



BIRLA HIGH SCHOOL
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July to September 2022

COMMEMORATIVE EVENTS



L. N. BIRLA DEBATE



The 23rd edition of the L. N. Birla Memorial Invitational Debate was held with great passion and enthusiasm on the 9th and 11th of July 2022 in Birla High School, Mukundopur and G.D.Birla Sabhagar respectively.

The preliminary round on the 9th of July saw 15 city and 2 outstation schools participating. The day's motion read: "Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav is a Premature Celebration of a Still Distant Dream" proposed by the Chairperson for the day Mr. S.V Raman. The judges for the day were Mrs Vibha Mitra, Mr Samrat Chowdhury and Mrs Indu Gandhi.

The finale was held on the 11th of July at G. D. Birla Sabhagar. The topic of the debate for the day was "For 75 years the Indian Education System has Served the Nation Well". The Chief Guest for the occasion was Consul General Manfred Auster, Consulate General of the Federal Republic of Germany. The judges for the day were Mr Ratan Postwalla, Mrs Oindrilla Dutt, Mrs Ramanjit Kaur, Mr Pradeep Gooptu. The Chairperson for the day was Dr Kunal Sarkar.

The Runner-up Team Award went to Teesta Ray and Umika Panda of Loreto House. The Jury Award for Best Speaker was bagged by three speakers, Teesta Ray from Loreto House, Madhunisha Majumdar from Sushila Birla Girls' School and Ram Daftari from Birla High School. The Best Speaker Award was bagged by Noyonika Ghose of Sushila Birla Girls' School. Finally, the Best Team prize was taken away by Sushila Birla Girls' School. Thus the curtain was drawn on the 23rd L.N Birla Debate.

ACADEMIC MATTERS

BOARD RESULTS 2022

CBSE class X and XII Board Results were announced on 22.07.22. All students passed with flying colours.

AISSE (Class X) - All 189 students appearing for the AISSE Examination secured a first division. Akshat Jain and Srinjay Sen stood first by securing 98.4%. Ram Daftari was second in the line securing 98%. In the third position is Devesh Konnur with 97.8%. The overall school mean is 88.85. Number of students acquiring a perfect score is 36.

‘Sanmarg’ – a prominent Hindi daily felicitated Akshat Jain and three other students for their performance in Hindi at the Boards.

AISSCE (Class XII) - In AISSCE, 221 students who appeared for the examination performed equally well.

Science Toppers



ANGAD RIAT
1st - 98.6%



ARKAPRAVO PATRA
2nd - 98%



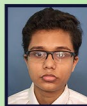
AKSHAT PANDEY
3rd - 97.6%



SHAURYA SAURABH
1st - 96.2%



MEGH MUKHERJEE
2nd - 95.4%



ANUBHAV DAS
2nd - 95.4%



RITWIK BHAUMIK
3rd - 93.8%



AMAN BAGARIA
1st - 98.4%



SOORYAM GOENKA
2nd - 98%



HEET SINGH
3rd - 97.8%

Humanities Toppers

Commerce Toppers

The overall school mean is 87.67.

Both our toppers, Angad Riat and Aman Bagaria, were shortlisted by the Chief Minister's District Education Office and were given a congratulatory letter from the CM, a bouquet and sweets.

INTRA-SCHOOL EVENTS



● **Inter House Debate (IX-XII)** : On 30th June 2022, Birla High School hosted the Inter-House Debate Competition where the six houses debated on the topic ‘India has Failed to be a Democracy’. The moderator was Eshan Bannerjee, an alumnus of the school and an avid debater. Ashok House bagged the Best Team Award. The Best Speaker Award went to Sunrit Kumar Chanda of Gandhi House. The Best Q-panelist Award went to Kshrugal Bhattacharjee.

● **Inter House Debate (VI-VIII)** : The Inter-House Debate Competition for classes VI-VIII was held on the 27th of July 2022 at the School AVR. Participants from all the six Houses spoke either for or against the topic which read ‘The House believes that Children Under 14 Should Not be Allowed on Social Media Sites’. Mr. Pushkar Pandey, an ex-pupil of Birla High School, moderated the session. Arman Gangwal of class 8 from Pratap House was given the Best Speaker Award. Kushagra Roy, class 6 from Netaji House, was awarded the Best Floor Speaker. The Best Team prize was awarded to Pratap House. The members were Arman Gangwal, Nilesh Ghosh and Ali Asgar Kapadia.

