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EDITORIAL

Each day life sends little angels knocking at your little windows of opportunity. Your fate will ultimately be defined by how you respond to these windows of opportunity. Your attitude and response towards circumstances needs to be positive to achieve desirable results. Your luck is in your hard work, harder you work luckier you get because hard work has no substitute and this stands true not only for students but also communities, societies and nations. A hard working nation is bound to occupy a place of pride in the world.

Hard work of our students has paid off and it has resulted in brilliant performance by our students of class X and XII, we congratulate all of them and it is hoped that our students will continue to strive for the best and excel in their fields.

MY TEACHER

The most important day I remember in all my life is the one on which my teacher, Anne Mansfield Sullivan, came to me....

At the beginning I was only a little mass of possibilities. It was my teacher who unfolded and developed them. When she came, everything about me breathed of love and joy and was full of meaning. She has never since let pass an opportunity to point out the beauty that is in everything, nor has she ceased trying in thought and action and example to make my life sweet and useful.

It was my teacher's genius, her quick sympathy, her loving tact which made the first years of my education so beautiful. It was because she seized the right moment to impart knowledge that made it so pleasant and acceptable to me. She realised that a child's mind is like a shallow brook which ripples and dances merrily over the stony course of its education and reflects here a flower, there a bush, yonder a fleecy cloud; and she attempted to guide my mind on its way, knowing that like a brook it should be fed by mountain streams and hidden springs, until it broadened out into

a deep river, capable of reflecting in its placid surface, billowy hills, the luminous shadows of trees and the blue heavens, as well as the sweet face of a little flower.

Any teacher can take a child to the classroom, but not every teacher can make him learn. He will not work joyously unless he feels that liberty is his, whether he is busy or at rest; he must feel the flush of victory and the heart-sinking of disappointment before he takes with a will the tasks distasteful to him and resolves to dance his way bravely through a dull routine of textbooks.

My teacher is so near to me that I scarcely think of myself apart from her. How much of my delight in all beautiful things is innate, and how much is due to her influence, I can never tell. I feel that her being is inseparable from my own, and that the footsteps of my life are in hers. All the best of me belongs to her - there is not a talent, or an aspiration or a joy in me that has not been awakened by her loving touch.

Helen Keller

The Story of My Life.

"KNOW YOUR SCHOOL"

Orientation at St. Marks's Sr. Sec. Public School- Janakpuri

Our School held an Orientation Programme "Know Your School" for the parents of class. I for the new session.

This session was to inform the parents regarding the Education system as in practice in the senior classes where formal education would be taken up more vigorously. The approach to assess the mental growth, class room teaching, activities both co & extra - curricular were discussed in detail. The need for better co-ordination and co-operation between the parents & the school authorities for the betterment of the students was stressed upon. The parents were welcome with a cultural programme organised by the students of junior section.

The audience was addressed by the Manager, Principal and Head-mistress. The interaction was well appreciated by the parents attending the session.



Students enthral parents on Orientation Programme.

Parents pay attention to the guidelines being given.

English Paragraph Writing competition was conducted for the students of classes III to V 3rd May, 2006 to encourage the habit of creative writing.

One best paragraph from each section was selected and appreciated by awarding them with certificates.

The winners of the competition are as follows :-

Class III

- A – Khyati Gaur
- B – Shubham Sharma
- C – Asushi Malhotra
- D – Vardha Kharbanda
- E – Paras Thussu
- F – Preet Singh Bharaj

Class IV

- A – Manisha Arora
- B – Maaz Ahmad Khan
- C – B. Nidhi
- D – Ishita Kalra
- E – Saarthak Anand
- F – Meenakshi Sharma

Class V

- A – Ashita Dewan
- B – Abhay Malik
- C – Akriti Anand
- D – Lakshay Gaba
- E – Pawan Kuma Gupta
- F – Abhiro Sinha Biswas & Ayush Thapar

SYMPOSIUM ON 'ADHD'

Symposium on Attention Deficit/Hyperactive Disorder (ADHD) was attended by Ms. Anupam Ganesh on 23rd July at Sir Ganga Ram Hospital. Symposium was conducted by a specialist in this field from various medical institutes to give the participants an opportunity to learn more on ADHD in order to help the children with this disorder, to get the multi modal treatment in time, as ADHD is one the most common neurobehavioral disorder in school children.

HAPPENINGS

"Umang Utsav" was held at Venkateshwara International School, Dwarka on 9th May'06. Ojas Sethi of IC participated in the Fancy Dress Competition as the character of Hanuman and bagged II prize.

Isha Gupta of II D won second prize in On The Spot Painting competition On 11th May'06.

Nikita Rana of II C won consolation prize in Doha Gyan competition on 10th May'06.

Spelling competition for Classes I to XII was held on 21st April. The aim of this competition was to improve the vocabulary and linguistic skills of the Students.



Winners of 'Spelling' Competition.

S.No.	Name	Class	14.	Preet Singh Bhauaj	III-F
1.	Sakshi Taneja	I-A	15.	Rupanshi Mancanda	III-F
2.	Tanmay Gulati	I-D	16.	Sanchit Bhatia	IV-C
3.	Manas Shori	II-B	17.	Akshita Aggarwal	V
4.	Harshita Joshi	II-C	18.	Shurbhi Arora	V
5.	Harsh Vardhan	II-D	19.	Guneet Singh	V
6.	Shivansh Chikra	II-E	20.	Vipin Junga	V
7.	Mayank Gupta	II-F	21.	VaibhavGogia	VI-E
8.	Anchal Gupta	III-B	22.	Saloi Suri	VII-D
9.	Haushit Aggarwal	III-B	23.	Joshita Makkar	VIII-C
10.	Jaspreet Singh	III-B	24.	PawandeepSingh	IX-B
11.	Sahaj Pal Singh	III-E	25.	Bhawna	X-E
12.	Haushit Jain	III-F	26.	Abhishek Sen	X-E
13.	Gagan Sahaan	III-F	27.	Arnab Das Gupta	XII-A

INTER HOUSE G.K Quiz (III-V)

It was conducted on 21st August after selecting the students in a preliminary round Tanya (III E), Sahil Gupta (IV E), Tushar Chawla (V F) of Patel House won the quiz with 65 points, beating their close rivals from Nehru & Gandhi House by a marginal 5 points. Audience also won a number of prizes as some questions reached them as well. Overall it had exciting rounds of variety of questions.

