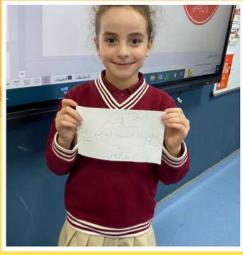


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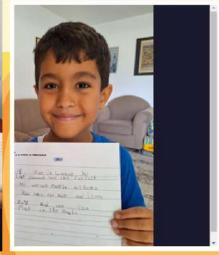
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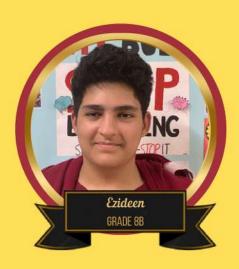












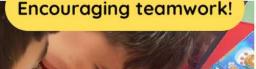




AMERICAN Student Well Being - Zero

Period

During the zero period, our focus remains steadfast on the cultivation of student well-being, ensuring their flourishing both academically and emotionally. We engage in substantive dialogues concerning pivotal occasions such as Eid or Earth Day, whilst revisiting school policies, regulations, and mandates to fortify a conducive learning milieu. Furthermore, we take great pride in reinforcing within students a profound appreciation for the national identity of the UAE, fostering a sense of belonging and cultural reverence. Through experiential activities centered around significant events and moral principles such as honesty, perseverance, and ethics, our endeavor is to comprehensively support student well-being, empowering them to mature into confident and empathetic individuals.

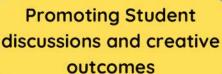


Raising awareness at young ages

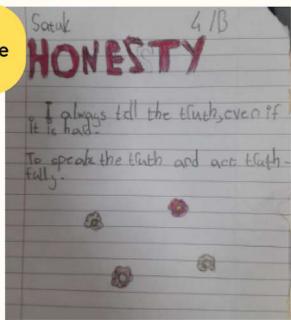
What is Autism?

Autism is a difference in the way a kid's brain develops. Kids with autism may have trouble understanding the world around them.

ASD is a complex neurodevelopmental disorder that affects how individuals perceive and interact with the world around them.







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Empathy



Honesty

Grit



























iOS Design Challenge

The iOS design challenge is a challenge hosted by Apple and Sandook Alwatan, students Iris (7A),Maryam(7A), Aarav(8A) created an app prototype to help with sustainability and climate action. During this journey these students learnt how to design an app by Apple's engaging Learning Management System (LMS) and learnt that designing is not just coming up with ideas. There is planning and taking small other steps to gather everything they want to add, and then comes the actual designing which also takes a long time and a lot of hard work.



Environment Story Telling - Grade 8

Janna and Tasneem, Eco Club members from grade 8A, captivated grade 1A with heartwarming, animal-friendly Through storutelling and clay modeling, they instilled love for the environment and its creatures. Their initiative not only promoted eco-awareness but also showcased leadership and the compassion within school community.





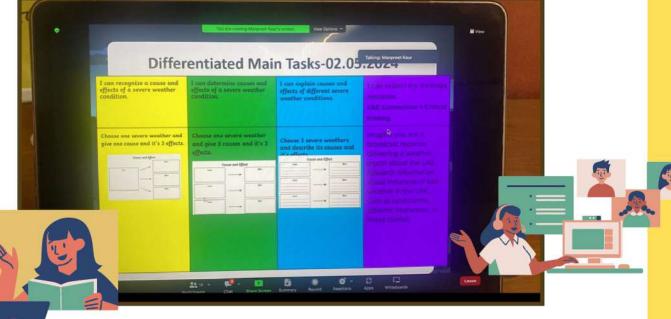
Rain or Shine :

zooming to Success



Nothing can stop MAS students from studying, not even rain or any other obstacle, here is a sneak peak at the Zoom Sessions



