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The vital role of Science in modern life cannot be overstated in view of the advancement we see in today's world. Science and technology have been an integral part of Indian civilization and culture over the past several millennia. It has profoundly influenced the course of human civilization. Science has provided us remarkable insights into and beyond the world we live in. The scientific revolution in the 20th century has led to many path-breaking technologies, which promises to herald completely new vistas in varied fields. India has also assimilated scientific ideas and techniques from elsewhere, with open-mindedness and a rational attitude, characteristics of a scientific ethos. India's traditions have been founded on the principles of universal harmony, respect for all creations and an integrated holistic approach. As we stand today at the beginning of a new century, we have to ensure fullest use of these developments for the well-being of our people living in remote corners of our country. This background is likely to provide valuable insight for future scientific advances. The key role of technology as an important element of national development is also well recognized. Home, School, Office all bear witness to the progress and application of Science. What is required for Scientific progress is maintaining the curiosity, awareness, learning and communication amongst our succeeding generations.

MATHS AND SCIENCE EXHIBITION

There's a need and urge to develop, execute and understand living in harmony with nature. This was the main aim of organizing a Mathematics & Science Exhibition in our school on 23rd August.



BRITISH COUNCIL

International School Award
2014-2017



Portraying Scientific Temperament

MATHS AND SCIENCE EXHIBITION

This was effectively incorporated and comprehensively explained by the models and exhibits displayed by the students from Classes VI-XI. The exhibition was based on how concepts of Maths & Science can explain easily the various hypothesis and occurrences in nature, architecture, household items, music and dance, structures, toys, astronomy, space etc.

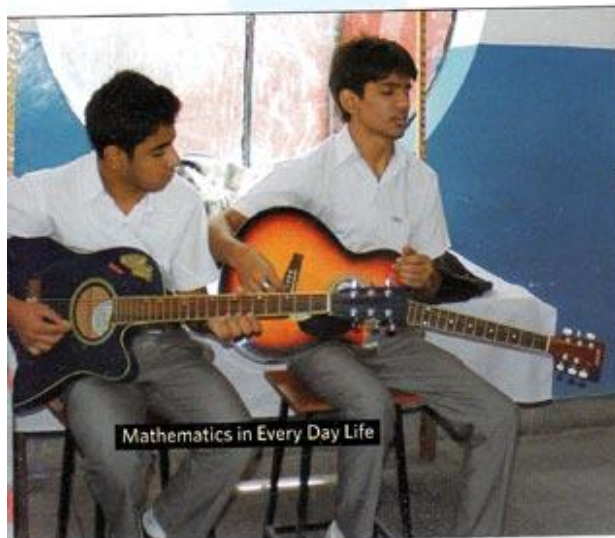
The idea was to develop and encourage scientific aptitude and temperament through easy, understandable and interesting experiments capable of solving our day to day problems and mysteries of life. The whole exercise was conceived in a manner so as to arouse interest and enhance the level of psychomotor and cognitive curiosity among the budding students who enthusiastically explained and justified each concept confidently and animatedly. The exhibition was liked and appreciated by the judges, dignitaries and parents who gave glowing comments about the entire activity.

The Maths Exhibits that won accolades were

Name	Class	Name	Class
Ishan Ambasta	VI B	Gobind Preet Singh	VIII A
Milind Sharma	VI B	Harsh Bhandari	VIII A
Aayushi Sarin	VIII E	Purva Sethi	IX E
Jashandeep Kaur	VII B	Rhea Wadhwa	IX E
Vansh Babbar	VII F	Dhimant Khuttan	IX C
Aryan Dua	VII E	Pranav Sindura	IX C
Jaspreet Kaur	XD	Mansi Batra	XI B
Kashika Kamra	XE	Aditya Tanwar	XI B

The Science Exhibits that won accolades were

Name	Class	Name	Class
Lino Roshaan	VIF	Ria Khurana	VII D
Shivek Seth	VIF	Vanshika Gupta	VII D
Garv Kalra	VID	Aayush Garg	VII C
Tushar Kumar	VID	Aditya Goyal	VII C
Bhavneet Kaur	VIII D	Neha Goel	XD
Anubhuti Sinha	VIII E	Akshita Sehra	XD
Jahanvi Ambasta	VIII B	Abhinav Sharma	XD
Kritika Chauhan	VIII F	Ishmeet Singh	XD
Aakash Bansal	IX C	Tanya Gupta	XI C
Mehar Lamba	IX E	Akshita	XI C



Mathematics in Every Day Life





CBSE RESULT OF CLASS XII FOR SESSION 2013-14

SCIENCE TOPPERS



Rishabh Arora
95.2%



Madhur Jindal
95.2%



Ravin Dhingra
96.6%



Rohit Kapoor
96.6%

HUMANITIES TOPPER



Vipin Juneja
95.2%

The following students of our school were awarded '**Certificate of Merit**' by Central Board of Secondary Education for standing amongst the top 0.1% of the successful candidates in the subject mentioned against their name -

Lakshay Sharma - English Core

Saumya Sood - English Core

Pranav Gaur - English Core

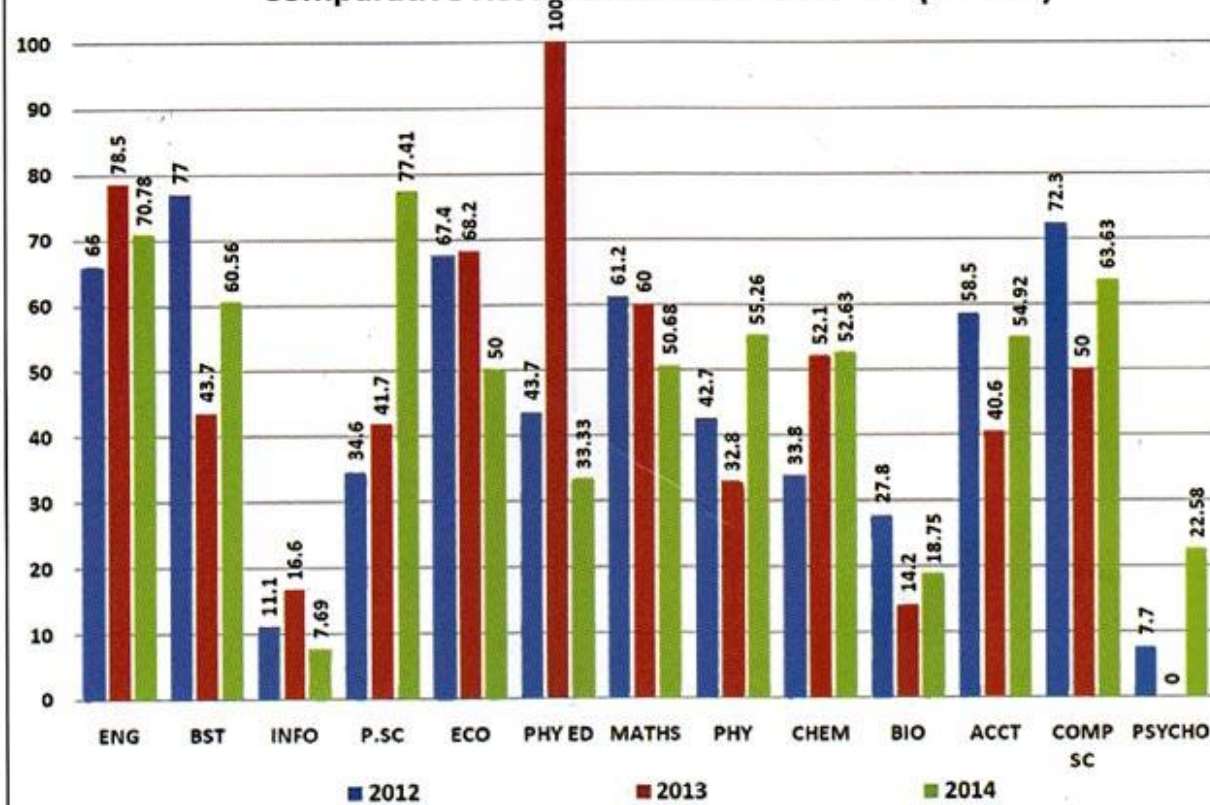
Vipin Juneja - Political Science

Deepank Dubey - Physical Education

COMPARATIVE PERCENTAGE OF TOPPERS

STREAM	2012	2013	2014
SCIENCE	95.8%	96%	95.2%
COMMERCE	97.2%	95.2%	96.6%
HUMANITIES	93%	87.2%	95.2%

Comparative Result 2012-2014 Class - XII(A1+ A2)



