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## 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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## THE HEADMASTER'S MESSAGE



It is with great pleasure that we present the YPS Year Book 2016. The aim is always to celebrate the achievements and events and provide a memento which we all may look on fondly in the years to come.

I am extremely proud to serve as Headmaster of YPS, Mohali, and am indeed very fortunate to have a very dedicated staff. The support of the parents too has been very encouraging. Support to the school and working together makes a difference to the success and happiness of our children.

We live in exciting and rapidly changing times making children more important than ever. At the present time we need education that prepares young people to be lifelong learners. In today's world those who learn to adapt and adjust to the many changes in the future are ones who will be successful and happy.

Today the world needs not only well-educated and intelligent people, but also people who are considerate and compassionate. I would love to see our students become moral and intellectual leaders; people of dignity, honesty and compassion who want to make a positive difference to the world.

I have tremendous confidence in the future of the young Yadavindrians who step into the outside world and do the school and the community proud. Our endeavour is to strive to give our children the best education possible at all times and be a happy, challenging and a forward thinking school.

RP Devgan Headmaster



## **EDITORIAL**

As my time comes to bid adieu to an institution of many wonders, I would like to recount the beautiful memories spent, the relationships formed, both old and new, and the experiences gained. My school experience can be justly described as a book... A book, that forms one's life, that consumes one's soul and makes us learn, and one, that you never want to finish. But, since finishing is inevitable, you want to always keep it by your side and cherish it.

YPS has been such a book and I couldn't have asked for a better one! This school has taught me skills and principles that I can never forget. As I look back, I feel proud for participating in so many competitions, but also regret not participating in many others. Each of these opportunities teaches you that losing is alright, but not when you don't give it your hundred percent; it teaches you to appreciate others for possessing certain skills that you lack; it teaches you to be confident and to hold your head high; it teaches you the basic principles of life. Being proud, yet humble; wanting to

achieve, yet remaining undeterred when faced with failure.

We have been provided with the best, and it is up to us to make use of it. Take part in everything, from the athletic meet and other sport events, to the numerous debates and quizzes! It forms a platform for one to discover one's abilities, to hone one's skills and to achieve great heights! Unleash your inner strength and talent and explore. There is no better training ground than YPS. It will definitely provide you with such high moral values, that you will want to hold on to them forever. Study well, take part in competitions, make friends, have fun and do fall into trouble at least once! Because all this makes the experience of school unforgettable. Always remember, this school is the way it is because of the most wonderful role models - our teachers. Learn from them, talk to them and most importantly, respect them.

Thus, school is just one book in a series of books, called 'life'. But, it is one of the most

important books, as it shapes everything that will happen in the future. Make it as wonderful and fantastic as possible, so you never look back to regret it.

And as I take leave, I wish you all the very best for your endeavors and for all that is in store for you. May you all take the school to greater heights and achieve much more. Exceed expectations and continue to grow and evolve.



Sanya Arora Editor-in-Chief

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# INVESTITURE CEREMONY



"Leadership is lifting a person's vision to high sights, the raising of a person's performance to a higher standard, the building of a personality beyond its normal limitations."

— Peter Drucker

This solemn and important occasion of the year, vests the students' Prefect Council with a badge of command and trusts them with the responsibility of upholding the integrity of the school. The Prefects' Council undertakes an oath on behalf of the school, promising to lead diligently and to uphold the honour bestowed on them. YPS held its Investiture Ceremony on January 30, 2015.

Concurrently it was an official farewell to the former Prefects' Council which saw elation mixed with emotion as the outgoing Prefects handed over the charge of service to the newer lot.

The Headmaster praised the outgoing Prefects for finding the perfect balance of power and compassion, courage and responsibility. By demonstrating exemplary commitment to duty, they had inspired others to dream more, do more and become more.

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**TAGORE HOUSE** 

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PREFECTS Vishesh Chandhok, Darshbir Singh

# FOUNDER'S DAY 2015



L-R: Headmaster Mr RP Devgan, Chief Guest Mr Tom Alter, Chairman Raja Malvinder Singh

D. Roosevelt said "Success lies in the joy of achievement and the thrill of creative effort!"

Celebrating the success of one more year in YPS, the XXXVIth Founder's Day Celebration was held on April 9, 2015. This year's celebrations were made more memorable by the presence of the Chief Guest, Mr. Tom Alter, the recipient of the prestigious Padamshree title. His speech on 'contradictions' existing within our society certainly gave the guests a different perspective to life.

The prize distribution ceremony was followed by a cultural programme which focused on 'Unity among Nations', 'Brotherhood' and promoting friendship. With vibrant costumes and lively performances by the children ranging from Grade IV to XII, the audience was enthralled!

Dances like Flamenco, Russian folk dance, Bhangra were a sight to watch, and the choir singing melodious songs in Hindi, English and Spanish was well-appreciated.

> Clockwise from top left: Sophia Deitrich as 'gabru punjab da' with Harshdeep; Junior School Choir; 'Dhitaan dhitaan bole'; Flamenco dancers



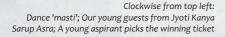








One of the first major and eagerly awaited events of the year was the Fete which was inaugurated by the Headmaster, Mr RP Devgan. The students enjoyed games like 'Fish the Bottle', 'Lucky Dip', 'Paint your Face' and 'Feed the Clown'. The main attractions of the fete were 'The Columbus' and camel rides. There were food stalls such as 'Dominos', 'Swiss Chocolates', 'YPS Food Stall' and a souvenir stall where the visitors bought school mugs, school ties, badges, caps, T-shirts and key chains. In the middle of the field was the Request Stall where songs were played on special requests and dedications. The Hobbies Stall showcased various items like recycled paper and handicrafts made by students. The Gym Hall was given a completely new look and modified into a discotheque and the 'Jam Session' was a huge hit among the students and outsiders. The Fete like always was a two day event and in the evening of the second day the much awaited 'Raffle Draw' took place. This year too, around eighty under-privileged girls from Jyoti Kanya Sarup Asra were invited to the School Fete. They enjoyed free rides, lunch and snacks and were given gifts as well.









## MAY DAY CELEBRATIONS









"Without workers, no civilisation could be built!"

- Mehmet Murat ildan

May Day was celebrated in our school on May 1, 2015. It is a day to show our appreciation of our Class IV employees who work hard throughout the year to ensure the smooth functioning of the school. The Staff and the Prefects' Council together organised a number of games and fun-filled activities for them, and it was a pleasure to see the smiles on their faces as they received their prizes. Small tokens of appreciation were also given to each by the Headmaster. This was followed by tea and snacks which were served by the staff and students. The employees also enjoyed a movie show arranged especially for them in the dining hall.

Clockwise from top left: Musical Chairs; The potato-spoon race; Breaking bread together; And then there were four...

# PROJECT S.E.A.R.C.H - H2U PROJECT

It is said that the first step towards change is awareness and the next, acceptance. In the world of fast-paced lives and reckless consumption, Yadavindrians are a part of an environmental revolution. Yadavindra Public School, Mohali, is a Project S.E.A.R.C.H (Sensitization, Education and Awareness on Recycling for a Cleaner Habitat) school under Tetra Pak and the TERI (The Energy and Resource Institute) school education programme to promote recycling and environmental concern.

Under Project S.E.A.R.C.H, TERI selects young leaders from across the country to participate in a leadership programme organized in May annually. In 2015, Sajneet Mangat of Class X-E was one of 37 students from pan India to attend the STEP (Sensitizing, Training and Empowering Peers) camp in Goa. Here STEP leaders are trained to implement a sustainable development project in their respective cities.

Clockwise from top left: STEP camp at Goa; the 'deedees' said we must stay happy; KIT: Keep in Touch

Under this, Sajneet Mangat devised the 'Happy and Healthy You' Project, more commonly called the H2U Project. A team of nine students were selected as members to carry out the project. They educated and sensitized the children of the Economically Weaker Section from Classes III, IV and V of the Government Primary School, Mataur, on three main areas of self-development—happiness and conscience, health and cleanliness, and awareness about the self. They taught the children effective ways to happiness and fulfillment through simple goals like brushing their teeth properly or throwing their litter in the classroom bin. The Project worked successfully for two months and received positive reviews from the target and online audiences.









## ISA REPORT

Yadavindra Public School, Mohali has been awarded the prestigious 'International School Award' by the British Council for incorporating an international dimension in its curriculum, across all three sections of the school, for the years 2015-2018.

The International School Award recognises and celebrates exemplary practices of internationalism in schools. It is a benchmarking scheme that accredits schools as having an outstanding level of support for nurturing global citizenship in young people and enriching teaching and learning.

Working on the guidelines provided by the British Council has resulted in a positive impact on not just the students, but also the teachers and school in entirety. The British Council has awarded certificates to the team of teachers, who spearheaded various projects in their classes. The Team comprises: The Headmaster, Mr. R.P. Devgan, Coordinators, Harleen Singh and Anjali Arora.

The school implemented 8 projects, of which, the one in Science was completely online and the City Magazine project was in collaboration with the Lahore Grammar School, Pakistan.



Project 1:
Celebrating Diversity
Project Head: Ms. Rajdeep Bains
Students from Grades VI to XII
were familiarized with specific

International Days: Earth Day, Shakespeare's Birthday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday, International Day of Nonviolence, International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, World Tourism Day, World Food Day, Id-Ul-Fitr and globally relevant values such as Sharing, Peace, Selflessness, Spirit of Freedom, Friendship, Tolerance and Kindness, were brought out through skits at the school Assembly.



Project 2: Celebrating Motherhood Project Head: Ms. Kwi Suk Kang, Ms. Harsimrat Chahal



The activities (across grades IV and V) involved sensitizing the children to the role of Mothers and on the occasion of Mothers' Day compared the cultures and

how it is celebrated in India and Korea. Students wrote short poems on 'Mothers' and also learnt a few Korean words..



Project 3:
Toon Parade
Project Head: Ms. Sukhjit Kaur
All the students of the
Kindergarten learnt about various

characters of Disneyland and around the World, their countries of origin, greetings in a foreign language, the location of Disneyland and moral values through their respective fairy tales. Their learning culminated in a fairy tale wonder, enacted by the students.



Project 4:
The City Magazine
(Collaborative, Online)
Project Head: Ms. Anjali Arora

Students from grades VI-XII created an e-magazine and contributed poems, stories, recipes and articles on their city. They also explored what constitutes humour in their own city and compared it with a city abroad.

Students of Grade XII made presentations and short movies on 'Chandigarh', which were uploaded on the link

'theemagazine.blogspot.com' and shared with the collaborating partner school, Lahore Grammar School, who in turn uploaded presentations on the city of Lahore. The experience was highly rewarding for all involved.



Project 5:
Earthquakes and their
management in the Circum
Pacific and Mid Atlantic belt
Project Head: Ms. Ekta

The project involved students across two grades to explore the facts about earthquakes occurring in their home country and the regions in the Mid Atlantic Belt. Students studied Earthquake Management techniques in their own geographical regions as well as in Japan. They were also exposed to the concept of disaster management by carrying out relief drills.



Project 6:

'Students as Scientists'

(Online)

Project Head: Ms. Harleen Singh Students across grade VIII and IX

researched and presented innovations made by the common people in different countries, using resources available locally, to find solutions to problems in their everyday lives. They also showcased their ingenuity to create a 'Jugaad' innovation using locally available resources. A completely online project, the students made presentations, created infographics and shared their findings and innovations on the blog, 'scienceissfun.blogspot.com', created by them.



Project 7:
'Foot to height'
Project Head: Ms. Amarjit Taak
The project engaged the students
of grade VII in researching and

exploring the relationship between the mathematical and biological study of the human foot size and its application in the field of Forensics. The students did a comparative study of the varying size of the feet with their respective heights and contrasted the data of Indians and foreign nationals.



Project 8: 'Why some countries are richer than others'

**Project Head: Ms. Harinder Kaur** The project involved students of

Grade XI and XII in exploring facts about the economic development of Developing and Developed countries and understand the various factors that affect the economic condition of a country.

#### Reflections

The ISA programme has been a great learning experience, both in terms of technology enhancement as well as in management skills. Working on the Action Plan and the Portfolio has encouraged collaboration and critical thinking. The success of this programme is largely due to the support and vision of the Headmaster, Mr RP Devgan.

The act of adding an International Dimension to our ongoing activity based learning methodology has given the students a Global perspective and widened their scope of thought and understanding. In spite of facing a number of challenges, the single mindedness and focus of implementing this project, ensured that it was a success.

## SYMPHONY—MUSIC OF THE SPHERES









"Symphony—Music of the Spheres", a festival of dance and music was held in school on December 6, 2015.

The festival was non-competitive in nature and five schools participated in this event. They were, The British Co-Ed High School, Patiala; St Stephens School, Chandigarh; St Xaviers High School, Panchkula; Yadavindra Public School, Patiala, and Yadavindra Public School, Mohali. Every school put up remarkable performances. Mr Harold Carver, Principal, St Stephens School, Chandigarh, graced the event as its Chief Guest. On the occasion he said that he was happy to see music and dance celebrated in a non-competitive event. He also stressed the importance of the arts in the overall development of the child. The teachers and students put in tremendous efforts to make this event a successful one. We look forward to more years of this festival with greater participation, greater performances and lots more fun.

Clockwise from top left: Bhangra; L-R: Ms Rosa (Principal, Br. Co-Ed, Patiala), Mr H Carver (Principal, St. Stephens School), Mr RP Devgan, Ms Anita Kashyap; The School Choir; Kathak Dancers

## INTER-SCHOOL IT COMPETITION

YPS hosted an Inter-School IT competition on December 28, 2015. It featured events like Brochure Designing, PowerPoint Presentation and Programming and witnessed enthusiastic participation from nine schools. Manav Mangal Smart School, Mohali, came first in Brochure Designing, with YPS, Mohali, coming first for PowerPoint and Strawberry Fields, Chandigarh, coming in first for Programming. Bhavan Vidyalaya, Panchkula, was adjudged the best team.

Clockwise from top Teams at work; Assessing merit is not an easy task; Pranav Raj and Jaskirat Lamba with their prize winning entry; The team from Bhavan Vidyalaya, Panchkula.









# LAHORE GRAMMAR SCHOOL @ YPS



The scene at the railway station in the play 'Manawala'

"One day there will be no borders, no boundaries, no flags and no countries and the only passport will be the heart."

~ Carlos Santana

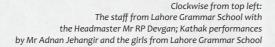
From February 23-25, 2015, Junior School was humming with excitement as our students and staff participated in the maiden Cultural Exchange Programme between Lahore Grammar School and Yadavindra Public School. The Junior School corridor was decorated with a beautiful display on the rich diversity of India and the children had dressed up in ethnic costumes. The guests were given a warm welcome and a tour of our school.

