



GUNJUR CAMPUS

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

"A new group of enthusiastic student journalists of grade 7, put together for you the monthly newsletter and I wish them 'happy journal-ing'. As they report the myriad happenings within school, I am certain you will notice therein an indulgence in the theme we have adopted for this academic year 'We Care'- caring for the environment, caring for the community and caring for ourselves"

World Environment Day

The World Environment Day is celebrated on the 5th of June. It is the United Nations' main vehicle to encourage awareness and action for the protection of our environment. Owing to a holiday on the 5th June, we celebrated the World Environment Day on the 6th of June here at Deens Academy-Gunjur Campus.

This year, our school theme is 'WE CARE.' The message of We Care is not only to care about ourselves, but also about the society and our environment. In keeping with our theme, we were asked to write about the things we care about and what we would improve.

During our World Environment Day celebration, several activities were conducted, which included Grades 1-5 having a 'Best out of Waste' project. Grades 6-8 made posters on the theme of 'No Plastic' and Grades 9-10 wrote proposals on how to make Bangalore a Garden City again. Along with this, Grade 10 also conducted a skit during the assembly which conveyed the fact that we should all recycle and reuse plastics

- Haard Popat, Shreya



Founder's Day

our school's Founder's Day is on 11th June, but this year we celebrated it on 14th June, in the Gunjur campus. This day is marked as a day to express gratitude to our founders who laid the foundation of Deens Academy. We started out as a small school, but have now grown to over 4000 students across campuses. This day also gives us a chance to express a heartfelt thanks to Shanthi Ma'am and all the dear teachers who always encourage each of us to believe that we can achieve anything with hard work, focus, perseverance and confidence.

Founder's Day is a very important day in our school calendar. Being an old Deenite, I have witnessed this day as a mark to appreciate the achievers as well as inspire others to excel in the new session. This year we had a list of events on Founder's Day, starting with a classical dance performance by a group of girls, followed by a speech by our respected Principal, Shanthi Ma'am.

Then came the awards distribution to accolade and acknowledge the hard work of the achievers of the previous year. The awards handed out during the ceremony were 'Achiever of the Year – overall and in academics' and 'Progressive Strides' that is students who have shown the most progress over the year. Surely the award winners were filled with pride as they walked up on stage to receive their certificates.

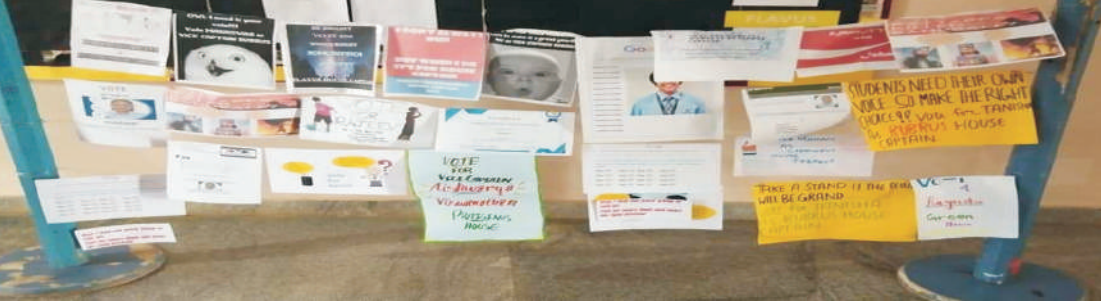
- Lipi Bhattacharya



Special Assembly of Grade 6: Conformity

The Grade 6 students had put up a special assembly on 27th June and the parents were invited to this event. They were given a hearty welcome by the MCs Debanjali and Advait. The assembly started with the students telling the news followed by the thought for the day. A Hindi poem was recited by the students. Next, the students sang a song that had everyone in a cheerful mood. This was followed by the students reciting an English poem. Subsequently, a skit was performed. The grand finale was a dance performance. The programme ended with a thank you note by Mithali, thanking our respected Principal, Shanthi Ma'am and Headmistress, Hema Ma'am. It was the hard work of students and the support of teachers that made this event possible.

-Durva Sharma



Election Fever!

At Deens Academy, they give us lot of opportunities to take up responsibilities. One such responsibility is the 'Student Council'. The students of Grades 8 and above are allowed to stand for election. There are four houses at Deens. The posts are – Head Girl/Boy, Sports Captain, House Captains, Vice Captains and Prefects for the respective houses.

Students of Grades 6 and above were given a chance to elect their leader this year. Teachers also participated in the voting. Elections help inculcate a sense of responsibility among students. Election in the school is the best platform to bring out the leadership qualities in students.

The candidates were given the opportunity to campaign in all the classes so that they could tell the students what they would do if they were elected. They also gave speeches during the Assembly so that the students and teachers could make the right choice. This year, the elections were held on the 4th of June, 2019.

- Anna Mathew, Aarushi A.S



Our Student Council for the Year 2019-20

STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS

Head Girl	-	Ananya Khare
Sports Captain	-	Niya Krishna
Editors	-	Naina Mehta, Geetanjali Kapre

Caeruleus House		Rubrus House	
Captain	Mohamed Zayaan	Captain	Rajath Menon
Vice Captain	Meghna Nair	Vice Captain	Manaswini Goel
<u>Prefects</u>		<u>Prefects</u>	
Dhruti Polavarapu (8B) Manan (8C) Shrishti (8A)		Chirag (8A) Amaan (8B) Armaan (8A)	
Prasinus House		Flavus House	
Captain	Ajay Sudhir	Captain	Tiya Garg
Vice Captain	Triya Macha	Vice Captain	Charan SK
<u>Prefects</u>		<u>Prefects</u>	
Rishab (8A) Aayushi (8A) Tanya (8B)		Harishramani (8C) Gauri (8A) Harini (8B)	

The Investiture Ceremony

The Investiture Ceremony of Deens Academy, Gunjur, for the Student Council for the academic year 2019-20 was conducted on June 14th, 2019. The ceremony is a celebration of great honour here at Deens Academy. The audience consisted of all the students of Grades 1 to 10, the teachers and the parents! The school band played throughout the ceremony and we also had a performance from the wonderful school choir.

The ceremony started with a march past led by our new Head Girl, Ananya Khare, followed by the Sports Captain and the two Editors. All the house related council members (captains, vice captains and prefects) followed them. First up, the Head Girl, Sports Captain, Editors and I, the Band Leader, were called up on stage. We were handed our sashes, badges, flags and the school placard by our Principal, Shanthi Ma'am. It was a moment of pride for all of us. Next, each House was called on stage and its captain, vice captain and prefects received their badges and sashes. As they marched back from the stage, the audience roared with applause.

Following this, Shanthi Ma'am gave us an inspiring speech about how team work is found in nature as well. She used the example of a formation of birds in the sky comparing it to the Council team. Next, we took our oath, promising to uphold our duties. The narrators thanked the audience for coming, and the Student Council dispersed in a beautiful formation.

- Naina Pathak



Kideens Red Day

Red is the colour of the stop sign and the colour of danger. But it is also the colour of roses and strawberries and jam! The Kideens section here at Gunjur Campus celebrated the 'Red Day' in the month of June.

It was nice to see our youngest students dressed in red, accompanied by their teachers who were also dressed in the same colour. The colour days are celebrated at our school to help children recognise the different basic colours around them.

For example, the activities of the Red Day involved things which are coloured red - making strawberries and fire truck colouring and crafts. In the lunch break, the children could be seen eating red coloured foodstuffs, like apples or jam sandwiches.

Though it is a celebration for the students, it makes us wonder too what other red things there are in the world around us. Think about it!

