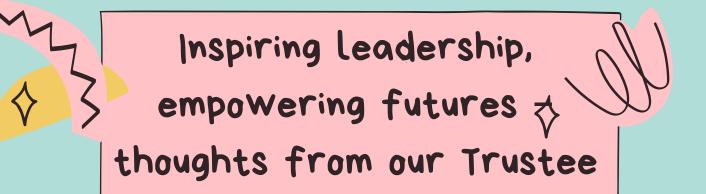


Bright Beginnings - January 2025

January marked a fresh start, bringing new hopes, resolutions, and opportunities. In India, it is a month of celebrations and important events, with chilly winters in the north and pleasant weather in the south. Festivals like Makar Sankranti, Pongal, and Lohri celebrate the harvest season. Makar Sankranti was marked by kite-making activities and til-gud sweets, adding festive joy. Cooking competitions introduced students to India's diverse traditional flavors.

Republic Day (January 26) is a proud national event celebrating the adoption of the Constitution in 1950. Our school honored the day with flag hoisting, patriotic songs, and cultural performances, instilling national pride. The Mascot Reveal energized the school spirit, while the Cookbook Launch showcased students' culinary talents. The Annual Day, themed "Stories That Shape Us," celebrated storytelling's role in inspiring and shaping minds. Through performances and narratives, students brought to life tales that connected generations.

With a dynamic mix of events, January was a month of renewal, celebration, and inspiration, setting a positive tone for the year ahead.



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When you travel, note how you feel. Remember that feeling, and check if it is the happy place you want to go to."

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From the Principal's Desk: Guiding us with wisdom and vision.

4 Lessons Learnt from Our Annual Day

The much-anticipated Annual Days were a resounding success, a testament to the dedication, teamwork, and perseverance of our school community. The true value of such experiences lies not just in the final performance but in the journey that leads us there.

Lesson 1 - The Power of Preparation

Behind every spectacular performance is hours of hard work and meticulous planning. Students learned the importance of discipline, time management, and perseverance—skills that will serve them well beyond the stage.

Lesson 2 - Teamwork

Collaboration was the key with the combined efforts of teachers, students, and staff, each playing their part with responsibility and dedication. When we work together, we achieve extraordinary results.

Lesson 3 - Building Confidence and Resilience

For many students, stepping onto the stage was a moment of triumph over their fears, honed public speaking and gained self-assurance. Mistakes were made along the way, but each one became a learning experience, teaching us resilience and the ability to adapt.

Lesson 4 - Adding to Our Strengths

Each Annual Day is more than just a celebration—it is a stepping stone towards personal and collective growth. The skills honed during this time patience, responsibility, and leadership—are the same strengths that will help us tackle future challenges with confidence.

As the curtains close on this year's Annual Day, let us carry forward the lessons we have learned and channel this success into every endeavour we pursue.

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Breaking News

ANNUAL DAY 2025: STORIES THAT SHAPE US

"WHERE STORIES COME TO LIFE AND SHAPE OUR FUTURE"

Our Annual Day celebration, themed "Stories That Shape Us," is a tribute to the timeless tales that inspire, educate, and transform us.

From folktales and historical legends to personal journeys and literary classics, stories have the power to shape values, spark creativity, and foster connections across generations. They teach us important life lessons, inspire us to dream, and help us understand different cultures and perspectives. The celebrations began with a captivating performance of Panch Parmeshwar by our Secondary students —a tale of justice, integrity, and moral strength, highlighting the importance of fairness in decision-making. Following this, the Primary students enchanted the audience with the musical journey of The Wizard of Oz, bringing to life themes of courage, friendship, and self-discovery through vibrant performances and melodious tunes.



Adding to the magic, our Preprimary students delivered a delightful rendition of The Lion King, celebrating the circle of life and emphasizing the importance of leadership, family, and responsibility. Their energy and enthusiasm lit up the stage, leaving the audience mesmerized.

Through engaging performances, heartfelt storytelling, and lively stage presentations, students showcased the timeless influence of stories on cultures and communities. This grand event was a true celebration of storytelling, leaving a lasting impression on all who attended.

