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The new academic session has started. It is hoped the students will study with greater vigour and concentration than the previous year. A better beginning can always be made. We can learn from the past mistakes and make them stepping stones for further improvement and not brood too much on them. Life is not a location, it is a journey. Things keep changing and we have to cope with these changes. That is possible with hard work, sincerity and keenness to learn.

Past is history and future is mystery, therefore, we have to be alive to what is happening at present. Therefore, constantly press forward for over all intellectual, moral, academic and character development. When the going gets tough, the tough get going. With this, sky is the limit. The core concept is hard work, concentration and positive attitude. ALL THE BEST FOR THIS ACADEMIC SESSION.

A THOUGHT

THE BEGINNING

WHERE have I come from, where did you pick me up? the baby asked its mother.

She answered, half crying, half laughing, and clasping the baby to her breast,-

"You were hidden in my heart as its desire, my darling.

Your were in the dolls of my childhood's games; and when with clay I made the image of my god every morning, I made and unmade you then.

You were enshrined with our household deity, in his worship I worshipped you.

In all my hopes and my loves, in my life, in life of my mother you have lived.

In the lap of the deathless Spirit who rules our home you have been nursed for ages.

When in girlhood my heart was opening its petals, you hovered as a fragrance about it.

Your tender softness bloomed in my youthful limbs, like a glow in the sky before the sunrise.

Heaven's first darling, twin-born with the morning light, you have floated down the stream of the world's life, and at last you have stranded on my heart.

As I gaze on your face, mystery overwhelms me; you who belong to all have become mine.

For fear of losing you I hold you tight to my breast. What magic has snared the world's treasure in these slender arms of mine?"

SCHOOL CELEBRATES THE 59th REPUBLIC DAY



Director Mrs. Anjali Aggarwal hoisting the flag.

Keeping up the enthusiasm & the pace of celebrations, braving the cold, dreaming big and aspiring higher, Republic Day at our school was marked by the unfurling of the Indian Tricolour by the Director Mrs. Anjali Aggarwal. Colourful dances on fusion music, speeches & songs were presented by the students, saluting, one of the world's greatest Republics. Their awe inspiring performances evoked feelings of patriotism amongst everyone present.



Students presenting dance.



Students presenting a colourful dance on the occasion.

HAPPENINGS

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

Christmas was celebrated with great enthusiasm and excitement as a testimony to the birth of Lord Jesus and the onset of Christian's charter where paradise restores the opening of Heaven & closure of the gates of Hell. It was party time for students of classes I - VI on 19th & 20 of Dec. 2007 in the school premises. Children had smiles on their faces and joy in their hearts irrespective of their religions and languages. They enjoyed singing Christmas carols, playing games and the Magic show which was organized at school. Santa Claus distributed gifts dressed in his red attire to mark the blessings with the advent of Christ the Saviour and Son of God. The festivity ended with Prize Distribution and sumptuous snack party.



Learning new tricks ! Participating in magic show.



Santa Claus brings smile on faces.



Children with their christmas gifts.

A CHRISTMAS GIFT FOR ONE AND ALL

On the occasion of Christmas Celebrations the school was honoured to have Mr. James Lord and his team from the Bible Society of USA. He narrated a story from the Bible and explained the true meaning of "Christmas," by sending Lord Jesus, God almighty who loves us, has given us everlasting gift of hope, comfort and glory. For there is one God & one Mediator between God and humans who gave Himself to save us. Copies of the Bible, picture story books & pens were distributed amongst the students & staff members of the school to enhance the righteousness of the day.

TALENT SHOW

"Ability is what you are capable of doing. Motivation determines what you do and attitude determines how well you do it," precisely the reason we organized a Talent Show on 24th Dec. 2007. Students from classes VI to class XII participated and gave vent to their innate potential and emotions with stars in their eyes and willingness to organize their energies in their stance. The audience was enthralled by the young aspirants who left everyone spell bound. Such performances preserve Indian traditions and identity.

POGO TALENT SHOW

The students of our school got the opportunity to show their talents in dance, instrumental and vocal music during the POGO Talent Hunt held in our school.

The selected participants from III to VIII standard received certificates from POGO. The audience voted for one winner from each group. The manager Mr. L. K. Rai and Vice Principal Mrs. Alka Kher gave the attractive prizes to the lucky winners.



