

DELHI PUBLIC SCHOOL BANGALORE WEST

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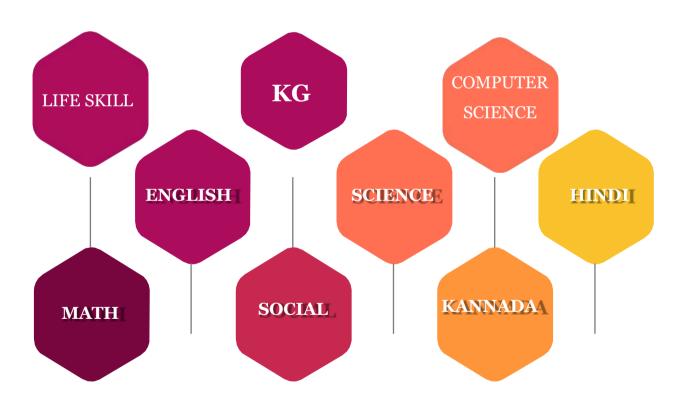
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As the dawn of a new academic year unfolded, the school became a vibrant canvas of possibilities. Eager minds, filled with curiosity, embarked on a journey of knowledge and discovery. The campus buzzed with excitement as students delved into a myriad activities designed to ignite their passions. From welcoming ceremonies that built unity to orientation programs that set the tone for academic excellence, the school was a tapestry of learning experiences. Sports competitions, creative workshops, and collaborative projects created an atmosphere where every student could flourish.

ACADEMIC GALA



<u>KINDERGARTEN</u>

The kindergarten segment provides the foundational stage characterized by experiential learning, hands -on- activities, play-way and story-based teaching methods. It is a magical stage of life where dreams begin to grow. Holistic development, pertaining to a 360-degree educational framework catering to different types of learners primarily auditory, visual and

kinesthetic, is provided. Various activities like colour days to reinforce the significance of colours, 'santhe' to give them a feel and experience of a market and special assemblies on various themes are organized to facilitate the learning process and to develop a deep understanding of the concepts taught in the class.

Besides all these, various festivals like Raksha Bandhan, Janamasthmi, Ganesh Chaturthi etc. are celebrated with pomp and show. Students come in their traditional attires and celebrate the day with fun and frolic.

The learning at the KG level is a delightful blend of education and enjoyment. From exploring foundational concepts to mastering advanced skills, it is all about embracing the sheer joy of the educational adventure.













Enjoyable learning experiences were extended to students from grades 1-8 through subject week celebrations, gaining deeper insights into subject related concepts fostering deeper understanding through diverse activities. This culminated in CCA periods, where the week unfolded multiple facets of learning, elevating students' knowledge in an engaging and enjoyable manner. The beginning of this academic year was not just a chapter but a kaleidoscope of opportunities, where each activity was a stroke of brilliance, painting the canvas of the academic year with memories that would last a lifetime.

Languages shape our perceptions, structure our thoughts, and facilitate communication with those around us. They evolve from our heritage, people, and interactions with the world, adapting to the present while preserving our history.

Keeping the same in mind, English Hindi and Kannada weeks were celebrated. Each aimed at promoting and appreciating the richness and diversity of languages.

❖ ENGLISH WEEK -FIESTA DE LITERATI

"The way we think is shaped by language, determining the scope of our thoughts."

'Fiesta De Literati' or 'The Festival of Literature,' celebrated literature and ignited students' creativity. Through activities like crafting captivating soft boards, designing book covers, and composing poems, students showcased their creative prowess. Speeches, dance-dramas, and talk-shows were prepared, featuring impressive teamwork and collaboration. The incorporation of props and costumes added glamour to performances. The week was filled with action, and students relished every activity, gaining confidence and valuable knowledge in the process.

♦ HINDI WEEK

Hindi Week was celebrated aiming to deepen students' appreciation for the richness and significance of the Hindi Language. Through various activities, students expressed their creativity, enhancing their practical understanding of Hindi. Their boundless enthusiasm and creativity made the event truly memorable.



***** KANNADA WEEK

The school buzzed with energy during the Kannada Literary Week, a dedicated celebration to promote Kannada literature. This week-long event aimed to cultivate a love for the language, nurture creativity, and offer a platform for students to showcase their literary talents. The festivities included diverse and engaging activities tailored to cater to students' varied interests and talents, ensuring enthusiastic participation.