Special performances were put up by students of both the schools. Boys from Lahore Grammar School presented an entertaining play "Manawala" and the Kathak performance by the girls from Lahore Grammar School was enchanting. On their part, students of YPS performed a short skit and gave an energetic Dandiya performance. The show-stealer was a mesmerizing Kathak performance by Mr Adnan Jehangir (Teacher) from LGS.

A cooking demonstration for the visiting teachers was also held. The students of LGS

and YPS also participated in 'Spin-a-Yarn' activity where the teams impressed everyone with their spontaneity and creativity.

The children and staff from Lahore Grammar School were taken to Patiala where they visited the British Co-Ed School. They loved spending time in Sector 17 and Elante`Mall in Chandigarh. Their visit was rounded off with a Farewell Dinner at the Headmaster's residence.









# KINDERGARTEN REPORT





Nature trail

"Excellence is a journey not a destination!" This is what defines the staff of Kindergarten. New challenges in the New Year are the norm for the teachers! Challenging their own previous best, vibrating with positive energy and vigour, the year 2015 marked its exception with the first of many things.

For the first time in the history of YPS, '100 days of Kindergarten' was celebrated by the Nursery and the toddlers won the hearts of one and all.

Innovative and creative methodology of teaching is what differentiates the good from the best. UKG and LKG marched their way into the dining hall for the first time. Partaking



Putting the final touches to the display

lunch there was a great experience for the tiny tots and soon became a habit.

Literary week was celebrated to create awareness amongst the children about the importance of literacy and discover the joys of reading & writing.

The theme of the year – Creating Curious

Children – was set to tune by familiarizing
children with their surroundings. The biggest
benefits were getting outside in the natural
world and enjoying the variety and creativity
found in nature and appreciation of the
beautiful world in which we live. Beaming with
excitement the children visited the Rose
Garden, Chhatbir Zoo and Nature's Trail.

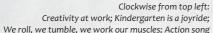


Say no to Polio

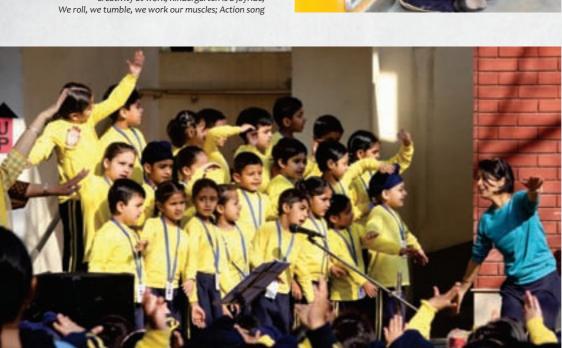
The most awaited event of the year is the Annual Day. This year the Kindergarten witnessed a heart-stirring performance in a musical – "All Things Bright and Beautiful". It was a perfect blend of enactment, singing and dancing with a beautiful backdrop, well-designed costumes and props.

Every child has an artist within, and it is of the utmost importance for a teacher to understand, encourage and groom this talent. Artist's day was celebrated towards the end of the session, showcasing the ingenious work of a creative mind. UKG displayed wild animals at the Chhatbir Zoo. LKG displayed beautiful Peacocks, Sunflowers and Caterpillars, giving an amazing view of the 'Leisure Valley'.

Following close behind was the Nursery with a perfect view of the Sukhna Lake symbolized by colorful roses, pretty lady bugs, trees and swans. Last, but not the least, children made self-portraits which allowed for the maximum amount of artistic freedom. All this was magically put together using wasted cartons, bottles, toilet-paper rolls, newspapers etc. This was the perfect ending to the session.











## **NURSERY**



## LOWER KINDERGARTEN





# JUNIOR SCHOOL REPORT



## **INVESTITURE CEREMONY**

"How we think shows through in how we act. Attitudes are mirrors of the mind. They reflect thinking."

~David Joseph Schwartz

The Investiture Ceremony for the Junior School was held on February 04, 2015. The Headmaster pinned badges and administered the oath to the new appointments and they promised to carry out their responsibilities with sincerity and full dedication.

Head Boy	Manraj Singh
Head Girl	Nandini
Co- Curricular Captain	Jasleen Kaur
Aitchison House	
Captain (Boys)	Tanmay Gupta
Captain (Girls)	Manya Bansal
Nalagarh House	
Captain (Boys)	Karan Virdi
Captain (Girls)	Haniya Sodhi
Patiala House	
Captain (Boys)	Ishaan Rawat
Captain (Girls)	Gurnoor Kaur
Ranjit House	
Captain (Boys)	Dakshmeet Singh
Captain (Girls)	Jasmine Kahlon
Tagore House	
Captain (Boys)	Uday Pal Singh

Aashna Goyal

Captain (Girls)

## **ACADEMIC REPORT**

"If you are planning for a year, sow rice; if you are planning for a decade, plant trees; if you are planning for a lifetime, educate people."

~ Chinese proverb

Every year education takes a quantum leap in terms of curriculum and technology. And yet, at the same time, the sole fact that remains is that education is not merely books, scores and percentages but a preparation for life. It's something that remains with us even after we pass out of school. It is then, when education becomes life!

In Junior School, the motto of education is to teach different life skills and values to children so that they turn out to be good citizens. The curriculum is designed so as to provide a healthy and stimulating environment to bring out the best in a child and various co-curricular activities were centered around this.

Co-curricular activities such as English, Hindi and Punjabi Poetry Recitation, Spelling Bee and Calligraphy help children hone their language skills. Activities like Spin-a-Yarn and Just-a-Minute aim at developing confidence, team spirit and improving the speaking skills of a child.

To make the children self-reliant and independent, activities such as tying the 'patka' and shoelaces and braiding of hair were carried out. These come in handy when the children are out for school treks or picnics. The Science and Social Studies Project Displays on the topics 'Evolution of Communication' and 'YPS at Play' were opportunities for our young enthusiastic participants to exhibit their innovative working models and research based projects.

Students of Classes I, II and III were also given a platform to showcase their talent. The Thematic Assemblies this year were based on the themes of 'Compassion', 'Flower Power' and 'Swacch Bharat'.

The festive spirit is kept alive by celebrating various festivals and occasions in which the students put their best foot forward to sing and dance and have fun.

To prepare the students for the competitive world outside, we incorporated different State and National Level Olympiads in our curriculum.







Learning compassion Winners all Project Display

## **ENGLISH**

English is best taught through speaking activities like Just-a-Minute, Spin-a-Yarn and Elocution. Children are encouraged to work in groups to discuss and hone their reading, writing and listening skills.

Readathon and the Reading Challenge (conducted by British Council) were the highlights of this session, where students competed with each other to read the maximum number of books. The enthusiasm could be seen by the frequent trips they made to the library. 'DEAR' time was eagerly awaited by one and all. Spelling Bee, Poetry Recitation and Calligraphy were the other activities organised for all the students of Classes I to V.

## **MATHEMATICS**

An integrated approach and practice of mathematical concepts cultivate thinking, logical reasoning and build a precise and analytical approach. Students engage in experiential learning of mathematical concepts and skills. Introduction to new concepts is done through activities and JODO GYAN KITS. Group activities help to promote peer learning. Extensive drilling is undertaken regularly using tools such as worksheets, Tata Edge and MCQs.

### **SCIENCE**

Science becomes interesting for children if they can relate its concepts to their daily life. To accomplish this, group projects and research work are encouraged. Students were familiarised with basic scientific apparatus and tools. The use of Discovery Room, Tata Class Edge interactive board and a cross-curricular approach further helps develop a scientific temper. This year the students showed keen interest in Science experiments and projects when they worked hard for the Science Project Display — 'Evolution of Communication'.

## **SOCIAL STUDIES**

To enable the students to be well-informed and aware of the world around them, research and group work is regularly incorporated in the curriculum. The use of the 'Discovery Room' also facilitates the development of the inquisitive mind of the students and takes

learning beyond the classroom. The Social Studies Project Display 'YPS at Play' highlighted the importance of games—how these games evolved and the role they played in developing different life skills. Traditional games such as Saanp Seedi, Gilli Danda, Kabaddi, Kith-Kith, Pachisi, Chess, Hunting, Archery, and contemporary games like Monopoly act as learning aids by sharpening the observational and motor skills of the children.

## **PUNJABI**

Punjabi periodicals and books on Punjabi literature were added to the library this year. To complement the growth of writing with effective verbal skills, students were trained for Punjabi elocution, poetry recitation and playacting in the classroom. To make the subject easy and interesting, AV aids and research work were also used.

### HINDI

In the year 2015, the Hindi Department took another step forward in making the teaching of Hindi more exciting by introducing project work and narration of stories through props. The children used waste material in innovative ways to make charts and props to communicate their ideas and thoughts while

using the language correctly. The interactive board helped the children connect better with the language and made learning Hindi a fun activity.

### **COMPUTERS**

Computers have become the lifeline of the young generation. To keep our students up-todate with the latest technology we introduced the use of internet for research work for Classes III, IV and V. Apart from the computer basics and MS-Office, students were made to work on HTML. They were given various projects related to their academic subjects. Models of the Keyboard, Computer System, Hologram Projector, Laptop and charts on A-Z of Computers were made by students. Using the skills learnt, our children made us proud by securing noteworthy positions at the Class, School and State level in the International Informatics Olympiad-2015. The students' entire year's work, along with models and charts, were presented during the Visual and Performing Art Exhibition.

## **WESTERN MUSIC**

Music always soothes the restlessness of a soul and the Junior School begins its day with a song by the choir. It has been a fulfilling year for the little musicians who sang songs from various genres on different occasions.

The year began with delegates and students visiting us from Lahore Grammar School, Pakistan, for an exchange programme. The Western Music Choir welcomed the guests with a song 'Welcome to the Family' and 'We Are the World'.

For Thematic assemblies of Classes I, II, and III, songs like 'Heal The World', 'Care for the Flowers' and 'Look Around You' were sung by the tiny tots to spread awareness about 'Compassion', 'Flower Power' and 'Swachh Bharat'. The Western Music Choir of Class V presented a song titled "I'll Stand by You", dedicated to Mother Teresa on the occasion of the School Founder's Day. The choir of Class IV presented a song 'Game On' for their Social Studies Project Display under the theme 'Evolution of Games'. The year ended with the spirit of Christmas where the entire Junior School swayed to the tunes of Christmas carols.

#### **INDIAN MUSIC**

Indian music is based on melody and rhythm. In the Indian Music class, children are taught the nuances of Sargam and Taal. Students showcase this talent in the morning assembly where they present classical as well as contemporary compositions. On Founder's Day, the audience was enthralled to hear "Zindagi Gulzar Hai" sung by the choir of Class IV and V. A Qawali was sung for Class V Science Project Display titled "History of Communication". The children of Classes I & II participated in an Inter School Music Competition held at Bhavan Vidyalaya, Chandigarh.

### DANCE

"Dancing is the poetry of the foot"

~ John Dryden

Students enjoy tapping their feet and learning new steps in the dance room. They look forward to presenting their skills on occasions like Holi, Shivaratri, Independence Day and Janamasthmi. Thematic assemblies, the Annual Play and the Dance Hobby are the other events where they exhibit their dancing skills.

### THEATRE

"I am confused by life, and I feel safe within the confines of theatre."

~ Halen Hayes

Theatre in the Junior School is more than

performance. Students improvise, tell stories and engage in puppetry and mime during theatre lessons. These activities teach them life skills, freedom of expression and enhance their imagination. A theatre workshop was held before the Annual Play which focused on ways to imbibe a new character. A few of the performances last year were-

- **"Thand rakkh"** to welcome the students and faculty of LGS, Lahore.
- Mime on "Save Water" for Founder's Day.
- Junior School Annual Play "The Lion King".
- "Khichdi" for the Visual and Performing Arts Exhibition.

## LIBRARY

"A well stocked library, well staffed library is like a gardener who plants books, knowledge, dreams and grows readers, learners, and doers." ~Laura Purdie Salas

In the last academic year, the Junior School Library has tried to be a place where curiosity and creativity are encouraged amongst children. Readathon was conducted for the second consecutive year. It stimulated the children to take up reading as a competitive activity. This was followed by The Reading Challenge, a six-book challenge that was conducted in collaboration with the British



Western Music Choir



Our young qawwals



The Bhangra Troupe







French and Korean Language Display

Council. All students from Classes I to V participated in it. This activity instilled a passion for reading in children and encouraged them to become avid readers. Workshops on speaking and writing skills in English were also conducted and, as a part of the program, a poet from Britain, Mr Daljit Nagra visited the school and recited one of his poems based on the epic 'Ramayana'. It was followed by a lively interactive session with the students. New books were added, taking the count to 8655 in the library. Storytelling sessions form a part of the library visit where the stories from around the world are narrated and the children try to enact the different characters they hear about.

The library also introduced Wordmaster as a hobby. The students who took up this hobby participated in word games such as Crossword, Word Grid, Anagrams, Scrabble, and Countdown, which helped enrich their vocabulary. The children also tried their hand at creativity and composed Acrostic Poems.

### **ART & CRAFT**

The elements of art, colour, shape and form are introduced and the children explore different methods and use their creativity to bring out amazing works of art. They learn different techniques of printing, clay modelling, papier mache`, tie and dye, handling of Plaster of Paris and needlework in school. They are eager and curious to use a wide

variety of materials to create "best out of waste". The year concluded with the entire Junior School including the teachers, participating in an Art Competition where the students made drawings on a given theme.

# VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS EXHIBITION

The students presented a mélange of colour, music and dance in the form of a Visual and Performing Arts Exhibition on February 19, 2016. It was indeed a treat for the visitors as children showcased the skills learnt in their respective hobbies throughout the year.

French and Korean language hobby groups gave a glimpse of the culture and food of their respective nations and put up a display

showing the alphabet, numbers, famous products and landmarks belonging to these countries. The students interacted with the visitors in these languages and sang songs.

**Art and Craft display** splashed its colour all around with beautiful handmade creations such as hats, photo frames, dream-catchers, and drawings.

**Wordmaster** was a new addition to our hobby list. The children of this hobby displayed various games, activities and concepts learnt during their vocabulary enriching sessions.

**Kidz Snax** showed various techniques used in preparing food. The kids showed how to make mouth-watering snacks in a jiffy, without the use of flame.

**'Seven Wonders Of The World'** was the theme chosen by Clay Modelling and Pottery. The children made replicas of the seven famous monuments and exhibited pots, figurines and other items made from clay.

**Young gymnasts** of Classes I, II and III impressed the audience with their flexibility in floor exercises.

**Indian Music** hobby presented a medley of folk songs from different states of the country. The children sang and played various instruments such as tabla, harmonium, xylophone, banjo and santoor.

The students in the Western Music hobby comprise mainly of two groups—guitar and synthesizer. Besides this the children were introduced to different western music instruments like xylophone, maracas, handbells. The students of the western music group presented 'Change the World' and an instrumental piece 'Symphony of Strings'. Arjaav Sharma and Samanyu Sharma presented a piano recital 'Chopsticks'. A guitar ensemble 'Parmeshwar' was performed by Manveer, Gunsheen, Parth Singla and Harshveer. Girls of the Indian Folk Dance hobby performed "Kathak" from the Jaipur Gharana.

