



# SMC TODAY

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## Good Bye SMC.....

**To make a positive difference** was my motto when I joined SMC Kanpur in July 2004 and today I move out of this temple of learning with great satisfaction and contentment because life here has been an enriching experience. Dear Teachers, coming to know you and to work with you was a privilege and learning for each day. Thank you for being there with your smiling faces, supportive heart and helping hands to make SMC a better place for you and me and for all. May you continue to do the same for SMC. Malavika Tiwari and her team of captains, you have done well in your responsibility for the year 2006-07. Dear students, I appreciate and congratulate you for your response to the discipline of the school. Your response has made a vast difference to your own lives and to the atmosphere of the school. Hold on to this strongly to that SMC emblem is imprinted in your lives, respected and loved by you. Three cheers to you dear students. You have worked hard for the past one year for better results and I am sure you are happy because you believed in the SMC motto "Endeavour Counts" for nothing is impossible for those who believe in this. Dear Parents, you should be proud of your wards; you have made it possible for them to make their dreams a reality with your constant support and care. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.



The management had placed their trust in me in carrying out this great responsibility of guiding SMC for the past three years. I have received so much from you dear Sr. Delphine & dear sisters. I hope I have fulfilled your expectations. Mistakes were experiences on my way to step on and proceed. You were there showing me the right track. Thank you is just a small word for what you have given me.

A final message to the students of class 12. You are moving out to the world. You are given what you need. May you carry with you values that will help you to be strong in your determination, sincere in your life and confident in your attitude. Be beacons of light and channels of blessing to all those around you. My best wishes are with you.

**Take the power to choose what you want to do and do it well,**

**Take the power to control your own life; no one can do it for you,**

**Take the power to make your life worthwhile and happy.**

A special note of gratitude to you, the members of the Editorial Board, who have taken so much trouble to place this issue of "SMC Today" in the hands of the readers.

Wishing all of you dear children, teachers, parents & well wishers God's blessing I say Good Bye.

**Sr. M. Deepa C.J.**

PRINCIPAL



## A NOTE OF THANKS

Dear Sr. Deepa,

We extend our gratitude for giving us the opportunity to be a part of the Editorial Board of the school magazine 'SMC Today' for this academic year 2006-07.

You have been a source of inspiration always guiding and encouraging us to enhance the quality of the magazine. We appreciate the fact that you have been approachable and open to ideas. Your positive attitude and innovative ways have helped us to bring out the literary qualities of the students. Thus, we thank you for every thing.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

**The Editorial Board**

## MESSAGE TO THE STUDENTS

"In each of us, two nations are at war the good and the evil. All our lives the fight goes on between them, and" our own hand lies the power to choose what we want most to be, we are."

Jekyll and Hyde Clut

Character is not something that we are born with but we have to develop it with our varied experiences. God has bestowed upon us the power to make our choices. It is up to us which way we go. The values instilled in us from childhood guide us to take the right path. Often temptations tend to lead us astray, it is then that we must pay heed to the voice of our conscience and listen to the 'mandates of Duty'. So, children, let us become such individuals, "whose conscience is his strong retreat"

Ms N. Bhaumik

Mrs. S. Dey

**(Teachers in the Editorial Board)**

## Chief Editor's Note.....

**"Tears will fill our eyes as we leave these gates  
Stepping out holding the hand of fate.  
Although we may have to say goodbye,  
Your love in our hearts shall never die..."**

With these lines in mind and heavy emotions in my heart and of course with a deep sense of gratitude towards my Alma Mater, I try to remind myself that I will soon be leaving these portals that have become such a significant part of my life during these last twelve years. I really wish I could relive the amazing time spent here.

I would like to thank all the teachers who have taught me till now, especially Ms. Bhaumik and Mrs. Dey, who have been like the pillars of this magazine and my role models through these formative years. I would like to thank our principal Sr. Deepa for giving me this wonderful opportunity to be a part of this magazine. I would also extend my thanks to the editorial board members, without whom my endeavours would not be fruitful.

To my fellow students, I would just like to say -

**"Always sparkle, always shine**

**Keep the Marian flag flying high"**

So keep writing and happy reading!

Sheryl Sadana - XII A



## WELCOME TO SMC KANPUR

“The management welcomes **Sr. M. Evelyn C J** as the new Principal from 9th April, 2007. We are sure that with your vast experiences in the teaching profession and administrative field you will take SMC to greater heights. We pray to the Almighty who has chosen you to bless you abundantly in your mission here in St. Mary's Convent High School, Kanpur



## Adieu Dear SMC

**“Sometimes we watch the days go by, Wishing they would last  
And we can't help but wonder why Time must fly so fast.”**

The fact that the twelve long years spent in the shade of SMC which nurtured and blossomed the ingenuity, creativity and talent in each one of us, to give a sense of accomplishment and fulfillment, personally and socially are soon going to end, fills me with sadness.

When I look back at the academic year 2006-2007, I come across many fond memories. All of them have relevance as they have helped in shaping our thoughts, minds and actions to move towards a better future.

The memories of my school life fill me with gratitude towards the Principal, Sisters, teachers and students whose support and co-operation have given me the wisdom and maturity to think bigger and better.

In this one year as Head girl, I have learned that “You can be the BEST without being the BIGGEST”.

I hope that for all the students of SMC, each day is a journey and that they all will make a firm resolution to write their destiny and strive hard to achieve it. I end by saying

**“Live every second of life,  
For the present 'Today' is 'Yesterday'  
For the coming 'Tomorrow'.”**

Goodbye  
**Malavika Tiwari**  
(Head Girl)





# Farewell

Adorable is the person, who has lived well, laughed often and loved much, who has gained the respect of children, who leaves the world better than they found it. Who has never lacked appreciation for other's qualities, who has never failed to look for the best in others or give the best of themselves.

We all have gathered here to express our heartfelt gratitude to sister Deepa as we bid her farewell with heavy heart. We are here to pray for sister so that God may bless her with a long, happy and healthy life ahead.

Sr. Deepa has been with us for 3 years now. Her presence in St. Mary's Convent Kanpur has been felt by each student because she has been a source of inspiration for everyone. Her endearing ways and her belief in her students have encouraged us to do better in whatever tasks we undertake. She possesses a never ending zeal to do everything in the best possible way.

For a person who has devoted her entire life for the service of mankind, for a person for whom doing good for others is a priority... that person is always blessed by God... that person is our dear Principal Sr. Deepa.

Working selflessly with sincerity and dedication, sister has done her best to improve our school in all spheres... She has taken St. Mary's Convent to greater heights of glory and success and without a doubt we are proud and honoured to tread the path



illuminated by her. Her knowledge has enlightened us with wisdom and has guided us throughout.

Her dynamic personality, motivating attitude and the quality of maintaining a beautiful relation with students and staff has made her tenure so successful.

As it is said, a star never ceases to shine. Similarly, Sr. Deepa will continue to illumine the paths of all others she comes across.

Wishing her great luck in her endeavour we hope that we can always live up to her expectations and grow up into good human beings as always desired by sister.