STUDENTS SECURING DISTINCTION IN FIVE SUBJECTS

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|------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Manvi Batra | 19. Samridhi Kohli | 37. Aakash Nasa | 55. Tanya Dhingra |
| 2. Rishika Chawla | 20. Tanvi Singh | 38. Ashish Gangal | 56. Abhishek Kohli |
| 3. Deepank Dubey | 21. Rahul Madaan | 39. Lakshay Gaba | 57. Akshay Kumar |
| 4. Garima Setia | 22. Pawan Kumar Gupta | 40. Nitin Yadav | 58. Akshay Sethi |
| 5. Sanjana Sharma | 23. Rishabh Jain | 41. Pranav Gaur | 59. Ayush Thaper |
| 6. Vipin Juneja | 24. Sparsh Jhamb | 42. Rahul Grewal | 60. Bhavya Lamba |
| 7. Akshita Aggarwal | 25. Varun Batra | 43. Rishabh Arora | 61. Ravin Dhingra |
| 8. Ashna Verma | 26. Akriti Anand | 44. Rishabh Kapoor | 62. Gargi Gupta |
| 9. Nikita Mishra | 27. Anisha Sejwal | 45. Rohit Arya | 63. Jyotsna Chhikara |
| 10. Pragya Khanna | 28. Chayanika Sugara | 46. Sahil Arora | 64. Neha Aggarwal |
| 11. Aditya Chopra | 29. Ishita Bhatnagar | 47. Sejal Sinha | 65. Nupur Burreja |
| 12. Guneet Singh Sethi | 30. Megha Gulati | 48. Shivansh Dhall | 66. Antriksh Gupta |
| 13. Lakshay Sharma | 31. Parul Kashyap | 49. Ambika Shukla | 67. Bhanu Kakkar |
| 14. Madhur Jindal | 32. Shivani Nagpal | 50. Apoorva Pandey | 68. Navjot Singh |
| 15. Siddhant Hingorani | 33. Sugandh Goyal | 51. Kanika Dhingra | 69. Pulkit Gupta |
| 16. Charu Bhisht | 34. Varnika Aggarwal | 52. Purna Grover | 70. Rohit Kapoor |
| 17. Harleen Kaur | 35. Yukti Bahl | 53. Punya Arora | 71. Sakshar Arya |
| 18. Riya Sharma | 36. Aakash Gupta | 54. Sanjeena Wadhwa | 72. Satyansh Bhatnagar |
| | | | 73. Kanika Mahajan |

REACHING OUT TO THE WORLD

INDIA-DENMARK EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

As a part of Global Project-Educational-Cum-Cultural Exchange, under the patronage of our school Principal Ms. Rama Sethi, twenty students, accompanied by the Global Project Coordinators, Ms. Archana Tyagi and Ms Monika Uppal, visited Fredricia Gymnasium School, Denmark from 1st to 8th April '14. Our students were paired with their Danish partners and stayed with their host partner's family for deeper understanding of their culture. In order to familiarize their Danish partners to Indian culture, visiting St. Markians gave presentations on Indian culture, its history and its geographical features. They also displayed a fusion of dance of various states of India. The students of both the nations participated in singing their respective National Anthems and bond building activities like friendly cricket and football matches. Students were also taken on various sightseeing trips, such as the field trip to Ecological Pig Farm in Western Denmark and also undertook the tour to Fredricia Town. In the city of Copenhagen, visit to the 'Little Mermaid' and 'Queen's Castle' was indeed a visual treat for our little ambassadors. They also enjoyed themselves at the 'Arhus City' and 'Adventure Park'. The memorable stay came to an end with a Grand Farewell dinner hosted by the Danish counterparts, and they promised to visit our school for studying about India's rich history. St. Markian delegation presented a memento to the Principal, Mr. Paul Erick Madsen, and Vice Principal, Mr. Martin Ingemann, of Fredricia Gymnasium School for making this collaborative team effort between the two nations a great success.



REACHING OUT TO THE WORLD

ODYSSEY INTERNATIONAL LITFEST

A team of ten students Raj Singh VIII B, Samdeesh Mahajan IX A, Dipen Gupta X C, Isha Gupta X F, Shivani Gupta X F, Aditi Sharma XI B, Prabhdeep Kaur XI B, Sharad Sah XI B, Manisha Arora XII B and Lovish Harjai XII B accompanied by Ms. Swati Banerji participated in the Odyssey International LitFest held at Lucknow from 23rd to 26th August. They competed with 75 National and International teams. Our students participated enthusiastically in all the events - Photo Montage, Debate, Turn Coat, Philharmonic, Drama, Dance, etc. **Aditi Sharma** won the 3rd prize in the Debate Competition. A special trophy - '**Most Ignited Minds**' was awarded to the team. Our students also took part in - Galactica, an event where they walked the ramp as different famous fiction characters. This fest also created an awareness in the participants that as citizens of the Global Village, they need to protect not only the interests of our country but the entire mankind.



St. Markians at Odyssey LitFest

GLOBAL VIRTUAL CLASSROOM

GVC - An online collaboration learning project that fosters creativity, cross cultural understanding, helping others and teaches Information Technology and Website Designing skills amongst students, required for 21st century, working together from around the world. Contest participants virtually collaborated with students in other countries to build and submit website designed around a provocative theme. The **primary team** of our school along with our partner schools - Edgewood Elementary School, USA and Voznesenskaya School, Russia won the **Special Merit Award** for Exceptional Creativity. Our topic was 'Holidays Around the World'.



GVC Primary team - Learning the new trends of 21st Century

GVC **Secondary team** got a **Merit Award** for Exceptional Collaboration for their site "Friendship Beyond Culture". The students worked in collaboration with Russia, Spain and got a participation certificate along with the Teacher Coordinators Ms. Monika Uppal and Ms. Rosy Marwah. The school was awarded with a Merit Certificate.



GVC Secondary team - Empower, Enable and Connect students is our motto

CELEBRATING SHAKESPEARE

To commemorate the 450th birth anniversary and honour the world's greatest dramatist William Shakespeare, our school held Shakespeare week between 21st April to 25th April. The activities included "Speeches of Shakespeare" for students of Classes XI & XII, (**Tanmay Kochhar**, XI C, won 1st position & **Ginnie Thareja**, XII D, won 2nd position) and "Literary Quiz" on the works and life of Shakespeare for students of Classes X & XII, wherein **Henry V Team**, consisting of Eshita Madhok (XII D), Udit Chatterjee (XI D), Arnav (X D) & Palak Mahajan (X D) secured 1st position. The celebration concluded with a well documented power point presentation on the life of the legend and projection of the movie "Tempest", which was well appreciated by one and all.



A proud moment for Tanmay & Ginnie



The Henry V team

BASTILLE DAY CELEBRATIONS

In an attempt to understand French culture and its place in history, students of Classes VII and VIII celebrated **French National Day**, on 9th August with full zeal and enthusiasm. This day in French is known as Bastille Day which commemorates the beginning of the French Revolution with the Storming Of Bastille on 14th July 1789.

This event began with a march past, followed by a colourful folk dance "FARANDOLE" by the students of Classes VII and VIII. Students also gave a soulful rendition of 'SANTIANO' song and also enacted poem 'Liberte'. The students also sang the French National Anthem.

Chairperson Mr. T.P Aggarwal, Manager Mr. Rahul Aggarwal, Guest of Honour Dr. Farida Irania (French Professor in DU) graced the occasion and appreciated the students for their efforts.



Honouring Bastille Day - rendition of the French National Anthem

INVESTITURE CEREMONY

The Investiture Ceremony for senior students was conducted on two days, 13th May and 24th July. On 13th May, in the presence of our School Manager, Mr. Rahul Aggarwal; Head Boy, Head Girl, School Captains, Sports Captains and House Captains were administered the School Pledge and conferred their respective 'Badge of Honour'. On 24th July, in the presence of our School Chairman, Mr. T.P. Aggarwal; Vice Head Boy, Vice Head Girl, Vice School Captains, Vice Sports Captains, Vice House Captains and Discipline Incharges were pinned respective 'Badge of Honour'. The Chairman **Mr. T P Aggarwal** in his speech congratulated the Office Bearers and advised them to take up their duties sincerely, with full commitment. School Principal **Ms. Rama Sethi** delivered a motivational speech encouraging them to be committed and remember that leadership comes with integrity and responsibility. She stated - "Only you can make a difference - so do things differently. Don't look back how many people are following you - just keep on moving ahead and give your best."



