

IDS project for global education by MPS

Local actions have proved to have global impact and had made commitments regarding taking small steps towards achieving a sustainable future.

Keeping up with the spirit of Sustainable Development Goal 14 defined as 'Life below water', and to make students future ready, a collaborative activity of International Dimension in Schools (IDS) was conducted for the aspirants of junior wing of Modern Public School, Shalimar Bagh, Delhi.

After discussing the issue of water scarcity in the



world and analysing different ways of water conservation, an array of activities

were organised and the learners were apprised about the ill effects of thoughtless

human actions on aquatic life too. They were encouraged to devise and find out different ways in which they can conserve and manage the use of water.

Class 3 students designed diverse health cards on A3 sized sheets using different colourful material and other resources available, class 4 students expressed their ideas through posters and science toons and the students of class 5 were asked to make a file / project.

An ecological survey of an aquatic water body was also carried out, wherein the students collected information about

different types of aquatic plants, animals etc. in which the students participated enthusiastically.

With an optimistic and confident attitude, students initiated a movement in correspondence with Sustainable Development Goal 14 by becoming eco warriors. They also discussed and shared new ideas by exchanging worksheets with the students of Chasetown Community School, UK. With this they would certainly take a giant leap towards becoming environmentalists and help the world in conserving water for future generations.

Parenting in tough times

Hard-working and enthusiastic team of CSKM Public School, Chattarpur New Delhi organised an online webinar "Parenting in tough times: A guidance session for parents" on December 23.

The webinar proved to be didactic and beneficial for every attendee because of the way principal, CSKM Shakuntla S Jaiman embellished the topic with her diversified knowledge in the field of psychology. Parents were inquisitive and equally enthusiastic as the team of CSKM Public School. They bombarded the principal with numerous questions based on parenting in such



an advert situation where the entire world has been affected by the pandemic.

Headmistress Deepika Abrol, initiated the session, setting the tone, while Dr Jaiman answered each query to the satisfaction of the parents. Questions from parents and responses from students kept

the chat box full and running. The intended 45 minutes session was concluded in 90 minutes by 8.30 pm, and the young students and parents were still eagerly interacting. The webinar was a huge success and parents were eagerly asking for the next session.

DPSG holds vaccination drive for students

DPSG Palam Vihar conducted a vaccination drive in a special camp at the school campus. The immunisation of students between the age group of 15 to 18 years, commenced from January 4, in collaboration with UPHC and continued till January 6.

Dr Devendra Yadav was the nodal in charge to facilitate this medical procedure and the mobile vaccination team comprised of two staff nurses in addition to the school principal, senior coordinator and the class teachers. In this supremely successful venture, over 415 students were vaccinated,



and all the students of DPSG Palam Vihar registered on CoWin App were administered the first dose in school under the watchful eyes of the school principal, senior coordinator and the class teachers.

The school principal, Srividya Sridhar expressed her gratitude to the members of the parent community for extending their solidarity to make the vaccination drive a great success.

Online webinar on career counselling

A career counselling session was conducted by GLT Saraswati Bal Mandir, Sr Sec School, Nehru Nagar on December 31, 2021 for the students of class XI and XII. A wonderful session was organised for the students of science stream. Principal Veena Goel, vice principal Anju Sharma, faculty members, alumni head, Deepika Arora, Lakshay graced the occasion.

The session was conducted by Santosh Patra, a senior business consultant with Tata consultancy services.

He apprised the students about various career oriented courses. He motivated the students to follow their passion.

A detailed presentation was presented by Santosh Patra on various career prospects available after class XII for the science students. Statistical data was highlighted showing the cut-offs and ranking of various competitive exams, like NEET, JEE. Autonomous institutions was highlighted. This was followed by questions and answers round, where students put forward their queries regarding stress buster techniques. Vote of thanks was proposed by principal Veena Goel.

"Travelling is the best form of education" is an oft quoted saying. There can be no doubts about the benefits of visiting places or countries! The more one is exposed, the more one imbibes knowledge, like History, Geography, and experiences which last a life time! Of late, tourism has become a very flourishing industry. India is one country which is popular with people all over the world and attracts not only foreigners but also domestic travellers. The state of Orissa is a "must see" for many tourists and the place where most travellers head to is "Puri". It caters to all kinds of people such as religious, beach, historical.

