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EPS MUN



YOUNG MINDS.
GLOBAL ISSUES.

Model United Nations (MUN) is a conference that takes place at various schools and colleges for individuals to build their confidence, develop critical thinking, problem solving and communication skills while having formal debates. It also gives students an opportunity to work with others on a global scale. EPS hosted its third chapter of Inter School MUN on 27th and 28th July, 2019.

We received active participation from various schools including Bal Bhawan, Carmel Convent, St. Josephs Convent, Sanskar Valley, Holy Family and Qalam Public School. This time we even had Chairs, Co-chairs and the International Press individuals from other schools such as Carmel convent, DPS and GVN which made the committee debates more zestful, dynamic and lively. Approximately 300 students participated,



representing themselves as the delegate of one of the six committees- DISEC, UNHCR, UNDP, UNST, UNESCO and Lok Sabha. The event was divided into three parts - an opening ceremony followed by six committees' sessions concluding with the closing ceremony at the end of the second day. The moments of crisis and conflict, negotiations and leadership were evident in every committee. Delegates shouting, making their valid points, urging other delegates to support them were some of the highlights of the event.

MUN has made me more confident as an individual and has enhanced my overall self-esteem. Now I have enough courage to be the person I want to be, taking stand for the right cause and walk through life unafraid of being judged or dismissed by my peers. I also believe that the delegates who have been a part of the MUN feel the same. (By **Zehra Ibrahim** - Grade 12)



INITIATING PATRIOTISM



INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATIONS

EPS celebrated 73rd Independence Day with unprecedented patriotic fervor on 15th August, 2019. The gamut of celebration activities held on the campus consisted of morning assembly, flag hoisting followed by echoes of National Anthem, Tarana by middle school students and an impactful speech by the Head of School. He told students about the great sacrifices it took for the freedom of our country and how we should be responsible citizens day in and day out.

At the end of the programme, sweets were distributed in celebration of our freedom and joy. Indeed, it was a day of jubilation, a day to love and respect our country and make it a better place for Indians to live and experience the freedom, peace and unity in diversity. (By Mishkaat Khan - Editor)



EY RAIN SOAKED DAY

There's a reason for closed doors, unanswered prayers and unrelenting clouds. If your plans don't workout it's because your Lord has better ones for you. -Anonymous

Early Years' 'Rain-soaked Day' was rescheduled to Friday, 26th July after tracking strong indications of rain for the day by IMD, but nature had decided otherwise.

It was a bit disappointing for teachers but young kids have a fantastic ability to adapt to new and unforeseen situations; and enjoy themselves no matter what. They created a rainbow with their pretty, brightly colored monsoon wear, raincoats and umbrellas and cheered up the spirit of the entire EY.

The other big attraction of the day is always a huge hit with young and old foodies alike- the preparation of monsoon goodies. The kids watched with twinkling, delighted eyes and eager taste-buds; the journey of sizzling hot corns, pakodas and dumplings, right from the kitchen containers to their plates.

The teachers discussed 'water cycle' in nature and asked students to praise Allah for sending rainwater for the sustenance of living things and continuation of life on Earth. And it seems Allah answered our praise by soaking the entire city with bountiful rains in the following days. (By Fozia Mehfooz - EY Coordinator)

GRADE 5C ASSEMBLY

It was a phenomenal experience for grade 5C students as we staged our annual assembly on 22nd August, 2019. It was different and unique event for entire PYP. We presented a theatre play 'The legend of Hua Mulan' for the first time that left our audience enthralled. The tale of Hua Mulan is a legend from ancient China. We included stage backdrop, light design and we were dressed in colorful Chinese dresses called 'Kimono'.

To give a grand closure to our assembly, we showed the audience 'Behind the scenes' video as well, which was much enjoyed by everyone. The students and teachers diligently worked on this assembly and it was much appreciated by all.

(By Zunaira Ali khan & Ziya Aziz - Grade 5C)





MOTHERS' MEET

Parents and teachers both play a very important part in shaping children's personalities. The Mothers' Meet series is a fantastic initiative taken up by EPS - a concept that I didn't experience with any other school before.

Every session begins with a recapitulation of the previous sessions. The Islamic teachings and perspective towards parenting are guiding lights in all sessions. Though I'm an active and conscious mother, Mothers' Meets are constant eye-openers that are full of guidance, learning, ideas and solutions. The latest session about health and nutrition was nothing less.

EPS collaborated with Consultant Physiotherapist and NASM Certified Fitness Nutrition Specialist, Dr Jubeen Kamran to put together a very informative and interactive session. Apart from sharing the importance of

good nutrition she also stressed on how our behavior towards our children affects their psychology and therefore their behavior and eating patterns. We need to create a comfortable, friendly and peaceful environment at home and also be good examples for them to encourage healthy eating.

All mothers and teachers enthusiastically planned and learned new, quick and easy recipes by participating in a nutritious recipe competition. Groups with the best recipes won prizes and super mom badges. Kudos and thanks to EPS for yet another important and well-organized Mothers' Meet. As always I look forward to upcoming sessions. (By **Saba Iftikhar** - Mother of Aisha Bint Ausim Grade 7A)



GRADE 3C ASSEMBLY

We often tend to neglect small things in our daily life but they might have a huge impact. This was the central theme of Grade 3rd C's assembly. Students showcased the importance of attending the school daily through a simple yet comprehensible skit. They also exhibited the impact of small lies on our character.

To the extension of grade 3rd B's assembly theme which was focused on growth mindset, grade 3rd C's students showcased its implication in our lives with Islamic values. They tried to convey a message that beating the devil on each little step and following the Sunnah of our beloved Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) is the key to open the doors of satisfaction in the worldly life and success which will lead us to the Paradise Inshallah. (By **Maryam** - HRT Gr 3 C)

PYP POP

EPS organized PYP Parents Orientation Programme on 27th of July 2019 to address various concerns and queries raised by parents.

