



CHEL TENHAM MUSCAT *Connected*

Thursday, 1 October 2026

ISSUE #5



This week we welcomed visitors from the Council of British International Schools (COBIS) to Cheltenham Muscat to begin our formal accreditation process. This initial stage assesses our compliance with UK and international standards in safeguarding, student welfare, facilities management, governance, ethos and values. The accrediting team were hugely positive in their praise of the experience they had in school across the week and I must thank our team for the efforts put in to ensuring this was the case.

The second accreditation visit will take place at some point in the next 12 months and will assess teaching and learning, leadership, communication and extra-curricular engagement. We will let parents know when this second stage will take place as there will likely be an opportunity for a number of people to engage with the process and meet with our evaluating team.

The outcome of the process and feedback from COBIS on our effectiveness as a school will be published in a report to parents following the completion of our second visit.

Richard Snape
Principal



EVENT CALENDAR

OCTOBER 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
4 7:40 AM Meet the Head of Secondary (Mr.Davies)	5 • Muscat Art Gallery Tour Trip– G9, 11 & 12 • 1:00 PM KG1 Dolphin Class 	6 • 1:00 PM KG1 Stingray Class 	7 • UKMT Senior Maths Challenge G10 and Sixth Form • 1:00 PM KG1 Turtle Class 	8 7:40 AM Meet the Vice Principal (Ms. Sahra) • Visit to Embassy of Spain in Muscat Trip • 1:00 PM Grade 1 Parent event	9	10
11 7:40 AM Meet the Assistant Principal (Mr. Hirrel) • Sultan Qaboos University Trip (G10) • 3:15 - 6:00 PM (KG-G5) parents' evening	12	13	14 • 3:15 - 6:00 PM (KG1 - G5) Parents Evening	15 7:40 AM Meet the Head of Prep School (Mr. Wells)	16	17
18 • 3:15-7:00 PM (G9-G12) Parents Evening 	19 • 1:00 PM Grade 2 Parents' Event International Talk like a Pirate Day -Pre Prep 	20	21	22 • 1:00 PM KG2 Parents' Event	23	24

Parents Can Attend

Holidays

Non-uniform Days

Meet the SLT

*Dates and times are subject to change

- **(KG-G5)** parents' evening _ Details have been sent.
- **(G9-G12)** parents' evening _ Details will be shared Later.

