



# The School Buzz

## News & Updates

### Arabic Language Day

”لقد تعرّفنا إلى الأَحْرُفِ من خلال الصُّور والألوان، أَحَبُّ كَثِيرًا اللُّغَةَ العَرَبِيَّةَ.“  
ريانا عاقوري، الصَّفِّ الثَّانِي

”لقد استمتعتنا كثيرًا بالنَّشاطِ المُنَجِّزِ، وتعلَّمنا كيف نستخدم الأحرف لِشُكْلِ كَلِمَاتٍ متنوّعة، فلغتنا العَرَبِيَّةَ غَنِيَّةٌ بِمُفْرَدَاتِهَا وَمَعَانِيهَا.“  
كريس الخوري، الصَّفِّ الخَامِسِ



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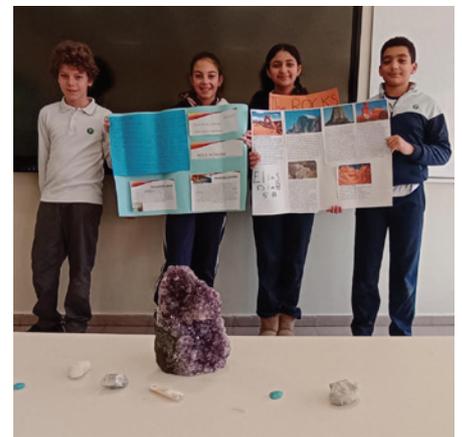
”احتفلنا باليوم العالمي للغة العربية في المدرسة، وكان احتفالاً مميّزاً ورائعاً، وقد شارك فيه عدد كبير من التلامذة صغاراً وكباراً. لقد تضمّن الاحتفال أبحاثاً عن أدباء عرب مشهورين وإلقاء شعر وزجل من قبل الصّف الثّاني عشر. أما بالنسبة للصّف الحادي عشر، فقد لعبنا مع الأستاذ بشير لعبة أسئلة عامة، كانت اللعبة تتضمّن ثقافة لأنّها تشمل الكثير من المواضيع مثل الرياضة، الأدب والقواعد. وقد خلقت جوّاً مميّزاً في الصّف.“

ليونيل بحليس، الصّف الثانوي الثاني



## Science Reading Campaign

Grade 4 students read the Science Reader Cargo Ships and Grade 5 students read the Science Reader Rock Wonders, while Grade 6 students chose different scientific topics and learned about minerals and gemstones.



*“In my opinion, the extra books were truly a wonderful idea and a fun experience for the whole class. Members of each group dedicated time and energy to this project and I could see that they thoroughly enjoyed it. The presentations were also very interesting and I sincerely hope this continues.”*

**Daniel Jabr, Grade 5**

## University Visit

Representatives of the French Hospitality and Luxury Management School, École Ferrières, presented the university's English-language business administration and hospitality management programs to our High School students.



## Alumni Speaker

Alumnus Emmanuel Bassil provided insightful advice regarding pursuing a medical career and everything that it entails. Not only was his session informative, but it was also inspiring.

*"The shared information helped me battle the typical stereotypes of becoming a doctor and washed away any doubts I had about following such a diverse and beautiful career."*

**Ely Shoucair, Grade 11**



## Christmas Shows

Students from Pre-School to Grade 2 put together outstanding performances this Christmas season. They filled the stage with warmth, innocence, happiness, and endless laughter. Parents also greatly enjoyed singing festive songs along with their children.

### Preschool



KG1 & 2



KG3



Grade 1 & 2



# Student Achievements

## MUN and MEU Final Conferences



The months of preparation, hard work, and dedication were displayed by our delegates during the MUN and MEU final conferences. We are so proud of each and every member of the delegation and the student advisors that guided them throughout the process.

