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MONARCH BULLETIN

DPS Monarch International School VOLUME 04 SEPTEMBER 2020 EDUCATION WITH A DIFFERENCE

SCHOOL RE-OPENING AFTER SUMMER BREAK

It was a bright and an exciting day for all the Monarchians when DPS Monarch International School reopened to hundreds of students on Tuesday, 1st September, 2020 after staying closed for six months due to the COVD-19 pandemic. The school made transportation arrangement and only 30% of the students were allowed to attend the classes. The arrangement was done on rotational basis.

All the precautions were taken in the school as per the regulation laid by the Ministry of Education. Everyone present in the school followed social distancing, wore a face mask and frequently sanitized their hands.

In **Kindergarten and Primary**, an orientation session along with Covid 19 Precaution Awareness session was done. Ice breaking activities were also done with students. The tiny tots had a whale of time enjoying the activities.

For the students of **Grade VI to IX**, an orientation was given about the rules and precautions to be taken while in school, G.K quiz was conducted to give some brainstorming was done to the students. After that students enjoyed in the Creative Art Class and at last a Rhetorical Reflection class was organized.

All the students from **Grade KG 1 to IX** were very happy and full of energy when they came to school on the first day. It was a memorable experience for all of them.

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Click here to watch the video:

First Day: https://bit.ly/2GqVU2H Second Day: https://bit.ly/3cJGH91

Third Day: https://bit.ly/2889ZVA















HINDI DIWAS 'SPANDAN 2020'

Hindi being widely spoken in India has helped to play a key role in enhancing India's Unity in diversity. Considering all these aspects on September 14, 1949, Hindi was adopted as the official language of the Constituent Assembly. Since then 14th of September is celebrated as Hindi Diwas with an aim to promote and rekindle the love for India's official language. DPS Monarch International School, organized 'Spandan 2020' on 14 September 2020 to commemorate Hindi Day.

To increase the value of Hindi language and to provide appropriate platform to the students, Hindi department organized a series of inter school and intra school competitions through the virtual platform. The program was graced by Chief Guest Mrs. Malavika Hari Om, Guest of Honour Mr. Hassan Chougule, President DPS-Monarch and DPS-MIS, School Principal Ms Meenal Bakshi, Head Mistresses Ms. Madhu Uppal and Ms. Jyoti Gupta.

Master Abdul Muntaqim recited the Islamic prayer as an auspicious beginning for the function followed by the national anthems of Qatar and India.











Sandra Santhosh kumar of **Grade 5 A** sang the welcome song. **Mrs. Malavika Hari Om** highlighted the importance of Hindi language and **Mr. Hassan Chougule** recited his self composed Shayari and threw light on the common aspects of Hindi and Urdu languages and how they complement each other.

A total of three categories of inter school competitions were organized for students. Nine eminent schools from India and Qatar participate in various competitions.

Grade 4 & 5 organized Debate Competition was judged by Ms. Lalita Pandey. Poetry Recitation for Grade 6 & 7 was judged by Mrs. Shalini Garg and Elocution for Grade 8 & 9 was judged by Mrs. Nisha Bhasin. Winners were announced by Principal Ms. Meenal Bakshi, Secondary Head Mistress, Ms. Madhu Uppal and Kindergarten & Primary Head Mistress, Ms. Jyoti Gupta respectively for each category.

The program concluded with a Vote of Thanks by **Mr. Sarvesh Tiwari**, HOD Hindi Department.







Click here to watch the video:

Inter School Debate Competition – Grade 4 to 5: https://bit.ly/33RBesL Inter School Poetry Competition – Grade 6 to 7: https://bit.ly/3iXDIMv Inter School Speech Competition – Grade 8 to 9: https://bit.ly/3iXDIMv

RESULTS OF INTER SCHOOL COMPETITIONS

Debate Competition: Grade 4 - 5

Prisha Dudhani
 Prayan Agarwal
 Anushka Bhardwaz
 Tejasvi Abhyankar
 DPS Modern Indian School
 Parle Tilak Vidyalay, Dadar
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Poetry Recitation Competition: Grade 6 - 7

1. Shivangi Cambridge School Noida

2. Heba Masood Olive International School, Al Thumama

3. Sanskriti Vikash Kumar DPS Monarch International School

4. Mahi Shah Rajagiri Public School

Speech Competition: Grade 8 - 9

Noopur Mishra
 Krish Nagrani
 Umaima Fatima
 Ayana Nakhwa
 DPS Modern Indian School
 Rajagiri Public School
 Modern English School

(Third position shared)

All the participants were given Digital Certificates.

