



NEWSLETTER



THE DPS CHRONICLE

ACADEMICS

- o School opening has been deferred till 1st week of August 2016.
- o Linkage meeting between Grade KG to 2 teachers was held in the primary sections and in the KG classrooms. All the teachers of respective classes attended the meeting and built a liaison with the previous and the current class teachers. The discussion on individual performance of the students from different levels was brought under attention. The concerns of the meeting were the curriculum, parents and the individual discussion on students that need special attention. The meeting has been successfully conducted with the cooperation of all the teachers.

TEACHERS' TRAINING WORKSHOP

- o The teacher training workshop was held at DPS STS School Dhaka from 17th – 19th July 2016. It was designed for the intensive dissemination of teaching methodologies and teaching principles. An exclusive edition is being put out covering the Teachers' Training Workshop.

MEETINGS WITHIN THE SCHOOL

CEO MR. PARVEZ SAIFUL VISITS DPS STS SCHOOL, DHAKA

CEO of STS Group Ltd., Mr. Parvez Saiful Islam visited the School several times regarding security issues of the School. He had extensive discussions with the Principal, Mr. Harsh Wal & Vice Principal Mrs. Madhu Wal.

OG CORPORATE SECURITIES & INVESTIGATIONS

Rene Picard & Philip Schweers from OG Corporate Securities & Investigations were invited to look into the security measures initiated by the School. They visited the School for a week to assist and suggest world class security initiatives.

BASIC FIRE SAFETY TRAINING -2016

On the 30th, Mr. M Mahmudur Rashid Managing Director of Grasshopper Corporation conducted a Fire Safety Training Workshop within School premises.



51 support staff members attended the training consisting of a Lecture Session, a Question / Answer Session and a Practical demonstration. It was a successful event and everyone was enlightened.

MEETINGS OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL

ONLINE SCHOOLS REGISTRATION SYSTEM (SRS)

Online Schools Registration System (SRS) was conducted by British council. Board Exam Coordinator Mr. Nurul Alam, Asst. Board Exam Coordinator Mr. Fazlul Haq, IT Manager Mr. Mostafizur Rahman & IT Executive Mr. Sajjad Shamim attended the training session. This training session will provide an improved Online Schools Registration System (SRS) for the upcoming Cambridge International Exams series.

SPORTS

CRICKET CAMP IN ENGLAND



From the 9th till the 24th, DPS STS School Dhaka sent 10 students from Grades 4 -8 along with Cricket Coach Mr. Neaz Morshed Nahid to England to participate in a Cricket and Study Camp under Oxford International Education Group. It was a delightful tour and the students were ecstatic about the whole trip. Initially they were staying at Christ Hospital School located in Horsham where they were taught English Grammar and also were given Master Classes in Cricket.

The tour was organized by Ms. Samira (CEO of Oxford International Education Group) as the Bangladeshi counterpart. By the end of the trip, DPS STS School students played a match with the Christ Hospital Team and DPS STS School lost by 1 wicket. Participating students were awarded certificates for English language and also Cricket. It was a very informative tour as students returned feeling enlightened and experienced. This tour helped shape their confidence, attitude and their academic endeavors. Throughout the tour, students displayed a very disciplined and systematic behavior and also attained a certain level of maturity through this experience.

A very special thanks to Principal Mr. Harsh Wal, Vice Principal Mr. Madhu Wal, Academic Dean Mr. Manoj Kumar and Sports HOD Mr. Aminul Islam for making this entire trip possible. Had it not been for their constant support and determination, this journey would not have been possible. Furthermore, all the help provided by the Admin and Account Personnel of DPS STS School Dhaka was also appreciated greatly.

TOURS

SUMMER TRIP TO CATS ACADEMY BOSTON USA

On the 9th of July, 2016, a group of nine students from DPS STS School Dhaka started for a summer program to the US at CATS Academy, Braintree, Massachusetts. The program was managed by MACES BD and it focused on preparing international students on university admissions in the US. The students took classes on entrance examinations such as the ACTs and SATs and worked on activities that improved their English language skills. Moreover, the students interacted with international students from Brazil, Ukraine, Russia and Lithuania. The students visited several Ivy League universities such as Harvard, MIT, Brown and Yale and learning about higher education in the US. They also had small group career counseling sessions with guidance counselors at CATS Academy and learned much about how to prepare and plan for achieving their career goals.

TRIP TO KUALA LUMPUR



On the 24th of July, 11 students departed for a 6-day trip in Malaysia, accompanied by teachers Jannatul Ferdous of the Chemistry department and Afsana Rifaya Hamid of the English department. The trip was organized by Mr. Imran Ahmed of Malaysian Universities Application Centre (MUAC).

