



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

There's a buzz of frenzy...its the parents getting the 'act' together before the exams of their child! Did you, Child, think this important, to toil hard and forego play, Just to get that perfect score! Nope! Exams are just one of those things- you do what you can and leave it there! Exams are for parents to frenzy about, while you live life full on- Frolicking in your youth and innocence, with not a care thence! Stay what you are, Child, because you will be a child just once! Give your best and exams done, gambol into your summer time You will remain the child you are, just once!!!

RESONART 2015-16

Every year The Deens academy celebrates and takes pride in showcasing the talent and creativity of the students in an exhibit called "Resonart". The parents are invited to see and appreciate the work accomplished by their wards in various subjects in ways of models, paintings, theatrical experience and much more.



For this year, the students were selected for participating in all the departments: Science, Maths, English, Social Science, Hindi, German, French and Arts.

Students worked hard at displaying the various related charts and models in unique ways. Also the departments planned various activities in which the parents had to be involved during the visiting hours. These activities were in the forms of games, puzzles, skits etc on topics that students learned all through the year.

The English Department displayed original poems written by grade 6-8, travelogues prepared by grade 6, Character sketches done by grade 7 and much more. The students arranged for idiom games and wuzzles to entertain the visitors.

The French department lured the parents with its French Bakery whereas the **German Department** had a skit which showed the basic words used in German at specific occasions.



The Science department was compiled of complicated circuits of Physics, the creative models of Biology and various chemical experiments in Chemistry. **The Hindi Department** played a game of proverbs with the parents and also had a tattoo making stall. The students painted beautiful, intricate tattoos for everyone.

The Maths Department left the visitors spellbound with their numerous exhibits. Origami Polyhedron and algebraic identity activity conducted by grade 8, food stalls, handicrafts and jewellery stalls to drive home the concepts of profit and loss and proportions conducted by grade 7. Maths tricks and puzzles done by grade 6 and 3D models based on volume and surface area. The event was great success, the students enjoyed working in teams and arranging the display stands whereas the parent enjoyed the wholesome experience the exhibit gave them. They were pleased to see that the theoretical knowledge was put to application in the most innovative ways under the guidance of passionate teachers. The parents returned home convinced that the learning standards at Deens are sure the kind they want to give to their wards.



DISCOVERING GOD – THE SKIT COMPETITION

The Inter-house skit competition was another very fun and eye-opening competition. The Grade 6, 7 and 8 students of the four houses – Rubrus, Praisinus, Caeruleus and Flavus enacted skits on the topic – God can you hear me! or God help me! The Judges for the event were: Ms.Chandana Mukherjee and Ms. Amrita Jagannath. The storyline of the four skits were as follow:

RUBRUS:

It was about a boy who did not care about his parents when he was young and the parents were very disappointed with him and how later on when he grew older, he took care of his parents with utmost devotion. The team – members of the skit were: Niranjana, Adarsh and Esha (Grade 6); Mayur, Prahlad, Vidhi Das and Niharika (Grade 7); Ishita, Dhruv, Manav and Vidhi (Grade 8).

PRAISINUS:

The skit was from the point of view of God and how he deals with problems that millions of people ask him help for. The participants were: Biswesh and Adit (Grade 7); Vraj and Krishna (Grade 8).

CAERULEUS:

This skit was about the problems the different age groups have to face and how God solves it. The students performing the skit were: Swarnanathan, Anthony, Vignesh, Pranith, Diya, (Grade 6); Krishna, Vaanishree, Dashawn and Sudish (Grade 7); Nihal, Maitrayee and Nikitha (Grade 8).

FLAVUS:

The skit was about a man, Raghu who is fired from his job and has no money which he can use for daily expenses or for his sister's wedding or for paying rent. God comes in the form of his friend and helps him find a new job. The students who were a part of the skit are: Nikhil (Grade 6) Priya, Khushi .D and Meghna (Grade 7); Dhriti, Joshua and Riya (Grade 8).

After spellbound performances by the students the judges had a tough time in deciding the winners. The messages of each skit came out clear and acting skills of all the performers was appreciated. After careful scrutiny, the judges announced **RUBRUS** house as the winner for the competition.

