

Chaman Bhartiya Connect

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DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE, SEPTEMBER 2022

We are now two months into the academic year and the learners have settled. The new learners and facilitators have now aligned and can focus more intensely on learning. We are introducing "normal" school events and assemblies. Soon, we will have our first Parent-Facilitators meeting, where parents will get feedback about their child and report cards will be sent before the meeting.

To make it easy for parents to track the learning journey of their child, we upload a monthly planner for all the subjects. We have introduced the school diary, but I know that there is quite a way to go before it functions as the information channel it should. We have started implementing a physical learner portfolio, which will be shared with parents frequently. It is also possible to see the child's test results and the digital learning materials on iCloud.

I hope that all these initiatives will make parents feel informed about what is happening in classes and how the children succeed.

In the next term, we will reintroduce the coffee morning, where parents can meet facilitators to discuss and share feedback about general issues in the classes.

The government has requested schools to be shut for two days due to the floods in many districts of Bangalore. We respect this decision, and the school days will be replaced on Saturdays this academic year. I apologise for the inconvenience, but this is an emergency that is out of our hands.

In the 2nd term, we will start using the outdoor sports facilities and will be introducing after-school activities as well. The completion of the sports field might be delayed due to rains, which is making it impossible to level the ground.

We expect to get our provisional certification for ICSE and authorisation for IB before the end of this academic year. Right now, we are in the process of preparing all the documents required by the boards. In January, we will have an orientation meeting for the parents of learners from grade 6, 7, and 8 about the boards and the plan for bifurcation. At the orientation meeting, representatives from the two boards will be present, as well as a career counsellor.

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

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

Our learners celebrated the 75th Independence Day on campus by showcasing the diverse cultures of India through various art forms. Learners first assembled in front of the school building for the flag hoisting which was followed by a short welcome speech by Naira of Grade 2. The flag hoisting was followed by our learners passionately singing the national anthem.

The Independence day function highlighted the talent of several young learners. The programme resumed with an introduction speech by Aradhana Praveen of Grade 3. Director and Principal, Allan Andersen, then delivered a speech highlighting the importance of freedom and democracy to the learners. This was followed by a brilliant fancy dress display by the learners of Grade 1 & 2 showcasing the different cultural clothing and fashion from various parts of the country.

Grade 5 learners sang a patriotic song in Kannada while Grade 6 learners Sharanya and Arya gave a powerful speech on 'Independence' in Kannada. The function continued with two dazzling dance performances by learners of Grade 5 and then Grades 7 & 8. The final act of the show was a delightful English song performance put together by Grade 5 learners. The function concluded with a vote of thanks by Grade 4 learner Dustan.

Our Early Years learners celebrated Independence Day in a unique way as well! Each learner dressed either in their traditional attire or as a freedom fighter and discussed the national symbols of India with their friends. Firstly, they discussed the National animal for which our EY1 learners made a Tiger Mask Craft followed by a discussion on the National Bird for which our EY2 and 3 learners created Peacock Crowns. They then had a fun time dancing with one another.



LAUNCH OF THE STUDENT LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

Last month, we launched the Student Leadership Council (SLC) at Chaman Bhartiya School. The SLC is an initiative based on our Leadership Pillars of *Learning to Act* and *Learning to Lead*. With the SLC, we aim to create a body of young leaders who shall have the voice and choice to enhance their learning environment. Each student council leader was represented through a democratic process of nominations followed by grade-wise voting by all learners.

The leadership positions in the SLC include the President, Vice President, Sports Captain, House Representatives, Deputy House Representatives and Class Ministers. For the academic year 2022-23, Adhvik Kaartikeya of Grade 8 has been elected as the President while Shaunak Singh Matharoo of Grade 7 was elected as the Vice President.



EDUCATIONAL TRIP TO THE MUSEUM OF HISTORY AND ARCHEOLOGY

Our lively Grade 4 and 5 students recently took an educational trip to the Museum of History and Archeology, Kasturba Road. The goal of the trip was for students to experience the different sources of archaeology. As part of our history curriculum, our learners are studying archaeological site excavations, and sources of archaeology like carvings, coins, paintings and statues, which could potentially stand as pieces of evidence of historical events. They were further exposed to the scientific approach of how we interpret this evidence to provide context to what happened in the past.



OUR LITTLE ACHIEVERS



Krishnadiya, from Grade 4, won the Second Best Female Singer award at the Media Hub International Award fest.



Jaina, from Grade 4, sang at the Bhartiya Mall of Bengaluru when the Indian Army Band performed as part of the Independence day celebration.

LEARNERS CELEBRATED NATIONAL SPORTS DAY WITH FUN EXERCISES

On National Sports Day, our learners celebrated fitness and sports values with a series of fun fitness exercises for our learners. They performed a variety of exciting physical activities including the Twist Challenge, Sit and Reach, Burpee Challenge, Plank Challenge, Mountain Climbers and Shoulder Taps, with a goal to inculcate a healthy lifestyle among our learners.

"It's important to stay active because it protects our body from diseases, helps manage mental health better and boosts immunity." said Edwin, the Physical Education Facilitator, on his objective of the exercises.



MEET THE STAFF

Gail Dias is a primary year Home Room Facilitator who teaches social studies, mathematics and English for Grades 1, 3 and 4 at Chaman Bhartiya School.

Her teaching philosophy focuses on not just imparting knowledge, but also learning more in the process. She aspires to influence the next generation and mould them into responsible youths of tomorrow.

She has three years of experience as a middle school and high school teacher at St. Joseph's Boys School as well as 8 years of corporate experience in various multinational companies. She is a B.Ed graduate with requisite experience in teaching and corporate, she has recently completed her Post Graduation Diploma in International Education from Birmingham City University at Indus Training and Research Institute (ITARI).

She is passionate about History and Earth Sciences; and is gifted with good sense of humour and excellent dance moves. She aims to use the platform that Chaman Bhartiya provides to hone and sharpen her teaching capabilities.