My first visit to Puri was full of excitement and surprises. The first surprise was the warm love and friendship of the welcoming of the Bay of Bengal! It seemed, the high waves breaking gently in the beach was extending its hands for a hug. One



beaches, whose most of the visitors are seen lolling or sunbathing on the beach! Puri is the abode of Lord Jagannath in a temple of magnificent architecture and carvings. Gautham Buddha gave up with fighting when he saw the destruction and death in Puri. The festival of "Rath Yatra" attracts thousands of tourists every year in the month of July. The cuisine is unparalleled which is not only seafood but tourists make it a point to have Lord Jagannath's "Bhog" at least once. Orissa's handloom saris are a favourite with tourists; like everyone else, I couldn't resist myself from buying not one but four, out of this world saris! As Konark

the famous Sun temple is not far from Puri, it was included in my itinerary. So I suggest your next trip should be to Puri, and I assure you, you won't be disappointed.

ISHITA BASU, SENIOR TEACHER, LA MARTINIÈRE GIRLS' COLLEGE, LUCKNOW



Student Corner

HEBA NAIM IX-C Hamdard Public School, Sangam Vihar

MADHVI, IX-G, Dav Public School, Sector-14, Faridabad

TARINI KAUR, VII, Manav Shal Global School

TRAVEL DIARY

cannot resist a dip in the sea alone or holding onto a "Nunia", the men who help one, to go into the deep sea! they are the people responsible for one's safety while bathing in the sea. The sight of most of the visitors bathing in the sea is in deep contrast to other

MCQ'S FAIL TO TEST STUDENT'S UNDERSTANDING OF THE SUBJECT

MCQ's (Multiple Choice Questions) are short and brief, but they fail to analyse the potential of a student's knowledge of any particular subject. The biggest disadvantage is that the literacy skills are not properly covered with short questions and answers. Gauging any student's understanding and know-how on the chapter or subject is very tricky. Moreover, wrong options may sometimes expose students to misinformation, which can influence subsequent thinking about the content. Essay type answers reveal the information and wisdom a student has in his/her topic. Bracing for the future in any field checks upon the data one can produce in the subject. Some of them require deep understanding and a student needs to be well updated. The assessment cannot be trusted just by one or two words. The core understanding is a pre-requisite and answers need to be short or long essays. This cannot be achieved where selection of the correct answer is preferred over generation of the same. Every subject has a different nature of acceptance, hence a different approach. Some questions are answered randomly and the student gets away with guess work, which is not acceptable in terms of complete realisation of their facts. Their understanding of the content remains superficial.

These days we have numerous competitive exams based on MCQ's (Multiple Choice Questions), and in the school curriculum also we are trained for the same. The methodically set papers are helpful for practice and support in achieving enhanced goals. The focus is on the fine points, they are easy and quick to score, either manually or digitally. They cover vast areas of the subject and test our skills on a widely high ranking. Thinking skills get a boost as the answers are short and crisp. The advantageous part is that it can assess the students' mental achievements objectively. The guess work is limited and no enhancement is required, along with less time to prepare. They are grade oriented so the students feel comfortable answering them. They are quick and easy to write, time saving aptitude tests.

FOR DEBATE

UDISHA TIWARI, class XI, CMS Gomti Nagar 2, Lucknow

AGAINST

ANANYA RASTOGI, class XI, The Millennium School, Lucknow

ACCOLADES- THE RECOGNITION CEREMONY

Hansraj Model School, Punjabi Bagh organised its first virtual recognition ceremony, 'Accolades' for classes III to XII, for the academic sessions 2019-20 and 2020-21 in a phased manner over ten days. The felicitation ceremony was graced by our chief guests Kailash Chand, deputy director of Education, Distt West-A, DOE, and women of talents Supriya Madan, dean IT and professor Anuradha Jain, director at Vivekanand Institute of Professional Studies affiliated to GGSIP University, Delhi.

The program commenced with the auspicious lighting of the



lamp, followed by a melodic Shubhashish by teachers and mesmerising orchestra by the music club of the school.

The proceedings were invigorated by the beginning of the event, 'Lead On—To Dare is to Do', in which meritorious students were acknowledged for their brilliant performances by principal, Heemal Handoo Bhat.

Ranging from a thought-provoking film, 'Joy to the World', presented by 'Pratibimb', the dramatic society of the school to highlighting the co-scholastic endeavours of the students, the ceremony not only displayed the academic achievements but also gave significant credit to co-curricular excellence of the proud recipients.

SLS DAV holds financial literacy webinar

SLS DAV Public School Mausam Vihar organised a financial literacy webinar for students of classes VI and VII. The webinar focused on habit of savings, needs versus wants, spending

money responsibly and smart goals. It encouraged the students to enhance their decision making skills and to understand that wiser choices result in better use of time, money, and other resources. The students were motivated to take the time and effort to develop their own personal financial

goals and budget while informing them about the magic of compounding.

The session was conducted by Priyanka Mahesh Kumar, under the guidance of principal Vandana Kapoor.



The webinar was well organised, engrossing and was made interactive using various apps to get student responses.

