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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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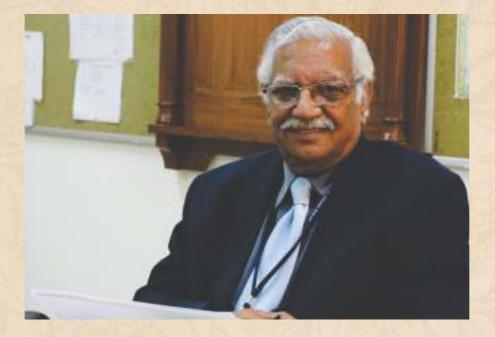
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THE HEADMASTER'S MESSAGE



"Success comes to those who work hard and stays with those, who don't rest on the laurels of the past."

It is with this ideology that we continue to encourage, inspire and educate our students to surpass their normative realms and do something extraordinary. "TO MOTIVATE THE WEAK, TO ADDRESS THE AVERAGE AND CHALLENGE THE GIFTED" is the teaching vision of our school.

We live today in a world that is so different from the one we grew up in, the one we were educated in. The world today is changing at such an accelerated rate that, we as educators need to pause and reflect on this entire system of education and ask the questions- Are our schools well equipped to prepare our children to face the challenges that the future holds?

A continuous process of reflection and brainstorming has helped us at YPS to create and implement a well balanced curriculum, thereby ensuring that the children who walk into the portals of our school will not just love their school years but truly be prepared to face life's challenges.

Even as we impart education to match the

advancement in technology and globalization, we march our children ahead with the YPS ethos of moral values and principles. We constantly endeavour to instill these qualities in our children. We pride ourselves to help them grow and develop into sensitive and responsible citizens of the next generation. As Aristotle once said, "Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all." In a fragmenting world, imbibing compassion and empathy is the need of the hour and we at YPS hone the same in our children through constant interactions, cross cultural sensitization, appreciation of worldwide festivities, care for the elderly and charity, through our socially useful productive activities.

Today, as we publish the school publication for the year 2017, it is appropriate to say that each issue of our school magazine is a milestone that marks our growth, unfolds our imaginations, and gives life to our thoughts and aspirations. It unleashes a wide spectrum of creative skills ranging from writing to editing and even in designing the magazine. I congratulate the entire editorial team for their hard work and dedication in making this dream come true. Teamwork is the hallmark of YPS. I am very sure through collaborative effort; we can achieve more to benefit our students who are the future leaders of tomorrow.

RP Devgan Headmaster



EDITORIAL

As the realization dawns on me, that this shall be my last editorial; I feel the importance of this message even more. The first thought that strikes me, as I write this is, what life would be like, when I step out from what has been my comfort zone for years. Each day at YPS made me wiser and gave me a treasury of beautiful memories of school life to be cherished.

This beautiful campus has been the perfect venue for the conception and implementation of many fantastic ideas and experiences, which will forever remain imbedded in my mind. Each area of the campus has very fond associations and memories of which, I will always carry with me.

YPS breathes the 'carpe diem' philosophy and the belief that, whatever you aim for, whatever you desire, you must pursue it with your entire soul and spirit. Believe in your goal, have faith in yourself and your capabilities, dream, imagine as dreams dreamt during childhood, often end up as success stories and it is at this age that we have a free and unbridled imagination to dream. Never lose track of your goals and let all your future actions take you, slowly but surely, closer to your goal.

If you want something from life, ask for it, work for it and still if you don't get it, leave it, just as if it was never meant to be. Stay stress free and spread happiness, make friends, respect teachers, help classmates and juniors, as all this contributes to your own growth, because life is a full circle, what goes around, comes around. I would also like to share with you the words of Muhammad Ali which have had a profound effect on me, "To be a great champion you must believe you are the best, if you are not, pretend you are" Yes, pretend you are the best and one day you WILL BE the best!

YPS is indeed one of the best schools in the country, as it gives you freedom to discover yourself and your abilities. It gives you a platform to realize the opportunities that come your way. It gives you a plethora of opportunities to tap your potential, measure up to your capabilities and compete against yourself. The MUN, IPSC tournaments, competitions, debates, athletic meet, cross country race, all shape your personality, and so make sure you make the most of them.

As I bid adieu, I wish you all a very happy and memorable school life, upholding the esteemed legacy of the glorious years of this prestigious institution.



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INVESTITURE CEREMONY



"A leader is one who knows the way, goes the way and shows the way."

- John C. Maxwell

It is rightly said, "True leaders don't create followers, they create more leaders." The Investiture Ceremony was conducted on February 12, 2016 to administer the oath of office to the Students' Prefect Council for the year 2016-17.

The occasion was solemnized with invoking the blessings of the Almighty. This was followed by Ikrab Ghai, the outgoing Head Boy, carrying the school colours proudly, as he led the Prefects' Council for 2015, onto the stage. The Prefects' Council for 2016, was escorted on stage by the Head Boy, Jaskirat Singh Lamba. The school flag was handed to the new Council, who pledged to abide by the rules and regulations of the school and work for the welfare of all Yadavindrians. This was followed by the Headmaster awarding the new Prefects' Council with crests, cravats and badges. The ceremony concluded with a speech by the outgoing Head Boy, Ikrab Ghai and the outgoing Head Girl, Komal Singh. Certificates and mementoes were distributed to the old Prefects' Council.

Opp. Page: The School Council, 2016-2017

SCHOOL PREFECTS' COUNCIL 2016

Head Boy Head Girl **Deputy Head Boy Deputy Head Girl** Sports Captain (Boys) Sports Captain (Girls) Co-Curricular Captain (Boys) Co-Curricular Captain (Girls) Co-Curricular Prefect (Music) **Boarding House Captain Boarding House Prefect Boarding House Prefect** Aitchison House Captain (Boys) Captain (Girls) Prefects Nalagarh House Captain (Boys) Captain (Girls) Prefects Patiala House Captain (Boys) Captain (Girls) Prefects **Ranjit House** Captain (Boys) Captain (Girls) Prefects **Tagore House** Captain (Boys) Captain (Girls) Prefects

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FOUNDER'S DAY 2016



YPS celebrated its XXXVIIth Founder's Day on April 9, 2016, with pride and jubilation. The celebrations commenced with the Academic Procession led by the Headmaster, Mr. R.P. Devgan. This was followed by the presentation of reports by the Students' Council, on the past year's achievements and activities in the school. The Junior School Head Boy, Manraj Singh and Head Girl, Myra Rhency presented the Junior School report. The School Head Boy, Jaskirat Singh Lamba and the Head Girl, Simrita Singh presented the academic report for the Senior School. Sahil Ahuja and Sanjana Singh, the Co- curricular Captains highlighted the co-curricular achievements of the school in their Co-curricular school report.

The Prize Distribution Ceremony followed, with prizes being awarded for academics and co-curricular activities. House trophies were also presented, with Patiala House winning the Champions' Trophy. The Chief Guest for the occasion was Mr. Benjamin Gilani, who is an acclaimed theatre and film personality. Seen recently in the very famous Bajirao Mastani, he has acted in movies like Sardar (1993) Hum Dum(2005) and has also made his presence felt in TV serials like 'Tara' and 'Rishtey'. In his address to the gathering he urged the students to seize the day and enjoy the present moment. He advised the students to, "Do what you love doing, find a goal and let your passion help you achieve it. If you believe in it, you will achieve your goal."

A variety entertainment programme was presented by the students. The highlights of the evening were the Kathak and the Hip-Hop dance. The energetic Bhangra dance performance by the students of Class XII, swept the audience off their feet as they all stood up to dance to the beats of the pulsating music.

The choir gave scintillating performances, adding euphony to the evening with their melodious voices.



Patiala House Lifts the Trophy!





Pulsating Bhangra Dance

Opp. Page: The Chief Guest (centre) Mr Benjamin Gilani with the Members of the Board (L) Mr Amarjot Singh Gill and (R) Mr Anil Nehru.

MAY DAY REPORT

"It is labour indeed that puts the difference on everything."

- John Locke

To acknowledge and appreciate the hard work and labour put in by the support staff, YPS organized a function on Saturday, April 30, 2016. Some of them have been serving the YPS fraternity for decades.

A special tribute was paid to Mr Kheeva Singh Ji and Mr Dilbaaz Ji, two members of the support staff, who left us for their heavenly abode, which was followed by a 'shabad'.

As a token of gratitude, the Headmaster distributed gifts to the employees, after which they were treated to tea and snacks. Free health check-ups were organized by the Old Yadavindrian Association (OYA), which were held in the Gym Hall. These consisted of eye screening tests by Grewal Eye Hospital, dental check-ups by Bhalla Dental Clinic, and Fortis Hospital offered its services of diagnostic tests, along with a check- up by a gynecologist. A presentation by the General Saviour Association about a tobacco-free Punjab was also shown.









THE HEART THAT GIVES, GATHERS





OLD YADAVINDRIANS ASSOCIATION (OYA)

The alumni of the batch of 1990 celebrated their 25th year in 2015. To commemorate their twenty-fifth year of their batch, they presented a cheque to the Headmaster in December last year. The money has been put to use for the construction of a new centralized drinking water system on the campus. The significant changes that can be seen are the cemented water points on the three floors in the school building, which now supply cold water to all students throughout the day. In addition to this, drinking water tanks have also been installed near the Main gate and beside the Amanjit Pavilion for all seeking to quench their thirst.

SUNDIAL

Sundials are the oldest known devices that are used to measure time. It depends on the rotation and movement of the sun. As the sun moves from east to west, the shadows formed predict the time of the day. The easiest method of teaching the concept of time to children is through reading the sundial. As children observe for themselves the movement of the shadows, they are introduced to the natural phenomena of science. Apart from learning, the sundial never ceases to create a sense of wonder and excitement amongst the children as they watch the lengthening and shortening of shadows. The batch of 1987 has been extremely generous in gifting a sundial to the school. Presently, the sundial is a hot favourite with the students, where one can find little heads engrossed in animated discussion!

YPS AT YALE-NUS MODEL ASEAN!



The National University of Singapore organized a model ASEAN summit from August 12 to August 14, 2016. Our school was invited to be a part of this initiative and a contingent of 11 students represented YPS, at Singapore.

We had two days to explore Singapore and indulge in leisure activities before we could actually crank up our gears for the debate. We visited Sentosa, Madame Tussauds and

the Universal Studios, which was a magical experience for all of us. After the sightseeing trips, it was time for work. So all of us rolled up our sleeves and got down to some serious research. All of us wanted to give our best at representing our individual countries and organizations in the debate. This MUN was a simulation of the ASEAN and its various bodies. Nine committees were simulated and topics ranging from drug abuse in South East Asia, protection of sex workers and the rampant illicit wildlife trade were provided to the delegates to opine and develop creative and pragmatic resolutions. All in all, it turned out to be a joyous and fascinating experience and I would like to encourage fellow students to participate and get involved in these programs which are both fun and educative in nature.

Jaandeep Cheema XII-O

COMPUTERS & ICT

I do not fear computers. I fear the lack of them. - Isaac Asimov

It has been an eventful year with regard to Computer Education and ICT at YPS. In addition to normal teaching of the curriculum and hobbies, our students participated in several Inter School Competitions, the most prominent being; the IPSC IT Fest held at Rajkumar College Rajkot, Gujarat. Sahil Ahuja of class XII-O made the school proud by securing the first position in the Java Programming event. Sahil Ahuja and Jaskirat Lamba of class XII-O came fourth in the final round of the IT-Quiz. Our school students also participated in the 13th International Informatics Olympiad, 2016 (IIO).

YPS Mohali hosted the Informatics Technology Competition on December 3, 2016, in which 10 schools from the Tricity participated. Sahil Ahuja (XII-O) secured the first prize in JAVA Programming Competition. Jaskirat Singh Lamba (XII-O) secured the second place in the PowerPoint category and YPS, Mohali, was adjudged the overall winner.

New ICT infrastructure has been put in place to benefit both students and staff, with an aim to achieve better IT integration and automation. The teaching staff has been provided laptops and new interactive classes have been added to the Kindergarten section. The school already has 40 interactive classes supported by TATA CLASS EDGE in place and a Wi-Fi equipped campus.



An Engrossing Presentation!



First Prize - Sahil Ahuja



Second Prize - Jaskirat Singh Lamba

BUILDING BRIDGES



THE BRIDGE

"Where words fail, music speaks." - Hans Christian Andersen

Music has a powerful influence in our lives. It has the power to ease anxieties, heal grieving souls, lift our spirits and mend differences created by man-made borders. To reach out to our neighbours in friendship, to let them walk into hearts as we extended our warmth to them, YPS, Mohali, was invited to participate in an online music exchange programme, by the Lahore Grammar School Pakistan. The programme was held on November 10, 2016 and the theme of the programme was 'Let's Sing Together'. In this project, a group of 35 children from different classes, prepared a song of peace "Chanda suraj lakhon taare " composed and sung by A.R Rehman and Nusrat Fateh Ali Khan. The project was organised in the Music Room. With the help of 'Skype' software, students of Lahore Grammar School and YPS were able to see and hear their counterparts. Enthusiasm could hardly be contained as the participants heard their friends in Pakistan singing the same song. This experience was not only satisfying, but also brought home the point that music knows no religion, country or borders. एकता और अनुशासन UNITY AND DISCIPLINE

The NCC aims at developing character, comradeship, discipline, a secular outlook, a spirit of adventure and ideals of selfless service amongst young citizens. Further, it aims at creating an environment conducive to motivating young Indians to join the armed forces.

The NCC unit at YPS was started in the year 2014, to achieve the above aims. Students from classes 8-10, have been enrolled to form a NCC unit, ably guided by Mr. Nirmaljeet Singh. Since its inception, the number of cadets has been increasing as students have shown a lot of interest and enthusiasm in joining NCC. The YPS grounds see the cadets marching smartly, every Thursday and Saturday, guided by an instructor from 3 Punjab (I) COY, NCC Ropar and Mr. Nirmaljeet Singh.

On Independence Day and Republic Day, the National Cadet Corps contingent of our school marched impressively around the school quadrangle, lending solemnity to the occasions.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- 10 Cadets from YPS, Mohali, who were inducted into the NCC in 2014, passed the 'A' certificate examination.
- In the same camp, the volleyball team of our girl cadets, as well as the boy cadets, bagged the second place in the volleyball competition.
- Kudrat Trehan (X O) secured the second position in the shooting competition at the camp.
- Gurnehmat Dhindsa (X E)was declared the 'All-Rounder Cadet' in the camp.
- Gurnehmat Dhindsa (X E) and Sukhmani Singh (X S) also attended a shooting camp at NCC Academy, Malout, Punjab in June 2016
- The 80 cadets who enrolled in the NCC batch of 2015, have achieved the 'A' certificate this year.



Cadets participating in 'Seachh Bharat' Cleanliness Drive

ACTIVITIES

- In 2016, the cadets of the batch of 2015, participated in a 'Swachh Bharat' Cleanliness Drive.
- 40-45 students of the NCC batch of 2015, attended an Annual Training Camp (ATC) in December, 2016.
- Cadets of the batch of 2016, attended a Yoga Camp on International Yoga Day on 21 June, 2016.
- This year they will attend an ATC camp at Roopnagar at the '3 Punjab' (I) Coy, Roopnagar.
- The major activities the cadets will take part in, are marching drills, map reading, group discussions and cultural programmes.



Unity and Discipline - The NCC Motto

KINDERGARTEN REPORT



It takes a big heart to shape little minds!

The essence of Kindergarten is nurturing a child's dreams, hopes and a sense of personal worth. This perhaps is the most important responsibility of every grown up who is a part of a child's life. We at Kindergarten believe that every child is precious and unique. Our team is fuelled by a passion to instill this truth deeply within the mind and heart of every student.

Our mission at the Kindergarten is to evolve a contemporary ethos of learning which integrates values and quality education, focusing on the needs of the children in this changing and complex world. In keeping with our motto of the year-"Being Gentle" we worked to imbibe this precious value in our little ones through innumerable activities and celebrations. Along with these, activities like "Circle Time" and "Show and Tell" enhanced the confidence and oratory skills of the children.

Children are encouraged to accept responsibility for their learning and behaviour. They are groomed to become confident, independent, creative thinkers, who then contribute to a just and fair society. Various activities like cleaning of the school campus, gardening (preparing flower beds), and educational visits were organized to develop their Life Skills.

To understand the psychology of children, the importance of early years and to keep up with the pace of the changing educational trends, the teachers were exposed to various workshops and trainings during the year. The parents too were invited for workshops on 'Parenting' and 'Phonics'.

This year the students of Kindergarten presented their annual musical 'Rumble in the Jungle', an adaptation from the famous story 'The Jungle Book' by Rudyard Kipling with great zest and vibrance. The musical, with its beautifully choreographed dances, melodious songs and brilliant emoting on stage was given a thunderous applause and standing ovation.

Little children are masters of the moment they love the way it feels when they smear paint on paper, they thoroughly enjoy the act of sprinkling glitter, and even the soft sound of a brush as it moves across the sheet, excites them. Children develop their fine motor skills as they manipulate crayons



Sara Jahan Se Aacha..



Enjoying Rain Dance!



Janamashtami Celebrations

or a paintbrush or tear, cut and paste paper. It helps to boost their self worth and sense of ownership when their work is displayed. To showcase the talent of our budding geniuses, Kindergarten Artist's Day was held in March. The theme 'And the Jungle Rumbles', was an extension of the Annual Day and children transformed discarded cartons ,CD's, tyres and cans into various interesting articles.

