



# MAGAZINE

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“The best way to find yourself is  
to loose yourself in  
the service of others”

*Ghandi*

“Lighting the path  
towards a brighter future”

## Director's Message...

Dear Supporters and Parents,

As we conclude the first term of the 2024-2025 academic year, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude and pride in the progress we have made together. This term has been both busy and rewarding, marked by numerous accomplishments and exciting partnerships, all aimed at providing our students with the support and opportunities they deserve for a brighter future.

Throughout the term, our calendar was enriched with a variety of special assemblies, where our loyal supporters continued to demonstrate their unwavering commitment. We are deeply thankful for their ongoing dedication. We also welcomed new friends into our expanding community, further strengthening our collective efforts. A highlight of the term was our much-anticipated Family Winter Fair, which successfully brought together individuals of all ages in a festive and inclusive atmosphere, all in support of a meaningful cause.

On the academic front, our students have once again exceeded expectations with their perseverance, determination, and hard work. Their commitment to achieving their goals, including earning their ASDAN certificates, inspires us all to strive for excellence and aim ever higher.

As we close this term and look ahead to the future, we celebrate these milestones with great pride and anticipation for what lies ahead. Together, we are laying the foundation for even greater achievements and success. Your continued support is vital to making all of this possible, and for that, we are truly grateful.

Thank you for being an integral part of our journey. Together, we are building a brighter tomorrow for our students.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mahshid Salehi". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial 'S'.

Dr. Mahshid Salehi

# UAE's 53rd National Day

## Honoring an exceptional nation with deep admiration



Dubai Center for Special Needs celebrated the 53rd National Day of the United Arab Emirates in an atmosphere brimming with pride and honor. The event was graced by the esteemed presence of Dubai Police leadership, prominent figures from various government entities, and supportive parents who brought warmth and a strong sense of national spirit. The occasion was a vibrant display of unity and loyalty, featuring diverse segments that seamlessly blended authentic Emirati folklore with modern elements, showcasing the nation's remarkable progress. This enriching celebration deepened the sense of pride and belonging among all attendees. Wishing our beloved UAE continued prosperity and success.



# ACADEMIC and FUNCTIONAL STUDENTS and their well deserved ASDAN CERTIFICATES

A fulfilling achievement after unwavering dedication.

DCSN started the year on a high note, celebrating the remarkable accomplishments of our FE and AC classes! Joined by their proud parents, dedicated teachers, and supportive peers, our hardworking students were recognized for earning their well-deserved bronze and silver ASDAN certificates, a true reflection of their perseverance and dedication. Congratulations to all, and keep reaching for excellence!



# World Mental Health Day

## A Day of Reflection, Recharge, and an Exceptional Choir Performance by DCSN Students

On World Mental Health Day, Dubai Center for Special Needs proudly shared its message of hope and healing through music as the DCSN Choir and Orchestra participated in the opening ceremony of the World Mental Health Day conference at Al Amal Psychiatric Hospital. On this meaningful day, the Center stood in solidarity with parents, caregivers, teachers, therapists, and the entire community. It dedicated its efforts to nurturing not only the bodies but also the minds and hearts of those it serves. By fostering unity and understanding, the Center contributed to creating a world where mental health was prioritized and supported for everyone.



DCSN'S  
*Family Winter Fair*



SOFITEL  
LUXURY HOTELS

Hilton

nextcare

WSP

L'OCCITANE  
EN PROVENCE



Jumeirah  
MADINAT JUMEIRAH

Hampton

DOUBLE TREE  
by Hilton

RAFFLES  
THE PALM DUBAI



Cateriya

Blue

WALDORF ASTORIA  
HOTELS & RESORTS

DUBAI OPERA  
EMAAR

EMBASSY SUITES  
by Hilton

Hilton Garden Inn

MÖVENPICK  
HOTELS & RESORTS

JA  
RESORTS  
AND HOTELS

Host & Toast



M&S

ACE  
The helpful place.



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Alba BEIRUT  
CREPES

KNOT  
HOME

Small  
MANTER DUBAI SKI & ICE  
SINCE 1987

Stella Di Mare  
Dubai

ABELASCO

PEPSICO

Himalaya  
SINCE 1930

Dubai Parks  
AND RESORTS

Castania

Smart Crunch  
Follow your gut feelings



DHL  
EXPRESS

Shvili  
A GEORGIAN RESTAURANT

OSTERIO MARIO  
ITALIAN RESTAURANT

BLACK COFFEE  
BY CAFE YOUNES

Patchi



Bosporus  
Your Bridge to Turkey

AGORA

Henkel

the healthy home  
creating healthy living  
المعيشة الصحية

TAVOLA

PRIME  
MEDICAL CENTER

ARMADA

PARASOLE  
RESORT WEAR

LYCEE LIBANAIS  
FRANCOPHONE PRIVE  
MEYDAN

المدرسة اللبنانية  
الفرانكوونية الخاصة  
ميدان

SUGAR  
BEAUTY LOUNGE

ELEMIS

pladis  
GODIVA ULAKEN

Hera

SUNSET  
HOSPITALITY GROUP

infinite SKI

fine solutions

La baguette de  
L'ENTRECÔTE

semsom  
سفسوم

The MERRY  
Stop

Häagen-Dazs  
DON'T HOLD BACK.

