

The Editorial

Can an eaglet emulate a phoenix? Figuratively? It has been more than ten years since *The Eaglet* made its last appearance. It has not succumbed to any conflagration; it merely got buried deep in time and now it is the occasion for its resurrection.

What we have been sorely missing among the myriad activities in the school is a chronicler to compile the good tidings and create a bouquet for every one to read and cherish. Our community is so large and still growing that we may sometime miss out on numerous activities that happen in the institution.

We have our work cut out and the robust shoulders of the editorial team are primed to carry out the task most diligently. We are extremely happy to present you this edition of *The Eaglet*. We hope to bring out the newsletter with more frequency in the future.

Contributions from students to the newsletter along with any valuable suggestions are eagerly awaited.

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THE HYDERABAD PUBLIC SCHOOLTM, BEGUMPET

Newsletter - June - October 2018

From the Principal's Desk



Dear students and parents,

I am delighted to introduce this first edition of *The Eaglet* newsletter after a gap of more than a decade. We intend to make it a regular publication and to use it to keep you in touch with news and developments that relate to the school and its onward journey. In this edition, we have reported the activities which have taken place at the school and in the lives of the students. In the future editions, we shall also include other news such as details of the visitors and the steps which are now being taken to improve the overall infrastructure of the school.

It is an honour to bring to you the newsletter of The Hyderabad Public School, Begumpet. There is a lot which happens in a school of our stature and in the lives of our children and staff. There is no better way of bringing the highlights of their time in school other than a newsletter.

I thank all teaching and non-teaching staff who contribute to the growth of the school. I would also like to thank my students who are the energetic powerhouse behind the HPS story year after year.

Providing remarkable experiences for our students both inside and outside the classroom remains a key focus of the school. I have



Mr. Skand Bali

indubitably enjoyed learning about the various achievements of our staff and students. Multifarious events in the school reflect how the staff continues to freely proffer their time to ensure that the students earn memorable experiences. I express my gratitude to the staff that meticulously plans these events which are highlighted in this edition.

Our editorial board has worked very hard in giving the newsletter *The Eaglet* a new life. I wish to congratulate the entire editorial board for their commendable work.

I hope you enjoy reading this newsletter as much as the team enjoyed creating it.



Racking up

Tu Shaheen hai Parvaaz hai kaam tera
ke tere saamne aasman aur bhi hai
...Iqbal



The Brainfeed School Excellence Award 2017-18:
The selection committee unanimously awarded HPS among the top 500 schools in India in the category of the **Best Infrastructure / Sports Education / Influential Brand School** as the best ICSE School in Telangana, commemorating its achievement in quality education.
Outstanding infrastructure of the year Award was given in the National School Awards, 2018.
Academic Excellence Award: The Hyderabad Public School, Begumpet has been awarded the Academic Excellence Award in the National School Awards, 2018.



Education Today, India School Merit Awards: The school has been ranked **No. 3 in India, No.1 in Telangana & Hyderabad** under India top 20 Day cum Boarding School for exemplary contribution to the education field.



INTACH Heritage for Generations Award: was given for keeping heritage buildings in good shape.



Futuristic School Award: Rethink India awarded the school with the futuristic school award.



'Protect Animals' and 'Do not Waste Food'. The little ones were put into small groups and were helped in planting saplings as part of **Haritha Haram** programme.

The Annual Fancy Dress Competition created an atmosphere of liveliness and cheerfulness when the little ones lit up the stage in their colourful costumes. Both events were very entertaining and kept the audience enthralled with their adorable display.

Story Telling Sessions kept the students spell bound and absorbed as they listened to stories with cartoon characters.

Coolympics, a sports event, was organized for PP1 from 24 to 27 October. The venue was adorned with cheerleaders and flags. The tiny tots were engaged in playing team games like basketball, cricket, table tennis, kabaddi, football, hockey and tennis. Some indigenous games like Pachisi, Astha Chamma chaouka bara, Ludo, Kanche marbles, Moksha patam snakes n ladders, Lattoo wooden top, Gilli danda, Lagori pitto satoliya, Gutte 5 stones gave them a feel for the native games. The children played with a lot of enthusiasm and zest.

Graduation Ceremony of class PP-2

The Graduation Ceremony for the students of class PP-2 had them walking the stage adorned in convocation capes to receive their Graduation Certificates. It was indeed a joyous and memorable day for the little ones as they received their Graduation Certificates from the Principal, Mr. Skand Bali, The Registrar, Lt. Col. PLN Sarma and the HM, Primary School, Mrs. Bharathi Duvvuri.



