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From the Principal's Desk



We believe in upholding high standards with an absolute commitment to strive and improve the educational process, using team strategies, while wholly focussing on student achievement.

Happy reading...!

Indrani Neogi

Shaheed Smarak



The school, represented by the school Chairman, the principal, five teachers along with the prefects Avi Shukla, Devaditya Singh and Shreya Hooda, participated in the **Vijay Diwas Ceremony**, organised by Shaheed Smarak Sanstha and laid wreaths to pay tributes to the martyrs on Dec 18, 2024.



Accolades



Samriddhi Tripathi (Class X) is one of the five players from Delhi among the 200 players, both boys and girls, **short-listed** by the **Sports Authority of India (SAI)**,

Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports for the **Khelo India** Athletes Performance Assessment Camp.

Saash Malhotra (IX B) won a **Gold Medal** in **25-meter rifle shooting** in the **CATC-139 NCC camp**, organized by the 37 NCC Battalion, Ghaziabad, from Dec 19-28, 2024, at Balak Panchsheel School, Noida, in which nineteen cadets from our school participated and engaged in various activities and leadership-building exercises, fostering a spirit of camaraderie and discipline.



Natalya Moses of **Class IV** brought laurels to the school by winning the **First Position** at the **National Level** and emerged **Global Finalist** in the **Oxford Big Read Contest 2024**, organised by the Oxford University Press which will be awarding her a **Trophy** and a **Certificate** on her remarkable achievement in the contest that reached remarkable new heights, with 470 schools registering and over 6000 entries having been received from across India.

[The achievement has been featured on the AWES website: <https://www.awesindia.com>]



ACADEMICS



Ganit Week 2024-25: A vibrant celebration of Mathematics, Ganit Week 2024-25, was organised by the school from Dec 17-20, 2024, in

compliance with NEP 2020 recommendations of making mathematics fun and enjoyable for the learners. The week-long series of exciting class-wise events including a bagless day aimed at fostering a deeper understanding and appreciation of the subject among students.



BV I – The Primary Colours - Categorizing the primary colours with patterns;

Class I - Numerical Knockout; Class II - Exploring the world of two-dimensional

shapes; **Class III – Fraction Art; Class IV –** Interactive 3D Modelling; **Class V – Math Marathon,** a series of rapid-fire solving of math questions.



The **Bag-less Day**, organised on Dec 20, 2024, for classes VI-VIII was the icing on the cake of the Ganit Week. In the first plenary, innovative games such as Human

Geometry, Maths Dodgeball, Maths Basketball, Maths Penalty Kick etc., were organised on the school grounds. In the second plenary, a workshop on fun with mathematics was organised in the school auditorium by the facilitator **Ms. Ishita Mukherjee, the FDRC Resource Person, author and CBSE Master Trainer for Mathematics**, who immersed students in a variety of intellectually stimulating activities such as brainstorming sessions, math puzzles, and problem-solving challenges to enhance critical and analytical thinking skills of the students.



Class VI – Designing geometric shapes out of the word ‘Mathematics’; **Class VII –** Creating Warli Art, the traditional art of Maharashtra, using geometrical shapes;

Class VIII – Mathematical Illusions; Class IX and XI – Brain Brawl, an inter-class quiz competition testing arithmetic skills.

The **Parent-Teacher Meeting** was organized on Dec 21, 2024, which provided a platform for parents and teachers to discuss the academic progress and

performance of students. The parents received the PA II report cards.

On the day of the **PTM**, a vibrant **Book Exhibition** was also organized, featuring an extensive collection of books. Also, the Department of Mathematics organized an **Exhibition on Ganit Week**, displaying the activities done by students during the week.





The students of classes III-X took the **International Hindi Olympiad (IHO)** conducted by SOF on Nov 08, 2024.



Class X appeared for the **Aptitude Test** in two phases on Dec 17, 2024 in the school auditorium. The aim was to assist students in understanding their aptitude and interest in making stream selection in class XI and choosing future career paths. Ms Babita Sinha, School Counsellor & Ms Kritika Dogra, Special Educator, guided the students through the aptitude and interest inventory, comprising **David's Battery of Differential Abilities** and **Strong Interest Test**.



The **International Mental Aptitude Development Programme & LogiQids Olympiad 2024-25 – Round** was held on Dec 13, 2024 for classes I-IX.

CO CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

The **Club Activities** organised in Dec 2024 were interactive and engaging. **Trivia Triumph** conducted a quiz on world **history**. The concept of coding and deciphering was cracked by the students of **Calculus Marvels club**. In the **साहित्य - Luminaries club**, students explored the components of story and created narratives on their favourite heroes. In the **Vedic Wisdom club**, students delved into the cultural significance of the 16 sanskaras. In a session organised by **Orators' Guild**, the students recited poems with articulation. The **Global Diplomacy Forum** deliberated arguments on the pressing issue of pollution control. The members of the **Stagecraft club** engaged in situational acting activity while the **EcoVision Collective club** explored the process of manure preparation in the school herbal garden.



