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Secondary School Newsletter



27 November 2022



2022-2023

Head of Secondary Message



Hello all,

I have been blown away by the talents of our students over the last two weeks. The school production of A Family Night in was incredible and I loved every second of it. We also won the Innoventures got talent evening with amazing performances with music and dance.



It's also been all about sport and exercise over the last few weeks. Dubai 30 by 30 has been a great success with sporting activities running throughout the last few weeks. A big shout out to Mihail and his team for all the effort that has gone into the organisation and preparation to provide these opportunities for the school community. There has been some amazing competitive sporting wins which we have shared in this edition.

Michelle



Key Information

Monday 28th Nov - Wednesday 30th Nov

Week without walls

Students attend camps across the UAE or remain in school for project based work.

Monday 5th - Tuesday 6th December

International Award Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Trip

Students take on the challenge they have been working hard to prepare for.

Monday 5th December

University Application Deadlines

Applications to Canada, Netherlands, UK and US. Dubai and Australia is the end of January.

Tuesday 6th December

Year 10 Options Evening

Year 9 parents and students join us after school from 4:30 pm for information and guidance on picking your Year 10 subjects.

Wednesday 7th December

Year 12 Options Evening

Year 11 parents and students join us after school from 4:30 pm for information and guidance on picking your Year 12 pathway.

Friday 9th December

World Cup Day

MYP students represent their teams in a Football tournament throughout the morning.

Friday 9th December

Last day of term

Mock Examinations

We would like to take this opportunity to remind our community about the Mock Examinations that are upcoming for year 11, 12 and 13 students.

These examinations will provide an opportunity to assess students' skills, knowledge, and understanding, *but also provide students with an opportunity to experience a true exam scenario and a chance to enhance their approaches to revision.*

A specific schedule of examinations will come in due course. Please see the general breakdown below and contact either Ms. Ruba Jeshi (Year 11) or Dr. Kanchi Das (Year 12/13) if you have any questions or concerns.

Year 11 Mock Examinations

Tuesday 03 January to Wednesday 11 January

Please note that there will be no lessons for Year 11 on Monday 02 January - this will be given as study leave.

Year 12 Mock Examinations

Monday 09 January to Wednesday 18 January

Please note that there will be no study leave allocated to Year 11 and they are expected to attend lessons as normal following the winter break.

Year 13 Mock Examinations

Tuesday 03 January to Tuesday 17 January

Please note that there will be no lessons for Year 13 on Monday 02 January - this will be given as study leave.

