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# **EDITION 30**

# **20th MARCH 2019**

# ST. MARY'S SCHOOL, DWARKA

'You don't have to be great to start but you have to start to be great" -Zig Zagler

TOURNAMENT

Once again with this session coming to an end, it's not only time to start afresh and bounce back but also to contemplate and introspect. When I look back at the year that went by, it was definitely filled with pride as our students scaled new heights of achievements in academics, sports, inter-school competitions, district and also national levels. Congratulations to all the winners!

As parents and teachers, there are definitely certain areas which need more focus so that our efforts reach its full potential. One of them is speaking in English. In school we reiterate the fact that until and unless the language is practiced every day in the school, our children will not be able to articulate well. The importance of English cannot be denied as it opens the door for success in every field.

Technology has certainly empowered and transformed our lives. Misuse of technology by our children is another growing concern. Our children are so enamoured by it that it has become a major distraction in their lives. We need to be vigilant about the usage. Correct and controlled use is the key to overcome this concern. In school, we make continuous effort to create awareness about the right use of technology and also counsel them about its hazards. It is imperative for the parents to monitor and keep a check at home.

Our lives are becoming complex and demanding with each passing day. To keep up with the pace of changing trends, we need to evolve our thought process and perspective as individuals, parents and teachers. We need to understand that the world is full of innumerable choices and unlimited possibilities for our children. The need of the hour is to respect their individual differences without drawing any comparisons. We need to help them understand and find their true calling. Happiness is the ultimate goal of life.

Hard work, honesty and discipline are the tenets of happiness. We need to help our children to not shy away from working to the best of their ability. Honesty should become the way of life. Unfair practices in exams and life in general must not be tolerated.

Discipline being the key to success, must be encouraged and inculcated both at school and home.

### VALEDICTORY CEREMONY

22.12.2018 - As is customary, a candle light ceremony was organized for the students of Std. XII and their parents. The poignant evening included readings from various scriptures and a speech by the outgoing school leader and the cultural captain. The Chief Guest for the event, Captain Rohit Bajaj, Principal, Pathways School, Gurugram, and the Principal, Mrs. Sheelu Mathew presented each student with a memento.



### **CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL**

16.12.2018-With much cheer and spirit, the "Christmas Carnival -2018" was organized in the school premises. The students from all the classes actively participated in the carnival and put up a wonderful show. It was a fun-enthused day and the entire field was filled with people of all age-groups enjoying themselves at various stalls like fun-games, dance, delicious food and much more.





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# REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATION

25.01.2019 -To commemorate the 70th Republic Day, Public Speaking/MIME and Music Clubs organized a programme which began with hoisting of the National Flag. Air Commodore P Maheshwar, the Chief Guest for the occasion, received the salute. The NCC cadets marched to the sound of flutes, baggines and drums of the school band. The best house trophy for the Junior Section, was bagged by Shanti House and Std. IB,& VC were declared as most disciplined classes in the Junior Wing. The best house trophies for both the cultural events and the discipline for the senior section was won by Satya House, and for sports, by Aastha House. Std. VIII E and XI B were declared the most disciplined classes in the senior wing. Good Samaritan awards were given to the students who helped the students with special needs.



# WORLD DISABILITY DAY

08.12.2018- We celebrated the World Disability Day with great enthusiasm in the school premises. The children of Aasmaan (A section for developmentally challenged) showcased a lively and vibrant programme on the theme "Music-The Rhythm of Life". It saw the presence of many eminent personalities such as Mr. Vikram Dutt a renowned disability activist and consultant in disability and rehabilitation. Our Principal, Mrs. Sheelu Mathew gave a year-round account of Aasmaan's working and achievements. The program concluded with the silent National Anthem.





# **OPEN DAY (JUNIOR)**

01.12.2018-St. Mary's School Dwarka organized its Junior Open Day, an Educational Carnival filled with fun and frolic This event is organized every year to inculcate values of spending wisely and setting the priorities by choosing from an array of activities like pottery, zipline, magic show, educational games, hair beading, nail art and much more. The students of Std. I to V participated with elan and enthusiasm. The function was presided over by Col. Bikramjeet Singh along with the Vice Chairman St. Mary's School, Mr. Thomas Mathew.



