



Young author Aastik Sinha scripts a trailblazer

Aastik Sinha of Grade 9A penned two captivating stories in Hindi for NCERT's new curricula book for Grade 1 & 2. The two stories are 'Barkha aur Megha' and 'Daro Mat'. On this occasion, DPSG MR Principal, Captain Dinisha Bhardwaj Singh congratulated Aastik and his parents. "Aastik is a brilliant boy and I congratulate him and his parents on his success."

Ghaziabad's Biggest Univ. Fair on September 2

The most prestigious universities from across the globe will interact with aspiring students of Delhi NCR at the 'University Fair' to be held at DPSG MR on September 2. More than 35 leading universities, including University of Cincinnati, Wisconsin, Adelaide, NMIMS, Thapar School of Liberal Arts & Sciences, OP Jindal Global University and others will be attending the premier fair.

Floodlit Tennis Centre to be launched soon

'Tennis fever' is high in the campus these days as two state-of-the-art synthetic courts with floodlight facilities have come up. The inauguration is expected to take place in September. A Centre of Excellence for Tennis, to be operational during after-school hours for specialised training and coaching is also expected to come up soon, with a top-notch coach on board.

From DPSG to Mission Chandrayaan, Tanisha Bhatia is Nation's Pride

Alumna Heads Remote Sensing Amaira Singh

Ghaziabad: DPSG alumna Ms. Tanisha Bhatia made history with Chandrayaan-3 mission as the project manager in charge of remote sensing team of Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO).

India is the fourth country to successfully land on the Moon, and the first to do so near the lunar south pole. Ms. Bhatia and her team's primary task on the mission is to capture images to



observe the composition of the Moon for further experiments.

On this occasion, *DPSG Times* spoke to Ms Bhatia's father, Mr Rajesh Bhatia. An elated Mr Bhatia said, "We are over the moon with Chandrayaan's success. Tanisha is still with her

team and we look forward to her homecoming. The teachers at DPSG Meerut Road are to be given credit for mentoring her." Tanisha's siblings, a brother and a sister are also studying at DPSG Meerut Road.

DPSG Meerut Road Principal, Captain Dinisha Bhardwaj Singh congratulated Ms Tanisha Bhatia and her family. "Tanisha has made the entire country proud. This is a moment for every DPSGite to cherish. I congratulate Tanisha and her parents. We plan to honour her in the campus when she comes home to Ghaziabad."

Dear Readers Greetings!

The *DPSG Times* is a monthly newspaper published by the students. DPSG encourages a culture to feel intently, observe keenly, think deeply and thereby express themselves in a distinct way. The last few months have witnessed furious activities in the campus, but the mood is celebratory – 'Rocket Lady' Tanisha Bhatia of 2009 batch made remote sensing trendy on Chandrayaan-3 mission, Aashna Chaudhary of 2016 batch joined the IPS, 2023 batch Rishi Kalra secured AIR 3 in JEE Advance. Clearly, the sky is the limit for our students.

Happy browsing!
Captain (Dr.) Dinisha Bhardwaj Singh
Principal, DPSG Meerut Road



HISTORIC HANDSHAKE: Prime Minister, Shri. Narendra Modi with Ms. Tanisha Bhatia and the brilliant ISRO team, celebrating the triumphant success of Chandrayaan 3's lunar mission.

FROM CAMPUS TO CHANDRAYAAN

Tanisha Bhatia loved designing. Early in her life the DPSG Alumna opted to join ISRO, India's premier space organization. Presenting vignettes of her inspiring journey.



EXPERT VIEW

We need to adapt to changes and inculcate 21st century practices

DT's Adya Dua caught up with HM, Ms. Tapsi Jain about CD 2020, its relevance and impact.

Excerpts:

Please share your perspective on CD 2020?

There is a widespread notion that educational systems should empower learners with skills and competencies to cope with a constantly changing landscape. CD 2020 is aligned with NEP 2020 and its prime focus is on cognitive, health and socio-emotional foundations, physical and mental health, morals, and ethics.



How does CD 2020 help students to achieve their goals?

This century is the age of digital technology and knowledge. We need to adapt to the changes to inculcate 21st century skills in our learners. CD 2020 carves a roadmap for teachers, students, and school leaders on how to achieve the desired learner profile and foster a totally student-led learning environment that provides ample opportunities for research and exploration.