SCIENCE WEEK

"Every experiment is a learning experience, even in the face of unexpected outcomes." The school dedicated the week of December 14th to 19th to Science Week, incorporating the preliminary round for the annual Science exhibition, "SCIGENIX." Teachers grappled with the

task of selecting the most outstanding models while students enthusiastically presented their experiments. This event not only provided a platform for displaying innovative projects but also kindled curiosity about scientific concepts and nurtured a passion for exploration.

❖ SOCIAL STUDIES WEEK

"Social Science is like a window which provides invaluable insight into the behaviour of individual and societies."

The Social Science Week named as 'Socio Illuminati' meaning Socially enlightened was coined aptly enlightening the students about their social and moral responsibility towards the nation. The students had planned well for the week. Grade-wise activities like worldwide Geography, Panchayati Raj system, Model Parliament etc were conducted to give firsthand experience of the various proceedings.



COMPUTER SCIENCE WEEK

In today's technology-driven and technology-dependent world, it is crucial to educate children not only on using computers for play or entertainment but also on harnessing them as effective tools. Recognizing this necessity, Computer Science Week was observed.

During this week, students seized the opportunity to spark their curiosity and delved deeper into the realms of Movie Animations, Cyber Crimes, and the practical applications of Artificial Intelligence.

The focal point of Computer Science Week was an engaging session on Cyber Security, organized in collaboration with KPMG. Ms. Srija Purimetla and Mr. Gaurav Rout, both seasoned professionals with extensive experience in Information and Cyber Security, led the sessions.

LIFE SKILLS WEEK

During Life Skills Week, Dr. Vijayaprabha, a respected Medical Officer from DPS Bangalore North, addressed students of grades 5-8 students and covered topics like personal hygiene and sex education. The session encouraged students to ask questions about their physical health.

Students also created posters on hygiene and emotional changes during adolescence. The informative session included discussions on physical changes in both genders, dispelling myths about menstruation, and emphasizing hygiene practices. The proactive approach of students reflected the day's spirit, with Dr. Vijayaprabha stressing the importance of informed choices for a healthier life, leaving them with the message, "Your questions today pave the way for a brighter, healthier tomorrow."

❖ LIBRARY WEEK

"Reading is the gateway skill that makes all other learning possible," — Barack Obama Library Week was observed to cultivate a passion for books among students. Diverse activities, including quizzes, debates, book reviews, and story narration, were organized to ensure the event was both interesting and engaging.

CELEBRATIONS GALORE

Celebration of festivals and important days hold immense significance in school. These occasions foster a sense of cultural awareness, instilling values and traditions in young minds. Festivals teach social cohesion, tolerance, and promote a sense of community. They serve as experiential learning opportunities, aiding holistic development in children by integrating cultural, social, and emotional aspects into their educational journey. Keeping the same in mind, an array of festivals and important days were celebrated. The initial major event at the school was the Investiture Ceremony, where deserving students were honoured with the responsibility of leading the school with distinction.

❖ INVESTITURE CEREMONY

"Students of today are the visionaries and torch bearers of tomorrow." Nurturing students to be future leaders, the school witnessed its first mega event, the Investiture Ceremony on 27th June 2023 to bestow the students with responsibility of leading the school with honour. The objective of the event was to espouse confidence, development of leadership qualities and sense of responsibility among them. The chief guests of the event were Dr. Shri. Rehman Khan, Pro-Vice Chairman of KKECT and Mr. Maqsood Ali Khan, Secretary, KKECT. Proud parents, grandparents and other family members were also part of the prestigious ceremony. Dr. Shri Rehman Khan congratulated the newly elected office-bearers and wished them to solemnly take their duties and responsibilities with utmost dedication and diligence.



"Yoga is not just about the physical postures. It's also about the breath, the mind, and the spirit."

To lead children into the path of healthy mind and body, the 9th International Yoga Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm. It was for the first time that students performed Prithvi Namaskara. The students put up a spectacular performance and pledged to make yoga an integral part of their daily lives.

***** INDEPENDENCE DAY

The school celebrated the 77th Independence Day with great enthusiasm and a variety of activities. Students organized a diverse program that included a street play, yoga, and taekwondo performances. The highlights were the eagerly awaited song and dance performances, which captivated the audience with their theatrical nature. Parents, joining the audience this time, came in large numbers to cheer for their children. The event also featured competitions, including slogan-writing, drawing, and papier-mâché model making, in which parents participated enthusiastically, showcasing their best work.



