



Happenings

EDITORIAL

● April was a month of vibrant activity, growth, and joyful learning, even as the summer sun blazed overhead! Class 12 students escaped the heat with a memorable trip to Manali, while Class 10 experienced serenity in the bamboo forests of Saputara. Meanwhile, Grades 9 and 11 were warmly welcomed by teachers, easing their transition and building a strong sense of belonging.

Academic focus returned as Classes 10 and 12 began preparing for their first unit tests, laying a solid foundation for the upcoming board exams. To balance the rigour, an inter-house dance competition added energy and excitement, allowing students to showcase their talent and team spirit. Class 10 students impressed all with their well-prepared and eloquent speeches.

Grade 11 students explored new interests through their elective subjects, discovering their passion in arts, sciences, and leadership. The school also hosted a beautiful art exhibition—Van Gogh and Amrutkala—highlighting students' creativity. Preschoolers beat the heat with a fun mud bath and bhel party, while junior students enjoyed movie screenings. Middle schoolers wrapped up their activities and bid an emotional goodbye before the summer break. Through it all, students are learning resilience and balance—skills that will serve them well beyond the classroom. April truly set the tone for a fulfilling year ahead!

- Hrosanne Patel (10th)

UPDATES

Date	Event
5th	School reopens for Nur, Classes 1 to 12
6th	School reopens for Jr. KG. and Sr.KG.
14th	Investiture and Prize Giving Ceremony

JUNE ALMANAC

Date	Day	Events
5th	Thur	World Environment Day
7th	Sat	Eid-Al-Adha, World Food Safety Day
8th	Sun	World Ocean Day
21st	Sat	International YOGA Day
23rd	Mon	International Olympic Day, United Nations Public Service Day

100% Board Results for 2024-25

Category	ICSE	ISC
Merit	71%	69%
Distinction	15%	3%
First Class	11%	25%

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- **Inter House Championship 2024–2025** : This year's Inter House Championship saw enthusiastic participation across Junior, Middle, and Senior Schools, showcasing talent, teamwork, and house spirit.

SCORE-SHEET - THE INTER HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY - 2024-2025				
	JAL	VAYU	AGNI	PRITHVI
Student Council	Kalyanee, Ojas & Yashvee	Aarav, Hiteshi & Taanish	Afrin, Ruhi & Tanmay	Ananya, Tanisha & Ananya
Junior School	406	332	467	446
Middle School	996	1152	1126	1140
Senior School	239	475	487	380
TOTAL	1641	1959	2080	1966
Top Scorer in Junior School : AGNI HOUSE				
Top Scorers in Middle School : VAYU HOUSE				
Top Scorer in Senior School : AGNI HOUSE				
Runners - Up: PRITHVI HOUSE				
WINNERS OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY : AGNI HOUSE				



- **A wise visitor at school!** : Nalanda International's lush green campus is a haven to diverse Indian birds and animal species. A recent sighting of the elusive spotted Indian owlet perched high on a branch, eyeing onlookers with curiosity and suspicion, thrilled students and staff alike. Keep your eyes open—Nalanda hosts many such hidden wonders!



- **Satyanarayan Katha** : The school organized a serene Satyanarayan Pooja, fostering a spiritual ambience. Educators and staff gathered to offer prayers and seek blessings for prosperity and well-being of the school. The ceremony included devotional chants, the reading of the Satyanarayan Katha, and the distribution of prasad. It was a meaningful event that promoted cultural values and community bonding.



VAN GOGH'S EXHIBITION AND AMRUT KALA DISPLAY

- **Van Gogh's Painting Exhibition and the Amrutkala Craft Display** : In the inspiring words of Albert Einstein, "Imagination is more important than knowledge," and the students of Nalanda International truly brought this to life through their vibrant expressions of creativity. The Van Gogh and Amrutkala Exhibition was a breathtaking display of the students' imagination, beautifully translated into art and craft. The exhibition was inaugurated by our esteemed chief guests—Ms. Bhavna Shah, grandparent of Ishani Shah (Grade 3, Junior School), and Ms. Eshita Parikh, mother of Ohm Parikh (Nursery) and Ira Parikh (Class 2 Beta).

The exhibition spanned two days and welcomed parents from all sections, who were left awestruck by the range and quality of the work. Experienced judges from the field of fine arts expressed deep admiration for the students' creativity, attention to detail, and artistic expression. They especially praised the handcrafted wooden artifacts produced in the school's wood workshop, highlighting the skill and craftsmanship of our budding artisans. Students also added their own flair by presenting creative and colourful charts on themes like flowers, books, inspirational quotes, and owls. Their enthusiasm and teamwork was evident, making their class presentations truly stand out. The exhibition was a true celebration of imagination, talent, and artistic spirit.

- **Here's what our parents and students had to say :**

"Mesmerizing ! Hats off to the art work"

- Dr Tejal Nathadwarawala (Parent of Priyam, Sr.KG.ε)

"It's a proud moment to spot our child's art displayed so beautifully"

- Ms Pooja Patel (Parent of Dhyana, 7β and Kaira, 3β)

"Extremely talented artists, polished by dedicated teachers ! Excellent exhibition, an example of team work"

- Col Muralee Gopal (Parent of Kalyanee Shree, 12 Humanities and Narayanee shree, 4γ)

"Beautiful display. Really liked the mural art on stone and inspired to get a similar one for our house"

- Neeta Ratanghyara (Parent of Purva, 5β)

"Fabulous work by the kids and the efforts by the teachers is worth watching every time"

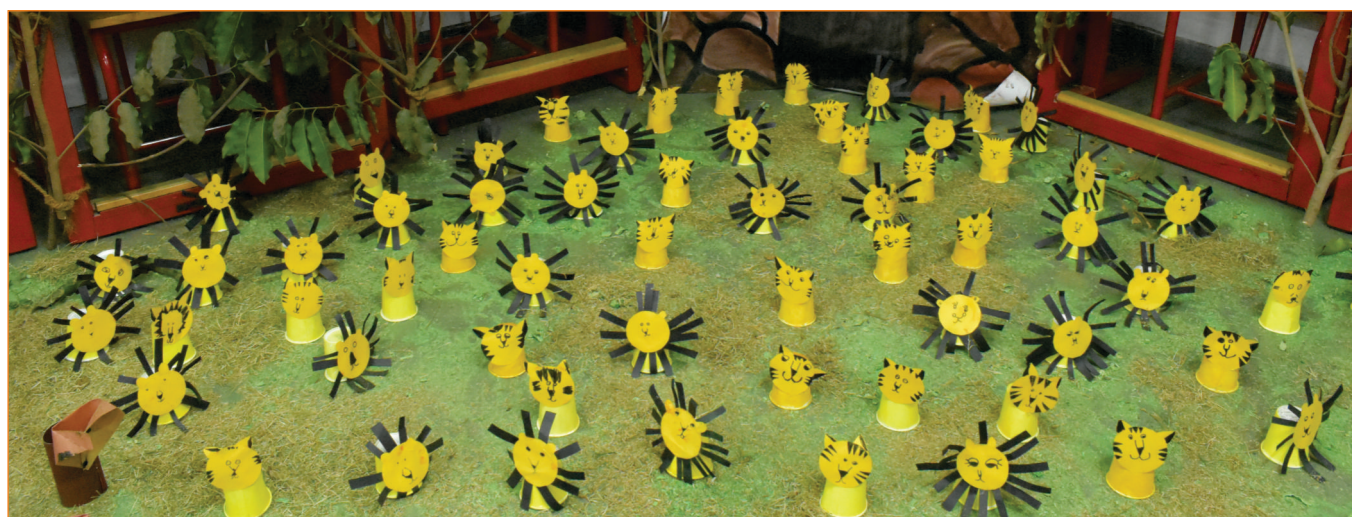
- Tejal Jain (Parent of Ayansh, Jr.KG.)

