



OSHWAL ACADEMY NAIROBI

JUNIOR HIGH

END OF TERM II NEWSLETTER

2023-2024

QUOTE OF WEEK:

**"YOU HAVE TO DREAM
BEFORE YOUR DREAMS CAN
COME TRUE."**

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Year 11 Farewell Night

This year we were able to organize and successfully hold a farewell night for our candidate class, it was one of a kind with our students behaving very well. They all carried themselves with decorum. The well-planned event took place on the 23rd March 2024. The evening started off on a high note with soft inviting music playing in the background as the guests made their way into the Junior High School Multipurpose Hall. The elegance in the room could be matched to the excitement plastered on the year 11 students' faces. With the dance floor gradually filling with joyous and energetic dancers, the party had begun. There was an array of foods and beverages pleasantly and purposefully prepared for those in attendance.



Year 11 Farewell Night IN PICTURES



YEAR 11 SEND OFF PARTY

A school is akin to a conveyor belt. With every passing second, there is always a group that edges closer to the exit just as another makes entry at year 7. We must honestly confess that this is usually one of the most difficult moments for us, yet we must accept this reality and move on.



The Head of School Mrs. Sujata Yanamandra advises the Year 11 students on the way forward after their 5 years stay at OAN - Junior High.



Sanvi Hardik Shah and Oorjit Singh the outgoing Head Girl and Head Boy deliver their valediction speeches to the audience at the Auditorium

Wednesday 25th of March 2024 was our last day with our year 11 students and we accordingly held a farewell party for them. During this event, we congregated in the school auditorium and as a matter of procedure, the Head of Year, the Head of School, the Deputy Head of School, the Home Room Tutors, the KS3 and KS4 Coordinators and all SLTS gave brief speeches in appreciation of the students' cooperation during their stay at Oshwal Academy Nairobi Junior High. The outgoing Head Boy Oorjit Singh and Head Girl Sanvi Hardik also delivered their speeches on behalf of the students before they all proceeded to the Multi-purpose hall for shirt signing and refreshments. We wish them the best in their future endeavours.



Akshita Srivastava from Year 11E gives vote of thanks and a word of encouragement to her classmates at the Auditorium during the send off party.





YEAR 10 TRIP TO SOUTH COAST IN PICTURES



YEAR 9 TRIP TO TAITA TAVETA IN PICTURES



YEAR 11 IGCSE ROCK CLIMBING TRIALS AT HELL'S GATE NATIONAL PARK

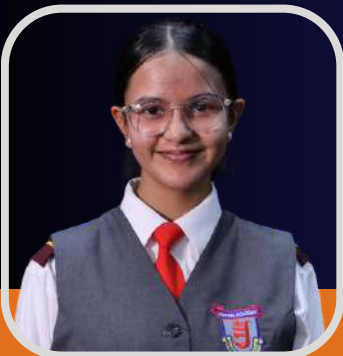
Year 11 IGCSE P.E. students took part in the Rock-Climbing experience at Hell's Gate National Park. Rock Climbing is part of the IGCSE PE coursework. The students are required to master and demonstrate good techniques in Rock climbing which will be filmed and assessed as part of their exam.



HINDI INTERNATIONAL EXAM RESULTS

Hindi is an expressive and colourful language that is a valuable part of the Indian heritage. Modern Standard Hindi, commonly referred to as Hindi, is an Indo-Aryan language spoken chiefly in North India, and serves as the lingua franca (a language that connects Indians who speak different native languages) of the Hindi Belt region encompassing parts of northern, central, eastern, and western India.

At Oshwal Academy Nairobi Junior High, our students sit for the October/November series of IGCSE HINDI examinations. Our current year 11 students who sat for their examinations last November, received their results with much celebration as our top students scored A* and A'S.



AKSHITA SRIVASTAVA
YEAR 11E



DARSH DHAIVAL SHAH
YEAR 11B



KRISHAY DHARMESH
SANGHANI YEAR 11D



VAIDEHI ANURAG TOMAR
YEAR 11D



GUFRAN AHMAD
YEAR 11E



ANIKHITA SINGH
YEAR 11A



PARAAG RAJ SAHOO
YEAR 11B



SOHAM TRIPATHI
YEAR 11C



PUJITHA SAI VAISHNAVI
PENUMUCHU
YEAR 11D



HITHESH KUSUMA
KUMAR YEAR 11A

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Aum Anand Chandarana Year 8G and Ayaan Sean Quadros Year 7G represented our country Kenya at the prestigious International Tennis Federation East African Junior Team Zonal Championships under 14 category that was held in Burundi Bujumbura as from 5th till 15th January 2024. Team Kenya emerged second position in the just concluded Zonal Championships.



