

# Endeavour

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# Foreword

My Dear Parents and Students,



I am pleased to pen down this letter as we bring to you the Spring Issue of Endeavour. As we commence the new Academic Year of 2023-24, we are proud to be also commencing our first batch of Grade XII. We wish the very best to every Grade XI graduate who will now head into one of the most important years of their education.

I also wish the very best to all our Grade X students who are currently appearing for the CBSE Board Examination. May they pass their examinations with flying colours as they take on specific streams that will lay the foundation to their future careers.

Every success story, every scintillating performance, every holistic activity and every award ceremony is not a miracle but is the result of the individual and cohesive hard work and persistence of every student, faculty and parent. I thank you for laying the bricks and mortar to the ever-rising wall of our school's success.

Speaking of victory, I am pleased to announce that we have successfully applied for the QS-I Gauge International Rating System. This will not only bring us to the forefront but will also bring us at par with other educational institutes on the international stage.

A summary of the past year gleans with triumph as our students, faculty and school were part of a variety of prestigious events and competitions. Students partook in the PICT Model United Nations; Harshita Kakade of Grade X became the first woman athlete from Pimpri Chinchwad to be selected for Artistic Gymnastics in Khelo India 2022; not only were our students selected to represent us and India at the RoboCup International Competition in Bangkok in May 2022, but we are proud to state that S.B. Patil Public School hosted the RoboCup Junior Regions and Nationals in January 2023 in which many of our students won. Our students will also be part of the competition at the international level.

We could not be more elated to announce that the faculty and students from S.B. Patil Public School won the first prizes in the jingle, drawing and street play categories in the PCMC B-Kshetra Karyalaya Chinchwad Competition. Even students from our pre-primary and primary sections did us proud as Raghav Inamdar from the pre-primary section; and Shravya Ambekar from Grade 1 secured meritorious ranks in the Chinmaya Mission Geeta Chanting Competition.

Our students even partook and won in the Sanskar Jatra 2023 Competition that witnessed over a thousand students from all over PCMC; and 21 of them even had published books in the Bribooks Young Author's Fair.

In a grand event, S.B. Patil Public School held the Investiture Ceremony (2022-23) in July of 2022 wherein students were elected to form a complete Student Cabinet. Our school further went on to organise twinning programmes with a local school. The inter-school collaboration saw a great deal of knowledge exchange for both students and faculty alike. Speaking of faculty, many of our faculty, teaching and non-teaching were recipient to prestigious awards including an honorary doctorate; and even had their research papers published.

As an institution, our school has been laureled with many awards in the past year including the Greenest School Award and a prize of Rs. 1 lakh by GreenLine for our eco-friendly practices.

When we speak of the holistic development of students and faculty, the activities and events stand testament to the fact that S.B. Patil School ensures no stone is left unturned. Our faculty are on the road to constant improvement and development to ensure that they, as educators, live up to the challenges education in this day and age poses.

All this is not an individual effort but a cumulative one: our students who study so hard and partake in multiple activities; our faculty, who work around-the-clock to better their teaching standards; our parents who, through EPTAs and PTMs, lend their valuable advice and support; and of course our ever-supportive management and Board of Trustees: Mr. Dnyaneshwar P. Landge, Chairman; Ms. Padma M. Bhonsle, Vice Chairperson; Mr. Vitthal S. Kalbhor, Secretary; Mr. Shantaram D. Garade, Treasurer; Mr. Harshwardhan S. Patil, Trustee; and Dr. Girish M. Desai, Executive Director who strive to ensure the wholesome and continuous development of our students, faculty and school.

With this, I bring this letter to a close, hoping that you all have a great read and a blessed year ahead.

With the warmest wishes,



Dr. Bindu Saini  
Principal

# Preface

To Our Ardent and Dearest Readers,



As Editor, it is with pride that I bring to you the Spring Issue of Endeavour. As we begin the new Academic Year of 2023-24, my best wishes go out to every student who are preparing for their end-term examinations, ready to graduate to the succeeding grade, and especially our Grade X CBSE Board Examination students who are in the midst of their examinations. May the paths you undertake as you head on the higher grades be strewn with the stars of success.

I wish to bring to every reader's notice that 2023 onwards, we shall be publishing this news magazine biannually: in October/ November, which will be our Fall Issue; and in March/ April, which will be our Spring Issue. This will provide you the ample opportunity to leaf through these pages leisurely during the winter and summer breaks.

You all will be pleased to know that we have also formed three interesting clubs to those that already existed. These include, the 'Blogging Club', the 'On Air Club' and the 'Library Club'. To elaborate on these briefly, members (both students and faculty) will now be able to write blogs on topics of their choice. This would not only help them see their work published (after a review, of course) but also bring out their passion for writing.

From the first week of April 2023, members of the On Air Club will announce the week's news (at S.B. Patil Public School, and the world over) and other interesting information every Friday. The prime objective of the club will not only be to broadcast useful news and information to every student and staff but also provide a nonpartisan public speaking platform to everyone regardless of confidence of aptitude. In fact, we shall be relaying and broadcasting news in English, Hindi, Marathi and one regional/international language. Of course, we will get creative and include competitions and other activities in the above two clubs.

The Library Club will provide its members (and everyone else) opportunities to take part in reading competitions, book fairs, write book reviews, and a lot more. Should you wish to pen down your thoughts or lend your opinion about a book you recently read, please follow the links provided below:

Blog: <https://padlet.com/sbppsb/blog>

Book Reviews: <https://padlet.com/sbppsb/book-reviews>

We hope and pray that with your best wishes and support, we will be able to do all things planned to ensure our students have a fun-filled and wholesome learning experience.

With all this said, I bring this Editorial to a close with the utmost confidence that you all will be filled with great elation as you read about all the activities and accomplishments of our students, faculty and institute as a whole.

I am immensely grateful to every person who has contributed to this publication in every way: the students and every faculty member: academics and administration. Ever since the beginning, we have and always will strive to better our publication, not just with the stories that fill these pages but also in the manner in which they are narrated, and thus, my whole-hearted thanks goes out to the Media and Publishing Department's News Magazine Committee, who have painstakingly helped draft, edit and proofread this publication.

Wishing you all a great read!

In earnest,



Dr. Rohit Sarkar  
Media and Publishing Department Executive | Writer and Editor-in-Chief

PART I

SPECIAL ASSEMBLIES AND EVENTS

# Chapter 1

## The Quote that Goes, “Two Birds...”: Winning the Pune Times Mirror and the Times School Survey Awards



In an astounding win, S.B. Patil Public School won two Pune Times Mirror awards: Best School in National Curriculum - PCMC and Best School in Academic Excellence - PCMC; and the Times School Survey for being the most Technologically Advanced School in the PCMC.

The holistic development of our students and faculty has always been an innate part of our creed. The faculty - both academic and administrative - work painstakingly to ensure our students receive the best education, and surpass our and their own expectations be it in academia, co and extra-curriculars.

Our school has always aimed to be equipped with state-of-the-art facilities, provide the best tech and scientifically advanced resources to the students, and have our faculty trained to be tech-savvy with respect to the latest software.

This win is yet another laurel wreath crowned upon our head which we accept with pride and yet with humility for this achievement is not the sole effort of one individual; it is the culmination of every one, every stakeholder, every member of the S.B. Patil Public School family.



We owe our gratitude to the principal, Dr. Bindu Saini; vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda; primary coordinator, Ms. Shubhangi Kulkarni; the section coordinators: Ms. Nirupama Kale, Ms. Vandana Sangle, Ms. Archana Prabhune, Ms. Payal Nihalani and Ms. Nayana Taru; and the administrative officer, Mr. Manish Dhekale for painstakingly striving to mentor every faculty and student.

Our heartiest thank you to every student for working so diligently; every teacher and faculty member for their meticulous and hard work – without their effort, this win would not have been possible. A mighty thanks goes out to the parents as well who have worked in cohesion with us with such patience and understanding.

And our wholesome gratitude to the PCET management and Board of Trustees: Mr. Dnyaneshwar P. Landge, Chairman; Ms. Padma M. Bhonsle, Vice Chairperson; Mr. Vitthal S. Kalbhor, Secretary; Mr. Shantaram D. Garade, Treasurer; Mr. Harshwardhan S. Patil, Trustee; and Dr. Girish M. Desai, Executive Director who every day, every waking moment ensure that all institutes under the umbrella of the PCET excel in education.

## Chapter 2

# Rightfully Deserved: Laurelled with the Shiksha Gaurav Puraskar



The 4<sup>th</sup> EduLeaders Summit 2022 was held in Mumbai on December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022. The summit acknowledges, recognises and honours principals and head of educational institutes for their contribution towards the advancement of academics.

On December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022, the principal of S.B. Patil Public School, Dr. Bindu Saini was awarded the Shiksha Gaurav Puraskar 2022 at the event for her exemplary contribution towards the education sector.

A veteran in the field of education, Dr. Saini has spent over 27 years in the field. She has taught at all levels: from Nursery to Grade XII, has been part of the administration. She has invested years of expertise to oversee and contribute to the development of educational institutes academically, co and extra-curricularly, and infrastructurally.



We, on behalf of everyone here at S.B. Patil Public School, give a standing ovation to Dr. Saini on this meritorious win. She has, since day one, ensured that the school strives to live up to its vision to nurture, educate and enrich young minds to realise their potential as world citizens”.

Being an exemplar herself, she has been a role model to every faculty member showing us all that no one should cease to grow and develop themselves personally and professionally. For all this and more, she rightfully deserves this win which is just one of the many laurel wreaths that awaits this tenacious educator.

We also thank our PCET trustees: Mr. Dnyaneshwar Landge, Chairman; Ms. Padma Bhonsle, Vice Chairperson; Mr. V.S. Kalbhor, Secretary; Mr. Shantaram Garade, Treasurer; Mr. Harshwardhan Patil, Trustee; and Dr. Girish Desai, Executive Director for their unrelenting support, incessant guidance and unflinching belief in us all.

## Chapter 3

### Besting it at the Elets Education Innovation Summit 2022



On Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022, the Elets Education Innovation Summit 2022 was organised and held at the Novotel Pune Hotel with the objective to honour principals and heads of schools from across Pune.

Representing S.B. Patil Public School was principal, Dr. Bindu Saini. Dr. Saini was also speaker at the panel discussion wherein she spoke on early childhood education.

Dr. Saini, who is a veteran in the field of education for over 27 years, was bestowed with the Outstanding Contribution to School Education award; as well as the Eminent Speaker on Early Childhood Education Award.

From every student and staff at S.B. Patil Public School, we congratulate Dr. Saini for these two glorious wins.

We also thank our PCET trustees: Mr. Dnyaneshwar Landge, Chairman; Ms. Padma Bhonsle, Vice Chairperson; Mr. V.S. Kalbhor, Secretary; Mr. Shantaram Garade, Treasurer; Mr. Harshwardhan Patil, Trustee; and Dr. Girish Desai, Executive Director for their ne'er-ceasing guidance and support.



## Chapter 4

### Laurelled with a Golden Wreath: Dr. Saini Decorated with an Honorary Doctorate in Education



It is with great pride and trumpets aloud we affirm that our principal, Dr. Bindu Saini has been bestowed with yet another title to credit her name: An Honorary Doctorate in Education from the International Internship University, New South Wales, Australia.

with a BSc (M), BEd, MEd, a PhD in Education, MPM, and an MA and MPhil in English. She also has a course in Emotional Intelligence from the prestigious Yale University, Connecticut, United States, a CAA... and now, an Honorary Doctorate in Education to suffix her name.

Dr. Saini began her voyage in the field of education as a senior teacher, followed by being a lecturer, an academic coordinator, and finally as the principal of a CBSE school.

She has been known to bring with her an innovative approach to the changing paradigms in the field of education, conducting internal audits (ISO), quality assurance (QCI), and Management of Information System and Monitoring.

She has a passion and flair for languages, has written poems (English and Hindi) for various events and occasions, has attended myriad QCI sessions, and is a qualified internal auditor for the ISO - QMS and EMS.

To add to her accolades, she has participated in seminars held by the National and International Conferences on English Language and Culture, and has over fourteen research papers published in various academic journals.

She has been awarded numerous awards such as Outstanding Contribution to School Education Award; and the Eminent Speaker on Early Childhood Education Award by the Elets Education Innovation Summit in December 2022; the Shiksha Gaurav Puraskar at the 4th EduLeaders Summit in November 2022; the Best District Principal Award by the Science Olympiad Foundation (SOF) in September 2021; a Felicitation by the Lions Club members in September 2021; and the Global Principal Award by the Centre for Educational Development (CED) in August 2021, and by the Allied Knowledge Services (AKS) in May 2021.

For all these and more: for her devotion to the field of academia, for being a mentor and role-model to students and teachers alike, for her contribution to education, for her persistence to ensure that excellence is a measure that is always rising and never reached... she was awarded this grand Honorary Doctorate.

We wholesomely congratulate her for this win, wishing her the very best, and knowing that many more such accolades are yet to follow.

We also thank the PCET management and Board of Trustees: Mr. Dnyaneshwar P. Landge, Chairman; Ms. Padma M. Bhonsle, Vice Chairperson; Mr. Vitthal S. Kalbhor, Secretary; Mr. Shantaram D. Garade, Treasurer; Mr. Harshwardhan S. Patil, Trustee; and Dr. Girish M. Desai, Executive Director for always being great supporters and mentors.

## Chapter 5

# Towards a Greener World: Winning the Greenest School Award



On February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023, the Year-end Audit was conducted wherein students who, under the mentorship of Ms. Darshana Kamat, the senior secondary science teacher, gave a presentation and displayed all the projects they had done the year throughout to the GreenLine Panel committee.



all the five senses.

6. A stand-up and speak-up activity.
7. A green habit chart
8. Other activities include a river-cleaning activity, etc.

We are proud to announce that S.B. Patil Public School is one of the 5 schools that selected out of 42 schools, and is the only school from Pune, with the rest from Mumbai for the GreenLine Year-end Audit.



For the past many months, they had to complete seven tasks assigned by GreenLine. These included:

1. A School Climate Action Plan
2. Monsoon exposure and survey
3. A street play
4. The Sagarmitra United for Environment activity
5. A scrapbook making activity based on

The audit team inspected and questioned all participants on their projects. The final results were declared on the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month, and a might big congratulations is order as the school won the Greenest School Award.

We heartily congratulate and thank Ms. Darshana Kamat and Ms. Ashwiner Suryawanshi for working in cohesion with GreenLine and being great mentors to our students and faculty. We also thank the principal, Dr. Bindu Saini; vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda; primary coordinator, Ms. Shubhangi Kulkarni for all their efforts towards organising this collaboration.



A big round of applause goes to the students for all their hard work; and finally, we also thank the team for GreenLine for their guidance and support throughout this alliance, and for bestowing us with this meritorious accolade.

## Chapter 6

# All about SDG #13: Taking on Climate Action - Local to Global



Mahatma Gandhi said, *"Be the change you want to see in the world."*

S.B. Patil Public School believes in this philosophy and strives to prepare its students as change makers for a better world. The Grade VII students of S.B. Patil Public School are presently participating in a six-week long global collaborative project on the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal #13: Climate Action

which started on the September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022 along with various schools across the world.

The students have been engaged in finding about the causes and effects of climate change in the past two weeks' activities facilitated by their class teachers. They were taught about the concept of weather and climate, watched videos, engaged in various activities like, making posters, charts, power point presentations, writing and giving speeches, writing songs and poetry to learn and become aware about the UN SDG #13 climate change and share them with the other school's students and teachers across the globe through WhatsApp messaging, earthproject.org app and website.

Continuing with the third week activity on climate action on the theme "Local to Global", our students participated in a class collaboration with Beacon House Garden Town School, Lahore, Pakistan on October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Students from both schools gave their presentations on their findings, activities, posters, charts, speeches, writings, power point presentations and innovative models. Following the mutual interactions and presentations, students from both schools asked questions from each other related to the SDG #13: Climate Change, and learnt about simple ways to combat the effects of climate change in both countries.

It was a rich and fruitful online collaboration for all participant students and the teachers, facilitators from the entire world who joined the online collaboration to witness the event. Facilitator, Dr. Kalyani Rao and teachers from both schools appreciated the presentations and work done by students of both schools. Dr. Kalyani Rao deliberated that the movement towards combating effects of climate change should not confine to just talking or discussing about it but should be practiced in everyday life.

We thank and appreciate all educators and school coordinators from both schools: Ms. Sadia Tiwana, Beaconhouse Garden Town School, Pakistan; and from S.B. Patil Public School: Ms. Anjali Gugale, International Relations Coordinator; Ms. Vandana Sangle, section coordinator; Ms. Varsha Deshmukh, Eco Club in-charge; the teachers: Ms. Anita Patil, Ms. Akanksha Goswami, Ms. Rucha Deokar, Ms. Treasa Peters, Ms. Snehal Shinde, Ms. Mohini Nair; and Ms. Darshana Kamat, Eco Club in-charge for secondary section for all their efforts, support and guidance to make this event as success. We would like to thank the IT department members: Mr. Abhijeet Gaikwad and Mr. Aman Yadav for providing the much needed support.

We appreciate all efforts by all students who gave the presentations and made models and charts and all students who participated wholeheartedly in the event.

We thank our principal, Dr. Bindu Saini, and vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda, and school management for providing the opportunity and much needed support and guidance for successfully executing the event.

## Chapter 7

# Building Climate Resilience: Ensuring a Sustainable Future through Quality Education



*"Progress is impossible without change, and those who cannot change their minds cannot change anything."* - George Bernard Shaw (1856 - 1950)

The above quote inspires and motivates us to bring a change in our lives that remains a mark of progress and sustainable future and a change for saving our environment is the first step towards such progress. Our children need to learn the importance of saving

the environment to develop resilience from the ill effects of the growing pollution and climate change that influences each aspect of life on Earth. We consistently take initiatives to make our students aware about the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and make it a part of their curriculum and activities for bringing a change that is for the betterment of the world.

Students of Grade VII participated in the Climate Action Project through a global online platform and initiative called Take Action global with [earthproject.org](http://earthproject.org).

The Climate Action Project is a free student-centered project, a six-week journey involving more than 3.4 million students across 149 countries. It is supported by governments in 15 countries and is founded by educator, speaker, author and environmentalist, Koen Timmers who was awarded the Global Teacher Prize in 2017 and 2018. The project aims to lead to a change of behavior through education.

Climate Action Project @ [climate-action.info](http://climate-action.info) is a collaboration with WWF, Earth Day, and NASA, and endorsed by Jane Goodall, President Juan Miguel Santos, Prince William, HH the Dalai Lama, and other eminent scientists, public figures, world leaders and Ministries of Education across 16 countries. It was covered by media across 45 countries including BBC, CNN and the National Geographic.





The students were guided by their class teachers and brainstormed the causes, effects of climate change and solutions for combating the ill effects of climate change. They made posters, models, wrote poetry, solved worksheets, took interviews of relatives and grandparents as a part of the activities of the project.

The students collaborated with Beaconhouse Garden Town School, Pakistan; and Positivo School, Brazil and shared the issues related to ill-effects of climate change in their respective countries. They shared their experiences of participating in the six-week Climate Action project. It was a heartwarming and fruitful collaboration for all the participating countries and was appreciated by all teachers and participants.

Teachers and Students all across the globe attended the Climate Action Webinar on the 3rd of November to mark the end of the project. They witnessed speeches by 30 prominent and famous environmental and youth activists, scientists, economists, magicians, princes, politicians and intellectuals. Also, they attended a webinar with David Pallash, Lego Group to collaborate on an activity of sharing their ideas through building sustainable cities through models made with Lego blocks for which many students responded enthusiastically.



The new playing blocks of Lego are made of polyethylene terephthalate which is recycled from bottles, and is a step forward in the brand's sustainability mission. Thus, this webinar was conducted to motivate students to "Build the change" for a sustainable future.

With an overwhelming response from students, our school has been selected for another Lego challenge called "From school to Home" challenge for which the students will share their solutions to climate change and making sustainable cities. The students will have the opportunity for their solutions to be published on the Lego and Take Action Global website.

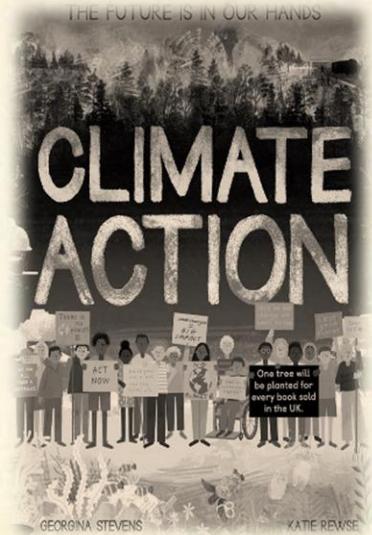


All our students and participating students and teachers were awarded with certificates of participation in the Climate Action project and Webinar. Also, our school has been awarded with the Lego "Build the Change" certificate for a builder of change.

We are thankful to Koen Timmers, the entire team of Take Action Global and earthproject.org for giving us this wonderful opportunity to participate in this project.

Ms. Anjali Gugale also received a free copy of the Glassbox e-book and audiobook of "Climate Action by Georgina Stevens" for answering questions during the Climate Action Day webinar and for being among the first 500 attendees.

Congratulations and best wishes to all the participating Grade VII student; the class teachers: Ms. Aakanksha Goswami, Ms. Anita Patil, Ms. Snehal Shinde, Ms. Treasa Peters, Ms. Varsha Deshmukh, Ms. Rucha Deokar, and Ms. Mohini Nair; section coordinator, Ms. Vandana Sangle; Facilitator of the Climate Action Project and IRC Coordinator, Ms. Anjali Gugale; vice principal Ms. Padmavati Banda and principal, Dr. Bindu Saini for all the efforts and support for successfully completing the Climate Action Project 2022.



## Chapter 8

### Running for Unity: Celebrating Rashtriya Ekta Diwas



the middle school group.

The run was conducted in the neighbourhood area with our students flaunting banners displaying the images of Sardar Patel, his ideology of a United India, and what it means to be proud of a unified India and united Indians.

Our students caught the eyes and attention of all local residents and passer-by's who waited a while to appreciate and feel proud how we are inspiring the future of India: our younger generations.

