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STRENGTH OF A NATION

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Every good citizen adds to the strength of a nation.

- GORDON B. HINCKLEY

WE THE PEOPLE

The first unit of society is the individual and the coming together of all individuals creates 'We the People' a collective that can have a vision for a nation.

This edition of Stephania is themed 'We the People'. The Indian Constitution begins with these words. The journey from the oneness of 'I' to the unity of 'We' requires acceptance and inclusion. People exude a sense of power that lies in their hands. Realizing that strength lies in the unity of a nation, we, the people could make changes for a better world. Taking this idea on a global level, we must act with a common goal in mind, being responsible towards nature and mankind. Each generation will then strive to create a 'more perfect union' for those yet to come.

Returning to School after the Mid-Term Break, Stephanians went head long into balancing their academics with the District Level tournaments. Excelling in every sport event they participated in, proved that vision and the power to succeed go hand in hand. At the same time, preparing for internal exams as well as the Boards, our students are ready to take on the world.

It seems like just 365 days ago we said this... Nevertheless, we wish you all a Happy New Year! Here's to feeling thankful for the year that's gone by and being enthusiastic for the year 2023 and all the blessings it will bring forth.

- THE EDITORS

SCHOOL'S MISSION STATEMENT

St. Stephen's is committed to Making Quality Education Accessible and building the character of its students by inculcating the values of Self Discipline, Integrity, Mutual Respect, Pursuit of Excellence, Learning for Life and Environmental Management (SIMPLE). The School will build language fluency and improve reading habits of the students and will also continue to introduce one educational innovation each year to make learning more meaningful. The School will continue to be a model employer and invest in teacher training and development.

CAMPUS STORIES

We, the People of India

Celebrating Our Thirty-Sixth Annual Day And Prize Giving Function

“If our Constitution is a tree... its values are the roots and the branches are: We, the People!”

There are values that we live for and live by. Through this academic session, our School celebrated the Value of Reading. As our country marked 75 years of Independence, St. Stephen's celebrated the 36th Annual Function held on October 15, 2022 on the theme 'We the People.'

The Annual Exhibition was based on the themes: Value of Reading and the Indian Constitution. All departments showcased their projects in an innovative and creative manner. The English exhibition reflected the importance of reading and how one can travel the world of imagination through books. The Hindi exhibition displayed the saga of *Mahabharat*. The Social Science department explored the historical journey of making of the Constitution. The students prepared Apps using different software and A-I models in the Computer Science exhibition. The Fine Arts was vibrant with colours of the traditional *Phad* Paintings and the popular painting of 'Cat with Red Fish' by Henri Matisse. In the Mathematics exhibition, the origami and cubical lamps were the highlight. The Science and Commerce exhibitions were based on different scientific phenomenon and economic principles respectively. The students participated in the exhibition with the motive of learning real-life application of their subjects.

The Stephanians took the audience on a journey into knowing the ideals

of our Constitution and how we are a part of it.



It is always a pleasure to look back at the year and reflect on all the accolades won by the students and the spectacular events that have happened at School. The Principal, presented the Annual Report - a visual review of the academic year, 2022-2023. The Chief Guest, Ambassador Shri Rahul Chhabra, I.F.S. (Retd.), in his address, praised the academic and co-educational activities of the students. He appreciated the efforts of the School in providing a holistic development for the students. He also said that it was remarkable to see a joyful learning environment without pressure that enables every student to succeed.

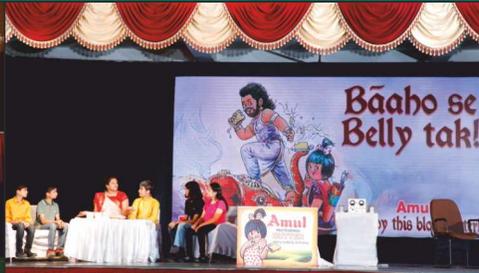
The cultural programme commenced with a heartwarming welcome performance, *Shubb Din*, followed by the melody of the song,

If our Constitution is a tree... its values are the roots and the branches are: We, the People

Hum Log! We, the People. A fusion of *Kathak* and Cup Clap performance showed how India adopted a foreign rhythm and made its own just like how the French

ideals of Liberty, Equality and Fraternity became inseparable ideals of our Preamble. The students showcased the ideals of sovereignty and socialism through a contemporary dance performance on *Satyamev Jayate* and an English Play on the White Revolution respectively. This was followed by a dance performance on *Mumkin Hai*. The spirit of Secularism and Democracy were evoked by an English Play, a song and a *Kathak* performance. Another highlight was the Band performance with NCC, Bulbuls and Guides celebrating the Republic. The tenet of Justice was beautifully showcased through a Hindi Play, *Panch Parmeshwar*. A dance on the song *Shiksha ka Suraj Nikla* and *Hum Deep Shiksha ke Hain* exhibited the mission of our School, Making Quality Education Accessible and the tenet of Equality. The idea of *Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam* was presented through a Fusion Dance that also celebrated Fraternity. The Orchestra performance by the School Band left the audience enthralled and spellbound.

In the grand finale, we renewed our pledge as citizens of India with the Constitution Song penned and composed by folk artists from Barefoot College, Tilonia in our very own district. Amidst the joyfulness and celebratory mood, the talent, passion and enthusiasm exhibited by the performers were all applauded. The Director, in her Vote of Thanks, appreciated the performance of the students and thanked the guests for their presence and encouragement.



