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## EDITORIAL

When the going gets tough – the tough gets going.

It is always the energetic, enthusiastic and sharp young minds that help accomplish the vision of the senior, experienced advocate of progress. Our nation is now moving towards globalization. The promise of new India by 2022 is not far-fetched anymore. The educated youth is leading the march towards success with the new concept of digitization. Students are tech-savvy and they use it for maximising their horizon. This would help them facilitate others to learn the new concept to lead a comfortable life. If today's sharp minds and yesterday's intelligence and experience join hands, then who can stop the progress of this nation...

Effective guiding torch is the need of the hour to ignite the latent talent in sharp minds of the youth. So, dear students arise, awake and pledge to yourself that you shall abstain from all misdoings and follow the path of hard work, righteousness, and disciplined good behaviour. The Editorial team wishes you good luck for the new academic session.

## FROM OUR EX-PRINCIPAL - Ms. RAMA SETHI

*LIVE YOUR DREAMS TO FIND SUCCESS AND HARD WORK IS THE KEY TO IT...*

Leadership in 21st Century faces many challenges including continuous change, school improvement, decision making, building school community and accountability. Being a Principal I was made responsible to shape up the minds of children, promote academic success and to be sensitive towards the needs of people - which for me was possible only under the able guidance of Mr. T P Aggarwal - a great visionary, Ms. Anjali Aggarwal - my role model, who always motivated and inspired me throughout my administrative career and Mr. Rahul Aggarwal - a good communicator, a flexible thinker and an innovative practitioner. Today, if I look back and see what I have achieved in the past four decades is - Self Satisfaction. In an era of reform I could successfully and effectively lead because of the full support of my seniors and the school management. My hunger for success was fueled by the deep passion I had towards my profession.

Being a people's person I believed in 'OPEN DOOR POLICY' and One to One connect - be it students, parents, teachers or my seniors.

Principals are at the front line of implementing educational change whether it is moving to common core, conducting teacher evaluations and using data to drive learning. **Only a Can-do Attitude enabled me** to make my teachers and students understand the new teaching skills and implementing new strategies. Becoming a school Principal helped me to take my career in education to the next level where I had to fulfill several roles - Role of a disciplinarian, handling student's issues and offering a listening ear to them, updating teachers, innovating new methods of learning, inculcating proper relations between the teachers and students, encouraging team work, daily tasks and even counselling the parents.

When it comes to parent's involvement and support - parents should **value the education imparted by the school teachers and always support the efforts of the school.**

**I get upset** when I know a student has potential to excel but not the motivation to do so. Parents need to contribute their bit for the progress and all round development of their child. We at **Saint Mark's** believe that all children are entitled to be happy in school through love and make every kid feel special. We instill moral values and inculcate confidence in them, in order to contribute to a more peaceful and prosperous world.



*Token of appreciation from mentors*

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*"The function of Education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. Intelligence Plus Character - that is the goal of True Education"*  
- Martin Luther King Jr.



*Best wishes from Management and Staff*



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Greetings to all !

Hearty good wishes to all my dear students.

You all are in the most beautiful phase of life - childhood. Each day is a learning curve - a stepping stone to build your career. Whatever you imbibe shall go a long way not only in moulding your future but also the society where you live and the country at large. So children, choose and decide carefully - your words, your deeds, your temperament and the company you keep. Do respect and follow the advice of your parents and teachers who are your well wishers. In today's world of intense competition, you can be a winner only if you work hard with sincerity and keep yourself abreast with the latest developments across all facets of life.

Take a pledge to learn something new everyday that will take you closer to your dream and make you a better human being - sensitive to the environment, flora and fauna. Nothing is unattainable if you decide to work hard in the right direction. I pray to Almighty for your success in all your endeavours.

Keep you under His loving care always !

Ms. Alka Kher



## CLEANLINESS AWARD



National Institute of Cleanliness Education and Research (NICER) conferred our school with the 'World Cleanliness Educational Award' for areas related to cleanliness, hygiene and sanitation.

## INTERNATIONAL FELICITATION



Women's Agency for Generating Employment conferred the 'World Girl Child Education and Empowerment Award' to our school on the occasion of International Women's Day.

## INTER SCHOOL DEBATE


Our students brought laurels to the school by displaying their oratory might and debating skills in the **21st Inter School Debate Competition** organized by Ramjas Public School. In this competition more than 60 schools from Delhi participated out of which only six teams got selected for the final round. Even though the competition was intense and argumentative, our team won the most coveted **winner's trophy** in both English and Hindi categories. **Karthik M Panikar (XI-C)** and **Samdeesh Mahajan (XI-C)** of our school won the '**Champion's Rolling Trophy**' besides being adjudged as the **Second Best** and **Fourth Best speakers**, respectively, for their individual performances in English Debate Competition. They were awarded with trophy, certificate and cash reward of Rs. 1500/- & Rs. 500/- respectively. In Hindi Debate Competition **Muskan Grover (X-F)** & **Bhavya Gupta (X-E)** won the '**Champion's Rolling Trophy**'. **Muskan Grover** won the **Third Best Speaker Prize** comprising trophy, certificate and cash reward of Rs. 500/-. The efforts of the students and their mentors were appreciated and applauded by Chairman Mr. T P Aggarwal, Manager Mr. Rahul Aggarwal and Principal Ms. Alka Kher.

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Lifting the trophy - Ramjas Inter-School Debate Competition





## FOUNDATION DAY

42nd Foundation Day of our

School was celebrated on 7 January, 2017 with great zeal and enthusiasm. The management, staff, students,

parents and alumni participated to express their love and respect towards the founder Chairman and the school.

The celebration commenced with the hoisting of school flag by the **Founder Chairman Mr. T P Aggarwal**. **Director Ms. Anjali Aggarwal**, **Manager Mr. Rahul Aggarwal** and **Principal of St. Mark's Girls Sr. Sec. Public School, Meera Bagh, Ms. Sheena Kalenga** greeted the guests. Mr. Y P Purang and Mr. L K Rai, members of school management shared several anecdotes related to school with the august gathering. The oldest retired support staff member Mr. Nageshwar was present on the occasion and he shared his memories and experiences amidst emotionally charged atmosphere. Mr. Mittal, one of the oldest parent was also present with his daughter who took admission in the school in 1975, the very year when the school came into existence and he too got overwhelmed while talking about his memories related with school. The atmosphere became electric and exciting when the guests enthusiastically stepped into the arena to participate in various fun filled games specially organized for them. It was followed by cutting of the ceremonial cake by the Chairman Mr. T P Aggarwal and Director Ms. Anjali Aggarwal. Our **Principal, Ms. Alka Kher** conveyed the Management's deep appreciation for the enthusiasm and whole-hearted participation of each and everyone, which made the event a grand success. Everybody enjoyed a sumptuous lunch. It was indeed a nostalgically memorable fun filled day which ended with the promise to meet again.



## INDIA-DENMARK ONLINE EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

Mr. Soren Mikkelsen - Deputy Head Master and Ms. Ditte of Vonsild School, Kolding, Denmark, visited our school to discuss about the ongoing Online Projects between the two schools. They were given a warm welcome by Director Ms. Anjali Aggarwal and Manager Mr. Rahul Aggarwal. They enjoyed the Sports Day in the School and witnessed the Republic Day celebrations. The innovative ideas were shared between Deputy Headmaster of Vonsild School and our Global Project Coordinator Ms. Archana Tyagi. A Memorandum between both the schools was signed by Mr. Soren Mikkelsen and our Principal Ms. Alka Kher which was the precursor for the future 'linkage programmes for Collaboration' for Online Projects.



*Forging new friendships*

## SKYPE SESSION

GVC Secondary Team of our school had another interesting Skype Session on 26 December with the students of Tajrobawi Girls High School, Herat, Afghanistan. The students of both the schools discussed about the different subheadings for their website theme '21st Century Skills' which is in process. The session proved quite significant as it gave a clear picture to the students of both the schools as how to go about the entire theme. Our participants were:

Priti Tiwari XI-A	Rhea Wadhwa, XI-A
Ritika Arya, XI-A	Sonal Tamang, IX-B
Anisha Sahani, X-A	Naman Malhotra, X-A
Nallini Lalwani, X-A	Raj Rajeshwar Singh, X-A
Riya Gulati, X-A	Mankirat Singh Sehra, X-C
Aayush Garg, X-B	Jashandeep Kaur, IX-D



*Interacting with students of Herat School*

Naman Kumar, X-E  
Akshay Kumar, X-F

Sahil Uppal, X-E  
Tushar Garg, IX-F

Shirin Das Gupta, X-E

## VISIT TO LITHUANIAN EMBASSY

Ten students of our school along with Education Supervisor Ms. Inderpreet Kaur Ahluwalia and primary teacher Ms. Ritu Khurana visited the Lithuanian Embassy on 14 January for the **traditional fire kindling ceremony** to celebrate the country's national unity and remembrance of the victims of the Soviet aggression of 13 January 1991. A presentation on the project 'Mission Siberia', which was launched in 2006, was shown. As part of this project, expeditions comprising of youth travel to various locations in Siberia, where thousands of Lithuanian deportees - victims lay buried. The members clean up the cemeteries and restore them. Students who went to Lithuanian embassy were

Dhimant Khuttna, XI-C  
Charanpreet Singh, X-B

Ritik Aggi, IX-D  
Sahil Nischal, XI-A

Tapsi Goyal, IX-D  
Ishita Dhir, XI-A

Tanya Gupta, IX-E  
Riddhi Das, IX-C

Vansh Mahajan, IX-D  
Anish Panjwani, IX-D



*Visiting Lithuanian Embassy*



## INDO - LITHUANIA EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

In the second phase of Indo-Lithuania Cultural Exchange Programme 8 students from Radviliškio Lizdeikos Gymnasium, Radviliskis, Lithuania alongwith their teacher coordinators Ms. Skirmante Petraitiene, Vice Principal and Ms. Grazina Vasiliauskiene visited our school from 25 to 31 January. In tune with the graceful Indian hospitality, our esteemed guests were given a befitting welcome. The visiting delegates witnessed the musical and cultural extravaganza presented by the students of Class VIII during Republic Day Celebration on 25 January and they thoroughly enjoyed it. Our Lithuanian guests showcased a Lithuanian wedding ceremony, which was in three parts -first two parts by way of enactments on stage and third part through a detailed video presentation. A meeting with the Lithuanian Ambassador to India H.E. Mr. Laimonas Talat Kelpsa was arranged for both the host and the visitors. Our guests were taken on a conducted sightseeing tour of Delhi-visiting places of worship and historical places. The visit to one of the seven wonders of the world - Taj Mahal at Agra was icing on the cake, where our guests got to familiarize the inspiration behind the Monument coming into existence. It also provided an impetus to both partners of the exchange programme to explore even deeper into each other's culture and heritage during the course of future exchange visits.



