

# Neerja Modi School

Our newsletter celebrates the key achievements of our students and highlights the various activities going on around the school



## Newsletter for the Month of January



# *My Favourite Bird*

A show and tell activity was conducted with the Nursery class where each children brought his or her favourite bird and shared a few lines about it in front of the class.



# *Introduction to Wild Animals*

An introduction to 'Wild Animals' was done with the Nursery children this month. Each child chose which animal was their favourite, and came dressed as that animal. They learned and performed a rhyme related to the subject.



A show and tell activity was conducted for Sr. Kg on Republic Day. Children brought facts related to the national symbols; leaders etc. and spoke a few lines regarding their fact of choice. They also brought props and items to enhance their presentation.



## *Visit to Doll Museum*

Following the completion of their Countries Around the World module, the children of Sr. Kg class visited the Doll Museum. This fun activity was used as a way to get the children to explore multicultural costumes and accessories, as worn by the various dolls representing different countries from around the globe.



A special assembly on Makar Sankranti, Lohri and Pongal was presented by Grade 1A on Wednesday, January 18, 2017. It was a treat to see our tiny tots dressed in colourful Indian costumes. The children explained the importance of the festivals through folk dances of different states and a skit. The assembly concluded with the song - "The more we get together" delivering the message of "Unity in Diversity".



An amazing Special Assembly was presented by Grade1B on the theme: Republic day on Friday, January 27, 2017. The assembly began with students giving information about the National festival. A beautiful parade of the three armed forces was the main attraction of the assembly and this was followed by presentations by various states giving it a true feel of India Gate. It concluded with everybody singing the National Anthem in unison.



The club activity of Grade II was held on the 21st of January, 2017. The theme of this club was "Winters". Students were able to explore winters through different activities, experiments, and information. Not only did they contribute by writing poems on the topic and making rain, but they also learned about places with extreme climate variations, recounted their own winter vacations, and enjoyed delicacies from fresh fruits and creative projects from wool. The children participated enthusiastically and enjoyed themselves a lot.



## Grade 2

# Special Assembly on Republic Day

Grade 2 A Special Assembly was on republic day. Children spoke about importance of republic day which was followed by dance performance.



## Grade II

# Visit to Albert Hall Museum

An educational trip to Albert Hall Museum was organized for Grade II students as a part of their ongoing Unit 'Rajasthan'. The children were amused to see the rich heritage and enjoyed observing, recognizing, and learning more about the weaponry, pottery and artifacts housed in the museum.



Grade  
I & II

# Aao Kahani Sunaye Saptah

Aao Kahani Sunaye Saptah was observed for Grade I & II from Wednesday, January 11th to Friday the 13th wherein students narrated their favourite stories in front of one another. This platform encourages our young ones to develop confidence, public speaking skills and narration skills. Through their performances, our students proved that they shouldn't be underestimated due to their age as their expressions, voice modulation, story length and clarity surpassed our expectations.



Experiment week was organized from Monday, January 23, 2017 to Friday, January 27, 2017 for Grade I & II. Little scientists performed various experiments on density, air pressure, capillary action etc. Children were very excited and came well prepared to perform their experiments, along with providing proper explanations for each. It was an engaging and informative experience for the students.

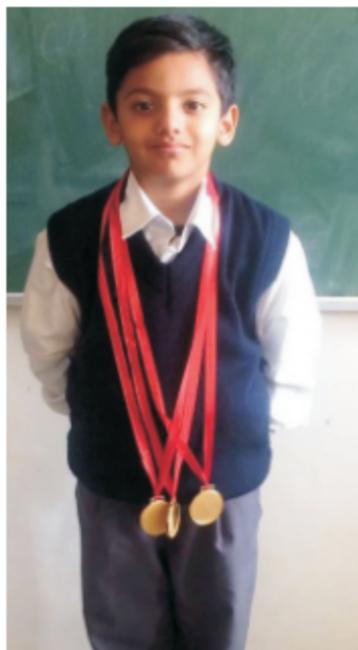




Grade  
II

# Rajasthan State Roller Sports Championship

We are proud to share that Vihaan of Grade II won three gold medals in 300 mts., 500 mts., and 1000 mts. in Rajasthan State Roller Sports Championship organized in Jaipur from January 6, 2017 to January 8, 2017. Due to his great success, he is now eligible for Nationals.



Grade  
III & IV

# The Young Achiever's competition

The Young Achiever's competition was organised in NMS for Grade III & IV students on Wednesday, January 18, 2017. Across different categories, such as Vocal music, Instrumental music, Dance, Recitation, Story Telling, Skating, Drawing and Colouring, students were able to demonstrate their skills in friendly competition. These activities enable our students to increase their personal and ethical understanding of their own world, and the world around them, which is imperative for the health of the society of the coming generation.



