



**SUSHILA BIRLA GIRLS' SCHOOL**  
**ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2021-22**

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### **BOARD RESULTS**

The results of AISSCE 2021 (Class XII) were declared by the Board on 30<sup>th</sup> July. The overall mean was 91.33%. The highest from the Science Stream was attained by Novonila Sinha Ray which was 99%, from the Humanities stream Taniya Burman also attained 99% and Sadhana Burman attained 98.8% from the Commerce stream. (A detailed report has already been submitted).

Results of AISSE-21 (Class X) was declared on 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2021. All 106 students passed in 1<sup>st</sup> Division. Number of students securing 100% in a subject:

- English - 3
- Hindi - 3,
- Standard Mathematics - 18
- Science - 5
- Social Science - 7.

Kavya Chharia achieved 99.8% which was the highest overall percentage. Aanchal Saraf secured 99.20% and Ishani Das 98.8%. The overall mean percentage was 89.46%.

### Academic Matters

Results of Term – 1 Board Examinations of Class X and Class XII were sent to school on 11<sup>th</sup> March and 19<sup>th</sup> March 2022 respectively. It was not uploaded on the CBSE website. Marks of Internal Assessments were also not added to these marks. A brief analysis of the results has been given below:

Term – 1 (Class X) -- 2021-22

Subject	Subject Code	No. of Students appeared	Highest (Max. Marks 40)	No. of Students getting Full Marks	Mean %
English	184	113	40	47	93.75
Hindi A	002	97	39	NA	83.53
Bengali	005	8	34	NA	80.62
French	018	5	40	1	89.5
German	020	2	40	1	96.25
Mathematics (Stand)	041	97	40	12	81.7
Mathematics (Basic)	241	15	40	2	73.5
Science	086	111	40	13	80.72
Social Science	087	112	40	8	86.125
Painting (Theory)	049	2	10 (out of 15)	NA	57
Home Sc. (Theory)	064	2	28 (out of 35)	NA	75.71
IT (Theory)	402	1	15(out of 25)	NA	60

## Class XII Term I analysis

Subject	Subject Code	Max. Marks	Highest Marks	Total No. of students present	Mean (%)
English	301	40	40/40	185	80
Mathematics	041	40	40/40	131	62.3
Physics	042	35	35/35	51	60.61
Chemistry	043	35	35/35	51	70.8
Biology	044	35	35/35	27	75.85
Computer Science	083	35	35/35	14	94.3
Psychology	037	35	35/35	27	91.4
Physical Education	048	35	35/35	35	87.7
FMM	805	30	30/30	14	82.3
Economics	030	40	40/40	106	80.15
Accountancy	055	40	40/40	95	75.22
Business Studies	054	40	40/40	95	91.5
Informatics Practices	065	35	35/35	95	91.5
Entrepreneurship	066	35	35/35	33	81.6
History	027	40	40/40	22	88.5
Political Science	028	40	40/40	25	91.4
Geography	029	35	35/35	15	78.6
Sociology	039	40	40/40	6	94.6
Home Science	064	35	35/35	11	71.7
Fashion Studies	807	35	35/35	12	89.3
Hindi	302	40	38/40	18	70.83
Bengali	105	40	38/40	5	85
French	118	40	40/40	4	95
German	120	40	38/40	1	95

Answer scripts of the online Annual Examinations of the students in Classes IV-V were discussed and returned on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> March and on 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> March to the students of Classes VI and VII, virtually.

### REOPENING OF SCHOOL

Offline classes for students of IX and XI began from 16<sup>th</sup> November and classes are being held till 11.00am. Hybrid classes are going on. 50% of the total strength of each section is coming to school. Hybrid teaching was incorporated so that both online and offline classes could be held simultaneously. Cameras have been set up for Classes IX and XI which enable live streaming of the classes. For the teachers to take online classes from school for VI-VIII, laptops have been given. The school timing is from 8:30 am – 1:35 pm. The daily attendance of students is reasonably high and Covid protocol is being followed strictly. Orientation sessions were conducted virtually for all students, teachers and parents before the reopening date.

As per the State Government's directive physical classes will resume for Classes Nursery to VII as per the schedule given below:-

Classes I to III - 28th February 2022 onwards.

Classes Nursery and Kindergarten – 2nd March 2022 onwards

Classes IV and V - 4th March 2022 onwards

Classes VI and VII - 16th March 2022 onwards

Based on a government directive, in-person classes resumed for Classes VIII to XII from 3rd February 2022. 50% of the students are physically present in school while the rest attend online classes. So the hybrid mode of teaching is being employed for these classes while online classes continue for all other classes up to Class VII. Teachers teaching Classes VI-XII rejoined physical school from 2nd February.

### **AISSE AND AISSCE (TERM 1)**

The Term 1 of AISSE-22 and AISSCE-22 has started with the minor and skill subjects from 16th November 2021 in the offline mode. Separate arrangements were made for the students appearing for classes and those for their Board examinations as separate buildings, timings and teachers were earmarked for them. Orientation Sessions were organised for the students of the Board batches regarding rules and regulations to be followed. Teachers invigilating during the Board Examinations are evaluating the OMR sheets after the writing time is over. The number of correct answers of each student is being uploaded and the OMR sheets are being parcelled off to the Board on the same day itself. Practical examinations for Classes X and XII took place from 18<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

### **ASSESSMENTS**

AISSE 2021 was cancelled by the CBSE. 106 candidates were supposed to appear for this examination. Final submission of Internal Assessment marks of the students of Class X (2020-21) in the CBSE portal was done on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2021. The hard copy of the marks will be sent later to the Regional Office of the Board.

AISSCE 2021 has been deferred to June 1<sup>st</sup> after which a decision were taken.

The AISSCE Practical Examinations began in school from 22<sup>nd</sup> March and went on till 13<sup>th</sup> April. However, a number of students missed these as either they or their family members tested Covid positive and as a result they were quarantined. Their Practical Examinations were held later and marks were posted on the Manual Award Lists and sent to the Board.

Retests were conducted for the 13 underachievers of Class IX and 5 students from Class XI in different subjects on different dates. They have all attained the pass percentage and been promoted to the next class. Shreya Agarwal of Class IXB, an underachiever, diagnosed with Learning Difficulties has dropped Science and instead taken Painting in Class X.

On 17<sup>th</sup> June a meeting was held for the students and parents of Classes XI and XII regarding certain rules and regulations pertaining to examinations and attendance. The importance of honesty and integrity were also stressed on.

Periodic Test -1 (Classes VI - X) and Unit Test I (XI- XII) ended on different dates for different classes. All answer scripts were shown to the students by 20<sup>th</sup> July 2021.

The Half- Yearly Examinations ended for Classes VI - VIII on 3<sup>rd</sup> September and their classes resumed from 6<sup>th</sup> September.

Term Examinations (1) commenced from 24<sup>th</sup> September 2021 for the students of Classes IX and XI. Pre-Board Examinations (1) for students of X and XII also commenced from 24<sup>th</sup> September and 21<sup>st</sup> September and was the last working day for them.

### **LEARNING GAPS**

Learning gaps are being identified and the data is being recorded in a form by teachers for students of the entire school. Remedial measures are also being taken immediately to mitigate the gap and the data is being shared with the Coordinators.

## **CLASS VI: SKILL MODULES - CODING**

- Performing operations on variables of – Arithmetical and Assignment operators; Increment and Decrement operators using variables and values
- Control with Conditionals – Concepts of Relational and Logical operators using variables and values

## **Class VII: ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE**

- AI Domain – RELATE – Computer vision and applications of Visual Data domain in Real life situations
- AI Domain – RELATE – AI and Human Language or Natural Language Processing

## **Class VIII: DESIGN THINKING**

- Visualization Tools - Design Thinking
- Visualization Tool – Empathy map
- Visualization Tool – Persona

## **VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE**

Virtual Open House for the 1st Term was organized on 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> July and 2nd August 2021 for the students of Classes VI – XII. Taking into consideration the suggestion from parents, this time virtual meetings have been organised with the subject teachers as well.

## **VIRTUAL MEETING WITH PARENTS**

Sumana Sanyal (Coordinator), Kanyakumari Majumder (Class Teacher), Saswati Roy (Special Educator) and the undersigned met the parents of Priyanka Kejriwal of IXB on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2021 to discuss the curriculum to be followed by her in Class IX. She has Down Syndrome and her parents would like to take a Transfer Certificate before the summer vacation.

