



## MONARCH BULLETIN

#### **EDUCATION WITH A DIFFERENCE**

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#### LANGUAGE FEST – A WEEKLONG CELEBRATION OF CULTURE AND TRADITIONS

DPS Monarch International School conducted a week-long Language Fest from 1st to 5th October 2023 for the students of Grade 1 to 8. The students of Hindi, Tamil, Telugu, Kannada, Malayalam, French, Arabic and Urdu actively took part in Language Week researching and involving themselves in the tradition, heritage, and culture. This celebration was an opportunity for the students to reflect on the role languages play in our lives and the importance of preserving linguistic diversity in the world and in our local communities.

Language departments' faculty under the able guidance of the respective Heads of the Departments conducted competitions for students with distinctive activities to motivate and understand the importance of preserving linguistic diversity globally. Unbelievably, all the students actively participated and showcased their interests and creativity. The various language departments conducted several competitions for students of all grades. The department of languages of our school conducted an exhibition for the whole school displaying the contributions of their students. This included various cuisines, colourful posters and models made by students to showcase their respective cultures.

The concluding cultural fest was a spectacular affair with special dignitaries in attendance, Mr. Subramaniya Hebbagelu, Ms. Aarathy Radhakrishnan, Mr. Venkappa Bhagavatula, Mr. Manibharathi and Ms. Monika Modi . The final event showcased a mesmerizing blend of dances, songs, and plays, each representing diverse cultures and languages, creating a harmonious celebration of diversity.







#### MODEL UNITED NATIONS (MUN): FOSTERING TOMORROWS' DIPLOMATS







"MUN is a microcosm of the real world, where young minds tackle global issues with diplomacy, research, and collaboration, providing hope for a brighter future."

DPS Monarch International School is highly thrilled to have conducted the first-ever Monarch Model United Nations Conference 2023 successfully on the 19th, 21st and 22nd October 2023 facilitated by the Social Science Department of Secondary Wing under the guidance of dynamic Headmistress, Ms. Madhu Uppal, along with the mentors, Ms. Radhika Pradeep, Mr. Aban Samuel, Ms. Priyanka Das and Mr. Zohaib Alam, Mr. Zafar Khan. The students from Grade IX to XII attended the conference.

The main objective behind holding the conference was to raise awareness among the students about the predominant social and economic issues at a global level, thus prompting their critical thinking and reasoning to come into force and find brilliant resolutions to them. The Special Committee on SDG 10; was very well organized and executed by the Secretary-General, **Antony Alapatt.** The committee was led by Best Head Chair **Elizabeth Alapatt** and Outstanding Deputy Chair **Laarya Mathew**. The Best Delegate award from this committee was bagged by **Hardik Sukhnandan.** 

The delegate of Russia, with the delegate of Japan, **Vihaan Pradeep Singhal** being awarded an Honorable Mention as a close second and Heer Parekh, the delegate of Nigeria whose overall quality of writing and reference to the resolution were impressive won Best Position Paper. The United Nations Human Rights Council was headed by outstanding Head chair Akshit Palamthody and Best Deputy Chair **Haniya Mirza**.

**Shaan Sideeque Shajahan** won the Best delegate, for his outstanding performance closely followed by **Tejini Rajesh** who received an Honorable mention and **Saili Behera** bagged Best Policy Statement.

The special committee on SDG 10 focused its efforts on promoting employment for the disabled and solutions to combat inequalities in the healthcare system. With Distinguished Head Chair **Srinjay Mukherjee** and Distinguished Deputy Chair **Vihaan Pradeep.** 

Mithulashree Vijayakumar won the Best Delegate award followed by Abhinand Jeejith who received special praise from the Chairs, observers and teacher in charges as the Honourable Mention and Mohammed Fauzan bagged Best policy statement.

The entire faculty of Social Science
Department as well as the Student Press
and IT Team consisting of Faizan Ahmed,
Amaan Anoop, Shivam Gohel, Nakulan
Dileep, Anagha Aji, Gowshikh Vetrivel
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The entire faculty of the Social Science Department as well as the Student Press and IT Team worked with great dedication and innovation to present the post-conference video as other avant-garde forms of media. The event was an absolute success and the students exhibited eloquence and confidence while representing their respective countries as delegates. The young intellectuals in making, proved their words and thoughts that have the power to transform the world for the better.













## John F Kennedy asserted that "the future promise of any nation can be directly measured by the present prospects of its youth.

As the halls of our school echoed with passionate voices of students, it is a privilege to be able to assure you that our world is in safe hands; the hands of delegates who are today Monarchians debating in classrooms, but tomorrow, will be international leaders addressing the entire world.

#### **GANDHI JAYANTI**

Educators @DPS Monarch International School always embraces history and allows the Young Monarchians to experience it through their class activities. Gandhi Jayanti was celebrated at DPS Monarch International School on 2nd October 2023 to commemorate the 154th birth anniversary of the father of our nation.

#### Grade 1& 2

A Mesmerizing Display of Patriotism: Primary Gandhi Jayanti Special Assembly. In honor of Gandhi Jayanti, our Grade 1, 2, and 3 students presented a heartwarming assembly that embodied Mahatma Gandhi's wisdom: "Be the change you want to see in the world." Our young leaders delivered inspiring speeches, paying tribute to Gandhiji's life and teachings, and also left us spellbound with a graceful dance to a patriotic song. This assembly was a beautiful tribute to Gandhiji's values and a source of inspiration for all. Our students' confidence and articulate delivery left an indelible mark, reminding us of the values of truth and harmony.





#### Grade 3

The students of Grade 3 made the three wise monkeys of Gandhiji, which symbolize the teachings of Gandhiji – "See No Evil, Hear No Evil and Speak No Evil". Our talented tiny tots from Grade 3 actively participated in the activity and it was an amazing exercise which was thoroughly enjoyed by the students. They learnt about the values of truth and non-violence on this special occasion. Our little enthusiasts of grade 3 conducted a special assembly dedicated to Gandhiji. During the assembly, the students shared their perspectives on Gandhiji's life and provided a concise overview of his teachings. The main highlight of the assembly was the video showcasing the life of Gandhiji. The students effectively demonstrated, through their speeches, the continued relevance of Gandhiji's teachings in our contemporary lives. The assembly concluded with the motivational speech delivered by our esteemed Principal.