The two **Theatre** groups of performed street plays titled **"Respect Me Man"** and **"Khichdi"**. The first was a satire on the callous way we use objects in our daily life. The second play highlighted the idea of using one's own mind rather than following people blindly.

Two groups performed "Jindua" and

"Bhangra" using traditional props like sapp, kato and khunda.

### **SPECIAL ACHIEVERS**

- Dohera Mann (I-N) stood 1st in Class, 1st at State level and 4th at the International level of the Science Olympiad.
- Diya Singla and Adab Sodhi (I-S) stood 1st in Class, 1st at State Level and 4th at the International Level of the English Olympiad.
- Aaveer Singh Birah (I-S) stood 1st in Class, 1st at State Level and 4th at the International Level of Talent Hunt Olympiad.
- Ramya Bansal (I-E) stood 1st in Class, 1st at State Level and 4th at the International Level of Talent Hunt Olympiad.
- Ananya Gupta (I-E) stood 1st in Class, 1st at State Level and 4th rank at the International Level of the Talent Hunt Olympiad.
- Manthan Sharma (II-N) stood 1st in Class, 1st at State Level and 2nd Olympiad rank in International Level of Talent Hunt Olympiad.
- Shyampreet (III-S) secured the following positions in the game of Golf
  - 3rd in Indian Golf Union Junior/Sub Junior Feeder Tour 15-16.

- 2nd in Ace Junior Golf Championship
- 2nd in Ultimate Golf Junior Championship
- 3rd in Chandigarh Golf Club Junior Championship
- 3rd in Chandigarh Golf Club Junior Championship
- 1st in Chandigarh Golf Club Junior Championship
- 2nd in K Golf series Junior Championship
- Anahat Kaur Nagpal (III-S) secured the 3rd position in Col. Sharp shooters tournament held at Jalandhar.
- Aditya Gupta (V-S) secured State rank 4 in Maths Olympiad and State rank 2 in Science Olympiad.
- Jasnoor Kaur (IV-E) participated in the following swimming competitions:-
  - District Level Women Special Under-25 Swimming Competition held in October 2015 at Sector 78, Mohali. She won the 2nd position in 100 m breaststroke and 3rd position in 50 m and 100 m backstroke.
  - In Ropar District Level Swimming Competition 2015 she won the 2nd Position in 100 m breaststroke.
  - In Mohali District Swimming

- Competition 2016 she won the 1st Position in 50m breaststroke.
- Mehtaab Singh Virk of Class IV-S participated in Mohali District Athletics Championship in the category U-12 (Boys). He won the 2nd position in 60m and 200m.
- Anhad Singh (III-S) and Akshita Sharma (III-S) represented Junior School in an Inter-School Story Telling Competition held at Oakridge International School on October 6, 2015. Anhad Singh bagged the second position in the competition.
- Saveerna Singh (II-E) participated in the 11th Inter District & Tricity Taekwondo Championship held in Mohali on February 14, 2016 and won a silver medal.

## **SPORTS**

"Gold medals aren't really made of gold. They're made of sweat, determination, and a hard-to-find alloy called guts."

~ Dan Gable

Sports are an equally important and integral part of education in terms of overall development of a child. At YPS, we offer games like football, cricket, basketball and athletics to the students. The spirit to participate and win is quite evident as the children love being out in the field trying to put



Broad Jump winners of the Athletics Meet



Olympiad, Level II Winners

in their best when it comes to competition. The year 2015-16 kick started with the Inter-Class Athletics Meet from 23 - 31 March 2015.

## The best athletes were:

Class I Boys: Rohit Kumar (I-S)
Class I Girls: Tamanna Walia (I-O)
Class II Boys: Harshveer Singh (II-E)
Class II Girls: Sidhak Kaur (II-E)
Class III Boys: Aarnav Mahajan (III-S)
Class III Girls: Gurmeya Dhindsa (III-S)

Class IV Boys: Jasnoor Singh Dhaliwal (IV-O)
Class IV Girls: Noorpreet Kaur (IV-O)

Class V Boys: Jaiveer Singh (V-N)

Class V Girls: Asees Kaur Cheema (V-O)

The Inter-Class Swimming Meet for Classes IV and V (Boys and Girls) was conducted from May 18-21, 2015.

■ The Inter-House Basketball League was held from September 19-28, 2015.

 Inter-House Football League was conducted from November 27 - December 8, 2015.

Inter-House Cricket League was conducted from February 23-March 3, 2016.

Inter Class Cross-Country was held on November 6, 2015. The best runners are as follows.

Class IV Boys: Jeevanjot SinghIV-T(AH)
Class IV Girls:Noorpreet KaurIV-O(PH)

Class V Boys:ManrajV-O(NH)

Class V Girls:Gurmehar KambojV-T(TH)



And off they go...

## **WORKSHOPS ATTENDED BY TEACHERS**

As learning is a never ending process, teachers too need to upgrade their knowledge and skills as and when required. They need to acquaint themselves with the new. For this, the teachers of YPS attend various workshops and programmes.

Date	Name of Workshop	Venue	Resource Person
24 Jan.'15	Tata Edge	Jr. School	Ms. Charu
25 Apr.	Orientation by	Jr. School	Mr. Ravijit Singh
	National Geographic		
13 May	Bullying	The Doon School	Dr. Seema
			Sharma
11 Feb.	Art of Story	British Council	Mr. Giles Abbot
	Telling	Chandigarh	
8-12 Feb.	Jodo Gyan	Jodo Gyan Center	Mr. Shahji
		Delhi	Ms. Komal
30 Jan.'16	Tata Edge	Jr. School	Ms. Charu

## **CO-CURRICULAR REPORT**

March 12	English Poetry Recitation for	Brahmnoor Kaur IV-S,
	Class IV and V, (ROUND I)	Asees Cheema V-O,
		Hanya Sodhi V-S
April 21	English Poetry Recitation for	Anhad Singh III-S
	Class III	Jasnoor Kaur III-O
		Nimar Kaur III- O
April 23	Punjabi Poetry Recitation for	Haniya Sodhi V-S
	Class IV and V (ROUND I)	Jasraj Singh V-O
		Taijas IV-S
August 6	Punjabi Poetry Recitation for	Tanmay GuptaV-S
	Class IV and V (ROUND II)	Karmanpreet V-O
		Balsher Singh V-S
		Jasleen Kaur V-N
August 21	Hindi Poetry Recitation for	III-O, III-S, III- E
	Classes III, IV and V	IV-E,IV-N,IV-O
		V-S,V-T,V-O
Nov. 3	Punjabi Poetry Recitation for	II-E, II-O,II-N,II-S
	Class II and III	III-E,III-S,III-N,III-O
Dec. 15	English Poetry Recitation for	Jasleen Kaur V-N
	Class IV and V, (ROUND II)	Parul Srivastava V-T
		Manraj Singh V-O



The king rules the jungle!

# JUNIOR SCHOOL ANNUAL PLAY "THE LION KING"

On October 15, 2015, Class V presented 'The Lion King', a stage adaptation of the popular animated musical film. The audience was captivated by the performance of naïve and endearing baby Simba (Karan Singh) and the confident adult Simba (Kunwar Balkar Singh). The malevolent Uncle Scar (Gulnar) stole the show with his evil glory. Pavit and Gurmehar, as the fun-loving Pumba and the meerkat Timon respectively, depicted life as 'Hakuna Matata' and kept the audience enthralled. Uday as kind but stern Mufasa, Tanmay as Zazu and Kartikeyan and Parth as Rafiki impressed all with their acting skills.

The artfully decorated sets and lights brought to life the rising sun and the dark nights in the Savannah Pridelands. The choir sang beautifully and the dances linked the scenes of the play quite effectively. The director of the play, Vijay Kumar Machal, beautifully brought together innocence, courage, self-destructive ego, wisdom and hope of the characters in the play.

Clockwise from Top Left: Timon & Pumba lending wisdom; Young Simba and his friends under attack by the hyenas; The choir at its best; Awakening of Simba's righteousness











## **CLASS I**



## **CLASS II**



## **CLASS III**



## **AITCHISON HOUSE**

**Housemaster** Ms. Kalyani Oruganti House Captain (Boys)
Tanmay Gupta

House Captain (Girls) Manya Bansal



**Housemaster**Ms. Manpreet Kaur

House Captain (Boys) Karan Virdi

House Captain (Girls) Haniya Sodhi

## **NALAGARH HOUSE**



**PATIALA HOUSE** 

**Housemaster** Ms. Meenakshi Goel House Captain (Boys)
Ishaan Rawat

House Captain (Girls)
Gurnoor Kaur



**Housemaster** Ms. Manveen Kaur House Captain (Boys)
Dakshmeet Singh

House Captain (Girls)
Jasmine Kahlon

# RANJIT HOUSE



# SENIOR SCHOOL REPORT



Mr Darshan Singh Kooner teaches his last batch.

## **ACADEMIC REPORT**

Abraham Lincoln said, 'I do the very best I know how, the very best I can, and I mean to keep on doing so until the end'.

The academics at the Senior School does just that. The aim is to motivate the students to compete against themselves and achieve more, to put in one's best and try to be a little better than before. Here assessments too, are taken, not as a tool to judge the students by the peak of their performance, but by the distance they have travelled from the point where they started.

The year 2015-2016 has been a year of transition at YPS, as the school moved from a January-December session to a March -April

session, thus making this year a fifteen month academic session. This extra time was utilised in activity based projects to reduce stress and make learning fun. A renewed focus on spoken English saw the introduction of projects that encourage research through presentation rather than writing.

In pursuit of excellence, a number of students in the year 2015 have achieved great academic heights, thereby making their alma mater proud. For the ISC examination 2015, a total of 58 students appeared, of which 12 scored above 90% and 34 above 70%. Kajal Sharma topped the Science stream with 96%, Jaisveen Kaur led the Commerce stream with 94.3%; and Ravneet Kaur ranked the highest in the Humanities stream, with 94.3%. The percentage

of students who have scored above 90% has gone up by 6% as compared to last year.

A total of 111 students appeared for the ICSE examination 2015, of which 24 students scored above 90%, and 79 students secured over 70%. Sahil Ahuja topped the ICSE with 96.4%. The percentage of students who have scored above 90% has gone up by 5% in comparison with last year.

The Scholar's Tie celebrates students' scholastic achievement of scoring 85% and above consecutively in Grade VII, VIII, and IX. It was bestowed on 25 students this year. The academic vision at YPS believes that imparting knowledge empowers the students, and gives them wings to soar.



Kajal Sharma



Jaisveen Kaur



Ravneet Kaur Sandhu



Sahil Ahuja

## **CO-CURRICULAR REPORT**

Co-curricular activities foster all-round development of a child, essentially the intellectual, physical, moral, emotional and

social development. Education inside the classroom is complemented by co-curricular activities. They help students shape themselves and prepare for the future. At YPS, we encourage students to participate in a wide

range of activities like Debates, Declamations, Music, Dance, Theatre, Quiz and MUNs which help the students discover their potential and explore their innate abilities.

Date	Event	Organized By	Participant and Position
Feb 26, 2015	Everlit Cogito Ergo Sum Literary Fest	MCM DAV College for Women Chandigarh	Sanya Arora, Bhaskar Dutta, Lovneet Bhatt, Mannik Singh, Komal Singh, Siddharth Kabir Singh, Avinash Sidhu, Sajneet Mangat, Upamanyu Yaddanapudi, Pranav Raj, Ashwin Goyal, Tanya Ahuja, Prabhmeh Sandhu, Atharv Sharma, Arpit Adlakha
Mar 27, 2015	Cultural Dance event	Central Government	
Apr 17-20, 2015	P G MIller Memorial Quiz	Daly College, Indore	Upamanyu Yaddanapudi and Aditya Jain stood 1st.
May 2-3, 2015	Sela Qui MUN	Sela Qui International School Dehradun	Harshita, Nitigya Handa, Sargun Sohal, Esh Gupta, Simran Anand, Ashwin Goyal, Kalhan Kuchroo, Abhimanyu Bhola
Jul 31, 2015 to Aug 1,2015	Landmark Knowledge Conclave	Genesis Global School, Noida	Quiz: Avinash Singh Sidhu, Aditya Jain and UpamanyuYadanapuddi stood 1st. English Debate: Jansher Singh Rehency, Siddharth Kabir Singh and Bhaskar Dutta reached the Semi finals. Jansher was declared the 'Most Promising Speaker'.
Aug 10-12, 2015	Shri JK Kate Memorial All India Inter Public School Knowledge Conclave	Punjab Public School, Nabha.	Quiz: UpamanyuYadanapuddi and Avinash Singh Sidhu stood first. Creative writing: Sanya Arora was declared the 2nd Runner Up.

			English Debate: Sajneet Mangat was declared the most promising speaker.
Aug 22, 2015	Inter School Hindustani Classical Vocal and Geet/Gazal Competition.	Mount Carmel School, Chandigarh	Kashish Khandpur stood second in the Gazal singing. Srikala Bhartam participated in classical singing.
Sept 4-6, 2015	Genesis MUN	Genesis Gllobal School, Noida	Jaandeep Singh, Guntaj Kaur, Sweetaj Brar, Sanjana Singh, Karamjot Kaur, Sukhman Kaur Dhindsa, Shreya Arya, K Shahbaaz Singh
Sept 28, 2015	The Orator 2015	St, Xavier's Sr Secondary School Chandigarh	Declamation: Tanveer Singh Mangat and Reet Maggo stood second. Poetry recitation: Ebrahim Hassan, Ria Khurana
Sept 29, 2015	Nanhi Chhaan Foundation National Essay Writing Competition	Vasant Valley School, New Delhi	Jaskirat Singh Lamba and Jasleen Kaur qualified for the school round. Jaskirat Singh Lamba qualified for the National and Final round of the competition and was among the top 5 participants. He won an ipad.
Oct 1-3, 2015	IPSC IT Fest 2015	Yadavindra Public School, Patiala	Power Point Presentation: Team comprising Bhaskar Dutta, Atharv Sharma and Aditya Jain stood 3rd.
Oct 6, 2015	Business Quiz	Indian School of Business, Mohali	Jai Sharma, Harmohan Singh, Kabir Singh, Bhaskar Dutta, Lovneet Bhatt, SahilAhuja.
Oc 26, 2015	Bournvita Quiz Contest	Derek O'Brian and Associates	Tanveer Mangat and Saugard Batra were the City Winners Gandharv Trehan, Dhruv Raj, Abhi Walia, Armaan Singh Chung, Atulya Sharma, Devanshu Dhawan, Harsanjam Singh Saini, Gurshaan Singh
Oct 26, 2015	RBI Quiz 2015	Reserve Bank of India	Upamanyu Yadanapuddi, Karan Sagar, Abhimanyu Bhola, Ashwin Goyal, Sargun Sohal, Nitigya Handa

Oct 29, 2015	Ninth Annual Debate in memory of S. Amar Singh Kamboj	British Co-Ed School, Patiala	Pranav Raj was declared the best speaker. The team of Pranav Raj and Aditya Jain was the first Runner up.
Nov 14-16, 2015	YPS MUN	Yadavindra Public School, Patiala	Khushi Satviki was declared the Best Delegate. Pranav Raj and Aditya Jain got a special mention in their committee. Bhalinder Singh, Shreya Arya, Sanjana Singh, Ashwin Goyal, Inayat Sodhi, Simran Anant Singh, Harshita, Esh Gupta, Tanya Ahuja, Khushi Satviki, Pranav Raj, Aditya Jain.
Nov 19-21, 2015	IPSC Art	Maharani Gayatri Devi Girls School Jaipur	Gurnehmat Kaur Dhindsa: Second prize in magazine Cover Design Mannik Singh, Hyunju, Jasleen Kaur and Robinpreet Singh: stood second in Installation Hyunju and Simran Anant Singh: Stood second in Artificial Flower making Simran Anant Singh: Third in Cartoon and Caricature. Preetanjan Kaur, Partesh and Megha: Participated.
Dec 2, 2015	Travel Quest Quiz	Thomas Cook	Armaan Kathuria and Sumer Singh Grewal won the City round and stood second in the Zonal Round. They have won an all expense paid trip to Malaysia.
Dec14, 2015	State level Energy Conservation Day	Punjab State Power Corporation Limited	Tanay Gopal and Parth Rawat stood first in the Physics Project category.  Amol Singh stood first in the English Declamation.  90 students from classes 6 to 11 participated in the event.  Students performed a Skit, Song and Bhangra under the non-competitive category.

