

# ARMY PUBLIC SCHOOL NOIDA

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### **Editorial**

This month, our school celebrated a successful Annual Function, featuring impressive student performances. Our students also took part in the Wetland Protection Program, actively contributing to environmental conservation. Additionally, they showcased their innovation and problemsolving skills in the AI Hackathon. These accomplishments reflect our commitment to fostering well-rounded



individuals who excel in both academics and social responsibility. We look forward to more such achievements ahead.

Happy reading ...!

– S.K. Manimekalai & Editorial Team

# **CBSE National Science Exhibition**

Amogh Bhatt of class VII selected among the six teams in the Class VI-VIII category for the **CBSE National** Level **Science Exhibition** held from Jan 30-Feb 1, 2025 at **Amity** International School, Gurugram.



His project showcased creativity and innovation under the sub-theme of Transport and Communication.

#### Accolades



APS, NOIDA achieved the second position in Navyug, a highly esteemed two-phase AI Hackathon organized by myAImate at the Army Institute of

Technology, Pune. The team, comprising Syed Mohd Jari Abbas Rizvi (VIII B), Akshansh Tomar (IX B) and Bhavya Ghai (IX A), under the guidance of Ms. Meena Bisht (TGT C Sc) and a mentor from the Army Institute of Technology, Pune, developed an innovative AI-based application named SafeStream. This application is designed to predict users' ages to filter content and promote safe browsing practices. Out of over 200 participating teams representing 50 schools, APS NOIDA emerged as one of the top 40 teams to qualify for the second phase. The team's exemplary performance will be recognized with certificates and a cash prize.



Reyansh Chhetri (II-B) participated in the Golden Baby League Football Championship held from Oct 29 – Dec 6, 2024. The team secured the second position.



Two teams from APS Noida presented two working prototypes in the Vigyantaram Robotics National Level Championship, held at the prestigious IIT

Delhi campus. **Team 1,** consisting students from classes VI-VII, created **Humdum**, an innovation project helping senior citizens to walk with minimal support. They were awarded a **trophy** in the **Special** 

**Social Impact Innovation** 

category.

Vrinda Patra
was the
innovation
project by Team
2, comprising
students of



classes VIII-IX, which focused on saving *tulsi* plant in extreme weather conditions.

### **ACCOLADES**



students successfully participated in the **iNAVMO** (International Abacus and Vedic Maths Olympiad) and **IMMO** (International

Mental Maths Olympiad) competitions held in 2024. Nine of our students were awarded medals based on semifinals.

- ⇒ Eeshie Singh (Class I), Vivaan Kumar (Class II), Nitya Chawla (Class IV) and Ashima Gupta (Class VII) won gold medals.
- Aaradhya Kumari (Class I) and Aashie Singh (Class IV) won silver medals.
- Sannith Chaurasia (Class I), Nakshatra Pathak (Class IV) and Yuvaan Dogra (Class V) won bronze medals.
- in which a total of 15 students registered and participated.

The World Math Championship was held on Aug 17, 2024 for classes I-VIII, which saw participants competing in various categories. Two of our students, Eeshie Singh (Class I) and Ishanvi Khangal (Class I) stood out by securing a Gold Medal and a Silver Medal respectively. Both students were lauded for their perseverance and their ability to solve mathematical problems quickly. Eenesh Verma (Class II), Shaambhavi Yadav (Class VII), Dhanvi Singh and Reyansh Mattoo (Class III), received the certificates of participation. APS Noida received the Trophy for Academic

Excellence by the Global **Educational Mathematics** Association (GEMA). The school is incredibly proud of students' accomplishments and hopes for even greater successes in the coming years.



ICSO was held for classes I-V on Jan 21, 2025, ISSO was held for classes I-V on Jan 23, 2025, in which a total of nine students registered and participated.

### **CO CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

The school hosted the Tata Digital Mini Essay Writing Competition, organized by Tata Building India for classes I-XII from schools across India in Jan 2025 at the occasion of Republic Day, aligning with the values of Sovereignty, Integrity, and Unity. The topic of the essay was 'What do I love about India?' which encouraged young minds to reflect on and express their vision for a better India. Students had to submit their essays in about 250 words online in three class wise categories: I-V, VI-VIII and IX-XII by Jan 31, 2025. A whopping 300 students from both the Senior and Junior Wing of the school submitted their essays online and got digital participation certificates. It was an excellent opportunity for schools to celebrate Republic Day by instilling pride, loyalty, and love for the country among students.