Sumana Sanyal (Coordinator) and the undersigned met the parents of Shreya Agarwal (diagnosed with learning difficulties) of Class IXB on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2021 as she could not clear the Science Retest. She was advised either to repeat Class IX with Science or to take Painting instead, in order to be promoted to Class X. They have opted for Painting instead of Science in Class X.

## **VIRTUAL CAREER COUNSELLING**

From 1<sup>st</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> September, Career DNA conducted Psychometric tests for students of Class XI as a part of career counselling. This programme was paid by the Management for a total of 183 students of Class XI.

The Career Counselling session for the students of Class X conducted by Career DNA was completed this month. 41 students opted for the session. Assessment took place in two phases in the last week of August 2021. Individual Career Reports were prepared and mailed to the students by the organization.

## **AFFILIATION**

Extension of Affiliation to the school has been granted from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026.

## **ACCREDITATION**

The application for accreditation has been filed on the Quality Control of India's portal on 24<sup>th</sup> August 2021. The application along with all the supporting documents were submitted and an application fee of Rs 41,300/- was paid.

## **CBSE WEBINARS /WORKSHOPS FOR TEACHERS**

Gargi Nag (English), Sayantani Samanta (Chemistry) and Rintee Sarkar (Mathematics) have attended the Master Training Programme organized by the CBSE in collaboration with the British Council and Cambridge Partnerships for Education, a UK based agency.

Debjani Chatterjee (Primary) and Poonam Dhawan (Primary) received certificates from CBSE for successfully completing the assessment on "Technology for Blended Learning".

Sumita Sarkar (Mathematics), Seema Mayecha (English), Sangeeta Sangvi (Hindi), Amrita Swaroop (Science), Sofia Bhattacharya (Social Science), Sona Ray (Mathematics), Bula Roy (Mathematics), Sumana Sanyal (Coordinator) and the undersigned attended a webinar on "Elucidating the Assessment Criteria – Class X" organized by the CBSE in collaboration with the National Progressive School Conference on 6th May 2021.

The tabulation work for AISSE-21 has started from 2nd May 2021. A committee was formed by 4th May 2021 as per the CBSE guidelines. Five subject experts in the committee from school are Seema Mayecha (English), Sangeeta Sangvi (Hindi), Sumita Sarkar (Mathematics), Amrita Swaroop (Science) and Sofia Bhattacharya (Social Science). The two external teacher members are Anu Khosla (Indus Valley World School) and Shifa Alam (Shri Shikshayatan). The Committee is chaired by the undersigned. Sikha Chatterjee (Computer) is helping with the IT work needed for the tabulation work. Final submission was to be done by 30th June 2021.

Bula Roy (Mathematics) and Sona Ray (Mathematics) have been sent as external members to Mahadevi Birla World Academy and BBIT Public School respectively, as external members of the Tabulation Committee for AISSE 21.

Sumana Sanyal (Coordinator), members of the Tabulation Committee (SBGS) and the undersigned attended a session addressed by Dr. Sanyam Bhardwaj, Controller of Examinations, CBSE organized by CEIR on 15th May 2021. The interactive session clarified the doubts on CBSE Grade X Result Tabulation. Dr. Bhardwaj informed all the viewers that fresh guidelines would be given for computing the marks of Mathematics and languages other than English, shortly.

On 22<sup>nd</sup> June an hour-long meeting was held regarding the tabulation of marks for AISSCE-2021. The meeting was convened by the undersigned as the Chairman of the Tabulation Committee and was attended by the internal members Shikha Chatterjee, Shraddha Jain and technical member Chandrima Ghosh. The external members Monami Chattopadhyay from Bhartiya Vidya Bhawan and Krishnokoli Dasgupta from Shri Shikshayatan School too were a part of this meeting. The policy document was discussed in detail along with the internal timeline for the tabulation of marks.

The names of Sayantani Mitra (English), Bibhabari Chatterjee (Mathematics) and Rupali Chakraborty (Chemistry) were sent to Indus Valley World School, Mahadevi Birla World Academy and BBIT Public School (Budge Budge Institute of Technology) respectively as external members for the computation of marks for AISSCE 2021.

Final submission of marks on the CBSE portal for the results of AISSE-2021 for 106 candidates was done on 23rd June 2021. The hard copy was sent to the Board on 29<sup>th</sup> June.

On 6th July, Soma Chatterjee (Coordinator) attended a CBSE webinar on Artificial Intelligence. Subsequently the HODs along with one other teacher of their departments were asked to undergo subject specific training sessions. Nabanita Sen (HOD-English) and Sayantani Mitra (English) attended a CBSE workshop on integration of Artificial Intelligence Tools in the teaching of English Language and Literature from 12th - 14th July 2021. Ranjana Das (HOD-Social Science) and Srijita Chowdhury (Geography) attended a CBSE workshop on integration of AI tools in the teaching of Social Science studies from 15th - 17th July 2021.

On 8th July, Soma Chatterjee (Coordinator) attended the Educators' Conclave on Promoting Skilling in Schools. It was organized by CBSE in association with Goethe Institute/ Max Mueller Bhavan.

A webinar attended by Sona Ray (Mathematics) titled "Joyful Learning Mathematics" was organised by CBSE. The speaker was Mr Avni Kamal, Principal of Lucknow CBSE School.

Sangeeta Sanghvi conducted webinars for CBSE Bhopal Zone on Hindi Bhasha me Lekhan tatha Sahitya Srijan on 16th July 2021 and Teaching Strategies in Hindi for the Secondary level on 19th July 2021.

To celebrate the 75th year of India's independence, the CBSE Expression Series for the session 2021-22 is based on the theme India@75. An essay written by Radhika Jain of Class V was submitted in the Primary category. SakhiSanghvi (Class XII H) submitted an article on 'Indian Democracy: A Role Model of Unity in Diversity for the World' and Twisha Agarwal (Class VIII A) submitted a poem on 'How Would I Contribute to the Development of My Country'.

From 26th to 28th July, Sweta Sarkar (Physics) and Dalia Tewary (Biology) attended a three days' workshop on "AI integration in Multidisciplinary Pedagogies in Science" conducted by CBSE. The resource persons of the workshop were Soumya Iyer, Sapna Bist and Phalguni Tewari.

On 30th July, Rupali Chakraborty (Chemistry) attended a CBSE-Webinar on "Working with Learning Disabilities" organised by CoE(Noida). The resource person was Chitra Gupta.

Sangeeta Sanghvi (HOD-Hindi) and Mamata Goswami (Hindi) attended an AI training session conducted by CBSE from 29th - 31st July 2021.

On 3rd August, Soumee Ghosh (Biology) attended a CBSE webinar on "Developing Scientific Temperament" organised by Centre of Excellence (COE- Training Headquarters-Delhi East.) The speaker of the session was Dr Vaishali Mishra, IITL Public School, Delhi.

Aparna Chandra (Primary) attended a webinar on 'Joyful Mathematics' organized by COE, Delhi West on Monday, 9th August. The moderator was Neeraj Saxena.

Soumitra Kapur (Coordinator) attended a webinar entitled 'FLN Mission' on Monday, 9th August. It was about Foundational skills in Literacy and Numeracy. The moderator was Dr. Annie Koshi, Principal, St. Mary's School, New Delhi. A panel of eminent speakers addressed the session.

Sukalpa Guha Majumder (Bengali) attended a virtual meeting as a member of the Bengali Course Committee from 9th - 11th August 2021. It was organized by CBSE. The meeting was regarding the preparation of a sample question paper with the marking scheme for Term-1 Examination in Bengali for the students of IX-XII.

On 11th August, Niti Pasari (IT Coordinator) attended a webinar organised by the CBSE-NEP team on 'Digital Transformation using New Technologies'. The speakers of the webinar were Vipin Kumar and Sweta Khurana from Intel, Saurabh Thukral, Senior specialist from Niti Ayog, Sandeep Alur from Microsoft, Joyeeta Das from IBM and Bani Dhawan. The webinar was moderated by Mr. Biswajit Saha.

Dorothy Nair attended Environmental Education in Practice on 7th October. It was conducted by Monica Chawla and organized by CBSE. She also attended 'Setting Learning Outcomes in Teaching - Learning' on 29th October which was conducted by Shalini Sharma and was organized by CBSE - COE Prayagraj.

On 7th October, Laxmi S and Amrita Sengupta attended a webinar on Competency based questions (Social Science) where the panellists were Ramandeep Kaur, Vinita Rikhi and Priyanka Vasudevan. This was organised by CBSE.