The session started with the holistic development of the child which is the main aim and objective of the school. It was conducted by the homeroom teachers of PYP in their respective classes, which was attended by the parents in order to understand the process, content and the criterion of teaching and learning of their wards. This was a very helpful session for the parents especially for the new ones. The discussions revolved around the introduction of teachers, content to be covered in Unit of inquiry, Mathematics, Language, PE and Arts, Curriculum Overviews, Assessments, Homework and extracurricular activities. The teachers gave detailed information about learning parameters and stressed upon the innovative teaching and learning methodologies followed in school. Parents experienced the learning process as they were engaged in different activities like learner profile activities, quiz on essential elements of PYP, watching videos and giving the reflection by drawing their understanding. The programme concluded successfully by taking parents reflections and with an aim of growing our children into happy, courageous and lifelong learners.

(By **Anam Sultan, Aqsa Sheeraz & Summaiya Ali** - PYP Educators)





CAREER COUNSELING SESSIONS

Living in a world where there is a dearth of knowledge and awareness regarding the various career options, each student faces common questions concerning their streams. This is where career counselling plays a pivotal role. Career counselling helps us get an insight into ourselves, know more about our areas of strengths and improvements, and take well-informed career-related decisions. Perceiving this significance, EPS organized 3 career-counselling sessions this month witnessing experts from the Mindler, Krea University, and Anant National University. Mr Deepankar from Mindler highlighted on the pre-requisites required for abroad education, scholarships and the importance of having a holistic profile.

The college officers essentially emphasized the scope of pursuing careers in fields other than the stereotypical ones, the concept of interwoven or multi-disciplinary learning and the courses and scholarships provided by their respective universities.

All the sessions were highly informative and interactive. Certainly, such sessions certify that the finest opportunities, support and guidance are given to each EPSite to take the most appropriate career-related decisions in their near future. (By **Khizara Taj** - Grade 11)

GRADE 7B ASSEMBLY



Our class assembly based on the theme "sacrifice" took place on 7th August, 2019. Throughout the Assembly we represented many aspects of sacrifice. The students showcased a skit on the same topic followed by quotations. We also gave some tips to the audience about how to maximize our rewards in the auspicious 10 days of Dhul Hijjah. Our assembly concluded with a heart touching poem on 'father and son relationship' which should inspire us to never forget the sacrifices our parents have made for us. (By **Saif Javed** - Grade 7B)

الحمد لله مکتبہ نبی۔ وائے۔ پی کے درجہ پنجم میں بروز جمعرات [۸-۸-۱۹] کو اردو تحریری مقابلہ منعقد ہوا۔ جس میں سبھی طلباء نے نہایت ذوق و شوق سے حصہ لیا اور دی گئی سبھی ہدایات پر عمل کیا جس سے ان میں منظم طریقے سے بہترین تحریری صلاحیت میں اضافہ دیکھنے کو ملا۔ اس مقابلے میں شامل سبھی طلباء کو نوافیاں دی گئیں اور ہر سیکشن کے تین۔ تین طلباء کو قابل تعریف اعزاز کے طور پر سرٹیفیکیٹس بھی دیئے گئے جس سے پورے درجے میں خوشی اور آئندہ مزید بہتر مظاہرے کا عزم کیا گیا جو ان کے روشن مستقبل کی علامت ہے۔





GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES QUIZ

The inter-house middle school Global Perspectives Quiz took place on August 21, 2019 at EPS. This year marks the inaugural year for the middle year GP integration. The very idea conceived behind the competition was to inculcate the critical thinking among students and to fan their organic curiosity. The inter-house tag to any event always elevates the stakes. Anticipations, commitments, passions, competition and above all the unwinding spirit to win. The intensity before the event was unlike any other- the stage was set, the road to the triumph went through right and wrong answers. The team which scored the highest points at the end of the 3 rounds will be declared the winner ... **it wasn't that simple!**

The students were not only required to be just correct but quick, calculated and prompt as well. As the quiz reached its penultimate stage the path got narrower and filled with more hurdles. Till the very end it was very bleak to predict or to establish the winner; edge of the seat holding of the breaths- it was scary silence all around. The final result did come out, the efforts of almost every house were fulfilling. To put that into perspective the first and the third positions were determined by the difference of only ten points, the second position found it's way between the latter and former by the thin margin of 5 marks. The Red (Hazrat Ali r.a house) finally took the glory home followed by Blue (Hazrat Uthman r.a house) and Green (Hazrat Abu Bakr r.a House) respectively. (By **Umar ALI** - MYP EDUCATOR)

EY SENSORY PLAY DAY



Young students are naturally curious about the world and by interacting with a range of open-ended material, they develop their understanding as well as language needed to explore and express the properties and behavior of the physical world.

Play is highly adaptive, involves and promotes choice and ownership, provides rigorous opportunities to inquire important (and often complex) concepts and personal interest. (The PYP learner: The early learner- an IBO Publication, Dec., 2018)

In line with the IB's pedagogical philosophy of early learners the EY team promotes sensory play throughout the early years but at least once a year a Sensory Play Day is celebrated when the entire focus is on providing authentic learning opportunities to the students for highly constructive experiences.

The students and teachers alike contribute to prepare a treat for all the five senses and create different stations for hands on learning, combined with cognitive and physical exploration. And all along, the teachers offer appropriate language scaffolding to support thinking and construct meaning from these sensory experiences. The high-lights of the day - sand-pits, mud pools, open-air showers and Graffiti Wall added the active play element and ensured great fun for students.

(By **Fozia Mehfooz** - EY Coordinator)