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From the Principal's Desk

Dear Readers,

January stands as the opening chapter of the year—a month that does not simply arrive, but unfolds with reflection, responsibility, and renewed energy. It is a time when endings and beginnings meet, when farewells carry the weight of memory and fresh journeys shimmer with promise.

The highlight of this month was the Farewell Ceremony for Grade 12, a moment steeped in gratitude and emotion. As our senior-most students prepare to step beyond the gates of their alma mater, we see not just young scholars departing, but individuals shaped by resilience, discipline, and values. You leave behind echoes of laughter in the corridors, footprints of perseverance in classrooms, and a legacy of inspiration for those who follow. This farewell is not a conclusion—it is a threshold, and we trust that the wisdom nurtured here will illuminate your path ahead.

Equally spirited was the Good Luck Party for Grade 10, a celebration of perseverance and determination at a crucial academic juncture. It reminded us that examinations are not merely tests of knowledge, but milestones that measure confidence, composure, and consistency.

The month also carried the joy of excursions for Grades 10, 11, and 12, journeys that extended learning beyond textbooks. These experiences fostered independence, cooperation, and social awareness—lessons that remain etched far longer than any written page. Such shared adventures strengthen bonds and create memories that become an inseparable part of school life.

As we now move closer to the examination season, I extend my heartfelt wishes to all students. May you approach each paper with clarity of thought, calm confidence, and faith in your preparation. Remember, examinations are important, but they do not define your worth. Your sincerity, integrity, and effort matter far more than any single result.

To parents, I express deep appreciation for your unwavering support. Your encouragement and understanding are the pillars upon which children build their courage and balance during this demanding phase.

With reverence to Maa Saraswati, may this New Year empower our students with wisdom, courage, and success—not only in examinations, but in life itself. And to our beloved Grade 12 students: farewell, but never goodbye. The world awaits your brilliance, and our blessings walk beside you.

Sincerely,
A. Awasthi

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Dear Reader,

January arrives not merely as the first page of the calendar, but as a season of resolve quiet, contemplative, and resolute. Within the walls of the school, the month unfolded as a confluence of discipline, discovery, and devotion to ideals, each moment contributing to a deeper narrative of growth and awakening.

The academic heartbeat of the month was marked by the Pre-Board Examinations, a defining chapter for students of Classes X and XII. More than a measure of scholastic readiness, these examinations stood as a testament to perseverance, self-reflection, and intellectual rigour. In the hushed corridors and focused classrooms, determination found its voice, reminding students that excellence is forged through consistency and resolve.

Learning transcended the confines of the classroom during the educational excursion to Gaya for students of Classes X, XI, and XII. Amid landscapes steeped in history and spiritual resonance, students encountered lessons no textbook could fully impart.The journey fostered reflection, unity, and a renewed appreciation for India's enduring cultural legacy—an experience that lingered long after the journey concluded.

