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OUR NEW PRINCIPAL FOR ISS SINCE 1st JULY, 2019



Mr Deepak Patankar is an educationist with over twentynine years of valued experience in education . 22 years as Principal of renowned schools. In his long and illustrious career, he has held prestigious positions like Principal, Academic head, Senior Faculty, Management representative (MR), Academic auditor in some of the renowned schools in Mumbai and Navi Mumbai.

His invaluable experience in the field of education has enriched him with deep understanding of varied curriculum and IGCSE. His CBSE, ICSE, ISC, expertise designing lies in innovative curriculum across boards, getting affiliations, examination, holding training teachers and **Principals** and associated permissions to enhance the quality of education. He has been extensively engaged

designing and facilitating workshops for students, parents as well as teachers. A well-versed knowledge of present day e-learning technology has helped him to introduce breakthrough changes in teaching methodology in the institutions that he has worked with. His strong belief in providing constructive freedom and his humanistic approach towards students and staff has always made him a very popular figure among children and faculty alike.

His areas of interests expertise are beyond academics. He believes in actively engaging the Student Council bodies for the various academic and nonacademic avenues with the purview to sharpen their planning, organising and leadership skills.

As an avid sportsperson, he has been instrumental in creating a culture new sporting across schools he has been associated with. Popularly known as Patankar sir. Mr. Deepak Patankar is an inspiration for outstanding many as an educationist.

MAST AIBHINAV UPADHYAY OF XII B WINS PM FOUNDATION TALENT SEARCH EXAMINATION



A Talent Search Test is conducted in association with 'Gulf daily for Madhyamam' the students who have completed Xth Standard examination or its equivalent. Master Aibhinav Upadhyay of XII B brings laurel to Indian School Salalah by winning award and merit cash certificate in the talent examination.

The objective of this examination is to identify talented young students for the Award of P.M. Fellowship Students who have scored full A+, who can apply through online. Talent Search Examination is conducted in the month of October. Results are published in November. The top 10 students who qualify from the test are honoured with cash awards and merit certificates in the award ceremony. This Award is well recognised in the institutions of India and abroad

Aibhinav with his full A+ in class X board exams (March 2018), emerged as one of the top ten in the qualifying exam that fetched him the cash prize and merit certificate. The Acting President of SMC, Dr. Syed Ahsan Jamil, other members of SMC and Principal Mr. Deepak Patankar appreciated the efforts of Master Aibhinav.



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GREEN HOUSE WINS THE INTER HOUSE **VOLLEYBALL COMPETITION (2019-20)**

The Inter Volleyball House Competition was conducted on 25th April, 2019. The Competition was played on knock out basis. In the first match, Yellow House won against Blue House by 25-14 and 25-08.

In the other match played to enter the finals, Green House defeated Red House by 25-12, 25-11.



The finals was played between Green House and Yellow House. Green House won the finals by 25-10 and 25-16. Yellow House was adjudged Runners up.

WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY - JUNE 2ND 2019

"World Environment Day" was celebrated on Sunday, 2nd June 2019. The students of class 1 & 2 came dressed up in blue and green colour to represent water



and land. The day started with the assembly for class 1, thought for the day was to 'save environment' by Miss Sreenidhi. Mrs. Anita Rose, in-charge Primary Section addressed the children and asked them to be environment friendly. Students made paper bags with the old newspapers and teachers insisted the impacts of plastic environment waste in also of teachers insisted conserving forests by using less paper.

To celebrate Father's day, kids made cards with the help of some materials which used they brought, like- beads, buttons, shells etc.

Videos related to save environment were shown to the kids. The students went back home with lot of good memories to treasure, a loving Father's Day card and a newspaper bag.

ENERGY GLOBE AWARD 2019 BAGGED BY INDIAN SCHOOL SALALAH

ninth-grade Indian School Salalah student in Oman,



Samved Nambiar has won the National Energy Globe Award, a globally renowned prize for environmental conservation, for stewardship of Oman's environmental beauty and natural resources. Samved Nambiar is currently the youngest recipient ever to receive the Energy Globe.

