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DPS STS's Project Clementia Wins NASA Space Settlement Contest 2023



We are ecstatic to inform you that the design Project Clementia, prepared by six Grade 8 students of the DPS STS School Dhaka, has successfully won the international design competition "NASA Space Settlement Contest 2023." Project Clementia tied with an American school team's project to win the annual international design competition in the Grade 8 large group division. For context about how big this achievement is, there were 4,567 entries at this year's NASA Space Settlement Contest from 26,725 students hailing from 19 countries worldwide. The result of the competition usually comes out in the last week of March in the year of the competition.

The DPS STS Grade 8 students who prepared Project Clementia are Mohammad Mohaimin Uddin Naib, Md. Farzan Ali, Aayaat Gulfaam Mahmud, K A Adiyana Sadeque, Parikshit Singh, and Abrar Ehsan.

Another DPS STS project submission at the NASA Space Settlement Contest was prepared by seven Grade 7 students, and it was called Project Elysium. Both projects were submitted online on the AwardForce Platform of the National Space Society (NSS) within this year's deadline of 15th February 2023.

The programme coordinator for the DPS STS's project submissions at the NASA Space Settlement Contest was Mr. Ranjith S and subject-wise mentors were Mr. Shahed Bulbul Papon, Ms. Amena Dewan, Mr. Bishwanath Bhattachariya, Mr. Hans Ankur Byapari, and Mr. Ashish Chatterjee. It is due to the tireless support of the teachers, the students were able to achieve this amazing feat. Mr. Hans said that the project submission entailed work that is no less than a thesis, as the students had to prepare a 70-page submission in the space of two weeks.

The NASA Space Settlement Contest is a prestigious international space settlement design competition being held annually since 1994. In the competition, the participants are not given any other requirements besides the one which states that the submitted project must focus on a free space settlement concept. According to the details of the competition shared on the NSS website, 'settlements may not be on a planet or moon, although support activities such as mining might be part of the project. Settlements must be permanent homes, and not temporary work camps. Designs, original research, essays, stories, models, artwork, or any other orbital space settlement-related materials may be submitted. This competition is open for Grades 7-12 students and is sponsored by the NASA Ames Research Center and the National Space Society (NSS). More information about this contest can be found at this link: <https://space.nss.org/nss-space-settlement-contest/about-the-contest/>

To see the name of our students on the result page of the NASA Space Settlement Contest 2023, please go to this link: <https://space.nss.org/settlement/nasa/Contest/Results/2023/index.html>

We are proud of this incredible achievement by the DPS STS students, and we can now safely hope that our students may achieve more incredible feats in the fields of Astronomy and Space Settlement.

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The Daily Star Gives 22nd O' and A' Level Awards



73 DPS STS School Dhaka students received awards at the Daily Star's 22nd O' and A' Level Awards ceremony, held on 4th March 2023 at the Shaheed Shohrawardi Indoor Stadium, Mirpur. The awards were given to the DPS STS students for their outstanding performance in the Cambridge Assessment International Education (CAIE) board examinations held in the year 2022; 48 students received awards for obtaining an "A" grade or above in six or more IGCSE O' Level subjects, and 25 students received awards for achieving "A" grade or above in three or more GCE A' Level subjects.

Three of the 73 DPS STS students received special awards for achieving Outstanding Cambridge Learner Awards - 2022, which they received for achieving the highest marks in a particular subject in the entire country. Lamia Abdullah and Mashriq Afnan achieved the country's highest marks in the IGCSE O' Level subject Additional Mathematics, and Tasfia Ahmed achieved it in GCE A' Level Biology. Some of our students also performed in the cultural segment for this prestigious awards ceremony.



DPS STS Holds International Model United Nations



The sixth edition of the DPS Model United Nations (MUN) conference was held on the Senior School campus from the 9th to the 13th of March 2023. It was a four-day MUN conference, which kicked off with a lovely and colourful cultural program at the Senior School's auditorium on 9th March and ended with a Gala Night at the Ballroom of the Hotel Le Meridien Dhaka, on 13th March.

This year the DPS STS School Dhaka organised their annual MUN conference on an international scale, with delegates attending from foreign schools as well. Therefore, the sixth edition of the DPS STS MUN was called and referred to with the acronym DPSIMUN VI. Close to 2000 people signed up when the registration opened, however, considering the experience and overall suitability of the applicants, around 700 delegates were shortlisted and invited to the conference. There were students from schools such as Cibola High School (US), Yew Chung International School of Shanghai (China), Scholastica, Sunbeams, Aga Khan School, Sir John Wilson School, Sunnysdale, St. Joseph Higher Secondary School, Viqarunnisa Noon School and College, Holy Cross College and others.

The special guests of the opening ceremony were dignitaries such as the Coordinator of the UN Bangladesh Resident Office Ms. Fahmida Sultana and the Operations Manager of UN Women in Bangladesh Ms. Reshma Khan Zaman. The Principal of the DPS STS School Dhaka Dr. Shivananda CS gave the opening remarks. Speeches were also given by student representatives from the organising committee of the conference, the Head of the English Department of Senior Section and the MUN Coordinator Mr. M Shamim Hosen. The ceremony was interspersed with songs and dances performed by the students.

