

THE SCINDIA SCHOOL, FORT GWALIOR

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FORT NEWS

Temperatures are soaring high and the sweet aroma of *Shirish*, *Neem* and *Raat ki Rani* can be smelled into the air suffused with their fragrance. The resurgence of heat was somewhat eased by the storm during the second week of April. It was accompanied by some isolated cooling showers and thunderstorms. The full flush of the *Pakhar* and the Banyan trees are a sight to behold. *Varun* trees are competing with them as they are putting forth beautiful white and golden flowers. *Indrajav* pods can be seen on the Fort and Red-wattled Lapwings are preparing their nests. Students and teachers are looking forward to the much awaited summer break.

The 16th His Highness Maharaja Madhavrao Scindia Memorial Cricket Tournament was held in School from the 31st March to 4th April 2018. The Closing Ceremony of the same was held on the 4th of April 2018. The healthy spirit of competition, along with a sense of camaraderie could be evidently felt. The Chief Guest, Mr Mahip Tejasvi, CEO – Gwalior Smart City Development Corporation Limited, was warmly welcomed by the Principal, Dr Madhav Deo Saraswat. Mr Tejasvi is a sports enthusiast, a perfect reference for the budding



Prize Distribution Ceremony.

sportsmen. The final match was played between Sehwaq International School, New Delhi and Modern School, New Delhi. The Modern School, Delhi, became the winner of the tournament. The symphonic performance by the prestigious Brass Band of The Scindia School was an added attraction. The smartly turned out members of the band played some memorable tunes under the leadership of the Band Major. The Chief Guest, Mr Mahip Tejasvi congratulated the participating teams and advocated that such opportunities must be looked upon as learning experiences irrespective of winning or losing. He also complimented the School on conducting such an event every year. The Chief Guest and the Principal gave away the trophies to the winners and the best performers of the tournament. The awards are as follows:

Best Bowler of the Tournament – Nitesh; Motilal Nehru School of Sports, Rai
Best Batsman of the Tournament – Ishan Gangwani; The Scindia School, Gwalior
Best All-rounder of the Tournament – Anmol Sharma; Modern School, New Delhi

Utkarsh Vats, Shubham Agarwal, Rhythm Kukreja, Akshat Karwa, Shishir Pandey and Adwait Sharma participated in the debate and quiz competition held at Daly College, Indore from 13th April to 14th April 2018.

The School fraternity bid a heart-warming farewell to Ms Puja Pant who bid us adieu on the 5th April 2018 to take on a new role. Ms Pant joined the school in 2007. She always kept herself updated with changes in the education field and carried the responsibility of the Head of Department, English. She was the Founder Editor of the tri-annual publication of the school, Qila Quotes which was started in 2008. She had been the Staff Editor of the School Review for almost 8 years.

Jai Sharma, Pratham Agarwala, Vedang Naag, Shakti Mahendran, Sanchit Saraf, Kartikeya Kulshrestha, Shikhar Agarwal, Aditya Rohira, Arnav Gupta, Harsh Bansal, Lakshit Harlalka, Siddharth Chandel, Garv Sajnani, Pratik Garg, Ayush Goyal, Vidit Gupta, Daksh Gupta, Nimit Jain, Aryan Agarwal, Sachin Chaudhary, and Dhruv Agarwal participated in the German Street Play and visited the German Exhibition at MMB, New Delhi, on the 13th and 14th April 2018. Mr Gopal Chaturvedi and Mr Bhavin Oza escorted them. The School team bagged the second position. Congratulations!

The Principal, Dr Madhav Deo Saraswat and Mr Ashish Arora travelled to Nagpur and Raipur for the Outreach Programme of The Scindia School, which was scheduled on the 24th and 25th of March 2018. The objective of the programme was to connect with like-minded people, who would be interested to know more about education in general and education at The Scindia School in particular. The session was attended by 100 parents in Nagpur and approximately 50 in Raipur. In both the sessions the School made its presence felt in the cities. The highlight of the sessions at both the places was the interactive session with the Principal, which was in the format of an Open House. The parents complimented the honesty with which the queries were handled. The support of the Old Boys in both the cities was worth appreciation and their thrill of meeting the Principal of their *alma-mater* was evident.

