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Varanasi

HALF YEARLY MAGAZINE

APRIL TO SEPTEMBER

MINDORA

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ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE | COMPETITIONS & ACHIEVEMENTS | CREATIVE EXPRESSIONS | SPORTS & FITNESS | CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES | EVENTS & CELEBRATIONS

SESSION 2026-27


Work.
Thrive.
Imagine.
Create.
Connect.
Inspire.
Persevere. Focus.
Innovate.
Participate.
Grow.
TEAM CENTRIC
Work. Network. Thrive.
Create. Connect.
Persevere. Focus.
HARMONIOUS
Thrive.
For Life.
Grow.
Work. Network.
RESILIENT
Create. Connect.
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EMPATHET
Grow.
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The journey to **Thrive** begins now.

STAY TUNED.



Think. Learn.
Thrive.

Three Decades **of** Excellence in Education

1,00,000+
Students & Alumni Across the Globe

100+
Toddler House Pre-schools

140+
K12 Schools

100+
Healthcare Academies

20+
States & UTs

13+years of GD Goenka University

20+
La Petite Montessori Pre-schools

30+
Years in Tourism

GD Goenka Group
our national footprint

Rooted in values.
Spanning across India.
Inspiring futures.



20+ States
Across India

100+ Institutions
Nurturing Young Minds

One Vision
Countless Futures

20+ States and Growing

A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Education is not merely the acquisition of knowledge; it is the foundation upon which character, creativity, and confidence are built. At G.D. Goenka School, Varanasi, we believe in nurturing young minds to become responsible global citizens who are prepared to meet the challenges of an ever-evolving world.

As we present this edition of Mindora, our half-yearly magazine, I take immense pride in the remarkable journey our students, teachers, and staff have undertaken over the past months. This publication is a reflection of their dedication, talent, and relentless pursuit of excellence. Each page showcases not just achievements, but the spirit of innovation, collaboration, and learning that defines our institution.

In today's rapidly changing world, education must go beyond textbooks. It must inspire curiosity, encourage critical thinking, and instill values that guide students throughout their lives. At GD Goenka, we are committed to creating an environment where students are empowered to explore their passions, express their ideas, and grow into confident individuals.

Our focus remains on holistic development—balancing academics with co-curricular and extracurricular activities. Whether it is in classrooms, on sports fields, or through creative platforms, our students continue to excel and make us proud. Their achievements are a testament to the unwavering support of our dedicated faculty and the trust of our parents.

As we move forward, we remain committed to innovation in education, embracing new methodologies and technologies to enhance learning experiences. Together, we aim to shape a future where our students not only succeed academically but also contribute meaningfully to society.

I extend my heartfelt congratulations to everyone who contributed to this edition of Mindora. May this magazine continue to inspire, inform, and celebrate the vibrant life of our school.

"Education is the most powerful tool to shape the future—and at G.D. Goenka, we strive to make that future bright and meaningful."

MR. DINESH GUPTA
Chairman,
G.D. Goenka School, Varanasi



GOENKA

Bienvenue

Celebrating 6 Years of Excellence

It gives me immense pride to celebrate six successful years of G.D. Goenka School, Varanasi. This remarkable journey stands as a testament to our unwavering commitment to quality education, holistic development, and the nurturing of confident, future-ready individuals

Over the years, the school has steadily grown in strength and accomplishments across academics, sports, and co-curricular activities. Each milestone we have achieved reflects the collective dedication of our students, the tireless efforts of our teachers, and the constant support and trust of our parents.



At G.D. Goenka School, we strive to create a dynamic learning environment that fosters innovation, instills strong values, and encourages excellence in every sphere. Our vision is not only to educate but to empower young minds to think critically, act responsibly, and lead with confidence.

As we look ahead, we remain committed to reaching greater heights and shaping responsible global citizens. Together, we continue to build a vibrant and inspiring school community that promotes curiosity, discipline, leadership, and a lifelong love for learning among all our students, every single day.

MR. RAHUL GUPTA

Managing Director

G.D. Goenka School, Varanasi

Inspiring Growth and Excellence

It gives me immense pleasure to present the half-yearly edition of MINDORA for the session 2026–27. At G.D. Goenka School, Varanasi, we believe that education goes beyond textbooks—it is about nurturing creativity, confidence, and character in every learner.

The past months from April to September have been filled with vibrant activities, academic excellence, and co-curricular achievements. Our students have displayed remarkable enthusiasm and talent in various events, reflecting the spirit of holistic development that our institution stands for. Each accomplishment, big or small, is a step towards building responsible and capable individuals for the future.

I extend my heartfelt appreciation to our dedicated faculty members, supportive parents, and hardworking students who continuously strive for excellence. Your collective efforts make our school a dynamic and inspiring place of learning.
MINDORA is not just a magazine; it is a reflection of our journey, creativity, and achievements. I hope this edition inspires every reader and motivates our students to keep exploring, learning, and growing.

Wishing everyone continued success and a bright future ahead.



MRS. SHREYA GUPTA
Additional Managing Director
G.D. Goenka School, Varanasi

Inspiring Excellence: A Principal's Message

It gives me immense pleasure to share my message for the half-yearly edition of MINDORA for the session 2026–27. As the new Principal of G.D. Goenka School, Varanasi, I feel honored to be a part of this vibrant learning community that is committed to excellence in education.

The journey from April to September has been inspiring, marked by enthusiasm, creativity, and remarkable achievements of our students. This magazine beautifully captures their talents, hard work, and the spirit of participation across academics, sports, and cultural activities. It is truly a reflection of the holistic development we strive to nurture in every child.

I appreciate the dedicated efforts of our teachers, whose guidance and commitment play a vital role in shaping young minds. I also thank our parents for their continuous support and trust in the school.
At G.D. Goenka School, we aim to create confident, responsible, and compassionate individuals ready to face future challenges. I hope MINDORA continues to inspire our students to dream big and achieve greater heights.

Wishing everyone success and a bright future ahead.

