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Mr. Reji Skaria
Chairman

Message from the Chairman

It's a matter of pride and immense pleasure to pen down the message for this edition of Campus Page. Having completed 30 years of service to the expatriate community, we feel contented and confident thanks to the great support and co-operation from our dear parents. We together share the responsibility to make IPHS the most prestigious school in the region.

The entire IPHS team is committed to mould a highly efficient and proactive generation capable of meeting the challenges of a rapidly changing world.

I wish, may God bless us in all our creative endeavours to achieve academic excellence.



Anubha Nijhawan
Principal

Message from the Principal

We are very proud of what the school has achieved in the past 30 years and what it continues to achieve on daily basis. I hope that this campus page will give you a flavour of those achievements.

In my message to all of you, I wish to stress on the importance of character building in early stages of your school life. The people of fine character live by their values. They are honest and are committed to truthfulness in thought, word and deed. True character thus encompasses the capacity for self-discipline.

Character creates self-respect, which in turn leads to high self-esteem. Maturity is reflected in all aspects of character in the decisions we make, the friends we choose and the responsibilities we accept. Always remember to uphold the dignity of people.



See that what you give to the school is worth giving. Work hard, play well and give your best at all times. Do nothing which will harm your school's good name. Establish your school in your hearts and in your minds as something of which you can be really proud.

What you are is God's gift to you. What you become is your gift to God. Have something to live for. Bring out the best in you.

I wish you all success and a great future ahead.



Dr. Annamma Mathew
Vice Principal

From The Desk of the Vice Principal

I feel honoured to be a part of the IPHS family and serve in my new role as Vice Principal. I am here to support the students, teachers and the school community.

There is nothing that compares to a new fresh start! Anticipation, excitement, anxiety, and relief are a few of the emotions that we all experience during the beginning of a brand new academic school year. The realities of schools today are unique and challenging. We at IPHS stand strong towards building a strong sense of community, inspiring teachers and a commitment to character. We would prepare our students to become strong participants and leaders in the world community.

ORIENTATION DAY



School Reopening Day - New Academic Year 2016-2017

Ahead of the school reopening, the campus had been cleaned up with a facelift to the buildings ,decorations at the gates and on the display boards. Children returned to the school on 3rd April 2016 to begin another academic year. The reopening was celebrated at the school with a warm welcome. Many of them were seen exchanging pleasantries with classmates on seeing each after vacation. The school accorded a rousing reception to the newcomers.

With anxiety writ large on their faces, many tiny tots (Kindergarten) entered the schooling phase of their lives on 6th April 2016.



The Orientation Day is an initiation programme held every year at the beginning of the new academic session for all classes to familiarize the students as well as the parents with the intricacies of the curriculum, assessment pattern in school and expectations from the students .The Principal & Vice Principal presided over the same. School Policies , Rules & regulations were briefed to the parents. Section supervisor advised the students on how to effectively handle stress, make optimum use of their potential and time, to come with flying colors at the end of the academic year. Parents thereafter could interact with the teachers and clarify their doubts if any, with regard to how they could provide the best possible support to their wards, in the crucial years of their study lives.

Founders Day / IPHS 30th Anniversary



IPHS remains rooted to its foundation and acknowledges the great work done by its founder in the form of establishing a temple of knowledge with its gates open to students. The Founder's Day was celebrated on the 9th May 2016 in the presence of eminent members.

On the completion of 30 successful years the school celebrated this day with special events. Students from



class I to standard XII gathered in the ground to put up a series of enthusiastic performances while Alumni, proud parents and teachers looked on from their seats.

The celebrations concluded by cutting of the cake jointly by Alumni, Teachers and Management.

INVESTITURE CEREMONY

Investiture Ceremony is one of the most important events of the School. The school encourages leadership qualities, self-reliance, mutual respect, cooperation and dedication in students. Investiture Ceremony of the Student Council for the academic session 2016-17 on 21st April 2016 was in order to inculcate leadership qualities amongst its students for the smooth conduct of activities, to espouse confidence and a sense of responsibility among them. The program started with a prayer song. Principal bestowed the badges on the

newly elected council members. In her speech she congratulated the newly appointed office bearers and reminded them to diligently shoulder responsibilities that lay ahead with dedication and devotion. The newly elected members took the oath solemnly and they pledged to discharge their duties honestly, sincerely and to the best of their ability. Programme concluded with Vote of thanks by Head Girl followed by National Anthem.



On the directives of the President His Highness Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan, the UAE Cabinet has approved the declaration of 2016 as the UAE Reading Year. Towards this directive, IPHS has a year-long school wide reading initiative program called "**READER OF THE MONTH**" in which students are awarded with Best Reader Badge.



