

# INDIAN SCHOOL SALALAH ANNUAL REPORT 2022-23

### Activities and programmes/events/ceremonies/tours conducted by the school.

In the AY 2022-23, CCA events and 40<sup>th</sup> year celebration activities took place hand in hand. Along with CCA events special days were celebrated and various hands-on activities were conducted for the same. The children actively participated in all the events. We planned out various events and programmes for our tiny tots and executed it successfully. The kids participated in all the events and programmes with great enthusiasm. Maximum students participated for all the activities.

The CCA events of Kindergarten were considered as events and not a competition to promote and have a greater number of participations. The events we could schedule along with the 40<sup>th</sup> year celebration were

S.NO	EVENTS	DATE
1	COLOURING	03.10.2022
2	DRAWING AND COLOURING	03.10.2022
3	CLAY MODELLING	20.10.2022
4	ENGLISH CALIGRAPHY	13.01.2023
5	ENGLISH RECITATION	31.01.2023
6	STORY TELLING	06.02.2023
7	SHOW AND TELL ACTIVITY	22.02.2023





The E – certificates "**Certificate of Appreciation**" for all these events have been issued to the participants of kindergarten students for their commendable performance in various events and activities.

Along with CCA events, various special days were celebrated to emphasis on the values to be followed. Earth Day, World Environment Day, Mothers' Day, Independence Day, Teachers' Day, Childrens' Day, Republic Day, National Unity Day, National Education Day, National Day of Oman, Global Handwashing Day, World Students Day, Gandhi Jayanthi and a few more days were celebrated with hands on activities and assemblies.

### 1. WORLD HEALTH DAY(NURSE MRS. ROSE) (07/04/2022)

World Health Day is a global health Awareness day celebrated every year on 7 April, under the sponsorship of the World Health Organization, as well as other related organizations. Nurse explained the importance of maintaining health and hygiene.



## 2. EARTH DAY(GREEN DAY CELEBRATION) (21/04/2022)

We celebrate mother earth on April 22 each year with 'World Earth Day,' It reminds us of our responsibility to take care of the planet and protect it for future generations. Green represents serenity and relaxation.

Children wore green colour dress and



headgear from leaves and danced to the tune of green day song. The activity of making turtle enhanced the celebration.

### 3. EID CELEBRATION (01/05/2022)



To inspire kids to remain pure and noble at heart and to make them understand the meaning, purpose and importance of Ramadan, Eid was celebrated on 01/5/2022.Children enjoyed doing craft related to Eid.

### 4. MOTHER'S DAY (08/05/2022)

The bond between the mother and the child is divine. To glorify this everlasting bond of love and affection, Mother's Day was celebrated on 8/5/22. The kids danced and sang with the mothers. Special greeting cards were made by the children for their mothers.



### 5. INTERNATIONAL FAMILY DAY (15/05/2022)

To make the students understand that, the family provides a sense of belonging and a unique identity to them, International FamilyDay was celebrated. Children spoke about their family members by holding



their pictures. They made a family tree and stuck their family picture on the tree. This created aspecial emotional feeling in the students about their families.

### 6. FRUITS DAY (19/05/2022)



Fruit is an essential aspect of a healthy diet. To explore fruits whichare good for health, fruits skewers and fruit salad activity were done.

Children helped their teachers to make delicious fruit skewers and fruit salads.

### 7. VEGETABLE DAY (25/05/2022)

To explore the world of vegetables and to encourage kids eat more vegetables, prepared vegetable salad. Children helped to peel the vegetables. Overall, it was an activitywhich made learning, fun.



8. BLUE DAY (26/05/2022)

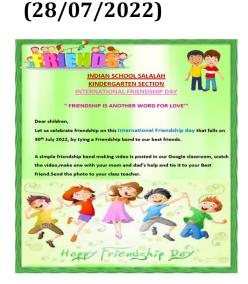
Blue colour is often associated with depth and stability. To know the significance of this colour, children were asked to make a paper plate aquarium and a paper boat. They wore blue colour dress and danced to the tune of blue day song.

### 9.GLOBAL PARENTS' DAY (01/06/2022)



To honour parents and their commitments to children across the world, Global Parents' Day is celebrated on 1<sup>st</sup> June. As an activity, children drew pictures of their families and also took a photographs of kids enjoying a candle light dinner with their families.

**1**... INTERNITIONAL FRIENDSHIP DAY



Children made a simple friendship band and tied it to their best friend, as a way of fostering good relationships between classmates and those with different cultural backgrounds.

11. YELLOW DAY (03/08/2022)A day dedicated to the yellow color was markedwith children dressed in different hues and tints of



yellow. The motive of celebrating this yellow day

was to make the children aware of yellow color,

its significance and to develop fine motor skills

in the students. They spent the day with utmost enjoyment. Children did craft work and brought food based on yellow theme.

### **12. INDEPENDENCE DAY(15/08/2022)**

76th Independence Day was celebrated virtually on 16th of August 2022. To develop a feeling of patriotism in the children, they were asked to dress up as freedom fighters and also to hold National symbols of India. Many spoke about Independence Day. They colored the National Flag of India and sang a song holding the same. They enjoyed the Independence Day celebration.





### 13. PLANT KINGDOM-GERMINATIO OF SEEDS(24/08/2022)

Students will learn the fundamental importance of understanding germination, plant growth and the organic materials needed for plant germination. During online class children did the activity , and they enjoyed it very much.



### 14. TEACHER'S DAY (05/09/2022)

Kindergartencelebrated Teachers' Day on 5th September 2022. On this special day many children enacted as teachers. Children spoke about Teachers' Day. They made greeting cards for their teachers. Children with the help of their parents created small videos for their teachers. The kids sang and danced to the Teachers' Day song.



### 15. ONAM CELEBRATION (07/09/2022)

Onam is the official festival of Kerala. Kindergarten celebrated Onam on 07/09/2022.

It was a lively and vibrant celebration as children wore traditional dress to get a feel of the festival. They engaged themselves in craft activities like umbrella making and colored flower carpet. The kids sang and danced to traditional songs.



### 16 INTERNATIONAL LITERACY DAY (08/09/2022)

International Literacy Day was celebrated on 8th September 2022. To understand the importance of reading, Kindergarten celebrated reading through different activities like general reading, reading story books and sent videos pictures and pictures of reading story books with mom. Children enjoyed all the activities.



17. GRAND PARENTS' DAY (12/09/2022)

Grandparents have a huge role in shaping our lives. To show their love and respect towards the grandparents, children made greeting cards and a photo frame for them. Many children enacted as grandparents too.

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Kindergarten celebrated International Day of Peace on 21<sup>st</sup> September. This day is celebrated to encourage the students to work together towards the goal of worldwide peace. Children did craft activities like dove cotton pasting, dove fork painting etc. They sang a song related to PEACE along with the teacher

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### 19. GANDHI JAYANTI (02/10/2022)

Kindergarten celebrated Gandhi Jayanti on 2<sup>nd</sup> October. A special speech with Gandhian quotes and messages brought the gathering to understand more about this iconic leader. Gandhian ideals were depicted through a skit which the students presented in the most



eloquent manner. The Students sang Gandhi's favourite bhajan ' Raghupati Raghava Rajaram'.

### 20. WORLD POST DAY (09/10/2022)



Today, world has become a global village. Communication and information technology plays a crucial role in bringing the world close together. The early means of communication wasthe postal service. The aim of celebrating world post office day is tocreate awareness of the role of postalsector. The UKG children made

models of post box, envelope and stamp. The children enjoyed the activity to the fullest and it helped to make children understand the means of communication – The Post Office.

# **21.WORLD STUDENTS DAY**

### (16/10/2022)



World student's day was celebrated in the honour of Dr. A P J Abdul Kalam on his Birthday on 15<sup>th</sup> October. The activities did on the day was bit pasting of palm by the students and also traced Abdul Kalam's picture. Students also spoke about Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam and the importance of Students Day.

### 22. Diwali Celebration ( 20/10/2022)



"Diyas to enjoy life, Sweets to sweeten success and Worship to thank GOD". Diwali is one of the important festivals of India. It is the festival of light and symbolizes the spiritual victory of the light over darkness, good over evil and knowledge over ignorance. Kindergarten celebrated Diwali, Children made Diyas and Lanterns.

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### 23. NATIONAL UNITY DAY (31/10/2022)

Rashtriya Ekta Diwas or National Unity Day is celebrated on October 31st every year to commemorate the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. Children enjoyed the palm printing activity.

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### 24. NATIONAL EDUCATION DAY (10/11/2022)

National Education Day is observed to to honor the birth anniversary of India's first Education Minister, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad.



Teacher explained the importance of Education and Students also spoke about the famous education quotes.

