



From the Principal's Desk

The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams as they command thoughts, liberate energy and inspire hope.

Dear Parents,

April saw the PYP blocks buzzing with activity as they prepared for their Leadership Summit which was held from 17th to 20th April. All grades followed the umbrella concept of Equality and showcased their development of leadership attributes and competencies which they had learnt throughout the year. Each grade chose to inquire into 'Equality' through different lenses. Prep 1 chose to showcase 'Equality through Sustainability' while Prep 2 chose to showcase Equality through 'Unique Mix of Strengths'. The focus for Grade 1 was 'Different with our unique skills, yet equal'; while for Grade 2, it was 'Equality through Peace'. The upper Primary grades chose deep lenses like 'Equality through Respect' by Grade 3 and 'Equality in Focus' by Grade 4. The students graduating the Primary Years Programme, exhibited their understanding of Equality through nine sub topics like Gender Equality, Education for all, Ageism, Religious Equality, Racial Equality, Differently-abled, Power, Economic Disparity and Children's Rights.

It was an enriching journey through which the students introspected on beliefs and values. Their ILEDs addressed issues that touched them and also suggested solutions for the same. There were Monologues, Dances, Drama and Music which enabled the students to exhibit their leadership competencies. The whole leadership journey was shared by each grade providing evidences of meaningful and enriching engagements. Students maintained a journal which contained their process of involvement and their reflection on the same.

The PYP Action team discussed the importance of protecting the Earth. They explored different wonders of mother Earth by researching information in www.wonderopolis.com and had inquiry sessions on the ozone layer, compost, going green, and the importance of rainforests. To this end, the theme of Mufti Day was earth colors.

The IB DP students interacted with the admissions staff from the American University in Washington, York University, University of Toronto, Barnard University, Brown University, Columbia University and University of Chicago. Indus played host to an Open night for Princeton University, Duke and Northwestern Universities. The Indus Placement Counselors participated in a special event hosted by New York University - Abu Dhabi to build upon Indus' existing relationship with NYUAD. Good Luck to the students taking the SAT exams on May 4. The next test date for SAT is June 1.

The Back to School Test in Math and English was held on 8th April 2013 for Grades 6 upward.

An IGCSE Orientation Programme for the parents and students of Grade 8 was held on 23rd April. The Time Table and Syllabus Focus for the Final Examination due to commence from 27th May 2013 was sent to the MSP parents on 12th April. The ACER Exam Results were announced and reports were handed over to the students on 24th April. There has been a marked improvement in the Mathematical literacy and Reading levels as compared to the last year's report. Grades 5, 6 and 7 have shown an improvement of 15-20% in Mathematical literacy and there is has been an overall improvement of 10% in the Reading level.

The Intensive Revision classes for Grades 10 and 12 went as per schedule from 08th April to 18th April.

Support classes after school and extra classes during the PE/ Activity/ CAS/Assembly/ Leadership curriculum periods have been scheduled, to make up for the Orchestra practices for Grades 6 upward.

Grade 6 went on their Leadership Camp to the Indus School of Leadership, Yelagiri from 14th to 17th April 2013. The camp which is a part of our school-wide Leadership Curriculum is aimed at developing certain leadership competencies and skills in our budding leaders. A total of 64 students from Grade 6 A, B & C attended the camp. We are confident that this experience away from home for 4 days has been a good learning experience that has brought out a lot of confidence and independence to work as a team. This was followed by the third batch of Grade 11 students who went on

their camp from 21st to 24th April and from 25th to 29th, a small group of Grade 9 students who had missed their camp due to Orchestra and Choir practices.

We conducted an Inter house football tournament for the students from Grade 6 to 8 on 20th and 21st of March and the results are as follows:

SL.NO	HOUSE	PLACE
1	Pegasus	Winners
2	Phoenix	Runner Up
3	Hercules	3rd Place
4	Orion	4th Place

A Soccer and Basketball exposure match was organized by Indus with Delhi Public School – East for the Boys of Grade 6 and below on 26th April. Please refer Appendix I for the details of the Team.

Grade 12 won by 2-1, in the Farewell Football match on 15th April with Grade 11 and Grade 10 beat Grade 9, 1-0, in the Farewell Football match on 19th April.

In a one-day chess event organized by Rainbow Club, Malleswaram on 7th April for children Under-10, Ritvik Nama of Grade 2, stood first by winning a gold.

In the Interschool Chess Championship held in the Phoenix Mall on 6th and 7th April Prakruthi Pradeep of Grade 6 Won the Under -14 Girls Category and received a trophy and a gift voucher worth Rs. 16,200/- of Club Mahindra and Gini and Jony. We also won the Best School Award having competed against 32 schools.

The Boarders have had exciting weekend activities. Grades 6 to 8 had a memorable experience on 20th April when they visited the ISCKON Temple at Rajajinagar, the biggest in the world. They were awe struck by its sheer grandeur and magnificence.

In the evening of the same day Grades 9 and 11 watched the play “Inherit the Wind” by Jerome Lawrence and Robert E L, based on a real life case in 1925 when two great lawyers argue a case against a school teacher for teaching evolution in class. The Boarders in two batches also went on a Bangalore Walk on 27th and 28th April and learnt about a section of the city through the ages. This experience allowed them to learn about the Medieval and Victorian times in Bangalore.

As we walk into May, the focus will continue to be on Academics. Rigorous revision will help students prepare for the Final Examination. The IBDP Examination and IGCSE are scheduled to start in the first week of May. We wish our students the best of luck and we are confident that their hard work will be seen in the good results that are expected.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sarojini Rao", with a horizontal line drawn through the middle of the signature.

Mrs. Sarojini Rao

Principal

Indus International School, Bangalore

**Indus Sub-Junior Basketball Team who played with Delhi
Public School, Bangalore East:**

SL No	NAME	Grade
1	Akhil Sagarank	3 B
2	Naeem M Saleem	4 D
3	Shrikar Chakravarthy	4 A
4	Pranav	4 A
5	Siddarth Chakravarthy	5
6	Ritesh Jatin Kolli	5 A
7	Pretheveraj A	5 A
8	Tanay Reddy	5 A
9	Yohaam Dalal	6 A
10	Antonin Dumas	6 C
11	Kiran David Hendrian	6 C
12	Yong ju kim	6 B

Indus Sub-Junior Foot Ball Team who played with Delhi Public School, Bangalore East:

SL NO	NAME	GRADE
1.	Darshan Hari	6 B
2.	Augustin Boulard	6C
3.	Kavel Mavadia	6C
4.	Rahul Raju Thadhani	6C
5.	Anish V Kasimsetty	6C
6.	Jason dodani	6C
7.	Tejas R Shastri	6B
8.	Srikrith Poddar	6A
9.	Paul Dumas	5C
10.	Aashrya Rajbhandari	5B
11.	Aspjorn	5C
12.	Thomas Sebastiaan Jansen	4A
13.	Aaditya Samant	4D
14.	Aniruddh Sindhu	4A
15.	Lucas Fabart	4B
16.	Till Georg Vollmar	4C

17.	Shiv Terada	3C
18.	Riu Terada	3B
19.	Chanwoo Kim	3A
20.	Rohan Chatterjee	3B