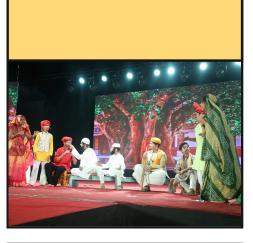




PANEL PARTESIMAR

A Remarkable Performance

One of the standout moments of our Annual Day was the captivating performance of Panch Parmeshwar by our Secondary Section students. The play beautifully conveyed the themes of justice, honesty, and friendship, showcasing the immense talent of our students and the meticulous planning behind the production. The thoughtful execution and diverse performances made this event truly unforgettable, leaving both students and audiences with lasting memories. We were honored to receive valuable guidance from renowned theatre artist Mr. Ravi Mahashabde during the practice sessions. His expertise in stage presence, body language, dialogue delivery, and other theatrical nuances helped refine the students' performances, making them even more impactful. A heartfelt appreciation to our dedicated students, teachers, and mentors who worked tirelessly to bring this production to life. Your support and encouragement make such inspiring performances possible!









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Breaking News

FORMAL FUNCTION – A MOMENT OF PRIDE AND CELEBRATION







The formal function was a prestigious occasion celebrating achievements, talent, and excellence. The event commenced with a warm welcome to our esteemed dignitaries, parents, and wellwishers. A major highlight was the Annual Report presented by our esteemed Principal, Ms. Forina Fernandes, reflecting on the school's achievements and progress over the past year.

We were honored by the presence of distinguished dignitaries, including Shri Ashok Saraf, President of Rajasthani Sammelan, and Shri Jagdishji Khemka, Hon. Joint Treasurer. Their unwavering support has been instrumental in the institution's growth.

Our Chief Guest, Dr. Alka Mandke, a renowned cardiac anesthesiologist with over 50 years of experience, graced the occasion. A recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award by the Indian Association of Cardiovascular Thoracic Anaesthesiologists and the Maharashtra Bhushan Award, her contributions to medicine, education, and philanthropy have transformed countless lives.

We were also privileged to welcome our Guest of Honour, Mr. Shivam Bajaj, a distinguished financial expert and founder of Avener Capital. With extensive experience in private equity advisory and mergers & acquisitions, he has advised on transactions worth 10 billion US dollars. His insights continue to shape the financial landscape.

Adding an element of wonder, Nivaan Gala of Grade 5 amazed the audience with his extraordinary ability to see even while blindfolded. His performance left everyone in awe, showcasing the power of focus and determination.

The Prize Distribution Ceremony recognized academic and sports achievers for their outstanding performances. The prestigious Trailblazer Award honored individuals who have made significant contributions to society. A special recognition was given to dedicated school staff members who have completed more than 10 years of service, acknowledging their invaluable commitment.

The evening continued on a high note with a mesmerizing tabla performance by Dheer Bajaj, the Head Boy of the Secondary Section, leaving the audience spellbound.

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LAUNCH OF THE RECIPE BOOK - A CULINARY MILESTONE









A remarkable moment of the evening was the launch of our much-awaited Recipe Book, "Sampada – Heritage on a Plate", a special initiative by the students of Grade 2, mentored by their teachers.

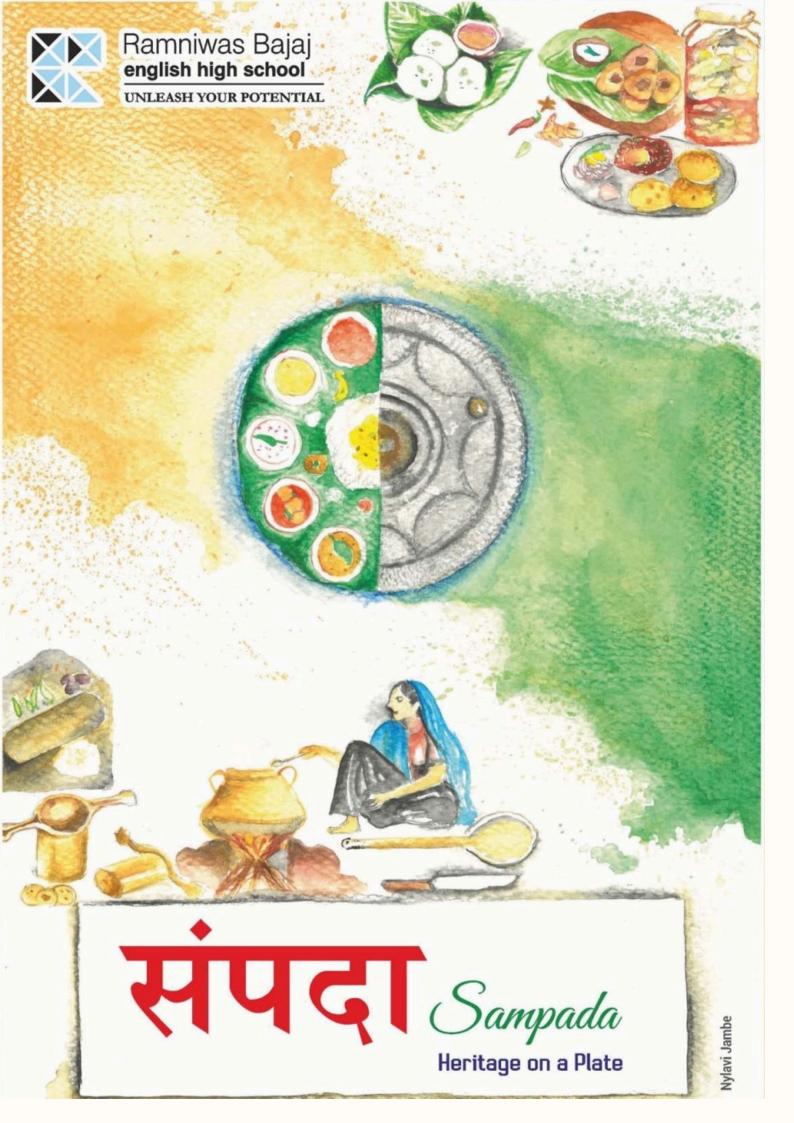
This book is a celebration of culinary heritage, reviving forgotten Indian recipes and preserving family recipes passed down through generations. It embraces the joy of cooking, creativity in the kitchen, and the passion for gastronomy that brings people together. Adding to its charm, the cover was beautifully designed by Nylavi Jambe from Grade 4, making this project a true labor of love.

