

THE SCINDIA SCHOOL, FORT GWALIOR

# REVIEW-22



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## FORT NEWS

The Fort has been cooler and pleasanter this fortnight, although at times a little more humid than expected. Like the previous year our *taals* are full with the heavy rains which have beaten against the Fort walls. The Fort is looking greener with birds adding beauty to it. Greater Coucal could be seen chasing garden lizards, young chicks of crow are ready to leave their nest in front of the Examination Room and we are waiting for the young ones of Scops Owl to emerge from the old Copper pod tree behind the FRC. It is wonderful to see the boys' blue games uniform mixing with the vast greens of the playing fields.

### ScooNews Award



Ms Seema Sharma receiving the award on behalf of the Principal

The school was felicitated with an award by ScooNews as one of the Exceptional Schools of India. Congratulations!

### Negotium Agon Business Fest Awards

The Scindia School participated in the NEGOTIUM AGON 2022, an annual inter-school Business Fest held at Wynberg Allen School, Mussoorie on 30 July, 2022. About 34 schools from all over the country participated in this event.



The Scindian Delegation with the awards

The school was represented by Reshav Sarawgi, Aditya Agarwal, Ojas Agarwal, Aarman Makhija and Ashuthosh Khemka. The event included a business quiz, logo designing and tagline making, trade fair vine video, auction round and trade fair. The Scindia School was declared the 'Overall Champion' of the event and bagged the trophy.

### Football Tournament

The School conducted the Inter House Football Tournament for A and B group, from 17 July to 24 July 2022. The tournament format was 'league cum knockout basis'.

In group B, the Finals were played between Jeevaji and Mahadji House.

Final position of the Houses in the same are:

I Jeevaji	II Mahadji	III Shivaji	IV Ranoji
V Madhav	VI Daulat	VII Jayappa	VIII Jayaji

In Group A the finals were held between Daulat and Jayaji House.

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V Jayappa	VI Shivaji	VII Jeevaji	



Boys in action

The Overall House positions are as follows:

I Mahadji	II Daulat	III Shivaji, Jeevaji, Ranoji
VI Jayappa, Jayaji	VIII Madhav	

The players who showcased outstanding skills are as follows:

1. *Best Player of the tournament*: Beniwattaba Waikhom, Jeevaji (B Group)
2. *Best Defender of the tournament*: Aditya Singh Gurjar, Mahadji (B Group)
3. *Best Goalkeeper of the Tournament*: Jayant Agrawal, Jeevaji (B Group)
4. *Best Player of the tournament*: Rohit Gound, Jayaji (A Group)
5. *Best Defender of the Tournament*: Amrit Singh, Daulat (A Group)
6. *Best Goalkeeper of the Tournament*: Anoop Adiwas, Daulat (A Group)

### Orientation for Hobbies and Societies

The orientation for Hobbies and Societies was held on 22 July 2022. In total 28 Hobbies and Societies were offered to the children to choose from.

### Counselling Workshop

A Counselling Workshop for the faculty members of the school was taken by the school's Behavioural Counsellor, Ms Sangeetha P. on 22 July 2022.

### Scindian Talkhouse

The first session of the Scindian Talkhouse, a panel discussion model conceptualized by Vidit Gupta and Ayushmaan Rai was conducted in the Assembly Hall on 30 July 2022 on the topic "Pro-Life vs Pro-Choice".

### Bullying Prevention and Empathy Building

Ms Niharika Kulshrestha conducted a workshop/ presentation on 'Bullying Prevention and Empathy Building' for Junior Houses on 7 August 2022 in the Assembly Hall. The session was interactive and the students enthusiastically participated in the activities as well as discussions. A few kids shared how they were teased by their fellow students/ housemates.



Ms Niharika Kulshrestha taking the workshop

The following key points were discussed:

- What is bullying and how it is different from conflict?
- What can students do to help the one being bullied and why it is important to help?
- Why is it important to discuss bullying?