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NEW ZEALAND LEVEL SERIES

BEAT BANGLADESH BY AN INNINGS IN SECOND MATCH EVEN AS TAYLOR'S HAS A MEMORABLE LAST TEST



Kyle Jamieson



Tom Latham

A courageous century by wicketkeeper Liton Das made Bangladesh a hard nut to crack but New Zealand finally broke through on Tuesday to win the second cricket Test by an innings and 117 runs to tie the two-match series.

Unlike their first innings, Bangladesh got off to a cautious start but Kyle Jamieson and Neil Wagner wreaked havoc to dismantle the batting lineup. Liton Das (102) was the lone fighter for Bangladesh as he tried hard to carry the visitors' innings. Das batted almost one-handed for much of his innings after being struck on the glove. He weathered a barrage of short-pitched bowling from New Zealand to post his second Test century from only 106 balls. Bangladesh rallied around his resilient example to force a match which many thought would be over quickly on Tuesday into the final session of the third day before the last wicket fell 20 minutes from scheduled stumps.

Das finally was out for 102 and the end came swiftly afterwards with Bangladesh losing its last wickets in dimming light at Hagley Oval. When the ninth wicket fell the crowd began baying for the veteran batsman Ross Taylor, who will retire from Test cricket after his 112th Test, to be given a chance to bowl. Captain Tom Latham bowed to the crowd's demand and Taylor's third ball of gentle off breaks brought a false shot from Ebadot Hossain, who skied the ball to Latham. That

brought the curtain down on Taylor's 15-year Test career in the most unusual fashion and to the reverberating cheers of the crowd.

FITTING END FOR TAYLOR

Taylor had bowled only 16 overs in all of his previous Tests for two wickets, the last time eight years ago. But fate conspired to bring his career to an extraordinary end. First mobbed by his teammates and presented the match ball, he walked from the field through a honour guard formed by Bangladesh, providing one last rich memory of an outstanding career.

LATHAM SHOWS HIS INFLUENCE

It was significant that the final catch was taken by Latham as the New Zealand captain had an outsized influence on this match. He scored 252, his second Test double century, in New Zealand's first innings of 521-6 declared, then took six catches as New Zealand bowled out Bangladesh for 126 and 278 after enforcing the follow-on. In doing so, Latham became the first player in Test history to score 250 and take six catches in the same match.

"We came here 1-0 down after losing the first test and putting a performance like this on the board was very pleasing," Latham said. "We talked about it in the days before the match that we had to improve on a number of areas and I thought we did that well. I guess getting put in on day one on a wicket we know does a little bit on day one, to build partnerships throughout the innings was ideal. I guess first innings scores are important."

REVERSAL AFTER GREAT UPSET

The result appeared to be a reversal for Bangladesh who made history when they won the first Test by eight wickets for their first win in any format in New Zealand. The win by the world's ninth-ranked team over the World Test Champion, especially in New Zealand conditions, was regarded as one of Test cricket's great upsets.

The tourists struggled to recover in the second Test after New Zealand's mammoth first-innings total but the fight they showed on the final day was impressive and they eventually will be pleased with a drawn series. "I'm really happy with the first Test but the first innings of the second Test was disappointing," Bangladesh captain Mominul Haque said. "It was very challenging to keep our momentum." Devon Conway was Man-of-the-Series. *AP*

It's a great way to finish. It was an emotional game for me and my family ... it was good to get the win. We needed to win this game to stay in the series and I thought we played fantastically well. Bangladesh put us under pressure at various times and that was probably a fair reflection of where the series was at. I wanted to finish with a win and the guys obviously gave that to me.

veteran batsman Ross Taylor



MAN UNITED LABOURS TO FA CUP WIN

WITHOUT RONALDO, TEAM PUT UP A LACKLUSTER SHOW TO BEAT VILLA 1-0

Without the injured Cristiano Ronaldo, Manchester United labored to a 1-0 win over Aston Villa in the third round of the FA Cup thanks to Scott McTominay's early goal.

McTominay met a curling cross from fellow midfielder Fred with a glancing header in the eighth minute to seal a home match against second-tier Middlesbrough in the fourth round next month. Yet the victory will do little to inspire confidence among United's fans that Ralf Rangnick, the interim manager until the end of the season, is close to getting the best out of the fallen giant of English soccer.

Ronaldo was absent because of a hip injury that Rangnick described as "minor," and United was fairly lackluster as an attacking force at Old Trafford, especially in the second half.

The visitors had two goals disallowed. United goalkeeper David De Gea was his team's most impressive performer with a string of diving saves. Ollie Watkins also struck the crossbar in the first half after an error by United defender Victor Lindelof. "We had to suffer a lot on the pitch," United center back Raphael Varane said.

