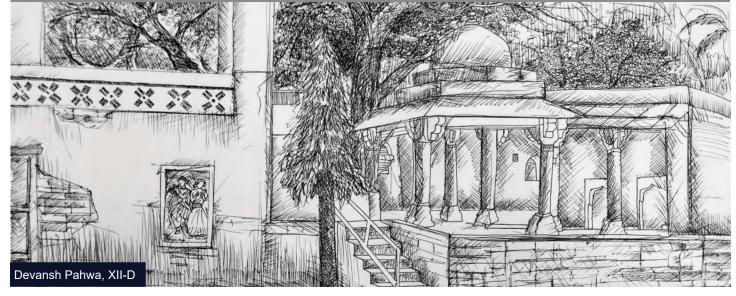


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# FORT NEWS

#### Weather Report

The month of Saavan, known for its rains in the Hindu calendar, is underway. Monsoon clouds are moving across the sky, with dark clouds suggesting the promise of heavy rain, but disappointment looms. Meteorologists predict that residents of the Fort will have to wait for four more days for heavy rain, with no significant downpours expected in the immediate future. However, heavy rain is anticipated in the first week of August.

Despite the delay, life on the Fort has returned to normal after a long summer break. Peacocks and peahens can be seen enjoying the occasional showers. The vibrant blooms of Kaner, Amaltas, Champa and Shami adorn the Fort, adding bursts of colour to its scenic beauty.

#### Manika Ghosh Memorial Art Competition

The Manika Ghosh Memorial Art Competition was held in April for all Groups. The overall results are as follows:

Junior Group:

I Kanerkhed II Dattaji III Nimaji IV Jankoji Middle Group:

I Madhav II Mahadji III Jayaji IV Daulat V Shivaji VI Ranoji VII Jeevaji VIII Jayappa

#### Senior Group:

I Madhav II Jayaji III Jayappa IV Ranoji V Shivaji VI Jeevaji VII Daulat VIII Mahadji



#### Young CEO product launch

On 21st April 2024, the school's Young CEO teams unveiled their products in the product launch. These newly launched products encapsulate three crucial aspects: promoting a healthy lifestyle through nutritious superfoods, advocating for sustainability by endorsing eco-friendly products and fostering a sense of fulfilment by contributing to society. The Superfoods team introduced their Makhana Brand



'Popped n Poppin', the sustainable team with their Bamboo Brush 'Bambrush' and Digital Literacy team with their 'E-Shiksha Sankalp.'

#### **Annual English play**

On 21st April 2024, the English Literary Society presented the Annual English Play based on Great Expectations by Charles Dickens. The play had a radiant cast of characters such as the eccentric



Miss Havisham, played by Lokesh Awasthi, the beautiful yet cold Estella by Krrishn Leelotpal Divyaa and Joe Gargery, the kind and unpretentious blacksmith by Ayush Kumar Garg. They were supported by - Granth Jagdish Mehta, Aarav Garg, Kiaan Dasgupta, Rohan Raidu Kunatham, Aryan Nishant Gupta, Kunal Govil, Prataksh Sharma, Kamal Nayan Gupta, Pranav Agarwal, Shauryaa Goel, Lakshya Arora, Samanyay Gupta, Devaansh Harlalka, Rohil Sharma, Akshaj Garg, Lakshya Tulsian, Ramansh Agarwal, Manan Agrawal, Nishchal Daksh, Riyansh Oswal, Sahaj Agarwal, Sanatan Agarwal, Samarth Garg, Shriyans Agarwal, Fravash Vikamsey, Pranjal Sharma, Suraj Kumar Agarwalla,

Shaurya Kumar Jain, Yajur Chaudhary, Madhav Agrawal and Siddhanth Agarwal. Special thanks to Shaurya Prakash, Aadi Dev Goel, Neev Agarwal, Devansh Agarwal and Ayaan Shah for lending their support in audio-visual, stage and props and costumes respectively.

#### हिंदी वार्षिक नाट्य प्रदर्शन

विगत 22 अप्रैल 2024 को वार्षिक नाट्य प्रदर्शन परंपरा के अंतर्गत, हिंदी साहित्य सभा के सदस्यों ने श्री शुक्ला स्मृति मुक्ताकाशी मंच पर महाकवि कालिदास की कालजयी रचना ''अभिज्ञान शाकुंतलम्'' को साकार किया। कार्यक्रम में विशेष रूप से अतिथि आमंत्रित निवर्त्तमान 'विषयवस्तु प्रमुख', सोनी इण्डिया, श्री आशीष गोलवलकर, उपस्थित थे। शकुंतला, दुष्यंत की विस्मृति के कारण अपमानित होती है, कष्ट सहती है, मगर अंत में दृष्यंत एवं शकुंतला का पुनर्मिलन होता है।



इस तरह, नाटक का सुखद अंत होता है। नाटक के मुख्य पात्रों के नाम हैं - हितेश सिंघल, गीतेश सिंघल, विनायक कपूर, आन्या पिल्लई, अग्रिम प्रताप यादव, आगमन अग्रवाल, अनहद जुनेजा, अनघ नाड्वथ, नमन दुआ, लक्ष्य शर्मा, गोपाल उपाध्याय, आरनी शर्मा, अजीता सिंह, दीया सिंह, स्वरित वार्ष्णेय, देवम गर्ग, अभिषेक अग्रवाल, यश निठारवाल, रणवीर चौहान, वंशज कथूरिया, सूर्यांश प्रताप सिंह, पार्थ प्रताप सिंह, सागनिक चंदा, तनिष्क अग्रवाल, स्वराज संतोष, श्लोक शर्मा, खुश तोड़ी, अंश बिश्नोई, वंश बिहानी, आयुष अग्निहोत्री, आदित्य कृष्णानी, दिविज अग्रवाल, अक्षत सिंह, अनय गुप्ता, समृद्धि शेलार, भावनी जैन, हंसिता मानकर, हर्षप्रीत कौर और अवनेन्द्र प्रताप सिंह । नेपथ्य (छात्रगण) -हर्षवर्दधन वादेर, कवीश पटवारी, मेधांश त्रिवेदी, दिवस चहल, अग्रिम प्रताप यादव. अभ्युदय प्रताप सिंह, श्लोक शर्मा, आर्नी शर्मा, हर्ष उपाध्याय, तेजस शर्मा, आर्यवर्धन सिंह सोमवंशी और विवेक सिंह।

#### **Junior House Report**

On 23rd April 2024, the Junior House Reports were read out at SMOAT. They displayed the remarkable achievements of students across various Houses. Exceptional students were honoured with awards, recognizing their contributions and success in various domains. The awards were as follows:



#### Kanerkhed:

Read by - Aryan Raj
Best in Sports- Ayaan N Krishna and
Arpit Lohia

Best in Academics- Vedant Jaiswal and Bhavni Jain

Best in Discipline- **Sutirtha Banerjee**All Rounder- **Yajur Chaudhary**Housemaster's Cup- **Rudraksh** 

