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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Presented to you by the editorial team of grade 7C, this edition is dedicated to the celebration of freedom, values of simple living and high thinking, and our Interschool fest, "Volksfiesta- The People's Festival," along with the other happenings that keep the corridors of Deens buzzing with excitement!

Section 1- News@ Deens Academy, Gunjur-Theme of the Month-Simple Living, High Thinking



Simple living and high thinking. When I heard about this theme, I really didn't understand what is really meant. I later discovered just how fascinating and significant it truly is.

"Simple living and high thinking" is a powerful philosophy that emphasizes the importance of living a humble life, while still nurturing smart and kind thoughts. It teaches us that we don't need fancy things to be happy or successful. What really matters is how we think, what we believe in, and how we treat others.

Simple living means not giving importance to material possessions and leading a simple life, focusing only on ones needs, not wants. It teaches us to be happy with

what we have. This does not mean wearing torn clothes or giving up material possessions completely, but it also does not mean always wanting the latest I phone or Louis Vuitton bag. Simple living cuts down the extra stress caused due to the societies expectations or impressing someone, opening a more peaceful life. Simple living also means being more organized and calmer. When we don't have too many possessions or too many distractions, we can enjoy life more. It gives us more time to spend with our family and friends, to read, play, and do the things that truly make us happy.

High thinking means thinking in a deep and positive way. It is about focusing on important things like kindness, honesty, and helping others. High thinking is when we try to understand the world better, learn new things, and dream about how to make life better for everyone. It's not just about thinking for ourselves but also thinking about how we can help other people and make the world a nicer place. Great leaders and thinkers like Mahatma Gandhi or Mother Teresa are some examples. They always tried to think about what is right and fair, and they helped people even if they themselves didn't have much. Their thoughts were powerful because they cared about the bigger picture and not just themselves.

Hence, I think "simple living, high thinking" is a great way to live. We don't need to have everything to be happy. We just need to have good thoughts, good values, and a kind heart.

- Aditi Shipure, 7C

Independence Day



We celebrated Independence Day on 15th August 2025 with great enthusiasm, pride and excitement. The event aimed to honour the sacrifices of our freedom fighters and value the true meaning of independence. The program began with slow march and the hoisting of the national flag by our respected Principal, Hema Ma`am, followed by the singing of the National Anthem. The flag unfurling was accompanied by a salute and the delivery of a warm welcome speech by our principal, highlighting the importance of Independence Day and remembering the sacrifices made by the heroes of our freedom movement.

The cultural segment of the program included patriotic songs performed by the school choir, stirring feelings of nationalism among the audience. Dance Performances showcased India's rich cultural heritage and the unity in diversity of our nation. Speeches presented by the students included their thoughts on freedom, responsibility, and national pride.

The program ended with the distribution of sweets. Everyone went home with a smile on their faces. In conclusion, this year's Independence Day celebration at our school was special. I learned a lot and had a great time watching the performances. It made me feel proud to be an Indian and reminded me that even small things we do every day can help our

- Aditi Shipure, 7C

VOLKSFIESTA- 18th-23rd August

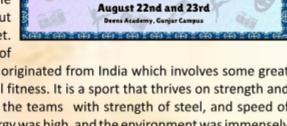


The people's fest, "Volksfiesta", is our annual interschool event. It is truly the people's festival, with schools across Bangalore participating in various sporting and cultural events, showcasing their skills and talents.

Kabaddi

It was a cold breezy morning. All the schools came prepared for a fierce but friendly competition. The ground was set. It was time for the first 'Sports Event' of

VOLKSFIESTA – A traditional team sport originated from India which involves some great tackling skills, a stable mind and physical fitness. It is a sport that thrives on strength and strategy. It was time for KABADDI!!! All the teams with strength of steel, and speed of lightning stepped into the court. The energy was high, and the environment was immensely competitive. We could see some great team skills and crazy moves.



Volksfiesta 2025

Football and basketball

Both football and basketball rely on tactics, strategy, skill and above all, teamwork to outplay the opposition and score more goals. They are dynamic sports that test coordination, communication, and quick thinking on the field. The atmosphere was charged and intense, with all the teams showcasing their talent and racing to become champions.

