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**DEAR PARENTS,**

Greetings from DYP-SPIS! Hope all of you are doing well at your end. Month of September was a balanced mixture of fun activities and serious academics for the DYP-SPISians. Throughout the month we had a lot of activity and at the end of the month students sat for their first assessment tests ( *Mid-Semester I* ) for this academic year. Preparations for *Annual Day* ( scheduled on 27th and 28th of October, 2010 ) has already started and both students and teachers are actively participating to make it a great event.

**Ganapati Bappa Morya! Ganapati Festival in DYP-SPIS**



*Ganapati Festival* once again held with pomp and grandeur this year in DYP-SPIS. We celebrated ganesh puja in our school atrium. The atrium was beautifully decorated by our art department teachers and students.



On 13th, 14th and 15th September at 8 a.m. the entire school came together in the atrium for the morning Arati. After Arati , Prasad was distributed to the students by the teachers.



On 15th September afternoon we bid adieu to Ganapati Bappa - the entire school came together again in a procession which was followed by the immersion of the idol. Students really enjoyed being in the procession and dancing with the rhythmic music.



## Workshops and Conference attended by DYP-SPIS Teachers and Coordinators



In Dyp-SPIS the management and the Head of School are always keen on sending teachers and administrators to various workshops for their professional development. In September our IGCSE Mathematics teacher **Mr. Sanjay Sabharwal** and IGCSE Business Studies teacher **Mr. Rakesh Kumar Saini** went to Hyderabad and Chennai respectively for a professional development workshop (IG-CSE), organized by CIE, in their respective subjects. It was an worthwhile experience for both of them as they got the opportunity to interact with experienced CIE examiners of their respective subjects. They also got a chance to meet teachers from other schools in India and abroad and share ideas about teaching methodologies and practices. We hope both of them will apply the knowledge gained to the best use and help our students to achieve greater heights.

After they came back the three senior coordinators of the school—myself, **Mr. Amit Rastogi** (IBDP Coordinator) and **Mr. Gopalraj** (Curriculum and Assessment Coordinator) went for a three day long conference of Administrators arranged by **TAISI** (The Association of International Schools in India) in

Lavasa, Pune. The theme of the conference was 'Change and Innovation— Exploring the possibilities: E-cubed— **Excitement, Energy and Empowerment.**'

It was a great learning experience for all of us and an excellent exposure to the developing trends of international education throughout the World.





### Teachers' Day Celebration

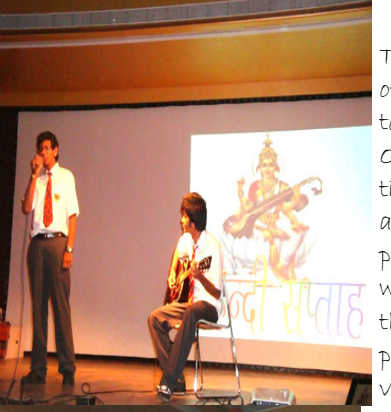
On Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September we celebrated Teachers Day in School. The celebration started in the morning when students of IBDP Year 2 volunteered to take the first period of all other classes relieving the teachers. Then at 9a.m. the entire school gathered in the auditorium for the celebration. Students organized games and fun events for teachers. Later they performed various songs and dance. At the end the Head of School distributed gift vouchers to all the teaching staff which came from the students as a gift for their beloved teachers. The support staffs of the school were also distributed snacks. This was a nice gesture from the students of DYP-SPIS towards their teachers as well as the support staffs of school.



### Hindi Divas Celebration

This year the Hindi Language department of our school planned a weeklong celebration to observe **Hindi Divas**.

On 9<sup>th</sup> an inter-house Hindi elocution competition was organized by Hindi Department as a part of their Hindi divas celebration program. Students spoke on two topics. One was the importance of sports in our life and the other one was on the relevance of independence in the modern India. Students had very less time to prepare but most of them spoke well. On 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> of September Inter- House Hindi singing competition and Antakshari competition took place respectively. The celebration culminated with a **special assembly** organized by the Hindi Department on 15<sup>th</sup> September where students took part in Hindi Poem recitation competition. At the end prizes were distributed by the HOS and the program coordinators. This was a good initiative by the Hindi Department to uphold our national language.





### Assemblies

Conducting assemblies is an integral part of the student activity in DYP-SPIS. Month of September began and ended with two beautiful assemblies conducted by our IGCSE grade 10 and grade 9 students.

On Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September; Grade 10 assembly on **Janmasthaní**. Students did a skit on the birth of Lord Krishna. The specialty of the skit was the beautiful visual effect created on the stage with the help of the projector. It was done first time in the school assembly and was appreciated by all. The student also did a demo of the famous **Dahi- Handi** celebration on the stage which is an integral part of Janmasthaní celebration.

On 29<sup>th</sup> September grade 9 conducted an assembly to celebrate **Gandhi Jayanti** and **Navratri**. They showed a nice and informative PowerPoint presentation on the life and work of Gandhiji. They also performed a small skit on Navratri celebration. They all dressed up nicely and performed Arati and dance as is done during Navratri celebration. This was highly appreciated by everyone present there.



### Sports Update

On 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> of September **inter-house Badminton** (Junior & Senior boys) took place. Dragon house was the winner. In seniors Sushant and Shyam of Dragon house defeated Sael and Heer of Elephant House respectively in the finals. In Junior Anjhin who is also from Dragon house was the winner.



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