In accordance to guidelines from CBSE pertaining to the celebration of Rashtriya Ekta Diwas which falls on 31<sup>st</sup> October every year, we - S.B. Patil Public School located in the vicinity of Ravet in Pimpri Chinchwad Township, Pune - organised the "Unity Run" for our students of



The run was mentored by our principal, Dr Bindu Saini; and vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda. Our section coordinator, Ms. Vandana Sangle; Sports HoD, Mr. Dhanaji Patil and his team organised the entire execution. We thank all the faculty and students whose participation made this celebration an inspiring success.

## Chapter 9

### Automating the Library

Surfing once again on the tides of technology, incorporating the latest tech into the school system and always keeping abreast with the latest innovations, S.B. Patil Public School commenced automating its library of over 10,000 books.

Rather than resorting to the manual entry of every book borrowed and returned, the new system will aid staff and students to select any book of their liking, scan the book so as to ensure the recording of borrowing, and similarly scan the book when returning it, sliding it down the deposit box.

A scanner at the exit will also prevent any book not recorded to be taken out of the library.

This automation will not only increase the efficiency of the whole library process but will also allow the librarians to invest their time more productively in ensuring that reading habits are developed strongly amongst the students.

We thank the principal, Dr. Bindu Saini; vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda; primary coordinator, Ms. Shubhangi Kulkarni; the administrative officer, Mr. Manish Dhekale and the librarians: Ms. Swati Khaire and Ms. Anjali Garge for bringing to fruition this initiative.

We also lend our gratitude to Ms. Darshana Bhosale and the entire team from GTS Technosoft Private Limited for undertaking the SBPPS Smart Library Implementation project.

We also thank the PCET management and Board of Trustees: Mr. Dnyaneshwar P. Landge, Chairman; Ms. Padma M. Bhonsle, Vice Chairperson; Mr. Vitthal S. Kalbhor, Secretary; Mr. Shantaram D. Garade, Treasurer; Mr. Harshwardhan S. Patil, Trustee; and Dr. Girish M. Desai, Executive Director for always ensuring our school reaches and surpasses academic and technological advancement.

# Chapter 10

## Making the Best Out of Waste

*“What is creativity but making something marvelous out of what is discarded.”*



Today, where waste management and the R's of recycling, reusing, reducing is one of the most important topics of discussion among countries during global environment summits, here at S.B. Patil Public School, the pre-primary section created a stepping stone towards environment conservation by organising the Best Out of Waste competition on November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

This gives an opportunity to students to bring out their creativity to reuse various things and be a part of the green army. Our students enjoyed the activity and showed us how even little hands can change the world, and make it a better place.



Students made wonderful things out of paper cups, plastic bottles, pista shells, pencil sharpenings, etc. Recycling things is like magic that turns ordinary things into extraordinary. The teachers praised the little ones as they took a step to save the environment.



# Chapter 11

अगजानन-पद्माकं गजाननम्-अहर्निशम्। अनेकदंतं भक्तानाम् एकदन्तम्-उपास्महे॥

## The Nursery Sanskrit Shloka-chanting Activity



Sanskrit is the mother of all Indian languages. The beauty of its sound and precision in its pronunciation makes it a unique language. Sanskrit shlokas can help boost our ability to retain memory. To instil within our young ones the values and understanding the same, a shloka-chanting activity was conducted in the Nursery section on November 10th. 2022.

The students actively participated in the competition by chanting shlokas with utmost sincerity and reverence. They displayed great confidence as they chanted difficult shlokas with ease. It was a pleasure to see the tiny tots participating with such zeal and enthusiasm.



## Chapter 12

# For the Career-driven: A Visit to the City Pride School Career Fair



On November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022, an open career fair was organised by City Pride School, Nigdi for the students of Grade IX to XI. Representatives from over 20 renowned educational institutes exhibited their programmes and courses

With the fair being open to other schools as well, our students visited City Pride School in turns, along with their respective class teachers.

Mid-session, the representatives came on stage to speak about what today's careers require. They emphasised the need for preparing students who

would be job-ready on graduating. The elaborated how honing and growing the skills learned at school mixed with additional skills learned and acquired at the college level is a necessity to prepare students.

They vehemently spoke about their institutes and the multiple courses offered by each, and how each course would be tailored to suit the needs of students who have specific career ambitions in mind.

This proved to be an insightful and helpful experience for all of them as they are at that crucial stage wherein they are deciding the career path they will take.

We thank everyone at City Pride School for organising such a wonderful career fair. We also thank our principal, Dr. Bindu Saini; vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda; administrative officer, Mr. Manish Dhekale; and the Career Counsellor, Ms. Sushmita Roy for encouraging us to visit the fair.

## Chapter 13

### Lending their Voice for Children's Day: At the Infinity Community Radio 90.4 FM Station



Samsung Quad Camera  
Shot with my Galaxy A32

On November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022, students from S.B. Patil Public School visited the PCET's Infinity Community Radio 90.4 FM studio to deliver recordings on Children's Day.

The ICR 90.4 FM is a fabulous initiative taken by the Pimpri Chinchwad Education Trust. Managed and headed by the wonderful and talented team of Ms. Madhuri

Dhamale, Mr. Viraj Sawai and everyone else on board, the ICR 90.4 FM acts as a platform for the institute heads to reach out to the students near and far; and to lend anyone and everyone within the vicinity of the PCMC, especially students, a voice to speak on myriad topics and issues that not just pertain to academics but also about more prevalent and pressing issues.

Students from both the primary and secondary section went to the station to lend their voice by narrating speeches and stories, and reciting poems themed on the occasion. Aarohi Bahendwar of IX-C, Diksha Banik of XI-C, Neelakshi Joshi of X-B, Rujuta Gokhale of X-A, Tanishq Suryavanshi of X-B, Shwet Kinge of X-D, Tanmayi Naik of X-C, Atharva Mali of VI-F, and Vedant Madoli of VII-E. They were accompanied by Ms. Deepika Kannao and Ms. Rachna Sisodiya.



After their recordings, Mr. Sawai gave the students a tour of the station, which quenched the students' curiosity.



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Shot with my Galaxy A32

The event proved to be a fantastic and new experience for students. Not only were they praised immensely by the team at the station for their efforts and enthusiasm but were full of praise themselves for the efforts the team put in to help them overcome all nervousness and stage-fright. Of course, without a doubt, they were immensely enthusiastic about being on air again.

We thank the team at the ICR 90.4 FM station: Ms. Dhamale and Mr. Sawai for painstakingly and patiently recording the student's narrations. Our thanks also goes out to Dr. Bindu Saini, principal; Ms. Padmavati Banda, vice principal; Ms. Shubhangi Kulkarni, primary section coordinator; Mr. Manish Dhekale, the administrative officer; Rohit Sarkar, the Media and Publishing Department Executive for coordinating and organising this event.



Without a doubt, a standing ovation for PCET management and Board of Trustees: Mr. Dnyaneshwar P. Landge, Chairman; Ms. Padma M. Bhonsle, Vice Chairperson; Mr. Vitthal S. Kalbhor, Secretary; Mr. Shantaram D. Garade, Treasurer; Mr. Harshwardhan S. Patil, Trustee; and Dr. Girish M. Desai, Executive Director for establishing and instituting this splendid platform.

Our wholesome gratitude goes out to all the teachers: Ms. Deepika Kannao, Ms. Manjusha Nathe, Ms. Rachna Sisodiya, Ms. Jeet Kaur Sodhi, Ms. Tripti Brijwasi and Ms. Chandrakala Sharma for all their efforts put in to prepare and mentor the students so wonderfully.



## Chapter 14

### From The Republic of the Gambia to the City of Pune: Delegates Visit S.B. Patil Public School



In a proud moment, delegates from the Republic of the Gambia who were visiting the PCET and the institutes under it, visited S.B. Patil Public School.

His Excellency, Mr. Mustapha Jawara, High Commissioner of the Republic of the Gambia; Ms. Omie Fatty, Spouse of High Commissioner; Mr. Lamin Singhateh, Deputy Head of Mission; and Ms. Aji Fatou Joof, First Secretary were the distinguished Guests of Honour.



They were escorted and accompanied by PCCoE's Dr. Anuradha Thakare, and were warmly welcomed by the principal, Dr. Saini; vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda; primary section coordinator, Ms. Shubhangi Kulkarni; and administrative officer, Mr. Manish Dhekale who engaged in candid discussions on the need for future collaborations.

## Chapter 15

### Being a Friend Indeed: Hosting the Sagarmitra Abhiyan Session



On November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022, S.B. Patil Public School organised the Sagarmitra Abhiyan session for the students of Grades VI to XI. A near-680 students partook in the event which involved collecting dry plastic waste.

Leading the session was Mr. Vinod Bodhankar, the founder of the Sagarmitra Abhiyan. He specifically oriented grade VII students. Here he explained the types of plastic, those which are recyclable, and the recycled products,

This collaboration is an ongoing event and experience wherein dry plastic waste is collected every month and sent in for recycling. In January, the students collected 37kgs of waste plastic and sent it for recycling.

The objective of this event was to identify main barriers or difficulties faced in reducing plastic waste from household garbage. This activity also shed light on the difficulty faced in segregating plastic waste from mixed trash and residual waste streams.



conserve marine resources for the future of the planet and its living beings.

The activity helped inspire students to be active participants in conserving the environment; to understand the importance of recycling and minimising the consumption of plastic products; use plastic materials only when in dire need; realise why plastic should not end up in land-fills; understand the ill-effects of plastic on marine eco-systems; and to promote and

By the end of the session, students were immensely impacted positively. They learned, understood and promised to practice recycling and minimising the use of plastic; segregating the different types of waste - plastic waste, e- waste, biodegradable waste, etc.; and encourage and motivate others to be true friends of ocean and nature itself.

We thank the principal, Dr. Bindu Saini; and vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda for helping us organise this event. We also thank section coordinator, Ms. Vandana Sangle for collaborating with Mr. Bodhankar and commencing this initiative in our school. We are also gracious to the faculty members: Ms. Darshana Kamat, Ms. Anjali Gugale, and Ms. Varsha Deshmukh for hosting this event so successfully.

## Chapter 16

### A Merging of Great Minds: Hosting the BrainWorld/ Mindlancer Conference



The VIP guests for the day were: Dr. Jyotika Malkani, Principal, Academic Heights Public School; Dr. Poornima Trivedi, Life Coach; Dr. Arvind Shaligram, CEO, Space and Innovation Research Park; Ms. Krishna Anand, Director, Ignite India; Mr. Ajay Dalvi, Trustee, Dalvi Institute of Arts; Ms. Neha Verma Madan, Professor, CoEP; Dr. Girish M. Desai; Director, PCET; Dr. Sanjay Modi, Pro-Vice Chancellor, LPU; Mr. Ravi Gupta, Dean, Whistling Woods International School.



**Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022:** BrainWorld in association with Mindlancer organised International Design Education Conference at S.B. Patil Public School. The conference saw the principals, heads of schools, colleges and institutes from all over India come together in this event that merged great minds.



S.B. Patil Public School was represented by: Dr. Bindu Saini, principal; Ms. Padmavati Banda, vice principal; Ms. Shubhangi Kulkarni, primary section head; Ms. Richa Arora and Ms. Anusaya Swami, computer and IT teachers; Ms. Monu Dekate, HR Executive; and Rohit Sarkar, Media and Publishing Department Executive.

The programme commenced at 11:30 am with the lamp-lighting ceremony by all the distinguished guests. Anchored by Ms. Reshu Aggarwal, Founder and Director, BrainWorld, the eminent speakers came up on stage, each talking about the importance of design and how it is now a valuable element of education.



Post-lunch, a panel discussion was held wherein the panelists were posed a multitude of questions based on design, AI, creativity among school students. Posing these questions was Ms. Nidhi Bhandare, Career Coach.



vice principal; Ms. Shubhangi Kulkarni, primary section head and Manish Dhekale, administration officer for overseeing the organising of this event. We thank Mr. Aman Yadav for overseeing the presentations and sound for the day.

We also thank the PCET management and Board of Trustees: Mr. Dnyaneshwar P. Landge, Chairman; Ms. Padma M. Bhonsle, Vice Chairperson; Mr. Vitthal S. Kalbhor, Secretary; Mr. Shantaram D. Garade, Treasurer; Mr. Harshwardhan S. Patil, Trustee; and Dr. Girish M. Desai, Executive Director for giving us the chance to make our school venue for such a prestigious event.

To end this grand celebration, every participant was awarded with a certificate that they would forever treasure as a memory of being part of this prestigious event.

We thank Dr. Bindu Saini, principal; Ms. Padmavati Banda,

# Chapter 17

## Celebrating Children's Day



*"Children are like buds in a garden and should be carefully and lovingly nurtured as they are the future of the nation and the citizens of tomorrow."*

Every year, November 14<sup>th</sup> is celebrated as Children's Day to pay tribute to our former Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru for his contribution towards building the nation. It is a day celebrating the spirit of childhood.

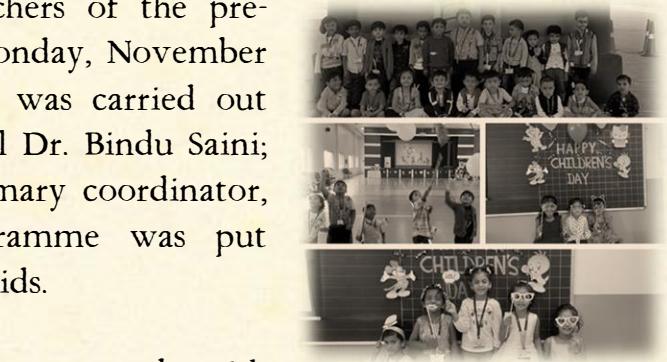
To make this event a memorable one, teachers of the pre-primary section celebrated the occasion on Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022 with great enthusiasm. The event was carried out under the guidance and directions of principal Dr. Bindu Saini; vice principal, Ms. Padmaavati Banda; and primary coordinator, Ms. Shubhangi Kulkarni. The entire programme was put together with a motive to entertaining the kids.



The programme commenced with welcoming the children with overwhelming joy and happiness. Classroom and corridors were beautifully decorated with colourful balloons, flowers, cartoon pictures and toys by keeping in mind the children's likings.

The games of pinata and hurdle race were organised for the kiddies with a children's movie shown to them. To end the day with a blast, the children and teachers danced to melodious and upbeat songs which gave special joy and liveliness to the day's end.

Kids were overwhelmed and enjoyed the occasion and were very eager to tell their parents about the show. All-in-all the children thoroughly enjoyed the day meant solely for them.



Meanwhile, the secondary sections celebrated the day in their own way. Students of higher sections wore casual clothes, and acted as teachers for the day, teaching the lower classes. It was a day well-spent for one and all with engaging age-related activities for each section organised.

In other news, students of S.B. Patil Public School visited the PCET's Infinity Radio 90.4 FM Station on November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022 to record speeches and poems on Children's Day. The story can be found in the preceding article, "Lending their Voice for Children's Day - At the Infinity Community Radio 90.4 FM Station".

## Chapter 18

# We the People...: Commemorating the Adoption of India's Constitution



observed moments of reverence wherein they stood at attention to honour the day.

Ms. Swaleha Mujawar, the CCA in-charge, briefly spoke about the Constitution of India after which, in unison, everyone recited the Constitution in our *matr-bhaasha*, Hindi. The principal, Dr. Bindu Saini; vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda; Primary Coordinator, Ms. Shubhangi Kulkarni; Section Coordinators, Ms. Nirupama Kale, Ms. Vandana Sangle and Ms. Archana Prabhune; the NABET Accreditation Coordinator, Ms. Sakina Bootwala; the Administrative Officer, Mr. Manish Dhekale; and the entire administration staff gathered in the school foyer for the event.



The halls of S.B. Patil Public School resounded with the voices of students, parents present and faculty, who with pride, recited every word that was drafted 73 years ago.

Later in the day, the Scout and Guide Oath-taking Ceremony was also held - the events of which can be read in the succeeding article - in which, once again, with utmost reverence, the students, the Scout and Guide leaders, Mr. Kuldeep Ghadage, Mr. Shrikant Deshpande, Ms. Rohini Kanake, Ms. Suchita Phulari, Ms. Yogita Deshmukh, Mr. Dhanaji Patil, Mr. Chandrakant Thombre and Mr. Sandeep Ghadage; along with Dr. Saini, Ms. Vandana Sangle, and Ms. Mujawar.

Ever since the institution of the PCET's Infinity Community Radio 90.4 FM, the students of our school are wholesomely participating in shows to commemorate various events. For Constitution Day,

Amey Aigar of X-B penned down a beautiful script that elaborated how and why the constitution was made; ranging from basic framework of constitution to deepest of stories related to origin of it. Every single detail was included to get the listener familiar with what we call, a mahagranth... The Constitution of India.

The script commenced with self-composed poem written by Amey and ended with the Preamble, that is, the face of constitution. Fundamental rights, fundamental duties, DPSPs, Parts, Schedules and all the units of constitution were the base of script that eventually ended up into a beautiful show that explains values and features of the mightiest constitution in the world.

On November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022, he, along with CCA in-charge, Ms. Swaleha Mujawar went to the ICR 90.4 FM studio wherein they recorded their speech. The script along with its author, Amey - who is passionate about politics and the political history of India and who had wonderfully drafted the words spoken - without a doubt, were lauded by the team at the station. The recording was broadcast on the morning of November 26<sup>th</sup>, and was received praise by all those who heard it - students and faculty alike.



# Chapter 19

## Of Music and Flowers: The Pre-primary Field Visit

*“Music is the strongest form of magic.”* - Marilyn Manson (1969 - )

*“The garden suggests there might be a place where we can meet nature halfway.”* - Michael Pollan (1955 - )

A garden is a place of beauty, and a combination of musical instruments. A garden is a great place to visit!



To bring about a love for music and to know about various musical instruments, a field visit to the Aalap Musical Garden was organised for the tiny tots of pre-primary on Friday, November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

Children were elated and excited to visit the theme park where they explored nature, freely enjoyed and played in the garden full of greenery and vibrant colourful flowers, whilst also getting to see the various musical instruments set up such as tabla, guitar, flute, xylophone, harmonium, etc.

Teachers gave information about all the musical instruments to their kids. Such visual and practical experience helped students remember, learn and understand the subject for their lifetime. Students posed in front of the musical instruments and had their photographs taken.

Field trips help strengthen classroom materials and bring classroom materials to life, and parents were delighted and satisfied to see the cheerful happy faces of their loved ones as they fully enjoyed in the garden whilst also gaining knowledge of musical instruments which in turn created a curiosity and interest towards music in them.



## Chapter 20

### Obeying the Guide Law: The Scout and Guide Oath-taking Ceremony



Ms. Kulkarni; and section coordinators: Ms. Vandana Sangle and Ms. Archana Prabhune.

The Scout and Guide leaders, Mr. Kuldeep Ghadage, Mr. Shrikant Deshpande, Ms. Rohini Kanake, Ms. Suchita Phulari, Ms. Yogita Deshmukh, Mr. Dhanaji Patil, Mr. Chandrakant Thombre and Mr. Sandeep Ghadage led the event with bestowing scout scarfs upon the school heads.



Another event held on November 26<sup>th</sup>, was the Scout and Guide Oath-taking Ceremony. The scouts of Grades V and VI were part of the ceremony.

The event commenced with reverence to Lieutenant-General Robert Stephenson Smyth Baden-Powell by the principal, Dr. Saini; vice principal, Ms. Banda; primary coordinator, Vandana Sangle and Ms. Archana Prabhune.



The young scouts then proceeded to sing the flag song followed by the scout prayer. After this, with utmost reverence, they, in unison, recited and took the scout oath: *"On my honour, I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law; to help other people at all times; to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight."*

Being November 26<sup>th</sup>, which is also celebrated as National Constitution Day - the article of which can be read above - Ms. Swaleha Mujawar, the CCA in-charge took the lead, and all, with utmost respect, recited the Constitution of India in our *matr bhaasha*, Hindi.



The ceremony concluded with Dr. Saini giving a profound speech on the importance of the Constitution, and how as scouts and guides, one can honour every word written.

## Chapter 21

### The Colour of Nature: The Pre-primary Green Day



Green is the colour of nature which represents new beginnings, growth and harmony, self-respect and well-being.

On November 30<sup>th</sup>, the pre-primary section celebrated green colour day. This day was celebrated with great zeal and zest as the little princes and princesses adorned dresses in all shades of green.

Teachers shared the information on green colour objects whilst classrooms were decorated with green colour displays. The little ones involved themselves in green colour activities with their respective teachers such as vegetable printing for the Nursery section; and making of snakes using fan-folding as well as salad-making using green vegetables and fruits for the Junior KG classes.



The Senior KG children eagerly and excitedly welcomed the advent of Christmas by making paper Christmas trees and decorating it. Children had great fun doing all the activities organised for them and enjoyed the day with fun, whilst also learning tonnes in the bargain.

## Chapter 22

# Combating Climate Change by Preventing Food Waste

### Canteen Food waste Audit & Result

Date	Menu	Waste in kg	Average
7/11/22	Manu Matki,Dalkhichadi, Chapati	7	
9/11/22	Aloo methi,Dal,ice	10	
11/11/22	Chole puri	9.9	50.3 kg/week
12/11/22	Noodles	5	
14/11/22	Mattar, paneer,Chapati,rice	9.8	
16/11/22	Brinjal, Chapati,rice	8.6	

3 kg waste only by around 250 students per day. = 15.77 kg CO<sub>2</sub> -  
Food Waste Greenhouse Gas Calculator -  
<https://watchmywaste.com.au/food-waste-greenhouse-gas/>



The National Launch Pad VI 2022 organised a competition with the theme "Initiating Climate Action from Classrooms". For this, we selected the topic, "Combat Climate Change by Preventing Food Waste".

Preventing food from going to waste is one of the easiest and most powerful actions we can take to lower our climate change footprint by reducing greenhouse

gas (GHG) emissions and conserving natural resources.

To understand more about this, the students of Grade IX did a food-waste audit on the school cafeteria. Students weighed the food waste from students' plates each day for a week and found out the carbon footprints.

Students learned about the ways in which food impacts the environment by recording data from this audit. The audit engaged basic science and math skills to convert food waste weights to CO<sub>2</sub> footprints.

After this, students partook in the following activities:

- Creativity with leftover food:** Food waste fell sharply during the lockdown period as people stuck at home began to use leftovers, plan meals and freeze food rather than throw it away. Once lockdown ended, however, food waste rose again. Even leftover food can be made into creative dishes. We conducted this activity and students came up with wonderful cuisines that did not even look like it is prepared from leftover food.
- Student Blogs on the School Website:** We also encouraged our students to use electronic media to highlight their experiences working as a food warrior on the school website.
- Food Nutrition Charts in the Cafeteria:** Students prepared charts with food nutritional values and displayed in the school cafeteria.