## **KINDERGARTEN & PRIMARY**

#### **CELEBRATIONS AT DPS-MONARCH KINDERGARTEN WING**







A huge congratulations goes out to the Winners and Participants of Kindergarten 1 and 2 Monarchians who participated in Busy Bees in the Loyola Interschool Competition on 16th September 2023.

## **Congratulations!**

#### **LEARN WITH FUN WEEK**

In the month of September 17th to 22nd Kindergarten 1 had an amazing week where children were learning their favorite subjects and topics in the form of activities. Please find below the pictures for activities that were done such as Math number tower, hopscotch for numbers, sand activity for letters along with flashcards, EVS sense organ activity and in DP Brain game.













#### **PET DAY**



## "An animal's eyes have the power to speak a great language"

Pet Day was celebrated on the 12th of October. This day is dedicated to all pets to celebrate the relationship between a person and his or her pet. The relationship between a person and a pet cannot be described in words and is inexpressible but holds great value. To make learning fun and engaging Tiny Tots of Kindergarten 1 did a Feed the Cat activity where the teacher made a cat and had a few cutouts of fish and students came one by one and fed the cat. Overall it was an entertaining activity.

To make learning fun and engaging Tiny Tots of Kindergarten 2 did a Paper Plate Dog activity where the students were given cutouts of eyes and ears and they had to stick them on the paper plate and make a dog. There was a special assembly by the tots of Kindergarten 1 and 2 with speech, mission, vision, motto, poem and dance. Also, the food that was collected for pets by our students was given to a shelter.

The main objective of organizing Pet Day was to bring awareness and create a sense of responsibility in the minds of our tiny tots on how we need to love and care for other living beings.

#### **BAGLESS DAY - A DAY FILLED WITH FUN**

#### Harmonizing Learning and Creativity!

In alignment with the visionary CBSE and NEP programs, our Grade 1 and Grade 2 classrooms were abuzz with excitement on the 5th of October as students embarked on a day filled with fun and learning. During the Bagless Day event at DPS Monarch International School, the vibrant participation of Grade 1 and Grade 2 students was striking. They infused technology, art, and craftsmanship seamlessly into their subjects, thereby enriching the curriculum in a creative and engaging manner.





#### **CLUB ACTIVITY: FIRELESS COOKING**









Our Grade 1 & 2 Culinary
Club has been whipping
up some delicious magic
in the classroom with
fireless cooking. From
crafting mouthwatering
fruit salads to assembling hilarious veggie
sandwiches and savoring
nutritious chickpea
salads, our young chefs
have been on a culinary
adventure.

But it's not just about cooking; it's about learning too! They've discovered the nutritional value of these scrumptious creations and had a blast incorporating more veggies into their diet. Here's to the young chefs in the making! Keep cooking, keep learning, and keep having fun.





#### FIELD TRIP TO BALADNA PARK

#### **MONARCHIANS BALADNA PARK ADVENTURE**

Nature's classroom is the best teacher!" and our Grade 1 students wholeheartedly embraced this truth during their thrilling field trip to Baladna Park's 'Children's Adventure Land. They raced down slides, made furry friends in the farm area, and laughed under the open sky.

As John Muir wisely said, "In every walk with nature, one receives far more than he seeks."

Throughout their exploration of the natural world, these young Grade 1 students reveled in the thrill of outdoor adventure and a myriad of engaging activities, forging lasting memories of their first steps into the embrace of Mother Nature. This day of adventure, bonding, and joyful discoveries will be cherished forever.











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#### **PROFESSIONAL DAY**



#### PROFESSION: "AN ELEVATOR TO A COMFORT ZONE"

The height of a person's existence lies not in his or her ability to survive, but in discovering what to live for. Having a well-defined life is essential, the defined professional path that an individual decides to take upon is to earn a livelihood. Here at Monarch our little professionals were all dressed in their desired professional attire to let the world know what they aspire for in future. They learnt the importance of their goals as they walked through their speech which related their future aspirations, the students had an opportunity to express their views and thoughts about their future career, they were all well focused and driven with one track mind relating to their future take off. The children enjoyed every gist of that moment with photo sessions and with the superiors of the school, all are little Doctors, Engineers, Lawyers, teachers, policemen, nurses, singers, dancers and scientists of Grade 2 delved into their future to become a better human with basic ethics of life skills to throne their goals and supersede the present technologies.

PROFESSIO MPAJOHI PARA PARA

"My profession in Life is a message to the world."

## MIDDLE SCHOOL & SECONDARY

## Chandrayaan-3 Maha Quiz: A Celestial Quest of Knowledge

"To confine our attention to terrestrial matters would be to limit the human spirit."

The successful journey of Chandarayaan-3 encapsulates within itself grit, ambition, initiative, scientific temper, curiosity, problem solving and creativity – qualities that education across grades strives to instill and achieve. The Government of India celebrated this success through the platform MYGov by recently conducting a celestial journey of knowledge with the Chandrayaan-3 Maha Quiz.



DPS Monarch International School's teachers and students participated in the quiz. The quiz encouraged the teachers and students to delve into the mysteries of the cosmos, reminding them that the pursuit of knowledge knows no bounds. With questions ranging from lunar geography to the intricacies of spacecraft technology, the competition truly tested the students' understanding of space science. The quiz, inspired by India's lunar aspirations and the Chandrayaan missions, was an opportunity for students to demonstrate their passion for science and astronomy. Participants were taken on an exhilarating educational journey about the moon, its significance, and the incredible feats of the Indian space program. Participants were given a 'Certificate of Participation' after completing the quiz from MyGov.

