

# POSTER PAINTING

On January 15th, the Primary Department hosted a vibrant and imaginative Poster Painting activity that turned our Grade 3 students into a group of budding professionals. The excitement was palpable as the children donned their aprons, instantly looking like a gallery of real artists ready to create their next masterpiece. This unique session gave students the opportunity to express their individuality by painting original designs directly onto T-shirts using bright fabric colors. It was a wonderful day of color and craft that left our young artists beaming with joy over their personalized creations!





# Character Day



Character Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm by the Grade 1, 2, and 3 students. The children arrived dressed as their favourite storybook and literary characters, bringing stories to life through colourful costumes and confident presentations.



Each student spoke a few lines about the character they portrayed, showcasing their speaking skills and creativity. The activity encouraged self-expression, confidence, imagination, and an interest in stories and literature. It was a vibrant and joyful celebration that was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone.





# FIELD TRIP

The Grade 2 students went on an educational field trip to the zoo as part of experiential learning. During the visit, the children observed a variety of animals and learned about their habitats, food habits, and overall importance in nature. The trip provided hands-on learning beyond the classroom and helped students develop curiosity, awareness, and social skills. It was both an educational and enjoyable experience for all the students.

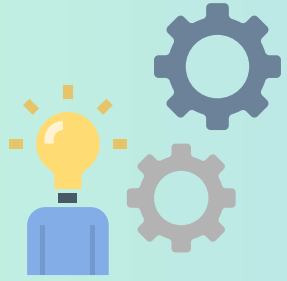


# CHORAL READING



The English Department recently organized a vibrant Choral Reading Competition for students in Grades 1, 2, and 3, turning the art of storytelling into a captivating performance. Each class selected a special portion of a story, bringing it to life through synchronized voices, rhythmic expression, and collective enthusiasm before a panel of esteemed judges. This event was more than just a competition; it served as a powerful tool for building reading fluency, boosting public speaking confidence, and fostering teamwork as students worked in harmony to perfect their delivery. It was truly a day where stories came alive through the voices of our youngest learners.

# INVENTORS DAY



The Science Department ignited a brilliant spark of curiosity by hosting an inspiring Inventors' Day for the young explorers of Grades 1, 2, and 3. The school was filled with wonder as students arrived dressed as their favorite legendary scientists, stepping into the shoes of icons like Albert Einstein and Isaac Newton. This immersive activity went beyond costumes; children actively performed live experiments and shared fascinating insights into the groundbreaking discoveries that shaped our world. To deepen their research, each student also prepared a detailed fact sheet outlining their scientist's most significant inventions and their lasting impact on humanity. This hands-on approach effectively combined scientific inquiry with literacy and public speaking, fostering a genuine passion for how things work.



# HEALTHY FOOD DAY



Healthy Food Day was celebrated by the Grade 1, 2, and 3 students to promote awareness about healthy eating habits. The children brought nutritious food from home and spoke confidently about its health benefits. Some students also shared their food with classmates, learning valuable lessons about sharing and caring. The activity helped students understand the importance of making healthy food choices for a balanced and healthy lifestyle.





# THE QUEEN'S COMMONWEALTH ESSAY COMPETITION 2025

## GOLD MEDAL WINNERS



**SAI SHRADHA 9E**



**SABA SAEED 8B**

## SILVER MEDAL WINNERS



**TANYA JHA 9C**



**EMAN KADIJA 9F**



**FATIMA AZIZ UL HAQ 9B**

## BRONZE MEDAL WINNERS



**JESSICA JOYS 9E**



**HIBA MAHMOOD 10E**



**ANSHIKA SWAIN 9E**



**KATHRYN JOAN 9E**

Students from our school achieved remarkable success at the Queen's Commonwealth Competition, winning gold, silver, and bronze awards. Their creative submissions showcased thoughtful reflections on global themes and highlighted their writing prowess. The competition encouraged students to express their views on unity, diversity, and leadership within the Commonwealth. Winning these prestigious awards is a testament to their talent, diligence, and global awareness.

# CREATIVE WRITING COMPETITION

The Creative Writing Competition was a showcase of imagination and literary talent. Students from Grades 1 to AS-level participated in the competition on 29<sup>th</sup> September. The entries displayed originality, emotional depth, and excellent command of language. Judges commended the students. Winners were chosen based on their creativity and attention to detail.

