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EDITORIAL

"Good master, good cat. Indifferent master, reclusive cat"

After the summer vacation another week of hectic activity is ahead of us. We will have a line up of activities and term full of creative space, examination pace and new challenges waiting to be explored. The heat has given a lucid way to go and the globules of rain are unveiling its countenance. School is back to its original rim and as freshers step in the campus, it's a gala time for the whole school. Football practices are in full swing and the smell of ripe mangoes tickling our noses makes each one reach cloud nine. The fragrance of rain falling on dry ground, the farmers in their most blissful mood as rain God makes its appearance, is a pleasant sight to watch and observe. As August, 'the month of monsoon' is approaching, hope your mackintosh and umbrellas are by your side. We would like to thank the student editors Avinash Kumar, Nasar Ahmed, Suryakant Sharma, Shantanu Agarwal, Ankur Bhangar, Vishal Singh, Reema Khanna, Piyush kalwar and Yamini Pandey for their services rendered. They are finding it difficult to manage time owing to the pressure of studies (all class XII and X students). At the same time we welcome the new members of the Editorial Board and wish them Good luck. As life moves on; the newsletter will accompany its ever-changing pace and we hope you acknowledge, participate in and support its endeavours.

SCHOOL NEWS

12th May: English Essay Writing Competition took place. In category A, Pratibha Sharma won the first position, Ruhani Singh Mann stood second while Rohit Ranjan and Devansh Tyagi were declared third. In category B, Vaibhav Dugar stood first, Yamini Pandey was declared second while Piyush Kalwar won the third position. In category C, Sahil Khan won the first position, Taranveer Singh was declared second while Sachin Sharma won the third position.

13th May: Hindi Elocution for juniors was held. In Group A(I to IV), Sakchi Sharma(IV) won the first position, Tanu Bisht(II) stood second while Megha Kesari(III) was declared third. In Group B(classes V and VI), Ashwini Kumar(VI) won the first position, Chetan Raj Singh(VI) was declared second while Pranjal Prasun (VI) stood third.

1st July: Students returned after summer vacations. After a tedious one and a half months of every new academic session, the summer vacation provides an ideal opportunity for the students to recharge their batteries. We are back after having rejuvenated, revived and recharged ourselves.

6th July: A workshop on career counseling was held for classes 9th to 12th. The resource person was Mr. Hari Shankar Prasad. He provided us with some useful information on the major career streams like Medical, Law, Management and Engineering. He gave us a detailed account of the best colleges and

universities in India. Our Chairman Sir, Mr. R.K. Sinha graced the occasion. We shall look forward to such presentations regularly.

8th July: An exquisite statue of Goddess Saraswati sculpted by our Art teacher Mr. A. Kabiraj was placed in the school fountain. We dedicated our prayers to Goddess Saraswati.

9th July: Representatives of each class attended the mess committee meeting. It has been decided to introduce new dishes suiting the tastes and preferences of students and also to improve the quality of food.

13th July: Cine club has been formed. The very first show was of 'My Fair Lady' based on the text 'Pygmalion'. This step is not only entertaining but also educative. Students of form XI went for cycling escorted by Mr. T.N. Bera and Mr. Himanshu.

14th July: A friendly cricket match was played between VIII and X on 13th July. Class X won the match by 10 runs.

17th July: An educative excursion was organized for the students of grade X and XI to 'Central Soil And Water Conservation Research And Training Institute' and 'Wadia Institute of Himalayan Geology'. The trip was enjoyable and fruitful.

20th July: We followed the maxim 'Adventure is the spice of life' when students of class XII undertook a cycling tour to Paonta Sahib accompanied by Mr. Gaur and Mr. M.D. Joshi.

22nd July: Regional and Foreign language classes (Bengali, Urdu, Malayalam, French and German) have started.

23rd July: Our happiness knew no bounds when two music systems were installed in our hostels donated by Afzal Siddiqui, an ex-student of the school.

25th July: A friendly soccer match was played between I.P.S. and Vikas Bharti School, Gorakhpur. It was an interesting match. The interest in the match

was intensified after the monsoon showered its magic. In the initial half none of the teams was able to score any goal but in the later half, Kushal Upreti of I.P.S. team scored a goal, leading our school to win.

