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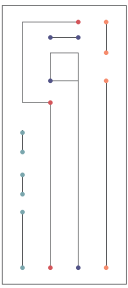
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Director's Message

We have moved! And given the complexity of the challenge, it has gone smoothly. The spaciousness, light, new facilities and new student lockers, make us all so happy! Each day more and more services come on line: security protocols, evacuation drills, photocopier, and a hundred other things that work in the background.

One significant highlight is our new caterer, Torba Market. They provided a taste test on Tuesday and we were all quite impressed. Student feedback was very good as I believe they recognized the freshness and quality of

the food. No other school has its own chef and organic gardens! We are now waiting on their menus and price schemes.

Qatar National Day Parent Meeting: 5 December, 8am at QAST.

This is an opportunity for all parents to provide suggestions for our Qatar National Day Celebration on the **12 December**. Thank you to Fatima Al-Kuwari who is already working with us to support the event. Torba will be catering for our meeting to allow you to taste their food selections, so please RSVP to me, if you would like to come along, so that we can be sure to have enough food.

Dr. Greg Moncada, Director QAST



QAST win at the International year of the Periodic Table competition

Science India Forum Qatar (SIFO), in association with QF, celebrated the International Year of the Periodic Table last weekend. The event attracted over 150 excelling young scientists and a host of dignitaries, including our very own Dr Gregory, invited to explore the role of the periodic table past, present and future. Students were challenged to an open quiz before a thrilling inter-school competition to introduce the separate chemical elements in the most innovative way. QAST had two groups at the event QNGGN Daily News and the Chemical Cell Mates. Whilst all students were recognised as exceptional, the chemical element cell mates being pressed to explain their crimes against humanity, took the win. More pictures online:

www.qast.qa/en/Gallery/Periodic-Table-Event



Welcome Miss Jeanetta!

We are delighted to welcome our new English teacher, Miss Jeanetta, who joins us from the USA. She was made to feel very welcome by Grade 10 students who created a welcome hamper and card for her. Special thank you to Salwa and Fajer for organising this.



QAST Open House

Our sincere gratitude to parents, students and staff who came to support us at our first Open House Event of this academic year. It was great for potential new families to get to meet our QAST community.

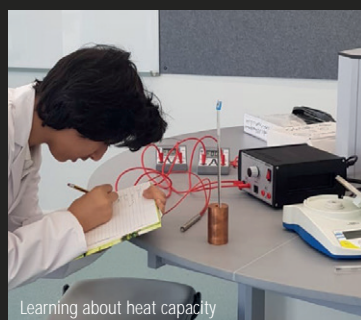
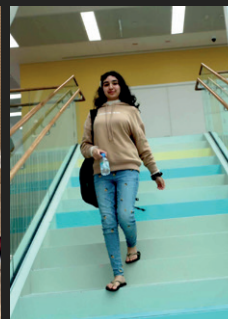


This has been such an exciting first week in our new school with so many things going on, including: Exploring heat capacity in the Physics labs, playing basketball at break in the gym, delivering poetry recitals in the theatre room and bringing engineering to life in Mr Peter's new 'Engineerium'!

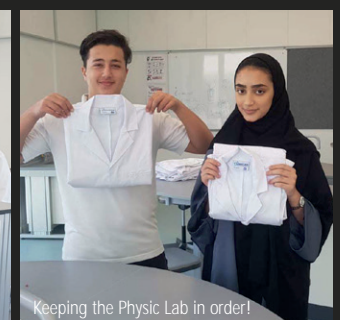
We also sampled the delicious food from Torba Market in our new cafeteria; launched a new project on product design using recycled plastics with Torba and Texas A&M, and Grade 9's started the Water Security project. We even had our first fire drill!

More pictures online:
www.qast.qa/en/Gallery/New-School

OUR NEW SCHOOL!



Learning about heat capacity



Keeping the Physic Lab in order!



Catering samples from Torba Market



Launch of a plastics project with Grade 8

Principal's Message

Parents,

We have successfully moved into the new building. It feels great to have our own space. We are always welcoming you to come to see the new school at any time and we can show you around.

Please continue to send food with your children to school. We are close to having the vendor set up their cafeteria, but they still need more time. I have also noticed that many students do not eat at school and I encourage you to have a conversation with your children about the need to eat during school to stay healthy and focused.

QAST Principal, Sam Abrams



Please note, we will be conducting school tours every Wednesday at 10am starting next week. This is for prospective students and families to find out about our school and take an initial entry assessment. Booking is via: <http://qast.openapply.eu>



Extra QAST

Best of luck to Adham who is taking part in The World Mathematics Team Championships in Seoul, South Korea, as part of the Qatar Foundation Team!

The WMTC is an international competition created by Berkley University Professor, Dr. Quan Lam to promote mathematics, foster team building skills and develop cultural connections. Over 1000 students from around the world are participating. The QFS Gifted Department hosted the qualifying tests and the selection process to represent Qatar was carried out by Professor Yilma from Carnegie Mellon University. The top students from the competition are awarded scholarships to Berkeley University California. We are delighted for Adham and wish him the very best of luck!



Dates for Your Diary

Date	Time	Activity
5 Dec	8 am	Qatar National Day Parent Meeting at QAST
12 Dec	TBC	Qatar National Day Celebrations at QAST
17 Dec	1 pm	Close for the winter break.

Clubs


Please note the QAST after school clubs:

Sunday: Football, Debate
Monday: Eco-Schools
Wednesday: Chess, Robotics

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