Sukalpa Guha Majumder attended a virtual meeting as a core committee member to prepare the sample question paper in Bengali with marking scheme for Term-II examinations of Classes X and XII for the academic session 2021-22 from 22nd - 23rd November 2021 organized by CBSE.

SeemaMayecha (English)attended a CBSE workshop on Gamification (Chandigarh) on 24th May where the facilitator was YachinaVillaitrani.

Sayantani Mitra (English) attended a CBSE training session on Practicing Blended Learning organised by the Centre of Excellence: Bhopal, on 25th May where the facilitator was G K Udgata.

Sreya Ray (English) attended a CBSE workshop on Inclusive Practices in Classroom on 24<sup>th</sup> May organised by the COE Dehradun. The resource person was Shalini Swarup.

Gargi Nag (English) attended a CBSE workshop on Role of Theatre and Drama in Classroom organised by the COE Panchkula on 27<sup>th</sup> May where the facilitator was Neha Kashyap.

On 28<sup>th</sup> May, Menoka Gurung (Commerce) attended a CBSE online Session on Content and Time management. The session was conducted by Suman Tomar. On 10<sup>th</sup> June, she also attended a CBSE online session on the salient features of NEP 2020, where the resource person was Madan Swahney.

On 10<sup>th</sup> June, Sayantani Samanta (Chemistry) attended a workshop on 'Gamification in learning' by COE Bengaluru. The resource person was Mr. Sumalini B. Swamy.

Ruma Chakraborty (English) and Sudeshna Sain (Mathematics) attended a CBSE Training Workshop on Understanding Multiple Intelligence in the Classroom on 10<sup>th</sup> June. The session was conducted by Dr. Sankar Prasad Dutta, Principal, Krishnanagar Public School

On 8<sup>th</sup> June, Bula Roy (Mathematics) attended the webinar 'Focussing on Competency Based Education' hosted by CBSE. Dr Uma Sivaraman, Principal and retired Deputy Commissioner of Schools introduced the speaker Mr Vikas Bhalla of OM Central school.

On 9<sup>th</sup> June, Shramana Roychoudhury (Mathematics) and Sumaiya Yaqoob (Mathematics) attended a CBSE training on Teaching Strategies in Mathematics. The resource person was Ms Kakali Bagchi.

On 17<sup>th</sup> June, Bibhabari Chatterjee (Mathematics) and Sumita Sarkar (Mathematics) attended a CBSE training on Focusing on Competency Based Education. The resource person was Mr Anil Kumar Patnaik.

On 19<sup>th</sup> June, Amrita Swaroop (Chemistry), Sriparna Dhar (Chemistry) and Rintee Sarkar (Mathematics) attended a CBSE training on "Experiential Learning in Practice" by Ms Vasanthi Thiagarajan.

Mamata Goswami (Hindi), Sachina Gupta (Hindi) and Sukalpa Guha Majumdar (Bengali) attended a workshop on "Happy Teacher creates Happy Classrooms" conducted by CBSE on 9<sup>th</sup> June 2021. The facilitator was Ms Laxmibati Das.

Mamata Goswami (Hindi) attended Digital Learning and Management' organized by CBSE on 16<sup>th</sup> June 2021 focussing on the importance of scope of Digital Education. The facilitator was Mr. Rajesh Kumar Chandel.

Sachina Gupta (Hindi) attended a webinar on Child Psychology organized by CBSE on 11<sup>th</sup> June 2021. The facilitator was Ms. Smaranika Panda.

Sangeeta Sanghvi (Hindi) attended the webinar on 'Role of Theatre and Drama in Classroom' organized by CBSE on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2021. The facilitator was Ms. Ritika Anand.

Soma Chatterjee (Coordinator), Shraddha Jain (Coordinator) and Sumana Sanyal (Coordinator) attended "Awareness Webinar for Principals and teachers of CBSE affiliated schools about the various initiatives of CBSE and AICTE" on 14<sup>th</sup> June 2021. The webinar was moderated by Dr. Elangovan, Assistant Director, Innovation Cell. Dr. Biswajit Saha, Director, Skill Education and Training gave the welcome address. Dr. Abhay Jera, Chief Innovation Officer, Innovation Cell, Ministry of Education addressed the viewers.

On 11<sup>th</sup> June Amrita Swaroop (Chemistry), Soumee Ghosh (Biology), Rupali Chakraborty (Chemistry), Shradha Seth (Computer) attended a CBSE training Programme on the topic 'Digital Learning and Management' where the facilitator was Dipika Sharma.

On 17<sup>th</sup> June a training session was organized by CoE Bhbaneshwar on “Focusing on Competency Based Education”. This was addressed by Dr. Anil Kumar Patnaik. The session was attended by Shriparna Dhar (Chemistry), Moynee Mukherjee (Biology), Dalia Tewary (Biology) and Shikha Chatterjee (Computer).

Soma Chatterjee, Shraddha Jain and Sumana Sanyal (all Coordinators) attended a webinar on “Design Thinking in Education” organized by ICSL with the support of S.Chand Group and Learnfix on 2nd July 2021. The speakers were Dr. Susie Wise, founder KIZ labs, Faculty D. School, Stanford University, California (USA). Mr. David Clifford, founder, Design School X (DSX) and Mr. G. Subramanian, former Director (Academics) CBSE and Chairman Advisory Board ICSL. The moderator of the webinar was Dr. Atul Nischal, founder ICSL.

### **MERIT SCHOLARSHIP**

Merit Scholarship for 2021-22 was awarded to Niharka Agarwal (XB) and Sakshi Modi (XIIC1) for their outstanding performance in 2020-21. Kavya Chharia (XIS) being the highest scorer in AISSE-21 has also received this scholarship for the academic year 2021-22.

### **DIGITAL LIBRARY**

As per the CBSE Circular Number 44, National Book Reading Week was observed from 19<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> June through a plethora of activities, the most significant among them being the launch of a digital library on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2021. The library is not only a repository of e books and audio files but also a platform for exciting literary exercises throughout the year. After its launch, students (KG - XII) congregated in their respective virtual Library Classrooms to celebrate the National Reading Week.

### **SAHODAYA MEETING**

A general Sahodaya meeting was held on 12<sup>th</sup> May to discuss the tabulation of marks for AISSE 2021.

### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

The Executive Committee Meeting took place on 13<sup>th</sup> July, 9<sup>th</sup> November.

### **ACCREDITATION**

Ruchira Mukherjee, NABET Consultant, has forwarded her write-ups on Domains 1 and 2 for the Accreditation Manual. These are being reviewed.

### **OLYMPIAD**

Under School connect Online Olympiad, 21 students have registered for the International Spiritual Intelligence Olympiad from Classes III-V. The examination was on 26<sup>th</sup> September, 2021.

Total number of students from Classes VI to XII who have registered under SOF Olympiad :

IGKO (International General Knowledge Olympiad) - 7

IEO (International English Olympiad) - 28

IMO (International Mathematics Olympiad) - 30

NSO (National Science Olympiad) - 24

NCO (National Cyber Olympiad) - 7

ISSO (International social studies Olympiad) - 3

ICO (International Commerce Olympiad) - 2

The IEO (International English Olympiad) examination was held on 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> October 2021. Other Subjects (Science, Mathematics, Computer and Social Science) are scheduled to be held in the month of December 2021 and January 2022.

### **INCLUSION OF CODING/AI/DESIGN THINKING**

Teachers of the IT department have started implementing Skill Modules in Term -2 for the Middle School Level (Classes VI- VIII) according to the CBSE curriculum of Skill Education 2021-22.



## **ACCREDITATION**

The school is now preparing to submit the application for accreditation to NABET having completed the pre-application work. Ruchira Mukherjee, consultant from BAG, will shortly verify all the relevant documents before the submission of the application.

## **ADMISSION-CLASS XI**

A total of 13 students have been admitted to Class XI (2021-22) this month taking the total number to 167. The process to fill the vacancies is on.

## **ADMISSION - PRIMARY**

There are 12 vacancies as on April 2021 (Nursery-10, Class K.G.- 1, Class I-1) and the process is on to fill the vacancies. Considering the vacancies in Nursery it was decided to open a second phase of admission. Forms will be made available in Admission Tree from 26<sup>th</sup> April till 8<sup>th</sup> May 2021.

