# **GEMS WESTMINSTER SCHOOL, SHARJAH**





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check the schedule & timings given by the Teacher. Please note that absent students without a Medical Certificate would be give a zero mark for the missed exam towards their T1 Report Card, so please be sure to ensure attendance, or provide a Medical Certificate. Thank you.





WSS family celebrated International Day of Tolerance on 16/11/20, with a range of reflective & valuesdriven activities throughout the school. Primary celebrated Reading Week with activities & Character **Dress-up Day.** 





	Dates for Your Diary	
	Date	Details
	Sun. 29th- Mon. 30th Nov.	<ul> <li>Educational Programme Parent Survey for T2 (Jan-March) arrangements.</li> <li>Due to rules about numbers in classes, we have limited Blended seats. Blended seats are allocated on a first-come basis.</li> <li>If you want to <u>change your child's pro- gramme</u> (from Blended to Online, or Online to Blended) for T2, please submit a survey. If you do not complete a survey, your child will continue on the same edu- cational programme into Term 2.</li> </ul>
	Wed. 25th Nov- Thurs 10th Dec inclusive	<ul> <li>T1 exams</li> <li>KG1-G9 will go home at 10:30am after their exam</li> <li>G10-12 have exams in January, so will stay for normal lessons until 1:30pm</li> </ul>
	Tues. 1st- Thursday 3rd Dec.	• School closed for UAE's Commemoration Day & the UAE's 49th National Day holi- day (TBC)
	Friday 11th Dec. until Sat. 2nd Jan. 2021	<ul> <li>School closed for students for Winter Break (3 weeks)</li> <li>Cashier &amp; Registration Offices open throughout on working days, 8am-2pm.</li> <li>T2 fees due by latest Sunday 3rd January.</li> <li>T2 starts for students on Sunday 3rd Jan- uary. Educational programme as per Au- thority instructions (TBC).</li> <li>Cashier open on Sat. 2nd January, 8am- 1pm for convenient T2 Fee payment.</li> </ul>
	Tues. 16th Feb until Saturday 20th Feb.	School closed for Mid-Term 2 Break

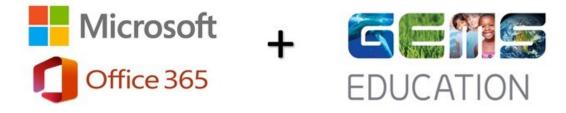
**Our Vision; 'Excellence Through Teamwork; Success For All'** 





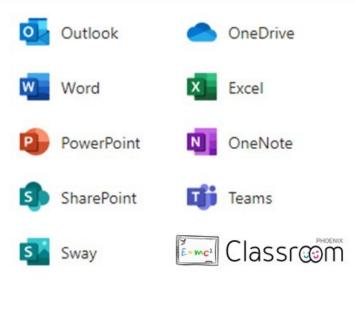
# Whole School News; The Digital Decode

# Are you using your child's ELearning account effectively?



**GEMS ELearning** account comes with exclusive access to Microsoft Outlook (Email), OneDrive premium (Cloud drive) and a lot more applications.

Watch this space next week to learn more about of your child's ELearning account.





## WSS Superstar Champions!



Congratulations to Mohammed Zidrinn (KG1S1). Here he is holding the India Book of Records for the youngest child to recite backwards counting 100-1 in 1 minute and 48 second. Wow!!





Oniru Lasen G3 F1 Iblic Speaking Runner Up t a Sri Lankan Community Competition

We are very proud of Oniru's (G3F1) achievement in Public speaking. Oniru participated in a Public Speaking competition in English on the 14th November 2020 and won Second place (First runner up)! Well done Omiru! Ms. Susweta is so proud of you!