For this project, the participating faculty also received the most Effective Presentation Award.

### Our Warriors on Canteen

#### Front



#### Let's be aware !!!!!



## Chapter 23

### A Speech Worth a Standing Ovation: Prof. Dr. Pratik Munegkar Speaks at S.B. Patil Public School



It was a very special day for S.B. Patil Public School as it hosted a career guidance session for the students of Grades IX to XI.

The speaker for the session was a very special guest: Prof. Dr. Pratik Rajan Munegkar. Dr. Munegkar is a scientist, professor, counsellor, global educator, published author and an international speaker.

He has several distinguished achievements to his credit: He is the first Indian to be appointed as the planetary Minister of Sustainable Development of the newly emerging Kingdom of Atlantis (a Decentralized Sovereign Kingdom). He is the first youngest Indian whose book *Introduction to sustainable Development Goals (Non-academic)* is now part of Atlantean Education Programme.

He is the first youngest Indian to receive 300+ honorary doctorates from all over the world. He is the first youngest Indian professor who has taught to more than 8,000+ students whilst career guiding 4,000+ students till date.



He is also the first Indian who has 850+ international, national and state awards at the age of 28 for his contribution in the field of teaching and research.

He is the first youngest Indian to receive 125+ honorary high degrees from across the globe. He is the first Indian to be appointed by 45+ International organisations in various high-positions at the same time. He is the first youngest Indian to be appointed as ambassador by 46 organisations of many countries in almost all disciplines.

He is the first Indian youngest professor to start teaching at the age of sixteen; by the age of twenty-seven, he completed twelve years of teaching. He is the first youngest Indian to receive royal & prestigious titles such as the *Lecturus Magnificus (LM)* and the *HRH 50-star Duke*.



He is the first youngest Indian to receive the Mendeleev's Fellowship (United Kingdom's Highest Academic Honour), and finally is also the first Indian to receive the distinguished title "Professor Wisdom" from *Institución Cultural Colombiana Casa Poética Magia y Plumas*, Colombia South America.



Dr. Mungekar was welcomed to the school by the principal, Dr. Bindu Saini; vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda; and administrative officer, Mr. Manish Dhekale. He was escorted to the sports ground wherein he partook in the school's Sport's Week inauguration ceremony.

Following the inaugural ceremony wherein he wished the primary section students the very best, he was escorted to the auditorium wherein he gave an inspiring and motivational talk on what makes a good career but more importantly what we - as students and people - must do - the simple habits in life - so as to be successful. His speech was highly applauded by every student and staff present.

Post seminar, over lunch, he engaged in conversation with the school heads who deliberated on collaborations and future associations of other foreign universities with our very own and upcoming Pimpri Chinchwad University (PCU) at Sate, Pune.

We, on behalf of everyone at S.B. Patil Public School, thank Dr. Mungekar for lending us his precious time and sharing with us his practical and realistic knowledge.



We also thank the PCET management and Board of Trustees: Mr. Dnyaneshwar P. Landge, Chairman; Ms. Padma M. Bhonsle, Vice Chairperson; Mr. Vitthal S. Kalbhor, Secretary; Mr. Shantaram D. Garade, Treasurer; Mr. Harshwardhan S. Patil, Trustee; and Dr. Girish M. Desai, Executive Director for granting us permission to host such an insightful and knowledgeable event.

## Chapter 24

### “I Can Sell Anything... the Sky Too!”: At the Ad Mad Show



The Ad Mad Show is a platform for students to showcase their presentation skills and explore their creativity. S.B. Patil Public School's pre-primary section organised an Ad Mad Show for their Junior and Senior KG sections on Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022 to help the tiny tots bring out their creative streak.

The activity aimed at enhancing the students' skills in enacting, expression, voice modulation, stage presence and dialogue delivery. The students were expected to present an ad that has the essentials of a good advertisement, i.e. clarity, originality, thought provoking elements, creativity, appeal and simplicity.



Most of the students came up with unique ideas and participated with a lot of enthusiasm. The little advertisers came up with different products to sell, such as masks, milk, sanitisers, cloth bags, hair oils, etc. They were all dressed up in appropriate costumes along with props to showcase their products. Some even touched on important issues through advertisements of their products such as using their rough and tough 'cloth bags' to protect the environment from plastic waste.

Also an ad of “*Made in India: Seed Pencils*” which when discarded in the soil will grow into a new plant, grabbed everyone's attention. Such eco-friendly products are indeed the need of the hour.

It was fun to watch the children as they spoke about numerous interesting products using comical punches, jingles and some having a storyline to advertise their products. Overall it was an enriching experience for the students.



## Chapter 25

### The Nursery English Poem Recitation Activity



*“Poetry is when an emotion has found its thought and the thought has found words.”* - Robert Frost (1874 - 1963)

The best way to learn a language is to speak and use it continuously. Stories, songs and poems are ways in which one can recite and be fluent in the language. Reciting poems not only encourages a child to memorise and immerse themselves in powerful language but also makes them passionate about the lyrical beauty of it right from an early age

With this idea in mind, an English Poem Recitation Activity was held in the Nursery section of S.B. Patil Public school on Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

Our tiny tots recited lively and cheerful poems. The content, presentation, use of props and the confidence of the participants were praiseworthy. Children participated with great zeal and enthusiasm.

# Chapter 26

## Being Financially Smart: A Workshop in Collaboration with Education10x



professional in the field of finance.

On December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022, a pre-vocational skill activity on Financial Literacy was conducted for Grade VIII in collaboration with Education 10x. In accordance to CBSE guidelines for Grade VIII pre-vocational skill subjects, exposure was given to them by helping them interact with a

The objective of the activity was to lay a foundation for good habits when it comes to finances; to learn the banking system and other financial concepts through gamified activities; to understand the value of money, the importance of saving, investing and financial planning; and to make students future ready. Nearly 280 students participated in the 90-minute session.

The speaker for the session was Ms. Jiya Jacob, an MCom in Advanced Accounting and Taxation, and who currently works at the Indian Public School. She actively engages in the stock market, and helps students learn about finances and saving right from an early age.

Apart from major issues of investment and saving, types of currencies and expenses were talked about during the session. Information about famous investors, and ways to plan basic strategies for smart money management were also discussed.

The session proved to be of immense value to not just the students but the faculty present too. They would now be able to make better financial decisions, plan basic strategies to reduce expenses through better regulation and discipline, classify the types of expenses, maintain a diary as a part of good financial habit, and be able to relate the connection between the banking system and financial management.



We thank the principal, Dr. Bindu Saini; vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda; the section coordinator, Ms. Vandana Sangle; and all the teachers who helped organise this insightful and important session. We also thank Ms. Jiya Jacob for lending us her valuable time and expertise. We look forward to many more such sessions in the future that would enable our students to grow holistically.

## Chapter 27

# In Pomp and Grandeur: Celebrating the Three-day Annual Programme



With months in preparation and nearly every student and faculty member immersed in it, S.B. Patil Public School's Annual Programme was held from December 21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 with pre-primary section to Grade II students having theirs on the 21<sup>st</sup>; Grades III to V having theirs on the 22<sup>nd</sup>; and Grades VI onwards celebrating their annual programme on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.

After a two-year hiatus when Annual Days – an event that gives a platform to students to not only showcase their talents on stage to the applause and cheer of parents and visitors, but also where they receive honours for their curricular and co-curricular achievements – was held online, it was decided to celebrate 2022's Annual Programme with great pomp and grandeur.

This year, the Annual Programme, “Celebrating Togetherness” had three themes for each day: “Sunhere Sapne” for Day 1, “Swapanotsav” for Day 2, and “Bhaasha Sangam” for Day 3.

With the venue set as the grounds at the Pimpri Chinchwad College of Education campus at Akurdi, the celebration each day began with a devotional song by the students which was followed by the lamp-lighting ceremony by the principal, Dr. Bindu Saini; vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda; primary coordinator, Ms. Shubhangi Kulkarni; and the guests for the evening.





Speaking of guests, the dignitaries who honoured and graced the event with their presence were: Ms. Padma M. Bhonsle, Vice Chairperson, PCET; Dr. Girish M. Desai, Executive Director, PCET; Mr. Yogesh Bhavsar, Registrar, PCET; Ms. Janhavi Inamdar, Academic Coordinator, PCET; Mr. Narendra Landge and Mr. Ajinkya Kalbhor, management representatives, PCET; Dr. Sanjivani Shelke, Dean HR, PCET; Mr. Ketan Desale, Digital Marketing Head, PCET; Dr. Ashok Thorat, Director, IASE; Ms. Reshu Aggarwal, Founder and Director, BrainWorld; and Dr. Prateek Mungekar, global educator and international speaker.

To add more flavour to the programme, the faculty of S.B. Patil Public School invited the alumni, who were elated to be part of the programme. During the ceremony, they were warmly welcomed and felicitated by the school heads.



the students.

Post the lamp-lighting ceremony, and the felicitation of the guests, the principal, Dr. Saini presented all parents, students, faculty and other visitors with the school's Annual Report – presenting all the achievements and undertakings the students, faculty and the school as an institute has been part of.



#### Compering

the programme for the first day were: Ms. Payal Nihalani and Ms. Supreya Nitin; for the second day, Ms. Pranita Sharma; and for the third, Ms. Swaleha Mujawar. They, through their words, warmly welcomed everyone to the programme and guided the audience through the introduction, the lamp-lighting ceremony that followed until the start of the main course: which was the performance by



Following the speech, the real programme commenced to which nearly every member of the audience waited eagerly in anticipation.



Students performed a variety of performances ranging from dances, plays, mimes and speech enactments. With over 45 performances each day, the audience was enthralled for a near four hours. The air resounded with music, the voices of the students, and the applause and cheer of the audiences.

Students went on to even compere the show with immense confidence and fervency. With the final performance coming to an end, parents, students, and faculty loudly cheered on for every student who performed. Ms. Payal Nihalani, Ms. Pranita Sharma and Ms. Nirupama Kale each gave the Vote of Thanks on the respective days, expressing their gratitude to all people who with whose effort, big or small, the programme ended up being a grand success.

To bring the programme coming to a close, the faculty members present assembled on stage to sing the Vande Mataram.

Thousands of students, hundreds of hours, countless faculty, months of practice; all this and more contributed to a glorious programme that lasted three days.



We take this space to thank everyone whose contribution to the programme made it such a stupendous victory: the principal, Dr. Bindu Saini; vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda; primary coordinator, Ms. Shubhangi Kulkarni; section coordinators: Ms. Nirupama Kale, Ms. Vandana Sangle, Ms. Archana Prabhune, Ms. Payal Nihalani and Ms. Nayana Taru.



Our gratitude goes to all the teachers who, despite their regular work, put in hours of effort, hardwork and dedication towards this programme to train the students, to oversee their performances, and to take countless rehearsals.

We thank the administration department for overseeing the arrangements: Mr. Manish Dhekale, the administration officer and the entire team who ensured the programme went on smoothly.

A big round of applause to the parents who extended their wholesome support towards this programme. Our thanks even goes to everyone backstage: the peons, moushis and security for overseeing the smooth arrival and dispersal of students and parents.

A standing ovation goes out to the PCET Management and Board of Trustees: Mr. Dnyaneshwar P. Landge, Chairman; Ms. Padma M. Bhonsle, Vice Chairperson; Mr. Vitthal S. Kalbhor, Secretary; Mr. Shantaram D. Garade, Treasurer; Mr. Harshwardhan S. Patil, Trustee; and Dr. Girish M. Desai, Executive Director for always for supporting us so wonderfully through the past months so that the three-day annual programme could be held with such splendour.



## Chapter 28

# An Afternoon with the Good Doctor: Giving an Insight into Communicable Respiratory Diseases



On January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023, a seminar was conducted for the students of Grades IX and X on communicable diseases such as dengue, SARS, COVID-19 and pneumonia. The objective was to bring about awareness and help students understand these communicable respiratory diseases in-depth.

The speaker for the day was Dr. Rohit Pethkar, an MS in General Surgery, a proctologist, and a laparoscopic surgeon. He is the Director of Yashashree Hospital, Ravet, Pune; a Panel Consultant at Sterling Hospital, Ojas Hospital, and Lifepoint Hospital, Pune; has seven years of experience in the area of health care; is an expert in General Health and Surgical Care; and has been recently awarded the Lokmat Dhanwantari award in February.



The session proved to be an insightful and interactive one with the good doctor taking in questions from both student and staff present.

We thank the principal, Dr. Bindu Saini; vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda; section coordinators, Ms. Nirupama Kale, Ms. Vandana Sangle and Ms. Archana Prabhune; and the administrative officer, Mr. Manish Dhekale for organising this wonderful event.

We especially lend our gratitude to Dr. Rohit Pethkar for taking time off his busy schedule to speak and interact with our students.

## Chapter 29

# The Senior KG English Storytelling with Props Activity



Storytelling broadens our imagination, engages creativity, provokes reasoning, inspires curiosity, and ultimately connects us to one another through words.

To bring out the storyteller hidden inside our little tots, the pre-primary section conducted an English Storytelling activity for the Senior KG section. Telling a story is an art. The narrator's voice modulation, actions, facial expressions, all in cohesion, helps transport the listeners to that imaginative world of the story itself. And if the narrator uses props, then it's cherry on the cake.

Our little storytellers too had put in lots of efforts to narrate their stories. Students had brought amazing props and some had even taken an extra effort by making handmade props to ornament their storytelling. This also gives an opportunity to students to improve their confidence and public speaking skills which is an essential element in this century.

The rules of architecture for the castles in the clouds, for imagination will get you anywhere. Thus, to enhance the intelligence and imagination of our little ones, we ensure we read to them more fairy tales because stories give them the power to dream with eyes wide open whilst stirring their imagination and creativity. Of course, without a doubt, narrating stories is then an outpour of their imagination.



## Chapter 30

### Molded with Skill: The Nursery Clayton Activity



Modelling is a great way to develop child's fine motor skills, imagination etc. Keeping this in mind, 'A clay modelling competition' was held in Nursery section wherein our tiny tots participated enthusiastically. Students presented clay models on the topic animals and insects. It was amazing to watch the little artists creatively giving shape to their imagination.

## Chapter 31

### To Those to Help Us: The Community Helpers Activity



In our life we meet many people who help us in the many tasks we undertake in our daily lives. Right from the milk we drink, brought by the milkman; to the car we drive, safely guided by the traffic policeman; to the roads we walk on, kept clean by the sweepers, many people play a very important role in keeping our community and society safe, clean and organised.

And to bring about an understanding of these special people, the Nursery section arranged a Community Helpers activity in which our little ones participated. Dressed in proper attire and using props wisely, the toddlers took part in myriad skits which in itself was an eye-catching performance.



## Chapter 32

# With Reverence to the Nation: Celebrating India's 74<sup>th</sup> Republic Day



S.B. Patil Public School celebrated the 74<sup>th</sup> Republic Day of Independent India on the wintery morning of January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at the school premises.

The entire teaching staff, students of Grades VI to IX and members of the Parent Teacher Association were present on this occasion. Snehal Shelke and Sayali Shinde Shelke, two Shiv Chhatrapati award winning sisters, were the special guests of the programme. Both of them have represented India in the sport of rowing at the international level.

The programme commenced with the nation's tricolour flag being unfurled by principal, Dr. Bindu Saini. Along present were vice-principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda; primary coordinator, Ms. Shubhangi Kulkarni; section coordinators: Ms. Nirupama Kale, Ms. Vandana Sangle and Ms. Archana Prabhune; administrative officer, Mr. Manish Dhekale; and the sports faculty, and the special guests.

After the flag hoisting, students of Grades VIII to IX performed a march-past in perfect synchrony to the thumping of the drum. This ended with a beating halt to the patriotic melody of the flag song or *Jhanda Geet* which was sung by the school's music group led by music teachers Ms. Sulochana Pawar and Mr. Prathamesh Inamdar. As members of the Student Council went on to pay their respect by saluting the flag, Sejal Nikam and Rudra Kharatmal, both students of VII-G, compered the event.



The music group then further went to perform a melodious and heroic patriotic song. Under the mentorship of Ms. Nirupama Kale, Ms. Tripti Brijwasi and Ms. Vandana Sangale, students Mishka Kashliwal, Gauravi Mauka and Tanishka Patil spoke about the importance of Republic Day in passionate and powerful speeches in English, Hindi and Marathi respectively. They stressed on how every citizen of India should always be alert to maintain the sovereignty of India. They further emphasised that how the sacrifice of the soldiers who laid down their lives for us on the border should not go in vain.



Honouring the world's largest and most successful democratic identity, principal, Dr. Saini expressed her belief that India will be known as a peaceful, glorious, powerful, strong, trustworthy country in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

Following this students displaying exemplary performances at inter-school and district-level sports events were felicitated by dignitaries. Also felicitated were our proud winners at the State-level Marshal Cadet Force Inter-school March-past Competition who bagged the seventh position.

Mentoring our school troop were sports Instructors Mr. Shrikant Deshpande, Ms. Gauri Utture and Mr. Chandrakant Thombare. Our principal Dr. Bindu Saini was a special invitee to the event organised by Novel International School on the occasion of the 75<sup>th</sup> Indian Army Day on January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

As the events of Republic Day unfolded, special guest, Snehal Shelke went on advise the students to excel holistically in both sports and studies and make their personality effective. She cited examples emphasising that nothing comes for free and with ease. Persistence, perseverance, endeavour and steadfast ambitions pave the way to a glorified human living, be it any walk of life.

Under the guidance of sports teachers Mr. Dhanaji Patil, Ms. Gauri Uttare, Mr. Chandrakant Thombre, Mr. Sandeep Ghadge, Mr. Shrikant Deshpande and Ms. Sunita Vasudev the students of Grade VII gave an excellent performance of the Lezim and ended it with by holding up and waving the flag in veneration. The students performed an exciting patriotic dance under the choreography of dance teacher, Mr. Ajay Chawaria.

The grand celebration came to a riveting finish as Ms. Swaleha Mujawar, the CCA in-charge, who also gave the introduction to the programme, brought it to an end with the Vote of Thanks.

The Board of Trustees of Pimpri-Chinchwad Education Trust: Mr. Dnyaneshwar P. Landge, Chairman; Ms. Padma M. Bhonsle, Vice Chairperson; Mr. Vitthal S. Kalbhor, Secretary; Mr. Shantaram D. Garade, Treasurer; Mr. Harshwardhan S. Patil, Trustee; and Dr. Girish M. Desai, Executive Director wished and congratulated the students on the occasion of Republic Day.



The ceremony was guided by the vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda; pre-primary coordinator, Ms. Shubhangi Kulkarni, CCA in-charges Ms. Erekar Durga Bhavani and Ms. Swaleha Mujawar; along with the faculty members.

We thank every person whose involvement in this programme made it a success: the principal, Dr. Saini; vice principal, Ms. Banda; primary coordinator, Ms. Kulkarni; section coordinators: Ms. Kale, Ms. Sangle and Ms. Prabhune; administrative officer, Mr. Dhelake; all the sport faculty; the music department: Ms. Sulochana Pawar and Mr. Prathamesh Inamdar; the art and rangoli team of the pre-primary section who decorated the floor of the school foyer with rangoli of the Constitution of India and the Indian Parliament House; the dance teacher: Mr. Ajay Chawaria; the IT team: Mr. Abhijeet Gaikwad and Mr. Aman Yadav; and all whose contribution made this day's event a splendid success.

Meanwhile, in the pre-primary section, our young patriots took part in the following activities: Nursery students made tricolour maps of India using handprint painting; Junior KG students drew and coloured the National Flag; and Senior KG Students made tricolour flowers using paper strips. To add to the spirit of nationalism, a patriotic song and dance performance was organised for the students by the teachers. The celebration ended with an inspiring speech given by the teacher.

अनेकता में एकता ही इस देश की शान है, इसलिए मेरा भारत महान है।

## Chapter 33

### Celebrating Opposites that Complement: The Pre-primary Black and White Day



S.B Patil Public School's pre-primary section celebrated Black and White Day on January 31st, 2023. Black is most commonly associated with power, authority and strength. On the other hand, white is directly linked to that which is righteous, good and peaceful. They both are opposites which complement each other.

Our kindergartners were welcomed on this day with decorations themed in black and white on soft boards of the classrooms displaying a multitude of black and white objects such as pandas, chess boards, and footballs; along with charts displaying the concept of day and night whilst highlighting it with the caption *"Don't compare your child to others there is no comparison between the sun and moon, they shine when it's their time."*

The young learners were dressed in black and white attire. They were asked to name objects they saw around them which exist in black and white, after which the teacher discussed objects displayed on the soft boards, and explained the concept of day and night. To add variety, they were also shown shadow acts with students and teachers making different shadows of birds, animals, etc.

The pre-primary section had arranged different activities for students to develop their gross and fine motor skills: Nursery students had paper tearing and pasting on a zebra activity; the Junior KG students made paper envelopes and thanksgiving cards for our community helpers, and gifted it to them with a sweet gesture of thank you and a smile on their face; whilst the Senior KG students made a cute penguins using palm printing. Children in this way honed their skills and learnt to show gratitude towards all who help them.



## Chapter 34

### The Marathi Balgeet Activity



Using one's mother tongue not only improves a child's learning outcome but also instils knowledge of the language. Balgeet refers to children's songs or songs for children. Learning rhymes and rhythms helps the young ones to not only increase their vocabulary but also expand their imagination as well.

To embrace the expressions of our tiny tots, a Marathi Balgeet activity for the Senior

KG section was conducted. Students were high with enthusiasm as they got a chance to express and recite various *balgeets*. Their cheerful imaginations too were unleashed on stage.

Students really enjoyed reciting the *balgeets* and moving to the rhythm of the same. To conclude, the activity added to their stage confidence, recitation skills, actions and expressions.



## Chapter 35

### Artistic Skills at Display: The Pre-primary Origami Activity



The Pre-primary section of S.B. Patil Public School conducted an Origami activity on February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Students of Junior KG participated in this creative venture with great zeal and high spirits.

The tiny tots were amazed to see a flat sheet of paper being transformed by folding into a finished sculpture. The budding stars

created unique and exclusive shapes and structures to showcase their finesse in paper crafting. They made animals, trees and birds relevant to the theme of nature given by teachers, and displayed them with great pleasure and gratification. This activity put to the test their imagination and enhanced their creative skills.



