



# Podar International School, Gangaur Road, Nashik

## Annual Report

Academic Year 2024-25

The academic year 2024-25 at Podar International School has been a dynamic and enriching journey, featuring a variety of events aimed at fostering academic, personal, and social development. Here are the key highlights:

- 1. International Yoga Day (June 21, 2024)** International Yoga Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm. The event featured yoga sessions conducted by instructors, with participation from both students and staff who focused on physical and mental well-being, stress management, and overall wellness.
- 2. Inter-House Competitions**  
A series of competitions in sports, arts, and academics promoted teamwork, leadership, and school spirit, offering students opportunities to showcase their talents and develop new skills. It also encouraged school spirit among different houses, ensuring that every student had a platform to excel in.
- 3. Investiture Ceremony (14<sup>th</sup> September, 2024)** On the 20<sup>th</sup> June, elections were held, where all the students participated in voting for the new students council. New student leaders were inducted on 14<sup>th</sup> September, taking an oath to uphold values of integrity, service, and leadership, emphasizing responsibility and active participation in school life.
- 4. Welfare Programs for Girls and Boys**  
Welfare Programs for Girls and Boys focused on empowering students, these programs covered topics like gender equality, mental health, personal safety, hygiene, and career guidance, helping them navigate social and emotional challenges. This equipped them for success both in school and beyond.
- 5. Independence Day Celebration (August 15, 2024)** The school commemorated India's Independence Day with great reverence and pride. The ceremony was followed by a flag hoisting ceremony, cultural performances, and speeches, fostering patriotism and national pride among students.
- 6. Innovation Lab and Educational Workshops**  
The launch of the Innovation Lab fostered creativity and technological skills through workshops on



robotics, coding, and environmental sustainability, inspiring curiosity and critical thinking. It ignited the curiosity of students about the world of technology and innovation.

#### **7. Extempore and Exercises in Assembly**

To invoke confidence, good verbal skills, self esteem and time management in students, the school has initiated the conduction of class wise extempore in the assembly. To make the rest of the day ecstatic, we have also commenced with daily morning exercises, accompanied by zumba to make the rest of their day lively.

#### **8. 100% result**

We are thrilled to announce that our students from the 2023-24 academic year have achieved an outstanding 100% success rate in their 10th grade board exams!

This remarkable achievement reflects the hard work, dedication, and commitment of our students, teachers, and staff. We are incredibly proud of this milestone and look forward to even greater accomplishments in the future!

### **Event Highlights**

#### **April 2024: Welcoming the New Academic Year with Enthusiasm**

##### **1. Welcome Assembly (4th April 2024)**

The academic year began with a heartwarming Welcome Assembly, setting a positive tone for the year ahead. The event included inspirational speeches, a performance by the school choir, and an introduction to the upcoming cultural calendar.

##### **2. Gudi Padwa Special Assembly (8th April 2024)**

Our Gudi Padwa celebration honored the Maharashtrian New Year with traditional music, dance performances, and a special speech about the significance of the festival. Students enjoyed learning about the cultural importance of the day.

##### **3. Eid ul-Fitr Special Assembly (10th April 2024)**

The Eid ul-Fitr assembly brought the school together to celebrate the end of Ramadan. Students presented songs, dances, and shared knowledge about the significance of fasting, charity, and unity during this holy month.

##### **4. Ambedkar Jayanti (13th April 2024)**

On Dr. B.R. Ambedkar's birth anniversary, we organized a special assembly to celebrate his contributions to society. Students delivered speeches on Dr.

Ambedkar's vision for equality, education, and social justice.

##### **5. Ram Navami (16th April 2024)**

Ram Navami was celebrated with devotion and enthusiasm. The assembly included a special prayer, music performances, and a speech on the life and teachings of Lord Ram.

##### **6. Mahavir Jayanti (20th April 2024)**

A respectful assembly was held to honor Lord Mahavir's birth, highlighting his teachings of non-violence, truth, and compassion.

