

REPORT – Spicmacay

Qalam Calligraphy Workshop

By-Qamar Dagar

21st to 23rd August 2023

Time-10:00am-12:30pm

Venue-IA-Building-4th Floor

It has been rightly said that 'A written letter is like a bowl filled with a certain content. The purer the content, the more delicate strings of the human soul it touches'.

Suncity School was pleased to welcome the illustrious calligraphy artist, Ms Qamar Dagar from the SPIC MACAY to hold a 3-day workshop for the students from 21st to 23rd August 2023.



SPIC MACAY which stands for (*Society for the Promotion of Indian Classical Music and Culture Amongst Youth*) is a non-political, nationwide, voluntary movement founded in 1977. It inspires the young minds to imbibe the values embedded in the rich and vast cultural tapestry of Indian and World Heritage.

Our Headmistresses Ms. Deepali Sing and Ms. Kavita Lal welcomed the guest and was felicitated with a planter. The program started with lamp lighting.

Calligraphy is the artistic process of forming beautiful symbols by hand and arranging them in a way that inscribes words that possess integrity, harmony, some sort of ancestry and rhythm.

-The workshop was about teaching pictorial calligraphy, and students learning Urdu and Hindi alphabets. In the 1st day of the workshop Qamar Dagar ji explained about the difference between English and Hindi-Urdu calligraphy style and their different techniques as well. She introduced to the students, how to write Urdu alphabet with Qalam' and acrylic ink. Also with alphabets creating different theme. At the end of the 1st of day of the workshop she conducted question answer session as well.

-In the 2^{nd day} of the workshop, children revised the previous theory and practical both and after that Qamar Dagar ji divided the children in a different group where they were asked to decide the theme to present in the end of the session. She demonstrated different techniques of pictorial calligraphy while using different tools. At the end of the session children presented their theme based work.

On the 3rd day of the workshop our esteemed guest, Qamar Dagar ji showed different techniques of calligraphy, of holding a brush, about using different tools like brush pen, Qalam etc. and few of her work as well. By the end of the workshop, our students were able to create their own beautiful pieces of calligraphy and displayed them proudly. At the end the guest was presented with a gift as a token of appreciation.

The workshop ended on a great note. It was indeed a great learning experience for the students. The sheer talent, selflessness, skill and knowledge was a joy to witness and an inspiration to learn from the best.

Thanking You

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