The first three days, the students were acquainted with three universities in Malaysia- Xiamen University, KDU and UCSI. Workshops were conducted, more in the style of classroom lectures with some interaction, and university tours were given. Students found out about prerequisites for certain degree programs and now they will perhaps be better able to make future educational and career decisions. From the fourth day, there was more variation in the trip: there was an excursion to the famous Batu Caves after which everyone settled into a cabin in the woods followed by a story-telling session around a magnificent bonfire. The next day's itinerary consisted of a thrilling trek through the jungle, a fun-filled afternoon in Genting Highlands and finally a visit to the Petronas twin towers in KLCC, in the heart of Kuala Lumpur. The trip ended with a hearty shopping spree in Midvalley Megamall on the 30th of July after which everybody dashed for the airport. Overall, it was an adventure-packed, educational and exciting trip and the students thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

BERLIN, GERMANY AND POLAND TRIP - MICC 2016

The Model International Criminal Court or MICC is an opportunity for young law enthusiasts to participate in simulations of actual trials that are conducted under the actual guideline of the International Criminal Court (ICC).



The Kreisau-Initiative e.V. along with its Polish partner organization Fundacja Krzyzowa dla Porozumienia Europejskiego has been organizing this Program since 2005.

This year, high school students from 11 countries were extensively selected to participate in MICC. Bangladesh was one of the participating countries for the very first time. The selection process was carried out by an NGO named Onuronon. Taskin Eera of DPS STS School along with 4 other Bangladeshi high

school students were fortunate enough to be selected and we were accompanied by a chaperone to an all expense paid trip to Berlin, Germany and Krzyzowa, Poland kicking off on 20th May, 2016 to 30th May, 2016.

The programme consisted intensive trainings and workshops, followed by four exhilarating mock trials for which participants were trained to assume roles in a formal ICC court: Prosecutors, Defense Attorneys, Judges and Members of the Press.

Cases went back years to former Yugoslavia, Nazi Germany and Rwanda and examine the unfortunate Political Situation; and the dire task of prosecuting or defending individuals accused of perpetrating Crimes against Humanity, Genocide and War Crimes. It was interesting but to an extent, quite frustrating, especially for those who had to try and defend established Criminals.

For Taskin, attending MICC World was an incredible experience. She felt privileged enough to be given a glimpse into the world of Criminal Justice by brilliant trainers and interact with immensely clever individuals from all over the world who have interests similar. Taskin now reads incidents in a newspaper differently now, with the perspective of a prosecutor and no longer feels the need to kneel at the face of injustice. In the end, the system to protect rights may be faulty, but that does not change the fact that rights still exist and it is up to individuals to fix the system.

SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENTS

'REVIVING RAMADAN'

SCHOOL KIDS CONDUCT AN IFTAAR DRIVE FOR A 1000 UNDERPRIVILEGED CHILDREN



Last month, a total of 60 volunteers gathered together to feed the underprivileged men, women and children residing in the slums and streets of Uttara. They scoured the nooks and crannies of the various sectors, along with the foot over bridges, and handed all the unprivileged a warm packet of delicious food. "The heartwarming smiles on each of their faces truly made all the hard work worth it," said a fellow volunteer.

Reviving Ramadan 2016 was hosted by PaperBoat, which is an NGO founded by two students of DPS STS School; Afia Ibnat Samin (CEO) and Anzara Ausaf (HR Co-ordinator). PaperBoat's objective is to work together in unison to bring forth the change that our society so desperately seeks. They believe that through

hard work, dedication and persistence, anyone can accomplish their endeavors. The PaperBoat Team, with the help of the public, plans to enhance the quality of living of the poor through effective and sustainable projects and regular social work. They plan to eradicate the mentality of today's society which is so terribly, unrelentingly ignorant of the needy. PaperBoat wants to serve as the social walkway that bridges the gap between the privileged and the unprivileged.

With their successful debut event Reviving Ramadan 2016, they have managed to bless 1000 hungry mouths with a fulfilling meal. "The beautiful smile on their faces and the glint of gratitude in their eyes is what drives us really," said an organizer. Currently, the team consists of 6 members- Afia Ibnat Samin, Anzara Ausaf, Shoimya Chy, Rafeed Choudhury, Shivina Tasneem Ashley and Rashik Shams. Together, these people made it possible for 1000 hungry stomachs to be fed. The Team is overwhelmingly happy that they could successfully revive the mere essence of Ramadan; which is to love, to share, to put a smile on the faces of those who hardly ever get to do so. Paper Boat plans on expanding with its several upcoming projects very soon. Their main idea is to embark on a journey to pave the path to a better society; to bring about positive change for a brighter and more sustainable future.

SPECIAL QUIZ



Identify **ONE** known person from the photo below. A prize will be given for the first correct answer. Kindly send your response to emran.taher@dpsstsdhaka.org.

HOLIDAYS:

- The School is closed. All teachers and staff are coming for Curriculum planning, syllabus and classroom decorations.

FELICITATIONS:

- Ms. Rozina Yasmin, Social Studies Teacher has been blessed with a baby boy.