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Meet the lead Teacher

Meet Mrs. Deepika Pathak, Lead Teacher English Department. She started her journey at SSIS in September 2015 as an English instructor.

According to her she always remembered her English teacher who gave her direction and guided her when she was in school. Her teacher always encouraged her with inspiring words and a helpful attitude which gave her direction and inspired her to become a teacher. Her teacher always used to quote inspiring words to her, one of which she remembers the most is that "children are clay the way you mould them they become that way".

She says that "I always use to keep these words of her in my mind and tried my best to take her as my mentor and guiding angel. I always try my best to make my children feel special and make them believe they are the heart of our lives."

As a teacher's dream, she, like others, would love if our students also remember us always. At the end we as a human being wanted to be loved and remembered always. She hopes to leave a mark on the children as well, not a big one but at least a small place in their hearts.

Finally, she is very grateful and thankful to SSIS which gave her such an exciting platform to showcase her talent and she strongly recommends this institution to others.



MRS. DEEPIKA PATHAK
LEAD TEACHER ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

UAE Flag Day



UAE Flag Day is an annual event – which marks Sheikh Khalifa being sworn in as President of the UAE in the year 2004. It is celebrated as a national occasion where people of the UAE remember the efforts of the founders of their State, Sheikh Zayed and Sheikh Rashid, and their brothers who sacrificed everything for the sake of their nation. The UAE flag is the symbol of unity and sovereignty and residents fly it high with pride as it represents their aspirations for a better future.



Shining Star International School Abu Dhabi celebrated UAE Flag day with enthusiasm. Primary Students came into school in UAE colours to

mark the event. Students of all the grades gathered together in the quadrangle of the school premises and witnessed whilst the protocol for hoisting the National flag was strictly followed. The Principal Mr Alyas



hoisted the National flag at 11:00 am followed by saluting the flag along with the UAE National anthem. The campus looked spectacular as one could find black, red, green and white colours along with the national spirit everywhere.



My Citizenship my Identity

Kris Fade show.....



On 5th November 2018, the Kris Fade Show's 20 Schools in 20 Days arrived at SSIS. SSIS was one of the 20 schools that were selected for this event. Kris Fade along with Ms Priti Malik and Big Rossi came to the school.



SSIS students and teachers demonstrated their talents by singing, dancing and conducting a quiz. There was a non-stop dance competition led by Kris fade and his team for teachers. Prizes were then given for each of the winners. Students had enjoyed the event with loads of energy and enthusiasm.

-Reported by Ms.Deepika

My Identity Open Week for parents 4th of November - 11th of November 2018

As part of SSIS's ongoing initiatives to strengthen my Identity programme and its implementation the school had organised an open week for the parents. Open week spanned across all the grades and aimed at inviting the parents to the campus so that they can attend the lessons and experience the quality of teaching and learning that is being delivered at SSIS. All the lesson taught were linked with the MIP (My Identity Programme) and parents participated in various activities within the lesson itself.

*Day 1 & 2 KG sections**Reported By Mr. Anurag**Day 3 Primary and higher grades*

Book Fair

*BOOKS ARE THE PASSPORT TO ALL KINDS OF KNOWLEDGE,
INTELLIGENCE AND WISDOM*

Our students visited the world's third largest book fair, the Sharjah International Book Fair, in Sharjah on 4th of November, 2018. It was indeed a trip to remember, for the students had a chance to go through a plethora of books from the author's across the world. There were 2.3 million books to discover.



Students enjoyed the excursion as they got a chance to meet and greet people from the schools across the UAE and share their interests in reading books of their choice. Overall, the visit was successful as the students bought books for themselves as well as their friends.

-Reported by Ms.Afreen

Diwali Celebrations



Diwali is one of India's biggest festivals. The word 'Diwali' means rows of lighted lamps. It is a festival of lights and Hindus celebrate it with joy. During this festival, people light up their houses and shops with Diyas (Small cup-shaped oil lamp made of baked clay). They worship the Lord Ganesha for good welfare and prosperity and Goddess Lakshmi for wealth and wisdom.

SSIS celebrated this day with a special assembly and a folk dance by grades 2 and 3. Diwali is the festival of lights, we then lit the candles and celebrated this auspicious day.

Reported by Ms.Deepika

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IT special assembly



The IT assembly was held on 8th November 2018. The Main highlights of the assembly were the robot presentation, tech quiz, display of Scratch projects and the highlights of Gitex 2018.

The ROBOT presentation was done by the students of Grade VI A. It showcased the working of a ROBOT made by the students.

The TECH QUIZ was conducted by the students of Grade XII where four different teams (The Red & Green House from the Girls Section and the Yellow and Blue House from Boys section) participated. Each team had 4 members. The Quiz had 3 rounds and the Yellow house was the winner and the winning team will have points added onto class dojo.

The SCRATCH PROJECT was presented by the students of Grade VIIIC. The project which won a prize in Al-Tasamuh event held at GIIIS, Abu Dhabi was shown to all.

The assembly was concluded by an interesting presentation given by Afroza of Grade XII A on GITEX, which was held in Dubai World Trade Centre from 14-18 October 2018.

The lead speaker showcased and presented different types of ROBOTS which were the main highlights of GITEX 2018.

-Reported by Ms.Deepa

SSIS Book drive



At SSIS we strongly feel it's our duty to make our students socially responsible as part of our ongoing effort efforts to work for a cause and to be a vehicle for change, we collaborated with the Emirates Red Crescent for our latest project "The SSIS book of Giving" from 11th of November to the 15th of the November which also coincided with world kindness day on 13th of November. The schools aim was to sell those books to parents and students attending the Open House, the money raised will go to charity and unsold books would be given to the Emirates Red Crescent.



