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HIGHLIGHTS OF SALWAN PUBLIC SCHOOL, GURGAON AND SALWAN MONTESSORI SCHOOL, GURGAON

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Unveiling of the History Panel





All the best!!!!!!

### **School as a Family**

School is an extended family for a child. From here a child learns valuable lessons such as bonding, sharing and caring. To strengthen the spirit of togetherness, the school celebrated its annual event 'School as a Family' on May 8, 2015. A large number of parents, students and teachers enthusiastically participated in the event. On the occasion, Director, AVM (retd.) A. Javeed shared that parents should help in building a strong value system and work towards the all round development of their children in partnership with the school. He also emphasized the three important factors which one must instill in oneself- be respectful, be responsible and strategise to be able to perform specific tasks. Ms. Mahalakshmi Razdan, an alumna from the batch of 2006-2007, enlightened the audience with her experience of her school days. The history panel was unveiled by the guests of honour Ms. Uma Dewan and Ms. Meera Bharioke. A human chain was formed by the staff around the students to depict the family circle.

### **IIHM Young Chef India School 2015**

Istuti Kulshreshtha, a Class XII student of the school was declared the North Zone winner of the Young Chef India Schools 2015 contest organized by International Institute of Hotel Management (IIHM), Delhi for school students. A total of 3,500 students from all over the country participated in preliminary rounds at the school level .In the final round of competitions, the food platter prepared by Istuti was adjudged the best by the eminent jury comprising Chef Sabysachi Gorai, Chef Manish Mehrotra, Chef Sanjay Kak and Zubin Songadwala, General Manager, ITC Maurya, NewDelhi.

Istuti won a Rs 30,000 cash award and a nomination to represent the country, along with six other regional winners, in the Young Chef title competition at the University of West London on September 18, 2015. Istuti is a student of the medical stream. She honed her culinary skills in the Food Production classes under the watchful eye of Dr Sadhna Singh, her teacher in the school. What started as a hobby has now turned into a passion for her.



The International Science and Engineering Fair (ISEF) in Pittsburgh.



Interaction with H. Robert Horvitz, Nobel Prize winner



**Exploring new boundaries** 



**Future leaders** 

### Visit to ISEF 2015, Pittsburgh, USA

Two students Upasana Dhaiya (XII) and Ria Sammi (XI) represented team India at the International Science and Engineering Fair (ISEF), 2015 at Pittsburg US. They presented their research on Kodo Millet as a potential natural drug for diabetes. The Fair gave them a unique opportunity to interact with Nobel laureate H.Robert Horvitz, eminent scientists and students from over seventy countries. They visited the Carnegie Science Centre, National Museum of American History, The White House of Science and Technology Centre and Lincoln Memorial. It was an enriching learning experience for the girls.

## <u>International Exchange Programme Seymour Girls</u> College, Adelaide, Australia:

Exchange programmes enhance understanding of cultures and open up the world view. A group of 14 girls (8 from SPS, Gurgaon & 6 from SPS, Rajendra Nagar along with 2 teachers visited Seymour Girls College from August 9 to 17, 2015. During their stay students visited Heigh Chocolate Factory, China Town. At Seymour, in the buddy classes, they learnt traditional Australian art and how to make Anzac cookies. In the classrooms students learnt to use technology effectively to support learning. Later they went to Sydney where they visited the Bondi beach, Harbour Bridge and Opera House. One of the most exciting programmes of the visit was the home stay where our students interacted and observed the culture and traditions of Australian families.

### **Celebrating the Joy of Freedom**

Independence Day celebrations remind us of India's struggle for freedom and infuse the future generation of the nation with a sense of commitment and pride. The school celebrated India's 69th Independence Day on 15 August, 2015 with great enthusiasm and patriotic fervour. The flag was hoisted by the Chief Guest Ms. Suruchi Atreja Singh, Chief Judicial Magistrate and Secretary, District Legal Services Authority. The students from Salwan Bal Bhawan presented a song. Flt.Lt. Anurag Saini, an alumnus of the school, in his address encouraged students to contribute to the nation building. It was a special day for members of the newly elected student council as they were awarded their badges in the Investiture Ceremony.





