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### Editorial

*APS Noida has negotiated one more milestone in its educational journey and has stepped into the new session from the 1<sup>st</sup> of April. It is overwhelming to throwback and place on record all the achievements and accomplishments in academics, sports, and digitalisation of education, marking a great beginning. Happy reading!*

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### 24<sup>th</sup> Dedication Day at Shaheed Smarak Sanstha of Noida

The 24<sup>th</sup> Dedication Day of the Noida Shaheed Smarak Sanstha was observed on Apr 13, 2025, honouring the valiant martyrs of the nation. As dusk descended, a solemn candle-lighting ceremony was held at the cenotaph. The first candle was lit by Lt. Gen. GL Bakshi, PVSM (Retd), Chairman of the Sanstha, symbolizing eternal gratitude. Next of Kins, Sanstha members, volunteers, and twenty hostellers and two teachers of APS Noida paid their heartfelt tributes in silent reverence. The atmosphere was one of deep emotion and patriotism. The ceremony served as a moving reminder of the supreme sacrifices made and their legacy.



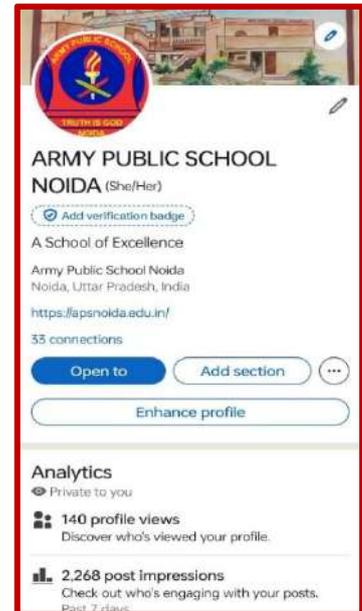
### APS NOIDA on LinkedIn

In a move to building connections through social media, the school IT Department has taken the initiative to launch the school's official page on LinkedIn at the occasion of the 42<sup>nd</sup> AWES Day, celebrated on Apr 29, 2025.

Follow Army Public School NOIDA for updates, achievements, and more on the LinkedIn page:

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## ACCOLADES



Havika Gautam (IV-A)



Divansh Shahi (VII-C)



Amogh Bhatt (VII-C)



Divit Singh (VIII-A)

The **Vikram Sarabhai Science Foundation** (VSSF) Kakkanad, Kochi, organises **Science Promotion Orient Test (SPOT)** annually to test the students' aptitude in science and their conceptual knowledge across disciplines for classes III – X.

It is a moment of pride for APS Noida as **Samridhi Tripathi** of Class X (2024-25), has been selected for the **prestigious Khelo India Scholarship**, based on the recommendation of the **Talent Identification and Development**



**Committee (TIDC)** in recognition of her dedication, talent, and hard work in the field of football. Samridhi is one among the three girls who have been selected from across the country in the Football discipline. This scholarship, offered under the **Khelo India** initiative, aims to nurture young athletes across India by providing financial aid, training, and comprehensive support.

APS NOIDA's **Boys Basketball Team and Girls' Football Team** secured the **3<sup>rd</sup> position** in the prestigious **DPSG Cup**, held at DPSG International School, Dasna, from Apr 22 to 24, 2025. Competing with tough spirit, skill, and sportsmanship, our teams showcased exceptional talent and determination. Their commendable performance not only brought laurels to the school but also inspired fellow students to pursue excellence in sports.



Army Public School, Noida, proudly hosted the **Under-17 Basketball Training Camp for Gautam Budh Nagar** from April 17–21, 2025. Guided by Mr. Karmendra Bisht (SAI's NSNIS Coach and TGT Physical Education), the camp witnessed the participation of around 80 boys and 60 girls from various schools. After rigorous training sessions, 16 boys and 16 girls were selected to represent the district. The teams went on to compete in the Under-17 Uttar Pradesh State Basketball Championship in Bareilly, where they showcased outstanding skill and determination, securing an impressive **third-place finish**.





**Sharav Sinha** of Class VIII A from APS Noida participated in **5<sup>th</sup> Open Tennis Tournament**, organised by The Ace Tennis Academy on Apr 20, 2025, and he was the **semi-finalist** in the tournament.



