



# NEWSLETTER

## DOLPHIN MAGIC SCHOOL



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### **Final examination held and new session started**

The final examination of the academic session 2021/2022 is completed and the students have progressed with satisfying grades. There was continuous interruption during that academic year due to the pandemic but the students had a great motivation to come to school and catch up with their studies.





The Final exam was a month late than usual because it started late. Despite everything, the exam was held smoothly and the students were provided two weeks holiday after the end of examination. The result of the final examination was held a week later where the parents attended to collect the grades.

The new academic session 2022/2023 has started from 15<sup>th</sup> of May 2022 and Dolphin Magic School is having maximum attendance ever since. New textbooks have also been distributed to everyone. DMS hopes this year will be better than the last one and wishes to provide an uninterrupted environment for everyone to learn.



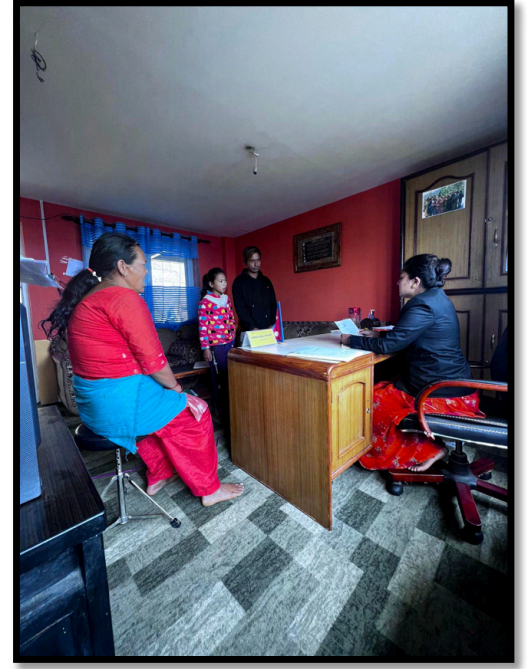
### New Admissions

The new academic year has begun with an addition of 32 new students in various classes. The students have come from all around Pharping and Lamagaun while some of them come from all around the country.

Dolphin Magic School has been providing free education to the needy for more than a decade. Most of the students are simply from a poor financial background and some have it worst. Nonetheless, there are plenty of admissions in DMS every year and this year was no different as 32 new students have now enrolled.







Out of the 32 students most of them are enrolled in Play Group, 5 students in Nursery, 3 in UKG, 3 in grade One, 1 in grade Four and 1 in grade Seven. With the addition of new students, the total number of students has reached almost 200 including the ones that just progressed from the eighth grade earlier this year

Dolphin Magic School has been growing in both in number of the students and infrastructure and hopes to reach a total of 250 students in the future. With the help of sponsor parents, and motivated members of Friends for Nepal and Dolphin Magic School we will continue providing life-changing opportunities to those who need it the most.





## Construction work

### Hostel

The inauguration of the hostel was done a while ago to celebrate the new home for the children who had been living in the school building for a while now. The hostel construction was one of the vital construction project for Friends for Nepal and the completion of the project has brought smiles to everyone.



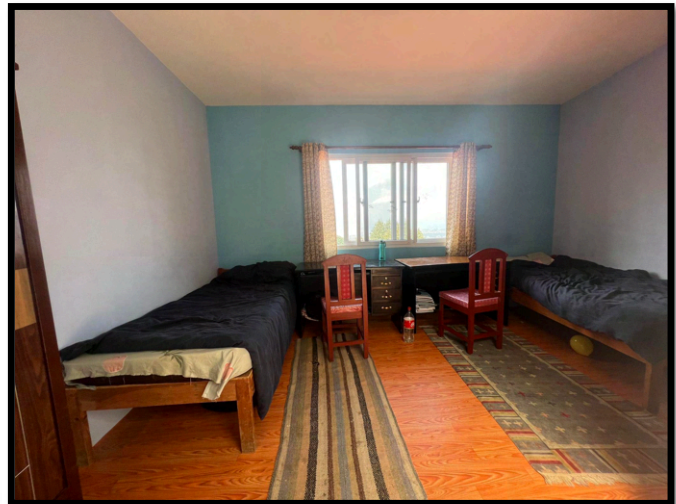
Currently, there are five students living in the hostel and a hostel warden. The hostel has boys' room, girls' room, warden's room and a kitchen for everyone. We now have space for 12 children in the hostel and we will soon find the ones who are desperately in need of rescue.

The current space is adequate for all and well equipped to cook, clean and do their chores. It is a perfect little place which the children can call home.





However, it wasn't always like that. After they had to move from a previous place where they lived for a decade and was not available for rent anymore, the children had to move to the school building to live in. The students lived for couple of years in the classrooms that was previously in use. The school had no choice but to keep the students as it is but had to think of another solution soon because the school is going to need the occupied rooms for other creative purposes.



So, a couple of years ago a project was proposed and approved. DMS was ready to make a hostel for the students and the work began. It took over a year for the project to be complete and DMS is truly satisfied with the result. Friends for Nepal was able to provide a home for the children which they don't have to move away from. DMS is also certain there will be more children living in the hostel in future as there are plenty of kids with similar needs.





