

## DAV SCHOOL, IITH CAMPUS

### ANNUAL REPORT 2023-24

**Good evening everybody,**

I feel honoured to extend a hearty welcome to our Chairman Prof B.S.Murty Sir & our Regional Officer Mrs. Minoo Aggarwal for our School Annual Day function.

A warm welcome to the LMC members, Parent Community, teachers and my beloved students.

Ladies and gentlemen,

"I understand that the Principal's report may not be the most exciting part of the cultural programme. However, I have tried to keep it concise. Removing too much from the report would be like altering your own scorecard before presenting it. But let's not dwell on that. We all know that presenting the school report during the Annual Day is a longstanding tradition. It allows us to reflect on the past year, celebrate our achievements, both expected and unexpected, and set new goals for the future. By doing so, we can prepare ourselves to face the challenges of the coming year with a positive attitude.

"Let me start with a brief history of the DAV:- DAV College Managing Committee (DAVCMC) is the largest non-governmental organisation in the field of education in India today. It has a glorious past steeped in the history of India, our great nation. DAV College Managing Committee has contributed to nation-building by pioneering private initiative in education. In our more than 137 years long career span, DAV students have emerged as leaders in their chosen fields as Nobel laureates, Prime Ministers, Scientists, Sports persons, Defense personnel, Actors, Media persons, CEOs, etc., thus, making meaningful contributions to the economic and social development of India.

DAVCMC runs and manages over 900 educational institutions comprising of public schools, grants-in-aid schools, colleges, institutes of professional education and research institutions. Trusted by both, Public as well as Private sectors, DAVCMC manages over hundred Project and Semi-project Schools for blue-chip corporate houses, such as ACC, Tata, Reliance, Adani and Public Sector Corporations such as BHEL, GAIL, SECL etc. DAVCMC discharges its social responsibility by running ashrams and orphanages for the underprivileged and destitute children and women.

The organisation is managed by a galaxy of luminaries from diverse fields who are committed to the philosophy of Arya Samaj and ideals of Swami Dayanand Saraswati. The DAV institutions

are spread all over the length and breadth of India with DAV presence in almost all states catering to a wide range of clients from the urban elite to the rural Indian. DAV's commitment to quality education ensures a highly qualified and skilled workforce and state-of-the-art infrastructure in the educational institutions managed by it.

DAV School, IITH Campus, started in the year 2018 with 66 students. Currently, we have 470 students, 32 academic staff, and 10 multi-tasking staff. Our school has always been a hub for various activities that provide invaluable learning experiences to our students. We are committed to providing a safe and intellectually challenging environment that empowers students to become innovative thinkers, creative problem solvers, and inspired learners, ready to thrive in the twenty-first century. We value and appreciate each of our students as unique individuals with distinct talents, interests, and needs, and we recognize that each student has a different learning style.

The session of 2023-24 was a great year, and I consider it a moment of pride to showcase to you all the achievements and development that the school, staff and students undertook.

### **Excellence in academics:-**

Our institution ensures excellence in academics through the guidance of our qualified mentors across all classes. We believe in hands-on, activity-based learning that enhances the higher-order thinking skills of our students and moves them away from rote learning. We also focus on 21st-century skills, rather than just bookish knowledge.

We are proud to announce that the first batch of Class X students (2022-23) who appeared in the CBSE Board Exams achieved 100% results with an aggregate of 80 plus. Seven students have scored 90 and above in various subjects, with the highest score of 97 in English.

We have also started XI class with stream options such as M.P.C, Bi. P.C, and M.Bi.P.C with Informatics Practices from this academic year 2023-24.

### **Sports**

At DAV, we strongly believe that physical fitness is an essential aspect of education. Therefore, we provide excellent facilities for sports and games along with academic studies. Our sports facilities include Volleyball, Hockey, Kho Kho, Target Ball, Badminton, Athletics, and more. We also have indoor sports facilities like Chess, Carrom, Table Tennis, and Wrestling.

This year, many of our students have represented the Sangareddy district and Kandi Mandal in various sports and extracurricular activities such as Athletics, Swimming, Football, Kho-Kho, Target Ball, Wrestling, Chess, Volleyball, Hockey, and more. Our Students B.Mridha Sri(IV), C.Pragnya(V), A.Varsha(V) has won 3rd place in National

Sub Junior Grappling (Wrestling) Championship -2023, held at Maharshi Dayanand University, Rohtak, Haryana

- a) P.Sai Suhas (IX) has been selected for Sub Junior (U-17) category Target Ball National Championship.
- b) Veekshitha (VII) has won Silver Medal in wrestling (50 kg wt category) at 67th School Games Federation.
- c) Akshaya (VIII)- & Raayan (IX) -Shotput, Hathiram in Long jump have been selected for DAV Nationals and they will represent South Zone and they will be travelling to Ghaziabad.
- d) Students of our Campus have been Selected for Hockey Nationals (U-17 Category) and they will be traveling to Meerut in the month of January 2024

