

REVIEW-23

THE SCINDIA SCHOOL, FORT GWALIOR



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FORT NEWS

Weather Report

Due to the Westerly Wind, there is an increase in the heat during the day. The maximum temperature can reach close to 40 degrees. Gusts of hot wind will be faced during the day. With the sun shining brightly overhead, one can feel the heat on the Fort. Flowers of Morning Glory and Gulmohar are blooming on the Fort. Tawny-Bellied Babbler and Gray Francolin can be seen flying in the campus.

Seminar Conducted by the Jindal School of Art and Architecture

Dr. Jaideep Chatterjee (Ex Rn, 1988) who is now Dean of Jindal School of Art and Architecture, visited the school on 7th April and interacted with students of classes X to XII. Dr. Chatterjee has taught at several universities, including Cornell, The University of Cincinnati, and the University School of Architecture and Planning, Delhi. In addition to his academic pursuits, he also actively collaborates with designers, architects, artists, and filmmakers to work on many interdisciplinary projects.



A session with Dr. Jaideep Chatterjee

During this seminar, he shared his thoughts on 'emerging careers'. He also interacted with our Principal Mr Ajay Singh and discussed ways to engage the two institutions going forward. The seminar helped the students in gaining exposure about the various opportunities offered in today's world. It was a great learning experience for all the students.

Workshop on Pi Day

In honour of Pi Day on 14th March, a maths workshop was organized for classes VI and VII on 14th and 15th March 2023. Mr Abhijeet Das and Mr Tapas Hira of CCL - IIT Gandhinagar were the resource persons. Many practical activities



Pi Day

were conducted which included finger counting, straw leaves, straw flute, pipe end, 3D shapes and orthographic projection, finding the perfect square number, integration of mathematics and art in archery, bottle rocket, A4 paper jhalar, lamp making, human pendulum, graduation and Topi Sankar. Students were fascinated by the presence of mathematics everywhere and in everything they did.

Mindler Session

Counsellors from Mindler visited the Fort on 4th and 5th April to conduct a one-on-one counselling session with the students of new class XII. The workshop aimed at helping the students to figure out courses, colleges and foreign universities country as they move ahead. Before the counseling session, students also completed their online personality analysis intended to help them take decisions based on their aptitude, interest and abilities.



Career counselling session

Sessions on 'Strategic Planning' and 'Profile and Aptitude' were also conducted for classes IX and XII respectively.

The Youth Parliament, Dehradun

A total of 17 students participated in the 8th National Youth Parliament organized by IMS Unison University, Dehradun on 5th April 2023. The competition concluded within two days, each day having a different schedule. The students of The Scindia School did a tremendous effort and brought home the 'Best Delegation Award'. Aarni Sharma of X class received the "Rising Journalist" in 'All India Press Committee' whereas Prithvee Rajswarup Pathak of class X received the 'Hon'ble Mention' in 'Lok Sabha'. The students were



Best Delegation



enlightened throughout the journey and gained a lot of exposure in terms of practical working of the Parliament of India.

Leadership workshop for class XII

On 1st April 2023, 23 students were shortlisted from class XII to attend the leadership workshop at the SOBA House. The workshop was conducted by Mr Sarabjit S. Wallia founder of 'Entendido', along with Ms Kamakshi and Ms Pranvi. The workshop lasted for 2 days, and each day was full of several exciting



Activity during Leadership Workshop

activities. On the first day all sat in the conference hall, where a video was shown on the topic of "Where am I?" Mr Sarabjit further asked the students about their response to the question "Who is a leader?" Many students put forward their views, but he said it was something the students would know after the workshop ends.

The students were divided into two groups, and had separate sessions, but they collaborated during various activities. The facilitators, with the aid of these activities, aimed to teach lessons like unity, efficiency and teamwork. Several other activities were organised so that the individuals could get to know themselves better.

At the end of the session all the students were instructed to fill in the feedback

form and had to rank themselves and others as well. Everyone was grateful that they had attended such an enlightening session and thanked all the facilitators.

