



From the desk of the Principal

At DPS Rajkot, we travel that extra mile to create situations where each child gets opportunities to explore to the fullest of his/ her potential, be it in Inter House or Inter School Competitions or other activities conducted by the school. The DPS students stand apart from the rest as conscious and aware members of the society. We try and make sure schooling is an enjoyable and memorable experience for each child.

Dr. Arun Jee

Our Distinguished Visitors

- **Dr. Dalal**, a well-known **Clinical Psychologist**, had an interesting session with the teachers and helped them understand their own potential through a psychological test.
- The judges for **English Rhyme Recitation Competition** (Classes 1 & 2) were **Dr. Madhumita Kaul**, **Dr. Anurag Mathur** (both leading doctors of Rajkot) and **Mr. Nikhil Tolia** (Seen in Picture above - Right to Left).
- The judges for the **Inter House English Recitation Competition** (Classes 3 to 11) were **Mr. Puis Moras**, Education Officer and **Mr. Iqbal Sama**, Rural Education Advancement Programme Officer from Aga Khan Education Service, India.
- For the **Inter House Musical Instrument Recital Competition** the judges were **Mr. Ataa Mohammad Khan** (Sitarist) from Music Academy, Rajkot and **Dr. Ashwin Kumar**, a well known vocalist.
- The **Inter House Table Tennis Competition** was judged by **Mr. Dinesh Chauhan**, well known sports person of Gujarat who had participated in the Asian Games in 2002 and 2003.
- The School's **Scouts and Guide Club** was officially inaugurated by **Mr. Madhavji Tank**, Commissioner, Scouts and Guide, Rajkot.
- **Mrs. Kalpana Kamdar** was the Chief Guest for the **Investiture Ceremony**. (See picture on the right).



Young Achievers

Commendable performance in Software and Seminar Contest

Our students **Rhythm Katira** (Class 9), **Alok Tiwari** (Class 9), **Sanjay Chowdhary** (Class 10) and **Tanmay Singh** (Class 11) under the guidance of their teacher **Ms. Kalpita Ghatalia** stood **4th** in the **Software and Seminar Contest** held in V. M. Public School, Vadodara on 18th July 2005. In all 10 schools from Delhi, Ajmer, Jamnagar and Rajkot had participated. Well done boys! Keep up the good work!

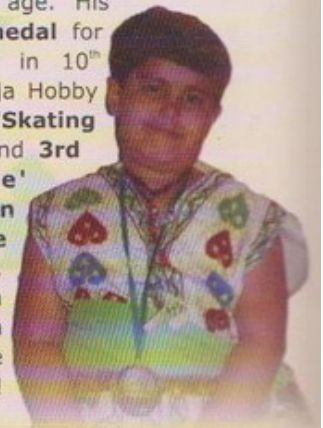
Sagar gets the 4th Position in Swimming

Our students **Shrey Shah** (Class 7-B), **Sagar Parajiya** and **Yash Trivedi** (Class 8) participated in the **Inter DPS Swimming Competition** (West Zone) held at DPS Gandhinagar on 30th July. The team manager and the swimming coach was **Mr. Jay Dave**.

Sagar Parajiya missed the third place in the competition by macro seconds! Better luck next time!

Dancing Sensation

Kapil Motwani (Class 3) enjoys enviable success in the field of dance at a very young age. His achievements include **gold medal** for '**Best dance Performance**' in 10th Annual Fuction (2005) of Pooja Hobby Centre, Rajkot, **1st Prizes** in '**Skating Dance**' and '**Duet Dance**' and **3rd Prize** in '**Group Dance**' Competitions in **Open Saurashtra Dance Competition 2004**. Moreover, he has achieved **3rd Prize** in a **Drawing Competition** organized in Rajkot for the age group-6 to 8 years. Phew! What's next?



Skating Champs

Saurashtra Roller Skating Association had conducted Skating Competitions on 17th and 18th September 2005 in which **Janki Shingala** of **Prep B** got the '**Best Performance Award**' for Free Style Skating, **2nd position** in Pair Skating and **3rd position** in Speed Skating. Another student of **Prep B**, **Kushal Shah** secured the **1st prize** in Relay Skating and **2nd prize** in Free Style Skating. They will now participate in Competitions organized by Gujarat Roller Skating Association and Roller Skating Federation of India. All the best to the little wonders!

• **Excellent performance in ASSET Exam**

Akshay Singh (Class 7-B) received **overall distinguished performance certificate** and **outstanding performance certificate** in English (with 99 percentile) & **Shailee Dixit** (Class 5) received overall **creditable performance certificate** in the Asset Exam conducted from 1st to 5th Aug. 2005 all over India.