Research has proved that kindergarten teaches skills like patience and perseverance and that learning these skills early contribute to success as an adult. So, we at Kindergarten are involved in holistic development of each and every child throughout the year.

In the Kindergarten, as in life....learning never stops!!



The Corn Party



Posing With the Scarecrow



The Sky is the Limit



The Cast - Rumble in the Jungle



LOWER KINDERGARTEN

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JUNIOR SCHOOL REPORT



Jai Ho !

INVESTITURE CEREMONY

The Investiture Ceremony marked a significant beginning of the new academic year. It was held on March15, 2016 .The deserving young talents donned the mantle of leadership and vowed to discharge the responsibilities entrusted upon them by the school, upholding the motto of "Vidya Vinay Veerta".

Headboy	Taijas	
Headgirl	Myra Rhency (15 March-28 May 2016)	
	Sabreen Kaur Mann	
	(18 July 2016-31 March 2)	

House Captains

Aitchison (Boys)
Aitchison (Girls)
Nalagarh (Boys)
Nalagarh (Girls)
Patiala (Boys)
Patiala (Girls)
Ranjit (Boys)
Ranjit (Girls)
Tagore (Boys)
Tagore (Girls)

Harshveer Singh Gurman Kaur Sehajgeet Rangi Aashna Harraj Singh Noorpreet Kaur Sartaaj Tuli Aazeen **Dilshanveer Singh** Tanvi

1 March 2017)

ACADEMIC REPORT

"Learning is a treasure that will follow its owner everywhere." – Chinese Proverb

At Junior School, we believe in providing a conducive learning environment that nurtures children and brings out the best in them. This is facilitated by engaging the children in an array of activities that are in sync with academics. We focus on the holistic development of the students, be it physical fitness, developing critical thinking, logical reasoning or developing their social skills and emotional quotient. We are constantly working for better.

ENGLISH

"Learning a language is to understand others; to *form connections.*" – Steffanie Zazulak

Our young learners are energetic, active and enjoy activities to get a better grasp of the basics of the language. The year 2016-17 was full of such fun filled activities like Readathon and Buddy Reading for better reading skills, Spelling Bee to improve vocabulary and spelling, Spin-A- Yarn and Just A Minute to help enhance their oratory skills, Poetry Recitation to appreciate and recite poems by world renowned poets.



Young Poets ...



Buddy Reading in Session



V for Victory ...

Pair or group work for creative writing also gave our students a platform to share and express their views and put their imaginative ideas on paper.

Usage of Tata Class Edge helped reinforce the concepts covered in the classroom through interactive games.

MATHEMATICS

"The only way to learn mathematics is to do mathematics." - Paul Halmos

Mathematics has always been an integral part of learning and its practice helps inculcate logical thinking and reasoning skills. It also builds precise and analytical verbalization. We, in the Junior School, see that all this is taken care of and have adopted a systematic approach to help enhance our students' mental clarity and problem solving aptitude. We followed the CPA method where we moved from concrete to abstract with the help of pictorial representations. These skills were reinforced with the use of aids.

SCIENCE

"The science of today is the technology of tomorrow." -Edward Teller

At Junior School, we encourage the students to 'Learn by Doing'. Science is taught in a way that children can relate each concept to their day to day life. To accomplish this, emphasis was laid on group projects and research work. Students were made familiar with basic scientific apparatus and tools. The Discovery Room was impactful in facilitating better understanding and handson learning. Students were made aware about the three R's -Reuse, Reduce and Recycle. They used the same concept to make simple machines out of waste material. Tata Class Edge interactive board and Cross Curricular Approach helped the students to further develop a scientific aptitude.

SOCIAL STUDIES

"Unless social sciences can be as creative as natural science, our new tools are not likely to be of much use to us." -Adrian Edgar

While teaching Social Studies, a student centered approach is adopted to make learning more effective. Research Work and Project Work were periodically undertaken by the students which increased their awareness of the real world. Tata Class Edge formed an important part of our Social Studies curriculum. It was regularly updated with media, quizzes and worksheets. A field trip to the Capital Hill Complex, Chandigarh was also organized for the students of Class V. The children enthusiastically participated in the guided tour making the learning process more fun and meaningful. On the eve of Dusshera, the students of Classes IV and V portrayed ten qualities of Ravana as his ten heads. It emphasized on how these qualities could turn into vices if we allowed ourselves to be their slave. It urged all to shed ego, anger, jealousy, greed, attachment, pride, selfishness, cruelty, lust and injustice to become a better human being.

PUNJABI

"Language is the road map of a culture. It tells you where its people come from and where they are going." - Rita Mae Brown

Our endeavour is to enhance language skills in Punjabi and make the students aware of the rich literary heritage of Punjab. To achieve this, Punjabi periodicals and books on Punjabi literature were added to the library. Audio Visual Aids, Creative Writing, Calligraphy and Poetry Recitation Competitions formed an intrinsic part of the



Class V at the Capital Complex

Punjabi Curriculum to keep the children interested and enthusiastic about learning the language and to enhance their written and verbal skills.

HINDI

"Our language is the reflection of ourselves. A language is an exact reflection of the character and growth of its speakers." - Cesar Chavez

In the year 2017, Hindi Department took another step forward in making the teaching-learning of Hindi more exciting by introducing Spelling Games, Project Works and Narration of Stories with the help of 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 Triumph of Good Over Evil

COMPUTER

"Computing is not about computers anymore. It is about living." - Nicholas Negroponte

Computers have become the life line of the young generation. To keep our students updated with the latest and upcoming technologies, we introduced the use of internet for research work for Classes III-V. Apart from computer basics and MS-Office, students were made to work on new topics like HTML. They were given various project works related to other subjects. This not only helped in maintaining their interest in computers but also in learning computers and other subjects well. Research work on networking, keyboard shortcuts, technology facts and the Performance Workboat of Classes I to V was displayed in the school



Melodious Voices

which showcased their skills of the subject.

WESTERN MUSIC

"Music expresses that which cannot be put into words and that which cannot remain silent" – Victor Hugo

At YPS, music is an integral part of the Junior School and no function or event is complete without a musical performance. The year started off with a rendition of Gary Barlow's song 'Sing' in a joint performance by the Indian and Western Music Choir. During our Annual Play 'An Heir for the King', the Western Music Choir brought life and depth to each scene and character.

The entire Junior School participated in the Christmas celebration where the students of Class III took the main stage and led



In Sync...



The Young Qwaals...



The Heir is Here

everyone through different Christmas carols and melodies. Class V gave its last Christmas performance at Junior School in a medley of the songs 'It Came Upon the Midnight Clear' and 'So this is Christmas.' Another feather in our cap was being a part of Christmas Carol singing at St Stephen's School Chandigarh. It was a good year, ending with many good memories and happy tunes.

INDIAN MUSIC

Music teaches the children the sense and power of rhythm. We undertook many activities and implemented them successfully with the help of immaculate planning. Indian Music education begins with introduction to the basic concepts of 'Swar and Taal'. Special assemblies were organized at school to celebrate various Indian festivals. These acted as a platform where the children presented songs reflecting the festive spirit. To celebrate Independence Day at school, the children gave a foot tapping Percussion performance on the song 'Jai Ho'. Objects such as buckets, utensils, sticks and earthen pots served as percussion instruments. Students of Class I sang the song "Chalo Bachayein Sher Ko"

during their thematic assembly "Save the Tiger" and Class II sang the song "Waah Waah Kya Baat Hai" for their Thematic Assembly titled "Chandigarh."

THEATRE

"Great theatre is about challenging how we think and encouraging us to fantasize about a world we aspire to." - Willem Dafoe

Theatre changes life; fires the imagination and equips our children with the skills required to face the world. Theatre at Junior School is as important as any other subject. For the children, Theatre class is an opportunity to share their views, speak their heart out and get a chance to learn and hone their acting skills using improvisation exercises, storytelling and class room performances. The annual production of Junior School for this year was 'An Heir for the King' which was well received by the audience.

DANCE

"Dance is the hidden language of the body." -Martha Graham

Dance provides a wonderful opportunity for the students to express their emotions using



Bhangra...Bhangra... Bhangra...

synchronized movements of hands and feet and the body as a whole. The year was interwoven with special dance performances on different festivals and themes. The Annual Play and the Dance Hobby also showcased the dancing prowess of the children.

LIBRARY CORNER

'What a school thinks about its library is a measure of what it feels about education.' –Harold Howe

At Junior School, the library is a place to 'Read, Imagine and Explore.' This was evident in the collection of books that rose to 9,500 books. This year too, various competitions and activities were conducted by the Library. Junior School Library



Celebrating the Vibrant Spirit of Chandigarh...

continued with Buddy Reading for Classes I and II and also introduced it to Class III. The students of Classes IV and V became reading mentors for their younger buddies.

Readathon, an inter-section group wise reading competition entered its third successful year for Classes IV and V. Class III had its first eagerly awaited foray into the reading competition this year. Classes I and II had their own version of Readathon – aptly named Read-O-Fun, which was a two week reading activity. Book reviews were done by children as part of Readathon and Read-O-Fun. We also conducted a Reading Survey where the children interviewed their peers about their reading habits and preferences.



70 Glorious Years of Independence

Storytelling and Movie screening for Classes I, II and III was interspersed with listeningcomprehension and vocabulary enrichment sessions. The Activity Area of the library, where children of Classes I, II and III get together once a week to play indoor games in groups, saw an addition of various educational board games.

'Wordmaster', a hobby conducted by the Library, is an opportunity for the children to enhance their word power and language skills in English through games such as scrabble, crosswords, letter grids and introduction to Palindromes, Hink-Pinks, Alliterations, Rebuses along with penning Acrostic Poems.



Save Tigers-Together we can...

ART AND CRAFT *"Imagination is more important than knowledge."* Albert Einstein

Art is a comprehensive subject to kindle a child's imagination and inculcate creative thinking. Here, we provide a fun filled step by step gradation that helps the budding artists to explore different skills, techniques and material available. In art we have been doing print making, pattern making, portraits, imaginative drawings, composition, and perspective. In craft children learned cutting, pasting, paper folding, weaving, needle work, quilling, macramé, decoupage, use of POP, clay and shilpkari.

At the end of the session, a display of all the



Save Water - Every Drop Counts

art and craft work at the Visual and Performing Arts Exhibition served as a reflection of each child's creativity.

THEMATIC ASSEMBLIES

All the students of Classes I to V participate in Thematic Assemblies which not only serve as a platform to showcase their talent but also help in creating social awareness.

The students of Class I, in their assembly 'Save the Tiger', shed light on the declining population of endangered tigers, which are being killed for their skins. They urged everyone to work towards saving the tigers. The history, culture and important places of our city beautiful were illuminated by the students of Class II in their assembly 'Chandigarh'.



Enjoying the Special Assembly ...

Class III students emphasized the importance and ways of water conservation in their assembly 'Every Drop Counts'.

ANNUAL VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS EXHIBITION

On 6 February, 2017, the corridors of Junior Wing came alive with a kaleidoscope of colours. The campus reverberated with the music and beats of the performing students. On this day, the students of Classes IV and V displayed their talent honed through the year during their respective hobby classes.

As part of the Art and Craft display, items made using weaving, quilling, macrame', decoupage, print making, pattern making, portraits, imaginative drawings, composition and perspective livened up the corridor of Junior School.

The Clay Modelling and Pottery Group exhibited their creativity by making miniature models of different of means of transport, a modern farmhouse, vases, wild animals, wind chimes and an assortment of home décor items.

The children of French and Korean hobby groups enthusiastically shared their newly acquired language skills with the visitors by playing interactive games and providing a peek into the culture, food, and national symbols.

The children of the Wordmaster hobby, displayed charts and games that explained different concepts of English language. Working with Nature, a hobby that was introduced this year, helped the children understand how to work in harmony with nature. The children proudly shared their produce of seasonal vegetables. The budding artists of Indian Music hobby sang and played the orchestra on 'Swar Malika' in raag 'Shudh Swaras' followed by the song 'Sa Re Ke Sare Gama ko lekar ' in Taal 'Keharva.'

The musical treat continued with the performances by the Western Music hobby

students. A rendition of the song 'Best Day of My Life' by 'The American Authors' was played on the piano, synthesizer, drums and guitar. A musical composition 'Nightingale' by Yanni was also performed on the piano, strings and guitar. A solo piano performance by Rakshit Awasthi of Class IV and the guitar ensemble by Manveer, Harshveer and Siddhant of Class V enthralled the audience. The children of the Theatre Hobby Group presented the play 'Eidgah' by Munshi Premchand. It highlighted the core human values of compassion and emotional intelligence. Hamid, the young protagonist of the play encouraged everyone to face the adversities of life with a smile. The girls of the Indian Folk Dance Group put up a captivating 'Kumaoni' dance on the song 'Beru Pako Baramasa' based on two popular fruits of the Kumaon region - the Beru and the Kafal.

The much awaited Bhangra performances by two groups stole everyone's hearts with their happy feet, colourful traditional attire and turbans. With the harvest season round the corner, the students performed the vigorous 'Vadhi' dance.



Creativity at its best ...



Myriad Expressions..



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CO- CURRICULAR REPORT

"Anything you can teach in an indoor classroom can be taught outdoors, often in ways that are more enjoyable for children". ~ Cathy James

The following co- curricular activities were conducted through the year to enrich the children's experience at school.

Date	Event	Prize winners
April 28	Shoe Lace Tying Activity	
	for Students of Class I	
May 24	English Poetry Recitation	Akshadhaa Bali (III-N)
	for Class III	Riptapan kaur (III-S)
		Ambarjot Singh(III-N)
May 24	Inter House English Poetry	Rhea Mann (IV-E)AH
	Recitation for Classes IV	Antara Sharma(IV-S)PH
	and V	Sartaaj Tuli(V-O)TH
August 23	Spelling Bee for Class I-V	
August 26	1. Punjabi calligraphy for	
	Classes II – V	
	2. Hindi Poetry Recitation	
	for Classes I-III	
August 29	Spin –a- Yarn for	Nalagarh
	Classes IV and V	Ranjit
		Tagore
September 1	Punjabi Poetry Recitation	Manraj Singh (V-S) PH
	for Classes IV and V	Sartaaj Tuli (V-O) TH
		Taijas (V-S) RH
October 24	Patka Tying and Hair	
	Braiding Activity –	
	a pre Trek Activity	
October 25	Treks for IV and V	
December 20	Hindi Poetry Recitation	IV-N
	for Class IV	IV-O
		IV-T



Winners of Spin-A-Yarn

December 20	Hindi Poetry Recitation	V-T
	for Class V	V-O
		V-S
December 21	English Poetry Recitation	Gursimar Kaur III-O
	for Class III	Yuviana Sachar III-E
		Jigyasu Girdhar III-S
December 21	Inter House English	Taijas V-S (RH)
	Poetry Recitation for	AkshitaSharma IVT(RH)
	Classes IV and V	Ravleen Kaur V-O(NH)
February 8	Kite Flying Activity	
February 15	English Calligraphy for	
	Classes IV and V	
February 16	Punjabi Poetry Recitation	I-0
	for Class I	I-S
		I-E
February 16	Punjabi Poetry Recitation	II-N
	for Class II	II-E
		II-S
February 16	Punjabi Poetry Recitation	III-S
	for Class III	III-N
		III-O
March 14	Just-a-Minute for	
	Classes IV and V	
March 14	Spelling Bee 2 for	
	Classes I-V	
March 16	Art Competition for	
	students and staff	

SPORTS

"By playing games you can artificially speed up your learning curve to develop the right kind of thought processes." - Nate Silver The year 2016-17 kick started with Swimming and Yoga season. Inter-Class Swimming Meet was conducted from 18 – 20 May 2016 for classes IV and V. July and August were the months of Football season. Inter-House Football League was conducted from 22 – 31 August 2016. September to November was the Athletics Season. Inter-class Athletics Meet for Classes I to V was conducted from 15 – 23 November 2016.

The best athletes were:

Class	Boys	G
Class I	Gurshaan Singh I-E	S
Class II	Rajveer Singh II-S	Т
Class III	Ritiesh Sharma III-S	S
Class IV	Arnav Mahajan IV-O	A
	Aitchison House	N
Class V	Jasnoor S Dhaliwal V-T	N
	Nalagarh House	Р

Girls Sarah Raizada I-N Tamanna Walia II-E Sidhak Kaur III-S Arshiya Surya IV-T Nalagarh House Noorpreet Kaur V-O Patiala House



Best Athletes of 2010

Cross Country for Classes IV and V was held on November 24. The

positions were:		
Class	Boys	Girls
CLASS IV		
1st	Harjas Singh IV-O	Arshiya Surya IV-T
2nd	Rachit Mittal IV-S	Bandana Singh IV-E
3rd	Guntash Singh IV-O	Jasmine Singh IV-S
CLASS V		
1st	Jeevanjot Singh V-T	Noorpreet Bajwa V-O
2nd	Jasnoor S Dhaliwal V-T	Japleen K Dhaliwal V-O
3rd	Daivik Sharma V-T	Arwen Singh V-T

SPECIAL ACHIEVERS OUTSIDE SCHOOL

Children from Junior School participated in Mohali District Swimming Meet held on 28th May 2016. Following are the positions:

Name	Class	Event	Position
Jasnoor Kaur	V-E	50 mts Back Stroke	1st
		50 mts Breast Stroke	1st
		Individual Medley	1st
		100 mts Free Style	1st
		50 mts Free Style	2nd
Mahika	V-S	50 mts Back Stroke	1st
		50 mts Free Style	2nd
		100 mts Free Style	3rd
		200 mts Free Style	3rd
Arwen Singh	V-T	100 mts Free Style	3rd
Rishi Raj	V-T	50 mts Back Stroke	3rd
Yuvraj	IV-O	50 mts Free Style	3rd
Anhad	IV-O	100 mts Free Style	3rd

Jasnoor, Mahika, Yuvraaj were selected to represent Mohali District in State Competition



Following are the positions in State Competition:

V-E	100 mts Free Style Relay	1st
	200 mts Medley Relay	1st
	50 mts Back Stroke	2nd
	Individual Medley	3rd
IV-O	200 mts Medley Relay	2nd
	100 mts Free Style	3rd
		200 mts Medley Relay 50 mts Back Stroke Individual Medley IV-O 200 mts Medley Relay

Jasnoor Kaur represented Punjab State in Swimming National.