A total of 10 students have been admitted to the Primary( KG-5, Class I-1, Class II-2, Class V- 2)

## **ADMISSION-CLASSES VI,VIII,IX**

A total of 3 students have taken admission in Class VI, 1 student in Class VIII and 2 in Class IX

## **VIRTUAL ANNUAL PRIZE DAY**

Two videos of the virtual Annual Prize Day Programme of the entire school were uploaded on the school's Facebook page on 18<sup>th</sup> June.

1 Topper Group II - The Impact Extempore

3.Levika Modi Class III School Topper Group I - Innovators Suit

All students received participation certificates. Those who excelled received gift vouchers. Medals along with certificates will be delivered to school by end July 2021.

In the last academic session 15 Students had got free entry as value Ambassadors to attend the International Olympiad of Value system, Health & Wellness by Zenik Learning. The 2 global toppers Srinika Roy (Class VI) and Megha Rege (Class XI) along with the others shared their learning with all students from Classes IV to XI. 4 sessions were held in the primary section for Classes IV and V, 4 sessions for Classes VI to VIII, 3 for Classes IX & X and 2 slots for Class XI. There were 14 speakers in all.

## **VIRTUAL ORIENTATION SESSIONS**

Orientation Sessions for the students of Classes VI-XII and their parents were conducted to familiarise them with the requirements of the new class. The programme was conducted by the Coordinators and the undersigned. The parents asked questions at the end of the session which were answered and a link of the feedback form was shared with the parents at the end of the session. Parents of Class XII were met on 21<sup>st</sup> April, parents of Classes VI,VII,IX and X on 24<sup>th</sup> April and those of Class VIII on 30<sup>th</sup> April.

An Orientation Programme for the students of Class XI and their parents was organised on 6<sup>th</sup> May. They were addressed by Shraddha Jain (Coordinator), all the class teachers and the undersigned. Feedback forms were given to parents to share their experience with the school.

The highlights of the feedback from parents who attended Orientation Programmes for Classes VI-XII are as follows:

- Many have lauded the efforts and concern of the teachers and the school authorities.
- One significant suggestion was that the students be given more practice in reading and written work rather than online projects in order to reduce their screen time.
- More gap should be given between two sets of assessments.

## **STAFF MATTERS**

From the new academic session 5 teachers have joined our school.

- Mousumi Gomes in the Primary Section.
- Sreya Roy to teach English in the middle and senior sections.

- Jayanti Upadhyay for Hindi in the middle and senior sections.
- Suman Ayaz for Geography in the middle and senior sections.
- Arpita Mukherjee for Commerce in the senior section.

On 6<sup>th</sup> April 2021 there was an Orientation Programme for the teachers who joined the institution in 2020-21 and 2021-22. This was conducted by the Coordinators, departmental heads and the undersigned.

In the last month a total of 15 teachers have tested positive for Covid 19.

All the departmental heads, namely Sangeeta Sanghvi (Hindi), Laxmi. S (Commerce), Nabanita Sen (English), Sumita Sarkar (Mathematics), Ranjana Das (Social Science) and Sweta Sarkar (Science) made presentations explaining the results of the analysis of the Annual Examinations (2020-21), the target mean for the new session (2021-22) and strategies to achieve these for Classes VI-XII. For the Primary Section, a written report has been submitted.

Amrita Sengupta will join as the new Economics teacher from 1<sup>st</sup> July as Paramita Chakraborty has resigned and her last working day is 30<sup>th</sup> June.

Poonam Dhawan (Primary) received Level 1 certificate for completing the requirements to become a Kami Certified Educator.

Bibhabari Chatterjee (Mathematics), class teacher of XA took an innovative step to guide the students to be ethical while writing a paper by involving the parents. The parents were informed that it would help the teacher to find the learning gap in the students if the assessment was done without taking recourse to any unfair means. Mrs. Chatterjee took one revision test on Arithmetic Progression supervised by the parents on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2021 and two grandparents also extended their help.

Teachers' Day was celebrated on 4<sup>th</sup> September 2021 in J.D.Birla Institute for all the faculty members. This year the categories of awards were Best Integration of Technology in Education (Nabanita Sen, Sikha Chatterjee, Menoka Gurung, Prashansa Gurung, Mohana Sen and Garima Rajora), Extraordinary Effort during Online Teaching (Moynee Mukherjee, Shibangee Paul, Sumita Sarkar, Sona Ray, Beatrix D' Gama and Sanchaita Bhui) and Extraordinary Contribution during Pandemic (Debjani Chatterjee, Dorothy Nair, Joyeeta Saha, Sutapa GuhaRay Datta, Ranjana Roy and Sweta Sarkar).

Ritu Pasari, Soma Chatterjee, Rubena Chatterjee and Purnima Ravindran (all Coordinators) were awarded by IIHM on the occasion of Teachers' Day.

"NEEV - The Foundation" was a programme organised by Punjabi Bradree at Punjab Bhawan on 5<sup>th</sup> of September 2021 to celebrate Teachers' Day. Teachers from various institutions were felicitated and the teachers from Sushila Birla Girls' School were Vritti Khosla, Poonam Dhawan, Richa Narula, Vandana Budhraj (all Primary teachers) and Shraddha Jain (Coordinator).

## **EXCHANGE PROGRAMME**

### **French Exchange Programme**

Visit of Academic Counsellor of French Consulate:

- Ms O.Solveig, the academic counsellor at the French Consulate in Kolkata visited the school on 26<sup>th</sup> March, 2021. She had a meeting where she was briefed about both the French partnership schools - Collage Sacre Couer and Lycee de Lamballe. She was most appreciative of the work done
- A brief PPT was presented on a collaborative project being done by the Class V students with Collage Sacre Couer which earned fulsome praise from her and she asked for a short clip of the project to be sent to her which will be put up in the Consulate's social media platform.

Activities under the French Exchange Programme:

- The Class V students successfully completed their collaborative project on the comic strip entitled "Superheroes of the Environment."
- For the project on George Orwell's Animal Farm, activities which would gauge the student's understanding of the concepts of 'utopia', 'dystopia', 'democracy' and 'dictatorship' like digital poster making, creation of a board game based on the concept of 'Snakes and Ladders' and students expressing their views in the form of articles and poems are being carried out by the Class XI students and the senior school students of Lycee de Lamballe.

## **WEBINARS FOR TEACHERS**

### **Multiple teachers attended the following webinars:**

Teachers of the English department attended a panel discussion on Literature and Life organized by Madhuban Publishing House on 23rd April 2021. The panelists were Mr. G. Balasubramaniam, former Director of Academics CBSE, Ms. Santhani Govindan, award winning author of children's literature and Ms. Meena Mishra, award winning author, poet, novelist and editor.

3030 STEM was attended by 3 teachers of the Mathematics department on 4th April where 'The World of Plants' was discussed by Prof Manish Jain. On 11<sup>th</sup> April, the topic 'Life of Microbes' was discussed by Prof. Manish Jain and on 18<sup>th</sup> April "The Story of Water" was discussed by Prof.

Ashutosh Vidisha Panja (Headmistress) along with Ravinder Kaur, Ritu Pasari and Soumitra Kapur (Primary Coordinators) attended a workshop entitled 'NEP - Sarthaq Policy into Practice in Early and Primary Years' on Wednesday and Thursday, 5th and 6th May. It was organised by ECA - APER. Ms. Reeta Sonawat, conducted it on the first day and Dr. Swati Popat Vats, conducted it on the second day.

A second batch of 15 teachers attended a training programme conducted by Super Teacher on Effective Inclusion of A.I. into the Curriculum from 31<sup>st</sup> May to 11<sup>th</sup> June.

Ranjana Roy and Sutapa Guha Roy Dutta (Counsellors) on 16<sup>th</sup> June attended a webinar on "Dealing with an uncertain future and staying mentally fit" Dr Ram addressed the concerns of students and parents.

All Primary teachers including the Coordinators, the Headmistress and the undersigned attended a workshop conducted by Dr. Swara Popat Vats on 18th June on inclusion of AI in pre-primary and primary classes.

On 24th September, Sutapa GuhaRay Datta and Ranjan Roy (Counsellors) attended a workshop on Adolescent Health and Life Skill conducted by Lakshmipat Singhania Academy in collaboration with Expression India. The main speaker Ritu Sharma, an educator from ITL International School, Delhi.

Soma Chatterjee, Shraddha Jain and Sumana Sanyal (Coordinators) attended a webinar on "Developing Resilience in School Children" by Dr. VS Ravinder on 1st September 2021. The session was organized by Institute of Counsellor Training Research and Consultancy and hosted by Rajkumar College, Raipur. Dr. Ravindran was the speaker.

