

DAWN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL, KOCHI

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Dear Parents and Students,

As we cast our minds back to the month that passed, we remember it with a lot of angst. The month of July did give us some anxious moments due to many unexpected holidays in the first-half, resulting from continuous rains and other matters. However, Dawn International rose phoenix-like and tackled the situation in its unique way. This is evident, as we peruse through our second newsletter of the current year.

FÊTE NATIONALE FRANÇAISE (BASTILLE DAY) - JULY 14, 2023

Bastille Day celebrates the storming of the Bastille prison in Paris on July 14, 1789, a moment of immense cultural and historical significance for the French Republic. It marks the start of the French Revolution, a pivotal moment in French history.

Under the aegis of our Faculty of French, Ms. Sreemuthulakshmi, DIS celebrated the French National Day on July 10, 2023 (Monday) with a special assembly and a slew of competitions. It was interesting to see the Grade 3 students, who conducted the assembly, dress up as numerous prominent figures of France. There were Marie Curie, who rocked the scientific world; Charles de Gaulle, who left a lasting mark on French history; and the incumbent President of France Emmanuel Macron. The assembly was completely based on France and its culture.

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The celebrations continued with various competitions like flag making and colouring, constructing beautiful models of the landmark Eiffel Tower, as well as decorating of the Bulletin Board. Winners were Leanne Maria Basil (Grade 1) and Evelyn Sojan (Grade 2) for Flag colouring; Ezra Sarah Yeldo and Daksha B. (Grade 4) for Flag making; Ishaani Lakshmi (Grade 5) and Aryn Rifaq Rasheed (Grade 6) for Eiffel Tower modeling and Grades 9B and 10A for Bulletin Board decoration. It was a joyous and memorable day and the children will have fond memories of it.

VISTA '23 (RAJAGIRI INTER-SCHOOL CULTURAL FEST) – JULY 22, 2023



Rajagiri Public School, Kalamassery, Kochi conducted 'Vista'23, its Annual Inter-School Fest on July 22 and 23, 2023.

In order to empower our students to live in the present and face the future, DIS took the initiative to encourage and ensure the participation of our students in various external events. One such event was Vista'23, conducted by Rajagiri Public School, Kalamassery. Around seven students from our school participated in the various events held in the Rajagiri campus on July 22 and 23, 2023.



Our students took part in the 'Mathlets-on-the-Go,' 'Vaa Puttuadikaam,' 'The Muse' and 'Speak your Mind' events. Meharin Fathima (Grade 12B), Sara Johnson (Grade 11B), Rithunanda Ratheesh (Grade 9B), Angel Thomas and Nandini R. (Grade 6) and Shahil Ahmed and Ryan Paramabath (Grade 5) gave their best and were able to learn a lot from the competition. It was indeed a feast for our eyes to see our students perform on stage with lots of enthusiasm and confidence.

TRIBUTE TO THE MISSILE MAN OF INDIA – JULY 26, 2023

Avul Pakir Jainulabdeen Abdul Kalam (15 October 1931 – 27 July 2015) was an Indian aerospace scientist and statesman, who served as the 11th President of India from 2002 to 2007. He is known as the 'Missile Man of India' for his contribution to developing India's missile projects, Prithvi and Agni missiles.



Remembering and honouring the great man on his death anniversary, the DIS Science Department organised a programme entitled 'Tribute to the Missile Man of India' on July 26, 2023. Students of Grade 11A and 11B started with a special assembly. Thereafter, some students of Grades 7, 8 and 11 masqueraded as famous personalities like Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, Mahatma Gandhi, Indira Gandhi, Malala Yousafzai, Mother Teresa and Dr. Vikram Sarabhai.

Principals Ms. Smitha M. and Ms. Rani Ranjitha and the Student Council Members, on behalf of the school, offered flower homages to Dr. Kalam. This was followed by an Inter-House live quiz session for Grades 9-12. The afternoon saw students being engaged in 'brainy' competitions like 'Joining the dots to complete the Picture' for Grades 1-4 and 'Completing the Crossword Puzzle' for Grades 5-8. The prizes for these events were distributed during the subsequent school assembly.



**TERM 1 EXAM - JULY 12 TO 24, 2023
&
FIRST OPEN HOUSE - JULY 29, 2023**

In the teaching-learning process, educational evaluation is crucial since it helps a teacher know how much a child can understand. Also, students and parents have a lot to say. Therefore, it should be significant to let them know their input is needed to change how they are taught.

Despite the unexpected holidays, DIS conducted its First Term Examinations with elan. The assessments for Grades LKG to 12 were held between July 12 to 21, 2023. Teachers of Dawn banded together to proceed with the assessments, valuations and result production well within the timeline of the Open House Day.

The Open House for the parents was held on July 29, 2023. Anxious parents took the opportunity to discuss their wards' performance with individual teachers during this occasion. We are glad to report that the general consensus from the parents' feedback revealed satisfaction at the efforts taken by the school in the education of their wards.

BOOK FAIR - JULY 29, 2023

Book fairs allow you to discover new books and authors that you may not have found otherwise. With publishers and authors showcasing their latest releases, you can browse through a diverse range of books and get to know new authors.

On July 29, 2023 (Saturday), DIS conducted a One-day Book Fair/Exhibition for the benefit of its students with the theme: '**Leading to Reading**'. The school teamed up with United Books, a Kochi-based distributor of books, who put up a wonderful array of books from a multitude of publishers, both national and international. The Book Fair was held in tandem with the First Term Open House Day. Students visited the exhibition with their Parents/Guardians and purchased many books.

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