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नूतन वर्षाभिन्नंदन!

डिसेंबर महिना सुरु झाला की, वेध लागतात ते नवीन वर्षाचे! बघा ना! नवीन वर्ष या दोन शब्दांमध्ये केवढी उर्जा आहे. गतवर्षात कितीही संकटांना सामोरे जावे लागले असले तरीही ती संकटे आपण यशस्वीरित्या पार केली आणि नवीन वर्षाच्या दिशेने कूच केले ही मोठी गोष्ट आहे आणि म्हणूनच सरत्या वर्षाचा शेवटचा दिवस म्हणजेच ३१ डिसेंबर जगभरात मोठ्या दिमाखात, उत्साहात साजरा करतात.



प्रियांका बर्वे

नवीन वर्ष म्हटले की, साहजिकच विचार येतो तो नव्या संकल्पांचा. अनेकांना "संकल्प करणे" म्हणजे काय हे माहित असते. पण केलेला संकल्प नेटाने पाळणे यात खरे कौशल्य असते. वर्षाच्या पहिल्या दिवशी केला जाणारा एखादा संकल्प त्या वर्षाच्या शेवटच्या दिवसापर्यंत नेटाने पाळला पाहिजेच. यातून आपल्यात नियमितपणा, वक्तशीरपणा आणि नेटकेपणा असे गुण वृद्धिंगत होऊ लागतात म्हणजेच कर्तृत्ववान होण्यासाठी पायाभरणी करण्याची हीच ती सुवर्णसंधी!

नवीन वर्ष म्हटलं की फक्त दिनदर्शिकेतील वर्ष बदलून आयुष्यात बदल घडवता येत नाहीत. तर त्यासाठी लागते ती आजूबाजूची परिस्थिती आहे तशी स्वीकारण्याची क्षमता आणि जिथे शक्य असेल तिथे आवश्यक ते बदल घडवून आणण्याची जिद्द. या आणि अशा अनेक स्वभाव गुणांतून माणूस एक समाधानी आणि जबाबदार नागरिक बनू शकतो. म्हणूनच १ जानेवारी हा दिवस नुसता फटाके वाजवून साजरा न करता पुढील वर्षात गुणांची आणि कर्तृत्वाची आतिषबाजी कशी करता येईल याचा विचार करण्याचा दिवस आहे. चला तर मग नव वर्षाचा संदेश जगाला देऊया!

‘झाले गेले विसरुनिया, स्वप्न नव्याने पाहूया,
गत वर्षाला निरोप देऊनी, नव वर्षाचे चित्र रेखाटूया.’

प्रियांका बर्वे,

प्रभारी मुख्याध्यापिका, परांजपे विद्यालय प्राथमिक विभाग

४६ वर्षांची पार्ले टिळक ट्रॉफी

पार्ले टिळक विद्यालय असोसिएशनची शान, कोण मिळवतो टिळक ट्रॉफीचा मान? हा प्रश्न दरवर्षी मुंबईतील शाळांना पडतो. ४६ वर्षांची अनोखी परंपरा जपत सालाबाद प्रमाणे याहीवर्षी ३ डिसेंबर २०२३ रोजी पार्ले टिळक विद्यालय असोसिएशनच्या विलेपार्ले येथील पार्ले टिळक विद्यालय मराठी माध्यम, पार्ले टिळक विद्यालय इंग्रजी माध्यम व पार्ले टिळक विद्यालय ICSE शाळा या तीनही मैदानांवर टिळक ट्रॉफीच्या विविध सामन्यांचे आयोजन करण्यात आले होते.



पार्ले टिळक विद्यालय असोसिएशनचे विश्वस्त श्री.दिलीप पेठे यांनी या क्रीडा सोहळ्याचे उद्घाटन केले. संस्थेचे विश्वस्त श्री. हेमंत भाटवडेकर तसेच संस्थेच्या सर्व शाळांचे अधिकारी व शिक्षक-शिक्षकेतर कर्मचारी हे सर्व उपस्थित होते. मुंबईतील विविध शाळांमधील सुमारे १०७ संघांनी या ठिकाणी आपली हजेरी लावली होती. सुमारे १३३२ स्पर्धक खेळाडूंच्या उपस्थितीने विद्यालयांची प्रांगणे फुलून गेली होती. व्हॉलीबॉल, खो-खो, कबड्डी, फुटबॉल या क्रीडाप्रकारांचे सामने भरवण्यात आले होते. व्हॉलीबॉलचे एकूण ३३ संघ सहभागी झाले होते. त्यात मुलांच्या १९ संघातून केंब्रिज हायस्कूल, कांदिवली हा संघ विजेता तर ऑक्सफर्ड इंटरनॅशनल स्कूल हा संघ उपविजेता ठरला. मुलींच्या १४ संघातून चिल्ड्रन्स अकॅडमी, मालाड

हा संघ विजेता तर पार्ले टिळक ICSE हा संघ उपविजेता ठरला.

खो-खो खेळाच्या एकूण १६ संघांपैकी मुलांच्या ९ संघातून महात्मा गांधी विद्यामंदिर, बांद्रा हा संघ विजेता ठरला तर नंदादीप विद्यालय, गोरगाव हा संघ उपविजेता ठरला. मुलींच्या ७ संघातून महात्मा गांधी विद्यामंदिर, बांद्रा हा संघ विजेता ठरला तर गोकुळादास हायस्कूल, गोरगाव हा संघ उपविजेता ठरला.

कबड्डीचे एकूण ५० संघ सहभागी झाले होते. त्यापैकी मुलांच्या ३२ संघांमधून आंध्रा एज्युकेशन सोसायटी, वडाळा हा संघ विजेता तर नंदादीप हायस्कूल, गोरगाव हा संघ उपविजेता ठरला. मुलींच्या संघांमधून अवर लेडी नजारेथ हायस्कूल, भाईर हा संघ विजेता तर महात्मा गांधी विद्यामंदिर

बांद्रा हा संघ उपविजेता ठरला.

फुटबॉल या खेळासाठी मुलांचे ८ संघ सहभागी झाले होते. यात शेरांन इंग्लिश मीडियम स्कूल, मुलुंड हा संघ विजेता तर पार्ले टिळक विद्यालय इंग्रजी माध्यमाचा संघ हा उपविजेता ठरला. संघाकाळी सर्व सामने संपल्यावर पार्ले टिळक विद्यालय असोसिएशनचे अध्यक्ष अनिल गानू यांच्या उपस्थितीत पार्ले टिळक विद्यालय मराठी माध्यमाच्या मैदानावर पारितोषिक वितरण समारंभ पार पडला. सर्व विजेत्या संघांना टिळक ट्रॉफीचा फिरता चषक व एक कायमस्वरूपी चषक अशी सन्मानचिन्हे देऊन गौरविण्यात आले. अशा रीतीने स्पर्धाकांच्या मनात जिंकण्याची नवी उमेद निर्माण करणारा हा पार्ले टिळक ट्रॉफीचा क्रीडा सोहळा संपन्न झाला.