### SPORTS DAY -JUNIOR SCHOOL

07.12.2018-The Junior School Sports Day - 2018 was organized in the School. The chief guest for the occasion was Mrs. Monica Kamra, teacher and a Yoga Practitioner '.The event began with an entertaining dance performance followed by the lighting of the torch. The students enthralled the audience with their yoga postures. Various races including flat race, sack race, relay race, math o fun and an obstacle race were held. The winners were honoured by the Vice Chairman and Vice Principal. The little sports stars with bright faces flaunted their medals and were appreciated by one and all

Std. I -Hopping Race

100m Boys 1st - Satya 2nd - Aastha Boys 1st- Aastha 2nd- Satya Std V -Flat Race 100m

Girls

Girls 1st - Satva 2nd - Shanti 1st - Aastha 2nd - Shanti Std. II -Math O Fun Boys

Boys

1st-Satya 2nd-Shakti 1st - Aastha 2nd - Satya Std. IV & Std. V Relay Race

Girls Boys

1st – Aastha 2nd – Aastha<sub>1st</sub> -Aastha 2nd- Satya Std. III -Sack Race Girls

Bovs Ist-Aastha 2nd-Shanti 1st – Aastha 2nd – Shanti Obstacle Race

Girls Boys 1st - Satya 2nd - Shanti 1st Shanti 2nd Shanti Std IV -Flat Race Girls

100m Girls 1st- Shanti 2nd-Aastha

1st Satya 2nd-Shakti



# **INTER-SCHOOL COMPETITIONS**

30.11.2018- Nagma Praveen (Std. V) got silver medal in the skipping race held at Sankalp Sahodya Athletic Meet held in Delhi International School, Dwarka.



20.01.2019-Ashish Mishra (Std. IX) won a Gold medal in The National Kabaddi Tournament and Roshan Mishra (Std VIII) won the third position in State Calisthenics and Street Workout.



26.01.2019-Abhineel (Std. VIII) won the first prize and Abhimeet of (Std VI) won the third prize in the Painting Competition organized at Dwarka by Dwarka City



# **INTER-HOUSE COMPETITIONS**

28.11.2018- Photography and Editing -Std. VI-VIII -Topic: Levitation

1st - Shakti

2nd -Aastha 3rd – Shanti



28.11.2018- Theatre-Std. III-V -Topic: Panchatantra Tales

3rd - Shakti 1st – Satva 2nd –Aastha

**05.12.2018**- Spelling Bee -Std. I-II 1st – Satya 2nd – Aastha 3rd – Shakti

05.12.2018- Art -Std. VI-VIII -Topic: Kalamkari 1st - Shakti 2nd - Satya 3rd - Aastha

12.12.2018- Craft I-V

1st – Aastha 2nd – Shanti 3rd – Shakti 12.12.2018- Art of Cooking-Std. VI-VIII-

Macrobiotic Diet Recipes

 Shanti 3rd – Shakti 1st – Aastha & Satva



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19.12.2018- Dance -Std. III-V -Topic: Folk Dances from India

1st – Satya 2nd –Aastha



**23.01.2019**- Art of flameless Cooking -Std. I & II -Topic: Sandwiches

1st – Aastha 2nd – Satya 3rd – Shakti



# **CLASS DAYS**

16.02.2019-Class II-Theme: Aladdin



27.02.2019-Class I-Theme: Grandparents



# INTER-HOUSE SPORTS COMPETITIONS

27.11.2018- Chess Sub-Jr. Girls 1st – Satya 2nd – Shanti 3rd **28.11.2018**- Throwball Jr. girls 3rd - Satva 1st - Shanti 2nd - Aastha 3rd - Satya 29.11.2018- Chess Sub-Jr. Girls 1st - Aastha 2nd - Shanti 3rd - Shakti 04.12.2018-Long Jump Junior Boys 1st – Satya 2nd – Aastha 3rd – Shakti **04.12.2018-**Long Jump Junior Girls 1st – Aastha 2nd – Shanti 3rd - Satva 05.12.2018- Jr. Boys athletic 100m Race 3rd - Shanti 1st – Aastha 2nd – Satya 05.12.2018- Athletics Jr. Boys Relay 2nd - Aastha 3rd - Shanti 1st – Satya

# SARA MATHEW MEMORIAL SUB. JR. GIRLS BASKET BALL TOURNAMENT

19.11.2018 In honour of our founder, we hosted the Sara Mathew Memorial Sub. Jr. Girls Basketball Tournament. There were 8 participating teams, of which Queen's Valley School, Dwarka was declared the winner and Modern Convent School took home the runners up trophy.



# WG. COMMANDER MATHEW MEMORIAL JR. BOYS FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

11.12.2018-13.12.2018 -We hosted the Wg. Commander Mathew Memorial Jr. Boys Football Tournament in which 8 schools participated. St. Mary's School, Safdarjung Enclave lifted the winners' trophy and St. Mary's Dwarka won the runners up trophy.