We were honored to host Chef Aahana Gaur, an esteemed alumna of the Institute of Hotel Management, Mumbai, and a culinary professional with an impressive career spanning over eight years. She began her journey as a management trainee with a prestigious hotel group in Hyderabad, where she honed her skills and developed a deep passion for gastronomy.

Her dedication and talent led her to the Marriott Group, where she contributed to the culinary excellence of the Westin properties across Pune, Goa, and now Mumbai. Currently serving as a Cuisine Chef at Westin Goregaon, Chef Aahana is renowned for her creativity, precision, and ability to craft memorable dining experiences. With her extensive expertise and unwavering commitment to her craft, Chef Aahana continues to inspire and delight food enthusiasts with her exceptional culinary artistry.

The grand unveiling of the Recipe Book was led by our Principal, Ms. Forina Fernandes, along with Shri Ashok Saraf, Ms. Archita Saraf Rajpuria, and our special guest, Chef Aahana Gaur. The ceremony was a testament to the power of food in preserving tradition and bringing people together.

The evening concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks, expressing deep gratitude to all dignitaries, guests, and contributors who made this event a memorable success.



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Breaking News

HONORING EXCELLENCE: CELEBRATING **OUR AWARD RECIPIENTS**



Award Winners for the AY 2023-24

Sports Achievers -

Anika Bhatia, Grade 7, Dravya Shah, Grade 3, Daksh Shah, Grade 4

Trailblazer Awards -Anaika Faria, Grade 3, Misha Saraf, Grade 9

Vinodkumar Bajaj Foundation Trophy -Saesha Makadia Sr. Kg (all rounder), Aarush Rathod Grade 5 (General Proficiency)

Rajkamal Bajaj Foundation Trophy - Falak Vashi Grade 7 (General Proficiency), Vanessa Mehta Grade 7 (Co-curricular)

Shri Dhurmal Bajaj Trophy -Kitika Kothari, Grade 5 (Co-curricular)

Bajaj Consultants Trophy Sia Todi, Grade 9 General Proficiency), Shaarvi Vakharia, Grade 9 (Cocurricular), Best House - Topaz

Smt. Dasodevi Radheshyam Jhunjhunwala Trophy - Ms Trupti Shah (attendance)

Honouring Years of Service

Outstanding Teaching and Non - Teaching Staff Ms Prerna Kerkar, Ms Jayalaxmi Pillay, Ms Haseena Shaikh, Ms Khyati Shah, Ms Krishna Radhakrishnani, Ms Jigna Arora, Ms Shamika Jadhav, Ms Jyoti Agrawal, Ms Sumaiya Shaikh, Ms Aarti Sharma

Our Outstanding Support Staff

Prerna Karbele, Seema Salvi, Vinaya Rane, Suchita Narkar, Ashwini Ghanekar, Shyamal Karbele and Jignesh Halpati









MEARDOFOZ

A Magical Annual Day Performance

The Annual Day celebration was a spectacular showcase of talent, as our primary school students brought The Wizard of Oz to life through captivating skits and vibrant dances. Their energetic performance, filled with creativity, left the audience spellbound.

