



## G.D. GOENKA SCHOOL VARANASI

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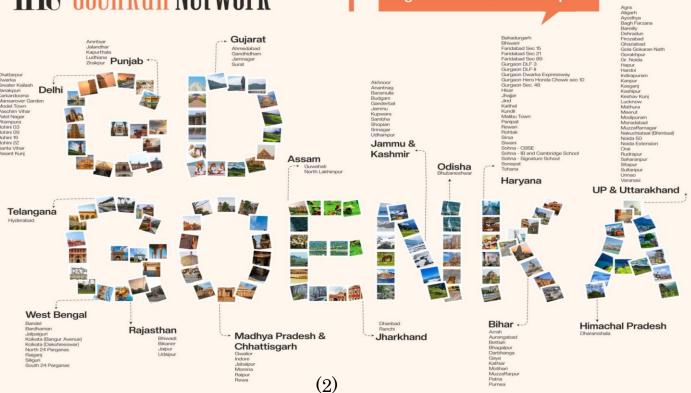
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GD Goenka Group vision is wide-ranging and it encompasses aspiration, excellence in all spheres, system leadership, social mobility, cohesion, and inclusion. We aspire to elevate, inspire and assist the young to succeed at all levels of education – right from pre-primary to Doctoral level, through highest possible standards and make a demonstrable impact in communities. Our endeavour is to create transformative experiences through open communication and collaborative dialogue so that creativity, entrepreneurial spirit and innovative initiative can flourish and all stakeholders can realize their optimum potential.

GD Goenka Group aspires to create and nurture outstanding organizations that espouse the cause of educational excellence, character development and service to communities. Our mission is to be top value creators for our stakeholders in all our ventures – in the field of Education and all our businesses by setting new benchmarks that more than match the best in various areas. We aim to positively impact the world by nurturing sustainable, environmentally conscious and innovative organizations that focus on delivering the best to all those associated with us.

## The Goenkan Network

GD Goenka Schools under the aegis of GD Goenka Group







Setting High Benchmarks from Pre-Schools to University level

Established in 1982, with varied interests in Real Estate, Travel & Tourism and Exports, GD Goenka Group made a foray into education 29 years ago. Since then, it has become synonymous with innovative education, relentlessly building a brand of education that stands for quality in Education and global dimensions.

The group passionately works towards creating future leaders who have mastered excellence in academics and its application, skills of effective communication, adaptability and problem solving with a magnanimous thought process of acceptance, respect, collaborative teamwork, knowledge sharing sympathy, empathy, community outreach and Global Citizenship.

#### GD Goenka Group on Educational Landscape

The group ventured into Education in 1994 under the visionary leadership of the Chairman, Shri Anjani Kumar Goenka and Vice Chairperson, Mrs. Renu Goenka and soon made its presence pan-India as well as overseas, becoming a trendsetter in quality education of global dimensions, from kindergarten to doctoral level.

#### Pre-Schools

GD Goenka offers Early Years education with two distinct chains of Pre Schools: GD Goenka La Petite - a complete Montessori School and GD Goenka Toddler House - both chains endeavouring to provide a learning environment in which the young are enthused to learn - a pre-requisite for an overall developmental approach for the very young.

#### K-12 Schools

GD Goenka group has set up the finest K-12 schools offering varied curricula - CBSE as well as IB and Cambridge. The schools are striving relentlessly for the cause of education with the mission to develop young learners into good human beings who are socially responsible and contributing citizens of the country and the world at large.

#### **Higher Education**

GD Goenka University, established in 2013 is a UGC approved University offering distinctive programmes at Undergraduate, Postgraduate and Doctoral levels. It has collaborations with top-tier Universities and Institutions across the globe, providing students a pathway to advanced study and careers and offers courses in a gamut of areas, which includes the Agricultural Sciences, Media & Entertainment, Engineering & Sciences, Hospitality & Tourism, Humanities Social Sciences & Education, Law, Management, Medical & Allied Sciences and United World Institute of Design & Architecture. We also have Centres of Excellence which includes Vocational Studies, Innovation & Entrepreneurship, Occupational Health, Safety, Fire & Environment.

#### Healthcare

GD Goenka Healthcare aims to provide best technical and career oriented education in the field of Paramedics and Allied Healthcare with certification and diploma recognized from national and international bodies; create employability and entrepreneurship through offered services and courses; institutionalize medical facilities and CSR solutions; and enhance medical and first aid awareness through customized corporate training programs for everyone.

#### **FACTS & FIGURES**

65+

Toddler House Pre-Schools

20+

La Petite Montessori Pre-Schools

120+

K12 Schools

1,50,000+

Students & Alumni across the country

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UGC Approved University

35+

Healthcare Academy

ENK BOUR BOUR Education is a dynamic and never ending process. In today's fast changing world, the philosophy and essence of education, its priority as well as perception have taken new dimensions in order to meet the challenges thrown by the growing impact of globalization. In order to achieve success we just need to set a goal and work for it with our heart and soul.

We at G.D. Goenka School Varanasi aim to plan and implement education policies by shaping the minds and hearts of our students, thereby imparting value aided quality education. Our students are made to experience education with a holistic approach which not only emphasizes on the academic front but also other important aspects like promoting healthy lifestyle, cultivating ethical and social values and ultimately imbibing a desire for learning. The harmonious and peaceful environment is aimed to enhance material productivity and spiritual uplifting.