At the Embassy



Keep the lamp burning



Being in step-A dance session for visitors



Lithuanian wedding rituals



A friendly match



Sharing our recipe



Friends forever



## INDO-POLAND EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

In the first week of December a group of 9 students of Zespól Szkół - Lubliniec, Poland, led by School's Director Joanna Walczak and the Teacher Coordinator Ms. Monika Ziaja visited our school under the Cultural and Educational Exchange Programme. They were given a traditional and warm welcome by our School Chairman Mr. T P Aggarwal, Director Ms. Anjali Aggarwal, Manager Mr. Rahul Aggarwal and School Principal, Ms Alka Kher. As a mark of remembrance mementos were presented to their Project Coordinators. The Exchange Programme included conducted city tour to places of worship and historical places of Delhi. The exchange enriched the students with a global outlook and gave them loads of memories to carry back.



Our Chairman honouring Director Ms. Joanna Walczak



Lighting the lamp



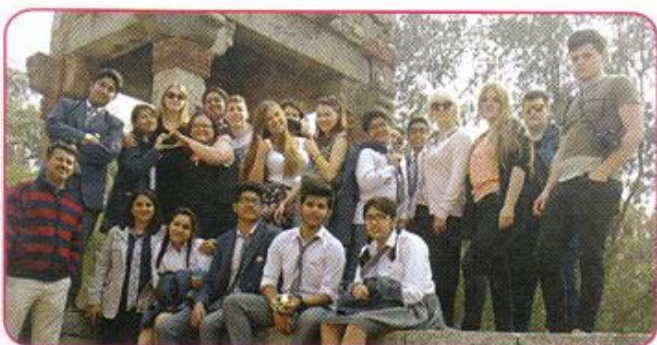
The big fat Indian Wedding Ceremony



Polish wedding rituals



A day in the Indian Kitchen



Local Sightseeing



Welcoming the delegates



## GLOBE WALK

"If we are to preserve culture we must continue to rejuvenate it"

Students of Classes I to V collaborated to organize a spectacular exhibition 'GLOBE WALK' on 4 February. The aim was to provide a panoramic view of landmarks, culture, cuisines of various countries adopted by these classes through colourful live and static models, cutouts, collages, wall illustrations and charts. The countries depicted were India, Japan, Russia, United Kingdom, Germany, France, USA, Mexico, Brazil and South Africa. The exhibition was enlightening and educative for both the students and the visiting parents'. Our Director Ms. Anjali Aggarwal quizzed the students who were explaining their exhibits to visitors and provided them more in-depth information, which value added their quest to gain knowledge. The parents visiting each room were overawed by the standard of the exhibits on display and information thereon disseminated by the students. They eagerly penned motivating comments in the feedback forms.









## ON THE SPOT PAINTING - PRIZE DISTRIBUTION CEREMONY

**17th Inter School On the Spot Painting Competition** 'Celebration of Life on Earth - now and hereafter' organized on 26 November 2016 had a grand culmination on 20 December, when the Prize Distribution Ceremony was held in the precincts of our school. It was the 17th time, that creative imagination was rightfully judged with students of various schools from Delhi and international platforms being felicitated at various levels individually and group wise based on points. At the **junior level the Rolling Trophy was awarded to Shishu Bharati Shikshayatan, Karol Bagh** while the trophy for **Seniors was bagged by Delhi Police Public School, Safdarjung Enclave**. The trophy for **Collage** was bagged by **St. Mark's Sr.Sec.Public School, Janakpuri** but the trophy was passed on to **Modern Public School, B.M. Block, Shalimar Bagh** as the host school does not keep the trophy.

**International Online Painting Competition** which had received very good participation yielded prizes for students from **Denmark, Hungary, Phillipines & Poland viz 1st, 2nd & 3rd prizes while participants from Croatia & Malaysia bagged Consolation Prizes respectively**. Teachers from various participating schools and parents of our students were also awarded prizes for their interpretations of 'Celebration of Life' through their nuanced objectivity. Parents Mr. Raj Kumar, Ms. Charu Bassi, Ms. Anita Gupta were awarded 1st, 2nd & 3rd Prizes while Ms. Sonu Mehra, Ms. Kanchan Nanda, Mr. Vinod Kumar were given consolation prizes.

**Director Ms. Anjali Aggarwal, Manager Mr. Rahul Aggarwal and Principal Ms. Alka Kher** awarded the prizes to the winners. The whole event was to remind the young artists that the world of imagination is boundless and that they should explore & disseminate the beauty of every luminosity to excel in this field of evolution. The following students of our school won the prizes :

**Second Prize** Ekansh Verma, VII-D

**Third Prize** Aditi Pandey, IX-C

**Consolation Prize**

Manal, I-A

Vansh Kumar, VII-D

Naman Kumar, X-A

Pralehpreet Singh, IV-A

Jashandeep Kaur, IX-C

Harshit Dubey, V-B

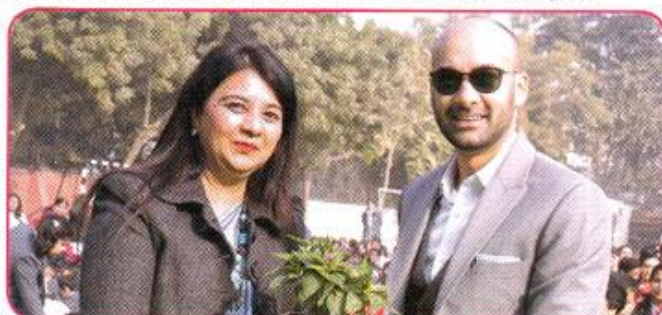
Isha Gupta, XII-C

Suhani, VI-E

As part of the Inter school On the Spot Painting Competition, Collage Making was also organised by our school. **Harshita Mathur (XI-D) & Aastha Jain (XI-A)** won First Prize in the XI-XII category and **Namish (X-C) & Anshul (X-A)** won third Prize in the IX-X category.



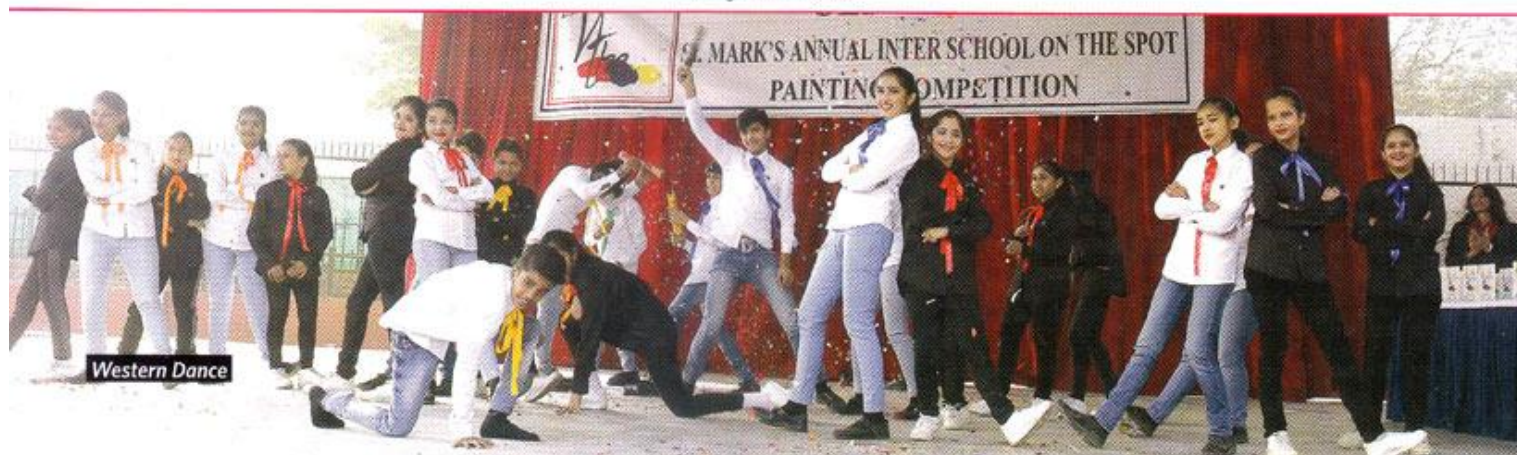
Welcoming Director, Ms. Anjali Aggarwal



Welcoming Manager, Mr. Rahul Aggarwal



Swagatam Dance



Western Dance



STUDENT'S CORNER



Our Painting Competition spreads worldwide, gets media coverage in BAJAI TV Channel, HUNGARY



Shishu Bharti Shishyatan, Karol Bagh with Rolling Trophy for Juniors



Modern Public School, Shalimar Bagh with Rolling Trophy for Collage Making



Delhi Police Public School, Safdarjung Enclave with Rolling Trophy for Seniors

PARENT'S CORNER



Mr. Roj Kumar;  
F/o Vansh Nasa (V-E)



Ms. Anita Gupta;  
M/o Saumya Gupta (VIII-D)



Ms. Sonu Mehra;  
M/o Mansha Mehra (III-A)



Ms. Kanchan Nanda;  
M/o Krishiv Nanda (III-A)





Ekanash Verma, VII  
St. Mark's Sr. Sec. Public School, Janakpuri



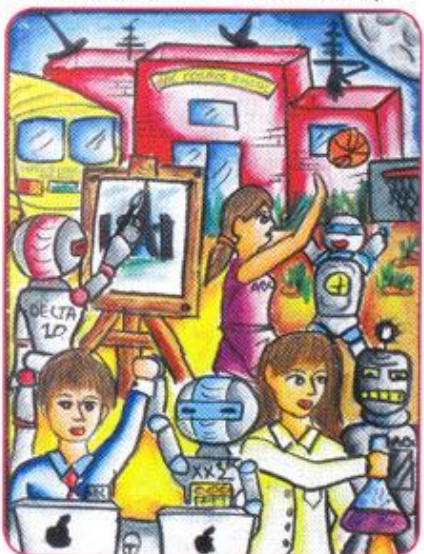
Aditi Pandey, IX  
St. Mark's Sr. Sec. Public School, Janakpuri



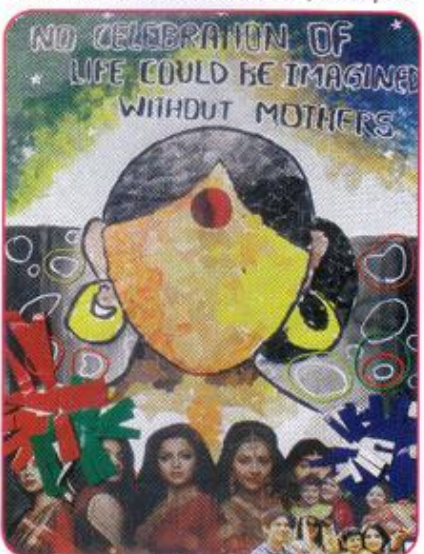
Sub Junior Student, Denmark  
Vonsild School



Aastha Jain & Harshita Mathur, XI-XII  
St. Mark's Sr. Sec. Public School, Janakpuri