**A small note for you dear sister -**

**May the sunshine all day long,**

**Everything go right and nothing wrong,**

**May those you love bring love back to you,**

**May all the wishes you make come true.**

**Dipti Dhawan - XI B**



## WE'LL MISS YOU

It is very difficult to say something when you know that a person who is very dear to you will be leaving soon to take up a new post some where else. Some people come into our lives and go quickly. Some come into our lives and move our souls. They awake in us an understanding with their deep-rooted values and wisdom. They stay in our lives for a while, leave foot prints on our hearts and transform us into better beings. Sister Deepa has come into our lives and touched our hearts and souls.

I have always felt that there are four kinds of people in an institution - those who make things happen, those who watch things happen; those who wonder what happened and those who don't know that anything happened. Sister Deepa is the first in the first list; she makes things happen. It is difficult to enumerate all the positive changes that she has brought about in this institution because they are so many. One can experience the presence of her dynamic personality in every aspect of the functioning of the school. Students look up to her as a child would look up to its mother. Teachers have always considered her as a sister of their own family with whom they can share their joys and sorrows. Sister Deepa has always been firm and just yet very loving in her dealings with everybody around her. Teachers know that if ever they need help or

guidance they can go straight to sister, and sister's magic mantra for success has always been a simple four word sentence "You can do it". And if you ever need a helping hand, you will always find one at the end of your arm. Witty yet calm, experienced yet childlike in simplicity, a genius yet a hard worker, persistent yet reasonable, such is the charming and charismatic personality of our dear sister. Sister has always accepted ideas and suggestions of others without ever feeling that her

position has been challenged. This simple, open acceptance of people shows her inherent loving and trusting nature. She is a courageous leader who is always willing to change, to grow and to make a difference.

Sister Deepa - the symbol of light; light that dispels darkness. When I think of sister leaving us, I am reminded of the street lamp lighter whom I used to watch as a child. The lamp lighter goes, torch in hand, from one behind him he leaves a trail of lights burning brightly. This is what a true follower of God does. You can trace course of such a person by the lights that he leaves burning and thousands of such lights will always be burning in S.M.C., Kanpur because sister Deepa has passed this way.

Dear Sister Deepa, today everything is in front of you, a new mission with new goals and fresh dreams. A person's life is judged by how it touches the lives of others. It is what we leave behind and how much positive effect we have on others. This is our wish and prayer for you today that you may secure yourself against the storm of life by anchoring yourself and grounding your life into that of the Almighty God. You don't need to understand his ways, you just need to hold his hand to guide you and give you the strength and peace even in the midst of a storm. Thank you Sister Deepa for all that you have done for us. May God keep you always in this care.

**Mrs. S. Saxena - a teacher**



# Quiz

## COMPETITION

Hello! to K. B.C. the interesting quiz competition, but no need to go to Mumbai because we had the quiz competition in St. Mary's Covent High School Kanpur. Our quiz was not from Monday to Thursday but it was only for one day that was on 27th January 2007. Participants in the quiz were from classes 3, 4 and 5. We all assembled in the auditorium. There was excitement among the children. Miss N. Dhoul conducted the quiz of class 5, Mrs K. Mehrotra of class 4, Mrs. Kumar of class 3. There were 5 rounds. They were Math, English, General Knowledge, Music and the rapid fire round. When the final points were given our heartbeat was still for a minute. When the winners were announced the hall was full of applause. The winners were from classes 5-B, 4-A and 5-A. We look forward to such moments to come again.

Meghna Gupta - III B

## गणतंत्र दिवस

S.M.C. विद्यालय के परिसर में 58वाँ गणतंत्र दिवस बड़ी धूमधाम से मनाया गया। सिरस्टर डेलफिन द्वारा ध्वजारोहण किया गया और राष्ट्रीय गीत गाकर तिरंगे झण्डे का अभिवादन किया गया। इस सुअवसर पर सभी छात्राएँ उपस्थित थीं। कक्षा 9 की छात्राओं द्वारा विशेष प्रार्थना सभा का आयोजन किया गया। जिसमें छात्राओं ने विभिन्न राष्ट्रीय नेताओं का रूप धारण करके उनके आदर्शों से अवगत कराया। छात्राओं ने नेता जी सुभाष चन्द्र बोस के जीवन पर आधारित लघुनाटिका का बहुत सुन्दर प्रस्तुतीकरण किया व देशभक्ति के गीत प्रस्तुत किये।

सिरस्टर दीपा ने भारत के राष्ट्रपति ए.पी.जे. अब्दुल कलाम के गणतंत्र दिवस पर दिये गये संदेश को सुनाया तथा बच्चों को राष्ट्रप्रेम एवम् राष्ट्र के प्रति कर्तव्यों से अवगत कराया। उन्होंने छात्राओं को बताया कि जीवन में अनुशासन का क्या महत्व है एक अनुशासित विद्यार्थी ही एक सफल नागरिक बन सकता है।



# Farewell EXTRAVAGANZA

"Life is a series of meetings and partings". When those whom we love bid us goodbye a part of ourselves is lost. When the necessity of life separate us from those who have walked with us for a long stretch of the journey, those who have stood by us through thick and thin, those who have held our hands when we risked stumbling - indeed it makes our hearts ache.

Thinking of all these and much more we, the students of class 11, organised a grand farewell for our dear seniors on the 13th February, 2007. Hardwork, affection and creativity formed the basis of the programme. Besides, the synchronised dances, melodious songs and soul - stirring speeches added colour to the day. The Hindi Skit with its humorous dialogues brought a momentary halt to the tears in our eyes. But, fun and joy are incomplete without the blessings of God. The prayer service inspired confidence, peace of mind, the will to do better by making our seniors realise that God is always with them.

The various slides prepared for the occasion served as a kaleidoscope that gave glimpses of the past care-free, childhood days.

The titles given to our seniors made them realise how precious they are to us.

Greater the love, more intense is the pain, closer the union more severe is the sense of loss, "Absence lessens mediocre passions and augments great ones, as the wind extinguishes the taper, but fans the fire". This parting marks the beginning of a new journey leading our seniors to their bright careers that would change their lives for the better.

Aastha Singh - XI B

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## TWIN CELEBRATIONS

Birthday a special day with special gifts and surprises and special people around to give warm greeting and best wishes. A birthday reminds us of the fact that one year has gone by but with a gleam of hope, it also tells us that there are many more years to come. On 25th January, 2007 Sr Deepa celebrated her feast day as well as her birthday,

Our relationship with Sr Deepa is like that of a gardener and his plants. She nurtures us and today we are blossoming and blooming in her garden of love.

On the auspicious occasion of Sr Deepa's birthday and feast day, a prayer service was conducted by the students of Class VII A and B. We thanked God for the gift of Sr Deepa and asked God to bless her and all her near and dear ones. We presented Sister our token of love and appreciation - cards, flowers and bouquets. The choir sang melodious songs.

