

EMPOWERMENT IN FOCUS: FOUNDATION DAY OF DFDW CELEBRATED AT MODERN SCHOOL

Modern Barakhamba had the distinct honour of hosting the **52nd Foundation Day of the Delhi Foundation of Deaf Women (DFDW)**—a significant occasion dedicated to celebrating and empowering the hearingimpaired community through education, skill development, and inclusion. The event brought together students, educators, professionals, and advocates to highlight the importance of accessibility and opportunities for hearing-impaired individuals, particularly young women. This year's celebration placed a special focus on **promoting skill training and workshops** for hearing-impaired students across various schools, encouraging self-reliance and professional growth.

The ceremony was graced by the distinguished members of the Modern School community: **Ms Ambika Pant**, Secretary, Board of Trustees, Modern School, **Ms Anuradha Pratap Singh**, Former President, Board of Trustees, Modern Schools and Principal, **Dr Vijay Datta** along with Guests of Honour from Vastu Finserve: Ms Shweta Singh, Senior HR and Ms Yashogirti Kaur, HR. Their presence and words of encouragement emphasised the role of corporate partnerships in fostering inclusive growth and skill development.

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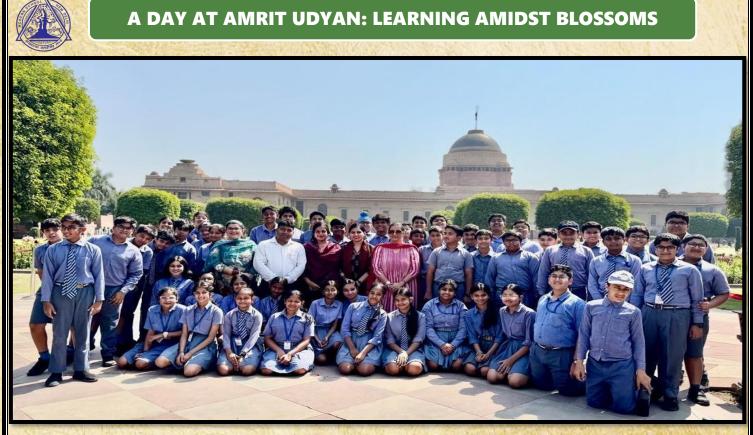


Celebrating Courage, Community and Change at Modern Barakhamba

The programme featured a series of inspiring addresses, cultural performances by hearing-impaired students, and interactive sessions that showcased the remarkable talents and capabilities of the community. The spirit of the day reflected resilience, innovation, and unity in diversity. Modern Barakhamba remains deeply committed to supporting initiatives that uphold **equal opportunities, accessibility, and empowerment for all learners**. The 52nd Foundation Day was not only a celebration of past achievements but also a reaffirmation of the shared vision for a more inclusive future.

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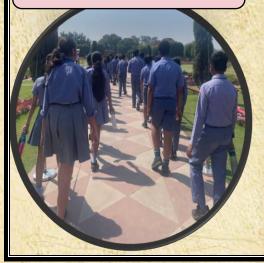
A teachers' training session was organised on 25th March, 2025 with the aim of **equipping teachers with knowledge and strategies** to identify and support children with special needs in mainstream classrooms. The session highlighted the importance of early intervention and support as well as the efficient use of Prashasth for identifying children with special needs (as per the RPwD Act, 2016) through the Prashasth checklist. The discussion with supportive case studies focused on promoting inclusive education practices and empathetic teaching. The training session marked the importance of providing emotional security and building trust with differently-abled students. Teachers were encouraged to foster peer support and reduce stigma. It emphasised the pivotal role teachers play in shaping an inclusive and supportive learning environment. Follow-up sessions and continuous training were recommended to ensure sustained support for children with diverse needs.



"To walk in nature is to witness a thousand miracles." — Mary Davis



Colours of Nature: A Bloom-Filled Journey



To appreciate the beauty of nature and instill sense of environmental responsibility in young learners, Modern Barakhamba organised a day trip to Amrit Udyan, located at the Rashtrapati Bhawan in New Delhi. Covering 15 acres, the meticulously curated garden, divided into various sections, highlighted the beauty of nature and emphasised the importance of environmental conservation. Amrit Udyan is more than just a garden; it stands as a remarkable example of the seamless blend of nature and architecture.

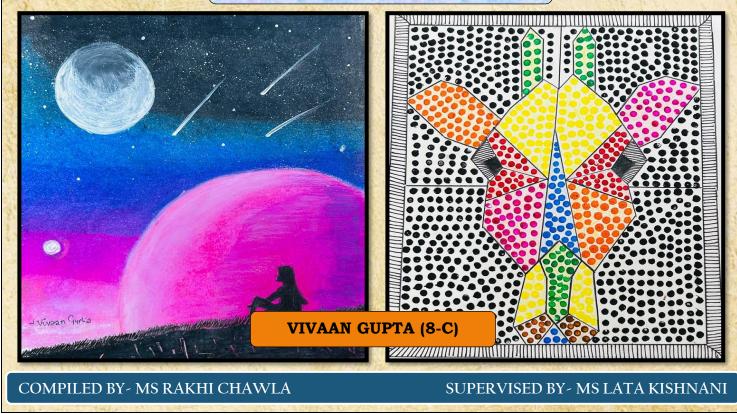
During the visit on 26th March, 2025, students explored several gardens, each offering its own unique charm. They were particularly captivated by the Herbal-I and Herbal-II gardens, which offered insightful knowledge about the medicinal properties of various plants. The Bonsai Garden impressed them with its intricate miniature plants, demonstrating the artistry and patience required to nurture such delicate life forms. The detailed notes placed in the garden provided detailed explanations about how these gardens promote sustainability, environmental consciousness, and conservation efforts. The experience deepened their appreciation for nature and fostered a stronger sense of responsibility toward preserving the environment. Overall, the trip to Amrit Udyan was a tremendous success, offering students not only an educational opportunity but also a chance to engage in physical activity and learn about important environmental issues. Beyond its educational value, the trip also encouraged a sense of community and teamwork, making it an enriching experience for everyone involved.

ROAD SAFETY AWARENESS WALK: MARCHING TOWARDS SAFE STREETS



In an effort to promote responsible behavior and safe practices on roads, a **Road Safety Awareness Walk** was organised by Modern Barakhamba on 27th March, 2025. The event aimed to sensitize students and the community about the importance of road safety rules and traffic discipline. The walk commenced from Gate No. 5 of the school, proceeding towards Todarmal Lane. Students passed several notable landmarks, including FICCI Headquarters, Triveni Kala Sangam, Sangeet Bharati and Copernicus Marg (featuring the Sahitya Akademi). The initiative was an effective way to raise awareness, educate students, and get them involved with the city's infrastructure. The significance of road safety and community responsibility was emphasised, and participants developed a deeper understanding of accessibility issues.

ARTISTIC STROKES



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