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### EMBRACE GROWTH

“ Like a flower,  
embrace every season  
of growth in your life.

- Unknown

## BLOOM AND GROW

As we come to the end of another academic session, we reflect on the journey of our students and the progress they have made. At our School, we strive to create a nurturing environment that allows students to flourish, and this year has been no exception.

Throughout the year, our students have demonstrated remarkable growth and achievement, both academically and personally. They have explored new subjects, developed new skills, and formed lasting friendships. The dedicated teachers and staff have worked tirelessly to provide a supportive and stimulating environment that has encouraged the students to reach their full potential. The commitment to excellence is fuelled by the teachers' own passion for ongoing learning and professional growth.

As we look back on the year, we are proud of the accomplishments of our students. They have shown resilience, determination, and a willingness to learn, and we have no doubt that they will go on to achieve great things. As Nelson Mandela said, “The greatest glory in living lies not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall.” Our students have learned to persevere, to adapt, and to overcome challenges, and these skills will serve them well in the years to come.

As we bid farewell to another academic session, we wish the students the very best for the coming session. We are grateful for the opportunity to have played a part in their growth and development, and we look forward to seeing them bloom and grow even further in the years to come. Congratulations to all our students on a year well done!

- THE EDITORS

## OUR PRIORITIES

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

## Celebrating 75 Years of Sovereign Pride and Patriotism

*"A sovereign nation is built on the pillars of justice, liberty, equality, and fraternity."*

We celebrated the 76<sup>th</sup> Republic Day with great zeal and ardour. The Chief Guest, Dr. Ankur Mathur, an alumnus of our School and Consultant Physician at Arya Neuro Spine and Super Speciality Hospital, Ajmer, graced the occasion and hoisted the tri-colour as the National Anthem resonated in the air, filling all hearts with patriotism and pride.

The NCC Cadets and Scouts, smartly dressed in their uniforms, along with the Marching Contingents of the four Houses, marched briskly to the rhythm of patriotic tunes played by the School Band. The patriotic song, drummers' call, and inspiring speeches generated pride and love for the nation.

The students who excelled in State-Level sports events



Dr. Ankur Mathur  
Consultant Physician at  
Arya Neuro Spine and  
Super Speciality Hospital,  
Ajmer

such as Badminton, Lawn Tennis, Basketball, Table Tennis, Chess, Football, Cricket, Gymnastics, and Volleyball were awarded certificates for their achievements.

In his address, the Chief Guest emphasized the importance of discipline and moral values in a student's life. He applauded the School's efforts in instilling these values and encouraged students to become responsible citizens by engaging in impactful actions. He inspired them to embrace discipline and responsibilities, reminding them that today's disciplined students are tomorrow's ideal citizens, who will bring glory to the nation. The celebration concluded with taking the Constitutional pledge.

The students of classes Nursery to III celebrated Pre-Republic Day on January 25, 2025. They participated in a Show and Tell activity on topics such as the National Flag, National Leaders, and National Symbols. Artistic activities like decorating templates of the National Flag, Lotus, Birds, Map of India, and the Taj Mahal, using a variety of pulses, made the event engaging. An Elocution and Slogan Writing activity added to the spirit of the occasion, making the Republic Day celebration a memorable experience for all.





# A JOURNEY OF MEMORIES AND NEW BEGINNINGS



*'Every ending has a new beginning, and every goodbye carries a promise of a brighter tomorrow.'*

A farewell is a day of mixed feelings, blending the joy of stepping into a new world with the nostalgia of leaving the familiar behind.

On February 8, 2025, our School, bid adieu to the outgoing batch of Class XII. The theme 'Bloom and Grow,' symbolized their growth, resilience, and readiness to embrace new horizons. The programme began with a warm welcome that set an upbeat yet reflective tone for the day. The students were mesmerized by a series of captivating performances including lively dances, enchanting musical acts, and fun interactive games.

The 'Sweet Memories' digital presentation was a heartwarming walk down memory lane, capturing the essence of their School journey-their laughter,

achievements, and unforgettable moments. The atmosphere was charged with emotions as a few students also shared thoughts on their life as a Stephanian, cherishing the friendships and lessons they would carry with them forever.

The Head Boy, Harshit Mirpuri, and the Head Girl, Himanshi, delivered a heartfelt Valedictory Speech. On behalf of the entire batch, they expressed their deep gratitude to the School teachers and their mentors for nurturing their potential and guiding them toward success. The solemn Candle Ceremony symbolized the passing of light, knowledge, and wisdom from the seniors to the juniors.