Armaanvir Singh of Class IV O participated in 54th National Open Roller Skating Hockey Tournament held at Jodhpur, Rajasthan .He won a Gold Medal in Sub Junior Category.



Opp Page: Neck to neck for the gold...

Off with the clap...

WORKSHOPS ATTENDED BY TEACHERS

WORRDI	IOI O MI I LINDLD DI	I LITCIILIKO	
Date	Name of Workshop	Venue	Resource Person
4 April	E blocks Training	KG Block	Shomalika
9 April	Fostering Psychological	PGI	
	Development - Importance		
11 4 1	of Early Years	D 11 ·	T TT 1
11 April	Learn today for Science- Scientist	Delhi	Learn Today
7 May	First Aid Training	Jr School	Dr. Vandana Sharma
24 May	Critical Thinking	Jr School	Nimarta
22 - 25 July	Stage Lighting		Alankar - NSD
6 August	21st Century Computer	The First Hote	Next Education
	Science Curriculum	Chandigarh	
11 August	Speech and Hearing	Jr School	Ms Roshni Mishra
	Disorders		
27 August	Experiential learning-		Next Education
	The Class room Guide		1 7 0 0
10 Septembe	er Effective Speaking		l British Council
22.6		Chandigarh	DEL
22 Septembe	er Phonics and Dictionaries	The Doon School	Dr Elaine Higgleton
15 October	WOW Maths –	Jr School	Garima - E3Edu
15 October	Math can be FUNTASTIC	JI SCHOOL	Solutions
21 October	Revisit Tata Edge	Jr School	Tata Class Edge
22 October	Strategies for Maths		Sarita Mathur
	Success		– Scholastic
18 February	Using Pictures in the		l British Council
	Classroom	Chandigarh	
19 February	Creative Approach to	Senior School	Ms. Rebecca
	Social Emotional Learning		
4 March	Content and Language –		l British Council
	Integrated Learning	Chandigarh	

Junior School Theatrical -AN HEIR FOR THE KING

The month of October is a month filled with excitement and anticipation for the children of Class V as this is the time when their passion for acting, music and dance is discovered, nurtured and showcased.

This year's annual production 'An Heir for the King' was staged at Tagore Theatre on October 14, 2016. The story selected for the play, albeit simple, dealt with an oft contemplated question, 'Who is worthy to be a King's heir?' This play highlighted that values of compassion, empathy and humility are the need of the hour irrespective of your talents, gender or socio-economic status. The role of the King was confidently played by Manraj Singh Bhullar. Tanvi Sharma's portrayal of Bonnie- a compassionate human being and the chosen heir, struck a chord with the audience. The messengers Hither, Thither and Yon played by Dilshhanveer S Bachhal, Mehtab Singh Virk and Ishaanveer Chahal respectively had the audience in splits with their antics and dialogue delivery. The audience was also quite amused by the mannerism of highway men Angad Singh Dhami, Parth Malik, Ekambir Singh Brar and Dhruv Jaggi. It was a delight to watch Taijas Singh and Aashna Parmar as jester narrators who kept the audience captivated.

The lively dances were a riot of colours and brought to life the elegance of ballroom dances and the exuberance of country dance. The choir presented a treat for music lovers with a melody of songs. The final song 'Welcome Now the King' awarded a rousing welcome to the King and provided a fitting end to the play. The set and the props crafted in the school itself authenticated scenes depicted in the play.

The director of the play, Vijay Kumar Machal, beautifully strung together the actors, singers and dancers putting forward a remarkable show which was well appreciated by the audience.



Ensemble for 'An Heir for the King'



Celebrations !



'Fooled 'em all!'



Hither, Thither and Yon!





Class I-E

Class I-O





Class I-N

Class I-S





Class II-E

Class II-O



Class II-S

Class II-N





Class III-E

Class III-O







Class III-S



Housemaster: Ms. Kalyani Oruganti | House Captain (Boys): Harshveer Singh | House Captain (Girls): Gurman Kaur

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Housemaster: Ms. Meenakshi Goel | House Captain (Boys): Harraj Singh | House Captain (Girls): Noorpreet Kaur





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Housemaster: Ms. Harpreet Binepal | House Captain (Boys): Dilshanveer Singh | House Captain (Girls): Tanvi

SENIOR SCHOOL REPORT



Follow the Shadow ...





Avinash Singh



Anmol Arora

Bikram Raj



ACADEMIC REPORT

In the words of Dalai Lama, "When educating the minds of our youth, we must not forget to educate their hearts." At YPS, we focus on discovering, developing and drawing out the hidden talents and the magic lying dormant inside all of its students. From academics to co-curricular activities; perseverance and a never-say-die spirit are entrenched in the heart of every student, not only making them academically strong students but also good human beings. YPS gives its students, a value-based education synergized with modern teachinglearning methods to produce a generation of well informed and emotionally sound young adults.

As 2016-17 saw another successful year of

the March-April session, the students wrote projects, gave presentations and participated in classroom activities, exhibiting self-motivation. Presentations following research on certain subjects were seen as a great tool to judge overall comprehension of topics, which was made possible with well-structured lesson plans.

The year saw Yadavindrians excelling in the field of academics. In the ISC Examination, 2016, a total of 53 students appeared for the exam, out of which 6 scored above 90% and 37 above 70%. Sanya Arora topped the Humanities stream with 95.5%; Avinash Singh topped the Science stream with 94.75%; Anmol Arora and Bikram Raj led the Commerce stream with 77.25%. Sanya Arora was also the tricity topper in Humanities.

As for the 2016 ISCE examinations, a total of 117 students appeared, of which 30 students scored above 90% and 75 of them scored above 70%. Pranav Raj topped the ICSE with 96.2%. The Scholars Tie is awarded to students attaining 85% and above marks for three consecutive years and are selected from classes VII to IX. For the session 2016-2017, 21 students were given the prestigious Scholar's Tie.

CO-CURRICULAR REPORT

Co curricular activities form an integral part of the non - academic curriculum at YPS and help develop various facets of the personality of the students, fostering their all round development, essentially their intellectual, physical, moral, emotional and social development. The students are

encouraged to participate in a wide range of activities, such as Debates, Declamations,

Music, Dance, Theatre, Quiz, MUNs etc. which help students discover their passions and explore themselves.

Date	Event	Organized By	Participant and Position
14-16 Apr. 2016	Seventh DF Jack Memorial English Debate Padamshri JK Kate Memorial Hindi Debate	Daly College, Indore	Pranav Raj (XI O), Aditya Jain (XI N) Sajneet Mangat (XI N) Aaliya Sachar (X O) and Gandharv Thakur (IX N)
	PG Miller Memorial Quiz		Upamanyu Yadanapuddi (XI O), Aditya Jain (XI N) 2nd Runners up
7 May 2016	Inter School Declamation Contest on the harmful effects of tobacco	Sahayata Cancer Kendra	Gunjeev Singh (IX T)
15 Jul. 2016	Frank Anthony Memorial All India Inter School Debate Competition- Category I	Sacred Heart Convent School, Sahnewal	Shreya Arya (XII E), Sajneet Mangat (XI N)
15 Jul. 2016	Frank Anthony Memorial All India Inter School Debate Competition- Category II	St. Francis School, Amritsar	Gurnehmat Kaur Dhindsa (X E), Gandharv Thakur (IX N)
18 Jul. 2016	Albert Barrow Memorial Inter School Creative Writing Competition	Frank Anthony Public School, New Delhi	Jaskirat Singh Lamba (XII O)
29-30 Jul. 2016	Inter School Silver Fiesta Movie Appreciation Workshop cum Film Review Competition	Kasiga School, Dehradun	Jaandeep Singh Cheema (XII O), Sanjana Sidhu (XII N), Shreya Arya (XII E) and Sajneet Mangat (XI N) : Jury's Choice Award
9 Aug. 2016	National Anveshika Experimental Skill Test (NEAST)	National Anveshika Network of India	Sahil Ahuja (XII O) : 3rd in Tricity
11Aug. 2016	Maharani Devi Quiz	Swai Man Singh Vidhyalaya, Jaipur	Sahil Ahuja (XII O), Dhruv Trehan (XII O), Kartikeya Puri (X S) : The team reached the final round of the competition.
29 Aug. 2016	Inter School Poster Making Competition	n Lion's Club, Chandigarh	Dipneet Kaur (X E), Sara Khurana (X O), Eknoor Kaur (VIII O)

25–26 Aug. 2016	Landmark Knowledge Conclave GK Quiz English Debate	Genesis School, Noida	Dhruv Trehan (XII O), Preet Karan Singh(XI E) and Tanveer Mangat (IX T) : First Position Shreya Arya (XII E), Gurnehmat Kaur Dhindsa (X E), Amoldeep Singh (IX O)
24–28 Aug. 2016	Young Thinker's Conclave Script Writing and Play G K Quiz English Debate Hindi Debate	Mayo College Girls School, Ajmer	Sanjana Sidhu (XII N), Sajneet Mangat (XI N), Prabhmeh Sandhu (XI O), Chitvon Singh Mann (XI O): 3rd Position Jaandeep Singh Cheema (XII O), Upamanyu Yaddanapudi (XI O) and Pranav Raj (XI O). The team reached the final round. Pranav Raj (XI O), Sajneet Mangat (XI N), Prabhmeh Sandhu (XI O) Tanya Ahuja (XI N), Agamnoor Kaur (IX O), Gandharv Thakur (IX N)
24 Aug. 2016	12th Kirloskar Inter School Business Quiz National Psychology Quiz 'Psych-ED 2016'	Lawrence School, Sanawar Fortis Healthcare	Mohantaj Dhillon (XI E), Parwan Virk (X N), Ansh Chauhan (IX T) Sanjana Sidhu (XII N), Kasamjot Sidhu (XII N), Guntaj Kaur (XII N)
8–10th Sep. 2016	 IPSC Visual Arts Festival Pottery Artificial Flower making & Arrangemen Tattoo Designing Still Life Poster Making Photography Imaginative Composition Puppet Making Clay Modelling Cartooning 	Mayo College Girls School, Ajmer ht	Partesh Singh Ramana (X S) : 3rd Prize Jasleen Kaur(XI N), Puneet Bhullar (XII E) Ishrat Randhawa (XI N) Sumeet Bajwa (XI N) Gurnehmat Dhindsa (X E) Gurnehmat Dhindsa (X E), Robinpreet Singh (X O) Harleen Kaur(XI N) Gurleen Kaur (XII O), Puneet Bhullar (XII E) Partesh Singh Ramana (X S) Robinpreet Singh (X O)
Oct 2016	Inter School Art Competition on Diversity	Canadian High Commission	Agamnoor Kaur (IX O), Eknoor Kaur (VIII O)
Oct 2016	PCRA Quiz based on Petroleum Conservation, Agriculture, Transport etc	Petroleum Conservation Research Association	Tanay Gopal (X S) and Suhel Singh Randhawa (VIII T) were declared the District Winners 35 students from classes 8 to 10 participated.

1–5 Oct. 2016	DST Inspire Science Workshop	Chandigarh University	Samar Gill (XI O): Declared Brand Ambassador for CU Upamanyu Yaddanapudi (XI O) and Parima (XI O) : 1st Prize in Science Quiz Pranav Raj (XI O), Gurnoor Singh (XI O)
5 Oct. 2016	Environment Awareness Quiz	Nature Conservation Society Punjab (Mohali)	Kanishka Garg (X S), Anshnoor Kaur (X E), Astha Bajwa (X S) Tanay Gopal (X E), Avneesh Singh (X E), Gurnehmat Kaur Dhindsa (X E): 4th Position
3–5 Oct. 2016	JK Kate Memorial All India Inter School Knowledge Conclave Quiz English Debate	Punjab Public School, Nabha	Dhruv Trehan (XII O), Tanveer Mangat (IX N): 2nd Prize Pranav Raj (XI O): Best Speaker for Turncoat Debate
21–26 Oct. 2016	IPSC Technology Fest Programming Power Point Presentation Quiz Poster Making Cartoon Making	Rajkumar College, Rajkot, Gujarat	Sahil Ahuja (XII O): 1st Prize Jaskirat Singh Lamba (XII O), Gurnehmat Kaur Dhindsa (X E) Jaskirat Singh Lamba (XII O), Sahil Ahuja (XII O) Gurtaj Singh (XII O), Tanveer Singh Mangat (IX N) Tanya Ahuja (XI N)
22 Oct. 2016	Business Quiz	University of Fraser Valley, Canada	Simrita Singh (XII N), Yashita Bagga (XII E), Dhruv Trehan (XII O), Preet Karan Singh (XI E)
3 Dec. 2016	Inter School IT Fest	YPS, Mohali	Sahil Ahuja (XII O) : 1st Prize (JAVA Programming) Jaskirat Singh Lamba (XII O): 2nd (PPT) Shyan (IX S), Sajneet Mangat (XI N)
16 Dec. 2016	Quiz Thailand 2016	Tourism Authority of Thailand	Jaandeep Singh Cheema (XII O), Dhruv Trehan (XII O) : 4th Tanay Gopal (X E), Avneesh Singh (X E), Sauhard Batra (IX N) Shayan (IX S), Harshvir Singh Sodhi (X E), Jaskaran Singh Grewal (X O), Gurnehmat Kaur Dhindsa (X E), Partesh Singh Ramana (X S), Gandharv Thakur (IX N), Tanveer Singh Mangat (IX N)
15 Dec. 2016	A World in Motion Jet Toy and Skimmer Olympics 2016	Mahindra Swaraj	Aditya Singla (VI S), Uday Sodhi (VI S), Ishaan Rawat (VI S), Parul (VI T), Harshpreet Singh (VI O), Jaiveer Singh (VI N), Parth Singla (VI E), Karan Virdi (VI E)

MODEL UNITED NATIONS

Model United Nations is the educational version of the United Nations with different committees at a conference. Students participate as delegates, representing various countries, organizations or individual portfolios. They participate in rigorous debates and discussions on some of the most pressing issues of today. Delegates learn important skills, such as critical analysis, logical argumentation, articulation, strategy, technical writing, research and more. This year, students from YPS participated in NUMs both at the National and International levels.

	DATE	NAME OF MUN	ORGANIZERS	WINNERS/PARTICIPANTS
	22–24 Jan. 2016	YALE NUS MUN	National University of Singapore	Sanjana Singh (XI N), Bhalinder Singh (XI E),Kunwar Shahbaz Singh (XI N), Tanya Sandhu (XI O), Ajeshwar Singh (XI N), Harkrit Singh Nagpal (IX E), Bhavjit Singh Sandhu (IX S), Jaskaran Singh Basati (IX E), Kudrat Trehan (IX O), Japnaman Singh (IX S), Partesh Singh Ramana (IX S), Sukhmani Singh (IX S), Gurnehmat Kaur Dhindsa (IXE), Tarandeep Kaur (IX S), Kartikeya Puri (IX S), Apaarjit Singh (IX T), Ritwij Shastri (IX S), Kanishka Garg (IX T)
	23–24 Apr. 2016	Sela Qui International School Model United Nations	Sela Qui International School, Dehradun	Gurnehmat Kaur Dhindsa (X E): Best Delegate Award Agamnoor Dhillon (IX O), Anshnoor Kaur (X E), Tarandeep Kaur (X S), Kartikeya Puri (X S), Partesh Singh Ramana (X S), Tanay Gopal (X E), Tanveer Mangat (IX N)
	12–14 Aug. 2016	YALE NUS ASEAN	National University of Singapore	Jaandeep Singh Cheema (XII O), Jai Sharma (XII O), Jai Kamal (XI O), Daanvir Singh (X O), Naman Arora (XI E), Samridh Gupta (IX S), Sehardeep Kaur (IX O), Mankeert Kaur (IX O), Arjun Raina (X O), Siddhnat Vir Gupta (IX N), Sauhard Batra (IX N)
	2–4 Oct. 2016	Welham Boys School Model United Nations	Welham Boy's School, Dehradun	Shreya Arya (XII E), Sukhman Kaur Dhanoa(XII N), Sanjana Sidhu (XII N), Jaandeep Singh Cheema (XII O), Kunwar Shahbaaz Singh Jhajj (XII N), Agamnoor Kaur(IX O)
	8–10 Oct. 2016	Genesis MUN	Genesis Global School, Noida	Prabhmeh Sandhu (XI O) :High Commendation Award Baishali (XII E):Special Mention Award. Both were chosen for a paid internship in the fields of Health, Education and Economics. Puneet Kaur Gill (XII O), Gurinder Kaur (XII N), Vipul Jain (XII O), Inayat Brar (XI O), Kartikeya Puri (X S), Kanishka Garg(X S), Sehej Singh (X E), Parmeet Singh (X E), Pavit Singh (X E), Preet Kunwar Singh (IX O)
	12–14 Nov. 2016	YPSMUN	Yadavindra Public School, Patiala	Pranav Raj (XI O), Prabhmeh Sandhu (XI O), Parima (XI O), Harbir Singh Batth (XI O), Sajneet Mangat (XI O), Partesh Ramana (X S), Reet Maggo (IX N), Gunjeet Bhullar (IX E), Samridh Gupta (IX S), Sanmeet Kaur (IX S)



Celebrating Earth Day



Young Environmentalists



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ENVIRONMENT

A nation that destroys its soils destroys itself. - Franklin D. Roosevelt

The two foremost global priorities are education and the environment. Both govern the quality and existence of life on earth. Unfortunately, the maximum damage to the environment has been caused by human beings.