## An Improved Urinal for Students and a Washing Area

Dolphin Magic School is considerate of all kinds of change that makes the learning environment more comfortable for the students. After major construction projects in and around the school, another important construction work is now completed. After more than six months of work, the urinal for boys and girls is complete. It is a better kind of urinal than the school had it in the past and more sanitary in comparison.



For so many years everyone had been using three of the conventional toilets which was less spacious and often got crowded during breaks. As the number of students increase every year the need for a spacious and a better urinal was vital. So keeping in mind the need for an alternative as well as considering the increased number of students in future the construction began. Now there is no rush during break times and the newly made urinal has definitely solved the problem related to urinal for a foreseeable future.



A washing area is also constructed outside of the urinal for better sanitation for all. The washing area is big enough for several individuals to wash their hands at a time which helps everyone save time and stay germ free.





## Drinking Water Filtration System



Another important accomplishment in construction work was a long-awaited project of safe drinking water for all. Until recently the school had a large filter stationed in one corner where all students and teachers got water from. It was enough throughout the day but not as accessible for everyone. However, the filtering system has now changed and improved for better availability of pure drinking water.

A drinking water pipeline was recently connected to the school and will provide 10,000 liters of water everyday which is more than enough water for school use per day. The pipeline is directly connected to a new master filter which is then distributed to all the water outlets throughout the school for better access to everyone.

With the installation of a proper water filtration system, we are assured that everyone will be drinking pure water anywhere in school. Dirty water causes most of the disease and therefore we are hoping that our students and staffs can remain healthy and give all their attention towards learning and enjoying every single day in school.





## Bio-farming and Tree Plantation

There has been a lot of development in the farms around Dolphin Magic School. Since few years DMS has been actively farming seasonal vegetables and providing fresh vegetables for school. The farm work is also a way to teach students in better understanding agriculture and its importance. Every Friday the students and teacher look after the crops they planted earlier and harvest the ones that are ready. The school also gets occasional harvest for their kitchen where everyone can enjoy fresh pick of the farm. Currently, there are tomatoes, cucumber, pumpkin, cabbage, cauliflower, etc. growing in the farm.



Additionally, many tree has been planted around the school area which is prone to landslides. The geography of Pharping is moist during most of the year and heavy rainfall during monsoon easily causes landslide.

Huge walls are built to make the area stable and it has been in a good shape so far but planting trees for more stability of the land is only going to make the foundation stronger.







A number of trees such as Jaqaranda, Kalki, Ban Asare, Kapur, Dhupi and Bamboo as well were planted throughout the school area. Here at Dolphin Magic School, we hope, those trees will continue to grow well and keep the surrounding safe and beautiful for a long time.

### Dental Camp

A dental camp was held here at Dolphin magic School by a private medical facility in Pharping for all the students and the staffs of the school. The two-day dental camp provided by Buddhi Ganesh Poly Clinic offered general dental checkup and dental cleaning on site. For dental issues that was non treatable at site were referred to a dental clinic in Pharping for further treatment.





More than 200 individuals benefitted from the dental camp and DMS is grateful for their kind services. Many of the students cannot afford a regular dental checkup because none of their parents think it's important. But the dental camp wasn't just about the checkup but also a learning opportunity for students about oral health and hygiene. The children were also provided with toothpaste and toothbrushes to motivate regular brushing.



Dolphin Magic School has been providing annual dental checkup for all students and staffs and there will be definitely another dental camp next year as well.

### **Teachers recruited for vacant positions**

With the start of a new academic session, there has been some changes in the school regarding the teachers. Two of the existing teachers has parted ways with Dolphin Magic School for their personal reasons. And recruitment of new teachers has also been made for the vacant position. Some of the classes are assigned additional teacher due to huge no. of students.

Among the newly recruited teachers are Sunita Sapkota Gurung and Sunaina Magar for Play Group, Dil Maya Balami for Nursery, Rama Rayamajhi for U.K.G., Srijana Khadka for U.K.G., Samjhana Balami for Grade One, Samikshya Karki for Grade Two and Pushpa Gandarva for Grade Three.







Similarly, a couple of teachers had parted with DMS and among them are Mamata Basnet and Samjhana Balami. Mamata has been a teacher of DMS for 7 years and was class teacher for Play Group and Samjhana was grade teacher for Class One where she taught for five years.

Dolphin Magic School is thankful for Mamata Basnet and Samjhana Balami for their precious contribution and their good nature towards everyone in school. We wish both of them all the best for their future plans and wish them success.





## Health Station Registered



The Health Station in Lamagaun, Dakshinkali which has been financed by Friends for Nepal for several years now has officially been recognized by Dakshinkali Municipality as a health center. A certificate is awarded to authorize the health station as a registered basic healthcare center by the local government authority.

This means now the health station is able to perform a basic medical practice and medication under the supervision of a health professional. The patients can also be provided with referrals to a better health facility if needed.

Similarly, annual health camps can be organized with the help of the government throughout different places according to the need. The health station was already providing basic medical treatment for the locals but now it is open to even more people in need of medical attention.



The health station has been a crucial medical center for the people of Lamagaun and beyond and Friends for Nepal only hopes to reach more people by providing the necessary medical treatment in the time of need.





## DMS Gallery