HAPPENINGS

- Inter class English Extempore competition was held on 26 April for classes VI, VII and VIII. The topics were interesting and thought provoking. The students who have won the prizes are:-

For VI std.

- Sneha – Ist VI-A
- Anisha Dua – IInd VI-D
- Siddharth – IIIrd VI-A

For VII std.

- Aarzo Sachdeva – Ist VII-C
- Aanchal Arora – IInd VII-C
- Sushira Sharma – IIIrd VII-D

For VIII std.

- Ayush Parwal – Ist VIII-A
- Sanchi Sethi – IInd VIII-C
- Rounaq Juneja – IIIrd VIII-F



Winners of Extempore Competition

- Abhishek Sen of class IX-E participated in Green Olympiad organised by Tata Energy Research Institute and won a merit Certificate.
- Our School's eco club 'Vasudha' has been working in collaboration with **Development Alternatives Community Led Environment Action Network i.e. Clean India**
 - Activities like tree-plantation in Asole-Bhatti Mines and in Pitampura, cleanliness drives, anti cracker Rally covered by CNBC channel have been undertaken.
 - The following members of the eco-club have been appreciated by Eco-club and Clean India for active participation in their programmes through out the year 2005-2006.

Varun Joggia	VIII-C	Niharika Dhingra	VIII-E
Deepak Sharma	VIII-C	Hardik Kalra	VIII-E
Shubhank Goyal	VIII-C	Deepankar Gupta	VIII-E
Anoop Mahan	VIII-C	Chaitanya Kher	VIII-E
Anant Jain	VIII-C	Nitin Gupta	VIII-E
Anuj Samvedi	VIII-C	Piyush Pahuja	VIII-E
Sarabjot Singh	VIII-C	Kunwarjeet Singh	VIII-E
Tarinee Mohan	VIII-C	Harshdeep Singh	VIII-E
Shivangi Sharma	VIII-C	Ujwal Gupta	IX-A
Vanya Diwan	VIII-D	Sipia Kukreja	IX-A
Aarti Kapoor	VIII-D	Surbhi	IX-A
Ankita Gahlot	VIII-D	Rachit Juneja	IX-A
Aditi Aggarwal	VIII-D	Rahul Narang	IX-A
Sakshi Bakshi	VIII-D	Abhishek Patro	IX-A
Akansa Chaturvedi	VIII-E	Harsheep Mahajan	IX-A

HAPPENINGS

- Pawan Kumar Gupta of V-E participated in "Contest Time" of Kid's Today newspaper and has won the contest. He has been awarded one Games CD and certificate for the same. Not Only this his photograph has also been printed in the Kids Today newspaper.
- Student of the Year Award contest was conducted in the year 2005-2006 by the "The Times of India" newspaper Rahul Narang of class X-E was declared the student of the year and has been awarded a Trophy, a cash prize of Rs. 1000 and a merit Certificate.
- On 29th Jan 2006 NSTSE - 2006 i.e. National Level Science talent search Examination was conducted in our School.
Students of class III to IX participated in this exam our school bagged the best participation school trophy and a certificate of recognition.
- Our School topper-Darpan Tikiya of class IV-B was awarded a CD and the teacher incharge. Sandhya Sahni was given a certificate.
- Avantika Painting and Slogan competition for year 2005-2006 was held on 10 February 2006. 170 student of our School participated at the state level 19 students amongst them won laurels for the School.
For being a motivating factor our respected Principal Mrs. M.M. Middha has been Awarded "Avantika Kala Vibhushan Samman" by the Organisers of Avantika.
Two teachers Mr. Deepak Saxena and Mrs. Pushpa Madhu Sudanan co-ordinated the entire effort on behalf of the School. They were also awarded "Avantika Kala Vibhushan Samman" for their Contribution.
Students won 3 Gold medals, 5 Silver medals and 6 Bronze medals and Certificates
- Essay writing competition was conducted for classes IX to XII on 20th April

The following students were awarded merit certificates.

1. Varun Arora	IX E	I	4. Aakriti	X C	II
2. Anu	IX D	II	5. Suvansha	XI B	I
3. Shweta	X D	I	6. Sahil Gupta	XI D	II
			7. Deeksha Singh	XII A	II
			8. Surbhi Sharma	XII B	I

ENGLISH POETRY RECITATION COMPETITION

English Poetry Recitation competition for Class I -V was held on 31st July '06 educated the students about the finer points of recitation to improve their performance. Manager Mr. L.K. Rai while concluding the event gave tips to the students about recitation and the way it should be enjoyed. The teachers-in-charge ware Mrs. Pushpa Madhusudanan and Mrs. Anupama Nigam.

RESULT OF INTER - CLASS ENGLISH POETRY (RECITATION COMPETITION)

Class I	I. - Kartik M. Panikar
	II. - Aman Sachdeva
	III. - Rhena Wadhwa
Consolation	: Vidhi Grover
	Palak Khurana
	Isha Naraini
Class II	I. - Bhavya Bansal
	II. - Isha Gupta
	III. - Harshita Joshi
Consolation	: Aastha Verma
	Tanya Keswani
	Apoorva Puri
	Advaita
Class III	I. - Samarth Arora
	II. - Navya Malik
	III. - Harshit Jain
Consolation	: Srishti Sharma
	Yashita Jukraja



Winners of Essay Writing Competition

Class IV	I. - Pragya Dhingra	Class V	I. - Rahul Madan
	II. - Akansh Aggarwal		II. - Sakshi Mallan
	III. - Akshit Verma		III. - Aakansha
	Aditya Baherji	Consolation	: Himani Gupta
			Inder Prakash

READ ALOUD COMPETITION

Reading is an active skill and by reading aloud we get to know the correct pronunciation of each word. It also improves our vocabulary and fluency of the spoken language. Keeping this in mind, Read-Aloud Competition for classes I to V was organised on 12th July, '06. The aim of the competition was to encourage the habit of reading in our students.