#### Exploring Nature's Classroom : Educational Trip - Visit To Baladna Park

#### "The environment is where we all meet; where we all have a mutual interest; it is the one thing all of us share."

Hard work 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 X and XII** 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; the journey that unfolded the wonders of nature in all their glory.

The park, a lush oasis nestled in the heart of our city, became our outdoor classroom for a day, where learning took on a whole new dimension. As the students stepped foot into this enchanting haven, they were greeted by the vibrant greenery and the symphony of nature. The trip allowed them to reconnect with the beauty of the natural world, fostering an appreciation for the environment and its ecosystems.













Students and teachers alike reveled in interactive activities, guided tours, and insightful workshops, all aimed at fostering a deeper understanding of the environment, conservation, and sustainable living. The visit to Baladna Park wasn't just a day out; it was a transformative experience, igniting our passion for preserving the environment and the importance of reconnecting with nature. 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.

#### Educational Field Trip - 321 Qatar Olympic Sports Museum

## "The best education you will get is travelling. Nothing teaches you more than travelling and accumulating experiences."

DPS Monarch International School organized educational field trip for the students of Grade IX and XI on the 2nd and 3rd of October 2023 to **321 Qatar Olympic Sports Museum** which is an international center for sports history, heritage and knowledge. Students got an opportunity to gain practical insights into sports, learn about the history of the Olympics, and foster teamwork and physical activity. The exhibits showcased the history of the Olympic Games, including their ancient origins in Greece and their modern revival in the 19th century. Students learned about the values of Olympism, including friendship, respect, and excellence.



The museum's interior was a treasure trove of information. The exhibits covered a wide range of sports, from traditional Qatari sports like falconry and camel racing to modern favorites such as football, athletics, and tennis. The students learned about the evolution of sports in Qatar, which has transformed from a primarily traditional and local focus to international prominence, with events like the FIFA World Cup.

What made this trip truly engaging was the interactive nature of the museum. The students had the opportunity to participate in interactive activities such as sports simulations and virtual reality experiences, which allowed them to gain a hands-on understanding of various Olympic sports. The students had the opportunity to test our athletic skills in the interactive zones, where they attempted to mimic the techniques of famous athletes and learned about the science behind sports performance.

In conclusion, the educational trip to the Qatar Olympic Sports Museum was not only fun but also educational. It allowed the students to appreciate the role of sports in Qatar's history and its future endeavors. The students left the museum with a deeper understanding of the significance of sports in our culture and the global arena. As a part of the program to enhance National Identity and Qatari Culture the school was able to promote Qatar as an energized nation that cherishes sports as an essential cultural activity.

## Unleashing Skills and Nurturing Talents: CBSE Skill Build Program On Generative Al In Collaboration With IBM

#### "If our era is the next Industrial Revolution, as many claim, Al is surely one of its driving forces."

In an era where digital skills are the key to unlocking the future, **DPS Monarch International School** recently embarked on an exciting journey with the **IBM Skills** Build Platform. This virtual learning experience has proven to be a game-changer in equipping students with essential skills for the 21st century. The platform encourages a holistic approach to education, emphasizing both knowledge and practical application.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) has rapidly evolved from a futuristic concept to a ubiquitous technology that impacts our daily lives. Thus, creating a need for the youth to understand AI's importance and responsible usage. CBSE aims not merely to produce students with technical proficiency in AI, but to nurture them as problem solvers who can innovatively apply AI to address real-world issues and also to support schools to facilitate building an AI mindset in students to prepare them for future job opportunities. With this goal, CBSE in support with IBM offers a gamified learning path for students of Grade VI to XII to learn about the recent advances in generative AI through Digital Credentials on the IBM Skills Build Platform and hands-on challenges.



A number of exciting opportunities await the students. Students obtaining their Digital Credentials on Skills Build will be eligible to participate in the Future Tech Olympiad taking place in September-October 2023 to win medals and certificates and the Future Tech Imagination Challenge in November 2023 to win a virtual internship experience.

Hands-on challenges provided by IBM Skills Build have been nothing short of transformative. Students have been able to apply their newfound knowledge in real-world scenarios, strengthening their problem-solving skills and boosting their confidence. These challenges are a bridge between theory and practice, enabling students to take a leap from the classroom into the professional world.

# Stepping up to success! Congratulations on the new milestone!

#### **Mentoring Young Minds (MYM) Program**

#### "The best way to predict the future is to create it."

DPS Monarch International School under its Mentoring Young Minds (MYM) Program conducted a session for students of Grade X on Wednesday, 25th October 2023.

As students are on the brink of moving from Grade X to XI, it is crucial for them to know about the career options available so that they can groom themselves accordingly. The children on reaching Grade XI face a difficult situation of stream selection and feel unpromising later in life due to wrong choice. The school has organized the session with the purpose to facilitate the children studying in Grade X to help them make right decision in the very beginning an.

The session was held on Stream Selection and Career Prospects by our School Guidance and Career Counselor, Ms. Reema Raheja under the guidance of Secondary Headmistress, Ms. Madhu Uppal.







The program was spread over two segments, where in the first segment was all about apprising the students about the stream and subject combination availability in Grade XI, different career prospects, personality test at BridgeU platform, different criteria and procedure for stream selection. And the second segment was a question-and-answer session, where students clarified their doubts. Numerous important elements related to career choices and subject combination were discussed during the orientation examination. Ms. Reema emphasized that students and parents should consider "aptitude, interest and personality" as essential keys in making decisions for stream selection. Overall, the students had an engaging and informative session.

Kudos to the amazing mentoring team!

#### Science Indian Forum Qatar: Nurturing Tomorrow's Scientists

"Science is not just a subject; it's a way of thinking. It's the key to understanding the world and solving its challenges."

Students of DPS Monarch International School participated in SIFQ's Qatar Children's Science Congress (QCSC) 2023-24. The main theme was Understanding Ecosystem for Health and Well-Being. Six teams of twelve students from the school presented their project in Round I held at ICC, Ashok Hall on Saturday, 7th October 2023.