Being the most intelligent species on the earth, they have also contributed to a large extent in protecting and conserving the environment. It is imperative that we help students in developing the right attitude and values towards conserving the environment.

Environmental education helps in developing concerns at the local and global level through various activities like the identification of flora and fauna in the school campus, growing medicinal herbs in kitchen gardens, taking care of pets and wildlife and paper recycling. As a part of the curriculum, students conduct research on migratory birds, animals and plants and observe changes like humidity, rainfall pattern and temperature. Students collect clippings of news reports, photographs and articles related to environmental issues. This information which is gathered is disseminated through charts, posters, collages, videos and bulletin boards. A number of activities, like painting competitions, quizzes, Just- a- Minute competitions, declamations are conducted, on significant days related to the environment.

World Water Day, Energy Conservation Day, Earth Day, Ozone Day, Green Consumer Day are celebrated by the students. Moreover, campaigns like Give- a-Tree to the Earth, Paper- free Dustbins, Cracker- free Diwali and Waterless Holi were launched this year, to create awareness among the students

HOBBIES REPORT

*Happy is the man who is living by his hobby*George Bernard Shaw

Hobbies are food for the soul. They provide a break from the regular, humdrum life, allowing us to let our creative juices flow. The pursuit of hobbies adds joy to our lives, keeping children active, busy and cheerful. Moreover, hobbies form an integral part of



Dignity of Labour

our curriculum. Children learn new skills from the hobby chosen by them. By integrating these activities into their everyday school lives, children learn time management, critical thinking, teamwork and social skills.

Hobbies are conducted twice a week for each class and include Art, Craft, Theatre, Music, Home Management, Paper Recycling, Gardening, Dance, Bhangra, Board Games, German language and Electronics.

LEARNING CENTRE

Never discourage anyone who makes continual progress, no matter how slow." - Plato

The Learning Centre at YPS, a unique feature of the school, caters to the needs of students with knowledge gaps, skillgaps,



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learning difficulties and behavioral disorders. The learning center has two wings for both, the junior as well as the senior school. At YPS, we identify the needs of slow learners and children with attentiongaps starting as early as possible.

An assessment is done to determine whether the child requires enrollment.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.

The Centre has 14 students in the junior wing from classes I -V and 20 students in the senior wing. Issues related to reading, comprehension, written expression, sequencing, low attention span, retention



Moving Ahead Steadily

and numerical concepts are addressed. We assist them in their academics without compromising on their games and extracurricular activities.

Students show marked improvement through the collaborative efforts of the class teachers, special educators and parents. Workshops are conducted for the teaching staff from time to time to sensitize them regarding various learning issues. Regular meetings with the parents are also conducted.

The students of the school who cannot cope with the ICSE Board have the facility of appearing for the National Institute of Open Schooling Board at the secondary and the senior secondary level.



Independence Day Celebrations

Guidance is provided to them in their specific subject choices and also for their assignments from the NIOS.The performance of the students last year was creditable. Students who have cleared class 10th and 12th through the NIOS, have successfully sought admission in various diploma courses and colleges.The emphasis is on overall development of the children so that they can participate and excel in all activities, which include sports, art, and photography etc.

The Open School offers the children an opportunity of completing their formal education at the secondary and the senior secondary level. Along with studies, the child gets the benefit of participating in all school and inter-school activities and events.



MUSIC REPORT

Charles Darwin wrote in his autobiography, "If I had my life to live over again, I would have made a rule to read some poetry and listen to some music at least once every week."

Wise words indeed from a wise man, who knew the role and significance music plays in our lives. YPS believes that academics alone are not sufficient in moulding character. When children learn to appreciate the magic of music, they also learn to cherish the finer sensibilities of life.

Throughout the year, the school choir has performed songs related to thematic assemblies. On Independence Day, the students presented a medley of patriotic songs to the accompaniment of different instruments, like the xylophone and jal



Singing in Harmony

tarang. On Founder's Day, the choir gave performances that were appreciated by all. The Inter-House Music Competition was organized on October 22, 2016, in which 90 students participated, making it the most awaited event of the year. It had four rounds: Solo Singing (Hindi), Solo Singing(Western), Theme Based Group Song and Folk Group Song. 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(VII-T) bagged the first position, followed by Parul Srivastava (VI-T) and Aranya Caimi (X-S) coming second and third respectively. Prabhnoor Chahal (XI-N) stood first in the Hindi Solo Round, with Sweetaj Brar (XII-N) and Puneet Kaur (X-S) bagging the second

and third position. For the Theme Based Group Song, Aitchison House came first, followed by Patiala House, Nalagarh House, Tagore House and Ranjit House respectively. In the Group Dance Round, Patiala House secured the first place followed by Nalagarh House, Ranjit House House, Tagore House and Aitchison House.

Inter-School music Competitions:

- Kriti Sharma and Kirandeep Kaur bagged the first and third position respectively in the Solo Singing Competition, held on January 1, 2016, at Mount Carmel, Chandigarh.
- YPS participated in the Inter School Patriotic Singing Competition, held on August 20, 2016, at St. Mary School, Sector-46, Chandigarh and won the Consolation Prize.
- The students participated in the Inter-School Music Competition, held on August 27, 2016, at Sacred Soul's School, Kharar and bagged the first position.
- YPS participated in different events like Group Song (Indian), Indian Orchestra, Classical Solo Singing, Tabla Solo, Western Instrumental, Western Group Song, Western Solo and Western

Orchestra, which were held from October 16 - 20, 2016, at IPSC Music and Cultural Festival, Scindia School, Gwalior.

- The school band participated in a competition organized by Yamaha Store in Chandigarh. The participants were: Kriti Sharma, Divyanshu Dhawan, Arman Kathuria, Jaskaran Singh, Ria Khurana and Joshvir Singh Narula and the event was held on November 3, 2016.
- A carol-singing programme was organized by St. Stephan School, Sector-45, Chandigarh, on December 19, 2016, in which students from our school. presented two carols.
- Christmas was celebrated at YPS and the school choir spread sunshine and festivity by singing carols like Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer, Joy to the World, Jingle Bells and many more.

IAYP REPORT

The award programme was first introduced in the United Kingdom in year 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 become involved in a programme of



Life is a Song - Sing it !



Singers in Harmony



voluntary self-development activities so that they are able to cope with the crucially difficult period between adolescence and adulthood. The award's concept is one of individual challenge, giving young people 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 four mandatory sections- service, adventurous journeys, skills and physical recreation. Participants must complete the four mandatory sections to receive an award. There were a total of 38 participants in the IAYP programme.

The students were involved in the following service sections under the IAYP programme.

- 1. Project on conservation and study of birds.
- 2. Project on recycling of waste paper.

Tanya Ahuja, Tanya Sandhu, Barleen Dhaliwal, Jasenpreet Singh, Jai Sharma, Gurleen Kaur, Manpreet Kaur Brar, Kushnaaz Brar, Khushdeep Singh, Gurinder Kaur, Sanjana Singh, Samar Gill, Bhalinder Oberoi, Yuvraj Singh Dhanoa, Sukhman Kaur Dhanoa - A total of fifteen students have successfully completed their Bronze Level and received medals and certificates.

Sahil Ahuja successfully completed his Silver Level and received medals and certificates.

MUN REPORT

It rightly said leadership is the sum of those qualities of the intellect, human understanding and moral character that enable a person to inspire a group of people successfully. Yadavindra Public School believes in producing such leaders which will make a change in the world. This leadership is not taught through lectures or other educational media but by encouraging each student to take up a responsibility and understand the importance of debate and deliberation. Each student is therefore supported and encouraged to dream, create, inspire and get inspired. The young leaders in grade 11 & 12 successfully conceived, devised, proposed and organized an open house MUN for the first time. The basic idea behind this was to expose students to the event and give them an introduction to the proceedings of a MUN thus making students aware of the global situation on various topics and agendas. Participation in an MUN, is an advantage for students, as they can overcome public speaking issues, become acquainted with diplomacy and international issues, and develop leadership skills.

The MUN was an immense success as it attracted students to further enroll for interschool MUNs that were held throughout the country.



The MUN Court is in Session

The Secretariat consisted of : Secretary General – Jaskirat Singh Lamba. General Members – Yashita Bagga, Gurtaj Singh, Vipul Sharma and Gurinder Kaur.

The Chairpersons and Vice-Chairpersons were as follows: UNGA: Head Chair- Jaandeep Singh Cheema Vice Chair- Prabhmeh Sandhu, Tanya Ahuja UNHRC: Head Chair- Sanjana Sidhu Vice Chair- Shreya Arya, Ajeshwar Singh UNEP: Head Chair- Aditya Jain Vice Chair- Sukhman Kaur, Gurnehmat UNSC: Head Chair- Bhalinder Singh Oberoi Vice Chair- Simran Singh, Chitvon S Mann HLPF: Head Chair- Kunwar Shehbaz Jhajh Vice Chair- Sajneet Mangat, Ashneet Kaur

SOCIALLY USEFUL PRODUCTIVE WORK

Socially Useful and Productive Work (SUPW) is a part of the school curriculum. It aims to develop a positive attitude of teamwork and socially desirable values like dignity of labor and compassion by providing opportunities for self-expression and creating awareness of social and environmental issues, thus fostering interest and participatory skills in community services and nation-building activities. As part of SUPW activities, Yadavindrians were involved in various social and community based projects.

 It is rightly said that our lives are richer when we share, and that great inner joy comes from helping others.

Yadavindrians experienced the joy of giving when, students from grade VI to XII participated in a charity drive- 'Aao Padhaien, Zindagi Banaein' organized by the NGO, 'Sallam Zindagi'. As a part of this initiative, they collected books, notebooks, stationary items, water bottles, and toys etc which were given to the under-privileged children, as a part of this initiative.



The YPS-MUN Secretariat



Collection of Wollens



Spring Cleaning the Geography Room



Lessons from a Street Play

- Students also participated in a drive named 'Festival of Sharing Warmth'.
 Since the winter season proves to be very harsh for the less privileged,
 Yadavindrians tried to make a difference
- in their lives by providing them with warm clothes, blankets and woolens.
- Students were encouraged to take up activities to beautify the school campus and thus develop a sense of

belongingness and responsibility towards the school. Class XII students cleaned the library area, Geography resource room and the school lawns. These activities not only honed their soft skills, aesthetic sense, dignity of labor, team work, but also helped them in their journey to self discovery.

A group of seven students from grade XII became members of the Indian Red Cross Society, Chandigarh. They attended a two week training program on 'Prevention and Cure of Various Communicable Diseases and First Aid'. This also included demonstrations on how to help an individual in case of severe accidents. The students also volunteered at the blood donation camps that were held by the society.

- Inspirational videos were shown on topics such as team work, success, importance of a positive body language, intrinsic motivation and self worth.
- Students also prepared PPT's on topics such as assertiveness, resilience, peer pressure, bullying, communication skills and conducted sessions with their peers.
- Enthusiastic classroom discussions covering various social issues such as prejudice and discrimination, drug abuse, child abuse, violence, poverty, human rights etc. were also conducted.

THEATRE

"It was only in the theatre that I lived" - Oscar Wilde

This year's annual production presented the 'Yadavindra Motley Crew' that showcased a medley of five short plays on the 22 nd of November, at the Tagore Theater. It has been school's endeavour to put students in situations where they can discover their latent talent and potential. With this as the aim, students of each house conceptualized, wrote, directed and enacted the plays all by themselves.

Each house carried out a different theme-





The Garibaldi

some made a profound impact on the audience, whilst others had everyone clutching themselves in fits of laughter. Nalagarh House presented a tragic play, 'The Darkest Hour' set in the cold winter of Germany in 1944, where two war reporters relived the horrors of WW II. From the portrayal of death looming overhead, to the beautifully choreographed battlefield scenes - this play had everyone at the edges of their seats.

Tagore House presented a comparatively light-hearted play, 'Fakespeare', exploring the different facets of Shakespeare's real identity- showing Shakespeare as a haughty drunkard, who was too busy with his friends and fame to care for his wife and children. The real Shakespeare is murdered



The Darkest Hour

and a friend of Shakespeare, William, steps into his place as an imposter. After a series of misdemeanors, it is 'All's Well that Ends Well'.

Patiala House showed a country in the grip of complete anarchy and chaos, involving a failed attempt at bombing the United Nations' headquarters. When political establishments are not sensitive to the welfare and needs of the people, then people have no choice but to take things in their hands. The 'Death of Anarchy' justified that democracy is the only solution to all political ills.

The Ranjit House Play, 'Truth Always Triumphs', was a court room drama involving a murder. Ian Phillips is accused



Death of Anarchy

in a hit-and-run case, where a man is killed. James Kurosaki defends Ian, as he is assured of a quick victory based on the circumstantial evidence and the knowledge that the victim was known to have suicidal tendencies. Complications arise when it is discovered that Ian Philips was drunk on the night of the accident, giving the State prosecutor enough evidence to clinch a victory.

The last play of the evening, presented by Aitchison House, 'The Garibaldi' left everyone in splits. The play enfolded with a grandmother narrating a tale of rivalry between her twin sons. Constantly at loggerheads with each other, the sons armed with scrolls; race to reach the treasure first. As they make their journey, they have a



Truth Always Triumphs

hilarious encounter with the tribals and meet an old hermit with a pet monkey. All these escapades lead to a fun-filled and comic ending.

Tight scripts, synchronized lighting and music, all provided an awe-inspiring effect, transforming even the shyest of children into stars.

TEACHERS' WORKSHOPS

'I am still learning'- Michelangelo Professional development for teachers is the key to quality education. In fact research shows that an inspired and informed teacher is the most important school-related factor that influences student achievements.

At YPS, the authorities ensure that the



Fakespeare

teachers receive in-service training, in order to keep in touch with new findings in the subject and to obtain continuous support for enhancement of their teaching methodology and skills. The main aim of these workshops is to strengthen the teaching capabilities, enabling the teachers to acquaint themselves with new ideas and encourage them in their further studies and research.

During the session 2016-2017, our teachers have attended workshops on a wide range of subjects, such as, First Aid, Psychological Development of Children, From Raising Hands to Being Hands On, Century Science Curriculum for Teachers, MS Office One Note and Using Creative Approaches and Behavioural Management in the Classroom.



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STUDENTS' WORKSHOPS

DATE	NAME OF WORKSHOP	RESOURCE PERSON	VENUE	CLASSES
22/04/16	Presentation By Canadian University Application Centre (CUAC) on Admission Process and Courses Offered by Mac Ewan University	Ms. Victoria (Mac Ewan University)	Sr. School Library	XI and XII
19/05/16	Lecture On Financial Literacy	Mr.H.S. Kalra (Sebi)	Sr. School Library	XI and XII
5/8/2016	Presentation On Courses Offered By University Of South Australia	Mr. Pawandeep Singh IDP Education India Pvt. Ltd.	Sr. School Library	XI and XII
17/8/16	Lecture On Patriotisim	Major Gen. K.K. Chauhan	Sr. School Library	XI and XII
18/8/16	Inspirational Talk On Career Choice	Ms. Beeban (Ex- Student, currently pursuing Graduation from Wharton School, USA) and Mr. Lakshay (Asst. Commissioner, IRS)	Sr. School Library	XI and XII
26/8/16	Presentation By Canadian University Application Centre (CUAC) on Admission Process and Courses Offered by Saint Mary's University	Mr. Alex Macleod (Saint Mary's Universit	y) Sr. School Library	XI and XII
30/8/16	Presentation On Life Skills	Mr. Mukul Thakur , Master Prep	Sr. School Library	IX
31/8/16	Inspirational Talk	Mr. Sofi Zahoor	Sr. School Library	XI and XII
31/8/16	Interactive Session On Admission Process and Courses Offered By University of British Columbia	Ms. Tanushree Bhattacharya	Sr. School Library	XI and XII
1/9/2016	Seminar And Slogan Writing Competition on 'More Colours More Nutrition'	Team Of Doctors From Fortis Hospital.	Fortis Hospital, Mohali	Selected Students from Class VI
8/9/2016	ICAE Global University Education Tour	Representatives From Different Indian and International Universities	Sr. School Library	XI and XII

01/10/16 - 05/10/16	Inspire Science Workshop	Team of Indian and International Scientists From Different Universities	Chandigarh University Campus	Pranav Raj, Upamanyu Yaddanapudi, Parima, Samar Gill, Gurnoor Singh (XI O)
20/10/16	Talk on 'Creativity And Innovation'	Ms Gurbaaz , International College of Fashion, Delhi	Sr. School Library	XII
21/10/16	Interactive Session on Admission Process and Courses Offered by Us Colleges	Ms Zafeena, Senior Advisor for Education USA, USIEF	Spanish Room	XI and XII
11/11/2016	Career Prospects in Merchant Navy	Mr Gaurav Bansal (Samundra Institute of Maritime Studies) Students)	Sr. School Library	XI and XII (Non Medical
17/11/16	Career Counselling Workshop	Mr Samarth And Mr Henry Gomes (Cogito Group)	Sr. School Library	X and XI
16/12/16	Webinar on Study and Exam Skills	Mr Samir Parikh (Fortis Healthcare)	Sr. School Library	XII
2/2/2017	Dissemintaion of Informtion on Admission Process and Courses Offered by	Simpl-Ed Group	Sr. School Library	X and XI

AEROMODELLING

"Learn... Innovate... Explore..."

