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Editorial

I expect to pass through this world but once; any good thing therefore that I can do, or any kindness that I can show to any fellow creature, let me do it now; let me not neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again. Of chocolates and joyrides, of colourful ribbons and sand-castles, childhood is the most charming part of our lives. Every day is a children's day for the child. It is the adults who need such reminders, for we often forget that children are children, in our anxiety to see them grow up to our expectations. We also tend to forget the child in us. This year, on Children's Day, let us look at the little ones around us with fresh eyes. What can we do for them, to add to their innate joy and plant a few seeds of good Sanskars. Looking a little beyond- at children who are not so privileged, children who sell flowers and vegetables or work in tea shops, inspite of all the legislation to prevent child labour, can we take on the commitment to restore their childhood to them surely, many of us can do something to make the world a better place for children, can't we?

School News

Athletics

Oct.29 to 31: The annual inter house athletics began with the opening march past led by the school sports captain Ashish Kumar followed by the vice captain Rajveer Chaudhary holding the school flag. Ruhani Singh Maan was declared the best athlete amongst the Jr. Girls' while Yamini Pandey was declared the best athlete amongst the Sr. Girls. Gaurav Raj, Vaibhav Bhatt, Ravi Ranjan and Mandeep Singh were declared best athlete in U-12, U-14, U-16, and Above-16 respectively. Vindhayachal house won the overall championship whereas the march past trophy was awarded to Vindhyachal house with Gurpreet leading the squad. The children proved their mettle in various events and succeeded in putting up a spectacular show. Mrs. Kiran Kashyap(Principal- Children Academy) and Mr. Prem Kashyap(Director/ Principal- Pestle Weed College, Dehradun) with their gracious presence gave away the prizes to the winners and encouraged the other participants. We are indeed thankful to Mrs. and Mr. Kashyap for sparing their valuable time and shared their experiences with the students.

Nov.3 and 4: IPS students performed remarkably well in the District Athletic meet held at the Sports College, Raipur.

Besides winning the prestigious 'March Past Trophy', Kunal kumar won a Bronze in Javelin throw, Mandeep Singh won a Bronze in Triple Jump and Gurpal won a Gold in Discus throw and a Bronze in Shot-put.

Marut Bahuguna, Saurav Raj, Gaurav Raj and Ashwani won Silver in 4x50m relay.

Amit Kumar, Deepu Kushwaha and Aamir Raza secured 4th. position in 200 m, 800 m, and 100 m race respectively. Also Antariksh Raj and Shiva Bharadwaj secured 5th. position in Shot-put.

Nov.18: IPS hosted D.K Sinha Memorial Inter School English Debate Competition. Mayur School, Ajmer, SOS Herman Gmeiner School, Bhimtal, Doon Cambridge School, Pestle Weed College, Selaqui World School and The Indian Public School participated in the competition. Vyoma Mehra and Vidhi Jamar, both of Mayur School were declared the best and the second best speaker. Ranak Singh Mann of The Indian Public School won the third position. Mayur School Ajmer won the Trophy.

Oct.21: Our school played a friendly match against Abhimanyu Academy. Our students put in their best

but lost the match by 12 runs. Siddharth Thapliyal and Moneesh Himlal scored 66 and 25 runs resp.

Inter Council School's Cricket

Nov.14: In the council schools cricket tournament which was on the knock out basis, our school played their first match against Cambrian Hall on St. Joseph Academy's ground.

We won the toss and elected to bat and made 176 for the loss of 4 wickets. Moneesh and Kunal Chandela scored 49 and 47 not out resp. Vaibhav Bhatt took 3 wickets, Rajveer and Chetan took 2 wickets each. We won the match by a huge margin of hundred runs.

Nov. 16: We played our second match against Riverdale High school. After winning the toss, we elected to bat and made 189 runs. Hiren scored 67 and Moneesh scored 32 runs. Riverdale were all out for 108. Naman took three wickets. We won the match by 81 runs and entered the semifinals.

Nov.18: The semi-finals were played between our school and St. Thomas- last year's joint winner of the tournament. St. Thomas won the toss and elected to bat and was all out for 105 in just 24 overs. Naman took 4 wickets, Baskar and Chetan Patel took 3 and 2 wickets resp. Hiren scored 40 and Siddharth Thapliyal scored 30 not out. Our school came out with flying colours and won the match by seven wickets. We had reached the finals.

