Registrations Open for Session 2016 – 17 at SDPS International Girls' School. (Boarding available from Class III onwards)
New Start – International Programs In Fashion and Interior Design

SDPS added a new feather in its cap and got associated with Edexcel, UK (which is licensed by the UK Government as a state awarding organization and is the largest awarding organization).

This International Program offers a unique combination of 4 year Design Degree affiliated to SNDT Women’s University, Mumbai along with BTEC Level 5 Higher National Diploma and has uncountable benefits for all enthusiasts of Fashion Design and Interior Design. It includes a study tour to PARIS and also offers a chance to study in any part of the world at any point of time by linking with international universities like

- University of Bedfordshire, UNITED KINGDOM
- University of Central Lancashire, UNITED KINGDOM
- Yale University, USA
- Paris College of Arts, FRANCE
- University of Auckland, NEWZEALAND
- Australian National University, AUSTRALIA
- and many more

It gives me immense pleasure to bring to you the first issue of SDPS Newsletter. The essential purpose of SDPS Newsletter is to inform, engage, inspire & entertain a diverse readership – including alumnae, faculty members, students, parents & other friends of SDPS family – by presenting an intimate, timely & honest portrait of SDPS Group, its people, its program, its history, its challenges, its resources & its mission. SDPS Newsletter is designed to present to its readers the events that have gone by, the newsletter also showcases the talents of our faculty members and students. With a sense of pride and satisfaction I would like to say that with the active support of the Principals, Faculty Members and SDPSites, Newsletter has come alive.

This is the first publication honestly reflecting the activities of the group. A very sincere effort has been made. The students of College of Architecture & Interior Design, Commerce & Management, Education, Fashion Design and Nursing have really worked hard for the publication of the SDPS Newsletter.

I congratulate the editorial team for making SDPS Newsletter innovative and inspiring.

Ms. Sharon Sojatia
Director
SDPS Group

From the Desk of Editor

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SDPSite
Campus Life

Expert Visits – Setting Benchmark in Education

Considering value of advice by experts and need of exposure, SDPS continuously tries to provide students with the best of advice by experts and global exposure for students-

- **Mr. Shekhar Chatterjee**, a Senior Design Faculty from NID, Ahmedabad took a session based on the Design on 14th July 2015.

- **Ar. Vivek Bapat**, Senior Designer took an out of the box workshop on 19th July 2015 for I Year Design Students to clear their cobwebs and to welcome them to world of design.

- To play with colors is the foremost task of Fashion Designers, so SDPS with **Fevicryl** took an initiative of conducting a workshop on Pattern Making on 19th July 2015.

- **Mr. Animesh Gupta** - Specialist in Psychology (University of Toronto) from University of Toronto; took a session based on student psychology on 20th July 2015. The session longed for 3 days.

- **Ms. Meher Castelino**, Official Writer of Lakme Fashion Week and First Miss India took a grooming session of SDPSites on 24th July 2015.

- The field visits to Sang Kitchens Showroom of SDPSites was organized on 31st July 2015. Mr. Sanjeev Champanerkar, enhanced the knowledge of the students during the visit.

- A workshop on eco friendly Ganeshji was conducted on 4th August 2015 headed by Ms. Jyoti Gupta for SDPSites.

- Workshop for SDPSites was conducted by **Ms. Kamakshi Paliwal**, on 20th August 2015 on creative and enthusiastic Parchment Craft.

- An interesting workshop was taken by **Mrs. Vijaylaxmi and Mrs. Sonam Siltani** on Mural Design and Origami for SDPSites on 20th August 2015.

- **Mr. Ken Ferns**, Ace Designer, Mumbai was present at SDPS as a Jury Member on 3rd September 2015 and introduced students with the present scenario of the Fashion Industry.

- A session on Heartfulness was organized by **Mr. Rajesh Raverkar** and **Mr. Vinod Sathe** on 18th September 2015 to relax the student mind by meditation.

- Photography Workshop for SDPSites by Mr. Ronny Sequeria from Mumbai was conducted on 24th September 2015.

- SDPSites had one on one discussion with Guest Expert **Prof. K.P. Rewatkar**, Dean Research, Priyadarshini Institute of Architecture & Design Studies on 29th September 2015.

- SDPSite celebrated World Architecture Day on 6th October 2015. Many competitions were organized for students and were judged by Ar. Rahul Makhija, Ar. Snehal Sontake and Ar. Brijesh.

- SDPSites had discussions with **Prof. Shrikant Bhate**, Veteran Architect and Social Entrepreneur (Pune) on 9th October 2015.

- Workshop on **Kachhi Bead Work** by Artisan Lutuf Bhai (Gujarat) was organized for SDPSites from 12th to 16th October 2015.

- **Guest Expert Mr. Himmat Mandoth** (Bangalore), Secretary of Terapanth Professional Forum – South Zone, Quiz Champion and Renowned Speaker visited SDPS on 19th October 2015.

- **Mr. Mandhar Rane**, Associate Professor-IIT Mumbai and a guest expert at NID, NIFT Symbiosis, IIT-Guwahati was present at SDPS as a Jury Member on 5th November 2015 and empowered the students to inhibit their own creativity.