Communal Harmony: The Need of the Hour



“Always aim at complete harmony of thought, word and deed. Always aim at purifying your thoughts and everything will be well.”- Mahatma Gandhi

Communal Harmony Week was observed from November 19 to November 25, 2022 with the aim to foster and reinforce the strength of public harmony and national integration. During this week, various activities like Poster Making, Group Dance, Group Song and Essay Writing were organised for classes VI to IX to sensitize the students towards India’s multi-ethnic and multi-cultural social fabric.



VIGILANCE WEEK

Vigilance Awareness Week is celebrated every year and coincides with the birthday of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, known to be a man of high integrity. To increase the public awareness about the perils of corruption, Vigilance Awareness Week was observed from October 31 to November 6, 2022 on the theme, ‘Corruption free India for a developed Nation’. On November 1, 2022 a team of officials from Bank of Baroda came to the School to generate awareness about the ill effects of corruption. The students of Classes XII-Arts and XII-Commerce attended the session. The officials also asked the students to speak on Corruption and held a Quiz to test the general knowledge of the students. Tanu Sharma, Ojasvi Chaturvedi, Ojasvin Chaturvedi, Aayushi Choudhary and Aaradhya Sharma of Class XII-Arts spoke on corruption and its detrimental effects in our lives. Junaid Hussain of XII-Arts won the Quiz Contest.

TIME PROJECT

To stimulate inquiry-based learning and critical thinking in the students, the Time Project 2022 offered students a forum for discussion on concerns of global interest. On November 25, 2022, 35 students of Classes VIII-XII took part in a series of Video Conferencing sessions conducted in the School through Global Youth Forum, House of Commons (Debate) and Model United Nations. They learnt the importance of SDGs and Human Rights by sharing ideas and proposals with participants from seven different countries: Croatia, Russia, Turkey, Indonesia, Taiwan, Hong Kong and Poland, on issues related to Affordable Clean Energy and Gender Equality. Through these sessions, the students gained awareness of global interdependence and practised the concept of intercultural learning, and learnt more on their role in contributing to a better world.

It was a successful endeavour in which the students interacted with each other on current world issues and promoted international solidarity on a global platform.





CELEBRATING LIFE

Every child is a unique flower and altogether they make this world a beautiful garden. Our school celebrated Children's Day on November 14, 2022 with a lot of fun and excitement. The entire school campus reverberated with applause and laughter of the students as they enjoyed every bit



of the special celebration which included a melodious medley of songs, vibrant dances, beat boxing and inspiring speeches prepared for them by their mentors. The Principal, in his address advised the students to realize the importance of the day and how they are an important part in the nation building exercise. The Director, in her speech focused on the values that need to be incorporated by the students to go on the right path. It was a wonderful day.



CONSTITUTION DAY



'Democracy is a way of life which recognizes liberty, equality and fraternity as the principles of life.'

In order to commemorate the day when the Indian Constitution was adopted, *Samvidhan Divas* or Constitution Day was celebrated on November 26, 2022. The history and importance of the day was discussed with the

students in class, through a book on the Indian Constitution, titled 'We The Children of India: The Preamble To Our Constitution' by Leila Seth. During a special assembly, Tanushree Jain (XI-Arts) read out a brief introduction to the Constitution Day and Divyanshu Sharma (XI-Arts) presented facts on the Constitution. The students of Classes III-XII reaffirmed their commitment to the Indian Constitution by taking the pledge.



36th Annual Sports Meet 2022

Arise! Awake! and stop not till the goal is reached

“You dream. You plan. You reach. There will be obstacles. There will be mistakes. But with hard work, with belief, with confidence and trust in yourself and those around you, there are no limits.” The pleasant weather was the perfect boost for the students

on the 36th Annual Sports Day held on Friday, December 23, 2022. Sports Day is another day where

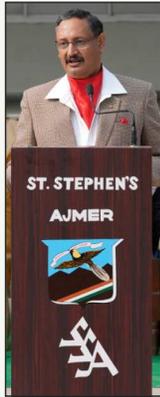
students learn discipline and healthy competition. The Chief Guest for the event was Brigadier Parimal Pant, Station Commander, Kota Military Station.

The Principal, in his welcome address, said that Sports teaches us character and to play by the rules, and as a result it teaches us about life. The day began with the March Past by the marching contingent of the four Houses and the School Brass Band. The marching contingents were led by Deepti Ubana. The lighting of the torch by Jennis Manoj Ojha, marked the start of the Sports events, followed by, the oath taken by Kush Bansal, on behalf of the entire student body.

The cultural events comprised the Drummer's Call by the School Band, song, dance and gymnastics display. The various Inter-House Athletic events encouraged athletes to win glory for their own Houses and their zeal was spurred on by the enthusiastic House members,

cheering for their team with high spirits. The highlights of the day were the Tug of War and 4 x 100 m Relay between the alumni and the present students. The young achievers were awarded with Gold, Silver and Bronze medals by the Chief Guest, who highly appreciated each athlete. The Blue House won the Running Trophy instituted by the St. Stephen's School Society for the Overall Best House and the Pradeep Arjani Cup for the Best House in Games and Sports.

