NPS class 12 students shine in quiz

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Bengaluru: What is the twitter handle of Ashley Kerekes, 25, who hogged the limelight with 14,000 fans?

Kerekes, a babysitter from Massachusetts, whose account was bombarded by cricket fans by mistake, was not a familiar figure for many students who competed for the national finals of TCS IT Wiz, the inter-school quiz competition.

However, without batting an eyelid, Akhil Siddharth P and Shyamgopal Karthik, class 12 students of National Public School, Indiranagar, said '@theashes' and scored a precious point. Students from six schools took part in the regional edition held in the city. Such contests are being organized in 15 locations across the country.

The first round, 'Computing everywhere', had technology-related questions covering India, US, UK, Australia, Japan and South Africa. The second round, 'Context rich system', had this question: "It was created as a preposition on the keyboard and is used till today." NPS students answered '@ symbol', and scored again.

The internet of things (IOT) was a rapid round where the teams were presented with

VICTORIOUS SMILES: Akhil and Shyamgopal

visual and text-based questions from the world of technology to identify and answer.

Akhil and Karthik won the Bengaluru edition and walked away with an IPad Air each along with a trophy and gold medals. They will take on 15 other regional school winners in Mumbai.

"The questions were tough. It was more about strategy than knowledge and we scored in all the rounds," Akhil said. The second runners-up were Ankit Siva and Vikram Sekar from National Public School, Koramangala.