The Principal, in his address, emphasized the importance of lifelong learning, staying rooted in values, and striving for excellence. He motivated the students to aim high, embrace challenges, and work diligently towards their goals.

The Director, in her address, paid tribute to the founders for their vision and commitment to building a School rooted in excellence, integrity, and compassion. She urged the students to carry forward these values, remain resilient, and strive for greatness in their future endeavours.

The day marked the end of School life for the students of Class XII and the onset of a new journey. May they continue to bloom wherever life plants them and spread their fragrance far and wide!





# PRIMARY SPORTS DAY

## Stepping onto the field with confidence

The Primary Annual Sports Day for classes I to V was held on February 8, 2025. The day brought together talented budding athletes of the Primary Section and showcased their skills across a wide range of sports. The School's alumnus Dr. Vivek Kumar Sharma,



Dr. Vivek Kumar Sharma, Consultant Laparoscopic & Laser Surgeon, Paras Hospital & Prem Hospital, Ajmer

Consultant Laparoscopic & Laser Surgeon, Paras Hospital & Prem Hospital, Ajmer was the Chief Guest for the event. The event opened with the hosting of the School Flag. The lighting of the torch by our torch bearers Avyukt, K i m a y a , T a n m a y , Vikramaditya and Vidhi marked the start of the Sports Day, followed by the O a t h w h i c h w a s administered by Udayveer Singh (V-C) and Vidhi Chauhan (IV-D). Ms. Anita

Dhawan (PRT), delivered the welcome address. A melodious medley of Hindi songs was presented by the students of classes I to V. The Sports events continued with the athletic events of 75 m and 100 m Flat Races.

A Gymnastics and Musical Dance performance by the students of classes III to V kept everybody spellbound. The students' strength and vigour was put to test by various fun races like Brick Race, Sack Race, Find the Colour Ball, Satolia Race, Spray the Hanging Cup Race, Fun With Straw and Paper, Push the Ball, Hula Hoop Race, Line of Sticky Ball Race, Obstacle Race. The 4 x 100 m Relay Races for both boys and girls of classes IV and V were last of the events.

The Chief Guest awarded the winners with medals and congratulated them on their victory. He expressed gratitude to the School and remembered his days at St. Stephen's. He said that though he had never won any medal, he felt great presenting the medals. He said that winning is the ultimate thing but participation is also important. Encouraging the participants, he reiterated that one must participate in Sports as we learn values like discipline, hard work, and sincerity. Hard work and discipline are the key to achieving success in all spheres of life.

The Annual Sports Day for classes Nursery to HKG was held on February 10, 2025. The event took place on the



School playground. The Director Ms. Bharti Tolumbia was the Chief Guest. It commenced with the athletic events of 50 m and 75 m Flat Race for both boys and girls. There were various fun races like Elephant Ring Throw Race, One Box Fun Race, Balancing Ball, Cloth Pin Race, Cones in the Pipe, Tumbler Race. The Director, Principal and Headmistress presented the medals to the winners. In the end, a beautiful musical drill performance was presented by the students of classes I to V. The event showed the importance of Sports in a child's life, which helps with both physical and mental development. It was a day filled with excitement and enthusiasm for our little Stephanians.







# FOUNDER'S DAY

*Celebrating A Legacy That Inspires Generations*



Founder's Day was celebrated on February 20, 2025, honouring the 75<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary of our Founder Principal, Shri Gilroy Martins. An atmosphere of celebration filled the School auditorium with memories, values and experiences of all those closely associated with Sir.

The day was filled with engaging activities reflecting the values and principles on which the School was built. The students actively participated in the birthday celebration. The students of classes I to III prepared creative birthday cards for our Founder. A Gratitude Tree showcasing the Founder's vision was created by the students of classes IV and V, while students of classes VI to VIII wrote down the values they imbibed from Sir Gilroy Martins' life and displayed them.

Even the teachers engaged with great enthusiasm in a group activity, reflecting on our Founder's life and legacy. They shared values that Sir Gilroy Martins strongly believed in which inspired them. These values and principles have been the School's guiding force. The atmosphere was tinged with nostalgia and appreciation. Ms. Shefali Martins, Secretary of St. Stephen's School Society, shared anecdotes from her book '*My Sir*', a tribute to her father. She spoke about the inspiration behind it and the cherished memories that shaped this book.