THE OFFICE BEARERS FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2014-15

Head Boy - Vansh Sharma (XII D) • **Head Girl** - Mahika Luthra (XII B) • **School Captains** - Parikshit Khanna (XII E), Seerat Dheer (XII B) • **Sports Captains** - Divij Joshi (XII C), Srijla Bagal (XII A) • **House Captains** - Medha Khurana (XII B) (Gandhi), Shubham Gulati (XII C) (Nehru), Gayatri Sonkar (XII D) (Patel), Sarthak Khera (XII B) (Shastri) • **Discipline Incharges** - Himanshi Malhotra (XII E), Ishita Kapoor (XII B), Pragya Dhingra (XII B), Anmol Gupta (XII B), Kartik Sharma (XII A) • **Vice Head Boy** - Siddharth Saha (XI C) • **Vice Head Girl** - Udit Chatterjee (XI D) • **Vice School Captain** - Tanmay Kochhar (XI C), Mansi Batra (XI B) • **Vice Sports Captain** - Paras Gupta (XI B), Mansi Tomar (XI E) • **Vice House Captains** - Anchal Gupta (XI B) (Gandhi), Keerat Pal Singh (XI E) (Nehru), Aditi Sharma (XI B) (Patel), Parth Trehan (XI B) (Shastri) • **Vice Discipline Incharges** - Rahul Beer (XI C), Jaspreet Singh (XI D), Anshita Bansal (XI D), Harsh Beniwal (XI A), Vardha Kharbanda (XI A), Parneet Kaur (XI A), Tanisha Dadhwal (XI C) • **Discipline Incharges (Class IX)** - Navdeep Singh (IX A), Anant Singhal (IX B), Aakash Bansal (IX C), Karan Anand (IX D), Rhea Wadhwa (IX E)

As a first taste of leadership responsibility, students of Class V got an opportunity to become office bearers, after systematic process, of written test and series of interviews. Investiture Ceremony for juniors was held on 25th August 2014 wherein the following students were selected to be Office Bearers for the session 2014-2015. The Senior Head Boy - Vansh Sharma administered the Oath of Office to the office bearers in the presence of Principal Ms. Rama Sethi, Vice Principal Ms. Alka Kher and Educational Supervisor Ms. Inderpreet Kaur Ahluwalia.

Junior Head Boy - Dev Bahl (V A) • **Junior Head Girl** - Sneha Gautam (V B) •

Discipline Incharges - Vansh Malhotra (V B), Manisha Varma (V A), Aryan Satija (V C), Mishti Ohri (V C), Ekansh Verma (V D), Nitin Malik (V D), Raghav Garg (V E), Aaratrika (V E), Kanak Malik (V F), Suvda Virmani (V F)





SANSKRIT WEEK

Sanskrit is one of the most ancient languages. Sanskrit and Indian culture are intertwined as most of the indigenous knowledge is available in this language. To keep the language alive and encourage linguistic creativity among students, Sanskrit Week was celebrated in the school from 7th August to 13th August, when the following activities were held:

7th August - On the smart board students of Classes VI to VIII were shown PPT.- Easy way of learning Sanskrit, Classes IX to X -were shown PPT'S on Sanskrit families, Sanskrit marriages, Sanskrit news and Advertisements in Sanskrit.

8th August - Sanskrit Exhibition was conducted by students of VI-VIII.

11th August - Story telling Competition for Classes VI and VII. **Mr. Sachin** from Sanskrit Bharti was invited to judge the competition. The winners were:

Class	First Prize	Second Prize	Third Prize	Special Prize
VI	Kinshuk Chawla, VI B	Ridham Rana, VI D		
VII	Komal Wadhawan, VII B	Parth Madaan, VII F	Palak Aggarwal, VII B	Swarnima Sabharwal, VII D

12th August - Recitation Competition for VI to VIII. **Mr. Dhananjay Shastri** judged the competition. The winners were:

Class	First Prize	Second Prize	Third Prize	Special Prize
VI	Aaniya Bahuguna, VI F	Mehak Tanwar, VI C	Amishi Kadam, VI C	Shashaank Nair, VI F
VII	Aishwarya Sharma, VII A	Isha Saluja, VII F	Abhiroop Dutta, VII E	
VIII	Arpana Jha, VIII A	Anuj K Sharma, VIII A	H Sreshtha, VIII C	

13th August - Importance of the Bhagvad Gita in Modern Life was depicted through Enactment by VIII, IX & X standard students. Students who were adjudged best performers were : Manan Shori (X F) • Ankita Sharma (IX A) • Medha Sharma (IX A) • Karthik M Panikar (IX A) • Harshit Jha (IX A) • Samdeesh Mahajan (IX A)

The celebration of this week stimulated interest in Sanskrit and increased awareness about the close relationship between Sanskrit and other languages.



COMPETITIONS

SINGING

Music is the universal language. A good melody is something that everyone can enjoy and understand. Music is a great form of expression, especially in children. It can boost their brain's capability, build confidence and inculcate discipline. Towards this endeavour, **Solo Singing Competition** was organized for Classes **III, IV** on 1st August and Class **V** on 16th May 2014. Students presented melodious numbers from different genre and rendered songs of famous singers & rock bands like the Beatles, ABBA, John Denver, Cliff Richards etc. The audience enjoyed the foot tapping music and clapped along to cheer up the competitors.



Solo Singing Winners - Class III

1st Prize - Maitreyi Mishra (III A) • Amitoj Singh (IV B) • Sneha Gautam (V B) • **2nd Prize** - Gunjan (III E) • Suhani (IV A) • Vaibhav Kapoor (V E) • Mishti Ohri (V C) • **3rd Prize** - Swastika (III B) • Disha Goyal (IV B) • Shubham Choudhary (V D) • **Special Prize** - Aarav Dua (III C) • Samarth Sharma (IIID) • Ayush Sharma (IV G) • Nehal Sharma (IV C) • Bhavya Srihari (V C) • Aaratrika (V E)

Inter School Singing Competition was organised by Mamta Model School, Vikaspuri on 23rd August. **Sakshi Taneja**, IXE won 1st Prize in Senior Girls Classical Music & Senior Girls Light Music category and **Ishita Dhir**, IXA won 2nd prize in Senior Girls Semi Classical Music Category. Inter School Singing Competition was organised by Andhra Education Society, B1, Janakpuri, on 29th August. Our Girls Chorus, consisting of following members, won **1st prize**:

Ishita Dhir (IX A), Aastha Jain (IX A), Mannat Kukreja (X C), Vidisha Kaushal (X F), Aastha Kedar (X F), Nisha Sharma (X F), Isha Gupta (X F), Sakshi Rautela (X A), Sakshi Taneja (IX E), Harleen Kaur (IX E), Ishita Verma (IX C), Simran Gosain (IX B), Disha Sharma (VII D) & Anushka Sulklen (VII D).

PRAKRITI & SANSKRITI UTSAV

To sensitize the students about their ethical obligations towards our Mother Earth, and to make the children aware of their responsibilities and thus respect our rich heritage, Prakriti and Sanskriti Utsav was held in St. Mark's School, Meerabagh on 23rd & 24th April. Third prize was won by **Naman Kumar** (VIII-B) for Poster Making, Special Prizes were won by Suhani (IV-A) for the event 'Know an Indian Bird or Animal', Sankalp Singh (VI-E) for 'Know Your Country', Namish Guglani (VIII-C) and Hardik Sharma (VIII-A) for 'Poster Making'. Jaspreet Kaur (X-D) won Audience Prize for 'Mythology Quiz'.



Our consciousness for Mother Earth made us the winners

DRAWING COMPETITIONS

Columbia Foundation organised an Inter school Drawing Competition on 16th April. **Naman Kumar** (VIII A) won third prize.

As a part of Earth Day celebration, **MAA Foundation** organised an Inter School Drawing Competition on 24th April on the Topic "Save Earth".



