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From the desk of Editor

The older generation, by virtue of their rich experience, make subtle efforts to influence the impressionable minds while they are adapting to the changing mindset. The modern go getter youth of today believes /lives by the YOLO Motto –you only live once –thus they un-bashfully endeavour to experiment all the colours of life. Whereas, the fact of the matter is, it's neither the clay nor the Potter's wheel but the deft hands and balanced mind of the potter that decides the fate of the end product. Therefore, it is the onus on the potter (educators as well as parents) to teach them young to read, not to tear; to spread Joy not fear; to praise not jeer; to nurture and protect with all their heart. These little Ambassadors are our future, who shall restore our lost glory and Legacy of Mother Earth. However, as in nature, exception does exist in life too.



We do find few buds in our garden, who have an inborn affinity to preserve and conserve Nature. The photo accompanying editorial documents one such evidence. The documentation was done real time, and not rehearsed or staged. Three primary students, two of them from Class-I - **Parneet Kaur** and **Ridham Arora** of I-D and **Aryan Oberoi**, Class III-A, who were till then partying along with their classmates at our school ground, happen to notice a trampled flower pot, probably by some of their class mates, unaware, in their zeal of imbibing the exhilarating moment not common in School. The moment they noticed, unprompted, these yet to be 'initiated' kids, stopped the partying midway and rushed with concern to tend the 'injured' plant as if they were taking care of their broken toy or tending their pet. The person who witnessed could not resist the urge to capture the visual for posterity and shared them with the editorial team. As the impromptu gesture of these kids is worth emulating, being the need of the hour, we pride to display them on this page itself.







Budding 'Nature Conservationists'

CULTURAL EXCHANGE PROGRAM WITH POLAND AND LITHUANIA

In order to enhance our students' global perspective a 13 member student delegation of St. Mark's Sr. Sec. Public School, Janakpuri proceeded to Poland and Lithuania, for a cultural and educational exchange program in collaboration with Zespół Szkół Ogólnokształcaco - Technicznych, Lubliniec, Poland, Copernicus Upper Secondary School, Tarnobrzeg, Poland & Radviliškio Lizdeikos Gymnasium, Radviliskis, Lithuania.

The delegation was led by **Mr. Rahul Aggarwal**, the School Manager, **Ms. Inderpreet Kaur Ahluwalia**, Educational Supervisor and **Ms. Ritika Wadhwa Chadha**, Maths Teacher. During the exchange program from 24 Sept. to 7 Oct., the delegation attended plethora of activities including folk dance workshops, musical performances, culinary workshops, historical trips, nature walks, which deepened their knowledge about the culture of these countries. The Indian students also gave presentations and performed Indian folk dances which were highly appreciated by the hosts. The delegation had inspiring interactive sessions with the Mayors of Vilnius, Lubliniec, Tarnobrzeg and Radviliskis. The students experienced the rich history and heritage of Poland & Lithuania by touring the Auschwitz-Birkenau, German Nazi Concentration and Extermination Camp, Hill of crosses which are world heritage sites and cities of Warsaw, Sandomierz, Krakow and Vilnius.

Our 13 member student delegates were:

Ashmen Sandhu, IX-A	Gurpreet Kaur, XI-F
Aman Mehta, IX-C	Aayusha Das, XII-A
Hardik Dhooper, IX-C	Aayushi Dhinda, XII-A
Bharat Bathla, IX-C	Dev Inder Singh, XII-A
Chirag Chawla, IX-C	Shreya Goel, XII-A
Ishita Dhir, X-A	Abhishek Tahanguriya, XII-D
Vishal Mehta, XI-D	









INDO-POLAND STUDENT CULTURAL EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

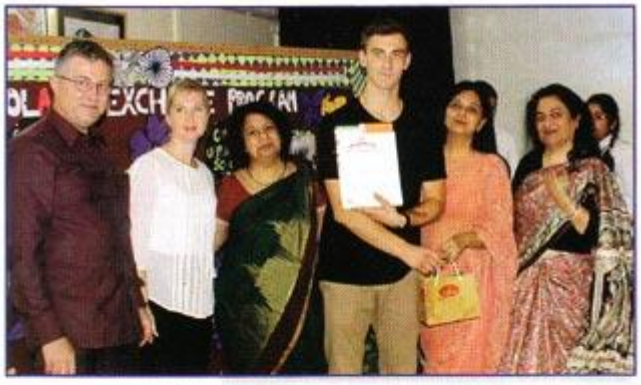
As part of the bi-cultural Exchange Programme a group of thirteen student's along with two teachers from Copernicus Upper Secondary School Parnobrzog, Poland visited our school from 30 October to 4 November. They were given a traditional warm welcome in our school premises. The visitors had the opportunity to join Karva Chauth (a festival celebrated by Hindu women in North India) celebration with the host families. Visit to one of the Seven Wonders of the World - Taj Mahal was an experience filled with awe and wonder for our visitors. They got familiarized with the inspiration behind the building of the heritage site and also learnt about the intricate marble inlay art work.They also got an exposure to a traditional rural set up during their day out to PratapGarh farm and enjoyed various activities like Bullock Cart ride, pottery, camel ride, henna (the art of temporary body art (staining) based on dyes from Lawsonia inermis), tattoo and making rural delicacies. They gained information about Delhi's rich cultural historical past while on a sightseeing tour of the capital. They also attended the sports event 'Synergy', held at SMS Meera Bagh and learnt about various sports played in India. They also had a hands-on experience of various Indian fine arts through workshops conducted by music, dance and art teachers of our school. Overall it was a memorable experience for both, hosts and visitors, which will be cherished for a long time.













12TH ASEF CONFERENCE

ASEF Class Net is a part of the Asia Europe Foundation that works to bring together schools from 51 ASEM countries. **Ms. Ritu Khurana**, teacher in the primary wing of our school, participated in the 12th ASEF Classroom Network Conference on 'Coding for Education' from 16 November to 20 November in Sofia, Bulgaria. More than 100 Secondary, Vocational and High School teachers and educators from 38 ASEM countries took part in the Conference. Four days session focused on professional enrichment, training opportunities and collaboration session for teachers and educators. The programme consisted of a panel discussion on 'Coding Technology' and its possible application in the classroom. Ms. Ritu Khurana, proposed a project 'Grandma's Kitchen - a recipe book' for the year 2015-16. Our School was also a part of the **Gold Award Projects** - 'World History in family photos.' and 'Let's Eat: Mix it !' They were also part of the **Silver Award Projects** - 'Moments and Monuments' and 'Class Net News.' Overall it was a great learning and enriching experience.



ASEF Meet in Sofia,Bulgaria

SKYPE SESSION

10 students from **Classes VI** and **VII** participated in the Skype Session on 23 November with Siang - He - Elementary School, Taiwan. It was a beginning of an Online Cultural Exchange Programme between both the schools. The students introduced themselves and exchanged information about their country, city and their important festivals. The students who participated from our school were:

Dev Bahl, VI-D	Ria Girsa, VII-G
Nitin Malik, VI-D	Anandita, VII-A
Tiya Sharma, VII-G	Aksa Anil, VII-A
Tanisha Kapur, VII-G	Suhani, VII-A
Ananya Tiwari, VII-G	Vanshika Matka, VII-A



Skype Session

A DATE WITH THE PRESIDENT

The occasion of Children's Day became 'A dream come true!' moment for our Scouts and Guides, as they had an enviable opportunity to meet His Excellency, **Shri Pranab Mukherjee**, Honourable **President of India** at Central hall of Rashtrapati Bhawan on 14 November 2015. The team was led by **Mr. I. P. Arora**, Commissioner State Headquarters Hindustan Scouts and Guides and **Ms. Jyotsna Vishwakarma**, Educational Supervisor (Primary). The privleged Scouts & Guides were:-

Keshav Mahna, VIII-B	Rishabh Singh, IX-A	Chavee Malhotra, VII-F	Tanishq Bajaj,VIII-B	Gul Tomar, VI-A
Devesh, V-D	Nitin Singh, VII-D	Jayati Garg, VIII-B	Manya, V-E	



Date with President



ON THE SPOT PAINTING COMPETITION

The school organized 16th Annual Inter-School On The Spot Painting Competition on 07 November. More than 61 schools from Delhi and NCR took part in the competition. Well- known artist **Mr. Prem Singh** was the Chief Guest on the occasion. The Guest of Honour was **Mr. Rajesh Rishi**, MLA from Janakpuri. Chairman **Mr. T P Aggarwal**, Director **Ms. Anjali Aggarwal**, and Manager **Mr. Rahul Aggarwal** presented memento and souvenirs to the guests. Principal **Ms. Rama Sethi** welcomed the august gathering and all the participants. Convener, **Ms. Alka Kher** our Vice Principal, expressed School's appreciation for such enthusiastic participation. Judges were **Mr. Rajesh Sharma** and **Mr. Vigyan Vrat**. A gallery of previous year's prize winning paintings was also on display.


