

**MASTER READER**

# “As both hobby and habit – reading is the best.”

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The last stop of the school round of our campaign “Master Reader”, in association with Igloo Ice Cream, took place in Cardiff International School on December 1, 2019. After visiting schools in Dhaka, Narayan-ganj, Gazipur and even the port city of Chattogram, the campaign concluded its school round with the final round to be held in the near future.

Nine students participated in the day’s activities — the low turnout because the annual exams were underway; the students were from Classes 5 to 9. All the students were familiar with the activities. They even conversed in detail about the significance of reading as a habit. At the end of the day, they spoke about their interest in writing for both the newspaper format and online edition of The Daily Star, collecting email addresses and showing enthusiasm in being published.



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The students took part in a crossword puzzle game where the students used an issue of SHOUT to find clues for the puzzle, in a given amount of time. After

the word game, the students took part in a relay reading activity. An article from SHOUT was selected by the jury; one student had to start reading the article, quickly followed by another student at the instructions of the jury member. They were judged based on their fluency, projection, speed, and overall grammar and punctuation while reading.

Each student was scored and the numbers tallied to find the top two performers of the day. Husna Zannat Ruuhii and Aliza Ayanaa Chisty, both from Class 6, were declared the school round winners from Cardiff International School.

The school round winners will get the chance to represent their respective institutions at the final round of Master Reader, where they will be competing for the championship title against students from nine other English medium schools from all over the country.



## CEO & Head of Averroes Int’l School attends WES 2019

Since 2011, World Education Summits have witnessed the confluence of decision makers, influential experts and practitioners linked to education sector from across the world. The summit aims to explore groundbreaking innovations and encourage steps to ensure significant improvements in the global education sector.

In November 2019, the event took place at Bombay Exhibition Centre in Mumbai, India. At the event, more than 500 schools and over 350 higher educational institutes participated. More than fifty government dignitaries were present at the event.

The CEO and Head of School of Averroes International School Mohammad Anisur Rahaman was one of the international speakers at the event. He spoke on the topic of joint decision making with powerful school-parent relationship. He stated, “Parents and teachers are the critical factors in the development of students. We should educate our parents and create a good rapport because they are the major stakeholders in student development.” He also thanked our government for what it is doing for development of Bangladesh.

It was determined that there is a need to invest more money and time for educational development. To face the challenges of the 21st century we need to train our teachers in a more efficient way and the update the curricula.

## EWU inaugurates new admission office and lecture gallery

The new “MA Mumin Admission Office” of East West University (EWU) was inaugurated to provide admission seeking students and their guardians’ easier and better services. The University has also inaugurated the “Jalaluddin Ahmed Lecture Gallery” to arrange classes, meetings, and seminars in a more professional way. The members of the Board of Trustees, EWU, inaugurated the facilities on November 28, 2019 at the EWU Campus, Aftabanagar, Dhaka.

The inauguration programmes were attended by among others, Syed Manzur Elahi, Chairperson, Board of Trustees, EWU and former Adviser to the Caretaker Government of Bangladesh, Dr. Mohammed Farashuddin, Chief Adviser, EWU and former Governor of Bangladesh Bank, VC, Treasurer, Registrar and various administrative heads of the University. They expect the students, teachers, and guardians of the university would be happy to get convenient facilities through these modern offices.



## DIU holds Daffodil ElecTel Carnival 2019

Aiming to explore electrical and electronic skill among students, the Department of Electrical & Electronic Engineering and the Department of Telecommunication of Daffodil International University (DIU) jointly organised Daffodil ElecTel Carnival 2019 on November 30, 2019 at the permanent campus, Ashulia, Dhaka. Architect Yeafesh Osman, Minister of Science and Technology, inaugurated the carnival at Swadhinota Milonayoton as the chief guest. Hosne Ara Begum, Managing Director of Hi-Tech Park Authority and Engr. Rezwanul Kabir, Director of Energypac was present as the special guest. Presided over by Prof. Dr. Yousuf Mahbubul Islam, VC of DIU, the inaugural programme also addressed by Prof. Dr. M Samsul Alam, Dean, Faculty of Engineering.

The carnival included idea contests, project showcasing, job fair, seminar and workshop on industry and career, science Olympiad, panel discussion, prize giving and cultural programme. The programme was sponsored by HighTech Park Authority and Energypac Ltd. While addressing as the chief guest, Architect Yeafesh Osman said, “Knowledge is the best asset of human beings. Knowledge increases through practice and decreases through ignorance. We should continue the practice of knowledge.” He praised the carnival and said this carnival will play a role to increase knowledge practicing among students.