### High School MUN Delegation Awards:

Mia Louis - Diplomacy | Riad Saffaye - Diplomacy | Cynthia Mansour - Position Paper | Celine Assi - Position Paper  
Zeina Chedid - Position Paper | Alex Douaihy - Position Paper | Tia Malak - Position Paper | Rayan Hallany - Position Paper



### Middle School MUN Delegation Awards:

Luca Bechara - Secretary General | Chloe Merheb - Secretary General | Riad Saifan - Diplomacy  
Georgio Nassar - Position Paper



**MEU Awards:**

Joceline Gears – President | Victor El Fadl – President | Angelina El Khoury – Position Paper



**The Lion King Musical**

The SIS-Adma musical production is held every year to raise awareness of cancer and donate all the proceeds to the Children’s Cancer Center of Lebanon. In addition to the aforementioned, the yearly school production allows all students from grades 4-12 to work on their talents, create bonds and friendships that will last them a lifetime, and learn many important skills such as teamwork.



*"I enjoyed every part of the play, from the rehearsals and costume trials to the dance practices and much more. I will never forget the feeling of excitement backstage or the nerves right before going on stage. However, nothing beats the surreal feeling the second you step on stage. Being on stage gives me a feeling I can't even explain! Not only was it a great experience but it also increased my self-confidence. The period of time we spent preparing for the play has been my favorite part of the year and one that I will never forget."*

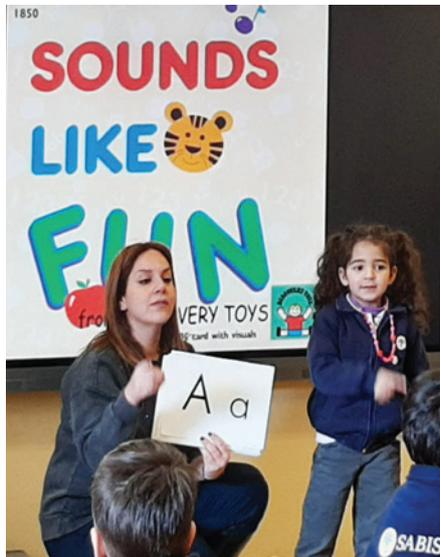
**Sarah Mneimneh, Grade 9**

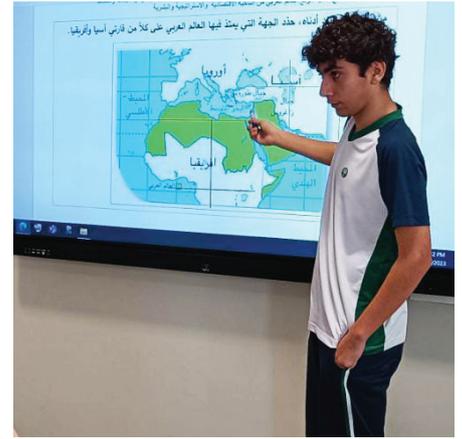


## SLO Stories

### Shadow Teaching Week

The SLO Academic Department prepared a Shadow Teaching Week for students from KG 1 to Grade 12. It was great to watch students from all grade levels teach all the various subjects that they take.





## Cleanest Class Competition

The winners of the cleanest class competition created by the Discipline Department for Term 1 were grades 4A and 5A.



## Basketball Tournaments

The SLO Sports Department prepared a basketball tournament for all students from grades 4 to 12. The tournament was divided into different parts, with the following grades competing against each other: grades 4-6, grades 7-9, and grades 10-12. The following sections and teams came out victorious: Grade 6A, Grade 9 Brevet, and the Celtics.



*“The tournament was nice and competitive - it was easy to win.”*

**Andreas Douaihy, Grade 6**



*“One player can be a crucial part of a team, but one player can’t make a team. Our whole team worked together to win the tournament and none of us could have done it alone.”*