A moment of pride for the budding artists

The budding artists of our school who excelled were:

Category	First Prize	Second Prize	Third Prize
Classes I-V	Ekansh Verma, V D	Tamanna Ahuja, V D Shwetank Bhardwaj, III F	Hardit Singh Sandhu, I A
Classes VI - VIII	Shresth Saxena, VI E	Tushar Mahna, VI E	Pakhi Verma, VIII A
Classes IX-X	Srishty Saxena, IX E	Shreya Jain, IX D	Muskan Aggarwal, X B

An Inter School Drawing Competition was organised by **Vishwa Bharati Public School**, on 29th August. **Ekansh Verma V D**, was awarded **1st prize**.

A Drawing Competetion was organized by **The Federation of Indian Publishers** on 30th August at Pragati Maidan for Classes IV to X. Our students won several prizes.

First Prize - Vansh Kumar (V B) • **Second Prize** - Shreya Jain (IX D) • **Consolation Prize** - Snigdha Kuri (VII C), Hardik Sharma (VIII A), Naman Kumar (VIII B), Namish Guglani (VIII C), Annanya Raj (IX C), Srishty Saxena (IX E).

WORLD SCHOLAR'S CUP

Srishti Verma (XII D), **Darpan Tikiya** (XII B) & **Manisha Arora** (XII B) displayed excellent versatility and justified their place in the World Scholar's Cup, Global Round, held in Singapore, from 23rd to 28th June 2014. Darpan Tikiya was awarded the Certificate of Achievement for distinguished participation, Manisha Arora received Certificate of Achievement for being in the Top 30% in Individual Writing and **Srishti Verma** received the Certificates of Achievement for being in the Top 25% in Challenge and History, Top 50% in Challenge and Arts, Top 35% in Challenge and Literature and was also awarded **Gold medal** for being school's top scorer. Overall our school got 293rd rank among 800 teams worldwide securing 23588.10 points in different events. Congratulations to the winners!

ACT & ADVERTISE

Students of Class V participated in an Interschool Competition titled 'Act & Advertise' conducted by **K. R. Manglam** school on 06th May 2014. Our students enthusiastically exhibited their exquisite talent of acting out 'Fresh Splash Juice Cane'. The judges adjudged them **first** in the Competition. The members of the group were:

Manisha Varma (V A), Ojas Oberoi (V A), Sneha Gautam (V B), Srishti Sharma (V B), Mishti Ohri (V C), Eliena Jindal (V D).

HANDWRITING COMPETITION

In order to boost the confidence of children and also to help them in developing their handwriting skills, our school organized a handwriting competition on 28th April 2014 for the students of Classes I to V. The best five entries chosen from every class, judged on the basis of legibility, neatness, presentation, style, punctuation, word formation, spelling etc. were:

First Prize	Kanishk Jindal, I A	Pari Kataria, II E	Priyanshi Panwar, III A	Nishchay Juneja, IV G	Khushi Jain, V E
Second Prize	Tanish Sharma, I B	Anshika Aggarwal, II C	Pranshu Arora, III C	Prashansa Sharma, IV E	Ayush Khandelwal, V B
Third Prize	Hardit Singh, I A	Vansh Shah, II F	Adhyan Jain, III C	Akansha Sharma, IV A	Riya Aggarwal, V E
Special Prize	Arham Khan, I D	Yashaswi Tomar, II C	Tanisha Sharma, III A	Anubha Suhag, IV B	Parineeta Bakshi, V F
Special Prize	Kashika Singhal, I D	Vikram Attri, II E	Harshit Bahl, III B	Sambhav Gupta, IV D	Aditi Goel, V A

CREATIVE WRITING COMPETITION

A Creative Writing Competition was held on 14th July for classes IX to XII. Students displayed their creative skills in the best possible way through their immaculate writing pieces.

First Prize	Aayush Goel, IX E	Advaita Saxena, X E	Sidak Arora, XI E	Srijla Bagai, XII A
Second Prize	Medha Sharma, IX A	Niharika Sharma, X D	Ayushi Malhotra, XI D	Prachi Gupta, XII B
Third Prize	Sakshi Taneja, IX E	Gurpreet Kaur, X B	Vibhuti Sharma, XI D	Tushar Banga, XII C

"The final list of a leader is that he leaves behind him

in other men the conviction and the will to carry on"

- Walter Lippmann

STUDENT'S CORNER

WHERE IS HE ?

He made earth and solar system
He has given us brains and sense organs
He has given us night to rest
And morning to do work
He has,
Yes he has !
And we have feelings of his presence .
He is there , but where ?
We have heard about His life
About His journey of life
About His miracles .
But I think He is lost somewhere
Yes, He is lost
Because I can't find Him .
Many people were keen on finding him
And they went across
But did they find Him , No
They are still not back
They never returned
Is He in temples
Or
In our parents
Or
In far away land where we never went
Or
Inside us as some experienced old people say
If yes , then why do we go wrong sometimes
Why do we cry ?
Why are we unaware of some secrets of nature He made
Is He there , if yes , where is He ?
I don't know , you don't know !
Where , where , where
Where is He ?
I don't know where ,
But somewhere ,
He is there
I believe.

Jhanvi Shori (VIII A)

O MOTHER

The divine invention, His self creation
With no preventions, only suggestions
You've been my support, true inspiration
O Mother, dear Mother
I've seen you struggling in and out
With no complaints or any doubt
You've given me life and support
O Mother, Dear Mother
God I thank you, I owe you tons
Not worthy I feel though I'm one
To deserve your bestest creation
O Mother, Dear Mother
Everyday I open my eyes to see you
Warmth in voice and caressing you
My day is made with me and around you
O Mother, Dear Mother

Shikha Sangwan (X A)

PLEASE PAY ATTENTION

My dear friends please pay attention
I have few things here to mention
When you enter the school gate
Be sure that you are never late
Then say your prayer with pure heart
This is how everyday they must start
Listen to what your teacher say
Increase your knowledge day by day
If your teacher scolds you, never mind
Its teaching of its own kind
This precious time you must utilize
Or you will be sorry otherwise
This few things I had to mention
Thank you for your attention.

Priyanshi Arora (V C)

MOTHER EARTH FORGIVE US

Mother Earth Forgive us
We are insane
Mother Earth Forgive us
You fulfilled our needs
And we fools fulfilled our greeds by hurting you
Mother Earth Forgive us
We are insane
Mother Earth Forgive us
You nurtured us like your own child
And we fools plotted to destroy you

Mother Earth Forgive us
You like a mother nurtured your children
And we fools saw our greed and benefit
And in our every move and in our complete sense
planned your destruction
Oh Mother Earth Forgive thy children!!!
Oh Mother Earth Forgive thy destructors!!
Oh Mother Earth Forgive thy sinners!!!
Oh Mother Forgive us
We are insane!!

Harshita Kumari (X F)

SOMETIMES IN LIFE

Sometimes in life we feel so blue,
 Someone somewhere is not as happy as you
 Across the border when a soldier sleeps,
 Missing his loved ones he silently weeps
 A little girl in an orphanage becomes very sad
 When she misses her mom and dad
 A loving mother continuously sighs
 When she notices that her son does not open his eyes
 A poor dad within dies,
 When he sees his children begging for a bowl of rice
 So in life, reason to laugh, you may not have any
 Convince yourself that you are happy than many
 Life my friends, is not always blue
 Because someone somewhere is not as happy as you
 So love everything you have and honour it. **Krishna (VII B)**

A THING OF BEAUTY IS A JOY FOREVER

Beauty here, Beauty there
 Yet no one can see
 Beauty has many layers
 From a tree to thee.
 Water droplets falling down
 Drop by drop
 The little toad enjoying it now
 Hop! Hop! Hop!
 The sun seems so pretty
 To the snowman at the poles
 And a point of light is a glare
 To those living in holes.
 Beauty lies in the eyes of the beholder
 It is said so well
 From the ice cold water
 To the little shell.
 From a baby not yet born
 To the grown ups
 And the picture that is torn
 To a shirt newly worn.
 Beauty here, Beauty there
 Yet no one can see
 Beauty has many layers
 From a tree to thee.

Vibhuti Sharma (XI D)**THE SYMPHONY OF LIFE**

Sometimes I sit in the dark
 Filled with fear and gloom so stark
 I think I am not gonna make the mark
 shuffling across with my fear so stark.
 And such high stakes and such high bets
 the loser is crushed and the winner all he gets.
 Darwin said it is the fittest who survives.
 The poor little loser has to part from his guys.
 The struggle is long and filled with grief
 There's no escape, there's no relief
 The clever evil devil while swinging his mace,
 Correctly remarked that life is a race.
 The one's who stand above the rest.
 Get everything as they are the best.
 To be known and to be in sight,
 Stand on others, crush them with your might.
 This world ain't a place for good souls.
 The innocent, they play no roles.
 Deception, revenge and broken hearts
 This is the way the struggle starts.
 So come on, go give them a fight
 Use their tricks and get them out of sight
 "Co'z it ain't the power but the timing of the blow,
 That knocks out the hell out of your poor little foe.
 This is the Symphony of Life.

