

# DPSIS Times



The DPS Model United Nations 2026 was a distinguished two-day event that fostered diplomacy, debate, and leadership among young delegates. The conference commenced with an inspiring opening ceremony by Secretaries-General Inaya and Shriyadit, who motivated participants to confront global issues with optimism and responsibility. Six committees, including the United Nations Security Council and International Court of Justice, saw delegates engage in vibrant discussions, showcasing their research, negotiation, and collaboration skills.



Chairman Mr. C. P. Kabra formally opened the event with a ceremonial gavel strike. More than a debating platform, the conference nurtured essential abilities such as public speaking and leadership. The success of DPSMUN 2026 was attributable to the guidance of the organizing team, including dedicated educators and the Executive Board. The closing ceremony celebrated the growth and friendships formed, urging delegates to extend the spirit of MUN into their communities. Overall, the conference was a testament to the students' talent and commitment to becoming compassionate global citizens.







# Principal's Message on National Day



*As Singapore celebrates its National Day, we come together with pride and gratitude to honour the remarkable journey of a nation built on resilience, unity, determination and vision.*

*Singapore's progress reminds us that great achievements are possible when people work together with courage, discipline and a shared sense of purpose. As educators, we believe that these values must continue to inspire our students as they grow into responsible, compassionate and forward-thinking global citizens.*

*At DPS International School, National Day is not only an occasion to celebrate Singapore's achievements, but also an opportunity to reflect on our responsibility towards the community we call home. Through learning, service, environmental awareness and meaningful participation, our students continue to demonstrate that citizenship is expressed through both appreciation and action.*

*May our young learners always cherish the values of harmony, respect and perseverance that have shaped Singapore's extraordinary story.*

*On behalf of the entire DPS family, I wish everyone a joyful and meaningful National Day.*

Ms Shobha Shekhar  
Principal



# Celebrating SG61: The Spirit of Singapore

DPS International School celebrated Singapore's 61st National Day with a special assembly led by 12 ISC students. The programme featured a student-led play showcasing Singapore's journey from its early challenges to becoming a thriving nation, highlighting the values of leadership, resilience, education, innovation and unity. Mathangi's "Home" reverberated across the hall. The assembly also recognised students who participated in Model United Nations before concluding with the school community proudly singing Amritha and Mathangi led Majulah Singapura, celebrating Singapore's spirit of unity and progress.



DPS students marked National Day by representing the school at the National Day Community Celebration at Paya Lebar Kovan CC, where they worked with NEA to promote the Beverage Container Return Scheme and encourage responsible recycling. Their confidence, teamwork and environmental awareness reflected the importance of active citizenship and contributing to Singapore's future.





## A RESPLENDENT TRIBUTE TO INDIA AT THE HIGH COMMISSION

DPS International School had the distinguished honour of presenting a captivating cultural performance at the Indian High Commission as part of the Independence Day commemorations on August 15<sup>th</sup> 2026. The presentation, titled "Bharat Ye Rehna Chahiye" was a vibrant homage to India's freedom, unity and enduring cultural legacy.

The performance brought together the classical elegance of Kathak and Bharatanatyam, choreographed with finesse by Ms. Surbhi Ruhela. The dancers' poised movements, expressive gestures and rhythmic precision transformed the stage into a powerful visual celebration of India's artistic heritage. Complementing the choreography was a specially recorded vocal track rendered by Mr. Anand, Ms. Payel B., Ms. Shriya, Ms. Rashmi, Hifza, Adyanika, Nand, Aditi and Rudransh, making the presentation a remarkable collaboration between teachers and students.



The ensemble of eleven student dancers performed with admirable grace, confidence and synchronisation, creating an evocative portrayal of patriotism and cultural pride. Guided by Ms. Surbhi Ruhela and Mr. Anand Dhamelia, the performance stood out as a refined and memorable tribute to the spirit of Independence Day.

More than a stage presentation, it was a confluence of music, movement and national sentiment, reflecting the school's commitment to nurturing both artistic excellence and a profound appreciation of India's cultural identity.





## Spring Triumphs in Basketball Interhouse!

The school basketball tournament came to an exciting close, with Spring securing the top position after an intense and highly competitive series of matches. From the opening game to the final whistle, every team brought energy, determination, and strong teamwork to the court, making for a thrilling tournament.

Spring finished in first place, followed by Lake in second, Glacier in third, and Oasis in fourth. Each team competed with commitment and gave their best throughout the tournament, creating plenty of memorable moments on the court.

