



NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents, Family and Friends of OMK

Greetings to all!

"Success comes only to those who believe in themselves and are prepared to win."

Our commitment and promise at Open Minds -A Birla School, Kankarbagh is to gear up the children to face all challenges in multispectral growth. OMK aims to furnish a safe and intellectually challenging environment that will empower students to become innovative thinkers, creative problem solvers, inspired learners prepared to thrive in 21st century.

As the students are preparing to appear for the Mid Term Exams, the next few days are going to be crucial for them. Every achievement is deep rooted in hard work determination and dedication so, we inspire and motivate students to learn to best of their innate capabilities. At this point of time, I would like to quote Swami Vivekananda's line "Arise, awake and do not stop until the goal is reached."

Apart from this, high standards and expectations for each student in regard to academic performance, co-curricular participation, and responsible citizenship are the foundation of our school. It is with pride that we hold these high standards and ask each of our students to commit to maintaining the extraordinary record of achievement and contribution that has been the USP of OMK. Full participation in academic and co-curricular programs and the willingness to act responsibly as an individual within our educational environment are the factors that enable all to have a successful and enjoyable year.

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With the above stated note, I put forward the NEWSLETTER for the month of AUGUST, 2019

MERRY READING!

WORKSHOP ON THE THEME 'SNAKES ARE OUR FRIENDS'

Awareness is the door to security. It is the key ingredient in sculpting future plans. The major problems arise because there is sheer lack of awareness. If brought into notice the probable fallouts, the chances of hurdles and obstacles that are obvious, can be easily overridden. Therefore, 'STAY AWARE AND KEEP SPREADING AWARENESS!'.

In today's world, one of the identities that is feared a lot is that of snakes. For many individuals, just the utterance of the word 'snake' may be potent enough to give goose bumps for a second or two. But, to be very honest, the scenario is not so drastic as it is presented. Snakes are one of the major components of the environment and are equally important as the other organisms. Due to lack of information in regard to snakes and a few illogical thoughts which people have, snakes have found a residence in hearts of many and are a cause of fright.

Therefore, in order to create awareness about snakes, a renowned organisation **TRY**, conducted an awareness workshop in context to snakes on **August 17, 2019** for the students of **Grades 6 to 8**, in the school premises. A lot of information regarding snakes, their handling, and anti-venoms was rendered to the students. It was really an enlightening session.



We got New Pals!

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATIONS

“Held with care
Draped with pride
Immersed in love
Speaking of unity
Flying in glory
Proclaiming about integration”

When India speaks about freedom, what comes in mind is the midnight of August 15, 1947 when the official announcement of Indian independence was made. It was a moment of liberation when the chained Indians unchained themselves from the brutal shackles of the British.

To commemorate that auspicious day, the Independence Day was celebrated in the premises of Open Minds, Kankarbagh on August 15, 2019. The function initiated with the most pious and traditional 'Flag Hoisting Ceremony' by our Honourable Principal, Mr. Madhukar Jha. The entire campus echoed with patriotic hymns and songs. The day was embarked with great joy and happiness.



United We Are!

TAKSHILA SCIENCE CARNIVAL

Science is an art. It is not only about facts but also about new ideas and newer imaginations. It allows transforming one's thoughts into reality. It helps in better understanding of the physicality of life and its happenings.

Delhi Public School, Patna in association Takshila organised a Science Carnival on August 16, 2019. OMKites across Grades 8 to 11 participated in the carnival. A project on Aquaponics and production of calcium from egg shells were exhibited at the event from OMK. A number of reputed schools of the town participated in the carnival. OMK bagged the second prize in the event. It was a moment of pure joviality and pride.



Budding Scientists!