Sr. Deepa has a magnetic persona. She is calm and poised. Her words "You have done well", are a source of encouragement to the students. She is a person who believes in "simple living and high thinking". May god shower his choicest blessings upon her.

I would like to conclude by saying that wherever we might go, distance will not smother the love that has laced together our lives.

Hi Jain - XI B





## FETE IN ST. MARY'S CONVENT

After the gloomy winter vacations, St. Marians were ones again filled with enthusiasm when Sister Deepa informed them about the school fete.

Our school fete was held on 12th January, 2007 and was managed by the senior school students. Early in the morning, all the classes started putting up their stalls. Students were toiling to make their stalls "The Best". Every stall was decorated with attractive banners. There were food stalls as well as of games.

After the things were ready, our very special visitors, the junior school students arrived. The food stalls laden with mouth watering dishes attracted the teachers and the students alike. The spicy "Batasha" and "Bhelpuri", kabab, biryani and idli stalls were raided by students as soon as the fete started.

The "desserts" pastries and cakes were children's favourite. The stall selling Choumein attracted the juniors and the seniors alike. After the spicy treat, the teachers' coffee stall was everyone's choice. Students also enjoyed themselves at the game stalls. Some were found busy hitting the cans while others tried "Luck 7". Some played "The Floating Cups" while others opted for "Hoopla". Class X-B attracted everyone by telling their future. The students found it difficult to light all ten candles with one match stick. The teachers also enjoyed themselves at the different stalls. It was good to see that even junior school children won many prizes. In this atmosphere of fun and floric our senior most class; with their special "Music" stall compelled everyone to dance to their tune.

At the end, Sister Deepa congratulated the students and the teachers for their successful efforts. We held

our breath during the critical moment when Sister Deepa announced the "Best stall of the fete". It was class IX-A who received this honour and it was also the same class that had the highest collection.

More than Sixty thousand rupees was collected, which was used to help the poor people and to provide books to the students of Mary Ward School. Thus, it was an enjoyable and a memorable day for every one.

**Zoya Ali - XIB**

### Fete

School fete is an occasion where the children and teachers wait the year long to enjoy and relish. It is the moment when both the teachers and children share and participate together. They themselves are the organizers, the participants and the consumers.

We, in S.M.C., had such an event on 12th January 2007 when our principal permitted us to organize this wonderful event in our school campus. It was every one's delight to be a participant for the occasion in such a lovely school campus.

The children had put up various stalls like shooting the balloons, floating cups, ring the demon, light your fortune etc.

Food stalls were a delight to watch. The teachers and children were seen lining together for their turn. There were various chat stalls like dhania aloo, batasas, pav bhaji, dosa, snacks and many more.

The most important aspect was that the amount collected was given for charity for a noble cause.

**Swarnim Pandey - IV C**





# Light of SMC

**"A person of good acts and good, agreeable and sweet speech has no equal"**

Change is the essence of life. This above statement appears to be most apt when we reflect upon all that our Principal Sr. Deepa has done for the School. One of the first things that comes to our minds is the new look that our School magazine attained. The annual magazine was replaced by the quarterly issues which gave the students an opportunity to exploit their literary talents.

Transformation was evident in the school building. The verandhas have been cordoned off by iron grills to keep the monkeys at bay who were a source of menace to the staff and the students alike.

In contrast to the former times, the daily assembly is conducted at the basketball court now. The senior school, that is classes six to twelve all gather together for it.

Sr. Deepa keeps abreast of all the latest developments and happenings. Conservation of environment is a current issue and in keeping with that she took up the theme for the academic session 2006-07 as "Nurturing the environment".

The highlight of this academic session was the annual concert, conducted on a lavish scale, left everyone spellbound.

Giving top priority to the welfare of the students, Sr. Deepa had arranged for several workshops such as on Accelerated Learning and career counselling.

"Education may work wonders as well in warping the genius of individuals as in seconding it". Since

the tenure of Sr. Deepa as the principal of SMC is coming to a close, we feel that this is what she has accomplished. We pray that Sr. Deepa may like the sun and the moon tread always on the straight, righteous and fixed path; may she be a manifestation of the name she has, a light guiding and illuminating the paths of all.

## SCHOOL

What does School stand for?

- S** is for sincerity
- C** is for capacity
- H** is for honesty
- O** is for obedience
- O** is for orderliness and
- L** is for learning

So, the school is for sincerity, capacity, honesty, obedience, orderliness and learning.

For these things I come to school and with these things I leave the School.

**Hansa Maheshwari - IV C**



## WHEN GOD CREATED MAN

God created the donkey and said to him, "You will be a donkey. You will work untiringly from sunrise to sunset, carrying burden on your back. You will eat grass, you will have no intelligence and you will live 50 years."

The donkey answered: "I will be a donkey, but to live 50 years is too much. Give me only 20 years." God granted his wish.

God created the dog and said to him: "You will guard the house of man, you will be his best friend. You will eat the scraps that he gives you and you will live 30 years. You will be a dog."

The dog answered: "Sir, to live 30 years is too much, give me only 15 years." God granted his wish.

God created the monkey and said to him: "You will be a monkey. You will swing from branch to branch doing tricks. You will be amusing and you will live for 20 years."

The monkey answered: "To live 20 years is too much. Give me only 10 years." God granted his wish.

Finally God created man and said to him: "You will be man, the only rational creature on earth. You will use your intelligence to become master over all the animals. You will dominate the world and live for 20 years."

Man responded: "Sir, I will be a man, but to live only 20 years is very little, give me the 30 years that the donkey refused, the 15 years that the dog did not want and the 10 years the monkey refused." God granted man's wish.

And since then, man lives 20 years as a man, marries and spends 30 years like a donkey, working and carrying all the burden on his back. Then when his children are grown, he lives 15 years like a dog,

taking care of the house and eating whatever is given to him. When he is old, he can retire and live 10 years like a monkey, going from house to house from one son or daughter to another, doing tricks to amuse his grand children.

That's life .....

Tanya Sexena - VII B



### Surely it's a girl's world

If a girl doesn't marry, she's a SPINSTER

If a boy doesn't marry, he's a BACHELOR

If a girl laughs, she is JOLLY

If a boy laughs, he is ILL MANNERED

If a girl talks too much, she is WITTY.

If a boy talks, he is CHATTER BOX

If a girl likes silence, she is SERIOUS

If a boy likes silence, he is DULL.

If a girl wears a conspicuous dress, it is FASHION

If a boy wears it, he is a JOKER

If girls move together they form a COMPANY

If boys move together they form a GANG

And surely it is a girl's world.

Devika Vasandani - VI A



# A DREAM



One day I slept in the evening and saw a dream. I saw a golden box and opened it. I saw a ring and a piece of paper inside it. On the paper it was written that any one who wears that ring would become invisible. I wore the ring and guess what? I became invisible! I went out on the road and saw some children eating ice-creams and there stood a boy who was crying for an ice-cream but didn't have enough money to buy. I felt bad for him and when the ice-cream man was not watching, I picked up an ice-cream and gave it to the little boy. The boy was surprised and looked here and there -----  
-- He called out. "Who has given me the ice-cream?" I laughed and turned to go away but saw a huge truck coming towards me at a great speed. I jumped on to the path and realized that I was once again visible. I then saw that the ring had slipped out of my finger and I couldn't find it. I cried "Mama! Mama!" and heard her say - "Yes darling! What is it? I am here. Wake up, its morning."

