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MAHATMA GANDHI AND LAL BAHADUR SHASTRI JAYANTI CELEBRATION

October 2, 2024

Our school celebrated the birth anniversaries of Lal Bahadur Shastri and Mahatma Gandhi with great enthusiasm. All students participated in Shramdaan, helping to clean classrooms and assisting the Didis and Bhaiyas.

Robin House presented a play commemorating Gandhi Jayanti, which highlighted Gandhi Ji's life and his philosophies. During lunchtime, council members served meals to the children and aided the Bhaiyas. It was a wonderful day filled with learning and community spirit.





WILDLIFE WEEK CELEBRATIONS

October 03-07, 2024



Day 1 : October 3, 2024

The Wildlife Week celebrations commenced with a short play titled "Let's Calculate - Paper," written by Ms. Garvita Waldia, a former student. The skit raised awareness about the use and misuse of paper, emphasizing the environmental impact of paper consumption and the importance of making eco-friendly choices.

Shri Suniti Bhushan Dutta, a distinguished wildlife biologist and nature educator, guided the children on a nature walk, where they experienced the beauty of nature first hand. Participants learned about diverse flora and fauna, including various insects like butterflies and moths. Students from Him Jyoti School, Dehradun

Hills Academy, Brooklyn School, and The Doon Girls' School joined the walk.

The day's highlight was a collective oath taken by the children, with a commitment to reduce paper waste, recycle whenever possible, and support sustainable paper products.



Day 2 : October 5, 2024

As part of Wildlife Week, a workshop titled "Nature and Poetry" was conducted by renowned educator and former principal of Welham Girls' School, Mrs. Jyotsna Brar. She emphasized the significance of poetry in connection with nature and taught an easy method to write a five-line poem known as Diamante.

Example:

Teacher
tiny, smart

hardworking, inspiring, teaching
never gives up

Ans. Ant

by- Anaya Singh, DPS Vikasnagar
Students from classes eight to ten



from Him Jyoti School, The Doon Girls' School, Dehradun Hills Academy, and DPS Vikasnagar participated in the workshop.

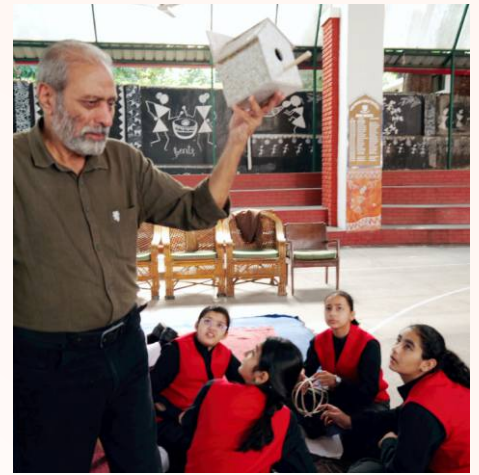


Day 3 : October 7, 2024

The event began with a workshop conducted under the guidance of the well-known environmentalist Mr. Rakesh Khatri, also known as the Nest Man of India. During this workshop, students learned how to make bird nests and the intricacies of their maintenance

The Doon Girls' School presented a captivating song on climate change titled "Pyare-Pyare Maati Mangal Pyare Hain Sab Jeev-Jungle"

Students from The Doon School, Welham Girls' School, The Doon Girls' School, Dehradun Hills Academy, and DPS Vikasnagar participated in this workshop.



A VISIT TO THE GENERAL POST OFFICE, DEHRADUN

October 9, 2024

On 9.10.2024, a group of 47 students, accompanied by 5 teachers, visited the post office near Clock Tower, Dehradun on the occasion of World Post Day. Upon arrival, the post office staff gave us an informative session about their services. They explained how we can send postcards to our family and loved ones, as well as documents via simple post and speed post. We also learned that the post office handles parcels weighing up to 35 kg.

An interesting service they mentioned was the availability of Gangajal, which can be purchased at the post office and sent to anyone across the country. This allows people to send sacred water from the Ganges to their loved ones, especially those who may not have access to it.

The staff highlighted the government's savings schemes for girls and women, offering attractive interest rates, encouraging us to save money at the post office. They then showed us the Philatelic Bureau, where we saw a variety of stamps and learned that it is possible to personalize stamps with our own pictures.

Additionally, we were informed that the post office offers services related to Aadhaar, including enrollment and updates. We were also shown the mail sorting area, where we observed how letters and packages are organized for delivery.

The visit was both educational and engaging, with students learning many new things about the post office's diverse services.