On the second day, the delegates wore cultural attire, and a special event called *Aloy Akaash Mela* was organized by the DPS STS students. The event featured performances by the bands Auvro The Band and Ograjjo. A few stalls providing popular street snacks of Bangladesh were also arranged on the volleyball ground, decorated with a large design like a canopy of colourful ribbons and lanterns. On the third day, the massively popular and iconic rock band of Bangladesh Nemesis performed for the MUN participants. There were lots of food and beverage stalls in the school for the benefit of the Delegates during the first three days of the event, in which committee sessions were held. And as always the Gala event of the MUN, which was attended by all the high officials of the school, was conducted so beautifully at the Hotel Le Meridien Dhaka, that it may remain permanently etched in the memories of all the delegates who attended the sixth edition, but first international, DPS STS Model United Nations.

Warfaze, Miles and Karnival Rocks DPS STS Rock Fest 3.0



The DPS STS Rock Fest 3.0 was held on 4th March 2023, at the football ground of the Senior School campus with great success.

The concert started with the performance of Bae by Scholastica Mirpur students who played a cover of Bon Jovi's *It's my life*. They were followed by the bands Majhpoth, Rockfish (by Rajuk School and College students), and HammerHeads (by Sir John Wilson School students). Among the school bands, HammerHeads got the loudest cheers for their performance of *Tumi ki shara dibe*, with the crowd asking for more songs from them. They were followed by a band reuniting after 19 years called Drafted, who covered U2's *With Or Without You*.

After these performances, the headlining bands of this year's Rock Fest performed for the fully occupied concert ground. First Warfaze rocked the socks of the students and parents, with performances of their famous tracks *Purnota* and *Joto Durey Thako* and a few others. They also performed covers of Guns N Roses's *Sweet Child O Mine* and Michael Jackson's *Beat It*. Then Miles took the stage and rocked the crowd, filled with many nostalgic teachers and parents, with tracks such as *Neela*, *Dhiki Dhiki Alo Jole*, and *Firiye Dao*. They also played an amazing cover of Bryan Adams's *Summer of 69*. Finally, the DPS STS Rock Fest 3.0 was brought to an end by a mesmerising performance of original tracks of psychedelic rock by the band Karnival.

This year's DPS STS Rock Fest 3.0 was title sponsored by Shaheda Higher Education Consultancy, and closely supported by K'a'rcher, Vintage Engineering Limited, Bravat, Aqua Paints, Shopnodhara Asset Developments Ltd., Shopno Tour and Bank Asia.

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Senior School Celebrates Pohela Boishakh of Bengali Year 1430

The DPS STS School Dhaka's Senior School campus celebrated Pohela Boishakh of 2023, to welcome the Bengali New Year 1430, with a lovely cultural programme held on 20th March 2023 at the Senior School Auditorium. Since 14th April, the date for celebrating Pohela Boishakh falls in the middle of the Holy Month of Ramadan this year, the Senior School celebrated Pohela Boishakh well in advance.

The colourful event was organised by the students of Senior School and the Dean of Activities Ms. Shalini Agarwalla in a very short space of time and featured performances such as a mashup of many songs, various cultural dances and a lovely fashion show put together by the students. The event was brought to a close by performances of two highly popular Bangla songs by the music teachers of the Senior School campus. The Senior School Auditorium was filled to the brim, and the students raucously cheered for every performance.



DPS STS Wins BIT Inter-School Football Tournament



The under-16 football team of the DPS STS School Dhaka successfully won the BIT Inter-school Numair Choudhury Memorial Cup Football Tournament 2023 on Friday, 3rd March 2023. It was a 10-team highly competitive tournament, and our star footballers defeated teams from South Breeze School, HurdcO, Mastermind and BIT (Bangladesh International Tutorial) on their way to the title run. Our under-16 football team is comprised of Rafin Bin Faisal (10A), Akhyar Huq (10C), Inan Rahman Shadid (9A), Ali Ayman Izhar (10C), Md. Jubaer Rahman Mahi (9D), Zaarif Kabir (9E), Tahmid Ahnaf (10B), Arham Mashfiq Ahmed (9F), Astab Omar Ador (9C), Rejwan Ahmed Reham (10E), Adib Hasan Yasin (9E), Rayatnur Rahman Ahnaf (9E), Abrar Aryan (9D), and Md. Ishmam Hossain Khan (9F).

Daanyaal Haroon Receives Scholarship



With great pleasure, we announce that Daanyaal Haroon has received a scholarship of \$20,000, to be distributed over four years of his study at Dalhousie University - Nova Scotia, Canada. The scholarship is titled Dalhousie Global Scholar Award, and it is awarded to a select number of highly accomplished students as an early entrance award. We are very proud of his achievement, and we wish him great success in all his future endeavours.