## GRADE 4



1<sup>ST</sup>- THAI 4 F



2<sup>ND</sup>- SIFAH 4 B



3<sup>RD</sup>- AARON 4 B

## GRADE 5



1<sup>ST</sup>- REYANSH 5E



2<sup>ND</sup>- MONICA 5B



2<sup>ND</sup>- AISHA 5C



3<sup>RD</sup>- LEEN 5B



3<sup>RD</sup>- VARSHA 5C

## GRADE 6



1<sup>ST</sup>- ESHAN 6D



2<sup>ND</sup>- TOOBA 6C



3<sup>RD</sup>- HUMNA 6C

The competition not only nurtured a love for writing but also encouraged students to express themselves and explore new ideas. It was a resounding success, fostering a vibrant literary culture in the school.

## GRADE 7



1<sup>ST</sup>- JAEDYN 7C



2<sup>ND</sup>- INAYA 7B



3<sup>RD</sup>- USAIDUL 7F



1<sup>ST</sup>- DINA 8E



2<sup>ND</sup>- OJASVI 8E



3<sup>RD</sup>- AFFANI 8C

## GRADE 8

## GRADE 9



1<sup>ST</sup>- ARHAN 9D



2<sup>ND</sup>- ASMA 9B



2<sup>ND</sup>- ABHINAV 9E



3<sup>RD</sup>- NICOLE 9A

## GRADE 10



1<sup>ST</sup>- ZEHRA



2<sup>ND</sup>- AARYAN



3<sup>RD</sup>- AIESHA



3<sup>RD</sup>- KALISTA

## GRADE 11



1<sup>ST</sup>- NARAEN 11C



2<sup>ND</sup>- ATHARVA 11D



3<sup>RD</sup>- HASNA 11A

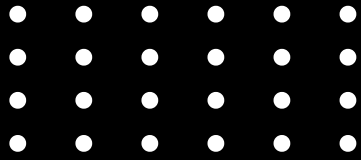


3<sup>RD</sup>- A MATEEN 11C

# DEBATE WEEK

As part of Debating Week, students from Grades 7, 8, and 9 actively participated in debates during their English classes. A wide range of thought-provoking topics encouraged learners to think critically and view issues from multiple perspectives. The debates helped students organise their ideas, form logical arguments, and express opinions confidently. Learners were challenged to listen attentively, respond respectfully, and support their views with reasons and examples. The activity also strengthened their language skills. Overall, the debates promoted teamwork, confidence, and meaningful classroom engagement.



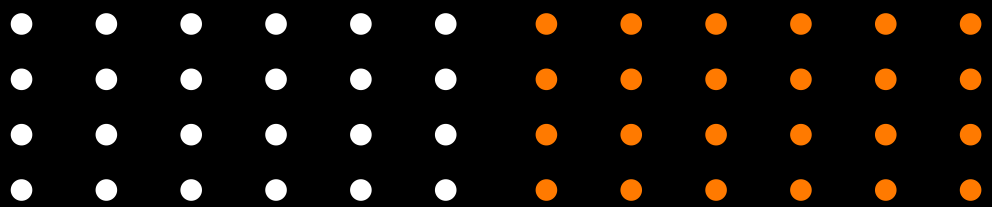


# BRINGING STORIES TO LIFE: ROLE-PLAY

Students of Grades 3–6 participated in engaging classroom role-play activities, scripting, directing, and performing their own plays. The activities enhanced academic English skills, including vocabulary, sentence structure, pronunciation, and fluency, while fostering confidence, creativity, leadership, teamwork, and expressive communication.



Grades 4 and 5 performed adaptations of Snow White and the Two Dwarfs and Little Red Riding Hood, as well as meaningful plays on water conservation and environmental care, linking learning to real-life issues. Grade 6 enacted scenes from Matilda and Goldilocks, demonstrating effective narration and voice modulation. Overall, the role-plays provided an enjoyable, experiential learning experience, strengthening collaboration and empowering students to express their ideas confidently.



