

**IN\_THIS\_ISSUE:** Annual Day of KG 2, Graduation Day, Annual Day of Primary wing, Bonding Ceremony, Supporting staff party, Events Update, Academic Updates, Workshops, Upcoming Events...

Yet Another Academic Year Ends... With full of memories and accomplishments. Happiness of climbing a step; But anxieties of a new prep Well, endings are always a bit enigmatic So why Dont we make it a bit dramatic?

Have a glimpse of Kindergarten and Primary Annual production two days dedicated to art, music, drama and fun.

# **DPS-Monarch Annual Day** PRIMARY SCHOOL PRODUCTION

**Primary wing of DPS Monarch international School** celebrated the much-awaited **Annual Day** on **19th March** and the production was an avant-garde. The occasion was graced by **Mr. Hassan Chougule**, School President along with School Directors and Council members, Principal **Ms. Meenal Bakshi**, Headmistress of Middle & Secondary school **Ms. Madhu Uppa**I, Headmaster of KG & Primary School, **Mr. Sujith Kumar. Mr. Khalifa Al-Suwaidi**, Director, MEKDAM Holding Group was was the esteemed Chief Guest for the event.



The school production through its theatrical enactment flavoured with music and dance put on an innovative and thought-provoking performance of "Alice in Digiland" last night, wowing the audience with their creativity and technical prowess. The story followed Alice's journey through Wonderland, as she encountered a variety of whimsical characters, including the Cheshire Cat, the Mad Hatter, and the Queen of Hearts. The musical brought the classic tale to life with colourful costumes and imaginative sets. The play reimagined the classic story of Alice's adventures in Wonderland in the context of the digital age. The production used cutting-edge technology and multimedia elements to transport the audience into a fantastical cyber-world, where Alice navigated a series of challenges. The cast and crew showed impressive technical skills, with stunning visual effects and intricate lighting design creating a dynamic and immersive experience. The use digital art added an extra layer of depth to the production, with the set transforming seamlessly from one scene to the next. The performances were equally impressive, with the cast bringing a modern twist to their characters. Overall, "Alice in Digiland" was a daring and ambitious production, showcasing the talent and creativity of the students and staff involved. The play's themes of technology, identity, and self-discovery resonated with the audience, sparking conversations and awe long after the curtains closed.





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Life has a very uncanny way of exposing us to different things, so fasten your seatbelt to feel the most boisterous event which will make you plunge into a mesmerizing world of blue and green. This spectacular event of annual day celebration took place on a huge platform which was graced by all the school dignitaries and the chief guest being **Sheikha Hissa Salman Al Thani** Manager Ooredoo.

With the air being so fresh and nippy, our pirate crew just does not want you to stand still while it plays swaying thoughts in your mind about the treasure seekers sailing to different ambient lands of riches, where you'll take a moment to soak yourself in the misty blue of dancing angels of **Kindergarten 2**. Our little angles were all geared up to exhibit the culture of different countries through dance with great pomp and show, it was just so amazing to see the little tots on the dais with excitement move their body to the beat and rhythm.

Parents were all overwhelmed with surprise and happiness to see their little ones perform, which made their eyes sparkle in the dark. The show took up to heights when the kindergarten choir of nightingales with their fruity voices dissolved the crowd in a musical world of chords.

Awesomeness in the air, was when the kindergarten teachers had their voices in chorus for a beautiful choir performance for the graduating children.

This grand show of excited and enchanted adventure steeped in beauty and culture came to an end without a glitch, a big heartfelt thanks to all the teaching fraternity of the kindergarten team and teachers from various departments for their untiring efforts put forth for the success of this event.

ALL THE VERY BEST TO OUR GRADUATING GLITTERS OF KINDERGARTEN. COLORS OF LIFE: ITCHED ON OUR HEARTS FOREVER.











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# **Get Together - Bondings**

### Coming together is beginning; Keeping together is progress; Working together is success; and Celebrating together is Bonding!

On 16th March, 2023 DPS Monarch International School, organized a celebration for all to experience a stress-free evening to enjoy the feeling of being together as a Team. Our **Principal Ms. Meenal Bakshi** welcomed us and encouraged all teachers to exhibit their talent. The Program began with an excellent Veena performance by our Special Educator, Ms. Thamarai Selvi, Cultural Head, Mr. Rajib Das and faculty of Music, Ms. Coral followed by a solo song sang by Mr. Renji Jacob and Mr. Govind who mesmerized the audience and an energetic and vibrant group song by Secondary School Teachers. An enthralled duet was sang by Mr. Parvez and Ms. Vibhavari Soni.



Teachers were also appreciated and awarded for their hard work and dedication who worked diligently throughout the academic year in forms of various awards such as **Best Team Player Award**, **Best Innovator Award**, **Go that Extra Mile and Key Changer Award**.

Our school President, **Mr. Hassan Chougle,** appreciated each and every teacher for exhibiting their talent and with his humorous speech made us feel ecstatic. He shared his love for poetry and music and how this event made him feel nostalgic.

Our school Executive Committee Directors, Mr. Rocky Fernandes and Mr. Sreedharan Kunniramath too shared their love for singing song by quoting short humours stories and personal experiences.

Delicious Snacks and Dinner were well arranged in the sports ground with exquisite seating arrangement for all the staff. This Bond of being together made us a part of DPS Monarch family.