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ENGLISH POETRY RECITATION



Winners of Class II



Winners of Class III

'Poetry comes alive to me through recitation'. Keeping in tune with these famous quote by the poet Natalia Merchant, English Poetry Recitation was organized on 30 Sept. for **Class II** and on 24 Sept. for **Class III**. Students recited poems on humour, childhood, festivals, friendship, environmental awareness, animal and plant life and family. The winners were:

	I Prize	II Prize	III Prize	Consolation	Consolation
II	Dhriti Gupta, II-F	Suhani Singh, II-C	Malishka Bhambani, II-A	Akshara Sharma, II-C	Ayush Utsav, II-A
III	Manayata , III-F	Jasleen, III-A	Jasmine, III-D	Yashvi, III-E	Jiya, III-F



FRENCH RECITATION

Our School organized French Poem Recitation Competition on 28 October for Classes VI to IX and the winners were:-

	Class VI	Class VII	Class VIII	Class IX
1st Prize	Sagar K. Joshi, VI-F	Anisha Saxena, VII-G	Aditi Pandey, VIII-C	Mitali Arora, IX-A
2nd Prize	Manisha Verma, VI-E	Ayush Pandey, VII-F	Tanushree Bishnoi, VIII-C	Riya Gulati, IX-A
3rd Prize	Sannidhi Arora, VI-F	Suhani Monga, VII-A	Anshul Garg, VIII-D	Hardik Sharma, IX-A
Special Prize	Shreya Arora, VI-E	Bhavna Sharma, VII-G	Dolly Kaushik, VIII-B	Sheetal Bhatia, IX-A
Special Prize	Pridhi Ladwal, VI-E	Misthi Arya, VII-F	Yashika Gupta, VIII-A	Nallini Lalwani, IX-A



Winners of Class VI



Winners of Class VII

LOVE FOR FRENCH POETRY



Winners of Class VIII



Winners of Class IX

INTER HOUSE G.K. QUIZ

Inter - House G.K.Quiz for **Classes III to V** was held on 5 Nov. The quiz included multiple choice questions from various topics on Science, Social Studies, authors and books, world and countries etc. It was a multimedia round with teams consisting 3 members, one each from Classes III, IV and V. Team representing Patel House bagged the first position and Team representing Gandhi House were runners-up. The team members of both the houses were as follows:-

Patel House :	**(1st Position)**	Tejas Tomar, III-D	Naman Mahawer, IV-F	Nischay Juneja, V-G
Gandhi House :	**(2nd Position)**	Divya Rathore, III-B	Mayank Madaan, IV-B	Sakshi Kumari, V-C

ROBOTRONICS

Our School Robotics team won a **gold medal** in Zonal Competition held at Chinmaya Vidyalaya on 16 October. The team members were:

Ishan, VII-B Tanishq, VII-B Milind, VII-B Bhavik, VII-B

Another team from our school won **2nd runners up** prize in Zonal Competition held at Bal Bharti Public School, Pitampura on 7 November 2015. The team comprised following members.

Gobindpreet, IX-F Manvir, IX-A Aniket Goyal, VIII-A Shivam Malhotra, IX-C

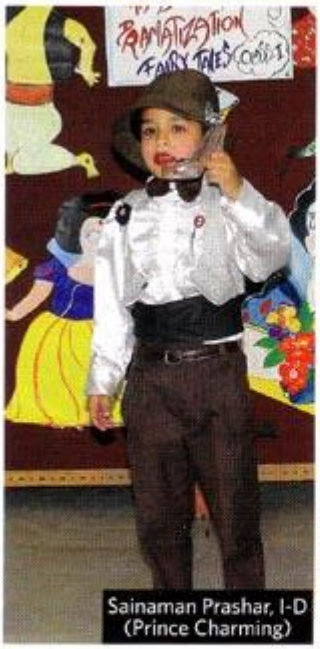
One Junior, two Middle and one Senior team of our school have qualified for **Nationals** to be held on 19 December. Wishing them success!

CHARACTER DRAMATIZATION

Character Dramatization Competition for **Class I** and **Class II** was held on 23 September and 13 October respectively. Children were dressed as famous characters from literature classics and showcased their acting prowess. They took everyone on a magical trip of the fairy lands with their skilled performances. The prize winners were:

I Prize	Aalyssa, I-D	Hardit Singh & Yatharth Saini, II-A
II Prize	Anika Dewan, I-A	Suhani Singh, II-C
III Prize	Lakshay Sharma, I-F	Shreya Singh, II-D
Special Prize	Tavishi Sharma, I-F	Kanishk Jindal, II-A
Special Prize	Praneet, I-D	Bhavika Bali, II-A




Sainaman Prashar, I-D
(Prince Charming)


Lakshay, I-F
(Captain Hook)


Aalyssa, I-D
(Sleeping Beauty)


Pratyaksh, I-C
(Pied Piper)


Anushka Singh, I-A
(Queen of Narnia)


Jayesh, I-C
(Beast)


Yashvi, I-E
(Witch)


Anika Dewan, I-A
(Maleficient)


Winning Characters (Class II)

HANDBALL

Our School Handball team members have been regularly playing at National Level and securing laurels for themselves and the State team they represent. The following students of our School represented Delhi Hand Ball (U-17) Team at the **National School Games** held at Hyderabad, Telangana from 10 October to 14 October.

Muskan Kandwal, IX-C (Delhi Team Captain) Achint Kaur, X-C Shagun Kumari, IX-E Nimisha Setia, IX-E Dhwani Kochhar, VIII-E

Our Handball girls also participated in **Sub Junior Zonals** held in our school premises from 11 to 20 September and bagged the first position. The team members were:

Varunika, V-C	Harjas, VI-A	Sania, VII-B	Khushi Kandwal, VII-E	Kanishka, V-C
Ayushi, VI-A	Yamini, VII-B	Shruti Kandwal, VII-F	Akshita, V-D	Shagun Shukla, VI-A
Khushi Jindal, VII-D	Janvi Kalra, VIII-A	Vishnupriya, VI-A	Stuti, VII-A	Ananya, VII-D
Tapsi, VIII-F				

61st National School Games (U-19) was held at Warangal, Telangana from 16 October to 20 October. The following students of our School represented Delhi Team, which secured 2nd Position.

Cicelia M. Thomas, XI-B (Delhi Team Captain) Harshita Joshi, XI-C Anjali Solanki, XI-A Muskan Aggarwal, XI-D

Sub Junior Zonal Boys Handball Tournament was held in our school premises from 22 October to 25 October and our players bagged the third position. The team members were:

Tushar Kr. Jha, IV- D	Ankush Kumar, V-D	Ansh, V-F	Harshit Sharma, VIII-B	Anshu Kumar, IV-F
Anurag Pandey, V-D	Sanjam Kataria, VI-A	Sourav Gosain, VIII-B	Aman, IV-F	Aditya Kumar, V-D
Riyansh Prakash, VII-B	Dhruv Vig, VIII-F	Nitin Chaurasiya, IV-F	Abhishek Thakur, V-F	Dev Manchanda, VIII-A
Gagandeep Singh, VIII-F				

Delhi Olympic Games Handball Championship was held at Sarvodya Vidyalaya, Pitampura from 25 October to 30 October. St. Mark's Janak Puri Handball Club won 3rd position and the participants were:-

Cicelia M. Thomas, XI-B-(Captain)	Dhwani Kochhar, VIII-E	Jayati Garg, VIII-B	Khushi J, VII-D
Anjali Solanki XI-A	Harshita Joshi, XI-C	Shagun Kumari, IX-E	Khushi Kandwal, VII-E
Yamini Solanki, VII-B	Muskan Kandwal, IX-C	Tripti Verma, IX-B	Shruti Kandwal, VII-F
Shagun Shukla, VI-A	Nimisha Setia, IX-E	Janvi Kalra, VIII-A	Ananya Gupta, VII-D