At the end, I would pen down by saying that we are thoroughly committed to serve the nation's youth by providing them high quality education, so that they can contribute towards a humane, just and pluralistic society with better innovative ideas.

## Mr Dinesh Kumar Gupta Chairman

G.D. Goenka School, Varanasi





Wings of ambition & roots of tradition. This has been the philosophy and belief of our institution G.D. Goenka School Varanasi which is committed to impart excellence in super speciality education in different streams to promote high ethical values among students, transforming individuals to empower the nation's future growth.

We aim to provide exemplary, high-tech and global thrust based education which blends in the right mix of theoretical and practical knowledge and enable our students to reach zenith. We honour past, nurture present and respect future responsibility to keep ourselves updated to contemporary trends with a futuristic vision. We offer enormous opportunities for interaction with top scholars, alumni and other learned personalities in a powerful and personal way.

Message For Young learners
"The most powerful asset a man has is his
'MIND'. The answer to the question "what is
a realistic goal and what is achievable" is



that everything is achievable, it will find a way to attain that thing. "What ever the mind of man can conceive and believe, it can achieve". These are the immortal words of Napoleon Hill, a man who truly understood that "there are no limitations to mind except those we acknowledge."

Our possibilities are only limited by our thinking. What may be a limit for one person is a walk in the park for another. It's all in our mind. We have within our self the ability to become and achieve anything we want. We must have the ability to take decisions promptly.

Decision making skill is the one which enables us to do routine things in a different manner, without this ability we'll not be able to make our position in this competition stricken world. Most of us make excuses to defend our conduct and live with the wrong notion of making excuses. Over the years we have cultivated the art of making excuses with creative ways to avoid doing something that needs to be done. We need to learn to eliminate the bad habits of making excuses and take responsibility of everything in our lives. By taking decisions quickly, we are showing our character and in doing so, the stronger our character will become and as a consequence the quality of our life will enhance. Don't let excuses hold us back from developing our full potential. When the door is closed, why don't we look through the open windows? Stop making excuses, take quick and speedy decisions and dare to be what you want to be!

Always believe "One who can see the invisible can do the IMPOSSIBLE."

Dear Parents, Teachers, Students and well-wishers

My greetings to all of you! I experience immense joy as I welcome you to our School Magazine. It gives me an opportunity to be in contact with you after taking over as Principal of G.D.Goenka School Varanasi.

Our school has a tradition of imparting value based education to the children entrusted to our care for almost three decades now and this branch is one more step into the wide avenue of long lasting values and deep rooted integrity that the School has constructed over the past years.

We strive to shape human personalities and make consistent effort to mould our students into fine individuals who are an asset to the society as they grow up through the educational journey. The motto of G.D.Goenka School is "Towards Excellence" Our effort is to have our motto come alive in every student of ours.

To fulfill our educational aims I look forward with great hope to nurture and build an atmosphere that exudes unity, honesty, humility & service with the collaboration of: Parents, Teachers, The academic and administrative staff, the management and all other members of the G.D.Goenka School Varanasi family. We have to join hands to counter the adverse impact of the present society and the challenging environment faced by our children and us.

I am committed to uphold the ideals of our Founder Chairperson who sowed the seed with a marvelous and brilliant foresight. The essential qualities I wish to nurture in our students are courtesy, wisdom, charity, humility and love. The meaning of these threads will reward the rich fabric of the innocent minds of our future- Our Children.

In closing I look forward to a worthy journey with your support paving a path that illumines the unique identity of every student and all who come in contact with us.

To all who read this message I wish a glowing life of joy and happiness. May the divine blessings shower on our gracious institution and on one and all forever.

May God Bless us!

Mrs. Saroj Jaiswal





#### **Baisakhi Celebration**

"Amidst the rich harvest, Across the lush greenery, Baisakhi has come, In all its majesty – so let's rejoice and celebrate."

G.D Goenka School ,Varanasi celebrated Baisakhi with great fervour in the campus. A series of events were programmed for the day. A special assembly was organised to commence the occasion. Few students presented the importance of the festival ,also gave a reflection of the state in which it is celebrated, that is Punjab. The students from grades III to IX did Bhangra where girls impressed the audience with their beautiful Gidha performance. The Principal revealed the fact of people's happiness on Baisakhi and appealed to students to learn from the historic significance of the day in the lives of people. She extended her good wishes to the students and staff for the festival.

Later in the day, keeping the concept of "Save Nature" the students of Nursery to grade II presented their talent by making beautiful paper bags out of the waste papers.

The young children of kindergarten and classes I and II wore Punjabi traditional outfit...











### Paper Bag Making Activity

Paper bags are gaining importance as these bags are reusable, recyclable biodegradable and at the same time environment friendly and pose less threat to wildlife. With this objective in mind, our learners of grade 4 made paper bags by reusing old newspapers. The craft activity was not only fun and engaging for the learners but they were also excited to take their bags home and use it in their day to day lives. Through this Green Cell activity grade 2 learners spread awareness on importance of plastic ban.



### **Bits to Beauty**

Students of grade 1 to 8 had "Bits to Beauty" collage making competition wherein they gathered the useless bits of paper and created beautiful abstract, mosaic and other art forms on the paper













Our Young GOENKANS excelled in yet another Olympiad, this time it's the International Olympiad of English language (IOEL) 2022 by SILVER ZONE FOUNDATION.

