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## Annual Sports Fiesta 2016-17

A week long mega Annual Sports Fiesta at the school premises took the cities of Ahmedabad and Gandhinagar literally by storm. The aim was to emphasize the importance of sports and not to consider it a frivolous activity. The fiesta commenced on 19 Dec. and gained momentum right from the word 'GO'. These five days saw the frenzy and the hysteria building up, reaching a crescendo and culminating on 23 Dec. Honourable Sports Minister of State for Sports, Youth and Cultural Activities – Shri Rajendra Trivedi was the Chief Guest of the Inaugural Ceremony. A number of luminaries from the world of sports, graced the occasion which included the Guest of Honour - Mr. Munaf Patel, Mr. Sandeep Narwal, the recipient of gold medals in Kabaddi World Cup 2016, Mr. Amit Hooda, yet another renowned Kabaddi player and Mr. Salil Yadav, a celebrity cricket player. The Inaugural Ceremony saw a grand carnival with band and music, deft dancers on the ground, a rainbow of colours and a shower of confetti amidst rousing cheering from the students and parents alike.

What made this fiesta remarkable was the overwhelming response and presence of large number of sports enthusiastic parents. Invitations were extended to them for all five days as, apart from sporting events for the students in the mornings, afternoons were earmarked for parents and the DPS faculty and staff. Pleasant weather, lush green lawns and food to suit every palate provided a perfect platform for enjoyment. A Fun Zone also proved to be a crowd puller what with Nail Art, Tattoos, Fun Games and to top it all was the DJ. It was a sight to behold children hobnobbing with stilt walkers, unicyclists, ball walkers, clowns and Disney characters. The DPS campus buzzed with sporting events taking place in the two massive grounds of the school. And boy! Who did not participate in this fiesta? EVERYBODY - from the youngest Pre Primary children to the senior most class XII students, to teachers, to staff, to housekeeping staff and they could not get enough of it. The Annual ritual of Prize Distributions of Inter House Competitions was also conducted on 23rd Dec. Tapti House, the House with maximum trophies, walked off with the most coveted Trophy for overall Best House in both CCA & Sports in the year 2016-17.









## REMEMBERING BAPU

The significance of ever relevant values of non-violence preached by Mahatma Gandhi that earned him fame all over the world, was reiterated in the morning assembly on 3rd Oct. A glowing tribute was paid to Bapu on his birth anniversary in the form of a skit, a song and a speech by the students of classes I & II. Also an educational trip for class I students was organized to give the students a glimpse into the kind of life Bapu lived.



## NAVRATRI

The much awaited time of the year, those nine days when the entire Gujarat reverberates with Garba dance. Keeping the cultural values intact, the school wore a festive look on 7th Oct. the day of Navratri celebrations. After offering prayers to Goddess Durga, symbolising the victory of good over evil, the effigy of Ravan was put aflame on the school ground. The students in their traditional attire along with the teachers danced to the Garba tunes. (check classes to mention)



## AN EDUCATED SOCIETY IS A HEALTHY SOCIETY

The National Education Day, is observed every year on 11th Nov. to commemorate the birth anniversary of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad for his great contribution to the cause of education in India. An essay writing competition was organized for the students of classes IX – XI, on the topic – ‘The importance of literacy and education for the wellbeing of society’. The aim of this competition was to develop creative instinct by giving the students a chance to display their innate talent as budding authors and also highlight the eminent role of education in nation building.

## A TRIBUTE TO THE ARCHITECT OF INDIAN CONSTITUTION

Samvidhan Diwas was celebrated on 26th Nov. to commemorate the contribution of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar. A special morning assembly was organized and attended by the students of classes VI to XII. The Preamble was read out and students pledged their adherence to the ideals enshrined in the constitution. A Quiz too, was organized on this occasion.