Science India Forum Qatar, a dynamic organization, is committed to nurturing the scientific spirit among young minds at schools. Their recent initiatives have brought science to life, fostering curiosity and a love for the subject. SIFQ has been instrumental in organizing various science-based events, workshops, and competitions. These activities have ignited our students' curiosity, encouraging them to explore the wonders of the scientific world.



Through their programs, students have had the opportunity to engage in hands-on experiments, show-casing the fun side of science. These initiatives not only supplement classroom learning but also inspire students to pursue careers in STEM fields. SIFQ has recognized and rewarded outstanding achievements in science, motivating students to excel and pursue scientific excellence. Their initiatives have set a high standard for academic and scientific achievement.

Science India Foundation Qatar is a beacon of inspiration, leading our students towards a brighter future through the wonders of science. It is a reminder of the immense potential that can be unlocked when education is paired with passion.

Participants details are as follows:

SR. NO.	NAME OF THE STUDENT	TEAM LEADER	TEAM MEMBER	GRADE	TOPIC	TEACHER IN CHARGE
1	Mrinal Dabi and Rudra Pratap	Mrinal Dabi	Rudra Pratap		You're your Ecosystem	Mr. Abdur Rehman Yusuf Jamal
2	Eyafiah Fatima and Evelyn Daniel	Eyafiah Fatima	Evelyn Daniel	VIII	Fundamentals of Sustainable Ecosystem	
3	Ananya K Jinesh and Anaswara Anil	Ananya K Jinesh	Anaswara Anil	IX	Step Towards Self Sustainability	Ms. Jyoti Mohanty
4	Arathi Subhash and Adhwaya Oshen	Arathi Subhash	Adhwaya Oshen		Sustainable Living which Appeals to the Urban Sensibility	
5	Tejashree Bisht and Angelina Kurella	Tejashree Bisht	Angelina Kurella	ΧI	Ayurveda: Nature's Boon to Mankind	Ms. Mehnaz Daroge
6	Adhishree Lalit and Azmi Fatima	Adhishree Lalit	Azmi Fatima		Effective Study of Rhizobacteria to attenuate Salinity Stress on Crops in Qatar	

#### **TEDx Talks 2023**

#### "Vision begins with the eyes, but it truly takes place in the brain."

DPS Monarch International School is glad to inform that Rohan Benjamin Sajin from Grade XII got the golden opportunity to be a part of a magnificent TEDx event hosted by Birla Public School on Friday, 27th October 2023. An enlightening event, bustling with energy, inviting four distinguished speakers Mr. Parag Mahajan, Ms. Nora Rose Jacob, Mr. Benjamin Kurian, and Mr. Shabari Nair to share their insights on diverse agendas.

The event aimed to foster an environment of open dialogue and critical thinking, encouraging attendees to explore new ideas and perspectives. From Al's role in Medical Science to highlighting the importance of the Power of Diplomacy that has changed over the years, each speaker brought a unique

perspective, leaving the audience inspired and thoughtful.





#### Class Assemblies

#### **Celebrating Unity**

Grade 1 and Grade 2 French Assembly was a heartwarming celebration of happiness and unity. Our energetic students took center stage, impressing us with their outstanding French performances in dance, music, and poetry. It was a day filled with enthusiasm, leaving smiles on every face. The unity and joy in the assembly hall were inspiring, reminding us all to spread joy and love daily. This beautiful assembly showcased the exceptional talents of our students and the strong sense of community within our school.

#### **Hindi Language Day**

Remarkable talents were showcased by Grade 1 and Grade 2 students during the Hindi Language Day Assembly. This assembly was a delightful blend of music, culture, and linguistic flair, providing a glimpse into the rich beauty of the Hindi language.

A strong connection to Hindi Language Day was demonstrated by the young learners, with a genuine passion for our vibrant culture and language being displayed. A joy-filled celebration that highlighted dedication and affection for our heritage was experienced. Heartfelt appreciation is extended to our amazing Grade 1 and Grade 2 stars for ensuring that this assembly was made both memorable and meaningful. Their efforts and talents were truly shining during the event

#### COURAGE- The ability to do something that frightens one

Grade III A students of DPS Monarch International School actively conducted their class assembly on 23rd October 2023. It was a remarkable event that focused on the theme of "Courage". The assembly aimed to instill in students the important role of courage in life to achieve their goals. Courage helps us to accept challenges and complete them without thinking about losing the challenge in our daily lives. The assembly culminated with the motivational speech from the Headmaster Mr. Sujith Kumar, who emphasized the significance of being courageous and how it will help students in their personal and academic growth.

#### Sports, Fitness and Asian Games 2023

To highlight the importance of sports and fitness students of Grade 5E intentionally took the topic "Sports, Fitness and Asian Games 2023". The Assembly started by stating the vision, mission, objective, and values at school which emphasizes the holistic development of the students. There were speeches delivered by the students on fitness, food habits, etc.

The highlight was the "Asian Games 2023" where India created history by bagging more than 100 medals the mission that was put forth by PM Narendra Modi with their hard work, patience and sacrifice which made the whole nation proud. The assembly was graced by Headmaster Sujith Kumar and Physical Education HOD Shashank Singh who addressed the assembly and spoke about the importance of sports in students' life. He also emphasized the role of sports and fitness in the mental and physical development of a student. He encouraged the students to participate in sports as much as possible.

#### DISCIPLINE: THE POWER OF SELF- CONTROL

Grade III L students of DPS Monarch International School actively conducted their class assembly on 16th October 2023. It was a remarkable event that focused on the theme of "Discipline – The power of self-control. The assembly aimed to instill in students the importance of discipline and self-control in their daily lives. The assembly culminated with the motivational speech from the Academic Coordinator Ms. Khushboo, who emphasized the significance of discipline as a fundamental aspect of personal and academic growth.







#### **World Students' Day**

On the occasion of 'World Students' Day, the students of Grade 7A presented their Class Assembly - "Igniting Young Minds - Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam" on 15th October at DPS Monarch Multi - purpose hall.

