

e-newsletter

# **Odyssey Towards Excellence** ...



#### **CBSE CLASS XII BOARD TOPPERS**



Science Dhruv Luthra (96.4%)



Commerce Shubham Aggarwal (97%)



Humanities Ridhima Seth (90.2%) As GDSPS celebrates 25 glorious years of its commitment to education, it wishes to extend a sincere gratitude to the Salwan Education Trust for its generous ongoing support to build and sustain this institution that is well established today. This milestone is a testament to the dedication of its employees, parents and the students.

With a modest beginning in 1990, GDSPS began its journey and has established itself into a full fledged public school with a difference. It grew to a secondary school in 2003 and a senior secondary in the year 2008.

Today the school has expanded into a distinct school of excellence catering to more than 1100 students. The school is proud to continue its services to saving the environment, heritage and working for other social issues. The school has been applauded for its commitment to providing meaningful solutions for a safer, healthier environment and has won the Green School Award for the same. The school has been awarded with the International School Award twice for imbibing international curriculum and making its students global citizens. The other accolades include Indy's Best Award, Longest Running Partnership with an International School, Best Use of Technology in Developing and Sustaining Partnership, Best Heritage Club and many such prestigious awards.

The school has come a long way and believes in adding more values to reach even greater heights. As GDSPS celebrates its Silver Jubilee year, it's a proud moment for the staff and the students to declare that being a part of such an institute that always learns, it feels that there are

..... miles to go before I sleep.

## **CBSE Scholarship**

Dhruv Luthra and Oasis Surana of class XII are the proud recipients of Scholarship of Higher Education by the Department of Science and Technology, Ministry of Science and Technology, Govt. of India for being within top 1% in the CBSE Class XII Examination 2014.

#### Teachers Honoured by Hon'ble Minister, HRD

Hon'ble Minister HRD, Smt. Smriti Irani congratulated teachers for the excellent Class XII board result and sent her wishes in the form of appreciation letters for Mr. Ganesh Chandra (Mathematics), Ms. Yojna Bablani (Computer Science), Ms. Charu Lal( Biology)Ms. Rekha Navani (Business Studies) and Ms. Dolly Dhawan (English Core).

# **ECO WARRIORS**



Creativity at its Best



Spreading Awareness...Street Play



Service to Humanity

## WASTE MANAGEMENT

Best out of Waste activity was organized in the month of April 2014. The children learned to use waste products into various innovative and creative ways. Students made things like envelopes, puppets, paper bags using old calendars, wall decorations using things like pens, refills, strings, sand, ribbon, etc. and flowers with the help of ice cream sticks, cotton, buttons, paper plates etc.

## **STREET PLAY**

An Inter-House Street Play Competition to support and spread environmental awareness amongst the students was organized on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2014. It aimed at sensitizing children on the delicate issue of saving and healing the Mother Earth, taking the lead in the green economy and promoting sustainable development. Nukkad Natak also helps students with communication skills. develop outside-the-box thinking, and synthesizing and analyzing ideas. The students, through their strong and thought-provoking dialogues ignited the spirit in the young Salwanians to conserve the environment.

## An Initiative to Instill Values

The students of Class XI were sensitized towards the issue of the girl child through a visit to the St. Michael's Girls Orphanage, Jangpura on 20<sup>th</sup> December 2013. The students spent the entire day at the orphanage and sang carols and prayers with them. They distributed gifts to all the girls. The students were surprised to see how these young girls manage to live a comfortable life without any problems and within the limited means. It was a heart-touching experience and the students learnt the most important lesson of life - the lesson of being thankful to God for what all they have and the fact that our sole aim should not only be to look after ourselves but also to look after the community we live in.



Buddha- A Dance Drama



## Colourful Extravaganza



## The Prefectorial Board



Gratitude towards Grandparents

## **Reawakening Divinity Through Buddha**

GDSPS celebrated its Annual Day on 14<sup>th</sup> December 2013. Maj. Gen. D. S Narayanan, VSM , Deputy Commandant , Army Hospital (R&R) graced the occasion as the Guest of Honour. Amongst other distinguished guests was Ven'ble Swami Sumithnanda Santhil Thero of the Maha Bodhi Society. Special awards for excellence in academics, sports, music, art, etc. were given to the meritorious students by the Guest of Honour. The highlight of the evening was 'Buddha', a musical dance-drama based on the life of Buddha, highlighting the evolution of his thought, his triumphs and teachings. Students presented a resplendent pageant of art, music, dance and drama. The programme was highly appreciated by the eminent guests.