## PRE-PRIMARY WING

Pre-primary education exposes the creativity of the child, thus allowing the child to develop his personality in a natural way. The child learns to adjust with his peers and learns to interact with outsiders. The stress is on the cognitive development of the child as learning is due to practice and interaction in a big group. Learning takes place through activities like Recitation, Origami, Cut and paste, Story Telling with a theme and many more. Highlights of some of them are :

## ORANGE DAY CELEBRATION

Children celebrated the day on 6th Oct. by wearing orange coloured dresses. The classrooms were decorated with the orange coloured objects.



## A RENDEZVOUS WITH NATURE IN KUKU'S NEST

The youngest brigade, i.e. the students of pre-primary wing, visited Kuku's Nest- a Farm House from 7th Nov. to 11th Nov. The aim was to enjoy the sights and sounds of nature, explore and see variety of plants. It was a pleasure to watch the little ones collecting twigs, leaves and different kinds of flowers during Nature Walk. Out in the open, in the midst of green cover, children did yoga, some group activities and made interesting drawings.





## CATCH THEM YOUNG TO AVOID SLIP OF TONGUE



‘Show-and-Tell’ is an effective and enjoyable way for young children to refine their public speaking and communication skills and at the same time acquire knowledge about new things. An activity named “Journey of a Seed to Plant” was organized on 16th November. Topics like soil, seed, sun, water, sapling, tree, flowers, fruits, and things we get from trees were divided for all Nursery and Preparatory sections.

Children prepared a few lines on the given topic and brought appropriate props. From each class three children were selected for the final round. Appreciation badges were given at the end of the activity.

## LET’S GO ALL FRUITY & SALADY

A group activity related to fruits was conducted on 17th Nov. for Nursery kids to familiarize them with



different types of fruits. All the children were divided into groups of five and taught different activities, using shapes of fruits, like Collage making, Finger printing, Sponge printing and colouring the fruits. Importance of salad was emphasized by observing Vegetable Salad Day on 30th Nov.

## CASUAL YET STYLISH –IT’S JEANS DAY

Jeans Day was celebrated by the tiny tots of Pre Nursery on 18th Nov. with an objective to make children



familiar with different fabrics like silk, cotton, wool, jute and denim. Children made a collage in the pictures of pants with pieces of denim fabric. They danced on peppy songs and carried home a little heart made of denim.



## I AM THE CHEF TODAY

The kitchen can be a fascinating place for young kids. The Preparatory children got an opportunity to showcase their talent in ‘Kids Kitchenette’ on 25th Nov. to prepare some quick fix dishes to reveal their efforts and get hands-on experience. The motive of the event was to instil a sense of respect in them about the calorie factory at home.



## BE SMART, EAT SMART

Little ones of Pre-primary were taught the importance of hygiene and sanitation to remain healthy through audio visuals and a visit to the vegetable market from 5 Dec. to 8th Dec.

## LET’S JINGLE BELLS

The children celebrated Christmas on 16th Dec. They made bells, Christmas Cards and did palm printing. Their classrooms wore a festive look with streamers, balloons and bells.





## PRIMARY WING

### RYING FOR TOP SLOTS

Inter House competitions provide a healthy competitive environment to students on regular basis and each House eyes the top position. The competitions held in this quarter were Maths Alive for classes III – V on 21st Oct. and class I on 30th Nov.

Inter House Football Tournament for Classes IV & V (Under-12) was held on 3rd Dec. Narmada house won the final match and became Champion.



### QUIZ COMPETITION FOR CLASSES III-V

Selection of students started with the participation of all the enthusiastic students from Std. III to V in the preliminary rounds of paper and pen test. The participants were screened on the basis of their performance at the House level. Each class was represented by 12 students, 3 from each house. After 6 grueling rounds on 9th December. Tapti House, Narmada House and Tapti House emerged as winners in standard III, IV and V respectively.

### Inter House Basket Ball competition for under 14

The competition for Boys & Girls (classes IV & V) with 45 participants was held on 10 Dec. Tapti House emerged as the winner.

### EXPLORING NEW VISTAS

Travelling teaches profound lessons in life and lessons learnt beyond classrooms leave an indelible impression on young minds. Educational trips ensure that Jacks and Janes in our school do not become dull and spark remains ignited in them. The students of classes III went to Mt. Abu and class V to Jodhpur and Jaisalmer.