Winners of Pogo Talent Hunt.

FAREWELL TO CLASS XII

Students of class XI bid adieu to their seniors in a grand style. A rich and colourful extravaganza was organized in honour of the outgoing students on 16th Feb. 2008. The theme of the farewell was Punjabi hence it was titled "CHANGA JI PHIR MILANGE---". Head Boy Nitesh Sharma and Head Girl Ritika Sharma shared their memories on this occasion. After a sumptuous lunch the day came to an end with an engrossing but tough competition for Mr. and Ms. SMS titles. The coveted titles were bagged by the following students-

Mr. SMS	: Siddharth Kathuria
Ms. SMS	: Yadu Shori
1st Runner up	: Prateek Nanda
1st Runner up	: Aakriti
2nd Runner up	: Prateek
2nd Runner up	: Ritika Sharma

The programme was graced by the Chairman Mr. T. P. Aggarwal, Director Mrs. Anjali Aggarwal, Co-Director Mr. Rahul Aggarwal and other distinguished guests as well as staff members.

Director Mrs. Anjali Aggarwal gave her encouraging message on the occasion and wished the children for Board Examination.



We are cut above the others - Winners of Mr. & Miss SMS titles.



An interesting play with a message was put up by the students.



Director Mrs. Anjali Aggarwal giving her message on the occasion.



A vibrant and colourful Bhangra delighted the audience.

ORIENTATION PROGRAMME

An orientation programme for the parents of class I students was held on 18th March, 2008. Vice Principal **Mrs. Alka Kher** welcomed the parents and briefed them about the rules and regulations of the school after a brief cultural programme which was presented by junior students. Manager **Mr. L. K. Rai** talked about the needs of the small children & guided the parents to encourage them gently. The Educational Supervisor **Mrs. Anupam Ganesh** introduced the teachers of class I and thanked the parents for their co-operation. Later the parents interacted with the class teachers & the school staff.



Students presenting a welcome song.



Invoking blessings of God - Children presenting a devotional song.



Attentive parents listening to the guidelines.



Vice Principal Mrs. Kher addressing the parents.

HAPPENINGS

BOOK WEEK

Reading books strengthens the mind. The Annual Book Week held in our school from 10th Dec., 2007 to 15th Dec., 2007 was indeed instrumental in strengthening the bond between children and books. A variety of literary activities were organized on the occasion and the students actively participated in them. The activities included :-

Book Worm for class - I, Create a Pin for class - II, Hats off for class -III, Mask-making for class - IV, Book Review for class - V, Complete the story for class - VI, Write a poem for class - VII, Caricature for class - VIII, Link up a story for class - IX, Newspaper editing & reading for class - XI

Work done by the students was displayed on the P.T.M.. It was a wonderful variety of aspirations and imaginations displayed on canvas. A cloth graffiti was put up for writing thoughts slogans or quotations on books. The three day fair provided a wonderful opportunity to the children to browse as well as buy from an apt choice of fables to modern theories of History & Science which help not only to gather information but also to apply them whenever necessary.



In the company of books - children browsing through books.



Students leaving their signature on graffiti.

HAPPENINGS

SAY NO TO PLASTIC

The Eco-Club 'Vasudha' of our school organized the free distribution of re-usable bags. All the members of Class IV employees were given these bags by the Chairman advising them not to use plastic bags and utilize the bags handed over to them.