## WSS Superstar Tolerance Champions!



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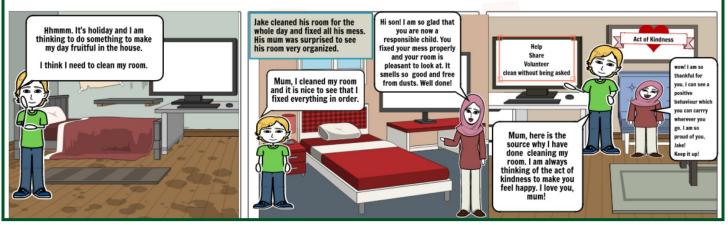




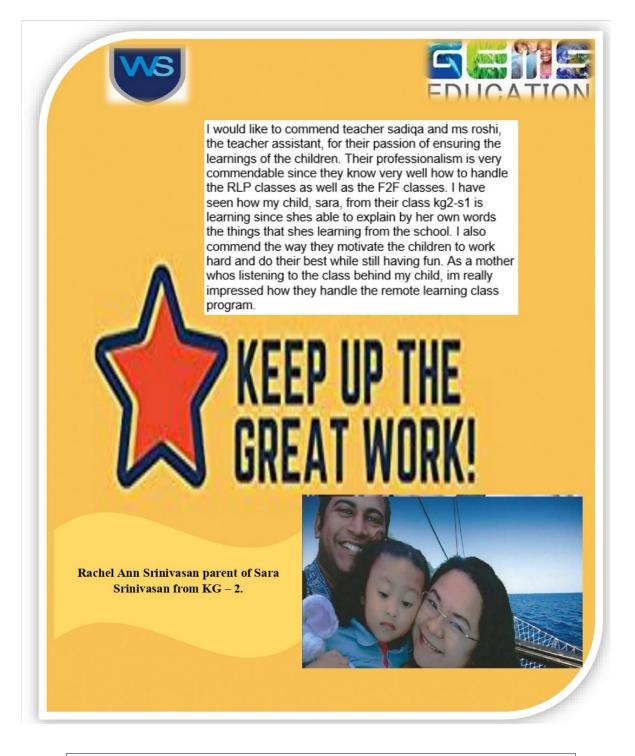
Colin the Kindness Camel (Respect, Community Spirit & Neighbourliness)



#### Act of Kindness



#### Whole School News; Parent Testimonials!



Lovely encouraging feedback form a parent, left on GEMS Connect. Thank you! These comments inspire us to keep striving for excellence!



# Whole School News; International Day of Tolerance, 16/11/20!



# Whole School News; International Day of Tolerance, 16/11/20!



# Junior Section News; International Tolerance Day & Fun Activity!



# Junior & Primary Section News























## **Primary Section News; Reading Week!**



My favorite characters is batman he is STRONG and kind and helpful he teak car for all people fim batman i will halp all people also i will clean all the world



My favorite character is Snow White Snow White is fictional character in the story Snow White and the seven Dwarfs.She is petty girl and smart take refuge in the forest in the house of seven dwarfs to hide from her step mother.She is jealous because she wants to be known as "the fairest in the land" and Snow White's beauty surpasses her own.



#### My favourite character is belle, she is disney princess and her movie name is Beauty and the beast, i love her because she is so beautiful and if i were belle in real i would love to make hairstyle like



I love Superman. he is strong and can fly . He save people.from dangerous. He is my hero If I am Superman I will save people life.





Malak (G4F2) with Ms. Anju for Science Day

## **Primary Section News; Reading Week & Tolerance Day!**





4S1 Celebration of UAE Tolerance Day



Celebrating international Day of Tolerance with Hana, Amal & Ms. Anju

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With Mr. Arvie

And in her white costume during the International Day of Tolerance celebration.



Monday. 16 hovember, 2 2/2 ~ ~ . Topic to learning Let a How on 1 report others for their unique qualither? report others for their - What 1 like about myself is who - What 1 like about myself is who - I like to eat macaroni and something from chinese is sweet chill chickin and in healthy 1 lik truit salad How my family heats me like a princes, encarage me where 1 and to healthy is be my tomily encourages me.

having the with friends learning new things eachday.

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- Learning to appreciate and enjoy people who are different than you.
- Taking a stand when someone is being intolerant. (Example: being a bully)
- Accepting that others don't think the way you do.
- Not making negative comments about others' ethnic backgrounds, beliefs, or life-styles.

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Tanzila explains the meaning of Tolerance in the class.