The abode of the Father of the Nation was visited by the students of class X as well on 14th Oct. The ideals of simple living and high thinking of Mahatma Gandhi depicted in Sabarmati Ashram were lapped up by the students as they tried their hands at charkha weaving.



For Classes IX & X students, it was a call from the hills, i.e. Dalhousie and Khajjiar. Students of class IX went on a week-long trip from 19 -25th Oct. They also went to Amritsar. Class X students took on similar journey from 8th Nov. to 14th Nov.

Class VII students too, packed their bags took off on a tour to Dehradun, Mussoorie and Dhanaulti from 14th Nov. to 19th Nov.

## SENIOR WING



Inter House and Inter School competitions go a long way in self-assessment of students apart from arousing a quest for more knowledge in them. Ten students from classes VII and VIII participated in the most popular Bournvita Quiz Contest 2016 on 17th Oct., in Swaminarayan School. "ChaitnayaKhoj" yet another Inter School competition was organized by Chaitnya School on 22nd Oct. Two teams comprising students of classes VII & VIII participated and third position was secured by one team.

In a Drawing Competition, organized by Petroleum Conservation Reservation Association on 15 Nov. Swostibha Mohapatra was declared one of the best entries in Painting on the subject of Oil & Gas Conservation.





In yet another drawing and Wall Painting competition organized by Swachh Bharat Mission on 19th and 20th Nov., the students of VII to XI won maximum trophies. Mr. Hasmukh Chauhan, the Art teacher also won the Creative Art Teacher Trophy.



In Kalakriti Inter School Competition organized by Hillwoods School, Gandhinagar on 19th Nov. 27 students from classes II to XII participated in various competitions and won maximum trophies including the Rolling Trophy.



Swami Vivekanand Hill-Shield Rural (District) level Inter school cricket tournament for boys under-19 was held at DPSG on 29th and 30th Dec 2016. Altogether six teams played on knock out basis. The smashing performance of our cricketers boosted the students confidence and they won the match by 09 wickets.

**At home turf, some very interesting Inter House competitions were held :**

Hindi Sulekhan Competition for class VI was held on 21st Nov. 2016.

English Debate Competition for the students of classes XI & XII on 17th Oct. The competition was a fine display of oratory skills of the students. It was again Tapti House with the best speakers, followed by Mahi at 2nd position and Sabarmati and Narmada shared the 3rd position.

Travelogue by Social Science Department for class VI on 24 Oct. Mahi House stood first in the competition, Sabarmati and Tapti both secured second and Narmada was at third place.



**BE TECHNO SAVY -CYBER WIZARD COMPETITION** for classes III to X was organised from 25th Nov. to 2nd Dec.



**SCIENCE – ROLE PLAY” COMPETITION** for class VI on 5th Dec. The competition depicted the “Ever Increasing Dependency and Alternative Source Of Energy”



**MATHEMATICS SKIT** for class VII on 22nd Nov. Mahi House was adjudged first, Sabarmati second, Narmada third and Tapti was at the fourth place.



**EXPLORING SCIENCE COMPETITION** for class VIII was held on 23 Nov.





**ENGLISH EXTEMPORE COMPETITION** for class VIII was on 7th Dec. in the school auditorium. Three participants from each house spoke on the given topic for 1:30 to 2:00 minutes. First position was bagged by Ishika Prashant of Tapti House, Second position by Prashansa Roy of Sabarmati House and Shashwat Jatakia of Mahi House secured third position.



**MATHEMATICS QUIZ COMPETITION** for class X was held on 9th Dec. Three participants from each house participated in the five round competition with great vigour and enthusiasm.

## Science Exhibition

Delhi public School Gandhinagar hosted a one day Inter School Science exhibition with the theme “Science for Sustainable Future” on 26th November 2016. Budding young scientist from 7 schools of Ahmedabad and Gandhinagar alongwith the host school participated in the competition by putting exhibits. The chief guest for the occasion Dr. Shashank Chaturvedi, Director (IPR) inaugurated the exhibition.







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