Books are a mirror of one's soul, which enrich the mind and soothe the heart. IPHS organized a One Day 'BOOK FAIR' on 15th May 2016. The signal went loud and clear that IPHS believes in providing its students with holistic and informative literature to enrich their vocabulary and diction. The fair was inaugurated by the school Principal who advised the students to cultivate reading habits. The children enjoyed the fair and picked books varying from science to spooky stories; from puzzles to poems; and from fiction to facts. The teachers equally helped the children in selecting the books. The children wished the fair to last for a longer time as it would give them an opportunity to read and access more informative literature besides their efficiently loaded school library.



WORLD BOOK DAY was celebrated with enthusiasm in the primary Section. Students of class I & II enjoyed the puppet story time with their teachers. Class IV students donated their used books to school which were put on sale at a nominal price of AED 1/- per book for class III students.



The Prime Step Towards Effective Leadership - STUDENT COUNCIL

Class Prefects for the year 2016 -17 were selected and the formation of the student council members was carried out in a smooth manner. Master. Naser of class XII A and Miss. Chaitanya of class XII A were elected as the Head Boy and Head Girl respectively.

Student council kick started its activities by organising FOOD FEST at IPHS campus on the 4th of May 2016. It was an occasion to rejoice with the variety of tastes. The participation of the students together with the wholehearted support of the Mothers was the key to success. The event was successful with the support from sponsors too. The fest was an occasion to prove the unity of various cultures and its cuisines.



COMPETITION TIME

Since Calligraphy means 'writing beautifully', it is an art that can be done by anyone. **CALLIGRAPHY COMPETITION** was organized aiming at encouraging children to write neatly and present the content in proper manner. Students were encouraged to write a couple of sentences to showcase their writing skills. The main objectives of this activity were to motivate children to write neatly making them aware of correct formation of letter with curves and use punctuations including full stop, commas, and capital letters at proper place.

IPHS looks toward integrating academic excellence and Quranic knowledge in the best possible manner in order to raise responsible practicing Muslims. IPHS organized Annual **QIRA'AT COMPETITION**, in order to



enhance the love of Almighty Allah and Holy Quran in children and to implant in them a desire and habit to read Holy Quran in the manner taught by the Prophet (PBUH). Prior to the Grand Finale, different rounds of Qira'at competitions were conducted among the students of all classes. Students had been trained by their teachers at school and reinforced by parents at home for improving their Qira'at skills of the selected Surahs. Special emphasis is on reciting with the correct Makharij, adhering to the rules of Tajweed, avoiding mistakes in recitation and reciting with confidence. Qira'at Recitation Competition was successfully completed as students recited the Suras from the Holy Quran which in turn generated pious thoughts and deeds.



Story Writing, Elocution, Extempore, Coloring & Collage competitions were some of the other activities in which children took part with enthusiasm. Winners were announced and awarded with certificates.

CO CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES are the true and practical experiences received by students. To a greater extent, the theoretical knowledge gets strengthened when a relevant co-curricular activity is organized related to the content taught in the classroom. Students are identified and encouraged to participate in external competitions. Teens India UAE organized Suaal Ramadan Quiz. Students were well prepared on the topic - The life of Prophet Muhammad (PBUH).



Students participated in Valappottukal Malayalam poem recitation organized at Scholars Indian School. Our students bagged prizes in all categories.

WORLD HERITAGE DAY

A Heritage campaign was organized at our School with a plethora of educational and entertainment-based activities to mark Heritage Day. The campaign began with a special assembly where students were told about the varied facets of heritage which include an endless list. The assembly also highlighted that heritage is a treasure trove of the past and it is the responsibility of the present generation to protect, preserve and promote its continuity for the future generation. The different levels of School participated distinctively. The Primary section & Middle level classes crafted display boards with colorful charts under the guidance of their teachers.



WORLD EARTH DAY



As we enter the 46th year of the EARTH DAY movement, we all individuals continue to inspire, challenge ideas, ignite passion, and motivate people to action. Rally in the school ground by Primary students gave voice to an emerging consciousness, channeling human energy toward environmental issues.

'World No Tobacco Day'

IPHS observed 'World No Tobacco Day' with much enthusiasm and fervor on 31st May 2016. Science club conducted and organized various activities & competitions. Special assembly was conducted by the students of class IX to XII wherein the students presented various activities. Master. Saatvik Ayapilla of class IX B delivered a speech on World No Tobacco Day, stressing on the need for Tobacco and smoke free world.

