

Newsletter

MANTHENA AMERICAN SCHOOL

RESPECT | TOLERANCE | INCLUSION | EXCELLENCE



A Note of Gratitude to the Manthena Community

As this inspiring year comes to a close, I want to thank the entire Manthena American School community for your unwavering support, encouragement, and belief in student leadership. Serving as President of the Student Council has been a true honour. From leading the monthly newsletter as Chief of Editor, to organizing Manthena's first-ever student-led event — the English Narrative Speech — mentoring Grades 3–5 in public speaking, and proudly representing our school as a volunteer in external events and competitions — every moment has shaped me into a stronger leader, learner, and communicator.

I'm especially proud of how Manthena opened doors for every student to get involved — from volunteering at major school events like STEAM, RoboVR, Art exhibitions, and Graduation, to leading awareness campaigns and participating in the Waste Warriors Club. Every student had the chance to contribute, lead, and grow.

This year has been more than a calendar of events — it's been a journey of heart, growth, and student voice. Thank you, Manthena, for making space for us to lead and shine.

With Gratitude, Lina Ashraf Elshikh Grade 9 President, Student Council | Chief editor for the newsletter
Thank you to my teachers, mentors, peers, and families — you've made this year unforgettable. Here's to even greater impact ahead.



GRADUATION

Pre-KG, KG and Grades 5 and 8



Graduation Day unfolded like a beautiful final chapter — filled with emotion, pride, and unforgettable moments. The stage shimmered under the lights as students took their places in elegant caps and flowing gowns, their smiles reflecting years of hard work and cherished memories. The air buzzed with excitement as heartfelt speeches echoed through the hall, and dazzling student performances lit up the stage with music, movement, and color. Every glance, every hug, and every cheer captured the spirit of a journey completed and the promise of new adventures ahead. It was more than a ceremony — it was a heartfelt farewell, a joyful celebration, and a shining send-off into the future.



