

HONOURING EXCELLENCE: STATE TEACHERS' AWARD 2023

Ms. Priyanka Barara, the Principal was honoured with the prestigious State Teachers' Award for the year 2023. This recognition was bestowed upon her during a grand ceremony held on 5 September 2023, as part of the Teachers' Day festivities at the iconic Thyagraj Stadium, Delhi. Ms. Barara's extraordinary dedication, wisdom, vision, and unwavering passion for the school have undoubtedly contributed to her receiving this esteemed accolade. The grand event was graced by the presence of Mr. Arvind Kejriwal, the Chief Minister of Delhi, and Ms. Atishi Marlena, the Education Minister, Government of NCT of Delhi.



RANDHAWA MEMORIAL DISTINGUISHED TEACHER AWARD 2023

Ms. Jyotsna Grover, the Vice Principal, was honoured with the prestigious Smt. Surrinder Randhawa Memorial Distinguished Teacher Award 2023 by the Salwan Education Trust. During the felicitation ceremony at Salwan Public School, Gurugram on 2 December 2023, she was presented with a citation and a cash reward of ₹ 50,000 by General Manoj Pande, PVSM, AVSM, VSM, ADC, the Chief of the Army Staff. Ms Grover has played a key role in shaping the revised CBSE English Course (Communicative) textbooks for Classes IX and X. Additionally, the CBSE Centre of Excellence, Delhi, has recognized her for conducting numerous Capacity Building Programmes across the country.



REDEFINING PEDAGOGY

Dr. Shilpa Raghuvanshi Chauhan, PGT Biotechnology, has demonstrated her expertise by securing the National Position in Vidya Amrit Mahotsav (VAM)-2022-23, showcasing her dedication to "Innovative Pedagogy". Her project, which uses the game of Stapoo to teach the structure of the heart, stood out among 5.99 lakh projects, representing Delhi as the sole participant and achieving Fourth Rank, nationwide. The inclusivity and engagement fostered by her affordable game design reflect a commendable approach to effective learning.



INTERNATIONAL SPEAKER AT THE PEER LEARNING CONFERENCE (LARNACA, CYPRUS)

Ms. Rashi Oberoi, the Head of the Primary Wing, was invited as a distinguished guest and international speaker at the Peer Learning Conference organised by the European Federation of Education Employers in Larnaca, Cyprus on 16 and 17 October 2023. This significant initiative is a part of the Education Employers Capacity Building Project, a collaborative effort co-funded by the European Union. The conference served as a platform for educators and leaders from across the globe to exchange path-breaking ideas and insights on various aspects of 21st century education. During the international conference, Ms. Rashi Oberoi shared her expertise on the topic, 'Effective School Management in the Twin Transition'. She shared valuable perspectives on sustainable initiatives, digital growth, and faculty well-being in the context of the Indian education system. Her contribution added a unique and insightful dimension to the global discourse on educational management. This recognition not only highlights the excellence of leadership at Salwan Public School, but also underscores the school's commitment to participating in international educational dialogues and contributing to the global advancement of education.



STRATEGIC LEADERSHIP FOR SCHOOLS IN A CHANGING ENVIRONMENT

Ms. Priyanka Barara, the Principal attended a prestigious five-day leadership programme at IIM Ahmedabad from 19 to 23 June 2023. The comprehensive training sessions delved into a wide range of topics, such as enhancing the academic climate, nurturing students' emotional well-being, integrating AI into school education, branding and positioning, and fostering innovation in school leadership, among others. The programme underscored the significance of implementing innovative practices to elevate the academic environment and support students' well-being, thereby fostering the growth and success of educational institutions.



PROFESSIONAL EXCELLENCE AWARD



Ms. Rekha Navani, PGT Commerce, was honoured with the Professional Excellence Award by the Commerce Teachers' Foundation. This recognition was bestowed in acknowledgment of the exceptional performance of her students in Business Studies in the CBSE Exams 2022-23. The felicitation ceremony took place at the India International Centre, Max Muller Marg, New Delhi on 1 October 2023.