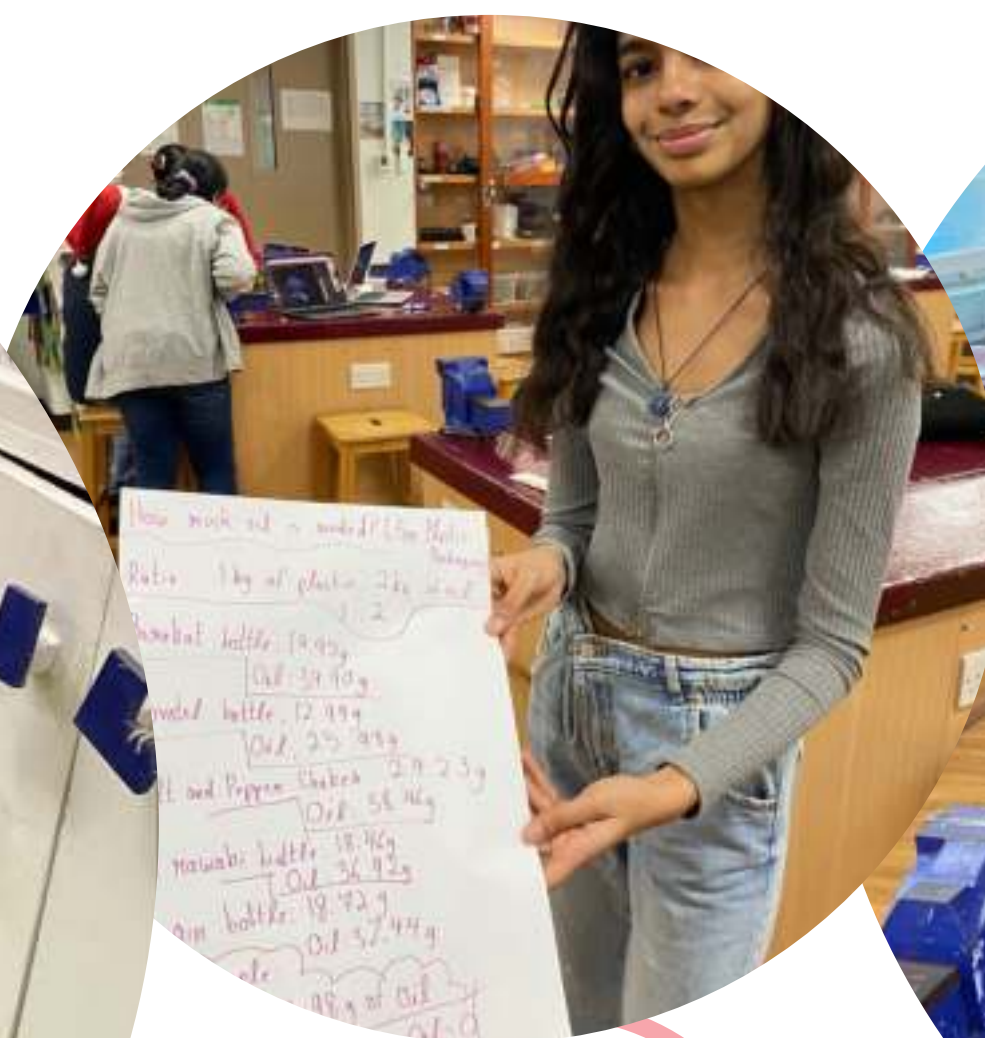


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Dyson and INTERACT Modules and Competition



On Friday 18th November, our Fempower group (Years 7-9 STEM girls' group), will be working in small teams to complete modules created by engineers and teachers working with Dyson and INTERACT, a Dubai-based sustainable engineering company. Only 10 schools in the UAE have been invited to enter teams, and DIA Emirates Hills is extremely proud to say that our STEM girls are in! During this fantastic opportunity, the students will think innovatively and creatively to apply their knowledge and solve problems. Guest visitors from Dyson and INTERACT will be coming by on the day to see how they are getting along. The teams will then post about their outcomes in Dyson's and INTERACT's social media competition. We are very excited to see their contributions!





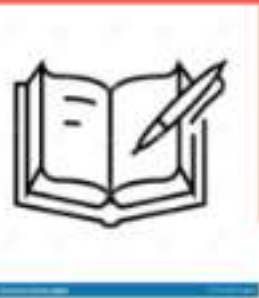
THE ENGLISH DEPARTMENT PROUDLY PRESENTS...



We are so excited to announce that some of our students from DIA won...

THE MCE GLOBAL WRITING COMPETITION!

Please congratulate them when you see them! Their writing talents are truly commendable



TOP 3 WINNERS FOR UAE GOES TO DUBAI INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY; OUR EXTRAORDINARY WINNERS ARE:

Tara Vishwakarthik 8

- Wrote a spectacular narrative piece of writing called 'The Hero of My Life'

Adit Mital 9

- Wrote a very convincing and persuasive text on how recycling is doing more harm than good.

Mridini Menon 11

- Wrote a superb narrative piece of writing called 'The Hero of My Life'

WHAT IS THE MCE?

Marshall Cavendish Education is an educational learning platform that is designed to keep up with the evolving needs of education by using digital solutions to support blended learning and provide an engaging and interactive learning experience.

