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From the Editor's Desk ...

Mrs. Shahina Mahmood

Dear Readers, Assalamu alaikum,

A new session began — with hope and energy and a bit of concern for the situation in the country. The city conditions, which dictate how our educational institutes operate, pose problems but it's nothing that the school cannot overcome. There are tremendous learning activities planned for the entire year... some get

postponed depending on closures, some we stoically accomplish.

Our fledgelings are being trained to take up the challenge of an ever-changing social fabric in a competitive global setting and it is our endeavour that this end is achieved with a little push in the right direction.

Happy flying with us this year! •

Parents' Orientation Meetings

Parents' Orientation Meetings were held in the months of August and September by the Principal, Mrs. Shahina Mahmood, for the parents of preprimary and O' Level students.

The meetings were followed by question and answer sessions and the Parent Handbook, prepared by the Principal, was distributed among the parents in the end. •

Flood Relief Campaign

In the wake of devastating floods in major regions of Pakistan, students and staff of Education Bay gathered and packed clothing for flood victims under Ms. Sohnal Shah's supervision during the month of August as part of their Community Service Club activity.

The students also open heartedly purchased food packages prepared by the administration to be sent to the victims.

The relief supplies were dispatched to the affected areas under the supervision of school's administration to ensure that the aid reaches trusted hands. •

Come to the edge.
We might fall.
Come to the edge.
It's too high.
Come to the edge!
And they came.
and he pushed,
and they flew.
~Christopher Loque

If we had no winter, the spring would not be so pleasant: if we did not sometimes taste of adversity, prosperity would not be so welcome.

~Anne Bradstreet



The Goodness of Green Tea

- Drinking green tea inhibits the growth of certain cancer cells, reduces the level of cholesterol in blood & improves the ratio of good cholesterol to bad cholesterol.
- It is used to raise the metabolism and increase fat oxidation.
- It reduces the risk of heart diseases and heart attacks by reducing the risk of trombosis.

Sadaga Collection

Like every year, the sadaqa collection activity began during Ramadan in all classes. The school provided each classroom with a money-bank to collect charity for the poor. The school also contributed the initial amount in each money bank.

The activity continued throughout the holy month.



At the end of Ramadan the amount was donated to Anjuman-e-Kashana-e-Atfaal by a group of O Level students.

The aim of this endeavour is to inculcate in children a sense of gratitude for the blessings they have as well as a spirit of sharing with others. •

Eid Celebrations

After the month of Ramadan the students celebrated Eid-ul-Fitr at school in September.

The children came dressed up in their colourful Eid clothes and brought eatables to share with their friends at the

Eid Milan party.

An Eid Card Competition was also held in the primary and secondary sections and winners were awarded certificates.

Qirat Competition

A Qirat Competition was held in the primary and secondary sections for students from grade II –VII in school on 19th October.

The competition was judged by Ms. Maryam and the winners were awarded certificates of achievement. ◆

Bake Sale

Students of Grade VIII, IX, X and XI held a booming bake sale in October!

Students brought scrumptious food items from homes and sold them during breaktime to an



enthusiastic group of teachers and student body.

The amount generated was used to buy new books for the school library! •

Sports in Spotlight

The Annual Sports Day for girls (Montessori–XI) was held in the school premises on 6th November. Students participated zealously in various sporting events and races. Winners were awarded gold and silver medals.

Girls Inter-House throwball match was also held in school between Team A (Grade VI –VIII) and Team B (Grade IX-XI). Team B bagged the trophy!

Secondary boys have been going for football practice at Rahat Stadium for Championship Leaugue matches. A special coach, Mr. Muhammad Ali

(Ma'am) is training the students after school hours for these challenging matches.

Mr. Ashraf, the basketball coach, has been training our boys' team which has won two inter-school matches against Froebel and AMI. •

Name the only sport ever played on moon!
Go to page 4 for the answer.

Preprimary News

The little ones in the preprimary sections have been actively engaged in various academic activities.

An exciting Colour Week was celebrated in September. Montessori students came all dressed up in the relevant theme colours and participated in fun art & craft work. These little ones also celebrated a Fruit Day where Ms. Huma Zahidi taught them how to wash fruits, examine the seeds and feel the different textures of the fruits' skin. Watermelons were also painted on paper plates by the kids.

