



This much I know of Johnsonites

Dates: June 22nd to June 30th 2022

The staff returned back to campus as enthusiastic as ever to start the new academic year. After nearly one and a half years of online teaching, the teachers were eager to start teaching face to face in physical classrooms. The first week was used to introduce new teachers to the philosophy of Johnson school and to revisit the requirements of the Diploma programme.

This year we welcomed new teachers to the Johnson family. Each one of them comes with a rich experience in their subject areas. Please welcome the following teachers.

1. Pramod Raj Kumar- Class teacher of grade 11 and Chemistry faculty
2. Vasavi Goteti - Assistant Class teacher of grade 11 and Psychology faculty
3. Vamsi Daruri- Mathematics faculty
4. Upendrajit Rajkumar - Visual arts faculty
5. Vidhya Bhaskar- Diploma Programme Coordinator and Economics faculty

It was heartwarming to welcome students to physical school on 27th June 2022. As it is said- The school is the place where millions of memories are created and life long relationships are sealed.

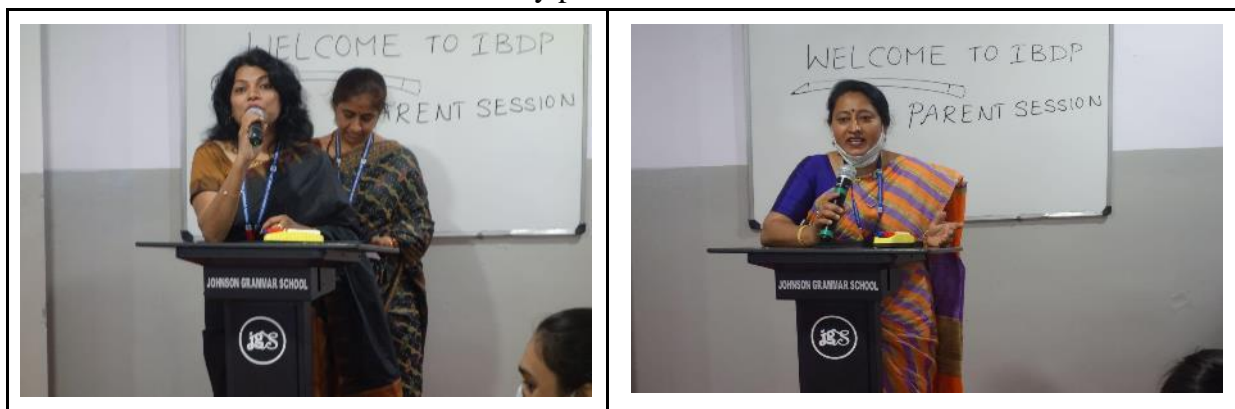
A typical start to a school day at Johnson Grammar School is reporting by 8.20 am. The DP students assemble in the common room where the daily prayer, Johnson Grammar School and DP school song are sung followed by the singing of the National Anthem.

Each day, a group of students present the news- local and international covering topics from the area of politics, entertainment to sports. One of the students from the group also presents Thought for the Day and a speech touching upon any topic close to him/her. For example, a student Amolika Reddy spoke how it is important to balance studies along with proper exercise, sleep and balanced food. She also shared how doing a few minutes of exercise and yoga keeps her positive and energetic the whole day.



Dates: July 1st to July 23rd 2022

July 2nd was the first orientation with DP parents. There was a formal welcome by Ms Meera, the Admission Officer. Ms Bindu, Principal of IB DP gave an introduction to the DP programme and shared anecdotes of her progress in life as an educator. Ms Arthi the college counselor also shared details of University placements.



Next we had 5 alumni students from different graduating classes speak to the parents regarding how being an IB student has changed their perspective of life and to the extent IB DP has encouraged them to be risk takers along with developing communication and critical thinking skills. They cited examples as how these skills have prepared them for University education.



