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Leadership meets purpose

A proud moment as our School Chairman and the High Commissioner of India come together to inspire our community towards a greener, more sustainable future.

High Commissioner Leads Green Initiative at DPS International School









DPS International School proudly joined the #SwachhataHiSeva2026 campaign with a special plantation drive on campus. The High Commissioner, his Excellency Dr. Shilpak Ambule planted saplings during the visit, reaffirming a shared commitment to sustainability and environmental awareness.

The initiative reflected the spirit of #EkPedMaaKeNaam, encouraging the community to nurture nature and work together for a cleaner, greener future.

The school's sprawling grounds offered a fitting backdrop for the event. The vibrant carpet of fallen trumpet flowers drew special mention, symbolising the natural beauty of the campus. During the visit, the High Commissioner noted how fortunate DPS students are to have access to such excellent facilities, from the football ground to the cricket pitch.

His words highlighted the importance of a holistic environment that supports both learning and overall development. The school's extensive open spaces and sporting facilities provide students with valuable opportunities to remain active, develop teamwork and pursue their interests beyond the classroom.



The plantation drive was a simple yet powerful reminder that small actions can lead to lasting change. The saplings planted will grow as enduring symbols of care, sustainability and collective responsibility, reinforcing the school's commitment to nurturing environmentally conscious and well-rounded young citizens.


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CELEBRATE • PLAY • CONNECT • HAVE FUN!

FROM CLASSROOMS TO CARNIVAL!

DPS Family Fiesta draws a huge turnout of happy faces

What happens when a huge crowd from the DPS community comes together for a day of pure fun? You get a Family Fiesta to remember!

The DPS Family Fiesta was buzzing with excitement from the moment families arrived. The campus came alive with laughter, music, games, delicious food and plenty of cheerful faces as parents, children and families enjoyed a day away from the usual school routine.

With 20+ carnival games, two bouncy castles, sports activities, arts and crafts, shopping and food stalls, there was never a dull moment. Children moved from one activity to another, collecting stamps and enjoying every challenge, while parents joined in the fun with Table Tennis, Pickleball and family activities.



















The stage added even more energy to the celebration with student performances, a quiz, a lucky draw and a lively Garba session that brought families together. Whether it was cheering from the sidelines, trying a new game, dancing or simply sharing a meal, there was something for everyone.

Behind the scenes, the DPS staff and volunteers worked together to keep the celebrations running smoothly, helping turn the campus into a vibrant space for the entire community.



More than an event, the Fiesta was a reminder that the best school memories are often the ones we make together.



GRADES 9-12

SENIOR SPELLERS RISE TO THE CHALLENGE!

The senior rounds of the DPS International School Spelling Bee 2026 saw students from Grades 9-12 demonstrate impressive vocabulary, concentration and confidence. Beginning with a written round open to all students, the competition became progressively more demanding as the top 10 in each grade advanced to Round 2.



The top five then entered the Championship Round, where phonics and a 60-second individual oral round ultimately determined the winners. The competition celebrated not only spelling ability, but also quick thinking, perseverance and the courage to perform under pressure.







Grade 9

1st - Adrin, 9IGB
2nd - David Jim, 9IGA
3rd - Adharsh, 9IGB

Grade 10 ICSE

1st - Nainika Mohapatra
2nd - Nureen Kaur Mann
3rd - Anaya Chourasia

Grade 11 ISC

1st - Aditi P
2nd - Swastika Trivedi
3rd - Jyotsna

Grade 12

1st - Inaya Tokre
2nd - Bharat Sunil Raj
3rd - Mathangi Gowrisankar





Heartiest congratulations to all our winners and participants for their enthusiasm, determination and excellent performance in the Spelling Bee 2026!

Conquering the Inner Ravana: A Thought-Provoking Grade 9 Assembly

Grade 9 students presented an engaging and meaningful assembly titled "Conquering the Inner Ravana," using humour, drama and dance to explore the everyday challenges students face, such as procrastination, distraction, fear, self-doubt and academic pressure.

At the heart of the presentation was the story of Dev, a student struggling to overcome poor habits and constant distractions. Through the character of his "Inner Ravana," the assembly cleverly showed how excuses and procrastination can gradually take control of our choices. The turning point came when Dev realised that change begins with small, manageable actions rather than waiting for the perfect moment.