The assembly began with an opening address by the anchors, Shresta and Aaditya. Focal point of the assembly was the pledge on Swach Bharat Abhiyan by Inika and Sharan. The students of 7A showcased their skills by participating in song, the word of the day, thought of the day, Mission, Vision, Motto Speech, a Poem and a Skit. The skit portrayed the achievements of Abdul Kalam and his contributions to developing the minds of the youth. It also depicted his tenure as the 11th president of India and his role in motivating young minds.

The assembly concluded with closing remarks by our Head-master, Sujith Sir, reiterating the importance of nurturing young minds and encouraging them to pursue their dreams with dedication and perseverance. He explained us about the importance of cleanliness and thereafter 'The Swachh Bharat Abhiyan Pledge' was taken by all. The assembly on "Igniting Young Minds - Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam" was a resounding success.

# You have to Dream before the Dream comes True!









## **WORKSHOPS**

#### **DIVERSITY & INCLUSION IN THE SCHOOL**

The session on embracing diversity and promoting inclusivity in the school recently took place at DPS Monarch International School led by the School Counselor, Ms. Reema, and the Special Educator, Ms. Thamarai, It was conducted for students in Grades VI to VIII.

The significance of mindful language use was highlighted to encourage students to choose their words thoughtfully. Students also learnt to appreciate individual differences and inculcate empathy in their life. Engaging in different activities, they shared their experience using both negative and positive words.

The session incorporated a range of activities and included elements of music therapy. It emphasized that positive change starts within individuals and ripples out to influence society.



#### EMBRACING WELL-BEING: MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS WEEK

"Do something that makes someone happy. Create something that inspires someone. Be someone's light when they are hopeless."

Mental Health Awareness Week at DPS Monarch International School was a profound reminder of the importance of nurturing not only our academic abilities but also our emotional well-being. The week-long event focused on the holistic development of students, shedding light on the significance of mental health.

Through poster making activity students were encouraged to reflect on the importance of mental health, share their experiences, and learn strategies for managing stress and anxiety. Students of Grade IX to XII used their creativity and made colorful posters with themes like Growth Mindset, Mindfulness, Being Thankful, Emotional Wellbeing, etc. Students used positive words, calligraphy and quotes to express their emotions and feelings about mental health. Students and teachers came together to create a supportive and empathetic environment, emphasizing that it's okay not to be okay sometimes and that seeking help is a sign of strength, not weakness. By sharing stories and coping mechanisms, our students worked together to foster a culture of care and support. This week served as a beacon, breaking the silence that often surrounds mental health issues.

## BREAKING BARRIERS: WORLD RECORD MENTAL HEALTH WEBINAR MARATHON

#### "You don't have to control your thoughts. You just have to stop letting them

In an extraordinary display of commitment to mental health awareness, DPS Monarch International School's Special Needs Educator, Ms. Thamarai Selvi and School Counselor, Ms. Reema Raheja played a pivotal role in the World Record Mental Health Webinar Marathon scheduled on October 6th and 7th making this event a resounding success They have received a participation certificate from Kalams Book of World Records.

The marathon, which lasted for an inspiring 2 days, brought together experts, activists, and individuals from around the globe to discuss and raise awareness about various aspects of mental health. It was a remarkable feat, both in terms of the sheer duration of the event and its impact on breaking the stigma surrounding mental health issues.



Ms. Thamarai and Ms. Reema's dedication and passion were evident as their efforts, along with those of countless others, sent a powerful message that mental health matters and should be openly discussed and supported.

We extend our heartfelt appreciation to Ms. Thamarai and Ms. Reema for their invaluable contributions to this event. Their involvement demonstrates our school's commitment to fostering awareness, empathy, and support for mental health. We hope that this remarkable achievement inspires us all to continue breaking down

barriers surrounding mental health issues.

## QATAR DEBATE: IGNITING MINDS THROUGH WORKSHOPS AND TRAININGS

"Those who cannot understand how to put their thoughts on ice should not enter into the heat of debate."

Qatar Debate has been instrumental in nurturing the art of persuasion, critical thinking, and eloquence among students at our school. Through a series of workshops and training sessions, this initiative has provided a platform for students and teachers to hone their debating skills and develop a deeper understanding of the power of effective communication. The workshops and training sessions organized by Qatar Debate were an embodiment of excellence. The workshops and training sessions organized by Qatar Debate were an embodiment of excellence.

Teachers and students had the opportunity to learn from seasoned debaters, coaches, and experts who shared their insights on various aspects of the art of debate. These sessions not only imparted valuable knowledge but also instilled the confidence to express one's opinions with clarity and conviction.

#### ONLINE WORKSHOPS

Qatar Debate offered debate skills Online Workshops to help budding debaters prepare for the upcoming Preparatory and Secondary Schools Debate Leagues. The workshops commenced from 1st to 5th October 2023 for Preparatory Schools and 22nd to 29th October 2023 for Secondary Schools via Zoom from 4:00 – 5:30 pm.

Critical Thinking workshop was held on 1st and 22nd, Debate Format on 2nd and 23rd Motion Analysis on 3rd and 25th Case Building on 4th and 26th and Argumentation & Refutation on 5th and 29th October 2023.

These online workshops were attended by the prospective students of Grade VII to XI. The workshops were monitored by Faculty of English: Ms. Rajeshwari Lakshminarasimhan, Ms. Anamika Sehgal, Ms. Himaya Dennis, Ms. Payal Jain and Ms. Nausheen Ali and Academic Coordinator Grade IX and X and Qatar Debate School Coach, Ms. Neethu Balan. The purpose of attending these workshops was to enhance students with Critical Thinking, develop Motion Analysis skills, preparing base for Case Building, how to present Argumentation & Refutation and to know the Qatar Debate Format.



#### **Screening: Nurturing Future Debaters**

Qatar Debate Screening organized at DPS Monarch International School was conducted to shortlist the excellent and talented speakers. **Grade VII to IX and XI screening was done on 25th September and Grade X and XII screening was done on 16th October 2023 which was done by the Head of the English Department, Ms. Sudha Bhuvaneswaran, Faculty of English:**Ms. Rajeshwari Lakshminarasimhan, Ms. Anamika Sehgal, Ms. Himaya Dennis, Ms. Payal Jain and Ms. Nausheen Ali and Activity Coordinator Grade IX to XII, Ms. Radhika Pradeep Kumar.