### **DPS Monarch International School Felicitates its Support Staff**



A year end gala dinner to felicitate the support staff was organized by the management of **DPS Monarch International School** on Tuesday evening. The event took place at our school MPH and was organized to honour the outstanding contributions of our staff members towards the success and growth of our school. The ceremony was attended by the senior management team, **Mr. Hassan Chougule**, School President, **Mr. Yasir Nainar**, School Vice-President along with School Directors **Mr. George Thomas**, **Mr. Rocky Fernandes**, **Mr. Gopi Varadan** and **Mr. Sreedharan Kunniramath**, Principal **Ms. Meenal Bakshi**, Headmistress of Middle & Secondary school **Ms. Madhu Uppal**, Headmaster of KG & Primary School, **Mr. Sujith Kumar** and Head of Facilities **Mr. Shashi Patra**.



The function began with a warm welcome on behalf of the management team by Mr. Shashi Pathra, who gave an enthralling speech expressing their appreciation for the support staff for their tireless efforts and dedication towards achieving organizational goals. The ceremony was also marked by entertainment and cultural performances by our support team, which added to the festive atmosphere of the event. All participated with enthusiasm and enjoyed thoroughly. The entertainment themselves activities helped create a relaxed and friendly atmosphere, allowing our support staff to mingle and interact with each other in a relaxing unofficial environment. Several staff members were recognized and felicitated for their exceptional performance and contributions to the school. The awards included the "Employee of the Year," "Best Team Player," and "Excellence Award." The highlight of the event was the food, which was arranged by the management team. The catering team provided a buffet of delicious dishes, including desi delicacies, which were enjoyed by all.

SUPPORTING STAFF FELICITATION

The ceremony concluded with a vote of thanks by **Mr. Altaf Majid Shaikh** who expressed his gratitude towards the management for their commitment towards providing support staff members with a conducive working environment, fair compensation, and opportunities for growth and development. In conclusion, the ceremony for the support staff members was a resounding success, and it served as a reminder of the crucial role played by them in any organization's success.



SUPPORTING STAFF FELICITATION

# All set to take the next step

KGI 100 As our little toddlers completed their one wonderful year in **kindergarten 1**. As the school year ends on **March 14th**, a pencil photo frame activity was done where they enjoyed doing the activity. Finally bidding goodbye to all dear students, wishing them all a very bright future.



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# Fiitjee Smart Assessment "Self-belief and hard work will always earn you success."

DPS-Monarch International School in association with FIIT JEE International conducted a SMART Assessment (Science, Mathematics, Aptitude & Reward Test) on Wednesday, 18th January, 2023 for Grade V to IX.

The test is mainly aimed to tap the raw talent in the fields of Science, Mathematics and General Aptitude/IQ and that too at an early and right age. The outcome of the result shall be mapped with their present potential in these subjects. A detailed report shall be shared with all the parents on various parameters so that they can correlate the relative performance of their wards.

In the current age of spurt in **STEM**, the hunt for right kind of aptitude is on the top in the industry and this test complements the required parameters to a greater extent.

It is conducted by FIITJEE which has been guiding students in GCC since 2007 and many students have excelled in similar kind of exams in colleges and industry.

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The toppers from each grade shall be awarded with trophies and certificates.

The students who have secured first, second and third position from Grade V to IX are as follows:



CLASS VI				
501065	CHIDVILAS REDDY NARSING	6A	RANK 1	
500516	NILANSH SRIVASTAVA	6A	RANK 2	
501533	SHAURYA MUKESH SATWANI	6A	RANK 3	

CLASS VII				
503823	RUDRA SRIVASTAVA	7A	RANK 1	
501857	EVELYN DANIEL	7A	RANK 2	
504132	AEINDRI GHOSH	7A	RANK 3	

CLASS VIII			
503624	DIVANSHI BHAMBRI	8A	RANK 1
503072	VEERAL MEHUL PAREKH	8A	RANK 2
501726	ARCHIT PANKAJ SHINGOTE	8A	RANK 3

	CLASS IX		
501356	ANIKA DUGGAL	9A	RANK 1
501585	ROHAN VELIGETI	9A	RANK 2
501610	RISHITH SHYLESH VAKUNDAKAR	9A	RANK 3

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CLASS V					
503557	NAILAH FATIMAH	5B	RANK 1		
503474	PRAJWAL GUDIPUDI	5F	RANK 2		
500365 NAVANI KUTTYERI JENEESH 5B RANK					

CLASS VI			
500031	JUWAIN RAFHATH	6B	RANK 1
500745	JEZIRA FATIMA KENNEDY	6A	RANK 2
500256	MISHAL MOHAMED NEDIYODATH	6B	RANK 3

CLASS VII			
501253	MRINAL DABI	7E	RANK 1
501439	NEER GROVER	7D	RANK 2
503118	ELIZABETH MADHU POONTHURA	7 <b>A</b>	RANK 3

CLASS VIII					
503754	UMRA PARVEZ KHAN	8E	RANK 1		
502518	AMEESHA SIRAJUDEEN SIRAJUDEEN	8E	RANK 2		
503908	RAMSHA SUHEL	8B	RANK 3		
CLASS IX					

CLASSIA			
501864	PURVA MANISHKUMAR PATEL	9D	RANK 1
504061	MOHAMMAD FAUZAN FAROOQUI	9D	RANK 2
502641	ANTO JUVAN KAGOO	9E	RANK 3

## Final Term Exam - Grade V to XI

"Exam day is when you have the opportunity to show what you have learnt after all your hard work and study."



**DPS-MONARCH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL** conducted final exams for the year 2022-23 for Primary, Middle and Secondary School.

After the exams, students were anxiously waiting to see their exam answer papers. All the students could witness the result of their hard work and were able to see their answer sheets on the day allotted to the respective grades.

Paper showing was followed by **Result Analysis**, where the teachers prepared the list of meritorious, and subject toppers and helped in conducting retest for some students who couldn't manage to get the qualifying marks in the final exams.

The results were successfully published in the portal after verification.

