

Maharaja Yadavindra Singh of Patiala 1913 - 1974



### **School Motto**

Vidya : Education What sculpture is to a block of marble, education is to the human soul

- Addison

Vinay : Humility The wiser you are, the more you realize how little you actually know

- Socrates

Veerta : Courage Courage is not simply one of the virtues but the form of every virtue at the testing point

- C.S. Lewis

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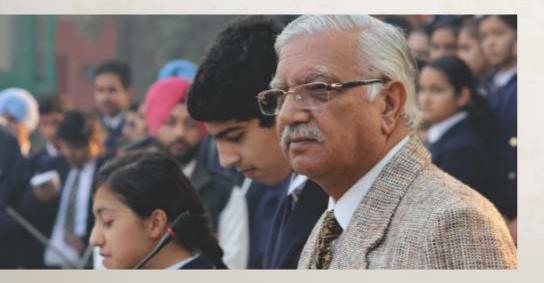
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Farewell Class XII

Farewell Class X Bidding Adieu

### □ PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



After six years in YPS Patiala, and four years with an International IB school in Bali, Indonesia, I am extremely delighted to be back and to be a part of the YPS community again. YPS Mohali has dedicated and talented staff and students, and together the YPS family can only grow from strength to strength. I am overwhelmed and honoured by the support I have received from the parents, students and staff. This is a time for change for everyone and for me as well.

MUNs, Treks, the annual play 'Anne of Green Gables', Sports Day, Debates...all this and more recorded in the pages of this edition of the yearbook. The Editorial team has done a wonderful job bringing out the yearbook for 2013. This is a book of memories...of the written word, and of visuals which will bring comfort, solace and happiness in the years to come.

Schools are often regarded as places where teachers teach and students learn, and yet we know that education is so much more than that. Though it is important for students to achieve high academic standards, it is more important to provide a happy environment with extra–curricular activities which help the students to adapt comfortably in today's fast changing world. We want our

students to be versatile and lead a rich, fulfilling life and help to create a better and more peaceful world.

At YPS Mohali, the students have participated in a variety of extra and co-curricular activities in and out of the campus throughout the year. A first was the visit to Aitchison College, Lahore where the teams did the school proud by winning prizes at the MUN (Model United Nations) and the Business Enclave and being adjudged the Best International Team in both the competitions.

YPS also welcomed Harold, a student from Estonia as part of the YFU programme. Three of our boys will be going to Germany and Switzerland in 2014 as part of the exchange programme.

I look forward to 2014 with great optimism.

The Yadavindrian is a book of memories...of the written word, and of visuals which will bring comfort, solace and happiness in the years to come.

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I was all of five years and five months when I joined YPS, notorious for blabbering all through my admission interview in Hindi and not knowing a word of English, writing being far away. And here I am before you today, Editor-in-Chief of the school publications. Ironic, this fact speaks volumes of what YPS can do to a person.

I hadn't realised my time in school was almost over till I was told to

write this editorial. It is said to be an emotional task, writing one final piece, and difficult, trying to summarise in a few words a goodbye after 12 years. From being sent to the Headmistress for not doing my homework to representing my school in another country, it's been one wonderful journey.

This final year for my classmates and I started with the Fete and

Founders' Day, and we were kept busy throughout the year with various Inter-House activities. These competitions displayed the abilities of Yadavindrians and kept the school on its toes. The Athletic Meet was deservedly won by Patiala House while Tagore House had the honor of lifting the Cross Country Cup.

A team from the school went to Aitchison College, Lahore, for a Mock United Nation (MUN) meet. Congratulations to them for winning the award for 'Best International Delegation'.

To my fellow Yadavindrians, I wish you the best in life. Just believe in yourself, and seize the moment. Carpe diem! To all the staff, I thank you for making me what I am, for you transformed a blissfully ignorant five-year-old to a confident 17-yearold. A big thanks to my batch mates, the Prefects Council and the editorial team, I'm sure the ones who succeed us will make us proud.

I leave you with a quote authored by me! "If you can't convince them, or confuse them, just amuse them" (just what I've been doing for the last 12 years).

Confident that we've made a difference, a salute from the batch of 2014!

Madhav Pubby Editor-in-Chief

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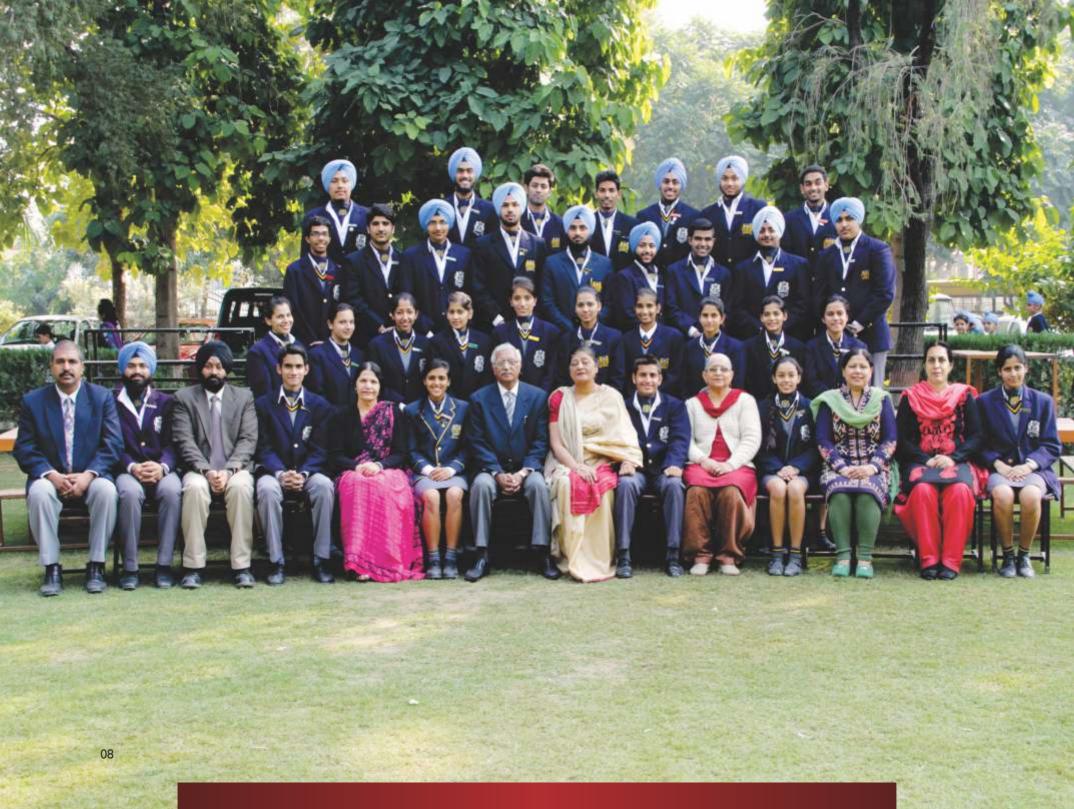
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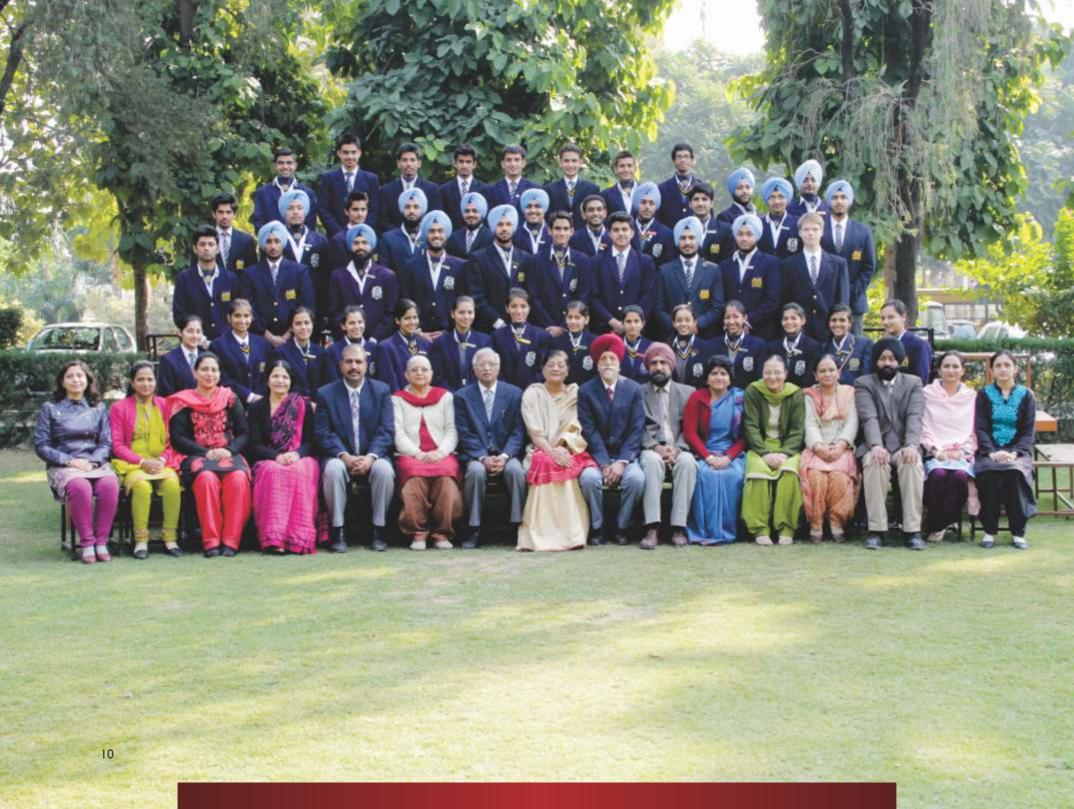
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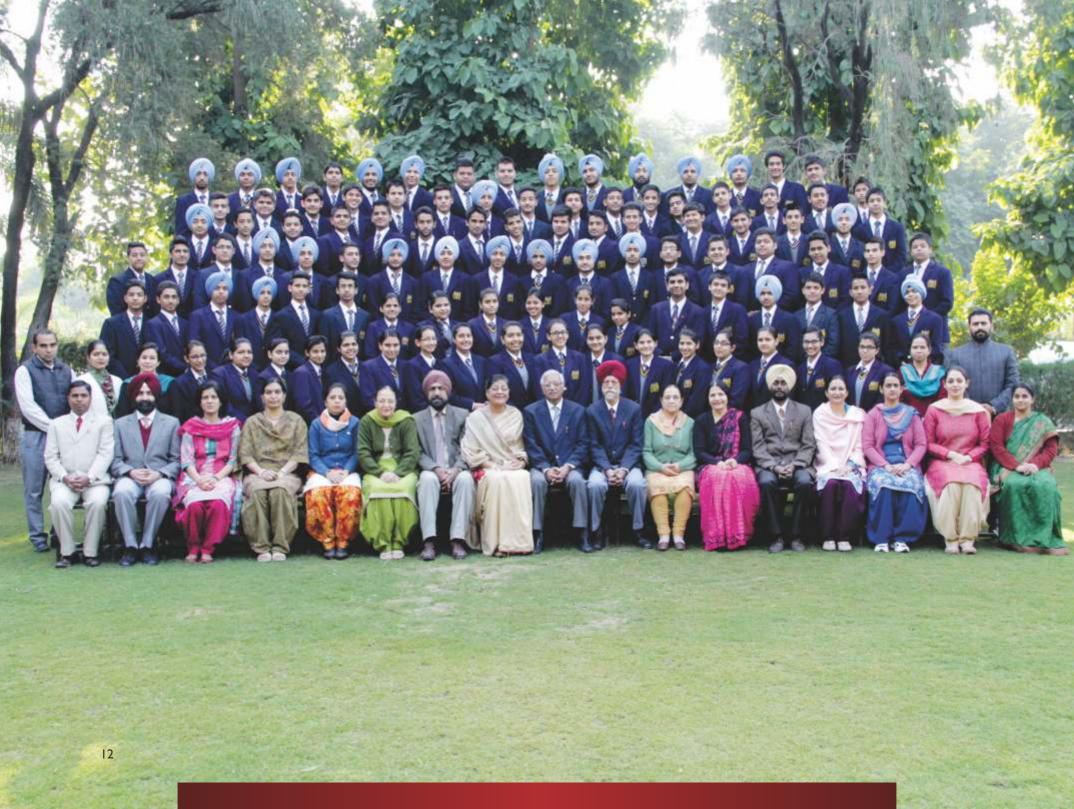
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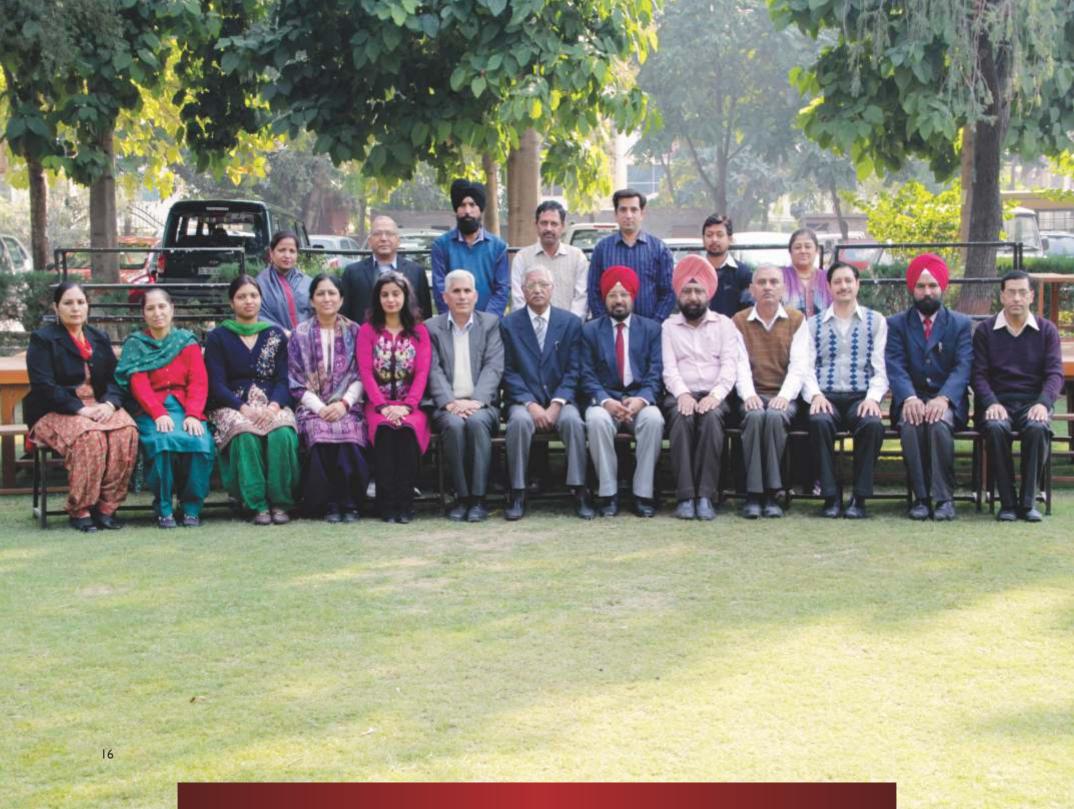
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## □ INVESTITURE CEREMONY

On January 17, the entire Senior School and Classes IV and V of the Junior School assembled in the Gym Hall for the Investiture Ceremony, a day when the new Prefects' Council are conferred with the symbols of the power and the responsibility they were taking on.

The ceremony started off with a song from the school choir. This was followed by Chirag Veer Teja, the outgoing Head Boy, carrying the schools colours proudly as he led the Prefects' Council of 2012 onto the stage. The Prefects' Council for 2013 was then called on stage and received the flags, and the charge of leading the student body with honour, dedication and compassion in a deeply moving ceremony that stirred the hearts of all present. The Principal then gave a short speech and awarded the new appointments with their badges, emblems and cravats.

The new council took their oath, accepting their responsibility and promising to uphold the honour bestowed on them. The new Head Boy Navraj Singh, Head Girl Taarini Ravjit, and Deputy Head Girl Priya Kaur Ahluwalia then honoured the outgoing Class XII by giving witty descriptions of each of them as they went up to the stage to receive their mementoes from the Principal and their Class Teachers.

#### SCHOOL PREFECT COUNCIL 2013

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Head Girl	Taarini Ravjit
Deputy Head Boy	Arjun Ram Singh Dhaliwal
Deputy Head Girl	Priya Ahluwalia
Sports Captain (Boys)	Amandeep Singh Sobti
Sports Captain (Girls)	Simrata Kaur Grewal
Boarding House Captain	Talwinder Singh
Boarding House Prefect (Ajit House)	Mandeep
<b>Boarding House Prefect</b> (Chandragupta House)	Amitaj Singh Bhinder
Co-Curricular Captain (Boys)	Bikramjit Singh Suri
Co-Curricular Captain (Girls)	Jasmine Kaur Narang
Co-Curricular Prefect (Music)	Nikita M. Charan
Co-Curricular Prefect (Environment)	Garima Pandey
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Captain (Boys)	Shubh Karman Singh Sandhu
Captain (Girls)	Anmol Dosanjh
Prefects	Angatveer Singh, Amandeep Kaur Benipa
Nalagarh House	
Captain (Boys)	Yuvraj Singh
Captain (Girls)	Amanat Dhiman
Prefects	Shaanpreet Singh Bhatti, Ravtesh Kaur
Patiala House	
Captain (Boys)	Amar Singh Sekhon
Captain (Girls)	Gurneet Aujla
Prefects	Uday Singh Brar, Harman Singh Bawa
Ranjit House	
Captain (Boys)	Sumeet Singh Dhillon
Captain (Girls)	Vrindha Talwar
Prefects	Ashish Pal Singh, Karan Singh
Tagore House	
Captain (Boys)	Siddhartha Yaddanapudi
Captain (Girls)	Anya Gupta
Prefects	Madhav Pubby, Harmanpreet Singh

### **XXXIV** FOUNDER'S DAY



YPS celebrated its 34th Founders Day on April 9, 2013, with great enthusiasm. The celebrations started with the Academic Procession led by the Principal, Mr R P Devgan. The occasion was made solemn by the school choir rendering a soul-stirring 'shabad'. This was followed by the presentation of reports by the Student Council on the past year's achievements and activities in the School. The Junior School Head Boy, Chandan Kler, and the Head Girl, Bismanjot Kaur, presented the Junior School report. They were followed by the School Head Boy, Navraj Singh Saini, and the Head Girl, Taarini Ravjit, who presented the Academic report. The Deputy Head Boy, Arjun Ram Singh Dhaliwal, and the Deputy Head Girl, Priya Ahluwalia, presented the Boarding House and Social Service reports. Bikramjeet Suri and Jasmine Narang, Co-Curricular Captains, highlighted the co-curricular achievements of the School. Amandeep Singh Sobti and Simrata Grewal, Sports Captains, gave a vivid account of sports in the year 2012 at YPS.