EVENTS

The World of the Tiny Tots



The little ones absorb and imbibe like a sponge. They were taught certain well-thought out topics observed and celebrated as **DAYS**.

The Senses Day focussed on explaining the children about the importance of the five sense organs—ears, eyes, nose, tongue and skin.

The students expressed themselves in a particular colour in special assemblies organised. The kids wore clothes of the colour, and the hallways were decorated in the colour of the day. The kids were also engaged in activities which somehow found a way to include the colour of the day into it. **An orange day, a red day, a pink day, a yellow day, as well as a black and a white day** were celebrated.

They also celebrated a **World Smiley Day**. The children looked adorable in yellow smiley T-shirts. Topics like family and friends, cartoons, toys, eatables, helping others and my pets were displayed on the bulletin boards. Children were overjoyed to see them. Some children were thrilled to see pictures of their family and friends in school while others were ecstatic to see their favourite cartoons, snacks, toys, etc.

Transport Day was all about making the students understand different forms of transport like road, water, air and rail.

The Environment Day motivated the students of each class to highlight present day issues in regard to the environment with slogans like 'Say No to Plastic', 'Go Green', 'Save water', 'Less pollution is the best solution',



Accolades



Education World: India School rankings 2018-19 was conferred as number 1 in Telangana & Hyderabad and number 6 in India in Day cum Boarding Schools category.



Future 50 Award 2018: The school has been ranked first among the Future 50 schools shaping the success in the country.



India's Best Standalone Senior Secondary School: The Global Triumph Foundation honoured the school with India's best Standalone Senior Secondary School.



Best Innovative K-12 School: The Global Triumph Foundation gave the school the Best Innovative K-12 School Award.

Indian Association for Blind empowerment champions-2018: The school was conferred the Blind Champions Award by the Indian Association for the Blind.

Science & Humanity School Award placed the school as 'Best' at the National level.

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WORKSHOP

Professional Retreat

Professional learning is required throughout a teacher's career as different professional needs emerge and contextual circumstances shift. The new academic session began with a two day professional retreat for the teachers. It was conducted by an organisation called **Mind the Mind**. The theme was '**Team Work**' i.e. 'Together Everyone Achieves More'. Various activities were organized to give the teachers a modish outlook on education.



WORKSHOP

Quality Concept Workshop



QCFI conducted a workshop for the teachers on Quality Concept. Mr. A. Shyam Mohan, President, HPS Society & Chairman of QCFI, said that all segments of the society should develop the penchant for quality. Presentations on how to enhance quality of human life in every sphere were made by resource persons. A group of students from Vidya Bharti High School, BHEL, awed the teachers with the presentation of their case study on what quality circles can do for improving standards and results in any school.



Individual Achievements

Prem Madhav Bali of class V-E won silver medal in U/14 category Shooting Championship.

Bora Shashivadhan Reddy of class V-A won the Inter House Boys cricket match, participated in the TS Soft Ball Meet held in PG College grounds, Hyderabad and bagged the first position. He is selected for the National level Meet.

Sri Vatsankit of class V-D won gold medal in U/11 category Equestrian Show Jumping Event.

M.Naga Sai Manikant of Class IV received Kala Ratna award at the National Drawing and Colouring Competition held by CSSD.

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EVENTS The Primary School

Handwriting competition was held in all the languages and for all the classes of the primary school. It was a motivation for them to improve their handwriting.

Story Telling competition enabled all the participating students to showcase their dramatic and oratory talent.

Recitation Competition in Hindi and Telugu encouraged and highlighted the extraordinary capabilities of the students.

Art and Craft competitions in Rakhi making and Origami were held and the students were taught how to decorate earthen lamps.

On Teacher's Day, Inter House Dance Competition was held. It turned out to be wonderful entertainment to all apart from enthusing the children to fine tune their dancing skills.

Music Competition was held for the students to discover their talents in classical, non-classical, instrumental and solo renditions.

Fancy Dress Competition was held for classes I and II. Students explored their imagination. It was a dazzling show by our little ones. Along with entertaining the audience they also conveyed messages on socially relevant issues.

SIP Arithmetic Genius: Fifteen students qualified for the state level Inter-School Competition.