DPS STS Under-16 Boys Football Team Wins Another Trophy



Here are the names of our champions: Rafin Bin Faisal (Captain) 10A, Akhyar Haq 10C, Ali Ayman Izhar 10C, Tahmid Ahnaf 10B, Abrar Aryan 9E, Rejwan Ahmed Reham 10F, Adib Hasan Yasin 9E, Astab Omar 9D, Jubaer Rahman Ahnaf 9E, Rayatnur Rahman Ahnaf 9E, Inan Rahman Shadid 9A, Zaarif Kabir 9E, Raiyan Kabir 10C

The DPS STS School Dhaka's Under-16 Boys' Football Team has another trophy in March by winning a football tournament held on Thursday, 9th March 2023, at the Mirpur 14 Police Lines Ground.

DPS STS was grouped with Chittagong Grammar School Dhaka and Sir John Wilson School (SJWS) in Group A. In the semi-finals, DPS STS defeated Sunnydale. In the final, DPS STS faced SJWS again and drew the match. However, DPS STS triumphed in the tiebreaker with a score of 6-5. Grade 9's Adib Hasan Yasin achieved the "Best Goalkeeper Of the Tournament" award, Grade 10's Akhyar Huq was given the "Most valuable player of the tournament," and Ali Ayman Izhar was given the "Top scorer of the tournament" awards respectively.

Mahjabeen Islam Gets FIDE rating of 1180



Mahjabeen Islam, a student of Grade 5C of the DPS STS School Dhaka, has achieved an International FIDE rating of 1180. On her way to such a career-high rating, she participated in "Begum Laila Alam 13th FIDE Rated Women's Chess Tournament" and "Chess Track 1st Standard Rating Tournament;" both held in February 2023. Finally, she became the Girl's Champion for Grades 5-6 category (individual) at the DPS STS Inter-School Chess Tournament 2023 held in the first week of March 2023. Mahjabeen was undefeated during her title run.

DPS STS Junior School Wins Inter-School Cricket Championship



The DPS STS School Dhaka won the Junior School Cricket Tournament, which was held on 10th March 2023 at the Sector 4 field of Uttara. The Principal of DPS STS Dr. Shivananda CS was the chief guest at the event. Notable schools that participated in this tournament include Sunnydale and South Breeze besides the two teams from DPS STS Junior School. DPS STS Team A defeated Sunnydale in the finals and won the championship. Muhammad Isfar Khan of Grade 4 became the Player of the Match.



Faiyaz Siddiquee's Many Achievements at Various Subject-wise Olympiads

DPS STS School Dhaka's Grade 8E student Faiyaz Siddiquee regularly participates in various subject-wise Olympiads, and frequently wins the competitions or brings prizes from them.

Recently, he has become champion at the Bangladesh Biology Olympiad of Dhaka South Regional Round 2023. Faiyaz also became the National Winner at Bangladesh Olympiad on Astronomy and Astrophysics National Round 2023. Furthermore, he became the Divisional Topper and the Green-Day Training Participant at Bangladesh National Earth Olympiad (NEO) 2023. Then he secured a Bronze award at the Inter-School Bangla Olympiad 2022, held at the International Mother Language Institute Auditorium on 18th March 2023. Finally, Faiyaz won the title of 'National Champion' in the National Round of Bangladesh Physics Olympiad 2023 (Category B). The event was held at Dhaka University on the 3rd and 4th of March of 2023.



Tahan Tazwar Galib Wins Silver In Taekwondo

Tahan Tazwar Galib, of Grade 2 at the DPS STS School Dhaka, has won a silver medal in the Taekwondo competition held on 18th March 2023 at the Sultana Kamal Krira Complex, Dhanmondi, honouring the birth anniversary of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman.



Shahamat Wins at Taekwondo

Shahamat Sayfan Ahnaf from Grade 5 of the DPS STS School Dhaka participated in the final round of the "Sheikh Kamal 2nd Bangladesh Youth Games 2023" in Taekwondo discipline, which was held from 26th to 28th February 2023. Shahamat has been awarded a silver medal and a certificate for his achievement in the Poomse Pair category of Taekwondo discipline.



Abrar Ehsan's Achievements at Earth and Biology Olympiads



Sl	ID	Name	Educational In
1	9982	Abida Zaman	British Columbia
2	10792	Abrar Ehsan	DPS STS School,
3	10350	Abtahee Moontaka Sahira Luipa	Birshreshtha Noc (BNMPC), Dhaka
4	10204	Adiba Amira Siddiqia	Mastermind Engl
5	10160	Adnan Bin Alamgir	Dhaka Residentie
6	10068	Afnan Jahan	Begum Badrunne
7	9951	Afnan Khan Utsho	Manikganj Gover
8	11569	Ahammad Naim	Dhaka City Colleg

Abrar Ehsan, a student of Grade 8C of the DPS STS School Dhaka, achieved the Divisional Topper position at the Dhaka round of the National Earth Olympiad, and he has been chosen for the National Round and Green Day Training (GDT), a specially designed environmental leadership workshop, to be held at the North South University.

Abrar has also won the 1st Runners-up award at Bangladesh Biology Regional Olympiad held at the Sher-e-Bangla Agriculture University on 3rd March 2023. He has also been chosen for the National Circular event, which will take place on 2nd May 2023. We are very proud of his achievements.



