

BHAVANS PEARL WISDOM SCHOOL MANAGED BY BHARATIYA VIDYA BHAVAN, MIDDLE EAST CBSE AFFILIATED SECONDARY SCHOOL- AFFILIATION NO.- 6630208



PRINCIPAL'S ANNUAL REPORT – 2020 -2021

Namaste and A very good evening to everyone!

Respected **Chairman, Sri NK Ramachandran Menon, Vice Chairman Sri. Sooraj Ramachandran**, Director Bhavans Middle East **Smt. Divya Ramachandran**, My fellow Principals of Various Bhavans Schools in the Middle East, Sri Rakesh Krishna our Admin Manager, teachers, dear students, parents, prospective parents and all our well-wishers.

I take great pleasure in welcoming all of you on this special occasion of our Second Annual day celebration.

I feel really honoured to present the 2nd Annual report of Bhavans Pearl Wisdom School- Al Ain for the academic year 2020-2021. First and foremost, I would like to thank God Almighty for all the blessings showered upon us.

Bhavans Pearl Wisdom School- Al Ain

Kulpati K.M Munshi founded the Bhartiya Vidya Bhavan in the year 1938 to inculcate the ageless message of Faith, Self-Discipline and Dedication. To carry the legacy forward, in the year 2006, Mr. N K Ramachandran Menon established Bhavans Middlle East in Kuwait. At present Bhavans Middle East has a training centre and 9 schools. Bhavans Indian Educational School, Kuwait; Jack and Jill- Kuwait; Bhavans Smart Indian School Kuwait, Bhavans Private International School, Abudhabi; Bahrain Indian School-Bahrain , Bhavans Al Saad Indian School Al Ain ; Bhavans Wise Indian Academy Ajman, Bhavans Pearl Wisdom School- Al Ain and Pearl Wisdom School -Dubai.

Bhavans Pearl Wisdom School (BPWS), Al Ain, is an English Medium K-12 school recognized by Abu Dhabi Department of Education and Knowledge (ADEK) and is a part of the Bhavans Middle East Group of institutions started to function on 21st April 2019.

BPWS believes and respects all cultures of all religions and communities and promotes understanding and appreciation of their valuable heritage, culture, and values.

At Bhavans Pearl, we set standard and goals for ourselves and strive to achieve them- be it in the area of Academics, co-curricular activities, discipline, leadership and more.

CBSE AFFILIATION FOR SECONDARY SECTION

We are very happy to inform you that we have received the CBSE affiliation for Secondary School (CBSE Affiliation Number- 6630208) (Grade 9 & 10). We received this affiliation after a rigorous inspection process by a team of IC (Inspection Committee) members duly constituted by the CBSE - NEW DELHI.

Being a very new school in Al Ain, this is a great achievement. We would like to express our sincere thanks to all our parents and well-wishers for their constant support for our endeavors to ensure quality education for our students. We assure you that we will continue our efforts to achieve excellence. Meanwhile, we will also be starting the process of getting CBSE affiliation for the senior secondary (i.e., Grade 11 and 12).

ACADEMICS

Academics is the core focus of our school. All the possible efforts have been taken and, we will continue to take, to ensure academic excellence in our school. We believe that excellence in academics is the hall mark of our school, as a good institution.

ONLINE CLASSES

The academic year 2020-2021commenced with the exclusive online classes initially and later, a hybrid model of online as well as face to face classes were introduced. Detailed guidelines were issued by the authority to be followed during this pandemic. Initially school used Cisco Webex as our platform for online classes and later we shifted to Microsoft Team which is purely an education platform for online classes. Timing and timetable were also modified to fit to the online classes.

1. The school Curriculum

Updated School **curriculum rationale** is in place. One of the major goals for the AY 2021-22 is to have a competent curriculum in place across the school.

Curriculum was modified for online classes. Rigorous curriculum modification is going to take place for the next academic year. KG curriculum will be revised, modified, and enriched to enhance the quality. More emphasis will be given to theme-based teaching with lots of importance on speaking skills along with other skills. The quality of KG programme will also be enhanced with the introduction of six theme based indoor play stations and an outdoor play station. We will also be giving enough focus on fun activities, art, dance, and music classes in KG. Physical activities will also be given equal importance in the KG timetable.

Curriculum for Grade 1 to 10 will be rigorously revised and enriched to make students more competent to face future exams. Curriculum is developed to meet the needs of our students. This process is done in three phases in an academic year. Series of curriculum development sessions are going to take place in the month of March and April 2021.

2. Assessment system and student attainment

Within two years of our existence, BPWS could establish a robust assessment system across all grades. Our assessment system is stress free and helpful to enhance student achievement and progress. It is scientifically designed and proved system, especially in primary section.