Anushka Shukla - V-C

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Moon! Moon!

Please come soon,

You come at night,

And give us your bright light,

We are stars of your eye,

But on the earth why don't you lie,

You appear in the sky

And disappear in the sky,

But we don't cry,

You are so white,

And very quiet,

Only you can give us,

Light in the night,

Please come soon,

Moon! Moon!

Sanya Mishra - III C

# Guess What?

1. What is it that you must keep after giving it to someone else?
2. It can run but can't walk. What is it?
3. You heard me before, yet you hear me again. Then I die, till you call me again. What am I?
4. A number consisting of 3 different digits is subtracted from a number made up of the same digits in reverse order. The result consists of the same three digits and yet another order. What are the three numbers?
5. I am a driver who doesn't have a license. What am I?
6. What kind of a table has no legs?
7. I come twice in a week and once in a year?
8. How high is a Chinaman?
9. Think of a number, double it, add 6 to it, half it, take away the number you first thought of from this number. The answer is "3". How did I know?
10. You use a knife to slice my head and weep beside me when I am dead. What am I?
11. Someone at a party introduce you to your mother's only sister's husband's sister in law. He has no brothers. What do you call this lady?
12. It sneaks through doors & windows without knocking and heats as unlit stove. What is it?

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|-----|---------------------------------------|-----|----------------------|
| 1.  | Promise                               | 2.  | Water                |
| 3.  | An echo                               | 4.  | 954, 459, 495        |
| 5.  | Screw driver                          | 6.  | Multiplication table |
| 7.  | Letter 'E'                            | 8.  | How tall is his name |
| 9.  | Its simple - the answer is "3" always | 10. | An Onion             |
| 11. | Mother or Mom                         | 12. | Sun                  |

Answers:



## Riddles

- 1- It is not planted still it grows:
- 2- Which wave is not in water?
- 3- Which cycle moves without a wheel?
- 4- Which tube does not give us light?
- 5- A nation which every student fears.

Answers:

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|----------------|--------------|
| 1- Hair        | 2- Microwave |
| 3- Water cycle | 4- Test tube |
| 5- Examination |              |

Saumya Joshi - V A

## My Darling Parents

Mamma darling, Mamma darling

I love you, I love you,

See your baby smiling too,

Just for you, just for you,

Papa darling, Papa darling,

I love you, I love you too,

See your baby dancing,

Just for you, just for you,

Aditi Awasthi - I A



# Chatter Box

One day on returning from school, Rohan's mother told him that she was going out to purchase some provisions. She left and a guest happened to arrive before she came back home.

Guest : Rohan, is your mother home?

Rohan : No, Aunty, she will be back in a few minutes. Please sit down. Can I get you some thing to drink? Tea or coffee?

Guest : Tea would be fine.

Rohan : Brooke Bond, Red Label or Green Label?

Guest : Red Label.

Rohan : In a Cup or Glass?

Guest : Cup, if you don't mind.

Rohan : Which cup? Hitkari or Bengal Potteries?

Guest : Oh! Keep quiet! My head is aching. Give me a tablet.

Rohan : Anacin or Disprin?

Guest : Shut up! Take me to a doctor.

Rohan : Homeopathic or Allopathic

Guest : Oh! I don't want a doctor. Please just take me home.

Rohan : By bus or by car.

There was no answer because the guest had fainted

Nida Masroor - VII C



## Riddles

- Continue the sequence in a logical way :-  
M T W T \_ \_ \_
- Correct this formula with a single stroke:-  
 $5 + 5 + 5 = 550$
- Please write anything here :-  
\_\_\_\_\_
- Draw a rectangle with 3 lines :

### Answers:

- M=Monday; T=Tuesday; W=Wednesday;  
T=Thursday; F=Friday; S=Saturday;  
S=Sunday
- $545 + 5 = 550$
- Anything
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Application	General Proficiency	Best in Mathematics
VI A Rishika Agarwal	VI A Kartika Garg	VI A Divyanshi Agarwal
VI B Garima Arora	VI B Shivanshi Gupta	VI B Lavanya Singh
VI C Devika Srivastava	VI C Antra Gupta	VI C Devika Srivastava
VII A Sukirti Dwivedi	VII A Maria Aquil	VII A Sukirti Dwivedi
VII B Urvashi Priyam Kumar	VII B Nidhi Chaparia	VII B Urvashi Priyam Kumar
VII C Ishita Bajpai	VII C Sonia Najeeb	Stuti Chaturvedi
VIII A Mahevash Fatima Khan	VIII A Harshita Agarwal	VII C Ishita Bajpai
VIII B Bhavna Agarwal	VIII B Asna Rehman	VIII A Mahevarh Fatima Khan
VIII C Vandita Khatri	VIII C Annpurna Gupta	VIII B -
IX A Sukanya Srivastva	IX A Jyotsna Chaddha	VIII C Annpurna Gupta
IX B Pallavi Singh	IX B Mitali Agarwal	IX A Ananta Tyagi
IX C Ghavi Khanna	IX C Aparajita Arora	IX B Varsha Dixit
X A Ananya Tiwari	X A Sakshi Bajpai	IX C Meemanra Trivedi
X B Harjeet Kaur	X B Tripti Kanodiya	X A Ananya Tiwari
X C Alankita Lal	X C Mahea Govil	X B Tripti Kanodiya
XI A Garima Gupta		X C Esha Tandon
XI B Anugya Srivastava		XI A -
XII A Promita Sen		XI B Zoya Ali Rizvi
XII B Surabhi Ruia		XII A Ranai Zaheer
		XII B Priyam Awasthi

  

Best in English	Best in Commerce/Review	Best in Hindi
VI A Divyanshi Agarwal	XI A Sanha Parswani	VI A Rishika Agarwal
VI B Garima Arora	XI B Anugya Srivastava	VI B Amrika Bajpai
VI C Devika Srivastava	XII A Promita Sen	VI C Devika Srivastava
VII A Sukirti Dwivedi	XII B Surabhi Ruia	VII A Maria Qauil
VII B Urvashi Priyam Kumar		VII B Nidhi Chaparia
VII C Sonia Najeeb		VII C Ishita Bajpai
VIII A Mahevash Fatima Khan		VIII A Mahevash Fatima Khan
VIII B Bhavna Arora		VIII B Bhavana Agarwal,
VIII C Anupama Gupta		Asha Rehman
IX A Jyotsana Chaddha		VIII C Anupama Gupta
IX B -		IX A Noopur Srivastava
IX C Aditi Mehvetna		IX B Ayushi Maheshwari
X A Sakshi Bajpai		IX C Smita Jain
X B -		X A Lakshmi Bajpai
X C -		X B Harjeet Kaur
XI A -		X C Mahsa Govil
XI B -		XI A Kanika Jain
XII A Sheryl Sadana		XI B Anugya Srivastava
XII B -		XII A Kanika Jain
		XII B Ripujeet Kaur

*Congratulations*  
to all  
of you !



