

Editorial



The academic session 2012-13 appears to have raced past at super sonic speed ! It seems just yesterday that the school reopened and before we realized, it was time for the Graduation Ceremony, the Farewell and finally the board exams for Class XII ! We can all look back with satisfaction at the session gone by. There has been a lot of learning, a lot of fun and a lot of excitement !

We now begin the new session with renewed hope and vigour and are determined to maintain the high standards of the school. We continue to work on areas which need our attention, for it is our earnest endeavour, not just to make Shishukunj a good school but truly a center of excellence.

As the school closes for the summer break, we wish you all healthy and happy vacations. We hope these vacations will enable you to spend quality time with your children and be a part of their lives, their friends and their world. May these vacations strengthen the bond between you and your children, a bond which is the undisputed foundation of a balanced personality.

So, until the next issue of Setu , Happy Holidays and Happy Bonding !

The Graduation Ceremony

Batch 2012-13

The Graduation Ceremony for the Class XII batch 2012 -13 was graced by Hon'ble Justice V.S. Kokje, Former Governor of Himachal Pradesh and Veer Chakra recipient, Col. Lalit Rai, the Kargil hero. The solemn and graceful ceremony was interspersed with songs by our school choir and speeches by a parent and the outgoing head boy and head girl.

It was indeed a memorable day with good wishes being showered on the outgoing students by each and every one present in the audience.



So Long, FAREWELL...

The farewell that followed showcased not only the talent but also the leadership skills of Class XI. They worked hard to put together an evening full of fun, games and music for their seniors.



Inter School Events



The school once again hosted the Shri Jugraji Mehta Inter School Literary competition, Word Power in which 16 leading schools of the city participated.

This competition comprised of various rounds, all of which were designed to test the vocabulary or the "Word Power" of the participants. The results were as follows.

Trophy for Excellent Performance - Choithram School Manik Bagh.

Commendable Performance - Delhi Public School

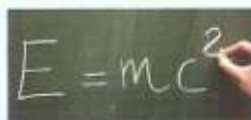
Appreciable Performance - The Bhavan's Prominent.



Republic Day Celebration

Patriotic songs, speeches and poems marked the Republic Day celebrations for which the Chief Guest was Jyotsana Didi, a very dedicated and sincere worker of the school.

On this day the trophy for the house with the best performance in cultural and literary events was awarded to Kalam House.



We are happy to announce that Shishukunj has started a school integrated JEE coaching programme for students of Classes XI/XII. Specialized training is being imparted (during school hours) for admission to leading engineering institutes including IIT's. This not only gives students good coaching by an experienced faculty but also saves their time and energy, thereby making more time available for self study.



Inter House Events

The Inter House English Panel Discussion for students of Classes IX-XII gave a platform to our young thinkers to express their views freely and frankly. The topics of the discussions were very student oriented and required the participants to think 'out of the box'. The confidence with which the contestants expressed their views was praiseworthy.

To infuse enthusiasm and motivation among all Shishyans, a house meet was organized for students of Classes IX-XII, wherein the list of activities planned for the academic session 2013-14 was unveiled. The house mistresses impressed upon the students the need to participate in the various house events and work hard to ensure that their house performs well throughout the year.

The first Inter house competition of the new session 2013-14, Word Power, was organized for classes IX-XII. Participants of all the four houses battled to find the "Right Word" and make their house win. It was not only a tough fight, but also an educative one, as the audience was exposed to several new words which they were not familiar with !



Learning beyond the Classroom

Students of Classes VI and VII visited a farm to learn, first hand, the nuances of sowing, reaping, harvesting, etc. It was interesting for them to learn how the 'wheat' which makes their chapatis is actually grown. They returned 'grounded' and happy, asking for a trip to the farm every month !

Sleeping in tents under the moonlit sky, away from the hustle and bustle of the city was an entirely different experience for Shishyans of classes VI, VII and X as they went for an overnight adventure camp to Safari park. Flying fox, wall climbing, zorbing, Burma bridge, etc. were some of the activities planned for them. The emphasis was on team work and the ability to adjust in an entirely different environment !



SPICMACAY



Two renowned artistes performed in the school under the aegis of SPICMACAY. Mrs. Ragini Chandrashekhar enthralled the audience not only with her delightful performance but also with her vivid explanation of the nuances of Bharat Natyam as a dance form.

Shri Sarwar Hussain, one of the most accomplished and promising musicians of the younger generation of Sarangi exponents in India performed at the school. He was accompanied by Shri Nafees Ahmad Khan on the tabla and Aamir Ahmad Khan on the swar mandal.



Our Honourable Guests ...



Prof. Narendra Nayak, renowned rationalist, inspired the students to inculcate a scientific temper and think logically. His message was loud and clear... do not believe in superstitions or follow them blindly. A very relevant message for today's generation, very much in line with the award winning film, 'Oh My God.'

Col. Lalit Rai - 'It was the most inspiring lecture I have ever attended'. This was the remark on everyone's lips ... be it the students or educators. Col. Rai moved the audience with his lecture describing in detail the ordeals faced by our soldiers guarding our borders and fighting for our safety.



Towards a cause ...



Students visited the zero energy Education park in Khargone to extend support to the national and global concern for energy conservation. This pioneer project, led by Dr. Chetan Solanki aims to provide 1000,000 solar lights to students in Khargone district by August 15, 2013. Shishukunj made a humble contribution of 500 lamps to dispel the darkness in the villages. A small gesture which will go a long way in making a difference.



Rains could not deter the spirit of the budding 'Beckhams'. In spite of inclement weather, 20 leading schools of the city participated in the 4th Shri Indubhai Davey Memorial Interschool Football Tournament.

The winners were as follows :

Winner : Delhi Public School

1st Runner Up : The Emerald Heights International School

2nd Runner Up : Advanced Academy

Our Swimmers once again brought laurels to our school in the 1st C.M. Games held at Shri Lakshman Singh Chouhan Taran Pushkar. The final medal tally was :

GOLD MEDALS - 10

SILVER MEDALS - 09

BRONZE MEDALS - 09



International News



Four students from Shishukunj have been selected for a Short Term Exchange Programme to Germany being organized by AFS. These students will stay in Germany for two months, live with a German family and also attend a German school. We wish our young ambassadors all the very best.

Class Exchange

18 students accompanied by 02 educators are proceeding for a Class exchange programme to Italy on 18 May 2013. They will be hosted by an Italian school & will participate in several activities specially planned for them. We are sure this cultural exchange will be a wonderful experience for them. Bon voyage !