### News From Schools

### Foundation Day at Udaya Public School, Faizabad

Udaya Public School celebrated its ninth Annual Function on February 23, 2009. The programme showcased items and presentations based on cultural heritage and academic development in modern scientific era. Students took an active part in each activity ranging from anchoring of the programme to the execution of various presentations. Mrs. Madhu Tripathi, principal of school read out the annual report of the school. Different dignitaries and administrative officers gave away prizes and certificates of merit to students.

# International Drug Abuse Day at Jyothis Central School, Thiruvananthapuram

International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit – Trafficking was observed in Jyothis Central School, Kazhakuttom, Triviandrum on 26th June 2009 in a befitting way. Students prepared the charts and posters highlighting the importance of the day. Master Yasir Hareed, a senior student gave an extempore speech in a fluent and highly impressive way. Many other students and teachers spoke on the occasion. A quiz related to the day was also organized. Teachers cautioned students against harmful effects of smoking.

Sr. Principal gave a message on harmful effects of drugs. All the instructions mentioned in letter from CBSE, that is being followed in letter and spirit were once again highlighted.



Students listening to counsellers at Jyothis Central School, Trivandram

#### Teacher's Orientation Programme at Hindu Vidyapeeth, Sonepat

Hindu Vidyapeeth, Sonepat organized an In – service Teacher's Orientation Programme (workshop) in English, Mathematics, Physics, Social Sciences and Calligraphy for one week i.e from 1-6-2009 to 6-6-2009 in the school auditorium.

Prof. Hukum Singh and Prof. V.P. Singh (Mathematics), Prof. V.P. Shrivastava (Physics) and Dr. Nahar Singh (Social Sciences) were the Resource Persons.



Participating teachers at Orientation Programme at Hindu Vidyapeeth, Sonepat.

Including the Host school, teachers from five schools participated in the workshop. The guest schools included Hindu Sr. Sec. School, New Court Road, Sonepat, Hindu Malviya Sr. Sec. School, Sonepat, S.M Hindu Sr. Sec. School, Sonepat and Hindu Sr. Sec. School, Sonepat.

About 400 teachers from five institutions got enriched with innovative methods and modern technology of teaching. The teachers were familiarised with some of the techniques to relate learning with practical life. Total number of teachers who benefited from the programme were 55 in English, 65 in Mathematics, 60 in Physics, 30 in Social Sciences and 400 in Calligraphy.

The workshop concluded with a motivational session and vote of thanks by the Host Principal.

Inauguration of Science and Fine Arts Blocks in G.S. Kalyanasundaram Memorial School, Tamilnadu

27th June 2009 was a special day for Dr. G. S. Kalyanasundaram Memorial



Shri G Balasubramanian lighting lamp with Shri Nagaraju, Regional Officer, Chennai, CBSE at Kalyanasundaram School

School, Chozhan Maligai, Kumbakonam, when the science and Fine Arts blocks were inaugurated by Shri N. Nagaraju, Regional Officer, CBSE, Chennai. The Principal Smt. Revathi Rajan welcomed the gathering .The chief guest congratulated the Staff and Students for the spectacular cultural show put up by them.

Shri G Balasubramanian, Former Director(Academic) CBSE, New Delhi, presently the mentor of the school opined that all round development of a child along with the academic excellence should be given importance.

Co – ordinator of the school highlighted the activities of the school. He said that the philosophy of the Chairman to provide education to children in a manner conducive to over all development of the children evoked remarkable response from the parents and that was visible when they turned up in big numbers to secure a seat for their wards. The function came to an end with the proposal of vote of thanks by the Vice – Principal.



# Inauguration of N.D. Grover Science Block at D.A.V. Public School, Simdega, Jharkhand

Tuesday, the 16th June 2009 is a red letter day in the history of DAV Public School, Simdega. After the affiliation for +2 Science, the newly constructed building named after the pioneer of DAV institution late Sir N.D.Grover was inaugurated. The Hon'ble Deputy Speaker, Lok Sabha was the chief guest of the function. The presence of Regional Director, DAV Public Schools (Ranchi Zone), Sri S. K. Sinha, Principal DAV Gandhi Nagar CCL – Ranchi, Sri T.P. Jha Principal DAV Khunti enhanced the glory of the day.

The programme began with Vedic rituals followed by Adivasi Dance. Many colourful items were presented by the tiny tots of the school. The English Drama 'Othello' was highly appreciated by the audience.

In his 'Welcome Speech' Sri P.K. Samal, Principal, read out the brief history and achievement of the school in various fields.