A lively dance sequence added energy to the message, transforming negative traits such as procrastination, excuses, distraction and fear into action, responsibility, focus and courage.









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SOLVING GLOBAL PROBLEMS TOGETHER

Grade 9 IGCSE B Marks United Nations Day









Grade 9 IGCSE B presented a thoughtful and engaging assembly to commemorate United Nations Day, celebrating the values of peace, cooperation and shared responsibility. The programme opened with a reflection on global unity, followed by local, international and sports news before moving into the thematic presentation.

The highlight was a dramatic skit that transported the audience back to the Cuban Missile Crisis of 1962, showing how mistrust brought the world dangerously close to nuclear conflict and how diplomacy, restraint and communication helped avert disaster.

The performance connected this historical lesson to present-day challenges such as climate change, poverty, conflict, food security, health and education. Students ended with a powerful message: no nation can solve global problems alone, and a more peaceful and sustainable future depends on cooperation, thoughtful choices and collective action.



A Special Assembly on Awareness and Mindful Living

DPS International School hosted a meaningful special assembly centred on awareness, calmness and mindful living, keeping the focus on values relevant to every student.

Addressing the students, the speaker, Namadeo ji Maharaj, emphasised the importance of awareness—being aware of one's own conduct, own thoughts and own surroundings. Students were encouraged to pause, observe themselves and understand how greater awareness can lead to calmer choices, better focus and more balanced responses to everyday situations. The session also reinforced the idea that education is not only about knowledge, but also about learning to remain calm, thoughtful and empathetic.

The session became especially memorable when students actively participated in moments of quiet reflection and focused breathing. Gentle music was used as a means of concentration, creating an atmosphere of remarkable stillness. For a few moments, the school surroundings seemed transformed into a sanctuary—the soft music, birdsong, rustling leaves and a gentle breeze together created a peaceful setting that encouraged students to slow down and simply be present.

The speaker also highlighted the value of a well-informed and disciplined mind, explaining that awareness can help students develop clarity, emotional balance and a deeper understanding of themselves.

The assembly left students with a quiet but powerful message: in a world full of noise and distraction, awareness can help us pause, focus and respond with greater thoughtfulness.



Together, We Made a Difference



A heartfelt thank you to our parents, students and teachers for the wonderful support extended to the DPS International School Food Drive, organised in collaboration with Care Connect.

Your generous contributions of non-perishable food items helped turn this initiative into a meaningful expression of kindness, compassion and community spirit. Every donation, big or small, reflected a shared commitment to supporting families in need.

We are especially grateful to our students for participating so enthusiastically, to our parents for encouraging and contributing so generously, and to our teachers for guiding and supporting the initiative throughout.

The Food Drive reminded us that positive change often begins with simple acts of giving. When a school community comes together with empathy and purpose, even a small contribution can create a lasting impact.

Thank you for helping us give back together and for making kindness a part of our school community.



Losing the Match, Winning the Spirit





Dhruv Chakraborty
11AS

Football found me when I was in kindergarten, and it never let go. I've chased it across grounds with different clubs and tournaments, through leagues where the stakes felt enormous and the scorelines mattered more than they probably should have. Somewhere along the way, I picked up a belief I still hold onto; a win built on deceit isn't really a win at all.

I remember one tournament vividly. We were up against opponents who were older, stronger, and simply more experienced than us, the kind of team you brace yourself against before kick-off. We fought hard, gave everything we had, and still didn't walk away with the title. For a while, that stung.

But then came the moment that changed how I saw the whole day: we were handed a special Fair Play Award. Not for the goals we scored, but for how we played - with respect, discipline, and honesty, even when it would've been easier to cut corners. That recognition meant more to me than a trophy ever could have.

The award also made me reflect on what it truly means to succeed. In football, resilience is not simply about continuing to play even after conceding a goal; it's about maintaining composure, it is about trusting your teammates and it is about believing your efforts will pay off regardless of outcome. Over time this principal carried onto my studies. There are many moments where hours of preparation had not translated into the grades I had hoped for, and it's tempting to view the result as a reflection of my limitations. However, football has taught me that one disappointing performance cannot erase the work that came before it or determine what comes next.