The students participated in **The Hindu Literary Fest** and got exposed to different forms of oratory skills.

Sports Events:

Inter House matches for various athletic events were held. Inter House Football match for boys was won by the **Nagarjuna House**. Inter House Boys' Basketball match, Inter House Girls' Basketball match and the Inter House Boys' cricket match were all won by the **Nalanda House**.

The students brought laurels for the school in the recently held **SFA Meet**.



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AWARENESS PROGRAMME Wildlife Conservation

Mrs. Farida Tampil, the State Director of the WWF, was invited to conduct a **workshop for the students** on wildlife conservation at school. It was an interactive session which helped raise students' awareness for the protection of animals. The event was graced by the British Deputy High Commissioner, Mr. Andrews Fleming. The other dignitaries present were Mr. Faiz Khan, Secretary and Treasurer of the HPS Society, Member BOG, the Principal, Mr. Skand Bali, the Vice Principal, Mrs. Latha Shankar and other members of the Board.



IAYP Training and Adventure Camp

Preliminary adventure journey **training program for IAYP** was held at school where the students were trained to prepare and understand the nuances of any adventurous journey.

They later attended an **adventure camp held at Kesaragutta** organised by Wild Woods Adventures.

The students enjoyed rappelling, rock climbing, zip lining, river crossing, trekking and tent pitching.



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Developing Reading and Writing Skills in English

The Department of English hosted a workshop on Development of Reading Comprehension and Creative writing Skills in Literature & Poetry for teachers of English on 22 September 2018. It was organized by Pitambar Publishing Co. Pvt. Ltd. and Rising Sun Publishing Co.

The resource person, **Dr. Rajini Krishnaswamy**, an academican with forty years of experience in the field, conducted the workshop. The workshop kick started with the much discussed and talked about topic, **why a new curriculum?** The teachers were asked to approach child centric teaching where their participation is of a paramount importance. The integrated approach was recommended where an educator must attempt to connect and correlate knowledge and experiences across various topics as well as across subject areas.

During the break, a collection of short stories, '**Scattered Leaves**' was released. The book is authored by **Mrs. Manika Mehta**, an educator. She is a self-motivated writer, storyteller, poet and philosopher who believes in unveiling the real unsung heroes in her writings.



EVENT

SCOO News- Tech Dive 2018

The school hosted the **Tech Dive for School Leaders** organized by SCOO NEWS. It was a two-day conclave attended by 110 school leaders from across the country. Experts from leading technology solutions held classroom sessions with live demonstrations. The sessions focussed on four different technologies such as Augmented Reality, Virtual Reality, Robotics and 3D printing.



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Infrastructural Changes



- ▲ Inauguration of the **renovated school hospital** which has a consultation room, an observation room with 12 beds, an isolation room with six beds and a girls' room.
- ▲ Inauguration of the **e-library** which is attached to the main library with 42 thin-client desktops available with internet and independent audio facility for each computer.
- ▲ Inauguration of a well-equipped **multi-station gymnasium**.
- ▲ Inauguration of an international level 10M **Indoor air conditioned shooting range**, which boasts of highly sophisticated ten firing points and an imported electronic target for air rifle and air pistol.
- ▲ Inauguration of the **renovated science block** with 18 classrooms with smoke detectors, LED lighting, CCTV, and enmeshed windows and ventilators.
- ▲ Inauguration of a new staffroom (**with 40 tables**) equipped with smoke detectors, LED lighting, CCTV, and enmeshed windows and ventilators, music system and internet accessibility at each table.
- ▲ Inauguration of **four well-equipped laboratories**.
- ▲ The laying of Foundation stone for a **Golf Driving Range** with 8-10 ranges.
- ▲ The laying of foundation stone for the **Open Air Theatre**.

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Round Square Conference

The Round Square is an association of about 180 schools in 50 countries around the world that organizes student conferences and exchanges between member schools. Nine students from classes 9 to 11 represented the school at the Round Square Conference held in Bengaluru this October. The theme 'Let's change ourselves, not nature' was based on one of the six Round Square Pillars, the environment. One hundred and thirty delegates from 13 schools from all over the country participated in the conference.



The conference started with a fun-filled evening of games which played an integral role in bringing the students from different cultural backgrounds closer. The delegates were then divided into groups for a Barazza session, where each group was to approach and present the topic given in their own innovative way. This intense brainstorming helped stimulate the delegates enough to realize that spreading awareness on environmental conservation will have to go



hand in hand with change in certain traditional practices.