Application	General Proficiency	Best in Mathematics
IA Muskan Beriwal	IA Alvera Rashid Khan	IA Ramsha Zubia Rehman
IB Tanya Seth	IB Hera Fatima Alam	IB Tanya Goel
IC Shreya Chowdhury	IC Shivani Bhargava	IC Sonalika Tiwari
IIA Divya Singh	IIA Tanisha Sharma	IIA Tabiha Fatima
IIB Shailja Singh	IIB Sukiriti Bajpai	IIB Khazeena Asif
IIC Bhargavi Priyasha	IIC Prachi Chawla	IIC Zaifa Khan
IIIA Vamika Jain	IIIA Ayushi Upadhyay	IIIA Kritika Tiwari
IIIB Aditi Awasthi	IIIB Kritika Singh	IIIB Kritika Singh
IIIC Sanya Mishra	IIIC Shatakshi Pandey	IIIC Sanya Mishra
IVA Shubhangi Agarwal	IVA Zainab Wahaj	IVA Devisha Gupta
IVB Mayuri Gupta	IVB Ujjwala Krishna	IVB Priya Gupta
IVC Nikita Awasthi	IVC Nikita Bajaj	IVC Nikita Awasthi
VA Saumya Joshi	VA Eva Hafeez	VA Preetbala Kaur Bhatia
VB Shreya Gupta	VB Ayushi Janeja	VB Mohini Singh
VC Pawni Tripathi	VC Nivedita Sood	VC Afreen Husain

Best in English
IA Ruchi Nadnani
IB Tanya Goel
IC Nandini Agarwal
IIA Shruti Gupta
IIB Romsha Singh
IIC Avi Amitosh
IIIA Shrishti Bhattacharya
IIIB Aditi Awasthi
IIIC Swati Yadav
IVA Kirti Parwani
IVB Lavanya Kohli
IVC Vagesha Srivastava
VA Preetbala Kaur Bhatia
VB Shreya Gupta
VC Pawni Tripathi

*Well  
Done  
Dear  
Students !*

Best in Hindi
IA Perna Rohatgi
IB Tanya Seth
IC Apporva Awasthi
IIA Kopal Agarwal
IIB Alizha Zaman
IIC Afia Fatima
IIIA Vamika Jain
IIIB Suchitra Srivastava
IIIC Sarah Momin
IVA Alisha Rizwan
IVB Shalvi Agarwal
IVC Shreya Bajpai
VA Saumya Joshi
VB Aakshit Puri
VC Gauri Chaturvedi

# ABC of Happiness

- A** - Aspire to search your goal.
- B** - Believe in yourself.
- C** - Create a good life
- D** - Dream about what you might become
- E** - Exercise frequently
- F** - Forgive mistakes
- G** - Glorify the creative spirit
- H** - Honesty should be your aim
- I** - Imagine new ideas
- J** - Joyfully live each day
- K** - Kindly help others
- L** - Love one another
- M** - Meditate daily
- N** - Nurture the environment
- O** - Organise yourself
- P** - Praise performances well done
- Q** - Question uncommon things
- R** - Regulate your own behaviour
- S** - Smile often
- T** - Think of beautiful deeds
- U** - Understand others
- V** - Value life
- W** - Work for the common good
- X** - Exercise daily for good health
- Y** - Yearn to improve
- Z** - Zestfully enjoy life

## School Discipline

Come to school always on time,

Go for prayer in a line,

Come to school neat and clean,

Wish all the teachers whom you meet,

On your desk should be a number,

Diaries must be brought, remember,

Bring your lock and bring your key,

Don't forget to pay your fee,

Do your home work every day,

In your class you must not play,

Follow every rule, if you want to stay in school.

**Shumaila Ahmad - II B**

## WINNER V/S LOSER

The Winner is always a part of the answer.

The Loser is always a part of the problem.

The winner always has a programme.

The Loser always has an excuse.

The winner says "Let me do it for you."

The Loser says "That's not my job."

The winner sees an answer for every problem.

The Loser sees problem in every answer.

The winner says, "It may be difficult but it's possible".

The loser says, "It may be possible but it's too difficult."

**Be a winner**

**Mahima Kapoor - IV C**



# **Life's Accountancy**

What comes I **debit**

What goes I **credit**

My birth is my **opening stock**

My ideas are my **assets**

My views are my **liabilities**

My happiness is my **profit**

Sorrow is my **loss**

Soul is my **goodwill**

Heart is my **joint asset**

Duties are my **outstanding expenses**

Hard work and toil are my **pre paid expenses**

Friendship is my **hidden adjustment**

Character is my **Capital**

Bad things I **depreciate**

Good things I **appreciate**

Knowledge is my **investment**

My mind is my **balance sheet**

and

Death is my **closing stock**

Rebecca Luther - XI A

- - *If you want* - -

If you want to beat the heat,  
If you want some shady streets,  
If you want some paper neat,  
If you want some sweet treats,  
If you want flowers along the streets,  
If you want to save doctors fees,  
If you want a lot of greenery  
Simply get many seeds,  
plant them and let them grow as trees  
and get all these.

Varuni Gupta - VII A



## What makes teeth clatter?

When we feel cold our nervous system is whist disturbed and we shiver. A shivering or jerking movement of the muscles produces some heat in the process. Unless our jaws are tightly clenched, the upper and the lower teeth move with the jaw muscles and cause the clattering sound. Fear can also cause a similar effect.

Shreya Gupta - VII A

# शिक्षक-विधाता की अनुपम रचना

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‘गुरु गोविन्द दोनों खड़े काके लागू पाऊँ।

बलिहारी गुरु आपने जिन गोविन्द दियो बताए।।

संत कबीर की यह उक्ति सचमुच में एक विद्यार्थी का अपने गुरु के प्रति समर्पित उद्गार है। सच में सारे अज्ञान रूपी अंधकार तिरोहित हो जाते हैं। मनुष्य का सारा जीवन ज्ञान के प्रकाश से झिलमिल उठता है। सच में -

गुरु ब्रह्मा, गुरु विष्णु, गुरुदेवो महेश्वरा।

गुरु साक्षात् पर ब्रह्म, तस्मै श्री मुखे नमः॥

मनुष्य जब जीवन में निराश हो जाता है, विवेक शून्य हो जाता है। चारों ओर अंधकार छा जाता है तब गुरु सच्चे प्रदर्शक के रूप में सामने आता है और अपने ज्ञान से अज्ञान को दूर कर उसके जीवन में आशा और उत्साह का सृजन करता है।

