

# **Queen Mary's School**

### Northend, Model Town, Delhi

Highlights June & July 2020



## **Inter School Competitions**

25.6.20: The students of classes I to V participated in the event, '*Rainbow- Unleash Your Talent*' (A series of Inter School Competitions), organized by P.P. International School, Pitampura with zeal and fervor. The multi-talented students, under the guidance and direction of educators of our esteemed institution, showcased their talent by their untiring efforts. They presented their exemplary performance with sincerity and diligence. It is truly said that the one who is dedicated, persistent and diligent in her performance wins at the end.

The results of these competitions are as follows:

Name of Participant	Class & Sec	Activity/Event	Competition	Position Secured
Tanayyah Kaur	3-A	Bibbiddi Boboodi Boo	La Danse	2nd
Akshita Singh	5-A	Quave 'N Chant	Chirp 'N Warble	2nd

Shinaya Sharma	1-A	Jingle Mingle	Linguistique Competences
Yati Gupta	1-B	Opera Chanson	Chirp 'N Warble
Moheen Nirankari	1-B	Let's Adore – Beauty Surrounding Us	Arte Corazon
Samaira Jain	<b>4-</b> C	Reform-O-Art – Education Through Technology	Arte Corazon
Antonia Nichita	<b>4-D</b>	Chronicle – A Mythological Story (Story Narration)	Linguistique Competences

The students participated in the event *Exuberance 2020* organized by *Lancer's Convent Sr. Sec. School, Prashant Vihar, Rohini.* The teachers worked as a team to prepare students for a fresh learning experience through the online platform. Amidst this uncertain scenario of lockdown, Schools are able to find new ways to reach out to the students without any gap in their learning.

Name	Class & Sec	Activity/Event	Competition	
Kyna Aggarwal	2-B	Mom Read Out To Me!!!	Story Narration Enactment	
Nivriti	3-D	My Lockdown Masterpiece	Craft-Created Desk Organizer	
Noor Pasricha	5-E	Winds of Change	Created animated Comic Strip on effects of COVID - 19	







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## **Webinars and Workshops**

**2.6.20: Competency Based Education:** *Hindi Webinar was organized* for the Hindi educators of classes 1 to 5. The workshop emphasized in designing learning outcomes based on activities and projects. The Webinar also focused on competency based learning & learning outcomes by implementing interesting activities according to the age group.

**3.6.20: Storytelling:** The school organized *Live Storytelling Session* for Reading Club members of class V. The Resource Person was Dr. Sherline Pimenta, Master storyteller at Kathanika. The session was very interesting and interactive. Students thoroughly enjoyed the session.

**4.6.20**: **Five minutes activities to jumpstart your online class**: The Webinar organized by *Cambridge University Press* for the educators. The Resource Person Ms. Sujata Paul explained and shared very useful links that the educators can use to make their online class more interesting for students. It was an enriching experience.

**4.6.20: Online Library Orientation session from BCL**: The Webinar was held for the members of British Council Library on *How to use the Resources of the Library*. The Resource Person was Ms. Payal Chawla. The session was very informative.

**4.6.20: Classes Beyond Rooms:** The English Webinar was organized by *Cambridge University Press* for the educators. The workshop gave novel ideas to make the online teaching session full of fun for children. The Webinar focused on the English online activities which would help the teachers in boosting creativity, concentration, spellings, vocabulary, etc. among the students and would also help students to learn English in a natural way like using the three V's (visual, verbal and vocal skills), many ESL activities such as PELMANISM, FUN TONGUE TWISTERS, MAGICAL ANECDOTES, etc.; were suggested to make the English teaching- learning interactive and interesting.

**9.6.20:** National Webinar on Being Healthy: Dr. Dhananjay Shaw (Principal, IGIPESS ) and Dr. Vijay (MBBS, Ex Medical Officer, CRPF) hosted a Webinar on *Being Healthy*, jointly organized by *Indira Gandhi Institute of Physical Education and Sports Sciences* and *The Department of Physical Education, Bhaskaracharya College of Applied Sciences*. The learned experts elaborated on how a disciplined regime of balanced diet and regular exercise boosts immunity and keeps us healthy. The extremely informative Webinar laid special emphasis on drinking plenty of water daily and consuming a protein rich diet.



**10.6.20:** Physical & Mental Health Performance Enhancement During Lockdown: Guru Nanak Dev Department of Physical Education and Sports, Khalsa College, New Delhi organized a National Webinar on Physical and Mental Performance Enhancement during lockdown. Professor Vikram Singh explained effects of meditation and chanting mantras on our mental performance. Mr. Rajeev Choudhury showed how exercise enhanced physical performance. Professor Arvind Malik explained how ayurvedic medicines help in enhancing immunity.