26th July: In the morning, a friendly basketball match was played between the visiting Vikas Bharti School, Gorakhpur and the host team; I.P.S. The host team won the match by 37 points.

The best way a man can learn lessons for life is through sports and games, where only the fittest survive. Games are a major attraction at I.P.S. The games field is among the busiest parts of the school. Cricketers, footballers, swimmers, gymnasts and athletes, our student body has them all. While Cricket and football attract greater number of students, others are gaining popularity. The huge, grassy, leveled piece of land in the campus makes it evident that sports are an integral part of I.P.S. Practice for Council Football Tournament is going on in full swing. We welcome M r. M.C.Vergese (Economics Department), Mr. W. Lazur (Chemistry Department), Mr. K. Sumesh Soman(Sanskrit Department) and Mr. Arun Gusain (Warden cum P.T.I.) and look forward to their long and fruitful stay.

The school is proud to have 100% results in ISC with Moneesh Hamal scoring 88%. Rajat Sood scored 86%, Shina Gupta scored 84.5%, Shruti Bawa scored 82.5%, Shikhar Jain scored 81.75%, Rajesh Kumar scored 81.25%, and Ram Chandra Puri scored 80.75%. The aggregate was 75.21%.

In ICSE (class X) Samaan Thapa scored 88% while Surya Batra, Mehul Naithani and Siddharth Sethi scored 86.8%, Palash Yadav scored 85.2%, Deeksha Jain scored 83.6%, Amit Kumar scored 83.2%, Ranak Singh Mann scored 81%, Vipin Choudhary scored 80.2%. The aggregate was 70.54%.

Kudos to Naman Jain and Shikhar Jain for being selected At BIT, Bhilai through AIEEE. Congratulations!! We hope, they go from strength to strength, in final countdown.

DID YOU KNOW

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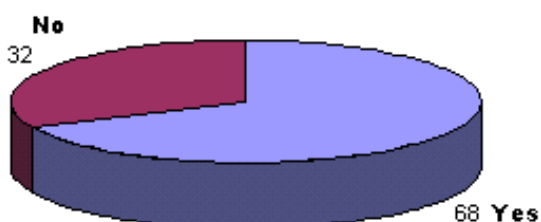
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-Ayush Agarwal
XI Com.

POLL OF THE MONTH

Should community service club be introduced in I.P.S.?



Q.1 Which was the first structure in Europe with the facility of a lift?



Q.2 Name this person and what did he invent?

Interviews and Innerviews

An Interview with Rajat Kr. Sinha, student of XI Sci.

M.N. - Tell about yourself.

R.K.S. - I am Rajat Kumar Sinha, former student of D.A.V. Public School, Patna.

M.N. - How did you come to know about this school?

R.K.S. - As I have secured 97% marks in the X-Boards Exam 2008, I hovered round the Net in search of a boarding school with atmosphere and facilities conducive to learning .Thus IPS serves best of all.

M.N. -Tell us something about your previous school.

R.K.S. - Previously I was a student of D.A.V. Public School, Patna. The school has adopted the Vedic pattern of education.

M.N. - How are you enjoying your stay over here?

R.K.S. - Till now, I have really enjoyed the life of boarding here. Its Faculty is nice as well.

M.N. - What are your views on co-curricular activities?

R.K.S. - It's really helpful to generate the quality of self-independence and representation among the students and thus making them a complete personality. As for myself, I am involved in One-Act Play.

M.N. - What have you planned after the career orientation programme?

R.K.S. - As I want to be a technocrat, I have planned to concentrate on my first goal i.e. to crack out IIT-JEE Exam.

M.N. - What is the secret of your success (scoring 97%)?

R.K.S. - (Slightly smiling) don't think anything is impossible. Humans have enormous power hidden within them. The need is to explore and expose that. That's the secret to be successful in life.

An Interview with Dr. V. Manikikiran, teacher of Biology and E.V.S.

S.B. - Sir please tell about yourself.

V.M. - I am a God loving and student caring individual. I am Post Graduate from Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Learning (Deemed University) with a doctorate degree in plant tissue culture and I am specialized for teaching pre-medical students.

S.B. - What are your views about North India and IPS?