VISIT TO NIVH, DEHRADUN

October 10, 2024

On the 10th of October 2024 students from classes 6, 7 and 8 visited the National Institute for Persons with Visual disabilities (NIVH), Dehradun. They headed straight to the office of the Director, NIVH Dehradun. While the students were in the audio recording studio of NIVH, the Director NIVH addressed the students and answered the questions raised by the students.

Students were elated to visit the FM studio and they readily interacted

with the radio jockey present.

The students also visited the library and gained insight into the Braille writing system.

Students were excited when they entered the computer lab for the visually challenged and they gained more knowledge on the way the visually challenged use the digital platforms. Students also visited the science lab and they understood the modification made to suit the needs of the visually challenged.

Students were shown the complete process of the printing of the Braille manuscripts.

The visit to NIVH, Dehradun was very informative for the students. The students appreciated the endeavors made by NIVH to improve the quality of life for the visually impaired.



MILITARY HISTORY SEMINAR (MHS)

October 9-10, 2024

The 8th Military History Seminar (MHS) was held at Welham Boys' School from October 9 to 10, 2024. This prestigious event brought together students and delegates from various schools from all over India to engage in discussions and activities centered around military history, particularly focusing on the Kargil War.

It was a remarkable experience for all the participants, including the ten girls from our school.



DUSSHERA CELEBRATION

October 13, 2024

The Dehradun Boys' School recently hosted an impressive Dusshera program that showcased the life story of Lord Rama, drawing inspiration from the Ramcharitmanas. The event was a celebration of cultural heritage and spirituality, with the students delivering remarkable performances.

The boys portrayed the characters from the epic with great enthusiasm and skill, bringing the narrative to life. Each performance was well-rehearsed, highlighting the essence of the story and the moral values it imparts.

In addition to the dramatic presentations, the choir delivered an exceptional performance, singing Chaupais and Dohas with clarity and emotion. Their harmonious voices added a beautiful dimension to the program, enhancing the overall atmosphere.

The event was a resounding success, reflecting the hard work and dedication of both the students and their teachers. It not only entertained but also educated the audience about the significance of Dusshera and the teachings of Lord Rama.



EXCURSION/MIDTERM 2024

October 16-19, 2024

Our students had an exciting mid-term trip, exploring the vibrant cities of Delhi and Jaipur, and the serene hill station of Mussoorie. In Delhi, they discovered historical landmarks; in Jaipur, they immersed themselves in royal heritage; and in Mussoorie, they enjoyed nature's beauty, making the trip both educational and memorable.



MID TERM TRIP





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49TH JUNIOR NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

October 24-27, 2024

Two of our students (Christine Neelam and Mridini Chauhan) qualified for the nationals and they represented Uttarakhand in their categories.

Yoga Federation of India is the founder and full member of International Yoga Federation, founded in 1987.

Christine: Age 10-12yrs category

Mridini: Age 12-14 yrs category

The championship was held in the Indira Gandhi Stadium, Una. Students from all over India participated in this championship. Our students performed very well but did not get any position.



INTER-HOUSE DANCE COMPETITION

October 29, 2024

On October 29, 2024, our school hosted an engaging and vibrant folk dance program aimed at promoting cultural heritage and diversity. The event featured a variety of traditional dances, each representing the rich tapestry of our country's folk traditions prepared by Ms. Rini Chakrvrity, Kathak Teacher.

Program Highlights

1. Cheraw Dance by Koel House

Dancers - Hasrat Kaur Brar, Akshaya, Shreya Midhha, Aalina Chauhan, Christine Neelam.

2. Tippani Dance by Robin House

Dancers - Kavita Bisht, Mishika Agarwal, Jainandini, Amaira Gagneja, Aarshi Pandey, Sinaki Bhuyan





Dancers - Abhik Lohia, Kayaan Bhandula, Aarv Garg, Hardik Rastogi, Triney Bansal

traditions that enrich our community. The enthusiasm and participation of everyone involved made this event truly memorable.

The event culminated in a mesmerizing Kuchipudi dance performance by a talented Grade 6 student, Akshaya. Having previously performed at the prestigious Viraasat platform, which promotes art and culture in Uttarakhand, her performance was a stunning display of skill and passion.

It was declared that henceforth the dance competition will be held as a Dance Festival. It will be an Inter-House Dance festival.

