



OPEN MINDS  
A BIRLA SCHOOL  
KANKARBAGH



# NEWSLETTER APRIL

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From

The Principal's Desk

Dear Readers

"Remember to celebrate milestones as you prepare for the road ahead."

Open Minds conveys its most cordial salutation to all as we cross another milestone and usher into the eleventh academic year ( 2023-24 ) of the school. We are indeed appreciative of you for your conscientious endeavours to glorify the school with your benefaction in the locales of academics as well as other consequential areas of amelioration.

Now, as we slowly but steadily regain foothold, every small success points to another incredible and productive school year. At the very outset, we wish to congratulate the laudable academic fulfilments of our Omkites despite many unforeseen disruptions last year including our graduating cohorts whose academic success will provide inspiration to many.

We contemplate the truth that the last school year had been challenging for many as it demanded the recovery of learning losses and gaps exacerbated due to the reduced school timing by the sudden closure of offline classes out of reasons which stand inevitable. This resulted a tough time for many to concentrate on the lessons taught in the previous class. However students with a strong willpower amalgamated with self discipline and self reliance had an edge over others in coping with such difficulties.

It has been recognized that not all change is improvement, but all improvement involves change. Thus we owe our gratitude to the parents and all the stakeholders for their faith in us. Your commitment to ensure that Open Minds remains a celebrated and successful school is awe-inspiring. We are committed to live upto the rich testimony of a decade of excellence and to add a new leaf to the grandeur of the school we await the inauguration of our new extension the next academic year.

Thank you for entrusting your child's education to us. We look forward to a fantastic year ahead.

Happy reading!

Principal



K2

# ORIENTATION



Open Minds on the 1<sup>st</sup> of April, 2023, organised a towering orientation to make schooling more easier for both the students and the parents making them understand the institution's character and policies. Our school is a place where all members of the school community are respected and valued. We have a strong focus on academic excellence, and we strive to create a safe and inspiring learning environment for all. We are committed to help each student develop into a responsible, educated, and well-rounded individual. The program bolstered the parents with our home built app 'Eduletics' which helps each student to develop into a responsible, educated, and well-rounded individual.



Every moment is a fresh beginning!



Yash Singh (K2 Delta)



Daksh Ray (K2 Iota)



Garvit (K2 Delta)



The tiny tots are ready to pave a pathway for the future.



K2 Iota



K2 Delta



K2 Delta



K2 Iota



Shashi Kumar (Delta)



Pratyush Ratnakar (Delta)



Suvesha Kumari    Daksh Ray    Yash Singh

A peep into the diverse countenances exploring the unseen beauty of life!



Devansh Sharma



Atharv Kumar



Pragati Krishna

Yash Singh



Reyanshi Ranjan

Dhruv Raj



Advik Singh



The glorious appearances celebrating the spring time and fabricating wonders with balloons.





# FELICITATING

# THE FACILITATORS

2<sup>nd</sup>



Mentors of Music & Dance

3<sup>rd</sup>



Mentors of Taekwondo

1<sup>st</sup>



Mentors of Chanakya Skit

Appreciating people's efforts are the finest way to enhance their efficiency at work. Recognition of a person's efforts add up to his or her productivity.

Keeping up with this philosophy, the school decided to identify its leaders in various fields by awarding them in cash and in kind. Certificates of recognition, badges for promotion and acknowledgement were conferred upon the individuals who had proved their mettle in the face of challenges on their work fronts. It was a joy to see the honoured faces beaming with pride and fulfilment.



The Security Team

All our dreams can come true if we have the courage to pursue them.



Employees who feel loved perform better

The glory of having received a recognition is an unending source of happiness. It has been in the custom of Open Minds that we never let hard work go without acknowledgement.