The Director, in her address, reflected on the profound impact of the Founder's vision, hard work, and dedication. She emphasized how his compassion and values continue to inspire the School community, urging



everyone to uphold his legacy by striving for excellence, fostering innovation, and making a meaningful difference in education.

The Principal, in his address, highlighted the Founder's vision and dedication, which shaped the School into a hub of learning and excellence. He encouraged everyone to uphold these values and continue to strive for greatness in all endeavours. The Vice-Principal further shared memories and experiences related to Sir, making the tribute even more heartfelt.

The celebration concluded on a touching note with a gratitude song '*Sukbriya, Sukbriya*', celebrating the Founder's contributions, sacrifices, and enduring legacy. The auditorium resounded with numerous melodious voices singing the birthday song to Sir Gilroy Martins, making the day truly a special and memorable one.





# Pre-Primary Section Picnic



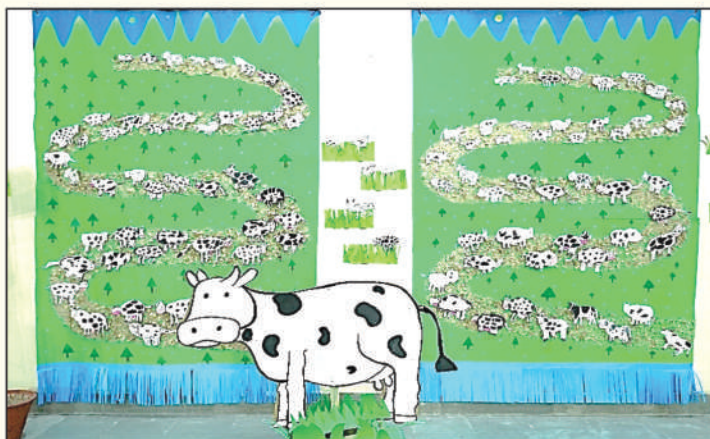
The School organised a fun-filled picnic to *Swad Ri Dhani* for the students of classes Nursery to HKG on January 27 and 28, 2025. They participated in exciting activities and relished the delicious breakfast and lunch offered at the resort. The children danced to lively music, watched a Magic and Puppet Show, and enjoyed the Train and Camel Cart rides. They were also introduced to the rich culture of Rajasthan through the *Kalbelia* performers and the food they ate. After an enjoyable day, our young Stephanians' faces beamed with joy.



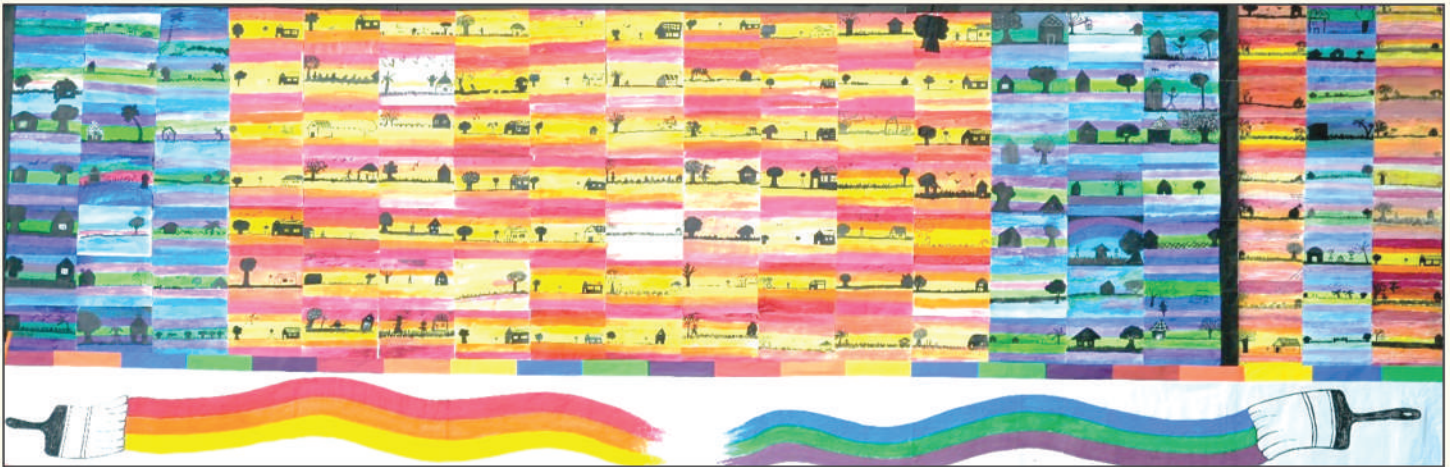


# ART EXHIBITION (PRIMARY SECTION)

## *Big Dreams Little Artists*









# Learning for Life

A one-day workshop on National Curriculum Framework under the aegis of CBSE was held on January 4, 2025. The resource persons were Ms. Sunayana Nagpal and Ms. Seema Sharma. Sixty teachers from both Primary and Secondary Section attended the workshop and received certificates.