The system of result analysis is rigorous at our school and the analysis of student's attainment in 2019-20, based on the school-based assessments shows that our school's over all academic performance was 72% and the term 1 result of 2020-21 shows that our school's overall performance for Term 1 is 81 %. The target set for the overall academic performance for the academic year 2020-2021 was 82% we can evaluate it once the

term 2 exam is over. Our next target for overall academic performance for 2021-2022 is 85% as school average score.

3. MANDATORY INTERNATIONAL ASSESSMENT

decided to We have conduct mandatorv External International Assessment across the school from KG onwards. We believe that conducting External International assessments for all grades will help us to reflect on the performance of our students, to improve our overall academics, to check the consistency and validity of internal assessment, to track the progress of individual child in our school, right from KG onwards by an outside agency in addition to the internal assessment and progress tracking. There is no doubt that, in due course, these assessments will help us to ensure high quality academics in our school.

School has administered International mandatory Assessment titled ASSET (Assessment of Scholastic Skills through Educational Testing.) for Grade 3 to 7 from 21st to 23rd February through online mode. The mandatory International Assessment for Grade 1 and 2 titled Early Childhood years Assessment will be administered through online mode on 15th March 2021. Kindly note that BPWS is the first school in the Emirate of Abu Dhabi and School in UAE to conduct the above-mentioned the 3rd assessment. Such exam for KG will also be introduced from the next academic year onwards.

4. Quality assurance in teaching

All the efforts have been taken to ensure quality in teaching. We have selected competent teachers during the current academic year and the selection process for the next academic year is going on. We have a very robust system of teacher's lesson observation which includes observation by the principal, group observation and peer observation. A series of PD sessions on various topics were organised for all the teachers. These were internal and external PD sessions. We have planned another series of PD session for teachers for the next academic year.

STUDENT'S ATTENDANCE

The Average student **Attendance for the academic year 2019-2020 was 95% and the overall attendance percentage from April 2020 to January 2021 is 94.5%.** Our target for 2021-22 is **96**%. All Students usually arrive *attend online as well as face to face classes* on time. To promote the regular attendance, certificate will be issued for those students who have 100% overall annual attendance. We need the cooperation and support from our parents to achieve this target.

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER AND MAGAZINE

The school Monthly Newsletter -Bhavans Pearl has been released regularly on 10^{th} of every month and the same is uploaded in the school website and also in our social media accounts.

The school magazine "Dhrishti" 2020-2021 will be published by the end of this academic year.

BPWS IN SOCIAL MEDIA

School social media accounts have been regularly updated with various CCA programmes and other events, newsletters, birthday posters, posters of the winners of various CCA competitions and other necessary information. We request you to encourage our students and their activities in these social media platforms.

OUR PARTNERSHIP CONTINUES

We did continue our partnership with various institutions in Al Ain this year too, irrespective of the pandemic situation. We continue to cherish our partnership with Abu Dhabi University, **Burjeel Medical Centre of VPS Health care**, **NMC Hospital** and **Orthoplus** hospital.

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

During the Academic year 2020-21, we have conducted around 90 CCA events in various categories in KG section alone and around 184 events in various categories in Primary and Middle School. This includes CCA competitions, Non -competitive items and various events and celebrations.

- 1. **Mother's day** was celebrated on 10th May 2020. Students celebrated Mother's Day with their mothers by making special cards for them.
- 2. To make KG students aware of the importance of recycling, we celebrated **online recycling day** on 18th May.
- 3. **Colour's week** was celebrated in KG from 17th to 21st May 2020. Students were dressed up according to the colour of the day, they sang rhymes and did various fun activities based on colours.
- 4. **Eid** was celebrated with great fervour and excitement. Special assembly was also conducted with varieties of cultural programmes.
- 5. **World environment day** was celebrated on 5th June to create awareness on the importance of protecting the Mother Nature. Various activities were organized across all grades from KG to G7.
- 6. **Rakshabandhan** was celebrated on 30th June 2020 in KG section to strengthen and create awareness on the importance of the relationship between the siblings.
- 7. **Father's day** was celebrated with great enthusiasm. Students of KG to G7 spent their entire day with their father with various activities such as cooking, playing, exercising etc. Photography competition was conducted in Primary and middle school section.
- True leaders don't create followers, they create leaders. Our Virtual investiture ceremony was conducted on 22nd June. The parents conferred the badges and sashes to the newly elected members at their residence.
- 9. **Summer camp**. A virtual summer camp was organized during the summer holidays with wide varieties of innovative activities which provided excellent opportunities to the students to improve their skill along with enjoying fun activities.
- 10. **Onam** was celebrated on 3rd sept with great pomp and piety. Various colourful cultural programmes were organized to make this celebration a grand success.
- 11. **Teachers' day** was celebrated on 5th September with great enthusiasm. Various activities were organized during the event including the card making activities.

