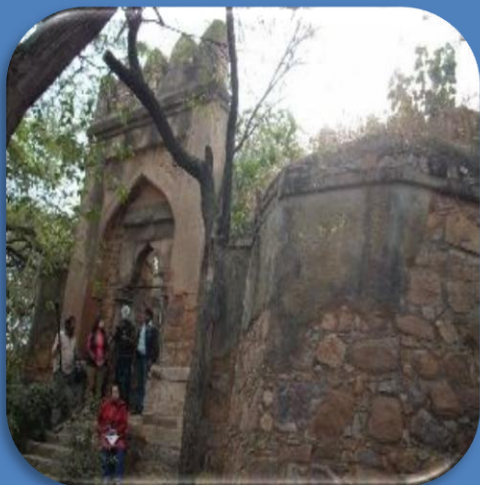




Children - Guardians of an Illustrious Heritage



Monument Bhuli Bhatiyari – adopted for revival



Heritage Talk by Dr. Naveena Jafa

Under the Heritage Education Programme GDSPTS adopted the monument '**Bhuli Bhatiyari Ka Mahal**', a hunting lodge with the aim, to revive it. A Cleanliness and Plantation drive was carried out at the monument for its revival. Dr. Naveena Jafa, an eminent walk leader and Heritage Consultant, graced the occasion and gave an inspirational talk about her valuable experiences and interesting anecdotes about Delhi's Heritage with the parents and the students.

Under this project the students collected evidences such as documents, artifacts, and various objects of the built environment. The curriculum included video programmes, (wildlife adventures), creating a heritage blog, drawings and photographs. The work done by the students was exhibited at the **Heritage Mela – 'Jashn-e-Dharohar'** at the adopted monument.

The selfless efforts of the students were applauded when the school was awarded for its innovative project- "**Heritage studies - Transforming Integrated Pedagogy**" in the year **2012-13**, in the All India Competition on Innovative Practices and Experiments, by National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT).



Green Initiatives



Green School Award



School Eco-Brigade in action



Nurturing the present for a brighter future

Green School Award: The school was awarded the **Gobar Times Green Schools Award** in the academic session 2012-13 by the Centre for Science and Environment (CSE), New Delhi for taking the initiative to create awareness, instilling respect and appreciation for environment in the students.

Plantation Drive

The school is carrying out DMRC plantation drive at Pusa Road. Students visit the place class-wise each day and water the saplings planted by them. Students have also made Murals in order to beautify the concrete Metro pillars at Pusa Road. As a result, the central area has become the new, aesthetic face of the city-art.

In continuation with the school's efforts of providing environmental consciousness, a plantation drive is carried out every year at Rajputana Rifles, Delhi Cantt. in collaboration with the Army.

Green Growth

The school is associated with **TERI (The Energy and Resource Institute)** under **Project SEARCH** (Sensitization, Education and Awareness on Recycling for a Cleaner habitat). Used tetra packs and plastic bottles are collected and sent for recycling. The school's Eco-brigade is quite active in motivating students to collect used bottles and Tetra packs.

The school, in association with paper recycling unit JAAGRUTI, collects old newspapers and used papers every day and once substantial amount of paper is collected, recycling unit of JAAGRUTI exchanges it for recycled A4 reams as per the weight of used paper.

In its committment towards the cause of environment conservation, the school has constructed Recharge Wells to harvest rainwater, waterless urinals to conserve water and has installed solar lights to conserve energy.

Integrating Global Curriculum



International School Award



Sounds of India in UK



GSP Honours Award

G D Salwan Public School is a proud recipient of **International School Award** 2011-14 for its continued journey of collaborative learning programmes with eight partner schools in United Kingdom, Croatia, Sweden and USA. The students studied about World Culture, Architecture, Cuisine, Economy and Music and exchanged their projects and ideas with participating schools through email exchanges, blogs, British Council website and Videoconferencing sessions.

DFID Global School Partnerships

DFID promotes partnership between schools in UK and schools in Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean. Our school started its partnership with St. Matthews C of E Primary School, Leeds, UK in 2004 and has been going on till date. Each year various projects are undertaken on different topics and the information collected is exchanged with the partner school. The topics focus on a cleaner world, our neighbourhood, **endangered species**, **natural disasters**, **caring for others** which help in the enhancement of curriculum, capacity building opportunities and networking with other schools.

Global School Partnership Honours Award

As a part of GSP Honours Award for the session 2012-13, GDSPS received the **First Prize** under the category- **Longest Running Partnership with an International School**. The school has been in partnership with St. Matthews C of E Primary School, Leeds, UK since 2004 till date. The school also received the **Second Prize** under the category - **Best Use of Technology in Developing and Sustaining Partnership** amongst the nominated schools all over India.



A traditional welcome



The delegation at school



Goonj... lending a helping hand



Session with Special Educator

The GELP Delegation @ GDSPS

G.D. Salwan Public School welcomed the delegates from different parts of the world as part of **Global Education Leaders' Programme (GELP)**. The team of educationists visited the school to learn about the best teaching practices and educational aids used in the teaching and learning process.