ANNUAL MATHEMATICS QUIZ

Oshwal Academy Nairobi Junior High through the Mathematics Department organised an inter-house competition. The house nominees and volunteers sat for a 25 mark test which was used to select the house representatives for the actual event. In each house there were 4 participants and a substitute. The quiz had four different rounds: each round with different rules. Round 1 had no pen and paper but for Round 2 and 4, participants were allowed to use pen and paper. Round 3 was an individual round. Each participant had a set of 6 mental Math questions to answer in 60 seconds. Apparently, this was the most interesting round. As we are aware, Cambridge has introduced a non -calculator paper as part of the I.G.C.S.E exam therefore Mental Math is an important part of learning. This was a significant milestone in the development of our students' Mathematics skills.



A collage of participants from various houses in action during the Annual Mathematics Quiz.

INTERHOUSE ANNUAL SWIMMING GALA 2023 / 2024



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Our MSMUN delegates on arrival at the UN headquarters in Gigiri for the 30th MSMUN Conference.

THEME: YIBAMBE-HOLD FAST!

Theme: Yibambe-hold fast.

Our MSMUN students have had an intensive four day Conference where they got to candidly debate various resolutions . This year we took 13 students who were spread across the following committee :Health and Technology, Ecology, Human Rights and Special Summit. They were delegates for Cyprus, Syria Arab Republic, Philippines and World Bank. Among the non-delegates we had two Junior Chairs, two Secretaries and one Press Corp.

The students' participation was outstanding and the majority of them got a chance to address their various committees despite the large numbers of delegates from all over East Africa.

The following got special recognition:

1.Grishma Sudha, Best Secretary

2.Sarvesh Sriram, Honorary Mention in Special Summit.

3.Jeremy Kombe, Honorary Mention in Human Rights.