Global Writing Competition 2022 (mceducation.com)

Our students used an Artificial Intelligence Programme called Scribo that helped check and give the opportunity to redraft their on-line writing, just like how our teachers give feedback!



IMAGINATION, CREATIVITY AND SKILL HAVE NO LIMIT...



CONGRATULATIONS!



World Scholar's Cup



Tournament of Champions

This month, students from DIA competed in the World Scholar's Cup final 'Tournament of Champions' at Yale University in New Haven, Connecticut, U.S.A. The WSC is an academic-based competition with four main events: debate, collaborative writing, a multiple-choice test and a team quiz. There are six subject areas with recommended topics for discussion that are released at the beginning of each calendar year.



The Tournament of Champions is comprised of roughly 1,600 of the best-and-brightest students from around the world! This year's theme is 'A World (Re)Renewed'. The goal of this tournament is to create a "global community of future scholars and leaders" and allows children to "discover strengths and skills they never knew they had" while discussing issues and topics relevant to today. Students also got the chance to tour Yale, Harvard, and MIT with additional stops at the Statue of Liberty and Empire State Building!

World Scholar's Cup

Tournament of Champions

We are very proud to say that our students competed admirably and achieved some outstanding results. Overall, our DIA teams won 23 gold medals and 32 silver medals. Please see some of the notable team outcomes below:

- Team 676 (Neev Gadkar, Siddh Garg, Atharva Mansabdar) achieved a gold medal for placing 25th out of ~300 teams in debate.
- Team 675 (Neeraj Shah, Aditya Banerjee, Harsh Somani) achieved a gold medal for placing 27th out of ~300 teams in the Team Challenge.
- Team 295 (Iti Tandon, Aanya Parasramka, Esha Dighe) achieved a gold medal for placing 21st overall across all disciplines against ~300 teams in their division.
- Veda Fernandes, a DIA student who competed with friends from India, placed 15th overall against ~900 students in her division, winning a trophy, 11 gold medals, and 3 silver medals.



Please join us in celebrating with these students. If your child is interested in joining this competition, please contact Mr. Michael Norton at michaeln@diadubai.com.



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Pastoral Session on Teens and Emotional Intelligence



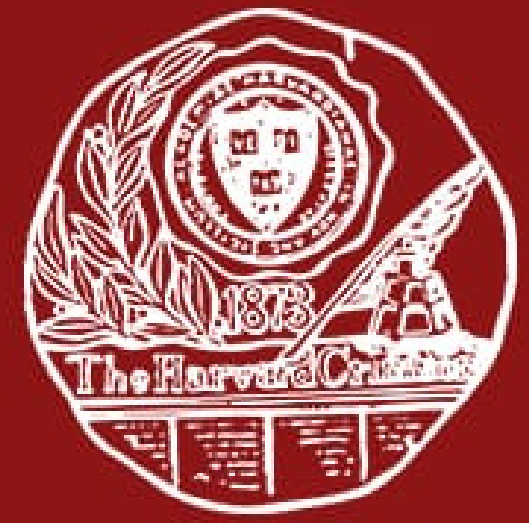
PADIA Winter Souk



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THE HARVARD CRIMSON LEADERSHIP ACADEMY (AN IN-PERSON PROGRAM)