Naman Kumar, X  
St. Mark's Sr. Sec. Public School, Janakpuri



Namish & Anshul, IX-X  
St. Mark's Sr. Sec. Public School, Janakpuri



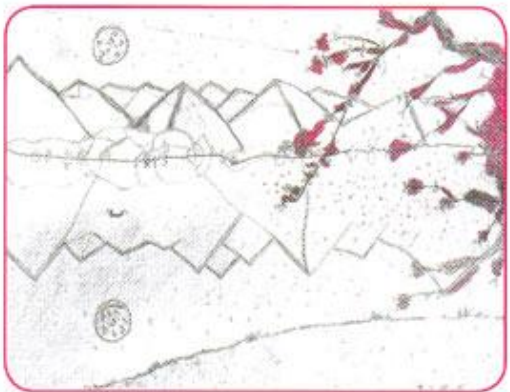
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Lorma Colleges Basic Education Department



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Bela III Grammar School



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Lorma Colleges Basic Education Department



Bartosz Planeta  
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## हिन्दी दिवस

हिन्दी भाषा राष्ट्र की भाषा  
प्रजातंत्र के शास्त्र की भाषा

हमारी राष्ट्र भाषा के उपलक्ष्य में 'हिन्दी दिवस' प्रतिवर्ष 14 सितंबर को मनाया जाता है।

हमारे विद्यालय में इसे कक्षा तृतीय-सी के विद्यार्थियों ने इसे विशेष संयोजन के रूप में मनाया। छोटे-छोटे प्रसंगों के रूप में छात्रों ने हिन्दी भाषा की विशेषताओं के बारे में हमें अवगत करवाया जैसे -

देवनागरी है इसकी लिपी,

संस्कृत है इसकी जननी,

हर साहित्य की है ज्ञाता,

सुंदर सरल है इसकी भाषा।

छात्रों ने एक हास्य कविता गोष्ठी का आयोजन भी किया। अंत में छात्रों ने हिन्दी दिवस पर मधुर गीत का गायन किया।

## हिन्दी काव्य पाठ प्रतियोगिता

## निबंध लेखन प्रतियोगिता

राष्ट्रभाषा विकास परिषद की ओर से 28 दिसंबर 2016 को सेंट मार्क्स विद्यालय में निबंध व सुलेखन प्रतियोगिता आयोजित की गई जिसमें पहली से लेकर दसवीं कक्षा तक के छात्रों ने भाग लिया।

जिन छात्रों को आदर्श विद्यार्थी पुरस्कार से सम्मानित किया गया उनके नाम हैं

क) नव्या शर्मा - पांचवी एफ

ख) याशिका डावर - दसवीं ई

ग) किशुक चावला - आठवीं सी

बारिश की बूँदें भले ही छोटी हो...

लेकिन उनका लगातार बरसना

बड़ी नदियों का बहाव बन जाता है...

वैसे ही हमारे छोटे-छोटे प्रयास भी  
जिंदगी में बड़ा परिवर्तन ला सकता है...



काव्य भाषा का सुंदर रूप है तथा भावों की अभिव्यक्ति का एक उत्तम साधन है। एक कवि की कल्पना की कोई सीमा नहीं होती। हमारे विद्यालय की कक्षा 1 व 2 के छात्रों की काव्य पाठ प्रतियोगिता का आयोजन 14 व 15 फरवरी 2017 को किया गया।

निम्नलिखित विद्यार्थियों को प्रोत्साहन हेतु पुरस्कृत किया गया।

प्रथम	द्वितीय	तृतीय	विशेष पुरस्कार	विशेष पुरस्कार
कक्षा 1 प्रिया-1ए	मनल-1ए	रुद्रांश-1बी	निमित-1सी	लक्षविन्दर-1ई
कक्षा 2 आकृति चमोली-2सी	समृद्धि-2बी	पार्थ श्रीवास्तव-2ए	अनन्या कुमारी-2एफ	आरुषि गर्ग-2ए



द्वितीय कक्षा के विजयी छात्र एवम् छात्राएं





## SPORTS

### SKATING

Our students competed in the **Pusa Roller Skating Championship** held at Pusa Institute Faculty Club on 05 February. In Quads(300M) Category **Aryan Gandhi (VIII-D)** won **First Prize** and **Kartik (VI-C)** secured **Third prize**.

**Dynamic Roller Skating Championship** was held in Dwarka Sports Complex, Sector 11 on 24 January. **Utkarsh (IX-C)** secured **Second prize** Inline (500M) Category and **Aryan (VIII-D)** secured **Third prize** In Quads (300M) Category.

### HANDBALL

Our school Handball teams (U-19 and U-14) participated in the **Inter Zonal Handball Tournament** held at FU-Block, Pitampura from 6 December to 16 December 2016. Both the teams won the tournament and were awarded cash prize of Rs 5000/- each and trophy. The winning team members of **U-19** category were: Anjali Solanki (XII-A); Harshita Joshi (XII-C); Darpan Goyal (XII-E); Achint Kaur (XI-A); Ciceilia M.Thomas (XII-B); Muskan Kandwal (X-C); Nimisha Setia (X-E); Shagun Kumari (X-E); Rhythm (XI-E); Dhvani Kochhar (IX-B); Janvi Kalra (IX-D)

The winning team members of **U-14** category were: Sania Singh (VIII-F); Khushi Kandwal (VIII-C); Shagun Shukla (VII-C); Deepika (VII-A); Ananya Gupta (VIII-E); Shruti Kandwal (VIII-B); Palak (VII-A); Yamini Solanki (VIII-C); Bhavya Juneja (VIII-D); Yashika (VII-A)

**62nd National School games for Under 19** was held at FU-Block Pitampura, Delhi from 2 January to 8 January. Five students of our school represented Delhi state Handball team in the tournament. The Delhi state Handball team won **1st position**. Students who participated were: Ciceilia M Thomas (XII-B); Anjali Solanki (XII-A); Harshita Joshi (XII-C); Darpan Goyal (XII-E); Achint Kaur (XI-A)

**62nd School Games for Under 17** was held at Devanahalli, Bengaluru from 4 January to 8 January. Three students of our school represented Delhi state Handball team in the tournament. The Delhi state Handball team won **3rd position**. Each participant was rewarded with cash prize of Rs 7000. Our students who participated were: Nimisha Setia (X-E); Shagun Kumari (X-E); Muskaan Kandwal (X-C)

**'Khelo India' National Tournament** was held at SAI centre Gandhinagar, Gujarat from 27 January to 1 February. Three girls from our school were selected to represent Delhi state Handball team. Delhi team secured fourth position. Our students who participated were Nimisha Setia (X-E); Shagun Kumari (X-E); Muskaan Kandwal (X-C)

The following students participated in **National Handball tournament**, which was held at Mahasamund, Chhattisgarh from 4 December to 8 December and their team secured 4th position: Sania Singh (VIII-F); Yamini Solanki (VIII-C); Shruti Kandwal (VIII-B); Ananya Gupta (VIII-E); Khushi Kandwal (VIII-C)

**West District Zonal Competition for U -14 Boys** was held in our school premises and the team won the **third position**. The members were Tushar Mahna (VIII-D); Chayan Sehgal (VIII-D); Milind Sharma (VIII-D); Aman Rajput (VIII-C); Aryan Singh (VIII-C); Bigot Singh (VIII-A); Dev Solanki (VIII-F); Yash Solanki (VIII-F); Anshu Kumar (V-F); Sagar Singh (VI-E); Ankush (VI-B); Abhishek (VI-A); Aditya (VI-B); Ansh (VI-C); Anurag (VI-B).

**West District Zonal Competition for U -17 Boys** was held in our school premises and the team won the **first position**. The members were Deepanshu Solanki (IX-F); Lakshay Sandal (X-F); Bharat Malik (X-D); Keshav Mahna (IX-B); Anirudh Rajput (IX-E); Ishu Singh (IX-B); Riyansh Prakash (VIII-C); Rakshit (X-C); Samarth Khera (IX-B) and Mayank Thakur (VIII-C).

## WORKSHOPS

### EMBRACING NEW TECHNIQUES

Mrs. Inderpreet Kaur Ahluwalia Education Supervisor (Middle) attended the 'National Summit of School Principals' organized by Institute of Counsellor Training Research and Consultancy on 15 December 2016 at India Habitat Centre. The theme of the Conference was "Principalship in the New Millennium - Challenges". Eminent speakers spoke about changing landscape of school education and the challenges faced by the school leadership in the rapidly changing educational environment. Technical session focused on the strategy and practices of school leadership and role of guidance based education and counselling to overcome these problems.



Mrs. Inderpreet Ahluwalia attending the meeting

### IVECA LIVE CLASS

In today's time, where technology is required at every step, the students of Classes VI and VII got an opportunity to engage in IVECA Virtual Class room which is an online portal. IVECA gave a chance to our students to connect with students of Bellow's Free Academy, Vermont, USA on 31 January, 2017. The session started with the teachers and students of both schools introducing themselves. Students of both schools gave presentations on the topic 'World Cultural Tour' followed by OX Quiz, Inter-Cultural performances, which included songs, dances and costumes and gave an insight to the cultures of both countries. Farewell letters were read by students to bid adieu to their partners. Principal Ms. Alka Kher, St.Mark's School, Janakpuri and Principal Mr. Thomas Walsh, BFA appreciated the projects undertaken by both the schools and extended their best wishes for all their future endeavours.



Participants of IVECA Virtual Class



## GEARING UP TO EXCEL IN BUSINESS STUDIES

A workshop 'Gearing up to Excel in Business Studies' for Class XII was conducted on 16 December by renowned author and resource person Sh. R K Mahajan. He gave tips to the students on attempting question paper, handling case studies, etc. He clarified their concepts and briefed on differentiating between confusing concepts. He also motivated the students with a couple of motivational videos. Sh. Mahajan has been associated with Commerce Teachers Foundation (CTF), as a resource person and executive member.

## IN SERVICE TRAINING

### Importance of Happiness

The phrase was aptly exemplified in the lively and fun loving interaction cum workshop on 13 January, conducted by Dr. Rajiv Sharma, alumni of our school. He is a psychiatrist, specialist in dealing with depression, anxiety and stress management.

Dr. Rajiv explained an easy and simple way to a happy, healthy and successful life, through pictorial presentations. He gave a detailed roadmap for monetary savings to secure our future. He enumerated various aspects of being happy and healthy. During the course of discussion he busted various myths associated to a healthy life. Resource person emphasised on having a healthy diet which includes organic and raw food items.

He cited his example of being a marathon runner, who has participated in numerous races, to motivate all the participating teachers to adopt his healthy lifestyle in order to stay happy. His happy go lucky and down to earth approach to life won a lot of appreciation from the participants.



*Ring in 'Happiness' factor*

### Yoga

#### 'Healthy mind in a healthy body'

As a part of In Service Teacher Training, teachers of our school participated in a Yoga Session conducted by a renowned Yoga practitioner Mr. Himmat Singh on 14 January. The session commenced with warm-up exercises followed by various Yogic asanas namely Surya Namaskar, Pranayam, Bhujang Asan, Dhanur Asan, Shav Asan and Bandhs. The session proved to be really beneficial for the teachers and led them to realise the importance of yoga to lead a stress free and healthy life.