Mrs. Jyoti



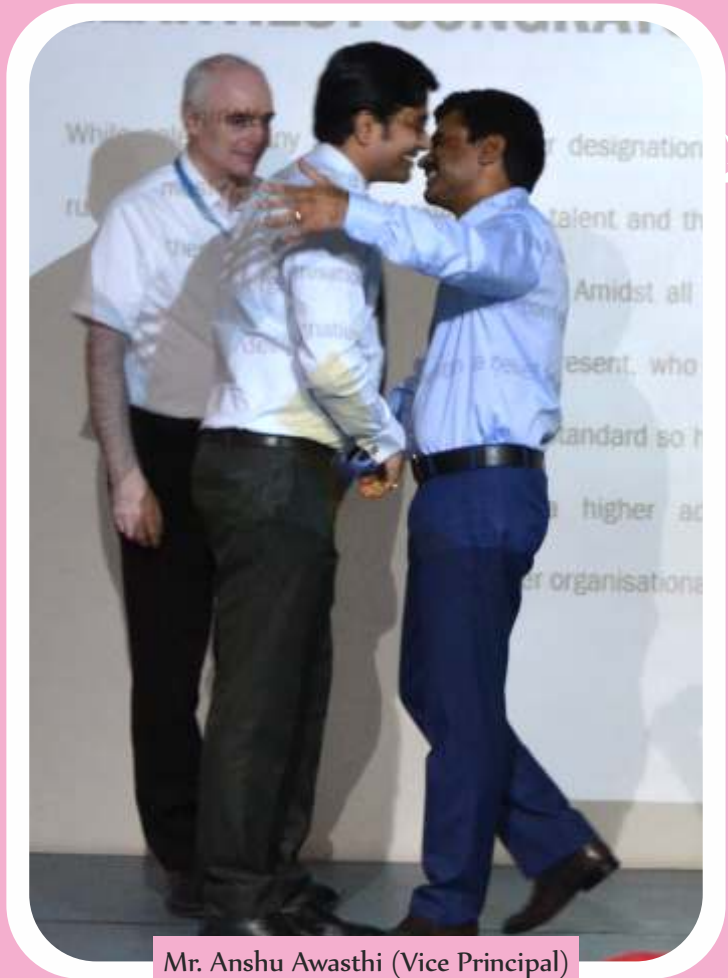
Mr. Sudhir Tiwari



Mr. Ashok Mishra



Mrs. Tamanna Kaushik



Mr. Anshu Awasthi (Vice Principal)



Mrs. Rekha Kumari (Art)



Mr. Anshu Awasthi (Vice Principal)



Mr. Vishal (Auditor)



Mr. Saurabh (Auditor)



Mr. Rohit (Lesson Plan Co-ordinator)

Great achievement always required great sacrifice.

"Nine-tenth of education is encouragement."



Ms Gayatri (Grade K2)

Ms Prachi Priya (Grade 1)

Ms Sneha (Grade 2)



Ms Sweta Soni (Grade K3)

Ms Sonam Kumari (Grade 4)

Ms Ranjana Verma (Grade 5)



Ms Renu Singh (Grade 6)

Mr Rohit Kumar (Grade 7)

Mr Shammy Sinha (Grade 8)



Mr Somesh Kashyap (Grade 9)

The Best Class Teacher award was presented to the personalities who have faced unprecedented challenges and have risen to them with grace, care and excellence. Above all their dedication to keep our children safe and engaged made them distinct from others.

A little bit of progress everyday adds up to big secrets.

# FELICITATING

## THE FACILITATORS

Lately the entire civilization has beheld a difference. No facet of human's existence has been left untouched. Facilitators since the beginning of this vocation have assumed ways to create impact in the lives of learners. With time, we perceived a change. The change indeed had been for the better. Recently, the innovation brought into this field of teaching is something that every wall of the abodes of the human race has been a witness.

Education has been through various ebbs and flows as the skills, the pedagogies or the innovation, the teachers have in themselves received a renovation. And to keep this inventiveness breathing, the organisation plans various training programmes for the teachers to help them upkeep the demands of the future generations and one such training program was conducted on April 7, 2023 by the representatives of the Birla Edutech Limited and the engagement the felicitators had with the trainers in the session was colossal.



Dr. Puspita Chattopadhyay  
Director - Academics and Special Projects



Ms. Paulomi Banerjee  
Regional Trainer



Ms. Megha Basu  
Teacher Trainer



Open Minds - A Birla School, Kankarbagh with Birla Edutech Limited Team



Confidence comes from discipline and training.

"Leadership and learning are indispensable to each other."



Good things take time.



10 Omega



9 Sigma



9 Iota

Dr. Puspita Chattopadhyay : Director - Academics and Special Projects, the Bel representative gave a visit to the senior classes and imbibed virtuous values inside their minds. Her insight of being grateful and having a consistent positive approach towards life made the students mindful of her words.



10 Sigma



10 Iota

Don't stop until you're proud.

# AMBEDKAR

# JAYANTI



Manas (8 Zeta)



Participants of 8 Delta and 8 Zeta.

"Cultivation of mind should be the ultimate aim of human existence." - Dr. B.R. Ambedkar.

The school community gathered to commemorate the auspicious Ambedkar Jayanti on April 14, 2023 and the atmosphere was one filled with of reverence and celebration.



The majestic decorations that graced the institution's holy grounds added to the occasion's magnificence.

As students and faculty members gathered to honour the visionary leader who dedicated his life to the upliftment of the oppressed and marginalised, the aroma of intellect filled the air. Everyone in attendance bowed in respect to the Father of the Indian Constitution, and the air was electrifying with a sense of patriotism and dedication.