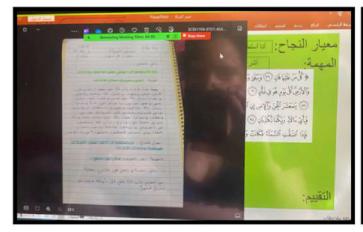


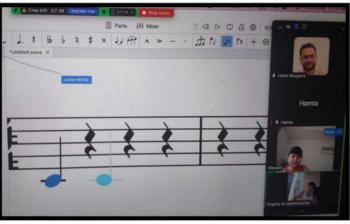


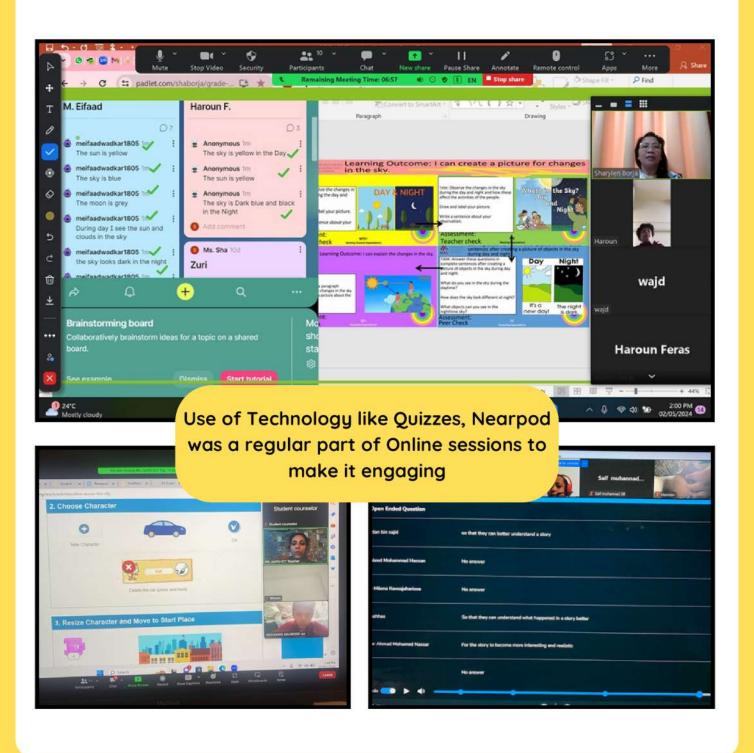
Observe the students diligently displaying their work and diligently engaged in writing. They exemplify a commitment to excellence, striving to perform at their best













MAS Author of the Month -Janna AbdelRahman

Distance Unfold the Truth

~Essay by Janna AbdelRahman

Amina, my childhood best friend, and I had countless adventures together ever since we were in diapers. We were always together, and we even watched each other grow up. We shared secrets, matched everything, built forts, told secrets, had sleepovers, and always went to the same schools. Nevertheless, thunder always strikes the happy moments in our lives eventually. Amina had to move to Italy, and everything had to change. Despite the ugly truth though, I thought our bond was strong enough to endure any distance, thus, it ended in a blink of an eye.

As a rule, we promised to always stay in touch, and won't let the distance and ruin the bond, even though UAE timings are 3 hours earlier than Italy. "Pinky Promise me, promise me, that no matter who we meet, we will always be each other's number one, just like always.", spoke Amina with tears shedding from her eyes. "Of course Amina, you're my sister and you will always be my number 1.", I replied. Keeping the promise, we called and chatted all the time, and our friendship endured the distance. The school was hard and boring without Amina, but I still looked up to the late-night calls we had. We would share all the drama with the new people we met. Three years passed by, and it was still the same cycle. I go to school, come home, do my homework, be on call with Amina, and sleep. However, with all the calls I had with her, it would always be about the same topic. It would always be about the new girl she met, Lamita, and how close they got within just a few minutes. Not like I was jealous or anything, but I felt as if I'm being replaced. One night, I confronted her, thinking that if we talked it out, I would thwart the terrible event of being replaced. "Amina, why is it always Lamita you talk about when we are on call? You hardly ever ask about my day nor how school is.". "Oh! Are you jealous now?" she replied with a weird tone. All of a sudden, I felt as if a river would shed out of my eyes, "No! I'm just asking and telling you the truth about how I feel.". She went quiet for a while, then closed the call, and I knew that my thoughts of being replaced soon were about to happen.

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Yet I still chose to live in my lies and believed that everything would be fine.