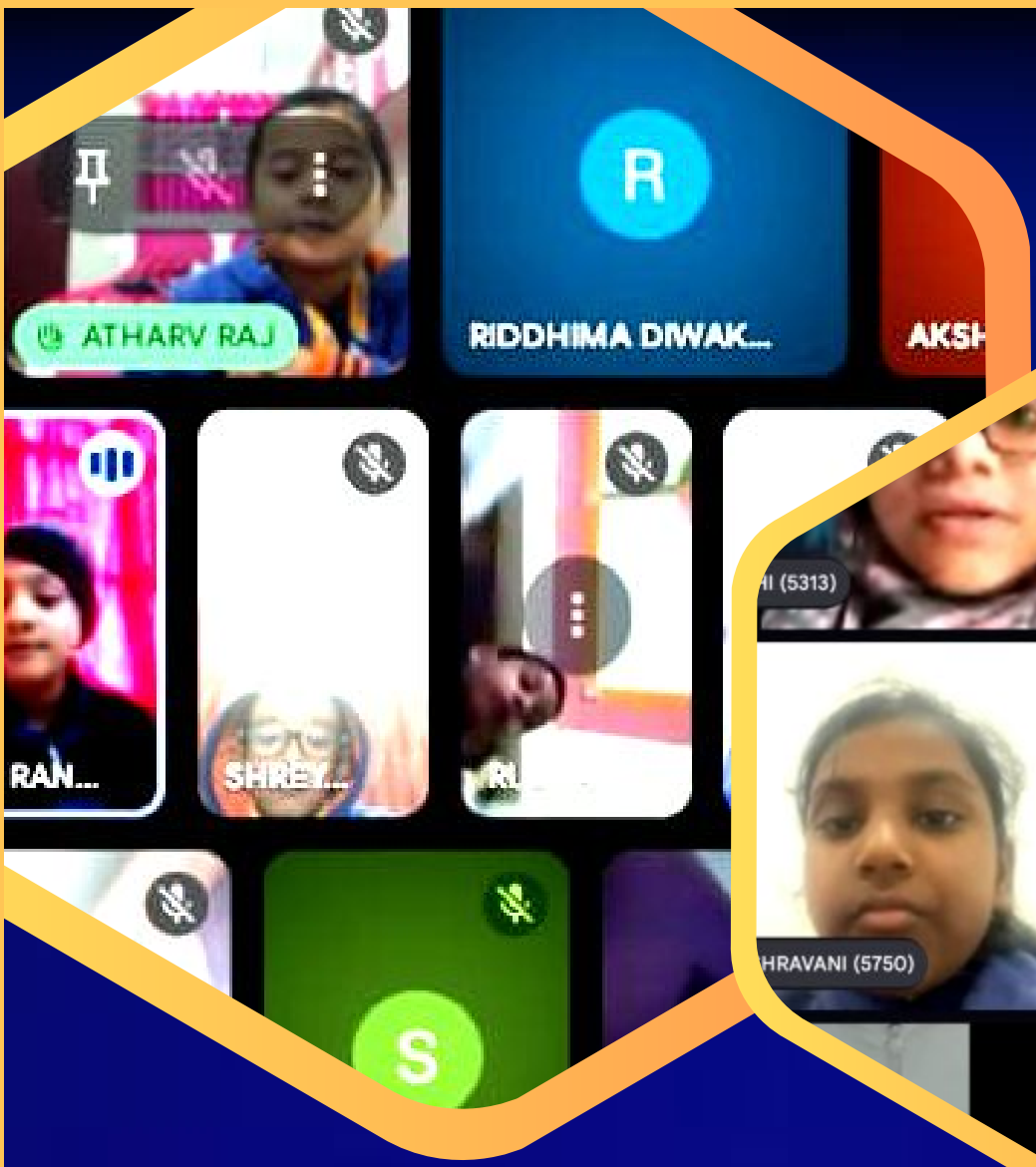
Patriotic fervor illuminated the campus with the celebration of the 77th Republic Day of India. As the national flag unfurled against the winter sky, the school community paused to honor the democratic ideals enshrined in the Constitution.The celebration echoed with gratitude for the sacrifices of the past and reaffirmed the responsibility of the present generation to uphold the principles of justice, liberty, equality, and fraternity.