DR. DAISY SHARMA
Principal
G.D. Goenka School, Varanasi



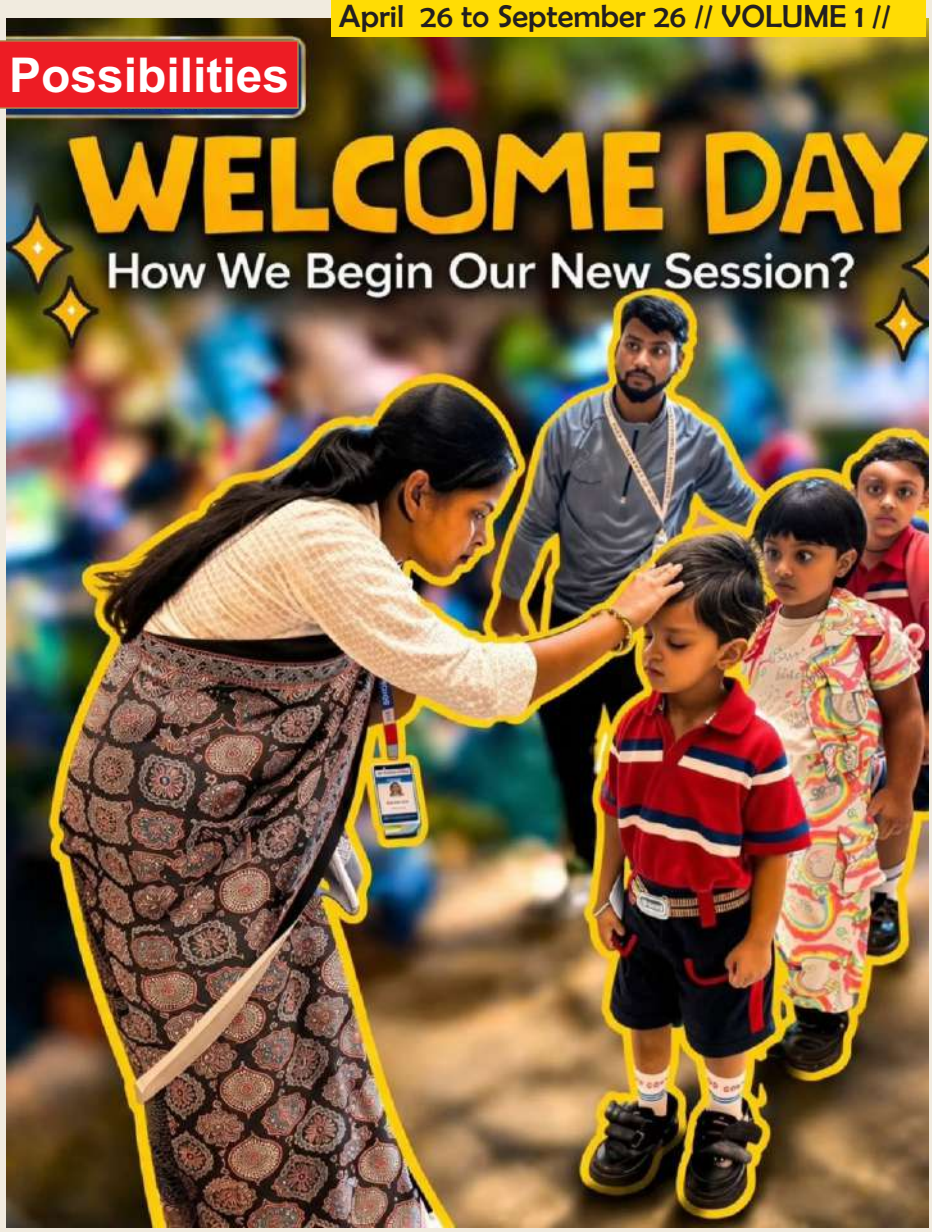
New Beginnings. Endless Possibilities

The red carpet is rolled out and the gates are open as we warmly welcome our students back to G.D. Goenka School, Varanasi for the Academic Session 2026–27. The campus once again comes alive with laughter, energy, and enthusiasm, marking the beginning of another exciting journey of learning and growth.

Our corridors are vibrant, classrooms are buzzing with curiosity, and the spirit of togetherness is truly inspiring. From the cheerful arrival of our students in the iconic yellow buses to the energetic morning drills, the first day sets the tone for a year filled with promise and possibilities.

At G.D. Goenka, education is not limited to books; it is about inspiring young minds, nurturing talents, and building confidence. We are committed to providing a dynamic environment where every child feels motivated to explore, achieve, and excel. As we step into this new academic year, let us embrace challenges, celebrate achievements, and create beautiful memories together. Here's to a year of academic excellence, personal growth, and endless opportunities.

Wishing all our students a joyful and successful year ahead!



Meritorious Students of G D Goenka School, Varanasi



We are delighted to announce the outstanding achievements of our **Grade 10** students in the **AISSE**, who have brought great pride and laurels to G.D. Goenka School, Varanasi. Their hard work, dedication, and perseverance have truly paid off, setting a benchmark of excellence for others to follow.

We proudly congratulate our top achievers: **Ayush Kumar Singh** for securing an impressive **96.4%**, **Sudarshini Kamal** with an excellent **95.2%**, and **Pratham Pritesh Upadhyay** for achieving a commendable **91.2%**. Their success reflects not only their individual efforts but also the constant guidance of our dedicated teachers and the unwavering support of their parents.

We are also extremely proud to share that our students have achieved a **100%** result, a testament to the strong academic foundation and commitment to excellence at our institution.

Heartiest congratulations to all our students! Wishing them continued success in their future endeavors. Proud Goenkans

Inauguration of AI & Robotics Lab – A Step Towards the Future





Prof. S. K. Sharma
Former Head, Department of Mechanical Engineering, IIT (BHU), Varanasi

Professor (Mrs.) Chandana Haldar
Former Director, Institute of Science & Former Head, Department of Zoology, Banaras Hindu University

We proudly inaugurated our AI & Robotics Lab in collaboration with **Cognibot**
A space where ideas will turn into innovations and our students will get hands-on experience with the technology shaping tomorrow.

- We were honoured to have such inspiring Guests of Honour with us:

Professor (Mrs.) Chandana Haldar – Former Director, Institute of Science & Former Head, Department of Zoology, Banaras Hindu University

- **Prof. S. K. Sharma –** Former Head, Department of Mechanical Engineering, IIT (BHU), Varanasi

Their presence made the day even more meaningful. The way they interacted with our students, especially during the podcast session, was truly inspiring. Their words encouraged our young learners to stay curious, think ahead, and confidently step into the world of technology.

It wasn't just an inauguration—it felt like the beginning of something big. A step towards preparing our students for the future, where learning goes beyond books and into real-world innovation.
Here's to new ideas, new skills, and a future full of possibilities.





Cyber Awareness is the Need of the Hour!



We successfully conducted an insightful Cyber Crime Awareness Workshop to educate students about the growing risks of online frauds and cyber threats in today's digital world.
We were honored to have **Mrs. Nirupma Yadav**, Sub Inspector, Rohaniya Thana, Varanasi as our esteemed guest speaker.
She shared valuable guidance and practical safety tips to help students stay alert, responsible, and protected from cyber crimes and online scams.

Key Takeaways from the Session:

- ✔ Never share OTPs or passwords
- ✔ Stay aware of fake links & scam calls
- ✔ Use strong passwords for online accounts
- ✔ Think before sharing personal information online
- ✔ Report suspicious activities immediately

The session inspired students to become more aware, vigilant, and cyber-smart citizens.