*Yoga Session in progress*

### Meet The Author

**"The true alchemists do not change lead into gold...they change the world into words."**

The pleasant morning of 14 January brought with it an opportunity for the faculty members of our school to meet one of the renowned wordsmiths who had portrayed our beautiful world through his awe-inspiring words. It was an over-whelming experience for the teachers to have a 'Talk' with Mr. Inder Raj Ahluwalia, one of the most honoured and prolific travel writers, whose punch line is:

**"Travelling leaves you speechless...then turns you into a storyteller."**

He is a renowned travel writer who has been crowned with several International and National awards. Being a prolific writer and a storyteller himself, he shared his inspiring experiences with the teachers and shared anecdotes from his journey as a traveller. The teachers asked him several questions and discussed the journey of the travel writer's life. After the 'Talk' the teachers bought the autographed copies of his famous book 'Meet me at the Border'.

## CBSE WORKSHOP

A workshop conducted by Prabhaav Learning Pvt. Ltd. held on 21 January at Green Park on the topic 'Framing Value based question papers' was attended by teachers Ms. Manisha Kapoor and Ms. Seema Ohri. The workshop was meant to benefit the participants in framing questions that incorporate values and help the educators to expand their capabilities in delivering to the best of their knowledge. The main point discussed in the workshop was the concept of incorporating value-based questions in question papers of all main subjects, as introduced by CBSE recently. Emphasis was laid on the desirable good qualities that a student should possess. The purpose of value-based questions is to make students aware of how 'values' are required in analysis of different situations and how students need to recognize the importance of these values in their daily life.

## SANSKRIT WORKSHOP

A Sanskrit workshop was conducted by Manav Rachna Publications at N K Bagrodia School, Sec 4 Dwarka on 24 December. Ms. Saroj Gulati was the Resource person. The workshop focused on making Sanskrit language more interesting and easier for the students to grasp. The teachers recited poetry, enacted skits and narrated stories to make learning of Sanskrit more joyful for the students. Ms. Usha Lall and Ms. Suman Vashisht participated in the workshop and they had a very enriching experience. Also, at the end of the workshop the teachers were given certificates by the organizers.

## GRAMMAR THROUGH STORY TELLING

A workshop on the topic "Grammar through Story Telling" was conducted on 28 January by Ms. Neelam Narang in collaboration with Scholastic for Primary and middle wing English teachers. The main focus of the workshop was to familiarise effective techniques of integrating grammar while teaching the language. Teachers were given strategies and techniques on an inductive approach for teaching grammar through stories for better concept development. The workshop helped in providing the potential to acquire knowledge about the language by giving teachers a framework to understand the link between play-way and activities method. This is the most effective way to induce learning since seeing is believing and doing is retaining. Overall the workshop was motivational, inspiring, communicative and effective. It was an enlightening experience for all the participants.



## WORKSHOPS

### COMBATING NON-COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

A workshop was conducted at Sir Ganga Ram Hospital for the teachers and students on the topic "Combating Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs) at an early Age" by HRIDAY, Public Health Foundation of India (PHFI), NCD Child-GRHospital, Indian Academy of Paediatrics (IAP) and the Association for Adolescent and Child Care in India (AACCI). The aim of the workshop was to motivate schools to adopt health promoting policies through initiatives to follow healthy lifestyles on preventing NCDs from early age in school. The workshop was quite motivating as it suggested various methods to be followed to combat obesity, Hypertension, Respiratory diseases etc. which may occur later in the lives of school children. Teacher Ms. Rosy Marwah and Aksha Anujan, a student of VIII D attended this workshop.

### 9TH NATIONAL SEMINAR ON PEACEFUL USES OF ATOMIC ENERGY 2017

United Schools Organization in collaboration with Department of Atomic Energy, Mumbai organized the 9th National Seminar on Peaceful Uses of Atomic Energy for schools on 9 and 10 February at USO House, New Delhi. The main aim of this two days seminar was to make everyone understand the importance of peaceful uses of Atomic Energy which is of key importance in the development of the country and to bring awareness among school students by incorporating different activities in school program. The eye opening key address by Mr. Ravi Shankar, the Head of Public Awareness Division of DAE, Mumbai dispelled many myths related to this tremendously powerful source of energy. The seminar worked as a great platform in bringing school teachers and leading scientists together to exchange knowledge on this subject. Teachers Ms. Anupam Ganesh and Mr. A P Dubey attended the seminar with the aim to understand the relevance and implications of Nuclear Energy in today's time.



At the Seminar

### HRIDAY-SHAN

HRIDAY is collaborating with the World Health Organization in undertaking a key project on 'Emerging Form of Tobacco use and Legal framework for its regulation,' understanding the potential hazardous impact of e-cigarettes and hookahs specially in young generation. A focused group discussion with our school teachers was conducted by Ms. Prachi Kathuria, coordinator from HRIDAY on 16 February. The aim of the discussion was to gauge perceptions of multiple stakeholders such as parents, teachers & youth on e-cigarettes and hookahs and to develop strategy to empower and build capacity to identify direct and indirect advertising and promotion of these items at selling points. The focused group discussion was informative and relevant in bringing in awareness about the potential dangers of these hazardous substances. A brief capacity building session was also taken up with selected group of boys and girls as future youth health ambassadors. A brain storming discussion was taken up with them on how the tobacco industry targets the young children to initiate them into using e-cigarettes and hookahs and their such like strategies. The aim was to build their self efficacy skills to identify and thwart misleading practices. A few students conducted a survey in the local market for monitoring sale and advertising of these hazardous tobacco products for observation and feedback. Aadhy Arora (X-E); Shirin Dasgupta (X-E); Rishabh Singh (X-A); and Sanyam Grover (X-A) took part in the monitoring session.

### JOURNEY OF A BOOK

Ms. Pritika from Scholastic India conducted a workshop, organised as part of Book Week activity, for students of Class VI on December 01, 2016. The resource person stated "Everyone has a book inside them but how do you get it out!", is the predicament. To explain she took help of an illustrative PPT presentation titled 'from a "thought" to a complete 'book''. The journey begins with an idea 'germinating' in the author's mind. Then he presents the story to the publisher, where the editor reads the manuscript and decide whether they would like going to publish it as a book. Once the publishers says yes, the author signs an official contract. The editor, the marketing manager, the designer, the sales manager and the production manager all get involved in the publishing house. After deciding the cover design and illustrations added, the story comes to life. At the printer's desk, the sheets of paper are folded, gathered, bound inside the cover and trimmed to the right size. And now!! The story has 'hatched' into a real book!! The books are packed and delivered to various stores from where everyone can buy the book. Overall it was a very informative session for the students and added a lot of new words to their vocabulary.

### UNIVERSITY OF PETROLEUM & ENERGY STUDIES

Teachers Ms. Ruchika Paul and Ms. Anushree Ghai from our school participated in the workshop conducted by UPES (University of Petroleum & Energy Studies) on 19 December. The purpose of the workshop was to address the issue of bridging the gap between the skills of the modern graduates and the ones sought by the employers. The first part of the session was conducted by the Director group HR, JINDAL STEEL AND POWER LTD, Mr. Rajeev Bhaduria. He emphasized the importance of understanding that the newer courses will evenge and the modern learners must prepare themselves for not just academics but also a flexible personality which will help them to adjust to the changing trends. The second session was taken by Mr. Rituraj Juneja (Director; career services; UPES) who further discussed the specific skills required to prepare for the future/ digitalized society and the newer avenues to choose as a career.

### ENERGY CONSERVATION AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT

A sensitization workshop on 'Energy Conservation And Disaster Management' was conducted in our school on 16 December by 'Tata Power Club Energy'. The students of Eco Club from Classes VI to VIII attended the workshop. The resource person, Ms. Parminder Kaur explained the importance of energy conservation with the help of a power point presentation. Various steps of disaster management were also discussed during the workshop. It helped creating awareness amongst students about the importance of energy conservation. All students were asked to calculate the energy consumption in their respective houses as a follow up activity. The workshop was very informative and interesting. Students thoroughly enjoyed the session.

### CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMME

A Capacity Building Programme on Accountancy was held on 26 & 27 December 2016 at CBSE Centre of Excellence, Gurgaon. Resource persons Mr. S.S. Sehrawat, Retired Deputy Commissioner, K.V.S and Ms Sugandh Sharma, Additional Director, CBSE, explained the techniques to improve teaching, preparation of Question Paper Design, Concept Building and Application of Concepts. It was attended by teacher Ms Vandana Shah.



## सूरज का उदय

देखो सूरज नित्य-नियम से  
किरणों से नहलाता है।  
और चाँद भी नील गगन से,  
शीतलता पहुँचाता है।

नदियाँ भी इठलाकर कहतीं  
चाहे पी लो जितना पानी।  
और बौंटती धरती माता,  
हरे खेत को चूर धानी।

कुहू-कुहू की तान सुरीली,  
कोयल रोज सुनाती है।  
कलरव करने धिड़िया रानी,  
रोज सवेरे आ जाती है।

अंधकार को दूर भगाकर  
कर देता दीपक उजियारा।  
फूल खिलकर अपनी खुशबू से,  
महका देते उपवन सारा।

मीठे फल और छाया देने,  
पेड़ सदा झुक जाते हैं।  
बादल भी लाकर के पानी,  
सबकी प्यास बुझाते हैं।

परोपकार का जीवन इनका,  
सचमुच बड़ा महान है।  
खुशियाँ बाँटे सारे जग को,  
वही सच्चा इन्सान है।

अधिका अग्रवाल, 8-सी

## अंत या शुरुआत

क्यों बूंदें बरसती हैं  
धरती से मिलने को तरसती हैं  
या आकाश से बिछुड़ने पर कलपती हैं  
क्यों बूंदें बरसती हैं - 2  
आकाश से निकल कर ये  
धरती से ऐसे मिल जाती हैं  
जैसे ये सिर्फ धरती से मिलने ही आती हैं  
फूलों, पत्तों, धर की छतों पर आकर बस जाती हैं  
खोती है अपना वजूद, पर फिर भी मुसकुराती हैं  
क्यों बूंदें बरसती हैं - 2  
पानी वो भी है जो आकाश से आता है  
और पानी वो भी है जो आखों में समाता है  
दोनों ही अपने घर से निकल कर अपना अस्तित्व खो देते हैं  
लोगों को लगता है कि वो हैंसते हैं  
पर वो अपनी किस्मत का शोक मनाते हैं  
इसी तरह हम भी, अपनी जिंदगी बिताते हैं  
सबको लगता है कि हम जीते हैं  
पर हम अपना एक-एक लम्हा काटे जाते हैं  
चाहते हैं मुक्ति पर इस से निकल ही नहीं पाते हैं  
ऐसे ही कटते-कटते एक दिन सब को अलविदा कह जाते हैं।  
फिर कुछ नहीं रहता  
कुछ दिन अपने याद करते हैं  
फिर धीरे-धीरे वो भी भूल जाते हैं  
इतनी बड़ी सच्चाई जानते हुए भी फिर जिंदगी जिए जाते हैं।