On the occasion, the school also organized 'Poster Making' competition wherein the students prepared posters and displayed them around with messages on the negative effects of the use of tobacco. Senior students put their views on this day by taking part in Essay writing completion.



WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY

On 5th June, our school celebrated the Environment day. It was an opportunity to sensitize students about issues affecting the environment. Eco Club initiated activities to celebrate the day in a fruitful manner. A special assembly related to environment was conducted. The Students of class XII delivered speeches on the importance of Environment. Students took the pledge to protect the environment, conservation practices and use of new eco-friendly technologies to utilize natural resources in a sustainable manner. Students have been asked to take a pledge to protect the environment and participate in initiatives to save the earth. Badges were distributed to the students and the members of staff to spread the message on WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY. The students and staff enjoyed being part of the celebration for a noble cause.



Radio is about speaking and listening. Campus radio (also known as IPHS 10.57 AM) is run exclusively by students. 10.57 IPHS campus radio plays as a platform for the students to showcase their Jockeying skills. Students are taking turns to read out the daily news and address the listeners on various current issues of UAE and India in Arabic and English. School Head Boy and Head girl were interviewed. In the interview aired both the school leaders shared their ideas of what

they would do towards making the school a merrier and more improved place.

Campus Radio was used as a platform to Interview our beloved Principal on MOTHER'S DAY. An exclusive interview was aired with Mrs Anubha Nijhawan – A Dynamic Lady and a Stupendous Mother. She shared her experiences on being a working mother.



At IPHS parental involvement is welcomed and recognized as being essential in developing a strong partnership between parents and the school. The first Parent Council meeting of the current academic year was held on 14th May 2016. Mrs. Veena Santhosh was nominated for the post of honorary Chair Person and Mrs Anandita Das as Secretary.

Through close collaboration with the school's administration, the teachers and the school's board, the parents' council actively participates in the organization of the school life and contributes to a good school climate through a positive, trustworthy handling.

2016 parent council kick started by initiating Salad Competition - Healthy Salad Making Competition. which was open to all moms who actively participated in it and came up with good nutritional salads. Cleanliness, taste and presentation were the basic criteria for judgment. The participants' creativity was revealed through the beautiful designs and patterns formed with different mouthwatering salads.



Mrs. Ayesha Hussain, a Parent Council Member took the initiative in creating awareness among primary section students on the Importance of drinking water

Health and Safety

Good health is not only important to a child's general well-being but essential for the academic success. IPHS SCHOOL CLINIC has been promoted and the facility is being regularly upgraded leading towards providing adolescent health care. School's primary role is to support student learning. We accomplish this by implementing strategies that promote student and staff health and safety.

Health Services – provides nursing care

Health Education -- provides health education to students, staff and parents

Healthy Environment -- identifies health and safety concerns in the school environment.

Staff Wellness -- provides health education and counseling,

Immunization- administering Vaccination according to UAE Schedule.



In continuation with the exercise to create awareness among the students about Disaster Management, a **FIRE EVACUATION MOCK DRILL** was conducted on 3rd May 2016. The students were escorted by their teachers to an assembly area at the sound of the hooter or siren. The entire exercise took barely 3 minutes to assemble in

for a healthy body. Awareness was apt for the occasion as it was the onset of summer.

As part of Health Awareness campaign RAK MHSU conducted basic checkup for the students of class XII. Presentation on healthy diet and good lifestyle was done followed by basic hand washing techniques.

Dr. Gulam Saidunnisa Begum, Professor and Chairperson, Biochemistry RAKMHSU with the faculty and medical students of RAK COLLEGE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES conducted an awareness and educational programme on 'Breast Self-Examination'.



the open area due to the alertness and orderly action of the teachers. The entire school is well aware and trained on how to respond and behave in an emergency.



TRAFFIC SIGNAL & SAFETY

A group activity for middle section students based on traffic signal was conducted. It was an effort to bring more attention towards the importance of Road Safety.



Students were taught traffic rules and road safety in Arabic. As a result, they were able to understand and recognize the sign boards they usually see on the roads of UAE.



College career guidance

Career guidance often involves assisting students who are trying to choose a career. The crux of career counseling is to provide the necessary guidance that would help the student in making the right choice regarding their career. In this scenario, IPHS seeks the help of an experienced and qualified career counselor, who assists in discovering the potential and aptitude and accordingly suggest the right course to our students. External agencies conduct sessions in making students aware of foreign university requirements and structure. Our in-house Career counselor usually employ counseling and guidance through testing of three factors viz aptitude, interest and personality. In this term Gyanberry Education & Training Centre Dubai,

Premier Genie an Education Service provider helped preparing students in advanced math, international tests such as SCAT (School and College Admission Test) and SAT (Stanford Achievement Test).

