



## Celebrating our Unity In Diversity

**D**elhi School of Excellence, Attapur recently organised a cultural fete, 'Cultural Carnival — A mélange of Joy and Reverence' based on the theme 'Unity in Diversity'.

The program began with a prayer followed by a breath-taking performance by the students of class II who played the drums. India believes in the concept of 'Unity in Diversity', which describes a sense of oneness despite physical and

psychological barriers. People across the nation live in unity irrespective of the different religions, communities, castes, languages and lifestyles.

The students presented a variety of dances encompassing a vibrant display of colours, festivity and nationalism. They were dressed in different ethnic attire, in keeping with the theme. Through these dance performances, the students stressed that cultural differences should not sep-

arate us, but rather bring a collective strength to benefit humanity in its entirety.

The aim of this carnival was to foster among students the understanding that humanity is one family irrespective of geographical, racial or linguistic barriers. The students participated with great zeal and enthusiasm. The programme concluded with the vote of thanks.

**Delhi School of Excellence, Attapur**

## Brave display of sportsmanship



**E**pistemo Global conducted Sports Day for the pre-primary wing on the theme 'Born Free' on September 9. Sports is an essential part of the curriculum for the students at the school as games help one develop an essence of individuality, a spirit of sportsmanship, a sense of responsibility and team building.

Padma Kolli, member of the executive board Samaikya Education, presided over the event. The program com-

menced with a march past by the little ones followed by an oath taking ceremony. The audience was enthralled to witness the energetic performance of the children in different categories like sprint, short put, long jump, high jump and relay.

While education is essential to acquire knowledge, sports is equally necessary for one's physical growth. The students enthusiastically participated in the events and bagged prizes. It was a moment

of pride for the parents to see their children receiving medals on the victory stand.

The highlight of the day was a surprise race for teachers, which saw the children cheering for their favourite teachers.

Principal Suparna Mehrotra, addressed the gathering with a vision on learning beyond the classroom.

**Rahmath Jahan, NIE coordinator, Epistemo Global School**



## A sneak peek into the world of oceans

**'C**ommotion in the Ocean' was the theme for the science fair held at Gitanjali Devakul for the pre-primary wing of the school on September 7.

Children created an under-the-sea ambience to give a peek into the ocean world. They also

rendered engrossing dance performances and entertained the audience. The show ended with an important message, 'A single plastic bag can kill the marine life. So say 'No' to plastic bags'.

**Gitanjali Devakul**

## On cyber security issues



**H**illside School recently conducted an awareness programme for the students of classes VI-X on several important issues. The programme covered topics like safe and unsafe touch, dangers from strangers and cybercrime.

Many children are falling prey to the dangers of cyber-

crime and the need of the hour is to protect them from this evil.

Lalitha Anand, the founder of Teen Foundation, a trust that works extensively to spread awareness on issues concerning teenagers and young adults, conducted a session on cyber security. She touched upon various as-

pects of the subject, like the use and misuse of gadgets, protecting private information, gaming addiction, cyber bullying and the dangers of certain games. It was an interactive session, interspersed with videos and audience participation.

**Hillside School**

## Sweating it out on the field

**P**laying sports is a key part of the school curriculum for students. Participation in extracurricular athletic activities promotes socialization, development of leadership skills, focus and physical fitness. Keeping this in mind, Ambitus World School recently organized an inter-house athletic competition.

The judges for the day were the sports trainers of the school. They guided the participants regarding the rules and regulations of the game.

The event kicked off with a pow-

erful performance by the students of classes I-II in the 50 m sprint and class III in the 80 m race. After the exciting start, the children showed their abilities in the 100 m, 200 m and 400 m race as well as a relay race.

The prize distribution ceremony was later conducted where the overall best performance in all the events was also awarded apart from individual winners. It was an exciting day for the students.

**Ambitus World School**



## Addressing social issues



**T**he IB PYP Social Science Week 2017 was observed at DRSIS recently with a myriad of theme based activities by the PYP students of classes I-V. Day 1 began with a song performance by the students of class I on the importance and conservation of water relating to the category 'Natural Resources' and 'Taking Action on Saving Earth' respectively.

The class II students presented a song on 'Save the Earth'. The aim was to not only create to awareness on the conservation of the environment, but also to sensitise children on the grave problems of water crisis and its consequences, not just in India, but

around the world too. The children shared their ideas on saving water and showcased the importance of going green today for a better tomorrow.