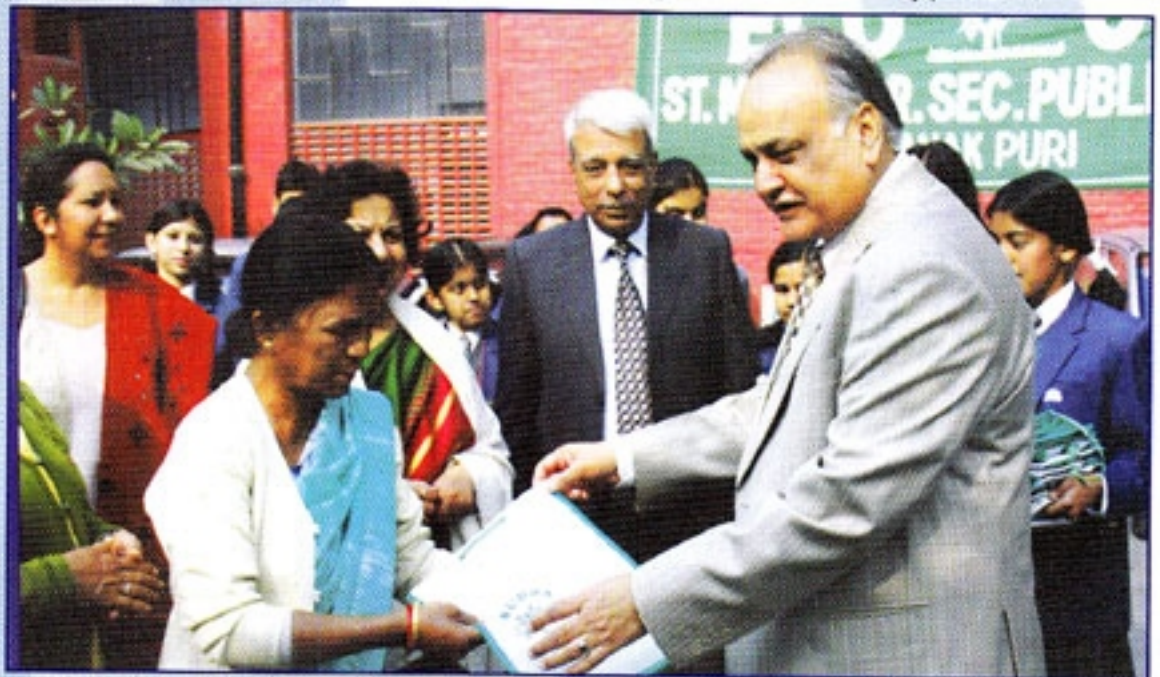
The members of the club then moved out of school premises with the Manager Mr. L. K. Rai & the co-ordinating teachers distributing the bags amongst the common man on foot, on cycle, found carrying poly bags.

The students then moved on to B-1, Community Centre market of Janak Puri while distributing the bags to the general public requested them to stop using the plastic bags.

At every juncture the members of the Eco-Club took pains to explain the harm being done by the regular and growing use of plastics.



Making citizens aware of goodness of eco-friendly products.



Showing the Eco-friendly way : chairman Mr. T.P. Aggarwal distributing jute bags.



Manager Mr. L.K. Rai distributing jute bags to class IV employees of the school.

HAPPENINGS

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION CEREMONY OF ON THE SPOT PAINTING COMPETITION - 2007-08

On 17th Jan., 08, our school held the Prize Distribution Ceremony for the 8th Annual Inter-School on the Spot Painting Competition 2007-2008 which was organized on 15th Nov. 2007. Out of 15,00 participants, 100 prize winners were invited on the occasion to claim their rightful coveted prizes.

The school was honoured to have Mrs. Neelam Gulati, Education Officer, Zone-18, Ditt. West B, as the Chief Guest. The school Chairman Mr. T.P. Aggarwal, Director Mrs. Anjali Aggarwal, Co-Director Mr. Rahul Aggarwal and Manager Mr. Rai were present on the occasion.

The Chief Guest gave away the prizes to all the winners. The attractive Juniors Rolling Troppy was bagged by Mark's Kindergarten, Meera Bagh whereas the impressive Senior Rolling Trophy was carried away by Maharaja Agarsain, Ashok Vihar.

Everyone present on the occasion appreciated the slide show that showed glimpses of the painting competition and paintings of the winners.

The Chief Guest congratulated the winners and appreciated the host school for their superb efforts. Convenor of the programme Mrs. Kher thanked the distinguished guests. The function was a grand success.



Students presenting a welcome song.