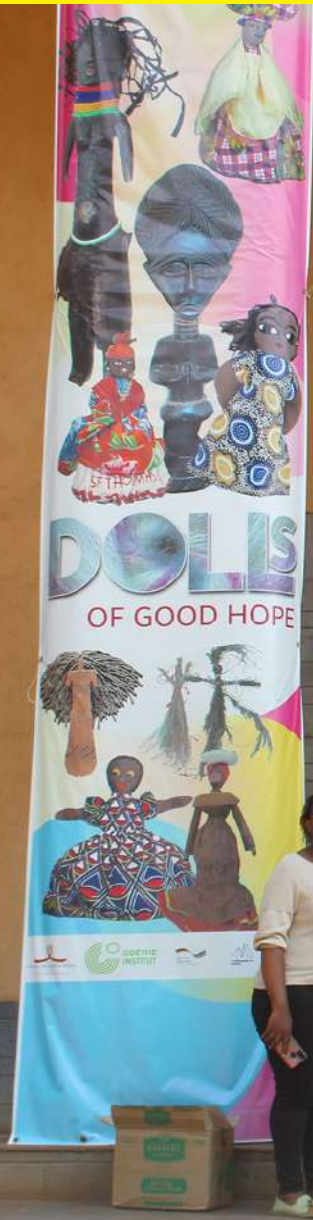




OSHWAL OPEN JUNIOR CHESS TOURNAMENT 2024(5TH EDITION) IN PICTURES



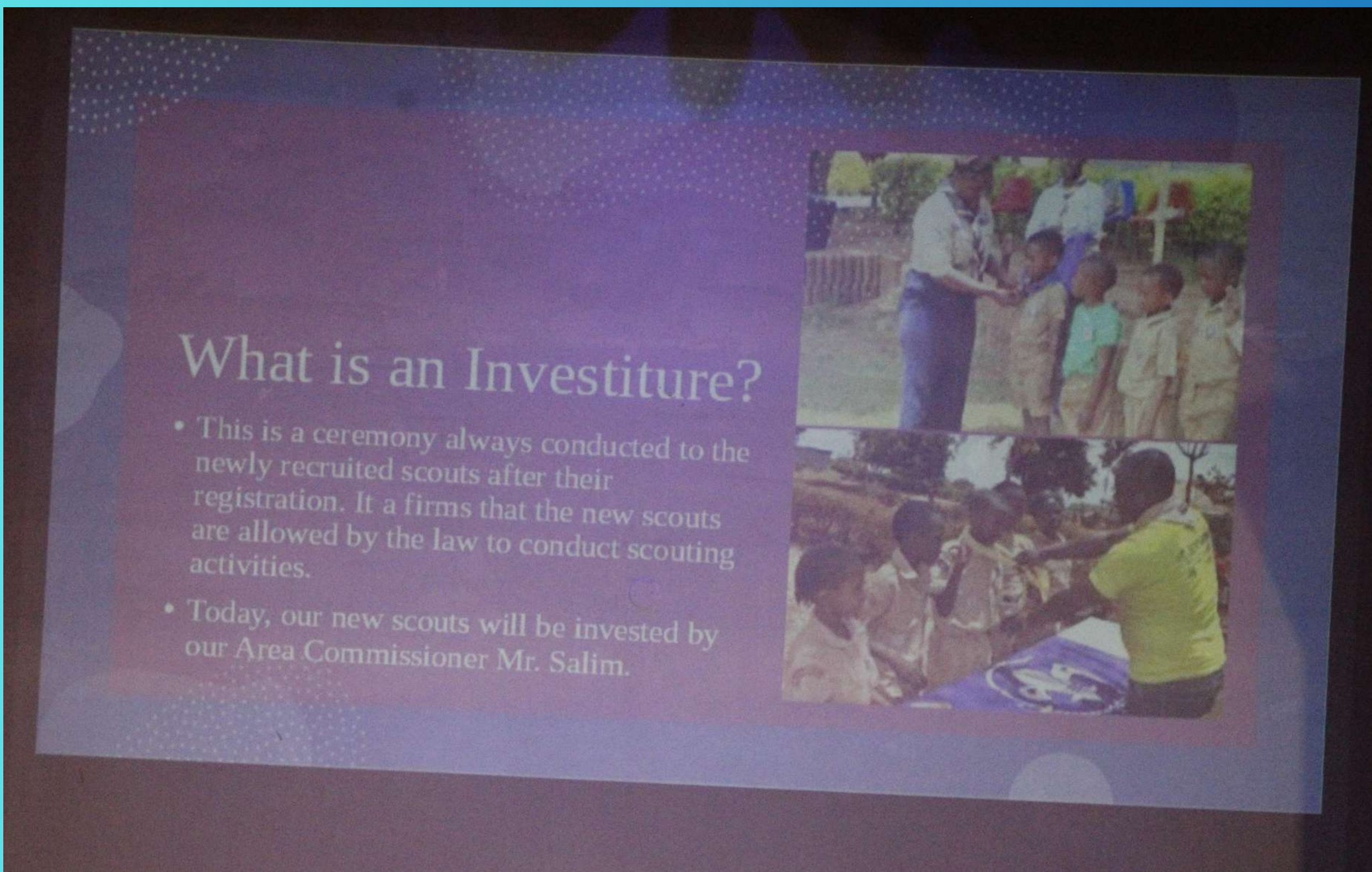
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NAIROBI NATIONAL MUSEUM



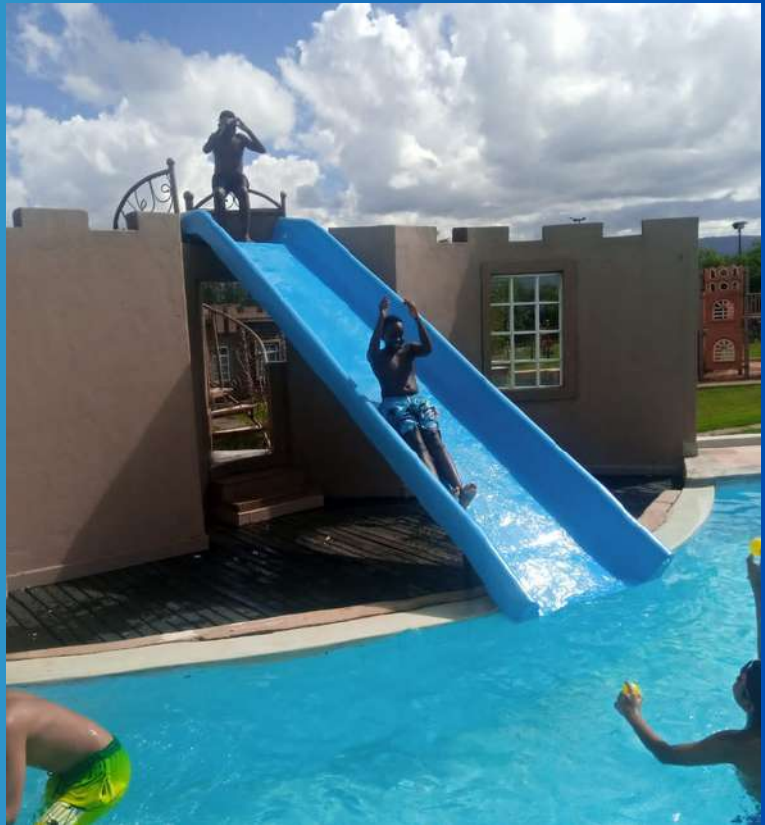
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YEAR 8 TRIP TO LAKE ELEMENTAITA IN PICTURES



