

Lady Whistledown Newsletter



The Grand Opening!



A Showdown at the auditorium of APL GLOBAL SCHOOL!

Gotham city's finest, Batman and Joker, enraptured the audience with their gruesome and fierce duel of vocabulary. After Joker's inevitable defeat, they commenced with the ceremony as the emcees and the introduction of the first ever *INGLISE FESTIVITAS* at the prestigious APL Global School presenting a video containing of the events taking place and the behind the scenes.

The book "Literature's Chronicles", which is an anthology of short stories and events, was released and the first copies were given to Ms. Sarija Santhosh, Ms. Gomathi Prabhakar, Ms. Sangeetha Rajamani and Ms. Vaijayanthi V.

Sequelling this, Head of NIOS, Ms. Vaijayanthi and Head of Senior school, Ms. Gomathi Prabhakar, had a wonderful conversation about the significance and fun of the English language. Ms. Sarija then gave a delightful address to the students, peppered with heartwarming personal anecdotes of hers to stress the importance that English has on modern society and the future. Finally, she declared the much-awaited fest open, to which the eager participants dashed to their respective events.

Note from the Editor

I can say, with utmost confidence, that the inaugural Inglise Festivitas was a rousing success! Students of all grades gleefully participated in an array of diverse events; from the whimsically witty poetry at the Prosody, to the capricious dialogues delivered at Enactus, and the thought-provoking comic strips for The Illustrator. The fun of the English language shone center-stage, and students will very well have unlocked their 'Inner Shakespeare' at the end of it!

- Adithya Kashyap



Prosody

Prosody (aka Poetry Slam) ranged from powerfully moving recitations like the 'Road Not Taken' and Maya Angelou's 'Life Doesn't Frighten Me', to fiercely enthralling poetry like the 'Jabberwocky' by Lewis Carrol and 'Invictus' by William Ernest Henry. All the participants showcased the true essence of a performer and dazzled the audience with spell-binding perseverance. Some participants recited their own poetry which was terrifically (and mildly horrifically) an expression of their true self. Captivating all, the event amused all and was a roaring success.



The Designer

'Don't judge a book by its cover.' Despite the more-than-straightforward warning of the quote, the cover of a book is often the make or break for a prospective reader. The Designer event started with high energy, hosting close to fifteen bright and creative artists sharing their interpretations and views on how the cover of their chosen books could have been. Artists in the event especially enjoyed how they were able to express the plot in their own unique way.



Know your words

While the atmosphere of this spelling bee might have been taxing, every participant buzzed with excitement and exhilaration as each letter was calculated then yelled out loud, with caution and wary. Every 'correct' from our OC was followed by a sigh of relief, with enthusiastic applause from the audience following. Whether the word was nurture, vindicate, pulchritude, sanctimonious, or embourgeoisement, our astute registrants were up to the challenge.

The illustrator

Although this event was hidden away from the rest, in a quiet, empty corridor, our participants' inner creative voices were louder than ever. Each one hunched over their desk, their expressions remained earnest- yet their drawings and dialogues said otherwise. Humorous

sketches and illustrations were scattered across the tables of 12G, and it was evident that each student was implementing their prompt with sincerity. Prompts like 'cliffhanger', 'Gen Z travels to the past' and 'different forms of english' translated into amusing and witty illustrations.



Cross!- the crossword challenge

Our participants' eyes were glued to the computer screens, glowing with zest. Typically one would expect to be the solver of these puzzles, yet today our participants had the refreshing opportunity to create a puzzle of their own. This turned out to be more time consuming than one though, as our students were keenly buried in research. However, once the event came to an end, they presented their crosswords with utmost pride.



Anthology

Symbolizing the inauguration of the first ever APL English Fest, "Anthology de festivitas inglise" remains the last link to the era of the first edition. A compilation of verses and short literary compositions from high-school students sharing their personal recollections, or those just letting their creativity ebb and flow, displaying their spine-chilling oeuvre. From escaping the bourgeois lifestyle to escaping a confrontation with reality, the anthology is an eclectic collection of suspense, tragedy, regret. Ms. Sangeetha, head of training and teacher-mentor center, flagged the release of the book to roaring applause, and the first copies were distributed to our heads of school.