The conference succeeded in making the delegates acutely aware of the world around us and the immediate need to set things right through participation in well-planned activities like Campus Tour, Barazza Session, Art Workshop, Trek to



an Ancient Temple, Cleanliness Drive, Yoga Session, National Park Safari, Workshop on Waste Management, Feeding the Soil, Zumba and Treasure Hunt. Each school put up a dance or a skit based on the theme with which the conference concluded.



At the end of the conference I agree with the words of President Obama when he said, "We are the first generation to feel the effect of climate change and the last generation who can do something about it."

-Ahana Basu
Class 10 D



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WORKSHOP

Artistry at HPS

A three-day workshop on Madhubani, traditional form of Indian art was organized under the aegis of SPIC MACAY. The workshop was conducted by an artisan, Mrs. Ambika Devi, a National awardee in this form of the art. The students were taught about the history of the art form and the process of creating it. They reproduced certain paintings exhibited by the artisans.



Neuroscience Based Recollection Centric Pedagogical Techniques for Teachers

The Department of Progressive Learning arranged a workshop for the teachers which was conducted by Mr P. Srinivas from Johan Brown Publishing House. The workshop empowered teachers to enable students engineer their neurons using NeurOne Teaching Methodology.

A Visit to Green Special School

32 students of class 11 visited Green Special School in Mehdipatnam. The purpose of the visit was to help and greet the differently-abled children with the motto of "Self Realization".

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Young Shoulders Wield Responsibility

The school solemnised the most important event in the school calendar, **The Investiture Ceremony**. The induction ceremony brought forth the solemn and eagerly awaited oath taking ceremony by the new, democratically appointed Prefectorial Board in whom the school reposed its trust to lead the school with their commitment, confidence and competence. The Principal, Mr. Skand Bali, administered the oath of office and the members of the council pledged to discharge their duties and responsibilities in the most proactive and diligent manner. It was a defining moment for the newly chosen, with the school entrusting responsibilities on the young leaders, to uphold the values of the school and to keep the school flag flying high while discharging their duties. The young leaders took the mantle of responsibility with commitment as the principal reinforced that he hoped the new council would dig their heels in, to scale new heights. The occasion was graced by Major General Sandeep Sharma, VSM, Commandant, College of Defence Management.



Charity to Tejas Foundation

HPS students showed empathy and philanthropy by collecting and donating a sum of Rs.7,38,292/- to help the cause of the foundation. Mr. A. Shyam Mohan, President of the HPS Society, presented the cheque to the foundation.



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EVENT Regional Sports Meet 2018-19

True to its vision, the school is committed to providing holistic development of its students with high quality of sports and physical activities. The recently concluded **ASISC AP & Telangana State Regional Sports Meet** stands testimony to our commitment. As many as **375 students participated** in different categories and **bagged 91 gold medals, 66 silver medals and 65 bronze medals**. The complete list of the medals won is:

SKATING: Nidhi Rai won gold medal in 300m & 500m Inline skating in U-17 girls' category. Anirudh won gold medals in 500m & 1000m Inline skating in U- 17 boys' category.



KABADDI: Boys' team won gold and silver medal in U/17 and U/19 categories respectively.

CARROMS: Sai Kiran won silver medal in U/17 boys' category. Rahul Jade won a bronze medal in U/19 boys' category and K. Snehith & G. Shashidhar won bronze medals in U/19 boys' category.

THROW BALL: U/19 boys' team won gold medals and U/17 boys' team won bronze medals.

TABLE TENNIS: Ahan Mahanti & Srivastav Venugopal won bronze medal in U/17 boys' doubles category.

HOCKEY: U/17 years and U/19 boys' teams won gold medals.

BASKETBALL: U/17 girls' team won silver medal and U/17 boys' team won bronze medal.

SWIMMING: Raghav Guru Krishnan won a gold medal in 50m Butterfly and silver medals in 100m freestyle & 50m Backstroke in U/17 years boys' category. Yuvraj Kumar Sharma won gold medals in 50m and 100m Breaststroke & silver medal in Freestyle. Avinash Kumar Sharma won gold

medal in 4x100 relay, silver medal in 100m Butterfly and a bronze medal in 50m Butterfly. The other members of the Relay team were Raghav Guru Krishnan, Yuvraj Kumar Sharma and Maharshith N. Garv Jain bagged bronze medal in 50m Backstroke in U/19 boys' category. Yuvraj Kumar Sharma bagged individual championship in U/ 17 years boys' category and the overall championship in U/17 boys' category was bagged by our school. Nisha Ganesh won a gold medal in 50m Butterfly and silver medals in 50m & 100m Breaststroke in U/17 girls' category.