A training session on Strategies for Impactful Teaching was held on January 5, 2025 for the Primary and Secondary Section teachers. The resource persons were Mr. Prayag Singh Rajpurohit (Principal), Ms. Deepa Thadani (Vice-Principal) and Dr. Preeti Sharma (TGT).



Eleven students of classes XI and XII successfully completed an 8-week certification internship in Data Science and Artificial Intelligence, conducted by the Centre for Outreach and Digital Education, Indian Institute of Technology, Madras, from October to December 2024. Four students received

completion certificates, while seven students received participation certificates, based on the eligibility criteria. Ms. Vandana Dulani was awarded a Certificate of Appreciation for her role as the Single Point of Contact (SPOC) for the CODE IITM School Connect Program.



Twenty students of Class XI AI successfully completed a two week certification internship programme, from November 2024 to February, 2025, which covered various courses in

Artificial Intelligence and Python Programming. The programme was conducted by IBM Skills Build and YBI Foundation. They also received completion Certificates for Project-Based Learning (Hands-on Experience), Industry Capstone Projects, and Open Source Technologies.

On February 3, 2025, students from classes VI to XI celebrated Surya Saptami by performing Surya Namaskar, a traditional yoga sequence of 12 postures that promote physical flexibility and spiritual well-being, as per the directives of the State Government.



Ms. Minisha David (PRT) and Ms. Anjali Agarwal (PRT) attended a one-day session on Story Telling Pedagogy at Maheshwari Public School, Ajmer on March 1, 2025. The resource persons were Ms. Garima Jain and Ms. Suman Saxena.



## IN MEMORIAM

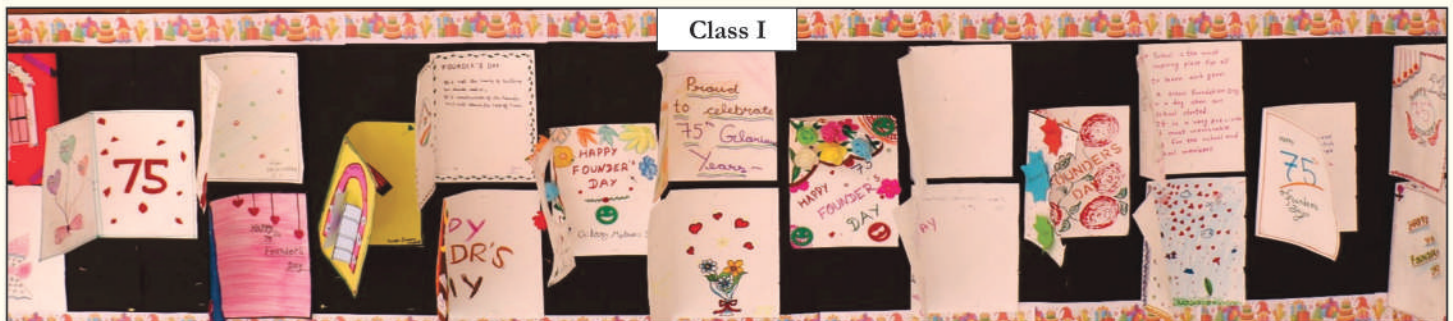
A memorial service was held on February 25, 2025, to commemorate the 20<sup>th</sup> death anniversary of our Founder, Shri Gilroy Martins. An inter-faith prayer service was held and floral tributes were offered by the staff members. The Principal, in his address, honoured our Founder, recognizing his dedication to education. He emphasized that the best way to pay tribute to an educationist is by following his values in our actions and behaviour. Remembering his hard work, he spoke about his leadership, determination, and vision that have shaped generations. The Director, in her address, paid tribute to Sir Gilroy Martins, remembering his unwavering dedication and vision that shaped St. Stephen's. She

emphasized that his legacy lives on in the institution he built and the values he instilled in thousands of people. She urged everyone to honour his memory by upholding his ideals, striving for excellence, and taking the School to new heights.



