



DMA TIMES

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HEART TO HEART

Dear all,

"If we could change ourselves, the tendencies in the world would also change. As a man changes his own nature, so does the attitude of the world change towards him. We need not wait to see what others do." – M K Gandhi

I feel great joy and pride as I pen down my reflections on 'The indomitable Icon of our country'. At the outset I pay my homage to this irreplaceable epitome, the Father of our Nation- Mahatma Gandhi.

Mahatma Gandhi was one of the giants of the 20th century, who left an indelible mark on the social, economic, religious, moral and political spheres of the day. The life of Gandhi is quite fascinating and inspiring. He lived, suffered and died for the country. He was not only a patriot, politician, nation builder and statesman but was much more. He was essentially a moral force, whose appeal was to the conscience of human beings and therefore universal. Mahatma Gandhi and his values have become more relevant for today's society which is under turmoil and suffering from social evils, corruption, terrorism and violence. There are so many social evils and the way to eliminate them is to head the path shown by Mahatma - the path of non- violence, brotherhood, humaneness and love for the country.

This month we also celebrate Dussehra. Dussehra is a celebration of the triumph of good over evil. The day of Dussehra marks the end of demons like Ravana, Meghnad and Kumbhakarna which symbolises that anyone can burn their vices such as anger, lust, identification, pride, greed, jealousy, injustice, cruelty and ego. I call upon the students to make yourself a wonderful human being imbued with all social, moral, ethical and spiritual values which are going to be the core of your entire personality and which will determine how smartly you are going to fare in life.

With warm regards and best wishes

Dr (Mrs) Ritu Dewan

Principal

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Reading brings joy, inspires minds and creates wonder. Reading also touches hearts and widens horizons. Reading is also the best way to enhance our knowledge, vocabulary and imagination. DMA has provided a unique reading portal for the students as well as the parents, which has thousands of books for all age groups. The school hopes that everyone would be enriched by participating in this unique reading and learning program.

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CELEBRATIONS

GANDHI JAYANTI, SHASTRI JAYANTI & DUSSEHRA CELEBRATION (1ST OCTOBER 2022) (SPECIAL ASSEMBLY)

A special assembly was organized by Gandhi House on Gandhi Jayanti, Shastri Jayanti as well as Dussehra celebrations at Dayawati Modi Academy. The assembly began on an auspicious note with the school prayer followed by the garlanding of the photos of both the great men by the Principal Dr. (Mrs.) Ritu Diwan. Class IX student Jhanvi expressed her views on the birth anniversary of the two great patriots and inspired the students to get inspiration from their lives. After that a short drama based on the life of Gandhiji was staged by the Gandhi house students. The actors of the play entertained everyone with their dialogue skills and also gave the message of following truth and non-violence. Following this Dussehra festival was celebrated by the students of Gandhi House in which a dance based on the song 'Pal Pal Hai Bhari' was presented, which delighted the audience and everyone applauded them with a rapturous sound. Continuing the series, an inspirational presentation based on cleanliness campaign was given by the students of Eco Club, which all the audience were delighted to see. Giving impetus to the program, Chief House Coordinator Mrs. Neeta Sirohi administered the oath to the students to not consume drugs and gave the message of 'Say Yes to Life No to drugs' after that respected Principal Dr. (Mrs.) Ritu Diwan encouraged the budding artists of the school by presenting prizes and certificates to the winners of "Avantika Coloring Contest". The Vice Principal, Mr. Kapil Christopher, Chief Head Master Mr. Rajiv Dhaka, Senior Wing Coordinator Mrs. Shashi Dhaka, Secondary Wing Coordinator Mr. RS Upadhyay, Primary Wing Coordinator Mrs. Latika Gupta were also present on the occasion.



ACTIVITIES

INTER-HOUSE COOKING WITHOUT FIRE COMPETITION (11TH OCTOBER 2022)

Experiential learning provides an opportunity for continuous learning and improvement. Keeping this in view, DMA provided a platform to students to showcase their creativity and culinary skills by organising an Inter House cooking without fire competition on 11 October, 2022 for the classes VII & VIII. Each house was represented by a team of five students. Motto of the competition was to develop team spirit and to create awareness about the nutritional value of food cooked without flame, the necessity and advantages of healthy eating and to encourage students to stay away from junk food. It was a visual treat to see nutritious yet delectable delicacies presented in an artistic and aesthetic style. Worthy panel of judges comprised of experts of culinary skills, Mrs. Prashasthi Sirohi, Mrs. Neeta Malik and Mrs. Sageeta Malik from parents community. Children attired in professional chef caps, aprons and gloves served the eatables to judges and interacted with them regarding the various health benefits of the dishes prepared by them. Gandhi House bagged the first position, followed by the Tagore house and the Patel house.