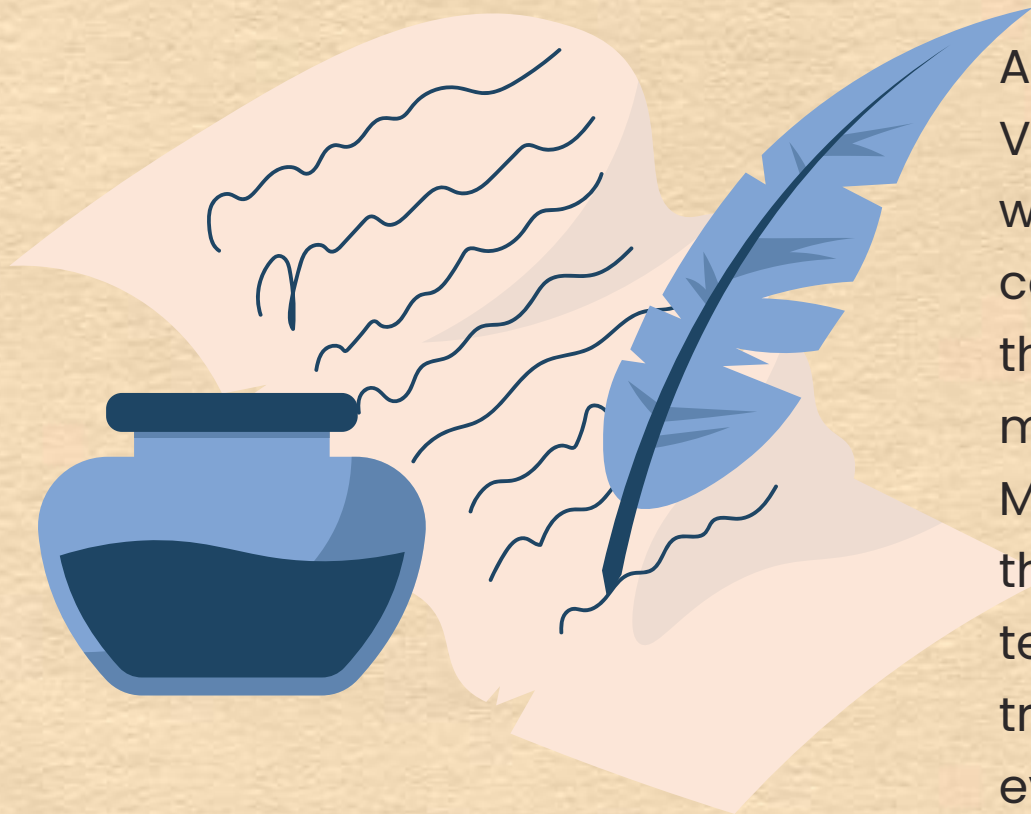


# POETIC HEART CEREMONY

The Poetic Heart Ceremony held in Dubai was an inspiring celebration of creativity, expression, and perseverance. The atmosphere was filled with anticipation as young poets shared their thoughts, experiences, and values through powerful performances.



A special highlight was Aaron Vishmitha, a Grade 9 MIS student whose poem 'Keep on Going' beautifully conveyed the message of perseverance in the face of challenges. The event also marked the fifth consecutive year of Merryland students finding their voice through poetry. Thanks to our school, teachers, and past poets for keeping this tradition alive. After all, poetry belongs to everyone who dares to express themselves—one line at a time.



# Poetry Writing Competition

The Poetry Writing Competition was held on 5 May 2026. Students from Grades 1 to 9 participated enthusiastically. They wrote poems on various topics related to the UAE, expressing their thoughts and emotions through meaningful words and vivid imagery. The participants showcased remarkable creativity and imagination. The judges highly appreciated their ability to convey ideas effectively and lauded their nuanced poetic skills.