# 25. ORANGE DAY CELEBRATION (10/11/2022)



Orange colour stimulates imagination and creativity. Children wore orange colour dress and danced to the tune of orange colour song. Children made paper craft models of carrot and did bit pasting of orange and also brought carrot halwa,orange juice and orange coloured snacks.

### 26. Children's Day Celebration (14/11/2022)

Children's day was celebrated on 14<sup>th</sup> November. The KG kids actively participated in the program. They coloured rose flower.Teachers performed dance, song and variety of entertainment

programes for the kids.

# 27. National day celebration (20/11/2022)

Celebration of national days strengthens the unity amongst the individuals of a community and empowers them to seek their roles and responsibility for national integrity and development.

Kindergarten children did colouring activity (National flag of Oman) on 17/11/2022, Thursday. Omani teachers distributed sweets to all the

children.

### 28. COMMUNITY HELPERS (30/11/2022)

It's vital to introduce the concept of community helpers for kids to help them recognize and trust the people who are charged to serve and protect, like firefighters, doctors and nurses, and the police. Children understood the role of community helpers in our life. They dressed as farmers, vegetable vendors, fruit sellers, teachers, doctors, nurses, bakers, fire fighters, soldiers etc.









29. SEASONS FANCY DRESS (18/01/2023)

Students will be able to Identify the names of each of the four seasons and explain why there are different seasons in different regions of the world. Learning about the seasons help children understand the passage of time and teaches them about change.





# 30. Christmas celebration & Red Day (15/12/2022)

Christmas is celebrated to the birth of Jesus remember Christ, who Christians believe is the Son of God. Kindergarten celebrated Christmas on 15/12/2022. Teachers made handmade cards for the children and they coloured the Christmas in the class. Children tree received gifts from Santa.



# 31.REPUBLIC DAY [26/01/2023]

Kindergarten celebrated Republic day with a

Children dressed up and represented of all traditional costumes belong to the particular music.





### 32.Value based Assembilies:-

Values-based Education is an approach to teaching that works with values.

It creates a strong learning environment that enhances achievement and develops students' social and relationship skills that last throughout their lives.

The positive learning environment is achieved through the positive values modelled throughout the school. It also provides social capacity to

students, equipping them with social and relationship skills, intelligences and attitudes to succeed at school and throughout their lives.

1	KINDNESS
2	SHARING & CARING
3	SINCERITY
4	UNITY
5	GOOD MANNERS
6	TRUTHFULNESS
	HONESTY
7	
8	GOLDEN WORDS
9	DISCIPLINE









### **33. ISTF - FANCY DRESS**

**10 GRATITUDE** 

Kindergarten conducted ISTF Fancy dress competition, and it was a great success . 67 students participated and 3 students got certificates. Issued E-certificates to all the participants for their wonderful performances.





CLASSES 1 TO 4 (2022-23)



Indian School Salalah always aligns its Vision, Mission and Quality objectives with the holistic development of the students. Co-curricular activities are an essential part of school life and helps in enhancing learning process of students at school. Co-curricular activities are meant to bring social skills, intellectual skills, moral

### values, personality progress and character appeal in students.

We the CCA team under the able guidance and suggestions from our **Principal- Mr. Deepak Patankar** and **AVP- Ms. Anita Rose**, planned to put forth regular events and celebrations of special days and various events to cater to the co-scholastic development of students of our school. Our heartfelt gratitude to**AVP-Mr. Vipindas and respective head of the departments** who always rendered their support to us.

We would like to show our gratitude to Ms. Joltsna Sandeep-Class 1 Coordinator, Ms. Noufiya-Class 2 Coordinator, Ms. Palak Thakar - Class 3 Coordinator and Ms.Diana Carvalho - Class 4 Coordinator for their wholehearted support.

This year CCA events and 40<sup>th</sup> year celebration activities took place hand in hand. Along with CCA events special days were celebrated and various hands-on activities were conducted for the same. The children actively participated in all the events. We planned out various events and programmes for our tiny tots and executed it successfully. The kids participated in all the events and programmes with great enthusiasm. **The goal was to achieve maximum participation from allthe classes and students participated with great zeal.**  The CCA events of Classes 1&2 were considered as events and not a competition to promote and have a greater number of participations. The events we could schedule along with the 40th year celebration were:

S.NO	EVENTS	NO. OF PARTICIPANTS
1	ENGLISH RECITATION	307
2	STORY TELLING	314
3	ENGLISH CALLIGRAPHY	575
4	HINDI RECITATION	315
5	MEMORY GAME	529
6	SHOW AND TELL	422

The E - certificates for all these events have been issued to the participants of classes 1&2. Students those who couldn't perform in CCA events, has been awarded with a "**Certificate of Participation**" for their commendable performance in various other events and activities.

The events of **Classes 3&4** were conducted as class-wise competitions, to promote and have a greater number of participations. Altogether there were around 660 students in these classes. The events we could schedule along with the 40<sup>th</sup> year celebration were-

S.NO	EVENTS	NO. OF PARTICIPANTS
1	<b>ENGLISH RECITATION (3&amp;4)</b>	177-Individual
2	<b>REGIONAL SOLO SONG (3&amp;4)</b>	235-Individual
3	ENGLISH CALLIGRAPHY (3&4)	519-Open to all
4	HINDI CALLIGRAPHY-CLASS 3	281-Open to all
5	GK QUIZ (3&4)	549-Open to all
6	DIGITAL PAINTING-CLASS 4	235-Open to all
7	HINDI RECITATION-CLASS 4	170-Individual

Along with CCA events, various special days were celebrated to emphasis on the values to be followed. Earth Day, World Environment Day, Anti-Tobacco Day, Mothers' Day, Independence Day, Teachers' Day, Childrens' Day, Republic Day, National Unity Day, National Education Day, National Day of Oman, World Tolerance Day, World Kindness Day, Mathematics Day, Hindi Divas, Global Handwashing Day, World Students Day, Gandhi Jayanthi and a few more days were celebrated with hands on activities and assemblies. Colourful Flyers with messages were shared in the class groups too. All students participated in some or the other competitions, class assembly, special assemblies and class activities.

As a part of the CCA, this year too, a number of events and competitions were conducted. After a gap of two years, our students were literally back to their temple of learning. To boost their vigour and enthusiasm, this year CCA competitions were conducted class wise so as to ensure maximum participation of students. This endeavour was equally supported by the CCA Sub- Committee which consisted of Mr. Yasser Mohammed (Chairman) Mr P L Eapen (Vice Chairman) Dr Mohammed Yousoof, Mr Deepak Patankar (Principal), Mrs Anita Rose (Asst. Vice Principal) and Mr Vipin Das (Asst. Vice Principal).

Following are the Special Days that were commemorated this year with great spirit and passion. To begin with it was the 75th year Celebration of the glorious Independence of our Motherland. To mark this magnificent year the school came with a well organised celebration.

### **INDEPENDENCE DAY**

INDIAN SCHOOL SALALAH CELEBRATES 76<sup>TH</sup> INDEPENDENCE DAY WITH PRIDE AND PATRIOTIC FERVOUR



Indian School Salalah celebrated 76th Independence Day on 15th August 2022 in the KG block and the celebration was truly significant as it marked the 75th anniversary of

India's Independence. The entire school reverberated with the patriotic feelings and pride for the love of the nation. Around 100 students from the primary, middle, and secondary sections presented a vibrant programme and performed with great excitement and enthusiasm. The Vice President of the school management committee Mr. Sanjeev Kumar Singh, (the chief guest for the occasion) esteemed members of the school management committee, Principal Mr. Deepak Patankar, Mr. Rakhesh Jha, President of Indian Social Club, distinguished guests and dignitaries graced the occasion with their august presence. On this significant occasion, Dr. Muhammed Yousoof, Convenor, SMC and Mr. Yasser Mohammed M. V (member, SMC) accompanied by Principal Mr. Deepak Patankar, presented a sapling and a memento to the chief guest Mr.Sanjeev Kumar Singh (Vice President, SMC) as a token of love and gratitude.

