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# MONARCH BULLETIN

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## From the Principal's Desk...



Dear Monarch Family,

What a 'Term' it has been!  
 First and foremost, I would like to thank the entire DPS Monarch community for the compassion, patience, understanding and support shown during this unique time seen by us all. I understand that the onset of the year must have been very challenging for you as parents as you have been navigating through the pandemic with concerns related to not only careers, but also childcare, health, and safety of your family. In spite of all the troubles, you have proven to be the strongest pillar for your children and their surroundings. Similarly, I could not have been more proud of our teachers, staff, and school management for helping our students during this period of remote learning. This experience will, no doubt, help us together teach our students the "grit" that it takes to succeed in tough times. So, congratulations to you and our students for making this experience a memorable one! I am glad to witness students actively engaged in the online sessions conducted by my team of dedicated teachers. This has ensured continuous learning and has facilitated in the completion of syllabus and assessment as per our schedule. The major activities planned for the term have also been accomplished with the collaborative effort of all stakeholders. A few important highlights are mentioned below. You must encourage your child to participate in the same.

**Extra Classes for Grade 9** - School will be providing extra online sessions for students of Grade 9 from 28th June to 16th July, to meet out the academic requirements at this grade level.

**Summer Activities** - To keep children productively engaged during summer break, teachers have planned various activities. These activities will add a value to students' overall learning and build confidence to be more independent. I highly recommend parents to encourage their children to participate in these activities. The details regarding each activity will be shared with students and parents through school portal. Kindly keep yourself updated.

**Re-opening of School** - School will re-open for all grades (KG1 to Grade 9) on Tuesday, September 1st, 2020 and, for teachers on Sunday, August 23rd, 2020.

**Follow School Portal and school Social Media sites:** We encourage everyone to follow the school portal and school social media sites for updates, this summer, as we will continue to keep everyone informed via these mediums throughout the holidays.

As many of you must be probably wondering what the school will look like in September post COVID 19, I am hopeful to see my students back in their classrooms and my team pursuing to make our students feel better than before. It is such an honor to be the Principal of DPS Monarch and I am thankful to be able to serve such an amazing group of kids, parents, faculty, staff and the community. Wishing students, teachers and parents, a very happy and joyful summer vacations. I hope that students and teachers enjoy the holiday break as an opportunity to relax, switch off from school and focus on their own intellectual and emotional needs and well-being.

TAKE CARE, continue to follow the COVID-19 advice and make smart choices to keep yourself and your loved ones as safe as possible.

**Warm Regards,**  
**Meenal Bakshi**

## MONARCH @ E - COLLOQUIUM International Student Webinar

DPS Monarch International School, Qatar hosted an International Student Webinar titled **Monarch @ E - Colloquium** on Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> June, 2020. The event witnessed participants from **Grade IX** upwards along with top-notch faculty members as panelists and judges from various countries such as **Qatar, India, Indonesia, USA, Australia and Denmark**. DPS Monarch International School took an initiative to bring together students and panelists from different schools across the globe to participate in a colloquium to share their views on 'Online Learning during Pandemic'; How the virus is reshaping the traditional norms of education?"

The symposium also comprised an eminent set of Judges- **Mr. Praveen Mariadas, Ms. Jyoti Keshwani and Mrs. Durga Shree Mavuru** from different parts of the world. The panel discussion witnessed diverse perspectives from the speakers who had come well prepared and planned with their speech presentation and were duly cross questioned by the set of distinguished panelists who adjudged them on their clarity of speech, content and overall presentation of the topic. The discussion was well attended by the Vice President of DPS Monarch International School, **Mr. Yasir Nainar**, Principal, **Ms. Meenal Bakshi**, Headmistress (Secondary), **Ms. Madhu Uppal** and Headmistress (Kindergarten & Primary), **Ms. Jyoti Gupta**, who was also one of the panelists.

