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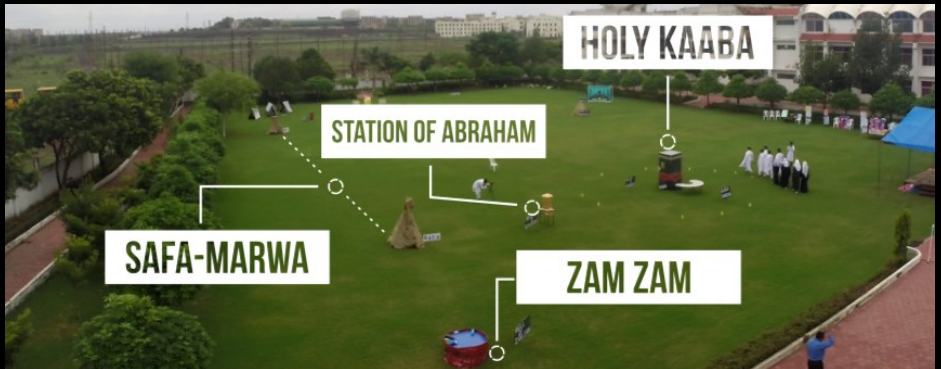
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THE HAJJ EVENT 2019



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Hajj event is one of the most awaited events at EPS and we look forward to the reverent aura that it brings forth every year. It took place in EPS campus in a soothing environment filled with the sounds of "Labbaik....", on 7th July'2019. Alhamdulillah, we all were fortunate enough to be a part of this momentous occasion. We had an amazing time and learned so much, both as students and as volunteers throughout the process of Hajj event.

It was a combination of athleticism, coordination and enthusiasm. It was a chance for us to test our skills, polish them and use them in the best possible way.

Students demonstrated their knowledge and skills through Quranic recitations, Nasheeds, Inspirational Speeches by our School Captain and Head of the School, Seerah Trail based on the journey through life of our beloved Prophet Muhammed (Pbuh), Hajj Games and Hajj stations. The best part of the entire day was Hajj Demo, through which students tried to explain the steps of Hajj using a mesmerizing set-up of Hajj props. Right from welcoming the Hajjis till giving them farewell with gifts- it was an enlightening experience for us.

Allhamdulillah, the entire event was a memorable time and paid off by the uplifting feedback and duas that we received from our beloved guests.

May Allah give us chance to perform Hajj, once in our lifetime..Aameen! (By Tasneem Khan, Khizra Taj, Madiha Arshad - Grade 11)



READING WEEK 2019

Whenever you read a good book, somewhere in the world a door opens to allow in more light - Vera Nazarian

The book fever swept through EPS, from 15th July to 22nd July as the PYP Reading week celebrations got under way. 'Reading Week' began with a sparkle, keeping in view the aim that reading books not only empowers each of us but can unite us too. The entire week witnessed great exhilaration and excitement all around the school campus. It was a fun packed week with children immersed in a plethora of activities to develop understanding of how books can entertain and inspire all of us.

The students got an opportunity to participate in various activities to inculcate the habit of reading. To promote this habit, the school Library and the HRT's arranged activities like Scavenger hunt, Writing Books Reviews, Reading Tour, Artful Artists, Secret Code, Crafting Bookmarks, Story Telling sessions and many more. The students thoroughly enjoyed this stress free week as it ignited the minds of the young learners.

Since, the students of today's age lack the passion for reading, this initiative taken by EPS seems to be instrumental in bringing a positive change. It was indeed an enriching and fun-filled week for the students.

The Reading Week filled with activities came to an end with lots of success stories and accomplishments. We the organizers are delighted that the week went in a smooth way as the students participated in different activities with great interest and enthusiasm.

The culmination of this week was Character Parade, where the students dressed up as their favorite book authors and characters. It was a wonderful way to end an exciting Reading Week with great success. (By Fahreena Ashwaq - Teacher Librarian)

Eid Party 2019

Though the Festival of Eid-ul-Fitr was celebrated on 4th June this year but our EPSites were equally excited to celebrate the Eid Day with their EPS family on 24th June, 2019.

The students' enthusiasm was contagious as they greeted their teachers with broad smiles and colorful clothes early morning. The chatter and laughter filled the school campus: some sharing their plans while others showing their Eid Attire and chatting about the dishes they brought. It was not only Eid celebration but also 'Back to School Day' after summer vacations. Everyone was catching up with their friends, sharing their Ramadan activities and Eidi they collected. The day concluded with thoughts on pursuit of goodness leading to good habits; for which we seek best rewards in Akhirah from Allah (swt).