# IMPRESSIONS

*Art that speaks without words*







# CAMPUS STARS

## Academics

### Congratulations!



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(L to R): Jayesh Keswani (IX-B) and Jiya (IX-B) received a Gold Medal each for being one of the top 25 participants in Grade 9 in the Online Future Tech Olympiad (2024-25).

Sparsh Kewalramani (IX-D) received a Silver Medal, for being one of the top 50 participants in Grade 9 in the Online Future Tech Olympiad (2024-25).



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Kabir Chhabra (IX-D) received a Bronze Medal, for being an exceptional participant from Grade 9 in the Online Future Tech Olympiad (2024-25).

Jayesh was also awarded the Gold Medal of Distinction for securing the 28<sup>th</sup> rank at the Zonal-Level in the SOF - International General Knowledge Olympiad (2024-25).

## Co-curricular Activities



(L to R): Jayonti Khushi Choudhary (VI-A), Anvi Jain (VI-C), Charvi Jain (VI-C), Aradhya Francis (VI-D) and (inset) Drashti (VI-C) secured the Second position in 'Dance Around the World' in the Inter-School competition – '**Symphenia-2025**' held at Delhi World Public School, Ajmer.



Shreyansh Singh Khichi (X-A) (L) and Swapnil Goyal (X-A) (R) were selected for State-Level INTACH National Heritage Quiz held at Mehrangarh Fort, Jodhpur. They qualified the City Round quiz held at Turning Point School in which 104 students of 18 schools participated.



Yashovardhan Kumawat (X-B) (L) and Shreyansh Singh Khichi (X-A) (R) secured the Third position in the XII T.N. Mishra Memorial Quiz organized by Central Academy, Ajmer.



# Sports



Chandra Raj Singh (XI-Arts) (L) and Aakash Prajapati (X-C) (R) participated in the 68<sup>th</sup> State-Level (Under-17 Boys) Football Tournament held at Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Bheemganj Ward, Baran. Chandra Raj secured the First position and the Second position in the 400 meters and 100 meters race respectively at the 68<sup>th</sup> District-Level (Under-17 Boys) Athletics Championship, held at Rashtriya Military School, Ajmer.

He also participated in the 68<sup>th</sup> State-Level (Under-17 Boys) Athletics Championship held at Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Bheem Ganj Ward, Baran.



(L to R): Devika Choudhary (IX-A), Nandini Raimalani (XI-Com A), Yashika Gothwal (XI-Arts), Ameesha Choudhary (XI-Arts), Anjali Rawat (IX-B), Vanshika Rathore (VIII-A), Neha Kanwar (VIII-D) and (inset) Seema Rawat (XI-Arts), Sambhavi Goyal (XI-Com A), Meghna Mathur (X-C) and Sonu Gurjar (X-C) secured the Second position in the 68<sup>th</sup> District-Level (Under-19 Girls) Basketball Tournament held at Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Bhudol, Ajmer.



(L to R): Ronak Dadhich (IX-B), Rohit Bansal (VIII-D), Lakshit Choudhary (VI-B), Naksh Jethani (VI-B) and Akshat Singh (VI-B) secured the First position in the 68<sup>th</sup> District-Level (Under-14 Boys) Lawn Tennis Tournament held at All Saints Sr. Sec. Girls School, Ajmer.

Ronak secured the First position in the Individual category in the AITA talent series organized at Chandrabardai Stadium, Ajmer. He also participated in the 68<sup>th</sup> State-Level (Under-14 Boys) Lawn Tennis Tournament held at Bharat Vidhya Mandir Sr. Sec. School, Jalore.



Amaan Khan (XI-Arts) (L) and Aditya Ojha (XI-Com B) (R) secured the Second position in the 68<sup>th</sup> District-Level (Under-19 Boys) Lawn Tennis Tournament held at Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Naka Madar, Ajmer.

Amaan Khan also secured the Second position in the 68<sup>th</sup> State-Level (Under-19 Boys) Lawn Tennis Tournament held at SMS Stadium, Jaipur.





Rudraksh Singh Rathore (XI-Arts) secured the First position in the Individual category in the 68<sup>th</sup> District-Level (Under-17 Boys) Table Tennis Tournament held at Savitri Govt. Girls Sr. Sec. School, Ajmer.