Addressing the audience Sri L.R. Saini, Regional Director Ranchizone highlighted the excellence and achievements of the students. The Chief Guest inspired the students to follow the foot prints of Hon'ble ex president Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam. The vote of thanks was given by Mr. R.K. Prusty T.G.T. (Geo.).

#### Nava Nirman Public School, Cochin Elected Students Leaders

The student Council of Nava Nirman

Public School Cochin was sworn in at

an Investiture Ceremony held at the school auditorium on 18th July, 2009. The Chief Guest Lt.Col. Varghese George, Commanding Officer 21 Kerala Battalion NCC was honoured by the Chairman of School Managing Committee. The Chief Guest in his brief and impressive inaugural address remarked on the importance of a balanced personality. He pointed out that organizing capacity, leadership capability and mental stamina are nurtured and developed through education. Former Head Girl, Pinky Ann Daniel welcomed the audience. The Chief Guest administered the oath of office and the Principal V.K. George passed on the light to the newly elected leaders. They took the pledge in a solemn way by lighting candles and singing school Anthem. Mrs. Mini Varghese presented merit awards for the school Toppers and Subject Toppers in the CBSE board exams, AISSCE and AISSE – 2009. After the brilliant show, Tony Davis, the newly elected Head Boy proposed the vote of thanks. The function came to an end with various enchanting programs.



A group of students performing at the occasion of Investiture Ceremony at Nava Nirman Public School, Cochin

### Anti Terrorism Day at Army School, Arunachal Pradesh

Students of Class VI of Army School, Tenga Valley, organized a special assembly to mark Anti Terrorism Day on 21st May 2009

The day was observed to create awareness among young students to wean them away from violence and terrorism and highlight the suffering of people.

Students performed a short skit that showed how the dark clouds of terror is engulfing the light of humanity and how the positive efforts put in by the good people from all parts of the world help fight back this evil and create peace, love, life and harmony on this beautiful earth.

The skit was followed by a speech that generated more awareness about the danger of terrorism and violence and its ill effects on the people, society and the country as a whole.

Thereafter, two minutes silence was observed to pay homage to our brave soldiers, leaders and countrymen who lost their lives fighting terrorism.



Enthusisatic students taking part in a group song at Anti Terrorism day at Army School Arunachal Pradesh

The special assembly concluded with the message that

"Terrorism will be defeated and Peace will prevail".

#### Christ Nagar Sr. Sec. School, Trivandrum offered a helping hand

A very young member Harikrishnan, of this Christ Nagar family studying in Class IV was diagnosed with blood cancer by the doctors in the first week of June 2009. The news shocked the entire school and the students and teachers joined together in prayer for his speedy recovery. Prayers were also performed at each student's family. Driven by a sense of social commitment, the school decided to help Harikrishnan with money for his treatment. A food fest idea, similar to the one they had organized earlier, came to their mind and it was soon translated into action on Saturday 20th June. The school campus turned into a grand buffet with an endless variety of dishes and sweets cooked at home by the parents of the students. Students, teachers, neighbours, well - wishers, casual visitors thronged the



Members of the Managing Committee of Christ Nagar Sr. Sec. School Trivandrum with the change of donation



campus, more in order to buy than merely to eat. Everyone felt gratified to have helped for a noble cause.

### World Environment Day at Aditya Birla Public School, Tamilnadu

World Environment Day was celebrated at Aditya Birla School on 5 June 2009. To mark the occasion, a large- scale plantation was carried out in school campus by Executives of Grasim Industries Ltd., Principal, Teachers and Students of our school.

To create awareness about the environment among the students, there was a special Morning Assembly, which was packed with Eco – Pledge, Eco – Song and Eco – Skit. Mr. N. Senthilkumar Biology teacher and Secretary of Eco – Club and Mr. Geetha Govindan Menon Principal of the school enlightened the students with speeches on environment.

A drawing and painting competition with the titles 'Nature' and 'Save Earth' was also conducted for primary classes.



Students taking part in a Plantation Drive organised by Aditya Birla Public School, Tamilnadu

Thus, the celebration was made a fruitful one by the involvement of dedicated team of teachers under the guidance of the Principal.

# Cambridge School, Indirapuram Organized Mock Exercise on Earthquake

Cambridge School, Indirapuram had organized a mock exercise on earthquake in collaboration with the National Disaster Management Authority, Government of India, on July 10, 2009. Major General V.K. Datta and his team of 12 personnel conducted a mock drill on earthquake. The Principal, Ms. Jasleen Kaur, extended a warm welcome to the officers and introduced them to the students and the staff. The officers instructed the students about the strategies to be followed and demonstrated various safety techniques to be adopted in situations like terrorist attacks, fire outbreak, kidnapping, gas disaster, flood, land slide, earthquake, etc. His team from the National Disaster Response Force comprising officers from the CISF, BSF, ITBP and CRPF gave inputs on evacuation, search and rescue, dog search and first aid.