The Universal Map

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The Universal Map was one of the most lively events of the day! Books are read for the experience, and this event was certainly not short of it. Participants were allowed to choose from a variety of iconic sample excerpts and expected to make a map of the setting described. The settings included the beloved magic school of the Harry Potter series, Hogwarts; the memorable half blood camp from Percy Jackson among others. Anyone present in the room could have felt palpable

tension, as participants rushed to complete their maps within the tight time limit.

Dance To The Tunes

This event was a humorous trip through memories for participants, making it highly amusing and entertaining. Participants were expected to perform spontaneous dance performances to nursery rhymes played in the background. The teams had a fun time preparing their choreographies to well-known tunes like Baby Shark. While the event was chaotic at times, it was certainly memorable.



Popcorn Tales

In the dark depths of the 10A classroom students gathered around to discuss and critique the most renowned films in the cinematic world. True-blue movie buffs congregated at this much-awaited event to offer their sagacious analyses of various iconic films. The perceptive participants were able to detail sundry aspects that watchers often overlook in films- these included the effect of the pitch of music to the role of camera angles on the viewing experience.

Quiz

The quiz was easily one of the more engaging events, with a large number of participants huddling into the auditorium. The questions were all related to books and poetry, and the energy was matched by an enthusiastic audience who were keen to answer. The most intriguing part of the event were the team names. The participants came up with interesting names like Kothu Parotta, Apdi Pode, Malnourished men and Malai Kofta. All teams put their most competitive foot forward, which even got one of the teams disqualified! Overall, the quiz was a fun and jovial event with lively interactions between the MCs and participants.

The Ultimate Guide

The Ultimate guide was a pretty straightforward event- participants were expected to make the ultimate guide of the object or creature of their choice. Participants writing about objects were expected to share basic ideas on how to take care of the object and use it correctly. Those writing for creatures, however, had quite an interesting experience, writing about the activity, health, happiness and maintenance of the creature. Raihan, a participant of the event, described the event to be 'fun' and 'engaging' as he made his user manual for an elf, showing the success and reach of the event.

Soiree

The Soiree was definitely the student's most popular event, where all the participants made mouth-watering dishes. The students and teachers had a great time making, displaying and sharing their food.

Variety of food, ranging from scones and pound cakes to tarts and petit fours, all the food items were simply lip-smacking. The different food displayed spread awareness about English Culture. Most people hadn't fully appreciated the distinct dishes of the cuisine, and Soiree helped recognise the same, thereby fulfilling this Fest's objective.

Enactus

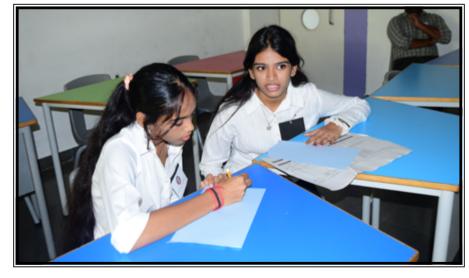
Even the initial troubles with infrastructure didn't stop Enactus from happening! The participants had to write dialogues for muted scenes, the event took an interesting turn when the attendees recreated serious scenes with hilarious dialogues. One of the participants gave a refreshing touch to a clip of Top Gun and Batman by writing satirical dialogues about homelessness and legos. The display of creativity and light-hearted humor was refreshingly encouraging, despite the slight dearth of participants. Overall, the event was touted a success!



The Lyricist

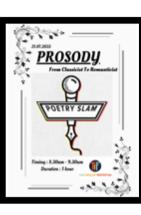
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The quiet and peaceful atmosphere of The Lyricist event depicted the deep thought process and mindset of the participants. Different topics were put up by the organizers and the participants had to choose from them and come up with their own wonderful compositions. Each topic was well-thought and unique, the participants thoroughly enjoyed the creative space the organizers benevolently provided. Attendees came out with wide smiles on their faces in the end.



Events



















Who art thou?

Possibly the most eccentric and comical event, 'Who art thou' offered a chance for participants to dress up as their favorite fictional characters, many of whom partook in elation. Curious students had the opportunity to question the participants in costume, to which they gleefully described their witty personalities and intriguing quirks. This event made the fest colourful and jovial for all/



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