V.M. - I have been attached to this region since my childhood so I find everything going my way. As far as IPS is concerned I find the campus and environment very grand and people are very helpful here. Students are very loving and I have never felt I am away from my home .If we have to take the school to heights then we must give priority to academics. Hence there is a need to focus on Academics.

S.B. -Comment on the extra-coaching classes for PMT and Career Counseling.

V.M. - It has been conceived this year and it is in its gestation period, the fruit of which we would receive in June 2010 and thus I request the IPS family to pray for the best results. For standard IX and X foundation classes have been started in which they are taught the root concepts for future application.

S.B. - What new things would you like to start in the school?

V.M. - I am a Shukla Yasurveda Pandit so I would like to start the Vedam chanting sessions at least once in a week during assembly.

VOCABULARY SECTION:

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| • A disease widely epidemic | pandemic |
| • A disease confined to a particular district or place | endemic |
| • A disease affecting widely scattered groups or people | sporadic |
| • A medicine to counteract poison | antidote |
| • Confinement to one place to avoid spread of infection | quarantine |
| • To cut off a part of a person's body which is infected | amputate |
| • Affecting the lungs | pulmonary |
| • A forecast of the result of a disease or illness | prognosis |
| • To disinfect by smoke | fumigate |
| • The mark or scar left after a wound is healed | cicatrix, cicatrice |

HAPPINESS

"The intricate lore of love has gone part, the summer is coming fast.

I saw myself arising from the womb of stress;
the whirlpool of happiness is my dress."

Happiness just cannot be bought by earthly possessions. An exotic car, huge bank balance, the interiors of a beautifully carved bungalow just cannot knock happiness on the door. These all are just superficial expressions of ecstasy. Happiness is an unusual gift, it comes wrapped without anyone being christened on it.

A Homo-sapien may consider the opulent pleasures of life as happiness; a mango tree may consider happiness as itself sashaying in the cool breeze of the new dawn; a bird may consider the shout of yoke in the firmament as happiness. Happiness varies from person to person, and keeps changing from time to time.

No Dollar, no Pound, no Franc can buy happiness. It seems to be a rhetoric act which comes on simultaneously. A snowman may define happiness as "giving a warm hug to the snowwoman and melting into her arms". A pure sheet of ice; reaming like white serenity; breathing peace and contentment may make the gargantuan horizon, smile as it stretches.

The first radiance of the new dawn, the first dew drops on the leaves, the smouldering glow of the sunset-all bring happiness to our head and heart, body and soul, ourselves and our senses.

A schoolteacher seeing his pupil progress, the mother bird seeing its new baby flapping its wings along the strong gull, fighting for existence, a tree seeing its seedling sprouting, a lioness seeing her cubs charging at their prey for survival, makes one's heart leap up. A father seeing his child grow up, a mother providing her lucid shade to her infants, the right of vagrants splashing in water, a piece of leaf trotting along to the tunes of nature, feel their kind, their share of happiness being played through them.

It makes one reach cloud nine, when one fluctuates with it. "It cannot be sold nor can be bought by a heap of gold."

"Happiness is like a bar of chocolate; the more you distribute, the more people flock around you."

Ecstasy is the companion of happiness. Both were born on the same day, but happiness being the elder one quells ecstasy.

A beggar may find happiness at the sound of a coin being dropped in his bowl, but a millionaire may not find happiness, even at the sound of million dollar notes crackled.

Some people are envious when they see others happy. They throw a very negative character on the dark world below.

"Happiness is poking a finger in your nose, you find it good when you do it, but find others disgusting when they repeat."

The theory of the world around has been explained, but my theory states that Happiness lies in helping the downtrodden, being faithful to your parents and country, being happy with what one possesses.

I may not be able to follow the eight fold path of the Buddha, but my three fold path may lead you to the gates of Heaven, to the bright sky of pure joy and expressions.

"Feel me, express me, keep me under your eyes, don't waste me, and read me, because tomorrow under the graveyard when you lie dead you will need me", says Happiness.

I'll be there in the prism of thee, "Mr. Happiness" you'll have both the bites of me, the largest gulp and the biggest vacuum.

- Vaibhav Duggar (X A)

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