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OUR NEW PRINCIPAL DR. K.J. JOSE

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FROM THE EDITORIAL BOARD...

The school reopened for the third and final term of the 2006-07 academic session on January 7, 2007 when parents brought back their wards. It was also the day when a Parent Teacher Meeting was organized. It was time for the parents to get a one-to-one feedback on their wards from the teachers directly.

The most important news of the term was the appointment of Dr. K. J. Jose as the new Principal of the School. He had been officiating as Principal for the last four months. There were several activities conducted during this term. The School celebrated the seventh Founder's Day on January 27, 2007. An art and crafts workshop was conducted on January 13 and 14, 2007 in the school by four faculty members from Modern Public School, Barakhamba Road, New Delhi.

It was time for the Board classes (X and XII) to continue their studies in right earnest. As part of the preparation for the oncoming Board Exams, Classes X and XII were put through pre-Board Examinations.

The school was fortunate to have in its midst Dr. David Summerscale, ex-Headmaster of Westminster School, London. He is also on the Special Advisory Board of The Sagar School.

Under the ongoing Exchange Programmes, we have three foreign students visit the school. They will stay with us for about four months.

New prefect designates were announced for the four houses and the girls. They have taken up the charge and are functioning in right earnest.

FOUNDER'S DAY CELEBRATIONS...

The Sagar School celebrated its seventh Founder's Day celebration on January 27, 2007 with great fervour and enthusi-



asm. The guests and parents of the students were welcomed in the morning.

The guests were introduced to the faculty members by Dr. K.J. Jose. He delivered the welcome address and presented the Annual School Report. This was followed by an inspiring speech by Dr. Vidya Sagar, the Founder of The Sagar School. Mr. Hemant Sagar, the Chairman of the School presented his thoughts on the year gone by and how much of a learning experience it was. It was here that he announced that Dr.

K.J. Jose, who had been till then the Officiating Principal, would now be the new principal of the school. The Chief Guest, Padam Shri Dr. R.C. Lugani, the founder Principal of DPS RK Puram, was requested to give away the annual prizes to the students who had excelled in academics. sports, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities during the academic year. This was followed by his address to the school. He

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FOUNDER'S DAY CELEBRATIONS...

laid stress on the cultivation of the mind among the students today. He emphasized that languages, logic, music and dance are integral to a child's growth. In the end, Mrs. Sharmistha Jhulka, the Administrator of the School presented Vote of Thanks.

After this the guests were taken around for tea and various exhibitions. The creative potential of the students of Science, Commerce, Art and Geography was on display in these exhibitions.

After this the students presented an hour and a half long cultural and musical programme, which was an epitome of the multilingual and international spirit that The Sagar School represents. The programme began with a musical composition called "Vasudhaiv Kutumbakam", which was a synthesis of Indian melody, western



harmony and Arabian mood and had 23 musical instruments played by the students.

After a welcome song, students from Korea and Thailand presented a traditional Thai dance mixed with Korean steps. After this, one of the Korean students presented a beautiful Korean love song. A couple of IB students presented another love song but this time in German language. The title of the song was "Die unstillbare Gier", which was a melodious number taken from the musi-



cal "Dance of the Vampire". The School Choir presented an English song called "People Over the World". The translated version of the same song was sung in German language as well.

There were plenty of dance items also. A group of students enthralled the audience with a foottapping rendition of the famous Latin American Cha-cha-cha dance. A few Korean students presented a dance item depicting the theme of innocence of child-hood and the loss of that innocence when that child enters the adult world. One of the items that captivated the guests was the lively and fun filled Bhangra dance from Punjab.

There was no dearth of items displaying the histrionic abilities of The Sagar School students. There were three separate drama presentations in English, Hindi and French. The audiences were enthralled to a hilarious satire on educational system in an adaptation of the play "The Refund" by Percival Wilde. It is the story of a



good-for-nothing student who comes back to his old school demanding his tuition fee that he paid 18 years ago. The principal of the school asks him to appear for a small test and if he fails in this test, his tuition fee would be refunded. Now the aim of the student is to fail the test and that of his teachers is to see that he does not fail at any cost, lest they have to refund the tuition fee.

The second drama presentation was a Hindi play "Andher Nagri Chopat Raja". It is the story of a foolish king who mismanages the affairs of his kingdom. Using common sense and wisdom, the chief minister of the kingdom saves the kingdom from ruin and disaster. The third drama presentation was a French Skit —"Le Nez" which was a parody of one of the scenes in The Ramayana. The cultural programme ended with singing of the school song and the national anthem.

After lunch, it was time for the school fete. There was plenty of opportunity for all to indulge in



gastronomical delights at the various stalls. Along with that, everyone had a lot of fun with various games and fun activities that were on offer. It was a day to remember for one and all.

Swati Gupta (XI)

It was a nice and sunny day on

REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATIONS...

the 58th Republic Day Celebrations in The Sagar School. Lt. Col. S.P. Sharma, our school Bursar, was the Chief Guest for the day. The celebrations began with the hoisting of the tri-color, followed by the singing of the national anthem. Apoorva Agarwal (XII IB) delivered a speech based on the President of India, Dr. Abdul Kalam's address to the nation where he spoke about his vision of making India a developed and a self-sufficient nation by the year 2020. The patriotic mood was in-

fused by the School choir with the song "Sare Jahan Se Accha" composed by Alama Iqbal. The Chief Guest, Col. S.P. Sharma, addressed the School. The programme concluded with a rendition of the patriotic song "Vande Mataram". This was followed by distribution of sweets.

Siddhartha Bothra (XI)



SCHOOL NEWS...



An art and crafts workshop was held in the Art Depart-ment under the

co-ordination of Mr. A. Mohan on January 13 and 14, 2007. Four faculty members from Modern Public School, Barakhamba Road, New Delhi taught students of Class VII, VIII and IX the art of Tie and Dye and Clay modeling. The students participated enthusiastically.

Lohri was celebrated with bonfire on January 13. Students and teachers enjoyed kite-flying on the occasion of Makar Sakranti. A magic show was also organised for the kids.

Mr. Om Singh Chundawat joined the Sagar School family on January 9 as the Business Studies teacher.

Some IB teachers from the school attended an IB workshop at Shri

Ram School, Gurgaon.

Pre-Board Exams for Classes X and XII were held in January.

New prefect designates for the four houses and the girls hostel were appointed on January 8, 2007. They are: Diamond House-Devi Prasad, Emerald House-Saurav Deshwal, Ruby House-Sarthak Kakkar, Sapphire House-Siddhartha Bothra and Girls Hostel-Roopal Agarwal.

Sarthak Kakkar (XI)

EXCHANGE PROGRAMMES, EXPEDITION & COMMUNITY SERVICE...

Two gap students - Miss. Lea from Germany and Mr. Alex from England joined the school for 3-4 months under the International students exchange programme. They were later joined by Miss. Pina, another student from Stuttgart.

IAYP students of Class IX visit the nearby village every Wednesday as part



of their Community Development Programme led by Mrs. Helen Jose and Mr. M. Parmeshwaran. IAYP students along with IBDP CAS students attended an expe-

dition programme to the nearby mountain ranges to study the flora of the place.



Anu Lisa Jose (XI)

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