"The exhibition was jaw dropping. To name specific works of art that really fascinated me was the 'Bird Eye View of the City' made by Class 9 Technical Drawing students."

- Parin, 8δ

"Excellent ! Amazing ! Speechless!"

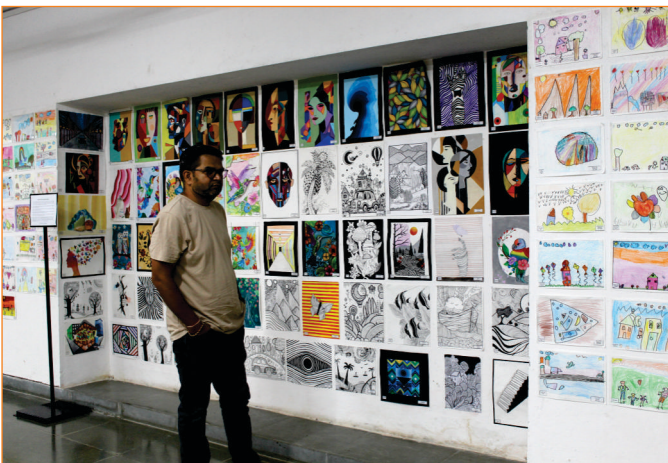
- Geetu Kapoor (Parent of Tiana, 12 Humanities)



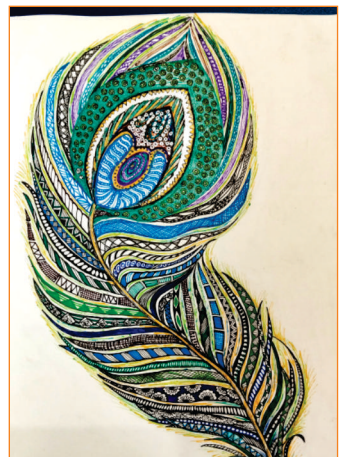
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PRE SCHOOL

- **Splish-Splash, Learn and Laugh** : Our Nursery to Sr. KG students had a splashing time during Splash Pool Week! Laughter filled the air as they enjoyed fun water activities with friends and teachers. Strict hygiene was maintained with fresh water and Dettol, ensuring a safe, healthy, and joyful experience for all.



- **Bhel Bonanza - A Tasty Treat with Friends!** : Our preschoolers had a blast making and enjoying delicious bhel with friends! Each child brought their own ingredients, which were mixed to create a tasty treat. As they sat together, enjoying the bhel and singing their favourite songs, the air was filled with laughter, chatter, and the joy of sharing.



- **PLS Activity - Soapy Fun and Learning Tool** : Our nursery children had a blast during a fun PLS activity, learning to wash their tiffin boxes with liquid soap and a scrub. Excited and eager, they developed essential life skills, boosting their independence, fine motor abilities, and hygiene habits. We're proud of their progress towards self-sufficiency!



- **Orientation Day - A New Beginning** : During the preschool parent orientation, Swati Ma'am, Principal Pre School, emphasized the importance of a nurturing environment and the collaborative role of parents and educators in child development. She outlined the play-based curriculum, designed to spark curiosity and foster lifelong learning. Ma'am reassured parents of the school's commitment to a safe, inclusive space, leaving them inspired and confident in their child's journey.



- **Joyful Giggles on April Fool's Day** : April Fool's Day brought laughter to the preschool building, as children and teachers enjoyed a playful prank. The class teacher pretended to be different teachers, guiding the children through a mock morning routine and attendance. Their confusion turned to delight when the truth was revealed, filling the atmosphere with joyful giggles.



- **Little Graduates, Big Dreams** : The Sr. KG Convocation was a heartwarming celebration of growth and creativity. Each child received a citation with thoughtful words from their class teachers, making parents feel proud as the citations were read aloud. The event included music, dance, and a collective song performance, with a joyful confetti shower, marking a confident step forward for these little graduates.



- **Decathlon Discovery** : Our preschoolers had an exciting field trip to Decathlon, where they got to see a variety of sports shoes, clothes, and equipment. They explored and learned about different items, sparking their curiosity and excitement about different markets and the things we can find in them!



- **Fresh Lemonade Fun** : The preschoolers had a fantastic time making lemonade on a sunny day! Each child brought a lemon, squeezed the juice, and mixed it with water, sugar, and salt. With joy, they stirred and sipped their refreshing drink, sharing smiles, stories, and the sweetness of friendship.

Squeeze, mix, stir, and sip,
Lemonade's ready, let's dip!



- **A Talk on Health Care** : The final workshop of the academic year focused on oral hygiene and dental care, debunking common myths and sharing essential facts. It was followed by a heartwarming slideshow of children's fun moments throughout the year, bringing smiles to all. Swati Ma'am concluded with helpful vacation tips, adding to the learnings.



- **Spotlight on Our Young News Readers** : Our talented young news readers from Jr. KG showcased their speaking skills and confidence, bringing energy and excitement to the day!

Classes	Names of the students
Jr. KG. β	Nityam
Jr. KG. γ	Swanandi, Srushti, Yuvik
Jr. KG. δ	Tiana, Devjitsingh

- **Last Manthan :** The last Manthan session was a heartwarming discussion where children shared what makes them happy and how they cope with sadness, offering insights into their emotional responses. A beautiful token from the teacher made the day even more special.

- **Walk to Vrindavan :** The school's mango orchard walk, thrilled the children as they marveled at the ripe, juicy mangoes hanging from the trees.