## **Inter School Football Tournament**

### "Every experience, good or bad, you have to learn from it."



**DPS Monarch International School** students participated in the Inter **School Football Tournament**, which was conducted by **Education above all (Goals4good)**. Our teams participated in two categories: Primary and Secondary. The tournament was conducted in a league + knockout rounds.

Our Primary school team was in group A, which is consisted of four teams. We played three matches in the league round against the other teams in our group.

In the first match DPS Monarch team won by 3-0 against the British Modern International School. However, in the second match, we lost against AI Manar International School with a score of 0-1. In the third match, we played against the Bangladesh MHM school team, and the match was drawn.

After the completion of the league round, our team was in the 3rd position in A group, with a total of 4 points. As per the rules of the tournament, only the winners of each group qualified for the knockout round. Our Secondary team performed well in the league round of the ABC Football Tournament. The team showed a lot of potential and sportsmanship during the tournament, and we hope to perform better in future tournaments.

## **Educational Trip: Visit To Baladna Park**

"It's better to see something once than to hear about it a thousand times."



Hardwork truly deserves reward. After having toiled hard for exams, it was time for the students to relax and enjoy which could be best achieved on a field trip with friends around. So, we went for it. Our enthusiastic Monarchians of **Grade VI to XI and XI** were super excited for the thrill. Their smile and energy said it all. It was an enjoyable and an overwhelming visit to **Baladna Park** for the students where they witnessed a lot of fun activities.







They were accompanied by their teachers. Our principal, Ms. Meenal Bakshi and our Secondary School Headmistress, Ms. Madhu Uppal sent them for the trip with wishes and basic instructions. From adventurous activities, attractive rides to watching Baladna's petting zone which had Lamas, Zebras, Ostriches, Bunnies, reptiles, ponies around cheered them heartily. A refreshing meal, photographs with friends and engaging sports made their day. Our Monarchians could be seen defeating the heat which could not stop them from having fun.





### International Mathematics and Science Study (TIMSS)

The International Association for the Evaluation of Educational Achievement (IEA) is an independent international cooperative of national research institutions and government agencies that has been conducting studies of cross-national achievement since 1959. Internationally recognized as a valid and reliable measure of student achievement in Mathematics and Science at the Fourth and Eighth grades, IEA's TIMSS has reported on international achievement trends every four years since 1995.

TIMSS 2023 is the eighth assessment, enabling participating countries to chart the progress of their education systems over a 28-year period. TIMSS is designed to measure and interpret differences in national educational systems in order to help improve the teaching and learning of Mathematics and Science worldwide. Since the 2019 cycle, TIMSS has transitioned from paper-pencil to computerbased administration.

More than 60 countries participated in TIMSS 2023. Qatar is one of the countries that participated in this important project. In Qatar, a sample of schools had been selected. **DPS Monarch International School** is one of them. Around fifty four students from **Grade IV B and VIII D** took the TIMSS Achievement Test and completed Student Questionnaire as well. The test was timed and was taken up by the students on the TIMSS Player software. TIMSS Test In charges were **Mr. Aban Samuel and Ms. Nausheen Ali.** 



## **Scholastic Aptitude Test**

DPS Monarch International School is a centre for **SAT (Scholastic Aptitude Test)** which is a standardized test administered by the College Board. SAT is the exam given by students who wish to seek admission in undergraduates' program from many prestigious universities in India and abroad.

A Digital SAT was conducted on 11<sup>th</sup> March, 2023 which was of three hours and consisted of three tests: 1. **Reading Test, 2. Writing and Language Tests and 3. Math Test.** A hundred and ten students from different schools around Qatar came up to take up the test. The test was conducted smoothly with proper guidance rendered to the students and quadrant planning.

With only a few schools being recognized as a center, DPS Monarch International School as one of the centers for SAT is one of the greatest achievements and instant pride as not only the students from our school but all the students in our community will be benefited due to familiar surroundings and easy access.

#### **CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR TEACHERS**

#### "It's the teacher that makes the difference, not the classroom".

Workshops give the teachers the opportunity for continuous professional development to learn new ways, methods, strategies, skills and much more. DPS Monarch International School organized several core professional development training modules for their educators on 26th March, 2023 with internal and external resource persons.

Leading With A Purpose - A Leadership Training "Before you are a leader, success is all about growing yourself. When you become a leader, success is all about growing others."



Continuous upskilling and reskilling are the keys for a strong and constructive team for any professional landscape. Agility, adaptability, creating strategic direction are the norms for leaders to build a team in a robust manner as the world needs new thinking and style for better functioning and empowerment. In view with this, DPS Monarch International school's governing board empowered the school's core team of leadership with a plenary apportioned the theme, **'Leading with a purpose'- A training to school leaders.** 

The session was conducted by **School Vice President Mr. Yasir Nainar** as resource person, on Monday, 27th March in the school Multi-Purpose Hall, where the Principal of the school, **Ms. Meenal Bakshi**, Secondary and Senior Secondary school Headmistress, **Ms. Madhu Uppal**, Kindergarten, Primary and Middle school Headmaster, **Mr. Sujith Kumar**, Coordinators of Kindergarten, Primary, Middle and Secondary school, and Heads of all the departments were the attendees of the program.



The session was started with welcome address by Ms. Sudha Bhuvaneswaran, Head of Department English, followed by felicitation of the guest, where a token of gratitude was bestowed to the school vice president as the resource person of the day. The session was an introspective slot which revamped the critical skills by navigating the important aspects in leadership like 'a leader of position to creating a leader of legacy'. The session was an amazing amalgam of research, experience and strategies by the resource person which created a positive domino effect in the attendees who were left motivated and inspired. The attendees were encouraged to extend the research on the context by reading '25 irrefutable laws in leadership' by John Maxwell.

