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Highlights of Salwan Montessori School, Rajendra Nagar & Salwan Girls Senior Secondary School, Rajendra Nagar

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A WORLD OF INFINITE POSSIBILITIES

Salwan Montessori School, Rajendra Nagar aims at providing a safe and nurturing community where diversity is celebrated, mutual respect among adults and children is practised and parents and caregivers are seen as valued partners in laying the foundation of lifelong learning.



Little Salwanians enchant the esteemed audience with 'Ganesh Vandana'.

BLAZING SPLENDOUR

Dance is basic to learning and children learn most readily from experience. At Salwan Montessori children get ample opportunities to exhibit their talent through multiple perspectives.

When ability meets opportunity it is pure magic. Our little ones performed 'GANESH VANDANA' an inaugural dance at prestigious occasions this year.

- They performed at the CBSE 10th National Science Exhibition hosted by Salwan Public School. The Exhibition was inaugurated by CBSE Chairman, Shri. Vineet Joshi and Director CBSE, Dr. Sadhna Parashar.
- The talented team of our little dancers had the proud privilege of welcoming the delegates of GELP (Global Education Leaders Programme) at the inaugural function at Hotel Le Meridian on 23rd October, 2013.
- They also performed at the inaugural dance for the Council of Boards of School Education in India (COBSE). We are proud of our little dancers' fantastic success who were showered oodles of appreciation time and again and brought laurels to the school.

A RESPONSIBLE PARTNERSHIP – For a worthy cause

*A world full of love, light and laughter,
Let us make it happen.....*



Blood Donation-The Greatest Gift of life



Food Festival -flavours of rich Indian cuisines.



Flagging off the bus going to hospital with gifts

BLOOD DONATION CAMP

The school organized 19th **Blood Donation Camp on Saturday, 24th August, 2013**, in association with the Armed Forces Transfusion Centre, with the aim of sensitizing the students and parents towards the selfless services rendered by the sentinels of the nation. The camp was inaugurated by **Maj Gen M.K. Unni**, VSM, Deputy Commandant, Army Hospital, Shri Sushil Dutt Salwan, Chairman, SET, Shri Prasad V. Medury, Chairman, SPS along with the Principals of all the schools under the aegis of Salwan Education Trust.

Food Festival was also organized with parents to indulge in the flavours of rich Indian cuisines. The festival exemplified how tradition, culture and community are important in setting the Patriotic rhythm.

The students entertained the gathering through a cultural programme and **Buddy Games** between soldiers and parents. Kite flying added fun to the magnificent occasion. An amazing spectacle was witnessed by the guests, when an artist from Rampur decorated the sky with 100 kites on a single string.



Colour of Patriotism

CREATIVE PROWESS

Setting standards for ourselves



Story Telling on 31st July 2013 was an assortment of folktales, fables, animal love and legends from around the world. The storytellers came donned creative costumes and displayed confidence laced with great enthusiasm.

The most applauded entries were of:

AMRITA KAUR	KG-B
GAURIKA OBEROI	KG-C
RIDDHI AHUJA	KG-B
RISHIMA BHARDWAJ	KG-D
ISHITA JAIN	KG-B

Nursery Rhymes Recitation that was held on 1st August 2013 left the audience humming and swaying along with the participants.

The best recitations included:

MANASVI SINGH	NUR-B
SHRIYA PRAKASH	NUR-F
NAYSHAA SINGH	NUR-E
SARAH DHAWAN	NUR-B
LAKSHIT SAWHNEY	NUR-C

ACTIVITIES GALORE

Learners actualize their potential to become architects of their own growth



Special assemblies have an educative value as they help the children acquire knowledge about the traditions and rituals associated with different festivals of our country. As the children dress up, sing, dance and enact, they learn about the Indian values.

Drawing and colouring plays a vital role in expressing creativity and stimulating imagination. An Inter-Class Art Activity was held on 13th November 2013. All the presentations were creative and colourful. The most aesthetic and neat work was appreciated and rewarded.