लखित गाँधी, 4-एफ

## पानी

पानी, पानी, पानी, पानी  
जीवन का आधार है पानी।  
गर्मी से राहत दिलवाता  
हर प्राणी की प्यास बुझाता  
अकुलाहट को दूर भगाता  
सबको निर्मल स्वच्छ बनाता।  
पानी, पानी, पानी, पानी  
धरती का श्रृंगार है पानी।  
बादल बन अमृत बरसाता  
बन झरना यह सबको भाता  
नदियाँ बन यह कल कल गाता  
सीप का यह मोती बन जाता।  
पानी, पानी, पानी, पानी  
सबका पालनहार है पानी।  
पेड़ों को हरियाली देता  
जीवों को जीवन  
धरती को खुशहाली देता  
करता सबको पावन।  
पानी बचाओ, पानी बचाओ  
वरना एक दिन आएगा  
जब पानी ना बच पाएगा  
धरती का हर प्राणी  
पानी पानी चिल्लाएगा।  
जसप्रीत कौर, 8-ए

## बचपन

जब हम बच्चे थे, थोड़े कच्चे थे।  
थोड़े कच्चे थे, पर अच्छे थे ॥  
थोड़ी नादानी, थोड़ी शैतानी।  
थोड़ी मनमानी, थोड़ी खींचातानी ॥  
थोड़ा शोर, थोड़ा जोर।  
थोड़ा रंग, थोड़ी उमंग ॥  
जब हम बच्चे थे, थोड़े कच्चे थे।  
थोड़े कच्चे थे, पर अच्छे थे ॥  
कभी फटी पैट, कभी खुला बटन।  
कभी किसी की धुलाई बनके फैंटम ॥  
कभी धूप से यारी, कभी बारिश छपाक।  
कभी पेड़ पर चढ़ना, कभी गिरना थपाक ॥  
जब हम बच्चे थे, थोड़े कच्चे थे।  
थोड़े कच्चे थे, पर अच्छे थे ॥  
श्रेष्ठ मंगा, 4-बी

## बेटियाँ

चिड़िया की झुंड सी चहचहाती है बेटियाँ  
पगड़डियों पर नीले-पीले आचल उड़ाती हैं बेटियाँ,  
आँगन की तुलसी बन घर को महकाती हैं बेटियाँ।  
पानी सी निर्मल-स्वच्छ नज़र आती हैं बेटियाँ,  
प्रायल की आवाज़ सी गुनगुनाती हैं बेटियाँ।  
हँसते हुए सबका मन बहलाती हैं बेटियाँ,  
किसी भी मकान को घर बनाती हैं बेटियाँ।  
अदिति सिंह, 7-सी







## OUR COUNTRY

Our country is a country of diverse religions, cultures and traditions. People of different religions and communities live together in harmony. Our country has a very rich heritage; also it has a variety of cuisines. Our country is also a famous land of festivals. I am proud of my nation and I love my country a lot.

*Yashvi Goel, IV -D*

## TIME

To waste your time,  
Is the biggest crime,  
Time and tide waits for none,  
So don't waste your time in just having fun  
Hands of clock on and on they go,  
Not waiting for what you suppose  
Time once wasted never come back  
So it's better for you to be on track  
Time comes with hardships and pain  
And then goes off from us again  
Time is supreme, time is gain  
Which decides when its sunny and when it rains  
Time is a thing that leads us to darkness and lets us shine  
Time is a thing that I can't define.

*Mayank Madaan, V-B*

## FRIENDSHIP

Friendship is all about trust  
This need to be strong as the Earth's crust  
This relationship doesn't need any class,  
It's a life exam which needs only understanding to pass  
It maybe too fresh or too old,  
But whatever it is, it's precious as gold  
Sweet things like conversation late at night  
It changes your life to a colorful rainbow from  
Boring black and white  
However some people can't understand it's fragrance  
When they lose it they realize its importance  
So to have a happy and good life,  
You need friends who will stop you from picking up the knife.

*Mayank Madaan, V-B*

## OVERNIGHT

I peeked through my door  
To find sweaters of snow  
Snuggled in spruces  
That seemed to grow  
In darkness as I dreamed  
Last auto winter night  
Someone flicked a switch  
And orange turned white.

The session began,  
And so did the exam  
In the middle of the session,  
We had some exams  
At last the session ended,  
But that also with exams  
Exams ! Exams ! Exams  
Oh! These dreadful exams  
Our school session begins  
And ends with exams  
Exams ! Exams ! Exams  
The big devil of exams  
Is making us mad  
And dull and sad  
The necessary evils of exams  
Is building up like dams  
Blocking our freedom  
To sing and dance  
Exams ! Exams ! Exams  
These terrifying exams  
When will they end ?  
Just tell me when ?  
*Chirag Kapoor, IV-A*

## A POEM FOR MOM

When I think of you,  
I remember flower's fragrance  
You are better than rest,  
Mom you are the best  
Your kindness gives loving care,  
To us and our hearts  
When I think of you,  
I think of your kindness and your love  
Being a mother is hard  
That's all I gather  
*Bhavya Gulati, IV-C*



## NATIONAL SCIENCE OLYMPIAD

Students of Classes I-VIII participated in the 19th SOF National Science Olympiad (Level I) and the following were the prize winners

<b>GOLD MEDAL</b>	Navya Pandey, I-A	Lakshay Sharma, II-F	Ansh Sharma, II-F	Suhani Singh, III-C
	Pranshu Aggarwal, IV-A	Swastika Maity, V-B	Abhinav Chopra, VI-G	Sarthak Verma, VII-D
	Dhruv Sharma, VIII-G			
<b>SILVER MEDAL</b>	Ananya Kumari, II-F	Amisha Dewan, IV-B	Daksh Khuttan, VI-F	Sarthak Aggarwal, VII-F
	Anubhav Deepankar, VIII-D			
<b>BRONZE MEDAL</b>	Divya Rajput, II-F	ArmaanTaneja, IV-A	Prakriti, VI-G	Eliena Jindal, VII-E
	Mayank Tomar, VIII-G			

## INTERNATIONAL MATHEMATICS OLYMPIAD

10th SOF International Mathematics Olympiad (Level-1) was conducted in the school premises on 01 December. Following were the prize winners:

<b>GOLD MEDAL</b>	Ishita Vashishth, I-A	Divya Rajput, II-F	Ayush Utsav, III-A	Guntaas Singh Wasan, III-B
	Pranshu Aggarwal, IV-A	Gunjan Sharma, V-E	Abhinav Chopra, VI-G	Dev Bahl, VII-D
	Saksham Gupta, VIII-G			
<b>SILVER MEDAL</b>	Divyanshu Panda, I-B	Yuvika Goyal, II-F	Nikita Arora, III-D	Shiven Jindal, IV-D
	Anubhav Depankar, VII-D	Ashutosh Avasthi, V-D	Ansh Singh, VI-F	Lakshit Tandon, VII-F
	Mayank Tomar, VIII-G			
<b>BRONZE MEDAL</b>	HarkiratSingh, I-A	Navya Pandey, I-A	Anushka Singh, II-A	Manmeet Kaur, III-B
	Jasraj Singh Malhotra, IV-B	Aatman Yadav, V-E	Saksham Chhabra, VI-F	Sarthak Aggarwal, VII-F
	Mishti Arya, VIII-F			

## FRENCH SPELL BEE COMPETITION

French spell bee round 2 was organized by Frehindi Education Pvt. Ltd. on 16 December for intermediate level (Classes VII and VIII) in the school premises. 45 students of Class VII and VIII actively participated in the oral and written examination after qualifying round. It was informative and interesting for students who got an opportunity to enhance their knowledge and vocabulary.

French National Spell Bee competition was organized by Frehindi Education Pvt Ltd, on 22 January at C.D. Ambedkar Auditorium. 2 students from Class VIII actively participated and showcased their flair for French language and it was a golden chance for them to enrich their vocabulary. Thereafter, participants were rewarded with certificates, medals and gifts for their excellent performance in the whole competition. It was a great learning experience for the students.

French Spell Bee zonal round competition organized by Frehindi organization was held on 27 December at Khaitan Public School, Noida. **Rupal Goel** and **Ruheena Guglani** of Class VIII-G competed and bagged 2nd prize at the zonal level for the school, while individually Ruheena Guglani won Silver Medal and Rupal Goel won Bronze medal. Besides medals they were rewarded with gifts and certificates.



Winners of French Spell Bee

## FRENCH OLYMPIAD

State level French Olympiad Competition 2016 which was organized by Prayatna Educational Society in collaboration with Alliance Franraise De Rouen, was held on 5 October 2016. Our students gave an outstanding performance. The winners of state level, who were awarded with medals were as follows:

<b>GOLD MEDAL</b>	Siddhi Sachdeva, VI-G	Shivek Seth, VIII-F	Hardik Sharma, X-A
<b>SILVER MEDAL</b>	Nishchay Juneja, VI-F	Kashish Goyal, VIII-F	Jaskaran Singh, X-A
<b>BRONZE MEDAL</b>	Sana Gupta, VI-F	Aayush Pandey, VII-F	Sarthak Kedar, X-A

National Level Competition French Olympiad 'Roman Rolland', 2016 was organized by Prayatna Educational Society in collaboration with Alliance Fran raise De Rouen from 19 Dec 2016 to 21 Dec 2016. This competition was based on French language & civilization which focused at enhancing the listening skills of students. 16 students of Class VI, 32 students of Classes VII & VIII and 11 students of Class X participated actively in the online French Olympiad for the levels A1, A2 and B1 and received certificates and medals for their brilliant performance. It was informative and interesting for the students who got an opportunity to enhance their knowledge and linguistic skills. Among the 59 participants **Hardik Sharma** of Class X-A secured 4th position all over India.



## COMPETITIONS

### WHIZ KIDS COMPETITION

Intra class Whiz Kids Competition was organized for Classes III to V from 30 January to 01 February. The topics were given on the spot to the students. Students participated with great enthusiasm and enjoyed the digital creative activities.

PRIZE	CLASS-V	CLASS-IV	Class-III
	(PowerPoint presentation)	(MS Word)	(MS-Paint)
FIRST	Bhavika & Lavanya, V-A	Divyansh & Ishana, IV-A	Bhumi, III-B
SECOND	Mahika & Aarav, V-C	Priyansh & Sumat, IV-A	Harshit, III-C
THIRD	Gulsheen & Jaskirat, V-F	Riya & Prince, IV-D	Krishiv, III-A

### TATA INTER SCHOOL ENERGY Q QUIZ-2017

The knockout round and city finals of Tata Inter School Energy Q Quiz 2017 was organised by 'Tata Power club Enerji' at Cambridge Foundation Senior Secondary School, Rajouri Garden on 19 January. Teams from 20 schools had participated in the event. **Aditya Verma, Shivek Seth and Vibhor Srivastava of Class VIII-F** won the first position and became eligible to take part in the National Level Quiz Competition, which is going to be held in Mumbai during next academic session.

