



# Delhi Public School, Sector 45, Gurugram INTACH Annual Report 2019-20

India is blessed with a rich culture and heritage. The richness and variety of Indian culture needs

The pioneering initiative of promotion and preservation of India's cultural heritage has been the prime concern of INTACH (Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage). It is heartening to see the Principal, Ms. Aditi Misra, focusing on the holistic development of pupils, equipping them to survive in a forever changing world. To protect and preserve India's heritage, several activities were conducted during the course of the academic year.

In recognition of our school's efforts in furthering the cause of preserving India's culture and heritage, our school has been awarded First prize for the year 2018-19.

# **APRIL**

#### JUNIOR WING

to be preserved.

"What a country chooses to save is what a country chooses to say about itself".

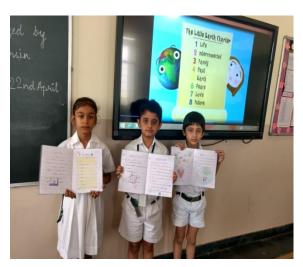
With the quoted belief, the Junior School INTACH Club introduced the students to the aim and purpose of having the INTACH club in our school, they were made familiar with the enriching and fun filled activities planned for this month. Children of class III, IV and V were introduced to INTACH, its mission and prominent work done by the organization.

Class III: Introduction to the INTACH club. They drew the logo and wrote the full form of INTACH club in their activity notebooks.

The theme of **World Health Day "Universal Health Coverage"** and the slogan "Health for All" were explained to the class. Students were made aware about the role of nutritious food in their growth and development. Illustration of Healthy tiffin was drawn by the students to encourage the habit of healthy eating. A brief introduction to the importance of celebrating

**Earth Day** was given to the students by informative videos as well as discussion in the class. Students took active part in sharing their ideas for a clean and green Earth and drew attractive illustrations in their activity notebooks. The meaning as well as importance of the word

'Heritage' was explained to the students. Students were made aware about the need to save our heritage and about the necessary measures that are being taken to protect our heritage. A video clip of the world heritage sites in India was shown to increase their awareness about the Heritage monuments and sites in our country. The students wrote the names of some popular heritage monuments of our country.





Class IV: In 'My Favourite Indian Heritage site' activity, children drew poster on Heritage sites of India. They were shown videos on celebration of World Heritage Day and World Heritage sites in India. They participated in an open talk wherein they expressed their views on different ways of preserving heritage sites.

Earth day song sung by the students followed by their pledge to save mother earth as a part of earth day activities. They designed badges on the theme 'save mother earth'. They pledged to take care of the planet and do their bit for the Earth. To show respect to mother earth, they brought green food and relished it with their friends.





Class V: Students of class V celebrated World Heritage Day and Earth Day by participating in various activities. Quiz on Heritage sites of India saw enthusiastic participation of the students wherein they learnt about the need of preserving heritage sites and were made aware of new facts about the heritage sites in India. ANAGRAM solving activity helped children learn new words related to environmental issues.





Students of Junior school participated in World Heritage Day organized by ITIHAAS, a competition on 3D exhibits from waste material on the theme UNESCO World Heritage sites in India at Purana Qila, New Delhi. They presented their model on Darjeeling Himalayan Railways and made the school proud by securing the second position in Junior School Category.





## EARTH DAY AND BAISAKHI ASSEMBLY

Special assembly on earth day and celebration of Baisakhi marked the culmination of various activities organized throughout the month. Students saw a glimpse of their rich heritage sites and importance of earth day and rural festivals in our lives.







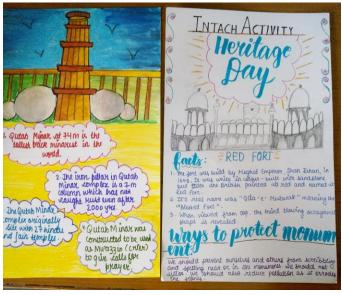


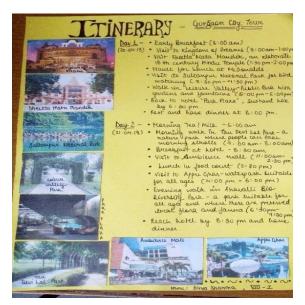
# **MIDDLE WING**

## **HERITAGE DAY**

INTACH school group celebrated 'Heritage Day' on 5<sup>th</sup> April 2019. The students of classes VI and VII wrote interesting and unknown facts about monuments of India. The students

participated enthusiastically and highlighted the measures to preserve the monuments and keep them alive for upcoming generations. Students of class VIII prepared an itinerary of Gurgaon titled- 'Gurgaon City Tour.' These activities helped students gain an insight into the rich cultural heritage of India.









