

## Guru Harkrishan Public School



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#### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



"Education is not mere accumulation of facts, it is preparation for life itself"

The world is at a juncture where there is a dire need for each country and individual to be aware, resolute and committed to the cause of global peace. This being a Herculean task, the onus of it shifts on to us the 'Educators'- the Teacher, the Father and the Mother. 'This triangle, indeed, is the real role model' - was the reply given by Dr. A.P.J Abdul Kalam, to a question raised by a child, during one of his visits to a school in Tripura.

The meticulously designed curriculum at Guru Harkrishan Public School, India Gate, provides ample opportunities to its students to recognize their innate potential by providing them a steady platform to launch the flight of their dreams and passion.

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#### **OUR EDITORIAL TEAM**



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## **Event/Activities**

## **Teachers Day Celebrations**



Our fellow countrymen have suffered a lot due to the devastating floods, especially in Kerala. Following the tenet of Sikh philosophy, "Vand Chhakana", the Staff at Guru Harkrishan Public School, India Gate, expressing its solidarity, decided to render Sukhmani Sahib Paath with a solemn prayer to ease the suffering of all across the world, and thus pay Tribute to our eternal Teacher and Philosopher, Guru Nanak Dev Ji, on this TEACHERS' DAY. The GHPS Fraternity feels proud of our teachers and congratulate them for their pious vision and noble thought!

## **Tree Plantation Drive**



School participated in the Tree Plantation Drive by Delhi Government on 08.09.18. Students of class VI to VIII, teachers and parents got an opportunity to be a part of historic event in which Delhi Government made an effort to plant five lakh saplings in Delhi. Students of GHPS - India Gate, New Delhi went to the children Park - India Gate to plant trees. They were given an awareness to protect the environment,

by planting trees and to save the environment from the hazards of pollution.

DAY1 Swachchta Pakhwada Is Being Observed In The School Premises From 1st Sept – 15th Sept. 2018.





Awareness about cleanliness & its importance in day to day life was spread among students by putting up charts on the gate and assembly area.





A pledge was taken to keep the school and its surroundings neat and clean. They promised to strive to keep their Bharat Swachch.

DAY2 Swachchta Pakhwada Is Being Observed In The School Premises From 1st Sept – 15th Sept. 2018







Student were sensitized about the cleanliness and sanitation through speeches



A request was made to the parents to encourage their wards to continue with the cleanliness practices at home also.

DAY3 Swachchta Pakhwada Is Being Observed In The School Premises From 1st Sept – 15th Sept. 2018.



Various activities were organized to make Swachch Bharat Pakhwada successful. Our students participated in the tree plantation drive.





They planted saplings in the school garden and promised to water these saplings daily. They got an opportunity to be a part of this historic event by planting saplings in the Children Park, India Gate.





The students of primary segment participated in the 'Reuse of Waste Material 'in the school premises and created wonderful objects from waste material.

DAY4 Swachchta Pakhwada Is Being Observed In The School Premises From 1st Sept – 15th Sept. 2018.





For students of primary segment, a painting competition was organised. The topic of competition was 'Swachchta hi Seva'





Students from Middle Segment presented an interesting skit to sensitize everyone regarding cleanliness. An essay writing competition was held for Middle and Senior Segment students.

Prakash Utsav of Guru Harkrishan Sahib Ji



"Meditate then on revered Harkrishan on seeing whom, all suffering vanishes"

Guru Harkrishan Public School, India Gate celebrated the 363 Prakash Utsav of our Patron Guru, Sri Guru Harkrishan Sahib ji on Thursday, 09 August 2018 with great zeal & religious fervor. The programme commenced with the samapti of Sehaj Path followed by rendition of shabads by the music choir. Inspiring speeches, poems & sakhis were presented by students emphasizing the mission of service to which the 'Child Guru' dedicated his life. The entire occasion was managed by the school girls, highlighting the message 'Women are no less than men- Kaurs and Singhs move together'.

