

Independence Day

The saffron, white and green shone clearly against the sky as a new day began. A day, that rendered us a proud nation. The day when India was freed from the British shackles, after centuries of blood, sweat and tears, seventy one years ago.

The school rose to this occasion with grace, decking out the venue with our national colours. The Tricolour was hoisted and everyone clapped in a wordless moment of pride and glory that they undoubtedly had, in their hearts. The speeches and poems by various students were riveting and inspiring.



Flag hoisting by the Chief Guest.



The Students' Council administering the pledge.



Recipients of the Shishukunj scholarship



Patriotic dance performance by Shishyans and American Exchange Students



Kurien House with the Trophy for Highest Attendance.



Swimming Star Advait Page and coach Mr. Abhilash M T felicitated

Shishukunj Model United Nations

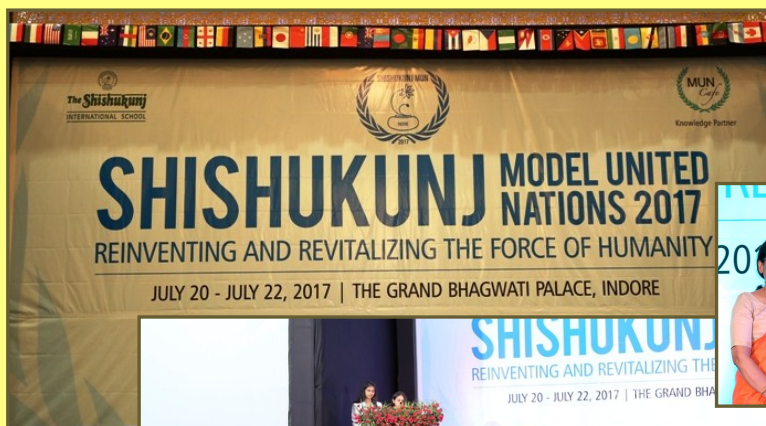
THEME : REINVENTING AND REVITALIZING THE FORCE OF HUMANITY

Shishukunj MUN2017, which saw the participation of approximately 440 delegates from 15 schools from Indore and other cities, was the first conference in M.P. to adopt the UN4MUN procedures.

This conference served as a wonderful platform for the students to hone their public speaking, leadership and research skills. The three days of the conference saw students involved in intense debates and discussions on global issues leading to their resolution by consensus.

The opening ceremony was graced by Mr. R. K. Chaturvedi, Chairman of CBSE. The Guest Lecture Session had three very eminent speakers: Major D. P. Singh, war veteran and Kargil war hero, Mrs. Bharathi Pradhan, eminent journalist and Air Cmdr. K. R. Thakkar.

Padma Shri Dr. Saumitra Rawat, Chairman and Head, Surgical Gastroenterology and Liver Transplant, Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, New Delhi and Mr. P. Narhari, IAS and Ex-Collector of Indore were the guests of honour for the closing ceremony. They gave away the prizes to the delegates and also trophies to the Best Small Delegation and the Best Large Delegation which were won respectively by The Sanskaar Valley School, Bhopal and The Daly College, Indore.



Teachers' Day

The Students' Council took the lead in organizing a short and very sweet programme for the teachers. Their love, gratitude and affection for their mentors was evident in every item of the programme. Right from organizing games which belonged to the 'era' of the teachers, to conveying



messages from the

alumni of the school - they did it all. A band by the young musicians performing soulful numbers of the yesteryears concluded the programme.

A special musical evening was organized for all educators.

Renowned singer Mohammad Vakil and his troupe enlivened the evening with their performance.



Alumni Meet

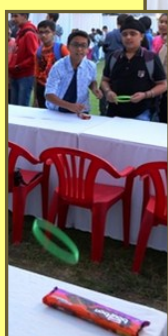
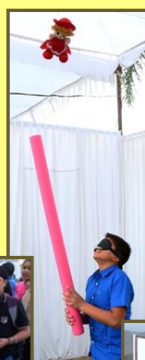


It was once again a time for bonhomie and togetherness as the alumni of the school came in large numbers for the 5th Alumni Meet of the school. Memories were refreshed as students shared precious moments with their teachers and classmates.



Utsav 2017

It was an evening of fun and frolic for Shishyans as teachers of the Senior school got together to organize Utsav 2017 – the Annual Fun Fair to celebrate Childrens' Day in the school. The school ground was transformed into a games and eating zone of which Shishyans just could not have enough!



Ojas—Sports Awards 2017

Students who had excelled in various sports during the academic session 2016-17 were awarded certificates during Ojas - The Sports Award Ceremony. Advait Page was specially felicitated during this ceremony for his record-setting feat in swimming.



