

LINGUA SAFARI 2017

October, that time of the year when monsoon arrives in Chennai, PSBB Group of schools hosted LINGUASAFARI 2017 an inter-school event to celebrate language.



Dignitaries on the Stage

Students of std VI,VII and VIII from the city schools marched in on 28th October 2017 to PSBB T. Nagar branch to prove their verbal valour and creative competence.

About 400 students participated in this Language expedition well-equipped with wearing their thinking-caps.

Scholarly scramble was a springboard for the wordsmiths and creative writers who participated in Classicathon and Flash Fiction. Faustian Face Lift provided the stage for readers who guessed the character with the help of the prop and as a team of 3 students improvised the character giving a modern text.

Pandora's box, Jack's Magic bean, Hercule Point's moustache were few of the props that had an interesting 21st century interpretation.

Sahithya Goonj set the stage for the students to recite poems in Hindi, pen autobiographies and create an advertisement in Hindi.

Samskruthalosini, the quartet in Sanskrit dispelled the myth that Sanskrit is slowly losing its sheen. Recitation, Dumbcharades, Group Song and a quiz in Sanskrit was reassuring that the middle school students are fond of this ancient language.

Tamizhcholai rendered a soothing shade to the participants who skillfully tried their tongue-twisters effortlessly. 'Just a minute' in chaste Tamil was refreshing and 'what's the good word' in Tamil reiterated the fact that love for one's mother-tongue will reign long despite the popularity of foreign languages

Thenaruvi was a competition for music lovers. Students rendered Bharathiyar's and Kannadasan's songs, reflecting the poets' passion.



Audience

Feedback from the participating students and the teachers who accompanied them was very encouraging

During the valedictory programme the host school entertained the audience with a role-play by a student of std II as Bharathiyar. Shayari in Hindi highlighted the richness of the language. A skit in Sanskrit unfolded the significance of Sushruta's role in medicine and Rhyme and Mime brought out the Seven Ages of Man gracefully.

Dr. Sudha Seshayyan, Vice Principal Madras Medical College , in her valedictory address lauded the efforts of the host school for giving importance to languages.

An eloquent speak, Dr. Sudha .enlightened the audience on how literature steers us by navigating our hearts to the destination ie a harmonious living. She also beautifully brought out the significance of the word Sahithya. Her speech laced with quotes from Shakespeare and Alexander Pope was equally balanced with Subhashithas from Sanskrit.

'Literature', she said 'is for the heart' while Science is for the mind'. She distributed the prizes and PSBB Millenium OMR won the Overall LINGUA SAFARI 2017 trophy.



Winners of Over all Trophy – PSBB Millennium, OMR

LINGUA SAFARI 2017 was hosted by PSBB group of schools as part of the Diamond Jubilee Celebrations.

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