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# Newsletter

## Articles



## Articles

### A LOAD FOR KIDS

Principal says,  
 Just study, study and study  
 We say  
 Be naughty, naughty and naughty  
 Teacher says  
 Write, write and write  
 We say  
 Just fight, fight and fight  
 Mother says  
 Learn, learn and learn  
 We say  
 Just do fun, fun and fun  
 Father says  
 Work, work and work  
 We say  
 Just do chirp, chirp and chirp  
 But this studying, learning, writing is all for  
 our betterment ,so that we can have a per-  
 fect  
 settlement.

### IT WAS BRIGHT SUNNY DAY

It was bright sunny day  
 Where the wind was on its way,  
 The nature blew the whistle  
 To the seashores miles away,  
 The forest was thick and dark  
 Where the wolves howl and bark,  
 The birds fly high in the sky  
 Where the clouds say hi and bye,  
 It was bright sunny day  
 Where the wind was on its way,  
 The grass was lush and green  
 Where the cows and goats eat and lean,  
 The bees were both tired, robust and busy  
 For making sweet, sticky and mouth watering  
 honey,  
 It was bright sunny day  
 Where the wind was on its way,  
 The sun ended the day  
 And the wind was back on its way,  
 But the nature blew the  
 Whistle to the seashores miles away.

### MY HERO

I have a hero in my life  
 Who is so strong for me,  
 Who is always working  
 harder  
 Whenever I see,  
 He always takes care of me  
 And satisfies all my needs,  
 He comes running after me to  
 make me feel secure and glee,  
 Neither superman nor batman  
 Not spider either,  
 The only hero in my life  
 Is my 'FATHER'.

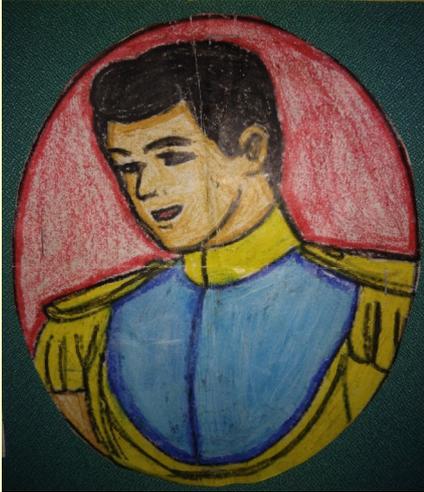
### MY MOTHER

Mother is the one who takes care  
 of us  
 She is the one, who gave a hug  
 first,  
 She is always with us.  
 Mother is the one who cooks food  
 She is the one, who helps to  
 complete notes,  
 She is so beautiful and looks like  
 an queen,  
 Her chores are never finishing.  
 Let's give her a rest and work for  
 her.  
 Yes we got success,  
 We love you mother.

### THE VEGETABLE SONG

Vegetables, vegetables  
 Fresh and tasty,  
 They keep us strong  
 And makes us healthy.  
 On plants and creepers  
 They are found  
 Some of them grow  
 Under the ground.  
 Eat! Eat! Vegetables  
 Every day  
 To be cheerful  
 Throughout the day.

# Art Corner



Ved Kadam  
(Std—VI)



Hardika Gundecha  
(Std—VII)



Anvita Desai  
(Std—IV)



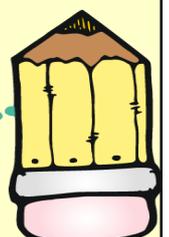
Niyati Patel  
(Std—II Atlantic)



Rashi Gundecha  
(Std—VI)



Ved Kadam  
(Std—VI)



## Events

### I.E. - Marine Marvels

To generate curiosity about the upcoming theme Marine Marvels, The Jumpstart Event was organized in the school on Monday, 24th July 2018. This theme has been designed for the students to make them understand about the mesmerizing treasure beneath the surface of the oceans. The students of Grades I and II were busy in identifying the animals found in land and water as well as marine animals.

The students of Grade III to VII thought of their favourite things about ocean as a part of the activity- What I like about Oceans! They got an opportunity to express their opinions about the things that can be done to save the ocean. Through these activities, all the students enjoyed the beginning of a treasure trove of new discoveries.