Nikhita Rana (XF)**BEAUTY OF LIFE**

Mother giving birth to a child
 The tears of joy that she can't hide
 What is it? It is the beauty of life!
 Tender children early in the morning cry
 Don't want to go to school
 Ask their mother why?
 What is it? It is the beauty of life
 Teenage soul aim so high
 Act like adults
 Treated like a child
 What is it? It is the beauty of life!
 Then comes the struggle of life
 Everyone has their expectation high
 One has to work all day and night
 What is it? It is the beauty of life.
 All these stages are beauty of life
 Don't get sad and always have a smile
 Just keep confidence in yourself
 One day you will truly find your sunshine.

Sidak Arora (XI E)

STUDENTS' WORKSHOPS

ROBOTICS WORKSHOP

The working of a robot from ancient times till 2050 was shown to the students of class VI in the Robotics Workshop held on 8th July 2014. A robot model was also shown to them which performed various tasks like walking, a 360° rotation movement of jaw. The resource person from IRC conducted the entire session.

I AM SAFE

Our School Counselling Psychologist Ms. Shikha Khandpur conducted workshop on the topic 'I am Safe' for students of Classes I to VIII from 19th August to 1st September. The workshop for each class was conducted in a graded manner considering the age of the students. For primary classes the main focus of the workshop was on creating awareness about good touch and bad touch, child sexual abuse, steps to be taken for protecting oneself from sexual abuse and awareness about how to be cautious of strangers. For classes six to eight it was not only creating awareness about good touch and bad touch, sexual abuse or steps to be taken for protecting oneself, but it also dealt with discussion of the case studies, breaking the culture of silence, pubertal changes and decoding the notion of sexuality.

WORKSHOP ON CAREER IN THE FIELD OF SCIENCE

The Career Counselling workshop "Eureka" was conducted by Centre for Career Development in Sachdeva Public School on 24th April. The focus of the workshop was to create awareness amongst students about the emerging disciplines within the field of science, which would eventually help them in making the right decision about their future career. Eminent personality **Mr. Jitin Chawla** and others spoke on emerging areas such as aeronomics, aerospace, nanotechnology, bioinformatics, industrial robotics, marine science, oceanology and many more. The interaction was multimode, where the speakers interacted with students through the support of various media like videos, PPT presentations followed by the question and answer round.

CAREER COUNSELLING

Brigadier Rupinder Singh, an alumni of NDA, IMA Defence Staff College, presently actively involved in war games & Defence Strategies concerning India's Defence against China, held a Career Counselling Session and encouraged class XII students of all streams about career options in Defence Services after Class XII. Students found the entire session interesting & also obtained clarification to their queries. A Workshop on **Career Counselling and Vedic Maths** was held on 10th and 11th July by **Institute of Management Studies** for all streams separately. The workshop started with discussion on importance of Board exams with students. The emphasis was laid on regular self studies for 2-3 hours, flexible timetable etc. The cut off percentage going higher was a matter of concern during the discussion. The students were apprised of entrance exams to certain courses like NIIFT. Logical Reasoning, Verbal Reasoning, General Maths and General Awareness were some of the other topics of discussion. Students were encouraged to read newspapers to keep themselves updated with recent events around the world over and current affairs. A reality check was done wherein the students were given an aptitude test comprising of previous entrance exams. The students were advised to pursue course from a premium institute rather than opting for any average private colleges. Management, Law, Hotel Management, Mass Communication, Psychology etc. were some of the courses discussed. Students were encouraged to raise questions on the topic of discussion. Their queries were related to Photography, Tourism etc. In the second round, workshop on Vedic Maths was conducted; wherein instead of verbally telling the advantages of Vedic Maths a practical discussion was held and few techniques which could help the students solve mathematical problems quickly & efficiently were shared with them. These included techniques to simplify multiplication & square roots.

YOUNG SCHOLARS PROGRAMME

Himani Anand XI A attended YOUNG SCHOLARS PROGRAMME organized by IILM Lodhi Road, in the month of May. During the workshop, a series of sessions helped the participants understand concepts like generating business ideas, applying various marketing tools, concepts of banking, working of the stock market etc. The lectures of eminent scholars helped them broaden their horizon. The PROGRAMME proved to be a tremendous platform for her, as it helped her and other participants to showcase their ideas and creativity and transform them to effective business plans. In a way it prepared the participants to plan for the life beyond school. Predominantly, the workshop helped the participants build new friendship, thereby, increasing their networking and social interaction.

***"The journey of a thousand miles
starts with a single step"***



Himani - Young Scholars Programme

SPACE ASTRONOMY CLUB

A workshop was organized for the Space Astronomy Club students of class VI. The students participated in launching of a rocket with the fluid, thus kindling in them a spirit of scientific inquiry.

ART WORKSHOP

To sharpen the artistic skills amongst our art loving students, three days summer programme was organised from 20 to 22 May 2014. On 20th May, 50 students of Classes IV to XII had an educational visit to National Gallery of Modern Art, Jaipur House, New Delhi. Students got training in 'Landscape Drawing' and 'Still Life Object Drawing' on 21 and 22 May 2014.

WORK LIFE AND LEISURE

Dr. Nisha Varshney, Resource Person of Study Mate, affiliated to Hindustan Times News Paper, conducted a workshop on Work Life and Leisure, a chapter from History for Class X students, on 17th July. During the three sessions, Ms Varshney familiarized the students on the background and importance of the era of Industrial Revolution and the accompanying changes in society. It was quite an interactive session; wherein the students were encouraged to ask and answer questions on the topic.

SUMMER CAMP ON Do It Yourself (DIY) ELECTRONICS

We are in Electronic Age, so the earlier, one gets initiated into this world and gain some domain knowledge, the better. For the benefit of our students, 6 days summer camp on DIY ELECTRONICS was organised in the school premises from 20th May to 27th May 2014. Around 54 students from Classes VII to X participated. A group of IITIAN'S, well experienced in the field of electronics mentored our students. Students got to learn the basic electronics and the art of prototyping. The students were exposed to basic circuit designing on the breadboard, practical circuits such as glowing LED, series and parallel combinations, uses of switches, relays, semiconductor (Diode) and transistor.

WORKSHOP ON RELATIONS AND FUNCTIONS

A Workshop on 'Relations and Functions' was held for the students of Science and Commerce stream by **Dr. Rajiv K Sharda**, (Member of Institute of Electricals and Electronics Engineer). Concept of Binary Operators was explained with the help of Power Point Presentation. Various questions from the topic discussed were put to the students, thus instantly testing the knowledge gained on the subject.

USHERING INTO AN ERA OF MEANINGFUL LEARNING

An **IN - SERVICE TEACHERS' TRAINING PROGRAMME** was conducted on 17th and 19th May, with a motive to enhance the Professional competence of teachers. The programme emphasised on the need for improvement in pedagogy, attitude, technology & skill development to make education more relevant in the 21st century. The topics on which workshops were held:

- ❖ **'Communication Skills enhancement'** - During the seminar **Mr. Ajit Banerjee** stressed the importance of communication as a vital tool in today's age, as it is the way we communicate that ultimately determines the quality of our lives. The seminar highlighted on the purpose of communication to elicit change, generate action, create understanding and convey a certain idea. Components of communication such as encoding and decoding were explained to the participants. Mr. Banerjee also underlined the importance of listening, as we spend 45 % of our time listening. Therefore, enhancement of various ways of communication such as verbal, non verbal were stressed upon. The participating teachers imbibed the valuable points given in the workshop.
- ❖ **'Health and Nutrition'** - Renowned wellness Consultant **Mr. Dinesh Siddhu** focussed on curing lifestyle diseases by changing our life style. The workshop focussed on the slogan 'prevent the preventable and delay the inevitable'. It was an eye opener workshop which highlighted the importance of positive mental attitude, adequate food etc.
- ❖ **'Adolescent issues'** - **Mr. Majumdar** focussed on the mental and physical changes that the teenagers undergo and how to address them in the best possible way. He stressed on the issues of teenage arrogance and frustrations and provided meaningful solutions.
- ❖ **'Bulletin Board Decoration'** - **Ms. Silky** provided the teachers with various tips to make the Bulletin Board in a more interesting and attractive manner and how to display important information.
- ❖ **'Teaching Prose & Poetry and the Art of Story Telling'** - **Ms. Tara Chadha**, a former Reader at SPM College, Delhi University, in association with Pearson Longman conducted a workshop on teaching prose & poetry & the art of story telling to teachers.
- ❖ **'Mathematical Skills'** - Jodo Gyan, a non profit social enterprise, organised a workshop on mathematical skills for primary teachers. Resource Person **Ms. Pooja & Ms. Vandana** introduced & explained innovative methods.

