



# DGS Celebrates Mini Bazaar at the Redeveloped Campus in *Style*

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After months of intense preparations, the first ever Mini Bazaar at the newly redeveloped DGS campus came into being on 21st December, 2011, with over 6000 guests including parents, Junior School girls and old girls in attendance. They joined in the fun-filled delights of shopping for exclusive DGS-branded items and engaging in games, whilst taking the opportunity to marvel at the buildings of the new campus. This year was also special in that a large part of the Mini bazaar proceeds was donated to an eye clinic set up by a DGS old girl in the Democratic Republic of Congo.



Sales stalls in Gibbins Place, Symons Place and the DGS Plaza drew huge crowds of people



The ribbon-cutting ceremony marking the opening of the Mini Bazaar: Mrs Dai, Mrs Ho, Bishop Thomas, Mrs Soo and Mrs Lau

The day commenced with the Opening Ceremony, presided by the Right Reverend Dr. Thomas Soo, Bishop of the Diocese of Western Kowloon. After the ribbon-cutting ceremony, the school bell was rung to declare the start of the bazaar. Eager parents and girls soon rushed to various stalls to make sure they could lay their hands on the 39 products that were on sale this year. To make full use of the spacious grounds, this year's Mini bazaar sales stalls were divided into three zones: fabrics, stationery, and miscellaneous items. Some of the most popular items such as tote bags, line paper and a never-before-seen DGS number lock were sold out within minutes.



Girls having fun at a games stall

There were wonderful scenes of Junior School girls running ecstatically from one classroom to another, visiting the various games stalls, and smiling all the way. The bouncy castle, a much-loved fixture in bazaars of years past, was back again and many delighted shouts were heard as girls went wild inside the inflatable carousel. This year's bazaar also featured Crumbs, a local frozen yoghurt retailer. It attracted long queues and very satisfied smiles. Students from the Fresh Fish Traders' School were also invited to join in the festivities as DGS played host and put the Christmas spirit of giving into action.

The Mini Bazaar 2011 was organized by the Mini Bazaar Committee, and included members of the Prefects' Board forming the cohort who are pursuing the New Senior Secondary curriculum leading to the HKDSE. By all accounts, it was hugely successful, with money raised for the eye clinic and other charitable projects. It was certainly one of the most memorable mini bazaars ever.



The carousel-themed bouncy castle - a crowd-pleaser and a huge success

# Joint School Exchange Programme Service Project with Singapore Chinese Girls' School

Smiling from the Heart....)

The School aims to provide an all-round educational experience for its students, ranging from workshops and contests to outreach opportunities and international exposure, allowing them to grow into caring, thoughtful and multi-dimensional individuals. This year, apart from allowing students to excel and contribute through service projects, overseas exchange programmes, MUN conferences and symposiums, the School launched an exciting joint-school science and art leadership workshop with its counterpart, Singapore Chinese Girls' School (SCGS), for the very first time.



Look at what I've made!

Assisted by the Overseas and Exchange Programmes Team Coordinator Mr. A. Ebrahim, 19 DGS girls collaborated with exchange students from SCGS in leading the science and art workshops for 110 Primary 4 DGJS students. After several preparatory sessions with the Singaporean students, the workshops were successfully held on Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> of November, 2011. The DGJS students were divided into two streams, science and arts, with simultaneous workshops conducted at two locations. They had a fabulous time that day, learning how to conduct Biology, Chemistry and Physics experiments in the science labs, as well as having great fun in carefully crafting their very own Infinity Playboxes in the Art Room.



This is how you do it.....  
SCGS student guiding a  
DGJS student in playbox design



The SCGS & DGS Joint-School Service Project Team



Beaming DGJS students showcase their creations

This exchange program not only helped develop DGS students' leadership skills through mentoring their little sisters, it also strengthened the bond between SCGS and DGS. It gave the Diocesan family the opportunity to gain greater international exposure through working with Singaporean students.

"Three words to sum up this workshop? Fun, enriching and one of a kind!" said 13-year-old Alyssa Ling from SCGS, "This workshop is truly beneficial to us in that we were able to instruct the cute, little Primary 4 DGJS students...I really love teaching them!"

"This has been a truly memorable experience for each and every one of us. We really enjoyed being with our little sisters. It is hard to explain, but when they look up at you with that warm friendly smile, you just can't help but smile too, from the bottom of your heart," said a DGS student organizer.

Thanks must be given to the organizers and teachers from DGS, DGJS and SCGS for making this joint-school service project possible. The students from both schools shared and contributed themselves fully; their hearts shone from within as they lived out the school motto of "Daily Giving Service".



DGS....DGJS...SCGS.....One big happy family!

## Teeing Off at DGS

Golf was one of the new sports introduced to DGS students this year. Golf requires not only technical and physical ability, but also knowledge of the rules and etiquette of the game. Therefore, apart from merely being a form of physical exercise, golf also serves as a medium to nurture students into patient, self-disciplined and well-mannered women of excellence.

The Golf Team aims to promote the sport among students by providing them with numerous opportunities to discover and develop their talent and interest in golf. The team is well-supported at the new campus: the sports ground includes a three-bay-driving range, and golf clubs, balls, and putting mats have been purchased for student use. Arrangements have been made so that students can attend golf lessons either at school or at the Asia Golf Club, conducted by professional golf coach Mr. Danny Yung. It should not be long before golf becomes a major feature of the DGS sporting landscape!



Tee time - The Captains prepare for practice

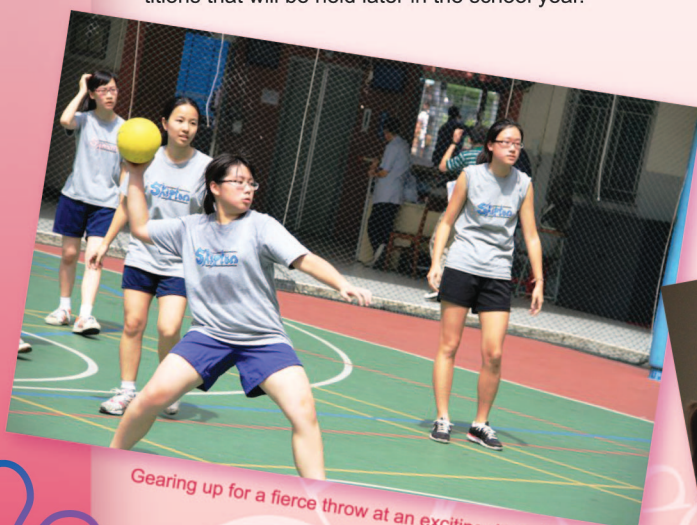
## Dodgeball Fever

Dodgeball is a thrilling, fast-paced game that calls for quick reflexes, excellent hand-eye coordination, and teamwork, and the DGS Dodgeball Club was formed at the beginning of this school year in response to students' growing interest in the game. Over 90 students chose Dodgeball Club as one of their extra-curricular activities. On OLE days, these dodgeball enthusiasts learn the rules, strategies and history of the game, then hone their skills in practice sessions and scrimmages. Once they are on the court, dodgeballs are thrown with accuracy and power – and dodged very deftly as well!

Students are eagerly anticipating the inter-house and inter-class dodgeball competitions that will be held later in the school year.



Intercepted at the very last moment!



Gearing up for a fierce throw at an exciting dodgeball match!



Learning the rules and tactics of the sport during OLE lessons