

Endeavor to instill environmental awareness

For the past 40 years, Earth Day has been celebrated around the world to draw attention to some of our most pressing environmental and social problems, including climate change, overutilization of resources, and ignorance and disrespect towards biodiversity. **DPSG, Palam Vihar** has always made a conscious endeavor to instill environmental awareness and thereby help students understand the metabolic needs of the planet.

A month-long celebration of preservation and protection of mother earth on the school premises unfolded a plethora of activities like the inter-house painting competition, bookmark making competition, poetry composition, and e-waste management drive on the theme of energy conservation and restoration. To understand the magnitude of the problem, the green warriors of the school have put their



best foot forward to act and devise a plan of action to use the resources judiciously. A tree plantation ceremony took place on 6th May to preserve the green belt. Saplings were made available to all students and teachers to give impetus to the cause.

Earth Day as the grand culmination was celebrated on the school premises on May 7. A host

of dignitaries graced the occasion with their benign presence. The chief guest was Dr. Mahendrabhai Munjpara, Minister of State in Women and Child Development and Ministry of Ayush.

The chairman of the DPSG Society, Om Pathak was the guest of honor. The program started with the ceremonial lighting of the

lamp. The Principal, Srividya Sridhar presented the significant journey of the school in adopting myriad initiatives to safeguard planet Earth for future generations. The cultural program that followed was appreciated by one and all.

The prize distribution ceremony to felicitate the winners of the painting competition acknowledged the efforts and aesthetic sensibilities of the winners. Speaking on the occasion, the Chairman, Om Pathak appreciated the initiatives of the budding environmentalists of the school. Dr. Mahendrabhai Munjpara also blessed the students and lauded their efforts with his pearls of wisdom. The exhibition to showcase the effects of climate change was also very enlightening. Overall, the step forward in the right direction to promote the green drive was a show of solidarity toward the ecological and holistic view of the planet.

Mother's day celebrated at MOS

Splendid celebration of Mother's Day took place at the **Mount Olympus School** for moms of pre-primary Section on May 6. The festivities began with a warm welcome of the Moms and their darling kids followed by a fashion show.

The occasion was furthered with the children giving their moms beautiful badges and crowning them with tiaras as a memento of their love for their mothers. We believe that



who possessed commendable skills which made them supermoms.

The event was concluded with a kitchen workshop, where the Club Head of cuisine group demonstrated a recipe of healthy snack for all the kids and prepared delicious pancakes. They were relished by all the spectators.

It was indeed an incredible celebration of rejuvenating love, enthusiasm and ecstatic moments.

Nandini Vats secures bronze at Asia Oceania Cadet Championship

Along with academics, **Queen's Valley School** encourages the students to participate in varied competitions in order to prepare them for the larger world. In the same vein, Judo has continuously been encouraged among QVS sports fraternity. We feel deeply honoured and thrilled to announce that **Nandini Vats of XII-A** (weight category 70kg) has bagged a bronze medal in the **Asia Oceania Cadet Judo Championship, Lebanon**.

Nandini won three fights in Lebanon, Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan and bagged a



bronze medal. Prior to the championship, she had qualified for the Delhi trials held from 29th October-1st November, 2021 at IGI Stadium, Delhi, and next the National Sub Junior and Cadet Judo Championship 2021-22 trials in Chandigarh held from 7th to 13th November 2021.

A special academy for special kids

Modern School, Barakhamba Road, inaugurated 'Sportability' an inclusive academy with world-class sports facilities for children with special needs on May 7. The event marked the initiation of an inclusive sports academy at Modern School.

The event was attended by various dignitaries, including Ashok Pratap Singh, former president, board of trustees, Anuradha Pratap Singh, president, board of trustees, Ambi-

ka Pant, secretary, board of trustees, Mira Pradeep Singh, treasurer, board of trustees, Geetanjali Chanda, member, board of trustees, Col. Chadda, chairman, school managing committee, Modern School, Barakhamba Road, Col. Ashok Mor, director, principal, MNSS Rai and the principal, Dr. Vijay Datta.