## **SPIC MACAY**

To promote cultural awareness among students, Delhi Public School Gurgaon, under the aegis of SPICMACAY, organized a lecture-cum-demonstration on Thursday, 11th April,2019 in the school auditorium. The renowned Manipuri dancers, Padma Shri, Raj Kumar Singhajit Singh and Ms. CharuSija Mathur performed for the students of classes VI-IX. Students from various other schools of Gurgaon were invited for the same.Ms. Archana Prasad, Head of Spic Macay Gurgaon Chapter, also attended the programme. The show commenced with the traditional

lighting of the lamp by the eminent artists and the Director Principal, Ms. Aditi Misra. The distinguished guest artists were then felicitated with tokens of appreciation. Shri Raj Kumar Singhajit Singh and Ms. CharuSija Mathur, took the students through the journey of understanding the nuances of the Manipuri dance form by giving valuable insights. They spoke about how the language of dance transcends all boundaries. Their performance along with their team of musicians and accompanists comprising of Mr. Jagannath Ghoshal, Mr. Pradeep Singh, Mr. Sarat Singh and Ms. Laxmi Devi left the audience spellbound. The interactive lecture-cumdemonstration with the students made the session not only enjoyable but also informative. It was an unforgettable life experience for the students as they were exposed to the rich cultural heritage of India.



# MAY

# JUNIOR WING

'All for one and one for all, keep biodiversity or our future may fall'

## WORLD BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY DAY

The students of Junior School, INTACH Club celebrated World Migratory Day and World Biological Diversity Day. They were made acquainted with the term 'Biodiversity' and the need for the conservation of migratory birds and their habitats. The students of Classes III, IV and V

learnt through numerous fun filled activities about the importance of both the days celebrated in the month of May.

Class III: Students were introduced to the term 'migration' and enlightened briefly about the importance of migratory birds in our ecosystem. Thereafter, videos were shown to the class about migratory birds and why the birds are migrating and how they travel such long distances. Students wrote the theme: Be the solution to plastic pollution and drew interesting illustrations in the notebook showing the various reasons why the birds migrate.





The students were told about the importance of biodiversity with the help of videos and explanation. They also drew beautiful logo in their notebooks.





Class IV & V: Students of classes IV and V, celebrated World Migratory Bird Day through a very enriching activity wherein they were shown videos on various reasons of migration of birds, afterwards they presented role play visualization themselves as birds portraying their sorrow and joy during the process of migration. This activity gave them the platform to showcase their talent and made them realize the importance of birds and their habitats.





World Biological Diversity Day, celebrated by the students helped them to understand the diverse nature of the world on the basis of colour creed, language but the basic human nature is same and that is the uniting factor of the human kind. They were shown a video -"How to say Hello in different languages" and after that they made Bubble speech to exhibit their ideas.





#### JIM CORBETT TRIP

Delhi Public School, Gurgaon, organized a three day adventurous and enlightening tour to Jim Corbett National Park for the students of classes IV and V from 2nd May'19 to 4th May '19.It was an exciting trip which helped the students to appreciate nature and the need to preserve our forests and animals living therein. This excursion created an everlasting impression on the young minds about the need to safeguard our ecological inheritance.









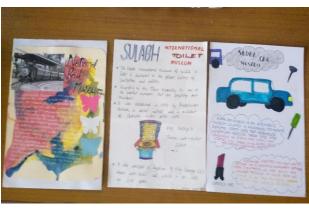
# **MIDDLE WING**

# INTERNATIONAL MUSEUM DAY

INTACH school group celebrated International Museum Day on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2019. The middle school students researched and wrote about the unusual museums with different specializations. The children participated enthusiastically and learnt about fascinating exhibits contained in these out of the ordinary museums.









#### HERITAGE WALK TO GANDHI NATIONAL MUSEUM

DPS Gurgaon organized an educational trip to National Gandhi Museum for students of class 8 in association with ITIHAAS. The students got an opportunity to witness the display of a rich collection of photographs, original relics and letters belonging to the Father of the Nation. Each picture had an interesting tale to narrate. The instructors from Itihaas shared many stories and facts about his life. A charkha session was also organized wherein the students got experience on how to spin a yarn.