**Click here to watch the video :**

<https://bit.ly/3ey8Dgj>



The best three speakers **Arya Vivek Kanade** of DPS Modern Indian School, Qatar, **Mehul Kumar** of C.P. Goenka International School, India and **Akshat Bhushan Sinha**, Ahlcon Public School, India were gifted a cash prize of 100 Dollars along with digital certificates. **Mr. Blake Horsfield** of Bina Tunas Bangsa School, Jakarta, Indonesia, grabbed the best panelist award.

The judges, panelists and participants expressed their gratitude and their insightful learning from the discussion even as each and everyone present at the event acknowledged that the forum was indeed one of revelation and learning that would set the course for future development in the field of education.

Vice President of DPS Monarch International School, **Mr. Yasir Nainar**; Principal, **Ms. Meenal Bakshi** and Headmistress (Secondary), **Ms. Madhu Uppal** shared their words of wisdom and applauded and showed their appreciation for all those who had taken out precious time to grace the event with their presence.



## THE AWARD CEREMONY (for the academic session 2019-2020)

*“Excellence is the gradual result of always striving to do better.”\_Pat Riley*

DPS Monarch International School organized the very first award ceremony for the student awardees of academic year 2019-2020 from **Kindergarten to Grade 5** on Saturday, 20 June 2020 via virtual platform in the distinguished presence of the Chief Guest, **Mr. Gopi Varadhan**, Director, DPS-Monarch and DPS-MIS, and Guest of Honour **Mr. Yasir Nainar**, School Vice-President, **Ms. Meenal Bakshi**, Principal and **Ms. Jyoti Gupta**, Headmistress (Kindergarten and Primary), faculty members, proud parents and the awardees.

The event began with the Quran recitation by **Sayed Mohammed Omar**, a student of **Grade VI**. Principal, **Ms. Meenal Bakshi** addressed the gathering followed by the Chief Guest **Mr. Gopi Varadhan's** address. Headmistress, **Ms. Jyoti Gupta** took everyone down the memory lane with a photographic visual depiction titled, **'A Euphoric Beginning'** highlighting moments of the year gone by. This was followed by a presentation of the awards in different categories. The categories were 100% Attendance, Rising Stars, Subject Proficiency, Star Performers in Music, Dance, Art and Sports, Scholar Badge, Meritorious Academic Performance Award, and Student of the Year.

The Guest of Honour, **Mr Yasir Nainar**, expressed his joy and congratulated the winners. Vote of Thanks was proposed by Coordinator, **Grade 4-5, Ms. Harsha Bhatia**. The ceremony rode to a final crescendo with Principal's message in the form of a beautiful song. The ceremony that was live on both School Facebook and You Tube channel left a lasting impression on the minds of everyone present.

**Click here to watch the video :** <https://bit.ly/2NphpkT>



# HAPPY WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY

*"May your surroundings remain healthy and euphoric... May all the trees bloom and flourish"*

World Environment Day, that is celebrated every year on June 5, is a reminder for everyone about their responsibility to care for the Earth and become agents of change. Monarchians celebrated world environment day with enthusiasm and understanding. Each section took on a different activity based on the student's age level.

## *The Seed To Sapling@ Kindergarten*

Through an activity, our little Monarchians not only celebrated World Environment Day but also found out that some seeds sprout the fastest, some are the easiest to grow. Watching seeds grow is an amazing science lesson for kids. Our seed germination experiment to celebrate the World Environment Day on June 5 gave kids the opportunity to see up closely how a seed grows, what would actually be happening under the ground and these seedlings grow to big trees and plants providing us with food and shelter. Our awesome seed growing activity turned out amazingly well, and the students of KG 1 and KG 2 loved checking on the progress each day!



## *Grade 1 : These are a few of my favourite things!*

Our first graders believed that **"Stopping pollution is the best solution"**.

Students came up with different solution picked by them from nature and pledged to follow these basic solutions to and bring in forth environmental revolution.

## *Grade 2 : And My Heart Recites!*

Our Grade 2 Monarchians have spread love for the environment through their poetry recitation. These little writers came up with wonderful words of wisdom and vision.