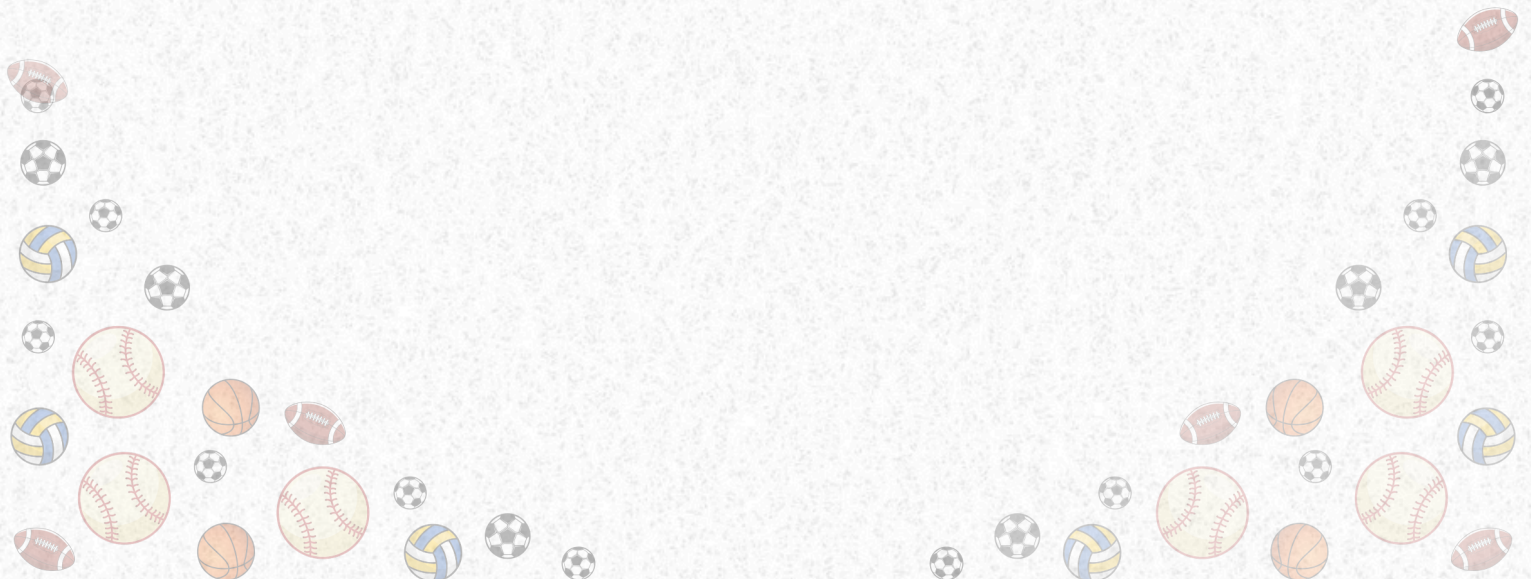


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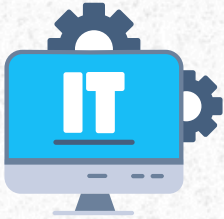
SPORT CALENDAR OCTOBER 2026

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3
U16 GIRLS VOLLEYBALL V TSS (A)	U9 BOYS MPSL SKITTLEBALL (H)	U9 GIRLS MPSL SKITTLEBALL (H)	U16 BOYS VOLLEYBALL V TSS (H)			
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
U11 BOYS MPSL SKITTLEBALL (@ AGS)	U11 GIRLS MPSL SKITTLEBALL (@ AGS)		U12 GIRLS VOLLEYBALL V AMITY (H) U13 GIRLS VOLLEYBALL V AMITY (H) U14 GIRLS VOLLEYBALL V AMITY (H)			
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	U16 BOYS VOLLEYBALL V ABA (A) U16 GIRLS VOLLEYBALL V ABA (A)	U12 AND U13 GIRLS VOLLEYBALL V ABA (A)	HALF - TERM BREAK			
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	U16 BOYS MSSL VOLLEYBALL @ TAISM U16 GIRLS MSSL VOLLEYBALL @ ABA					
25	26	27	28	29	30	31





IT Support Available for Students



We would like to inform parents that if your child is experiencing any IT-related issues, please let them know that IT Support will be available during their break at the times and locations listed below.

Day	Year Groups	Location	Time
Sunday	Grade 6–8	IT Lab	9:40–10:00 AM
Monday	Grade 6–8	IT Lab	9:40–10:00 AM
Tuesday	Grade 9–12	Senior Atrium	9:40–10:00 AM
Wednesday	Grade 9–12	Senior Atrium	9:40–10:00 AM

Parent & Student Details – Please Keep Us Updated



We kindly ask parents to ensure that all parent and student documents and contact details held by the school are up to date.

If you have recently renewed an expired passport or ID card, please send a copy of the updated document to admissions@cheltenhammuscat.com, including your child's full name and grade.

Please also notify us if there have been any changes to your email address or contact number, so we can ensure our records are accurate and you continue to receive important school communications.

Thank you for helping us keep our records up to date.



The World University Rankings 2027 are Here!

Times Higher Education's World University Rankings 2027 was released yesterday!

There are plenty of familiar names at the top. Here's key highlights on the report.

- **Oxford Retains #1:** The University of Oxford claims the top spot globally for an unprecedented 11th consecutive year.
- **Historic Regional Shift:** Asia has surpassed continental Europe in overall performance for the first time.
- **Asian Universities Climb:**

-China's Tsinghua University rose to #11, overtaking Switzerland's ETH Zurich.