(By **Mariya Umar** - Educator ISP Department)



GRADE 3 A ASSEMBLY

Grade 3A conducted a wonderful assembly on water pollution and water conservation based on their Unit of Inquiry. They performed a skit and Ayesha was the main character who saw people throwing garbage in the lake. She took an action to save water from pollution by making people aware about it. A water rally was also conducted by the grade to spread awareness across the school campus. This assembly made everyone think about their choices regarding water usage.

Javed sir appreciated the powerful message given by the students. He asked the audience to find out wherever water wastage is taking place in the school campus and inform teachers about it. Now we all are water savors. At the end an inspirational 'Student talk' was given by Usman Khan of Grade 5A on the 'Consequences of Aggression'.

By **Umme Kulsum** - Grade 3 A



We never know the worth of water till
the well is dry... - Thomas Fuller

GRADE 8 B ASSEMBLY

On 10th July the students of Grade 8 presented an assembly on the topic 'Importance of parents'. It was one of the best experiences for us. Many students participated with a lot of zeal; all of us came fully prepared for our roles.

While preparing for it we could understand the importance of our parents in Islam. There are multiple surahs in the Holy Quran and several Hadith depicting the importance of love and care towards parents.

First, we had Quranic recitation and its translation then we did a comic skit on the importance of parents followed by a speech. Lastly, we recited a heart touching Nasheed with a video.

Our assembly was well received and appreciated- all because of Allah's blessings and our teacher's guidance. (By **Abdullah Tahir** - Grade 8B)





NEW PARENTS POP

“Behind every young child who believes in himself is a parent who believed in him first, so the most important key to child's success is positive involvement of a parent” - Mathew L. Jacobson

EPS perceive parents as important stakeholders to build a strong community of learners. Believing in the truth that parent-school consociation is an integral part in the process of student learning, EPS organized an orientation session specially designed for parents new to IB programme. It was conducted on Saturday 28th June, 2019. This included informative session about IB programmes at EPS conducted by the Head of School followed by programme specific breakaway sessions lead by programme coordinators. The PYP parent orientation was lead by Ms. Humera Riyaz – PYP programme coordinator and Middle Year's session by Dr Fraz. The orientation programme was a great opportunity to be cognizant to each other and foster Parent-school partnership. It was specially tailored in a way to serve the emerging queries of new parents about the programme and designed in a way to make them aware of programme requirements.

PYP Parents got excited when they became an active part of learning by participating in group activities like making essential agreements, bingo and connected their hopes and dreams for their kids with mission EPS. They were fascinated to know that this is how their kids study in EPS which makes learning such a fun. It was enthralling to see their reflections flashing on the screen as they shared their big takeaways from the session.

Active participation by parents in both the Orientation programmes made it a grand success.

(By Humera Riyaz - PYP Coordinator)

GRADE 8 A ASSEMBLY

“ALONE WE CAN DO SO LITTLE; TOGETHER WE CAN DO SO MUCH.” - Hellen Keller

A memorable day for grade 8A that we all will cherish for a long time was our class assembly which took place on July 17, 2019. It was organized during the Reading Week of our school. The theme of our assembly was importance of reading. We chose this theme since we wanted to make students aware of good reading habits. Keeping the main idea in mind, we portrayed a book on stage who was feeling sad because these days no one reads books. We also prepared a speech on the same topic. We concluded the assembly with the message -

“The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn the more places you'll go.” - Dr. Seuss

(By Madiha Khan & Alisha Aaftab - Grade 8 A)



GRADE 3 B ASSEMBLY

Assembly of grade 3 B took place on Monday 15th July 2019. The topic of their assembly was 'Growth Mindset' (eliminating the mindset of CAN'T).

Students presented a robotics act to show the audience that it's okay to make mistakes as it is an essential part of learning. The portrayal of Charlie Chaplin reflected the importance of Growth Mindset, making Chaplin the finest Silent Movie Actor ever. There were thought provoking presentations on the failure and success stories of famous personalities like Albert Einstein, Thomas Edison, J.K Rowling and Walt Disney.

Through their powerful acts, they all tried to validate that growth mindset is a belief, to take control of our own ability to improve. It was the dedication and hard work of all the students and our teacher that we executed everything so efficiently. (By Khadeeja Abrar - Grade 3 B)