# **JULY**

#### **JUNIOR WING**

#### VAN MAHOTSAV

'Trees are the kindest things we grow'. This has been rightly said as the needs of all the living beings are fulfilled by them. But their depleting number has become a serious issue. To make students aware of this issue and taking initiative towards it, the students of Junior School celebrated Van Mahotsava and World Ocean Day with the theme "Together we have the power to Protect the Ocean" in the month of July.

Poster making activity on "Save Trees, Save Future" was conducted in Classes III, IV and V. The discussion was done in class about Van Mahotsava and the remedies to save the environment. The students also did the enactment on 'Chipko Movement'. They were encouraged to preserve trees which play a vital role in maintaining the ecological balance. It is the responsibility of each citizen to not only grow but also taking care and protect them.





#### WORLD OCEAN DAY

World Ocean Day was celebrated by showing the PowerPoint presentation highlighting the importance of Ocean, their significant life supporting roles, and the threats they may face. The students were intrigued to find many roles the ocean play, most importantly the transportation of many things the students use in their classrooms; from school stationery, the uniforms they wear, to even the small buttons on their shirt, which all at one time crossed the ocean, be it raw materials or ready made products. The students made fishes by origami sheets and coloured the background.

The students were encouraged to thrive for positive action for the environment and ocean, and were reminded that no matter how little the action may be, combine that with their schoolmates action, their school positive action and even their families, they will definitely create a wave of change.





#### MIDDLE WING

#### **MUSIC DAY**

The Inter -House Solo Classical music and Folk Dance Competition was held in the school auditorium. The event was a celebration of melody and rhythm that stand testimony to the rich cultural heritage of our country. The function commenced with an enthralling Solo Classical

Music performance. The participants performed with zealous fervor and the audience was left spellbound by the phenomenal performance of the students. The solo classical music competition was judged by Ms. Nandini Nijhawan, Music President 2018-19.

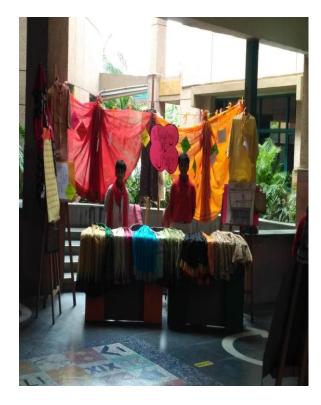




#### DISCOVERY OF INDIA- VEDAS TO VIGYAN

Delhi Public School, Gurgaon, organised a cultural programme, 'Discovery of India - Vedas to Vigyan', on Friday, 17th May 2019. The seven tableaus depicting the ancient civilizations, handlooms, Vedic math, science, food, art, commerce, life and culture of India were beautifully presented.





#### INTERNATIONAL YOGA DAY





DPS Gurgaon celebrated International Yoga day after the summer break with a refreshing yoga session. The students performed various warm-up, yogic exercises after which they felt rejuvenated and energetic. The significance of yoga was also discussed with the students.

## TRIP TO RANTHAMBORE

Delhi Public School, Gurgaon had organized an educational tour to the Ranthambore National Park for the students of middle school. The visit commenced with an enticing talk by a naturalist on Ranthambore forest and its wildlife. The safari to the Tiger Reserve was a thrilling experience. The children saw leopards, spotted dear, wild boars, sambars and rare species of birds in their natural habitat. The spectacular view of tigers and tigress in the wilderness further augmented their excitement.



# **AUGUST**

#### **JUNIOR WING**

The main objective of the INTACH club in the school is to create awareness about our culture and heritage among our students. For the same, activities conducted in the month are based on the important day, festivals and events celebrated worldwide in a particular month.

Class 3: The month of August resonates with the spirit of Independence. With patriotism running high, the students of class 3 drew 'Tiranga' our national flag in their notebooks. Videos were shown to them about the National Flag, its features and importance. A quiz on "India's struggle for Independence" was conducted in class 4. A poster on National Symbols was also drawn by them. The class 5 students performed a role play on national heroes. The students were grouped and each group chose a national hero for their group. They then put a presentation on the same.





Class 4 & 5: The International Day of World's Indigenous People is celebrated on August 9 worldwide. Through the INATCH club, children were introduced to indigenous people. A PPT for the same was shown to all classes and discussions were held. In class 3, the students wrote the names of the Indigenous tribes of India in their notebooks. A poster making activity on "Indigenous People" was conducted in both classes 4 and 5.





## INDEPENDENCE DAY

**Saga of Independence, An Annual Talent** show was presented by the students of class 4 on August 13, 2019. The show was splendid as the little performers metamorphosed into valiant freedom fighters and portrayed the history of the struggle for independence from the onset of the first struggle in 1857 to its attainment in 1947.