-The National University of Singapore (NUS) broke into the global top 15.

- **Milestone Representation:** Three Asian universities now feature in the world's top 15 simultaneously for the first time.
- **Evolving World Order:** While traditional elite institutions remain strong at the peak, global academic hierarchy is shifting eastward.

To explore the full ranking, follow the link <https://sl1nk.com/99q6ouk>

Should you have any inquiries, please contact Ms. Jalala, the Career Counsellor at jalshamsi@cheltenhammuscat.com.



UKMT Senior Maths Challenge – Wednesday 7th October

The Senior Maths Challenge is taking place on Wednesday 7th October and is an opportunity for students to tackle challenging and unfamiliar mathematical problems that require creative thinking, logical reasoning and problem-solving skills.

Due to the complex problem-solving required, participation will be mandatory for:

- Grade 10 Set 1
- All A-Level Mathematics students (Grades 11–12)

There are also a limited number of additional spaces available for students in Grades 10–12 who would like to take part.

If you are interested in participating, please get in touch with Mr. Cartwright to confirm your place. Spaces are limited, so please register as soon as possible.



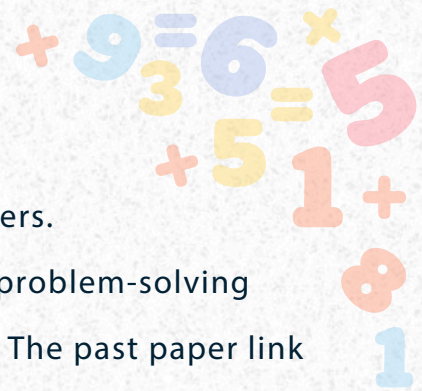


Preparing for the Challenge

If you would like to revise and prepare in advance, you can practice using past Senior Maths Challenge papers.

These are particularly useful for developing the type of problem-solving and mathematical reasoning required for the challenge. The past paper link has been sent to all students and parents in grade 10 and above by email.

Taking part in mathematical challenges such as this can also be a valuable addition to your academic profile and university applications, particularly when demonstrating your interest in Mathematics and your ability to engage with challenging problems beyond the standard curriculum.



A Week of Volleyball Success!

It was a week of volleyball for our senior students this week. The U13 and U14 boys travelled to ABA for friendlies, playing some good sets and putting in some positive performances as preparation for their upcoming tournaments. The U16 boys and girls played against MISA, putting in some strong team performances, serving with accuracy and



producing some great rallies. Both teams came away with convincing wins, a positive learning experience for all. Well done. Looking forward to our primary student's turn next week, when we host the U9 Boys and Girls MPSL Skittleball tournaments.







إعلان مسابقة القرآن الكريم للعام الدراسي 2027/2026 بمدارس محافظة مسقط

يسر المديرية العامة للتعليم لمحافظة مسقط أن تعلن عن بدء التسجيل في مسابقة القرآن الكريم للعام الدراسي 2027/2026 م بمدارس محافظة مسقط الحكومية والخاصة وفق المستويات الموضحة أدناه :

أولاً: مسابقة الحفظ العامة:				
م	المستوى	الصفوف	مقرر التلاوة	الملاحظات
١	المتنيز	جميع الصفوف	عشرة أجزاء (كل خمسة أجزاء متتالية)	جميع الطلبة بمدارس المحافظة
٢	الأول	(١٢ - ١١)	خمسة أجزاء متتالية	
٣	الثاني	(١٠ - ٨)	أربعة أجزاء متتالية	
٤	الثالث	(٧ - ٥)	ثلاثة أجزاء متتالية	
٥	الرابع	(٤ - ٣)	جزءان متتاليان	
٦	الخامس	من التعليم المبكر - ٢	جزء واحد	