कभी गुरु मनुष्य के रूप में, कभी माता-पिता के रूप में, तो कभी सखा के रूप में विद्यार्थी के जीवन में आता है और उसके जीवन में ज्ञान की ज्योति जलाकर उसके जीवन को प्रकाशमय करता है। गुरु के विषय में कुछ कहना सूरज को दीपक दिखाना है। आज मैं ‘प्रियल त्रिवेदी’ अपने पूरे विद्यालयकाल का अवलोकन करती हूँ तो पाती हूँ कि आज मैं जिस लक्ष्य को प्राप्त करने के लिए अग्रसर हो रही हूँ, उसमें गुरु ही मेरे सच्चे सहायक हैं। उनकी सहायता और मार्गदर्शन के बिना मेरा लक्ष्य कभी पूरा नहीं हो पायेगा। बचपन से आज तक मैंने जो भी ज्ञान पाया है वह मेरे गुरुओं की देन है।

समाज, देश, परिवार सबके प्रति कर्तव्य का ज्ञान, उचित-अनुचित का बोध गुरु के द्वारा ही सम्भव है। सोचती हूँ संसार की ऐसी कौन सी वस्तु होगी जिसे इन गुरुओं के मूल्यवान योगदान के बदले देकर इनका ऋण चुकाया जा सकता है, शायद कोई नहीं। उनके द्वारा बताए गये मार्ग पर चलकर परिश्रम के सहारे अपना लक्ष्य पाती हूँ, तो यही उनके लिए सच्ची गुरुदक्षिणा होगी।

मैं भी भविष्य में किसी के लिए गुरु बनकर, उसे सच्चा मार्ग दिखाकर, उसकी सहायता करके अपना जीवन सार्थक करने की इच्छा रखती हूँ। अभी तो मुझे अपने गुरु की सहायता की आवश्यकता है क्योंकि शिष्य कितना भी बड़ा क्यों न हो जाए, शिक्षक के लिए वह छोटा ही होता है। शिक्षक के ज्ञान का भण्डार उसे सदैव सहायता करता है।



कैसा होगा

हमारा भविष्य

एक बार की बात है, सूरज बाबा ने पृथ्वी को रोते हुए देखा, तो उन्होंने पूछा, पृथ्वी तुम रो क्यों रही हो? तुम्हें कौन सी चिंता सता रही है? पृथ्वी ने कहा, ‘‘अब मेरी मदद कोई नहीं कर सकता। मेरा अंत नजदीक है।’’ ‘‘नहीं पृथ्वी ऐसा न कहो। तुम्हें हानि पहुँचाने वाले को मैं कदापि नहीं छोड़ूँगा।’’ सूरज ने कहा। पृथ्वी रोते-रोते कहने लगी, ‘‘मनुष्यों ने मेरा जीना दूबर कर दिया है। जहाँ देखो धूल, धुआँ, प्रदूषण यहाँ-वहाँ हर जगह फैला हुआ है। मैंने मनुष्यों को सचेत करने की कोशिश की मगर... बेरहम दुनिया।’’ वू हू हू सूरज ने कहा, ‘‘तुम चिंता न करो, मैं मनुष्यों को सबक सिखा कर रहूँगा।’’

सूरज अपने विकराल रूप में आ गया। पृथ्वी पर गर्मी पड़ने लगी। गर्मी नहीं बल्कि भीषण गर्मी, सूखा, त्राहि-त्राहि मच गई। पीने के लिये जल न था, पेड़ सूखने लगे। तब कहीं किसी मनुष्य ने अपने घर पर एक छोटा सा पौधा उगाया। उसे देख दूसरे मनुष्यों ने भी पानी बचा-बचा कर अपने घर के पास पौधे उगाने शुरू किये, जिससे उन्हें खाने को कम से कम साग-सब्जी ही मिल जाए। धीरे-धीरे धरती पर प्रदूषण कम होने लगा और पेड़ ज्यादा उगाने की कोशिश। अब सूरज ने पृथ्वी से पूछा, ‘‘क्यों पृथ्वी अब कैसी हो? मैंने मनुष्यों को समझाने की पूरी कोशिश की है, फल नहीं वे समझेंगे या नहीं?’’ पृथ्वी ने कहा, ‘‘बाबा आपका बहुत धन्यवाद, मैं पूरी तरह से तो नहीं पर बहुत हद तक अच्छी हो गई हूँ। अब आप शांत हो जाएँ क्योंकि मनुष्यों को मेरी फिक्र होने लगी है और वे मेरी कद्र करते हैं।’’

हमें भी पृथ्वी की कद्र करनी चाहिए और पर्यावरण सुरक्षा पर गंभीर रूप से सोचना चाहिये; कहीं पृथ्वी का रो-रो कर दम न निकल जाए।





## जीवन एक संघर्ष

हमें अपने जीवन के प्रत्येक पग पर नये-नये अनुभव तथा शिक्षा प्राप्त होती है। कभी सुख तो कभी दुख, एक पल आशा तो दूसरे पल निराशा, इन्हीं सबके मिले-जुले संगम को हम जीवन की परिभाषा देते हैं। हमारा सम्पूर्ण जीवन एक संघर्ष है। अब यह मनुष्य पर निर्भर करता है कि वह जीवन की चुनौती को स्वीकार करता है अथवा उससे हार मान लेता है। परन्तु जो सुख तथा आन्तरिक शान्ति की अनुभूति जीवन की हर विपत्ति से डट कर लड़ने में है, जो बड़ी से बड़ी चुनौती को स्वीकार करने में है, वो उनसे डर कर भागने में नहीं। मनुष्य यदि विपत्तियों का सामना न कर सके, अपने कर्तव्य पालन की क्षमता न रखता हो, तो ऐसे अकर्मण्य मनुष्य को जीवन जीने का कोई अधिकार नहीं है। जब तक हम किसी वस्तु को प्राप्त करने के लिए कठिन संघर्ष के मार्ग को नहीं स्वीकारेंगे तथा अपनाएंगे तब तक क्या उसकी प्राप्ति हमें सुखी करेगी। जो आनंद संघर्ष करने के पश्चात् हारने में है वह सरलता से जीतने में भी नहीं। इसीलिए तो कहते हैं -

**गिरते हैं शहसवार मैदाने जंग में,**

**वो विफल क्या गिरेंगे जो घुटनों के बल चलें।**

अतः यदि हमें भी सच्चे अर्थों में जीवन व्यतीत करना है तो विपत्तियों से लड़ना तथा संघर्ष करना चाहिए। संघर्ष तथा परिश्रम करे बिना ही हमें संसार का संपूर्ण वैभव भी वह सुख प्रदान नहीं कर सकता जो संघर्ष करके प्राप्त की हुई तुल्य वस्तु दे देगी। अतः जीवन में सुख तथा संतुष्टि प्राप्त करने का रहस्य ही संघर्ष है। क्योंकि -

**जितने कष्ट संकटों में हैं,**

**जिनका जीवन सुमन खिला।**

**गौरव गन्ध उन्हें उतना ही,**

**यत्र तत्र सर्वत्र मिला।**

अनुश्री सिंह - 8 ए



जीवन में लक्ष्य का बड़ा महत्व है। लक्ष्य साधकर उसकी प्राप्ति के लिए संघर्ष करना ही जीवन का मूलमंत्र है -