Everyone agreed that :

- All students have the right to feel safe in the school.
- Nobody has the right to make others feel bad.
- We need to work together to make sure that bullying is something that isn't tolerated and doesn't happen.
- We want to be proud of our school and proud that we all treat each other with respect, empathy, and care.
- Bullying should be reported to Matrons, Teachers, Housemaster, and Principal, Deans, or any adult.
- A bystander has the most important role, in case bullying takes place.

The strategies to avoid bullying and reporting were also discussed. There were activities and stories to sensitize the students about the irreversible effects of bullying on the victim. The kids learnt to appreciate that everybody is different, and the world would have been dreary if everybody and everything looked the same. It is not done to isolate or 'pick on' somebody because he/she is different. They were also told what empathy is and the students were handed out a questionnaire to elicit their responses on the various aspects of bullying. The session ended with the screening of a 3-minute video on empathy.

### Chess Tournament

A total of 13 students from our school participated in the tournament organized by Rupesh Kant Chess Academy and sponsored by Hotel Royal Inn, Gwalior. Our players participated in the under 15 and under 19 age group categories. Altogether 63 students from different schools and Chess Coaching Centers of Gwalior participated in this chess tournament on 15 August 2022. Saksham Kubde, Nimit Agarwal, Ekagra Singh, Sarvagya Singhal, Prataksh Agarwal, and Parv Agarwal scored three or more points out of the maximum score of six. Saksham Kubde was felicitated for 'best performance' in the same.

### Shivaji House Evening

The Shivaji House Evening was celebrated with great vigour in the Assembly Hall on 7 August 2022. The programme was compered by Mayank Choudhary and Kushal Agarwal. The Shivaji House Orchestra welcomed the audience with



Shivaji House Evening

its mellifluous tunes and soulful singing. The play humorously titled 'Baccha Baba' sent the audience into splits of laughter while the undercurrent of sarcasm went deep. The Shivaji fashion icons put the stage on fire. Next came a well-synchronized dance performance. The Vote of Thanks was delivered by Mayank Choudhary. The Principal appreciated the performance for its vigour and liveliness. The evening was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

### Investiture Ceremony for the Prefectorial Board of 2022-23

On 9 August 2022, the much-awaited Investiture Ceremony for the Prefectorial Board of 2022-23, was held in the Assembly Hall. Amid the surging excitement levels, the ceremony was conducted formally as the names of prefects were announced, and they walked down the aisle and up to the stage to the sound of the bugle played by the School Brass Band. The solemn Oath-taking ceremony was conducted and the following students were sworn in as School Prefects- Arjun Bhat and Keshav Kapoor, Ranoji; Satyam Raj and Bhavya Dhamija, Mahadji; Ayushmaan Rai, Jeevaji; Sumedh Potdar and Utkarsh Gupta, Madhav; Jeh Neville Hilluwala and Sanyam Agarwal, Shivaji; Tushar Saini, Daulat; Shirish Mehra and Gourav Mehra, Jayappa. Parikshita Singh, Jayaji, was sworn in as the School Prefect, Girls' Representative. Vidit Gupta, Jeevaji, and Anubhav Sachan, Jayaji, became the Deputy Senior School Prefects. Mayank Choudhary was sworn in as the Senior School Prefect.

### Virtual Round Square Event

The school hosted a Virtual Round Square Event. The theme of the event was 'Power of Word'. 16 schools from two countries participated in it. This student led activity witnessed discussion and exchange of ideas on the topic, wherein all the delegates participated enthusiastically.

### Independence Day Celebration

Independence Day was celebrated with fervour and gaiety at the Fort. It was yet again an exhibition of the unmatched spirit of Scindians and their indomitable spirit. The celebration started with the arrival of the Chief Guest,



Independence Day Celebration

Mr Rajesh Dandotiya, Additional Superintendent of Police, Gwalior, who was escorted by the smartly turned out boys, on horseback. He was received by the Principal, Mr Ajay Singh and the other members of the senior management. While addressing the gathering, the Chief Guest expressed his gratitude for being a part of the momentous occasion. Thereafter, the Scindian fraternity left for Astachal, the spiritual centre of the School, where Mayank Choudhary, the Senior School Prefect, welcomed the gathering, especially the Old Boys and their families. Floral tributes were paid to the statue of Mahatma Gandhi, which was followed by some thought provoking pieces and soulful singing. The silence at Astachal provided space for soul searching and to gather the internal strength to persevere for being better, individually and as a community.

