

PWK Nationals 2017:

A beautiful journey comes to an end

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It is always good to come to the end of a journey but it is the journey that matters in the end. The long awaited finale of Presentation WhizKids' "Presentation Success Summit" took place on January 13, 2018. After months of struggle, competition and learning, the finale was a success.

Presentation WhizKids has been a nonstop journey of Presentation Success Movement since 2013. Every year hundreds of teams participate in this competition. This year was no different. Many teams participated and among them 24 teams got selected in the first round. Twelve teams then qualified into the second round and finally the best 5 teams made it to the grand finale. The finalist teams were Con Artists, Karma Police, Cutiezzz, Dudh Bhaat and Break Even.

After some great presentations followed by in-depth analyses, team Con Artists clinched this year's title of the



champion of PWK. Team Break Even became the first runner-up with a very close margin and team Cutiezzz, with one of the best presentations in recent times, became the second runner-up. But this

year's competition was certainly different than all the previous years. Each finalist team has been guided by outstanding mentors and past winners namely Ayman Sadiq, Ishmam Chowdhury, Sajeed Alam,

Samid Razzak, and Abreshmee Haque who guided the finalist teams to fine tune their work.

The winning teams received internship opportunities from leading businesses and the champion team also received a fully paid trip to the beautiful Sundarbans, sponsored by partner Avijatrik Tourism.

The speakers of the summit were Quazi Mohammad Shahed, Chief Human Resource Officer of Grameenphone and Ejazur Rahmann, Managing Director of Mind Mapper Limited.

GP House was the venue partner for the finale; EMK Centre was the venue in the initial rounds. Radio Foorti was the radio partner; BanglaVision was the TV partner; SHOUT was youth engagement partner; Acme was beverage partner; Matador Stationery was goodies partner; All Time and Pran Potato Crackers were snacks partners.

Visit www.presentationwhizkids.com to know more about the competition.

AIMING FOR SALVATION THROUGH MUSIC



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The students of Sir John Wilson School took an initiative to reach out to and help the Rohingya refugees in our country. That initiative materialised on January 20, 2018 through a concert titled "Salvation". Headlined by prominent rock band Nemesis, the concert not only generated funds for the cause but also showcased various young, talented musicians.

The concert kicked off at 11 AM through the performance of Canvas, a young and upcoming local band, followed by Perspective. Indecision and Fort Knight then continued to mesmerise the audience through musical mas-

tery. Blues Brothers, another popular band was also among the performers, who shook up the audience with their cover of The White Stripes' "Seven Nation Army". Then DXVERSE, a K-Pop dance group showcased their charming moves. Pragata and Samin were up just before the main act; Nemesis finally took the stage and thrilled the audience with their various popular rock tracks.

The concert also had various sponsors and partners support them for their cause. Zonta International, a service organisation with a view to advance the status of women, had teamed up with Salvation to provide aid for the Rohingyas. Other than that,



Chatime, Glazed, Pizza Roma, and Time Out were ready with their stalls to provide refreshments.

The event was a meeting place for students from various schools all over Dhaka. Aside from being a part of and helping the Salvation team in their noble venture, the visitors enjoyed a wonderful time with their friends amidst the music. Sir John Wilson School welcomed the guests in its beautiful campus where they could roam around between performances.

The organisational work was done entirely by a team from the student body. They carried out tasks such as setting up the stage, inviting the performers, managing the crowd, and

coordinating the concert with astonishing efficiency, which ensured a successful event.

The ticket sale along with voluntary donations from the sponsors and the guardians of the school's students generated the charity fund. It will be sent to the Rohingya community through the esteemed development organisation BRAC.

The young students of Sir John Wilson deserve appraisal due to their empathy towards Rohingyas and for their strong effort to provide financial support. And the huge response it garnered is a testament of the compassion and humanity of our young generation.