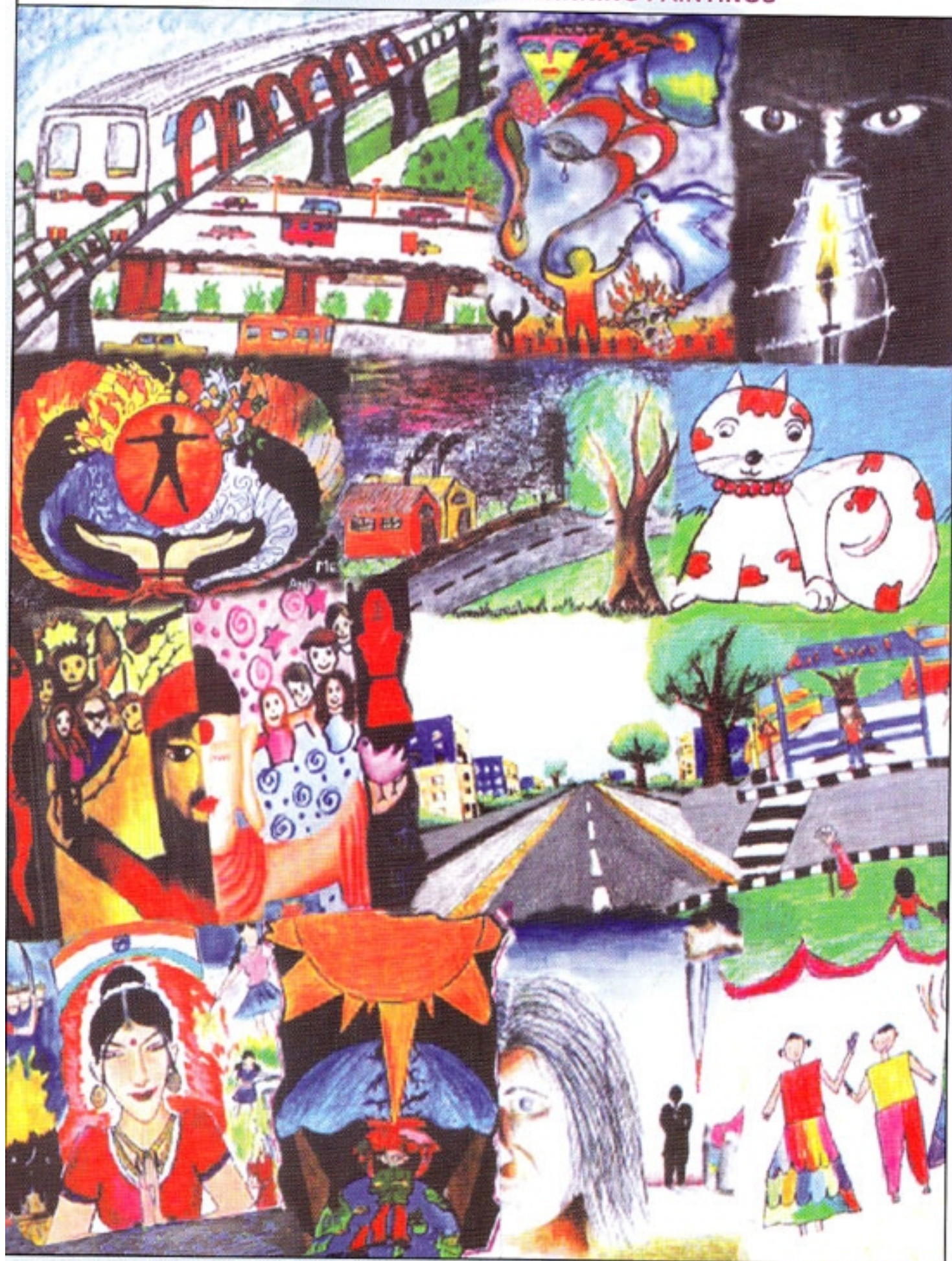
Harish Jain IV-F (Cons) with his trophy.



Maharaja Agrasain Team bagged the Rolling Trophy.

HAPPENINGS

GLIMPSES OF A FEW PRIZE WINNING PAINTINGS



PROCOM SCHOOL WINNERS

Following are the Prize Winners who received medals and 1st prize for their wonderful performance.

COLOUR'S QUIZ

NAME	CLASS
DIYA	1st A
PALAK ARORA	1st E
RAJDEEP SARKAR	2nd A
CICELIA MOHAN THOMAS	3rd A
APOORVA PURI	3rd B
POOJA SHARMA	4th F
SIMRAN KAUR	5th C
ANKITA PHULARA	5th D
ASHITA DEWAN	6th A
DEEPANSHU BAJAJ	7th F

G. K. QUIZ

NAME	CLASS
ANISHA	1st B
AMAN SACHDEVA	2nd D
MANAN SHORI	3rd B
YATISH UPPAL	4th D
SHIVANI NAGPAL	6th B
ANURAG MISRA	8th A
S. SRIVATHSAN	9th F
ANKUSH BABBAR	10th E
AJAY SOHAL	11th B
ABHISHEK PANDEY	12th B