Vice President Mr.Sanjeev Kumar Singh in his address mentioned about the progress of India in these 75 years and hoped that this new generation will take India to great heights in sports, information technology, telecommunication etc . He concluded his speech with a message to all the students - 'make India proud'. While addressing the gathering, Principal Mr.Deepak Patankar said that Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav has given a wonderful opportunity to bring all the cultures together. He said that skill education which is highly relevant in today's job market will be introduced in Indian School Salalah from the forthcoming academic year 2023-24 with the support of community, SMC and teachers. The celebrations began with the prayer song by the school choir followed by the Omani National Anthem and Indian National Anthem which filled the hearts of the audience with true patriotic spirit and pride. Miss. Rachel Jeanna Meeran from class 9 G extended a hearty welcome to the gathering. The tiny tots of class 3 and 4 mesmerized the audience with their excellent rendition of patriotic songs and the students of 1&2 enchanted the gathering with their enthralling dance performance. The audience were captivated when the students of classes 8 and 9 rendered a song which conveyed the beauty of India from Himalayas to Kanyakumari

The talented actors of classes 8 and 9 performed an English skit titled 'India@76' that depicted the progress of India. The eloquent speakers of the primary section Sree Nidhi B from 4 G, Vedika Vipindas from class 4 E, Yazhisai Maniraj from 4 C and Priyal Manish Pitroda from 4 H stirred the patriotic spirit through their powerful speech. The students of classes 8 and 9 thrilled the audience through the mime - A Timeline of India's Progress. Kanan Bhatia of class IX D delivered an energetic speech in Hindi highlighting the significance of the celebration. The occasion was well anchored by the team of students Jhanvin Mary, Vareesha Javed, Ethan Emmanuel Carneiro, Hemapriya, Advaith Manoj, Shagun Nilesh Rajyaguru, Aardra, Shivani. Siddhi Manish Pitroda from class 9 E proposed the vote of thanks. Altogether, it was a memorable event.

### **TEACHERS' DAY 2022 CELEBRATED AT**

### **INDIAN SCHOOL SALALAH**

Grade XII Students of Indian School Salalah celebrated Teachers' Day with great enthusiasm on the 5th of September 2022. The event was held at the school's KG Block at 12.40 pm. The students here dedicated the day to their teachers in recognition of their noble services in moulding them into fine personalities. September 5 also marks the birth anniversary of Dr Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, who was the second President of India and a well-renowned educationist.

The special guest of the occasion was Mrs. Ashwini Sawrikar, Finance Director, Board of Directors, Indian Schools Oman. Mr. Sanjeev Singh, Vice-president, School Management Committee, Dr. Abubacker Siddique, Treasurer, SMC, Mrs. Harmit Pal, member SMC and Dr. Shaji Sreedhar, member SMC attended the function along with Assist. Vice Principals Mr. Vipindas and Mrs. Anita Rose, teaching and non-teaching staff.

The cultural show presented by the students had a series of events which enthralled both the teachers and the students alike. The show began with the welcome note by Jeni Magdalene of class XII A. The colourful fusion dance and group song by class XII girls added charm and beauty to the occasion. Miss Um-e-safa from XII D, with her superb singing, amazed everyone. The fun-filled and hilarious games in the form of riddles and teachers' voice recognition were a true tribute to the teachers and it indeed was a source of great amusement to all present.

Thunderous and power-packed drum solo performance by Master Ben Moses of XII D elated the entire audience to the next level of enjoyment. The center of attraction, the flash mob by class XII students immediately after the recess in school's quadrangle was truly entertaining as they danced to the medley of foot-tapping numbers.

The special guest, Mrs. Ashwini Sawrikar, Finance Director, BOD, while addressing the gathering, told that teachers play a vital role in students' life. She further added that as potters, teachers mould and shape children to help them develop their future. As a token of love and appreciation, Members SMC with the AVPs presented a memento to Mrs. Ashwini Sawrikar. The tiny tots of kindergarten, primary and middle section also celebrated Teachers' Day. Assistant Vice Principals Mr. Vipin Das and Mrs. Anita Rose graced the occasion. The students performed various programmes like speeches, action song and dance. The programme was very colorful and Mrs. Anita Rose, AVP appreciated all the participants and on the occasion, she greeted the teachers. The Teachers' Day 2022 celebration for seniors came to its end with the vote of thanks proposed by Assist. Vice-principal, Mrs. Anita Rose.

### A DAY DEDICATED TO TEACHERS TEACHERS' DAY CELEBRATED FOR THE FACULTY OF INDIAN SCHOOL SALALAH & THUMRAIT BY SMC OF INDIAN SCHOOL

Teachers impart not just education but also values. They are the backbones of our education system and support the upbringing of numerous students. The birthday of former President of India Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan (a great scholar and a visionary educator) is celebrated as Teacher's Day in India every year on 5th September to appreciate the role played by teachers in life of students who will be the worthy citizens of tomorrow.

To mark the occasion of Teacher's Day, the President, Principal and members of the school management committee of Indian School Salalah hosted the teaching faculty of Indian School Salalah and Indian School Thumrait in order to appreciate their hard work and unwavering commitment for the mission and vision of their school through an evening of celebrations and blessings, fun and frolic on Friday, 16th September 2022 at Hamdan Plaza. The event was attended by school management committee and staff of Indian School Salalah as well as school management committee and staff of Indian School Thumrait. The whole event was meticulously planned by Principal Mr. Deepak Patankar, AVP Mr. Vipindas and AVP Mrs. Anita Rose of Indian School Salalah.

Mrs. Elizabeth Philips and Mrs. Sherly Mathew compering in charges for the occasion started the evening on a cheerful note. Mr. Yasser Mohammed, SMC member, chairman CCA-subcommittee formally welcomed the gathering. Mrs. Harmit Pal, Chairman, Academic Sub Committee in her address highlighted the vital role played by a teacher in a student's life. The duties of a teacher are neither few nor small, but they elevate young minds and build the character she added. The cultural extravaganza started with a song in mesmerizing voice of Mrs. Bindukala, captivating classical dance performance by Mrs. Dhanya Mukesh, flute rendition by Mr. Narayan kutty, solo song performances in regional languages by Mr. Harish. K.P, Mr. Parvinder Singh, Mr. Mukesh Mohan, Mr. Sunil (IS Thumrait-self composed poem) Mr. Saji and a musical fusion by Mrs. Deepthi left everyone spellbound. An entertaining skit with a great message on paramount role of teachers in educating as well as for the holistic development of a child by President Dr. Syed Ahsan Jamil and Vice President Mr. Sanjeev Singh was a pleasant surprise and the play was well received with a standing ovation. A classical dance performance by Mr. P.L. Eapen member SMC of I.S.Salalah brightened up the spirits of all gathered. It was followed by a soulful medley by Mr. Farhan and Mrs. Tabassum and a foot tapping group song by Mrs. Deepthi and ladies' staff. Several games played on the occasion for delighting staff by the team of Mr.Ishwar, Mrs. Rachel Sajith, Mr.

Pramod, Mrs. Reeshma and Mrs. Vidya kept everyone on the toes and added spice to the event. Indian School Salalah SMC appreciated and honoured Teachers with appreciation letters from Board of Directors, Muscat and Principal, IS Salalah for their tireless efforts in making STAI 2021 a great success. AVP Mrs. Anita Rose officially proposed the vote of thanks and congratulated teachers for inspiring and nurturing students in various capacities. The entire programme was applauded by everyone and will always remain a beautiful memory to all.

### Gandhi Jayanti Celebrated at Indian School Salalah

Celebrating the 153rd birth anniversary of the Father of the nation Mahatma Gandhi, Indian School Salalah observed Gandhi Jayanthi by organizing a special assembly in the school campus with patriotic fervour on 2nd October 2022. The special observance held, was intended towards paying a heartfelt tribute to the leader who gave India the real taste of freedom.

The occasion was graced by Principal Mr Deepak Patankar, Assistant Vice Principals Mr Vipin Das and Mrs Anita Rose, Department Heads, and teachers of the school.

The day began with an invocation to the Almighty. The school choir sang the famous bhajan 'Vaishnava Janato' with full exuberance. Master Ayman of class VI welcomed the gathering. Miss Alveena of class VI A recited a Hindi poem 'Dekho Mahatma Gandhi Jayanti Aayi' that depicted Gandhiji's sacrifice, and the significant role played in laying a strong foundation of gaining independence. An eye-opening enactment on the famous Dandi March incident had a deep impact as it described the benefits of non-violent ways to achieve almost everything in life. Master Arjundeep of class VI A delivered a speech in English, brought the gathering to understand more of this iconic leader.

The blooming buds of LKG mesmerized the gathering as they danced to the beat and rhythm of the patriotic song. The toddlers captured the hearts of the viewers by presenting an action song which depicted Gandhiji's personality. The 12 budding orators of LKG captivated the audience by their speech on Gandhiji's life and principles. Master Mohammed Ayman Basheer and Miss Asma Abdur Rehman of LKG dressed up as Gandhiji and Kasthurba Gandhi enhanced the charm of the celebration.

As part of the celebration, class 2 B conducted the class assembly. Students of classes 1 and 2 dressed up as Gandhiji, went around the classes with placards displaying the quotes of Gandhiji.

To commemorate the birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, class 3 conducted a collage activity, as home assignment. They were also asked to dress up as Gandhiji and send photographs of the same to their respective class teachers.

To show the respect to the father of the nation, class 4 conducted an amazing activity of joining the dots to complete the picture of Mahatma Gandhi. The celebration continued even after school hours as the students were asked to make a small cutout of Mahatma Gandhi.