The school team participated in **Perspectiva – All India Haldiram’s Invitational**



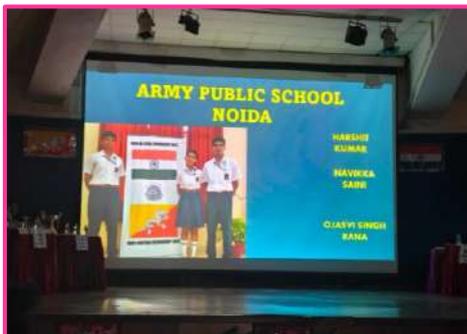
**Debate**, organised by Gyanshree School, Noida, on April 25–26, 2025. The team comprised **Anjani Shivraj (X C)**, **Syed Owais Ahmed (XII B)**, and **Anika Mishra (XII A)**, who served as Speaker for the Motion, Speaker against the Motion, and Interjector respectively. APS Noida was **declared one of the Top Six Finalists**. The students demonstrated exceptional oratory, critical thinking, and teamwork. They received **Certificates of Appreciation and Parker Pens**. Their mentor, Ms. S.K. Manimekalai (PGT English), was felicitated as the Event Coordinator with a Certificate and a gift.



**Yajas Mehrotra**, a young golfer from Class VIII B, APS Noida, participated in the inaugural **Indian Golf Union (IGU) Golf Sixes League** on Mar 24, 2025, at the DLF Golf Course in Gurugram. As a part of the UP team, which finished in **second place**, Yajas scored **45 points at 3 under par**. Six players each representing six teams competed in the scramble best ball stroke play format. For the final standings, the two highest scores from each team's three pairs were taken into account.



On Apr 16, 2025, in the **Indo-Bhutan Invitation Quiz**, facilitated by **Col Vembu Shankar, SC** as **Quiz Master**, and hosted by **APS Shankar Vihar**, six schools participated, including the team from APS Noida, comprising three students of class X, **Navikka Saini**, **Harshit Kumar** and **Ojaswi Singh Rana**. The quiz covered a wide range of topics related to Indo-Bhutan relations, history, culture, and current affairs. The school team **won the Trophy for the Third Position and Certificates of Appreciation**. Their teacher mentors were Ms Bhagwati Bisht (TGT Mathematics) and Ms Ritika Srivastava (TGT Science).



On Apr 25, 2025, two students of class XII C, **Shreejal** and **Shermel Gotra** presented



their innovative project, **EduVan – A Classroom on Wheels**, in the IDEATHON category at the Bharat Shiksha Expo Centre. Their commendable effort was recognised with exclusive access to the prestigious **Student Entrepreneur Summit 2025**, with an award of 50% scholarship for the **TiE Young Entrepreneur Program** (Batch 2025–26). Ms. Shaili Singh, (PGT



Computer Science) was their mentor.

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**Viraaj Srivastava** of **Class V** brought laurels to the school by winning the **Bronze Medal** in the **50m breaststroke** in the **swimming competition** held at Prometheus International School, Noida. His excellent performance and dedication were evident throughout the competition. Viraaj's achievement is a testament to his hard work and sporting spirit.



**Vidhi Pokriyal** of class **VIII B (2024-25)** won a **Bronze Medal** and a **Certificate of Appreciation** for securing **All India Rank 98** in the National Road Safety Olympiad 2024-25 among the students of Grade 8 at the national level. The programme coordinator Ms. S.K. Manimekalai (PGT English) received a Certificate of Appreciation for supporting the road safety mission for kids.



The principal Ms. Indrani Neogi and the coordinator Ms. S.K. Manimekalai received the **Certificate of Honour** for being the **Catalyst to Nation Building** for inspiring **200+ students of the school** to participate in the **Tata Digital Mini Essay Writing Competition**, organized by the school in Jan 2025.



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## MEDIA COVERAGE

Monday 24.03.2025

NEW DELHI

**Hindustan Times** @100

First Voice. Last Words.

**Army Public School, Noida, takes part in Annual Homage Paying Ceremony with great fervour**

Army Public School (APS), Noida, took part in the Annual Homage Paying Ceremony held at Noida Shaheed Smarak to honour the martyrs of the region. The chief guest for the occasion was Chief of Army Staff (COAS) General Upendra Dwivedi PVS, AVSM, who along with AWWA president Sunita Dwivedi, visited the school and commended its contributions, appreciating the institution's choir and volunteers for their efforts.