Celebrating Excellence & Hard Work

Our school proudly hosted the Felicitation Ceremony for the Rank Holders of Session 2025–26 for Grades III to IX and XI, celebrating the remarkable academic accomplishments of our students. The event was a vibrant tribute to dedication, perseverance, and excellence, where each achiever was applauded for their consistent hard work and commitment to learning. It was truly inspiring to witness young minds being recognized for their determination and passion, setting a benchmark for others to follow.

The ceremony not only honored the rank holders but also served as a powerful reminder that success is the result of discipline, focus, and continuous effort. It motivated every student present to aim higher, dream bigger, and strive for excellence in every step of their academic journey. The proud smiles of the achievers and the encouragement from teachers and parents created an atmosphere filled with positivity and aspiration.



Celebrating Excellence: Olympiad Achievements

We are immensely proud to celebrate the outstanding achievements of our students in the Indian Talent Olympiad (ITO) 2025–26 and the Unified International Mathematics Olympiad (UIMO). Their exceptional performance reflects academic excellence, creativity, and unwavering dedication.

In the Indian Talent Olympiad, Porvi Singh secured the prestigious State Topper Rank and earned a cash award for her remarkable achievement. Many other students also attained impressive state ranks and class topper positions, showcasing the power of hard work and perseverance.

In the UIMO, our students achieved extraordinary national success: Hardik Upadhyay secured National Rank 1, Sanskar Mishra Rank 3, Pankhuri Kumari Rank 4, Shourya Singh Rank 5, and Prakhar Shukla Rank 6.

These accomplishments highlight the spirit of excellence nurtured at GD Goenka School. We congratulate all participants and achievers for making us proud and inspiring others to dream bigger and aim higher.



A Mother in Uniform: Strength, Service & Inspiration



This Mother's Day, GD Goenka School, Varanasi proudly presents a special episode of our Podcast Series featuring Mrs. Nirupuma Yadav, Sub-Inspector, Rohaniya Thana, Varanasi — a courageous officer, a dedicated public servant, and above all, a wonderful mother.

in this heartfelt conversation, we got to know about her inspiring journey, the struggles she faced, the responsibilities behind the uniform, and how she beautifully balances both her duties towards society and her role as a mother. This episode is a true celebration of every mother who leads with strength, sacrifices with love, and inspires with courage. Mothers are not just the heart of a family, they are the strongest pillars of society.

Tiny Steps, Big Love: A Heartwarming Mother's Day Celebration





A day filled with love, laughter, tiny footsteps, and unforgettable memories…
our campus turned into a beautiful celebration of motherhood as our adorable toddlers dedicated special performances to their mothers with all their love and innocence. From cheerful games and exciting activities to emotional moments and endless smiles, every moment reflected the magical bond shared between a mother and her child.
The happiness on every mother's face made the celebration even more special.

Proud Moment for the GD Goenka Family

Heartiest congratulations to Mrs. Shreya Gupta (Additional Director, G.D. Goenka School, Varanasi) on being honoured with the prestigious title of "Aspiring Women of Varanasi – 2026"

She was felicitated by Shri Aseem Arun, Hon'ble Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Social Welfare, Scheduled Castes & Scheduled Tribes Welfare, Government of Uttar Pradesh.

This remarkable achievement reflects her dedication, visionary leadership, passion, and unwavering commitment towards excellence in education and empowerment. We are immensely proud to celebrate this inspiring milestone and wish her continued success in all her future endeavours.



A Moment of Pride & Excellence

We proudly congratulates our brilliant Grade XII achievers for their exceptional performance in the CBSE Board Examination 2025-26!

Mankala Harish – 94.6%
Namirah Ali – 93.4%
Mohammad Anas Siddiqui – 92.0%

Their hard work, determination, and dedication have brought immense pride to the entire Goenkan family. This remarkable achievement reflects their perseverance, the unwavering support of their parents, and the commitment of our educators.

Heartiest congratulations and best wishes for an even more successful journey ahead!



SUMMER CAMP 2026 — Where Adventure Meets Endless Fun!



This summer wasn't just about vacations… it was about creating unforgettable memories, conquering fears, discovering innovation, and celebrating every splash of joy! From the thrill of Zip Lining to balancing across the Burma Bridge, climbing the Commando Net, rolling into laughter with Body Zorb, and aiming high in Archery — our young adventurers embraced every challenge with confidence and excitement!
Adding a futuristic spark to the camp, students also explored the fascinating world of AI & Robotics, learning skills that connect creativity with tomorrow's technology.
And when the summer heat turned up… the Rain Dance & Water Splash Party brought the coolest moments of pure happiness, music, laughter, and refreshing fun! A perfect blend of adventure, learning, teamwork, energy, and summer vibes — Summer Camp 2026 truly became a season to remember forever!






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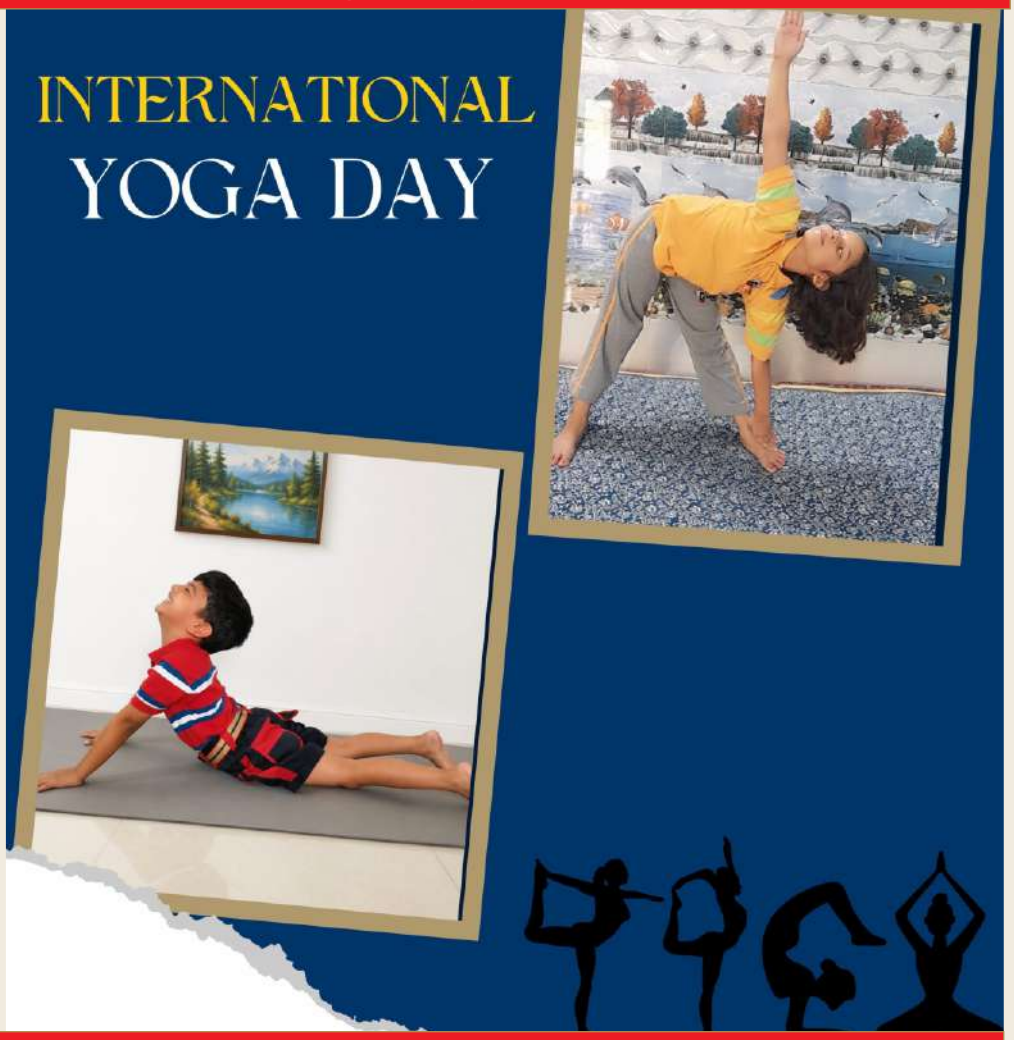