Orientation Programme for Extra Curricular Activities was held on 9th April 2018 in the Assembly Hall.

Chirag Rathi, Anirudh Singh Tyagi, Nitya Mehra, Rhythm Kukreja, Shishir Pandey, Abhishek Mahour, Vedansh Bansal, Lav Asrani, Akshat Karwa, Utkarsh Vats, Arya Laddha, Varun Gupta, Krishnam Purwar, Ayush Agarwal, and Shivansh Kumar Bansal participated in the I-Parliament 2018, New Delhi, from 5th April 2018 to 9th April 2018.

Ojas Agrawal, Sukhyog Singh, Yash Jain, Arya Adhikari and Hriday Soni participated in the Round Square Conference, Bangkok, from 5th April 2018 to 14th April 2018. They were escorted by Ms Sangeeta Jain.

Pratham Dalmia, Somesh Kumar, Agastya Babbar, Chaitanya Mishra, and Utsav Jain participated in the Round Square Service Project 2018, Jordan, from 1st April to 9th April 2018. They were escorted by Ms Sudha Sharma.

Adventure activities which included Rock Climbing and Rappelling were organized for the students of classes VII, VIII and IX on 14th April 2018.

Junior House Evening was held on 14th April 2018, in the Assembly Hall. The



programme was beautifully anchored by Raghav and Vidit with their succinct speech. The song *Datya Janak Kaner Nimaji ka yeh sunder sa nata* enthralled the audience. Jayant played a melodious tune on his guitar- *Papa Kehte hain*. The mime performance by the boys tickled the audience. Dharmendra tapped his foot to the beat of a number. Tushar and Mayank played the tunes of the Brass Band. The Hindi Play focused on living a life of moral intensity by dramatizing small vignettes from the story of Angulimala, Dacoit Ratnakar and the story of King Ashoka. Akhil danced beautifully to a Bollywood number. The Vice Principal, Dr Chitra Singh profusely applauded the students of the Junior School for putting up a delightful show.

The Annual English Play was staged on the 17th April 2018. The play was based on Frank L. Baum's 'The Wonderful Wizard of Oz', a fantastical children's story about good and evil. It pits the sweet, innocent Dorothy Gale against the Wicked Witch of the West, who tries to harm her for the ruby slippers which



A still from the Annual English Play.

are supposed to have magical powers. Home is one of the central themes of 'The Wonderful Wizard of Oz'. Dorothy finds unlikely friends in the Scarecrow, the Tin Woodman, and the Cowardly Lion, who, like Dorothy, don't realize that they already have what they're looking for and don't need the Wizard. Together, the friends defeat the Wicked Witch of the West and complete their journey to Oz, becoming better people in the process.

Dr Bacchan Singh Bhakuni who has retired from the School this session, was given a heart touching farewell on the 18th April 2018. Dr Bhakuni served the School selflessly for 30 long years from 1988 to 2018. Chidgan Prabhu delivered a speech on Dr Bhakuni's association with the School. The Principal, Dr Madhav Deo Saraswat felicitated Dr Bhakuni and said that while speaking for some people your wit and courage fails you. He is the real embodiment of a public school master. Dr Bhakuni thanked the School for its immense support and said that the School is a conflux of history, spirituality and education.



The Principal presenting a Silver Salver to Dr Bhakuni.

The Annual Hindi Play was staged on the 18th April 2018. The play was based on the play written by the acclaimed Hindi dramatist, Ajay Shukla. It was a scathing satire on the red-tapism prevalent in the governmental machinery. The immediate problem was the building of the Taj Mahal. There is a contractor



A still from the Annual Hindi Play.

who takes money for building the Taj but does not get it constructed till the very last. The cast consisted of 36 students. The play was directed by Mr Manoj Kumar Mishra and the lead roles in the same were played by- Kushagra Gupta, Darshan Singhal, Sunil Kumar, Abhinav Siddharth, Devansh Agarwal, Anurag Yadav, Shivansh Gupta, Rishab Jain and Rachit Agarwal.