As the days passed by, Amina and I hadn't called ever since that night. I didn't blame her, finals were coming up and we all were busy studying. Besides, during summer break we would have all the time to chat and text. After weeks of hard work and all-nighters, the school year finally came to an end. I was finally ready to wake up whenever I wanted, chat and call Amina all day, and stay up late at night. As I walked through my house door, I heard my mom's yelling. I rushed to see what was wrong just to find her jumping up and down holding flight tickets. Not as if money was tight, but we normally spent summer breaks in UAE and stayed in hotels, restaurants, and beaches. "OMG! Where will we spend this summer, Mom?!" I asked with excitement, in reality, I hoped for the word "Italy" as her answer, not just to see Amina again, but to visit Italy too, it is my dream country after all. "I'm finally able to ask for a long vacation from my job, and I wanted to make this summer special for you, so I booked our tickets to Italy!!", as she finished her sentence, I jumped around the house feeling very excited about everything, "Pack your bags we are leaving in two weeks", "I'll pack 4 bags, is that enough?" "That's more than enough now go get packing!, little did I know, the unexpected events would ruin it all.

The day finally arrived, and I was greeted with warm smiles and hugs from Amina's mom. After unpacking, we both threw ourselves onto her bed and caught up on everything. We reminisced about our shared past, and everything felt just like it used to be. It felt like she never left. Days kept going, and we visited all the cool tourist places in Italy, went to the beach where each wave made my smile wider and mind calmer, ate the best cuisines and each bite was like a warm touch on my tongue, and went to several hotels. However, my joy was disturbed by my overthinking, and I began to notice a subtle shift in Amina's behavior. It was like she lost interest in all the things we used to like and do together. For instance, when we were at the beach, I asked her if she wanted to have a sandcastle competition like the old times. "Amina, let's have a sandcastle competition, the winner gets to pick out the loser's food in the buffet!", "Oh? I'm sorry Janna, but I've grown old now, these are just silly games we played when we were babies. Let's take photos instead.". Her words were like a sledgehammer to my heart, crushing it with every letter, leaving it in bits. "Yeah, you're right. Sure, let's take some by the sunset, it's pretty."





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I replied while trying to recover from her words. At last, we finally went back to the hotel room, the sunset painted the sky in vibrant hues of orange, pink, and purple, causing the breathtaking scene, and the warm final rays of the sun were casting a golden glow over us.

As we sat on the porch admiring the sunset, I decided to share something personal with her, something I could never get myself to talk about. "You know, Amina," I began hesitantly, "I've been going through a tough time lately, my dad is being distant and my mom and he always fight, they might get into a divorce." Amina looked at me with a distant expression, and for a moment, I felt a wave of discomfort. "Oh, that's tough," she replied vaguely, her eyes scanning the horizon. It was an unexpected response from someone who had always been my guide. For some reason, my trust in her felt like a wilting flower, slowly losing its petals and fading away, and after that, it was just an awkward moment between us, we didn't speak, just admired the sky. Sadly, later that night, I heard a cacophony coming from Amina's room. She was on call with Lamita, and to my dismay, my name came up, "OMG! Janna hasn't changed, she is still the whiny girl I hung out with when I was young, she doesn't want to grow up. She even whined to me about how her parents fought and might get a divorce!" said Amina with anger in her voice, "Oh god, why is she telling you these things, did she think you could fix her issues?"Lamita replied to her. I stood there in tears, and I couldn't believe mu ears, I knew it would happen, but I still chose to trust her, and she proved she wasn't worth it either way.

As I confronted Amina about it, "Why would you share my private struggles with someone else?" I asked, my voice tinged with disappointment. She looked away, avoiding eye contact. "I didn't think it was a big deal," she baffled, her words falling flat. "But it was a big deal to me," I insisted, my eyes shedding in tears. Never expected this minor event to be a thunderstorm, raining over all my happy memories. The weight of disappointment lingered, our friendship had ended from the test of time and distance and crumbled under the weight of betrayal and broken trust. I knew all along that it would happen any day after we separated, yet I still kept denying the truth, I still chose to stretch the trust and tell lies. No matter how hard I tried, I couldn't believe it. My sadness was like heavy rain clouds, hanging over my heart and casting shadows, each shadow was a memory of the sad reality. I couldn't fathom how Amina chose Lamita, someone she met for half a year, over a lifetime of friendship.