Instead of allowing setbacks to define me, I try to treat them as opportunities to identify where I can improve. A difficult examination, much like a challenging opponent, demands patience, preparation, and the willingness to try again. Grades matter, but they are not the ultimate measure of a person's potential. The discipline to persevere, the humility to learn from mistakes, and the courage to keep moving forward are qualities that extend far beyond any mark on a report card.

It taught me that character shows up most clearly in the moments we lose. So I carry this with me now, on and off the field: a foul way is no way. Real victory starts with how you play.

Mind Matters: Breaking the Silence Around Mental Health



Jyotsna Prassana
11 ISC

Growing up in a world where social media often fuels constant comparison can place increasing pressure on young people. These pressures can affect emotional well-being and quality of life. Many adolescents experience mental health challenges, yet some still struggle in silence because of one of the biggest barriers to seeking support: social stigma.

Societal judgement can turn genuine health concerns into sources of shame. Anxiety and depression, for example, are sometimes misunderstood as weaknesses rather than recognised as conditions that deserve care and support. A lack of understanding may cause young people to isolate themselves or feel that they are not good enough. When mental health is dismissed simply because it cannot always be seen, open conversations become more difficult and people may suppress their feelings instead of asking for help.

No one should have to face overwhelming thoughts alone. Reaching out for support can be an important first step towards feeling safer and finding a way forward. Professional guidance can help, and the support of family and trusted adults is equally valuable. A caring household can become an anchor during difficult times. When families choose to listen with patience rather than judgement, they create a safe space in which a person can speak openly and feel understood.

Every person's experiences are different. Whether you are a student facing academic pressure or an adult managing the demands of everyday life, your feelings matter. If you are struggling, speak to someone you trust - a family member, friend, teacher or counsellor. Asking for help is a sign of strength, not weakness. Open conversations, empathy and understanding can help ensure that no one feels they have to struggle alone.

Bringing Physics to Life in the Class Room

Grade 12 ISC students brought classroom concepts to life through an engaging showcase of Physics Internal Assessment projects. Through working models, experiments and presentations, students explored touch-sensitive circuits, semiconductors and logic gates, as well as total internal reflection through light guiding in water. Their projects demonstrated how scientific principles can be applied beyond textbooks and understood through hands-on investigation.

The presentations reflected strong scientific inquiry, creativity, problem-solving and confidence as students explained their ideas, tested concepts and connected theory with real-world applications.

The showcase was a vibrant celebration of experiential learning, with our young physicists transforming complex ideas into meaningful and exciting practical experiences.



Semiconductors and logic gates



Touch-sensitive circuit model

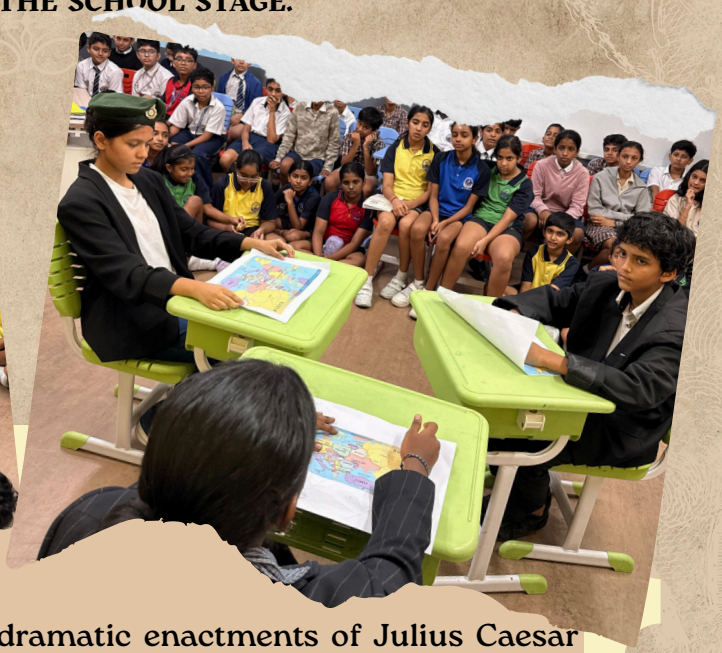


Light guiding through water

HISTORY IN ACTION!

FROM THE POLITICAL INTRIGUE OF ANCIENT ROME TO THE DEFINING EVENTS OF WORLD WAR II, SOCIAL STUDIES WEEK 2026 BROUGHT POWERFUL STORIES FROM THE PAST ONTO THE SCHOOL STAGE.