### **English Empowerment**

The English language not only forms an integral part of the school curriculum, it is also a global medium of communication. Keeping in mind its importance, the month of May was celebrated as the English month. All the display boards were decorated with anagram, homophones, homonyms, palindromes, pictures of contemporary authors and literary devices. A large number of students participated in different inter-house and Inter Salwan School competitions like recitation, enacting a fable, soliloquy, dubbomania, rendezvous etc. The competitions helped the students gain confidence and they were empowered to effectively use the language.

### **'My World' 2015**

Play way is the most effective method of teaching young learners. An entire week of fun activities was planned from August 24 to August 28, 2015 for Nursery and KG children. The tiny tots presented skits, songs, dances on the topics 'Plant More Trees', 'Save Water'.

### Inter-Salwan Scientific Panorama at Salwan, Gurgaon

Observation, argument and analysis are essential components of scientific temper. To inculcate in young minds a scientific approach to learning, the school organized an Inter Salwan School Science Fest 'Scientific Panorama' on 22 August, 2015. An array of events was organized for students and parents .Salwan schools from Delhi and NCR took part in this mega event.

The opening ceremony began with the lighting of lamp by the Senior Scientist Dr. Gagan Gupta, Associated professor in Physics from NCERT and the esteemed judges. Ms. Gulroop Kaur, Vice Principal gave the welcome address and said that such events foster learning and encourage children to go beyond text books. There were presentations, debates, quizzes and a game corner providing every opportunity to the children to explore by navigating their thought process to understand the quintessential 'why and how'. Robots, based on the 'Green City Challenge', were created by the Salwanians. They figured prominently at the fest, drawing keen visitor interest with their captivating demonstrations of speed, precision and power. A Planetarium show was also organized.

The closing ceremony witnessed a tribute to Dr. A.P.J Abdul Kalam through a musical dance extravaganza. The winners were then awarded trophies and certificates. Lastly a vote of thanks was given by AVM A.Javeed, Director, Salwan Public School, Gurgaon.

# MONTH – AUGUST • SESSION ON- 'CHILD RIGHTS' • SOCIAL SCIENCE FACULTY (2015-2016) • BY – MR. KRISHNA KUMAR TRIFATHY (FILD KIGHTS (FILD KIG

Session on Child Right



Session on Hepatitis



### **Raising Socially Aware Children**

The school plays an important role in raising children who are aware of their social responsibilities and grow up to be conscious citizens of the world. The Social Science department organized a number of activities on the theme of 'Child Rights' in the month of August. Human Rights activist Mr Krishna Kumar Tripathi spoke on the rights of children and provided useful information on opening a bank account and helpline numbers. Slogan writing and Debate competitions were also organized. Students of classes VI-VIII visited the Parliament Museum and traced the historical background of Indian National Movement and Working of the institutions of the legislature and the executive.

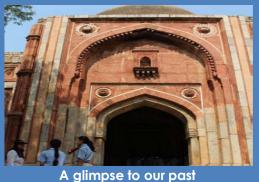
### 'The Aware Youth'

Prevention is always better than cure. Information about a disease helps us in taking preventive measures in an informed manner. The school organized a workshop on 'Prevention of Hepatitis' for classes IX-X, on July 30, 2015, to mark 'World Hepatitis Day' on July 28. The session was conducted by the senior consultant Pediatric, Gastroentologist, Hepatologist and Liver Transplant Physician, Dr. Sakshi Karkra from Medicity, Gurgaon. It was an interactive session which enlightened the students on the functioning of liver and the diseases related to it. The students were taught about the ways to prevent Hepatitis, its various sources and viruses. The issues like personal hygiene, disposal of waste, clean food and vaccination were discussed at the session.

### **CBSE International**

### **Health Week**

Health is wealth. To create awareness regarding the importance of good health, nutrition and eating habits, Health Week was celebrated in CBSE-i classes I to V from March 13-17, 2015. Many activities were performed during this week. The activities were Yoga, Poster Making, Cooking healthy food without fire, Tips on 'SHE' (Safety, Health and Environment), Demonstration on Table Manners and Etiquette.





