

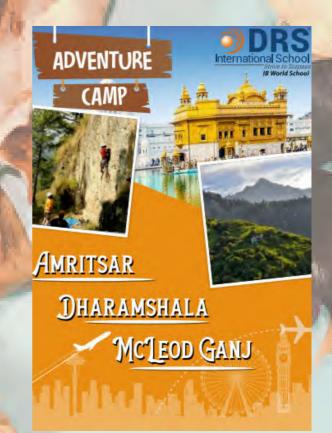
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# JOURNEY BEGINS...



Another month has concluded, and this October was particularly significant for us at DRSIS, resembling a roller coaster of events. The month commenced with students experiencing heightened stress and tension due

to the Half-Yearly Term 1 examinations. Following the exams, the Dussehra vacation commenced, and while many enjoyed their holidays, a select group of students from DRSIS embarked on a school trip.



#### SIDDHARTH OF 9A, CBSE



## MCLEOD GANJ

The students of DRSIS embarked on an exhilarating trek to McLeod Ganj, situated in the scenic landscapes of Himachal Pradesh. This journey was not just about covering distances or reaching a destination; it was about forging stronger bonds with their peers and creating lasting memories. Amidst the serenity of the mountains, the students found moments of joy, laughter, and adventure. They faced challenges together, pushed their physical and mental boundaries, and learned the true essence of teamwork. Beyond the thrill of the trek itself, the students immersed themselves in the local culture, gaining insights into the rich traditions and history of the region. The experience was an amalgamation of adventure, camaraderie, and learning, making it a memorable trip that they will cherish for years to come.







### GOLDEN TEMPLE, AMRITSAR

After their adventurous trek in McLeod Ganj, the students of DRSIS journeyed to the resplendent Golden Temple, situated in Amritsar, Punjab. This iconic structure, gleaming in gold, stands as a testament to India's rich cultural and spiritual heritage. As the students walked around the temple's pristine marble pathways, they were enveloped by an aura of serenity and devotion. They took the opportunity to delve deep into the temple's history, understanding its significance in Sikhism and its role in India's diverse tapestry of faiths. Engaging with the local devotees, the students gained insights into the customs, rituals, and practices associated with the temple. Beyond its architectural marvel, the Golden Temple provided them a gleaming display of beauty.











#### **DHARAMSHALA**

Following their visit to the Golden Temple, the students of DRSIS ventured to Dharamshala, a captivating town nestled amidst the majestic ranges of Himachal Pradesh. Enveloped by aromatic cedar forests on the fringes of the Himalayas, Dharamshala is a tapestry of nature and culture intertwined. This hillside city is not only geographically remarkable but also historically significant as it stands as the residence of the Dalai Lama and serves as the base for the Tibetan government-in-exile.









As the students wandered through its winding streets, they were introduced to a blend of Tibetan and Indian cultures. Monasteries, prayer flags fluttering in the wind, and the melodic chants of monks filled the air, creating an ambience of spirituality and tranquillity. They also took the opportunity to interact with the Tibetan community, understanding their struggles, aspirations, and the deep-rooted traditions that shape their identity. The rich blend of natural beauty and cultural heritage in Dharamshala offered the students an enriching experience, deepening their appreciation for India's diverse and multifaceted landscapes.









#### **WAGAH BORDER**

Next on their itinerary, the students of DRSIS journeyed to the iconic Wagah Border, the symbolic gateway between India and Pakistan. This location is renowned for its mesmerizing flag-lowering ceremony, a daily ritual that showcases the vibrant display of national pride from both nations. As the students witnessed the synchronized parade, feelings of patriotism swelled within them, reaching a crescendo of pride and reverence. The rhythmic cadence of marching boots and the infectious enthusiasm of the crowd instilled a deep sense of belonging and unity.

Beyond the ceremony, the students ventured to explore the historical nuances of the border, creating new memories with friends and teachers. Their time at the Wagah Border was not just a visit; it was an experience that etched indelible memories, rooted in national pride and camaraderie.