A unique 3-Day program in leadership,
communication and solution generation

PROGRAM DETAILS



13th - 15th January 2023
20th - 22nd January 2023



Grades 8 - 12 / Years 9 - 13



In Person Program at
Dubai International
Academy, Emirates Hill



Fee - AED 1300 + 5% VAT



3 Days



Students earn certificates
from The Harvard Crimson
and Learn with Leaders



Dubai International Academy,
Emirates Hills

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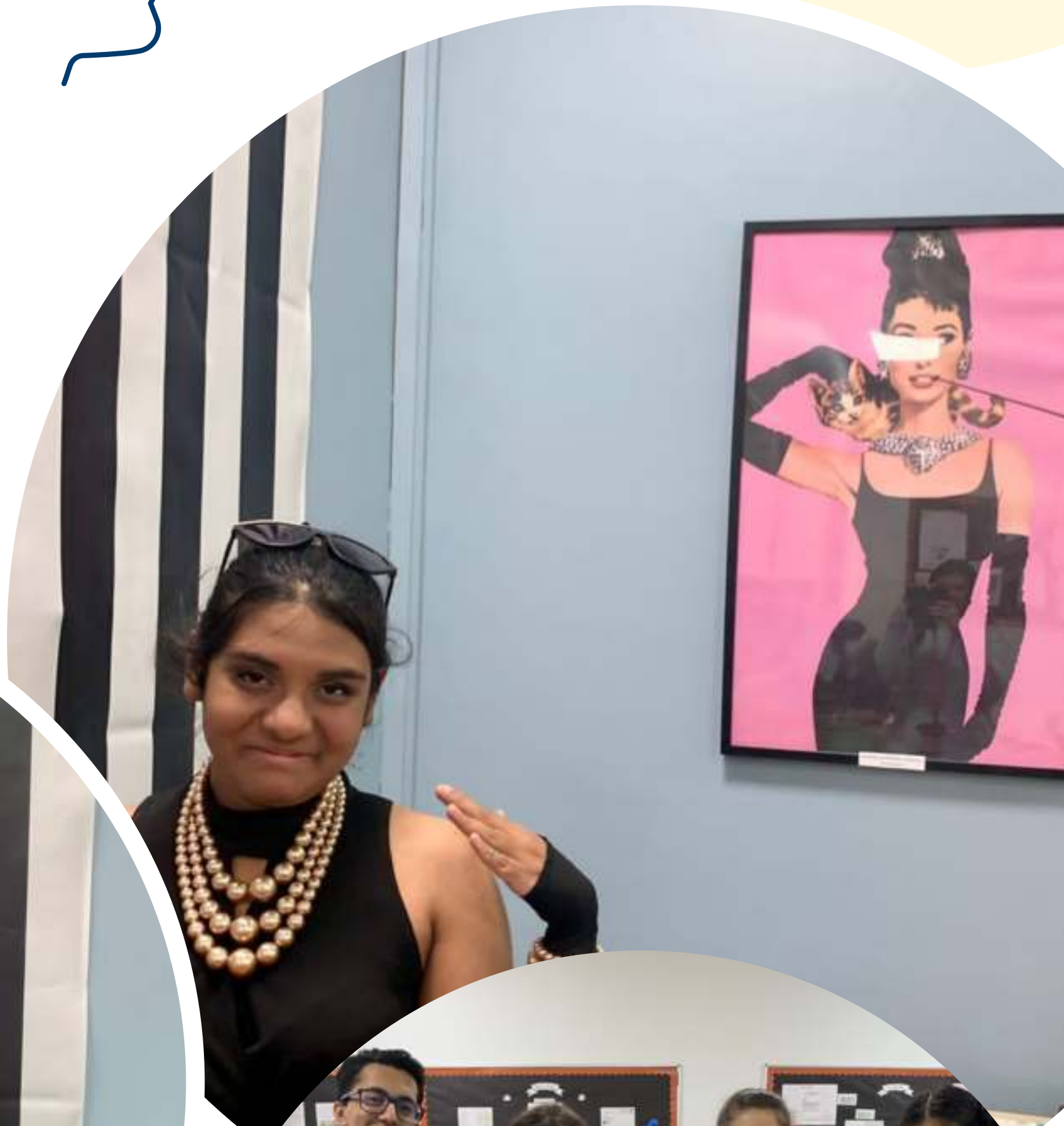
FAMILY SPORTS DAY