The children beautifully portrayed each role, with expressive acting and colorful costumes adding charm to the production. A major highlight was the school choir, whose melodious voices enhanced the storytelling. Their soulful renditions of SomewhereOver the Rainbow and If I had a..... made each scene even more captivating. Stunning backdrops and creative props transported the audience to Oz, making the performance a visual delight.

This timeless tale emphasizes courage, kindness, and self-belief, reminding us that the answers we seek often lie within. The event concluded with resounding applause, celebrating the dedication and artistic brilliance of our young performers.









UNVELING MORE MOMENTS



















A Roaring Performance by Pre-Primary

The Annual Day celebration was a delightful spectacle, with our pre-primary students bringing The Lion King to life in a heartwarming performance. Their adorable costumes, lively dances, and enthusiastic acting transported the audience to the African savanna, creating a truly magical experience.

The morning began with the unveiling of our Preprimary mascot, Olly the Owl, symbolizing wisdom, curiosity, and learning. Olly's presence added excitement to the event, inspiring young minds to embrace knowledge and adventure.

The little performers beautifully portrayed each character, capturing the emotions of friendship, bravery, and responsibility. A highlight of the performance was the energetic choir, whose delightful rendition of Hakuna Matata filled the audience with rhythm and melody. Their singing, combined with vibrant dances, made the show even more captivating.

The event was graced by Chief Guest Gayatri Rawal, a renowned Gujarati stage actress, known for her roles in popular plays and Hindi films like Dil Diya Hai. She has also featured in commercials, worked as an RJ on FM Rainbow, and acted in TV serials such as Shapath and Kahi Kisi Roz.

The Guest of Honour, Mrs. Deepa Bajaj, a trustee of Rajasthani Sammelan Education Trust, is a passionate writer and social contributor. Her book, Jeevan Darpan, has been widely appreciated, and as a patron member of Parmarth Seva Sammittee, she actively supports community and spiritual initiatives.

The event concluded with a grand finale as all the children gathered on stage, celebrating Simba's triumph. The performance highlighted themes of courage, perseverance, and the beauty of the natural world. Parents and teachers applauded the young stars, appreciating their effort and enthusiasm in making The Lion King a memorable experience for everyone.













THE WONDER YEARS

Makar Sankranti Celebration

The joyous festival of Makar Sankranti was celebrated with great enthusiasm, filling the day with creativity, color, and sweetness. The children had a blast engaging in a fun-filled kite craft activity, where they decorated kite cutouts using shredded paper and blotch painting. Their vibrant creations added a festive touch, symbolizing the spirit of the festival and the joy of soaring high. To make the celebration even sweeter, the little ones indulged in delicious til ladoos brought from home. These traditional sesame and jaggery sweets not only delighted their taste buds but also highlighted the significance of sharing and togetherness.

The day was a perfect blend of art, tradition, and joy, leaving the children with happy memories of celebrating this special occasion.





Student Achievement * Heartiest congratulations to Yami Mittal for securing top honors in: ✓ Olympiad Colouring Competition Master Mind English Competition Master Mind Math Competition Skating Competition Your exceptional talent, dedication, and perseverance have earned you a place among the best! Keep shining and inspiring others with your achievements! PRIMARY SNAPSHOTS

BUILDING HEALTHY HABITS WITH BUNS & EGGS

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Grade 1 students created healthy burgers inspired by the story Buns & Eggs from their English Reader, Fitzroy's book. They enthusiastically drew their burgers and explored the importance of healthy eating, understanding how nutritious food strengthens the body and boosts energy.

Bringing Stories to Life with Origami

Inspired by The Kidnapped Fairy from their Fitzroy English Reader, Grade 2 students crafted beautiful origami fairies. This hands-on activity transported them to a magical world where good triumphs over evil, making the story come alive. Through this creative process, they not only honed their crafting skills but also explored the elements of storytelling in an engaging and imaginative Way.



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PRIMARY SNAPSHOTS REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATION & THE CHEF'S KITCHEN COMPETITION

Where Passion Meets Perfection on Every Plate!

RBHS Presents: The Chef's Kitchen Competition

As part of our Republic Day celebrations, RBHS proudly organized The Chef's Aitchen Competition on 31st January 2025 to honor India's culinary heritage. This exciting event encouraged students to explore traditional flavors, embrace healthy eating, and showcase their creativity through food.

