

# Podar International School, Sangli

## Annual Report 2020-21

### Achievement 2020-21

- 1) Anwasya khaire I Topaz received 2 Gold medals in U 12 The youth shoto kan karate competition.
- 2) Anwaya khaire I Topaz 1bronze model in the same
- 3) Miss. Kashvee shah. Grade VII Multi district Badminton championship 2021(Jayant Trophy) U 15 doubles got runner up

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8) Ms. Tanishka Brahmarkar from I Topaz had participated in the International level Abacus competition organised by Math Magic Hub and received this prize.

9) Master Parth Kumbhar studying in Class VII participated in National Level Online Examination of Vidyarthi Vigyan Manthan and secured the first rank in the entire Sangli district .

### Teachers Achievements

Mr. Prashant Bhate, our music teacher, was awarded the 'Innovative Teacher Award - 2020' for his introduction of new and creative ideas which made learning much more interesting for students.

Mr.Sachin Mane Sir and Mrs.Vidya Awate Mam were awarded as the Leaders of the year 2020-21 for their untiring efforts and dedication towards the betterment of the school.

### **Initiatives**

1. Introduction of Augmented Reality in teaching methods- technology is being used to engage and gain the attention of students in learning.
2. Weekly competitions like Artist of the week, Storyteller of the week, Mathematician of the week, and Student of the week.
3. Podar Podcast is another example of one of the initiatives undertaken by the school. They are a great help to students in their studies and learning.
4. teacher's Blog - The blogs are based on the latest developments taking place in the respective subjects that the teacher teaches. This initiative increases their knowledge database and helps the teachers to connect real world examples to textbook concepts.

### **School Events**

#### **Vaghyud Debate Competition**

It was conducted by Detroit MUN on 26-27 July 2020. The format for this competition was Asian parliamentary debate. The team Alpha, the members being Niharika Sonalkar, Atharv Mane and Revati Kadam; qualify to the quarter-finals round.

#### **Late Housabai Magdum State Level Online Debate Competition**

On 14th August 2020, a debate competition was held by Late.Mrs.Housabai J. Magdum Public High School and Secondary School, Nimshirgaon on the occasion of the 8th Death Anniversary of Dr.J. J. Magdum. It was held online on the Zoom app. Students from many schools had participated. Ms. Niharika S. Sonalkar from class X and Ms. Riya P. Kulkarni from class X secured 1st position and a cash prize of Rs. 1,500. In Group A (Class V and VI) Mr. Aditya Raj Aware and Mr. Harsh Shetty secured 2nd rank and a cash prize of Rs. 1,000.

## **UNISON Karad speech and debate competition**

In the month of April, grade X students participated in an online speech and debate competition conducted by UNISON Karad. The speech competition was conducted in various levels and participants had to deliver a two-minute speech on the chosen topic. Miss. Aaryaa Chitale bagged the first prize in the speech competition and Miss. Riya Kulkarni bagged the third position

## **Student Council Elections 2020**

The students and teachers get to vote for the representatives contesting for several different posts, like, Head boy, Head girl, Assistant Head boy, Assistant Head girl, Editor, Assistant Editor, Sports head, Assistant Sports head, Cultural head and Assistant Cultural head.

Head Boy- Tanishq Wagh  
Asst. Head Boy- Ruchir Bharadwaj  
Head Girl- Aaryaa Chitale  
Asst. Head Girl- Ankita Shinde  
Editor-Riya Kulkarni  
Asst. Editor- Aryan Pattanshetti  
Sports Head- Harsh Phadke  
Asst. Sports Head- Abhishek Waghmare  
Cultural Head- Tanvi Mehta  
Asst. Cultural Head- Nirmal Hatti

## **Independence Day Celebrations**

Podar International School celebrated this 74th Independence Day virtually. The flag hoisting ceremony was broadcasted live through Facebook at 8:30 a.m. This was followed by a celebration through a zoom session, hosted by respective class teachers. Students gave speeches, sang patriotic songs, recited poems and expressed their feelings towards the nation.

**Online Safety quiz** was conducted to create awareness about online e-safety among the students of Grades V to X, we have shared "Cyber Safety" self-study eresources.

## **Ganesh Utsav**

22 August 2020 Ganesh Chaturthi was celebrated in Podar International School Sangli by teachers and the Student Council. Ganapati Bappa was welcomed in the school with

the melodious sound of Dhol and Tasha Beats. After 4 days on 26th August, the Ganapati Visarjan was done in an ecofriendly way in the school premises.

