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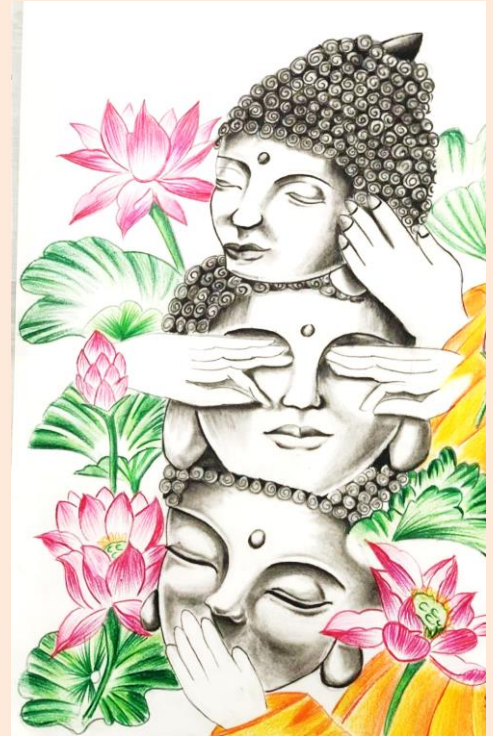
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ROUND SQUARE VIRTUAL CONFERENCE

THEME- CLIMATE ACTION: Now or Never

What's New at Modern

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The Round Square Conference was organised by the Chittagong Grammar School on 29th January, 2021. This event was the First Round Square Conference to be conducted on a virtual platform. Siddhant Ahuja (S6C), Hemanya Suri (S6I), Raghav Ghei (S6I), Parinistha Surya (S6E) and Ojas Gupta (S6H) represented Modern School in this prestigious event.

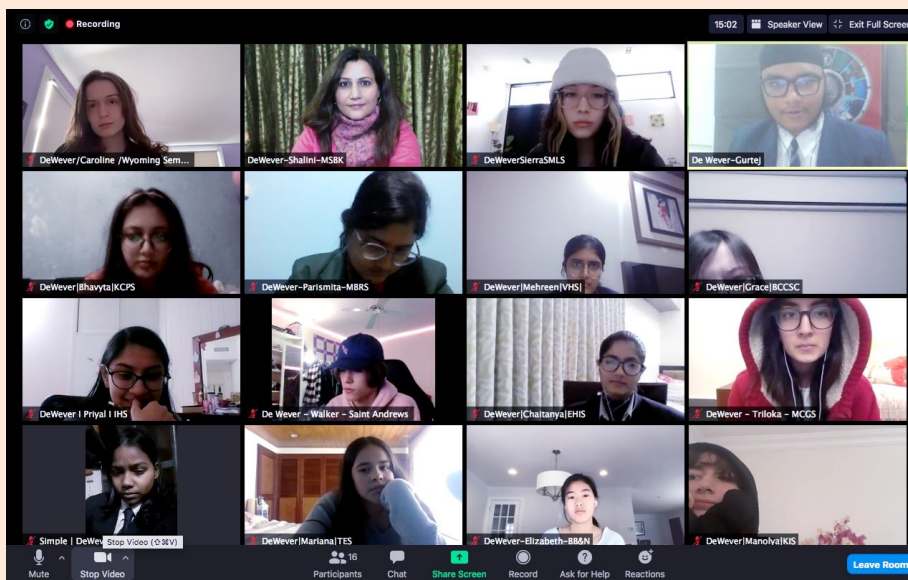
All the delegates were warmly greeted by the Chair person and the members of the Student Committee of the Chittagong Grammar School during the Opening Ceremony. This was followed by an insightful presentation given by the keynote speaker for this Conference- Ms Noemi Marsico.



Ms Marsico's experience in the fields of hydrogeology and water resource management was evident while she effectively conveyed her ideas on climate change. Her emphasis on the fact that "... our small steps would change the world..." made us rethink about our role in preventing environmental degradation.

There are six IDEALS of Round Square: Internationalism, Democracy, Environmental Stewardship, Adventure, Leadership and Service. The Barazza sessions hence occupy the centre-stage in any Round Square conference as they provide a platform for an effective interplay of all of these core values. All the delegates were allocated to their respective Barazza (discussion) groups (e.g Kaplan, Xiye, DeWever etc) where debates around the idea of Global warming ensued.