***“To catch the reader's attention, place an interesting sentence or quote from the story here.”***

## I.E. - Times Gone By



the upcoming theme – ‘TIMES GONE BY - A Treasure Trove of History’ on Monday, 22nd October 2018. The focus of this theme is to make the students comprehend the changing scenario from the past to the present. Grade wise activities were planned to immerse them in the process of exploring the theme. To understand the concept of timelines, the students of grade I arranged events sequentially. The students of Grade II, IV and V compared the things “Then and Now” with a Venn diagram. ‘Find your Pair’ activity was arranged for the students of Grade III to find the then and now of the items. By reviewing the past, students of Grade VI thought of the events and social issues that they would like to modify. The students of Grade VII got an opportunity to revive one thing from the past. Through these activities, the students could comprehend the broad concept of history which has affected every one as a whole.



## GIVING BACK 'A PODAR VOLUNTEER PROGRAMME'-2019



From 26<sup>th</sup> February to 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019, 'Giving Back, a Podar Volunteer Programme' was collocated by Podar International School, Ratnagiri to upheave awareness about the underprivileged people who can't meet their daily requirements.

The students of Grade I to IV and Grade V to VII generously contributed stationary materials and food grains respectively.

The programme offered a variety of opportunities for the students. Through this contribution, students extended helping hands, understanding the need to initiate change and making a difference in the society.

## MARATHI DIWAS



27<sup>th</sup> February is observed as Marathi Diwas. To mark the importance of this day, a special assembly was organized by Aqua House on account of Marathi Literature icon's Birth Anniversary Shri Vaman Vishnu Shirwadkar.

The assembly commenced by cantillating the orison. The students ravishingly explained the importance of regional language in one's life. There were tricky idioms and poem recitation rendered by the students which connected the students to the affluent heritage and language within the deep land of soil of our state. A Bharatnatyam dance was performed which jingled everybody's mood.

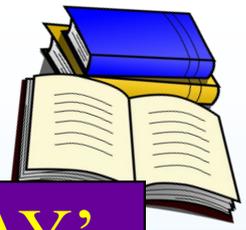
The assembly ended with teachers treatise that told a story of how an illiterate, rich from inside turned out to be one of the best poets in Maharashtra.



## ‘EXPRESS YOURSELF’

On 31<sup>st</sup> of October, 2018, students carved more about the past under the theme ‘Times Gone By,’ express yourself activity. The students of grade I and II participated in ‘Show and tell’ activity in which they had to tell about their own tiny world. The students of grade III and IV made their time capsule with letters, gifts, photographs etc. The students of grade V to VI explained their past by ‘Decoding pictures’ activity. The students of grade VII told their life story so far.





## ‘READING INSPIRATION DAY’

15<sup>th</sup> October, 2018 was observed as ‘Reading Inspiration day’ in the school on the birth anniversary of president of India Dr. A.P.J Abdul Kalam.

Different competitions were held such as storytelling (grades I-IV) in which students had to present story, an essay writing competition and book binding competition (V-VII) in which they had to combine all stories into one book.

An article was presented on the significance of reading. The students participated whole heartedly.



# ‘FOODIES FORUM’

House competition ‘Foodies Forum’ was held on 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2019 under the theme, ‘Farm to Fork.’

The theme inculcated in students the value of food they eat and the different type food which reaches their plates.

The students from Grade III to VII participated in this competition. Each house got two topics to prepare and present the recipe. At last, they were given only one opportunity to ask a question to whichever team they wanted.

It helped the students to improve in presentation skills, quick reflex, cooking and improved the basic knowledge which students had.



# ART ACTIVITY

To bring out creativity among the students, Podar International School, Ratnagiri organised a 'Drawing and Colouring' art event, for classes I to VII as well as for teaching staff on 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2018. Grades of I-IV drew their favourite television cartoons whereas students of grade V-VII drew political cartoons giving social message. This event nurtured creativity, imagination and power of invention among students.



## CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

“Peace on Earth will come to stay, when we live Christmas every day.” Podar International School, Ratnagiri celebrated Christmas on 22<sup>nd</sup> December, 2018 with great ebullience. The entire school crooned the Christmas carols. The Christmas tree was decked beautifully which grabbed everyone’s attention on the school ground. A special assembly was organized by the students of Terra house which began with a Christmas prayer, students prayed God for his blessings and universal peace.

The students of terra house were dressed up in Christmas attire. An article was accomplished by a student about the significance of celebrating Christmas. Students were enlightened by the teacher’s article about the true essence of Christmas.

The function came to an end with a delicious chocolate cake. Students understood the real power of compassion and forgiveness. The joy of this festival was visible on the faces of children easily.



# FOUNDATION DAY

Podar International School, Ratnagiri celebrated its first Foundation Day program on 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2018. The celebration began with Saraswati Pujan.

In this event, the campaign of 'Humanity Corner' was just the cherry on the cake, where students donated their old clothes to the needy people. The grandparents of the old age home were entertained and presented gifts by V, VI & VII grades students. The art, craft and fun activities were enjoyed by the students of I-IV.

The activity was filled with frolic and fun.



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**SPECIAL ASSEMBLY 'GANESH CHATURTHI'**

On special occasion of Ganesh Chaturthi, a special assembly was held by students of Aqua house on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> September, 2018. The assembly began with a hymn. Ganpathi 'Sthapana', 'Pujan' and 'Visarjan' was conducted. Students also performed a devotional dance praising Lord Ganesh. The teacher addressed the assembly by explaining the importance and rituals of Ganesh Chaturthi.



# GURU NANAK JAYANTI

The Guru Nanak Jayanti that is the birth anniversary of Guru Nanak was celebrated by Podar International School, Ratnagiri on 22<sup>nd</sup> of November, 2018 with great ebullience. This auspicious program was started by Shabad Kirthan 'En Onkar Satnaam' and was followed by a really wonderful thought.

A holy atmosphere was created by the students who sung the Shabaad. Students enlightened everyone by the significance of Guru Purab also information about various rituals regarding the festival was given.

The colourful attire and the presentation by students were as perfect as a picture and every aspect of the festival was wonderfully depicted. Everyone who witnessed this program learnt to follow the right path of Sewa shown by Almighty.

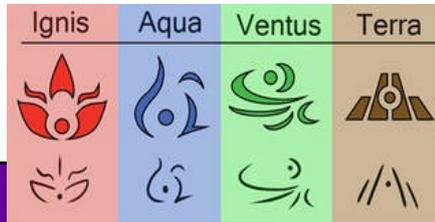


## INDIAN NAVY DAY.

Indian Navy protects the marine borders of India. To celebrate Indian navy's achievement and the launch of 'Operation Triden', Podar International School, Ratnagiri celebrated the Indian Navy Day to pay a tribute to Indian Navy on 4<sup>th</sup> December, 2018.

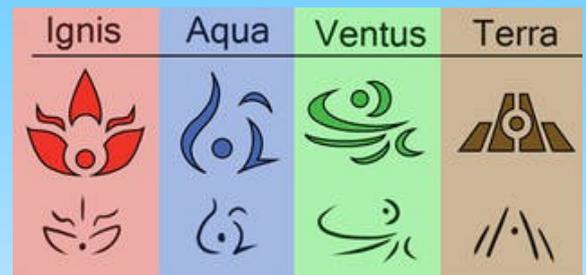
Students presented the skit through which they threw light on the qualities required for joining the force. The life of navy officers was highlighted through this skit. The students were really inspired by the way the Indian Navy protects the coastline of India with courage, glory and honour. It filled the young hearts with pride.





## HOUSE-WISE QUIZ COMPETITION

House-Wise Quiz Competition was organized on 1<sup>st</sup> September, 2018 as a theme of Marine Marvels. The competition comprised of 4 rounds including 'Question and Answers', 'Rapid Fire', 'Buzzer' and 'The Tie Breaker.' All the students were as quick as lightning and were fair and square. The questions focused on Marine Life helped the students to develop critical thinking. The competition ended with glory for Aqua house as it won the competition.