Principal Mr Deepak Patankar in his address appreciated the students for the astounding performance and reminded them to follow the Gandhian values and principles.

The vibrant compering team comprising Miss Sherya, Miss Sheza, Miss Kritika, Miss Tia and Master Ayman did an appreciable job. The programme ended with the National Anthem.

### **INVESTITURE CEREMONY**



newly designated leaders of the Students' Prefectural Council of Indian School Salalah were bequeathed with authority at a ceremonial investiture held on 06 October 2022 in the school auditorium. In a solemn ceremony, where student leaders donned the mantle

of leadership, they pledged to discharge their responsibilities and to lead the school from the front with commitment, confidence and competence.

The programme commenced with an invocation of God almighty's blessings rendered by the school choir. Master Amogh, the Deputy Head boy welcomed the gathering. The programme proceeded with the acceptance of the School Flag from the principal, Mr. Deepak Patankar by the Head boy, Master Samved Shaji Nambiar and Head girl, Miss Meghna Jagadeep.

Mr.Sanjeev Kumar Singh, the Vice-president of the school management committee, the chief guest for the occasion, conferred the appointees with their badges and congratulated them for their achievement. In his address, the chief guest, Mr.Sanjeev Kumar Singh, appreciated the efforts of the school in instilling values and ethics in the students and ensuring their holistic development. He reminded that mother is the first and best teacher of an individual. He also highlighted the role of good friends in a student's success. He called upon the newly elected student council to make their school and India feel proud of them. He reiterated the need to be humble and compassionate as great leadership comes with greater responsibilities.

Principal Mr.Deepak Patankar congratulated and administered the oath to the designated leaders, and reminded them to remain true to their calling and be diligent in executing their duties. Master Samved Shaji Nambiar and Miss Meghna Jagadeep were formally appointed the Head boy and Head girl along with nine other appointees. (School Deputy Head Boy: Master Amogh Malviya, School Deputy Head Girl: Miss. Thamanna Nishthar, School Cultural Captain – Boy: Master. Ben Moses, School Cultural Captain – Girl: Miss Ayazia , School Sports Captain – Boy: Master. Liyan Bin Nassar, School Sports Captain – Girl: Miss. Fizza Basheer, School Sports Vice-Captain – Boy: Master.Mohammed Abdel Raoouf and School Sports Vice-Captain – Girl: Miss. Nicole Sarah Ernest.)

In their acceptance speech, Master Samved and Miss Meghna expressed their gratitude to the school, parents and friends who showed trust in their abilities to lead the students to greater glories.

The event was graced by the members of the school management committee- Dr. Muhammed Yousoof(convenor), Dr. Abubacker Siddique(treasurer), Dr. Navaneetha Krishnan Rajagopal (co-convenor), Mrs Harmit Pal and Dr. Shaji Nambiar. Asst. Vice-Principals, Mrs Anita Rose and Mr.Vipin Das and the proud parents of the newly sworn in student council members.

Ms.Tamannah Nishtar, the Deputy Head girl proposed the vote of thanks and the ceremony concluded with the National Anthem. The programme was anchored by Master Ruthik and Miss Miss Sakshi of Class XI.

### Indian School Salalah celebrates Children's Day

# *"Every child is a different kind of flower, and all together makes this world a beautiful garden."*

A day marking childhood, and to make this event memorable for our little ones, Indian School Salalah celebrated Children's Day on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2022 in the school premises with immense joy and enthusiasm. The day focused on children and their enjoyment. This special day marks the birth anniversary of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, the first Prime Minister of India.

The occasion was graced by Principal Mr Deepak Patankar, Assistant Vice Principals Mr Vipin Das and Mrs Anita Rose and teachers of the school.

The tiny tots of Classes I to V came dressed up in casual clothes. All the children were given chocolates as a token of love. The children's day programme had a series of interesting and exciting events, all planned meticulously for complete entertainment. The programme began with a special assembly conducted by the teachers and students. The celebrations began with the Morning Prayer, followed by a variety of fun-filled activities and programmes planned by the teachers for their children.

The teachers of classes I and II took this unique opportunity in great spirits and performed with great enthusiasm. The excellent comparing team dressed up as fairy tale characters, Ms. Jalaja as Snow white, Ms. Joltsna as Goldilocks, Ms. Nimisha as Red Riding Hood and Ms. Noufiya as Cindrella amused the children. The melodious action song "A beautiful day..." and the fantastic group dance by the teachers was a treat for the kids. Ms. Angel sang a beautiful Hindi song to express her gratitude and love. The children's faces turned out to be a playground of joy, excitement, surprise, and curiosity when they saw their teachers perform.

The teaching faculty of classes III and IV won the young hearts with fun and frolic. The whole elation began with the fun-filled anchoring of Ms. Cini Jayaprakash and Ms. Purnima Santosh who enacted as Ramu and Master respectively. To make the day more special and entertaining the teachers of class IV presented a dance drama and the teachers of class III presented a colourful cinematic dance. Children cheered and loved the performances of their teachers. Their joy knew no bounds when they saw the array of programmes organized by their beloved teachers.

Classes V to VIII had a series of fun-filled programmes presented by the students of Class V. It started with the Thought for the Day by Mast. Kazi Saifullah, News by Mast Zaki Syed and Miss. Daniya Eltayeb Abdel Rehman. The Hindi poem recital by Miss. Zunairah Zia was enjoyed by all. The rhythmic song and dance by the students enthralled the audience. Master Roshin Reshsnith in his Children's Day speech elated on the importance of Children's day.

With such a vast arena of cultural events and fun-filled activities, it proved to be a memorable day for the students. The students were overwhelmed and enjoyed the day.

Principal Mr. Deepak Patankar in his address appreciated the students and teachers for their astounding performance. He wished all the children a very Happy Children's Day and requested the children to applaud their teachers for putting up a wonderful show. He promised to give chocolate for every child.

Assistant Vice Principal Ms. Anita Rose released the school anthem and in her Children's Day address highlighted the recent achievements of the school and expressed her happiness in getting NABET accreditation and ISTF victory. She praised the efforts of the teachers for making Children's Day celebrations a memorable one. She also narrated a story of a "Kitten and a Duckling" which threw light on the moral that everybody is unique and should be happy with what we have. She wished the kids on the occasion of Children's Day.

Assistant Vice Principal Mr. Vipin Das in his Children's Day speech expressed his joy on being present on the occasion. He said that each child is different, and everyone is very beautiful in their own way. He also told the students to gear up for all the activities lined up for the year, especially the Carnival.

The programme concluded with the National Anthem.

### **REPUBLIC DAY**



Indian School Salalah celebrated the 74th Republic Day on the 26th of January 2023 in the school premises. The patriotic fervor warmed up the cold winter morning as the teachers, parents and students gathered zealously for the celebration. The day witnessed the presence of the chief guest- President of the School Management Committee Dr. Syed Ahsan Jamil, other esteemed members of the School Management Committee, Exmembers of the School Management Committee, Chairman of Indian Social Club Mr. Rakesh Kumar Jha, Dr. Sanathanan, Honorary Consular Agent, Embassy of India to Oman, Principal Mr. Deepak Patankar, Assistant Vice Principals, In-charges, Heads of the Department, Parents and students at large.

The students of Class VII presented the Republic Day programme. The programme commenced with Royal Anthem of Oman followed by National Anthem of India and a prayer song by school choir. Master Ishan from Class 7B formally welcomed the gathering. Miss Hanna of Class 7F delivered a speech in English that evoked the feelings of loyalty and commitment in young minds. The chief guest of the day, Dr Syed Ahsan Jamil, President School Management committee addressed the audience. He paid homage to all martyrs of freedom struggle and expressed pride as recently India became fifth largest economy in the world. He quoted few excerpts from the address given on the eve of Republic Day 2023 by Honourable President of India Shree Droupadi Murmu. He highlighted India's overall progress and its global recognition since Independence leaving behind a string of landmarks that define its journey from underdeveloped nation to a strong powerful developing nation.

On this momentous occasion, winners in various categories of Vishwa Hindi Diwas competition held by Indian Embassy Muscat were awarded by Chief guest Dr. Syed Ahsan Jamil along with Principal Mr. Deepak Patankar. An electrifying declamation on famous speech of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose by Miss Sreenidhi of Class 4 G left everyone spell bound.