The Tournaments for Preparatory and Secondary Schools will be conducted in the month of November on Saturdays. Selected students will be notified through mail with further details by the Qatar Debate School Coordinator, **Ms. Nausheen Ali.** 

#### **Teachers' Training**

Debate judges play a critical role in our debate competitions. Without judges, Qatar Debate cannot run their tournaments. The quality of a judge's decision also makes a big difference in the experience of debaters, and a judge's post-debate feedback impacts debaters' learning. Qatar Debate has designed a rigorous training program to help the teachers to acquire skills of debating and to promote debate clubs in school.

Running and Coaching a Debate Club Training by Qatar Debate was held on 7th, 9th and 11th October 2023 for budding trainee judges from the schools in Qatar. The three-day training focused on Setting up a Debate Club, Debate Format, Public Speaking, Critical Thinking & Argumentation and Case Preparation. The Faculty of English: Ms. Rajeshwari Lakshminarasimhan, Ms. Anamika Sehgal and Ms. Himaya Dennis attended the trainings to understand the debating format offered by Qatar Debate.

The Beginner Judges Training program was held on 14th October 2023 at Multaqa, Education City, Qatar. This training was attended by The Faculty of English: Ms. Rajeshwari Lakshminarasimhan, Ms. Anamika Sehgal and Ms. Himaya Dennis who had a great experience as it improved everyone's critical and analytical thinking skills. The training program aimed to empower our teachers with the tools, techniques, and knowledge needed to guide students in the art of debate. It underlined the pivotal role of educators in nurturing critical thinking and effective communication.



#### PTM

#### Strengthening Bonds & Nurturing Growth: Parent-Teacher Meeting

"Education is a partnership between home and school. When parents and teachers work together, students thrive."

The recent sessions of Parent-Teacher Meetings held at DPS Monarch International School for the parents and students of KG I to Grade XII served as a valuable opportunity for parents and teachers to collaborate, discuss students' progress, and strengthen the bridge between home and school. It was an event that fostered a sense of community and mutual support.

The Parent-Teacher Meeting was a platform for open, honest, and constructive dialogue. Parents had the chance to understand their child's academic journey, while teachers shared insights into the students' strengths and areas of improvement. It was a time for both parties to work together towards a common goal: the success and well-being of our students.

The one-on-one interactions allowed parents to gain a more comprehensive view of their child's educational experience. Teachers provided valuable guidance on how to support their child's learning journey and address any challenges they may face. The Parent-Teacher Meeting not only focused on academics but also emphasized the holistic development of our students. It was a reminder that our school community extends beyond the classroom, and we all play a crucial role in nurturing the next generation.

In conclusion, the Parent-Teacher Meeting was a resounding success, reinforcing the importance of collaboration and communication in education. It was a moment to reflect on the collective commitment to our students' growth and well-being, and we look forward to future interactions to further strengthen this partnership.











#### **PTA MEMBERS 2023-2024**



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Ms. Nisha. V **GRADE 4** 



Mr. Bhushan Joshi **GRADE 9** 



Ms. Sobia Almas KG<sub>2</sub>



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GRADE 1

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Ms. Sapna Gaurav

Ms. Anisha. N

**GRADE 6** 

**GRADE 7** 



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Mr. Pradeep Kumar **GRADE 12** 

#### **OUR STUDENT ACHEIVERS**

#### **Qatar Talks: Inspiring Discourse for Tomorrow's Leaders**



"In the art of oratory, words become the brushstrokes of thought, painting a vivid picture in the minds and hearts of the listeners."

Qatar Talks Competition 2023 is the hunt for champion speakers. The Competition was held at Savitribai Phule Pune University, Qatar Campus, MIE-SPPU Institute of Higher Education, Barwa Commercial Avenue, Doha was an inspiring showcase of our students' oratory skills and their ability to articulate thought-provoking ideas.

Pre-qualifiers for the Inspirational contest was held on 14th October 2023 and Humorous contest was held on 21st October 2023.Students from Grade IX to XII of DPS Monarch International School, Avika Gaur, Shreya Shijulal, Abhiraj Panakkal and Vihaan Pradeep participated in the Qatar Talks under Youth Contest. The contests were categorized as Humorous and Inspirational. Abhiraj Panakkal and Vihaan Pradeep participated in humorous contest while Avika Gaur and Shreya Shijulal participated in the inspirational contest.

#### **ICC DANCE**

#### **GROOVE IT UP: ICC INTER-SCHOOL DANCE COMPETITION**

"To dance is to be out of yourself, larger, more beautiful, more powerful."

The rhythm of excitement and talent reverberated through our school as students of DPS Monarch International School participated in the electrifying Inter-School Dance Competition held at ICC on 13th October 2023. The event not only showcased the extraordinary dancing skills of our students but also brought together young talents from neighboring schools. This celebration of creativity, unity and self-expression was truly a sight to behold.

We are glad to share that in the Solo Category Bharatnatyam - Anagha Aji of Grade X secured the position of the 2nd runner up. The School Team also won the 3rd prize in the Folk Dance Group. The students were trained and mentored by the dazzling, energetic and passionate choreographer, Ms. Vishnupriya - the dance teacher.

The event wasn't just about winning; it was a platform for students to embrace the art of dance, express themselves, and make new friends. It was inspiring to witness the camaraderie and sportsmanship displayed by all participants. The audience was treated to a mesmerizing display of talent, proving that dancing knows no boundaries, and it transcends language, culture, and age.





#### ICC ESSAY AND ELOCUTION COMPETITION

"Words are the building blocks of our dreams, the canvas for our imagination, and the bridge between hearts and minds."