The winners, in the categories of Earth, Fire, Water, Air and Youth, are selected by a panel including members from the United Nations Industrial Development Organization World Bank and the European Renewable Energy Council. The awards were an initiative by Austrian and engineer environmentalist Wolfgang Neumann. The herculean status of the Award often equates it to Nobel Prize.

The project submitted by Samved Nambiar, a student of Indian School Salalah, was aimed at raising awareness about the negative effects. mankind's certain activities have on the environment while also suggesting possible solutions for them. He has been



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action, with his elder brother,

Hridith Sudev. Through his work,

numerous efforts to protect the

planet and have come up with

campaigns to further his goals as

well. The Energy Globe Award is

the latest recognition his work has

With 187 participating countries,

Nambiar

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the Energy Globe Award is today's most prestigious environmental award and the award signed by environmental activist, Maneka Gandhi and Energy Globe Founder, Mr. Wolfgang Neumann is awarded annually to projects focusing on energy efficiency, renewable energies and the conservation of resources.

Master Samved was appreciated by the acting President of the school management committee, Dr. Syed Ahsan Jamil and Principal Mr. Deepak Patankar



Indian School Salalah celebrated the 73rd Independence Day on 15th August, 2019 with great patriotic spirit, zeal and fervor at the school premises. Mr. Mohammed Ahmed Al Sanh Al Mashikhi, Manager Al-Raffd Fund, Dhofar branch graced the occasion as the chief guest.

Mr. Mohammed Ahmed Al Sanh Al Mashikhi, chief guest of the day, escorted by Dr. Sved Ahsan Jamil, acting President of school management committee, Principal Mr. Deepak Patankar and members of SMC inaugurated K.G block Sun Shade and new stage which is now a part of Indian School Salalah's robust infrastructure.

programme commenced The with a prayer song followed by the Oman National Anthem and Indian National Anthem, filling the hearts of all present their with true patriotic spirit and pride. Master Justus Sebastain in his speech extended a hearty welcome to chief guest of the day, the acting president of school management committee Dr. Sved Ahsan Jamil, esteemed members of school management committee, Principal Mr. Deepak Patankar, Chairman of Indian Social Club Mr. Manpreet Singh, distinguished guests and dignitaries. Addressing the gathering Dr. Sved Ahsan Jamil acting president of school management committee drew comparisons with mission statement of the school, which emphasizes moulding students to become caring and responsible global citizens, he also



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added that along with celebrations, comes the responsibility to make democracy and global citizenship a reality and urged students to realize their potential and work towards the prosperity of India.

Speaking on the occasion, the Principal Mr. Deepak Patankar saluted the martyrs who laid their lives to free India. He said that it is the youth who would lead India and stressed the need for all round development of students along with academics.

A musical rendition by the students of class III- IV and patriotic song by students of class VIII awakened everyone's feelings towards motherland Indiaand left the audience imbued with a sense of patriotism. Students of class VIII presented an English skit BE THE CHANGE that revealed the true meaning of free India and urged audience to recollect responsibilities towards nation. The scintillating dance performance by the students of class VIII enthralled the audience with a true spirit of patriotism. The emphatic speech in English by Master Sidharth Jayaprakash, Miss Hanna Elsa Alex and Miss Hamna Nishtar of class IV and in Hindi by Miss Shazfa Shabbir of class VIII amplified everyone's patriotic spirit.

The Prize distribution, an integral part of the Independence Day, left parents beaming with joy and pride to see their wards collecting

their outstanding prizes for performances. Our Chief guest Mr.Mohammed Ahmed Al Sanh Al Mashiki was accompanied by Dr. Syed Ahsan Jamil, acting President of school management committee and Principal Mr. Deepak Patankar gave away the CBSE merit certificates recently issued by CBSE to Miss Rhea Jacob and Miss Aquila Thomas for securing centum in Maths and English. Master Samved Shaji Nambiar, a ninth-grade student won the National Energy Globe Award, a renowned prize globally for environmental conservation, for his stewardship of Oman's environmental beauty and natural resources was felicitated by chief guest of the day.