❖ **Participation in Inter DPS Competitions/Meets**

Our students participated in the following Inter DPS Competitions :

1. **Inter DPS Swimming Competition** at DPS Gandhinagar on 30th July 2005.
2. **Inter DPS Cricket Tournament** at DPS Jodhpur from 15th August 2005 to 21st August 2005. The participants were **Deepan Avlani** (Captain), **Devesh Mehta** (VC), **Hatim Dhankot**, **Jatin Tarpara**, **Yagnesh Chovatiya**, **Dipen Sarvaiya**, **Siddhartha Gandhi**, **Hasmukh Dobariya** (WK), **Nishant Mehta**, **Manan Thosani** (Class 9), **Abhijeet Jethwa**, **Sagar Parajiyi**, **Mohit Adesara** (Class 8), **Jainam Shah** and **Sumit Shindey** (Class 7). The team manager was **Mr. Umesh Kyada**.
3. **DPS Model United Nations Training Programme** held at DPS R.K. Puram from 12th August 2005 to 14th August 2005 conducted by **Ms. Glenda Tesalona** and **Ms. Melissa Yahre** of **UNA-USA** was attended by **Tanmay Singh** (Class 11), **Shashank Patel** (Class 10) as Student Representatives and **Mrs. Gayatri Moras** as Teacher Advisor.
4. **Inter DPS Chairman's Annual Debate** was held at DPS Ahmedabad on 9th September 2005. The participants were **Meenakshi Sharma** (Class 11), **Mahavir Gida** and **Sumeet Motwani** (Class 10). **Mrs. Gayatri Moras** had accompanied them.

❖ **Competitions (Classes 1st & 2nd)**

English Handwriting Competition

Date : 7th July 2005

Winners :

Std 1-A	First : Dhruvil Marthak
Std 1-B	First : Krutika Papat
Std 1-C	First : Poorva Thakkar
Std 1-A	First : Sumedh Desai
Std 1-B	First : Tanya Dewan

Hindi Handwriting Competition

Date : 28th July 2005

Winners :

Std 1-A	First : Siddhartha Maniar
Std 1-B	First : Jaideep Jadeja
Std 1-C	First : Yash Vasani
Std 1-A	First : Manvita Sanchela
Std 1-B	First : Karina Thadeshwar

English Recitation Competition

Date : 21st July 2005

Winners :

Std 1-A	First : Lakshya Kumar
Std 1-B	First : Het Patel
Std 1-C	First : Nandinee Makwana
Std 1-A	First : M.V. Vivek
Std 1-B	First : Tanya Dewan

Apart from this, **Rakhi making competition**, **Lemon and Spoon Race**, **English Spelling Contest**, **Leaf Printing and Solo Dance Competitions** were held in which the best three entries in each were declared winners.

The first prize winners of **Rakhi Making Competition** were **Mayank**, **Het**, **Twisha Shah**, (Class 1) **Jinal**, **Hem**. (Class 2)

The first prize winners of **Lemon and Spoon Race Competition** were **Laksya**, **Het**, **Nandinee Shah**, (Class 1) **Meet**, **Rohan** (Class 2)

The first prize winners of **English Spelling Contest** were **Siddhartha**, **Satvik**, **Kartik** (Class 1) **Manvita**, **Abhay** (Class 2)

The first prize winners of **Leaf Printing Competition** were **Manav**, **Aditi**, **Presha** (Class 1). **V.Vivek**, **Hem** (Class 2)

The first prize winners of **Solo Dance Competition** were **Yashvi** (Class 1) **Harshavardhan** (Class 2).

❖ **Inter House Competitions (Classes 3-11)**

English Recitation Competition

Date : 7th July 2005

Winners :

Group A : III - V

First - **Manika Dayal** - Jhelum
Second - **Neel Bhimani** - Ganga

Group B : VI - VIII

First - **Parth Trivedi** - Jhelum
Second - **Neel Bhimani** - Ganga

Group C : IX - XI

First - **Nirav Ghedia** - Jhelum
Second - **Abhinav Sharma** - Narmada

Musical Instrument Recital Competition

Date : 14th July 2005

Winners :

Group A : III - V

First - **Ninad Joshi** - Jhelum
Second - **Rohil Shah** - Narmada

Group B : VI - VIII

First - **Harshit Maniar** - Jhelum
Second - **Harshvardhan Gadhvi** - Narmada

Group C : IX - XI

First - **Hemlata** - Ganga
Second - **Nishant Mehta** - Narmada

Short Play (Classes 3 to 5)

Date : 28th July 2005

Winners :