#### VIDEO CONFERENCES

A number of video conferences were held: 1-04.12.2018– St. Mary's School, Dwarka, Oleksandria School – Ukraine, Dr. Nermine Ismail American School – Egypt and School 46 Viacheslav Chornovil – Ukraine on the topic "Peace and Reconciliation".

**2-12.12.2018**– St. Mary's School, Dwarka, Bal Bharati School, Pitampura, Kropyvnytskyi Gymnasium 9 – Ukraine and Gymnasia of Humanities – Ukraine on the topic "Essentials of Dialogue".

3-18.12.2018- St. Mary's School, Dwarka, DAV Centenary Public School, Phillaur and Poltava School #38 – Ukraine on the topic "Essentials of Dialogue: Education for Global Citizenship".



# **SPECIAL ASSEMBLIES**

02.11.2018 -Diwali Assembly by Std. XI



22.11.2018-Guru Nanak Jayanti by Std. X



**21.12.2018**-Christmas by MIME/Public Speaking and Music Clubs



# FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES

**28.11.2018-**Ms. Bhashwati Roy (PGT, Eng) and Ms. Shalini Kothamasi (PGT, Eng) attended a session on the topic "Enrich your language skills" organized by Macmillan Education.



**23.01.2019-** Ms. Prachi Rajput (Lab. Asst., Phy) attended a science workshop on the topic "Science in my life" held at Indraprastha International School Dwarka Sector-10.



29.01.2019-A workshop on fire extinguishers was organized in the school for the entire staff. 11.02.2019-Mrs. Seema Bali (Vice Principal) and Mrs. Preeti Mehta (TGT, Comp. Sci.) attended an interactive session on the preparedness of examination

13.02.2019-Mrs. Nisha Batra, (Headmistress, Jr. School) and Mrs. Preeti Kokcha (TGT, Comp. Sci.) attended the round table discussion on" Build the Intelligent future curriculum (Artificial Intelligence) for schools at Microsoft Office Gurugram.

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# TRIPS AND EXCURSIONS

02.11.2018-Std. III and IV to Adventure Island, Rohini



11.12.2018- IAYP students trip to Bhimtal



**14.12.2018**- Std. VIII to 'The Eternal Mahatma Gandhi Museum'



**19.12.2018-** Std. VII heritage walk to 'Humayun's Tomb'



**21.12.2018**- Std. IX & X to Adventure Island, Rohini



**29.01.2019-** A walk to the biodiversity park in Gurugram conducted by Hriday organization.



# **ASTRONOMY**

**08.12.2018-** A workshop on "The Source of Light was conducted by SPACE for the students of Std. VI-VIII.

22.12.2018- Students of Astronomy participated in "Project Paridhi" organized at Qutub Minar by SPACE on the occasion of winter solstice.
11.02.2019- A workshop on "Universe Infrared" conducted by SPACE for the students of Std. VI-VIII



#### AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

**03.12.2018**-Aditya Chakraborty (Std. VI), Nishchay(Std. VIII), Param (Std. VI), and Tanmoy (Std. VIII) as a team won the position in top 10 all over India for the Minecraft Project organized by Microsoft.



**04.12.2018**-Mrs. Seema Bali (Vice Principal) was awarded with the "Torch Bearer of Dwarka Award 2018 -Best Teacher" by Dwarka City



**04.12.2018-**Mrs. Nisha Batra and her team (Minimize) won the first prize and Preeti Kokcha and her team (Strategize) won the first in another category.



**05.12.2018**-We have been accredited for the third time by the British Council International School Award (ISA) for the year 2018-21on 13th May 2018. Our Vice-Principal, Ms. Seema Bali along with ISA Coordinator, Ms. Ritu Bhatia got the honour to receive the ISA Award at The Leela Ambience Convention Hotel, New Delhi.



14.02.2019- Mrs. Reena Khurana (Middle School Headmistress) secured rank 17 at national level for senior secondary physics and rank 26 for secondary Physics in CENTA (Centre for Teacher Accreditation) Olympiad 2018.
28.02.2019-Ms. Anima Dey and Ms. Reema Chand attended a facilitation workshop organized by Karo Sambhav at Modern Public School, Shalimar Bagh. Our school bagged the award of highest E-Waste collection. Ms. Anima Dey was awarded with the best presentation given by a teacher.



### **NCC & YOGA**

**13.02.2019-** Dev Mishra (Std. XI) participated in the 30 Day Republic Day Camp 2019 at Delhi Cantt. He was the part of drill and cultural competition as well as NIAP National Integration Awareness Programme.