The fraternity of Indian School Salalah appreciated the efforts of Infrastructure sub-committee headed by Engineer Jonathan Solomon and his team engineers to reconstruct KG block sun shade, stage and compound floor which were damaged in Mekunu cyclone. Er. Jonathan in his speech thanked everyone who supported him to accomplish this herculean task and for keeping him. Er. Jonathan trust on Solomon (Head of the team), Mr Sathya Prakash (Project Engineer, National Engineering Consultancy), Mr. Mansoor and Mr. Biji M. Babu (Project Engineer, Thameer Engineering) were felicitated with

mementos as token of love and appreciation.

The programme concluded with the Vote of thanks by Miss Nicole Sarah Ernest of class VIII. Indeed, it was a day of joy, a day to love and respect for the motherland, make it a better place to live and realize the worth of freedom, peace and unity in diversity.

PARENT TEACHER MEETING WITH PARENTS OF CLASS X HELD ON 24TH AUGUST

A Parent- Teacher Meeting was held for the students of class X on 24th August 2019 in the school auditorium to brief the parents on

Maths Level 1 and 2 Exam and the remodelled assessment. The meeting was presided over by Mr. Deepak Patankar, the Principal. The meeting was attended by the Vice Principal, Asst. Vice Principals, Department Heads. teachers. parents and students of Class 10. The session began after a general introduction by Mr. Binoy C.A. (Class X Co-ordinator).

Dr. S. Srinivasan, the Vice-Principal, in his address briefed the parents regarding the remodelled assessment for the academic year 2019-20. explained the criteria and areas of internal assessment. The purpose of Maths Exam Level 1 and 2 was also explained in detail. The



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informed parents were also regarding the hike in the CBSE exam fee.

Principal, Mr. Deepak Patankar, in his address, highlighted the reasons why Maths is considered to be a difficult subject and the remedy to overcome this difficulty. He also stressed on the need for regular revision and preparation, and the role of the parents in a child's academic performance. In his address, the need and schedule of the Gurukul Class was explained.

proposal for single preliminary examination was made to make the students to take the exams seriously. Proposal to have crash courses based their level on performance in the Preliminary was also highlighted.

A few questions were raised by the parents regarding the Date of Supplementary Examination, the last working day before the Board Exams and the date of Board Exams. All the relevant questions were answered their to satisfaction.

The General Meeting came to a conclusion at 7.30pm and after that the parents met the respective subject teachers regarding the academic progress of their wards.

CLASS X TOPPERS

POSITION	NAME	TOTAL	PERCENTAGE
1	ANJANA PARVATHY	489	97.8
2	NAMAN VERMA	487	97.4
3	ANGELA MARY JOHN	484	96.8
3	GOURI NANDAKUMAR	484	96.8

We would like to bring to your notice that there has been a change in the order of rank list of toppers of class X Board Exam (March 2019) after the reevaluation process. The top rank holders are as above.

PRIMARY SECTION OF IS SALALAH CELEBRATED **ETHNIC DAY**

of continuation the Independence day celebration, the primary classes I to IV witnessed the spirit of freedom and display of patriotism in the

hearts of young ones as Ethnic day was celebrated on Thursday, 22ndAugust 2019. It was a wonderful sight to see children who came in the traditional attire of their state. The celebration was graced by Principal, Deepak Patankar, Assistant Vice Principal-Academics (Middle section) Mrs. Ananthalakshmi, Primary charge Mrs. Anita Rose and KG In-charge Mrs. Reenu Davis. In the lower primary (Classes I & II), the day started with the prayer song by the children, followed by a welcome speech. A patriotic song was melodiously sung by the tiny tots of grade I, the young audience soaked in the spirit of celebration the were seen enthusiastically waving the little Indian paper flags which was made by them as an Independence Day Activity. Followed by the song was a skit which provoked the thought process of the audience



as to how and why it is important to take care of our motherland. The skit was well applauded by for the audience their performance. The young students dressed up as freedom fighters came up on stage to speak on the occasion was well received by



