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Dear Friends,

I have been associated with Salwan Public School, Rajendra Nagar, since past few months, and have many observations to share with teaching and non-teaching staff, students, parents and all other interested stakeholders.

SPS Rajendra Nagar is an old established school with more than half a century of yeoman's service to the community. The school's repute for academic, athletic and extra-curricular activities continues to be strong but there are several areas of improvement. Your school's Principal, who took over in July 2013, is working closely with the Director and senior staff to identify key gaps and develop strategic programs to address the gaps. The school has already committed to significant investment in the current and future academic years in infrastructure, facilities, systems, training and rewards.

The school infrastructure renovation project is progressing well while causing temporary discomfort to all concerned. I am confident that we will commence the new academic year with all infrastructure in place and better facilities available to both teachers and students in the near future. Smart classrooms, more information technology tools and equipment for senior administrators, filling positions in the senior and middle school through internal succession, training and development programs for both teaching and non-teaching staff, and a host of other initiatives are underway.

I am especially pleased that serious efforts are underway to enhance the visibility and brand of the flagship school of Salwan Education Trust. Holding the National Level Science Exhibition of CBSE in the school premises with hundreds of schools from across India and outside participating over three days is a substantial achievement which ensures that SPS Rajendra Nagar is amongst the leading schools not only in the National Capital region but also across India.

I wish all of you a very productive and fruitful balance for the current academic year.

With Warmest Regards

Dr Prasad Medury

CBSE Results : Performance Snapshots

Class XII Session 2012-2013	
No. of Students Appeared	183
Pass Percentage	100%
Average Percentage	80%
Students with 90% and Above	33%
No. of 1st Divisions	179
No. of 2nd Divisions	4%
No. of 3rd Divisions	0
Total No of A1 & A2	413
Total No of B1 & B2	250

Class X Session 2012-2013	
No. of Students	171
Pass Percentage	100%
Students with 9 and above CGPA	50
Total No of A1 & A2	352
Total No of B1 & B2	387
Students securing CGPA 10	11

Prominent Placements of the year ...

Prarabdh Bharti- IIT Kanpur, Akshat Bhanot- Delhi Technological University, Mallika Joshi and Shrey Bali-Narsee Monjee College of Commerce & Economics, Mumbai, Jaswant Singh - National Defence Academy, Avneesh Murgai - MS University of Baroda (Applied Arts).
For more information visit the school website: <http://www.salwanpublicschool.com/studentplacement.html>

Stream Wise Top Scorers

Stream	Name	Percentage
Non Medical	Akshat Bhanot	95%
Medical	Karan Grover	93.4%
Commerce	Abhishek Kwatra	95.4%
Humanities	Gunjan Vaid	94.6%

Visually Impaired set an Example

Four visually impaired students of Class XII secured excellent results; Manpreet Kaur- 89.2% , Ratul Arora- 89%, Hartaj Singh- 88.4% and Mayank- 84.6%. Ajit Singh, a visually impaired student of Class X scored 9.8 CGPA. He secured a perfect 10 in Mathematics, Hindi, Social Science & Information Technology and 9 in English. He has been selected under the Kennedy- Lugar Youth Exchange Study Programme to the U.S. for one academic year.

Investiture Ceremony

The School inducted its Prefectorial Board for the session 2013-14 on 23rd July '13. Dr. Prasad V. Medury, Chairman, Dr. (Mrs.) Indu Khetarpal, Principal, and Maj. (Retd.) S. K. Kohli, Director, SET, decorated the young leaders with ties and badges. Dr. Medury in his speech encouraged the students to work sincerely and take the school to greater heights of excellence.



