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"People who succeed have momentum. The more they succeed, the more they want to succeed, and the more they find a way to



## AL JUNIORS SCHOOL FELICITATES THE HIGH PERFORMERS IN THE BOARD EXAMINATION 2020

A virtual ceremony was held to felicitate the students of grade X and XII who passed out with high scores in the board examination held in March 2020

In Science stream out of 29 students, 69% of the students scored 80% and above and in Commerce stream out of 18 students 40% of the students secured 80% and above.

Tesa Rose Sunny tops the school with 95% marks, Safa mohammad Khasim with 94.4% stands second and Rehab Mohammad Jamali with 93.6% secured third position in Science stream. Yashika Subnani is the topper in the school with 96.2%, Umme Habiba stood second with 90.6% and Siddharth Lakhani secured third position with 90% marks in Commerce stream.

In grade X 72 students appeared for the examination out of which 34 students secured 80% and above. Joel Josy topped at the school level with 96.6% marks followed by Caron Chacko and Leksmi Vikas with 96 %, and Riya Aji secured 95.8 % of marks.

#### Here is the complete list of students who were honoured

#### Grade 10

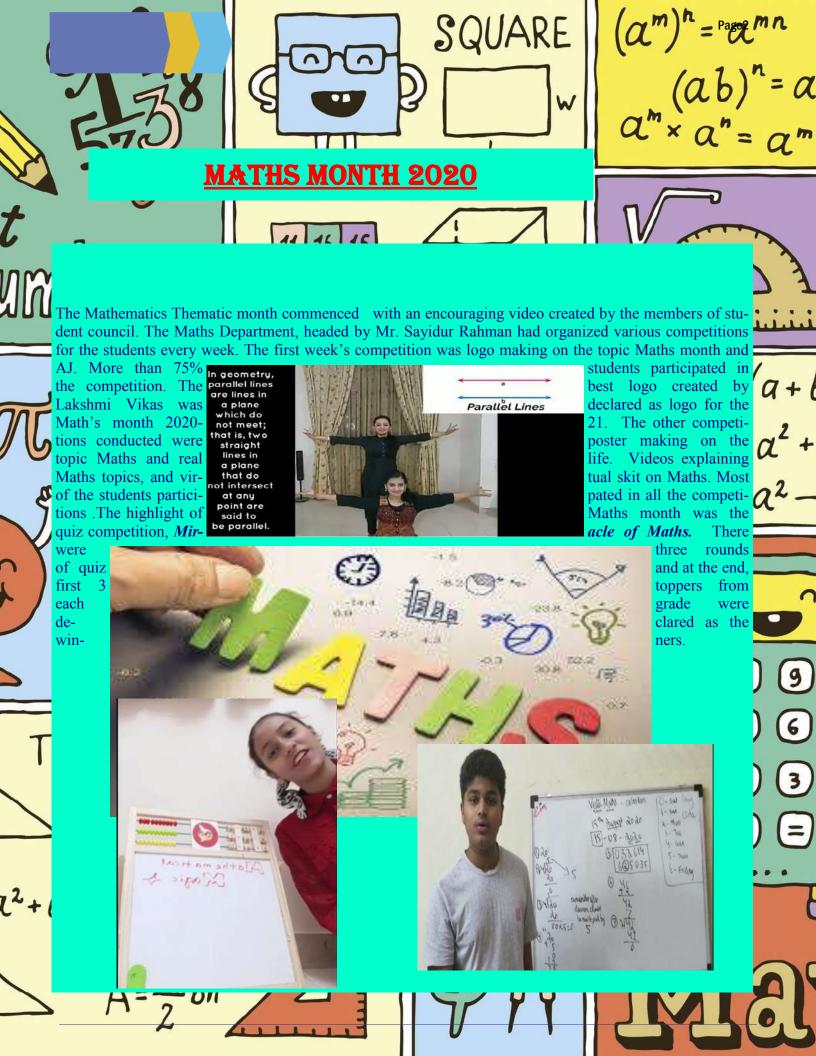
SI No	Name	Gen- der	%	Criteria
1	JOEL JOSY	Boy	96.6	Subject Topper Science and Hindi
2	CARON CHACKO	Girl	96	Subject Topper Maths Basic and French
3	LAKSHMI VIKAS	Girl	96	Subject Topper Malayalam Subject Topper Science
4	RIYA AJI PUTHIYAMADOM VARGHESE	Girl	95.8	
5	FADIYA MUJEEB REHUMAN MU- HAMMED	Girl	95.6	Subject Topper Malayalam
6	AYISHA JAMALUDHEEN NOUSHAD	Girl	95.6	Subject Topper Malayalam
7	DANIEL BIJU JOSEPH	Boy	94.8	
8	SAIF MOHAMMED THASVEER	Boy	93.8	Subject Topper standard Maths and Malayalam
9	DEEBA ZAMEERUDDIN	Girl	93	
10	JINIT BHARATKUMAR SADHWANI	Boy	91.6	Subject Topper Hindi
11	RIFA BAHURUDEEN ALI AHAMED	Girl	91.2	
12	ADNAN SAMEER AHMED	Boy	91	Subject Topper English (100)
13	MRINAL SOOD	Boy	90.8	
14	AHSAN ABDULLAH RIYAS	Boy	90.4	
15	MARIAH ABDUSSALAM KHALIFA	Girl	90.2	Subject Topper French
16	SUMAYYAH SUBAKATHULLA	Girl	90.2	Subject Topper French
17	SHIVANI THANDARETH KUNNUMMAL	Girl	89.8	Subject Topper Social