The Prize Distribution Ceremony followed, with prizes being awarded for academics and co-curricular activities as well as sports colours. House trophies were also presented, with Patiala House winning the Cock House Trophy. The Chief Guest on the occasion was Mr Abhinav Bindra, India's first Olympic gold medallist in an individual sport. In his address to the gathering he said, "I believe three things, if followed systematically, will lead to victory: passion, hard work and belief in yourself." But even more important, he said, was 'learning to lose'. "When you lose, you can always identify what problems you need to work on, and come back with renewed vigour."

A variety entertainment programme was presented by the students. The children in the Hindustani orchestra rendered a Sarasvati Vandana, accompanied by musical instruments ranging from the harmonium to xylophone. A Western Music Orchestra too delighted the audience. Junior School students presented a much-applauded dance performance. The final act was a short play based on Vikram Seth's 'The Elephant and the Tragopan'.

The performances and presentations were greatly

appreciated by the audience who were delighted to have been witness to the huge talent that YPS had to offer.













#### The Founders Day Exhibition "Water brought to life"

The Founders Day was used as an opportunity to revive the tradition of holding exhibitions of students' work. Corridors and classrooms of the school came alive with a kaleidoscope of colourful exhibits on the theme 'Water — The Need of Today's World'. Each department put up its own projects.

The English Department narrated a collection of poems on the beauty of water, ranging from works by Romantics such as Tennyson to modern poets like Vikram Seth. The students recited the poems with emotions that brought out the true spirit of the beautiful verses.

The Hindi Department laid particular emphasis on the holiest of rivers, the Ganga. They not only lamented the loss of its sanctity but also displayed many models showing the river's polluted state. The Punjabi Department explained the importance of "punj aab", or the five waters of Punjab, and conveyed the importance of keeping them clean and pollution-free through a variety of charts and models.

The Fine Arts Department showcased a roomful of paintings and photographs created and clicked by budding artists of YPS. The centrepiece of their exhibition was a spectacular piece of installation art that represented people's desperate need for water.

The Mathematics Department had children create innovative working models and demonstrations that showed how essential maths was to daily life and how to simplify life using the knowledge.

The Hobbies Department showcased work done by students and teachers with various interests. The room was packed with parents and visitors lined up to check out the handicrafts, paintings, ceramics and even baked cakes on display. The History Department through elaborate displays showed the importance of rivers as being the cradles of civilisation. The Egyptian Civilisation was innovatively depicted.

The Geography Department had a wonderful model of the upcoming dam on the river Ravi. They also had various charts explaining the course of a river, and the functioning of a waterworks department among other things.

The students of the Learning Centre made a lovely presentation on water conservation. They also made drawings and paintings related to the theme.

The Biology Department made a small-scale representation on biomagnification. An aquarium with colourful fish and a handmade microscope were the other attractions.

The Chemistry Department depicted the pollution caused by

chemical industries and suggested remedial measures. They even showed the workings of a waterworks plant.

The Physics Department pulled crowds as their displays demonstrated hands-on fun with physics, from the working of a dam to propeller-boats and hydraulic lifts.

The commerce students presented a water audit, revealing how much water (as well as money) can be saved simply by keeping a check on small problems like tiny leaks here and there. The eye-catching display of taps and banners was well received.

The Psychology Department focused on water-related phobias, how they develop and are treated using a desensitisation process.

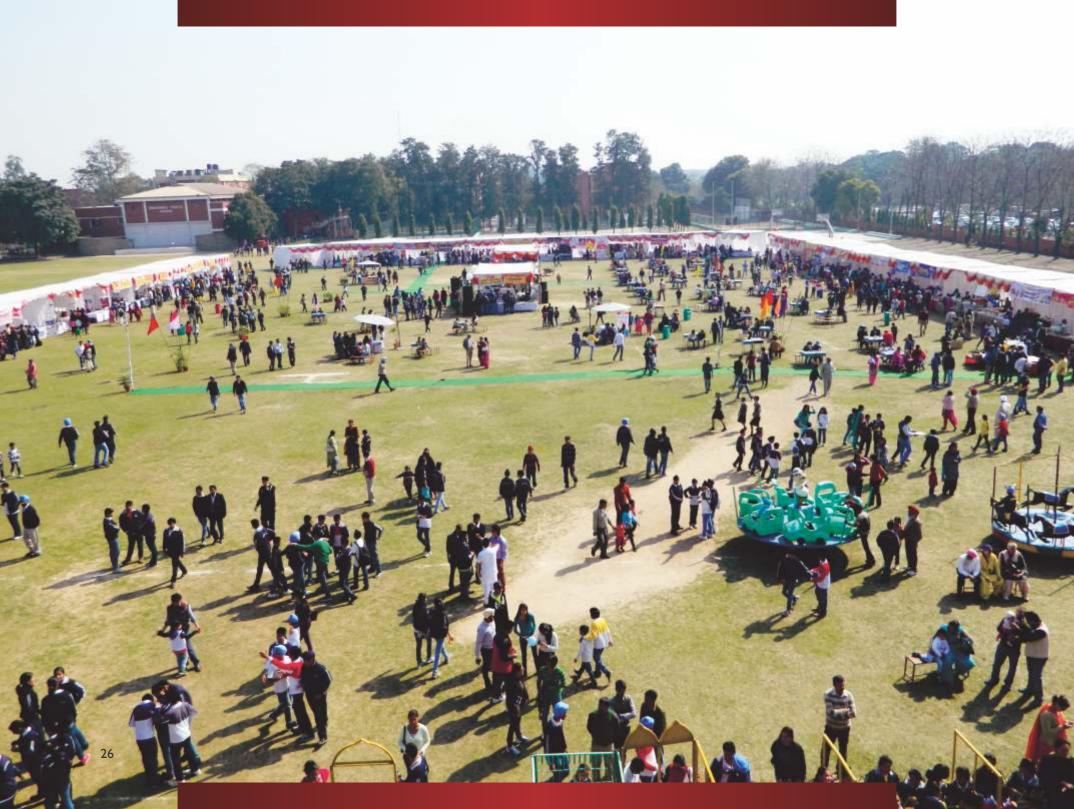
The Trekking Exhibition attracted a lot of attention with children presenting a live demonstration of roughing it out in the wild, from camping to river-crossing. Visitors were enthralled by the makeshift cooking equipment that was used to produce delicious food.











### □ YPS XTRAVAGANZA

The YPS Xtravaganza, our school's annual fête, was held on February 9-10. In addition to many stalls spread across the grounds, there were plenty of rides for students and visitors to enjoy. The most popular, as usual, was the Columbus, closely followed by the Ferris Wheel and the Break-Dance rides. But equally attractive were the stalls, with the one-minute games and face-painting stalls perpetually crowded. For those who preferred something less active, there was a whole row of food stalls too, with Subway, Domino's and Baskin-Robbins all present. Not to be outdone were the YPS food stall and Paul's Kitchen. The Jam Session was packed at all times with children grooving to the beat of popular songs. Despite Valentine's Day being four days away, the Request Stall was flooded with rose and chocolate requests, with many young ones expressing their hearts' feelings through music.

On Sunday, we were delighted to welcome the students of Punjab Public School, Nabha, to our fête for the first time. They too were thrilled to be part of the festivities. The weekend ended with the Raffle draw. One of our boarders went home with a Dell laptop after drawing the lucky ticket. Even after two days, everybody wanted the fête to go on.





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#### **Republic Day**

On January 26, 2013, Republic Day celebrations were held in the school. The celebrations started with the flag-hoisting ceremony by the Principal, Mr R P Devgan, with the National Anthem being sung in the background. The Principal gave a speech in which he elaborated on true meaning of being a Republic, and what we are required to do for the country as its citizens. Taarini Ravjit, the Head Girl, gave a speech, stressing on how India has all it takes to be a great nation and why we should be proud to be its citizens. Priya Ahluwalia, the Deputy Head Girl, followed this up by talking about our duties as citizens and also recited the National Pledge. An individual song, 'Pukar', was sung by Mrs Manjit Dhyani, the Kindergarten music teacher. The choirs from the Senior and Junior Wings of the school presented patriotic songs. The function ended with special

snacks being distributed among the children.

#### **Independence Day**

On August 15, 2013, as the sky thundered and opened up to let down torrents of rain, it was as if the Gods themselves had joined us in celebrating this, our 67th year of independence. Students of Classes IV-XII were seated in the Gym Hall for the celebrations.

The celebrations started with the Flag Hoisting ceremony by the Principal, Mr R P Devgan, with the National Anthem playing in the background. This was followed by a speech given by Taarini Ravjit, the School Head Girl, who emphasised that change, though difficult, is necessary, and it must begin with us. Following this the Junior School presented a patriotic song "Yeh hai hamara Hindustan". Girls from the Senior Wing of the school then performed a semi-classical dance on the song "Satyamev Jayate". Sukhan Preet Rangi and Jaisveen Kaur, accompanied by the Senior School choir presented the patriotic songs, "Ae mere wattan ke logo" and "Dil diya hai jaan bhi denge". This was followed by a speech by the Principal, where he emphasised that each one of us has a responsibility, and we must remain true to ourselves and to our nation.





## □ KINDERGARTEN REPORT

#### **Academic Report**

Interactive techniques of teaching are used at the kindergarten to make learning more joyful and productive. Rich opportunities are provided to the children to enable them to explore and experiment. This process helps discover new ideas and skills. Our self designed curriculum is structured around four key elements of development. These are cerebral, physical, psychological and social. Besides academics, co-curricular activities are also an integral part of our curriculum.

Circle time is a regular classroom activity through which the teacher and children share ideas and views on a topic chosen for the day. It is a highly rewarding interactive session.

The Kindergarten has ventured into the world of e-learning. E-blocks, a multi-sensory learning approach, has been put into use. The children learn with pictures, music, animation and games that encourage collaborative work and makes learning an interactive experience.

#### **Talent Showcase**

The 9th Annual Song, Rhyme and Dance Day was held on 29 October, 2013. The audience was enthralled by the melodious show put up by the children.

The Busy Hands exhibition, which marks the culmination of the art and craft activities by the little minds, was held on 13 December, 2013.

Activities done around each festival adorned the display panels, as did cut-outs of animals, vegetables, fruits and flowers related to the sounds and topics taught.

Children displayed their creative talents by making beautiful and

innovative articles from waste materials. The walk through the Kindergarten corridors was a treat for the eyes of the proud parents.

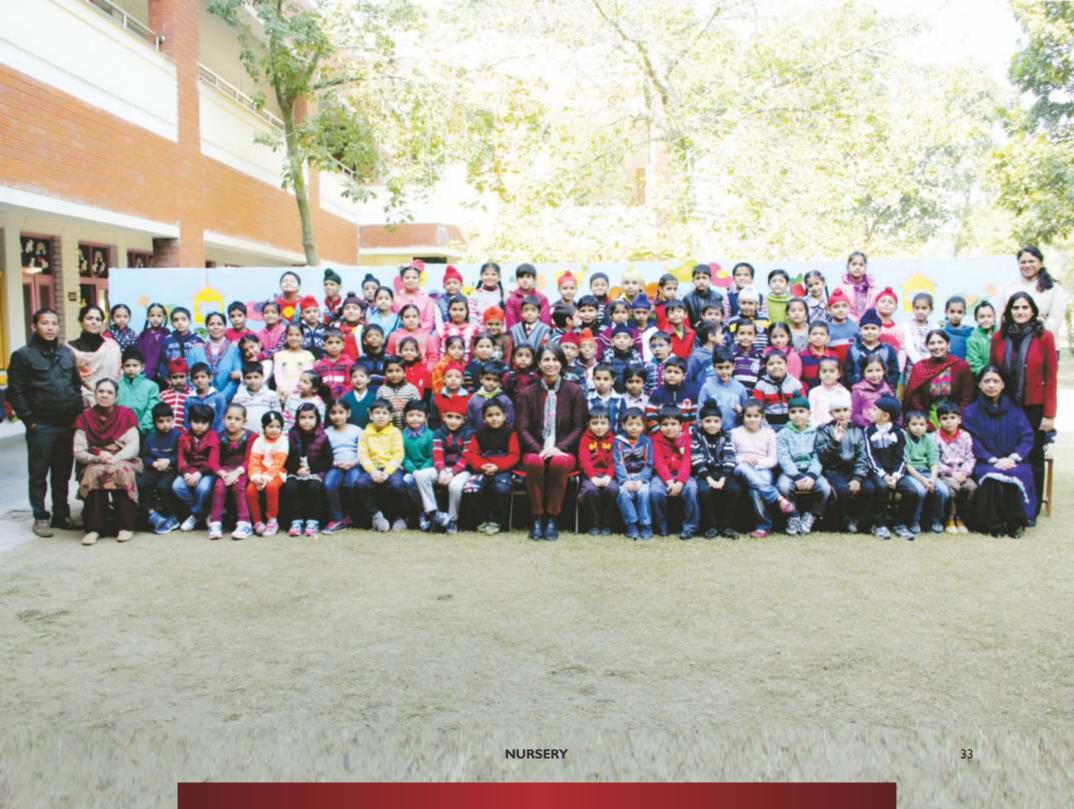
#### **Co-curricular Activities**

Co-curricular activities enhance social interaction, leadership, healthy recreation, self-discipline and self-confidence. Activities like music, art and craft form an integral part of the curriculum. Regular aerobics keep the tiny tots physically active and foster the qualities of cooperation and team spirit.

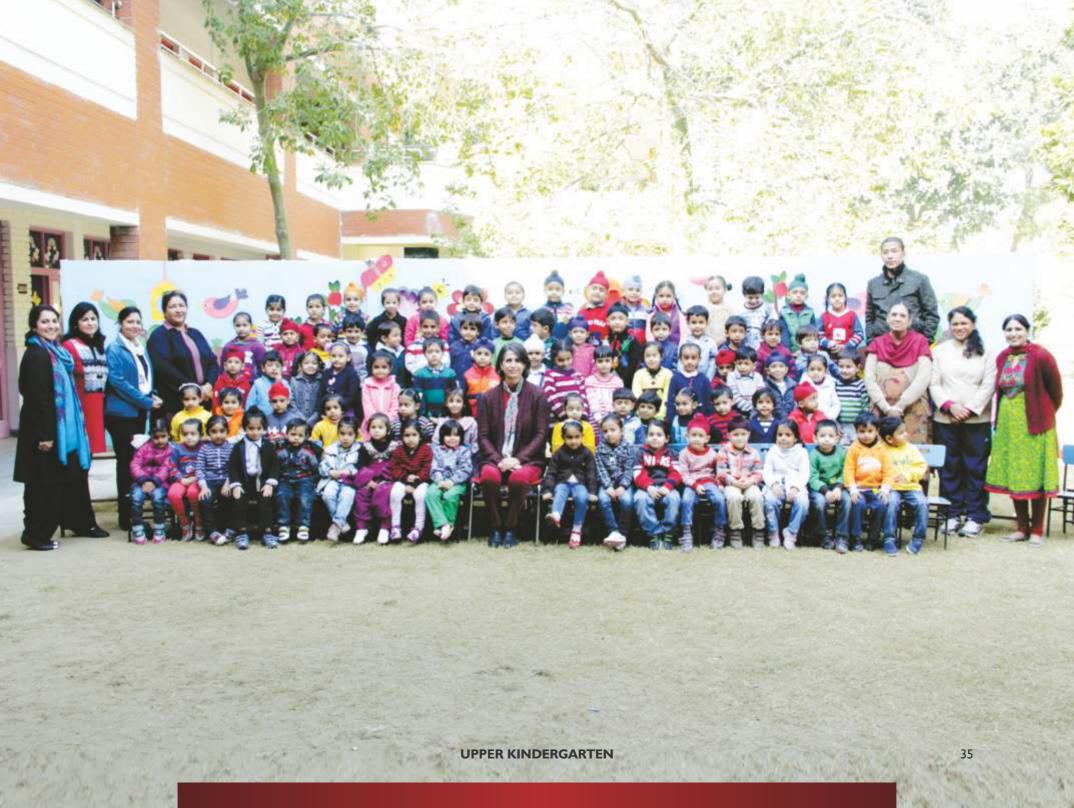














# **JUNIOR** SCHOOL REPORT

Life in the Junior School at YPS is "never a dull moment, never a lull!" To unearth the storehouse of talent, the young Yadavindrians were provided with a range of opportunities, conforming to the adage "Children must be taught how to think, not what to think." (Margaret Mead).

#### **Academic Report**

Developing young minds and encouraging learning, Circle Time was conducted, where teacher and the taught shared their views on chosen topics.

Spelling Bee, an activity to enhance the spelling power of the little ones, was organised for all classes. English and Punjabi calligraphy was also conducted for all classes.

To complement the growth of writing together with effective verbal skills, the students were trained to enjoy the rhythm, rhyme and music of poetry in all the three languages in the form of poetry recitation competitions.