KALAMANCHIKA - ANNUAL DAY

The School marked a momentous occasion on October 13 with the inaugural Annual Day celebration. It was a spectacular event, showcasing the talents and achievements of students. Students from various grades participated in dance, music, and drama performances, adding a lively and colourful touch to the evening. Distinguished guests and dedicated staff members graced the occasion. The festivities kicked off with a grand opening ceremony, featuring a vibrant cultural program. Segment-wise themes like Happy feet – Ek Anokhi Kahani, Panchmoolya- Chirantan Kathayen, Bharat Ek Khoj and Suvarna Itihasa- Chronicles of Raya left the audience spell bound. The atmosphere was filled with pride and excitement as parents, teachers, and students came together to celebrate the school's accomplishments.

Overall, the Annual Day was a memorable occasion, fostering a sense of community and pride within the school. It provided a platform for students to showcase their talents, and the age-appropriate themes made the event a spectacular one.









❖ KARNATAKA RAJYOTSAVA

The school exuberantly celebrated Kannada Rajyotsava, commemorating Karnataka's formation and honouring its linguistic and cultural heritage. Students, through artistic expressions, transported the audience to the heart of Karnataka, providing insights into its historical significance. A dynamic presentation highlighted the Kannada department's efforts in promoting and preserving the language, blending cultural festivities with academic achievements. The event successfully instilled cultural appreciation and pride, emphasizing the importance of preserving linguistic diversity in our shared cultural narrative.



CHILDREN'S DAY

"Childhood is about innocence & playfulness, it is about joy and freedom that must be celebrated every day, even after growing up".

Children's Day at the school was a lively celebration of childhood, featuring a bagless day and vibrant attire. Teachers organized activities like distributing handmade cards with heartfelt messages and sweets. The morning assembly turned delightful with humorous injections, keeping students in fits of laughter. A cultural extravaganza followed, showcasing teachers' talents in songs, dances, skits, and a puppet show. Students actively participated, dancing alongside their teachers. The day continued with a movie screening, sports, and games, ensuring continuous joy. Teachers' warmth and kindness left a lasting impression, acknowledged with gratitude expressed through the head boy and head girl. It was a truly special day filled with laughter, fun, and cherished memories for the children.

❖ SAMVIDHAN DIWAS CELEBRATION

Constitution Day, also known as 'Samvidhan Divas', is celebrated every year to commemorate the adoption of the Constitution of India. To mark the occasion, students engaged in a lively quiz centered around our constitution, gaining valuable knowledge and having fun in the process.

❖ INTERNATIONAL DAY OF DIFFERENTLY ABLED

The school supports inclusion as it is crucial for building a supportive and equitable society. The school orchestrated a brief yet impactful event, uniting students, parents, and faculty to observe the 'International Day of Differently Abled for the first time on December 4, 2023. In a concise 6 minutes and 49 seconds, 1112 handprints were collected, symbolizing a commitment to raising awareness about the challenges faced by differently-abled individuals and fostering solidarity. This event, backed by parental trust, symbolized collective support for diversity and acceptance, imparting crucial lessons of inclusivity and empathy to students. The initiative left an enduring impact, shaping the school's ethos for years to come.



CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

Christmas melodies resonated with joy as the spirit of the season was embraced wholeheartedly. The festivities commenced with a vibrant skit narrating the story of the drummer boy embracing the joy of giving which is a profound experience that transcends material gestures. Students of grades 3-6 mesmerised everyone with their cheerful carols and captivating dance. Students of Rainbow School joined in for this enthralling and cheerful day. The highlight of the day was the enchanting carol singing by a talented group that kept students captivated with their melodious tunes. As the day concluded, it left everyone in high spirits, eagerly anticipating the winter break and wishing each other happy holidays.



MAKAR SANKRANTI

Students and teachers came together to joyously celebrate this festival which traditionally marks the end of winter and the onset of spring. Students dressed in traditional attire were excited and looked prepared for the special assembly. The air was filled with melodies of songs, amazing dances and heart-warming performances by the students. This day focused on instilling a sense of gratitude for the bountiful harvest and encouraging cultural exchange.



