



ISSUE ELEVEN - 7TH MARCH 2019

JC Newsletter

Message from The Principal



On Monday the Jumeirah College community was shaken by the tragedy of the death of Shibin Thomas. Shibin had worked at the school as part of our administration and support team for seven years. He was a quiet man, but one who was always smiling and encouraging others. Shibin was a husband and father and one of his many passions was his love for cricket. Shibin worked tirelessly in support of the school and our students. He was also a very close friend to many of the staff at the school.

Over the last three days we have focussed on supporting all members of the community as we all grieve and come to terms with what has happened. Counsellors have been at the school to speak to students and staff, and this has included counsellors who are fluent in both Urdu and Hindi to ensure everyone has had the opportunity to speak in their home language. Assemblies have also been held with every year group to reflect on events and to discuss how we can begin to carry on. I have always known that the core strength of the school is our community and how we look after each other, irrespective of year group, background or role. This sense of togetherness is unquestionably being tested at the moment, but I know that we will carry on and move forward together.

This newsletter marks the start of our memorial to Shibin. We are placing a Book of Remembrance in reception to enable messages to be passed on to Shibin's family. I have been very grateful for the many ideas students and parents have suggested on how we can remember Shibin and support his friends here. This will be our focus moving forward.

I would like to thank everyone who has reached out to offer condolences and support over the last few days. I have been genuinely overwhelmed by the messages that we have received from not only parents and friends but also from both the national and international education community. Shibin's family and friends are continually in our thoughts and prayers at this difficult time.

Mr Simon O'Connor



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IMPORTANT DATES:

IA SILVER TREK: 7TH - 9TH MARCH

Y13 FRIENDSHIP PHOTOS: 10TH
MARCH, 11.00-1.00PM

Y11 PTC: 11TH MARCH, 3.30PM -
7.00PM

JCP PARENT QUIZ NIGHT: 13TH
MARCH, 7.00PM START AT DOSC

STAFF PD DAY (COLLEGE CLOSED TO
STUDENTS): 14TH MARCH

Y7 PTC: 20TH MARCH, 3.30PM -
7.00PM

JCP TRASH TO CASH: 22ND MARCH,
8.00AM - 11.00AM

Y9 PTC: 25TH MARCH, 3.30PM -
7.00PM

JC Retro Sports Day

Following on from the Sixth Form retro games on Sports Day, the lower school recently held their own set on races, including the egg and spoon race, sack race and skipping. Sina House reigned victorious with 8S2 as the overall champions.

Congratulations to **8S2**, who are the overall champions!

1st Place – Sina

Joint 2nd Place – Gibran and Majid

4th Place – Fihri



International Day

This year for International Day I ran a stall to represent my country: Singapore. There were eighteen other countries represented, including Austria, South Africa, Jordan, Iran, Bahrain, New Zealand, and China. China won 'best stall' and it was obvious as to why: the amount of decorations they had was impressive, with a huge five-starred red flag and Chinese calligraphy on the wall, as well as lanterns hanging near the pool.



Preparing for the Singapore stall was a challenge but running it was very enjoyable. We had many more visitors than I expected, with some even returning multiple times to take another *epok-epok*; a Malay flaky pastry snack filled with potato and chicken. I also didn't expect as many people to be interested in our Singlish quiz and game *capteh*.

This was a great experience for building confidence and organisation skills.

Alisha Noh, 10G1

Best stand: China (Zixen Alice Chen & Junda Chen, Year 7)

Student best dressed: Jonah Carstanjen (7G2)

Staff best dressed: Rasha Mahdy (Arabic Teacher)

International Day quiz winner: Omar Malik (10S2)



Thank you to those who donated recipes for **JC's International Cookbook**. It can be found on the D6 Communicator.



JC Well Being and Family Values



Do more of what
makes you
HAPPY!


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CHECK & REFLECT

Jumeirah College

This weekend, make
time to share a meal
together, whether
you cook together or
grab a takeaway!

Sharing a meal together
draws families closer
together emotionally, and
encourages conversation.





Jumeirah College Partnership (JCP)

Purchase tickets as a team or as an individual and join a table!

Can you beat the JC Senior Leadership Team?



Don't miss the fun!