**Charbel Geara, Grade 11**



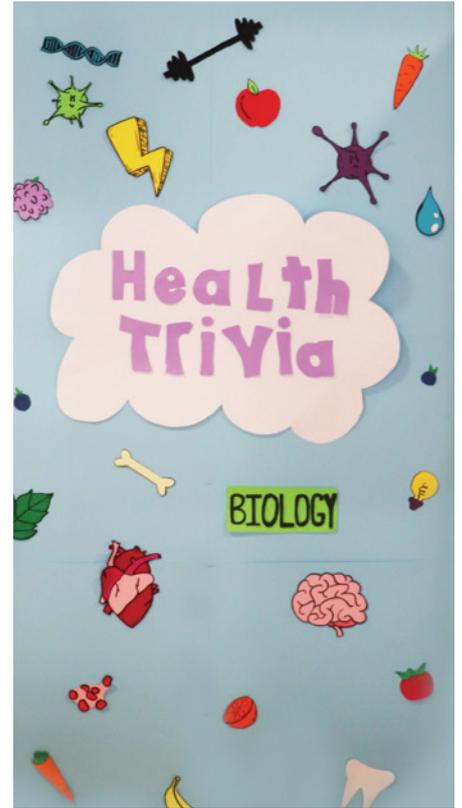
*“The basketball tournament was a lot of fun and we ended up beating the team we first lost to in the finals!”*

**Tarek Chahine, Grade 9**

## Health Week

### Health Trivia

The Wellness Department, as part of its efforts to always encourage a healthy lifestyle for all, prepared a fun trivia game to test how knowledgeable grades 10-12 students are about various health facts.



## Circuit Challenge

*“The Sport Circuit Challenge was professionally organized and was a true showcase of athletic ability. Participants pushed themselves to their limits by completing a grueling circuit of exercises including jump rope, push-ups, and planks. Despite the challenges, it was an enjoyable and memorable experience for all involved, highlighting the dedication and hard work of our school’s athletes.”*

**Michael Djaroueh, Grade 11**



### Winners:

**Plank:** Elias Diab, Grade 5

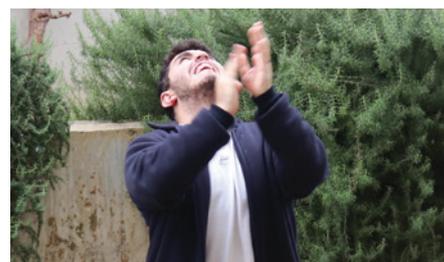
**Jumping Jacks:** Mark Hreiki, Grade 5

**Wall Sit:** Ibrahim Kanaan, Grade 5

**Push-ups:** Michael Djaroueh, Grade 11

**Catch & Clap:** Ghadi Bandaly, Grade 11

**Jump Rope:** Ameer Mikhael, Grade 12



## Be the "I" in Kind

*"The "I" in Kind event organized by the Outreach Department highlighted kindness and its importance. We wrote down loving notes on a mirror. They reminded me to always be kind to myself and to others."*

**Reem Jurdak, Grade 12**



## World Cancer Awareness Day

*"In honor of those constantly fighting a battle much larger than themselves, the SLO organized the World Cancer Awareness Day event. It was incredibly important to shed light on something so common among us, and it brought people comfort knowing that there is always hope beyond what they see."*

**Mira Sadawi, Grade 10**



## Grade 4-8 Obstacle Trivia





*“The event was so entertaining, and my friends and I greatly enjoyed it. We learned a lot from the questions, and racing against each other was fun. It was an enjoyable way to spend our lunch break and we are looking forward to another event soon.”*

**Ibrahim Kanaan, Grade 5**



## Holiday Week

### Hot Chocolate Package Sale

*“The SLO held a Hot Chocolate Package Sale and donated the proceeds to the Braveheart Fund. This event spread the Christmas spirit among the students and provided support to those in need.”*

**Elie Zgheib, Grade 12**



## School Band and Karaoke

*“Christmas Karaoke was a huge success! We had a great time singing along to all different kinds of songs like ‘Jingle Bell Rock’ and ‘Merry Christmas Everyone’ after the school band performed their songs. I even almost lost my voice! It was one of my favorite events of the year and I can wholeheartedly say that everyone was having a great time.”*

**Maria Chahni, Grade 12**



## Candy Distribution

*“The Senior Class was so excited to distribute candy to the entire school and put a smile on the students’ faces. To make things jollier, a few seniors dressed up as Santa and, along with the rest of the class, sang Christmas carols as they entered every class.”*

**Keane El Medawar, Grade 12**





**Senior Breakfast**

*“The delicious gathering with our favorite teachers was wonderful. What made it even more special were the anonymous notes given to us by our teachers; half the fun was trying to guess who the notes were from. It was a nice way to start the holidays.”*

**Nay Feghali, Grade 12**



## Musical Chairs

What better way to end the day than with a fun and challenging holiday-themed musical chairs event? Believe it or not, both students and staff were very competitive.