Our star Handball team participated in Inter School Tournament-**Synergy**, held at St. Mark's Public School, Meera Bagh, from 02 November to 06 November and secured 1st position. The team members were:

Muskan Kandwal, IX-C (Captain)	Achint Kaur, X-C	Tripti Verma, IX-B	Jahnvi Shori, IX-D
Nimisha Setia, IX-E	Shagun Kumari, IX-E	Janvi Kalra, VIII-A	Jayati Garg, VIII-B
Dhwani Kochhar, VIII-E	Yamini Solanki, VII-B	Ananya Gupta, VII-D	Khushi Jindal, VII-D
Khushi Kandwal, VII-E	Shruti Kandwal VII-F	Shagun Shukla VI-A	Harjas Kaur, VI-A

Zonals Handball Tournament (U-17) was held in our school premises on 9 November and 10 November. Our School Handball team won 1st position and the team members were:-

Muskan Kandwal, IX-C- (Captain)	Tripti Verma, IX-B	Jahnvi Shori, IX-D	Nimisha Setia, IX-E	Shagun Kumari, IX-E
Dhwani Kochhar, VIII-E	Harleen Kaur,IX-D	Arpana Jha, IX-D	Jayati Garg, VIII-B	

Senior Zonal Handball Tournament was held in our school premises on 8 November and 9 November. Our SchoolHand ball team won 1st position and the team members were:-

Cicelia M. Thomas XI-B-(Captain)	Harshita Joshi XIC	Anjali Solanki, XI-A	Darpan Goyal, XI-E	Achint Kaur, X-C
Muskan Aggarwal, XI-D	Anushka Gupta, XIB	Bhavya Babuta, XI-C	Astha Verma, XI-E	Diksha Barrot, XI-E
Mansi Tomar, XII-E	Kamya Ahlawat, XIIE	Nidhi Singh, XII-E	Vibhuti Sharma, XII-D	

Four of our School Handball team members played for Delhi State Team at **38th Junior Girls Open National Handball Championship** held at Sangrur, Punjab from 28 October to 03 November. The students of our school who represented Delhi Team, which secured 4th Position at National level were.

Cicelia M. Thomas, XIB, (Delhi Team Captain) Harshita Joshi, XIC Anjali Solanki, XIA Shagun Kumari, IXE

BADMINTON

Our school competed in Badminton Zonal with Andhra Education Society, Kerala Public School, St. Lawrence School and V. V. DAV Public school and won against all of them. **Devansh Pathak** of Class IX-D was selected for Inter-Zonal Championship. Overall our school won II position. Also, our school competed in C.B.S.E CLUSTER and won matches against Sachdeva Global School and Hansraj Public School. The team members were:

Devansh Pathak, IX-D	Yash Sachdev, XI-D	Keshav Kabra, VIII-B	Yajur Nakara, IX-F
Yugal Matta, XI-C	Lavish Jaggia, XI-C	Tushar Garg, VIII-E	Vivek, IX-F

CRICKET

Zonal Cricket Competition was held in the month of October at Vikas Puri Cricket Coaching Centre and our school won the Zonal Championship in Senior Boys Category (Under 19). The team was led by Bhavya Chauhan, XIE (Captain).

The team comprised of

Bhavya Chauhan, XI-E	Shivam Dhoundiyal, XII-E	Shivang Choudhary, XI-A	Ankit Mastwal, XI-A
Nayan Grover, XI-D	Shubham Dhingra, XI-D	Abhishek Singh, XI-D	Nikunj Tanwar, XI-F
Amit Verma, XI-F	Vibhor Ahuja, XI-E	Sanchit Dhasmana, X-D	Yash Sachdeva, XI-D
Nishchay Mohanty, X-B	Dhruv Singh Negi, X-B	Lakshay Sandal, IX-F	Nikhil Sangwan, X-B

The four players mentioned in the top row above were selected for playing in Inter Zonal tournament.

TAEKWONDO

Arman Tyagi of **V-E** got **gold medal** in Greater Noida Cup Taekwondo Championship held on 7 November'15 at Greater Noida Stadium in Sub Jr. Category.

ATHLETICS

Our school athletics team participated at the **Zonal Athletic Meet (Girls)** organized by G.G.S.S. School, A-Block, JanakPuri, on 29 October. The following students won medals:

Muskan Kandwal, IX-C	Shotput	1st	Jhanvi, VIII-A	Shotput	3rd
Nimisha, IX-E	400 mtrs	3rd	Nimisha, IX-E	800 mtrs	3rd
Ananya Gupta, VII-D	400 mtrs	3rd			

Our school primary athletics team participated at the **Primary Athletic Meet**, organized by G.B.S.S. School No. 1, C-Block, JanakPuri, on 05 November. The following students won medals:

Prashansa, V-E	100 mtrs	1st	H. Madhvan, IV-A	100 mtrs	3rd
Shorya, III-C	50 mtrs	3rd			

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20 Girl cadets participated in closing ceremony of the NCC National Games on 17 October at the Garrison Parade Ground, Delhi Cantonment. **The girl cadets were :**

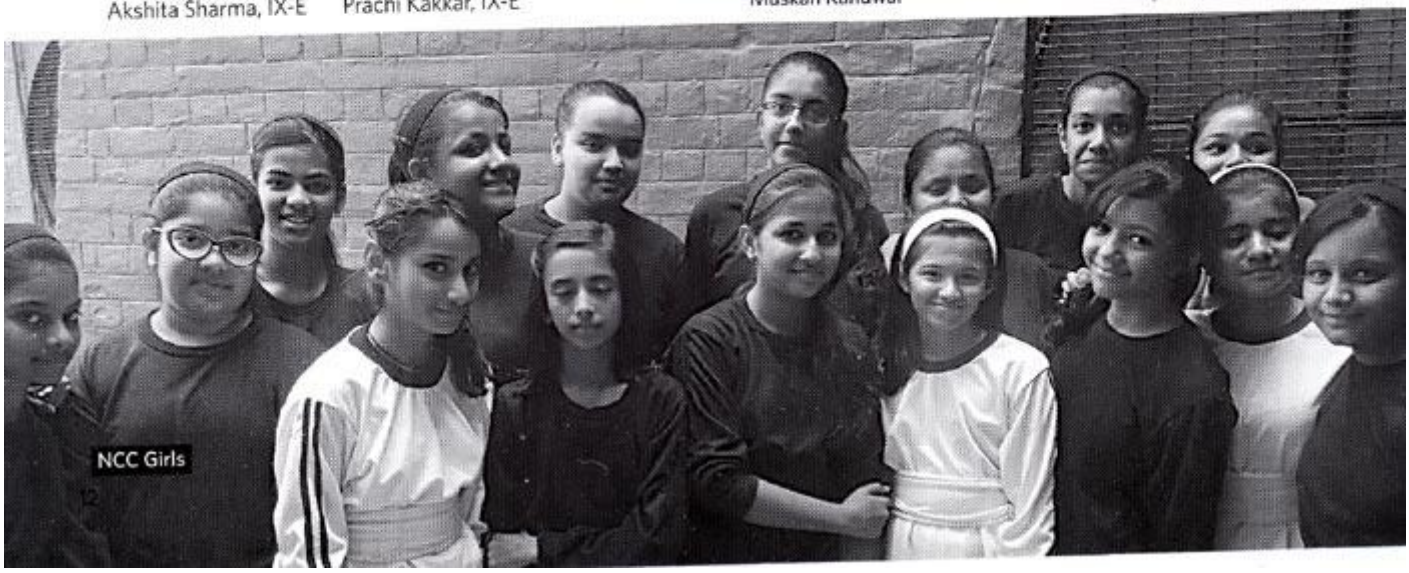
Simran Satija, VII-F	Kashish Goyal, VII-F
Kashish Arora, VII-A	Barkha Sarin, VIII-B
Sakshi, VIII-B	Riya Bagat, VIII-B
Richa, VIII-B	Mansi Bihani, VIII-E
Khushi Kumar, VIII-F	Akansha, VIII-F
Mehak Gupta, VIII-F	Tanisha Kapoor, VIII-F
Muskan Jindal, VIII-F	Drishti Joshi, IXD
Harleen Kaur, IX-D	Riya Nanda, IX-E
Tanya, IX-E	Akriti Mehra, IX-E
Akshita Sharma, IX-E	Prachi Kakkar, IX-E



Muskan Kandwal



Ananya Gupta



NCC Girls

JUDO

Congratulations! Our Judo Champs won the **CBSE North Zone I, Judo Championship** held at G.D. Goenka School, Jammu from 6 October to 9 October. The students showcased exemplary talent and indomitable spirit and also won plethora of medals. Students who won the medals were:

NAME	CLASS	CATEGORY	Prize
Vanshika Garg	X-E	Below 55 kg	Silver Medal
SaumyaVirmani	VIII-E	Below 50 kg	Bronze Medal
Mudra Rawat	VII-D	Below 35 kg	Bronze Medal
Sresth Saxena	VII-E	Below 35 kg	Bronze Medal

The highlight of this event was the selection of **Vanshika Garg** for CBSE National Judo Championship

In the C.B.S.E National Judo Championship 2015-16 held at Bhavan's SL Public School, Amritsar from 19 November to 22 November, Vanshika Garg won Bronze Medal in Below 55 kg Weight Category.