Moksh Jaiswal, Rishab Jain, Himanshu Moojoriya, Kushal Konsam, Shishir Pandey, Shivansh Bansal, Mohit Umraiya and Harshvardhan Chandel have gone to participate in Commemorative programmes at Welham Girls' School, Dehradun from 19th to 21st April 2018.

Ms Niharika Kulshrestha attended the three days' workshop entitled 'International Certified Career Coach in-person' in New Delhi as part of the 3-months' Certification Programme from 13th to 15th April 2018. The workshop laid emphasis on 'Global Best Practices, Experiential Learning & State-of-the-Art Career Guidance Tools'.

The result of the 'Akhil Bhartiya Hindi Olympiad 2017' is as follows:

Class VI :

Dev Pratap Bansal - Gold Medal

Abhishek Chauhan - Silver Medal

Akhil Sharma - Bronze Medal

Class VII :

Vidit Gupta - Gold Medal

Krish Gupta - Silver Medal

Class VIII :

Pratik Garg - Gold Medal

Parth Bansal - Silver Medal

Harsh Bansal - Bronze Medal

Class IX :

Aditi Joshi - Gold Medal

Utkarsh Agarwal - Silver Medal

Fatehvir Singh - Bronze Medal

Class X :

Abhishek Mahour - Gold Medal

Aditya Parashar - Silver Medal

Aryan Nagpal, Akshat Karwa, Chirag Rathi, Shashank Kilhore and Janmejay Pargaen have gone to RIMC, Dehradun to participate in the Inter School, English Debate and Quiz Competition, from 19th April to 21st April 2018.

Outreach programmes were organised in Kanpur, Lucknow and Aligarh on the 14th, 15th and 16th April 2018, respectively. During the interactive sessions, it was evident that while people wanted good academics, they also wanted smart, socially-confident and well-spoken Scindians. The Old Boys welcomed the Principal, Dr Saraswat and Mr Vishesh Sahai very warmly, true to the Scindian ethos. Through this event we also got to know of a few aspects of school where perhaps improvement is needed and a few areas for which parents were rather happy with us. We also learnt that that this personalised style of outreach is a reasonably successful way of connecting with the Old Boys and existing parents in a neutral setting and an informal environment.

A Report on the Inter Public School Suryodaya IT Fest

The Scindia School hosted the Inter Public School Suryodaya IT Fest from Friday, 6th April to Sunday, 8th April 2018. The School has been organising this fest successfully since 2006. Eight leading schools participated in the fest this year. They were - Mayo College Girls' School- Ajmer, Mayo College- Ajmer, Maharani Gayatri Devi Girls' School- Jaipur, Scindia Kanya Vidyalaya-



The judges inspecting the work of students.

Gwalior, Heritage Girls' School- Udaipur, Welham Girls' School- Dehradun, The Punjab Public School- Nabha and the host school - The Scindia School, Gwalior. The theme for the Fest was 'Digital Integration'. The three day event was coordinated by the Dean of ICT, Mr R.K. Kapoor.

The Chief Guest of the Closing Ceremony, Mr Pashupathy Gopalan, President - Asia Pacific at Sun Edison Inc. appreciated the hard work of students of various schools. He shared his experiences with people like Steve Jobs, Larry Page, Gordon Moore, Jeffrey Preston Bezos, Elon Reeve Musk and others whom he met during his stay at Stanford University. His main emphasis was on passion; he suggested to students to work with passion in which ever field they choose. He elaborated upon the role of passion in our lives by emphasising that such enterprising minds can be the students seated in the Hall if they



Mr Pashupathy Gopalan.



The judges inspecting the work of students.

work with passion and dedication. An eminent Old Boy, Mr Shamit Khemka, Founder & MD of Synapse India and Co-Founder Foodcloud, and member of IT Committee of The Scindia School also graced the occasion.