## GRADE 1



1<sup>ST</sup>- DEWULI -1A



1<sup>ST</sup>- ESHAN - 1B



2<sup>ND</sup>-DHRUVI -1B



2<sup>ND</sup>-LULOWA -1A



3<sup>RD</sup>- MUNAM -1F



3<sup>RD</sup>- ZAIN -1F

## GRADE 2



1<sup>ST</sup>- MD HAADI -2G



2<sup>ND</sup>- REEM -2C



3<sup>RD</sup>- NOOR-2E



1<sup>ST</sup>- NOLAN -3C



2<sup>ND</sup>- ZARA - 3F



3<sup>RD</sup>- AHMED- 3E

## GRADE 3

## GRADE 4



1<sup>ST</sup>- AKI - 4F



2<sup>ND</sup>- THAI -4F



3<sup>RD</sup>- MADHUSRINIKA-4E



1<sup>ST</sup>- MEGHMITRA-5C



1<sup>ST</sup>- AVANTHIKAA-5A



2<sup>ND</sup>- GITA SHRI-5F



3<sup>RD</sup>- VARSHA- 5C

## GRADE 5

## GRADE 6



1<sup>ST</sup>-AYANA - 6E



1<sup>ST</sup>-VAISHNAVI - 6C



2<sup>ND</sup>-ALISHA -6F



2<sup>ND</sup>-JIYAAN -6E



3<sup>RD</sup>- AHMED -6F

## GRADE 7

## GRADE 8



1<sup>ST</sup>- JAEDYN -7C



2<sup>ND</sup>- MAHROSH -7B



3<sup>RD</sup>- SANVI -7C



1<sup>ST</sup>- OJASVI - 8E



2<sup>ND</sup>- ABDURAHMAN - 8C



3<sup>RD</sup>- REMAS-8D

## GRADE 9



1<sup>ST</sup>- KATHRYN -9E



2<sup>ND</sup>- AARON - 9C



3<sup>RD</sup>- EMILY -9C

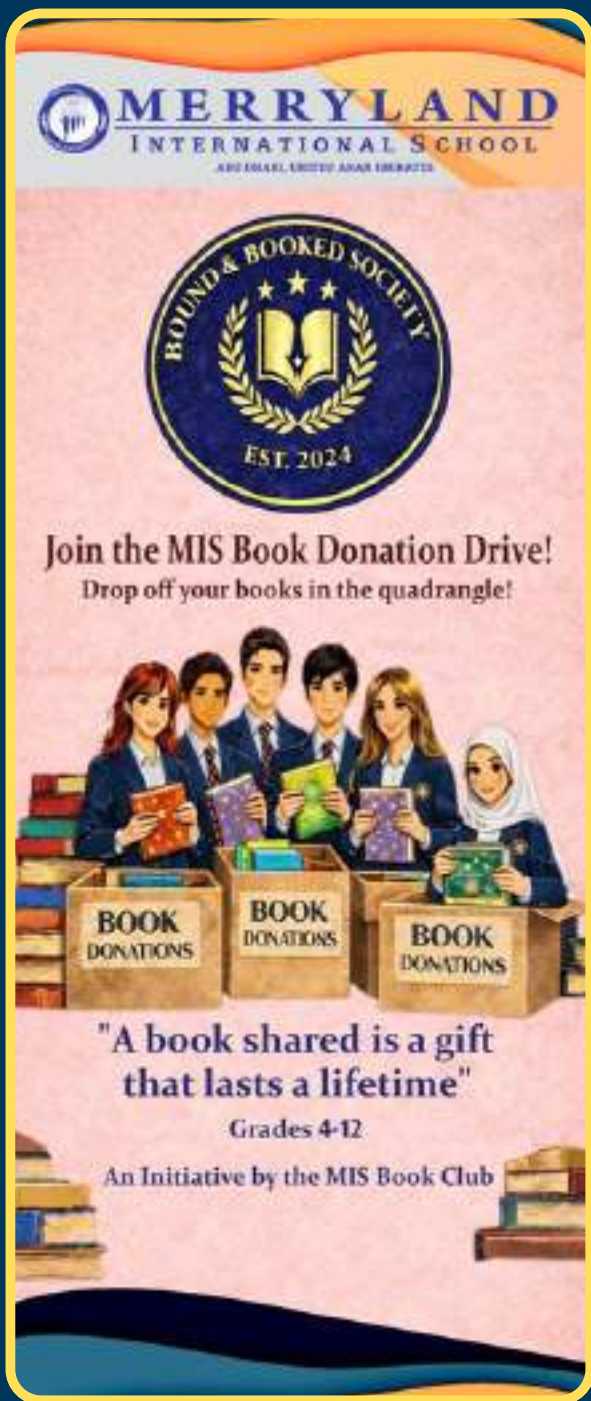


3<sup>RD</sup>- MD YAHYA-9D





# Book Donation Drive



Book Donation drive is an important aspect of the Dept. of English . This activity encourages all students of the school to donate books for those who have limited access to reading materials. It also promotes the values of kindness and a social responsibility among students. This year, the book donation drive was held from February 2 to February 6. Students across all grades generously donated books spanning a wide range of genres, including fiction, non-fiction, encyclopedias,