Scholastic India Pvt. Ltd., an international publisher of children's book, organised a **Book Exhibition** in the school premises from Dec 19-21, 2024. N. Vishnu Vardhan Rao of class I-B inaugurated the exhibition in the presence of the principal. Ranging from facts, fiction, thrillers to classics, art, craft and encyclopaedia, a wide variety of books were on display. Students of class I-IX enjoyed visiting the exhibition and buying books of their choice.



On Dec 24, 2024, the school hosted a **Meet the Author** session with the renowned author **Ms Sunita Pant Bansal**, former President of Institute of Indology and who has led publishing houses, founded, and edited newspapers and magazines with readership across the world. In her conversation with the students of classes VI-VII, Ms Bansal encouraged them to explore books and genre of their choice and develop the habit of reading and writing.

With an aim to inspire schools to achieve the UN SDGs, the **School Chameleons Programme 2024** invited schools to share



stories, in which four teachers, recounting innovative ideas for transformation, and around 20 students of classes VII-XII, narrating their experiences of overcoming challenges with resilience, submitted their stories in Nov 2024. As a part of this initiative, the **Hamleys Toy Donation Drive** was organised in Dec 2024 and donated them to an NGO listed by School Chameleons, Nitya Foundation in New Delhi on Dec 14, 2024. The students and teachers donating toys received gift coupons from Hamleys Toys.

INTERNSHIPS AND EXCURSIONS



Students from Classes IX-XI participated in a volunteering programme organised at the ECHS clinic in Noida under the **Sparsh Programme** in Dec 2024. They gained firsthand experience of healthcare services, interacting with doctors and assisting patients. The visit allowed students to appreciate healthcare professionals' roles and contributed to their understanding of medical practices.

The school organised an **educational trip to Rashtrapati Bhavan Museum** for the students of class VIII on Dec 26, 2024. The trip was facilitated by their teachers Ms Karuna Dhall, Ms Rashmi Chopra, Ms Seema Jaggi and Mr Divyam Bisht. The students showed keen interest as they listened to the museum guide and were fascinated by the artefacts on display and the unique glimpses of history offered by all the objects and paintings. The tour of the museum complex with the Garages Museum, Clock Tower and Stables Museum, offered them a peek into the lives of the presidents of India and the country's struggle for independence.



WORKSHOPS FOR STUDENTS

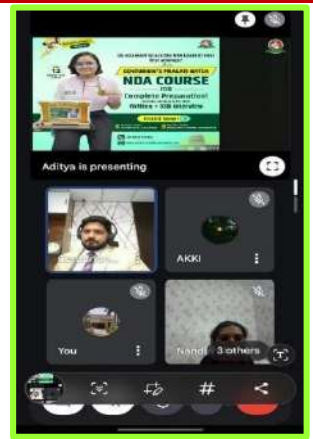


The school hosted a **two-day workshop** on Dec 19-20, 2024, in collaboration with **Vigyantram Technology**, an **MSME-recognized institute** that aimed to provide students with hands-on experience in cutting-edge technologies. A total of 45 students from classes III-XII participated in the workshop. Students gained skill-based knowledge in robotics and automation. The workshop helped students develop problem-solving skills for complex technical challenges.



The school hosted a **Workshop on Chemistry for class XII** on Dec 26, 2024, facilitated by the renowned **subject expert Ms Sunita Ramrakhiani** who guided the students with strategies and techniques to excel in the subject in board exams.

In a **Webinar on Career Opportunities in the Defence Sector**, organised on Dec 20, 2024 for classes XI-XII from 5:00 to 6:00 pm, the resource person **Mr Shishir Dixit**, an **accomplished Psychologist and Chairman of Centurion Defence Academy**,



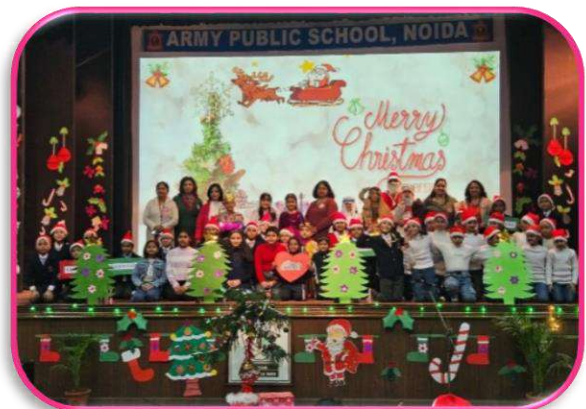
provided insights into the evolving nature of defence jobs and the growing need for professionals with expertise in logistics as defence becomes increasingly reliant on advanced technologies.

CELEBRATIONS & SPECIAL ASSEMBLIES



The Primary and Senior Wings of the school celebrated **Christmas** on Dec 24, 2024, with a spirit of joy and celebration in

the illuminated auditorium decked up with beautiful Christmas trees with tinsels, bells and stockings. The occasion was graced by the presence of the **Guest of Honour and school alumnus, Cdt. Aabhas Bijalwan**. The students of Class VII presented the thought for the day, news update, an insightful talk and a resplendent dance drama, reflecting the theme of the occasion. Following this, the students of Prithvi House of Primary Wing conducted a special assembly featuring a stunning dance performance on the theme of Jesus Christ's birth, with the Santa Claus amusing the surprised young audience.