DPS STS Students' Achievements in Mental Arithmetic of ALOHA

The students of DPS STS School Dhaka frequently earn a lot of achievements in mental arithmetic competitions organised by ALOHA Bangladesh. Here are the names of the DPS STS students who achieved certificates and/or prizes in either the 15th National Abacus and Mental Arithmetic Competition, held on 24th February at International Convention City Bashundhara, or the 1st Convocation Ceremony held on 25th February 2023 at the Krishibid Institution Bangladesh:

- Grade 1: Syed Alif Wasil Adrian, Farzad Wadud
- Grade 2: Tausifun Nabi Ayaz
- Grade 4: Redowan Araf Drubo, Tasbih Ibn Hafiz, and Tanvi Alam Rihan
- Grade 5: S.A. Thenuk Geevin
- Grade 10: Arika Afrin

DPS STS School Dhaka Wins Badminton Championship at ISD



The DPS STS School Dhaka's Boys Badminton team won the championship at the badminton tournament held at International School Dhaka (ISD) on Friday, 3rd March 2023. Aside from DPS STS and ISD in the four-team tournament, there were also Canadian International School (CIS) and Grace International School (GIS).

The DPS STS Boy's Badminton Team was made up of Md Iftekhar Mahmud of Grade 7D, Farhan Uzzaman Rean, Fakrur Ahmed Shomik, Sadikur Rahman, and Aurnob Bhoumik from Grade 7E, Al Tahmid and Al Juhair from Grade 8C, and Sadid Khan Supto from Grade 7C, who also served as the captain for the team.



On the same day, the girl's football team of the DPS STS School Dhaka also participated in a girls' football tournament held at ISD, in which the DPS STS competed with CIS, GIS, and ISD. The DPS STS Girl's Football team came in third out of the four teams, in what was a highly competitive tournament, as they could not reach the finals on a goal margin of just two goals.

Fabiha Afaf Wins Bronze

Grade 7B student Fabiha Afaf of the DPS STS School Dhaka received a bronze medal and prize money in the Essay Writing Competition at the 12th Inter-School Bangla Olympiad organized by the International Hope School Dhaka. Fabiha came in 3rd in the competition, which was held on 25th February 2023, and received her prizes at the Closing and Gala event held on 18th March 2023.



Apsara Participates in Bangla Olympiad

DPS STS School Dhaka's Grade 6 student Apsara Sargam achieved 3rd position for poetry recitation at the Inter-School Bangla Olympiad 2023 organised by International Hope School Bangladesh on 25th February 2023.



DPS STS Basketball Team Participates at Pledge Harbour



The DPS STS School Dhaka's Basketball Team participates in the Pledge Harbor International School Basketball Tournament - 2023 held on 10th March 2023. In a highly competitive tournament, which was held at the Pledge Harbour School's campus in Gazipur, our team won one match out of three. They beat Aga Khan Academy School Dhaka on a scoreline of 12-07.



Liyana Recites Poem for 21st Feb

Liyana Ansharah Ahmed Aritri of Grade 1 at the DPS STS School Dhaka recited a poem to honour the language martyrs on 21st February 2023 at Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy. She recited *Ekush Agun Ronger Pakhi*.

DPS STS School Dhaka Holds Inter-school Chess Tournament



The DPS STS School Dhaka organised an inter-school chess tournament on the 3rd and 4th of March 2023. Bangladesh's National Chess Team Captain and Fide Instructor Masudur Rahman Mallick, who is also an international organiser of chess tournaments all around the world and the chess coach at DPS STS School Dhaka, was the organiser of this competition. In the opening ceremony, the chief guest was Bangladesh's Woman International Master Rani Hamid and the special guest was Deputy Secretary at the Ministry of Youth and Sports Shahana Sultana. In the closing and prize-giving ceremony, the chief guest was Bangladesh's Grandmaster Reefat Bin Sattar. DPS STS School Dhaka's Head of Senior School Tarana Majid Ahmed and the Director of Sports Vishal Taunk also attended the chess tournament.

In total 234 participants from 14 schools participated in the tournament, which had both individual and team participation categories. Aside from DPS STS students, participants came from schools such as Scholastica, Chittagong Grammar School, South Breeze School, and a few more leading institutions in Dhaka. Here are the names of the top three rank holders from each category of the chess tournament held at the DPS STS School Dhaka's Junior School campus:

Team Category:

The Girl's Team Championship was won by DPS STS Red School Chess Team, and DPS STS Green School Chess Team came in third, while South Breeze School was second. The Boys Team Championship was also won by DPS STS Red School Chess Team, and South Breeze School and Scholastica Uttara came in 2nd and 3rd respectively.

Individual Category:

Girls of Grades 1-2:

1st: Ishayna Pihu
 2nd: Junaira Islam Jaifa
 3rd: Jannah Yasser Khan

Girls of Grades 5-6:

1st: Mahjabeen Islam
 2nd: Farzin Dara Chowdhury
 3rd: Monali Misra

Boys of Grades 1-2:

1st: Nilav Kumar Gupta
 2nd: Arjon Saha
 3rd: Rafsan Shabib

Boys of Grades 5-6:

1st: Kazi Afsan Rawnak Anan
 2nd: Zaim Mahmud*
 3rd: Noohan Mir Ruwwad

Boys of Grades 3-4:

1st: Oitijio Barua*
 2nd: Md Faizan Ali
 3rd: Ajmain Fayek

Girls of Grades 7-8:

1st: Jasia Hossain
 2nd: Dibbayangana Biswas
 3rd: Fabiha Anwar Rudaba

Girls of Grades 9-12:

1st: Sithuli Ruwanya Karunagada
 2nd: Syeda Nusaiba Mahmud
 3rd: Shamaila Jahan

Boys of Grades 9-12:

1st: Marzouq Chowdhury
 2nd: Rameen Ahmed
 3rd: Ayman Ahmed



* Only the categories in which DPS STS students won have been mentioned, and the star mark students are from different institutions.