#### Aaj Tak Debate

Ayushman Rai, Satyam Raj and Vidit Gupta participated in "आज तक" Hindi Debate organised by Vasant Valley School, New Delhi from 16 to 18 August 2022.

#### 'Hayka' Magazine

The 'Hayka' Magazine yet again acquainted the students with different Science and Technologies that are going around all over the world. The magazine with the title: 'HAYKA- Emerging Science Technologies in 2022' was released. Top 10 Emerging Science Technologies discussed were as follows: Solar Geo-Engineering - Solar Radiations will reflect back to Space; Heat Pump - Reverse Can Keep the House Cool; Hydrogen Powered Aircraft - Alternate of Kerosene is on the way to fly Aircrafts; Direct Air Carbon Capture - Extract Carbon-dioxide directly from atmosphere; Vertical Farming - Growing Crops on stacked pallets in a closed environment; Sail Container Ship - Sail through the Wind Wail; Artificial Intelligence - The New Era of Technology; V.R. Workout - Now Video Games will build your stamina; HIV and Malaria Vaccine - HIV Vaccination Trials are on the way and 3D Printed Bone Grafts - Now Artificial Bone development is on the way.

#### Anti-ragging Squad

An Anti-ragging Squad consisting of members which comprises representatives from the faculty, pastoral care, administrative staff, and security staff has been constituted with Mr Dharendra Sharma as the Convenor Member with the primary purpose to implement school policy on anti-bullying and ragging, take preventive measures in the form of surprise checks etc. on students anywhere in the school premises and address any such unwanted and undesired issue.

## OLD BOYS' NEWS

A Dinner Meet for handing over the reins of SOBA, Nagpur Chapter was done on 25 August 2022. The newly constituted team is as follows:

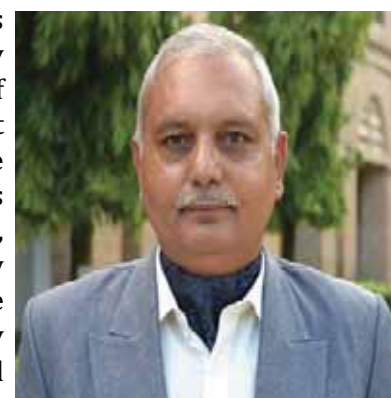


Patron: Mr Suresh Sharma, President: Dr Sanjay Kolte, IPP: Mr Sandeep Agrawal, Vice President: Mr Harshawardhan Dhanwatey, Secretary: Mr Girish Malpani, Treasurer: Dr Siddhartha Jagtap, Jt. Secretary: Mr Pratik Munot, Executive Members: Mr Bharat Goenka, Mr Sachin Chanchani, Dr Sanjay Arora, Mr Krishna Rathi, Mr Tushar Singhvi.

We congratulate Mr Sachin Deva for starting an all-India clean air initiative and launching the first ever made in India app —Cyclo- which is in its testing phases. The first testing phase was done in Gwalior and Nagpur.

#### Welcome Aboard

Lt Col Disoj Kumar Farashwal (Retd) has joined us as the Bursar. He is a visionary administrator with over a decade of experience in the education-development sector. A man of many talents, he has done his Postgraduation in International Studies and MBA in Human Resource Management, allowing him to combine the macro view of the world with the micro world of the school. It also allows him to effectively utilize the varied resources of the school and community to the optimal level. He also holds a PG Diploma in Disaster Management, Computer Networking, and Industrial Safety & Security from leading institutes like Red Cross.



With 35 years of combined experience in management in the education sector and leadership in the Indian Army, he brings with him a seasoned approach to administrative aspects such as maintenance, finance, human resource management, transportation, safety and security, food, health and hygiene.