- 12. **International Literacy day** was celebrated on 12th sept with reading competition along with other activities.
- 13. **Grandparents' day** was celebrated on 13 sept. Students recorded special song for their grandparents expressing their love and sent it to them.
- 14. **Hindi Diwas** was celebrated on 14th September to commemorate the adoption of Hindi language as the one of the two official languages of Republic of India.
- 15. A grand **quiz competition** was conducted on 19th Sept. as a part of celebrating Word ozone day.
- 16. **Show and tell** activities were conducted on the topic of community helpers in KG section on 22nd Sept.
- 17. Various meaningful activities were organized in connection with the **Gandhi Jayanti celebration** on 2nd October to inculcate Gandhian values and thoughts in our young minds.
- 18. **World students' day** was celebrated on 15th Oct to mark the birth anniversary of Dr. A P J Abdul Kalam
- 19. **Look alike day** was celebrated in KG section on 6th October. Students and parents dressed up according to the theme.
- 20. **Character week** was celebrated in the month of October. The programme was organized based on the six pillars of the character.
- 21. **Raaganatyamritam** a grand Vijayadashami & Dussehra celebration was conducted on 28th October with various, colourful cultural programmes.
- 22. **Eid Milad Un Nabi** the birthday of Prophet Mohammed was celebrated with fervour and enthusiasm.
- 23. **Rashtriya Ekta Diwas** was celebrated in line with the Govt. of India on 31st October to infuse the value of great culture of India.
- 24. **UAE National Flag day** was celebrated with various activities to understand the importance of the day. A special flag hoisting ceremony was also organized in the school premises following covid 19 protocol.
- 25. **Children's day** was celebrated on 14th November with interesting and exciting events organized by the teachers for the students.

- 26. Various activities, competitions and programmes were organized on the occasion of **UAE National day** to inculcate values and importance of national unity and integrity.
- 27. BPWS celebrated **Dyuti-2** to celebrate **Diwali and Christmas** together on 5th December with the various cultural programmes by students, parents and teachers.
- 28. **National Mathematics day** was observed on 7th Jan to commemorate the birth anniversary of Srinivasa Ramanujan. The programme was featured with Fancy dress competition, competition on construction of Geometrical city, math quiz etc.
- 29. We have proudly celebrated **National youth day** on 12th Jan 2021 to encourage and inspire our youth.
- 30. **Pajama day** was celebrated in KG on 13th Jan with a lot of fun and relaxing programmes.
- 31. **Makar Sankranti** was celebrated on 14th Jan with various activities such as kite making and colouring.
- 32. **Pravasi Bharatiya Diwas** was celebrated on 23rd Jan by honouring the well-known NRI and the president of ISC Mr.Mubarak Musthafa
- 33. **Republic day** was celebrated on 26th Jan with various activities and cultural programmes.
- 34. BPWS celebrated **124th birth anniversary of Netaji** Subhash Chandra Bose on 23rd January.
- 35. **Marty's day** was celebrated on 30th January with various activities for the primary and middle school.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

- 36. **International Yoga day** was celebrated on 21st June with various yoga activities. The importance of Yoga in today's life was reemphasized during the programme.
- 37. **Salad making activity** was conducted to inculcate the habit of eating healthy food and to help our youngsters to understand the importance of eating fruits and vegetables.
- 38. **Blood donor day** was celebrated with special assembly on 14th June to raise the awareness on the importance of donating blood.
- 39. **A Webinar on the topic 'Covid 19 fact and myths'** was organized under the banner of Pearl's Burjeel Health

Club on 20th June 2020. The webinar was presented by Dr. Chinthan Kumar Vyas, Medical Director, Burjeel medical Centre, Barari.

- 40. Drawing and colouring competition on Covid 19 was also organized by the **Pearl's Burjeel health Club**.
- 41. **First aid day** was organized on 2nd Saturday of sept.to spread the awareness on the importance of first aid among the students of K G section.
- 42. BPWS took great Initiative to **promote flu vaccine drive** in line with the program initiated by the ADEK.
- 43. **Breast cancer awareness programme** was organized by the Pearl's Burjeel Health Club for the staff and parents of our school.
- 44. **Global handwashing day** was observed on 15th October to spread the awareness of the importance of handwashing especially in the context of the Pandemic Covid 19.
- 45. **World food day** was celebrated on 18th October to create awareness on how to stop food wastage and ending hunger in the world.
- 46. **National bullying prevention week** was observed from 15th to 21st Nov to create the awareness on importance of preventing various kind of bullying.
- 47. **International Computer security day** was observed on 30th Nov. to create awareness on computer security among our students.
- 48. **Covid 19 vaccination drive** for staff and teachers- All the teacher and staff have been vaccinated against Covid -19. Two shots of vaccine have been taken by all staff and teachers.