DPS STS Inter-School Table Tennis Tournament 2023 Held

The DPS STS Inter-school Table Tennis Tournament 2023 was held on the 3rd and 4th of March 2023 at the Junior School campus. In total 10 schools participated.



Best Players Award for Boys Table Tennis was a tie between Kavya Tak from Grade 9 and Aranya Adhikary from Grade 8. The best Players Award for Girls Table Tennis was won by Rajanna Banik.



Inter-House Gymnastics

The DPS STS Junior School Boys and Girls Inter-House Gymnastics Competition 2022-2023 was held on the 15th of March 2023 at the Junior School campus. Students from Grades 1 to 4 participated in the competition as per the four Houses – Ruby, Topaz, Sapphire, and Emerald.

DPS STS School Dhaka Wins Inter-School Basketball Tournament

We are ecstatic to announce that the DPS STS School Dhaka won the DPS STS Inter-School Basketball Tournament for the 2022-2023 academic year held at the Senior School campus from 16th to 18th March 2023. The ten-team Boys' basketball tournament had teams from Rajuk School and College, Scholastica, Maple Leaf, Sunnydale, Pledge Harbor, Excel Academy and International Hope School. DPS STS School's Boys' Basketball team beat the team from Scholastica in the final. The Most Valuable Player for the Boys Tournament was awarded to Aamir Akbar from DPS STS. Unfortunately, despite a valiant effort, DPS STS Girl's Basketball Team ended their run in the semifinals.

In the Opening Ceremony of the basketball tournament, the chief guest was the DPS STS School Dhaka's Principal Dr. Shivananda CS, and the Guests of Honour were Mr. Soyab Khan and Mr. Mithun Kumar Biswas, who are the current and former Captain of the Bangladesh National Basketball Team respectively. The opening ceremony commenced with the Principal cutting a ceremonial ribbon and then delivering an uplifting speech to encourage the players and declaring the tournament open.

In the closing ceremony, the Head of the Senior School of the DPS STS School Dhaka, Ms. Tarana Majid Ahmed, Mr. Soyab Khan, the Director of Sports Mr. Vishal Taunk, and the Head of Sports in Senior School Mr. Aminul Islam handed out the prizes.



DPS STS Primary Students Participate in CSC Quiz Competition



On the 14th and 15th of March 2023, DPS STS students of Grades 1 – 4 participated in a Computer Science Quiz competition's final round. The competition was held in a computer lab and was highly competitive. The students participated with great enthusiasm and the top three quiz participants from each Grade were awarded a certificate.

DPS STS Bangla Essay Competition 2022-2023 Winners' List

The DPS STS School Dhaka's Bangla Essay Competition for students of Grades 5-8 in the Academic Session 2022-2023 was held successfully. This essay competition was undertaken to allow the DPS STS students to practice and improve their creative writing skills in Bangla. We are very proud of the winners, whose names are given below:

WINNERS OF DPS STS BANGLA ESSAY COMPETITION 2022-2023

POSITION	GRADE - 5	GRADE - 6
1 st	Safwan Ahmed Khan, 5F EMERALD	Sadman Tasin 6G Ruby
2 nd	Sumera Nuzhat, 5F SAPPHIRE	Md. Ishtiaq Ahmed Bhuiyan 6D Sapphire
3 rd	Rimsha Eshal, 5F Topaz	Afseen Farha 6D Sapphire

POSITION	GRADE - 7	GRADE - 8
1 st	Jasia Hossain 7A Topaz	Md. Faiyaz Siddiquee 8E Emerald
2 nd	Mehbuba Binte Azam Orion 7G Sapphire	Nayeera Farhin Choudhury 8B Ruby
3 rd	Fabiha Afaf 7B Sapphire Afraaz Kamal 7F Sapphire	Kamela Kawsary Anmol 8D Sapphire

HEARTIEST CONGRATULATIONS!

Essay Writing Competition 2022-2023 at Senior School

On the 13th of February 2023, the DPS STS School Senior School conducted an Essay Writing Competition for the students of Grade 9. Students were given 35 minutes to write essays on given topics. Section-wise results were given, where from each section top three students qualified as 1st, 2nd and 3rd best essay writers.



Dhaka Bank's Session on Financial Literacy for Grade 9 Students



The DPS STS School Dhaka arranged a session on Financial Literacy for the students of Grade 9 on 14th March 2023 from 12:30 pm to 1:15 pm. The session featured a presentation on financial literacy and effective saving practices conducted by the Executive Vice President and Head of Retail Business of the Dhaka Bank Limited H. M. Mostafizur Rahaman. In the session, the students listened with rapt attention about the importance of saving, and ways banks can help with developing a practice of saving from an early age. The students enthusiastically listened to the session and participated in the Q&A following the presentation. Some of the students received gifts from Dhaka Bank for correctly answering questions from the presentation by Mr. Mostafizur.

