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# DEEN-A-LOGUE

## From The Editor's Desk

Presented to you by the editorial team of grade 7, this edition captures the vibrancy and exuberance of life on campus.

- Hemlata Pande, Principal

## Section A- News@Deens, Gunjur DMUN 2024

DMUN 2024 was held in our school on 23rd and 24<sup>th</sup> August. It started off with a splendid opening ceremony performed by the students. After the ceremony and the registrations were done, delegates began heading towards their respective committees, excited and a little bit nervous. There were nine committees in all, namely UNSC, HUNGA, SPECPOL, CELAC, AIPPM, Imperial War Room, IPC, IDMS and JCC. Through these committees, delegates talked about ongoing or past events that threatened global stability and discussed the many possible solutions. Over the span of two exhilarating days, all the delegates explored various topics, and several new ideas were passed and tabled through the resolutions. After all the committee sessions were done, a wonderful closing ceremony commenced, and then the prize distribution began. Every single delegate, whether they had won or not, learnt something new through the educational, intellectual, and interactive debates. Overall, the event truly delivered on its promise to be one in a million, leaving all the delegates with memories of a lifetime.

-Meghna Sesha 7-C

## Volkfsiesta 2024



Our very own festival-Volkfsiesta –2024 was a resounding success, held from August 1st to 10th at our school! The inter-school sports competition brought together teams from across the city, to compete in a variety of thrilling events, including football, basketball, kabaddi and various cultural events, such as extempore, Kannada drama, comic strip making, music, etc The week was packed with exhilarating matches and spectacular displays of athletics with students showcasing their skills and sportsmanship. From intense football matches to gripping kabaddi tournaments and high-flying basketball games, from live band performances to drama, the atmosphere was electric. Congratulations to all the participants for their outstanding performances and to the winners who shone brightly throughout the event. Volkfsiesta truly highlighted the spirit of competition and community in our school.

**Mantika Bhardwaj and Maanya Jain from 8D**, captured the thoughts of student volunteers, teachers and participants - "It was a good ground, fair play, good food and the competition was nice," stated one of the members from the competing schools (Kabaddi).

Another set of players said, "The environment here at Deens was friendly and welcoming."

The schools also mentioned, "Well managed, excellent experience."

"The entire event was really engaging." -Student volunteer

Our teachers spoke about being absorbed by the spirit and energy of the participants representing their schools.

"It was an exhilarating experience." -Participant of Athletics and Kabaddi

"Good experience, it was excellent winning all 3 matches on the way to gold." -Captain of the winning Kabaddi team

"Loved the spirit, energy and competition." -Participants of Shot Put and Kabaddi

So, whether you were there to cheer, compete, or just enjoy the chaos, these events were a reminder that at our school, we don't just participate—we dominate with style, spirit, and a whole lot of fun!

- Dyuti Mishra 7C

## Rotary Interact Club

On 31st August, the members of the Rotary Interact Club from grade 8 organised stalls inside the campus to raise money for charity. The counters contained goodies of all sorts, from nachos to brownies. Excited by this opportunity to do something good for the society as well as munch on delicacies, all students visited each store excitedly. The teachers took the students to the stalls in groups of five, money chinking in their pockets. The menu included tasty nachos and biscuits with cut tomatoes and onions, brownies and a particularly yummy Bhelpuri. As the day wore on, the stalls proved to be a spectacular success as crowds of students lingered around the stalls, enjoying their mouth – watering treats. The hard work of the students, who put up the stalls, was commendable.



-Sharanyaa Biswas and Meghna Sesha, 7C

## Inter house Debate Competition



This is one competition for which middle school waits for with bated breath! The inter house debate competition was held for grades 5- 8, with topics like 'Bite off more than you can chew, should ambition be prioritized over capability?' Our students fiercely debated with clever replies in the rebuttal round which put the audience in a contemplative mood. The competition lasted nearly an hour and a half. The build-up to the winners' reveal was nerve wracking, but the competitors' dear friends were present all the way through to support them. Although many wished for their house to come first, all of them should be reminded- that everyone were the winners in their own ways. "Every moment sparked a revelation that baffled me, honestly. Great performance!" - Abhishek Kumble, competitor from Rubrus "This point thrown, that statistic unveiled, it could not have been better than this." - Student spectator I can only say, great work ! The contestants were just awesome! - Student spectator

To conclude, the debate competition wasn't just a competition to debate, it was an experience to cherish for life.

-Abhishek Kumble 7 C



## Inter-house cricket and basketball matches

Soon after Volksfiesta, the people's festival had come to an end, the inter-house cricket matches for both the junior and senior teams had commenced. It was the morning of the 14th of August when the Junior cricket matches took place, the first match was between Prasinus and Caeruleus. Caeruleus was eliminated and Prasinus moved on into the finals.



The next junior cricket match was between Rubrus and Flavus. Rubrus had decided to bat first and had scored a reasonable number of runs, but unfortunately for Rubrus, this was no problem for Flavus as they had easily scored way more runs and had won the match with way fewer wickets lost as well.