**12.06.20: Scientific Temperament:** The aim of the EVS Webinar was to encourage students to ask questions, to seek their own answers, to inculcate curiosity. The session focused on developing the spirit of enquiry and reform in children. The speaker suggested ways how to incorporate it in child's mindset.

**13.6.20:** Continuous Professional Development: The Webinar was organized by *Oxford University Press*. It gave a glimpse of education through e-learning. The Webinar was beneficial for educators as it emphasized on making virtual Teaching-Learning interesting. It also focused on Blended Learning Model in order to make the subjects integrated and easy for students to understand.

**13.6.20:** Artificial Intelligence Unplugged: The Webinar was organized by AdmitKard. The Resource Person was Mr. Dheeraj Bhatia, Mr. Piyush Bhartiya, Ms. Gurpreet Kaur. It was an online learning journey tailored to makes us understand the complexities of Artificial Intelligence with practical case studies.

**17.6.20: Implementation of Art Integrated Learning in English:** The English Webinar was very informative as it explained the benefits of integrating various art forms with English. This integration is important as it would help the children to understand the context and make learning fun at the same time.

#### **18.6.20 & 19.6.20: Fit India Awareness programme by CBSE in collaboration with Sports Authority of India (SAI):** The Webinar was organized for two days:

**Day 1:** Awareness Programme by CBSE in collaboration with Sports Authority of India under the Khelo India National Fitness Programme. The Webinar was hosted by Mr Sujit Panigrahi, Mrs Neeraj Ritu Singh, and Mr Ravi Raj. The four of the panellist elaborated about how to do training and assessment of physical education teacher & coaches. They explained the role of fit India mission and made the teachers, students and parents aware of the importance of good health and fitness.

Day 2: Topic covered: Rules of Khelo India Battery Test (Age group 5-8 yrs)

- 1. BMI: weight/height.
- 2. STATIC BALANCE: flamingo Balance Test.
- 3. COORDINATION TEST: Plate Tap

An efficient and effective process to know about the assessment process and talent identification road map.



**20.6.20**: Webinar on the role of Academic Libraries in the promotion of Reading Habits by Dr. Basheerhamad Shadrach from PN Panicker Foundation- On the occasion of *National Reading Day* on 19th June, *PN Panicker Foundation* conducted many Webinars and activities for students. This Webinar specially organized for the school librarians focused on how to promote reading habits among students.

**20.6.20: Ancient Indian Vedic Mathematics-** The Webinar organized by Cosmic Maths emphasized on the use of Vedic Maths for quicker calculation. Vedic Maths engage every learner with a sense of achievement, while offering conceptual challenges for motivation and encourages Critical and Creative thinking.

**20.6.20: Space and Science Technology-** The workshop was organized by Mind Mapperz with the aim to make the teachers aware about, how to inspire students towards SPACE SCIENCE with the help of an activity based programme which included many activities based on the Aerodynamics.

**22.6.20: Understanding and Implementation of Art Integrated Learning (AIL):** A Webinar for English Educators was organized which emphasized on the integration of English language teaching with different types of Art forms such as Poetry, Collages and Craft so that abstract concepts become concrete for the students.

**22.6.20: CBSE Webinar on Storytelling as a Pedagogy** -The Webinar was conducted by COE West. The Resource Person was Ms. Manisha Sharma who explained how we can relate any subject by using Storytelling as a teaching tool to make students understand more deeply with his/her imaginations.

**23.6.20: Online QMS Reading Club:** Important and useful information was shared with the Reading Club members of the school. The following are the details:

**a. Learn at home with Story Weaver**- This platform allows children to continue reading and learn when schools are closed. They have a grade-wise story books and activities that provide hours and hours of learning they enjoy!

**b. Story Ghar-** Shared the link with students for an online Storytelling event by Ms. Jayshree Sethi on 23rd June 2020 and 30th June 2020.

**26.6.20: Teachers as Instructional Leaders :** The workshop organized *by CBSE-COE DELHI WEST* emphasized on the challenges faced by the teachers in today's classroom such as professional learning, integration and blend of technology to make it as a pedagogical tool, student engagement, learning spaces and connectivity with students so as to assess them there and then. Focus was also laid on HALA (Home as learning aid), BALA (Building as learning aid), and PALA (Parents as learning aid).



**26.6.20: Capacity Building Programme on Managing Virtual Classes**: The Webinar was organized on Tools for Virtual Classroom Programme to give the training to the teachers on various Online platforms of teaching learning process.

**27.6.20: Maths & Beyond**: A Webinar for maths educators was organized. The Resource person, Mr. Vivek Kumar gave the information on Conceptual and Procedural knowledge of Mathematics. This training emphasized on the use of Mathematical language to make the understanding of the concepts more clear.

**30.6.20: Mathematics using Technology:** The CBSE Maths Webinar on Teaching Mathematics using Technology gave training on various online platforms which can be used in the Maths online teaching. Like Geo-Gebra software was introduced and how the teachers can use it in online teaching. The workshop was very informative.