### **Teachers Empowerment Programs:**

Teachers are lifelong learners. Staying updated is crucial for success in any field, especially in education. Our teachers are committed to staying up-to-date by attending workshops and various training programs. In addition to the regular in-house workshops, our teachers have attended several other workshops, including:

- a) A Capacity Building Program has been held from October 14th to 17th, 2023, which empowered, equipped, and enhanced the strengths and skills of our staff related to their subject.
- b) A CBP session by CBSE on the topic of Cyber Safety and Security was held on September 9th, 2023.
- c) Few of my teachers have completed training from the British Council.
- d) Our PP, Primary, and Maths teachers attended a hands-on learning session organized by KITSCON Maths Lab

### **Student Achievements:**

Our school's Grade 9 students, M Harshaveena, L Paras Sejal Nayak, and B Alankrutha Sai, recently participated in the G20 Adolescent Life Skills Summit held in Hyderabad. The event was graced by Dr. Joseph Emmanuel, Director of Academics at CBSE, India, who was the Chief Guest. The students' commendable efforts were recognized with a special appreciation letter sent to the school.

Our Students have given exceptional performance and have advanced to the second level of in International English Olympiad for the Academic year 2023-2024

1. Aroma Mallik - International Rank - 358
2. Varushka Kale - International Rank - 358
3. Anika Kedia - International Rank - 41
4. Akshita Sarkar - International Rank - 1140
5. Sai Lahari P - International Rank - 456

For the Academic Year 2022-2023

Participants of Second Level Olympiad are,

1. Anika Kedia - Class 3 - IEO, IMO, NSO
2. M Parineeta - Class 4 - IEO, NSO
3. V Shyama Krishna - Class 5 - IMO
4. Arjun Amresh - Class 5 - IEO, NSO
5. Ajay Prakash - Class 6 - NSO, IMO

Aaira of Grade V got selected for State level painting Competition on Energy conservation conducted by NTPC

Grade XI students -App on Plants and their properties (Especially the plants available on the campus)- Allam Jhansi Reddy, Ameema.E & G.Neha ,

I congratulate all the students and Science Ms Kritika, Ms Gayathri , Ms Kavitha and Mr Dileep.

### **Student Enrichment Programs**

To ensure that our students are equipped to face any challenge, we have focused on few **Student Enrichment programs** which are as follows:

- 1) **Guest lectures**– Having guest speakers in school enhances the educational experience of the students. As guest speakers talk about their real-life experiences, students get to link what they learn in their textbooks and what they learn from the guest speaker. Keeping this in mind, we had organised a few interactive Guest Lecture for the students of grades VI to XI.
  - a) We had an Interactive session, for our school students (Grades VI to XI) with Prof. Uday Kumar, the designer of the Rupee symbol. It was an Interactive session where many of my students had raised their doubts and could get their Query's answer by Prof Uday. Thanks to Prof Shahid for Providing this opportunity for our students.

- b) We also had an Interactive session on the Topic :- Electricity from Vegetable Waste for Grades VI to IX by CSIR-IICT in collaboration with IDF.
- c) Ventriloquism Show by Mr Santosh Kumar -An international Ventriloquism Artist, Voice Coach and TEDx Speaker
- d) **Fire Safety awareness session** was conducted on the campus as the safety of children and the staff in school is of utmost priority for us. This helped us to educate students and teachers about the same. Thanks to Mr Suraj -Campus Fire officer and CSO.
- e) A Potters Wheel was arranged to make students aware of the pottery techniques and the Art of making Pots. It was a Hands on learning experience.
- f) We also had a session on Carbon Crusaders by IDF Foundation

2. **Field trips** - Going on **field trips** offers students a unique cultural learning experience. It allows students to be involved in new environments, key to encouraging curiosity about a given subject

Keeping this in view, we have arranged field trips . A few places where our students visited . we will be planning for this year Field Trips in the coming Days:-

**Details of Field Trip - AY 2022-2023**

S.No	Date	Class	Place
1	28.11.2022	Grades 5 to 10	Active Farm Village-Chevella, Near Kowkuntla
2	29.11.2022	Grades 1 - 3	Botanical Gardens
3	31.11.2022	Grades LKG - UKG, Grade 4	Botanical Gardens

4	19.08.2023	Grades 5 - 10	Fruits Research Station, Sangareddy
5	18.07.2023	Grades 7 -10	Science Museum Visit
6	19.07.2023	Grades 3 -10	Space Vehicle visit

**3. Hobby Clubs** –we have introduced 5 different hobby clubs for skill development and to generate inquisitiveness and interest and encourage students to bring out creativity. The children are free to choose one based on their interest.