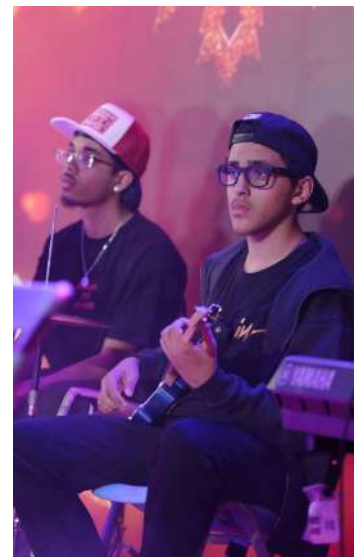
GRADUATION

Pre-KG, KG and Grades 5 and 8



GRADUATION

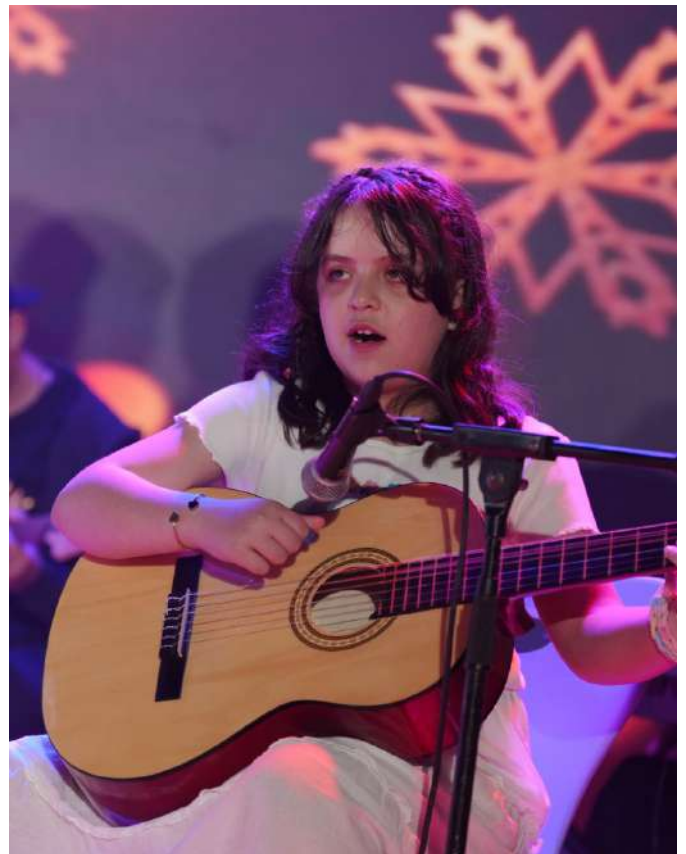
Pre-KG, KG and Grades 5 and 8



★ ★ KG Graduation ★ ★



★★ Grade 5 Graduation ★★



★★ Grade 8 Graduation ★★



Stars of The Month

APRIL



MANTHENA
AMERICAN
SCHOOL



Mohammad Habib
PRE KG A



Khadiga
PRE KG B



Mazen Fahad
KG1 A



Senanayaka
KG 1B



Emily
KG 1C



Marah
KG 1D



Salim Saeed
KG 2A



Lilian
KG 2B



Melaniia Burkova
KG 2C



Lin Mohamed Nasir
KG 2D



Liana Anas
Grade 1 A



Abullah Salah
Grade 1B



Kendah
Grade 1C



Muhammad Zayaam
Grade 2C



Heliya Havangi
Grade 2B



Emma Fathi
Grade 2A



Narjes Mahmood
Grade 3B



Alya Mahdi
Grade 3A



Liba Mahum
Grade 4C



Faris kamil
Grade 4B

Stars of The Month

APRIL



MANTHENA
AMERICAN
SCHOOL



Baraa mohammad
Grade 4A



Adam Jasem Bakir
Grade 5B1



Eyad Zaghdoudhi
Grade 5B2



Rida Adil
Grade 5G



Almira Munawar
Kashif
Grade 6G



Nimrah Zainab
Grade 7



Isha Mariyam
Grade 8



Salaam Mouzafar
Grade 9



Yara Khalil
Mohammad Yousef
Grade 10



Karim Mohamed
Elmetwalli
Grade 6B1



Yahit Habib
Grade 6B2



Marco Sebastian
Vega Garcia
Grade 7B



Omar Ahmed Bahman
Ibrahim Youssef
Grade 8B 1



Waliy oualim
Grade 8B2



Adinath Manikantan
Vasudev Manikantan
Grade 9B1



Eshaan Abdullah
Mansoor
Grade 9B2



Atif
Grade 10B1



Abdelrahman Nazar
Grade 10B2

Stars of The Month

MAY



MANTHENA
AMERICAN
SCHOOL



Mohammed Mahmoud
PRE KG A



Mahdi
PRE KG B



Zunairah Fatimah
KG1 A



Fares Simi
KG 1B



Muhammad Bakhit
KG 1C



Assiya
KG 1D



Jan
KG 2A



Hadi
KG 2B



Mark Radchenko
KG 2C



**Leemar Imran
Mahmoud**
KG 2D



Aryam Mohamed
Grade 1 A



Syed Khalil
Grade 1B



Youssef
Grade 1C



**Mehrnia Hamed
Mahmoudi**
Grade 2C



**Maryam Muhammad
Shanavas**
Grade 2B



**Mohammad Jonayed
Saddam**
Grade 2A



Mohamed Amir
Grade 3B



Naya syra sow
Grade 3A



Artin Hussain
Grade 4C



Mustafa Mohamed
Grade 4B

Stars of The Month

MAY



MANTHENA
AMERICAN
SCHOOL



Ahmed hamza
Grade 4A



**Abdelrahman Mohamed
Elfatih**
Grade 5B1



**Muhammed
Ahsan Abbas**
Grade 5B2



Roudha Khalid
Grade 5G



**Rama Zahra
Dakiche**
Grade 6G



Sumanah Maryam
Grade 7



Apoorva Renjith
Grade 8



Saja Alaa Ibrahim
Grade 9



**Rania Qutaiba Abbood
Alzaidy**
Grade 10



**Ilyas Abdikhadar
Omar**
Grade 6B1



Abdur Rahman
Grade 6B2



**Waseem Mohammad
Jamil Wazwaz**
Grade 7B



Davi Eufrazio Pinto
Grade 8B 1



**Adam Mahmood
Abdalh**
Grade 8B2



**Mohammad Reza
Massoum Ali**
Grade 9B1



**Mohammed Fuzail
Shariff**
Grade 9B2



Mahad Ali
Grade 10B1



Ibrahim Amin
Grade 10B2

Business Day

“

Our school's Business Day on 15th & 22nd May was an exciting and buzzing event!