He also participated in the 68<sup>th</sup> State-Level (Under-17 Boys) Table Tennis Tournament held at Sai Discovery Sr. Sec. School, Ninan Bhadra, Hanumangarh.



Aarya Dubey (IX-B) (L) and Saurabh Chetwani (IX-B) (R) participated in the 68<sup>th</sup> State-Level (Under-17) Chess Championship held at Mahatma Gandhi Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Rampura, Kota.



Anirudh Rathore (XI-Arts) (L) and Mantej Singh Sidhu (IX-B) (R) secured the Third position in the 68<sup>th</sup> District-Level (Under-17 Boys) Lawn Tennis Tournament held at Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Naka Madar, Ajmer.

Anirudh also participated in the 68<sup>th</sup> State-Level (Under-17 Boys) Lawn Tennis Tournament held at SMS Stadium, Jaipur.



(L to R): Naitik Singh Khatri (VIII-C), Dhruv Devga (VIII-C), Nandish Bishnoi (VII-D), Anshuman Sharma (VIII-C), Aryan Agarwal (VII-D), Vansh Kumar (VIII-C), and

Sitting (L to R): Sarthak Jain (VIII-C), Bhavya Bhagchandani (VIII-C), Bhavesh Jangid (VIII-C), Samar Pratap Singh (VIII-C), Gauransh Sharma (VI-C) and (inset) Parth Panwar (VIII-C) secured the Second position in the 68<sup>th</sup> District-Level (Under-14 Boys) Volleyball Tournament held at Vivekanand Bal Niketan Sr. Sec. School, Kharkhedi, Ajmer.

Naitik and Parth also participated in the 68<sup>th</sup> State-Level (Under-14 Boys) Volleyball Tournament held at Tarun Sr. Sec. School, Panditiji Oshiya, Jodhpur (Grameen).



Boudik Saini (VII-C) (L) and Saksham Kumar Tak (VI-C) (R) participated in the 68<sup>th</sup> State-Level (Under-12 Boys) Gymnastics Tournament held at Lawrence and Mayo School, Ajmer.



Aryan Choudhary (XII-Sc) participated in the 68<sup>th</sup> State-Level (Under-19 Boys) Badminton Tournament held at Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Jhalawar.





(L to R): Shaurya Singh Rajpurohit (XI-Com B), Bhavya Parashar (XI-Com A) and Sudarshan Ghusar (XI-Com B) participated in the 68<sup>th</sup> State-Level (Under-19 Boys) Gymnastics Tournament held at Late. Shri Ramjilal Swarnkar Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Kumher (Deeg), Bharatpur.



Ketan Meena (XI-Sc) (L), Kanak Meena (XI-Arts) (R) and (inset) Madhav Khandelwal (IX-A) participated in the 68<sup>th</sup> State-Level (Under-17 Boys) Badminton Tournament held at Govt. Girls Sr. Sec. School, Jhalawar.



(L to R): Aryan Rawat (XI-Com A), Vedant Yadav (VII-B), Boudhik Saini (VII-C), Harshal Sambhawani (VI-C) and Bhavesh Kashvan (VI-D) secured the Second position in the Team event in 68<sup>th</sup> District-Level (Under-17 Boys) Gymnastics Tournament held at Savitri Girls Sr. Sec. School, Ajmer.



#### 1<sup>st</sup> Row from Top

(L to R): Parth Panwar (VIII-C), Shreya Yadav (IX-D), Hitesh Bhagasara (VIII-D), Manan Sharma (VIII-D), Ajeet Chouhan (VIII-B), Swasti Pareek (IX-A), Tanmay Singh Tanwar (VIII-C), and

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Row

(L to R): Vanshika Rathore (VIII-A), Chanchal Jethani (IX-A), Anukalp Mathur (VIII-C), Akshat Saran (VIII-B), Lakshit Aheer (VIII-C), Virat Sahu (VIII-B), Raghav Agarwal (VIII-C), Prisha Angel Bahadur (IX-D), Loveniya Harchandani (VIII-B), and

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Row

(L to R): Nikunj Pareek (VIII-A), Samriddhi Sharma (VIII-A), Aarya Dubey (IX-B), Vaishnavi Sharma (IX-D), Nancy Moolchandani (IX-A), Gunjan Charan (VIII-B), Pranjal Khoiwal (VIII-B), and