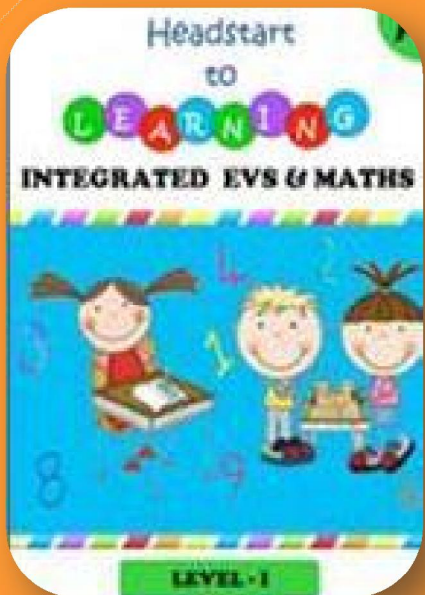
'Strokes'- A National Level Colouring Competition was organized by 'Rangotsav Sanstha', Mumbai, Maharashtra, where our children were awarded 'Art Merit' and 'Special Gift' hampers. Trophies and Merit certificates were also awarded.

Congratulations to the Prize Winners of 'Rangotsav Sanstha'

ART MERIT	ASBAH AYUB	KG-B (AFT)
ART MERIT	VARNIT KHURANA	KG-C (AFT)
SPECIAL PRIZE	NIYATI SINGH	KG-C (AFT)
SPECIAL PRIZE	PRIYANSH RATHI	KG-A (AFT)

BROADENING HORIZONS

More than teachers



Seminars, workshops and training programmes help teachers stay up-to-date with new trends and innovative classroom techniques. Exchanging techniques with teachers from schools in India and abroad helps in broadening our horizons. The Montessori Department of all schools under the aegis of Salwan Education Trust comes together twice a year to share best teaching practices and exchange ideas. This year too Montessori Workshops were organized in the month of May and October 2013.

At Salwan, education really isn't about teaching facts; it's about encouraging creativity and new ideas. The Montessori Schools under the Salwan Education Trust have authored books, 'Headstart to Learning' Volume I & II for 3-5 years age group. The new books have worksheets designed to engage children in age appropriate developmental tasks with the objective of keeping the transition from one class to the other seamless.

NAVATIKA- Journal on Early Childhood Care and Education

The Montessori Schools take great pride in bringing out the prestigious journal 'NAVATIKA' to share the latest updates in the field of early childhood. Navtika is a Journal of Early Childhood Care and Education. A quarterly periodical, it features articles designed to impart information by the practitioners of early childhood, thereby forming a valuable platform for to share ideas. It is intended for parents, teachers, educational administrators, research workers and teacher trainers.

Salwan Girls Senior Secondary School was established under the aegis of Salwan Education Trust by the visionary Late Pt. Girdhari Lal Salwan. Although ours is a government-aided institution, we at Salwan Girls School, leave no stone unturned to provide the same standard of education and facilities as any public school in Delhi. The school constantly strives to provide quality education and offers an enriching environment for the holistic development of young learners.

Our great founder-father conceptualized the theory of partnership in education. By sharing facilities and resources, Salwan Schools in Rajendra Nagar, New Delhi, have set a perfect example of a progressive Public-Private Partnership between Public Schools and the schools for underprivileged.



Inauguration of Mural

Transforming the dream of our former Chairman Maj. Gen. J. K. Kapoor into reality, a beautiful mural at the entrance wall of Salwan Girls School was inaugurated by our present Chairperson, Ms. Janak Juneja (Retd. I.A.S.) on 3rd May 2013. The mural created by Mr. A. K. Biswas, Art Teacher of Salwan Public School showcases multifarious activities such as Sports, IT, Dance & Music along with a mosaic of Lord Buddha in order to inspire young learners to be groomed into enlightened individuals for achieving the ultimate goal of education.



Workshop on Self- Defence

Emphasizing the importance of self-defence for maintaining one's safety and security, a workshop was organized by "Chetna", an NGO on 25th April 2013. The students were apprised about different ways of defending themselves if caught in any unwanted situation. Various safety measures and self-defence techniques were demonstrated. This was followed by a training session in Yoga and Pranayam for keeping healthy. The students learnt valuable lessons to stay fit, active, safe and secure.