Dev Kishan Mirchandani (Boys Category) and Eera Singh Jajra (Girls Category) were awarded the Running Trophy instituted by the St. Stephen's School Society for the Best Sportsperson in Games and Sports. The trophy for the Best Athlete in Group I were bagged by Dev Kishan Mirchandani (XII-Com B) (Boys) and Eera Singh Jajra (XII-Arts) (Girls), Group II winners were Kunal Singh (IX-C) (Boys) and Kashish Rathore (X-D) (Girls). Rakshit Mathur (VIII-A) (Boys) and Khushi Payal (VIII-A) (Girls) won the Best Athlete trophy in Group III. Puruvijay Soni (X-C) won the Asim Sharma Award for the Best Cricketer. Jennis Manoj Ojha (X-A) and Shreya Bansal (IX-B) were awarded for being members of the State Level Lawn Tennis Winning Team. The Chief Guest, Brigadier Parimal Pant, in his address to the students, spoke of how sports teaches one to win and it also shows that losing is the first step to victory. The main goal of life should be to move forward patiently while facing challenges. Speaking on the importance of mental health, he stressed that one needs to stay calm in all circumstances and seek help if required.



HUBS OF LEARNING

Sensitization Programme on Financial Literacy and Use of Digital Tools

In order to ensure the enhancement of the quality of education and to promote self-improvement, CBSE has taken up several initiatives to positively impact the quality of education. One such measure is Hubs of Learning.

The mission of Hubs of Learning is to create an environment of collaboration for learning, guided by 21st century skills, to promote self-improvement and ensure the enhancement of the quality of education.

St. Stephen's has been assigned the role of Hub Lead Collaborator by the CBSE. Under this mission, a training session was conducted by CBSE on Financial Literacy and Use of Digital Tools on November 23, 2022. This initiative is a part of Activities related to Investor Education and Awareness Initiative in terms of SEBI (Mutual Funds) Regulations, 1996.

The Resource Person was Shri Aishwarya Tripathi, Chairman

of Ajmer Chapter of ICSI. He also works as a Channel Partner with Angel One, Choice Connect and Stoke Note.

St. Stephen's was given the opportunity to host this training session for 92 registered members. The six Hub schools that took part in this training session were Mayoora School, Ajmer, All Saints Senior Secondary School, Ajmer, St. Paul's Senior Secondary School, Ajmer, Demonstration Multipurpose School, Ajmer, Shri Balaji Royal Public School, Ajmer and Emmanuel Mission School, Beawar. It was a very informative session.



CROSS COUNTRY



Finishing a marathon is a state of mind that says 'Anything is Possible'. A much-awaited event on the School calendar is the Cross Country. The race promotes setting long-

term goals and helps students increase physical strength and mental toughness. This year, Cross Country was held on a crisp, chilly Saturday morning of December 17, 2022. 190 students participated in this event. In the Senior category- Boys Harshit Prajapati (XII-Sc), Anirudh Singh Rathore (IX-C) and Dev Kishan Mirchandani (XII-Com B), and in the Senior category-Girls Jennis Manoj Ojha (X-A), Nutan Choudhary (XI-Sc) and Janvi Jain (XII-Arts) were the winners. In the Junior category-Boys Akash Prajapati



(VIII-C), Rakshit Mathur (VIII-A) and Avinash Mirchandani (VIII-A) and in the Girls category Khushi Payal (VIII-A) Hemlata (VIII-A) and Sonu Gujar (VIII-C) were the winners.

GANDHI JAYANTI



The School celebrated the 153rd birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi and the 118th birth anniversary of Lal Bahadur Shastriji on October 2, 2022. An inter-

faith prayer service was conducted. The School choir presented songs such as 'Vaishnav Jan', 'De Di Hume Azadi' in keeping with the importance of the day. The students of classes L.K.G. to V participated in activities



like dressing up and enacting the characters of Gandhiji and Shastriji (online), writing slogans and quotations of Gandhiji and Shastriji. The students of classes III to X also participated in a cleanliness drive. The Principal appreciated the students for their fervour towards the day and spoke about the importance of non-violence and to inculcate it in their lives.

JOYFUL LEARNING EXPERIENCES

A Christmas Story

December 20, 2022 was the day set aside for Christmas celebration for the students of the Pre-Primary Classes. The celebration included students dressing up in red and white attires and bringing their favourite food in their lunch boxes and dancing to the beats of 'Jingle Bells' in the School garden. The spirit and joy of the festival was visible on the faces of the students.



World Soil Day

World Soil Day is observed on December 5 every year to raise soil awareness and encouraging societies to enhance soil health where the journey of the food we eat begins. The theme of World Soil Day this year was Soils: 'Where food begins'. Students of Classes L.K.G. to II were taken out to the School garden to explain soil composting with the help of the gardener. Students were also made aware about the importance of healthy soil and the sustainable management of soil resources.



SHABAD SHAALA

Shabad Shaala is an initiative under the aegis of 'Project Kabir' founded and conceptualized by Shabnam Virmani, to conserve and promote Sufi poetry amongst school children through music. Twenty-eight students of Classes VI and VII participated in this project. In the third session of Shabad Shaala on November 21, 2022, Bengali Baul artist Shri Lokhon Das and his companions taught the students of

Classes VI and VII Sufi songs. They used various instruments like ektara, dotara, dhak, etc.



Achieving With Learning

Primary Sports Day

Good sportsmanship is one of the life lessons that children can learn from sports. While making sure they have a safe and fun sports experience, the Primary Section organized the Annual Sports Meet 2022-23 on November 30, 2022.