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everyone. In the upper primary (Classes III & IV), the school choir sang a melodious yet powerful patriotic song that could so gently stir up hearts and make everyone radiate the love and concern they had for the country. The speech given by the trio Mast.Siddarth, Miss. Hamna Nishthar and Miss. Hanna Alex mesmerized the audience and brought a strong spirit of patriotism amongst the children. The highlight of the occasion was the declamation done by a few students who were wearing their favorite freedom fighter's costume. Children witnessed Pandit Jawarhal Nehru, Nethaji Subash Chandra Bose, and Baghat Singh. Primary In-charge Mrs. Anita Rose in her address expressed her happiness on seeing the students dressed in their traditional costumes. She extended her gratitude to all the parents for their efforts and enthusiasm in taking part in the celebrations. She delivered a speech on importance of freedom which instilled in the young minds the need of freedom in life. She also claimed that though all of them were attired by different colours and cultures, they were all one and that they had to continue to nurture this beautiful unity in In the recess the diversity. traditionally clad young patriots flooded the quadrangle in a disciplined manner and marched around waving the tricolor flag to

the songs "Mile sure mere thumara" and "Vande Mataram" with smiles that could make even stones melt. Students of the senior classes watched this beautiful happening in awe and happiness from all the floors of the school. Their marching lit up the whole school's vibe and brought about a strong aura of patriotism and joy.

OPEN CHESS COMPETITION (2019-20)

The Open chess tournament commenced on 13th May, 2019. The tournament wasplayed under 3 categories and was played on knock out basis followed by Swiss rounds.





Sub juniors (classes 3-5)
Juniors (classes 6-8)
Seniors (Classes9-12)
Results of open chess

Results of open chess tournament 2019-20 Seniors

Winner-Bitra.B.Yashwant (XII) Runner up -Antriksh Singh (X) Juniors

Winner-S.B.Rethessh (VII)
Runner up-JishnuDevan(VII)

Sub Juniors

Winner-Arunachalam (IV) Runner up-K.M.Abhilaash (V)

The competition got over on 29th August, 2019. The Teachers in charge were Mr. Parvinder Singh and Mr. Rohit.

CCA ACTIVITIES 2019-20

CCA has been instrumental in bringing out the talents of our young students, by providing them a platform to showcase their talents. Various competitions among the four houses are held at different levels to help the students hone and display their skills.

The CCA competitions began with the Inter House Hindi Calligraphy competition for class 3 on the 2nd of May, followed by Solo song on the 9th of May, card making on the 30th of May. Poetry Recitation competition was held for class 3 on the 8th of August. The competitions for class 4 began with the Inter house card making competition on the 14th of May, next was the digital painting competition followed by the poetry Competition on 6th of the spell August and bee competition held on 20th of August. An Inter House Poetry Recitation competition was held on 6th August 2019, in the sub



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junior category. In the junior 3. CARD MAKING category, the ambience resonated **1st** - Master Amir Sudheerudeen, with the musical melody of the III-J (Blue House) Inter school Guitar Competition. **2nd** – Miss Alvina, In the senior category, participants of the inter school Ansari, III-G(Blue House) English Solo Song Competition mesmerized the audience with their melodious songs.

Some of the events have been scheduled for Saturdays in order to finish the competitions well in advance so that ample time is available for Academics and preparations for examinations as well as to conduct selections for the upcoming Talent Fest to be held at Muscat.

CCA WINNERS

CLASS 3 CCA ACTIVITIES 2019-20 1.HINDI CALLIGRAPHY

1st - Miss Fiona Rittu,

III-A (Blue House)

2nd - Miss Preethi.

III-A (Yellow House)

3rd - Niveditha

III-H (Green House)

Consolation - Miss Uthara P,

III-A (Blue House)

Miss Huda Tasneem Irshad,

III-J (Red House) and Miss.