### **Investiture Ceremony**

On 3rd September 2020, the investiture ceremony for the student council of 2020-21 was conducted virtually on zoom and was also webcast live on the school's Facebook page. The investiture ceremony is the time when the newly elected student council is inducted and bestowed with blessings by the teachers, parents and principal.

### **Teacher's Day Celebrations**

Teachers Day as a day to express respect and gratitude that teachers deserve. The students of Podar International School, Sangli organized a Virtual Party to express their gratitude to teachers. This year students from Grade X and X played the role of student teachers. Students took up the charges of different classes but, virtually. The classes conducted by the student teachers were followed by games. These games were held virtually, as well. The student council divided the teachers into various groups and these groups enjoyed playing 'Antakshari' and 'Bingo' in their respective zoom meeting rooms.

### **Hindi Diwas**

On 14th September 1949, Hindi was accepted as one of the two official languages of our young country. Since that day, every year 14th September is celebrated as 'Hindi Diwas' throughout the nation. This is a day where we acknowledge the importance of Hindi as one of our national languages and how it is a glue that binds all the people in our country though from different cultures or places. During virtual classes, teachers conducted speech competitions, art showcases and even music performances as a form of expression of respect and gratitude towards our language.

### **Childrens' Day Celebration**

Podar International School celebrated Children's Day with a high peak of joy and cheer. As a part of the Children's Day celebration, all class teachers conducted different activities filled with joy and fun and gave students immense happiness. All students ended with their class celebration with great sheer and a big smile on their face. "Childhood is a season, live it before it ends" and quoting this We, on behalf of the entire Podar Family, wish you a very happy Children's Day!

### **Pre-Diwali virtual Get-together for students**

Teachers conducted activities in their respective classes and engaged the students in a fun interaction before the Diwali vacations began. Teachers and the students of those respective classes participated in these activities virtually; all participants shared their

thoughts, views and creative ideas and made the get-together a very successful and enjoyable program. It was a great feeling of informal togetherness.

### **Constitution Day Celebration**

Constitution Day, also celebrated as Samvidhan Diwas in India occurs on 26th November annually to celebrate the adoption of the Constitution of India. The Constituent Assembly, on 26th November 1949, formally adopted the Constitution of India. Our school had celebrated Constitution Day by conducting some patriotic speeches and explanations given by the students. The students recited the preamble, explained and gave speeches on various topics like secularism, socialism, justice, equality, and fraternity.

### **Ramanujan Quiz Competition**

The Ramanujan Maths Quiz competition was conducted on 22nd December 2020, on the account of National Mathematics Day. Our 2 teams of students comprising 4 students from grades VI, VII and VIII, IX had participated. They brought glory and made our school proud by grabbing the 2nd prize. The competition was conducted by Didactics Learning Assistance LLP. In this competition total 55 teams from 25 Schools across Sangli, Islampur, Palghar and Aurangabad participated.

### **Christmas Celebration**

On the 23 rd of December, the students of our school had a virtual celebration of the festival with excitement and enthusiasm. Various online games and activities were conducted for the students, like colouring and drawing a Christmas tree, Santa Claus, stars and Bells. Students were dressed in a Christmas themed festive attire. During the celebrations, students sang melodious carols and participated beautifully to make the celebration memorable. The importance of Christmas was explained to the students through a Christmas story. They exhibited their creativity by decorating and displaying them in their classes. Such celebrations bring happiness and togetherness among the students and also inculcate the spirit of sharing and giving in them.

### **National Youth Day**

On January 12, National Youth Day is celebrated every year in India to honour the birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda, one of India's greatest leaders and believers of youth power. PIS Sangli has celebrated National Youth Day on account of the birth anniversary of Swami Vivekanand. The School's entrance was decorated with flowers and balloons. The teachers Mrs. Pragati Joglekar, Mrs. Archana Pandyaji, Dr.Kshitija Bhate and students Arnav Dalavi and Yuvraj sang an inspirational group song on this

spiritual occasion. More than 500 parents and students witnessed the function through Facebook and YouTube live. Miss. Ashlesha Waghambare proposed the vote of thanks.

### **Fit India Week School Celebration**

P.I.S Sangli had organised activities for the students from grades I to VIII. These activities were conducted from 5th December to 12th December and included activities like Virtual Assembly, Brain Games, Poster making competition, Essay and Poem writing competition, Podcast on Fit India Initiative and online quiz on sports.