The delegation had an interactive session with the students who highlighted the school's projects such as rainwater harvesting, waste management, bio-composting, etc. through their informative presentations. Students answered very thoughtfully to the questions put by the visitors by talking about bringing a change in the mindsets of people by visiting the vicinity. The students also presented a report on the school's initiative in reviving the heritage monument '*Bhuli Bhatiyari Ka Mahal*'. They explained how they became aware of the threats being faced by the site and learned how their little cooperation can contribute towards heritage conservation.

Community Service Initiative

The school is associated with **GOONJ**, an NGO, which supports thousands of deprived rural and slum school children. The students of GDSPS donate old books, uniforms, shoes, school bags, etc. which is turned into a resource for the underprivileged. The initiative has helped the students learn that they can actually make a difference with what they do. This has also helped them to understand their own competence, leading to more self-confidence and a can-do attitude towards the betterment of the society.

Inclusive Education

The school also promotes inclusive education by grooming and educating children with special needs in an open environment to encourage, support, and foster positive academic, career, social, and personal development. They are given sessions with the special educator. After analyzing the student's behaviour, future course of action is planned. Parental counselling and sessions are held on how they can help their wards at home.

Workshops Attended / Conducted



Let's give Peace a Chance



CBSE ASL Workshop



Grooming Leaders

Youth Connecting Youth to Peace

As conflict areas all over the world reel under violence and insecurity; and where peace activity raise their voices against war, the Indian youth, in their overall way, are lending strength to this voice. A Workshop on Peace and Work for Harmony was organized by Coalition for Nuclear Disarmament and Peace (CNDP) at GDSPS to sensitize students towards peace issues. The workshop was held on 8th of August 2013 in commemoration of Hiroshima Day. Eight schools from across the city participated in this event. Renowned activists from India and Japan enlightened the students on the issue of nuclear disarmament. The students came up with creative ideas to prepare a short play that emphasized the need for global peace. It focused on national integration and communal harmony.

Workshop on Assessment of Speaking and Listening Skills

Ms. Dolly Dhawan, PGT English, has been appointed as a Resource Person by CBSE to conduct two-days' Teacher Training Workshops on Assessment of Speaking and Listening Skills for classes IX and XI. She conducted comprehensive workshops in September and October 2013, which facilitated English teachers from various schools to become Oral Examiners for ASL. The major thrust behind the workshop was to achieve international benchmarking as per the CBSE validity in Assessment of Speaking and Listening Skills in English.

Leadership Development Workshop

Divyank Sachdeva, student of class XI, participated in 'Leadership Development Program for School Students' of Project SEARCH member schools at Swapangandha Valley – Chorla Ghats at Goa-Karnataka border in June 2013. The camp provided interactive sessions and group activity on sustainability.

Sports Icons Of GDSPS



Neha Bhargava of class VIII has been selected in **U/19 Cricket Tournament from Delhi Team**. She is an all-rounder cricketer and has played in the National Tournament in Bombay. She has also played in U/19 Team in 58th School National Games in Kolhapur, Maharashtra.

Himanshu Soni of class XI bagged the **First Position in Shot Put in C.B.S.E. Athletics Meet in October, 2013**. He has been selected to participate in the C.B.S.E. National Athletics Tournament to be held in Varanasi in December, 2013.

Project Mango Mania



Mango Mania



Project Mango Mania: GD Salwan Montessori School observed 'Mango Masti Week' as part of Mango Project. Various non-competitive activities were envisaged to enhance various skills of the students and ameliorate their expression. The whirlwind of activities included free hand drawing and colouring, show and tell about a fruit, clay moulding and sow a seed. The students enjoyed the activity of preparing mango shake and mango jam sandwich the most.

The concepts of ripe and raw, sweet and sour, hard and soft and big and small mangoes were also explained by showing them different varieties of mangoes They were also told about the mangoes available all over India which include **Hapoos**, grown in Maharashtra and is considered the "king of mangoes" in India. **Totapuri** is the first variety that arrives in the market in the mango season. Another popular variety of Mango the students tasted was **Kesar**, which comes from Ahmedabad, is available in the month of May. June brings **Badami, Lalpatta, Neelam and Malgova**. **Langra** mango is available in the month of July. **Dashehari** mango, originated from Uttar Pradesh, gets its name from the Dashehari village near Mallihabad. It has green peel with sweet yellow pulp. The other varieties that the children learnt were **Gulaab khaas , Neelam, Sindhoori, Chaunsa**, etc., known for their exquisite aroma and fleshy pulp.

A quiz on mangoes was also conducted to appraise the knowledge and understanding of the young minds. The end of the week was marked by the crowning of "Prince and Princess Mango". The enthusiasm with which the creative minds performed in the activities and the ideas through which they expressed their observation was fascinating. A week long project was filled with undiluted fun, soaring spirits, unleashed creativity and a galore of exhilarant activities.