Athletics and track events

An athlete needs speed, strength, stamina and confidence. Long jump, discus throw, Javelin, races were all a part of this category. As the events started, we saw people running at the speed of lightning, proving their prowess on the ground and captivating the audience. The competition was intense, where the difference between victory and loss was a matter of seconds.

Athletics Opening Ceremony



The opening ceremony motivated us all and lifted the audience's spirits. The ceremony was followed by a vibrant march-past, with each step symbolizing harmony and the spirit of sportsmanship. The march past was led by our school band, who played exquisitely melodious and flawlessly timed tunes for every step to be placed. Skilled dancers from our school performed a fusion dance, setting the mood for the day. Their coordinated movements left us all mesmerized! To conclude, our honourable principal, Hema Ma'am, officiated the Oath taking ceremony and Ms.Shanti Menon, our founder principal, officially declared the 'Athletics Event' open!

Cultural Events



The cultural events of Volksfiesta-2025 took place on the 22nd and 23rd of August. The events were a resounding success, bringing together talent, creativity, and collaboration on one vibrant platform. Students from various schools participated enthusiastically, showcasing their skills in dance, music, drama, art, and other cultural performances. Each performance reflected not only the hard work and dedication of the participants, but also their energy and spirit. Their enthusiastic participation ensured that Volksfiesta lived up to its name-The People's Festival". The fest provided an opportunity not only to compete but also to learn, exchange ideas, and build lasting friendships across schools.

From graceful dance performances in 'Jashn-E-Rang' to spirited performances in 'Danza Viva', from melodious musical renditions in 'Stairway to Heaven' to thought-provoking

skits, quizzes, literary events like 'Twist -A Tale', 'Metaphor Mash Up', 'Literary
Labyrinth', 'This or That' etc. Creative tales
emerged in 'Chakra bole, Kahani dole".
'Timeless Threads-From ancient looms to
modern lights' had the audience
spellbound with the creative costumes and
ramp walk. This was not all! 'Sculpting
Wizards' had little ones creating beautiful
models, 'Number Ninja' saw the math
lovers enjoying every bit of the event.



'Newsroom Knockout' and 'Gizmo Genie' gave much food for thought, with the participants brainstorming, presenting and facing questions. Nail biting moments for sure!

Every event left a lasting impression. The audience's enthusiastic response added to the festive atmosphere, turning the cultural events into a celebration of talent and togetherness. The success of these events was also a result of the dedicated efforts of the teachers and mentors, who guided the participants and ensured smooth execution. Volksfiesta - 2025 will be remembered for a long time to come!

The closing ceremony marked the end of the festivities, and we bid adieu to all the participating schools, until next year

-Anshika Shidhaye, Siya Tiwari -7C

Section 2- News @ The Deens Academy, Whitefield



Deens Academy proudly hosted the second edition of the Deens Premier League (DPL) on 25 and 26 August 2025, at MAK Cricket Grounds. Featuring eleven competitive teams and a discerning audience of cricket aficionados, the tournament delivered two days of high-octane drama. Deens Academy, Whitefield successfully defended their title, showcasing supremacy throughout the tournament and finishing undefeated. Deens Whitefield commenced their campaign against NPS W, where Swarit Turlapaty's incisive bowling earned him Man of the Match honours. In the second fixture versus Chrysalis Yelahanka, Sidharth Guha's exemplary all-round performance proved decisive. The quarter-final clash with Chrysalis proceeded as smooth sailing, propelled by Siddhanth GK's outstanding bowling mastery. In a thrilling semi-final against VIBGYOR E CITY, Rishit Bhatia's composed half-century secured passage to the championship decider. The final against GIIS concluded in absolute domination by Deens, with spinner Rajdeep Banerjee's guile and accuracy earning him Man of the Match. Collectively, the team's balanced squad depth and strategic acumen ensured they prevailed in every encounter.

Special acknowledgement is due to Nikhil sir for his strategic coaching guidance; his emphasis on resilience and meticulous preparation galvanized the squad. Equally, Vijayata ma'am's continual motivation and unwavering support—fostered unity and sustained team morale. Individual honours reflected exceptional contributions- Swarit was adjudged both Best Bowler and Most Valuable Player for his remarkable haul of nine wickets at an economical rate. Rishit's consistent Strokeplay, amassing 117 runs, earned him the Best Batsman award. Deens Academy's second edition of DPL not only showcased high-octane action but also set a new benchmark for compact, thrilling cricket tournaments. Anticipation already mounts for the next edition as the league continues to elevate standards and inspire the next set of cricketers.