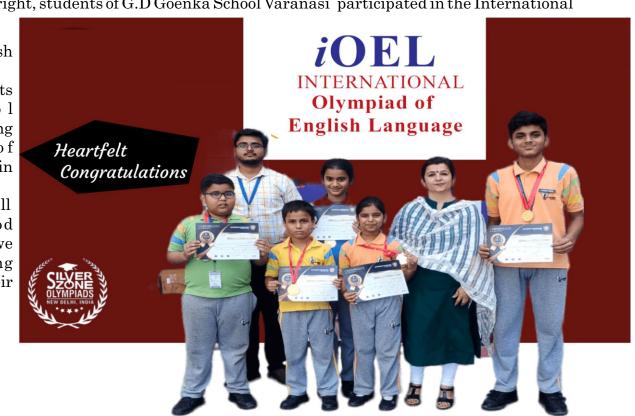
"There are no secrets to success. It is the result of preparation, hard work, and learning from failure." Proving this saying right, students of G.D Goenka School Varanasi participated in the International

Olympiad of English language 2022 where in 5 students of our school

of our school succeeded in bagging Gold Medals of Excellence -Topper in the Olympiad.

Congratulations to all the students. God bless them and we wish them nothing but the best for their future

endeavours.



## National Level Science Talent Search Examination





We are thrilled to announce that 12 students from G D Goenka School Varanasi have won medals and appreciation certificates at the National Level Science Talent Search Examination (NSTSE). This is a remarkable achievement and a testament to the hard work and dedication of our students and teachers.

NSTSE is a prestigious exam that assesses students' knowledge of science, mathematics, and general knowledge. It is conducted at the national level and is highly competitive, with thousands of students participating across the country.

Our students' outstanding performance in this exam is a testament to the school's commitment fowards providing a world-class education to our students. Our teachers' tireless efforts to nurture our students' academic excellence and instill a passion for learning have paid off in a big way.

We are incredibly proud of our students for their hard work and dedication and we congratulate them on their outstanding achievement. This success has not only brought recognition to the school but has also instilled a sense of pride and accomplishment in our students.













### **Annual Exam Class Toppers**



**VIVEKANANDA HOUSE** 

**RADHAKRISHNAN HOUSE** 

> **HOUSE TAGORE HOUSE**

**TERESA** 

Session 22-23













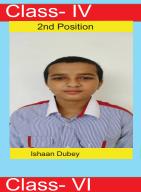






























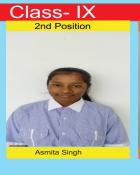














## **Annual Prize Distribution Ceremony**

The starting point of all achievement is desire. If one has the desire to succeed, one surely will. Keeping this in mind and to boost the moral of the students, G. D. Goenka School, Varanasi held its Annual Prize Distribution Ceremony on 15/7/23, in the school premises. It was the time to applaud and reward the students for their sincere efforts during the previous academic session. The school honoured all its achievers for attaining a sterling record both in scholastic and co-scholastic domain. Therefore, it wasn't only Academic Excellence that was appreciated but also categories such as 100 % Attendance, Best Innovation, Best Player and Co-curricular excellence also appreciated. Around 70 students were honoured for their outstanding achievements. Special care was taken to ensure that deserving students from each section of every class were honoured.

The ceremony commenced in the school assembly followed by a welcome address and was then taken further by the comperes. The school song was sung by the choir with great gist. The awards, trophies were conferred upon the well deserving Goenkans by the Managing Director – Mr. Rahul Gupta and the Principal. The Principal also motivated the winners to go ahead to achieve their heart's desire –whatever that may be. She went on to remind them to continue to uphold the values which area an integral part of the institution and behaviour. She appreciated the efforts put in by the students and the faculty for their overall performances and wished them to come forward with flying colours in future too.

It was indeed a proud moment for the recipients of the awards.









### My Frame Activity

"Every artist was first an amateur." – Ralph Waldo Emerson

Through art and craft, children learn to value and appreciate artifacts and images across cultures and times. Experience in design, art, and crafts enables them to reflect critically on their own work and others. They learn to act and think like designers and artists, working intelligently and creatively. Co-curricular activities are designed to help children develop their social, cognitive, moral, personality, and character appeal. Planning events that engage and educate young minds is something we strive to do. Relatively we planned "My frame activity" for Nursery and KG on 02.05.23

Students created lovely photo frames and showcased beautiful work and designs. They used different decorative materials to beautify their frames. They learned to work independently and their spirit to do better than each other was worth appreciating.

















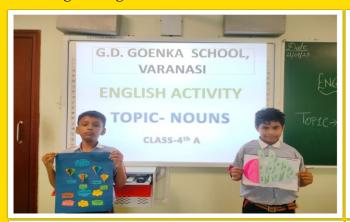
#### **Noun Activity**

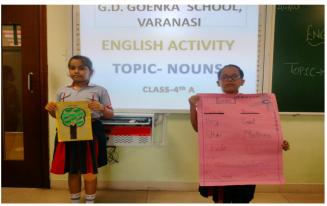
At G D Goenka School Varanasi, we promote experiential learning over the conventional rote learning. This ensures that subject such as grammar which is traditionally considered mundane also become interesting to learn and understand.

One such initiative - 'Noun Activity' which was organized for Grade 4A to introduce the concept of noun. As a part of this activity, the students decorated a noun chart which consisted of names of person, place, animal and thing.