Dec 14-18, 2015	Nanhi Chhaan Foundation Personality Development Programme	NIIT University, Neemrana	Jaskirat Singh Lamba, Dhruv Trehan, Jaandeep Singh Cheema
Jan 22-24, 2016	Yale NUS MUN	National University of Singapore, Singapore.	Sanjana Singh, Bhalinder Singh, Kunwar Shehbaaz Singh, Tanya Sandhu, Ajeshwar Singh, Harkrit Singh Nagpal, Bhavjit Singh Sandhu, Jaskaran Singh Basati, Kudrat Trehan, Japnaman Singh, Partesh Singh Ramana, Sukhmani Singh, Gurnehmat Kaur Dhindsa, Tarandeep Kaur, Kartikeya Puri, Apaarjit Singh, Ritwij Shastri, Kanishka Garg
Jan 29, 2016	Inter School Western Solo Singing Music Competition	Mount Carmel School, Chandigarh	Western Music Solo Singing(Junior): Kriti Sharma stood first Western Music Solo Singing (Senior): Kirandeep Kaur stood third.



Sauhaard Batra and Tanveer Mangat with their trophy



'Revelations' IPSC Visual Arts Competition, MGD, Jaipur



Sajneet Mangat at the Vivek High School debate









L-R: Children celebrate the 'International Day of Pulses'; Hobby Classes: Chess, Pottery and Electronics

### **ENVIRONMENT REPORT**

The need of today is environmental conservation which will halt the damage we are doing. This awareness has to be created at grass root level among the students. At YPS Mohali a number of environment related activities have become a part of the school curriculum.

The changing life style and ways to lead a sustainable way of life, which included eco-friendly actions like keeping indoor plants, use of herbal paints & dyes, products without CFCs, environment friendly interiors and décor, energy auditing, and green festivals were introduced. Students were encouraged to conduct research on the ecological significance of plants and animals. The role of the four Rs in

waste management—Reduce, Reuse, Recycle and Reinvent was reiterated through a 'Best out of Waste" activity.

Students of YPS are motivated to join local NGOs like PFA, WWF and Green Peace which make them aware of various local environmental issues like garbage disposal, adoption of animals, quality of ambient air and potable water, growth of slums and energy crisis and the 'swachchta abhiyaan' cleanliness drive.

## **HOBBIES REPORT**

Hobbies form an integral part of our school curriculum. It contributes to the overall development of students. They learn useful new skills from their chosen hobby and in

integrating these activities into their everyday school lives, time management, critical thinking, teamwork and social skills.

Hobbies are conducted twice a week for each class and include Music, Art and Craft, Clay modelling, Theatre, Home Management, Paper Recycling, Math Colloquium, and foreign languages.

Hobbies like electronics and photography have been provided to the senior students.

Hobbies give pleasure and provide creative satisfaction and relaxation. Students who are involved in these activities become more organized and tend to improve their grades as well.

## **LEARNING CENTER**

The learning center forms an integral part of the school. Attempts are made to search deep into the problems of the students who struggle with learning. Teaching profession comes with its own set of challenges. The Learning Centre at YPS caters to the needs of students with knowledge gaps, skillgaps, learning difficulties and behavioural disorders The learning center has two wings for both the junior as well as the senior school. We identify the needs of slow learners and children with attention gaps starting at class 1.

A need-based assessment is done before enrolling the students. Then based on the result of the assessment a discussion is conducted with the class teacher, learning center teachers, parents and the Deputy Headmistress & Headmaster. Special Educators work with each student according to their specific needs using appropriate techniques and tools as flash cards, diagraphs, e blocks and audio visual aids.

# NIOS - National Institute of Open Schooling

The school has an added advantage of offering the NIOS to the students of classes 9-12 .This

facility has been extended to the students of YPS who are unable to appear for the ICSE board.

The students who opt for the Open School Board for the Secondary and Senior Secondary Levels can have the option of attending school and being taught selective subjects according to their choice. Guidance is provided to the children for their specific subject choices for NIOS coursework as well as their assignments. Many students have appeared through this stream. The performance of the students last vear was creditable. Students who cleared class X & XII through the NIOS have successfully sought admission in various diploma courses and colleges. One of our students has been able to rejoin the regular ISC Board Commerce Stream after completing Class 10 through NIOS board and has been appointed House Captain.

The emphasis is on overall development of the children so that they can participate and excel in all other activities, which include sports, art, and photography. The students from the Open school have won laurels in various sports events as swimming, football, athletics and horse riding. It is exclusively an option for the

students at YPS who are not able to complete their ICSE Board education.

## **MUSIC REPORT**

Music gives a soul to the universe, wings to the mind, flight to the imagination and life to everything.

-Plato

YPS believes that music adds a depth to character that academics alone cannot. The children performed sargams, ragas, motivational songs, and songs related to thematic assemblies.

On Founder's Day on April 9, 2015, the choir performed a devotional song "lab pe aati hai" and also sang a Spanish and a Bengali song.

Inter-House- Music Competition: About 120 students participated in The inter-house music competition It had four rounds (Solo Singing (Hindi), Solo Singing (Western), Mehfil-e-Qawwali, and Instrumental). The overall House Positions were:

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

























In the Western solo round Kriti Sharma, VI-T, was awarded 1st position with Aranya Caimi, IX-O, and Kirandeep Kaur, IX-N, coming 2nd and 3rd respectively. In the Hindi solo round Sweetaj Brar was awarded the 1st place, with Kashish Khandpur, X-S, and Prabhnoor Chahal, X-N in the 2nd and 3rd place respectively. For the Qawwali round. Ranjit House was in 1st place, with Patiala House, Nalagarh House, Aitchison House and Tagore in 2nd to 5th place respectively.

## **IAYP REPORT**

The award programme was first introduced in the United Kingdom in 1956 as the Duke of Edinburgh's award and today it is called the International Award for Young People (IAYP). The aim is to motivate young adults aged between 14 and 25 years to follow a balanced, non-competitive programme of voluntary activities which encourage personal discovery and growth, self-reliance, perseverance, responsibility to themselves and service to their community. It aims to encourage young people to achieve their full growth potential within the framework of Indian society, and to improve their moral, social and intellectual well-being. The programme also inculcates and encourages "leadership" qualities. The basic

structure of the award consists of 4 mandatory sections- service, adventurous journey, skills, and physical recreation. Participants must complete the four mandatory sections to receive an award. There were a total of 68 participants in the IAYP programme.

The students completed the following programs under the IAYP programme-

- 1. Project on conservation and study of birds
- 2. Landscaping in the school campus
- 3. Project on recycling of waste paper
- 4. Generation of funds for Chennai Relief

Five students (Dhruv Trehan, Sajneet Mangat, Ashwin Goyal, Anmolpreet S Bains and Sahil



Ahuja) successfully completed their bronze level and received medals and certificates.

Seven students of Class XII (Avinash Sidhu, Jansher Rehncy, Kermann Parmar, Komal Singh, Sanjam Harish, Vishavjeet Singh Virk and Young preet Sandhu) successfully completed the residential programme organized in Dehradun.

They laid their hands on demographic survey, rock climbing, map reading, star gazing, nature trail and developed the skills of power of observation, cataloguing, differentiation, statistical analysis, survey assessment.

## **NCC ANNUAL TRAINING CAMP**

43 cadets from the school took part in the Annual Training camp organised from December 1-10, 2015, by the 3 Pb (I) Coy, NCC, Ropar. At the camp, Ashwin Goyal, X-N, was awarded the Overall Trophy. Jasraj Singh Tiwana, X-S, and Gurnehmat Kaur Dhindsa, IX-E were awarded the prize for 'Best Volleyball Player' among boys and girls respectively. Mankeert Kaur Narang, VIII-O, was declared the 'Most Promising Player' in Volleyball and Kudrat Trehan, IX-O, won the 2nd prize in the 25m Shooting event.





Forming the Pink Chain of Hope

## **SOCIALLY USEFUL PRODUCTIVE WORK**

Only when we serve, do we value. SUPW is an integral part of the curriculum at YPS. It aims at holistic development of the students, enabling them to develop the habit to work as a community, encourage community thinking, increase awareness of scientific advancements and help the less fortunate.

Yadavindrians were involved in various social and community based projects. On February 10, 2015, students of Class XII went to Tagore Theatre to watch a play "Bulleh Shah" that was skillfully performed by the visually impaired under the direction of Ms. Harinder Sandhu. It was a deeply moving experience for the Yadavindrians as they were won over by eternal optimism and determination of these artists.

- Nearly 80 girls from Jyoti Kanya Sarup Asra (Kharar based NGO) were invited as special guests at the school fete on February 15, 2015. They were made to feel special by students of YPS, who offered them chocolates, free rides, games and gifts. They were also served lunch by the students. The students felt enriched by the experience.
- 15 students from Classes XI and XII

- volunteered for the Walkathon for Breast Cancer awareness programme. It was organized by Sahayta charitable welfare society, in collaboration with the Deputy British High Commission, Chandigarh and was held at Sukhna Lake on October 29, 2015. They helped in creating awareness regarding the disease, did registrations, distributed refreshments and cleaned the area after the event. All the Boarding House students enthusiastically participated in the walkathon.
- In order to make all students active stakeholders in making India clean, a special assembly was conducted on February 01, 2016. The school Head boy and Head girl addressed the school assembly educating the students on the significance of 'Swachh Bharat Abhiyan'. They also emphasized on waste reduction and waste management keeping in mind the significance of 4 R's-reduce, recycle, reuse, and reinvent. Thereafter, everybody took the 'Swachhata pledge'.'Swachhata Ambassador Committee' was also set up comprising the student council, three teachers and the Deputy Headmistress as the head.
- Yadavindrians were encouraged to cut

- down on their expenses and instead raise funds for the victims of Chennai floods.
- Girls at Jyoti Kanya Sarup Asra, experienced the joy of receiving gifts when a group of students from our school visited their organization on February 19, 2016 and distributed sweets and various other utility items.
- It was a proud moment for the school when Rishu Taneja (X-N) and Sukhman Kaur Dhanoa (XI-N) got a hydraulic machine on rent and started a campaign to pluck the fruits from Kigelia Pinnata (Balam Kheera) trees as they realised that many people were suffering injuries due to the falling fruit.
- Education is an important part of human growth, which helps in the overall development of an individual. Keeping the same in mind, class XI and XII students are actively involved in educating the underprivileged children about hygiene, social skills, basic Math, English and Science.
- Motivational videos were shown followed by enthusiastic classroom discussions covering various social issues such as drug abuse, child abuse, violence, poverty, human rights etc.

Apart from videos, students also prepared PowerPoint presentations on topics such as assertiveness, resilience, peer pressure, bullying and communication skills and conducted sessions with their peers.

### THEATRE

The Inter-House Plays were held on April 30, 2015. A new and interesting concept was followed this year with each House picking, through random selection, one scenario, one emotion that was dominant in the play, one quirky character who was to exhibit the qualities listed for his personality throughout the play, and one 'dialogue' that was to be incorporated into the story. The teams were given three days to create an original script without help from teachers.

Patiala House came first, with Aitchison House, Ranjit House, Tagore House and Nalagarh House making up the next four positions respectively.

The award for the Best Actor went to Atharv Sharma (Aitchison House), Lovneet Bhatt (Aitchison House) came second and Ikrabdeep Singh Ghai (Patiala House) came third. Siddharth Kabir (Patiala House) was awarded the consolation prize.



#### **Aitchison House**

- a. Scenario: Poachers being caught by a gamekeeper
- b. Quirky Character: Think they're in a martial arts film
- c. Emotion: Happy
- d. Dialogue: "I'm sorry, I haven't been listening to a word you've said".



# **Nalagarh House**

- a. Scenario: An exterminator called to a restaurant
- b. Quirky Character: Auditioning for a part in an advert
- c. Emotion: Suspicious
- d. Dialogue: "Quick, let's hide in the basement."





## **Patiala House**

- a. Scenario: Robbing a Bank
- Quirky Character: You have a split personality and disagree with everything you say
- c. Emotion: Depressed
- d. Dialogue: "I have to warn you I suffer from vertigo."

# **Tagore House**

- a. Scenario: Intrepid archaeologist exploring a booby trapped cave
- b. Quirky Character: He/she thinks they are a game show host
- c. Emotion: Stubborn
- d. Dialogue: "Could you pass the knife, please?"



# **Ranjit House**

- a. Scenario: Politician canvassing votes
- b. Quirky Character: Paranoid that being followed
- c. Emotion: Jealousy
- d. Dialogue: "I love your dress. Can I try it on?"