JANMASHTAMI CELEBRATIONS

यदा यदा हि धर्मस्य
ग्लानिर्भवति भारत।
अभ्युत्थानम् अधर्मस्य
तदात्मानं सृजाम्यहम्॥

The above stated shloka from 'The Bhagvada Gita' is one of the most often quoted shlokas of Lord Krishna. Lord Krishna taught humanity to follow such life patterns that do not have the build of dishonesty and corruption. The birth of Lord Krishna was said to be the steering force that would end the ills of Dwaparyuga.

Grade K2 celebrated Janmashtami on **August 23, 2019** in the premises. The tiny toddlers were dressed up as Krishna carrying a 'bansuri' and Radha carrying a 'matka'. The sight of theirs left everyone spell bound. The celebration turned out to be a memorable one. The children enjoyed to the depth.



GLITTERING KANHAS AND GOPIYANS!

INVESTITURE CEREMONY

Leadership is the capacity to translate vision into reality.

- Warren Bennis

The Investiture ceremony marks the assurance and confidence that the school entrusts on the newly invested office bearers. Donning the mantle of accountability, they also pledge to bestow their duties to the best of their abilities.

The Investiture Ceremony for the session 2019-20 was held on **August 24, 2019** in the **Sharda Auditorium**, School Campus. The ceremony was held with lots of zeal and zest. It commenced with the traditional Lamp Lighting ceremony followed by **Vedic Padya Patha**. A welcome dance was also showcased on the prestigious occasion. Following the welcome dance, the newly elected office bearers announced their arrival into the auditorium, marching with their head held high. They were conferred with badges and sashes by our Honourable Directors, Principal and School Manager. Our Principal, Mr. Madhukar Jha, administered the oath for the students' council members. They took the pledge to hold the school motto of Loyalty, Truth and Honour in high esteem.



FLAMING UP TO EMPOWER



ENCHANTING SHLOKA



THE WELCOME TROUPE



HEADING FOR RESPONSIBILITIES



TAKING THE GUARD!



PINNED!



YES, I DO!



THE CHOSEN ONES!



INTER SCHOOL DEBATE COMPETITION

School communities need to go beyond limitations, make the next step and start to really cultivate and encourage skills for the next century. Our teachers and our students need to belong into a learning community, sharing ideas, moving forward, being empowered.

With the above highlighted perspective in mind, Open Minds- A Birla School, Kankarbagh hosted the **INTER SCHOOL DEBATE COMPETITION** under the guidance of **Patliputra Sahodaya Complex, Patna** on **August 31, 2019** on the occasion of **Gandhi Sesquicentennial Celebration**. Thirteen reputed and renowned schools made their participation on the dais. The motion of the topic was **“Is Gandhi Relevant at present time?”**. Two speakers, one speaking for the motion and the other speaking against the motion, gave their presentation. An exceptionally high order oratory skill was noted in all the participants. The Rebuttal Session was the most enjoyable section. The judges of the event were Dr. Saloni Kumar and Dr. B.D. Sarkar, two eminent literary figures of Patna. The event was a grand success and everyone was thrilled at the splendid presentations of the children.



ENLIGHTENED!



And I am against the motion!

THE JUSTIFYING JURY MEMBERS!



THE WINNERS!



FELICITATED



BIHAR GOVERNMENT TAEKWONDO AND BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

To foster round the corner development of children, activities and academics must run hand in hand. Sports activities nurture the children's spirit of working together as a team with the feeling of unity and companionship.

Believing as the same above, Bihar Government organised a State Level **TAEKWONDO AND BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT** on **August 19, 2019** at Patliputra Sports Complex, Patna. Best teams across the state signed their participation. Our girls and boys team represented OMK on such a prestigious platform. The boys team secured the runner-up position whereas the girls troop finished off securing the fourth place. Splendorous performance was noted in Taekwondo also. **Shelly Bagga and Aditya Rajvardhan** secured the first position respectively and were awarded gold medals respectively. They also qualified for State Level Championships. It was really a matter of pride for all OMKites to have experienced such a marvellous achievement.



THE WINNING BRIGADE!