Judo Champions

SKATING

Students of our school participated in **Open Roller Skating Championship** 2015, organized by Roots & Health and Sports Welfare Organization on 10 and 11 October at Pragati Public School, Sec-13 Dwarka.

Kanika, IX-C	300 mtrs	1st	Kanika, IX-C	500 mtrs	1st
Kushagra Bhatia, VIII-B	300 mtrs	2nd	Kushagra Bhatia, VIII-B	500 mtrs	2nd
Sparsh Jindal, VIII-A	300 mtrs	3rd	Sparsh Jindal, VIII-A	500 mtrs	3rd

Our students also won medals at **Pusa Roller Skating Championship** held at Pusa Institute Faculty Club on 29 October.The names of winners are as follows:

Kanika, IX-C	300 mtrs	1st	Kushagra Bhatia, VIII-B	300 mtrs	2nd

Tek Chand Mann Memorial Inter-School Skating Championship was organised by Modern Convent School on 16 October 2015. **M. Lavanya** of Class I-E represented our school under the age group of 4-6 years. She participated in the 'In-Line Race' and secured 1st position. She was awarded a gold medal and a certificate for the same.

MYSTERY SKYPE SESSION

Eleven students from **Classes IX and X** had a Mystery Skype Session on 24 November with the students of Kaosiung Municipal Wunshan Senior High School, Taiwan. The students from both the schools were able to locate the location of each other using their Map Power Skills and thus helped them to further incorporate their critical thinking, geography, independent learning and communication skills. Our school participants were:

Karthik M Panikar, X-A	Aman Sachdeva, X-B	K Pulkit, X-A	Divij Malik, X-B
Samdeesh Mahajan, X-A	Dhruv S Negi, X-B	Anant Singhal, X-B	Sahil Uppal, IX-E
Priyanshu Batheja, X-B	Ojas Sethi, X-A	Mahima Narang, X-D	

TRAINING PROGRAM ON STAYING SAFE ONLINE FOR SCHOOL TEACHERS

With increase in surfing the internet, and an exponential increase in the use of online social media websites like Facebook, YouTube, Twitter, Flickr, Google+, Four Square, Pinterest, understanding of privacy and security issues have become very important. While using social media has many advantages, it is important for school teachers, students and parents to raise their awareness about Internet safety, its challenges, advantages and pitfalls. In this regard, CBSE in collaboration with IIIT Delhi organized a two day training programme on Staying Safe Online for teachers, which was attended by our Computer Science teacher. Programme was organized by Cyber-security Education and Research Centre (CERC) and conducted by **Prof. Ponnurangam Kumaraguru**. This program discussed current usage of social media by teens in India, and opportunities and risks of using Online Social Media. It intended to enable teachers to evolve approaches to recognize and prevent cyber-bullying and enable students to be safe on Online Social Media.

STUDY-ABROAD SESSIONS BY PAC ASIA

Study Abroad sessions were held in our school by Pac Asia for **Classes XI & XII** for four days. On 26 October Ice Breaking Session was held to acclimatize the students with the format of foreign institutions, on 2 November destination AUSTRALIA was explored while on 16 November destination USA was looked into. It was on 21 November that one to one counselling session with parents and students was held to contemplate about the two wondrous destinations.



Workshop for overseas studies

EFFECTIVE TEACHING IN MATHEMATICS

Three teachers of our school attended a workshop on Effective Teaching in Mathematics, conducted in Venkateshwara International on 10 September. The workshop dwelled on application based teaching and stress was made on the concept of 'minimum from teachers and maximum from students'. Emphasis was laid on helping students to frame questions on their own and to develop thinking skills among students. The resource person **Mr. S N Chibber** correlated Math with daily life with the help of examples.

ENRICHING LIFE SKILLS & VALUES – A VISUAL MEDIA PARADIGM

The workshop was held on 14 September at the Arvind Gupta D.A.V. Centenary Public School, Model Town-I, New Delhi – 9 under the guidance of **Dr. Jitendra Nagpal**, Program Director, Expressions India, **Shri Sanjay Bhartiya**, Chairperson, Forum of Public Schools. The workshop was attended by two teachers.

Life Skills are the abilities for adaptive and positive behaviour that enable us to deal effectively with the demands and challenges of everyday life. In other words life skills are psychosocial competencies. They are a set of human skills acquired via teachings or direct experiences that are used to handle problems and questions commonly encountered in daily human life.

Visual Medium can be a powerful educational tool, especially for children with disabilities and from deprived background.

THE TIMES NIE TEACHER'S MEET – 2015

Providing a welcome deviation from the usual monotony of schedule life, The Times NIE organized teacher's meet on 9 October at Hotel Holiday Inn. The event was a unique platform for teachers, experts and panelists. About 400 teachers' from various member schools attended the event. Acknowledging the ubiquitous health issues in life, the theme of the programme was 'Healthy life in a competitive world' where teachers interacted with health experts to know about ways to stay healthy. The special guest for the event was Goa based model Gail Nicole Da Silva first runner up in the Miss United Continent 2014. A range of exciting games was held for teachers like Lucky Draw, Talent Round, Health Quiz and Title Rounds. In the Talent Round Mr. Manoj Kumar Mishra, PGT (English) of our school bagged the first prize.

LEAD ON!

In an attempt to inculcate critical leadership skills and provide a common platform to discuss ethics in leadership, Tagore International School organizes annual leadership meet. 'LEAD ON!-Leaders of tomorrow, meet today' was held on Friday 30 October. The members of students' councils of leading Delhi and NCR schools participated in the event. Our school was represented by Vice Head Boy Bhavya Chauhan and Vice Head Girl Muskan Tyagi. Mr.Raghav Chadha, spokesperson of Aam Aadmi Party was the keynote speaker for the meet. This was followed by face to face interaction with **H.E. Dr. Riad Kamel Abbas, Syrian Ambassador to India**, on the political situation in Syria. The young leaders also had the opportunity to learn some crucial leadership lessons from motivational speaker and standup comedian Papa CJ , who spoke on the importance of thinking out of the box.

CAREER COUNSELLING SESSION

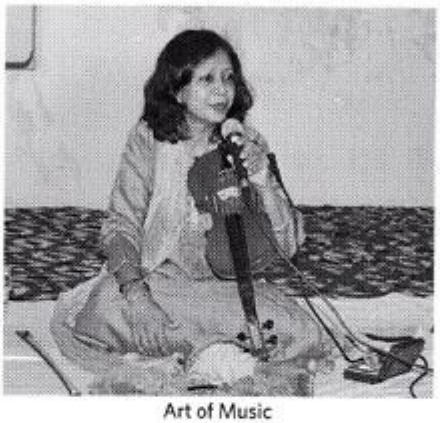
To strengthen the emotional and career quotient of the students a Career Counselling session was held in our school on 12 and 13 October by our alumni/alumnae for students of **Classes XI & XII**. The session focused on facing and accepting the life with its problems head on without any bickering and blame games. It also provided them an opportunity to get insight of life experiences gained by their seniors. The session also discussed and addressed some of the dilemmas that students go through at this age and provided tips and ways to overcome and move ahead in their chosen path. The speakers of the session were : Mr. Anurag Gulati, Dr. Ritu Bahl (Homeopathic Doctor), Mr. Sahil Sayal (Territory Manager at Cars 24), Mr. Hitesh (Chartered Accountant), Mr. Ritesh Thussu (Lawyer), Ms. Vanita Gupta (CA), Ms. Sameera Chawla (Fashion Designer) and Mr. Abhimanya (Journalist).