The 'Word Wall' and 'Appreciation Tree' displayed in classrooms continued to motivate the students. 'Word Wall' gave the students the exposure to new words across the syllabus. 'Appreciation Tree' encouraged the students to come forth and display their compassion, generosity and views.

'Drop Everything And Read (DEAR)', where everyone read something of their choice for 15 minutes, was incorporated into the Time Table and was a roaring success. It sure is a step towards honing the reading skills of students and instilling a love for books as we saw enthusiastic children with new titles every now and then. English – To cultivate the students' listening and speaking skills, a number of exercises were incorporated. These exercises enabled the children to interact confidently in English. To enrich their story time, the students were encouraged to choose from a number of listed titles and make finger puppets based on the characters of the story. The introduction of 'E-Blocks', an innovative English learning method, saw them learning the nuances of phonetics.

The Learning of **Mathematics** was activity based and involved students' participation to make it more interesting. This year Tata Class Edge was introduced to take students a step higher in concept strengthening and recapitulation. The activity notebook in classes IV and V helped the children enhance their creativity and come up with





innovative ideas in the application of Maths in day-to-day situations.

**Punjabi**, the mother tongue of most students, is an integral part of the curriculum. The knowledge of the language makes children aware of their cultural and historical heritage. The addition of new Punjabi books this year helped them to experience the richness of the language. Poetry recitation formed an integral part of the syllabus too.

While teaching **Science**, the aim is to sensitise the children towards the

environment. The setting up of the 'Discovery Room' with Tata Class Edge is another addition YPS is proud of. The children look forward to their visits to the Discovery Room as learning has become fun. They thoroughly enjoy the hands-on experience there. An excursion to the P N Mehra's Botanical Garden in Panjab University was organised by the Science faculty for the children to observe the rare plants on display there and appreciate Nature's bounty. An annual science project on the theme 'Green Zone' was



displayed by the students. While teaching Social Studies, an earnest effort was made to make the subject more interesting by using effective teaching aids, such as Venn diagrams, word web, quizzes, etc. To fulfil the visual perspective, Tata Class Edge was extensively used and the Discovery Room provided the ideal setup for brainstorming on various topics. To develop an understanding based on observation and illustration, a trip to Bhakra Nangal Dam was organised for Class V. It was a valuable and an enjoyable experience for the children which also helped them in the project display "Multipurpose Projects in India".

**Hindi** as a language is given equal importance as it is the National language and is also useful in understanding our culture. Written and oral skills are enhanced by effective classroom teaching, calligraphy and poetry recitation

### **Infrastructural Changes**

YPS has undergone a series of infrastructural changes in the past year. The Junior school building has been extended to accommodate a bigger and more spacious Dance Room, an Art and Craft Room, a Discovery Room and a Theatre Room. These additions will definitely provide a wider scope for the development of skills among students. The Junior School Library too has got a facelift with the set-up of vibrant child-friendly furniture and new titles added. Our school has taken a quantum leap in imparting high quality instruction by integrating latest technology with classroom teaching. For effective use of interactive multimedia. Tata Class One Smartboards have been set up on

each floor of the Junior School

building and E-blocks have been

introduced for teaching English and

by phonetics, both in the Library and the Learning Centre of the Junior school. Both these initiatives have evoked a positive response from the students.

#### **Special Achievers**

- Ebrahim Hassan Sofi, of Class IV-T, participated in Speed Star-2 for 60 Metres, held at Tau Devi Lal Stadium, Panchkula. He secured the 2nd Position in the U-10 (Boys) category.
- II. Sehaj Kaur Tiwana, of Class IV-O, participated in Speed Star-2 for 60 Metres, held at Tau Devi Lal Stadium, Panchkula. She secured the 2nd position in the U-10 (Girls) category.
- III. Sehar Kiran Kaur, of Class V-E, participated in the Speed Star-2 for 100 metres, held at Tau Devi Lal Stadium, Panchkula. She secured the 3rd Position in the U-12 (Girls) category.
- IV. Shreya Singla of Class V-S participated in the CLTA Tennis Tournament in the U-10 category and won the trophy.
- V. Sidharth Goel was declared the Runner's-up for the AITA Talent Series.

### Music (Piano)

The following students have successfully cleared the grades for

Piano at the Triniti Guildhall, London.

- I. Kabir Singh Bal, III-N Grade III. Parul Srivastava, III-N Grade II
- III. Ishroop K Sandhu, V-S Grade II
- IV. Joshvir S Narula, V-O Grade III

### Western Music

Music is a language understood by all. It occupies an important part of the school curriculum at YPS. The morning assembly is incomplete without the melodious singing and echo of music in the air. Music classes, with proper training and vocal exercises, enhance the singing skills of students.

Thematic Assemblies for Classes I, II and III in the first term were based on different values in which music and songs were at the hub. To mark Good Friday and Easter Sunday, a Special Assembly was conducted where the Western Music Choir performed a song 'Thine is the glory.' During the Annual Founders Day celebrations, the Junior School performed a song 'Free to Fly' which talked about freedom and independence, much to the appreciation of the audience. The students of the Junior School danced on Vivaldi's Four Seasons, beautifully choreographed by the Dance and Theatre teachers. The academic session ended with carol singing as part of the Christmas celebrations.

#### Indian Music

It is said that music is a universal medium to express and understand all human emotions. At YPS, music is used to teach children the sense and power of rhythm, the feelings behind words, and the expression of thought that comes with rhyme. During the Indian Music Class, children learnt the 'sargam' and numerous melodious songs that set the tone for the day. Classes I, II and III learnt many songs that lent a special flavour to their Thematic Assemblies, Melodious renditions like 'Milke Chalo', 'Jungle Mein Ek Sher' and 'Aadi Manav' added a special touch. The Special

Assemblies held in school were

peppered with various patriotic,

religious and foot-tapping songs

which were enjoyed by one and all.











INDIAN WESTERN MUSIC







# Annual Visual and Performing Arts Exhibition

The children of Classes IV and V took up one out of the eleven hobbies offered this academic year and worked throughout the year to hone their skills.

An enthralling solo performance on the synthesiser by Kriti Sharma of the Western Hobby Group was followed by a melodious rendition of the inspiring song 'I want to Fly' by the Western Music Choir. The children who had taken Indian Music as a hobby gave a captivating orchestra performance based on 'Raag Bilawal.' The orchestra had children skillfully playing on the banjo, tambourine, tabla, maracas and the xylophone. The students also sang the song 'Saat Swar' comprising the seven notes of Indian Classical Music.

The children of the Theatre hobby group delivered a hard-hitting performance titled 'Koi Baat Nahin'. The play successfully drove home the message that at times, parents unwittingly pass on undesirable traits

to children when they exhibit unwarranted behavior in the presence of their children. The girls in the Indian Folk Dance hobby group presented a mesmerising performance on Sant Tulsidas's bhajan 'Thumak Chalat Ram Chandra.' and a foot-tapping performance on the dance form 'luddi'. Not to be left behind, the boys of the bhangra hobby group had the audience clapping and tapping to the beats and energy of the young enthusiastic performers. The French language group greeted the visitors with a cheerful 'Bonjour Madame' and 'Bonjour Monsieur'. Colourful charts showing food items and information about the culture of France were displayed. The junior chefs of the 'Kids Snax' hobby group prepared mouth watering salads, sandwiches, drinks, and a variety of desserts. All the preparations were flameless, keeping the safety of children in mind. Some of the cooking lessons were imparted to the students by Chef 'Dr. Matharu of 'Masterchef'

fame.

The children who learnt Clay Modeling and Pottery created a lifelike wildlife sanctuary called the YPS Sanctuary. The sanctuary had on display clay figurines of birds, wild animals, huts and pots of varied shapes and sizes.

The corridor of the Junior Wing were adorned with the breathtakingly beautiful handicraft items. The theme of the display was 'Reduce, Reuse, Recycle'. Used bottles, discarded CDs transformed into an amazing array of useful and exquisite things like lanterns, handbags, vases, slippers and decoration pieces.

Not to be left behind, the children in the Painting Hobby group put forth a fascinating display of their work. Designs made on aprons with fabric, hand-painted handkerchiefs with lace edgings, block-printed shopping bags and tie-and-dye items were exhibited.

### **Art and Craft**

Children of Classes I, II and III incorporated their work of Art & Craft in the Special Assemblies and thematic shows put up by them. During craft lessons, various interesting artifacts were created by using plaster of paris, corrugated sheets, waste boxes, technique of paper mache, etc. Children learnt different styles of art, like marble and blow painting, block-printing etc. Students of Classes I-V graduated to draw on specific themes and topics like celebrations of various festivals, everyday life such as portraits, transport, fantasies, buildings etc. The display of these was a visual delight at the Annual Art and Craft Exhibition. The end of the session brought the most awaited event of the year-the Art Competitionwhere the entire Junior School, including teachers and helpers participated. The joy of dabbling in colours, expressing oneself through art, and simply letting go, could be seen on all faces, young and old alike.

#### Computers

The year 2013 was a fulfilling year for our young IT Wizards.

From learning how to handle the mouse and the keyboard in Class I, the students graduated to making PowerPoint presentations in Class V. The Cyber Olympiad was conducted on December 4, 2013 in the Junior School where 241 students participated. Dakshmeet and Parul Srivastava, both of Class III, brought laurels to the school by securing the 1st and 9th rank at the National and Olympiad Level respectively.

#### Dance

Dance provides a wonderful opportunity to the students to express their emotions using synchronised movements of hands and feet, and the body as a whole. This year, the Dance classes began with the basics of Kathak which were incorporated in various dance performances that took place throughout the year. The students gave special presentations for festivals and Thematic Assemblies. The allocation of a much-needed Dance Room, with a Home-Theatre, has been a welcome addition.



















The year concluded with a mesmerising Kathak performance by the girls of the Dance Hobby on 'Thumak Chalat Ram Chandar', a bhajan by Sant Tulsidas, during the Visual and Performing Arts Exhibition.

# **Hobbies**

Hobbies provide an opportunity to the students to explore their hidden talents. According to their individual interest, students were encouraged to take up one of the many hobbies offered in the year 2013. These included:

- □ Theatre
- □ Clay Modeling and Pottery
- Painting and Handicraft
- □ Kidz Snacks
- □ French Language
- Music-Indian and Western
- Dance-Classical and Folk

# **Special Assemblies**

Conforming to the holistic approach towards learning at YPS, thematic assemblies were staged by students of Classes I, II and III. The themes of 'Friendship', 'The Three Little Pigs' and 'The Discovery' engaged attention on many a morning. Apart from being educative and informative, they provided a platform to each child to shed his/her inhibitions, come onstage and perform, much to the joy of the parents and grandparents.

# Library

The YPS Junior School Library is not only a haven for booklovers but also houses the activity area and Smart Board using Tata Class Edge. In the past year, E Blocks, an innovative method to teach English and introduce phonetics to children, have been added to the Library. With approximately 500 books added this year, the Library now has a collection of over 8000 books. Completely revamped with new colourful furniture for the activity and the reading area, it is a fun place to spend time for youngsters. Book review activities, story-writing exercises, storytelling and vocabulary enrichment exercises were conducted for various classes during library lessons this year.







# Theatre

Theatre, for YPS, is an art form that sharpens a child's kinesthetic skills, artistic development (emotional quotient), thinking skills and interpersonal as well as intra-personal skills. During Theatre classes, children from Classes I to IV graduate from being introduced to improvisation on various situations, to group discussions, to nuances of storytelling. In Class V the students

spend a better part of the year gearing for the Annual Play production by putting all their learning from theatre classes to use.









# The Junior School Annual Play "The Wizard of OZ"

Young Yadvindrians of Class V enthralled the audience with their talent by staging the Wizard of Oz on October 25, 2013, at the Tagore Theatre.

The play, based on the children's novel by L. Frank Baum, was written in 1900. The story was modified by the director and teachers to make it more meaningful to a child's life in today's competitive world.

The idea behind selecting this particular story as the theme was to make children aware of the fallout of self-doubt that can overshadow invaluable virtues of intelligence, care, courage, and belief in the self. These values are fundamental in achieving milestones in the journey called life.

The play was directed by Mr Vijay Kumar Machal, and Ms Harsimrat Chahal. The colourful dances were beautifully choreographed by Ms. Renu Pant, while music by Ms. Kwi Suk Kang and Mr. Seyiekhrienyu Usos enthralled all. The Art Department, along with the rest of the teachers transformed the stage into the mystical Land of Oz and the beautifully designed costumes added to the realism of the performance by the students.

The entire class V participated in this production. The star cast of the play included Zea Gill (Dorothy), Joshvir Narula (Toto), Chris Jagga (Scarecrow), Sameep Cheema (Tinman), Chandan Kler (Lion), Sitanshu Kaloti (Wizard of Oz), Ishroop Sandhu, Shreya Singla and Agampreet Chahal (Witches). The students of Class V devoted many hours of hard labour to put up this spectacular show. Their spontaneity, carefree expression and their total lack of self-consciousness made their performance very special and a big learning experience for these budding actors.













# **Co-Curricular Report**

At YPS, there are a large number of activities listed for the students throughout the year which help them in adding a different facet to their personality and enables them to think out of the box.

Date	Event	Prize Winners
February 6	Kite Flying Activity	
March I	Shoe Lace Tying for Classes I & II	
March 14	Inter-House English Poetry Recitation Competition	Joshvir Narula V-O (Aitchison), Zea Gill
	for Classes IV & V	V-S (Nalagarh), Ishroop Kaur V-S (Aitchison)
April 15	Punjabi Calligraphy for Classes II-V	
April 16	Spelling Bee for Classes II-V	
April 17	English Calligraphy for Classes II-V	
	General Knowledge Quiz for Classes II-V	
April 30	English Poetry Recitation Competition Class III	Parul Srivastava III-N, Natasha Singh III-S
		Baltej Singh III-O
May 23	Inter-Section Hindi Poetry Recitation	Class III-E,O,N; Class IV-S,T,E
		Class V-S,N,O
August 10	Inter-House Punjabi Poetry Recitation Compeition	Ranmeekjot Kaur (Aitchison V-E),
	for Class IV & V	Joshvir Narula (Aitchison V-O),
		Shubreet Kaur (Nalagarh IV-E)
September 7	IPSC General Knowledge Competition for	Piyush Dhyani (IV-S)
	Classes IV & V	Suhel Randhawa (V-T)
October 17	Inter-Section Punjabi Poetry Recitation for Class III	III-O & N; III-S; III-E
November 7	Rangoli Making	
December 16	Painting Activity for Classes I-V & Staff Members	
December 16	Inter-House English Poetry Recitation Competition	Piyush Dhyani IV-S (Nalagarh), Divroop Kaur
	for Class IV & V	IV-O (Aitchison), Chris Jagga V-S (Tagore)
December 17	Inter-House Punjabi Poetry Recitation Competition	Ekjot Kaur V-S (Aitchison)
	for Classes IV & V	Agampreet Kaur V-S (Tagore)
		Ishroop Sandhu V-S (Aitchison)

# **Sports Report**

"Physical well-being lays the foundation for intellectual endurance" a dictum which is practised at YPS at all times.

Sport plays a vital role in moulding students' lives. It shapes them physically and mentally. In tandem with this ideology, sports are compulsory at YPS, and every child plays under the guidance of professional coaches.

The year 2013 kickstarted with the Inter-House Athletic Meet from February 18-23, 2013.

The best athletes were:

# Class IV Boys: Ebrahim Hassan Sofi IV-E (Tagore House)

Girls:	Sehaj Kaur Tiwana IV-O
	(Nalagarh House)

#### **Class V**

Boys: Gurucharan Singh V-O (Aitchison House) Girls: Saanvi Chaudhary V-E (Ranjit House)

The Inter-Section Athletic Meet for Classes I, II and III was held from February 18-22, 2013. The best athletes from among these were:

#### Class I

Boys: Aarnav Mahajan, I-O Girls: Arshiya Surya, I-O Class II Boys: Sidhchintan, II-S Girls: Anahat, II-N Class III

Boys: Kaba Kunwar Singh, III-E

Girls: Asees Kaur, III-N The Inter-House Baseball league tournament for Classes IV and V (Boys and Girls) was held in the month of September, 2013. The Inter-Section Cricket league for Class III (Boys and Girls) was held in the month of April, 2013. The Inter-House Football league tournament for Classes IV and V

(Boys and Girls) was held in November, 2013. The Inter-Class Cross Country for

Classes IV and V (Boys and Girls) was held in November, 2013. The winners were as follow:

Class IV Boys: Garv Shingari IV-O Nitya Ahuja IV- N Aditya Vasisht IV-E Girls: Sehaj K. Tiwana IV-O Senona Singh IV-T Ramanreet Kaur IV-N

# Class V

Boys: Charanjot Singh V-S Abhiraj Singh V-S Gurucharan Singh V-O

Girls: Punnya J. Singh V-N Seharkiran Kaur V-E Ranmeekjot Kaur V-E















# SENIOR SCHOOL REPORT

### **Academic Report**

YPS has an academic programme that offers the best of both the worlds. Enriched teaching and sound scholarship designed to realise academic potential, is combined with a well-developed sports and co-curricular programme, to create individuals capable of dealing with the challenges of today's globalised world.

Character development is a strong focus at YPS, with a strong commitment to community service. Children are encouraged to become better human beings through value based teaching.

Discipline and a sense of brotherhood are developed through morning assemblies, which are held daily.

Learning has been taken to a whole new level with the introduction of smart classrooms through the Tata Class Edge system. A secure Wi-Fi network is now in place and will soon be integrated with Tata Class Edge.

In an attempt to reduce stress and make learning fun, project work was limited to the first term, thus leaving time for activity based learning. A renewed focus on spoken English saw the introduction of projects that encourage research through presentation rather than writing.

2013 was a good year, with Yadavindrians delivering good academic results and keeping up the school's reputation as one of the best in the Tricity.

