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# **SVIS Newsletter**

God built and launched this year for you;

Upon the bridge you stand;

It's your ship, aye, your own ship,

And you are in command.

Just what the twelve months' trip will do rests wholly, solely, friend, with you.

Your logbook kept from day to day

My friend, what will it show?

Have you on your appointed way

Made progress, yes or no?

The log will tell, like guiding star,

The sort of captain that you are.

It is a great pleasure to welcome you all to the start of the new academic year. April is one of the favourite times of the year, when all of our students arrive on campus bringing their youthful enthusiasm, excitement and optimism for the future. It is terrific to see the school beaming with hectic activities. We hope the merit fortifies each year; leaving behind a legacy of accomplishments for the Alma Mater to regale in. Let's have a glimpse of the activities held in the month of April and May.

## Class XII Results

Science Stream











Commerce Stream







(96.2 %)

Simranjeet Singh (92.8 %)

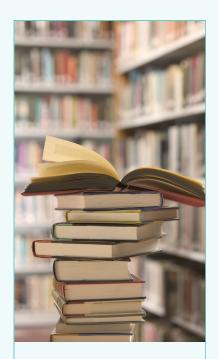
(91.6 %)

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#### **Inside Story Headline**

Students Bring Glory to their School in CBSE 12th & 10th Board Exams.



## Education Is a Lifelong Attitude of Living Life Well

Ms. Nita Arora Principal

Education is not merely teaching of subjects or imparting knowledge and ability related with co-curricular activities but it is a lifelong attitude of living life well. It is about being happy, it is about spreading goodwill and happiness, it is about understanding our worth, it is about an attitude of knowing that more could be learnt, yet actualizing the many potentials that one is endowed with.

Education is also about creating new potentials, when I say this; I feel that it is the best definition as mankind has evolved so fast because of this aspect of learning. Knowledge seeks more knowledge. Thus a good school should prepare children and their teachers to become lifelong learners knowing 'how to learn'.

What role do a good infrastructure for curricula transaction including music, dance, sports play? A lot, but these are just means to an end. We all want our children to be ready for the role that they will be playing in society.

We must realize that promoting and nurturing life skills, attitudes and values are the foremost aims of any educational endeavour. **Adults** have to be role models of any preaching. A child initially mirrors the behaviour of grownups. Then the stage comes, when he learns to discern the right from the wrong. This is a beautiful phase, which if nurtured well, produces thinkers and doers that the world seeks. All children go through this phase. We have to be ready to accept and change ourselves when our children reach this stage. "A child is the father of man". This adage will come true if we listen to our children at this time and are ready to grow yet once again.

Thus life is actually a 'yearning for life'. Let us all become lifelong learners and understand this. Any school that promotes a love for learning is the place for your ward to be in. Any school that involves parents in this process is the right one.

Happy schooling, joyful, stress free environment is what we all aspire for and should provide too.

#### **ACCOLADES**

Sri VIS family congratulates the first batch of Class XII students and their mentors at school and home for their outstanding performance in the CBSE Senior Secondary Exams 2015.

All First Divisions

### School Average of Five Subjects Class XII

Science stream 85.4%	Commerce stream 84%	Humanities 91.6%
Stream wise Toppers		
Stream	Name	<u>Marks</u>
<u>Stream</u>	<u>rtunio</u>	<u>marks</u>
Commerce	Rajat Gaba	96.2%
Science	Nilotpal Pathak	96%
Humanities	Cheshtha Sharma	91.6%
Subject Toppers		
<u>Subject</u>	Name	<u>Marks</u>
Economics	Rajat Gaba	99
Accountancy	Rajat Gaba	99
Physics	Nilotpal Pathak	99
Physical Education	Kanishk Tanotra	97
	Jorawar Singh Dham	
Chemistry	Aditya Banerji	96
	Muskaan Kapoor	
Mathematics	Nilotpal Pathak	96
English	There are 55 toppers in all; out of maximum 95 students	95
Business Studies	Rajat Gaba	
	Tanya Verma	95
	Simranjeet Singh	
Political Science	Cheshtha Sharma	95
Computer Science	Abhishek Shandilya	05
	Jorawar Singh Dham	95
Biology	Shaunaq Narindra	94

Cheshtha Sharma

91

Psychology

#### **Inside Story Headline**

Students of Sri Venkateshwar International School, Sector-18, Dwarka set benchmarks for their juniors by establishing their scholastic credentials in the just concluded CBSE examinations, whose results were out recently.

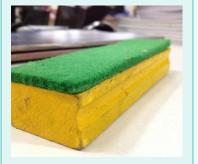


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The first batch of the students did remarkably well with more than one third students securing above 90% in best five subjects. Two third students secured marks above 80% and three fourths above 75%. The result had always been 100% and this year was no exception.