BHAVANS FEST AND BHAVAN'S KINDER FEST

We organised Bhavans fest (annual cultural competitions) 2020-21 for primary section and Bhavans Kinder fest 2020-21 for KG section. Under the banner of Bhavans Kinder Fest 2020-21(for KG), we have organised around 34 competitions for various categories. Under Bhavans Fest 2020-21 (Primary and Middle wing), we have organised 104 competitions. These programmes were organised to enhance the various skills of our students. The competitions were judged by the internal and external judges with clear judging criteria to ensure fair result. The results of these competitions were published as circular on weekly basis and the photos of the winners were published in the school newsletter.

In addition to the Bhavans Kinder fest, we could also organise around 56 events and celebrations in KG. In addition to Bhavans fest, we could organise 83 events and celebrations in Primary and Middle wing which we believe is the highest number in the region.

PROSPECTIVE PLAN FOR 2021-2022

Our school is presently a CBSE affiliated Secondary school and K-12 approved school by the ADEK (Abu Dhabi Dept. of Education and Knowledge). Following are our prospective plan for the academic year 2021-2022.

- 1. **Composite laboratory:** Two composite science labs, one for junior classes and another for senior classes will be set up by First week of April 2021.Science classes from grade 2 onwards will be conducted in these labs.
- 2. **Special indoor theme-based play stations for KG**: Six special indoor theme-based play stations will be set up for KG classes by April 2021. This will be set up in the middle courtyard of the KG building.
- 3. **Toddler town KG outdoor play station**: A special KG outdoor play station named 'Toddler town is already set up for KG students in front of the KG building. This will be used based on a timetable prepared for the same.
- 4. **International Assessments**: International Assessment will be the essential and mandatory part of the Academic at BPWS. ASSET (Assessment of scholastic skills for Educational Testing) will be done for the Students of Grade 3 to 9 and Early Childhood Years Assessment will be done for KG to Grade 2 for the academic year 2021-22
- 5. Academic Awards: All the academic awards including the award for considerable improvement, announced during the 1st annual day will be given based on the academic performance of students for the AY 2020-21.
- 6. **Merit evening**: A function called "award evening" will be organised in the month of April 2021 to distribute all the

prizes and certificates of CCA competitions conducted during this academic year. In addition to CCA prizes, we will also distribute academic awards during this function.

- 7. **Inter house sports tournaments** and physical fitness test will be conducted by Physical education dept. for Grade 1 onwards once we start the normal operation of the school.
- 8. **Options for 2nd language:** We will be offering Malayalam, Hindi and French as the optional for second language for the Grade 4 and above from the academic year 2021-22 and Grade 5 and above from the academic year 2022-23. Additional support classes will be offered for Malayalam and Hindi for the students of below grade 4. Parents may contact me for more details regarding school's plan for second language.
- 9. Following programmes announced during the 1st annual day were not introduced during this academic year due to Covid 19 such as "Well Being out of Waste" (WOW), pearl's Green school programme, 'Pearl's Parivarthan group", Pearl's Practical life skill classes, Bhavans Pearls 'BHASHA SANGAM" etc. These programmes will be implemented once we resume our normal classes.
- 10. School transportation for Face-to-Face students: We will resume the school transportation for the students who opt face to face classes from the next academic year commencing from April 2021. Detailed circular in this regard will be sent soon.

CONCLUSION

We believe that we could do a wonderful job for last two years of operation of our school in Al Ain and our esteemed parents and students have expressed their high level of satisfaction regarding the academic as well as co-curricular activities offered at BPWS. We will continue our unceasing efforts to offer better provision of education for our community.

On this memorable occasion of our 2nd Annual day, as we recount our achievements and success with pride and happiness, I would like to dedicate whatever we could achieve, to our beloved students, committed team of teachers, other staff and valued

parents of Bhavans Pearl Wisdom School. I thank our management team for their wholehearted encouragement and continued support. A special thanks and appreciation for their initiatives for the expansion of the campus with more infrastructure facilities.

We seek the blessing from the God Almighty to help and guide us in the future in the right direction.

आ नो भद्राः क्रतवो यन्तु विश्वतः (Let noble thoughts come to us from every side.

Thank you