Congratulations to all participating teams for their enthusiasm, effort, competitive spirit, and sportsmanship. Their energy and commitment made the tournament a great success and a competition to remember.



## Lake Roars To Victory! Soccer Interhouse



The school field came alive with energy as students from Classes 7 to 12 battled it out in the Inter-House Soccer Championship.

On Thursday, Lake, Glacier, Spring and Oasis faced one another in a series of exciting matches, with Lake and Glacier earning their places in the grand final on 7 August 2026.

The final day began with a dramatic cloudburst, but the rain could not dampen the players' spirits! As the skies cleared, the excitement returned in full force. Amid loud cheers and fantastic House spirit, Lake and Glacier played a thrilling final.

Lake House emerged Champions, followed by Glacier in second place, Spring in third and Oasis in fourth. A fantastic celebration of teamwork, determination, sportsmanship and school spirit – congratulations to all our players!



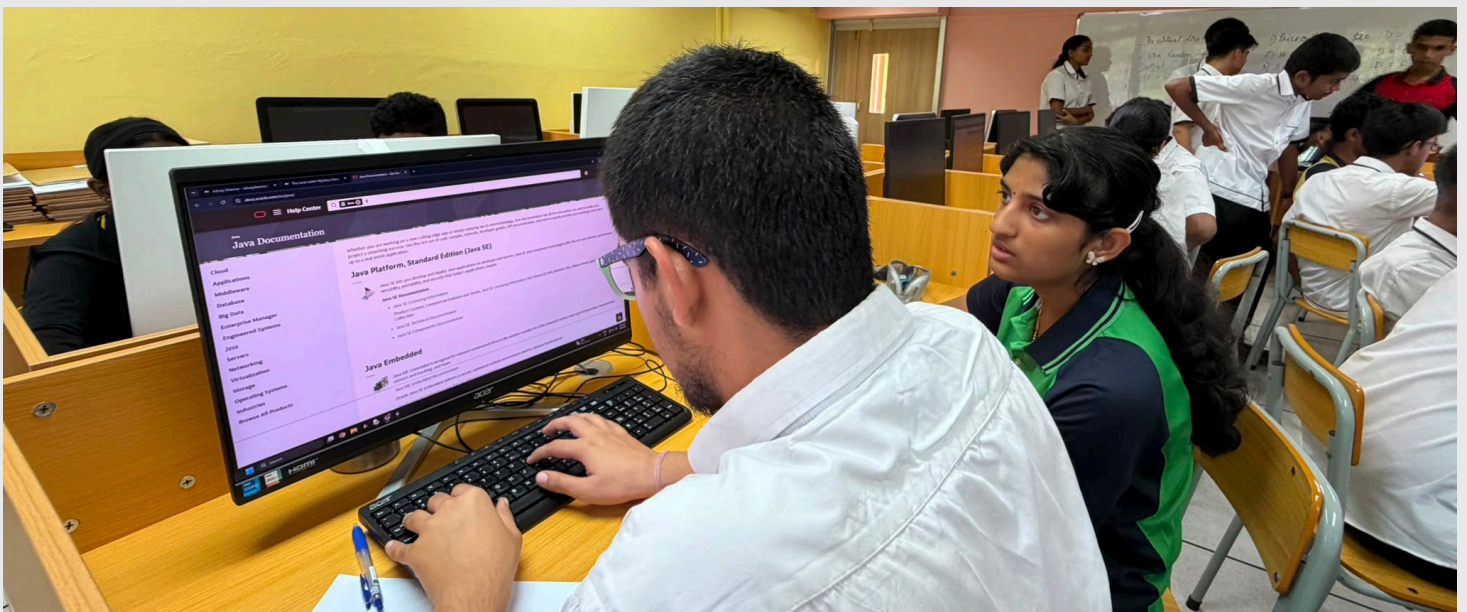
# CODE CLASH

## INTER-HOUSE CODING COMPETITION 2026

The spirit of innovation and problem-solving came alive on 4 August 2026 as students competed in the Inter-House Coding Competition. The event was conducted in two categories - Juniors (Classes 9-10) and Seniors (Classes 11-12) - giving participants the opportunity to test their programming skills against challenging problems of varying difficulty. Competitors tackled five coding challenges with each problem worth 100 points.



Solutions were submitted through an online platform and automatically tested for accuracy, rewarding logical thinking, precision and the ability to meet every criterion. In the Junior Category, Lake House emerged victorious, followed by Oasis, Glacier and Spring. In the Senior Category, Oasis House claimed the top position, with Glacier, Spring and Lake securing the remaining places. The competition was an exciting celebration of computational thinking, coding accuracy, perseverance and healthy House rivalry, and showcased the growing confidence and technical skills of our young programmers.