The spirit of nationalism was brought alive with rendition of patriotic song by students of class VI and VII. Principal Mr. Deepak Patankar in his address reflected on the theme for this year's Republic Day celebration 'Jan Bhagidari' which means participation of the common people. He briefed about the various programmes started by Indian government in fields of education, industries and commerce, defense and stressed the importance of collaboration to facilitate overall development of the nation. He expressed his gratitude to parents and community at large for their constant support during testing times. A speech in Hindi by Sheikh Maseera Mehwish and Maryam Urooj from Class III amplified everyone's patriotic spirit. An air of patriotic fervor permeated the atmosphere with energetic dance performance on patriotic songs mashup by students of Class VII. The soulful rendition of Vande Mataram by students of Class IV mesmerized the audience.

The compering team comprising of Master Siddharth, Miss Nicole, Miss Esther, Master Ishan, Miss Niya, Master Oliver, Miss Mahima, Miss Ananya, Miss Pahuni and Miss Fida did a commendable anchoring. The programme concluded with vote of thanks proposed by Miss Darsha from Class 7B.

### **CCA COMPETITIONS**

The competitions were conducted class wise. Two students from each section of classes V - XII were selected as the finalists. The competitions conducted this year are as follows:

- 1. Regional Solo Song (Classes 9-12)
- 2. Turncoat Debate (Classes 9& 10)
- 3. Turncoat Debate (Classes 11&12)
- 4. Multimedia Presentation (Classes 9-12)
- 5. Declamation (Classes 7& 8)
- 6. Regional Solo Song (Classes 7& 8)
- 7. English Poetry Recitation (Classes 5 & 6)
- 8. Regional Solo Song (Classes 5 & 6)
- 9. English Creative Writing (Classes 5-12)

# **INTERSCHOOL EVENTS 2022-23**

### INDIAN SCHOOL SALALAH EXCELS IN AMBASSADOR'S POLEMIC CHALLENGE



**Congrats ISS** 

MANY CONGRATULATIONS to our school ISS for consistent achievement in inter school competitions! In the Ambassador's Polemic Challenge inter school debate competition organized by BOD through the host school Al Ghubra today in Muscat, our school student Master Ruthik Maruti Kambali of 11 A won the BEST SPEAKER (BEST DEBATER) AWARD competing against 32 participants from 16 Indian Schools. A proud moment for our school which has been consistently bagging awards in Ambassador's trophy for the last six years. The topic of the debate was ' Social media has brought the people together than before' and our Winner boy spoke for the motion. Our school team was represented by Master Samved Shaji Nambiar of 12 C and Master Ruthik Maruti Kambali of 11 A.





### ISF IGNITER Inter School Science Quiz 2022



Miss Zaina Fathima Master. Aditya Verma

With an aim to cultivate an environment conducive to scientific learning, Indian Club (ISC)Muscat Social competion conducted quiz IGNITER called 2022. The school emerged as champions in the junior category, which was represented by Miss Zaina Fathima (VIII C) and Mast.

Aditya Verma (VIII A) In the senior category which was represented by Miss. Joanna Susan Alex (10 G) and Mast. Shalomon Juby (10 G) the school emerged as first runner up position. This online quiz competition was conducted by Indian Science Forum under the aegis of Indian Social Club Oman. The quiz was conducted in 4

all of them being stages, online, for the students Indian studying in various Schools Oman in in two categories - Juniors (classes 5 to 8) and Seniors (classes 9 to 12). The finals of the guiz were conducted virtually on November 4<sup>th</sup> by the quiz Master Mr. Hala Jamal, From our school we had 28 teams from the junior category registering while from the seniors we had 16 teams. After the 1<sup>st</sup> prelim followed by semi finals and knock out

semi finals the best 6 teams from each category made it into the finals. The school team from both the Junior and senior category made it into the finals.



Master Shalomon Juby Miss. Joanna Susan Alex

### AKAM (INDIA@75) INTERSCHOOL EVENT



#### INDIAN SCHOOL SALALAH EXCELS IN AKAM (INDIA@75) INTERSCHOOL EVENT

Under the aegis of the Board of Directors, Indian Schools in Oman, Indian School Muscat organized AKAM (India@75) interschool competition on 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2022. The competitions were conducted under three categories - senior, junior and open category. Students from Indian School Salalah participated in various events such as Ted Talks, Prop Box Play, Poem recitation (Self composed), Medley of Patriotic songs, Painting and Sports events – Football junior & senior and Basketball seniors (girls). Meghalaya, the state which Indian School Salalah got for pavilion was the showstopper of the event. The major attractions of Meghalaya were well exhibited by the students through models, paintings, songs and dance performance in their traditional costumes. The students' creativity and elucidation of each and every exhibit of Meghalaya was well appreciated by all who visited the pavilion. The pavilion team consisting of Jannet Amy Jobis of class XI E, Aardra Harikumar of VIII E, Parvathi Unikkat of VIII E, Abhilash Kurungotte of IX A, Aysha Mehrin Nariyampully of IX C, Hanna Maria of VIII D and Bhagialakshmi of class XD secured A++ grade for their outstanding performance.

Zaina Fathima of VIII C secured A++ grade and Aradhya Ganesan Viswanathan of V G received A grade in Ted Talks junior category. Samved Shaji Nambiar of class XII C secured A+ grade and Ruthik Maruti Kambali of class XI A secured A grade in Ted Talks senior category. Siddhi Manish Pitroda of class IX E (senior category) secured A++ for Poetry Recitation (Hindi), Zaina Fathima of VIII C and Yazhini Panbu Premkumar of VII B secured A grade for Poetry recitation in the junior category and Ruthik .M.K of XI A, J. Raizel Rayna of XI A, Hazel Babu of X E and Kanan Bhatia of class IX D (Hindi)) secured A grade for Poetry Recitation in the senior category.

The team consisting of Fizza Basheer Njavarattil of XI A, Thamanna Nishthar of XI B, Sam George Thomas of XI B, Riya Khan K.V of XI E, Rachel Jeanna Meeran of IX G, Arjunn Konduru Mohindhar of VIII A, Daksha Pillai of VIII D, Ritika Jethin of VIII E, Aksa Susan Manoj of VII D and Hamna Nishthar of VII F secured A++ grade for their exuberant Medley of Patriotic Songs (Open Category)

The events were a fusion of talent, imagination, creativity and alertness and the students got a great exposure to participate offline, after the Covid 19 pandemic.

### **INDIAN SCHOOL SALALAH EXCELS IN STAI 2022**









To showcase the talents of the craving young minds in the areas of Science, Technology and innovation, Indian School Darsait, under the aegis of the Board of Directors, Indian Schools in Oman hosted STAI 2022. The competitions were conducted in hybrid mode with few events online and rest offline. Mobile App Development, Code Wars, Science Skit and Science e-Magazine were conducted online and Digital Symposium, Science Exhibition and Mathematics Exhibition, were the conducted offline. Students of Indian School Salalah enthusiastically participated in all the events and received merit certificates. The results are as follows.

The team consisting of Aman Jahfar, Marshell Angelo Christopher and Savio Xavier of class XII secured A grade for Mobile App Development. The Code wars team secured A grade and the team members were Bavish Mangalore Manjunath, MD Neamur Rabbi and Savio Xavier of class XII. The team members of the Science Skit were Neeraj Nitha Raveendran Nair, Advaith Manoj, Sreedarsh Kaitheri Manikoth and Sreenanda Kaitheri Manikoth of class IX, Lekshmi Roj S, Mohnish Kumar Hemnani and Sadhya Garg of class XI and Pradnya Upadhyay of Class X and they secured B grade. Mohnish Kumar Hemnani, Neelesh Kumar Kataria and Fizza Basheer Njavarattil of class XI received Participation Certificate for Science E magazine.

Muhammed Shamlal of class X, Mohnish Kumar Hemnani of class XI and Samved Shaji Nambiar of class XII secured A grade for Digital Symposium which was held on the inaugural day, that is, 27<sup>th</sup> August 2022. The team that represented for the Maths Exhibition was Niyathi Nambiar of class V, Dharsha Vigneswari Saravanan of class VII and Nuwaif Tauseef Ahmed Ansari of class VIII secured A+ grade. Anushka Onkar Naik of class IX and Aswin Venkata Subramanian of class X received Participation Certificate for Science exhibition. The Maths and Science exhibition was scheduled on 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2022 and the day marked the end of STAI 2022.

The students were appreciated by one and all for their wonderful achievements. This platform aided the curious hearts and the creative minds to explore their scientific, technical and computing skills.







### IS SALALAH WINS TIMES OF OMAN QUIZ (JUNIOR)



Many Congratulations to our school for consistent and successful accomplishment in inter-school competitions!

In Times of Oman Inter-school Quiz, our students made a clean sweep by winning in the Junior category that was held at City Amphitheatre Qurum Muscat on 28 Oct. 2022.

Our Junior team comprising Miss. Zaina Fathima of class VIII and Master Joel Paul Sabu of class VIII won the Championship competing against 150 plus participants from both Indian and international schools across the Sultanate. Master Shalomon Juby of class X and Miss Joanna Susan Alex of X class represented our school in Senior category.