TEACHERS' WORKSHOPS

- ❖ **'Effective Techniques of teaching Mathematics'** - **Mr. S.N.Chhibber** explained effective techniques of teaching Mathematics. All the Maths teachers were benefited from the workshop.
- ❖ **'Learning Disabilities'** - The Resource person **Ms. Neha** for Orkids Foundation, India, shared valuable information about the characteristics and behaviour of children suffering from learning disabilities like Dyslexia, Dysgraphia, Dyspraxia, Dyscalculia, ADHA and Sensory Integration Disorder. She advised teachers on how to identify such cases as well as deal with them in a sensitive manner. It was a unique and positive step towards understanding and helping such children, as each child deserves the best.
- ❖ **'Science'** - Eminent author, **Dr. Veer Bala Rastogi** (Fellow of Academy of Zoology, a Distinguished Author, 2012, by the Federation of Educational Publishers in India, awardee) discussed effective ways of teaching Science & also shared concepts of various disciplines of Biological Sciences like Cell Biology, Genetics & Molecular Biology.

MATHSPEAK INDIA INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

The topic for the conference, which was held on 8th August 2014, was "Teaching of Mathematics and Numeracy in 21st Century India". In the first session **Mr. Dinesh Singh**, Vice Chancellor of Delhi University cited various tips on how to correlate "Mathematics with daily life". Next session was on Technology and its use from lesson planning to e - assessment i.e. how to use technology during classroom teaching. Last session dealt with innovations and ideas for curriculum transaction for international dimensions. The Conference was attended by one of our Maths teacher.

Annual Conference organized by 'Forum of Public Schools'

4th Annual Conference organized by 'Forum of Public Schools' held at India International Centre on 3rd May, on the topic 'Innovation: Creating a Culture', was attended by Principal Ms. Rama Sethi along with Education Supervisors, Ms. Anupam Ganesh, Ms. Inderpreet Ahluwalia and few teachers of our school. The Conference began with the introduction given by **Mr. S.L.Jain**, about the imperative need of an 'innovative' society, which can only come about when the young minds start creating new ideas, as the demand and requirement of present times is based on 'Newness'. An enlightening discussion was moderated by **Dr. Vinayshil Gautam**, Chairman - All India Board of Management Education. He stressed on the requirement of making the children learn how to think, understand, use technology without being dependent on it. He further emphasised on the reading of literature, to awaken the power of imagination in young minds. **Prof. Debashis Chatterjee**, Director IIM Kozhikode, explained the concept of innovation as a "non-verbal intelligence". This was followed by the presentations on Best Practices by few schools who are using innovative methods in their respective institutions. **Prof. Rama Mathew** (Dean D.U.) spoke on the need to explain the concept of failure to students as inevitable part of life.

AN INTERACTIVE WORKSHOP

An interactive Computer workshop was organized for computer teachers at Radisson Blue Hotel, Dwarka on 23rd September by KIPS - A Professional Computer Education House. Two teachers from IT Department of our school attended the workshop. The main motto of the workshop was to create awareness amongst Computer teachers, as how computer can be taught as a tool and not as a subject, making it cramming free, making theory classes more interactive and on the whole how to enhance and enlighten the learning process through technology.

ACCOUNTANCY WORKSHOP

A workshop on Accountancy by **Dr. Balbir Singh** was held on 24th April 2014. The speaker spoke extensively on the topic 'Movement of share prices of 5 selected companies for ten consecutive days'. This cerebral discussion was appreciated by the Commerce teachers. Two teachers of our school attended a workshop on Accountancy, organized by Publishers Sultan Chand and Sons on 16th July 2014 at Guru Harkrishan Public School. **Dr. G.S. Grewal** and **Mr. R.K. Khosla** were the resource person. They spoke on 'Revised Scheduled VI of Companies Act 1956' and recent changes in the pattern of Class XII CBSE paper.

WORKSHOP BY COMMERCE TEACHER'S FOUNDATION

Commerce Teachers' Foundation (CTF), a non profit organization organized workshops on changes in the curriculum and question paper design in Commerce subjects. Two of the Commerce teachers of our school attended the open house meet and the workshop on Business Studies, by **Mr. G.S. Alag**, an upcoming author, at St. Thomas School, Mandir Marg, on 12th July. The Resource person talked about changes in Project work and introduction of multi disciplinary questions in the forthcoming Board Exams.

Commerce Teachers' Association organized a workshop on 26th July conducted by **Prof. S.C.Sharma**, an eminent author, on the topic 'Changes in the curriculum and Design of question papers for Accountancy'. A PGT (Commerce) teacher of our school attended the workshop.

WORKSHOP ON WASTE MANAGEMENT

A Waste Management workshop was conducted by **Mr. Niranjan Khatri**, the General Manager, Gold Environs (ITC Welcome Group of Hotels) on 9th August 2014. Teachers of our school attended the same. Mr. Khatri discussed various ways to conserve water, electricity and portrayed several examples and practical practices which can be adopted in day to day life.

SKATING

Dynamic Sports organized an 'Inter School Skating Competition', in Dwarka Sports Complex on 26th April. Our students showed an exemplary performance and won the prizes in the following categories:

Under 12

Kushagra Bhatia, VIIB	II
Sparsh Jindal, VII A	III
Karandeep Singh, VIIA	III
Utkarsh Soni, VI A	III

Under 10

Gauri Singh, VIB	I
Aryan Gandhi, VIE	III

Under 8

Himanshi Pandey, IV E	II
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SWIMMING

Zonal Swimming Competition was organized by Zone 18, in GGSSS No.2, C Block, Janakpuri, for Boys Group III on 13th August and for Girls Group III on 14th August. The following students of our school won honours for themselves and for the School.:

BOYS

Sarthak Kedar, VII C	50 mts Back Stroke	I
Sarthak Kedar, VII C	50 mts Butterfly	I
Saurav Sharma, VII B	50 mts Butterfly	III
Devansh Sukhani, VII C	50 mts Breast Stroke	III
Saurav Sharma, VIII B	100 mts Freestyle	III
Sarthak Kedar, VIII C	4 x 50 mts Relay	II
Saurav Sharma, VIII B		
Aman Mehta, VIII E		
Kartik Barrot, VIII C		

GIRLS

Gehna Sahni, VIII C	50 mts Freestyle	I
Gehna Sahni, VIII C	50 mts Butterfly	I
Stuti Gupta, VII A	100 mts Freestyle	III
Gehna Sahni, VIII C	4 x 50 mts Relay	III
Stuti Gupta, VII A		
Khushi Maheshwari, VIII A		
Akshita, IV D		

12th West Delhi Inter School Swimming Championship 2014 was organized in Aquapoint, Kendriya Vidyalaya School, C Block, Janakpuri, on 20.08.2014. **Sarthak Kedar** (VIII C), competing in Boys Group III, secured **2nd position** in 200 mts. Individual Medley (Time 03:12:14) and **3rd position** in 50 mts. Breast Stroke (Time 0:49:05).

HANDBALL

Two of our Handball players, **Meghna Khandwal** (XII B) and **Srijla Bagai** (XII A) have been selected to represent Delhi in the 10th National Beach Handball Championship 2014.

JUDO

Three students of our school won medals at Aadharshila Inter School Judo Tournament 2014 held at Aadharshila Vidyapeeth, Pitampura from 28th April to 30th April.

The medal winners were **Srishty Saxena** (IX E), **Gold Medal** in Below 50Kgs category, **Kriti Gupta** (XII A), **Bronze medal** in Open Weight category and **Shresth Saxena** (VI E) **Bronze Medal** in Below 30 Kgs. Weight category.