- Athish Prajwal, 10A

Section 3- News@Kideens Gunjur Campus



UKG

The children of UKG's celebrated the festival of Onam with great joy, reflecting the spirit of unity, tradition, and togetherness. The vibrant Pookalams (floral designs) not only added colour to the floor but also lit up the hearts of our little ones with smiles. Each petal placed symbolized Kerala's rich cultural heritage and the cherished homecoming of King Mahabali.

May this Onam bring happiness, peace, and harmony to all!

PG Fun with colour sorting – our little learners are busy matching and dropping the balls in the right tub!



Little stylists at work - having fun with creative hair styling!



LKG "Children of LKG C enjoyed their yoga time, learning to stretch, relax, and stay active.



BR Campus



August was a month of joyful discovery for our curious Kindergarten children. Our toddlers explored shapes and colours through engaging activities that sparked their imagination. The Playgroup children participated in a sensorial experience, using paints and their feet to create vibrant patterns. Our Lower Kindergarten children showcased their creativity by crafting models of creepy crawlies with their little hands. Meanwhile, the Upper Kindergarten students presented a thoughtful assembly on good manners and the importance of using magic words, leaving a lasting impression on their peers.

Yellow Day Celebration - A Burst of Sunshine and Smiles

Yellow Day brought a wave of brightness and joy as children arrived dressed in vibrant yellow outfits, lighting up the space with their cheerful energy. While the toddlers explored the theme through bee-inspired art activities, the playgroup babies enjoyed a fun-filled "yellow bus" ride, spotting yellow objects along the way and engaging in colour recognition.

Our Lower Kindergarten children got creative with corn-themed finger painting, producing expressive and cheerful yellow artwork. They also expanded their vocabulary by learning yellow-themed words in Hindi and Kannada, adding a linguistic twist to their colour exploration.



The Upper Kindergarten students painted vibrant sunflowers and participated in a variety of hands-on activities, each designed to deepen their understanding of the colour yellow while encouraging imaginative expression. Every moment of Yellow Day was a celebration of creativity, learning, and joyful discovery.



Our talented UKG children absolutely shone on Independence Day! Their heartfelt tributes to national leaders, soulful patriotic songs, and high-energy dances were truly inspiring. So proud of their enthusiasm and performance!

With inputs from Ms. Angeline John, Ms. Liya and staff,
 Gunjur Campus and BR Campus

Section 4- WOW moments in the Classroom- From the Teacher's Desk

Grade – 8th / Subject – Hind-SEA Activity based on the theme "Elements of Nature"



As part of the Hindi Subject Enrichment Activity, the students of Grade 8th participated in a creative presentation based on the theme "Elements of Nature." The objective of this activity was to develop language skills, creativity, and a deeper sensitivity toward nature.

Working in groups, the students showcased their ideas through poems, dialogues, posters, and illustrations. Various elements of nature such as trees, animals, water, and environment were beautifully portrayed in their presentations.

Colourful charts and vibrant visuals reflected the students' effort, imagination, and teamwork. The activity served not only as a linguistic learning experience but also instilled important values related to environmental awareness and social responsibility.

- Ms. Madhu Sharma, Faculty, Hindi Department

Chemistry- Magnificent Metalwork!



In this activity, students explored two of the physical properties of metals – malleability and ductility. They were instructed to make anything out of different metals like aluminium and copper, using these two properties. Many different ideas and designs came up. Malleability is the property of a metal to be hammered into thin sheets, while ductility is the property of a metal to be drawn into thin wires. Using these two properties and their creativity, students began making beautiful sculptures and figures using basic metals they brought from home, and some additional materials such as clay and other decorative items, to enhance the beauty of the projects. Students made keychains, ornaments and small models of things from nature, such as trees and leaves. Overall, the activity was educational, creative and engaging. It helped students connect theoretical science concepts to real-world applications in metalwork, engineering, and design.

-Aishi Singh-8B and Ms. Ishani Sengupta, Faculty,
 Department of Chemistry.

HANDS AND MINDS THAT WORKED TOGETHER



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