Parle Tilak Vidyalaya (ICSE) wins INDIA SCHOOL MERIT AWARD

At the All-India level, Parle Tilak Vidyalaya (ICSE) has received the prestigious INDIA SCHOOL MERIT AWARD. The school is ranked 11th in India, 5th in Maharashtra, and 4th in Mumbai under the category – Top 20 ICSE Schools in a survey conducted by Education Today. India School Merit Awards, 2023 are based purely on merit, jury rating, parent's votes (93,528 votes), and Education Today Team Analysis (Perception based, Survey and Nomination based). The Principal, Dr (Mrs) Arnavaz Bhagat received the award at the ceremony held in Bangalore on December 11.



conferred with the prestigious Star Education Award 2023 under



the category of 'BEST SCHOOL' in the entire East and West Zone of

Vile Parle, on December 5. This recognition by ESFE (Education Supply & Franchise Expo) in collaboration with the Education Department of Maharashtra and the Sports and Education Department, Government of Maharashtra is a testament to the school's unwavering commitment to excellence in education.

PTV (ICSE) was also awarded the 'Leading School in National Curriculum' by the TIMES School Survey 2023 in association with Optimal Media Solutions, a division of Times Internet Limited, a TIMES Group Company, on December 19.

६ आणि ७ जानेवारीला पाटिविअचे भव्य प्रदर्शन



दरवर्षी प्रमाणे याहीवर्षी पार्ले टिळक विद्यालय मराठी शाळेच्या प्रांगणात भव्य प्रदर्शन भरवण्यात येणार आहे. शनिवार ६ जानेवारी आणि रविवार ७ जानेवारी २०२४ ला हे प्रदर्शन भरवण्यात येईल. यंदा या उपक्रमाचे पाचवे वर्ष आहे. आतापर्यंतची प्रदर्शने कशी भरवण्यात आली, प्रदर्शनाचे विषय कसे ठरतात, आखणी कशी होते तसेच यावर्षीचे प्रदर्शन कोणत्या विषयावर असेल याबद्दल सर्वांनाच कुतूहल असते. ज्यांच्या संकल्पनेतून हा उपक्रम साकार झाला ते संस्थेचे सह कार्यवाह श्री. हेमंत भाटवडेकर यांच्याकडून आपण ही माहिती जाणून घेणार आहोत. पार्ले टिळक विद्यालय असोसिएशनच्या आय सी एस इ शाळेचे दोन विद्यार्थी पा टि वि अ ची प्रदर्शने या अनोख्या उपक्रमाविषयी, सरांशी संवाद साधत आहेत. हा माहितीपूर्ण संवाद ऐकण्यासाठी शेजारील QR Code स्कॅन करा.

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Urjita Patil (X B), Jigyasa Patil (X C), and Kasturi Naik (IX A) of PTVEMS (Secondary) won the Girls U17 table tennis tournament organised by the District Sports Office at Goregaon Sports club on October 17 and have qualified for the district level.

Anoushka Patil (X C) of PTVEMS (Secondary) ranked second in Maharashtra at the Federation State Level competition at Infinity Gymnastics LLP - Pune, on December 10. She has been selected for the nationals which will be held at Bhubaneswar starting from December 27. Additionally, she also won three gold medals (Balancing Beam, Floor Exercise and Vaulting Table) in the Artistic Gymnastics competition conducted by the MSSA. Besides, she earned a silver medal in the Vaulting Table, a bronze medal in the Balancing Beam, and a gold medal in the Team Championship at the SGFI Nationals 2023 in Delhi.



Heramb Sawant

Ananya Tirlotkar

Heramb Sawant (V C), a student of PTVEMS (Secondary) with an impressive score of 49.06 points secured the second place in the RYP Diving Competition organised at the Prabodhankar Thackeray Krida Sankul. Ananya Tirlotkar (IX A), also from PTVEMS (Secondary) won the second position in the U15 category with 188 points.

Inter-school बाल एकांकिका competition done right



PTVEMS students Ameya Parulekar (IX A), Palavi Vedpathak (IX D), Aarya Deshmukh (IX B), Stuta Divekar (IX B), Sakhi Telang (IX B), Sharvi Vaidya (IX B), Aarya Mahade (IX C), Soham Joshi (IX B), Rajas Kunte (IX D), Deesha Bhat (IX C), Saeed Deo (IX C), Sukumar Damle (IX C), Swanandi Birje (IX B), Dhaval Mandavkar (VII B), Mishti Shetty (VII B), Soumya Kulkarni (VI B), Shrivani Wagle (IX C), and Tejomay Oke (VIII B) presented a Marathi drama called 'Jay Gange Har Har Gange' at the inter-school

बाल एकांकिका competition organised by Utkarsh Vidyamandir, Malad. The drama was scripted and directed by teacher Dr Vidnyapana Gokarnakar, and was assisted by Hrishikesh Desai and Saaniya Pethe (for dance) and Swaraj Patil (for lights).

Dr Gokarnakar won the first prize in the 'best writer' category. Madhura Mashankar (VIII D), Tejomay, Shrivani, Soumya, Mishti, Rajas, and Ameya secured the first place in 'best music' category. Stuta received the 'special mention for acting.'

A visit to the Tata Institute of Fundamental Research

On November 26, 16 students of PTVEMS (Secondary) visited the Tata Institute of Fundamental Research (TIFR), a premier research institute under the Department of Atomic Energy of the Government of India. School Headmistress Mrs Smita Biwalkar, and Science teacher Mrs Minal Deo accompanied the students.

Once a year, TIFR hosts an open day for school students and teachers. During PTVEMS' visit, a day-long event was planned to introduce the students to the world of research in Science and encourage them to pursue studies



in the field of Pure Sciences. The students also interacted with the in-house research scholars

and scientists, who shared their valuable experiences and conducted exciting experiments.

PTVEMS alumnus involved in making of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj statue



PTVEMS ex-student Satish Desai had the honour of being involved in the making of a grand statue of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj. On the eve of the Navy Day, the statue was erected at Rajkot Fort and it was unveiled by Prime Minister Shri. Narendra Modi.

Satish Desai of Design 3D System Pvt Ltd, Mumbai made significant technical contributions as he successfully executed the 3D scanning and digital cloning of the original idol of Shivaji Maharaj created by the sculptor Jaideep Apte. The 3D file required for the construction of the grand statue was also created by Desai.

Sealing the top spot at the Science Exhibition



In the Science Exhibition 2023-24 organised by the Education Department from December 12 to 14 at the J. E. S English Medium School, Jogeshwari, PTVEMS (Secondary) won the first prize in the Senior Group Project category. The project 'Destination Computation' was presented by Stuta Divekar, Paalavi VedPathak, Manali Mainkar, Arya Kolekar, Eshita Raut, and Charvi Bhatkar. They were guided by school's Science and Maths teacher, Mrs Sadhana Kamekar.

In the same exhibition, school's Nature Club 'The Young Explorers Nature Club', for the second year in a row, was declared the second-best Nature Club in the KP East Ward. The Nature Club is blessed to have excellent advisors in Mrs Kavita Kapoor, Mrs Nita Banavali, Mrs Anjalee Bhoj, Mr Kalpesh Satra, and Mrs Shashi Gupta.