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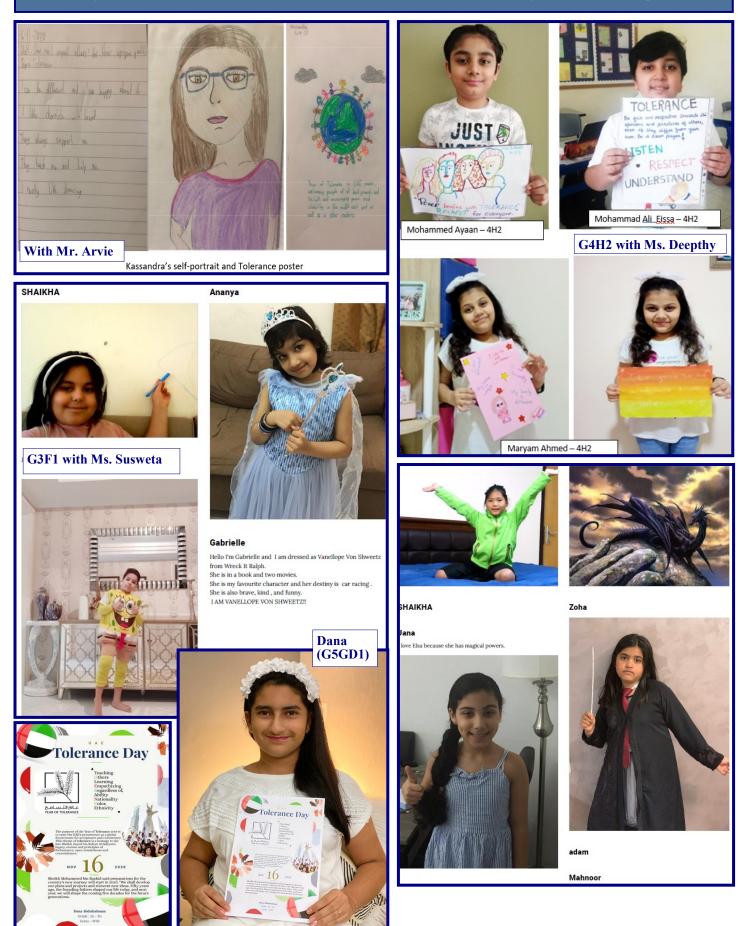
Laila (G2D1) in Snow White character dress-up, with Ms. Divya.



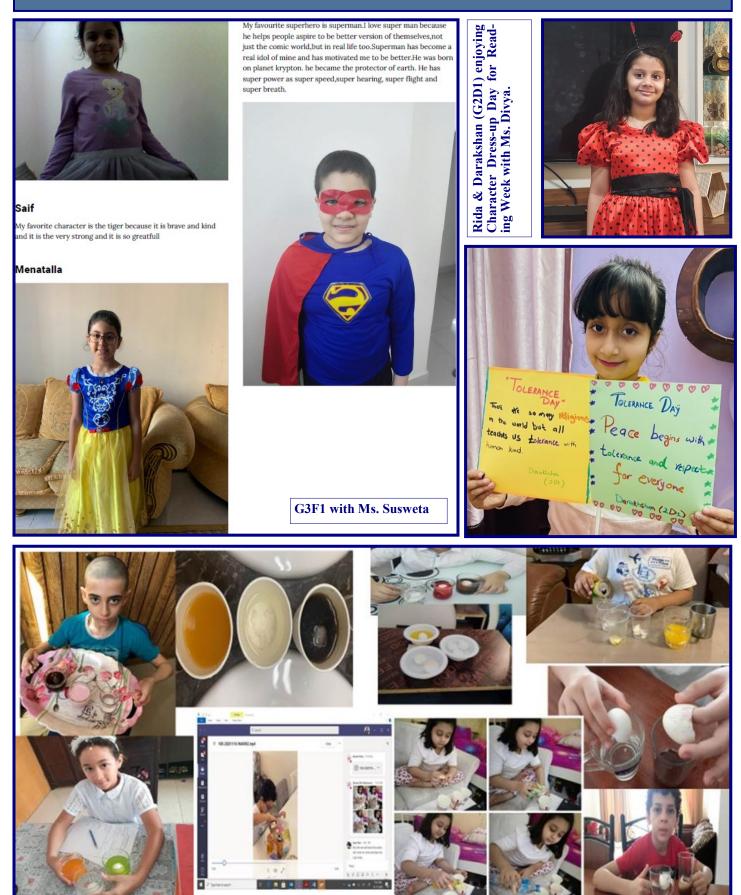
<u>Ansharah's self portrait</u>

Maha's self portrait

## Primary Section News; International Tolerance Day & Reading Week!



## Primary Section News; Reading Week & Science Investigation!



#### Primary Section News; International Day of Tolerance & Dress-up Day!





Yousef & Syed (G4F2) celebrating Tolerance Day with Ms. Shabana.