The Oath was taken by the athletes to participate in the Sports Day events with literal sportsmanship. The Chief Guest, Ms. Shahina Sherani, Assistant Professor and Head of Department of Physical



Education, Sophia Girls' College Ajmer, inaugurated the sports programme by raising the School Flag.

Students of Classes L.K.G. to V participated in the event. There were various fun races like Jellyfish Race, Rolling on the Mattress Race, Butterfly Race, Pebble Race, Zig-zag Race, Ringing the Hurdle Race, Box and Hula Hoop Race, Let's Bring them Together Race, Jewellery Making Race, Hop and Skip Race, Blow and Hold Race. Students also participated in the 75 m and 100 m races as well as 4 X 100 m Relay for boys and girls. The Gymnastics show put forward by the students was appreciated by everyone. The Chief Guest, in her speech, thanked everyone and congratulated the students for their exceptional performance. She said, that children are a bundle of energy so teachers should ensure that this energy is channelized in the right direction. Children should take part in sports activities whole heartedly.



Inter Class English and Hindi Debate

Diverse perspectives and lively participation are the trademarks of any Debate.

The students of Class V participated in the English and Hindi Debates organized on September 29 and 30, 2022



respectively. The topic of the English Debate was 'Nature can be saved using technology'. The students



coherently spoke out their mind and heart. Aditi Wadhwa (V-C), Saachi Manwani (V-C) and Kritik M. Parihar (V-D) secured the First, Second and Third positions respectively in the English Debate. The topic of the Hindi Debate was 'सोशल मीडिया युवा पीढ़ी की पाठशाला है' Kashvi Choudhary (V-B) and Keerat Bhola (V-D) shared the First position, Ujjwal Kewalramani (V-B) and Manit Sahu (V-C) secured the Second and Third positions respectively. The debating skills of the students left the judges awestruck.

Learning For Life

1. On December 11, 2022, the HRD Mission and Genius Brain recognized Ms. Baljeet Kaur Viridi, (P.G.T.- Political Science and Activity Co-ordinator), St. Stephen's Sr. Sec. School, Ajmer for her pioneering and innovative approach to education and focus on the holistic development of children in the segment of K-12 education in the country. Her dedication towards making quality education accessible by preparing videos for Vidya Daan 3.0 of the Ministry of Education, Govt. of India is remarkable. She was awarded the Bharat Ratna Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Life Time Achievement Award as an Educationist.



3. Ms. Samita Ruby Massey (T.G.T.) and Dr. Anukriti Pareek (P.G.T.) attended a two-day workshop on November 22 and November 23, 2022 on inculcating awareness and sensitizing children about our heritage conducted by INTACH Ajmer Chapter at Gujarati School, Ajmer.



4. **Online Vocational Course on the Indian Constitution:** Twenty-three students of Class XII- Political Science successfully completed an Online



Vocational Course on the Indian Constitution offered by the Department of Legal Affairs, Ministry of Law and Justice in collaboration with NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad which began in February 2022 and received certificates for the same. This was a part of the *Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav* celebration.

2. The Legal Literacy Club was started in our School on March 15, 2019. The main objective of it is to bring legal awareness among the students. On November 17, 2022 the students were given information on *Nakal, Ek Apradh* to make them aware about violation of laws during examination.



A penalty of 10 years imprisonment and a maximum fine of 10 crores will be levied on the perpetrator.



5. Interactive sessions with Honorary Mentor Mr. Anupam Martins for Classes X and XII were held on December 20, 2022 and December 22, 2022. During the session the students enumerated the barriers they encounter while preparing for their examination. They were advised on how they could remove these problem factors to enhance their performance in the Board Examination. Our Honorary Mentor also talked about the importance of self-discipline and the values to inculcate through the acronym, 'PURPOSE', which stands for Purposefulness, Uniformity, Respect,

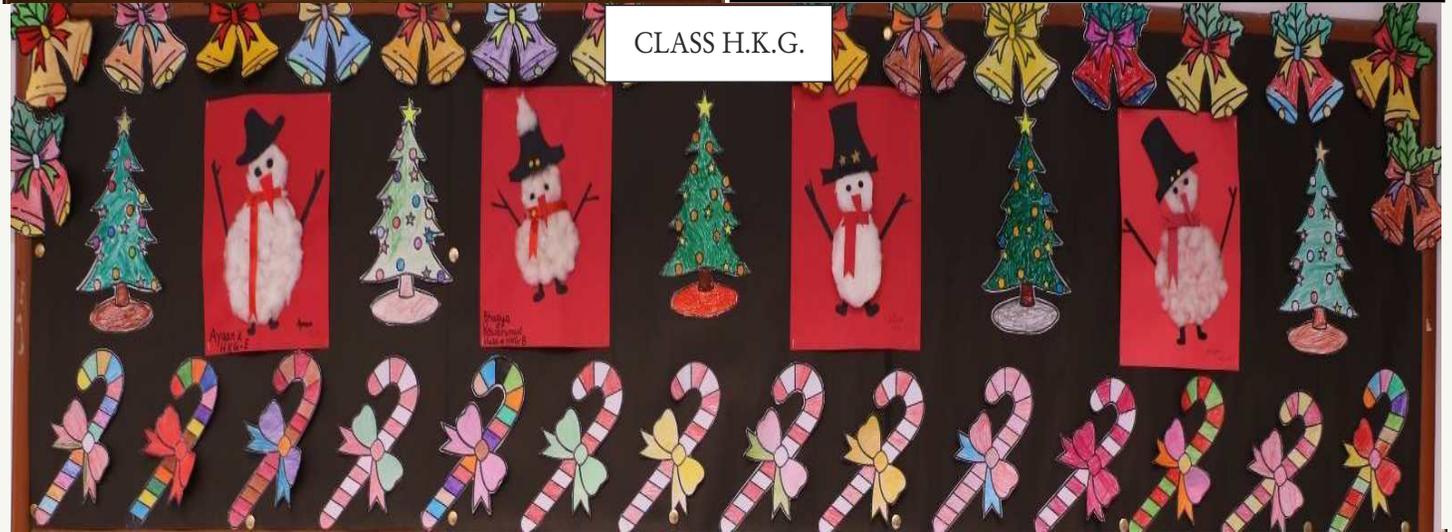
Punctuality, Obedience, Silence and Excellence. Another acronym, 'SIMPLE', which is our school's core values for success too was reiterated, that stands for, Self-Discipline, Integrity, Mutual Respect, Pursuit of Excellence, Learning for Life and Environmental Management. He advised them that persistence and effort will bear fruit and one must compete with one's ownself.