The Winners: Patiala House

# **TEACHERS' WORKSHOPS**

"Who dares to teach must never cease to learn." —John Cotton Dana

DATE	NAME OF WORKSHOP	VENUE	RESOURCE PERSON(S)	TEACHERS ATTENDED
Jan 24, 2015	Pedagogy Training Session for	Junior School, YPS, Mohali	Mr. Anshul Omar	31 teachers from the
	Senior teachers		Mr. Jagdeep Arora	Senior School
Feb 12, 2015	History Cell	The Doon School, Dehradun	Faculty members, Doon School	Ms. Rajwinder Kaur
				Ms. Satinder Kaur
Feb 27-28, 2015	National Conference on Recent	Arya College, Panipar	Department of Science and	Ms. Subha Rathore
	Advances in Chemical and		Technology, UGC, New Delhi	
	Environmental Sciences			
Mar 2, 2015	International Women's Day	Sector 31, Chandigarh	Nanhi Chhaan Foundation	Ms. Pamila Ahuja
Mar 28, 2015	The Metacognitive Classroom	The Doon School, Dehradun	Mr. Mike Jeffries	Ms. Subha Rathore, Ms. Gina
				Singh, Ms. Manmohan Litt,
				Mr. Ajay Singh
April 11-12, 2015	Emerging Scenario and Future	IIT, Mandi, HP	3rd Annual National Conference	Ms. Subha Rathore
	Challenges in Science			
Aug 25- 27, 2015	Information Technology in	MGIPA, Sector 26	Dr. Venkata Rao	Ms. Seema Dhawan (Lib)
	Library Science			
Sep 30	Regional Symposium on	Kundan Vidya Mandir, Ludhiana	Dr. Ravinder	Ms. Megha Sharma
	Higher Education			Ms. Kuldeep Kaur
Oct 16, 2015	National Conference on	Dev Samaj College for Women,		Ms. Seema Dhawan (Lib)
	Emerging Trends in Library	Chandigarh		
Dec 2015	NCC PRCN Course	Officer Training Academy, Nagpur		Mr. Nirmaljeet Singh
Feb 18-20, 2016	GLOCOSCPES-2016 (a joint paper	Punjabi University, Patiala	University Grants Commission	Dr. Bhupindra Mann and
	on "Comparison between Football			Mr. Pankaj Singh
	Players and Athletes as Related			
	to Competitive Anxiety")			
Feb 26, 2016	Syllabus Discussion Workshop	Punjab School Education Board,		Ms. Gina Singh,
		Mohali		Ms Madhavi L. Bharatam
2014-15	M.Tech, Educational Technology	NIIT University, Neemrana	NIIT Faculty	Ms. Harleen Singh
				(Gold Medal winner)

# **STUDENTS' WORKSHOPS**

"Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire." — W.B. Yeats

At YPS, we believe in equipping children, not just with academic skills, but with all the tools they require to succeed in life. With this aim in mind they are exposed to views and ideas that will help them to expand their horizons.

DATE	TOPIC	RESOURCE PERSON	VENUE	CLASSES
Feb 10, 2015	Inspirational talk	Mr. Navneet Singh (Ex Yadavindrian)	Senior School Library	Classes X and XII
Feb 23- 25, 2015	Theatre Workshop	Mr. Mobeen Ejaaz (Lahore Grammar School)	Senior School Library	Theatre students from Classes VI- XII
Feb 25, 2015	Bridging The Borders: Interactive Session	Mr. Mobeen Ejaaz (Lahore Grammar School)	Senior School Library	Editorial team (Sr. School)
Mar 12, 2015	Education Outreach	Chairperson & staff	Anthropology Department Punjab University	Class VI
Mar 23-27, 2015	DST Inspire Program	Team of professors & scientists	Punjab University	Selected students of XII: Loveneet Bhatt, Bhaskar Dutta, Avinash Sidhu, Hardaman Singh, Komal Singh, Puneet Kaur, Mannik Singh
May 5- 6, 2015	Healthy Adolescence	Team of doctors from Fortis Hospital	Senior School Library (Girls ) Gym hall (Boys)	Classes VI - XII
Jul 23, 2015	Motivational Lecture	Ms. Namya Mahajan	Senior School Library	Classes XI and XII
Aug 12, 2015	Know your Armed Forces: Visit to K- Area, Zirakpur	HQ, Western Command	K-Area Zirakpur	NCC Cadets and Class XI
Aug 24, 2015	Workshop on Courses offered by Asia Pacific University (Japan)	Mr. Vishnu	Senior School Library	Classes XI and XII
Oct 7, 2015	Workshop on Courses offered by University of British Columbia	Ms. Tanushree Bhattacharya (UBC)	Senior School Library	Class XII

Oct 19- 23, 2015	Indian Music Workshop	Mrs. Arpita Chatterjee	Music Room	Pre-Nursery -XII
Oct 9, 2015	Role of Six Sigma	Mr. Vikrant Aggarwal	Senior School Library	Class XII
Oct 15, 2015	Cultural Program	Team from Spic Macay	Gym Hall	Classes VI - XII
Nov 27, 2015	Outreach Program: River Study	Staff at Bhakra Nangal Dam	Bhakra Nangal Dam, Ropar	Class XI (Humanities)
Dec 2. 2015	Poetry Performance: 'Ramayana: A Retelling"	Mr. Daljeet Nagra (Indian origin British Poet)	Junior School	Classes VI and VII
Dec 7, 2015	Interactive Session on Scientific Thinking	Dr. Anshuman Jayal (IIT, Roopnagar)	Senior School Library	Classes VI and VII
Feb 9, 2016	Robotics Workshop: 'Build Your Bot'	Ms. Sabina (Robotics Education World)	Gym Hall	Classes VI - XII
Feb 9-11, 2016	Oral Hygiene (Dental Check-up)	Ms. Chetna Kashyap (Dental Asst, Shivalik Hospital)	Senior School Library	Classes VI - XII
Feb 17, 2016	Outreach program: Visit to Chappar Chiri	Staff	Baba Banda Singh Bahadur War Memorial	Class VI
Feb 18-19, 2016	Inter-school Integrated Cultural and Creative Learning Workshop	Staff at Government Museum Chandigarh	Government Museum Chandigarh	Class VI
Feb 26, 2016	Career Counselling Program	Ms. Tanya Sharma	Senior School Library	Classes VII, VIII, IX and XI



Ms Arpita Chaterjee conducting a music workshop



Ms Tanya Sharma guiding the students on career choices



Dr R Bhalla educating girls on personal hygiene



"Athletics is not about records, it's about surpassing your own fitness level"

# SPORTS REPORT

"It's not the will to win that matters—everyone has that. It's the will to prepare to win that matters."

- Paul Bryant

Sports has drawn people together to cheer for their heroes for as long as there has been a record of human activity. It is a compulsory activity at YPS, but for the students it's far more than that. It is where they learn to abide by values like teamwork, camaraderie, perseverance and strength in the face of all odds.

#### INTER-HOUSE SPORTS EVENTS

The sporting calendar is full of various Inter-House matches that take place throughout the year. A healthy spirit of competition adds to the overall fun. The overall House positions, based on performance in Athletics, Cricket, Football, Basketball, Cross Country, Hockey and Swimming throughout the year, were, Nalagarh House in first place, Patiala House in second place with Aitchison House, Ranjit House and Tagore House making up the third, fourth and fifth place respectively.



"Some people want it to happen... others make it happen" - Michael Jordan

## **ATHLETICS MEET**

The Annual Athletics Meet was held from December 15-18, 2015. Three days display of strength, agility and skill saw many records broken. Sh Ashish Kapoor, Superintendent of Police, SAS Nagar, Mohali presided over the march-past which saw Patiala House walk away with the honour of being the best contingent.

The winner of the Meet was Aitchison House, followed by Patiala House Nalagarh House, Tagore House and Ranjit House.

The Harjesh Boparai trophy for the Best Athlete for 2015 (boys & girls) went to Sanehdeep Singh Khehra and Nagina Sidhu.

# **New School Records**

Category	Event	Name	Class	House	M/sec
Ab-17 (Boys)	Broad Jump	Sanehdeep Singh Khhera	XII-N	RH	5.58 m
	Triple Jump	Sanehdeep Singh Khehra	XII-N	RH	11.25m
	4x100 M	Patiala House			00.49.60 sec
	4x400 M	Tagore House			04.05.13 sec
U-17 (Boys)	200 M	Adesh Partap Singh	IX-E	NH	00.25.29 sec
	4x400M	Ranjit House			04.04.24 sec
	4x100 M	Aitchison House			00.50.86 sec
U-17 (Girls)	100 M	Jasnoor Kaur	VIII-E	NH	00.14.00 sec
U-14 (Boys)	100 M	Gurmehar Singh Doad	VII-T	RH	00.13.20 sec
	800 M	Sahildeep Singh Gill	VIII-S	PH	02.35.22 sec
U-14 (Girls)	400 M	Innayat Patwalia	VIII-E	TH	01.07.98 sec



'Faster, higher... stronger!'

# **Best Athletes**

Category	Name	Class	House
U-12 (Boys)	Ebrahim Hasan Sofi	VI-N	T.H
U-12 (Girls)	Akshita Sharda	VI-T	A.H
U-14 (Boys)	Gurmehar Singh	VII-T	R.H
U-14 (Girls)	Inayat Patwalia	VIII-E	T.H
U-17 (Boys)	Adesh Partap	IX-E	N.H
U-17 (Girls)	Srikala Bhartam	VIII-E	A.H
U-19 (Boys)	Sanehdeep Singh Khehra	XII-N	R.H
U-19 (GIRLS)	Nagina Sidhu	XI-E	N.H

# **House Positions**

House	Points	Position
Aitchison House	812	1
Patiala House	802	2
Nalagarh House	787	3
Tagore House	676	4
Ranjit House	614	5



<sup>&</sup>quot;Those who don't jump will never fly"



"Success isn't given. It's earned on the track with blood, sweat and the occasional tear."

### **ATHLETICS**

- Students of YPS, Mohali, participated in the Mohali District Athletics Championship, held on July 28, 2015, in the U-14 (Boys and Girls), and U-16 (Boys and Girls) categories. The results are as follows:
  - 100 m (U-14 Girls)

    Jasnoor Kaur VIII-E Ist

    Inayat Patwalia VIII-E IInd
  - 600 m (U-14 Girls)
     Mankeert Kaur Narang VIII-O Ist
     Seharkiran Kaur VII-E IIIrd
  - Shot Put (U-14 Boys)Sahibjit SinghVIII-S IIIrd
  - 100 m (U-16 Boys)Adesh Pratap Singh IX-E Ist
  - High Jump (U-16 Boys)Rajanpreet Singh X-O Ist
- The following students represented the Mohali District in the National Inter-District Junior Athletics Meet-2015, held at Vishakhapatnam.

Names	Class	Event
Rajanpreet Singh	X-O	High Jump
Adesh Pratap Singh	IX-E	100 mts
Inayat Patwalia	VIII-E	100 mts
Jasnoor Kaur	VIII-E	100 mts

Adeshpratap Singh, IX-E, and Rajanpreet
 Singh, X-O, represented the Mohali District

- at the Junior Punjab Athletics Meet 2015, held at Bathinda from October 12-13, 2015. Rajan Preet Singh stood 3rd in High Jump in the U-16 Athletics Meet 2015.He was awarded a cash prize of Rs 500/-.
- Students of YPS, Mohali, participated in the Mohali District Athletics Championship held on November 3, 2015, in the U-18 (Boys and Girls) categories. The results are:

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-	100 m (Girls)		
	Inayat Patwalia	VIII-E	Ist
	Rishu Taneja	X-N	IInd
	Ishroop Kaur Sodhi	VIII-N	IIIrd
-	200 m Girls		
	Inayat Patwalia	VIII-E	Ist
	Jasnoor Kaur	VIII-E	IInd
-	400 m Girls		
	Jasnoor Kaur	VIII-E	Ist
	Mankeert Kaur Narang	VIII-O	IInd
-	800 m Girls		
	Mankeet Kaur Narang	VIII-O	Ist
-	1500 m Girls		
	Gurinder Kaur	XI-N	IInd
-	Shot Put Girls		
	Nagina Sidhu	XI -E	Ist
-	Discus Throw Girls		
	Nagina Sidhu	XI -E	Ist
-	400 m Boys		
	Uday Singh Gill	VIII -E	IInd

- 800 m Boys
  - Uday Singh Gill VIII -E IIIrd
- High Jump Boys
  - Sanehdeep Khehra
- XII-N Ist
- Students of YPS, Mohali, participated in the 52nd All India IPSC Athletics Meet held at The Punjab Public School, Nabha, from November 17-19, 2015. The results:
  - Discus Throw (Girls)
    - Nagina Sidhu
- XI-E Ist
- 200 m (Girls)
  - Inayat Patwalia
- VIII-E IIIrd
- High Jump (Boys)
  - Sanehdeep Khehra XII-N Ist
- 200 m (Boys)
- Adesh Pratap Singh
- IX-E IIIrd

## **BASKETBALL**

The YPS cagers played in the following interschool tournaments .

- The U- 14 Girls won the Tournament, held at Strawberry Fields High School ,Sector 26 Chandigarh.
- Our teams took part in the Sardar
   Bhagwant Singh MemorialTournament held
   at Vivek High School, Mohali.
  - Category Position
  - U- 16 Girls YPS won the tournament
  - U-14 Girls YPS reached the Quarterfinal

- U-14 Boys YPS was the Runner's Up
  U-12 Girls YPS won the tournament
  U-16 Boys YPS reached the Quarterfinal.
- The U-16 Boys team took part in the Mohali State Championship, held in November 2015, and reached the Quarterfinals.
- The U- 14 Girls team participated in the Major Jagpal Singh Memorial tournament held at Pinegrove School, Sabathu, in April 2015, and reached the Quarterfinals
- The U- 19 Girls team participated in the Welhams Girls School Golden Jubilee tournament held from April 30- May 4, 2015, and reached the semi-finals.
- The IPSC tournament for U-14 Girls was held at Ashok Hall Girls' Residential School, Majkhali, Nainital in October 2015. YPS reached the quarterfinal.
- The U-17 Boys' team played four friendly matches against YPS, Patiala, and St. Xavier's School, Chandigarh, and won three of them.

### CRICKET

The YPS Cricket team played 22 friendly matches against the YPS Academy; DAV School, Sector-8, Lake Cricket Club, Chandigarh; APJ School, Mohali; Mohali Cricket Academy, Mohali, Chandigarh Cricket



Dribble, shoot, rebound, score!



Amanjit Memorial Six-a-Side Cricket Tournament

Academy, Sector 19, Chandigarh; Cricket
Academy, Sector 71, Mohali; SD School Cricket
Academy, Sector 24, Chandigarh; Black
Elephant Cricket Club, Patiala; Pinegrove
School, Dharampur; Guru Nanak Public School,
Chandigarh; and Saupins School, Chandigarh.
They won 14 out of the 22 matches played, and
drew two.