Best Play

Yamuna House

Best Performance

Girl - **Vidhi** - Narmada
Boy - **Daivat Bhatt** - Yamuna



Table Tennis Competition

Date : 28th July 2005

Winners :

Group B : VI - VIII

First - **Mitul Nathwani** - Jhelum
Second - **Parth Trivedi** - Narmada

First - **Urja Patel** - Ganga
Second - **Priyanka Mehta** - Narmada

Group C : IX - XI

First - **Hasmukh Dobariya** - Narmada
Second - **Aman Sharma** - Yamuna

First - **Kaushalya Fofandi** - Narmada
Second - **Hemlata Bhenshala** - Ganga



Solo Dance Competition

Date :

Winners :

Group A : III - V

First - **Amee Parekh** - Jhelum
Second - **Akshada Eashwar** - Yamuna

Group B : VI - VIII

First - **Anmol Chandwani** - Jhelum
Second - **Urja Patel** - Ganga

Group C : IX - XI

First - **Hiten Parmar** - Ganga
Second - **Komal Thakkar** - Narmada



Apart from this, **Poster Making Competition, Hindi Creative Writing** and **Best out of Waste Competitions** were held in the months of August and September, where the best three performers in each class were declared as winners. The first prize winners in **Poster Making Competition** were **Bela, Hiren, Esha (Class 3), Divyaraj (Class 4), Binita (Class 5), Bhargavi (Class 6), Nilam, Aparajita (Class 7), Aditi (Class 8), Nikita (Class 9), Mahavir (Class 10), Abhilasha (Class 11).**

The first prize winners in **Best out of Waste Competition** were **Akshada, Devansh, Rutvi (Class 3), Krupali (Class 4), Shivangi (Class 5), Riddhi (Class 6), Devi, Abhay (Class 7), Sumit (Class 8), Parth (Class 9), Milee (Class 10), Bhagyesh (Class 11).**

The first prize winners in **Hindi Creative Writing Competition** were **Shreya, Manika, Prachi (Class 3), Jeet (Class 4), Neel (Class 5), Riddhi (Class 6), Priyanka Mehta, Akshay (Class 7), Nidhi (Class 8), Abhinav (Class 9), Paritosh (Class 10), Utkarsh (Class 11).**

❖ *Teachers' Training Workshops*

Teachers at DPS Rajkot are constantly encouraged to update themselves and given opportunities to attend training programmes. Our teachers attended the following Training Workshops :

1. **Ms. Kalpita Ghatalia** attended the **Computer Science Workshop** at DPS Haridwar from 12th August to 15th August 2005.
2. **Mr. Piyush Malani** attended the **Physical Education Workshop** at DPS Gurgaon from 13th August to 16th August 2005.

3. **Ms. Arpana Farmer** and **Ms. Bidisha Sarkar** attended a **Health Seminar** at DPS Jodhpur on 18th August 2005.
4. **Ms. Jayshree Limbasiya** attended the **Library Workshop** at DPS Mathura in September 2005.

❖ *Parents' Teachers' Meetings*

P.T.Ms were held in the school as follows:

1. P.T.M. for Classes 1 and 2 and Class 10 on 23rd July, 2005.
2. P.T.M. for Classes 3 to 9 and Class 11 on 30th July, 2005.
3. P.T.M. for Classes Pre Nursery and Nursery - Prep on 3rd August, 2005 and 6th August 2005 respectively.
4. P.T.M. and Report Card distribution for Pre Primary Section on 3rd September, 2005.
5. P.T.M. and Report Card distribution (for the Weekly Tests in the First term) for Classes 3 to 11 on 10th September, 2005.



❖ *Participation in National & International Exams/Contests*

Our students participated in the following Competitive Exams and Contests :

1. **Asset Exam** in August 2005.
2. **Cyber Olympiad** in August 2005.
3. **International Assessment for Indian Schools, New South Wales University, Australia** in Sept. 2005.
4. **C.B.S.E. Heritage Quiz Contest** at K.D. Ambani School, Jamnagar (Written Exam Round). **Jiten Doshi** and **Vikrant Jadeja (Class 10)** and **Rhythm Katira (Class 9)** were selected for the same.

❖ *Visits and Field Trips*

The Pre Nursery and Prep had a visit to the **Balaji Wafers Factory Ltd.** Nursery and Prep visited the **Aji Zoo** on 26th July 2005 and 13th September 2005 respectively and learnt about the different animals.