The occasion was graced by the presence of Chairman Dharam Prachar committee DSGMC S. Paramjeet Singh Rana. He congratulated all on this pious occasion, inspired the students to visit Gurudwara & follow the path of Guru's selfless service towards mankind.

The school Principal Mrs. D.K Dhingra thanked the distinguished guest and motivated the children to follow the path of righteousness and truth. The programme concluded with the pious Hukamnama followed by Guru ka langar.

#### **Prefectorial Ceremony**



The formal ceremony of conferring the responsibility to the newly elected office bearers and prefectorial teams of the four house was held on 1 Aug 2018. The programme commenced by invoking the blessings of Almighty. Head boy Gursimar Singh (12D), Head girl Harmeet Kaur (12 D) along with House captains, Sports Captain, Divinity co-ordinator were honoured with badges by the School Principal Ms. D.K. Dhingra, Vice Principal, Ms. H.K. Walia, HM, Ms. Virdi, OS, Jasvinder Singh. The newly elected students council pledged to bestow their duties in the best of their abilities. Principal congratulated everyone and emphasized on the need to become more focussed on their goals and advised them to be role models for other students. She extended a supporting hand to the students' council for the smooth running of the school.

# School Principal, Ms. D.K. Dhingra was conferred with 'The Inspiring Educators of Delhi' Award



School Principal, Ms. Davinderjeet Kaur Dhingra participated in a Talk Series on Reinventing Schools at The Lalit, Delhi on 31 July 2018.

Educators from Top schools of Delhi brainstormed on the need to reinvent our education system by adding elements of experiential learning, life skills training and co-learning for students and teachers. From Ice Breakers to Brainstorming, Panel Discussion to Energizers, delegates discussed and debated on the challenges and solutions for reinventing schools!! Ms. D.K. Dhingra was also conferred with 'The Inspiring Educators of Delhi' Award.

## Founders' Day celebrations



The 53 <sup>rd</sup> Founders' Day of Guru Harkrishan Public Schools (New Delhi) was celebrated with great religious fervor on 19 July 2018. The programme commenced with the recital of Japji Sahib Path followed by Ardas and Vaak. The School echoed with the rendering of shabads and songs.

On behalf of the DSGMC, the school Principal Ms. D.K Dhingra congratulated the students and staff on this auspicious occasion and shared the information on the establishment of GHPS, India Gate in 1965 by DSGMC with an aim to impart quality education and inculcate positive attitude amongst children in an enlightened environment, imbibing ethos and ethics of Sikhism

## **GHPS India Gate Star Cyclist Shines Brightest In World Ranking**



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## **Zonal Competitions**

Zonal (Solo Song) Competition was held at Vidya Bhawan Mahavidyala Lodhi Estate on July 18, 2018. Bhavneet Kaur of class IV got II Position and Harkirat Singh of class V got I position. Zonal Hindi Extempore (Boys) Competition was held at P & T Sr. Sec. School on July 18, 2018. Mayank Sisodia of class VIII got II Position.

Zonal English Extempore (Boys) Competition was held on July 20, 2018. Ayush Singh of class X and Pawanjeet Singh of class VIII got II and I Position respectively.

## **Cycling World Championship**



It is a matter of great pride for the school as our student Master Esow (17 years old), an Indian cyclist, has created history by winning II rank in the current junior world rankings. The performances of Rojit and Ronaldo were equally matching though just 16 yrs of age. They are the future World Champions.

#### **In-Service Training For The Teachers**





With a view to provide In-Service training to the teachers of the school, various workshops were conducted between 28 May to 30 May 2018 under the Resource Development Programme. These workshops aim at providing an opportunity to the teachers not only to grow in the various academic areas but also enhance their physical and emotional aspect.

## 28 May 2018

A workshop on 'MS WORD' was conducted by Ms. Satbir Kaur with an aim to apprise the teachers of the various components of MS WORD-Windows, Saving of documents and insertion of images & shapes. It was followed by a workshop on 'Hindi Vyakran'. Ms. S.K Rattan emphasised on the effective methods of teaching vowels and consonants to the students of Pre-Primary classes. Speaking on 'Communication', Ms. Vandana Tandon(NIE) familiarized the teachers with important aspects of Communication – Body language, Voice tone of the teacher, use of encouraging remarks while teaching. Ms. Inderjeet Kaur Chaggar and Ms. Abhilasha clarified the difference between consonant sounds and vowel sounds. Use of correct pronunciation was also stressed upon citing various examples in a workshop on 'Phonetics'.

