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Where learning has a purpose

## A Stay Back @ School

To generations of students, boarding school represents the winter of their adolescent discontent; a cold, distant place where parents threaten to send their children if they don't measure up. Well that isn't the case at BHIS-K. The Billabongers were bubbled up with joy to attend the Stay in programme organized as a trial run to give a real life experience of the weekly residential programme offered by the school.

Giving the children company were the faculty members and the residential manager Mr. Jilson. The 4th to 6th graders were excited to experience an entire day at school. From Bicycling to football and basketball, they began their evening by working on their physical fitness. As dusk approached, the children changed into their evening wear and were welcomed to a workshop on robotics. Following this, they had a scrumptious meal and then the talent night began. The children were seen dancing to a DJ mix by Darshan of Grade 6 and heard singing "Believer" by Imagine Dragons.

And then, when the moon gleamed in the night sky they were off to bed in their respective dormitories. The next day the children were up and ready by 6 a.m. They went for a morning jog around the school premises. What followed was breakfast and a motivational talk by their Residential Manager. And before they knew it their parents had arrived to take them back home.

The students hoped if the stay back programme could be extended for a few more days as they had the time of their life.

Time management and responsibility were the two core values they took home that day. This trail run was a testimony of the effectiveness and success of the Weekly Residential Programme proposed by BHIS-K.



## Educational Trip

Four of our teachers- Ms.Pallavi, Ms.Shiny, Ms.Kiruthika and Mr.Yuvaraj were off to an educational trip of visiting the shining jewel of Qatar, Doha. They got to witness the Grandeur 18th Annual Day Celebration of the well-established DPS- Modern Indian School. The trip was indeed fruitful as they returned with a treasure trove of knowledge gained from the team of DPS-MIS Doha. Their Chairperson Mr.Yasir Nainar who is the Vice President of the school, mentored them throughout the educational trip.

The lifelong learners got a chance to quench their thirst for learning as they experienced the working of a top ranked school like DPS-MIS at Qatar.



## Field trip to the ZOO

The KKEL students visited the famous Arignar Anna Zoological Park, known more popularly as Vandalur Zoo.

They took a tour around the Zoo in a battery operated vehicle accompanied by their teachers. They were taken aback by the big cats in the zoo – The lion, tigers and especially the white tiger.

The trip evoked a lot of questions from the young minds about the animals and their needs.

With the ample shade, green cover and plenty of open space, Vandalur Zoo offered a wonderful gateway to the children to learn more about the exquisite animals and birds.



## Echo locating their way

Ever wonder how bats and dolphins communicate? Well, this was the question that kept the students of Grade 1 wondering. However, their question was answered when their teacher helped them experience the process of echolocation where they gleaned information about surroundings by bouncing sound waves off surfaces. The children were blind folded and navigated by their teacher by the clicking of the tongue and by making noises. This lesson surely seeped deep into their minds as they got to experience how certain mammals hear.