## **Tournaments Participated**

- The XIIIth Mayoor Challenge Cup Cricket Tournament U-19 held at Ajmer from January 22-25, 2015. 12 teams participated in the tournament and YPS, Mohali, reached the quarterfinal.
- The XIIIth HH Maharaja Madavrao Scindia Cricket Tournament held at Scindia School, Gwalior from March 27-31, 2015
- 13th Dhruv Pandove Memorial T-20 Cricket Tournament, held at YPS, Patiala from April 13-16, 2015. YPS, Mohali reached the semifinals.
- Selaqui Invitational Cricket Tournament, held at Selaqui School, Dehradun from April 19-23, 2015. YPS, Mohali won the tournament. Manraj was declared the player of the tournament
- The IPSC U-17 Cricket Tournament, held at YPS, Patiala, from September 2-5, 2015.
- SS Giyani Memorial Cricket Tournament at

- St Soldiers School, Panchkula from October 2-8, 2015. Eight teams participated in the tournament.YPS brought home the trophy.
- The IPSC U-14 Cricket Tournament held at the Scindia School, Gwalior, from October24 -28, 2015. YPS, Mohali, was 2nd.
- The XIIIth -IPSC U-19 Cricket Tournament held at the Rajkumar College, Rajkot (Gujarat) from November 2-6, 2015. YPS, Mohali, reached the semi-finals.

# Amanjit Memorial Six-a-Side Cricket Tournament

The IInd Amanjit Memorial Six-a-Side Cricket
Tournament was hosted by YPS, Mohali, from
April 11-12, 2015. Eleven teams from across the
country and two international teams (Aitchison
College, Lahore, and The Indian High School,
Dubai) participated in the tournament. Modern
School, Barakhamba Road, New Delhi, won the
Cup and YPS, Mohali, was the runner's up.

#### **CROSS COUNTRY**

"Good for the soul...and the legs." The young Yadavindrians covered distances ranging between 1.25 km to 6.5 km. The overall positions were Nalagarh House in first place followed by Patiala House, Ranjit House, Aitchison House and Tagore House respectively. The Milkha Singh Trophy was awarded to Rahil (U-19) of Class-XI-N (Aitchison House) and the PT Usha trophy to Gurinder Kaur (U-19) of Class XI-N (Tagore House)

#### **FOOTBALL**

The YPS Football teams played friendly matches against YPS, Patiala; the Ex-Yadavindrians from OYA, Mahilpur Wing Football Club, Mahilpur; Strawberry Field School, Chandigarh; and the Bhaichung Bhutia Academy, Mohali. They won two of the five matches and drew another two.

YPS, Mohali also participated in the Selaqui International Football Tournament, held at Selaqui School, Dehradun on August 14, 2015.

#### **HOCKEY**

The YPS, Mohali U-15 (Boys) team played five friendly matches against YPS Patiala and Daly College Indore of which they won one and drew two.

The YPS, Mohali U-17 (Boys) team played three friendly matches against SCL, Mohali, and YPS, Patiala, winning one and drawing one.
The YPS, Mohali U-19 (Boys) team played 11 friendly matches against YPS, Patiala; PPS Nabha; SCL Co. and the Fatehgarh Sahib Hockey Academy, of which they won 4, lost 5 and drew 2.







U-14 football



Ab-14 Inter-House Hockey Tournament

U-12 runners

The YPS Hockey teams also participated in the following tournaments:

- The U-15 (Boys) team participated in the IPSC Hockey Tournament held at MNSS, Rai, from August 22-24, 2015. YPS, Mohali, reached the quarterfinals.
- The U-17 (Boys) participated in the IPSC Hockey Tournament held at MNSS, Rai, from August 26-28, 2015.
- The U-12 (Boys) participated in the IPSC Hockey Tournament held at Pinegrove school, Subathu, from October 8-10, 2015
- The School Games Federation of India selected Youngpreet Singh Sandhu, Gurkaran Singh Madra, (U-19); Jasnoor Singh, Karanveer Kumar, Maghan Singh, IX-N (U-17); Tajinder Singh and Sukhpal Singh Baidwan (U-14) for the hockey teams in

- their respective age groups.
- The U-19 (Boys) team took part in the 10th Kandhari Hockey Tournament held at Welhams Boys' School, Dehradun from April 30- May 4, 2015.
- The U-19 (Boys) team participated in the IPSC Hockey Tournament held at MNSS, Rai, from October 18 -21, 2015
- The U-15 (Boys) team participated in the IPSC Hockey Tournament held at MNSS, Rai, from August 22-24, 2015. YPS reached the quarterfinals.
- Sukhpal Singh, VII-T, was selected to represent YPS, Mohali in the U-14 category, at the School Nationals held at Ranchi from January 4-8, 2016.
- Jasnoor Singh, Karanveer Kumar, and

- Maghanpreet Singh, were selected to represent YPS, Mohali at the School Nationals in the U-17 category, held at Jalandhar from November 16-20, 2015.
- Youngpreet Singh Sandhu and Gurkaran Singh Madra were selected to represent YPS, Mohali at the School Nationals in the U-19 category, held at Bhopal from December 25-29, 2015.

#### **SWIMMING**

"The water is your friend.....you don't have to fight with water, just share the same spirit as the water, and it will help you move"

—Alexandr Popov

The IInd Annual YPS Swimming Meet was held from September 28-October1, 2015



# **New School Records**

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Category	Event	Name	Class	House	Mts/sec
U-14 Girls	25 m Freestyle	Arshia Kaur	VIII-S	RH	00.18.31
	25 m Backstroke	Ishroop Kaur Sandhu	VII-S	АН	00.31.93
	25 m Breaststroke	Arshia Kaur	8 5	RH	00.23.98
	50 m Freestyle	Arshia Kaur	8 S	RH	00.41.42
	50 m Backstroke	Ria Khurana	7 S	TH	01.05.20
U-14 Boys	25 m Freestyle	Aditya Bhambri	7 S	TH	00.18.02
	25 m Breaststroke	Joshveer Singh Narula	70	АН	00.26.19
	50 m Freestyle	Aditya Bhambri	7 S	TH	00.40.81
	50 m Backstroke	Sewak Singh	6 S	RH	00.53.94
	50 m Breaststroke	Sewak Singh	6 S	RH	00.52.44
	100 M Freestyle	Sewak Singh	6 S	RH	01.29.69
U-19 Girls	25 m Freestyle	Guneev Gill	90	NH	00.19.25
	25 m Backstroke	Anahat Dhillon	10 E	NH	00.26.84
	50 m Freestyle	Guneev Gill	90	NH	00.41.59
	50 m Breaststroke	Anahat Dhillon	10 E	NH	01.07.40
U-19 Boys	25 m Backstroke	Karan Batta	9 N	PH	00.46.81
	25 m Breaststroke	Avneesh Singh	9 E	RH	00.18.70
	50 m Freestyle	Armaan Singh Gurna	12 O	TH	00.35.62
	50 m Backstroke	Karan Batta	9 N	PH	00.46.81
	50 m Breaststroke	Avneesh Singh	9 E	RH	00.43.10

# **Best Swimmers**

U-14 (Boys)	Sewak Singh	Nalagarh House
U-19 (Boys)	Avneesh Singh	Ranjit House
U-19 (Girls)	Guneev Gill	Nalagarh House
U-14 (Girls)	Arshiya Kaur	Ranjit House

Our swimmers also took part in the following tournaments outside school:

- The All India IPSC Swimming Championship-2015, held at Genesis Global School, Noida, in June 2015.
- The Chandigarh State Swimming Competition-2015, held at the Sector -23 Indoor Swimming Pool, in June 2015
- The Mohali District Swimming
  Competition held on January 29, 2016.
  Girls:
  - Guneev Gill came 2nd in the 100m freestyle and 4th in the 50m freestyle events.
  - Arshiya Kaur came 1st in the 50m butterfly stroke, 100m freestyle and the 50m breaststroke.
  - Ria Khurana came 4th in the 50m backstroke

 Jasnoor Kaur stood 1st in the 50m breaststroke and 3rd in the 50 m backstroke events.

### Boys:

- Avneesh Singh won 2nd place in the 50m breaststroke, and 3rd place in the 100m freestyle events.
- Karan Batta achieved 2nd place in the 50m backstroke and the 100m backstroke events.
- Sewak Singh won 4th place in the 50m backstroke and the 100m.freestyle events.
- Mohit Sharma achieved 4th place in the 100m freestyleand the 200m freestyle events.
- Jaibir Singh achieved 4th place in the 50m freestyle event.

- The Ropar District Level Swimming
  Competition held in July 2015
  Arshiya Kaur won 1st place in 100m
  breaststroke and the 100m freestyle events
  and Jasnoor Kaur came 2nd in the 100m
  freestyle event. Among the boys Avneesh
  Singh won 1st place in the 100m
  breaststroke and the 100m freestyle
  events; and Karan Batta came 2nd in the
  100m. freestyle event.
- Jasnoor Kaur participated in the District
  Level Women's Special U-25 Swimming
  Meet held at Sector 78, Mohali, in October
  2015. She came 3rd in the 50m backstroke,
  2nd in the 100m breaststroke, and 3rd in
  the 100m backstroke events.
- The Shaheed-E-Azaam Punjab Games -Swimming Competition, held at SAS Nagar, Mohali, from February 14-19, 2016.

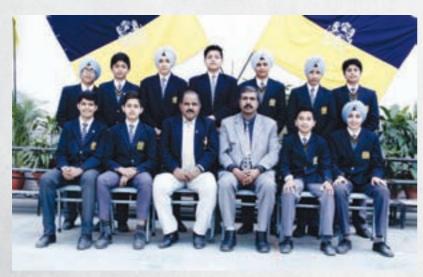




School Basketball XI Boys' Team



School Basketball U-17 Boys' Team



School Basketball U-14 Boys' Team



School Basketball U-12 Boys' Team



School Basketball XI Girls' Team



School Basketball U-14 Girls' Team



School Basketball U-17 Girls' Team



School Basketball U-12 Girls' Team



School Cricket XI Team





School Cricket U-14 Team



School Cricket U-12 Team



School Athletics Team



School Football XI Team



School Equestrian Team



School Football U-14 Team



School Hockey XI Team



School Hockey U-15 Team



School Hockey U-17 Team



School Hockey U-14 Team



School Golf Team



School Shooting Team



School Swimming Team



School Tennis Team

# SPORTS STARS

Students from Classes VI-XII who took part in the Nationals were declared Sports Stars. Students from Classes X, XI and XII are awarded the School Colours in addition. The school blazer with silver and gold lining is awarded to students from Grades XI and XII who have participated in National and International events respectively.

## **ATHLETICS**



Sanehdeep Khehra, XII-N (Blazer with Silver lining and School Colours)



Nagina Sidhu, XI-E (Blazer with Silver lining and School Colours)



Rajan Preet Singh, X-O (School Colours)



Adeshpartap Singh, IX-E



Gurmehar Singh Doad, VII-T

## **BASKETBALL**



Mankeert Narang, VIII-O

## **TENNIS**



Nandini Dey, X-E

# **FOOTBALL**



Simran Anant Singh, X-N

# **CRICKET**



Yuvraj Singh Gill, XII-N (Blazer with Silver lining and School Colours)



Akashdeep Singh Sandhu, VIII-E



Jaskirat Singh, VIII-E



Guru Charan Singh Sidhu, VII-O



Pranshu Gupta, VIII-T (Panjab State BCCI U-14)

## HOCKEY



(Blazer with Silver lining and School Colours)



Youngpreet Singh Sandhu, XII-O Gurkaran Singh Madra, XII-O (Blazer with Silver lining and School Colours)



Jasnoor Singh, X-S (School Colours)



Karanveer Kumar, X-O (School Colours)



Maghan Singh, IX-N



Sukhpal Singh, VII-T

# **HORSE RIDING**



Gursobha Singh, XII-O (Blazer with Silver lining and School Colours)



Gurbaaz Singh Sandhu, VIII-T

# **SHOOTING**



Sukhmani Kaur, IX-S

# ACHIEVERS BEYOND SCHOOL

## **GURSOBHA SINGH, XII-O**

He is an accomplished rider of international standing. He has participated in the following tournaments

## **National Level Competitions**

- The Junior National Equestrian Championships held at Delhi from December 24, 2014 January 2, 2015. He won a gold, two silver and three bronze medals.
- The National Equestrian Championships (Seniors), held at Delhi from March 18 -22, 2015, and won a gold and two silver medals.
- The IPSC Equestrian Championship, held at PPS Nabha, in February, 2015, where he won two gold, three silver and two bronze medals. He also won the Best Rider's Trophy (U-19)
- The Delhi Horse Show held from March 23- April 8, 2015. He won two Gold, three silver and four bronze medals.
- The Mohali Horse Show held from November 19 -24, 2015, and achieved four gold medals and was awarded the Best Rider's Trophy (Seniors). He also created a new record for the State of Punjab in the 'Six Bar' Event with a jump of 1.60 m.
- The 5th Punjab Horse Show held at Jalandhar from December 21-25, 2015, and won a gold and a silver medal.

# **International Competitions**

- He took part in the Equestrian Show held at Amsterdam on May 21, 2015, and at Hengelo, Netherlands on June 3, 2015.
- He competed in Netherland in the show jumping events as a representative of India. He won a gold and a silver medal in two different events competing against some internationally acclaimed riders, notably the Austrian Olympic Rider, Robert Puck.







He took part in the following Equestrian events in the year.

- The IPSC Equestrian Championship (U-14), held at PPS Nabha, in February, 2015, where he won a gold and a silver medal.
- The Delhi Horse Show held from April 10-7, 2015, where he won a gold and a silver medal.
- The ITBP Horse Show held at Bouver, Haryana, in the month of June 2015, where he achieved a gold and a silver medal.
- The Federation Equestrion International held at Mohali in the month of October where he won the Show Jumping Competition.
- The Mohali Horse Show held at Mohali in the month of October, and won three gold, and three bronze medals along with winning the Best Rider Trophy.
- The 5th Punjab Horse Show held at Jalandhar from December 21-25, 2015, where he won a gold and a bronze.



# SAUHAARD BATRA, VIII-N

He stood first in the Abacus SIP Regional Prodigy competition held in Chandigarh, in November 2015. He also participated in PUNPEX 2016 held at DAV College, Chandigarh, on February 7, 2016, and was awarded the second and third positions in the Group Discussion and GK Quiz respectively.



# HOUSE REPORT - AITCHISON

'Success is the sum of all small efforts repeated day in and day out.'

- Robert Colliers

#### Housemaster

Ms. Manmohan Kaur Litt

### **Senior School House Appointments**

House Captain Boys Hardaman Singh Benipal

House Captain Girls Megha Sharma

House Prefects Avinash Singh Sidhu

Vishavjeet Singh Virk

# **School Appointments from the House**

Co-curricular Captain Lovneet Bhatt Music Captain Mannik Singh 'Slow and steady, wins the race', the popular adage is aptly applicable to the Aitchison House as we overcame the tag of "always last" to achieving a number of first positions at various Inter House events.

On the co-curricular front we achieved the first position in the following events-

- Spelling Bee (Classes VI and VII)
- G.K. Quiz (Classes X to XII)
- Literary Competition (Classes X to XII)
- Science Quiz (Classes X to XII)
- G.K. Quiz (Classes VIII to IX).