Prominent Events

C.B.S.E National Science Exhibition 2013

The **10th National Science Exhibition 2013** organised by the **Central Board of Secondary Education** was hosted by the school from October 4 to 6, 2013. The exhibition was inaugurated by the CBSE Chairman, Shri. Vineet Joshi and Dr. Sadhna Prashar, Director CBSE. 262 schools from across the country participated. Under the umbrella-theme **Science & Society**, the exhibits by the different schools were an extension of the diverse sub- themes, namely:

- * Industry
- * Natural Resources and their Conservation
- * Transport and Communication
- * Information and Education Technology
- * Community Health & Environment
- * Mathematical Modelling

A **'Maths Manual'** to help students understand the fundamentals of Mathematics was also released by the Faculty of **Salwan Public School, Rajendra Nagar** and **Salwan Public School, Gurgaon**. The initiative undertaken by the **CBSE** not only sought to augment inquisitive scientific learning and its diverse subjects; but also urged students to understand and appreciate the intimate inter-relationship among Science, Society and Environment.

The Chief Guest, Dr. S. Natesh, Former Advisor, Department of Biotechnology (DBT), Government of India and Dr. K. Shipra Verma, CBSE Coordinator for National Science Exhibition felicitated the best 24 participants of the exhibition at the Valediction Ceremony.



Global Education Leaders' Programme Delegates Visit SPS

SPS had the proud privilege of welcoming the delegates of GELP (Global Education Leaders' Programme) on 23rd October '13 in the school. The six representatives who participated in the school programme were - Jill Hawley (Colorado), Tom Shelton (Kentucky), Michelle Hill (Victoria), Thomas Floyd (Kentucky), Sarah Gillinson (GELP Team) and Robert (UK). The Salwan Group of Schools shared their best practices with the delegates. The presentation showcased by SPS, Rajendra Nagar focused on the exemplary Public- Private Partnership between Public Schools and schools for the underprivileged, run under the aegis of Salwan Education Trust. The delegates appreciated the sharing of resources, infrastructures, pedagogies and innovative practices under this partnership model. Salwanians apprised the delegates about the school's rich history, its illustrious alumni & the school's pride in grooming three generations of learners. The school's endeavour to provide 'Inclusive Education' to the visually-impaired and children with special needs, was also highlighted during the interactive session with the delegates.



Holistic Development...

Samman Diwas

Salwanians saluted the Brave Sons of the Soil on the occasion of Samman Diwas on 24 August '13. Lt. Gen. Rajiv Bhalla, SM, VSM, Director General Military Training, Col. Commandant APCC, Col. of the JAT Regiment was the Chief Guest. Maj. Gen. M K Unni, VSM, Deputy Commandant, R & R Hospital inaugurated the Blood Donation Camp. The school honoured the decorated soldiers and Veer Naaris. Parents, Members of the Managing Committee & teachers in large numbers donated blood for the Army Transfusion Centre. In addition to a vibrant cultural programme 'Desh Rangeela', many exciting games were organized for the jawans.



Igniting Patriotic Fervour

A special assembly on Independence Day was organized on 14th August '13. The National Flag was hoisted by the Hon'ble Director Maj. (Retd.) S. K. Kohli. The students pledged to keep their surroundings clean. The winners of the 'Inter-House Patriotic Song Competition' enthralled the audience with their songs.



A Date with Polar Explorer, Mr. Robert Swan

The students of Eco- brigade participated at the launch of Project SEARCH Phase V, organized by The Energy and Resources Institute (T.E.R.I) and Tetra Pak on 16th April '13 at India Habitat Centre. The occasion was graced by eminent environmental leader & world-renowned polar explorer, Mr. Robert Swan who shared his inspiring experiences with the participants. Aastha Kaur of Class X & Manasvi Saluja of Class V received tokens of appreciation from Mr. Swan for the thought- provoking questions put forth by them.



Earth Day Carnival

Students of Classes IV & V participated in 'Earth Day Carnival' organized by the Department of Environment, Govt. of NCT of Delhi in collaboration with WWF – India at Hon'ble Chief Minister Mrs. Sheila Dikshit's residence on 26th April'13. They participated in activities such as story narration, quiz & slogan writing.