FOOTBALL: U/17 boys' team won gold medal and U/19 boys' team won a bronze.

VOLLEYBALL: U/17 girls' and U/19 boys' teams won silver medals.

TENNIS: Rishil Gupta and Sai Teja Rohit won silver medals in U/19 boys' double category. Karthik K and Advaith won bronze medals in U/19 boys' doubles category. Sai Harshil and Tejas S won bronze medals in U/17 boys' category.

ATHLETICS: Lazim Afraz and M Nihal won bronze medals in 100m and 200m sprint respectively in U/17 category. Balaji Krishna Kumar won gold medals in 100m hurdles, Long jump & Triple jump in U/17 boys' category. He also won a bronze medal in Javeline throw in U/17 boys' category. Kalyan Kumar won gold medal in High jump in U/17 boys' category. A team comprising Nihal, Mahesh, Balaji Krishna Kumar and

Lazim Afraz won silver medal in 4 x 100m relay in U/17 years boys' category. Master Balaji Krishna Kumar secured individual championship in U/17 boys' category. Surya T. won silver medal in 200m and bronze medal in 100m sprint in U/19 boys' category. P. Rohit Reddy won a gold medal in Javelin throw and bronze medal in Shot put in U/19 boys' category. A team comprising Ali Riyan, Rohit Reddy, Chandra Prakash & Surya T won bronze medal in 4 x100m relay. Ojasvi K. won bronze medal in Shot put in U/17 girls' category and Dikshitha won silver medal in Triple jump in U/19 girls' category.

ARTISTIC YOGA: Gayathri Cherukupalli and Patanam Sai Ram won gold medals in junior girls' and senior boys' category. T Rithvik Vishnu and K Saathvivardhan won silver medals in junior boys' & senior boys' category. D Medhashri won bronze medal in girls' junior category. Riya Sai and Niharika Vishal won bronze medals in senior girls' category and Kaushik M won a gold medal in senior boys' category.

EVENTS

Hosting IPSC Cricket and Hockey Tournaments.

The school hosted All India IPSC (U-14) boys Cricket Tournament.

More than 278 young boys participated who made it a fiercely fought competition.

The Chief Guest for the Closing Ceremony was Mr Arshad Ayub, former international cricketer and former president of the Hyderabad Cricket Association.



The school hosted All India IPSC Girls (U-17) Tournament.

Mr. Alloysius Edwards, former international (Olympian) hockey player, graced the opening ceremony while the closing ceremony was graced by Mr. Challa Tagore Babu, former international hockey player.

Keerthana Kapoor, Santana Somali, and Bathmat from the school have been selected for the SGFI (U-17) Hockey Nationals.



Celebrating Our Freedom and Paying Homage to the Martyrs



EVENT

World Music Day

World Music Day, an annual event, takes place on 21 June around the world. It is a celebration of music in all forms which is gratis and open to public. This year, the performances were exclusively by the students and a few alumni of the school.



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EVENT International Day of Yoga

One thousand and five hundred students from the middle and senior school and 150 students from the three wings of NCC performed yogasanas under the guidance of the yoga teacher, Mr. Chandrakanth, to observe The International Day of Yoga on 21 June. It was a spectacular show on a cheerful, sunny morning.



The Day that Felicitates the Teaching Fraternity

Teacher's Day celebrations witnessed different facets of the personality of the students as they paid befitting tribute to their teachers, mentors and guides to mark the occasion.



My trip to NASA

A flight to Dubai on 23 April and from there 16 hours in the air to Orlando, seventy students and seven teachers looked forward to their trip to NASA.

Orlando, the city of lakes, offer breathtaking views. We visited the much awaited **Kennedy Space Centre**. The very first view left us speechless. We saw gigantic models of rockets in the rocket garden. We took a closer look at the



various achievements of **NASA** and had lunch with an astronaut, Don Thomas, who told us about various things



that he and his crew did on space crafts and the food they ate. We took a guided tour of the most secured areas of the space centre and had an opportunity to see the launch pads from where the rocket carrying the first man to enter space

took off. We then went for a movie in the KSC which gave us information about the international space station and its working. **The Atlantis museum** not only showed us a documentary on its various trips but also showed the real space shuttle, back from the outer space. We were awed by the achievements of man.