#### **May-June 2024: Empowerment and Awareness**

##### **7. Field Trip to Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University**

A highly educational field trip to the Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University allowed students to explore higher education facilities and engage in meaningful learning experiences.



8. **International Yoga Day (21st June 2024)**

The theme for IYD 2024 was *Women Empowerment*. The school organized a yoga session focusing on mental, physical, and spiritual wellness, followed by a discussion on how yoga empowers women to lead healthier lives. Students and staff participated with great enthusiasm.

9. **Eid ul-Adha (14th June 2024)**

The celebration of Eid ul-Adha involved prayers, a community gathering, and student performances that reflected the spirit of sacrifice, unity, and compassion.

**July 2024: Creativity, Competitions, and Reflection**

10. **House Competition: Theme – Ink and Imagination**

Students participated in creative challenges under the theme *Ink and Imagination*, which encouraged artistic expression and literary skills through storytelling, poetry, and visual arts.

11. **Reading Marathon (5th and 6th July 2024)**

Our school hosted a Reading Marathon to encourage the habit of reading. Students across grades participated in the event, where they read from a variety of books, followed by discussions and sharing of their favorite stories.

12. **Culminating Event (8th July 2024)**

The school year concluded with an exciting culmination event that showcased the talents of students in a grand celebration of art, music, dance, and drama.

13. **National Don't Step on the Bee Day (9th July 2024)**

Raising awareness about the importance of bees in maintaining ecological balance, the school conducted an informative session followed by activities to help students understand the role of bees in the environment.

14. **Play – Meghdoot (10th July 2024)**

A beautiful performance of *Meghdoot* was staged by students, bringing to life the emotional and poetic world of Kalidasa's famous play. The drama captured the essence of longing and love.

15. **World Population Day (11th July 2024)**

The school held a series of discussions and interactive sessions to raise awareness about population control and sustainability. Students presented their views on the importance of responsible population growth.

16. **National Simplicity Day (12th July 2024)**

A day dedicated to embracing simplicity was celebrated with various activities focused on reducing materialism and encouraging a mindful, minimalist approach to life.

17. **Guru Purnima Program (22nd July 2024)**

The school paid tribute to teachers and mentors on Guru Purnima. Students expressed their gratitude through poems, songs, and speeches, reflecting the importance of education in their lives.

**August-September 2024: National Pride and Celebrations**

18. **Greeting Card Making, Drawing Competition**

Students participated in creative competitions, including greeting card making and drawing, which helped them express their thoughts and emotions through art.

19. **Essay Writing Competition**

An essay writing competition was held where students wrote on diverse topics ranging from social issues to environmental concerns. This allowed them to develop their writing skills and critical thinking.



20. **Kargil Diwas and Earth Day (26th July 2024)**  
A special assembly honored the brave soldiers of Kargil and raised awareness about environmental sustainability. The students actively participated in discussions and pledged to protect the planet.
21. **Independence Day (15th August 2024)**  
Independence Day was celebrated with patriotic fervor, including flag hoisting, speeches, cultural performances, and a tribute to the heroes of India's independence movement.
22. **Teachers' Day Fun Element (9th September 2024)**  
A fun-filled Teachers' Day celebration was organized with games, performances, and gifts for teachers. Students took the stage to entertain and honor their beloved educators.
23. **Ladoo Making Competition (6th September 2024)**  
A traditional ladoo-making competition encouraged students to showcase their culinary skills while learning about the importance of festivals and food in our culture.

