

## What's On

## PAAET training week gets underway



Activities of the second day of the first training week, organized by the team of the Innovation and National Business Pioneers competition, and launched by the Public Authority for Applied Education and Training in Cooperation with the Manpower Restructuring program got underway at Ibn Al-Haitham training center. The day of training included two workshops, the first was led by manpower trainer Dr Kalthoum Awad and the second was by quality and small project advisor Eng Munther Al-Maatouq. Activities of the first training week will continue until January 11.



On Sunday, a delegation of the Green Hands Environmental Team visited Omani football fans who were wounded in a stampede after a UAE-Omani Final game at Jaber Al-Ahmad International Stadium.

## Patriarchal Vicar of Jacobite Churches meets fellow heads of Churches



His Eminence Mor Eusebius Kuriakose, on his maiden visit to Kuwait after assuming the charge as Patriarchal Vicar, an appointment the Supreme Head of Antioch and All the East, HH Mor Ignatius Aphrem II has made, has met with heads of fellow churches in Kuwait. On 6th Jan 2018, Saturday Mor Eusebius met Arch Bishop of Greek Orthodox Church in Kuwait His Eminence Ghattas Hazim at his archbishopric in Salwa along with priests and officials of both churches.



The same day Mor Eusebius also met Rev. Michael Mbona, Chaplain of St. Paul's Anglican Church and Chairman of Inter Congregation Committee (ICC) in a separate meeting held at Fahahel. St Paul's Anglican Church in Ahmadi is the

oldest existing Christian worship facility in the country, where Christians of various streams worship harmoniously. Vicar of St Mary's Jacobite Syrian Church, Kuwait Rev Fr Eldo Chackkiattil and other church offi-

cial also attended the meetings. Mos Eusebius thanked both the church leaders for the support extended to Syrian Jacobite community in Kuwait and sought means to strengthen the bilateral relations further.

## FAIPS celebrates grade 1 annual day

Helping children tap their passions and talents is one of the greatest gifts we can give our children. It helps them connect to the soul of the world. Realizing that there is no greater self esteem booster than to know who you are and be passionate about what you have to offer the world. FAIPS (DPS) class 1 organized their Annual Day on 18th December 2017, based on the theme "WONDERS OF THE WORLD".

The program was graced by the chief guests Vijay Kapoor who is the owner of the 'Bestow' in Salmiya and a flourishing furnishing businessman and Banani Bose a director for an Art school. The parents eagerly took their seats expecting sublime performances by their little ones. Principal Mrs. Anju Dheman and Vice Principal

Vineeta Munshi and Headmistress Seema welcomed the chief guests and parents with warm greetings.

The program commenced with the Inaugural dance, invoking the blessings of Lord Ganesha, admired as the remover of obstacles and more generally the lord of beginnings. The Hindi and French songs presented by our young kids created an aura of happiness. The dances from the Arabian culture as well as from India added a colorful flavor and captivated both the hearts and minds of the spectators. The colorful drill display and the synchronized energetic Aerobic Dance with the glittering costumes was a thrilling and unique experience for the parents.

The program concluded with a speech by chief guests where they showered the young performers with praise for their scintillating performance. The Principal Anju Dheman congratulated the parents, teachers and students for the tremendous effort taken to make the function an event to remember. The morning of 18th December will remain inscribed in the hearts of everyone for many days to come.

## ACK achieves the new version of ISO 9001:2015

As part of ACK's commitment to providing quality higher education and training, the college is proud to announce that it has been awarded ISO 9001:2015 Certification, the most updated version of the Quality Management System Standard. ACK is the first and only private higher education institution in Kuwait that has received the ISO 9001:2015 certification, under its quality policy of adopting a continual improvement approach to ensure quality service to its students, alumni, trainees, and stakeholders while delivering ACK services through effective management of its resources and operations. The new version of this standard is based on a number of quality management principles including a leadership focus, risk based thinking, process approach and continual improvement. Applying ISO 9001:2015 helps ACK to ensure that pertinent stakeholders get consistent and good quality services.

## Procedure for re-verification of mobile connections for NRIs

A large number of overseas Indians have been making representations about facing difficulty in operating their mobile connections procured in India as the telecom operators are insisting on linking Aadhaar number with the mobile number. As most of them do not possess Aadhaar Card, they are unable to link their Indian mobile number with the Aadhaar number. The matter was taken up with the Department of Telecom (DoT) for

exempting overseas Indians from linking Aadhaar with their Indian mobile connections and issuing suitable advisory to telecom service providers (TSPs). The DoT has issued alternate procedure and format attached herewith as Annexures. The Annexures cover the following categories:

1. Subscribers of Foreign Nationality and not having Aadhaar.
2. NRI Subscribers not having Aadhaar or having mobile number not linked to his/her Aadhaar and therefore not registered with UIDAI.

All members of the Indian community in Kuwait and any foreign nationals in possession of Indian mobile connections are requested to download the information as applicable to them. For any queries/clarifications, please contact Embassy of India's PIC Wing personally or telephonically at 22550171 and 97229915 on any working day between 0900 to 1700 hours.

## KNES year 2 winter concert: 'Change the World'

Kuwait National English School recently opened its doors to host the Year 2 Winter Concert in the newly refurbished Al Faraby School Theatre. The theme of the concert was "Change the World" which is in keeping with our schools mission statement and philosophy and our school's involvement in the UNESCO project on Climate Change initiated by its headquarters in Paris. The evening comprised a variety of musical acts including songs, dances and an opening percussion ensemble by talented pupils from Year 2, which was the highlight of the evening. Pupils, in vivid and colorful costumes, paid tribute to our earth home, with particular focus on preserving the beauty of our world through song and dance.

Our school Director, Madame Chantal Al Gharabally, highlighted various issues and challenges facing our world. She further stated that our mission and focus at Kuwait National English School was in educating our little ones not only through lessons in the classroom, but also through regular assemblies and other forums to be aware of their responsibility towards tackling these issues and challenges, thereby sending off well-rounded, responsible and fully-fledged young men and women to take their rightful places in society. It was a wonderfully festive evening enjoyed by staff, pupils and parents. Madame Chantal thanked all who attended the concert and congratulated our very talented performers, staff and the music teachers for the success of the evening.