Aryan Desai scores 212* in Giles Shield

Aryan Desai of PTVEMS (Secondary) hit a double ton powering his school to a mammoth 383-run win over IES Secondary School (Bhandup) in the MSSA Giles Shield. The victorious PTVEMS scored 415/1 in 43 overs with Anush Shelar muscling 127 and Aryan Desai plundering an undefeated 212. Later, PTVEMS bowled out IES for a paltry 53 in 15.3 overs, thanks to Gandharv Kumbhar, who wreaked havoc with the ball snapping 7/5.

Saguna Baug...here we come!



PTVEMS (Primary) organised a school picnic to Saguna Baug (Karjat) on December 1. We set out for the journey in buses fully packed with students and teachers. All the students kept singing and dancing till they reached the venue.

We were welcomed there by a brace of ducks swaying to the other side of the road. The destination escorts guided us to the breakfast table. We enjoyed the sumptuous breakfast and then set out for the agro tour in groups.

The bullock cart ride reminded us of our native place. Paddle boating gave a glimpse of nature

floating around in the green water. Students and teachers enjoyed at the 'Bird Aviary' watching the Ostrich, Emu and holding the Iguana on their heads and shoulders. The amount of fun the students had on the hammock and climbing the trees was simply unmatched. We then learnt about the 'Aqua Culture'. The students were thrilled to perform drag net fishing and then touch the variety of fishes they had caught.

After lunch, we engaged in activities like oil extraction, drip irrigation, etc. The escorts interacted with the students providing them with the

information about these activities and sensitising them towards 'Mother Nature'.

The most-awaited event of the day was the 'The Magic show'. The magician performed some amazing tricks. The 'Snake show' was also fabulous. In the end, Mallakhamba, in which a group of local gymnasts performed breathtaking aerial yoga and gymnastic postures using wrestling grips in concert with a stationary pole mesmerised us.

Finally, vada pav with kokum sherbet spiced up the memories of the day for a lifetime.

- **Ms Manashri Kashalkar, Class Teacher of IV D, PTVEMS**



Remembering Maulana Azad on National Education Day

PTVEMS (Primary) observed National Education Day on November 22. The Day is actually celebrated on November 11 every year to mark the significance of education and highlight the importance given to education by India's first Education Minister Maulana Azad.

The celebration commenced with school Headmistress Mrs Kalpana Kalekar paying her homage to the photo frame of Maulana Azad. It was followed by Ms Devangi Wadke's (Class Teacher of II A) speech which

emphasised the importance of the day.

Later, students engaged in various activities like picture colouring, collage making, sketching, and poster making. The students' works were displayed in their classrooms and on the display boards. Through this celebration, the students learnt about the theme of current year's Education Day - Embracing Innovation.

- **Ms Devangi Wadke, Class Teacher of II A, PTVEMS**

Mind Your Character



The first activity of the Book Club named 'Odyssey - The Literary Sparks', which was initiated for the students across grades 6 to 10 of PTV (ICSE), was a creative writing activity called "Mind your Character." This activity involved selecting a character from the play 'Merchant of Venice' and then reimagining that character to change the entire plot of the narrative. Each student

was tasked with writing a story of 200 to 250 words based on this altered character and presenting it before their class on a designated date. Through shared insights and diverse perspectives, book club members embraced the notion that understanding characters can lead to a better understanding of oneself and the world around.

Dr. Yogini Mohare conducts an interactive session on "Heal Your Life"

"Heal Your Life", an interactive and insightful session was undertaken by Dr Yogini Mohare, an ex-student of PTV Marathi Medium School, a family physician, and an International Heal Your Life teacher and leader, for the teaching and non-teaching staff of PTVEMS (Primary) on October 30.

The workshop was based on the philosophy of Louise Hay wherein Dr Mohare emphasised on how healing ourselves is essential for our own development wherein all the aspects of/for growth should be considered. She shared various ways through which one can focus on their own development

without being labelled as 'selfish'. She also stressed on the importance of how to love your own self and body by focusing on your thoughts and the way you perceive them. Additionally, she stated that on an average a person has approximately 60,000 thoughts within a day, of which the majority are negative.

Dr Mohare suggested three basic yet helpful exercises which if included in the daily routine would prove to be beneficial in the long run. The session concluded with a reminder to feel happy, loved and accepted by our own self.

- **Ms Devangi Wadke, Class Teacher, II A, PTVEMS**

“तिळगुळ घ्या, गोडगोड बोला”

सर्वना गोड गोड बोलण्याचा आणि गुण्या गोविंदाने नांदण्याचा संदेश देणारा भारत हा जगातील एकमेव देश आहे. भारत हा कृषिप्रधान देश आहे. या देशात अनेक सण समारंभ मोठ्या जल्लोषात साजरे केले जातात, त्यातीलच मकर संक्रांत हा जानेवारी महिन्यात व हिंदू पंचांगाप्रमाणे पौष या दहाव्या मराठी महिन्यात येणारा सण आहे.

पौष महिना म्हणजे हेमंत, शिशिराचा संधीकाल. शेतात धुकं पसरायच्या ऐवजी त्या धुक्यातच शेत झोपून जातं. हरभयाच्या बांधावरून चालताना पाऊस नसताना देखील दवबिंदूनी पावलं ओली गच्च होतात. अशा या पौष महिन्याचे महिमान म्हणजे 'मकर संक्रमण' या पौष महिन्यातच म्हणजे जानेवारी महिन्याच्या चौदा किंवा पंधरा तारखेला सूर्य धनुराशीतून मकर राशीत जातो तेव्हा होते. यालाच 'मकर संक्रांत' असे म्हणतात. या दिवशी सूर्याचे दक्षिणायन संपून उत्तरायण सुरू होते. सूर्याचे एका राशीतून दुसऱ्या राशीत प्रवेश करणे याला 'संक्रमण' किंवा 'संक्रांत' म्हणतात. एक पुण्य पर्व व सण या दोन्ही दृष्टीने या दिवसाला एक आगळे वेगळे महत्त्व आहे. पितृकाल सुरून देवताकाल सुरू होतो. आळसाच्या रात्री आखूड होत जातात व उद्योगाचे दिवस मोठे होऊ लागतात. सृष्टीचा मंदावलेला विकास नव्या दमानं नव्या दिमाखाने परत सुरू होतो. मकर संक्रांत हा सण ठराविक तिथीलाच येतो असे



नाही पण इंग्रजी तारखेनुसार १४ किंवा १५ जानेवारीला येतो. या दिवशी सूर्याची गती उत्तरेकडे वळते. त्यावेळेपासून दिवस थोडा थोडा वाढत जातो व रात्र लहान होत जाते. मकर संक्रांतीपासून कर्क संक्रांती पर्यंतच्या काळास 'उत्तरायण' म्हणतात याला 'देवयान' असेही म्हणतात. ज्ञानी तपस्वी योगी लोक उत्तरायणाला 'ज्ञानमार्ग' समजतात. संक्रांतीच्या आदल्या दिवशी भोगी असते. संक्रांतीच्या आधीपासून म्हणजे सुमारे महिनाभरापासून धनुर्मास पाळण्याची पद्धत आहे. या दिवशी तीळ लावून स्नान करतात. या दिवशी तीळ लावलेल्या बाजरीची भाकरी, लोणी, वांग्याचे भरीत, मुगाची गरमागरम खिचडी अशा पदार्थांचे भोजन केले जाते. हे सर्व पदार्थ पौष्टिक, स्निग्ध व आरोग्यदायक असतात. हा सण म्हणजेच स्नेहवर्धनाचा गोड संदेश देऊन जीवनात गोडवा वाढवणारा सण आहे. नवविवाहित वधूचे हळदीकुंकू विवाहानंतर प्रथम संक्रांतीलाच करण्याची प्रथा आहे. तिला या दिवशी काळी साडी भेट दिली जाते व हलव्याचे दागिने मुलीला व जावयालाही देऊन त्यांचे कौतुक केले जाते. तसेच लहान बालकांनाही संक्रांतीच्या निमित्ताने काळ्या रंगाचे कपडे घालून त्यांना हलव्याचे दागिने घालणे अशा पद्धतीने अनेक ठिकाणी दिसून येतात.