IMPRESSIONS

Art...A Spiritual Experience

Bringing out the artist in every child





CAMPUS STARS

Academics



Congratulations!



Yakshit Khandelwal (V-A) won a Scholarship for the Best Student in Computer Science in the Primary Section.



Mimansa Singh (X-C) received a cash award instituted by the parents of Rupal Mansharamani for hundred percent attendance in class X.



Aarya Dadhich (IX-B) was awarded the Gaurav Bhardwaj Trophy for the Best Student in Computers.



Kashvi Choudhary (V-B) was awarded the B. Martins Running Shield for the Best Student in Primary Section.



(L to R): Vansh Gupta (XII-Com A) was awarded the Running Shield for the Best Student in Commerce Faculty in the Academic Year 2022-23 instituted by St. Stephen's School Society, Ajmer.

Garima Pradutt (XII-Sc) was awarded the Running Shield for the Best Student in Science Faculty in the Academic Year 2022-23 instituted by St. Stephen's School Society, Ajmer.

Tanu Sharma (XII-Arts) was awarded the Running Shield for the Best Student in Arts Faculty in the Academic Year 2022-23 instituted by St. Stephen's School Society, Ajmer.



Chanchal Kanwar (XI-Sc) was awarded the Raj Narain Sharma Gold Medal for the Best Student in General Knowledge.



Chirmi Detha (XII-Sc) was awarded the V.V. John Memorial Running Trophy for Creative Writing for the Year 2022-23.



Aaradhya Sharma (XII-Arts) was awarded the B.V. Pant Gold Medal for the Best All Round Student and the Running Shield for the Best English Debater for the Year 2022- 23 instituted by St. Stephen's School Society, Ajmer.



Khushi Seernani (X-D) was awarded the Running Shield for the Best Hindi Debater for the Year 2022-23 instituted by St. Stephen's School Society, Ajmer.

Co-curricular Activities



(L to R): Chanchal Kanwar (XI-Sc) and Akish Ruben Hala (XI-Arts) secured the First position and Second position respectively (Senior Group) in 'Bharat Ko Jano Pratiyogita-2022' organized by Bharat Vikas Parishad.



(L to R): Chahak Garg (VIII-C) and Sanat Vaishnav (VIII-C) secured the Second position in the Junior Group in 'Bharat Ko Jano Pratiyogita-2022' organized by Bharat Vikas Parishad.

Sports



Standing (L to R): Sonu Gurjar (VIII-C), Amaya Khan (VI-C), Kratika Khubchandani (VI-C), Meghna Mathur (VIII-C) and Lavanya Yadav (VIII-C)

Sitting (L to R): Devika Choudhary (VII-A), Vanya Tanwar (VI-C), Hemlata (VIII-A), Vageesha Mastan (VI-B), Gunjan Charan (VI-A) and Anjali Rawat (VII-D) secured the Second position in the 66th District Level (Under-14 Girls) Basketball Tournament held at Government Upper Primary School, Iyali Kheda, Ajmer.



Standing (L to R): Astuti Kumawat (IX-C), Diksha Charan (X- E), Heer Anuragi (IX-C), Nandini Raimalani (IX-A), Ritika Raj Rajawat (IX-A) and Yashika Gothwal (IX-D)

Sitting (L to R): Samridhi Kaur (IX- C), Safiya Kathat (X- D) and Kashish Rathore (X-D); Inset: Rihi Sharma (IX-B) secured the Second position in the 66th District Level (Under-17 Girls) Basketball Tournament held at Mangal Saklecha Government Senior Secondary School, Ajmer.

Safia Kathat and Kashish Rathore also participated in the 66th State Level (Under-17 Girls) Basketball Tournament held at Smt. Sua Devi Bhansali Govt. Girls Sr. Sec. School, Jasol.



(L to R): Era Singh Jajra (XII-Arts), Riske Raj Singh (XII-Arts), Aanchal Sharma (XI-Arts), Manjari Tolumbia (XII-Arts) and Arsh Khan (XII-Sc.); Inset: Aarti Rathore (XII-Com A) and Alina Mary Thomas (XI-Arts) secured the Third position in the 66th District Level (Under-19 Girls) Basketball Tournament held at Mangal Saklecha Government Senior Secondary School, Ajmer.