International Yoga Day

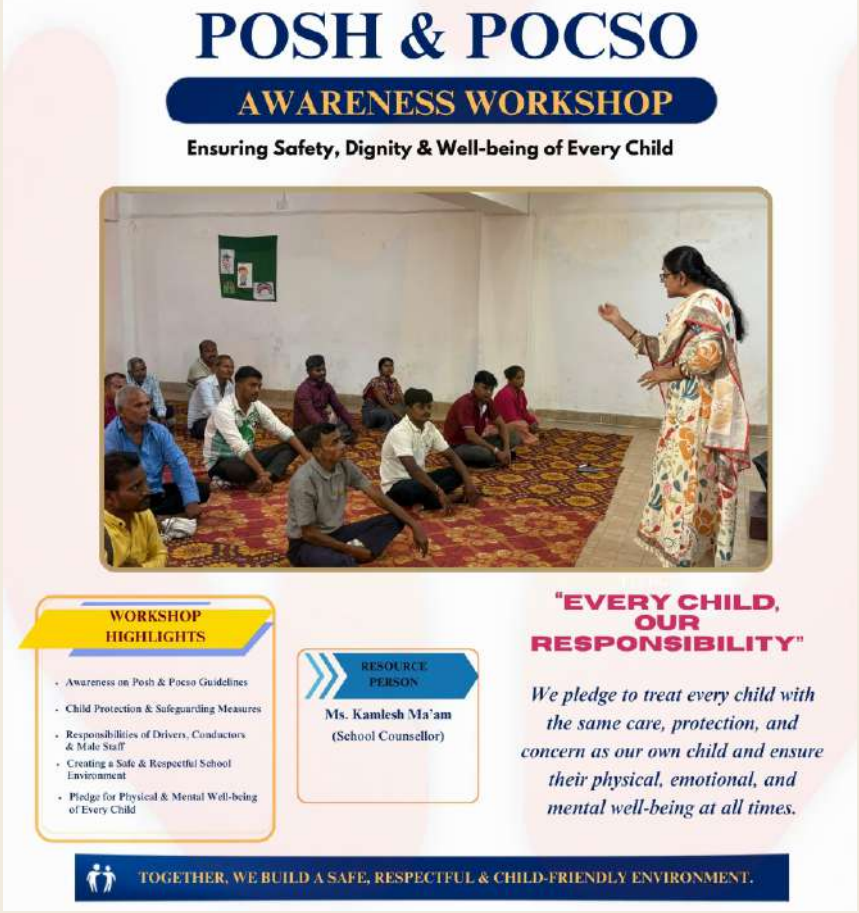
"Yoga is not just an exercise; it is a way of life that nurtures harmony between the mind, body, and soul."

Students actively participated from home by performing yoga asanas and sharing their photos and videos virtually. Their involvement reflected a strong commitment to a healthy lifestyle and the values of discipline, mindfulness, and self-care.Yoga, an ancient gift of India, promotes physical fitness, mental clarity, and inner peace. In today's fast-paced world, it plays a vital role in reducing stress and improving overall well-being.

The 2026 theme, "Yoga for One Earth, One Health," emphasizes the connection between personal health and the environment.
The school encourages holistic development beyond academics and appreciates the efforts of all students and parents."When you own your breath, nobody can steal your peace."



POSH & POCSO Awareness Workshop Conducted



With the aim of ensuring a safe and nurturing environment for every child, We organized a POSH & POCSO Awareness Workshop for drivers, conductors, support staff, and other male staff members. The session was conducted by the School Counsellor, Mrs. Kamlesh, who sensitized participants about child protection, appropriate behaviour, and their vital role in safeguarding students.
Through interactive discussions and practical examples, the workshop highlighted the importance of vigilance, empathy, and accountability in maintaining a child-friendly environment. A key highlight was the pledge taken by all participants, reaffirming their commitment to protect and support every child with care and responsibility, just like their own.
The initiative reinforced the school's belief that child safety is a shared responsibility. Such efforts continue to strengthen awareness and ensure a secure, respectful, and supportive atmosphere where every child can learn and grow confidently.
Every Child. Our Responsibility.

Leadership begins with participation

Our Student Council Election was conducted with great enthusiasm, offering students a meaningful platform to experience the democratic process firsthand. From campaigning with confidence to casting their votes responsibly, every student actively contributed to this engaging exercise.

The election not only encouraged participation but also instilled essential values such as leadership, integrity, responsibility, and fairness. Students learned the importance of making informed choices, respecting diverse opinions, and supporting their peers in a healthy and positive manner.

This initiative served as a stepping stone in shaping young minds into aware and responsible citizens. It reinforced the belief that leadership is not just about winning a position, but about serving others with dedication and honesty.

Through such experiences, we continue to nurture confident, compassionate, and responsible leaders who are ready to make a difference in the future.













Leadership begins when every student chooses to make their voice count.

Investiture Ceremony – A New Chapter of Leadership Begins

We proudly organized its Investiture Ceremony 2026, marking the beginning of a new journey of leadership, responsibility, and service. The ceremony reflected the true democratic spirit of the school as newly elected Student Council members were formally entrusted with their roles. Selected through a fair and transparent election process, these young leaders have earned the trust and confidence of their peers.As they received their badges, they also accepted the responsibility to lead with integrity, humility, and dedication. The event highlighted that leadership is not defined by position, but by the ability to inspire, support, and serve others. The newly elected council, including **Head Boy Shourya Prakash Shukla** and **Head Girl Palak Kumari,** along with other office bearers, pledged to uphold the values and traditions of the school.The ceremony reinforced the importance of teamwork, discipline, and commitment. It was a proud moment for the school community as these students step forward to lead by example and contribute positively.





