

## DPS Gurgaon and CanKids come together for a cause

*Happiness does not result from what we get, but from what we give.*

Living by this adage, Delhi Public School, Gurgaon celebrated in collaborative and joyous spirit the season of cheer, sharing and giving on 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2023 with the CanKids..KidsCan , an NGO committed to bring about change in the lives of children afflicted with cancer.

This annual event, a part of the school's Community Outreach Programme, was marked with fun-filled activities for the children who are either cancer survivors or are affected by it. Sixteen school buses arrived in the morning of 17<sup>th</sup> December with children from nine hospitals along with their families from Delhi/ NCR.

The day commenced with the making of 'Thank You' cards by these children for their doctors with the help of student volunteers and teachers. Their parents, in the meanwhile ,enjoyed the Bollywood movie' Chak De India' in the school auditorium .

In her address . the Director Principal, Ms Aditi Misra, thanked Ms. Poonam Bagai, Founder and Chairperson, CanKids , Ms Sonal Sharma, Co Founder and Board Member, CanKids , Dr Blossom Kochchar, Ambassador CanKids, for giving the students of DPS Gurgaon the opportunity to live by the school motto 'Service Before Self'. She also lauded the support of the school leadership team, teachers and the co-operation of the Parent Body towards such a noble cause. She also gave gifts to the children which were lovingly sent by Ms Devyani Jaipuria, Pro vice Chairperson who is ever committed to community welfare and social wellness.

The auditorium came alive with vibrant rhythm of dance, melodious music and entertaining theatre , all skillfully woven together by the students of class XI. The children were excited to see their favourite cartoon characters like Nobita, Doraemon, Chota Bheem, Shinchan performing on stage. A short interactive quiz within the play was also thoroughly enjoyed by the children. The presence of the white bearded , red robed Santa distributing goodies from the Santa bag in the auditorium enlivened the spirit of Christmas and joy of giving. A heart touching play depicting that cancer is curable with proper medical treatment, was presented by 'Kids Can Konnect', a group of young cancer survivors,

After the culmination of the cultural event ,Dr Blossom Kochhar in her address urged everyone to do their bit for the society . Ms Sonal Sharma expressed her deep gratitude to Ms Aditi Misra and her team for hosting the event every year with zest and enthusiasm.

The children then enjoyed games and joyrides followed by a hot and delicious lunch sponsored by DPS Gurgaon. It was well realized by all those who were involved with this noble cause that only a life lived for others is a life worth living.