Era Singh Jajra and Riske Raj Singh also participated in the 66th State Level (Under-19 Girls) Basketball Tournament held at Smt. Sua Devi Bhansali Govt. Girls Sr. Sec. School, Jasol.



(L to R): Anirudh Rathore (IX-C), Amaan Khan (IX-A) and Ayush Agarwal (XI-Com A) secured the Third position in the 66th District Level (Under-17 Boys) Team Event, Lawn Tennis Tournament held at Mayo Girls' College, Ajmer.

Amaan Khan (IX-A) also secured the Third position in the 66th District Level (Under-17 Boys) Individual category. Amaan Khan and Anirudh Rathore also participated in the 66th State Level Tournament held at Jhunjhunu Jivem Sports Academy, Jhunjhunu.



Rudraksh Singh Rathore (IX-B) secured the First position in the (Under-17) Individual category in the 66th District Level Table-Tennis Championship held at Lawrence & Mayo Public School, Ajmer. Rudraksh also participated in the 66th State Level Tournament held at Jhunjhunu Jivem Sports Academy, Jhunjhunu.



Hanuwant Singh Rathore (IX-D) was awarded the best Cadet-JD (Junior Division) in CATC-2022 Camp conducted by 6 Raj AIR SQN NCC Udaipur (Raj), under the aegis of NCC Group Headquarter, Udaipur and NCC Directorate, Rajasthan.



Standing (L to R): Nushanth Mathur (VII-B), Ujjawal Chhabra (VI-B), Jaisel Detha (VIII-D), Kabir Chhabra (VII-D), Lakshya Maharshi (VII-D), Tarun Ramchandani (VI-D), Arjun Dadhich (VI-D) and Darsh Shekhawat (VII-C)
 Sitting (L to R): Neel Kanth Soni (VI-A), Chitransh Parihar (VI-A), Chitransh Sen (IV-C) and Nikhil Singh Rathore (VI-A)
 Inset: Chitransh Kumar Kath (VI-A), Daksh Bansal (VI-D), Kunal Singh (IX-C) and Abhimanyu Yadav (IX-D) secured the Second position in the District Level (Under-14 Boys) Cricket Tournament held at Khwaja Model School, Ajmer.



Standing (L to R): Divyanshu Narwani (XI-Com A), Dherya Tepan (X-C), Puruvijay Soni (X-C), Adhyan Barotia (X-E), Mohammad Ali (X-C), Digvijay Singh Rajawat (X-E), Tausif Ahmed Khan (X-A) and Lakshya Gupta (IX-D)
 Sitting (L to R): Vaibhav Pratap Singh Jodha (IX-B), Aarush Agarwal (IX-B), Harsh Preet Singh (IX-B), Ajeet Chauhan (VI-B) and Ansh Gupta (VI-B); Inset: Deependra Singh Rawat (IX-A), Falansh Barotia (IX-D), Divyam Pratap Singh Rathore (X-E) secured the First position in the 66th District Level (Under-17 Boys) Cricket Tournament held at Sanskriti..... The School, Ajmer .
 Harsh Preet Singh, Puruvijay Soni, Aarush Agarwal and Dherya Tepan also participated in the 66th State Level (Under-17 Boys) Cricket Tournament held at Good Day Defence School, Hanumangarh.



Shreya Bansal (IX-B) and Jennis Manoj Ojha (X-A) secured the First position (Team Event) in the 66th State Lawn Tennis Tournament (Under-19 Girls) held at Jhunjhunu Jivem Sports Academy, Jhunjhunu.

Jennis also secured the First position in the Individual Category (Under-19 Girls) and was declared number 2 player of Rajasthan. The duo also secured the Second position (Team Event) in the 66th District Lawn Tennis Tournament (Under-19 Girls) held at Mayo Girls' College, Ajmer. Jennis also secured the First position in the Individual category.



Our Star Performers on Annual Sports Day



Dev Kishan Mirchandani (XII-Com B) and Eera Singh Jajra (XII-Arts) were declared the Best Athletes in Group I for the Session 2022-23.



Kunal Singh (IX-C) and Kashish Rathore (X-D) were declared the Best Athletes in Group II for the Session 2022-23.



Rakshit Mathur (VIII-A) and Khushi Payal (VIII-A) were declared the Best Athletes in Group III for the Session 2022-23.



Dev Kishan Mirchandani (XII-Com B) was awarded the Running Trophy instituted by St. Stephen's School Society for the Best Sports Person in the Boys category (2022-23).



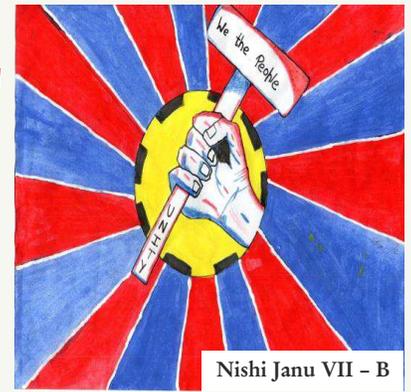
Puruvijay Soni (X-C) received the Asim Sharma Award for the Best Cricketer for the session 2022-23.



Eera Singh Jajra (XII-Arts) was awarded the Running Trophy instituted by St. Stephen's School Society for the Best Sports Person in the Girls category and the Dr. (Mrs.) Deepa Martins Trophy for the Best Athlete (2022-23).