classics, modern literature, bestsellers, mystery, fantasy, science fiction, adventure, historical fiction, biographies, poetry, self-help, science, technology, and children's literature. The collected books were donated to an NGO, which distributes them to students from less privileged backgrounds, helping to promote literacy and a love for reading. It was a noble initiative, and the members of the Book Club deserve special appreciation for organizing and coordinating this meaningful event.



# MY FAVOURITE BOOK



## READING WEEK

During Reading Week, students enthusiastically shared their favourite books with peers and created informative PowerPoint presentations highlighting key details, authors, plots, genres, and central themes.



They reflected on the stories' messages, connected them to real-life experiences, and expanded their knowledge of new authors and genres. Learners also wrote summaries and personal insights in their composition notebooks. Overall, Reading Week fostered a love for literature, encouraged critical thinking, and inspired thoughtful discussion among students.





# CHARACTER DAY

High school Character Day was celebrated on 25th September with great enthusiasm, allowing students to embody their favourite literary and historical figures. The event was aimed at encouraging creativity, self-expression, and culture, as participants were given themes to dress up as famous personalities or characters from literature, history, mythology, traditions, and films.

The school corridors came alive with vibrant costumes and creative interpretations. Activities included storytelling, role-play, and a parade where participants shared facts about their chosen characters. The event fostered empathy, creativity, and public speaking skills, as students learned about diverse personalities and their contributions to society. Overall, Character Day was a memorable experience that aimed to encourage reading and instil values such as integrity, courage, and kindness.







Students are encouraged to actively participate in their learning, building confidence in using Arabic within a supportive environment that fosters thinking, creativity, and effective expression.



# Arabic Role-play

This role play, performed by Islamic students, creatively demonstrates the moral teachings of Islam, encouraging them to understand and apply these values in real-life situations.



# Arabic Recitation

This recitation activity gives our KG students the opportunity to recite with joy and confidence, fostering a love for learning and an early connection to Islamic values.



# Biography of Prophet Mohammad (PBUH)

In this activity, students explore the life and biography of Prophet Mohammad (PBUH), learning about his message, character, and exemplary conduct. Through these lessons, they gain a deeper understanding of faith, honesty, patience, and the importance of practicing good behavior in their daily lives.





# Arabic Reading Week

## Igniting Imagination and a Love for Knowledge

In an atmosphere rich with enthusiasm and learning, the school celebrated Arabic Reading Week as classrooms and hallways came alive with imagination and ideas. Students engaged in storytelling, book discussions, and creative reading workshops, fostering a love for reading while enhancing their thinking and expression skills. The week highlighted reading as not only a vital skill, but an enjoyable journey that inspires curiosity and a passion for knowledge.





The "Book in a Box" project offers students a creative journey in storytelling through visual arts, encouraging collaboration with their teachers and fostering imaginative expression.



# BOOK IN A BOX

## WHERE CREATIVITY, STORYTELLING, AND SUSTAINABILITY MEET

Students craft dioramas—miniature artistic representations of scenes from a chosen book— by placing their work inside a small box.

Emphasizing sustainability, the final dioramas are designed primarily using recycled materials, reflecting our commitment to nurturing a responsible and creative future generation.