The motivation by the House teachers, the dedication of the Prefect Council body and the whole hearted, enthusiastic participation of the House students has made the year a fruitful and rewarding one.

## Achievements beyond school

 The following students took part in the MUN held at Singapore: Gurnehmat Kaur Dhindsa, Sanjana Singh, Ajeshwar Singh,

- Ritwiz Shastri, Kudrat Trehan, Partesh Singh Ramana
- Sahil Ahuja ( XI-O) took part in Inter School IT Fest, Interschool Business School, National Cyber Olympiad, National Science Olympiad.
- Devanshu Dhawan (VII-O) stood fifth in the State in the International Informatics Olympiad
- Kriti Sharma (VI-T), a young singer took part in the Interschool Music Competition. In the Inter School Music Competition she secured the third place in the solo singing category.
- Sidharth Goel(VII N) a budding Tennis player participated in various Tennis tournaments including the Nationals.
- In the Inter-House Swimming competition Ishroop Kaur Sandhu (VII-S) made a new school record in the 25 m backstroke, as did Joshvir Singh Narula VII-O 25 m breaststroke.



# HOUSE REPORT - NALAGARH

"When life brings big winds of change that almost blow you over, close your eyes, hang on tight, and BELIEVE in yourself."

#### Housemaster

Ms. Harinder Kaur

### **Senior School House Appointments**

House Captain Boys Satwinder Pal Singh
House Captain Girls Sonepreet Kaur
House Prefects Rohan Singh
Puneet Kaur

# **School Appointments from the House**

Co-curricular Captain Jansher Singh Music Captain Karman Singh Nalagarians, under the guidance of Mrs
Harinder Kaur and her team of teachers and
House Appointments, were seen striving to
excel in each and every field. Hard work and
determination seemed their 'mantra' .They
believe that when competition is tough, the
tough get going.

Going beyond the school competitions they showed their mettle in various Inter-School and Intra-School competitions.

For Co-curricular events Nalagarh House achieved first position in the English Poetry Recitation (Classes X-XII), Multimedia Competition (Classes VIII-IX), Hindi Poetry Recitation (Classes VI-VII), Hindi Declamation Competition (Classes VIII-IX), and Punjabi Declamation Competition (Classes VIII-IX)

## Achievements beyond school

- Jasnoor Kaur (VIII-E) participated in the District Athletics (100m, 200m, 400m)and won 2 gold medals and a silver medal.
- Nagina Sidhu (XI-E) participated in

- Tchoukball Nationals, Athletic s Nationals, District Athletics (Discus & Shot-put). She won 2 Gold medals at the District Athletics Meet.
- Manraj Singh (VII-O) participated in the District Roller Skating Competition and won a gold and a silver medal.
- Adesh Pratap (IX-E) participated in the Athletics Nationals, and the District (100m).
   He came 1st in the District Athletics.
- Aditya Jain (X-S) was awarded as Best Goalkeeper at the Chandigarh Football League 2015. He has also participated in the following events:
- PG Miller All India Inter School
  Invitational Quiz, where he came first.
  - The Landmark Knowledge Conclave GK Quiz, and came first.
  - Aman Singh Kamboj Memorial Debate, and stood second.
  - He was awarded 'A Special Mention' at Strawberry Field High School MUN'15.
- Best swimmer
   Sewak Singh of VI-S (under 14 boys)
   Guneev of IX-O (under 19 girls)



# HOUSE REPORT - PATIALA

"Strive not to be a success but rather to be of value."

- Albert Finstein

#### Housemaster

Ms. Ekta

### **Senior School House Appointments**

House Captain Boys Anmol Arora

House Captain Girls Ravneet Kaur Kahlon House Prefects Siddharth Kabir Singh

Vinay Deep Singh

## **School Appointments from the House**

HeadBoy Ikrabdeep Singh Ghai
Co-curricular Prefect Bhaskar Datta

Ms. Ekta with her team of teachers and House appointments saw the House through many ups and downs to emerge as winners on many a front.

On the co-curricular front, Patialians stood first in English poetry, Math Olympiad (Classes VI and VII), English Debate (Classes VIII and IX) and the Inter-House Play. In these competitions special mention must be made of Tanisha (VI-E), Akanksh Caimi (VII-E), Jayaditya Singh (VI-S), Harshdeep Kaur (VII-O), Armaan Kathuria (VII-T), Aryan Mann (VII-O), Pavit Kaur (VIII-E), Mankeert Narang (VIII-O), Agamnoor Kaur (VIII-O), Harsimrat Buttar (VIII-E) Aaliya Sachar (IX-O), Aaranya Caimi (IX-O), and Parth Rawat (IX-E).

In the Inter House Plays Ikrab Ghai was judged the best actor and Siddarth Kabir Singh got the consolation prize.

One can never forget the day of the Inter House Swimming Meet where in the endurance race event the Pied Piper of Hamelin was reenacted as every student of the House jumped into the pool on the call of their Housemaster even if a few were not able to complete. A salute to the house spirit!

## Achievements beyond school

- Aryan Mann (VII-O), Savinay (VII-O) and Jasmol Arota (VII-T) stood third in the IPSC Tennis.
- Armaan Kathuria (VII-T) participated in the Thomas Cook Travel Quest Quiz, in which he along with Sumer Singh (Tagore House) has won an all expense paid trip to Malaysia.
- Mankeert Kaur Narang (VIII-O) took part in the District Athletics U-14 and U-18 categories where she stood 1st in 600m and 800m and second in 400 m.
- Parth Rawat (IX-E) took part in the state level energy conservation, ROBOTICS and was placed first.
- Vipanjot Singh (IX-T) represented our school in the District U-19 and School National Cricket.



# HOUSE REPORT - RANJIT

"As long as we dare dream, we can occupy new land."

— Lailah Gifty Akita

#### Housemaster

Dr. Rajinder Singh

### **Senior School House Appointments**

House Captain Boys Gursobha Singh House Captain Girls Sophia Deitrich House Prefects Jaskaran Singh Yuvraj Singh Gill

## **School Appointments from the House**

Head Girl Komal Singh
Sports Captain Boys Youngpreet S Sandhu
Boarding House Captain Sanehdeep S Kherha
Boarding House Prefect Nishant Singh

Under the leadership of Dr Rajinder Singh as the Housemaster, the House has moved from strength to strength. Our House Captain (Girls) left midyear as Sophia Deitrich completed her exchange program in June. Komal Singh, the Head Girl, took over the additional responsibility of grooming the children for various co-curricular events.

- Ranjit House did exceptionally well, coming first in the Punjabi Poetry Recitation (VI-VII), Literary Competition (VIII-IX), the Computer Quiz (VI-VII), GK Quiz (VI-VII), the Science Quiz (VI-VII), and the Math Olympiad (VIII-IX).
- Keeping with tradition we stood 1st in the Qawali round and were declared second in the Inter-House Music Competition. Sweetaj Brar won the second prize in the Western solo round.
- Our young swimmers did us proud, securing the first place for the House in the Inter-House Swimming Meet. Avneesh Singh (IX-E) and Arshiya Kaur (VIII-S) were declared the best swimmers in their age groups.

- Sanehdeep Khehra (XII-N) broke three records in the Inter House Athletics Meet.
- Gursobha Singh (XII-O), Patwant Singh (XI) and Gurbaaz Singh (VIII-T) took part in many National and International Equestrian events.
- Sukhmani Kaur (IX-S) is an ace shooter, and has made her mark in the National Shooting Competition.
- Sanidhya Sharma (VII-N) came 5th in Rafi Nights held at SD College, Chandigarh.
- Royalcee Katodia (VII-E), Shaurya Singh (VII-E), and Charanjot Singh (VII-S) were members of the team that stood first in the U-14 Chandigarh Football League.



# HOUSE REPORT - TAGORE

"All our dreams can come true if we have the courage to pursue them."

- Walt Disney

#### Housemaster

Ms. Rekha Sharma

### **Senior School House Appointments**

House Captain Boys Arman Singh Gurna
House Captain Girls Kermann Parmar
House Prefects Vishesh Chandok
Darshbir Singh

## **School Appointments from the House**

Deputy Head Girl Sanya Arora

Inspired by the great educationist,
Rabindranath Tagore, for whom it is named,
Tagore House represents respect,
consideration and courtesy.

Captains and Prefects play a significant role in selection and preparation of pupils from their House for Inter-House competitions. Students work hard throughout the year and receive House points which build the spirit of healthy competition.

The 'First Step Programme' brought smiles when students received accolades for holding the mike and facing the audience for the first time. Tagorians won all three positions in the Poetry Recitation competition. Tagorians' loyalty and unity is witnessed during events like Swimming, Athletics, Cross-Country, Dramatics and Music, where there is full attendance and maximum participation.

House teachers provide pastoral care and young ones become caring and compassionate. Great care and consideration is taken to welcome new students and ensure that they have a secure place within the school community.

Tagore House is proud of the following achievers who have participated in various fields at the National level events:
Ebrahim Hassan Sofi, Kritika, Sumer Singh, Dhruvraj Singh, Tegh Singh, Ria Khurana, Anmoldeep Singh, Tanveer Singh Mangat, Inayat Patwalia, Kartikeya Puri, Parwaan Virk, Sajneet Mangat, Prabhmeh Sandhu, Upamanyu Yaddanapudi, Rajbalwinder Singh, Jaskirat Singh Lamba, Sukhman Dhanoa, Ashneet Kaur, Sanya Arora and Armaan Singh Gurna.

Red is the colour of Tagorians which represents energy, passion and action.

Tagorians, think of stars only then you will reach the sky.



# BOARDING HOUSE REPORT

The Boarding House – **Chandragupta House** and **Ajit House**, a place where students are taught the essential moral values of life and groomed into responsible citizens of India. This is also where they form lifelong bonds. Great value is placed on personal responsibility. Time -management is constantly stressed upon. Fixed timings for meals, sports and studies, all lead to a disciplined life with ample time for recreational activities.

The boarders participate actively in cocurricular activities and community service. The Boarding House Prefects' Council helps in maintaining discipline by helping the Housemasters and matrons. The seniors motivate the juniors to do well in academics and sports. The constant interaction helps students learn the importance of sharing and looking after each other.

Mealtimes mean delicious food with fruit and snacks, in addition to nutritiously balanced meals for both vegetarians and nonvegetarians. The craving for knick-knacks and

extra snacks is satisfied through the canteen on weekends.

Saturday night is movie time but a visit to the cinema twice-a-month ensures that the multiplex experience is also not missed.

Circuses and fairs, excursions, all form a part of regular life.

Sports are an integral part of the Yadavindrian spirit and culture, and the Boarders, with access to the sports fields and facilities are some of the most promising players. The added advantage of discipline being a part of their daily lives and the camaraderie they share makes for excellent team players.

All work and no play would make anyone a dull boy, so to counter that, Boarders are taken on regular excursions and treks that are fun yet toughen them for life. This year's high point was the trip to *Kufri* and *Tatta Pani* for rafting and mountain climbing .Not as thrilling, but perhaps more exciting was the Ajit House visit to a *Dominos* kitchen where they learned how

to make pizzas. Of course no one had to teach them how they are eaten. Chandragupta House went to the Air Force Station to see some of the best Indian airplanes.

Besides these outings, boarders are constantly involved in community service activities such as the Breast Cancer Awareness Walkathon, various charities and the IAYP programme.



Fun time at Kufi

## OUTBOUND

#### **CLASS XII TREK TO LAMADUGG 2015**

#### By Bhaskar Datta, XII O

A sombre night in a bus hurtling through the hillsides, arrival in Manali at the break of dawn—the treks had begun. With the luggage deposited in the hotel and breakfast out of the way, we decided to explore the local area that day. The evening came, and with it came heavy rain, which put our plans under a cloud of uncertainty. We were disappointed that our last trek as Yadavindrians was going to be nothing but a glorified one week stay in Manali town. Luckily for us compensation arrived in the form of a shorter trek to Lama Dugg, 10 kilometers from Hadimba temple, instead of Deo Tibba.

"Short" turned out to be a misnomer if ever there was one. It was eight hours of climbing up an incline of 40 degrees! Compounding the difficulty was lack of fresh water on the way. The trek claimed many 'victims'—those convinced that they wouldn't make it, and those plotting revenge on the brilliant minds who had come up with this idea. The stragglers, constantly wondered what they had

done to face such a fate. The leading groups, on the other hand, made good progress, but ended up losing their bearing and taking the 'long' scenic route.

We finally reached our campsite around 2 pm. Camp was set up and a plateful of Maggi restored our spirits. The evening was spent lounging around the camp and at night we stared at the night sky, awestruck at the number of stars filling it up and trying to discover new constellations. Come morning and we trekked even further up and reached the snow line. Horror stories and anecdotes were the order of the day with the whole group gathered around the campfire intently listening to stories about various encounters. With morning came a surprising wake up call. I found myself outside my tent, slightly wet due to the rain that had woken me up, having been pushed out of the tent by my tent mates while they slept. On gathering my wits I noticed that our tent had also collapsed on one side. Apparently it had rained heavily the night before.

The funniest part is that even though I woke

up outside the tent, I was better off than the others as the situation there was worse. Water had pooled in and most of the tent was drenched. The better part of the morning was spent circling the relit campfire, trying to dry my shoes. We returned to Manali that day and the trek was a piece of cake when compared to the uphill one, with no one complaining about anything. We left Manali the next evening and came back to school tired, weary but happy at being back in civilization and our beloved phones and gizmos with a bundle of memories in tow.

#### **CALL OF THE MOUNTAINS**

#### A Hatu Peak Recount

## By Ria Khurana VII - S

Hatu... the paradise where the skies glow a hundred shades of mellow pink, and a host of phantom listeners stand ever-ready to strip a traveller of his woes, leaving him enthralled in a spell where everything set in the mountains is a beauty. From the light drizzles, to the bonfires that set ideas alight- everything seemed to be making me fall in love with the

mountains. Every day at Hatu Peak was an opportunity to try out something new—shooting, sequence-climbing, staying awake for five nights in a row! Despite the confiscated sweets, long walks seemingly to the middle of nowhere and homesickness, I think I can safely say that my first trek made me realize that I was born for the mountains, where everything was just a sweet, slow dream. Beauty, after all, is in the eye of the beholder.