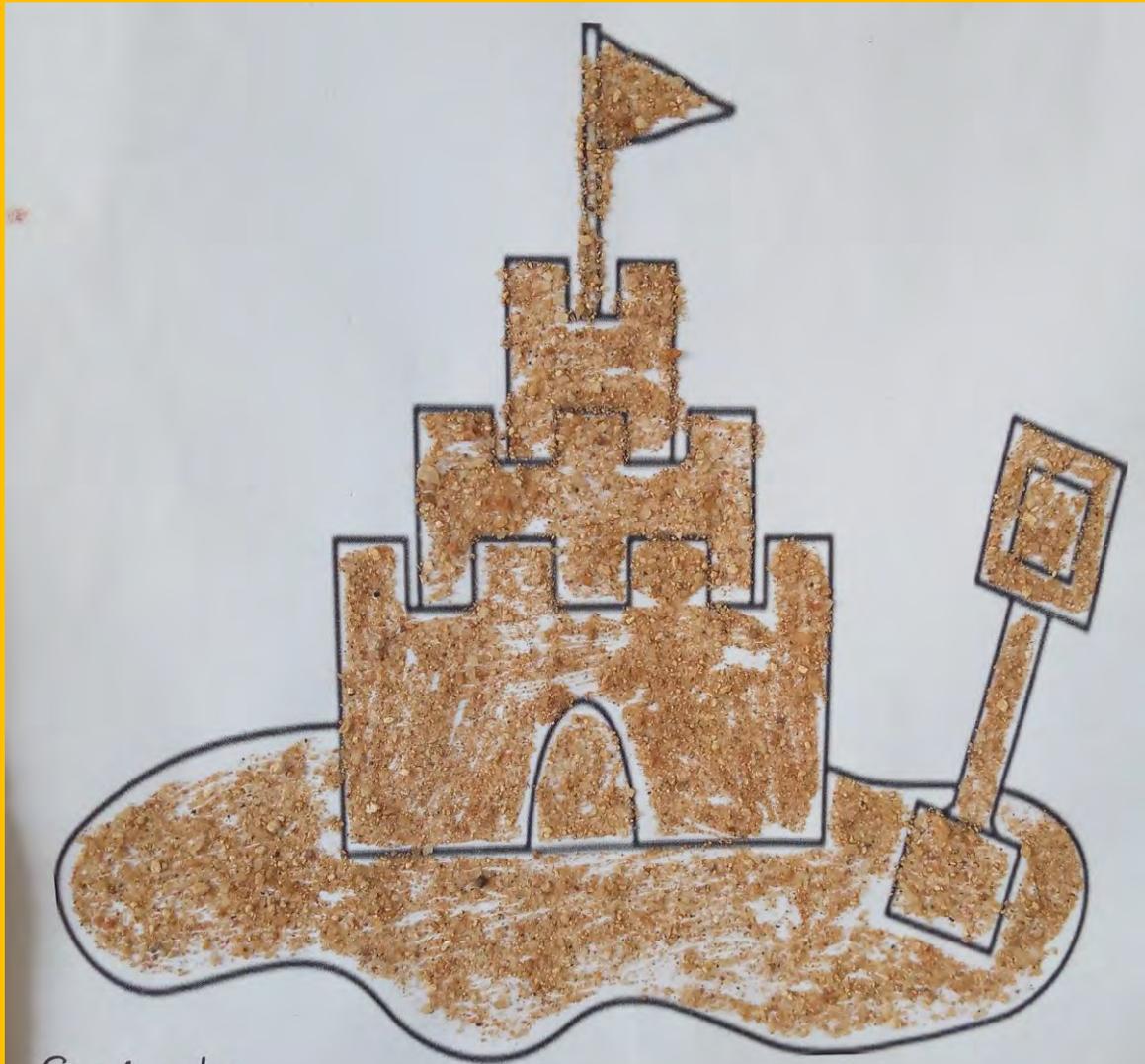
## Online Exchange programme

To help our students in achieving lifelong friendships, and gaining appreciation of host country and culture, BHIS-K has collaborated an online exchange programme with DPS-Modern Indian School at Doha, Qatar. Initiating the programme the children from both the schools exchanged their agricultural and cultural heritage of their respective countries with each other. While the students of DPS resorted to posters and collages, the Billabongers went on to create interactive audio visuals sharing information regarding the culture of southern peninsula.

This was indeed a great start to a lifelong collaboration.



An inventive artist in the making, the star of the week Pramod of Grade 5 has created a unique sand art.



Sand Art  
By  
Pramod  
V-A

## Fibonacci week

In honour of the most influential mathematician of the Middle Ages - Leonardo Bonacci, BHIS-K celebrated Fibonacci week.

The 2nd graders travelled the path of origami to understand the patterns, numbers, sides, vertices and edges in mathematics and through the concept of Fibonacci developed an understanding of geometry and spatial relations.



## Artful Math

As part of our Subject Enrichment Activity, the Sixth Graders connected Math and Art with a skillful Tangram Activity. The challenge to fill in the required shape using all seven pieces kept their vibrant minds hooked and began to stir their imagination.

## You are what you eat

Versatile dishes dressed up with warm Mediterranean flavours greeted our Billabong Family on the last Friday of the previous month as we celebrated the birthdays of students and Staff born in October and November. An eclectic array of dishes tingled our collective taste buds. The deliciously satisfying memories are sure to be cherished for a long time to come.



## Together Everyone Achieves More

Our Fifth Graders were at their united best as they brainstormed about measures for Landslides Preparedness. The poster making activity for Environmental Management was full of fun, team spirit and awareness building.

