





SEASONAL SYMPHONY: LAJPAT HOUSE'S ODE TO SPRING AND SUMMER

Bringing together the vibrant energy, creativity, and competitive spirit of students across all grades, Lajpat House organised its house function. The Lajpat House Function, held on 15th May 2025, was a vibrant celebration of the changing seasons, creativity, and unity. With "Spring and Summer" as the central theme, the event beautifully captured the energy, colour, and freshness that these seasons bring, much like the spirit of Lajpat House itself. The event was a resounding success, highlighting the power of teamwork and leadership under the invaluable guidance of the House Masters, Ms Bindu Kapoor, Ms Kirtika Saxena and Ms Rakhi Chawla. The programme commenced with the traditional lamp lighting ceremony

followed by a graceful performance of Shiv Vandana, presented by Reet Bhatia of 10-A. A central highlight of the event was the theatrical play *Three Shades of the Sun*, written and directed by Ms Rakhi Chawla and performed by the senior students of Lajpat House. The play followed the journey of five university students, depicting scenes across different seasons. The vibrant summer sequence was enhanced by a live musical performance, as students Veer Kalra and Kritam Puniani delivered an energetic rendition of *Summer of '69*, captivating the audience with their vocals and stage presence. The play concluded with the message that each season, like each phase of life, has its own purpose and beauty. After the play, Rehaan Rai of Class 8-E recited a Shakespearean monologue, followed by a heartfelt group performance of the house song *Jeena Yahan Marna Yahan*, symbolising Lajpat House's unity and spirit. Principal Dr Vijay Datta then addressed the gathering, praising the house for its discipline, creativity and enthusiasm, and recognising the event as a testament to the school's focus on holistic development.



"Poetry is when an emotion has found its thought and the thought has found words." - Robert Frost

The Inter-House Poetry Recitation Competition was held at Modern Barakhamba for the students of Class 7 and 8, a vision brought to life by the Principal. It was a celebration of rhythm, rhyme and resonance. With 32 eloquent voices echoing timeless verses, the event was a tribute to the literary greats whose words continue to shape our world.

The competition was divided into two preliminary rounds-sixteen participants performed on each day, making it a two-day poetic feast. These two rounds were held on 22nd and 23rd April 2025 at Shankar Lal Hall. Each House was represented by two participants, with all 16 houses coming together in this spirited event. From this inspiring pool of talent, seven students emerged as finalists.

Their performances were meticulously judged by three esteemed members of the English Department-Ms Saira John, Ms Lata Kishnani and Ms Himani Bakshi. Their task was challenging, given the exceptional quality of recitations, but their expertise ensured a fair selection. The final round took place on Thursday, 8th May 2025, where these finalists mesmerised everyone once again with their passionate renditions. They were awarded special *Cards of Recognition* by the Principal, a gesture that will remain etched in their hearts. The remaining 25 students were presented with *Good Chits* for their hard work and commendable performances throughout the competition. Students recited some of the legendary poems, bringing alive the verses of William Wordsworth, Robert Frost, Tagore, Roald Dahl, Rudyard Kipling, Maya Angelou and Alfred Lord Tennyson among others. This event not only honed their oratory skills but also helped students appreciate the beauty and power of poetic expression.

"A good poem is a contribution to reality. The world is never the same once a good poem has been added to it."

- Dylan Thomas



NATURE CLUB ATTENDS WEBINAR ON BIODIVERSITY

On May 17 2025, Nature Club students took part in the *Harit Umang* webinar under Panasonic's Green Impact initiative, focused on biodiversity conservation. Dr Anju Jain from Daulat Ram College spoke on the importance of preserving biodiversity for ecological balance and human survival. Ms Ritu Ghosh from Panasonic emphasised the role of businesses and youth in environmental stewardship. The session encouraged students to reflect on their impact and take small steps toward biodiversity, highlighting the need for harmony between people and nature.

RISING LEADERS HONOURED IN NCC RANK CEREMONY

As part of the NCC, we had our ranking ceremony for the cadets of Navy, wherein the NCC cadets of our school were awarded with ranks of Petty Officer Cadet and Leading Cadet in Navy. Following cadets were awarded with the ranks by our Chief Guest Captain Nalin Kant Mishra, Commanding Officer, NCC Naval Wing:

- 1. Raghav Sisodia (10-D): Petty Officer Cadet
- 2. Gyana Ram (9-A): Leading Cadet
- 3. Kush Kapur (9- E): Leading Cadet



DEBATE TO DIPLOMACY: MUN JOURNEY BEGINS

The MUN Society conducted a training and Intra MUN from 10th to 19th May 2025 under the guidance of Ms Sonia Kapoor. The event began with a group discussion, followed by sessions on MUN procedures, position papers and resolution drafting. The highlight of the event was the Annual Intra MUN, featuring a dynamic Crisis Committee on the Yemen conflict with around 50 delegates from Classes 9 to 11. The Executive Board, comprising Class 12 students from the MUN Society, played a key role in guiding the debates. The event was a resounding success, providing first-time delegates a strong introduction to MUN and giving experienced students a chance to refine their skills in an engaging and supportive environment.