The Awards and recognitions are as follows:

Website Designing (Topic - Robotics : Will bring Innovation in your life)

- I - The Scindia School - Prashant Bansal, Rishab Jain
- II - Mayo College - Piyush Upadhyay, Kuber Bansal
- III - Mayo College Girls' School - Ursula Banerjee, Shreya Rathore

Sound Editing (Topic : Explore the future of Digital Transformation) :

- I - Mayo College - Utsav Jaiswal
- II - The Scindia School - Shubham Agarwal
Scindia Kanya Vidyalaya - Kashish Arora
- III - Mayo College Girls' School - Vibha Singh

Online Computer Quiz :

- I - The Scindia School - Rishabh Modi
- II - Mayo College Girls' School - Nandani Rathore
Maharani Gayatri Devi School - Shubhi Yadav
- III - Heritage Girls' School - Shana Jaroli

Multimedia Presentation (Topic - Augmented reality) :

- I - Mayo College - Anand Bagla, Kuber Bansal
- II - The Scindia School - Shubham Sultania, Pranav Wadhwa
- III - The Punjab Public School - Robin, Jaideep
Mayo College Girls' School - Vindhya Kaushal, Riddhima Gupta

Digital Cartoon Making (Topic: Virtual Assistant) :

- I - The Scindia School - Priyanshu Agarwal
- II - Heritage Girls' School - Yashvi Kothari
- III - Scindia Kanya Vidyalaya - Vasudha Singhal

Digital Photography & Editing (Topic - How technology has transformed the workspace) :

- I - Maharani Gayatri Devi School - Pragya Khandelwal, Maithili Singh
- II - Heritage Girls' School - Jigyasa Singhvi, Eva Singh
- III - The Scindia School - Sameer Manger, Harshvardhan Singh Jadon

Computer Wiz Kid (Programing with C++, Java and Python) :

- I - The Punjab Public School - Arshdeep
- II - Mayo College - Anand Bagla
- III - Welham Girls' School - Ishita Agarwal

Movie Making (Topic - Driverless car / Autonomous car) :

- I - The Scindia School - Pranav Wadhwa, Harshvardhan Singh Jadon
- II - Mayo College Girls' School - Ursula Banerjee, Aashna Chudasma
- III - Maharani Gayatri Devi School - Pragya Khandelwal, Maithili Singh

Over-all positions are as follows:

Team's Name	Total Points	Position
The Scindia School	27	Winner
Mayo College	21	I Runner Up
Maharani Gayatri Devi School	17	II Runner Up
Mayo College Girls' School	15	
Heritage Girls' School	14	
The Punjab Public School	14	
Scindia Kanya Vidyalaya	13	
Welham Girls' School	12	



The Scindia School lifting the Winner's trophy.

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एक बार की बात है लखनपुर में एक बच्चा रहता था उसका नाम था शमी। वह पढ़ने में बहुत अच्छा था। उसके पिता ज्यादा अमीर नहीं थे, परंतु वह शमी की पढ़ाई के लिए किसी तरह पैसे का इंतजाम कर लेते थे। शमी भी मन लगाकर पढ़ता था। सभी उसे बहुत चाहते थे। उसकी कई बच्चों से दोस्ती थी। बच्चे भी उसके साथ मिलकर अच्छा कार्य कर रहे थे। कक्षा तीन तक सब अच्छा चल रहा था। फिर आया एक बच्चा दिलीप, वह परिश्रम नहीं करता था और सोचता था कि हमारे साथ वही होगा जो हमारी किस्मत में लिखा हुआ है। वह एक बहुत अमीर घर से आता था, उसे सभी चीजें आसानी से मिल जाती थी इसीलिए उसने कभी भी मेहनत नहीं की और भाग्य के भरोसे बैठा रहा। किसी तरह वह कक्षा बस पास करता रहा परंतु उसके अंक अच्छे नहीं आते थे। तभी उसकी दोस्ती शमी से हुई। शमी ने उसकी बहुत मदद की। शमी और दिलीप काफी अच्छे दोस्त बन गए और ऐसे ही उन्होंने खेलते-कूदते, पढ़ते-लिखते नौ साल बिता दिए। अब वे दोनों महाविद्यालय जाने के लिए तैयार हो गए थे। दोनों के ही बहुत अच्छे अंक आए थे। छुट्टियाँ आ गई थी दोनों दोस्त अब अलग-अलग हो गए थे। दिलीप अब धीरे-धीरे शमी से दूर होता जा रहा था उसकी दोस्ती फिर कुछ ऐसे लोगों से हो गई जिसके कारण फिर से उसमें वह पुरानी सोच जागने लगी कि सब कुछ भाग्य के भरोसे ही होता है, भाग्य अच्छा है तो सब अच्छा होगा आदि।