It is indeed a proud moment for our school which has been consistently bagging prizes in Times of Oman Quiz for many years. It proves that there is no substitute for diligent work and this is a sweet fruit of diligent work of our team.

Congratulations to the teachers and students on their AWESOME WIN!!!







### **ISQUIZ 2022**

The 4<sup>th</sup> edition of the muchawaited ISQUIZ 2022 under the aegis of board directors in Oman was hosted by Indian School Al Maabela.

1 team each from both the Junior and the senior category of our school made it to the finals and the junior team consisting of Miss Zaina Fathima (VIII C) and Mast. Aditya Verma (VIII A) bagged the championship position. It is to be noted that the Junior team were champions last year too when it was conducted online hosted by Indian School Muscat.

Indian School Muscat.

The senior team consisting of Miss Adithya Manoj (XI C) and Mast. Aaron Reji Thomas (IX A) finished fourth losing in the tie breaker after giving a tough competition.

The quiz was conducted in 4 stages for the students studying in Indian schools in Oman in two categories – Junior (classes 5 to 8) and Seniors (classes 9 to 12). From our school we had 106 registrations for the junior category and from the senior we had 56 registrations.

Around ten thousand students from all the school in Oman took part in this competition.

After the two online prelims the best 5 teams from both the junior and the senior category of our school got qualified for the mega prelims who competed with other teams from various Indian Schools in Oman on December 8, which was conducted in Indian School Al Maabela School auditorium Muscat.

The best 8 teams from both the junior and senior qualified for the finals which was conducted on 9<sup>th</sup> November in Indian School Al Maabela

in Indian School Al Maabela school premises.

The mega prelims and the finals were conducted face to face directly by renowned quiz master Mr Adittya Nath Mubayi (KBC fame).

An in-house individual quiz was conducted for the sub -junior category (classes 1 to 4) and Miss Fathima of class II C was the school champion while Miss Snehli Kumari Shaw of class IV G was the first runner up. This quiz was conducted in the school where 104 students took part.





## JUNIORS -WINNERS OF ISQUIZ 2022







It was a proud moment for Indian School Salalah when the junior team of IS Salalah (Zaina Fathima and Aditya Verma of class 8) clinched the winners trophy in inter school ISQuiz 2022 held at Indian School Al Maabela, under the ageis of BOD, Indian schools in Oman on Thursday, 8th December 2022 in the capital city Muscat conducted by the famous quiz master Mr.Adittya Nath Mubayi. This is the third consecutive victory in just a span of 2 months for the junior ISS team who won the Times of Oman quiz, ISF Igniter Quiz and now **ISQUIZ.** The senior team of ISS comprising Aaron Reji Thomas of class 9 and Adithya Manoj of class 11 finished fourth missing the second runner up position in a tie breaker for the third spot. Ten thousand students across 18 Indian schools participated in the prelims of the IS Quiz. 51 juniors and 43 seniors got selected for the mega prelims. From these, 8 teams got into the finals and IS SALALAH clinched the winners trophy. Kudos to the student participants and the teacher incharges. The school management, Principal and the staff appreciate the consistent victorious achievements of ISS team in inter school events.







Indian School Salalah Clinches the Most-Coveted Indian School Talent Fest <u>Trophy- 2022</u>



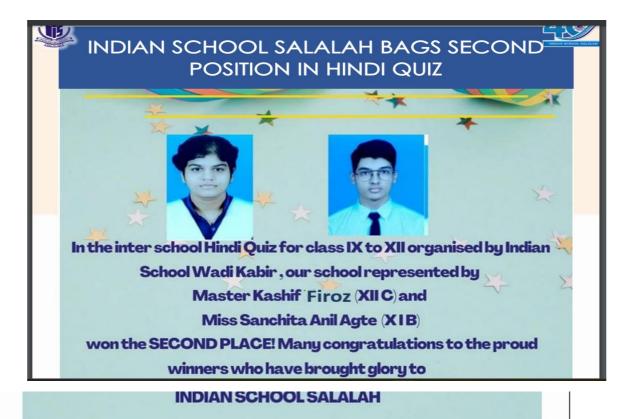
Distance is not a barrier for IS Salalah to achieve success and laurels. Travelling 1000kms, our students contested against 20 Indian Schools across the Sultanate to lift the trophy on Saturday, 29 October 2022 with 233 points.

Under the aegis of The Board of Directors, Indian Schools-Oman, Indian School Al Seeb hosted the Talent Fest, an Inter-School Panorama of cultural events for the academic year 2022-23 for two days from 28 October 2022 to 29 October 2022.

Students from Indian School Salalah showcased their talents with poise and confidence in various activities ranging from dances and music to literary events and art. The ingenuity of the students in the literary events was extremely splendid as they secured a whooping A+ in all the events in this category. The performance in the Musical events is worth mentioning too as they won the appreciation and admiration of the audience.

Based on the performance, the students were graded A+, A, B+, B and C and IS Salalah scored A+ in fourteen events out of the 21.

The icing on the cake was the amazing reception given by the school Principal Mr. Deepak Patankar, Dr. Muhammed Yusoof, (Convenor-SMC), Mr. Yaser Mohammed M.V (Chairman, CCA-sub-committee-SMC), Mr. P.L.Eapen (Chairman-Sports subcommittee-SMC), Dr. Shaji Sreedhar, (Chairman-Purchase & Infrastructure committee-SMC), AVPs, parents, teachers and students to these winners when they returned to school with the trophy. The President of SMC- Dr. Syed Ahsan Jamil, members of SMC, Principal, the entire faculty and parents congratulated and appreciated the incredible performance of ISS students.







5 TH MATHEMATICS QUIZ COMPETITION HELD IN DHOFAR UNIVERSITY ON WEDNESDAY,09/11/2022.

Our students Master Amogh Malviya (XIB) secured 1 st place and Master Ciras Madhu SmaranReddy (XIA) secured 2 nd place in individual category. Out of 14 schools participated, our school students Master Amogh Malviya (XIB), Master Ciras Madhu Smaran Reddy(XIA) Miss.Prarthana Rajesh (XIA) and Master Ujjwal Wahi (XIB) were selected as the best four students in the competition.

Indian School Salalah won the overall championship trophy for the 5 th consecutive year.



In the 4th inter school 'SCIENCE FAIR' conducted on 20th March, 2023 by Dhofar University, in Computer Science category, Indian School Salalah team comprising Mast. Mohnish Kumar Hemnani (XII std), Ms. Rachel Jeanna Meeran and Ms. Vareesha Javed (X std) won the FIRST PRIZE for their presentation on the topic-'All about Artificial Intelligence and more'.

The team was trained by Mrs. Purnima Santosh (Faculty-Computer Science) and guided by Mr. Mohammed Javed (HOD Computer Science).

The School management, Principal, AVPs and the staff congratulated and appreciated the effort of the team.

# INDIAN SCHOOL SALALAH 40<sup>th</sup> YEAR CELEBRATION



#### A PEEK INTO THE 40th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS AT INDIAN SCHOOL SALALAH

Four decades of service to the society and humanity is a huge milestone by any yardstick for an expat community school in the Middle East. The school which was established in 1981 with around 74 students has completed its 40 glorious years in 2021, and the strength has touched 4000. This institution named Indian School Salalah, from its humble beginning, has grown leaps and bounds and still stands tall and proud. In 2021, this reputed institution, known for its educational excellence, completed 40 glorious years of its mission of spreading the light of knowledge, to both Indian and international students. Since its inception, it has grown steadfast in its purpose of spreading light, apt to the motto of the school, "Tamasoma Jyotirgamaya". From humble beginnings in 1981 with around 74 children, the school today is the largest coeducational institution in the Dhofar region with nearly 4000 students. The school has planned a series of value-added activities, befitting its Vision, Mission and Quality Objectives, to commemorate this occasion.

To commemorate the 40 years of magnificent achievement, the school organised a yearlong series of events that commenced on 21st May 2022 and reached its majestic culmination on 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2022 with the grand Carnival. A series of classroom activities were conducted for the students of various grades. Clay Modelling, 40<sup>th</sup> year Logo Making with Fruits, Crossword Puzzle, Word Search, Brain Teaser, Brochure Making were the activities conducted. All the students actively participated in the events and became a part of the 40th year celebration.

A new facelift for the school is the need of the hour, to comply to the needs of the present generation. The yearlong events conducted as a part of the 40th year celebration was successful in bringing together the different sections of the community under one umbrella.

Another major highlight was the digital release of the Souvenir 2022 to honour the voyage of successful 40 years. This souvenir will be an emerald in the crown of ISS. Furthermore, to complement the attractions of the day.