Orchestra presentation by students



Playing 'Feeding the Clown'



At the 'Garden of Five Senses'



Technical awareness

### Visit to Qutub Minar and Archaeological Park

Visits to historical monuments provide an enriching learning experience beyond the text and classroom for young learners. Keeping in view, this aspect of education, a visit to Mehrauli Archaeological Park was organized on August 4,2015 in collaboration with the India City Walks organization. The students of classes I and II learnt about Outub Minar, one of the world heritage sites of India. The students of classes III to V explored Mehrauli Archaeological Park and got to know the facts about Alai Darwaza & Madrasa, Jamali Kamali mosque and Quili Khan's Tomb.

### **Cool Pool Party**

To strengthen the bond between parents, teachers and children, at the onset of summer vacation, a Cool Pool party was organised on May 16, 2015. Various games were organized in which teachers and students participated enthusiastically. The children enjoyed Feeding the Clown, Bowling Game, River and Bank, Balancing Game, Musical Hula Hoop and Rain Dance. The parents joined the event in the evening around the pool area. The children entertained their parents by

playing an orchestra and putting up their class presentations. A fun filled Tambola generated a great deal of excitement among parents. The event ended with a dinner.

### Visit to the 'Garden of Five Senses'

All the students of CBSE- i visited the Garden of Five Senses, New Delhi on April 21, 2015. The visit stimulated students' sensory responses to the environment. The amalgamation of colour and fragrance, texture and form evoked the awareness of touch, smell, sight, sound and taste. The students were delighted to explore different forms of nature.

### Visit to AMPC, New Delhi

The School organized a visit to 'Automated Mail Processing Centre, New Delhi' for the students of CBSE i classes IV and V on July 4, 2015. Students were shown a video related to the working of AMPC followed by a brief introduction by the staff. They came to know about the importance of AMPC and its attempts to provide a reliable, safe, efficient and cost effective postal service to the nation. It was a great learning experience for the students.



**Mothers in Retro Style** 





Tity tots with green fingers

# Salwan Montessori School Sector 5, Gurgaon

### **Mother's Day**

The mother is a child's best friend. She is the true spirit and influence towards success. There is no replacement of a mother since she holds her child's hand for a while, but their hearts forever. In order to honour and salute all the wonderful mothers, a fashion show was organised on the Mother's Day on May 8, 2015. The mothers came beautifully dressed up in retro style of 70's and 80's. The 'Mom and Me' ramp walk was the real stealer of the day as the mother's zealous and wholehearted participation left the audience mesmerized.

### **Kids Venture**

Summer camp provides opportunities to young children to make new friends while having fun. It increases the sense of confidence and self worth in them. A Summer Camp 'Kids Venture' was organised from May 11 to May 22, 2015 for the children of the school and neighbourhood. A plethora of activities including versatile dance forms, varied art & craft activities and Tae-Kwon-Do were organised for the tiny tots.

### **Green Clean India**

In an initiative to fulfill the dream of our Honourable Prime Minister Sh. Narendra Modi to build 'Green Clean India', the children and staff of Salwan Montessori School, Sector 5, Gurgaon carried out a Cleanliness drive with exuberance and enthusiasm. The high values attached to cleanliness and greenery were conveyed to young children by displaying beautiful messages on the placards. The children sang motivating songs while planting trees on the roadside of sector 5 square.



Let's learn together



**Art of Puppetry** 



CyberBullying



Phonetic



**Festive fervour** 

### **Adopt a School**

No act of kindness —small or big is ever wasted. The school has adopted a school 'Gayatri Vidyapeeth' for the underprivileged children run by an NGO 'Ek Beti Ki Pukaar'. To inculcate the feelings of compassion and brotherhood, a donation drive was started in the school. The children and the staff donated various goods needed by the school. The donations collected were given to the adopted school on the Foundation Day of SMS on May 6, 2015.

### **Workshops**

The involvement of parents and teachers is equally important for a child's growth and development. To keep the parents and teachers acquainted and upgraded with the teaching methodologies and other trends, the school organises workshops from time to time. The workshops on Art of Puppetry, Cyber Bullying and Phonetics were organized.

### **Presentations**

Festivals add fervour to life. To celebrate the spirit of festivity and imbibe the values associated with each festival, the school organized presentations on:

- Spirit of Freedom
- Ek Kadam Swatchta ki Aur
- Eid
- Teei
- Seasons Fashion Show
- Save the Earth

The tiny tots sang and danced enthusiastically in their colourful attires.