YEAR 7 TRIP TAFARIA CASTLE IN PICTURES



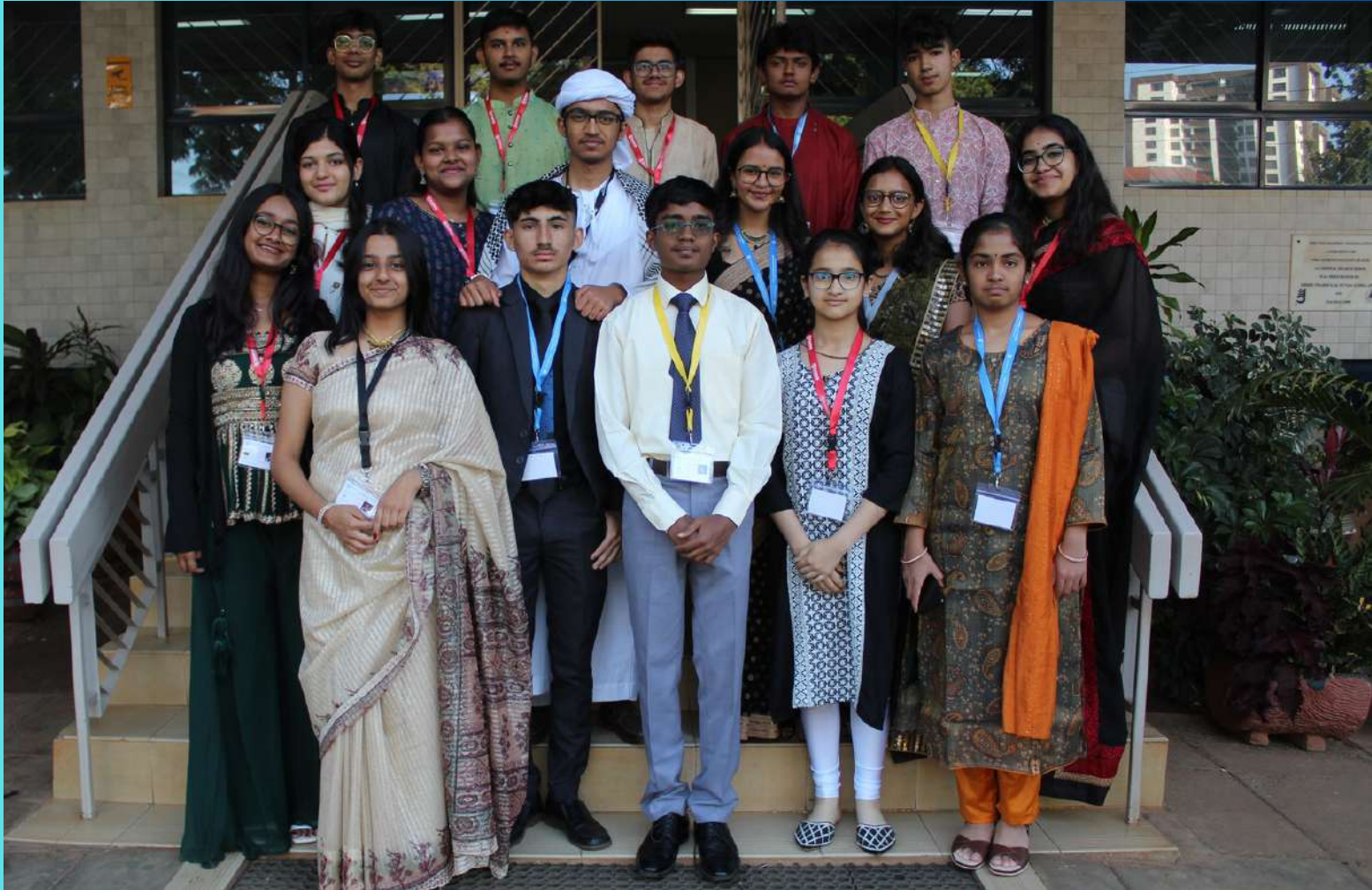
PRESIDENT'S AWARD SILVER EXPEDITION TO SAGANA IN PICTURES



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EAST AFRICA MODEL UNITED NATIONS (EAMUN) IN PICTURES



ASDAN IED VALENTINE'S DINNER

On Friday 16th February the Inclusive Education Department held their ASDAN Valentines' Luncheon. The event was themed in red and black colors. ASDAN means Award Scheme Development and Accreditation Network which is a curriculum that is designed to help develop knowledge and hands-on skills. It is an effective and vigorous curriculum that allows educators to support learners meet their individual needs.