## *Grade 3 : The Poet's Pen!*

Our Grade 3 Monarchians penned down their heart and expressed their feelings towards the environment through a poem to celebrate World Environment Day.

We are Environment Activists!

## *Grade 4 : I am an Environment Activist!*

Students of Grade 4 wrote pledges and created an action plan on how they can conserve the environment. This way they initiated a movement in controlling climate change. Also, they jotted down three actions that they will follow as a student, highlighting their commitment towards conserving our environment. They used images, artwork, colours to express their thoughts vividly.

Click here :

KG 1 : <https://bit.ly/37X53dl>

KG 2 : <https://bit.ly/2Bw100a>

Grade 1 : <https://bit.ly/2Nt0hKV>

Grade 2 : <https://bit.ly/3duy411>

Grade 3 : <https://bit.ly/2NnD3WE>

Grade 6 to 9 : <https://bit.ly/2CCRFzn>

## *GRADE 5 : We are Green Ambassadors*

Students of Grade 5 celebrated World Environment Day by voicing their concerns and ideas as upcoming reporters through their reports on environmental issues.

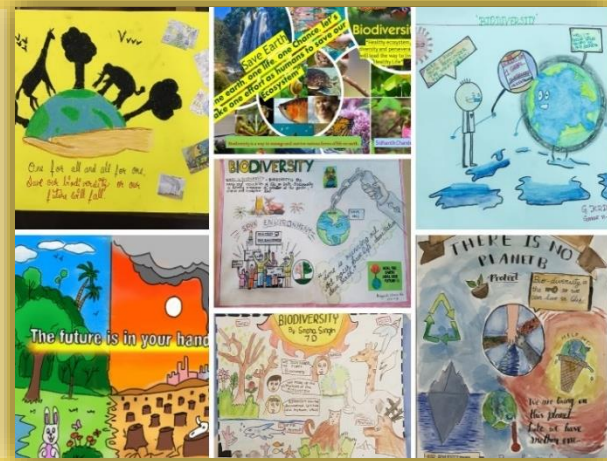
They also shared their thoughts through various mediums such as drawings, posters, slogans, essays, poems, presentations etc. It was indeed overwhelming to watch those magnanimous thoughts arising from those little minds. By listening to them, we can be sure of a better tomorrow as the world is safe in those caring hands.



## Grade 6 to 9 : Save Biodiversity Save Life!

“To many people, ‘biodiversity’ is almost synonymous with the word ‘nature,’ and ‘nature’ brings to mind steamy forests and the big creatures that dwell there. Fair enough, but biodiversity is much more than that, for it encompasses not only the diversity of species, but also the diversity within species.”

“World Environment Day” was observed at DPS Monarch International School on 5<sup>th</sup> June, 2020 under the theme of Biodiversity. The main aim of this activity was to spread and create awareness to protect the biodiversity from degrading. To mark this important day students of Grade VI-IX did various activities like Slogan Writing, Essay Writing, Social Advertisement and delivered Speech via short video.



The activities also encouraged participants to be environment friendly and to know the importance of biodiversity. The students took active participation by opting two topics to exhibit their love for nature. The activity was a success as each student contributed profoundly for this day.

Three best entries from each activity were awarded with digital certificates.

The air you breathe, the water you drink and the food you eat all rely on biodiversity, but right now it is in crisis – because of us. “Without biodiversity, there is no future for humanity.”

“Let’s nurture the nature so that we can have a better future.”