In the ISC result 2013, Rhythm Singh Randhawa topped the Science stream with 80% marks, Tej Pratap Singh Juneja topped the Commerce stream with 85% and Simardeep Kaur topped the Humanities stream with 81.25%. A total of 51 students appeared for the ISC examinations, out of which 45 scored 60% and above.

Kajal Sharma of Class X topped the ICSE exam in YPS with 95.4% marks, Beeban Rai came second with 95.2%, followed closely by Baani Ahluwalia at 94.2%. A total of I 12 students appeared for the ICSE examinations this year, of which 109 scored a first division, with 20 students securing more than 90%.

16 children had the honour of receiving the Scholar's Tie, awarded to those who score above 85% in three consecutive years: VI, VII and VIII.

In the outbound educational programmes, 19 students appeared for the FITJEE examination, 150 students from classes VI to XII appeared for the Science Olympiad 2013, and 108 students appeared for the Cyber Olympiad, of which 5 have qualified for the second level. All students from Class VI to XII



Rhythm Singh Randhawa



Tej Pratap Singh Juneja



Simardeep Kaur



Kajal Sharma



appeared for the IPSC GK Test. The focus now is to set our minds to greater heights in pursuit of excellence and achievement.

#### Infrastructure Report

The year 2013 has been a year of change around the campus. The beautification and enhancement is seen at all levels, from the manicured lawns and landscaped areas around campus to the technical upgrade in all systems and structures.

Unused areas around the campus have been identified for beautification and have been planted with evergreen plants and seasonal flowers. All landscaping is oriented towards a healthy regard for the environment, using waste material to create water features and fencing. Sculptures by Mr Bapun, a renowned sculptor, are a new addition. They are representative of the spirit of the school with 'Nurture' shown through the 'Mother and Child' figure, 'Ode to Joy' showing the spirit of childhood, 'Joyful Abandon' through the trio of dancing children and 'Introspection' through the meditating Budhha. Smart classrooms have been introduced through the Tata Class Edge system which is now in place in all Senior and Junior School classrooms. A secure wifi network has also been installed and will soon be integrated with the Tata Class Edge.

Additional blocks consisting of six new classrooms each have been constructed for both the Junior and Senior wings of the school. A new dining hall for the Group D employees have done wonders for their morale. Footpaths around the school have added to the beauty of the campus along with serving a functional purpose.

The Learning Centre has moved to a new, larger venue, and now has a number of cubicles to cater to students individually.

On the sports front, a new water irrigation system equipped with a large underground water tank has been installed. The construction of the new cricket pavilion is well on its way and the Tennis Court has been re-laid, and the Squash Court repaired.

The school takes the security concerns of today's world seriously and has installed CCTV cameras in all school corridors and along the outer parameter of the school. For further security, barbed wire fencing has been put in place along the boundary wall.

#### **Environment Report**

'Think globally, act locally'—a mindset that is inculcated in every Yadavindrian. Our students focused on various environmental issues in the year 2013, like water crisis, parking problems, energy conservation, 'green' campus and ewaste management.

A campaign was launched to encourage 'car pooling and use of public transport'. 'Water—a Precious Resource' was the theme of the Founders Day Exhibition. Energy auditing was taken up as a class project where ways to reduce electricity bills were promoted.

The children are able to identify the flora and fauna on the campus, as all the trees now have their common and biological names written on them. The ongoing awareness programme saw students participate in various drawing and sloganwriting competitions and cycle rallies to spread the message of environment protection.

To the immense pride of all students, YPS was declared an ewaste conscious school and was awarded a trophy for being a part of NOKIA'S 'Planet ke Rakhwaale' ewaste management programme, launched by DEEKSHA (Diffuse Environmental Education, Keep Society Humble Aware).

# **The Learning Centre**

The Learning Centre at YPS caters to the needs of students with knowledge gaps, skill gaps, learning difficulties and behavioral disorders. It is a unique facility provided at YPS to address the special needs of the children.

In 2013, specially trained educators worked with students according to their specific need, using appropriate techniques and tools such as flash cards, diagraphs and audio-visual aids.

The emphasis was on a multisensory approach to learning. The Centre catered to students, both from the junior and the senior wings of the school. A need-based assessment was done before enrolling the students. Issues related to reading, comprehension, written expression, sequencing, low attention span, retention and numerical concepts were addressed. Students showed marked improvement through the collaborative effort of class teachers, special educators and parents not just in their academics but also in diverse activities and evolvement as adults.

A total of nine students will appear for the NIOS (National Institute of Open Schooling) examination in the year 2013 – 2014. Guidance has been provided to the children for their specific choices for syllabus as well as their assignments.

With emphasis on overall development the students also participate and excel in diverse activities as sports, music, photography and art.

# Co-curricular Report Making the Most of Each Day

At YPS we believe in holistic education, which means encouraging students to not just work hard in the classroom but also to try new things, to make mistakes and learn from them, to develop commitment, perseverance, teamwork and organisational skills. Students enjoy an extensive cocurricular programme, including activities as diverse as debating, art, public speaking, exploring nature, and technology to name a few. These, together with participation in musical ensembles, rehearsals for







dramatic productions and lessons for effective communication and performance, give every child the opportunity to try something new or develop existing interests. These activities form a regular part of the school curriculum and a spirit of healthy competition is generated through Inter-House and Inter-School competitions.

Date	Event	Venue	Participant and Position
Jan 28	All-India Child and Youth Art Competition	Kala Sarthi Foundation	Jasmine Narang (Gold medal)
Feb I-2	Face Painting and Nail Painting	Mount Carmel Convent, Chandigarh	Harbiksan, Riya Gill, Aaliya Sachar, Kudrat
			Trehan, Uday KSingh & Kanwardeep Singh
Feb 28	National Science Day Competition.	Science City, Kapurthala	Jasmine Narang (1st), Bikram Suri,
			Siddhartha Yaddanapudi, Mannik, Anmol
			Dosanjh, Sehaj, Jasmine Narang
Apr 16	Debate and Quiz	Daly College, Indore	Navraj S Saini & Siddhartha Yaddanapudi (2nd)
			Bikram S Suri, Taarini Ravjit, Priya Ahluwalia
Apr 12	MOD Debate	Delhi	Beeban Rai (Best Speaker), Jasmine Narang &
			Ashishpal Singh (Qualified for the 2nd round)
Jul 12	The Frank Anthony Debate	Sat Paul Mittal School, Ludhiana	Beeban Rai and Himmat Tiwana (the team
			came 2nd). Himmat Tiwana (Best Speaker)
Jul 12	The Frank Anthony Debate	Saint Kabir School, Hissar	Avantika Gargya & Bhaskar Dutta (1st)
			Avantika Gargya (Best Speaker).
Aug 2-5	JK Kate Memorial Debate and Quiz	The Punjab Public School, Nabha	Himmat Tiwana, Beeban Rai, Jaisveen Kaur,
			Nishtha, Jasamrit and Ravneet.
Oct 7-10	Essay Writing & Poster making	The State Library, Chandigarh	Sahil Ahuja, Tanya Ahuja (First as a team)
			Sahil Ahuja (Ist), Sahil Ahuja (Consolation)

Sept 4-9	Aitchison College Model United Nations	Aitchison College, Lahore, Pakistan	Best International Delegation
	(ACMUN-5)		Bikramjit Suri (Outstanding Diplomacy Award)
			Madhav Pubby, Bikramjit Singh Suri, Garima
			Pandey, Simrata Grewal, Bhaskar Dutta,
			Loveneet Bhatt, Kajal Sharma, Himmat Tiwana
			and Jasmine Narang
Sept I	The Lweylyn Debate, 2013	Sherwood College, Nainital	Bikramjit Suri (Principal's Special Award)
			Bhaskar Dutta (Best Speaker)
Aug 8-12	Reflections	City Montessori School, Lucknow	Pranav Raj (Second Prize in Photography)
Oct 17-19	The Goldstein Debate	The Yadavindra Public School, Patiala	Jasmine Narang , Kajal Sharma and Beeban Rai
Oct 7-10	Visual Arts Festival	Welham Boys School, Dehradun	Taarini Ravjit, Huijin Jang and Anya Gupta (Ist
			in Face Painting) Huijin Jang and Vrindha
			Talwar (3rd in Craft). Taarini and Anya (3rd in
			Hand Painting and Best out of waste). Taarini
			Ravjit and Sukham Sond (3rd in Conceptual
			Photography)
Oct 29	Amar Singh Memorial Debate	The British Co-ed, Patiala	Avantika Gargya and Sanya Arora (1st)
Oct 27-29	IPSC- IT Fest, 2013	The Scindia School, Gwalior	Lovneet Bhatt ( 3rd in collage making)
			Bhaskar Dutta (3rd in Computer Assembly)
Oct 26	Inter School English Debate	Vivek High School, Chandigarh	Himmat Singh Tiwana (Best Speaker Award)
			Beeban Rai
Oct 7	Word Search	Book Fair, Sec-17 Chandigarh	Sahil Ahuja and Tanya Ahuja (First as a team)
Nov 16	Design a Stamp	GPO Sector-17 Chandigarh	Huijin Jang, Sahil Ahuja and Tanya Ahuja

# Workshop Report

Living in the dynamic and ever-changing world of today, keeping abreast with the latest educational techniques and learning methodology is the need of the hour for any good public school. Whether it is the use of technology in education or dealing with the challenges of the 21st Century child, training is the only answer. The workshops at YPS strive to equip, update and direct the teachers so that they may be in sync with demands of the vocation.

#### **STUDENTS WORKSHOPS**

Date	Name of Workshop	Resource Person	Classes
Feb 8	Memory Enhancement Skills	Mr.Kamlesh Chandra	XI and XII
Feb 28	E-Waste Management	Mrs. Tripat Parmar	XI and XII
Mar 5	Healthy Adoloscence	Team of Doctors from Fortis	Girls (VI -XII)
Mar 28 - Apr I	INSPIRE' Programme	Prof. Neeraj Kharey,IIT Delhi	Arjun,Yuvraj, Siddharth, Jasmine (XII-N)
Jul 20	Art of living	Paulomi Mukherjee	students of class XI and XII
Jul 25	Lecture on Motivation	Gen. Mehta	XI and XII
Aug 27	Enhancing Visual Literacy Skills	Mrs. Emily Gravett	5 students from class VI -VII along with Ms. Amarjeet, Tanveer VI-N,Kartikeya VII-S, Sukhmani VII-S, Ravshaan VI-O, Reet VI-N
Aug 30	Courses offered by Ashoka University	Ms.Meenakshi	XI and XII
Sep 5	Creative Writing	Mrs.Sherry Ashworth	Students of Classes VI-VIII
Sep 19	Youth for Understanding (Exchange Programme)	Mrs. Manmeet Grewal	Students of Class X
Oct 22	Creative Designing	Mr. Shashank Khandelwal	Students of Fine Arts, Class XI and XII
Oct 25	Courses offered by USIEF		XI and XII
Nov 12	Courses offered by UBC	Ms.Tanushree Bhatacharya	XI and XII
Nov 12	Aptitude testing and dissemination of information about different careers	Members of OYA and Canam	XI and XII
Nov 15	Visit to CGC Landran campus		XI and XII
Nov 15	Career Counselling	Ms. Preeti Taneja ,Canam	XI and XII

# **TEACHER'S WORKSHOPS**

Date	Name of workshop	Resource person(s)
Jan 24-25	International conference on futuristic trends in Physical Education	Dr. N. S. Mann (PU Chd), Dr. A. K. Uppal (Noida), Dr. Kanwaljit Singh (Amritsar), Dr. D. K. Duneha (BHU Varanasi), Dr. R. S. Brar (PU Chd), Dr. Anil R (Kerala), Dr. Klaws Peter Hern (Germany), Dr. Rabinderjeet Singh (Malaysia)
Feb 03	Pronunciation	Dr. Harpreet Gill
Feb 08	Registration under RTE Act	
Feb 13	Cube Curriculum	Ms. Guneet Kaur
Feb 15	The North Eastern Triology	Mr. Kunal Verma
Feb 17	Teaching Vocabulary	Dr. Ms. Harpreet Gill
Feb 23	Creative Hindi Teaching	Mrs. Pandey, Mr. Mishra
Feb 24	Teaching Tools	Ms. Deepti Gupta
Mar 04	Women's health from Menarche to Menopause	Dr. Shanujeet Kaur
Mar 08	Rheumotology	Dr. Sandeep Chauhan
Mar 14	Motivating the unmotivated	Ms. Marie Delaney
Apr 30 - May 2	Leadership Development Programme for teachers and students- S. E. A.R.C.H ( A Tetra Pak Initiative)	Ms. Taru Mehta, Ms. Supriya Singh
May 4	What Young India Wants	Chetan Bhagat
May 7	Child Safety and Protection of Children	Prof. Kohli, Dr. Simi Waraich, Ms. Prajakta
Jul 23	Workshop of Project Search	TERI in Association with TETRA PAK INDIA PVT. LTD.
Jul 30	Teachers Training Workshop on E-Blocks	Ms. Shomalika
Aug 7	Teaching conflict resolultion approaches	Prof. William Gaudellil, Asst. Prof. Social studies & Education Teachers College, Columbia University
Aug 12	Accounts and Commerce Workhop	
Aug 29	Workshop by British Council on CPD	Ms. Emma Sue Prince
Sept 5	Workshop by Vishwa Bharati Yoga Sansthan	Acharya Prem Bhatia
Sept 20	The Art of Story Telling	Ms. Nell Phoenix
Oct 24	Using Technology for Education	Mr. Rajat, Mr. Jainedra
Oct 28-30	Innovation and Leadership for ESD (Education for sustainable Development)	TERI team



# **Senior School Annual Play**

# Anne of Green Gables — The Musical

YPS presented its annual production, 'Anne of Green Gables—The Musical' at Tagore Theatre on September 13, 2013. The play was an adaptation of the classic by Lucy Maud Montgomery. Comprising a caste of about 80 students, the play enthralled the audience with its live music and graceful dances.

The story revolved around Anne, an orphaned child who is whimsical, impulsive, fiery tempered and extremely imaginative. She is adopted by the brother-sister duo of Marilla and Matthew Cuthbert. Marilla, a conservative and religious woman, at first decides to send Anne back, as she had requested for a boy, but later changes her mind as she is taken in by the endearing ways of Anne.

The play was an aesthetically rich display of Anne's adventures in adjusting to Avonlea School and developing bonds of friendship with Diana Barry, and above all making Green Gables her home with Matthew and Marilla Cuthbert. It is worth a mention that this was the first time that the annual play was directed in house by the teachers of the English department, Ms Anjali Arora; Ms Neena Singh and Ms Rajdeep Bains. The credit for the melodious and rich music goes to Mrs Sumali Devgan. The delightful dances were choreographed by Mr Akshay Sharma. Set design was the creation of Mr Sukirat Singh and Mr Virender Rana. Make-up by Mrs Neelu Sandhu and Ms Duneep Sandhu added a realistic dimension.

Aaliya Sachar and Sanya Arora stood out for their outstanding portrayal of Anne and Marilla, respectively. Noteworthy performances by Beeban Rai as Rachel, Sajneet Mangat as Diana, Bhaskar Datta as Mr. Philips, Sanjana Sidhu as Ms Stacey, Shaurya Dhawan as Matthew, Tanay Gopal as Gilbert, were seen. Another feather in the cap of the 'Anne of Green Gables' team was their performance on a special invitation at Punjab Public School, Nabha, where the play was performed to a houseful audience and received a standing ovation.



















## Inter-House Plays

The "dramatic" result of the vertical division of students into Houses was brought to life on May 2-3, 2013, with the five Houses putting their theatre skills on display. The audience relished every moment.

## **PATIALA HOUSE: Cybernella**

Fairy tales were given a new twist with Patiala House's take on Cinderella. The proverbial godmother, and the happy ending were given avatars more relevant to the times. Finally, 'Cybernella' found her 'fella' and our faith in happy endings was kept alive.

# TAGORE HOUSE: Meet the Trojans

The great Homeric epic of the Trojan War was spoofed by the Tagorians. The classic war between the Spartans and the Trojans ensued after a fight among the coolest Gods ever. The audience was in splits looking at the 'dumb-beauty' Helen, the mighty midget Ajax and a most adorable Apollo. In the end, Tagore House's Trojan Horse won them the first position.

# AITCHISON HOUSE: Mother's Day

Mother's Day was a touching tale about Mrs Pearson. A devoted mother, her love for her children was so great that she valued herself very little. She took care of the needs of her family, leaving her with no time for herself. The play showed her transformation, through the work of the hugely talented 'Masooma' (Atharv Sharma), from a timid doormat to a self-assured and poised woman who knows her mind and earns her family's respect. It was a touching tale of love.

# RANJIT HOUSE: The Education of Janet O' Malley

It was a play that all students, even the best of them, could relate to. Janet O' Malley's lament evoked empathy from all. The play reiterated the question on nearly each young student's mind, "Why do I have to know everything that they teach in school?" In the play Janet O' Malley gets hit by a ball and goes through a sequence of wacky dream sequences one after the other, during the course of which she gets the answers to her questions.

# NALAGARH HOUSE: The Art of Living

Nalagarh House presented a comedy, 'The Art of Living', depicting the life of an average middle-class family. The play threw light on the adverse impact of modern technology. It was based on a guintessential modern family, which lacked strong bonds and mutual respect. Contrarily, the grandfather was repulsed by the daily whims of modern life. The play showed the transformation that the members of this family underwent from 'uncaring and indifferent' to 'the ideal family'. The change was a result of 'no television' for a single day. The star of the show was Aunt Polly (Arjun Ram Singh Dhaliwal),

whose performance got a thunderous round of applause from the audience.