How was the CD 2020 orientation with parents?

The parent fraternity has always been very supportive. They too welcomed CD 2020 as it focusses on nurturing those valuable skills, attitudes and dispositions in learners which are essential along with cognitive development.

Teachers' Training focus on CD 2020 and new-age learnings

Amaira Singh

Ghaziabad: A Primary Leadership Developmental Programme on Curriculum Design 2020 was held in the campus for the teachers of secondary wing. The session served as a valuable refresher for the staff members, rekindling their understanding of the curriculum's core principles and shifts. By emphasising on inquiry-based and student-led approaches, the session motivated teachers to create more innovative, engaging, and dynamic learning experiences



TRAINING THE TRAINERS: Teachers of Senior Secondary Wing during the PLDP on CD 2020 at DPSG Meerut Road.

for their students. The session was skilfully led by the members of the English Department. The teachers attending the session said, the

PLDP on CD 2020 gave them fresh insights and they looked forward to share these learnings in the classrooms.

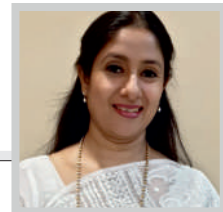
PARENTS SPEAK – CD 2020



Dr. Shilpi Singhal

(M/o Navya Singhal, 9B)

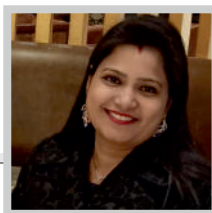
"CD 2020 has played a significant role in my child's progress. It is great to see the emphasis given to critical thinking and problem-solving skills."



Dr. Jyoti Yadav

(M/o Dhatri Singh 10J)

"It is imperative to foster 21st-century skills among students to become future leaders in their respective fields. CD 2020 truly instill these skills."



Mrs. Richa Agarwal

(M/o Riddhi Agarwal 9CB)

"I am very thankful to CD 2020 for my child's development as it has a positive impact on her overall personality and character development."



Mrs. Anjali Dua

(M/o Adya Dua, 9CB)

"DPSG through CD 2020 has played a vital role in my child's development. It has enabled her to learn through project work and exploration."



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INDEPENDENCE DAY SPECIAL



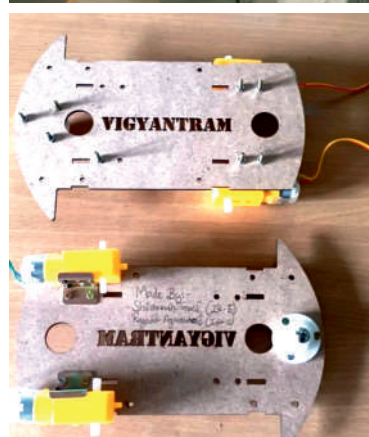
AZADI KA AMRIT: The 77th Independence Day was celebrated amidst traditional pomp and glory by the students, teachers and the staff of DPSG Meerut Road. Principal, Captain (Dr.) Dinisha Bhardwaj Singh with 'Chief-Guest', Mr. Ravi Kumar Singh, ACP Nandgram joined the gala celebration.

Students of Grade VI-X show super-interest in magic of robotics

Diya Bajaj

Ghaziabad: There's something inherently magical and human about robots which captures almost everyone's imagination. The ATL student mentors of Grade IX and X organised 'Robotics Workshop' for the students of Grades VI to X in the campus.

The student master trainers meticulously planned the sessions covering a wide range of dynamic topics like the basics of robotics, designing and coding of a blue tooth-controlled car, using Tinker cad to design a 3D CAD circuit for a car. The workshop was no less than a 'Student Empowerment Programme', that provided hands-on experience to the students where they learned to design the circuit.



THE MAKER CULTURE: The Robotics Workshop was fun-filled and opened a whole new world for the students of Grade VI to X to experiment with robotics.

Celebrating Magical Maths Week



Parents Embrace CD 2020: Our young mathematical wizards from grades 6-10 embarked on a thrilling journey during Maths Week, where they discovered the enchanting fusion of mathematics and creativity. The Maths Week included multiple activities like Mandala art, Math rap, Polygon art, Tessellations, and 3D Illusion art. But the magic didn't stop there! Our parent community joined in on the fun, adding their own touch of vibrancy to the celebration.

Special assembly to mark WWII 77th anniv.