## Teacher's Day

To thank their teachers for everything that they do, the SLO Outreach and Lower School departments prepared a heartfelt and heartwarming Teachers' Day celebration for all teachers at school. The students prepared handmade gifts, cards, and videos for their teachers from Pre-School to Grade 12.





## One Child, One Gift

*“The ‘One child, One Gift’ initiative, run by SIS-Adma and the Lebanese Red Cross, reminds students of the true meaning of the holiday season: Giving back. Being able to put a smile on a child’s face through the donations made by the students is an honor in itself. The ‘One child, One Gift’ initiative is a step toward making this world a better place.”*

**Sara Mneimneh, Grade 9**





## Red Cross Collection

*“Prefects toured the entire school and everyone including teachers, students, and staff were thrilled to contribute to the large donations to the Lebanese Red Cross. Later, members from the Lebanese Red Cross came to collect the donation boxes.”*

**Maria Dagher, Grade 12**



## Grade 1-3 Career Day

Grade 1-3 students had the opportunity to participate in Career Day, an event where they passed by stations that represented different professions so they could decide what they want to be in the future.

*“During Career Day, I liked the astronaut station the most because I like space. It was fun.”*

**Paul Jabr, Grade 2**





*“My favorite was the athlete station. I liked wearing my costume and I also liked what my friends were wearing.”*

**Jason Nassif, Grade 1**

*“We played really interesting games. My favorite stations were the ‘Scientist Game’ and the ‘Architect Game’.”*

**Jasmin Awaida, Grade 3**



## **Grade 1-3 Bake Sale**

The SLO Lower School Department prepared a bake sale for students in grades 1-3. The students donated all kinds of items that they baked with love and bought several items to help raise money for the Braveheart Fund.



*“I really loved sharing everything with all my friends! I tasted many good things like cake, waffles, and brownies.”*

**Yara Ghosn, Grade 1**

*“I liked that there were many options, especially chicken popcorn. I also really liked seeing the cake I made there and my friends tasting it.”*

**Mia Suzanna Doueihy, Grade 2**

*“I really liked that with the coupon we could choose the item that we wanted. The chicken popcorn was very good.”*

**Cristiano Younes, Grade 2**

*“I loved everything about the bake sale. I got a donut and one of my own cupcakes. It was fun!”*

**Caesar Abi Shdid, Grade 3**

# School Trips

## Ski Trip

*“The Grade 7-10 Ski Trip was the perfect getaway for students to take a break and cool down before finals, practice skiing, and have fun with their peers. This trip was unforgettable. We enjoyed every single moment of it and we all got to build new friendships.”*

**Mira Saadawi, Grade 10**



## Sports Highlights

### SABIS® GST Qualifications

In preparation for the 13<sup>th</sup> SABIS® Global Sports Tournament (SABIS® GST) that will be held in the U.A.E., SIS-Adma, ISC-Koura, and ISC-Choueifat held local tournaments to determine who will qualify to represent Lebanon. SIS-Adma was able to secure three first place spots in the qualifying games, with a win in the U14 Boys Soccer for the first time ever.



*The qualifications are as follows:*

- U14 Boys Soccer: 1<sup>st</sup> place**
- Varsity Girls Basketball: 1<sup>st</sup> place**
- Swimming Team: 1<sup>st</sup> place**



### Lebanese Schools Championship

The Ministry of Education organizes a yearly tournament amongst all public and private Lebanese schools. SIS-Adma participates in football, futsal, basketball, and volleyball. Students train all year round to ensure that they are at the top of their respective sports. Their hard work and dedication paid off in the following categories.





**U14 Boys Football: 1<sup>st</sup> place**  
**Varsity Girls Basketball: 1<sup>st</sup> place**

**U14 Boys Futsal: 2<sup>nd</sup> place**  
**Varsity Boys Football: 2<sup>nd</sup> place**

**Girls Volleyball: 2<sup>nd</sup> place**  
**Boys Volleyball: 2<sup>nd</sup> place**





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