ACTIVITIES

ODISSI DANCE PERFORMANCE (SPICMACAY EVENT) (18TH OCTOBER 2022)

SPICMACAY's intention is to enrich the quality of formal education by increasing awareness about different aspects of Indian heritage and inspiring the young mind to imbibe the values embedded in it. It seeks to inspire youth through experiencing the mysticism embodied in the rich and heterogeneous cultural tapestry of Indian and World Heritage, with a hope that the beauty, grace, values, and wisdom embodied in these arts will influence their way of life and thinking and inspire one to become a better human being. For this, the most accomplished artistes of the country render programs of Indian classical music and dance, folk, poetry, theatre, traditional paintings, crafts & yoga primarily in schools and colleges. DMA hosted the SPICMACAY event of an Odissi dance performance by renowned odissi dancer **Padma Shri Madhavi Mudgal** on 18th October 2022. Madhavi Mudgal is a living legend of odissi dance, renowned for deep insight into its history and current evolution. She was accorded a warm welcome by the Principal Dr. (Mrs.) Ritu Dewan. She enthralled the spectators with her delicate postures and strong rhythmic footwork combined in an appealing flow of sculptural movements. Her subtle abhinaya (the expressional aspect of dance), musical knowledge and aesthetic sense add to the highly distinctive character of her recitals.



DEEPAWALI CELEBRATIONS

Diwali, the festival of lights that enlightens the hearts and brings joy to every heart, was celebrated with immense splendour and grandeur at DMA on 21st October 2022. A special morning assembly was organised by the students of the middle wing. The assembly was beautifully hosted by Mishika of VII A and Abhay of VIII A. Radiating the vibes of joy and happiness, the school was decorated in vibrant hues.

The celebrations commenced with lighting of diyas and puja invoking God's blessings. A melodious song 'Deepavali gali gali banke khushi chahi re' was sung by the choir group. Through her thought provoking speech Navya Jain of class VII F urged the students to celebrate green and pollution free Diwali. Describing the beauty of the festival of lights, a beautiful poem 'Let's Celebrate Diwali' was also recited by Shony Mehta of class VIII-D. Following this a street play 'Say No to Crackers' was staged wherein children were taught about the harmful effects of crackers on the human body and surroundings, hence receiving a message to celebrate Diwali in an eco-friendly manner.

The students showcased the spirit of Diwali through a mesmerising dance performance on the tunes of 'Ayo re shubh din aayo re'. Ms. Jyoti Rajvanshi illuminated the students sharing the real meaning of Diwali and asking them to share their joys with less privileged people to make their Diwali sparkling. Proceeding the sacred teachings of Bhagwat Geeta, Ms. Banita Rajeev recited 11th shloka of chapter one, 'Arjun Vishad Yog'.

The program ended with distribution of certificates to all the fervent participants of different houses for their wonderful performance in various extracurricular activities.

In her enlightening words honourable Principal Dr. (Mrs.) Ritu Dewan appreciated the efforts and zealous participation of students. She urged to celebrate green Diwali burning less crackers and using candles, sweets and non-polluting green crackers. She emphasized that cleansing of negative thoughts is real cleaning of souls and asked them to share their joys and happiness with all and try to sparkle everyone's life in order to celebrate the festival in true sense.



VISITS AND EXCURSIONS

VISIT TO JYOTI NIWAS (19TH OCTOBER 2022)

"Finding Joy within and giving joy to everyone around you is the foundation that is needed for ultimate well- being." - Sadguru

Practising generosity is the mental health principle of DMAites. With this aim, DMA organized a visit to the orphanage home Jyoti Niwas on 19th October 2022. Jyoti Niwas in Meerut holds a special place for DMA-ites as this is the place where we find peace and joy in helping the homeless. Sweets and apparels were collected in large number for the orphans. DMA students succeeded in spreading smiles and cheers on the eve of Diwali festival.

A group of 21 students along with two teachers also visited Kath Ka Pul in Sadar with the aim of building social connections and to understand the values of empathy, compassion and discernment. It was a great experience for students as they learned that the strength of kindness is infinite. It brings a magical feeling of honesty, purity, joy and integrity.

VISIT TO NATIONAL STATISTICS OFFICE (19TH OCTOBER 2022)

A group of class 12 students of Commerce stream visited the National Statistics Office, Meerut on 19th October 2022.



ACCOLADES

DMA RANKED NO. 1 BY EDUCATION TODAY (11TH OCTOBER 2022)

DMA set another benchmark in the region when it was recognized as the **No. 1 school in UP in Quality Education** by the prestigious magazine and rating agency “**Education Today**” on 11th October 2022 in a glittering ceremony organized in Radisson Blue Hotel, Gurgaon. The school was also awarded the **North India School Merit Award** and **1st Rank in Most Effective Blended Learning Model**. The Principal, Dr. (Mrs.) Ritu Dewan, was honored with the award “**50 Most Effective Principals**” for her outstanding contribution in the field of education. It is a matter of great honor and pride for DMA that the revered Principal Dr. (Mrs.) Ritu Dewan’s innovative work and initiatives in the field of education have been recognized and awarded consistently for the last three years by Education Today.



