



# Collège des Frères- Jerusalem

## Newsletter

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### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

In March 2024, our school community came together to celebrate significant events that embody values of love, respect, and unity. The month kicked off with International Women's Day, a day dedicated to honoring the achievements and contributions of women worldwide. It was a time for us to reflect on the progress made towards gender equality and to acknowledge the ongoing work needed to empower women in all aspects of life.

Shortly, the month of Ramadan has commenced, marking a significant period for Muslims worldwide to engage in fasting and prayer as a means to draw closer to God. Concurrently, Christians also observe fasting as part of their religious traditions, with this year seeing an overlap between Ramadan and Christian fasting periods. The convergence of these two religious practices presents a unique opportunity for individuals of both faiths to deepen their spiritual connections and reaffirm their commitment to living out their beliefs in alignment with shared human values.

Shortly after Women's Day, we celebrated the Feast of Mothers, a special occasion to express gratitude and appreciation for the nurturing and unconditional love our mothers. It was a time for students to show their love and respect for the women who play such an important role in shaping their lives. The school organized various activities and events to honor mothers and their figures within our community.

As we entered the Holy Week of Easter, a period of reflection and spiritual growth, our school community came together to commemorate the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. It was a time for us to deepen our faith, practice compassion, and engage in acts of service towards others. The Easter celebrations brought a sense of renewal and hope to our school as we embraced the values of forgiveness, love, and unity.

In addition to these celebrations, March 2024 marked a special moment for our school as we welcomed the new Superior Brother Habib Zraibi, who had traveled all the way from Lebanon to join our community. The arrival of the Superior brought a sense of excitement and anticipation as we looked forward to their leadership and guidance in shaping the future of our school.

Overall, March 2024 was a month brimming with meaningful events that highlighted the importance of honoring women, cherishing mothers, reflecting on spiritual values, and embracing new beginnings. It was a time for our school community to come together in unity and celebration, fostering a sense of belonging and shared purpose.

**Brother Daoud Kassabry, FSC**  
Principal

## MUN of the Jerusalem school March 2, 2024

Our students (Grade 8 &9) participated today in the Model United Nations (MUN) of the Jerusalem school in Jerusalem.

The Model United Nations (MUN) is an educational simulation and academic activity that allows students to learn about diplomacy, international relations, and the United Nations.

We would like to extend our heartfelt congratulations to the students who received awards for their outstanding performance in the MUN model.

Omar Husseini, George Karkar, Saif Jubeh, Ander Bahbah, Christian Said

Your hard work, commitment, and ability to think critically and creatively have paid off, and we are incredibly proud of your achievements. We hope that this recognition will motivate you to continue pursuing your passions and interests in the future.

Special thanks to our Coash Mr. Ibrahim Abo Dalou.



## Farm-themed activity March 4, 2024

We are excited to share with you the wonderful experience your children had participating in our farm-themed activity. During this activity, the kids had a fantastic time riding a simulated tractor, immersing themselves in the fun and excitement of farm life. They also engaged in creative colouring sessions, where they learned the names of various animals commonly found on farms. From fluffy sheep to quacking ducks, each animal was beautifully brought to life with vibrant colours and imagination. Furthermore, our little learners had the opportunity to showcase their artistic talents as they coloured depictions of barns, a quintessential feature of any farm landscape. We are thrilled to witness the enthusiasm and joy your children displayed throughout the activity, and we look forward to providing more enriching experiences in the future.





### Capoeira activity March 2, 2024

Capoeira is a Brazilian martial art that combines elements of dance, acrobatics, and music. It is known for its quick and complex movements, often involving sweeps, kicks, and spins. Our students (6 GRADE) engaged in Capoeira as an activity to not only improve their physical fitness but also to learn about Brazilian culture and history. Through practicing Capoeira, they developed agility, coordination, and strength while also experiencing the rich traditions and rhythms of this unique art form.