The winners of the event were :-

Class I

1st	Samdeesh Mahajan	1 D
2nd	Prabhjot Kaur	1 D
3rd	Satwik Dash	1 F

Class III

1st	Preet Singh	III F
2nd	Prabhjot Harshit Jain	III F
3rd	Paras Thussu	III E

Class V

1st	Prabjot Singh	VD
2nd	Aishwarya Mehra	VE
3rd	Rahul Grewal	VA

Class II

1st	Shivansh Chhikara	II E
2nd	Sakshi Ravtela	II E
3rd	Purvi Bharani	II C

Class IV

1st	Maaz Ahgmad	IV B
2nd	Akshay Chopra	IV E
3rd	Kajal Sehrawat	IV C

Names of the students with 100% attendance in the session 2005-06.

a. Class I

Cicelia M. Thomas	1 A
Mahima Sehrawat	1 B
Jaspreet	1 B
Vaibhav Sahi	1 C
Nikita Yadav	1 E
Tanmay Kumar	1 F

b. Class II

Mansi Batra	II D
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c. Class III

Niharika Verma	II E
Abhishek Solanki	III B
Anjali Negi	III B
Sonali Sahausar	III C
Ritik Gupta	III E
Mohit Jain	III F

d. Class IV

Guneet Singh	IV A
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e. Class V

Simran Grover	IV B
Raveena Grover	IV A
Tanya Dhingra	IV C
Ambhika Shukla	IV D
Rashi Thapiyal	IV E
Shivansh Dhall	IV E
Gokul V Shine	IV F
Shubhangi Bhargava	VA

Dashmeet Sethi	VB
Paras Malhotra	VC
Yenya Khan	VC
Ankita Gupta	VD
Harshita Burreja	VD
Rahul Govil	VD
Deepanshu Bajaj	VE
Pallavi Goel	VE



Students who were awarded certificates for 100% attendance.

16. Our School actively participated in various activities of S.O.S. village of India. In the month of Nov. 05. Our school donated a substantial amount for the development of S.O.S. villages of India. The students who donated the maximum, are being given a certificate and a trophy by S.O.S. villages of India. The highest donors are.

Riya Philo Johnson :- VII-C awarded certificate and a trophy.

Jaspreet Singh VI-C got a certificate and a trophy.

Apporva Joshi and Chetan Kataria VII-C got a certificate.

Teacher co-ordinator Mrs. Deepa got a trophy. In addition to this our principal was also awarded a trophy.

HAPPENINGS

HAND WRITING COMPETITION

Our School organised a "HAND WRITING COMPETITION" on 17th April 2006 for the primary classes to encourage the students to develop good letter & word formation.

Each student participated enthusiastically in the competition understanding full well that a good hand writing is an essential part of personality development.

One best student entry from each section of classes I-V was selected. The prize winners were awarded certificates of appreciation by the school Chairman, Mr. T.P. Aggarwal in the School Assembly.



Winners of Handwriting Competition.

I. A Shreya Jain	II. A Muskan Talwar	III. A Aman Grover	IV. A Ankush Arora	V. A Ashita Dewan
B Simranjeet Singh	B Jaspreet Kaur	B Anchal Gupta	B Anushka Singh	B Kunal Manchanda
C Annanya Raj	C Deesha Walia	C Smriti Yadav	C Simran Kaur	C Neha Aggarwal
D Pankhuri Kakkar	D Nitya Prabhakar	D Saranya	D Ankita Phulora	D Prema Grover
E Harleen Kaur	E Sourabh Sharma	E Harshita Sharma	E Anmol Bhogal	E Himani Gupta
F Samiyah Khan	F Yukta singh	F Pooja Sharma	F Hitika Bhandula	F Gargi Gupta

EARTH DAY

To commemorate the Earth Day a cultural programme along with a slogan cum signature campaign was organised in Our School.

The students who had won awards & prizes in various activities organised by DEAN & Clean India etc. were felicitated in the school Assembly by the Chairman Mr. T.P. Aggarwal.

The students & teachers wrote many thought provoking & sensitive messages on a large 'cut-out' depicting the Earth. They vowed to take care of the Earth. 'Green Is In' the message by the school Chairman Mr. T.P. Aggarwal, "Go Green" by Co-director Mr. Rahul Aggarwal. "It's our Land - make it beautiful", by Mr. L.K. Rai, the school manager and many more lovely messages spoke volumes on everyone's regard for mother Earth.



Co- Director Mr. Rahul Aggarwal writes his message on the message board.

Scholarship Holders- (Session 2005-06)

Class – I



Manan Shori 1st



Advaita Saxena 2nd



Jaspreet Kaur 3rd

Class – II



Harshit Jain 1st



Sharad Sha 2nd



Mansi Batra 3rd

Class – III



Medha Khurana 1st



Darpan Tikiya 2nd



Anagha Paranaipe 3rd

Class – IV



Prabhjot Singh 1st



Guneet Singh 2nd



Parimal Gupta 3rd

Class – V



Drishti Mittal 1st



Kushagra Bhandari 2nd



Akshay Kohli 3rd

RESULT OF CLASS : XII (2006)

PASS PERCENTAGE OF CLASS XII (2006)

Boys	96.72 %
Girls	98.80 %
Total	100 %
Comptt.	3 %

STREAM WISE TOPPERS :

SCIENCE STREAM Ist Position

Ist	Isha Aggarwal 92%	
Eng.	96	
Maths	100	
Phy	95	
Chem	89	
Biology	80	
Total	460	
IInd Position	Neha Jain	91.6%
IIIrd Position	Kanika Ahuja	88.8%



Isha Aggarwal XII-B

HUMANITIES STREAM Ist Position

Ist	Anuja Shahni	85.8%
Eng.	85	
Pol. Sci	87	
Economics	82	
B. Studies	93	
Inf. Prac.	82	
Total	429	
IInd Position	Megha Wadhan	81.2%
IIIrd Position	Priyanka Sahni	77 %



Anuja Sahni XII

COMMERCE STREAM Ist Position

Ist	Mansi Chawla	91%
Eng.	95	
Eco	86	
Maths	93	
B. Studies	88	
Acct.	95	
Total	457	
IInd Position	Shivani Mahajan	91%
IIIrd Position	Amrita Dewan	89.8%