# Qur'an Memorization Competition

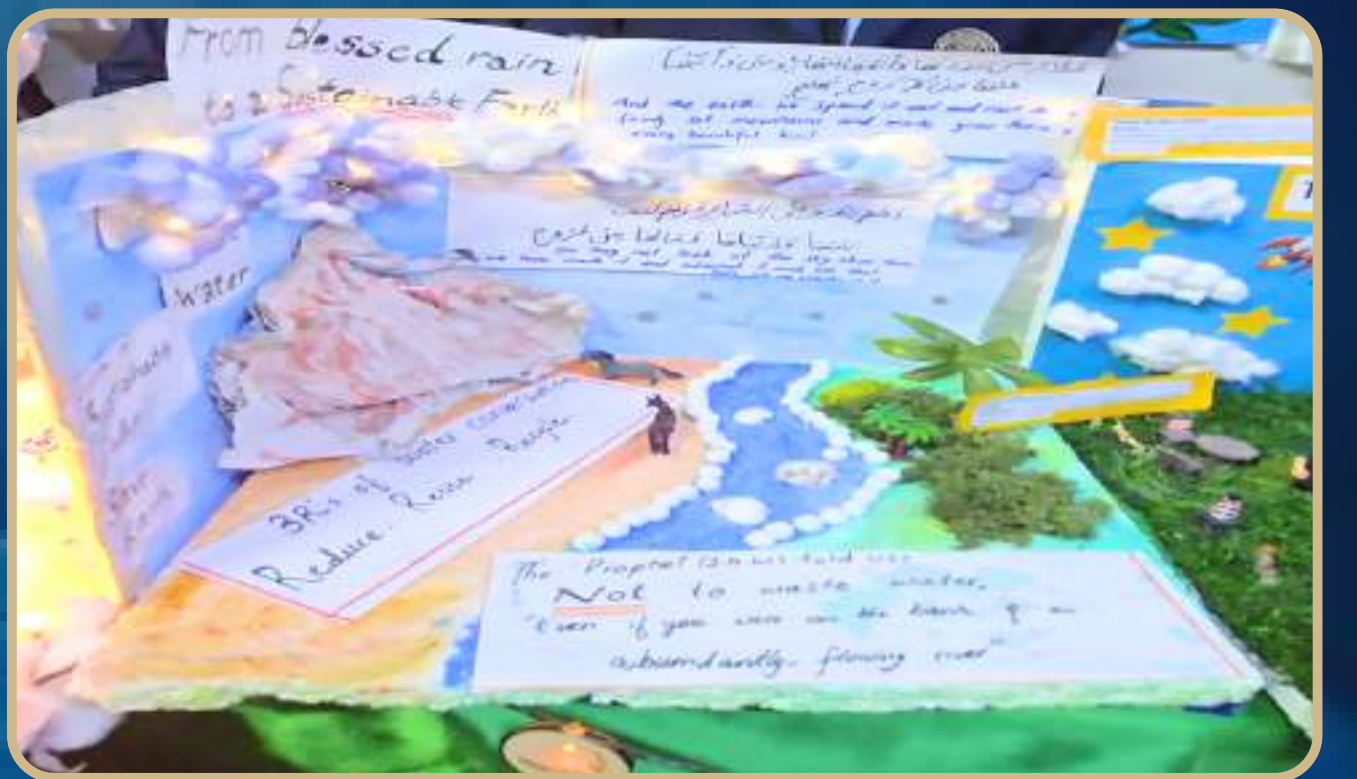
The highlight of the term was our Qur'an Memorization (Hifz) Competition, which brought together students from across grade levels to recite selected Surahs with accuracy, beautiful tajweed, and heartfelt devotion.



The event celebrated not only the gift of memorization but also the discipline, patience, and love for the Book of Allah(SWT) that our students have cultivated throughout the year. Participants were assessed by a panel of teachers on accuracy of memorization, correct application of tajweed rules, fluency, and clarity of voice. The atmosphere was both competitive and beautifully spiritual, with the recitations filling the hall and reminding everyone of the timeless words: "Indeed, We have made the Qur'an easy to remember." (Surah Al-Qamar, 54:17)

# ISLAMIC EXPO (SDG)

Working in groups, students researched topics and presented creative project displays – connecting faith to knowledge, and building confidence in public speaking.



# LEADERS OF THE NATION

Students explored the lives and achievements of UAE leaders through drawings, posters, videos, and writings. They learned about H.H. Sheikh Zayed, H. H. Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed, and H. H. Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid, discovering how these leaders built the nation, promoted innovation, and balanced heritage with progress.