APS, Noida, played a pivotal role in the solemn event. The delegation was led by its chairman, principal Indrani Neogi and prefects. Representing the school fraternity, the principal and students laid wreaths in tribute to the fallen heroes, demonstrating their unwavering commitment to patriotism and service. The school choir's rendition of stirring patriotic songs added to the solemnity of the occasion, while student volunteers ensured the seamless execution of the ceremony through their exemplary discipline and dedication.

The chief guest lauded the leadership of the principal, in fostering a culture of patriotism and respect for the armed Forces. The COAS, along with other dignitaries, engaged in an interactive session with the students and shared a meal with them. The ceremony concluded with a profound sense of unity and reverence.

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Page 2 of March 24, 2025 edition of Hindustan Times newspaper featured the report of the Chief of Army Staff's visit to APS NOIDA.

Friday 25.04.2025

NEW DELHI

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**Army Public School, Noida, organises orientation programme for new parents**

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Army Public School, Noida, organised an orientation programme for Balvatika I and Class I to welcome new parents and introduce them to the institution's philosophy, curriculum and support systems.

The session aimed to ease the transition for young learners entering the school environment and to establish a strong parent-school partnership from the outset.

Parents were warmly received by the faculty as the session set a positive and collaborative tone for the academic year.

To offer valuable perspectives, Col Sidharth Singh, director of recruitment & publicity (for parents of children in Classes 6-10) and Lt Col Mayuresh Jadhav, OSD at the ministry of external affairs (for parents of children in Classes 4-5), addressed the gathering as parent representatives. They spoke about the importance of balanced development, parental involvement and maintaining open communication with the school, which was well received by all attendees.

The programme coordinator provided an overview of the academic structure and daily routines while the school counsellor and the special educator emphasized emotional well-being and inclusive education.

The session concluded with an interactive Q&A, allowing parents to share their queries and expectations. The programme successfully set the stage for a supportive and enriching school experience for both students and their families.

Page 2 of April 25, 2025 edition of Hindustan Times featured a report on the Orientation Programme of BVI and Class I at APS NOIDA.

## ORIENTATION PROGRAMME FOR BALVATIKA I & CLASS I



The school hosted a warm and informative **Orientation Programme** on Apr 16, 2025 for the parents of the students of **classes BV-I and I**. The event aimed at creating a smooth transition for young learners entering formal education while fostering a strong partnership between the parents and the school. The parents were greeted with warmth and positivity, setting the tone for a collaborative academic journey. Distinguished parent speakers, **Col Siddharth Singh** and **Lt Col Mayuresh Jadhav**, shared insights on holistic development and the value of parental engagement. The Programme Coordinator detailed the curriculum and daily routines, while the School Counsellor and Special Educator highlighted the school's focus on emotional well-being and inclusive practices. An interactive Q&A session addressed parental queries and built mutual understanding. The session was a heartening beginning to the academic year, assuring parents that their children are stepping into a nurturing, inclusive, and empowering environment.



## DIGITALISATION OF EDUCATION



- A **Digital Literacy Program** was launched by the school on Apr 15, 2025, under the initiative **Project Carte Blanche** by the **AWES in collaboration with the CBSE**. This advanced program is designed to equip students with essential digital skills, promote hybrid learning, and support digital transformation in education. The initiative is being spearheaded by the Principal, Ms. Indrani Neogi, with Program Head Ms. Shaili Singh overseeing implementation. The Coordinators Mr. Abhishek

Sharma (TGT SSc.) and Ms. Meena Bisht (TGT Computer Science) facilitated the program in the Model Classes VIII and IX. The initiative aspires to foster digital fluency and future-readiness among all stakeholders.

- As part of its commitment to digital advancement, the school commenced the **Digital Creativity Skills** program on Apr 1, 2025, in collaboration with CBSE and Adobe. Spearheaded by the programme head, Ms. Shaili Singh, this initiative provides **Adobe Express Premium Licenses** to all students and teachers, supported by NEP-aligned lesson plans. Aimed at enhancing creativity, communication, and critical thinking, the program began with a CPD session for educators and an Earth Day activity, contributing to Subject Enrichment grading.

