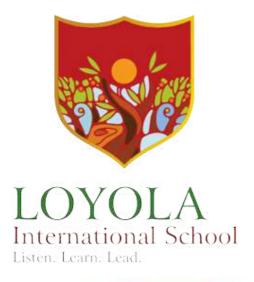


# IGNITED MINDS

### LOYOLA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

**JUNE 2022** 



Happy B'day Sheikh Tamim

Yoga Day with Fathers

School Clubs

Stars of the Month

### **WELCOME**

Welcome to another edition of Ignited Minds from Loyola International School.

This term has even been busier than the last, with so many students, families and the school coming together to celebrate occasions. The school also took a step forward in the overall organizational development with key processes in place like recognizing the teachers and the students of the month. This term witnessed acknowledgement of teachers and students alike. As we work together during the year, through open communication, teamwork and a dedication to continuous improvement, we promise this to be a rewarding and enjoyable school year for the children.

As Summer Holidays have begun, we wish you all have an amazing vacation, and join back with rejuvenated spirits and enthusiasm. School will be reopening on 16th of August for all the grades.

### **Happy Vacation!**

## Happy Birthday Sheikh Tamim

3 June 2022



A just king, a wise leader and a courageous commander.

HH the Amir Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani is a blessing for this country!

He stands tall and strong and shields his country from every storm!

The respect and love that he gets from his countrymen and all people residing in Qatar is inexplicable.

We salute him for the example he sets and wish him a long and blissful life!

May he prosper, along with the country!

Happy Birthday

## Happy Birthday Sheikh Tamim

2 June 2022

The whole school came together to celebrate the week leading up to birthday of His Highness, Amir Sheikh Tamim Bin Hamad Al Thani, the beloved supreme leader of Qatar.

Celebrating his birthday, the young ones in LIS Kindergarten prepared beautiful cards with handwritten messages for the Leader. In the high school wing, representing each literary department of the school (viz. Hindi, French, Arabic, Malayalam, Tamil and Telugu), students proudly wished the Leader – Happy Birthday – in the language they opted! Students of grades 1 and 2 made decorative papers crowns while grade 3 made beautiful birthday cards and Grade 4 students made a picture collage of the supreme leader. The upper primary and High school celebrated the day by conducting various competitions like Quiz, and letter writing which was based on the great leader and his vision for the country until 2030.

The school entrance and lobby was decorated with house boards, wishing the supreme ruler the very best on his birthday. Students wished him love, good health and power to help sustain Qatar's prosperity. They also thanked him for his guidance and leadership.



### LIS in External Forums

#### Meet with the Vice President of India (7 June 2022)

Students, Academic coordinator, Principal and the Directors of Loyola International School were invited to attend a meeting where the Vice-President of India H E Venkaiah Naidu accompanied by a high-level delegation including Ministers, parliamentarians and businessmen were present. Representatives of various institutions and schools were also present in the meet. During the meeting, he discussed ways to enhance relations between two countries in several sectors. LIS is honoured to have been given this opportunity.



**LIS at ICC** (5 June 2022)

The students represented Loyola International School and performed a dance as part of the larger observation of World Environment Day, organized by the Indian Cultural Centre (ICC), alongside other schools in Doha. The day was marked with great enthusiasm and reiterated our commitment towards protecting our home. #OnlyOneEarth.



### LIS in External Forums

## **Tug of war interschool competition** (17 June 2022)

Tug of War - a test of strength and technique. Two teams from LIS (Girls' Team and Boys' Team) represented the school and participated in VAQ Power War Competition held at Al Rayyan Pvt School. Students were trained by Mr Rajeesh Ramakrishna, Physical Education Dept.



#### **Interschool Quiz Competition**

(23 June 2022)

Sunandita of grade 6A, Durga Prasad of grade 7A and Ayesha Khan of grade 8B represented LIS in the Interschool Quiz Competition Encuesta, organised by DPS MIS. Students were trained and escorted by Ms. Amrutha Nair.



## Stars of the Month-May

"LIS Champ", a badge that students take pride in! Students compete for excellency in not only academics, but also in having a well-round personality. Recognizing and emboldening the positives in students and encouraging them to strive for greater achievements, LIS honors a student from each class, every month with the "LIS Champ" badge.

Student of the month is selected on various criteria like Academic performance, participation in co-curricular activities, personal hygiene, behaviour discipline, regularity and uniform.

Congratulations to all the students who have set an example for everyone around!

Teachers put their heart and soul into what they do. Their sincerity and dedication is commendable. Applauding their contributions to the school and their students, LIS honoured them with the "Educator of the month" title and a cup.

Ms Sonali Rastogi, Ms Pallavi Nevar and Ms Lakshmi Rajesh were awarded the title. Thank You teachers and Congratulations!





## World Environmen Day

5 June 2022

World Environment Day is celebrated every year to raise global awareness to take positive action to protect nature and the planet earth. It is a day that reminds everyone to get involved in protecting our planet through environment friendly activities. With this in view, LIS Doha, observed this day whilst engaging students through meaningful actions right from the pre primary sections to the high school.