Students of Grade X conducted a special assembly on August 6 to mark the 77th anniversary of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima during World War II. The aim of the assembly was to raise awareness, foster compassion and promote peace. As the assembly concluded, we encouraged everyone to pledge their commitment to stand united in the pursuit of a world where peace prevails.

IB PYP

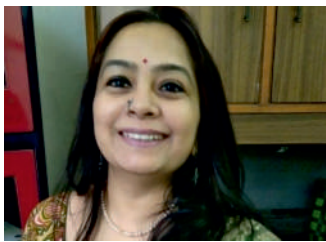
‘We strive to instil a spirit of learning’

The International Baccalaureate board at DPSG Meerut Road is in huge demand. DT's Aradhya Dua caught up with IB PYP Head, Ms. Mona Lisa to get an insight.

Excerpts:

Please describe your vision of IB PYP of the school?

We strive together, sharing some of the best pedagogical practices through collaboration, dissemination of information and developing competencies in learners to imbibe a spirit of learning for life.



How would you rate yourself as a disciplinarian?

I would rate myself as someone not too rigid as well as not overtly flexible. Making learning contextual and relevant for the learners by providing ample scope of inquiry to me falls at the crux of learning and hence is non-negotiable. At the same time, changing plans to suit the dynamics of a class or the requirements of learners, I feel must be dealt with flexibility.

Recall a time a situation needed to be handled with great sensitivity and tact. What was the outcome?

It is difficult to quote a single instance. However, I would like to say that leading a big team is a challenge as it happens many a times that it becomes a task to get consensus from all the team members. We have all agreed to disagree with respect and justify each other's point of view. I think this works well for all of us.

IBDP students get an insider's view on industrial visit to Mother Dairy

Aaditya Chaudhary

Ghaziabad: The students of IBDP wing of the school visited the Mother Dairy plant in Patparganj, Delhi, as part of their CAS educational activity on August 18, 2023. They were escorted by IBDP Coordinator, Mr. Lakshman Sharma and IB facilitator Ms. Sheetal Sharma. Mother Dairy is a wholly owned subsidiary of National Dairy Development Board, under the government of India, which sells milk products under the “Mother Dairy” brand, and is a leading milk supplier in Delhi NCR.

The students toured the facility and got a chance to interact with Mother Dairy officials. The



IMMERSIVE WAY: IBDP students of DPSG Meerut Road developed an understanding of product mechanism at the Mother Dairy Plant.

IBDP students developed an understanding of production mechanism and were appraised with the process to ensure hygiene at the plant. The students were also given demonstration of the

process on how milk reacts with salt, urea, etc. At the end of the tour, the visitors were treated to savour delicious Mother Dairy ice-creams.

Student-led Career Walk impress Parents

Ananya Jain

Ghaziabad: The senior secondary wing at DPSG Meerut Road organized a Student-Led Career Walk on August 5, 2023, with the aim to help students and parents, understand the practical applications of their chosen subjects and the essential skills they could develop by studying those subjects.

Various subject booths were set up where the

students showcased posters, projects, and interactive displays to explain the significance and potential career paths associated with each subject. They shared personal classroom experiences and insights into the career options they could pursue with their chosen subjects. The event was a fruition of the vision of CD 2020: Student led and enquiry based learning.



MULTIPLE CHOICES: Parents at the Student-Led Career Walk organised in the campus on August 5, 2023. Students shared personal classroom experiences and insights into career options.

Today a Reader, Tomorrow a Leader



EARLY HABITS: Students of DPSG Meerut Road celebrated 'English Week' with an array of reading and writing activities.

Interact Team impress with diverse projects

Kanan Saxena

Ghaziabad: The Interact team's Installation Ceremony was held in the campus on August 10, 2023, celebrating 'youth leadership and community service'. Esteemed guests like Mr Priyatosh Gupta and Mr Manoj Agarwal along with other Rotarians graced the

event. President Nikita Arora led the new team and briefed the audience about diverse projects, such as 'Project Being', 'Donation Drives', 'Grain Bank', 'Financial Literacy', and 'Mental Health Awareness Programs' undertaken by the dynamic Interact Youth leaders in the previous academic

session. The event began with a motivational song by the school choir and featured a thought-provoking nukkad natak. Principal, Captain (Dr.) Dinisha Bhardwaj Singh inspired the young leaders to initiate positive changes in their school and community.