TARANG



## Annual Day– Spandan



On 2nd February 2019, students of Podar International School, Ratnagiri celebrated Spandan 2019 – 2nd Annual Day Function with great enthusiasm and zeal.

Mr. Vishal Gaikwad, Additional Superintendent of Police presided over the occasion as the Chief Guest along with the esteemed Guest Honour.

The programme started off with a welcome song. The panel of dignitaries were welcomed by our Principal, Mr. Girish Kumar which was followed by the auspicious lamp lighting ceremony and the welcome dance performance of Bharatnatyam and kathak simultaneously.

Head Boy Master Prarambh Chaturvedi and the Head Girl Ms. Princy

Sawant presented the school Annual Report 2018-19.

It highlighted the achievements of the school and the mile stones achieved by the students during the last academic session 2018-19.

The Prize Distribution Ceremony felicitated and recognised the talent of students who brought laurels to the school in various fields like Academics, Art and sports etc.

Parents were recognised for their whole hearted contribution, support and motivation as Star Parents of the Class.

Committed Prefect and devoted students with 100% attendance were felicitated for their leadership and excellent record of attendance and punctuality respectively. The outstanding efforts of the Support Staff were also acknowledged.

Principal Mr. Girish Kumar and the Chief Guest Mr. Vishal Gaikwad addressed the gathering.

The rare, traditional art of Povada, Glorifying the heroic acts of Chattrapati Shivaji Maharaj was a treat to the eyes.

The theme for the Annual Day was ‘The Adventures of the Magical Crowns,’ which was presented meticulously by students from Grade I to VII. The journey showcased the diverse culture of varied countries which binds us all together.

Finally, the vote of Thanks was delivered by the school Vice Head Boy Master Harsha Pujari and Vice Head Girl Miss Siddhi Kelkar. The venue reverberated with thunderous applause, gleaming faces, mind blowing lighting and fire crackers as audience witnessed the perfection and extravaganza of the show.





## Annual Sports Meet

Podar International School, Ratnagiri celebrated its second Annual Sports Meet, 'Udaan' on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 2018.

The function began with the hoisting of the school flag by honourable Chief Guest, Mr. Milind Dixit, a District Sports Officer of Ratnagiri and Principal, Mr. Girish Kumar. It was followed by lightning of the torch which symbolizes sportsmanship. The march past performed by the Aqua, Ignis, Ventus and Terra house as well as the drills displayed by the PJK & PIS students both were an eye of candy in the entire function.

In final sports, all students took part in various races like: Relay, Sprint, Running, Obstacles and Fun races. All of them were the cream of crop of their own. In the Prize Distribution Ceremony, the sport event winners were given medals by the Chief Guest and the Principal.

At the end of the ceremony, the vote of thanks was delivered by the Sports Captain boy and girl.



# RAKSHA BANDHAN

To celebrate the eternal bond between brothers and sisters, Podar International School, Ratnagiri celebrated the festival of Raksha Bandhan on 25<sup>th</sup> August, 2018.

The program began with a special assembly organized by the students of Ventus house. Students beautifully recited a song on Raksha Bandhan and enacted the rituals to be followed on this day.



# Republic day

The Republic Day is a remarkable day in every Indian's life as India's constitution came into force on 26<sup>th</sup> January, 1950.

The 70<sup>th</sup> Republic day was celebrated in Podar International School, Ratnagiri on 26<sup>th</sup> January 2019. The Principal unfurled the national flag. The flag song was sung by the teachers. The students performed various cultural programme which commenced with welcome dance of Bharat Natyam and Kathak. Later, the students of Grade VI and VII performed a skit which highlighted the essence of Republic day celebration. The students were fascinated to discover how and why navy and army have different types of salutes. The students of Grade I presented the traditional dance of Bhagoli Bihu- Harvest festival of Assam.

The Principal addressed the students about the diverse culture and traditions and the relevance to practice what we preach. He reiterated the need for being responsible and resolute on our paths to achieve our goals and strive together to build a prosperous nation.



# Makar Sankranti

Makar Sankranti is an auspicious festival dedicated to Lord Surya, which falls on January 14<sup>th</sup>. This is the festival of harvesting, kites and charity and is also celebrated throughout India with joy and glory. It marks the beginning of spring.