In a dashing ceremony of **Farewell Fiesta**, hosted by the school for class XII on Dec 27, 2024, **Col Sandeep Chopra of Batch 2001** graced the occasion as the **Chief Guest** with his spouse **Mrs. Neha Chopra**. The outgoing students were presented with citations and mementos by the dignitaries. The principal and the teacher representatives appreciated the remarkable achievements of the class XII. The stunning band performance and an exhilarating dance performance by class XI students were the feast to the senses. In his address, the Chief Guest exhorted the students to be poised to embrace the challenges ahead. The Head Prefects **Avi Shukla** and **Dev Aditya** delivered a heartfelt vote of thanks and the programme culminated with the National Anthem.



The school hosted the **Alumni Meet** on Dec 28, 2024, which saw the participation of about two-hundred alumni, including **Mr. Anshuman Gupta** of Batch 2001 who joined the school on Sep 1, 1995 at its inception. Seven of the retired teachers graced the occasion as the Guests of Honour. The programme featured a dazzling welcome dance and a band performance by the students. The tone of comeback resonated in several alumni speeches. The trivia activities lightened the mood of the atmosphere and the meet culminated with a heartfelt vote of thanks presented by **Mr. Vijendra Thapar** from the batch of 1999.



CBSE ACTIVITIES

The school celebrated **Poshan Mah** on Dec 5-6, 2024 to promote nutrition and health in the school community. After an awareness talk in the special assembly on the theme, the students promised to fulfil their commitment to adopt healthy habits and lifestyle in an oath taking ceremony. They were shown a video on Combating Anaemia, followed by the class discussion on the significance of nutrition to combat anaemia.



As a part of the **Vidyanjali Programme** of CBSE, APS NOIDA deputed Ms Rajlaxmi Swain, TGT (English) to Government Inter College on Dec 12, 2024 for a session on Grammar topics. A total strength of 83 students of class XI attended the session. The school also shared with them the exam practice papers of all the subjects.

As per the CBSE directive, the school organised the **Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav 2024** to commemorate the birth anniversary of the great Indian poet Subramania Bharati, from Dec 04-11, 2024. The celebrations, aimed at promoting knowledge, interest, and enrichment of various Indian languages.



Students were involved in doing activities like describing their thoughts about nature, poster making, cuisine presentations in their mother tongue. They read out a brief biography of Bharati and watched a video on his life and career in their classes on Dec 11, 2024.



TEACHERS WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS



Mrs. Manimekalai (PGT English) attended a **CBSE CBP workshop on Cyber Safety and Security** on Dec 28, 2024, organised

at S.S. Public School, Sec-110, Noida.

Ms. Dhankhar and Ms Rajlaxmi Swain (TGT English) attended a two-day offline **CBSE CBP workshop on Competency-Based Assessment for English Teachers** on Dec 19-20, 2024.



Ms Meena Bisht, TGT (Computer Science), Ms Neelam Aannad, TGT (Geography) and Ms Asha Singh, TGT (Science) attended the **Generation AI @ 2047 Summit**, hosted by **1M1B in association with IBM**, on Dec 02, 2024, at Le Meridien, CP, New Delhi, which brought together students, educators and thought leaders. The agenda was to explore how youth-driven innovations can accelerate the achievement of the UN's Sustainable Development Goals.



STAFF RECREATIONAL ACTIVITY

A recreational event ‘Happiness Cricket Match’ was organized for the staff of APS Noida on Dec 21, 2024 to beat the monotony of day-to-day work schedule. The match was played between the teams Teacher Titans and Admin Avengers with a total of 20 overs, 10 played by each team. Admin Avengers won the match reaching the target of 87 runs set by Teacher Titans in 9.3 overs. The commentators and the cheering teams added spice to the nail-biting moments of the match. The event culminated as the principal Mrs. Indrani Neogi gave away the trophy to the winning team Admin Avengers.



Oxford Big Read Global 2024

[Oxford University Press]

National Level First Prize Winning Book Review by the student of APS Noida

Book Review on “Mulan”

My book review is on the book “Mulan” written by Michaela Morgan and illustrated by Steve Dorado. I chose this book as it is very relatable as the protagonist is a girl and it is an inspiring story to read about a simple girl turning into a warrior and becoming the talk of the town.

The story is about a brave girl who disguises herself as a boy and ends up being a fearless warrior. The setting is of a simple household where Mulan – the protagonist is shown weaving, her father being sick, mother preparing meals and her little brother playing with toys. From everywhere a man is called to join in the Emperor’s Army. Mulan realises her father is too old, and her little brother is too young to join the army to fight for the emperor. She is determined to join and brave enough to do anything to save her family. She prepares herself physically and mentally to be a soldier. She is brave, quick and clever to outwit her enemies in the war. For ten long years, she lives the life of a fine warrior and leader and returns to her family as a hero.

I loved the fact that Mulan broke the stereotype that only men can be warriors or fight wars. The book teaches us not to judge people by how they look and if equal opportunities are provided to girls, they can also do wonders and the unthinkable.



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