International Health Day Celebrations



The International Health Day was celebrated on 5th April '13. An Inter-Class Skit Competition was organized by Bio / Biotech Department on various health issues. Dr. Bindu, Dietician, Fortis Health Care gave a talk on healthy food choices & the impact of junk food on our health. Classes III to VIII also participated in Healthy Food Competition. A special assembly was organized on 7th April'13. A skit highlighting the importance of following a healthy diet & lifestyle was staged.



Awareness Drive on World Environment Day!

The students of Eco- brigade celebrated World Environment Day with rag-pickers from CHINTAN on 5th June '13 by organizing a FLASH MOB at Select City Walk Mall, Saket in collaboration with Shaping Lives, an initiative of Le Passage Travel Foundation. The flash-mob aimed at sensitizing shoppers to be conscious consumers & responsible decision-makers. People were encouraged to plant more trees and use cloth bags instead of plastic bags.



Maths Week

The Maths Department organized a Maths Week from 15th – 18th July '13 to encourage the budding Mathematicians of the school. Around 200 students participated in the 'Maths Week'. Different competitions were organized for Classes VI to XII. Some of the activities were Relay Test, Epsilon Test, Sudoku and interesting puzzles.

Salwanian Shines at S.T.E.P

STEP (Sensitizing, Training and Educating Peers) Programme is part of Project SEARCH an endeavour of T.E.R.I & Tetra Pak which focuses on leadership training & capacity building. Pragya Jain of Class VIII participated in a leadership training camp at Swapangandha Valley, Western Ghats – Goa from 29th April to 2nd May '13 & a follow-up camp at Silent Hills Resort, Manor (Maharashtra) from 26th August to 1st September '13. Pragya will be organizing a Community Welfare Project sponsored by T.E.R.I.

Shakespeare's Day



A Parade showcasing various literary characters from Shakespeare's works marked the Shakespeare Day Celebrations on 26th April '13.

Grandparents' Day



Students of Class I celebrated Grandparents' Day on 25th July '13. They expressed love, respect & gratitude towards their grandparents through a heart-rending skit, poems and a melodious song.

Kids for Tiger Rally

Telecom giant Aircel and Sanctuary Asia, India's leading wildlife magazine, organized 'Kids for Tiger Rally' on 21st March '13 as a part of 'Save Our Tigers' Campaign. Commemorating the International Day of Forests, eco-activists from the Primary Wing participated in the rally. Through skits, posters, banners and slogans to 'Save Tigers', they sensitized one & all about the need to protect India's natural heritage. Cries of "Tiger, tiger burning bright, we will never let you out of sight!" reverberated at Rajghat.



Inter School Punjabi Quiz

Salwanians bagged the 2nd Position in the Inter-School Punjabi Quiz Competition held at Bhai Vir Singh Sadan on 20th July'13. The names of the young achievers are :- Janmeet Kaur (VIII B), Sarabdeep Singh (VIII B), Sidak Singh (X A) and Gursharan Kaur. (X-B)

Food Festival

To instill healthy eating habits a Food Festival was organized on 30th August '13 for the students of Class I & Class II. The menu included foods of different categories- Body building foods, Energy giving foods & Protective foods. A special counter of desserts displayed the sweets served during different festivals of India. Students enjoyed the mouth-watering dishes & learnt valuable lessons for life at this Health & Food Fiesta!



WWF's Wild Wisdom Quiz

Navneel Singhal of Class VIII and Vanshal Singh of Class VII bagged the 4th position at the State-Level Wild Wisdom Quiz organized by WWF India, TRAFFIC India, in collaboration with Ministry of Environment and Forests and C.B.S.E. on 19th Aug'13 on the theme- aquatic ecosystems.

Awards & Accolades

Recognition for Healthy Practices

The school has been awarded the International Felicitation for Promotion of Health Standards at School Level by the National Institute of Clinical Research and Indira Gandhi Technological and Medical Sciences University, Arunachal Pradesh. The school has also received 'The Life Empowerment Award for Schools 2012-13 by Expressions India, The National Life Skills, Values Education & School Wellness Program. The school has won accolades in two categories:

- Exemplary Achievements in Healthy School Environment
- Special Jury Award in Inclusive Education



Winners All The Way!

Salwanians bagged awards in two categories at the 6th Hum Kishore Festival" organized by 'Urivi Vikram Charitable Trust' at Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, Kasturba Gandhi Marg on 2nd and 3rd May '13. The Instrumental Solo/Group won the 1st prize, a Running Trophy, a Gold Medal and a Cash Prize of Rs. 3000/-. The Vocal Music (Choir) Group won the 2nd prize, a Silver Medal and a Cash Prize of Rs. 2000/-.



Eco School of the Year Award

Recognizing the outstanding contribution of the school towards environment education, the Indian Institute of Ecology & Environment felicitated the school with **Eco School of the Year Award** during a special ceremony organized on 5th June '13 –World Environment Day at India International Centre.



Moments of Victory

The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI), Tetra Pak Initiatives and The Times of India group organized 'Your Cartons, My Classroom' Campaign on 21st April and 22nd April '13 at DLF Saket



Mall. Salwanians bagged the 1st prize in 'Joy of Giving' Competition with their scintillating performance- a unique blend of speeches, dances and slogans based on effective waste management.

Talent Wins

Budding actors of Salwan won the 2nd Prize in the Inter-School Nukkad Natak Competition on Community Awareness organized at Faith Academy School on 22nd July '13. The names of the proud winners are :- Vinayak Gupta (X A), Sidak Singh (X A), Yatin Bhasin (X B), Rakshit Khoba (X B), Shreya Gupta (X D), Shutija Saxena (X D), Arush Damir (X E), Divya Khanna (VIII D) and Ridhima Manocha (VIII D).

Sports Splendour

Achievements In Sports (2013 - 2014)

Gymnastics							
S.No	Competition	Name	Class	Team Achievement	Individual Achievement		
1.	Eleventh Zonal Gymnastics Championship, held from 2nd-4th Aug '13 at SKV Subhash Nagar, New Delhi	Boys Under/10				Ist Position	
		Suvrat	V C				
		Sarthak	IV A				
		Krishna	IV B				
		Animesh	IV A				
		Yatharth	IV D				
		Girls Under/12				IIInd Position	Balancing Beam- 2nd Position
		Adya	V A				All round – 2nd
		Aditi	V B				
		Chahat	V B				
		Simone	VI A				
		Bipasha Handa	VI D				Floor Exercise- 2nd Position
		Boys Under/12				IIIrd Position	Floor Exercise-3rd Position
		Abhay Arora	VI A				
Chaitanya	VI C						
Shivam	VII E						
Arjun	V C						
Jayant	V A						
2.	53 rd Delhi State Gymnastics Championship 2013, held at I.G. Stadium I.T.O. New Delhi from 22 nd -27 th Oct '13	Boys under /12					
		Abhay Arora	VI A			Bronze Medal on "Floor Exercises"	
		Shivam	VII E			Bronze Medal on "Balancing Beam"	
		Girls Under /12					
		Simone Khurana	VI A			Bronze Medal on "Balancing Beam"	
		Boys Under /14					
Harsh	VII E			Bronze medal on "Pommel Horse"			

Taekwondo						
S.No.	Competition	Name	Class	Category	Results	
3.	Open Delhi State Taekwondo Championship 2013 held at Shiv Mandir Hall, Naraina Ring Road, New Delhi on 4 th -5 th May '13.	Primary Boys				
		Priyank Kumar	IV B	29-32Kg Sub jr.		Gold Medal
		CharchitChandolia	IV C	35-38 kg sub jr.		Bronze Medal
		Utsav Kumar	IV C	38-41 kg sub jr.		Bronze Medal
		Junior boys				
		Gavish Mair	IX B	42-44 kg sub jr.		Gold Medal
		Naman Makkar	IX D	59-63 kg sub jr.		Silver Medal
VibhasWahi	IX D	52-54 kg sub jr.		Silver Medal		