Career Counselling Session

VIOLIN RECITAL

Our school hosted a Violin Recital by **Maestro Anupriya Deotale** under the aegis of SPIC MACAY on 6 October in the school premises. Anupriya Deotale who has created an enviable niche for herself in the field of fusion music and the first Indian musician to receive the prestigious Ustad Salamat Ali and Nazakat Ali Khan award at Lahore (Pakistan) in 2004 worked with great musicians from France, Germany, Spain and represented India in over 40 countries. She along with tabla artist **Shri Soumitro Paul** was accorded a traditional welcome and the programme commenced with the lighting of the ceremonial lamp. The programme started with a sweet melodious 'Rag Malkauns Alaap' depicting morning which transcended deep down in the hearts of the audience. Her interaction with students was very interesting and educative as she satisfactorily replied to the queries of the students about Violin and sang "Raghupati Raghava Raja Ram' along with the tune of the Violin. The performance kept the audience spellbound. The atmosphere came alive with jugalbandi of violin and tabla in which students also participated enthusiastically. Truly an enriching experience for the students.



Art of Music

SWATCHH BHARAT SWASTHYA BHARAT

HRIDAY-In collaboration with PHFI and Ministry of Health and Family Welfare invited our school students to participate in the 'Swatchh Bharat Swasthya Bharat' Health Camps. The aim was to promote healthy life styles among the visitors through various activities performed by the school children. Our students presented a song "SAY NO TO TOBACCO" which focused on the ill effects of tobacco consumption and also performed yoga to convey the importance of healthy lifestyle through regular exercise. The visitors appreciated and applauded the performance of the students for their valuable messages on good health.

Students who presented the song were:-

Piyush Ladwal, VI-E	Vaibhav Kapoor, VI-A	Devansh Sharma, VIII-E
Sneha Gautam, VI-E	Aaratrika, VI-F	Dipen Gupta, XI-E

Students who performed Yoga were:-

Divyanshi Chauhan, VIII-C	Akansha Gupta, VIII-F	Anuj Kumar Rawat, VIII-B
Bhoomika Pal, VIII-C	Mridul Aggarwal, VIII-B	Krishna Khatri, VIII-B
Muskan Jindal, VIII-F	Akash Sharma, VIII-D	Shivam Mishra, VIII-B

ASTRONOMY SPACE ACTIVITY

Astronomy Space Club activity was held on 20 November in the school premises. Around 19 students actively participated. An eminent educator helped the students to gain the knowledge of time and direction. Various activities were performed to understand the concept of measurement of time and idea of directions. The activity was very interesting and informative.



Astronomy Session on Time and Direction

ANIMALS

Animals are big and small,
God made them all.

As big as a rhino,
And as small as a sparrow.

Some live on trees,
Like birds and bees.

Some burrow earth so deep,
To enjoy a sweet and long sleep.

Some have furry coat so nice,
And make their homes in ice.

Some live in desert hot and dry,
Still survive and do not die.

Animals are big and small,
God made them all.

- TANISH GUPTA (V-B)

ENVIRONMENT

It is my dream
To see my earth clean

So, lets go green
And stop being mean

Mother Earth is crying
As slowly she is dying

Our Earth is complaining.
As her heart is paining

Garbage- garbage here and there
Not a space left to spare

Dirt and disease everywhere
At least now start taking care.

Come on, lets pick up a broom
Groom this earth and make it bloom.

Our earth has to be freed from her gloom
Hence, start with your own room.

-SNIGDHA KURI(VIII-C)

FRIENDS

Friends are flowers.
Friends are powers.

They are your next hand.
They are your next gland.

They are your ears.
They remain for years.

They are your toes.
That is what you chose.

Just like breeze,
They race with you.

They play with you.
They stay with you.

Friends are flowers.
Friends are powers.

-AMITOJ SINGH(V-B)

CHILD LABOUR

Don't stop me from play
As I too want to be healthy, happy and gay

And I too can have a smile all day.
This job is the thing which I hate,

But I have to suffer because it's my fate,
Master says get to work, if you want a full plate.

Please let me study and become educated,
For my calibre has always been underestimated.

So many valuable days of my life have
Already been wasted.

I am as good as any other child,
And I have worked more;
As I grew up in the wild.

I want to live, grow and learn,
This is what I always yearn.

-TANUSHREE (VIII-C)

23RD INTER SCHOOL DEBATE ST.FRANCIS DE SALES SCHOOL

Our students marked their presence at 23rd Inter School Debate Competition organized by St. Francis de Sales School on 30 September by winning Runner-up Rolling Trophy. **Medha Sharma, X-A**, won the Best Speaker Trophy and cash prize of Rs. 750/- and **Samdeesh Mahajan, X-A**, won Runner up Certificate and cash prize of Rs. 400/-.

COMPETITION - A JOY KILL

For The Motion



Medha Sharma

If you can make one heap of all your winnings

And risk it on one turn of pitch and toss

And loose, and start again

But never breathe a word about your loss:

Never let winning or losing expose your weakness,

As said by Rudyard Kipling in his poem "IF". Do you really think we take competition in such a manner? Today our society has gotten carried away with the need to be Number One, that we push our kids too hard and too fast to become winners. Good morning to one and all. Today I, Medha Sharma is going to speak on the topic 'Competition - a joy kill.'

In a competitive culture we are told that it isn't enough to be good- we must triumph over others. Success comes to be defined as victory whether it is related to studies, sports, or anything. The more we compete the more we need to compete to feel good about ourselves and ultimately it kills joy and is transformed into a struggle. Today thousands of students appear for entrance exams. Only a handful of them are able to clear these exams. Those who loose suffer from anger, disappointment, envy and regret. Competition has also affected our family bonds because we compete to outwit each other, resulting in lack of co-operation, jealousy and hatred. Competition doesn't permit us to share our talents and resources .As a result we can't learn from one another. Trying to become Number One distracts us from what we are supposed to be learning. Even in Thesaurus, other words for "competitive" are "bloodthirsty" and "cutthroat" which implicates negativity.

Someone who was involved in the occult quoted, 'Satan's entire kingdom runs on the principle of competition; just the opposite of God's kingdom where everyone serves each other." Although Charles Darwin is normally associated with the" survival of the fittest" theory, even he believed that our natural instinct is to care about others. For Gandhi, competition comes from ego, and therefore, society must be based upon mutual love, cooperation and sacrifice for the well being of humanity. In the end I would like to conclude my debate with a verdict from Bible that lust for worldly success, money and medals bring pride which is distraction from doing God's will. Both failure and success are important, but the balance between the two has huge implications for our wellbeing, culture and future.

Medha Sharma, X-A

Against The Motion



Samdeesh Mahajan

"Being competitive is a requirement to survive and be successful. In order to succeed, we must embrace our competitive nature, challenge ourselves, and overcome the obstacles that keep us from our dreams". We should not forget that we have evolved over millions of years to want to equate winning with survival. To believe there is a winner and a loser. Who wins? The competing tribe or our tribe? Do we kill the predator or does it kill us? Dozens of psychological experiments prove that when people are put into circumstances where they must compete, raw and primitive energy is unleashed. The beast within is awakened. It's us against them. And that is why millions tune into sports every weekend, we crave to witness the raw grandeur of blood, sweat, and tears being shed for the glory of being the last one standing. Competition makes us logical and analytical.

It reminds me of the story I once heard about two friends being chased by a bear, when one turned to the other and said, "I just realized that I don't need to outrun the bear; I only need to outrun you." Competition is a good thing. It's about finding out how well you can do something under pressure. It's about challenging yourself to get better. It can be about working together with others to accomplish a goal. You compete to succeed; to be the best you can be. Yes, it is also about winning. Actually, it's about wanting to win, working to win and preparing to win.

Doing one's best when something is really important is a challenge that everyone should attempt. It is better to teach children tough life lessons, like the thrill of victory is sweeter if they have known the agony of defeat. In the end I conclude my debate with the following lines "If you define success by the failure of others you have gained nothing. And if you define your losses by the success of others you will live in eternal misery. The important games to win are the ones in which you advance others along the way".

Samdeesh Mahajan, X-A

10TH S.N. GANJU INTER-SCHOOL DEBATE

Medha Sharma of X-A showcased her eloquent oratorical skills and won Best Speaker Trophy in S.N. Ganju Memorial Inter-School English Debate Competition held at Vishwa Bharti Public School, Dwarka, on 23 Nov. from amongst a field of more than 20 schools The topic for the debate was 'Mass Media-More sensational than responsible'. **Medha Sharma (X-A)** spoke for the motion, **Karthik M Panikar (X-A)** spoke against the motion and **K Pulkit (X-A)** was the interjector.

