

SCINDIA KANYA VIDYALAYA

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EDITORIAL

There is a timelessness about the scene that we see around this time every year.

As winter turns to spring the entire campus has donned its best floral attire.

The birds provide the perfect background score. While nature shows off its sights and sounds, the girls are buried deep in books in preparation for the Board exams.



Successive batches of students pass through the same cycle of time at this remarkable school that is the repository of the best that nature can endow and nurture can provide.

This month we celebrated Vasant Panchami acknowledging the contribution of our support staff into making SKV the home that we love. We also harvested the organic farming produce which is in huge demand by the school community. The organic compost-piles will be ready for opening in the next few weeks. "Sanchay" : The Sustainability Project, is well under way!

I hope you enjoy Spring in SKV brought to you in this newsletter.

Nishi Misra,
Principal



ORGANIC KITCHEN GARDEN

Last December, the Principal, staff and teachers established an organic kitchen garden at SKV, as part of an environmental project. The process started with choosing the appropriate site, preparing the land, sowing seeds like spinach, coriander and fenugreek.

Horticulturist Mr. Mahesh Mishra guided us further in planting seeds for brinjal, mint and tomato saplings as well. Three months of hard work resulted in a good harvest.

Bundles of the produce were sold from a makeshift stall along the main school avenue. Vegetables were packed in newspaper bags and sold to staff members as part of the school's drive towards sustainable development.

As a marketing strategy amla (Indian gooseberries) were given free of cost with the vegetables and we were able to raise a good amount.

There are further plans to expand the kitchen garden area for sowing summer crops like lady fingers, bottlegourd, green chillies, pumpkin etc.





TRAY GARDENING

On 8th February, 2019 a tray gardening workshop was conducted by Mr. Mahesh Mishra, a horticulturist. The workshop was organized in the SKV campus with the students of Classes 9 and 11 taking part. Tray gardening is an amazing way to transform a large tray or shallow container with petite plants or dwarf varieties into an enchanted landscape. It is an amazing way of decorating one's very own terraces and balconies.