”

Students from grades 9 and 10 turned into young entrepreneurs, setting up stalls filled with delicious food, trendy jewelry, creative crafts, and so much more. The entire school, from the youngest to the oldest, walked around exploring, buying, and enjoying the lively market-like atmosphere. Sellers had to think smart—investing wisely, attracting customers, and making a profit, just like real business owners. But the learning didn't stop there! After the event, each group had to create a detailed document showcasing how they built their brand, planned marketing strategies, and managed sales. With a set criterion to follow, they broke down every step of their journey, making it a complete business experience. It wasn't just about selling—it was about learning, teamwork, and having fun while doing it. A truly unforgettable day!



Arabic Competition



Manthena American School hosted its annual Arabic Language Competition, where students showcased their talents in poetry, speeches, and dramatic performances. The event celebrated the beauty of the Arabic language and our cultural heritage.

Manthena American School recently hosted its annual Arabic Language Competition, showcasing students' talents and passion for the Arabic language. Participants impressed the audience with powerful poetry, moving speeches, creative storytelling, and engaging dramatic performances—including beautifully sung Arabic songs.

The event was a celebration of culture, confidence, and creativity. Congratulations to all participants—and a big bravo to our winners!



Pajama Day

By: Lina Elshikh Grade 9C

On May 25th, 2025, our school community came together for a delightful and cozy celebration—Pajama Day! Students arrived at school in their favorite pajamas, onesies, and fuzzy slippers, filling the hallways with cheerful energy and creativity. The day was filled with excitement and smiles as students embraced the spirit of comfort and fun while continuing their morning classes in a relaxed, pajama-friendly atmosphere.



To wrap up the special day, students were treated to a movie screening during the last three periods of the day. Classrooms were transformed into mini theaters as students enjoyed age-appropriate films alongside their classmates and teachers. This well-deserved break allowed students to unwind, share laughter, and create lasting memories before the end of the academic year. A big thank you to our teachers and staff who helped organize this enjoyable event!



Eid Al Fitr

By: Isha Grade 8G

Eid Al-Fitr is a joyful festival that marks the end of the holy month of Ramadan. It is a time when Muslims come together to celebrate with prayers, feasts, and acts of kindness. At Manthana American School students learn the importance of gratitude, sharing, and community during this special occasion. The celebration helps promote cultural understanding and brings everyone together in the spirit of joy and unity.

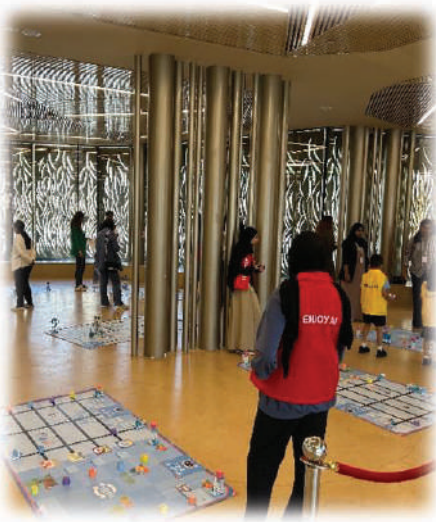


STEAM Championship

Manthana American School had outstanding achievements in the STEAM Champions Nationals!

Our school recently took part in the UAE's largest K-12 Robotics and AI Competition, which brought together over 600 students from 50+ schools. With more than 100 teams, the event challenged participants to solve real-world problems using robotics, AI, and drones. It was a powerful showcase of innovation, teamwork, and future-ready learning.