The Suryodaya IT Fest'23

The Suryodaya IT Fest'23, a competitive event aimed at encouraging students' abilities in a variety of IT-related competitions, was held at The Scindia School, Gwalior on 6th and 7th April 2023. Competitions for digital cartoon creation, website design, online quiz, computer whizkid, sound editing, multimedia presentations, digital photography and editing, and movie making were among the events that took place over the course of the two days. Along with the teacher escorts, we welcomed each participants warmly. Principal, Mr Ajay Singh, declared the event open.



The winner team of the Suryodaya IT Fest '23

The-Ally & Rightsfully founder and CEO, Mr Nitin Narkhede (Ex-Rn, 1989) attended the closing ceremony as the Chief Guest. The Scindia School stood first after two days of thrilling competitions based on the overall points. The runner-up was Scindia Kanya Vidyalaya, Gwalior and Mayo College, Ajmer came third.

A trip to Queen of Satpura- Pachmarhi

A group of 24 students of class VI and 4 teachers headed for their destination to Pachmarhi, on the dusk of 21st March via train. On the morning of the 22nd, they reached Pipariya Railway station and from there they boarded a bus that took them to their destination, Bharat Scout and Guide Camps, National Adventure Institute, Pachmarhi. The students had incredible learning experiences throughout their camps. Along with trekking to Rajendra Giri Garden, Bee Falls, Jatashankar, Mahadev, Gupt Mahadev, Priyadarshini Point, Pandava Caves, they visited many other places like Bison Lodge, Handi Kho, etc. All the members of the group participated in activities like Zip Line, Sky Cycling, Rappelling, Obstacle activities, Rifle shooting, Horse Riding, Archery, Boating, etc. They also had a unique experience of utensil-less cooking. The students showcased their talents during the campfire each day. Though they were the youngest in the entire group of students, they accepted the task of organizing Camp Fire on 24th March and were appreciated for carrying it out marvellously. The overall experience of the camp was memorable. All of them learned how to tackle the challenges and after finishing one task everyone was more confident and excited about completing the next task. The trip made an indelible impression on all the students.



Class VI enjoying the trip

Community Service Camp Report

A group of 64 boys accompanied by 6 teachers set out on a week-long service camp from 22nd to 28th March 2023 to a quaint village by the name of Churaman ka pura, Bhind. The objective of the project was to recondition a government primary school. In no time the students found an activity of interest and got going with vigor. Whether it was painting the premises, laying the brick wall or mixing mortar, young Scindians were found engrossed in their respective arena day in and day out. The time that was spent in the village was no less than a lesson and perhaps an important one, which one might not be able to learn in a classroom. On the third day, a group of students along with a teacher in-charge went around the village to conduct a survey which was designed to identify the difficulties faced by the villagers. A report of which is to be submitted to the local authorities of Bhind after detailed analysis. The project came to an end with a community lunch which was organized by the staff & students of the Scindia School for the residents of the village. Once again, the strong spirit of service was evidently seen, as the team served lunch to people with love. It was an enriching experience for all the students. It taught them the importance of service and infused them with a sense of giving back to the community.



Celebration after hard work

A journey to Tadoba National Park

From 22nd to 29th March 2023, students of Class VIII with Mr Jagdish Joshi went to the Tadoba National Park for their educational camps. The students boarded the train on the 22nd and reached Nagpur. On the first day, the students were welcomed by SOBA Nagpur. From there they boarded the bus and went to the campsite just a few hours away. There they did various adventure activities like Zipline, Burma Bridge etc. The students spent the night under the starry sky in tents. The next morning, the students went to the Chimur Tiger Resort by bus, where all the students were divided into groups of four and allotted rooms accordingly. All the students enjoyed their leisure time with activities such as Table tennis, Carrom, Swimming etc. In the evening, they had two sessions about birds and mammals. It was facilitated by two wildlife experts; the students got a lot of insights into the Tadoba National Park and its biosphere. The next day, all the students got up early with lots of enthusiasm to go to the Tiger safari. There was a jungle safari too where students explored two different parts of the 623 square km area of the 'Tadoba-Andhari National Park'. The following day, the students went to Hemalkasa which is a tribal hospital, a school and an animal orphanage which was started by the famous Padma Shri Baba Amte in 1973. Here the students also got to meet Shri Prakash Amte. He personally showed the students the animal orphanage. On the final day, the students went back to Nagpur and departed from there; reaching Gwalior on the 28th. This camp gave all students lots of cheerful memories along with a lot of insights about Wildlife and Tribal Culture and Traditions.



