

Annual Concert (Y4-Y6)  
Thu, 19 November 2009

“Peace is in our Hands” – in the Hands of Pristine Private School



The unusual traffic in the Al Nahda area near the NMC Hospital Dubai, was an eyebrows up for an inquisitive mind, least knowing the happenings around in the neighbourhood on the evening of 19th November 2009. It was a different eve of colour, glamour, charm, fascination, thought, reflection, performance, etc.. at the auditorium of an establishment which has been serving the community for almost two decades. When the parents of the proud Pristinites entered the decorated lobby, very little did they know of the extravagant performance they were about to witness. “Peace is in our hands” was the keyword which was breathed in the air for more than two hours. Even in the afternoon of the very same day, the majority would have thought this matured subject of peace and war was only for an aged sector. But when the young broods aging 9 to 11 amazed the audience by blending in their costumes, with their expressions from deep in their hearts showing the gravity of the subject, for moments the auditorium was frosted. Yes, this is for all who missed the golden opportunity to be with the “Pristine Family” to experience the extraordinary performance at the Annual concert of Grades 4-6 of Pristine Private School, Al Nahda, Dubai.

The most breathtaking scene was the entry of the Army soldiers. Their braveness, their courage, their unity, their march, most of all their united voice shook the window panes at the far end of the architectural design. This was only one scene out of many scenes of a Play "A Faithful Heart." a story of Sara, the daughter of a Army commander who had to undergo ups and downs in life due to the war and her father's role in the peace keeping sector.

What will be complete, without the touch of the fragrances of the Asian continent? The glamorous costumes, the hit bhangra dances, the Qhawali song, were few of the dazzling memories Sara carried from her childhood in Punjab. At this point the audience defrosts and starts to realize the hidden abilities young girls and boys possess.

It is of immense importance to value the fact, that despite of the story, screenplay, action, which carry weight and add to the success of the play and the concert, the most important thing visible was the message "Unity in Diversity". When more than thirty-two nationalities of the multinational, multicultural, multi ethnic students of this establishment in the land of opportunities performed the role of the other it seemed as if, why do we need country borders, territories, flags and visas. If not for the genetic appearance, it would have been a miracle to figure out the origin of the artiste as all of them dissolved in their characters to show the world, how they can be molded to fit in to the future of Peace.

In a nutshell it was an evening of emotional food for thought. The younger generation with the guidance of their experienced advisors aroused the childhood memories of their parents and elders who were once just like them. Irrespective of which borders they crossed, immaterial of what colour they posed, what languages they conversed, they spread the word of peace among all. This evening changed the perception of many would be a proper version to phrase.

As they stood staring at the shiny, colourful, glamorous hundreds storming the stage for the Grand finale for the legend's song "We are the world", the scene of tearing mothers and the proud fathers proving their highest photographic skills was breathtaking. When the night invaded the evening it swallowed the differences too. At the time of leaving the Auditorium to create another traffic jam, the repercussion of the concert was proven immediately as one another gave way respecting each other as the first step to the change in them and a start to "Peace is in our hands".