❖ NATIONAL YOUTH DAY

The school's National Youth Day celebration showcased a thought-provoking street play with the theme 'It's All in the Mind.' The performance, emphasizing the power of mindset, specifically addressed the prevailing aversion students have towards mathematics. Through engaging scenes and dialogues, the street play aimed to dismantle stereotypes and foster a positive attitude towards math. The creative execution captivated the audience, sparking introspection about the impact of one's mindset. The event successfully blended entertainment with a powerful message, encouraging students to reconsider their perspectives on challenging subjects and embrace a more positive approach to learning.



SCIGENIX

The Annual Science Exhibition was organised on January 12, 2024 in the school premises. A number of students from various classes participated in the exhibition. Parents too were invited for the event. Students presented their projects and models of solar power energy, space satellites, hydroelectric generators, AC and DC motors etc. Parents listened attentively and assessed the descriptions given by the student and thoroughly enjoyed the same. The event aimed to inspire children to showcase their creativity and offered a platform for enhancing their comprehension of scientific concepts and problem-solving abilities.



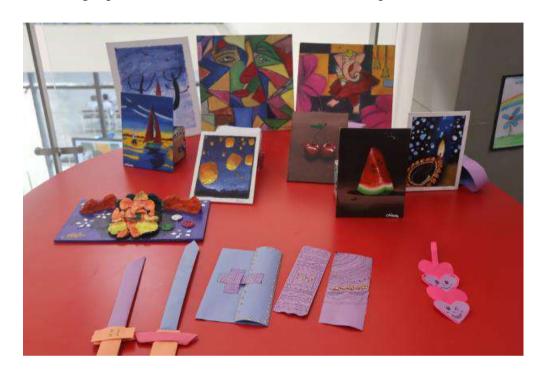






ART EXHIBITION

The school was abuzz with creative talents with the art work of students during the art exhibition. The displays ranged from pencil shading and portraits to different types of paintings splashed with vibrant hues. Students displayed their works compiled by their fostered creativity and enhanced skills. Parents were delighted to watch the colourful displays of their wards and lauded the students' efforts who, under their teacher's guidance had put up a visual treat. The exhibition provided the right platform for students to showcase their exquisite art-work.







The ECCE segment of Delhi Public School Bangalore West organized its first interschool fest Aarohan on 8th February, 2024. It received an overwhelming appreciation and applause. The 'Ascent' as the name suggests has been indomitable - the students participated with full josh and high energy.

Aarohan was not just an event; it was a celebration of talent, creativity and unbound energy.

The students were super excited and participated with full josh. Their enthusiasm knew no bounds. As they took part in the event, they learnt teamwork, leadership and resilience. It was a grand success and indeed a moment to cherish.



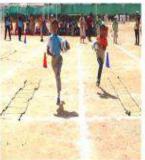


























































GRANDPARENTS' DAY



Our Nursery tiny-tots celebrated 'Grandparents' Day' on 31st January, 2024. It was a joyous occasion filled with love, laughter, and memorable performances.

The event brought together students, teachers, and grandparents, creating a warm and nostalgic atmosphere. The event aimed at active participation of the grandparents. They took part in the games and various activities thus creating a long lasting memories . Our tiny tots made their day with a beautiful song and skit performance. It was a resounding success, leaving everyone with cherished memories.

The grandparents from Janadhwani old age home were also invited to share the joy of love and care.

The event successfully achieved its goal of honoring the grandparents, strengthening family bonds, and creating a sense of joy and togetherness. As the celebration came to an end, the smiles on the faces of both the students and the grandparents reflected the success of the event.







EXPLORATION ESCAPADE

"Field trips are the portals to experiential learning, where textbooks come to life, curiosity meets discovery, and students forge a deeper connection with knowledge through firsthand experiences."



❖ VIDHANA SOUDHA

An educational excursion to Vidhana Soudha was organized for students in Grades VII and VIII. The purpose of the visit was to expose students to the Budget session of the Assembly, where Mr. Sidaramaiah, the Chief Minister and Finance Minister of Karnataka, presented the budget. Witnessing the live session proved to be a privilege, making the trip a valuable experience-based learning opportunity for the students.