RoboVr Competition

By: Ritadj

I participated in the RoboVR competition, and it was an exciting and challenging experience. I was asked to program a smart car to move through a specific map and complete various tasks, such as avoiding obstacles like rocks, wood, and trucks, as well as paying attention to traffic lights and stopping when the light is red. At first, I faced some difficulties in adjusting the sensors and paths, but with practice and repeated adjustments, I was able to improve the programming and make the car act more intelligently. I felt proud when I saw the car successfully following the instructions. This competition was a great opportunity to learn more about artificial intelligence and programming logic, and I hope to participate in similar experiences in the future.



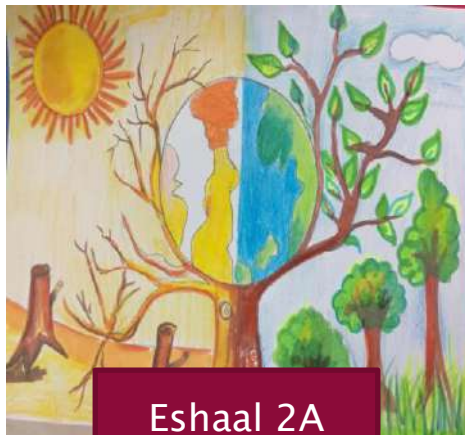
RoboVr Competition

By: Apoorva Grade 8G

The EEG Art Drawing Competition is a fun and inspiring event that encourages students to explore important environmental themes through art. It fosters creativity, self-expression, and awareness, allowing young minds to connect with nature and sustainability in a colourful and imaginative way. Through this competition, students not only enjoy showcasing their artistic talents but also learn to care more deeply about the world around them.