SCOUTS & GUIDES CAMP

26 students of our school participated in 'Annual Hindustan Scouts & Guides Training Camp' from 17th - 20th May held at MHDC school, B1 Janakpuri. Students learnt various nuances of scouting and enhanced their skills. This training also inculcated in them a sense of discipline and encouraged their spirit of adventure. Crowning of Rishabh Singh VIIC, as Best Scout and Ridhi Dass VIIC as Best Guide of the year 2014, was the highlight of the event. Kudos to Rishabh and Ridhi!!



Rishabh Singh (Best Scout)



Ridhi Dass (Best Guide)

"I ran and ran everyday and I acquired this sense of determination, this sense of spirit that I would never give up, no matter what else happened."

- Wilma Rudolph

ECO-DECATHLON

Our School organized **Eco-Decathlon** on 21st and 22nd April to coincide with "Earth Day" celebration, to consciously moderate the effect of technology & modernization on the dwindling and fragile eco-systems. The activities included sapling plantation in neighbourhood area, slogan writing, movie shows, power point presentation on Waste Management, life stories of various rivers in India and a visit to the Aravali Biodiversity Park to sensitize our young minds towards preservation of the bounties of nature.

GOONJ

It is well known that thousands of remote village schools lack infrastructure and basic facilities, which are critical for any child during schooling. A **NGO-GOONJ** is involved in finding unique solutions to the problems faced by such schools. Therefore, joining hands with 'GOONJ', students of our school collected re-usable stationary items, books, water bottles, toys & other literary items, as an exercise to practice compassion & true devotion for the lesser privileged and was later on handed over to NGO- 'Goonj'. An endeavour to pledge philanthropy & farsightedness for nurturing nature with humility, which is a part of their 'School to School (S2S)' initiative, thereby addressing the needs of thousands of remote and resource starved villages / slum schools.

MUSKAAN

A visit to **NGO - 'MUSKAAN'** was organized for the members of the Interact Club of Classes IV & V on 2nd May 2014 to sensitize them to the ways in which intellectually disabled cope with life. Our students were taken around various work centres of 'MUSKAAN' by **Ms. Neera Chawla**, Principal of this organisation, where they saw all the activities carried out by the inmates, like baking cakes & cookies, making pickles & squashes, block printing, making stationery items etc. This visit gave our students an experience they would cherish for a long time to come. On return **Ekansh Verma** (V D), moved by the experience penned:

"I learned how the NGO does a great job towards humanity by helping the orphans and helpless people. They give them direction and opportunities to be successful in life like others. It gave me happiness to see them busy- making colours, food items, paper bags etc. I greeted them by giving a hand made card and helped a little by buying their products. I pledge to help such people in my life. I thank my school who brought me to this place where we can share our happiness with disadvantaged sections of our society and be a part of their happiness."

TERI

To achieve greater heights in transforming lives, TERI & TETRA PAK launched Phase-VI of 'PROJECT SEARCH' on April 24th at India Habitat Centre. 15 students of Classes I to IX along with 2 teachers attended the ceremony. School Principal, Ms. Rama Sethi spoke on the experiences and learning the school had as part of the year long association with the project. On this occasion **Ms. Ritu Khurana** was awarded the 'SEARCH-RISING STAR TEACHER' Award as part of the PROJECT SEARCH - 2013-14.

Students from Classes IV-VIII attended TERI & TETRA PAK Initiation Workshop at Tagore International School on 23rd July, and got acquainted with the objectives of 'PROJECT SEARCH'

Phase-VI - The workshop emphasised on sustainable consumption and production and new project - 'Vasundhara' - Transition campaign were discussed.

MEGA CLEANLINESS DRIVE

"The actions of human are the best interpreters of their thoughts...."

As part of Mega Cleanliness Drive week for Clean Delhi - Green Delhi, an initiative of Directorate of Education, GNCT of Delhi, students from Classes IV to X on 12th August took part in a drive to clean neighbourhood areas and make their surroundings dirt free. It was an endeavour to spread awareness; by raising slogans, picking up litter and sweeping the road. Enthused neighbourhood citizens joined the rally, thus made the drive a great success.

SOS (SOS CHILDREN'S VILLAGES)

"When we earn we make a living, when we give we make a life..."

SOS has been an integral part of our lives and we St. Markians believe in the philosophy of 'sharing and caring', especially for those who need us. To put this pious belief into action, the SMS family collected Rs. 3,23,590/- to give a helping hand to the children of SOS villages of India, so that their dreams get wings. The cheque was collected by Mr. Subhadeep Bhattacharya, Sr. Manager - Pan India. Our students of Classes VI to X visited the children of SOS Village, Bawana, on 12th July and got to interact with them and exchange their experiences.



A donation for a cause



Herb wheel - Spice up your kitchen

TREE PLANTATION

'In this age of Quick Fixes and everything artificial---- Nature comes to our rescue'. A "**Herb Wheel**", by planting saplings of various useful and medicinal plants like Basil, Aloe Vera, Ajwain, Lemon Grass, was created, in our school Botanical Garden, by the primary students on 30th July, as part of Tree Plantation Drive.

THE PRAMERICA SPIRIT OF COMMUNITY AWARDS

The Pramerica Spirit of Community Awards is an annual nationwide search to identify and recognize school students who have made a positive difference in the community through voluntary service. In Delhi, an eminent jury panel interviewed the three group finalists and selected one amongst them. A student of our school **Keerathpal Sawhney** (X A), won the Bronze Medal for selfless service towards the betterment of society and also for his proactive role as an Eco-Warrior. All the participants received Certificates of Excellence for their contribution towards uplifting the society.



Keerathpal - The Eco - Warrior

TEACH INDIA PROJECT

Recognizing the need for empowering the youth in India, "**The Times Group**", initiated "Teach India" Project, as part of its Corporate Social Responsibility. The Project focuses on improving the skills of the youth from underprivileged background in Spoken English, in order to enhance their employability, for community out reach and managing their day to day affairs. Fifteen student volunteers participated in the first stage of Orientation Programme at Times House on 19th April 2014.

SALAM BALAK TRUST - Three students of our school Muskan Grover (VIII F), Arya (VII C) and Kriti (VII D) were taken on a visit to 'SALAM BALAK TRUST'- Save the Children Centre, Jigyasa School, Inderlok, on 29th April, where they were exposed to the challenging life of street and working children. Students interacted with the authorities of Jigyasa School and understood how the organization is run and also the routine and curriculum of these underprivileged children.



To teach is great but to inspire is divine

DEBATE COMPETITION

Debating helps the speaker to strengthen communication and convincing skills. During the Debate Competition held on 30th April 2014, students of Classes VII & VIII eloquently debated and expressed their opinion in favour and against the topics to convince the audience their respective point of views. Students of Class VII debated on the topic "Social Networking sites are boon / bane" and Class VIII on "Western Culture done more harm than good to our culture". Best Speaker against the motion was Hardik Sharma (VIII A), Best Speakers for the motion were Anshul Garg (VII D), Bhavya (VIII D) and Ishita Mehta (VIII A).



Eloquence is our forte

READING BEYOND CURRICULUM

The more you read the more things you will know, the more you learn the more places you will go -

A LITERARY SESSION WITH AUTHOR MS. PARO ANAND

To fly in the world of imagination and creativity, the school organized a Story Telling and Book Reading Session - 'WINGLESS' for the enthusiastic and curious minds of standard IV and V, by the distinguished author, **Ms. Paro Anand** on April 11, 2014. The reading session was followed by question- answer session. Ms. Paro Anand captivated the attention of the students and the adults, through her enthralling voice modulation and great sense of humour. It was a mesmerizing, fruitful and wonderful experience, thoroughly enjoyed by the students. The session encouraged the students to inculcate writing and reading habits. The session ended with each student being given a copy of the book autographed by Ms. Paro Anand.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK WEEK

Our school organized the Scholastic Book Fair from 14th July to 19th July, 2014. The fair consisted of books of all tastes and varieties. A lucky draw was taken out, where a student of class V D, Prisha Bajaj won attractive prizes. A story - telling session was also conducted for classes IV and V, on July 16, 2014, as part of the Scholastic Book Week. The session co-ordinator **Ms. Simmi Srivastava** (a life skills trainer & a performing artist) narrated the stories by using puppets & voice modulation. Towards the end students came up with innovative titles for the stories.

Altogether the Book week was a great reading event for everyone to enjoy !