WORDSCAPE

‘We the People of India’ denotes that the people of India are the ultimate leaders, in them lies the real power. Through the poems, pictures and articles, the students have brought forth their responsibilities towards the nation.



COMPREHENSIVE CONSTITUTION

The Preamble of our Constitution begins with the words- We, the People of India. They declare that the Constitution derives its power, not from a king or a congress but from the people themselves. A democracy must be made for the people, and its amendments made by the demand of the people. It states that as a citizen of the Republic of India, Equality, Fraternity and Secularism shall be guaranteed in this independent state. But how did we get here? India has been one of the most diversified countries in the world since its golden age. So what made these people of different ideologies come together? Well it all happened because of the love for our culture and heritage and our unity against the colonialists. People from all over India came together, despite not having any blood relation with each other, the spirit of nationalism never died away in their heart. After our struggle for Independence, our constitution makers had a seemingly impossible task at hand. Preparing a constitution for such a diverse and culture rich country like India was a gruelling task. After having several meetings and many amendments, our constitution was prepared on November 26, 1949 and adopted on January 26, 1950. It is because of their efforts that we are able to breathe freely and live in the largest democracy of the world, India.

Shaikh Kabiruddin Chishty
X-A

WE, THE PEOPLE OF INDIA

We the people of India, stand for liberty;
Brothers and sisters united, living in
the land of the free.

We abide by the Golden Rule; ‘Do unto others, as you would want them to do unto you’. But if our freedom is threatened, together we shall fight. Because...We the People of India, stand proud and tall; When it comes to one another, it is liberty for all.

The people of India, share equality; All races and religions, different as can be; Our nation has grown to greatness, as a melting pot. A home for every colour and proud of all we've got.

For...We the People of India, our future is divine; We work hard on the farm, and in the factory, We the people of India, enjoy prosperity. God bless India, and everyone of us; We the people of India, in God we trust.

Sakshi Doutaniya
VIII-B

CLEAN ENVIRONMENT SAFE ENVIRONMENT

NARRATOR: The students of Senior Public School were known for their moral values. Amongst them Riya, Neha and Aarohi were such students who had a solution for every matter. One day as Neha was returning home from school, she saw a cow chewing a plastic bag. Just then another garbage bag fell from a building in front of Neha. On seeing this she felt concerned about the environment and started thinking about it. As she researched on this topic, she found that plastic has taken over the world. This became a matter of concern for her. One day she spoke to her friends about it.

NEHA: Hey friends! Do you know that oceans contain more than five trillion plastic pieces?

RIYA: OH MY GOD! Five trillion.

NEHA: Yes! From this we come to know that plastic is bad because it is harmful to marine life, animals and for us too.

NARRATOR: As Aarohi was also researching on the topic, she states her opinion.

AAROHI: Think about our daily lives also, from the moment we wake up to the moment we sleep, we use so much of plastic such as using toothbrush, water bottles, tiffins etc.

RIYA: Then we must do something to save the Mother Earth.

NEHA: Yes! I have an excellent solution for this problem. We should educate everyone about it. So that they can also help to stop the use of plastic. But how can we make it possible?

RIYA: Oh we can make a presentation about it. It will surely help us.

NARRATOR: Together, they all made a presentation on the topic Alternatives of Plastic and How to Stop The Use of Plastic.

NEHA: Every day we use more than five million plastic straws. The real question is do we even need a plastic straw to drink, when we can use so many other things such as steel straws, paper straws.

AAROHI: We use plastic plates, when we can simply use plates made of leaves.

RIYA: I have a great idea too. We should follow the three Rs- Reduce, Reuse and Recycle to conserve the environment.

AAROHI: And we should volunteer for clean-ups, we should plant more trees, we should not buy animal-based products.

NEHA: We should conserve energy and switch to renewable energy. We should buy furniture made of bamboo, iron etc.

EVERYONE: We can do something now or never! Let us all save our Mother Earth! We should not know how to recycle waste because environment does not digest it. If you are fantastic then do something drastic to cut plastic!

NARRATOR: This is how they concluded their presentation. Now the real question is, why do we actually use plastic, when there are so many other alternatives of plastic? The simple answer to that is plastic is way more cost effective. But the government is working towards it and we should support them. Nature is heaven, save it otherwise you will lose it. I don't want to just protect the environment, I want to create a world where environment doesn't need protection. The moral of the story is: We should use natural resources properly and reduce the use of plastic to save the environment.

EVERYONE: Thank You.

