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Inclusiveness in Action

Modern School, Barakhamba Road, has taken a tangible step towards promoting an inclusive and pluralistic society. Within the revered walls of the historic Shri Shankar Lal Auditorium, the inauguration of **SPORTABILITY** took place on May 7th, 2022. This marked the initiation of an inclusive **Sports Academy at Modern School, Barakhamba Road**, with the intent of providing world-class sports facilities to children with special needs. **SPORTABILITY** aspires to provide a platform that facilitates the transformation of the needs of such children from being impediments in their growth to being sources of inspiration for the entire world.

The event was attended by various dignitaries, including Mr Ashok Pratap Singh, Former President, Board of Trustees, Ms Anuradha Pratap Singh, President, Board of Trustees, Ms Ambika Pant, Secretary, Board of Trustees, Ms Mira Pradeep Singh, Treasurer, Board of Trustees, Ms Geetanjali Chanda, Member, Board of Trustees, Col Chadda, Chairman, School Managing Committee, Modern School, Barakhamba Road, Col. Ashok Mor, Director, Principal, MNSS Rai and the Principal, Dr Vijay Datta. Their presence symbolized the support of the entire Modern School fraternity towards furthering a socially important cause. The day's proceedings were embellished by

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highly motivational and congratulatory video messages from prominent personalities, viz Virender Sehwag, Murali Karthik, Ajit Agarkar and Modern School's alumni, Ayush Badoni, who expressed their delight at the inception of such a morally ideal opportunity for children with special needs. The inauguration also included an enlightening speech by the Principal, Dr Vijay Datta. He shared anecdotes about the various famous sportspersons and individuals who converted their

disabilities into stepping stones to success and encouraged the young athletes. The day's highlight was the various outdoor activities that were carried out as a preview of the actual sports activities which will be undertaken as part of the SPORTABILITY academy. Adapted sports events like fitness drills, football, tennis, basketball and cricket took place to boost the spirits and motivate the children with special needs.



This created a sense of inclusiveness amongst the young athletes, and everyone participated with intense vigour. Overall, it was an exemplary event centred around nurturing such capable children in an inclusive environment and ensuring their development into outstanding and confident individuals.

MATHEMENTS the Maths of monuments

The Mathements Competition 2022 was hosted by Birla Public School, Pilani on Friday, 29th April 2022. Twenty one schools took part in this prestigious Round Square Competition. The driving question was the role of Mathematics in building the majestic monuments of the world.

The Modern School, Barakhamba Road delegation comprised of Anaisha Mathu(S2A) Naman Khanna(S2D) , Sumair Sidhanshu Chopra(S2C) ,Laavanya Bhagwat (S3C), Prathmesh Aggarwal (S3A) and Rhythma Rewal (S3A). The



students were mentored by Ms Nancy Khara and Ms Shalini Dahiya, RS Representative, Modern School. Before the live event, the selected students worked together to prepare their presentation. Each school team was allotted 3 countries/states/regions and had to research their famous historic monuments and the role of the mathematics behind their construction. Modern school was allotted Greece, China, and Telangana.

The competition began with the address by the Principal of the host school which was followed

by a second speech given by the first Keynote Speaker, Mr Vikramjit Singh. He gave an interesting speech on the theory of how the ancient civilisations used mathematics in poetry, architecture and other aspects related to the arts. It contradicted the belief that mathematics is only used for rigorous academic purposes. It was incredible to view the projects prepared by delegations around the world. They were then split into Baraza rooms where an ice-breaker session took place. Then the second Keynote address was given by Dr Preeti Nigam. It was a great learning experience for all those in attendance.

A Season in Verse

“The harder you work for something, the greater you will feel when you achieve it.” The Quest-2022 was an Inter School Competition organised by **The Air Force School, Subroto Park, New Delhi** on 28th and 29th April 2022. The theme of the Festival was ‘**Unscripted- ‘A New Tomorrow’**’. One of the events titled- “A Season in Verse” was a poetry competition where the participants composed a poem on a season. Anahita Wadhwa(S2D) of Modern School, Barakhamba Road, bagged the **First Position** in the Poetry Recitation competition under the guidance of Ms Sasha Banhotra.

The poetry was a self-composition on ‘Autumn Season’ beautifully recited by the position holder titled “An Ode to a Leaf” reminding the readers about the beauty that exists in the world, as every end has a new beginning.





Summer Break

As the mercury soared, creating a heat wave, Modern School began the Annual Summer break from 14th May 2022. The School will reopen on 27th June 2022. Extra Classes for S7 students are being organised from 17th June 2022 onwards.

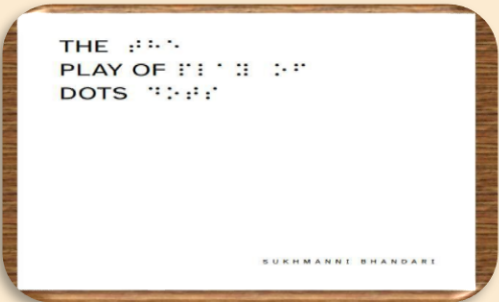


THE PLAY OF DOTS



Sukhmanni Bhandari(S7I) is the author of THE PLAY OF DOTS, a result of her association with The Blind Relief Association in 2020. One project led to another. She was offered a project that required her to research, explore and stitch together the journeys of some eminent, inspirational, determined, and courageous visually impaired Indian sports personalities, into a Coffee Table Book.

She got an opportunity to learn about and interact with the Indian Para Sportsmen and women, who prove everyday that nothing is impossible. She realized they were united by their pursuit of **personal happiness, passion, and drive.**



The Play of Dots highlights the stories, accomplishments, and beliefs of fourteen extraordinary Indian Para Athletic sportsmen and women. The book also includes the stories of four distinguished Coaches. Without the support, effort, and commitment of these Coaches, these successful Indian Para-athletes would not have scaled the heights they did. Together they serve as role models, inspiring and encouraging others to **Dream Big, Have a Vision, and then Make Determined and Focused Efforts to achieve Goals.** Indians comprise a third of the global population. Thus, demographically, India should have been a sporting and Para-sporting super-power. However, this is not the case. We as a society can learn two lessons from our Indian Para-athletes: "**Nothing is impossible**" and "**Where there is a will there is a way**". The Play of Dots initiative hopes to make visible the stories, journeys and voices of the Indian Para-athletes who are discretely making India proud.