The activities inspired pride, loyalty, and appreciation for the vision that has made the UAE a global model of success.





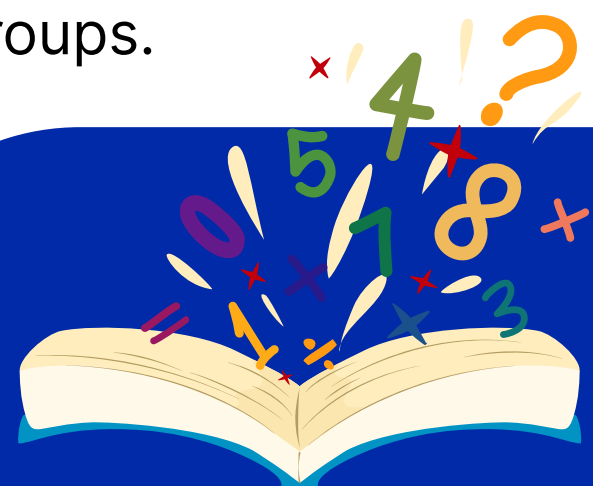
# RECITATION OF SURAH KAWTHAR





## WORLD MATH CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS

In the World Math Championship, with participation from approximately 30 countries worldwide, students from our school achieved commendable success. **Muhammed Nahyan Grade 3F** won the Gold Medal with a 90th percentile, **Tanya Jha Grade 9C** secured the Silver Medal with an impressive 96th percentile, and **Zuhaa Kamran Grade 6E** earned the Bronze Medal with a 90th percentile. In addition to the medal winners, several students from various grades were recognised with certificates for their strong performance, highlighting widespread mathematical talent across different age groups.



# BEST SCHOOL AWARD

## WORLD MATH CHAMPIONSHIP

Our school was honoured with the Best School Award at the World Math Championship, an international competition with participation from approximately 30 countries.

This recognition reflects the collective excellence, dedication, and consistent performance of our students across multiple grade levels. The achievement highlights our school's strong commitment to nurturing mathematical thinking and global competitiveness.



# INTERNATIONAL MATHEMATICAL OLYMPIAD (IMO)



The International Mathematical Olympiad (IMO) is the world's most prestigious Mathematics competition for high school students, conducted annually in different countries. Students from around the globe participate to showcase their mathematical talent and problem-solving skills. Merryland International School has proudly achieved remarkable success in this competition, winning many awards and recognitions over the years, reflecting the school's commitment to academic excellence and mathematical innovation.

This year, three outstanding students — **Rehan Insara Gunarathna, Janaki Aneesh, and Harish Rajkumar** — achieved the prestigious **Champion's Trophy** for their exceptional performance. In addition, **22 students earned the National Champions Trophy**, bringing great pride and honor to the school community through their remarkable achievement in Mathematics.