Personnel from National Disaster Management Authority presenting a demo excesses to rescue vacating of disaster

During the mock exercise, the students were asked to duck under the tables on hearing the alarm bell. Later, they were asked to report to the control room about any missing students. The rescue team was sent to evacuate the injured students who were given first aid.

The Principal, Mrs. Jasleen Kaur, stressed on the importance of disaster management. The session equipped the students with the skills needed to face any emergency in the future. She also appreciated the efforts of the entire team to train and equip the staff and students.

#### Multi – Cultural Exchange Programme at Rukmini Devi Public School, Pitampura

A group of 7 students and 1 teacher from Rukmini Devi Public School, Pitampura, Delhi visited Freiherr – Vom – Stein – Schule, a European school in Gladenbach, Germany from 19th May to 1st June, 2009 under Multi – cultural Exchange Programme, an initiative by School Principal Ms. Anita Garg aiming at strengthening the bonds between



Foreign delegate visiting under the Multi-cultural Exchange Programme at Rukmini Devi Public School, Pitampura

the partner schools by understanding the educational system and culture in each school and the respective countries. This was further facilitated by witnessing teaching demonstrations in the classrooms; visiting places of historical and cultural importance like Cologne, Frankfurt, Marburg; meeting the Mayor of Gladenbach and district government officials to get an insight into the administrative set up of the region. Visit to the information and Documentation Center on forced labour apprised the group about the socio – political history of Europe, thereby adding on to the textual knowledge of the young learners. Indian students gained first hand information on combating Global water - related environmental problems by visiting sewage treatment plant. To reap maximum benefits from the exchange, the Indian group also completed pre - planned comparison based projects on various topics and also apprised the German partners and faculty of the Indian culture and heritage by musical and dance performance which were appreciated and even got space in the local media.

#### National Painting Competition Awardee from DAV Public School, Chandrasekharpur

Suraj Dash, a class – V Student of DAV Public School, Chandrasekharpur has bagged the National Child Artist Award which carries a cash prize of Rs. 25,000/- and a citation. A Nationwide Painting Competition was organized by Govt. of India in 3 categories via – school, State and National level, where more than 6 lakh students of Std –IV and V from 28 states had participated. The theme for the



Shri Sushil Kumar Shinde, Union Minister of Power handing over 2nd prize to 'Suraj' from DAV Public School, Chandrasekharpur

competition was 'Conservation of Energy to Create Public Awareness'. Suraj's creation was lauded by the Art Critics as up – to – date and most appreciable. Suraj also received a Cash Prize of Rs. 8,000/- by securing 2nd position in State level.

### Teachers' Skill Enhancement Programme in Sree Narayana Central School, Kollam

Sree Narayana Central School, Nedungolam, Kollam has organized a two day skill enhancement Programme for the teaching faculty of C.B.S.E. schools of Kollam and Thiruvananthapuram districts on 2 and 4 May 2009 with an aim to update their knowledge, to improve their competency and to acquaint them with the modern trends and developments in the field of education.

The enhancement programme conducted in four sessions was inaugurated by Dr. S. Jayaram, President, Indian Psychiatric Association; South Indian Zone in a simple function. Dr. N. Viswarajan, the Principal welcomed the gathering.

During the first session on 2nd May, Dr. K. S. Anitha, discussed the topic 'How to Unleash the Potentialities of Children' and detailed the techniques through which the potentialities can be exposed. Dr. Usha, Faculty of Education, Sree Narayana Training College, Nedunganda, stressed the importance of teaching aids for effective teaching and learning.

Prof. Rajesh. S, delivered a discourse on the topic "Memory Boosters for Class Rooms". The resource person on the fourth session, Sri. Jojo Philip, spoke on the topic "I.T. Centered Teaching and Learning Process" in the present educational scenario.

The teachers benefited a lot from the interactive sessions with the resource persons which follow each session in clarifying their doubts regarding the above topics and acquiring new perspectives in these areas.