#### Bansal

#### Nimaji :

Read by - Ayaan Khan
Best in Sports- Mrigank Shekhar and
Arnav Agarwal
Best in Academics- Arjun Dhoreliya

Best in Academics- **Arjun Dhoreliya** and **Shaurya Jain** Best in Discipline- **Viraj Agarwal** 

All Rounder- Kovid Kashyap
Housemaster's Cup- Shaurya Pratap
Singh

#### Dattaji :

Read by - Agastya Satija Best in Sports- Ekam S Dang and Ishaan Gupta

Best in Academics- Chirag Jalan and Vinayak Agarwal

Best in Discipline- Parshva Kochar All Rounder- Manvick Kapoor Housemaster's Cup- Krishnam Bajoria

#### Jankoji:

Read by - Granth J. Mehta
Best in Sports- Ishan Singh and
Kamal Nayan Gupta
Best in Academics- Krishnav
Agarwal, Vivan Poddar and Nikhil
Dua

Best in Discipline- **Prabhu** All Rounder- **Kushagar Arora** Housemaster's Cup- **Ishan Singh** 

#### Farewell of Mr Mustaq Khan Chaudhary and Mr Dinesh Madhwal On 23rd April 2024, the school bid a

On 23rd April 2024, the school bid a heartfelt farewell to Mr Mustaq Khan Chaudhary and Mr Dinesh Madhwal. The farewell ceremony, held at the Shukla Memorial Open Air Theatre. Students honoured the teachers by reciting poems and citations, highlighting their profound impact on both the students and the institution. Principal, Mr Ajay Singh lauded Mr Chaudhary and Mr Madhwal for their unwavering commitment, presenting them with tokens of gratitude. In their





poignant speeches, both teachers fondly reminisced about their memorable journeys at the school. As they embark on the next chapter of their lives, the school community extends its best wishes to Mr Mustaq Khan Chaudhary and Mr Dinesh Madhwal.

#### **Genesis Model United Nations**

A delegation of nine students participated in the Genesis Model United Nation's 2024 from 23rd to 25th May 2024. The results for the same are as follows:



Best Delegate: Lakshya Arora Special Mention: Rushil Rajan and Lokesh Awasthi

USA Exchange Programme
Three students Keshav Jhunjhunwala,
Sameep Mody and Tanish Agrawal,



participated in a month-long student exchange program at St. Marks School, Southborough from 28th March to 26th April 2024.

#### All India IPSC Squash

From 29th April to 6th May 2024, six boys from our school participated in All India IPSC Squash Tournament

held at Daly College, Indore. The participants, Tanush Somani, Yash Agarwal, Omitya Singh, Saksham Agarwal, Mahiman Vikamsey and Parshva Kochar, were escorted by Mr Shiv Kumar Sharma.

#### **Emerald Heights International School Model United Nations**

Eleven students from our school Gaurang Mangal, Nityam Jain, Madhav Agarwal, Jayant Agarwal, Ved Gupta, Vidhaay Singhania, Pranjal Sharma, Paarth Agrawal, Pushkal Agrawal, Shiv Shah and Swarit Varshney participated in the EHISMUN held at Emerald Heights International School, Indore from 27th to 30th April 2024.

#### **IPSC Cricket Tournament**

All India IPSC Cricket under 17 boys' tournament was conducted from 27th April to 2nd May 2024. The Chief Guest for the event was Mr Ajay Singh, the Principal of The Scindia School. 18 teams participated and they were divided into 4 groups. The following schools participated YPS Mohali, MNSS Rai, Daly College Indore, Emerald Heights, YPS Patiala, RKC Raipur, Modern School, Mayo College, The Sanskar Valley, BK Birla Pune,



Birla Public School Pilani, Lawrence School Sanawar, Punjab Public School Nabha, DPS RK Puram, Welham Boys School, Hyderabad Public School, Assam Valley School and The Scindia School. On days 1 and 2, group matches were played out of which 8 teams qualified for quarter-finals conducted on the 3rd and 4th day. The semifinals were played on 1st May and the finals on 2nd May 2024. The Rajkumar College, Raipur were the winners.



The Player of the match for the Hardline match – **Girith**, Modern School Barakhamba Road, New Delhi

Upcoming Player of the Tournament - Pranit Pathak, The Scindia School

Diligent Player of the Tournament - Abhijay Pratap Singh, The Scindia School

Emerging Player of the Tournament - Shaurya Pratap Singh, The Scindia School

Promising Player of the Tournament - Shresht Agarwal, The Scindia School Player of the Match for Final-Vedansh Khediya, The Rajkumar College, Rajkot.

Best Batter of the Tournament-Vedansh Khediya, The Rajkumar College, Rajkot

Best Bowler of the Tournament- Avi Sharma, Modern School Barakhamba Road, New Delhi

Player of the series- Yashwardhan Singh Chauhan, The Scindia School Runner's up team- The Emerald Heights International School Winners- The Rajkumar College, Rajkot

#### Inaugural BW NextGen Edu Summit

Ms Smita Chaturvedi, Vice Principal of The Scindia School, was invited to be a speaker at the Inaugural BW NextGen Edu Summit presented by ICFAI, in collaboration with BW Education on 29th April 2024. The



theme revolved around landscaping education, focusing on both school and higher education, with an emphasis on fostering collaboration, innovation and inclusive practices.

# Teachers workshop on POCSO and PoSH

A workshop was conducted on 25th April 2024 for the teachers to increase their awareness regarding the POCSO and PoSH rules.



# **Trekking by School Teachers**The teachers of the school scaled two peaks during the summer vacations.

Mr Rahul Bharadwaj - Kedarkantha (12,500 ft) from 16th to 24th May 2024. Mr Srijit Pillai - Kedarkantha (12,500 ft) from 28th May to 5th June 2024. Ms Manisha Singh - Dayara Bugyal (11,939 ft) from 4th to 12th May 2024.

Afzal Khan Basketball Tournament 12 students from our school namely Amogh Bhargava, Dhairya Goyal, Jahaan Nagpal, Akshay Pratap Singh, Rituparn Singh, Shaurya Pankaj Veer, Parakram Dudi, Prabhat Bajpai, Kunwar Partap Singh, Yash Nitharwal, Nikunj Jalan and Rohan Raidu Kunatham participated in The Afzal Khan Basketball Tournament held at The Doon School, Dehradun from 2nd April to 8th April 2024.

#### German Exchange

Janmesh Parimalbhai Pardava, Prahlad Tyagi, Ranveer Chauhan, Anay Gupta, Saharsh Singh, Manan Gupta, Kartik Dulani, Ram Chandra Dhengula, Parv Goyal and Kamal Nayan Gupta along with 2 teacher



escorts Mr Anil Pathania and Mr Gopal Chaturvedi went on an Exchange program to Germany from 1st to 17th May.

#### French Immersion Programme

From 13th to 21st May 2024, Avyukt Gupta, Ajandeep Singh, Prayan Agarwal, Parshva Kochar, Saman Vinayak Mehrotra. Agarwal, Manvick Kapoor, Idhaant Mehrotra, Krishdeep Sidhu, Abeer Narayan Seth, Devesh Khemka, Chirag Jalan, Abhiraj Kumar, Atharv Kasera, Divesh Kumar and Harman Singh Makhija went on a transformative linguistic and cultural journey to France, escorted by the Dean of ICT, Mr Raj Kapoor. Upon arrival at Paris, they travelled to Rouen, where they attended intensive French language courses. They also relished authentic French cuisine.



**Japan Immersion Programme** 

students namely - Aagman Agarwal, Abhimanyu Banoth, Advait Khemka, Bhavya Jain, Chingkheinganba Raj Kumar. Devam Garg, Divyansh Parecha, Fravash Vikamsey, Garvvin Chugh, Harsh Daruka, Hitansh Gupta, Ishaan Gupta, Khush Todi, Mridul Roy, Naksha Mandhyani, Nimit Agarwal, Prabh Sahib Singh Oberoi, Priyansh Goyal, Priyansh Agarwal, Rishabh Agrawal, Satyam Kumar Soni, Shaurya Pankaj Veer, Shaurya Singhal, Siddhant Jain, Sindhu Deep Singh, Suryaansh Pratap Singh, Syed Aarish Bin Sarosh and Yuvraj **Singh** and 3 teacher escorts Mr Jagdish Joshi, Mr Pawan Mali and Mr Ritendra Dwivedi began their unforgettable educational adventure to Japan from 26th May to 3rd June 2024. Departing from New Delhi, they journeyed to Tokyo, immersing themselves in the city's vibrant energy. From exploring



cutting-edge technology at the Miraikan and Tokyo Skytree to experiencing traditional culture at Sensō-ji Temple, their itinerary was packed with diverse experiences.

#### Spiti valley

Anubhav Agarwal, Simarjot Singh Malhi, Uday Ahuja, Ryan Batra, Devansh Harlalka, Abdul Hadi, Swarit Varshney, Ansh Gupta, Shriyans Agarwal, Bhavya Saini and Sushil Kumar Sinha accompanied



by Mr Ashok K. Shivraman attended a Green House Project in Spiti Valley from 6th to 16th June 2024.

**Expedition to Norbu peak** Pushkal Agrawal, Parth Agrawal, Gaurang Mangal, Vishith Venkatesh, Nikunj Agrawal, Ankesh Bihari,



Prakshal Agrawal, Aarav Rungta, Dhairya Rungta, Harshil Gupta and Jayant Rathi from the school went on an mountaineering expedition to Norbu Peak (17146 ft.) from 6th to 18th June 2024. They were lead by group leader Mr Anil Pathania and deputy leader Mr Perminder Singh Ghai.

#### Leh cycling

17 students, Saksham Agrawal, Yash Agarwal, Jahaan Nagpal, Ved Gupta, Omitya Singh, Jay Gupta, Chavi Agarwal, Jayant Agrawal, Abhiraj Singh Parmar, Hardik Bhatia, Kavin Singh, Aditya Raj Pandey, Bhavya Madaan, Aarni Sharma, Saksham Sameer Kubde, Samarth Garg and Ishan Garg went on a cycling expedition from Leh to Hanle from



10th June to 19th June. They were led by Mr Dhirendra Sharma, Ms Divya Verma and Mr Amit Kumar.

**Nehru Institute of Mountaineering** Thirteen students, namely Sahaj Keshav Rathour, Agrawal. Madhavnath Kaushal, Akhand Pratap Rai, Saharsh Singh, Ram Chandra Dhengula, Yash Nitharwal, Rohan Kunatam, Agrim Pratap Yadav, Bhavya Raj Jain, Kavish Daruka, Shourya Barnwal and Pranjal Sharma completed a 16-day adventure course at the Nehru Institute of Mountaineering from 10th June to 26th June 2024. Akhand Pradeep Rai won a gold in sports climbing.

#### **UK Cricket Tour 2024-25**

On 8th June 2024, 17 students from the school, namely Shreshth Agrawal, Bhavesh Mittal, Rudransh Agrawal, Umar Sadik Khan. Shourya Aggrawal, Shivansh Sahu, Archit Choudhary, Riyansh Oswal, Manikanta Vattam, Pranet Pathak,

Majumdar, Aryaneel **Abhiiav** Pratap Singh, Arnav Agrawal, Siddharth Choudhary, Gunveer Singh Ghandhi, Kunwar Pratap Singh and Harshvardhan Goyal, departed to the United Kingdom along with 2 escort teachers, Mr Mandaar Sharma and Mr Vijay Prakash Sharma. The matches were played in three different cities -Stoke



on Trent, Manchester and London. The team performed exceptionally well throughout the tour, registering 6 wins out of the 7 and bought laurels to the school. The team met the SOBA head of Europe, Mr Vikram Mohan (Ex-RN, 1994). The session at Lords Stadium was taken by Mr Usman Arif, who has been the bowling coach of Bangladesh and Sunrisers Hyderabad and Mr Mohammed Shakeel Ahmed, ex- Pakistan test player. They presented the following awards to the boys of the school for their performance throughout the tournament:

Best batter of the tournament- Shresth **Agrawal** 

Best bowler of the tournament- Archit Choudharv

Best All Rounder of the tournament-

#### **Bhavesh Mittal**

Best Fielder of the tournament-

#### Manikanta Vattam

Best in Discipline- Aryaneel

#### Majumdar

Emerging Player- Pranit Pathak Player of the Series- Rudransh

#### Agrawal

The team returned to India on 21st June with a successful tour and lots of memories.

#### **NUS Internship Program** Nibir Jyoti Nath and Tanush Somani

of class XII, participated in a student internship program at the National University of Singapore in Singapore from 16th to 25th June 2024. Both Tanush and Nibir received a certificate and a Letter of Recommendation from GlobalCERT in collaboration with National University of Singapore.

#### The 6th Edition of Ladakh Service **Project and Trekking Expedition** 2024

The Ladakh Service Project and Trekking Expedition was organised by The Scindia School under the leadership of Ms Raksha Siriah from 26th June to 11th July 2024. 24 students, 7 teachers from 5 schools namely Modern School, Barakhamba Road, New Delhi, Mayo College, Ajmer, Mayo College Girls' School, Ajmer, Pinegrove School and



The Scindia School, Fort, Gwalior participated in it. This year ten students: Saksham Agarwal, Rohan Asrani, Saksham Sameer Kubde, Raghav Sharma, Neev Agarwal, Fravash Vikamsey, Harshwardhan Wadher, Vatsal Agarwal, Vivek Singh and Yash Agarwal represented The Scindia School. They were accompanied by the Vice Principal, Ms Smita Chaturvedi and deputy leader Mr Chetan Bhatia.

After successfully completing the service project, the group went on trekking expedition from 6th July. The trek included a challenging 22-kilometer hike from the base camp in Yangthang to Ulley and a significant ascent to Tsermang Changla Pass at 15,500 feet.

#### Indo-Sri Lanka Cultural fest

12 students, namely Lakshya Sharma, Dhairya Goyal, Kamal Nayan Gupta, Akshat Singh, Aryan Singh, Aryan Raj, Nityam Jain, Aarush Sharma, Shlok Sharma, Ansh Mittal,



Medhansh Trivedi and Shaurya Singhal, were selected to represent the school in the Indo-Sri Lankan Cultural Festival 2024, organized from 6th July to 11th July 2024. They were escorted by Mr Yogesh Sharma. Lakshya Sharma had an opportunity to share the stage with the Sri Lankan rock band 'Humans'.

#### **Aryabhat Astronomy Quiz**

**Aadi Dev Goyal**, a student of class IX, had the opportunity to visit the

Udaipur and Mount Abu observatories after securing the 9th position in 'The Aryabhat Astronomy Quiz 2024'. Out of 8,323 participants, he was among the top 50 students in Madhya Pradesh to reach the final round.

## Inauguration of the new Swimming Pool

The new swimming pool 'Mansarovar' was inaugurated with a puja ceremony on 9th July 2024.



#### **Exchange Students from Ghana**

The school extends a warm welcome to our new exchange students from Ghana, Theodore Dei-Tutu and Joel



Leslie K. Brown. They have immersed themselves well in the rich ethos and varied activities of the school.

#### Farewell To Mr Ritendra Diwedi

The school bid farewell to Mr Ritendra Diwedi. Mr Diwedi was a mathematics faculty in the school. He was loved by both students and teachers alike. His heartful kindness and laughter will be missed by everyone in the school. The school wishes him the best for his future endeavours.

#### Farewell To Ms Ritu Guglani

The school bid farewell to Ms Ritu Guglani. Ms Guglani was a French faculty in the school since 2021. She served as a Resident Tutor for Nimaji and Kanerkhed House and was deeply loved by her students and peers. The school wishes her luck for her future endeavours.

#### Trip to Ranthambore

All the new students from classes VI to VIII went on 'Know your friend outing' to Ranthambore. They made new friends with ice-breaking sessions and



were made familiar to their upcoming glorious years in the school with event orientations.

#### **University Fair**

On 12th July 2024, the school organized a University Fair exhibiting top universities in India and Overseas. Representatives from more than 70 Universities from all around the world such as University of Texas at Dallas, IDP, University of Arizona were present in the school assembly hall.

#### Staff v/s Students Football

The school conducted a friendly Football match between the students'



team and teachers' team on 16th June 2024, to kickstart this football season. The teachers' team won with a convincing margin of 5-2.

#### International Asteroid Search Campaign

From 1st July to 26th July 2024, Kumar Abhikshit Narayan, Aadi Dev Goel and Lakshya Tulsian from our school participated in the International Asteroid Search Campaign organised by International Astronomical Search Collaboration. They were a part of the international team of scientists around the world to make 344 preliminary observations of asteroids.

#### **HCL Jigsaw 5.0**

HCL conducted an Orientation for classes VI to IX on the Upcoming HCL Jigsaw 5.0 in the Assembly Hall on 16th July 2024. It is an Interschool competition organised by HCL every year to find the best logical minds around the country.

#### Workshop by Trinity College London On 19th July 2024, Mr Dale Edwards,

India Head – Academic Team - Language, Communication, Drama and Performance for Trinity College London interacted with the students on importance of communication.

#### **Meeting of the School Council**

The first meeting of the School Council this year was conducted in the library on 22nd July 2024. The primary agenda of the meeting was to appoint the Secretary and Joint Secretaries.

The minutes of the last meeting were discussed. The agenda of which was how the school can increase efficiency of proceedings of Societies and Hobbies and limit the use of laptops in the school. After a round of elections, the following members were elected-Secretary- Kavin Singh Chhatwal Joint Secretaries- Lakshya Tulsian and Yajur Chaudhary

# Inter House 'A' Group and 'B' Group Football Tournament

The Inter House 'A' group and 'B' group football tournament was conducted from 17th July to 24th July 2024. The teams were divided into two pools, from which two teams each qualified for the semi-finals. From group 'A' the final was played between Ranoji and Jayappa, where Ranoji won the match



with the score of 3-0 and the hardline match was played between Mahadji and Jeevaji where Mahadji won the match with the score of 3-2. From group 'B' the final was played between Mahadji and Ranoji where Mahadji emerged victorious with the score of 2-1 and the hardline was played between Jeevaji and Shivaji where Jeevaji won the match in penalties.

#### **Bullying Prevention Workshop**

Ms Niharika Kulshresth conducted an interactive workshop on bullying prevention and empathy building for Junior Houses in the Assembly Hall on 22nd July 2024.

#### **Good Touch Bad Touch Workshop**

On 26th July 2024, A 'Good Touch, Bad Touch' workshop was conducted in the assembly hall by Ms Niharika Kulshresth. Students gained knowledge about distinguishing between safe and harmful touch, the POCSO Act and reporting procedures.



#### Mussoorie International School MIS-MUN 2024

The Scindia School participated in the MIS MUN 2024 from 23rd to 25th July 2024. The delegation consisted of 11 students, namely Nityam Jain, Chavvi Agrawal, Ishan Chokkani, Shiv Shah, Siddhanth Agrawal, Neil Agrawal, Vivaan Agrawal, Grant Mehta, Abhikshit Narayan, Chirag Jalan and Mayank Jindal who were escorted by Mr Anoop V. The students



brought laurels to the school by winning a total of 7 individual awards and bagged the best delegation award as well. The following were the winners:

**Granth Mehta:** UNHRC Best Delegate, Night Crisis Honourable Mention

**Siddhanth Agarwal:** UNSC Best Delegate

Neil Agarwal: UNODC Best Delegate Ishan Chokkani: Lok Sabha Honourable Mention

**Abhikshit Narayan:** UNODC Special Mention

Shiv Shah: Best Content Writer
Chavvi Agrawal: UNCSW
Honourable Mention

#### Genesis Global School Knowledge Conclave

Raghuveer Kochar, Ayan N Krishna, Krishnam Bajoria, Abhijay Pratap Singh, Atharv Kasera, Kiaan Das Gupta, Rishit Sharma, Aadi Dev Goel, Lakshya Tulsian, Yuvraj Sethia, Dhir Bharat Jhunjhunwala, Ayaan Agarwal, Shriyans Agarwal from our school participated in the Knowledge Conclave hosted by Genesis Global School, Noida on 25th July and 26th July 2024.

The school bagged the following awards:

English extempore debate-

**Dhir Bharat Jhunjhunwala-** Best Speaker

Hindi Ashubhashan-

Yuvraj Sethia- Best Speaker

IPSC Drama Fest 'Rang Abhinay'
Naman Dua, Ranveer Chauhan, Suraj
Kumar Agarwalla, Aanya Pillai,
Aarni Sharma, Lokesh Awasthi,
Lakshya Arora, Aryavardhan Singh
Somvanshi, Prataksh Sharma and
Swarit Varshneya from our school
participated in the IPSC Drama Fest



'Rang Abhinay' held at The Sanskar Valley School from 19th to 21st July, 2024. The students participated in multiple dramatics events. Our school showcased exceptional performance by bagging the First position in 'Strings of Shakespeare', the English dramatics event.

#### **Academic Honours Ceremony**

On 20th July 2024, The Scindia School held its annual Academic Honours Assembly to honour students for their outstanding academic achievements. The event was marked by the signing of the Honours Book,



a prestigious tradition recognizing the top performers. The students were distributed with certificates to attend the VP's Breakfast and The Scholars Banquet. During the ceremony, scholars badges and scholars ties were awarded to meritorious students.

#### Principal's Breakfast

The Principal's Breakfast for the new students who joined the Scindia family was organised on 21st July, 2024. It was a delightful and memorable event. The new students had the opportunity to engage in a warm and lively interaction with the Principal, Mr Ajay Singh, which was filled with laughter and joy. The morning was brimming with energy as the boys participated in a



variety of activities, including dancing and singing, showcasing their talents and enthusiasm.

Negotium Agon Business Fest Prabhat Bajpai, Kavin Chhatwal, Jayant Agrawal, Bhavya Saini and Hardik Bhatia were escorted by Ms Sudha Sharma to participate in Negotium Agon Business Fest which took place on 27th July 2024. Jayant Agrawal was awarded with outstanding performance.

#### Ladies Club - 'Jhula Party'

The Ladies Club welcomed Monsoon in its fourth gathering. The members were thrilled to meet each other after a long break. The organizers this time were Ms Raksha Siriah and team under the able leadership of the President Ms Anamika Singh. The highlight of the day was the game of making jewelleries from flowers. Ms Pooja Shiv Singh and team were declared the



winners of the game. All the members played Housie and won cash prizes of different amounts. Furthermore ,the moment arrived that was much awaited by all - the announcement of 'Hariyali Oueen'. The winner was Ms Fiza Khan. That was not all, a Jhula Party was also organised by the club.

#### Old Boys' News Mr Vikram Misri - Foreign Secretary

Mr Vikram Misri (Ex-SH, 1981) has been appointed as the new Foreign Secretary of India. We wish him all the hest.

#### Akshat Karwa's Highest Honour Award

Akshat Karwa (Ex-MD, 2021) was awarded the highest honour for excellence in Science at Georgia Tech University, Atlanta, USA. He was adorned with double gold-white cords during the Graduation Day ceremony on 3rd May 2024.

#### Ironman- Mr Sushobhan Verma

Mr Sushobhan Verma (Ex - RN, 2013), earned the prestigious title of 'IRONMAN' at the North American IRONMAN Triathlon Championships in Texas, USA, on April 27, 2024.

#### **Best Car in Vintage Award**

Dr. Shahamat Hussain (Ex - RN, 1988) proudly won the 'Best Car in Vintage Category' award with his impeccably restored Oakland, which features the distinguished 'Scindian' logo.

#### Ansh Garg's AIR of 158 in JEE

We extend heartfelt congratulations to Ansh Garg (Ex- MD, 20??), for achieving a commendable All-India Rank of 158 in the Joint Entrance Examination. We wish him all the best for the future.

#### Interaction with Mr Hari Agarwal (Ex - SH, 1987)By Lakshya Tulsian, IX-C

In interaction with Mr Agarwal, we were enlightened about how Holiday Homework was introduced in 1982, when the Asian Games were hosted in India. The school closure for two months disrupted academics, leading to potential syllabus gaps. To address this, the school launched the Holiday Homework concept to help students stay on track with their studies during the break and in 1985, Dr. S.D Singh, aiming to elevate student performance in crucial exam years like classes X and XII, initiated the Winter Study provided Camp. This program intensive focused academic sessions during winter break to ensure thorough syllabus coverage and enhance their chances of good scores.

#### **Investiture Ceremony**

Investiture Ceremony organised on 16th July 2024. It is a resplendent affair that marks the dawn of a new era in student leadership. Held within the imposing embrace of the historic Fort, this grand occasion is a symbolic transfer of power, where young minds ascend to positions of responsibility.

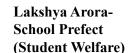
This year 17 students were honoured with the prestigious 'Blue shirts'. Their names are as follows-

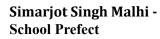
Tanish Agrawal -**Senior School Prefect** 

Fravash Vikamsey-**Deputy Senior School Prefect** 

Sameep Mody-**School Prefect** (Academic)

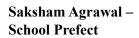
**Rohil Sharma-School Prefect** (Cultural)







Keshav Jhunjhunwala-**School prefect** 



Rohan Asrani-**School Prefect** 

Saksham Sameer Kubde-**School Prefect** 

Harshvardhan Wadher-**School Prefect** 

Aryavardhan Singh-**School Prefect** 

Ujjwal Gupta-**School Prefect** 

Shaurya Prakash-**School Prefect** 

Kavish Patwari-**School Prefect** 































# **CBSE RESULTS**

### **CLASS X, OVERVIEW OF 2024**

**School Result (English + Best 4):** Average Percentage = 85%

No. of Students : 90 90% & Above : 35 85% – 90% : 18 80% – 85% : 12 75% – 80% : 13 60% – 75% : 12 Below 60% : 0

#### TOPPERS LIST (English + Best 4) - 85% AND ABOVE

Name of the Student	Percentage	Name of the Student	Percentage	Name of the Student	Percentage
Mehul Jain	98.6	Ayaan Agrawal	98.2	Madesh Ashok	98.2
Arnav Joshi	97.8	Bhavya Jain	97.4	Shourya Singh	97.2
Rudransh Agrawal	96.8	Sahil Kilhore	96.2	Bhavya Saini	96.2
Bhavesh Mittal	96	Saksham Agrawal	95.8	Madhav Agrawal	95.6
Ayaan Shah	95.6	Kavin Singh	95.2	Yuvraj Sethia	95.2
Harshil Gupta	95	Paarth Agrawal	94.2	Navansh Mankar	94
Swarit Varshney	94	Aarav Rungta	93.6	Vishith Venkatesh	93.4
Prakshal Agarwal	92.2	Shresth Agarwal	92	Jayant Agrawal	91.8
Prrithvee Rajswarup Patha	k 91.6	Shiv Sah	91.6	Ishan Garg	91.2
Shaurya Krishna	91.2	Rishabh Singhania	91.2	Samarth Garg	91
Suyash Jain	91	Chavi Agarwal	90.2	Dhir Bharat Jhunjhunwala	90.2
Adhiraj Singh	90	Dhairya Rungta	90	Shivaansh Patwari	89
Nikunj Agrawal	88.8	Aarni Sharma	88.6	Yatharth Agarwal	88.4
Dev Pathak	88.4	Vedant Kanodia	88	Aditya Bikram Khatiwara	87.2
Ryan Batra	87.2	Aditya Singh Gurjar	87	Aryan Singh	87
Adwait Jaiswal	86.8	Sagnik Chanda	86.6	Aarush Sharma	86.2
Naksha Mandhyani	86	Garvit Sharma	85.8	Ryan Agarwal	85.6
Harsh Daruka	85.2	Ansh Gupta	84.8		

100% in Artificial Intelligence - Mehul Jain, Ayaan Agrawal, Madesh Ashok, Arnav Joshi, Navansh Mankar, Shresth Agarwal, Shaurya Krishna, Samarth Garg, Rishabh Singhania, Adhiraj Singh, Dev Pathak
100% in Mathematics - Mehul Jain, Bhavya Jain, Rudransh Agrawal, Saksham Agrawal
100% in French - Bhavya Saini

#### **CLASS XII, OVERVIEW OF 2024**

**School Result (Best 4):** Average Percentage = 87%

School Result (English + Best 4): Average Percentage = 84%

**Stream Toppers (Best 4 Aggregates)** 

Science: Hardik Shivhare: (94.5%), Humanities: Krrishn Leelotpal Divyaa (98%), Commerce: Yash Jain (97.5%)

No. of Students : 78 95% and above : 12 85% – 94% : 37 75% – 84% : 26 65% – 74% : 03 55% – 64% : 0 Below 55% : 0

School Topper (English + Best 4): Krrishn Leelotpal Divyaa (96.6%)

#### **TOPPERS LIST (BEST 4) – 85% AND ABOVE**

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Name of the Student	Percentage	Name of the Student	Percentage	Name of the Student	Percentage	
Krrishn Leelotpal Divyaa	98	Yash Jain	97.5	Shivansh Sahu	97	
Swejeet Taparia	97	Keshav Vallabh Bhagat	96.5	Krish Agarwal	96.5	
Kushal Agarwal	96	Dhruv Goyal	95.8	Abhay Kumar	95.8	
Siddhartha Khetan	95.3	Sunay Garg	94.8	Hardik Shivhare	94.5	
Rehan Agrawal	94.3	Lakshay Chauhan	94.3	Atharv Mandloi	94	
Shourya Mittal	94	Daksh Sethi	94	Arnav Yadav	93.8	
Dev Pratap Bansal	93.5	Krishna Gupta	93.5	Pragyesh Mauli Maurya	93.3	
Abhishek Chauhan	93.3	Ritik Sachdeva	92.8	Yash Pathak	92.5	
Vatsal Kashliwal	92.3	Vidhan Khandelwal	92.3	Vasant S Bhat	91.8	
Shourya Agarwal	91.5	Divyansh Gupta	91.3	Nimesh Singh	91	
Daksh Bajaj	90.8	Akshay Suman	90.5	Anuj Pratap Singh Rajpoot	90.5	
Aditya Jain	89.3	Shlok Maurya	89	Umar Sadik	89	
Satkrit Poddar	88.5	Siddhanth Kaul	88.5	Shakti Singh Gaud	87.8	
Kushagra Singh	87	Ansh Jamwal	86.3	Akshat Agrawal	86.3	
Rishon Jaiswal	86.3	Pranshu Chaudhary	86.3	Jatin Singh	86	
Aaradhy Shiv Shukla	85.3	Shrey Shukla	85.3	Akhil Sharma	84.5	
Ekaksh Mohan	84.5					

100% in Painting - Daksh Bajaj, Dev Pratap Bansal, Hardik Shivhare, Inesh Agrawal, Nimesh Singh, Vansh Pratap Singh, Akshat Agrawal, Arnav Yadav, Dhruv Goyal, Lakshay Chauhan, Krishna Gupta, Kushal Agarwal, Ritik Sachdeva, Shivansh Sahu, Swejeet Taparia

#### A Tribute to Madhavi Raje Scindia Mr A.N. Dar (Ex-Rn, 1958 : Former Principal : Madhav Awardee)



Rohini and I had been following Madhavi Raje's health issue closely with Jyotiraditya and was concerned about her well-being. To the concern of all of us, she had been hospitalised over an extended period.

We regarded ourselves as part of their family. After all, I took birth on the Fort, studied in The Scindia School as a schoolmate of Madhavrao till Class XII, went on to be a teacher of Jyotiraditya in Doon and had the privilege of heading The Scindia School from 1994-2000. Even after my retirement from Scindia I remained connected with the family.

Naturally, I had the privilege of meeting Madhavi Raje regularly in Jai Vilas Palace and at Madhavrao's residence on Safdarjung Road. Before long, Jyotiraditya got admitted in the Doon School so Rohini and I were able to receive her and Madhavrao also at our residence there. As luck would have it, I became the Principal in The Scindia School, so it was always a joy to receive Madhavi Raje and Madhavrao in our home. These meetings gave Rohini and me a chance to get to know her a little more informally. I found her an individual with grace and all courtesy all the time in every way.



She had a quiet royal dignity about herself yet some informality when it came to meeting us. Once I entered my residence in Doon and found her sitting alone in my drawing room.

I was taken aback. I asked her how come she was alone there. With her usual quiet dignity, she answered, "Your mother was here but has gone into the kitchen to make tea for me. I had offered to go with her and help her, but she requested me to sit there." That was Madhavi Raje – No airs about herself. Interestingly, during our meetings in Doon, neither Madhavrao nor Madhavi Raje ever discussed Jyotiraditya with me. That was something left to his housemaster and teachers. They were both always so relaxed.

Yes, Madhavrao was a student of my father in his early Scindia days and respected him greatly. We were sitting in my drawing room once in Doon after dinner, when my father dropped in. Madhavrao asked my father after a little while if he could smoke. My father replied, "Why not? After all, my son is smoking."

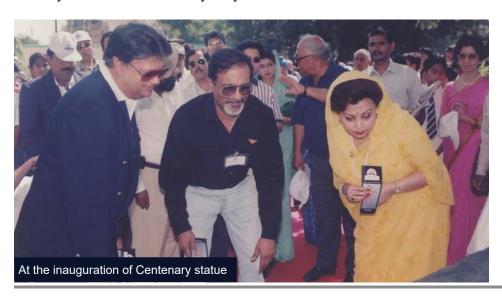
This respect and courtesy were typical of Madhavrao and Madhavi Raje.

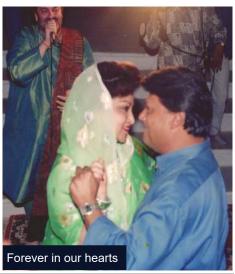
On Madhavrao's 50th birthday, I had them both for dinner at my residence in Scindia with three close friends of Madhavrao. However, Jyotiraditya and his wife had their dinner with the boys in the school dining hall only. I was advised by Vijay Phalke that he was only taking wine. Vijay even arranged for wine from Delhi and the right glasses from his home. It was midnight by the time they got over and as they walked out to the car, Madhavi Raje remarked, "Bharat, you have given too much to him."

