

## **Welcome to the Future – D-20**

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2020, PSBB KKN kicked off the year's debating activities with – 'D-20' A Demo Debate. This debate was particularly special as not only did it set model for debating standards but also as the first ever virtual debate conducted by PSBB Schools. As first of the year's General Assembly activities, D-20 was a proof that co- curricular activities will continue to inspire students online.

The debate consisted of two teams of experienced debaters from a pool of both current students and the most recent batch of alumni. The debaters faced off on the motion "Futurists are Ignoring History" treating the audience to a very High quality debate. Debaters from both sides used humour to engage the audience while logically decimating the other side with standout arguments from the opposition on how history is essential to make credible predictions about the future and the proposition countering that by arguing that actually predictions would be accurate if history were used. However, by overlooking history, Futurists are now making inaccurate predictions making the situation even worse.

The debate left the audience mesmerised. Mr.Y.G.Rajendra, Executive Trustee PSBB Schools and architect of the Debating Society, while sharing his insights, complimented the debaters on their usage of humour, high standard of debating and the school for having organised such a big event on an online platform. Overall D-20 was a grand success and had set the benchmark high for future debaters.

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