#### 29 May 2018

A workshop on 'Teaching strategies for Science' was conducted by Ms. Varsha. She laid emphasis on 'learning by doing; the two ways of enquiry methods in Science, 5 Es – Engage, Explain, Explore, Elaborate and Evaluate. Discrepant event such as Springboards for learning were also explained. Speaking on 'Student-Teacher Psychology', Ms Jayshree Mehta from NIE sensitized the teachers on student-Teacher rapport for effective teaching. Interesting riddles were incorporated to enhance the lateral thinking of learners.

30 May 2018

An English workshop was conducted in the school on 30 May 2018 by Ms. Paramjeet Kaur Ahuja HOD(English) on 'Writing Skills' used in English language. The basic theme of the workshop was 'Sketchnoting technique' It was followed by a workshop on 'Inspiring Young Minds to overcome Maths Phobia' by Ms. Satinder Kaur, HOD (Maths) Innovative methods of teaching to overcome child's Phobia were discussed. The programme was culminated with a workshop on 'Amazing Facts of Social Science conducted by Mr Gurvinder Singh.

## 31 May 2018

A presentation was given by Ms. Sukhbir Kaur, PRT Music, on 'Sargam' on Thursday, 31 May 2018. The teachers enjoyed learning and repeating the sargam under the guidance of the teacher. Many teachers also made an attempt to sing songs on the allotted 'Sur and Raag'.

## Adventures of GHPS, India Gate at Bhowali, Nainital

GHPS India Gate, in association with Team Rocksport, organised a 4 day Adventure Trip to Jungle Retreat, Bhowali, Distt. Nainital for its students.

The 40 young adventurers from Classes VII & VIII were given Training on Camping Skills, Tent Pitching, Scrambling & Knot Making. They then participated in Activities like Zip Line, Rappelling, Short Treks, Guerrilla Warfare & Rope Climbing. Reflection Time around Bonfire every evening was pretty enjoyable.

An educative & enjoyable Trip indeed!!



**Tree Plantation Drive** 

A tree plantation drive was launched at Guru Harkrishan Public School, India Gate on 13th March 2018 on the occasion of Sikh Environment Day. The event was organized in collaboration with DSGMC,

Earth Day Network and IH Foundation Kolkata and Indian All Religions Group.

The day was graced by S. Satnam Singh Ahluwalia, President, IMH Foundation; Ms. Karuna A Singh, Director, Earth Day Foundation; Goswami Sushil Ji Maharaj, Founder Indian All Religions Group; Acharya Dr. Lokesh Muni Secretary, Ahinsa Vishwa Bharti; S. Paramjit Singh Chandhok, Dr. Umed Ahmed Illiyasi, President, All India Imam Association besides the Manager of Guru Harkrishan Public School, India Gate, Mr. Kulmohan Singh and the Vice Principal, Ms. Harbans Kaur Walia.



Saplings were planted by the above dignitaries along with the school students and the eminent personalities stressed the need to plant more trees to protect the environment. They also applauded the efforts made by the school students from time to time in this direction.

## **Indo German School Exchange Programme**



It was a matter of great pride for nine students of Guru Harkrishan Public School, India Gate to be a part of Indo German School Exchange Programme which started in the month of October 2017. Initially the students hosted the students of Ricarda Huch Gymnasium, Krefeld, Gremany during the first phase of the programme. German students visited our school, attended the classes and visited important

places of Delhi to learn about our culture, cuisine and lifestyle. During the second phase of SEP, nine students alongwith school Principal Mrs. D.K. Dhingra and Harinder Kaur(PGT) visited Krefeld from 11 March to 20 March 2018. During their stay with the host families, they appreciated the German culture. They developed an idea about the Education system followed in Germany by attending their classes during the stay. While interacting with German students and spending time with their parents/siblings, the students got first hand information about their lifestyle and mannerisms. The students of both the countries thoroughly enjoyed the enriching, informative and entertaining experience. It provided the young, curious and motivated minds an opportunity to immerse in each other's cultures. It promoted the reciprocal understanding and interpersonal relationship taking the young students on the path of becoming global citizens.

## **Primary Graduation and Orientation Day**

Guru Harkrishan Public School, India Gate celebrated the graduation of its Primary students on 11 April 2018 amidst fun and frolic.

The school Principal, Mrs. Davinderjeet Kaur Dhingra, accorded a formal welcome to the guest and shared some parenting tips with the parents of those students who have joined the GHPS, India Gate family this year. The occasion was graced by Col. Jasbir Singh Nirmal, Director Education, GHPS (New Delhi) Society.

The tiny tots, dancing on their dainty feet, mesmerized one and all. While the English play 'Save Environment' brought home the demerits of global warming and pollution in the present scenario, the Punjabi play was dedicated to the just noble and warrior-of-warriors **Sher-e-Punjab:- Maharaja Ranjit Singh.** The highlight of the evening was the **Fusion Dance** showcasing the successful completion of the Indo-German Student Exchange Programme.

The grand finale was a riot of colours and trends from ethnic to modern clothes in the form of a fashion show.

The 'Shaheed Captain Davinder Singh Jass' All-Rounder Rolling Trophy was conferred by the parents of the martyr to Guruveer Singh Dhillon of Nursery.

S. Balbir Singh Kohli, Chairman, GHPS India Gate, highlighted the importance of such ceremonies for the holistic development of students. The school Manager, S. Kulmohan Singh, congratulated everyone on the success of the event & appreciated the efforts of the staff & students.



**Visit to Patiala House Court** 

Students from classes XII and X along with Political Science teacher Mrs. Rajinder Sharma and Economics teacher Mrs. S. K. Bhasin visited the Patiala House Court on 7 April 2017, to observe the proceedings of the **Honourable Court**.

The Secretary, New Delhi District Legal Service Authority Ms. Shivani Chauhan, apprised the students about the various aspects of Free Legal Aids available to different sections of the society like: women, children seniors and physically challenged citizens. The students were divided into groups and led to different court complexes--- Family Court, Anti Corruption Court, Additional Session and Cubicals of Metropolitan Magistrates.

At the end, in the Interactive Session, queries of inquisitive students were answered and they were updated with the plethora of laws. It was an interactive and informative session indeed!



Baisakhi - The Birth of Khalsa and the Onset of the Spring Harvest Festival



Baisakhi, this auspicious day was celebrated in our school premises on 12 April, 2017 with exuberance and gaiety.

The programme commenced with Shabad recital-Khalsa Akal Purakh di Fauj by the choir group. The importance of this harvest festival was portrayed in a song presented by the girls. Poems and speeches delivered by students accentuated the birth of Khalsa by the tenth Guru, Guru Gobind Singh Ji in 1699. A skit and dance performance was presented by the young learners in their colourful, traditional costumes exhibiting the importance of Sikh cultural

## heritage-Panj Pyaaras & Panj Kakkars.

The entire staff was dressed in yellow – saffron colour to mark this great day. At the end, School Principal Mrs. Davinderjeet Kaur Dhingra congratulated everyone for their great efforts to put up the show. She delivered a motherly speech on **Not to Waste Food**, coined the students as **Harbingers of Change**, and wished all a very happy and peaceful Baisakhi.

#### **World Earth Day Celebration**



The school was abuzz with activities on 24 April 2017 when students of class IV at GHPS India Gate celebrated the **World Earth Day**. Cheerful students began the celebrations during the morning assembly.