Johnson Grammar School IBDP has adopted the Managebac (MB) portal for curriculum planning, assessment and reporting. Ms Vidhya Bhaskar, DPC briefly explained how through MB, the parents can be kept informed regarding the delivery of the Diploma programme at the school. There will be an orientation for parents regarding the advantages and usage of MB. This was followed by a motivational talk on parenting by the renowned speaker Mr Mallesh Annamaina.



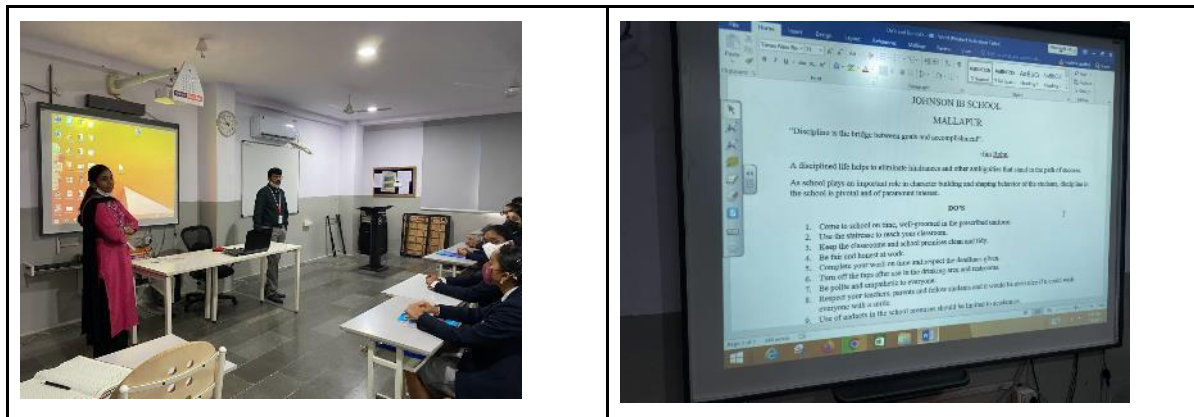
The session ended with refreshments for all present.

Regular classes began on 4th July. Students were given 2 weeks window time to get a feel of different subjects before finalizing their subject choices. Students also got an opportunity to discuss their choices with the DPC. Guidance was given based on the students chosen career pathways and University choices. Students have given their final subject choices via a google form.

5th July the DP results were announced worldwide. Varshith Uppalapati was the highest with 42 points out of 45. He will be pursuing his undergraduate either at London School of Economics or King's College London.

We are proud of each of our students' achievements and wish them luck with their future.

An institution is defined and bound by rules and regulations. On 8th July during the morning assembly, Ms Vasavi and Mr Pramod, the class teachers of DP 1 explained the importance of following the school rules.



Creativity Activity and Service (CAS) is one of the core components of the Diploma Programme. It aims to meet the IB mission of encouraging students to become compassionate and lifelong learners. On 9th July Ms Rita, the CAS coordinator explained to the students the importance of CAS and the students got an opportunity to identify possible CAS projects and activities which they can participate in.



11th July was The World Population Day . An impromptu session was held on 9th July in the library by Ms Vasavi and Ms Arthi regarding the growing concerns of overpopulation. Students were divided into groups and were asked to present their views and probable solutions to this growing problem.



Physical school remained closed from 11th to 16th July due to heavy rains and due to government directive. However, teaching and learning did not stop as online classes were conducted.

The week ended with the IB DP students leading the whole school assembly.



Important notification:

1. There is a change in the timetable based on the final subject choices of students. The final copy will be shared with the students and come into effect from Tuesday 26th July 2022.
2. Students are also reminded that they are not permitted to carry their mobile phone to school.

Upcoming events:

School will remain closed on 25th July on account of Bonalu
Students are strongly encouraged to be present in school for Independence day celebrations on 15th August.

Watch out for some exciting articles from students in the next school bulletin- August edition

DP Staff
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