### Stimulating Mathematics Activity March 2, 2024

In a recent educational initiative, students in grades 3 and 4 engaged in a stimulating mathematics activity that aimed to enhance their numerical skills and problem-solving abilities. The activity involved interactive exercises, group discussions, and hands-on tasks designed to make learning math enjoyable and engaging for the young learners. Through this initiative, students had the opportunity to explore various mathematical concepts, practice critical thinking, and develop a deeper understanding of mathematical principles. By actively participating in such activities, students not only improve their math proficiency but also cultivate a positive attitude towards learning and problem-solving. SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR TEACHER QUEEN AND MIRNA



## Program for Mothers

March 2, 2024

Recently, the school arranged a special session for moms with the goal of bringing them peace and quiet. In order to help moms relax and de-stress, the programme included mindfulness exercises and relaxation techniques. To further create a tranquil atmosphere, aromatherapy and relaxing music were also featured during the event. Mothers conveyed appreciation for the chance to concentrate on their health and rejuvenate in a tranquil setting. All things considered; the programme was a huge success in encouraging mental wellbeing throughout the school community. A SPECIAL THANK TO MS. MUNA HAZOU AND MS. DIALA KATANASHO.



## Extracurricular Activity March 4, 2024

Engaging 11th and 12th graders in a stimulating extracurricular activity by exploring the benefits of play-dough. Foster creativity, relieve stress, and enhance fine motor skills through hands-on play. this skill encourages cooperation and communication while providing a fun and enriching experience for students.



## Congratulations March 4, 2024

Mr. Issa Deeb, Deputy Principal for Secondary School, presented congratulatory letters to some students for their academic progress during the second semester and with the aim of reinforcement before the start of the two-month exams.



## New letters to be learned March 6, 2024

We learned the letter in English "thsd" and recognized the name of the letter, its sound and its words, and we did a practical application of soap effectiveness. The pupils investigated the letter "M," a crucial element in the development of early reading, as part of our curriculum



## Computer maintenance session March 7, 2024

Our students actively participate in a computer maintenance session at the YMCA. Under the guidance of the skilled trainer, they are learning essential skills and techniques to maintain and troubleshoot computer systems effectively. The dedication and expertise of the trainer contributes to the students' learning experience, equipping them with valuable knowledge in computer maintenance.



## Academic guidance program March 12, 2024

As part of the academic guidance program for 12th grade literary and scientific students, students are targeted and accompanied by providing individual counseling for each student in terms of examining the desire, inclinations, and admission criteria of local universities. These activities come in cooperation with the Ruwwad Center for Higher Education, coordinated by the school's educational guidance department.



## Family spiritual day March 10, 2024

we are delighted to inform you that the Lasallian mothers organized a beautiful spiritual day for families. The day commenced with a heartwarming Eucharistic celebration at the Shepherd Field and concluded with a delightful lunch and fun games at the Latin Parish. Many thanks to the Lasallian mothers who organized this event, we enjoyed this special day of togetherness and spirituality!"



## Pink day March 18, 2024

Our kindergarteners enjoyed a very enjoyable Pink Day!

Our small ones started a fun-filled adventure today honouring the letter P and the colour pink! Enjoying delectable pink treats. The day was filled with happiness and education.

With great excitement, they ventured into the realm of 'P', savouring delicious pizza and enjoying this delightful pink confections. Every moment was full of fun and enthusiasm, from colouring images of the letter P to indulging in a delicious pink cake.



## Mothers' day March 20, 2024

The kindergarten class celebrated Mother's Day with a joyful ceremony, full of dancing and singing, bringing happiness to all the mothers in attendance. The children expressed their love and appreciation for their mothers through various heartfelt activities.



## Mothers' day March 21, 2024

Mother's Day was joyfully observed by the primary section of De La Salle School Jerusalem, complete with singing, dancing, and well-wishes for all mothers. Together, the children showed their appreciation and respect for the mother figures in their life by performing, dancing, and sending good wishes. It was a touching occasion that strengthened ties throughout the school community and left a lasting impression on the mothers and pupils alike.



## Preparing Biscuits Mother's Day March 21, 2024

In honour of Mother's Day, grade 5 children and their moms took part in a biscuit-making project led by our teacher Claire. As part of the activity, the mothers and pupils gathered in the classroom to bake biscuits with the teacher's assistance. In addition to strengthening their relationship with their mothers, the students' hands-on experience gave them a fresh and engaging method to show their mothers how much they appreciate them. Together with their mothers, they created enduring memories by baking biscuits, which encouraged creativity, teamwork, and celebration.





