

Investiture and Annual Award Ceremony for Excellence

"VIRTUS ET SCIENTIA"

Primary Section

In the garden of life each flower is unique and important in itself. No flower is superior than the others but the flower that learnt the value of punctuality always win the race. To recognize those young footprints on the sand of time we the family of Don Bosco School Park Circus has set forth a day to recognize and rejoice those meritorious students along with their eager parents to show that success is not what you have , it's what you have given away.

Our chief guest Mrs. Anuradha Mookherji I.R.S a Parent Representative in our School Managing Committee appreciated the thoughts by saying that the little that they are and with their zealous effort can excel in life just as they have excelled in the academics. The teaching staff along with the management has made them a little scholars but it is in their hand to use up the treasure to make it something constructive. Even the small number that they are can become the volcanoes of the world.

Our Rev. Fr. Siby, the Rector and Principal of our school has appreciated the hard work of our little scholars and has said that this should be taken as a platform to move on in life and achieve many more such merits. They shouldn't think that this is the end of it but a beginning.

After their speech Fr. Siby Vadakel sdb, Fr. Sanjay Kujur sdb and Ms. Anuradha Mookherji felicitated the boys and gave them the certificate of honor. As all things should come to an end so does our programme which ended with the singing of our national anthem.

Secondary Section

**"Be Strong and take courage,
Do not fear or be dismayed;
For the Lord will go before you,
And his Life will show the Way."**

These are the words that echoed all over the school, heralding the inception of the Investiture Ceremony. The Chief Guest for this event was Mr. B.P. Gopalika IAS (Secretary, Minority Affairs and Madrasah Education, Government of West Bengal), who was welcomed with a bouquet and thunderous applause.

The introductory speech delivered by the two MCs, Mrs. Gillian Culpeper and Mr. Paul Jacob, was followed by a melodious hymn to Don Bosco (The Father and Friend of the Youth), which was sung by the school choir. The event proceeded with the symbolic lighting of the Lamp by Reverend Father Siby Vadakel sdb, Rector and Principal, the Chief Guest Mr. B.P. Gopalika IAS, Mr. Ransdale Manuel, our Sports In-Charge, and the

four House Coordinators – Mr. Priyadarshan Bhual (Blue), Mrs. Sharmili Acharyya (Green), Mr. Roy Joseph (Red) and Mrs. Sunita Nair (Yellow). The students performed a recital while the Lamp was being lit, reminding us of the presence of God, who is the Way, the Truth and the Light.

“You are the salt for all Mankind.....” – The lighting of the Lamp Ceremony was made more symbolical with a reading from the Holy Bible by Reverend Father John, reminding us of God, the Light of this World. Reverend Father Rector, then, enlightened the entire school fraternity with his valuable and encouraging words of wisdom. Following such events, the Oath Ceremony commenced with the School Prefect, Piyush Daga, the Vice-Prefect, Amit Prakash Sharma and the Assistant Prefect, Kaustav Bose who took up their respective Oaths individually and were then invested with the badges by Reverend Father Rector.

The Oath of Office was taken by the four House Captains, Vice Captains and Assistant Captains by which they promised to fulfill all their responsibilities with utmost diligence and seriousness. The Monitors, Vice-Monitors and Captains of the various classes took their respective Oaths promising to carry out all their duties.

The Investiture Ceremony concluded with a Speech delivered by the Prefect and a hymn sung by the School Choir invoking God’s blessings on our School.

Award Ceremony

“The will to win, the desire to succeed, the urge to reach your full potential; these are the keys that will unlock the door to educational excellence.”

The Award Ceremony for Academic Excellence began with a speech delivered by the Chief Guest, Mr. B. P. Gopalika IAS, which inspired the students to strive harder to attain success.

The names of the meritorious students were called out class-wise stating the benchmark for each class. The Chief Guest handed over the Certificates to the meritorious students, being assisted by the Class Teachers of the respective classes. Along with the certificates, the students were also provided with a gift coupon worth Rs. 150 by which they could obtain books from The Pauline Bookshop, Elliot Road.

The school also acknowledged the students who had attained Perfect Attendance for the Academic Year 2009-10 by announcing their names followed by a thunderous applause. The conclusion of the event was made more exciting when it was declared that Red House was awarded with the Title, “The Best House” for the Academic Year 2009-10.

Reverend Father John concluded the ceremony by delivering the vote of thanks and requested everyone present to sing the National Anthem.