# Hindi Vaad Vivad Pratiyogita

Education is a continuous process of all round development of a child. To achieve this goal, the school organizes varied activities in such a way that the students not only enjoy but also learn a great deal from them. Debates help in developing essential skill of public speaking and also go a long way to boost confidence of children to face audience confidently. With the same perspective in view, an Inter- House Debate Competition was held at Neerja Modi School premises on 17th January, 2017. Students of Grades VI to X participated in the event.

The Topics were: • Education system needs to be reformed, demonetization and cash less India.

All participants put in tremendous effort and exhibited great oratorical skills. The audience thoroughly enjoyed the event. At the end, the judges highly appreciated and encouraged all the participants.

- Women Empowerment
- Addiction of mobile in today's generation.





## *Literary Laureates at NMS*

British Archaeologist and academic – Barry Cunliffe was a delight to hear and one can well believe when he says that archaeology is what he is passionate about and would always be. He spoke about how his interest in his field was sparked. He made the session exciting & interesting for all with his little anecdotes.

Another enlightening moment for NMS students was to hear Mr. Keki. N. Daruwalla – an eminent poet and writer. He shared his experiences of his early life and his tenure as an IPS officer. He spoke about his poetic journey using ideas and blending them with metaphors and rhyme. He made the session even more interesting by reading an excerpt from one of his short stories “ Garima and a buried fragrance”.

Mr. Saeed Naqvi – a quintessential reporter and a foreign correspondent for over four decades visited the school. From emphasizing on the lack of reading and verbal interaction among today's generation , to the balance of terror that broke in 1991 his session was highly informative and certainly ignited young minds leaving the audience mesmerized and enthused.

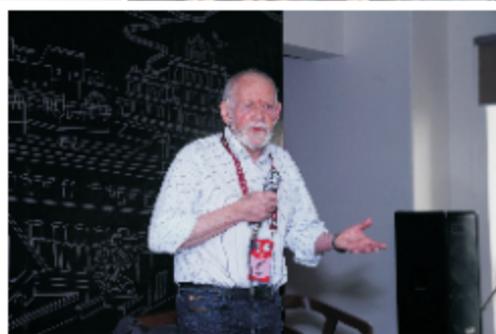
It was indeed an honour to have them all at school.

Writer, Archaeologist and Historian – Rima Hooja and Sir John Key honored us with their presence at the school. In a reading session, Sir Key read excerpts from his book “Midnight's Descendants”.

This was followed by a question answer session where the young minds raised questions about Indo Pak relations, India's role in South East Asia and many more.

Madeleine O'dea - renowned Journalist, editor and author Visited NMS. She set the pace and tone of the session with an invitation to the children to ask whatever they wanted to know. From her stint in the PM's office to the "Trump Effect" on the Chinese economy; from the restrictive media in China to the Chinese response to her Journalism and work - They asked it all !! And Madeleine rose up to each and every question with a detailed and informed answer. The Session was very engrossing and interesting. Madeleine also presented her latest book " The Phoenix Years" to the school head boy for the school Library.





# *Graduation Day Ceremony*

Graduation Day: a day to reminisce, to celebrate; a stepping stone to the future, to the world awaiting them with open arms.

The Graduating class of 2017 exuded a certain jubilation in their colourful attire and the sashes they were awarded, yet a tinge of sadness lingered over the celebrations, as the thought that soon they will be leaving the sanctuary of their world: the school that has protected them, taught them, and groomed them into the confident young men and women into which they have grown.

The momentous ceremony began with lighting of the auspicious lamp by the Principal, Ma'am Indu Dubey, proceeded by her inspiring speech in which she warmly congratulated all graduands on their achievements.

The moving, nostalgic valedictory speeches were delivered by Sarthak Jain of class XII A, Harshita Singh Naruka of class XII G, Kartikey Sharma of XII IBDP and Aishwarya Bagri and Shubhangi Gokhroo of class XII E, who took a trip down memory lane while thanking the school for cultivating in them values that they will carry with them throughout their lives.

Then the students walked up to the stage one by one, the cynosure of all eyes, to receive the Graduation Certificate at the hands of the Principal as a PPT presentation displayed their achievements the same being read aloud by Ma'am Sarita Nathawat.

The ceremony culminated with the students marching from the field to the school building, waving their sashes, accompanied with the applause by the parents and teachers present.



Grade  
XII

## Kusha Maharshi

We are very proud to share with you that Kusha Maharshi of Grade XII has secured 2nd runner's up prize in IOS and Android App Development competition organised by Jaipur Development Authority. Her app "GRRED" will be integrated within the Smart City Program initiated by JDA.



The farewell ceremony for the class of 2016-17 was organized for the 31st of January, 2016. The momentous event themed 'Destined Destination', commenced by welcoming the students of 12th grade. A captivating cultural program was created and performed by the students of Grade XI, and it began with a euphonious musical presentation. This was followed by various energetic dance performances by the students. A number of Grade XII students were also awarded titles based on their strengths and personalities. The Principal along with the heads of the Student Council of 2016-17 cut the cake. Everybody enjoyed the DJ and dinner. The event culminated with the distribution of mementos to the graduating class.