The session was concluded with a feedback and gratitude note by Ms. Sudha Bhuvaneswaran, expressing gratitude for having scheduled and attended a plenary during zero hour and also highlighted the incorporation and integration of the discussed critical leadership inspects in exercise and assuring the quality induction for an ultimate result oriented and empowering arena ,which will drive the school towards a legacy.

#### **Empowering Educators: Life Skills Curriculum Training**

Posters
 Reward system
 Fancy dress
 School Assembly
 Story telling -puppet
 quiz
 Usage of technology

Jig -saw puzzles

Under Capacity Building Programme (CBP) organized by DPS International School, a workshop was conducted by our school Counsellor, Ms. Reema Raheja on 29th March, 2023 for the Kindergarten, Primary and Secondary school teachers on Life Skills Curriculum.



The event was organized under the aegis of the Capacity Building Programme Training that enables and develops the learning of its faculty.

Various important aspects were focused upon like the objectives of different values and life skills education at primary and secondary levels. Different techniques and strategies that will be effective in implementation were discussed. Teachers' queries were taken care, the curriculum framework at different levels were deliberated. An interactive session with different hands-on activities were conducted to accomplish the session.

Mindful Teaching For Students With Special Needs " All the world is a laboratory to the inquiring mind."



**DPS Monarch International School** organized a training program on 27th March 2023 for an inclusive classroom for teachers titled **"Mindful Teaching for Students with Special Needs"** led by **Ms. Thamarai Selvi,** School Educator of Children With Special Needs. The session began with an interesting clap activity followed by the teachers learning about chronological age, physical age, and mental age through various activities. During a mindfulness exercise, the teachers learnt how to interact with children with special needs. It was a lively and productive session.

## **Science STEM Summit**



Learning is a lifelong process of keeping abreast of change. Our passionate teachers at DPS Monarch International School believe in continuous learning and adopting new strategies to make education more interesting. **Principal, Ms. Meenal Bakshi**, Head of Science Department, **Ms. Jyoti Mohanty** and other teachers including **Mr. Jamal Yousuf**, **Ms. Manju Prakashan**, **Ms. Rashmi Vijaykumar**, **Ms. Nishat Begum**, **Ms. Preethi Seth and Ms. Yasmeen Razvi** attended a Summit on Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) held at QNCC on 14th March 2023. The summit was an excellent opportunity to bring together professionals, educators, policymakers, and students to share their experiences and ideas on how to improve STEM education and increase the number of students pursuing STEM careers. The summit was attended by professionals, educators, policymakers, and students who shared their experiences and ideas on how to improve STEM education and increase the number of students pursuing STEM careers. The summit covered various aspects of STEM education and careers, stressing mainly upon the early exposure of

students to STEM subjects and Hands-on learning to lay foundation for their future studies and careers. The speakers stressed on the importance of focusing on real-world applications of STEM subjects. The summit highlighted the importance of hands-on learning in STEM education. The speakers also emphasized the significance of collaborative learning in STEM education.

#### CPD

#### **Effective Life Skills Education For Sustainable Development**



Our teachers, Farah Mirza and Anupama Nambiar attended a workshop on life skills was conducted at MES Indian School, Doha on 18th March 2023.

More than 150 teachers from 17 schools participated in this workshop. The resource person for the workshop was Mrs Farhana Nazeer and Mrs Remya Nandakumar. Various teaching strategies and techniques that instill life skills at the formative age of students were discussed. There was a wide array of activities related to the topic, which drew the participation of everyone and benefitted us as teachers.

The topic was relevant and essential, especially in today's world, where sustainability is a significant concern. It was an incredibly informative and insightful session.

### **Qatar National Schools Accreditation (QNSA)**

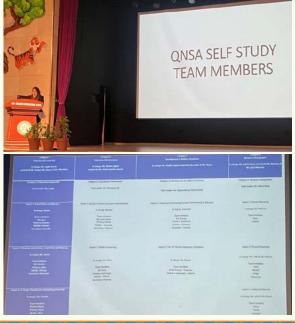
The State of Qatar launched the Qatar National Schools Accreditation (QNSA) for private schools in 2011 which provides quality assessments on schools based on their academic, educational and administrative performances.

For a school to start the **Qatar National Accreditation** process, it must pass the mandatory Evaluation, which ensures that a school has achieved the basic requirements needed to move on to the accreditation process to ensure the quality of education and its development.

In order to highlight areas of strength and at the same time to obtain recommendation to resolve some areas that will result in improvement, the framework of School Evaluation Administration works together on four major categories including a set of important aspects such as Educational Leadership, Educational Performance, Development and Welfare of Learners and Resource Management.

For each category, Teachers In-charges are working in co-ordination and monitoring the working of school to maintain it up to international standards in terms of quality and performance. The inspection by QNSA Team will be done from 10th to 12th April, 2023.

**Principal, Ms. Meenal Bakshi** under her guidance and mentorship carried out a detailed workshop to explain the working of QNSA and the procedures to be followed for the same.



### Joyful Movement- Jubiliant Finale For DPS Monarch



There was a Capacity Building Program on Science in Doha Modern Indian School on the Topic: **Implementing Chemistry Ideas-Nano Technology to Control Pollution.** This informative session was attended by Mr. Rajeev and Mr. Jamal Yousuf.

In addition to that, they also conducted a few sessions. In one of the sessions - 'Sharing the Best Teaching Practice', each school presented their own teaching methodologies. The teaching methodologies presented by our school was recognized as the Best and Innovative. It was indeed a proud moment for us as the award was given to our young and enthusiastic Chemistry facilitator Mr. Rajeev Kumar Mandal for implementing unique innovative technique on Nano Technology to Control Pollution.

