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## **GISAD NEWSLETTER**

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## **New colleagues for the school year 2021/22**

TEACHING STAFF, KINDERGARTEN AND AFTERNOON CARE



Primary School

Dear GISAD parents and students,

My name is Dr. Yasser Battikh, I hold a master's and doctorate degrees in Arab and Islamic studies, in addition to a general diploma in education. This qualifies me as a teacher of Arabic and Islamic Studies. I have many publications and research published in my field of specialization. My focus of interest is in teaching the Arabic language with the latest educational methods and curricula. I hope to raise a generation that will be able to learn, master and adapt the Arabic language to help them understand modern sciences.

I currently teach Arabic and Islamic religion to second graders who are native speakers in Arabic.

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Dear parents and students of GISAD,

My name is Mirja Schatzinger and I am looking forward to meeting you. I studied elementary and secondary education in Freiburg and completed my 2nd state exam in Hessen. Since then, I have been able to gain a lot of exciting experience at various schools abroad, the last six years I was at the German School in Malaysia. I am very much looking forward to the new task in the primary school area of GISAD!

## Offers for the GISAD Community

ADMINISTRATION

Dear GISAD community,

we are always looking for a way to make you and your children smile. Below is an overview of various offers for GISAD.

[You can view the details of each offering here.](#)

- 20% F&B Rosewood Hotel Al Maryah Island
- 20% Food & Beverage Conrad Hotel Abu Dhabi
- 20% Food & Beverage W Hotel Abu Dhabi / 15% Spa Discount
- 20% at Pizza Di Rocco, Gino's Deli and Pasta Della Mamma
- 4 Lane Swim Academy
- Emirates Palace
- Introducing our GISAD Lufthansa Account Manager, Zohaib.

## UAE Flag Day November 3rd, 2021

GENERAL

On occasion of the UAE Flag Day on the 3rd of November people all across the Emirates will raise their flags and celebrate the efforts of the founding fathers of the state. The UAE flag symbolises peace, justice, tolerance, power and moderation. We encourage our students to reflect on the great achievements of President Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan and will celebrate the day at school with a moment of honor during a flag raising ceremony.



## ADEK Update Klasse 12

### ADMINISTRATION

We are delighted to share an announcement by ADEK that grade 12 students who are fully vaccinated may now attend P.E. lessons without the need to wear masks. P.E. teachers will continue to wear masks but do not need to maintain physical distance when engaging in sports activities. Further ADEK is launching an ADEK Sports Camp which is a football tournament for students 16 years old and above. There will be more information following but we do hope to have a GISAD team represent us!

## Member's Association Meeting 16th November, 2021

### GENERAL

The supporting organization of the German International School in Abu Dhabi is the School Member's Association, which all parents of the school automatically join when registering your child at GISAD. The school association is represented by our six-member Board of Trustees, which is elected by a general meeting. The Board of Trustees, in cooperation with the school management and the German Embassy, promotes the continuous development of the school as one of the most important international educational addresses in Abu Dhabi. The general meeting for the election of several board members will take place via a virtual call on the 16th of November at 6 p.m. If you are a new parent of the school and if you have any questions regarding the Member's Association please email the Representative of the Board, Mrs. Haack: [bdv@gisad.ae](mailto:bdv@gisad.ae)

## Exhibition at GISAD by the Goethe Institute Abu Dhabi

### GENERAL

The Goethe Institute is the Federal Republic of Germany's cultural institute, active worldwide. They promote the study of the German language and culture worldwide and encourage international exchange.

At GISAD we are very lucky to have a close-knit relationship with the Goethe Institute Abu Dhabi. For the next two weeks we will be hosting an exhibition about the German author, poet, statesman and critic; Johann Wolfgang von Goethe. Johann Wolfgang von Goethe is considered to be Germany's greatest literary figure of the modern era.

The exhibition was curated by the Goethe Institute for the Abu Dhabi International Book Fair and will now be showcased at GISAD from the 26th of October until the 8th of November. We would like to thank especially Dr. Rainer Buhtz, Deputy Director / Head of Language Department of the Goethe Institute Abu Dhabi, for opening the exhibition to our students grade 10-12 with a speech. This is particularly valuable for our students who are doing the Abitur as a literary work of J.W. Goethe, "Faust" is a central focus of the German Abitur exams.

