

—The Fall Issue August 2025 —

# The DP Chronicle: August Edition

*Focus on the goal: Purpose. Growth. Success*



## From the DP Coordinator's Desk

Dear Parents,

The month of August has been a vibrant and enriching one for our IB Diploma Programme community, marked by events that celebrated leadership, perseverance, and academic growth.

We began the month with the Investiture Ceremony, a proud moment where our student leaders formally took on their responsibilities. This event reflected the spirit of the IB learner profile, as students pledged to uphold values of integrity, collaboration, and service.

August also saw the retake of the Formative Assessments (FA), providing students with a valuable opportunity to reflect on their learning, strengthen their concepts, and build resilience in the face of academic challenges. These assessments emphasized the importance of persistence and self-management—skills that will guide them throughout the DP journey.

In addition, sessions on student motivation and guidance were organized to inspire learners to set goals, manage their time effectively, and maintain a healthy balance between academics and well-being. These initiatives aimed at empowering our students to not only succeed academically but also to grow into confident, reflective, and balanced individuals.

As we move ahead, the DP team remains committed to supporting every learner in their pursuit of excellence, both inside and outside the classroom. August has set a strong foundation, and we look forward to the continued growth and achievements of our DP students in the months to come. We deeply appreciate the collaborative efforts of teachers, parents, and students in making this possible. Together, we aim to nurture an environment where inquiry, resilience, and global-mindedness flourish. As the academic year progresses, our focus will remain on creating meaningful learning experiences that prepare our students not just for exams, but for life beyond the classroom.

Warm regards,

Jaya Shahi

DP Coordinator

Vishwashanti Gurukul



# Investiture Ceremony 2025 – A Celebration of Leadership and Responsibility

The Investiture Ceremony of VGWS was held with great pride and solemnity on 2nd August 2025 in the school auditorium. This prestigious event marked the official appointment of the new Student Council for the academic year 2025–26, recognizing young leaders who have been selected to take on roles of responsibility and service.

The ceremony commenced with the lighting of the ceremonial lamp, symbolizing knowledge, wisdom, and the bright future ahead. The Principal, in her address, emphasized the importance of leadership rooted in humility, integrity, and collaboration. She encouraged the newly elected leaders to lead by example and uphold the values of the school.



The newly appointed Head Boy, Head Girl, Sports Captains, House Captains, and Prefects were conferred with sashes and badges by the school dignitaries. With hands placed firmly on their hearts, they took the solemn oath of office, led by the Diploma Programme Coordinator (DPC), pledging to perform their duties with dedication, honesty, and enthusiasm.

The Investiture Ceremony was not just a celebration, but a moment of reflection on the significance of student leadership in shaping a positive and inclusive school environment. We congratulate all the office bearers and wish them the very best in their new responsibilities.



## Masters' Union Team Inspires Future Investors at VGWS

We were delighted to host the Masters' Union team at Vishwashanti Gurukul School for a special session with our DP1 and DP2 students. The team conducted an engaging and informative workshop on stocks and investments, giving students valuable insights into the world of finance.

One of the highlights of the session was the live trading activity, which allowed students to experience the excitement of real-time market dynamics. Our students participated with great enthusiasm and energy, and thoroughly enjoyed the hands-on learning experience.

The session sparked a keen interest in financial literacy among students and encouraged them to think critically about economic decision-making. Many students expressed a desire to explore finance and entrepreneurship as future career paths. This session truly aligned with our goal of providing real-world learning opportunities beyond the classroom.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to the Masters' Union team for bringing such a dynamic and educational experience to our school!

-By Mr Maxson Dpenha



## Charting global pathways: VGWS Empowers Students Through University Engagements.

VGWS successfully hosted the 4th edition of the VGWS World Education Fair 2025 on 22nd August 2025, bringing together prestigious universities from the USA, UK, Canada, Ireland, UAE, Germany, Italy, France, Switzerland, Grenada, and Hong Kong.