Indian Culture Center (ICC) organized an Essay and Elocution Competition on 2nd October 2023 for the Indian students across the city on the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti where the students of DPS Monarch International School showcased their eloquence and literary prowess. The competition witnessed enthusiastic participation from students of Grade IX. From eloquent speeches to thought-provoking essays, the event was a testament to the power of words. The competition not only provided a platform for showcasing talent but also served as a nurturing ground for budding orators and writers. It encouraged our students to express their views, challenge their creativity, and hone their communication skills, fostering a love for language and literature.

Participants of the Essay Competition were: Bhavya Sharma, Anjali Girish Rao and Divanshi Bhambri and the participants of the Elocution Competition were: Vidhi Saddar, Prachi Pandey, Anushka Bhatt and Bade Jishna Hasini. In conclusion, the ICC Essay and Elocution Competition was a testament to our students' talent, passion and their ability to make their voices heard.

#### **ESSAY COMPETITION**

"Whatever the mind of man can conceive and believe, it can achieve."

DPS Monarch International School is glad to inform that Srinjay Mukherjee of Grade XII C was short-listed for the John Locke Competition. His essay under the Economics category on "Whether We Should Ban Billionaires or Not?" was selected and shortlisted from over 19,000 entries for their annual essay competition. Srinjay was awarded a Commendation by the John Locke Institute and was invited to Oxford University's esteemed Sheldonian Theatre on 16th September 2023 for the felicitation. It was conducted by the John Locke Institute based in Oxford, the United Kingdom. The Competition was conducted in the month of March to June and the results were declared in August 2023.

## "The written word remains. The spoken word vanishes."

Srinjay Mukherjee was also awarded with the Silver Award by Royal Commonwealth Society, London for participating in 'The Queen's Commonwealth Essay Competition', that was conducted in the month of October 2023. The Queen's Commonwealth Essay Competition, an esteemed international literary event, marked the 50th Anniversary of the Commonwealth Youth Programme and has once again ignited the passion for writing and storytelling among students at our school. This competition, with its rich history and noble legacy, encourages young writers to express their thoughts and creativity on a global platform. Srinjay, showcasing his writing prowess and unique perspectives covered a diverse range of topics, from personal experiences to global issues, and demonstrated the power of words to connect, inspire, and provoke thought in his writings. Srinjay scripted a dialogue between two people, with contrasting view-

# CONGRATULATIONS SRINJAY !!





#### HINDI POETRY WRITING COMPETITION

Aarya Hemant Sapru of Grade 8 D has bagged 1st Place in Original Hindi poetry writing competition in the Junior Category from the Gulf region held during the Antarrashtriya Rajbhasha Utsav 2023 Organised by Bharti Bhasha Samvardhan Sansthan under the patronage of Embassy of India, Doha, Qatar.

# CONGRATULATIONS ARYA!!





#### **SINGING COMPETITION**

Keerthana Rao G from Grade 5 D won first place in the singing competition in the age category of 10 to 12 held during KSQ Ladies & Children Talent Search 2023 on 6th October 2023 at Ashoka Hall organised by Karnataka Sangha Qatar.

#### **Congratulations!**



#### **DANCE COMPETITION**

Paavani from Grade 3 H won first place in the Dance competition in the age category of 6 to 9 held during KSQ Ladies & Children Talent Search 2023 on 6th October 2023 at Ashoka Hall, organised by Karnataka Sangha Qatar.

#### **Congratulations!**



#### **SWIMMING COMPETITION**

Aeindri Ghosh of Grade 8 secured 2nd position in 50m free style and 3rd position in 100m freestyle swimming competition held as a part of the QIA Aquatic Championship 2023 held at Al Arabi Sports Club.

## CONGRATULATIONS AEINDRI!!



#### **QATAR CBSE CLUSTER BASKETBALL GIRLS CHAMPIONSHIP**

A Lead-Pipe Cinch: Qatar CBSE Cluster Basketball Girls Championship
"In sports, it's not always about winning; it's about pushing your limits, learning from your
defeats, and growing as a team."

In the CBSE Basketball Cluster Championship of 2023, DPS Monarch International School Basketball Girls' Team from Grade IX to XII performed exceptionally well. They started their journey by playing the quarterfinals against Pearl Podar School and Olive International School. In the first match, the team secured a convincing victory with a score of 26–3. In the second match, they faced a tougher challenge but managed to come out on top with a score of 8–6. Their impressive performance in the quarterfinals earned them a spot in the semifinals, where they faced Loyola International School. The girls displayed great skill and determination, winning the semifinal match with a score of 12–2. This victory propelled them to the final of the championship. The team showcased exceptional dedication, teamwork, and sportsmanship throughout the championship. The team underwent rigorous training and preparation to represent our school with honor. They displayed determination and resilience, pushing through tough competition against various schools. In the final match of the tournament against Alkhor School, our team exhibited their best efforts and exceptional performance throughout the tournament which earned them the runner-up trophy.

DPS Monarch International School girls' basketball team are proud of their achievement in the championship. Their strong teamwork, skillful play and dedication were evident in each match they played. Although they fell short in the final, their overall performance was commendable and they proved themselves to be one of the top teams in the tournament.

In conclusion, our participation in the CBSE Cluster Basketball Championship was a memorable experience. It was an opportunity to not only showcase our athletic prowess but also to imbibe the values of sportsmanship and unity among the students.

# CONGRATULATIONS TEAM



#### **QATAR CBSE CLUSTER ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIP**

Celebrating Athletic Excellence

"An athlete cannot run with money in his pockets. He must run with hope in his heart and dreams in his mind."

DPS Monarch International School is thrilled to share the incredible achievements of our talented athletes at the CBSE Cluster Athletics 2023 event organized by MES Indian School from 17th to 19th October 2023. Students of Grade IX and XI performed exceptionally well in the tournament.

Rubaina Raja- She set the track on fire with not one, but two gold medals in the long jump and triple jump events!

Harshvardhan Mallela - His sheer power and precision earned him a well-deserved silver medal in the shot put!

Nihal Naushad- A blazing performance in the 400m race landed him a silver medal!