## Sixth Grade Classroom Education Lesson March 21, 2024

The sixth grade class was prepared and presented by students Hanan Sayyad and Maureen Manarius about electronic devices. The two students presented a power point presentation on the pros and cons of electronic devices, and the students watched a video on how long it is allowed to use electronic devices according to the age group. Solutions and methods that can be used to minimize the risk of addiction to the use of these devices were suggested.



## Secondary Section March 21, 2024

The meetings included a comprehensive review of the most important colleges in the university, admission and registration criteria, labor market requirements and opportunities, exams to examine students' desires and inclinations, discussing the most important life experiences of university students and graduates, elements of influence, strength and persistence. Most students showed their response and interaction by discussing and asking their questions about joining universities and the most important majors in them. We thank the wonderful professor Mahdi Qalibo, representative of Bethlehem University, for sharing these valuable meetings with our students.



## Kindergarten mothers' day March 23, 2024

The kindergarten pupils of De La Salle Kindergarten / Jerusalem recently celebrated Mother's Day in a joyous event filled with various activities to honor and appreciate their mothers. The day was marked by songs, dancing, delicious food, heartfelt gifts, creative drawings, and more.

The Mother's Day celebration at De La Salle Kindergarten was a special occasion where the young students (3 +4 years old) expressed their love and gratitude towards their mothers through different means. The event featured lively songs that the children sang with enthusiasm, adding a musical touch to the festivities. Additionally, there were joyful dance performances that brought smiles to both the children and their mothers, creating a festive atmosphere. As part of the celebration, delicious food was shared among the attendees, symbolizing the warmth and nourishment provided by mothers. The children also presented thoughtful gifts to their mothers as tokens of appreciation for all that they do. These gifts could range from handmade crafts to small tokens of affection that held sentimental values. Special thanks to their teachers for this wonderful ceremony: Ms. Rubina Saadeh, Ms. Maya Rofa, Ms. Christina Nasser.





## The visit of the Brother Visitor Habib Zraibi March 25, 2024

The school De La Salle Jerusalem recently had the honor of welcoming Brother Visitor Habib Zraibi. The welcoming ceremony took place during the morning gathering before the start of classes which was a significant event for the school community.

**Welcoming Ceremony:** The ceremony began with songs and speeches, setting a festive tone for the occasion. The principal of the school delivered a warm welcome speech, expressing gratitude for Brother Visitor Habib Zraibi's visit and emphasizing the importance of his presence at the school. As a gesture of hospitality and respect, flowers and a Koufieh were offered to Brother Visitor as symbols of welcome and appreciation.

**Interaction with Students:** Following the initial ceremony, Brother Visitor embarked on a tour of the school, starting with visits to primary classes such as Tamhidi and 4th grade. This provided him an opportunity to interact directly with students, observe their learning environment, and engage with them on a personal level. The visit extended to the secondary section where he met with secondary students, including young Lasallians, fostering a sense of connection and camaraderie within the student body.



Engagement with Young Learners: Brother Visitor also took time to visit the new classes catering to 3 and 4-year-old students, recognizing the importance of early childhood education in laying a strong foundation for future learning. This interaction not only allowed him to witness the enthusiasm of these young learners but also underscored the holistic approach to education embraced by De La Salle Jerusalem.

Cultural Performances and Reflections: During his visit, students from the primary section showcased their talents through a vibrant dance performance, showcasing their creativity and teamwork. This cultural display added a touch of celebration to Brother Visitor's visit and highlighted the diverse talents present within the school community. Additionally, speeches were delivered by students, providing them with an opportunity to express their thoughts and gratitude for Brother Visitor's visit.

Meeting with School Leadership: As part of his itinerary, Brother Visitor met with the school's leadership team, including administrators and key staff members. This meeting served as an opportunity for dialogue, exchange of ideas, and sharing insights on educational practices and goals. Brother Visitor shared his perspectives and guidance with the direction team, offering valuable input based on his experience in educational leadership.

In conclusion, Brother Visitor Habib Zraibi's visit to De La Salle Jerusalem was marked by moments of warmth, cultural exchange, educational engagement, and mutual respect. His interactions with students across different age groups underscored his commitment to fostering a supportive learning environment and building strong relationships within the school community.





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