MAR QARDAKH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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"Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom His favor rests." — Luke 2:14

Ms. Hala Warda - Head of School

The Christmas season is a time both to reflect with gratitude on the accomplishments of the past semester and to look forward to the new year. This month, it has been a pleasure to see the results of our students learning through activities such as the literature exhibition and the math fair. Even greater, however, has been the joy in seeing the many ways our school community celebrated the birth of Christ, reminding us that all our learning is ultimately ordered towards Him.

We are truly grateful for the essential support of the parents and teachers, whose consistent commitment sustains the success of our students each day. Their partnership makes possible not only academic achievement, but also the moral and spiritual formation that remains central to our school's mission. In the mystery of the Incarnation, which we recall especially during this time, we are reminded that God enters the world in humility and love, offering a model of service that we strive to reflect at Mar Qardakh each day.

We pray that the graces of the Christmas season may carry us into a new year filled with learning and hope.

EY CHRISTMAS CHARITY SHOP

Our Early Years students brought their classroom learning to life by organizing a Christmas Charity Shop, inspired by their lessons on sharing, responsibility, and helping others. Parents and the school community were invited to take part in this meaningful initiative. From arranging items to welcoming visitors, each step allowed students to practice caring for others and taking responsibility in a real and joyful setting.

TEACHERS VS. STUDENTS: BASKETBALL MATCH

Our MYP teachers joined MYP and HS students for a friendly match, reflecting our school's commitment to promoting physical well-being for both students and staff. The game created a wonderful space for interaction, teamwork, and open communication beyond the classroom.

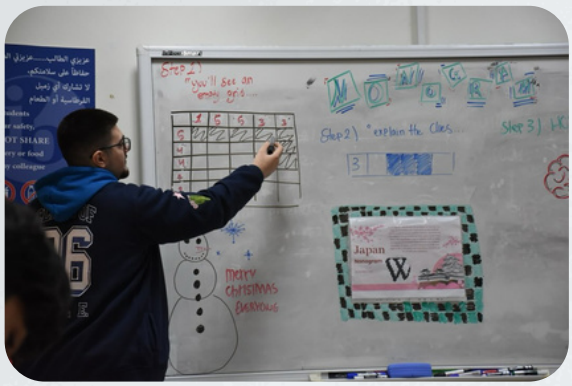
BILINGUAL LITERATURE EXHIBITION

Our MYP and High School students hosted a bilingual English–Arabic exhibition that brought stories off the page and onto the stage. To prepare, teams chose their books early in the semester, researched the time period, and wrote short performance scripts. They rehearsed roles, designed costumes, and created simple props using materials from home and school. On exhibition day, each group presented their story in character, narrating in both English and Arabic through interactive booths. The event was planned and delivered by students, making reading an engaging and shared experience for the school community.

MATH AROUND THE WORLD AT MQIS!

On Monday, our MYP students participated in a Math Fair hosted by Mr. JR and our High School 2 students. They learned about mathematical contributions from around the globe while playing math games originating from places including Japan, China, and Ancient Mesopotamia. Our creative students also showcased their artistic talent through a global math-themed door-decorating competition.

At MQIS, our students get to interact with subjects in fun and engaging ways through subject fairs and exhibitions!



TINY HANDS, BIG CREATIVITY

Our Pre-EY students had a wonderful time creating their own delicious pizzas! With little hands and big ideas, they spread toppings, shaped their designs, and turned a simple activity into a moment full of imagination and pride. Pizza-making helped them explore creativity, practice motor skills, and enjoy teamwork in a fun, hands-on way. The smiles said it all—yummy learning, creative thinking, and memories made with joy!

HS GUEST SPEAKER

HS2 welcomed guest speaker Dr. Ghaith Al-Abdallah for a lecture in Business and Economics, enriching students' understanding of real-world concepts. During the session, Dr. Ghaith connected theory to practice, using local and global business cases to deepen understanding. The lecture supported classroom learning by providing practical insights into economics and decision-making in real markets.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sports tournament
Science fair

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