ACHIEVEMENTS & ACCOLADES

• **Concord 2022** : Calcutta Boys School had organised their fest named Concord 2022 from 29th June to 1st July. Birla High School had participated in some of the events like Quiz, Eastern and Western Band, Western Dance, Bengali and Hindi Creative Writing, Science Project Making, Hindi Monologue and the Business Event, to name a few. In the Western Dance event our boys stood 1st, the quiz team secured the 2nd position and the 3rd position was bagged in the events Terribly Tiny Tales and Business Event.

Friends FM QUIZ!

• In the continued **Friends FM Quiz**, the BHS team stood first in the quarter finals and qualified for the semi-finals.

• **Youthopia 2022**: Birla High School participated in Youthopia 2022 fest organized by the Heritage School which was held from 28th – 30th July. It included online events, offstage and onstage events as well as on-the-field events. The Quiz team of Birla High School made us proud **by securing the 2nd position**. The team comprised Rohitaswa Das (Class XII), Ram Daftari, Siddhartha Gupta and Kannv Dhandhanian from Class XI. Given below are the positions secured in the following events:

EVENT NAME	POSITION OBTAINED
Western Dance	1st Position
Basketball	1st Position
Table Tennis	1st Position
Tug of War	1st Position
Quiz	2nd Position
Creative Writing (English)	2nd Position
Ad Spoof	2nd Position

EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

Goethe Institute organized the Nationale Deutscholympiade or the National German Olympiad in April 2022. The participants of the Olympiad were invited to attend a Camp for 3 days in New Delhi from the 15-17 of July. Ram Daftari from Class XI attended the camp.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES



● Investiture Ceremony : The Investiture Day for the session 2022 – 2023 was held on 6th July. Arya Roy and Arya Sarkar were the emcees of the session. The badge holders proudly walked up to the stage of the AVR for the pinning of the badges by the esteemed guests. The student President Yukt Khemka addressed the audience. The programme concluded with the National Anthem. Oaths were taken, promises were made by the Student Council members as they began their journey.

● Orientation (Class XI) : The Orientation Programme for Class 11 was held on 2nd July 2022 on the online platform, Zoom. The programme started with Principal Ma'am extending her warm welcome to everyone. Ms. Suparna Mukherjee, Coordinator of the Senior Section, explained the regulations governing the functioning of the senior section and she also discussed the examination procedures, mark design of classes XI, remedial classes, syllabus extent, student welfare and development.

● Art & Craft Workshop : This workshop was organised by Pedilite Industries on 22nd July 2022. Few students along with Ms. Chandra Paik, Craft teacher of BHS attended the programme.

● Skill Enhancement Courses: Calcutta Business School organised a webinar on the topic 'Career Prospects in Business Analytics' on 8th July, 2022 for the outgoing Class 12 (2021-22) batch students. The panellists of the session Ms. Debanshee Datta and Prof. Sanjib Biswas elaborated on data/business analysis and what it entails, career prospects, etc.

● Education Fair 2022 : An Education Fair was organised for students of classes 11 and 12 by Birla High School in collaboration with Student Outreach on 5th July, 2022. The fair was organised at the school terrace.

● Community Service : On the 26th July students of classes IX and X from Community Service Club organized a social service programme wherein the boys distributed 13 umbrellas and 11 footwear to the underprivileged members of the society. Students were accompanied by their teacher, Lawrence Chettri to conduct the activities in the busy street of Bhawanipur.

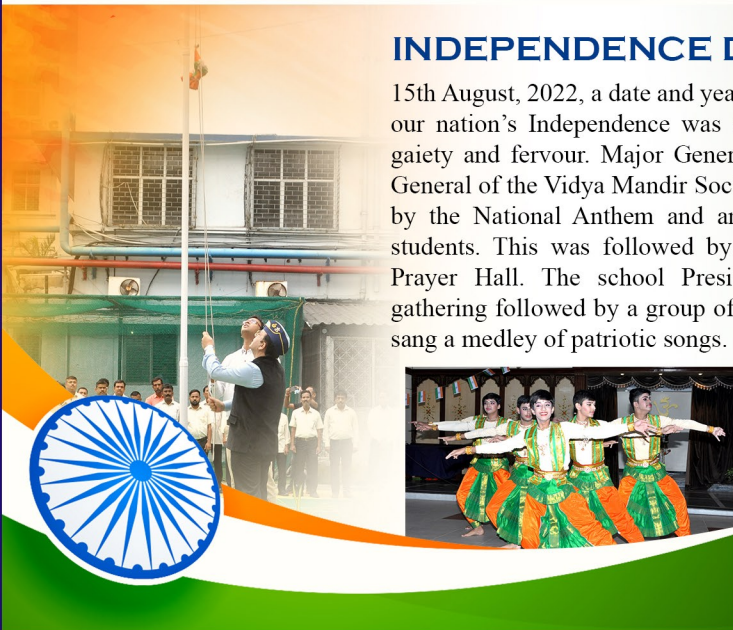
● Class VIII conducted the Class Canteen by selling food items to generate funds for the Daan Utsav. An amount of Rs. 31,000/- (Thirty One Thousand Only) was collected through this initiative.