#### Inter House Dramatics Results

First: **Tagore House** Second Nalagarh House Third: Patiala House Fourth: Ranjit House Fifth: Aitchison House The award for the Best Publicity Material went to Nalagarh House. Atharv Sharma (VIII-S) of Aitchison House received the Best Actor Award, with Kartikeya Puri (VII-S) of Tagore House coming second, and Madhav Pubby (XII-C) of Tagore House getting the third position. The Best Supporting Actor Award went to Tanveer Mangat (VI-N) of Tagore House, with Jasamrit Singh (XII-O) of Nalagarh House getting the second and Aaliya Sachar (VII-O) of Patiala House winning the third prize.

# **Counselling Report**

Counselling is a continuous dialogue to bring about a positive transformation in students' lives, to empower them to work with positive self-worth, self-faith and self-trust.

During the year 2013 the Counselling Cell worked in tandem with all the teaching departments to identify students struggling with academic and non-academic concerns. This was supplemented by a detailed interaction with the child, parent and teacher concerned to figure out the possible underlying causes for poor performance. A number of screening tools like Nimhans Battery of Learning Disability, Vanderbilt Attention Deficit Hyperactive Disorder (ADHD) Parent and Teacher rating scale were used for the identification and management of psychological conditions like ADHD & LD. The identified students were then referred to the Learning Centre for appropriate remediation programme. Further psychometric







screening tools like Perceived Stress Scale by Sheldon Cohen, **CRAFFT** Screening Questionnaire, Paediatric Symptom Checklist and **Problem Oriented Screening** Instruments for Teenagers developed by the National Institute of Drug Abuse were used to diagnose the underlying problems like social adjustment, sibling rivalry, parental discord, hysterical and anxiety disorders with active feedback from teachers and parents. Students were helped, both in individual and group counselling sessions, to accept the situation and efforts were made to enhance their adaptive, social and life skills to deal with the day-to-day difficulties of life. To help students in learning and practising effective problem solving and decision making skills, classroom sessions were conducted all through the year on topics like assertiveness, handling peer pressure, ill effects of bullying, negative body image, understanding and managing adolescence anxiety, balancing innerouter world conflicts, etc. Various techniques like role play, debate,

discussion, psychodrama, situation analysis were used to add interest to the topics.

Prior to the examinations a special assembly on understanding the myths and facts of examinations was conducted to deal with the academic stress of the students. Workshops on effective study skills, note making skills, exams writing skills and memory enhancement strategies were also undertaken for the benefit of students.

A seminar on different streams and upcoming careers was conducted for the students of Class X to assist them in making right career decisions. A developed Career Decision Scanning Programme, which assessed them on the basis of psychometric tests (Myers Brigg type Inventory, Differential Aptitude Test, Vocational Interest Record and Cattell Culture Fair Intelligence Test) was conducted for this purpose. This scientific profile was then matched with the required skills of an occupation and an appropriate career path was suggested.

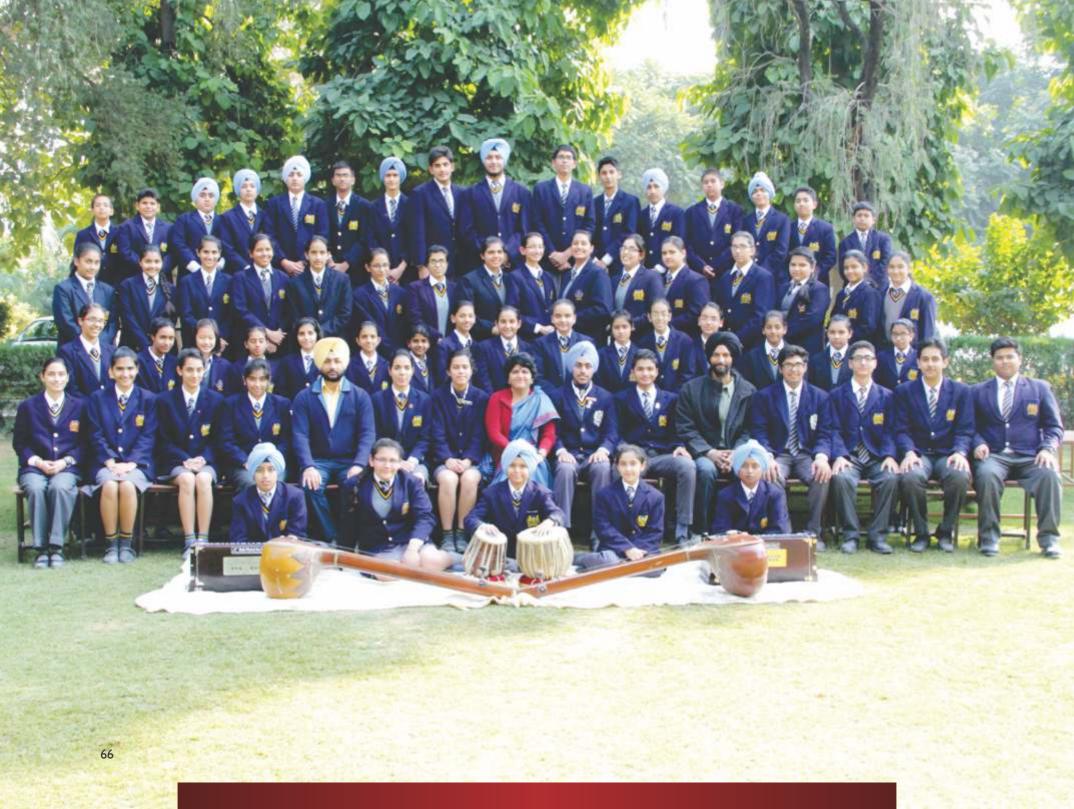
# Socially Useful Productive Work

The integration of SUPW in the YPS curriculum aims at enhancing the allround development of each child, enabling him to successfully cope with the ever-changing demands and challenges of the world around him. Students are made aware of their responsibilities at home, in school and to the people around them. They are sensitised to social issues and are motivated to render services by developing a sense of empathy.

Yadavindrians are encouraged to participate in various inter-house and inter-school events like debates, declamations, quizzes, Olympiads and MUNs where they become aware of issues related to the economy, politics and civic amenities at the local, national and international level and are encouraged to find innovative solutions for the same. Special school assemblies are conducted on occasions like Republic Day, Independence Day, May Day and Teachers Day. Festivals are celebrated to inculcate moral and cultural values to make them responsible citizens. Students learn organisational skills like time management and develop a sense of belonging by handling stalls at the fete, through classroom management and holding various offices in the Boarding House. Large scale participation in inter-house and school plays connects the students to the parent community, which helps deal with social maladies. Whenever required children raise funds and collect items to help victims of natural disasters and needy members of the YPS family. The credit for the effort made by the children goes entirely to them. A special effort was made to involve Classes XI and XII in various Social and Community based projects. They participated in the following activities:



Class	Activity	Details
XII –E, O	e-waste management	Class discussions were held to understand the concept of e-waste, its impact on the environment and ways to manage it. It was followed by a workshop that was held in the school library for students of Class XI and XII. A drive was initiated to collect e-waste and the collected material was handed over to an NGO, "Deeksha" for recycling.
XII O	Identification of trees on the campus.	Students were asked to identify the trees on the campus and find out their scientific names.
XII-E, O	Beautification and maintenance of soft boards	Students were encouraged to decorate the soft boards and bring articles/ newspaper cuttings related to life skills or their respective streams.
XI –E, O	Powerpoint presentations on various life skills	Students were divided into groups and asked to prepare presentations on various topics such as communication skills, leadership etc, which were later discussed in the class.
XI -E	Bank savings	Students discussed various types of bank accounts, interest rates and how to open an account.
XI-E, O, XII-E, O	Social relationship index	An activity (Socio-metry) was conducted in class to assess social interaction.
XI-E, O, XII-E, O	Participation in the Youth Summit	Students were briefed about the different problems or challenges being faced in society these days such as drug abuse, corruption, girl safety, etc. 17 students participated in the youth summit, held in PU, where these issues were discussed in detail.
XI-E, O, XII-E, O	Car pool campaign	The students helped in collection and compilation of data.
XI-E, O, XII-E, O	Library work	Students helped the library staff in setting library books in proper order and learnt the art of record keeping, binding of books, etc.



### **Music Report**

Next to the Word of God, the noble art of music is the greatest treasure in the world.

After silence, that which comes nearest to expressing the inexpressible is music. This is what Yadavindrians strongly believe in, which is why music holds a very important place in the school curriculum. Almost all school events have a touch of music that adds a touch of solemnity, grace and the liveliness of young voices singing together.

Some of the prominent events made more melodious through the year 2013 were as under.

On April 9, 2013, Founders' Day, the Senior School choir presented the Saraswati Vandana followed by the school Orchestra playing sargams and taranas. About 80 students took part in the programme and played over 40 musical instruments like the sitar, harmonium, tabla, synthesiser, kabas, mandolin, santoor, banjo, platetarang, jaltarang and tabla-

#### tarang.

To make the morning assembly more harmonious, students form the school choir and play the instruments. A few new songs have also been introduced. Teri Aradhna karu and das teri ki benati ridh ker prakash are very popular with the students, who always sing along with the choir.

Music, as a subject, is integrated in all classes of the senior school. Regular lessons are held for Classes VI to VIII. The study of classical music is also offered as an optional subject for the students from Class IX to XII. Music is offered as a hobby for all classes, where they learn to play different instruments like the harmonium, tabla, synthesiser, banjo, plate-tarang, As part of the Republic Day celebrations the senior school choir presented a patriotic group song where 45 students took part. The Senior School choir presented two songs in the Special Assembly

organised to celebrate Independence Day. The song aie mere payare wattan was sung by Jaisveen Kaur and Sukhan Rangi, and Dil diya ha jaan bhi denge was sung by the entire choir.

On October 15, a programme was organised in the school to welcome senior citizens. A total of 40 guests came on this occasion. The Senior School Music Department organised a musical programme to entertain the guests. The programme started with a bhajan by Kashish Khandpura of Class VIII. This was followed by various songs sung by Jaisveen Kaur (XI), Harman Gill (XI), Shaurya Dhawan (XI), Sukhan Rangi (XI), Prabhnoor Kaur (VIII), Divayak (XI), Prabhjot Kaur (X) and Puneet Tiwari (XI). Preetkanwar Singh of Class X gave a solo tabla performance which was well received.

The Inter-House Music Competition was held on October 28. It comprised a solo raga round and a group qawaali round. Ranjit House came first, followed by Tagore House, Aitchison House, Nalagarh House and Patiala House, respectively. Jaisveen Kaur ( Ranjit House) stood first in the individual category, with Kashish Khandpura (Nalagarh House) and Prabhnoor Kaur (Ranjit House) coming second and third, respectively.

Students have shown a keen interest in music regularly participate in Inter-School music competitions. Jaisveen Kaur, Kirandeep Kaur and Kashish Khandpura took part in an Inter-School Bhajan Competition, in which they secured the first three positions.





### Hobbies

Hobbies in YPS form a vital part of the school curriculum. To encourage creativity in children the school offered various hobbies in 2013. These were art and craft, Indian and western music, theatre, fabricpainting, home-management, candle-making, folkdance, paper recycling, print-making, French, electronics, computers, claymodelling and debating.

As part of the Founders Day celebration, a play was staged and a hobby stall put up, where various articles made by students were displayed. A folk dance was performed by the students at the opening ceremony of the IPSC Cricket Tournament 2013, hosted by YPS.

# **IAYP** Report

To encourage young people to achieve their full growth potential and to improve their physical, moral, social and intellectual being, YPS offers its young pupils the IAYP (International Award for Young

#### People) programme.

In 2013, as many as 30 students of Class IX registered for the bronze level of the programme, of which 25 gualified. Six students gualified for the silver level. Four students continue to work for the gold level. Albert Einstein once said: "Our task must be to free ourselves... by widening our circle of compassion to embrace all living creatures and the whole of nature and its beauty." With faith in this belief, the students have been working under the community service section of the programme with the following institutions: The Institute for the Blind, Chandigarh; Cheema Foundation Trust, Chandigarh; Roshini (institute for the differently abled), Rajpura and People for Animals (PFA), Chandigarh. Working with the spirit of charity, students working for the bronze level have helped their class teachers in collecting monetary assistance to the tune of Rs 85,000 for Subhash Singh, a Group-D employee suffering from kidney failure and undergoing dialysis on a

regular basis. The donations were entirely voluntary, but the majority of students contributed to the fund. This year PFA, Chandigarh Chapter, organised 'Run for Animals', a campaign to bring awareness about animal rights. 30 students working for the award programme participated. They made banners, posters and placards on the plight of suffering animals, which they carried during the course of a 2 km race. On October 28, the students

working for the programme went to Roshini in Rajpura to share the joys of Diwali with the physically challenged people. They carried lunch and sweets and lots of love and joy and learned what Winston Churhill had once said: 'We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.'

Working with the children of the 'Institute for the Blind', the participants have been helping them with remedial classes in English. For the Cheema Foundation, the students helped in making slides for the various campaigns related to health and hygiene that the trust runs for the underprivileged section of society. Working with disadvantaged people is always a moving experience for participants of the award programme. It not only humbles them but also inspires them to not just blame others for the suffering among humanity, but to start doing what needs to be done to address it.







# □ SPORTS REPORT

"It's not whether you get knocked down; it's whether you get up".

- Vince Lombardi

For Yadavindrians, sports are a means to inculcate traits of hard work and dedication, and an unbeatable desire to excel in students. To get to the pinnacle of their sport, even the most naturally gifted athletes have to give it their all; and this is what the Yadavindrians did, beginning with the Annual Athletics Meet.

#### The Athletics Meet

February! Synonymous with the Annual Athletics Meet for which students spend months preparing themselves, their eyes set on glory. The Meet was an absolute joy to watch with young achievers displaying their skills on the track, weeks of hard work coming to the fore, completely worthy of the medals they won each day.

Mr GPS Bhullar, SSP, Mohali, as the Chief Guest, took the salute as the various House contingents marched past him. Nalagarh House won the coveted march past trophy.

The students, led by Amandeep Singh Sobti, the School Sports Captain, took the oath to compete in the true

#### spirit of sportsmanship.

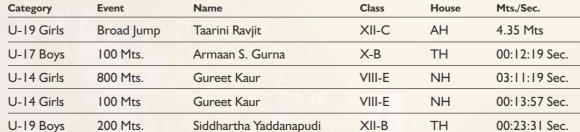
The battle for the Athletic Meet Trophy saw fierce competition from every House. The final standing was as follows: Patiala House **Tagore House** Nalagarh House Ranjit House **Aitchison House Best Athletes** 

Category	Name	Class	Н
U-19 (Boys)	Siddhartha Yaddanapudi	XII-B	Т
U-17 (Boys)	Armaan Singh Gurna	X-B	Т
U-14 (Boys)	Mantaj Mann	VIII-B	Ρ
U-12 (Boys)	Uday Gill	VI-A	R
U-19 (Girls)	Anya Gupta	XII-C	Т
U-17 (Girls)	Avantika Gargya	X-D	Ρ
U-14 (Girls)	Gureet Kaur Bhullar	VIII-E	Ν
U-12 (Girls)	Mankeerat Narang	VI-B	Ρ

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# Inter-House Athletics Meet 2013 – New School Records

### Mohali District Athletics Meet

4x400 Relay

U-14 Girls

The results of the School participation in the Mohali District Athletics Meet were as follows:

Nalagarh House

Names	Class	Category	Event	Position
Gurinder Singh	XI	Under 19 Boys	200 M	2nd
Vishavjeet Singh Virk	Х	Under 19 Boys	Shot Put	2nd
Gureet Kaur Bhullar	VIII	Under 16 Girls	100 M	lst
Gureet Kaur Bhullar	VIII	Under 16 Girls	High Jump	lst
Sanehdeep Khehra	Х	Under 16 Boys	High Jump	3rd
Rajan Preet Singh	VIII	Under 14 Boys	High Jump	lst
Rajan Preet Singh	VIII	Under 14 Boys	Broad Jump	2nd
Jaskaran Singh	VIII	Under 14 Boys	Broad Jump	lst
Rishu Taneja	VIII	Under 14 Girls	Broad Jump	lst
Rishu Taneja	VIII	Under 14 Girls	200 M	lst
Mankeerat K. Narang	VI	Under 14 Girls	Broad Jump	2nd
Mankeerat K. Narang	VI	Under 14 Girls	200 M	2nd

Saneh Deep Khehra was selected to represent Mohali District in the Inter-District Nationals for High Jump.



#### All India Golden Jubilee IPSC Athletics Meet for Boys and Girls (U-19) and the Trials for the U-14, U-17 Boys and Girls for the National School Games

The Athletics team achievements were as follows:

Names	Class	Category	Event	Position
Gurinder Singh	XI	Under 19 Boys	200 M	3rd
Gureet Kaur Bhullar	VIII	Under 19 Girls	High Jump	3rd
Nagina Sidhu	IX	Under 19 Girls	Discus Throw	2nd
Nagina Sidhu	IX	Under 19 Girls	Discus Throw	4th
Sanehdeep Khehra	Х	Under 19 Boys	High Jump	4th
Gurinder Singh	XI	Under 19 Boys	200 M	6th
Taarini Ravjit Singh	XII	Under 19 Girls	Broad Jump	4th



The following students were selected for representation in the Nationals:

Names	Class	Category
Gurinder Singh	XI	Under 19 Boys
Rajan Preet Singh	VIII	Under 14 Boys
Jaskaran Singh	VIII	Under 14 Boys
Nagina Sidhu	IX	Under 17 Girls

#### **Basketball**

The **YPS Girls team** participated in the following interschool tournaments in 2013

- YPS won the 4th place in the Lady Honoria Basketball Tournament for U-19 girls, held at the Lawrence School, Sanawar, from April 26-29, 2013
- The team reached the 4th place in the IPSC Basketball Tournament held at Welhams Boys School from April 13-16, 2013, where Rishu Taneja of Class VIII was selected for the Nationals camp to be held at MNSS, Rai.
- The YPS cagers won a match against the Panjab
  Public School, Nabha, held on April 14, 2013 at YPS,



Mohali, and also defeated the school on their home turf on August 17, 2013.

