

## Public Speaking Competition

We were so excited to have our annual Public Speaking Competition again this year! The students in Grades 3-6 worked very hard on their poems and speeches. Teachers are very proud of all the students as public speaking isn't easy. We would like to announce the results of the Public Speaking event that was held in January & February.

The winners are:

### Grade 3

First - Bella Permana 3A

Second - Nabeel Khalaf 3C

Third - Elyshia Ndungu 3B

Masters of ceremonies: Grace Elias & George Dakhil



### Grade 4

First - Maryam Abdul Azeez 4B

Second - Yousef Bakr 4C

Third - Naya Jazmati 4C

Masters of ceremonies: Harrean Peach Olaivar, Talia Yafawi & Vincent Centeno



### Grade 5

First - Madiya Mohamed 5B

Second - Jawad Al Mulhem 5B

Third - Wisam Abdo 5C

Master of ceremonies: Zaid Tabaza



### Grade 6

First - Omar Yousry 6A

Second - Meriel Elias 6D

Third - Judy Bakr 6A

Master of ceremonies: Karim Nahas



A huge congratulations to the winners and the finalists. Thank you to all the masters of ceremonies from each grade. A special thank you to Ms. Kim and the public speaking committee for organizing the event.

Mrs. Lindsay T. (Grd. 4 Homeroom Teacher & Public Speaking Organizer)





## 100 Days of School

This month KG2 celebrated 100 days of school. The KG2 children have learned a lot since the beginning of the year, and on Friday 2nd February they celebrated the fact that they are 100 days smarter. The children dressed up as if they were 100 years old and engaged in activities associated with the number 100. One of the activities was to count to 100 by 10s while making adorable Cheerio necklaces in the process!-

*Ms. Leona M.- KG2 Teacher*





## AGS students at Sports

Sports is a big part in the AGS community. Aside from our sport teams, some students across grade levels thrive to develop their skills in other fields in sports such as Jiu Jitsu, tennis, basketball, figure skating and more making us proud to share their accomplishments with the school's community. This month students Omar Aly (grade 6) and Hamza Aly (grade 12) have been selected to be ball kids on Center Court in the WTA Women's Mubadala Abu Dhabi Open after two months of training. Omar Aly Gr 6, he participated in 2 Tennis Federation tournaments, U12 and U14. The U12 tournament he got runner-up, in the Zayed Sports City tournament. The U14 tournament he got 1st place, in the Global Tennis Academy tournament. Noor Mhanna (grade 10) and Laila Kemmous (grade 12) participated in figure skating in Skate Emirates 2024 held at Dubai Sports Society. Laila earning the gold medal in Silver Women category and Noor earning 4th place in the pre bronze category. Congratulations to all!!







## Good Books for *YOU*

AGS Library and Little Thinkers were excited to offer this year's version of our Book Fair the week of February 26 to March 1, 2024.

This is not only a wonderful chance to purchase books for your children to use at home but AGS is able to turn its profits into books for our Library. Thank you to everyone for their continued support.

*Mrs. Ruth G. – School Librarian*



## Sharing experiences and guided learning in Science

The Grade 4s have been learning about the properties of light for their Science class. Some of the outcomes align with Grade 8 science, and Mr. Manny's class was generous to host Ms. Lindsay's Grade 4C class and teach them about light and reflection! Working in groups, the Grade 8 students were very knowledgeable in concave and convex lenses and showed examples to the grade 4s. The Grade 4s received a terrific guided hands-on learning experience! Thanks to the Grade 8s for helping out the younger students! *Mr. Manny Y. (Jr. Science Teacher)*

Here is an example of what some students had to say about the experience:

*"My buddy helped me understand the difference between concave and convex lenses. I would definitely want to try it again."* - Naya Jazmati Grd. 4.



## A Growing Business Started by Rakan Jolloka (grade II)

I'm excited to share with you the journey I've embarked on with Share Tap, my entrepreneurial venture. It all began with a simple moment at a local coffee shop, where the idea struck me while interacting with a Google review card. Inspired by this encounter, my team and I developed digital business cards equipped with NFC tags, enabling users to access customizable websites with a simple tap on their phones. This innovation reflects my commitment to streamlining networking and enhancing digital connectivity in our evolving business landscape. Through collaborations with various businesses, including Enhance Fitness, Mosaic Restaurant, Kaza Akla, Ombre Cafe, Le Pure, Dosor Properties, Strolla, Interactive Telecom, Smart Step Learning Center, Mamafri, and many others, I've strived to meet diverse customer demands and foster meaningful connections like Abu Dhabi media and UAE Times. Now that featured my business in an article. I'm proud to lead this initiative and look forward to its continued success.

Here is the link to read the article made by the UAE times about Rakan's business

<https://uaetimesnow.com/introducing-sharetap-your-digital-companion-for-seamless-information-access/?amp=1>

### *Rakan's experience after meeting with Ms. Fatima, AGS School Director*

I informed Ms. Fatima about my business venture, and she displayed great receptiveness towards the idea. She requested two business cards from me. Upon completing the cards, I visited her office where she warmly welcomed me and expressed her admiration for the designs. She mentioned her appreciation for students engaging in entrepreneurial activities outside of their academic pursuits. This encouragement fueled my motivation not only to sustain my business but also to represent our school proudly.