Evergrren Valley College, US

NVM Skytex Pvt. Ltd. conducted a workshop to teach students from classes VI – X, the art of crafting gliders and model aircrafts. The aim of the organization is to awaken a passion for Robotics and Aero-modelling among students. The team aspires to create an attitude of logical thinking and thus help the students to be innovative and realize their potential for technological training. Students of classes VI – VIII made gliders whereas those from classes IX –X, made aircrafts. Apart from learning the principles of Maths and Physics, the students developed self-confidence and took a keen interest in aero-modelling.



THE TEACHER OF THE YEAR

The teacher made Kabir stand up again. He had failed another test and he knew he would not be spared this time. He would have to come to school for extra classes even on Saturdays. He was already so busy; he had to play football early in the morning with his friends and after that he could not miss the nine o'clock movie either. But when the teacher Mr Malhotra called him again, he stumbled back into reality. Exactly what he feared had happened. His teacher had put him on extra class for two months till the exams. Waking up at six, Kabir started getting ready for football. But it was halfway through wearing his shirt that he remembered he had to go for the extra class Mr Malhotra had assigned.

He undressed and started wearing his uniform, the speed and energy changing into laziness. As he packed his books, he knew what the class scene was going to look like. A classroom full of violent people; they were either bullies or fighters. He knew he would not benefit from this, all that he studied in the class used to go over his head, mainly because of being in such a large class. A similar lesson was going to be held here too, he said to himself, as he unlocked his bike.

On reaching school, Kabir noticed that he was almost late. He rushed to class to make sure the teacher didn't scold him in front of the others. But when he reached class, he saw there was no one except Mr Malhotra sitting there, waiting for him. He beckoned Kabir to come in.

When Kabir sat down in front of his table, Mr Malhotra got up and sat next to him. Then he started teaching him his novel. But he could tell that Kabir was unable to understand anything. He knew he would have to employ a different method.

Kabir had never seen this side of Mr Malhotra. He had started teaching him not as a teacher, but as a friend. Kabir started to enjoy this and slowly started to understand what Mr Malhotra wanted to explain to him. Two weeks into it, he began to look forward to the class. He had soon understood all of his texts and practised his language exercises. But this benefited him in more than one way. His character also started developing. He became a more confident. When the examinations came, Kabir was confident. He gave all his papers with full zeal and was sure he would rise above his thirty but got sixty three percent. As Mr Malhotra handed him his paper, he saw the, 'The Teacher of the Year' award behind his desk. Since Mr Malhotra had come to teach him on extra classes for Kabir's good, the principal personally ensured, it be given to him. But then his cheekiness overcame him and he blurted out, "You'd never have won it if I was easy to teach", to which the teacher gave a prompt reply, "You were not hard to teach, it was I who was teaching wrong".

Harkrit Nagpal, X-E



FOR THE SAKE OF THE WRITTEN WORD

It was Sunday afternoon and I was cleaning up my junk drawers when I chanced upon a familiar card. With British Library printed in bold, red letters, the glossy card had on it embossed, the date of my membership's expiry--nearly seven years ago. After finding out about the library, I came to know that it had been shut down since long. It brought me to thinking; Was it because folks do not enjoy reading anymore? Had the fast-paced and exponentially growing era lost the art of curling up on a sofa, with a book to pass a rainy day?

This change in trend is significantly visible among the young people of the generation. Seldom do we see a lad of seventeen spending every spare second of his day on finishing his book. And when I say book, I expect you not to shame this article by considering a 'textbook'. Most children cite lack of time for their not reading too many Dickens' or Tolstoys but that is a careless excuse, nothing else. The devoted reader would make time. However, with increased curricula in schools, extra activities, this excuse just might seem tenable.

The decline in the reading habits of young people can be manifested by a statistic prepared by the Pomona College, Claremont in 2014. Their study revealed that out of the 2.4 billion units of books sold in the USA alone, only 84 million of them were bought by people between the ages of 16 to 28. While the numbers make this fact hard to comprehend, we can assume that only 3 out 10 young adults read more than four books a year. It is an alarming figure for the likes of me, whose bucket lists are mainly composed of books we would love to read.

The advent of modern technology and its development into a successful mode of recreation has also been attributed to a decline in people's reading habits. The smartphone and the computer apparently serve as better means of entertainment than reading about the escapades of Scout Finch and her brother. This generation had turned into a heartless one, with the inability to be evoked by the written word. Socializing, loitering, spending the hours over the internet, and all that is conventionally associated with being a youngster these days, is a shallow waste of time. Read a book! The sentences will linger on in your mind, the beauty of the author's skill will enlighten you, and before you realise it, you would be in a world unlike our own.

This general disinterest towards books is appalling. For years, society considered a wellread man (or woman) to have had leverage over those who had not been illuminated with the literary works of the past and present. It seems as though the value of a stack of classics, packed up to the highest shelf, has been lost. Moreover, if there be those who disagree with me, I would love to be proved wrong. But frankly, the only reading this generation has done has largely focused on vampires and their lady-loves and Iradov's Physics. At this point, I would like to emphasise that quality matters. There should be much more stress laid on the reading of the classical works - the literature which has shaped our society. The political satire of 'Animal Farm', the original horror 'Dracula', and the empowering nature of 'Jane Eyre' cannot be ignored. There is a loss of a connection now, between the character and the reader. It must be restored, for it takes us to places that we've never seen.

The rapid shut-down of the 'British Libraries' disheartened a great lot of people. Many other such private libraries and bookstores went out of business soon after the unveiling of the iPhone 3gs, coincidently. Young adults have found solace in pixelated movement and activities dangerous to the shyest introvert. The flipping over of the dog-eared pages of a freshly bought book is a feeling that I doubt that the coming progeny would experience. But the written word must be respected, for it is the truth. And when empires will fall, it will live on....

Sajneet Mangat, XI-N

IF MY FAVORITE CHARACTER BECAME ALIVE...

"Mom! Let me read!" I shouted as, for the gazzilionth time, my Mom told me stop reading the novel and study for my Chemistry exam (which happened to be just the day after). And like the typical hot-headed and rebellious kid, guess what? Of course! I stayed put. And then my mother marched out of the kitchen, her cheeks- red with rage, honestly speaking...uh...she looked like a bull ready to charge and blow me off the face of this Earth, but then what happened was nothing so serious-just my favourite novel being torn to pieces. Blood rose to my cheeks and I can bet they were a dirty, sickly shade of red. Tears welled up in my eyes and rolled down my cheeks, "Cleopatra's daughter ... " I whispered the name of the novel that I loved more than anything else (and trust me it's not an exaggeration). I stormed into my room and banged the door so hard that I think there is still a crack in it. I collapsed on the bed and cried and cried. (Yes. I was pretty much fail in my chemistry tomorrow)

I hadn't realized that I fell asleep, my head was throbbing and the skin under my eyes was literally burning because of the excessive crying (Uh...as much as I hate to say it, I guess I might really be a cry baby...hey! Don't judge me, okay! Everyone cries!). My hair were stuck to my face and when I looked at myself in the mirror, I

didn't look normal, really (don't make me describe ok?). I walked over and sat on the bed again and that's when I felt I felt a hand on my shoulder and a stifled laugh. My first thoughts: I need to run away from my mother. But when I turned around, the frown on my forehead dissolved and...well, I was baffled! My voice got lost somewhere in my pharynx and it took an eternity to return. Who stood before me was a young woman of perhaps nineteen or twenty, she had clear olive skin which glowed with an incandescent glow. Her almond eyes were a hazel brown with chestnut curls that were braided with something golden in them. She wore a Greek chiton made of the sheerest silk of the lightest blue. She gracefully moved her shapely and petite body and sat on the bed and told me to sit as well. "Hello dear!" she said again, when finally I found my voice, I said - "Uh...what? Uh...I- I mean, who are you?" my voice was like a frog croaking compared to her smooth and honeyed voice. She stifled a laugh again with the back of her hand, everything she did was replete with elegance and grace, "Selene, my name is Selene- daughter of Cleopatra the VII and Markus Antonius, betrothed of Juba II, Queen of Mauritania." Well, the way she held her head high, it was quite visible she's a royalty. And then what I said was so amazingly brilliant...it was a baffling-"Uh...hi."

The September sun was orange and cool, it was pouring in through the open window. My room smelled of the sweetest jasmine and Selene looked as fresh as those jasmine flowers that the perfume reminded me of. I loved the chiton I was wearing (even if was linen and white and makeshift) my hair was not tied in a ponytail but now rested loose on my shoulders. I guess I know a great deal more after that afternoon-Octavian and Octavia, Egypt and Cleopatra (I cried at that...*sniff*) Marcellus (Selene's first crush, in Rome) Julia and Tiberius and Antonia and well, there were a lot others so, ya. And as if everything Selene had already done for me wasn't enough, she took out her jasmine scented handkerchief and dabbed it on my eyes and face, she was really sisterly. She got up and took off the onyx and pink pearl pendant from her neck and hung it around mine- "Always remember me," she said, I grasped her hand, "You're not going anywhere?" I asked her pleadingly, "No.....I ain't," she said and sat down again and- relief surged through me....I saw that the sky outside that was changing color, to a night, ink colored sky which was strewn with stars....Twilight.

Well....what now? Chemistry???

Agamnoor Dhillon, IX O

SPORTS REPORT



"I promise to respect and abide by the rules... for the glory of sport and the honour of our teams"

"If you train hard, you'll not only be hard, you'll be hard to beat." – Herschel Walker

It is important for school children to have access to sports and games. It empowers the youth with high self-esteem and motivates them to strive for excellence. Playing games regularly helps in maintaining a healthy life style, even after leaving school. In the present times, academic learning and sports must complement each other.

Sports has always been a part and parcel of a Yadavindrian's daily schedule. Through Inter-House and Inter-School sports activities, a student inculcates determination, resilience, perseverance, teamwork and a spirit of sportsmanship.

INTER-HOUSE SPORTS EVENTS

The year was packed with a number of Inter-House sports activities such as, Hockey, Football, Basketball, Athletics, Swimming, Cricket and the most awaited, Cross Country Race. Based on the results of these activities, the overall sports positions were: Patiala House bagged the first place, Nalagarh House came in second, Aitchison House was placed third and Ranjit House and Tagore House shared the fourth place.



'Running Feeds our Bodies and Minds and Souls'



'Those Who Don't Jump Will Never Fly ... '



ATHLETICS MEET

The Annual Athletic Meet was held from December 5-9, 2016. Mr. Amanjit Singh, IRS, an ex-Yadavindrian, was the chief guest for the occasion. Many records were shattered and new ones made as the athletes whizzed past the tape at the finishing line.

The Meet was declared open by the Headmaster. The five houses marched smartly to the beat of the drum, representing their respective houses. Patiala House marched in perfect harmony, winning the March Past Trophy. The Meet saw children giving their best and contributing points to their respective houses. On December 9, the Chief Guest gave a motivational speech, exhorting the students to strive hard and declared the meet closed. The Harjesh Boparai Trophy (Boys and Girls) was awarded to Devanshu Mehta and Gurinder Kaur of class XII N.

NEW SCHOOL RECORDS

Category	Event	Name	Class	House	Mts./Sec.
U-19 (Boys)	800 M	Rahil Verma	XII N	AH	02.19.05
U-17 (Boys)	200 M	Aadesh Pratap	ΧE	ΝH	00.24.83
	800 M	Aalam Dhanoa	XN	RH	02.13.26
	1500 M	Aalam Dhanoa	XN	RH	04.44.22
	High Jump	Josh Brar	IX S	RH	1.69 M
No. I. P.	Discus Throw	Sahibjit Singh	IX S	ΝH	30.76 M
U-14 (Boys)	100 M	Royalcee	VIII N	RH	00.13.10
U-12 (Boys)	4x100 M	Nalagarh House	C. S. S. S.		01.03.56
U-19 (Girls)	800 M	Gurinder Kaur	XII N	ΤH	03.01.48
U-17 (Girls)	100 M	Jasnoor Kaur	IX E	NH	00.13.40
	200 M	Inayat Patwalia	IX E	ΤH	00.29.96
	800 M	Arshiya Kaur	IX S	RH	03.03.07
	1500 M	Arshiya Kaur	IX S	RH	06.41.94
U-14 (Girls)	800 M	Sehaj Tiwana	VII N	ΝH	02.45.34
	1500 M	Sehaj Tiwana	VII N	ΝH	05.59.50

In Position for the Throw

BEST ATHLETES

Category	Name	Class	House
U-12(Boys)	Dakshmeet Singh	VIS	RH
U-12(Girls)	Sohani Attri	VI S	ΑH
U-14(Boys)	Royalcee	VIII N	RH
	Agambir S Bhatia	VII O	NΗ
U-14(Girls)	Sehar Kiran	VIII E	ΤН
U-17(Boys)	Adesh Pratap	XE	ΝΗ
	Aalam Dhanoa	XN	RH
U-17(Girls)	Inayat Patwalia	IX E	ΤН
U-19(Boys)	Diyanshu Mehta	XII N	ΝΗ
U-19(Girls)	Gurinder Kaur	XII N	ΤН

HOUSE POSITIONS

Position
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ATHLETICS

- Inter-School Mohali District Athletics Championship was held at Government College, Phase VI, Mohali, from November 2-4, 2016. The results are as follows:
 - U-14 (Girls)
 Seharkiran Kaur VIII-E 200 M Silver
 400 M Gold
 - U-17 (Girls)

Inayat Patwalia	IX-E	200 M	Gold
		400 M	Gold
Ishroop K Sodhi	IX-N	100 M	Gold
		400 M	Silver

■ U-17 (Boys)

Uday Singh Gill	IX-E	400 M	Silver
Sahibjit Singh	IX-S	Discus	Gold
Aadesh Pratap	X-E	100 M	Gold
		200 M	Gold
Aalam Dhanoa	X-N	800 M	Silver
		1500 M	Gold

■ U-19 (Girls)

Gurinder Kaur XII-N 800 M Silver 1500 M Gold

 The All-India IPSC Athletics Meet was held at The Punjab Public School, Nabha, from November 5-7, 2016. Nagina Sidhu won a gold medal in the U-19 (Girls) Discus Throw.



'It Never Gets Easier, You Just Get Stronger'



Lead the Pack !



Run to Live, Live to Run



At the Top - Nalagarh House

- The Inter-School Mohali Zonal Athletics Championship was held at the Government School, Phase 3 B-1, Mohali, from October 13-14, 2016. The results are as follows:
 - U-14 (Girls)
 Seharkiran Kaur VIII-E 200 M Gold
 400 M Gold

400 M Gold 600 M Gold

■ U-17 (Girls)

Inayat Patwalia IX	-E 20	00 M	Gold
	40	00 M	Gold
Ishroop K Sodhi IX	-N 10	00 M	Gold
	20	00 M	Gold

■ U-17 (Boys)

Uday Singh Gill	IX-E	400 M	Gold
Sahibjit Singh	IX-S	Discus	Gold
Aadesh Pratap	X-E	100 M	Gold
		200 M	Gold
	Broa	d Jump	Silver
Aalam Dhanoa	X-N	800 M	Gold
		1500 M	I Gold
Aaditya S Bakshi	IX-T	800 M	Bronze

■ U-19 (Girls)

Gurinder Kaur XII-N 800 M Gold 1500 MGold

 Students of YPS, Mohali participated at the Mohali District Athletics

Championship held on October 15, 2016.

The results are:

 U-16 (Boys) 			
Sahibjit Singh	IX S	Discus	Bronze
 U-14 (Boys) 			
Aftab Virk	VIII T	Shot Put	Silver
■ U-14 (Girls)			
Japleen Dhaliwal	VO	600 M	Silver

BASKETBALL

My greatest gift that I have in life is basketball. - Isaiah Thomas The following tournaments were played by the YPS cagers:

- The U-19 Girls' team played the Welhams Girls' School Golden Jubilee All-India Basketball Tournament, held from April 26-29, 2016.
 - YPS, Mohali beat Welham (White) 32-19 YPS, Mohali beat Mayo Girls 28-20 YPS, Mohali lost to Welham (Blue) 20-42
- Our school basketball teams participated in the Bhagwant Singh Memorial Basketball Tournament, hosted by Vivek High School, Mohali from August 1-6, 2016.

Category	Position
U-16 (Girls)	YPS, Mohali won
U-16 (Boys)	YPS, Mohali lost in the
	knock-out stage

U-14 (Girls)	YPS, Mohali won
U-14 (Boys)	YPS, Mohali stood third
U-12 (Girls)	YPS, Mohali reached the
	second round
U-12 (Boys)	YPS, Mohali reached the
	third round

- The YPS, Mohali, U-16 Girls' team won the Strawberry Fields High School Tournament, held at Strawberry Fields High School, Sector 26, Chandigarh, from May 12-14, 2016.
- The YPS Basketball school team participated in the Major Jagpal Singh Memorial Tournament held at Pinegrove School, Subathu from April 20-23, 2016.
- The YPS U-16 Boys' team played the Doon International School Tournament, held from August 22-24, 2016. The school team also played the State Championships.
- The YPS, Mohali U-16 school team participated in the Thakur Memorial All-India Basketball Tournament, held at the Sacred Souls' School, Kharar, from October 14-16, 2016. The U-16 Boys' team secured the third position. The U-16 Girls' team lost to the hosts in the finals and was placed second.