- **Last Day Fun! :** The last day was full of excitement, fun and a little sadness of leaving the friends and teachers. Children enjoyed watching movie - Mufasa and cherished eating their favourite food with friends.



JUNIOR SCHOOL

- **Field Trip to a Bakery :** On March 17th, Class 3 visited a bakery for an exciting field trip. The children were amazed by the huge rolling pin and mountain-sized dough. They learned how puffs are made, witnessing 95 puffs prepared in just 2 minutes. The trip was a perfect blend of hands-on learning and real-life math concepts.



- **Parents' Workshop** : On March 22nd, two engaging workshops were held for parents to support their children's development. The first, for classes 1 and 2, focussed on fostering self-reliance through daily routines, helping children build confidence and independence. The second, for classes 3 and 4, guided parents on effective exam preparation, emphasizing stress-free environments, structured study schedules, healthy habits, and motivation. Both sessions empowered parents with valuable insights to nurture their children's growth and academic success.



- **Here's what our parents had to say :**

This workshop emphasized navigating decision-making and encouraged parents not to become "plastic wrap parents," but to let children face and learn from their own situations.

- Parents of Sufiya Mansuri, 2δ

Effective parenting blends styles, avoids overprotection, and builds independence through time management and daily tasks.

- Parents of Aksh Dadhanian, 2γ

Children should be taught self-dependence, the value of time and money, strong morals, and the importance of managing without micromanagement.

- Parents of Inaayata Shahani, 1δ

This session helped parents understand how to raise responsible children.

- Parents of Akshraj Rathod, 1δ

Playing time is more important for children to develop their skills. Celebrate this journey of study with kids.

- Parents of Manasvi Raulji, 3ε

We should not take the stress of exams and also teach our child to do so.

- Parents of Prathamesh Bhatt, 4γ

Following daily routine studies is more beneficial than doing last minute study. Learning should be focussed on knowledge, not marks.

- Parents of Yashvee Unadkat, 4γ

Nothing sad/bad is the - "End of Life". The session worked as a booster dose just before exams.

- Parents of Arya Kathe, 4γ

- **Manthan** : On 29th March, a Manthan session was held for students of Classes 2, 3, and 4 on the topic "Books are better than films." The discussion highlighted how books offer a deeper, more personal experience by allowing readers to imagine characters and settings, while films present a fixed visual version. Students agreed that books provide greater detail, character insight, and help improve language skills, concentration, and creativity. The session was engaging and encouraged even non-readers to develop an interest in reading.

- **Knowing Yourself** : In April 2025, Class 4 attended an age-appropriate, insightful session on puberty, guided by educators from the Middle and Senior Schools. With clarity and care, the session addressed the physical, emotional, and social changes of growing up. Students participated with curiosity and maturity, creating a respectful space for questions. It was a meaningful step towards building awareness, confidence, and self-esteem.



- **Assembly** : Junior School has some special elements in the morning assembly being the last month of the academic year

Date	Performance by	Date	Performance by
1st April	Dance performance by Class 1β	9th April	Story session by Lalitha Ma'am
2nd April	3 X 3 Rubik cube Presentation by students	10th April	Tabla performance by Anshuman Class 4β
3rd April	Song by Jainam Suthar	11th April	Story Session by Mehul Sir
4th April	Dance performance by Class 4δ	15th April	Song by Mohit Sir
5th April	Song by Parent of Rhythm Patel 2α	16th April	Song and Keyboard performance by Tanishka Shah (1γ) Song by Pooja Ma'am
7th April	Song and Keyboard performance by Nimrat (1α)	17th April	Song by Pooja Ma'am
8th April	Dance performance by Pratha Class 4β		



- **DEAR time** : DEAR Time—"Drop Everything and Read"—is a quiet, dedicated period when students and teachers pause all work to enjoy reading. It nurtures focus, builds reading habits, and fosters a lifelong love for books by making reading a joyful daily routine.



- **Peer learning :** As part of our peer learning initiative, Class 4 students enthusiastically read storybooks to Classes 1 and 2, bringing stories to life with expression. The session enhanced listening and reading skills, boosted confidence, and fostered bonding, creating a joyful atmosphere filled with laughter, learning, and mutual respect.



- **Sr.KG. Orientation to Junior School Building :** Class 3 students gave Senior KG children a tour of the Junior School, introducing key areas like classrooms and the library. This peer interaction helped ease the younger ones' transition, making them feel excited and confident about Class 1.



- **Class 4 Orientation to Middle School Building :** To ease the transition to Middle School, Class 7 students gave Class 4 a friendly tour of key areas and shared helpful insights. This peer-led initiative built confidence, answered questions, and sparked excitement for the journey ahead.





- **Visit to Solar Panel** : Class 2 students visited the Senior School to explore solar panels and learn how they convert sunlight into electricity. The visit highlighted the benefits of clean energy, inspiring children to use natural resources wisely and support a greener future.



- **Best Notebook Award** : The Best Notebook Awards celebrated students who maintained neat, organized, and well-presented notebooks. This initiative encouraged good study habits, responsibility, and pride in work. Congratulations to the dedicated winners!

Subject	Best Notebook Awardees - Classes 1 and 2	
English	Rajveersinh(1α), Maanav (1β), Tanishka (1γ), Keith (1δ), Devaarsh (1ε)	Dhiyan(2α), Hayaan(2β), Prisha(2γ), Swayam(2δ)
Maths	Divija(1α), Reeva(1β), Pravva (1γ), Dhrihaan (1δ), Pankti(1ε)	Bhavy(2α), Prakshi(2β), Shreshta(2γ), Priyanshu(2δ)
EVS	Myra(1α), Vedashree(1β), Prishha(1γ), Prachit(1δ), Vihaan(1ε)	Anika(2α), Vaishnavi(2β), Rishita(2γ), Shivant(2δ)
Hindi	Mariam(1α), Ansh(1β), Prachit(1γ), Inaayata(1δ), Vaidik(1ε)	Aayra(2α), Nivaan(2β), Vedansh(2γ), Jiyanshi(2δ)
My Day	Aarohi(1α), Aadwik(1β), Vihaan(1γ), Darsh(1δ), Dhriya(1ε)	Rhythm(2α), Divyata(2β), Vivaan(2γ), Dhyuti(2δ)