WINNERS OF INTRASCHOOL COMPETITIONS

Sr. No.	Activity	Name of the student	Grade / Section	Position
		Arathi Subhash	VI C	First
1	Poster Making	Gagan Parashar	VI D	Second
		Alvin Avinash	VI D	Third

Sr. No.	Activity	Name of the student	Grade / Section	Position
1	Poster Making	Athulya Subhash	IX B	First
		Jasmita Dayananda	VIII C	Second
2	Essay Writing	Yashvi Celeste Kumar	VIII A	First
		Jagrut Vivek Rai	IX A	Second

Sr. No.	Activity	Name of the student	Grade / Section	Position
		Shourya Viraj Singh	V A	First
1	Poster Making	Ovee Bhousle	V C	Second
		Arzhan Equbal	IV C	Third

Sr. No.	Activity	Name of the student	Grade / Section	Position
	Poster Making	Harshant Gopinath	III D	First
1		Anum Khalid	II E	Second
		Sonika	II B	Third
2	Collage	Anay Vats	IΒ	First

HINDI DIWAS @ KINDERGARTEN



KG 1: To commemorate and respect the National language and to imbibe interest for Hindi language in students, Hindi Diwas was celebrated on September 14th,2020.

Little tots tried to spread the message "Hindi hamaari shaan hain; Desh ka abhimaan hain".

Students of **Kindergarten** sang some songs, some of them said the quotes while some were very happy to tell stories in Hindi. Videos were sent which was indeed a delight to the eyes.

Click here KG 1: https://bit.ly/3mJbVlm

KG 2: Language is the simplest source of expression......

To awaken the importance and to commemorate the adoption of Hindi language, we at **KG2** had set a collaborative effort by encouraging the students to speak a few lines on the importance of Hindi language and by narrating their favorite short story in Hindi, which would pave their paths as initial steps towards literary activities.

The little ones were seen at their best performance and were adorable in expressing them. They were excited to recite rhymes and keep up the essence of the day.

Click here: https://bit.ly/2RRT9u4



BLUE DAY @ KG 1

'Blue is the color of the sparkling sea; Blue is the sky that looks down at me. Blue is the colour of loyalty, strength, and wisdom'.

Kindergarten students celebrated **'Blue Day'.** It was a pleasant and a cool blue day for the tiny tots. The classrooms were decorated with blue balloons and children were introduced to different shades of blue like blue whale, blue sky, blue car and blue balloons. Recognition of blue colour was done with blue colour crayons. All the students came dressed up in different shades of blue. All the little ones performed the activity of colouring face mask with blue colour and took the snaps. The little tots seemed overjoyed and were thrilled to see different shades of blue. Celebration of days are new ways to attract students to learn and perform better in their academics.

Click here: https://bit.ly/360m6Mw





TEACHERS' DAY: CELEBRATING RESILIENCE AND PATIENCE

"Teacher is the soul who lightens the world with the light of knowledge."

Teachers' Day is celebrated all across the world. Teachers' Day celebrations are meant to acknowledge, thank, appreciate, and honor the amazing work the teachers do for the society. As a token of their love for their teachers, students of **Kindergarten 1** had sent videos with thanksgiving notes. Students showed their affection to their class teacher's in the form of cards, speeches and gratitude.

Students of **Kindergarten 2** shared their love and acknowledged the efforts and hard work of their teachers with their little creative minds to make hand printed and varied beautiful cards with their imaginations flying with overwhelming notes, denoting their altruistic affection for their adored ones who makes school their second home.