Name of the Activity	Position	Winners	Grade / Division
Slogan Writing	1 <sup>st</sup>	Sidhanth Chande	VI E
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Sneh H. Savaliya	VII A
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Aadila Farheen	VI B
Essay Writing	1 <sup>st</sup>	Answara Anil	VI C
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jasmita Dayananda	VIII D
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Niranjan Kanthavel	VII C
Social Advertisement	1 <sup>st</sup>	Aayush Chande	VIII B
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Azmi Fathima	VIII B
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Krishreventh Gopalkrishnan	VI C
Speech	1 <sup>st</sup>	Adhwaya Oshen	VI C
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Athulya Subhash	IX B
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Purva Patel	VII D

## “I HAVE A HERO, I CALL HIM DAD”

It’s Father’s Day!! All the year round... Fathers pave the paths and lights it for their children and is the unsung hero in a child’s life. The little champs of KG1 did tree palm print activity with their father and created a beautiful painting. A video in which few students from each section had performed to show their love in the form of a poem was presented as a tribute to all fathers out there. We celebrated Father’s Day with our tiny tots of KG2, and amazing to see how excited were the little ones to make shirt cards for their Dad and presenting the “Best Dad” trophy cups, sharing their love and signifying their unique relationship.

Click here to watch :

KG 1 : <https://bit.ly/2Z63JR1>

: <https://bit.ly/2zZnWQf>

KG 2 : <https://bit.ly/3eFzua8>

Grade 1 : <https://bit.ly/2VjZHU6>

Grade 2 : <https://bit.ly/3fXL6pr>

Grade 3 : <https://bit.ly/2VfjnZy>

Grade 4 and 5 : <https://bit.ly/2B8JrP2>

Grade 6 to 9: <https://bit.ly/2AYGXmp>



“A father is neither an anchor to hold us back, nor a sail to take us there, but a guiding light whose love shows us the way.”

Students from **Grade I to IX** of DPS Monarch International School celebrated Father's Day on Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> June, 2020 with great enthusiasm and zeal.

Father's Day is a celebration, honoring and marking fatherhood, paternal bonds and the influence of fathers in society. The students looked much excited and thrilled to share their love and care with their fathers. They made wonderful greeting cards and beautiful hand-made craft articles for their fathers. They also made short video clips to express their love, respect and gratitude towards them. The father-child duo also clicked photos to cherish the moments.

Fathers appreciated the efforts of their children who made this day a memorable day.



## CELEBRATING INTERNATIONAL YOGA DAY

Since its inception in the year 2015, June 21st is celebrated as The International Day of Yoga all over the world. "Yoga is an invaluable gift of India's ancient tradition. It embodies unity of mind and body; thought and action; restraint and fulfillment; harmony between man and nature; a holistic approach to health and well-being. It is not about exercise but to discover the sense of oneness with yourself, the world and the nature.

The Physical Education Department organized International Yoga Day with the students and teachers of **Kindergarten to Grade IX** with great enthusiasm. Students demonstrated various asanas. Warm up exercises were taken up and all the students performed sitting and standing asanas, importance of these were explained simultaneously.



Click here the below link :

<https://bit.ly/3hY8K73>

<https://bit.ly/2YueHkt>



Students participated with whole lot of energy, positivity and enthusiasm. The importance of yoga and how yoga helps to build a calm and stable body was well explained by the following students:-

- Grade 1- Aradhya Arun
- Grade 2- Catharin Binu Joseph
- Grade 3- Bhuvi Tejeswi Gutti
- Grade 4- Aditi Guru
- Grade 5- Guru Prasad
- Grade 6- Shreya Shijulal
- Grade 7- Sneha Singh
- Grade 8- Aisha Manzoor
- Grade 9- Atulya Subhash

The instructors encouraged the students to practice regular yoga to remain fit and improve concentration. **Kindergarten** classes were taken up by their respective HRTs.



# KINDERGARTEN TIMES

## ORANGE DAY

Orange is the color of joy! Orange is the blend of the energy and adventure in Red, with cheerfulness in Yellow, which radiates like sunshine.

On 10<sup>th</sup> June, 2020, students of KG 1 celebrated "Orange Day" with zest and zeal. Students and teachers dressed up in orange. White boards used by HRTs were decorated with orange colour objects. HRTs showed them different videos and objects based on colour orange. Students wore hand printed mask and did tear and paste carrot activity during the session. The students were informed about Orange as a secondary colour that is made by mixing Red & Yellow.