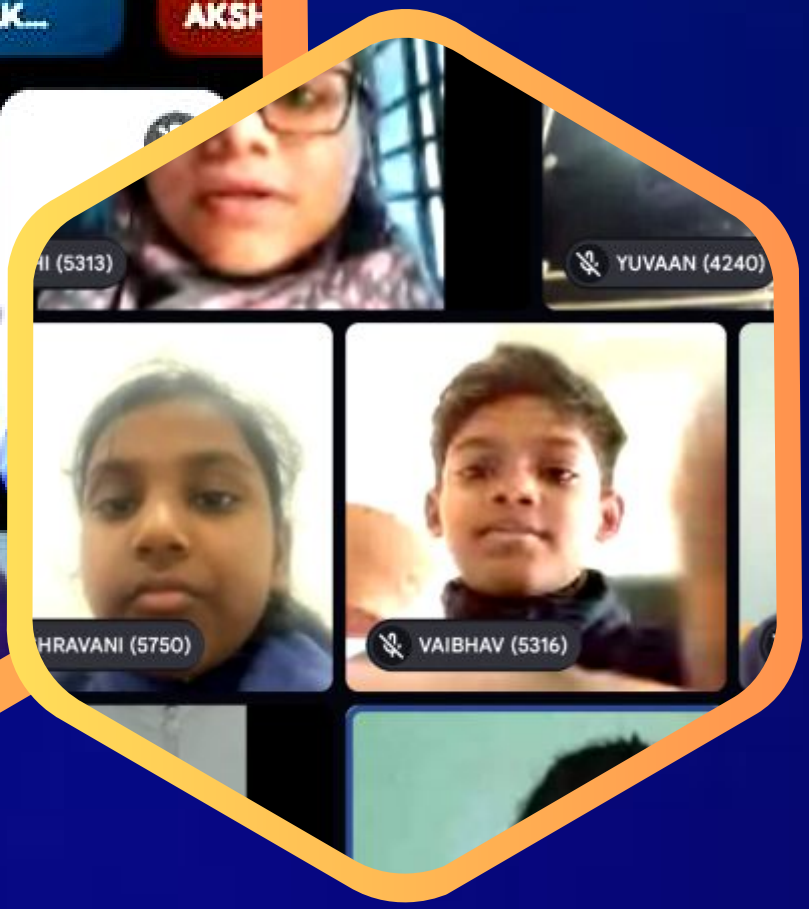
In the spirit of inspiration and introspection, a Special Assembly on National Youth Day commemorated the birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda. His timeless vision of fearless youth and moral strength resonated deeply, urging students to recognize their inner potential and embrace the power of character and conviction as guiding forces in their lives.

The month also paid tribute to indomitable courage through a Special Assembly on Parakram Diwas, honouring Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose. His life, marked by unyielding resolve and unwavering patriotism, stood as a reminder that true leadership demands courage, sacrifice, and an uncompromising pursuit of freedom.

As January draws to a close, it leaves behind more than memories, it leaves purpose. It reminds us that every beginning carries responsibility and that progress, both academic and personal, emerges from discipline, courage, and clarity of vision. With renewed determination, the school community steps forward, prepared to transform aspirations into enduring achievements.

