

Dear Deenites and Parents

Welcome to the new academic session. Our first edition, with the new batch of Grade 7 editors brings to you the news and happenings from the day we commenced the session. Read on and stay cued for our monthly newsletters!



Mrs. Shanthi Menon
Founder Principal

FOUNDERS DAY

Deens Academy celebrated its Founder's Day on June 11th 2026 with great excitement and pride. The school community, students, teachers, and parents came together to recognize achievement, leadership, and creativity.



The program began with the Investiture Ceremony, where the newly elected student council members stepped forward to take their oaths. This moment reminded everyone of the importance of responsibility and teamwork in shaping the future of the school. The day's highlight was the Prize Distribution Ceremony. Students from primary, middle, and senior school were honoured for their hard work and dedication. Awards were given for academic excellence, subject achievements, attendance, and overall performance. The applause and cheers from classmates created an atmosphere of encouragement, motivating everyone to aim higher in the coming year.



Adding colour and energy to the event was a graceful Bharatanatyam dance performance. The dancers impressed the audience with their expressive hand gestures, rhythmic footwork, and elegant movements. This performance not only entertained but also reminded everyone of the beauty of India's culture



The celebration concluded with an inspiring speech from the school leadership. They emphasized that Founder's Day is more than just a day of awards, it is a reminder to live by the school's values of Learning, Honesty, Dedication, and Hard Work every single day. The event left the entire school community feeling proud and united, ready to carry forward the spirit of excellence into the new academic year.

- Dhyuthi .RM 7A

INVESTITURE CEREMONY

"Leadership is an action, not a position." -Donald McGannon. This quote truly captures the essence of what true leadership actually means at The Deens Academy, which is commitment, perseverance and above all, integrity. This auspicious day marks the swearing-in of our newly elected leaders of the Student Council. The Investiture Ceremony is not merely the presentation of badges but a celebration of leadership, responsibility and the power of service. The event commenced with a captivating performance by the Indian Music Choir, which painted a rich tapestry of Indian culture while keeping it modern. Their enchanting performance really set the tone for the coming events.



After which the school band welcomed the Student Council with pride, grandeur and serious rhythm. The rhythmic beats of the drums and the resonant notes of the brass instruments symbolised unity, discipline and teamwork as the Core Council took the stage. Representing dedication, discipline, and equal opportunity, the members of the Core Council contribute actively through their actions and commitment. Each one of its members truly embodies this profound truth in their everyday lives.

- 🏆 President - Malhaar Paddasari
- 🏆 Vice President - Arnav Pratap Singh
- 🏆 Minister for Sports - Kahaan Mazumdar
- 🏆 Minister for Culture - Pragati
- 🏆 Head Prefect, Middle School - Shivanshi Tomar
- 🏆 Head Prefect, Primary School - Anvika Aggarwal

As the drums continue to beat, the house captains take centre stage to be entrusted with their responsibilities and the goal of leading their respective houses towards excellence and success under the guiding light of their House Masters. No Investiture Ceremony is complete without a solemn oath-taking, a powerful symbol of duty, promise, accountability and service. For the newly elected Student Council, it marked the beginning of an adventurous year dedicated to upholding the values of the school and carrying forward its proud legacy.

- Dyuthi Adithya 7A



DEBATE COMPETITION

Inter-House Debate Competition – Grades 5 to 8

The Inter-House Debate Competition for students of Grades 5 to 8 was held on 15th June, 2026. The event provided an excellent platform for students to showcase their public speaking, critical thinking, and argument-building skills. Participants confidently presented their views and impressed the audience with their clarity of thought and persuasive speaking abilities. The competition witnessed enthusiastic participation from all the houses, making it a closely contested event. Congratulations to all the winners for their outstanding performances.

The winners were:

- **Grade 5:** Siddharth Raj Paul of Flavus House
- **Grade 6:** Anmay Goel of Flavus House secured the First Prize, while Avika Srivastava of Rubrus House was awarded the title of Best Speaker.
- **Grade 7:** Poulomi Jana of Caeruleus House won the First Prize with an impressive performance.
- **Grade 8:** Advik Garg of Caeruleus House secured the First Prize, and Avigna Das was recognised as the Best Speaker.

The event encouraged students to express their opinions confidently and helped develop essential communication and leadership skills.



Inter-House Debate Competition – Grades 9 to 12

The Inter-House Debate Competition for Grades 9 to 12 held on 19th June, 2026 was an exciting showcase of eloquence, logical reasoning, and persuasive argumentation. Students from different houses participated with great enthusiasm and demonstrated exceptional debating skills. Prasinus House emerged as the winner in both categories, Grades 9–10 and Grades 11–12, through remarkable teamwork and strong performances.

The winners in the Grades 9–10 category were:

- Aishani Sahay (Grade 10B)
- Pratyush Mijar (Grade 10E)
- Mokhita S. (Grade 10B)

The winners in the Grades 11–12 category were:

- Shivatmika Routh (Grade 11B)
- Sarvajith Kiran Rao (Grade 11B)
- Riyanna Sarkar (Grade 11D)

Special awards were also presented:

- Best Speaker: Tanisha Bose (Grade 11D, Caeruleus House) and Mokhita S. (Grade 10B, Prasinus House)
- Best Rebuttalist: Sarvajith Kiran Rao (Grade 11B, Prasinus House) and Aishani Sahay (Grade 10B, Prasinus House)

The competition highlighted the importance of effective communication, confidence, and respectful exchange of ideas, inspiring students to become thoughtful and articulate speakers.