COMMUNITY CONNECT: DPSG Meerut Road interact team with principal Captain (Dr.) Dinisha Bhardwaj Singh and Rotarians.

'Drop Everything and Read'



Each year, the school celebrates 'English Week'. The main objective being to enhance the language proficiency of students. The 'English Week' provides a good training ground for developing communication skills. An array of activities was conducted over five days to enhance confidence and competence of the students which included activities like Story Narration, Grammar Bingo, Recitation, Poster Making and D.E.A.R. (Drop Everything And Read). Students participated with great zeal and enthusiasm.

—Shlok Himanshu

'Book Week' for Grade II-V



Books give soul to the universe, wings to the mind, flight to the imagination, and life to everything. In this endeavour, DPSG organised a four-day 'Book Week' in association with Scholastic Co. Pvt. Ltd., wherein students of classes II to V browsed a wide range of books of different literary genres. They also wrote their wish list and purchased books as per their choice.

—Shlok Himanshu

‘Our aim is that DPSG students should be able to stand tall on the global stage’

Innovation is the key to life today. At DPSG Meerut Road, our respected Principal, Captain (Dr.) Dinisha Bhardwaj Singh has on numerous occasions motivated the students to focus on innovative practices. DT’s Senior Editors, Adya Dua, Ashee Bansal and Samved Gautam met up with the school’s Principal in her office to get her views on innovative practises in the campus. Excerpts:

Principal Ma’am, we would like to know your views on encouraging students to adopt innovative practices. What exactly do you have in mind?

Ashee, innovation is the key to success. Had there been no innovation, then probably we would have been doing what nomads have been doing. So, while we look after students to be capable to learn more and enhance their acumen and intelligence quotient, simultaneously, we look forward that their innovative brain be sparked.

They should come up with new ideas, new thoughts which can add value to the system, which can add value to their growth, and later in life, it can add value to the society, so that they can stand tall and make their presence felt to the world. Therefore, innovation is very important. At every step of life, whether you are learning a lesson or doing mathematics, or walking or talking, if you have an innovative mindset then you can achieve wonders.

Do you think that student-centric learning will facilitate the learning of students?

We are here for students learning in school. All teachers are well-equipped and knowledgeable, then why are there gaps when we see the learning outcomes and test them?



THE BIG INTERVIEW

“Innovative teaching is where good teachers are inventive and creative – to devise new methods and content to ensure that students always get the best learning experiences.”

Captain (Dr.) Dinisha Bhardwaj Singh
PRINCIPAL, DPSG MEERUT ROAD

Most of the time, we think that whatever a teacher is disseminating to the students is going the same way he/she expects it to go to the students, whereas student-centric learning or student-led learning is where the student facilitates learning for himself or herself.

When the student has an inquisitive mind, which doesn't come out of the blue, as it comes with the connect of the context which he or she is supposed to learn, which he or she is supposed to carry on and cover it up. That's where student-centered learning makes a big difference, and at DPSG we keep student-centered learning as the focus of learning so that the learning outcomes are

to the maximum and true learning happens.

Why is the shift from teacher-centric to student-centric learning necessary in relation to today's society?

Whose well-being are we talking about? It is the student's well-being. So, if a student is in center, a complete circle will be made and why is shift in society connected to that? Today, students are the reformers of society tomorrow. Unless they develop open-mindedness, unless they are able to think, what will they achieve for the society?

We don't want our students to go back and become part of a regular crowd, and that's where if

the student is learning as per his or her own capabilities, getting nurtured and moving the dimensions of learning and teaching as per their understanding, as per their efforts, as per their outcomes, and hard work, they can actually be creative enough to stand tall in the society to understand what their roles are and what society wants for future.

How does CD 2020 aid in the holistic development of children in today's society?

If you have read the concepts of CD 2020, it talks about what your questions are. It talks about student-centric learning and enquiry-based student led learning. So, again it brings itself and the students at the center where the inquisitiveness is generated in students; sometimes by the teacher, sometimes by the students themselves, sometimes the group together.

When you have a quest, you will go all out to ensure that the quest is taken care of and that's how it contributes indirectly by making it possible that the learning is student-centric and student-led.



A thought for today

“Spoon feeding in the long run teaches us nothing but the shape of the spoon.”