Rajat Gaba is the school topper who secured 96.2% in the Commerce stream. Nilotpal Pathak is the topper in the Science stream with 96% marks while in Humanities, the topper is Chestha Sharma with 91.6% marks.

Kanishk Tanotra 95.4%, Jorawar Singh Dham 95.4% are some of the other bright students. There are 20% students with minimum 95% in the aggregate of 5 subjects.

Chairman Mr Sailander Solanki and the Principal Mrs Nita Arora congratulated all the students on their success and blessed them for a bright future. Mr Rajpal, the Founder Chairman shared his joy on the success of Venkateshwar group of Schools in the academic community.

The toppers shared their mantra for success. In a message to the juniors, Rajat Gaba, the Commerce topper said, "Never be scared of examinations. Getting good marks is not tough if one studies regularly and honestly, both at school and at home. It is always better to study every day regularly rather than burning the midnight oil at the time of exams. He dedicated his success to his school and thanked the school for considering him worthy to be a Head Boy and giving him

opportunities to participate in all type of co- scholastic activities. He aspires to be an IPS Officer.

Science stream topper, Nilotpal Pathak feels that solving more papers for practice helps in removing stress. He also advised the juniors to stay cool, calm and focused and to take the help of teachers, if in doubt. He wished that all should many sample papers and also the one that the school provides. He further said that he concentrated on the NCERT books for the CBSE exams. He has cleared the IIT main exam with 50% other students who were IIT aspirants.

Chestha felt that without the guidance of the school Principal and her Psychology and Political Science teachers, she would have remained an average student. She was advised to change her stream, when in Class 11. Her parents are very proud of her and are thankful to the school.



Message from Rajat Gaba's Father

Dear Principal Madam,

Many thanks for your message.

The real credit goes to the school and especially to you.

The excellent environment of the school under your leadership will make lot of parents proud of children.

Many congratulations to you and your team.

Warm regards
Sanjay Kumar
(Father of Rajat Gaba,
School Topper)

#### **Inside Story Headline**

More than above 16% a perfect score of 10.

50% students had a CGPA of 9.

75% students had a CGPA of 80 and above.

96% students had a CGPA of Minimum 7 and above



# In Class 10, all the students appeared in the CBSE based exams, a rarity among schools these days.

Subject-wise Percentage of Students securing A1 Grade in Class X

<u>Subject</u>	Students securing A1 Grade
English	80%
Hindi	52%
Math	50%
Science	66%
Social Science	70%
Computer Science	72%
Sanskrit	100%
French	55%

## **Award to the School Principal**

The Principal, Mrs Nita Arora, of Sri Venkateshwar International School, Sector -18, Dwarka was awarded the Nari Udgosh Samman on May 23, 2015 by the Nari Udgosh Patrika on the occasion of Silver Jubilee function held at CSOI Auditorium, Chankyapuri, New Delhi

Mrs. Mamta Sharma Former Chairman, National Commission for Women and Mrs Suman Kant Sahay w/o Former Vice President of India were among many other recipients.

Mrs Arora was honoured for her work in promoting education for empowerment of women of all strata of societies.

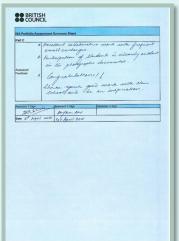
# Kudos to Sri VIS Family for the Second International School Award 2015–18

Sri VIS was accredited with the benchmarking BRITISH COUNCIL INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL AWARD 2015-18 for the second time in recognition of its outstanding teaching practices

- adding International dimension in its curriculum
- adding Innovation to classroom curriculum transaction by practising new skills in ICT
- bringing together a large network of schools across the globe fostering rich exchange of ideas leading to a broadening of vision for all.

#### ISA Portfolio Assessment Summary Sheet





# Schools abroad where we have linkages for collaborative learning:

- ⇒ Ysgol Cynwyd Sant, Wales, UK
- ⇒ Queen's Park High School, Cheshire, UK
- ⇒ SMK Datuk HJ Abdul Kadir Secondary School, Penang, Malaysia
- ⇒ Aichi International School, Japan
- ⇒ Accotink Academy Virginia, USA, North America
- ⇒ Red Oak Middle North Carolina, USA, North America
- ⇒ Beykent Doga Koleji Turkey, Middle East
- ⇒ Elgeel Elmuslim Primary Girl, Egypt, Middle East
- ⇒ Todd Academy Indiana, USA, North America
- ⇒ The Whartons Primary School United Kingdom, Europe

## English Teaching Quality Standardisation in Association with the British Council

Sri VIS makes us truly proud and also bestows honour and greater responsibility on management, administration, teachers, parents and students to justify being the first school in the country to be found eligible for the award of English Language Quality Standards.