Students celebrated India's diverse cuisine, using ingredients of Indian origin to create delicious dishes that reflected their love for the nation.

The competition for Grades 4 & 5 showcased innovation and presentation skills, while the activity for Grades 1, 2 & 3 introduced young learners to the joy of cooking. This event was a perfect blend of patriotism and creativity, making learning fun and meaningful.

We applaud our young chefs for their enthusiasm and talent in bringing India's flavors to life!



SECONDARY SCOOP



Hobby Clubs On 17th January, the school clubs organized engaging activities centered around the theme of Republic Day. The Cultural Club created inspiring reels on Love for Country, while the Literary Club crafted patchwork poetry by blending lines from various poems. Adding a delicious twist, the Culinary Club prepared tricolor sushi, celebrating the spirit of the nation through creativity and

flavor.

RBHS Ka Dabba - A Culinary Showcase

On 31st January 2024, RBHS hosted "RBHS Ka Dabba", where Grades 6 to 9 students prepared wholesome, nutritious, and creative tiffins using homemade ingredients like paneer-based cream cheese and beetroot-spinach rotis. Judged by Ms. Shishira Lele (catering expert) and Mr. Vivek Tiwari (professional), teams were evaluated on taste, nutrition, creativity, and hygiene. The judges praised the innovative dishes and students' commitment to healthy cooking.











SECONDARY SCOOP

Grade 9 Students Attend National Youth Day Celebration at IIMUN





Our Grade 9 students had the privilege of attending the National Youth Day celebration at IIMUN, where General Anil Chauhan, India's second Chief of Defence Staff, shared his inspiring thoughts on "What India Means to Him." He drew lessons from the Armed Forces, encouraging young leaders to shape a better future. The event began with a welcome address by industrialist Ajay Piramal, followed by a stirring rendition of the National Anthem by renowned vocalist Shantanu Mukherjee. Held at Bal Gandharv Auditorium, Bandra, Mumbai, the session left a lasting impact on our students, deepening their motivation and commitment to driving meaningful change.

Grade 10 Students Engage in Insightful Session with Former Prime Minister of Montenegro

Grade 10 students Anmol Shah, Shaarvi Vakharia, and Misha Saraf had the privilege of attending an interactive session organized by India's International Movement to the United Nations (I.I.M.U.N.) at its headquarters. They had the rare opportunity to meet and interact with Mr. Igor Luksic, Former Prime Minister of Montenegro, discussing International Relations and the Role of Youth in global affairs. The session provided valuable insights into the workings of world organizations like the United Nations and how young leaders can contribute to global change. It was an engaging and enriching experience for our students.





SECONDARY SCOOP



Makar Sankranti-Creating Awareness through Hobby Clubs

On January 10th, our Hobby Clubs came alive with engaging activities, all themed around Makar Sankranti. Team Udaan addressed members of the Indoor, Cultural, Nature, and Art Clubs, raising awareness about the harmful effects of Chinese thread (manjha) on birds and ways to protect them. Meanwhile, the Culinary Club crafted a delightful three-course menu, while the Literary Club enjoyed a word puzzle challenge. Each club's activities added meaning and excitement to the celebration, making it a day of learning, creativity, and festive spirit.

Ms. Jisha Das Represents at IIMUN's Economics & Finance Tour 2025

Ms. Jisha Das from Grade 10 had the prestigious opportunity to attend the IIMUN Economics & Finance Tour 2025 in Mumbai. Alongside fellow participants, she explored key financial institutions and engaged in insightful reflective sessions on economic and financial strategies.

Key Takeaways from the Tour:

📈 Risk equals reward – Invest wisely.

- Innovation, humility, and adaptability are essential.
 Empower society through education and trust-
- building.
- Ø Prioritize long-term goals over short-term gains.
- Talent and teamwork drive success.

This enriching experience provided valuable insights into the world of finance and economics, inspiring future leaders in the field.



IC3 Regional Forum 2025: Advancing Counseling in



Schools

The IC3 Regional Forum held on 11 January 2025 marked a significant step forward in advancing the mission of bringing counseling to every school. Hosted at DPS Panvel with the help of Principal Sakshi Mishra, the event set the tone for collaboration and inspiration in the new year.