● Students of Classes IV, V & VI took part in the Interschool Competition Ram Charit Manas organized by Parivar Milan on Saturday, 16th July. We are extremely delighted to announce that the young performers of classes IV, V, and VI stood 1st in the Quiz and were also declared the winner in Manas Gyan. Our students bagged the 1st prize for three consecutive years, hence this year received both the Winners' Trophy and a Silver Trophy from Parivar Milan.

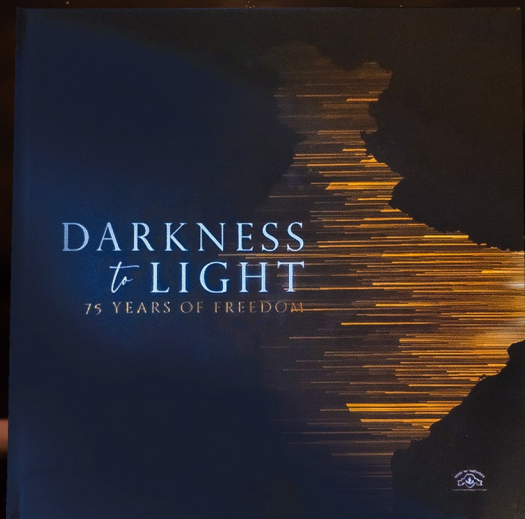
COMMEMORATIVE EVENTS

INDEPENDENCE DAY

15th August, 2022, a date and year which marks the Platinum Jubilee of our nation's Independence was celebrated with pronounced patriotic gaiety and fervour. Major General V N Chaturvedi (Retd), Secretary General of the Vidya Mandir Society hoisted the national flag followed by the National Anthem and an inspiring message by him for the students. This was followed by an instrumental presentation in the Prayer Hall. The school President, Yukt Khemka, addressed the gathering followed by a group of students from the junior section who sang a medley of patriotic songs.



A **Coffee Table Book Launch** was organized by Birla High School Alumni on Saturday, 27th August, 2022 in the Centre for Performing Arts at Sushila Birla Girls' School. This was a milestone event for Birla High School and first of its kind. The coffee table book titled '**Darkness to Light**' was released by the Chief Guest, Rear Admiral Rajeev Parlikar, a senior Alumnus.



ACADEMIC MATTERS



In an event conducted in The National Library by Prabhat Khabar on 27th August 2022, Principal Mrs Loveleen Saigal was felicitated with the prestigious Guru Samman Award 2022.

Accolades received by the Board Toppers:

Date	Award given by	Felicitation	Place	Recipient
30/7/2022	Ram Awatar Gupt Hindi Protsahan Sanmarg	High score in Hindi, X and XII Board Examination	G.D. Birla Sabhagar	Akshat Jain finished fourth. In the top 50 were Yash Saraogi, Adarsh Seksaria, Raghav Goenka and Samridh Saha.
7/8/2022	Taaza TV	Meritorious students who have recently passed their class XII Board Exams received a token of appreciation.	National Library	Angad Riat, Arkapravo Patra, Nakshat Pandey, Saptik Maiti, Kairav Barua, Ishan Mukherjee, Sourajit Roy, Aadrish Guha Majumdar, Kushaj Mallick, Soham Lahiri, Aman Bagaria, Sooryam Goenka, Heet Singhi, Lakshya Saraf, Bhaskar Agarwal, Yugansh Arora, Ishansh Jaiswal, Kshitiji Surana, Manav Sindhi, Akshit Jalan.
27/8/2022	Prabhat Khabar	Partibha Samman 2022	National Library	Akshat Jain, Srinjay Sen, Ram Daftari and Devesh Konnur toppers from Class X. Angad Riat, Arkapravo Patra, Nakshat Pandey toppers from Class XII Science Stream Aman Bagaria, Sooryam Goenka, Heet Singhi toppers from Class XII Commerce Stream Shaurya Saurabh, Megh Mukherjee, Anubhav Das, Ritwik Bhaumik toppers from Class XII Humanities
5/9/2022	The Chief Minister's District Education Office	XII Board Examination Toppers	-	Angad Riat and Aman Bagaria