On behalf of school family, would like to place on record sincere thanks to the British Council, Mr. John Shackleton, Ms. Nilam, Mr. Chris, Ms. Vineeta, Ms. Shivangi, Mr. Prateek, all reviewers and the School Chairman Mr. Sailander Solanki for making it possible to go for the Review of our practices and allowing APTIS, all the teachers who successfully completed CiSELT, CiPELT and took the APTIS challenge.

It is not about completing the courses and undertaking trainings, it is about implementing the new learning and delivering.

Also would like to place on record our sincere appreciation for Ms. Navita- the EL expert, Ms. Braria, Ms. Renuka, Ms. Shailja, Ms. Jaya, Ms. Reena, Ms. Mousumi, Ms. Nidhi Dhingra, Ms. Ramneek, Ms. Akanksha, Ms. Neha, Ms. Neeru, Ms. Sonia, Ms. Yogita, Ms. Pallavi, Ms Shyamalee, Ms. Binny, Ms. Nidhi , Ms Prachi, Ms. Deepa, Ms. Priya, Ms. Asha, Ms. Yashaswini, Ms. Monica, Ms. Preeti, Ms. Anita, Ms. Deepti, Ms. Neetu, Ms. Keerti, Ms. Uma, Ms. Ritu, Ms. Ushma, Ms. Gurmeet, Ms. Parul, Ms. Barnali, Ms. Inderpreet, Mr. Sanjeev, Ms. Anuja, Ms. Esha, Ms. Rajni, Mr. Basant, Mr. Sudhir and the other administrative staff.

All the best. Nita Arora Principal



## SVIS Ranked First in The Times School Survey 2014

The school reached the pinnaclel of excellence by being ranked first in The Top 10 Schools of West Delhi, in a survey conducted by The Times School Survey 2014. The school was commended for its academic excellence and architectural magnificence.



Kudos to the WINNERS who participated in the various INTER-SCHOOL COMPETITIONS, for their amazing performance, in the month of April & May 2015



### **SCHOLASTICA: WINNING ACUMEN**

The students once again proved their mettle in all the Olympiads at Level 2. Here's a bird's eye view of the performers excelling at the International Level and coming within the ambit of the top 100 ranks.

Congratulations to the School toppers who also made a mark at the State & International level.

#### **International Informatics Olympiad 2014**

Class	Name	State Rank	Olympiad Rank
007	Kushagra Jain	3	13
009	Himanshu Rajput	3	82

#### Comparative Result Sheet ilO'14

Class	School's Average Marks	All School's Average Marks
007	76.90	66.40
008	68.90	70.0
009	59.90	59.70
010	59.90	54.70



#### International Olympiad of English Language 2014

Class	Name	State Rank	Olympiad Rank
007	Riya Jaggi	2	7
012	Mardav Jain	2	16
007	Shrayash Prasad	8	38
012	Siddharth Pruthi	4	102
012	Nakul Gupta	8	142

#### Comparative Result Sheet iOEL'14

Class	School's Average Marks	All School's Average Marks
007	71.90	62.00
012	50.40	48.70

#### International Olympiad of Mathematics 2014

Class	Name	State Rank	Olympiad Rank
009	Simarpreet Singh	1	10
007	Siddharth Narayan	7	66
012	Vishu Gupta	9	45

#### Comparative Result Sheet iOM'14

Class	School's Average Marks	All School's Average Marks
800	41.50	65.90
009	98.30	71.20
010	73.10	69.10
011	59.50	52.70
012	60.50	54.30

#### **International Olympiad of Science 2014**

Class	Name	State Rank	Olympiad Rank
006	Shrey Arora	2	44
007	Harsh Rajput	6	104
009	Simarpreet Singh	8	119
007	Aryan Saluja	9	153
010	Aditi Garg	12	179
012	Pratham Naval	13	76

#### **Comparative Result Sheet iOS'14**

Class	School's Average Marks	All School's Average Marks
006	78.4	78.3
007	72.00	68.50
008	74.40	72.30
009	93.20	80.90



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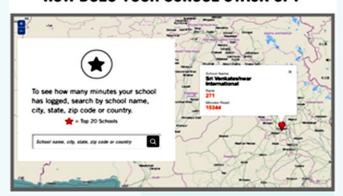
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## **Scholastic Summer Reading Challenge**

The school was recognized for its initiative in promoting Reading Skills.