ثانياً: مسابقة إتقان التلاوة والصوت الحسن:				
م	المستوى	الصفوف	مقرر التلاوة	الملاحظات
١	الأول	١٢ - ١٠	أربعة أجزاء متتالية	- الطلبة العماس فقط
٢	الثاني	٩ - ٥	ثلاثة أجزاء متتالية	
٣	الثالث	٤ - ١	جزءان متتاليان	

ثالثاً: جدول تصفيات مسابقة إتقان التلاوة والصوت الحسن				
م	اسم المرحلة	مستوى التقييم	تاريخ تحكيم المسابقة (التصفيات)	رابط تسجيل الفائز/ة بالمركز الأول في مسار التلاوة
١	الأولى	على مستوى المدرسة	٢٠٢٦/١٠/٢٢-١٨	- ترفع كل مدرسة أسماء الفائز الأول من كل مستوى - شريطة حصوله على ٢٥٠ على مستوى المدرسة - كتابي - مدارس (١٢ - ٥) طالب/ة - مدارس (٤-١) والحدود الخاصة طالب وطالبة
٢	الثانية	على مستوى البلدية	٢٠٢٦/١١/١١-٩	
٣	الثالثة	على مستوى المحافظة	٢٠٢٦/١١/٣٠ - ٢٠٢٦/١٢/٢	
٤	الرابعة	على مستوى الوزارة	مارس - إبريل ٢٠٢٧	
تنبيه: ينتهي رفع أسماء الطلبة الفائزين بالمركز الأول على مستوى المدرسة بتاريخ: ٢٠٢٦/١٠/٢٥				

رابعاً: جدول تصفيات مسابقة الحفظ العامة				
م	اسم المرحلة	مستوى التقييم	تاريخ تحكيم المسابقة (التصفيات)	رابط تسجيل الفائز/ة بالمركز الأول في مسار الحفظ
١	المرحلة الأولى	على مستوى المدرسة	٢٠٢٦/١٢/١-١	- ترفع كل مدرسة أسماء الفائز الأول من كل مستوى - شريطة حصوله على ٢٧٠ على مستوى المدرسة - كتابي - مدارس (١٢ - ٥) طالب/ة - مدارس (٤-١) والحدود الخاصة طالب وطالبة
٢	المرحلة الثانية	على مستوى البلدية	٢٠٢٦/١٢/١١-٧	
٣	المرحلة الثالثة	على مستوى المحافظة	٢٠٢٦/١٢/٣٠-٢١	
٤	المرحلة الرابعة	على مستوى الوزارة	مارس - إبريل ٢٠٢٧	
تنبيه: ينتهي رفع أسماء الطلبة الفائزين بالمركز الأول على مستوى المدرسة بتاريخ: ٢٠٢٦/١٢/١٨				

من ضوابط المسابقة:

- يمكن المشاركة في مسابقة الحفظ أو مسابقة التلاوة في السنة الواحدة ولا يصح بها.

- إقرار التلميذ بتطبيق أحكام الجود وقبوله خاضعاً عن عام.

للاستفسار واتصال: ٢٣٩١٩٨٨٨ (موسم)

الإعلان برعاية: المديرية العامة للتعليم لمحافظة مسقط

MOE Holy Quran Competition - 2026/2027

We are pleased to announce the opening of registration for the MOE Holy Quran Competition for the 2026/2027 academic year, organized by the Directorate General of Education in Muscat Governorate, covering both General Memorization and Quranic Recitation & Good Voice categories across various grade levels.

We kindly ask all students who wish to participate and register to contact their Islamic teacher as soon as possible to get further details and select the appropriate participation level.



**GRADE 12
RESIDENTIAL**
Sixth Form trip to Bandar Khairan and Jebel Sifah

**CHEL TENHAM
MUSCAT**

Join us for two days on the coast - a chance to enjoy the trip, relax together and spend time as a Grade 12 community.