Presentation on Types of Pollution by KG2 Students



Young learners of KG-II presented their projects on 'Types of Pollution' during a 'Show and Tell' session in their Global Perspectives (GP) class. They made their projects based on the types, causes, effects, and solutions of pollution. After the individual presentations in the classrooms, all KG-II projects were displayed in the corridor so that everyone can see them.

Bangabandhu's Birth Celebration & Children's Day Art Exhibition



On the 17th of March 2023 in lieu of the National Children's Day and the 103rd Birth Anniversary of the Father of the Nation, Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, an art exhibition and cultural programme was organized by Bangabandhu Shishu Kishore Mela in collaboration with the DPS STS School Dhaka. The event was titled *Globally Bangabandhu* and was hosted at the Baridhara DOHS Convention Centre where foreign students of DPS STS School Dhaka participated in a vibrant art exhibition. The programme was moderated by Senior English Faculty Mr. Emran Jamshed Taher and the overall supervision was by the Senior School's Head of the Art Department Mr. Nasiruddin Ripon, and teachers Ms. Subhasree Sarker and Ms. Monira Hossain Mitu from the Junior School. The special guests were Mr. Iqbal Sobhan Chowdhury, Chief Advisor of Bangabandhu Shishu Kishore Mela and Former Media Advisor for the Prime Minister of Bangladesh, and Bir Muktiyoddha and Ekushe Padak Awardee, Dr. Manoranjan Ghoshal.



Classroom Activity to Celebrate Bangabandhu's Birth Anniversary



On 16th March 2023 during Bangla class, students of Grades 1-4 observed the 103rd birth anniversary of the Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and National Children's Day 2023 in a small classroom activity. In the activity, the students came to know about Bangabandhu's childhood and also got aware of children's rights.

Zaara Wins Art Competition

Junainah Ahmed Zaara, a student of Grade 1 at the DPS STS School Dhaka, won the 1st prize in the Art Competition held on 17th March 2023. The competition was organised by Uttara Sector 5 Welfare Association for the occasion of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman's 103rd Birth Anniversary and Children's Day.



Newspaper Club

The DPS STS Newspaper Club's projects "Article write-up 1.0" and "Your daily news" have drawn interest from the following aspiring writers of Grades 5, 6 & 7 during the assembly on 16th March 2023: 5A - Reehan Taswar Islam, Mrihat Musarrat Zahra, Namirah Sirat Sabreen (5D), Nur E Jannat Bhuiyan (5F), Sadman Tasin (6G), 7A - Aisha Afsara Yasmin, Jasia Hossain, Amreen Rasheed (7D), Aratrika Banik (7E), 7F - Rajanna Banik, Shahrin Mobarat Zaima, and Siniva Parin Farid.

Separate Group Discussions for Grade 3 & 4 Boys and Girls on 'Dealing with Changes of Early Puberty'



Considering the importance of being aware of the changes to one's mind and body during early puberty, the pastoral counsellors of the DPS STS School Dhaka organised discussion sessions for the students of Grades 3 and 4. Since the discussion was on puberty, separate sessions were conducted for male and female students.

Junior School's Pastoral Counselor Ms. Tahneena Mehreinn conducted group discussions with the girls of Grades 3 and 4 to educate them about the changes in body and mind during puberty, and ways to deal with them. These sessions took place on Sunday 12th March and Monday 13th March 2023, at the Main Hall of the Junior School campus. The Pastoral Counselor of the Senior School Mr. Prottay Chaki conducted group discussions with the boys of Grades 3 and 4 on Sunday 19th March and Monday 20th March 2023, at the same venue. Ms. Tahneena Mehreinn was overall in-charge of the sessions.

Adventurous Journey Under The Duke of Edinburgh's Award

The DPS STS School Dhaka organised an amazing adventurous trip for their students under the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Programme. The venue for the trip was Mati'ta, Bhatiari, Chattogram, and it took place from 14th to 17th March 2023. The trip was designed to challenge the participants both mentally and physically and to equip them with basic survival techniques.



Gold, Silver and Bronze level participants of Grades 8-12 were participants in this trip, in which they stayed in weatherproof tents; boys and girls were lodged separately. Students who are not part of the Duke of Edinburgh programme were also able to participate in this trip through new enrolment.



Students participated in the following activities: community service, campsite setup, zip lines, Mati-Ta emergency and safety course, Eco literacy, community-forest cleaning, tree top activities, on-ground activities, obstacle field activity, and sports. The students enjoyed the trip.

The Escorting/Coordinating teachers for the trip were Mr. Wahidul Islam, Ms. Kaniz Murshed, Ms. Naureen Basher, and Mr. Rafsan Jani. The Tour in-charges were Mr. Fazlul Haq and Mr. Rajesh Podder. Both Mr. Fazlul and Mr. Rajesh also attended a "Work-in-Group Conference" organised by the Duke of Edinburgh's International Award Program 2023 from 5th to 8th March 2023. The venue was in Chattogram and Cox's Bazar.