The progress being made by the students of SVIS, in joining hands with schools across the globe towards the World Record for the minutes read - through the Scholastic Summer Reading Challenge was acknowledged by the team in Scholastic US.

#### **HOW DOES YOUR SCHOOL STACK UP?**



The screen shot of the progress- taken on the 19th of May by Scholastic US.

#### SPORTS ARCADIA

# **Exemplary Performance in GD Goenka Cricket Tournament**

The budding cricketers of SVIS gave everyone a reason to cheer for as they reached the Finals of Inter – School Cricket Tournament held in G.D. Goenka Public School from April 30, 2015 - May 9, 2015.

The champions did us proud by defeating ITL Public School, G.D. Goenka Public School en route to the Semi- Final where they handsomely crushed Sanskriti School by 6 wickets.

The SVIS team however, lost the Finals to ITL Public School narrowly, but not before winning the Runners Up Trophy and everyone's hearts as well.





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#### **GALLERIA**

## The Appreciation Day Celebration

"A real treasure becomes such only after it has been desperately sought after".

Richelle E. Goodrich

All were gathered to witness an event of inordinate magnificence, where the impeccable achievers were felicitated with a guerdon to be remembered on May 16, 2015 during the Appreciation Day Celebration held in the school auditorium. The event marked the felicitation of more than 600 students in all classes of senior wing in various categories that define their 3Rs - Reading, Writing and Arithmetic abilities signifying their academic competence. Soft skills were awarded through acknowledgment of music, dance and theatrical abilities along with sports and oratory skills.

The Programme began with Lamp Lighting to ignite the mind and soul to incessantly strive for perfection. The invocation dance paid obeisance to the almighty to help in all endeavours. Mr. Sailander Solanki, Chairman Sri Venkateshwar International was the Guest of Honour for the occasion. The Vice Principal Ms Priya Braria welcomed and congratulated the parents on the distinguished achievement of their wards.

The event was interspersed with the mellifluous confluence of the rhythmic beats of the school orchestra, street play and splendid dances which reinforced the ideology of Multiple Intelligences that the school advocates.

The event progressed with the awards being conferred in the various categories. It brought to the fore the potential of each Sri Venkateshwarite as they showcased their expertise with equal ease in both the scholastic and coscholastic areas.

The event highlighted the discerning awareness of the students as they brought out the significant issue of Road Safety through a street play. The skillful feet of the dancers showcased routines as diverse as the Bharatnatyam and the Kathak Dance. It was an enriching experience as the event showcased, appreciated and cherished the multiple intelligences of all the students. Keeping in with its ideology of instilling strong values with a penchant for achieving, the Venkateshwarites won the exaltation of all present.

The Principal Ms. Nita Arora in her address to the parents stressed on the importance of the 4 Cs; that define the quality of Care, Concern, Compassion and Courtesy - the hallmark of value based education or the imparting of Life Skills; so necessary to be a good human being.

It also brought to the fore the role of parents and facilitators in the evolution of students into confident and aware denizens ready to accomplish and achieve through the sheer strength and belief in their potential. The joyous satisfaction emanating from every person present was palpable.

#### Teachers' Commendable Performance in the APTIS Test

We feel proud to announce that 16 English Teachers along with the Principal Ms. Nita Arora undertook the APTIS Test carried out by the British Council to test their skills in the English Language and all of them cleared the test with flying colours.

All the teachers scored between the ranges of 86% to 99%.

## Sri VIS Transcends Road Safety Message to the Society

The students of Sri Venkateshwar International School, Sector 18, Dwarka, as a part of a project on International challenge, 'Your Ideas Your Initiatives' launched by Renault Company, took out a rally on "Road Safety for Pedestrians" in the 'Raahgiri Programme', in Dwarka Sector 10, on Sunday, April 19, 2015. The Raahgiri had a different look, the students took it upon themselves to spread the message of Road Safety and Mobility to one and all present at the venue. Through an interactive 'Street Play' and a 'Dance' programme the students portrayed the above message with a lot of panache and confidence. The group moved from venue to venue spreading this message and instilling the above value which is the bane of society today. People who came out in the morning to exercise or a walk went back educated and enamoured with the performance of the Venkateshwarites.

The students as a part of the same project have used robotic science to make collision proof vehicles possible. After analyzing day to day life, they have created solutions to prevent accidents using sensors. The school hopes that this project will not only be a stepping stone for the students participating in it, but also the society at large for a leap forward. And once again, the Sri VIS students stood out amongst many to leave an indelible mark on the society.