Subject	Best Notebook Awardees - Classes 3 and 4	
English	Aanya(3α), Gatha(3β), Nysha(3γ), Ishani(3δ), Anushi(3ε)	Shiksha(4α), Dwija(4β), Yashvi(4γ), Hitanshi(4δ), Yaashi(4ε)
Maths	Om(3α), Drishani(3β), Dhyana(3γ), Meher(3δ), Manasvi(3ε)	Jash(4α), Shriya(4β), Dhoon(4γ), Kaashvi(4δ), Dev(4ε)
Science	Krishiv(3α), Kaira(3β), Aarshi(3γ), Rutvi(3δ), Myra(3ε)	Atharva(4α), Dhven(4β), Yashvee(4γ), Reyansh(4δ), Dev(4ε)
Social Science	Viaan(3α), Shanaya(3β), Aarshi(3γ), Siddhi(3δ), Chitrakshi (3ε)	Viha(4α), Hiya(4β), Dhimahi(4γ), Rushank(4δ), Sweera(4ε)
Hindi	Shreshtha(3α), Avyaan(3β), Dhyana(3γ), Ansh(3δ), Devanshi (3ε)	Shaurya(4α), Ananya(4β), Shree(4γ), Charvi(4δ), Bhavya(4ε)
Gujarati	Dhiaan(3α), Mishali(3β), Dhyana(3γ), Ishani(3δ), Sara(3ε)	Shiksha(4α), Shriya(4β), Moksh(4γ), Reyansh(4δ), Sweera(4ε)
My Day	Tariq(3α), Tashvi(3b), Rayyan(3γ), Shanaaya(3δ), Aarav(3ε)	Shiksha(4α), Jaitra(4β), Moksh(4γ), Charvi(4δ), Dev(4ε)

- **"A Fond Farewell: Celebrating Friendship and New Beginnings"** : On 17th April 2025, Class 3 warmly bid farewell to Class 4 with heartfelt performances, tilak, and handmade cards. The emotional event celebrated friendship, respect, and new beginnings, leaving lasting memories of joy, gratitude, and togetherness.



- **Last day at school** : The last day of school brings joy, excitement, and a hint of sadness as a cherished chapter ends. Students leave with memories, values, and friendships that last a lifetime. Though goodbyes are hard, new beginnings await. Farewell, dear students—may your journey ahead be bright and successful.



- **Movie Time** : Movie Time offered students of both Junior and Middle School a joyful break, blending fun and learning through entertaining films that sparked imagination, meaningful conversations, and lasting memories beyond the classroom.

The movies watched by students are as follows :

Class	Name of the Movie
Classes 1 to 4	Toy Story, Mufasa: The Lion King, Kung Fu Panda 4
Classes 5 to 8	Mufasa: The Lion King, Inside Out 2

- **Results of Inter-House Competitions :**

Tug of War	Winner	Runners Up
Class 1	Jal	Agni
Class 2	Agni	Jal

Class	Monoact Best Performers - Classes 1 and 2
1	Vayu - Kiaan (1α), Tanishka (1γ); Agni - Vaayun (1δ); Prithvi - Aadwik (1β), Dhriya (1ε)
2	Jal - Advait (2β), Dhyuti (2δ); Vayu - Parishhi (2α), Aadhya (2β), Vedansh (2γ); Prithvi - Smeraa (2α), Ira (2β)
3	Jal - Aarshi (3γ), Jiyaan (3ε); Agni - Ishani (3δ), Tariq (3α); Prithvi - Sanav (3β)
4	Jal - Yashwee (4γ), Reeyan (4δ); Vayu - Dhimahi (4γ); Agni - Dhun (4α), Aariv (4ε); Prithvi - Hiya (4β), Shresht (4δ)





Class and Game	One Minute Games Best Performers - Classes 3 and 4
3 (Palm Printing)	Jal - Aarav (3ε), Pranaya (3ε), Hitarthi (3δ), Aanvi (3β), Reyansh (3γ); Vayu - Myra (3ε), Gatha (3β), Tashvi (3β); Agni - Hridayraj (3ε), Kaira (3ε), Ishani (3δ), Parth (3β); Prithvi - Rudraansh (3δ), Shivansh (3δ), Kaira (3β), Mishali (3β), Shanaya (3β), Parshva (3γ)
3 (Ball Dribbling)	Jal - Aarav (3ε); Prithvi - Jaison (3γ), Ronit (3ε)
4 (Word Building)	Vayu - Zoya (4δ)
4 (Memory game)	Vayu - Riyaarth (4γ); Agni - Paranjaysinh (4α), Dev (4ε); Prithvi - Saachi (4δ)



Class	Bookmark making Best Performers
1	Jal - Mishika (1α), Vedashree (1β), Aadish (1γ), Inaayata (1δ); Vayu - Nirvi (1β), Vyansh (1ε), Grisha (1ε); Agni - Mariam (1α), Hayaan (1β), Vaayun (1δ); Prithvi - Darsh (1α), Pravaya (1γ), Anika (1γ), Dhrihaan (1δ), Dhriya (1ε)
2	Jal - Samarbir Singh (2γ), Nishka (2γ), Diya (2δ), Dhyuti (2δ), Anaaya (2δ); Vayu - Swara (2α), Vivaan (2γ); Agni - Nivaan (2α), Tharu (2β), Prakshi (2β), Prithvi - Vivaan (2α), Ira (2β)
3	Jal - Durva (3α), Drishani (3β), Aarshi (3γ), Reyansh (3γ), Charvi (3δ), Devanshi (3ε); Agni - Dhiaan (3α), Aarav (3α), Dhyana (3γ), Prachi (3δ), Devarya (3ε), Hridayraj (3ε); Prithvi - Rajvi (3β), Mishali (3β), Siddhi (3δ)
4	Jal - Karuna (4ε), Bhavya; Vayu - Khyati (4γ), Srushti (4δ), Zoya (4δ); Agni - Dhun (4α), Viha (4α), Aadhya (4β), Shriya (4β), Hiyaan (4g), Preisha (4ε); Prithvi - Shaurya (4α), Hiya (4β), Shanaya (4γ), Hitanshi (4δ)



- **Summer Camp** : The school buzzed with the joyful energy of summer camp! Basketball games, chess matches, woodwork, drama, dance, and music filled each day. From active play to artistic and intellectual pursuits, every student found something to enjoy. This vibrant blend of activities made the camp a fun, creative, and unforgettable experience for students of classes 3 to 7 who had opted for this.



MIDDLE SCHOOL

- **Understanding Growing Up - A Menstrupedia Session for Middle School** : On 8th April 2025, Middle School students attended informative sessions on puberty and menstruation. Boys discussed physical and emotional changes with Shivang Sir and Priyanshu Sir, while girls had a thoughtful session on menstruation led by Senior School students Ananya and Sharvaneer. The sessions promoted open dialogue and understanding in a safe space. As a follow-up on 11th April, Class 5 and 6 girls participated in a special Menstrupedia session with their mothers, reading and discussing the book together, making it a warm, meaningful experience.



- **Field Trip to a Step Well** : On 5th April, Class 5 visited Vidhyadhar Ni Vaav, a magnificent 18th-century stepwell. Students explored its intricate carvings, historical significance, and brilliant water management system. They asked questions enthusiastically and admired the stepwell's engineering. The trip offered a fun and educational experience, deepening their appreciation for India's architectural and cultural heritage.