The fair provided an enriching platform for IB DP students to engage directly with university representatives, explore diverse academic programs, and gain valuable insights into global education opportunities.

Students participated in one-on-one counselling, asked thoughtful questions, and walked away with a clearer vision of their academic future. The vibrant atmosphere was filled with curiosity, ambition, and excitement for what lies ahead.

This initiative reflects the school's commitment to guiding students toward informed higher education choices and equipping them with the knowledge to shape their future with confidence on the world stage.

On 26th August 2025, the University Placement Office (UPO) hosted representatives from two prestigious institutions – Imperial College London and RCSI University of Medicine and Health Sciences, Ireland. The session provided our students with valuable insights into academic programs, admission requirements, and global opportunities in engineering, science, business, medicine, and allied fields. It also offered important information on education in Ireland, broadening student's perspectives on international study options. Students engaged in meaningful discussions, gaining clarity on career pathways and the skills needed to succeed in competitive environments. Such interactions empower our learners to make informed choices about their higher education journey and inspire them to explore diverse possibilities.

-By Ms.Nandini Dhus



## Club Vibes: Music, Pets & Dance in Action!

This academic year, our school clubs have started with immense enthusiasm, offering students opportunities to explore their passions, showcase their talents, and grow holistically. Each club has created a vibrant space for learning, collaboration, and creativity, while nurturing IB Learner Profile attributes.

Dhol Tasha Club Led by Mr. Vevek Hajaarre, began with great energy and excitement. Students attend every practice with curiosity and dedication, demonstrating strong self-management skills and teamwork. They are inquirers and risk-takers, always ready to try new beats and rhythms. With open-mindedness and spirit, the members not only celebrate cultural heritage but also strengthen discipline, unity, and joy through music.

Guided by Mr. Maxson D'Penha, the Pet Club has become a lively hub for animal lovers on campus. With Thor, our loyal German Shepherd, and Loki, the playful Golden Retriever, at its heart, students have learned about responsible pet care, empathy, and teamwork. DP-2 students have also taken leadership roles, mentoring peers and designing the official Pet Club T-shirts as symbols of unity and pride. Looking ahead, the club is excited to host events and campaigns that will inspire kindness, responsibility, and compassion towards all animals.

Under the mentorship of Ms. Arti Belpathak, the Dance Club lit up the month of August with rhythm, grace, and energy. From adding elegance to the Investiture Ceremony to delivering a patriotic performance on Independence Day and showcasing spirited talent at the Sangam Fest competition, students demonstrated creativity, teamwork, and stage presence. Each performance reflected their dedication and passion for dance, inspiring the school community while enriching campus life with rhythm, collaboration, and artistic expression.



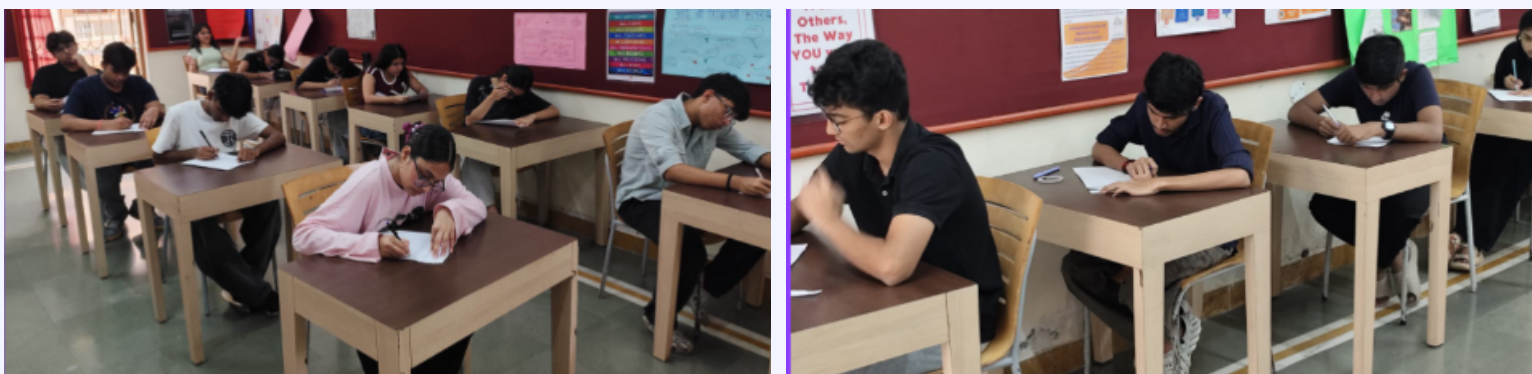
## Striving for Progress: IBDP Students Embrace Formative Assessment Retakes