## **School Heads Take a Tech Trip**

The School Principal Ms. Nita Arora along with the School Heads of 400 other schools from across Delhi-NCR attended the Times NIE Principals' Seminar which focused on 'transforming education through innovation and technology'. The increasing use of technology in education has made it imperative for teachers to become techsavy. It gives them an advantage of keeping pace with the 'smart' and young minds. The seminar, which was held at Gurgaon's Kingdom of Dreams on April 30, began with a yoga session, followed by a discussion on education by experts from the media industry. An interactive session was also held in which the audience put forth their queries to the media experts on ways to develop a blog, motivating the younger generation to read newspapers, etc.

"This seminar addressed our physical, intellectual as well as spiritual development. Knowledge is now just a click or a swipe away. Thus, this wonder of scientific advancement has made us global citizens without actually travelling," said Nita Arora, Principal of Sri Venkateshwar International School, Dwarka.

Later, the Heads of the academic institutions were taken on a tour to Culture Gully--a boulevard showcasing Indian culture, cuisine and handicrafts. The event was indeed an intellectually stimulating session that also led to spiritual uplift. They were also treated to a musical play--Zangoora.

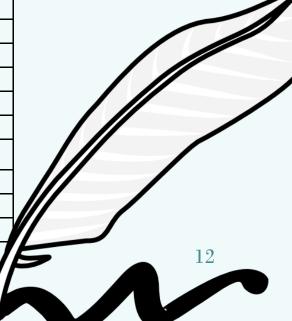
## **English and Hindi Calligraphy Competitions**

English Calligraphy			
Class/Section	Name of students	Position	
VI-A	Eesha Gupta	I	
	Kanishaka Malik	II	
VI-B	Lavanya Sethi	I	
	Tejal Yadav	II	
VI-C	Jahnvi Dhoundiyal	I	
	Neysa Kaul	II	
VI-D	Ananya Singh	I	
	Devansh Yadav	II	
VI-E	Garv Vashisht	I	
	Joshayat Singh	II	
VI-F	Vikhyaat Chopra	I	
	Paavni Kaur Mago	II	
VI-G	Dia Thapa	I	
	Drishti Gusain	II	
VII-A	Arjun Garg	1	
	Tarannum Sechdewa	II	
VII-B	Niharika Soni	1	
	Priyanshi Kain	II	
VII-C	Deepanshu Rohilla	I	
	Drishti Mahajan	II	
VII-D	Pranjal Diler	I	
	Kanik Kaur	II	
VII-E	Hitanshi Arora	I	
	G. Nikhita	II	
VII-F	Aarzoo Sahdev	I	
	Gourvender Singh Drall	II	
VII-G	Lavanya Puri	I	
	Riya Verma	II	
VIII-A	Divyam Singh	I	
	Antra Chauhan	II	
VIII-B	Divyajot Kaur, Sanya Bhanot	I	
	Harshita Dixit, Vatsala Hira,	II	
VIII-C	Anvesha Keshap Mayank Bhardwaj	I	
	Akshita Mudgal	 	
VIII-D	Khushboo Bhardwaj	1	
	Tejas Kumar	II	

"Calligraphy is an art that just about anyone can do."

An English and Hindi Calligraphy competition was held in SVIS on 08 and 15 April respectively, aiming to encourage children to write neatly and present the content in a proper manner. Students from VI-VIII participated in this competition. All the students displayed their calligraphic skills and won accolades for their performance.

The main objective of this activity was to motivate children to write neatly in good a handwriting.



## **English and Hindi Calligraphy Competitions**

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Hindi Calligraphy			
VI-A	Mansi Shukla	1	
	Shiveka Bakshi	II	
VI-B	Archi Mann	I	
	Ayushi Bhatnagar	II	
VI-C	Jahnavi Dhoundiyal	I	
	Pushkal Bhardwaj	II	
VI-D	Sargun K. Gujral	I	
	Falak Dua	II	
VI-E	Aryan Sapra	I	
	Raya Arora	II	
VI-F	Chhavee	I	
	Paavni Kaur Mago	II	
VI-G	Yashna Sharma	I	
	Arnav Kaul	II	
VII-A	Aaradhya Shirumulla	I	
	Deepsri Rao	II	
VII-B	Shruti Sharma	I	
	Nimita Sahi	II	
VII-C	Hardik Talwar	I	
	Tiya Jain	II	
VII-D	Ikshita Mehta	I	
	Ariba Khan	II	
VII-E	Mimansa Bharti	I	
	Hitanshi Arora	II	
VII-F	Parnika Sharma	I	
	Riya Sehrawat	II	
VII-G	Mehar Bharadwaj	I	
	Kriti Agrawal	II	
VIII-A	Pranjal Singla	I	
	Khushi Verma	II	
VIII-B	Divyajot Kaur	1	
	Vatsala Hira	II	
VIII-C	Akshita Mudgal	I	
	Aishna Khushwah	11	
VIII-D	Narpender Dhankar	- //	
	Tejas Kumar	П	

## **Sri VIS Observes Earth Day**



The school celebrated Earth Day on 22 April 2015 to generate awareness among the students to protect Earth's natural environment. On this occasion, a Slogan Writing and Poster Making Competition was conducted for the students of standard VI to VIII to develop creativite instinct and awareness for saving the Earth and Energy. The competition gave the children a platform to showcase their talent and stimulated a realization regarding the importance of our Mother Earth.