PUZZLE'S QUIZ

NAME	CLASS
DEVANSH	1st D
KANISHK	2nd B
SAKSHI RAUTELA	3rd E
PREKSHA GARG	4th E
MANISHA ARORA	5th A
PRERNA SURI	6th C
RITIKA GABA	7th C
SONALI ARORA	7th D

SCIENCE QUIZ

NAME	CLASS
PREYAS VERMA	3rd D
KRITI	4th A
SIMRAN AHLUWALIA	5th D

COMPUTER QUIZ

NAME	CLASS
MANAN SHORI	3rd B
TANMAY KOCHHAR	4th E
KONARK BAGGAL	5th E

ENGLISH QUIZ

NAME	CLASS
SANYAM GROVER	1st C
KAVYA NARANG	2nd E
TANYA KESWANI	3rd E
PRABHLEEN SINGH	4th B
AYUSHI GUPTA	5th A

APTITUDE QUIZ

NAME	CLASS
VIBHOR	3rd A
SIDAK ARORA	4th C
MAHIMA BHATT	5th E
MALIKA ARORA	8th E
CHHAVI KHURANA	9th E
DEEPANWITA GOSWAMI	10th B
MEGHA SOOD	11th E
SHRUTI DUA	12th D

MATHEMATICS QUIZ

NAME	CLASS
PARTH JOSHI	1st D
VIDHI GROVER	2nd F
JASPREET KAUR	3rd B
HARSHIT AGGARWAL	4th B
ANKUSH ARORA	5th A
PARIMAL GUPTA	6th C
ADITYA AGGARWAL	7th A
SANJANA RAMAN	8th B
DEEPANSHU JAIN	9th D
VANYA DIWAN	10th F
PARTH CHANDOK	11th B
SOURABH LALWANI	12th D

The Vice Principal Mrs. Alka Kher and Eco. Club Co-ordinators Mrs. Archana Tyagi and Mrs. Supriya Bist of our school were awarded Delhi Environmental Education Didactics (DEED). Award by Indian Institute of Ecology and Environment on 14th March, 2008. This is to appreciate the outstanding contribution in the area of environmental & native education.

This award has been jointly instituted by Global Open

University and the Indian Institute of Ecology and Environment and sponsored by the World Institution Building Programme for enabling the Awardees to change the world into a cleaner and greener one with full zeal & enthusiasm so that India and the world could use its knowledge to the fullest extent of their abilities for managing the affairs of the planet and for solving all problems including poverty, illiteracy, pollution, unemployment, greed, population explosion & religious intolerance.



Mrs. Alka Kher, Mrs. Archana Tyagi & Mrs. Bist with their certificates.

ECO - FRIENDLY HOLI

"Vasudha" the Eco-Club of St. Mark's School celebrated Eco.-Friendly Holi with flowers and colours made by using natural material like Mehndi, turmeric, besan etc. School enjoyed the festival with great fervour and enthusiasm along with traditional music.



Staff members enjoying Holi festival.

HRIDAY - SHAN CAMPAIGN

Our school participated in the "Anti Tobacco" campaign "SMOKE FREE RESTAURANT" programme supported by HRIDAY SHAN & Ministry of Health, Govt. of India. Students of class-IX collected base line Data from Hotels & Restaurants in Janak Puri area by interviews & observations to know the status of enforcement of ban on smoking in Public Places. The ban has been imposed by the Govt. of India, Under Indian Tobacco Control Act. 2003.

Our students participated in the national 'India Today' Quiz held at Paillan World School, Kolkatta. The senior team qualified for the final round. Participants of the team were Abhishek Sen & Abhishek Patro.

In the All India Camel Colour Contest, Cicelia Thomas from III & Abhishek from IV class won special cash prize of Rs. 100/- each alongwith Certificates at the regional Level.

Students of IX standard participated in the inter section activity, based to test and evaluate their knowledge on CPR by Hriday Shan. Team of Inderdeep, Sahil, Sakshi, Shailaja won the 1st prize & Team comprising of Raunaq, Arun, Saloni & Krishika stood 2nd. The winners received trophies & gift hampers.



Winners with their trophies.