Yours truly,
The Edit Team



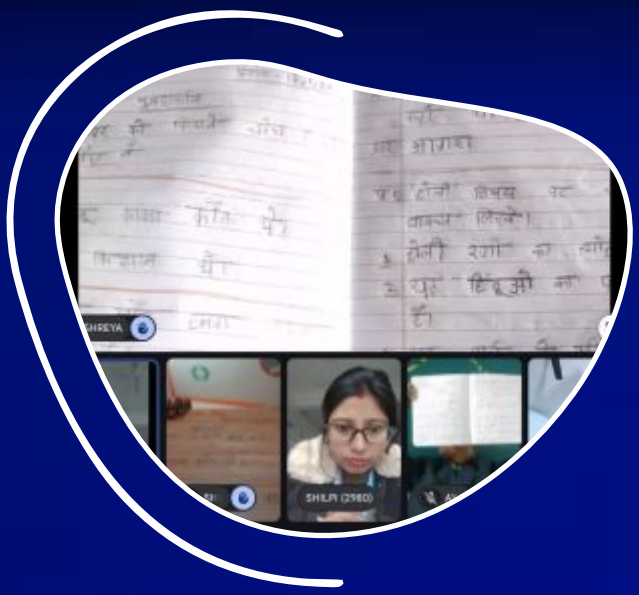


ONLINE CLASSES

ARRIVE AT THE GATEWAY

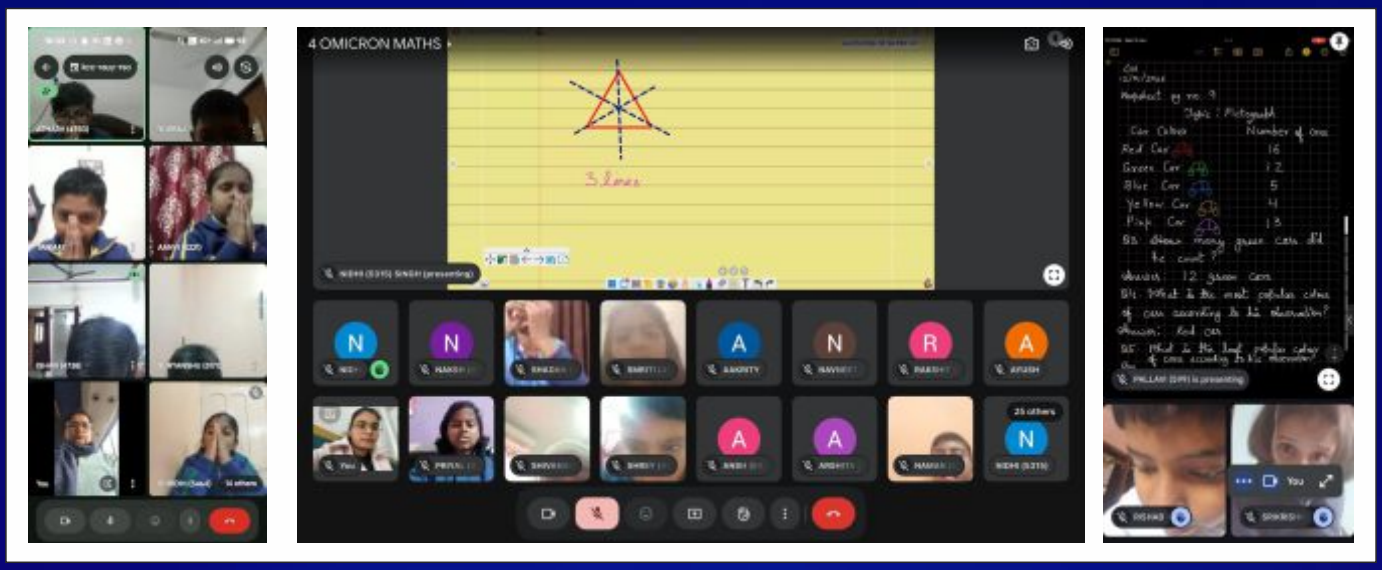
In the midst of the shivering winter season, the students of Open Minds- A Birla School, Kankarbagh paved a way to education through Online classes. These classes not only contributed to digital well-being and modernity, but also encouraged a faithful and reliable bond between the students and teachers. The campus was encouraged by the new environment established by the tech-generation classes.

"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world."- *Nelson Mandela*





Teachers established encouraging communication with the students and the brilliant ones learned with excitement.



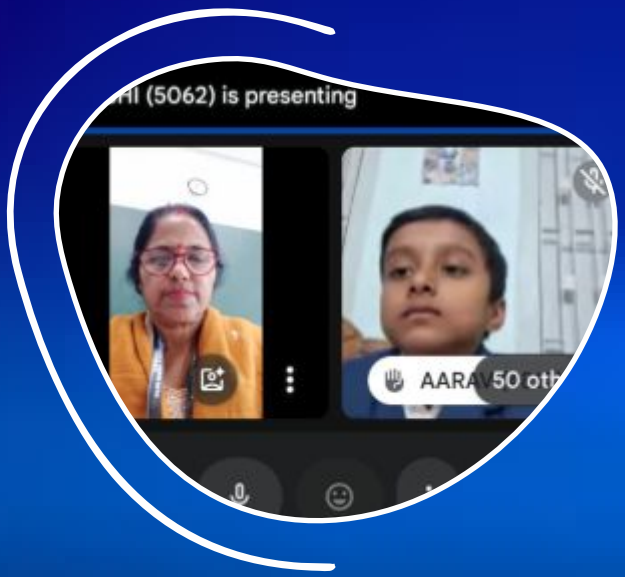
This time the periods of online classes were thoroughly filled with delight with outstanding hard work for the upcoming annual academic examinations.





"Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire."- *W.B. Yeats*







"An investment in knowledge pays the best interest."- *Benjamin Franklin*

PRE-BOARD-II
AN OPPORTUNITY
TO HONE ONE'S TALENT



Pre-Board Exams begin in December and extend up to January. Fresh from the revisions done after Pre-Board– I Exams, and analyzing their strengths and weaknesses, the students buckled up for Pre-Board–II which commenced in the first week of January. With all its pomp and splendour, the examination tested the grit, discipline and resilience of the students in a meticulous way.



Completing an exam is just not the end of the learning phase, it's just a milestone.



The eager faces, bent on their answer-sheets, pouring out all they could muster on it, in order to prove their mettle, provided a customary glimpse of such events. Then the huffing and puffing of the teachers to finish correcting the bundles on time added some luster to its magnanimity. Bettering the chances of the students to score well in the Boards, it justified the perception of an American general who once observed, 'The more you sweat in peace, the less you bleed in war".



"The pain you feel today will be the strength you feel tomorrow."









THE EXCURSION TO BODH GAYA

The educational excursion to Gaya for students of Classes X, XI, and XII proved to be an enriching blend of learning and exploration. Steeped in historical and spiritual significance, the city offered students a chance to experience India's cultural heritage beyond the classroom.

"We live in a wonderful world that is full of beauty, charm and adventure. "- *J L Nehru*













The journey fostered camaraderie, reflection, and curiosity as students explored sites of historical importance and gained insight into the region's rich legacy. More than a break from routine, the excursion encouraged experiential learning, teamwork, and a deeper appreciation of history and tradition.

"A great way to learn about your country is to leave it."- *Henry Rollins*









"We travel not to escape life but for life not to escape us."- *Anonymous*















"Never let formal education get in the way of your learning."- *Mark Twain*

The trip concluded with lasting memories and valuable lessons, making it a meaningful and memorable experience for all participants.



"Travel is like an endless university. You never stop learning."- *Harvey Lloyd*





















EXCURSION FOR STUDENTS

OF GRADES 10, 11 AND 12

"I am not the same, having seen the moon shine on the other side of the world."- *Mary Anne Radmacher*



77th REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATION

OUR REPUBLIC, OUR RESPONSIBILITY

As the tricolour flutters high, we gather not just to mark another year, but to celebrate India's 77th Republic Day, a testament to the visionaries who gave us our empowering Constitution in 1950. This day isn't merely a holiday; it's a powerful reminder that we, the citizens, are the architects of our nation's destiny, upholding ideals of Justice, Liberty, Equality, and Fraternity.

"We are Indians, firstly and lastly."- *B.R. Ambedkar*







"The shots that hit me are the last nails to the coffin of British rule in India."- *Lala Lajpat Rai*









Our school celebrated this day with a heartfelt assembly that fostered community spirit. We participated in a meaningful flag unfurling, listened to an inspiring address from our Principal, and witnessed a disciplined School Parade that filled us with pride. The unity among students was evident as they delivered speeches in various languages, shared a soulful rendition of the National Song, and recited the Preamble together, reaffirming our commitment to justice and equality.







The students' dedication was truly inspiring. In preparations, Grade 5 confidently showcased their knowledge about the geography of India, while Grades 6 and 11 expressed their creativity through posters and paintings. Grade 7 explored the Preamble, Grade 8 emphasized "Vocal for Local," and Grade 9 engaged in a lively Debate on national issues.

"Swaraj is my birthright and I shall have it."- *Bal Gangadhar Tilak*





HAIL TO THE GODDESS OF LEARNING!

23rd January was important for all the seekers of knowledge. It was the day to invoke the Mother Goddess of Knowledge and receive her blessings. The whole campus was abuzz with activities as the appropriate arrangements were made for worshipping Goddess Saraswati. The teachers from the Department of Sanskrit acted as the priests with the students in audience. The chanting of mantras filled the air with a sacred spirit. The naivedyam was offered to one and all gracing the occasion. Here are the glimpses of the event.