#### 4<sup>th</sup> Row

(L to R): Divyanshi Buliwal (VIII-B), S.M. Ayaan (VIII-D), Harshal Sharma (VIII-B), Samar Pratap Singh Rathore (VIII-C), Vansh Kasat (VIII-C), Shri Krishan (VIII-D), Anant Jain (VIII-D), Leena Soni (VIII-A) and (inset) Ananya Pradhan (X-D), Kashika Vijayvargiya (VIII-B), Bhavya Choudhary (X-A), Raghav Chouhan (IX-D), Prakansha Mathur (X-C), Valisha Soni (X-A), Akshra Balchandani (X-D), Soumya Kewalramani (X-D), Lakshita Charan (VIII-A) participated in the 13<sup>th</sup> State-Level Adventure Training Camp held at Pushkar Valley.





Bhavika Bhagasra (VI-A) (L) and Anusha Choudhary (VII-B) (R) participated in the 68<sup>th</sup> State-Level (Under-14 Girls) Badminton Tournament held at Rockwood High School, Chitrakoot Nagar, Udaipur.



Abhinav Joshi (VIII-C) participated in the 68<sup>th</sup> State-Level (Under-14 Boys) Chess Championship held at Prakash Model Sr. Sec. School, Pilibanga, Hanumangarh.



Kathansh Jain (XII-Com A) participated in the 68<sup>th</sup> State-Level (Under-19 Boys) Football Tournament held at Swami Keshwanand Shiksha Sansthan Sr. Sec. School, Sikar.



Sumit Singh Gurjar (XII-Arts) secured the First position in the Field event (Shot put) in the 68<sup>th</sup> District-Level (Under-17 Boys) Athletics Championship held at Rashtriya Military School, Ajmer.

He also participated in the 68<sup>th</sup> State-Level (Under-19 Boys) Athletics Championship held at Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Baran.



Aditya Raj Singh Bika (VIII-D) participated in the 68<sup>th</sup> State-Level (Under-14 Boys) Football Tournament held at Maa Bhagwati Vidyapeeth Senior Secondary School, Tasimo, Dhaulpur.



Aryan Rawat (XI Com A) participated in the 68<sup>th</sup> State level (Under-17 Boys) Gymnastics Tournament held at Late. Shri Ramjilal Swarnkar Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Kumher (Deeg), Bharatpur.



Aabid Khan (X-B) participated in the 68<sup>th</sup> State-Level (Under-17 Boys) Basketball Tournament held at Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Pali.



Vageesha Mastan (VIII-B) (L) and Pranjal Khoiwal (VIII-B) (R) participated in the 68<sup>th</sup> State level (Under-14 Girls) Basketball Tournament held at Future Link Techno Sec. School, Barmer.



Yashika Gothwal (XI-Arts) (L) and Meghna Mathur (X-C) (R) participated in the 68<sup>th</sup> State level (Under-19 Girls) Badminton Tournament held at Maheshwari Public School (Girls), Azad Nagar, Bhilwara.





(L to R): Kritik M Parihar (VII-D), Nikhil Singh Rathore (VIII-A), Daksh Bansal (VIII-D), Tarun Ramchandani (VIII-D), Ahaan Sharma (VII-D), Ansh Gupta (VIII-B), and  
 Sitting (L to R): Chitransh Parihar (VIII-A), Vikramaditya Singh (V-A), Ayan Khan (V-B), Naksh Mathur (VII-D), Mohd. Safi Ullah (VI-D), Kushal Balotia (IV-E) and (inset) Ujjwal Chhabra (VIII-C), Neelkanth Soni (VIII-A), S.M. Ayaan (VIII-D) and Chinmay Jangid (VII-C) secured the Second position in the 68<sup>th</sup> District-Level (Under-14 Boys) Cricket Tournament held at Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Bhudol, Ajmer.  
 Daksh, Tarun and Chitransh also participated in the 68<sup>th</sup> State-Level (Under-14 Boys) Cricket Tournament held at Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Ramri Rooprail, Jhalawar.



Lakshya Gupta (XI-Com A) participated in the 68<sup>th</sup> State-Level (Under-17 Boys) Cricket Tournament held at PM Shri Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Pilibanga, Hanumangarh.



Puru Vijay Soni (XII-Sc) (L) and Divyam Pratap Singh Rathore (XII-Arts) (R) participated in the 68<sup>th</sup> State-Level (Under-19 Boys) Cricket Tournament held at Subhash Chandra Bose Sr. Sec.School, Sahawa, Churu.