Aashita Prakash (8 Zeta)



Nimisha Poddar



Anshika Patel



Divyanshu



Manasvi



Kshiraj



Shanur Rahman

# CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAM

## BY CBSE

A workshop was devised at our school to enhance the working skills of our teachers. The past year has been a wake-up call for all of us in the educational field. It is important for our faculties to develop and strengthen the skills, the instincts, the abilities, the processes and the resources that are needed to survive, adapt, and thrive in a fast-changing world.



Keep training and learning until you get it right.

Teachers experiencing a moment of diverse inquisitiveness. The process of thinking itself involved many linkages with education and the overall outcome of classroom.



Wisdom comes not from brains but from education and learning.



# THE ASSEMBLAGE OF THOUGHTS

"School assembly serves as a focusing centre for all forms of extra- curricular life." - WR.Smith

Morning assembly is an important part of the school culture. It has the potential to maintain a positive and healthy school culture that binds everyone together. It is not just a clichéd activity rather helps in fulfilling the purpose of conventional gathering. It helps in cultivating self- confidence, public speaking skills and motivation in students. It results in the school living in cohesive harmony that sustains the pursuit of excellence in all its forms. The students, at OMK, gather turn wise to conduct the morning assembly and set the tone for the day. They presented their ideas and information on different topics and students learnt to enhance their intrapersonal skills.



# PRESENTATION

## BY PRIMARY STUDENTS

It was noteworthy that students of the Primary Wing of our School participated in various activities. Their performance has been at par excellence. The enthusiasm of students and the cooperation of their parents has been exemplary for senior students of the school. The puzzle-solving game played by the participants nonplussed the audience and it was a marvelous performance. Other activities like Ramp-walk, painting, drawing, dance, indoor and outdoor games, etc. were organized by the teachers for fun and learning. The students not only enjoyed all activities but were also seen eager to learn new things. The parents valued the efforts made by the teachers. They were also amazed to find the keen interest and involvement of teachers and school administration. The hard work behind these activities was reflected in the participation and zeal of students.



4 Delta



4 Iota



4 Omega



4 Omicron



4 Sigma



1 Delta



Adwik Pandey



4 Omega



4 Sigma



4 Iota



4 Delta



4 Omicron

Children expressing magic with their beautiful enactments!

Words have power.

# LEARNING

## THROUGH ACTIVITIES

April comes and brings with it a plethora of activities which beautify the OMK's academic routine with interesting hues.

This year too, it was a variegated display of creativity, talent and synchronicity up to grade 8. From 9 to 12, it was the teacher's prerogative to decide which activities suited to the needs of that particular class. Thus several subjects and skill sets were amalgamated to fashion up their last periods.



The connection that the school builds with teachers, students, parent and administration makes the students feel that they are a part of community where they are safe.



Festivals are celebrated to break the monotony of life. They enhance our social and cultural life as we get to know about different cultures. The students of K2 celebrated Eid in the school with immense joy and cheerfulness. They actively participated in the celebration along with their teachers who guided them. The celebration was done in a very traditional manner so as to make the students aware of our culture and traditions. The students decked up in fancy and colourful clothes, were brimming with enthusiasm. It made the moment filled with an aura of beautiful colours and festivity.

**EID**

**MUBARAK!**



Everyday of our life is a special occasion.

A quick look at the divine festival 'Eid'!



Riyanshi Ranjan  
Trisha Kashyap,



Puru Chatterjee  
Shourya Raj



Advik Sahay  
Reyansh Singh



Abhiram Anand  
Garvit Kumar



Shidharth Arya  
Nivaan Verma



Divayraj Singh  
Divyansh Kumar



Rajat Raj  
Rutwik Chourasia



Manik Roy  
Rishabh Kumar



Nancy Priya  
Rabiya Mishra



Ayush Raj  
Devansh Sharma



Atharv Kumar  
Daksh



Kumari Pragya  
Indrakshi Kumar



Vivek Kumar  
Devansh Deep Raj



Ishan Prakash  
Divyaraj Singh



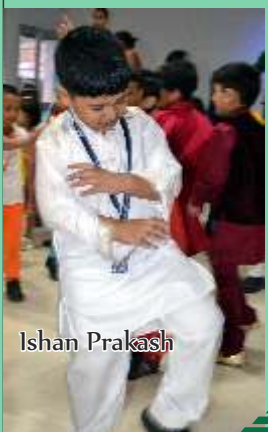
Riyanshi Ranjan  
Trisha Kashyap



Jayvardhan  
Aadvik Singh



Shashi Kumar  
Yash Singh



Ishan Prakash



Yash Singh



Ishan Prakash  
Divyaraj Singh



Shidharth Arya & Tashvi Singh

Life should not only be lived, it should be celebrated.