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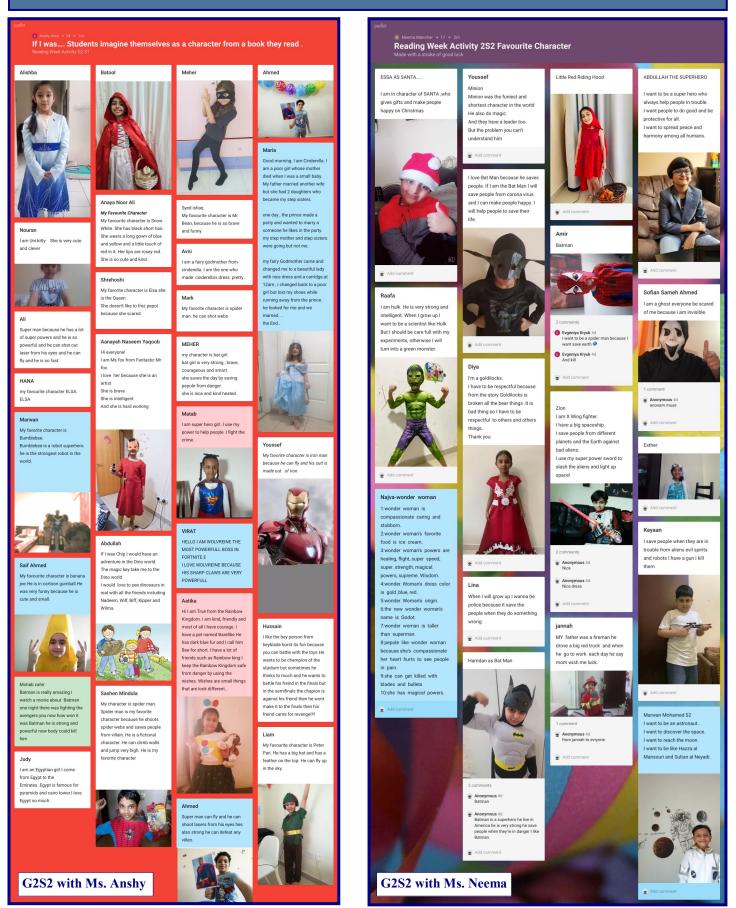


Reading Week activities with G2F2 & Ms. Azreen, & G3D1 with Ms. Deepthi.





## Primary Section News; Reading Week & Dress-up Day!



## Secondary Section News; Wellbeing & Fun Activity!



# Secondary Section News; Tolerance Day & Fun Activity!

Below, Syeda Ayesha (G6GD1) with her beautiful, hand made project of a flower wreath.





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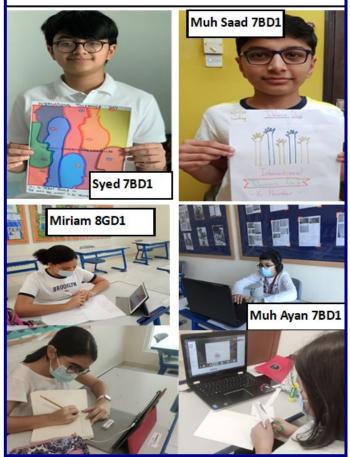


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#### Fun Activity–Jute Bottle Decoration