**Independence Day Celebration:** The 73<sup>rd</sup> Independence Day was celebrated with zeal on 15th August 2019, in the school ground. The national flag was unfurled by Ms. Aditi Misra, Director Principal, followed by the National Anthem. In her address to the teachers, students and parents, she emphasized that we need to preserve the hard earned freedom by promoting peace, harmony and brotherhood. The celebration culminated with a medley of mellifluous patriotic songs performed by the junior and senior school choir to pay tribute to the motherland.





#### RAKSHABANDHAN ASSEMBLY

A special assembly on 'RakshaBandhan' was presented by the students of the Junior Wing on 6th August, 2019. The students presented an evocative skit on the importance of this pious festival which reinforces values like sharing, love and respect, especially for the soldiers guarding our borders. The essence of RakshaBandhan was further conveyed by a beautiful poem. The assembly drew to a close with a traditional dance presented with full zeal and enthusiasm by the students.





#### **EID ASSEMBLY**

A special assembly was presented by the students of Jhelum House of the Junior Wing on 31st July, 2019 to signify the importance of Eid. **Eid** is a sacred celebration with promises of charity, kindness, harmony and brotherhood. This festival is not about being happy but to make others happy and nurture their desires. A special assembly was presented by the students of Junior School. The

value of Eidi was conveyed by the students through a skit. A soulful qawwali, thanking God for his endless blessings was sung by the students' choir.





# JANMASHTAMI ASSEMBLY

The festival of Janmashtami, which marks the birth of Lord Krishna was commemorated at a special assembly presented by the students on 21st August 2019. The festival of 'Janmashtami', the birthday of Lord Krishna is celebrated with great devotion and gaiety all over the world now. Sri Krishna's birth and his adventures in early years were well presented through a skit in a special assembly by the students of class 4 and 5. The choir sang a melodious bhajan "Aayi Janamashtami"





#### **MIDDLE WING:**

#### **COASTER MAKING ACTIVITY**

INTACH school group organized a coaster making activity for the students of middle school on 14<sup>th</sup> August 2019. Children made beautiful coasters using Indian folk and tribal art forms such as Madhubani, Warli, Gond, Kalamkari etc. The students used rich colours, attractive motifs and design to depict various art forms. Children enjoyed the activity as it gave them the opportunity to display their creativity and know about the folk art.





# **QUIZ ON INCREDIBLE INDIA**

Children of class VIII participated in an Inter House Quiz Competition. The topic for the quiz was 'Incredible India'. It was a very informative and enriching competition for the participants. All the teams participated actively.





## **RAKHI MAKING ACTIVITY**

Rakshabandhan is a festival which celebrates love between brothers and sisters. A rakhi making activity was organized for the students of classes VI, VII and VIII on 17th July, 2019. Students enthusiastically made colourful rakhis using bio degradable materials. The rakhis along with affectionate and heartfelt messages will be sent to the soldiers posted at the border.





# **SEPTEMBER**

#### JUNIOR SCHOOL

The aim of INTACH club is to instill a sense of social responsibility towards preserving India's heritage. Different activities were conducted across the month to make students aware about the impact of human activities on the ozone layer and how tourism is becoming an important industry.

#### WORLD OZONE DAY

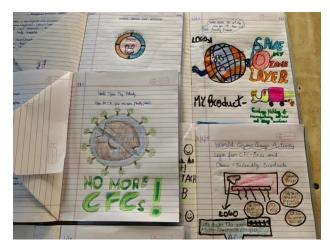
**Class III**: Students were introduced to the term ozone layer and its importance in our atmosphere through interesting videos and explanations by the teachers. They learnt about various ways to protect the ozone layer and drew the various substances that are causing the depletion of ozone layer in their notebooks.





**Classes IV and V**: World Ozone Day was celebrated by showing a video highlighting the importance of Ozone for Earth, how it protects Earth from the harmful rays of the Sun. The main aim of this day is to make students aware about the alarming rate at which holes are made in this layer. All this is because of the harmful CFCs and greenhouse gases that we are using in our day to day life. Students made logos of products which are Ozone friendly and CFC free.

Students were sensitized that by doing their little bit, they can bring huge change in the surroundings. Simple things like buying local goods, not using chemicals to clean things, minimizing the usage of cars, etc. can in turn help save the environment in long run.