Athletics				
S.No	Competition	Name	Class	Performance
1.	Delhi State Athletic Meet held from 8 th - 10 th August ,2013 at J. N. Stadium	Girls		
		Suchika Kaul	VII B	U/14 - Shotput - Silver Medal
		Sumedha Seth	XII B	U/18 - Javelin - Silver Medal
2	CBSE Cluster XII Athletic Meet 2013 6 th – 9 th October, 2013 at St. Xavier School.	Girls - U/14		
		Suchika Kaul	VII B	Shotput II - Silver Medal
		Boys - U/14		
3.	Zonal Athletic Meet 24 th – 26 th October, 2013 at DI Khan School, New Rajendra Nagar	Girls- U/14		
		Janmeet	VIII B	100 M - Gold Medal
		Suchika	VII B	Discuss - Gold Medal
		Prachi	VI E	400 M - Bronze Medal
		Girls: 4*100 M Relay - U/14		
		Janmeet	VIII B	Gold Medal
		Suchika	VII B	Gold Medal
		Prachi	VI E	Gold Medal
		Kivanmai	VII C	Gold Medal
		Khushi	VIII B	Gold Medal
		BOYS - U/14		
		Gurvansh	XII B	Shotput - Gold Medal
		Anshul	XIII B	200 M - Bronze Medal
		Ekamjyot	VII C	Long Jump - Bronze Medal
		Boys: 4*100 M Relay - U/14		
Anshul	VIII B	Gold Medal		
Rasmeet	VIII D	Gold Medal		
Devansh	VIII D	Gold Medal		
Navjass	VIII B	Gold Medal		
Aman	VIII B	Gold Medal		

Workshops

Career Workshops: Career workshops for students of Classes XI & XII were organized by Centre for Career Development on 9th May '13 to orient the students with upcoming career options in Biofuels, Avionics, Marine Engineering, Creative careers, Architecture, Actuarial Science, Mass Communication, etc. Relevant information relating to premier institutes offering different courses was provided.

Workshop for Examiner Trainers – Assessment of Speaking and Listening Skills

Ms Jyotsna Grover (HOD English) & Mrs Ritika Malik (TGT English) attended a Workshop for Examiner Trainers – Assessment of Speaking and Listening Skills held at CBSE from 6th to 10th September '13. The Workshop was organized in collaboration with Trinity College, London and Orient Black Swan. The Resource Persons for the workshop were Mr. Julian Kenny from Trinity College, UK and Ms. Padmaja from Orient Black Swan. The Workshop focused on equipping participants with practical understanding of ASL, the importance of its different elements & linking the exam to natural communication.

Workshop on Functional English Curriculum



A Workshop on Revised Functional English Syllabus for Class XI Teachers was organised in the school on 7th October. Mrs. P.Rajeshwari, Education Officer, Academics CBSE conducted the workshop and guided the teachers about the course curriculum, blue print of the paper, new lessons, ASL and the Language Skills Book. Teachers from eleven premier schools of Delhi attended the workshop.

Beyond Classrooms

Destination Learning...Visit to Rail Museum!



The students of Class I visited the Rail Museum on 3rd Sep'13 as a part of their multi-disciplinary activity based on the lesson Means of Transport. They observed different kinds of engines, steam engines, locomotives, coaches, track-changers, railway –tracks and railway-stations & trains of yester-years showcased at the museum. They enjoyed a ride on the toy -train.

National Zoological Park



The students of Classes III & IV visited the National Zoological Park on 25th July '13. The young wildlife enthusiasts observed different species of birds, reptiles and mammals. They also acquired knowledge about adaptations in animals.

Field Survey on Socio- Economic Issues

The students of Geography of Class XII E conducted a field survey in Yamuna Pushta Area on 13th July '13 to learn the skills of observation, collection and compilation of data, its analysis and connecting theory with practical. The students learnt the harsh realities of life by surveying slums of Delhi.

A Joyride on Science Express Bio-Diversity Special!