DPS STS students attend Education Fair at Westin, The University of Ottawa visits school



The Career Counselling Office of the DPS STS School Dhaka took students of Grades 10-12 to the Eduko Education Fair held on Thursday, 2nd March 2023. The event, held in Westin Dhaka, was organised to facilitate international education and academic networking for Bangladeshi students. Eduko Pathways has organised the fair, where around 100 universities from the US, Canada, UK, Australia and Malaysia have set up booths, to provide an opportunity for students interested in studying abroad to interact with representatives from the universities of their choice. The DPS STS career counsellors Tahmina Sultana and Masum Chowdhury guided the students to visit the many university booths that were set up at the fair and suggested questions they could ask about their university application. Two teachers of the DPS STS School Dhaka, Fahria Rahman and Touhidul Islam, also participated in the event to guide the students.

Aside from this the University of Ottawa also visited the DPS STS School Dhaka on Monday 6th March 2023. The university representatives focused on programs that the university is offering, tuition, campus life, student services, possible scholarship opportunities, career options after graduation, and potential collaborations with the DPS STS. The University of Ottawa is among the top 1% universities in the world as well as one of the top 10 research-intensive universities in Canada and is ranked as the 25th most sustainable university in the world, that runs its 5th largest CO-OP programs in Canada with 96% placement rate.

Grade 7 Field Trip to The National Martyrs' Memorial, Savar



The Grade 7 students were taken on a field trip to the National Martyrs' Memorial at Savar on Saturday, 18th February 2023. The students visited the main structure and the artificial lake and took several photos enthusiastically. The National Monument mesmerised the students with its 150 feet' highest plate, majestically rising towards the sky when seen from the front. From the side, the parabolic drama morphs into seven progressively rising triangles. The serene environment, the majestic view, and the calm lake kept the students in awe. Later, the students settled down and wrote a few lines in both English and Bangla about their experience of visiting such a sight. The overall, In-charge of this field trip were Ms. Tahmina Binte Aziz and Ms. Nusrat Jahan.

Grade 9 Visits Atomic Research Centre, National Institute of Biotechnology



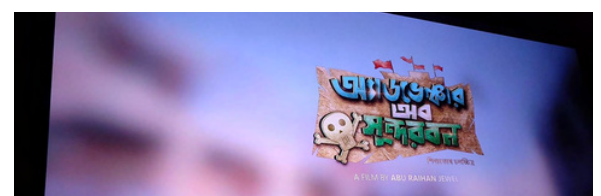
The DPS STS School Dhaka organized a field trip to the Atomic Research Centre and National Institute of Biotechnology - both located at Savar, Dhaka - for grade 9 students on Wednesday, 1st March 2023. The purpose of the trip was to provide students with insight into real-life applications of science and the research conducted locally. The students were accompanied by their grade science teachers.

The students on arrival at the facility of the Atomic Energy Research Establishment were given a brief introduction to the history of the centre. Students were taken to different laboratory infrastructures present. The tour was conducted by different officials responsible for the assigned labs. After each brief a short Q&A session was conducted to test if the students were absorbing the knowledge being imparted to them.

Upon arriving at the facility of the National Institute of Biotechnology (NIB), the students were given a brief introduction to the centre and the eight laboratories present. The students were then taken to different labs where they had interactive sessions with the instructors. They also saw some of the research being done in the field of Biotechnology.

Grades 3-4 Goes on Film Field Trip

The DPS STS School Dhaka arranged a film-watching field trip at Blockbuster Movie Theatre of Jamuna Future Park on Saturday, 4th March 2023 for the students of Grades 3 and 4. Bongo has recently released its very first full-length Bengali feature film named *Adventure of Sundarbans*. This is the first family and children-centric film in Bangladesh in 27 years after *Dipu Number Two*. *Adventure of Sundarbans* was written by Dr. Zafar Iqbal, one of the most famous authors and educationalists in Bangladesh. The students enjoyed the film a great deal.



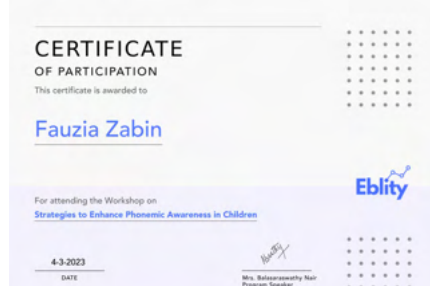
DPS STS Teachers Certificates from March 2023



You have been nominated for the Cambridge Dedicated Teacher Awards from Cambridge University Press.

Thank you for your dedication to the profession of teaching.

Peter Phillips
Peter Phillips
 Chief Executive



The DPS STS teachers continue to attain more skills and get certified for them, just as they always do when they are not teaching your child. March 2023 has been one of those months, in which many DPS STS teachers received certificates for acquiring new skills or for completing a new course.

