

Sep/Oct 2019

# Peep into the first Junior School

Gr & Jr 1 & 2 (CBSE/IGCSE)

#### Orientation Gr 1 & 2 27/09/2019

A parent is a teacher at home, a teacher is a parent in school and the child is the centre of our universe."

The Orientation for the parents was held in the school premises. This comes after the routine Orientation already conducted in April '19. The aim was to familiarize the parents with the new management, rules and regulations of the school, teaching methodologies and the co-scholastic activities.

Ms. Thulakshana was the master of ceremony. After a short welcome address, Ms. Sharmila introduced the new Principal—Ms. Saleema Mahmoodi, to the parent body present there. This was followed by a short and humble address by the Principal who shared her vision for the school. Our headmistress, Ms. Doret Watt, also addressed the parents briefly, after which, the Formative stage and Key stage Supervisor –Ms. Diba Siddique introduced herself and expressed the need for parents and school to work together for the betterment of the students entrusted in our care.

The orientation programme ended on a good note with an aim of helping our children to grow into happy, skillful and creatively well- adjusted citizens.





## Indian Teacher's Day

"Let us remember: One book, one pen, one child, and one teacher can change the world. Malala Yousafzai

The students of Grade 2 celebrated Teacher's Day on 5<sup>th</sup> Sept.'19. They learnt about the late President of India- Dr. S Radhakrishnan who was also a great teacher, through an informative video for children.

The students then expressed their love and respect for all teachers in the form of cards. They presented a card to Ms. Doret Watt-our headmistress and expressed their love in various creative ways.

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#### World Literacy Day

"Education is the most powerful weapon with which you can change the world. ~Nelson Mandela

All students enjoyed World Literacy Day with an activity to learn more about the people of other countries and be able to appreciate the wealth of various languages. Children were excited to dress up in the costumes of their favourite cartoon or story book characters. There were smiles all around as the little ones of FS and KS presented themselves in front of the leaders of the school and the grandparents who were invited for the day. It was indeed a day of colour and joy as each child spoke a couple of lines about their favourite story time characters.

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### Choral Recitation Gr 2

"Music expresses that which cannot be said and on which it is impossible to be silent."-Victor Hugo

The assembly area was reverberating with the sounds of grade 2 as they presented their humourous poems during the Choral Recitation presentation on 29<sup>th</sup> Sept.'19. Parents and senior leadership team members could witness the fervour in which the second graders recited the poems in unison-with adequate facial expression and voice modulation. They were visibly excited to mount the steps on stage and show off their oratory skill inspite of the warm weather! Kudos to orators of the future!



### Birds feeding 03/10/2019

"I don't feed the birds because they need me; I feed the birds because I need them." — Kathi Hutton

An assembly was conducted to enlighten students on feeding birds and to enhance character and morality as per the curriculum of the UAE Moral Education.

The students enacted a play where a bird had lost its home as a result of deforestation. The bird then built a new home in the Our Own School garden.

Students enjoyed themselves taking part and witnessing an assembly on the importance of feeding birds and taking care of every living being around them.



#### Active learning

"Student engagement is the product of motivation and active learning. It is a product rather than a sum because it will not occur if either element is missing."

— Elizabeth F. Barkley,

Active learning is an approach to instruction in which all students are asked to engage in the learning process.

Students of OOF engage in small and large activities centered around writing, talking, problem solving, or reflecting.

Students enjoy learning through hands on activities in order to grasp different concepts in different subjects.





# Have a great October....

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