Students from grade I made a paper collage of the planet earth, whilst students from grade II brought in small indoor / medicinal plants and placed them in the school classroom and corridors. Grade 3 students engaged themselves in making poster on 'Save Our Environment' and the class 4 students prepared 3D installations of trees and plants. Students from higher grades spoke about sustainable development and Sustainable Living to have a healthy Earth. All activities lead to raising the respect for nature and Earth in students.



### Yoga Day with Fathers

21 June 2022

Loyola International School joined the rest of the world to celebrate the 21st International Yoga Day with enthusiasm. Since this day was close to Father's Day (19th June 2022), fathers were also invited along with their children to take part in the celebration. As a school which always believes in Listening, Learning and Leading, the day became momentous with students and fathers participating alike in an hour long Yoga session. Both benefited from the gift of love and physical connection by practicing the energizing yoga-asanas and the milieu was unbeatable. The workshop conducted by Ms Dipti Sajnani, a certified Yoga Trainer, emphasized that the essence of Yoga is balance – not just within the body or that between the mind and the body, but also balance in the human relationship with the world.

Also celebrating Father's Day, students gifted handmade cards and "My Superhero" brooches to their dads! Some of the parents (fathers) came forward, onto the stage to share their thoughts and they mentioned about the sense of goodness the session brought in, and added that it gave them a meaningful opportunity to engage with their children away from the mundaneness of everyday life. The teachers from Physical Education department also demonstrated few Asanas (exercises) and told about each pose's impact to lead the students towards healthy living.



### Glimpse of Activities

#### Father's Day Celebrations (15-19 June 2022)

Expressing love and gratitude to their fathers, students made beautiful flipbooks about: "All about my Dad!", wrote handwritten notes and letters, made colorful paper badges, worked on a fact file on their father's, and wrote paragraphs highlighting their most memorable moments with their dads! Students also wrote interesting question card about their fathers and collected them in a gratitude jar which was then picked one by one for the whole class to answer the question and express their feelings. Every activity brought in respect and gratitude in kids for their dads. LIS salutes all the Fathers!



#### HAPPY FATHER'S DAY



छिपा है प्यार का समंदर जिसके, आगोश में हमारे लिए आपार प्रेम है जिसके, आक्रोश में कोई चिंता नहीं है उनके होते हुए, परिवार में बच्चों के लिए समर्पित हैं पिता के, अवतार में

by Muskaan Mittu
(Teacher of Hindi Department)

#### Super Saturdays (11 and 18 June 2022)

Super Saturdays were organised in LIS for all the parents and teachers to meet and discuss strategies to enrich student's learning experience and bring out the best in them. Attendances of parents were high starting from primary lever to high school.



#### **Chess Competitions**

A core component of our 360 Degree education is the Extra-Curricular and Co-Curricular activities that shape the development of students. They are instrumental in shaping the talents and developing social skills, critical thinking and teamwork. At LIS, Chess is one such game for which students are coached to foster their critical thinking and enhance their confidence level. Competitions were held across the grades 4 to 10. Top two were selected from each grade and the final rounds of competitions which were held. The winners were awarded with cups of prestige.



#### **Moral Values in Tamil**

Tamil department has taken a great initiative to nourish the moral values among students. Through athichudi and thirukural, students were made aware of various verses in the ancient literature and also learn about life.



#### **Fun Time Activities**

There were plenty of fun games organized and conducted in the Primary sections. Playing games in the classroom is an integral part of the learning process. We know that kids learn through play and the research is piling up, that proves the value of classroom games for students as it makes learning concepts fun and irresistible. Games like Ball Launch and Sensory Path Hopscotch, Ring Toss, Clay Modelling, Pong scoop and Pull Me Out were played. Not only were these games fun to play, but it improved the overall hand body coordination, fostered logical thinking and most importantly promoted cooperative play.



#### **Quran Recitation and Moral Story Telling Competitions** (26–28 June)

LIS conducted a Quran Recitation and Storytelling Competition for Classes I to IX from 26th to 28th June 2022. The competition was held during the regular Islamic/Moral Science periods. Students memorized the specific surahs for the competition and recited them in class within a time frame. For Moral Science, the students prepared short moral/value based stories and narrated them in front of the class. They were judged based on the content, expressions, gestures, voice modulations, confidence and the overall performance.

#### **Special Assembly** (27 June 2022)

A special assembly was organized for students of class VII on the theme of "Environmental Consciousness". The students came prepared with prayers, thought of the day, news clips, group songs etc. Everybody participated with great enthusiasm and made the assembly very significant. The chess winners were also awarded during this assembly.

#### Mob Dance (30 June)

FIFA is a sensation that is much awaited for! Qatar is a country where football is not just a sport, but an emotion! Joining in creating the buzz, hundred students of Loyola International School took part in a mob dance and swayed and bounced to the tunes of the official song of FIFA 2022 "Hayya Hayya"!. Students were trained by Ms Shirin Dhage, the school dance teacher.



