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# DPSCHRONCLE



# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents

Greetings to you all from DPS Budgam! Hope this year brings forth immense prosperity and glory to all of us.

It is true that the COVID-19 pandemic has taken a toll on all of us, especially children and their education. However, the School and its dedicated staff made every effort to mitigate adverse impacts and to reach every child and parent through a well-planned online system. The return to in-person schooling is most welcome but it has been accompanied by challenges. Children's exposure to excessive screen time, online bullying, social isolation, lack of physical activities etc., have contributed to issues related to mental health and well-being. As parents and teachers, we have to help our children get back on track in a happy and helpful way. For this session, with a clear vision to 'Motivate, Educate and Empower' our students by reinforcing their own expectations, we are trying our best to bring back the momentum in developing academics and other skills. Problems and challenges need to be faced courageously with conviction in our principles, trust in each other, and confidence in our abilities. We at DPS Budgam believe that education is about cultivating a sense of wonder in students so that their pursuit of knowledge helps them form their own ideas about the world. So, let's keep our eyes focused on our children and help them blossom and become the best version of themselves. Prayers and Regards!



Shobhna Sirohi | Principal



# PART 1 | KEY EVENTS | 2022

#### **SCHOOL REOPENING**

After so many days of empty classrooms, the School reopened for the students from class Nursery to 10th. The School reopened in a phased manner from March 2nd to March 10th.



The School welcomed the children back into the learning environment for in-person classes. The first day of School was memorable and eventful for children and staff, the atmosphere being full of hope, joy and enthusiasm.





#### ORIENTATION

A Walkthrough of School Processes

DPS Budgam organised an **Orientation Programme** for the parents of Class Nursery, LKG and UKG on March 4 and 5, 2022. It was a productive session with an aspiration to stride towards a strong partnership between parents and the School. Parents were familiarised with the vision, mission and various policies of the School which aim to nurture children so as to craft a strong foundation for their future.



During the session parents learned about each aspect of the School and how they can work in partnership with the School to ensure their children's well-being.

#### **CELEBRATING WOMEN'S DAY**

DPS Budgam organised a **Poster Making Competition** for the students of class 10th on the eve of '*International Women's Day*' which is celebrated on 8th March, 2022 all over the world.





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# PART 1 | KEY EVENTS | 2022

#### CELEBRATING WOMEN'S DAY



The theme of the competition was 'Women's Empowerment. The young learners displayed their artistic skills through an array of posters. It was a great opportunity to watch these young minds creating and displaying their ideas on paper. The competition ended with a message that Women's Day is all about strength, resilience and compassion.

#### **PLANTATION DRIVE**

In order to sensitize students towards the need to preserve our environment and ecology, a Tree Plantation Drive was held by the School on 30th March 2022. 'One student one tree' was the motto of the drive. It was a drive to boost awareness among



students about the need of environmental conservation. The students and the teachers planted conifer saplings in the School campus and took an oath to look after the planted saplings, plant more and more trees and encourage others to do the same. The Pro VC DPS Budgam, Mrs Mumtazunnisa Soz and the Principal, Ms. Shobhna Sirohi also took part in the plantation drive and planted saplings with the students.



It was a sight to see the little children taking active part in planting saplings with their mentors. The students learnt that we humans are not the owners of this earth but custodians who have to help preserve nature for the coming generations. Judicious use of natural resources was also stressed at the occasion.

#### **HEALTHY SNACKING**

The Food We Choose, Makes A Difference.



To encourage healthy eating habits, the challenge is to make nutritious choices appealing for children.



April 1 is observed as 'World Health Day' throughout the world. The School celebrated the day under the theme of Healthy and Nutritious Snacking to create awareness amongst children regarding the importance of eating healthy food. Students of primary and middle wings of DPS Budgam participated in a series of activities on highlighting the importance of healthy food. Students prepared different healthy snacks like fruit salads, healthy burgers, smoothies, fresh juices with the help of the teachers to highlight that fruits are an important part of a healthy diet. Some students used placards to describe the nutritional value of healthy foods in their respective classes.