**'लक्ष्य उपासना से होए जीवन सुकृत।**

**लक्ष्य बिना जीवन की होए न कोई आकृति।'**

लक्ष्य प्राप्ति के पीछे सच्ची श्रद्धा व दृढ़ संघर्ष छुपा हो तो लक्ष्य की साकारता सुनिश्चित है। विद्यार्थी विवेक विचारधारा और प्रतिस्पर्धा शक्ति का प्रयोग करके जीवन के किसी भी लक्ष्य को प्राप्त कर सकता है। विद्यार्थी को अपने निर्धारित लक्ष्य को कभी भी भूलना चाहिए अन्वया जो भी मिलेगा उसी में संतुष्ट होना पड़ेगा। लक्ष्य की प्राप्ति होने पर जब अपने परिश्रम को साकार होते देखते हैं तो हमारे अन्तर्मन में हर्ष की किरण उज्ज्वलित होने लगती है, वह पल हमें अपने जीवन का स्वर्णिम क्षण लगता है।

अतः मैं अपने विद्यार्थीयों से यह अपेक्षा करती हूँ कि वे साहस, उदयम भाव, परिश्रम एवम् विनम्रता को अपने लक्ष्य प्राप्ति का मूल मंत्र बनाएँगे और जीवन पथ पर अग्रसित होते हुए विद्यालय एवम् देश को गौरवान्वित करेंगे।

**श्रीमती एम. भटनागर - हिन्दी विभाग**

# भारतीय क्रिकेट सेना के ग्यारह जवान



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सहवाग की आतिशी पारी,  
पड़ेगी सब टीमों पर भारी।  
सौरव उड़ाएगा धीके-छके,  
रह जाएंगे सब हके बके।  
सचिन दिखावेगा सबको तारे,  
झूम उठेंगे भारतीय सारे।  
राहुल रहेगा क्रीज पे सवार,  
जैसे हो चीन की दीवार।  
युवराज का निशाना है बिलकुल सही,  
रन किसी को लेने देगा नहीं,  
धोनी करेगा मैच को रोचक,  
क्योंकि यह है संकट मोचक।  
आगरकर हमारा क्लाइमैक्स हीरो,  
कर देगा अच्छे-अच्छों को जीरो।  
ज़हीर उगलेगा ऐसी आग,  
जायेंगे सब बल्लेबाज भाग।  
भज़ी के स्पिन का तो क्या कहना?  
पड़ता है दुश्मनों को सब सहना।  
इरफान है जरूर उम्र में छोटा,  
पर नहीं है विकेट लेने में खोटा।  
कुम्बले के पास है तजुर्बे का साथ,  
आने न देगा रन किसी बल्लेबाज के हाथ।

## मेरा विद्यालय

कितना अच्छा विद्यालय हमारा,  
सबसे सुन्दर सबसे प्यारा।

कक्षा एक से बारह तक,  
है कक्षाओं को इसने संभाला,  
जो भी इसमें पढ़ने आया,  
पढ़ा लिखाकर इसने सुधारा।

सिस्टर दीपा ने इसे सँवारा।  
विद्यालय को इतने अच्छे से ढाला।  
इसी स्कूल ने कई लोगों को  
पढ़ा लिखाकर काबिल बनाया।



# पहेलियाँ

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- 1 पन्द्रह आए बराती,  
बरा बनाया एक,  
चौदह को दिया आधा आधा,  
एक को दिया एक
- 2 लगातार चलती रहती,  
जल्दी कभी नहीं रुकती,  
एक बार जब रुक जाती,  
दोबारा फिर नहीं चलती है।
- 3 एक महल में कई चोर,  
सबका ही मुँह काला,  
पूछें पकड़कर घिस डाला,  
फौरन ही हो जाए उजाला।
- 4 अश्व की सवारी  
माल ले भारी  
घास की रोटी खाई,  
जारी रखी लड़ाई।
- 5 देकर एक झटका,  
फौसी पर लटका,  
इन्कलाब का शोला,  
जिन्दाबाद बोला।

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क्या तुमने कभी देखा है,

पौधों पर पड़ी ओस को,

कैसे धो देती है पात के गात को,

शीतल कर जाती है छूने वाले हाथ को।

क्या तुमने कभी छुआ है,

अश्रु भरी पलक की नोक को,

मन में भर जाती हैं न जाने कैसी दुखन,

कंठ में भरा जल भी शान्त नहीं कर पाता जलन।

जल की दो बूंदों पर,

असर कितना बेमेल,

ये प्रकृति का नियम नहीं,

है नियति का खेल।

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# मेरा भारत

अंधियारी में घिरा हुआ,  
धुंधला सा एक आसमौं,  
न जाने कहीं खो गया है,  
मेरा भारत, मेरा जहाँ।

जिसके सृजन में लुट गए प्राण,  
जिसके लिए बही लहू की धाराएँ  
जिसके लिए अर्पित किए गए शीश,  
कि कहीं शीश न इसका झुक जाए।

तो आओ हम रहें एक स्वप्न,  
स्वप्न नए भारत का,  
जहाँ उजियारा ही उजियारा हो,  
जहाँ जरा सा भी न अंधियारा हो।

निकल जाए मेरा जहाँ,  
जाति धर्म के बंधन से,  
रहे हर जन, हर मन यहाँ,  
मेल-जोल और प्रेम से।

उजियारों में घिरा हुआ,  
साफ दिखेगा आसमौं,  
हर तरफ से चमकेगा,  
मेरा भारत, मेरा जहाँ।



## चल रहे मिला कदम

कोटि कोटि कंठ से,  
एक स्वर निकल रहा,  
भारतीय हैं हम प्रथम,  
चल रहे मिला कदम।

न एक गाँव के हम,  
न एक ढाँव के हम,  
न एक नाम के हम,  
न एक धाम के हम,  
हम सभी हैं भारतीय,  
भारतीय ही प्रथम,  
चल रहे मिला कदम।

एक आन-बान है,  
एक स्वामिमान है,  
एक राष्ट्रगीत है,  
एक संविधान है,  
एक भारतीय हम,  
भारतीय ही प्रथम,  
चल रहे मिला कदम।



# GOLD HOUSE *Report*

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Every good thing comes to an end and so did the sessions of 2006-2007. As I took back nostalgically at the year that has passed, I am gripped with the feeling of extreme delight as it has strengthened our belief in the motto - "Efforts spell success".

I express my heartiest congratulations to all the Gold House members who by their perseverance did our house proud by winning the March Past Shield. We also emerged victorious in the Inter-House

Basketball match and our athletes, too, gave a commendable performance in the Inter-House Athletic events. I would like to thank Shubhangi Jaiswal, the Basketball Captain and Chandni Jakodia, the Games Captain for their support and co-operation.

At the end of the year we were overjoyed to lift the overall championship of the year 2006-2007. Three cheers to Gold House.

A special vote of thanks to our principal, Sister Deepa and our moderators, Mrs. M. Singh and Mrs. S. Luther for their constant encouragement and guidance.