# Senior Inter-House Music Competition

## Spring Strikes the Winning Note!



The Senior Inter-House Music Competition for Grades 8 to 12 unfolded as an impressive showcase of musical interpretation, emotion and performance skill. With the themes "Longingness" for Solo, "Betrayal" for Duet and "Voices of the Narrative" for Group performances, students explored a rich range of moods and stories through music.

The stage resonated with expressive voices, thoughtful interpretations and confident presentations as each House brought its own distinctive style to the competition. The performances reflected not only musical ability, but also the students' willingness to experiment, collaborate and communicate emotion through song.

After a closely contested event, Spring House claimed the top position, with Oasis House securing second place, Glacier House taking third and Lake House finishing fourth.

The competition was a wonderful reminder of the power of music to tell stories, stir emotions and bring people together. Congratulations to Spring House and to every participant who made the stage come alive with talent and passion!





# WHEN AI MEETS A BOOK: WHO WINS?

Grade 8 IG A takes the stage to explore reading, thinking and the smart use of technology

Can AI do everything? The students of Grade 8 IG A brought this question to life during the school assembly through their lively and thought-provoking skit, "AI Knows Everything... Does It?"

With humour, relatable classroom situations and a few unexpected twists, the students explored what happens when technology becomes the easiest answer to every question. Alex, who turns to AI for almost everything, soon discovers that getting an answer is not the same as understanding it.

The skit highlighted the importance of reading, critical thinking and fact-checking, while reminding students that information should not always be accepted at face value. The humorous AI "glitch" further reinforced the value of books, which remain a dependable learning companion—no internet connection required!



The performance also raised a practical concern about using AI from a young age. When students rely too heavily on instant answers, they may spend less time reading, thinking through problems, forming their own ideas and learning from mistakes. AI can be a useful learning assistant, but it should support these skills rather than replace them.

The skit ended with a clear and memorable message: READ. THINK. VERIFY. USE AI WISELY.

Grade 8 IG A's performance was an entertaining reminder that while technology can make learning easier, real learning still requires us to think for ourselves.





# Students' Voice

Real Voices. Real Experiences. Real Impact.

## Behind the placard

Being the delegate of Ethiopia in the United Nations Security Council was critical and thrilling. As the representative of Ethiopia, my main aim was to pay attention to peace and security in Africa while protecting my country's interests everywhere.

Debate sessions were dynamic and effective from the beginning. Working with representatives from other countries has taught me the essence of listening to others and finding compromise and common ground even if the discussions are about matters on which everyone has their own stance.

The resolution drafting and negotiating process resulted in me learning how to improvise and communicate properly in front of the audience. It was inspiring to witness the transformation from a number of conflicting opinions into a single action plan.

Representing Ethiopia was a fantastic experience. The focus of my work has been on the issues relating to African peace and cooperation. The process of writing resolutions taught me how to negotiate and listen to people. It was a real honour for me to get the title of Best Delegate!

Overall, I have learned that international problem solving represents a difficult process that nonetheless shows in practice that collaboration can make the world a better place.



Shlok Pandey IAS,  
Delegation of India, WHO.

## Through a Delegate's eyes



Diva Aga IAS  
Delegation of India, WHO.

My very first MUN experience at school was an absolute blast! From the excitement of the opening ceremony to the final moments of the closing ceremony, every part of the conference was an experience to remember.

As the delegate of India in the WHO committee, I gained a deeper understanding of the challenges faced by nations around the world and the solutions being implemented to address them.

More importantly, I learned how to collaborate, compromise and communicate effectively to develop practical solutions.

Winning the Best Delegate award was an incredibly rewarding moment that boosted my confidence and made me believe in my abilities even more. MUN pushed me out of my comfort zone and helped me develop valuable skills in critical thinking, public speaking and problem-solving. MUN also gave me the opportunity to effectively put my viewpoint across in a formal and diplomatic setting, while listening to and understanding perspectives different from my own.

Beyond the debates and discussions, it also gave me the opportunity to make wonderful memories and form friendships that I hope will last long beyond the conference. The energy, enthusiasm and passion of every delegate made the experience truly unforgettable, and I am already looking forward to my next MUN conference!



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## A Million Dreams, One Red Canvas

The warm, humid air hits you strongly the moment you walk out of Changi Airport, a familiar feeling of home and reassurance that you are where you are meant to be. Sweat dripping down your neck the second you step outside is all a part of the experience. However, you look upon the breathtaking greenery and forget all about the heat. The diversity of trees and plants, and their presence in unexpected places, brings a warmth and joy that only Singapore can provide.

