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**Principal Dr Vijay Datta along with Dignitaries at the Pradeep Virendra Singh Memorial Delhi State Badminton Championship**

## The 6<sup>th</sup> Pradeep Virendra Singh Memorial Delhi State Badminton Championships 2023

### *What's New at Modern*

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The 6<sup>th</sup> Pradeep Virendra Singh Memorial Delhi State Badminton Championships 2023 brought together young talents from across New Delhi to showcase their skills and sportsmanship. The tournament spanned from the grand opening ceremony on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2023, to the memorable closing ceremony on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2023, held at the Sir Shankar Lal Hall of Modern School, Barakhamba Road. Dr Ameeta Singh, President of the DCBA, played a pivotal role as a distinguished member of the organising committee for the badminton tournament, contributing her inspiring presence and expertise to the event.

Dr Vijay Datta, Principal Modern School, Barakhamba Road- a passionate sports enthusiast, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. His inspiring words set the stage for an eventful tournament. He officially declared the tournament open. Dr Datta's presence added a touch of prestige and encouragement for the young athletes.

The badminton championships featured various age categories, including U7, U9, U11 and U13. Young participants exhibited exceptional skills, agility, and teamwork throughout the competition. As the tournament progressed, spectators were treated to thrilling matches, showcasing the promising future of badminton in Delhi.

The grand finale of the tournament was marked by the presence of Shri Himanshu Gupta, IAS, Director, Directorate of Education Delhi, as the Chief Guest. The final badminton matches held on this day were nothing short of spectacle, with each participant giving their all.

The closing ceremony was a moment of celebration and recognition. Principal, Dr Vijay Datta, and other dignitaries were present to honor the outstanding performance of the participants. Awards were presented to the position holders in various categories, acknowledging their hard work and dedication.

The 6<sup>th</sup> Pradeep Virendra Singh Memorial Delhi State Badminton Championships 2023 left a lasting impression, not only in terms of sporting excellence but also in fostering the spirit of sportsmanship and camaraderie among the young athletes.

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### **Interact Club: Cleanliness Drive**



**Ms Deepa Kapoor (In-charge, Interact Club), Ms Richa Bhatia (In-charge, Nature Club) and students participating in the Swacchata Pakhwada Initiative**

The students of Interact Club at Modern School, Barakhamba Road participated in the Swacchata Pakhwada from 1<sup>st</sup> September to 15<sup>th</sup> September 2023. Under this initiative the students engaged in activities focused on three precautionary practices: hand-washing, use of mask and social-distancing. As a part of the initiative, Swacchata Shapath was organised, wherein students and teachers collectively participated. Furthermore, painting and essay competitions, quizzes, slogan writing, poster-making and elocution competitions were held to encourage cleanliness and hygiene practices in school. In addition, a cleanliness drive was organised wherein waste material like sanitation waste, used and disposed masks, broken furniture, unusable equipment, among other waste were collected from the school premises by the students. Also, inspections of water and sanitation facilities and notices to encourage hygienic practices were initiated. The initiative provided the students with an opportunity to generate awareness about issues regarding cleanliness and take adequate steps to promote proper sanitation and hygiene within their school.



## JTM Gibson Memorial Quiz

The 28<sup>th</sup> JTM Gibson Memorial Quiz of 2023 hosted by Mayo College, Ajmer concluded on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2023. The quiz was conducted by esteemed Quiz Master Mr Ajay Poonia.

The team of Aryan Arora(XII-F) and Lakshya Aryan(XII-I) secured the **Runner Up** position. They used their quick thinking and wealth of knowledge in this hotly contested quiz to secure laurels for the school.



Aryan Arora and Lakshya Aryan receiving the Award

The Gibson Memorial Debate was held from the 30<sup>th</sup> September to 1<sup>st</sup> October 2023. The team of Aarav Bajaj(XII- D), Arjun Veer Sen(XII-I) and Prarthna Raheja(XII-D) were placed **Third** in the competition. Aarav Bajaj won the **Best Speaker award** in the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> preliminary rounds and the final round. Arjun Veer Sen won the **Best Speaker award** in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Preliminary Round. The team debated on various socio-political agendas against some of the best schools in the country and reached the semi-finals of the debate.



Modern School Delegation at the Gibson Memorial Quiz

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## Young Ecologist Workshop

A team of seven students from Modern School, Barakhamba Road participated in the 'Annual Bhoomi Festival' organised by Navdanya and India International Center (IIC) on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2023. This year's festival was dedicated to the links between Food, Biodiversity and Climate Change. Arjun Mittal(XII-C) and Anika Tandon(XII-G) attended the 'Young Ecologist Workshop' which was conducted by four keynote speakers Ms Vandana Shiva, Ms Aruna Rodrigues, Mr Narsimha Reddy Donthi and Mr Joe Athialy. The core issues discussed were - Engaging with Food, Biodiversity and Climate Change; GMOs and Biosafety; Industrial Agriculture, Pesticides and Climate Change; International Financial Institutions and Accountability.





**Students at the Young Ecologists Workshop**

Ayaan Kaarla(X-H), Aarish Jain(X-H), Atharv Tyagi(VIII-G), Harshal Kapoor(VIII-G) and Vedaanti Gupta(VIII-C) participated in an exhibition where they displayed the posters made on the topic ‘Climate Change and the Future of Food’. The students were accompanied by Ms Shalini Dahiya and Ms Priyanka Singh. It was truly an enriching and inspiring experience. The event showcased the importance of sustainable agriculture, biodiversity conservation and the promotion of organic farming.

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### Cosmic 350

A delegation from Modern School, Barakhamba Road participated in Cosmic 350, an event organised by Sanskriti school on 19<sup>th</sup> August, 2023. Twenty-five students from classes VI to XII participated in the various events like Debate, Ecostage- Musical Play, Comic Strip Making, Emerald Quiz, Treasure Hunt and Environment Quiz. Arjun Mittal(XII-C), Lakshya Aryan(XII-I) and Bhavya Khanchandi(XI-F) won the **First Position** in the Emerald Quiz. Aahaan Chatterjee(XII-C), Kahna Arjun Jain(XII-C) and Nirvaan Singhla(XII-A) secured the **Second Position** in Debate. Anaisha Mathur (VIII-A), Zoya Vickers (VIII-A), Maahira Jain(VIII-C), Vedaanti Gupta(VIII-C), Tisyaa Gupta(VIII-C), Atharv Tyagi(VIII-G), Aryan Mathur(VII-G) and Vaibhav Jain(VI-G) secured **Third Position** in the Musical play. The students were accompanied by Ms Priyanka Singh and Ms Mansi Kumar. The participants had an incredible experience and enjoyed being a part of the event.



**Participants at the Cosmic 350 Event**