Anaswara Anil- Her endurance and determination paid off with two bronze medals - one in the 1500m race and another in the 400m race!

Ameen Ahmed- Speedster Ameen sprinted his way to glory with a bronze medal in the 100m sprint race!

These extraordinary accomplishments are a testament to their dedication, hard work, and undeniable talent. They've made our school immensely proud with their outstanding performances. But the journey doesn't end here! Our 1st and 2nd place winners will be representing our region at the national level in India. It's a true reflection of their unwavering determination and immense talent. Join us in congratulating our remarkable athletes on their remarkable achievements! Let's cheer them on as they continue to shine on the national stage.

#### **Heartiest Congratulations to the Winners!!!**













#### **WORLD SCHOLAR'S CUP CHAMPIONSHIP 2023**

#### Day 1 (3rd November 2023)

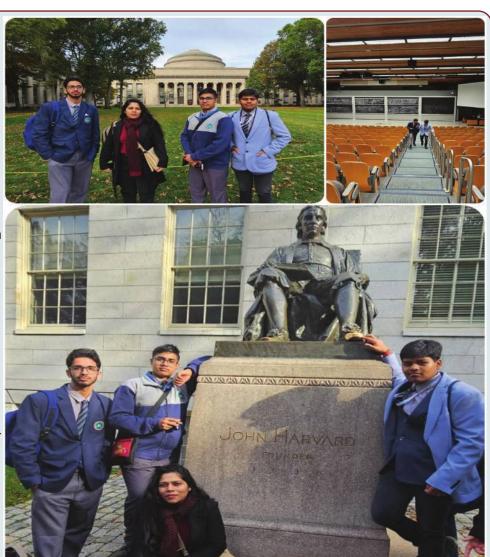
The opening ceremony of the tournament of champions was held in Shubert theatre with the introduction of the happening of the tournament of World Scholar's Cup Championship 2023. The scholars of DPS-Monarch International School, students of Grade X A, Hardik Sukhnandan, Devashish Nilesh Rapte and Vamsheedhran Sankarakrishnan along with the Head of English Department, Ms. Sudha Bhuvaneswaran were invited to the Omni official hotel for the briefing of scholar's challenge and for the standard judges on the guidelines of team debate. The day ended with the completion of the challenges assigned to each delegation where DPS Monarch delegation successfully completed all the challenges with flying colours.

"Success is no accident. It is hard work, perseverance, learning, studying, sacrifice and most of all, love of what you are doing or learning to do."



#### Day 2 (4th November 2023)

The day was filled with the historic feel of visiting historic buildings that were crucial during American revolution in Boston, the largest city in Massachusetts, the cultural and financial centre of New England. Then the University of Harvard adds fuel to the exploration on educational agenda, where the history of Harvard University was felt in the different venues of the University. Then the shot to the Massachusetts college of Information Technology which is one of the top private universities in the United States, ranked number 1 in the QS world university rankings. Our Scholars were enriched with a wide variety of programmes in engineering and physical sciences. The vision of DPS Monarch International School is in synchronization with the vision of MIT in making this world a better place to live in, is what the great learning that our Scholars had and felt the greater responsibility shouldered as global citizens.



#### Day 3 (5th November 2023)

DPS Monarch Delegation was given the second wave for Collaborative writing and team quiz in the forenoon. Team debate was conducted in 3 rounds in the afternoon at Yale's external campus of Watson Centre. DPS Monarch delegation won in all the 3 rounds, adding glory to the school and proved their mettle in debating with eloquence, enunciation and rigour.









#### Day 4 (6th November 2023)

The warmth of the colourful Alpacas decorated the Woolsey Hall of ornate classical style where the essence of the historic is felt in every dimension of the hall which is also one of the bicentennial buildings of Yale University.

The event was hosted with the ever cool narrative style of the team WSC, which ultimately prepared the scholars for the scholar's bowl which is a team quiz, where the same was conducted with flickers and display of questions. Array of Alpacas beautified the hall where scholars carrying the sane on their head

making promises to safeguard the symbol with integrity.

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#### Day 5 (7th November 2023)

The day was an off, where the delegation on an exploration to the nearby landmark of Post Mall of Connecticut was an amazing sight viewing and shopping which left the scholars to another level of learning the culture and tradition of the Inlanders of Connecticut as Christmas is fast approaching that leaves a joy of celebration in every place of the mall. Rendition of different rainbows of culture under one roof. Our theme and content were much appreciated. Visitors And visitors took photos with us as a token of appreciation and recognition. Our Scholar's performance was amazing and immensely appreciable as they integrated our school's vision into the endeavors of Indi-Gamerian concept. In a gamut. It's a scintillating experience for all of us.

#### Day 6 (8th November 2023)

The closing ceremony at Bushnell performing arts center at Hartford, is a perfect place for the culmination of the programme accolading the performance of scholars on the various challenges that had been conducted. The auditorium thundered the voices of success, spirit of winning that echoed the amount of sacrifice and effort that had been invested.

DPS Monarch International School bagged 1 gold in individual best debater and 10 Silver in collaborative writing, scholar's challenge, team quiz and in scholar's bowl.

In the closing ceremony at the Bushnell performing art center Hartford, where the Georgian architecture is appreciated. A plethora of cultural possibilities and exchange of thoughts has really been very

FATULATIONS Meaningful.



## UPCOMING EVENTS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2023

- Kerala Piravi / Karnataka Rajyotsav Grade I to VIII : 01.11.2023
- ⇒ PT 2 Grade I and II: 06.11.2023
- PT 2 Grade III and IV: 06.11.2023
- PT 2 Grade V and VIII: 06.11.2023
- Children's Day Celebration KG to XII: 14.11.2023
- Puppet Show K.G. 1 and 2:14.11.2023
- PT 3 Grade IX and XI: 16.11.2023
- Thanksgiving Day Grade I to XII: 23.11.2023
- Pre-Board 1 Grade X & XII: 23.11.2023
- Annual Day Grade V to IX and XI: 30.11.2023

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