- **Field Trip to a handicraft showroom** : On 10th April, Class 5 visited a well known handicraft showroom for a hands-on experience of traditional Indian crafts. They observed artisans doing hand embroidery, block printing, and natural dyeing. Interacting with the craftsmen, students learned about their skills, stories, and inspirations. The trip deepened their appreciation for India's rich heritage and highlighted the importance of supporting local artisans.



- **Field Trip to a monument** : Students of class 6 visited the tomb of Qutb-ud-din Muhammad Khan in Pratap Nagar, Vadodra, on 5th April 2025—coincidentally his 465th death anniversary. The serene atmosphere offered a peaceful break from the city's bustle. The Mughal-style tomb features an octagonal structure, arches, intricate jali work, and a double dome. Surrounded by well-maintained gardens, it's a pleasant site. Class 6 students were curious and gathered a lot of information, making the visit both enjoyable and educational.



- **Field Trip to an IT organization** : On 10th April 2025, Class 6 visited an IT company in Gotri. Students explored technologies like AI/ML, Microsoft tools, mobile and web development, and e-commerce platforms. They showed keen interest in coding, decoding, and innovative projects. The visit offered valuable insight into real-world tech applications and the benefits of practical learning through internships.



- **Field Trip to an Ashram :** Class 7 visited Aurobindo Ashram, experiencing a serene and spiritually enriching atmosphere. The peaceful silence and well-preserved house, maintained since 1956, deeply impressed the students. The museum's inspiring displays about Sri Aurobindo's life and teachings offered valuable insights. The visit left the children calm, enlightened, and spiritually uplifted—a truly memorable and enriching experience.



- **Field Trip to Weather Station :** Class 7's visit to the Weather Station was a highly informative experience. Students explored tools like the barometer, thermometer, anemometer, wind vane, and rain gauge, gaining hands-on understanding beyond textbooks. They also observed fields of castor, coconut, and pigeon pea. The trip highlighted the importance of weather monitoring for forecasting, climate studies, and safety in daily life.



- **Field Trip to a temple :** Class 8 students visited Vadodara's Kirti Mandir, a cenotaph built by Maharaja Sayajirao Gaekwad III to honour his ancestors. They admired its architecture and murals by Nandalal Bose, depicting scenes from the Mahabharata. Visits to nearby Shiv and Duttaray temples enriched the trip, offering students a memorable glimpse into Vadodara's royal heritage and Indian art.



- **Here's what our students had to say...**

I learnt that the IT company manages businesses like telecom and gaming; experts clearly explained its operations, and I found the coding part fascinating.

- Maharshi, 6A

The historic tomb was a very peaceful place. The architecture of the place is marvellous.

- Sahej, 6A

The step well has 6 floors and it has a cylindrical structure to store water. It was a wonderful experience to see the beautiful vaav.

- Vihana, 5B

We saw six meters long fabric being painted by the artists beautifully and the work needed perfection because the paint dries quickly. The staff was kind to us. The thing I liked the most was the hand made diaries.

- Rishya, 5Y

- **Budding Scientists :** Students of Class 5 presented science projects, demonstrating diligent research and the integration of theoretical concepts with practical implementation.



- **Night Out Class 8 :** Class 8's 'last night out' was full of fun and laughter. It began with pani puri and games, followed by IPL highlights and a splash in the pool. Students danced to Garba, enjoyed pav bhaji, and went stargazing. A morning walk wrapped up the magical night of bonding, fun, and unforgettable memories with friends and teachers.



● Results of Inter-House Quiz Competition :

Position	Class 5	Class 6	Class 7
First	Vayu	Jal	Prithvi
Second	Agni	Vayu	Vayu

● Results of Inter-House Debate Competition for Class 8 :

Position	Name of the participants
First	Vanshi (Prithvi)
Second	Ruhi(Agni)
Third	Netra (Agni)
Consolation	Hiteshi, Hriday (Vayu)

● Results of Inter-House Drawing Competition :

Position	Class 5	Class 6
First	Aarna (Prithvi)	Jivika (Jal)
Second	Kamakshi (Jal)	Dhyana (Agni)
Third	-	Ishita (Jal)
Consolation	Aarav (Jal), Aayushi, Katha (Prithvi)	Praryush (Prithvi), Rudra (Agni)



- **Manthan :** In the last Manthan session of the year, students had lunch with their Manthan partners and had an enriching and thoughtful discussion based on the topic 'Prioritising the tasks' where students understood the Stephen Covey's quadrants for prioritising the tasks and applied their understanding in solving the given worksheet using their critical thinking and it also enhanced their decision making skills.



● **Farewell to the Year :** On 17th April 2025, the academic year ended with heartfelt celebrations. A joint assembly and talent show set the tone, followed by Class 7's touching farewell for Class 8, featuring speeches, dances, and a nostalgic video. Classes 5 and 6 wrote emotional letters to parents, while students exchanged tokens with teachers, making it a memorable day of love, laughter, and togetherness.



● **Assembly Winners for the Year 2025-'26 :**



Winner - 5δ



Winner - 6γ, 6δ



Winner - 7δ



Winner - 8γ



Runner Up - 5α



Runner Up - 6β



Runner Up - 7γ



Runner Up - 8δ

SENIOR SCHOOL

● **Nature Camp to Saputara - Camping in the land of Bamboos** : Students of class 10 went on a four day camp to Saputara, a hill station in the Dang district of Gujarat. Students explored the Western Ghats through trekking and thoroughly enjoyed the bamboo art workshop. Students visited BAIF(Bharatiya Agro Industries Foundation) an organization that helps in the upliftment of tribal communities. A trip to the Vansda National Park and a few tribal villages enabled students to witness a variety of flora and fauna.

● **Here's what our students had to say:**

When there are less options, one must approach nature for help.

- Aaryan Kulkarni, 10 α

Knowledge gained was beyond books with new learnings.

- Ayan Patel, 10 α

From the adventurous treks to the delightful Dangi dance, each moment was filled with fascination and joy.

- Misti Saglani, 10 β

This year's nature camp was a superb experience, filled with joy, laughter, adventure and a lot of fun that we will cherish forever.

- Oorja Bhow, 10 β

The four days of camp have given me a collection of memories which I will hold close to my heart. A heartfelt thank you to the drivers and conductors for riding us safely to and fro vadodara.

- Arna Varia, 10 γ

The goods made of bamboo were some masterpieces we bought for our families. The trek was really adventurous and thrilling experience for each one of us.

