

LOK PURAM PUBLIC SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER NO.2 (SEPTEMBER 2023)
SECONDARY SECTION
From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents

Greetings to all !

We have successfully completed our journey upto the mid session of the current academic session overcoming various challenges. We extend our gratitude towards all stakeholders for their constant support in the growth of this institution. It is a great privilege to focus on the following plethora of activities conducted by school and praiseworthy efforts put in by our dear students:

ACADEMICS

- **Periodic Test I** for **Std. VI to X** was conducted from **9th July to 15th July 2023**.
- **Open Day** for **Periodic Test I** was held on **22nd July 2023** to update students' performance.
- **Class Test II** for **Std.VI to X** was conducted from **5th August 2023 to 11th August 2023**. Answer papers were shared with parents.
- **Multiple Assessment**, Term-I activities were conducted in the month of **August for Std.VI to X**, as per the schedule.
- **First Terminal Examination** for **Std.VI to VIII & Periodic Test-II** for **Std.IX & X** were conducted from **6th September to 16th September 2023**.
- **Subject Enrichment**, activities will be conducted from **25th September 2023 to 7th October 2023** for **Std.VI to X**.
- **Open Day** for I Terminal & Periodic Test-II is tentatively scheduled on **30th September 2023**.
- **Practice Worksheets** and **Revision Worksheets** are being given on a regular basis to the students.
- **Ganapati Holidays** will commence from **19th September to 24th September 2023**. School will reopen on **25th September 2023**.

HAPPENINGS

- Important days like Muharram, Parsi New Year, Janmashtami etc. were observed through various activities.
- **Independence Day** was celebrated on **15th August 2023**. The National Flag was hoisted by the Principal. Students chanted slogans on Patriotism, delivered speeches in English, Hindi and Marathi & Patriotic songs were sung by all.
The School celebrated **Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, Meri Maati Mera Desh & Independence Day** from **9th August to 15th August 2023**. Special focus was on **Tribal Empowerment, Pancha Pran Pledge** and **Tree Plantation Drive**. Activities like Picture gallery, Charts, Article writing, Display Board competitions, speeches highlighting the contribution of our Freedom Fighters, Inter-House Patriotic Song Competition etc. were conducted.
- An **Eye Check-up camp** was organized by **Shree Ramakrishna Netralaya**, Thane on **25th & 26th July 2023** for all the students and staff of the school.
- The festival of **Rakshabandhan**, was celebrated through Rakhi making competition with biodegradable materials for **Std.VI to VIII** on **12th August 2023**. The theme was '**I Love My Tiranga**'.
- Annual School Exhibition '**WE-GYAN 2023**' was organized on Saturday, **26th August 2023**. The participants displayed their exhibits showcasing the scientific skills and creative thinking through self-designed working models and projects. Charts and other artifacts of the School Clubs were also displayed.

- **Teachers' Day** was celebrated on **05th September 2023** to mark the occasion of Dr. Radhakrishnan's birthday. A short cultural programme was presented by the students to express gratitude for their teachers.
- **Annual Book Exhibition** will be organized on **29th & 30th September 2023 (Tentative)**.

STUDENT DEVELOPMENT

INTER HOUSE COMPETITIONS

Following competitions were organized for the students of **Std.VI to X** from **July to September 2023**:

- **Newspaper Designing Competition** for **Std. VIII & IX** on **18.07.2023**.
- **Quiz Competition** for **Std. X** on **26.07.2023**.
- **Patriotic Song Competition** for **Std.VI & VII** on **05. 08.2023**.
- **Sanskrit Shloka Chanting Competition** for **Std.VI & VII** on **31.08. 2023**.
- **Extempore Competition** for **Std.VI & VII** on **27. 09. 2023**.
- **Quiz Competition** for **Std. VIII & IX** on **29. 09. 2023**.

INTER HOUSE SPORTS COMPETITIONS

- **Chess Competition** for boys and girls of **Std.VI to IX** were conducted on **30.06.2023, 17.07.2023, 14.08.2023 & 18.08.2023** respectively. The Finals for **Std.VI & VII** will be conducted on **18th September 2023** (tentative).
- **Carrom Competition** for **Std.VI to X**, boys & girls was conducted on **14.08.2023, 16.08.2023 & 18.08.2023**.

CLUB ACTIVITIES

Following are the Club Activities conducted for the months of **July, August and September 2023**:

CONSERVATION CLUB

- **Std VI** – Chart making on 'Bio reserves of India'.
- **Std VII** – Chart Making on 'Types of Forests in India & their Importance'.
- **Std VIII** – Chart Making on 'National Bird-Peacock', providing information on cultural significance & community efforts in protecting and conserving them.
- **Std IX** – Chart Making on 'Endangered Birds of India'.
- **Std X** – Chart Making on 'State Animals and Efforts taken by States to conserve them'.

INTEGRITY CLUB

- **Std.VI & VII** - Pictorial Charts Making on 'Historical caves of India'.
- **Std.VIII** - Pamphlet Making on 'Forts of Thane'
- **Std.IX & X** - Itinerary Making on 'Tourist Places of India'.

HEALTH & SCIENCE CLUB

- **Std.VI & VII** - Charts Making on 'Benefits of Drinking Water' & Collage Making on various Fitness activities i.e. Games & Exercises.
- **Std.VIII** - Wheel Chart Making on different Asanas with their names and benefits.

INTERACT CLUB

- The **Installation Ceremony** was organized on **03.08.2023**. The Principal & the President of the Rotary Club administered the Oath of Office. It was followed by a Badge Pinning Ceremony for the Interact Club Members & a short cultural programme.