In the spirit of academic growth and reflection, the retake of Formative Assessments for IBDP students was successfully held on the scheduled date, reaffirming our commitment to continuous learning.

These retakes offered students a meaningful opportunity to revisit challenging areas, apply teacher feedback, and demonstrate improved understanding in a supportive environment. The atmosphere reflected maturity, responsibility, and the drive to excel—hallmarks of the IB learner profile.

Teachers facilitated the sessions with care, ensuring that the assessments were not just about performance but about deepening conceptual understanding. Constructive feedback from these retakes will serve as a bridge toward stronger performance in future summative assessments.

We applaud the students for their dedication and resilience, and we thank the faculty for their guidance and encouragement throughout the process. Moments like these truly reflect the IB philosophy—learning is a journey, not a race.



## Zooming into the Nano World: A Scientific Journey to NCL India

The Chemistry department recently organized an educational trip to the National Chemical Laboratory (NCL), India for the DP1 which turned out to be an eye-opening experience for all students. During the visit, we were introduced to several advanced scientific instruments that researchers use in their daily work. One of the main highlights was seeing the Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM), a powerful tool that allows scientists to study surfaces and structures at the nano level with incredible precision.

We also got the opportunity to observe the Transmission Electron Microscope (TEM), which provides even deeper insights by allowing scientists to look inside materials at an atomic scale. Along with these, we were shown other fascinating instruments that help in analyzing and understanding substances far smaller than what the human eye can detect.

The scientists patiently explained how these technologies are applied in fields such as medicine, materials science, and environmental research. Their guidance gave us a clear understanding of how laboratory research contributes to real-world innovations.

The trip not only offered us deep insights into the world of nanoscience but also sparked curiosity and excitement among students about pursuing future careers in science and technology. Overall, it was an amazing and memorable experience that inspired us to appreciate the wonders of modern research.

-By Ms Alka Chaturvedi



# Global Glory: Our Scholars Shine at World Scholar's Cup 2025 in Kuala Lumpur!

The Senior Scholars of MIT Vishwashanti Gurukul IB World School from DP 1 and 2 brought laurels to the school with their exceptional performance at the World Scholar's Cup Global Round 2025, Kuala Lumpur.

Our participants were:

- DP 1: Aanvi Ashok Bansode
- DP 2: Udayyan Chauhan, Akshata Sinha, Shaurya Gautam

They excelled in Collaborative Writing, Team Debate, and Scholar's Bowl, securing multiple gold and silver medals. Special recognition was also earned in the Writing Champion Awards, showcasing their intellectual depth, analytical thinking, and outstanding communication skills.

This achievement highlights the perseverance and global outlook of our senior students, who represented the school with distinction on the international stage.

## **Achievements of Our Scholars:**

**Udayyan Chauhan**

**Gold Medal – Debate (Team)**

**Gold Medal – Writing (Individual)**

**Gold Medal – Team Writing**

**Silver Medal – Social Studies (Individual)**

**Aanvi Ashok Bansode**

**Gold Medal – Science (Individual)**

**Silver Medal – Special Area (Individual)**

**Gold Medal – Team Writing**

**Silver Medal – Team Challenge**

**Akshata Sinha**

**Gold Medal – Debate (Team)**

**Silver Medal – Writing (Individual)**

**Gold Medal – Team Writing**

**Gold Medal – Social Studies (Team)**

**Shaurya Gautam**

**Gold Medal – Debate (Team)**

**Gold Medal – Writing (Individual)**

**Silver Medal – Science (Individual)**

**Gold Medal – Team Writing**



## Soaring to New Heights: Aviation Pilot Simulation Program Takes Off at School!

Our school recently took learning to the skies with an exciting three-day Aviation Pilot Simulation Program, giving students a one-of-a-kind opportunity to explore the world of aviation from inside a flight simulator.