a. **Literary Club:** Acclimatizes to develop the four basic language skills and provides young people an opportunity to question, explore and execute at different situations.

b. **Sports club:** Reinforces the ability to come out of stress and rejoices one's mindset to grow healthy with physical development.

c. **Cookery Club:** Cookery club hones the culinary skills of the budding chefs. It also makes them aware of nutrition, balanced diet and healthy eating habits.

d. **Art Club:** Art Club is open for any student interested in the visual arts! They can work on drawing, painting, craft and Wealth out of waste (WOW!).

e. **Environment Club:** It creates awareness about the current issues and concerns related to the environment. They do their bit for the environment and inspire others to do so.

4. During the Students Led Council (SLC), students showcase their learning through exhibits, models, charts, and more. Many parents visit the event to support their children and enhance their learning.

5. For Grades VI-VII, we are offering foundation courses in Maths, Physics, Chemistry, and Biology to enhance students' knowledge in these subjects.

6. Book Fairs (Yearly Once) on School Campus, which helps students to Connect kids with a wide selection of books and related material they want to read! Book Fairs serve to promote the habit of reading in school-going children by offering children a wide selection of books and related material through the school system.

7. DEAR:- Drop Everything and Read, Inclusion of SDG's in the Assembly

8. Children Visited Personal Aerial Vehicle Exhibition , Japan Weekin and labs in IITH.

### **Co-Curricular Activities and celebration of special events**

By providing a conducive and encouraging environment, the students are mentored to participate in a variety of intra and interschool activities/competitions. It enables the student to grow in confidence, knowledge & enhance their all-round development.

Some of the co-curricular activities are outlined as follows:

1. Poem Recitation Competition
2. Drawing competition
3. Show n tell competition
4. Fancy dress, competition
5. Storytelling competition
6. Mime
7. Elocution ....to name a few

Along with these, various events have been celebrated with a lot of vigour and fun. Some of them are:

1. Independence day
2. Telugu Bhasha Dinotsavam
3. National sports day,
4. International day of Yoga
5. Hindi Diwas,
6. Janmashtami,
7. Investiture Ceremony
8. Teachers day

9. Children's day
10. Graduation Day for UKG Students
11. Dussehra, celebrations
12. Colour Days for PP students
13. Grand Parent's Day for PP students
14. Havan .....to name a few

### **New Initiatives/ School Improvement Programs**

Constant improvement is the key to success. In this endeavor, we have introduced a few infrastructural and other developments. These changes add value to the teaching-learning process. Some of the initiatives taken this year are:

- a) We are happy to announce the establishment of a Maths Lab (Kits & Concepts-KITSCON).. KITSCON have partnered with Ramanujan Museum & Math Education Centre (RMMEC), Chennai, an NGO which has an international reputation. They are using the services of RMMEC for the design & development of Math Lab Instruments, Teachers Training and so on. KITSCON Math Lab is a place rich with manipulative materials, with which students have ready access to handle and perform mathematical experiments, play mathematical games, solve mathematical puzzles and become involved in activities related to mathematics. KITSCON MATH LAB INSTRUMENTS are proven manipulative (hands-on) materials.
- b) **Hobby Clubs** – As stated earlier, hobby clubs are an add-on this year.
- c) Ground Levelling works, 200m running Track, Construction of permanent Dias, procurement of Foot Ball Poles, Badminton Poles, Hand Ball Poles, Provision of Long Jump pit etc.,
- d) **The Hindu in School**:-The Hindu-in-school -is a student edition newspaper, which is published from Monday to Friday every week. This is a curated newspaper exclusively for students, covering topics ranging from Science & Technology, G.K, English, Health, Environment, Experiments, etc. in addition to these features there is space for publishing students' achievements, activities /happenings at school. This newspaper also helps in improving cognitive thinking, promotes reading, and boosts the confidence of students.
- e) Hockey Classes for the students is an added advantage for the students at DAV IITH and now we have a good Hockey Team ready to represent the School in U14 & U17 categories at State and National level.



## **Conclusion**

Our teachers work closely with our children, observing their work and offering the lessons and opportunities that the child needs to progress their understanding. They are a team of intelligent and hardworking people. It is a pleasure to work with such a dedicated staff with great energy and commitment to their work. We are pleased that our students performed to the best of their ability with the vast majority being above the benchmark.

We say a big thank you to both of them. They have played a huge part in what has made 2023 a predominantly progressive and satisfying year!

We are also fortunate to have committed and energetic parents who have helped the school in so many ways – Participation in the events, preparing the Kids for all kind of activities at the school.

To conclude, this year, we all took more collective steps towards the betterment of Students and we also assure you that progressive learning will be taking place at our campus with all of your support.