❖ DAILY DUMP

The Environment Council Committee was given the opportunity to visit a place called Daily Dump. This visit aimed to equip them with information about waste segregation and its final disposal in landfills. They also learned about composting methods and gained an inderstanding of the significance of maggots in the composting process. Additionally, they were introduced to plant-based alternatives to reduce the use of plastics. This experience brought them one step closer to achieving the school's motto of 'zero to landfill'.

❖ DECCAN HERALD PRINTING PRESS

The eighth-grade students undertook a remarkable visit to the Deccan Herald Printing Press, gaining valuable insights into the dedicated efforts behind delivering daily news to our homes. This trip was not only informative but also interactive, allowing students to pose questions and interact with industry professionals.

PLANETARIUM

An educational field trip to the Jawaharlal Nehru Planetarium was organised for the students of grades IV to VI. Students accompanied by their class teachers visited the planetarium and the science park which was on the same campus. The trip was organized to enhance their critical thinking skills. It gave them an opportunity to observe, explore and experience the outer world.



& EUROPE TRIP

Students from grades 6 to 8 embarked on an unforgettable week-long trip to Europe, exploring France, Switzerland, Austria, and Germany. The journey included iconic destinations such as Munich, where a guided tour captivated their senses. The Swarovski Crystal World, featuring enchanting displays like the "Crystal Cloud" and "Chandelier of Grief," left a lasting impression. In Innsbruck, they learned about its historical significance, including King Maximilian's influence. A memorable moment was the Lindt Chocolate factory tour, where they witnessed the chocolate-making process and indulged their taste buds. Highlights also included a cable car ride to icy Titlis, a presentation on cuckoo clocks, a Rhine Falls Cruise, and a Paris City Cruise with breathtaking views of the Eiffel Tower. These experiences, from snowball fights to cultural insights, created cherished memories for the students.

DISCOVERY VILLAGE

The excitement of a picnic, especially one with friends, is contagious!! The students of Grades 3 to 8 had an enjoyable experience bonding together over fun and games at The Discovery Village off Kanakapura Road, Bangalore. The warmth of the hosts matched the spirit of the day and students and the accompanying teachers had lots of memoires to take back. Zip line, rope climbing, wall climbing, pottery, and a host of other games and activities challenged each one to come out of their shells and attempt many firsts. The enthusiasm and energy of each child

was evident from the moment buses left the school campus in the morning, till they reached back safe and sound in the evening.



EXEMPLARS BEST PRACTICES



In pursuit of excellence, our school has adopted a series of best practices that go beyond conventional education. These practices reflect our commitment to holistic education, emphasizing not only academic excellence but also environmental stewardship, social consciousness, and overall well-being. By incorporating such initiatives, our school strives to create a nurturing environment that prepares students for a well-rounded and socially responsible future.

* ZERO WASTE TO LANDFILL

In the current session, the Zero Waste to Landfill initiative has evolved as the young explorers proactively devised innovative ways for waste segregation. Regular inspections and ongoing guidance empower the school community to align with our sustainability goals. Witnessing this dedication, a Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) was established to further enhance the efforts in realizing a waste-free environment. The 'zero waste to landfill' initiative by the school environment team has expanded its reach by involving a greater number of teachers and students. Now, students from all classes are being guided through a systematic learning process for waste reduction. Embracing environmental responsibility, the mission of achieving 'Zero Waste to Landfill' will reach new heights with the imminent installation of a composting machine in school.

❖ DROP EVERYTHING AND READ - D.E.A.R

To foster a love for books and encourage a reading habit, the DEAR program was introduced as part of zero-period planning. However, it faced challenges and did not meet the expected success. Consequently, DEAR will now be integrated into the weekly classroom schedule, emphasizing the importance of reading as a priority and creating anticipation for this dedicated period.

❖ CUBS AND BULBULS (GRADE II), SCOUTS AND GUIDES (GRADE VI &VII)

This programme became an integral part of the school this year. It was inducted with the aim to build confidence and self-esteem among the students. The programme is at its infancy at the moment but few activities were conducted where students learnt some important life-skills, team building tips and had fun. It helped them to explore and to discover the world beyond classroom. Few teachers underwent training for the same. The training programs for teachers played a pivotal role in enhancing their skills, knowledge, and overall development. The trained teachers can now employ these methodologies to empower themselves in their educational journey.