The students of Podar International School, Ratnagiri organised a special assembly on 14<sup>th</sup> January, 2019 giving out the message no matter which region or state we come from, we all are Indians and we should proudly enjoy and celebrate festivals. The thought told us the importance of positive attitude in life. The article highlighted the importance of Makar Sankranti across the country and its different names such as Makar Sankranti, Pongal, Khichadi, etc. The students also understood the food tradition followed on this day. This was followed by kite flying activity which celebrated the spirit of Makar Sankranti. The students flew the colourful kites. The kite flying activity was indeed a joyful experience.



## FIELD TRIP TO RATNADURG FORT

The world today we live in was shaped by the masses who have lived before us. The theme “Times Gone By” aims students to explore time. In order to acquaint students with the historical sites of Ratnagiri, a field trip was planned for the students for grade I to VII to Ratnadurg fort [Bhagawati Mandir] on Saturday 17 November 2018. It is one of oldest structures of Ratnagiri and archeological sites. This is horse shoe shaped fort which has an area of 1300 x 1000m. There is a light house at a distance of 15 km which guides the ships. In 1670, Shivaji Maharaj won the fort from the hands of Adilshah at Bijapur. There is a beautiful temple of Goddess Bhagawati inside the fort. This field trip was indeed a wonderful experience for the Students.



# CHILDREN'S DAY CELEBRATION

The Children's Day special assembly was organized on 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2018 as tribute to "Chacha Nehru" and his love for children.

The assembly began with prayer, thought and an article on Children's Day, mime acts and dance performance. The humorous mine act performed by teachers left the students in laughter. Students tapped their feet as they watched their teachers dance on their favourite song. The Principal Mr. Girish Kumar shared the importance of Children's Day. The assembly was a success showing the love and care for students and also how children are valuable for teachers. The children were gifted smiley balls signed by their respective class teachers and sweet dish. The days programme compiled games like musical chair, four corners, passing the ring etc. It was a golden chance for the teachers to showcase their talent, while they attempted to entertain the students. It was a fun filled day for students, which would always be cherished as a fond memory.



# Janmashtami

On account of Janmashtami, the students of Terra house organised a special assembly on Tuesday, 4 September 2018. The assembly commenced with school prayer followed by a thought. The students lighted up the stage and mesmerised the audience by performing a Marathi folk dance. A student presented an article highlighting Lord Krishna's childhood and importance of dahihandi. The teachings of Lord Krishna were explained by a teacher with reference to the Bhagvat Gita.



# WORLD WATER WEEK

To focus our attention on importance of water International World Water Week is observed every year. To mark the significance of World Water Week, a special assembly was held on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> August, 2018 by the students of Ignis house. The assembly began with prayer thanking god for giving a precious gift-water. The teacher addressed students highlighting the need to conserve water. A story of young boy emphasizing the need to make difference in conserving water was narrated and same was enacted by the students. The assembly ended with a pledge to conserve water.





# INDEPENDENCE DAY

The school commemorated 72<sup>nd</sup> Independence Day with great enthusiasm on Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> August 2018. The flag was hoisted at 8:30 am in the school in the presence of Principal, teachers, parents and students.

The programme began with an inspiring and energetic song - 'Ae Watan, Mere Watan' by the school choir. The students of Grade VI and VII presented a skit-'A tribute to an Indian soldier' to highlight the sacrifice of a soldier-a real hero. To charge up the atmosphere with patriotic zeal, the students performed a dance. The Principal addressed the gathering with his kind words of inspiration. The investiture ceremony of PIS, Ratnagiri for the academic year 2018-2019 was held with dignity and glory. The event was presided over by the Principal of the school. The newly elected Head Boy, Head Girl, Vice Head Boy, Vice Head Girl, Sports Captains, Cultural Captains, Literary Captains, School Editors and House Captains as well as Vice House captains were conferred with badges by their parents and Principal. The Head Boy and Head Girl were handed over with flag by the Principal as a mark of responsibility. All the housemasters also handed over the house flags to their responsible house captains. The students' council took the pledge to uphold the mission, vision, and values of the school with high-esteem. The event concluded with the speeches of newly elected Head Boy and Head Girl.