Their presence symbolized the support of the Modern School fra-

ternity towards furthering a socially important cause. The day's proceedings were inclusive of highly motivational and congratulatory video

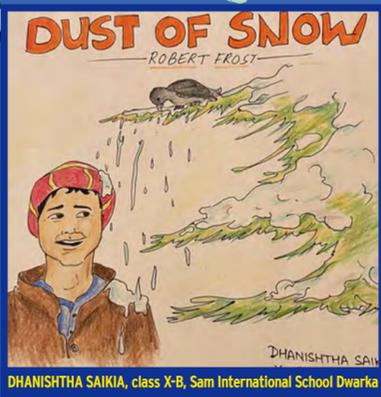


messages from prominent personalities viz Virender Sehwal, Murali Karthik, Ajit Agarkar, and Modern School's alumni, Ayush Badoni.

The event was resplendent with quintessential dance performances by students of different abilities. The day's highlight was the various outdoor activities that were carried out as a glimpse of the actual sports activities which shall be undertaken at the Sportability academy.

Adapted sports events like fitness drills, football, tennis, basketball, and cricket took place to motivate the children with special needs.

student Corner



DHANISHTHA SAIKIA, class X-B, Sam International School Dwarka



PAKKHI KHANNA, class VII D, Manav Sthali School, Rajendra Nagar

Dr. Grace Pinto conferred with 'Her Power Award'

Dr. Grace Pinto, Managing Director, **Ryan International Group of Institutions** was conferred the 'Her Power Award' at the Indian Brand and Leadership Conclave 2022 organized by The Brand Story with telecast partner CNBC TV18 Prime HD on April 30, New Delhi. The award was given by renowned actor and author Kabir Bedi and Vinit Goenka, author and spokesperson BJP, Delhi in the presence of Faggan Singh Kulaste,



Hon'ble Minister for State for Rural Development and Steel, Govt of India. The event was graced by eminent business leaders from across the country. While speaking about this award, Grace Pin-

to said, "We are grateful to 'TBS' for recognizing our efforts in the segment of the education and social sphere. We thank Lord Jesus Christ for his continual favor and blessings upon us. As a group, we continue to nurture global leaders and work for betterment of society through quality education."

The Brand Story Awards aim to felicitate India's leading brands and leaders that have carved a special place for themselves by making a tremendous impact and innovation in their respective sectors. 'Her Power' award is conferred to women of substance and impact, thus celebrating their contribution to the business, arts, social causes, and empowering the underprivileged.

Unlearn

In a world full of people about a hundred million
Everyone with a different opinion,
Different opinions- that lead to conflicts
And conflicts that destroy the peace.
Yet we look for happiness at ease.
But do we ever really, really find it?
In my head, problems and thoughts tumble around
Where solution is nowhere to be found.
But we look for happiness that comes with

peace-
Peace is more than tolerance and acceptance
Something more than the absence of war;
Inner peace is something that we all look for!
It is when we enjoy with family or friends,
Or sleeping all through the weekends.
But then something bothers me.
That why adjustments for her?
Satisfactions for him?
Why can't she go out alone, like he goes for gym?
The ideas of equality and respect have been soiled

Since the start of aborting a girl child.
'Pathetic' women feel inside.
Behind the pain and bruises
Is where she has to hide.
She cries but her pain unheard,
He walks with his head held high,
Yet she being hurt.
We all should fight the war to find peace and humanity.
Coz' no one should bleed for long,
For every girl and boy deserve to belong.
Give her a chance to get salutation

Which men get because of education.
This is where the language of equality is brought in.
When will those empty sheets be filled with stories unheard
Of those left out girls who want to learn?
And if this can't happen, then I'm sorry!
But, what we have learnt
Is what we need to unlearn.



Trisha Juneja, X-C, Bluebells School International, Kallash

THE EDUCATIONIST

NEP 2020 - A road map for futuristic growth

It is no secret that the world is changing at a fast pace. It leaves us with no option but to take up the challenge of keeping pace with the changes: not only with situations around us, but with ourselves as well.

Compounded with this, is the evolving technology that has made the need to foster creativity, a mandatory requirement to keep ourselves 'future ready'!

Yes, creative thinking, analytical thinking and critical thinking are the pillars on which the future will rest.

It is here that the National Education Policy 2020 (NEP) steps in, by being a driving force, especially to the educational institutions in making the teaching learning process competency and project based, experiential, exploratory as well as to develop future ready skills.