IPSC U-19 (Girls) BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

YPS, Mohali, hosted the IPSC, U-19 Girls' Basketball Tournament from October 28-31, 2016. A total of 15 teams participated. Modern School, Barakhamba Road, New Delhi emerged the winner, followed by Motilal Nehru School of Sports, Rai, Emerald Heights, Indore and Welham Girls' School, Dehradun which were placed second, third and fourth respectively. The most promising player of the tournament was Akshita Sharda of YPS, Mohali, while the highest scorer of the tournament was Nidhi Jaglan from the MNSS, Rai.

- The U-19 Girls' team played friendly matches against Guru Nanak Public School, Sector-36, Chandigarh and St. Xavier School, Sector- 44, Chandigarh. YPS, Mohali won both the matches.
- The U-14 Girls' team played two friendly matches against Strawberry Fields High School, Sector 26, Chandigarh. The YPS team won both the matches.
- The school team played friendly matches against YPS, Patiala and Government Model School, Sector-22, Chandigarh, winning both the matches.





Opening Cermony

Introduction with the Chief Guest





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A Team Above All

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CRICKET

To me, cricket is a simple game. Keep it simple and just go out and play. - Shane Warne **TOURNAMENTS PLAYED**

- The 13th Dhruve Pandove Memorial T-20 Cricket Tournament was held at YPS, Patiala, from April 13-16, 2016. The YPS Mohali, Cricket team reached the semifinals.
- The YPS Cricket team participated in both the Kasiga School Cricket Tournament and the Selaqui International Cricket Tournament. The school team reached the semifinals.
- The All India U-19 IPSC Cricket Tournament was held at YPS, Patiala from October 11-13, 2016. The school team lost to Modern School, Barakhamba Road, New Delhi, in the semi-finals.

- The IPSC U-17 Cricket Tournament was held at the MNSS Rai, Sonipat, from October 24 – 29, 2016. 18 teams participated and YPS, Mohali stood second in the tournament.
- The All India IPSC U-14 (Boys) Cricket Tournament, 2016, was held at the Birla Education Center, Pune from November 1-6, 2016. The school team reached the semi-finals, losing to Motilal Nehru School of Sports, Rai. Gurtaj Singh Bains (VII S) was declared the best All-rounder of the Tournament, with 222 runs and 8 wickets. He scored 149 runs in one match, which is the highest ever individual score in an IPSC Cricket Tournament till date.

FRIENDLY FIXTURES:

YPS, Mohali played friendly fixtures throughout the year against the Lawrence School, Sanawar, YPS Patiala, Black Elephant Cricket Club, Patiala, the ex-Yadavindrian team, Saupin's School, Chandigarh and DAV Sector-8, Chandigarh.

AMANJIT MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT

The Amanjit Memorial Tournament was held at our school from April 11-12, 2016.

- Modern School, Barakhamba Road, New Delhi won the Tournament and Delhi Public School, Mathura Road, New Delhi bagged the second position.
- Best batsman- Samarth Seth from Modern School, Barakhamba Road, New Delhi with a total of 129 runs in 5 matches with 13 fours and 8 sixes.



Teamwork Makes the Dream Work !



The YPS, Mohali Cricket Tean

- Best bowler- Prince from YPS, Patiala took 7 wickets.
- Most sixes- Tishant from Modern School, New Delhi, hit 11 sixes.
- Best fielder- Vinayak from DPS, Mathura Road, New Delhi.
- Player of the Tournament- Rishab Drall from Modern School, totaled 179 runs in 7 matches with 17 fours and 8 sixes and took 3 wickets.

KARATE

Ishan Rawat of Class VI-S, participated in the Indo- Nepal Karate Tournament, held from November from12-13, 2016. He won a gold medal in the Full Contact and a bronze in the Semi Contact category. He also participated in the Shaheed Durham Singh Memorial Karate-do Championship held from Dec 25-26, 2016 and won a gold medal in the Semi Contact, a silver medal in the Full Contact category and a bronze medal in the Kata category.

CROSS COUNTRY

The Cross Country Race for grades IV–XII, was held on Friday, November 18, 2016. Gurinder Kaur (XII N) of Tagore House won the PT Usha Trophy, while Aalam Dhanoa (X N) of Ranjit House won the Milkha Singh Trophy. The house positions were: First Position - Patiala House. Second Position -Nalagarh House. Third Position - Aitchison House. Fourth Position- Tagore House. Fifth Position - Ranjit House.

FOOTBALL

A school without football is in danger of deteriorating into a medieval study hall. - Vince Lombardi

Tournaments Participated

- The YPS, Mohali U-17 (Boys) team participated in the IPSC Football Boys (U-17) Tournament, held at the Genesis Global School, Noida from July 11-15, 2016.
- The YPS, Mohali U-14 (Boys) team participated in the Tribune Trust Football Tournament, held at the Tribune Model School, Chandigarh from August 29-31, 2016. The YPS team won the tournament.
- At the Mohali Inter-School Football Tournament, the U-14 Boys' team once again made the school proud by securing the first position. Eight players were selected for the Mohali Zonal team. At the same tournament, the U-17 Girls' team



Cross Country Run



I Run to Escape the Ordinary...



A Deft Bit of Stick Work !



Amazing Ball Control !



Swing Hard !

also won the championship. Nine players were selected for the zonal team. The Mohali Zone won the Inter-Zonal Football Tournament in the U-17 Girls' category.

- At the Mohali District Football Tournament, the YPS, Mohali U-14 (Boys) team and the U-17 (Girls) team, won in their respective categories.
- Our School U-17 (Girls) Football team represented Mohali district in the Punjab State Girls' School Football Tournament held at Ropar from January 16-19, 2017. A total of 22 districts took part in the tournament. Mohali district won three out of the four matches played. Jasmine Kaur Batth (IX S) was selected to represent the Punjab state team at the SGFI National Games.

HOCKEY

Ninety percent of hockey is mental and the other half is physical. - Wayne Gretzky

 The IPSC Hockey U-17 (Boys) Tournament was held at YPS, Patiala from September 10-12, 2016. The school team reached the semi-finals and lost in the hardliner match to YPS, Patiala in the penalty shoot-outs.

- The YPS, Mohali U-19 (Boys) team also participated in the IPSC Hockey U-19 (Boys) Tournament, held at YPS Patiala, from November 17-19, 2016.
- Maghanpreet Singh (X N) participated in the 62th SGFI (School Games Federation of India) Nationals. He was the captain of the IPSC Hockey National team at the games.
- The YPS, Mohali U-19(Boys) team won the friendly matches played against The Punjab Public School, Nabha and YPS, Patiala. The team also played against Scholars Fields Public School, Patiala.

GOLF

To find a man's true character, play golf with him. - P. G. Wodehouse

The YPS, Mohali Golf team participated in the Invitational Selaqui Golf Tournament, held at Selaqui International School, Dehradun, from May 6-8, 2016. The school was represented by Navroop Shergill (VIII O) and Preet Kanwar (IX O). Preet Kanwar was awarded the 'Nearest to the Centre Line' prize.

HORSE RIDING

I've often said there's nothing better for the inside of a man than the outside of a horse. - Ronald Reagan

Patwant Singh (XI N) and Gurbaaz Singh (IX T) participated in the 5th Punjab Horse Show, held at The Punjab Public School, Nabha where Gurbaaz Singh won a silver and a bronze medal. In the All India IPSC Equestrian Championship held at Punjab Public School, Nabha, Patwant Singh won a silver medal and Gurbaaz Singh bagged a gold and a silver medal.

HANDBALL

The team played the Mohali Inter-School and Inter-Zone Handball Tournament held on August 22, 2016 and August 30, 2016, respectively.

TENNIS

 YPS, Mohali participated in the Invitational Selaqui Tennis Tournament held at Selaqui International School, Dehradun from May 6-8, 2016. In the Tennis singles, Aalam Dhanoa reached the semi-finals and in the doubles category, Siddharth Goel (VIII N) and Jasmol Arora (VIII T) reached the semifinals as well.

- At the IPSC Tennis U-14, U-17, U-19 Boys' Tournament held at Assam Valley School, Balipara, from August 24-30, 2016. Gurtej Singh (XI E) and Bhalinder Singh Oberoi (XII E) lost in the second round of the U-19 Boys' category. Abhi Walia (IX E) and Aalam Dhanoa (X N) reached the quarter-finals in the U-17 category. In the U-14 Boys', Siddharth Goel (VIII N), Aryan Mann (VIII O) and Jasmol Arora (VIII T) lost in the semi-finals.
- Sukhmani Singh (X S) participated in 14th Senior National Soft Tennis Championship, held at the Punjab University, Chandigarh, from June 8-10, 2016. She won a bronze medal in the team event.

SHOOTING

The 10th IPSC Shooting Competition was held at Daly College, Indore from April 27-30, 2016. Sukhmani Singh (X S) secured the fourth position in the Air Pistol (U-17) category for girls. She was awarded a certificate of merit. She was selected to represent the IPSC team at the School Games Federation of India, hosted at Hyderabad.



King of the Court



Happiness is a Day in the Pool !



Just Keep Swimming !



When You Arms Get Tired, Swim with Your Heart

Sukhmani Singh (X S) also participated in the Chandigarh State Shooting Championship. She won a gold medal in the Air Pistol International Shooting Sports Federation (ISSF) Women's Event, a silver medal in the Air Pistol ISSF Junior Women's Championship and a gold medal in the Air Pistol ISSF Youth Games. She also participated in the 60th National Shooting Championship.

Eliza Sharma (VII-S) won a bronze medal in the junior category at the Air Pistol Junior Event.

SWIMMING MEET NEW SCHOOL RECORDS

Category	Event	Name	Class	House	Mts./Sec.
U-19 (Boys)	25 M Back Stroke	Karan Batta	XN	PH	00. 18.46
	50 M Free Style	Karan Batta	ΧN	PH	00.35.38
	50 M Breast Stroke	Avneesh Singh	ΧE	RH	00.40.58
	50 M Back Stroke	Karan Batta	X N	PH	00.41.38
U-19 (Girls)	25 M Breast Stroke	Arshiya Kaur	IX S	RH	00.23.80
	25 M Back Stroke	Anahat Dhillon	XI O	ΝH	00.25.01
	50 M Free Style	Arshiya Kaur	IX S	RH	00.39.10
	50 M Breast Stroke	Arshiya Kaur	IX S	RH	00. 49.49
	100 M Free Style	Palakjot Kaur	ΧE	RH	01.57.48
U-14 (Boys)	25 M Breast Stroke	Joshvir Narula	VIII O	ΑH	00.24.92
	50 M Free Style	Gurmehar	VIII T	RH	00.37.83
U-14 (Girls)	25 M Back Stroke	Ishroop K. Sandhu	VIII S	ΑH	00. 24.79
BEST SWIMM	MERS				
Category	Name	Class	House		
U-19 Boys	Avneesh Singh	ΧE	RH		
U-14 Boys	Jaskirat Singh	VII T	ΑH		
U-19 Girls	Arshiya Kaur	IX N	RH		
U-14 Girls	Sargi Sekhon	VI N	NH		





Home is Where the Pool is !

Master Strokes !

ENDURANCE RACE

House	Points
Aitchison House	36
Nalagarh House	56
Patiala House	38
Ranjit House	40
Tagore House	48

HOUSE POSITIONS

House	Points	Position
Aitchison House	127	IV
Nalagarh House	219	II
Patiala House	142	III
Ranjit House	254	Ι
Tagore House	142	V

SWIMMING

 The Mohali District Swimming Competition was held on May 28, 2016. The results were:

GIRLS

- Sarghi Sekhon (VI-N) won the gold medal in 50m free style, 50m breast stroke, 100m free style and 50m butterfly.
- Arshiya Kaur (IX-S) won the gold medal in 50m breast stroke, 100m breast stroke, 100m free style, 200m free style and a silver in 400m freestyle.

 Guneev Gill (X-O) won the gold medal in 50m free style, 100m free style, 400m free style and 800m free style.

BOYS:

- Avneesh Singh (X-E), won the gold medal in 200m free style, bronze in 100m free style, 50m breast stroke and the silver medal in 100m breast stroke and 200m breast stroke.
- Karan Batta (X-N), won the gold medal in 50m breast stroke and100m back stroke and a bronze medal in 200m free style.

- The IPSC Swimming Meet for Boys was held at the Miles Brownson Residential School, Guwahati from July 18-21, 2016. Karan Batta (X N) won a bronze medal in the 50m back stroke and stood fourth in 200m back stroke in the U-17 category. Avneesh Singh (X E) won a bronze medal in the 200m free style and stood seventh in the 100m breast stroke in the U-17 category.
- At the Brahmrushi Vishwatma Bawra Ji Foundation Swimming Meet, Guneev Gill (X O) won a silver medal in the 50m free style. Arshiya Kaur (IX S) won a bronze medal in the 100m free style and the 50m breast stroke. Sarghi Sekhon (VI N)won a silver medal in the 50m back stroke and a bronze medal in the 50m breast stroke. Avneesh Singh (X E) won the bronze medal in the 50m and 100m breast stroke. Karan Batta (X N) won a silver medal in the 100m back stroke and a bronze medal in the 50m back stroke.
- The IPSC Swimming Meet for Girls was

held at the Miles Brownson Residential School, Guwahati from October 3-5, 2016. Guneev Gill (X O) won a bronze medal in the 800m freestyle event.

- At the Punjab Inter-School State Championship, Ropar held from October 12-16, 2016, Guneev Gill (X O) won a silver medal in the 200m freestyle and a bronze medal in the 400m freestyle.
 - Arshiya Kaur (IX S) won bronze medals in the 100m breast stroke, 100m freestyle and 200m freestyle.
 - Avneesh Singh (X E) won bronze medals in the 100m breast stroke and 50m breast stroke.
 - Karan Batta (X N) won a silver medal in the 100m back stroke and a bronze medal in the 50m back stroke.
- Mohali Inter-School District Championship was held on August 29, 2016.

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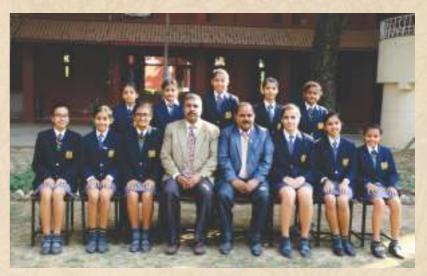
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- Arshiya Kaur (IX S) won gold medals in 50m breast stroke, 100m breast stroke, 100m free style and 200m free style.
- Khushi Verma (VIII S) won gold medals in 200m free style, 400m free style and 800m free style.
 BOYS:
- Avneesh Singh won a gold medal in the 200m free style, a silver medal in the 100m breast stroke and a bronze medal in the 100m free style.
- Karan Batta (X N) won gold medals in the 50m back stroke and 100m back stroke and a silver medal in the 50m free style.
- Mohit Kumar Sharma (X S) won a silver medal in the 200m free style.
- Gurnihal Singh (X O) won a gold in the 400m free style, a silver in the 100m back stroke and a bronze medal in the 50m free style

93 SCHOOL SPORTS TEAMS School Athletics Team School Basketball XI (Girls) Team



School Basketball U-14 (Boys) Team



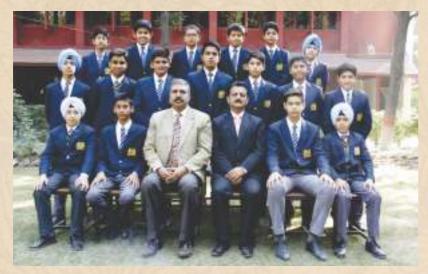
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School Basketball U-17 (Boys) Team



School Basketball U-17 (Girls) Team



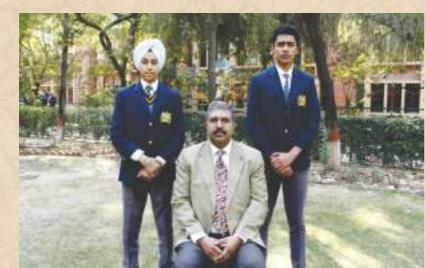
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School Cricket U-17 (Boys) Team



School Cricket XI (Boys) Team



School Equestrian (Boys) Team



School Golf Team



School Football XI (Girls) Team



School Football U-14 (Boys) Team



School Handball (Boys) Team



School Hockey XI (Boys) Team



School Shooting Team



School Tennis (Boys) Team

SPORTS STARS

BASKETBALL



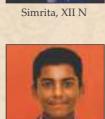
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Divanshu Mehta, XII N



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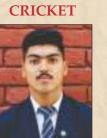


Atulya, VIII O

Inayat Patwalia, IX E



Akshita, VII T



Prabhnoor Bhalla, X N

Sanraj Singh, VII S



Akashdeep S Sidhu, IX E





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ATHLETICS



Seharkiran, VIII E



Nagina, XII N

TENNIS



Siddarth Geol, VIII N SWIMMING



Guneev Gill, X O **SHOOTING**



Sukhmani Singh, X S HANDBALL



Jashanjot Singh, IX T



Arshiya Kaur, IX S

Harpratap Singh, X O

HOCKEY



Maganpreet, X N

FOOTBALL

Jaitesh, VII O

Robinpreet Singh, X O



Pavit, X E **HORSE RIDING**



Gurbaaz, IX T



Jasmine Kaur



Abhishek Goyal, X O



Arshdeep Khehra, XI N



Patwant S Dhindsa, XI N



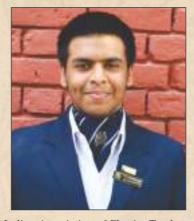


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ACHIEVERS BEYOND SCHOOL



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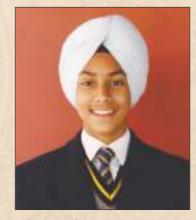
Indian Association of Physics Teachers, Physics Dept, PU, Chandigarh organised 'National Anveshika Experimental Skill Test'. **Sahil Ahuja (XII O)** secured the third position in the 'School Level' Category. He received a Certificate of Achievement and a Cash Prize of Rs. 500.