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## Achievements



**Anvika Amol Garde - 1<sup>st</sup> position (District Level)  
4th Ratnagiri District Speed Roller Skating Championship-2018 organized by Skating Association of Ratnagiri in Quad Race (Rink-I 300m, Rink-II 500m (II)),  
for the age group 8- 10 years.**



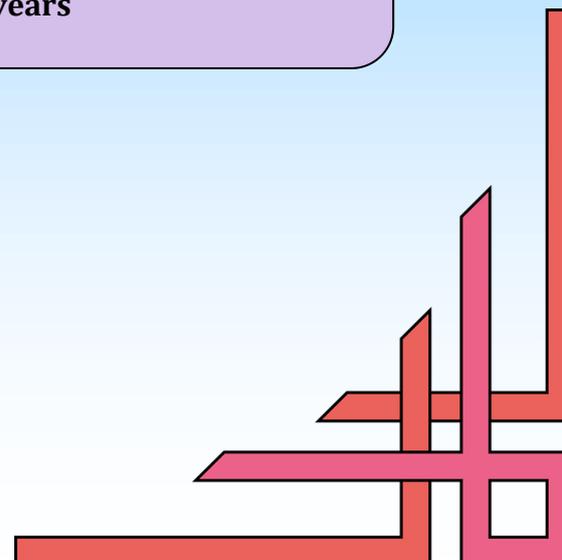
**Avantika Prashant Tilekar – 2<sup>nd</sup> position Inter School  
Drawing competition held by Raj Mata Multistate co-  
operative credit society limited**



**Master Safwan Essak Memon  
From Grade III  
Secured 3<sup>rd</sup> Position at District Level Fencing Championship Organized by Maharashtra Fencing Association.**



**Harshal Zore  
Gold medal in Inter - school Intra School Karate Championship organised by Mirkar Martial Arts and Sports Academy in individual Kumite event, category  
8 to 10 years**





## Achievements



**Shikhar Kothari**

**Bronze medal – Taekwondo Championship 2018 ,  
under weight category 35-38 kg, Taluka level, organ-  
ized by District Sports Office and Association of Taek-**



**Aditya Manoj Gundecha - 1<sup>st</sup> position (District Level)  
4th Ratnagiri District Speed Roller Skating Champi-  
onship-2018 organized by Skating Association of Rat-  
nagiri in Quad Race (Rink-I 300m,Rink-II 500m  
(II),Road-I 500m) for the age group 6 - 8 years.**

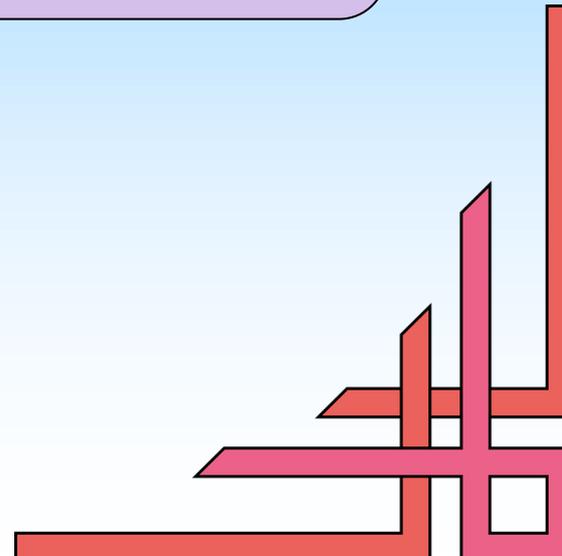


**Chirag Gundecha**

**Bronze medal at Taekwondo Championship 2018 ,  
under weight category 35-38 kg, Taluka level, organ-  
ized by District Sports Office and Association of  
Taekwondo.**



**Rashi Mukesh Gundecha 1<sup>st</sup> position (District Level)  
4th Ratnagiri District Speed Roller Skating Champi-  
onship-2018 organized by Skating Association of  
Ratnagiri in Quad Race (Rink-I 300m,Rink-II  
500m,Road-I 500m) for the age group 10-12 years.**