In fact, the vision of our nation is attainable by following the guidelines given in the NEP and the government is doing a commendable job to bring about the

much-needed awareness to enable the next generation to move ahead in preparing themselves for the jobs that are still non-existent today. In addition,

workshops, webinars and symposiums are being organised to upgrade the skill-sets of the faculty at schools and colleges to meet the expectations of our progressive NEP 2020.

Exposing students to skill-based education and preparing them for job opportunities from a young age is an excellent move by the NEP 2020. Continuous assessment to facilitate the overall development of students is a way forward for 360-degree assessment. Rather than focusing on year-end examinations, students will be monitored continuously for the expected learning outcomes on a regular basis to prepare them to face the challenges that life has in store for them.

As we mark the completion of the first anniversary of the introduction of NEP 2020, I congratulate the planners and implementers for a job well done and wish the students and faculty a happy futuristic learning.



Manika Carvalho, principal, DPS Bangalore East

Express YOURSELF

Every day has a new learning

I sat there right beside the fireplace holding my cup of chocolate milk tight in my hand, all warm and cozy. I perched on my chair just like a bird does when it gets home after a long day of gathering food.

I wasn't really in the Christmas spirit but the joy inside my heart was uncontrollable as my mind had decided to play only the best of my memories today. Thinking almost every moment I was victorious, wondering how I could've made my victory more memorable.

To me every victory had a story behind it, not much of a struggle story, but how it led me to the position I was in. As I went deeper down memory lane, I came across one of my most exciting stories: The day I won the Annual Quiz Contest that takes place in my locality. However, it wasn't the winning moment I remembered, instead I recalled the day before. Right before the competition, my GK teacher at school was making us memorise facts about animals.

I tried hard but couldn't properly memorise them except for one fact that got stuck in my mind. "The Giant Panda is the logo of the WWF". Long story short, the final question of the quiz competition was based on this very fact. I answered the question as quick as lightning and won my way to glory.

What makes the story even more thrilling was that I wasn't even planning to go to school the day before the quiz because I was unwell. Now I think "What if I hadn't gone to school that day?" "What if I hadn't memorised that fact?" This small recollection made me realise that every day leads to a new learning, which we will use some time in the future for self-betterment.

Steve Jobs had rightly said, "We can connect every dot of our life only when we look back upon them in the right order."

Ayesha Rao, class VIII, Amara Jyothi Public School, K R Puram, Bengaluru

MY LOST TEDDY BEAR

I looked here and I looked there
I couldn't find it anywhere
I checked in cupboards and in drawers
I even looked behind the doors
I searched and searched under my bed
How will I find my precious Ted?
Alas, I cannot sleep
I can't even eat without him
My teddy's name was Tim and We together used to play in the sand



I feel upset and sad
Trying to find the little lad I ask my parents
I ask my aunts I just get a lot of can't
Then I hear something under the bed cover
That shakes my block tower
I see my cat with my precious Tim
I couldn't believe it was really him!

Varnika Sarma, class VI, Silver Oaks International School Sarjapur, Bengaluru

LIVERPOOL BEAT CHELSEA

TO CLINCH FA CUP

KLOPP'S SIDE FINISH 6-5 IN PENALTIES AFTER GOALLESS REGULATION TIME



Kostas Tsimikas scored the winning penalty as Liverpool completed a domestic cup double with a 6-5 shootout victory against Chelsea in the FA Cup Final on Saturday. In a result that matches their EFL Cup Final victory over the same opponents three months ago, Liverpool held their nerve to beat the Blues in a shootout after a goalless match to keep their quadruple hopes alive.

Sadio Mane had a chance to win it for Liverpool with their fifth penalty but his effort was saved by Edouard Mendy, sending the shootout to sudden death.

Cesar Azpilicueta had earlier missed with the Blues' second spot-kick and Liverpool's Alisson then made the decisive save from Mason Mount from Chelsea's seventh, allowing Tsimikas to clinch it.