कुसंगति का फल

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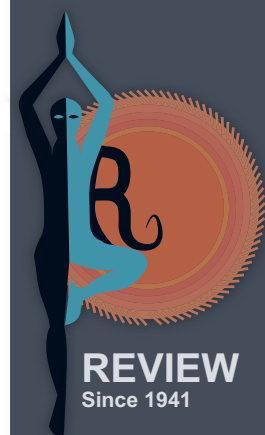
कुसंगति एक ऐसी चीज़ है जो फूल को भी काँटा बना सकती है। कुसंगति के चलते बड़े से बड़ा आदमी अपना जीवन नष्ट कर सकता है। एक बार एक बहुत बड़ा व धनवान आदमी था। वह जो चाहे खरीद सकता था। उसका एक पुत्र था। वह बहुत समझदार था। वह पढ़ाई-लिखाई, खेल-कूद सबमें बहुत अच्छा था। वह हमेशा हर चीज़ में प्रथम आता था। धनवान व्यक्ति सोचता कि ऐसा पुत्र पाकर मैं धन्य हो गया। वह मेरे कारोबार को बहुत आगे तक ले जाएगा व मेरा नाम और ऊँचा करेगा। जब उसका पुत्र कॉलेज में गया तो उसके कुछ मित्र बन गए। वह ऐसे मित्र थे जिनसे भला दुश्मन होता है। वह सभी बुरे काम करते थे। धनवान व्यक्ति का पुत्र बहुत भोला था और वह उनकी चाल समझ नहीं पाया। वह उसे धीरे-धीरे नशा करना सिखाने लगे और धीरे-धीरे करके वह अपने मित्रों की कुसंगति में फँस गया। इसका प्रभाव उसके व्यक्तित्व और प्रतिभा पर पड़ने लगा और वह अपने मित्रों की तरह बुरा बन गया। एक बार पुलिस ने शराब की दुकान पर छापा मारा, उसी दुकान पर ये सभी मित्र बैठकर शराब पी रहे थे। पुलिस को देख कर उसके सभी साथी भाग गए पर वह पुलिस के हथके चढ़ गया और पुलिस ने उसे जेल में बंद कर दिया। धनवान व्यक्ति अपने पुत्र से मिलने जेल गया और उसे नशे की हालत में देखकर वह पागल-सा हो गया। अपने पुत्र को इस हालत में देखना उसके लिए किसी बुरे सपने से कम नहीं था।

शमी को जाना था फौज में तो वह दिन-रात पढ़ता रहता था। दिलीप को अभी कुछ पता नहीं था कि वह कहाँ जाएगा। वह ऐसे ही घूमता रहता था और मस्ती करता रहता था। अपने जीवन में आगे बढ़ने के लिए वह कुछ भी नहीं कर रहा था। किताबों से तो उसका नाता ही टूट गया था। शमी राष्ट्रीय डिफेंस अकादमी में दाखिल हो गया परंतु दिलीप अभी भी खाली घूमता रहता था। कहते हैं न कि खाली दिमाग शैतान का, ऐसे ही दिलीप भी धीरे-धीरे बुरे लोगों की संगति में आ गया। उसके दोस्त वास्तव में उसके दोस्त नहीं थे बल्कि बुरे साथी थे। आगे बढ़ाने के बजाए वे दिलीप को और चक्कर में फँसाने लगे। दिलीप भी अपने पुरानी सोच को नहीं छोड़ पा रहा था। वह बुरी आदतों में लग गया। एक दिन कहीं चोरी करता हुआ पकड़ा गया और उसे तीन साल की सज़ा मिली। पूरी इज़त मिट्टी में मिल गई।