**1.7.20: 'Cultivating Reading Habits-***My Book, My Friend'* –This Webinar emphasized on the importance of inculcating reading habits in children. It focused on the objectives of enriching reading skills as the following- Reading Feeds Imagination and Creativity, Readers Make Leaders, Reading Enhances Vocabulary and Language Skills. It increases emotional intelligence, span of attention and helps in decision making and critical thinking.

**3.7.20: 'English on Young Learners':** A Webinar which was interesting and interactive, it focused on teaching grammar concepts with concrete objects and daily life examples. It emphasized on the integration of arts/pictures with the grammar concepts so that they can be self-explanatory.

**4.7.20: Blended Learning in the post lockdown classroom:** Mr. Nik Peachey, the guest speaker, an award-winning teacher, teacher trainer, technology trainer and author, discussed how blended learning can be used in language classrooms and also shared tools and resources that would help teachers implement the blended learning approach. The Webinar was very interesting and informative.

**5.7.20: CBSE Training on Learning Outcomes and Pedagogies** on *Diksha Platform*. The workshop discussed *Kolb's Cycle of Experiential Learning* and need to adopt teaching – learning practices that provides challenging opportunities to all learners.

**6.7.20: Educators in preparation for the 21st Century Classroom-**The course aimed on identifying and interpreting the experiential learning, pedagogical processes for achieving students learning outcomes. It also aimed at developing reflective and inquiry approach in teaching and learning process.

**8.7.20:** Initiatives in School Education- The workshop discussed various schemes for *Ex- Samagra Shiksha* launched by the government for all round development of school children.



**8.7.20: Pedagogy of Language-** The training focused on language learning outcomes effectively through Storytelling and various activities. It also focused on various group activities. The main aim of this training module was to understand the various aspects of language. In language classroom, children should get ample space to develop their imagination and creativity.

**11.7.20:** *The workshop The Best of You-Time Management* organized by *British Council India Libraries* was truly the need of the hour, to bring out the best in us through time management. Personal time management skills are essential for professional success in any workplace. Those able to successfully implement time management strategies are able to manage their workload effectively.

#### Workshop Highlights:

- Tips for better Work-Life Balance
- Plan and prioritize each day's activities in a more efficient, productive manner
- Overcome procrastination- quick and easy
- To write an effective and achievable To-Do list
- Assertive communication Techniques to help a person say 'NO' in a positive manner, in order to prioritize what's important
- Accepting Feedbacks positively
- Techniques to cope with criticism
- Building up one's resilience
- Who controls your life? (Locus of control)

Overall, the workshop aimed helping the participants to achieve stress free work –life balance. The workshop was very effective, well planned and organized.

**13.7.20: Online Teacher Training on Continuous Professional Development-**The workshop aimed at utilizing technology to access education curriculum thereby changing the teacher centred class room to student centred classroom.

**13.7.20:** Science Now Revised Edition textbooks: The Webinar provided a seamless continuity in the Science curriculum. Revised edition retains the focus of the original, where development of lateral thinking, analytical, research and deduction skills in students were encouraged. The Key features were Revise and Recall, Think and Answer test application of the concepts learned. Cross-curricular learning link integrates knowledge across subjects.



**15.7.20:** A Webinar on The Pi Series- Making Factors and Multiples - The Webinar emphasized on using the experiential learning to solve Mathematical problems. The trainer used various daily life examples to throw light on using logics to solve story sums

**19.7.20:** 'Physical and Chemical Changes in Chemistry' A Webinar was organized for the students of class V by Nehru Planetarium on '*Physical and Chemical Changes in Chemistry*' The Resource Person was Dr. Shonali Rathi. Students were involved in various hands-on activities along with interaction on Physical and Chemical changes in Chemistry. Experiments and discussions were conducted in such a manner that the students were able to understand and visualize the broader picture of Science.

**22.07.20: Experiential Learning-** The CBSE training sensitized the educators how a subject can be integrated with other subjects to bring about effective and concrete learning.

27.7.20: हिंदी वर्तनी और व्याकरण के भ्रामक बिंदु- In this workshop, the participants learnt various faces of Hindi language. The topics covered in this workshop were common errors in Hindi spellings, why the children make those mistakes and how to rectify those errors. This workshop was very informative.

29.7.20: हिंदी का उच्चारण और लेखन व्यवस्था- This workshop covered the two faces of Hindi language i.e. written and oral. The various characteristics of Written and Oral languages were shared. Detailed discussions on Vowels and Consonants (how to divide them on various parameters), their types and their correct, incorrect forms were shared with the participants. Some tips were shared on how to use and teach "Matraas" to the kids for easy learning. This was a highly informative workshop and was full of facts which should be used for teaching Hindi to children.

*"Learning gives creativity, Creativity leads to thinking, Thinking leads to knowledge, Knowledge makes you great."* 

— Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam