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CAMPUS NEWS ROUNDUP

The school reopened with the arrival of the students, and a Parent-Teacher Meet was held along with this to review the work done in the 2^{nd} Term.

The school bade farewell to Mrs. Rosamma George and welcomed Ms. Sarita Choudhary in the Science Dept.

On 13th January, a Parent-Teacher Meet was held, where the students were counselled jointly by parents and teachers, and their areas of concern were discussed.



On 14th January the school celebrated 'Makarsakranti', with colourful kites adorning the sky, and 'Lohri', with a bonfire and distribution of popcorn and sweets.

On 18th January, the Pre- Board Examination for classes X and XII commenced.

On 21st January, the Director of the school, Mrs. Sharmistha Julka, visited the school with a five member team from Remfry House.



On 24th January, Ms. Bhavana Sharma, a fashion model from Mumbai, addressed the students of 11th and 12th on modelling as a career option.

On 26th January, the school celebrated the 59th Republic Day with much fervour.

The chief guest Dr. Ravi Ranjan from Arvind Yadav Hospital, Rewari, unfurled the flag



amidst patriotic songs, speeches and the Principal's address.

14 students accompanied by 10 teachers went to Modern Public School, Bhiwadi, to organize and participate in an art

competition. This was sponsored by The Sagar Foundation, a new cultural initiative, started by Dr. Sagar, our founder.



On 27th January, school ranking competitions in Badminton, Squash, Lawn Tennis & Table Tennis were held.

From 29th January to 3rd February, Alwar District Badminton Association had organized a championship in which 9 of our students participated. In the U-13 Category, Faizan (VI) bagged the first and Aryaman (IV) the second position in Alwar District.

On 14th February, a Talent show was conducted in which students competed class-wise in a Dance competition, and showcased their talent in music, mimicry and magic. Girls and Class VI took 1st & 2nd positions respectively in the Junior Group whereas Class XI and Class IX bagged the 1st & 2nd positions respectively in the Senior Group.

- Ms. Monisha Sardana

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WINTER HOLIDAYS

As the last day of the examinations dawned I was very excited and was looking forward to the winter holidays. I boarded a plane on the next day and reached home safely. As soon as I reached home I had my favorite Manipuri dishes ready for me. First I went and met all my relatives and friends living around our area. What I enjoyed most during my holidays was to sleep and sleep till I was satisfied. I ate a lot of delicious home -made food, I played with my friends and thoroughly enjoyed myself. As it was the Christmas season, we had late night parties and the celebrations were fantastic.

On New Year we went for a picnic to a river side near a mountain. I felt truly one with nature: I played around and climbed the mountain with my brothers and sisters. It was a good beginning to the new year.

At times I also missed my school friends, as school and my friends are a second home to me. At the end of the holidays I shopped as much as I could, as I am fond of shopping. I bought many things for my friends and myself.

I enjoyed my holidays to the fullest extent, and this was indeed the best beginning to the year.

- Sisira Hawaibam, Class VIII



CELEBRATION OF MAKARSAKRANTI AND LOHRI

On 14th January, we celebrated Makarsakranti and Lohri in school. As is traditional the celebration of Makar Sakranti took off with the kite flying, which started at 2:15 pm. Many students participated and had great fun. The teachers also came and flew some kites and enjoyed themselves along with the students. It continued till 4:30 pm. It was really nice to see all the colorful kites in the clear blue sky. Some were blue, red and black. In fact the teachers and students were cutting each others kites. Kite flying was then followed by Lohri celebration. It started at 7:30pm. As all the students and teachers assembled in front of the dining hall, the burning of a stack of wood which is a symbol of the lohri celebrations was observed.

Our Bursar lit the lohri fire. We all threw some popcorn, 'rewris', and groundnuts into the fire as it is a part of the celebration rituals. We all ate the popcorn, 'rewris', and ground nuts and warmed ourselves by sitting in front of the fire as it was a cold evening.

After the Lohri celebration was over we all indulged in a special dinner prepared by the R.K.H.S.

- Tanya Lamba, Class VIII



SUNDAY CRICKET MATCH

It was a pleasant Sunday morning. The staff and students were in full zeal to play a match with each other. Everyone including players and spectators were excited and waiting for the match to commence.

A good start was made by the students as Utkarsh Grover, the captain of the student team, won the toss and chose to bat. The opening was done by Pathik of class IX and Raj Kamal Yadav of class XI. The opening bowler of the staff team was Mr.Hira. The first wicket was a shocking one as Raj Kamal was bowled out on 3 runs by Mr. Vijay Rao. It was shocking for the students to lose 5 wickets for 36 runs but they managed to score 87 with a loss of 8 wickets. When the staff were to bat Saniya Agarwal of class IX was in full zeal as he was the opening bowler and he took two wickets in the first over itself. This shocked the staff team and it was a jolly phase for students as they made the staff struggle. With the game of Mr. V. Rao, the staff team gained some hope but it was shaken by an exceptional catch taken by Pathik, off a superb ball from Sandeep Yadav. In the end, the staff won and everyone was fascinated by the bowling of Saniya and the batting of Mr. Rao as well as the fielding of Asif and Pathik, and the great organisation shown by the players under their respective captains.

- Chirag Bansal, Class IX

REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATIONS

On 26th January, The Sagar School held its republic day which was a huge success. The children gathered at the assembly ground fighting the chilling and biting cold with utmost bravery and patriotism. Our chief guest was Dr. Ravi Ranjan, who is the critical care consultant and chief of intensive care unit at Arvind Yadav Hospital, Rewari. He is a person with great accomplishments and merits - someone who has not only had a brilliant academic record but also won laurels in the field of medicine and surgery. He is a recipient of the prestigious T. N. Jha memorial award for the best post graduate student in Bihar. He served as the consultant in military hospital, Libya and had a stint of 4 years in Japan.

Apart from the patriotic song which left the school mesmerized with patriotism, our principal Dr. Jose also announced in his wonderful speech the prefect designates of our school for the year 2008-09. The names are as follows:-

John Malsawm Kima (Diamond), Lovish Jain(Emerald), Utkarsh Grover (Ruby), Farhad Towfiq Rahman (Sapphire), Juthamasd Singh Gaur (Girls).

Our chief guest Dr. Ravi Ranjan in his impressive speech gave one message — it is we students who need to stay back in India and with our brilliant brains make India a better country instead of going abroad.

- Srishti Bose, Class VIII



THE SAGAR FOUNDATION FOR CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

On Sunday 26th, at 7.30 in the morning, we took our breakfast and then went for the Republic Day assembly. At 8:00 am we sat in the bus and we were off to Bhiwadi for the Art Competition organized by The Sagar Foundation. Participants from The Sagar School were:-

Kamini Sahu, Sofia, Divyansh Karnani, Himanshu Yadav, Ishaa & Sisira Hawaibam, Chitrang Johri, Lovesh Yadav, Lovish Jain, Archit Agarwal, Aryaman Gir, Rishabh Garg, Ahn Jong Hyun.

A huge crowd of students of different schools from Bhiwadi also participated actively. The competition was held according to the age group, and topics such as 'the forest scene', 'pollution' etc. were given with a time limit of an hour. After having waited for half an hour, in the midst of which refreshments were served, the results were announced in which Archit Agarwal bagged the third position and Lovish Jain took away the consolation prize. It was an enjoyable and enriching experience for all.

- Kamini Sahu, Class VII

SURESH SHARMA MEMORIAL BADMINTON TOURNAMENT

This was the first time that Sagar school students had participated in any Badminton District tournament. The Late Shri Suresh Sharma Memorial Tournament was held at JK Club, Alwar from 29 Jan 08 to 3 Feb 08, organized by Alwar District Badminton Association. Events were for different age groups & there were categories for boys & girls — like U-13, U-16, and U-19 singles, and for seniors they organized Men's doubles and Women's singles event.