Mansi Chawla XII

Subject	Distinctions	Highest	Subject	Distinctions	Highest
English	94	97	B.Studies	30	95
Maths	69	100	Economics	19	95
Physics	34	95	Pol. Sci	06	92
Biology	17	93	Inf. Prac	11	89
Chemistry	18	89	Phy. Edu	11	96
Accountancy	22	97	Comp. Sci.	04	86

TOPPERS OF CLASS X



Astha Anand I 94.4%



Shelly Goyal II 93.4%



Surbhi Kapoor III 93.2%



Pallavi Gupta III 93.2%



Anshul Gera III 93.2%

STUDENTS WHO GOT DISTINCTIONS IN ALL THE SUBJECTS CLASS -X

(English, Hindi, Maths, Science, S.St., Sans)

S.No.	Name	S.No.	Name	S.No.	Name
1.	Akansha Joshi	22.	Anshul Gera	43.	Roopali Arora
2.	Akriti Rattan	23.	Deeksha Bajaj	44.	Roopsi Hira
3.	Ankit Kumar	24.	Dhruv	45.	Shelly Goel
4.	Anshu Sohal	25.	Garima	46.	Shruti Dua
5.	Bhavya Suri	26.	Gautam	47.	Shubhankar Tyagi
6.	Deepesh Kumar	27.	Monika Chopra	48.	Surbhi Bhatia
7.	Kanika Kanwar	28.	Nitin	49.	Suvansha Nigam
8.	Navjot Kaur	29.	Surbhi Kapoor	50.	Saurabh Vaish
9.	Nikita Bansal	30.	Yadu Shori	51.	Nitisha
10.	Prateek Gambhir	31.	Abhishek Sharma	52.	Supriya Dahiya
11.	Rhythm Manan	32.	Ankita Arora	53.	Vaishali Ahuja
12.	Pooja Kaul	33.	Divya Rai	54.	Shikhar Gupta
13.	Ritika Sharma	34.	Pallavi Gupta	55.	P. Prasanna Kumar
14.	Abhishek Pandey	35.	Prateek Chandan	56.	Rahul Tara
15.	Anshul Garg	36.	Siddarth Mehta	57.	Rishabh Jain
16.	Gaganmeet	37.	Tapti Vaid	58.	Shalin Rajrishi
17.	Himanshu Mehta	38.	Abhinaya Nelly	59.	Siddharth Kathuria
18.	Sahil Saini	39.	Joshita Arora	60.	Paulomi Chatterjee
19.	Varun Mehta	40.	Mehek Sehgal	61.	Pallavi Mahajan
20.	Vipul D	41.	Monika Gupta	62.	Shreya
21.	Astha Anand	42.	Nishank Bhatia	63.	Swati

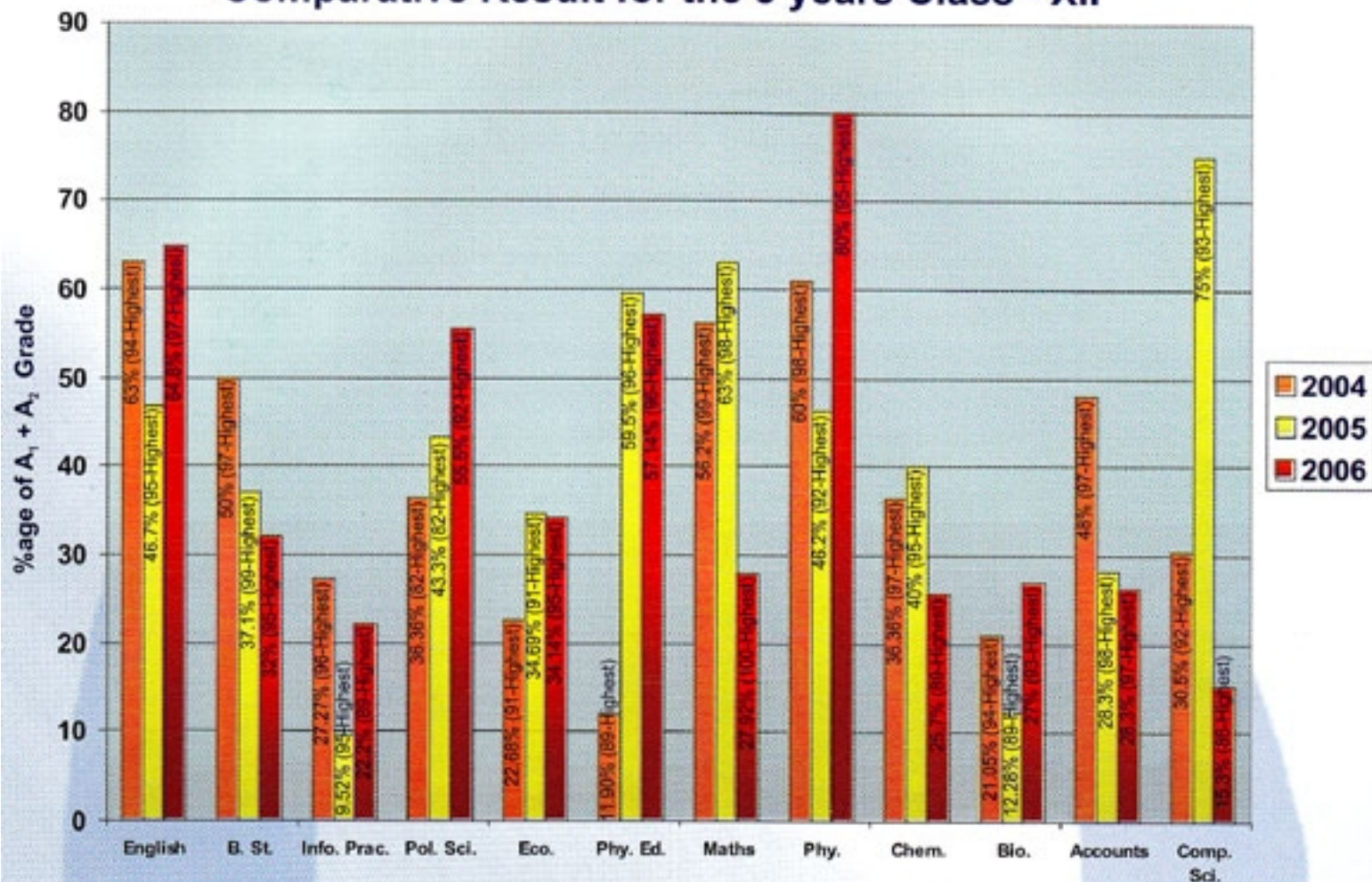
Following students were awarded certificates of merit for outstanding performance and for being among the top 0.1 percent of successful candidates