The students enthusiastically participated with thought provoking slogans and posters fostering their ideas on reinforcing the need to take action to save our precious Earth.

## **Glancing Over Our Proficiency in French**

A French quiz was conducted in school for classes 8, 9 and 10. The preliminary round was carried out on the 20th April 2015 in the respective classrooms in the form of a written Objective Test consisting of 20 questions based on French Grammar, Culture, Current Affairs and Vocabulary. Students were selected on the basis of their performance in the preliminary round.

For the Final Round three teams by the names of SOLEIL, LUNE and ETOILE of 5 members each; were made which included students from classes 8A, 8B, 8C, 9B and 10A in each team. It was conducted on the April 29 in the auditorium. It consisted of a six rounds.

Round 1- Vocab Boom (It tested the vocabulary of students)

Round 2 – Follow me (It was about passing the words from one team to another with the last letter of each word)

Round 3 – Test my French Roots (It tested the grammar rules of the students)

Round 4 – Hide and Seek (It tested the memory / retention power of the students)

Round 5 – Sharp Ears (It tested the listening skills of the students)

Round 6 – Rapid Fire (It was a questionnaire containing 10 quick miscellaneous questions)

Team SOLEIL emerged as the winner by scoring the maximum points. The names of the winners are as follows:

Pranjal Singla - 8A

Vatsala Hira — 8B

Harsh Kumar Pal - 8C

Sanyam Gupta – 9A

## **Shakespeare Day**

On April 23, 2013 the budding theatre artists of SVIS attempted to recreate the masterpiece The Merchant of Venice by the legendary writer. The attempt of students of Class VIII merits a mention as they tried to emote the intricacies of the plot and bring home the theme clearly.

Class VII A under the guidance of Ms. Yashaswani showcased the Act 1 of the play followed by Class VIII B which presented the Act 2 with the help of Ms. Reena Kalra. Act 3 was presented by Class VIII C along with their mentor Ms. Mousumi Kalita Sachdeva and Class VIII D ended the show presenting the last two acts under the guidance of Ms. Asha Rana.

It was yet another opportunity to learn and appreciate the creative genius of the Bard. The school principal applauded the efforts of the students and inspired them to read more works from Shakespeare.

## **Inter-House Elocution Competition**

The first Inter-House competition for Senior Wing in this session was the English Elocution Competition. The competition comprised of two rounds. The Preliminary round was held in the classrooms where all the students participated and the best two orators from each house were chosen. The selected students participated in final round held in the school auditorium on April 30, 2015. Students spoke magnificently on the topics "Colonisation of Mars" and "Threat to Wildlife". The participants were adjudged by the Vice Principal, Ms. Priya Braria and Ms. Monica Sharma.



Photo Courtesy: Chakshu Khanna

Inter- House English Elocution Class IX-X			
Class/Section	Name of students	Position	House
Х-В	Geeti Oberoi	I	Value
X-A	Dyutita Ajith	II	Integrity
X-A	Shivam Tyagi	II	Valour
Х-В	Suchna Adhikari	III	Sincerity

## **Enabling Students to Go to the Best Universities in US**

The school endowed the students with an opportunity to explore the possibilities of going to the world's best universities in USA in association with USA UnivQuest, a FIITJee initiative on the day of the Parent Teacher Meeting held on May 9, 2015 and again on the Appreciation Day.

In India, there is a problem of far too many student aspirants chasing a limited number of seats for higher education in premier institutions like IITs, DU, NITs, AIIIMS, SRCC, and AFMC. The goal of USA UnivQuest is to enable students, not being absorbed within the domestic framework due to the paucity of Premier Institutions in India, to go to the best Institutes in the US. The initiative apprised the students about the various Programmes of the UnivQuest for Classes IX, X, XI and XII.

### Sri VIS, Sector- 18, Dwarka conducts Inter-Faith Prayer Meet

As we seek peace in a world that yearns for tranquility and solace, Sri VIS provided its students and faculty with an opportunity to attend an Inter-Faith Prayer Meet on May 11, 2015. The purpose of the Meet was to promote a secular India by enhancing the understanding of different faiths. It also aimed at promoting the concept of unity in diversity as all religions, even if practiced differently; preach the same thing. It was made possible by the ITIHAAS Foundation, Gandhi Smarak Nidhi and Gandhi Peace Foundation.