We visited the **Disney World** and enjoyed ourselves there.

The world famous **Universal Studios** made us understand how movies are shot. We visited the magnanimous **Niagara Falls** and watched a film showing various daredevils performing spine-chilling tasks at the Niagara Adventure Theatre. **New York**, the city that never sleeps, was enchanting. We clicked photos with the wax mannequins of the celebrities at **Madame Tussauds**. The picturesque **Brooklyn bridge**, the **Empire State building**, **One World Observatory**-a 102-storey building with glass panes which offered a dream-like view of the skyline of New York city, **NYC-Times Square**, and last but not least, **the Statue of Liberty** are etched in the memory forever. The vast campus and welcoming atmosphere of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Harvard University left an indelible mark on me. The interaction and the talks that we attended there gave us an insight into and seriousness about our careers.

We came back loaded with memories which we would cherish forever.

-Aastha Sagar
Class 10 D

EVENT

An Initiative to Enhance City's Lung Cover

Haritha Haram is a large-scale tree planting programme implemented by the government of Telangana. The school took an initiative of **planting 2000 saplings** in the first week of August to help the students imbibe the importance of trees on the planet.



Once upon a Time

Story telling is the most fun-loving and effective way to inspire, motivate and teach. The school in association with Pitambar-Rising Sun organized a few story-telling sessions. The sessions were conducted by 'Storywallahs' from Bengaluru and Hyderabad for the students of pre-primary, primary and secondary school. All stories were value-based and had a contemporary connect.



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EVENT

Release of the School Magazine



The School magazine, *Shaheen*, has for years been the pride of the school as it encapsulates the school's ideology, principles and values. It is a meticulous account of all the events and activities in the year gone by. It is also a treasure house of creative talent that radiates through its pages in the form of articles and poems and its creative brilliance makes it a priceless treasure. The *Shaheen* for the year 2017-18 was released by the Principal, Mr. Skand Bali, on 23 July in a special assembly which was addressed by the Chief Editor, Mrs. Amritha Chandra, who heads the department of English.

WORKSHOP

IC3 CONFERENCE

The career counsellor, Mrs. Reena Singh attended the 2018 **Annual International Career and College Counselling (IC3) Conference** held on 29-30 August 2018 at the Taj Palace, New Delhi which acknowledged that India's 350 million students, the biggest student population in the world, need at least 1.4 million career counsellors to maintain a globally acceptable student to school counsellor ratio. With 100+ speakers and over 40 sessions, the 3rd edition of the IC3 Conference provided an engaging platform to discuss new ideas and opportunities in global higher education and student counselling.



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To Soar Is Your Destiny- Choosing the Right Career

The school has instituted a career counselling department this academic year and is happy to intimate that students of grades 9 to 12 are being given one-to-one career counselling on day to day basis. For authentic and research based support, HPSB has teamed with **Univariety** and **Mindler** which are comprehensive platforms that provide Career & College Guidance to students through tools, face to face counselling, psychometric assessments, university access, engaging online chat options and numerous research tools.

Regular sessions and workshops by the outsource agencies are being held to broaden students' knowledge about different facets of higher education along with the streams they have chosen or plan to choose. Topics like 'Careers after 12th' with special reference to BBA & Law',



'Media Business', 'Age of New Careers', 'Education Abroad and SAT', 'Hospitality in India and Abroad' etc. are imparted to broaden the knowledge of the students.

The school has conducted online Psychometric Tests for grade 12 and 10 by Mindler—a renowned career counselling service to evaluate a candidate's decision making ability, intelligence and motivation, and to match their personality traits and behaviour with those required for a particular job.

Visits of Admission Coordinators and representatives of various colleges and universities is a regular feature at HPS. Mc Isaac Keir, the student recruitment officer from the Memorial University of Newfoundland, Canada, Ms Bela Brahmbhatt, the student recruitment Officer from the Blue Mountain of Australia, Ms. Vandana Mahajan, a representative of Western University, Canada have visited the school to explore potential collaboration opportunities between their Universities and HPS.

