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# The DP Chronicle

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**Focus  
on the goal**

Integrity.  
Responsibility.  
Authentic  
Learning.



# AI: A Tool for Growth, Not a Shortcut to Success

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## FROM THE DP COORDINATOR'S DESK

Dear Parents,

In our fast-changing world, AI tools like chatbots and generators have entered classrooms, sparking both excitement and questions. As your IB Diploma Programme Coordinator at Vishwashanti Gurukul, I've watched students light up when AI helps brainstorm ideas or clarify concepts—like a trusted tutor sparking curiosity. Yet, from my years here, I know the true test isn't the technology, but our choices. Let's reflect together: does AI enhance our learning, or quietly replace it?

The challenge hits home in IB submissions and assignments. I've reviewed work where students leaned too heavily on AI to craft essays or solve problems, producing polished outputs that lacked their unique voice and struggle. Over-reliance turns genuine effort into a shortcut, undermining academic integrity. AI isn't the enemy—misuse is. It skips the growth that comes from wrestling with ideas ourselves.

This connects deeply to IB philosophy: honesty, reflection, and responsibility. Our Learner Profile urges us to be inquirers, thinkers, and principled risk-takers. In my time guiding DP students, I've seen authentic learning shine when they own their process—grappling, reflecting, and emerging stronger. Academic integrity isn't just rules; it's celebrating the beauty of original thought. AI supports this as a tool for refining, not replacing, our humanity.

Parents, students, and teachers are partners in this journey. Parents can encourage discussions at home about the responsible use of technology, while students should pause and reflect: “Is this truly my own work?” Teachers guide learners by integrating AI thoughtfully. Together, our Vishwashanti Gurukul community promotes integrity, originality, and responsible learning. As we navigate AI's rise, let's choose with care. I often reflect on a student who rewrote an AI draft in her own words—it became her best work. Imagine our future where technology amplifies potential, not diminishes it. Pause, reflect, decide: will AI serve us ethically? In our hands, it bridges to deeper, truly personal learning. Our community thrives on this commitment—honest, creative, and our own.

Warm regards,

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## DELFL Examination Conducted at MIT Vishwashanti Gurukul World School

MIT Vishwashanti Gurukul World School proudly celebrates a significant milestone in the linguistic journey of its students. This academic year, the school became an official DELF Examination Centre, marking an important step in promoting multilingual excellence and global learning.

The DELF (Diplôme d'Études en Langue Française) is an internationally recognized certification awarded by the French Ministry of Education and aligned with the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR). It assesses students' proficiency in Listening, Speaking, Reading, and Writing, and the diploma remains valid for life.

In December 2025, our DP1 and DP2 students appeared for the DELF examinations and achieved an outstanding 100% success rate. Many students secured distinction grades, with several scoring above 90%. A special mention goes to **Ms. Bhuvi Vahi** (DP1), who achieved an exceptional 97%.

The DELF certification opens pathways to prestigious universities and career opportunities in Francophone countries, strengthening students' global academic prospects. We extend our sincere gratitude to Principal Mr. Arpit Sharma and the school management for their continued support in nurturing international-minded learners.

Congratulations to all our achievers!



## Celebrating Shiv Jayanti with Pride and Cultural Spirit

Our school campus came alive with energy, pride, and cultural spirit as students enthusiastically celebrated the birth anniversary of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj. The occasion of Shiv Jayanti was marked by a vibrant miravnuk (procession), powerful dhol-tasha performances, inspiring powadas, and engaging skits presented across different buildings of the school.

The celebration began with students dressed in traditional Maharashtrian attire, creating a festive atmosphere. Boys wore kurta-pyjamas with pheta, while girls beautifully represented the culture in nauvari sarees. The rhythmic beats of the dhol and tasha filled the campus with excitement, symbolizing courage, unity, and the rich traditions of Maharashtra.

The procession moved through various school buildings so that students and staff could witness and participate in the celebration. Led by saffron flags and a beautifully decorated portrait of Shivaji Maharaj, the miravnuk reflected respect and admiration for the great Maratha leader.

Students also presented powadas, narrating heroic tales of Shivaji Maharaj's bravery, leadership, and vision for Swarajya. Thoughtful skits highlighted his values of courage, respect for women, strategic thinking, and administrative excellence, helping younger students connect with his inspiring legacy.

More than a celebration, the event served as a reminder of the importance of preserving culture, history, and values. Through music, storytelling, and teamwork, students honored a legendary leader while learning lessons of leadership, integrity, and determination.