At Tadoba National Park

Sand, Sun and Sea – Exploring Goa

On 22nd March 2023, 46 students of class X along with 5 teachers left for Goa. It was a 36-hour-long journey, but it was made interesting with fun activities like 'antakshri', 'uno' and 'chess'. We reached Thivim the next day at 4:00 pm, where we met representatives of 'Sahasea Group' who escorted us to our hotel. The students were divided into two groups, Group A was led by Ms Sneha Bhagat and Mr Manoj Mishra and Group B was led by Mr Srijit Pillai, Mr Nitin Shelar and Mr Pankaj Mishra. On the first day, Group A went tide pooling and kayaking. The children saw various flora and fauna at the beach. They even took part in a beach cleanup. Group B, on the other hand, went for a session aboard a catamaran with renowned environment conservationist Ms Puja Mitra who told the kids about dolphins and their habitat. Then they went to watch the dolphins. This was followed by a visit to the Museum of Goa where the kids learnt about the history of Goa through contemporary artwork created by Mr Subodh Kerkar. They were inspired and their creative genius overflowed in



Session on terrarium making

an activity where they took part in the art form of Fauvism. In the evening session, students were shown equipment for Scuba diving and were given a demonstration of the same. On the second day, the groups swapped their activities. On the third day, Group A went scuba diving and Group B went for a jungle walk. In the evening, Mr A. N Dar (Ex-Principal of The Scindia School) came to meet the students. On day four, Group A went for a jungle walk at Assagao Village. We met Ms Marryanne Vandana, an ecologist, she told us about the flora and fauna of Goa and particularly of the village. After breakfast, Mr Neel took a session on terrarium and students made their terrarium. On the fifth day, Group A went to visit Candolim Beach at 6 am and Group B went Scuba diving. The students safely returned to the Fort on 30th March.

The Unexplored Nature's Bounty - Gaj Pass Trek

On 22nd March 2023, 22 students of class 11th (commerce section) along with 2 teachers, Ms Raksha Siriah and Mr Chetan Bhatia, left for Gaj Pass Trek near Dharamshala, Himachal Pradesh. After reaching the camp site at Dehra village, we started our practice trek of 4 kms which we enjoyed. Post lunch we enjoyed Zip Line activity which was adventurous and fun.

Next day, we headed towards Base Camp 1 which was a steep trek of 6 kms. We reached the Base Camp well in time. From there we had to proceed to the Gaj Pass. However, after walking for 15 minutes we realised that the rain God had a different plan for us. The weather changed unexpectedly and although rain was predicted after 2:30 pm, it started raining around 12:30 pm. Looking at the sudden change in weather, we took a decision of returning to Base Camp 1. It proved to be a good decision as the minute we reached the camp there was a hailstorm. For two hours we had to take shelter under an abandoned house as tents were not strong enough to face the wind and heavy rain.

The best learning from this trek was the hospitality of locals as our tents were not able to protect us from the rain, our camp manager arranged our stay at homes of locals of the place. We spent two nights there safely. They welcomed us whole heartedly. Thanks to the manager and local people for making our stay comfortable and memorable.

On 26th we started our journey for Dharmshala and McLeod Ganj where we visited War memorial, Bhagsu Nag Temple and waterfall, Budha monastery and Norbu Linga Institute, which has kept centuries old Tibetan Culture alive by imparting skills like woodwork, painting, carving etc. to the people. After a good informative session at Norbu Linga institute, we started our journey back to the school. This trip was full of learning, adventure and fun.



