



# CHRONICLE THE MODERN SCHOOL WEEKLY

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## Lending a helping hand!

Modern School has always believed in giving back to the society and teaching its students compassion, selflessness and empathy. The second wave of COVID-19 has resulted in a terrifying onslaught of illness, hunger and misery throughout the country, making survival exceedingly difficult for those living below the poverty line.

The heart wrenching situation that has prevailed in Delhi for several months led some of the trustees of the school along with the members of the managing committee and the various stakeholders of Modern School, to come together and help the people in need. Under the valuable guidance of Mrs Anuradha Singh, Modern School, Barakhamba Road took an initiative and utilized the school hostel kitchen to provide healthy, nutritious, and hygienically packed meals to the less privileged section of our society. 15,000 meals were served with dignity to those in need in several parts of the city.

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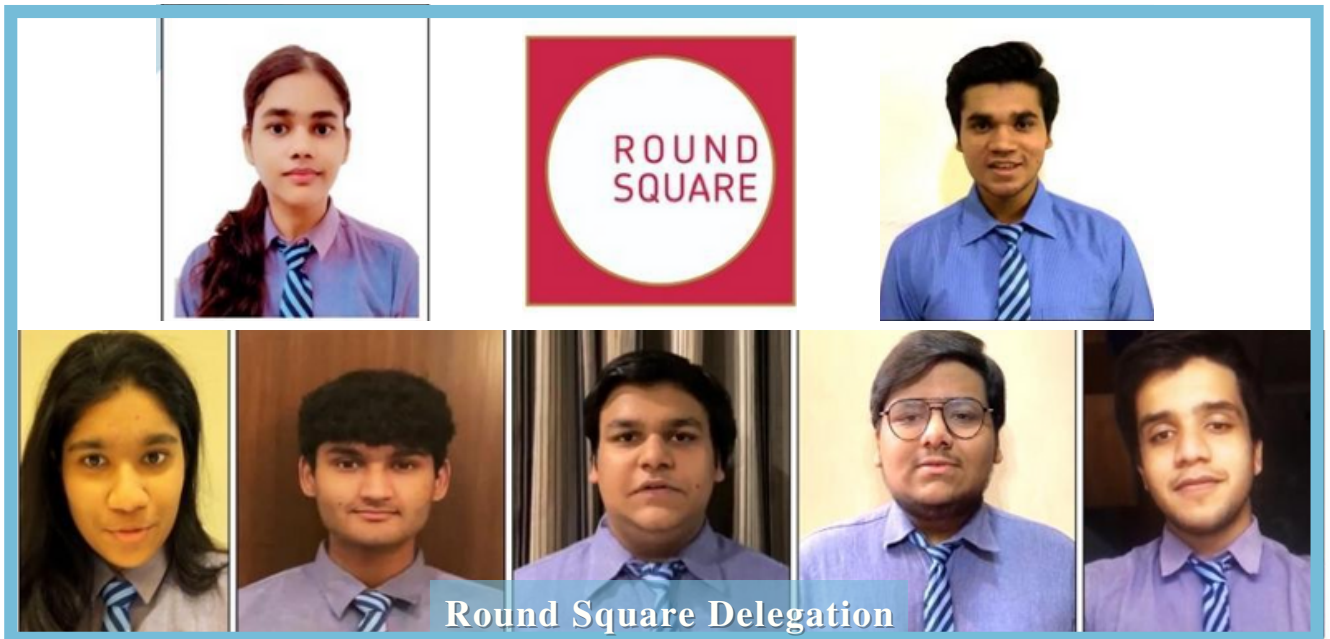
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## Round Square – Community Service Initiative

A Community Service Initiative (CSI) – ‘Service in Action’ was launched by the South Asia and Gulf Region of Round Square. Forty six participating Round Square schools globally conducted their CSI projects under the DO, MAKE, FIX, HOST, TEACH, DONATE, and VOLUNTEER platforms over the month of April. This month-long event was held in commemoration of ‘The International Day of Service’, globally recognized annually on May 7.

Akshat Garg (S7E), Arin Mittal (S7F), Arnav Sharma (S7E), Manya Aggarwal (S7F), Shaurya Mittal (S7F), Suryansh Gupta (S7I) and Vrinda Gupta (S7C) from Modern School, Barakhamba Road participated in this Round Square. Modern School Delegation organized a five-day workshop titled ‘Sweet Smiles’. The delegation explained the ‘Right to Education’ to the underprivileged children of our society. Under the ‘FIX- IT’ category of ‘Service in Action’, the students tried to fix the problem of lack of creative learning during the pandemic.