Inter-School Mime Competition

11 schools participated in the Inter School Mime Competition held at The Shishukunj International School. The theme for the event, organised under the aegis of the Indore Sahodaya Schools Complex, was 'Tribute to Parents'. The judges for the event were renowned theatre personalities: Shri Santosh Joshi, Shri Jaydeep Singh Sisodia and Smt. Mona Thakur.



The best three performances were by:
Sri Satya Sai Vidya Vihar
Bhawan's Prominent School
SICA School- Scheme no. 78



Nandan Katha

Shishukunj hosted the play Nandan Katha, presented by Natyakulam, Jaipur. Written and directed by Bharat Ratna Shri Bhargava, this play portrays the journey of a middle class village boy. What made this play very 'different' was that it comprised

of a cast which

was visually challenged. The message that the play conveyed was so very relevant: Challenges are just a stepping stone to success.



Bharatnatyam Recital

Shishyans, under the aegis of SPICMACAY, were privileged to have in their midst renowned Bharat Natyam dancer Smt. Uma Nambudripad Sathya Narayanan, a senior disciple of the legendary Bharatanatyam dancer and choreographer Guru Smt. Chitra Visweswaran (Padmashree awardee). The artiste enthralled the students and educators with her performance and explained the nuances of the dance form.



Heritage Exhibition

Students of Classes VI – VIII witnessed an exhibition of rare artefacts including rare coins, error notes (currency), tribal jewellery, watches, rare items of daily use, etc. collected by Mr. Rohit Khanna.



Talk on Career Options

Mr. Sameer Golwelkar, had an interactive session with students of Classes X and XI impressing upon them the need to identify their passions and match their career choices with their passions.



Dancing Sensations

Urvashi Dighe, Class VIII, and Vidushi Dawar of Class V, travelled to Europe to participate in the VIII International Summer Festival "Meet the Tradition" at Montecatini Terme in Italy. As part of The Naadyog Group, they also participated in the prestigious 10th International Competition and Festival of Folklore, Dance and Music "ETOILES DE PARIS", where they performed before an



International Jury and the Parisian audience. The Naadyog group was declared the absolute winner and was awarded the Grand Prix of the Festival, along with the Diploma Grand Prix. The Group then visited Berlin, Germany to perform at the Tagore Center, The Embassy of India, Berlin. Their spectacular performance was highly appreciated by the Germans who kept applauding until every dancer left the stage.

Out in the Wild

Students of Classes VIII - X went to adventure camps in Dharamshala, Sitlakheth and Kambre. The activities planned for them were designed to test their endurance and teach them survival skills. Rafting, rock climbing, rope exercises, trekking and navigating using the magnetic compass were thoroughly enjoyed by the students. The night out wherein the students had to pitch their own tents and cook their own meals was a novel experience. Team work, co ordination, self confidence and persistence, were some of the skills the students developed during these adventure camps.



Ivy League Entrant

Pranit Gupta, Class XII, attended the United Nations Youth Assembly held at UN Headquarters in New York City. He was one of the five Indians joining delegates from 110 countries. Pranit has already got admission into Dartmouth College, which is a member of the Ivy League and consistently ranked among the world's greatest academic institutions. He will be studying Economics at Full scholarship amounting to 1.5 Crore rupees.



Rohan excels in Music

Rohan Singhal, Class VI, participated in the National Harmonica League at Bristle (UK), Youth Category in Solo Jazz/ Solo Blues & Rock/ Solo Melody, and received Player of the Year Award in all three categories. He also participated in the World Harmonica Championship - November 2017 at Trossingen, Germany. In Diatonic Blues/Rock/Folk/Country, Rohan secured the 5th Position and in Solo Diatonic/ Jazz/Melody he secured the 3rd Position.



Wordilicious!! Into the Word World !

The 6th Shri Jugrajji Mehta English Word Power Competition saw the participation of over 30 participants of Classes VII and VIII from 15 schools of the city. All the bibliophiles and lexicomanes dug up their minds and enjoyed the ride, for certainly the word battle was more than a joyride for such adept minds.

The winning teams were :
Excellent Word Power – Advanced Academy

Commendable Word Power- Mount Litera Zee School

Praiseworthy Word Power – The Emerald Heights International School



The smart, poised and extremely careful stage conduct of the anchors added to the perfection of the whole event.

The students who anchored the show were:
Advika Singh, X F
Diti Rawat, XI G
Hridhima Tyagi, X B
Riddhi Singhania, X D
Vasudha Gupta, X D
Vedika Chawla, X E
Mohak Bansal, X D



Debate Competition



Jai Joshi, Class XI, bagged the First Prize in the Inter School Debate Competition organized by Indore Public School. Speaking for the motion: 'Will pasting grades on bulletin boards publicly motivate students to perform better or is it humiliating?' Jai, with his very logical arguments and excellent oratory skills, enthralled the judges and audience alike.