XII	
1.	Isha Aggarwal
2.	Nidhi Grover
3.	D. Lakshmi Vaishnavi
4.	Mansi Chawla
5.	Shruti Issar
6.	Kanika Ahuja
7.	J.S
X	
1.	Monika Gupta

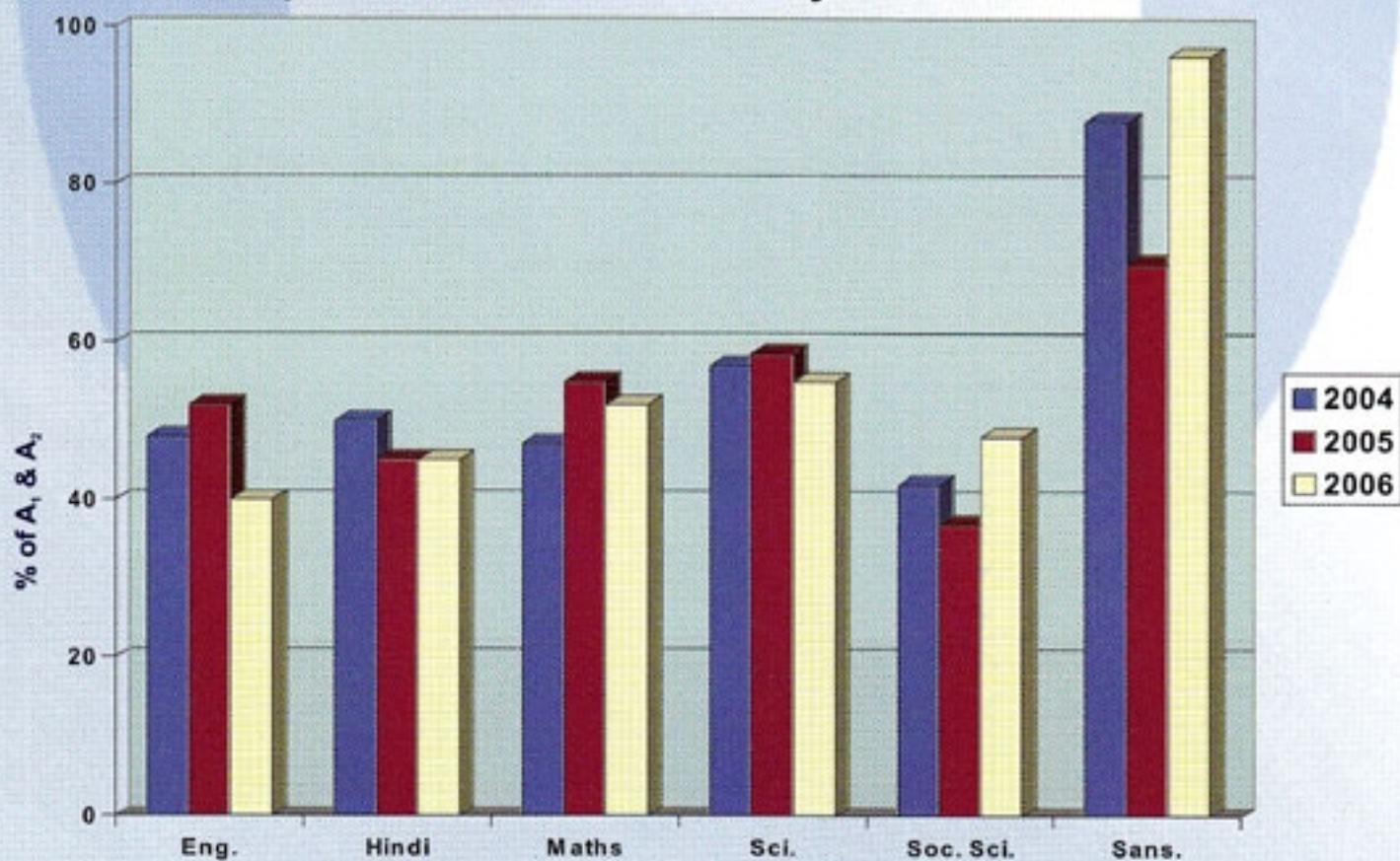
Scholarship Holders of class XI (Scoring above 90%) Ist Ten

I.	Astha Anand	94.4%
	Joshita Arora	
II.	Shelly Goyal	93.4%
III.	Anshul Gera	
	Surbhi Kapoor	93.2%
	Pallavi Gupta	
IV.	Shubhankar Tyagi	93%
V.	Diksha Bajaj	92.6%
	P. Prasanna Kumar	
VI.	Monika Gupta	92.6%
	Dhruv Gupta	

Comparative Result for the 3 years Class - XII



Comparative Result for the 3 years Class - X



HARD WORK IS KEY TO SUCCESS

(Interviewing the Topper of Class X)