### **Individual teachers attended the following webinars:**

On 7th May, 2021. Soumee Ghosh (Biology) attended a webinar on "Community Building at School" organised by ICSL (International Council for School Leadership). The speaker was Dr Neeta Bali, Director, G D Goenka World School while the moderator of the session was Atul Nischal, Director ICSL.

Mamata Goswami (Hindi) attended 'Manviya Sankat Ke Prashna aur Samakalin Hindi Katha Sahitya' organized by Hooghly Mohsin College and Bangiyo Hindi Parishad, Kolkata on 7th June . A webinar on "Aapda, Manviya Drishti aur ekjot Hum" organised by Hindi University on 19<sup>th</sup> June was also attended by her. The speakers were Ms. Soma Bandopadhyaya, Prof. Vijay Kumar Bharty and Mr. Sandeep Avsthi.

On 23<sup>rd</sup> June Ranjana Roy (Counsellor) attended a webinar organized by ISRA on “4 Strategies to build an abundance mindset” The speakers were Sneha and Shashank.

A webinar on Mandala Art: Psycho Spiritual Therapy was attended on 23<sup>rd</sup> June by Sutapa Guha Ray Dutta (Counsellor) conducted by Mr Bharat, Clinical Psychologist. She also attended a webinar on 29<sup>th</sup> June, entitled “Parenting Toolkit for Teens” conducted by Soumya Sharan, Clinical Psychologist.

Debjani Chatterjee (Primary) attended a workshop entitled “Hybrid Schooling and How to become Google Certified Educator” organised by Super Teacher , on 23<sup>rd</sup> June.

Joyeta Saha (Primary) attended a webinar on ‘Making Thinking Visible ‘ on 17<sup>th</sup> June, 2021. The session was organised by CENTA Webinar and Dr. Meenakshi Narula was the moderator. She also attended a webinar on ‘SDG: 11, Sustainable Cities and Communities ‘ on 11<sup>th</sup> June . The session was moderated by Mr. Douglas Ragan and Ms. Sumiyah Yahaya and organised by RiseUp4SDG.

On 20<sup>th</sup> June Preeti Bhatia (Primary) attended a virtual webinar “Amra Korbo Joy” organised by Bharat Scouts and Guides.

On 16<sup>th</sup> August, Niti Pasari (IT Coordinator), attended a webinar organised by Sultan Chand on Computer Science and Informatics Practices. The speaker was Preeti Arora .

Sumana Sanyal (Coordinator) attended a webinar on Competency-based Assessment to promote HOTS (Higher Order Thinking Skills) organized by CENTA on 5<sup>th</sup> August 2021. The facilitator was Sneha Lata, senior faculty member of St. Anne’s Convent School, Chandigarh.

On 2<sup>nd</sup> September, Ranjana Roy (Counsellor) attended a webinar organized by the Rotary club on ‘Navigating the Post Pandemic World’. Dr Ram was the speaker. On 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> September, she attended webinar on Facing Failure with the students from VI - XII conducted by Zenik Learning. The speaker was Sanchari Chakraborty.

On 17<sup>th</sup> September, Sutapa GuhaRay Datta (Counsellor) attended a workshop on Emotional Agility conducted by Saba Islam, an educator, a Parent Coach and Emotional Intelligence Facilitator.

Sumana Sanyal (Coordinator) attended Connect2 Learn webinar on ‘Writing Effective Multiple-Choice Questions’ organized by International Council for School Leadership in association with GAD-TLC, Ministry of Education, Government of India on 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> September 2021. The facilitators were Prof. A. K. Bakshi, Dr. Atul Nischal, Dr. Vimal Rarh and Mr. G. Balasubramanian.

On 25<sup>th</sup> September, Ishani Roy attended a Webinar on “100 Years of Photoelectric Effect” by Prof. H.C. Verma.

### **TRAINING SESSIONS FOR TEACHERS**

On 6<sup>th</sup> April, a training session on Fire Safety and Handling of Equipment for Fire Fighting was conducted by, Mr. Partho Bandopadhyay, the security in-charge with his team. This was attended by a group of teachers from all the departments.

A staff orientation on Bomb Threat was conducted by Subedar Thiruthani GaivelV on 7<sup>th</sup> April. He spoke on types of bombs, structure of an Ied, rules to be followed in case of such a threat, reporting and evacuation procedures. This was attended by a group of teachers from all the departments.

On 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> April NitiPasari (I.T. Coordinator) conducted multiple sessions with the various departments to discuss the creation of virtual classrooms for the new academic session.

A workshop on video making was conducted by Debjani Chatterjee (Primary-Computer) on 13<sup>th</sup> April, 2021. It was attended by a few teachers of the primary department

## **A.I. TRAINING SESSIONS FOR TEACHERS**

An online certificate programme on Effective Inclusion of Artificial Intelligence into the Curriculum was organised from 17th May to 28th May. The programme was offered by Wissensaire, IIT Bhubaneswar and Super Teacher Edureforms Pvt. Ltd. It was attended by 17 teachers.

These sessions discussed various A.I. tools that may be used in the classrooms which would be useful in the Primary classes and to a certain extent in the middle school classes.

## **WEBINAR / TRAINING SESSIONS FOR STUDENTS**

From 17th - 22nd May'21 a total of 376 students from Classes VI-XII participated in webinars organised by Fortis School Mental Health Programme on Summer internships, Sports Psychology, Fortis Prosocial Peer Moderator Programme, Bully to Buddy Programme and Introduction to Clinical Psychology.

On 21st May 2021, J.D. Birla Institute, Kolkata organized a webinar for students of Class XII (2020 - 2021). The meeting commenced with a short address by Dr. Deepali Singhee, Principal of the institute. She briefed the students about the contents of each degree course taught at the institute. The webinar was attended by 127 students.

A total of 27 students from Classes III-X registered for the International Innovation Summit 'Imagivation' organised by Zenik. They attended sessions on 'Innovation and Self Confidence' on 2nd May and 'Creative Learning and innovation' on 9th May.

Students studying Financial Markets Management in Class XII attended a webinar on Stock Market by Shri Harsha from Sunshine Projects on 15th May. A total of 36 students participated in this programme.

Bombay Stock Exchange Institute Ltd in association with B.D.M. International School organised a webinar on 22nd May on Current Trends in Banking and Financial Services and its Career Opportunities. A total of 18 students of Class XII attended the same. The speakers were Mr Manoj Kumar Sinha (SBI, Mutual Fund) and Mr Jeetendra Panda (Yes Security).

Code India Code (a certified Booting Code Camp for Kids) was conducted by Super Teacher Team from 29th May - 4th June 2021. A total of 433 students from Classes III-XII took part. They were told to incorporate different features in order to make games in Scratch and they were also taught logical reasoning.

53 students from Classes I to X have registered themselves for 'Mindspark'.

On 27th May, Spell Bee International introduced "Strategic Language Enhancement Programme" 2021-22. 14 students across Classes XI and XII enrolled for the programme.

Fortis conducted a Summer Internship (7th - 12th June) and a Prosocial Peer Moderator Programme (17th May - 23rd May) for school students from Classes VII-XII. 248 students attended the programme.

World Viral Information conducted sessions with University College London and Imperial College London for Classes XI and XII on two days 15th and 18th June'21. It was optional for the students to attend. 37 students attended the programme.

A 3 day Summer Workshop to Learn and Upskill from 16th till 18th June'21 was conducted by Global Universities Systems. A total of 70 students across Classes XI and XII participated in the workshop.

## **WEBINAR FOR PARENTS**

On 12th May an interactive session on Growing Up and Digital Detox was conducted by Ranjana Roy and Sutapa Guha Roy Dutta (Counsellors) for the parents of Class VI. They spoke about the overall changes during the adolescence phase, hazards of the overuse of devices and importance of digital detoxification.

during the pandemic. The importance of inculcating values was also stressed upon. Feedback forms circulated indicate a high level of appreciation for the session. Special mention has been made of the suggestions related to digital detoxification.

The teachers of the Hindi Department organised a virtual workshop on 15th May for the parents of Classes II and III. The purpose of this workshop was to enlighten the parents about the techniques of teaching Hindi in a simple and effective way at home.

### **COUNSELLING SESSIONS FOR PARENTS AND STUDENTS**

The Counsellors, have conducted counselling sessions with parents and students (Nursery-XII) over the telephone on academic and emotional issues.

A counselling session for the students of Class V was conducted by the school Counsellors, Ranjana Roy and Sutapa Guha Roy Dutta on 13th May.

