



BPS BUZZ

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EDITORIAL

We are excited to present the inaugural issue of the BPS Buzz in its digital avatar. This newsletter will be one of the many digital channels the school uses to keep the BPS fraternity updated with multifarious academic and co-curricular activities undertaken by the school and other important events and achievements of our students.

Diwali, like many other festivals celebrated at the school, has a special significance. Our students have been celebrating cracker-free Diwali at the campus for the last many years and the money thus saved is donated to the child welfare organisations like CRY (Child Rights and You). This speaks volumes of the concern shown by our students for the environment and their drive to help the needy. This Diwali was different! The campus which used to teem with hustle and bustle of our students' activities on Diwali, wore a desolate look because of the school closure due to Covid-19. The adventure field of the school which used to get resplendent at Diwali night with the paper lanterns made by our students must have felt sad this year.

It can be said with a tinge of pride that the school closure due to the pandemic changed the mode of activities for BPS but we turned the challenge into opportunity by remaining as dynamic and innovative as ever. Hosting national level debate competition, virtual celebration of Yoga Day in which schools across the world participated, MUNs and plethora of Round Square activities/competitions ensured that the school continued its duty of providing opportunities to its students for all round development of personality and gear up to face the 21st century challenges.

We are hopeful that the school will reopen soon, and the BPS campus gets abuzz once again with our students' activities. Hope you all say Amen to that!

- J.Singh



"It is a sin of the soul to force young people into opinions but it is culpable neglect not to impel young people into experiences." --Kurt Hahn



BLISS YOGA

BPS organized Bliss-Yoga activity online in collaboration with the member schools of the Round Square. Organising an event promoting Yoga, which is panacea for body mind and soul at a time when the physical, emotional and psychological wellbeing of the people had become vulnerable due to Covid-19 was a commendable effort. It was heartening to see the students from 35 schools across India and abroad harnessing the modern technology to popularise Yoga. This activity is published as a case study on RS website.

THE DOON SCHOOL VISUAL ARTS FESTIVAL

Six students from BPS participated in The Doon School Virtual Arts Festival conducted from 28 to 30 Sep. Presentations by Aryan Saraogi and Kushagra drew accolades in the festival.



CLIMATE ACTION PROJECT

Seventeen students of Grade VII and Grade VIII participated in a six-week long (28 Sep-10 Nov) Climate Action Project sponsored by Dr. Jane Goodall, UN Foundation, the Irish President and the world Leaders in collaboration with WWF and NASA. The project was featured by National Geographic and BBC.



PLATINUM JUBILEE ALL INDIA ENGLISH DEBATE

Birla Public School organised Platinum Jubilee Online All India English Debates from 7 Sep to 11 Sep 2020. Sixteen reputed schools across India participated in this event. The Emerald Heights, Indore debated their way to win the first position while Mody School, Laxmangarh finished runners-up.

PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

Six students of BPS took part in Online Photography Competition hosted by Maria Public School, Assam. Karun Gandhi's entry earned him special mention in the competition.



Karun's Click

SYNERGY 2020

A science web conference titled Synergy 2020 was organized by the Science Department of the Birla Public School on 26 Sep. 46 students from class 7 to 11 gave presentations on topics like Quantum Computing, Black Hole, Sports Medicine, Role of AI and Vayu Jal. Arnav Mehta, B.Parv Shah and Himanshu Malik secured 1st position. Devansh Rai, Dilawar Singh and Tejovash Acharya stood second and Sidharath Sharma, Nischay Singh and Kirtiman secured third position in their respective groups.

"The only time you fail is when you fall down and stay down"

-Stephen Richards

INDIA ARGENTINA HISTORY AND ENERGY PROJECTS

Twelve students of our school participated in a collaborative project with Godspell's College of Argentina on Hitler's biography. Eleven BPS students worked on another six-week collaborative project with the same school on 'Energy'. All the participants found the activity very innovative and informative.

SUSTAINNOVATION

Six students from Birla Public School participated in the Online Young Social Entrepreneurs Conclave titled 'Sustainnnnovation' (27 Sep-27 Sep). Wansh Agarwal of Class XII wrote an article on - 'Better late than Never' - '**Aatm Nirbhar Bharat**'. Nomick Tantia & Ved Singhania of Class XII worked on Social Enterprise Case Study on '**Goonj**', a non-governmental organisation. Wansh Agarwal, Vishal Mehta, Chirag Bansal and Nihal Agarwal of Class XII worked on the 'Entrepreneurship Project' on **Multani Mitti**.

POTPOURRI

- Seven students participated in the virtual RS conference organised by Chittagong Grammar School, Bangladesh and eleven students participated in the International virtual RS Conference organized by Pathways World School, Arawali.
- Fourteen students participated in the techno-cultural event conducted by Seth Anand Ram Japuria School, Kanpur. It was a cluster of 32 events and the students had a great learning experience.
- Eight students of BPS participated in Rajmata Krishna Kumari International Conclave.
- Five students participated in the online International Cultural Fest '**Firgun**' and '**Meraki**' organized by Welham Girls' School Dehradun.
- Ten Students of BPS participated in the Round Square IDEALS Weekly Challenge which included six activities corresponding to the six ideals of the Round Square.

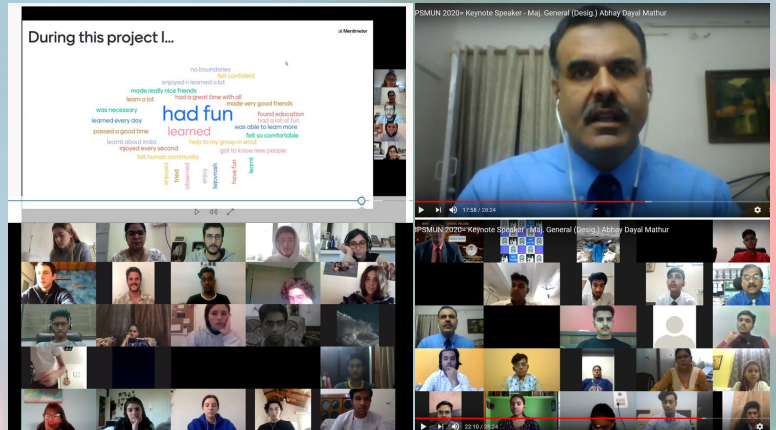


BPS MUN CONFERENCE



2020

BPS MUN Conference 2020 was organized from 18 to 19 Sep 2020. 150 students from 31 schools across the world participated in this grand event. Maj. Gen. Abhay Dayal Mathur and Mr. S.S.Sandhu, alumni of BPS, were the keynote speakers. BPS students also participated in MUNs organised by Indian High School, Dubai, SAI International School, Bhuvneshwar and Indian School Al Ghubra.



INTERNATIONAL DOT DAY

The students of BPS celebrated International Dot Day 2020 in collaboration with the students of Dubai and California (USA) on 21 Sep. Sharing artwork on Padlet on the topic, 'Dot of my Life' and a Virtual Conference Sharing artwork and narratives on the topic 'Dot of my Life' were the highlights of the event. 22 students of from classes V and VI represented BPS in this mega activity.

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