Nov. 19: The finals were played between our school and St. Joseph Academy- last year's joint winner.

St. Joseph Academy won the toss and elected to bat. They scored 180 runs all out. Naman, Rajveer and Chetan took two wickets each. It was an unfortunate day as we gave too many extras, can one imagine more than 60 in a 25 over match, but that is cricket, when every day cannot be yours.

Reeling under tremendous pressure, we lost the finals by 18 runs. Siddharth scored 38, Moneesh 25 and Bijendra also scored quick 24 runs which at times gave us some hope of a win.

It was a great tournament, as we had reached the finals for the first time, where IPS's performance was even commended by the Principal of the host school as well as the winning team. Well done IPS cricket team and keep it up.

CROSS COUNTRY

Nov.20: Inter house cross country took place. Juniors had to run 3 kms while the seniors ran 6 kms. Amongst the Juniors(boys)- Kumar Amit bagged 3rd followed by Kunal Chandela 2nd and Vaibhav Bhatt won the race.

Amongst senior (boys)- Abid bagged third, Gautam Tanwar second and Deepu Kushwa won the race. In senior (Girls)- Deeksha earned third position, Yamini second and Rinkle won the race. Over house positions- Aravali:4, Vindhychal:3, Shivalik:2. Well done Nilgiri for winning the trophy.

EXCERPTS FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S REPORT ON 7TH FOUNDER'S DAY

Dear Mr. R.K.Sinha, Chairman, IPS, Mrs. Sinha, Member, Board of Governors, Rituraj, Pallavi, Rivoli, distinguished guests and parents!

I welcome you all to our 7th Founder's Day celebrations. The school seeks your constant cooperation, goodwill and support to keep progressing along the right track.

Today is a special day when the whole school family wishes our beloved Chairman, Mr. R.K.Sinha, a very Happy Birthday. On this

occasion we invoke the choicest blessings of God to be showered on him. May he keep guiding the school to grow from strength to strength.

This is also an occasion for unfolding the journey we have completed for the session 2006-2007 in academics, sports and extra-curricular activities.

Academics

In 2006-2007, twenty three students appeared for class XII, all were awarded pass certificate. Neha Gandhi of Commerce stream with 88 % and

Pushkar of Science stream with 84.25% were top scorers.

Thirty Nine students appeared for class X, thirty six were awarded pass certificate. Anurag with 89.8% was the top scorer.

We are not happy with our results but are putting an extra hour to come true to your expectations. To meet these challenges we have not only traced the weak students but also the talented ones, so that we improve in quality also. You will be pleased to know that considerable measures have been taken to improve the standards of our children:

School academic council has taken some effective steps which have benefited the students. Introduction of continuous assessment report followed by the discussions on the performance of each child by the teachers together has definitely made the students aware of their grades. This report-card is well received by the parents.

More exposure has been provided to the students and the teachers. They have been encouraged to participate in different workshops and competitions.

Our students participated in the various inter school competitions and won accolades.

Surya Batra and Deeksha Jain participated in the Frank Anthony Memorial All-India Inter School Debate Competition 2007 category-II, stage-I at Lucknow on 27th April. Surya Batra was declared as the 2nd best speaker and school being 2nd in the competition qualified for stage-II. Surya and Harshita Thakur did commendably well on Aug. 3, 2007 at Lucknow in the stage-II of the same competition.

The School organized Frank Anthony Memorial All-India Inter School Debate Competition 2007 category-II stage-II on 3rd August. Welham Girls' High School, Dehradun won the trophy. Mr J A Mason was the Chief Guest on this occasion.

On 31st August, Kunal Kumar and Ramchandra Puri represented the school in All India Sawan Declamation(Hindi and English) organized by Bhavan's Sawan Public School, New Delhi. Kunal was declared the third best speaker and the school stood 4th among 20 schools.

'S P Sinha Memorial Hostel' was inaugurated by Mr Prakash Pant, Minister for Parliament Affairs, Govt.

of Uttarakhand on 31st July. This new house having inbuilt prep rooms, the residential tutors staying inside and the independent offices for the housemasters and the tutors has shown a considerable change in the overall behavior pattern of our children. Seniors started having extended prep hours under the direct supervision of the tutors and the housemasters.