A group of 13 students (grade 9 to 12) was taken to AISFM (Annapurna International School of Film and Media) for a workshop that included studio tour, discussion on education offered in media and entertainment, and hands on experience in Claymation Animation. Students were invited to participate in a school event like the one organized by University of Tasmania, Australia, at Hotel Taj Deccan, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad.

Face to face counselling for the students of classes 12, 11, 10 and 9 by Univariety counsellors was organized and has successfully been completed for each student. This gave them an insight into the scope of their selection of subjects and courses opted at school level and opportunities available at undergraduate level courses.

Global University fair was conducted for the parents and students of grade 9 to 12. Eight national universities like



Ashoka University-Sonapat, BML Munjal University-Gurugram, Haryana, Flame University-Pune, Krea



University-Chennai etc. and ten international universities like Ecole Hoteliere Lausanne-Switzerland, Essec Business School, France, Queen's

University-Kingston, Ontario, Canada, Istituto Marangoni-Fashion Design School, Milan, London, Paris etc. participated in it to make the audience get updated information of the courses, opportunities and scholarships available for the student body. Parents and students of grade 11 and 12 were invited to attend US University fair organized in HPS. It was marked by the presence of universities like California State University, Northridge, Full Sail University, Middle Tennessee State University, Millsaps College, North Carolina State University, Savannah College of Art and Design, Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania etc. to discuss their admission policy and under graduate level courses.

The objective of Career Counselling department is that each student of the high school makes an informed decision regarding choice of the right combination of subjects and courses to study at the school as well as college/university level for a fulfilling career.

-Mrs. Reena Singh

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Street Play

Inter House Competition

'Brain Drain' was the theme of the Inter House Street Play Competition this year. It was an epic display of theatrical prowess with a spectacular show of wits and messages. Each house exhibited its creativity, innovation, and talent. The Vijaynagar House was adjudged the best.



Revival of the Photography Club

The in-house Photography Club was inaugurated by the British Deputy High Commissioner, Mr. Andrews Fleming on 13 July 2018. The other dignitaries present were Mr. Faiz Khan, Secretary & Treasurer, HPS society, Member BOG; the Principal, Mr. Skand Bali; the Vice Principal, Mrs. Latha Shankar; and other members of the Board.

Photography is now available to the students as one activity to opt for. Mr. Masood Hussain, an alumnus of the school, is the chief mentor of the club.



AN EMOTIONAL SEND OFF

Graduation Ceremony



Graduation Ceremony for the Batch of ISC 2018 was solemnized on 19 June 2018. Mrs. Sangeeta Bahl, former model and entrepreneur from Jammu and Kashmir and the oldest Indian woman to conquer Mount Everest on 19 May this year, was the keynote speaker. She presented the graduands with their diplomas and awards. The Principal, Mr. Skand Bali, encouraged the students to excel in life and blessed them for a bright future.

Superannuation

A warm farewell was accorded to **Dr. T Ramanuja Swamy**, who headed the departments of Telugu and Sanskrit and **Mr. Dennis Powell**, the music teacher. Dr. Swamy retired after an illustrious 30 years of service and Mr. Powell after 39 years.



THE NEW ENTRANTS

Welcoming Class 11 into HPS portals

The School warmly welcomed the newest entrants, Class XI students, into the school at a **Freshers' event**. The easy camaraderie and the bonhomie shared by the junior and the senior students created the perfect ambience for a fun-filled morning of amusing games and musical renditions. The students of class 12 welcomed the new with dance and music. Punit Maini and Pallavi of Class XI walked away with the Mr. Fresher and Ms. Fresher titles while Aman Raj and Nidhi Rai were crowned Mr. HPS and Ms. HPS.



Welcoming New Appointees

Middle and Senior School

Ms. Jyoti Tomar - PGT History
Ms. C. Pujita Krishna - PGT English
Ms. Sreedevi - TGT Telugu
Ms. Mallaya Chari - TGT Telugu
Ms. Najma Ansari - TGT Hindi
Ms. Vani - TGT Sanskrit
Ms. Mujtaba - TGT Mathematics
Ms. Santoshini – Yoga teacher
Ms. Sri Rama - Librarian

Primary School

Ms. Radhika Nandraj
Ms. Poonam Durbha
Ms. Priya Christopher
Ms. Elizabeth Matthew

Pre-primary School

Ms. Madhuri Pissapati
Ms. Kamaljit Kaur
Ms. Yashab Nasser

Department of Career Counselling

Ms. Reena Singh

Department of Progressive Learning

Ms. Sunita Modi

Administrative Personnel

Mr. K. Jagan Mohan Reddy, HR Manager and Law officer
Mr. P. J. Chaitanya, HR Assistant
Mr. K. Sunny, HR Assistant



though we belong to different countries, we are more similar than one might have thought or imagined. We had similar interests in food, sports and even books. They treated me like one of their own. The exchange programme



at the school was absorbing and well-organized.

