

Debate in Peace

Model United Nations of Suchitra Academy Friday, 20 July 2018

“We all are one: The youth of today and the leaders of tomorrow”



About 100 students from Grades 8 to 11 attended the opening ceremony of the 1st Intra- School Model United Nations at Suchitra Academy on 19th August, 2018. The event took place in the multipurpose hall. Model United Nations gives students a platform to “enhance critical thinking, leadership and confidence” in order to provide a better understanding on how the United Nation works and the dynamics of international relations

by giving opportunities to assume the roles of United nation representatives. The delegates also develop important social skills such as teamwork, co-operation, conflict resolution, negotiation, consensus-building, public speaking and listening skills. Mrs. Ashraf Unnisa, teacher in charge of the organizing committee spoke about the marking scheme of the MUN and how it works. The music teachers- Mr. Chaitanya and Mr. Dexter composed the MUN anthem which was sung by the choir. This was followed by the MUN participants taking an oath to stay true to the international policies of their country and uphold complete diplomatic conduct throughout the session. Finally, as Mrs. Ashraf Unnisa- introduced the chair persons and vice chair-persons of the four committees, Mrs. Deepa Kapoor, the vice principal of the school, handed over placards and gavels to the respective chairpersons and vice chairpersons of each committee.

FOUR HORSEMEN



Powerful Arguments, Dynamic Debates

With great enthusiasm and excitement, the committee sessions had a great start. All the committees started with the GSL (General speakers list) pertaining mostly to basic problems that the respective countries of the delegates face and how they can tackle it together as bodies of the international community.

The agenda for each committee are as follows:

WHO- *Integration of disabled persons in society*

UNESCO- *Protection of water bodies*

UNEGEEW- *The role of women in economic development*

UNHRC- *Rights to free education for under privileged*

UNEGEEW Committee

The first day of the MUN started with fruitful and vibrant debate concerning the role of women in the economic sector of a country in the committee. The delegates were persistently trying to come to an agreement on how to empower women and incorporate feminism into a world gradually growing to shun sexism and patriarchy.

UNESCO Committee

The committee started with an unmoderated caucus for discussion of topic and without the roll call. During the first session delegates were nervous and couldn't raise motions. After a while the delegates gained confidence as the chairperson encouraged them to take part and open up. The delegates were well prepared and performed well, they raised motions and every delegate participated without any hesitation.

UNHRC Committee

With great determination and will power, this committee began its conference with a roll call followed by General Speakers List. The delegates of the committee were well prepared and confident about their opening speech, they did not hesitate to raise motions, or pose questions in the form of points of information.

WHO Committee

The agenda of WHO was the integration of the disabled people into society. All the delegates were very excited when the chair asked them to raise motions on the floor. Few delegates of the committee had a blurred vision about the information regarding their countries, but others were exceptionally good. When the delegates were open to points of information, few questions asked were irrelevant. At the end, the delegates showed maximum participation.

Le fin de MUN

It is noteworthy that the delegates are very much fluent and show familiarity with the rules and procedure of the MUN. The delegates are quite efficiently catching up with their responsibility and the whole process. The results are really satisfying as observed, great improvement in terms of each delegate's preparation comparing to their mocks. However, the audience disturbed the decorum of committees and it led to further uncomfortable situations.