FROM SPORTS CORNER

The sports department has been a beehive of activities with numerous opportunities for our students to engage in various inter-school sports competition.



Our under 15 girls hockey team contested strongly against a tougher opponent at Rosslyn Academy and they conceded two goals. Most Valuable Players are Karnika Sharma (10 F) and Sanskriti Jawla (10 C).



Join us in congratulating our under 15 girls and boys Hockey teams as they were awarded silver medalists in their category, in the Annual IPSSA tournament held at Crawford International School.

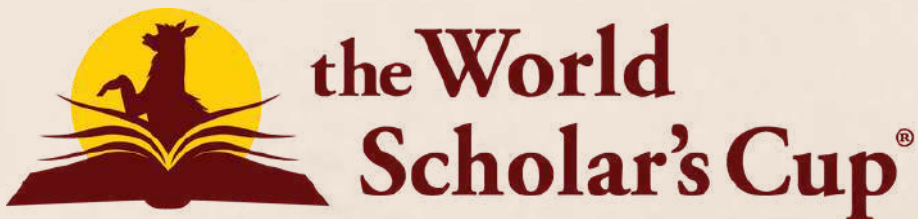
Congratulations!



Khushi Malde of year 11C played the regional trials for Table Tennis in ladies category at Oshwal Sports Complex on 27th January 2024 in Nairobi and came 1st in Nairobi County.

Later she played the National Trials at Jomo Kenyatta University Main Campus on Thika Road on 10th and 11th February 2024. Here there were top 2 players from 8 counties so a total of 16 players.

In the first round all the 16 players had to play each other in a set of best of 5. The matches started at 10.00 am and finished at 8.30pm. Only top 8 players would be selected to qualify for the National Team out of 16 players. Khushi came in top 8 and got selected in the Ladies National Table Tennis Team. She was the youngest player in the Ladies category who qualified for the Ladies National Table Tennis Team.



The World Scholar's Cup is an annual international academic program that attracts over 15,000 students from more than 65 countries every year. It is a global celebration of learning leadership, and academic achievement. The program offers various events and activities, including regional and global rounds. Congratulations to our Junior High Scholars for their remarkable accomplishments at the World Scholars Cup. Junior High team was able to scope the below medals: -

Senior Team:

170 gold medals

197 silver medals

Junior Team:

292 gold medals

305 silver medals

Special Mention:

Senior Team: Tracy Kimotho received 2nd Best Trophy Award in Collaborative Writing and featured in the Debate Showcase.

Junior Team: Nduta Mbuthia scooped the Jac Khor Award (highest score in the Scholar's Challenge) and First Place Overall Scholar Category. Corren Mulei attained 4th Best Scholar in the Junior Category.

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World Scholars Senior Team

CONGRATULATIONS

Sevdip Reel, Ira Khot, Grishma Pothuri
Tracey Kimotho, Ruby Mugambi, Jeeya Wanza
Ruth Wanjiru, Victoria King'ori, Shekinah Wafula
Grace Wanja, Tomi Buyaki and Keilah Okumu

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World Scholars Junior Team

CONGRATULATIONS

Ethan Kebati, Tanay Ray, Kyraan Manekiya, Corrine Mulei, Bianca Kariuki, Letisha Ogallo, Avneet Kaur, Shantelle Chumari, Makena Hunja, Hriday Makwana, Neel Lavda Aadvik Singh, Reya Gudka, Nichelle Wangaruro, Mishika Shah, Sohan Shah, Siya Nalaria and Viva Mehta

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MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGE GLOBAL LANGUAGENUT COMPETITION!

We are incredibly proud to announce our school's outstanding achievement in the recent Modern Foreign Language Global Sprachenut Competition! Not only did our school place an impressive 6th position globally, but two of our talented students, Poojashree Madhan of Year 10F and Asir Parpia of Year 9A, were featured among the top 20 individual competitors worldwide.