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#### **Congratulations Mr. Rajeev!**

# **Digital Transformation in Education**



workshop The digital learning easy-to-access

was conducted by platform which information and

Cypher Learnina, enables students with accelerated learning.

The workshop was instructive and illuminating. It focused on the roles of students, teachers, and parents in the teaching-learning and how with the use of technology and e-learning, process a bigger change in the field of education can be brought.

The participants actively participated in the discussion and overall the workshop was informative and enlightening.



## **Utilizing Portal Updates And Handling System, Softwares** And Websites

IT Department of DPS Monarch International School organized an orientation program on Using Portal Updates by Ms. Poornima and Handling System, Softwares and Websites by IT Head, Mr. Krishnappa on 29 March 2023.

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Furthermore, Mr. Krishnappa enlightened the teachers with the methods of cleaning the system cache, clearing the browsing history in browser, avoiding saving passwords as it can be saved on google chrome. He added that several sites are accessible from the school network, and few sites are not accessible and are blocked in school network due to security issues. He also guided how to use zoom effectively.

## **Project Based Learning**

Our teachers, Dhirja Madan and Sajna Anas attended a workshop on the topic Project Based Learning took place in the MP Hall of M.E.S Indian School, Doha on 18.03.2023 from 10.00 am to 12.30 p.m. Ms. Nasreen anchored the program, Ms. Pramila Kannan, Principal of M.E.S Indian school, gave a warm welcome to the teachers. Ms. Hasmya Furkan and Ms. Reshmi Girish presented the event describing the importance and need of Project Based Learning in the current scenario which allows students to develop deep content knowledge. Teachers enjoyed the session as they were involved in performing some projects and activities related to the topic. Ms. Riya Antony delivered the vote of thanks. It was indeed a very informative and enlightening session.



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**English:** Good teachers become great teachers by going beyond the call of duty and beyond the textbook. Keeping this in mind, the English Department organized a workshop on **Augmenting for Meta Cognition**, as a part of continuous professional development on how to make the English language more noteworthy and come vibrant.

The professional development was conducted by **Ms. Sudha Bhuvaneswaran**, HOD of **English Department** and all the English teachers from grade 5 to 12 attended the session.

During the session, many innovative techniques were shown on how to draw the attention of the students and make the class very lively and interesting. The session started with the term 'meta cognition' means awareness and understanding of one's own thought processes followed by an interactive session for habits of highly effective people. Later she discussed the '5 Es' which are "Engage, Explore, Explain, Elaborate and Evaluate" and '4 Cs' which are "connection, challenge, concept and Changes" which these key points really going to improve our skills in the teaching process. She explained how we could merge the conventional methods with metacognition. The session was concluded with a demonstration class for the poem 'Fire and Ice' written by Robert Frost and beautifully explained how to connect the 5Es and 4 Cs with a lesson.

To accomplish, our goal as an educator is to impart a passion for education within the classroom. The session was very informative and enriching.



**Malayalam:** The **Malayalam Department** oorganized a virtual Malayalam workshop on the topic **"Enhanced Language Learning".** The session was conducted by **Mr. Krishnadas** who was the HOD of Malayalam Department of the Indian School Muscat. The session was quite beneficial for both secondary as well as primary teachers. The session was very interactive. Teachers were taught to take classes in a motivated and encouraging manner. He introduced many activities and tips which would be useful in a class. He encouraged the teachers to impose inclusive education on the students of Malayalam. Overall, the session was very productive.

**Tamil:** The **Tamil Department** organized a professional development program on **Techniques of Teaching Literature and Grammar** by a resource person **Ms. Sundari** who has 35 years of teaching experience in CBSE Curriculum and others. She shared her experience and conduct the session on Grade VI to VIII Literature and Grammar Teaching techniques with different examples to make the student to understand the concept easily. Department teachers interacted to her to get their doubt cleared. Through this session as teachers, we have learned the simple teaching technique to enhance teaching effectively.

Hindi: The Hindi Department organized a workshop on Art Integration according to the new education policy, joyful learning, and multidisciplinary integration by the resource person Mr. Dr. Vinod Prasoon.

The faculty members learned about the strategy of problem-solving methods using the concepts in the Hindi language in an interactive way. We must build up confidence in students in their native language. By making the subject interesting, students will easily understand and cope with the language. The teachers must focus on making students understand matra and their practice instead of learning. We need to build up imaginative thoughts and their execution to improve social knowledge.

In short, being teachers, we should take a step forward for our students' improvement. This is the correct meaning of teaching that can make a good change for the betterment of society.

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Mathematics: A workshop on **Role of Innovative Practices and Methods in Mathematics Education** conducted by **Dr. Hemalatha Subramanian** as a part of CPD program for **Mathematics teachers**. The workshop was conducted on a virtual platform and the teachers of the Mathematics Department attended the workshop.

Dr. Hemalatha Subramanian She started with a problem to get all the participants involved. She emphasized the importance of mental Maths. She discussed about different teaching philosophies for different types of students. She discussed about making students knowledgeable rather to teach them with relating topics with day-to-day applications. She also stated that teachers should study for at least 30 minutes a day and learn new topics or new methods to teach old topics. She discussed how teachers should begin a class with an open-ended question and a closed ended question which will help students to remember, understand and analyze themselves about the previously covered topic. She suggested to allot a topic every month to all students in a class and get questions from them related to the topic. She also suggested ask the same questions in the exam too. She also told that teaching Maths should be a reverse process and students should look into what is given and what is to be proved. The entire session was very helpful and all the teachers enjoyed the workshop as they learned new methods to teach Maths in an innovative way.