COMPTOIR 102

ORIGINAL  
MARINES

tipstoos  
تيسل تاور

TRINITY WELLNESS  
HEALTH & BEYOND

RAISE  
FITNESS & WELLNESS

نايكو الوطنية  
napco national

CLOVER  
MEDICAL CENTRE  
DENTAL & HOMEOPATHY

مزارع العين  
Al Ain Farms

REVL



الصبر  
Al Seer

بلادي  
baladé farms

Henkel

Sweet Set Up

DUBAI DRUMS

# Family Winter Fair

## A day with ever lasting happy memories

The Annual Family Winter Fair at DCSN was a truly incredible celebration of togetherness and community! From the joyous laughter of children to the vibrant energy shared by all, the event brought warmth and happiness to everyone who attended. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our amazing supporters and sponsors, whose unwavering support made this memorable day possible. A special thank you goes out to all the wonderful guests who joined us and created such a magical atmosphere. Your enthusiasm and participation made this event a true success, and we can't wait to celebrate with you again next year!







## DCSN's Special Assemblies

Meaningful gatherings for a noble cause in a warm and welcoming atmosphere.

DCSN had an incredibly rich first term, welcoming a variety of special guests, companies, supporters, and volunteers. These visits provided opportunities to witness the remarkable talents of its students through special assemblies, which serve as platforms for meaningful interaction and learning. The students thrive on engaging with new people, gaining valuable experiences that help them overcome challenges and grow. DCSN extends heartfelt gratitude to all sponsors and volunteers whose contributions create a nurturing and inclusive environment for individuals with special needs. This collaboration fosters inclusivity and leaves a profound impact on the lives of people of determination. A selected collection of photos from these special assemblies captures the shared emotions and experiences with various companies, all united by a common goal: "Lighting the path towards a brighter future".









## Sheikha Latifa Award for Childhood Creativity

So proud of our talented students!

Once again, we proudly celebrate our student, Ahmad Al Ahabbi, for securing one of the third prize at this year's Sheikha Latifa Award for Childhood Creativity, hosted by the Dubai Women's Association.

Congratulations to Ahmad for winning in the fine arts category, a testament to his talent and the dedication of our DCSN art teachers. Your remarkable achievement fills us all with immense pride!

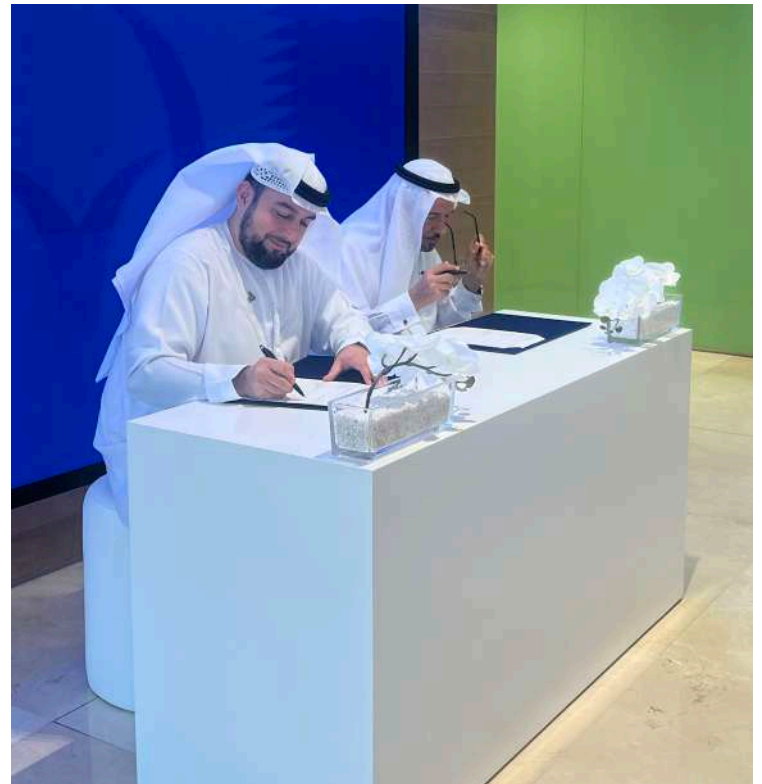


# AI Jalila Foundation and DCSN MOU signing

## A Partnership with a Noble Purpose

We are proud to announce that DCSN and AI Jalila Foundation have officially signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)!

This partnership marks a significant step forward in empowering and supporting individuals with special needs. Together, we aim to create impactful initiatives that inspire inclusion and foster opportunities. May this collaboration pave the way for a brighter future for our cherished community!