TRIP DETAILS

- November 5 - November 6
- 2 days, 1 night
- Boat trip to Bandar Khairan
- Spend the night at the Jebel Sifah Resort

CONTACT DETAILS

For any questions regarding the trip contact:
cblain@cheltenhammuscat.com

OTHER DETAILS

- The boat will depart from Bandar Al Rawdah Marina.
- The boat trip will include activities such as snorkelling.
- Day 1 will conclude at Jebel Sifah Resort.
- Day 2 will be spent at the resort until it is time to return to Muscat.

PRICE PER STUDENT
100 OMR

DEPOSIT

- Grade 12 students planning to attend need to pay a deposit of 50 OMR to Reception by Tuesday 6 October to secure their spot.
- Alternatively, pay the full 100 OMR by Tuesday 6 October.

Sixth Form A-level Exams - Autumn Session

Where students in G12 (and a limited number of students in G11) have external exams in the coming weeks, they are entitled to the following study leave:

- Morning exams - students may take the day before as study leave.
- Afternoon exams - students may take the morning of the exam as study leave.

Please note that whenever students with study leave arrive later/ leave early they must sign in/ out with reception. In addition, students must be correctly dressed in School uniform in order to sit the exams.



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2026 أكتوبر 30-29
30-29 October 2026



حديقة القرم الطبيعية
Qurum Park

3.00
OMR

رسوم التسجيل
Registration Fee



قميص مجاني
Free T-shirt



السحب على جوائز
Raffle Draw



مأكولات للبيع
Refreshments
on sale



منطقة لعب الأطفال
Kids play area



Walk with hope
سر مع الأمل

Register at these location

التسجيل في المواقع التالية

Register at
Sunday to Thursday

مقر الجمعية العمانية للسرطان
Oman Cancer Association Headquarters

للتسجيل من
الأحد - الخميس

Register Daily

مول عُمان
Mall of Oman

للتسجيل يومياً

Register Daily

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City Center Muscat

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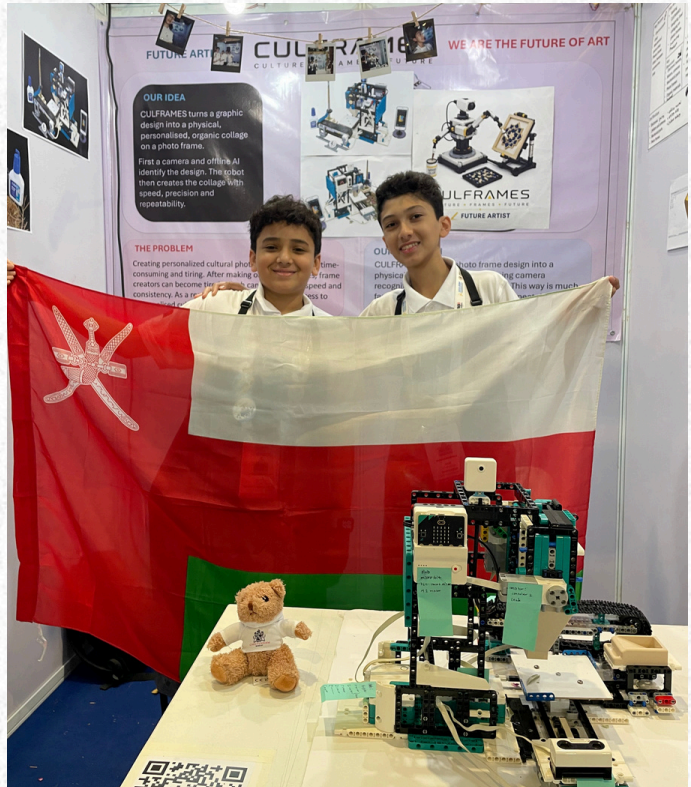
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We are proud of Ali & Arham for representing Oman and Cheltenham Muscat at the WRO Open Championship in Hyderabad!



Tennis Sessions at Cheltenham Muscat.

For registrations contact 92398905





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October camps

Arts and crafts registration

link:

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Registration for Blanco:

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