

# Annual Report

2022-2023



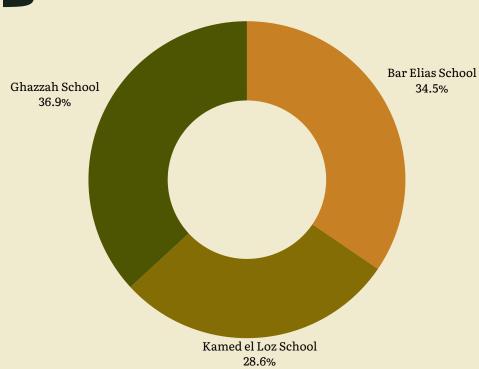
## Overview



In 2022-2023, SSSE implemented a comprehensive curriculum for 1202 students in Early Childhood Education (ECE) and Basic Literacy Numeracy (BLN). Like every year, the curriculum encompassed all subjects such as mathematics, science, English, and Arabic. Beyond traditional academics, SSSE prioritised a holistic approach, encouraging students to participate in extra-curricular activities. Creative thinking was nurtured through innovative teaching methods, and weekly IT sessions in the computer lab were integrated to enhance digital literacy.

## Registration

On October 3rd, 2022, SSSE welcomed 1202 Syrian refugee students accross its three schools.



## Educational



#### 1 ECE Program

SSSE provided Early Childhood Education for students during the afternoon shift. 100% of children who finished the ECE program in 2021-2022 have continued their education in the SSSE schools during the academic year 2022-2023, by being enrolled in BLN 1.

#### 2 BLN Program

SSSE provided Basic Literacy and Numeracy Program for students during the afternoon shift. a 95% attendance rate was consistently maintained for BLN children enrolled in SSSE schools.





#### Computer Lab

SSSE students attended two computer sessions per week in SSSE's fully equipped computer labs in each school.

## Educational



#### 4 STEAM Education

In 2022-2023, SSSE incorporated STEAM education in its curriculum to encourage critical thinking and innovative teaching methods.

#### **Civic Education**

The Big Bad Boo Civic Education is implemented during English class once a week, to develop the students' educational programs and teach them life skills, civic values, resilience, and social-emotional skills in formal and informal learning environments.



## **Activities**



#### Choir

SSSE provided weekly choir lessons to Syrian and Lebanese boys and girls with al Fayhaa Choir Group.

#### 2 Cricket

In collaboration with Marylebone Cricket Club (MCC UK), SSSE provided two weekly cricket training sessions to students.



#### **Art Therapy**

SSSE teachers implemented "art therapy" workshops for students to allow them to explore their creativity through art.

## Activities



#### 4 School Bazar

SSSE organised 3 school bazars during the academic year for students, parents, staff, and the wider community.

#### 5 Field Trip

SSSE took students to Deir Taanayel to visit arc-en-ciel's recycling centre, followed by a group lunch.



#### **Entertainment**

SSSE students were visited by 'Clowns Without Borders' and the 'Seagull Projects' who provided play-based workshops and entertainment shows. Students also watched a play by 'Seenaryo' and were visited by a story-teller during the academic year.

## Workshops for Teachers

- Arche noVa HQ conducted an external workshop on November 18-20, 2022, focusing on the methodology of Education for Sustainable Development Goals. The interactive workshop, attended by a total of 42 participants, featured team-building
- 2 Integration of Environmental Studies in Primary/Middle Education

activities and games to enhance teaching methods.

The Lebanese Organisation for Green School (LOGS) organised four sessions tailored for each subject in the curriculum, allowing teachers to integrate Environmental Studies into their lessons.

3 Internal Workshops

Teachers also participated in internal workshops conducted by the English and Math/Science curriculum coordinators on a wide range of topics. Below are some of the workshops: English

- 1. Emotional Intelligence: A Scientifically Proven Method for Developing the Skills of Success.
- 2. Creating a Thinking Culture at School: Inquiry-Based Learning: Thinking Tools.
- 3. Social Emotional Learning: Using Literacy to Support Resilience.
- 4. Sustainable Schools: "Best Practices for a Greener Future".

  Math & Science
  - 1. Performance Developing Management
  - 2. STEM Activities for Elementary
  - 3. Addressing Behavior Challenges in Elementary Settings
  - 4. Creating Thinking Culture

## Achievements



#### SSSE Choir Concert

After a full year of preparation and practice, SSSE organised a concert for the Children's Choir group on July 19, 2023. Approximately 150 individuals purchased tickets and enjoyed an hour-long concert filled with joy and talent.



#### Cricket Tournament

A cricket tournament was organised in February 2023 for the Girls Cricket Team at SSSE. After a long round of matches, the SSSE Girls Cricket Team won the final place.



#### Digital Literacy

Throughout the academic year, SSSE fully implemented a digital literacy programme for Syrian and Lebanese youth in the community aged between 15 and 30 years old. This programme aimed to capacitate community members to enter the workforce through free digital literacy courses.

## Protection

**Psycho-Social Support** 



#### **Students**

Students underwent training on topics such as physical/sexual violence, cyberbullying and Early-childhood marriage, conducted by War Child and KAFA.



#### **Teachers**

Teachers were trained in the "Little Fellow" program workshop with War Child, to be able to detect psychological cases and refer them to the assigned units.



#### **Parents**

Parents received psycho-social support trainings on early-child marriage and other topics, provided by KAFA.

### Relief



2325

#### **Food Parcels**

to vulnerable Syrian and



2000

Blankets

Lebanese families



2500

**Jackets** 



Provided cash assistance to

Widows

## Success Stories



Ghazaleh Moqdad is a refugee Syrian-Kurdish woman, who has a gift for baking. She had a dream of selling her saj manakish, but lacked the resources to do so. After she participated and sold her manakish in SSSE's bazars, SSSE offered her cash so she could purchase a saj maker and finally sell her goods.

"And from here, on my behalf, I thank Mrs. Nimat and the Society for Social Support and Education for all my academic years, which testify for their grace and generosity." - Hiba Al Waw





"I consider myself really fortunate and blessed that I got the opportunity to pursue what I aspired to be one day. Without the kind and generous aid of SSSE and the individuals in charge of this organization, I would not have been able to obtain my current degree. I am quite grateful for their assistance, which has continued to this day. Thank you for taking the time and trouble to assist me despite the difficulties we all face in Lebanon." - Ammar Al Kouchak SSSE is still supporting Ammar today, as he continues his

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You can read more of our success stories on our website: socialsupporteducation.org

# External Volunteers/Interns

# University and High school students

In 2022-2023, SSSE developed a Public Health program with American University of Beirut (AUB).

4 interns from AUB prepared and implemented presentations at the SSSE schools, on Environmental and Health-related topics.

During this Academic year, SSSE also gave the chance for high school students to volunteer at the organization. the students helped prepare several Social Media content, and they also visited the schools in Bekaa and participated in activities.

#### Foreign Volunteers

SSSE also had the privilege of hosting volunteers from diverse backgrounds, like the USA and Canada. Their contributions have been invaluable, particularly in the realm of social media, communication and fundraising.

Mikail Malik, our volunteer from Canada was able to raise approx. 2000EUROS for SSSE through online crowdfunding.

## Funding

This successful academic year could not have been possible without the support of our funders and partners.

























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