#### Grade 12 (Commerce )

SI		Gen-		
No	Name	der	%	Criteria
				Al Ain Topper( Marketing )
1	YASHIKA SUBNANI	Girl	96.2	Subject Topper ( Accountancy , Business Studies)
	UMME HABIBA MOHAMMED SOLI-			
2	MUDDIN	Girl	90.6	
3	SIDDHARTH RAKESH LAKHANI	Boy	90	Al Ain Topper( Economics )
4	NEELIMA VINOD KUMAR	Girl	89.2	Al Ain Topper (English)

#### Grade 12 (Science)

SI No	Name	Gen- der	%	Criteria
1	TESA ROSE SUNNY	Girl	95	Al Ain Topper English Physics Sub Topper Chemistry
2	SAFA MOHAMMED KHASIM	Girl	94.4	Al Ain Topper Physics Biology
3	REHAB MOHAMMAD JAMALI	Girl	93.6	Al Ain Topper Psychology
4	HAFIL MOHAMED JAMAL MOHAMED SAIB	Boy	93	Al Ain Topper Physics Biology Sub Topper Chemistry
5	AMEEN MOHAMMED	Boy	92	Al Topper Comp Science Sub topper Maths
6	HAFIS MOHAMED	Boy	91.8	Al Ain Topper Physics Sub Topper Chemistry
7	MAREEN BIJU GEORGE	Girl	91.6	Al Ain Topper English Physics Sub Topper Chemistry
8	DRISTI NARAINDAS	Girl	90.6	Al Ain Topper Physics Sub Topper Chemistry





It is a proud moment to Al Ain Juniors School as we released the third book, "Sonder", a collection of stories coauthored by our novice writers Caron Chacko, Ansu Varghese and Jeslyn Benoi, grade 11 students of Indian system on 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 2020. Managing Director, Ms Thanveer Arshad along with the chairman, Principal, Vice principal and many other dignitaries were kind enough to grace this occasion by releasing the book

We at Al Ain Juniors School foster and promote untapped potentials in every child. We feel proud to give good young writers to the English Literature in the past two continuous years. First in this row was when the Collection of Poerty 'Labrinthine' coauthored by Miss Fahima Mubarak and Wafa Noufal was published in the year 2019. Then in the month of February, 2020 we also published another collection of poetry 'Seraphim' by Caron Chacko who is still a student at Al Ain Juniors School studying in Grade 11. On 22<sup>nd</sup> October.2020 we published yet another book 'Sonder, A chronicle of Hope' a collection of Short Stories for everyone to read and reflect, coauthored by Ansu Varghese, Jeslyn Benoi, and Caron Chacko of

grade 11.



'Sonder' means a realisation that every passerby is living a life that is as vivid and complex as you own. The book written by these three young talented writers of Al Ain Juniors school, Jeslyn Benoi, Ansu Varghese, and Caron Chacko, express thoughts, those are intrinsic and intriguing to every human mind. 12 stories, touching the hard and soft throbs of every human heart, speak about three different perceptual understanding of life experienced and reflected. Some of the highlighted themes are co-existence, love, hope and optimism. Thus, Sonder, A chronicle of Hope, is a good read for every group of readers.





#### **Heroes with Stories Untold**

by Gauri Nanda 8B

"This is the story of the untold warriors in the world, not just the police or even the army.
Those people who everywhere but nowhere at the same time, Those people who come and go in the blink of an eye.
This is the story of those people, who protect us from evil, without any recognition or fame.

These are those saviors who go unnamed. Their missions seem small and unnoticeable, yet carry the safety of the nation on its back. Their tasks not easy or intermediate, they are the toughest nut to crack.

Their lives are lived in uncertainty, not sure if they'll see the sun rise the next day, For fear is an inhabitant in their mind, and it is here to stay.

Their missions risky and dangerous, but their attitudes are bright and bold, some of the heroes we owe so much to are those heroes with stories untold"



#### ADSC A MARATHON RACE AT AL AIN OASIS

Shivani T.K received  $1^{\rm st}$  place (under 17) in the 10 km Marathon race conducted by ADSC at Al Ain Oasis which took place on  $10^{\rm th}$  October 2020



Sumayyah Subakathula  $3^{rd}$  place (under 17) in the 5 km conducted race by ADSC at Al Ain Oasis which took place on  $10^{th}$  October 2020





#### **World Scholars Cup Couch Camp 2.0**

Gauri, Niveditha and Sreenidhi 8B

Sreenidhi, Niveditha and Gauri from 8B participated in the World Scholars Cup Couch Camp 2.0 online, which lasted for a week starting from the 15<sup>th</sup> of October, 2020. People from all over the world including places like New Zealand, Australia, United States and a lot of people from South East Asia participated in the event. We participated in the first regional round in Al Ain in our school last year and won the overall champions in the juniors' category, and got a huge trophy.