GAME OF CHANCES

It was the first penalty shootout in an FA Cup Final for 16 years - when Liverpool beat West Ham in Cardiff - and,



Liverpool's Kostas Tsimikas scores the winning penalty in the shootout that saw the reds win 6-5

though this game finished goalless, it was packed with chances. Andy Robertson was guilty of missing the best of them and it seemed easier to score than miss for the Liverpool full-back when he was unmarked three yards out. Instead,

he cannoned the post. Man of the match Luis Diaz was the driving force behind Liverpool and he also hit the frame of the goal, while Marcos Alonso went closest for Chelsea with a free-kick that hit the bar. **ANI**

Liverpool's Jordan Henderson lifts the trophy after winning the English FA Cup final soccer match between Chelsea and Liverpool, at Wembley stadium, in London, Saturday. Liverpool won 6-5 on penalties after the game ended in a goalless draw.

“When we arrived at the penalty shootout we tried to do the best we can. We were ready for it. Unfortunately this time it didn't happen again.”
CESAR AZPILICUETA, Chelsea captain

ESPANYOL HELD BY VALENCIA 1-1

Espanyol was held by Valencia 1-1 at home, a day after the club fired its coach and sports director with two games remaining in the Spanish league. The result was somewhat meaningless to both sides, who are destined to finish near the middle of the table and out of both the relegation battle and the berths for European competition. Espanyol striker Raúl de Tomás equalized in first-half injury time after the opener from Maxi Gómez. De Tomás took his league tally to 17 goals.

Espanyol fired coach Vicente Moreno and sports director Francisco "Rufete" Pérez on Friday with its fans angry about the team's poor finish to the season. Reserve team coach Luis Blanco

took over as caretaker. "Given the strange situation we faced after the change of coach and sports director, I think the team responded well," Espanyol midfielder David López said.

López teared up in the post-match interview when asked about his future, which is in doubt along with other veteran players such as 40-year-old goalkeeper Diego López. "The most important thing is to give it your all," he said after regaining his composure. Valencia remained in 10th and Espanyol in 13th. The match was the only game of the second-to-last round not to be played on Sunday at 7:30 p.m. local time, when several teams will try to avoid relegation. **AP**

DC, PBKS FIGHT FOR MUST-WIN GAME

BOTH TEAMS ATTEMPT TO KEEP PLAY-OFFS HOPES ALIVE

Two teams struggling for consistency, Delhi Capitals and Punjab Kings, will aim to outdo each other in a bid to keep their play-offs hopes alive in the Indian Premier League on Monday. Both teams are yet to string back-to-back wins this season but neither side can afford another defeat in their remaining league games. Punjab are seventh on the points table with 12 points and a Net Run Rate of +0.023. Capitals also have a dozen points and are fifth thanks to a healthy NRR of +0.210, which will benefit them if two or more teams end on same number of points.

CLOSE TO PERFECT GAME

The Capitals head to the fixture high on confidence after an eight wicket-win over Rajasthan Royals while Punjab pummeled RCB in their previous game. In Delhi skipper Rishabh Pant's words "it was close to a perfect game". While opener David Warner continues to enjoy his purple patch, the second opening slot remains a cause of concern with Mandeep Singh and Srikar Bharat failing miserably in Prithvi Shaw's absence, who has also

not fared well this season.

To DC's relief Mitchell Marsh finally joined the party. The big-hitting all-rounder shook off the rust to star with the bat and ball against RR. His and Warner's role will be crucial. A lot will also rest on how Pant performs. The skipper looked in his element during his unconquered short 4-ball stay against RR as he whacked two sixes but hasn't played the match-winning innings he is capa-

Prithvi Shaw, who was down with typhoid, has been discharged from the hospital, it is to be seen if the youngster is fit enough to play the crucial game on Monday



ble of yet. They will have to navigate through a bowling attack led by Rabada, who is the highest wicket taker among pacers.

DO-OR-DIE GAME

The DC bowling department, on the other hand, was right on the mark against RR. Young Chetan Sakaria bowled brilliantly in the absence of Khaleel Ahmed, who injured his hamstring, while pace spearhead Anrich Nortje is also finding his rhythm.