ECO CLUB INAUGURATION

As we mark the beginning of our journey towards environmental sustainability, around 160 enthusiastic students participated in the inaugural ceremony of our Eco Club held on 22nd of June 2026. Our Vice Principal, Ms. Sita Nanduri, engaged students in an interactive discussion exchanging ideas and suggestions on practical ways to conserve precious resources.

The inauguration was marked by a plantation drive, where students planted saplings reaffirming their commitment to creating a greener environment. This was followed by slogan-writing and essay-writing competitions on the theme "My Earth, My Responsibility". In the true spirit of sustainability, all sheets used for the competitions were taken from old drawing notebooks. Through shared ideas, responsible choices, and collective action, this event reminded us that every small step towards sustainability creates a lasting impact.

- Manasvi Nidhi, 8C



LEADERSHIP TRAINING PROGRAMME-STUDENT COUNCIL 2026

The 'Wired to Lead' programme on 13th of June, led by Ms. Krithika, was an enlightening experience for the Student Council members across the Gunjur and Whitefield campuses. Through this programme, we were able to reflect on our actions and behaviours to ultimately become better leaders through a structured process of self-awareness.

The journey began with identifying our triggers and understanding how they influence our decisions and interactions. Next, we explored our influence currencies, which helped us recognise our unique leadership styles and the ways in which we motivate and inspire others. Finally, we identified areas where we can adapt and improve to become more effective leaders.

These three key aspects prompted us to reflect on two important questions: "What kind of leader do I want to be?" and "What kind of brand image do I want to create?" The session encouraged us to introspect and respond, making us all better leaders for tomorrow.

- Pragati Rajan G12



LogIQids Mental Aptitude Olympiad – International Achievements

A few of our students excelled in the final stage of the **LogIQids Mental Aptitude Olympiad**, earning commendable international ranks.

- **Vrishank Sahay (Grade 4)** – International Rank 10
- **Kireeti Uppalluri (Grade 4)** – International Rank 13
- **Krithik Das (Grade 5)** – International Rank 9
- **Vedhamsh Bansal (Grade 7)** – International Rank 6
- **Arav Thawani (Grade 7)** – International Rank 18

In recognition of their exceptional performance, the students were felicitated during the school assembly.



YOGA DAY CELEBRATIONS

Our school has taken a step forward to celebrate International Yoga Day. The event was not just about practicing yoga poses but also about learning what our body and mind are truly capable of. During the session, we learned that yoga helps improve our breathing, relax our muscles, and keep our minds calm and focused. We also learned that yoga supports our immune system and helps in the regulation of T-cells, which play an important role in keeping us healthy. In today's busy world, our nervous system often behaves as if danger is always around us. As a result, our muscles stay tense and our breathing becomes shallow. Through simple yoga and relaxation exercises, we send a message to our body that it is safe to relax.

As our teachers explained, these exercises tell our body:
"The war is over. You may stand down now."

This year's Yoga Day activities mainly focused on calming the nervous system rather than performing difficult poses or putting stress on our muscles. Watching hundreds of students practice yoga together with sincerity and discipline was truly inspiring. It reminded us that education is not only about gaining knowledge but also about learning skills that help us take care of ourselves throughout our lives. Our Yoga Day celebration was never about achieving perfect poses. It was about helping students understand that the body is wise. It knows how to protect us, but it also needs to know when it is safe to stop fighting and relax. Perhaps this is one of the most important lessons that yoga teaches us—not just for one day, but for life. Yoga Today, Healthy Tomorrow!

- Ashwath A 7A



SENIOR BASKETBALL FINAL

Inter-House Basketball Matches – Grades 9 to 12

The Inter-House Basketball tournament brought energy and excitement to the courts, with students from Grades 9–12 competing fiercely for their houses. In the boys' category, **Rubrus (Red)** claimed the championship, while **Prasinus (Green)** finished as runners-up after a spirited fight. The girls' matches were equally thrilling, with **Flavus (Yellow)** emerging victorious and **Prasinus (Green)** securing second place. The tournament highlighted teamwork, determination, and house pride, making it a memorable sporting event for all.



SENIOR FOOTBALL FINAL

Deens Academy Senior Football Finals – June 2, 2026

A Celebration of Skill, Spirit, and Sportsmanship

The Senior Football Finals held on June 2, 2026, were a true highlight of the school calendar. Students, teachers, and supporters gathered in full excitement to witness two gripping matches that showcased teamwork, determination, and the never-give-up spirit of our houses.



Girls' Final: Caeruleus (Blue) vs Flavus (Yellow)

The girls' final was a tense battle from start to finish. Both teams defended brilliantly, with goalkeepers Kaira (Flavus) and Janvi (Caeruleus) making crucial saves that kept the scoreline goalless even at full time. The match went into a dramatic penalty shootout, where Flavus held their nerve to win 3–2. Their resilience under pressure crowned them **Girls' Football Champions of 2026**, while Caeruleus earned admiration for their strong performance and fighting spirit.



Boys' Final: Prasinus (Green) vs Rubrus (Red)

The boys' final was equally thrilling. Prasinus and Rubrus played with sharp passing, relentless energy, and disciplined defending. Goalkeepers Anirudh (Prasinus) and Vihaan (Rubrus) were outstanding, keeping the score level until the end. In the penalty shootout, Anirudh's decisive save gave Prasinus a 4–3 victory, sparking celebrations among their supporters. With this win, Prasinus claimed the title of **Boys' Football Champions of 2026**, while Rubrus earned respect for their skill and sportsmanship.



School Spirit Shines Bright

The finals were more than just matches they were a celebration of Deens Academy's values: commitment, perseverance, and respect for the game. Every player gave their best, and the cheering crowd made the day unforgettable.

Champions 2026

Girls: Flavus (Yellow)
Boys: Prasinus (Green)

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