After Independence Day, the senior cricket matches commenced on Friday the 16th of August, with the first match being between Rubrus and Caeruleus, in which Rubrus had taken a substantial lead and emerged victorious. Wasting no time, the next match between Flavus and Prasinus had commenced. After a very intense game in which both teams fought for victory, Flavus won the game.

On Monday the 19th of August, the Finals of both the Juniors and Seniors started. The first match was the Junior finals match, between Flavus and Prasinus. It was a competitive morning with both teams looking like they were ready for any challenge put upon them. Flavus had started batting and had easily beaten Prasinus with way fewer wickets taken down.

The best bowler of the Junior category was Aditya Deepak from 5th grade and the best batsman of the Junior category was Vidyuth from 7th grade, and the all-rounder was Luke also from 7th grade.

Soon after, the cricket finals of the Junior category the Seniors Final Match was played between Rubrus and Flavus. The efforts of the players had paid off, making them emerge as the Champions of the Interhouse Senior Cricket matches. The best bowler of the Senior category was Evan Lajesh from 9th grade and the best batsman of the Senior category was Amarthya, the sports captain from 9th grade, and the all-rounder was Mohamed Aaqil.

Just after the cricket matches had come to an end, The basketball matches commenced. The first match was between Rubrus and Flavus junior girls. After the free throws, the winner was Flavus who had won 9-8 after the free throws. Shortly after was the match between Flavus and Prasinus boys, this match was dominated by Flavus, as they won 28-2 showing no mercy to Prasinus. Then was the match between Prasinus and Caeruleus junior girls, which was an intense match but Prasinus won the match 4-0. Subsequently, the match was between Rubrus and Caeruleus, in which after a vigorous 4 quarters Rubrus won 5-2.

The next day, the finals of the Junior Basketball matches commenced, with the first match being between Flavus and Prasinus and the girls, after an exhausting and long match, Prasinus won the match 8-0 and were declared Champions of the Interhouse Junior girls' basketball matches, and the best player was Preity from 7th grade. Soon after, the Junior boys' basketball match started, which was between Rubrus and Flavus, both teams looked thrilled to play, and just as we knew it the match had started. The match was very severe and tiring for both teams and after a tough match, Rubrus came on top as the winner after winning the match 6-5, and the best player was given to Abhigyaan from 7th grade.

The finals of the Senior Basketball categories took place, with the first match being the Senior Boys Finals between Rubrus and Prasinus, The match had started with the advantage on Prasinus side with a great score lead, but Rubrus did not lose hope and emerged victorious once again with a score of 22-21, and the best player was Vyom from Grade 9C.

Then was the match of the Senior Girls Finals played between Prasinus and Caeruleus, both teams were geared up and ready to play, and after a long match Prasinus won the match 32-16, and the best player of the match was Anushree from 9th Grade.

- Medhansh Bhardwaj, 7C



## WOW! Moments in the Classroom

### 1. Grade 8- Chemistry

A. The students of grade 8, had an activity in Chemistry wherein the expectation was to display the properties of 'malleability' and 'ductility'. Students created things such as display pieces like flowers to a man on the football field and products that can be used in daily life, like earrings and rings. The students with the topic of malleability opted for aluminium foil. They turned themselves into budding sculptors and artists as they used this foil to make 3D figurines of various animals. There were also those who took it to the next level by painting the artwork they had created with foil and wires and giving them a new and attractive look.



B. For the chapter on Coal and petroleum, students participated in an interesting activity, Kajal Making. Kajal or Kohl is a popular cosmetic used to line the eyes, especially in Indian and Middle Eastern cultures. It is applied inside the lower eyelashes. Students have used some things like ghee, sandalwood paste, coconut oil, castor oil, camphor, aloe vera etc. The most basic principle of making kajal is to burn a source of carbon and collecting the carbon powder formed by the process.



- Ms. Ishani Sengupta, Akshara Madhusudhanan, Aatrey Rath

### Grade 8- History

In a world filled with social evils such as dowry, human trafficking and drug abuse, it is up to the young generations to raise awareness and prevent these evils, as the future is in their hands. The students of grade 8 had an activity, to raise awareness about these issues which plague our society even today. Students created vibrant and colourful posters during their lunch break and arranged a social awareness march against the evils in the corridors and classrooms. As we walked through the hallway shouting "Say No to Dowry!" and "Daughters are Priceless, Dowry is Mindless!", and other slogans, we were able to catch the attention of many students. We also presented our thoughts in the form of skits and "nukkad natak" in the morning assembly. The other classes of grade 8 presented a skit on drug abuse, human trafficking, child labour, challenges of disability. stop and abolish these evils and that this activity was a success. It taught us to work together to fight for all the men, women and children suffering in our country. We cannot abolish these age-old superstitions in a day, but we can do it, if we all continue to play our part.

- Ms. Zarina Tamiz, Anwita Prasad (8A)



## Section B- News@ Deens, Whitefield



At Deens Academy, Whitefield, students, parents and grandparents arrived to witness a well curated Independence Day programme. After the national anthem and flag hoisting by the Vice Principal Ms. Sita Nanduri, the students took over the stage. They managed the entire show, including anchoring, march past, band music, dance, and music performances. It was a proud moment for one and all as the audience gave a standing ovation at the end of the function. Indeed, a generation that is proud about the nation can help build India with great integrity, vision and commitment. Jai Hind!