#### **CLASS IX, X AND XI GIRLS: NAGLERI**

By Sajneet Mangat, X E Extra torches, one's ugliest sneakers, the prized cuppa-noodles and bucket loads of girl enthusiasm were amongst the many things the girls of Classes IX, X, XI packed along for the trek to Nagleri in May 2015. The groans at not going for an unorganized trek proved to be a false indication of things to come. The fun was entirely more than we had imagined. All through the hot night of May and the mountainous national highways, the energetic Hindi and Punjabi karaoke never stopped, and at about six in the morning, we reached our campsite. The campsite, with cottages amidst the greenery, right on the banks of a tributary of the Beas, was a slice of paradise. As the

shrieks of appreciation subsided, we headed for a trek to Jalori Pass, a few kilometers away. The exhaustion of the ten hour journey disappeared at the sight of the breathtaking view of the valley from the hilltop. More was to follow. Outdoor water activities included, not just the staple river crossing, but something so extreme that at first most thought that the instructor was just pulling our leg. Yes, we jumped into the torrents of the rivers with only a rope around our waists. The icy-cold flood and that beautiful rush of adrenaline was an experience that one can only have by swimming in the Himalayan Valley Rivers. With each passing hour, trekking at Nagleri was giving us incredible experiences to be remembered. Another day, another thrilling encounter—we journeyed to a remote, untouched waterfall where the clear water from the melting snow added to the excitement. After an absolutely awesome time standing right below the falls on its mossy rocks, we called it a day after an evening walk to neighbouring villages. The following day we trekked 23 kms to visit ancient shrines on a mountain far off. The journey through the dense undergrowth with no clear pathway was a challenge in itself. However the group braved the tick bites and slippery mud to make it in



time for an entertaining dance night after special strawberry custard. Last days, dramatic and inevitable, we set off for home after a last adventure activity—rappelling. Climbing down boulders isn't something you do every weekend. There were tearful adieus to canine friends (Zelda), and the riotous river which had caused many sleepless nights was already being missed. The hilarious nights and wonderful laughter— YPS Treks!

#### TREKKING CHRONICLES - MANALI

### By Tanveer Singh Mangat, VIII N

The word 'Trekking' springs up in every Yadavindrian's mind at least a month before it actually comes by. 'Some' might think of it as a moment to take out their expensive clothes and gadgets. Others would call it a nightmare.

Pragmatists see it as five days of mountain activities. Teachers call it a part of their job. But most of us describe it as fun. The boys of Class 8 were to have their slice of 'fun' at Manali from May 24 to May 28.

Everyone sat eagerly, hands ready to rip open their packets of chips. The wait to reach the mountains seemed to be never-ending! There was that typical air of boredom in the bus; most kids dozing lightly, some trying to pass the time by playing cards, one boy still completing his lunch, and the constant nagging of my friend to straighten my seat. Then came the tunnel: long, dark, and eerie and suddenly everyone started screaming... "WOOHOO!" To someone standing two kilometers away it would have felt as if a bomb had exploded nearby. To someone inside the bus, well, you had to be there to feel it. We reached the campsite and had dinner. Then came the crucial moment of choosing the tent. The ideal tent was supposed to be spacious, well lit, close to the restroom, and far enough from the teachers so that you could stay up all night playing and yelling 'UNO!' You would call it asking for too much, but that's just the way things are during the treks. Heartbroken, we settled into our 'less favourite' tent. Half of the next day was spent trekking

through narrow paths in the mountains, marveling at snow covered peaks, and occasionally stopping by to stare endlessly at brightly-coloured insects or birds. The evening passed with hand cricket sixes and celebration dances. On the 26th, the guides took us near the Beas River, where we did rappelling and river-crossing. Most of the students were able to complete these activities with ease. After this, we went to Mall Road, where, jostling my way through the crowd, I bumped into a Yadavindrian every now and then. The next day we visited the Hadimba Temple which was overflowing with tourists and devotees. You had to wait in line to go inside, but it was worth the outstanding architecture and design which was showcased in the temple. 'DOOMS DAY: 28 MAY 2015'-that moment when you don't want to leave but you have to. It was time to pack our bags and go back to the monotonous life, void of adventures and scenic views. But nothing's ever built to last! And so, make the most of every opportunity especially when that opportunity is trekking, where you get a chance to actually understand and become a part of Nature!

#### LONDON

#### By Ishroop Kaur Sandhu, VII S

Going on a journey to visit far-off places always serves two purposes: sight-seeing and learning new things. With this idea, our school arranges such educational trips every year. This year I was lucky to get a chance to travel to England and Scotland. We reached London on July 25, 2015, and left the following day for Scotland by train. We visited the Science Centre at Glasgow, the Edinburgh Castle and were lucky enough to witness the military parade. Back in London on the 3rd day, we visited the 'London Eye', the Tower of London, the Buckingham Palace, Madame Tussauds and even took a cruise on river Thames. We had fun exploring the city and also visited the Chessington theme park in Surrey. The days ended all too soon but our time there was enjoyable and will live on in our memories.



## **FAREWELL**

"Don't be dismayed at good-byes. A farewell is necessary before we can meet again and meeting again, after moments or a lifetime, is certain for those who are friends."

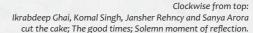
- Richard Bach

A farewell seems to be a 'sad occasion' but is in fact a celebration. Our young fledglings, whom the school has nurtured for twelve years are ready to spread their wings, leave the nest and venture out into the larger world beyond YPS. On February 6, 2016, the students of Class XI, bid adieu to their seniors. A presentation depicting the memories of the time spent by the outgoing students in school filled their hearts with nostalgia.

The highlight of the evening was the ramp walk for the coveted title of the 'Best Dressed' students. Anmol was declared the 'Best Dressed Boy' and Komal the 'Best Dressed Girl'. The cake cutting ceremony followed. A bonfire was lit outside the dining hall and Class XII students encircled it holding little earthen lamps in their hands. They took a solemn oath

to spread the light of knowledge and wisdom into the world outside YPS. Sanya Arora and Mannik Singh addressed the gathering and expressed their heart-felt emotions and feelings.

'The Last Step', a solemn ceremony that marks the end of school life made up the finale as the students received mementoes and symbolically 'Stepped out of YPS' amidst the beats of a Dhol played by Sanjam of Class XII.









# **BIDDING ADIEU**

Class XII-E



Anmol Arora
The Patiala House Captain is a self-confident and sincere boy. His genial nature and easy rapport with his juniors made him popular.



Arjun Bhandari
He is extremely cooperative and kind towards his classmates and has a cheerful personality.



**Bikramraj Singh Sandhu**A sincere student, he handles situations with an ease borne out of confidence.



**Binayreet Sidhu**A focused and ambitious individual, he has a pleasant disposition and is liked by all.



**Dilsher Singh Gill**The Co-curricular Prefect (Environment) has a pleasant personality and is known for being sincere and reliable.



**Gurshaan Singh Gill**A confident individual, he has a remarkable sense of humour which makes him popular with peers and teachers alike.



Harmohan Singh Dhillon
He has an independent outlook and a lot of interesting ideas which he pursues with conviction.



Ikrabdeep Singh Ghai
The School Head Boy, he has an even temperament and is always ready to adopt new ideas. An avid golfer, he is a brilliant actor and has made a name for himself in the city children's theatre.



**Mehtab Singh Bains**He is a hardworking student and displays immense maturity when required.



Satveer Singh Gurjar
He is an easy going and soft-spoken person who is well-liked by everyone.

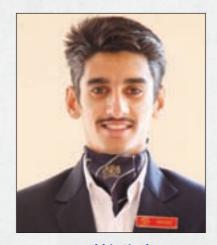
## Class XII-N



Anhad Inder Singh Guraya
A pleasant person, he has a great love for cars, and is always found talking about them.



**Balkaran Singh**He is a friendly person, and is well-liked by his peers.



Darshbir Singh
The Tagore House Prefect has been an important part of the YPS school cricket team. With a penchant for fun, he is liked by all.



**Gulraz Singh**A pleasant and fun loving student, he enjoys life to the fullest.



**Gursagar Singh**With a carefree and happy-go-lucky attitude towards life, he is popular among his peers.



Harsimran Kaur Bhullar She has a pleasant personality and is known for her friendly and helpful nature.



Jaskaran Singh
The Ranjit House Prefect holds a strong passion for Cricket and has been a part of the YPS school cricket team. He is popular among his peers.



**Karman Singh**This shy Boarding House Prefect, is well liked by his peers for his smilling face and soft ways.



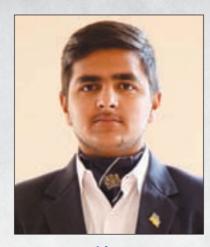
**Kermann Parmar**The Tagore House Captain has a pleasant and happy disposition makes her well liked by her batchmates.



**Megha Sharma**The Aitchison House Captain is a friendly, helpful person, who has been totally involved in her house activities.



**Mehtab Singh Gill** He is a pleasant and fun loving person.



**Nishant**The Boarding House captain is responsible and sincere, and is quite popular with his peers and juniors.



**Raj Karan Baidwan**He is a pleasant and fun loving student, and is popular with his peers for his sense of humour.



Ravneet Kaur Kahlon
The Patiala House Captain is a friendly and fun loving person.



**Rohan Singh**A good singer and a keen footballer, he has an amiable and friendly persona.



Romandeep Singh Grewal
He is a good-natured student with a pleasing personality.



**Sambhav Dhawan** A co-operative and well-mannered student, who is liked by his peers.



**Sanehdeep Khehra**An excellent athlete, has reached the National level in athletics, he is also good at writing poetry



Satwinder Pal Singh
Nalagarh House Captain, A disciplined and sweet
natured student, he is always striving to better
himself.



**Shakti Singh Randhawa**He is a quiet and well-behaved individual, who prefers to keep to himself.

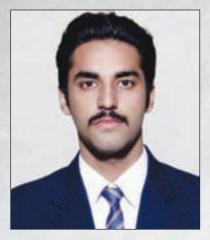


Sanya Arora
The Deputy Head Girl who was also the Editor-in-Chief of the school magazine, Sanya is a multi-faceted and focussed student. With a sound head on her shoulders, she has a high sense of integrity. She is also an excellent orator and passionate about drawing.



Sone Preet Kaur

The Nalagarh House Captain is a sweet-natured, pleasant and friendly person, who has led her house well.



Vishavjit Singh
With a desire to lead a luxuriant lifestyle, he is often seen smiling and making light of difficult situations.



Yuvraj Singh Gill

The Ranjit House Prefect is pleasant to interact with, maintains a good balance between his passion for cricket and his academics. He has also been a part of the YPS school cricket team.



Amrit Kaur Longia
An introvert with a sweet disposition, she always seems lost in her own world.



Armaan Singh Gurna
The Tagore House Captain is the epitome of a gentleman! A dedicated cricketer and an athlete par excellence, he is also respectful and soft-spoken. He will reach the zenith of success due to his sheer determination to excel in the task he undertakes.

Class XII-O



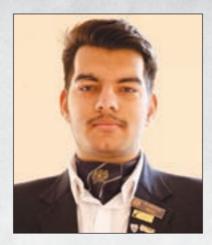
**Avinash Singh Sidhu** 

The Aitchison House Prefect is an example of an all round personality. He has excelled in academics, sports and extra-curricular activities. He is held in high esteem by his peers as well as his juniors and will bring laurels to his family as well as his alma mater.



**Gurpartap Singh** 

A quiet student, he is very popular among his juniors. He believes in and follows the motto-'Slow and steady wins the race'.



**Bhaskar Datta** 

The Co-curricular Prefect is an orator with a deep baritone, a computer wizard as well as a responsible student. His regularity and diligence are indeed praise-worthy! He is also an avid photographer as well as the member of the school editorial team.



**Gursobha Singh** 

The impish Ranjit House Captain is a budding equestrian, who has already made a mark for himself in National and International events. He is going to be a name to reckon with in the field and hold high the flag of his school and nation.



**Gurkaran Singh Madra** 

The ace hockey goalkeeper of the school team demands due respect from his opponents and peers alike due to his charismatic personality. Gurkaran is a keen sportsperson who believes in team spirit when it comes to matters related to his friends.



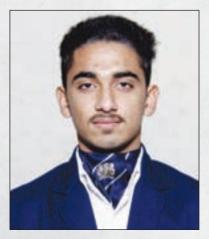
**Hardaman Singh Benipal** 

The Aitchison House Captain is a soft-spoken person with a steely resolve to excel despite all odds, a trait that has been reflected in the house results under his captaincy. He plans to join the defence services as an ace pilot.



**Jansher Singh Rehncy** 

The Deputy Head Boy is all-rounder with active participation in various activities in and outside the school. He is an excellent orator, member of the school hockey team as well as an academically inclined student.



Manraj Singh Virdi

'The Patiala House Prefect is the "Captain Cool" of the school cricket team. He is reliable, goodnatured and can be wildly-humorous amidst his friends.



**Komal Singh** 

The Head Girl of the school has a passion for western music and is an accomplished singer who is also a member of the school choir and has represented the school in various activities. She is also an avid reader who is usually found with her head buried in books. A focused student, she is always willing to lend a hand to anyone in need.



**Mannik Singh** 

The Co curricular prefect (Music) is a die hard "One Direction" fan and loves to sing as well. A diligent student as well as a good artist with varied creative interests, he will definitely make a mark for himself.



**Lovneet Bhatt** 

The Co-curricular Captain is an encyclopedia of knowledge and a quiz enthusiast. An excellent orator, he's a sincere student with candid views and one day aspires to be an IAS Officer.



**Puneet Kaur** 

The Nalagarh House Prefect is a sensible girl with a serious yet relaxed approach towards life. She is responsible towards her duties and aspires to be a doctor in the future.



Reet Inder Singh Dhaliwal
A true Punjabi at heart, his quirky sense of humour and happy-go-lucky attitude and sense of style has

won him many fans especially amongst his juniors.



Sanjam Harish
The accomplished 'Dhol' player of the school has a jovial attitude. He is a friendly person who loves to interact with his peers.

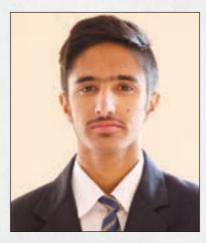


**Shashank Sood**A good natured person, Shashank spreads joy wherever he goes. He has a keen interest in computers and dramatics.



Siddharth Kabir Singh

Editor of the school publications and the Patiala House Prefect, Siddharth is also an actor par excellence. His flair for extra-curricular activities is visible in the many medals and awards he has won for sports, music, debates and quizzes to name a few.



Simarjit Singh Pannu

A gregarious, affectionate and respectful student, he is also a keen sportsperson with a flair for athletics

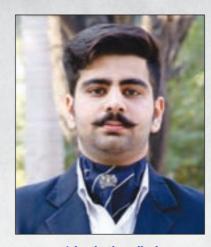


**Vinay Deep Singh** 

The Patiala House Prefect is always cheerful, carefree and easygoing. He takes keen interest in sports as well as academics, but also believes in enjoying the moment to the full.



Vishavjeet Singh Virk
The Aitchison House Prefect is an ace athlete as well as a member of the school hockey team. His ability to immerse himself whole-heartedly in any task assigned to him is his added asset.



Vishesh Chandhok
The Tagore House Prefect has made a mark for himself as a responsible and dependable student who will carry out the task assigned to him with due diligence.



Youngpreet Singh Sandhu
The Sports Captain of the school is an excellent athlete as well as a member of the school hockey team. A gregarious person, he is always found joking and laughing with his close set of friends.