SOLO SINGING

Music is an art which appeals to the soul and relaxes our mind and body. It enlightens our leisure moments and adds a touch of refinement to all our pleasures. Children respond to music at a very early age. It draws their attention and energizes them. To encourage our budding singers, Solo Singing Competition was organized on 06 November 2015 for **Class I**. The participants sang vintage classic numbers. The students were judged on the basis of presentation, coordination with the rhythm and the pitch. Following were the winners.

I Prize	II Prize	III Prize	Special	Special
Sainaman Prashar, I-D	Parth Shrivastav, I-A	Bhavya Joshi,I-C	Aalyssa, I-D	Astha Yadav,I-E

ROBOWAR

Dhruv Kapoor of **Class VIII-F** brought laurels to our school by winning the 'ROBOWAR' Competition which was held in APEEJEY School, Pitampura on 12 October. In this competition each student made a robot and then programmed it on a laptop Dhruv won the **second position** by competing against eleven schools and also won a trophy and certificate for himself.

PAINTING COMPETITIONS

On the Spot Collage Making Competition **'TARANA'** was organized by Vishwa Bharti School Sector - 5, Dwarka on 01 September. **Sayyam Thapliyal (V-F)** and **Suhani (V-A)** of our school won the second prize and a shield was awarded to them.

On the Spot Painting Competition was organized by Sumermal Jain Public School, Janakpuri on 23 November for Class III. **Jasmine Verma (III-D)** of our school won the 1st prize. She was awarded a cash prize of Rs. 500/- and a certificate.

Federation of Public School Delhi organized On the Spot Painting Competition during Inter School Fest - 2015 **'SANGATHAN'** on 18 November, at ASN Sr. Sec. Public School, Mayur Vihar. The following students from our school won prize:

Second Prize	Consolation Prize
Sayyam Thapliyal, V-F	Suhani, V-A
Jashandeep Kaur, VIII-B	Srishty Saxena, X-E
	Aditi Pandey, VIII-C



Budding Artist - Jasmine



Winners of 'SANGATHAN'

MODEL UNITED NATION (MUN) 2015



MUN in St. Mark's

The Model United Nation is a series of program run throughout the country and across the world, with the aim to further the understanding about United Nation among the citizens, educating participants about world's issues and promoting peace, understanding, cooperation and diplomacy. MUN 2015 was held in our school on **9 November,** and the agenda was - "Human Right Violation in Asian Countries".The session was Chaired by Secretary -**Vardha Kharbanda,** XII-A and Vice Chaired by **Mansi Batra,** XII-B. **Aditi Sharma,** XII-B was Rapporteur. The awardees were: Best Delegate India- **Parneet Sandal,** XII - A

High Commendation Iran - **Harsh Beniwal,** XII-A Uzbekistan - **Samdeesh Mahajan,** X-A

Special Mention Philippines - **Rachit Dubey,** XI-A Afghanistan - **Mahima Narang,** X-D Saudi Arabia - **Medha,** X-A

GEOFEST

Six students of our school participated in 'Geofest International 2015' held at Lucknow from 1 November 2015 to 4 November 2015 at City Montessori School, Lucknow. **Rohit Kumar** and **Aarushi Gangwani** bagged Commendation Certificates in the event 'Geotech'.Our team bagged commendation certificate in the event 'Voice and Vision'. **Surbhi** of our junior team reached the 3rd level of quizzing. The team members were:

Arpita Gahnot, VII-B	Kunika Tyagi, VIII-B	Surbhi, VIII-B
Aarushi Gangwani, XI-E	Anushka, XI-B	Rohit Kumar, XI-E



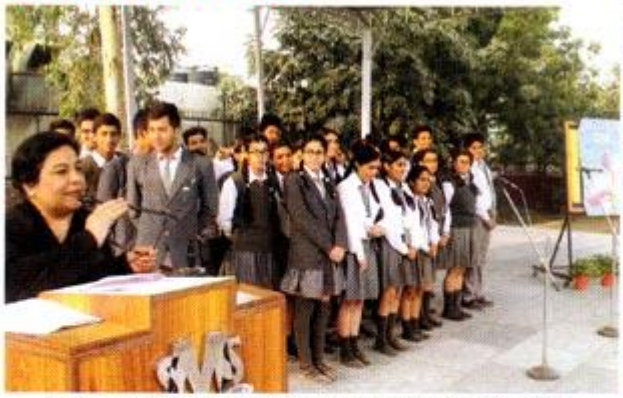
'Raslila' - At Geofest

CAR FREE DAY RALLY - A NOBLE INITIATIVE

Fifty students of our school participated in Delhi Government's initiative of a car free day rally held on 22 November at Sector 13, Dwarka. Our students became a part of this great cause and formed a human chain and also cheered up the rally which was led by the **Honourable Chief Minister Mr. Arvind Kejriwal**. The programme was followed by live musical performance and an inspiring speech by the Chief Minister. The initiative was to create an awareness to make Delhi less polluted and to inculcate the habit of opting public transport and bicycles while traversing on Delhi roads.



CONSTITUTION DAY



Principal Stressing on the Importance of 'Our Constitution'



Constitution Day - Taking a pledge

26 November this year was declared as the 1st Constitution Day by the Union Government, with an aim to inculcate values enshrined in Indian Constitution amongst Indian Scholars. On this occasion, a special Class Assembly by XI-A and a Painting Competition on the achievements of constitution framers was conducted in our school premises. Various aspects of Indian Constitution were shared with the students during the assembly in order to enhance awareness. Children took pledge under the guidance of our Principal **Ms. Rama Sethi** to continue India on the path of SOVEREIGN SOCIALIST SECULAR DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC country. The main motive to celebrate this day was to make students realize the essence of our constitution and its framers.

TEACHER'S DAY

"A teacher is a compass that activates the magnets of curiosity, knowledge and wisdom in the pupils", Ever Garrison

With this thought in mind, the students of **Class VII** organized a special assembly on 05 September for their teachers. The assembly started with a lamp lighting ceremony followed by a floral tribute to the greatest teacher India has produced - Dr. Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan. Thereafter the students presented a song which was highly appreciated by the teachers and also presented handmade cards along with rose buds to their 'Gurus'. The **Vice Head Boy** of the school **Bhavya Chauhan** also shared his feelings while giving Vote of Thanks. The assembly came to an end with an inspiring speech by our School Principal, who encouraged the students to implement all values instilled in them, thus giving a true tribute to their mentors. The day came to an end with a sumptuous feast organized by the school management for the teachers.

ONE NATION READING

Our school participated in the event 'One Nation Reading Together, 2015'in collaboration with Scholastic India, on 27 November. Entire School, i.e. students, teachers and support staff participated enthusiastically, setting aside their routine task, to read together at the scheduled date and time. Graffiti of Meaningful thoughts and expressions on books and reading were etched on 'Graffiti Wall' by the cross-section of readers. The students also contributed wholeheartedly in the ONRT activity 'Book Donation Drive'. The donated books are planned to be distributed amongst NGOs for providing it to the needy.



Reading with the World

CHILDREN'S DAY

Class II presented a programme based on Children's Day on 09 November. As a tribute to the first Prime Minister of Independent India, Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru, and his love for children, Children's Day is celebrated on 14 November every year. It is a day for children to engage in fun and frolic. The students of Class II dressed as members of Nehru family walked across the stage. They also presented a choir and two dance performances. In the end balloons were released. The children danced merrily and had lots of fun.