Investiture Ceremony

Student Council

2026-27



PALAK KUMARI
(HEAD GIRL)



SHOURYA PRAKASH
SHUKLA (HEAD BOY)



SONAKSHI SINGH KARTIKEY SHARMA

SPORTS HEAD



ANUSHKA MEHRA SANSKAR SINGH

CULTURAL HEAD



ANSHIKA SINGH ANSH KUMAR

DISCIPLINE INCHARGE

HOUSE CAPTAIN



AYUSHMAN SINGH
TERESA HOUSE



NAITIK SINGH
TAGORE HOUSE



NAITIK PATEL
RADHAKRISHNAN HOUSE



HARSHIT RAI
VIVEKANANDA HOUSE

HOUSE VICE CAPTAIN



KASTURI
TERESA HOUSE



VIBHUTI TANWAR
TAGORE HOUSE



KASHVI SINGH
RADHAKRISHNAN HOUSE



REYA SINGH
VIVEKANANDA HOUSE

True leadership cannot be mandated. It must be earned.

★ Congratulations and ★

Best wishes from the Management, Principal & Staff

One Chariot. Three Divine Siblings. Endless Values.

With the resounding chants of “Jai Jagannath!”, our students came together to celebrate the sacred Rath Yatra, experiencing the true essence of faith, unity, teamwork, and devotion. As they reverently pulled the chariot of Lord Jagannath, Lord Balabhadra, and Devi Subhadra, they embraced the timeless values of love, harmony, mutual respect, and collective responsibility.

This meaningful celebration offered our young learners an opportunity to connect with India’s rich cultural heritage while nurturing the spirit of Bharatiya Sanskar.

May Lord Jagannath bless everyone with peace, prosperity, good health, and boundless happiness.





Glorious Triumph at Lucknow State Yoga Championship

Every medal is a reflection of dedication, discipline, and countless hours of practice, and our young yogis have truly lived up to this spirit. we takes immense pride in the outstanding performance of its students at the Lucknow State Yoga Championship, where they secured multiple medals and brought great honour to the school.

Their remarkable achievement did not stop there—five of our talented students have been selected for the prestigious National Yoga Championship to be held in Karnataka. This accomplishment is a testament to their hard work, perseverance, and unwavering commitment to excellence.

These young champions have not only showcased their skills but have also inspired the entire school community with their determination and passion.



EXCELLENCIA 3.0 | Inauguration Day | Inter-House Competition

The journey of excellence begins! wei proudly inaugurated EXCELLENCIA 3.0, marking the commencement of the Inter-House Competition 2026–27.

We were privileged to welcome our esteemed Chief Guest, Dr. Shams Tabrez "Shampu", Honorary Secretary, District Olympic Association, Varanasi, whose inspiring address encouraged our young Goenkans to embrace sportsmanship, teamwork, and excellence.

With the ceremonial inauguration, march past, oath-taking, and the enthusiastic participation of our students, the stage is now set for an exciting season of healthy competition and unforgettable achievements.



Indian Talent Olympiad (ITO)



Every masterpiece begins with a single stroke, and our young Goenkans have painted a story of excellence!

We are proud to celebrate the outstanding achievements of our students in the International Drawing Olympiad (IDO) 2025–26, conducted by Indian Talent Olympiad (ITO), one of India's leading Olympiad organizations that encourage creativity and recognizes young talent.

Porvi Singh secured State Topper Scholarship, a Cash Prize, and a Scholarship Winner Certificate.

Ayansh Singh secured State Rank 13 and was honoured with the Excellence Medal Award.

Principal–Parent Interaction | Grades Nursery–II

We organized a meaningful Principal–Parent Interaction Session for Grades Nursery to II, creating a platform for open communication and stronger collaboration between parents and the school. The session aimed to discuss each child's progress, address concerns, and work together to support their overall development.

It was heartwarming to witness our young Goenkans confidently showcasing their talents through enthusiastic performances and active participation. Their confidence, joy, and eagerness to learn reflected the nurturing environment provided both at school and at home.

The interaction reinforced the importance of a strong parent–school partnership in shaping a child's early years. Constructive discussions, shared insights, and mutual understanding helped build trust and alignment in guiding the children's growth.

Together, we continue to nurture, inspire, and empower every child, ensuring they develop into confident, happy, and capable individuals ready to thrive in every aspect of life.



A meaningful interaction led by our Principal.



WHEN SCHOOL TURNED INTO A SUPERHERO EXPERIENCE!





Our Grade 5 to 12 Goenkans had an unforgettable Movie Day filled with superhero action, laughter, friendship and loads of fun as they watched the much-awaited Spider-Man: Brand New Day.

From the first scene to the final cheer, our students were completely immersed in Peter Parker's brand-new chapter. And what's a movie experience without some lip-smacking burgers to make it even better?

A perfect No-Bag Day, where textbooks took a break and memories took centre stage!

Because sometimes, the best school days are the ones filled with good friends, great movies and unforgettable moments.

5th District Yogasana Sports Championship



We proudly celebrates a remarkable achievement at the 5th District Yogasana Sports Championship 2026, held at Sunbeam Dalimss School, Chobeypur. Our talented team displayed exceptional skill and dedication, emerging as the Overall Champions and bringing great pride to the school.

The 11 young Yogasana athletes demonstrated outstanding strength, flexibility, balance, and determination throughout the competition. Their consistent efforts and disciplined training resulted in an impressive medal tally of 14 Gold, 4 Silver, and 2 Bronze medals.

This achievement reflects not only the students' hard work but also the guidance and encouragement provided by their coaches and mentors. The victory stands as a testament to the spirit of perseverance and excellence nurtured at G.D. Goenka School.

Sonakshi Singh — Gold in Traditional, Artistic Pair & Rhythmic Pair
Vanisha Singh — Gold in Artistic & Rhythmic Pair | Silver in Traditional
Shubhangi Pandey — Bronze in Artistic Single
Amrita Kumari — 5th Position
Pragya — Gold in Artistic Single | Bronze in Traditional
Prisha Chaurasia — Gold in Rhythmic Pair
Adrika Singh — Gold in Rhythmic Pair | Silver in Traditional
Shashank Chaubey — Gold in Artistic Pair | Silver in Traditional
Akarsh Chaubey — Gold in Traditional & Artistic Pair
Vivan Singh — Gold in Traditional & Artistic Pair
Akshransh Soni — Gold in Artistic Pair | Silver in Traditional

Adding to the glory, our champions have qualified for the State-Level Yogasana Championship, scheduled for 2nd–3rd September 2026 at Saharanpur.

The achievers were felicitated by our respected Principal Ma'am during the school assembly in recognition of their outstanding accomplishment.

A Salute to 80 Years of Independence

Our campus didn't just celebrate a date — it relived a legacy. The sea of tricolour the flag hoisted by our Chairman Sir, and the national anthem echoing through the air made every heart swell with pride.