### CALLIGRAM WRITING CONTEST

Taking part in co-curricular pursuits not only makes a student's experience stimulating time but can also provide them opportunity to indulge with skills and interests beyond the curriculum, which will also be beneficial to them in future. Citi Montessori School, Lucknow organized essay writing, collage making and calligram writing contests based on the theme "PULSES", as year 2016 was declared the International year of Pulses by the U.N. General Assembly. **Aditi Pandey (IX-C)**, who participated in Calligram Writing, brought laurels to the school, as she won First prize competing against thousands of contenders from many schools.

### INTERHOUSE GK QUIZ

*"The best advice I ever got was that knowledge is power and to keep reading."* - David Bailey

Besides curricular knowledge, honing general knowledge has a great relevance in today's competitive world. It adds a very important dimension to one's personality and helps one gain that extra edge to win the tough challenge faced in everyday life. With an aim to develop an interest in general knowledge among our students, Inter-House GK Quiz Competition for Classes VI to VIII was organised on 19 December and for Classes I to III on 16 February. For Classes VI to VIII, 2 teams comprising of 3 students participated from each of the four Houses. There were 8 rounds in all, which included an array of questions on different topics, viz. General Awareness, Literature, General Science, Identify the Famous Person, General Mathematics and Around the World. Students got to prove their mettle on all topics and gave stiff competition to their rivals. For Classes I to III, the Prelim round was a classroom round open to all the students. Top scorers from each house were selected to represent their respective House in the final round. The Final Round was a multi-media round covering a vast variety of topics like famous monuments, personalities, countries their culture, flags and currency etc. The winners were given trophies by Principal Ms. Alka Kher. The winners and runners-up are:

PRIZE	VI-VIII	I-III
WINNERS	<b>Shastri House - Team Lincoln</b> Abhinav Chopra (VI-G), Sarvagny Panwar (VII-C) and Aditya Verma (VIII-F)	<b>Nehru House</b> Navya (I-A), Anushka Singh (II-A) and Tanish Sharma (III-B)
RUNNERS-UP	<b>Shastri House - Team Darwin</b> Kanishka Goel (VI-C), Nandini Bhardwaj (VII-C) and Devansh Gupta (VIII-G)	<b>Patel House</b> Khushi (I-E), Ansh Sharma (II-F) and Aditya Tanwar (III-C)

### ART AND CRAFT COMPETITIONS

Ekansh Verma, VII-D won the first prize in Drawing Competition organized by Kalpuriksha (Health Group). He was awarded with a trophy on 30 January at Dilli Haat, Janakpuri.

Prabhpreet Singh, II-A; Tejasv, II-D; Ayush Utsav, III-A and Harshit Dubey, V-A participated in the Inter-School 'On the spot' Painting Competition organized by J M International School, Sector 6, Dwarka, which was held on 22 December. Ayush Utsav, III-A, won IIIrd prize and Harshit Dubey, V-D won consolation prize.

On 09 December Best out of waste competition was held at J M International School, Sector 6, Dwarka. Chirag, IV-A; Jasleen, IV-A; Tushar Kumar Jha, V-D; Rajnandani, V-E and Harshit Dubey, V-D participated in Class IV-V Category.

Ananya, VIII-G; Chahat, VIII-A; Shresth, VIII-F; Yatharth, VII-F and Ayushi Singh, VII-A; participated in Class VI-VIII category. Anshul, X-A; Ansh, X-C; Saransh, X-C; Namish, X-C; and Naman, X-E participated in Class IX-XII category. The activity was accomplished using materials like crepe paper, newspaper, tree branches and mount boards.

Jashandeep Kaur, IX-A won Second prize in the Painting Competition held on 17 February at Bharti Mahila College, Janakpuri.

Students of our school participated in the Inter-School 'On the spot' Art and Painting Competition - 'Budding Artist' organized by St. Mark's Senior Secondary Public School, Meera Bagh, which was held on 03 February. Ananya, XI-A; Naman Kumar, X-A; Jashandeep Kaur, IX-A; and Ekansh Verma, VII-D won First prize; Suhani, VI-E and Hardik Sharma, X-A won Special prize in their respective category.



## SOLO SINGING

Music is the universal language of mankind and transcends geographical boundaries.

Intra class Solo Singing Competition was held for Classes IV & V on 25 January and for Class I on 10 February. Two students from each section competed. The participants sang evergreen classical English numbers. The songs were presented well by all the competitors. The audience and the judges were enthralled by the presentation. The prize winners are:

### I PRIZE

Aaricia Saroha, I-A  
Lavanya Kapoor - IVA  
Gunjan Sharma, V-E

### II PRIZE

Manal Goswami, I-A  
Riddhima Chopra, IV-B  
Mayank Madaan, V-B

### III PRIZE

Asmita Rana, I-E  
Bhavya Kumar, IV-D  
Navya Sharma, V-F

### SPECIAL PRIZE

Arohi Goel, I-B  
Jasmine Verma, IV-D  
Maitreyi Mishra, V-A

### SPECIAL PRIZE

Riya Goyal, I-E  
Rama Chauhan, IV-E  
Aarav Dua, V-C



Winners of Class IV



Winners of Class V

## RECITATION COMPETITION

Intra-class English Recitation Competition for Class I was held on 14 February and for Class II was held on 15 February. Students recited some of the most influential and timeless poems on different themes like celebrating childhood, school life, humour and sports, encouraged them to love poetry. The competition helps the students to delve into language and come up with thought provoking ideas. The prize winners were as follows:

### I PRIZE

Aaricia Saroha, I-A  
Anika Dewan, II-A

### II PRIZE

Angel Prashar, I-B  
Kaustabh, II-A

### III PRIZE

Aaradhya Sharma, I-D  
Pratyaksh Verma, II-C

### SPECIAL PRIZE

Sana Juneja, I-F  
Sainaman Parashar, II-D

### SPECIAL PRIZE

Tavishi Sharma, II-F



Winners of Class II



## BASANT PANCHAMI

Basant Panchami is a Hindu Festival worshipping Saraswati, the Goddess of knowledge, music and art. People all over India celebrate this festival by wearing yellow garments and eating yellow rice. Class III students presented songs and speech explaining the relevance of the festival. Principal, Ms. Alka Kher along with the teachers performed the Aarti worshipping Goddess Saraswati and yellow rice was distributed as Prasad.



*Singing the praise of Goddess Saraswati*

## HOLI

Management and staff of our school celebrated Holi, the festival of colours, on 11 March, in an ecofriendly way, with flower petals of different hues and naturally made colours using henna, turmeric, flour, sandalwood powder, saffron, water etc. The whole ambience was a reminiscence of inner joy and happiness signifying oneness in the very essence of life, in true bliss of happiness and love. The whole hearted participation was joyful and set the tone for its celebration with family and friends on 13 March. Hampers containing eco-friendly colours and pamphlets explaining the dangers of using commercially marketed chemical combination as Holi colour were distributed amongst the teachers and students.



*Splash of Colours*

## CHRISTMAS

The Christmas celebrations were held during the week preceding the Christmas Day. Entire event was organized and hosted by students of Class IV. The program included the "Nativity Play" depicting the birth of Jesus Christ. Along with the play there was a lively choir singing Christmas carols, and a group of dancers that enraptured everyone with their dances. A group of young skaters were also a part of the program, who enlightened everyone with the true meaning of the word "Christmas". The décor was enchanting and had a festive feel to it. The program was followed by a Christmas party organized for students from Classes I - VI. The party was filled with fun and frolic, with the students dancing on their favorite sound tracks and playing prize winning games. The party concluded with refreshments and Santa Claus giving away X-Mas gifts.



*Winners of Dance Competition*



*Dance Mania*



*Polka Dance*



## LOHRI

School management, teachers and staff celebrated Lohri on 13Jan, a popular Punjabi folk festival. Amongst the legends about the Lohri festival, it is also believed that the festival commemorates the passing of the winter solstice. Lohri marks the end of peak winter season, and is a traditional welcome of longer days and sun's journey to the northern hemisphere. It is observed the night before Makar Sankranti. During the celebration in the School, traditional bonfire was lit and the revellers had a joyous time singing, dancing and devouring groundnuts and 'revdi gajak'.



*The Sacred Parikrama*

## REPUBLIC DAY

Men apart, every soldier is a hero

Our school celebrated the 68th Republic Day of our nation on 25 January. Dedicated to the backbone and the unifying factor of our nation, the soldier of the Indian Armed Forces, the celebration was a fitting tribute to their colours of glory and bravery. The celebration was witnessed by the esteemed members of the School Management and the delegates of Exchange Programme from Lithuania and Denmark. The celebration began with the wreath laying ceremony by Director, Ms. Anjali Aggarwal on a symbolic Amar Jawan Jyoti, the eternal flame of the fallen brave hearts; followed by flag hoisting. A dance performance showcasing the ethos and spirit of the Indian soldiers Long Live our soldiers; Long Live our Motherland was presented by students of Class VIII. It portrayed the enthusiasm of the Indian soldier who is always ready to lay his life in heat and cold, in pleasure and pain, for the dignity and unity of our nation. It was a proud moment to watch the students dance like a dream and spread the essence of tricolour wrapped in emotions and pride for our motherland and its protectors, the soldiers.

It is said that there is an end to everything but we believe that there is never an end but only a pause before a better beginning...





## HT-PACE Annual Teachers' Meet

A trusted partner of schools, HT-PACE, conducted its Annual Teachers' Meet on Wednesday, March 29, at Adventure Island-Metro Walk, Rohini, Delhi. This event, held exclusively for teachers, and our School was also represented at the meet by a teacher. As in the past, the meet included innovative and motivational seminars by eminent speakers as well as meaningful plays and performances. This year HT PACE presented a fun-filled, interactive and entertaining event for teachers in partnership with Adventure Island. The show included stunning dance performances, electrifying acrobats, amazing magic show and lucky draw. It was followed by unlimited rides and lunch. The gathering was appreciative of the fun and frolic and went back with a pleasant experience.

## CLASS PICNICS

Students of Classes I and II visited Fun n Food Village for a funfilled day. Aapno Ghar was the destination for students of Classes III-IV. Students and teachers of Classes V-XII had their share of fun and frolic when they entered the portal of the fun city "WOW" World of Wonder. Students tried their hands on every ride. They especially enjoyed the rides like twister, 360, Disco, free fall, feedback and fast forward. The teachers also enjoyed the day. The day culminated with groovy dance session in which the students performed enthusiastically and bid goodbye to this fun city with a promise to come again. A break from routine was much needed and thus enjoyed whole heartedly by all.