#### **Tolerance Day Celebration**

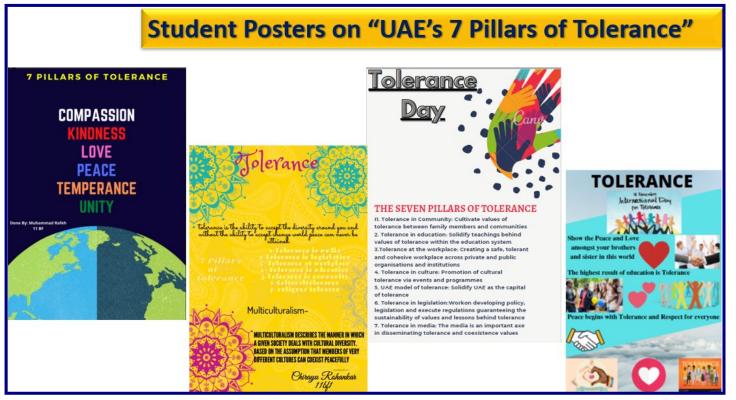


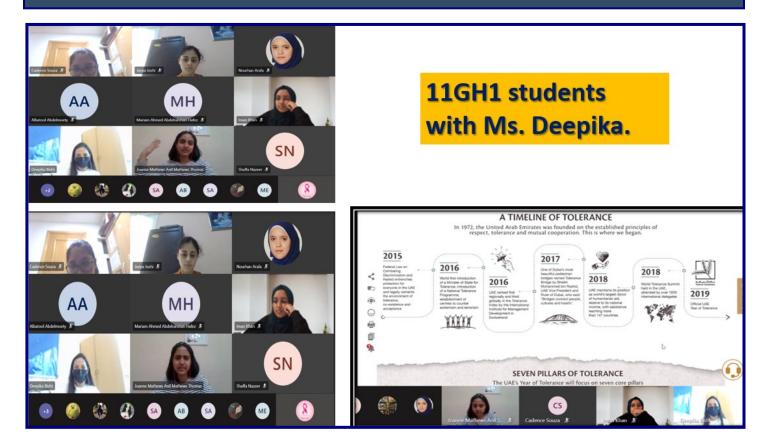
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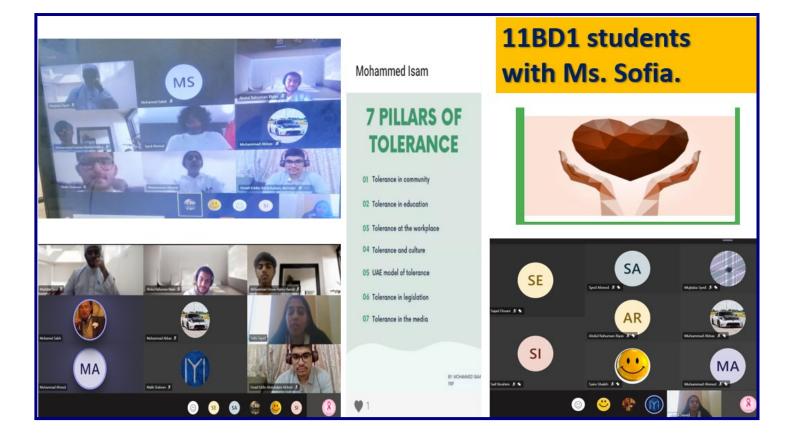




G11-12 students gave feedback on the UAE's '7 pillars of Tolerance' through posters/write ups/collage. Students voted for the 'Torchbearer of Tolerance in my class' through an online pole. Students also contributed their views on Tolerance through short speeches, with references and inspirational persons.









#### What is "Tolerance"? Share it in 3 words - G.9 BH **G9BH** with Ms. Chandani capacity harship tolerance feelings acceptance playing ping pong prakash gaming or Ľ equalism habits help others anger management beliefs peace are we eDi safe society sharing restraint ence sai ove peop D tranquility pearanc acceptir elieve fortitud alokan the highest result liberality willingness dont hate anyone stamina happy caring