Students were randomly alloted the words and their task was to match the example with the correct classification and accordingly paste on the Chart Paper.

Through this activity, the students learnt to identify nouns in a given sentence and classify them into one of the four categories. Children thoroughly enjoyed this activity as it was learning through fun.









#### **Tech Fest 3.0**

G. D. Goenka Varanasi is glad to share the laurels brought by Goenkans in an Interschool Competition the "Tech Fest 3.0 "organised by G.D Goenka Public School, Vasant Kunj East Delhi from 1st May to 18 th May, 2023. The students were congratulated and facilitated by the team and their colleagues. They showcased their talent in "Personnage - Character Enactment, Shiny Stamp -Poster Making, Encipher Scappe Game Designing, App-Titude, CYB-ORG, Express-IT, CODEATHON, CINEMATICS, BATTLE HUB" and future technologies.



## प्लास्टिक हटाओं देश बचाओं

स्वच्छ सर्वेक्षण 2023 प्लास्टिक त्यागो अभियान के तहत जी डी गोयनका स्कूल वाराणसी के बच्चों ने नुक्कड़ नाटक का मंचन किया। नाटक के माध्यम से बताया गया कि प्लास्टिक स्वास्थ्य के लिए बेहद खतरनाक है। यह वातावरण को दूषित करता है और दूषित वातावरण मनुष्य के स्वास्थ्य का सबसे बड़ा दुश्मन है। प्लास्टिक बेचने पर प्रतिबंध है।











### **Types of Houses**

Students of G.D. Goenka School Varanasi learnt about the importance of a house and the types of houses through an interactive activity. Through the activity they were introduced to different types of house such as apartment, bungalow, hut, tent house and igloo. Goenkans could easily relate to the topic and able to understand the concept. Several questions were asked to reinforce their learning. This was followed by asking the students to identify the pictures of different types of houses displayed. They could identify the apartment as a big house and the hut as a small house. The children enjoyed the activity a lot. This activity enhanced the visual and naturalistic skills.















#### **SUMMER CAMP - 2023**



Arrival of Summer changes the mood of an individual. Students wait for their \*Summer Camp\*. Like every year this year also G.D. Goenka School, Varanasi brought up an adventurous Saga of learning Summer program for students to go on an explorer's journey, to widen their horizons, gain new knowledge and sharpen their skills. It started on 22nd May, 2023 and ends on 31st May, 2023. The activities like Hula hoop, Tyre hopping Caricature, Skating Taekwondo, Rain dance, Treasure hunt, Sports activities, Culinary art, Pot making, Dance and Music were some of the attractions. Experts were invited for Horse riding, trampoline and magic show. Public speaking by the tiny tots was an add on to the plethora of activities organised. "Victory or defeat "No botheration was seen on the faces of the students while playing cricket. In fact students had an exhilarating cricket match. A tuneful badminton match took place flawlessly between the players. Face painting marked excellency wherein kids painted each other's faces with beautiful colours. Essence of horror reflected in Scary Story Theme presented by the students. Students were jubilant with the story of Vikram Betaal. Characters presented themselves with ardency. Mr Vipin Jha, the Academic Director and Mr Anshul Sharma, Collaboration Director from G.D. Goenka

Group, New Delhi visited the school on 26th May, 2023 and admired the infrastructure and wished the



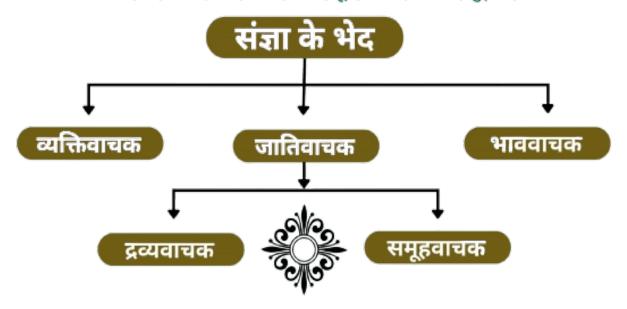
## Flower Making Activity



## कक्षा 5 के छात्रो द्वारा संज्ञा की गतिविधि

## संज्ञा और उसके भेद: परिभाषा

वैसा शब्द जिससे किसी व्यक्ति, गुण, प्राणी व जाति, स्थान, वस्तु, क्रिया और भाव आदि का बोध हो, उसे संज्ञा कहते है. जैसे; राम, मदन, पानी, दूध, पटना, बचपन, बुढ़ापा, आदि









### **Recycling of Pape**









Let's "Save our environment and join the race to make the earth a better place....The Goenkans at G.D Goenka School, Varanasi took this pain and recycled paper which can be reused ...

We believe recycling, reusing the paper to save our nature. All students enthusiastically participated and created a new paper after recycling the scrap. They had started the preparation days back by collecting the scrap paper from all over places, i.e. class room, homes and so on. Hence, it was a beautiful and surprising scene when the recycled paper was infront of them. The goal was to make new and usable paper. This was a baby step taken by Goenkans where in they realised the value of nature.











#### Farm Activity

How many students at your school know where the sweet potatoes on their lunch tray come from?

'Farm to school is a national movement that helps connect kids to be healthy, using local food, supporting local farmers and building communities. Farm to school initiatives happen in the classroom through nutrition lessons and field trips to farms, in the school garden, or in the cafeteria by serving locally grown food for breakfast or lunch.