ICT: The ICT Department organized a workshop on Data Science Workshop & Cisco Orientation. Mr. Mustafa Badawi led the session.

The director of the Cisco Networking Academy in Qatar Mr. Mustafa Badawi has supported numerous fruitful initiatives and academies in the area as an experienced teacher trainer with Neta Cad. He graduated from the University of Balamand with a master's in computer engineering and an executive master in business administration. He is in possession of various professional credentials from well-known companies including Cisco, Microsoft, VMware, and Huawei. For Best Academy and Best Instructor Trainer, Mr. Mustafa has earned a number of regional honors. He approaches his work with an entrepreneurial mindset and thinks that success in the digital age depends on innovation. The following instructors from the ICT and Robotics departments attended the workshop:

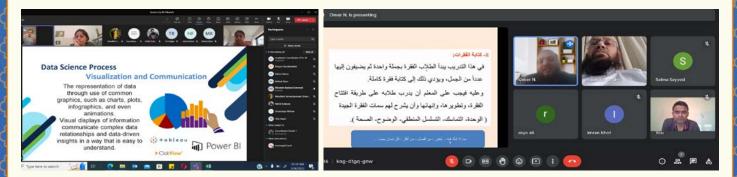
Science: The Science Department hosted a workshop on Teaching Strategies In Science by Ms. Laxmibati Das. The workshop aims to educate science teachers on different teaching strategies in science, which involve the following:

Knowledge of subject matter, planning and attitude. Engaging, Exploring, Explaining, Elaborating and Evaluating to students in class. Active learning and hands on activities or Group work. Excursion for Developing science understanding. Case studies or mini conferences and Concept maps.

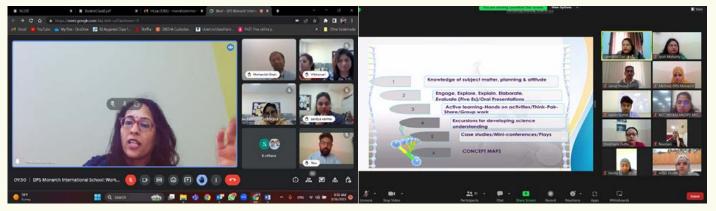
Social Science: The Social Science Department under the supervision of our dynamic Head of Social Science and the Secondary School Headmistress, Ms. Madhu Uppal, held an illuminating and highly engaging workshop virtually on Importance of Collaborating Ideas and Strategies for Effective Teaching facilitated by renowned and distinguished educationist Ms. Shalini Agarwal, having nearly 2 decades of experience in teaching at national and international levels.

As rightly quoted by her **"The best way to learn is to collaborate".** The theme of the workshop was artfully introduced by her as the workshop revolved around **the importance of collaborating ideas and strategies for effective teaching.** 

The following focal points highlighted in the workshop were focusing on the development and enhancement







of the critical thinking faculty of mind in the students. Impact of story building and Imagination for better comprehension of the scenarios from the past. History is a multidimensional discipline, as it has scientific and human facets to it. However, it can also be regarded as a narrative but has a lot more associated with it in terms of artifacts, architecture, and currency of the relevant time. Incorporation of Multiple Intelligences such as linguistic, logical, and rhythmic learning. Virtual tools and tours are used to improve understanding and broaden knowledge.

The entire session remained highly gripping with teachers' interaction and brainstorming of strategies that can be further put into effect while teaching.

**Qatar History:** The **Qatar History** department organized a workshop on Innovative Ways to Teach Qatar History by resource person **Mr. Omer Niaz Ullah.** The goal of this workshop was to make teachers aware of the different innovative ideas that they can incorporate in their teaching to make the study of Qatar History more interesting and effective in school. Mr. Omer covered different aspects of life in Qatar like culture, modern infrastructure, economy, food, education, employment politics, festivals etc. Mr. Omer also emphasized on Qatar History Lesson Plans, Ways to Improve the Teaching of Qatar History and Qatar History Assessment Papers.

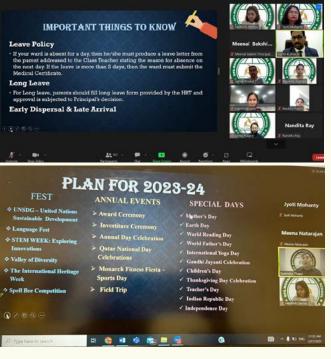
Arabic: The Arabic department conducted a workshop by the resource person Mr. Omar Niyaz Ullah on the topic The four foundations of teaching. Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing aspects were discussed in the workshop.

There was a thorough discussion on the above topics in which the teachers also took part. Overall, the workshop was extremely helpful and informative.

CPD was indeed a highly informative and educating session that left teachers enlightened and further motivated to devise lessons innovatively and to deliver in a manner that keeps their subjects alive and makes it one of the most cherished and appealing subjects for the learners.

#### Parent Orientation : KG I to Grade XII "Parents are the ultimate role models for children."

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The teacher-parent partnership is critical to the success of our young students. We must foster this partnership in every possible way. To enhance the same before the commencement new session, **Online Parent Orientations** were conducted from Monday 27<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> March, 2023 for KG 1 to Grade XII.