The border is not just a geographical demarcation, but a stage for a daily theatrical display of nationalism through its celebrated flag-lowering ceremony. As the students beheld the disciplined precision of the guards and the flamboyant gestures that marked the ceremony, a wave of patriotism washed over them. The booming drums, passionate chants from the spectators, and the vibrant energy of the atmosphere made the experience nothing short of electrifying. Emotions ran high, and the students could palpably feel the fervour and pride resonating amongst the gathered crowds.

Taking a moment to soak in the spectacle, they later wandered around the premises, acquainting themselves with tales of historical significance and the region's profound legacy. Sharing these moments with friends and peers, the students created lasting memories that went beyond mere sightseeing. The Wagah Border, with its mix of spectacle, history, and emotion offered the students an unparalleled journey into the heart of India's patriotic spirit, leaving an indelible mark on their hearts.







## JALLIAN WALA BAGH

When our DRSIS students watched and visited Jallianwala Bagh was a deeply moving and somber experience. The weight of history in this place is palpable, reminding us of the sacrifices made in the struggle for India's independence. It's a stark reminder of the brutality of colonial rule and the resilience of the human spirit. May we never forget the lives lost here and continue to honor their memory by striving for a more just and peaceful world."











## A WONDERFUL TRIP

After an enchanting odyssey through breathtaking locales and moments that felt like whispers from the pages of a storybook, the curtain was drawing to a close on the students of DRSIS's memorable journey. Every step they took, every sight they beheld, was imbued with magic, wonder, and a touch of serendipity. The trip was not merely a geographical voyage; it was a voyage of discovery, camaraderie, and enlightenment.

Each destination unravelled a new tale, each moment solidified bonds, and each experience was a lesson in history, culture, and the richness of India's diverse tapestry. Reflecting on their journey, the students felt a profound sense of gratitude. They had not only explored new horizons but had also woven a rich tapestry of memories that would be cherished for a lifetime. As they prepared to return, their hearts were full - full of stories, laughter, learnings, and a deeper appreciation for the wonders that the world holds. The journey might have reached its culmination, but the stories and experiences they gathered would continue to resonate for years to come.

## TERM-1 EXAMS

The Term-1 exams are finally over! As students put down their final exams paper and walked out the hall, we all breathed a sigh of relief. Exams are of course, a pivotal part of our journey through school. Here are some tips and tricks to make studying easier!

- Start studying early
- Study with a friend
- Review past tests
- Make flashcards
- Do practice questions
- Make notes while you study
- Read through all of your notes
- Take deep breaths and recollect what you learnt
- Test yourself
- Relax and calm yourself

GOOD LUCK FOR IT -3/PT-3 & PRE BOARDS



### **CBSE CLUSTER VII: TABLE TENNIS**







With impressive dedication and gusto, DRS International School hosted the three-day CBSE Cluster VII Table Tennis Championship for the academic session 2023-24 on the 27th, 28th and 29th of October. An enviable number of schools participated from nearby areas and distant places like Visakhapatnam in Andhra Pradesh.

The Opening Ceremony set the tone for the whole event in ambience and décor. The vibrant colours of the flags, banners and festoons created

an atmosphere charged with enthusiasm, competition and sportsmanship. A mesmerizing solo dance performance welcomed the spectators and garnered appreciation from all. The School Song and Prayer for Courage filled all the hearts and minds with a sense of solidarity. Director Shri A. K Agarwal addressed the gathering in due course of time and requested everyone to play in all fairness. He also acknowledged the coaches of all the schools who had come with the participants and thanked them for their best efforts. Our Principal, Mr Shanmugam Paramasivan, charged up the whole ground with his inspiring words and subsequently the competition was declared open with the release of a galaxy of balloons.

Overall, the Opening Ceremony was a grand affair!

## **CBSE CLUSTER VII: TABLE TENNIS**













CBSE Cluster VII (2023) Table Tennis Championship (Telangana & Andhra Pradesh states): DRS International School Sets the Stage for Sporting Excellence!"