Our students brought history alive as young freedom fighters, filling the atmosphere with pure desh bhakti energy through soulful songs, energetic dance, and powerful performances. For a few hours, patriotism wasn't just a word — it was everywhere.

A powerful reminder of the sacrifices made for our freedom, and the responsibility we carry to uphold it.

Jai Hind!







A Rakhi That Tied More Than Wrists... It Tied Hearts!

This Raksha Bandhan, our girls stepped beyond the classroom and celebrated the festival through the sweetest gesture—sharing smiles, tying Rakhis and creating meaningful connections at Walk with Me – Autism Centre, near Sigra.

With every Rakhi they tied, a beautiful bond was created—one rooted in kindness, acceptance, empathy and understanding.The visit also gave our students an enriching opportunity to understand autism, appreciate individuality and embrace differences with love and respect. The education extends beyond classrooms, and some of the most valuable lessons are learned through the heart.Tying threads of love. Building bridges of understanding. Creating memories for a lifetime.









GOENKANS SHINE AT YOUTH PARLIAMENT SANKALP 3.0!

YOUNG VOICES. BIG IDEAS. STRONGER TOMORROW.

SANKALP 3.0



Students of G.D. Goenka School, Varanasi, delivered a stellar performance at Youth Parliament 'Sankalp 3.0', hosted by Hermann Gmeiner School (HGS), Chaubeypur. An 11-member student delegation stepped into the shoes of prominent national figures, showcasing sharp political awareness, diplomatic finesse, and rigorous parliamentary decorum through intense policy debates and Zero Hour interventions.

AWARD WINNERS

- **Best Delegate (Rajya Sabha):** Sampurnanand Mishra (Portfolio: Brij Lal)
- **Best Parliamentarian (Lok Sabha):** Vibhuti Tanwar (Portfolio: Narendra Modi)
- **Verbal Mention (Joint Parliamentary Session):** Nirbhay Pandey (Portfolio: Rajnath Singh)
- **Verbal Mention (Parliamentary Standing Committee):** Bhavni (Portfolio: Priyanka Gandhi)
- **Honourable Mention (Parliamentary Standing Committee):** Mahi Singh (Portfolio: Anjana Om Kashyap)

Mentors:- Ms. Deepshikha Singh, Ms. Dimple Singh, Ms. Priyanshi Shukla

Congratulations to the young Goenkans and their guiding mentors for exemplifying leadership, critical thinking, and articulate public discourse on a competitive stage.

GOENKANS STRIKE SILVER: COMMERCE STUDENTS SHINE AT INTER-SCHOOL COMPETITION!



Vanya & Somya strike Silver, standing out among 21 participating schools!

Our Commerce students showcased their talent, creativity, and business acumen at the Inter-School Competition held at Seth M.R. Jaipuria School, Pados Campus!

Business Plan:
Our 4-member team impressed everyone with their innovative approach to business planning, operations, and marketing strategies.

Economics Cartoon:
With sharp wit, creativity, and insightful captions on economic issues, Vanya Chaurasia (Class 12) and Somya Tiwari (Class 11) from the Commerce stream brought home the Silver Medal, competing against 21 participating schools!

Their achievement is a testament to their creativity, confidence, teamwork, and determination.

Heartiest congratulations to our young achievers!

TINY FEET, DIVINE GRACE:
Little Goenkans Celebrate Janmashtami!

KRISHNA JANMASHTAMI Celebration






Celebrating the Spirit of Janmashtami with Our Little Goenkans!
The festive spirit of Shri Krishna Janmashtami came alive as our adorable toddlers celebrated the occasion virtually, dressed in the enchanting avatars of Little Krishna and Radha.
With innocent smiles, beautiful traditional attire, and hearts filled with joy, our little ones added their own magical charm to this auspicious celebration. Their delightful pictures beautifully captured the essence of love, devotion, innocence, and togetherness—making the festival even more special.
Through such celebrations, we nurture our young learners with an appreciation for India's rich cultural heritage and timeless values, while creating precious memories that they will cherish.
We proudly share glimpses of our little Radhas and Krishnas, spreading smiles and festive cheer!
May Lord Krishna bless every child with happiness, wisdom, love, and endless opportunities to shine.

♡- Celebrating the Mentors Who Inspire Us! -♡

Teachers' Day 2026 was a heartfelt celebration of gratitude, respect, and joy.

Beautifully organised by our Student Council, the event honoured teachers for their constant guidance, patience, and dedication. Students added a special charm through lively dances, soulful songs, and engaging skits that reflected the strong bond between teachers and students. Every moment was filled with warmth, smiles, and appreciation, creating memories to cherish.

Beyond the classroom, our teachers inspire us to grow into confident, kind, and responsible individuals. Their impact stays with us far beyond lessons and books.



The celebrations continued with a joyful team lunch at Barbeque Nation, where laughter, conversations, and togetherness made the day even more special. It was a perfect reminder that sometimes the best celebrations are the simplest—sharing good food and happy moments.



To our incredible teachers—thank you for believing in us and guiding us every day.

Happy Teachers' Day!-♡

5th UP State Yogasan Sports Championship 2026

Our young Yogasan champions showcased their remarkable talent, dedication and sporting spirit at the 5th UP State Yogasan Sports Championship 2026.

Our Achievers

* Prisha — **2nd Position**
* Aksharansh Soni — **3rd Position**
* Akarsh Kumar — **3rd Position**
* Pragya — **2nd Position (Free Flow)**
* Pragya — **3rd Position**
* Sonakshi — **3rd Position**

Their determination, discipline and consistent efforts have made the entire Goenka family immensely proud. Heartiest congratulations to our young achievers on this wonderful accomplishment! Keep believing, keep growing and keep reaching for greater heights.





Excellence in Innovation: Our Students Make Us Proud



Our Class XII Science students Prachi Singh, Kanishk Vikram & Vishwajnak, mentored by Krishna Kumar, participated in the Sustainable Innovation event organised by Dainik Jagran iNext on 8 September 2026.

Their innovative project “Breath India”, focused on cleaner air and a healthier future, won the prestigious Best Team Award!
The young innovators were felicitated with medals and certificates, making this achievement even more special.

Breathe India — Innovating today for a cleaner, healthier tomorrow!

Heartiest congratulations to our young achievers and their mentor!

When Generations Connect: The Magic of Grandparents' Day

Where Little Hearts Meet Old Souls..

Some bonds don't need words — just a warm hug, a familiar smile, and a hand that has loved you through the years.

Our campus was full of music, laughter, and love as we celebrated Grandparents' Day with our Pre-Primary to Grade 2 learners, embracing this year's theme — "**Bandhan: A Bond of Love & Legacy.**"

Our little ones took the stage with songs, dances, and a heartfelt skit — simple, joyful moments that meant the world to the grandparents watching with pride.