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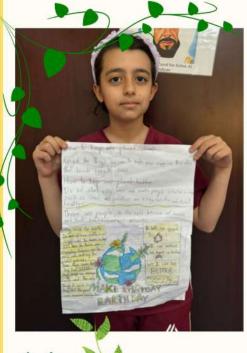
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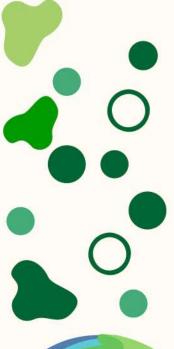
Eventually, I accepted the truth, our friendship's lies were unfolded by the distance between us. I buried our memories, in a sanctuary area, leaving behind our laughter that filled in the air. Moreover, my trust in forever-lasting friendships was no longer a thing, I learned my lesson. No matter how close I was with a friend, I made sure to never overshare and trust. No matter how close or how much you love, people still can't be trusted, and friendships will always be crushed to bits in the end.



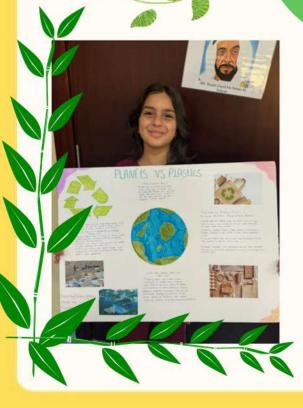






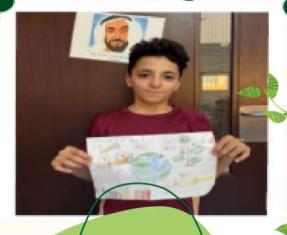






Students across the school researched about the Theme:
Planet Vs. Plastics and made posters.





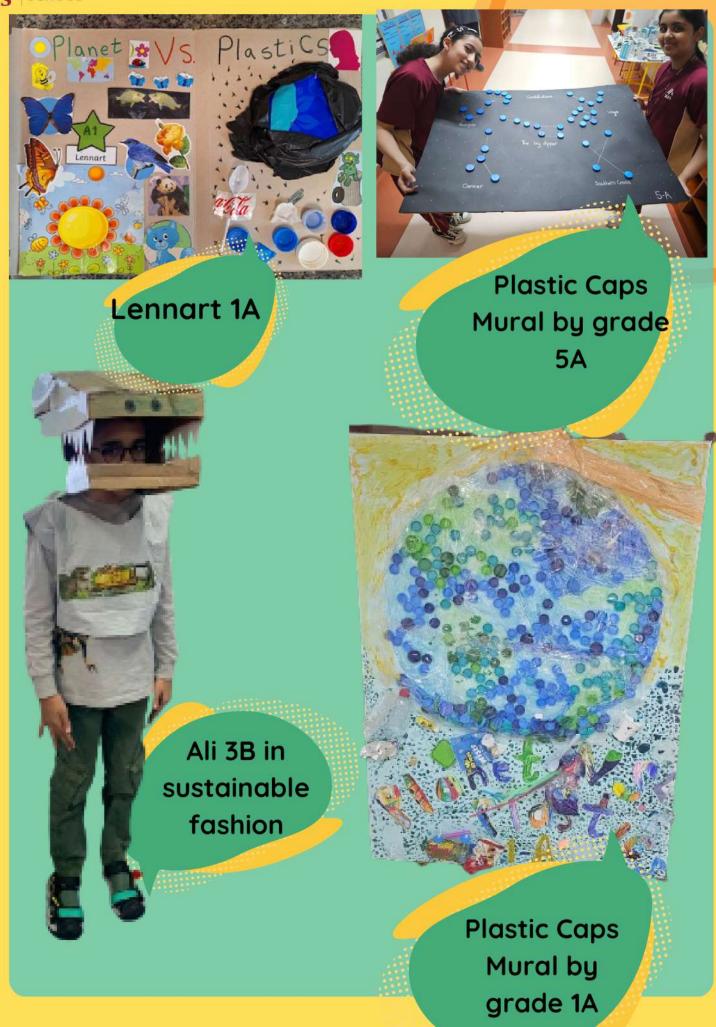
Students of 4B
with their
posters on the
theme - Planet
Vs. Plastics













Recycling Drive



At Manthena American School, we collaborated with Kiswa Company for a successful recycling drive, embodying our commitment to sustainability. Together, we fostered environmental awareness and made a positive impact in our student community.











The clothes which are not fit for donation - can be recycled to make carpets or to make new textiles





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Climate change & landfill spaces caused by textile waste.

Thank you once again for giving us the opportunity to be your destination to sustainability and grateful for your support, time and efforts.