- **Ms. Shaili Singh**, PGT Comp. Sci. and Program Head, attended the **Digicampus 2.0 Training Session** held from Apr 1-4, 2025. The intensive training covered vital operational modules including Student Admission, Management, Attendance, HR, Payroll, Accounts, Fee, Examination, and Library. The session will help implementing the effective integration of Digicampus 2.0 within the school's administrative framework.

## STUDENT WORKSHOPS & SEMINARS

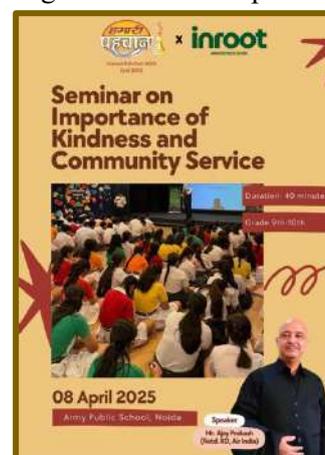
On Apr 8, 2025, the school hosted a dynamic **workshop on CUET**, led by **Ms. Aditi Sharma, Law Head at IMS Delhi**, and coordinated by Ms. Babita Sinha, School Counsellor. A seasoned counsellor with experience of mentoring over one lakh students, Ms. Aditi Sharma guided the students of Class XII through CUET's structure, subject choices, marking scheme, and university options. A general aptitude test and placement insights enriched the session. The workshop empowered students with clarity and strategic direction, making it an invaluable experience for future-ready learners.



The school hosted a **seminar on Importance of Kindness and Community Service** for the students of classes IX and X on Apr 8, 2025, facilitated by Mr. Ajay Prakash, Ms. Meharr Mathur, and Ms. Shruti Diwan of the **NGO Hamari Pahchan**. The session introduced students to internships providing community service opportunities. Mr. Prakash's impactful talk on kindness, along with insights on global scholarships and



leadership, deeply touched the young minds. An engaging Q&A session, enthusiastic registrations, and calls for parental involvement marked the session's success. The event empowered students to become empathetic and socially conscious change makers.



The school hosted an enlightening workshop on **Demystifying IPM from**

**IIMs – An Introduction to CLAT and other Legal Entrance Exams** on Apr 25, 2025 for Classes XI and XII, facilitated by Mr. Rohit Kapoor, Head Career Counsellor at Edumentor. The session highlighted eligibility, preparation strategies, and skill development, offering students a roadmap to success. The workshop was highly engaging, with students eagerly participating in a Q&A session. Mr. Kapoor's insights and motivational advice left students empowered, informed, and inspired to chart their academic and professional journeys with renewed clarity and confidence.



The school warmly ushered in the students of **Class XI** on Apr 23, 2025 through a thoughtfully curated **Orientation Programme**. Led by Ms. Babita Sinha, the



session blended warmth, wisdom, and inspiration. The students of Class XII shared their journeys, offering insights into subject choices and academic life. Ms. Sinha emphasized smart study habits, mindfulness, and time management. Subject teachers welcomed the new batch with expert advice and encouragement. The Q&A session saw enthusiastic participation, with teachers reassuring students of unwavering support. The programme left students energized, informed, and excited to embark on the journey through senior secondary confidently.

## ENGLISH WEEK CELEBRATIONS

Creativity echoed through the corridors of the school as **English Literary Week 2025** unfolded from Apr 21-25, 2025. Organized in honour of the legendary playwright **William Shakespeare**, the celebration served as a vibrant platform for linguistic expression, literary imagination, and a strong sense of global responsibility. This year's edition not only celebrated the power of the English language but also thoughtfully interwove the UN's **Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)**, inspiring students to become articulate, responsible, and environmentally aware global citizens.

The Primary Wing of the school organised engaging activities for its students such as **Show and Tell** for Class I, **Story Time with Puppets** for Class II, **Word Parade** – an innovative way of building vocabulary by personifying words – for Class III, **Book Cover Designing** to spark the creativity of Class IV, and **Comic Strip Creation** for Class V who combined dialogue writing and illustration to craft original and entertaining stories.