#### **CELEBRATING EARTHDAY**

The earth is what we all have in common and trees are sources of life on it. On the occasion of the 'World Earth Day' on April 22, students prepared flowerpots from waste materials and planted saplings in them. Some students also made birdhouses, charts, posters, etc. to highlight the ways of keeping our earth healthy and clean. It was an activity with an important message of Green Earth Clean Earth.





All the sections from classes 6 to 10 participated in it. Class teachers also educated the students on the ways to keep our earth healthy.

#### MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION

A mother's love is to be treasured. The bond of a mother and her child is wonderful and incredibly hard to describe. To celebrate this bond, students of DPS Budgam celebrated 'Mother's Day' with lot of emotions and merriment.





## PART 1 | KEY EVENTS | 2022

#### MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION



Students of grades 1st and 2nd celebrated the day on 7th and 9th May, 2022. The celebration highlighted the purity of the bond that is beyond any other relationship in the world. The children, out of immense love and gratitude sang many songs and performed wonderful dances.



All performances exalted the mother as a teacher, friend, philosopher, and guide. The event emphasised the truth that a mother's love is like nothing else in the world.

#### **INVESTITURE CEREMONY**

The Investiture Ceremony of DPS Budgam for the academic session 2022 was held on 18th May, 2022. The ceremony was held with great dignity and earnest passion. The ceremony was presided over by the School Principal Ms Shobhna Sirohi. Badges were pinned to the young leaders. All the members of the Student Council expressed their commitment to work with dedication for their fellow students.



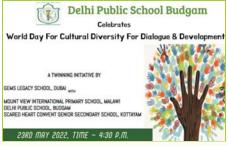
Ms Shobhna Sirohi congratulated the new members of the Student Council and advised them to exhibit utmost sincerity and dedication in performing their duties. The Principal while addressing the Student Council said that 'it is the beginning of a journey to set an example and pass on the values and ethos of the School to their fellow students'.

#### **DECLAMATION**

Declamation is a rhetorical exercise or a set speech. Students from class 6th participated in a **Declamation Event** held in the School auditorium on 23rd May, 2022. The theme of the declamation was 'What measures should be taken to get rid of child labour?'. Students from class 6th participated in the event. The participants spoke with enthusiasm and highlighted the importance of the measures to be taken to get rid of child labour. Six best speakers were recognized for their excellent speeches and the rest of the students who participated in the event were encouraged to improve and come forward and speak in future on such topics.

#### WORLD CULTURAL DIVERSITY

Diversity in schools builds critical thinkers, improves academic outcomes, and helps students feel represented and included.



To celebrate diversity DPS Budgam conducted a twinning programme on 'World' Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development' in collaboration with the Gems Legacy School Dubai. Both Schools have already worked together for a Cultural Exchange Twinning Programme and World Environment Day on a virtual platform. The programme aims to decipher the importance of cultures that have been

maintained from the times immemorial. The students of classes 6th, 7th and 8th presented various cultures of India as the Indian culture is an amalgamation of different cultures. Some other institutions like Mount View International Primary School, Malawi and Sacred Heart Convent Senior Secondary School, Kottayam were also part of this programme.

#### **CLASS 11 ORIENTATION**

The School organised an **Orientation Programme** for the new batch of class 11 on 31st May, 2022. The programme commenced with a warm welcome to students. This was followed by a detailed description of the learning parameters and the teaching and learning pedagogy followed in DPS Budgam.



The aim of this programme was to discuss the aspects of the different streams and the subjects that are offered in each stream in class 11. The objective of the exercise was to orient the students in order that they be enabled to select the academic stream most suited to their aptitudes and capabilities. Subject experts spoke on the various topics, including the curriculum as well as career opportunities associated with each field. The students were updated about the several subject combinations that would be made available to them in class 11.









