

# **Chaman Bhartiya Connect**

Chief Editor - Pallavi Joshi



## **DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE, JULY 2022**

Welcome to the third academic year at Chaman Bhartiya School. A very warm welcome to our "old" parents, "new" parents, and to the many new learners and facilitators.

We are excited to begin our first "normal" academic year, where we will have our learners and facilitators under the same roof. We have already implemented many of our plans for the school, but without the restrictions of online or hybrid learning models, we can and will do much more.

Our vision statement is: "Makers of Leaders". This vision is supported at the ground level by our "We Lead Curriculum" and "We Lead Pedagogy". After the Covid-19 lockdown, we feel more than ever that our holistic approach is the right approach. Academics must walk hand in hand with social and emotional development. The leadership pillars constitute the core of our learning activities.

All over the globe, children are behind in essential academic literacies such as math, science, reading and writing. This is a scenario observed in all schools globally. A similar trend has been observed in Chaman Bhartiya School. This year we will stress on academic rigour and ensure that there are no academic gaps. But we will not compromise on the holistic approach. We want the learners to thrive and be happy.

In our transition to normalcy, we will now provide food for the learners who sign up for it.

"Indoor and outdoor" PE classes will be conducted. Lessons will be conducted in the multipurpose hall and at the sports field in front of the building, which will be inaugurated in August. Swimming lessons will also begin in the pool ( with the parent's permission). For special activities, we will take the learners by bus to XLR8.

We have recently inaugurated the Innovation Lab, essential to our COCAI concept (Centre of Creativity and Innovation). Other COCAI facilities include our labs for visual arts, music, dance and drama and our podcast studio. Soon, COCAI will also have a hydroponics garden.

To introduce the learners to the COCAI facilities, we will have separate COCAI lessons in our timetable. We look forward to seeing how our learners implement design thinking in their projects and use our COCAI facilities.

Unfortunately, covid is not over. Hopefully, the schools will not be closed again. We will, of course, implement a strict safety protocol.

Warm Regards
Allan Kjaer Andersen
Director & Principal
Chaman Bhartiya School.

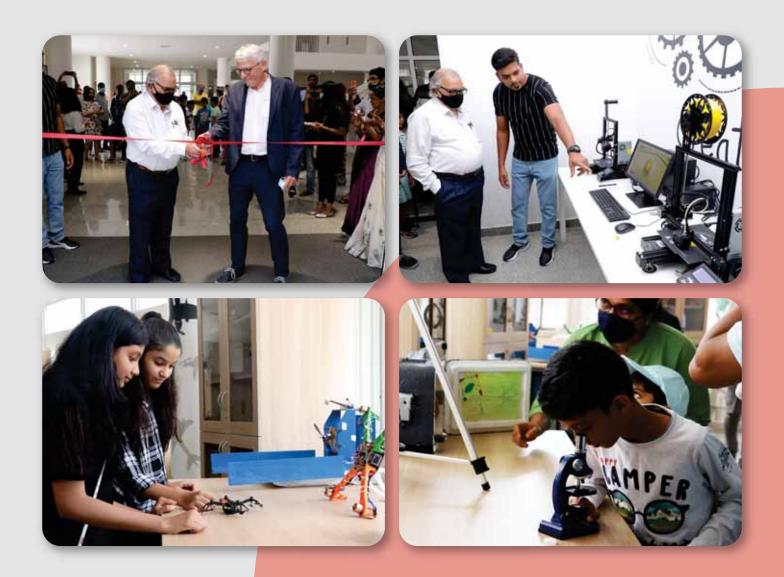
### INAUGURATION OF THE INNOVATION LAB AT CHAMAN BHARTIYA SCHOOL

On 2nd July, the school launched its 'Innovation Lab' - a unique destination that facilitates hands-on learning. The launch was inaugurated by special guest Dr. P Venkatakrishnan, former Director of Udaipur Solar Laboratory, Physical Research Laboratory, Department of Space.

The Innovation lab at Chaman Bhartiya School is a destination which facilitates hands-on learning. It gives students the opportunity to apply knowledge that they have learned in the classroom in real-life. It also fosters curiosity, critical thinking, innovation and allows students to "experience" science.

The Innovation Lab hosts LEGO® education, space education, robotics, coding, 3D printing, aero-modelling, agri-tech and skills development (carpentry, drilling and soldering).

Several parents and students got the opportunity to see a glimpse of the now fully functional innovation lab, as they learned about the various tools and equipment at our students' disposal.



### **ORIENTATION PROGRAMME FOR PARENTS - 2022/23 ACADEMIC YEAR**

We recently concluded our orientation programme for parents for the 2022/23 academic year. The parents were introduced to new initiatives that will be introduced in the new academic year as well as the overall framework of the academic year. They were also briefed about the types of assessments which will be carried out this academic year as well as the various events - both academic and extracurricular that are lined up over the next year.



#### **MEET THE STAFF**

Divya Raghav is a grade 6 home room facilitator who also teaches physics, chemistry, and maths at Chaman Bhartiya School. Her motto in life is 'Aajivanam Gnyanwardhnam' which means lifelong learning. She recently completed her Master's in Education from the University of the People along with a few courses on teaching and learning from Stanford University and Harvard graduate school of education. She believes that learning is a way of life and that it goes beyond the premises of schools and universities. According to her, curiosity is at the epicentre of the learning process.

"In my pedagogical approach, I try to engage students' curiosity. I try to ask them questions which embark on enquiry. Chaman Bhartiya's education aligns with my understanding of learning, thus working here has been meaningful. I think I am making a difference in my students' life as well as mine by being a more mindful, empathetic, curious, and fun learner", she said, on her philosophy of education.