"We must learn to live together as brothers or perish together as fools."- *Martin Luther King, Jr.*



"Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever."- *Mahatma Gandhi*



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Trees play an important role in nurturing life on this planet. They are our guardians, our friends and the real good doers. They provide us oxygen that we breathe in. To a considerable extent, we owe our existence to them. To promote planting trees and their preservation, OMK organised a plantation drive that included illuminating the students on the importance of trees in our lives, and planting some in and around the campus.

"Trees are as close to immortality as the rest of us ever come."- *Karen Joy Fowler*

The leaders and the students participated enthusiastically in the programme. Here are some visuals...







"The true meaning of life is to plant trees, under whose shade you do not expect to sit."- *Nelson Henderson*

WINNER



"Learning never exhausts the mind."

SPECIAL ASSEMBLY ON

NATIONAL YOUTH DAY







On 11 September, 1893, Swami Vivekananda delivered his historic speech at the World's Parliament of Religions in Chicago, the U.S.A which introduced India's rich spiritual heritage on a global level while also painting the picture of a world filled with universal brotherhood and religious tolerance.



"In a conflict between the heart and the brain, follow your heart."- *Vivekananda*



Beginning with the words, “Sisters and brothers of America”, he won the hearts across the globe emerging as an international figure, and filled the Indians with confidence. Swami Vivekananda’s ideas were centred around youth empowerment. He believed the youth are the backbone of a strong nation, and encouraged them to believe in themselves. On 12th January, every year India celebrates ‘National Youth Day’ to commemorate his birth anniversary. Our school organized a special assembly with the students of Grades 9 and 11 to spread Swami Ji’s message of unity, tolerance and character building. This day encourages young people to grow not only intellectually, but also morally and spiritually.

"The greatest sin is to think yourself weak"- *Vivekananda*



Special Assembly on
Parakram Diwas

History remembers many leaders, but only a few ignite courage in the hearts of a generation. 'Parakram Diwas', observed on 23 January, celebrates the birth anniversary of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose, a leader whose life was a powerful symbol of bravery, sacrifice and unshakable patriotism. Born on 23rd January, 1897 in Cuttack, Odisha, Subhash Babu was intelligent, disciplined and deeply patriotic. He secured a high position in the Indian Civil Services (ICS) examinations, but resigned just after the result not to back a foreign government and serve his own countrymen.



"Freedom is not given, it is taken."- *Netaji*



Netaji believed that India's freedom required courage, unity and sacrifice, and he formed the 'Indian National Army' to fight the British, inspired people with his famous slogan, "Give me blood, and I will give you freedom".



To honour his bravery and his priceless contribution to the Freedom Movement, The Government of India declared that his birth anniversary will be celebrated as 'Parakram Diwas'.
At OMK, a special assembly was convened to pay a rich tribute to this brave son of India. Several mentors threw light on the life, personality and contributions of Netaji and motivated the young students to dedicate themselves to the service of the nation.

"In human life, moral values should count more than anything else"- *Netaji*

FAREWELL AND goodluck!

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"This is not a goodbye, my darling, this is a thank you."- *Nicholas Sparks*

The atmosphere resonated with nostalgic speeches and warm, heartfelt wishes, reflecting both pride and affection.





Through the messages shared, the Class of 2026 was encouraged to step forward with confidence, reassured that the world awaits their talents and that the entire school community will continue to applaud and support their journey ahead.











"Goodbye today, gratitude forever."

















"Leaving is hard, but it's proof that you made an impact worth missing."

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Exceptional Performers of the Month

We are delighted to announce our "Exceptional Performer of the Month" for the hard work and dedication in maintaining the school premises with their exceptional performance on cleanliness and upkeep!



Awardee: Mrs. Rinki Devi

Our exceptional staff member, has been recognized for her tireless efforts in ensuring the school's facilities are clean, safe, and well-maintained.

Congratulations to all our awardees! Your dedication and hard work have made a significant impact on our students and school community.


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