Principal, Ms. Meenal Bakshi, enlightened the gathering by walking through the Vision and mission and the school at a glance. She also shared the functioning of the school system, teaching methodologies, the school curriculum and the leadership team of the school. She laid stress on effective communication between the teachers and parents and also sought their support and suggestions so that the best could be done for the overall development of the students. During orientation for parents of KG1 to Grade VIII, Mr. Sujith Kumar, the Middle School Headmaster presented an overview of the Curriculum structure for grades V to VIII. Ms. Madhu Uppal, Secondary School Headmistress gave an overview of framework of Curriculum for grade IX to XII. The aim was to give parents an opportunity to experience and understand the academic frame which their child explores in every subject in the school. The Parents were given an insight upon the school's Learning System which is based on the belief that locked within every child is the inherent potential for greatness. The Academic Coordinators, Ms. Bhuvana Suraj (KG1 and KG2), Ms. Manju Prakasan (Grade I), Ms. Neetu Jayaprakash (Grade 2), Ms.Khushboo (Grade 3), Ms. Soniya Kakkar (Grade IV), Ms. Harsha Bhatia (Grade V and VI), Ms. Jyoti Mohanty (Grade VII and VIII), Ms. Neethu Balan (Grade IX and X), and Ms. Indira (Grade XI and XII) respectively, shared a vivid view of the Academic structure and announced the Home room teachers.

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The Co-scholastic Structure was presented by the Activity Coordinators, Ms. Zakia Farah (KGI and KG2), Ms.Shraddha Naik (Grade I &2), Mr.Vivek Nagra (Grade 3 to 5), Mr. Surendra Thapa (Grade V to VIII) and Ms. Radhika Pardeep Kumar (Grade IX to XII).

The Special Educator, Ms. Thamarai Selvi and School Career And Guidance Counselor, Ms. Reema shared the exemption criteria for children with special needs.

Also, portal briefing was done by IT faculty Ms. Poornima Anubal and Head of IT by Mr. Krishnappa Kadirappa to help parents to familiarize them with the Zenda Portal.

By the end of the Program, there was a Question Answer session where parents' doubts and queries were clarified. The session provided the parents a comprehensive view of how the child experiences learning at DPS Monarch International School.



# **TEACHER'S ACHIEVEMENTS**

# International Women's Day



Indian Cultural Centre celebrated International Women's Day on Wednesday, 8th March 2023. Our Principal, Ms. Meenal Bakshi, was present as a Chief Guest at the event, adding a touch of significance to the occasion.

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Doha: Indian Cultural Center celebrates 'International Women's Day'

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Indian women to ICC Asheka Hall on March & to telebrate "international Women's Day" as part of their invital calendar event to showcase womens houses

et guest of the evening was Meenul Balishi, principal Doha, Mar 12: The Indian Cultural Center Invited al. of DPS Monarch International School Other dignitaries indian women to ICC Advice Hall on March 8 to wore newly elected presidents of the apex bodies, ICC preldert AP Markartan ICM preldert Stanwa Bhava, and ISC president EP Abdurshiman along with the current management convolttive of ICC





KV/shra Kurrar Bandhukov/general secretary XCC welcomed the gathering and introduced newly elected apex body presidents. Excellent steering of show as MC was done by Ramya Vivek.

ICC vice president Subramanaya Hebbagelu, in Na speech, shared details of newly elected members and thanked current convolities for their services for last two years to indian Community. ICC sultural seo etary Shweta Kishti recalled the two years of journey while proposing a vote of thanks.

ICC presented a mements to Menral Bakshi, principal of DPS Monarch International School. She spoke about women e covernent. The keynote speaker of the event, Dr Prunitha Porvappan, genecologist at Al Abeer Medical Center spoke on breast cancer and cervical sancer awareness

Sumaa Mahesh Gowda the newly elected MC member of ICC coordinated cultural performances that were showcased by team Kalakairali. Qatar Tamil Urowugal, Kerala Woman's Initiative Ostar, a yoga and dance performance by team Fit India. A beautiful song was rendered by Samanvi Sumarith of 10 years and the show stopper moment of the evening was by woman of Saree, showcasing various woven items of India

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# **STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS**

#### **CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY - PUBLIC LECTURE BY PROF. PO-SHEN LOH**



The **Carnegie Mellon University**, **Qatar** Mathematics Department invited the students of **DPS Monarch International School** to a public lecture by **Po-Shen Loh**, **Professor of Mathematics**, **CMU**, **Pennsylvania**. The lecture was held on 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2023 at CMU Lecture Hall. Students of **Grade XI Devika Anoop**, **Saachi Dhadwal**, **Vihaan Pradeep**, **Fathima Nehrin**, **Daksh Hemal Shah and Akshit Palamthody**. attended the lecture.

Prof. Loh is a captivating speaker with multifaceted interests and creative pursuits. The title of the talk was **"Sparking Social Impact by Using Math to Align Incentives"**. He discussed applying mathematics to solve real-life problems. The talk was designed for the general community to demonstrate the importance of supporting even the purest of university research, and to show multiple examples of the impact that strong research universities can have in the real world. **Prof. Loh's** talk was mainly centered around his experience going from the ivory tower of academia into the practical mess of the real world, where he ultimately innovated fundamentally new approaches to pandemic control and advanced math education.

Students gained insight into the use of Math in societal problems as a result of this enriching experience. Prof. Loh was available for interaction with our pupils as well.

## **ART 4 GOOD COMPETITION**

#### "The key is not the will to win; everybody has that. It is the will to prepare to win that is important."

DPS Monarch International School takes pride to share the participation of their students in the **Education Above All Ramadan Goals4Good Football Tournament and Art Competition**. The Education Above All (EAA) Foundation is a global foundation committed to transforming lives through education that was founded in 2012 by **Her Highness Sheikha Moza Bint Nasser.** EAA's aim is to build a global movement that contributes to human, social and economic development through the provision of quality education, with a focus on the most marginalized and vulnerable children and youth.



DPS Monarch International School's star, **Rowel Mohammed of Grade VIII B**, was awarded for securing the first position in the **Art Competition** under 14 to 18 age categories.