I would also like to thank my co-operative and hard working Vice-Captain, Tanvi Agarwal. Gold House would not have been able to deliver such a remarkable performance without her efforts.

Before I lay down my pen, with a heavy heart and tearful eyes, I bid farewell to you. I hope all the Gold House members will let their faith be greater than their fears and live to their potential. In conclusion, I would like to say - "Visions is not enough, it must be combined with venture. It is not enough to stare up to the steps, we must step up the stairs."

**Radhika Chhaparia - Captain**



The academic year 2006-2007 has been truly an eventful one, that has seen us through many ups and downs. The undaunted enthusiasm of the house members won many laurels in the competitions.

We achieved the first position in Hindi Elocution for the senior group, but declined to the fourth position in the English Elocution. Never mind girls better luck next time. The middle school also tried their level best in the recitation competition.

There was an inevitable rush of adrenaline for the grand finale that was to decide the fate of Blue House, the Athletic events. Our athletes seasoned by thorough practice and confidence, and favoured by lady luck performed well. Besides the regular athletes of our house like Niti Uttam, Manvi Bhatia, Richa Jaiswal, Mouli Verma, Satakshi, Monica, Saman Shahid who did us proud in this meet, we also had the Vice-Captain Deepti Dhawan winning medals. It was indeed the sincere dedication of the athletes which enabled Blue House to grab the Athletic Shield. Holding the first runners-up trophy was the most blessed and memorable moment of my tenure. This success has been due to the contribution made by each and every member of the house.

A heartfelt and sincere thanks to Sister Deepa for having given us so many avenues to explore our talents, Sanjeev Sir and all the staff members who gave us individual support for a better display. A special thanks to my house moderators, Mrs. G. Arora and Mrs. J. T. Sharma. I express my gratitude for Deepti Dhawan, my vice-captain, who worked beside me every inch of the way, the participants of various events who made this victory possible, last but not the least, all my house members, who supported and co-operated with me.

Always remember "You're never given a wish, without being given the power to make it true, you have to work for it, however."

**Daniya Javed - Captain**





# GREEN HOUSE

## Report

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**"Our deeds determine us, as much as we determine our deeds."**

The year 2006-2007 was an eventful one, wherein there were exhilarating moments of triumph as well as sad moments of failure. With the commencement of the new session, we looked forward to another year which would be full of activities.

The Inter-House debate competitions marked the beginning of the activities. Class XII stood first in the debate competition, which was on the topic "Caste-based reservation is the right solution". Class XI emerged second on the same topic in Hindi. Class X got the first position for reciting the poem "Macavity : The Mystery Cat" in the Inter-House Choral Recitation competition. The orators of Class IX got us the third prize in the Elocution competition.

Many more activities like March-past and the Athletic events took place on 15th August. We were the runners-up team in the Inter-House Basket Ball competition. The Tableau which we presented on the same day, depicting the position of empowered women in today's society, was greatly appreciated.

At the end of the year to bag the discipline shield (2006-2007) was a pride & honour. Well done Green House.

I am grateful to our house moderators Ms. S. Trivedi and Ms. S. Jaswant and the other teachers for helping us out. I would like to thank our Principal Sr. Deepa for giving the students various opportunities to display their talents.

I also thank all my house-members especially the Vice-Captain Nandini Seth for their co-operation.

I hope they will extend the same in the coming year to the next house captain. Today as I bid farewell, my message to my house-girls is,

**"If victory invites you to move forward,**

**Failure helps you to dash forward!"**

All the very best!

**Shilpi Awasthi - Captain**



# RED HOUSE Report

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**"When life takes a turn, fond memories recollect;**

**There are things to learn and some to forget."**

As the above lines go, I look back as the year full of achievements and disappointments and heartily express my gratitude to every person who contributed to the success of Red House with whole hearted devotion.

"Success comes to those who dare act."

It aptly applies to our dear athletes. With their dedication and hard work, we succeeded in securing the Athletic Shield. Apart from this, there were other activities debates, choral recitation, elocution competition in which Red House showed remarkable achievement. This team work made us the recipient of the overall second position.

For this, I am extremely thankful to Sr. Deepa and our moderators, Mrs. P. Barrow, Mrs. S. Seth, Mrs. V. Barlow, Mrs. M. Banerjee, Mrs. A. Nigam and Mr. A. Banerjee for their able guidance and sincere contribution. I would also like to thank my vice-captain Radhika Mathur and all the members of my house for their efforts and co-operation.

A special note of thanks to our Head Girl, Malvika Tiwari for her encouragement. Lastly, I would like to leave a message for my house members :

"Many a time challenges we face

With either win or defeat,

It doesn't matter what's the end

But the attitude with which you compete.

**Shambhavi Singh - Captain**





## The Youth Rally

On 17th of February, when it was announced that we had to attend the "Manav Sadbhavna Youth Rally", our joy knew no bounds. In high spirits, the students of classes IX and XI boarded the buses as if we were ready to "tour" the whole of Kanpur.

The rally was organised by "Manav Sadbhavna Abhiyan" - a solidarity group of social workers who have been functioning in this city for several years, doing service to the city as its watch-dog. Mr. Norohna is the secretary, who co-ordinated this rally. "Manav Sadbhavna Abhiyan" has worked for communal harmony and now they feel it is important as well as the need of the hour to involve the youth in it.

Twelve institutions participated in this rally. Four N.C.C. battalions also took part. Policemen were present for security and supervision, hence, there was no problem.

The rally also coincided with the six day youth camp organised by the same federation, which is a people to people initiative to break barriers and to build bridges between neighbouring nations.



There were representatives from eighteen states. They all wore their state dress and carried placards and banners. We raised our voices for gender equality, traffic sense, dignity of labour against social evils like bribery, exploitation.

The rally was flagged off by Mr. Ravindra Patni, the Mayor, from Shikshak Park at Naveen Market and the gathering moved to Phool Bagh, covering a distance of 3 km, enumerating the ideals of Sadbhavna.

Dr. S.N. Subba Rao, a noted Gandhian was the chief guest. Shri Shri Prakash Jaiswal, the Union Home Minister for State, was also present. Dr. N. Hameed, the President of the Manav Sadbhavna Federation, Mr. R. Jaiswal, President of Eco-Friends Club and Smt. Neelam Chaturvedi of Mahila Manch were the other speakers.

The final message of the rally was that the youth should be determined and socially conscious and truly involved.

Our first experience of the rally was something very different and new. After completing the rally, we boarded the buses and reached school.

We thank our Principal, Sr. Deepa for giving us an opportunity to participate in this rally. We are grateful to our teachers for inspiring and encouraging us as they accompanied us in this rally.

I am reminded of a poem by La Fontaine. -

Little things are indeed little,  
but to be faithful to a  
little thing is a big thing.  
Big changes can only come  
when we start having good  
feelings about our fellowmen.

Anvita Ranjan - IX A

*Bye Bye...*

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Class XII - A (Commerce)



Class XII - B (Science)