

Author's Visit: Std III to V

Mr. Deepak Dalal chucked up a career as a chemical engineer to write stories for children. He enjoys wildlife, nature and the outdoors. When not at his desk writing, he is either trekking the slopes or cycling the valleys.

The third, fourth and fifth graders were eager to hear from the author and learn more about his experiences writing about birds through The Feather Tales series. He shared his fascination with the diverse and intricate world of birds and talked about the many challenges and rewards of studying and writing about these amazing creatures.



He explained that his goal in writing the books was to make bird identification accessible to a wider audience, and to help people learn more about the birds that live in their own backyards like the rare and beautiful one seen at Singhad – the Paradise Flycatcher. He discussed some of the interesting and unique behaviours and adaptations of each species.

Next, the author discussed the central themes of the books titled : Talon the Falcon, A Flamingo in my Garden, The Paradise Flycatcher and The Golden Eagle. It included the biology and behaviour of birds, the different species of birds found in a particular region, and the challenges faced by birds and their habitats. The audience was particularly interested in the author's descriptions of bird migration patterns and the ways in which birds have adapted to changing environments.

Throughout the talk, the author displayed a passion and depth of knowledge about birds that was both engaging and educational. The students were able to ask questions and participate in a lively discussion about the books and the subject of birds. He obliged the students by personally signing the books that they bought after the talk.

In conclusion, the author's talk was an inspiring and informative event, and it was clear that our students were left with a greater appreciation and understanding of the world of birds. The author's passion and expertise on the subject was contagious, and it was evident that many in the audience will be following his work in the future. A gifted speaker and writer, his books are a testament to his commitment in raising awareness about the beauty and diversity of bird life.