E.M. FORSTER

Bring It On

The outstanding success of DPSG alumni in the last few months has raised the bar several notches higher for current students. From June till August, DPSG alumni have stirred the campus with a series of exceptional achievements. ‘Rocket Lady’, Tanisha Bhatia, an alumna of 2009 batch of DPSG Meerut Road, was part of the 100+ women taskforce which contributed to ISRO’s historic Chandrayaan-3 mission on August 23.

If Tanisha aimed at the sky to prove a point, then Aashna Chaudhary, an alumna of 2016 batch, floored everyone with her inspirational words at Spectrum earlier in July after securing an Indian Police Service ranking in UPSC, arguably the toughest exam to crack in the entire world. DPSG’s young genius Rishi Kalra secured AIR 3 in June in JEE Advance, ranked as one of the toughest exams known globally for school graduates. Their success proves only one thing: that academic rigour, complimented by an environment for inquiry, and focus on a healthy student-teacher-parent relationship continues to be the gold bar for achieving excellence. Now, it’s for the current students to set the bar higher and aim.

Independence Thoughts

Someone recently asked, what does Independence Day celebration mean to generation Alpha in India. It’s been more than 76 years since the country got freedom from the tutelage of 200+ years of colonial rule. The quest for freedom if understood properly, can be infinite.

Today, young Indians are daring to do the impossible, encouraging young visionaries to break – not just push boundaries in the field of technology and start-ups, but also in the social realm. India is shifting under the force of millions of women standing up for themselves and becoming increasingly part of the national endeavour to usher in transformation.

Independence Day also signifies the ongoing social transformation in India. It is a reminder of the shifting dynamics, with millions of women standing up for their rights and becoming integral parts of the national development process. The younger generation is actively involved in championing gender equality, social justice, and inclusivity, making India a more progressive and equitable society.

Earlier this month, we received loud and clear confirmation of the power of women in DPSG Family: alumna Tanisha and Aashna. Young people in India are just diving in and taking risks these days in India, they are also taking responsibility of the consequences of those choices.

The Spirit of Exploration

Chandrayaan-3 is not just a scientific feat; it is a beacon of hope and inspiration, writes **Dhatri Singh**

In a momentous achievement for India, the Chandrayaan-3 lunar mission touched down on the moon's surface on August 23, 2023, propelling our nation into the elite club of countries that have achieved an impact landing on the lunar landscape. This remarkable feat, orchestrated by the brilliant minds at ISRO, marks a giant leap forward not only in the realm of space science but also in inspiring the leaders of tomorrow.

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In conclusion, Chandrayaan-3 is not just a scientific achievement; it is a beacon of hope and inspiration for India's youth. It underscores the notion that with dedication, innovation, and an unyielding spirit, the possibilities are limitless. As tomorrow's leaders, the youth of today should take this achievement as a call to action, a reminder that they have the power to shape the destiny of our great nation.

For every Indian, this achievement is a source of immense pride. It's a testament to the indomitable spirit of exploration and innovation that resides within the hearts of our scientists and engineers. Chandrayaan-3 is more than just a mission to the moon; it's a symbol of India's relentless pursuit of knowledge and its unwavering commitment to pushing the boundaries of what is possible.

Chandrayaan-3 has shown us that the sky is not the limit; it's just the beginning of an endless journey. It is up to the leaders of tomorrow to carry this spirit forward, exploring new horizons, and leading India to even greater heights.

However, the significance of Chandrayaan-3 extends far beyond the scientific community. It serves as a powerful source of inspiration for the youth of our nation who are



Wisdomtree

The First Ones to Acknowledge The Existence of The Solar System:



While history credits Copernicus for proposing the heliocentric model of our solar system, it was the Rig Veda that first noted the central placement of the sun and other planets orbiting it in the solar system.

Rig Veda 1.164.13

“Sun moves in its orbit which itself is moving. Earth and other bodies move around sun due to force of attraction, because sun is heavier than them.”

Rig Veda 1.35.9

“The sun moves in its own orbit but holding earth and other heavenly bodies in a manner that they do not collide with each other through force of attraction.”



IN LOVE WITH RED: Pre-Nursery students of DPSG Meerut Road have fun, celebrating Red Colour Day



FRIENDS FOREVER: The campus came alive with students celebrating 'Friendship Day'.