Manav Mani Jayaram of VII-C was selected in Selection Trial for II International Taekwondo Championship. He attended the camp from 9th Jan., 2008 to 14th Jan., 2008 at Sports Authority of India (SAI), Netaji Subhash Eastern Centre, Kolkata.

WORKSHOPS

- Several workshops were organized for the benefit of the students as well as teachers.
- Adolescent Issue for class-VII, Time Management & Study Effectiveness for IX & XI.
- Robotics for VIII-XI, Art of Living for classes IX-XI were organized.
- For the teachers' benefit a Workshop on stress management was conducted in the school. The teachers thoroughly enjoyed the workshop and learnt new ways to cope up with stress.
- Workshop on English Language - Teaching was also attended by our teachers.

Our school organized a workshop on "making Paper Lanterns" for V std. students. The enthused children prepared beautiful lanterns very artistically. They used coloured paper, ribbons & decorative material and enjoyed the activity thoroughly. The workshop was taken up by Ms. Silky from NIE, Times of India.

OUR SCHOOL JOINS THE WORLD AIDS CAMPAIGN

AIDS is emerging as one of the biggest global health problems. In view of its seriousness, people from all arenas; sports, films, international & national bodies have been showing their concern. As this disease needs to be tackled by one & all, the students of X std. of our school participated in "Chak de Yaron", a world AIDS campaign.

The event was organized by UNESCO & HRIDAY SHAN, an NGO, at the amphitheatre of Ansal Plaza on 4th Dec., 07 to enable the students to be empowered as agents of change in attitude towards AIDS.

The students learnt about HIV & AIDS and pledged to adopt a responsible behaviour to fight the stigma & discrimination against HIV patients. They promised to uphold the dignity & provide support to people living with this problem and to motivate their friends & families to respond with a positive attitude.

Our School Participates in Golden Destination ! A Stroke with The Brush of Imagination

Our School participated in the On The Spot Painting Competition organized by Maulana Azad Institute of Dental Science, New Delhi to mark the celebrations of 25 years of "Golden Destination" on 10th Dec., 2007. Simran Kaur of VC got the Illrd prize a trophy & a cash prize of Rs. 500/- in the group A (Class I-V) category while Aishwarya Suryavanshi of VIII E got the 1st prize, a trophy and a cash prize of Rs. 1000/- in the group B (VI-X) category. The Vice Principal Mrs. Alka Kher congratulated the winners for their wonderful performance.



Winners Aishwarya VIII-E (1st Prize), Simran Kaur-V-C (IIRD Prize)

BASANT PANCHMI CELEBRATIONS



Floral tribute to Ma Saraswati on Basant Panchmi.

Basant Panchmi marks the end of harsh winter chill and arrival of spring; the blooming of flowers & chirping of birds brims the earth with sweetness of the spring season. This beautiful occasion was celebrated on 11th Feb. at our school. The celebrations began with Saraswati Vandana followed by floral tribute to Ma Saraswati. A culture programme of song and dance by students of class V followed the floral tribute. yellow was the colour of the day, the entire school looked extremely pleasant and colourful with all the staff members dressed in different hues of the same colour.

HAPPENINGS

NCC (PM-RALLY)

NCC PRIME MINISTER'S RALLY was held on 28th Jan, 2008 at Garrison Ground Delhi Cantt. 52 Girls Cadets of our school participated in PT Drill and formed the Map of India. These 52 Girl Cadets were from VI-VIII standard.

SCHOOL ANNUAL PICNIC FOR STUDENTS

Our school organized the School Picnic for all from 5th - 12th Dec. Students of classes I to XII went to Appu Ghar alongwith their teachers to take a day off from studies. It was a perfect picnic spot for the students as they enjoyed a variety of rides, alongwith puppet show and snow dance thus letting down their hair giving vent to their joys and illusions.



It's the time to disco - students dancing to latest tunes.



Students enjoying ride in Appu Ghar.

PHOTO FEATURES



One of the winners of 8th on the spot painting competition.



Medha Khurana receiving her trophy.



Chairman Mr. T. P. Aggarwal presenting 'Natraja' to Mrs. Neelam Gulati, Edn. Offr. Zone-18, Distt. West B.



Roopshree Dutta winner of Ramjas Inter School on the SPOT painting competition



Anagha Paranjpe-V D won 11nd Prize in painting competition at Brain International School, Dwarka.

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