

Modern School Barakhamba Celebrates its 97th Founder's Day

On 11th November, 2017, Modern School, Barakhamba Road, celebrated its 97th Founder's Day with grandiose. The Honourable Minister of Railways and Coal, Mr. Piyush Goyal, presided over the event as its Chief Guest, and addressed the august gathering. The occasion was graced with the presence of Mr. Ashok Pratap Singh, President, Board of Trustees, Modern Schools, Mr Vijay Chaddha, Chairman, Modern School, Barakhamba and the members of the Board of Trustees.

The Principal, Dr Vijay Datta, addressed the gathering and read the academic report for the year 2016-2017. Not only did the congregation celebrate the vision of the founder, Lala Raghubir Singh, but also expressed pride in the efforts and achievements of the students made over the course of the entire academic year, through the Prize distribution ceremony where the best of meritorious students, in both academics and Sports, were honoured with medals and trophies.

The students put together a series of performances to entertain the audience and showcase their talents. The evening began with a performance by the school orchestra that performed the evening *Raag*, *Raag Bagheshwari* and a fusion of Indo-Arabic music; the night was also vivified by the energetic *jugalbandi* of India's traditional Odissi and Kathak dance performance. A choir of students trained in classical Hindustani music lit up the evening with their performance of the *melody* "Charishnu" based on Raag Jog. This led to the crux of the evening, the annual ballet: This year the ballet *Pratham Paarth*. narrated the story of Mahabharat's Karna, who exemplifies the all-encompassing sense of suffering and the nobility of overcoming our own baser natures. The evening came to an end with the inauguration of 'My Space' which overflowed with the abundance of creativity of the students in various fields like Poetry, photography, Paper technology, Fashion and so much more.