PIONEERING PATHWAYS

Navya Sharma's Inspiring Journey in Stem Innovation and Empowerment

The extraordinary journey of Navya Sharma, a diligent Class XII student, epitomises the transformative potential of innovation and perseverance in the realm of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) education. Her groundbreaking project, "Socks Pairing Device for Visually Impaired," devised to empower the visually impaired, has garnered commendation and global recognition. Navya's journey commenced with her remarkable feat in the INSPIRE Manak Award District-Level Competition. Under the expert guidance of Dr. Shilpa Chauhan, PGT Biotechnology, her "Socks Pairing Device for Visually Impaired," integrating cutting-edge AI and machine vision technologies, aims to enhance independence and social inclusion for the visually



impaired. Her exceptional performance also secured funding of ₹10,000. Subsequently, she emerged as the Delhi State Winner, earning an invitation to IIT Delhi for prototype refinement after interactions with eminent scientists for national showcase. Her project claimed the top spot among 7.5 lakh projects in the INSPIRE Manak Award, receiving acclaim from Dr. Jitendra Singh, Honourable Minister of Science and Technology. This recognition propelled Navya's project onto the global stage, as it was among nine projects to represent India at the prestigious ASEAN SUMMIT 2023 in Langkawi, Malaysia.

An exclusive interaction with Ms. Smriti Irani, Minister of Women and Child Development of India, in the programme, *Nai Soch Nai Kahani with Smriti Irani*, provided Navya with a nationwide platform to share her inspiring journey on All India Radio, showcasing her unwavering determination and resilience. Continuing her stellar performance, Navya's project emerged as one of the top 100 projects nationwide at the IRIS National Fair 2023. Under Dr. Shilpa Chauhan's mentorship, her project received the esteemed 'Public Choice Project 2024' award from the Secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of Science & Technology, Department of Science & Technology, reaffirming its societal impact and technological innovation. Navya's dedication was further demonstrated at the India International Science Festival (IISF: 2023), where she actively contributed as an expert at the Students' Science Village. Navya Sharma's journey of achievement underscores the transformative power of innovation, paving the way for a future where technology serves as a tool for inclusivity and empowerment in society.

Link to the broadcast - [नई सोच - नई कहानी with Smriti Irani: Edition - 4 \(Women&Science\)](#)

NURTURING SUSTAINABLE VISION- ALL INDIA SCHOOL CONTEST-2023

Ms. Shivangi Walia, TGT Science, and Vidushi Bhardwaj of Class VIII H received an exclusive invitation to a momentous Felicitation Ceremony hosted by Amity International School, Noida. This prestigious recognition stems from their outstanding achievement in securing the top position in the Junior Category at the National Level of the All India School Contest-2023, organised by the Indian Centre for Plastic in the Environment (ICPE). The project stood out among seven thousand entries nationwide sparking discussions on creativity, innovation, and technology centred around the theme, 'Recycling of Plastic Waste'.



YOUTH IDEATHON 2023

The project 'Solution Seekers,' created by Class IX students, has been acknowledged as one of the top hundred in Youth Ideathon 2023. This prestigious festival for startup ideas, designed for school students by the CBSE, aims to nurture their entrepreneurial skills. Participants were challenged to identify societal issues and propose solutions under the theme, *Mera Idea Jo Badal De Bharat*. This achievement has earned the school the "School of Innovation Award", while Ms. Rekha Navani, PGT Business Studies, has been recognized with the "Teacher of Innovation Award".



IIHM TEACHERS' DAY AWARD

The International Institute of Hotel Management, Delhi and the International Hospitality Council, London hosted the Teachers' Day Award Ceremony on 16 September 2023 to honour extraordinary teachers for their exemplary service to the nation. The meritorious teachers and educators were felicitated in recognition of their remarkable contributions to the field of education. Ms. Mala Kapoor, PRT – English received the Teacher Par Excellence Award at the prestigious award ceremony.



GENETICS FOR GEN Z



Dr. Shilpa Raghuvanshi Chauhan, PGT Biotechnology, has been distinguished as one of the top forty educators nationwide in the "Promoting Innovative Practices and Experiments in Education for Schools and Teacher Education Institutions" programme. Her groundbreaking initiative focuses on reshaping the study of genetics for Class X students. In her innovative pedagogy programme "Genetics for Gen Z", she has incorporated four captivating games—Scrabble, Bean Bag Toss Game, Genflow, and Light and Length Game, to cultivate students' scientific curiosity and understanding.

SCERT CONTENT DEVELOPMENT

SCERT launched a project to showcase innovative teaching pedagogies practised by elementary school teachers. Ms. Deepika Sharma (Assistant Teacher) submitted two game-based group activities for upper primary classes. The innovative and engaging activities designed by her were selected for publication. For her commendable teaching practices, Ms. Deepika received a Certificate of Appreciation from DIET, Moti Nagar. This recognition is a testament to her passion and dedication.