### **Cyclothon Event**

Under the Fit India initiative taken by the Central government, our school had organised a 'cyclothon'. The event was declared open on 11/1/21 at school premises by waving off the flag. Principal sir, teachers and students participated in the event and completed the ride of 17 km. The route covered was the school to Haripur and back to school. This cyclothon was continued till 16/1/21. 1260 students had participated in this event, Parents, students and their relatives were given an opportunity to participate in the event by uploading the pictures of their bicycle ride on the link provided. The motive of this event was to create awareness about fitness in the society.

### **Republic Day Celebration**

Podar International School, Sangli geared up for online Republic Day celebration. On the auspicious morning of 26th January, the school celebrated Republic Day with pride and patriotism in its premises. The programme began at 8 a.m. The hosts Ms. Riya Kulkari, the school editor, and Ms. Niharika Sonalkar welcomed everyone and conducted the program. The ceremony commenced with the unfurling of the tricolour by the revered principal Mr. G.B. Patil and the guests of honour.

### **Debate Competition**

Podar International School Sangli had organized a debate competition for Students of Grade VIII, IX under PCRA in association with Indian Oil, Miraj Depot on Friday, February 5, 2021, in the School premises. The topic for debate was "Can renewable energy replace fossil fuel?"

Winners:

First Rank: Mst. Prathmesh Pailwan and Mast. Mayuresh Pujari from Grade VIII.

Second Rank: Ms. Suhani Sarada and Mst. Aryan Pujari is also from Grade VIII.

### **Road Safety Awareness Assembly**

We observed Road Safety month from 18th Jan. to 17th Feb 2021 with an amazing theme 'Sadak Suraksha - Jivan Raksha'. The main motto behind this was to create and spread awareness among youths of PIS Sangli about the present need and importance of Road Safety. With regards to this, a special assembly was conducted and 2 officers

from RTO were invited as chief guests who addressed about road safety, it's importance, as well as it's need in a fast-moving world. Besides this, two officers with respected Principal sir launched "The Road Safety Quiz" exclusively through the digital platform.

### **"Math is Everywhere" - Poster making Competition**

On 20th February 2021 "Math is Everywhere " – Poster Making Competition was held in Podar International School, Sangli. The competition was held by the Math Department for students from Grade III to Grade VIII. More than 100 students participated in this competition. The topic for the competitions was very interesting like Math in Music/ Dance, Math in Mandala Art, Math in origami, Math in Farming, Math in Business, Math in Planning a Trip, Math in sports Etc.

### **Brush twice a day and keep germs away**

On 26th February PIS, Sangli had initiated a campaign - "Brush twice a day and keep germs away" (BTAD) to emphasize the importance of oral health. This and next The month is celebrated as National Children's Dental Health Month. To begin this campaign from Nursery to Grade 5, an informative ppt along with some videos were explained to children so that they understand the importance of oral health and hygiene. Also, a chart was prepared where the child would be colouring the tooth of that day if he/she has brushed the teeth 2 times a day.

### **Spellathon 2020-2021**

The Spellathon competition was conducted at the school premises for Grade 1-8 on the 27th of February 2021. The objective of the competition was to enhance the Literacy skills of the students and generate interest in students for learning new vocabulary, synonyms and antonyms. It also helped them to frame sentences and improve their speaking and writing skills.

### **Marathi Rajbhasha Din**

Marathi Rajbhasha Din was celebrated on 27th February 2021 in Podar International School, Sangli with joy and enthusiasm. Marathi Din is celebrated on account of the birth anniversary of the eminent Marathi Poet Kusumagraj. As a celebration of his poetic legacy, the school had organised a 'Kavisammelan' where parents and teachers participated and recited beautiful poems from our marathi literature. Mrs Sunita Patankar was the Chief Guest of this program. She has contributed to the field of Marathi literature and expressed her thoughts on how we as students, teachers or parents can learn more about this beautiful genre of Marathi books, stories and

poems and play a role in preserving our culture.

### **National Science Day Celebration**

National Science Day was celebrated on 27th February 2021 in the school premises on the account of the birth anniversary of Indian physicist C. V. Raman to commemorate his discovery of the infamous Raman effect. The event was conducted by Mr Suraj Patil (a resource person of the DLA LLP Team) and was organised for students from grades VI to IX. This event aimed to enhance the observational and intellectual skills of the students, developed a scientific perspective in students' minds and to motivate them to use science for the betterment of the society and this was achieved by conducting demonstrations and experiments.