



# Diya Academy of Learning

## Annual Report 2019–2020

### Introduction

The academic year 2019–20 at Diya Academy of Learning was a vibrant journey of growth, innovation, and holistic development. Anchored in our mission to nurture responsible, capable, and creative individuals, the year was filled with numerous academic, co-curricular, and value-based initiatives, helping students grow into well-rounded individuals.

### Month-by-Month Highlights

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#### May 2019 – A New Chapter Begins

The academic year began with excitement and preparation:

- **Teacher Reopening & Training:** Teachers returned for planning and XSEED training, ensuring they were equipped with modern pedagogical strategies.
- **Parent Orientations** were held across levels to establish clear communication channels between home and school.
- **Reopening Days:**
  - Grades 9 & 10 resumed early to focus on board preparations.
  - Other grades and Montessori levels followed in staggered re-opening, allowing a smooth start for all.

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## June 2019 – Let’s Know Each Other

This month emphasized bonding, environmental awareness, and safety:

- **Environment Day Assembly:** Students participated in eco-awareness skits and discussions, committing to green practices.
- **Green Day (Montessori):** A delightful activity with tiny tots dressed in green, engaging in eco-themed crafts.
- **Health Check-up:** Partnering with healthcare providers, students underwent basic screening to promote early care.
- **Road Safety Session:** A vital workshop teaching students responsible behavior on roads.
- **Field Trip for Grades 8–10:** A hands-on, interdisciplinary learning experience outside the classroom.

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## July 2019 – Creativity Unleashed

July celebrated self-expression, leadership, and art:

- **School Elections:** Students exercised leadership and voting rights, fostering democratic values.
  - **Talent Week:** A showcase of music, dance, storytelling, and more, highlighting the unique gifts of every child.
  - **Author Visit:** Inspiring interaction with a children’s author who sparked reading interest among students.
  - **Investiture Ceremony:** Student council members pledged their duties in a solemn and empowering ceremony.
  - **Clay Modeling (Montessori):** Children explored textures and shapes, developing fine motor skills and creativity.
  - **PA1 Assessments:** Conducted smoothly, assessing academic progress in Term 1.
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## August 2019 – Decision Making and Patriotism

This month featured choices, celebrations, and awareness:

- **Elevator Safety Talk by OTIS:** A unique, life-saving session on using lifts safely.
  - **Independence Day Celebration:** A vibrant program with patriotic songs, dances, and a message of unity in diversity.
  - **'Enact Your Favourite Leader' Event:** Students impersonated global leaders, learning leadership qualities through role-play.
  - **Fancy Dress Competition (Grades 1–2):** Fostering confidence and creativity through thematic dress-up.
  - **Inter-house Competitions:** Quizzes, skits, and documentary presentations enriched learning through friendly contests.
  - **Career Talk by Mr. Sugathan:** Senior students explored career pathways in a dynamic session.
  - **Culmination Day (SST Department):** A display of projects, models, and presentations showcasing curriculum integration.
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## September 2019 – Social Responsibility

Focused on values and exams:

- **Teachers' Day Celebration:** Students planned and conducted a warm tribute to their mentors.
- **Hindi Diwas:** A special assembly celebrated India's linguistic heritage.
- **IGKO Participation:** Students appeared for the International General Knowledge Olympiad, testing awareness.
- **Study Tips Session:** A session by Spastic Society experts offering guidance on effective learning methods.
- **PA2 (Half-Yearly Exams):** Conducted in the second half, reinforcing academic discipline and preparation.

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## October 2019 – Communication Skills

Emphasis was placed on effective expression and digital literacy:

- **IEO and TERI Green Olympiad:** Participation in national-level exams promoted academic excellence and sustainability awareness.
- **Field Trip (Grade 3):** Reinforced classroom learning with real-world exposure.
- **Gandhi Jayanti Celebrations:** A solemn homage to the Father of the Nation, with peace-themed activities and discussions.

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## November 2019 – Health & Fitness

A spirited month with energy and achievements:

- **Karnataka Rajyotsava:** Regional pride and heritage were celebrated through music and dance.
- **Sports Week:** Enthusiastic participation in athletics, team games, and fun events reinforced fitness and sportsmanship.
- **Spell Bee and Science Olympiads (NSO, NCO):** Encouraged vocabulary building and logical thinking.
- **Field Trip (Grade 4):** Another opportunity for experiential learning beyond books.

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## December 2019 – Problem Solving

Critical thinking and assessments were the core:

- **IMO Participation:** Students solved challenging mathematical problems in this global competition.
- **Field Trip (Grade 1):** A fun, educational visit fostering curiosity.

- **PA3 Exams:** This term-end evaluation helped consolidate learning before the winter break.
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## January 2020 – Spirit of Sportsmanship

The new year started on a vibrant note:

- **Pongal Celebration:** Students embraced cultural traditions through dance, food, and decor.
  - **Annual Day:** A grand spectacle of student performances across dance, drama, and music, highlighting the year's themes and achievements.
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## February 2020 – Fostering Innovation

Creativity and originality were encouraged through:

- **Farewell for Grade 10:** An emotional send-off honoring the graduating class.
  - **Innovation-themed activities:** Encouraging student-led projects, experiments, and exploration.
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## March 2020 – Women Empowerment

The year ended with empowerment and reflection:

- **Montessori Graduation:** Young learners celebrated their transition with joy and confidence.
  - **PA4 (Annual Exams):** Final academic evaluations were conducted with discipline and sincerity.
  - **Ugadi Celebration:** A cultural event that taught students about renewal and tradition.
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## **April 2020 – Conclusion and Reflection**

- **Completion of PA4 Exams**
  - **Last Working Day for Teachers** marked the end of an enriching academic year.
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## **Closing Note**

Despite global uncertainties emerging toward the end of the academic year, the Diya Academy community remained resilient and committed. We successfully nurtured curious minds, cultivated talents, and reinforced values that will guide our students into the future.

We thank our students for their enthusiasm, our staff for their unwavering dedication, and our parents for their steadfast support. Together, we continue to build a school where learning never stops.