Dhawan has been Punjab's leading-run getter with 400 plus and he will be expected to rise to the occasion in a do-or-die game. Bairstow has found his groove after being promoted to the top alongside Dhawan and that is a big positive for the team. Bhanuka Rajapaksa, who has impressed with his hitting ability, will need to do more than playing a flash in the pan sort of innings. Skipper Mayank Agarwal, who has moved himself down the order, has been far from his best with the bat this season. With the team seeking survival, there will be no better time for him to play a captain's knock on Monday. **PII**

DJOKOVIC BACK IN A BIG FINAL VS TSITSIPAS AT ITALIAN OPEN

This is just what Novak Djokovic needed a week before the French Open. The top-ranked Serb beat Casper Ruud 6-4, 6-3 at the Italian Open on Saturday to reach his biggest final of the year. Having missed a big portion of the season because he wasn't vaccinated against the coronavirus, Djokovic will attempt to extend his five-match winning streak over Stefanos Tsitsipas in Sunday's final. "I can expect a big battle," Djokovic said. "But I'm ready for it." Tsitsipas reached his first Rome final by rallying past Alexander Zverev 4-6, 6-3, 6-3. Djokovic is seeking his sixth title in the Italian capital.

Djokovic recorded the 1,000th win of his career, making him only the fifth man to reach that mark after Jimmy Connors (1,274 wins), Roger Federer (1,251), Ivan Lendl



Novak Djokovic (1,088) and Rafael Nadal (1,051). After the match, Djokovic was presented with a cake with "1,000" written on it. "I've looked back to those matches. I've analyzed them," Tsitsipas said. **PII**



Rahul Chahar

IN A FIRST, INDIA WIN THOMAS CUP

SCRIPT HISTORY WITH STUNNING 3-0 VICTORY OVER POWERHOUSE INDONESIA

Indian badminton team created history on Sunday as they lifted the Thomas Cup trophy for the very first time. In what was India's first-ever appearance in the tournament finale, they defeated the record 14-time champions Indonesia in the Thomas Cup 2022 final at the Impact Arena in Bangkok, Thailand by 3-0 to lift the coveted trophy.

The Indian team, competing in their first final of the men's team championship, sealed the title when world number 11 Kidambi Srikanth defeated Jonatan Christie 21-15, 23-21. A devastated Indonesia, the tournament's most successful team having previously won it 14 times, could not keep pace with the fire brought by the Indian team - who joyfully

rushed the court following Srikanth's win.

India were already 2-0 up, with Lakshya Sen beating Anthony Ginting in the first singles match and then Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty defeating Mohammad Ahsan and Kevin Sukamuljo in the doubles.

BRILLIANT SHOW

No Indian team has previously reached the final of the Thomas and Uber Cup in its 70-plus year history. Indian men reached the Thomas Cup semi-finals in 1952, 1955 and 1979 while the women's team made it to the Uber Cup top-four in 2014 and 2016.

India finished second in Group C behind Chinese Taipei to qualify for the knockout stage, where they

came up on top against strong Malaysian and Danish teams in the quarter-finals and semifinals, respectively. Starting the tie, Lakshya Sen clinched the first point for India after defeating Anthony Ginting 8-21, 21-17, 21-16. Ginting looked fast, accurate and extremely dangerous in the opening stage, enjoying a twelve-point run, to claim the opening game 21-8 in just 17 minutes. But Lakshya Sen responded brilliantly in the second game to take the match to the decider, by winning it 21-17. Sen completed the comeback by winning the match 8-21, 21-17, 21-16.

ON GOOD ACCOUNT

In the second match of the tie, the Indonesian scratch pairing of Mo-

hammad Ahsan and Kevin Sanjaya Sukamuljo got off to the right start after winning their opening match 21-18. Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty then survived four match points to come back and snatch the win in the second game, 23-21. Indians won the deciding game to clinch the match 18-21, 23-21, 21-19. In the third match of the tie, India's Kidambi Srikanth took the opening game against Indonesia's Jonatan Christie 21-15 and clinched the match and final by winning the second game 23-21. The Indian team, featuring Lakshya Sen, Kidambi Srikanth, HS Prannoy, doubles pair Satwiksairaj Rankireddy-Chirag Shetty and others, have given a good account of themselves at this year's tournament. **AGENCIES**



India's Satwiksairaj Rankireddy (L) and Chirag Shetty (R) celebrate after defeating Indonesia's Mohammad Ahsan and Kevin Sanjaya Sukamuljo during the men's finals of the Thomas and Uber Cup badminton tournament in Bangkok on May 15, 2022.