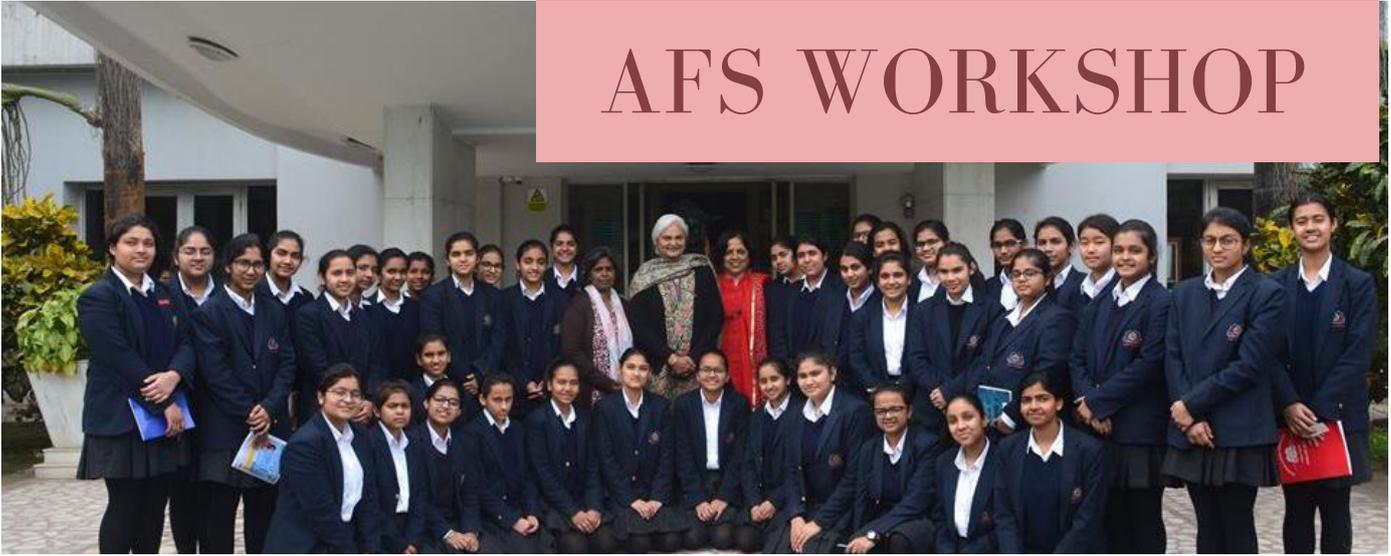
AKHIL BHARTIYA BHAVBHOOTI SAMAROH

AKHIL BHARTIYA BHAVBHOOTI SAMAROH was a four day programme held at Jiwaji University, Gwalior, from 20th February 2019 to 23rd February 2019. From SKV, two students participated in the school level competitions. These competition were: essay writing, singing of traditional shlokas. In the latter, Muskaan Kaushik secured the first position, while in essay writing Aayushika Kalta also secured the top prize. The prize, along with a certificate, was a cash award of Rs.500/- each. Indu Chaturvedi, the Sanskrit teacher and HOD of the Indian Languages department at SKV was honoured with the 'Bhavbhooti Samman' for her contribution to Sanskrit, her command over the language and her literary skills.



The name Bhavbhooti is taken from the name of a renowned Sanskrit bard who lived in the 8th century in Madhya Pradesh.

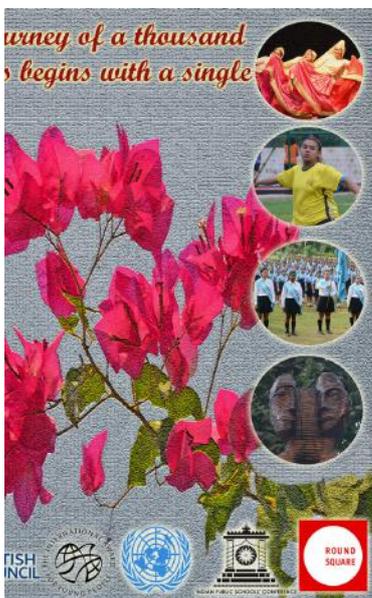
AFS WORKSHOP



On 23rd and 24th February, a workshop for teachers and students was organized by AFS, an organization to which recently the school has been affiliated. They facilitate exchange programmes and, ever since our membership, some students have availed of their short term programmes to various countries.

On Saturday, the teachers' workshop, entitled ICL (Intercultural learning) focused on acquiring international mindedness and the challenges that one faces living in today's globalized society. The students' workshop on Global Competencies was designed to instruct students on various sustainable goals and appreciate and, indeed, contribute to the amazing work that some have been doing in making this world a better place.

The workshops were well conducted by the AFS representative Ms. Sarita Bhadwar.



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Calendar 2019-20

INTER HOUSE CALENDAR COVER PAGE COMPETITION



An Inter-House Calendar Cover Page Competition was held over 3 days from 27th November to 1st December 2018. There were two participants from each house, competing in an open category. The result of the event is as follows:-
Vasundhara House – 1st
Yashodhara House – 2nd
Madhvi House --- 3rd

BASANT PANCHAMI CELEBRATION



Basant Panchami is the commencement of spring- even though here in Northern India the remnants of winter still linger. Basant Panchami has a specific meaning: Basant means “spring” and Panchami means “the fifth day”. The school celebrated Basant Panchami on 10th February 2019. The day started with saraswati puja in the Saraswati Lawn followed by a cultural program in MJS Hall.

The Indian music orchestra, comprising students from Class 12, performed a raga based on Raag Bhairav. Class 6 recited shlokas and poems. A group song- ritu basant hai aaya sabke man umang hai laya was sung by the students. There was also a lively Kathak dance performance by Rhytham Garg depicting the classical tradition of Shiv Vandhana and Mohini Bhasmasur, where Vishnu killed Bhasmasur with his wit.



On this day a nukkad natak competition on women’s issues was also organized in the arena. This was dedicated to the Founder Shrimant Vijaya Raje Scindia, who was a champion of women’s causes. The topics in these improvised dramatic productions were – Karmaa, Manmarziyan, Paanch din ki red light, hum gum ho gaye. The competition was judged on the following criteria - message and content, dialogue delivery, acting, and expression. Vasundhara and Yashodhara houses secured the first position, Madhavi bagged the second position and Usha house stood third.



The celebrations concluded with a community lunch, which is a tradition of our school, and ex-staff are invited to join the camaraderie. To celebrate this vibrant occasion the children were dressed in colourful Indian attire.

UPCOMING EVENTS

MAHASHIVRATRI 4TH APRIL

BIRTH ANNIVERSARY OF LATE H.H.MAHARAJA
MADHAV RAO SCINDIA
ON 10TH MARCH

HOLI CELEBRATION

COMMON ANNUAL SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS FOR
CLASSES 6 TO 8
18TH - 27TH MARCH

BOARD EXAMS OF
CLASSES 10 AND 12
2ND MARCH ONWARDS