

SĀNDIPANI

*"Shree Shree Parva - 2019"*Annual Report

A very good evening to honourable Chief Guest, dignitaries, special invitees & respected parents.

Welcome to our Annual Function, Shree Shree Parva. By celebrating the Shree Shree Parva, we are bringing alive our beloved Dada

Dr. Shrikant Jichkar's memories and ideals.

It was 65 years ago, on 14th September, that our Founder, the great visionary was born. Throughout his life, he worked for giving maximum happiness to maximum people.

Dada had envisioned a temple of learning where academic excellence would be blended proportionately with the myriad aspects of development as an individual. And the Annual Report is proof that Sāndipani has struck that perfect balance excellently.

Smt. Rajashri Shrikant Jichkar , the President of Sāndipani School, has extended his mission of quality education with infectious enthusiasm and zeal.

She is ably supported by the Vice Presidents, Secretary and Trustees of the school. She is an accomplished and renowned architect. She is also the President of Arsh Vijnana Gurukulam and the Dr. Shrikant Jichkar Foundation, an NGO working for the poor and needy sections of society.

The Shree Shree Parva, the School's Annual Day is a humble tribute, Sāndipanians pay to their dearest Founder. While the first Shree stands for Lord Krishna, the second is for Dr. Shrikant Jichkar whose ideal was the Lord Almighty Shree Krishna. The Annual Day is a celebration of both the Shrees. Hence the name Shree Shree Parva.

Every Shree Shree Parva reveals a new facet of Lord Krishna's Life. This year's theme is.

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I feel highly privileged and honoured to read the '*Annual Report*' for the session 2018-2019 on this auspicious occasion.

The session commenced with the investiture ceremony. The Head Boy and the Head Girl for the session 2018-2019 were Prithviraj Sapkal and Anwita Metre. Their successors for the session 2019-2020 are Pranav Nayyar and Gauri Gawhane.

We believe that education shouldn't be confined to classrooms or that the knowledge acquired should be only from books. Consequently enormous emphasis is laid on co-curricular activities that help to inculcate skills like time management, organizational skills, leadership, social interaction, discipline, self confidence and a sense of

commitment. These activities groom the students in the Art of Living and working together.

The School has 6 clubs working actively to encourage the varied interests of students, namely the Literary, G.K, Green Club, Arts, Health & Wellness and Heritage Club.

Sāndipani students have made their Alma mater proud by maintaining the tradition of giving 100% result in the board examinations.

Out of the 185 students who had appeared for the AISSE March 2019, 57 students have scored above 90%. Rishika Batra has topped with 98.20% , followed by Divyanshi Harwani with 97.20% and Sanket Parikh and Anwita Metre with 97%.

Many students have scored 100% in Mathematics , Science and Social Science . In fact 23 students have scored 100% in Sanskrit.

The Std. XII students have also done extremely well. The toppers in Science are Hemant Kanth with 91.40% followed by Pranav Tamgadge with 90.00% and Mrunal Mohatkar with 89.80%.

The Commerce Stream saw Pooja Manglani topping with 87.80% followed by Supandeep Bains with 87.20% and Saurabh Ghagre & Twinkle Sangtani with 85.60%

Students of Std. XII State Board produced excellent results in the HSC examination 2019. Tanu Gupta secured highest position by securing 90.31 % in the Science stream, while Kirti Bargaiya scored 90.31% in Commerce stream and topped the list.

Sandipani's Read 'N' Grow contest is a unique initiative to encourage the reading habit which is becoming very rare among students nowadays. That it is a right step taken in the right direction is very evident from the large number of students participating in the questionnaire.

Last year's theme, 'Tales of Tails' had the participation of more than 7800 students from schools in and around Nagpur. The theme for 2019-2020 is 'The Marvel of Magic'.

The NCC unit has qualified for the A-certification exam with 100% result. NCC students planned and executed many activities like tree plantation , Swachhata Abhiyan , Rifle firing and aeromodelling. Our NCC students have won the 'Best Troop' award in the cultural annual training camp held at MLA Hostel, Nagpur. Students bagged the 2nd position in aeromodelling and 1st position in cross country for boys and 2nd position in the Girls category.

The Cubs & Bulbuls, Scout & Guide programme is another venture to promote a disciplined way of life in youngsters. The camps and training under this programme are enjoyable as well as educative. Students qualified the Rajya Puraskar, Hirak Pankh and Golden arrow exams which is yet another accomplishment. Five Scouts and guides of Sāndipani along with the Incharge teacher attended World Scout and Guide Jamboree at West Virginia in North America. Under the Khari Kamai activity, the Scout & Guide students were able to collect a huge amount of money. An amount of Rs. 1,00,000/- has been donated to the Kolhapur Flood Relief Fund which goes to show that Sāndipanians are indeed empathetic citizens at heart.

Sāndipani school took yet another leap towards eminence by setting a distinct benchmark. The school has been acclaimed as one of the 8 best Cambridge English Preparation centres in the western zone of India, which predominantly comprises of Maharashtra and Gujarat. The school had received the Cambridge English Language Assessment Award for preparation centre 2016-2019 and is ranked as one of the best 50 Cambridge English preparation centres in South Asia. It's my great pleasure to inform you that it is being continued for the coming 3 years. This extension is only because of the excellent performance shown by the students along with the parents' encouragement and efforts of teachers.