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The presentations also opened a window onto geography: how strategic locations, territorial ambitions and shifting borders influence the course of events and relationships between nations.

By bringing historical narratives and geographical perspectives together, the activities encouraged students to look beyond dates and battles and consider the people and places behind world events. The week celebrated student creativity, teamwork and thoughtful inquiry, reminding audiences that understanding the past can deepen our understanding of today's interconnected world.

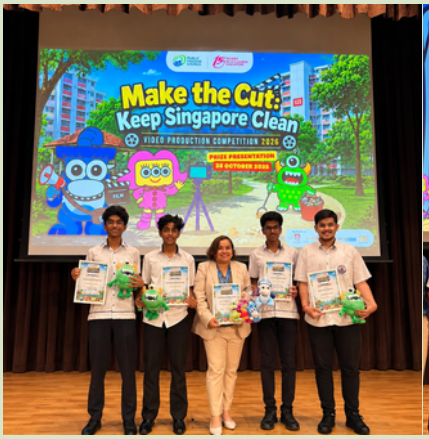






DPSIS Students Shine in “Make the Cut: Keep Singapore Clean” Competition







It is a proud moment for DPS International School as our talented students secured Second and Third Prizes in the “Make the Cut: Keep Singapore Clean” Video Production Competition 2026, organised by the National Environment Agency (NEA) and the Public Hygiene Council (PHC).

Second Prize was awarded to Karthik Charan Ganapathy, Adhavan Duraimurugan and Sai Shravan Madhan Prakash of Grade 10 IC.
Third Prize was won by Advay Kapil Sharma of Grade 11 ISC.

Through creativity, innovative storytelling and a strong commitment to environmental awareness, our students used the power of video to promote the importance of keeping Singapore clean and green.

Their achievement reflects confidence, teamwork and social responsibility, while showing how young people can inspire meaningful change through thoughtful communication.

Heartiest congratulations to our winners for bringing pride and recognition to Team DPSIS!

DPSIS Wins National Recognition in NEA Video Challenge

DPS International School proudly secured Second Prize among approximately 187 submissions in NEA’s “Can You Return It? Container Return Video Challenge”.

Under the guidance of Ms Anandita, students Akshaya Siri Tanguturi, Geeta Pavuluri, Ashreta Sundhararaj and Agrima Singh impressed with their creativity and strong environmental message.

The award was presented at the NEA Award Ceremony, followed by a Sustainability Networking Session for Educators, offering fresh ideas to strengthen the school’s sustainability initiatives in line with Singapore’s Green Plan 2030.

Heartiest congratulations to Ms Anandita and the team for this outstanding national-level achievement and for inspiring positive action towards a greener future!







An Evening of Stories, Songs and Timeless Cinema











The RELC Auditorium came alive with nostalgia and melody as Swaraanubhuti presented Chhoti Si Baat, a celebration of India's much-loved "Middle-of-the-Road" cinema. The evening revisited the gentle humour, everyday romance and timeless music associated with filmmakers such as Hrishikesh Mukherjee and Basu Chatterjee.

Adding depth to the programme were National Award-winning film historians and authors Anirudha Bhattacharjee and Balaji Vittal, who shared engaging behind-the-scenes stories, trivia and insights from this memorable era of Indian cinema. A special highlight was the launch of Matinee Magic, released on stage by Guest of Honour Mr C. P. Kabra and Mrs Jyoti Kabra.

The DPS International School choir, dressed elegantly in black and gold, added youthful energy with heartfelt renditions accompanied by live guitars and drums. Nand Anand Dhamelia's expressive solo, supported by harmonium, tabla and keyboard, drew warm applause.

It was a joyful celebration of cinema, literature, music and memories across generations.

As we bring this edition to a close, we celebrate a month filled with meaningful initiatives, joyful celebrations, creative expression and remarkable achievements. From nurturing a greener environment and strengthening community bonds to showcasing talent, embracing values and recognising student excellence, each moment reflects the vibrant spirit of the DPS family. Thank you to our students, parents and teachers for making every experience memorable. Together, we continue to learn, grow and create moments that inspire. Here's to many more milestones and wonderful memories ahead!