### DAWN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL, KOCHI

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Dear Parents and Students,

Following the rollercoaster wave of activities in August, the month of September looked staid and laidback. But this was a mirage, as teachers dug their heels into preparing students for the upcoming Dawn Fest as well as the Second Term Exams. Here, we present to you the fourth volume of our school newsletter.

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"Teaching kids to count is fine, but teaching kids what counts is best." — Bob Talbert"



What do teachers teach besides academics? Time management and organization skills; problem-solving and critical thinking skills; communication and teamwork skills; self-discipline and motivation; cultural and social awareness; self-confidence and self-esteem and, finally, personal responsibility and accountability. The Dawn faculty did just that in its Teacher's Day Special Assembly on Tuesday, September 05. Adorned in their elegant sarees, the teachers self-conducted the entire assembly that also included special performances by each department.

The student council, too, did not fall back in felicitating their teachers. They expressed their gratitude to their mentors by handing over tokens of appreciation, as well as weaving a tapestry of song and dance around the theme "Guru" with the help of our talented Dawnites.

Teachers also got some fun time as their students organised games for them. The programme ended with both principals wishing the teachers on their special day.

# ENGLISH ELOCUTION - SEPTEMBER 08, 2023



"Effective communication is 20% what you know and 80% how you feel about what you know." - Jim Rohn

To encourage and showcase students' public speaking skills, the Mar Thoma Public School of Edachira, Kakkanadu held an English Elocution competition. The event, held in the honour of Saint Mar Baselius, beheld huge participation from various schools. From Dawn, Meharin Fathima (Grade 12B) participated in the competition. It was reported that the judges, at the end of the occasion, gave tips and hacks about public speaking to all the participants that would definitely be useful to the kids in future.

### CHOICE CUP FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT – SEPTEMBER 11, 2023

"A TRUE CHAMPION IS A TRUE CHAMPION. THEY GO FIGHT AND WIN OR LOSE, GIVE IT THEIR ALL." — GLOVER TEIXEIRA



#### INTRODUCTION OF NEW LEARNING METHOD

The DIS football team participated in the match held at The Choice School, Tripunithura and true to their spirit gave their all. In the 7-a-side game, our first bout was up against the host school. Unfortunately, we lost the match against Choice by one goal. The silver lining, however, came when our Sevin Thadathil (Grade 11A) was declared the Manof-the -Match.

### MATHS WORKSHOP -SEPTEMBER 13, 2023



"WHAT IS MATHEMATICS? IT IS ONLY A SYSTEMATIC EFFORT OF SOLVING PUZZLES POSED BY NATURE."

— SHAKUNTALA DEVI

MATH IS BEAUTIFUL. BUT SOMETIMES, THIS CAN BE HARD TO SEE, AND EVEN HARDER TO CONVEY TO STUDENTS WHO DON'T – YET – SHARE YOUR PASSION. UNDERSTANDING THIS PREDICAMENT AND TO FOSTER A POSITIVE PERSPECTIVE TOWARDS MATHEMATICS, THE SCHOOL IN TANDEM WITH V-MAT ACADEMY, BANGALORE CONDUCTED A WORKSHOP FOR GRADES 3 TO 8.

AT THE OUTSET, THE TRAINER MR. SAJI RAGHAV DIVIDED HIS CLASSES INTO TWO SESSIONS OF 1-HOUR DURATION. IN THE FIRST SESSION, GRADES 3-5 STUDENTS WERE PROVIDED WITH WORKSHEETS AND TAUGHT THE TRICK TO DO QUICK MULTIPLICATIONS; WHEREAS, IN THE SECOND SESSION, HE TRAINED OUR 6-8 GRADERS THE MULTIPLICATION TABLE VIA A PUZZLE. THE ENLIGHTENING SESSION ENDED WITH ALL STUDENTS BEING AWARDED VALUE CARDS FOR THEIR EFFORTS AND PERFORMANCES.

### HINDI DAY – SEPTEMBER 15, 2023



"Language is not a genetic gift, it is a social gift. Learning a new language is becoming a member of the club - the community of speakers of that language." - Frank Smith

Does India have a national language? No, India does not have a national language, but according to article 343(1) of the Indian constitution, Hindi in Devanagari script and English is the official language of India. To commemorate this inclusion of Hindi by the Constituent Assembly on September 14, 1949, India decided to celebrate the day henceforth as Hindi Diwas. Hindi is considered the fourth most-spoken first language in the world after Mandarin Chinese, Spanish and English.

At Dawn, Hindi Diwas was conducted on Friday, September 15 with a Special Assembly by students of Grades 6 and 7. Ronith Roy (Grade 6) delivered a speech on the importance of Hindi Day; whereas, Zoya R. Parambath and Zoya K. Manoj (both Grade 7) presented a dance showcasing the beauty of Hindi Diwas.

#### FRUIT DAY - SEPTEMBER 21, 2023



FRUITS AND VEGETABLES CONTAIN IMPORTANT VITAMINS, MINERALS AND PLANT CHEMICALS. THEY ALSO CONTAIN FIBRE. A DIET HIGH IN FRUIT AND VEGETABLES CAN HELP PROTECT YOU AGAINST CANCER, DIABETES AND HEART DISEASE.

Fruit is an important part of a healthy diet. In fact, diets high in fruit are associated with all sorts of health benefits, including a decreased risk of many diseases. Aiming to create an awareness among tiny tots on the importance of consuming fruits in their daily lives, Dawn Kindergarten organized Fruits Day in their respective classes.

Students, who were colourfully-attired in their favourite fruit costumes, presented fruit facts using charts and also enjoyed each moment as they warbled with gusto their fruit rhymes with their teachers and friends. A model fruit market was set up to teach kiddies the concept of buying and selling. The celebration concluded with a round of digging into a 'yummylicious' Fruit Salad, which was prepared with the fruits contributed by each child.

### DAWN FEST - SEPTEMBER 29-30, 2023

"Hide not your talents, they for use were made. What's a sundial in the shades?" – Benjamin Franklin



Providing a platform for students to discover and display their talents and skills, Dawn International School held its annual intra school cultural event – DAWN FEST 2023 – on September 29 & 30. The two-day event began with a formal function that was followed by a variety of cultural competitions.

The individual competitions were conducted on Day 1 and consisted of Story Telling, Rhymes, English & Malayalam Recitation, Skit, Instrumental & Western Music and finally Semi-classical dance. Day 2 began with individual competitions like Elocution & Fancy Dress, which progressed to Group events like Western Dance, Group Music, Group Dance and finally concluded with individual events like Adbuster, Switch and Anchoring.

The two-day event ended on a happy note and was a grand success. Children were excited at winning their individual/group trophies, whereas parents expressed satisfaction at the entire conduction of the gala event.

### PREBOARD EXAMS — SEPTEMBER 18-25, 2023

Among all the hullabaloo of activities, DIS did not lose focus on its primary objective-students' academics. The IGCSE students of Grade 10-A sat quietly in the Exam Room and wrote their pre-boards papers. The exam was conducted smoothly and without any hitch. Among all the hullabaloo of activities, DIS did not lose focus on its primary objective-students' academics. The IGCSE students of Grade 10-A sat quietly in the Exam Room and wrote their pre-boards papers. The exam was conducted smoothly and without any hitch.

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