Hyderabad, October 27, 2023 — DRS International School, a beacon of vibrancy and prestige, is now the focal point of the sports world as it hosts the highly-anticipated CBSE Table Tennis Cluster VII. This event promises to captivate sports enthusiasts from October 27th to the 29th, 2023. The opening ceremony on the 27th featured a resplendent display, with Directors Mr. AK Agarwal and Mr. Garv Agarwal inaugurated the tournament.

This tournament has drawn an incredible 736 participants from 112 schools in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana, under the experienced leadership of Principal Mr. Shanmugam Paramasivan and Organizing Secretary Mr. Bharath Kumar.

The excitement building for the spectacular closing ceremony on October 29th has reached a fever pitch as the event continues. This spectacular display of athletic prowess is anticipated to come to a triumphant close with the ceremony, where the winners will be duly recognized for their outstanding accomplishments.



















## TEACHERS ASSEMBLY

The first assembly of Term 2 was conducted by the teachers of DRSIS on the bright, sunny morning of the 30th of October. Welcoming the students back, the teachers put together a joyful assembly of updates, news, melodious harmonies and back-to-school reminders. This was truly the perfect wake-up call after the Dusshera holidays!













# PARENT-TEACHER MEETING/ OPEN HOUSE

The DRSIS Parent-Teacher Meeting was conducted on the 28th of October, the best way to allow parents and guardians to get a better understanding of their child's strengths and weaknesses. Report cards were distributed, teachers and parents connected, and a stunning open house was displayed with the hard work of students.



# November begins....

Commercenetic

The sparkling festival of Diwali - where lights outshine the stars!

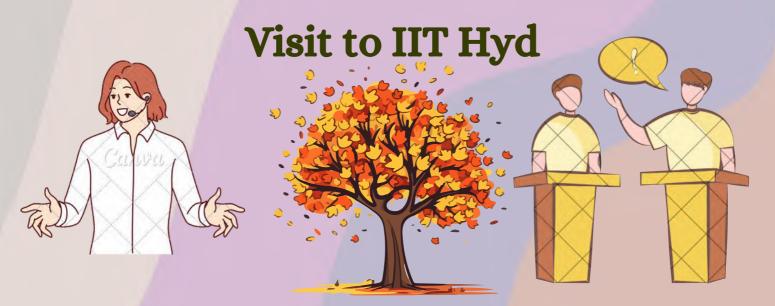


Group singing competition

Club happenings

Science week - Avinya 23

Inter House Debate - Controversy
Unleashed



## DRS COMMERCENETIC



The DRSIS Inter School Commercenetic Event that took place on 4th November 2023, was a smashing success, full of innovation, exploration and new discoveries.

Our Chief guest for the day was Dr. Chandra Sekhar Rajanala, a distinguished Commerce Educator, Financial Literacy Expert, Resource Person for CBSE Board, Ex Chairman ICSI, CMA Chapter Hyd, Ex Dean of Sri Chaitanya CA Academy, Man behind the All India CA-CPT 1st Ranks for 9 consecutive years during his tenure with over 25 yrs of experience in Educating young minds. The inauguration ceremony- began with cutting the ribbon, signifying new beginnings, the highlight of the ceremony was the Welcome dance by Keerthana of Grade 8 CBSE showcasing a beautiful culmination of grace and talent. Shortly after, the real learning with fun began.

With students from school all over the city, notably being Pallavi International school, Hyderabad Public School, and Suchitra Academy and many more













### **Events of Commercenetic**

Market Mayhem- A fantastic way to recycle and sell different products. With an actual marketplace created, students sold their products and earned their revenue.





App Challenge - An innovative way for competitors to showcase their ideas for different apps, creating a user- interface and explaining their motives behind it.

- Rural-le- Carte- A group competition to explore the untapped potential of rural areas, bringing it out to urban audiences.
- Brand race being able to create a brand from scratch in round 1, and participants rebranding in round 2.