The preachers in the session comprised Ms. Sita Bimbrahw, ex Delhi University faculty signifying Hinduism, Shri Shahnawaz Khan, an Islamic Scholar who talked about Islam, Shri Ramesh Kandpal representing Jainism; Sikhism was represented by a Panthi. Ms.Katsu Horiuchi, a Japanese lady, who has made India her home for the last 50 years, representing Buddhism and playing a traditional instrument, Rev. E.I. Malekar representing Judaism. He also played the traditional instrument for promoting peace. He invited the students to visit the synagogue. Dr. A.K. Merchant from the Lotus Temple represented the Bahai faith and invited all to join hands in doing social work for special children.

The meeting started with an opening prayer sung by the students followed by the chanting of the 'Gayatri Mantra'. The session included short discourses on different faiths followed by short prayers of each and ended with the 'Ram Dhun'.

It was an enlightening experience for the students as well as the teachers. It paved the way to search for a personal and global path to peace.





#### LEARNERS' ARCADE

## SVIS Carries Pride on Meeting Sunita Williams at the American Centre

SVIS again proudly stands by showering an opportunity to Adhip Bhargava, a student of standard IX B, to meet the famous NASA astronaut Sunita Williams. It was a great success in gaining this prospect to have a three hours interaction with the famous American astronaut. Adhip had a great learning experience wherein he along with Sunita Williams carried interesting experiments with RGB LED'S, space food, high pressure bubble which recognized EVA's (Extra Vehicular Activity).

To know more about his meeting, glance at the Creatica section where Adhip Bhagava expresses his personal feelings and experience on meeting Sunita Williams.

## **Workshop on the Teaching of Physics**

Sri VIS Physics teachers attended an informative workshop on "Demonstration of activities for Classroom teaching" at V.V. DAV School Vikaspuri on May 2, 2015. It was conducted by Anveshika's Coordinator Mrs. Pragya Nopany of Birla Vidya Niketan School.

The workshop entailed many activities based on different concepts of Physics for the senior secondary classes. The activities demonstrated at the session were the works of different students as their project work prepared under the guidance of teachers from different schools.

The workshop was repeated at school for the students of Classes X to XII on May 25, 2015. It aroused the curiosity of learners towards the application of principles.

The programme was eminently enlightening, innovative and thought provoking. The key feature of the session was learning by doing. It was a great learning experience.

#### **Annual Conference of Forum of Public Schools**

The Annual Conference of Forum of Public School was held on May 02, 2015 at India International Centre. The topic for the conference was, "Visualising Transformation Diverse Learning Curves".

The first technical session of the conference began with the inauguration of NCTE and key note address by Prof. J.S. Rajput, the first Chairman of NCTE and the Director of NCERT (1999-2004). He emphasized on the inclusion of local element to the curriculum, requirement of leadership that visualizes future and education for character building.

Ms. Geeta Dharmarjan, a writer, educationalist and the executive director of 'Katha', a not for profit organization threw light on the need of special pedagogy and curriculum for children coming from illiterate communities.

The second technical session was illuminated by Major D.P. Singh, the personification of an invincible spirit, a Kargil war survivor, the first amputee marathon runner of India and holder of Three Limca Book of world records. He emphasized on focussed hard work, courage and endurance. He linked sports with character building. Prof. R. Dixit emphasized the need of value based education.

The session ended on a musical note. Mr. Vinay, an Agricultural Engineer and Ms. Charul, an Architect who turned researchers and musicians by choice and passion, expressed their emotions against injustice, greed, apathy, violation and exploitation through the medium of music.

It was a captivating programme and a great learning experience for the teachers.

#### LEARNERS' ARCADE

## One Step Up- A Workshop on Career Counselling

A workshop on career counselling was arranged for the Sri VIS students of classes 9 to 12 at the school premises on May 12, 2015. Members of this team provided information on courses, careers, and subjects in an engaging manner to the students.

The session focused on classroom workshops to inform, train as well as entertain. It aimed at conducting individual aptitude test for the students of standard 10 on eight different abilities comprising different subjects which would enable the students to make right career choices.

The programme also included counselling sessions. The main objective of this workshop was to provide guidance to the students of higher classes for choosing the best career for a bright future.

## Stay Safe- A workshop on Internet Safety

A workshop on Safe Social Networking was conducted by the rising organization under the name of Stay Safe at Sri Venkateshwar International School's Auditorium on May 14, 2015. It was initiated by Miss Akriti Joana, a leading member of Stay Safe.