Classes 9 to 11 visited the **IDBI Bank** in July and got the knowledge of the various transactions in the bank, the working of the ATM and so on. (See picture above)

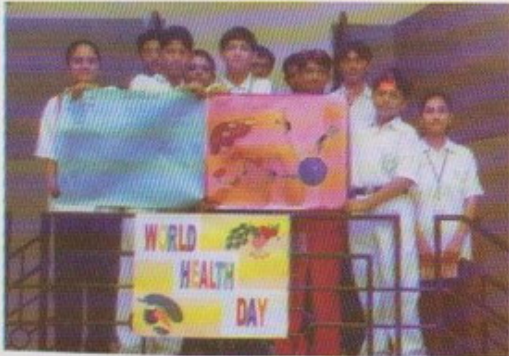
Classes 3 to 8 visited the **General Post Office, Rajkot** in the month of July and got a first hand experience of how the Postal Department works tirelessly to deliver the letters and other things to people.

Classes 1 and 2 had a picnic to **Nyari Dam** on 31st August 2005.

The students of **Class 9** also visited a leading **Homeopathy College of Rajkot** in the month of September.



❖ Malaria Eradication Week



In the wake of the recent rains, the city of Rajkot witnessed the spread of Dengue and Malaria. The school declared 25th July to 30th July as **Malaria Eradication Week**. The students of each class prepared charts and posters related to prevention of Malaria. The students of Class 10 presented a skit in the assembly related to the theme.

❖ Janmashtami Celebrations

The school looked colourful on 25th August 2005 as the students of Preprimary Section and Classes 1 and 2 came in traditional outfits, listened to the stories of Krishna and performed '**Raas-Garba**' to celebrate '**Janmashtami**' in their own inimitable style.



❖ Investiture Ceremony

The members of the **Students' Council** 2005-2006 took their oaths and received their badges by the hands of **Mrs. Kalpana Kamdar**, the wife of Our Pro Vice Chairman, **Shri Rajendra Kamdar**. The students are **Pulkit Rathi** (Head Boy), **Ankita Suraiya** (Head Girl), **Nirav Ghedia** (Vice Head Boy), **G.N. Nimilitha** (Vice Head Girl), **Sunny Sheth** and **Meenakshi Sharma** (Cultural Secretaries), **Sagar Lunagariya** and **Kaushalya Fofandi** (Sports Secretaries), **Nirav Khara** (Literary Secretary), **Ashish Goel** (Environment Secretary) and the House Captains - **Rishabh Dhruv** and **Hemlata** (Ganga House), **Vivek Bhanvadia** and **Divya Nathwani** (Jhelum House), **Sumeet Motwani** and **Milee Kamdar** (Yamuna House) and **Nirav Solanki** and **Komal Thakkar** (Narmada House).

❖ Cooking without fire for fathers !

A unique competition for the fathers of pre primary students was organized in the school on 17th September 2005. The Chief Guest was **Mr. Hitesh Virani** from Balaji Wafers and special guest was **Mrs. Bandana**. The judges were **Mr. Kailash Bhindora**, PRO of Silver Palace Hotel, **Mr. Sanjay Kotak** of Anand Snacks & **Mrs. Sejal Desai** who



runs a cookery class. The winners were **Mr. Naresh Tabhani** (Father of Sharvin Tabhani), **Mr. Bhavesh Doshi** (Father of Mansi Doshi) and **Mr. Ketan Pavagadhi** (Father of Kajal Pavagadhi). Balaji Wafers sponsored the gifts.

❖ Teachers' Day Celebrations

The students had prepared a special programme for the teachers on the **Teachers' Day** after which the teachers had a get together where they had games and activities. The students taught the classes that day and the teachers had a day entirely to themselves.

❖ Health/Dental Check Up

Dr. Bimal Vasani, Dr. Kishore Rathod, Dr. Ravi Murg, Dr. Mehul Lalsatta, Dr. Vithlani (Doctors of Indian Dental Association) conducted a dental check up of students on 26th September 2005. **Colgate India** had sponsored a toothbrush and toothpaste each for the students and staff. Moreover **Dr. Suhasini Easwar** conducted a general health check up for Classes 1 and 2 on 29th September 2005.

❖ Helping hand to those in need

1. Each student from Class 1 onwards contributed at least Rs.15 for helping the victims of the recent floods in Gujarat. **A noble gesture indeed!**
2. The students also purchased flags and collected Rs.1950/- on the occasion of '**National Flag day**' for the blind.

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This Newsletter has been edited by the following students of Class 11 with the help of their teacher **Mrs. Gayatri Moras**.

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2. Kaushalya Fofandi
3. Ankita Suraiya
4. Sagar Lunagariya
5. Tanmay Singh
6. Utkarsh Chowdhary

THANK YOU..!