- Viha Babariya, 10 γ



● **Adhyatmik Camp - The Great Himalayan Adventure** : Class 12 students participated in a transformative Adhyatmik Camp in Manali, engaging in yoga, meditation, trekking, leadership games, and visits to sacred sites like the Shiva Temple, Hadimba Temple, and a Buddhist monastery. Enlightening sessions by Mr. Madhu Menon and Mr. Joginder enriched their experience. The camp concluded joyfully with a brief shopping spree at Mall Road.

● **Here's what our students had to say:**

Our Adhyatmik camp to Manali was quite refreshing and enriching. The valuable lessons spoken by Madhu sir and Murali Sir gave us a different outlook towards life and ourselves.

- Kavya Thakkar, 12Comm.

The serene and tranquil setting of the Kullu district will always be part of our happy memories. Rappelling and Valley Crossing gave us a deserved adrenaline rush.

- Tavishi Garg, 12Hum.

We faced our greatest fears in the form of drawings, which made us realize that through art we can express what words cannot.

- Shriyans Phadke, 12Hum.

The sessions at Adhyatmik camp taught us all about ourselves and how to delve deeper to identify our true potential.

- Anvesha Singh, 12Sci.

We connected with our souls and learnt to appreciate nature, acknowledge our emotions and adopted the habit of being grateful.

- Suhani Patel, 12Sci.





● **Guest talk on Success and Significance** : On 28th March, a professional speaker and award winning author, gave a guest talk on success, the role of motivation, purpose of core values and significance of gratitude. He also emphasized on the role of conscious and subconscious mind. Students interacted with the speaker by asking him numerous interesting questions.

● **Here's what our students had to say :**

The resource person really broadened my view on what success is and what truly matters in life. His examples were very engaging and the acronyms he gave for AIM and WORRY were really interesting.

- **Arnesh Shah, 10^y**

I learnt to be happy with myself and work towards my goals without fear of judgment.

- **Aliva Das, 12Sci.**

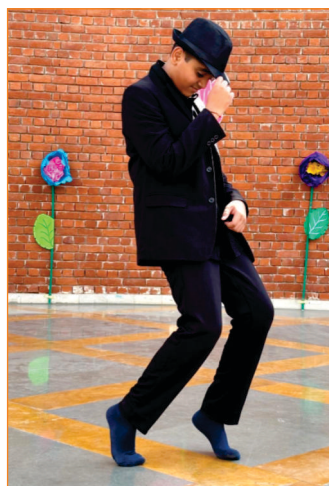
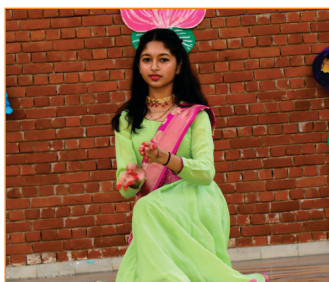
The session taught me not to measure success through society's expectations. It also guided us to build our core values.

- **Hrudaya Mehta, 12Comm.**



● **Results of Inter-House Dance Competition :**

Dance Forms	First	Runner up
Semi Classical	Chandini (Prithvi)	Hrosanne (Jal)
Folk	Devashree (Agni)	Toshini (Prithvi)
Bollywood	Vivaan(Agni)	Akshit (Vayu))



● Captivating assembly presentations of class 10 Alpha and Beta and Gamma :



● **Mindset and Motivation** : On 5th April, an ex Dean and professor of Maharaja Sayaraji Rao University gave a talk to our students on Mindset and Motivation. Children immensely enjoyed the talk.

● **Here's what our students had to say :**

The self reflective and inspiring anecdotes helped us to understand that whatever comes in our way, make the best use of it , in its true essence.

- Samadrita, 11Sci.

It was an intriguing talk that showed us a living example that failure is not the end but a learning.

- Ahar Sura, 11Sci.

The talk was very insightful and relevant. It gave us plenty of motivation and reassurance.

- Avik Shroff, 10α



● **Leading a life with core values** : Senior School students attended a talk given by a retired Colonel from the Indian Military. He spoke to children about leading a life which centers around core values like discipline, equality, honesty, team spirit and self confidence. With his incredible experience with the Indian military, the Colonel emphasized on the need to follow a value system in order to lead a successful life. He expressed his happiness to the Nalanda fraternity for inculcating these basic values and providing young minds with myriad opportunities.



● **Field Trip to Police Bhavan** : Students of grade 12 made a field visit to Police Bhavan in order to understand how the Vadodara police takes care of its citizens with utmost sincerity and precision. Students witnessed the numerous procedures and safety protocols undertaken by Vadodara police.

● **Here's what our students had to say :**

We interacted with the 'She Team' and learned about the measures taken by the police to ensure safety of females in Vadodara.

- **Hrudaya Mehta, 12Comm.**

I observed that the police work very hard everyday to keep us safe. Police control room has control over the PCR van of the whole city. They receive over 100 calls in 24 hours.

- **Aum Patel, 12Sci.**



● **Sunita Williams returns! Nalandians celebrate !** Sunita Williams' return from space, after a nine-month stay aboard the International Space Station, was met with widespread celebration and inspired millions. Students of Senior School staged a special assembly to commemorate her return and shared the values like leadership, teamwork, and resilience that one can learn from her experience.

CLASS 10 ELOCUTION

Name	Speech Title
Slot - 1	Judges - Alumnus Rishabh with his father Mr. Ganesh Deshpande
Ayaan Patel (Consolation)	Gaur Gopal Das - Rising India
Krishna Soriya (Consolation)	Yatin Bhaskar Duggal at National Youth Parliament festival
Vivaan Patel (Best Speaker)	Capt. Raghuram: Diversity is the new nationality
Ansh Patel	Bal Gangadhar Tilak's speech titled 'Swaraj is my birthright and I shall have it'
Ria Bhatt	Narendra Modi - India's AI vision
Arushi Baiju (Best Speaker)	Sushmita Sen's speech titled 'The womb of the Universe'
Hazel Srivastava	Palki Sharma - India's right path at Oxford University
Aryan Kulkarni (Best Speaker)	Sundar Pichai, CEO of Google on Indian Education System
Akshit Kumar	Narayan Murthy's speech at Bangladesh Business Awards
Purab Sorathiya	Shashi Tharoor- Future of UNFPA
Oorja Bhow (Best Speaker)	APJ Abdul Kalam Azad - My 3 visions for India 2011, Hyderabad
Iqra Shaikh (Best Speaker)	Mukesh Ambani Four golden lessons Dhirubhai Ambani imparted to his son, Mukesh
Hriyank Maurya	Atal Bihari Vajpayee speech at the 56th session of the UN General Assembly
Aditya Dash	M. F. Hussain: The Journey of M.F. Hussain
Angel Patel	Aishwarya Rai Bachchan - 'Bring a Smile'
Devansh Shah	Jawaharlal Nehru's speech rendered after Mahatma Gandhi's death
Bhavyaa Raulji	Tejasvini Manogna - 'Be the change that you want to see in the world'
Kashvi Patel	Priyanka Chopra - Full Power of Women
Saahil Sriram (Consolation)	Amitabh Bachchan - Power of Dreams
Slot - 2	Judges - Alumnus Charvi with her father Mr. Snehal Thakkar
Khyati Shah (Consolation)	Shrutikumar - Haward Convocation Speech
Devashree Nimkar	Palki Sharma: Telling India's story
Arhan Doshi	Rahul Bose - I have a dream
Arna Varia (Best Speaker)	Priyanka Chopra - 2017 UN speech, 70th anniversary
Reeva Achoriwala	Kriti Sanon: 50th anniversary, UNFPA
Gourish Potlia (Best Speaker)	Subhash Chandra Bose - Give me blood, I will give you freedom
Chandni Kevaria	Smita Sabharwal - Leadership has no gender
Krish Soni	Ratan Tata speech given to young, aspiring entrepreneurs
Maitik Shah	Shashi Tharoor - Oxford union speech, 2015 on Britain owing