Reported By Mr.Anurag

Anti-Bullying Campaign

According to recent surveys, almost half of UAE teens are victims to cyber bullying, And we all know Cyber Bullying is persistent, permanent and hard to notice. As the saying goes 'Prevention is better than cure', 12th November, 2018 to 16th November, 2018 being World-Wide Anti Cyber Bullying Week, SSIS planned an all-round event to target students, teachers as well as parents



Various activities were planned for students throughout the week, starting with an assembly to create awareness and activities for all students from colouring to slogan writing, story writing, articles etc. A write-up was emailed to the parents by the School Counsellor on topics related to cyber bullying and bullying as a whole and how to help their children deal with related issues. The teachers also created an 'Anti-Bullying Wall' and posted their thoughts and strategies on what they would do how deal with the issue. The parents co-operated by discussing the issue with their children at home and posting their pictures on the school's FB page.

-Reported by Ms. Annette



ADIPEC Visit

ADIPEC is one of the largest oil and gas events in the world. It's an exhibition and conference held in adnec. Students from Shining Star got a chance to attend this event. The students were given a chance to be engineers for a day in ADIPEC. They had to wear the construction coat and helmet and walk around as engineers. There were many activities for them. As young engineers, they got to learn a lot of things and saw various new ideas like the future robots that could help in oil extraction, and the best part was that these models were made out of Lego. They made slime, learned how helicopters fly and many such things practically. They all came back with a lot of things and souvenirs, but most importantly with a lot of inspiration and aspiration to become engineers and to change the world in their little ways.

Reported by Ms. Annette

CHILDREN'S DAY CELEBRATION

'While we try to teach our children all about life, our children teach us what life is all about.' Angela schwindt

Children's Day was auspiciously celebrated at the school campus on 14th November 2018 from grade 1 to 12. The day when children are made to feel special. The teachers of Shining Star came up with an innovative idea to do something special for their children in the form of a special assembly.



National Day Celebrations

UAE National day was celebrated cross the week in SSIS classrooms and Wednesday the 28th November 2018 was singled out as a day when the school community would celebrate together.

KG

The KG section of the school invited parents to attend the school early in the morning for a special UAE National day performance from the students.



The remainder of the day was spent in classrooms where parents, students and teachers worked on UAE National Day related activities.



Grades 1-12

Grades 1-12 conducted a special assembly in the morning where all students dressed up in UAE National Day related clothing, all the students sang the National Anthem in unison as a reminder was given about the importance of the day.

Grades 1-12 parents were able to see their children perform in special UAE National Day Dances in the school auditorium.



Science week

After the performances, parents were taken to the school quadrangle where outlines of UAE related items had been drawn across the walls of the school quadrangle by teachers. Parents collected their palates and wall paint and along with their children proceeded to paint the outlines across the school.



Parents were then taken into the auditorium to conduct a special UAE National Day quiz with the Principal. Parents all logged in using their phones as they competed against each other to answer questions correctly in the shortest amount of time. After 20 questions were completed, three winners were awarded their prizes.



-Reported by
Mr.Alyas Ali
Principal

Martyr's day



SSIS observed Martyrs day in order to show respect for those who have lost their lives for the UAE. Flags were flown at half-mast from 8am. At 11.30 am, the entire school observed a minutes silence and the flag was raised at 11.31 to the sound of the National anthem being sung by all students.





Student Talk



My journey at SSIS has been awesome. I made many new friends and had met lot of wonderful teachers who not only taught me but also modified my behaviour as student and as well a human being. SSIS has many facilities along with it teaching and learning here is activity based, so it's always fun to learn and every day is a new day at the campus. One can not only find the learning which is there in classes but this happens throughout the year and out of campus too as we go on field trips and inter school competitions which boost our learning too. I strongly recommend the school as it excels in academics and makes you a lifelong learner.

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Parent Talk

Shining star school offers an excellent platform, the management and teachers are caring and the school has a child centred approach towards educating young children. The school has nurtured the potential and talent of my children. I am extremely happy and proud that my kid's future is in safe hands and I strong recommend this school.

- Salahudeen shamsudeen
Parent of Rayan Abdullah of grade 3 B



Teacher Talk



I am extremely thankful to the school management for providing me a great opportunity. I commend the school for remarkable love compassion and concern towards children. I am greatly impressed with the quality of instruction and opportunities of professional development provided by the school towards my career enrichment. I consider it a privilege to be a member of SSIS family

-Afnitha salahudeen



SSIS in news

SSIS students took part in the 'Inquisitive Minds' conducted by Career Launchers and received the a Certificate of Appreciation for being a valuable part of this competition.



Toys for joy Handover to Red Crescent.

As part of last campaign to bring joys to life to children who are unprivileged SSIS Red Crescent team collected more than 1700 toys and handed them over to UAE Red Crescent.



School and Nursery Show at the Etihad towers

SSIS presented at the School and Nursery Show at the Etihad towers in Abu Dhabi on 17th and 18th of November. This event is an opportunity for elite schools to present themselves to the public and illustrate the strengths of the school. Ms Anita the School vice Principal and Mr. Alyas presented on a panel along with other experts in the education field.



Admission coffee morning

Senior leaders and admission team taking to parents on 24th November outlining the strengths of the school.



Upcoming events

- Social media photo competition
- Open house and book selling.
- Admission coffee morning.
- Pet farming for KG1 & 2
- Sports day.
- Night camp.