The Sprachenut competition is a fun and engaging way for students to test their language skills and compete against others from around the world. As students completed activities in French and German, they earned points and secured their positions on the Global Secondary Leader Board.

A total of 27 students from our school participated in the competition, demonstrating their exceptional language skills and dedication to learning. Their hard work and perseverance have not only brought honor to themselves but also to the entire school community. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to all the participating students for their remarkable achievement on the global stage!



Poojashree Madhan Year
10F



Asir Yasin Parpia Year 9A

**DEVASHRI SANJAY SHAH OF YEAR 10D CHESS ACHIEVEMENT AT
THE MACHAKOS QUALIFIERS CHESS TOURNAMENT HELD AT
MACHAKOS.**

Join us in congratulating Devashri Sanjay Shah of year 10D for attaining 1st position in under 16 girls category in the 2024 Machakos Qualifiers Chess tournament held at Machakos.



WINNERS OF THE HINDI ESSAY & POEM WRITING COMPETITION IN PICTURES

Introduction: The Poem writing competition was a resounding success, showcasing the literary talents and creativity of our students. The event aimed to foster a love for poetry and encourage students to express themselves through the written word. The Indian Mythology Essay Competition was held with great enthusiasm and fervour, aiming to delve into the depths of India's rich cultural heritage and unearth the treasures of its mythological narratives. Both the events were organized by Hindi department, Oshwal Academy Nairobi, in February 2024.

Competition Format: The competition was open to students from various grade levels, allowing participants to choose from a range of themes provided by the organizing committee. Each participant was required to submit an original poem adhering to the guidelines provided. For essay writing the topics ranged from the epic tales of the Ramayana and Mahabharata to the lesser known but equally fascinating stories from Hindu, Jain, Buddhist, and Sikh traditions, all relating to Indian mythology.

Judging Criteria: Essays were evaluated based on several criteria, including originality of thought, clarity of expression, depth of analysis, and adherence to the theme. Each poem and essay were evaluated meticulously to ensure fairness and impartiality.

Participants' Response: Students demonstrated enthusiasm and passion for poetry, & essay writing, showcasing their unique perspectives and artistic flair through their compositions. The diversity of themes and writing styles reflected the rich tapestry of talent within our school community.

Winners and Recognition: Winners were announced during a special assembly, where they were awarded certificates of achievement and commendation. Among the outstanding achievers from Year 7 were Hardik Gupta and Shachi Vishalkumar Bhavsar, from Year 8 was Aryaveer Gupta, from Year 9 were Varchasv Gupta and Khushi Panwar and from Year 10 were Tanvi Gupta and Lakshya Bisaria.

Impact and Insights: The competition not only served as a platform for intellectual engagement but also fostered a deeper appreciation and understanding of India's diverse cultural heritage.

Conclusion: The School Poem & Essay Writing Competition served as a platform for students to explore their creative potential and express themselves through the medium of poetry and essay. It fostered a sense of academic excellence, reinforcing the importance of literary arts in education. Moving forward, we aim to continue organizing such events to inspire and empower our students to become confident writers and thinkers.



ANNUAL SPELLING BEE COMPETITION 2024

Every year, we conduct a spelling Bee competition in a deliberate attempt to build the capacity of our students in as far as vocabulary and spelling goes. This year, the event date fell on 27th of February. Our KS3 students were organized into three categories based on the year groups. The morning session went to the year 8 group, the mid morning to year 9 and year 7 had the afternoon.

Each group had three activities namely: The team activity putting the 4 houses against one another in a mission to identify the misspelled words within a group of highlighted words in a sentence and correcting them. Each house had four chances. aA second team activity involving collective creation of three different words from a given root word and a final individual round where each student spelt 2 words read out to them by the announcers, to establish the best overall speller.

Eventually, winners emerged. For year 7, SIMBA house carried the day, trailed by Gazelle, Flamingo and Impala. For year 8, Impala clinched top position followed by Flamingo,Gazelle ns Simba. Gazelle trounced Simba, Flamingo and Impala to emerge best in the year 9 category. The overall best house for the Bee was Gazelle with 230 points followed closely by Simba with 220. Impala came 3rd with 200 points as Flamingo closed with 185.

The best speller for Year 7 was Naima Schira from 7F, Year 8 Nduta Mbuthia from 8F and for Year 9, ANOUSHKA BANSAL (9A.)



ANNUAL SPELLING BEE COMPETITION 2024 IN PICTURES



FROM SPORTS CORNER

The sports department has been a beehive of activities with numerous opportunities for our students to engage in various inter-school sports competition.