Om Soriya



Sheraz Khan



Arhan Doshi

	reparations to India
Nishtha Tonapi	Mukesh Ambani gives lesson for the University of Life
Hrosanne Patel (Best Speaker)	Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel - After Independence
Jay Shah (Best Speaker)	R. Madhavan's speech at Harvard titled 'India in 2030'
Aadi Patel	Mr. Narendra Modi's speech in Australia about Indo-Australian relationship
Ahana Gandhi (Consolation)	Anjanakshi M.S - Connecting India culturally, geographically & economically
Heer Patel	Sudha Murthy's speech titled 'Discipline and Success'
Utsav Shah (Consolation)	Nikhil Kaamat's speech at The Vibrant Gujarat Summit 2024
Darsh Patel	Swami Vivekananda's speech on freedom of India
Rudraa Patel (Consolation)	Shweta Umre- Connecting India Economically, Geographically and Culturally
Adhya Mishra (Best Speaker)	Ravish Kumar Magsasay award speech
Slot - 3	Judges - Alumnus Pranav with his father Mr. Muthukumaran
Keya Shah	Namita Thapar - Business should be judged by numbers, not by gender
Aryan Gupta (Consolation)	Shashi Tharoor - Well Educated Minds vs Well Formed Minds
Misti Saglani	Osho - The Freedom to Live
Yug Purohit (Best Speaker)	Ratan Tata's speech at Harvard Business School
Jack Makwana	Virat Kohli's speech on the mindset of a champion.
Shreyas Sabde (Consolation)	Chetan Bhagat's speech titled 'Becoming one with the World'
Hrishi Shastri	Sundar Pichai CEO of Google - 'It's the idea that matters'
Vansh Shah (Best Speaker)	J. Krishnamoorthy - Who are you?
Richa Patel	Azim Premji - Shaping Young Minds
Viha Babariya (Best Speaker)	Smriti Irani's speech on Women's issues
Rutveg Lakudkar (Best Speaker)	Subhash Chandra Bose- INA Rally speech
Khushi Vaishnav	Dr. Devi Prasad Shetty speech titled 'It's not a solution if it's not affordable'
Kamaksha Patel	Atal Bihari Vajpayee - Kargil war
Harmin Sheth	Swami Vivekananda's speech at Parliament of World Religions
Shashvat Shah (Consolation)	B.R. Ambedkar November 25th, 1949
Aryan Manglani	Rahul Dravid's speech on former Indian cricketer, Praveen Tambe
Denil Lukka	Rishi Sunak - First speech after being elected
Mana Patel (Best Speaker)	Priyanka Chopra - Breaking the Glass Ceiling
Darshil Dholaria	Sachin Tendulkar's Farewell speech
Slot - 4	Judges - Alumnus Malika with her father Mr. Nishith Dand
Devansh Panchal	Dr. Vikram Patel - Mental health for all by involving all
Arnesh Shah (Best Speaker)	Atal Bihari Vajpayee - Statement to Parliament on nuclear tests in Pokhran
Avik Shroff	Amartya Sen's speech at Nobel banquet
Jash Patel	Dr. Ravi Chellam's speech on Translocation of Asiatic Lions
Tanay Rawat	Anand Mahindra- Purpose in life
Vrinda Bhatia (Best Speaker)	Sonu Sharma: The day when I came to know about written goals
Kathan Brahmbhatt	Astha Sharma's speech on Youth Parliament
Yashvi Patel	Rabindranath Tagore's speech titled 'Crisis in Civilisation'
Yesha Patel	Kiran Bedi - "I am a product of opportunities"
Ved Patel (Best Speaker)	Sonam Wangchuk: On the roles of Innovation in Education
Jinansh Saraf (Consolation)	Jay Shetty - Be the Change
Yuvraj Patel (Best Speaker)	Kailash Satyarthi- The Nobel Lecture
Zaara Shah (Consolation)	Deepika Padukone's speech on 'Mental health and Depression'
Tashvi Shah (Best Speaker)	Ratan Tata speech titled 'Why 2% succeed and 98% don't'
Jenny Makwana	J. Krishnamoorthy's speech on 'Root of fear'
Shivani Parekh (Consolation)	Dr. Veena Singh's speech on how to navigate being a female surgeon in India.
Viha Patel	Yasmeen Shaikh's speech on disability is not an inability.
Om Soriya	M S Dhoni's speech on his life and career
Sheraz Alam Khan	Shahrukh Khan's speech at Edinburgh when he was awarded Ph.d



Kamaksha Patel



Hriyank Maurya



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Heer Patel



Aadi Patel



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Kathan Brahmabhatt



Tanay Rawat



Bhavyaa Raulji



Avik Shroff



Kashvi Patel



Jenny Makwana



Devansh Panchal



Jash Patel



Yashvi Patel



Yesha Patel



Viha Patel



Akshit Kumar



Ansh Patel



Hazel Srivastava



Slot 4 Winners

Zara, Tashvi, Vrinda, Ved, Arnes, Yuvraj, Jinansh, Shivani



Slot 3 Winners

Shreyas, Yug, Aryan, Vansh, Shashvat, Rutveg, Viha, Mana



Slot 2 Winners
Utsav, Ahana, Khyati, Rudraa, Gourish, Jay, Hrosanne, Adhya, Arna



Slot 1 Winners
Oorja, Arushi, Vivaan, Iqra, Aryan, Ayaan, Saahil, Krishna

EDUCATORS' ENRICHMENT PROGRAMME - Summer Bustle!