Sajneet Mangat (XI N) was awarded the third place for the Best STEP Project for her sustainable development project, the Happy and Healthy You (H2U) Project under Project S.E.A.R.C.H. initiated by The Energy and Resource Institute.



Sukhmani Singh (X S) won a gold each in the Air Pistol International Shooting Sports Federation (ISSF) Women's Event and Air Pistol ISSF Youth Games and a silver in the Air Pistol ISSF Junior Women's Championship. She also participated in the 60th National Shooting Championship and Chandigarh State Shooting Championship



Gurbaaz Singh (IX T) participated in the 5th Punjab Horse Show held at PPS Nabha where he won a silver and a bronze medal.



Ojas Gautuam (IX N) won a gold medal at the North India State Martial Arts Championship.



Seharkiran (VIII E) participated in SGFI National School Games U-14 Girls' Athletics, held at Pune, Maharashtra from Feb. 7-9, 2017.



Navroop Preet Singh Shergill (VIII O) won the third position in the MGRC Tricity Golf Tournament.



Eliza Sharma (VII S) won a bronze medal at the State level U-18, 10M Air Pistol Competition.



Manraj Singh (VII O) participated in the District Roller Skating Competition, winning a gold and a silver medal in the competition.



Ishan Rawat (VI S) participated in Indo-Nepal Karate Tournament from Nov. 12-13, 2016. He won a gold in Full Contact and a bronze in the Semi Contact category. He also participated in the Shaheed Durham Singh Memorial Karate-do Championship from Dec. 25-26, 2016 and won a gold in the Semi Contact, a silver in Full Contact and a bronze in Kata categories.



HOUSE REPORT - AITCHISON

"A vaincre sans péril, on triomphe sans gloire" To win without risk is a triumph without glory - Corneille

Housemaster Mrs. Manmohan Kaur Litt

Senior School Appointments

House Captain Boys: House Captain Girls: House Prefects: Dhruv Trehan Barleen Dhaliwal Gagandeep Singh Yashita Bagga

School Appointments from the House

Co-Curricular Captain Boys: Sahil Ahuja Co-Curricular Captain Girls: Sanjana Singh

"IF NOT US, WHO?

IF NOT NOW, WHEN?"

With these inspiring words, the Aitchisonians geared up to take on the session, 2016-17, with full vigour. While accomplishing good positions in certain events, trailing along in others, the house took part believing that, "Every accomplishment starts with the decision to try". Students were motivated by the house teachers to be upstage; if not as the main participants, then as general speakers in the open house to get rid of stage fear. After all "It won't be easy but it'll be worth it".

In the house assemblies, students were encouraged to read out articles from newspapers, recite poems, narrate experiences, etc. It was an effort to provide a podium for public speaking.

Sahil Ahuja (XII-O) won a silver medal in the Multimedia Competition (JAVA Programming) and bagged the second position in the Hindi Essay Writing Competition. Gurnehmat Kaur (X-E) stood first in the English Poetry Recitation, second in the Turn Coat Competition and third in the Multimedia Competition. Prabhnoor Chahal (XI-N) secured the first place in Hindi Solo singing while Kriti Sharma stood first in English Solo singing. Tanya Ahuja (XI-N) stood third in the Hindi Declamation Competition, bagged the gold medal in Hindi Essay Writing Competition and the bronze medal in the Multimedia Competition.

ACHIEVERS BEYOND SCHOOL

- Aditya Singla(VI-S) and Abhinav Singh Bhagtana(VI-T) participated in the District level Football Tournament.
- Aditya Singla (VI-S) took part in the 'Jet Toy Challenge', Regional Level, held at Chitkara School.
- Akshit Sharda (VII-T) took part in the 62nd National School Games in U-14 Basketball Tournament.
- Nitya Ahuja (VII-N) represented Mohali in the State level Athletics in 100, 200 and 400mts race.
- Gurucharan S Sidhu (VIII-O) and Akashdeep S Sidhu (IX-E) took part in the 61st National School Cricket Tournament, 2015-16

- Joshvir Narula(VIII O) and Harshit Kumar (VII O), represented Mohali at the State level Football Competition.
- Aftab Singh Virk (VIII T) represented Mohali at the District Level Athletics and was selected to represent the State.
- Shatik Dhawan (IX T) participated in the CFL (Chandigarh Football League) and Inter BBFS (Bahibhutia Football School)
- Tanya Ahuja (XI-N) secured the fifth position in the Cartoon Making Competition in the All-India IPSC IT-FEST held at The Rajkumar College, Rajkot, Gujarat, where 21 schools participated. Gurnehmat Kaur Dhindsa (X-E) took part in the PowerPoint category in the same competition.
- Alexia Verma (XI N) represented Mohali in the U-19 State Basketball Tournament held at Ludhiana.
- Sanjana Singh (XII N) participated in the Silver Fiesta, 2016. (Inter school Movie Appreciation Festival)
- Yuvraj Garg (XI O) participated in the 63rd National Air Shooting Competition at Pune.
- Indian Association of Physics Teachers, Physics Department, Punjab University, Chandigarh had organised 'National Anveshika Experimental Skill Test'. Sahil Ahuja (XII-O) secured the third position in the 'School Level' Category by competing against 300 students from various schools of the tricity. He received a Certificate of Achievement and a Cash Prize of 500 rupees.

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HOUSE REPORT - NALAGARH

"Live the life of your dreams. When you start living the life of your dreams, there will always be obstacles, doubters, mistakes and setbacks along the way. But with hard work, perseverance and self-belief there is no limit to what you can achieve."

- Roy T. Bennett

Housemaster

Ms. Harinder Kaur

Senior School Appointments

House Captain Boys: House Captain Girls: House Prefects: Bhalinder S Oberoi Puneet Bhullarl Gurtaj Singh Gurleen Kaur

School Appointments from the House

Deputy Head Boy: Sports Captain: Jai Sharma Nagina Sidhu

Nalagarhians, under the guidance of Mrs. Harinder Kaur and her team of teachers and House Appointments, grew from strength to strength. Whether it was scripting and directing the House Play or winning the Sports Trophy, Nalagarhians, showed remarkable initiative and willingness to shoulder all house responsibilities. During assemblies, emphasis is laid on encouraging all students to speak on various topics to develop confidence in the students.

For Co-curricular events Nalagarh House achieved first position in the Hindi Poetry Recitation (Classes VI-VIII), Inter-House Plays (Classes VI- XII), and Inter-House Maths Olympiad (Classes VI-VIII).

ACHIEVERS BEYOND SCHOOL

- Sargi Sekhon (VI-N) bagged the second position in the Chandigarh Olympics 2016, the first position at the District Level and participated in the State Level Swimming Meet.
- Tanushri Jhita (VII-E) stood third in the Hindustan Times Art Competition and bagged second position in the Tribune Art Competition.
- Agambir Singh (VII-O) participated in the District and State Level Football Tournament and the team bagged the first position.
- Rishabh Singh (VIII O) stood fourth in the U-15 Squash State Championship.
- Navroop Preet Singh Shergill (VIII-O) won the third position in the MGRC Tricity Golf Tournament.
- Harshdeep Singh (VIII-N) participated in the State Level Football Tournament and his team was placed in the fourth position.
- Khushi Verma (VIII-S) came third in the Inter-School Swimming Championship, Chandigarh Club.
- Shreya Singla (VIII-S) stood second in the Chandigarh Club Tennis Tournament.
- Sahibjeet Singh (IX-S) bagged the first position in the District and State Level Swimming Meet.
- Harman Bhullar (IX-T) participated in the District and State Level Football Meet.
- Jasnoor Kaur (IX-E) participated in the District Level Athletics Meet.
- Anandi Bali (IX-N) participated in Tennis Tournament, Art Competition and Olympiad.
- Anushka Gargya (IX-S) won the second position in the District Taekwondo Championship.
- Gunjeet Singh (IX-E) stood first in the Tribune News Affairs Quiz.

- Aviraj Singh (IX-E) bagged the third position as a team member, in the State Junior Softball Championship, L.P.U., Jalandhar. He also participated in the U-17 Martial Arts Competition.
- Ojas Gautuam (IX-N) won a gold medal at the North India State Martial Arts Championship.
- Gandharv Thakur won a silver medal in a quiz competition, hosted by the Petroleum Conservation Resources Association.
- Nagina Sidhu (XII-E) won a gold medal in the IPSC Discuss Throw Championship and the team secured the fourth position in State Level Basketball Championship. She has been selected to play basketball at the National Level.
- Manraj Singh (VII-O) participated in the District Roller Skating Competition and won gold and a silver medal.
- Guneev Gill (X-O) won a gold medal in 50m, 100m, 400m and 800m freestyle category, in the Swimming District Championship, Nehru Stadium, Roopnagar. She won silver in 200m, bronze in 400m freestyle category at Brahmrishi Vishwatma Bawra Ji Foundation Swimming Meet organized by Olympics Forum, Chandigarh. She won silver in 50m freestyle race. In the 61st All India IPSC Swimming Championship at Miles Bronson School, Guwahati, she won a bronze in the 800m freestyle.
- Adesh Pratap (X E) has bagged the first position in 100m and 200m at the Mohali Zonals Athletics Meet. He stood first in 100m, second in 200m at the Inter District Competition. He was selected in the Speed Star 2017, Chandigarh team, with the fastest timing in Chandigarh (11.5 seconds).
- Gurleen Kaur (XII-O) and her team bagged the first position in the District Level Basketball.



HOUSE REPORT - PATIALA

"If things don't work out the way you want, Hold your head up high and be proud. And try again. And again. And again!"

Housemaster Ms. Ekta

Senior School Appointments

House Captain Boys: House Captain Girls: House Prefects: Jayant Brar Puneet Kaur Mukund Kaushik Liza Newar

School Appointments from the House

Head Girl: Boarding House Prefect: Simrita Singh Jujhar Singh Dhillon Ms. Ekta with her team of teachers and House Appointments did not leave any stone unturned to motivate Patialians to participate and perform to the best of their ability. This year the house laid emphasis on participation rather than only achieving results. The focus was to provide a platform to all students who had never participated.

On the Co-curricular front, Patiala House stood first in Oxford style debate, Turn coat/Extempore (classes VI-VII), Music and Dance Competition, second in Turn coat/ Extempore (classes IX-XII), Play Third in Maths Olympiad (classes IX-XII), Poetry Recitation (classes VI-VII), Declamation (Punjabi) (classes IX-XII), Science Quiz (classes IX-XII), Poetry Recitation- English (classes IX-XII)

Puneet Kaur, Aranya, Pranav, Aaliya, Mankeert, Paarth and Armaan took part enthusiastically in more than one event and achieved positions in their respective events. Few of the house students took part in inter school activities also.

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HOUSE REPORT - RANJIT

"There are no secrets to success. It is the result of preparation, hard work and learning from failure" - Collin Powell

Housemaster Dr. Rajinder Singh

Senior School Appointments

House Captain Boys: House Captain Girls: House Prefects: Jaisal Dhir Kudrat Kaur Sodhi Hridyavansh S Randhawa Jasleen Kaur Bhullar

School Appointments from the House

Co-curricular Prefect (Music): Sweetaj Brar

Ranjitians have always been committed to create an environment which helps them bloom and provide a platform for over all development.

For co-curricular and sports events, Ranjit House stood first in Punjabi Declamation (IX-XII), Literary Competition (IX-XII), Science Quiz (IX-XII), Swimming Meet (VI-XII), Science Quiz (VI-VIII) and Poetry Recitation (Punjabi) (VI-VIII).

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. Avneesh Singh(X-E) and Arshiya Kapil (IX-S) were declared the best swimmers in the Inter House swimming meet.

Joshnoor Singh Brar (IX-S) broke the school record in high jump.

Aalam Dhanoa (X-N) was declared the best athlete (U-17) boys. He also stood first in the Inter House Cross Country Race.

Dakshmeet Singh (VI-S) was declared the best athlete (U-12) boys.

Royalcee Katodia (VIII-N) was declared the best athlete (U-14) boys.

ACHIEVERS BEYOND SCHOOL

- Sanidhya Sharma (VIII-N) was selected as the captain of the Chandigarh district cricket team. He also stood fourth in Rafi Nights(a singing competition)held at S.D College, Chandigarh
- Jasnee Suri (IX-O) participated in the Mohali Golf Range and won the longest drive challenge.
- Suhel Singh Randhawa (VIII-T) stood fourth in the Bournvita Quiz Contest held in Chandigarh.
- Aalam Dhanoa participated in the District Athletic Meet and stood first in the 1500m category and second in the 800m category.
- Sukhmani Kaur (X-S) participated in the National Soft Tennis Championship and won a

bronze medal. She also participated in the Chandigarh State Shooting Competition. She won two gold medals and a silver medal.

- Arshdeep Singh Khehra (XI-N) participated in Hockey Nationals (U-19), Rajanpreet Singh (XI-N) participated in State Athletics, Uday Gill (IX-E) participated in Mohali District Athletics. Sidhant Sethiya (VIII-E) and Sehaj Punyaveer Singh Pahuja (VIII-N) participated in the State Basketball Tournament, at Mansa and the team was placed second.
- Patwant Singh Dhindsa (XI-N) participated in JNEC, NEC, FEC, Federation Equestrian International.
- Avneesh Singh(X-E) participated in Inter-State, Junior and Senior State Swimming.



HOUSE REPORT - TAGORE

"You need not fear, you are the best, the strong and the mightiest too. You will do it and you can do it, For there is no one like you."

Housemaster

Ms. Rekha Sharma

Senior School Appointments

House Captain Boys: House Captain Girls: House Prefects: Kunwar Shehbaaz S Jhajj Gurinder Kaur Shivam Nagpal Ashneet Kaur

School Appointments from the House

Head BoyJaskirat Singh LambaDeputy Head GirlSukhman KaurBoarding House CaptainRajbalwinder Singh

The Session, 2016-17 brought with it many new hopes, challenges, achievements, and new responsibilities. Although the summit was not conquered by the Tagorians each time, the house never surrendered its spirit. The objective was not to win, but to give their best.

The year for Tagorians was marked by a number of positions in the Inter-house Co-Curricular events. They achieved the first place in Poetry Recitation (VI-VIII and IX-XII), Spelling Bee (VI-VIII), G.K. Quiz (VI-VIII), Math Olympiad (IX-XII), Multimedia Competition (IX-XII), and the Hindi Declamation (IX-XII). Prabhmeh Sandhu and Kartikeya Puri were adjudged the Best Actors in the Inter-House Plays.

ACHIEVERS BEYOND SCHOOL

- Sukhman Kaur Dhanoa (XII-N) was selected to be a member of the National Society of High School Scholars, Atlanta for exceptional academic achievement and commitment to community.
- Sajneet Mangat (XI-N) was awarded the third place for the Best STEP Project for her sustainable development project, the Happy and Healthy You (H2U) Project under Project S.E.A.R.C.H. initiated by The Energy and Resource Institute. The efforts undertaken by her to successfully scale and implement the project were recognized and she was among the three young leaders in the country to receive the award.

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BOARDING HOUSE REPORT

The Yadavindrian Boarding House is always brimming with life and liveliness. An integral part of this school, the boarding house is a melting pot for children, who come, bringing with them the culture and tradition of their region. There is no doubt of the fact that students enter the boarding house as boys but leave the portals of the school, groomed as gentlemen in the true sense of the word. Living together with their peers, the juniors and seniors form a bond of the closest kind, an association which can never be fathomed by others. As they learn to share their living environment, they also learn a host of life skills and form lifelong friendships.

Students of grade four to eight reside in Ajit House which is managed by Mr. Praveen Singha. Students of grade nine to twelve stay in Chandragupt House which is managed by Dr. Bhupindra Mann. Along with the housemasters, each house has a matron to help the children with their daily needs. Following a strict routine helps instill discipline and regularity among the students. The day starts with physical training under the guidance of the seniors followed by tea. The children then partake of breakfast before attending their classes. Lunch with the day scholars, is a time to unwind and catch-up with friends ,while snacks are served after school hours. The evenings are usually utilized productively at the sports field. An hour of prep before dinner, followed by a bit of television and the boarders are ready to go to bed.

In spite of a disciplined routine, there is never ever a dull moment in a boarder's life. Regular outings to watch movies, visits to Elante Mall, Sukhna Lake and other muchvisited tourist spots, add spice to what outsiders might think of as a dull and regimented life. In addition to this, visits to other cities make every moment full of zest and enjoyment. The house is also managed by the boarding prefects: namely the Boarding House Captain and two Prefects, who serve as fitting role models to their juniors.

