



## **REPORT on Fancy Dress Competition “A MELANGE OF FESTIVITIES”**

DATE : 16<sup>th</sup> April, 2018  
 VENUE : ITL PUBLIC SCHOOL  
 ORGANISED BY : ITL PUBLIC SCHOOL  
 CONDUCTED BY : Class I

“A Melange of festivities” an ISA initiative undertaken in collaboration with the British Council of India was organized by ITL Public School , Sector-9, Dwarka. With an intent to pursue the students gain a better perception of diverse festivals and cultural norms ,a “ Fancy dress competition” was diligently organized for the students of class I on 16<sup>th</sup> April , 2018 . The core aim has been to foster the all-round development of our young learners towards gaining a comprehensive vision corresponding to the various festivals and cultural ethics of India and Egypt.

The students of class I dressed up in the traditional attires such as Kaftans, Gallebaya , a skullcap -Taqiyah and headwear called Tarboosh showcasing Egypt’s local dressing patterns and also spoke few lines about the festivals like Ramadan , Sham al – Naseem , Eid –al-Fitr prevalent there.

As a result of this attempt,our enthusiastic students gained immense confidence. The students acquired information on various factors such as origin of a particular festival, methodology of celebrations which included the following:

- Students researched and spoke about the food and Egyptian sweets such as Coctel , Basbousa , Egyptian rice pudding ,etc
- When according to the Lunar Calendar are the Egyptian festivals celebrated.
- Students researched about the culture and rituals followed during Sham al – Naseem and Ramadan as a result of which they learned about the history and heritage of Egypt.

- Students explained how the Egypt celebrates ‘Shemu’ their harvest season by offering salted fish and onions to their deities thus celebrating Sham al – Naseem

This created a sense of belongingness and brotherhood which is an essential step towards preparing the students as future global citizens. Along with developing good communications skills, the activity encouraged students to develop respect for the people of different country living in different part of the world following different habits and lifestyle.