## Commercenetic Achievers







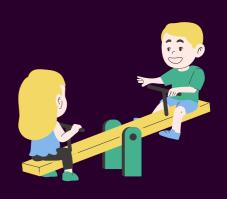
# A JUBILANT CELEBRATION OF THE INNOCENCE AND WONDER OF CHILDHOOD - CHILDREN'S DAY 23

• Children's Day, a day dedicated to celebrating the innocence, laughter, and boundless potential of our youngest members of society, was recently marked with great fervor and enthusiasm at our school. The campus transformed into a vibrant kaleidoscope of colors, echoing with the laughter and cheers of children, as we organized a spectacular Children's Day Fiesta. The teachers dance and the stalls were nothing more than a heartfelt tribute to the joy and wonder that children bring into our lives.









# WHISPERS OF THE ENIGMATIC DRSIS CLUBS

"Botanical Blitz: - Environment club Our Green Guardians went on a campus mission to label every Leaf to unveil the secrets of nature with us – where each label tells a story, and every leaf becomes a lesson. Let's cultivate awareness, one plant at a time!



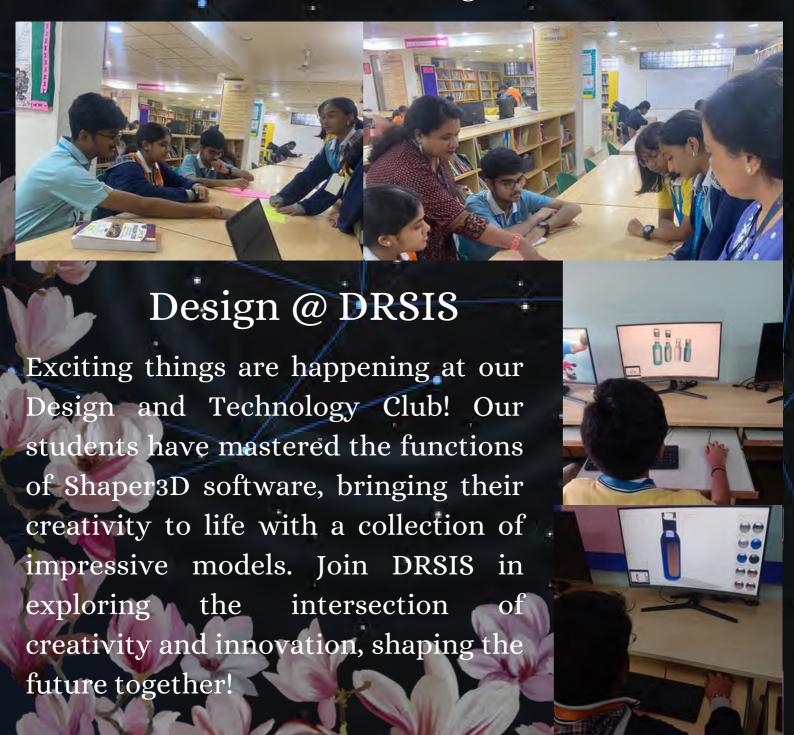
Cuisine club, a haven for budding chefs and food enthusiasts embarked on the journey of making delectable bread rolls. The beauty of bread rolls lies in their simplicity, making them an ideal canvas for various flavors and textures.





Literary Club activity - ENDLESS FABLES aimed to give the students a free rein to unleash their creative prowess through continuous story narration.

Students were given option to choose their own opening lines and by using a creative and collaborative approach, they took turns to complete the chosen story. The interesting interplay of characters, innovative settings and unexpected twists, enlivened the ambience with a lot of learning and fun.



## Sports Champ of the month





A grand triumph at the National Karate Championship held at DPS Mahendra Hills - Swahika Amaram of Grade IX CBSE was crowned with the purest gold.