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Ms Kamakshi Kulkarni of PTVEMS (Primary) won the first prize in the mono acting competition organised by Lokmanya Seva Sangh on November 8. She bagged a cash prize and a certificate for her achievement.

Protecting the physical, mental and emotional development of children

PTVEMS (Primary) organised PAALAK SHAALA for the parents of students of standard I to IV on October 28 in the school hall.

The 'Suraksha Chakra' seminar by 'R Society R Responsibility' centred around the holistic development of children, encompassing their physical, mental and emotional well-being. Hema Nerurkar (Founder Team

RSRR) and Preeti Khanna (Co-founder Team RSRR) were the speakers.

The essence of the seminar revolved around the critical need to safeguard and nurture the fundamental characteristics of children, crucial formative experiences of childhood, and protecting their innocence. The parents attended the seminar in large numbers.



A journey through 2023

In 2023, the world experienced a series of impactful events that touched various aspects of life. Here's a month-wise record of the key happenings:

January 15, 2023: Global Aviation Safety was brought into question with the tragic Yeti Airplane crash which claimed lives and prompted reflection on the industry's practices.

February 6, 2023: Syria and Turkey grappled with the aftermath of a devastating earthquake, emphasizing the need for efficient disaster response and recovery efforts in the region.

March 14, 2023: OpenAI launched GPT-4 on March 14. The updated version is more reliable and creative than its predecessor.

April 15, 2023: Germany took a significant environmental stride by shutting down its last three active nuclear power plants, highlighting the country's commitment to renewable energy sources and reducing carbon

emissions.

May 6, 2023: The United Kingdom witnessed a historic moment with the official coronation of King Charles III, solidifying the country's monarchy and marking a symbolic shift in leadership.

June 2, 2023: Three trains collided in Balasore district in Odisha. The Coromandel Express entered the passing loop instead of the main line near Bahanaga Bazar railway station at full speed and collided with a goods train. Due to the high speed of the Coromandel Express, its 21 coaches derailed and three of those collided with the oncoming SMVT Bengaluru-Howrah Superfast Express on the adjacent track.

July 14, 2023: India continued its space exploration endeavours with the successful launch of Chandrayaan-3 and the subsequent landing on the lunar south pole. This achievement solidified India's position as a global player in space exploration and furthered scientific



knowledge about the moon.

August 23, 2023: The Chandrayaan-3 mission, which landed on the Shiv Shakti Point on August 23 made several big-ticket findings beyond rocketing India into an elite club of just four nations that



possess the capability of touching the rugged lunar surface.

September 23, 2023: The commencement date of Asian Games 2022 in China. For the first time, India crossed the tally of 100 medals in the Asian Games. India secured 107 medals in total and stood fourth in the competition.

October 8, 2023: Geopolitically, Israel's declaration of war against the Hamas militants added to the tensions in the region, highlighting the fragile

balance of power and the ongoing conflicts that exist.

November 19, 2023: India reached the finals of the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup.

December 24, 2023: Indian women's cricket team create history as they beat Australia for the first time in Test cricket.

As the year came to a close, the diverse array of events in 2023 left an indelible mark on global affairs, Science, and sports, showcasing the triumphs and challenges that shape our world.

#Restart became a popular word in my family after we watched the film '12th FAIL'. The film gave an inspiring message – to restart, start afresh and strive again to reach your goal - with confidence, honesty and positivity. Many of us don't even remember when we stopped to follow the new year resolutions made. And this is not the case of the year 2023 alone, we have many years to fall back upon with similar experiences. Life throws many chances at us. Only we have to be more decisive, dedicated and disciplined to achieve our goals. Motivation starts our journey towards the desired goal, but discipline is the fuel that keeps our journey going. "New year resolution + year-full disciplined action" will surely lead to success.

Amita Kedar Sukhthankar, parent of Samarth Sukhthankar, V A, PTVEMS



NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS

Every year I used to make big, unrealistic resolutions like losing my weight, starting a new hobby, etc. Last year I tried making a smaller resolution of being happy everyday. Many people thought that it's not even a resolution, what's in that. But if you retrospect on your life then you'll realise that we measure our happiness with only our big achievements and forget to be happy from within. Staying happy each day even when you don't feel like things are going in your favour, is itself a big achievement. I tried my level best to be happy and I think somewhat I was able to complete my resolution by



being happy each day.

Hope to continue with having such a smaller resolution this year too.

- Meghana Barve, School counsellor and an ex-student of PTVEMS

The new year marks a fresh chapter in life, filled with unwritten possibilities. Many of us set resolutions—personal promises for self-improvement or new experiences. They are like whispers to yourself. Choosing resolutions is exciting. However, keeping resolutions can be often tricky. Despite challenges, the resolution journey is like an adventure. Life can get busy, and resolutions may slip from focus. Resolutions are forgiving—forgetting or finding them tough is okay. With effort, each day is a chance to make wishes come true.

-Lucas Kinny, IV B, PTVEMS

शाळांचा वार्षिकोत्सव जल्लोषात

पार्ले टिळक विद्यालय मराठी माध्यम, परांजपे विद्यालय प्राथमिक विभाग आणि माध्यमिक विभागाचा वार्षिकोत्सव मोठ्या दिमाखात साजरा झाला.

२२ डिसेंबर २०२३ रोजी पार्ले टिळक विद्यालय मराठी माध्यमाचा वार्षिकोत्सव पार पडला. या कार्यक्रमाला प्रमुख पाहुणे म्हणून विद्यालयाचे माजी विद्यार्थी व मुंबईतील नामांकित बालरोग तज्ज्ञ डॉ. शशिकांत वैद्य यांनी उपस्थित राहून कार्यक्रमाची शोभा वाढवली. विद्यार्थ्यांच्या विविधांगी कौशल्यांना व कलागुणांना वाव देणारा हा उत्सव म्हणजे मनोरंजनासोबत सामाजिक बांधिलकीचा संदेश देणाऱ्या कार्यक्रमाची मेजवानीच जणू भारताची सांस्कृतिक विविधता, विविधतेतून एकता, सर्वधर्मसमभाव, महाराष्ट्राची अस्मिता यांचे दर्शन घडवणारे कार्यक्रम यावेळी सादर झाले. विद्यालयाच्या एनसीसी पथकाने साकारलेला शिवराज्याभिषेक सोहळ्याने उपस्थितांच्या डोळ्याचे पारणे फिटले.