ACHIEVEMENTS & ACCOLADES

- Aryan Agarwal and Rivansh Kedia from Class IX won the silver medal having bagged the second prize in the **6th International Karate Championship 2022**, organised by All India Seishinkai Shito-Ryu Karate do Federation. It was held at Netaji Indoor Stadium on 30th & 31st July 2022, with around 4500 participants from all over India & across the world including countries like Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, South Africa, Nepal, Bhutan, East Timor, Malaysia etc.
- Aarav Kumar and Debarshi Bhattacharjee from Class IX stood 2nd and 3rd respectively in the **12th International Science Congress Meet**, an All India Competition organized by World Science Congress on 14th August'22.
- Birla Bharti had organised an Inter-School Fest, **Svatantryam 2022** from 11th – 13th August, 2022 which was based on the fervour of patriotism. Birla High School bagged the first prize in **Abhyuday** (Product Launch Programme) and **Adhibeshan** (A historical conversation between two characters from the pages of History) and **won the Best Speaker for the Motion Award** along with the **second prize for Vivaad (Debate)**.
- Delhi Public School, Ruby Park celebrated their annual fest, **Logique and IR (International Relations)** on 6th August, 2022. **Rohitaswa Das** and **Shivam Krishna** from Class XII Com.C & Hum participated in the paper presentation and presented a 4000 word paper on 'Iran's Nuclear Programme: A Castigation For Hankering'. Their paper was judged the best and they received the **first prize**.
- **Kalakosh**, an Inter-school competition was organized by South Point High School from 10th to 18th August 2022. In the **quiz event**, Aarav Kumar, Kannv Dhandhanian, Ram Daftari and Siddhartha Gupta, added another feather to our cap by securing the **1st position**. **Ram Daftari got the Best Quizzer Award**. Raafey Aziz and Anas Ali of Class XI, bagged the **3rd position in Cerebrate**, with **Anas Ali being adjudged the Best Speaker**.
- In the **Boulone-Lise Quiz** organized by La Martiniere, Lucknow on 6th August, **Ram Daftari secured 2nd position**.
- Another feather to the cap was added by Tanish Pugalia of Class VIII who secured the **3rd position** in the **Smart Kid G.K. Olympiad** and received a cheque of INR 650/-.

● **ExeBIT'22** was hosted by Lakshmiapat Singhania Academy on 6th, 8th, 12th & 13th August'22. Our students bagged a number of prizes in various events :

	EVENT	AWARD	PRIZE	NAME OF THE STUDENT
CLASSES VI - VIII				
1	Aeronautic (Longest Air Time)	The Budding Innovator Award	1st Prize	Aditya Sarkar - Class VII
2	CLICK (Photography Event)	Creative Genius Award	2nd Prize	Supratim Ghosh – Class VII
3	SciFIND	The Budding Innovator Award	2nd Prize	Madhup Maity, Nilesh Ghosh, Armaan Gangwal – Class VIII
4	Aeronautic (Longest Air Time)	The Budding Innovator Award	3rd Prize	Pulkit Dhanuka
5	FashionMATRIX	The Jury's Choice Award	3rd Prize	Nirvaan Jalan, Rutajit Ghosh, Sharanjyo Mallick – Class VI Aarav Juthani, Eashan Ajitsaria, Rizwanullah Khan – Class VII Yash Ajitsaria, Pratham Dugar, Kush Parekh – Class VIII
CLASSES IX - XII				
1	Aeronautic (Farthest)	The Budding Innovator Award	1st Prize	Devansh Mittal – Class XI
2	Aeronautic (Longest Air Time)	The Budding Innovator Award	1st Prize	Preetish Jain – Class X
3	Construire La Cafe	Creative Genius Award	1st Prize	Sushant Sharma, Suryansh Gadia - Class XII Devesh Konnur, Kriday More - Class XI
4	Aeronautic (Farthest)	The Budding Innovator Award	2nd Prize	Preetish Jain – Class X
5	Aeronautic (Longest Air Time)	The Budding Innovator Award	2nd Prize	Trishir Agarwal – Class XII & Akshath Gupta – Class IX
6	Click (Photography Event)	Creative Genius Award	3rd Prize	Krishank Sureka – Class IX
7	Nukkadnatak	The Jury's Choice Award	3rd Prize	Shaurya Lohia, Debjyoti Biswas, Pranav Srinivasan, Namit Chaturvedi, Aaryan Datta – Class IX Arjun Jalan, Priyansh Gandhi, Harshil Sheth. Jash Ajmera – Class X

