

Music gives soul to the universe, wings to the mind, flight to the imagination and life to everything. World Music Day is an annual celebration of music and an occasion to share the importance of music and experience the joy and rhythm. Music ignites all areas of a child's development and skills for school readiness, including intellectual, social-emotional, motor, language and overall literacy. It helps the body and the mind work together. Exposing children to music during their early development helps them to learn the sounds and meanings of words.

We the Bishopites, believe in the all-round development of our children and so a musical programme was arranged for the children of Nursery to Class 3 on Wednesday the 21st of June, 2022. The event was compared by Ms. Olivia Route Co-Ordinator of the Pre-Primary Section.

Children were very excited to see the lovely backdrop and the musical instruments on the stage. Ms. Gonmei, Mr. Barnabas and Mr. Samai our teachers from the music department described the features of the keyboard, guitar, violin and drums. The music teachers played some melodious music for the children on the various instruments. The children enthusiastically participated in the musical activity conducted with the help of drums.

Children clapped energitically according to the slow and fast beats of the drums. This was followed by the singing of action songs. Children enjoyed singing and dancing. Children were very excited to do the "FREEZE DANCE" activity which was the highlight of the celebration. In this activity, everyone dances as the music plays. When the music stops, children must freeze immediately and hold that position until the music begins again. The music teachers then played some foot tapping music much to the delight of the children. The children were thrilled to dance and experimented with travelling motions such as walking, sliding and jumping, as well as other movements like twisting, bobbing and bending. Their freeze poses were adorable and creative.

The vote of thanks was proposed by Mrs. Fiona Dinger, Co-ordinator of the Junior Section. This was followed by the children going into a time of meditation to the calming music. The celebration ended on a high note when Mrs. Basrai, Junior school Co-ordinator (First Shift), appreciated and applauded the children for their wholehearted and enthusiastic participation.

The Nursery classes celebrated Music Day in their own classrooms. The music teachers went to each division and interacted with the children. The children were fascinated with the violin and the guitar, they sang songs like 'Twinkle twinkle little star', 'The wheels on the bus' and 'Baby shark' with actions. At the end of the day Upper KG, Lower KG and Nursery class children each received a Chinese rattle drum. Classes Upper KG and Lower KG coloured the musical instrument on their Chinese rattle drums. All the children animatedly played with their Chinese rattle drums.

The day was an enjoyable experience for all the children. The Music Day celebration gave the children an opportunity to relax and express themselves.

The celebration concluded on a cheerful note.

-Mrs Milka Thomas (Asst.Teacher-Lower KG)





