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"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams."

"Lighting the path towards a brighter future"



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Director’s Message...

Dear Readers,

Welcome to the latest issue of the DCSN magazine. We are thrilled to share with you all our exciting news about the events that have unfolded during the second term of our academic year. An absolute highlight of this issue was our Annual Concert. A spectacular event that showcased the extraordinary talents of our students and the unwavering dedication of our staff.

The benefit to our students participating in the annual concert is multifaceted. Preparing for the concert is not just a performance opportunity; it is a form of therapy that allows them to express themselves creatively. The sense of achievement and pride that follows a successful performance naturally inspires them to want to do more and every concert is a testament to our students’ strong determination and resilience in overcoming physical and mental obstacles to achieve their dreams.

During term 2 we have been making the most of Spring and the beautiful weather. This of course means spending as much time as possible in our garden. At the start of the growing season our students took great care to plant seeds in our vegetable garden and they have now been rewarded with a bountiful harvest of organic tomatoes, cucumbers, radishes,etc.

As always, we welcomed some of our company sponsors for our special assemblies. Another great opportunity for our students to get up on stage and demonstrate their creative talents in singing, dancing and playing musical instruments and for our sponsors to enjoy time with the students afterwards. This time together brings true meaning to our sponsors and the valuable work that they do for the students and the Center.

At DCSN, our activities extend beyond the classroom. In this issue, we invite you to join us as we explore our students’ unique adventures in horseback riding and sailing. These activities not only enrich their lives but also broaden their horizons.

We trust you will find as much delight in reading about these events and experiences as we have in sharing them with you. Your ongoing support and interest in DCSN are sincerely appreciated.

Sincerely,

Dr. Mahshid Salehi



DCSN’s Annual Concert: “I have a dream” The power of belief and the realization of dreams

In the presence and under the patronage of Her Highness Sheikha Latifa bint Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Chairperson of Dubai Culture and Arts Authority (Dubai Culture) and Member of the Dubai Council, DCSN had the honor of presenting its annual concert titled “I Have a Dream.” The event featured welcome speeches by Dr.Abdullah Al Khayat, Chairman of DCSN, and Dr. Mahshid Salehi, the Director of DCSN.This was followed by a recognition ceremony dedicated to the board of directors of DCSN, who have served the center tirelessly for the past 32 years, along with the director.

Following that, musical theatrical performances, carefully crafted and performed by DCSN students and staff, brought the DCSN’s auditorium to life.These performances served as a testament to the students’ dedication, showcasing their unique artistic talents, creative abilities, and the power of belief and realization of dreams despite challenges. It’s important to shed the light on the tremendous in-house efforts dedicated to producing all the props and costumes, as well as the professional lighting and music effects perfectly synchronized with everything happening on stage.





Special Assemblies

When the corporate world spends the most memorable time at DCSN

Whether it's a new company or an old friend, the thrill, excitement, and compassion are ever-present when DCSN's special students prepare special assemblies for their exceptional supporters. Students and staff alike wouldn't miss the opportunity to express their appreciation for the help and the special moments, laughter, and fun discussions shared during each visit. In return, they offer an unforgettable emotional performance, reminding everyone of the real important things in life and what truly matters.





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Special experiences and activities!

Sailing and horseback riding, activities to look forward for.

This term featured a wealth of activities, but sailing and horseback riding stand out as particularly noteworthy. They offer our students unique and transformative experiences, especially during the beautiful season, providing calming, sensory experiences that promote relaxation and reduce anxiety. These activities also help develop motor skills, foster independence, and build confidence through overcoming challenges in a supportive, inclusive environment.



Harvest season at DCSN

When the beautiful season brings along the freshest produce

DCSN's functional students actively participate in gardening, planting, and harvesting activities, which offer them numerous benefits. These activities help improve their motor skills, sensory experiences, and understanding of nature. Additionally, they provide a sense of accomplishment and independence. In the second term at DCSN, students had a bountiful harvest of fresh, organic produce, which was sold internally to employees as part of their learning experience.



“The Pond” a new sensorial area, new experiences.

A space to optimize learning and sensory experience.

DCSN is thrilled to announce the launch of its pond area, dedicated to providing a special sensorial experience for its students. This area features a pond, fountain, fish, and various plants. The sound of the fountain can provide a soothing auditory experience, helping to create a calm and peaceful environment. The sight of the fish swimming and the plants growing can offer visual stimulation, promoting curiosity and engagement. The different textures of the plants and the water can provide tactile sensations, encouraging exploration and sensory development. Overall, this sensory-rich environment can help stimulate the senses in a positive way, contributing to the overall well-being and sensory development of students.



ACADADEMIC STUDENTS & ASDAN CERTIFICATES

A rewarding moment following dedicated efforts.

At DCSN, nothing brings us greater joy than witnessing our students’ continual growth. It’s truly heartening to see a new group of students receive their ASDAN silver and bronze certificates, a testament to their dedication and effort in enhancing both their academic and social skills. Congratulations to our bright and determined students! We also extend our heartfelt appreciation to their teachers, whose unwavering support has been instrumental in helping their students achieve their goals.



We hope you enjoyed the latest issue of DCSN’s magazine, packed with interesting news, events, and accomplishments.

