

PODAR INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL ,WAGHOLI

All good thoughts and ideas means nothing without action... -Gandhi

THIS NEWS LETTER APPRISES YOU OF THE ON GOING EVENTS OF THE SCHOOL IN THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 17.

MARATHI BHASHA DIVAS

The 'Marathi Bhasha Divas' was celebrated on February 27th with great enthusiasm. The eminent Marathi poet, V.V.Shirwadkar, was fondly remembered for his great contribution to Marathi Literature. The students recited poems written by him and through, their motivational speech reminded us of the importance of our state language and it's history. The students also put up a fine performance depicting the various cultures of Maharashtra. They left no stones unturned, in bringing out the nuances; The Powada based on Shivaji Maharaja, the lively Koli Dance, the popular lavani, the devotional Jogwa dance and the favourite folk bharud.



EXPRESS YOURSELF

You cannot truly Express Yourself until you first discover who you are.... Under the theme of "BE GOOD DO GOOD", as a part of 'Express Yourself' activity, the students of Podar International School, Wagholi participated in writing, thinking and colouring activities. The students learned what small, good deeds they can do towards their family members and friends. They wrote about an incident and expressed when they made someone happy. The students put themselves in a situation and thought about and made a decision about how to tackle the situation and learned the importance of decision making and taking responsibilities for their own actions.



CLASSES EVACUATED FOR FUMES

Majority of people think they'd be able to find their way out of their home quickly and safely if a fire broke out late at night. The sad truth is, only a small percentage of the population is actually prepared to do so. If there w a real fire, then lack of preparation could cost them their lives. To avoid any panic, in such situations we organize 'Mock fire drill' in the school at regular interval. A drill was organized on 16th February, 2017 in the school, where students were instructed about the do's and don'ts: The precaution and evacuation time during fire. Grade 7 and 8 students were especially instructed about the working of fire extinguisher and how they should help small children to evacuate the building. The drill not only helped the students to be mentally prepared,for emergency, but also helped them to be more responsiblesmall children to evacuate the building. The drill not only helped the students to be mentally prepared for emergency but also helped them to be more responsible.



FIELD TRIP TO NATIONAL WAR MUSEUM SOUTHERN COMMAND

A field trip was organized by Podar International School for the students of classes II to IX to the National War Museum on 1st and 2nd February, 2017.The museum is situated at Pune cantonment, an area reserved for armed forces and was built in 1997 whereas the memorial was unveiled and dedicated to the nation on August 15, 1998 and is the only war memorial in South Asia which has been erected by citizens' contribution. The students were taken through the rich and glorious history of the Indian Army and got a chance to see some old and rare tanks. The war museum is a place of educational importance; students were guided by the army personnel and got to know more about the post-Independence war martyrs' sacrifices. They were thrilled and excited to see and touch the MIG 23 BN aero plane which was used in the Kargil war. The museum has exhibits such as battlefield photographs, bullets trams, armoury, a replica of now decommissioned frigate INS Trishul, which served in the Liberation of Goa and the Indo-Pak war of 1971 and a lot more. The visit helped the students to recall the forgotten lives of those who had laid their lives for the betterment of the society and learn more about our defence services.



NATIONAL SCIENCE DAY

National Science Day was celebrated in the school on 28 February to mark the discovery of the Raman Effect by Indian Physicist Sir Chandrashekhara Venkata Raman on 28 February 1928. For his discovery, Sir C.V. Raman was awarded the Noble prize in Physics in 1930. An informative session was conducted in the school assembly followed by a workshop on Toys from trash conducted by Mr. Samarth Chatterjee. School also participated in a contest organized by Podar network where students wrote an essay on the topic ' I love learning Science because...'



HOUSE COMPETITION

Be Good - Do Good' – A Focus on Being Good in Everyday Life

House Competition: 'Musical Good Times'

Music is an integral part of a quality school curriculum. It plays an important role in bringing out the creative side of the students and induces a positive energy in the class. It also helps in setting the tone of the classroom, develops skills and concepts, and helps in building a sense of togetherness. The recitation of poetry and the singing of songs help develop literary skills. The competition, provided students with a platform to express themselves in an artistic form.

Primary Grades: The students from the primary grades created the poems/jingles on friendship and feelings and they performed in front of everyone. Secondary Grades: The students from the secondary grades selected the poems/jingles on being good citizens, having courage, integrity, tolerance and empathy.



PARIVARTAN

The Parivartan drive was undertaken by the students of Grade 7 and 8 on 28th February 2017. The focus of the drive was on being good and doing well in everyday life. A visit was made to a nearby society. Permission was sought from Savannah society.

The students marched around the society with banners accompanied by the school band. They amicably chanted slogans on 'Be Good Do Good'. They spoke about the importance of values in personal life, and how practicing these values in daily life can make them better persons and the world a better place for humanity.



ANNUAL DAY

Podar International School, Wagholi celebrated the annual day for the academic year 2016-17 on 9th and 10th February 2017. The program started with the lighting of the lamp by our chief guest Mr. Franklin (Pune hub Manager, Podar) accompanied by the Principal Mrs. Seema Kapse and PTA Members. Mrs. Seema Kapse, our respected Principal presented a detailed Annual Report of all the activities and events during the year 2016-17. She spoke of how the school from its establishment four years ago progressed in leaps and bounces with its various achievements and laurels.



Two concerts were presented by the students with the theme of celebration. Grade 1 and 2 presented a skit 'A Time to celebrate' which evolved around the traditional and unique way of celebrating new year from around the world. The play centered around a History channel researching on the history of new year. They set out to different places to shoot while exploring the various culture and celebration. They left an lasting impression on the minds of the audiences.

Grade 3 to 8 presented 'The Magical crowns'. The entire play pivoted around six children and the cap-seller who sold them the magical crowns. The crowns took them to different places around the world. The cast portrayed the characters with perfections. The grandeur and flamboyance was captured suitably with magnificent backdrops, stage lightning and rich costumes. The dances were wonderfully executed and left the audience spell bound.



Grade 9 put up a skit and dance portraying Shivaji Along with the rich heritage and culture of Maharashtra. The play was filled with memorable and breathtaking scenes. The message to the audience were of being 'brave', 'truthful' and 'unselfish' choosing between right and wrong and letting your conscience be your guide. It was a very good production enjoyed by all. Each character brilliantly performed his role and were unique by themselves.

The hard work of all the students and teachers were evident. Special Thanks to Our Principal Mrs. Seema Kapse for her guidance and support. A big thanks to our Vice –principal Mrs. Suman Tiwari for her constant encouragement. All in all it was fulfilled, enthralling and enjoyable two days.