**WEDNESDAY
13TH MARCH**

**DUBAI OFFSHORE
SAILING CLUB
(DOSC)
JUMEIRAH BEACH ROAD**



➤ Ticket Price: AED 100
(includes dinner)

➤ Refreshments available at the venue
at additional payment

➤ Gate Entry Fee: AED 20
(for non-members of DOSC)

➤ Doors Open: 7.00pm
(7.30pm start)

**ADVANCE PURCHASE OF TICKETS IS ESSENTIAL
FROM JC RECEPTION
NO TICKETS SOLD AT THE VENUE**

If you can donate a prize for the event, please contact
Mrs Richards (PRE): g.richards_jcd@gemsedu.com



Jumeirah College Partnership (JCP)



Upcoming JCP Events:

Quiz Night:


Wednesday 13th March
Dubai Offshore Sailing Club (DOSC),
from 7.00pm
(contact Reception to purchase tickets
100AED pp & 20AED entry fee for
non-DOSC members)

Trash to Cash:



Friday 22nd March
8.00am-11.00am
(contact Reception to reserve a table
at 75AED each)

Talk from Psychologist Dr Rashmi 'Helping students cope with stress':

Tuesday 26th March
8.00am - 9.30am



by Dr. Sarah Rasmi



**FACILITATED BY
Dr. Sarah Rasmi
www.thrive.ae**

Dr. Sarah Rasmi is a licensed psychologist and managing director of Thrive Wellbeing Centre. She is also a professor at the American University of Sharjah.

**March 26th, 2019 at 8am
Jumeirah College**

A FREE PARENT SEMINAR

TACKLING TEST ANXIETY: STRATEGIES FOR NAVIGATING ACADEMIC PRESSURES

Easy-to-implement strategies to help your children deal with anxiety during exams and manage academic pressures.



**TRASH TO CASH
FRIDAY 22ND MARCH
8.00AM – 11.00AM
JC CAR PARK**

DONATIONS NEEDED

(Used or Unwanted Household Goods/Toys/Clothes)
PLEASE BRING DONATIONS INTO
RECEPTION PRIOR TO THE EVENT



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Notices

SILC Student Leadership Conference Dubai - Four Seasons Jumeirah Beach March 23rd 2019

Open to all Students aged 12-17; The SILC International Student Leadership Conference is coming to Dubai on 23rd March 2019 to the Four Seasons Jumeirah Beach Resort!

FULL DAY PACKAGE FROM 10:00-18:00 INCLUDING ALL WORKSHOPS, GAMES, SPECIAL GUESTS, CATERING, PARENT CAFE, PERSONAL LEARNING PLANS, CERTIFICATES AND MORE FOR 920 AED. LIMITED PLACES AVAILABLE!

To avail the discounted entry fee of 920 AED use the **discount code**
GEMSJCDUBAI2019A when registering.

For further information, visit: www.conference.silcacademy.com



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Tailgating puts innocent lives in danger.**

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Saturday Music

GEMS Wellington Academy,
Silicon Oasis

The Saturday Ensembles are free of charge
for GEMS students!

Ensembles:

- ♫ String Ensemble
- ♫ Wind Band
- ♫ Orchestra
- ♫ Choir



We also offer
beginner group
lessons on:

- ♫ Flute
- ♫ Clarinet
- ♫ Trumpet
- ♫ Violin
- ♫ Guitar

For more information
please contact:
music@deltalearning.ae



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English Language Spring Camp

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for children aged 4-15 years old.

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- Individual & collaborative learning opportunities
- Showcase at end of every block
- Certification awarded upon completion
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- Native English teachers will deliver the course
- Transport available*

Camp Information

- 31st March - 11th April (weekdays)
- 9:00am - 12:00pm
- AED 2,100 (per block | 2 weeks - 10 days | Sunday - Thursday)
- GEMS Wellington Int'l School, Al Sufouh

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052 668 3638

* Transport Terms & Conditions apply



Music Group Beginner lessons
Saturday Academy, Term 3, April 2019
GEMS Wellington Academy, Silicon Oasis



Want to learn to play the Flute, Trumpet, Clarinet, Violin or Guitar?

We offer group Beginner lessons on Flute, Trumpet, Clarinet, Violin and Guitar!

- ♫ **Dates:** Saturday 27 April, 4 May, 11 May, 18 May, 25 May, 1 June, 15 June (7 weeks)
- ♫ **Times:**

Guitar: 9am-10am, 10:15am-11:15am and 11:30am-12:30pm

Flute: 9am-10am and 10:15am-11:15am

Clarinet: 9am-10am

Trumpet: 10:15am-11:15am

Violin: 9am-10am, 10:15am-11:15am, 11:30am-12:30pm, 12:45pm-1:45pm
and 2pm-3pm

- ♫ **Cost:** 490aed for the 7 week course. All fees are payable in full at the first session.
- ♫ Own instrument required for the guitar course only. All other instruments provided.

Places are limited! Contact music@deltalearning.ae to reserve your place!