At the end of the 15-day trip, I was a little pensive but also glad that I made new friends and got closer to the ones I already had when they had visited my school. I'd like to thank the Principal, Mr. Skand Bali, for giving me this opportunity of being part of the journey; Mrs. Neetha Reddy and Mrs. Neeta Bisht for taking care of us throughout. It wouldn't have been so memorable if it wasn't for these special people.

-Aditya Lahiri
Class 9-D

THE EAGLET

The Goodwill Exchange Programme and I

In May this year 35 students from HPS, Begumpet and HPS, Ramanthapur together embarked on a journey across Europe that would only last a fortnight but would be forever embedded in their memories. We got an opportunity to experience the diverse cultures of Central Europe, firsthand.

Our first stop was Frankfurt, Germany, where we stayed in a quaint hotel on the outskirts of the city. The first thing that strikes about European cities is their sheer beauty. It was like stepping into the set of a Disney movie, and I didn't feel like ever leaving the place. We visited a science museum and got a guided tour around the Old Town Square. The majestic 90-metre tall Cathedral of St. Bartholomew that was built in 1550 awed me.



A couple of days later, we set off on a five-hour drive to Prague, Czech Republic, with a quick stop at Nuremberg on the way. We were taken around the historic Nazi Party Rally Grounds where six Nazi party rallies were held between 1933 and 1938. The next day was hectic as we were scheduled for a day-long walk through the centre of Prague's Old Town. The most scenic walks that I had ever taken has left an indelible mark on me. We started at Prague Castle, office of the President of Czech Republic and walked through the narrowest of alleyways the city had to offer, finally ending our journey at Charles Bridge where the sunset was a sight for the sore eyes. The following morning, we trekked through the evergreen woods of the Bohemian-Switzerland National Park. The sound of birds chirping and wind rustling through the leaves had a



becalming effect on me. The next day, we took a tour of the city of Bratislava in Slovakia. We also drove down to Vienna, Austria, spending a day at the Prater Amusement Park where we had a gala time riding roller coasters and playing arcade games.

It was finally time to get to the 'exchange' part of the **Student Exchange Programme in Warsaw, Poland**, where our host families received us warmly into their homes for us to spend the following week with them. It was a culturally enriching experience. I realized that even



THE EAGLET

Drawing and Painting Competition

The school hosted the **ASISC AP & Telangana Regional Drawing and Painting Competition**. Eminent artists Mr. Shubash Babu and Mr. Ramana Reddy were invited to adjudicate the entries of the competition. **Nethra Raj** of the school won the senior category. The Vice Principal, Mrs. Latha Shankar, gave away the prizes and the certificates.



SUPW

Inter House Competition

Two contestants from each house in junior and senior categories participated in **flower arrangement, henna designing, recycling to make new products, cooking without fire and hair styling** as part of inter house competition held by the department of SUPW. Mrs. Jyotisree and Mrs. Renu Talwar, faculty of NASR school, adjudicated the competition.



THE EAGLET

Student Exchange Programme

A student exchange programme co-ordinated by the Good Will Society brought HPS, Begumpet and Bednarska Charter High School, Warsaw together to promote cross-cultural experiences through travel expeditions. The interaction was both cultural as well as educative. Families of Students of HPS Begumpet and HPS Ramanthapur hosted 19 students from Warsaw. Discussions on Global issues and education systems were encouraged by the Principals, Mr. Skand Bali and Mr. Bartik Peilak. Apart from playing interactive games, both the schools got to know about the history of their schools. The Hyderabad Public School showcased its rich history through a narrative based on sand art.

HPS students travelled to Poland as part of the European Exchange Program in May this year. The students of both the schools cherish the rapport and the bonding sculpted through this accord.

Prior to this programme, Polish Ambassador, Hon. Adam Burakowski, an alumnus of Bednarska School, had visited and was warmly received by the school as a part of the Goodwill Exchange Programme.