Click here : <https://bit.ly/3dxd10b8>



## WHEN YOU HAVE LEMON AT HOME, MAKE LEMONADE

To beat the heat, a lemonade making activity was conducted by Kindergarten 1. The objective of the activity was to develop fine motor skills. It was pure fun for the tiny tots to prepare lemonade independently.



The teachers demonstrated the procedure of lemonade making by stirring sugar in the water and then squeezing lemon into it. The flavor was garnished by adding salt. They loved watching the whole process. Later on, this instant and healthy lemonade was relished by the students along with their mothers. It provided an opportunity to awaken the senses of curious minds to differentiate between sweet, salty and sour taste. They were encouraged to take healthy drinks in place of other drinks. They thoroughly relished this activity before their summer break.

Click here : <https://bit.ly/3ibMddO>

# PUPPET MAKING

“Creativity is a great motivator because it makes people interested in what they are doing”. To encourage imagination and creativity amongst the students, **Kindergarten 1** organized a Puppet Making session on 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 2020. Our little creators were able to create something out of a plain paper. The little wonders were able to make PUPPET as per the instructions given by HRT’s. The magic of turning a piece of paper into PUPPET was fascinating. It filled their hearts with joy and a feeling of achievement could be seen on their innocent faces.

Click here : <https://bit.ly/3g71XGm>



# TEACHING AIDS FOR KINDERGARTEN

*“It is the supreme art of the teacher to awaken joy in creative expression and knowledge.”*

Teaching being an art, different teaching aids play an important role in the process. It helps motivate the students to learn better, illustrating or reinforcing a skill or concept and differentiating instructions. While the move for online was the best approach to continue classes, it not only entails a change in format, but also demands a change in practice. We at **Kindergarten**, use different teaching aids and strategies in view to bring in a difference in teaching and learning.

Teaching alphabets, phonics, sight words and other concepts with flash cards, charts, videos, PowerPoint etc. provides visual stimulation and helps to comprehend more easily. Story narration with puppets, decorative boards, head gears give our young learners an irresistible joy and excitement, enhancing their vocabulary and listening skills. Apart from these **Kindergarten** teachers used play dough, popsicles and different art methods for cursive to instill initial writing skills, and many other resources to make the sessions lively and creative.



# EVERY CHILD IS AN ARTIST!

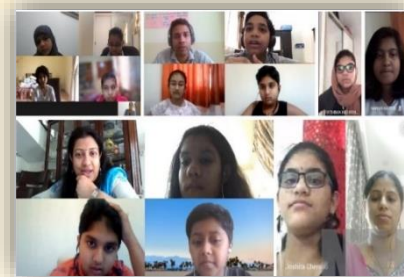
Let us recall our bygone memories through Art. This summer our very talented and dexterous Art teachers, **Ms. Shilpi Mathur, Ms Rushda Zuhaib and Ms Nasreen Banu** took our students on a tour of Four Seasons during their Art classes by taking different activities like origami, colouring and collage making. The excellent and marvelous art work done by the teacher and students of **Primary and Secondary** is praiseworthy. You can behold the astounding and awe-inspiring art work presented by the Monarchians. They have put in lot of efforts and hard work to get such stunning and breathtaking paintings and craft work.



We, at DPS Monarch, believe in creating an environment where our students are able to exhibit best of their flairs and make the best use to keep children fruitfully captivated in non-academic pursuits too. **Art workshop and Yearbook Cover Page Contest** activities have been planned in the 3rd week of July and 2nd week of August respectively. These activities will give an opportunity to learn, to create and make best use of their leisure time. <https://bit.ly/31kY7oO>

## ONLINE QUIZ II

The teachers of all subjects from **Grade I to IX** conducted the second Online Quiz for this session in the month of June. The quiz was prepared by using Microsoft Form and was conducted in MCQ form. The syllabus and time-table was shared with the students via school portal a few days before so that the students would get enough time to prepare for the quiz. The link of the quiz was shared on time with the students during online session of respective subjects.