# WORDSCAPE

**G**rowth is a journey of learning, resilience, and transformation. Like flowers blossoming in the warmth of the sun, we too flourish when nurtured with knowledge, perseverance, and hope. Through poems, Stephanians have expressed their thoughts on embracing change, overcoming challenges, and thriving in every season of life.



Deepal Tanwar IX-D

## BLOOM AND GROW

**I**n a garden, small and green,  
A tiny seed, yet to be seen.  
Dreams of sunlight, warm and bright,  
And growing tall with all its might.  
  
The rain falls, a gentle shower,  
Nourishing it, hour by hour.  
The roots reach down, so deep and strong,  
As days go by, and seasons long.  
  
A little sprout begins to peek,  
A vibrant green, so soft and meek.  
It stretches up towards the sky,  
Determined now to learn to fly.  
  
And then one day, a bud appears,  
Dispelling all doubts and fears.  
It opens up, a lovely sight,  
A blooming flower, pure and bright.  
  
Like the flower, we too can grow,  
With every challenge, learn and know.  
To bloom and shine, with hearts so bold,  
A story waiting to unfold.

**Deepti Roopchandani**  
VIII-A



Praneel Soni III-D

## BLOSSOM THROUGH THE TIME

**L**ike the dawn that breaks the night,  
Rise with hope, embrace the light.  
Roots run deep, yet reach so high,  
Touch the earth and meet the sky.  
  
A tiny seed, so small, so weak,  
Yet strength is hidden—let it speak.  
Through storm and sun, through rain and snow,  
You learn, you stretch, you bloom, you grow.  
  
Not every day will shine so bright,  
Some bring shadow, some bring fight,  
But even in the darkest gloom,  
A flower dreams, a bud will bloom.  
  
So take your time, don't rush, don't race,  
Life's not meant to be a chase,  
With patience, love, and steady flow,  
You'll find your way—you'll bloom and grow.

**Neelansh Sharma**  
VII-A



Keshav Gupta VI-D



## BRIDGING MINDS

In the yard of wisdom, skills are honed,  
Where teachers learn and students have grown.

Just as teachers bloom in the estate of taxonomy,  
Prodigies also bloom with knowledge and harmony.

Teachers update their lesson plans,  
Students escape to distant lands.  
'Pay attention' the teachers say,  
Wandering minds are on their way.  
So, spring up millennials  
As Alphas are on the sway.  
May the odds be in your favour,  
Keeping all worries at bay,  
The future is yours, and you  
Will always lead the way.

**Ms. Harpreet Kaur**  
TGT English

### प्रकृति से हम

फूलों में बसी है एक नई रोशनी,  
हर सुबह मिलती है खुशबू से ताज़गी।

धूप से खिलते हैं रंगीन सपने,  
हर पल में छिपा है एक सपना।

चमकते हम, जैसे सूरज की किरण,  
जीवन में हर अंधेरा हो विदीर्ण।

खिलते रहो, जैसे फूलों में नूर,  
राहों में बसी हो बस एक पूरी धूर।

परीक्षिता आरा  
कक्षा-नवीं 'स'



## खिलो और बढ़ो

आजादी की राह में बढ़ते रहो,  
कामयाबी की राह में बढ़े चलो,  
इंसानियत की सीढ़ियां चढ़े चलो,  
खिलो और बढ़े चलो,  
खिलो और बढ़े चलो।

रंग-बिरंगे फूलों का संसार बुनो,  
प्राकृतिक सौंदर्य का त्यौहार बनो,  
हर एक पंखुड़ी में छिपा एक गीत बनो,  
हर एक रंग में बसी एक नई रीत चुनो,  
हर एक रंग में बसी एक नई रीत चुनो।

जीवन की राह अगर आसान होए,  
सपनों के बीज को यदि हम बोए,  
जैसे पौधों को धूप और पानी चाहिए,  
हमें जिंदगी जीने की राह चाहिए,  
हमें जिंदगी जीने की राह चाहिए।

बीज का विकास एक लंबी यात्रा है इसे चुनो,  
हर कठिनाई से मिलती एक नई दिशा बनो,  
जैसे पेड़ बढ़ता है निरंतर,  
तुम भी बढ़ते रहो,  
तुम खिलो और बढ़े चलो,  
तुम खिलो और बढ़े चलो।

ऋत्तिक गर्ग  
कक्षा-आठवीं 'ब'





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