## 31ST ANNUAL ATHLETIC MEET

Sports is an integral part of school curriculum. It not only helps develop a healthy body but also helps to inculcate team spirit and discipline. 31st Annual athletic meet (2016-2017) was held on 23 January for Primary Wing and 24 January for Senior Wing. During the opening ceremony held on 23 January, the school flag was hoisted by our Director Ms Anjali Aggarwal, which was followed by march past by primary wing contingent and senior wing contingents of Gandhi house, Nehru house, Patel house and Shastri house. Our Manager Mr Rahul Aggarwal took the salute. This was followed by lighting of ceremonial torch by Vice Sports Captains Nishchay Mohanty and Srishty Saxena. The oath was administered by Srishty Saxena. Different drills like Skating Drill, Wave Drill, Basketball Drill were displayed by students. The students enthusiastically participated in the sporting events. The scroll of honour is as under

EVENT	I POSITION	II POSITION	III POSITION
Ball In The Basket (Boys)	Hridaan, I-D (Patel)	Satyam, I-E (Gandhi)	Saksham Rohilla, I-D (Nehru)
Ball In The Basket (Girls)	Priya Jha, I-A (Gandhi)	Navya Pandey, I-A (Nehru)	Harsha, I-F (Patel)
Pack Your Bags (Boys)	Chaitya Khetarpal, II-B (Nehru)	Aditya Singh, II-A (Nehru)	Harsimran Singh, II-B (Patel)
Pack Your Bags (Girls)	Ipshita Malik, II-C (Nehru)	Aadya Sharma, II-B (Shastri)	Astha Yadav, II-E (Patel)
Three Legged Race (Girls)	Megha & Deepti Kumar, III-D (Shastri)	Gunika & Avni Kapoor, III-C (Gandhi)	Malishka Bambani & Tanya Bahl, III-A (Gandhi)
Sack Race (Boys)	Pratham Kumar, III-A (Patel)	Hardik Goswami, III-C (Gandhi)	Swastik Tyagi, III-F (Patel)
Hurdle Race (Boys)	Vansh Kumar, IV-F (Gandhi)	Moulik Aggarwal, IV-B (Patel)	Armaan Alam, IV-D (Shastri)
Back to Back Running (Girls)	Kanika & Inayat, IV-D (Shastri)	Anshika & Yashvi Paharwa, IV-C (Shastri)	Gungun & Shreya, IV-E (Nehru)
Flat Race (100 M) Boys	Anshu, V-F (Patel)	Aryamann Godayal, V-E (Shastri)	Madhavan Hariharan, V-A (Gandhi)
Shuttle Run (Girls)	Vidhi Goyal, V-C (Nehru)	Kirat Oberoi, V-E (Patel)	Deeksha Sharma, V-C (Shastri)
<b>BEST HOUSE (PRIMARY) : GANDHI HOUSE</b>			



#### SUB JUNIOR (CLASSES VI-VIII)

600 M (Boys)	Devansh Sharma, VIII-D (Nehru)
600 M (Girls)	Shreya Kaul, VII-A (Gandhi)
400 M (Boys)	Devansh Sharma, VIII-D (Nehru)
400 M (Girls)	Sanya Singh, VIII-F (Shastri)
200M (Boys)	Siddhant Ashiwal, VIII-A (Gandhi)
200 M (Girls)	Ananya Gupta, VIII-E (Patel)
100 M (Boys)	Aakash Saxena, VIII-A (Gandhi)
100 M (Girls)	Ananya Gupta, VIII-E (Patel)
Long Jump (Boys)	Harsh Negi, VIII-G (Patel)
Long Jump (Girls)	Sanya Singh, VIII-F (Shastri)
Shot Put (Boys)	Parth Royal, VIII-A (Nehru)
Shot Put (Girls)	Shruti Kandwal, VIII-B (Shastri)
<b>BEST ATHLETES</b>	<b>BOYS - DEVANSH, VIII-D</b>

#### JUNIORS (CLASSES IX-X)

1500M (Boys)	Bharat Malik, X-D (Gandhi)
1500 M (Girls)	Nimisha Setia, X-E (Shastri)
800 M (Boys)	Anshul Mahar, X-A (Shastri)
400 M (Boys)	Shivam Sharma, X-F (Shastri)
400 M (Girls)	Kanika, X-C (Patel)
200 M(Boys)	*Aditya Tanwar, IX-E (Shastri)
200 M(Girls)	*Nimisha Setia, X-E (Shastri)
100 M (Boys)	Rakshat Sharma, X-C (Gandhi)
100 M (Girls)	Kanika, X-C (Patel)
Long Jump (Boys)	Bharat Malik, X-D (Gandhi)
Long Jump (Girls)	Kanika, X-C (Patel)
High Jump(Boys)	Anshul Mahar, X-A (Shastri)
Shot Put (Boys)	Tushar Solanki, IX-F (Patel)
Shot Put (Girls)	Muskan Kandwal, X-C (Patel)
<b>BEST ATHLETES</b>	<b>BOYS - BHARAT MALIK, X-D</b>

#### SENIORS (CLASSES XI)

1500 M (Boys)	Adarsh Shukla, XI-A (Nehru)
800 M (Boys)	Nikhil Sangwan, XI-A (Nehru)
800 M (Girls)	Khushboo Bhatia, XI-A (Patel)
400 M (Boys)	Nikhil Sangwan, XI-A (Nehru)
200 M(Boys)	Nishchay Mohanty, XI-D (Gandhi)
200 M(Girls)	Vanshika Garg, XI-A (Gandhi)
100 M(Boys)	Tushar Khanna, XI-D (Gandhi)
100 M (Girls)	Vanshika Garg, XI-A (Gandhi)
Long Jump (Boys)	Nishchay Mohanty, XI-D (Gandhi)
High Jump (Boys)	Karan Anand, XI-C (Nehru)
Shot Put(Boys)	Mohit Mendiratta, XI-D (Patel)
Shot Put (Girls)	Vanshika Garg, XI-A (Gandhi)
<b>BEST ATHLETES</b>	<b>BOYS - NISHCHAY MOHANTY, XI-D</b>

#### BEST HOUSE (SUB JUNIOR, JUNIOR & SENIOR) :- SHASTRI HOUSE

Raj Singh, VIII-F (Gandhi)
Sanya Singh, VIII-E (Shastri)
Siddhant Ashiwal, VIII-A (Gandhi)
Neha Sarkar, VIII-C (Shastri)
Adiz Sami, VIII- A (Nehru)
Neha Sarkar, VIII-C (Shastri)
Dhruv Sharma, VIII-G (Nehru)
Yamini Solanki, VIII-C (Patel)
Raj Singh, VIII-F (Gandhi)
Ananya Gupta, VIII-E (Patel)
Tushar Mahna, VIII-D (Nehru)
Shagun Shukla, VII-C (Patel)
<b>GIRLS - ANANYA, VIII-E &amp; SANYA, VIII-F</b>

Abhishek Panda, VIII-D (Gandhi)
Shruti Kandwal, VIII-B (Shastri)
Aayush Bheer, VIII-D (Patel)
Manya Maheshwar, VIII-C (Nehru)
Harshit Joshi, VIII-B (Shastri)
Parul, VI-D (Patel) & Umang, VIII-C (Gandhi)
Abhishek Panda, VIII-D (Gandhi)
Khushi Kandwal, VIII-C (Gandhi)
Riyansh, VIII-C (Nehru) & Devansh, VIII-D (Nehru)
Yamini, VIII-C (Patel) & Mudra, VIII-D (Patel)
Akshat Devgan, VIII-C (Nehru)
Bhavya Juneja, VIII-D (Nehru)

Akshay Gupta, IX-F (Patel)
Himanshi Sharma, IX-D (Shastri)
Ashwin Murli, X-F (Patel)
Bharat Malik, X-D (Gandhi)
Muskan Kandwal, X-C (Patel)
Dhruv Kapoor, IX-C (Gandhi)
Prachi Kakkar, X-E (Shastri)
Lakshay Sandal, X-F (Shastri)
Komal Sharma, IX-B (Patel)
Lakshay Sandal, X-F (Shastri)
Himanshi Sharma, IX-E (Shastri)
Lakshay Sandal, X-F (Shastri)
Ansh Kher, X-C (Nehru)
Shagun Kumari, X-E (Shastri)
<b>GIRLS - NIMISHA, X-E &amp; KANIKA, X-C</b>

Lakshay Khattar, X-C (Gandhi)
Muskan Kandwal, X-C (Patel)
Utkarsh Gulia, IX-C (Patel)
Aditya Tanwar, IX-E (Shastri)
Shagun, X-E (Shastri)
Karandeep Singh, IX-A (Shastri)
Riya Khurana, IX-B (Nehru)
Anshul Mahar, X-A (Shastri)
Prachi, X-E (Shastri) & Tejal, IX-C (Gandhi)
Rakshit Sharma, X-C (Gandhi)
Tejal Seth, IX-C (Gandhi)
Deepanshu, IX-F (Nehru) & Ashwin, X-F (Patel)
Keshav Mahna, IX-B (Patel)
Dhwani Kochhar, IX-B (Nehru)

Saksham Sethi, XI-C (Shastri)
Adarsh Shukla, XI-A (Nehru)
Srishty Saxena, XI-A (Gandhi)
Nishchay Mohanty, XI-D (Gandhi)
Aman Sachdeva, XI-C (Patel)
Rishika Jaitley, XI-A (Nehru)
Aman Sachdeva, XI-C (Patel)
Pratishtha Pal, XI-D (Shastri)
Aman Sachdeva, XI-C (Patel)
Dhruv Singh Negi, XI-C (Nehru)
Adarsh Pandey, XI-A (Nehru)
Khushboo Bhatia, XI-A (Patel)
<b>GIRLS - VANSHIKA GARG, XI-A</b>

Dhimant, XI-C (Gandhi)
Ekansh Kalra, XI-A (Patel)
Rishika Jaitley, XI-A (Nehru)
Dhruv Singh Negi, XI-C (Nehru)
Karthik M Panikar, XI-C (Shastri)
Khushboo Bhatia, XI-A (Patel)
Dhruv Singh Negi, XI-C (Nehru)
Priti Tiwari, XI-A (Shastri)
Nikhil Sangwan, XI-A (Nehru)
Aakash Bansal, XI-D (Nehru)
Aniket Chaurasia, XI-E (Patel)
Srishty Saxena, XI-A (Gandhi)



Wave Drill



Skating Drill



Gen-Next Drill











## ITIHAAS ANNUAL ADDRESS BY HIS HOLINESS THE DALAI LAMA

Fifteen students of Classes IX -XI accompanied by Ms Deepa Haruray attended the Annual Itihaas address by His Holiness, Dalai Lama on 6 February. To create and nurture leadership in the field of cultural heritage, Itihaas provided a platform where youth of India take charge and become responsible proactive citizens of India and the world. He enlightened the students about constant war, anger and fear in the world and suggested that love, peaceful and compassionate mind can solve worldly problems. Corruption based on class system, religion, politics and business is more due to lack of compassion in the minds of people. Youth of 21st century has to solve the problems of the world by education, determination, which will pave way for the long term prospects of international peace, disarmament by mutual dialogue. People need inner strength and intelligence to play an important role to attain eternal peace, thoughts and happiness. Our students who were privileged to be enlightened by the thoughts and wisdom of His Holiness, Dalai Lama were