Based on these online quizzes and the class room observations a periodic development report was conceptualised for each student.. The motive behind conducting the second online quiz was to judge the knowledge and understanding of the chapters taught by the teachers so far. Most of the students performed very well in the quiz whereas it was advised to few students to study better for the next time keeping the thought in mind - **"It doesn't matter how slowly you go as long as you do not stop!"**

## WORD SKILL

### INTRA-SCHOOL SPELL BEE @ SECONDARY WING

*"Life is like a little book written with a whole lot of surprise; Spell a word that doesn't fit in, and that's a spell in disguise".*

Spell Bee is a mode to assess students on the basis of Meaning, Spelling and Pronunciation of the words in English language. It helps students to foster their lexical development which forms the basis of English language. Keeping this in mind, English teachers from **Grade VI to IX** conducted the first Online Spell Bee Quiz for this session. For **Grade VI to VIII** quiz was conducted on Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> June, 2020 and for **Grade IX** on Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> June, 2020. As participation was mandatory for all the students they grabbed this opportunity with best hope to come up with excellent Spellings. Our effort is to unfold the world of spellings and knowledge and to enhance vocabulary and language skills of our students. The motive behind conducting this online quiz was to assess the knowledge and understanding of the chapters taught by the teachers so far. The Preliminary round was conducted in MCQ form by using Microsoft Forms as a recapitulation session to select the participants. To get into the Final Round students were supposed to score full marks. Five students from each section, from **Grade VI to IX** were selected for the last lap which will be conducted for each grade in the fourth week of July.

### BUSY BEES BUSTLED BY SPELL BEE @ PRIMARY WING

*"Spelling is important because it aids in reading. It helps cement the connection that is shared between sounds and letters".*

An Inter-Class Spell Bee Competition was organized for **Grade 4-5**. The first round was compulsory for all and the result of that gave the participants of the second round. The Spell Bee conducted on 17<sup>th</sup> of June witnessed eight co-champions from **Grade 4** and four co-champions from **Grade 5**. The list of winners are mentioned below. This competition was one of the numerous enjoyable competitions that gave students a platform to learn spellings in different ways. This competition helped students improve their spellings, increase their vocabulary, learn concepts, and develop the use of correct English. Students of **Grade 1-3** also celebrated the Spell Bee week with many non-competitive activities and puzzles to enhance their word power. Children participated earnestly in the competition. Their efforts and initiative was appreciated by all. **Winners of Spell Bee (Grade 4-5)**

Name	Grade/Division
MUNA HASIBURRAHMAN	IV B
SAMUELA AROCKIA SAGAYAM	IV C
AYLIN TINO	IV C
HARINI KAVIARASU	IV D
HRUTVI AMOL PATOLE	IV C
FADI MOHAMMED MANNISSERI	IV A
MUHAMMED SIDDIQ ARAFAT	IV C
KEERTHINATH RAJAKUMAR A	IV D
DAIWIK VIMAL	V D
AADYANT KENAN KUMAR	V A
SAUKHYA PEDNEKAR	V C
JOHAN JAISON	V C



# PARENTS INTERACTION WITH THE ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP TEAM (SESSION 1)

A special virtual Parents' interaction with Academic Leadership Team was scheduled for **Primary and Secondary School** parents. PTM for **Secondary School** was conducted on Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> and Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2020 whereas for **Primary School** it was conducted from Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> to Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> June, 2020 with Principal, Headmistresses (Kindergarten and Primary and Secondary), Subject Leaders and Coordinators so that parents could get a complete idea on what has been done till now in each subject in **Grades I to IX**. Principal of DPS Monarch International School, **Ms. Meenal Bakshi** welcomed all the parents and introduced Headmistresses (Kindergarten and Primary and Secondary), Subject Leaders and Coordinators also briefed the parents about the 'Action Plan' of the school.



Both the Headmistresses to their respective parents explained about 'Curriculum Overview' and Subject Leaders of all the core subjects, Second and Third Language along with Art and PE summarized about the important 'Components of Assessment' and Periodic Overview'. Before concluding the PTM, Principal took Question and Answer session where she cleared all the queries and doubts put up by the parents during the session. The PTM ended with a thanking note to all the parents by appreciating their presence and giving their valuable time.