The Shiv Jayanti celebration was a memorable and meaningful experience, strengthening students' connection to Marathi heritage and inspiring them to carry forward the ideals of courage, unity, and excellence in their daily lives.



# CAS Food Stalls: Turning Initiative into Impact

This year, the Annual Sports Day and Science Exhibition at Vishwashanti Gurukul World IB School became more than just a celebration of sports and innovation. A group of DP1 and DP2 students came together to organize vibrant CAS food stalls, transforming their enthusiasm into a meaningful initiative.

The stalls offered a variety of popular treats, including brownies, soft drinks, Chinese bhel, strawberry choco dips, and more, attracting students, parents, and staff throughout the day. While the stalls generated impressive revenue, the true success lay in the purpose behind the effort. The funds raised will support infrastructure improvements in local old-age homes and provide assistance to students from a nearby Zilla Parishad school.

Through this CAS activity, students developed valuable skills such as leadership, communication, teamwork, and financial management. From planning budgets and managing stock to ensuring hygiene and handling large crowds, the experience helped them build resilience and organizational abilities.

Most importantly, the initiative reflected a strong sense of social responsibility and compassion. By connecting their efforts to real community needs, students demonstrated how entrepreneurship and empathy can work together to create meaningful change.



## A Grand Celebration of Sportsmanship: 16th Annual Sports Day 2025–26

The 16th Annual Sports Day 2025–26 was celebrated with great enthusiasm, discipline, and sporting spirit at Vishwashanti Gurukul World School. The day was a true reflection of teamwork, perseverance, and excellence, bringing together students, staff, parents, and management in a vibrant display of unity and sportsmanship.

The event commenced with the assembly of students and the grand arrival of our esteemed Chief Guest and dignitaries, followed by a spectacular Guard of Honour. The solemn World Peace Prayer set a meaningful tone for the day, emphasizing harmony and unity through sports.

The ceremony continued with the Welcome Address, Flag Hoisting, and House Inspection, leading to an impressive March Past by all four houses. The students showcased exceptional coordination and discipline, filling the atmosphere with pride and excitement. The oath-taking ceremony reinforced the values of honesty, fairness, and true sportsmanship, followed by the symbolic Lighting of the Torch, marking the official spirit of the games.

Our Chief Guest inspired the gathering with motivating words before formally declaring the Sports Meet open. A proud highlight of the day was the presentation of the Sports Star Awards and Sports Support Excellence Awards, recognizing outstanding performers and dedicated contributors who strengthened the sporting culture of the school.

The audience was enthralled by dynamic performances including the Archery Display, energetic drills, Sports Dance, Yoga Display, and Aerobics Display by the students. Each performance reflected months of practice, discipline, and teamwork.

The competitive events that followed were marked by determination and healthy rivalry. Winners, runners-up, and second runners-up were felicitated for their remarkable achievements. The prestigious March Past Trophy added to the excitement and house spirit.

The event concluded with a heartfelt Vote of Thanks, expressing gratitude to the Management, organizing committee, teachers, support staff, parents, and our enthusiastic students whose collective efforts made the day a grand success.

The 16th Annual Sports Day was not just a celebration of athletic excellence but a testament to the school's commitment to holistic development—nurturing confident, disciplined, and resilient learners ready to excel both on and off the field.





## Science Exhibition 2025–26: Inspiring Innovation and Inquiry

The Science Exhibition 2025–26, held on 28th February, was a vibrant celebration of curiosity, creativity, and scientific exploration at Vishwashanti Gurukul World School. Organized by the DP1 students, the exhibition provided a dynamic platform for young innovators to present their ideas, research, and experiments.

Students showcased a wide range of projects that highlighted scientific concepts, technological advancements, and practical solutions to real-world challenges. From innovative models and interactive demonstrations to research-based presentations, each exhibit reflected the students' dedication, critical thinking, and problem-solving abilities. The exhibition attracted enthusiastic participation from students, teachers, and parents, who explored the displays with great interest. The DP1 students confidently explained their projects, demonstrating a clear understanding of scientific principles while also developing their communication and presentation skills.

Beyond presenting scientific models, the event encouraged students to engage in inquiry-based learning and collaborate with peers. It also emphasized the importance of science in addressing global challenges and improving everyday life.

The Science Exhibition was not only an academic showcase but also an inspiring learning experience that nurtured curiosity, innovation, and teamwork. It truly reflected the spirit of exploration and excellence that Vishwashanti Gurukul World School strives to instill in its learners.