Join us in congratulating our under 13 girls Hockey team who won the 2024 International & Private Schools Sports Association (IPSSA) Tournament.



FROM SPORTS CORNER



On 26th February 2024, the under 15 girls hockey team won against Braeside Thika 9-0 . Most Valuable players were Prableen Matharu who scored 5 of the nine goals and Dhun Gala, Ruhi Hirani 9D and Patience Waithera 9C. While on the other hand our under 15 boys hockey team won against Braeside Thika 2-1 .



On 27th February 2024, the under 15 girls hockey team won 1-0 against Nairobi International School. While on the other hand our under 13 boys football team won 4-0 against National International School .



On 27th February 2024, our under 15 boys football team drew 1-1 against National International School .



On 28th February 2024, our under 13 girls hockey team 1-0 against Braeside Thika .



On 28th February 2024, our under 13 girls hockey drew 3-3 against Brookhouse International School.



On 28th February 2024, our under 13 girls football team won 2-0 against Brookhurst International School Lavington.



On 28th February 2024, our under 13 boys hockey team A won 5-0 against Brookhouse International School Runda. While on the other hand also our under 13 boys hockey team B won 5-0 against Brookhouse International School Runda.

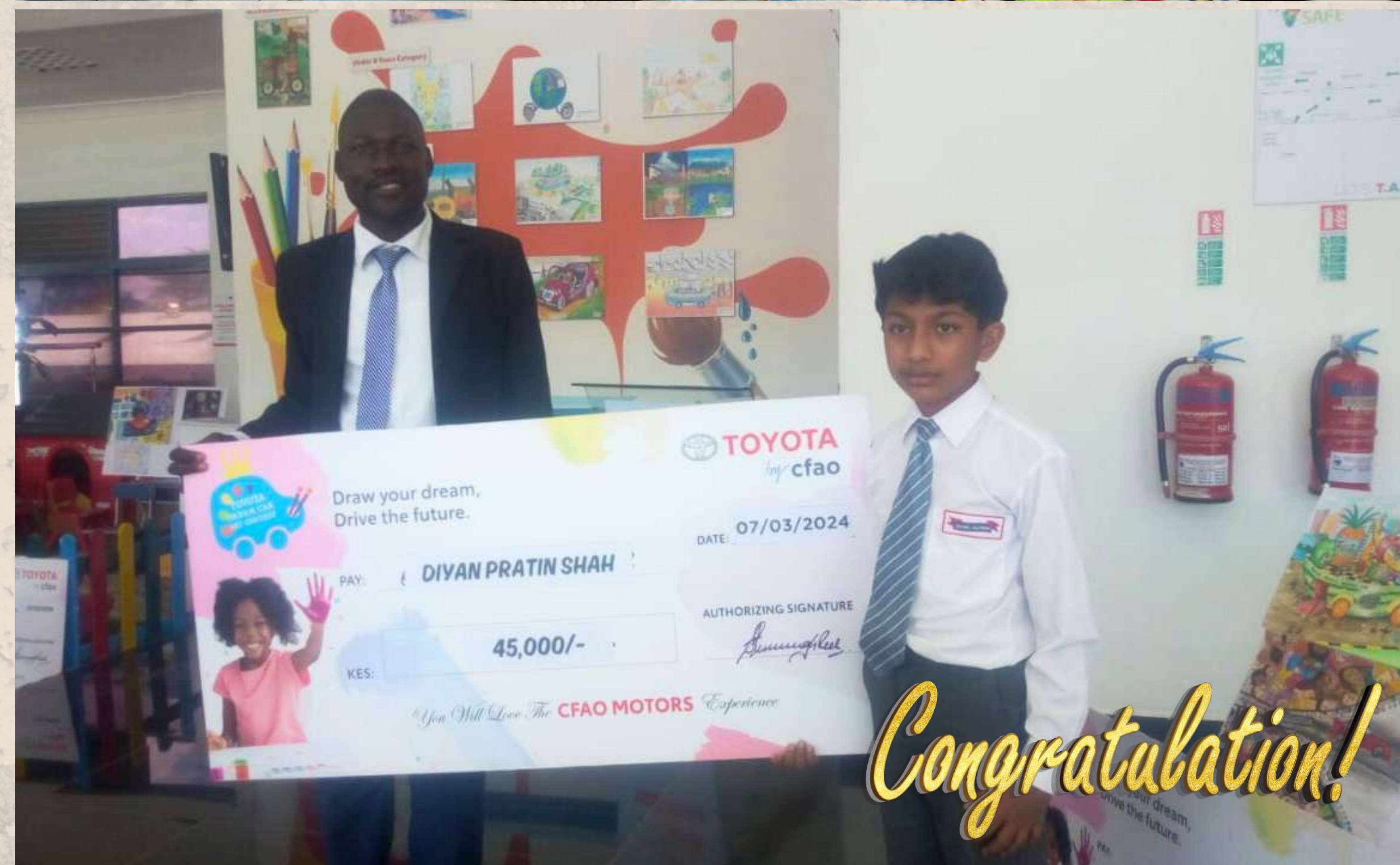


INCLUSIVE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT 2024 INTER-SPECIAL SCHOOLS SPORTS EXTRAVAGANZA AWARDING CEREMONY AT THE ASSEMBLY IN PICTURES



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Join us in congratulating Diyan Shah of class 8A who emerged second position in the 11-15 years age group in the Toyota Dream Car Art Competition



Congratulation!

CELEBRATING READING EXCELLENCE: THE JUNIOR HIGH READING MARATHON WINNERS

We are thrilled to share with you the highlights of our recent Reading Marathon Award Ceremony where we celebrated the outstanding achievements of our dedicated readers. The event was a resounding success filled with excitement, pride and a shared love of reading. Many students were challenged to improve their reading so as to stand a chance at winning next round.

The winners drawn from each year group are as below:

NAME	POSITION	CLASS
Hevir Dhodhia	1	7G
Aahil Harunani	2	7C
Ella Onyango	3	7C

NAME	POSITION	CLASS
Aishani Mittal	1	9F
Nicollette Gikenyi	2	9E
Sanya Shah	3	9D

NAME	POSITION	CLASS
Patricia Musula	1	8F
Vidhi Sanghani	2	8C
Heer Jakharia	3	8D



ANNUAL SCHOOL PLAY "THE STUDENT COUNCIL"

This year's Annual School Play went by the title 'The Student Council' It was a captivating and thrilling play that was full of moral lessons for everyone who watched it. On 27th and 28th February, this play was staged for the students at the auditorium. On Saturday 2nd March 2024, a show for the parents as staged at the same venue. The attendance was amazing and the audience's attention was sustained for the entire period of the play. Besides, the play served as a live classroom for the students of Drama and Music, replete with all the key learning points in as far as stagecraft, costumes, décor and overall production goes.