## Achievements



**Neel Nityanand Bhute**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> position (Taluka Level)**  
**Swimming Competition organized by Government Swimming Pool, Salvi Stop, Ratnagiri in freestyle 50m for the boys age group 5-10 years**



**Chaitanya Sujata Kadam**  
**1<sup>st</sup> position (Taluka Level)**  
**Swimming Competition organized by Government Swimming Pool, Salvi Stop, Ratnagiri in freestyle 50m age group 5 - 10 years**



**Niraja Ranjit Keshari**  
**Gold & Bronze medal Ratnagiri District Judo Championship Competition organized by Ratnagiri Jilha Haushi Judo Sanghatana, Guhagar for sub junior District championship , under 36 weight category.**



**Purva Bajrang Chavan- From Grade III Alps**  
**Secured 3<sup>rd</sup> Position in 2nd Open National Judo Championship 2018-19 organized by Judo Association of MHA (Maharashtra) at Pune in -28kg Girl's sub junior age group. (Bronze Medal)**





## Achievements



**Miss Siddhi Shripad Kelkar**  
From Grade VI  
Secured 3<sup>rd</sup> Position at 17<sup>th</sup> Ratnagiri District Judo  
Championship Competition ( Under 15 years, 36 kg  
weight category)



**Miss Neha Yatin Pujari**  
From Grade VI  
Secured 3<sup>rd</sup> Position at 17<sup>th</sup> Ratnagiri District Judo  
Championship Competition ( Under 15 years, 33 kg  
weight category)



**Mohd. Farhaan Meman** - From Grade V secured  
3<sup>rd</sup> position (National)  
4<sup>th</sup> Goa open all India Karate Champion-  
ship. Organised by World Funakoshi Shotokan Karate  
Organisation. Age group category 10 years boys.



**Raj Swapnil Kadam** - From Grade IV  
Secured 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Position in 24<sup>th</sup> Asian/International  
WFSKO open Karate Championship Organised by  
World Funakoshi Shotokan Karate Organisation  
(Kata & Kumite)





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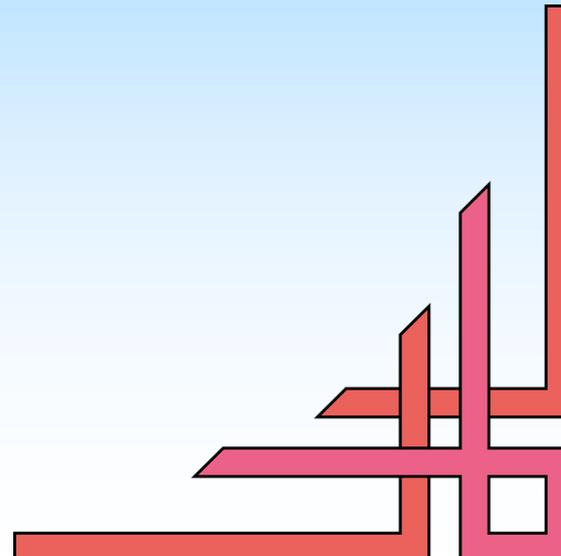
**Miss Shravani Swapnil Khatavkar - From Grade VI  
Secured 3<sup>rd</sup> Position at District Level Sea Swimming  
Competition Organized at Mandavi During Mandavi  
Tourism Festival.**



**Master Sufiyan Essak Memon  
From Grade VII  
Secured 1<sup>st</sup> Position at District Level Fencing  
Championship Organized by Maharashtra Fencing  
Association.**



**Miss Shravani Swapnil Khatavkar - 1<sup>st</sup> position  
(Taluka Level)  
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**Master Vedant Patil**  
From Grade III Alps  
Secured 1<sup>st</sup> Position at District Level Fencing  
Championship Organized by Maharashtra Fencing  
Association.



**Miss Jagruti Sanjay Masurkar**  
From Grade VI  
Secured 1<sup>st</sup> Position at 17<sup>th</sup> Ratnagiri District Judo  
Championship Competition  
( Under 15 years, 48 kg weight category)



**Congratulations!!**





# Achievements

CONGRATS

## School Award