Having lived and travelled across the length and breadth of the country and experienced the varied rich cultures of India; he brings with him the wisdom and skill to build and nurture a team and lead them to the common goal of ensuring all support for the holistic and inclusive development of the institution. He brings with him a culture of transparency, integrity, sincerity, and excellence.

#### School Games Captains

Game	Name
Basketball	Mayank Chaudhary
Cricket	Vinay Gound
Football	Rohit Gound
Hockey	Lalit Kumar
Shooting	Aryan Agrawal
Squash	Pratham Kapoor
Swimming	Sumedh Potdar
Table Tennis	Sarthak Chachara
Tennis	Utkarsh Gupta

A Scindian Meet was held in Kolkata on 23 August 2022. Present in the Meet were: Mr Rishabh Jain, Mr Utpal Vyas, Mr Raju Parkhani, Mr Venkatesh Das Agarwal, Mr Rajat Kayan, Mr Arun Bhagat, Mr Beni Madhav Roy, Mr Raj Chopra, Mr Gopal Das Agarwal, Mr Tuhin Singh.



'Exploring the Unknown Aspects of Mr P.B.L. Agnihotri's Life' (An Interview with His Daughter, Mrs Archana Saraswat) is available at [https://thecommonroom-scindia.com/f/Exploring-the-Unknown-Aspects-of-Mr-PBL-Agnihotris-Life-An-Interview-with-His-Daughter-Mrs-Archana-Saraswat-16118?source=view&utm\\_source=Campusfeed&utm\\_campaign=Campusfeed-Sharing&utm\\_medium=Whatsapp](https://thecommonroom-scindia.com/f/Exploring-the-Unknown-Aspects-of-Mr-PBL-Agnihotris-Life-An-Interview-with-His-Daughter-Mrs-Archana-Saraswat-16118?source=view&utm_source=Campusfeed&utm_campaign=Campusfeed-Sharing&utm_medium=Whatsapp)

## The Scindia School Ecology Project : मेरी लद्दाख यात्रा Interaction with Experts

The school community found itself deeply engrossed with the amazing interaction that went on in the campus with the coming of the renowned experts to the Fort, Mr Pradip Krishen, Ms Devayani and Mr Fazal Rashid. On 26 August 2022, Ms Devayani, a leading Geologist, had a session with the Housemasters. On 27 August 2022, two invigorating sessions were held. First, between Ms Devayani and the students of the Core Committee of the project. Second was held in the Assembly Hall with the entire school fraternity attending the deeply enriching session with Mr Pradip Krishen. The definition of 'jungle', the aspects of natural vegetation, deserts, and grasslands of the world, Dhok forests in Gwalior, information on Aanjan Trees, riverain landscapes, gorges, and ravines and so much more, were thoroughly explored and explained by Mr Krishen. On 28 August, two lectures were held, both on the concept of landscapes. The first was taken by Ms Devayani and the second by Mr Pradip Krishen, in which the expert talked about the interesting aspects of the 'deserts' during the lecture entitled 'Landscapes of the Thar'. It was a deeply enriching session for all.