The paper folding craft was not only a fun-filled experience but it also proved to be a valuable means to develop artistic skills in the young ones.

## Chapter 36

### Ad Maestros in the Making: The Nursery Ad Mad Show



Advertising is a method used to sell a product by making it attractive to the seller. To acquaint students with promotional strategies in marketing through advertisements, S.B. Patil Public School organised an Ad-Mad Show competition for the students of Nursery.

The students participated with a lot of enthusiasm. The competition helped the students enhance their skills in expression, voice modulation and dialogue delivery. Most of the students came up with unique ideas and well-written scripts for the advertisements. They advertised simple things like pencil, erasers, tiffin boxes, etc. It was an excellent learning experience.



## Chapter 37

### Of Knots and Claps: At the Scout and Guide Camp



made in an exhibition.

Special Guests for the day were: Mr. Digamber Karande, ALT Scout, Pune District Organiser Commissioner; and Ms. Shama Shikalgar, LT Guide, Pune District Training Commissioner Guide. The guests were welcomed by the principal, Dr. Bindu Saini. They were escorted to the exhibition area where they inaugurated it. They then proceeded to school's gardening zone wherein they planted flower and plant saplings.



Later, in the auditorium, both guests gave students present information on the Scout and Guide practice, and also conducted a first aid session for all students.

We thank Mr. Kuldeep Ghadage, Ms. Rohini Kanake, Ms. Vandana Sangle, Ms. Suchita Phulari, Ms. Yogita Deshmukh,

Mr. Sanjay Vispute, Ms. Sandeep Ghadge and Mr. Dhanaji Patil for organising and carrying out the camp.



We also thank principal, Dr. Bindu Saini; vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda; primary coordinator, Ms. Shubhangi Kulkarni. Our gratitude also goes out to the special guests who mentoring our young scouts; and finally a big round of applause to all the young scouts who partook in the event and made it a success.

## Chapter 38

# Of Good Touch, Bad Touch, and Gender Sensitivity: A Session by the SHY Foundation



For Junior KG to Grade V, a “Good Touch, Bad Touch” session was conducted; whilst for Grades VI to IX, a gender sensitisation session and cyber awareness was conducted by Ms. Reshamm Bamb from the SHY Foundation.

On February 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023, the SHY Foundation conducted a session for the students of pre-primary to Grade IX so as to raise awareness of the POCSO Act.



After the session, there was an interaction between students and the speaker. Students were also advised to approach appropriate adults so as to discuss of any type of issue which was covered in the session.

The SHY Foundation also gave fundraising/ donation cards to the students, wherein they can voluntarily donate. The funds are used to help the victims of sexual assault and natural calamities.

The HM, Ms. Shubhangi Kulkarni; and Section Coordinators, Ms. Vandana Sangle and Ms. Archana Prabhune felicitated and expressed gratitude to Ms. Bamb for imparting knowledge and awareness to the students.

## Chapter 39

### Learning to be Little Chefs: The Pre-primary Fireless Cooking Activity



Learning about fireless cooking helps children develop survival skills and the confidence to be independent; and so, S.B. Patil Public School organised a Fireless Cooking activity on February 20th, 2023 for the pre-primary section's Junior KG students

Students tried their hands at recipes like Monaco biscuit sandwiches with toppings; puffed *puris* with corn stuffing; Monaco biscuit toppings with corn and cheese; and healthy *bhel* and *masala papad* with *boondi*. These recipes encouraged children to be self-directed and independent. It also taught them to follow step-wise directions and develop problem-solving skills.



## Chapter 40

# For the Wellbeing of One and All: Hosting a Student Medical Check-up



On February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2022, a team from Talera Hospital in PCMC held a medical check-up for students aged 6 to 15 years. This check-up was conducted as part of the Jagruk Palok Sudrud Balak drive - to spread awareness about children's health among parents, and to make them aware about taking care of their child's health right from the start,

### Over

2,000 students from S.B. Patil Public School partook in this drive as the team from Talera Hospital checked the students class-wise at the school's multipurpose hall.



We thank the principal, Dr. Bindu Saini; vice principal, Ms. PadmaVati Banda; administrative officer, Mr. Manish Dhekale; the school nurse, Ms. Sujata Bhalerao; and of course, the team for Talera for organising and conducting this essential activity.

## Chapter 41

# The Little Narangis: Celebrating the Pre-primary Orange Day



Having colour-themed days is a great way to introduce and reinforce the colours to young children. The Pre-primary section of S.B. Patil Public School celebrated Orange Colour Day February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

Orange is a dynamic colour that radiates warmth. It stimulates activity, appetite and encourages socialisation. It is associated with optimism, energy and conveys a message of positivity.

The tiny tots donned orange outfits as they partook in various creative activities like orange peeling and arranging peeled oranges to form different things like Ganesh idols, flowers, turtles, fish, crabs, etc. After these activities, the children relished and enjoyed the sweet and sour flavour of the oranges.



The little ones enjoyed a lot and it was indeed a pleasure to witness them dressed up in orange attire bubbling with energy and fascination. In a nutshell, the purpose of this activity was fulfilled with each and every child emitting enthusiasm and zest.



## Chapter 42

### Celebrating Marathi Bhaasha Diwas



On February 27th, 2023, S.B. Patil Public School celebrated Marathi Bhaasha Diwas. The event began early morning on the day with a welcoming by Ms. Manjusha Nathe, the secondary Marathi Language teacher.

Commencing the event, vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda; and section coordinator, Ms. Vandana Sangle garlanded the photo of V.V. Shirvadkar who was an eminent Marathi poet, playwright, novelist and short story writer, who wrote of freedom, justice and emancipation of the deprived.

The school's choir group, headed by Ms. Sulochana Pawar, performed a song that highlighted the significance of Marathi as a language. Partaking in the programme were the students from Grades VII and VIII partook in the event.



Presentation on Marathi Bhaasha Diwas was played. This highlighted the important turning points in Marathi history, the famous historical figures, the renowned places across Maharashtra, and the famous personalities.

They gave a speech on the occasion, and on Saade Teen Shakti Peethe or the 3.5 Divine Powerhouses in Maharashtra; partook in a skit on Women's Empowerment; and performed a captivating dance on Evoking Women Empowerment.

As the event came to a close, an AV





CCA in-charge, Ms. Swaleha Mujawar took to stage and briefly have a closing speech on the journey of Marathi Language - from the regional Marathi to the Standard Marathi that is spoken today.

She highlighted that how Marathi

Bhaasha Diwas is celebrated because it is the day, February 27<sup>th</sup>, is the birth anniversary of the renowned Marathi Poet V. V. Shirwaadkar who was the first recipient of the prestigious Dnyanpeeth Award in Marathi Literature; and thus, to honour this achievement, the Govt. of Maharashtra established the day as Marathi Bhaasha Diwas.

For the primary grades of I and II, Marathi Bhaasha Diwas celebrations were held on March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023. Students were dressed up in Maharashtrian attire with boys dressed in dhoti-kurta and kurta pyjamas, and girls dressed in Navari sarees.



The programme commenced with the lamp-lightning by the primary section head, Ms. Shubhangi Kulkarni. Three regular prayers were sung by students followed by a special hymn, "Hich Aamchi Praathana"

With anchoring done by students in Marathi, a welcome dance was performed by students on "Labhle he Bhagya Amhas Bolto Marathi." The celebration encompassed speeches on the occasion and Marathi festivals, songs, a ramp walk in traditional attire, a Gondal dance that was performed enthusiastically, and a tribute to the Marathi poet Vishnu Vaman Shirwadkar, who was popularly known as Kusumagraj. And with this, the celebration was brought to a close.



## Chapter 43

### Encouraging Reading: A Book Donation by Parents

*"Reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body."* - Joseph Addison (1672 - 1719)



Reading is not only an art but a productive activity that builds character, enhances knowledge, boosts one's imagination, expands one's mind and mindset, nurtures understanding, and drives away laziness and boredom by creating a fun-filled hobby and interest.

To commemorate the birthday of their daughter, Anvi Tarte - our student from Junior KG - her parents, Mr. Ganesh Tarte and Ms. Anagha Tarte donated the story books for the school library. We are immensely thankful to them for this wonderful gesture.

# Chapter 44

## The Pre-primary Picnic at Lekha Farm



The Academic Year 2022 -23 came to an end with a day filled with enjoyment for our pre-primary section. The little ones were taken to the year-end picnic to Lekha Farms on March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

The year witnessed many monthly activities, festive enjoyments, colour days, etc. that ensured the holistic development of our students. All

these fun-filled learning whilst doing activities have, through the year, created manifold sweet memories to remember. To add a cherry on the cake, S.B. Patil Public School organised the day-long picnic with many activities, games and shows for the kiddies and their beloved teachers.



The toddlers were super-excited and thrilled as they set out all ready with a backpack filled with snacks and goodies for the picnic, singing songs all the way in the school bus till they reached the venue.



They were amused to be welcomed by a pleasing, radiant faced Charlie Chaplin and a stilt-walker at the entrance. The students were then escorted for breakfast where they enjoyed idli-sambhar and poha. After a good breakfast, they moved on to see the Puppet and Magic Show, which of course they thoroughly enjoyed.

They got their hands tattooed by a tattoo artist, and then went on to play the jumping jacks, took toy train ride, played on the merry-go-rounds and so on went until they were tired



They finally took a break for some munching, chit-chat and selfies with friends and teacher. Getting enough rest, they were all charged up to have a blast to the DJ's beats on the dance floor. But the fun didn't end here. There went on to enjoy a play garden time before they headed to lunch.

A yummy lunch laid out for them with their favourite foods: pav bhaji, fried rice, fryums and gulab jamuns. Little ones gorged on the delicious food until their tummies were full. As it was time to leave, they were given ice creams, which they relished. With tired yet happy faces, voices filled with fun and laughter, a day full of enjoyment, and bag full of sweet memories, the tiny tots returned to the school where parents awaited them to eagerly hear how they spent their day such a wonderful day.

## Chapter 45

### The Last Day of School: A Pre-primary Section Memoir



*With grey winters turning to bright summers,  
With cloudy skies turning to sunshine all around,  
Another year has come to an end.*

With another annual year coming to an end, those tiny feet, which once hesitantly walked into their new classes a year ago, will soon march out a step higher. Those hands which scribbled crayons randomly have learnt good formations. The entire year was a carnival with echoes of laughter, cheers, teamwork and much more to the list.



As a token of love, all the teachers prepared handmade take-away mementoes for the little ones to cheer them up as they embarked on a new journey. It was a bittersweet moment for both teachers as well as students as some were excited on this new venture, yet teary-eyed as they left their classrooms and class teachers. Teachers received tight hugs from the toddlers with promises made that they will come to meet their teachers in the coming years too. Goodbyes were hard yet had the sweetness of dreams to be chased.

## Chapter 46

# A Farewell but Not Goodbye: The Senior KG Graduation Day



more graduations to come.

The toddlers, who knew no one at school, now graduate along with so many of their friends; the tiny tots, who once came as strangers, now have loads and loads of memories to cherish lifelong.

This was an important day to celebrate their big leap of achievements. Parents, with their heads held high, attended the celebration as students, dressed in little graduation gowns, were called on the stage, and presented with a graduating certificate at the hands of the principal, Dr. Bindu Saini; vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda; primary section head, Ms. Shubhangi Kulkarni; and their respective class teachers.



Students posed as photos were taken and cheers and claps resounded throughout the auditorium. The little ones left with smiling faces ready for their new ride of life.



We thank Dr. Saini, Ms. Banda, Ms. Kulkarni; the sub-coordinators, Ms. Payal Nihalani and Ms. Nayna Taru; all the pre-primary section teachers; the administrative officer, Mr. Manish Dhekale; and our IT assistant, Mr. Aman Yadav for all the efforts put into making this event a success.

## Chapter 47

### Inculcating the Passion for Reading: The Let's Read Book Fair



of March.

On the 29<sup>th</sup> of March, the event was inaugurated by the principal, Dr. Bindu Saini. Also present were the librarians: Ms. Swati Khaire and Ms. Anjali Garge; the student members of the Library Club: Darshil Mali and Aishini Tiwari for presenting the principal with flowers and a book as a token of appreciation; Hridaya Nawal for narrating a self-composed script on reading and books; Sarthak Patani, for reciting a poem on the wonders of reading on imagination; and finally, Netra Chapparwal for her Vgoot of Thanks.



Our gratitude goes out to the principal, Dr. Bindu Saini; vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda; primary section head, Ms. Shubhangi Kulkarni; the administrative officer, Mr. Manish Dhekale for overseeing the organizing of this event.

We thank our librarians, Ms. Swati Khaire and Ms. Anjali Garge, along with Mr. Mukesh Jadhav and the team from Let's Read for their work to promote the habit and passion for reading. We also thank Ms. Varsha Kulkarni for helping out with the decorations.

We sincerely hope this is just the beginning to many more such meaningful collaborations.

PART II

**COMPETITIONS AND CONFERRINGS**

# Chapter 1

## *La fête nationale*



This year Rachna Sagar Publications had organised the **All India French day competition** which was held on the occasion of **Bastille Day, 14<sup>th</sup> July 2022**.

The students learning French language at S.B. Patil Public School had an opportunity to participate in the same. The faculty Ms Sumati has received an E-certificate of Appreciation and each participant has received an E-certificate of participation.

Following is the list of the participants:

Grade	Student Name	Activity Performed
Grade VI	Arshaan Kadri	Une carte
	Bhikan Yawalkar	Une carte
	Kamakshi roy	Une carte
	Lopamudra Srivastav	Une carte
	Ruchika Jain	Une carte
	Maanya Datar	Une carte
	Rayna Peswani	Une carte
	Samiya Inamdar	Une carte
	Shravani Patil	Une carte
	Kavin Doshi	Une carte
	Rudraunsh Shewale	Une carte
	Kavya Mudholkar	Une carte
	Sonakshi Singh	Une carte
	Swara Parate	Une carte
	Amod Hirave	Une carte
Grade VII	Pranav Bhondave	Le modèle
	Siddhant Borge	Une carte
	Ekansh Ghosh	Une carte
	Ashley Lanelle	Une carte
	Isha Choudhary	Une carte
Grade VIII	Gauri Sutar	Le modèle
	Abhuday Mhaske	Une carte

	Ankita Choudhary	Une carte
	Shravani Birari	Une carte
	Darshan Choudhary	Une carte
	Naitik Sanmukhani	Une carte
	Vaishnavi Patil	Une carte
Grade VIII	Aayushi Ghadge	Une carte
	Advika Vyawahare	Une carte
	Roshni Shimpi	Une carte
	Divy Deshmukh	Une carte
	Aadya Ghanekar	Une carte
	Anvi Singh	Une carte
	Saatvik Rathi	Une carte
	Tanish Shiraskar	Une carte
	Tanishka Pachlag	Une carte
	Vidhi C.	Une carte
Grade IX	Anirudh Gupta	La France
	Daksh Kumawat	La France
	Maahil Parmar	Une carte
	Taushree Kindle	Le modèle
Grade X	Rutuja Gokhale	Une carte

Following is the list of the winners:

Grade	Student Name	Activity Performed	Rank (1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> )
Grade VI	Arshaan Kadri	Une carte	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	Bhikan Yawalkar	Une carte	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Kamakshi roy	Une carte	3 <sup>rd</sup>
	Lopamudra Srivastav	Une carte	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	Ruchika Jain	Une carte	3 <sup>rd</sup>
	Maanya Datar	Une carte	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	Rayna Peswani	Une carte	3 <sup>rd</sup>
	Samiya Inamdar	Une carte	3 <sup>rd</sup>
	Shravani Patil	Une carte	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	Rudraunsh Shewale	Une carte	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Sonakshi Singh	Une carte	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	Amod Hirave	Une carte	1 <sup>st</sup>
Grade VI	Pranav Bhondave	Le modèle	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Ekansh Ghosh	Une carte	3 <sup>rd</sup>
	Ashley Lanelle	Une carte	3 <sup>rd</sup>

	Isha Choudhary	Une carte	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Gauri Sutar	Le modèle	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Abhuday Mhaske	Une carte	3 <sup>rd</sup>
	Ankita Choudhary	Une carte	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	Darshan Choudhary	Une carte	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	Naitik Sanmukhani	Une carte	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	Vaishnavi Patil	Une carte	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Grade VIII	Aayushi Ghadge	Une carte	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	Advika Vyawahare	Une carte	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Roshni Shimpi	Une carte	3 <sup>rd</sup>
	Divy Deshmukh	Une carte	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Aadya Ghanekar	Une carte	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Anvi Singh	Une carte	3 <sup>rd</sup>
	Saatvik Rathi	Une carte	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	Tanish Shiraskar	Une carte	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Tanishka Pachlag	Une carte	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Grade IX	Anirudh Gupta	La France	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	Daksh Kumawat	La France	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	Maahil Parmar	Une carte	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Taushree Kindle	Le modèle	1 <sup>st</sup>
Grade X	Rutuja Gokhale	Une carte	1 <sup>st</sup>

## Chapter 2

### At the Elementary and Intermediate Drawing Competition



On September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022, the Govt. of Maharashtra organised an Elementary and Intermediate Drawing Competition. A total of 60 students partook in the event with 50 for the elementary section and the remainder for the intermediate section. All students received winning certificates with over 50% of participants receiving an "A" grade.



The principal, Dr. Bindu Saini; vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda; and primary coordinator, Ms. Shubhangi Kulkarni felicitated all the winners.

We congratulate all the winners and thank Mr. Sanjay Vispute, the school's art instructor for mentoring and guiding the students so well.

## Chapter 3

### Words Worthy of Dhirams: At the International Parliamentary Debate



On November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Netra Chhaparwal of IX-A partook in a parliamentary debate, and won the first prize for it. Following is her narrative of the event:

*"The Parliamentary Debate is basically a debate that improves valuable analytical and speaking skills, and enables discussion of important issues whether scientific, historical, religious or political. It contributes by challenging them to make defensible judgements in which they must critically investigate complex issues, question given assumptions, evaluate the reliability of data and consider alternative perspectives. The specific formats, rules and conventions of international parliamentary debating vary in different nations and leagues.*

*On November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022, there was an international parliamentary debate (online mode on zoom) was conducted by the: Dubai Public Academy in which more than 75 delegates from over 40 countries participated. The agenda tabled for the debate was Women's Safety and Rights. I suggested many amendments in international laws as well as domestic laws which would make women of every nation safer and strong.*

*It was prodigious moment for me to win first prize of 220 Dhiram while representing S.B. Patil Public School on such a prestigious platform. I am thankful to everyone who helped, coached and mentored me so that I could do so well.*

*I thank the principal, Dr. Saini ma'am; the vice principal, Padmavati ma'am; Anjali Gugale ma'am; my parents and everyone who supported me."*

Thank you, Netra for this wonderful testimony. We heartily congratulate you for your efforts and win. We wish you the very best for all your future endeavours.

## Chapter 4

# The First in Drawing, Singing and Drama: Winning the PCMC B-Kshetra Karyalaya Chinchwad Competition



Under the *Campaign Clean India*, on November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Pimpri Chinchwad Municipal Corporation's, Ward B Office, Chinchwad, Pune - 411033 had organised various competitions comprising of making short films, jingles (singing), poster-making/ drawing, mural-making and street plays on the burning topics like Plastic Ban, Waste Segregation, Cleanliness of Premises and the three Rs:- Reduce, Reuse and Recycle. Students from many schools had participated in these competitions.

The awards and certificate distribution ceremony took place on December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at the PCMC Ward B Office at Chinchwad, Pune.

We could not be more elated to announce that the faculty and students from S.B. Patil Public School won the first prizes in the jingle, drawing and street play categories.

Headed by Mr. Kuldeep Ghadage and Mr. Prathamesh Inamdar, who also composed and wrote the lyrics for the jingle, Shamika Bhave and Asmita Ukarande from V-E; with Anisha Sawant and Anudnya Mahadik from V-F were the talented students whose voices captivated the judges.



Mentored by Mr. Sanjay Vispute, Advika Vyawhare, Samruddhi Nevgire and Tanushree Kindle from Grade VIII; along with Ishika Patil from Grade X partook in the drawing competition. Tanushree Kindle from S.B. Patil Public School, Std. 9th A had participated in the poster-making competition on the topic, the Three Rs - Reduce, Reuse and Recycle and stood first amongst all participants.

Under the guidance of Ms. Manjusha Nath e and Ms. Jeet Kaur, Kaustubh Salunke, Harshvardhan Nimankar, Vedant Nichit, Aditya Thombare and Sunidhi C. of IX-A; Shaurya Gawade of IX-B; Sairaj Kanse from IX-; Shlok Bhosale, Adwita Kurle and Unnati Magar from IX-D; along with Praneet Khandarkar, Pushkar Nikam, Jitesh Reddy, Atharva Bhise and Ritika Bhatia from IX-E won the street play competition.

We are proud of everyone who participated, won and made themselves and us raise our heads high. We thank all the mentors and teachers who devoted their time to training our students. We also thank the principal, Dr. Saini; vice principal, Ms. Banda; primary coordinator, Ms. Kulkarni; all the section heads and teachers whose efforts and dedication contributed to this win.

## Chapter 5

### Quizzing to Collaborate: The Twinning Programme Collaborative Activities, Part 1



On November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022, S.B. Patil Public School hosted a general knowledge quiz competition as part of the Twinning Programme Collaborative Activities with Beena English Medium School for the students of Grade V.

Sixteen students partook in the programme (two students per house per school). Topics for the quiz ranged from Music, Sports, Eminent Personalities, Science and Technology, Medicine, Films, Global Achievements. The Quiz had four rounds: a General Round, Rapid Fire Round, Audio Round and Visual Round.

Considering that it was collaborative activity the quiz was conducted without any winners being declared so as students are not deprived of feeling valued. The event followed by snacks for all students and faculty.



skills amongst the students

Students enjoyed the activity and were happy to collaborate with peers from different schools. Students from Beena English Medium School were excited to visit a different school and be part of an activity with full zeal. The entire event surely did inculcate social development

We thank the principal, Dr. Bindu Saini; vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda; the organising committee: Ms. Shubhangi Kulkarni, Ms. Sakina Bootwala, Ms. Archana Prabhune, Ms. Ankita Thakare, Ms. Peeyusha Nandedkar, Ms. Saayalee Joshi and Ms. Anjali Pawar. We also thank the team and students of BEMS for visiting our school and participating so well.