❖ PAPER RECYCLING

In a commendable eco-friendly initiative, the school's environment team has embraced the practice of recycling paper to contribute to a sustainable environment. The discarded paper is meticulously collected, processed, and turned into pulp through an efficient recycling system. This pulp is then creatively transformed into various objects, showcasing the school's commitment to both environmental responsibility and artistic innovation.

Notably, the recycled paper creations serve a dual purpose – not only do they minimize waste, but they also become unique and thoughtful gifts used by the school for various occasions. This initiative not only fosters a culture of sustainability among students but also underscores the importance of repurposing materials to reduce our ecological footprint. Through this creative and environmentally conscious approach, the school continues to make a positive impact on both the local community and the planet at large.





❖ SPORTS FOR ALL

> PARENTS' SPORTS DAY

The school had the immense pleasure of celebrating its very first Parents Annual Sports Day, aptly named Spectra - Fitness Fusion! It believes that sports is an integral part for the holistic development of the students. This year the school expanded this belief with the involvement of the parents and organised a Parents' Sports Meet. The participation of parents was commendable; all the teams were filled with zest and enthusiasm. It was a day filled with sportsmanship, joy, and cherished family moments. Heart-warming moments of teamwork and bonding on the field made this day truly special. The winners were honoured with medals and certificates.



> YOGA FOR ALL

On the occasion of Yoga Day, the school pioneered a health and fitness drive for parents. Small, invigorating yoga videos were uploaded, fostering physical and mental well-being. This initiative not only promoted a healthier lifestyle for families but also strengthened the school community through shared wellness practices. The school's commitment to involving parents in various activities, be it through yoga videos, sports events, or Independence Day celebrations, will continue with enhanced plans and engaging activities.

> KRITAGYATE DIWAS

Kritagyate Diwas was celebrated on September 4th to acknowledge and celebrate the hard work and commitment of the school's support staff. On behalf of the Management, the Principal expressed gratitude for the vital roles played by the diverse support staff in maintaining the school's operations and ensuring a safe, clean, and nurturing environment





> ADHIGAM

The academic year 2022-23 came to an end with galore of activities where the talented seniors shared their learning with their juniors. The theme for the year was 'Culture and Heritage of Karnataka.' The different activities conducted were Dance, Music, Arts and crafts, Sports, Paper Recycling, Puppetry, Science Hands-on, Sketching, Doodling, best out of waste, Rubik's cube and puppet show.







GENESIS ENDEAVOURNEW INITIATIVES

***** HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

ADDRESS HEALTH- The school has collaborated with Address Health to safeguard the health and well-being of the students. Comprehensive examinations, encompassing measurements such as height, weight, and eyesight, were conducted to ensure that every child met the established health standards. Additionally, the team makes monthly visits to the school, involving students from grades 1 to 5 in health-related activities centred around specific themes.

On the occasion of Children's Day, the Address Health staff presented the school with a health library. This library comprises a bookshelf stocked with approximately 35 health books, providing students with a valuable resource for reference and learning.



***** COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The school took a step forward and engaged in community outreach initiatives. Fuelled by a commitment to making a positive impact, various initiatives were undertaken during the joy of giving week. The counselling department led the initiative, adopting diverse approaches to empathize with and bring smiles to the faces of the differently privileged people and children in society spreading joy during the festive Christmas season.

One notable endeavour involved organizing garage sales, where the teachers generously contributed items for sale, and the proceeds were dedicated to funding essential needs at orphanages and old-age homes. The community's active participation not only raised funds but also fostered a spirit of shared responsibility and empathy.

Somone has rightly said that, "Joy multiplies when shared through the simple act of giving." Giving of one's time was also faciliatated by visits to some old-age homes, orphanages and NGOs, to have a personal interaction with the inmates. The key visits were to the following places:

RAINBOW HOME FOR GIRLS - A donation drive comprising groceries, sanitary pads, soaps, toothpaste, shampoo, miscellaneous items, and clothing was organized amongst the school community, for a school run by an NGO. Subsequently, the students of Rainbow Home for Girls were invited to partake in the school's Christmas celebration. During their visit, they shared their thoughts and immersed themselves in the festive atmosphere, particularly enjoying the visit to the school library. The school aims to extend more frequent invitations to the students of Rainbow Homes, providing them access to our facilities, organizing competitions, and events along with the students.