3. Lambadi Dance by Cuckoo House

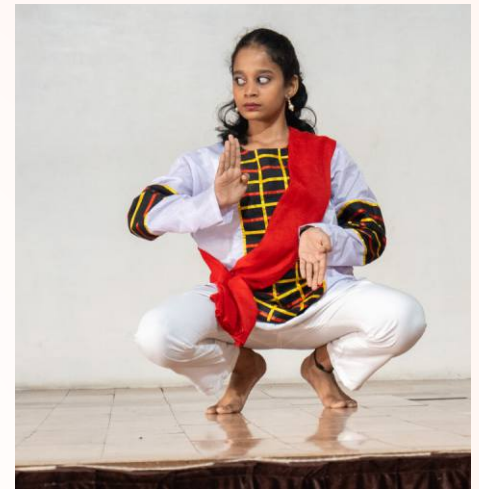
Dancers - Tenzin Choizom, Samaira Gagneja, Yashashvi Yadav, Tok Riza, Aryanshi Verma, Sanskriti Mehrotra

4. Bengali Dance by Myna House

Dancers - Shrivali Singh, Anoki Bhuyan, Misheeta Mittal, Tenzin Youdon, Chrisann Sequeira, Sanskriti Gupta

5. Pahadi Dance by Boys school

The folk dance program was a resounding success, bringing together students, parents, and teachers in a celebration of our cultural heritage. It provided a platform for students to showcase their talents and fostered a deeper appreciation for the diverse



VIRASAT 2024: A CELEBRATION OF TALENT AND CULTURE

October 19-29, 2024

Virasat, an annual cultural festival, is held in Dehradun with the aim of providing a platform for artists of all levels, from emerging talents to seasoned performers. The event has become a significant occasion where individuals from various artistic domains—whether in dance, music, or other art forms—can showcase their skills to a wider audience. The festival is renowned for its inclusivity and its role in promoting art and culture across regions, making it a coveted stage for performers of all ages.

This year, our school had the privilege of having three incredibly talented students perform at Virasat, and their participation has left a lasting impression. It was indeed an honor for our school to be represented by such dedicated and gifted young artists.

Performances by Our Students

1. Saisha Jain and Vedant Khetan – (vocals), Saisha Jain and Vedant Khetan, two of our school's most talented vocalists, showcased their remarkable skills in a classical music

performance. They chose to perform Raag Bhairav, a morning raga known for its grandeur and solemnity, which was a bold and sophisticated choice for the stage. Their rendition of the raga captivated the audience with its intricate nuances and emotive depth. The duo's perfect synchronization, pitch control, and expressiveness were truly commendable, and their performance not only impressed the audience but also earned them widespread acclaim from music enthusiasts and critics alike.

2. Akshaya Elapanda – Kuchipudi Dance Performance. Another highlight of the event was Akshaya's beautiful Kuchipudi dance performance. Kuchipudi is a classical dance form originating from Andhra Pradesh, known for its grace, intricate footwork, and storytelling elements. Akshaya's performance was an exquisite representation of this art form, as she flawlessly executed the delicate movements and intricate expressions that form the core of Kuchipudi. Her graceful posture, rhythmic precision, and emotive

expression brought the traditional dance form to life on stage, receiving a standing ovation from the audience. Akshaya's dedication to her craft was evident in every step she took, and her performance was a true testament to her hard work and passion for the art.

We are incredibly proud of Saisha, Vedant Khetan, and Akshaya Elapanda for representing our school at Virasat. Their achievements reflect the talent and passion that our school encourages and nurtures. It is our hope that their success will inspire other students to explore their artistic interests and strive for excellence in whatever field they choose.



SPORTS SECTION



SFA CHAMPIONSHIP 2024-25

October 14, 2024

SFA- Sports For All (SFA): This year's championships took place across 10 cities and featured over 150,000 participants from more than 7,000 of India's top sporting schools. The event kicked off on October 4 in Uttarakhand and culminated in the final championship hosted in Jaipur from December 6-16.

The SFA Championships served as an unprecedented platform for school contingents to compete for the title of Uttarakhand's best school in sports.

The event emphasized not only competitive spirit but also teamwork, dedication, and sportsmanship.

The Doon Girls' School proudly participated in this year's SFA Championships. Our students participated in various events like Athletics, Karate, Table Tennis, Basketball, Badminton etc.

Out of 169 participating schools, our institution achieved a commendable 11th place. This performance showcased the talent and hard work

of our athletes.

The SFA Championships 2024-25 marked a significant milestone in the development of grassroots sports in India. With the support of institutions like The Doon Girls School, SFA aims to inspire young athletes and build a robust sporting culture that would benefit the nation in the long run. We looked forward to further engagement and success in the upcoming events.