Five teachers received certificates for attending the Inclusion Symposium held at the International School Dhaka (ISD) on 3rd March 2023. The symposium had very informative sessions such as Establishing the Inclusive classroom, Life Coaching Skills, The Power of Words, Inclusion Through Play, Cooperative Learning for Student Engagement, and many other highly educational sessions. The teachers are Ms. Fauzia Zabin, Ms. Nahida Sultana, Ms. Syeada Sanzid Prome, Ms. Nishat Ashraf Khan, and Ms. Khadija-Tul-Kobra.

Ms. Fauzia also received a certificate for attending a workshop on "Strategies to Enhance Phonemic Awareness in Children." She has also been nominated for Cambridge Dedicated Teacher Award.

Ms. Syeada also received certificates for attending a training on "Developing Life Skills in Early Years" from Saamarthy Teachers Training Academy of Research (STTAR), and for completing EYFS Teaching Diploma. And Ms. Khadija received a certificate from STTAR for "Coding in Early Years."

IHSB Football Tournament



DPS STS School Dhaka participated in IHSB Football Tournament on 17th February 2023. DPS STS played three qualifying rounds against IHSB Gulshan, BISC and IHSB UTTARA. DPS STS won the match against IHSB Gulshan and the result was 1-0. Although the team lost the other two matches, they showed a lot of promise and surely will bring glory in the upcoming matches.

DPS STS's Evacuation Drills



The DPS STS School Dhaka believes in keeping the students, teachers, admin and support staff members prepared for any emergencies, such as a sudden accidental fire in the premises, or a natural disaster such as an earthquake. Therefore, the school regularly holds evacuation drills to make the students familiar with the emergency exits and protocols. Therefore, the Junior School held a fire evacuation drill on 14th March 2023. All the students from Playgroup to Grade 4 were led by their teachers in an orderly fashion to outside the school campus. A fire drill was also held in the Senior School for the students of Grades 5-12 on 7th March 2023.

Commerce Field Trip of Grade 9



Commerce Students of Grade 9 have completed an exciting Field Trip at Green Smart Shirts Ltd. Sreepur, Gazipur on 22nd March 2023. Students gained practical experiences in business products, product development, operation, finance, human resource management, corporate culture, and the importance of women empowerment. This trip helped them relate classroom lessons with the real life experience.

Irin Sultana Wins Award for Triathlon



The DPS STS School Dhaka's teacher Ms. Irin Sultana received an award from the Bangladesh Triathlon Association for being the first woman Triathlon player in Bangladesh's history. A triathlon is an endurance multi-sport race consisting of swimming, cycling, and running over various distances. It is a demanding sport that requires a high level of physical fitness and mental toughness.

Fatema Tuj Jannat's Research Paper Published

With great pride, we announce that one of the English Department teachers of the DPS STS School Dhaka has successfully co-authored and published a research paper titled "Sonority across Languages: A Contrastive Perspective on the Mutual Learnability of Spanish and English Front Pure Vowels". The research paper provides a contrastive perspective on the front monophthongs in Spanish and English, and it was published on the University of Liberal Arts Bangladesh (ULAB) website. The paper can be read from this link: <https://deh.ulab.edu.bd/publications/crossings/crossings-archive/2022-vol-13-no-2/haqueandjannat>

Shayor Khan Accepted at University of California, Berkeley

With great pride, we announce that our Grade 12 student Shayor Khan has been accepted at the University of California, Berkeley. This prestigious institution, founded in 1868, is currently ranked 27 in the QS World University Rankings.

We are not at all surprised that Shayor, who is one of the best school debaters in the entire country and a member of Team Bangladesh for the upcoming World School's Debating Championship in Vietnam, got accepted at such a high-ranking university. We are so proud of him. Onwards and Upwards!!!



Mr. Saidur Gets Microsoft Certified



Md. Saidur Rahman, the Assistant Manager of IT at the DPS STS School Dhaka's Senior School campus has been officially recognised as a Microsoft Certified Trainer by Microsoft company. This is a prestigious certification only held by very few experts in the country. We are so proud of Mr. Saidur!

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- FOOTBALL
- BASKETBALL
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- FOOTBALL
- CRICKET
- BASKETBALL
- CHESS
- BADMINTON
- SWIMMING
- TABLE TENNIS
- ART
- DEBATE
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DPS STS School Dhaka celebrates International Women's Day 2023

The DPS STS School Dhaka celebrated International Women's Day on two separate occasions in the month of March. The Junior School organised a small Meet & Greet Event on Thursday, 9th March 2023, at the auditorium to celebrate the day. At the event, songs were performed by the music teacher Mr. Taki Yasir Nierzhar. There was a poem and a song mashup by the In-Charge of the Sports Department at Junior School Mr. Romel Rasha Gomes and DPS STS Event Coordinator Ms. Naza Binte Asif. A special video for all Junior School female teachers and Staff was prepared by Ms. Naza. At the Meet & Greet Event flowers and gifts were distributed by all male teachers and staff to the female teachers, admin team and support staff members.

The Senior School campus also celebrated International Women's Day on Sunday, 12th March 2023. In the celebration, the women of the Senior School campus wore different shades of purple, the colour of International Women's Day. The Dean of Activities Ms. Shalini Agarwalla presented a flower and a small purple gift pouch to all the female teachers, administration team members, and support staff members of the Senior School campus, including the female Section Heads and Deans of the Senior School.



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