Jaishith Sharma of class IV-C spoke about the World Earth Day. Banners and colorful placards were put up, reading Go Green, Save Nature and Save **Trees** which was followed by a group song by the students of class IV. Our school principal Ms. Davinderjeet Kaur Dhingra planted saplings along with the students in the school on this occasion. Guru Nanak Dev Ji, laid the foundation of sacred vision for the environment when he composed the Shalok Pawan Guru ,Pani Pita, Mata Dharat *Mahat* meaning Air is the Guru, Water is the Father and the Earth is the great Mother. Our principal encouraged the students to honor our Guru's wisdom by believing that all humans should be sensitive towards nature so that our biodiversity remains vibrant for our future generations. Our headmistress Ms.Gurmeet Kaur Virdi also shared her views about the importance of environment conservation and motivated the students to work towards it. Saplings were presented to the Principal and the headmistress by the students .A colorful rangoli depicting our Mother Earth was the highlight of the day.

## **Sports**

## **Volleyball Tournament**



The school is hosting an Inter GHPS Volleyball Tournament (Sr. Boys) 2018 on 4 Sept., 6 Sept. and 7 Sept 2018. The school Ms. D.K Dhingra, Vice Principal Ms H.K Walia , all participants and Physical Education teachers were present at the opening ceremony. The participants took an oath promising to uphold the spirit of sportsmanship and fair play. The Principal addressed the gathering and emphasized on the importance of games and sports for physical development and declared the Inter GHPS Volleyball Tournament open. The Final Match of the Tournment was played between GHPS INdia Gate and GHPS Vasant Vihar . GHPS Vasant Vihar won the match.

This was Followed by Prize distribution ceremony. The school Principal Ms D.K. Dhingra congratulated the plays and their coaches. The winning team GHPS Vasant Vihar was presented gold medals and trophy and the runners up GHPS India Gate received silver medals and a trophy

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#### **Sports Events in School**



It is rightly said "Good players inspire themselves, great players inspire others".

The school is very active in conducting sports events for all the classes. Such kind of sports events build those players who will one day make our nation proud of them. Sports has no doubt became an essential element of studies these days. These sports activities build endurance, strength and stamina of students which academics alone won't be able to achieve. Even, the new education system stresses lot on sports. Thus, Guru Harkrishan Public School, India Gate believes in nurturing the young talents and exposing them to a lot of sports since their initial enrollment. This helps all the students to keep their minds fresh and positive all the time.

Various sports activities like Karate, Marathon, Volleyball, Basketball, etc. are conducted time to time and even during the regular classes of students.

## Workshops

## **Session on Prevention of Drug Abuse**



A session on Prevention of drug abuse was organised for the parents on the day of declaration of result i.e. 28 October 2017. The resource person Ms. Tarunpreet from Drug Free World, India sensitized the parents about this menace and cleared some misconceptions on the topic.

## Scholars of the school

**Avinash Bisht: Class 12th CBSE Board Exam Topper** 



Avinash Bisht secured First Rank in the Science Stream in the Class 12th Board Examination with 92%.

# Ishaan Chauhan: Class 12th CBSE Board Exam Topper



Ishaan Chauhan secured First Rank in the Commerce Stream in the Class 12th Board Examination with 91%.

# **Arshpreet Kaur: Class 12th CBSE Board Exam Topper**

Arshpreet Kaur secured First Rank in in the Humanities Stream in the Class 12<sup>th</sup> Board Examination with 87 80%





## Student of the month

## Alokita Rakheja: Class 10th CBSE Board Exam Topper



Alokita Rakheja secured first rank in Class 10<sup>th</sup> CBSE Board Exams with 95.6%

## **Articles**

## Poem Written by - Sia Saxena



I peep through windows I peep through doors I watch the saddened And light up their shores I steal into the clouds and wander in the sally I swim in the rivers I run down the valley I see the sleeping moss and mallows Grass and ferns too I wake up the wolves, owls and swallows And lot of work I do I spread the lusty silvery dust I wander about the streets I go and come in a just And rest where the sky and earth meets I come and sing mingly song Peace and contentment I preach I return to where I belong I chatter on an isle's beach I hear the brooks idly babble I bring about the night I slip and cross the golden pebble And hide the world in quite -Sia Saxena