शमी फौज में बहुत अच्छे पद पर पहुँच चुका था। इंडो-पाकिस्तान जंग में उसके योगदान के लिए उसको अशोक-चक्र मिला। जब वह अशोक-चक्र लेकर वापस लखनपुर गया तो उसे दिलीप का घर देखकर, दिलीप की याद आई। उसने जब पता लगाया तो उसे यह सुन कर बहुत दुख हुआ कि वह जेल में है। शमी उससे मिलने गया तो दिलीप कहने लगा कि तेरी किस्मत बहुत अच्छी है तभी तुम इतना आगे निकल गए और मेरी किस्मत खराब थी तभी मैं यहाँ पर हूँ। शमी बोला कि मैं तुम्हें कितनी बार समझा चुका था कि किस्मत कुछ नहीं होता, हम जीवन में जितना परिश्रम करते हैं हमें उतना ही फल मिलता है। परिश्रम से हम नामुमकिन को भी मुमकिन बना सकते हैं और हम जीवन में जैसा करते हैं उसका फल हमें वैसा ही मिलता है। इसलिए तो कहते हैं - “जैसी करनी वैसी भरनी।”

वह अपने पुत्र को जेल से रिहा करवा कर अपने घर ले आया। उसने अपने पुत्र को बहुत समझाया, बेटे ने शराब पीना भी कम कर दिया लेकिन उसे अपने दोस्तों पर बहुत गर्व था। वह सोचता था कि उसके दोस्त सबसे अच्छे हैं। उसके पिता जानते थे कि उसकी संगति उसे कहाँ तक ले जाएगी इसलिए उन्होंने उसे समझाने की एक तरकीब सोची। उन्होंने बाज़ार से एक टोकरी सेब खरीदे जिसमें एक सड़ा हुआ सेब भी था। उस टोकरी को उन्होंने अपने बेटे को देते हुए कहा कि इस टोकरी को अपने पास सुरक्षित रख दो और कल सुबह मैं तुमसे सारे सेब इसी हालत में लूँगा। पुत्र बोला - क्या पिताजी, आप इतना आसान काम मुझे क्यों देते हैं ? और यह कहते हुए वह अपने मित्रों से मिलने चला गया। दूसरे दिन पिताजी ने उसे सेब की टोकरी वापस लेकर आने को कहा। पुत्र टोकरी वापस लेकर आया तो उन्होंने देखा कि सारे सेब सड़ चुके थे। यह देखकर पुत्र घबरा गया और पिताजी से माफी माँगने लगा कि पिताजी मुझे माफ कर दीजिए क्योंकि मैं आपका काम अच्छे से नहीं कर पाया तो पिता ने कहा पुत्र यही तो मैं तुम्हें बताना चाहता हूँ। मैं जब इन्हें लाया था तो ये बहुत महंगे, स्वादिष्ट और दिखने में अच्छे थे। मैंने कुछ नहीं किया बस एक सड़ा हुआ सेब इन सबके बीच रख दिया और उसने सभी को सड़ा दिया। यह होता है कुसंगति का फल। आदमी चाहे तो कुसंगति में जीवन बिगाड़ सकता है और सत्संगति में जीवन बना सकता है। जो मुसीबत में साथ दे वही सच्चा मित्र है। धनवान व्यक्ति ने कहा - पुत्र, ‘तुमने कुसंगति करके अपना जीवन बिगाड़ लिया है अब भी तुम्हारे पास समय है अपना जीवन तुम बना सकते हो।’ यह सुनकर पुत्र बोला - ‘पिताजी, मैंने कुसंगति करके अपना जीवन बिगाड़ा है अब मैं समझ गया कि कुसंगति का फल कैसा होता है।’

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