#### **Mother's Day**

"A mother is she who can take the place of all others but whose place no one else can take."

Mother's Day Celebration reminded our little ones that we have been neglecting our duties as sons and daughters. The students had something more special and unique to bring up smile on

their beloved mother's face. They passionately got involved in making beautiful greeting cards for their mothers Hence, students of G.D. Goenka School Varanasi celebrated Mother's Day to express their gratitude towards every mother who made their lives be a u t i f u l.











#### PTM





"Education is a shared commitment between dedicated teachers, motivated students and enthusiastic parents with high expectations".

The first P.T.M of session 2023 - 24 was held on 20 May 2023 for the Students of Grade Nur to X, where the presence of the huge number of curious parents to communicate with their child's mentors were registered. Adding a dignity to the aura of the School's attainment ,Our Principal Ma'am individualistically took the initiative to interact with every guardian as her words of wisdom were just like a gratification for them.

" Connecting home and school makes us a great community of learners!"



















#### **First Aid Training**

First Aid Training Programme was organised by Dr Surendra Kumar from Max care Hospital on 02.08.23 in school campus. The whole programme went off for an hour and the students from 4th class onward participated in it. Doctors gave demonstration in first Aid treatment as road accidents, serious burns, electric shocks, dislocation etc. It was told that the first and the foremost thing one should remember is to remain composed and think positively. One must be panic. Our aim of providing first aid to the person's to protect or save the life and help him/her from

recovery. But at the same time we must keep ourselves cool:

A small first aid box was also taught to be made and what important things it should contain. At the end of the workshop, everybody felt confident enough to provide first aid to a person in need.



#### The lattice method

The lattice method is a way of solving multiplication problems that can help students understand the concepts behind multiplication, and can help them become more proficient in solving other types of math problems. It may take longer than other methods, but it can also be more effective in helping students understand the underlying concepts and principles. Additionally, it can also help students become more organized in their problem solving and develop their critical thinking skills.







#### Flag Making Activity

Learning about flags is a great way to know about our world, we live in. Flags are representations of each country, their elements hold special meanings, and come in different colors, patterns, and shapes. While learning about flags, children can practice the names of the countries, and even the names of the colors which is a fun activity can be taught even the younger once at home.

Students of G. D Goenka School Varanasi learnt about different flags of different countries through this activity





Celebrating leadership and excellence!!

It was a momentous day at G.D.Goenka School Varanasi as we celebrated the Investiture Ceremony, filled with pride, honour, and achievement. The Investiture Ceremony was nothing short of a resounding success. In the presence of Management, Teachers, staff members and students, we witnessed the official induction of our newly elected school council. The Investiture Ceremony was a momentous occasion that highlighted the values of leadership, responsibility, and commitment we hold dear at our school.

The heartfelt welcome address by our respected Principal Ma'am ignited a sense of inspiration within us all. The Head Girl and Head Boy expressed their gratitude in a heartfelt thank-you note and pledged to fulfil their duties to the best of their abilities. The ceremony concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by our Managing Director Mr. Rahul Gupta Sir who eloquently expressed gratitude to everyone who contributed to the success of the event.

Congratulations to the newly appointed leaders of G.D.Goenka School Varanasi. May you lead with grace, modesty, and a burning passion to impact the world positively. We would also like to express our sincere gratitude to the parents who have played an instrumental role in nurturing and supporting the young minds. Your unwavering encouragement and guidance have contributed to their success, and we are grateful for your continued partnership. Together, let's create a legacy of leadership that will continue to uplift and transform lives for the generations to come.

Let's applaud our student leaders, prefects, and all those who organized this exceptional Investiture Ceremony!























ATUL KUMAR HEAD BOY



AGRASHA MISHRA



SHUBHAM SINGH CULTURAL HEAD (BOY)



KRITIKA SINGH CULTURAL HEAD (GIRL)



NIRBHAY PRATAP SINGH SPORTS HEAD BOY



MARIYAM FATMA SPORTS HEAD GIRL



VISHWAJANAK
DISCIPLINE INCHARGE (BOY)



RITIKA JAISWAL
DISCIPLINE INCHARGE (GIRL)

#### HOUSE CAPTAIN



KARTIKEY TERESA HOUSE



RISHI TAGORE HOUSE



SHASHWAT



CHIRANTAN KHADSE VIVEKANAND HOUSE

#### VICE-HOUSE CAPTAIN



PRACHI SINGH



PARI TAGORE HOUSE



ARUSHI KESHARI
RADHAKRISHNAN HOUSE



SHRISTY SINGH

True leadership cannot be mandated. It must be earned

Congratulations and

Best wishes from the Management, Principal & Staff

#### **HEAD BOY MESSAGE**



ATUL KUMAR

'A leader is one who knows the way, goes the way and shows the way'

Warm greetings to all. I felt short of words to express my emotions, my gratitude for the opportunity, I have received to be the Head boy of the school.

First of all, I would like to thank the entire school management, who has shown immense faith in me by selecting me as the Head boy of our prestigious institution. Today, I take the oath that I shall do all that I can, and make this academic year a memorable one.

I may not be perfect and might not always get things right, but I promise that I will do everything in my power to get things right. I will stand firm with my cabinet as blessed grade with our own remarkable talents and help in proper functioning of school by performing our duties.

My dear fellow cabinet members!