Mental Math Competition

Winners List

We applaud and recognize our triumphant students in Mental Math Competition

Mental Math Winners		
Fares Amjad 1A	Khalid I 1 A	Mela 1A
Farida Mustafa 1A	Laila 1A	Sara Awaidah 3B
Haroun 1A	Manhoor 1A	Preetam 4B
Karim 5B	Jennah GA	Hala GA
Mariam B GA	Ward I7B	









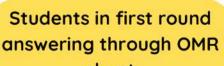


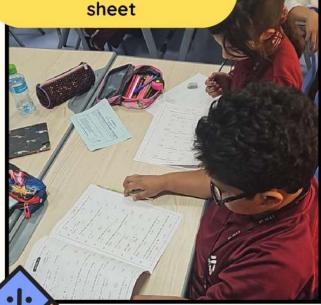


Mental Math Competition



The Mental Mathematics Competition, orchestrated by Ignited Minds, stands as a premier national-level event in the realm of mental arithmetic. Participants undergo rigorous assessment via a challenging written examination to secure qualification for the national stage. This competition serves as a catalyst for enhancing both speed and precision in fundamental mathematical operations, while also fostering a heightened interest among students in the discipline.





Students practicing for the finals



Students of grade 1A who qualified to the Nationals





Partnership with John Von Neumann University

Middle and High School students recently participated in a university collaboration event at the Dubai Knowledge Park conference center, where they gained valuable insights into cutting-edge technologies such as Artificial Intelligence, Automotive Vehicle Technology, and Hydro Power Technology. The event was graced by the presence of Mr. Ravi Verma, Vice President of MNR Group, adding prestige to the occasion













Student Outcomes



Students at Manthena American School regularly engage in challenging activities and real-life applications, fostering the creation of creative outputs such as blog posts, posters, PowerPoint presentations, advertisements, etc. Take a look at some of these outputs!





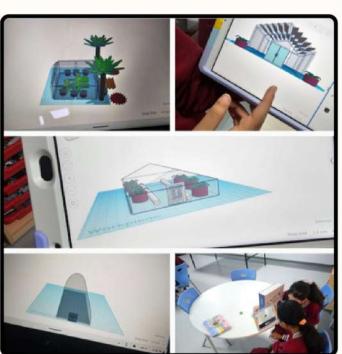


World Creativity And Innovation Day



On World Creativity Day, our students celebrated innovation by showcasing their coding projects, demonstrating the power of creativity in technology. Through their projects, they not only exhibited technical proficiency but also expressed their unique ideas and problem-solving skills, inspiring others to embrace creativity in all endeavors





On the left, snapshots of student projects made by Evan Hedra Grade 2B,Noor Ali Grade 7A, Asia Grade 2A, Abdullahi Ali Grade 6B. Congratulations to all the participants!

Special Mention to students of Grade 7A, Taqwa, Aya and Rose for showcasing their 3D designs (on the right) on green house and Aya 7A for her splendid stop Motion animation movie submission in Term 2.

Students creativity and Innovation is beyond our expectations at MAS.



Student Council Movie & Pajama Day

The illustrious Student Council orchestrated a Movie and Pajama Day throughout the entire expanse of the school. Adorned in their most cozy attire, the students luxuriated in their classrooms, indulging in the viewing of their cherished film. Subsequently, a pupil, adhering to the prescribed rubric, delivered a succinct synopsis. The entirety of this affair was skillfully managed by the distinguished members of the Student Council.







Student Council Movie & Pajama Day









Captivating Cinematic
Delight: Students Embrace
Relaxation and Movie on
Pajama Day!



From the Principal's Desk



Salam Aleykum Parents,

As a Team, we have worked toward continuous improvements to ensure all students progress.

We are continuing to maintain a positive learning environment and enhance all systems across the school.

We have been accepted as a Cognia Candidacy School and will complete full accreditation next academic year.

https://www.cognia.org/

We are excited to activate Student Council Events for Term 3:

- Pj Day & Movie Day Speech Competition,
- Charity Event & Carnival
- Story & Art Competition
- Trivia & Sports Competition Teachers Vs. Students.

We are working on setting up Graduations for KG1, KG2, Grade 5, & Grade 8. We will communicate the dates once confirmed.

We thank you for your continued support.

Forever Learning,

Mr.G.

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