“Lets Talk Over Coffee”, sharing sessions with teachers were organised for small groups on various dates throughout the month. These were conducted by the Counsellors, Ranjana Roy and Sutapa Guha Roy Dutta, Vidisha Panja (Headmistress) and the undersigned. These sessions were organised keeping in mind the mental health of all faculty members. The highlights of the feedback are as follows:

- The informal nature of the session helped teachers to open up
- The teachers appreciated the methods shared to remain positive
- Listening to the problems of others helped many to cope with theirs
- Compassion and understanding touched many
- The session acted as a stress buster

### **STUDENT MATTERS**

Navonila Sinharay of XII S1 was nominated for the Global Student Prize award by Chegg.org. based on her academic and cocurricular achievements.

A mail was sent to the school by Mr. Kejriwal to withdraw his ward Priyanka Kejriwal (IXC) as she would pursue vocational course in future. She is a student with special needs. A character certificate was mailed to Priyanka as per the request of the parent.

A total of 44 students from Classes I to X have enrolled for Mindspark. This was made optional for the students as a fee of Rs 1200 is being charged.

### **ELECTIONS - PRIMARY**

Primary Student Council Elections were conducted on 18th June through the Google Meet platform. Nominees addressed their House teachers and House members (students of Class V) before votes were cast through Google Forms. A video of the newly constituted Student Council was uploaded on 22nd June on the Facebook page of the school.

### **SOCIAL SERVICE DRIVE- HUMANITY OVER CALAMITY**

Under the present extenuating circumstances brought about by the pandemic, Sushila Birla Girls' School has extended its helping hand to the ones in need through the 'Humanity over Calamity' drive whereby students, parents, teachers, office staff and alumni members donated dry ration - rice, flour, pulses, oil etc. to 11 organisations. Students of Classes IV and V helped in generating awareness through slogan and poster making. Psychology students, volunteered as Covi Mentors and reached out to the students of RISE- Krishnanagar (beneficiary of last year's drive: Bridge the Digital Divide) in sharing, caring and hand holding during this crisis. The sessions on confidence building, study skills and coping mechanisms during the pandemic were held on 15th, 22nd and 31st May. These were followed by an interactive session.

A Helpline has also been created whereby the phone numbers of the Counsellors and Special Educators have been given. Time and dates have been mentioned for their students to call and seek help (through their teachers if needed).

The names of the 11 NGOs are as follows-

- A little Contribution
- Mother's Nest
- Bijoygarh Boys' Home
- Karuna,
- Kid's Centre
- Women and Children Development Centre
- Ek Tara
- Nabanir
- Voice of World
- Alakendu Bodh Niketan
- Let's Make Them Smile.

This drive will end after lockdown restrictions are eased. Therefore, a detailed report will be given next month.

### **VIRTUAL FIELD TRIPS**

On 6th May, the students of Class VIII visited the Adhar Trust home near Vapi in Udwada, Gujarat. They experienced, first hand, the ambience of a well run old age home. This activity was a teaching aid for their lesson 'Booddha Kutta'.

On 11th May, all the students of Class I visited the Clearwater Marine Museum in Florida, USA. They observed the sea animals in the Aquarium and discussed the difference between a turtle and a tortoise.

On 12th May, all the students of KG visited the Amul Food Factory in Anand, Gujarat.

The students of Class III along with their teachers, were taken on an African Safari to understand the world of animals.

Students of two sections of Class VI were taken on a virtual tour of fantasy world depicted in the Harry Potter movies. This activity was undertaken to expose the students to the concepts of fantasy and magic and is linked to their study of the Chronicles of Narnia, the Supplementary Reader in their curriculum. The remaining students of Class VI will be taken on a similar tour in June, 2021.

The students of Class II visited 'Jorasanko' via Google Earth as a part of the Rabindra Jayanti celebrations.

Students of Class V went on a virtual field trip to Shantiniketan on 23<sup>rd</sup> June. The virtual trip took them on a tour of the museum Kala Bhavan, Sangeet Bhavan and Vidya Bhavan. Rabindranath Tagore's ideals of education were explained during the tour.

The students taking Art as the ADM (Class VI-X) option attended a virtual museum tour of National Gallery of Modern Art on 24th July 2021.

The students of Class IX went on a virtual field trip to the Museum of Science and Technology, Florida to see different machines and games based on the principles of Physics when they had their classes between 19th - 23rd July 2021.

The Hindi teachers took the Kindergarten children on a virtual tour to Vrindavan to celebrate Janmashtami on 3rd September.

Class I students went on a field trip to Nandankanan in Odisha on 27th September as a follow-up activity of their EVS topic 'Animals'.

The students of Class IV were taken to a virtual field trip to the Miami Zoo on 13th September .

Students of Class V visited the Science Park of the Museum of Discovery and Science, Florida, U.S.A virtually on 7th and 8th of December. The subjects covered were Geography, Science, Mathematics and Information Technology.

A virtual field trip to Sikkim was organized for the Hindi students of Class X on 14th January.

Class III students studying Hindi, were taken on a virtual field trip to Wagah Border on 20th January.

### **Achievements**

Education World ranked the school 4<sup>th</sup> in the city and in the state in the Girls Day Schools category. The award was handed over to Vidisha Panja, Headmistress and the undersigned on 17<sup>th</sup> December at The Leela, Gurgaon at an award function.

16 students of Classes II, III, IV and V participated in Ullas, an inter school fest organised by South Point School on 4th December .The details are as follows:

Kwizwiz (Quiz Competition) - Second Position

Khana Khazana (Non-flame cooking) - First Position

3 students from Classes IV and V participated in 'Spellympics 2021', an inter school vocabulary and word making fest organised by BHS Mukundapur on 16th December. The team secured the second position.

Students from Classes I-X participated in RobinAge Bright Sparks Awards 2020-2021, an initiative undertaken by Robinage, a national newspaper for children to encourage and support creativity in students. The students won awards in the following categories -

Poetry: 1st Prize: New Normal by Aarunika Dass, Class I.

3rd Prize: Lockdown Learnings by Myra Basu, Class III.

Fiction Story:

2nd Prize: Spinning Ahimsa by Laksha Khanna, Class VIII.

SBCGS came first in the Outstanding Schools category.

On 12<sup>th</sup> January, Nreetika Paik of Class XI H won the First Position in the Original song category of Avsar, a fest conducted by the Akshar School.

A video prepared by 4 students of Class V has won the first position pan India in the Digital Earth Reel 2021 in the category 'Best Film on Conservation of Energy'. The video has been featured in the Facebook page of Digital Earth Reel. All the participants of the school have received certificates of participation.

Khushi Jain of Class VIIIA had participated in an inter school virtual video competition organized by Edex Live and New Indian Express Group in the month of December. She was declared the winner of the competition on 16<sup>th</sup> February. For this competition she had to make a 3 minute video where she spoke about 'India in the last 75 years'. She has been awarded with a certificate and Amazon vouchers worth Rs.1000/-

### **CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

On 15<sup>th</sup> April a video titled 'Esho Hey Baisakh' was uploaded on the school's facebook page. In the video, the students virtually welcome Naba Barsha, (Bengali New Year) replete with hopes for a better tomorrow.



On 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2021, the 51<sup>st</sup> anniversary of Earth Day, was celebrated by the students of the primary section with enthusiasm. Art and craft activities were used effectively and the little environmentalists crafted objects of use out of waste and learnt dances on songs related to Mother Nature. The students of Class V were engaged in activities closely aligned with many of the UN's Sustainable Development Goals. A video showcasing these activities has been uploaded on the school's Facebook page. A newsletter showcasing integration of technology with Earth Day celebrations (by the students of Classes I to V) has also been uploaded on the school's Facebook page.

Activity clubs for the students of Classes IV and V commenced from Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> April. These clubs are compulsory and are being held in the 6<sup>th</sup> period (Scrabble, Quiz, Cookery, Yoga, Computer, Aerobics, Singing and Chess).

Anvesha Saraf from IXC (2020-21) participated in an Interschool Debate Competition organized by Eden and New Indian Express on 29<sup>th</sup> March 2021.

Inter house Writing Competition in English, Hindi, Bengali, French and German took place on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2021 for the students of Classes VI - XII.

Edex and New Indian Express organised an inter-school virtual debate competition 'Let's Debate' on 29<sup>th</sup> March. Khushi Jain, from Class VIII A was adjudged one of the best speakers in the preliminary round.