- **Ms. Farah Merchant**, Vice President, Client Services Outperform (Bangalore), conducted 3 day workshop on “Building Presence and Impact” from 10th to 12th December 2015. Workshop helped the SDPSites to learn team work, collaboration, meetings etiquettes and much more....
Events @ College

- Fashion Show By SDPSites at #IBFDesignerCompetition
- Visit to Heritage & Natural Incredible Beauty #Mandu
- Welcome of #FreshersToTheWorldofCollege
- Students Council #OathCeremony
- A Colorful Extravaganza #DiwaliCelebration
- Teachers were paid Reverence by Students on #TeachersDay
- #OnamCelebration
Students Performances in Hindi on #हिन्दी_दिवस

Exhibiting the #रिच_हेरitage_ऑफ_इंडिया

Practical Exposure to Students #MaheshwarIndustries

#GarbaCelebration IllustratingIndianCulture

#FevicrylWorkshopcumExhibition by SDPSites
National and International Tours

Learning the backstage skills in Fashion Show @ Indian Beach Fashion Week #Goa

SDPSites learning the low cost construction techniques @Laurie Baker #Trivandrum

Learning the exquisite Architecture in land of thunder #Bhutan

Unlimited fun and great learning experience #Paris
Color Day

Every Tuesday Color Day is celebrated and one girl gets the chance to win the title “Princess of the Day”.

Achievements @ College

- Architecture students cleared First Round of NASA - ANDC and RUBENS and are selected for Final Round. Students also won First Position in Debate Competition held in NASA.
- Ms. Akanksha Dwivedi won the title of Best Classical Dancer at RED FM College Ke Tashanbaaz Season 3.
- Ms. Nupur Tanted (Alumnus) did Makeup and Styling of Renowned Pakistani Singer ATIF ASLAM during LIVE CONCERT in Indore.
- Ms. Gracy David secured First Position and Ms. Aparajita Dixit bagged Second Position at Srijan 2015 State Level Competition of Architecture held in Bhopal.
- Ms. Astha Tongia became the winner of photography contest named PIXELS.
International Internships
Ms. Nidihi Davey, Ms. Iram Pithawala and Ms. Jamila Saifee SDPSites went on Internship to Mauritius and did a Fashion Show with Students of Fashion Design Institute, Mauritius.

Tapping the potential to Discover the Creative World of Design
What else is Design? “But a method of Alchemy, something beautiful, something rare, something usable.”
The above quote has been made true by the students of ID – II Year Ms. Priya Jain, Ms. Rimple Menghani, Ms. Simran Arija and Ms. Mehak Khandelwal. By their hard work & creativity and use of Traditional Techniques of Mandnas, Ball Lamps and Colorful Bamboo Hats, they had designed an old Top n Town Shop into Office cum Cultural Gallery for Mr. Aksay Jain in contemporary style.

Initiatives for Staff Members

Faculty Development Program
SDPS started a range of Faculty Development Programs, to encourage enhancement of knowledge on subject areas and to provide innovative approaches to develop the right pedagogical tools for teaching – learning process. Details are as follows:

1. 1st FDP Session on 25th July, 2015 by Dr. G.S. Reddy (Principal SDPS College of Nursing) on Topic – Methods of Teaching.
2. 2nd FDP Session on 22nd August 2015 by Mrs. Jyoti Gangrade (Faculty Member, SDPS Women’s College) on Topic – Role of Feedback in Enhancing the Teaching Efficiency.
3. 3rd FDP Session on 3rd October 2015 by Ar. Vivek Bapat (Senior Faculty Member, SDPS Women’s College) on Topic – “Students and Teachers Relation”

Month End Party
SDPS started Month End Party for all the staff members, to encourage team building. As we know joint efforts of whole team eventually decide the success or failure of project, so for motivation and building trust among employees, SDPS has initiated this step where all the staff members celebrate the birthdays and enjoy various games.

Family Day
SDPS Family celebrated its Family Day on 22nd November 2015. Idea behind the celebration was to welcome the staff with families and to get a chance to know people we work with every day.

Academic Excellence

Toppers of Batch 2012-15

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SDPSites Talk show

It is every year the same yet the very new experience of welcoming new bunch of butterflies to our SDPS Family. The beginning of the new session with arrival of the young and enthusiastic members in SDPS Family brings great fervor and excitement in all of us. The same excitement also arises in our new members, when they come from school in entirely different world of college. With this thought we have come up with the idea of knowing feelings of SDPSites about the college life.

Q. What was your feeling when you left your school and came to college?
Ans. Ever since I heard about the life out of school, I felt elated about the idea. SDPS has been such a great deal for me, and I reckon it still is. Coming to this college was a mere aftermath of my curiosity, however now I feel it has been one of the best starting decisions of my life. Interacting with teachers who facilitate a full sphere environment for students to grow and inculcate qualities in us step by step is a miracle will go through every day.

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Dear SDPSites,

We are extremely pleased to announce that SDPS has launched its 1st Newsletter. For our next edition, we expect and appreciate your support in form of your articles, pictures, events etc. Also send your pictures, as 10 best pictures will be selected for our next issue. Also your valuable suggestions are welcome. As your feedback will be very encouraging and your comments will assist us in improving our work, so please share your information with us at savita.punjabi@sdps.edu.in or info@sdps.edu.in.

Crusader of the SDPS

From next issue onwards, a space will be dedicated to the winner of title “Crusader of the SDPS”. She can be any SDPSites chosen by Selection Committee for a month. She will be nominated by the Principal of Concerned College based on academic & all round excellence, attendance, conduct and achievements.

Upcoming Main Events
(January to June)

- Makar Sankranti Celebration
- International Women’s Day Celebration
- SDPS Wizard
- Holi Celebration
- Republic Day Celebration
- International Conference
- Parishkriti – An Annual Exhibition for students of ID & Architecture
- Alabhya – An Annual Function
- Efﬂoresce – The Graduating Fashion Show