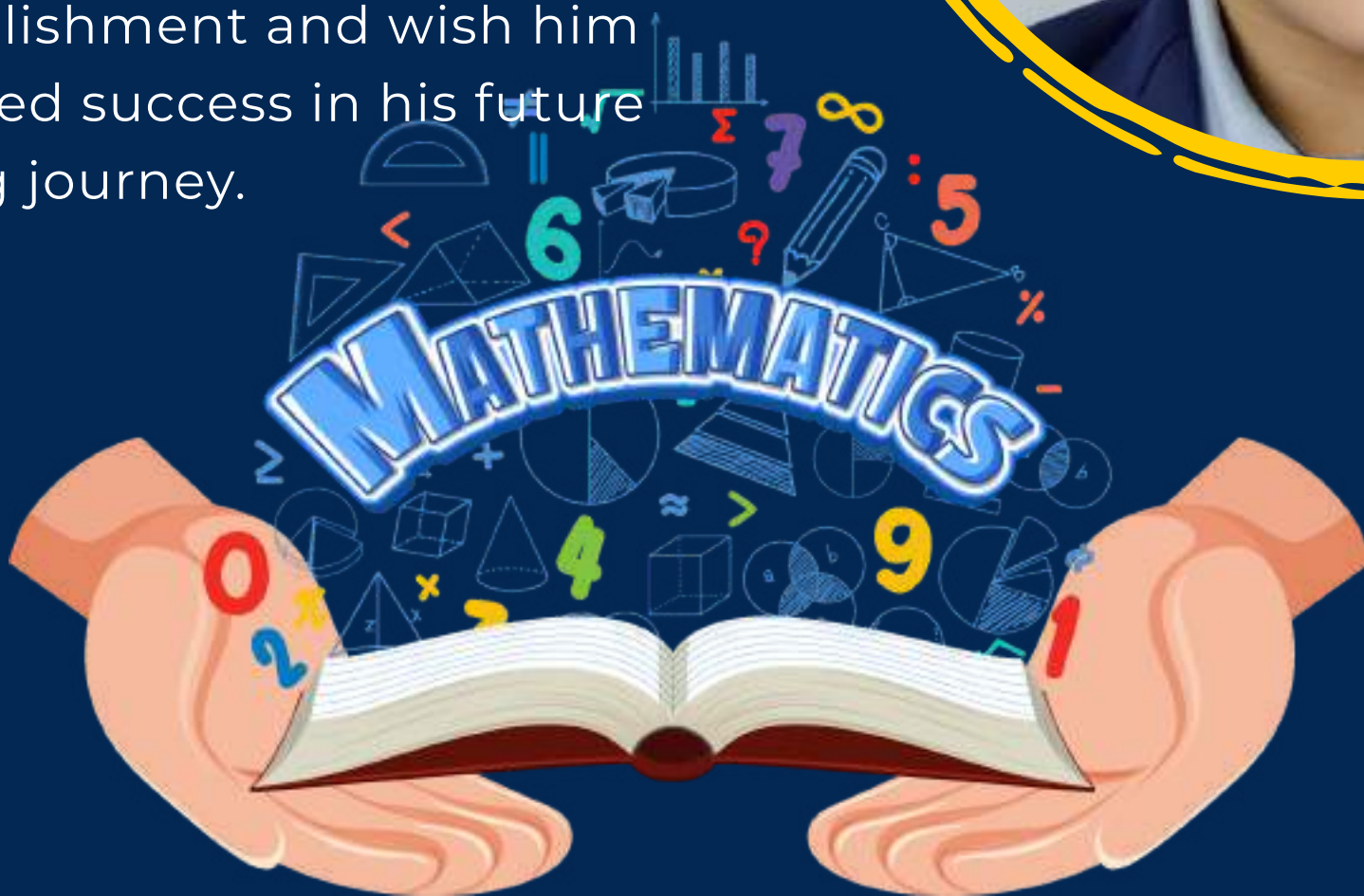


# Young MATHEMATICAL

## Story Authors Competition

Congratulations to Yousef Amgad (KG2D)!

We are delighted to celebrate the achievement of Yousef Amgad of KG2D, whose story "The Fun Journey of Number Blocks" has been longlisted in the prestigious Young Mathematical Story Authors (YMSA) 2026 Competition. Selected from 2,479 entries submitted by students from 141 schools across 34 countries, this recognition reflects Yousef's outstanding creativity, mathematical thinking, and storytelling skills. We are immensely proud of his accomplishment and wish him continued success in his future learning journey.



# INFINITY 2025

## MATH HAS NO LIMITS



# INFINITY

# 2025

The Infinity 2025 event was inaugurated on December 5th, 2025, in the school auditorium.

The celebration was opened by a welcoming speech from the Math Pi Club President. The event highlighted the creativity, logic, and wonder of Mathematics through various engaging performances and activities.

It was a memorable occasion for the entire Merryland community, witnessed by students, teachers, and parents.

The hosts for Math Day – Infinity 2025 demonstrated exceptional poise and vibrant energy, confidently introducing each event with clarity and enthusiasm. Their engaging stage presence ensured smooth transitions and kept the entire audience connected, adding both professionalism and charm to the celebration.

The Kindergarten students dazzled the audience with a colourful 3D Shape Fashion Parade, proudly showcasing various geometric shapes. Each child confidently explained their shape and shared where it can be seen in real life, connecting mathematics to the world around them. Their vibrant performance brought creativity, learning, and joyful exploration together on the Infinity 2025 stage.