- Niranjana Nair - 8B



**Section C- News@ Kideens**



August was a month of excitement and merry making! Who wouldn't be thrilled to indulge in Ice-cube painting and Lemonade making? Other stimulating activities included yellow day, washing machine and drying activity, threading kitchen rolls etc. Activities for the little ones are designed in such a way that they foster fine motor skills but also introduce early concepts of categorization, and decision-making- Sorting vegetables and fruits, matching socks etc. Our LKG children enjoyed feeding the crayons to the monster, no, this isn't a scary monster, it just loves crayons! This is a quantifying activity. They count the number of counters in the tens frame, find the corresponding crayon with the number, and feed it to the monster. Independence Day was also celebrated with great fervour. Our young Deenites also love listening to stories. What better way to end the day!

**Lollapalooza 2024**



31<sup>st</sup> August was a day to remember! Lollapalooza- a fun-filled event for our tiny tots was conducted with great excitement and enthusiasm. Over 18 schools with over 200 participants participated in this fun-filled interschool competition. There were various events including sports competitions, patriotic singing, folk dancing, aart competitions, recycling activities, and many more exciting and exhilarating activities. All our little stars enjoyed the day to the fullest and it was a tremendous success!

- Sharanyaa Biswas, 7C  
and inputs from teachers from KIDEENS- BR Campus,  
RH Road and Gunjur Campuses.

**Section D- News@ Deens PU College, Gunjur**

**Mercatura Social- 2024-A Celebration of Creativity, Community, and Collaboration**

Mercatura Social, an exhilarating college fest brimming with creativity and innovation, was held on August 31st, leaving a lasting impression on all attendees. This vibrant event provided a platform for students from across the region to showcase their talents, collaborate with peers, and engage in friendly competition. Participants hailed from esteemed institutions such as National Public School (Whitefield), Inventure Academy, New Horizon, Kripanidhi, and Vagdevi Vilas School, each contributing to the fest's diverse and energetic atmosphere.



**Highlights of Mercatura Social 2024: Events-** BUILD A LOGO, DUEL OF DISCORD, CAUCUS, FUSIONISTA, LOST IN LINES, CRIMECON, TREASURE THE TRASH, MELOTOPIA.

**Additional Attractions:** Beyond the competitions, Mercatura Social featured enticing food stalls, organized by the enterprising deenites, which added to the fest's lively atmosphere. These stalls became a popular hub for students, offering delicious refreshments to keep spirits high throughout the day. Overall, **Mercatura Social** was a resounding success, offering an impressive array of activities that celebrated the unique talents and passions of every participant. Beyond the thrill of competition, the event served as a powerful platform for students to hone their skills, forge meaningful connections, and create unforgettable memories.



**Section E-From the Teacher's Desk- Ms. Vedavathi N,  
Co-ordinator-Kannada, grades 1-10 (Gunjur)**

Vedavathi Ma'am is a teacher with a mission. A mission to ensure our students develop the required skills in reading, writing and speaking the language of the state, which we call "Home". The Kannada department at Gunjur strives hard to instill love and respect in the minds of the students and make learning fun and interesting. This month, Vedavathi Ma'am (appropriately posing in front of the ancestral house of Rashtra Kavi Kuvempu !) shares her thoughts on Kannada teaching and learning. Kannada is the state language of Karnataka. It has a rich history of over two thousand years. The Indian government declared it as a classical language in 2008. My mother tongue is not Kannada, but my interest in the language of the state I live in and the love I have for its rich literature and history, has urged me to take up the challenge of teaching it to students in this cosmopolitan city.



The first question asked by most of my students is, "Why should we learn Kannada? We can easily manage with English and Hindi", but I want to convey to these young minds that learning new language is a skill. You can never get misled if you learn the language of the region you are in. Learning a new language is always beneficial and being multilingual has a deep impact on your intelligence. I would like to share with you some simple tips for learning Kannada. First make Kannada "your" language. Interact with Kannada speakers around you. For example: Talk to shopkeepers, vendors, domestic helpers, friends who know Kannada. You can also learn and practice the language by watching age-appropriate Kannada movies and cartoons, with subtitles, if necessary. Try reading your favorite comics in Kannada! The Kannada department in our school is always trying new activities to make Kannada learning fun and interesting- Word of the day, Kannada conversation activities for higher grades. For lower grades, pick and speak, elocution, conversation-based activities, recitation etc. To develop writing skills, we conduct creative writing, essay writing, advertisement writing etc. during our Kannada classes. Our objective is to instill love and respect in young minds towards the language. We want every child to consider the language as his/her own and communicate in Kannada confidently. We want to change the oft repeated phrase "Kannada gothila" to "Kannada gothu!"

**Hands and Minds that Worked Together**



**Meghna Sessa, Dyuti Mishra, Abhishek Kumble,  
Sharanyaa Biswas, Medhansh Bhardwaj- 7C**