## Chapter 6

### The Chinmaya Mission Geeta Chanting Competition



On December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022, the Chinmaya Mission organised its Annual Geeta Chanting Competition in which students of the pre-primary and primary section participated.

We feel proud to announce that Raghav Inamdar from the pre-primary section; and Shravya Ambekar from Grade 1

secured the 1<sup>st</sup> rank in Group A (which was for students of LKG and UKG); and 3<sup>rd</sup> rank in Group B (for students of Grades I and II) in the final round of competition.

We extend our heartiest congratulations to both the winners!



## Chapter 7

### Amidst Creativity Galore: At the Sanskar Jatra 2023 Drawing Competition



On January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023, the Sanskar Pratishtan Trust of Maharashtra organised the Sanskar Jatra 2023 competition. Over a thousand students from all over Pimpri Chinchwad partook in the artistic event.

Held at Bijli Nagar, Chinchwad, the theme of the topic was “Memory Drawing” with topics covering Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav, school ki swacchta, and designing saree borders and t-shirts.

From S.B. Patil Public School 24 students partook out of which the following won:

1. Amita Nerlikar won the 1<sup>st</sup> prize.
2. Advika Vyavahare won the 2<sup>nd</sup> prize.
3. Ruchi CHoudhari and Samruddhi Nevgire won the 3<sup>rd</sup> prize for their wonderful art work.

The students were trained by Mr. Sanjay Vispute, the art and craft teacher, and we are immensely grateful to him for mentoring the students so well. We also thank the principal, Dr. Bindu Saini and vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda, and everyone whose support and encouragement helped our young artists to perform so well.



Once again, we congratulate Amita, Advika, Ruchi and Samruddhi for their wins, and wish them the very best for the future.

## Chapter 8

# The Maharashtra State Sanskar Pratishthan Group Singing Competition



Two groups from S.B. Patil Public School participated in a group singing competition held on January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023 organised by the Sanskar Pratishthan, Maharashtra State.

We are proud to announce that under the

mentorship of our school music teachers, Mr. Prathamesh Inamdar and Ms. Sulochana Pawar, the students of Group 3 (Grades VI to VIII) and

Group 4 (Grades IX and X) both secured the second position. All the participating students in both groups were honored with trophies and certificates.



The names of the students who participated in this group singing competition are as follows:

### Group 3 (Grade VI to VIII)

S. No.	Name	Grade	Division
1.	Madhura Mahadik	VI	C
2.	Vansh Kshirsagar	VI	G
3.	Vrunda Kumbhar	VII	C
4.	Pranjal Beloshe	VII	C
5.	Aarna Zanje	VII	B
6.	Mugdha Bhise	VII	A
7.	Rudra Kharatmol	VII	G
8.	Ayush Bhise	VII	G
9.	Sejal Nikam	VII	G
10.	Vaiga Pravinkumar	VII	E
11.	Adwaita Deshpande	VII	D
12.	Snehal Patil	VII	G
13.	Arnav Nagpurkar	VII	G

**Group 4 (Grade IX to X)**

S. No.	Name	Grade	Division
1.	Soundarya Patil	VIII	A
2.	Prerna Khemnar	VIII	G
3.	Aadya Ghanekar	VIII	D
4.	Romisa Sayyad	VIII	E
5.	Lakshita Meena	VIII	E
6.	Vaidehi Varma	VIII	E
7.	Siddhi Vinchure	IX	C
8..	Asmita Lagad	IX	C
9.	Sucheta Rampure	IX	C
10.	Aditi Patil	IX	D
11.	Kumud Gurav	IX	A
12.	Arnav Nagpurkar	VII	G

On returning, the school principal, Dr. Bindu Saini; vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda Madam, primary coordinator Shubhangi Kulkarni congratulated the participating students of both groups.

We once again congratulate the students for winning this competition and wholesomely thank Mr. Inamdar and Ms. Pawar for training the students so wonderfully.

# Chapter 9

## La Persévérence Pour Réussir

Learning a language fosters cultural diversity. It benefits varied sections of the society; profoundly that of education and of profession. It ameliorates reasoning skills, problem solving skills and paves the way to develop an improved perspective.

Considered the best French Olympiad in India since 2012, Education & Beyond Pvt. Ltd. E&B has provided the school children with an institutional set-up to test their knowledge of the French language as well as the culture and civilizational aspects of France. French Olympiad has seen constant support from the Diplomatic Missions of francophone countries in India.

Like each year, this year, on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 and January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023, the students of S.B. Patil Public School participated in the International French Olympiad (IFLO) held by E&B under two levels, i.e., the Elementary Level Examination (ELE) and the National Level Examination (NLE). Each participant has received an E-certificate of participation and mark sheet.

**The ELE was held on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022. Following are the participants:**

<b>Elementary Level Examination</b>		
<b>S. No</b>	<b>Name of the Participants</b>	<b>Score</b>
1.	Rudra More	76%
2.	Saket Surana	74%
3.	Ekansh Ghosh	68%
4.	Anmol Shukla	64%
5.	Divy Deshmukh	62%
6.	Naitik Sanmukhani	66%
7.	Naman Jain	60%
8.	Ashley Lanelle	60%

**The NLE was held on January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Following are the participants:**

<b>National Level Examination</b>		
<b>S. No</b>	<b>Name of the Participants</b>	<b>Score</b>
1.	Saket Surana	74%
2.	Ekansh Ghosh	60%
3.	Naman Jain	56%
4.	Divy Deshmukh	56%
5.	Ashley Lanelle	50%

# Chapter 10

## AI for the Win, Round 1: The Regional-level RoboCup Junior Competition



S.B. Patil Public School, with pride, hosted the Regional-level RoboCup Junior Competition on Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup> and Monday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

The RoboCup Junior or RCJ is an event organised by the RoboCup Organisation, and is one of the most renowned robotics competitions. It focuses on STEM education and aims to introduce the larger goals of the RoboCup project of creating robots for primary and secondary school children aged 14 to 19 years.

The competition consisted of three categories: Rescue-Line, Rescue-Maze and On-stage. A training session was also conducted for all the teams/ schools a week prior to the event which proved to be immensely beneficial for all participants.

With weeks of preparations, the grand event was finally held on January 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023. The competition saw several prestigious schools from across Pune participate in it: The Orbis School, Mundhawa; The Orbis School, Keshav Nagar; Sancheti School, Thergaon; and City Pride School, Nigdi.



As many students were not versed in robotics, the robotics faculty at S.B. Patil Public School, Ms. Varsha Gawali, and the team took it upon them to hold a training session in the first week of January for the students.

A total of 17 teams participated the different categories. Judging the competition were: Dr. Sujit Mulay (BE, MTech, PhD) and Dr. Mahadev (BE, MTech, MISIE, PhD).

The winners will go on to compete in the national competition to be held at end of January 2023. The winners/ selected teams then will represent India in the international competition which will be held in France in July 2023.



Following are the list of winners in the different categories:

#### Category 1: Rescue Line

1. **Team:** Apex from S.B. Patil Public School  
**Team members:** Prathamesh Devshatwar, Devanshu Tiwari, Atharva Patil and Pushkar Nikam
2. **Team:** Tinkerlads from City Pride School  
**Team members:** Shuban Mane, Ojas Jain and Geetesh Patil
3. **Team:** Technoticks from City Pride School  
**Team members:** Kaustubh Uthale, Atiksh Kunkolienkar and Arnav Karke

#### Category 2: Rescue Maze

1. **Team:** The Unknown from S.B. Patil Public School  
**Team members:** Suyash Kadam, Swarit Kharche, Sawaraj Jadhav and Harshwardhan Godse
2. **Team:** Max X 9 from S.B. Patil Public School  
**Team members:** Sarvesh Gurav, Shiv Jadhav, Tejal Rakshe and Vedant Mali
3. **Team:** Atlantians from S.B. Patil Public School  
**Team members:** Darshil Mali, Vedant Nichit, Dhawla Patil and Vedant Ghotavadekar

#### Category 3: On Stage

1. **Team:** TOS 1 from The Orbis School, Keshav Nagar  
**Team members:** Akash Kumar Maurya and Mandar Kadao
2. **Team:** Army Bots from S.B. Patil Public School  
**Team members:** Aditi Naik, Roshni Shimpi, Vaidehi Verma and Saundarya Patil



We wholesomely thank everyone who acted as mentor and spent hours of planning and executing to make this event a success: Dr. Bindu Saini, principal; Ms. Padmavati Banda, vice principal; Ms. Shubhangi Kulkarni, primary coordinator; Mr. Manish Dhekale, administrative officer; Ms. Richa Arora, computer teacher and automation and digitisation in-charge; Ms. Varsha Gawali, Ms. Aakansha Agrawal and the entire robotics faculty.

We also lend our heartiest gratitude to Mr. David Prakash, Director of LSCL Robotics, Bangalore who is also the Indian Representative for all the international RoboCup competitions and events; and to Mr. Kikuchi San, CEO, SCCIP, Japan for his guidance and support.

We extend our thanks the PCET management and Board of Trustees: Mr. Dnyaneshwar P. Landge, Chairman; Ms. Padma M. Bhonsle, Vice Chairperson; Mr. Vitthal S. Kalbhor, Secretary; Mr. Shantaram D. Garade, Treasurer; Mr. Harshwardhan S. Patil, Trustee; and Dr. Girish M. Desai, Executive Director whose incessant support and guidance ensured that we were able to successfully organise this event, and that our students excel holistically.



Last but not the least, we thank and congratulate every participant and winner who gave their best to this event. We wish you all the success for the further competitions.

## Chapter 11

### At the Pariksha Pe Charcha Painting Competition



Pariksha Pe Charcha is an annual event held every year since 2018. During the event the Prime Minister of India interacts with students, teachers and parents from across the country, and shares valuable tips on how to take board and entrance exams in a relaxed and stress-free manner.

As part of the event, the CBSE organised the Pariksha Pe Charcha Painting Competition on January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023. Students of S.B. Patil School did not shy away from partaking in the competition.

Sixteen themes were provided for the competition. Such were: Exams are like Festivals - Celebrate Them; Be a Warrior, not a Worrier; Compete... with Yourself; It is Your Time, Make the Most of It; and many more such interesting topics.

Supervising the event were Mr. Sanjay Naikade and Mr. Vilas Patil, both officials from the Pimpri Chinchwad Municipal Corporation. They spoke briefly to all students on the event and wished them the very best. By the end of the session, they were thoroughly impressed seeing all the work our students had produced.

All artwork produced by our bright students was put up on display. We sincerely thank our principal, Dr. Bindu Saini; vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda Madam, coordinator Shubhangi Kulkarni Madam; administrative officer, Mr. Manish Dhekale; Mr. Sanjay Vispute and Ms. Kranti Kulkarni, the art faculty; and all those whose contribution big and small helped successfully organise the event.



## Chapter 12

### A Cherry on the Cake: The Twinning Programme Collaborative Activities, Part 2



students through various activities. A total of 140 students partook in the event with 114 students from our school.

The first event - a chart-making activity - was taken on the given topics of Global Warming, and Technology in pre and post-20<sup>th</sup> Century.

Each group had five students for the activity with some choosing Global Warming and others, Technology. Following this, the second activity - the Cake Decoration activity - was started. To commence this, a doll cake demo was shown by teachers, Ms. Ruksana and Ms. Shabana of BEMS to help students get ideas for the challenge.



Here, the students from S.B. Patil Public School and Beena English Medium School worked as a team to decorate the cake.

With both activities coming to a close, the winners were declared by the faculties, Mr. Kuldeep Ghadage and Ms. Rohini Kanake of our school; and Ms. Zarina Sain and Ms. Hera Khan of BEMS.

### For the Chart-making Activity:

1. The first prize for the went to the Yellow House of our school: Swara Dighe and Krisha Bhonsale, Kavya Patil and Abhilasha Mandake, all of V-C
2. The second prize went to the Blue House also of our school: Mehwish Shikalgar, Swala Nale, Sanidhya Bhonsale, Anwesha Yewale and Urvi Mashale, all of V-D
3. The third prize went to the Green House of S.B. Patil Public School: Tanishka Raghmod and Tanvi Waghode of V-D
4. The fourth prize went to the Red house of Beena English Medium School.

### For the Cake Decoration Activity:

The Yellow house of S.B. Patil Public School and Beena English Medium School won. The winners were Sharvari Khilare of V-G and Anisha Sawant of V-A.

The event was followed by snacks for all students and teachers. Students thoroughly enjoyed the activities and were happy to collaborate with peers from different schools. They were excited to visit a different school and be part of such interesting activities. The entire event surely did inculcate social development skills and the spirit of teamwork, instilling communication efficacy and confidence amongst the students of both schools.



We thank our principal, Dr. Bindu Saini; vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda; primary coordinator Ms. Shubhangi Kulkarni; secondary teacher, NABET Accreditation Coordinator, Ms. Sakina Bootwala; section coordinator, Ms. Archana Prabhune; teachers, Ms. Shubhangi Panmand, Ms. Rupali Patil and Ms. Rohini Kanake; and art, craft and music teacher, Mr. Kuldeep Ghadge.

We also fervently thank the principal Ms. Sameena Momin, the management; and faculties, Ms. Ruksana, Ms. Shabana, Ms. Zarina Sain and Ms. Hera Khan; and everyone else at Beena English Medium School for hosting this wonderful activity session.

We close this article with the feedback from both schools in this Twinning Programme Collaborative Activity:

*"It is great experience with Beena English Medium School. All the teachers and the entire team who organized such a fabulous event. It was great to see all the Students perform so well with lot of confidence."* - The S.B. Patil Public School Team

*"It was a great experience with S.B. Patil Public School. We hope that similar activities will be taken up in future also."* - The Beena English Medium School Team.

## Chapter 13

### The Little Wordsmiths: Participating in the Young Author's Fair



In January 2023, Bribooks held the National Young Author's Fair... an event wherein participating students could get their written work published, and even earn up to 25% royalties on it. Over 60 students from S.B. Patil Public School participated in the competition which saw entries from all over the country.

21 students were selected and had their books published. Following is the list of the winners:

S. No.	Student's Name	Class	Book Title
1.	Antriksh Dalvi	I-C	A Clever Boy
2.	Pranshu Satpute	II-E	A Magic of Dark Night
3.	Vivaan Patil	II-E	The Magical Pencil
4.	Kavya Damkondwan	II-H	Pup and a Beach Ball
5.	Atharva Alat	IV-A	Robots
6.	Arhaan Srivastava	V-A	My First Championship, Life without Friends
7.	Shravani Pawar	V-A	My Stories
8.	Pranali Bhatte	V-B	Jack and Jenny's Adventures
9.	Raavi Kapadnis	V-C	My Magical Story
10.	Johann Kidangan (Four Books Published)	V-D	The Kitsune
11.	Vansh Hamirani	V-D	The Great Indian Cricketer
12.	Gaurav Dorlikar	V-D	The Dreams of My India
13.	Pranjal Patil	V-D	What if the Sun Disappeared
14.	Priyesh Pal	V-D	The God of Cricket
15.	Aditya Raghuvanshi	VII-E	My Cute Secret of My Life
16.	Aarohi Nikam	VIII-A	Every Step
17.	Pranali Thorat	VIII-E	Science Behind the Nature
18.	Suparshwa Basagovdar	VIII-F	Book of Secrets: 1
19.	Tanishka Shinde	X-B	The Justice Game

20.	Sucheta Rampure	X-C	A Mystery for Hazel
21.	Yadyni Pawar	X-C	The Magic of Friendship

We congratulate all of our young authors on getting their works published, and wish them the very best for the future. We also thank BriBooks for holding such a productive event that had given a pedestal to all those with a passion for literature.

## Chapter 14

### AI for the Win, Round 2: The Indian National RoboCup Junior Competition

#### Day 1



With just a fortnight post the Regional RoboCup Junior Competition held on January 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023, S.B. Patil Public School was once again the proud host of the Indian National RoboCup Junior Competition on February 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023. The event saw 60 teams and over 220 students participating from schools from the North, South and West Zones.

On the morning of Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, the students arrived and assembled in S.B. Patil Public School's multipurpose hall and auditorium. Teams were accompanied by their respective school's faculties, and some of them even by their parents.

The main event commenced in the auditorium at 01:30pm with a welcome speech given by S.B. Patil Public School's vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda. This was followed by an introduction of all the chief guests-cum-judges.



For Day 1, the judges were: Dr. Arunkumar Bongale, a PhD in the field of Engineering and a faculty in Symbiosis Institute of Technology in the Department of Robotics and Automation; Ms. Nilima Kulkarni, who is associated with ShreeSTEM Academy; and Mr. Saurabh Jagtap, a highly motivated IT professional having more than 10+ years of experience in Project Lifecycle Management, Operation Management and Project Management.

Also present as our esteemed judges were: Mr. Nishant Dekate, a Master in Computer Management with 15 years of work experience in the IT industry, and who is currently working as the Data Center IT Project Manager with Wipro Technologies; Mr. Ranajit Patil, a mechanical engineer with four years of experience who currently works at Mechatron Robotics; Ms.

Shubhangi Tribhuvan, a BE in Electronics and Communication with two-and-a-half years of experience in software testing and a year in robotics teaching; and finally, Mr. and Mrs. David Prakash, Director, LSCL Robotics, Bangalore.



In addition to the prior day's judges, Day 2 saw Dr. Sushil Bedre, a PhD in Cognitive Science and the Principal Architect with Siemens Industry Softwares in the Research Areas - BCI, AI and Vision Technologies; and Ms. Priya Jadhav, who is a professor in the Department of Robotics and Automation at Symbiosis Institute of Technology, Pune.

Following their introduction, the guests proceeded to the lamp-lighting and prayer ceremony. Ms. Sulochana Pawar, the school's music teacher led students in a hymn to the Goddess Saraswati. Mr. David Prakash, Director, LSCL Robotics, then welcomed the student and faculty, wishing them the best.

With teams for the RoboCup Rescue Line moving to the multipurpose hall, the other teams commenced partaking in the Rescue Maze, On-stage and Soccer categories.

Both the auditorium and MPH were filled with the lively and animated hustle and bustle of students as they worked upon their robots, strenuously toiled on the programming, resorted to aid from the robotics faculty, all of this as the judges oversaw the performances.



With Day 1 concluding with Round 1 of 3, some teams ended the day spirited after winning, whilst others filled with hope to try harder and succeed in Round 2 and 3 which would then be conducted on Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

## Day 2

Day Two of the competition began early on Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023 by 08:30am. The school's auditorium and multipurpose hall were filled with students and their respective faculties who arrived early to prep for the event.



Round 2 and 3 involved the same performances as done in Round 1. The best of all three would be taken to arrive at the winning teams for each category. Being the last day, participants were more stressed taking all they learned the day prior and in the RoboCup Regionals.

The day proved to be far more competitive than prior participations since qualifying teams for the International Round would head to France in July 2023; and that is something every participant who had toiled so hard for this competition was looking forward to.

Post lunch, which was served for students, accompanying faculties and parents, and judges. Round 3 commenced. By 03:00pm, the competitions all ended, and judges went to assess the results. Meantime, all students gathered in the auditorium wherein they all watched the final round of the Soccer category which was projected for all to see.



Finally, the time arrived for the results to be announced. With participation certificates distributed to the team leaders, Ms. Swaleha Mujawar, the school's CCA in-charge made the final announcements. She invited Mr. David Prakash, Director, LSCL Robotics to take the stage. Mr. Prakash gave the Vote of Thanks, sharing his gratitude with each and every person who made the competition a success.

Faculty, parents, judges and students were all called to share their experiences of the event with the judges being thanked by and given a token of our appreciation by principal, Dr. Saini, vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda and Mr. David Prakash.

The time for announcing the winners, at last, came to pass. Principal, Dr. Bindu Saini; vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda; and all the judges were called forward to felicitate the winning teams.

The teams who won the various places and positions in the competition are as follows:



For the Rescue Line Category:

1. **Team:** Robolectro Voyagers from Robolectro Steam Studio  
**Team Members:** Aarrav Anil, Agastya Bali, Prathik Srinivasaraghavan and Aryan Bhatia
2. **Team:** Quadrex from Shiv Nadar School, Noida  
**Team Members:** Ayaan Suri, Manasvi Akula, Shaurya Mahajan and Vedang Darbari
3. **Team:** Metal Gears from Shiv Nadar School, Gurgaon  
**Team Members:** Navya Goenka and Aarav Kharbanda

For the Rescue Maze Category:

1. **Team:** NASA from S.B. Patil Public School, Pune  
**Team Members:** Aryan Mahajan, Soham Kukarni, Neel Gurav and Aadwik
2. **Team:** Mach X 9 from S.B. Patil Public School, Pune  
**Team Members:** Sarvesh Gurav, Shiv Jadhav, Tejal Rakshe and Vedant Mali
3. **Team:** Greenwood High 1 from Greenwood High International School, Sarjapur  
**Team Members:** Neel Bansal, Rohan Joshi, Akshara Bhat, Lalitha Rao

For the On-stage Category:

1. **Team:** Freeware Friends from Greenwood High International School, Sarjapur  
**Team Members:** Shresht Bhowmick, Prajwal Madhusudhana Reddy, Vishal Iyer, Aarush Mohan
2. **Team:** Varaha from BGS World School, Chickballapur  
**Team Members:** Srinandan Reddy, Niranjan S.L., Suraj Athreya P.S., and Chinmayi S.
3. **Team:** Robo Flamers from BGS World School, Nagarur  
**Team Members:** Udit U., Suvarna, Kushal K.M., Janya R., Thushara B. and Yashas S.

### For the Soccer Category:

1. **Team:** Tech Turtle from Shiv Nadar School, Faridabad  
**Team Members:** Mehul Kothari, Avi Saraf, and Yash Bhole
2. **Team:** Squadron from Shiv Nadar School, Faridabad  
**Team Members:** Saver Madra, Mukul Yadav, and Parth Sharma
3. **Team:** Omnipresent from Shiv Nadar School, Gurgaon  
**Team Members:** Pranet Khetan and Gaurvica Gupta

Further, special awards were given in each category. They are as follows:

### For the Rescue Line Category:

1. **Award:** Best Rescue Robot  
**Team:** Tech Angel  
**Team Members:** Nihar Sreetm, Aashi Ketu, Sunay P Mittal and Vipran Vasan
2. **Award:** Best Team Work  
**Team:** Survivor Trojans  
**Team Members:** Robin Bijo, Sharan J., Madhav S. and Guhan S.
3. **Award:** Best Technical Skill  
**Team:** Apex  
**Team Members:** Prathamesh Devshatwar, Athrav Patil, Pushkar Nikam and Devanshu Tiwari
4. **Award:** Best Overall Performance  
**Team:** Robolectro Voyagers  
**Team Members:** Aarrav Anil, Agastya Bali, Prathik Srinivasaraghavan, and Aryan Bhatia

### For the Rescue Maze Category:

1. **Award:** Best Programming Skill  
**Team:** Robo Dimensional Falcons  
**Team Members:** Aditya Sahu, Gautham Nair and Anvi Kholay
2. **Award:** Best Creativity and Innovation  
**Team:** Robo Flyers  
**Team Members:** Poornachandra V., Chhandas B., Aryan Gowda M.D. and Harshavardhan S.