Speech Competition

Shruti Biyani, Class XI B, won the First Prize in the Inter School Speech Competition organized by Guru Harkrishan Public School for her excellent speech on the topic: 'What Stops India from becoming a Developed Nation'.



Drawing and Painting Competition

The artists of Shishukunj impressed one and all at the Inter School Drawing and Painting Competition organized by IPPS, Indore. Competing with almost 200 artists from 20 schools across the city, Shishyans came home with several prizes.



Rupika Rathod, Class VIII - III Prize

Manvi Jaju, Class IX - III Prize

Harshita Nehlani, Class IX - Consolation Prize

Folk Song Competition

The annual Folk Song Competition was held with the Independence Day celebrations. Punjabi, Bundelkhandi, Rajasthani and Nimari folk songs found an audience in this competition. The students sang with the correct laya and taal, while the audience swayed to the beats of the accompanists.

The results were as follows:

First Position: Narayanmurthy House

Second Position: Kalam House

Third Position: Dhyanchand House



English Declamation

Steve Jobs, Kailash Satyarthi, Shashi Tharoor, Narendra Modi, Martin Luther King, along with many others came alive on stage during the English Declamation Competition held for Classes IX - XI. The audience listened with rapt attention and applauded each speaker enthusiastically. The results were as follows :

Individual Result

First: Adviteeya Khujneri - Kalam House

Second: Hardik Pamdey - Narayanmurthy House

Third: Jai Rathi - Kurien House

Overall House Result

First Position: Narayanmurthy House

Second Position: Kalam House

Third Position: Kurien House



G K Quiz

A quiz to assess the general knowledge of the students was conducted for Classes VI - VIII. The quiz comprised of rounds based on current affairs, sports, films, history, science, etc. The Bidding Round and the Rapid Fire Round tilted the scores and led the quiz to a nail biting finish.

The results were as follows:

First Position: Kalam House

Second Position: Dhyanchand House

Third Position: Kurien House and Narayanmurthy House



Senior Bal Vigyan 2017

Shishyans put up an exemplary performance at the Bal Vigyan competition. Their innovative presentations enthralled the judges and the audience and they bagged the prize for the Best Project in Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics, Biology, Commerce and Computer Science.



Resonance

Junior Science Quiz

The much awaited Science quiz for students of Classes VI – VIII was a great learning experience for all the students as each answer was followed by the correct explanation by the Quiz Master.

Students enthusiastically watched the Visual and Demonstration rounds while quietly guessing the answers.

The audience was equally prepared to answer the Audience Round questions and add the required sparkle to the score of their houses. All the teams were well prepared and gave a tough fight to each other.

The results were as follows:

First Position: Narayanmurthy House
and Kurien House

Third Position: Dhyanchand House



Senior Science Quiz

The Science Quiz for students of Classes IX – XII had varied and interesting rounds. What was unique about this quiz was that the teams had not only to answer the questions but also explain and give a reason for their answer.

The most awaited part of the quiz was the Demonstration Round which was thoroughly enjoyed by students as they found scientific reasons for seemingly magical tricks happening before their eyes. The innovation round was a real test for their creative intelligence and students proved it by suggesting designs beyond expectations.

The scholars in the audience got a chance to show their calibre during the Audience Rounds, making the quiz as enthralling as a reality show.

The results were as follows:

First Position: Kurien House

Second Position: Narayanmurthy House

Third Position: Kalam House



Hindi Debate Competition

The Hindi Department organized yet another debate, albeit with a difference. This debate was organized for students who had not participated in a public speaking competition before. The talent unearthed was immense and it was a delight to see the students speak with such confidence and conviction. Speakers argued vehemently on the topic, 'In the Present Social Scenario, Old Age Homes are the Need of the Hour'.

The results were as follows :

Speaking For the Motion

First: Yashowardhan Dubey - Narayanmurthy House

Second: Rusham Singh Bais - Dhyanchand House

Speaking Against the Motion

First: Parin Agrawal - Narayanmurthy House

Second: Gurjot Singh Bedi - Dhyanchand House

Math Quiz

Teams comprising students of Classes VI – VIII racked their brains, added, subtracted, divided and multiplied, quickly and correctly to come up with the correct answers during the Inter-House Maths Quiz.