LANGUAGE IS THE SOUL: A girl student at the English Week celebration at DPSG Meerut Road.



TEACHER'S PRIDE: Student of primary wing bond with their teacher on eve of Teachers' Day preparation.



NATURE BONDING: DPSG STARZ celebrates Van Mahotsav with enthusiasm

SAFE AND SOUND: PYP students learn about 'Good Touch and Bad Touch'.



Primary wing stars shine bright in sports arena

Deepanshi garg

Ghaziabad: In a series of remarkable achievements, the primary wing students at DPSG Meerut Road have showcased their exceptional talents and dedication in various sports. Neehan Girdhar, a cricket champion from Class 5 I, left a lasting impression by earning the prestigious 'Man of the Match' title in a league match at the GMS Cricket Ground in Ghaziabad. His outstanding cricket skills played a pivotal role in leading his team to victory. His journey in cricket is set for many more accolades.



Aahana Kumar with Principal, Captain (Dr.) Dinisha Bhardwaj Singh.

Amyra Tyagi, a young talent from Class 3, emerged as a star in the making by securing the 1st position in the 9th District Badminton Championship 2023, competing in the under 9 age group categories. Her victory is a testament to her commitment and passion for the sport, serving as an inspiration to her peers.

Ahana Arya from Grade 4 displayed extraordinary prowess in the District Badminton Championship, securing the

runner-up trophy. Her dedication to the sport and exceptional performance makes her a promising talent in the world of badminton. These young athletes from the primary wing are shining examples of dedication, perseverance, and sportsmanship. Their achievements bring pride to the school and inspire fellow students to pursue their passions with vigor and determination.

Bend it like DPSGites



ROUND-UP

Advika Barnwal grabs podium finish at District Championship



In an impressive display of sporting prowess, Advika Barnwal, a student of IXC, elevated her school's name by clinching third position in U17 girls' doubles category at the recent District Badminton Championship.

Neehan impresses with 'Man of the Match' award



In a remarkable display of cricketing talent, Neehan Girdhar of class 5I received the man-of-the-match award in the league match at GMS Cricket Ground.

Cheena Sehgal's triple gold haul at District Badminton



In a stellar performance, grade XII's Cheena Sehgal secured gold in U19 singles, women's singles, and seniors mixed doubles.

MEET THE COACH

‘My aim is to make every child in the school fit & healthy’

DT’s Pari Grover caught up with Mr. Nitin Kashyap, Coordinator, Sports & PE, DPSG Meerut Road for Q&A.

Excerpts:



Nitin sir, what is your vision for sports for us?

My vision for sports at our school is to integrate them as a significant component of the curriculum. Engaging in sports not only promotes physical and emotional well-being but also enhances academic focus. Student participation in sports cultivates confidence, sharpens mental acuity, and boosts self-esteem.

In addition to physical fitness, sports instill crucial life skills such as leadership, sportsmanship, patience, teamwork, and social interaction. By prioritizing sports, we empower students to excel both on and off the field.

What motivated you to become a coach?

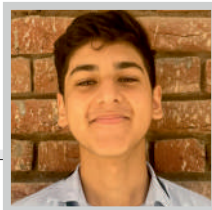
Since childhood, sports have captivated me, imparting invaluable qualities like patience, leadership, and sportsmanship. This passion led me to pursue a career as a coach. Today, it's a privilege to impart knowledge and mentor the next generation of athletes.

GAME, SET, MATCH: STUDENTS GEAR UP FOR ACTION



TENNIS HIGH: The two new synthetic courts with floodlit facilities is expected to boost up coaching and training for students who love the game.

VOICES FROM TENNIS FANS

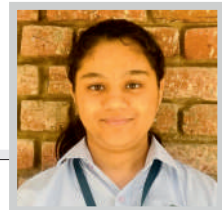


Krish Puri

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The opening of the new tennis court will surely give our students a chance to showcase their talents and climb up the ladder of sports excellence.

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Adya Dua

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The Tennis Court has introduced a plethora of opportunities for DPSG students to learn and thrive. Our school will be producing Leonard Paynes in no time.

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Ananya Jain

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The stupendous tennis court will contribute to the gigantic sports infrastructure of DPSG, Meerut Road.

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Pari Grover

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The new tennis court will unlock the sports spirit amongst the students. By improving the morale of the students, this will pave the way for them to achieve their potential.

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