3. **Award:** Best Robo Design

**Team:** Cyber Knights

**Team Members:** Aayushi Arora, Pradyun Senthil, Saadhika Santosh and Samarth Srivaths Karnam

4. **Award:** Best Overall Performance

**Team:** NASA

**Team Members:** Soham Kulkarni, Aryan Mahajan, Aditya Yerunkar and Neel Gurav

**For the On-stage Category:**

1. **Award:** Best Choreography

**Team:** Birdies

**Team Members:** Saundarya Patil, Roshani Shimpi, Aditi Naik and Vaidehi Verma

2. **Award:** Best Team Work

**Team:** TOS-1

**Team Members:** Akash Maurya and Mandar Kadao

3. **Award:** Best Programming Skill

**Team:** Ocean Warriors

**Team Members:** Hemanth C., Roshan P., Darshan K., and Gowtham K.

4. **Award:** Best Overall Performance

**Team:** Freeware Friends

**Team Members:** Shresht Bhowmick, Prajwal Reddy, Vishal Iyer and Aarush Mohan

**For the Soccer Category:**

1. **Award:** Best Design

**Team:** Squadron

**Team Members:** Saver Madra, Mukul Yadav, Parth Sharma

2. **Award:** Best Programming

**Team:** Omnipresent

**Team Members:** Pranet Khetan, Gaurvika Gupta



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Our thanks also goes out to all the parents and faculties of all the students who participated. They acted as mentors and pillars of support, especially bringing them all the way to Pune from across the country and being with them throughout the competition. We also thank the support staff of our school who tended to the need of the faculties and students; and of course we thank the Prowiz Team for helping us publish the certificates, ID cards and flexes.

We congratulate all the winners, and give a special round of applause to all the participants who worked so hard for this meritorious competition. We wish all the winners the very best as they proceed to the international round in France.

We thank everyone whose contribution, big or small, helped to make this event a grand



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Last but not the least, a standing ovation to the PCET management and Board of Trustees: Mr. Dnyaneshwar P. Landge, Chairman; Ms. Padma M. Bhonsle, Vice Chairperson; Mr. Vitthal S. Kalbhor, Secretary; Mr. Shantaram D. Garade, Treasurer; Mr. Harshwardhan S. Patil, Trustee; and Dr. Girish M. Desai, Executive Director. This event would not at all have been possible had it not been for their efforts, support and guidance.

To conclude, we would like to have in print, testimonials from those who partook in the event:

*"I recently had the privilege of participating in a tech-based competition called the Indian National RoboCup Junior competition, where schools from all over the country gathered to showcase their sophisticated robots and the acts they could perform. We can proudly say that the event was organised flawlessly by S.B. Patil Public School.*



*their skills in their respective categories. After the practice round, all students were invited to the canteen where they enjoyed a mouth-watering meal of Indian traditional food.*

*Then the main event began. Students from all categories started performing with their robots. The passion and technical skill displayed by all participants was truly remarkable, as every robot was unique and different.*

*The main attractions of the competition were the various categories that were offered. These included Rescue Line, Rescue Maze, Soccer, and On-Stage. Another major highlight was the delicious lunch that was provided at the venue.*

*The first day began with a practice round, where students were given time to hone their skills. After the practice round, all students were invited to the canteen where they enjoyed a mouth-watering meal of Indian traditional food.*





*In the Rescue Line category, teams had to build robots that followed a given black line, avoided obstacles, and rescued victims. In the Rescue Maze category, robots had to explore a maze, deploy kits when they encountered victims, and avoid specific areas. In the On-Stage category, robots were given the freedom to perform and spread a message. And last but not least, there was the Soccer category, which was probably the most exciting of all, with robots playing soccer. The robots were incredibly aggressive in trying to score a goal, leaving everyone who watched in awe.*

*Everyone was busy working on their robots, but no one missed the chance to interact with like-minded students. They shared ideas and discussed ways to make their robots more efficient, useful, and easy to work with. This helped all students get to know each other and gain valuable information. The second day went similarly, with students' enthusiasm undiminished.*



*The end of the third round was followed by the prize distribution, where awards were given out by the judges. Teams that did not receive awards were still gracious in defeat and focused on what they could learn from the event and from their fellow students. All teams took photographs to preserve their unforgettable experience.*

*I learned a lot from this event, but the main lesson was that we should never give up. My team personally did not create the best robot as compared to other but nonetheless, we kept trying and by the end of the third round, we were able to make a simple, functioning model. Had we given up earlier, we would have lost. But since we persevered, we were able to build a robot and run it. And since we gave it our all, we had no regrets when we lost. This was my biggest takeaway. We often hear quotes like this, but experiencing it first-hand is a completely different experience.”*

**- Darshil Mali (IX-A)**

*“The RoboCup Junior Nationals held on 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> February, 2023 gave each one of us an amazing opportunity to present our technical skills including coding, model building, presentation, etc.*

*We got an extraordinary experience, which actually gave us a feel of participating in a national-level competition. There was a friendly competitive environment all around. We even came across many problems, but we learned to face them sportily. There were many teams from all over the country and everyone had different experiences, which made the event even more interesting.*

*Everyone was so excited and eager to practice and run their model in the field and the excitement doubled and tripled up at the time of prize distribution. However, getting the recognition or not is secondary, but the experience that was gained by each one of us will be cherished forever. The sportsman spirit within us was even more awakened after this event.*

*The most important part was that we interacted with many new people starting from the judges to fellow participants. It was a fascinating experience participating in Indian National RoboCup Junior Competition.*

**- Dhawala Patil (IX-B)**

## Chapter 15

### The Shri Manache Shloka Competition



Manache Shloka means a dialogue with our mind. It is one of the most popular books by Samarth Ramdas Swami. Manache Shloka consists of a wealth of teaching for everyone about how to behave, how to control your mind, keep it on the righteous path away from all the distractions, how to secure goals and how to excel in achieving them.

To promote the habit of shloka recitals and to get the benefits of it an inter-school Manche Shloka Recitation Competition was organised for the students, teachers and parents by Samartha Bharat Abhiyan.

Our school saw a wholehearted participation from students of Nursery to Grade VIII. In the first round a total of 94 students and 9 parents participated from S.B. Patil Public School. We congratulate all the participants for attempting the first round.

The final round was held on February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at Vidyanand Bhavan, Nigdi. We take immense pleasure to share that out of 19 schools and 350 finalists, our students grabbed four prizes.



The prize distribution ceremony was held in Modern Shaikshanik Sankul, Yamunanagar, Nigdi. The Guest of Honour for the function was Mr. Samir Limaye, a Corporate Kirtankar.

**Winners of Manache Shloka Recitation Competition are as follows:**

1. Raghav P. Inamdar from Junior KG: **1<sup>st</sup> prize**
2. Shachi G. Lele from Nursery: **Consolation prize**
3. Shivansh M. Vhadadi from Junior KG: **Consolation prize**
4. Swarada Yadav from II-H: **Consolation prize**

S.B. Patil Public School wishes all the winners and participants hearty congratulations! Keep up your hard work, make shloka-chanting a part of everyday living, and enjoy the rewards that life brings.

## Chapter 16

### Celebrating a Year of Sportsmanship, Reading and Art



students and faculty from KG to Grade XI were awarded certificates and medals for their excellence in sports, reading and art.

Award ceremonies were conducted in the school's auditorium throughout the month of February before the students' final term ended and examinations commenced.

The sports department: Mr. Dhanaji Patil, Mr. Shrikant Deshpande, Mr. Chandrakant Thombre, Ms. Gauri Utture, Mr. Sandeep Ghadage, and Ms. Sunita Vasudeo drew up a list of all students from every grade who partook and excelled in a multitude of sporting activities. These students were felicitated by the principal, Dr. Bindu Saini; vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda; primary section head, Ms. Shubhangi Kulkarni; and the individual section coordinators: Ms. Nirupama Kale, Ms. Vandana Sangle and Ms. Archana Prabhune.

The holistic development of students is the creed of S.B. Patil Public School. Whilst academics has its own importance, co and extra-curriculars are equally imperative to ensure the all-round benefit and development of a student.

And so, to commemorate students, and celebrate the spirit of holistic development,

medals for their excellence in sports, reading and art.



The library too organised awards for best reader. Students who were avid readers were given certificates of merit for their passion towards reading. Faculty from every section: pre-primary, primary, middle, secondary and administration who were enthusiastic readers were too felicitated.

Many students had partaken in the Bribooks Youngest Author Competition wherein winning students would have their books published. Many students from our school partook in this competition, won and had their books published; they too were felicitated by the principal, vice principal and librarians.

The Kaladarpan Art Academy had organised a colouring and collage-making inter-school competition for the pre-primary section in 2021-22. Due to the lockdown, these awards could not be given; and thus the student recipients were laurelled during these award ceremonies held.



# Chapter 17

## Towards SDG-17: Celebrating Avishkar 2022-23

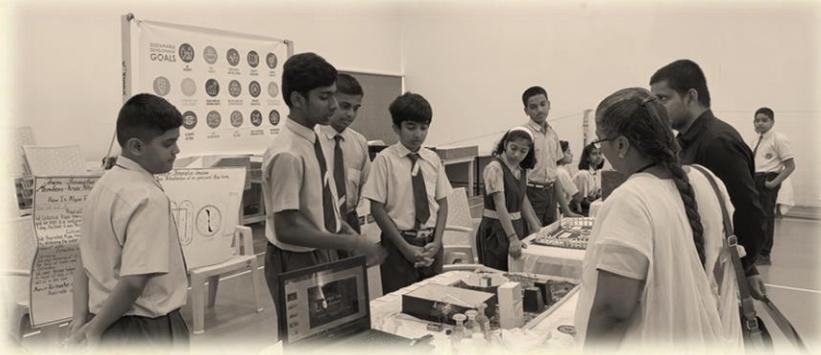


painting or sketching, and model making.

S.B. Patil Public School, has always worked towards bringing awareness; developing scientific temperament and habit of enquiry; exploring varied fields, discoveries and inventions; inculcating rational thinking and problem solving abilities; whilst also encouraging creativity; nurturing innovativeness; instilling free-thinking; imbibing the quality of team spirit and importance of teamwork; and exploring originality.

The theme of the year was Sustainable Development Goal (SDG-17).

With the last date for registration on February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023, and the PPT submission date on February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023, students were in three groups:



1. **Group I:** Painting or sketching (Grade III to V) with the topic of “Life Below Water” or “Life on Land” for Grade III; “Our Changing Earth” or “Climate Action” for Grade IV; and “More Crop per Drop” or “Nurture Nature for our Future” for Grade V.
2. **Group II:** Model Making (Grade VI to VIII)
3. **Group III:** Model-making (Grade IX to XII) with the topic of the UN’s Sustainable Development Goals as topics for both Groups II and III.



Participant schools were: Army Public School, Ghorpadi; Ashwini International School; City Pride School, Nigdi Pradhikaran; City Pride School, Moshi; City Pride School, Ravet; D.Y. Patil Dnyanshanti School, Akurdi; Vidya Niketan English Medium School; S. B. Patil Public School, Ravet.

On the day of the event, the students arrived in the morning with the students for drawing heading down to the school's multipurpose hall, and the model-making students heading to the school's auditorium. The drawing competition commenced by 10:00 am whilst the model-making students set up their models for the judges to evaluate.



Judging the event were veterans and professionals in the field of science. They were: Ms. Geetu Manocha, an associate with the GK Group of School, and an expert in art and craft; Prof. Nirmal Dushman, a post graduate in MSc (Environmental Science, and an assistant professor at PCCoER; and Ms. Snehlata Shelar, the Founder of Yashwant Electro Tech LLP, Pune, and an avid promoter of science.



Until noon, the judges visited each participant and team, questioning them on their projects. Post noon, the awards ceremony began. The auditorium was filled with the student participants, their teachers and parents.

This commenced with the lamp-lighting ceremony by the vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda; and the judges. They garlanded the image of Dr. Venkat Raman, and paid homage to the great leader. The school choir group led by Ms. Sulochana Pawar sang a hymn in tribute to the Goddess Saraswati. Following this, the judges were called in front and felicitated by Ms. Banda.

Compering the programme were Ms. Rucha Dandewate, Ms. Trupti Zarkar, Ms. Shaileja Mestry and Ms. Darshana Kamat. The students of Grade VII and VIII performed a captivating dance on Evoking Women Empowerment. Powerful performance received the applause of all present.

Comperes Ms. Zarkar took the audience through the history of Avishkar through the years; whilst Ms. Mestry elaborated on the UN's 17 Sustainable Development Goals, and where India ranks in these.



Ms. Dandewate led the audience through the programme, and the institute and faculty award ceremony wherein laurels received by our school were announced along with those received by the faculty Ms. Darshana Kamat, Ms. Ashwiner Suryavanshi, Ms. Anjali Gugale Ms. Varsha Deshmukh and Dr. Rohit Sarkar.



both laurelled for their contribution towards and participation in the GreenLine Project.

3. Dr. Rohit Sarkar was felicitated for receiving an Honorary Doctorate in Special Education.
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Finally, the time for awarding the students arrived. Ms. Dandwate announced the intra-school awardees whilst Ms. Kamat announced the inter-school awardees.

1. Ms. Darshana Kamat, Ms. Varsha Deshmukh and Ms. Anjali Gugale were felicitated for their participation in the National Launch Pad VI. Ms. Kamat received the Best Presenter Award here.

2. Ms. Darshana Kamat and Ms. Ashwiner Suryawanshi were

The intra-school awardees are as under:

Mono Act Activity (Group 1)		
Grades	Students Name	Rank
Nursery	Sparsh Hatrote	First
Jr.KG	Vivaan Sonawane	Third
	Diva Sisodiya	Second
	Hasini Godekar	First
Sr.KG	Samarth P. Kulkarni	Third
	Saanvi Jaigude	Second
	Vihan Bhende	First
I	Arush A. Dhumal	Third
	Raghav S. Ganoo	Second
	Mayank R. Jangid	First
II	Adwita S. Patil	Third
	Pranshu R. Satpute	Second
	Arnav S. Babar	First

**Group - 2 Aryabhatta: Grades VI to VIII**

**Model Making Activity**

Rank	School Name	Students Name	Grades
Third	City Pride School, Nigdi	Amey Jambavalikar, Amey Ranka	VIII
Third	D. Y. Patil Dnyanshanti School	Tanishtha Singh, Sanika Tayade	VIII
Second	Vidya Niketan English Medium School	Unnatee Powar, Roshini Kaviskar	VI & VII
Second	S.B. Patil Public School	Arnav Patange, Devesh Pawar, Atharva Gajabar, Rudransh Kalbhor	VIII
First	Ashwini International School	Ojasvi Hole, Siddhant Fulzele, Nidhi Rane, Devansh Mishra	VI & VII

### Elocution Activity (Group 2)

III	Arnav Kadam	Third
	Uditi Chawda	Second
	Aalap Khadasare	First
IV	Sargunkaur D. Chahel	Third
	Aaradhya A. Shikalgar	Second
	Swarali B. Gujar	First
V	Riddhi Y. Jaiswal	Third
	SaiSiddhi B. Swain	Second
	Payodhi N. Pansare	First

### Book Review/ Poem ( Group 3)

VI	Vidisha Thakur	Third
	Avanessh Babar	Second
	Jayavardhan Chougale	First
VII	Ayush Bhise	Third
	Aryan Bhonge	Second
	Ashley Lanelle	First
VIII	Janisha Swarnakar	Third
	Gaurav Mali	Second
	Shreya Gugaliya	First

### Model Making ( Group 4)

IX	Apoorva Joshi, Arya Joshi	First
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The inter-school awardees are as under:

#### Group-1 Ramanujan (Grade III)

#### Topic: On-the-Spot Painting Activity

Rank	School Name	Students Name	Grades
Third	Army Public School	Samridhi Sharma	III
Second	City Pride School, Nigdi	Hesha Choudhari	
First	City Pride School, Moshi	Faiqa Ansari	
Third	City Pride School, Ravet	Paavani Choudhary	IV
Second	S.B. Patil Public School	Sai Basagare	
First	City Pride School, Nigdi	Sanhita Ekbote	
Third	City Pride School, Ravet	Anushka Gupta	V
Second	Army Public School, Pune	Sanchi Yadav	
First	S.B. Patil Public School	Payodhi Pansare	

#### Group - 2 Aryabhatta: Grades VI to VIII

### Model Making Activity

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### Group - 3 Kalam: Grades IX to XII

### Model Making Activity

First	S.B. Patil Public School	Atharva Bhise, Praneet Khandarkar, Shaourya Gawade, Mayur Jivangi
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### Best School Award

Second	Vidya Niketan English Medium School
First	City Pride School, Nigdi



With the awards ceremony now coming to a close, Ms. Kamat led the audience through the Vote of Thanks.

We heartily congratulate all the winning participants, teams and schools. This is indeed a great honour for all. We thank our

principal Dr. Bindu Saini; vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda; primary coordinator, Ms. Shubhangi Kulkarni; the section coordinators: Ms. Nirupama Kale, Ms. Vandana Sangle, Ms. Archana Prabhune, Ms. Payal Nihalani and Ms. Nayana Taru; and the administrative officer, Mr. Manish Dhekale for organising this event.

Our immense gratitude goes to the Ms. Richa Arora, Ms. Varsha Deshmukh, Ms. Shaileja Mestry, Ms Darshana Kamat and all the faculty members for being such great mentors to our students, and without whom, the wins received by our students would not have been possible.

We also thank all students for working so diligently; every teacher and faculty A mighty thanks goes out to the parents as well who have worked in cohesion with us with such patience and understanding.



We thank everyone: the teachers, administration, Mr. Aman Yadav of the IT Team, and everyone else whose contribution helped to make this event a great success.

Our wholesome gratitude goes to

the PCET management and Board of Trustees: Mr. Dnyaneshwar P. Landge, Chairman; Ms. Padma M. Bhonsle, Vice Chairperson; Mr. Vitthal S. Kalbhor, Secretary; Mr. Shantaram D. Garade, Treasurer; Mr. Harshwardhan S. Patil, Trustee; and Dr. Girish M. Desai, Executive Director who strive to ensure the wholesome development of our students, and without whose support we would not have been able to organise and hold this ceremony.

# Chapter 18

## The Hummingbird Sanskrit Olympiad



In December 2022, the Hummingbird Sanskrit Olympiad was conducted for the students of Grades VI to X. A total of 83 students partook in the examination from our school. At the school level, six students won gold medals, with eleven students winning silver and another eleven winning the bronze medals. At the national level, one student stood first, three students stood second, and four stood third. 72 out of the 83 students qualified for the second round at the national level.

Following are the names of the winners:

S.No.	Grade	Name	School Position	National Position	Medal Received
1.	VI	Pooja Shrimali	1	2	Gold
2.		Tejal Bagal	2	3	Silver
3.		Atharv Mali	3	-	Bronze
4.		Adarsh Garg	3	-	Bronze
5.		Sharvari Tanpure	3	-	Bronze
6.		Aayush Aghav	3	-	Bronze
7.	VII	Ananya Kolle	3	-	Bronze
8.		Mishka Kashiwal	1	1	Gold
9.		Anuj Amritkar	2	2	Silver
10.		Ankur Horal	3	3	Bronze
11.		Sudhanva Kulkarni	3	3	Bronze
12.		Harshit Patil	3	3	Bronze
13.	VIII	Sudhanshu Jadhav	1	-	Gold
14.		Ruchi Chaudhari	2	-	Silver
15.		Atharva Jamddare	3	-	Bronze
16.		Saksham Kedari	1	-	Gold
17.	IX	Ojas Tiwari	1	-	Gold
18.		Saksham Bhatia	2	-	Silver
19.		Shraddha Mhetra	2	-	Silver

20.	Anuj Narkhade	2	-	Silver
21.	Ishika Wagh	2	-	Silver
22.	Shravni Kulkarni	2	-	Silver
23.	Sania Shelke	3	-	Bronze
24.	Vrunda Anuse	1	2	Gold
25.	Ishika Patil	2	-	Silver
26. X	Sneha Verma	2	-	Silver
27.	Ayush Shete	2	-	Silver
28.	Neelakshi Joshi	3	-	Bronze

On March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023, the winners of the event were felicitated by the vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda. We congratulate them all as they proceed on for the next round. We thank Ms. Deepika Kannao and Mr. Swapnil Lambu for mentoring the students so well.

We also thank principal, Dr. Bindu Saini; vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda; primary coordinator Ms. Shubhangi Kulkarni; and Olympiad in-charge, Ms. Aayesha Syed for organising the Olympiads for our students.

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**PART III**

**SPORTS ACHIEVERS**

## Chapter 1

### Swimming to Succeed: At the Aambe Valley Aqua Champ Matches

On October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Aambe Valley, Lonawala organised the Aqua Champ Swimming Matches. Representing S.B. Patil Public School was Ratish Adhav of VII-G.

With great pride we announce that this young swimmer won the competition in the Open Water 400m category. His record time was 19min 22 sec.

We heartily congratulate him as well as all those from our sports department who mentored him so well. We wish him the very best for all his future endeavours, sports and otherwise.



## Chapter 2

### Hitting it Right: Mahika Wins the Lawn Tennis U-14 Tournament

In other glorious news, we are pleased to announce that Mahika Rege, of VIII-A won the KPIT Sponsored Lawn Tennis Tournament which was held in the last week of October 2022. She won the first prize of a gold medal in the U-14 girls section.



Nothing makes us prouder than to see our students succeed in all walks of life. And thus, with a heart full of pride, we congratulate Mahika and wish her the very best for the future.