## **Investiture Ceremony**

G.D. Salwan Public School held the Investiture Ceremony on 12<sup>th</sup> May 2014. Hon'ble Chairperson, GDSPS, Ms. Janak Juneja and the school's Director Maj. Gen. (Retd,) Navneet Khanna, VSM graced the occasion as the distinguished guests. With the vigorous beats of the drum, the new council marched in procession up to the stage. They stood upright with their heads held high and their hearts in humility as each picked up their precious flags. The outgoing cabinet members handed over the coveted house flags and transferred their responsibilities to the newly appointed members. It was a defining moment for newly elected Head Boy Tushar Bhardwaj and Head Girl Sakshi Lahori. The Principal administered the oath of office to the newly elected members of the council, who pledged to adhere to the values and principles upheld by the school.

## **Grandparents' Day**

Though not always involved in the hustle and bustle of daily school life, grandparents are a vital part of our school's traditions and the educational experience of the students. To recognize and honour this role, G.D. Salwan Montessori School organized the annual Grandparents' Day on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2014. The aim behind bringing celebrating Grandparents' Day is to bring about a positive change in the outlook of the present generation. The programme commenced with a beautiful prayer presented by the teachers, followed by a welcome Ramayana recital. The tiny tots were all excited to perform for their grandparents. The grandparents participated in a number of fun activities with great excitement. They were overwhelmed by the heart-warming gesture of the school and thanked the school for the wonderful programme.

### **G D SALWAN PUBLIC SCHOOL**

# Accolades



#### **International Commerce Olympiad**

Shubham Jain stood First in class XII with 96.1% (percentile) and from Class XI Kunal Kapoor was the topper with 80.7 % (percentile) in the Fifth International Commerce Olympiad organized by CTA on 29th November, 2013.

#### 'Pramerica Spirit Of Community Awards'

Navya Babbar and Umama Akif of class VI achieved the third position in the project "Reaching out to senior citizens", organized by Pramerica Spirit of Community Awards and bagged the Bronze medal on 6<sup>th</sup> April, 2014. The students volunteered to clean the neighbourhood area and spread awareness and carried out a plantation drive in the community park.

#### **INDY's Education Award for Heritage Studies' Project**

G. D. Salwan Public School was the proud Recipient of the INDY'S Education AWARD at the National Level in the Education category for introducing Innovative Teaching Practices on Heritage in the school on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2014. The Best Practices Award was bestowed on as to how the school mobilized students through Heritage awareness programmes, including the field campaign to the adopted monument 'Bhuli Bhatiyari Ka Mahal'.

**Street Play Competition - Second Position** 

Poem Composition - First Prize - Anshul Kumar

## **Inter-school Competitions**

Honour to the School

#### Project 'Save The Tiger: Leave Me Alone'

Students brought laurels to the school by winning various competitions in Project 'Save The Tiger: Leave Me Alone' held at Salwan Public School, Rajinder Nagar on 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2014. 4.

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- 1. Fashion Show First Position Vani Garg.
- 2. Instrumental Music Consolation Prize
- 3. Rangoli Competition Second Prize

#### **Panchtatva Saviours Competition**

The school bagged the Third Position in the categories 'Street Play' and 'Green Rhymes' and won a Consolation prize in the Dance Competition held at Delhi Public School, R.K. Puram on 25<sup>th</sup> April 2014.

#### **'MELANGE 2013'**

Ambika Anand and Ashutosh Bhowmick of class IX won the third prize in Science PowerPoint Presentation on 'Solar System' in 'MELANGE 2013' organized by Adharshila Vidyapeeth on 20<sup>th</sup> November, 2013.

#### VIBGYOR-2013

Ruheen Khan of class VII and Aryan Pandita of class VI secured the Second Position in 'Dialogue Presentation' and Manisha Jana of class V stood Third in Calligraphy Competition in VIBGYOR-2013 held at New Horizon School on 20<sup>th</sup> November, 2013.

#### **Drama Competition by British Council**

Six students from classes X and XI participated in a Drama Competition organized by British Council on 14<sup>th</sup> May 2014 at DLF Public School, Sahibabad. Four out of the six students stood first in their respective groups and won a voucher of Rs. 1000 each.

## Sports

Shivam Shukla of Class XI was selected to participate in Indian Junior National Shooting Camp. The camp was organized by Sports Authority of India at KSSR Shooting range in the Rifle Pistol event, from 15<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup> January 2014.