Rabindra Jayanti in school was celebrated through inter house competitions on 19<sup>th</sup> April. An assignment on 'Robi-Verse' was posted through Google Classroom and the same was done for 'Tago-Review'. In Tago-Review, the participants were from the age group 14-15 years. They were asked to write a critical appreciation of the poem 'Hide and Seek' (English translation of 'Lukochuri' by Rabindranath Tagore). In Robi-verse, the participants were from the age group 12-13 years and they were asked to recite the English translation of the poem 'Birpurush' by Rabindranath Tagore.

On 24<sup>th</sup> April, 2021 an inter house creative writing competition was organized. It was an online event where the students were given one hour to compose their pieces. It was a parent proctored activity.

A video on International Dance Day was uploaded on Facebook on 29<sup>th</sup> April where students showcased their dancing skills and well known dancers of the city spoke of what dance means to them.

Labour Day was celebrated on 1<sup>st</sup> May during morning assembly in Classes II-V.

Students of the primary section celebrated Mother's Day on 9<sup>th</sup> May with great enthusiasm. Various activities were undertaken to make the students realise the role of their mother in their lives. Moreover, they were taught to undertake small household chores.

Students of VI-XII participated in a competition "Paryawaran Samman" organized by the Hindi newspaper Sanmarg on the occasion of World Environment Day. It included poetry writing, essay writing, drawing, PPT making and video making. Students bagged 3 prizes.

Students of Classes IX and XI participated in World Teens' Parliament which is a project organised by the Bulb World Magazine. Students looked at several issues locally and globally and came up with solutions. The event offered a platform for effective discussion on health, education, environment, sports, social media, international relations, science and technology, art and culture, tourism, social work, human rights and interfaith harmony. Several students submitted a 59 second video each in either Hindi or English on relevant world issues which will be uploaded shortly on the World Teens' Parliament forum.

The music teachers celebrated World Music Day on 21<sup>st</sup> June with the students of the primary section. Students were briefed about the significance of this day. Various activities like "Show and Tell", playing of different instruments, presentation on the benefits of music and a special assembly were conducted to celebrate this day. A video featuring students from the primary, middle and

The 22nd L.N. Birla Memorial Invitational Debate took place on 10<sup>th</sup> July. Khushi Dhanuka and Sakhi Sanghvi, both students of Class XII represented the school after qualifying in the prelims on the 9<sup>th</sup> July. Rajavi Agarwal was the panelist representing the school. The students qualified for the final round.

Nine students participated in JACOMUN organised by St. James School on the 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> of July, 2021. The delegates were from Classes X and XII. Tanisha Majumder of All India Political Parties Meet was declared the winner of the Committee on account of her position paper and debate as an opposition block against BJP.

An online Hindi/Bengali Elocution Competition was organised for the students of Classes IV and V on 18<sup>th</sup> June.

An online Inter House English Elocution Competition was organised for the students of Class III on 7<sup>th</sup> July.

An Inter House Mathematics Quiz Competition was organised for the students of Class V on 23<sup>rd</sup> July. 16 students from Class V have worked on the Earth Reel project organised by Earth Daynetwork.org with their class teachers. Participation E-Certificates of the webinar attended by them on World Environment Day were distributed.

Various activities were conducted in Classes Nursery -V, to make the students aware about the Olympic Games in Tokyo. Different projects, presentations, interactive sessions and art work sessions were conducted across all subjects.

On 29<sup>th</sup> July, Khushi Dhanuka and Sakhi Sanghvi of Class XII H participated in a debate organised by the Calcutta Debating Circle. The team secured the third position among 14 teams and Sakhi Sanghvi was adjudged the best speaker jointly with a student from Shri Shikshayatan School.

In collaboration with Goethe-Institut, Kolkata, the Kinderuni Club was launched for the students of Classes IV and V from 5<sup>th</sup> August, 2021. 44 students will learn German within a theme-oriented framework with focus on language acquisition. It will also develop curiosity about the World of Science as students learn to think creatively about scientific concepts.

On 12<sup>th</sup> August, an online Inter House Music and Dance Competition 'Follow The Footsteps' was organised for the students of Classes II and III.

Independence Day was celebrated in school on 15<sup>th</sup> August. Members of Group D staff put up a cultural programme. Glimpses of the same were shared with the students on 16<sup>th</sup> August. The students also organized special assemblies on 16<sup>th</sup> August to mark the 75<sup>th</sup> year of India's Independence.

India Spelling Bee is organising an online competition on Bengali spellings for the first time. A total of 75 students have registered for it.

Quaestio, an Inter School Quiz Competition organised by Birla High School, Moira Street was held on 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> August. 4 students from Classes IV and V.

On 15<sup>th</sup> September, an online Inter House Talent Hunt Competition '60 Seconds to Fame' was organised for the students of Class I wherein students were requested to record a video of themselves showcasing their talent.

From 20<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> September, an art competition for students of Classes I to V was conducted on 'Durga Puja'.

An Inter House Quiz Competition is being organised for the students of Classes IV and V on Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> September through Google Meet.

“Magical March - 2.0,” a series of workshops was organized on 24th and 25th March 2022 for the students of Classes VI-IX and XI. These workshops were on art, drama, fitness, stage management, painting, poetry, acting, nutrition, digital marketing and music. Sessions on make-up and fitness were organised for parents and teachers of the Hub schools as well. For the students of the Primary section Magical March continued from 1<sup>st</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> March. In house faculty members along with outside facilitators conducted sessions on Zumba, puppetry, storytelling, financial literacy and cooking.

World Poetry Day was celebrated on 21<sup>st</sup> March by the students of Classes Nursery to IX and XI. The students read out poems in order to appreciate the same.

Discovery School Super league conducted its season 4 Quiz for Classes III to VIII on 9<sup>th</sup> March. Three students from Classes IV and V qualified for Round 2 in the Sub-Junior Category. Prisha Garg, (IV A) secured the 1<sup>st</sup> position.

### **SUSHILA BIRLA MEMORIAL DAY**

In celebration of Sushila Birla Memorial Day, Sushila Birla Girls' School organized a fortnight filled with literary events culminating in a session with eminent author, Mr. Ruskin Bond who was in conversation with Mr. Sujoy Prosad Chatterjee on 4<sup>th</sup> October. At a time when students are gradually moving away from reading for pleasure, this event was an attempt on the part of school to lure them back into the magical world of books. Several literary activities like book reading sessions to celebrate the birth anniversary of Roald Dahl, Agatha Christie and H.G. Wells and sessions with authors like Sampurna Chattarji, Tilottama Goswami, Himanjali Shankar and Dr. Sadhana Jha were conducted. Dr. Saikat Mazumdar, author and Professor of Ashoka University addressed the students of Classes XI and XII. A creative writing workshop was organized for the students of Classes VI and VII by Think Arts and a reading workshop was organized by Scholastic for the students of Classes III to V. Students of the Primary Section were regaled with storytelling sessions by storytellers Swati Kheria and Sonam Mantri. A book titled “Utopia in Dystopia” written and illustrated by the students from Classes IV to XII was launched on 4<sup>th</sup> October and the e-version of the same was uploaded on the digital library.

### **AAVISHKAR CLUB (MENTAL HEALTH)**

The members of the Aavishkar club from Classes XI-XII observed World Mental Health Day on 8<sup>th</sup> October 2021. They organized a virtual webinar "Back to Offline" that aimed at addressing the emotional and mental health issues of the students and teachers as they prepare themselves to resume physical school. The facilitators were Sharmila Ray (Geography department) and Sanghita Sanyal (English department) of Loreto College, Ranjana Roy, Sutapa Guharoy Dutta (both counsellors) and Ranjana Das (H.O.D. Social Science). About 280 students and faculty members from 8 schools and colleges across the country participated and made presentations in this interactive session.

Students of Classes VI-VIII participated in a webinar organised by this club on 8<sup>th</sup> October entitled “Mental Wellbeing-a Responsibility”. The speakers were Srishti Saha, Clinical Psychologist, Fortis Hospital and Shampa Chowdhury, Psychologist and Founder-member of School Counsellors Association. They spoke on taking care of self, digital detox, motivation enhancement, emotional intelligence and dealing with negativity.

A video showcasing the students of Class III celebrating Gandhi Jayanti through a special assembly titled ‘I am Gandhi, This is my message’ was uploaded on Instagram and the Facebook page of the school.

Durga Puja was celebrated in all classes during morning assembly on 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> October. Apart from PPT presentations, skits, songs and dances added to the festive fervour.