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WELLBEING WEEK

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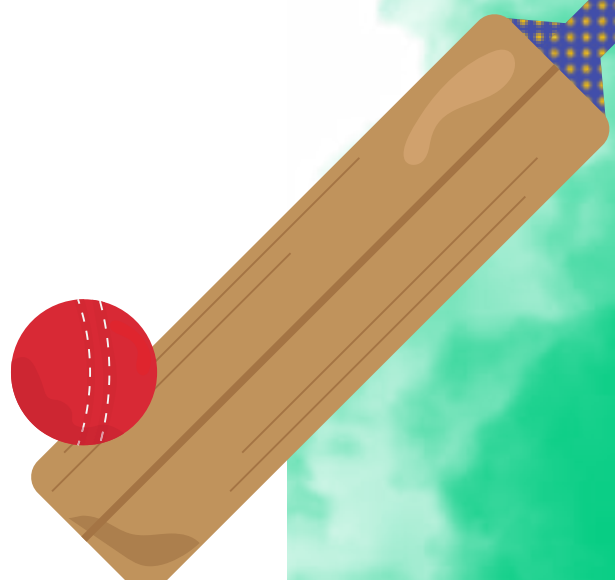
Competitive Sport & PHE

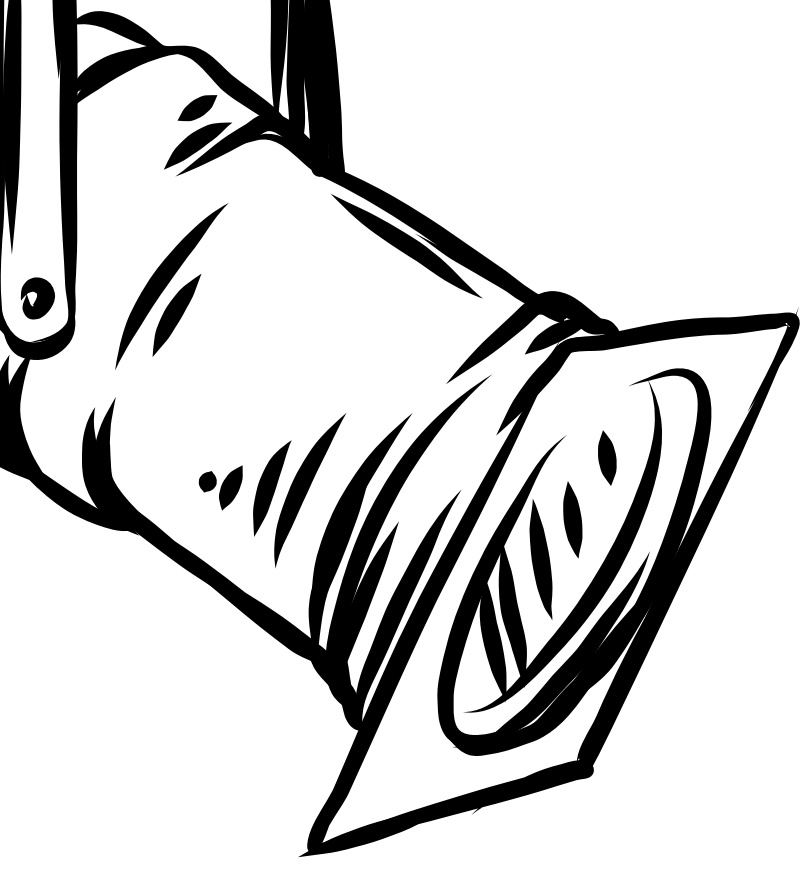


World School Games



DASSA U16 Cricket Winners





Family Night in



UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

NATIONAL DAY



Grade 5 to 11 / Year 6 to 12

DEVELOP A SMART CITY

WINTER COURSE



LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Drones Programming
- Robotics
- 3D Designing & Printing
- Smart City Concepts



DECEMBER 12-15, 2022
9AM TO 1:30PM
DIA, AL BARSHA

AED 1200 + VAT



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