Sandeep Das (Class –XII) and Keshav Kalia (Class XI) bagged the First Position in Inter District Cricket Tournament Under-19 held on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2013 and received a scholarship.

Nikhil Chaudhary represented Delhi in the Sub-Junior Volleyball team in 59<sup>th</sup> School National Games held in Jammu and Kashmir on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2013.

### SALWAN BOYS SR. SEC. SCHOOL



Marching Ahead...NCC Cadets



## Coca Cola championship



Shivam Chauhan-The Cricket Champion

#### National Cadet Corps

The Cadets of NCC have been bringing laurels for the institution for the last many years by achieving remarkable feats at various competitions. NCC activites undertaken by our students are as follows:

#### 1. <u>PM Rally</u>

- a) 60 students participated in Martial Arts demo.
- b) 3 students participated in Para Sailing.

#### 2. <u>Cadets Annual Training Camp (CATC) Karala Camp:</u>

Cadets from our school came out shining with 10 Gold, 7 Silver and 3 Bronze medals in the various competitions held in CATC. Cadets made the school proud by winning the Runners Up Trophy for the Drill

#### 3. CATC Badli Camp:

25 students attended the ten days CATC camp wherein they participated in various activities like Drill, Quiz, Musical Chair, Inter Company Football Matches, Firing Competitions and various cultural activities. To promote the qualities of courage discipline and character, motivational lectures were delivered by JCOs and NCOs to the cadets. The cadets won 5 Gold and 3 Silver medals in Inter Company Competitions. They also won the trophy for the Best Drill.

#### **Budding Cricketers of Salwan Boys School**

- 1. The school cricket team won the prestigious Coca Cola Cup and Dare Devils Cup.
- Rajesh Tangri, Rishabh Drall, Prashant Vashist and Mulkit Bhat have been selected in U-17 Coca Cola XI India Team to play against National U-17 Bangladesh team.
- Shivam Chauhan has been selected as an overseas player for Harow St Mary's Cricket Club England for the 2014 season. This cricket club plays in the prestigious Middlesex Championship Cricket League, Division 1 London.
- Sufiyan Alam represented Goa Cricket Association in Under -19 Vinoo Mankad Trophy Tournament and U-19 Cooch Behar Trophy Torunament for the season 2013-14 organised by the Board of Control for cricket in India.

Salwan Boys School attained the top position in the Hindustan Times Top School Survey 2013.

## <u>Academics</u>

Ashwani Sherawat of XII (Humanities) has made the school proud by scoring 90.8% in CBSE examinations for which he received a letter of appreciation from Mrs. Smriti Zubin Irani, Minister HRD, Govt. of India

Our Top Scorers (Class XII) 2013-14 - Subject wise.

Name	Subject	Marks
Arman	English	95
Abhishek	English	95
Roshan Kumar	English	95
Ujjwal	Maths	96
Sajjad	Physics	91
Sajjad	Chemistry	91
Sajjad	Computer Science	92
Piyush Dotania	Business Studies	96
Piyush Dotania	Accountancy	95
Roshan Kumar	Accountancy	95
Roshan Kumar	Economics	91
Rahul Khadka	Physical Education	88
Ashvani Sherawat	Hindi	95
Ashvani Sherawat	Geography	94
Ashvani Sherawat	Political Science	95

**Painting Competition**: Aman Gupta of Class VIII won the first prize in the Painting Competition on the theme 'Save the Girl Child' organized by Dainik Jagran on 11<sup>th</sup> April 2013. He bagged a trophy and a cash prize of Rs. 50,000/-

#### **Dengue Awareness Programme**

Hindustan Times conducted Dengue Awareness programme for the students. A street play was enacted to sensitize the students about this menace. A Painting Competition was also held in which many students participated and were awarded for their artful expression.

#### Summer Camp

To imbibe and inculcate a sense of responsibility, fearlessness and duty among the students, the SBS organized a summer camp in which 100 students took part. The students undertook various activities such as Rock Climbing, Rappling, River Crossing, etc.

#### **Earth Week**

Earth week was celebrated in the school premises in April 2014. Various competitions were held to spread awareness amongst the students through speeches, drawing and painting competition. Tree plantation drive was undertaken as a modest effort to improve the environmental conditions in Delhi.

#### **Teachers' Workshops**

To ensure that the teachers stay abreast with new ideas and theories the school facilitated the participation of teaching faculty in a wide range of workshops, seminars and in service training programmes held by SET and SCERT.