The aim of the delegation was to coach the students to think more creatively and innovatively. They taught students origami, sketching, creative writing (poems, paragraphs, stories, etc.), and also discussed mental math tips and tricks. These activities helped students exercise the creative channels of their brain, thus, strengthening out-of-the-box thinking. The students presented their final work in the form of a digital video.

**'CGS POET LAUREATE' Competition**

"We've learned that quiet isn't always peace. In the norms and notions of what just is isn't always justice."  
- Amanda Gorman

If you are motivated by the messages, language, rhythm and delivery of the inspiring, Youth Poet Laureate, Amanda Gorman enter the 2021 CGS Poet Laureate Competition.

**Guidelines:**

- This year's theme is inspired by the work of Amanda Gorman.
- Based on the RS discovery of COURAGE.
- Your entry must be a video recitation of your original poem, no longer than 2 minutes.
- You are encouraged to write on an issue that you are passionate about.
- Please send in your entry no later than 15th April 2021.
- Each school may send a maximum of 3 entries.
- Email your entry to [ziamohiuddincgs@gmail.com](mailto:ziamohiuddincgs@gmail.com)
- Winner, 1st and 2nd Runner's Up will get a donation to their favourite school charity.

**Organizing Committee:**

Mahine Khan, Head (Upper School)	Moraine Fazal, CEB Founder	Ashley Chapman, Head (Upper School)	Simon Lamb, Headmaster	John O'Connor, Managing Director

"The new dawn blooms as we free it. For there is always

## CGS Poet Laureate

The 'Poet Laureate Competition' was hosted by Chittagong Grammar School, Bangladesh in April 2021. Round Square Schools from all over the world were virtually invited to participate in the competition. Mansha Agarwal (S4B), Yana Jain (S4B) and Parinistha Surya (S7E) participated in the event and represented Modern School Barakhamba Road, under the guidance of Ms Shalini Dahiya and Ms Himani Bakshi.

The young poets were encouraged to write about an issue they felt passionate about. Motivated by the messages, language, rhythm and delivery of the inspiring Young Poet Laureate, the students were asked to send a video recitation of their original poem, no longer than two minutes by 15<sup>th</sup> April, 2020.

It was an enlightening experience for the young poets, who creatively brought important topics into limelight by the medium of poetry, following the footsteps of Amanda Gorman, the youngest poet in the US history.





## Adieu!!

Ms Archna Shukla served in the English Department of Modern School Barakhamba Road, for 8 years. Principal, Dr Vijay Datta, felicitated Ms Archna Shukla and presented her with a memento on this occasion. The Modern School fraternity wishes her the absolute best for all her future endeavours.



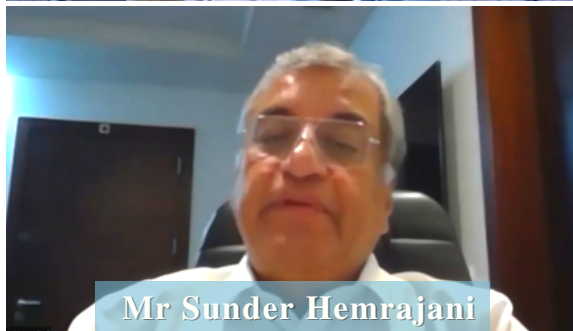
Principal Dr Vijay Datta felicitating Ms Archna Shukla



Dr Vijay Datta



The School Choir



Mr Sunder Hemrajani

## Prayer Meeting

A virtual prayer meeting was organised by MSOSA on 17<sup>th</sup> May 2021 to extend condolences to the bereaved families of the Modern School Fraternity members who lost their loved ones due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Principal, Dr Vijay Datta extended his deep sympathy and shared the grief of the bereaved families. Mr Sunder Hemrajani, President MSOSA also extended his heartfelt sympathies in this hour of grief and spoke briefly about the irreparable loss of the families and extended a thanks to all those who attended the meeting. Modern School students sang the song “Himmat Na Harna” giving strength to the grieving families and comforting them in this difficult time.