# First Aid Training by Hayat Institute

## Because Safety Comes first.

DCSN kicked off the year with a comprehensive first aid training organized by Hayat Institute for all its employees! This initiative reflects our unwavering commitment to the safety and well-being of both staff and students. Equipped with essential life-saving skills, our team is prepared to respond effectively in any emergency. Together, we continue to build a safe and supportive environment for our community!



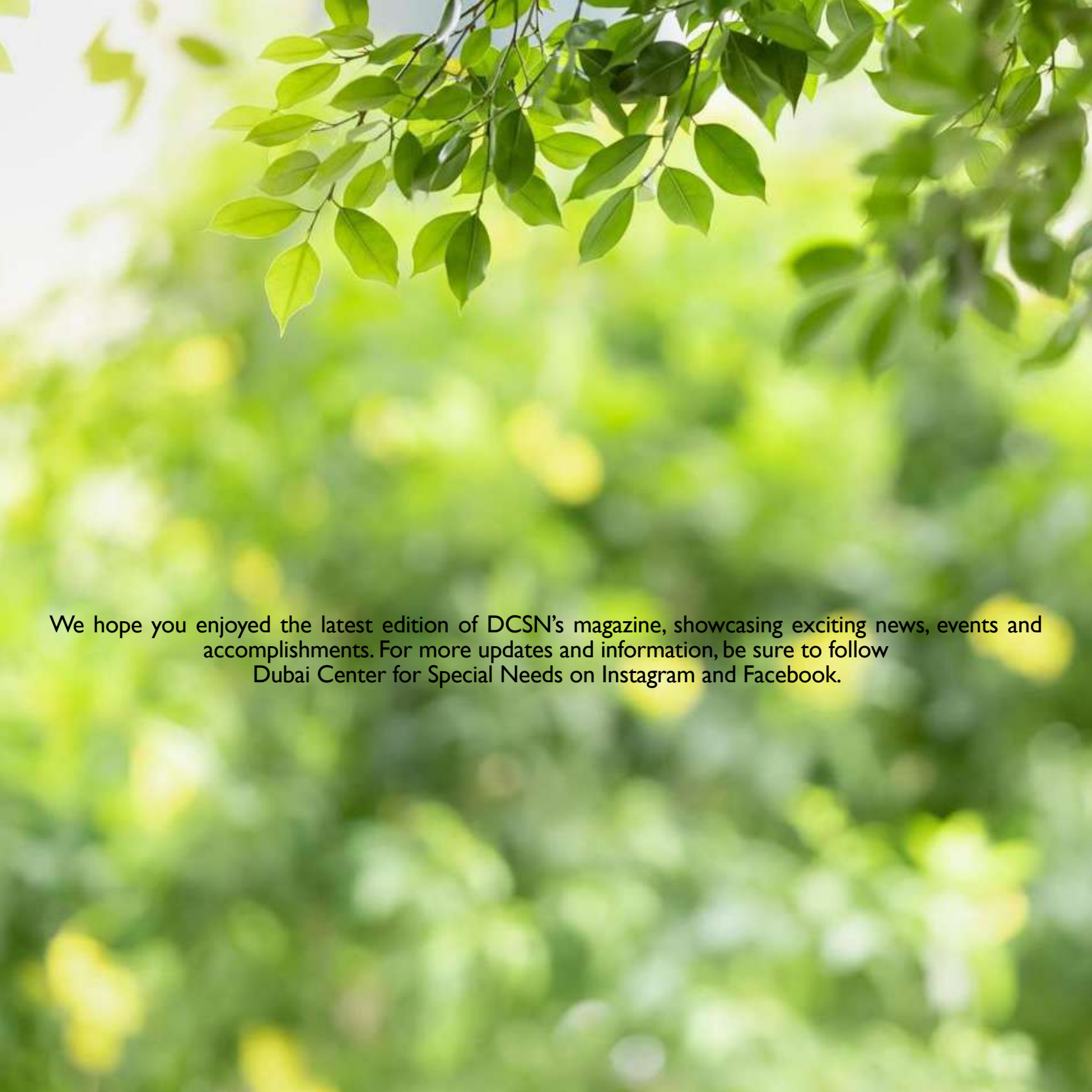


# Ethraa Empowerment Program for Non-Profit Organizations

## Prestigious Platinum Prize Awarded to DCSN

In a remarkable accomplishment, Dubai Center for Special Needs (DCSN) was honored with the prestigious Platinum Prize at an event hosted by the Community Development Authority (CDA) to recognize the most outstanding non-profit organizations. This accolade was part of the Ethraa Empowerment Program for Non-Profit Organizations, held at Emirates Towers in the presence of Her Excellency Hessa Bint Essa Buhumaid, Director General of the CDA, along with other distinguished officials. At DCSN, we remain dedicated to providing the highest standards of care and education to our exceptional students, constantly striving to empower and support them in every possible way.





We hope you enjoyed the latest edition of DCSN's magazine, showcasing exciting news, events and accomplishments. For more updates and information, be sure to follow Dubai Center for Special Needs on Instagram and Facebook.