# PART 2 | STUDENT COUNCIL | 2022

	PARI 2   310DLIV	
SE	NIOR WING	
Position	Name of Student	
Head Boy Vice Head Boy Head Girl Vice Head Girl	Ehsan-ul-Haq Fazeel Makhdoomi Aliza Zehra Maria Fayaz	
	USE CAPTAINS	
Nigeen House		
Captain Vice-Captain	Abdul Hadi Wani Zohab Zubir Rafiqi	
	DAL HOUSE	
Captain Vice-Captain	Muizz Mehraj Rabiya	
W	ular House	
Captain Vice-Captain	Murrad Hussain Samra Asif	
	NASBAL HOUSE	
House Captain Vice-Captain	Abdul Muizz Myra Bazaz	
Uniform Incharges	Hanan Altaf; Ajmal Firdous Tabin Hanief; Bareen Riyaz Arsh Naseer; Sabahat Mukhtar	
Cleanliness Incharges	Mir Dawar; Muiza Asmi Praneet Pal; Filzah Fida; Mir Aayat	
Discipline Incharges	Affan Malik (Head) Imaad Banday; Aayat Imtiyaz Adil Rashid; Madiha Aijaz Mansha Zehra; Syed Noor ul Ain Muhadisa Tasneem Mohd Dawar Iqbal; Affan Khan Abliza; Armaan Fazili	
Assembly Incharges	Tania Wani; Mohd Muheeb Fahad Khan; Syed Saadat Shazima Qazi; Rayyan Rafiq	
Home Science Club	Roshansa Baghat	
Sports Fitness Club	Zaid bin Rashid	
Literature Club Club	Abida Argawan	
Entreneurship	Mohd Hassan Azam	
SENIOR WING   MEDIA CLUB		
Incharge	Mohd Azam	
	Qazi Zaid	
Photographer	Yasir Abbas	

JUNIOR WING		
POSITION N	ame of Student	
Head Boy Vice Head Boy Head Girl Vice Head Girl	Mohd Ayaan Anshveer Singh Hiba Shawl Manshada Hilal	
HOUSE CAPTAINS		
Nigeen House		
Captain Vice-Captain	Ummi Hani Eshail Buch	
Dal House		
Captain Vice-Captain	Mohammed Saad Aleeza Bashir	
Wular House		
Captain Vice-Captain	Meerol Pareza Laiba Sameer	
Mana	SBAL HOUSE	
House Captain Vice-Captain	Rafi-ul-Raza Ammar Bin Yasir	
Uniform Incharges	Ayesha Khan; Abdul Tawab Myra Sajad; Mohd Dawar Mir	
Cleanliness Incharges	Malik Zehran; Aayat Sameer Tazmeen Showkat; Mohd Muteen	
Discipline Incharges	Warisha Jain; Dayen Tariq Mohd Anas; Ayesha Manzoor	
Assembly Incharges	Rahat Nabi; Hoor Zehra Gilkar Mohd Jazib; Lubna Tufail	
Sports Captain   Boys	Mohd Fardeen	
Vice Captain	Mohd Taheem	
Sports Captain   Girls	Barakha Nazir	
Vice Captain	Moicheele Bhat; Midhat Tooba	

SENIOR WING   MEDIA CLUB		
Writer	Abida Argawan; Salsabeel	
Event Club	Naiman Nisar; Qazi Zaid Khushnuma Arif; Samrath Singh	
IT Club	Rehan Nazir; Zeedan Feroz Khan Madiha Khan	
Science Club	Dawood Farooqi	
Sports Captain	Shakir Mukhtar; Farheen Fayaz Syed Zahid	



## PART 3 | CO-CURRICULAR ACHIEVEMENTS | 2022

#### Walkathon For Drug Free Kashmir

With an aim to eradicate the drug menace in society, students of DPS Budgam participated in a **Walkathon Event** organised by 'The White Globe'. Various schools and clubs participated in the 'Walk', in keeping with the cause of **Drug Free Kashmir**. The event culminated in an oath taken by participants to make the society free of drugs.

#### Inter Zonal Badminton Championship



Two students of DPS Budgam, Farhan Manzoor and Rehan Manzoor participated in the 48th Jammu and Kashmir Badminton Championship on 21st March, 2022. The boys were a part of Inter Zonal Championship (under 14), 28th Srinagar District Championship, 18th Budgam District Championship (under 14) and Singles Inter Railway Championship (under 13). In all the tournaments they fared extremely well and won Player of the Tournament and Final runner-up awards.