Singapore has certainly spoiled me, making me unappreciative of how rare this level of safety and harmony is as compared to the rest of the world. As I begin to recollect all my memories here in Singapore, a particular day of every year always comes to mind, a day celebrated by all of Singapore alike, National Day.



Niya Sabu Maliyil  
11 ISC

Singapore does not hold back on celebrations for National Day. The skies are adorned with fireworks, and every Community Centre hosts its own mini celebration. I personally look forward to these days as an opportunity to forge new connections at the Community Centre and practice my Singlish. Regardless of my proficiency, the aunties and uncles are more than eager to converse with me. These events foster a sense of communal bonding that is quite rare in this technology-driven world.

Every August 9th, Singapore transforms into a sea of red and white. You can feel the vibrant energy in the air long before the evening show even begins. Families and neighbours gather around under the night sky, their eyes illuminated by the dazzling bursts of crimson and gold fireworks blooming over the Marina Bay skyline. In that moment, the deep sense of unity and belonging becomes impossible to mistake. Singapore might just be a small red dot on the map, but it fills up every corner of my heart.



Ananya Chourasia  
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## Independence Day: A Celebration That Kept Us Connected to Our Heritage

Living abroad often means that celebrations of festivals can feel somewhat distant, leaving many non-resident Indians feeling less connected to the traditions and cultural practices of home. Independence Day, however, proved to be a wonderful exception, thanks to the many celebrations that brought the spirit of India alive in Singapore.

The High Commission of India in Singapore once again marked the occasion with vibrant cultural performances, and DPS was proud to be a part of the celebrations. Our students beautifully blended creativity with heritage through a graceful dance presentation that brought together classical forms such as Kathak and Bharatanatyam. The performers worked with great dedication, and their efforts culminated in a memorable presentation that reflected both artistic expression and cultural pride.

Back at school, students also came together for special assemblies that honoured the struggles and sacrifices of those who helped shape India's journey to independence. The celebrations concluded on a joyful note with vibrant tributes to Indian cinema and culture through song and dance.

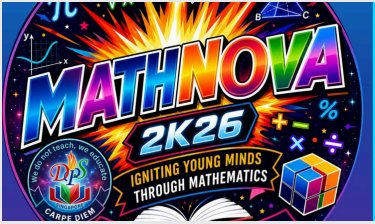
Overall, the Independence Day celebrations reminded us that distance does not diminish our connection to our roots. Instead, occasions like these allowed us to celebrate our traditions, honour our heritage and feel closer to the country that continues to be an important part of our identity.

For DPSites, it was a meaningful celebration of culture, pride, remembrance and togetherness - one that brought India a little closer to us, even from miles away.



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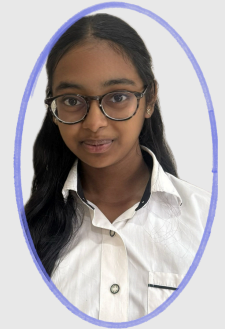


## MathNova 2K26

*Celebrating Mathematics Beyond the Classroom*

From 17th to 21st August 2026, DPS International School came alive with the spirit of MathNova 2K26, a week-long celebration that transformed Mathematics into an exciting journey of discovery, collaboration, and fun.

For students in Grades 9 and 10, Mathematics took on a meaningful real-world dimension through a special worksheet designed around World Humanitarian Day. Throughout the week, students were also challenged by an array of engaging riddles and puzzles that tested their logical reasoning, creativity, and critical-thinking abilities.



**Ashreta Sundhararaj**  
11 ISC

The highlight of the Senior Grades programme was the MathNova Scavenger Hunt. Planned and organized by the students of Grade 11 ISC under the guidance of their teachers, the event saw teams racing across five activity booths, solving mathematical riddles, puzzles, and problem-solving challenges along the way. The hunt showcased not only students' mathematical abilities but also their teamwork, communication, strategic thinking, speed, and accuracy. The excitement was palpable as participants debated solutions, collaborated with teammates, and competed against the clock, making it a truly memorable Math Week experience.

MathNova 2K26 successfully demonstrated that Mathematics is far more than numbers and formulas. It is a subject that fosters curiosity, teamwork, creativity, and resilience. The week left students with memorable experiences and reinforced the message that learning Mathematics can be both intellectually stimulating and immensely enjoyable.



**The team who made it all possible**

# Best Wishes

*for the exams!*