In alignment with the mandate by the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways and all State Police Departments, the National Road Safety Programme offered an age-appropriate

curriculum tailored for each grade, from foundational concepts for younger students to advanced simulations for Grades 10-12. Students could learn at their own pace from home, encouraging family involvement and fostering a broader cultural impact. The learning phase was from Dec 1, 2024 to Jan 18, 2025. The final assessment was available post-course on Jan 18, 2025. From APS Noida, 218 students actively participated and received certificates after appearing for a final online assessment while 10 of them appeared for the

National Road Safety Olympiad, held on Jan 19. This was an opportunity integrate impactful learning into students' lives while building



legacy of safety and responsibility.

On 28 Jan, 2025, **nine students** from APS Noida participated in the **Indian Coast Guard (ICG) Art Competition**, wherein they creatively interpreted the onspot themes such as 'Blue Harmony,' 'Space Travel,' and 'Save Life at Sea.' Each participant received **a clipboard and art supplies** for their creative and artistic bent of mind. The event deepened their understanding of coastal security and environmental conservation.



#### SAVE WETLANDS CAMPAIGN





A special assembly was organized on Jan 18, 2025 to raise awareness about the conservation of wetlands, an invaluable part of our ecosystem. The highlight of the assembly was the collective pledge taken by the students and staff to commit themselves to the protection and preservation of wetlands. The assembly began with a brief speech by a student, who emphasized the vital role wetlands play in maintaining biodiversity, regulating the water cycle, and mitigating climate change. All students solemnly took a pledge to:

- 1. Educate themselves and others about the importance of wetlands.
- 2. Reduce waste and avoid littering near wetland areas.
- 3. Support initiatives aimed at wetland conservation and restoration.
- 4. Advocate for sustainable practices to protect these fragile ecosystems.

On Jan 13, 2025, the students of class IX actively participated in a rally to raise awareness about the conservation of wetlands. The rally was organised in the nearby areas, aiming to educate the local community about the importance of wetlands and the need to protect them. The rally commenced from the school premises at 10:00 a.m., with enthusiastic students, accompanied by teachers and volunteers. Carrying colorful placards and banners with slogans like "Save Wetlands, Save Life," "Protect Nature's Kidneys," and "Act Now for a Sustainable Future," the students marched with energy and determination. The participants raised slogans to highlight the role of wetlands in preserving biodiversity, preventing floods, and providing clean water.









On Jan 18, 2025, the **students of Class IX** put up a **thought-provoking** *Nukkad Natak*, titled "Save Our Wetlands, Save Our Future," in the school assembly to spread awareness about the importance of wetlands and the urgent need to protect them. The vibrant introduction showcased the rich biodiversity of wetlands that serve as the Earth's natural kidneys, filtering water, providing a habitat for numerous species, and acting as buffers against floods. The impactful dialogues illustrated the threats posed to wetlands, such as pollution, encroachment, and climate change, leading to its destruction. One of the scenes depicted a village community coming together to clean and restore a nearby wetland, emphasizing collective action and responsibility. The message, "Protect wetlands today for a sustainable tomorrow," was strongly imbued with a sense of urgency.





On Jan 18, 2025, students from classes III to VIII showcased their artistic talents and environmental awareness by creating beautiful paintings on the theme of "Conservation of Wetlands". Scenes of serene marshlands, lush mangroves, and diverse wildlife were vividly brought to life, reflecting the student's understanding of the role wetlands play in maintaining ecological balance. The young artists used bright colors and creative designs to deliver powerful messages such as "Save Wetlands, Save Earth" and "Protect Wetlands for a Better Tomorrow." The best paintings were selected to be displayed in the school's exhibition area, and a few were submitted to a local environmental awareness competition.

### **ECHS INTERNSHIP**

As many as twenty-eight students from Classes IX-XI participated in a volunteering programme organised at the ECHS clinic in Noida under the **Sparsh Programme**, starting in Dec 2024 and their 25-hour visit culminated in Jan 2025. 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.



## UN'S SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDGs)



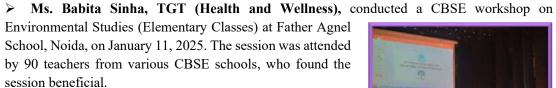
School Chameleons is an initiative by the Australia based Global Chameleons aimed at creating a single platform where educators, principals, teachers, administrators, and students were invited in Oct-Dec 2024 to share stories of their schools' efforts toward achieving the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through innovative actions and proactive ideas. Out of the 200 entries, the stories submitted

by three of our teachers Ms Babita Sinha (Counsellor), Ms S.K. Manimekalai (PGT English) and Ms Shaili Singh (PGT Computer Science) were among the other 40 chosen to be part of the STORIES OVER COFFEE session, or STOFFEE, in the School Chameleons Programme 2025. The three teachers received the invitation to present their journeys online to a global audience on Jan 28-29, 2025 in the STOFFEEs.