Decennial Anniversary Celebrations at Jnanadeepa School, Shimoga, Karnataka



Shri APJ Abdul Kalam with the students of Jnanadeepa School, at their Decennial Anniversary

Jnanadeepa School, Javalli, Shimoga organized a function to mark the Decennial Year of its establishment on 27th Feb. 2009. The Chief Guest for the function was none other than the Bharat Ratna Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam. The function was witnessed by a gathering of about 18,000 people, including students and teachers from almost all the educational institutions of the district. The student achievers in different fields were introduced by the Principal, Mr. Shrikant M Hegde, and were felicitated by the chief guest. Delivering an extremely thought provoking and inspirational speech, Dr. Abdul Kalam motivated the children to nurture the quality of righteousness in their hearts. Emphasizing the role played by a teacher in a students' life, he expressed his faith in the potential of today's youth to lead India towards progress. In an interactive session with the students, he cleared many doubts and conveyed some powerful messages, leaving a mark in every listener's mind. This unforgettable function proved to be a dream come true for the thousands of students gathered in the campus to listen to a great visionary.

## Singing Prodigies brought fame to Pathania Public School, Rohtak



Creativity can be expressed in myriad ways and the music could be one of the potential ways for presenting it.

A duo of crooning siblings viz. Vishal Kansal of Class-V and

Sanjeevani Kansal of Class – Il with an incredible talent in singing from Pathania Public School,



Rohtak brought laurels to the school and the state when they both stood first in the Classical Instrumental Music and Patriotic Song Contest categories respectively in All India Multi Lingual Drama,

Dance, Music Contest (Global Cultural Diversity – 2009) organized by Akhil Bhartiya Sanskritik Sangh, Pune (Maharashtra) on 29th May, 2009.

### Yoga Activities in Class Rooms in Manay Public School, Amritsar

Manav Public School, Amritsar started "yoga in class room" project to soothe physical and mental tiredness and for the relaxation of muscles. It helped the school in maintaining discipline in the class room. It also resulted in a creativity oriented activity / self improvement in addition to increased awareness about benefits of yoga in day to day life.

Students now feel more physically active and mentally alert for the time they are in school. They have improved concentration levels. They have learnt proper utilization of time for self improvement.



Students performing stress, releasing Asan under Yoga in Class Room at Manav Public School, Amritsar



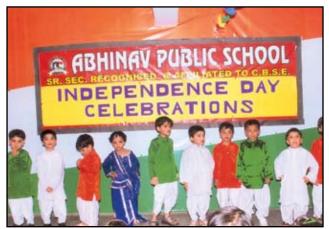
#### International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking at Delhi Public School, Durg

Awareness pertaining to drug abuse and illicit trafficking was spread amongst the nearby masses living in the surrounding areas by the NSS students of DPS Durg. Anti tobacco slogans were also displayed outside the main entrance and inside the institution for the same purpose.

#### Independence Day and Krishna Janmashtmi Celebrations in Abhinav Public School

Abhinav Public School celebrated Independence Day and Krishna Janmashtmi with great enthusiasm and fervor on 13th Aug 09 in the school. The school was tastefully decorated for this august occasion. After the welcome song junior and senior students performed number of dances and songs. The chief guest spoke about the sacrifices made by the Indians to retrieve freedom.

Guests gave away the prizes to the students who had shown extraordinary



Tinytots at the Independence Day at Abhinav Public School, Pitampura

achievements in various fields of school life. The function came to end with the National Anthem.

# Open Day Cum PTM observed at Gyan Mandir Public School, Naraina, Delhi

In order to display the latent talent and the creativity of the budding artists and to have an open session, a face to face interaction with the parents, **Gyan Mandir Public School, Naraina**, observed Open Day Cum PTM recently.

The day witnessed parents' discussion, with the teachers about their wards' strength and weaknesses, seeking advice and counselling with the sole purpose of 'betterment' of their wards. Their tete–a–tete included not only academic performance of their wards but covered a wider area of issues ranging from their personalities as a whole. The parent's queries also included behavior of their children at home, with their siblings, their future aspirations, psychological problems, teenagers dilemmas etc.



Students at Gyan Mandir Public School, Naraina, displaying their creativity by showing different articles made by them

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A wide display of exhibits ranging from models based on some concrete subjects like Group Discussion, Poetry Recitation, Debate Competition of language teaching to models of Probability, Familiar Figures, Testing of purity of urea, Food chart, Dam – generating electricity, Smoke – purifier, Tourists destinations of India, People as a resource, Shikara (made of ice – cream spoons), Traffic Signals, types of Industries, Basketball Court to bus topology etc. proved the maxim 'Seeing is believing'.

The book exhibition of renowned publishers added another feather to the Open day 2009 and proved to be a big crowd puller.