- The U-17 Girls team reached the semi-finals in the U-17 IPSC Basketball Tournament held at Army Public School, Dagshai, from July 2-6, 2013. Nagina Sidhu was selected to represent the school in the Nationals.
- The YPS girls also participated in the 7th Golden Jubilee Tournament, held at Welhams Boys School, in August 2013.

The **YPS Boys Basketball** teams participated in the following tournaments:

- The U-14 Boys Basketball team secured the 3rd position in the Major Jagpal Singh Memorial Basketball Tournament, held at Pinegrove School, Sabatu, from April 25 -27, 2013.
- They won the 1st Bhagwant Singh Memorial Basketball Tournament, held at Vivek High School, Mohali, from October 9-11, 2013,
- The team participated in the IPSC Basketball
  Tournament, held at L.K Singhania Education Centre,
  Gotan, from October 11-14, 2013.
- The U-17 Boys team secured the 3rd position in the 2nd Brother Kyle Basketball Tournament, held at St.
   Johns School, Chandigarh, from May 25-27, 2013
- The Under-19 Boys participated in the XXII All India Afzal Kahn Basketball Tournament, held at Doon School, Dehradun, from April 13-16, 2013

#### **Friendly Matches**

The YPS U-14 boys team played six friendly matches against Pinegrove School, Dharampur; S.G.H Public School, Chandigarh; Doon International School, Mohali; and PPS, Nabha, winning five of them.

The U-19 Boys played four friendly matches against S.G.H Public School, Chandigarh; DAV School, Chandigarh; Doon International School, Mohali; and SD Public School, Chandigarh, winning all but one.

#### Cricket

The YPS Cricket teams participated in the following tournaments in 2013:

- The XIth Mayoor Challenge Cup U-19 Cricket Tournament, held at Mayoor School, Ajmer (Rajasthan), from January 19-22, 2013.
- The XIth Maharaja Scindia U-19 Boys Cricket Tournament-2013, held at Scindia School, Gwalior, from March 28-April 2, 2013.
- The Doon Inter-School Junior Cricket Tournament-2103, held from February 28-March 5, 2013.
- The 12th U-19 Dhruve Pandove Memorial T-20 Cricket Tournament, held at YPS, Patiala, from April 13-17, 2013.
- The IPSC-U-14 Cricket Boys Tournament, held at DPS, Mathura Road, from October 16 -20, 2013.
- The YPS Inter-School Cricket League held at YPS, Mohali, from September 15-October 20, 2013.

- □ The IPSC U-17 Boys Cricket Tournament, hosted by YPS, Mohali, from October 31 –November 4, 2013, where YPS, Mohali won the third place.
- The 2nd BR McCann U- 19 Cricket Tournament, held from May 24-29, 2013.

#### **Friendly Matches**

Friendly matches were played against Doon School, Dehradun; The Punjab Public School, Nabha; DAV School, Chandigarh; SD Public School, Chandigarh; The Lawrence School, Sanawar; YPS, Patiala, DPS, RK Puram, New Delhi; MNSS, Rai; Modern School, Delhi; St Soldier School, Panchkula; St Kabir School, Chandigarh; and St John School, Chandigarh.

### U-17 All India Public School Conference Cricket Tournament

YPS, Mohali, hosted the All-India Public School Conference (IPSC) Under-17 (Boys) Cricket Tournament from October 31 to November 4, 2013.

The Chief Guest at the inauguration of the tournament was Mr. Bhupinder Singh Sr., a former Indian cricketer who was the Punjab Ranji Trophy coach for 2013. Mr Singh is also an administrator in the Punjab Cricket Association. He was a member of the committee that is responsible for selection of cricket teams to represent India at various levels. He has also played domestic cricket for Punjab and two One Day Internationals for India in 1994. Thirteen teams pan-India participated in this 5-day championship. The participating teams were from Birla Public School, Pilani; DPS Mathura Road, New Delhi; DPS R K Puram, New Delhi; Mann Public School, New Delhi; Mayo College, Ajmer; Modern School Barkhamba Road, New Delhi; Motilal Nehru School of Sports, Rai; Punjab Public School, Nabha; Sanik School Kapurthala; The Daly College, Indore; The Scindia School, Gwalior; Yadavindra Public School, Patiala; and the host school Yadavindra Public School, Mohali.

The results of the tournament were as follows:

- The Daly College, Indore, won the Tournament. The runners-up were Delhi Public School, R K Puram, New Delhi. Yadavindra Public School, Mohali, bagged the 3rd position.
- Best Player of the Tournament: Sankalp Srivastva (Delhi Public School, R K Puram, New Delhi)
- Best Batsman of the Tournament: Vishal Chauhan (The Daly College, Indore)
- Best Bowler of the Tournament: Parth Kohli (Yadavindra Public School, Mohali)
- Best Emerging Player of the Tournament: Jaskaran Singh (Yadavindra Public School, Mohali)

#### **Cross-Country Run**

The Inter-House Cross-Country Race was held on November 14, 2013, at Leisure Valley, SAS Nagar, instead of on the roads of the city. The children enjoyed competing on the undulating path meandering through













greenery instead of inhaling smoke from vehicle exhausts. The House positions were:

- I. Tagore House
- 2. Patiala House
- 3. Ranjit House
- 4. Nalagarh House
- 5. Aitchison House

Siddhartha Yaddanapudi was awarded the Milkha Singh Trophy and Huijin Jang won the P T Usha Trophy.

The results, under various categories, were as follows:

#### Under – 19 Boys:

- I. Siddhartha Yaddanapudi, Tagore House
- 2. Sehraj Singh Randhawa, Patiala House
- 3. Madhav Pubby, Tagore House
- 4. Navraj Singh, Tagore House
- 5. Dinesh Uppal, Patiala House
- 6. Beant Singh, Ranjit House

#### Under – 19 Girls:

- I. Huijin Jang, Patiala House
- 2. Simrita, Aitchison House
- 3. Beeban Rai, Tagore House
- 4. Taarini Ravjit, Aitchison House
- 5. Amandeep Benipal, Aitchison House
- 6. Garima Pandey, Nalagarh House

#### Under – 17 Boys:

- I. Rahil Verma, Aitchison House
- 2. Youngpreet Sandhu, Ranjit House
- 3. Armaan Singh Gurna, Tagore House
- 4. Saurabh Anand, Patiala House

- 5. Anmol Arora, Patiala House
- 6. Rajanpreet Singh Brar, Ranjit House

#### Under – 17 Girls:

- I. Gureet Kaur, Nalagarh House
- 2. Gurleen Kaur, Nalagarh House
- 3. Gurinder Kaur, Tagore House
- 4. Khushnaaz Brar, Tagore House
- 5. Simran, Tagore House
- 6. Sukhman Kaur, Tagore House

#### Under – 14 Boys:

- I. Jaskaran Singh Khaira, Aitchison House
- 2. Karanveer Kumar, Aitchison House
- 3. Prabhjeet Singh, Ranjit House
- 4. Japtej Singh, Tagore House
- 5. Aalam Dhanoa, Ranjit House
- 6. Jaskaran Singh, Patiala House

#### Under – 14 Girls:

- I. Alexia Verma, Aitchison House
- 2. Sajneet Mangat, Tagore House
- 3. Arshpreet Matharu, Nalagarh House
- 4. Minji Son, Aitchison House
- 5. Jessica Singh, Tagore House
- 6. Khushi Satviki, Ranjit House

#### Under – 12 Boys:

- I. Parth Bishnoi, Nalagarh House
- 2. Arnav Singh Bhagatana, Aitchison House
- 3. Harmeet S. Bhullar, Nalagarh House
- 4. Joshnoor, Ranjit House
- 5. Rahul Jindal, Nalagarh House

#### 6. Samarth Sehgal, Patiala House

#### Under – 12 Girls:

- I. Mankeerat Kaur Narang, Patiala House
- 2. Srikala Bharatam, Aitchison House
- 3. Avneet Kaur, Patiala House
- 4. Harnaman Kaur, Tagore House
- 5. Ishroop Kaur, Patiala House
- 6. Kudrat Bains, Ranjit House

#### Class IV – Boys:

- I. Garv Singarie, IV O
- 2. Nitya Ahuja, IV N
- 3. Aditya Vasihta, IV E
- 4. Udayveer Singh, IV T
- 5. Ripudaman Singh, IV T
- 6. Advit Prashar, IV T

#### **Class IV – Girls:**

- I. Sehaj Kaur Tiwana, IV O
- 2. Senona Singh, IV T
- 3. Ramanreet Kaur, IV N
- 4. Kanan Thakurl, V T
- 5. Jasleen Kaur Singhl, V N
- 6. Gurnaaz Kaurl, V O

#### Class V - Boys:

- I. Charanjot Singh, V S
- 2. Abhiraj Singh, V S
- 3. Gurcharan Singh, V O
- 4. Gurmehar Singh Doad, V T
- 5. Vanshdeep Singh, V E
- 6. Yuvraj, V O

#### Class V – Girls:

- I. Punnya J Singh, V N
- 2. Sehar Kiran Kaur, V E
- 3. Ranmeekjot, V E
- 4. Upasna Khurana, V N
- 5. Ekjot Khosa, V S
- 6. Saanvis Chowdhary, V E

#### Football

The YPS Football team participated in the following tournaments in 2013.

- The Sant Singh Memorial Soccer Tournament, held at Pine Grove School, Sabathu, from September 4-7, 2013, where YPS won the Winner's Trophy.
   Ikrabdeep Singh Ghai was awarded the 'Man of the Match' as the highest scorer of the tournament.
- The IPSC Football U–19 Boys Tournament, held at Rajkumar College, Raipur, from October 16-19, 2013.
- The Bhupinder Singh Memorial All India Tournament, held at Lawrence School, Sanawar, from August 24-27, 2013.
- The IPSC U-14 Boys Football Tournament, held at Wehlam Boys School, Dehradun, from July 15-17, 2013.

The team also played friendly matches against Yadavindra Public School, Patiala; Bishop Cotton School, Shimla; Panjab Public School, Nabha; and the Lawrence School, Sanawar.











#### Hockey

The YPS Hockey teams participated in the following tournaments in 2013:

- The IPSC U-19 Hockey Tournament, held at YPS, Patiala, from August 13-15, 2013
- The 11th Dulip Singh Memorial Hockey Tournament, held at Bishop Cotton School, Shimla, from October 24-28, 2013
- The IPSC U-15 (Boys) Hockey Tournament, held at MNSS, Rai, from May 27-30, 2013, where they secured the 4th position.
- The IPSC U- 17(Boys) Hockey Tournament, held at MNSS, Rai, from May 27-30, 2013, where they secured the 4th position.
- The 16th Sub- Junior Hockey Tournament for U-12 (Boys), held at Pinegrove School, Dharampur, from November 8-10, 2013, where they came 4th

#### **Friendly Matches:**

The team also played friendly matches with Yadavindra Public School, Patiala; S.C.L Company; Fatehgarh Sahib Academy; and Bishop Cotton School, Shimla.

#### **Horse Riding**

#### The Delhi Horse Show-2013

Gursobha Singh of Class X, Harbuland Singh Virk of Class IX and Gurbaaz Singh Sandhu of Class VI took part in the Delhi Horse Show-2013—India's biggest and most prestigious equestrian meet and horse show, matching

#### international standards.

In the Nationally Graded Seniors' Category, Gursobha won a total of 7 medals, which included 3 gold medals and 4 bronze medals. Harbuland Singh Virk was adjudged the 'Best Child Rider' in the Children-I category (12 to 14 years), winning two gold medals, both in the show-jumping category; and Gurbaaz Singh Sandhu, won a gold medal and two bronze medals while competing in the Children-II (10 to 12 years) category.

#### The IPSC Equestrian Meet-2013

The YPS equestrian team comprising Gursobha Singh of Class X, Harbuland Singh Virk of Class IX, and Gurbaaz Singh Sandhu of Class VI, competed in the IPSC equestrian meet, held at the Punjab Public School (PPS), Nabha, from April 10-12, 2013.

#### The results were as follows:

Name	Event	Position
Gursobha	Junior Show Jumping (Normal)	Gold
Gursobha	Junior Knockout	Gold
Gursobha	Junior Jumping (Top Score)	Bronze
Gurbaz	Children Jumping (Top Score)	Gold
Gurbaz	Children Jumping (Normal)	Silver
Gurbaz	Children Jumping (Fault and Out)	Bronze
Gursobha /	Junior and Sub-Junior	Bronze
Gurbaz	Rescue Relay	

Total no. of medals won in both competitions:

- I. Gursobha Singh II medals (5 gold & 6 bronze).
- 2. Harbuland Virk 2 gold
- 3. Gurbaaz Singh 2 gold, 1 silver & 4 bronze.

#### Rollball

Aditya Kaushik of Class IX won a silver medal in the 5th Open State Rollball Championship held at Sangrur on November 19, 2013.

#### Rowing

Sandeep Kaur of Class XI secured the 1st place in the 4th State Rowing Championship held at Sukhna Lake, Chandigarh on October 26, 2013. She also secured the 5th place in the 34th Junior National Rowing Championship held in Uttarakhand from November 20-25, 2013.

#### Softball

Abhimanyu Mann of Class XI participated in the 25th Junior State Softball Championship held at Chandigarh from February 9-10, 2013 and secured the 1st place. He also represented Chandigarh State in the 31st Junior National Softball Championship held at Jallandhar from June 3-8, 2013.

#### **Taekwando**

Avantika Gargya of Class X participated in the Chandigarh State Poomsae Taekwando and Kyorogi Taekwando held in Chandigarh on September 14, 2013. She came 1st in Poomsae and 2nd in Kyorogi. She was also selected for the Nationals.

#### Squash

Rajanpreet of Class IX participated in the Junior National Squash Championship held at Daly College, Indore, from October 25-30, 2013.

#### Tennis

Sagar Bains of Class IX participated in various tournaments in the year 2013.

- AITA CS, New Delhi, U-16, held from June 10-14, 2013, where he came first
- AITA TS, Chandigarh, U-14, held from June 24-28, 2013, where he was the winner in the doubles, and runners-up in the Singles categories.
- AITA Nationals, Chennai, U-14, held from August 12-17, 2013.
- Mohali Zonals for Schools, U-17, held from September 3-5, 2013, where he secured first position.
- AITA SS, Chandigarh, U-16, held from October 7-11, 2013, where he reached the quarter finals.
- AITA TS, Amritsar (Punjab State), U-16, held in November, where he reached the pre-quarter finals.
- He also participated in the IPSC, U-17 Tennis Tournament, held from November 11-14, 2013.

The YPS U-14 and U-17 teams participated in the IPSC Tennis Tournament held at DPS RK Puram. Nandini of Class VII came 3rd in the U-14 individual category and got selected in the IPSC team for the school nationals.



School Athletics Team



School Badminton Team



School Basketball U-12 Boys Team



School Basketball U-14 Boys Team



School Basketball U-14 Girls Team



School Basketball U-17 Boys Team

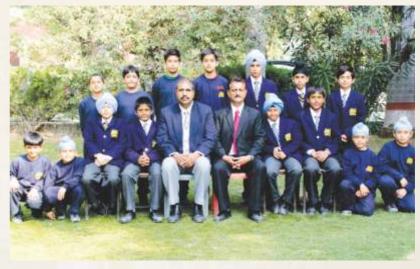


School Basketball U-17 Girls Team



School Basketball U-19 Boys Team





School Cricket Team

School Cricket U-12 Boys Team



School Cricket U-17 Boys Team



School Soccer Girls Team



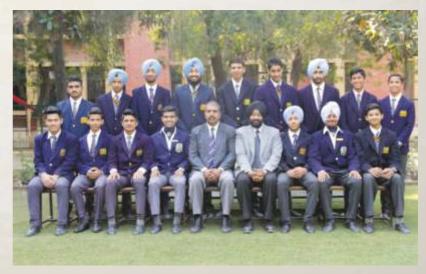
School Soccer U-12 Boys Team



School Soccer U-14 Boys Team



School Soccer U-17 Boys Team



School Soccer U-19 Boys Team



School Hockey U-12 Boys Team



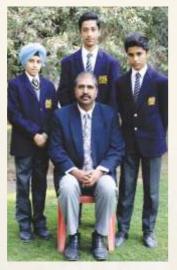
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School Hockey U-17 Boys Team



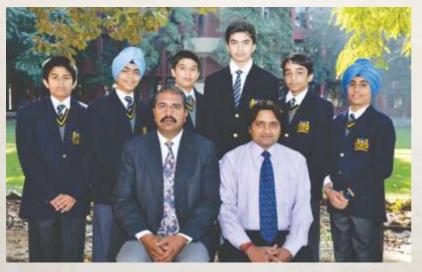
School Hockey U-19 Boys Team



School Equestrian Team



School Golf Team



School Table Tennis U-14 Boys Team



School Table Tennis U-19 Boys Team

#### Athletics





Gureet Kaur Bhullar, VIII



Rajan Preet Singh, VIII



Jaskaran Singh, VIII

### Rowing



Sandeep Kaur, XI



Basketball

Nagina Sidhu, IX



Jaskaran Singh, X



Rishu Taneja, VIII

Manraj Virdi, X



Parth Kohli, X



Yuvraj Singh Kohli, X



Sehej Singh, VIII



Gursahib Singh Hundal, VIII



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### **Horse Riding**





Harbuland Singh Virk, IX

Gurbaaz Singh Sandhu, VI

#### Taekwando



Avantika Gargya, X





Abhimanyu Mann, XI

### Tennis



Sagar Bains, IX



Nandini, VII





Rajan Preet Singh, IX

#### **School Blazer**



Taarini Ravjit, XII



Abhimanyu Mann, XI



Sandeep Kaur, XI



Gurinder Singh, XI



#### Youth for Understanding

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YPS joined the YFU community this year. Youth for Understanding (YFU) India is part of a worldwide movement of committed individuals and organisations working to prepare young people for a fast changing world. YFU provides youth between 15 and 18 a variety of intensive exchange opportunities.