From now onwards, the responsibilities of our school belong to us, so we shall stand as a unit against all the obstacles coming in our ways in these coming days.

A team is like a tool set, not one tool can do all the jobs, but together it can and yet, something incredible happens when teamwork happens the way it's supposed to. Things change when everyone in the team is equally invested in the overall purpose and goal. You find yourself working faster, finding mistakes more easily and innovating better. So let's join our hands together to work with team spirit.

Conducting my promises I would like to express my gratitude towards Honorable Managing Director Sir and our Respected Principal Ma'am for trusting me and choosing me as the Head boy of our school. I shall never let you down.

Let's take our school to the greater height of success.

#### **HEAD GIRL MESSAGE**



AGRASHA MISHRA

Hon'ble M.D Sir, Respected Principal Ma'am, Coordinators, Teachers and my dear friends.

Today, I Agrasha Mishra is invested as the Head Girl of our school. I am here for you all to express my sentiments on this occasion of the Investiture Ceremony of the student cabinet.

"The intellect of the wise is like glass, it admits the light of heaven and reflects it"

The Investiture Ceremony holds on a special place in an institution from which we gain wisdom. School is a temple of learning and not a mere building. Here we learn not only formal education but values and integrity. We are also shaped intellectually to face life later.

"Don't study to earn, study to learn because what you learn today is what you will become tomorrow."

"Action is what you are capable of doing" and motivation determines what you do and attitude determines how well we can do it". I assure everyone that I shall abide by the rules and follow my duties with dedication and devotion and lead the student body with commitment to you. To serve the school, to be a comrade fellow to my cabinet members and school mates, to be embellished with the badge, a dream that stayed during day and night to see G. D Goenka School Varanasi reach miraculous heights.

"If our hearts can desire it, mind can believe it, we are sure we can achieve it"

Lastly I would like to express any gratitude to the Almighty for showering his blessings upon us each day.

May God Bless us.



#### **Industrial Tour To Banaras Locomotive Works**

G. D. GOENKA SCHOOL VARANASI organized an industrial tour to Banaras Locomotive Works (BLW), Varanasi on JULY 14th 2023 for Classes 7, 8 & 9.

Banaras Locomotive Works (BLW), Varanasi is the largest diesel-electric locomotive manufacturer in India well known for being a world-class manufacturer of reliable, cost-effective and state of the art locomotives. This tour was organized to provide the students with an early exposure to the meticulous affairs of the mechanical industry. Under the guidance of BLW Executive, students witnessed various manufacturing processes which gave them a hands-on experience of the industry.













### **District Yogasana Championship**

We are delighted to announce that our young Goenkans won 14 medals at District Yogasana Championship, 2023 held at Jaunpur organized by District Yogasana Sports Association on 30.07.23. They were felicitated by Mrs.Bharati Sharma, Senior Director, Academics, GD Goenka Group, New Delhi.

"Yoga is a light, which once lit will never dim. The better your practice, the brighter your flame." - B.K.S. Iyengar

Yoga is an integral part of the School curriculum. With a focus on the importance of a robust body and mind, our students participated in the event.

It was a great delight to see the participants perform various asanas with so much agility. Exquisite yoga postures were a hallmark of all the students, they moved from one pose to another effortlessly and seamlessly. The competition boosted the confidence and self-esteem of the young yoga enthusiasts.

Following were the winners from our school:

Group event :- 9 to 14 age group

Shree Tiwari (gold)

Sonakshi Singh (gold)

Shreyashi Singh(gold)

Vanisha Singh (gold)

Traditional yogasana event girls:-

Shree Tiwari (third)

Vansiha Singh ( second)

Sonakshi Singh (second)

Traditional event boys:14 to 18 age group
Shaurya Singh (Third)
Dev Verma (second)
Rhytmic pair event:14 to 18 age group
Dev Verma (second)

Shaurva Singh (second)















Students of GD Goenka School, Varanasi (Class-III-VI) went for an educational visit to Banaras Beads Factory under the learning expedition series and added so much knowledge in terms of manufacturing, culture, market, economy etc. They enjoyed the excursion a lot with their friends and teachers and added new memories to their mental gallery.

Banaras Beads is India's Largest manufacturers of Glass Beads, Fashion Jewellery & Accessories dealing in Beads made from Clay, Brass, Aluminium, Copper, Resin, Ceramics, Horn, Bone, Semiprecious stones, Agate, Lac, Hand Painted Beads, Spray Painted Beads etc. Banaras Beads Limited is an Export house recognized by Government of India, established in the year 1940, having approximately 500 employees & it is a Public Limited company having more than 6000 shareholders. They are also listed in leading stock exchange of India BSE & NSE.

Industrial visits are an essential part of the academic. Being a part of interactive learning, such educational visits give students a major exposure to real working environments along with a practical perspective of a theoretical concept relevant to their domain. In addition to that, industrial visits bridge the widening gap between theoretical learning and practical exposure by giving students the first-hand exposure to identify the inputs and outputs for different business operations and processes performed at the workplace.

Intending to go beyond classroom learning, the industrial tours contribute a lot in holistic student development by letting students learn about the current trends in the market, the future scenario of the industry and the new technologies that are being applied in the industry.

























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#### Fire Mock Drill Training

"Safety is everyone's responsibility."

G.D Goenka School Varanasi conducted a Fire Mock Drill Training session today.