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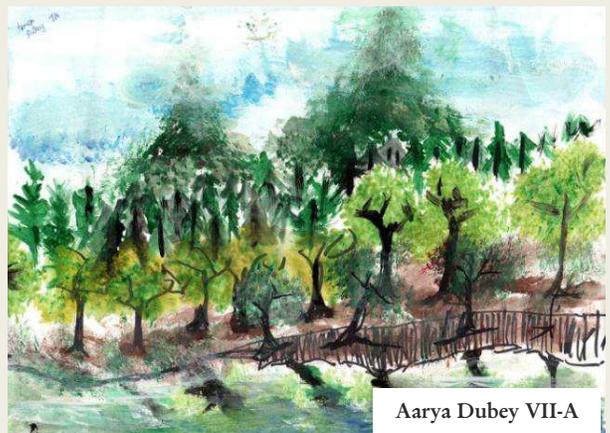
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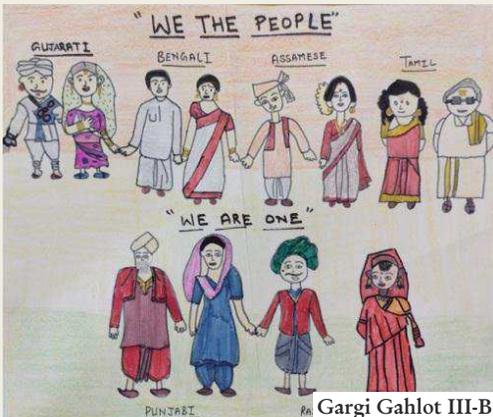
वेदों पुराणों में महागुरुओं ने सिखाया है कि हर मनुष्य भारी भेदों से परिपूर्ण हैं, परंतु उसके अन्तस्थ में विराजमान प्रेम, सद्भाव एवं मानवता की समान डोर से जुड़ा हुआ है। भारत देश की शान है, उसकी विविधता में एकता। इसके चारों कोनों में भिन्न-भिन्न लोग निवास करते हैं परंतु हमारे देश की 'वसुधैव कुटुंबकम्' की प्रथा हमें एक परिवार की तरह जोड़े रखती है।

जब अंग्रेज भारत पर राज करने आए तो उन्होंने हमारी प्रबल एकता की शक्ति को तोड़ा। राजाओं को एक-दूसरे के खिलाफ लड़वा कर हम पर कब्जा किया।

सन् 1947 में हमारे देश ने लंबे समय की गुलामी के बाद आजादी प्राप्त की। हमारी इतिहास की गलती से हमने सबक सीखा कि हमारे देश की अटूट ताकत है हमारी एकता और देशप्रेम का भाव। इस विरासत को बढ़ावा देने एवं एक कानूनी स्तर पर माननीय रूप प्रदान करने हेतु, नवभारत की सबसे महत्वपूर्ण पुस्तक हमारे भारत देश का संविधान 26 जनवरी 1950 को लागू हुआ और हर वर्ष यह दिन गणतंत्र दिवस के रूप में मनाया जाता है। अंतरराष्ट्रीय इतिहास व कानून प्रणाली से प्रेरित हमारे देश ने दुनिया का सबसे दीर्घ संविधान अपनाया। इसमें सामाजिक शांति के कई अविभाजित मूल्यों जैसे स्वतंत्रता, समानता, बंधुत्व, संप्रभुता, समाजवाद, धर्मनिरपेक्षता, लोकतंत्र, गणतंत्र एवं न्याय भी शामिल हुए।

हमारे इतिहास और संस्कृति पर हमें गर्व करना चाहिए क्योंकि – “अलग है हमारे रंग-रूप परंतु अंतर्मन एक है हमारा, भारत माँ से है अनोखा हमारा नाता, क्योंकि हम हैं भारत की जनता।”

संस्कृति गांधी
कक्षा-दसवीं 'अ'



हम भारत के जागरूक नागरिक

महान् वैज्ञानिक अल्बर्ट आइंस्टीन ने कहा था कि 'हम भारतीयों के आभारी हैं, जिन्होंने हमें गिनना सिखाया' जिसके बिना किसी भी तरह की वैज्ञानिक खोज संभव ही नहीं थी। भारत एक लोकतांत्रिक देश है और यहां लोग स्वतंत्रता के साथ रहते हैं और उनके अपने देश के प्रति बहुत से दायित्व हैं भारतीय संविधान के अनुसार हर नागरिक के छह मौलिक अधिकार हैं—समानता का अधिकार, धार्मिक स्वतंत्रता का अधिकार, शोषण के विरुद्ध अधिकार, संस्कृति और शिक्षा का अधिकार, स्वतंत्रता का अधिकार, संवैधानिक उपचारों का अधिकार। इसके अलावा हमारे देश के प्रति कुछ मौलिक कर्तव्य भी हैं जैसे—हमें राष्ट्रीय ध्वज और राष्ट्रगान का सम्मान करना चाहिए, प्राकृतिक वातावरण की रक्षा, संरक्षण और सुधार करना चाहिए, सार्वजनिक संपत्ति की रक्षा करना चाहिए।

परमाणु क्षमता संपन्न देश भारत अंतरिक्ष के क्षेत्र में कई उपलब्धियां हासिल कर चुका है और चंद्रयान की सफलता इसका प्रमाण है। प्रगतिशील विचारधाराओं, कर्मठता एवं समर्पित भाव से ही भारतीय इस देश को सोनचिरैया बनाने में समर्थ होंगे, इसलिए तो कहा है—**अखंडता में एकता, भारत की विशेषता।**

खुशी सीरनानी
कक्षा-दसवीं 'द'

हम लोग

चाहे कितना भी गहरा अंधेरा हो,
उसे आखिर चीर ही देंगे हम लोग।
चारों तरफ हो कालिका,
फिर भी उजाला तलाश ही लेंगे हम लोग।

निराशा ने जब घेरा होगा,
आशा का दामन ही पकड़ेंगे हम लोग।
मुसीबतें तो हजार आएंगी जीवन में,
मिलकर हिम्मत से सामना करेंगे हम लोग।

टुकड़ों में बँटकर जी रहे थे,
अब एकता के सूत्र में ही बंध कर रहेंगे हम लोग।
जब सब एक साथ होंगे, ना मैं, ना तुम,
होंगे केवल हम लोग—हम लोग।

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