Villa show guile

It proved to be a disappointing return to United's stadium for Steven Gerrard, the Villa manager who was handed a hostile reception owing to his previous links with Liverpool - United's great rival. Gerrard was unable to select Brazil playmaker Philippe Coutinho, who was signed on loan from Barcelona last week but is currently in France awaiting a work permit. Still, in Jacob Ramsey and Emi Buendia, Villa had two midfielders with the guile and drive of Coutinho and who outshone more celebrated

players in United's midfield. Rangnick has called for United to control games better but his

The lads gave a lot in terms of performance but we need to learn and close the gap from a performance that was nearly good enough. We dominated for large parts but we were not ruthless enough. I've seen enough tonight in terms of the performance to know that I can get to where I want to get to but we need to learn and learn quickly.

Steven Gerrard, Villa manager

players weren't able to do that against Villa, whose passing was sharper and more incisive. "To say that this was a perfect game, nobody would believe that. Of course it was not," Rangnick said. "Still a lot of things to improve but it is easier to do that with a 1-0 win."

The most contentious moment came when Danny Ings thought he equalised by bundling the ball home from close range in the 51st. The buildup to the goal was scrutinized at length by VAR, and it was deemed that Ramsey had been standing in an offside position before he became active in blocking off Edinson Cavani prior to Ezri Konsa heading the ball across goal to Ings. Eight minutes later, Watkins slid in to score but again the goal was disallowed for offside against Ings in the buildup.

United will be hopeful that Ronaldo is fit to return for the team's next game, at Villa in the Premier League on Saturday. *AP*



Scott McTominay

BHAMBRI RETURNS IN STYLE, IN 2ND ROUND

Comeback-man Yuki Bhambri impressed with his match sharpness and attacking net play as the Indian progressed to the second round of Australian Open qualifiers with a comfortable straight set win over Joao Domingues, in Melbourne on Tuesday.

Bhambri, who returned to the Grand Slam stage after 2018 US Open due to knee injury, beat his 248th ranked Portuguese rival 6-4 6-2 in just 68 minutes. The 29-year-old Indian's serve looked decent and he played smartly as he charged the net to keep the points short.

He struggled to rein in his unforced errors in the beginning but earned his first breakthrough in the third game with a forehand winner after a long

rally. Domingues served a double fault to hand the Indian the first break of the match. The Indian claimed the set when he served again.

In the second set too, it was Bhambri who got the first break as he led 4-2. He then served out the match without



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any fuss. Earlier, India's Prajnesh Gunneswaran knocked out third seed Colombian Daniel Elahi Galan from the Australian Open Qualifiers with a straight set victory. *AGENCIES*

QUIZ TIME!

Q1: How many players are there on each side in a basketball match?

- a) 5
- b) 7
- c) 8
- d) 6

Q2: Who was the captain of the first Indian hockey team that participated in the Olympics?

- a) Dhanraj Pillay
- b) Mohammed Shahid
- c) Jaipal Singh
- d) Dhyan Chand

Q3: Who is the highest run scorer in Ranji Trophy Cricket?

- a) Wasim Jaffer
- b) Mohammad Kaif
- c) Sachin Tendulkar
- d) Rahul Dravid

Q4: How many countries participated in the Delhi 2010 Commonwealth Game?

- a) 66
- b) 84
- c) 45
- d) 71

Q5: how many Grand Slam titles has Ashleigh Barty won?

- a) 6

- b) 4
- c) 2
- d) 8

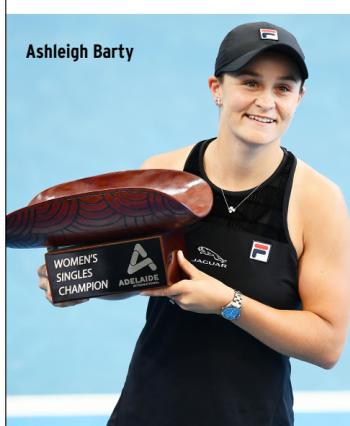


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Q6: The term beamer is associated with which sport?

- a) Football
- b) Swimming
- c) Hockey
- d) Cricket

Q7: What is the Women's Olympic record for Long Jump?

- a) 7.20 m
- b) 7.40 m
- c) 7.52 m
- d) 5.20 m

Q8: Who holds the world record in men's long jump?

- a) Bob Beamon
- b) Mike Powell

- c) Carl Lewis
- d) Juan Miguel

Q9: When was the first time were cancelled?

- a) 1908
- b) 1916
- c) 1915
- d) 1924

ANSWERS:

1. a 5
2. c Jaipal Singh], 3.a Wasim Jaffer
4. d 71, 5. c 2
6. d Cricket, 7. b 7.40 m
8. b Mike Powell
9. b 1916