## PARENT TEACHER MEETING (SESSION 2)

The school organized PTM for **Kindergarten to Grade 9** from 21<sup>st</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> June through Zoom online platform. The event witnessed a 100 percent participation of the parents displaying the interest of the parents towards the functioning and the transparent nature of the school. The main objective of the meeting was to create a common platform where the teachers and parents can come together to discuss various concerns and have a better understanding about the student's progress. The teachers briefed the parents about their ward's performance and highlighted the areas of strength and weakness of the child. Parents were encouraged to appreciate student's participation in online session and taking the assessments seriously.



Virtual PTM was indeed a new experience for everyone and it helped to bring in a harmonious relationship between the school and the parent community. On 20<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> of June the PTM for **Kindergarten** was held in view of one to one interaction with the HRTs after the periodic report being published in the portal, monitoring the progress over time.

## PERIODIC REPORT

Periodic Report serves to provide parents with the academic details of their ward. It tells about the student's progress and achievement to both students and parents.

The involvement of the student in the evaluative process is considered essential, since it is the student's learning and personal growth that are being assessed. The Periodic Report for the month of April, May and June helped to identify the learning gaps of the students. It also enabled the teachers to apply required strategy while teaching as per individual student learning capacity. Term I Periodic Report was based on the class observation and performance in Online Quiz. Learning outcomes were assessed based on the teaching in the month of April, May and June on the following judgment Rubrics:

**AS - Accomplished Skills, ES - Established Skills, DS - Developing Skills, NS - Needs Support**

Assessment and Periodic Reports are integral parts of the teaching and learning process at DPS Monarch. It combines to support students to achieve academic excellence and to provide required support and guidance for further learning. Periodic Report is the process used to communicate knowledge gained from assessing student's learning. The purpose of reporting is to provide relevant information about a student's progress to student, parents and teachers so that the teachers can help the students in the concerned areas with full support extended by the parents to make their ward grow further.

Periodic Reports for students of **Kindergarten, Primary and Secondary** wings were published on June 19, 2020. A Parent can avail the same through the school portal

# BUILDING CAPACITY

## LIVE HANDS-ON-ASTRONOMY WORKSHOP

Science India Forum (SIF) – Qatar organized two different Live Hands-on-Astronomy Workshops on Activities of Annular Solar Eclipse (ASE) on Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> June, 2020.

Faculty Members from Science and Mathematics Department, **Mr. Manish Oommen**, **Mr. Abdur Rahman** and **Ms. Jyoti Mohanty** actively participated in the workshops. The activities that can be performed during the eclipse, was conducted by Science India Forum (GCC countries) in association with Vigyan Prasar, DST Govt. of India.

The first session was taken by Senior Scientist of Vigyan Prasar, **Arvind C. Ranade**. He gave a detailed description about how an eclipse occurs and what is the science behind it and the importance of Solar Eclipse. Telescope Maker from Bhopal, **Mr. Mukesh Satankar** took the next session on how to make a ball mirror. He also demonstrated that how it can be used to find the duration of one revolution of earth around sun and the diameter of the sun. **Mr. Tushar Purohit** from IUCAA, Pune took the next session on how to make a pinhole camera and magic mirror and demonstrated how they can be used to view the Solar Eclipse safely. In the last session, experts explained about the making of apparatus and made the attendees do some hands on activities.