GRADE-5 SPECIAL ASSEMBLY

It was a beautiful, sunny day. The pretty sky was enough for anyone to turn their heads up. However, the Deenites' attention was captured by something else. Everyone, students and teachers alike, were gazing at the stage in wonder. For a marvelous mime was being performed by the 5th graders. Faces painted in white, they left the stage on fire.



The topic was **Gratitude and Attitude**, which was depicted through a simple, yet fantastic story. The story was set in a happy park scene, where everyone was shouting, playing and having fun. An old lady carrying an umbrella. Suddenly, rain starting pouring down and a little girl asked the old lady if she could also use the umbrella. The lady agreed. The other people noticed this and saw that the old lady was the only one with an umbrella. Soon, every single person in the park and also people passing by it were cluttered under the small umbrella.

Soon, a violent storm broke out and the people began to realize that the small, frail umbrella could not stand them any longer. They all ran out in search of refuge. The little girl also walked away slowly. The umbrella could not withstand the force any longer and was lured away by the wind. The old lady was weak and her struggles went in vain. The storm was too much for her and she collapsed on the ground. The little girl at once rushed to her aid.

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AN INFORMATIVE VISIT TO THE JAWAHARLAL NEHRU PLANETARIUM

Our visit to the Jawaharlal Nehru planetarium was truly a wonderful one. Originally meant to be a field trip for learning for classes 7 and 8, it turned out to be more than just that. Not only did we learn innumerable astonishing facts, but we also enjoyed a lot. It was not what we expected.

One very interesting fact that we got to know from the documentary that was played at the planetarium was; if we would switch off most or all lights in a large area like a city, we would be able to see not only millions of stars but also the Milky Way! Amazing, isn't it. We got to know many facts about the solar system, the Sun and the planets.

Some of the facts being:

Sun:

It is completely made of hydrogen and helium and has dark spots on it called sunspots.

Mercury:

Though being the closest planet to the Sun, it is only the second hottest planet due to its small size.

Venus:

It is called the twin of Earth.

It is a very dangerous planet as it's atmosphere is poisonous and it is the hottest planet.

Earth:

It is the largest of the 4 inner planets.

Mars:

It is believed that millions of years ago, water existed in liquid form in Mars.

Life may be able to exist in Mars.

It has 2 satellites: Phobos and Deimos.

Many probes like Rover and MOM have been sent to the planet.

Jupiter:

It has a large a large red spot on it which actually is a storm twice the size f Earth which has been raging since the past 400 years.

It is the fastest spinning planet, one day having only 9 hours 55 minutes.

It has 67 satellites. The largest 4 are: Io, Europa, Ganymede and Callisto.

Saturn:

It has beautiful rings made of ice, dust and gases.

It has 53 satellites, the largest is Titan.

It has 2 satellites which revolve in the same orbit around Saturn but have never crashed each other.

Uranus:

It is the furthest planet visible to naked eye.

It was discovered by William Herschel.

Its axis of rotation is tilted.

Neptune:

It was the last planet to be discovered.

Scientists concluded that a planet lay beyond Uranus because an unknown object seemed to be tugging at Uranus with its gravity.

General Facts:

Kuiper belt is a region beyond Neptune which has asteroids, comets and other ice bodies.

Voyager 1 crossed the solar system.

The day ended with fun and play at the science park that had science models at display. Many of us tried our hands at the Resonating Pendulums, Models of DNA, Rotating Cylinders, Sun Dials, Whispering Dish and many more.



THE INTER HOUSE MUSIC COMPETITION

The school was filled with mesmerizing notes on the 19th of February, 2016. The musical atmosphere was created by the talented singers of Deens Academy, who kept the audience enthralled with their melodious music. The inter-house singing competition was a tremendous success. The four houses – **Rubrus, Prasinus, Caeruleus** and **Flavus** showcased beautiful singing pieces, each of them succeeding in winning the well-earned admiration of students and teachers alike. The competition was held on 19th February (Friday), during the club period. The audience of this competition comprised of the students from classes 6 – 8. The audience was very cooperative and allowed the competition to go on smoothly. The competition was hosted by Yasmin Ali. One among the best math teachers in our school. The competition was judged by Hamsini Murthi, Soma Dasgupta and Shiueta Jagdish. Thank you, ma'ams, for your cooperation and fairness.