The **Senior Wing** aligned their activities with environmental awareness. Class VI crafted **Showcase Green Innovations**, offering practical green ideas paired with illustrations. The ideas by Class VII **Fact vs Fiction: Climate Edition** helped distinguish scientific truth from misconception. Class VIII became digital journalists in **Climate Newsroom**, creating multimedia reports on pressing environmental concerns. Class IX took part in the **Green Think Tank**, brainstorming actionable solutions to ecological issues. Class X merged technology and creativity in **Digital Climate Comic Strips**, designing compelling visual narratives with a message. Class XII concluded the week with impactful **SDG-based Presentations**, showcasing critical thinking, research, and awareness of global challenges. In sum, English Literary Week was a literary journey through the corridors of innovation, expression, and action on the UN's SDGs.

## EARTH DAY CELEBRATIONS

The **Primary Wing** of the school observed **Earth Day** on Apr 22, 2025 with a series of activities aimed at fostering environmental consciousness among young learners. The day commenced with a special assembly by Class III B, followed by a thought-provoking *Nukkad Natak* by the students of Class V addressing key ecological concerns. A range of class-wise activities—including handprint art, eco-crown making, thematic colouring, poster design, and collage creation—enabled students from Classes BV-I to V to creatively express their commitment to environmental protection. The celebration concluded with a call for sustainable practices within the school community.



## POSHAN MAAH

APS, Noida, continued its enthusiastic observance of **Poshan Maah** with a range of interactive, educational, and creative activities aimed at promoting the importance of nutrition and healthy living. On Apr 23, 2025, a special workshop was conducted by **Ms. Surbhi Saxena**, where the students of Primary Wing were introduced to the value of healthy eating through demonstrations of easy-to-make nutritious recipes, complemented by an enlightening address on the benefits of balanced diets and the adverse effects of junk food.

On Apr 24, a special assembly by Class II A on the theme included a speech and a quiz on healthy food habits. Students from Classes IV and V participated in drawing and writing competitions, reflecting their understanding of mindful consumption of nutritional foods. On Apr 25, the school observed 'Healthy Lunch, No Junk Day' that encouraged the students to consume homemade nutritious meals. A Poster Making Competition on the themes of Nutrition and Reducing Carbon Footprint was organised for classes VI-VIII while the students of class IX and XI participated in an essay writing and comic strip making activity on the theme of transforming the environment into a nutrition zone. The Poshan Maah celebrations instilled in students a sense of eating the right food and creating the ideal ecology.



## VIDYANJALI PROGRAMME

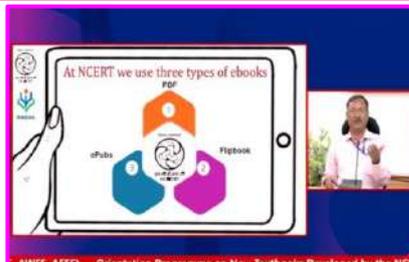
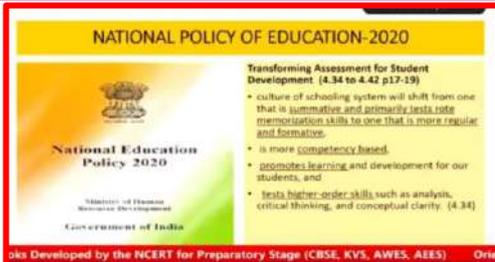


The **ATL Community Days** were organised on Apr 17&19, 2025 to commemorate the **Birth Anniversary of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar** on Apr 14 for two schools of NOIDA – Government Inter College, Sector - 12, NOIDA, and Amar Public School, Sector - 37, NOIDA – which are non-ATL schools. **Fifty students from each school** participated in various sessions, introducing them to the ATL, followed by hands on activities on preparing 3D model with the help of 3D printer, preparing car and truck using DIY kit and making electric circuit using breadboard and LED.

The sessions greatly enhanced and strengthened the knowledge base of the student participants.



## TEACHERS WORKSHOPS & SEMINARS



An **Orientation Programme for Key Resource Persons (KRPs) and teachers** on new textbooks, aligned with NEP 2020 and NCF-SE 2022, was initiated by **NCERT** from Apr 3, 2025. In its first phase, it targets CBSE, KVS, NVS, Army, and Atomic Energy schools. The sessions held from Apr 7-8, 2025 focused on Middle Stage and Bridge Programmes for Class VIII. Attended by 1000 KRPs and teachers across the nation, the session aimed to familiarize teachers with the key pedagogical shifts and curriculum changes introduced in alignment with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020.