But the real magic? Watching tiny hands hold hands that carry decades of stories — two generations meeting in one room, hearts connecting beyond age.

Grandparents are our first storytellers, our quiet anchors, the ones who make childhood feel a little more magical. Their love stays with us — a legacy we carry forward, always.

A day of laughter, happy tears, and memories to hold onto forever.

When generations come together, love becomes legacy.

Together Always









SANKALP 3.0: Where Young Minds Shape the Future

We proudly felicitated our students for their remarkable achievements across diverse inter-school competitions.
“Breath India” – Best Team Award at Sustainable Innovation 2026
Our students showcased innovation, teamwork and scientific thinking at an Inter-School Science Exhibition focused on sustainability and solving real-world challenges through science.
SANKALP 3.0 – Our young parliamentarians showcased confidence, awareness and communication skills.
5th UP State Yogasan Sports Championship 2026 – Our students demonstrated discipline, balance and perseverance.
Inter-School Commerce Competition – Our young entrepreneurs displayed business knowledge, creativity, economic understanding and presentation skills.
Felicitated by our Principal, these achievements reflect our students’ dedication, talent and spirit of excellence.
Proud moments. Inspiring journeys. A legacy of excellence.





CBSE’s Kaushal Bodh – Vocational Education Programme

Growing Skills, Nurturing Responsibility!
As part of CBSE’s Kaushal Bodh – Vocational Education Programme, our students of Grades 6–8 stepped outside the classroom and into the garden!
Under the “Work with Life Forms” component, students worked together to create and nurture a School Kitchen Garden on the campus. Through this hands-on activity, they experienced the process of preparing the soil, planting seeds and caring for growing plants.
Our young gardeners planted:
Fenugreek — Trigonella foenum-graecum
Coriander — Coriandrum sativum
Spinach — Spinacia oleracea
Radish — Raphanus sativus
Carrot — Daucus carota
Working in groups, students learned the importance of teamwork, responsibility, observation, patience and environmental care, while gaining practical knowledge of gardening and plant growth. To make the experience even more meaningful, each group took a pledge to care for and nurture their plants, taking ownership of their little patch of green. When children plant a seed, they grow more than a plant—they grow responsibility, patience and a lasting connection with nature.











FROM OUR CLASSROOMS
to the Nation's Finest Campuses!



MANKALA HARISH

on securing admission to the prestigious
Indian Institute of Technology (BHU) Varanasi.

JEE Adv. Rank: 1889



VISHAL KUMAR

on securing admission to the prestigious
Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kottayam in Kerala.

JEE Adv. Rank: 20000 (Cat RANK: 3880)



SARTHAK AGRAWAL

on securing admission to the prestigious
Birla Institute of Technology – Mesra in Ranchi, Jharkhand.

JEE Adv. Rank: 4695

Dreams Lead to Great Destinations

Academic Excellence | Holistic Development | Safe & Supportive Environment | A Brighter Future



★ CONGRATULATIONS ★



SALMAN ANSARI

on securing admission to the prestigious **R G Kar Medical College & Hospital in Kolkata, West Bengal.**

NEET Rank :10811
(Cat RANK :4874)



MOHAMMAD ANAS SIDDIQUI

on securing admission to the prestigious **MNNIT Allahabad.**

JEE Adv. Rank: 21941

They came to us with dreams in their eyes, worked with determination, and today, they are ready to spread their wings and fly higher towards their goals.

We are immensely proud of our Session 2025–26 students who have secured admission to some of India's prestigious institutions, including IIT (BHU) Varanasi, R.G. Kar Medical College & Hospital, Birla Institute of Technology Mesra, MNNIT Allahabad, IIIT Kottayam, and more.

- **Mankala Harish** — IIT (BHU) Varanasi
- **Salman Ansari** — R.G. Kar Medical College & Hospital, Kolkata
- **Sarthak Agrawal** — BIT Mesra, Ranchi
- **Mohammad Anas Siddiqui** — MNNIT Allahabad
- **Vishal Kumar** — IIIT Kottayam

From GD Goenka School, Varanasi *to new horizons,*

their journey is a reminder that **dreams become destinations** when dedication meets opportunity.

As they step into a new chapter, we wish them the courage to dream bigger, the confidence to keep moving forward, and the determination to achieve everything they aspire to.

Once a Goenkan, always a Goenkan.

Fly high, shine bright, and make us proud!



POEMS – G.D. GOENKA, VARANASI

G.D. Goenka sparks the night,
With cool smart boards and neon light!
Where old Banaras meets the new,
G.D. Goenka changes the view!

In high-tech labs, the tech-wizards gleam,
G.D. Goenka builds the dream!
A grand auditorium stands so tall,
Where music and magic fill the hall!

On big sports grounds we jump to the moon,
To a happy, rocking, catchy tune!
Four houses race to take the crown,
The coolest spot in this old town!

Radhakrishnan leads the race with pride,
Teresa House shines side by side,
Vivekanand sparks up the cheer,
And Tagore shouts out loud and clear!

Watch the clever minds ignite,
At G.D. Goenka Varanasi, burning bright!

We aim higher, stronger, brighter every day,
As we think far in life along the way!

Kavvi Srivastava
Grade -V-A

मुस्कान के पीछे की लड़की

वो हर सुबह मुस्कुराकर आती है,
जैसे खुशियों की कोई धुन गुनगुनाती है।
हँसती है, सबको हँसाती है,
पर अपने दिल के बात किसे बताती है?

चेहरे पर उसके उजली-सी मुस्कान,
आँखों में छिपे हैं कितने अरमान।
सब कहते हैं – "कितनी खुश रहती हो",
पर कौन जाने, वो भीतर क्या सहती हो।

किताबों के पन्नों में सपने सजाती है,
हर उम्मीद को चुपचाप निभाती है।
कभी अंकों का दबाव, कभी उम्मीदों का भार,
फिर भी चेहरे पर रहती है मुस्कान हर बार।

वो गिरती है, फिर उठ जाती है,
वो किसी की उम्मीद, किसी का सपना सही।
उसके भी कुछ ख्वाब अधूरे हैं,
उसके भी कुछ अनकहे जज्बात हैं।
हर बार मजबूत होना ज़रूरी नहीं,
हर दर्द को छुपाना भी अच्छा नहीं।
कभी हँस दो, कभी रो आओ,
कभी दिल थामकर खुद को समझाओ।

तो जब अगली बार मुस्कुराते देखो,
ऐसे ही उस पर मत जाओ।
एक पल ठहरकर बस इतना पूछ लेना—
"क्या तुम सच में ठीक हो?"
शायद वो कुछ ना कह पाए,
शायद बस मुस्कुरा दे,
पर उस एक सवाल से
उसका दिल पिघल जाए...