Visit to Aeroplanet

A visit to Aeroplanet, Dwarka was organized for the students of Classes VI to VIII on 30th April 2013. They were informed about the structure, parts and equipments of an aeroplane. They were also informed about various safety measures to be adopted in case of an emergency while in a flight. The students enjoyed various adventurous activities. They were made aware of various aspects of the aviation industry.

'Go Active' Workshop

Children constantly need physical, emotional and social engagement to succeed in today's competitive world. Keeping this in mind, a workshop for Classes VI-VIII was conducted in association with Cartoon Network under a special programme "Go Active Move It Movement 2013" on 26th July 2013. The aim of the interactive session was to engage the children in various fun-filled and exhilarating games to spread awareness about physical fitness. The students were encouraged to follow a balanced diet plan. The importance of exercising was emphasized. Essential tips on stress management were also shared.

Global Education Leader Programme (G.E.L.P)

Delegates of GELP visited the school on 23rd October 2013 to share cutting-edge practices and ideas in the field of education. Yukti Gupta and Swati Rana of Class XII informed them about the mission & vision of the school. The delegates enjoyed scrumptious lunch prepared by the students of Home Science from Classes XI and XII. Showcasing a glimpse of India's rich culture and heritage, a soul-stirring musical performance 'Sitar Vadan' was presented by the students.



Visit to Akshardham Temple

A visit to Akshardham Temple was organized for the students of Classes VI to XII on 13th December 2013. The students witnessed the essence of India's ancient architecture, traditions, culture and timeless spiritual messages. The students learnt the lessons of non-violence, morality and brotherhood through depictions and presentations from the life of Bhagwan Swaminarayan.

Handmade Paper Bag Making Competition

Students were encouraged to use paper bags and shun the use of plastic bags that have hazardous effects on our environment. Paper Bag Making Competition was organized for the students of Classes VI to VIII on the theme, 'Say No to Plastic Bags'.

Human Rights Day

Human Rights Day was celebrated on 10th December 2013. Students were made aware of their basic human rights. Students were also apprised about '**Right to Education Act**'. The Principal explained the significance of Right to Information Act.



National Cadet Corps

Eighty Seven students are participating in NCC this year. NCC develops in youth the quality of character, courage, comradeship, discipline, secular outlook and spirit of adventure. NCC activities undertaken by our Students at the camp held in December 2013 are as follows:-

Day-1. 23 rd December, 2013 -Lecture on "Weapon" -Painting Competition	Day-2. 24 th December 2013. -Map Reading -Group song	Day-3. 25 th December 2013 -First Aid -Race (100 mtr.) -Group Dance	Day-4. 26th December 2013. -Police Training -Essay writing -Tug of war	Day-5. 27 th December 2013. -Fire brigade -Rock climbing -River crossing
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'Kisaan Diwas'

'Kisaan Diwas' was celebrated on 23rd December 2013 to commemorate the birth anniversary of the fifth Prime Minister of India; Chaudhary Charan Singh. Students staged a skit based on the role & importance of farmers in our life. A heart-rending group-song was performed on the challenges faced by Indian farmers. The lyrics of the song were written by Nidhi of Class XI.



'Nine is Mine' Programme

'Nine is Mine' is an organization that aims at creating awareness among Indian Children regarding their Rights to Education and Good Health. An educational exchange programme was organized in collaboration with 'Nine is Mine'. Students of Classes VIII, IX and XI interacted with students and teachers of Seymour School, Australia. Students shared information about their school and culture.



Achievements in Zonal Competitions

ZONAL VOLLEYBALL COMPETITION

- Senior- 2nd Position
- Junior - 2nd Position
- Sub Junior - 3rd position

ZONAL ENGLISH DECLAMATION COMPETITION

- Jr. Level- Second Position; Ashi Rana, Class-VIII-B
- Sr. Level- Third Position; Subriya Khatoon, Class-XI-B

ZONAL HINDI DEBATE COMPETITION

- Jr. Level- Third Position

ZONAL PATRIOTIC SONG COMPETITION - First Position (Senior Level)

Arpinder of Class X was awarded 1st prize in Distt. Level Solo Song Competition and 3rd prize in Inter Distt. Solo Song Competition. In recognition of this achievement, the Salwan Education Trust has awarded a cash prize of Rs. 2500/- to her.