PATLIPUTRA SAHODAYA COMPLEX ACCOLADES

OMKites participated in various competitions organised by different schools across Patna under the aegis of PATLIPUTRA SAHODAYA COMPLEX. Following are the highlights:

1. Dance Competition at DY Patil International School: OMKites stood Third

2. Extempore Competition at Litera Valley School: OMKites stood Second.

TEACHERS OF THE MONTH

1. Ms. Santosh Agarwal (Dept. of Mathematics)

2. Ms. Richa (Dept. of ICT)

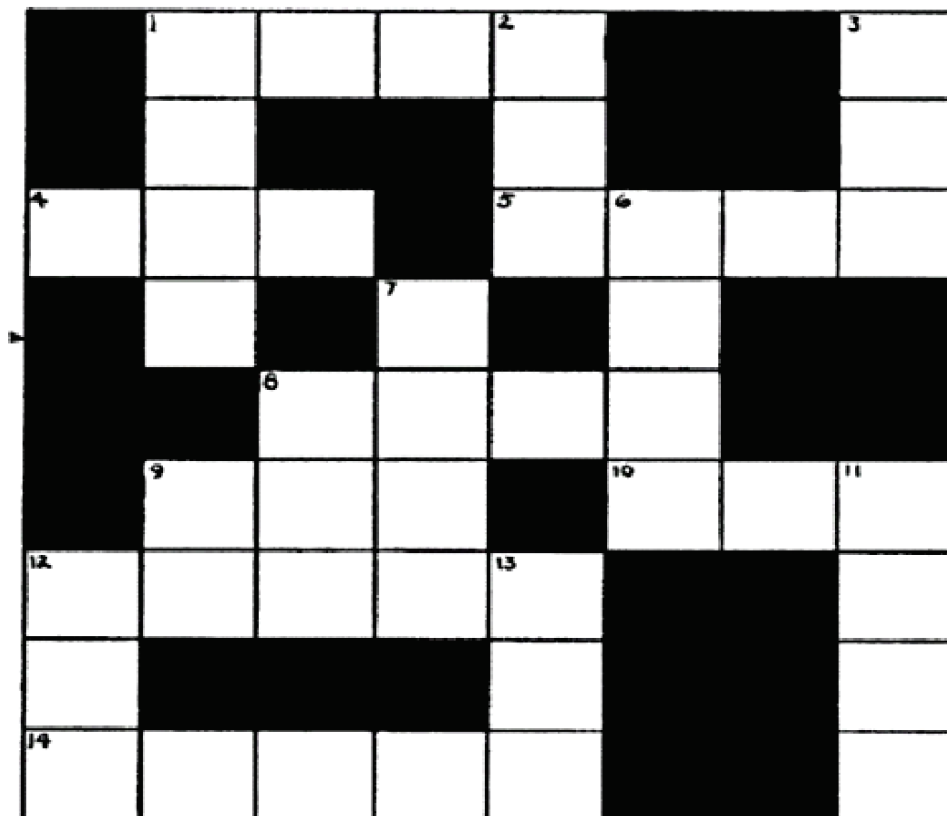
Aloofness leads to depression!

Being companionable directs to happiness!

Everyone at OMK is extremely privileged to have a very strong association with all who have ever been in concern. Loneliness or walking alone has never been our call. We have a strong hope that this unparalleled support, guidance and companionship will always remain the same. We wish to continue this for ever and ever!

SOLVE THE FOLLOWING CROSSWORD:

A Farm Crossword Puzzle



Across:

1. Yield of a planted field
4. A kind of tree, like oak
5. This machine digs up fields
8. A place where animals and crops are raised
9. Opposite of stand
10. Sack to carry feed in
12. An animal to ride on
14. A long-necked bird which honks

Down:

1. A baby horse
2. A baby dog
3. An animal that gives milk
6. A baby sheep
7. Animals that chase mice
8. A kind of evergreen tree
9. Word that rhymes with go
11. Animal with horns
12. Another word for pig
13. What we see with