- Debarshi Bhattacharjee and Aarav Kumar from Class IX stood 3rd in the Quiz on Technology organized by Delhi Public School, Ruby Park.
- On 4th August 2022 **Sikar Nagarik Parishad** organized an event at Rathindra Mancha, Jorasanko Thakur Bari to mark the Birth Anniversary of poet, Goswami Tulsidas. Kanishk Pilaniwala and Moksh Nolkha from Class IX **stood fourth** among the twelve participating schools. They received a certificate along with a cash prize of Rs.3,000/- (Three Thousand Only), a gift hamper and a memento by the organizers.
- **La Martiniere Patriotic Meet 2022**, an Inter-School Hindi Debate for the Middle School was organized by La Martiniere for Boys on 10th August'22. The participants were Aarav Tibrewal (For the motion) and Armaan Gangwal-(Against the motion). They qualified for the finals and received a participation certificate each.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- **The Inter-House Quiz Competition 2022** was conducted on 10th August'22 in the school AVR amongst the six different houses of the school. **The first phase** comprised classes VI - VIII, there were 3 participants from each house. **Ashok house was the winner** with 120 points and **Best Quizzer was Syamantak Banerjee**. The **second phase** was organised for classes IX-X. Two participants from each house comprised the team. **Pratap house was the winner** with 285 points and the **Best Quizzer was Aarav Kumar**. The senior school students, Ram Daftari, Kannv Dhandhanian, Siddhartha Gupta conducted the Quiz very well as quiz masters.



- **Steam Experiential Learning Workshop** – With the aim to give the students and teachers a real-life experience of STEAM Experiential learning, ISR conducted a knowledge-packed free workshop comprising four teachers and twenty student to find solutions of situations provided to them using Artificial intelligence, coding, augmented reality etc.
- **Spardha – 2022** was organized by Mahadevi Birla World Academy on 4th August. The High School students participated in dance, debate, one minute video and art and craft.
- **Nirman – 2022** was an annual business fest organised by Mahadevi Birla World Academy (MBWA) on 5th August, 2022 to inculcate business skills in students and celebrate those skills.
- **The Stepping Stones International Debate** was held virtually on 30th July, 2022. Kshrugal Bhattacharjee represented Birla High School.
- **The Claude Martin International Debate** was organised by La Martiniere, Lucknow. The participants from our school were Kannv Dhandhanian, Siddhartha Gupta, Siddharth Gupta and Rajmit Banerjee.

SPECIAL AWARD

The Birla High School Alumni felicitated **Harshil Sheth** of Std IX and **Reyansh Khandelwal** of Std XI with **Student of the Year Trophy**, badge, certificate and a cash prize of Rs.2100/- on 18th August in the school AVR.



Harshil Sheth



Reyansh Khandelwal

ACCOLADES

- **The Telegraph School Awards** - It was indeed a proud moment for Birla High School to receive **The Telegraph School Award for Excellence in Academics** for the Year 2022-23. The finale was organised at St. James School, Kolkata on 3rd September.



- **Mr. Binay Biswas**, Teacher of the Physics Department was felicitated by **Oswal Books**. He received the **Incredible Teacher Award** nominated by students and their parents.



MS. MUKTA NAIN
(Director)



MS. LOVELEEN SAIGAL
(Principal)



MS. RENUKA CHOTRANI
(Coordinator)

● **IIHM** recognised and acknowledged the contribution of teachers in a very special programme on 13th September. Our Director, **Ms. Mukta Nain, Ms. Loveleen Saigal** and **Ms. Renuka Chotrani**, Coordinator – Co-curricular Activities were felicitated.

● An online student poll and voting recently done by the students of classes XI and XII on the eve of Teacher's Day, organized by Pearl Academy and UPES, recognized **Mrs. Saswati Chatterjee** and **Rohan Sengupta** from the English Department as **Super Teachers**.