- Rachit and Sakshi – Congratulations Astha for standing first in class X Board Examinations
- Astha – Thank you and may you also succeed in all your endeavours.
- Rachit – What is the key to your success?
- Astha – Hard work and regular studies, I think there is no substitute for hard work.
- Sakshi – Which subject did you find difficult to manage ?
- Astha – Maths, ofcourse, I was very weak in Maths, yet I did not give up and continued to practice, and finally secured 93%.
- Sakshi – Did you go for any tuitions or coaching ?
- Astha – No, it was self study all the way and I did not take tuitions for any subjects, I think our school teachers are dedicated and motivated enough to coach the students for their examinations.
- Rachit – If it is true for you, why is it that most of the students go for tuitions or coaching specially for Maths and Science.
- Astha – It is upto students to extract the best from the teacher. Students have to ask. All teachers are good and I think ready to help.
- Sakshi – Now, have you joined any coaching centre ?
- Astha – Yes, but it is for Medical Entrance Examinations.
- Sakshi – When did you begin intensive study ?
- Astha – January onwards, but actually one needs to study throughout the year, unless you are regular with your studies, it is difficult to take the burden in later months. I used to get up at four in the morning. And study upto 6'o clock before coming to school. In latter half of the day I put in four to five hours of Studies.
- Rachit – What advice would you give to the present class X.
- Astha – Getting up early in the morning and studying in early hours is really helpful, one must aim to put in minimum five hours of studies by the end of the day, I strongly disagree with students who prefer to study late in night, because by then one is very tired.
- Sakshi – Did you refer to any special reference books ?
- Astha – No, I depended upon personal notes, NCERT books and sample question papers. Attempting variety of questions is important and answering to the point is equally important.
- Rachit – With which subject did you begin your preparation?

EXTEMPORE COMPETITION

- Astha – The toughest one, Maths.
- Rachit – How did you tackle Social Studies.
- Astha – Oh it was easy, I prepared my own brief notes and my father guided me on the art of writing appropriate and to the point answers, because in S.St. one tends to write long answers giving irrelevant details. You should keep distribution of marks in mind and accordingly give importance to the chapters.
- Sakshi – What about Maps?
- Astha – Observe the maps carefully and minutely, if possible paste the maps on the walls of your room this way you will be able to observe them now and then.
- Sakshi – In science how did you manage all the three subjects.
- Astha – Well, I find Biology most interesting so I would pay attention to Bio first and then practise numericals in Physics and come to Chemistry later. I think this is the best way and it breaks monotony. Begin with interesting subject and move on to the subject which you do not find so interesting and keep alternating between the two.
- Rachit – What do you aspire to become?
- Astha – Cardiac or Neuro Surgeon.
- Sakshi – Thank you so much for sharing your thoughts with us.
- Astha – You are welcome but at the end I would like to say that Credit of my success goes to my Father and my teachers.



Astha (right) in conversation with Rachit & Sakshi

HINDI RECITATION COMPETITION




Hindi Recitation Competition was organized for classes I-V on 1st August '06. Students recited the poems with confidence and excellent expression. Poems were well appreciated by the Manager and Headmistress.

RESULT

Class - I			Class - IV				
I Prize	-	Samdeesh Mahajan	(I D)	Consolation	-	Vibhuti Sharma	(III A)
II Prize	-	Simran Gosain	(I C)	Consolation	-	Arpit Sharma	(III C)
III Prize	-	Pracghi Kalra	(I D)	Class - IV			
Consolation	-	Medha Sharma	(I B)	I Prize	-	Malika Luthra	(IV B)
Consolation	-	Shruti Gupta	(I C)	II Prize	-	Himani Malhotra	(IV D)
Class - II				III Prize	-	Simran Kaur	(IV C)
I Prize	-	Jaspreet Kaur	(II B)	Consolation	-	Divya Kamra	(IV A)
II Prize	-	Menan Shori	(II B)	Class - V			
III Prize	-	Nitya Prabhakar	(II D)	I Prize	-	Simran Kaur	(V F)
Consolation	-	Nikita Rana	(II C)	II Prize	-	Ambika Shukla	(V D)
Class - III				III Prize	-	Pranshu Sharma	(V C)
I Prize	-	Aayushi Malhotra	(III C)	Consolation	-	Aakriti Anand	(V C)
II Prize	-	Nidhi Patel	(III F)	Consolation	-	Shivani Nagpal	(V B)

HINDI POETRY RECITATION COIMPETITION

Inter section Hindi Poetry Recitation Competition was held on 28th July 2006 in the school premises. Students from Class VI-X participated in the competition. The performance of the participants was appreciated by the Principal Headmistress. **Winners are as follow:**

Class - VI			I - Himani	(VI E)	Class - X			I - Chitra Suri	(X A)
	II - Nitish	(VI B)				II - Kanupriya	(X A)		
	III - Saloni	(VI C)				III - Rupakshi	(X A)		
Class - VII			I - Mridul Aggarwal	(VII D)					
	II - Ritika Chandan	(VII A)							
	III - Mansha Viz	(VII D)							
Class - VIII			I - Varun Gorawara	(VIII E)					
	II - Parth Sehgal	(VIII C)							
	III - Jesveen Sehgal	(VIII E)							
Class - IX			I - Vishesh	(IX B)					
	II - Deevanshu	(IX D)							
	III - Surbhi	(IX B)							

SANSKRIT RECITATION COMPETITION

Sanskrit Recitation Competition for classes VI-X was organised on 27th July 06. More than 35 students participated in the event. Beautiful and inspiring verses were recited by students along with stuti. Winners of the event were as follows :

Class - VI			I - Sonali Jain	(VI D)
	II - Drishti Mittal	(VI F)		
	III - Sanya Sharma	(VI C)		
Class - VII			I - Aarzo Sachdeva	(VII D)
	II - Roopam Negi	(VII A)		
	III - Shivangi Shandilya	(VII D)		
	III - Pranav Jain	(VII E)		
Class - VIII			I - Saloni Gupta	(VIII F)
	II - Hitesh	(VIII D)		
	III - Ronak Juneja	(VIII F)		

Winners of Hindi Recitation competition

Class - IX			I - Bhawni Patiyal
	II - Prateek		
	III - Astha Bhatnagar		
Class - X			I - Prachi Jain
	II - Nisha Sharma		
	III - Chetan Gupta		

Winners of Sanskrit Recitation competition

INVESTITURE CEREMONY

Our School organised its annual investiture ceremony in the month of July' 06 to induct the Junior, Middle & Senior prefectorial board members.

The school Chairman Mr. T.P. Aggarwal, unfurled the school flag. This was followed by the school song, "Hail St. Mark's"

The members of the student council, took oath of being loyal and sincere towards their duties and the institution. Later they were formally inducted in pipping ceremony. Honorable Chairman, Mr. T.P. Aggarwal congratulated the office bearers. Bhuvan of XII F and Gurleen Kaur of XII E have been selected as Senior Head Boy & Head Girl for the year 2006-2007.