## INDIAN SCHOOL SALALAH KICKS OFF 40<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS WITH BLOOD DONATION CAMP



Indian School Salalah completed its 40 glorious years in 2021. Indian School Salalah, since its inception, has grown steadfast in its purpose of spreading light, apt to the motto of the school, "Tamasoma Jyotirgamaya". Indian School Salalah kicked off the yearlong fiesta of 40th Anniversary celebrations to commemorate the four decades of magnificent achievement with the most virtuous deed on earth, i.e., donating blood selflessly, on 21 May 2022.

The inaugural function commenced with the school choir's musical rendition of the school Anthem, 'We the Children....' The eminent guests of honour were Mr. Rakesh Jha, the President Indian Social Club, Dr. Sanathanan, Honorary Consular Agent, Embassy of India to Oman, esteemed members of the School Management Committee, the Principal, and the staff of Indian School Salalah. Mr. Anto Lalu, faculty, Commerce Department, formally welcomed the gathering.

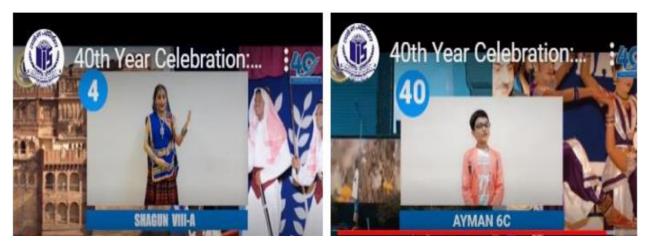
The President of the School Management Committee, Dr. Syed Ahsan Jamil, the Deputy Vice Chancellor of Dhofar University, addressed the gathering. In his address, he called the 40th year of ISS a Saga and also recalled the struggles faced by the pioneer SMC Presidents, member SMC Principals, and the staff who strived to build this temple of learning and sustain it for 40 years and thanked them wholeheartedly for their contribution and sacrifice. Dr. Sanathanan conveyed his best wishes for the yearlong celebrations to mark the 40th year. Mr. Rakesh Jha expressed his joy in being part of this grand celebration and promised to contribute to the school in the best possible manner. Principal Indian School Salalah Mr. Deepak Patankar, in his address, thanked the President, SMC, and the staff members for their initiation to mark the saga of 40 glorious years.

Thereafter, the President of SMC, Dr. Syed Ahsan Jamil, and the Principal, Mr. Deepak Patankar, felicitated the non-teaching and the teaching staff for their 32-year long association with the school, namely Mr. P. T. Ismail (Senior office clerk), and Ms. Winnifred Lobo, Faculty Department of Mathematics, thricenominee for the Naveen Asher Kazi Award. They have served this prestigious institution with great dedication and commitment. The formal programme anchored by Mrs. Tabassum Farhan (Faculty, English dept) concluded with the vote of thanks proposed by Mr. Parvinder Singh, Faculty Department of Physical Education.

The Blood Donation Drive was the main objective of the inaugural function. In the next segment, the celebration continued as the donors with smiling faces wholeheartedly volunteered to donate their blood to

save precious lives. The team of Blood Bank of Sultan Qaboos Hospital Salalah, led by Mr. Ansari rendered their free service to this noble cause. The SMC members Mr. Sanjeev Kumar Singh (Vice-President of SMC) and Dr. Abubacker Siddique (Treasurer of SMC), Principal Mr. Deepak Patankar, Assistant VicePrincipal Mr. Vipindas and around 34 staff members contributed to this virtuous cause. While the day's proceedings concluded with the Blood Donation Drive, the yearlong celebrations will continue to keep the staff and the students on their toes. The galore of events will culminate with the Grand Carnival on 22 December 2022.

## INDIAN SCHOOL SALALAH CELEBRATES 40 YEARS IN 40 LANGUAGES



Every success story always starts with a dream. Indian school Salalah was also started with a dream to accomplish its vision, mission and quality of educating students not only in academics but also to prepare them as global citizens who make a mark where ever they go. The alumni of the school spread out in different parts of the world keep the flag of Indian School Salalah flying high. What better way could the students find to be a part of this gala event, than wishing their Alma Mater in their own language? The school caters to students from many different nationalities who come under the roof of the school as one beautiful family.

Forty students were selected across all the classes – from kindergarten to high school. Each of them wished the school on its anniversary and also expressed their pure love for this institution. The videos of the students dressed in their traditional costume and wishing their school presented a perfect example of Unity in Diversity as students wished their school in many Indian languages like Hindi, Marathi, Tamil, Malayalam, Sindhi, Punjabi, Odiya, Assamese. Students also wished in Russian, Chinese, German, Syrian, Spanish, Kenyan, Arabic etc.All the videos were compiled and was shown to the students on 1 st June 2022. It was well received and appreciated by all.

#### **TREE PLANTATION DRIVE**

The school carried out a 'Tree Plantation Drive', one of the year long programmes in the school premises in September. Its main objective was to promote environmental sensitivity among the students which is one of the quality objectives as well as the guiding values of the school. Altogether 40 saplings were planted to mark the 40th anniversary of the school. The tree plantation drive was a huge success and created environmental awareness among the younger generation. The event was attended by the school management committee, Principal, AVPs, staff and students. Mr. Daison Davis, Manager, Malabar gold also graced this occasion.



## INDIAN SCHOOL SALALAH ORGANIZES CLEAN-UP DRIVE AS PART OF THE

## 40<sup>th</sup> YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION



'Cleanliness is next to Godliness.' To mark the celebrations of the 153<sup>rd</sup> birth anniversary of the Father of the Nation Mahatma Gandhi, the 40th Year Celebration team along with the Eco Club of Indian School Salalah conducted a Clean-up drive at Dhariz beach, Salalah on October 2, 2022. The main objective of the event was to work towards an eco-friendly environment and to provide the values of environmental consciousness by developing environmental ethics among the students. As part of the programme, 60 Students from the Eco Club and 25 teachers enthusiastically participated in the beach cleaning event which is one of the yearlong programmes to commemorate the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the school.

The event was inaugurated by Mr. Deepak Patankar, Principal of Indian School Salalah. He expressed his pleasure and delight in being a part of this noble initiative and congratulated the students and the teachers for their contribution. Dr. Muhammed Yousoof, convenor of the School Management Committee along with Mr. Yaser Mohammed M.V, Dr. Shaji Sreedhar, Mr. Mohammad Jabir Shareef, (members of the School Management Committee), and the Assistant Vice Principals, Mr. Vipindas and Mrs. Anita Rose were also a part of the event. The clean-up drive came to itsculmination with the vote of thanks proposed by Mrs. Anita Rose, the Assistant Vice Principal. Highlighting the importance of securing a clean environment, Mrs. Anita Rose appreciated the efforts taken by the students. The clean-up drive was a huge success and created environmental awareness among the younger generation.



#### PALM ART FEST

To commemorate the 40 anniversary of the school, a 'Palm Art Fest' was conducted by the Fine Arts department on16 October 2022. As a part of this programme a scenery was created on a 40 m cloth canvas. The esteemed members of the SMC Dr. Abubacker Siddique,(Treasurer), Mr. P.L. Eapen, Dr. Shaji Sreedhar, Ms.Harmit Pal, Principal Mr. Deepak Patankar, Assistant Vice Principals Mr. Vipindas and Mrs. Anita Rose, teachers and the students attended the Formal inauguration. Ms. Anita Rose, Assistant Vice Principal welcomed the gathering. Ms. Harmit Pal, Member School Management Committee, in her address expressed her pleasure and delight on being a part of this colourful initiative.

Children from classes I to V dipped their palms in colours and made beautiful prints. They made different scenes like garden, river and mountain areas with the help of this exclusive technique of printing. Teachers as well as children explored this interesting way of printing and had lots of fun with colours. The 40 m cloth canvas had a magic of hues and left the viewer's awestruck.

#### **HISTORIC 40 HOURS RELAY READING**



Commemorating its 40 year of establishment, Indian School Salalah held record-breaking Relay Reading for continuous 40 hours on 28 and 29 of November,2022. The occasion commenced at 7am on 28 November with an impressive address by Mrs. Anita Rose, AVP. Inaugurated by Dr. Syed Ahsan Jamil, President, School Management Committee reading Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam's "You Are Unique", the event was taken over by the esteemed members of SMC, Principal, Mr. Deepak Patankar, HoDs, teachers, parents, students and alumni. With the participation of more than 700 readers, the eventful endeavour came to its culmination at 11pm on 29 November 2022 with the reading done by Deputy Head Boy Master Amogh Malviya and Deputy Head Girl Miss Thamanna Nishthar followed by a note of gratitude and appreciation by Dr. Syed Ahsan Jamil, President, SMC, Principal Mr. Deepak Patankar and Mrs. Anita Rose. The event was held with the objective to promote reading...