तर त्याच दिवशी परांजपे विद्यालय शाळेच्या पटांगणात शाळेच्या प्राथमिक आणि माध्यमिक विभागाचा वार्षिकोत्सव संपन्न झाला. शाळेच्या माजी विद्यार्थ्यांनी व

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परांजपे विद्यालय प्राथमिक शाळा

यांनी कार्यक्रमाचे अध्यक्षपद भूषवले. तसेच पार्ले टिळक विद्यालय असोसिएशनचे सदस्य श्री. प्रमोद लेले यांनी या कार्यक्रमाला उपस्थित राहून विद्यार्थ्यांना आणि शिक्षकांना प्रोत्साहन दिले. त्यावेळी प्राथमिक विभागातून इयत्ता पहिली ते चौथीच्या विद्यार्थ्यांनी अनुक्रमे आदिवासी नृत्य (आम्ही ठाकर ठाकर), कोळी नृत्य (कशी झोकात चालली कोळ्याची पोर), मैत्री या विषयाला अनुरूप गाण्यावरील नृत्य (ही दोस्ती तुटायची नाय), मंगळगौरीचे खेळ दाखवणारे नृत्य (जय देवी मंगळगौरी) असे विविध नृत्याविष्कार सादर केले.

विद्यालयातील माध्यमिकच्या विद्यार्थ्यांनी लेझीम प्रात्यक्षिकांच्या सादरीकरणाने प्रमुख



परांजपे विद्यालय माध्यमिक विद्यालय

अतिथींचे स्वागत केले. प्रमुख अतिथींचे व मान्यवरांचे पारंपरिक पद्धतीने औक्षण करण्यात आले, त्यानंतर दीपप्रज्वलनाने कार्यक्रमाची



पार्ले टिळक विद्यालय मराठी माध्यम

सुरुवात करण्यात आली. सरस्वती वंदनेने सांस्कृतिक कार्यक्रमास प्रारंभ झाला. प्राथमिक विभागाने सादर केलेल्या नृत्यानंतर प्रमुख

अतिथींच्या हस्ते वर्षभरातील यशस्वी विद्यार्थ्यांना बक्षीस देऊन गौरविण्यात आले. शाळेच्या मुख्याध्यापकांनी वार्षिक अहवालातून वर्षभरात शाळेत राबवण्यात येणाऱ्या कार्यक्रमांची ओळख व विद्यार्थ्यांनी संपन्न केलेल्या यशाची यशोगाथा प्रास्ताविकेतील उपस्थितांसमोर सादर केली. विद्यार्थ्यांना उद्देशून अतिथींनी मार्गदर्शनपर भाषण केले. त्यानंतर प्रमुख अतिथींच्या हस्ते यशस्वी विद्यार्थ्यांना बक्षीस देऊन गौरविण्यात आले. मध्यंतरानंतर माध्यमिक विभागातील विद्यार्थ्यांनी बहारदार असे सांस्कृतिक कार्यक्रम सादर केले. राष्ट्रीय गीताने कार्यक्रमाची सांगता करण्यात आली.

Embracing the Joy of Gifting

On December 9, PTV (ICSE) organised the "Joy of Gifting" activity in which the students and staff thoughtfully selected gifts tailored to the needs and interests of underprivileged children and then sent the same to Shamlatai Bidkar Ashramshala Ware, Dindori, with the help of Rajeshree Foundation - Sharing is Caring, a charitable organisation. The main objective of this act was to foster a sense of community among the students and instil a lifelong understanding of the joy that comes from selfless acts of generosity.



Ms. Sanorita Rodrigues (Asst. Teacher at PTVA's English Medium School, Andheri) participated as a subject expert in the residential workshops organised by the State Council of Educational Research and Training (SCERT) in October and December 2023 in Pune. She worked as a team member on this prestigious project of the state government to develop English Graded - Reading Material and the Periodical Assessment Tests.



परांजपे विद्यालय माध्यमिक शाळेचे आंतरवर्गीय सामने मोठ्या जल्लोषात पार पडले. इयत्ता पाचवी ते दहावीतील सर्वच विद्यार्थी मोठ्या उत्साहाने या सामन्यात सहभागी झाले होते. सकाळी शालेय प्रार्थनेनंतर सर्व संघातील स्पर्धक विद्यार्थ्यांना बॅडच्या तालावर मैदानात पाचारण करण्यात आले. त्यानंतर शाळेचे मुख्याध्यापक श्री. हाक्के यांच्या हस्ते श्री

हनुमंतांच्या तसबरीला पुष्पहार व श्रीफळ अर्पण करण्यात आले. त्यानंतर पर्यवेक्षिका सौ लाड यांनी सर्व स्पर्धक खेळाडूंना प्रतिज्ञा सांगितली. आंतरवर्गीय सामन्याच्या निमित्ताने विविध खेळांसाठी प्रमाणबद्ध क्रीडांगणाचे आलेखन करण्यात आले होते. लंगडी, खो-खो, कबड्डी, व्हॉलीबॉल श्रो बॉल असे वेगवेगळे सामने भरवण्यात आले होते. संघाच्या संघ प्रमुखांनी नाणेफेक

जिंकून योग्य तो निर्णय स्वीकारला व प्रत्यक्ष सामान्यांना सुरुवात झाली. जिंकलेल्या संघांचे ध्वनिक्षेपकावरून विशेष कौतुक केले जात होते. शाळेतील इतर विद्यार्थी प्रेक्षक म्हणून सर्व सामन्यातील खेळाडूंचा जोश वाढवत होते. शेवटी विजयी संघाचे मुख्याध्यापकांनी विशेष कौतुक केले व त्यानंतर राष्ट्रीयताने आंतरवर्गीय सामान्यांची सांगता करण्यात आली.

पार्ले टिळक विद्यालयाच्या बालनाट्याची बाजी



रविकिरण मंडळ आयोजित बालनाट्य स्पर्धा आणि उत्कर्ष मंदिर शाळा आयोजित बाल एकांकिका स्पर्धेत पार्ले टिळक विद्यालयाने सादर केलेल्या बालनाट्याने स्पर्धेत प्रथम आणि द्वितीय क्रमांकासह भरघोस बक्षिसे पटकावली आहेत.

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नाईक हिला तृतीय पारितोषिक आणि अभिनेत्याला उत्तेजनार्थ पारितोषिक देण्यात आले.

त्याचप्रमाणे २१ डिसेंबर रोजी उत्कर्ष मंदिर शाळा आयोजित बाल एकांकिका स्पर्धेत पार्ले टिळक विद्यालयाने सादर केलेल्या बालनाट्यास सर्वोत्कृष्ट एकांकिका विभागातून द्वितीय पारितोषिक, सर्वोत्कृष्ट संगीत, सर्वोत्कृष्ट दिग्दर्शन तसेच सर्वोत्कृष्ट नेपथ्य या तिन्ही विभागातून द्वितीय पारितोषिक मिळाले. सर्वोत्कृष्ट अभिनेत्री म्हणून शमिका नाईक हिला तृतीय पारितोषिक, सर्वोत्कृष्ट अभिनेता म्हणून साहिल गावडे याला उत्तेजनार्थ आणि उल्लेखनीय अभिनय म्हणून ओम सुतार याला पारितोषिक देऊन सन्मानित करण्यात आले.