#### **October-November 2024: Festivals, Fun, and Music**

24. **Dance Competition**  
A highly energetic dance competition saw students showcasing their talents in various dance forms, from classical to contemporary. The event was a grand success, filled with enthusiasm and creativity.
25. **Music Competition**  
The music competition brought out the musical talents of our students. From classical melodies to modern compositions, students presented their skills in vocal and instrumental performances.
26. **FM Interview of Principal Sir and Teachers**  
A special FM interview was broadcast where Principal Sir and teachers shared their experiences, thoughts, and aspirations for the school. It was an engaging and insightful interaction.
27. **Garba Night**  
The festive spirit was alive during our Garba Night, where students and teachers came together to dance to the beats of dandiya. The event was a joyous celebration of community and tradition.
28. **Music Day Program**  
In celebration of *World Music Day*, the school organized a musical extravaganza, showcasing performances by students, from instrumental to vocal renditions.

#### **December 2024: Innovation and Closure**

29. **Council Members Meetings**  
Regular meetings with the school council helped us to align on upcoming events, address student concerns, and ensure the smooth running of cultural activities throughout the year.
30. **Miracle Mystery Box**  
A fun and engaging event, the *Miracle Mystery Box*, challenged students with puzzles and riddles, stimulating their problem-solving skills in an interactive way.
31. **Ganapati Celebration**  
The school celebrated Ganesh Chaturthi with a special assembly and cultural performances. Students crafted eco-friendly Ganesh idols and offered prayers for the well-being of the school and its community.



## Sports Program for the Academic Year 2024-25

Podar International School's sports program stands as a testament to our commitment to fostering holistic development. This annual report delves into the myriad athletic activities and achievements that characterized the academic year 2024-25. Our school's dedication to sports extends beyond physical fitness; it encompasses the cultivation of essential life skills such as teamwork, discipline, perseverance, and leadership. Through rigorous training, strategic planning, and unwavering support, our student-athletes have consistently strived for excellence both on and off the field. From inter-school competitions to intra-school events, our athletes have demonstrated dedication, passion, and skill.

This report offers a comprehensive overview of our sports program, highlighting key moments, significant achievements, and valuable lessons learned. It celebrates the triumphs of our teams and acknowledges the individual efforts of our athletes, and expresses gratitude to our dedicated coaches, parents, and staff, whose unwavering support has been instrumental in our success. We remain committed to building upon these successes, addressing future challenges, and fostering a vibrant and inclusive sports culture that empowers our students to reach their full potential. By reflecting on the intricacies of our sports program, we aim to inspire future generations of athletes and continue to elevate the standards of sports excellence at P.I.S Gangapur. Each month, we conducted sports events to keep our students energized and refreshed. In June, we organized an inter-house football competition. Football promotes cardiovascular fitness, requires constant movement, and enhances strategic thinking, as players must make quick decisions under pressure. In July, our school participated in the Subroto Cup and table tennis competitions, securing 1st place in table tennis and qualifying for the district competition, where we earned 2nd position.

In August, we arranged inter-house chess and carrom competitions. Chess helps students understand the consequences of their actions and improves analytical thinking. Dnyanada Kashyape student of grade 10<sup>th</sup> has secured 2<sup>nd</sup> position in chess competition. In September, October, and November, we participated in various D.S.O. Match and set-up inter-house cricket and tug-of-war competition. AND, what truly made the 2024 season special was the incredible support from our community. Together, we've made this season one to remember. As we look ahead to the next year, we are more committed than ever to foster a sense of unity and pride within our sports program. Our athletes have risen to new heights, and the energy from our community has been nothing short of inspiring. From championship title to individual records, but the most important achievement is the growth we've seen in our athletes as both competitors and individuals. With a renewed sense of purpose, we will aim to push past our limits and reach new heights. We look forward to another exciting and successful year.

## Conclusion

In conclusion, the year has been a testament to our commitment to a well-rounded education that nurtures academic excellence, personal growth, and social responsibility. Through these diverse events, students have developed the skills and values needed to become responsible, compassionate, and innovative individuals.

This academic year has been an exciting journey filled with a diverse range of cultural events that have enriched the school community. From traditional celebrations to creative competitions, the students have demonstrated remarkable participation and enthusiasm.