#### FOOTBALL SHOOTOUT TOURNAMENT



As part of its 40th year celebration, Indian School Salalah organized a grand football shoot out for its students, parents and alumni on 24 November 2022 in its playground. The tournament was kicked off by Dr. Navaneetha Krishnan Rajagopal, Co-convenor, SMC at 5 pm. Out of 35 teams in students' segment, the teams Zufar FC and WalAllah came into the finals in which WalAllah team comprised by Zaahar, Muhammed, Muhammed Amen, Febin, Saif and Shahzor won the match. With 14 teams, the segment for the parents and alumni was kicked off by Mr. Yaser Mohammed M.V, member, SMC and ChairmanC.C.A 40th year celebration committee. The team Sapil FC lifted the trophy defeating Brothers FC in the finals. In ladies' shoot out, Cool Clan led by Ms Cini Jayaprakash lifted the trophy while Grace Re-Loaded led by Ms Purnima bagged the runner up position. The President of the School Management Committee, Dr. Syed Ahsan Jamil and esteemed members of SMC along with Principal Mr. Deepak Patankar gave away the trophies and medals to the winners. The special invitee Mrs. Sabeeha Naheed Ali gave away the prizes to the winners of the ladies' segment.

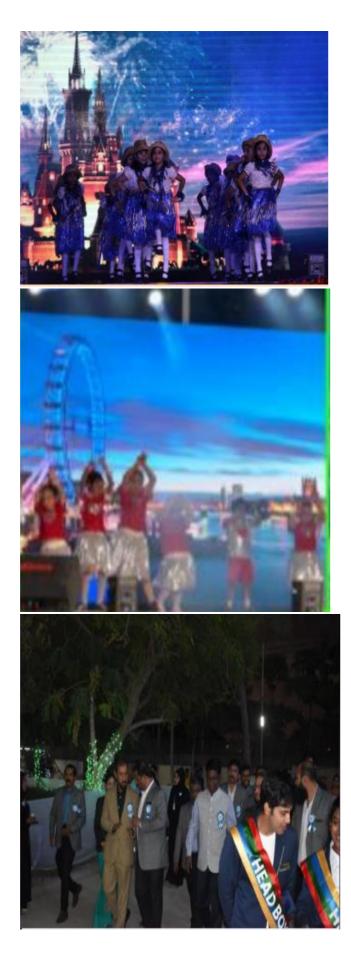
#### **MEGA RANGOLI**



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## **MEGA CARNIVAL NIGHT**







Indian School Salalah, marking the culmination of year-long 40th Anniversary celebration, organised its most-awaited Carnival Night in the school premises on 22 December 2022 at 5pm. As the chief guest, Dr. Sivakumar Manickam, Chairman, Board of Directors, Indian Schools in Oman graced the occasion. The occasion was also graced by Mr. Sirajudeen Nhelat, Board of Directors, Indian Schools in Oman and Prof. Amer Ali Al Rawas, Vicechancellor, Dhofar University as guests of honour. Dr. Syed Ahsan Jamil, president, School Management Committee extended formal welcome to all.

Bringing the families, friends and the community together for hours-long fun-filled social activities, the event here featured a series of songs, dances, games and a variety of enjoyments with multicuisine food stalls. The event, with more than 400 students' participation was on track for cultural extravaganza . To specially commemorate the 40th anniversary students showcased culturally rich and vibrant 40 dance performances around the world. There were several food stalls serving delicacies from different parts of India and the Middle East. To make the occasion more auspicious as well as colourful, students and teachers under the supervision of Art department made beautiful and attractive mega rangoli.



#### ANNUAL DAY CELEBRATION

Indian School Salalah celebrated the Annual Day on 3rd February 2023 with exuberance and ardour. This year's annual day celebration in fact reflected the magnificent journey of 40 years of hard work and dedication put up by this temple of learning. The day witnessed the presence of the President of the School Management Committee Dr. Syed Ahsan Jamil, other esteemed members of the School Management Committee, Ex-members of the School Management Committee, Chairman of Indian Social Club Mr. Rakesh Kumar Jha, Dr. Sanathanan, Honorary Consular Agent, Embassy of India to Oman, Principal Mr. Deepak Patankar, Assistant Vice Principals, In-charges, Heads of the Department, Parents, staff and students. The programme commenced with the welcome address by Principal Mr Deepak Patankar. In his address he expressed his gratitude to Parents, students, teachers and all well- wishers. He specially thanked the community and expressed the vision of the new building.

The celebration started off with a musical touch. A welcome song was dedicated to all the invitees with great reverence and hospitality by the talented school choir of Indian School Salalah. The formal function in the evening, as per school tradition, commenced with the rendering of prayer song to invoke the Almighty's blessings which was followed by the Royal Anthem of Oman and the National Anthem of India . It was followed by the lighting of the auspicious lamp by Dr. Syed Ahsan Jamil, other esteemed members of the School Management Committee and Principal Mr Deepak Patankar. The academic excellence achieved by the students in CBSE board exams during the academic year 2021-22 was fittingly recognized by the Proficiency awards. The subject toppers in the Science and Commerce streams of grade XII and toppers of grade X were gleaming with joy and gratification as they (students and parents) (received the prizes for their yearlong painstaking effort The prize winners were awarded by the President Dr. Syed Ahsan Jamil other esteemed members of the School Management Committee and Principal Mr. Deepak Patankar. The 40<sup>th</sup> -year celebration video commenced with a virtual display of the Blood Donation Drive followed by a series of events throughout the year that resulted in the Annual Day celebration. Mementoes were presented to SMC members, Ex- SMC members(Mr.H.S.Subramanya, Mr.Jonathan and Dr.Nishtar) Mr. Rakesh Jha, President Indian Social Club, other members of ISC, Representatives of different wings of ISC, Mr. Rassal Mohammed, President School Management Committee, IS Thumrait, Souvenir Inchargers – Mr. C. T Ramasamy and Mr. Yeswanth, 40th year core committee – Mr. Sinu Krishnan, Mr. Suhaib, Mrs. Reeshma and Mrs. Deepthi, School Admin Team – Mrs. Anjali, Mrs. Anita Rose, Mr. Vipin Das and Principal Mr Deepak Patankar as a token of love and appreciation for the services rendered to the institution. The institution expressed its heartfelt gratitude to all the generous sponsors who have wholeheartedly supported to make the 40th year souvenir a reality.

The digital release of the souvenir "ASPIRE" by the President of SMC Dr. Syed Ahsan Jamil was the highlight of the grand celebration The most coveted NABET Certificate was handed over to the honourable President, Dr Syed Ahsan Jamil by the Principal Mr. Deepak Patankar. Principal Mr Deepak Patankar and the honourable President Dr Syed Ahsan Jamil, felicitated the Accreditation Coordinator, Mrs Anita Rose, Assistant Vice Principal ,NABET Team, the Deputy Accreditation Coordinators, Mr Vipindas Assistant Vice Principal and Mr Binoy C.A Faculty English Department, Mrs Harmit Pal, Chairman Academic sub-committee and Mr. Naveenth Krishna, Co- Convenor, SMC. The NABET core team members, Mrs. Anita Rose, Mr.Vipin Das, Mr. Binoy C.A Mr. James, Mr. Amit, Mrs. Ramsheeda, Mrs Anjali and Mrs. Sreevidya were felicitated by the President of the School Management Committee Dr. Syed Ahsan Jamil for the tremendous effort put forth by them in achieving this certificate. The entertainment segment bore testimony to the rigorous and diligent endeavors put in by the teachers and the students to showcase various talents in children.

The cultural fiesta triggered with a spectacular display of 40 dance forms with colourful performances from different parts of the world. The audience were immersed in the ocean of this

exuberant evening filled with fun and frolic. The spellbinding Chinese Dance appreciated the beauty of nature and the amazing singers of theatre duet served a splendid and entertaining musical treat. All were inspired by the roots of culture through the melodious folk song. These performances had bagged A and A+ grades in the ISTF competition in Muscat. The Fusion song, with music and dance captivated both the heart, soul and the mind of the audience. Reclaim the Runway with models portrayed themselves as mother earth that adorned various waste materials. The flash mob permeated the atmosphere with energetic dance performance on songs mashup by students of IS Salalah and IS Thumrait. The act of the comperers joining the strands from one item to the next was commendable. The colourfully bedecked stage, back dropped with wide high definition LED video wall was well set for the exuberant display of talents. The cultural extravaganza which included a mosaic of dances, music and performances were ingeniously conceptualized, minutely planned and immaculately accomplished. The cultural programmes rose to its zenith with the Rock Band by school orchestra when the students manifested their skills on various musical instruments.

The programme concluded with vote of thanks proposed by Mrs Reeshma, member-40th year core committee and teaching faculty, Department of Commerce.