I knew that Madhavrao was just putting on an act. At the Old Boys' Night after the Centenary at Scindia they both even came up to the stage to dance to a song of Nitin Mukesh. Even Rohini and I were dragged on to the stage.

They were such a simple and courteous couple. Rohini and I were indeed lucky to have known them well enough to respect them, trust them and admire them. I had missed her wedding and was unfortunately unable to attend her cremation in Gwalior.

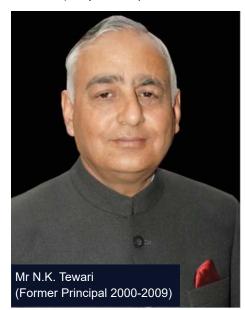
May her soul rest in peace in heaven with Madhavrao next to God almighty! And radiate joy to the people there as Madhavi Raje and Madhavrao gave to





#### My Colleague, Nirmal Mr A.N. Dar (Ex-Rn, 1958 : Former Principal : Madhav Awardee)

''जो आया है वो जाएगा, पर आशा यही है कि अच्छी यादें छोड़ कर जाएगा ।''



I first met Nirmal in Doon when he landed there to teach Chemistry. I developed an instant respect for him as I not only already had Dr. S.D. Singh, Mr B.G. Pitre and Mr Umesh Pande from Birla Vidya Mandir as my colleagues there, but FGP, the legendary Principal of the Scindia School, also, had led BVM for some years after leaving Scindia in 1943 before joining Victoria College. By sheer coincidence, Scindia had received Mr Shanti Sahi, Dr. S. D.Singh and me in succession as their head from Doon prior to Nirmal Tewari. The only difference is that Nirmal got elevated from the ranks and Mr Sahi, too, had served Scindia in the early 40's before going to Doon. We can see some connectivity between BVM, Doon and Scindia.

To my surprise, Nirmal shifted from Doon to Nabha and then landed on the Fort to join Scindia, an auspicious move for Scindia. From Dr. Singh, I regularly heard favourable reports on the performance of Nirmal while I was at Doon. He had distinguished himself as the 'Father of Computers' there and helped the School to use computers for accounts besides introducing Computer Science as a subject for CBSE at a time when I did not even recognize a computer!

During one of his regular sojourns in Doon, Dr. Singh remarked that his 'army bursar' had suddenly relinquished his chair. I took no time in suggesting that Scindia should have two bursars from within its staff, one for finances and the other one for administration: Thus came Dr. Ingle and Nirmal as the two bursars.

There was the interview in 1994 for the successor of Dr. Singh where I, too, was a candidate in a line of over 30 candidates. At the end of the long day of selection and I was the last candidate, the President of the Board called me in and said, "In the considered opinion of the Board, I invite you to head the Scindia School, your dream..."

As I came out of the room in Claridges for a breather, Nirmal cornered me and requested me to find a teacher for Chemistry. I wondered why this problem had not been up earlier on: How come I was to handle this problem when my appointment had not even been made public? Nirmal explained to me that the Scindia School had two Bursars from the Chemistry Department itself: Dr. Ingle was handling the administration, and also looking after Jyotiba and Nirmal was advising the School on finances besides running Mahadji House as also teaching Chemistry.

Either they should not have been Bursars or not been teachers. However, I have always favoured teachers to become bursars in schools like Scindia for they can empathise better with the community. In my very first meeting with Nirmal as the head of Scindia, I realised that Nirmal was an individual who was willing to think before a crisis developed.

My first meal as the head of Scindia was the farewell dinner to Dr. S. D. Singh hosted by Nirmal at his residence in Mahadji House where I got to meet his entire family. During my tenure at Scindia, I regarded it a privilege to visit his elderly parents, and get their blessings. They were all religious people and often reminded me of my own parents staying with me at Doon even though my family is not as religious as the Tewaris.

I have never liked to be late for any engagement and I do not seek to be driven short distances especially on a place like the Fort that is meant more for walking. As I was hurrying past Ram Raksha Chabutra for my first assembly, I saw Nirmal come out on his scooter from behind the hedge of Mahadji House. I took no time to hail him and request him for a lift. I knew that he was scandalized as was the rest of the community to carry his Principal on the pillion of his scooter on the very first morning.

I had enjoyed this exercise greatly as I could quietly announce to all the beholders that the Principal of any school is after all a mortal. Moreover, I had sent out a clear signal to the Scindia community that a school is neither driven by power nor driven by authority but driven by the goodwill of every member of the community, especially their human relationships. These relationships do not necessarily work out through any vertical hierarchy but very much through natural and genuine bonding and human warmth that brings about togetherness.

Slowly, I got to see the community at work: I got to see the distribution of responsibilities. Nirmal was not just teaching Chemistry and Computers or looking after Table Tennis or refereeing some of the matches and even being the time keeper for Cross Country runs but was also leading the Purchase Committee and making the time table. The last two are quite unpleasant jobs in any school but I did not get to hear any complaints about the distribution of load of work from him or from others about Nirmal's sense of fair play. On top of all this, he advised the Principal on accounts and finances. His plate was full and yet as the housemaster of Mahadji House he never came to me with any complaint nor did any Mahadjians or their parents complain to me about him. His relationship with his boys and their parents was built on trust and not fear!

Slowly, I withdrew some responsibilities from him to induct younger people so as to groom them for more senior roles in the school. I even went on to appoint Mr R.K. Kapoor and later on Mr Amar Shrivatava in the Computer Department so as to relieve Mr Tewari from the burden of teaching Computers. He had himself wanted it as he confessed that to teach C+ required renewed effort from him. Because of similar limitation with DTP, we got Mr Jitendra Jawale. I admired Nirmal's modesty and honesty. He knew that I could not even switch on a system, yet once I tried to intervene in the matters of the Computer Lab. Nirmal came up to me and looking straight into my eyes said, "Since when have you become the HOD of Computers so as to interfere with our affairs?" Prior to this something more disastrous had occurred. One morning, Nirmal breezed into my office, chucked a bunch of keys on my table and said,

"We cannot keep the Lab open till you get me the genuine software that may cost anything between 5-6 lacs." I did not know what softwares were but I did know that Nirmal was a genuine individual and I sanctioned the amount verbally.

A little later on I was at a Round Square lunch in Delhi where the His Highness, Srimant Madhavraoji, too, was present. He took me aside and said, "You should have consulted me before sanctioning such an amount." I informed him that the actual amount was just about 2 lacs and I had a choice of taking this risk or face a police raid. Nirmal knew what to do and I knew that he was an honest and God fearing individual.

Once something had gone wrong with the accounts of the boys and Nirmal rushed to me to tell me that the accounts could not be sent along with the boys as they were proceeding for their vacation. He also provided me with the solution: To give him three days with complete authority to work with the office staff. Sure enough, the accounts were dispatched in three days. Likewise, on another occasion, calculation for the Efficiency Shield had gone haywire. I had to request Nirmal to put his computer skills to some use so that the calculations were reliable and completed within the stipulated time. He assured me that there would be no problem. The results were ready on time, and his house, Mahadji, had not got the shield!