#### Celebration of World Population Day at Tagore Public School, Vaishali, Jaipur

On the occasion of **World Population Day** students of **Tagore Public School, Vaishali** expressed their deep concern and care for the healthy growth and safety of human race.

Members of **Pratap House** of the school staged a skit in the morning assembly to spread awareness among children about the dire consequences of population explosion.

Increase in population leads to scuffle for natural resources that are depleting in an alarming rate due to excessive and mindless demand of mankind. The impending danger of annihilation of life is a real one.

Students took a pledge that they would serve humanity by encouraging sustainable



Students at Tagore Public School Jaipur performing a skit at World Population Day

development through judicious use of natural resources.

### Election Fever at Delhi Public School, Vadodara

In the month of July 2009 the campus stirred with the activities for the Students' School Council Election in the Secondary section. Among the various things that distinguish us from the others is the modernistic approach adopted by our institution aimed at moulding the children to be the ideal citizens.

In democracy the control of authority rests in public. Children learn a lot about democracy and election in their text books, but a first hand experience thrilled them. 46 candidates contested for 14 different posts. These candidates were selected by a panel of teachers from various faculties including the discipline committee, the core council members and councilor. These selection were also based on different criteria like academics, discipline, their contribution in various fields, the confidence and leadership qualities they posses.



Students quieing up to cast their votes to elect students council at DPS, Vadodara

The selected students campaigned and propagated their symbols and manifestoes. The atmosphere was serious when actual voting was done on 31 July 2009. Children got marks on their fingers and they cast their vote on the ballot paper.

The voted candidates were invested with authority and power as the office bearers on 22 August 2009 by the Principal N K Sinha.

## International Day for Elderly at C.M.D.A.V. Sen. Sec. Public School, Mandi Dabwali

C.M.D.A.V. Sen. Sec. Public School, Mandi Dabwali has observed International Day for Elderly as Grand Parents' day on 01.10.09 in the school premises. The grand parents of the class L.K.G to 2nd were invited to witness the program. Sh. Gurdyal Monga enlightened the candle as chief guest. The tiny tots of the school won the appreciation of the spectators for their wonderful dances and sweet songs. The best Grand Parent was selected by an activity entitled as 'Pyar Ki Potli' which was divided into number of



Students of C.D.D.A.V. Mandi Dabwali acting like their grand parents at Grand Parents Day

sub activities. In the last step of this activity the grand parents had to recite the Gyantri Mantra for maximum number of times in one minute and Mr. Shyam Lal Mittal was the winner and got best Grand Parent award. On this auspicious occasion, Ms. Sarita Goyal, Principal of the school, said that it was the little effort for the students who have almost forgotten their Indian values & culture. She said that Grand Parents provide us innate & unconditional love. With their rich experience & guidance, we can grow & unfold our wings to explore new horizons.

### Rajiv Gandhi Akshya Urja Diwas celebrated at Shaheed Rajpal DAV Public School Dayanand Vihar

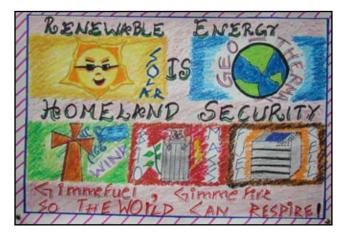
On the occasion of Rajiv Gandhi Akshya Urja Diwas, the Green Gold Club of Shaheed Rajpal DAV Public School organised poster making and essay writing competitions on 12th August'09 in association with Department of Environment, Govt. of Delhi.

The club primarily aims at disseminating awareness about environmental issues. Teachers and students work together to ensure greener surroundings. With the advent of modernisation and industrialisation our non renewable resources are depleting fast. Switching to renewable resources is the need of the hour. In this direction aforementioned competitions were held.

The subject of the day was 'Renewable Energy Resources'. It was an endeavour to sensitize students to the impending energy crisis. Students of classes VI-VIII expressed their concern through colourful posters bearing slogans. Senior students penned down thought provoking essays. They emphasised on cutting down on rampant use of non-renewable resources of energy. Students also suggested ways to harness renewable resources to make this earth a better place to live in. To curb the problem of energy crisis,

one of the participants stated the three R's – Recycle Reuse and Reduce, in her write –up.

Principal **Ms. Renu Laroiya** appreciated efforts of the students. Also, she urged students to conserve energy for a better tomorrow. Staff members and the students pledged to conserve renewable resources.



A Poster made by a Student of Shaheed Rajpal DAV Public School Dayandand Vihar at Akshya Urja Diwas

Movement is a medicine for creating change in a person's physical, emotional, and mental states.

-Carol Welch