#### WORLD TOURISM DAY

#### Classes IV and V

Tourism has grown into a fully-fledged industry and is a major source of income. The INTACH Group celebrated World Tourism Day in the form of various activities to make the children aware about various tourist attractions of our world and different service industries involved in tourism.

Students made a poster depicting what is their idea of tourism, how they perceive it and want to promote it. It gave them an insight into this interesting and colourful industry and brought them closer to their heritage.

#### **HINDI DIWAS** –

Taking pride in our Hindi language and to spread its message, Hindi Diwas was celebrated with great fanfare in the school. Different inter class activities like Sulekh, Quiz were organized for class III, IV and V.

An Inter school Poem Competition-Tarang was organized on this occasion. The topic of the poem was special indeed, 'Ahinsa – Hamari Pehchan'. Children from different schools showcased their talent and presented heart whelming poems dedicated to 150<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi.





## MIDDLE SCHOOL

#### **TOURISM DAY**

INTACH school group organized a travel brochure making activity for the middle school students. Children conducted research and made informative travel brochures depicting the various tourist attractions of any one state of India. They included information such as location, major cities, historical sites, language, food etc. in their brochure. They also used maps and pictures to make their brochure attractive. The activity helped students better understand the history, culture and geography of the state. The students enjoyed the activity and presented the information creatively.





#### WATER CONSERVATION

To promote the importance of "Water Conservation", an interactive session was organized, wherein the senior council members of the 'Jal Sansad' from Delhi Public School, Gurgaon, addressed the Eco Warriors of the Middle School and sensitized them about the judicious use of water. The session began with a question, 'Why there's a need to conserve water?' Members of the Jal Sansad opened the forum for discussion and interaction with Eco Warriors. During the discussion, students of Classes VI and VII came up with innovative ideas and shared different ways to conserve water. Taking the discussion further, senior council members accentuated the fact that "Every Drop Counts". They encouraged these Young Saviors of the Environment to act as messengers and spread the awareness on the need and ways to conserve water by acting as a model for others to emulate. Following the footsteps of our great leader, Mahatma Gandhi, the Eco Warriors pledged to exemplify the famous quote, "Be the change you want to see in the world."





# **OCTOBER**

#### **JUNIOR WING**

The month of October saw a lot of celebrations like Gandhi Jayanti- "Birthday of Beloved Bapu". The air was filled with lot of festivities such as Durga Puja, Dussehra, Diwali and the same were reflected by the activities conducted in the INTACH club in this month.

## **GANDHI JAYANTI**

Classes 3, 4 &5:The Junior School activities were also based on the Gandhi theme. PPTs and informative videos were shown in all the classes. Students were briefed about the terms such as "Non-Violence" and "Ahimsa" and their relevance in present times. Depiction of beautiful illustration in the notebooks along with his principles and quotes- "Be the change you want to see in others" made the activity more enjoyable. A special assembly was held in school in the

remembrance of Mahatma Gandhi. The amazing performances enthralled the audience as they watched the presentation.







#### **DUSSEHRA ASSEMBLY**

A special assembly on Dussehra was presented by the students of junior wing. The Director Principal, Ms. Aditi Misra also addressed the students and re-inforced the message of victory of the good over evil.





# **DIWALI ASSEMBLY**

A special assembly on Deepavali – The Festival of Lights was presented by the students of Class IV and V. Students were sensitized that by celebrating Green and cracker free Diwali, they can help protect the environment. The assembly left everyone awestruck with its impressive characters and strong message.





# MIDDLE SCHOOL

## EDUCATIONAL TOUR TO AHMEDABAD

Delhi Public School, Gurgaon had organized an educational tour to Ahmedabad and Lothal for the students of Middle School from 4th October'19 to 7th October'19. It aimed at apprising the students with the rich heritage and culture of Gujarat. The visit to Lothal, one of the Southern most cities of the ancient Indus Valley civilization was enriching. The students were awestruck by the sight of the world's earliest known dock. The market at Law Garden was a treat for our young shoppers as the colours of vibrant Gujarat shimmered in the kiosks. They had a fun filled evening at 'Vishala' where the atmosphere resonated with the performances of folk musicians and dancers. The authentic Gujarati food served there on biodegradable leaf plates was a plunge into the old-world charm of Gujarat. Students were spellbound by the incredible architecture of the Havelis, Jain temple, Adalaj Vav and Jama Masjid. They were taken down the memory lane as they explored the museum, handicrafts and spinning wheels in the Sabarmati Ashram that sprawls on the Western bank of River Sabarmati. The aura of the place that had served as a base for Gandhiji's political activities was truly enchanting. The tour was a great experience for the students as they were able to go beyond what they have been learning in text books and it helped them to gain a new perspective towards the architecture and history of Gujarat.