Self appraisal has been introduced. We feel that self realization coupled with understanding of one's strengths and weaknesses is the first step to success.

The school newsletter is published regularly and I have observed that students have started contributing to this beautiful production of expression. The school newsletter is available on our web site also.

Scholar's blazers for the students and special citation and awards for the staff has been introduced. Scholar's blazers will be awarded to those doing very well not only in academics but in academic related activities also.

Pt. Bhanu Pratap Shukla Memorial Debate/Declamation was organized on 17th August .In Debate Rinkle Agnihotri stood 1st and Declamation Tuli Kabiraj stood 1st.

On 16th September, the school participated in Hindi Debate in DBS College. Piyush Kalwar won a consolation prize.

The school organized S P Sinha Memorial Cricket Tournament for Under 13. 20 teams from 9 different states participated in the tournament. The finals of the tournament was played between Abhimanyu Academy, Dehradun and Delhi Wanderers. Abhimanyu Academy won the tournament, a beautiful trophy and a cash prize of Rs. 51000/-. Delhi Wanderers remained runners up with a trophy and cash prize of Rs. 25000/-, St. Michael, Bhopal earned 3rd place and a prize of Rs. 15000/- whereas Basawa International School, Delhi remained 4th with a cash prize of Rs. 10000/-

. Siddharth Thapliyal remained the highest scorer and was declared the batsman of the series.

Mr. RK Sinha, the Chairman of The Indian Public School and sponsor of the tournament declared another four major prizes of Rs. 5000/- each to the man of the series, best batsman, best bowler and the best fielder of the tournament. We are thankful to Mr S K Bansal , International umpire, who helped us a lot to run the tournament smoothly and successfully. IPS reached the quarter-finals.

Inter Public Schools' Gymnastics Competition was hosted by the school in which seven outstation teams participated. Our students won seven medals in different categories and IPS was runners up whereas Moti Lal Nehru School of Sports, Rai won the competition. Deppak Thapa of IPS was declared as the best Gymnast. Brig. Naresh Rathore was the chief guest on the occasion. We are thankful to Capt. Verma, who had sent his girl-students to display an electrifying and inspiring performance.

'4th Touch Rugby Nationals for men/women and school students' was conducted at our school from 28-31st December. IPS students represented the state of Uttarakhand in the men section and won a Bronze medal out of 16 teams. We won the school students (boys) competition and were 4th in the women section. Mandeep Singh and Pranay Kumar were selected to represent the country. Mr Hira Singh Bisht, Transport Minister of Uttarakhand, was the Chief Guest on the opening ceremony while the Chief Guest for the Prize giving ceremony was H.E the Governor of Uttarakhand Shri *Sudarshan* Agarwal.

We reached the quater finals in Basket-ball and, semi-finals in Soccer and cricket (council matches).

I would like to commend Harish Rana (School Sports Captain) who was excellent on the play field and encouraged his team mates to perform to their fullest. We had even wonderful sportsmen like-Sameer Sharma, Pranay Kumar, Vishal Patel, Kashif Shaikh and Deep Chauhan. The school is proud to award for the first time in the history of IPS Games Blazers to Vishal Patel and Pranay Kumar which they will receive today from the Chief Guest.

I take this opportunity to express my deep appreciation to Mrs. And Mr. Sinha, our Chairman and member Board of Governors, Mr. Rituraj for their keen interest in the growth of the school. I need not to say that we look forward to their continuous support and guidance.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to the teachers and members of the administrative staff for their help and cooperation. I am sure that with their hard work, dedication and enthusiasm, we will see the school reaching greater heights. My thanks are also due to the dining hall and other support staff who have rendered valuable service to school. It will be unjust if I do not convey my sincere thanks to the parents who are always keeping us vigilant about the progress of the child and the school.

Thank you very much one and all.

IPS family regrets the sudden demise of Shri Gyanendra Pandey, husband of Mrs. Bharti Pandey. It is an irreparable loss not only to the family but to all at IPS. We all pray to God to grant peace to the departed soul. May all the dear ones have the strength to bear the loss.

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