#### Class Party (29-30 June)

The last day of the school before it closed for over a month long vacation had to be memorable. For students to enjoy the companionship of their friends and create memories, school had organised class party for grades 1 to 10. Students came dressed in their occasional wears, brought party snacks, played fun games and spread cheer everywhere. Last day of the term was truly memorable for the children and the staff alike!



### Club Activities

#### STEM Club

#### **Environment Day**

STEM club allows students to learn Science, technology and mathematics in a fun and experimental way. For Environmental Day, students learnt about reusing the waste and learnt about importance of nature and its beings. They prepared a Bird Feeder with used plastic bottles, disposable plates, shoe boxes, ice cream sticks etc. Students took great interest in making bird feeders and invite the birds into their project.



#### **Music Day Celebrations**

As part of Music Day celebrations, students in the STEM club brought home utilities and produced sound through them. They learnt how sound travels through different media. They understood the science behind acoustics through this activity. They also learnt how sound varies with different materials and tried to make music by combining the different sounds.



### Literary Club

#### **Environment Day**

Students were oriented about the importance of the day and discussed about how they can engage themselves as climate warriors by undertaking small positive actions. Students developed posters on couplets on Nature and Environment as part of their literary club activity. The couplets encompassed different environmental aspects.



#### **Music Day Celebrations**

The Literary club conducted its second club activity to observe the World Music Day. Students were shown a presentation and oriented about World Music Day and important facts (as where and when it originated, different musical genres, musical notes, why it is celebrated on 21st June etc.) related to it. A short quiz about "Identify the Instrument "was also conducted where in students were given clues and asked to guess about the instrument. The club students from classes V and VI briefly spoke about a musical instrument of their choice. The students of grade VII & VIII were grouped together and created their own poem/song to be presented in the club hour. The aim was not only to emphasize on Music as part of human culture but also to enable students to be able to think and speak around the topic, thereby enhancing their speaking skills.



#### **7est Club**

#### **Environment Day**

As a part of Environment Day, students of Zest Club prepared interesting and innovative recipes without using fire and presented them in an artistic way. This activity emphasized about the abundance that nature has to provide, and also on saving energy and fuel.



#### **Music Day Celebrations**

In Zest Club, as a part of Music Day celebrations, students initiated the art of learning Beat Boxing. Beatboxing is imitating drum machine sounds using mouth. Students were thrilled learning the basics of beatboxing. Beatboxing activity aimed at inspiring students being creative with sounds and build confidence in them. They learned basic sounds like Bass Drum, Hi Hats and different Snares plus sound effects, rhythm exercises and how to put it all together in their own unique rhythms.

#### Fine Arts Club

#### **Environment Day**

In Fine Arts Club, students can explore and develop their talents through different artforms and develop their overall personality. In view of the Environment Day, students creatively made wall décors with multiple waste materials to emphasize on reduction of pollution, recycle and reuse. They also prepared colourful and impactful posters and wrote awareness messages as part of Fine Arts club.



#### **Music Day Celebrations**

This Music Day, in the Fine Arts Club, it was all about display of talents. Students performed, acted and sang to different lyrics, songs and scenes. The club put together Mystery Jar where the cues were present. Students had to select any random cue and perform accordingly. Students participated with complete zeal and were thrilled to put forth what they have.



## Kindergarten

#### **Environment Day (**5 June 2022)

Understanding the importance of what nature and environment plays in our lives is essential. Sooner we teach our young ones, the sooner we get a better world. Kindergarteners learnt about nature and taking care of it by planting saplings in the school campus. This activity not only got the children aware of the importance of nature and plants, but also introduced them to the life-skill of gardening and planting.



#### Fathers Day Celebrations (19 June 2022)

Fathers are superheroes without capes for their children. Children look up-to them and adore them. Expressing their love for their fathers, kindergarteners came dressed as their fathers and made beautiful keychains and cards for them. They also spoke about what is the best thing about their father! Seeing the pride in each student's eyes for their father was heart touching.



#### **Fun Week** (26 June to 30 June 2022)

The kindergarten of Loyola International School organized "Summer Fun Week" that ignited young hearts and minds with great joy and enthusiasm.

Different types of indoor and outdoor games aided children to learn numbers, excel in eye-hand coordination, memory and not to forget the value of patience and safety.

Children were amazed to see the various experiments in the Science Experiments Corner which allowed them to have hands on experience on various phenomenons.

Each day children walked in school with great enthusiasm and took active participation in fun-filled activities that was held throughout the week, and made memories in their own little way.

Finally, the week concluded with a play of Little Red Riding Hood enacted by the teachers that let the children sit back, relax, enjoy the live play, and have fun!.



## Students' Corner

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Best entries of the contests that are a part of the CCA would be published in the student's corner of the newsletters.

#### **Father-Child Look Alike Photo Contest**



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