The boarding house has produced fine individuals and excellent sportsmen for the school and the children in the boarding have a reputation for their warm, brotherly friendliness and their ability to face any tough situation. At the end of their school life the boarders step out of the school premises, as self-assured and confident individuals.



Friends, Fun and Laughter...

OUTBOUND

TREKKING RECOUNT

It was a dull and humid night of May, when we boarded the bus en route the mountains. The anticipation of spending the next four days in an unknown environment had engulfed the trekking contingent, as the bus traversed along a colder night. Nonetheless, the Punjabi songs did not cease to blare, as we journeyed to Manali. We finally reached our destination the following morning.

On the first day we set out exploring the terrain of the hill. It surprisingly proved to be challenging, even for those selfproclaimed seasoned hikers like myself. But the exhaustion wore out on the way down, as we skipped on singular rocks, singing along and almost not too careful to fall into the gorge below. The only sad part about this precarious adventure during the evening was that most of the group barely managed to muster up the energy to walk up to the dining area for dinner. I enjoyed

my quiet and dreamless sleep in a cozy sleeping bag while Gurnehmat and Inayat argued who would get to sleep on the floor. The following day we ventured to a place across the river, and three mountains away. After witnessing the serenity of many big and small waterfalls, our group trudged wearily into the campsite another time. A number of girls chose to spend their afternoon catching up on some sleep. However, a small minority considered it best to play around the grounds, games we hadn't played in ages. On the third day, we shifted our camp and joined another group at their base. It was chillier than our last one and here we had tents instead of cottages. We dumped our things in our tents and set out for a hike up to the mountains nearly 14 kilometres away.

Sajneet Mangat

HATU TREKS

Yadavindrians look forward to the treks every year. This year class VII went to Hatu on May 25, 2016. With our rucksacks on our backs and smiles on our faces, we boarded the buses early in the morning. The journey was full of excitement as we were very impatient to reach our destination. The scenery throughout the journey was breathtaking. It was a fun trip as we enjoyed many activities like Burma Bridge, Valley Crossing, Hiking and Rappelling. Also, we clicked many pictures at the Hatu Temple. We danced and sang songs around the campfire and even celebrated the birthday of one of our group members. It was a mesmerizing experience to be out in the open under the starlit sky, far from the maddening city life with our dear friends and teachers. The students enjoyed every bit of this adventure-packed trek and are now looking forward to more like this one.

Sehaj Tiwana. VII-N



HATU

Trekking is a beautiful way to get away from our daily routines and embrace nature. We look forward to this much awaited event.

The weather was made more beautiful with white, puffy clouds sailing overhead. As we gathered at the school, I could almost feel the excitement in the air! Both boys and girls of grade seven went to Hatu Peak (Narkanda). The distance from Chandigarh to Hatu Peak is nearly one hundred and seventy nine kilometers. It took us approximately twelve hours to cover this distance as the traffic was heavy and there were road constructions on the highway. The journey with friends and five teachers who accompanied us was tiring but fun filled.

We all went to a grand place called Agyaat Vaas. It is a beautiful camp site on the foothills of Narkanda. On the first day we didn't do anything because it was late and we all were exhausted due to the long journey. The instructors told us in the evening to wake up early in the morning for our trek the next day. We all went trekking in the morning and climbed the Huta peak and reached the tip of the mountain where there was a Tibetan temple. On the third day we were told to hike up the same mountain tip for a rappelling activity. On the fourth day, the instructors took us to a very beautiful meadow, where we did zip-ling, an activity I had never done before! After coming back to our camp site we lined up to walk across the Burma Bridge. On the fifth day, we departed quite early from Narkanda as it was supposed to rain heavily. Each day brought in a whole new experience. Exploring this new place with our friends and teachers made it even more memorable. It was an amazing journey with memories, which we will cherish for a long time to come.

Ebrahim Hassan Sofi, VII- N

WAKHNAGHAT

With yummy breakfast and packed tiffins, the girls of class 6 headed towards Wakhnaghat. After piling our luggage in the boot, we answered a roll call and took our places in the bus. As soon as the journey began, the girls began singing songs and our chatting just didn't seem to end. We reached our campsite at 1.30 p.m. and went off immediately to our chosen rooms with our luggage. We had both tents and dormitories. Waknaghat was a really cool and exciting place. After lunch, we went for a long walk. We learnt many new things on our way to our walk. The best part of the walk was when we reached a beautiful place with lots of flowers. After coming back, we had dinner and enjoyed the latest songs while we sat near the bonfire. During the day, we did many activities like valley crossing, zip-line, Burma bridge and rock climbing. At night,

we would have a skit or dance performances by students, who were divided into groups for various activities.

During our treks, we went to 'Tara Devi'. It was a long and tiring walk of around 7 to 8 kilometers. Our energy levels were drained but when we reached the temple, the beauty of the place made our hearts happy and our energy levels went up again! It was tougher than our usual morning treks but this trek was special as I could actually feel the vibrations of love and peace enter our souls. After visiting the temple, we went for shopping and had great fun. On the final day, a special party was organized for us at night. Our trip was amazing and without the care shown by our teachers, it wouldn't have been fun. I am also grateful to the management of our campsite for the delicious food they served us. I am waiting for next summer and the school trek!

Jasleen Kaur 6-N



Green Pastures

FAREWELL

Go confidently in the direction of your dreams! Live the life you've imagined! - Henry David Thoreau

However heartbreaking a farewell might sound, the occasion is often regarded as the most fond memory that a Yadavindrian takes back home. Although this was an end of a beautiful journey for many, they carried with them fond memories and many lessons on life. The experiences of school life can never to be erased from their hearts, memories of which will always be snuggled in the corner of their hearts.

This celebration of the farewell of the Batch of 2017 was organized by grade XI on December 23, 2016. The early-birds were treated to a presentation of photographs during the school year, adding to the air of nostalgia. This was followed by the 'cake-cutting' ceremony. But it was not sentiments and nostalgia only, that marked the event; grade XI had some enjoyable games lined up for their seniors, which brought in fun, laughter and gaiety.

The ramp walk for the title of the 'Best Dressed' student was undoubtedly the most exciting part

of the evening. Sweetaj Brar of XII-N was adjudged the Best Dressed Girl and Jai Sharma of XII-O as the Best Dressed Boy. Post-dinner, everyone proceeded into the area outside the dining hall where a bonfire was lit. Manmeet Bindra of Class XII-E, then sang the song 'Channa Mereya' leaving a few teary-eyed individuals in the crowd. The students lined-up beside the bonfire, with a little lamp held in their hands and passed on the lamps, to symbolically pass 'the light' to the students of Class XI. The gathering was then addressed by the Head-Girl Simrita Singh and Head-Boy Jaskirat Singh Lamba who reminisced their cherished moments in school and read out poems written by them, leaving the gathering overwhelmed with emotion.

The Headmaster wished them well on their journey henceforth. He asked them to abide by the principles and lessons learnt in school and reach for the stars.

The 'Last Step' was the final part of the evening, where the students collected mementos and stepped out, symbolizing the end of their life in school, armed to venture into the great, big world.



The Last Supper



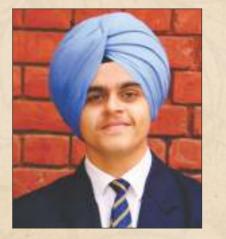
Let the Light of Knowledge Be with You...



Farewell ! Adieu ! Till We Meet Again !

BIDDING ADIEU!

Class XII-E



Anmol Karan Singh Sidhu The 'Mr Helpful' of his class, Anmol, is always ready to lend a helping hand to his juniors.



Bashali

Bashali, a born dancer is often found flitting up and down the school corridors. Her infectious smile can lift the gloomiest of days!



Bhalinder Singh Oberoi

Bhalinder, the Nalagarh House Boys' Captain, is popularly known as DJ Oberoi as the school dances to his beats.



Diltaj Mann Diltaj, alias 'Mr Khali', loves to work on his physique.



Gurleen Kaur Randhawa The sobriquet- 'The Babbling Babe' is very apt for Gurleen, as she talks her heart out.



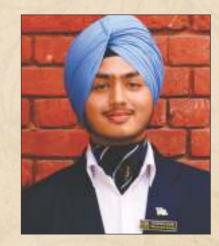
Gursharan Kaur A good-natured girl, Gursharan is extremely helpful and is considered to be a true friend by many.



Jaiyant Singh Brar The Patiala House Boys' Captain, Jaiyant is very popular amongst his juniors.



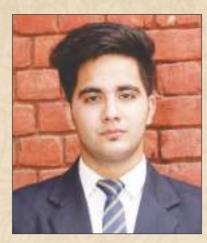
Jeewanjot Singh Kang Jeewanjot has a pleasant persona with a great sportsman spirit.



Jujhar Singh Dhillon The Boarding House Prefect, Jujhar, is also called the 'Jolly Good Fellow' of YPS because of his contagious smile.



Kabir Singh Baidwan Kabir likes to keep to himself but is a good friend to have on your side.



Manmeet Singh Bindra Manmeet's winning smile and stylish dressing sense leaves everyone suitably impressed. His singing talent adds to the many feathers in his cap.



Mukund Kaushik The Patiala House Prefect, Mukund has a very calm nature and is known for his game of football.



Nagina Sidhu The School Sports Captain, Nagina, can play an aggressive game of basket-ball. Many a young cager looks up to her for inspiration and guidance.



The Nalagarh House Girls' Captain, Puneet has an infinite passion for art and craft. Always willing to help, she has been the buttress of Nalagarh House.



Rajbalwinder Singh

Rajbalwinder, the Boarding House Captain has won hearts of all the boarders, who truly look up to him as their 'Big Brother'.



Shivam Nagpal Shivam, the Tagore House Prefect, is always seen studying hard to attain high grades. A keen cricketer, he is usually found practising at the nets.

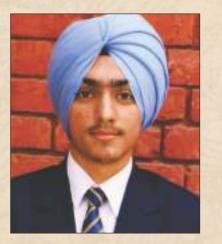


Shreya Arya

Shreya's affable nature makes her the most liked student of her class. A talented orator and writer, her single minded focus on academics is the envy of many.



Sukhpreet Singh Dhindsa Sukhpreet is known to shower his love and care on the boarders.



Udaypratap Singh Dhaliwal Udaypratap is a large hearted person and a good friend to many.



Vaibhav Thakur Vaibhav is a die- hard football fan and a loyal friend.

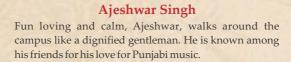


Yashita Bagga

Yashita proves the saying that good things come in small packages. The Aitchison House Prefect is also known to be very friendly and helpful.



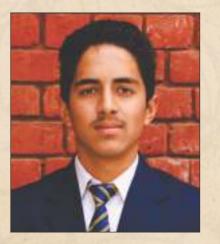






Ashneet Kaur

The 'Melody Queen' of YPS, Ashneet can enthrall an audience with her soulful singing. Optimism and cheerfulness add charm to her personality.



Divanshu Mehta Nicknamed the 'Brett Lee' of YPS, Divanshu is an outstanding athlete. A quiet person, he is also the captain of the school cricket team. Keeping fit is his mantra!



Gagandeep Singh Parmar Gagandeep, the Aitchison House Prefect, is a friend who everyone wants to have.



Guntaaj Kaur Guntaj is an ace dancer. An untiring bundle of energy and enthusiasm, she is full of life at any time of the day.



Gurinder Kaur The 'PT Usha' of YPS, Gurinder, is a no - nonsense girl, who effortlessly runs long distance races. The Tagore House Captain shoulders her responsibility very seriously.



Harnoor Gill A warm and friendly person, Harnoor spreads cheer and happiness wherever she goes.



Hridyavansh Singh Randhawa Gentle and courteous in his demeanour, Hridyavansh has the distinction of being the tallest boy on the campus.



Jaisal Dhir The Ranjit House Boys' Captain, Jaisal remains quiet in class but once outside; he is in his true element. He excels in cricket and is popular among his peers.



Jasleen Kaur Bhullar A writer- in -the making, the Ranjit House Prefect, Jasleen is a fun loving girl. She is also the 'Chhupa Rustom 'of the class.



Jayati Dayal Chandail A quiet and soft spoken girl, Jayati seems forever lost in her daydreams.



Kasamjot Sidhu Kasamjot has a charming personality and a beautiful voice. She is a great fan of Demi Lovato and is loved by herjuniors.



Kudrat Kaur Sodhi The Ranjit House Girls' Captain, Kudrat is a studious and diligent student.



Kunwar Shehbaaz Singh Jhajj Kunwar is also known as the aspiring 'Tiger Woods of India'. The Tagore House Boys' Captain has a charming personality. With a perpetual smile on his face, some also call him the 'Smiling Budha'.

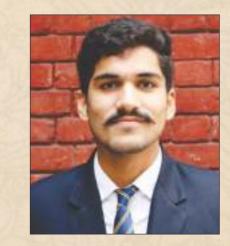


Liza Newar

'Miss Twinkletoes' can perform intricate dance steps with such ease that leaves people awestruck. The Patiala House Prefect brings a lot of energy to any task assigned to her and her juniors love her for this.



Mehardeep Singh Bindra Mehardeep attributes his self confidence to the grooming that the school has provided him and loves to create a buzz around.

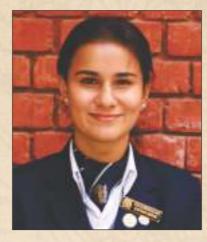


Narveer Gill

An exceptional hockey player, Narveer has captained the school team. He is always found joking and laughing with his close friends.



Rahil Verma An extraordinary athlete, Rahil is a carefree person, who follows the call of his heart. He is often seen in the library reading Harry Potter novels.



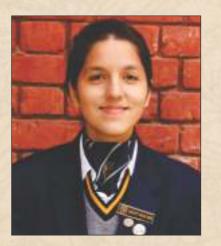
Sanjana Singh

The Co-curricular Captain, Sanjana is a seasoned actor with a beautiful, tinkling laugh. Fondly called 'China Baba', she is an approachable senior, who has many an ardent follower.



Simrita Singh

The Head Girl of YPS, Simrita is a National level basketball player. Exceptionally talented at artwork, she is known for her great advice and her commitment to discipline.



Sukhman Kaur Dhanoa

The Deputy Head Girl, Sukhman, is an all rounder in the truest sense. She plays a proactive role in the affairs of the school and the community. With many accolades to her name, the basketball team captain is known to be the first to step inside the basketball court and the last to leave. Her commitment and focus have inspired many juniors to walk her path.



Sweetaj Brar

Sweetaj is also called 'The Nightingale of YPS'. The Co-Curricular Prefect for Music, is a popular face on the campus known for her spell-binding variations of the voice while singing to an enchanted audience.



Udayveer Jakhar Popularly known by his surname, 'Jakhar', Udayveer has a strong personality and is a good sportsman.



Upneet Kaur Always cheerful and smiling, Upneet is a lovely person to talk to.

Class XII-O



Barleen Dhaliwal

Known as the 'Marie Curie' of YPS. The Aitchison House Girls' Captain, Barleen is a sweet and lively girl. She is always willing to lend a helping hand to her juniors.



Dhruv Trehan The Aitchison House Boys' Captain, Dhruv is courteous and well-mannered boy. He likes to keep himself updated with the latest current affairs.

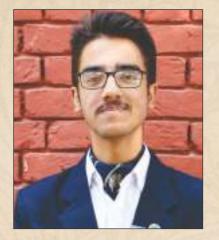


The Nalagarh House Prefect, Gurleen is an ace basketball player. An extraordinary athlete, her cute smile adds miles to her persona.



Gurtaj Singh

Gurtaj has earned the sobriquet, 'Mr Happy- go-lucky'. The Nalagarh House Prefect is an avid football fan. A jovial person, he has the ability to bring a smile on many a face.

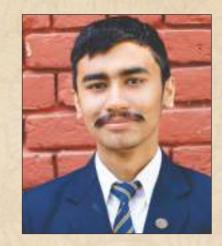


Jaandeep Singh Cheema The Boarding House Prefect, Jaandeep is very popular amongst his peers and juniors. He is a voracious reader and has knowledge of almost every topic under the sun.



Jai Sharma

The Deputy Head Boy, Jai is an unpretentious and reticent personality, with varied interests. With his quiet approach to work, he will make his mark in life.



Jasen Preet Singh

Football and athletics are Jasen's first love. Friendly and always willing to help friends, he is known for his funny bone that keeps everyone in splits!



Jaskirat Singh Lamba The Head Boy of YPS, popularly known as JSL, excels in all three spheres - academics, sports and extra-curricular activities..

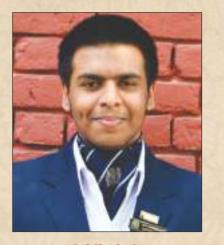


Karanbir Singh Karanbir is called 'Mr. Friendly', not without a reason, as he is very popular amongst his juniors. He is usually found sharing jokes with his class mates.



Puneet Kaur Gill

The 'Ms Sunshine' of the batch and the Patiala House Girls' Captain, Puneet has an amiable nature and is immensely popular among herjuniors.



Sahil Ahuja The 'Isaac Newton' of YPS, Sahil is a quiet, hardworking and a focused student. This Co-curricular Captain's goal is to excel in the field of Robotics.



Vipul Jain A shy person who likes to keep to himself. Although he dislikes reading his syllabus books, he is always found immersed in his favourite Harry Potter books.



Yuvraj Singh Dhanoa A humble and helpful student, Yuvraj is also a diehard fan of Punjabi music.