Parth Madaan, IX-C

Vansh Babbar, IX-C

Jashandeep Kaur, IX-D

Somay Mendiratta, IX-F

Dishita Gupta, IX-F

Sakshi Neeraj, IX-F

Hardik Sharma, X-A

Nallini Lalwani, X-A

Bhavya Gupta, X-E

Shirin Das Gupta, X-E

Parul Kataria, XI -A

Navdeep Singh, XI-C

Mohit Aggarwal, XI-C

Yash Nirwan, XI-C

Yashveer Singh, XI-C



*Seeking Wisdom from His Holiness*

## TRIP TO JAIPUR

Holidays or vacations are words that bring joy to everyone. Same was the case with the teachers, when during the winter break - 9 to 11 January, Chairman Mr. T P Aggarwal, Principal Ms. Alka Kher and Supervisor Ms. Inderpreet Ahluwalia accompanied 24 staff members on a memorable trip to Jaipur. It was a fantasy come true occasion as 'all play and no work' became the norm for three days. They enjoyed the magic of the 'Pink City' - Jaipur - through visits to the historical City Palace, the picturesque Amber Fort, the rustic Chokhi Dhani and the vibrant markets. Teachers were mesmerized by its rich heritage and colourful culture. The stay at the Hotel Man Singh Palace was an added privilege, not to forget the in - house evening get-togethers. All the teachers had loads of fun and immensely enjoyed every bit of the tour to Jaipur, as for a change they were taken care of instead of other way round.

## BIDDING ADIEU

The batch of 2016-17 Class XII students were given a warm send-off on 29 January 2017. The Headboy Shubham and Headgirl Muskan thanked the management and staff for the loving care and facilities provided to them in their formative years. They enjoyed the games organised by the teachers and a melodious song sung by their batchmate Dipen Gupta. Principal, Ms. Alka Kher wished and blessed them success in all their future endeavours in life





## ORIENTATION

"People with goals succeed because they know where they are going" Earl Nightingale

Saying goodbye to the kinder phase and stepping into the primary school is an important milestone in a students' life. The academic year 2017-18 is being laced with newer avenues for the students to explore and abundant goals to achieve. Our school organised an Orientation programme on 31 March for the parents of the new members of St. Marks family, who are stepping to Class I. The objective of the programme was to harness maximum involvement of parents and to work in tandem with the school, in guiding their wards towards a bright future. The Orientation programme commenced with the school song, followed by two folk dances and welcome address by the Principal. A few do's and don'ts on effective parenting and ways to reduce anxiety seen amongst parents were highlighted. Tips on how to prepare their wards to smoothly accept the changes from pre-primary to primary days were reassuring for parents. Education Supervisor (primary) and Class teachers were introduced. The enriching session helped the parents to familiarise themselves with the school requirements. Parents interacted with the respective class teacher of their wards. This interaction gave them more clarity as they embarked on this new phase along with their ward. The programme certainly provided a headstart to this new beginning of learning and knowing one another!



School Choir



Parents of New Members of SMS

## ROCKSPORT DAY ADVENTURE CAPSULE

Having a little time away from regular studies is beneficial for 'mental health' of the children. Therefore, as the academic session 2016-17 is at homestretch, our school organized a day adventure camp in the school premises on 7 March for 360 students of Classes I-III. Such Camps facilitates kids to grow socially without parental oversight. The camp started with an assembly and group discussion. Various exciting and thrilling adventures like Commando Net, Burma Bridge, Magical Maze, Zip line, Hamster Wheel had children participate enthusiastically. Activities like 'Tug of War' 'Hamster Wheel' and Body Zorb were activities that inculcated team spirit in the students. The camp was conducted under the supervision of the school teachers and professional instructors from Rocksport. Sumptuous and healthy meals were served. The camp concluded with an interesting magic show followed by DJ music and dance by the students. Certificates were awarded to the students by the organizers.





## CLASS ASSEMBLIES

School Assemblies are an important feature of school's routine. A Section of a Class being assigned the exclusive responsibility to conduct the morning assembly serves to instill a sense of unity and team spirit amongst the classmates in particular and the student community in general. Besides, it provides an opportunity to each and every student of the class to be on the stage, thereby, a platform for the uninitiated and stage-shy students to gain confidence in facing audience in a less daunting situation. Class Assemblies are conducted on a wide spectrum of topics which may not be a part of the curriculum and as such are crucial for personal and social education, by incorporating motivational, cultural and moral aspects. The special assemblies conducted during this quarter were:

On 13 December, students of **Class II-F** conducted the assembly on the topic **Navy Day**. It started with the role of Indian Armed Forces and importance of Navy Day in India. It was concluded by the March Past by the soldiers; Students were dressed as martyrs to remind us about their supreme sacrifice. The students of **Class III-A** conducted the assembly on 14 December. The topic for the day was **Appreciating our teachers**. A teacher affects eternity; one can never tell where their influence stops. Yet after putting in much hard work, it pains to see their efforts sometimes going unappreciated. The students conducted a talk show (interlaced with short enactments) portraying how much the teaching methodology has transformed over the period of time. This was followed by rendition of a beautiful poem by Malishka Bhambani describing the relevance of a teacher in our life. The programme concluded with a melodious song, sung in appreciation of their teachers.

On 19 December, students of **Class III-B** conducted the assembly on the topic **Forgiveness**. The assembly began with a forgiveness prayer and talk on forgiveness, followed by a melodious group song on forgiveness. The topic of the assembly conducted by the students of **Class III-D** on 26 December was **Grandparents Day**. They emphasized the importance and care one should give to one's grandparents through a skit. This was followed by a poem on grandparents recited by Mehak Vashistha and a song dedicated to grandparents. The poems were penned by in-house budding poets Aparajita and Mehak.

The assembly on 18 January was on the topic **World Nature Day**, and was conducted by students of **Class III-F**. A short enactment was presented depicting a lush green forest with all types of animals cohabiting happily, how it was raided by hunters and turned into a barren land. Assembly concluded with a talk on World Nature Day and followed by a tree plantation.

The students of **VI-E** spread the message – **Eat Healthy and Stay Healthy** while conducting the assembly on 20 December. They showcased various healthy food items and junk food items and how healthy food is important for us. Students sang a beautiful song on the theme, supported by their own orchestra.

Students of **VI-F** showcased the importance of prioritizing time during the assembly on 19 January. The topic chosen was **Time Management**. The students presented an enactment showing the importance of scheduling and classifying important aspects of time management.

The assembly on 6 February showcased the **Importance of Teamwork**. **Class VI-G** had conducted the proceedings. The students presented a skit based on the famous story of Panchtantra, 'The old man and the bundle of sticks'. They also recounted many beautiful quotes on the topic. The motto of the special class assembly was "Together everyone achieves more".



Class II-F - Navy Day



Class III-F - World Nature Day



Class VI-F Time Management





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Inter Zonal (U-19) Girls Team



National Handball (U-14) Team



Zonal (U-14) Boys Team



## PICTURE GALLERY



*Members of Scouts & Guides*



*Students of XII-A with Citations*



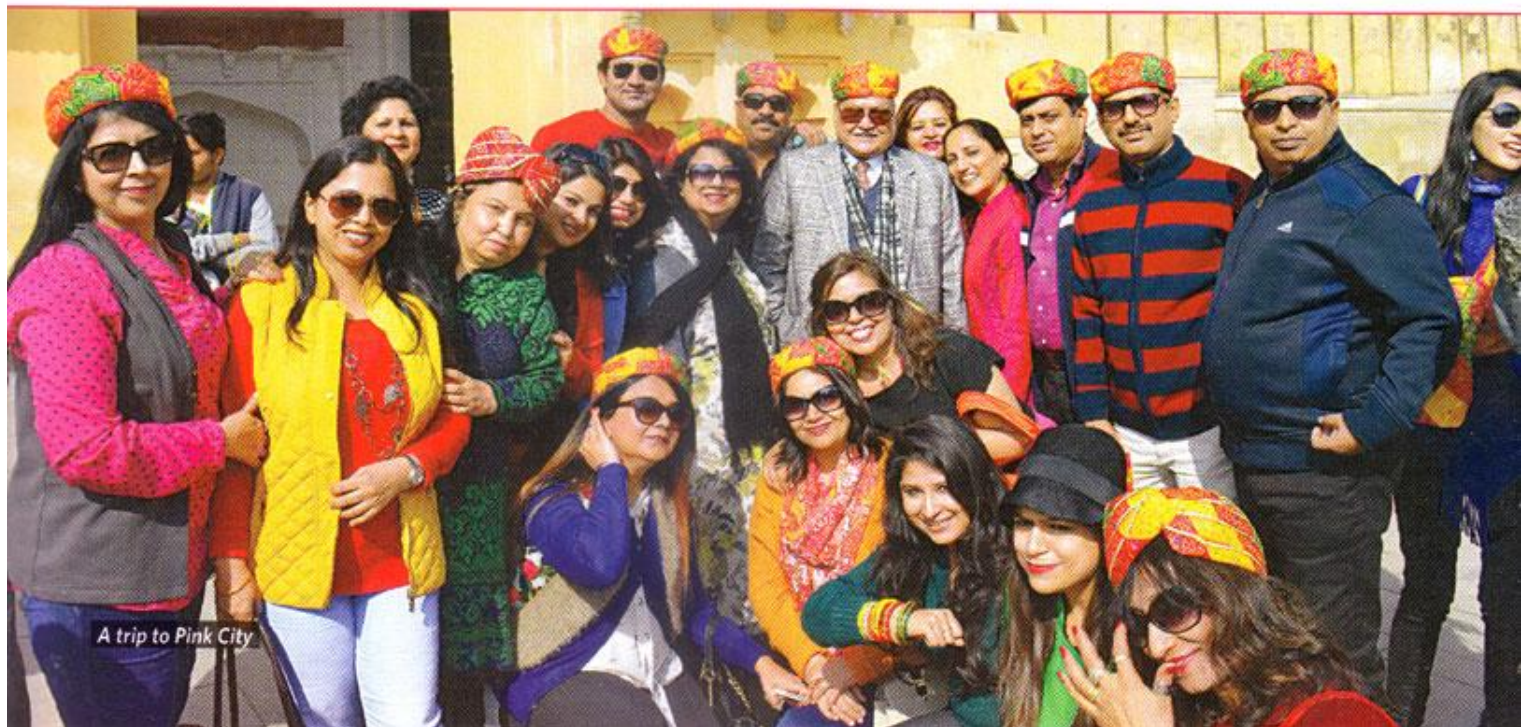
*Making Greeting Cards*



*Orientation Dance Recital*



*Winners of 19th SOF National Science Olympiad (Level 1)*



*A trip to Pink City*