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In a thrilling and exclusive opportunity, DRSIS students in Grade X to XII, comprising both CBSE and IBDP students, embarked on an unforgettable journey to explore the IIT Hyderabad Campus on November 5, 2023. This engaging campus tour was thoughtfully arranged by the students of the Cepheid Astronomy & Astrophysics Club. Throughout the visit, they passionately detailed the significance of different campus landmarks, including the IITH Tower, Innovation Center, Research Complex, Artificial Lake, and models of department buildings, intricately designed by Japanese architects.

The educational experience continued with a workshop led by Professor Dr. Mayukh Pahari, who enlightened the students about the latest trends in Astronomy, Astrophysics, Space, and potential career pathways. The visit also featured a quiz related to Cosmos & Universe, in which DRSIS students performed exceptionally well and received accolades for their general knowledge.





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## **ALL HANDS MEET**

It was a fantastic way to appreciate the support staff! Imagine turning it into a "Tag of War" game, where each member of the support staff is a crucial player, holding the rope of the school's success. Their collective strength and effort keep everything balanced and moving forward.

Then, a birthday celebration to recognize each staff member individually, highlighting their uniqueness and contributions to the school community. It's a personal touch that shows you see and appreciate them as individuals.

Add in some enjoyed snacks and tea, creating a relaxed and comfortable atmosphere while handing over a Diwali gift. It's the perfect setting for everyone to unwind, chat, and feel the warmth of appreciation. It's a wonderful way to say Thank you to our loving support staff









# Annual Science Week



# DRS AVINYA 23

IDEATE I EVOLVE I TRANSFORM

20 - 24 NOVEMBER' 23



DRS Avinya 23 - Annual Science Week had its Inaugural Ceremony with our distinguished Cheif Guest Prof.N Rajesh - M.Sc & Ph.D (IIT Madras), Senior Professor in Chemistry, BITS Pilani Hyderabad Campus. The Avinya Student Core team lit the Avinya Candles to remove the superstitious darkness still prevailing in the existing society and evolve into a scientifically proven bright future. With an insightful and enlightening speech by our honorable Chief guest and the unveiling of Avinya 23 day wise events, the ceremony had it's wrap!







## **Event 1 - INNOQUEST**

In the pursuit of knowledge and a celebration of scientific curiosity, Avinya hosted an electrifying event that left minds buzzing with excitement — The Science Quiz. This intellectual showdown brought together students, budding scientists, and enthusiasts to showcase their prowess in the realm of scientific exploration. The Science Quiz that took place in four rounds was not just an Inter house competition; it was an ode to the wonders of science and the thrill of discovery.

### **Event 2 - INTER SCHOOL STEM STARS**

Our budding scholars came forward from various schools across the twin cities to enact their favorite scientists through a sci fi role play. Dr. Ritu Karidhal, Sir Ronald Ross & Sir Isaac Newtons role play were a few noted performances











# DE-SCI-PHER The Science of Today is the Technology of Tomorrow"

Expo served as a melting pot for budding scholars from twin cities to showcase the incredible synergy between creativity and scientific exploration. From eco-friendly inventions to AI-driven solutions, these projects reflected the passion and creativity of the next generation of scientists and inventors. This Innovative Science Exhibition proved to be a beacon of inspiration, fostering a deeper appreciation for the wonders of science and technology.

Smart irrigation system, Student crafted high pressure water Gun, Ultrasonic sensor, Innovative Security system, Gas holds its energy forte, Student harness nanotechnology for waterproof worders were few of our student innovations that earnest special recognition.

Undoubtedly the spirit of innovation ignited withis the highest will continue to shape the future of ientific discovery and exploration.

## The Inter School Science Expo Gallery





















# Event 4 - Controversy Unleashed Debate competition

The debate between science and mankind often revolves around the balance between progress and its impact on humanity. Science, as a pursuit of knowledge and understanding through systematic study and experimentation, has brought about incredible advancements that have improved our lives in countless ways but these often come with ethical, societal, and sometimes unforeseen consequences.

The Inter House Debate Competition of DRS Avinya' 23 - Annual Science Week was an absolute forum for a smashing battle between four houses where students actively voiced out to unleash the never ending controversy behind the effect of Scientific advancements on Mankind.













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