We also thank the Sports Department faculty: Mr. Dhanaji Patil, Mr. Chandrakant Thombre, Mr. Shrikant Deshpande, Ms. Gauri Utture, Mr. Sandeep Ghadage, and Ms. Sunita Vasudeo for being a pillar of support.

We extend our gratitude to our principal, Dr. Bindu Saini; vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda; primary coordinator, Ms. Shubhangi Kulkarni; and all the section heads for constantly encouragement to our students to give their very best.

## Chapter 3

### At the Kurash Nationals

The Kurash Federation of India organised the national-level kurash tournament at Chattisgarh, Raipur on November 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>. Three state-level champions from our school partook in the event: Atharva Awte from VI-F, Om Patil from VI-G and Sumedh Chavan from VII-D.

## Chapter 4

### Winning the DSO - PCMC Zila Parishad Competition



The DSO - Pimpri Chinchwad Municipal Corporation Zila Parishad Competition is an ongoing event that commenced from November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022. From S.B. Patil Public School, 260 students partook in the individual games whilst 200 took part in the group events.

The competition comprised of a near-46 games such as cricket, basketball, roll ball, handball, table tennis, lawn tennis, badminton, archery, rifle shooting, chess, carom, gymnastics, judo, taekwando, karate, yogasan, rollerskating, mallakhamb, swimming, etc.

Many of our students did themselves and us proud by winning at the event. The names of these young winners are enlisted below:



S.No.	Game	Student's Name	Rank	Remarks
1.	Acrobatics (Men's Group)	Sharvin Surve Om Patil Shreyas Mandhare Suyash Patil	1 <sup>st</sup>	
2.	Acrobatics (Women's Trio)	Swara Patil Swamini Ghule Ashley Lanelle	1 <sup>st</sup>	
3.	Acrobatics (Mixed Pair)	Prithviraj Chavan Swanandi Taware	1 <sup>st</sup>	
4.	Acrobatics (Men's Pair)	Soham Lakam Sumedh Chavan	1 <sup>st</sup>	
5.	Acrobatics (Women's Pair)	Avni Khandelwal Harshali Chinshawade	1 <sup>st</sup>	

6.	Badminton	Aksht Menon Tanishk Naydu Pushkar Nikam Ishan Jaa Harshvardhan Nimankar	1 <sup>st</sup>
7.	Chess (U-14 Girls)	Ananya Kulkarni	5 <sup>th</sup>
8.	Chess (U-17 Girls)	Avani Khandelwal	2 <sup>nd</sup>
9.	Cricket	Team of 12	4 <sup>th</sup>
10.	Gymnastics	Harshita Kakade	1 <sup>st</sup>
11.	Handball	Aditya Tanpure	1 <sup>st</sup>
		U-17 Girls	2 <sup>nd</sup>
12.	Lawn tennis	Meheka Rege Spurha Kurle	4 <sup>th</sup> 5 <sup>th</sup>
13.	Mallakhamb	Avani Khandelwal	2 <sup>nd</sup>
14.	Rifle Shooting	Shravani Kurade Divyani Kavale	2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup>
15.	Skating	Govardhan Pawar Gandharv Pawar	3 <sup>rd</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup>
16.	Table Tennis	Vaibhav Ojza	3 <sup>rd</sup>
		U-17 Team Boys	3 <sup>rd</sup>
17.	Relay running	U-19 Boys	2 <sup>nd</sup>
18.	Running Race	Sarthak Jadhav	800m: Gold Medal 1500m: Gold Medal
19.	Atya Patya	U-17 boys	3 <sup>rd</sup>
20.	Swimming	Adhyayan Londe Arnav Patil Vaibhavi Patil Akshat Verma	Breaststroke 50m: 2 <sup>nd</sup> Butterfly 50m: 2 <sup>nd</sup> Freestyle 800m: 1 <sup>st</sup> Freestyle 100m: 2 <sup>nd</sup> Freestyle 50m: 3 <sup>rd</sup> Freestyle 100m: 2 <sup>nd</sup> Butterfly 50m: 2 <sup>nd</sup> Backstroke: 1 <sup>st</sup> Freestyle 50m: Gold Medal

**Freestyle 100m:  
Silver**

Backstroke  
100m: 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Breastroke  
100m: 2<sup>nd</sup>  
**Freestyle 100m:  
1<sup>st</sup>**

21.	Volleyball	Sanatkumar Pol	4 <sup>th</sup>
22.	Judo Fight	Om Patil	1 <sup>st</sup>
		Suyash Patil	1 <sup>st</sup>
		Vedant Nichit	2 <sup>nd</sup>
		Sairaj Kanse	2 <sup>nd</sup>
		Omkar Mate	3 <sup>rd</sup>
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		Arnav Torne	3 <sup>rd</sup>
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		Aayushi Ghadge	1 <sup>st</sup>
		Utkarsha Patil	1 <sup>st</sup>
		Jigisha Kolhe	2 <sup>nd</sup>
		Ishita Wagh	3 <sup>rd</sup>
		Sunidhi C.	3 <sup>rd</sup>
23.	Dodgeball	U-17	3 <sup>rd</sup>
24.	Rollball Skating	U-14 Girls	2 <sup>nd</sup>
		U-17 Girls	3 <sup>rd</sup>
		U-14 Boys	4 <sup>th</sup>
		U-17 Boys	4 <sup>th</sup>
25.	Rink Race	Gandhav K. Pawar	500m: Silver 1000m Bronze
26.	Badminton Team	U-17 Boys	1 <sup>st</sup>



A standing ovation goes out to every student who won in the games – they all have been selected for the zonal level competitions; and also give a special round of applause to every participant.

We thank our sports faculty: Mr. Dhanaji Patil, Mr. Chandrakant Thombre, Mr. Shrikant Deshpande, Ms. Gauri Utture, Mr. Sandeep Ghadage, Ms. Deepika Kannao and Ms. Sunita Vasudeo for mentoring and training the students so wonderfully that they surpass their own abilities.

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## Chapter 5

### Celebrating Annual Sports Week 2022-23



Sport is essential for children, adolescents and adults alike, because it not only keeps one physically fit and mentally alert but also develops the spirit of sportsmanship and teamwork. It further nurtures the ability to respect and value victories whilst simultaneously accepting defeats with the mind-set that one needs to get back up and try again.

Every year S.B. Patil Public School celebrates Sports Week in the month of December as the weather is pleasing for a long span of games on the field. It is one of the most loved events of the year and the children very longingly look forward to it. This year, it was held from December 6<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022 for Grades III onwards; and from December 12<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022 for the pre-primary section.

To commence the inauguration of the Sports Week, principal, Dr. Bindu Saini; vice principal, Ms. Padmavati Banda; pre-primary coordinator, Ms. Shubhangi Kulkarni; the administrative officer, Mr. Manish Dhekale; and all the section heads, teachers and members of the sports department were present.



sports ground wherein the students and teachers had assembled.

The chief guests for the event, Mr. Firoz Shaikh, Director of Physical Education, SNBP Group; and Dr. Prateek Munegkar, a scientist, professor, counsellor, global educator, published author and an international speaker were welcomed by everyone. The Student Council members along with the students of Grades IX and X performed a march-past as the guests were escorted to the

The inaugural ceremony then commenced for which all the school heads and chief guests proceeded for the lamp-lighting ceremony.



Following this, students and teachers spoke on Sports Week and the importance of sports and sportsmanship in our lives. Both chief guests gave inspiring speeches and wished all students the very best. The sports department HoD escorted Dr. Saini, Ms. Banda, Mr. Shaikh and Dr. Mungekar to the basketball court wherein they played a fun game of leg cricket.

Thus, the sports week commenced for the school. The teachers ensured each and every student participated. Older students engaged in multiple games such: volleyball, football, handball, cricket, etc. For the pre-primary tots, hurdle race, ball balancing, copy and paste, flower garden game, rabbit race, balloon game and water games was organised so as to not only build their gross motor skills, flexibility and fitness but also to ignite their intellectual power and wit at a very early stage to keep their value in life.



All in all, it was indeed an exciting experience for the students. The winners who made it to victory were awarded medals, and all participants received certificates.

## Chapter 6

### Gliding to Glory: Winning the RGOI Roller Skating National Championship



The Rural Games Organisation of India (RGOI) organised the Roller Skating National Championship competition on January 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Partaking in the competition were S.B. Patil Public School's Ayush Saykar and Avanish Bhoir.

The competition consisted of three races in which Ayush won the third, fourth and fourth places; whilst Avanish, who partook in two races and won the 4<sup>th</sup> place in both.

We congratulate these young sportsmen for their wins and wish them the very best as they partake in future skating events, gliding to glory.

## Chapter 7

### Skating to Victory: Winning the Pune Mini District Roller Skating Championship 2023



early March 2023.

We congratulate this young skater and wish the very best as she glides down the path of success.

We are proud to announce that Aarohi Gaonkar of III-E won the bronze medal in the Pune Mini District Roller Skating competition, and has been selected for the state championship.

The event was organized by the Skating Association of Pune in

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**PART IV**

**FACULTY AWARDEES**

## Chapter 1

### Towards Innovative Education: National Education Brilliance Award 2022

To add another feather in his cap, Rohit Sarkar, the Media and Publishing Department Executive of S.B. Patil Public School won the NEBA Innovative Teacher of the Year 2022 award for this contribution to the field of education.

Rohit has served a near-three years at S.B. Patil Public School, and during his term as the Media and Publishing Department Executive has - through the publications, especially the newsletter, Endeavour - strived to bring out the best in students artistically and innovatively by pushing them to contribute write-ups, stories, poems, paintings, sketches, and as of late, even write testimonials of the events they participated in which are then published in the event's main article.

We congratulate Rohit and wish him every ounce of success as he spreads creativity, innovativeness and a passion for writing within the halls of S.B. Patil Public School.



## Chapter 2

### Winning the Most Effective Presenter Award: A Big Hooray to Ms. Darshana Kamat



The National Launch Pad VI - 2022 was organised in Mumbai on December 10th, 2022. The event invited all educators to share their successful stories of getting SDGs into their classrooms. From S.B. Patil Public School three faculty members participated.

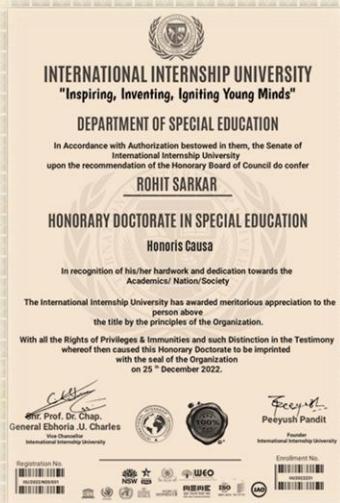
1. Ms. Anjali Gugale spoke on "Building Climate Resilience from Local to Global through Quality Education"
2. Ms. Varsha Deshmukh presented on "Plastic Pollution and climate Change"
3. Ms. Darshana Kamat spoke on "Combat climate change by preventing Food waste"

Ms. Kamat received the Most Effective Presenter Award for presenting her classroom activities showing the interconnectedness, integration and mutual reinforcement of SDG 12 (Responsible Consumption) and 13 (Climate Action) with SDG 4(Quality Education) for global prosperity, peace and a healthier planet.

Ms. Kamat is one of those teachers who go to great extents for their students. She has partaken in numerous seminars and conferences ensuring that she grows both personally and professionally. She has used all she learned here to mentor fellow teachers as well as students thus enhancing their understanding in manifold ways. And so, we congratulate Ms. Kamat on this meritorious and well-deserved win.

## Chapter 3

# From Mr. to Dr.: Rohit Sarkar Laurelled with an Honorary Doctorate in Special Education



We are proud to announce that Rohit Sarkar, the Media and Publishing Department Executive, has been bestowed an Honorary Doctorate in Special Education from the International Internship University, New South Wales, Australia.

Rohit graduated with a BBA (Honours) in Human Resource from Sam Higginbottom Institute of Agriculture and Technology, Allahabad after which he went on to pursue an MBA in Marketing from Ohio University, Ohio, USA.

Post MBA, Rohit worked as an assistant teacher for English for students of Grades VI to XII at a school in New Delhi for two years before going on to pursue an MRes/ MPhil in Consumer Behaviour from Liverpool John Moores University, Liverpool, England.

Whilst residing in England, and driven with a passion for writing, he took up content-writing which soon turned to a full-time job. On returning, he worked within the Communications as well as the Emergency Department as the writer, editor and photographer for an NGO in New Delhi. He engaged in writing, editing and photographing for the organisation's publications whilst extensively travelling across India gaining field experience in real-time disaster relief and victim interaction.



In 2019, he briefly worked at S.B. Patil International School, Indapur primarily as English Language teacher for students of Nursery to Grade VIII whilst also teaching other subjects as the need arose. He joined S.B. Patil Public School, Pune in November 2019, and currently heads the Media and Publishing Department at the school which encompasses being the Writer and Editor-in-Chief for all the school's online and print publications, as well as the institute liaison and RJ for the Infinity Community Radio 90.4FM.

He also serves as the personal drafter, editor and proof-reader to the principal, Dr. Bindu Saini whilst aiding in meticulously composing publications shared with the stakeholders. He played a pivotal role in the publishing and submission of the British Council ISA Dossier, a document that was crucial in securing the British Council IDS certification for the school in January 2020.

With many organisational, academic and non-academic publications under his name, he is a self-taught learner of American and Indian Sign Languages; Braille with fluency in Level 1: Uncontracted Braille, and Classical Latin. He is also an avid advocate of teaching sign language and Braille within the curriculum as part of inclusive education. For this, he was recently awarded an Honorary PhD in Special Education by the International Internship University, New South Wales, Australia.

We congratulate the now Dr. Rohit Sarkar for this great honour and wish him the very best for his future endeavours.

## Chapter 4

### To Asia's Finest Educators



For imparting excellence in education, for producing outstanding results in international-level Olympiads and for motivating students for their glorious future, principal, Dr. Bindu Saini; and Olympiad in-charge, Ms. Ayesha Syed were honoured with the Asia's Finest Educator Awards by Hummingbird Education Ltd.

Students partake in Reasoning and Aptitude, Spell Bee, NEET, CET, Commerce and Sanskrit Olympiads, etc. And thus, for being great mentors to the young participants through the past years, Dr. Saini and Ms. Syed were awarded this meritorious honour.

We heartily congratulate them both for this win, and know that they will continue to bring out the best in our students now and always.



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PART V

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### ॥ गुरुपूर्णिमा विशेष श्लोकाः ॥

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१. गुरुपौर्णिमा विशेष अज्ञान तिमिरान्धस्य ज्ञानाभ्जन शलाक्या।  
चक्षुरुन्मीलितं येन तस्मै श्री गुरुवे नमः॥

**भावार्थः** जिसने ज्ञानाभ्जनरूपी शलाका से, अज्ञानरूपी अंधकार से अन्ध हुए लोगों की आंखें खोली, ऐसे गुरु को नमस्कार है।

२. अखण्डमण्डलाकारं व्याप्तं येन चराचरम्।  
तत्पदं दर्शितं येन तस्मै श्रीगुरुवे नमः॥

**भावार्थः** उस महान् गुरु को नमस्कार है जिन्होंने उस अवस्था का साक्षात्कार करना संभव किया जो पूरे ब्रह्मांड में व्याप्त है सभी जीवित और मृत में

३. गुकारस्तवन्धकारस्तु रुकार स्तेज उच्यते।  
अन्धकार निरोधत्वात् गुरुरित्यभिधीयते॥

**भावार्थः** 'गु' याने अंधकार, और 'रु' कार याने तेज़; जो अंधकार का निरोध (ज्ञान का प्रकाश देकर अंधकार को रोकना) करता है, वही वास्तव में गुरु कहलाता है।

४. गुरौ न प्राप्यते यत्तन्नान्यत्रापि हि लभ्यते।  
गुरुप्रसादात् सर्वं तु प्रान्पोत्येव न संशयः॥

**भावार्थः** गुरु के द्वारा जो प्राप्त नहीं होता वह अन्यत्र भी कहीं नहीं मिलता। गुरु कृपा से निससंदेह। निससंदेह (मनुष्य) सब कुछ प्राप्त कर ही लेता है।

५. दुधेन धेनुः कुसुमेन वल्ली शीलेन भार्या कमलेन तोयम्।  
गुरुं विना भाति न चैव शिष्यः शमेन विद्या नगरी जनेन॥

**भावार्थः** जैसे दूध के बिना गाय, फूल के बिना लता, चरित्र के बिना पत्नी, कमल के बिना जल, शांति के बिना विद्या और लोगों के बिना नगर शोभा नहीं देती; वैसे ही गुरु के बिना शिष्य शोभा नहीं देते।

# Chapter 2

## Matters of Science

*Contributed by: Ms. Shaileja Mistry / Science Teacher (Grades X to XII)*

1. Infants are born with approximately 300 bones, but as they grow some of these bones fuse together. By the time they reach adulthood, they only have 206 bones.
2. Your small intestine is taller than you and measures about 23 feet.
3. Did you know? You will not be able to breathe and swallow at the same time.
4. Once you reach the age of 20, you start losing neurons and by the time you turn 75, at least 1/10 of the neurons are gone.
5. Only crocodiles are the reptiles with four chambered heart.
6. Cats have over 100 vocal sounds, whereas dogs only have about ten.
7. Wearing headphones for an hour multiplies the bacteria in your ear by 700.
8. Sea turtles have the ability to sense the Earth's magnetic field and to use this sense for navigation.
9. One letter doesn't exist in the periodic table - the letter 'J'.
10. An average person walks the equivalent of five times around the world in a life time.
11. Human get little taller in space because there is no gravity pulling down on them.
12. If you drove a car at 60 miles/hr straight up the space it would take you just under six months to reach the moon.

# Chapter 3

## Blissful Nature

by Riddhi Vaidya / XII-B

Every time I draw the curtains,  
a view of nature so beautiful is certain.

The wind-swept emerald fields beckon me,  
to stroll in it with my mind stress-free.

Beneath the gleaming sun or under the gentle breeze,  
colourful flowers flaunt their hues amongst the jade leaves.

The innocent child in myself I seize,  
as I trace the path of the bees.

The shade of lush green trees is a tranquil trap;  
it provides me the tenderness of my mother's lap.

Such serene and blissful is nature;  
in today's times it remains an imaginary caricature.

## Chapter 4

# The Importance of Co and Extra-curricular Activities in School

by Sucheta Rampure / X-C

School is a time of growth and development, and co and extracurricular activities play an essential role in shaping who we are and who we will become. They can help students discover their hidden talents and develop into all-rounders and versatile individuals. These activities further help to promote a healthy lifestyle that enables the students to tackle challenges; grow socially, academically and personally; and prepares them for their future careers.

Taking part in co and extra-curriculars can help students develop important leadership skills. They can have the opportunity to take on leadership roles, make decisions, and work with others to achieve common goals. These experiences prepare students for administrative roles in college and beyond. While participating in these activities, one gets to meet new people, develop new friendships, know the importance of teamwork and how to work with people cordially.

School can be stressful and extra-curriculars can help provide a much-needed break. Participating in activities that students enjoy can provide relief and help them maintain a healthy balance between academics and other aspects of their lives. When we partake in co and extra-curriculars, we use our brain and imagination in different ways which thus improves grades and test scores by stimulating our curiosity and creativity.

In conclusion, co and extracurricular activities help students improve their communication and interpersonal skills giving them the advantage to stand out from the crowd and demonstrate their interests and abilities. They help them develop their skills and interests outside of the classroom. They are an essential part of the school experience, so every student must engage in at least one or the other activity; this will keep them bright, energetic and active both physically and mentally. Activities such as these not only make your life at school more fun but also more meaningful.

## जिसने बचपन से हाथ पकड़ा

कवी: दर्शिल माली / १०वी-ए

जिसने बचपन से हाथ पकड़ा,  
जिसने रोज ख्याल रखा;  
जो बिन बताए पसंदीदा खाना बना देती है,  
अपने छोटे बच्चे के चेहरे पे मुस्कुराहट ला देती है।

जो बच्चे को डांटकर भी रात को उसपे रजाई चढ़ा देती है,  
जो रुठे बच्चे को पास बिठा लेती है,  
और जो प्यार से लेती पास मुझे, मानो जादू की झाप्पी लगती है;  
भटकते हुए मन को मेरे तू अपने शरन में ले लेती है।

जीवन में कुछ भी कर लू, जीवन में कुछ भी बन लूः  
तेरे बगैर मुमकिन नहीं, तेरे बिना मेरी सफलता का,  
कण भर मतलब नहीं, कण भर मतलब नहीं।

# Chapter 6

## Freedom

*by Hridaya Nawal / X-D*

Freedom is a spirited stallion, galloping wild and untamed across the vast expanse of possibilities. It is the melody that echoes through the corridors of our souls, beckoning us to dance to the rhythm of our own desires. Like a soaring bird, it spreads its wings and soars above the clouds, unburdened by the shackles of conformity.

Picture a mighty river, flowing with relentless force, cutting through the rugged mountains and carving its own path. Freedom, too, is a force of nature, surging through our veins, urging us to break through the barriers that confine us. It is the flame that ignites the human spirit, inspiring us to rise above oppression and embrace the boundless horizons of our potential.

Freedom is the artist's brush, splashing vibrant hues onto a blank canvas, creating a masterpiece that defies convention and challenges the norm. It is the poet's pen, weaving words into a tapestry of emotions, expressing the deepest recesses of the human experience. Like an enchanting melody, freedom resonates with the harmony of individuality, allowing each note to harmonize in perfect unity.

Imagine a garden, lush and diverse, where every flower blooms with its unique fragrance and color. Freedom, too, is a garden that nurtures the seeds of diversity and empowers each individual to blossom in their authenticity. It is the symphony of voices, rising together in harmony, celebrating the tapestry of humanity and embracing the richness of our differences.

Just as the wind whispers secrets across the vast landscapes, freedom carries the whispers of dreams, ambitions, and aspirations. It is the gentle breeze that caresses our faces, reminding us of our inherent right to choose our path. Like a beacon of light, freedom illuminates the darkest corners, dispelling fear and oppression, and guiding us towards a future where liberty reigns supreme.

In the tapestry of life, freedom is the thread that weaves through our existence, binding us to the essence of our humanity. It is the birthright we inherit, the flame that can never be extinguished. Let us embrace this metaphorical force, harness its power, and strive to protect and cherish the unyielding spirit of freedom, for it is the very essence that sets us free.

## Chapter 7

### If I Just Could Be Like You

by Siddhi Jadhav / IX-B

If I could just be like you,  
If I could just hope to be like you:  
Perfect, beautiful and pampered by the world,  
somewhat like my dream girl.