The following students had qualified for the final round of evaluation. Art4Good Category 1 (9 – 13) years Finalist:



Blen Daniel DPS Monarch International School -5B Category 9-13



Harini Kaviarasu DPS Monarch International School -6D Category 9-13



Harshanth Gopinath DPS Monarch International School -5B Category 9-13



Isha Dhanoon DPS Monarch International School -6E Category 9-13

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#### Art4Good Category 2 (14 – 18) years Finalist:



Shradha Manoj DPS Monarch International School Category 14-18



Sweetha Padmanaban DPS Monarch International School Category 14-18



Tharun S M DPS Monarch International School Category 14-18



Congratulations Rowel and the Participants!!!

# M. Kanjani Memorial Award



### " Success usually comes to those who are too busy looking for it."

Success is the sum of small efforts, repeated day-in and day-out. As the proverb goes, with great pleasure, we inform you that **Saachi Dhadwal**, being the school **topper Grade X**, **academic year 2021-22** of DPS Monarch International School, had received the most prestigious "**M Kanjani Memorial Award**" introduced by the school Management. This award has been constituted since 1999, titled after the founder of the noble entity ICBF, **Late Shri. M.A. Kanjani.** He was the key person who brought up the idea of charity in association with the Embassy of India later termed ICBF.

To acknowledge her efforts and to motivate other students, this award was presented to Saachi on the occasion of the Primary Annual Production which was held on **Sunday**, **19th March**, **2023**. We are proud of her hard work, dedication, and achievements, and we believe she has set an example for her fellow students. **Congratulations Saachi!!!** 

## Award Ceremony From Science India Forum Qatar

#### "Learning is not attained by chance, it must be sought for with ardour and attended to with diligence."

Under the distinguished patronage of the Embassy of India, the **Science India Forum Qatar** organized the **Annual Science Gala and Award Function** on 17th March 2023 at Birla Public School Auditorium. **Dr. Archana Sharma**, a senior scientist at CERN lab in Geneva was the guest of Honours as well as the keynote speaker.

The event started with the Educational Module in which plethora of science activities were conducted. Scientist interaction session was also organised for students, teachers as well as parents which was followed by a powerful talk on "What's Your Point".

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The awards were distributed to various winners and participants by the **Chief Guest Shri Sachin Dinkar Shankpal**, First Secretary (Culture, Education & Information). It was an amazing exposure for the students of our School. From DPS Monarch International school, **Anushree Bane and Amey Kulkarni of Grade IX** also participated in the senior category and presented a project on '**Production of Lactobacillus Bacteria from Rice Water (Natural Organic Fertilizer)**' under the mentorship of **Ms. Farida Bala Tanko** and received a consolation prize.

The winners and runners-up of the Qatar Children's Science Congress (QCSC), Shastra Pratibha contest (SPC) and Guide teachers were also felicitated during the Award function.

## **Carnegie Mellon University Pi Day Competition**

**Carnegie Mellon University, Qatar** hosted the final round of **Pi Day Math Competition** for high school students on **18**<sup>th</sup> **March 2023.** The goal of this competition is to enhance awareness and interest in Mathematics in the high school communities in Qatar. The venue for the event was Carnegie Mellon University in Education City.



DPS Monarch International School found a spot among the four finalists after a breathtaking performance in the preliminary round. Our team members were students of **Garde XI Devika Anoop**, **Saachi Dhadwal, Vihaan Pradeep and Akshit Palamthody.** The participants had a lot of fun pondering upon profound math problems. The competition witnessed some nerve-wracking moments where participants had to display their critical decision-making skills. Our team showcased a phenomenal performance in the final round and made their way to the third position after a neck and neck battle with the other teams. We ended up with 8 points by securing the third position. Their mentor was Head of Math Department, Mr. Ajeth Nair. Congratulation students and the mentor!





# **Global Studies Institute Brain Camp**

"Competition is always a good thing. It forces us to do our best. A monopoly renders people complacent and satisfied with mediocrity."



On 21st and 22nd of March 2023, our ingenious students of **Grade XII** participated in **GSI Brain Camp** organised by Global Studies Institute at their campus. The event of competitions was set to take place on two different days for boys and girls.

The competitions for the boys were conducted on 21st March in which **Roshan Benjamin Sajit of XII C and Vihaan Pradeep of XII A** participated from DPS Monarch international school. **Saachi Dhadwal XII A and Athulya Subash XII B** were the participants for competitions for girls on 22nd March 2023. They were accompanied by the school counsellor, **Ms. Reema Raheja**.

The competition comprised of 3 different challenges aiming to test knowledge of cybersecurity, engineering, and general information. The instructions and the grading system for each game were different and unique and was well explained before the game began.

After the series of interesting games, the winners were announced. **Roshan Benjamin Sajit of Grade XII C and Vihaan Pradeep of Grade XII A** successfully earned the Trophy, medals certificates and cash prizes worth 500 QR each by bagging 1st position in the competition.

This event was truly a great opportunity for our students to enhance their learning experience and confidence level as well as to sharpen their critical thinking.

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#### Congratulations to the students!!!

## **Upcoming Events**

New Academic Session Began : KG1 to Grade XII: 02.04.2023

House Board Decoration : Grade IX to XII: 02.04.2023 to 06.04.2023

Period Test 1 Begins : Grade X and XII: 17.04.2023

Class Display Board Decoration : Grade III to Grade XII : 18.04.2023

Earth Day : Grade I to Grade XII : 19.04.2023

**<u>Eid Activity</u> : KG 1 and KG 2 :** 19.04.2023

Eid-ul-Fitr Holidays: 20.04.2023 to 29.04.2023

School Reopens: KG1 to Grade XII: 30.04.2023

UNSDG week : Grade I-VIII : 30.04.2023

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G20 Week : Grade IX to Grade XII : 30.04.2023

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