Montessori kids also had a whale of an exciting time during a puppet show

conducted by their teacher in their class.

Lower & Upper Nursery children had their share of fun with their teachers Ms Shazia Khan & Ms. Sarwat Ali in the playground where they gathered under a brightly crafted canopy to prepare a colourful fruit salad with the nutritious fruits they had brought from home.

The preprimary also celebrated a Pet Day on which children brought their pets to school and talked about them. Perky parrots, tiny turtles, rabbits and fish, all settled down cosily inside the classrooms with their proud little owners!

Primary News

The students of primary section came up with colourful class projects before the October Assessments. Creative models of laptops, coffee machines and dream houses were displayed in classrooms.

Children of class II composed poems on a 'Rainy Day' whereas grade III students flew on their wings of imagination and wrote poems on 'Birds'.

Handwriting and Creative Writing competitions were held in the primary

Reminder

- PTM will be held on the 8th of Jan '11 for all classes.
- The first Assessment tests for 2nd Term will begin in February. Projectwork/ Presentation, Quiz and Orals for grades I-VIII will be taken in the month of Jan/Feb before the Assessments.

section in October and winners were awarded certificates. ♦

Secondary News

The academics were in full swing in the secondary section.

Grade VII students got hands-on information about the process of respiration by making pizza dough in school and observing the rising effects of yeast. Their efforts were rewarded with a mini pizza party once the pizza was baked in the school canteen.

Grade VI-A endeavoured to make a pinhole camera whereas VI-B ventured to make a successful lighthouse as part of their science projects.

Ms. Ghazala Khursheed is happy with the overall improved performance of VIII-A girls.

Members of the Arts & Crafts Club have started making craft items to sell at the upcoming Art Exhibition in March.

Grade VII created charts and posters about endangered animal species as part of their English project.

Creative Writing competition was also held in all classes and the winners were awarded certificates.

The secondary students have also launched Classroom Newsletters prepared by themselves to keep the parents updated on what goes on monthly in the classrooms.

Didaskaleinophobia is the fear of going to school!



Hot Chocolate

Ingredients

- 2 1/2 cups milk, scalded
- 2 oz unsweetened chocolate
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1 tsp vanilla
- 1/8 tsp salt

Preparation

 In a blender, combine chocolate, sugar, vanilla and salt, with 1/2 cup of the milk. Blend until smooth, then add the rest of the milk. Serve immediately.



BOOKS FOR WINTER READING!

Children

Silas Mariner
By George Eliot

Oliver Twist

By Charles Dickens

Black Beauty
By Anna Sewell

The Chanukkah Tree
By Eric Kimmel

Parents

Bird by Bird By Anne Lamott

The Secret Life of Bees By Sue Monk Kidd

The House of Sand & Fog By Andre Dubus







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Inter-school Art Competition

Secondary students took part in an Inter School Art Competition hosted by Star Links School. The students were required to make posters based

on themes like Kindness, Modesty, Responsibility, Wisdom, Bravery, Justice, Patience and Diligence. •

Universal Children's Day

The Universal Children's Day was celebrated by students during the morning assembly. Students read out speeches and Ms. Asmat recited a poem she had composed to highlight

the rights of children and the importance of blessings like good education, food and shelter denied to millions of children around the world. •

British Council Visits School

British Council Pakistan has arranged the first ever Virtual Exhibition in Pakistan from 22 Nov - to 4 Dec 2010 to help Pakistani students select the UK Institutions they would like to pursue their education in. A briefing session was held in Education Bay on 22nd Nov for students to help them understand how maximum benefit can be drawn from the exhibition by students at their institutions. ◆

Mid Term Exam

The Mid-Term Examination was held from $30^{th}-13^{th}$ December 2010 in the preprimary, primary and secondary sections.

The results were announced during the PTM once the school opened after

winter vacation.

On the last day of examination, students at all grade levels happily arranged end-of-term classroom parties. Eatables were brought by students from home and shared amongst classmates.

Global Warming!