# **RANGOLI COMPETITION**

Class VII and Class VIII an Inter House 'Rangoli' competition for the students of class VII and VIII was held on 23rd October, 2019. Each house had a team comprising of six members, three each from class VII and class VIII. The students participated with immense zeal and enthusiasm to create bright and colourful rangoli. The judging criteria was based on colour combination creativity and neatness.

## DIYA MAKING USING ORIGAMI

To mark the beginning of the festive season, children of classes VII and VIII participated in the Diya making activity held on 17th October, 2019. The students made colourful and attractive diyas using Origami – the art of paper folding. They used newspapers, flyers, pamphlets etc to make the diyas and participated in the activity with great enthusiasm. It was a befitting start to the much loved festival season.





#### **NAYI TALEEM**

In pretty little lanes between a colony of beautiful ancient makaans was situated a huge museum like structured house with ancient darwaza. It was a bustling center of hand artisans working on beautiful karigari, paintings etc. We talked to them regarding their expertise and further went on to see their works. Following this we went on the first floor where the library was located containing ancient copies of unedited prints like Sanskrit scripture of the Bhagavad Gita and also The Quran. Then we went to the second floor, which had lots of ancient artefacts of many ancient collections. Then we watched a movie on Nayi Taleem explaining us the importance of spreading cooperative education instead of competitive. Further enhancing the idea with 3H's Head, Heart, Hand, working together in balance. Then after a debate we all went back with a stir of conflicts in our mind to encourage the anonymous artist within us. It was an amazing experience to be a part of such an enriching workshop as it connects us to our grass roots and forces us to think of the poor and spread this word far and wide. We enjoyed this day and will definitely cherish it as an enriching experience indeed. It was an amazing initiative taken by those who started it as a voluntary organization and also hats off to those who work with such perfection.



# **NOVEMBER**

#### **JUNIOR WING**

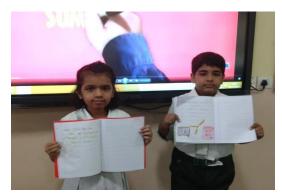
#### "Our rich and varied cultural heritage has a profound power to help build our nation."

INTACH's mission is to conserve heritage based on the belief that living in harmony with heritage enhances the quality of life, and it is the duty of every citizen of India as laid down in the Constitution of India. The students of Intach Club were made familiar with the enriching and fun filled activities planned for the month of November. This was full of outdoor activities like States Day, Eco Adventure Camp, and celebrations like World Science Day, Gurupurav and Universal Children's Day.

#### WORLD SCIENCE DAY

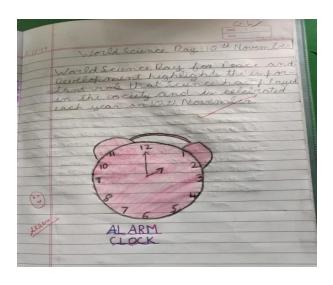
Class 3: World Science Day for Peace and Development is celebrated on 10<sup>th</sup> November every year. Children were made aware about the importance of science in our lives through explanation and interesting videos. Children drew pictures of various uses of science in our daily lives.





Classes 4 & 5: World Science Day was celebrated by discussing the wonders of Science and how it is a systematic way of knowledge and living. The students came to know that World Science Day is celebrated on November 10th every year for Peace and Development highlighting the important role that science has in society. The students drew and wrote about the various gadgets they use in their daily lives. They also went for PEC activity where they were told about various inventions and discoveries.

It was indeed a very knowledgeable day in which the main motive was to spread a message about the importance of Science used in the daily life of the people.





#### UNIVERSAL CHILDREN'S DAY

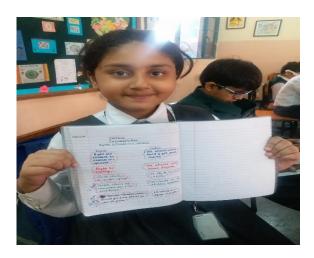
United Nations Universal Children's Day was established in 1954 and is celebrated on 20<sup>th</sup>November each year to promote international togetherness awareness among children worldwide and improving children's welfare. The topic was introduced through explanation and videos. Children drew their rights and duties in the bubbles in their notebooks.