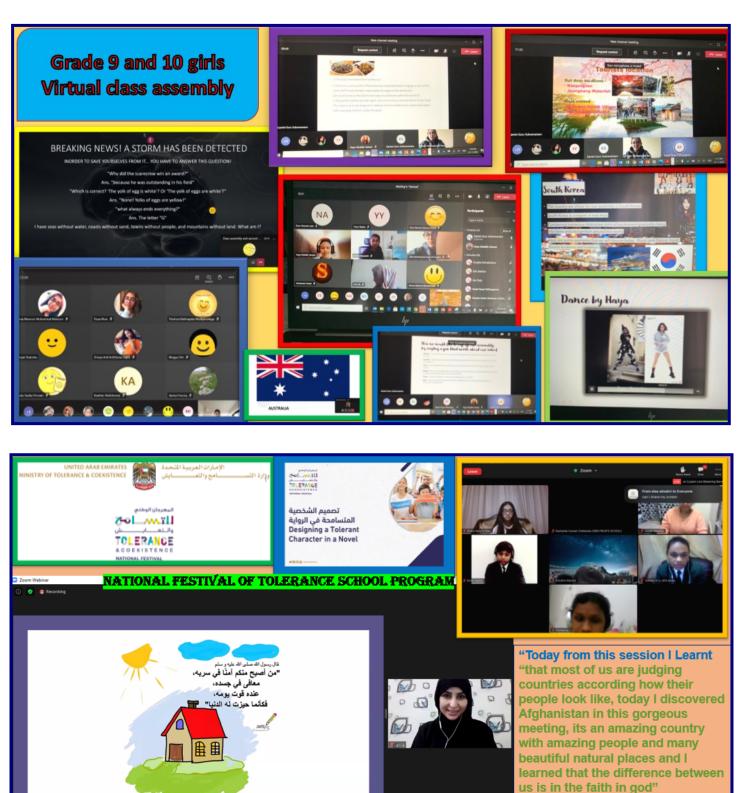
WSS celebrated 'Tolerance Week' in G9 to G12 from 15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> November. As well as a special Tolerance session on 16<sup>th</sup> November we had the following 2 activities:

1. Tolerance in Islam: Students had expressed the role and importance of Tolerance in Islam with Quran versus and translation.

2. Torchbearer of Tolerance in each class: Each students nominated one person from their class as the torchbearer of tolerance for the positive and cordial effort to understand another's belief, practices and habits.



#### Secondary Section News; G9-10 (Y10-11) Tolerance Assembly!



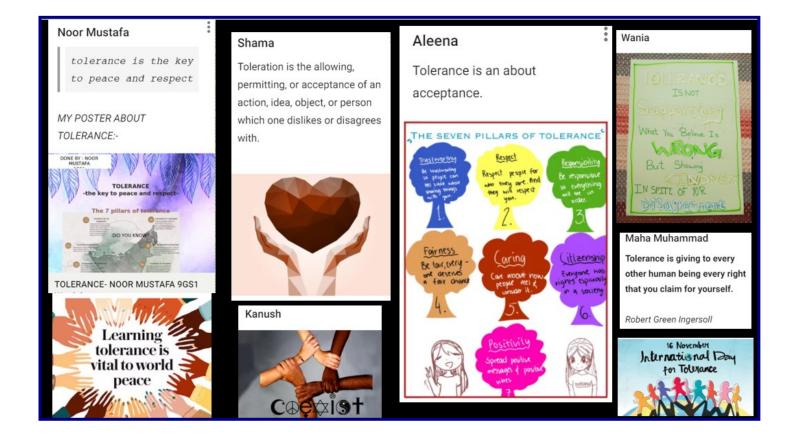
and "Tolerance for me is <u>"A moral</u> value that I consider a sixth sense. If it was not present, then this is a deficiency-Dania Elzubier' 9GF1

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#### Secondary Section News; G9-10 (Y10-11) Tolerance Assembly!





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tolerance is a way to spread kindness everywhere .

peace begins with tolerance and respect for everyone in this world .





#### Fathima Zia 10GS

TOLERANCE: The ability or willingness to tolerate the existence of opinions or behaviour that one dislikes or disagrees with. Toleration is the allowing, permitting, or acceptance of an action, idea, object, or person which one dislikes or discussors with



#### Manahil:(10Ggs)Tolerance quotes

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\* A little bit of mercy makes the world less cold and more just \* The happiest result of education is tolerance

\* Tolerance is giving to every other human being every right that you claim for yourself
\* Don't worry handling and tolerating siblings is also in that

category 🎯

#### Parwana

1 : capacity to endure pain or hardship : endurance, fortitude, stamina. 2a : sympathy or indulgence for beliefs or practices differing from or conflicting with one's own. b : the act of allowing something : **toleration** 