We had **Harold Oja**, our first foreign exchange student through YFU this year. Harold is from Estonia and is in Class XI. He stayed with Yuvraj and Sukhman Dhanoa of Class IX for a month, and later moved to the house of our Head Girl, Taarini Ravjit. A thorough extrovert, he mixed easily with the YPS students, even picking up a smattering of Punjabi and a love for "chhole" and "paneer". We wish him luck for his future.

# BUILDING BRIDGES

"With stones, you can build walls to separate people or build bridges to unite them! Do the latter in the name of ethics and honour, for the glory of love and goodness!"

> - Mehmet Murat Ildan (Turkish Playwright, Novelist & Thinker)

#### P.T. Usha visits YPS

On January 22, 2013, the "Payolli Express", P.T. Usha, visited our school. The awestruck children interacted with the well-known athlete for over two hours, asking for her guidance on proper stance, correct running technique and a host of other questions. Her motivational talk about never giving up has inspired the students to do well in every field of life.

#### **Meeting Kunal Verma**

Yadavindrians had the pleasure of meeting and interacting with Mr

Kunal Verma, an experienced filmmaker and author, who visited the school this year. He conducted a seminar in the school library with the purpose of educating students on the rich culture and heritage of North-East India. Among the foremost military filmmakers in the country, Mr Verma has directed several documentaries on the Indian Army, Navy and Air Force. Also an established author, he has recently published a trilogy of books based on his adventures in the North-East.

#### May Day - 2013

Commending the efforts of our group 'D' employees, on May I, 2013, the staff and senior students planned a day full of events for them and their families. There was a magic show, followed by a series of fun-games which saw the staff and students cheering them on as they competed. The prize distribution



brought smiles to the winners. This was followed by a delicious lunch, cooked and served lovingly by the teachers and students. Before bidding goodbye, the children of the group-D employees were presented with small tokens.

#### **ACMUN** Lahore

Reaching out across the border, YPS sent a team of students to participate in the prestigious Aitchison College Model United Nations Conference, held at Aitchison College, Lahore, Pakistan, September 5-8, 2013.

The team comprising nine members — Bhaskar Datta, Lovneet Bhatt, Kajal Sharma, Himmat Singh Tiwana, Jasmine Narang, Bikramjit Singh Suri, Madhav Pubby, Simrata Grewal and Garima Pandey — won the trophy for the "Best International Delegation". Bikramjit Singh Suri received a trophy for outstanding diplomacy in his committee U.N.H.C.R.

#### **Honouring the Elderly**

On October 15, 2013, YPS organised a function to mark the contribution of the elderly in our lives. A total of 40 guests came for this occasion. To entertain them, the Department of Music arranged a variety programme which included individual and group performances in vocal as well as instrumental music. In addition to these performances, some senior citizens also came forward to motivate the students and deliver the message of hard work as a means of giving a better shape to their future.

### Aitchison Business Concept 2014 (ABC 2014)

YPS sent a team of seven students to the Aitchison College, Lahore, Pakistan, to take part in the Aitchison Business Concept-2014, held from January 1-3, 2014. The competition had 33 National and International teams participating, and was judged by 90 CEOs who are at present heading MNCs in Pakistan as well as in other countries.

The team, consisting of Amandeep Singh Sobti, Ashish Pal Sngh, Bikramjit Singh Suri, Himmat Singh Tiwana, Kajal Sharma, Roohanjyot Singh Sidhu and Sukhnpreet Kaur Rangi, did our school and country proud by bringing home four trophies (Case Study: First; Billboard Designing: First, Business Idea Competition: Second; and Amazing Race: Second). They were also declared the overall winners of the competition.

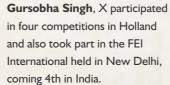


# Achievers Beyond School





**Gurbaaz Singh Sandhu**, VI won a gold, 2 silver, a bronze (10-14 years category) and the Best Child Rider Trophy in the Chandigarh Regional Horse Show, 2013 on February 2-3. He also participated in the FEI Children's International Classics 2013 Show Jumping (Bronze Category), held at APRC, New Delhi, October 4-6, 2013. He was the youngest of a four member Indian Children Equestrian Team (10-14 years). He won an individual gold in this event.





**Jasmine Narang**, XII was selected to be a part of STEP (Sensitizing, Training and Empowering Peers), a Leadership Development Programme of Project SEARCH involving 47 students all over India. The programme was held at two levels - Camp I at Chorla Ghats, Goa, from 29 Apr - 3 May, 2013 and Camp 2 at Manor, Maharashtra from 28 Aug - I Sept, 2013.



Japtej Singh, VIII has lived every child's dream by acting in the movie 'Bhaag Milkha Bhaag'. His performance was critically appreciated and he received a trophy from the Information and Broadcasting Minister, Mr Manish Tiwari. He also won the Best Child Artiste Award at the 20th Life OK Screen Awards 2014, held in Mumbai on January 22, 2014, and the 'Pride of Punjab' award held at Amritsar on January 26, 2014.



**Taarini Ravjit**, XII represented India in the U-19 category in the Asian football confederation (AFC Cup) qualifiers held in Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam & Mallacca, Malaysia.



**Mr Virender Rana** was awarded the Junior Fellowship from the Ministry of Culture for the years 2011-2012. He received the fellowship this year.



# □ AITCHISON HOUSE REPORT

**Junior School** House Master

**House Council Body** Boys' House Captain Girls' House Captain

Senior School House Master

House Council Body Boys' House Captain Girls' House Captain House Prefects

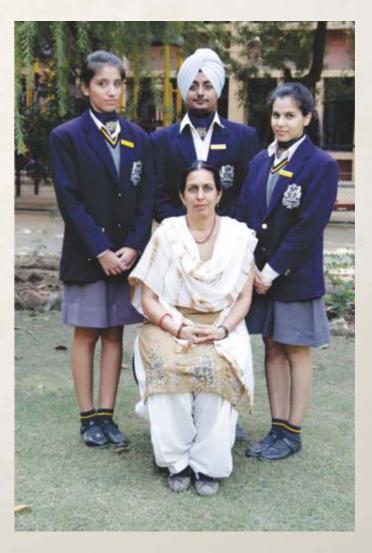
School Council Body Head Girl Deputy Head Girl Girls' Sports Captain Mrs Manpreet Kaur Dua

Joshvir Singh Narula Ranmeek Jot Kaur

Mrs Manmohan Kaur Litt

Shubhkarman Singh Sandhu Anmol Dosanjh Angadveer Singh Amandeep Kaur Benipal

Taarini Ravjit Singh Priya Ahluwalia Simrata Kaur Grewal





Co-Curricular Report			
Classes	Date	Event	Position
VI and VII	Feb 6	Spelling Bee	4th
VI and VII	March 6	Hindi/Punjabi Poetry Recitation	3rd
VIII and IX	March 13	English Literary	2nd
VI and VII	March 20	Quiz	5th
VIII and IX	April 8	Hindi/Punjabi Declamation	5th
VI and VII	April 24	English Declamation	2 nd
VI to XII	May 2-3	English Plays	5th
X, XI and XII	July 24	Just a Minute	5th
VIII and IX	July 3 I	Quiz	2nd
VIII and IX	August 7	Math Olympiad	5th
VI and VII	August 14	Computer Quiz	5th
VIII and IX	August 21	Computer Quiz	5th
X, XI and XII	September 4	English Literary	2nd
X, XI and XII	September I I	English Poetry Recitation	4th
VI and VII	September 18	Math Olympiad	l st
VI and VII	September 25	Just a Minute	5th
X, XI and XII	October 9	Oxford Style Debate	4th
VIII and IX	October 21	English Debate	3rd
X, XI and XII	October 24	Quiz	3rd
VI-XII	October 26	Music	3rd

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### Sports Report

Group	Date	Event	Position
All	February 14-19	Athletics	5th
Ab-14	April 16-22	Basketball	2nd
U-14	April 16-22	Basketball	lst
Girls	April 16-22	Basketball	4th
Ab-14	March 16-17	Cricket	4th
U-14	March 16-17	Cricket	lst
Ab-14	September 2-10	Football	lst
U-14	September 2-10	Football	lst
Girls	September 2-10	Football	2nd
Ab-14	November 11-18	Hockey	5th
U-14	November 11-18	Hockey	3rd
Girls	November 11-18	Hockey	lst
IV-XII	November 14	Cross Country	5th





# □ NALAGARH HOUSE REPORT

**Junior School** House Master

**House Council Body** Boys' House Captain Girls' House Captain

Senior School House Master

House Council Body Boys' House Captain Girls' House Captain House Prefects

**School Council Body** 

Deputy Head Boy Sports Captain (Boys) Music Captain Environment Captain Mrs. Harinder Kaur

Abhiraj Singh Virk Shreya Singh

Mrs Duneep Sandhu

Yuvraj Singh Amanat Dhiman Shaanpreet Singh Dhaliwal Ravtesh Kaur

Arjun Ram Singh Dhaliwal Amandeep Singh Sobti Nikita Mander Charan Garima Pandey



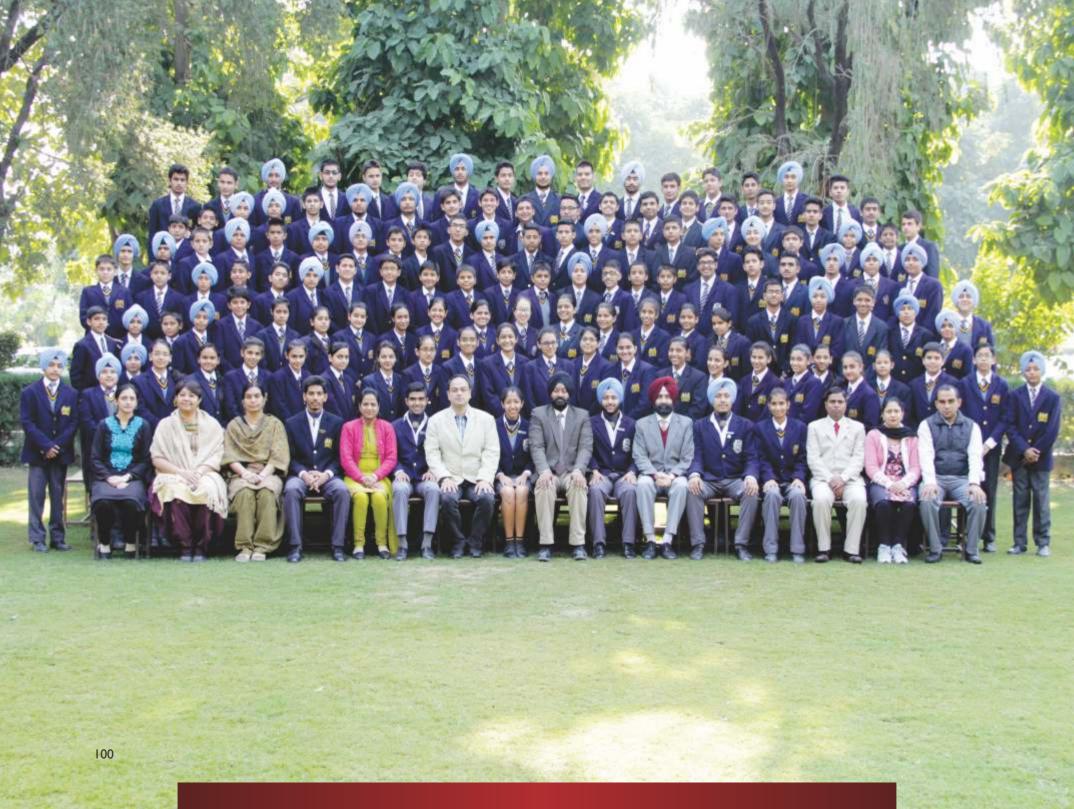


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VI and VII	March 6	Hindi/Punjabi Poetry Recitation	lst
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VI and VII	March 20	Quiz	lst
VIII and IX	April 8	Hindi/Punjabi Declamation	3rd
VI and VII	April 24	English Declamation	4th
VI to XII	May 2-3	English Plays	2nd
X, XI and XII	July 24	Just a Minute	2nd
VIII and IX	July 3 I	Quiz	4th
VIII and IX	August 7	Math Olympiad	3rd
VI and VII	August 14	Computer Quiz	4th
VIII and IX	August 21	Computer Quiz	2nd
X, XI and XII	September 4	English Literary	3rd
X, XI and XII	September I I	English Poetry Recitation	lst
VI and VII	September 18	Math Olympiad	4th
VI and VII	September 25	Just a Minute	2nd
X, XI and XII	October 9	Oxford Style Debate	lst
VIII and IX	October 21	English Debate	4th
X, XI and XII	October 24	Quiz	4th
VI to XII	October 26	Music	4th

### Sports Report

Group	Date	Event	Position
All	February 14-19	Athletics	3rd
Ab-14	April 16-22	Basketball	4th
U-14	April 16-22	Basketball	5th
Girls	April 16-22	Basketball	lst
Ab-14	March 16-17	Cricket	2nd
U-14	March 16-17	Cricket	3rd
Ab-14	September 2-10	Football	5th
U-14	September 2-10	Football	2nd
Girls	September 2-10	Football	3rd
Ab-14	November 11-18	Hockey	4th
U-14	November 11-18	Hockey	lst
Girls	November 11-18	Hockey	2nd
IV-XII	November 14	Cross Country	4th





# PATIALA HOUSE REPORT

**Junior School** House Master

**House Council Body** Boys' House Captain Girls' House Captain

Senior School House Master

House Council Body Boys' House Captain Girls' House Captain House Prefects

School Council Body Head Boy (Junior School) Co-Curricular Captain (Girls) Boarding House Prefect (Ajit House) Ms Ramandeep Grewal

Harsanjam Saini Harsirat Saini

Mr Sukirat Singh

Amar Singh Sekhon Gurneet Aujla Uday Singh Brar Harman Singh Bawa

Chandan Kler Jasmine Kaur Narang Mandeep Singh Bishnoi





Co-Curricula	r Report		
Classes	Date	Event	Position
VI and VII	Feb 6	Spelling Bee	2nd
VI and VII	March 6	Hindi/Punjabi Poetry Recitation	2nd
VIII and IX	March 13	English Literary	lst
VI and VII	March 20	Quiz	3rd
VIII and IX	April 8	Hindi/Punjabi Declamation	2nd
VI and VII	April 24	English Declamation	5th
VI to XII	May 2-3	English Plays	3rd
X, XI and XII	July 24	Just a Minute	3rd
VIII and IX	July 31	Quiz	3rd
VIII and IX	August 7	Math Olympiad	2nd
VI and VII	August 14	Computer Quiz	3rd
VIII and IX	August 21	Computer Quiz	l st
X, XI and XII	September 4	English Literary	5th
X, XI and XII	September I I	English Poetry Recitation	3rd
VI and VII	September 18	Math Olympiad	3rd
VI and VII	September 25	Just a Minute	3rd
X, XI and XII	October 9	Oxford Style Debate	3rd
VIII and IX	October 21	English Debate	5th
X, XI and XII	October 24	Quiz	lst
VI-XII	October 26	Music	5th

### Sports Report

Group	Date	Event	Position
All	February 14-19	Athletics	lst
Ab-14	April 16-22	Basketball	4th
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Girls	April 16-22	Basketball	5th
Ab-14	March 16-17	Cricket	2nd
U-14	March 16-17	Cricket	3rd
Ab-14	September 2-10	Football	5th
U-14	September 2-10	Football	2nd
Girls	September 2-10	Football	3rd
Ab-14	November 11-18	Hockey	4th
U-14	November 11-18	Hockey	lst
Girls	November 11-18	Hockey	4th
IV-XII	November 14	Cross Country	2nd





# **RANJIT** HOUSE REPORT

**Junior School** House Master

**House Council Body** Boys' House Captain Girls' House Captain

Senior School House Master

House Council Body Boys' House Captain Girls' House Captain House Prefects

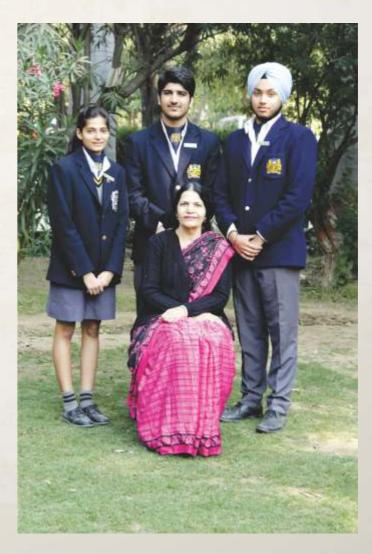
School Council Body Head Girl (Junior School) Co-curricular Captain Boarding House Captain Ms Harsimrat Chahal

Suhel Singh Randhawa Sanvi Chaudhary

Ms Manjit Kaur

Sumeet S. Dhillon Vrindha Talwar Ashish Pal Singh Karan Singh

Bismanjot Kaur Bikramjit Singh Suri Talwinder Singh





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VIII and IX	August 7	Math Olympiad	4th
VI and VII	August 14	Computer Quiz	2nd
VIII and IX	August 21	Computer Quiz	3rd
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VI and VII	September 18	Math Olympiad	5th
VI and VII	September 25	Just a Minute	4th
X, XI and XII	October 9	Oxford Style Debate	5th
VIII and IX	October 21	English Debate	lst
X, XI and XII	October 24	Quiz	5th
VI-XII	October 26	Music	lst