Scaling the heights at Gaj Pass

The Heart of India- Kanha National Park

This year was indubitably an adventurous one for our young budding Scindians of class VII. Their batch went on a trip to Kanha National Park. A total of 5 teachers escorted 58 students from 22nd to 28th March 2023 and made some unforgettable memories together. The students on their first day went to see the Dhuandhar Waterfalls. The scenery was breathtaking. Everyone was star-struck to notice the water droplets floating in the air. As “the pursuit of knowledge is everlasting”, the students got to know how the eminent Narmada River narrows down and plunges into a waterfall so forcefully that it creates a bouncing mass of mist and results in the Dhuandhar falls. Later they all went for a boat ride at Bhedaghat. The guides on the boats explained the important things about the ghats in an entertaining and rhythmic way. Later that day, all the devoted Scindians went to see the famous 52ft Shiva statue. The schedule of the whole day famished the students, so they had their nihari at the temple and enjoyed the drizzle which made the day better. The next day, all the energetic students with their keen eyes spotted animals such as Barking Deer, Barah Singha, Langurs, Indian Bisons, etc. Later they had a bamboo handicraft workshop by a local artisan. They also visited a museum in the resort that illustrated the life of the Gonds and Baiga tribes. The students made bamboo mats, toys, tokri, etc. The following day, all the students increased their knowledge of “Project Tiger” and visited villages. That was followed by a

talk session by a senior naturalist on the importance of Kanha and wildlife conservation in general. The students attended a pottery workshop by a local artisan. The trip became better with dance performances and interactions with local Baiga tribes. It was interesting to see the rhythm and beats of their dance. With unforgettable memories, the trip came to an end. The students learnt something beyond their classes and these lessons will stay with them forever.



Boat ride at Bhedaghat

Queen of The Hills - Ooty

On 22nd March 2023, 24 boys of class XI A and XI B left for an Educational Trip to Ooty with Mr Anil Pathania and Mr Anoop as teachers-in-charge. After a tiresome journey of 40 hours (about 1 and a half days) the Scindians finally arrived at the Coimbatore Railway Junction on 24th March. The boys then had a scrumptious authentic South-Indian meal at Sri Amuthaas before leaving for a 4-hour journey to Queen of the Hills, Ooty. After arriving at the Yantra Leisures resort, the students were introduced to Mr Raminder. A meeting was held before the dinner to brief the students about the schedule of upcoming days. Post dinner, everyone was given some free time to explore the premises and then they went off to sleep. The next morning, students had their breakfast at the resort itself with a great weather and an excellent view. With their bellies full, students began their journey towards Toda Village. It took around 1.5 hours to reach the village. Todas are the primitive tribes of Nilgiris and Todas are mainly found in the upper Nilgiris that's mainly grassland. Students interacted with tribal groups there and got to see the Giant Malabar Squirrel.

The next day, students went to the highest peak of Nilgiris, the Doddabetta peak. It is about 8600 ft from sea level. The peak gives the divine view of the entire Ooty. Later that day, students headed to Madras Regimental Museum. It was an enriching experience as everyone got to know about the history of the Madras Regiment and even learnt the war cry “Veer madrassi, adi kollu, adi kollu, adi kollu !” “O brave Madrassi, hit and kill, hit and kill, hit and kill !” Adi means hit and Kollu means cut.

On the last day, the boys went to the Tata Research Center where they learnt about the Radio Telescope and how Radio technology works. The radio telescope was about 1/2km long. This enriching and knowledgeable experience at Tata Research Centre helped the students to learn a lot about new technologies.

Later that day, the students were given an outing and were taken to explore the beautiful town of Ooty. There they learnt that Ooty is the hub of chocolates in India. After this amazing journey, the students returned to the Fort on 30th April with lots of enthusiasm and thirst to learn more.



Enjoying the scenic beauty

*Happy Holidays !
Enjoy your Summer Vacation.*



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