On the occasion of International Day of the Girl Child on 11<sup>th</sup> October, the students of Class V conducted a Special Assembly to highlight the importance of empowering the girl child.

### MISCELLANEOUS

Every month there are various Facebook posts, Instagram posts, twitter and Print media on various topics from the school.

### WEBINARS / WORKSHOPS ATTENDED BY TEACHERS

Date	Name of the Session	Conducted / Organized By	No. of Teachers Attended
08.10.2021	Competency Based Question Development	CBSE	1 (Hindi)
18.10.2021	The Relevance of lessons from Bhagvad Gita for Educators	Aditya Birla Academy	1 (Hindi)
22.10.2021	Defining the Goals for Learning, Keeping End in Mind	CBSE	3 (Hindi)
22.10.2021	Time to Play	International Council for School Leadership	10 (Primary)
25.10.2021 and 29.10.2021	Holistic Assessment	CBSE	3 (Hindi)
28.10.2021	The integration of Arts and Culture	CBSE	6 (Primary)
29.10.2021	Mental Health	Bharat Scouts	2 (Primary)
30.10.2021	School Leadership: Concepts and Application	CBSE	1 (Mathematics)
25.10.2021 to 01.11.2021	Test Item Writers' Training Course for English	British Council	1 (English)
01.11.2021	Reflection as an Assessment	CBSE	2 (Hindi)
10.11.2021 and 11.11.2021	School initiatives, Toy Based Pedagogy and School Based Assessment	CBSE	1 (Mathematics)
12.11.2021	CBSE Action Research	CBSE	1 (English)
13.11.2021	CBSE Term 1 Exam as an observer for board exams.	CBSE	1 (Mathematics)
13.11.2021	Teaching Strategies in Hindi	CBSE	1 (Hindi)
15.11.2021 to 20.11.2021	Hybrid Learning Education 3.0	CBSE	1 (Commerce)
12.11.2021	Good and Bad Touch	Bharat Scouts	2 (Primary)
23.11.2021	CBSE Reading Mission	CBSE	6 (Primary)

22.11.2021	Effective Teaching / Learning Material	CBSE	1 (Primary)
15.11.2021	Content and Time Management	CBSE	1 (Primary)
25.11.2021	Story books as enriching Teaching & Learning	CBSE	2 (Primary)
25.11.2021	The Library as a Dynamic Space to Nurture Reading Communities	CBSE	1 (Librarian)
01.12.2021	Digital Citizenship and Digital Wellness	CBSE	4 (English, Commerce and 2 Computer Science)
05.12.2021	Insights of National Coding Olympiad Junior	Super Teachers	1 (Primary)
09.12.2021	Early Identification & Intervention for SEN population in school - A Therapist's Guide	Drishiti	1 (Counsellor)
10.12.2021	Connecting and Communicating with Parents	CBSE	1 (Primary)
13.12.2021	Alternate Laboratory Training	CBSE	1 (Science)
15.12.2021 to 18.12.2021	Artificial Intelligence (AI) on Appreciate ; Aware ; Experiential Learning Course ; Competency-based Education-Modules 1,2,3,4.	Diksha	1 (English)
17.12.2021	How To Plan An Effective Induction Session For New Employees	Aditya Birla Education Academy	1 (Coordinator)
17.12.2021	Multiple Choice Questions	HOD Mathematics	9 (Primary)
17.12.2021	Multiple Choice Questions	HOD English	16 (Primary)
22.12.2021	Competency-based Education-Modules 1	Diksha	1 (English)
16.12.2021	Webinar on Employability Skill Component of Skill Subjects	CBSE	2 (Commerce)
13.12.2021	Power of Communication in School	Aditya Birla Education Academy	1 (Office)
24.12.2021	Friday @5 - 'Building a Scientific Temper/Mathematical Thinking	CBSE	6 (Primary)

24.12.2021	Practising Blended Learning	CBSE	1 (Primary)
22.12.2021	Nature of Modernity	Prof. Monowar Hossein,	4 (Mathematics)
27.12.2021	Virtual Labs on Teaching and Learning	NCERT	1 (Commerce)
28.12.2021	Journey of an ICT awardee	CBSE	1 (Commerce)
29.12.2021	Overcoming the barriers in career readiness among the adolescents	CBSE	1 (Commerce)
30.12.2021	Employability Skill Training	CBSE	1 (Commerce)
04.01.2022	Experiential Learning Course - Unit 1 organised	CBSE, Diksha	1 (Primary)
06.01.2022	Effective Communication Skills	Ms. Gurjit Kaur Bhatia, CENTA	1 (Primary)
07.01.2022 to 09.01.2022	Camp CogSci 2022	IIT Gandhinagar	3 (Science)
10.01.2022	Experiential Learning Course - Unit 1 organised	CBSE, Diksha	1 (Primary)
13.01.2022	The functional unit of learning and life	Mr. Shekhar Saini, CENTA	1 (Primary)
17.01.2022	Role of a Teacher in supporting learners with special needs	Dr. Radhika Misquitta, CENTA	1 (Primary)
20.01.2022	Framing Learning Outcomes and Objectives	Ms. Navpreet Brar, CENTA	1 (Primary)
22.01.2022	Supporting equity in a remote learning environment	CBSE	2 (Special Educators)
22.01.2022	Preparing Schools for Transformative School-Based Assessment (SBA) of Learning vis-à-vis NEP-2020	NABET	1 (Primary Coordinator)
08.01.2022	CBSE Reading Mission	CBSE	1 (Librarian)
27.01.2022 and 28.01.2022	CBSE Reading Mission	CBSE	8 (2 - English 6 - Primary)
28.01.2022	Importance of Social Science	Dr. Bratati Bhattacharya, Calcutta Business School	1 (Social Science)
29.01.2022	Preparing Schools for Transformative School Based Assessment (SBA) of Learning vis-à-vis NEP 2020 (Module II - Understanding implementation of HPC at school level)	Dr Pratanjali Mishra, Quality Control of India	1 (Coordinator)
03.02.2022	Graphic Organizers for Concept Acquisition	Savita Mall, CENTA	1(Primary)
03.02.2022	Introduction to Artificial Intelligence with the objective of using various AI tools in teaching	CBSE	4 (English, Hindi, Science, Library)
02.02.2022 to 09.02.2022	Exposure to the curriculum of Data Science (Skill Modules).	CBSE	2 (Computer Science)

02.02.2022 to 09.02.2022	Adolescent Peer educator leadership program in life skills, Holistic health & wellbeing	CBSE	2 (Counsellors)
09.02.2022	Engaging and Inspiring Learners in Computing through Project-Based Learning through Teachers	Robert Leeman, CBSE	2 (Mathematics)
11.02.2022 and 12.02.2022	Pedagogical Leadership Programme for Principals	Pratima Rajgaur, Principal Gyan Ganga Educational Academy, Raipur	1 (Principal)
11.02.2022	Write the Right Way	Pamela Ryan, TTC	9 (Primary)
25.02.2022 and 26.03.2022	Preparing School for Accreditation	Dr. Sheela Ragavan, Quality Control of India	1 (Coordinator)
02.03.2022 and 03.03.2022	Fashion Studies	CBSE	1 (Fashion Studies)
04.03.2022	Accountancy project Work and Not for profit Organization	CA, Dr G S Grewal	2 (Commerce)
05.03.2022 to 14.03.2022	Module V of the innovation ambassador program	CBSE	2 (Science)
07.03.22 to 11.03.2022	Hybrid Learning Programme	CBSE	10 (2 English, 2 Hindi, 4 Science and 2 Commerce)
07.03.2022 to 12.03.2022	AI workshops	Tech Avant Garde, Microsoft Global Training Partner.	3 (1 Hindi, 2 Mathematics)
10.03.2022	CBSE Learning Standards Framework for Classes IX -X	CBSE	2 (Mathematics)
11.03.2022	Becoming a competent tech-enabled educator	Atul Nischal, International Council for School Leadership, Delhi	1 (Science)
14.03.2022	AI- Self Learning Online Programme	INTEL	1 (Hindi)
16.03.2022	Building AI Readiness	CBSE, INTEL	1 (Hindi)
16.03.2022	Big Data Analysis	Sri Devi and Madhvan, NASSCOM	1 (Hindi)
19.03.2022	Inclusive Education	Bhavika Gidwani, CBSE	1 (Hindi)
25.03.2022	CII Education East Summit	Pradip Agarwal, Chairman, CII Eastern Region Education Subcommittee	7 (2 Science, 1 Hindi, 1 English, 3 Primary)

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