#### 24th Taekwondo Championship

Champions keep playing until they get it right. It was a moment to rejoice as the students of DPS Budgam participated and bagged medals in the 24th J&K Taekwondo

Championship 2021-2022 at Indoor Complex Hall, Jammu from 26th-29th March, 2022. Musharraf Bilal, Tamana Bilal, Hareem Zaffar and Mohammad Tihami performed admirably. Mohammad Tihami won the Gold Medal and Tamana Bilal and Hareem Zaffar won Bronze Medals at the event.







We congratulate the students for this feat.

EDUCATING THE MIND WITHOUT EDUCATING THE HEART IS NO EDUCATION AT ALL.

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## PART 3 | CO-CURRICULAR ACHIEVEMENTS | 2022

#### Trekking Class 3rd to 12th

Being out in nature is perhaps the healthiest activity available, rejuvenating the soul, challenging our bodies and soothing our minds. In this connection, day treks were organised by the Physical Education Department of the School from Zabarvan Park to Shankaracharya Temple for class 3rd-12th from 23rd to 30th March, 2022. The students and their teachers had a lot of fun, even as they got an opportunity to take a break from their regular schedules.







# DPS Budgam Students Shine in Badminton

The Zonal Physical Education Office Budgam organized the Inter School Zonal Level Badminton Championship for boys and girls at the Indoor Sports Stadium Budgam on 21st and 22nd April, 2022.

Over 140 players from different institutions participated in the tournament with great enthusiasm. DPS Budgam was declared the winner in Boys and Girls U-14 Doubles. The School also emerged winner in U-17 Singles and U-14 Singles.





Four students of the School bagged Gold Medals in the tournament - Rehaan Manzoor for Singles U-17, Deepanjan Singh for Doubles U-14, Ryaan Khurshid for Doubles U-14 and Hyder Ali for Singles U-14.

IN SCHOOL, YOU'RE TAUGHT A LESSON AND THEN GIVEN A TEST.

IN LIFE, YOU'RE GIVEN A TEST THAT TEACHES YOU A LESSON.

Tom Bodett





## PART 3 | CO-CURRICULAR ACHIEVEMENTS | 2022

#### Inter School Badminton Championship

The Zonal Physical Education Office Budgam organized Inter School Zonal Level Badminton Championship of Girls at Indoor Sports Stadium Budgam on 25th April, 2022. Players from the different institutions took part in the tournament with great enthusiasm and played well. DPS Budgam was declared winner in Girls U-19 Doubles and U-19 Singles. Congratulaions to all winners.

The Championship concluded with the ceremony of honouring the players and the respective schools.





# DPS Budgam students presented a stellar show

The Zonal Physical Education Office Budgam organized the Inter School Zonal Level Kho-Kho Competition for Girls on 23rd May, 2022. Participants from 15 schools played with great fervour and enthusiasm. DPS Budgam won the U-19 competition defeating GHSS Humhama. DPS Budgam was also declared the winner in U-17 against GHS Budgam and in U-14 defeating KVS Humhama. Congratulating the School team, the Principal said that this victory is evidence of efforts put in by students and the Physical Education Department of the School.





THE THINGS TAUGHT IN SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES ARE NOT AN EDUCATION, BUT THE MEANS OF EDUCATION.

RALPH WALDO EMERSON





# PART 4 | CAMPUS TIMELINE | 2022



World Book Day



Baisakhi Celebrations by Class 2nd A and 6th F



Arbor Day by Class 5th B and 6th A



World Earth Day assembly by Class 4th B and 7th A



International Day of Happiness assembly by Class 5th C



Ms Tanveer Joo designated as In-charge of Junior Wing

#### FEBRUARY 2022

#### 15 February 2022

Final examination of Class 11th started

#### **MARCH 2022**

#### 2 March 2022

• School Reopened for Grade 6th to 10th

#### 3 March 2022

• School Reopened for Grade 3rd to 5th

#### 4 March 2022

• Orientation of Class Nursery

#### 5 March 2022

Orientation of Class LKG and UKG

#### 7 March 2022

• Visit by Pro VC Ms. Mumtazunisa Soz

#### 7 to 10 March 2022

• School welcomed Grade Nursery to 2nd

#### 9 March 2022

- Special assembly on 'Women's Day' by 5th A
- First assembly of LKG and UKG
- Visit by DCCR Kashmir to the School