With powerful sessions addressed by Mr Ganesh Kohli on Counseling as a Culture, Mr. Ashwin Srisailam giving an impactful 5 step guide to Think Learn and Unlearn and Tarun Malik speaking about the impact of AI the Forum was one of its kind. It brought together leaders, counselors, educators, and passionate student volunteers who collectively contributed to the event's success. Their shared commitment to fostering a global culture of counseling created a space for impactful dialogue and innovative ideas.

Celebrating the 76th Republic Day with Pride!

Marking the 76th Republic Day, we honored the values of justice, liberty, equality, and fraternity that define our nation. The celebration showcased India's unity in diversity, with students delivering inspiring performances.

The day began with the hoisting of the Tricolor by Chief Guest Smt. Sharda Bubna and President Shri Ashokji Saraf, followed by a stirring rendition of the National Anthem by the School Band and Flag Song by Ms. Mudra Dhuri. The cultural program featured:

 Sanskriti Ke Rang' by Draupadi Devi Sanwarmal Women's Hostel-A vibrant folk dance celebrating India's diversity.
 Dance on Societal Evils by Mainadevi Bajaj International School- A powerful act highlighting issues like corruption and gender violence.
 Samvidhaan Geet' by DSJC - A musical tribute to the Constitution's ideals.

Speech on Unity & National Pride by Kudilal Govindram Seksaria School – A stirring address on national values.

Dance of Devotion & Patriotism by Ramniwas Bajaj English High School – A mesmerizing blend of spirituality and patriotism.

Each performance reflected India's strength and resilience. As we celebrate, let's pledge to uphold the values that make our nation truly incredible!







CELEBRATING STUDENT EXCELLENCE



Grade 7 Students Shine in Maharashtra Times Quiz!

The Maharashtra Times of India organized an exciting quiz competition for Grades 6 & 7, including a preliminary round where three of our talented Grade 7 students—Palash Shah, Mishti Chandramania, and Banaj Bansal—qualified for Round 2.

Their hard work and teamwork paid off as they secured the 2nd Runner-Up position in the final round!

Congratulations to our young quiz champions! 🏅 듣







Outstanding Achievements in CCF International Level Painting Competition! ??

We are proud to celebrate the remarkable success of our students in the CCF International Level Painting Competition! Gold Medal Winners: Shaarvi Vakharia (10B) Dhravya Shah (4A) Samaira Chouhan (2A) Jay Dodia (4B) Mrunmayi Sawant (2A)



CELEBRATING STUDENT EXCELLENCE



Dhravya Shah Shines at Maharashtra State Gymnastics Championship 2025! ¥ 🟆

CHAMPION

Congratulations to Dhravya Shah (Grade 4A) for his stellar performance at the Maharashtra Amateur Gymnastics Association State-Level Championship 2025 held in Chiplun! Gold Medal – High Bar Silver Medal – All-Round

- Team Championship
- 🕈 Bronze Medal Parallel Bar
- Bronze Medal Still Rings

His dedication and talent continue to inspire us all! Keep soaring high, Dhravya!

Khushan Creates a National Record in the OMG Book of Records! 🟆 🛠

We are delighted to celebrate an outstanding achievement by Khushan and his team! Together, they set a joint national record in the OMG Book of Records by completing a stunning mosaic in just 4 hours—an accomplishment that would typically take 8 to 9 hours. Using over 2,000 Rubik's cubes, they skillfully created portraits of Virat Kohli, Gukesh, and Manu Bhaker. Congratulations to these young talents on their incredible feat!

Jay Dodia Shines in Bhaskar Trophy Under-12

The Bhaskar Trophy is a prestigious competition that provides young athletes with a platform to showcase their skills and sportsmanship. It is known for its competitive spirit and emphasis on nurturing budding talent in various sports categories. The tournament attracts participants from different schools and regions, offering them an opportunity to gain valuable experience and recognition. Recently, Jay Dodia from Standard 4B participated in the Bhaskar Trophy Under-12 category, demonstrating dedication and enthusiasm in the competition. His participation reflects the commitment and hard work required to excel in such events, inspiring his peers to strive for excellence in sports.

Events in the Spotlight

Star Attractions

Friday, 7th February - Star Gazing Event (Grades 3-8) Friday, 14th February - Elocution Competition Monday, 24th February - Overnight Trip (Grade 1&2) Friday, 28th February - Fantabulous Friday (National Science Day)

Reminders

Wednesday, 19th February -Holiday (Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti)

Wednesday, 26th February -Holiday (Mahashivratri)



The Student Showcase

Art Work By Ms Shaarvi Vakharia -Grade 10