NACHIKETA MANOVIKASA KENDRA - SPECIAL SCHOOL - The festival of Makar Sankranti, provided a perfect opportunity for celebration with the children of this special school. Students organized a small festive program and shared lunch to build the bonds of friendship.



JANADHWANI OLD AGE HOME – which is run by the Janadhwani Seva Trust, received a generous donation of miscellaneous items. The visit to the home involved meaningful interactions between students, staff, and elderly individuals. Students and teachers celebrated Christmas with them bringing joy through carols, dancing, and the distribution of Santa hats and cakes.





➤ <u>GOONJ</u>-The joy of giving extended to 'Goonj Trust' with a substantial donation of essential items. By embracing the spirit of giving and compassion, we believe in building a community that cares for its members and strives to make a positive impact on the lives of those less fortunate.

*** YOUNG EXPLORERS**

"Tell me and I forget, teach me and I may remember, involve me and I learn." - Benjamin Franklin

A notable feature of the NEP 2020 is its shift from the much prevalent rote learning, and thrust towards real understanding and learning how to learn. It aims to provide learning that is holistic, integrated, enjoyable and engaging, with space made out for critical thinking, inquiry based, discovery based, discussion based and analysis based learning.

It is in keeping with these guidelines that the Young Explorers initiative was conceived and implemented as a pilot programme focusing on the 4Cs of the 21st Century Skills, for interested students (to begin with) from Grades VI to VIII.

A key strategy used in the Young Explorers initiative is to allow the students to lead the different programmes, with teachers switching chiefly between the roles of facilitators, sounding boards, and discussion catalysts. Ample room is given to learn from their mistakes and build their confidence with well-earned successes. By fostering a culture of problem-solving and collaboration, the school empowers students to make a positive impact on their learning environment and develop essential life skills in the process.

The Young Explorers initiative is spread across various spectrums:

THINKING HANDS (Critical Thinking) - students exploring and solving real time problems that exist on the school campus. Though seeming simple at first glance, looking into issues like getting chalk dust off the teachers' table, difficulties faced by ECCE kids while sharpening pencils, etc. were perfect learning grounds for curious minds. The creativity and practicality of the solutions that students came up with was noteworthy.









A commendable initiative taken by the students to raise awareness about the environmental impact of fireworks during Diwali was the production of a video to promote a pollution-free celebration. The same was shared across the school's social media platforms to reach a wider audience, including parents and the general public. Small steps like these contribute to a more sustainable and mindful approach to festive celebrations.

SYNERGY SUMMIT (Collaboration) - student leaders coming together for reflection and planning of annual initiatives. The vision of DPSBW to develop confident, compassionate and empathetic leaders is evidenced in the Prefectorial Board, which is formed annually. As representatives of different teams and houses of the school student community, their opinions, ideas and suggestions are valued and considered all through the course of the year.

The Synergy Summit was a platform for the Prefects to present & justify some of their well thought through ideas and annual plans, to the principal and other faculty members. All the suggestions put forth were very credible and implemented over the academic year.





➤ <u>LITERARY LENS (Communication)</u> - exploring creative ways for sharing of thoughts and ideas.

"The art of communication is the language of leadership" – James Humes
The school understands the importance of communication skills in effective leadership. The
annual school magazine – Pratibimb, was opened up to the students to develop this vital
skill. Wholly conceived and implemented by the students of Grade 7 and 8, it proves to be
both a learning ground and showcase stage for creative communication.

➤ <u>DESIGN THINKING (Creativity)</u> -- as a Skill Subject that helps appreciate the concepts and explore approaches to effective designs. Considering the versatility with which the five steps of Design Thinking Cycle (Empathize, Define, Ideate, Prototype and Test) can be incorporated across multiple spectrums, Design Thinking is one of the Skill subject options offered to students of Grades 6 to 8.

INCLUSION

The "Break the Barrier" program was initiated for Divyaang students this year. The aim of the program is to expose the Divyaang students to more of physical activities as a part of their special education classes. Through Sports, students developed their eye contact, sensory integration, social interaction, motor skills, coordination, and balance, which are often areas of challenge for these children. Additionally, physical activities also helps students to regulate sensory processing, reduce anxiety, and improve mood, contributing to better emotional regulation. It also improves skills in relationship building and working as part of a team

AWARDS & ACCOLADES

> TIMES EXCELLENCE AWARD

The school has been ranked number 2 among CBSE schools in Bangalore, receiving the Times Education Excellence Award for Emerging School. From academic achievements to innovative programs promoting environmental stewardship and community engagement. The school consistently demonstrates a commitment to holistic education. This accolade reflects an unwavering dedication to nurturing well-rounded, socially conscious, and high-achieving individuals.