The class III students gave a presentation on 'Greetings Around the World' and spoke about the importance of greetings between people. The presentation was entertaining as each one presented various greeting styles through demonstrations.

The class IV children presented the song 'What a Wonderful World' as they learned about the different states of India. They appreciated the diversity of Nature and living beings through the song. The students had

an exciting experience learning about India's rich heritage and culture.

This was then followed by a dance 'Unity in Diversity' by the students of class V to show the diversity of India and express their understanding of the theme, 'Where We Are in Place and Time'. They represented the traditional dresses and celebrations of different states of India through the song, 'I am Just Like You'.

The enthusiastic participation of the students in depicting current social issues was a great learning experience for one and all.

**DRS International School**



## Academic fairs help with decision making

**A**t least 34 universities from four countries — USA, Canada, UK and Spain — participated in the biggest academy fair organised by Aga Khan Academy recently. They were later joined by fifteen more universities. Some of these included the University of Westminster in the UK, Ecole Hôtelière de Lausanne in Switzerland and Jacobs University Bremen, located in Germany.

Students attended the fair and interacted with the dignitaries on varied subjects like housing, admissions and local customs.

Prior to that, seven American universities and one Irish university visited the academy on August 28. University representatives provided a detailed insight into campus life, academics and admissions.

Talking about the event, class XII



student Alisha Tejani said, "I liked how we were exposed to different universities, both public and private. I

got practical questions regarding scholarships addressed". Needless to say, the students also

had their favourites among those universities represented.

"I liked Trinity College in Dublin because of its holistic approach to education. It also offers an exchange program with Indian universities, which you don't see every day," said Rhea Raydi, a student. Others preferred Trinity's American counterparts, such as Bennington College in Vermont and the University of Colorado at Boulder.

The class XII students have been currently applying at foreign universities for higher studies. They are supported by the Academy authorities, who host university fairs and provide students with one-on-one support throughout the application process.

**Jeniffer Tubbs, The Aga Khan Academy Hyderabad**

## Celebrating the beauty of the Telugu language



**S**tudents of St. Joseph's School, Malakpet, celebrated Telugu Bhasha Dinotsavam recently with great linguistic fervour. A cultural fiesta, depicting the significance of this language, commenced with the lighting of the lamp by the chief guest Jatavallabhula Ramamurthy, an eminent scholar and retired head of the Telugu department at Hyderabad Public School, Begumpet.

The cultural fete began with the school choir presenting a melodious song to mark the occasion. The students, dressed in traditional attire, rendered speeches on the con-

tribution of eminent poets and writers in the world of Telugu literature.

Other activities included enchanting dance performances and a hilarious skit by the children of classes VIII-X. Addressing the gathering, the chief guest talked about the beauty of the language with several poetical examples. He later awarded the winners of the different competitions held on the day. Headmistress U.A Sundari appreciated the efforts of the children and reminded them to take pride in their language.

**St. Joseph's School, Malakpet**



**T**he birth anniversary of the famous poet Kaloji Narayana Rao, who relentlessly fought for the importance of the Telugu language, is celebrated as Telugu Day every year. To commemorate the occasion, students of The Play School and primary wing of Sister Nivedita School organised a series of cultural activities.

The event commenced with a melodious song by the school choir in praise of the lan-

guage, followed by a group dance. The students donned the roles of great poets and reminded everyone about their contributions to the language. Various competitions were held for the students of UKG to class IV throughout the week to encourage and motivate them about the language. Principal Jayanthi Venkatraman gave away the prizes to the winners.

**Primary Wing of Sister Nivedita School**

## Hauling home medals

**S**tudents of Neelkanth Vidyapeeth International School participated in the swimming competition organised by Glendale Academy and emerged victorious in different categories. The events included freestyle, breaststroke and relay. Sakhreliya Dhumil of class IX came first in the 50m breaststroke and Dhavj Karotra of class VII secured the third position in the 25m breaststroke category.

Parth Ravjibhai Raghvani of class

X won the second position in 100m freestyle, while P. Mohit and Sai Pra-neeth of class VII came first and second in the 25m and 50m freestyle respectively. Kalash Malani of class X, G Charan Sai Prasad of class IX, Parth Ravjibhai Raghvani of class X and Sakhreliya Dhumil of class IX were awarded for securing the second position in 4X50m relay.

**Neelkanth Vidyapeeth Int'l School**