Class - XII

1. Gurleen Kanwar	XII E	Head Girl
2. Bhuvan	XII F	Head Boy
3. Bhavana Khera	XII A	Discipline Incharge
4. Shreya Sharma	XII A	Discipline Incharge
5. Surbhi	XII D	School Prefect
6. Sakshi Sabharwal	XII D	Discipline President
7. Nishtha Arora	XII D	Discipline Incharge
8. Nidhi Khanna	XII E	Sports Captain
9. Nidhi Goel	XII F	Discipline Incharge
10. Nitish Bajaj	XII C	School Prefect
11. Anukool Mehta	XII C	Sports Captain
12. Subhash Kapoor	XII F	School Captain
13. Vaibhav Malin	XII D	Discipline President
14. Amandeep	XII D	School Captain

7. Garima Aggarwal	XI C	Vice Sport Captain
8. Himanshu Bhandari	XI A	Vice Sports Captain
9. Pallavi Mahajan	XI C	Vice President Cultural activities
10. Shahil Gupta	XI D	Vice President Cultural activities
11. Nimita Khosla	XI D	Secretary cultural activities
12. Shivani	XI A	Secretary cultural activities
13. Shelly Goyal	XI C	Vice Discipline President
14. Abhineet	XI A	Vice Discipline President

Class IX

1. Mahima Chaudhary	IX B
2. Pawandeep Singh	IX B
3. Akansha Aggarwal	IX D
4. Aditi Aggarwal	IX C
5. Subhank Goel	IX E
6. Akanksha Chaturvedi	IX F

Class XI

1. Nitesh Sharma	XI B	Vice Head Boy
2. Ritika Sharma	XI C	Vice Head Girl
3. Anshul Gera	XI C	Vice School Captain
4. Yadu Shori	XI D	Vice School Captain
5. Prateek Nanda	XI C	Vice School Prefect
6. Jasmine	XI C	Vice School Prefect



Head Girl Gurleen & Head Boy Bhuvan with their Senior Mentors

CREATIVE ART THERAPY

A creative Art Therapy Presentation was organized on 22nd July' 06 on the day of Parent Teacher Meeting. It was a combined effort of Arts Department and the School Counselor. The basic objectives were to educate the parents and help them in understanding their children, inculcating positive attitude, improving level of general well being, enhancing their ability to cope up with stress and dealing with parents, teachers, peer group, through art as a medium.

The presentation was a great success. Parents and students turned out in large numbers to view, express and share their valuable perception.

Our Chairman Mr. T.P. Aggarwal, Manager, Principal and Headmistress graced the occasion & appreciated the new and creative approach towards education.



Parents admire creative work of students.



Engrossed in Art- Chairman Mr. T.P Aggarwal thoughtfully looking at a piece of art

"WORLD NATURE CONSERVATION DAY"

Eco club of our school celebrated "**World Nature Conservation Day**" On 28th July. "Card Making" activity was organized to mark this day. children were at their creative best and made colourful and attractive cards using eco-friendly material. Students of primary classes presented a colourful programme on the occasion. "Earth Day" Carol was presented by the students of classes IV & V. Simran of class I recited a poem telling the uses of trees. Message of the day "save earth from cruel hands of man" was depicted by a colourful skit "Live and Let Live" presented by the students of classes II and III



It is our world, we must save it : children presenting an item on World Nature Conservation Day

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATIONS

Independence Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm, by both students and teachers.

The school Chairman Mr. T.P. Aggarwal and co-director Mr. Rahul Aggarwal graced the occasion.

Teachers were felicitated for their performances in their fields.

Since Janmashthami was round the corner, a scintillating dance performance was given by the students of I, II and III std. Children were glued to the programme and the colourful dresses of the participants.

It definitely is the duty of youth to fight against all odds and maintain peace, such was the message conveyed through the speeches of the co-director Mr. Rahul Aggarwal, Manager Mr. Rai and Principal Mrs. Midha.



Flag hoisting on Independence Day



Little lord Krishna dancing with his Radha Janamashtmi being celebrated

Mr. Devander Rastogi, Our maths PGT appeared in Teacher Aptitude Test conducted by society for "Perfection in Education" and secured 3rd rank. More than 105 teachers participated from various schools of Delhi. Prize distribution ceremony was held on 26 July 2006 at Hansraj Model School, Punjabi Bagh where Mr. Devender was felicitated by Mr. Arvinder Singh Lovely Education Minister.



Mr. Devender receiving his award, from Hon'ble Arvinder Singh Lovely, Edu. Minister, Delhi.

SUMMER CARNIVAL

On 2nd & 3rd August the HDFC Bank organised a summer carnival in the school premises for classes I-VI. Students of classes I-III were shown and taught magic tricks and students of IV-VI were taught to make paper bags and piggy bank. The idea was to teach the students to save money & manage it well.



HDFC programme in progress: Magic-show & paper craft for classes III-V



Children taking part in Cartoon Network Activity

KELLOGGS conducted a cartoon show & quiz on the importance of healthy breakfast for III-IV classes on 17th August. The winners received colourful T-shirts sponsored by Kellogg's for the best answers.

BRAIN STORM SESSION AT OUR SCHOOL

Under the aegis of Hriday Shan an NGO, Inter School Round Table discussion on "Should soft drinks be banned in and around school campus" was seriously taken up. Dr. Stig Pramming and Dr. Paul Mayer from Oxford Health Alliance were the observers. 16 top Delhi School members of Hriday Shan participated in this round table discussion in which there was a free flow of opinion and thought provoking points were raised by the participating students. Prateek Nanda and Akanksha of our school chaired the session. It was the opinion of the house that colas should be banned at the school level, Professor K.S. Reddy (honorary Executive director of Hriday Shan), the manager, the principal and the headmistress all participated in this healthy discussion.



Is cola safe to drink? Many minds come together to ponder over it.

HAPPENINGS

HRIDAY-SHAN ACTIVITIES

HRIDAY-SHAN a Health Project has been conducting a wide range of Health & Environment based activities in the school.