ACADEMIC MATTERS

● An Art and Craft Exhibition was organised after two long years of the pandemic on the days of the Parent Teacher Meeting.



COMMEMORATIVE EVENTS

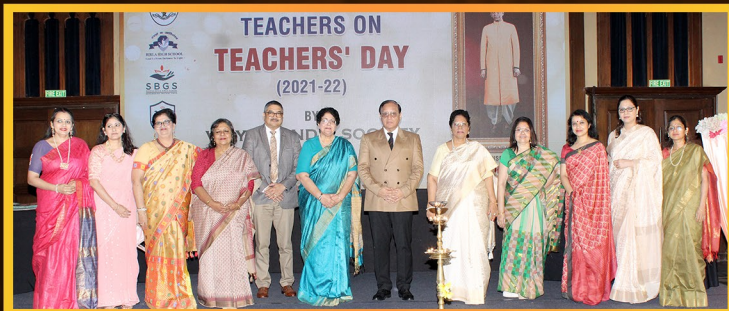
● Birla High School felicitated the toppers of the AISSCE 2022 of the outgoing Class XII batch on 6th September. The toppers of the respective stream were awarded the L.N. Birla Medal of Excellence, a 5-gram gold coin, embedded in a 50-gram silver medallion; a certificate, and book coupons, which were given by the Alumni.

The following students were felicitated:

- The school topper, **Angad Riat** from the Science Stream with a score of 98.6%.
- **Aman Bagaria & Bhaskar Agarwal**, the Commerce toppers, both with a score of 98.4%.
- **Shaurya Saurabh**, the topper of the Humanities Stream, who had a score of 96.2%.
- **Pushkar Pandey & Nakshat Pandey**, for overall excellence.



● **Teachers' Day:** On 12th September, 2022 the Vidya Mandir Society celebrated **Teachers' Day** at **Rangmanch, Swabhumi** recognising the extraordinary contribution of teachers of Birla High School. The Chief Guest, Dr. Amrita Dass, Educationist and Career Consultant, Founder Director, Institute for Career Studies (ICS) International, Lucknow delivered the keynote address.



OUR INSPIRATION
DR. S. RADHAKRISHNAN



FIELD TRIPS

Psychology Educational Field Trip (2022-23):

The students of the Psychology Department of class XII were taken to SEVAC Rehabilitation Centre for an educational field trip where they interacted with inmates as part of their learning experience.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Daan Utsav 2022:

A total collection of Rs. 2,75,533 was collected from canteen sales, students and staff of Birla High School, which was fruitfully distributed amongst several Institutions and individuals like Dakshin Kolkata Sevashram, Navanir Old Age Home, Hope Foundation, Indian Society for Rehabilitation of Children in Paddapukur, Sight Savers, Ashari, a Rescue Shelter for Animals, Ahead, an NGO that deals with Autism, Telegraph Foundation and The Lavanya Foundation.





IIHM Chef's Contest : Stepping out of the usual format of fests, IIHM organised a culinary competition for teachers and students. 5 teachers, 10 Junior Chefs, 3 Young Chefs have qualified for the next round which will be held in December.



- **FUNTAKSHARI 9**, a musical competition was organised by the Alumni on 10th September, 2022 at Birla High School (Mukundapur). The programme was anchored by Birla High School Alumnus, Mr Rajat Baid. 18 prominent school alumni associations participated in this event. In a close fight in the finals between six best teams, ALSOC (St. Xavier's Collegiate) emerged as winners followed by STOPA (St. Thomas School).



SPECIAL ASSEMBLIES

Hindi Diwas - The students celebrated Hindi Diwas on Wednesday, 14th September in a grand way to inculcate love for our national language among the children.

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THE CYBER TALK

Cyber Security Talk for Students : The management of Vidya Mandir Society had invited Dr. Rakshit Tandon, Cyber Security expert from Gurgaon to specially address the students of classes VI -XI on many relevant cyber issues viz. cyber bullying, cyber threats and misuse of social media. The talk was organised at G. D. Birla Sabhagar on 15th and 16th September, 2022.



HAPPY RETIREMENTS

Mrs. Poonam Teckchandani

Asst. Teacher Mathematics
retired on 30th September, 2022
after 14 years 3 months
of service.

Mrs. Sebati Niyogi

Asst. Teacher – Chemistry
also retired on 30th September, 2022
after 13 ½ years
of service.