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QP INTERNATIONAL SCHOOLS

*Our vision is for our students to be high achieving, healthy and happy individuals, well prepared to take their place as global citizens and leaders of the future*

I write this communication following my attendance last week at the QP Ethical Leadership Conference- 'Shaping Who We Are'. Several hundred QP colleagues were present and together we contemplated the concept of QP as an organisation shaped by its values and how we embody these values in all our working practices. The keynote speaker highlighted the importance of integrity and outlined how we all need to live out our values and beliefs in an ethical manner. He highlighted how our own ethics are shaped by many influences with our school experiences being high on the list.

This reinforces the importance of leaders and teachers being seen by students as positive role models, as we are all aware you always remember your teachers and the impact they have in shaping our lives. This is a heavy but rewarding responsibility and together we need to make sure we imbed a culture with QP values and ethics at the heart as each school continues on its own development journey.

To support this journey it is important to gain the view of key stakeholders, as such both schools will be seeking the opinions of both students and parents over the coming weeks. Students from across the schools will be completing surveys focusing on their attitudes to school and how they feel about their own learning and wellbeing. Schools will also be seeking the views of parents, responses will be anonymous and I ask that families take this opportunity to provide feedback and so support future planning.

It has been an exciting week for DES following the success of the choir in winning the Qatar National School Choir Competition. I congratulate all the children, who sang their hearts out and the staff who supported them so successfully. It is also positive news that following a global recruitment campaign, Mr Colter Watt, currently Head of a large primary school in Malaysia, has been appointed as the new Principal at Dukhan English School.

Mr Watt will take up his duties in August and will look to build on the excellent progress the school has made under the guidance of Mrs Hussain who announced her intention to leave the school at the beginning of this academic year. We look forward to welcoming Mr Watt and his family to QP and wish him every success in leading the school on the next exciting phase of the school's development.

Finally, well done to all our athletes from both schools who took part in the British International Schools Qatar (BISQ) Games over last weekend. A special mention to the girls netball team from MIS, they were 5 seconds from being crowned Qatar schools champions only to lose out in extra-time, sport can sometimes be cruel, however a fantastic performance nevertheless.

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