- An interactive session on **Career Guidance** was conducted by **Rotarian J.B Kabra** for **Std.X students on 17th August 2023**. An **Aptitude Test** will be conducted on 8.10.2023 followed by One to One **Counseling Session** with respective parents and students.

WORKSHOPS

For Students

- A workshop on **Financial Literacy** was conducted for the students of **Std.IX & X** on **12th July 2023**. The Resource Persons were Mr. Bhagat Banzal, Vice President and Mrs. Asmita Karulkar, Associate Vice President, **Unit Trust of India**.
- Workshops for the students of **Std.VI to X** were conducted by Mrs. Harpreet Randhawa from **Hindustan Times** on the following topics:
 - For **Std.VI & VII**, on **4th August 2023** on the topic '**I Can be the Best**'.
 - For **Std VIII & IX**, on **10th August 2023** on the topic '**Know yourself - Self Assessment**'.
 - For **Std X**, on **10th August 2023** on the topic '**Goal Setting**'.
- A Workshop on '**Eco Friendly Ganapati Idol Making**' under the guidance of Rotary Club, Thane was organised for **Std.VIII & IX** on **29th August, 2023**. Children under the guidance of skilled Artist, Mrs. Pournima Shirgaonkar & her team from '**Paryavaran Shala**' articulated the technique of sculpting clay into beautiful Ganapati idols.
- A special **Reading Time of 15 minutes** everyday has been allotted to enable children to read '**The Hindustan Times**' student edition newspaper. Also **News Reading** is made a compulsory feature in the Morning Assembly.

For Parents

- A workshop on **Rational Parenting** was conducted for the parents of **Std.X** on **15th July 2023**. **Mrs. Ketki Raut, the School Counselor & Guest Parents** of our School. **Toppers in Std.X Board Examination 2023, Mr. Vishwas Gade & Mrs. Soumya Sridharan** were the **Resource Persons**. They shared their experiences on how parents can support their children during this strenuous period of Std X & be a friend, mentor and guide for their wards.

TEACHERS DEVELOPMENT

The Principal and Teaching Staff of school attended 26 Online & Offline CBSE Teacher Development Programmes till **September 2023** as per CBSE guidelines under the given topics:

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| • Role of Guidance and Counselling Services in India. | • Knowledge and Skills for Modern World Educators |
| • Emerging Trends in Educational Technology | • Adolescent Peer Educators Leadership Programme on Mental Health and Well – Being |
| • Safety and Security in Digital Space | • PRAYOG Training for Principals |
| • Safe online communication | • School Quality Assessment and Assurance Framework (SQAAF) |
| • Pedagogical perspective of Virtual labs | • Admin Staff Training Programme - I |
| • Strengthening Assessment or Evaluation Practices | |

In addition, regular In–House webinars are also being conducted by our own teachers as Resource Persons.

ACHIEVEMENTS

SCHOLASTIC & CO – SCHOLASTIC

- ❖ Samriddhi Das of Std.VII & Nitika Kapkoti of Std VIII won **Trophy & Merit Certificate** in Solo Performance in **Inter-School Yoga Display Competition** organized by **Sri Maa Vidyalaya** on 1st July 2023.
- ❖ Gomti Mandar Dhumal of Std.VIII bagged **Gold Medal & Merit Certificate** in Kata and **Silver Medal & Merit Certificate** in Kumite in **All India Karate Championship 2023** on 2nd July 2023.
- ❖ Indrani Deo of Std.VIII won **Medal & Certificate** for securing 100 Percentile in Std.VII in **National Genius Science Examination Advanced 2023**
- ❖ Prachiti Ahire of Std.VIII & Vihaan Puntambekar of Std.VI won **First Prize Trophy & Merit Certificate** and Ciara Padale of Std.VI won **Second Prize & Merit Certificate** in **Sanskriti Kala Darpan - Inter School Choufer Vivid Kalagun Competition (Inter School English Elocution Competition)** held on 20th August 2023
- ❖ Manas Shinde of Std.IX secured **Second Place** in 600m run in **Thane District Athletic Meet 2023**. He has been selected for **State Level Competition** which will be held on 30th September and 1st October in Chiplun.
- ❖ Apratim Roy Choudhary of Std.VII & Kshitij Kelkar of Std.VIII of Junior Group (**Topic - Litter to Glitter**) & Senior Group of **Nirvan Magdum & Shivam Pakale** from Std. IX (**Topic - Fishy Farming**) qualified for **District Level Jidnyasa Competition**.

SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENTS

For Student:

- ❖ **Manthan Thakker** of Std. X has been presented the **All Rounder Student Award** by **Shakti Foundation** of India on 9th September 2023.

For Teacher:

- ❖ **Mrs. Rekha Chaudhari** has been conferred with the **Best Teacher Award** by **Shakti Foundation** of India on 9th September 2023 in appreciation of the invaluable service rendered to the Institution.

For School:

- ❖ Our school received **Partner in Progress Award** by **Spell Bee** for taking promising steps towards revolutionising English Language Learning in the academic community.

For Principal:

- ❖ Best District Principal Trophy was awarded to the school Principal by SOF in acknowledgement of her Vision, Leadership, Qualities and Academic Initiatives on account of which the students exhibited outstanding performance at District Level in Maharashtra.

"WE WISH YOU ALL A VERY BLISSFUL GANAPATI FESTIVAL."

Dr. Lipika Chandra
Principal