परांजपे विद्यालयाच्या कबड्डी संघाने पटकावले सुवर्ण पदक

५ डिसेंबर २०२३ रोजी SFA चॅम्पियनशिप आंतरशाळेय कबड्डी स्पर्धा कलिना विद्यापीठात भरवण्यात आली होती. या स्पर्धेत परांजपे विद्यालय माध्यमिक शाळेच्या १४ वर्षाखालील मुलांच्या गटाला विजेते पद मिळाले असून विद्यार्थ्यांना मेडल्स व प्रमाणपत्र, शाळेला ट्रॉफी देऊन गौरविण्यात आले. मार्गदर्शक शिक्षक श्री. पुरव व हरीश फणसे यावेळी उपस्थित होते.



आंतरशाळेय व जिल्हास्तरावर तिहेरी यशाचा मानकरी ठरलेला पार्ले टिळक विद्यालय मराठी माध्यमाचा सार्थक योगेश केरकर याने आपल्या यशाचा आलेख उंचावत आंतरशाळेय विभागीय कॅरम स्पर्धेत १७ वर्षाखालील वयोगटात मुंबई उपनगर विभागातून तिसरा क्रमांक पटकावला आहे. पुढे राज्यस्तरीय स्पर्धेसाठी त्याची निवड झाली आहे. पोईसर जिमखाना येथे झालेल्या कॅरम स्पर्धेत सार्थकने तिसरा तर विद्यालयाचाच तृप्तात कांबळी याने चौथा क्रमांक पटकावला आहे.



दिल्ली येथे झालेल्या राष्ट्रीय जिम्नॅस्टिक स्पर्धेत १४ वर्षे वयोगटातून महाराष्ट्र संघाचा प्रथम क्रमांक आला. तर पार्ले टिळक विद्यालयाच्या मराठी माध्यमाचा विद्यार्थी प्रसाद सालप हा स्वतंत्रपणे चौथ्या क्रमांकावर निवडून आला. राष्ट्रीय स्तरावर प्रसादने मिळवलेले हे दुसरे यश असून फेब्रुवारीमध्ये कलकत्ता येथे झालेल्या स्पर्धेत त्याने दुसरा क्रमांक पटकावला होता. तर नुकत्याच डेरवण, रत्नागिरी येथे झालेल्या महाराष्ट्र अमेचर जिम्नॅस्टिक्स असोसिएशनच्या स्पर्धेत १४ वर्षे वयोगटात तो राज्यस्तरावर खेळला.

जिल्हास्तरीय विज्ञान प्रदर्शनात निसर्ग मंडळाला प्रथम क्रमांक

चिल्ड्रन वेलफेअर हायस्कूल वर्सोवा येथे झालेल्या पश्चिम जिल्हा स्तरावरील विज्ञान प्रदर्शनात पार्ले टिळक विद्यालय मराठी माध्यम माध्यमिक शाळेच्या निसर्ग मंडळाला पहिला क्रमांक मिळाला.

या प्रदर्शनात शाळेतील मानसी हुंबे, अथर्व धासरे, गार्गी पाटील, अक्षरा पाटील हे विद्यार्थी तर मार्गदर्शक शिक्षिका म्हणून श्वेता संख्ये, आरती संख्ये, गेष्णा चन्हाटकर, दिशा सावंत आदी शिक्षिका उपस्थित होत्या. तसेच याप्रसंगी जिल्हास्तरावरील वक्तृत्व स्पर्धेत शाळेच्या गार्गी पाटील हिने तिसरा क्रमांक मिळवला.



Diwali and Children's Day celebrations *spread happiness among students*



On November 8, PTV (ICSE) celebrated Diwali and Children's Day through a colourful Mass Assembly. The Primary School's celebrations commenced with a special assembly, creatively elucidating the significance of Diwali's various days. Students, adorned with props, enacted scenes symbolising the victory of good over evil. They also presented a melodious Diwali-themed song and a thought-provoking skit emphasising an 'Eco-Friendly Diwali.' Later, Children's Day festivities began with equal zeal. Mrs Rachana Sharma shared its significance and recited a poignant Hindi poem. Mr. Denver Nimma presented a delightful mashup song, spreading cheer among the beloved students. The Secondary School teachers also performed on the occasion of Children's Day. The combined assembly of Diwali and Children's Day promoted unity, cultural diversity and the spirit of togetherness. Principal, Dr (Mrs) Arnava Bhagat, enlightened everyone about the essence of Diwali and Children's Day. The day continued with engaging classroom games organised by teachers, culminating in traditional Diwali snacks that left the students feeling cherished and jubilant throughout the celebration.

Further, the students of PTVEMS Primary Section



celebrated Diwali in an eco-friendly way on November 3. They decorated beautiful earthen clay diyas, made paper cup lanterns, beautiful rangolis, and garlands. Every classroom was decked up with colourful articles and decorations made during the celebrations. The intention behind celebrating Diwali festival in an eco-safe manner was to help students understand how to strike a balance between enjoying a festival and taking care of nature. Each student was given a healthy दिवाळी फराळ hamper to make them aware about the nutritional benefits of these food items. The school display boards were decorated with drawings and decorations by the school's Art teacher Mrs Shilpa Jadhav. The school also planned an eventful Children's Day on November 22. Ms Aishoumya Radhakrishnan (Class Teacher of I B) discussed the importance of the Day. It was followed by PTA members putting together a rollicking dance performance. The teachers sang a medley of all the famous children's songs. The students, who came dressed in colourful attires, enjoyed the performances. The celebrations concluded with the game 'Bombing the city' conducted by the PTA members. Chocolates were distributed to all the students in their respective classrooms.

PTV (ICSE) honoured with 'Best Performer' in 'Influencer' category in Swachhata Monitor 2023



Project Let's Change with Swachhata Monitor 2023 was launched by the Hon. Minister of School Education Shri. Deepak Kesarkar. PTV (ICSE) is the only ICSE School from Maharashtra to be honoured as the 'Best Performer' in the category 'INFLUENCER' for actively promoting this campaign initiated by the Government of Maharashtra in the month of October 2023. Appreciation letters were received from Shri. Ramesh Bais, Hon. Governor of Maharashtra, Shri. R. N Ambulgekar, Chief Fire Officer, and Shri Dikshit Gedam, Deputy Commissioner of Police Zone-VIII, Mumbai. Students from grades 3 to 8, aspired to create thousands of Swachhata Monitors to eliminate these menaces. Students

actively engaged in the initiative, showcasing their involvement through Instagram posts (ptvicse_school).

The campaign-related video of Nityashree Bhat (II) received over 90,000 views, alongside numerous students who actively promoted the campaign initiated by the Government of Maharashtra. Nityashree was felicitated by Shri. Kesarkar at Yashwantrao Chavan Centre, Nariman Point on October 31. She also received letters of appreciation from the Governor of Maharashtra, Collector and District Magistrate, Mumbai Suburban District, Deputy Commissioner of Police and Traffic, and Chief Fire Officer Mumbai Fire Brigade, among others.