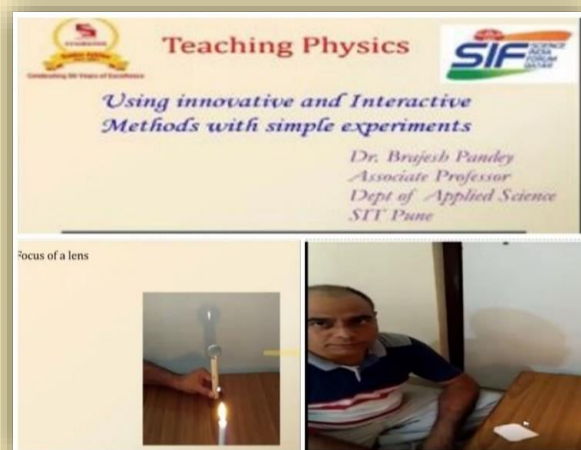
## TEACHING PHYSICS USING INNOVATIVE AND INTERACTIVE METHODS WITH SIMPLE EXPERIMENTS

Science India Forum-Qatar organized an online workshop for Physics teachers (CBSE Grade IX to XII) on Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> June, 2020 from 3 to 5 pm. **Mr. Manish Oommen**, **Mr. Abdur Rahman** and **Ms. Jyoti Mohanty** of DPS Monarch International School enthusiastically participated in the workshop. Trainer of the workshop was **Dr. Brajesh Pandey**, Associate Professor Physics, Dept. of Applied Sciences, Symbiosis Institute of Technology, Pune. He demonstrated nearly eight simple experiments with materials that are easily available.

The purpose of the event was to encourage teachers to make use of innovative teaching tools to effectively communicate with students. The merit of the event was to see how effectively and interestingly the topic is taught and how deeply and easily students can understand it.

We also had a session named “**Teacher-Scientist Interaction**”. The Guest Speaker elaborately discussed about the role of Physics teacher in developing scientific temper among their students. He requested all teachers to support asking questions, teach beyond textbooks and develop evidence based reasoning.

Overall the workshop was informative; teachers were benefitted and learned new ways of teaching Physics.



## DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION OF INDIAN EDUCATION CONCLAVE

**Ms. Nausheen Ali**, Head of English Department, attended ‘Digital Transformation of Indian Education’ conclave organized by North Storm Academy for the educators across India on Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> June, 2020 via Zoom platform. The conclave was broadcasted through YouTube for the participants to attend it. The prominent speakers were **Mr. Ashok Wadia**, Principal of Jai Hind College and **Dr. CA Kishore Peshori**, Principal of MMK College.

**Mr. Neel Dodhia**, Co-founder of North Storm Academy put forth various questions to both the speakers regarding Indian education system, how online teaching and learning is taking place, its pros and cons and the end result for taking up these virtual classes.

The overall session was very enlightening and worth attending.



# WINNERS AT SIF WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY COMPETITION

DPS Monarch would like to celebrate the recent achievement and recognition received by our student **Mrinal Dabi** from **Grade 5 A**.



**Mrinal** received the consolation prize for her short video on **“Me and My Environment: A lockdown experience”**. The Vijnan Bharati (VIBHA), India and Science India Forum- Middle East Chapters in association with Department of Science and Technology, Government of India and CSIR - National Environmental Engineering Research Institute (NEERI) conducted an online competition for all students in India and the Arabian Gulf region in connection with The World Environment Day Awareness Programme.

You can watch the prize winning entry through the given link: <https://youtu.be/-BjMliPfyLw>  
We are proud of you, Mrinal! Congratulations!!!

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As educationists, we are greedy to learn more with every passing day. We focus towards accomplishing goals and come away with something - a new idea, a fresh perspective, a new strategy - that we can apply to be more successful, in the teaching learning process, for both students and teachers, in the coming years.

**Ms Jyoti Gupta, Headmistress (Kindergarten and Primary)** was invited to participate as one of the panelists and share her insights on the topic "Entrepreneurial Education - Dealing with the World of Uncertainties?" in the first episode of "Dialogue with Educationists", Season - 1 organized by Metamorphosis Edu on June 28, 2020.

The other erudite and illustrious panelists were **Dr Amlan K Saha**, Principal, The Sagar School, Rajasthan and **Dr DC Sharma**, Principal, Vidyasagar School, Indore. The session was moderated by **Dr Raja P Pappu**, Director (Research and Consultancy), Gitam University, Visakhapatnam.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Summer Activities for Students of Primary and Secondary Wings**