The organizers displayed the presentations which were made by the delegates of the participating schools. The delegates were supposed to focus on any issue which they face in their locality, eg: air pollution, water pollution etc and give suggestions to combat those problems. Modern School focused on the issue of improper waste management in Delhi and presented innovative solutions to tackle this problem as well.



Students during the online Conference

As the Conference was edging towards its conclusion, all the delegates returned to their respective Barazza groups for an interactive activity session. The students played games like Scavenger Hunt, and had a quiz as well. Finally, the Chairperson of the Student Committee delivered a vote of thanks and declared the conference closed.

The Conference concluded with a closing ceremony which premiered on YouTube on 1st February 2021, where the cultural performances of the delegates of the participating schools were showcased.

All of the activities undertaken by the delegates in the conference were appropriate in spreading the knowledge and information we need to save the environment.

Webinar on “*Dinosaurs: Marvel of Nature*”

Ayaan Ahluwalia (S1A), Amaira Jain (S1F), Zara Javed (S2A), Divij Wahi (S2E) and Devasya Agarwal (S2E) from Modern School, Barakhamba Road, on behalf of Nature Club, attended an educational and informative webinar on Dinosaurs, “*Dinosaurs: Marvel of Nature*”. The webinar was organised by the Nehru Planetarium on 4th February, 2021, from 3:00 P.M. onwards on Zoom Application. The talk was given by Mr Saurabh Pal, Geologist, from Geological Survey of India, Jharkhand, Ranchi.



Mr Pal through his bountiful factual analysis of dinosaurs, their different species, their rise, extinction and dominance in the Cretaceous period, broadened the participants horizon about nature and its unimaginable marvels.

He also said, that nature is not only something to explore rather an experience to learn from creativity. The participants were told how Dinosaurs came into existence during the Triassic period and how they became extremely dominant and powerful by the Cretaceous period.

Mr Saurabh Pal also enlightened the students about the ancestors, descendants and relatives of dinosaurs.

He ended the webinar by enumerating the reasons as to why students should take interest in Paleontology. The webinar was truly an enriching experience which deepened the interest of the participants in science, paleontology.

Creative Corner

Come, Lets strengthen ourselves

Come, Lets strengthen ourselves,
with positivity, patience, and acceptance.
Covid-19 ringing warning bells,
defeat this virus by our persistence.

Keep our minds fresh and alert,
listening to songs and reading books.
Lounging around in a sweatshirt,
making food like professional cooks.

Sleep schedule all gone- coffee is to blame,
masks, sanitizers, and gloves- the newest
trends.
Staying at home is the main aim,
need a calendar to remember weekends.

Movies, series, and shows,
binge watching and eating,
inches around our belly increasing our woes,
attending all Teams, Meet and Zoom meeting.

Getting time for yourself,
let's use this time for some 'me' time.
Reading old books against the bookshelf,
catching up with our old 'partners of crime'.

School and office working as regular,
getting to know some new talents.
Missing some special place in particular,
spending more time with friends and parents.

Come, Lets strengthen ourselves,
it's only a little time, stay at home and
strengthen bonds.
Arranging and rearranging the shelves,
be there for each other and give kind
response.

Vrinda Kavdia (S6 F)



Sanskrit Article Writing

Students of class S4 wrote articles in Sanskrit language on the occasion of Centenary Celebration of Modern School, Barakhamba Road. Below is the English translation of the essay written by Ananya Nath (S4B).

Modern: A Saga of Dream and Vision

Adorned in the colours of red and white, the brick structure walls of Modern School is one of the prominent buildings in Delhi. Its foundation was laid by Lala Raghbir Singhji in 1920. This year Modern School is celebrating its Centenary. Across various fields Modern School has produced leaders in practically every sphere of India like Gautam Gambhir famous in the world of sports, prominent instrumentalist Ustad Amjad Ali Khan from the world of music, renowned cardiologist Dr Naresh Trehan, Mr Bharat Ram recognised name in industrial sector, illustrious film maker Mr Shekhar Kapoor and Mr Arun Shorie, Barkha Dutt are all nurtured by Modern School Barakhamba Road.