#### TEACHERS WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS

- Ms. Karuna Dhall, TGT (Science), attended a webinar, organised by FDRC, AWES on Competency-Based Teaching and Lesson Plan in Science from Jan 20-24, 2025.
- On Jan 14, 2025, four teachers of Senior Wing Ms. Sumita Sen Ghosh, Ms. Anuradha Parashar, Ms. Neelam Anand, and Ms. Erwiena - participated in a capacity-building programme at Cambridge School, Sector-27, Noida. The workshop was centred on the theme 'Educating Parents on Education.'
- Ms. Shweta, TGT (Maths), attended a two-day workshop on Joyful Mathematics, organised by NCERT from Jan 10-11, 2025.



Ms. Kritika Dogra PRT (Special Educator), attended an online FDRC workshop on Feedback on the Progress of Inclusive Education (IE) & Training Review & Best Practices on IE Implementation, organised by the AWES from Jan 28-30, 2025.





### **CELEBRATIONS & SPECIAL ASSEMBLES**

The Primary Wing of APSN celebrated India's 76th Republic Day on Jan 24, 2025. The event commenced with a heartfelt prayer to the Almighty, followed by a thought on our duties as citizens of India. The choir presented a patriotic



song, and the students brought the stage alive through an Action Song. They remembered the brave heroes who fought for our freedom and spoke



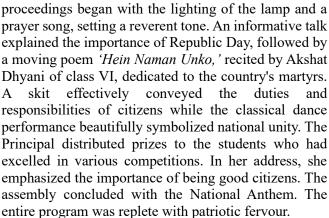
about the importance of Republic Day. The students from classes I and II explained our National Symbols and the Constitution, and the dance group gave a patriotic performance. assembly concluded with the Principal's address. She encouraged



them to embrace kindness and nurture the spirit of giving.



The Republic Day **Special Assembly** Class VI, organised on Jan 24, 2025, was a harmonious blend tradition of and patriotism.

























The school celebrated the 76th Republic Day on Jan 26, 2025 with a patriotic fervour in a vibrant programme that began with the school choir singing patriotic songs, followed by the flag hoisting ceremony by the Principal, Ms Indrani Neogi. The NCC students saluted the National Flag to pay tribute, and the hostellers presented mesmerizing dance performances on Dharti Mata and farmers. Their soulful songs and energetic performances on "Meri Mitti" celebrated India's freedom. Akshat Dhyani of class VI rendered a heart touching poem 'Hein Naman Unko' which awakened the patriotic feelings of the audience. The event concluded with the Principal's inspiring address, urging students to be respectful citizens.

## **Annual Day Celebrations - Arbor Vitae: A Tribute to Family & Resilience**

The Annual Day celebration at Army Public School, NOIDA, was a distinguished two-day event that highlighted the accomplishments and creative talents of both students and staff. On the first day, the ceremony was graced by Ms. Indrani Kaushal, an eminent member of the Indian Economic Service, Batch of 1995, currently serving with the Government of India. The second day saw Major General Saiyed Qamar Ahmed (Retired) as the Chief Guest, with Ms. Nishat Ahmed, an esteemed educationist, attending as the special guest. Also in attendance were the school Chairman, veterans, family members of martyrs, the school alumni, parents and students. The proceedings on both days commenced with the ceremonial lighting of the lamp, followed by an energetic welcome dance. The students also presented tokens of appreciation to the chief guests and special guests as part of the welcoming gesture.

The Principal, Ms. Indrani Neogi, extended a warm welcome to the distinguished guests, setting a tone of gratitude and respect. The students then took the audience on a reflective journey through the school's achievements during the past year, presented creatively in the form of an engaging news segment. The performances throughout both days were centered around the theme *Arbor Vitae: The Tree of Life*, which symbolizes the strength, growth and resilience of the family unit. In this context, students from the primary wing presented yoga and karate performances, emphasizing the importance of physical, mental and spiritual well-being. Additionally, students from both the primary and senior wings delivered songs, dances and dramatic performances, each bringing the theme to life and captivating the audience.

The performances highlighted the challenges posed by modern society's growing reliance on technology, individualism and materialism, which threaten the very foundation of family bonds. The celebrations also featured a prize distribution ceremony to recognize and honour the outstanding achievements of students and teachers over the past year.

The Annual Day at APS NOIDA, was an inspiring and meaningful event that celebrated the values of growth, community and familial bonds.





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