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## Sports Report

Group	Date	Event	Position
All	14/2 to19/2	Athletics	4th
Ab 14	16/4 to 22/4	Basketball	5th
U 14	16/4 to 22/4	Basketball	lst
Girls	16/4 to 22/4	Basketball	2nd
Ab 14	16/3 and 17/3	Cricket	5th
U 14	16/3 and 17/3	Cricket	lst
Ab 14	2/9 to 10/9	Football	5th
U 14	2/9 to 10/9	Football	lst
Girls	2/9 to 10/9	Football	2nd
Ab 14	/   to  8/	Hockey	5th
U 14	/   to  8/	Hockey	2nd
Girls	/   to  8/	Hockey	3rd
IV to XII	14/11	Cross Country	3rd





## **TAGORE** HOUSE REPORT

**Junior School** House Master

**House Council Body** Boys' House Captain Girls' House Captain

Senior School House Master

House Council Body Boys' House Captain Girls' House Captain House Prefects

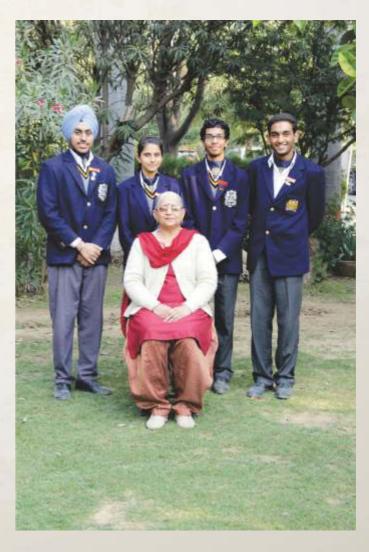
School Council Body Head Boy Ms Nanak Kaur

Dhruvraj Singh Duggal Harnoor Kaur

Ms Gurmeet Tiwana

Siddhartha Yaddanapudi Anya Gupta Madhav Pubby Harmanpreet Singh Gill

Navraj Singh Saini





Co-Curricular Report			Sports Report			
Classes	Date	Event	Position	Group	Date	Event
VI and VII	Feb 6	Spelling Bee	4th	All	14/2 to19/2	Athletics
VI and VII	March 6	Hindi/Punjabi Poetry Recitation	5th	Ab 14	16/4 to 22/4	Basketball
VIII and IX	March 13	English Literary	2nd	U 14	16/4 to 22/4	Basketball
VI and VII	March 20	Quiz	2nd	Girls	16/4 to 22/4	Basketball
VIII and IX	April 8	Hindi/Punjabi Declamation	4th	Ab 14	16/3 and 17/3	Cricket
VI and VII	April 24	English Declamation	lst	U 14	16/3 and 17/3	Cricket
VI to XII	May 2-3	English Plays	lst	Ab 14	2/9 to 10/9	Football
X, XI and XII	July 24	Just a Minute	5th	U 14	2/9 to 10/9	Football
VIII and IX	July 3 I	Quiz	2nd	Girls	2/9 to 10/9	Football
VIII and IX	August 7	Math Olympiad	lst	Ab 14	/   to  8/	Hockey
VI and VII	August 14	Computer Quiz	4th	U 14	/   to  8/	Hockey
VIII and IX	August 21	Computer Quiz	lst	Girls	/   to  8/	Hockey
X, XI and XII	September 4	English Literary	2nd	IV to XII	14/11	Cross Country
X, XI and XII	September II	English Poetry Recitation	3rd			
VI and VII	September 18	Math Olympiad	lst			
VI and VII	September 25	Just a Minute	lst	( Cont		a partie
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VI-XII	October 26	Music	lst		Care and Car	J N M

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## BOARDING HOUSE REPORT

#### **Chandragupta House**

House Master Assistant House Master

Dr. Bhupindra Mann Mr. Nirmal Singh Mr Susnata Har

#### Ajit House

House Master	Ms. Jasve
Assistant House Master	Mrs. Ekta

Ms. Jasveen Bhinder Mrs. Ekta

### **Boarding House Appointments**

Captain	Talwinder Singh		
Prefects	Amitaj Singh Bhinder		
	Mandeep Bishnoi		

The Boarding House of Yadavindra Public School is home to the young people who avail of the excellent facilities it has to offer. Taking care to ensure their best for their wards, the Boarding House faculty supports them to do their best not only in the field of education but also in their life. Pupils benefit from a range of excellent amenities, resources, and personal care. Children form lifelong bonds with their peers and the faculty members who look after them.

The Boarding House teaches the boarders' time management and makes them realise the value of

time because everything in the Boarding House is organised in time slots with fixed timings for meals, prep and sports. Great value is placed upon personal responsibility and consideration of others.

The Boarding House staff treats the boarders as members of one large family. They take an active interest in their lives and encourage them to participate in studies, activities and community service. Housemasters share with their assistants, tutors and House matrons the duties and responsibilities of caring for children who may well be away from home for the first time.

The promotion of equality and diversity is outstanding. The school recognises and values equality and diversity such that boarders benefit from an atmosphere of inclusion and respect, and from the positive experience of being part of a vibrant and active multi-cultural community. The Boarding House Prefects' Council helps in maintaining discipline of the House by helping the housemaster. The seniors are always on hand to motivate their juniors to do well in academics as well as in other activities.

YPS has a very good catering facility. Breakfast, lunch (weekends) and dinner are exclusively made for the boarders. Fruit break and lunch on school days are taken along with day boarders. The meals are balanced nutritionally, with both vegetarian and non-vegetarian options available. The menu ranges from Chinese, South Indian and even continental food. In addition, there are several "special dinners" exclusively for the boarders on special occasions.

Boarders have been given access to a number of facilities which include wide variety of activities such as sports, art, dance and music etc. The Boarding House has some of the most promising players of the school.

Entertainment is a very important part of every boarding house and the YPS Boarding House is no exception. The boarders enjoy a movie every Saturday night and other amenities like TV and music system that are installed on each floor. They are taken every month to the cinemas. In addition to these regular events, the Boarding House also organises special visits. The Chandragupta House visited the Chandigarh Lawn Tennis Association Stadium, Sector-10, to watch the match between CLTA and Madrid Tennis Association, and to Sukhna Lake to be a part of the carnival that was held there.

Ajit house went to Panchkula Park and Dagshai Hills for a picnic.

Thus, on the whole the YPS Boarding House has everything that a boarder wants and is a wonderful mix of academics, sports and cocurricular activities.



## □ FAREWELL CLASS XII

Bidding adieu to friends and seniors, on November 25, 2013, the students of Class XI organised a farewell party for the outgoing Class XII. As the evening approached, the Gym Hall as well as the area outside the dining hall lit up with fairy lights and the smiles of the arriving guests. The evening was presided over by the Principal, Mr RP Devgan, and Mrs Sumali Devgan. Mrs Anita Kashyap, the Vice Principal, supervised the proceedings of the day. The event was beautifully anchored by Kajal Sharma and Himmat Singh Tiwana.

The evening began with games like "Dancing Clusters", "Ad-Pack" and "Guess Who", which was followed by the highlight of the evening, the ramp walk for the coveted title of the 'Best Dressed' students.

Priya Ahluwalia and Anya Gupta emerged as winners of "Dancing Clusters". Madhav Pubby and Gurjant were declared the 'Best Dressed' (Boys), and Anmol Dosanjh and Simrata Grewal were the 'Best Dressed' (Girls).

This was followed by the "Awards Night @ YPS" a unique collection of awards designed by Class XI for their seniors. These went to Nikita M Charan as the 'Cry Baby', Simrata Grewal as the 'Buttering Champ', Taarini Ravjit as the 'Whangdoodle of the Year', Bikramjeet Suri as the 'Meghaphone' and Madhav Pubby as the 'Super Dude' among others. The 'YPS Peace Prize' went to Arjun Ram Singh Dhaliwal and Gurneet Aujla walked away with the 'Shaant Award'

The cake cutting ceremony followed, with the Head Boy and Head Girl cutting the cake to loud applause from all present. Everyone gathered around the lovely bonfire for a sumptuous dinner. The Class XI students sang two farewell songs for the outgoing batch. This was followed by Harman Gill of the outgoing Class XII singing a self-composed song about how much they would all miss YPS.

The evening ended on a solemn note with the Principal giving away the mementos to the whole batch, with comments given to them by their juniors. The party ended leaving behind memories of a splendid evening, nostalgic recollections and some very heavy hearts.







# **BIDDING** ADIEU

### A Teacher's Prayer

A sculptor took a piece of clay and moulded perfectly The figure of a little child, so beautiful to see: But when I held it in my hand, no warmth of life was there Its cold, unchangeable beauty was all that it could share. God sent a little child to me that I might supervise The teaching that would satisfy the wonder in his eyes; And when I took his little hand, to guide him on his way, I felt the warmth of trust and love he shares with me each day. "And so, dear God, I come to Thee, in all humility, To ask for wisdom, strength and love that I may always be The kind of teacher who can help, in some kind, loving way, To mould a better, stronger child with

every passing day."

### Class XII-E



Amandeep Singh Sobti He is an excellent hockey player. The Sports Captain is always found chilling around the campus and is known for his good nature and great sense of humour. He will fondly remember his trip to Pakistan with the school.



Amanat Dhiman The Nalagarh House Captain, called 'AJ' by her friends, is among the nicest people in YPS. She is known as 'one of the wise ones'.



Amar Singh Sekhon The Patiala House Captain is known for his sense of humour and his happy personality. *"Sekhon Saab"*, as he is called, is the shortest guy in the class, but doesn't mind being joked about.



Angatveer The Aitchison House Perfect is very friendly and helpful towards his juniors. He is quiet and is known for his gentleman-like qualities.



Anmol Dosanjh A cute face with a lively smile, this Aitchison House Captain is liked by all. A kind and sweet person to talk to she enjoys life and the friendship of all.



Ashishpal Singh The Ranjit House Prefect, popularly known as 'Pal Saab' is good-natured and is always making people laugh. He is a very lively person and is always in trouble with Savita ma'am.



Bikramjeet Suri The Co-curricular Captain is always ready to start a debate. The credit for his success goes to his hard work and dedication. We hope he fulfils his ambition of conquering Wall Street one day.



Dinesh Uppal Popularly known as 'Danny', he is known for his skills on the basketball court. He is always keen to help and motivate his juniors. A very humble and polite person, he loves reading books, even those in the syllabus.



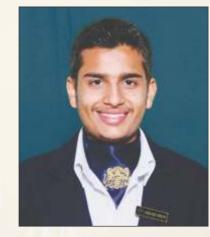
Gurpreet Sharma More commonly known as 'BCS', he's won over several friends in a short span of time with his sincerity and agreeability. Though a reserved person, his stories (both the fictional and non-fictional ones) are popular among his friends.



Kamalpreet Singh Gill Very polite to his batch mates and juniors alike, he loves playing volleyball and is fond of Punjabi songs. He is known in the Boarding House for having a killer smile.



Navjeet Singh Cheema Popularly known by his surname, he is always in a jolly mood. There is no question that Harinder Ma'am's favourite student cannot answer. He loves to debate over trivial things and is more often seen outside the class than in it.



Navraj Singh Saini The school Head Boy is a very popular person on the campus. He's friendly with juniors and always tries to assist them in any way he can. He's an ace hockey player and is fond of quizzing – an all-rounder in the true sense.



Princepreet Sandhu He is a quiet and shy person and a true Punjabi at heart. His quirky sense of humour leaves his classmates laughing till their sides ache.



Rajesh Sharma

Popularly known as *Halwai*', he has made his passion for eating sweets well known. He is good humoured and talkative. He believes that 'rules are made to be broken' and is constantly at loggerheads with Tiwana ma'am over one issue or the other.



Rana Ran Pratap Singh Rai He is a shy student and is a storehouse of creativity. He loves to write, and is fond of Punjabi poetry and music.



Shubhkarman Singh Sandhu He is popularly known as 'SK' or 'Monty'. The Aitchison House Captain is known for his loud and booming voice and is a favourite among all juniors.



#### Simrita Grewal

The Sports Captain is a very lovable person. Her counseling sessions are high in demand. If she had it her way, she would not miss out on any activity in school, be it Basketball and Football, the Founders day play or topping the class.



Amitaj Bhinder Known as 'Amy Cool', he is a very friendly person. The Boarding House Prefect is also an ace basketball player and has found a place in the YPS community very quickly.



#### Vrindha Talwar

More popularly known as 'Bhindi', she is a very good badminton player. The Ranjit House Captain is a very creative person and is brimming with new ideas. She is fun loving and in her enthusiasm often talks faster than anyone can follow. She is loved by all her friends and juniors.



Anya Gupta The Tagore House Captain has won the hearts of nearly everyone with her charming personality and pretty face. She is an amazing football player and is a very creative and expressive person.

### **Class XII-N**



Garima Pandey The Environment Captain is a very helpful and chirpy person and is seen solving problems everywhere. She loves to interact with people and is good at heart.



Gurjant Thind The ace cricketer, often called 'Janta' by his friends is a favourite among juniors and the Boarding House. He has the skill to make anyone laugh and is a dependable person.



Harman Bawa A humble person, he is also the Patiala House Prefect. Popularly known as 'Bawa' and 'Velly' among his friends, he is a very responsible and sincere person.



Harmanpreet Singh Gill Harman's amazing voice and sweet personality has won over everyone's hearts, and has already made him famous beyond school. He is a happy-go-lucky person and is loved by all his friends.



Himmat Ahlawat An ace basketball player, Himmat has a jovial attitude. He has a friendly and interactive nature and is always seen with the junior boarders.



Karan Singh The very lively Ranjit House Prefect is always seen lightening up the campus with his jokes. He knows how to have fun and enjoy life. His great sense of humour is only matched by his excellent looks.



#### Madhav Pubby

The Tagore House Prefect and our Editor-in-Chief is famous for his love of metal music, his theories, and especially his curly hair. Always at ease with the ladies, he also has a following among the juniors. He has many nicknames and many talents, all of which he dispenses with his unique "Madhavness"



Nikita M. Charan The Music Captain, also an excellent orator, has a unique ability to convince people with her words. She is a multi-talented person who is adept at kathak and playing the guitar. She is friendly with one and all.



#### Priya Ahluwalia Our Deputy Head Girl is a strict disciplinarian and ensured that everyone follows the rules. Beneath this she is a very caring person and has a pleasing personality and is a fan of Sidney Sheldon books.



Ravtesh She is a sensible girl with a serious yet relaxed approach towards life. The Nalagarh House Prefect is very responsible towards her duties and has a liking for Punjabi Music and Vampire fiction.



Shaanpreet Singh Dhaliwal Very popular among his hostel buddies, the Nalagarh House Prefect is a huge fan of Punjabi music and has a lively personality.



#### Sugampreet

A very helpful and generous person with a sweet voice who is always seen with a smile on her face. She is always seen with her friend Sukham and is good at studies.



#### Sukham Sond

She is a very artistic person with a strong personality, known for her big heart and cute face. She is very ambitious and is a straightforward person. She is always seen with her friend Sugam.



#### Taarini Ravjit

The Head Girl is an asset to the school. The international football player is always looking for a chance to make the school proud. Good at art and great at heart, she has brought many prizes to the school with her artistic skill. We won't try to limit her abilities by enumerating them.



Talwinder Singh Bhullar Popularly known as '*Tallu*', he is the Boarding House Captain. Liked by his juniors for his good nature and pleasing personality, he takes his duties seriously and maintains proper conduct in the Boarding House.



Uday Singh Brar The Patiala House Prefect and the School Football team Captain is an amazing sportsperson, but forever suffering from injuries. He is a polite boy who knows how to keep secrets. Class XII-O



Amandeep Benipal The Aitchison House Prefect is a bubbly and talkative person, who was part of the school basketball team. She is known for her famous PJs which are actually quite funny. She is also known for her butter fingers.



Arjun Ram Singh Dhaliwal The deputy head boy is a gentleman and one of the sincerest workers in the Prefect Council. He is very popular, even in the junior school and is an eternal guide to his juniors. He has been a role model for all students. The 'Batman' fan is among the most agreeable people in school.



Bir Kanwar Singh He is a humble and down-to-earth person who is very hard working. A dedicated reader, he prefers reading books even in his free lessons. His many hidden abilities are known only to his friends.



#### Gurdil Khera

Vaishali Ma'am's favourite student is a very jolly person. His motto in life is simple – No Tension! He enjoys playing football in the basketball court. His humorous stories have won the hearts of one and all.



#### Gurneet Aujla

The Patiala House Captain is a very sweet girl. She is very particular about discipline and uniform. She was the first in the basketball team to score a 3-pointer. She is universally loved.



Jasmine Narang The Co-curricular Captain is a very chilled-out person, contrary to her 'studious' image. She is a multitasker, who manages a lot on her platter, mainly

because of her hard work, initiative and perseverance.



Ketan Chaudhary His sharp mind is evident both in the classroom and on the hockey field. He is always found with his best friend Mandeep.



Mandeep Bishnoi The Boarding House Prefect, popularly known as 'Mandy' has a bold and dominating personality. He is a favourite among his juniors. He is a good hockey player and a sincere student.

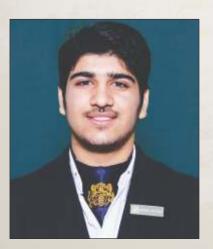


Sahaj Punian The Eid ka Chand of YPS, was rarely in class due to her unfortunate affinity with illness. Forever gazing at airplanes, her dream of becoming a pilot will hopefully come true.



#### Siddhartha Yaddanapudi

The Tagore House Captain is famous in the school and beyond for his extraordinary achievements, both on the field and off it. He is an ace athlete and a quiz whiz. It would take the entire yearbook to list his abilities. He is candid about his views.



Sumeet Singh Dhillon The Ranjit House Captain is a quiet person and is loved by everyone. He is reliable, good natured and can be humorous when amongst his friends.



Yuvraj Singh No item of gossip misses the scrutiny of the Nalagarh House Captain. He is popularly known as *"Yograaj"* or *"Ludi"*. He has borne his responsibilities well and seeks to become a doctor.