Click here to watch KG 1 videos:

: https://bit.ly/2HoW0sd

 $: \underline{https://bit.ly/3hW6SKU}$

: https://bit.ly/33XRKaT

: https://bit.ly/3kHNYJf

 $: \underline{https://bit.ly/3j12k7b}$

: https://bit.ly/2RQeQuq

: https://bit.ly/33SsfHP

: https://bit.ly/3jaTsMc

: https://bit.ly/3hSQD12

: https://bit.ly/3iYGnFH

: https://bit.ly/2RWkn2B

: https://bit.ly/3hZShxM













Click here for KG 2 videos: https://bit.ly/3021G15

Students from the **Primary wing** presented their teachers with a self-made virtual card as a token of their love and appreciation. **Grade 1** Teachers created an innovative video sharing goodwill and appreciation for their colleagues.

Click here to watch the video: https://bit.ly/2Si90lv

Students of the **Secondary School** shared beautiful handmade greeting cards, e – greetings, presentations and video messages, songs, etc. to show their affection and express their sincere gratitude towards their teachers.

It was an overwhelming experience for all the teachers to receive this love and affection virtually.











CONCEPT RECAP

It has been six months since we reopened our school for the academic year 2020-21 and adopted the "new normal" way of teaching through online platforms in this pandemic situation. We started conducting the Online classes using the Microsoft Teams and Zoom platform in the month of April. Since then we have been trying to improve week after week and give our best using all the resources available and impart all our knowledge to the students.

But as we all know that only teaching is not the part of education, we also must check how much the students are absorbing from our teaching and where they need to put in extra efforts.

So, we started taking the quizzes using the Microsoft Forms and this month, we conducted the third Concept Recap (earlier known as Digital Assessment) from 17th to 22nd September, 2020. All the core subjects and Languages were included in it.

Now the students are preparing for their Term 1 Exam in full swing. Revision of the same was taken from 24th September to 1st October.









GRANDPAS AND GRANDMAS ARE JUST AWESOME

GRANDPARENTS, the greatest treasure ever, greatest story tellers and bonds a family with love and care. Never can anyone take the place of grandparents in a child's life nor can anyone give little children what they do for them. They are great at being a cheer squad and adore to enter into children's pride in their accomplishments.



"Grandparents are a delightful blend of laughter, caring deeds, wonderful stories and love."

Grandparents are a treasure for our life. Students of **Kindergarten 1** revived their memories through pictures and some of them spoke few lines for their grandparents.

The day was celebrated to instill in younger mind the precious asset we have in our life and they are the reason for us being the human being we are today.

Click here: https://bit.ly/334eLK0

KG2 students were eager to introduce their grandparents sharing photo collage and twinning photos with them. Reflecting for a few moments on the shared experiences and fun would be all the inspiration our students need to let their grandparents know how they feel. Grandparents also shared their love for the little ones on this cheerful day.

Click here: https://bit.ly/3cBSXbN

Grandparent's love and to acknowledge that love we at Monarch International school celebrated Grandparents day on 13th of September with much fervour. Students of **Grade 1 to 5** were asked to spend a memorable evening with their grandparents and share photographs of those candid moments. Children sent beautiful pictures of frames frozen in time defying its transient nature same as the love of grandparents. These were not just photographs, reflecting on a few moments of shared experiences and fun plays a key role in making the child realise the importance of spending time with the wise Elders much better than being advised.

Click here Grade 1 : https://bit.ly/36aiFCZ
Primary Wing : https://bit.ly/36aiFCZ

INTERACTIVE VIRTUAL ASSEMBLY THEME: MAHATMA GANDHI

'The morning assembly is a common meeting ground which serves as a focusing centre for all forms of co-curricular activities.'

A morning assembly is an open-air meeting of the whole school at a single place which starts the day on a cool and calm note. DPS Monarch International School conducted a special online assembly on the theme of Gandhi Jayanti on Sunday, 27th September 2020.

Keeping the teachings of Mahatma Gandhi as core values, the Primary Wing also conducted its first online class assembly for the academic year 2020-21 on 27 September. The theme of the assembly was 'Tribute to Mahatma Gandhi'. Students of Grade 1-5 presented speeches poems, songs and quotes by Gandhiji highlighting the power of non-violence and love for the development of the entire humanity.