The School Counsellor, **Ms. Babita Sinha** attended a CBSE organised **webinar on “Art of Parenting”** on Apr 4, 2025, facilitated by the CBSE Resource Person Dr. Akriti Raj. The session focussed on evolving role of parents in fostering emotional support and key strategies to handle parenting challenges, highlighting the need for parent-school collaboration.



## SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE

When the **Army Commander** visited APS Noida on Jul 16, 2024, the principal brought up the need for an AC bus to make the students’ journey more comfortable for various events. Accordingly, a **brand-new CNG AC bus** that can seat 30–35 people was delivered to APS Noida on Apr 1, 2025. The bus was provided to the school by the HQ 261 Arty Bde, the immediate formation in charge of the school, with the CTS funds allotted exclusively to formations or units under Western Command. The school is looking forward to having cool rides to go places!



## TOURS AND EXCURSIONS

From Apr 11-13, 2025, thirty-five students of Army Public School, Noida, accompanied by four teachers, embarked on an exhilarating educational **trip to Jim Corbett National Park**. The journey blended adventure, culture, and learning—from group games and nature documentaries to a fascinating jungle safari. Visits to Dhangarhi Museum, Garija Temple, and the serene Kosi River enriched students’ understanding of history and spirituality. Creative projects like podcasts and chronicles captured their experiences. The trip was crowned by a thrilling safari, offering glimpses of wildlife in its natural beauty. The closing ceremony, with certificates and badges, celebrated each student's journey. The excursion beautifully combined joy, teamwork, and discovery, leaving every young explorer inspired, enlightened, and eager to connect more deeply with nature.



## AWES DAY CELEBRATIONS



The **AWES Awareness Quiz** was conducted by the students of Class XII with the aim of familiarising students with the mission, purpose, and functioning of the Army Welfare Education Society (AWES). The quiz included questions related to the establishment of AWES, its objectives, key institutions, and the various educational initiatives it supports.



Students across various grades participated in the quiz with enthusiasm. By encouraging awareness about AWES, the event successfully fostered a sense of connection and responsibility among the student community.



Army Public School Noida celebrated the **42<sup>nd</sup> AWES Day** with reverence and pride on Apr 29, 2025. Themed “Knowledge is Power,” the Class XII-led assembly highlighted the values of learning, discipline, and service as envisioned by the Army Welfare Education Society.

The ceremony opened with a solemn tribute to the victims of the recent Pahalgam attack, followed by the Lighting of the Lamp and a soulful prayer by the school choir. A special highlight was the presence of Major Khushbu Mudgil, an alumna of APS Noida (Batch 2005–06), whose remarkable journey from military leadership to corporate excellence left a lasting impact on all.



The programme included a News Desk update, a Thought of the Day, and reflective talks on achievements of AWES and the power of knowledge. A skit portraying the lives of *Srinivasa Ramanujan* and



*Malala Yousafzai* inspired courage and intellect, echoing the belief that knowledge, when guided by purpose, has the power to transform lives. Fusion Dances celebrating the International Dance Day, a poem recitation, and an Army-Drill performance added vibrancy, culminating in a Prize Distribution Ceremony honouring student achievers. Addresses by Major Mudgil and Principal Ms Indrani Neogi reinforced the importance of values, leadership, and continuous learning. The event concluded with the School Song and National Anthem.



In continuation of the celebration of the 42<sup>nd</sup> AWES day, an **Inter-House Painting Competition** was organised on Apr 30, 2025, for the students of classes VI to XII. The theme of the competition was ‘Significance of 2025 in India : Year of Defence Reforms’. Students displayed tremendous creativity and put up wonderful creations.



### Upcoming Events: May-July '25

- ❖ Investiture Ceremony (9 May)
- ❖ Online Extra Classes for X & XII (13-17 May) / CPD for Teaching Staff
- ❖ Periodic Assessment- I (Classes X & XII)
- ❖ PTM (BV-I to XII)
- ❖ APS Model United Nations
- ❖ Western Command Level Inter-APS Under-19 Girls' Football Tournament

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