

**D.A.V PUBLIC SCHOOL, THANE**  
**READ MORE AND EXPLORE WIDE**

"Books are a uniquely portable magic."

— **Stephen King**

Reading improves memory, stimulates concentration, strengthens vocabulary, reduces stress, ignites new ideas, develops focus and concentration. The more a person reads, the thought process gets widened.

D.A.V. Public School, Thane, always strives to encourage reading habits among students, keeping in mind the holistic development of children. The school upgraded and inaugurated the library with books comprising of various genres giving a wider choice for students to choose from their choice of authors. This initiative was exclusively undertaken by Ms. Simmi Juneja, Principal of the institute to enable children to get hooked to literature and read more. This event was an extension of the "Literature Conclave - Mumbai Chapter" held in the month of June where a galaxy of authors offered inputs for the pursuit of literature and literary studies as a career option among young generation.

The day started with lighting of the lamp by the chief guest Shri. Mahesh Chopraji, Honorary secretary of DAVCMC, Shri. Jose Kurian, Regional Officer, DAV Schools, Maharashtra, Shri. Parikshit Dhume, President, Intellectual Cell, BJP. The event also witnessed the gracious presence of Mr. Chaitanya Reddy, Principal of DAV Panvel and Mrs. Hema Nair, Principal DAV International, Mulund. The gathering comprised of enthusiastic students and teachers.

While speaking about the contribution of DAV institutes in developing reading as a culture, he lauded the effort of alumnus Parikshit Dhume for his generous contribution in upgrading the school's library. He also urged the children to develop reading as a regular habit, so that this can become a habit. He also stated that children should not only know the content of the book, but sharpen their research and writing skills, evaluate author's style and approach, and continue to read more. Reading not only has tremendous power when it comes to fuelling the development of all aspects of language ability, but also leads to the development in entirety of a human life. The upgrading of library would surely make children to explore their favourite authors and develop reading as core skill.