Excelling in the Board exams is not the only thing that the Sandipani students did. In fact, they had participated in various inter school competitions and brought laurels.

Excellent performances by Sandipanians saw the school bagging the overall trophy in Baljagat.

Harshada Ganeshkar won the second place in the FM Radio 93.5 Superstar Grand Finale. The Centunes 2019 saw the primary choir getting the 2nd Prize. Sandipani Students gave a wonderful performance and won the 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes in the various categories of Scipotech – Science & Technology Competition.

In the Vigyan Prasara Science Quiz our school stood second.

31 students from classes I – VII received gold medals and cash vouchers in the Ignited Mind Lab Mental Maths Competition.

Sandipanians were meritorious in the various Olympiad Exams and secured Gold, Silver and Bronze medals.

In the NSTSE Exam conducted by the Unified Council, Hyderabad, Tanmay Borkar was the City topper of Std. I while Payas Vaidya and Yash Kolhe were the city toppers of Std. II and V respectively.

In the competition – Model of United Nations, organized by Modern School Diptee Barai of std VIII won the Best Delegate Award.

Om Badiyani of std. X stood second in the Elocution Competition organized by St. Ursula school.

Our students stood first in NEERI Festival – 2018. Sandipani Hazaripahad clinched the 1st prize in the Robotronix competition held at Gaikwad Patil International School. Our students brought laurels in The Hitavada Twinkle Club Drawing Competition.

At this juncture, I'm greatly pleased to share with all of you that Vedant Ijamulwar of Std. VIII won the 1st prize in the Regional and National Level CBSE Science Exhibition. He also won first prize in model making competition organized by CSIR.

Parents have rightly realized that the virtues of character building, team spirit, resilience and sportsmanship are the by-products of being on the field for any sport.

We are proud to mention that our student Sai Bhoyar won Silver medal at Khelo India Youth Games and got a scholarship of Rs.5 lakh for 8 years. She was felicitated by Maharashtra Government with a memento and cash reward of Rs.75, 000.

Remarkable performances could be seen in sports competitions like, Lawn Tennis, Handball, Table Tennis, Athletics, Cricket, Kick-boxing and Swimming.

Sandipani students have excelled in the SQAY Martial Art Championships at the State and National Levels. In the 3rd World SQAY Martial Art Championship held at North Korea, Gauri Gokhale won the Gold medal. The 27th State Penchak Silat Competition saw our students getting silver and bronze medals.

We had introduced a new subject EPL for primary students last session. EPL means Exercises of Practical Life, which helps children consolidate and develop co-ordination of movements, integration of personality,

emotional enrichment, the strengthening of will and social relations. EPL also helps the children learn to take care of the environment.

We are glad to share that CBSE had given approval to start with the skill based subject – Information Technology in the session 2018-2019 for std. IX & XI. This is being continued in Std. X and Std. XII and these students will be appearing for the 6th subject in the board exam.

The school had undertaken two mega projects for the session 2018-2019– 'Care For the Elderly and Subject Enrichment Programme'. Here, students learn to empathize with the elderly people in the society. They understand that senior citizens are not a burden, but the crux of society.

Learning from text books is what any child can do. Going beyond text books with the innate curiosity to know more is what every Sāndipanian is trained for. Hence, the Subject Enrichment programme has been initiated. Both these projects are being continued for the present session too, the aim being, inculcating in students, the basic human values.

We arrange for educational visits to places of scientific and historical interests as well as social organizations. In the session 2018-2019 students visited Odisha under 'EK Bharat Shrestha Bharat' project initiated by CBSE.

Several Workshops and Training Programmes are planned every year for teachers as well as students. In the year 2018-2019, Teachers Orientation Programme included various

contemporary topics and were conducted by eminent educationists and counselors. In addition, inhouse workshops and orientation programmes for teachers and parents are taken up periodically. Making the right Career choice, Adolescence Education Programme, Exam Anxiety Management were some of the topics on which students were guided by the subject experts.

The sprawling and ecofriendly campus of our school at HazariPahad has provision for classrooms from Pre Primary to Std. XII as well as adequately equipped laboratories for Sciences, Computer, Language and other subjects. The amenities include well stocked libraries, NCC/Scout & Guide room, Medicare room, Canteen, Music room, Art room, Exploratory room and a Garden library. All the classrooms including laboratories have E-learning facility. In an effort to reduce the weight of school bags, every classroom is provided with a cupboard where some subject books and notebooks are kept. The airy and big playground has facilities for outdoor sports with an exclusive Basketball court. The Sports room has ample space for indoor games. The play zones are used for free play by the smaller children.

State of the art washrooms have been built on all the floors for the convenience of students and teachers. I feel privileged to share with you that a new block, the C block is being added to the already huge campus. Whatever the school does, it is always keeping in mind the interest of students. The C block is built specially to cater to the special needs of pre primary children incorporating the facilities for varied activities for them. Mention has to be made here about the installation of ecofriendly solar panels on the terrace of our school. The rain water harvesting project is also in process.

The vision of our respected founder, Dr. Shrikant Jichkar has been realized to a large extent under the able guidance of our President, Smt. Rajashri Jichkar. We the team members of this prestigious institution, stand committed to the cause of providing world class education while preserving the value system in our students and grooming them into worthy citizens of the country.

By now, you must have realized that Sāndipani is progressing in the right direction, and all this could not have been possible without the parents' support and their faith and trust in the institution.

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Knowledge is that which liberates. Thank you !