Classes 4 & 5: Every child is a different kind of flower and all together make a beautiful garden. The next INTACH activity was of being aware of our Rights and Duties. Students discussed about the importance of the privileges they get as citizens of a country and how equally important the duties are for the betterment of themselves. Students wrote about their rights and duties in their activity book and promised to become responsible citizens.





## **GURUPURAB ASSEMBLY**

A special assembly was presented on 8th November 2019 to celebrate the birth anniversary of Guru Nanak Dev with reverence and devotion. The assembly commenced with the members of the Senior Student Council sharing information related to the life of Guru Nanak Dev. The school choir started the celebration by 'Sabad' followed by a skit which gave an insight into the life and teachings of Guru Nanak Dev.





## **STATES DAY**

Students of Class 3 presented a spectacular show-'My Colourful India' on 8<sup>th</sup> November.2019 which showcased the various cultures of India. The scintillating performance by the students made everyone present there look through a colourful kaleidoscope about the people and culture of various states. The parents and the children got a taste of the magical fusion of Indian cuisine, aptly called the 'Taste of India'.





# **MIDDLE WING**

# ANCIENT ARCHITECTURE

INTACH had organized an activity on the topic 'Ancient Architecture' for the middle school students. The students researched and wrote a brief description about any one unique architectural heritage site from the ancient period in their region, legends and myths associated with it and about its current status. The students participated enthusiastically and suggested measures to safeguard their role in protecting the country's ancient heritage.





## **DECEMBER**

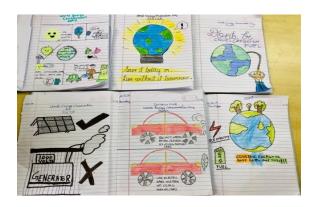
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One of the main objectives of the INTACH club is to create awareness among the students about our environment and sensitize them to make efforts to protect it. To facilitate this, activities in the INTACH club for the month of December were planned and conducted based on a theme.

**World Energy Conservation Day** is celebrated on 14th December globally to highlight the importance of energy consumption and its use in our day-to-day life. The activity under the INTACH club in the month of December also focused on promoting the cause and effect of energy conservation. Efforts were made to create awareness among students of classes 3, 4 and 5 on the need for energy conservation and the ways to achieve the same.

The simple steps to conserve the energy were enlisted by the students of class 3 &4. They also drew the renewable sources of Energy in their notebooks. Colourful and informative posters on Energy Conservation were made by the students of Class 5. They gave catchy slogans in their posters urging to save the energy.

PEC activities related to the cause of Conservation of Energy were conducted in both the classes to reinforce the cause.





#### **PUPPET SHOW**

A puppet show was organized for the students of class III by The Hindustan Times – PACE. The show was a joyful learning experience for the children. A puppet show being a powerful medium of storytelling not only helps to strengthen language skills but also helps to ingrain values and open the minds of children to a new world of imagination. The resource person, Ms. Shalini Tayal, weaved an insightful story around environmental concerns. The well-modulated voice and hand puppets made the characters of the story come alive. It was an interactive and fun learning session for the children which inspired them to work towards environment conservation and protect 'Our Mother Earth'.





# **MIDDLE WING**

## HERITAGE WALK TO RED FORT

An educational trip to Red Fort was organized by ITIHAAS (Indian Traditions and Heritage Society) for students of class VII. The students were taken on the tour of the fort guided by Shivani and Indira Ganesh of ITIHAAS, along with their team. They explained the historical and architectural significance of the fort in great detail and shared many interesting facts with the students. The students enjoyed the stories associated with the various monuments within the fort and were asking questions. A worksheet was filled up at the end of the visit with interesting questions based on the monument. The children learnt about the rich heritage of the country.









## **GANDHI AT 150: ICON OF CHANGE**

DPS Gurgaon, in association with INTACH club, organized an inter school painting and essay writing competition for students of classes VI to IX, *Gandhi at 150: Icon of Change*, on 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec 2019, to make the students aware of Gandhi ji's philosophy and its relevance. 16 schools from Gurgaon participated in this competition.

The programme commenced with the traditional lighting of the lamp by the guests and Director Principal, Ms Aditi Misra. The guest speaker for the event was Ms Ratna Pandey, who works as a freelance consultant, mentor, coach, writer and storyteller. The other distinguished guests were Major Atul Dev, Convener, INTACH, Gurugram Chapter, Ms Namrata Mishra, Co Convener, INTACH, Ms Anjali Saran, Executive member, INTACH and Ms Simran Gulati, member INTACH Gurugram Chapter. The felicitation of the guests was done by the Dean Student Welfare, Ms Sapna Dhawan.