The session focused on Internet Safety while connecting with the world through social sites. It provided the guidelines to be responsible when online. It touched the issues of setting limits while using internet, internet bullying, meeting friends online and offline, accepting invitation and reacting in the most appropriate way specially while using Facebook.com. The organisers also distributed bookmarks to the children as well as the teachers reminding the Internet safety tips.

The programme was highly captivating and the students actively participated in the interactive session. The Principal of the school Ms. Nita Arora ended the session with the administering of the anti-bullying pledge and the pledge for global citizenship thus awakening the spirits of the students as well as the teachers.

## Workshop on Changes in Curriculum of Entrepreneurship (2015-2016)

Sri VIS Commerce Department attended an informative workshop on Changes in Curriculum of Entrepreneurship for the session 2015-2016, held at Sanskriti School, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi on May 14, 2015. The session was initiated by Mr. Sandeep Sethi, Education Officer for CBSE. Ms. Puja Chauhan attended the same.

The programme emphasized on the changes in the curriculum of Entrepreneurship and the new pattern of the Question Paper introduced by CBSE. Mr. Sethi discussed the latest pattern of the Question Paper for Class XII and clarified all possible doubts of the new topics. Various projects to be taken up for standards XI and XII were discussed with the teachers. Project work guidelines for the subject were also discussed and Question Bank was shared.

The workshop was highly instructive for the teachers.

#### LEARNERS' ARCADE

## Workshop on Changes in Curriculum of Accountancy (2015-2016)

Sri VIS Commerce Department attended an instructive workshop on Changes in Curriculum of Accountancy for the year 2015-2016, held at PHD Chambers of Commerce and Industry, Siri Institutional Area on May 16, 2015. It was organized by Goyal Brothers Publications. The resource persons for the workshop were Dr. Balbir Singh, former Head of department of Commerce at Shaheed Bhagat Singh College, University of Delhi and Dr. Ruby Singh.

The session focused on the Changes in the Curriculum of Accountancy and project work in business studies for Class XII, particularly in Companies Act and improvement in the project work. Dr. Balbir Singh clarified the doubts about the new syllabus of accountancy and project of Business Studies for Stock Exchange.

The workshop was highly effective which guided the teachers to understand and follow the revised curriculum. The session proved to be a learning experience for all.

## Workshop at Kiran Nadar Museum of Art

The Social Science teachers of Sri VIS attended a workshop at the Kiran Nadar Museum Of Art, Saket on 19 May, 2015. The exhibition showcased the works of eminent contemporary artists like L. N. Tallur, Masooma Syed, Yamini-Naik, S.H Raza to name a few. One of the most creative works was a huge mushroom made out of utensils. Tushar Jaog, a Mumbai based artist used headlights, tube lights, lamps to show a robotic army which truly reflects T. S Eliot's 'Wasteland' where modern man is engaged in futile pursuits of materialistic conquests. The Kaavad series by Gulam Mohammad Sheikh was based on the concept of a mobile shrine highlights the current fix of the world where good and evil coexist.

The exhibition sensitized the teachers towards modern issues like population explosion, terrorism and warfare, global warming etc which need to be addressed immediately to prevent the world from turning into a pandemonium.

## Workshop on Web Literacy & Google Tools

A two days didactic workshop on WEB LITERACY & GOOGLE TOOLS from 25 May 2015 to 26 May 2015 was conducted for all the teachers of Sri VIS at the school Computer Lab to enhance their technical skills. The resource persons for the workshop were Ms. Shiraaz and Ms. Sandeep Kaur.

The first session of the programme emphasized on the Introduction to Google Docs and Drive. The session trained the teachers to use Google Drive with the activity 'Mirror the Trainer'. The second session included introduction to Google Hangout which was a highly interactive session. The third session expertised the teachers in the use of Google Maps. The last session focused on the use of Google sites training the teachers to conduct various class activities and search resources for lessons through Google websites. The session also comprised a ten minutes session by individual teachers to assess the teachers' knowledge in the use of Google Tools.

The workshop gave an opportunity to all the participants to sit for the Online Google Certification Test which was successfully cleared by all. It was a highly instructive programme which guided the teachers to apply all the Google Tools in the classroom teaching.

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### From the Editors' Desk

The first edition of SVIS Buzz has been an enormous task. The standard set by Ms. Navita Srivastav in all her previous publications was high, but we think we have succeeded well and produced a comprehensive review of the work and extra-curricular life at SVIS. As she leaves the school, we wish her the best in all her future endeavours.

We would also like to thank everybody who contributed in the making of this e-newsletter.

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