❖ NATIONAL LEVEL

The students not only excelled academically, but also excelled in sports and various cocurricular activities, earning recognition for their achievements and bringing pride to the school.

Raghav (Grade 4) won Bronze in the Indian Nationals, Karate. He was a semifinalist in his age/weight category.

Nikhita (Grade 6) won Gold in the National Level Karate Championship held in November, and is the National champion in her age/ weight category.





❖ STATE LEVEL

Moksha (Grade 1) showcased her exceptional skill and determination at the 26th RKSK Invitational Karate Championship 2023, securing a commendable 2nd place in the state-level competition.

Muhammad Riyaz (Grade 3) participated in Abacus competition (State level) which was held on Sunday, the 3rd December 2023, and achieved the top position -GRAND CHAMPIONSHIP.





❖ SCHOOL LEVEL

Vrishank (Grade 2) won the first position for National Cyber



Gyan Akash Singh (Grade 7) Medal of Distinction National Cyber Olympiad.



❖ INTER-SCHOOL COMPETITIONS

> IMPRESSIONS:

DPS Bangalore North School hosted 'Impressions – Manthanein', an exciting inter-school math based competition that brought together young math enthusiasts from various schools. Students showcased their mathematical prowess through challenging problems, fostering a spirit of healthy competition and academic excellence.





Notable performances included: -

Name of the Student	Event	Medal/Position
Litesha	Cardstruct	1st Position
Ishaan Hareesh	Minecraft	2nd Position
Maurya	Giggle Guru	3rd Position
Abhinav, Pradyumna, Gokul, Sowrish	Code 2 Win	Winners

> ESF INTER- SCHOOL SPORTS MEET:

Einheit Sports Foundation hosted an exhilarating Inter School sports meet held on 5th, 6th and 12th December 2023 at Bangalore University Campus. The event brought together schools from the region, fostering healthy competition and a sense of camaraderie among students. The school's athletes, competing in a variety of disciplines, showcased commendable sportsmanship and skill throughout the competition. The athletics contingent represented the school with exceptional enthusiasm and determination. Athletes competed in various track and field events, demonstrating speed, strength and agility.

Notable performances included: -

Name of the Student	Event	Medal/Position
Shashank	Shot put	Silver
Nidhi P	400m and long jump	Silver and Bronze
Manyatha	Throw ball	Silver
Histarth	Throw ball	4th Position
Luvansh	Standing board jump	4th Position



► IGNIS:

DPS Bangalore Electronic City hosted 'IGNIS 2023', an inter school cultural festival. It was a wonderful digital platform to showcase the inherent creativity and talent of the students. These creative activities helped them to express emotions and sentiments and brought forth the inherent talent and capability of the students. The students embarked on this wonderful journey by participating in the various events with enthusiasm.

Notable performances included: -

Name of the Student	Event	Medal/Position
Lasya_	Intriguing Imposta	First
Sannidhi Satish	Classical Confabulation	Third
Ronav K Bodhi	Classical Confabulation	Special Mention
Vaaruni	Roux 'N' Roast	Second
Kruthi	Art - I- Culate	Special Mention
Gahan	Art - I- Culate	Special Mention
Aneesh & Jeevan Patel	Math Maze	Runners-up

> BUDDING CRICKETERS

- The school cricket team achieved distinction by securing a comfortable victory against Colombo Cricket Association and won the match by 6 Wickets.
- The school team played against DPS Bangalore North on their home ground and won the match by 5 wickets.
- Regular practice sessions helped the school team to reach the knockout round in the KSCA BTR 3rd Division Cup by winning 2 matches.



Participation in DPS HRDC Programmes

l.No.	Event	Hosted By
1	'Swarangini'-Hindustani vocal music	DPS Knowledge Park, Noida
2	'Nrityanjali' – Dance Festival	DPS Eldeco, Lucknow
3	Inter DPS Quiz	Online









DPS HRDC Offline Workshop Attendees: Kuljeet Kaur & Uma Ashok