Ms Devayani demonstrating about the rocks



The expert panel taking the queries of students

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यात्रा का आनंद ही कुछ और होता है। यात्रा किसे अच्छी नहीं लगती। हर व्यक्ति अपने जीवन में कहीं न कहीं घूमने जाना चाहता है। मेरी भी ऐसी एक अविस्मरणीय यात्रा अप्रैल 2022 में शुरू हुई। गर्मी के दिन शुरू हो चुके थे तो हमारे परिवार ने कहीं पहाड़ की यात्रा पर जाने का निश्चय किया। हम लोगों ने भारत के उत्तर दिशा की ओर स्थित भारत की ऊँची चोटियों से घिरे लेह, लद्दाख की खूबसूरत सफर पर जाने की योजना बनाई। क्या आप जानते हैं कि भारत के कुछ राज्य अपनी खूबसूरती के लिए जाने जाते हैं और उसमें से एक है लद्दाख। यह एक ऐसी जगह है जहाँ यदि आप गए तो आपको वापस आने का मन नहीं करेगा। लद्दाख में यह माना जाता है कि अगर कोई भी व्यक्ति पहले दिन ही लद्दाख में भ्रमण करें तो उसे बहुत-सी कठिनाइयों का सामना करना पड़ता है इसलिए अधिकतर पर्यटक पहले दिन कमरे में ही रहते हैं। यहाँ का तापमान शून्य डिग्री सेल्सियस के नीचे रहता है। मेरे परिवार ने सबसे पहले अगले दिन शांति स्तूप पहुँचने का निश्चय किया। यह एक बौद्ध मंदिर है यहाँ चढ़ना अपने आप में बहुत कठिन कार्य है। अगर आप लद्दाख आते हैं तो आपको बहुत जिगर की आवश्यकता है। लद्दाख में सिंधु नदी भी उपस्थित है, यह इतनी साफ है कि आप इस पानी के तल को भी देख सकते हैं। पानी के तलहटी में छोटे-छोटे रंग-बिरंगे पत्थर बहुत ही सुंदर लगते हैं। यहाँ साहसिक क्रिया-कलाप के लिए राफ्टिंग

की भी सुविधा भी उपलब्ध है। चौथे दिन हम पेनगांग-झील के लिए रवाना हुए। यहाँ पर तापमान शून्य से चार डिग्री नीचे था। सुबह जब हम गए तो हमने देखा कि झील पूरी तरह जमी हुई है लेकिन दोपहर तक यह धीरे-धीरे पिघल गई। यहाँ पर फिल्म 'श्री इंडियट' की भी शूटिंग हुई है। फिर हम लद्दाख की सबसे ऊँची चोटी खारदुंगला पहुँचे। यहाँ का भी तापमान शून्य से छः डिग्री नीचे था और इस तापमान में तो हम जम से गए थे और याद रहे कि हम यहाँ अप्रैल के महीने में घूमने आए थे, यदि दिसंबर-जनवरी में आते तो क्या होता? बहुत ही ठंडी जगह पर रुकने के बाद हम लोग नुब्रा वैली गए। यहाँ हमें लोगों ने बताया कि इस क्षेत्र में भी फिल्मों की शूटिंग होती है। यह लद्दाख के थोड़े गर्म इलाकों में माना जाता है। यहाँ थोड़ी गर्मी और थोड़ी ठंडक पड़ती है। यह जगह आपको दोनों का एहसास दिलाएगी। यह जगह भी बहुत खूबसूरत थी परंतु पेनगांग-झील जितनी सुंदर थी उतनी नहीं। यदि आप एक फोटोग्राफर है तो आपके लिए यह एकदम सही जगह है। बर्फ से पूरी तरह ढँका शहर, जहाँ आपके कदम रखते ही आपका मन प्रफुल्लित हो जाए ऐसी जगह है लद्दाख। इसके बाद हम लद्दाख हवाईअड्डा से दिल्ली पहुँचे और एक दिन वहाँ रुके भी। वहाँ का लाल किला घूमा, एक साइबर कैफे गए और बहुत-सी प्राचीन कलाओं के बारे में समझा। यह सफर मेरे लिए एक यादगार सफर बनकर रह गया और मैं इसे कभी भी नहीं भूल पाऊँगा।

### Message from the Principal

*The Founder's Day Celebration this year will be held from 19 October to 20 October 2022.*

**19 October 2022 – Parent's Day and Old Boys' Day**

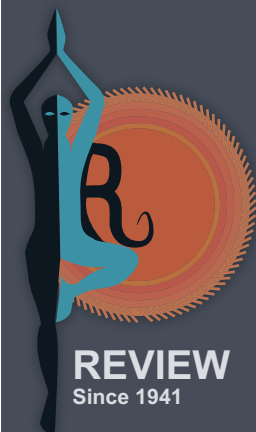
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### OBITUARIES

We are very sorry to inform you of the demise of Mr Om Prakash Vaishya (Ex-Ja, 1954). May his kind soul rest in everlasting peace.

We are very sorry to inform you of the sad demise of Mr Sukant Garg (Ex-Jyotiba, 2004). May God give strength to his bereaved family to bear the loss.

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