ANNUAL SCHOOL PLAY "THE STUDENT COUNCIL"



INCLUSIVE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT HOSPITALITY LESSON IN PICTURES



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On 2nd March, our under 13 boys hockey team did their best by emerging 4th position at a hockey tournament.



On 2nd March, our under 13 girls hockey team drew with Braeside Thika 1-1 and lost to Braeside Lavington 0-1 at Greenstead International School.



On 8th March, our under 15 girls football team wrapped up their last match of the term against Peponi school, by edging them out 2-0.

ASSEMBLY IN PICTURES



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

As Oshwal Academy Nairobi Junior High, we are proud to announce the success of one our student from the Inclusive Education Department who took part in a safari rally competition that was held in Nakuru on 2nd of March 2024. The student in conjunction with his uncle modelled their own design of a rally car which is a 2-wheel drive non-turbo buggy model. Muaaz Adil Suriya came third in the competition and this is what he had to say about his experience and journey about the competition, “My name is Muaaz Adil from the Inclusive Education Department . I started my journey into rally as I had passion for cars since when I was a child. My dad bought me a buggy so that I could improve my driving skills. In the month of February this year, I enrolled in the Kenya Autocross Rally Championship and entered my first rally held at Kasarani and came third position. Thereafter, in the month of March I competed in the second rally in Nakuru and again emerged third position. My aim in future is to win the Autocross Championship.” With this remarkable achievement, we would like to thank the parents in helping our students realize their inbuilt talent. Truly, disability is not inability and we are all built differently.



FROM SPORTS CORNER

The sports department has been a beehive of activities with numerous opportunities for our students to engage in various inter-school sports competition.



On 9th March 2024 our under 15 girls' Hockey team won the Kenya Association of International Schools Sports Organisation Tournament as the Gold Medalists at Greenstead International School.



On 9th March 2024 our under 15 boys' Hockey team won the Kenya Association of International Schools Sports Organisation Tournament as the Silver Medalists at St. Andrew Turi International School.



On 9th March 2024 our Swimming team emerged third position and won 15 medals at the International School of Kenya Swimming Gala.