Story telling - Every age has a Story to tell

ENGLISH PLAY COMPETITION

A play is a form of literature written by a playwright, consisting scripted dialogue between characters intended for theatrical performances. The young and budding artists of **Class IV** showcased their talent through acting in the English Play competition held on 2nd August 2014. The themes were Mystery, Haunted House, Jataka Tales, Myths and Legends, and Science Fiction. The following are the winners:

Best Play - The Bishop's Candlesticks, IV B • **Best Actor (Male)** - Ayush Sharma, IV G • **Best Actor (Female)** - Vanshika, IV C

Best Stage Presence - Hardik Khanna, IV F • **Best Dialogue Delivery** - Ishanikaa Saini, IV B

Special Prizes - Gursimar Singh, IV A • Sahej Sahni, IV E



All the World's a stage - Cast of The Best Play



HINDI PLAY COMPETITION

With the aim to nurture acting talents in the students' and also to make them confident - Hindi Play Competition for **Classes VII & IX** was held on 12th July. The plays had socio-centric theme based on the stark contradictions present in the Indian society such as caste system, labour problems etc. Students showcased their hidden talent, potential and won the hearts of the audience.

In **class VII** Free Style Gawahi (VII A & C) was adjudged the Best Play and the Best Actors were - Aniket Goel (VII A), Anshul Garg (VII D), Vansh Sharma (VII E).

Special Prizes were awarded to - Vansh Mahajan (VII A), Aayush Garg (VII C), Parth Madaan (VII F), Harsh Maurya (VII F). From **Class IX** the Best performers were - Aman Sachdeva (IX B), Sahil Nischal (IX B), Abhinav Kumar (IX B), Dhruv Negi (IX B), Karan Anand (IX D).



Our performance stood out

COMPETITIONS

POETRY RECITATION COMPETITION

Emotions and thoughts portrayed through an array of poetic expressions -

Poetry is the essence of literature. It is essentially a rhythmical speech that delights the audience through rhythm, harmony and melody. It instils a sense of aesthetic beauty into young minds.



English Poetry Recitation Competition was held for students of **Class V** on 21st July and for **Class III** on 22nd August. Students recited poems on a variety of topics like Humour, Patriotism, Social Issues, Environmental Awareness, Lyrical Ballads etc. Prize winners were:

First Prize

Manisha Varma, V A
Bhavika Lalwani, III A

Second Prize

Dev Bahl, V A
Maitreyi Mishra, III A

Third Prize

Shrishti Sharma, V B
Drishti Verma, III A

Special Prize

Mishti Ohri, V C
Harleen Kaur, III C

Special Prize

Aaratrika, V E
Diya Chawla, III D



Hindi Poetry Recitation was organized for the students of **Class V** on 21st July and for **Class III** on 22nd August. Students recited poems on various themes such as patriotism, social issues, nature, love, brotherhood etc. Prize winners were:

First Prize

Ojas Oberoi, V A
Simarpreet Kaur, III C

Second Prize

Sanchi Arora, V C
Gauransh Sindhwani, III C

Third Prize

Bhumika Sachdeva, V C
Tushar Kumar Jha, III D

Special Prize

Vansh Malhotra, V B
Ishita Verma, III B

Special Prize

Shreya Arora, V A
Mouli Sharma, III E



CHOCO REINDEER

'Teach A Man To Fish' is a School Enterprise Challenge in which our school has registered itself. This contest was inaugurated by our Principal Ms. Rama Sethi and Vice Principal Ms. Alka Kher on 23rd August 2014. Under this contest, the school students have conceptualized and started the business of making and selling chocolates. The business team comprises of twenty two students of class XI who are managing it and selling chocolates to school children and parents. A variety of chocolates are being sold like choco chips, fruit & nut and butter scotch. The profit of the business will be used for a social cause. This initiative will continue for four months.



Inaugurating Choco Reindeer- The carrier of happiness...

SPIC MACAY

Our School hosted "Sitar Recital Cum Lecture" under the aegis of "Spic Macay" on 17th April. The show commenced with the traditional lighting of lamp. School Principal Ms. Rama Sethi, welcomed the Sitar Recital exponent, **Sh. Shubhendra Rao** and his team of accompanying artists. The performance received much praise from the young audience who were enthralled and spell bound by the impeccable performance of the exponents on the strings of Sitar. Sitar performance was followed by a mesmerizing jugalbandi with Tabla, which kept the audience glued to their place. An informative and & interactive session between students & artists culminated the programme.



Mesmerizing performance

FASHION SHOW

A Fashion Show was organized on 10th May 2014 in our school, wherein our students got a chance to walk on the ramp, while presenting the vibrant traditional Indian attire for **AEC Project 'Wear It Out!'**. They put up a splendid show that could have matched any professional event.



Glimpse of Indian attire

CELEBRATIONS

JANMASHTAMI

To celebrate Janmashtami- birthday of Lord Krishna, students of **Class I** presented a Dance Drama 'Hey Krishna' based on the childhood and youth of Lord Krishna – an incarnation of one of the three Pantheons in Hindu Religion- Lord Vishnu.. Students gave a scintillating performance and won the hearts of everyone. Concluding the celebrations, Aarti of Lord Krishna was performed by the students, staff members and School Management.



Maakhan Chor



Radha Krishna Amour
A Legend For All Times



Gita Updesh

INDEPENDENCE DAY

On the eve of our 68th Independence Day, students of **Class V** saluted the unsung heroes of our freedom struggle, taking everyone on a nostalgic journey of the Cellular Jail in Port Blair – which is inalienably linked to the long and glorious struggle of our revolutionary freedom movement. They presented a wonderful medley of song, dance and drama enacting the plight of the patriots, who raised their voice against the British Raj and were sent to Kaala Pani – where they eventually perished. The students also stressed upon the fact that it is our responsibility to safeguard our hard – fought freedom and take India to newer and greater heights. The event culminated with a high – spirited rally taken out by the participants in the school and neighbourhood areas.



Eulogizing our Martyrs



Celebrating Independence

VISIT TO 'THE INDIAN SCIENCE FESTIVAL'

Around 100 students from **Classes IV to VIII** availed an opportunity to visit 'The Indian Science Festival', at Thyagaraj Sports Complex, on 29th August. They got a hands on experience of making Comets, Rockets, Polymers and enjoyed Bubble mania, Dumpster Challenge, Sound and Tornado Show, Robotics, Aero modelling, etc. Science did enchant the students, as it was difficult to wean them away from the venue.



Bubble Mania



Inhouse Alchemist

TRIP TO NEHRU PLANETARIUM

To enlarge the frontiers of knowledge and enrich young minds, an educational excursion to Nehru Planetarium was organized for the students of **Class V** on 19th August. 'New Solar System', an informative show enlightened the students about the mysteries of the sky. The students also visited the Nehru Museum which ingeniously displays a series of inter-linked exhibition depicting the phases of colonial history as well as the epic story of our struggle for freedom. It was an enriching experience for the students as well as the teachers.

TRIP TO CHAIL, H.P.

Students of our school had their four days of fun and adventure when they visited Chail in Himachal Pradesh from 27th to 30th May. They participated in various adventure activities that made them push individual limits in overcoming fear and accepting hitherto physical challenges. The activities included rock climbing, rappelling, tyro-lens traverse & long rope course. Besides this they also learnt outdoor survival tactics like navigation, back packing, tent pitching etc.

VISIT TO NATIONAL BAL BHAWAN

St. Markians, of **Class I** acquired new vistas of knowledge during their visit to National Bal Bhawan on 30th July. They got familiarised with the Indian history by having a glimpse of Chacha Nehru's life history, reading the lives of various freedom fighters while having Bharat Darshan, thus gaining tremendous insight of our Indian culture and history. They also visited Science Museum and gained few scientific tips. New aquatic facts were revealed to them during the aquarium visit. The students also enjoyed the toy train ride.



Fun Time at Bal Bhawan

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Welcoming AEC members from Poland



Learning Electronics -The Fun Way



Our Proud Skaters



Versatile Performers - World Scholar's Cup



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National Science Olympiad (SOF) - School Toppers



International Mathematics Olympiad (SOF) - School Toppers



International English Olympiad (SOF) - School Toppers



Our Junior Olympiad Winners



Winners of Creative Writing Competition

PICTURE GALLERY



Our Rocket Makers



Mock Fire Drill



Creativity at its best - Art & Craft Day



WE SALUTE OUR UNSUNG HEROES