Library Legends and Spoon Puppets



The school library of PTV (ICSE) buzzed with excitement as students of Grade 4 gathered for a story writing activity in the Library on October 27. Young authors brainstormed, exchanged ideas, and edited their stories, drawing inspiration from the countless books surrounding them.

A month later, grade 5 students crafted spoon puppets during a library session. Using wooden spoons and assorted decorative materials, they fashioned puppets representing

their beloved book characters. Students exhibited their creativity by crafting intricate puppets and shared reasons behind their character choice with classmates.



"Sports Day" to remember for PTV (ICSE) and PTVEMS



PTVA schools celebrated their Annual Sports Day in the last calendar quarter of 2023.

PTV (ICSE) organised their Annual Sports Day on October 22. The day was marked by a splendid opening ceremony with a majestic march-past by students from various houses. Ms Neha Sapte, Shiv Chhatrapati Award Winner in Rifle Shooting, was the Chief Guest, who added prestige to the occasion with an inspiring inaugural address. The President of PTVA, Shri. Anil Ganu, motivated the students

with his august presence. Students showcased their athletic abilities in track and field events, including sprint races, long jump, shuttle race, obstacle race, and relay races. The inter-house competitions saw spirited performances in games like tug of war. Cultural performances, including yoga, mass drill and gymnastics and the gala opening ceremony enthralled the audience. The day concluded with a prize distribution ceremony, recognising outstanding talent and sportsmanship.

Further, on December 9 and 10, PTVEMS (Secondary) conducted their Annual Sports Meet. This event was a grand success, thanks to the combined efforts of the school's Headmistress, Deputy Headmistress, Supervisor, teachers, the non-teaching staff and the enthusiastic students. The school's PT teachers Mr Jitendra Patil and Mr Paresh Ipte put in a lot of effort to ensure a grand display. The meet culminated with students being felicitated with medals and certificates for on and off field events.

PTVEMS' Boys U17 win runner-up position in DSO cricket tournament

Boys U17 cricket team of PTVEMS (Secondary) bagged the runner-up position in the District Sports Office (DSO) tournament.

Team: Aditya Mulye (Captain, X B), Yashas Ganiga (X C), Raza Mirza (X D), Ameya Bhosale (X B), Pritish Chatwani (X A), Om Chavan (X B), Sachir Poojari (X B), Sparsh Rane (X B), Rohan Ghatule (X B), Atharva Narkar (IX B), Chinmay Ambekar (IX B), Ameya Ghadigaonkar (IX B), Hardik Nagvekar (VIII A) and Vansh Muguttrao (VIII B).



Besides, Vedant Gurav and Raza Mirza of PTVEMS (Secondary) were selected to represent Mumbai U16 in Vijay Merchant

Trophy. They played against Andhra Pradesh (December 1-3) and Vidarbha (December 6-8) in Guwahati.

PTV (ICSE) students uncover the TREASURES OF INDIA



At the 'Bharat ko Jano Inter School Quiz Competition' organised by Bharat Vikas Parishad on October 28, the students of PTV (ICSE) won the first position in both the junior and senior categories. Evaansh Apte and Arya Sohoni from grade 6 represented the Junior Category while Sharva Bhavne and Arya Thosar represented the Senior Category.

A Journey to Silvassa's Tranquil Charms



The students of grades 6 to 8 of PTV (ICSE) visited Silvassa for an educational trip from November 19 to 21. The visits to the Lion Safari, Nakshatra Garden, Swami Narayan Temple, Deer Park, City Museum and Butterfly Park enriched their understanding and fostered a sense of appreciation for the diverse heritage of India.



Veda Naik



Raghav Chitnis



Devashree Bane

Veda Naik (I) of PTV (ICSE) bagged bronze medals in 34m Back Stroke and 68m Individual Medley in the

Girls U7 category at the Viva Swimming Competition hosted by Vibgyor Group of Schools in Goregaon on December 1.

Raghav Chitnis (I) also from PTV (ICSE) won gold medals in Floor Exercise, Balancing Beam, and All-Round (performance) in the Girls U8 category at the Viva Gymnastics Competition on December 3. Also, Devashree Bane (IV) of PTV's EMS, Andheri secured a gold medal in Balancing Beam and a silver medal for an All-Round performance at the VIVA - VIBGYOR inter-school Gymnastics Competition held on December 23.

Showcasing his artistic abilities, Vihaan Kulkarni (II) of PTV (ICSE) emerged triumphant, securing the esteemed first prize among 60 participants from various schools in the "Tiny Picasso" (Bal Kalla) competition organised by the Lokmanya Seva Sangh in Vile Parle. He was honoured with a Certificate of Achievement and a Cash Prize.



Durvish, Aarya and Malhar swim their way to glory



Durvish Devrukhkar



Aarya Paste



Malhar Gitaye

In the 76th Open Swimming Gala 2023 which was held on December 9 at the Cricket Club of India, Durvish Devrukhkar of PTVEMS (Secondary) won gold medals in the 50m Butterfly stroke (setting a new meet record) and 50m Breast Stroke, and silver medals in 50m Freestyle and 100m Individual Medley. He was declared the Individual Champion Winner for showcasing his impressive performance across multiple events. Besides, Aarya Paste, also from PTVEMS (Secondary) won silver medals in 50m Freestyle and 50m Butterfly in the Girls U11 category in the same

competition.

Additionally, Malhar Gitaye (II) of PTV (ICSE) showcased an impressive performance by winning a gold medal in the 25m Free Style, silver medals in 25m Back Stroke and 25m Butterfly Stroke, and a bronze medal in the 25m Breast Stroke in the same competition in the Boys U7 category. Furthermore, he contributed to the team's success by earning bronze medals in 4 x 25m Free Style Relay and 4 x 25m Medley Relay. He also received Individual Championships, a testament to his exceptional swimming prowess and dedication.

Get "Skate" Go

Yash Phadnis (III) of PTV (ICSE) secured two gold medals at the Roller Athletics District Skating Championship 2023 at YMCA, Borivali, organised by the Roller Athletics Federation (India) and recognised by School Games Federation of India. Yash also earned third place (bronze medal) in the RGOI District Championship 2023-24 Skating Competition hosted by the Rural Games Organisation of India, affiliated with the World Rural Games Organisation and recognised by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, India. His stellar performances paved the way for his selection in the state-level skating competition, where he competed fervently in the Boys U10 category across long and short race formats in recreational inline racing.

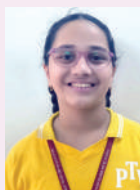


Aria "ACE"s Speech & Drama Contest



The ACE Trophy for Excellence in Speech and Drama, hosted by The Academy for Creative Expression (ACE), witnessed stiff competition among 30 schools and 1500 participants in its 5th Annual Inter-School Competition. From this competitive pool, only 26 participants across all categories advanced to the final round held on December 2. Remarkably, Aria Karandikar, a Grade 5 student from PTV ICSE, clinched the 2nd runner-up position in the Intermediate Category (Grades 4-6).

At the 27th All India Open Mathematics Scholarship Examination 2022-23, Aryaa Joshi (VI) from PTV (ICSE)



showcased her exceptional mathematical prowess and secured a merit among the top performers.