Major Atul Dev in his address appreciated the students for their knowledge and awareness of their heritage and culture. Ms Ratna Pandey, the guest speaker, stressed on the importance of having a deep connect with our values. She told the students that there is no substitute to hard work and encouraged them to have unrelenting faith in themselves. The programme ended with the vote of thanks, proposed by Ms Namrata Mishra. It was an interactive and enriching session.









# JAIPUR HISTORY FESTIVAL

The Jaipur History Festival was held at The City Palace, Jaipur, from 11th – 14th December 2019. Schools from all over India participated in the festival under the supervision of Mr Sandeep Sethi (Director Education, City Palace Jaipur). Our school dance team performed two dance sequences at the festival. The first dance, Mohan se Mahatma, highlighted the journey of Gandhiji as India celebrates his 150th birth anniversary. The second performance, Namami Gangey, laid emphasis on the conservation of rivers of India. The audience, organizers and media hugely appreciated their performances.





# **JANUARY**

## **JUNIOR WING**

The main objective of the INTACH club is to make the students more sensible and alert citizens of the country. This year, India is celebrating 71<sup>st</sup> Republic Day, a great historic moment when the Constitution of India came into effect.

To celebrate the **Republic Day** and make the students understand its importance, various activities were conducted in the class. Students were told the true meaning of being republic, having the power to choose their representatives who will lead the country in the right direction. Students made Preamble of the Constitution and understood the importance of the ideals laid down in it in the functioning of the country.





#### SPECIAL ASSEMBLY

A special assembly was held in the auditorium, which highlighted the importance of Fundamental Rights and Duties for a citizen of India. Students promised that they will make their country proud and do their duties very well and will always follow the right path.

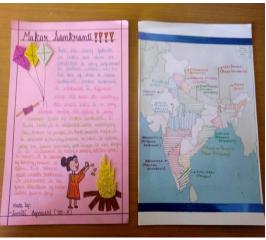


# **MIDDLE WING**

# MAKAR SANKRANTI CELEBRATION

INTACH school group organized an activity for middle school students on the celebration of Makar Sankranti across our country in different ways. Students researched and wrote about cultural significance of the festival as we move from one state to another. They also wrote about the various rituals performed and traditional food prepared during the celebrations. Children learnt that every region in our country celebrates the festival of Makar Sankranti according to its localization, culture and traditions.





# **FEBRUARY**

# **JUNIOR WING**

#### **BASANT PANCHAMI CELEBRATION-**

Spring is known as the "King of all Seasons" and the festival of Basant Panchami formally marks the onset of spring season. It is also a festival dedicated to goddess <u>Saraswati</u>, the goddess of knowledge, language, music and all arts, resonating the INTACH's core areas.

Students of junior school were shown a presentation on the festival of Basant Panchami, which described the associated legends, traditions and celebrations associated with it. As a follow up activity, the students also made colourful posters reflecting their understanding related to the spring festival.





#### MIDDLE SCHOOL

#### NATIONAL SCIENCE DAY

The school organized the screening of films as part of the ongoing Science Film Festival conducted by the Goethe Institute, the theme being 'HUMBOLDT AND THE WEB OF LIFE'.

A collection of three movies were shown to the students of class VIII. The selection of the movies was based on the current scenario and the challenges faced by the human society such as: 

benefits of urban farming which increases the availability of nutritious foods and strengthens community ties 

threats to the ecosystem due to the unrestricted use of plastic in daily life The movie helped to create, foster and strengthen scientific temper in students through visual learning. Activities were conducted to reinforce the concepts and discussions were held to bring out viable solutions for a better tomorrow.





# **INTACH FILMIT DELHI FESTIVAL-2020**

Filmit is a multi- cultural project funded by Helen Hamlyn Trust (UK). The project aims at nurturing cultural understanding, care and concern amongst school children through the exciting experience of making films. INTACH Filmit Delhi Festival was held on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2020 at India International Centre, Delhi. Over 40 schools of National Capital Region participated in the project. Students of DPS, Gurgaon won prizes in two different categories:

- 1. Best Documentary Film- Adaptive reuse of heritage buildings-'Mirza Ghalib Ki Haveli'
- 2. Best Screenplay- Family Heritage-'Green Chillies Pickle'

Filmit proved to be an exciting and novel way to ignite an interest for heritage amongst the young. It uses a medium that the young today feel motivated about, namely, film-making, to explore their own culture.



Our INTACH Club activities helped in creating awareness and sense of belonging among students and inculcated in young minds a feeling for heritage.

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