



# Modern Newsletter

Year 2015 ..

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



Dr Vijay Datta

Each passing year is a learning experience; it is an endless journey which opens up new vistas of development, where there is neither scope nor room for pettiness, disharmony, jealousy, hatred, enmity or complacency.

Hence, we must all rise above the rhetoric and endeavour to make the world a better place.

## Modern This Week

- Pratap Singh debate
- IAYP – community service
- Paper recycling workshop
- Achievements 2014-15
- Book Week
- Heritage Walk
- Sports News

## THE PRATAP SINGH JUNIOR DEBATE

The Pratap Singh Junior Debate was held in our school on 28/04/2015. It was an inter school debate competition for students of class VIII in which nine teams of prestigious schools of Delhi-NCR participated. The topic of the debate was **"Peer Pressure is Beneficial"**. From each team one speaker presented his views for the motion and the other speaker presented his ideas against the motion. The time limit given to every speaker was 3 minutes. The judges of this debate were - Ms Mona Budhraj and Ms Poonam Agarwal. The views presented by each debator were very effective and the speakers were eloquent.



Best Speaker (for)	Ayushi Mahendru, St Thomas School
Best Speaker (against)	Angira Mishora, Shri Ram School
Runner Up (for)	Udayvir S Kochhar, Modern School, Barakhamba Rd
Runner Up (against)	Aryan Ramabhadran, The Mother's Int'l School
Best School	Shri Ram School



## I. A. Y. P. (INTERNATIONAL AWARD FOR YOUNG PEOPLE)

Students of the IAYP(International Award for Young People) under the able guidance of Mrs Sangeeta Narula, Mr Virmani and Flt Lt (Mrs) Sunita Dixit have been making a good progress on the events of sports, skill and community service.



Recently they attended a adventurous trip to the peach valley, Shimla where they did activities such as river crossing, rock climbing, rappelling, fox flying, crossing of the Burma bridge and trekking. They also spread awareness of cleanliness at the India Gate as a part of community service.

## PAPER RECYCLING WORKSHOP

Paper recycling workshops have being organised for the last 15 years for the American Embassy School, New Delhi. A paper technology workshop was held from April 13 to 24th. In the 5 day workshop, students of the American Embassy School learned how to make paper pulp, make their own recycled paper, marbling (paper decoration) and origami. Modern school students conducted the workshops.



Paper Recycling Workshop



Ms. Sharon Lowen with students of American Embassy School & Modern School



# ACHIEVEMENTS 2014-15

## Achievements in April

1. Intra House Environment Quiz on 20<sup>th</sup> Apr- 3rd Shubhang Gopal, Aryaman Jain, Siddhant Chandra excelled in it.
2. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya College Quiz 2nd Apr.- Finalist among college teams - 4th place Shubhang Gopal, Ayan Marwaha
3. JSTSE 2015- cleared stage 1



## BOOK WEEK

The Book Week was organized from the 20th to the 24th of April by the library department of Modern School Barakhamba Road, held a series of weeklong activities to help students explore the world of books.

**DAY 1- Mr. Rajdeep Sardesai**, a famous Indian journalist was the guest for the opening ceremony on 20th April. He shared his experiences and stories of success.

**DAY 2- On 21st April**, the second day of the Book Week the students of class S2-C met the renowned author **MS Vinita Krishna**.

**DAY 3- Dr. Davika Rangachari** has won several awards for the children writing. Her book *growing up* was nominated to the honor list of the International Board of Young People as most outstanding entry.

**DAY 4- Mr. Ajit Narayan**, a professional cartoonist, drawing for various print media for the last 20 years conducted a 'cartooning workshop' for S1, played with the different emotions of human mind.

**Day 5- Ms Tanya Chaudhury** a lawyer by profession and an Alumni interacted with the students of S 3 C She created an environment for the students to interact with each other about the problems they face and offered possible solutions





## HERITAGE WALK

The Modern School Heritage Walk for S1-A on April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2015 was a tour de force, encompassing diverse facets of the School's lineage and antiquity. Leading the walk, Ms. Beeba Sobti articulated upon the School's crest and its iconographic significance, 'the' Banyan Tree and its accompanying legend and the Hunter aircraft, majestically placed in the front lawns.



Mahatma Gandhi's visit to Modern was a leitmotif-leaving many students overwhelmed-this insight along with the signage showcasing the architectural heritage of C.G and F B.Blomfield's master creation, as also the viewing of the First Day Cover commemorating the School's Platinum Jubilee-left all wonderstruck. Traversing the PJB, Boarding House, the sprawling greens, squash courts, Sir Shankar Lal Hall, the walk culminated with the students serenading the terrace of Sobha Singh Block-opening new vistas to the warp and weft of what constitutes a true 'Modernite'.

## SPORTS NEWS

Modern School, Barakhamba Road defeated wood stock school, Mussoorie in a Basket Ball Tournament by 6 Points.