Caeruleus house sang the marvelous piece 'Evergreen, Everblue', which earned them the First prize. The participants – **Yashaswini Narasimhan, Gayathri Iyengar, Anthony D'souza, Vignesh Santosh, Maheen Attar, Lavanya Satyakumar, Diya Reddy, Maitryee Gadgil, Ananya Upadhyay, Harshil Kabduwal, Nina Rajramun, Nihal Tiwari, Darshan Dinesh, Sudish Sivakumar, Navya Govil, Vaanishree Joshi and Krisha Kothuru** gave a beautiful performance, fit for the First prize.

Prasinus house, made up of **Sneha Rose, Shravya Sukumar, Sunanda, Vraj Desai, Alia Sakina, Sritika Moningi, Hari Shankar, Kavya Arun, Trisha Kopparthi, Meera Hatangadi, Adi Narayan and Mohit Anand**, were the Second Prize winners, who sang an Indian music mix amazingly perfectly. Congratulations to all the winners! A special thanks must be given to Rubrus house, who sang 'Nature's Calling' and Flavus house, who sang 'Country Roads' for the effort put by them in the competition.

NSO OLYMPIAD STATE TOPPERS FROM OUR SCHOOL

The National Science Olympiad (NSO) is a prestigious competition and students from schools all over the world take part in it every year. Students at Deens Academy also take part in this competition with great enthusiasm. This time, the NSO exam took place on 20th October 2015. A large number of students from our school sat down to write this exam and quite a few of them managed to get good ranks and made it to the state toppers list. The state toppers from Deens Academy for the academic year 2015-2016 are:

- Grade 1 - Aadit Chopra and Khushi Bansal
- Grade 2 - Sanvi Mishra, Manas Pandey, Prerasi Ganesh
- Grade 3 - Anvesha Gupta, Shrey Gupta, Ritwik Awasti
- Grade 5 - Vaibhav Raj, Siddharth Sampath
- Grade 6 - Vignesh, Aryan, Smiti Nigam
- Grade 7 - Devika Maniraj
- Grade 8 - Sarthak Agarwal, Shasan Nombia
- Grade 9 - Arnav Agarwal
- Grade 10 - Amrita Mahesh



SPECIAL ASSEMBLY OF UKG - MOBILE ETIQUETTES

Mobiles today have become an essential part of everyone's life. For some of us the day starts and ends while staring in the small mobile screens or typing messages. In many ways it has become almost impossible to part ways with this magical gadget. However, with so much dependency on mobile, we have also realised its ill effects on our daily lives. This is exactly what the little ones from the UKG displayed through a small act in their special assembly. Through a mime, they depicted how a little baby goes ignored by her mom while the mom is busy talking over her phone. This has become a very common scene in households which the adults must do away with. In the second scene, which was extremely funny, a man is busy with his mobile inside a washroom, whereas his friend is kept waiting and banging at the door.

The scenes were enacted so well that the audience burst into laughters. But the message was clear and for everyone to remember. Do use the gadgets for the benefit but do not make it so essential in life that important things like friend, family and the world around goes unnoticed. Kudos to the little ones to bring up an important topic in such a light manner. Their presence on the stage and their confident strides in all the scenes left the audience spellbound.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF DAY

“ Gratitude can transform common days to Thanksgiving, turn routine jobs into joy and change ordinary opportunities to blessings”

Wednesday, the 2nd of March was celebrated as Admin day, as a treat and a thank you to all the administrative staff at Deens Academy, ECC Road. It is their hard work and sincere work ethics that mark us as one of the most efficient institutions. The primary sections for grade 2, 4, 5 and 9 each did their own tremendously amazing performances for our respected staff members. We had exciting dance and music performances by the children who had clearly put in tons of hard work to make the admin staff's day! Grade 2 did a sweet partner dance with utmost coordination. Grade 5 sang a melodious song on gratitude and attitude. Grade 9 presented a Fusion dance, which was a good opportunity for them to showcase their talents before they get engulfed by their 10th grade studies. And grade 4, for the grand finale, danced an excellent Egyptian dance! The students were helped by our wonderful teachers in putting up the show and coordinating it well all the way long. Our Western dance teacher Demelza Parker and our Indian dance teacher Prachi ma'am together helped all the performers by enthusiastically choreographing the dances. And no show is complete without music, which was taken care of by our dear Ujjwal sir. Administration is a 24/7, 365 day job and we Deenites were more than happy to make this day special for them.



EDITORIAL TEAM