Sometimes I feel sorry for myself that I am not like you.

I know it doesn't matter,  
because it is in the corner of my heart,  
an illusion of my mind.

The reason I would probably state is that:

You are not me and I am not you,  
Despite it all, there are still times I wish that:  
I wish I could be just like you.

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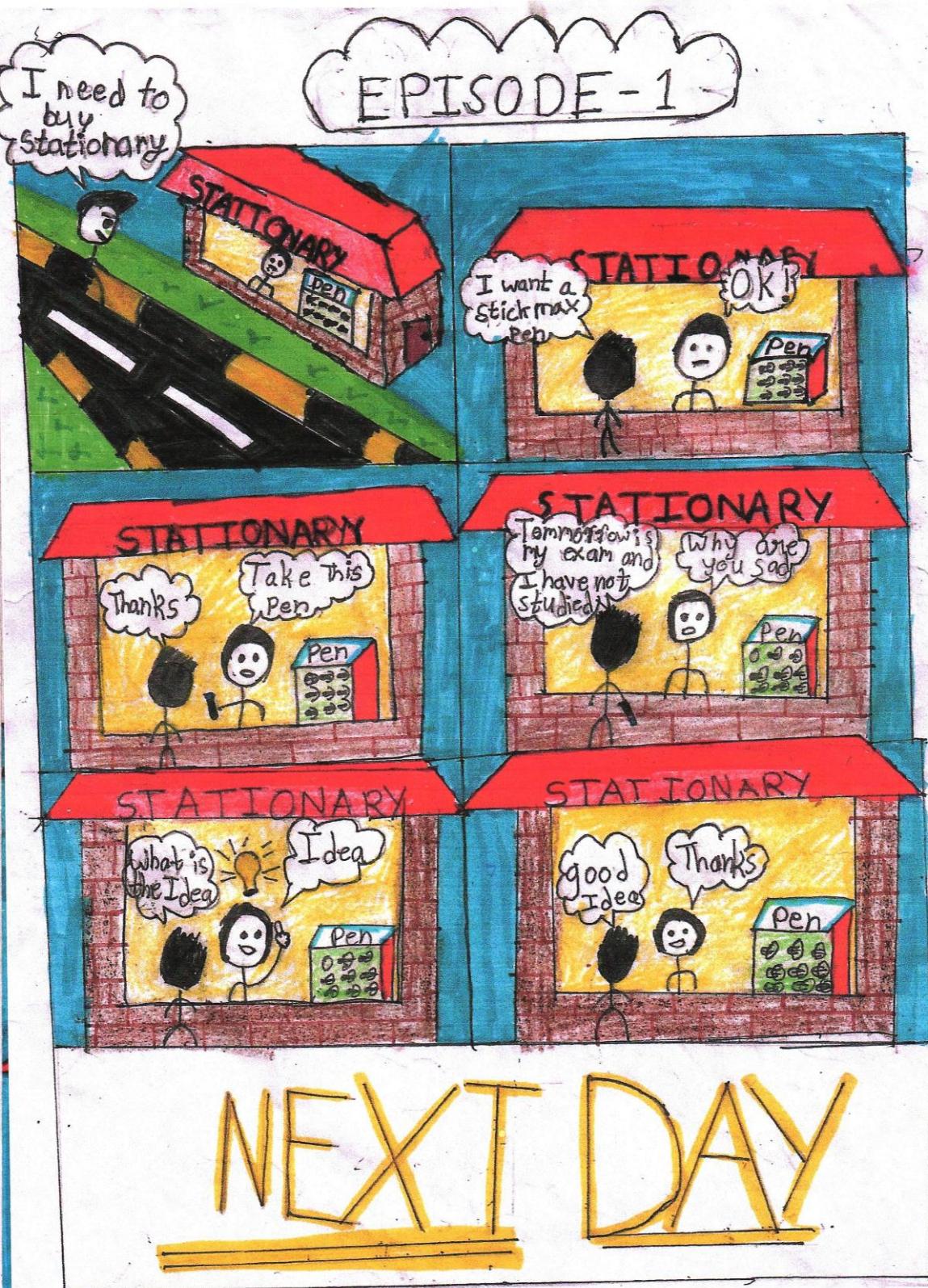
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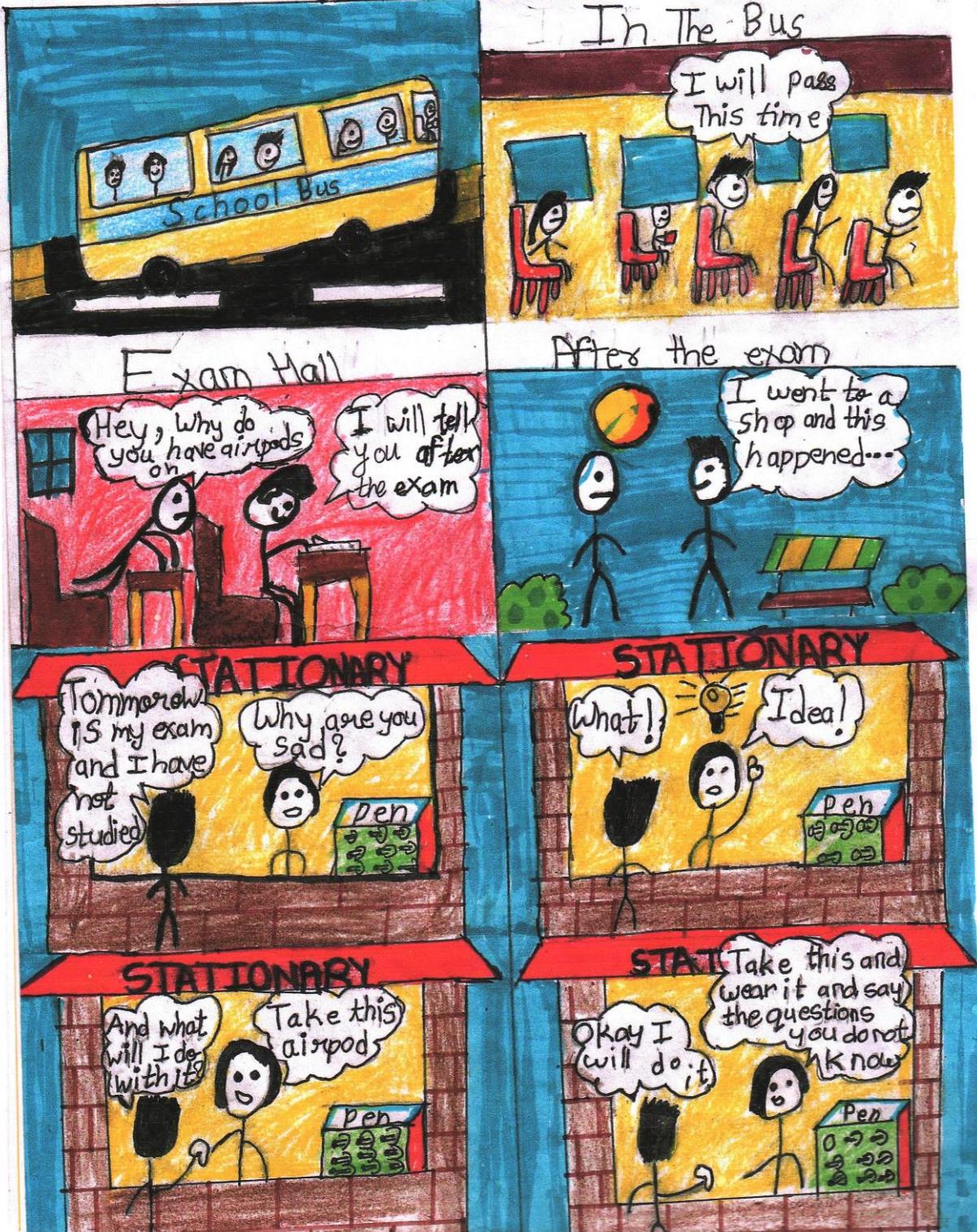
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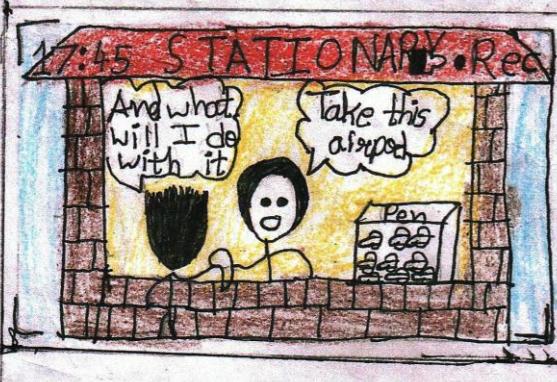
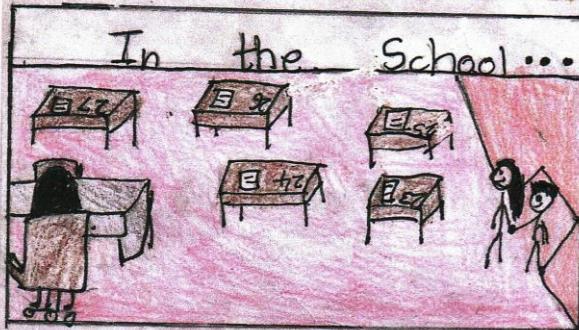
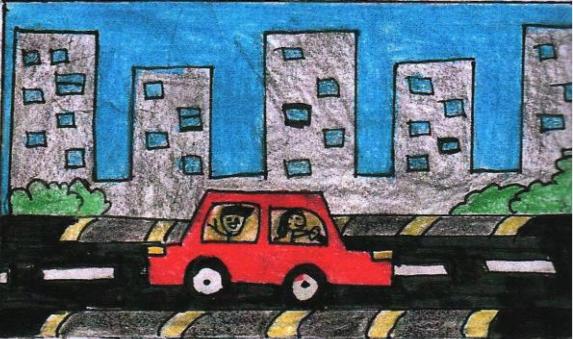


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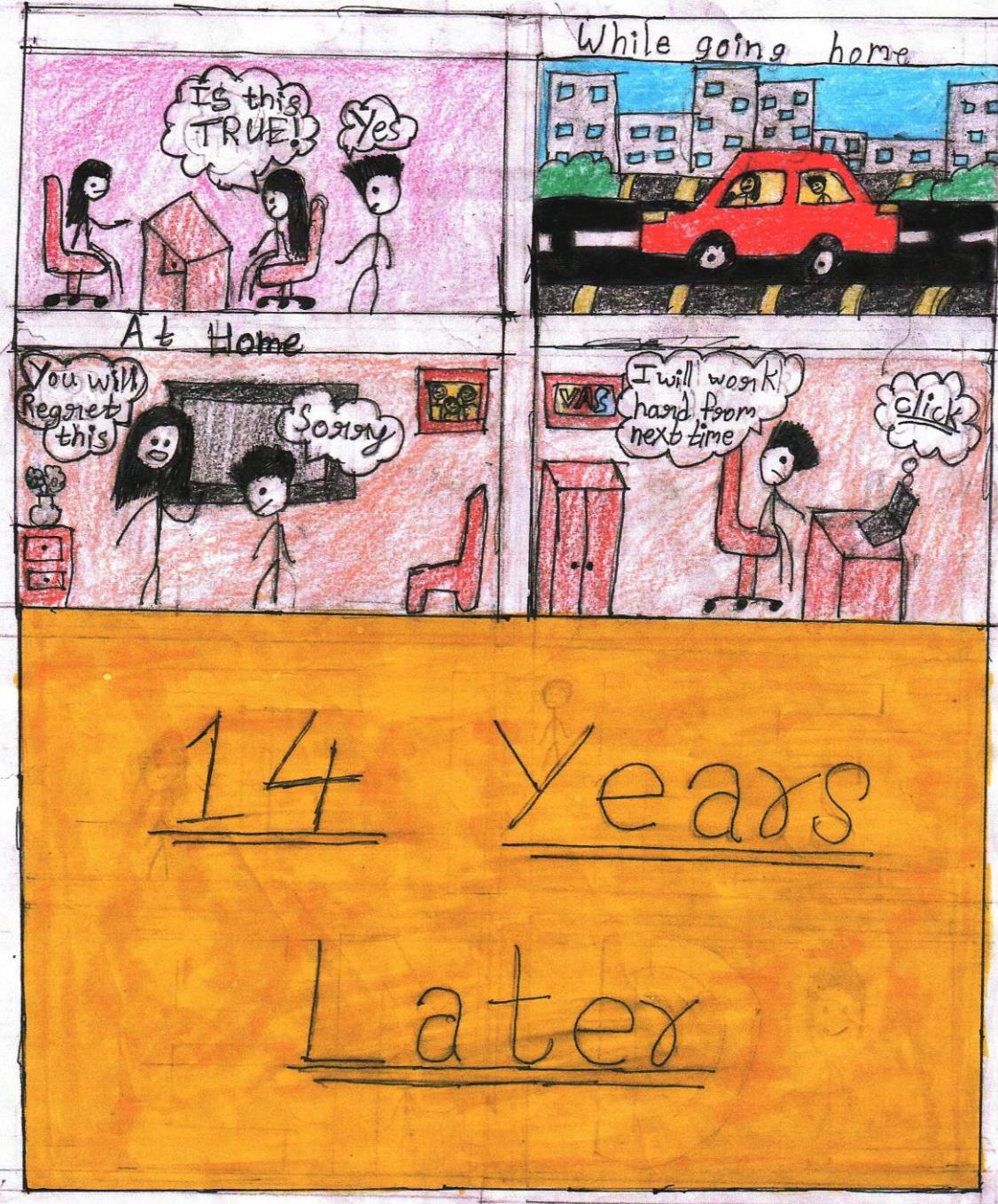


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# The Pimpri Chinchwad Education Trust (PCET)

## About

The Pimpri Chinchwad Education Trust (PCET) was established by the Late Shri. Shankarrao Bajirao Patil in September 1990. Since its foundation, its mission has been aimed at serving society, the industry and all stakeholders through excellence in education, perseverance of research, and distinguished pedagogy be it in schools or in professional courses such as engineering, management and computer applications.

The PCET's vision is "To inculcate strong self-esteem and moral values in a child with skills necessary to excel in every walk of life"; and has as its mission, "We strive to provide world class academic and cultural foundation to every child to realize his/her greatest potentials emphasizing social, emotional, physical, and spiritual development, making the child an extrovert, to meet challenges of life with a positive attitude and great confidence". With these, the Trust has always offered an ever-growing, value-added, multi-dimensional educational platform to society.

The PCET has remained committed to its mission through knowledge exchange and application, opportunity creation, value and culture preservation and sharing, research orientation, and academic stimulation through courses ranging from Nursery to myriad doctoral programmes in all professional streams; ergo, enabling students to achieve freedom through education.

Its national and international expansion via multiple collaborations at every level of academia has blessed both students and faculty with a global advantage by providing them a transnational dais for them to expand their potential, extend their knowledge, express their aspirations, and exhibit their aptitudes.

The Board of Trustees and the members of the PCET are pro-active, and are devoted to the cause of bringing about change via holistic education through the mentorship and guidance of highly-qualified, supportive and research-oriented faculty members. Their set of beliefs and values have resulted in the impeccable growth of the PCET and its institutes not only within the PCMC and the city of Pune, but across the country and even the globe. The team works towards the all-round development of students, personally and professionally; whilst ensuring every faculty too grows and develops so that they in-turn can provide the requisite knowledge to their pupils.

With the PCET establishing itself as an ISO-certified, quality brand wherein students can transform their dreams into reality, Late Shri. Shankarrao Bajirao Patilji's vision of creating a homogenous society in which everyone lives the life of equality, freedom and pride has come to fruition.

## Our Inspiration



Late Shri. Shankarrao B. Patil  
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Institutions falling under the PCET are:

1. **Pimpri Chinchwad Polytechnic (PCP) | Estd: 1990 | <https://www.pcpolytechnic.com>:**

The Pimpri Chinchwad Polytechnic (PCP) was established in 1990. Located near the Akurdi railway station, it is one of the best diploma engineering colleges in the city. Spread over a large expanse of land under the Pimpri Chinchwad New Town Development Authority, popularly known as Pradhikaran, it hosts its departments in spacious buildings, lavished with a vast sports ground, canteen and a mess, all to aid the hundreds of students who are under the tutelage of the renowned and devoted faculty.



Over the past two decades the institute has evolved to include a strong blend of state-of-the-art infrastructure and a devoted team of faculty who committed to provide professional education with thrust on research, creativity and innovation. The motivating environment in PCP for knowledge assimilation, generation and dissemination with a sense of social responsibility, human values and concern for social commitment has carved a niche for itself among the best technical institutes. The special emphasis is on Outcome Based Education (OBE), Research, and Experiential Learning.

2. **Pimpri Chinchwad College of Engineering (PCCoE) | Estd: 1999 | <https://www.pccoepune.com>:**

Established in 1999, the Pimpri Chinchwad College of Engineering (PCCoE) is one of the premier engineering colleges in Pune. As an institute approved by the AICTE, it is nurtured and managed by the Pimpri Chinchwad Education Trust (PCET).



The PCCoE functions autonomously and proactively to provide the best professional environment to engineering and management students in terms of academics, industry oriented trainings, sports, co and extra-curricular activities, cultural activities, competitions, research, etc. to create aesthetically sensitive, socially-committed, research-oriented technologically-competent engineers and management professionals.

3. **S.B. Patil College of Science and Commerce (SBPCSC) | Estd: 2009 | <http://www.sbpaticollege.com>:** Established by the PCET with the vision to create new horizons for the optimum achievement of knowledge and character, and the mission of endeavouring to provide a favourable platform to every student to identify and nurture his skills and talents, S.B. Patil College of Science and Commerce (SBPCSC) is a progressive, student-centric, co-educational private college which is committed to providing quality education to all its students. The college strives for educational innovation and academic excellence by providing the research-driven platform to students that aids in their overall development.



4. **S.B. Patil Institute of Management (SBPIM) | Estd: 2009 | <https://www.sbpatilmaba.com>:** Established in 2009 by the PCET, S.B. Patil Institute of Management (SBPIM)'s programmes are aimed for developing business mavens who, on graduation, will be covetously employable during this time when jobs are in scarcity.



The institute is blessed with having as its faculty professional and adept instructors, who use a research-based, industry-focused teaching-learning approach, and who are capacitated to use the best infrastructural facilities the campus is furnished with, all so as to create and develop entrepreneurs and ready to use employees.

SBPIM has been functioning proactively to provide the best professional environment to MBA students in terms of academics, industry and business-oriented tailor-made trainings, sports, co and extra-curricular activities, cultural events and various competitions, research projects etc. to create holistically developed business professionals.

5. **S.B. Patil Public School (SBPPS) | Estd: 2012 | <https://sbpatilschool.com>:** S.B. Patil Public School (SBPPS) is a CBSE affiliated, NABET accredited, and British Council IDS certified, English medium, co-educational school with classes ranging from Nursery to the senior secondary grades.



6. **Pimpri Chinchwad College of Engineering and Research (PCCoER) | Estd: 2014 | <http://www.pccoer.com>:** Founded in 2014 as an extension of the PCCoE, the Pimpri Chinchwad College of Engineering and Research (PCCoER) offers undergraduate programmes in civil engineering, computer engineering, E&TC engineering and mechanical engineering.



PCCoER is an ISO 9001-2015 accredited Institute, which is affiliated to Savitribai Phule Pune University (SPPU), Pune and is approved by AICTE, New Delhi; DTE, Mumbai; and the Govt. of Maharashtra.

Right from its inception, PCCoER has adopted Outcome Based Education (OBE) and student-centric approach. The institute has to its credit dedicated and highly qualified faculty, state-of-art infrastructure and an environment conducive to learning, research and innovation. Focus is on research, innovation, product development, publication, patent and copyright filing, incubation and entrepreneurship.

7. **S.B. Patil College of Architecture and Design (SBPCoAD) | Estd: 2014 | <http://www.sbpatalarchitecture.com>:** S.B.

Patil College of Architecture and Design (SBPCoAD) was established by the Pimpri Chinchwad Education Trust (PCET) in 2014 with the vision to empower the students with knowledge, values, skills, creative lateral thinking, and also enable them to become entrepreneurial architects while safeguarding the global, societal and environmental issues with their innovative designs.



Located at the Nigdi Campus in Akurdi, Pune, the college is running a full-time five-year degree course in architecture, augmented by a team of experienced, proficient and dedicated faculty of full-time instructors, and part-time practicing architects and engineers. It is backed by the approval of the Council of Architecture, Directorate of Technical Education, Government of Maharashtra, and is affiliated to Savitribai Phule Pune University (SPPU).

8. **Pune Business School (PBS) | Estd: 2020 | <https://www.punebusinessschool.com>:** The Pune Business School (PBS) is a comprehensive academic institution with a distinctive learning style and a global vision. In order to improve the student learning experience, a developed, innovative and focused plan has been prepared to enhance and enrich the student services and facilities.



As a part of this strategic focus, PBS aims to ensure that all new and existing engagements become a quality-centered learning experience. PBS aims to meet student residential and social needs, provide effective student support services and promote the students' personal development, and ultimately enhance their employability.

9. **Pimpri Chinchwad College of Arts, Commerce and Science (PCACS) | Estd: 2022 | <https://www.pcacspune.com>:** The Pimpri Chinchwad College of Arts, Commerce and Science (PCACS) is committed to excellence in academic, co and extracurricular activities and performance.

Affiliated to Savitribai Phule Pune University and recognised by the Govt. of Maharashtra, PCACS offers an array of bachelor degree programmes such as BA, BCom, BSc, etc. The college believes in student empowerment by imparting quality education, pursuing knowledge through research, and enriching the academic experience of every student.



The college aims to offer the best of facilities and an environment that is suitable for students to nurture themselves, progress in life, and make prudent career choices.

10. **Pimpri Chinchwad University (PCU) | Estd: 2023 | <https://www.pcu.edu.in>:** The Pimpri Chinchwad University (PCU) is the PCET's latest crowning glory. It is a State Private University situated at Sate, Mawal, Pune. The university will cater to academic facilities and other amenities for both students and faculty so that students are provided a technologically advanced, research-oriented, practically-driven education foundation.



Situated amidst industrial areas and companies that will aid in practical experiences, the university will provide an array of multi-disciplinary courses to help students from varied academic backgrounds to achieve their dreams.