Indulekha of III-H (Red house)

2. SOLO SONG

1st –Miss Anait, III-F (Yellow house)

2nd - Miss Meghna,

III-D (Green house)

3rd - Master Aaron Antony,

III-H (Blue House)

III-J (Blue house) and Zainab

3rd - Miss Kaitlyn,

III C (Yellow House) and

Miss Nusrat, III-D (Blue House)

Consolation – Master Arjandeep,

III-D (Yellow),

Master Akif, III-F (Red House) and Miss Nivedya Nandakumar , III-E (Blue House)

4.ENGLISH RECITATION

1st - Miss Anandita Singh,

III-A (Green House)

2nd- Master Arjandeep,

III-D (Yellow House)

3rd- Miss Huda Thasneem,

III-J (Red House)

Consolation - Miss ANAIT,

III-D (Yellow House),

Miss Nivedya Nandakumar,

III-E (Blue House) and

Master Adidev Manoj,

III-A(Blue House)

CLASS 4 CCA ACTIVITIES 2019-20

1. CARD MAKING

1st - Miss Yashitha,

IV-B(Red House) and

Miss Mridhubashini IV-G (Red)

2nd - Miss Yazhini Prabhu of IV-F

(Blue House) and Miss Nihana of IV-

J (Green House)

3rd – Master Santhosh Velmurugan

of IV-H (Green House)

2. DIGITAL PAINTING

1st – Miss Crystal Cayetano,

IV-B (Green House)

2nd - Miss Aiza Zuleikha,

IV-C (Yellow house)

3rd - Master Santhosh Velmurugan

IV-H (Green house)

3. ENGLISH RECITATION.

1st - Miss Hanna Elsa Alex,

IV G (Red House)

2nd - Miss Hamna Nishthar,

IV-G(Green house) and Miss Surya

Unnikrishnan, IV-G(Yellow house) 3rd - Miss Parvathy Sunil,

IV-C (Green House) and Miss Janlia

Joseph, IV-F (Yellow House)

4. Spell bee

1st –Miss Hanna Elsa Alex.

IV-G (Red House) and

Master Ahmed Musab Ahmed

Mohamed, IV-B (Yellow House)

2nd - Master Mohammed Zayan

IV-D (Green House) and

Master Niranjan Harylal,

IV-B(Red House)

3rd – Master Raihan,

IV-B (Yellow house)

5.Solo song

1st – Miss Wafa Sadique,

IV-B (Green House)

2nd - Miss Aksa Susan Manoj,

IV-B (Green House)

3rd –Miss Hamna Nishthar,

IV-G (Green House)

Consolation – Miss Aleena Binoy,

IV-D(Red House)



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ENGLISH RECITATION -SUB JUNIOR (Class V & VI)

1st – Miss Varisha Javed, Class 6-A(Red house) 2nd -Master Suryadev Umeshan, Class V-G(Blue House) 3rd - Miss Zaina Fathima, Class V-D(Blue House)

INSTRUMENTAL SOLO GUITAR - JUNIORS

(Class VII & VIII)

1st –Master Justus Sebastian, VIII-C (Red House) 2nd – Master Evan Tijo Neriamparambil, VII-F (Green House) 3rd – Master Amogh Malviya, VIII-C (Blue House)

ENGLISH SOLO SONG -SENIORS (Class IX to XII)

1st – Miss Bhumi Milan Thanki. XII-D,(Green House) 2nd – Master Abhisekh Seshadri XI-B (Green House) 3rd - Naseeb Nazeer. X-C (Blue House)

TEACHERS FROM IS SALALAH ATTENDED **CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMME CONDUCTED BY CBSE**

The Board of Directors of Indian Schools in Oman conducted a two day capacity building programme with CBSE on 30& 31st August 2019 in various venues of Indian Schools in Muscat and other Indian schools in the capital city. A large number of teachers and Principals from various Indian schools in Oman attended actively the programme.28 teachers from Indian School Salalah took part in the two day capacity building programme. The Five venues were School Muscat-Indian New Multipurpose Hall, Indian School Muscat-Old Multipurpose hall. Indian School AlGhubra, Indian School Wadi Kabir and Indian Darsait. The School entire programme was live streamed in the 21 Indian Schools in Oman.