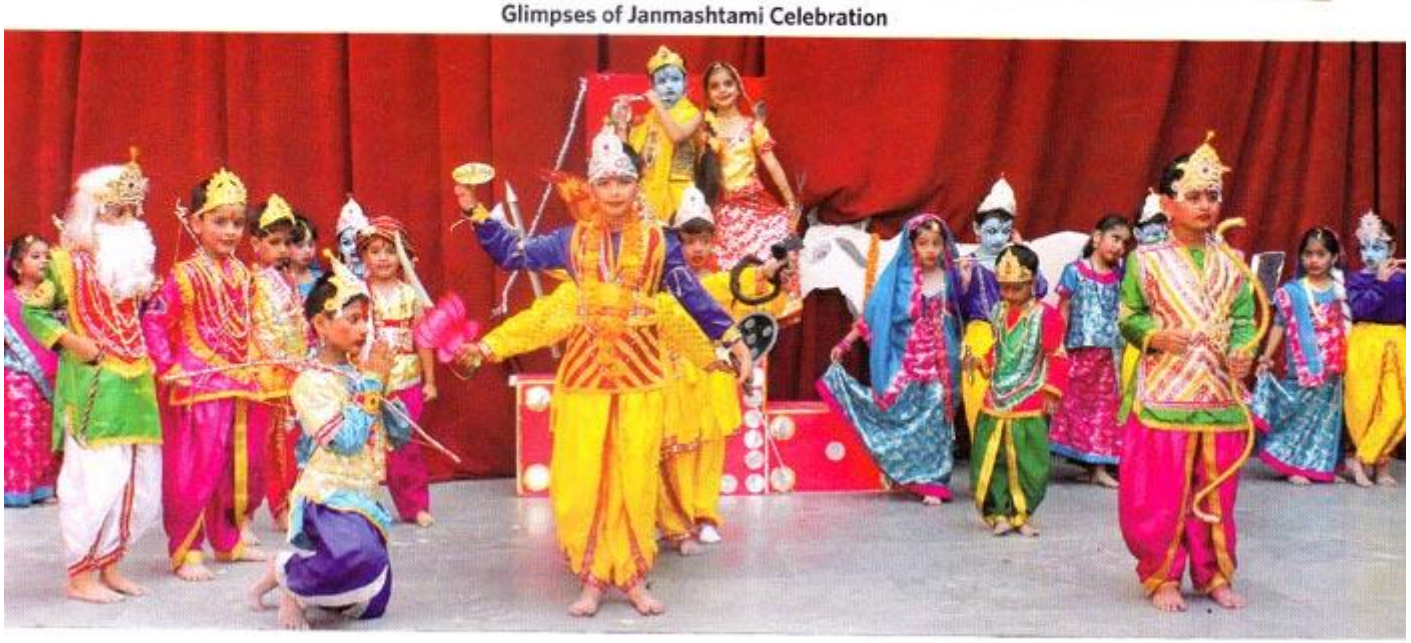


JANMASHTAMI

Krishan Janmashtami was celebrated with great enthusiasm. The students of **Class I** presented a Dance Drama "Hey Krishna" as part of Janmashtami celebrations. Students won the heart of the audience by enacting various roles from Sri Krishna's life. Dressed in attire of Krishna and Gopikas, they spread the message of ancient Puranas and our traditional customs through pranks of MakhanChor, Lord Krishna. Aarti of 'Kunj Bihari' towards the end enthralled the audience. The awesome performance by the little ones was applauded and appreciated by everyone.



Glimpses of Janmashtami Celebration



EDUCATIONAL TRIPS

Learning can be pleasurable if it is promoted through **Educational Trips.**

On 9 September, students of **Class III** visited the ancient monuments & historical places of tourist interest in Delhi like Lotus Temple, Qutub Minar and India Gate. They were also shown Gyara Murti, Rashtrapati Bhawan and Parliament House. Overall the trip to various monuments was a great success, as it enhanced the vistas of our pupils, by familiarizing with the past heritage & culture of Delhi. The trip was quite informative and was a great learning experience.

A large group of students from **Class IV and V**, who traversed Delhi on 10 and 11 September had an experience they will cherish for a long time. Their first destination was the Red Fort. The students were completely fascinated by the spectacular monument located in New Delhi. The visit to Birla Mandir, St. Cathedral Church and Bangla Sahib Gurudwara was an interaction with history. The students were completely mesmerized by the beauty and splendour of all the religious places. They realized the power of faith and discipline on seeing thousands of devotees lined up in queues to enter these religious places. The excursion provided an enlightening opportunity to students, enabling them to enhance their knowledge about our rich cultural heritage.

A visit to Aero-planet (India) for **Class I** was organized by the school on 7 September. During the visit students engaged themselves in educative and recreational activities and were given a detailed description of an aeroplane's interior, given a flight safety demo and a tour of the cockpit and cargo compartment. Smoke and fire drill, crawling tunnel, walking on balancing bar etc. added to this enriching experience It was a great experience for kids, which they enjoyed thoroughly.

Ninety student members of the Exploration club, drawn from **Classes I to III** got an opportunity to explore Teen Murti Bhawan on 18 September. The ushers of the Teen Murti Bhawan took the 'explorers' on a guided tour of the entire premises, which happens to be the official residence of our first Prime Minister, Pandit Jawahar Lal Nehru. Students were overawed to see the art and artifacts displayed, which included personal effects of their 'Çhacha Nehru'. They were inquisitive to know each and every fact connected to the life of our first Prime Minster and the historical documents available in the Bhawan.



At the Lotus Temple



Visit to Qutab Minar



Visit To NPL

VISIT TO NPL

Around 18 students of **Class XI** (Science stream) along with two teachers went to National Physical Laboratory on 30 September. They met various scientists with their research in progress in the field of nanotechnology. These scientists provided the basic fundamentals of their researches. Their explanation was made on mechanical engineering works like calibration of various instruments such as screw gauge, Vernier callipers etc. They were explained about liquid nitrogen and viewed it live. They were shown documentary information in different fields of researches newly made. On the whole it was very informative and interesting.

GURUKULAM VISIT

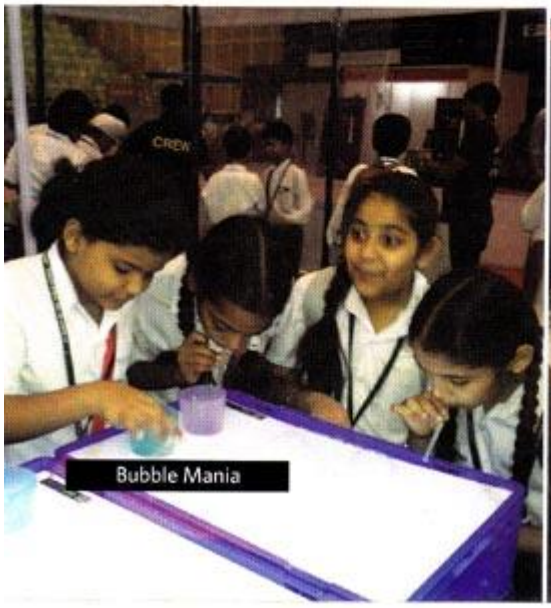
16 students of Sanskrit language (**Class X-A**) visited Shri Gurukulam Arya Samaj Mandir, Hari Nagar on 26 October and had an experience of Vedic teachings and games in Sanskrit, rites and rituals followed by the resident students. Children took lunch for the resident Brahmacharies and had it together between recitals of mantras. Students of our school presented a Sanskrit play (satsangati) which was appreciated by all residents. Children of Gurukulam presented different songs in Sanskrit and our students recited Bhagavad-Gita Shlokas. Overall it was informative and engaging.

VISIT TO HOLY FAMILY ASHA NIWAS

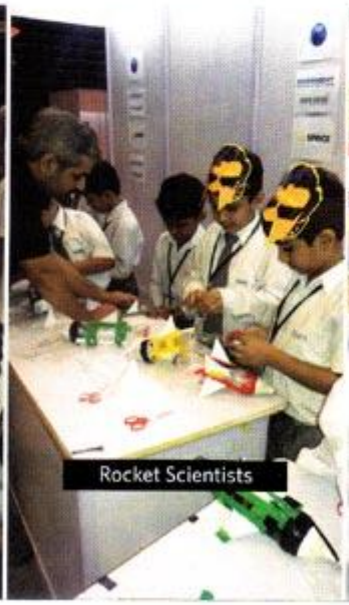
Holy Family Asha Niwas provides a ray of hope for the street girls. It is a home for girls who are neglected and are unwanted by their family and the society. The Holy Family grooms their life by bringing them up, educating them, providing shelter, food, clothing and even settling them in life. Students of **Classes IV and V** as part of the 'Interact Club visited Asha Niwas on 17 September. The students were warmly welcomed by the Asha Niwas inmates by presenting a small programme. Then our students presented a small programme for them and interacted with them and played many games.

VISIT TO SCIENCE FAIR

Around 140 students from **Classes III-V** were taken to Thyagraj Stadium to witness and participate in the Science Fair on 19 September. Students learnt, imbibed and participated in the various science experiments. Hydro rocketry, Aeromodelling, Weight on various Planets, Rubik's Cube, Light Trap, Bubble Mania were a few activities which students enjoyed the most.