PTVA schools celebrate their Annual Days in style

PTVEMS (Secondary) celebrated its Annual Day based on the theme: Maharashtra - The Land of Culture, Tradition, and Heritage. Renowned stage, TV, and film actor, Shri. Pradeep Welankar graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. Shri. Vinay Jog, Vice-President of PTVA, and Dr. Ajit Dandekar, Member of the Board of Directors were the Guests of Honour. The guests felicitated the students for their outstanding accomplishments. The excitement was at its peak when Premchand was declared as the Best House. To further elevate the excitement, the students put together a captivating cultural programme that showcased the rich culture, traditions, and heritage of Maharashtra.

The school's primary section chose 'Eco Fiesta' as the theme for its Annual day on December 21. The programme commenced with the Swaagat Geet followed by the welcome speech. Mr. Aniket Bhatkhande (Economist) was the Chief Guest. The academic achievers of the year 2022-23 were felicitated by Mr. Bhatkhande and other dignitaries



PTVA's EMS, Andheri

on the stage. The students performed Ganpati dance, dances based on different festivals, and a skit on 'Eco-friendly Diwali'.

PTV (ICSE) Secondary School commemorated its 16th annual day on December 17. The event commenced with a solemn invocation to Lord Ganesha, seeking His blessings for a successful and harmonious beginning. The atmosphere was set aglow by a spirited welcome song. The outstanding achievements of the students were acknowledged. It was followed by the students presenting an English play,

fusion dance, Marathi skit, yoga and gymnastics displays, theme-based dance (highlighting India's progress), and a Hindi drama.

Two days later, on December 19,



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the school's primary section held its Annual Day, marking the first time this section organised such an event independently. The event commenced with a Vandana dance. Chief Guest Mrs. Manju Mehta addressed parents, emphasising their significant role in their ward's development. Outstanding students were felicitated by Mrs. Mehta and PTVA's Honourable President, Shri. Anil Ganu. Some of the key highlights of the programme were the vibrant 'Footsteps of Joy' dance, English play



PTV ICSE (Secondary)

'Dusk to Dawn', 'Yogarambh', Marathi skit 'Shyamchi Aai', Hindi skit 'Itihaas ki or', 'Jai Ho India' dance performance, and the final act, 'Resilience'. The 'PTV Band and Choir' captivated the audience with

woven around the theme 'UTSAV' on December 21. The Annual Day was presided over by renowned singer and visualiser Mrs. Archana Gore as the Chief Guest and PTVA Director Shri. Pramod Lele. During the prize distribution ceremony, along with outstanding student achievers, parents were also felicitated for their fabulous display of craftsmanship in the paper lantern-making competition. The students put together a beautiful cultural programme that was well-complimented by their props and costumes. The programme concluded with a drama 'Kilbil Missing' by Manshakti Kendra.



PTVEMS (Primary)

an engaging medley of English songs.

Further, PTVA's EMS, Andheri celebrated its seventh Annual Day



PTVEMS (Secondary)

Christmas cheer all around...

Christmas marks the celebration of the birth anniversary of Jesus Christ. It is one of the most enjoyed festivals worldwide and is celebrated by everyone, no matter what religion they follow.

PTVA's EMS, Andheri, too celebrated this much-awaited festival with elan. The classrooms were decked up with Christmas craft articles prepared by the students under the guidance of their teachers. The special assembly began in the well-decorated school hall with prayers and the lighting of lamps by the Principal Mrs. Mrinalini Mhetre and teachers. Sanorita Rodrigues, teacher at PTVA's EMS, Andheri, gave a speech on the occasion. The Christmas Tableau and a foot-tapping Christmas Polka dance were presented by the students. Students dressed up as Santa Claus and Santa Girl. The programme continued with the Christmas classic 'Feliz Navidad' followed by exchanging Christmas and New Year greetings. The celebration came to an end with Christmas cakes distributed to the students.

Further, the Primary Section of PTV (ICSE) joyously celebrated Christmas. The school was beautifully decorated by teachers, students, and parents. The day began with classroom activities, games, and dancing, followed by a Mass Assembly. Later, students gathered for snacks. An English poem titled 'A Christmas Story', and a skit, 'Star of Bethlehem', emphasising the significance of stars in Christmas traditions were presented by the students. The PTV Band and Choir uplifted spirits with melodious carols. Grade 1 students were dressed as Santa



Claus. The Secondary Section also conducted a Christmas Mass Assembly on December 22. The students filled the atmosphere with the harmonious sound of Christmas Carols and graceful dance greeting 'Merry Christmas'. The PTA of the school had put up a wonderful programme for each class where students were seen buzzing with music, games and dances.

At PTVEMS (Primary), the festival was celebrated on December 19. The school was beautifully decorated with glittery stars and lights. Craft competition was held for the students of standards I to IV, who made Christmassy articles. The winners were rewarded. Mrs. Saira Pereira class teacher of II D shared the significance of this festival. The teachers sang melodious carols. The main attraction was the 'crib' and the prettily decorated Christmas tree. A student of standard IV dressed as Santa Claus visited each class making the students happy. The students sang Christmas songs and grooved to the same. They were served delectable snacks and given a piggybank as a return gift to inculcate the habit of saving.

9 students of PTVA's EMS, Andheri qualify for the state-level Arm-sports competition

The Mumbai Suburban District Arm-sports Competition was held on November 23. Nine students of PTVA's English medium School, Andheri qualified for the STATE LEVEL with their power-packed performances backed by the guidance of their coaches Shri. Arvind Chavan and Shri. Akshay Dighe.

Kartik Vaviya and Soham Gavde won gold medals in the Arm Fighting U12 Boys and U10 Boys categories, respectively.

Archit Dhuri bagged gold medals in Arm Pushing and Arm Pulling in the U10 Boys category, while Shreya Mohite secured a gold medal in the Arm Pushing in U10 Girls category.

Further, Mayank Desai and Pratham Sawant clinched silver medals in the Arm Fighting U12 Boys category.

Additionally, Parth Misal earned a bronze medal in the Arm Pushing U12 Boys category, while Rudra Patil and Jay Kate pocketed bronze



medals in the Arm Fighting U12 Boys category. PTVA's EMS, Andheri won the BEST PARTICIPATING SCHOOL trophy in the Mumbai Suburban District Arm-sports Competition.

- Mr. Akshay Dighe,
PE Teacher, PTVA's EMS, Andheri

Exploring the world of coding

Coding apps and designing creative AI is what I enjoy the most. PTV (ICSE) has given me this platform to discover the creator in me through coding lessons. Coding has taught me that if I work hard enough, nothing can stop me and anything is possible. This learning gave me confidence to explore the world of coding. Gizmo Geeks Competition 2023 organised by Lilavatibai Podar School, Khar gave

me a chance to bring this knowledge of coding to practicality. I created the 'Health N Fitness' App in the competition on November 4. The cherry on the cake was when I won the second prize as the 'App Innovator'. From ideation to execution, it was truly rewarding to see my hard work and innovative ideas getting recognised.

Samayak Karandikar (VIII A),
PTV (ICSE)