Officials from fire station in Bhelupura, Varanasi held a lecture and demonstrated the use of fire extinguisher in case of fire. The purpose to organize the mock drill was to check the readiness of the school to face accidental fire emergency and also to make the students and staff aware of the Fire Fighting Rescue Operation.

An emergency bell was rung, immediately after which, students gathered at the assembly point through the emergency exit points. Once there, head count was taken and students were briefed about the safety measures they need to observe in such situations. The different ways in which fire can be put out were also demonstrated. Students found the session quite informative.

Functioning of a fire extinguisher was also explained in detail. The information pertaining to nature of fire drill, types of fire extinguishers, the interpretation of the letters A, B, C, D, E on the fire extinguisher and also easy way to access the fire extinguisher by the acronym word 'PASS' were given to the students. Some of the students and security guards were called to operate the fire extinguisher independently.

Respected Principal Ma'am guided students about emergency situation, the methods of extinguishing fire and the general awareness about the Fire Fighting Rescue Operations.























G.D.Goenka School, Varanasi organized an Energetic Tiranga Rally related to the program launched by our Respected Prime minister "Meri Mati-Mera Desh"

In this Campaign of "Meri Maati-Mera Desh, Mitti ko Naman, Veeron ko Vandan", 60 Students, Teachers And Staff members 0f G.D.Goenka School Varanasi organized a Tiranga Rally to honour the martyrs of freedom struggle serving as a tribute to the freedom fighters who helped India in gaining Independence from the British rule

The Tiranga Rally started at Surya Sarovar, BLW and ended at Kundan rail engine in the BLW Campus. Lots of slogans were chanted by the students and the teachers present in the rally. The aim of organizing the rally was to remember the sacrifices of those bravehearts who gave up their today for 'our tomorrow'. Participants waved flags and banners as a mark of respect and love for the nation and their determination to stand united













## 15th August Happy Independence Day

It was a red letter day in the history of India when the country got her freedom on August 15, 1947. It took hundreds of years for us to break shackles of slavery. People of the country celebrate this festival every year with great pomp and show.

G.D. Goenka school, Varanasi also celebrates this festival every year. In this year, Our Students Council Members marched out in a procession through the school campus with a band playing the National Song (Vande Matram).

Principal Ma'am hoisted the national flag on the school building sharp at 9:00 am. All the students and the teachers saluted the flag and then sung the National Anthem following which a Cultural Programme was held. Patriotic Poems and Songs were recited by both the teachers and the students. Some students also presented group dance and skits.

In the end, Principal Ma'am delivered an inspiring and patriotic speech. She told the students about the supreme sacrifice of the great martyrs who gave their lives for the sake of our nation's freedom. She also said that freedom is very precious and it's our duty to preserve it.

Principal Ma'am also told the students to follow the ideals of great leaders like Mahatma Gandhi, Nehruji, Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose etc. Couple of students delivered speeches on this occasion speaking about the significance of the historic day. They advised the students to become ideal citizens of the country. In the end of the ceremony, refreshment was distributed among all.

Independence Day has a great importance in every citizen's life. This day reminds us every year that freedom is sacred and citizens must do everything to ensure that it is not endangered.

























#### 2nd INTER HOUSE SPORTS COMPETITION 2023

Inter House Sport competition gives all the students opportunity to participate in various sports and other activities with the aim of raising self esteem, developing self-confidence and giving opportunities for leadership and teamwork.

The Inter House Sports competition at the School is always a hard fought affair, which engages the children fully. School involves all the students in the competition so that all get a sense of participation and the houses are tested fully as far as their abilities are concerned. The three days Sports competition was held from 26.8.23 to 29.8.23. The students participated enthusiastically in different group games like Kho-Kho, Kabaddi, Tug of war and Cricket and many more. Semi finals and finals of all the games were scheduled on different days by the School under the supervision of Mr Arjun Gupta, PET. All the 4 houses (Vivekanand House, Tagore House, Radhakrishnan House & Teresa House) showed their might to win every event and there was tough fights in all events. The students cheered their houses vociferously.

The events held were a delightful mix of traditional races and skill-based challenges. The athletes eagerly participated in events such as 50 meter race, Shuttle run, Balloon Balancing, Cricket, Kho kho, Kabbdi, Badminton and relay races. Giving their best to contribute maximum points to their respective houses, children gave thunderous claps and cheered up their respectiveHouses.

The final score sheet of overall championship below depicts the intensity of competitive spirit among all the houses.

Radhakrishnan - 26, Teresa - 25, Tagore - 24, Vivekanand - 18

The dreams of Radhakrishnan House came true by winning the overall 2nd Inter House Sports Championship this year. Teresa House won the second place followed by Tagore House and Vivekanand House in that order.

Overall, the day ended with a memorable event that left everyone feeling inspired and motivated to pursue physical fitness and sportsmanship.







#### **Raksha Bandha Celebration**

Raksha Bandhan is one of the most endearing ways to celebrate bond between brothers and sisters. To strengthen this bond, Rakhi Making Activity was conducted wherein the students made beautiful rakhis using colourful ribbons, geometrical shapes and decorative materials

with great zeal and enthusiasm, every student showed keen interest in the occasion and beautiful environment was formed with full of joy and love.

This activity enabled the students to learn the importance of the auspicious festival of Raksha Bandhan. It also helped them get familiarised with the customs and traditions followed in this festival.