The main objective of the programme is to empower the teachers and enhance their knowledge and skills. The inaugural ceremony of the two day capacity building programme was held on 30 th August 2019 in Indian School Muscat. The chief guest of the inaugural ceremony was Dr.Biswajeet Saha, Director, Training, CBSE Skills and training. Dr.Baby Sam Samuel, Chairman, Board of Directors of Indian Schools Mr. M.P.Vinobha, in Oman, Educational Advisor. Mr.Rajeev Chauhan, Principal, ISM, Mr. Deepak Patankar, Principal, Indian School Salalah, other Principals from various Indian Schools in Oman, resource persons from CBSE

schools from India for the capacity building programme were the dignitaries who attended the inaugural ceremony.

Dr. Baby Sam Samuel, Chairman, BOD, in his address stressed on the crucial need of continual training and learning for teachers. The teachers must transform from being mere instructors to true mentors. The training programme was conducted on the five topics-Digital essentials in Education, Question paper setting, Teaching in multicultural environment, Classroom management and Inclusive education.

Digital essentials in Education session was taken by Ms. Jyothi Gupta, Principal, Delhi **Public** School, Ghaziabad and Dr.C.B.Mishra, Principal, Presidium school Delhi. .The various topics discussed were administrative efficiency through digital technology, academic efficiency through digital technology and digital infrastructure in school. Digital life skills needed by today's children were discussed. Teachers were made aware of Edmodo, Sway, OneDrive, Kahoot, Survey monkey, Flip grid, socrative.com, plickers etc.

Session on Question paper setting by Ms. Neha Sharma, Principal, Delhi Public School, Gwalior began with an Autograph Bingo through which each participant got to know



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the assessment of public explained and assessment as learning. The afternoon session by the resource person Dr.Shwetha Singh, Joint Secretary, Academics, CBSE, explained on the types of assessment. She enlightened the teachers on how a good test item should be.

Session Teaching on in Multicultural environment bv Dr.Shwetha Singh, Joint Secretary, Academics, CBSE started with brainstorming session on definition of culture. The situation of teachers who face multiculturalism in their classes, their challenges and constraints with cultural integration and differentiation of children were discussed. Dr Ameeta Mulla Wattal, Principal, Spring Dales school in the noon session insisted that teachers must strive to understand their students in a holistic way.

Session on Class room management commenced with interesting activities for teachers discussions followed by on classroom management. The Prelunch sessions by the resource person Dr.Indu Kheterpal, Principal, Salwan public school Delhi mainly focussed on the various components of effective classroom management and conduct management. The Post-lunch session by the resource person

each other. The resource person Dr.Sudha Acharya, Principal, ITL teachers and help them to grow as school. Delhi included learning, assessment for learning explanation of different tips and techniques that educators need to adopt for effective classroom management.

> Session on Inclusive education was conducted by Dr Sandeep Kumar Jain, Deputy Secretary, Academic, CBSE and Dr. Sudha Acharya, Principal, ITL Public school, Delhi. During the session, the teachers learnt how to assess the children with learning problems, behaviour modification, how to make learning material for special needs children and different ways to help children with learning problems. resource person said that the teachers have to help the special children by understanding the child's emotional and psychological perspective. The best gift to the children is to educate them with love and compassion.

> All the teachers who attended different sessions were given hand outs to have an in depth clarity about the subject. At the end of the session, group photographs were taken along with the respective resource persons.

> All the teachers who attended the two day capacity programme had a and purposeful exhilarating learning experience. This initiative of BOD will definitely enhance the knowledge and skills of the

professionals.

IS SALALAH LAUNCHES ITS FACEBOOK PAGE ON **TEACHERS' DAY**

The management of Indian School Salalah hosted a 'get together' for their teachers on Thursday, 5th September in Hamdan Plaza to celebrate Teachers' day.

During the celebration, Dr. Syed Ashan Jamil, President of SMC accompanied Principal bv Mr.Deepak Patankar officially inaugurated and launched the facebook page of Indian School Salalah, which will be a closed group.

The launch was done with the uploading of a video about the school prepared by students of class XII.

Dr.Jamil in his address expressed that the objective of this facebook page is to have real time communication with parents. He also wanted all the hard work. achievements and efforts of the teachers and students to be highlighted. Principal in his address to the students in the morning invited all the students to log in and respond.

HOD of Comp Science department and his team were appreciated by one and all for the launch.