#### 10 March 2022

• Women's Day Celebration by Class 10th

#### 12 March 2022

- Special assembly on 'Arbor Day' by 5th B and 6th A
- Safety Committee Meeting
- PTM of Class 11th

#### 11 to 14 March 2022

 Entrance examination against vacancies for all classes

#### 16 March 2022

• Beginning of new academic session for the Class 12th

#### 19 March 2022

 Special assembly on 'International Day of Happiness' by Class 5th C

#### 23 March 2022

- Ms Tanveer Joo designated as In-charge of Junior Wing, DPS Budgam
- Special assembly on 'World Water Day' by Class 5th E and 6th D

#### 23 to 30 March 2022

 Trekking events organised by the Physical Education Department of the School for Class 4th to 9th

#### 24 March 2022

 Special assembly on 'World Water Day' by Class 5th D and 6th C

#### 30 March 2022

• Plantation Drive organised by the School

#### **APRIL 2022**

#### 7 April 2022

• 'World Health Day' celebrated by Class 2nd B and 6th E

#### 14 April 2022

- Visit by the Director DPS Budgam, Mr. Salman Anees Soz
- Annual meeting of HODs, Academic-incharges, Non-Academic-in-charges and HRD with the Director DPS Budgam

#### 16 April 2022

- Baisakhi celebration by Class 2nd A and 6th F
- Selection of the Student Council by the Principal (Class 12th)

#### 18 April 2022

- Student Council selection (junior wing)
- Special assembly on 'World Heritage Day' by Class 4th A and 10th B

#### 19 April 2022

Period Test 1 for Class 1st to 10th began

#### 20 April 2022

- 'World Earth Day' celebration
- Special assembly by Class 4th B and 7th A

#### 21 April 2022

 Poster making on 'Save Earth' in collaboration with the Gems Legacy School Dubai

#### 21 to 25 April 2022

 Participation in Badminton Championship organised by the Zonal Physical Education Office Budgam (boys and girls) for U-14, U-17 and U-19

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Eid Special Assembly by Class 1st A and 7th B



Labour Day celebrations by Class 4th D and 7th C



World Poetry Day assemble



Investtiture Ceremony



World Telcommunication Day by Class 3rd A



Farewell to the batch of 2022

#### 30 April 2022

• Eid Celebration-Special assembly on 'Eidul-Fitr' conducted by Class 1st A and 7th B

#### MAY 2022

#### 7 May 2022

 'Labour Day' celebrated by class 4th D and 7th C

#### 9 May 2022

- Mother's Day Celebration by Class 2nd
- Special assembly on 'Mother's Day' by class 7th E

#### 11 May 2022

- Celebration of 'Mother's Day' by Class 1st
- 'World Poetry Day' observed

#### 12 May 2022

- Special assembly conducted by the Class 8th A
- Special assembly on 'International Family Day' by class 4th F and 7th F

#### 12 to 14 May 2022

 Participation in the U-17 Badminton Championship (boys and girls)

#### 18 May 2022

• Investiture Ceremony held in the School campus

#### 19 May 2022

 Special assembly on 'Mother's Day' by class 4th E

#### 20 May 2022

 Special assembly on 'World Telecommunication Day' conducted by Class 3rd A

#### 21 May 2022

- 'World AIDS Vaccine Day' observed
- Class 5th B conducted special assembly marking the day

#### 23 May 2022

- DPS celebrates 'World Day for Cultural Diversity' in collaboration with the Gems Legacy School, Dubai
- DPS Budgam team swept the board in the district level Kho-Kho competition

#### 25 May 2022

 Trekking of Class 3rd from Zabarvan Park to Shankaracharya Temple

#### 26 May 2022

• Trekking of Class 2nd to Ompora Sidco

#### 28 May 2022

• Trekking of Class 12th from Naranag Ganderbal to Domail

#### 31 May 2022

• Orientation Programme for Class 11th