From Day 1, students stepped into the role of a pilot, gaining hands-on experience in a realistic cockpit setup. They learned about the science of flight, key aviation concepts, and the crucial steps involved in takeoff, mid-air control, and landing. Guided by aviation experts, students engaged in simulated flying experiences that sparked curiosity and enthusiasm.

The highlight of the workshop was the live cockpit simulation, where students actively participated in flying sessions, practiced reading cockpit instruments, and made real-time decisions just like professional pilots. Their excitement was contagious, and many were eager to ask questions and learn more about careers in aviation and aerospace.

The Aviation Pilot Simulation Program offered students a unique opportunity to experience the thrill of being in a pilot's seat while building essential skills such as critical thinking, focus, and situational awareness. The joy and excitement on their faces spoke volumes, making it a truly unforgettable journey above the clouds. Blending education with inspiration, the program stood out as a powerful learning experience, and we look forward to introducing more such innovative initiatives to our school community.

-By Ms Sudhi Gupta ( IB DPAC)



## Vox Veritas: A Forum of Voices, Vision, and Values

MIT Vishwashanti Gurukul proudly hosted the inaugural edition of Vox Veritas, a vibrant forum of debate, dialogue, and discovery. Three committees—The Prime Minister’s Office (PMO), Global Economy, and Global Perspectives—tackled pressing challenges with insight and passion. In the PMO Committee, delegates debated the Electoral Integrity and Democratic Reforms Bill, 2025, stressing the need for transparency while safeguarding stability, favoring gradual reforms and accountability. The Global Economy Committee examined whether Artificial Intelligence will deepen or bridge the North-South divide. While concerns of digital colonisation surfaced, the session concluded with a call for cooperation and fair policies to ensure AI benefits all.

The Global Perspectives Committee at Vox Veritas explored the pressing question of who should control media coverage. Rejecting extremes, delegates supported a balanced model where governments ensure fairness, media uphold integrity, and citizens think critically. The forum was enriched with reflections from school leaders and faculty. President Venkatesh Kore praised students for addressing real-world complexities, while Ms. Jaya Shahi, DP Coordinator, emphasized the link between classroom learning and global issues. Ms. Ayushi Godara, Organising Teacher, noted that students are already demonstrating leadership. The day ended with a shared conviction: voices matter most when they inspire solutions.

-By Arnav Kutte ( Head-Boy)



## Divine Rhythms of Faith: Ganesh Chaturthi at VGWS

MIT Vishwashanti Gurukul joyfully celebrated Ganesh Chaturthi with devotion and enthusiasm. The celebration began with the traditional Ganesh sthapana followed by soulful aarti and prayers, filling the atmosphere with positivity and spiritual energy. Students and teachers came together to seek Lord Ganesh's blessings for wisdom, harmony, and prosperity. The event also highlighted the importance of preserving cultural traditions, with students actively participating in singing, dancing, and offering prayers. The celebration was not only a spiritual experience but also a reflection of unity, faith, and joy across the Gurukul community.

The celebration concluded with the Ganesh Visarjan, where students bid a warm and emotional farewell to Lord Ganesh amidst chants of "Ganpati Bappa Morya". The vibrant procession, filled with music, dance, and devotion, reflected unity, joy, and reverence. As the idol was immersed with prayers for prosperity and happiness, the moment symbolized not just farewell, but also the hope of new beginnings. The Visarjan reminded everyone of the cycle of celebration and renewal, leaving the school community with cherished memories and a spirit of togetherness.



# From Aarti to Visarjan: A Journey of Faith in Pictures