SAMEEKSHA MISHRA
Grade -X-A

A Star Has To Burn Too

Who is it that endures burning?
It's the one who gives out light,
It's the one who stays awake,
To guard the darkest night,

Yet, It is a flame
Which seems so fragile
To be abandoned by it's people,
To be left in disguise.

It lives in a far away land
They claim it's too good to be true.
For some, it is a star,
But a star has to burn too.

Shreya Singh
Grade-XII - A

The Little Clock

Tick, tock, upon the wall,
It never stops or rests at all.
It counts the minutes, fast and slow,
To tell us where it's time to go.

It wakes us up to start the day,
It tells us when it's time to play.
And when the sun begins to set,
It says it's time to sleep and rest.

So listen to its tiny rhyme,
A faithful friend that keeps the time.

Rakshit Asthana
Grade- V-A

POEMS

Dreams • Imagination • Inspiration

A Trip to Space

Up high above the clouds so bright,
The endless dark is filled with light.
The round moon shines, the planets spin,
A giant world to travel in.

We ride a rocket to the stars,
And wave hello to distant Mars.

Rakshit Asthana
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Rakshit Asthana
Grade-V-A

THE CHILD WHO CARRIED THE SKY

There wandered a kid through unfinished days,
With dawn in their pocket and dusk in their gaze.
Tomorrow felt fragile, too careful to hold,
Still, they paused for the wind when the evenings turned gold.
The world knew their smile, and believed that was all.
Only silence had learned how the quiet could fall.

That kid saved moonlight without knowing why,
As though every night left a piece of the sky.
They stopped for wet leaves after one little rain,
Believing small beauties could loosen old pain.
Some hearts bloom softly where no one has been,
And still become gardens the world never sees.

There waited a horse where the long grasses swayed,
As quiet as evenings that never complained.
It never looked hurried, it never looked lost,
It knew nothing of winning, or counting the cost.
The kid watched in silence and thought, now and then
"Maybe peace doesn't run, maybe it simply waits."

The mountains grew older, the child slowly too.
Both carried a weight that nobody knew.
The wind never hurried, the stones never cried,
Yet somehow they understood what the child would hide.
Maybe being strong was simply standing still,
Until the heart remembered how to climb again.

The notebook grew fuller with words left unsaid.
Some stayed in the margins, some circled instead.
The ink held the nights that the pillow had known,
The dreams they still carried when no one could see.
A page never asked why a heartbeat could race,
It simply made room for another day's trace.

And if, years from now, someone speaks of that kid,
They may remember the smile before the silence.
They may remember old books, the moon, the rain.
They may remember a child who noticed little things.
But they'll never know that while everyone believed
the child was only growing older,
the child was quietly learning how to carry the sky.

Prashasti Maurya
Grade-XII-A

The Promise

- Aarna wasn't the kind of girl who spoke much. Every morning she entered school before the first bell, chose the seat near the window and quietly watched the campus wake up. Laughter echoed through the corridors, teachers hurried past with books in their hands, and the old banyan tree stood silently in the playground, as though it had been listening to students' dreams for years.

- One afternoon, while waiting for her bus, she noticed a small glass jar hanging from one of its branches. Beside it was a handwritten note: "Leave a promise for your future self."

- Curious, she borrowed a pen, tore a page from her notebook and wrote, "I promise I'll stop waiting for the perfect day to begin." She folded the paper, dropped it into the jar and walked away, never expecting to think about it again.

- Days became weeks. Homework, festivals, examinations and ordinary routines slowly covered that little promise with the dust of everyday life. The jar became another familiar object she passed without noticing.

- Nearly a year later, while helping the librarian arrange old books, Aarna found a tiny envelope hidden inside a worn novel. It had no name written on it. She opened it carefully.

  Inside was only one sentence:

  "The future doesn't arrive all at once. It is built by the choices we make today."

- She stood still. The words reminded her of the promise she had almost forgotten.

- That evening she walked back to the banyan tree. The glass jar had disappeared. In its place was a small wooden board that simply read,

  "Thank you for believing in tomorrow."

- No one knew who had started the tradition. No one knew who had jar. Yet it had quietly changed something inside her.

- Aarna smiled, opened her notebook and wrote a new promise—not fot for herself.

  I don't need a perfect beginning.
  I only need the courage to begin. ♡

- As she closed the notebook, she realised promises are not magic. They do not change life overnight. They change the person who keeps returning to them, one ordinary day at a time.

- She walked home beneath the evening sky with lighter steps than before. The banyan tree remained behind, silently guarding countless untold promises.

- Perhaps every person leaves something behind in this world. Some leave footprints. Some leave memories. And some leave a promise that quietly becomes the beginning of a better tomorrow.

Akansha Singh
Grade-XII 'A'

Young Strokes

Creativity • Imagination • Expression



Vanshika Singh
Grade - X-A



Vanshika Singh
Grade - X-A



Adrika Singh
Grade - VII-A



Sameeksha Mishra
Grade - X-A



Tiana Singh
Grade - II-A

Echoes of Thought

Thoughts that touch. Words that stay.

PEACE COULDN'T FIND A PLACE

Peace couldn't find a place,
There was war and blood as far as went my gaze.
In the cry of battlefield,
Peace nowhere found a shield.
In the mighty screams,
Peace had lost all its dreams.
Peace could to do nothing but beg,
But no where was it heard in the destruction and wreck.
The war had stopped,
The sore song of screams dropped.
Peace had no place in the world it seemed.
After all, the silence of the dead didn't mean peace,
it had been deemed.

Perplexity

Confused thoughts,
Reluctant minds,
Our paths still we can't find.
Cluelessness is all we know,
Filled with a feeling of trying to escape and run,
Don't know what is correction.

Running behind this fast-paced life,
We all have an addiction for this,
And for this often the most beautiful
things of life we miss.

Home

It rained all day long.
The wind whistled a song.

Little drops of exilir poured
from the pavillion of heaven,
The light from sky by horses
was driven.

The roar of thunder grew louder,
The sky grew prouder.

This scene reminded me of home,
As I sat alone.

The drops of water touched my skin,
The drops carried a message
from my home within.

The clouds flew from my home to
this strange land,
Placing the memories gently in
my hand.

And as I closed my eyes , my
home appeared once again,
My heart's loud pounding came
in thunder ,and my tears in rain.

INDEPENDENCE

Voices were raised,
Lies were set ablaze
The days of determination had arrived
The hopes had now revived
Many had been deprived of rights
For their independence they fought to great heights

A new Era of greatness had begun
They stood and didn't run
Shocking history was created by the brave
Freedom was all they ever did crave

Because of them today we stand,
Under the open sky, hand in hand

Written by:
VIBHUTI TANWAR
CLASS 9-B

Flickering on



There's a lamp
outside my window,
It gives off *little* light

Flickering off and on,
It *struggles* to survive

But whenever they bring
a *ladder*,
About to *end* its life,

It glows the *brightest*
as if to yell,
"I am still alive."

Bushra Umairah
Grade (10th)



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