Amina 2C



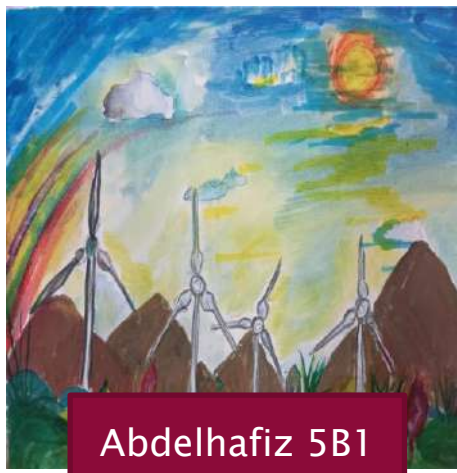
Eshaal 2A



Wassyla 1A



Tasneem 4B



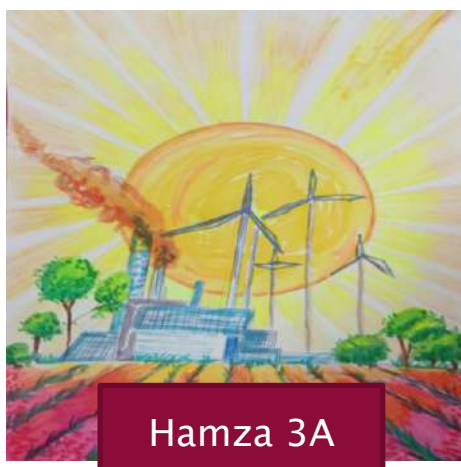
Abdelhafiz 5B1



Jonayed 2A



Nilya 5G



Hamza 3A

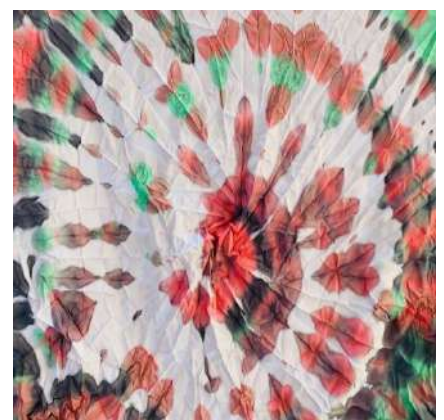


Zarah 4B

Art Workshop

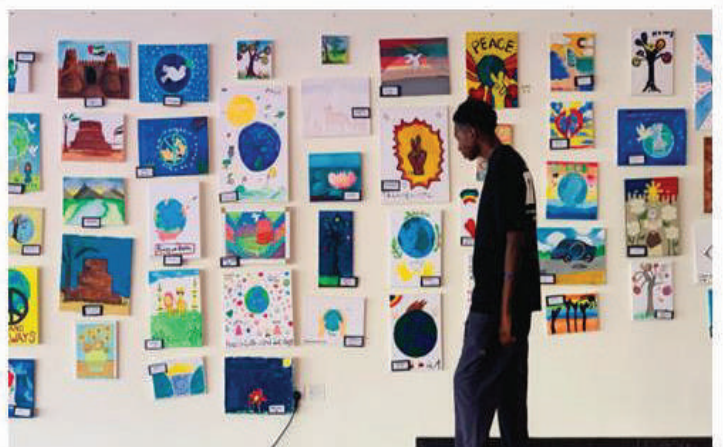
Manthena American School came alive with color and creativity during hands-on art workshop. Students explored tie-dye techniques and canvas painting, gaining practical skills while expressing themselves in fun, artistic ways.

Girls created vibrant wearable designs through tie-dye, while boys learned brushwork and composition on canvas. The workshop encouraged teamwork, confidence, and artistic growth.



MAS proudly hosted the much-anticipated Art Fair on 1st May 2025, celebrating the creativity and imagination of our talented students. The event showcased a wide range of artworks, including paintings, drawings, sculptures, and digital art. Students from all grades participated enthusiastically, turning the school into a vibrant gallery of colors and ideas. Parents, teachers, and visitors were impressed by the originality and effort put into each piece. The Art Fair not only highlighted artistic expression but also fostered a sense of pride and accomplishment among our young artists.

Art Fair



Hajj Activities

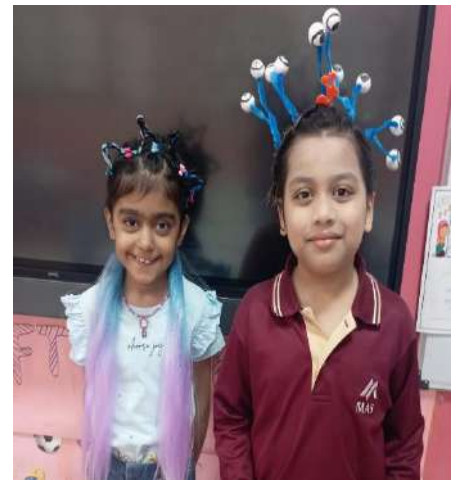


At school, students learned about Hajj by actively participating in a mock pilgrimage. They dressed in simple clothing to represent ihram, walked between stations symbolizing the Kaaba, Safa and Marwa, and even performed a symbolic stoning of the pillars. This hands-on experience helped Muslim students understand the meaning and rituals of Hajj in a practical and memorable way.



Crazy Hair Day was a wild and colorful event at school, with students showing off the most creative and outrageous hairstyles imaginable. Brightly dyed spikes, hair twisted into shapes like animals and cupcakes, and even wigs made from pipe cleaners and balloons filled the hallways. Some students had entire scenes built into their hair, like tiny toy cars driving across a braid or glittery stars woven into puffy, teased locks. Laughter and compliments echoed throughout the day as everyone celebrated self-expression and creativity in the most hair-raising way possible.

Crazy Hair Day



Chess competition

Grades 4, 5, 6 and 7

Event Details

Event Name:

UAE School Games Championship 2025.

Date:

April 28, 2025

Location:

Sharjah Chess Club

Final Teams:

Manthena American School & Emirates School Establishment

Our School Participants

1. Waseem Mohammad
2. Badraddin Mahmoud
3. Mohamed Walaa
4. Zeinalabdin Mahmoud
5. Hussein Rami Baker
6. Baraa Mohammad

Coach: Ms. Jennifer

Event Overview

The UAE School Games Championship 2025 witnessed a grand participation from schools across the United Arab Emirates, where 4,696 students involved in the event. The Championship brought together 4,696 talented students competing in a wide range of sports including Athletics, Football, Fencing, Archery, Taekwondo, Jiu-Jitsu, Shooting, Table Tennis, Judo, Badminton, swimming, and chess.