Bubble Mania



Rocket Scientists



Let's colour the planets

हिंदी वाद विवाद प्रतियोगिता


महिमा नारंग

रामजस स्कूल द्वारा आयोजित हिंदी वाद विवाद प्रतियोगिता में सेंट मार्क्स विद्यालय, जनकपुरी के दो छात्रो नें भाग लिया तथा अपनी प्रतिभा का परिचय देते हुए वाद-विवाद प्रस्तुत किया। 13 अक्तूबर 2015 को कक्षा दसवीं 'डी' व दसवीं 'बी' महिमा नारंग तथा प्रियांशु ने "भगवान से बड़े धर्म के ठेकेदार" विषय पर अपने विचार पक्ष – विपक्ष में प्रस्तुत किए। इस वाद विवाद प्रतियोगिता के अंतर्गत विपक्ष – पक्ष महिमा नारंग को सर्वश्रेष्ठ हिंदी वक्ता के पुरस्कार से दिनांक – 19 नवंम्बर 2015 को एन.डी.एम.सी. कन्वेंशन सेंटर में समस्त निर्णायक मंडल की उपस्थिति में सम्मानित किया गया।

कविता पाठ प्रतियोगिता

"जहाँ न पहुँचे रवि, वहाँ पहुँचे कवि" कविता के संदर्भ में वर्णित प्रस्तुत पंक्ति का अनुसरण करते हुए हमारे विद्यालय द्वारा कविता पाठ प्रतियोगिता का आयोजन किया गया। इस अंर्तवर्गीय प्रतियोगिता के विषय हास्य–रस, त्योहार, खेल–खिलौने, बचपन, वन्य जीवन, सैर सपाटा आदि पर आधारित थे। 30 सितम्बर को दूसरी व 24 सितम्बर को तीसरी कक्षा के विद्यार्थियों द्वारा इसे सफलतापूर्वक संपन्न किया गया।

कक्षा के विजेता इस प्रकार है :–

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कविता पाठ प्रतियोगिता – कक्षा तीसरी के विजेता

गुरू कृपा

एक समय की बात है कि अमेरिका में विश्व धर्म सम्मेलन आयोजित किया गया। सभी देशों के धर्म नेता पुण्य कार्य पर पहुँचे। भारत की ओर से आदरणीय रामकृष्ण परमहंस ने पहुँचना था पर उन की मृत्यु हो गई उन के स्थान पर उनके परम शिष्य विवेकानन्द जी जो सबसे छोटी उम्र के थे पहुँचे। पहुँचने से पूर्व वह अपनी गुरूमाता का आशीर्वाद लेने गुरू माँ के पास पहुँचे। गुरू माँ ने कहा, "बच्चे बिना सोचे विचारे आशीर्वाद नहीं दिया जाता, कल आना।" आज्ञानुसार दूसरे दिन गये। माता रसोई घर में थी। माता शारदा ने शिष्य से कहा "पहले मुझे चाकू उठा कर दो।" चाकू को उठाते हुये गुरू माँ ने देखा और बिना चाकू हाथ में पकड़े शिष्य को आशीर्वाद दे दिया कि तुम सदा हर काम में सफल हो। मेरा आशीर्वाद सदा तुम्हारे साथ है। इस रहस्य को बाल समझ नहीं पाया। सोचने लगा कि चाकू और आशीर्वाद का क्या सबंध है। शंका को दूर करने के लिये गुरू माँ से पूछ ही लिया। गुरू माँ ने कहा जब किसी व्यक्ति से चाकू मांगा जाता है तो वह चाकू की मुठ अपने हाथ में पकड़ता है और धार वाला हिस्सा दूसरे को सम्मुख करता है पर तुमने ऐसा नहीं किया। तुमने धार वाला हिस्सा अपने हाथ में रखा और मुठ वाला हिस्सा मेरी तरफ बढ़ाया। ऐसा ही तो साधु का मन होता है जो सभी आपदाओं को झेलकर दूसरों को सुख पहुंचाता है। वह भूल कर भी किसी को कष्ट नहीं देता। यदि तुम साधु मन के नहीं होते तो चाकू की मुठ तुम्हारे हाथ में होती ओर नोक दूसरे के हाथ में। इससे चाकू पकड़ने वाले को चोट लग सकती है। इस रहस्य को समझें और ऐसे उदाहरणों का अनुसरण करें।

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भगवान से बड़े धर्म के ठेकेदार

मोको कहाँ ढूँढें रे बंदे मै तो तेरे पास में
ना मैं मंदिर, ना मैं मस्जिद, ना काबा कैलास में

– वह परम पिता परमात्मा हम सब के अन्दर आत्मा के रूप में विराजमान है लेकिन धर्म के ठेकेदार बन कुछ धूर्त एंव पाखंडी लोग भोली–भाली जनता को पथभ्रष्ट कर उसे मंदिर, मस्जिद में ढूँढनें को कहते हैं।

आदरणीय निर्णायक गण, अध्यापक गण एंव मेरे प्रिय साथियो, मैं 'भगवान से बड़े धर्म के ठेकेदार' नामक विषय पर विपक्ष में अपने विचार प्रस्तुत करना चाहूँगी।– माना कि यह देश बहुधार्मिक है तथा –विभिन्न धर्मगुरूओं की यहाँ मान्यता है। ईश्वर ने भी गुरू के महत्व को माना है किंतु ईश्वर ने ऐसा कभी नही चाहा कि कोई भी धर्म के ठेकेदार बन उस की संतानो को आपस में लड़वाए। समाज में सभी धर्म एक समान है। ईश्वर एक है। लेकिन हमारे समाज में यह धर्म के ठेकेदार लोगों में आपसी मत–भेद पैदा कर उन्हें धर्म के नाम पर लड़वाते हैं तथा इस पर अपने स्वार्थ की रोटियाँ सेकते हैं। दूसरों को त्याग का पाठ सिखाते हैं लेकिन खुद आलिशान आश्रमों व बंगलों में रहते हैं और बड़ी बड़ी गाड़ियों में चलते हैं। अब आप ही सोचिये इनसे बड़ा धूर्त और पाखंडी कोई हो सकता है भला?

"जाका गुरू ही गीरही, गीरही चेला होय।
कीच कीच के धोवते, दाग न छूटे कोय"

जो गुरू स्वयं गृहस्थी तथा सांसारिक विषयों में डूबा हो उस का शिष्य कभी भी आध्यात्मिक ज्ञान प्राप्ति कर ही नहीं सकता। जिस तरह कीचड़ को गंदे पानी से धोने से उस के दाग नहीं जाते उसी प्रकार विषयों में डूबा गुरू कभी अपने शिष्य का भला नहीं कर सकता। यह समस्त संसार को उपदेश देते हैं कि मोह–माया का त्याग करो लेकिन खुद इस चक्कर में पड़े रहते हैं कि कैसे भोली भाली जनता को मूर्ख बना कर उन से पैसा ऐंठा जाए। बड़े बड़े चढ़ावों को भगवान के नाम पर स्वीकार कर उस का भोग करते हैं तथा कई ऐसे जघन्य अपराध करते हैं जिनसे मानवता की रूह तक काँप जाए। अपार संपत्ति के मालिक बन कर समस्त सुविधाओं का भोग करते हैं लेकिन जनता के सामने सच्चे सन्यासी का चोला ओढ़ पुनः उन के विश्वास के साथ खेलते हैं।

भगवान ने केवल इंसान को बनाया लेकिन इन धर्म के ठेकेदारों ने ही विभिन्न धर्मो को बनाया, इन्होंने ये बटवारा किया, इन्होंने ऊँच नीच बनाई। ईश्वर एक है। ईश्वर सर्वोपरि है लेकिन ईश्वर को विभिन्न रूप में विभाजित करने वाले ये धर्म के ठेकेदार हैं। ये भगवान और उनके भक्तों के बीच में बाधक बन कर खड़े हैं। जगह जगह अपनी दुकानें खोल कर बैठे हैं। यदि धर्म के ठेकेदारों का धर्म के नाम पर धंधा यूँही चलता रहा ना वह दिन दूर नहीं जब इस समस्त संसार से प्रेम, भाईचारा, सहानुभूति सब समाप्त हो जाएँगे। केवल धर्मान्धता होगी जिससे हमारा देश कभी प्रगति नहीं कर पाएगा।

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