- ❖ Special diaries on environment, developed by the HRIDAY-SHAN were distributed to class VIII students who had earlier participated in the ENVIRONMENT SURVEY conducted by the project team.
- ❖ In July **MYTRI** (Mobilizing Youth Tobacco Related Initiative in India) a pilot testing group of HRIDAY-SHAN conducted a week long survey for staying food frequency and life style related habit in students. The questionnaire was given to X & VIII class students. Later a brief discussion on the questionnaire was carried out by the team.

WORKSHOPS

HT-PACE WORKSHOP were organised by co-ordinator -Ms. Anupam Ganesh for class V.RAKHI MAKING workshop was taken up by Ms. Ritu on 4th August. The children made different types of rakhis using a variety of materials such as glass pieces, cardboard, shells, ribbons & threads.

For class VII-PERSONALITY DEVELOPMENT workshop was taken by Mr. Bhavesh on 8th August.

Xth class students participated in a workshop on PERSONALITY ENHANCEMENT. conducted by Ms. Madhu Sharma on 7th August.



Matters of Heart! - a "Hriday Shan" workshop in process.

ROBOT WORKSHOP

The three days ROBOT WORKSHOP was organised by Pitambar Infovision at Mayapuri from 25 July 2006 to 02 August 2006. Our five students along with the teacher incharge Mr. A.P Dubey participated in this workshop. Various activities were performed for three days. These activities were:

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| a. Navigation Programme. | b. To make triangle and circle with Boe-Bot. |
| c. LED Programme | d. To make LED Blink and Whisker Programme. |

The students learned these programme efficiently. They had shown active participation in this workshop. These students have been selected for further training at the same venue that will be starting from September 2006. The following students participated:

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| a. Puneet Arora | XD | b. Ankit Sawhney | XD | | |
| c. Ayush Gupta | XD | d. Shrey Garg | XD | e. Chaitanya Kher | IX C |

TRIP TO CHANDIGARH

Our school organised a two day trip to Chandigarh for students of classes III and IV with their teachers on 23rd and 24th August 2006.

They Visited the Rock Garden sculpted beautifully and intricately with waste ceramics, glass pottery pieces. Later they visited the Sukhna Lake which is a large fresh water lake surrounded by the beautiful Shivaliks. The next day they visited the Chatbir zoo. A variety of animals with the Lion Safari was a magnificent treat for these young students. The group stayed in Ram Garh Heritage Hotel. the hotel is a beautiful place converted into a motel. The place has royal ambience and the trip was enjoyed every minute by everyone.



Children enjoying at Sukhna Lake

A TRIP TO PADAMPURI - IN THE LAP OF NATURE

Exploring nature is the most valuable gift of God and there is something uniquely enchanting about camping, is something I realised on a May Trip to Padampuri near Nainital. Alongwith my colleagues Manju, Girish, Rocky and SCAT instructors Diksha and Gaurav and of course, how can I forget my naughty sweet angels i.e. 41 students, we all started our journey on 7th May 2006 at 10.30 a.m. from St. Mark's School, Janakpuri. After a long tiring but joyful journey by bus, we reached the hills in the Kumaon region of Uttranchal.

As our bus descended a slope in the road, I found myself beside cool shimmering lake of Bhimtal. As we crossed it, towering hills full of deodar and pine trees also came into view which was like a child eager to welcome a guest but too shy to come out. This was the perfect break I needed from my busy life in Delhi and I thanked my stars and all those people who selected me for this wonderful outing. I was in the lap of nature and so close to fresh air.

Soon we were near colourful topped tents scattered in the valley which was very close to the river Kalsi where the slanting rays of sunlight filtered through the trees and I felt like I have entered on emerald bowl. At the camp site, we were welcomed by the SCAT Chief Mr. Bashir and his team. After brief introduction and instructions, we moved to our allotted tents. I could see the beautiful lay out of the tents in the valley –lanterns erected beside every tent and path lined by round stones.

After a quick, relieving shower and a delicious breakfast, we started the journey of adventure, thrill and excitement. We set out for a trek that took us to the top of hills across the river. Students were divided into groups, group leaders were made and various adventurous activities like rappelling, river crossing, rock climbing, Burma Bridge, Balance walk, spider web etc. were carried out for the next two days. These activities were aimed at developing confidence and training the young minds to compete under stress and in difficult situations. Visit to a nearby village and interacting with villagers inculcated the feeling of belonging to the soil. Whether it was early morning trekking or night march or preparing maggi in the middle of the jungle, we all enjoyed every moment of the trip lost in the gorgeous environment, exploring nature and deriving energy from nature. Evenings were fun filled and confidence building activities aroused the feeling of high sense of competition among the students. The full moon night illuminated every thing in the jungle as if they all were celebrating our arrival. The bonfire, music and dance again lifted everyone's spirit. Prizes to the winners of various games and the neatest tents were given and not to be forgotten – the delicious food which did not make us feel that we were somewhere in the jungle.

As all good things come to an end, last day of the trip came. The students bid a final adieu to the natural surroundings and the quietness of Padampuri. After a short trip to Mukteshwar, a shopping trip to Nainital and with singing and dancing all the way in the bus, we finally arrived at Delhi.

For all, I am sure, it was an experience of nature at its best. The greatest thing about the trip was not only the river crossing or rockclimbing or rappelling out : it was Lying inside a voluminous tent, listening to the chirping of birds, morning dew drops or sitting beside bonfire and watching the ballet of stars in the sky, It was a fascinating, rewarding and unforgettable trip which we wished would never come to an end. we all said in chorus that it was just beautiful.

Mrs. Jyoti Sachdeva



Ashween Arora of VII E Won a Gold Medal in the category of (9-10 yrs.) in All India Invitational Karate championship held in Talkatora Indoor Stadium on 22nd April 2006.



Samarth Arora of Class III F Won a Gold Medal in All India Invitational Karate Championship held in Talkatora Indoor Stadium on 22nd April 2006. Samarth Gold Medal in the (6-7 yrs.) category

Ankur Panwar of class X-D Participated in 51st National School Cricket Championship 2005-06 held at Agra from 21st Dec, 2005 to 2 Jan 2006. He was a part of Delhi under 16 Cricket Team and had given a wonderful performance. He has been awarded a certificate for the same.