Conclusion

Manthena American School congratulates all its participants for their dedication and especially applauds Baraa Mohammed for his outstanding performance in chess. His success serves as an Inspiration for other students.

Outcome

Participating Teams:

Multiple Schools

Final Match:

Manthena American School defeated American School of Creative Science, securing the championship title.

Event Impact

The UAE School Games 2025 is a celebration of youth talent, dedication, and the spirit of sport. It is where the next generation of champions rises.

Football competition

Grade 7B

Event Details

Event Name:

School of scientific innovation.

Date:

Academic Year 2024–2025

Location:

International School of Creative Science, Sharjah.

Grades:

Year 8 / Grade 7

Competitors:

- School of Scientific Innovation
- SSI Futsal championship.

Our School Participants

1. Ahmed Khalid
2. Abdelrahman Adullah
3. Waly Oualim
4. Davi Pento
5. Waseem Mohmmmed
6. Ahmed Ashraf
7. Nael Gomaa
8. Karam Ahmed

Coach: Mr. Mohammed

Event Overview

The **Manthana American School Boy's football Team** participated in the Inter-School football Tournament hosted by the **school of scientific innovation**.

Event Impact

The championship provided an excellent platform for students to demonstrate their skills, strong teamwork, excellent strategy, and determination.

Conclusion

Overall, the competition was not just about winning—it was an opportunity to grow, learn, and make a positive impact. The Manthana American School team emerged as champions both on and off the field, demonstrating skill, teamwork, and social responsibility.



Trips

To Adventure Park and EXPO Center

This year, our elementary students embarked on two unforgettable journeys that blended learning with excitement. At the Sharjah International Book Fair, young readers wandered through aisles brimming with colorful books, meeting authors and participating in interactive workshops that ignited their imaginations and fostered a love for reading. The fair's vibrant atmosphere turned each page into a new adventure, leaving our students inspired and eager to explore more stories. Later, at Aventura Parks in Dubai, the children embraced the great outdoors, navigating rope courses and zip lines nestled among the Ghaf trees. These activities not only thrilled them but also built confidence, teamwork, and a deeper appreciation for nature.



Trips to IMG World

To IMG World

The girls' trip was a captivating blend of creativity, learning, and adventure that left lasting impressions on everyone involved. At the Sharjah International Book Fair, our girls stepped into a vibrant world of stories and ideas—they met inspiring authors, explored interactive exhibits, and let their imaginations soar with every turn of a page. Later, at Aventura Parks in Dubai, they navigated exhilarating rope courses and zip lines, embracing challenges that built confidence, resilience, and teamwork. Each moment of the day was filled with empowerment, laughter, and the joy of discovery—truly a memorable celebration of their spirit and strength.



Trips

To IMG World and EXPO Center

This year, the boys' section experienced a series of thrilling adventures that made learning come alive beyond the classroom. From the high-speed rides at IMG Worlds of Adventure to the inspiring innovations at Sharjah Expo, each trip was filled with excitement, discovery, and friendship. These outings weren't just about fun — they offered real-world learning, built confidence, and strengthened bonds between classmates. Whether cheering each other on during challenges or exploring new environments, the boys embraced every moment with energy and enthusiasm. In a glimpse, this was a year of unforgettable journeys and brotherhood in action.



Peace Awareness Session

During the week of April 14, Manthana American School's Boys Section hosted Peace Awareness Week, led by Dr. Abdallah, Counsellor of MAS, and Mr. Helmi, Head of Boys Section.

They visited classrooms, engaging students in meaningful discussions about peace and its role in youth development. Through their sessions, they emphasized the importance of understanding, empathy, and collaboration in creating a more peaceful society.



Ghibli Effect

Have you ever wished your real-life moments looked like a scene from a movie?

The Ghibli Effect transforms photos into beautiful, anime-style illustrations—just like Studio Ghibli films!

On Day 1 after Spring Break, our classroom buzzed with joy and fresh energy.

We captured the moment—and gave it a magical twist using the Ghibli Effect!

This anime-style edit turns real-life photos into soft, storybook-like scenes.