IPHS BROUGHT LAURELS AGAIN.

23rd Batch of Class X students passed with flying colors. 17 students secured CGPA 10 and 30 students secured CGPA 9 to 9.8

IPHS secured 100% success again in AISSCE class XII result. In Science Stream, out of 28 students 16 secured Distinction and 10 got First Class. Miss. Gayathri Rajesh is the topper in the list with 90.6 %. In Commerce Stream, out of 26 students, 19 secured Distinction and 6 secured First class. Miss. Jyoti Manoj Kumar topped the list with 95 %.

The school toppers for the session 2015-2016 were applauded for their wonderful performance and the individual subject based performance across all streams was read out in the assembly, which served as a motivation as well as inspiration for the young minds.

Students did well in the exams, which proves that they have the ability and talent to become who they want to be. Wishing them all the best!



CELEBRATING OUR PROUD MOMENTS

Proudest moment on the occasion of 30th year celebrations was when Mrs Aziza – School Secretary was felicitated for her dedicated work since the inception of the school.

At the outset of 2016 as “Year of Reading, Kerala Sahitya Academy conducted a workshop to promote Malayalam language and literature. As a part this workshop “Aksharakootam Sahitya Silpasaala”, Mr. Reghunandan HOD Malayalam Dept. won the First Prize in ‘Poem Writing’ Competition and Miss. Anamika Sajith of class X won 2nd prize in ‘Essay Writing’.



SPOKEN SANSKRIT COURSE

Literature department of IPHS, RAK in association with Samskrita Bharati organized a 10 days Sanskrit Spoken Class from 26-05-2016 to 04-06-2016. The School Principal, Mrs. Anubha Nijhawan inaugurated the programme, 35 persons, including teachers attended the class. Mr. Balasubramayam was the trainer. The participants presented a skit in Sanskrit language on the concluding day of the class, it was a unique opportunity to learn Sanskrit.



AEROBICS & KARATE

Aerobics is one of the physical exercises that combines rhythmic exercise with stretching and strength training routines with the goal of improving all elements of fitness (flexibility, muscular strength, and cardio-vascular fitness). At IPHS a well-balanced aerobics class for set of registered Girl students of class IV -VIII is being conducted. The balanced components: warm-up, cardio vascular conditioning, muscular strength and conditioning, cool-down and stretching and flexibility are part of this sessions .We have 53 registered girls who attend the sessions with enthusiasm.

Karate a self-development art practiced as self-defense or as a combat sport is organized weekly for the registered boys. The training emphasizes the psychological elements incorporated into a proper attitude such as perseverance, fearlessness, virtue, and leadership skills.



KINDERGARTEN

Educational Trip: Visit to Digdaga Dairy Farm

Students of KG II along with class teachers and assistants visited Digdaga Dairy Farm on 19th May 2016. The bus trip to Digdaga which took about 30 minutes from the school was also an exciting experience for the kids. Not caring the hot sun the students walked to sheds where they watched cows and oxen grazing. The teachers explained to them about the processing of milk and other products.



ENVIRONMENT WEEK

KG II students observed Environment Week from 5th June to 9th June with various activities to know about 'Pollution and Factors' affecting environment and in turn, all the living things. As a part of it, the students decorated 'Paper Bags with pictures of Earth and Environmental Messages'. These bags were given to a grocery store to be distributed to customers. Plant saplings were given to students encouraging them to plant trees. Students sowed seeds in small cartons and watered them. They were happy to see them growing. Students colored pictures of a few endangered animals and displayed them on the bulletin board.



MOTHER'S DAY was celebrated on the 2nd Sunday of May. Students of kindergarten created cards using handprints on craft paper and gifted them to their moms. These charming cards are the perfect way to give cheer and affection on Mother's Day. This activity, not only helps students to understand making cards, but also caters to develop fine motor skills.



COLOUR CARNIVAL

Color carnival was planned to develop the chromatic sense of the children. It began on 24th April 2016 lasting 4 weeks, RED, BLUE, YELLOW AND GREEN weeks. On the first day of each week students wore color dress. Each week, students did various activities related to the color of the week like coloring Red Strawberry with ice cream stick, Blue butterfly with finger, Yellow snake with sponge and Collage work of Green

Pear. Color carnival helped students in recognizing of Colors. Other activities like Palm Printing, Collage Work and Bubble Wrap Printing helped them in fine Motor Development.