Our school participated in the boys U-13, U-16, and U-19 singles events. In the U-13 age group, Faizan Noor, Aryaman Gir, Apurv Sharma, Himanshu Yadav & Vatsal Jaipuria, in the U-16 age group, Thifadi Singh, Lovesh Yadav & Saniya Agarwal and in the U-19 age group, John Kima & Utkarsh Grover participated. U-16 & U-19 singles events, our students reached the quarterfinals.

In the boys U-13 age group, Sagar school participants gave an outstanding performance. Aryaman Gir (Grade 4), despite being the youngest player of the tournament, made it to the final, winning over our school ranked number one player of the Holding House, Apurv Sharma (Grade 6) in the semi-final.

Faizan Noor (Grade 6) also made a strong impact in the tournament and emerged as the winner in singles U-13 boys' category. Surprisingly, in the finals, he played against Aryaman Gir (Grade 4) who gave Faizan a tough time for every point. Their match was very close & interesting. Faizan Noor won the title after defeating Aryaman Gir 21-15, 21-17 and became Number one in the Alwar District U-13 age group category, wherein, Aryaman Gir grabbed number two position in the tournament.

The U-13 boys finals were highly appreciated by all the coaches of Alwar district & the Association secretary Mr. B. K. Arora. Prizes were given by Alwar district collector Mr. Bhaskar A Sawant. He personally requested the association secretary to organize a repeat of the U-13 boys finals. The performances of Faizan Noor & Aryaman Gir in the show match were highly appreciated by all in the tournament.

The finalist received track suits & merit certificates from the chief guest. A trophy was given to Mr. Manmeet Singh (Coach of our school) for the best performance & result of our school in the tournament.

Mr. B. K. Arora, Secretary of the Association, members & coaches were happy to see Sagar School's result and really appreciated the initiative taken by The Sagar School students to participate in such an invitational district sports event for exposure & new experience.

CREATIVE SECTION

A GOAT AND A BOAT

Once upon a time a goat jumped into the boat He wanted to go to the island that floats On the fairly goat land But he needed a hand to stand On the fairy goat land

He went on the boat and float The boat said "You stupid goat Use your leg and paddle to the right" With his strength he paddled towards his dreamland sight

The goat with the boat is approaching his dreamland The coconut tree, the creatures and sand on the land Shine as the host of the ambitious creature Who are arriving with hope for his future

"Pri-ang !!!- pri-ang !!!" the lighting sounded harsh And the bright light smash The goat on the boat into the sea The goat shouted "help me! help me!" Another tide came along And carried the goat away from where he belonged.

> The goat found himself drowning With fear and anxiety surrounding, The boat is nowhere to be seen The goat shouted and screamed.

But a familiar voice was heard "Wake up son, wake up" Then he told himself "Oh, it was just a dream"

- Somprat Sungthong, Class X - A



Class XII farewell party

A FISHY MATTER

Once upon a time, a fish lived in a pond Along with another fish. They trusted each other, They were no strangers.

One day they had a fight Caused by a small little thought It became bigger and bigger Couldn't stop it ever.

On a midsummer night one fish Killed the other fish The survived fish felt happy Without his little companion.

The corpse was rotting In the water slowly When he realized rot Everything he tried was of any use.

Someday when he was dying Remorse about what he did Made uneasy his conscience Still strangers or trusted ones?

- Ahn Jong Hyun, Class X - B

HOW TO WRITE A POEM

I have heard it's hard to master,

It gets you slow then gets you faster,

Writing a poem is a very difficult work,

Every time you do it, you feel like a jerk,

I think I can do it, if I can't, then I can't,

And if I can't, then I'll continue watering my plants,

When I found that I've written all that's above,

I came to know a reality which I couldn't overcome,

The reality, the fact, the truth, the act

That all that was written above,

Was in true words, a poem!

- Srishti Bose, Class VIII

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