Many girls—tied rakhis on the wrists of boys. The rakhis made by the students were colourful and decorated beautifully. The basic theme behind organising this event was to increase the creativity of students . All the students made rakhis in school and were told about the sacred bond between a brother and sister and as to how rakhi symbolises the sister's love and prayers for the brother's well being and brother vows to protect his sister from all the evils. Students exhibited their aesthetic sensibility and soaring imagination.

The most important aspect of this activity was the way the students cooperated with one another to make magnificent Rakhis. They enjoyed the activity a lot. It was indeed a fun filled day for the tiny tots because of this activity in which they made colourful and eye-catching rakhis on their own!!









#### **Celebration**

"Teachers can change lives with just the right mix of chalk and challenges."

Teacher's Day was celebrated with zeal and zest on September 5, 2023. There was an unusual excitement in the school atmosphere which was quite contagious. The students of class X took over the duties of the teachers for the day. A morning assembly was held by the students, in which the students paid tribute to the great teacher Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan former President of India.

Principal ma'am addressed the entire school, urged students to maintain the bequest of respecting teachers and lauded the entire staff for their exemplary contribution to the school's phenomenal success. The Principal ma'am appreciated the sincerest efforts of the teachers in playing a catalytic role in the holistic development of every student..

Chairman Mr. Dinesh Gupta Sir and Managing Director Mr. Rahul Gupta Sir and Principal Ma'am were the dignitaries. There was a special celebration for teachers organised by students, which included dances and skit to recall the bygone days of teachers as a student. The celebration also had a few games conducted for teachers like Musical chair, Just a Minute Activity and many more to make the child within come alive. A grand lunch was a part of the celebration. Thus, the entire celebration paved a new hope for teachers to rejoice the journey as a teacher. The crux of the programme was 'Celebrating Teachers on the Teacher's Day...



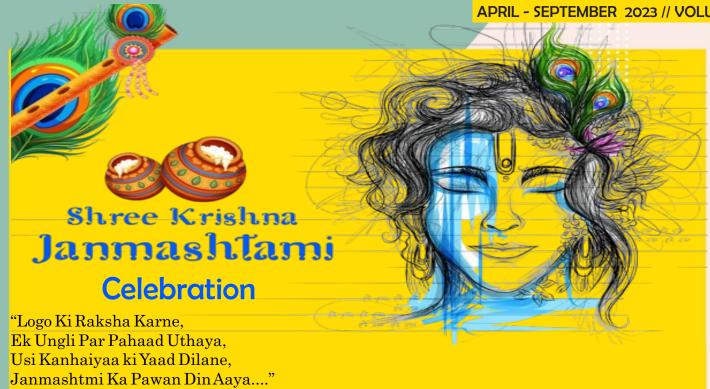












Today, Janmashtmi was celebrated with great zeal and enthusiasm by the students of G. D. Goenka School Varanasi. On this holy occasion, students performed many activities to mark the birth of lord Krishna.

The pious day began with a speech followed by, poem, bhajans and a play which was based of the story on birth of Lord Krishna's. Students were told that incarnations of god appear for special reasons under special circumstances in order to re-establish righteousness restore peace.

An important feature of Janmashtami is Jhanki (tableau) and cribs depicting various stages of Lord Krishna's childhood. Jhanki means peeping in the past life, in relation with Janmashtami it means peeping into the life of Lord Krishna. To make the students aware with the life of lord Krishna, Jhanki competition was also conducted where students prepared colourful Jhankis to show Lord Krishna's different roles of his life.

Teachers and students took the blessings of Sri Krishna by offering pooja and arti. Last but not the least was the much awaited event-"Dahi-Handi" competition as Lord Krishna and his poor cowherd friends loved milk. Curd and butter were kept in high hung pots on a lovely backdrop. A group of girls and boys were thrilled to break these pots on the feet tapping musical background. This competition was witnessed with the bated breath by everyone. The festive attire and the energetic Janamastmi music swayed all of us into an environment which made us feel the presence of the Lord Almighty amidst us. It was a memorable day for everyone.

Happy Janmashtmi....!!!!







"Nobody can do for little children what Grandparents do. Grandparents sort of sprinkle stardust over the lives of little children." —Alex Haley

#### A Salute to our Roots'

Grandparents are the family's greatest treasure, the founders of a loving legacy, the greatest storytellers, and the keepers of tradition. Grandparents are the family's strongest foundation. Through their special love and care, grandparents keep a family close to heart.

To honour them, G. D. Goenka School Varanasi celebrated Grandparents Day on Monday, 11 th September 2023. Principal Ma'am addressed the gathering and reiterated the role of Grandparents in all our lives, as Grandparents are "A little bit of parents, a little bit of teacher and a little bit of friend".

The little tots of Pre Kg and Junior KG came up with scintillating performances as they danced to the melodious tunes of songs based on the themes of unity in diversity, Travel India by train and Incredible India. The performances by students left the spectators spellbound and thoroughly mesmerized.

The Grandparents appreciated and shared their views on the Goenkans effort to make a connection between the generations through these events. Grandparents whole heartedly participated in the programmes organized by the School like the Dress Up Show, Building Up The Tower and Passing the ball. The artwork of the Pre Kg and Junior Kg Students were given as Prizes and Mementos to the Grandparents. Indeed the 2023 Grandparents Day was a memorable moment for our Grandparents and our School.









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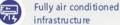
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