- **Super Brain Yoga :** The Super Brain Workshop equipped educators with practical strategies to boost memory, focus, and mental agility. Through brain-training exercises and mindfulness techniques, teachers learned to enhance their own cognitive skills and classroom engagement. The session highlighted brain plasticity, promoting lifelong learning and intellectual wellness for both educators and students.



- **Classroom Management Session :** An insightful classroom management session equipped educators with effective strategies for discipline, engagement, and conflict resolution. Emphasizing proactive approaches like clear expectations, collaboration, and positive reinforcement, the workshop empowered teachers to foster inclusive, well-managed classrooms. Participants found the session enriching and valuable for enhancing their teaching environments.



- **Storytelling Workshop** : Lalitha Ma'am, Mehul Sir, and Prakruti Ma'am attended a workshop at MS University, on the theme 'Storytelling and Mental Health'. The session highlighted the importance of storytelling in classrooms and introduced techniques to enhance engagement. They further led a hands-on session for all educators at school focussing on narrative structure, character building, tone, and delivery. Educators learned to create emotional impact through storytelling, making it a powerful and memorable teaching tool.



- **Pursuing Professional Growth** : Falguni Ma'am, Senior School Art educator successfully completed a course on 'Expressive Drawing, Painting and Mixed Media Techniques course' offered by Udemy.

- **Me time** : Educators enjoyed spending their time doing their favourite 'Me' time activity. Educators got engrossed in reading, knitting their favourite items like table cover, video editing mandala art work and many more creative works. It was wonderful to see all enjoying their hobbies in their peaceful and tranquil surroundings.



- **Dear Time** : The school embraced a refreshing pause for its "Drop Everything and Read" (DEAR) activity. Educators across the school settled into comfortable corners, instantly absorbed in a diverse collection of books. A hush fell over the usually bustling hallways as educators indulged in the simple pleasure of reading. This dedicated time fostered a sense of calm and intellectual rejuvenation. DEAR time served as a valuable reminder of the joy and importance of reading, promoting a culture of literacy and reflection within the teaching community.



● **Book Review :**

Pre School	Title
Jyoti Ma'am	Wise and Otherwise
Ekta Ma'am	Personality Development
Heta Ma'am	How to be a Human
Garvi Ma'am	Jeevan Jeene Ki Kala

Junior School	Title
Sandra Ma'am	You Can Win
Dipika Ma'am	The Guide
Sheena Ma'am	The Monk Who Sold His Ferrari
Shalini Ma'am	The Lion Women of Tehran
Bindiya Ma'am	Super Skills & Top Tips
Meenakshi Ma'am	Atomic Habits
Mansi Ma'am	The Leader Who Had No Title
Sushmita Ma'am	Geetanjali
Kavita Ma'am	You Can Heal Your Life
Ritu Ma'am	You Become What You Think
Geeta Ma'am	Satsang Diksha



Middle School	Title
Shagufta Ma'am	Believe in Yourself
Ranjita Ma'am	The Search for Meaning
Bhavisha Ma'am	Maneka Ka Nishchay
Amrita Ma'am	The Power of Subconscious Mind
Aruna Ma'am	Kumar Sambhav
Gopa Ma'am	Dhulobali
Shivank Sir	Mistaken Modernity

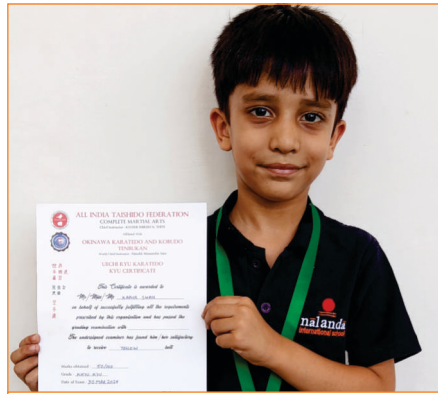
HALL MARKS



Dhey (Sr.KG. γ) and Dheya (2δ) had participated in "JAANTA RAJA" a grand historical Marathi play depicting the life and achievement of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj. The event took place from 3rd to 6th April at Navlakhi ground.



Aanya 5α, Secured Runner-up position in Open Baroda Tennis Tournament



Kabir Sr.KG. δ, secured Yellow belt at All India Taishido Federation.



Shreyaan 6β, Stood as Class Topper in Mathematics and Science Olympiad



Naivedhya Sr.KG. δ, secured Orange belt at ITOSU-RU (SHITO-RYU) KARATEDO



Shanaya 4γ, secured 2nd rank in U14 Mallakhamb at Vadodara Zilla Khel Sabha



Rishya 5γ, Ahaan 7δ, Saptok 5α Qualified Master Spellers Semi Finals



Prachit 1γ, secured 1st rank in handwriting competition



Aadwik 1β, secured 5th rank in Master Spellers Quarterfinals



Prakshi 2β, secured 3rd rank in Master Spellers Quarterfinals

PARENTING TIPS - PARENTS' WORKSHOP SCHEDULE 2025-2026 :

● Parents' Workshop Dates for the year 2025-'26 :

Month	Nur	Jr.KG.	Sr.KG.	CI 1	CI 2	CI 3	CI 4	CI 5	CI 6	CI 7	CI 8	CI 9	CI 10	CI 11	CI 12
June	16	18	19	9, 23	10, 24	11, 25	12, 26	9	11	12	12	20	20	20	20
July	7, *26	9, *26	10, *26	12, 28	12, 29	12, 30	12, 31	7	9	10	10	11	11	11	11
Aug	4, 18	6, 20	7, 21	11, 25	12, 26	13, 28	14, 29	4	6	7	7	1	1	1	1
Sept	1, 15	3, 17	4, 18	8, 22	9, 23	10, 24	11, 25	1	3	4	4	-	-	-	-
Oct	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	3	3
Nov	3, 17	5, 19	6, 20	10	11	12	13	10	12	12	10	21	21	21	21
Dec	*13	*13	*13	8	9	10	11	8	10	11	11	-	-	-	-
Jan'26	12, 27	13, 28	13, 29	5, 19	6, 20	7, 21	8, 22	5	7	8	8	23	-	23	-
Feb	16	18	19	23	24	25	26	9	11	12	12	-	-	-	-
Mar	9	11	12	*14	*14	*14	*14	16	16	18	18	-	-	-	-
Apr	*4	*4	*4	6	7	8	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	9	9	9	9				

* : Workshop at school

PS timing for Parents' Workshop is 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. (Mon, Wed, Thurs)

JS timing for Parents' Workshop is 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. (Mon to Thurs)

MS timing for Parents' Workshop is 4:15 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. (Mon, Wed, Thurs)

SS timing for Parents' Workshop is 3:15 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. (Classes 9 and 11); 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. (Classes 10, 12)

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