Even as a child I was never too happy with the distribution of boys to different houses in Scindia as a result of which just one house kept getting the Efficiency Shield year after year. I requested Nirmal to work out a system of equitable distribution of boys to different houses. I also shared with him how an Old Boy had walked into my office in my very first week and said, "Will you also continue to treat North Block as gaonwallas?" I really had to fathom the secret meaning of this statement. Boys who were not wanted anywhere else or were under some kind of a punishment in their original houses were accommodated in the North Block houses as if that was kalapani.

Someone even remarked that even a good housemaster would be rendered ineffective in the North Block houses, while in the...house of the Efficiency Shield, any housemaster would be a champion. Nirmal devised a fair

system. He did not favour even Mahadji House to induct the best boys even though he knew that I did not care to go into any details and just liked to sign the papers put up before me. He ensured that I, too, would get the list of the allotment of houses on the very morning of the arrival of the new boys. I dared not change the allotment. That is Nirmal: impartial and fearless.

I was never too comfortable with the boys from the Junior School coming to the General Store escorted by their house servants or the servants carrying the requirement of the boys in the Senior Section. Nirmal responded to my request to prepare an indent book for this purpose and for the boys themselves to come to the Store and collect their requirements.

I was trying to develop a system by which I would assign a housemaster six months before the position fell vacant. Once, it so happened that my colleagues felt that I would reverse my decision. Nirmal told me later on that had I changed my decision, he would have lost all his respect for me. I really did not realize that Nirmal respected me, and trusted me. Such issues have never bothered me.

Yes, I have always had great trust in the people I work with. I signed the budget papers and other such data after giving just broad guidelines and leaving it to my colleague who was helping me to complete the details. Very early in my tenure, I got Nirmal involved with the Board meetings, not just to prepare the papers but actually to answer queries regarding figures and finances during the meetings. Initially, I had to take permission from the President to call Nirmal to respond to the queries, but slowly the President understood my approach and Nirmal became a regular part of the proceedings from the beginning only. While I was 'Bharat' to the President, Nirmal was always 'Tewariji', so, 'Tewariji' helped me to implement the 5th Pay Commission so smoothly that I slept peacefully while he burnt the midnight oil: and there were no major protests of any kind at any level.

The School was having major concern with water and electricity problem despite our borewell and Mr Harpal Singh suggested that we reduce the strength of the School. I looked at Nirmal who nodded in agreement and that is how we closed down the

Junior School and fixed the strength of each house at 50. Nirmal was actually involved with all my decisions at all times, but not the only one.

I started feeling that even if I was not present at any meeting and, if Nirmal was conducting the meeting, I would certainly uphold his verdict. I had developed great faith in him. A time came when I trusted Nirmal even to complete the minutes of the Board meetings: If Nirmal had missed the meeting, he prepared the minutes based on the notes that I had scribbled down on my pad. By God's mercy, and Nirmal's efficiency, my Board was never uncomfortable to read these minutes prepared by my 'ghost-writer'. The fact is that even though Nirmal was so closely involved with the policy matters and decision making process with me, he was not ever undercutting or upstaging anybody nor did he bring any tales to me against anyone.

He sought no favours from me either. We were at an important Finance Committee meeting with Harish Bhargava in my office when Nirmal got the news of the death of his mother in Lucknow, yet he chose to stay on till the end of the meeting showing little emotion.

I wish I had some of the qualities and skills of Nirmal!

When asked for my views on Nirmal, I said to the Board at the final moment of the selection of my successor, "Even at this stage and age it would be a privilege for me to work under Nirmal as my Principal."

At my farewell in the OAT on the morning of April 24, 2000, I stated, "... what would I do without Mr Tewari now?"

Life is always unpredictable. Nirmal and his family like all others on the Fort have always had a special place in the heart of my family and we wish them all the very best in their life. They are all special people and have fulfilled their roles beautifully.



#### A Tribute to Mr N. K. Tewari Mr Pawan Verma

I first met Mr N.K. Tewari in New Delhi when I was called for an interview in 1999. Mr A N Dar was the Principal then. I was interviewed by Mr Dar and was called to school so that I could see the place where



I would work and live. During that meeting I got a chance to interact with Mr Tewari, whom I found very calm and composed and he didn't ask me even a single question. I came to school in April 1999 and was finally selected to join, nevertheless I joined in July 2000 due to several reasons.

When I came to join in 2000, Mr Tewari was the Principal and I was told that I had to report to him as Mr Dar had retired. I was slightly confused but Mr Dar told me that I would be happy and learn a lot while working under Mr Tewari. I was hesitant but I started working with my fullest abilities. Mr Tewari guided me on every step, when I lost my father in April 2001, he counselled me like a true well-wisher and helped me a lot at an emotional level.

On the very first day of my arrival on the school campus, I was invited by Mr Tewari for dinner at his residence. There I gotthe opportunity of meeting with Mrs Tewari and their daughter Aditi. Mr and Mrs Tewari were so welcoming, I can still feel the warmth even after 24 years. I still remember, after coming back from dinner, my mother told me that people are nice on the Fort and I will be happy and settle down soon. (I had never lived outside Delhi and without my parents before coming to School). During one of our relaxed conversations, I asked Mr Tewari what the mantra is of leading an institution like The Scindia School! Mr Tewari, with a smile on his face replied that he is trying to create an environment of mutual trust and mutual respect with space for everyone to grow and discover themselves. He further said he is trying to do the same with honesty, imagination and taking the school community forward with him. I have no hesitation in saying that Mr Tewari was successful in creating an environment of mutual trust and respect and ample opportunities were created for the staff for selfgrowth.

With time I got to know Mr Tewari and his family closely. It is that connectivity, both at professional and personal levels, that made the bond rock solid. I used to work during late hours in the office and assist Mr Tewari, but I was at so much ease that I didn't even realise that I had to go back home. Same was the case with Sir. Mr Tewari was the one who told me to mix up with the people and I remember that he took me to the Volley-ball field where most of the staff members used to assemble and play for about an hour. He used to sit in the field, watch us playing. From there on, I started enjoying



school life as well as my professional journey.

I found a great boss in Mr Tewari and it is my fervent wish for people to be exposed to having a great boss at least once in their lives. I have been fortunate to have a few over the years at The Scindia School during a span of 24 years. Mr Tewari was loved by many and everyone had their favourite stories and quotes of him. He taught me how to interact with the internal and external clients with patience. His students almost used to worship him and parents used to follow his advice as they had full faith in his fine sense of judgement.

He gave the staff opportunities and guided them to utilise them to the fullest. I observed that the teachers who were mentored by him have achieved success and a lot of respect in the education field. That is what we all want. His beautiful memories will continue to provide comfort to all of us during our difficult times. With caring thoughts and loving memories.



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