Gauri here, to tell you about the collaborative writing and the individual challenge. We were given the collaborative topics on Thursday and we were given 48 hours to write about them. In the collaborative writing, each member does a piece of writing about different topics. This is the only writing task I have ever done which can truly be called a creative writing task, because here, they literally tell you to do whatever you want as long as it pertains to the topic. They don't give you any guidelines to stick to or strict marking schemes. Sreenidhi and I wrote essays, but they were drastically different in terms of presentation. Niveditha wrote a free verse poem with a logical yet unpopular idea.

We had the individual challenge quiz on Saturday. The challenge is just a multiple choice quiz about the subjects we had to learn about. Other than that, the only thing left to say is that we flunked the test horribly. Or so we thought.

Sreenidhi here, for the debates. We were given the debate topics 15 minutes before our debate. Since we were a group of three, we equally spilt the points of what we were going to say. The catch is that, we did do a lot of rebuttals, and I felt like we were really good at rebuttals! The First topic was "That geoengineering was ethical" we were the negative team, it was a hard round since we didn't know a lot about geoengineering, but, We won! The second topic was the "that war should be emphasized when teaching history". We were the affirmative. We felt like it was a good topic and we won! The last topic "judges should have the power to pardon" and we were affirmative. We had a good amount of points and won!

Niveditha here, for the team bowl. We had team bowl on Sunday after the debates .Team

Bowl is basically just like a normal quiz competition but way more interactive and had a lot of thinking- out-ofthe-box questions. It was conducted on an app called Socrative. We were given a curriculum to learn from. Most
of the questions were based on it, but they were asked indirectly like through movie, songs and meme references
that our generation is used to. It was way more enjoyable that way. We thought that we flunked the bowl just like
we did in the challenge but read on to find out more.

Now for the results. Shockingly, we won first in the challenge with our total scores in the entire juniors' category. We were also 3<sup>rd</sup> in the junior category for team writing, team bowl and even the team debate. Everything was a major shock, since we lost hope in the team bowl and the team challenge. The surprises just continued when we found out that all three of us got 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the juniors for individual debate scores. Sreenidhi got 3<sup>rd</sup>, Gauri got 4<sup>th</sup> and I got 6<sup>th</sup> in the individual challenge. All of us were in the top 50% for individual writing and Gauri got 4<sup>th</sup>. In the overall individual champion scholars, Gauri was 6<sup>th</sup>, Sreenidhi was 5<sup>th</sup> and I was 4<sup>th</sup>! We ended up being 2<sup>nd</sup> overall team's champions in the entire junior category. Well, at the end of the day the most priceless thing we got from all of this was time we spend with each other and the wonderful memories that will last a life time!!!

#### THE SHARJAH EXCELLENCE AWARD FOR EDUCATION

It's once again a great news for Al Ain Juniors School that Seetha Lekshmi Kishore of Grade 7 Indian system was declared winner of The Sharjah Excellence Award for Education. Her immediate reaction on hearing the news was. "It is hard to put my feeling into words. Nevertheless, I am very glad to show my gratitude for such an important and momentous occasion in my life."

Seetha Lekshmi says it is the immense hard work of her family, the teachers of Al Ain Juniors School especially Humera Sharief, Vice principal, Mrs. Smitha Rajesh, Mrs. Ruby Anand, and Mr. <u>Hussain</u> has enabled her to win this prestigious award. She is overwhelmed with joy on receiving this award for her hadr and dedicated work.

On the last note she adds, "I want to encourage more students to take part in competitions and improve themselves. Preparing for this award has chiseled my capabilities and made me into a better version of myself. I hope to grow more and be humbled by my achievement.







"There is a powerful driving force inside every human being that, once unleashed, can make any vision, dream, or desire a reality."

- Anthony Robbins

### GLOBAL WEBINAR 2020—Food Sustainability and Security

#### Riya Aji 11 A



Al Ain Juniors School was invited to participate in the Global Webinar on Food Sustainability and Security organized by Private International English School Abu Dhabi on the occasion of Arab Environment Day. The webinar was conducted on Zoom on 14th October 2020, Wednesday. The teacher-in-charge of the event was Ms Annie Suresh. The main highlight of the event was the two-panel discussions about various sustainability issues.

From our school, I, Riya Aji, got the opportunity to attend the second-panel discussion on the topic, 'Technological Development in food sustainability: A green light?'

The webinar was indeed very informative and motivational according to me. For each panel discussion, there were 2 moderators and 6 panelists. The panel discussion went very well. Each panelist put forward their opinions and perspectives which forced us to brainstorm and come to a conclusion. The question that whether technological developments were beneficial and sustainable was put forward. Various solutions and alternatives were suggested by each panelist leading to a productive and successful panel discussion. The panel discussion made me think and research a lot about various sustainability issues around the world. I learnt a lot from my fellow panelists as well as the moderator. I would like to use this opportunity to thank the school, teachers in charge and the moderator for creating such a platform to discuss the trivial issues around the world.