SPORTS ARENA

KARATE CHAMPIONS OF DMA

Prakhyati Sirohi (7-E) made the school proud by achieving II place and **Silver medal** in the event of Sub Junior under 11 years A Pool category of **2nd Uttar Pradesh United Shotokan Karate-Do Championship** organised at the Chaudhary Charan Singh University, Meerut ON 9th October 2022.

Viraj Thakur (7-E) brought glory to the school by winning **Gold medal** in **North India Karate Championship 2022** organised by All Sports Shotokan Self Defence Karate Association of India at Satyakam International School, Meerut on 16th October 2022. **Ansh Chaudhary** (8-E) won the **Bronze medal** at the same event.

CHESS MASTERS OF DMA

Chess prodigy of DMA, **Gopal Krishna Maheshwari** (9-E), excelled at international level and was awarded a diploma by the **World Chess Federation** which honoured him with the title of **Arena FIDE Master** in the year 2022.



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By this diploma I confirm that

Gopal Krishna Maheshwari
India

has obtained the title of

Arena FIDE Master

in the year 2022

FIDE President
Arkady Dvorkovich



GANDHI JI / SHASTRI JAYANTI & DUSHERA CELEBRATION



Special assembly was organized by Gandhi house to celebrate the birth anniversary of Gandhi Ji and Shastri Ji on 1st October. On the same day Tagore house students organized Dussehra assembly.

Dussehra was rejoiced with great zeal portraying a beautiful act , poem , bhajan with a message signifying the victory of good over evil and all the bad deeds vanish by the virtue of the goodness in and around us .



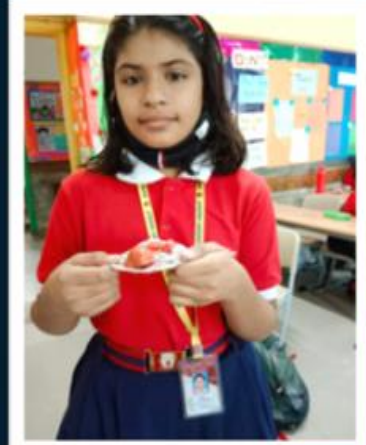
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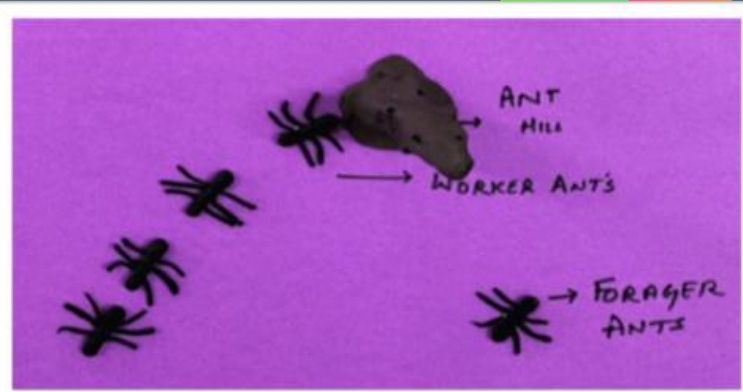


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LINGUISTIC WEEK

DMA(Primary Wing) celebrated Linguistic week from 10th to 14th October, 2022 highlighting languages like English, Sanskrit, Hindi ,German and French. The global importance of each language in today's world was highlighted through various activities and students were encouraged to participate & maximize their resources for the best learning experience possible. Teachers motivated the children to choose and read different Language books from our ever increasing multilingual library. In a nutshell, children realized the importance of learning more than one language.



LINGUISTIC WEEK



Visit to Old Age Home

(Joy Of Giving Week)

DMA(Primary Wing) organized a trip to Old Age Home (Apna Ghar and Jyoti Niwas)as a part of Community Service on 22nd October, 2022. Children and teachers were greeted by a representative of the Old Age Home who gave a brief description of the home and those residing there. All students got the opportunity to have a face to face talk with the residents of the home who hailed. The students were sensitized towards the needs of the elderly. Students carried several items such as eatables, sanitary items, toiletries, clean & packed blankets etc for donation. The elderly blessed the students and expressed their gratitude for paying them a visit.

VISIT TO OLD AGE HOME



DIWALI CELEBRATION



Diwali is the festival of lights which is celebrated across India. The name 'Deepawali' literally means an 'array of lights'. To make the students understand the importance of Diwali, various activities such as 'inter-house Rangoli-making', candle and 'diya' decoration, paper lanterns, class decoration, bandhanwaar making, cooking without fire were organized in all the classes. Both teachers and students enjoyed the Diwali celebrations wholeheartedly.

DIWALI CELEBRATION



NATIONAL UNITY DAY

Our school celebrated the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel (National Unity Day) on 31st October, 2022.

To celebrate this special day, Slogan Writing Activity was organized. The children enthusiastically participated in the activity.

The basic idea is to enable students to appreciate the value of synergic effort rather than individual effort so that students go back to the society as ambassadors of unity, peace and safety.

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