To watch the students of Primary wing speaking at the morning assembly, click on the given link: https://bit.ly/2GbC6AF







The students of **Grade VI to IX** were welcomed by their respective HRTs followed by the introduction of the assembly. The assembly started with a prayer recitation and after that all the students sang Qatar National Anthem followed by Indian National Anthem. To create deeper enlightenment, thought of the day was also proposed. Then to mark the importance of Gandhi Jayanti students presented speeches, enactments, songs, etc. Motivational messages were given by the HRTs and the assembly ended with a school song sung by the students.

Overall the students enjoyed and attended the assembly with vigour and enthusiasm.

CAPTIVATING STORYTELLING SESSION BY THE EMBASSY OF INDIA

The Embassy of India, Qatar hosted a captivating storytelling session conducted by a renowned Gandhian, **Dr. Shobhana Radhakrishna** narrating stories from the life of the 'Mahatma', as part of "Gandhi Katha" today. We are proud to show case active participation of our students from Grade 1-9 who witnessed this amazing experience by listening to stories narrated by her.

We thank the Embassy of India, Qatar to provide us with this opportunity to understand 'Mahatma' through the art of storytelling.

#IndianEmbassyQatar

#GandhiJayanti2020

#BapuAt150

Click here: https://bit.ly/3kRqRfy











PIANO PRODIGY WINS INAUGURAL NAGHAM COMPETITION IN QATAR

DPS Monarch International School is extremely proud to share that Nidhikshana Pandian, student of **Grade IX A** has recently won Inaugural Nagham Competition in the piano category by the Music Affairs Center which was conducted by the Ministry of Culture and Sports, Qatar on Sunday, 15th September, 2020. She was declared as an audience winner by the jury as she mesmerised everyone present for the competition with her singing and playing the piano.





An award ceremony was held on Friday, 25th September, 2020 in which Nidhikshana Pandian was applauded by the jury and audience for her stellar performance in the competition. She was honoured with two trophies and a cash prize of QR 10,000 by the jury for best playing the piano and singing. The award is a milestone in the life of the winner and a proud moment for all of us Heartiest Congratulations Nidhikshana Pandian and her parents for this glorious achievement from the school Management and DPS Monarch fraternity.

PRINCIPALS' MEET WITH INDIAN AMBASSADOR TO QATAR

A virtual meeting was organized on 16th September 2020, between His Excellency **Dr. Deepak Mittal**, Ambassador of India to the State of Qatar and principals of different schools in the country.

Our School Principal, **Ms. Meenal Bakshi**, had the privilege to meet the Ambassador and be a part of the stimulating discussion, wherein views were exchanged on building synergies and harnessing potential in addition to the impact of the present scenario. The Ambassador congratulated for the hard work and dedication in pursuing the online technology to impart education at every students' doorstep. He also acknowledged the immense contributions and efforts put forward by schools.

Click here: https://bit.ly/30egURu





TEACHERS WORKSHOP ON MICROSOFT TEAM AND SCHOOL PORTAL

Ms Shahana P N, Member of the IT Department conducted a workshop on 'How to conduct classes on Teams' for the teachers of Primary wing and 'Operating the School Portal' for teachers of Kindergarten -Grade 9.

All teachers were trained in an online workshop followed by queries session handled by the resource person.





It's time for the students to gear up for the exams. Grade I to IV Unit Test and Grade **V to IX** Term 1 exam will be conducted from Monday, 5th to 17th October, 2020. Wishing all our students good luck for their exams!

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

Gandhi Jayanti (KG- Grade 9)

International Teachers' Day (Grade 6-9)

Qatar Debate Competition

Unit Test (Grade 1 - 4)

Term 1 Exam (Grade 5 - 9)

World Animal Welfare Day (KG 1 & 2)

Kiddy's Kitchen/World Food Day (KG 1 & 2)

Academic Term I Report Publication (KG 1 to 9)

World Post Office Day (KG 1)

PTM Grade (KG 1 to 9)