The results were as follows:

First Position: Kalam House

Second Position: Kurien House

Third Position: Dhyanchand House



Wall Magazine

July Theme: Water Conservation

First: Kalam House

Second: Dhyanchand House

Third: Kurien House

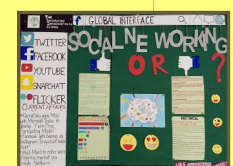
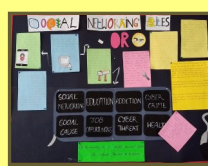


August Theme: Social Networking -
- a boon or a bane?

First: Narayanmurthy House

Second: Kalam House

Third: Dhyanchand House

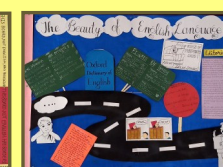


October Theme: The Beauty of the
English Language

First: Kalam House

Second: Kurien House

Third: Narayanmurthy House



Volunteers from AFS Hungary

08 volunteers from AFS Hungary visited the school. They were impressed with the infrastructure and opportunities provided by the school to its students. During this campus tour, they took time out to play a game of table tennis, dance to a few Bollywood numbers and also try their hand at the potter's wheel. The traditional Indian lunch had them literally licking their fingers!



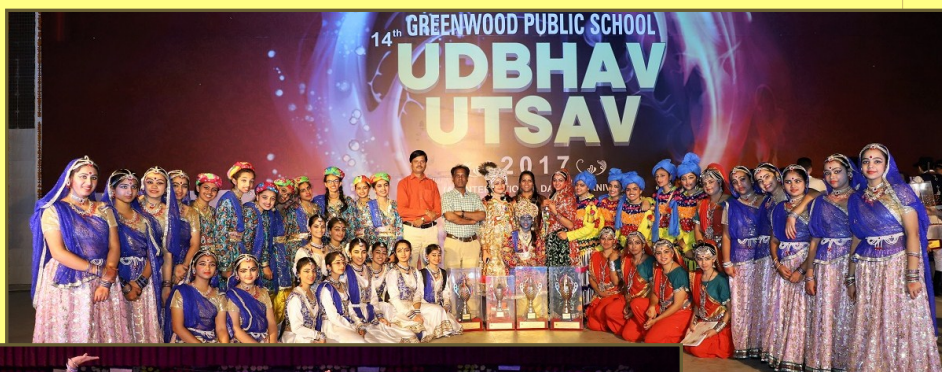
IAYP Bronze Level

Heartiest Congratulations to the following students for receiving the IAYP Bronze Award during the Session 2016-17. They fulfilled the required criteria of the four aspects of the programme: skills, social service, sports and adventure. The students are:

Adi Dantre, X B
 Bhakti Badlani, XI B
 Devesh Joshi, X G
 Diti Rawat, XI G
 Srishti Bairoliya, XI G
 Shreya Chhaged, XI G
 Nandini Agrawal, X G
 Omisha Purohit, XI E
 Madhav, Kapoor, X G
 Mishika Lunia, XI E
 Taher Shakruwala, XI C
 Krutika Bhojwani, X E
 Sheel Kataria, X C

International Dance Festival

The dance troupe, comprising 32 students of the School, created waves at the International Dance Festival, 'Udbhava Utsav', organized at Greenwood Public School, Gwalior. Competing with 42 schools from India and around the world, they bagged the first prize in the Classical Dance (school category) and also in the Folk Dance (school category).



Swimming

Star swimmer Advait Page did India proud by his stunning performance at the Asian Age Group Aquatic Championship held at Tashkent, Uzbekistan. Competing against swimmers from 46 countries, Advait broke several records and emerged a winner.

His tally of medals is as follows:

- Gold Medal in 1500 mts Free Style
- Silver Medal in 800 mts Free Style
- Bronze Medal in 400 mts Individual Medley



Advait's father receiving the Ojas Award for him.

Table Tennis

Sahodaya Table Tennis tournament was held at Advanced Academy.

U-19 girls' team won the Gold Medal

Ishita Gupta - Class X A

Vasudha Gupta - Class X A

Janvi Nadkar - Class VII A

Tanvi Shah - Class X B



U-14 boys' team won the Bronze Medal

Nabh Patodi – Class VIII

Avanish Agrawal - Class VIII

Sameer Chopra - Class VII

Saharsh Baweja – Class VI

Basketball

The U-17 girls won the Silver Medal in the CBSE cluster Basketball Tournament held at Gurukul School, Dhamnod.



Harshita Chitlangia – Class XI A

Surbhi Malu - Class X C

Ritu Kataria - Class X C

Dhwani Sureka - Class IX E

Tamanna Nain - Class IX F

Gargi Maheshwari - Class IX G

Siddhi Malu - Class VI B

Chhavi Gupta - Class X E

Manvi Agrawal - Class VIII D

Nandini Deodia - Class IX C

Gunvi Agrawal - Class VI B

Saniya Wadhwani - VIII G