The students of Class V visited the Science Express - Bio-Diversity Special stationed at Pragati Maidan Railway Station on 13th April '13. Science Express, a collaborative initiative of Ministry of Environment and Forests, Deptt. of Science and Technology and Indian Railways, Government of India, is an innovative mobile science exhibition inside a train. As the students progressed from one coach to another, they were able to acquire knowledge about the myriad floral & faunal biodiversity of India showcased through a variety of multimedia exhibits, large format displays, informative kiosks, back-lit panels & game-boards.

Visit to Parle Biscuit Factory



Students of Classes III, IV and V visited the Parle Biscuit Factory at Bahadurgarh on 30th September and 1st October '13 to acquire knowledge about the various processes involved in manufacturing biscuits, snacks & confectioneries.

Heritage Walk

A Heritage Walk was organized on 4th August '13 by Heritage Club working under the aegis of Shahjahanabad Redevelopment Corporation (SRDC). Students of History of Class XII-E got an opportunity to relive the history of Kashmere Gate and its adjoining areas.



Dr. Navina Jaffer, an eminent heritage consultant guided the students and elaborated the events of the Revolt of 1857.

Conquering Fears !

A Life-Skills Camp was organized for students of classes VII to XI at 'Chail' from 27th May '13 to 30th May '13. The students participated in various skill-based activities focusing upon capacity-building.



While students of Class IV & V experienced thrill at the Adventure Trip organized by Rocksport from 30th May '13 to 4th June '13 at Nainital. The students participated in various activities including river-crossing, rapelling, commando-net, zorbing, tarzan swing, etc.

Visit to Old Age Home



A visit to Geeta Mandir an Old Age Home in Rajendra Nagar was organized for Class XI Psychology students on 24th July '13 to sensitize them about the challenges faced by senior citizens.

Visit to Places of Worship



With the objective of inculcating respect for all religions in young learners, a visit to places of worship in Delhi like Birla Mandir, Nanaksar Gurudwara & the Sacred Heart Cathedral was organized for students of Class II.

Visit to Traffic Training Park



Students of Classes I & II visited the Traffic Training Park at Punjabi Bagh on 9th October '13, as an extended activity related to the E.V.S chapter on Road Safety. There the students learnt about road signs and signals, traffic rules and road safety measures.

Global Exposure

Grooming Responsible Global Citizens

Salwanians have been a part of Youththinkgreen International Environmental Initiative for the last two years. To consolidate the learning outcomes of the international initiative, ten students & two teachers participated in the 1st World Youth Sustainability Summit at Berlin, Germany from 10th to 20th May'13. Three hundred young climate ambassadors from thirty-two different countries participated in the Summit. They discussed vital environmental issues with an esteemed panel of experts. They participated in a Flashmob & performed the Youththinkgreen Summit Gala Song with ambassadors from 18 countries. They interacted with Mr. Peter Altmaier, Minister of Environment, Federal Republic of Germany.



Youththinkgreen Team India with Ms. Enrica Merica Melandri, Capacity Building & Outreach Officer, UNFCCC Secretariat.



Celebration of Unity in Diversity - Tree of Hope at Brandenburg Gate, Berlin

Imbibing Universal Consciousness ...

A group of 20 students of the Primary Wing, have been actively involved in the E-pals Programme in collaboration with Almandina Language Charter Academy, Alberta, Canada. Through e-mails, cross-cultural activities & video-conferencing, the programme aims at embedding a spirit of internationalism in the school. The young Salwanians shared information about the glorious & diverse culture of India with their e-pals. Fascinating tales of Gods & Goddesses were also shared with illustrative pictures. The Canadian students celebrated important Indian festivals in true Indian style! Deeply touched by the enthusiastic response, the Salwanians celebrated Calgary Stampede, a traditional festival of Canada on 30th April'13.



Enthusiastic Salwanians celebrating the spirit of Internationalism!



Students of Almandina Language Charter Academy, Alberta, Canada- Experiencing Indian Culture!