

Summerfield Times 2014-15

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From the Editor's Desk

Every year our students have valuable experiences by taking part in numerous challenging and exciting activities and events that help them learn and grow as capable human beings. We realized that a part of developing as well rounded individuals, our students must also understand the importance of giving back to society. This year, alongside academic accomplishments,

our students were engaged in many social projects, whereby they brainstormed ideas, took initiatives, engineered and executed their plans brilliantly. This deep involvement with work beyond their syllabus gives them a different perspective on life, and allows them to realize that education extends far beyond just textbooks and classrooms; because the more we educate

ourselves, the more capable we are of contributing to society and inspiring others towards progress and sustainable development of a better world. We hope you enjoy this overview of our action-packed, fun-filled 2014-15 session, and stay involved for our exiting plans for the coming year.

Shehreen Husain

Raising Donation for

Nepal

Students made posters and slogans to raise awareness about the tragedy, and collected funds and donated from their own pocket money. Credit goes to Ms. Tahsin for contacting the Nepal embassy and the students for organizing the fundraiser enthusiastically, raising a total of 1 lac 40 thousand taka to help those in need.



Lending A Helping Hand

Bosilla

The deputy director, Dr. Mahfuz requested us to help a government primary school located in Bosilla to upgrade their quality of education. The school consisted of children from poorer socio economic backgrounds, whose parents were mainly rickshaw pullers, day laborers and van drivers. Our senior students and teachers volunteered to teach the children. We invited them to our school along with their teachers and also arranged a friendly cricket match, which they won (as Tonmoy, our Bosilla coordinator played on their side!). One of our senior students, Angelina recounts her experience there as a volunteer teacher,

"The best thing I could ever experience, was teaching there. They, for me, show that the game of life may strip us of riches and opportunities, but it can never take away the freedom to dream, to aspire and to aim. All I could give them was a listening ear and a little bit of my knowledge, but what they gave to me was so much more. They gave me things that one cannot learn from textbooks or words, but only by giving with an open heart and mind to others. I hope that they all achieve their dreams someday."



Faizi Chowdhury Memorial Education Programme

The children of support staff are supported for their education, nutrition and health. Some success stories are: Kamal's daughter achieving first class in Electrical Engineering from RUET, Taher's son, achieving GPA 5 in his Shomaponny exam from Bogra.

Talking Care of the Environment



The children learned to reuse and recycle different things that we usually throw away such as recycled bottles and cans to make pencil holders and empty boxes to do craft work. We also avoid using paper products to save trees. Did you know that one ton of recycled paper saves seventeen trees? Try using handkerchiefs and napkins all through your life instead of tissue paper-you'll save many trees!

The children planted trees themselves and went on a nature walk at Crescent Lake and Dhanmondi Lake. Children came close to nature, and helped remove litter and clean up the area.



Duke of Edinburgh

Award

The world's leading youth achievement award. Students take part in a rigorous programme consisting of community service, sports, needlework, cooking, debate, and will end with an exciting adventurous journey. As a part of the programme, they also coordinate a free school for the underprivileged (including our staff children) teaching them etiquette, hygiene, computing, sports, and English. They also organized winter clothes distribution and food distribution programmes this year. Students who take part in this programme enrich their learning through a multitude of activities, and are able to add another deeper dimension to their development.



DEA Night



Book Month

The school had a month long inter class reading competition which culminated in selection of Best Readers from class one to eight. As a special reward they were taken to the young learners centre in the British Council Library. The British Council staff did various fun activities with them. Later on the children were awarded certificates and gifts.



Recipients of Edexcel High Achievers Award



Every year our students receive this award for achieving seven or more grades in one sitting.



Summerfield Debate Festival

Recently our Summerfield Student Council and Debate Club hosted an exciting Debate Festival. The competition comprised of eleven prestigious schools and fourteen different teams in a competitive two day event.

World Schools Debate Championship 2015

Summerfield student Shamsul Naved Nafees outdid over 500 students and then a grueling national camp to be named a debater for the Bangladesh National Team at the World Schools Debate to be held in Singapore. Taosif Amin Khan, a Summerfield alumni and school debate coach, has been chosen as the coach for the National Team.



The Daily Star AWARD

Every year, local newspaper company "The Daily Star" commends the outstanding achievers by awarding them the prestigious Daily Star Award, and every year, a great number of proud students represents Summerfield School.

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