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A stride forward...

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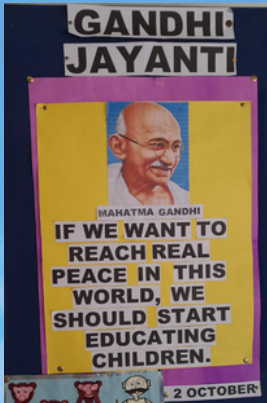
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PLAYFUL LEARNING : HOLISTIC DEVELOPMENT

GANDHI JAYANTI & SHASHTRIRJI'S BIRTHDAY

The tiny tots presented a beautiful thematic assembly, spreading love, peace and Mahatma Gandhi's timeless teachings. The young students showcased their creativity through soulful songs and rhymes, inspiring skit and thought-provoking quotes. The teachers highlighted Gandhiji's principles of non-violence and compassion. The assembly also commemorated the birth anniversary of Lal Bahadur Shastriji, India's second Prime Minister, who instilled the motto "Jai Jawan, Jai Kisan" and emphasized the values of courage and perseverance. The assembly concluded with a powerful message: "Be the change you wish to see in the world."



TINY STEPS TO BALANCE

On October 9, 2024 the Kindergarten students participated in exciting games to develop essential skills. The 'Balancing Game' was organised to enhance gross motor skills and develop balance & coordination. Balloon Game aimed to improve hand-eye coordination, foster social skills and teamwork. These interactive games helped young learners develop critical skills while having fun.

BALANCING GAME

CLASS- L.K.G.-

A, B, C & D



CLOTH DONATION DRIVE

Under the theme "Swachhata hi Sewa," Ankur School students launched a cloth donation drive for the Cloth Bag Langar initiative. Students collected gently used clothing promoting sustainability, reuse and recycling.



ESSAY AND PAINTING COMPETITION

On October 3, 2024, students participated in an essay and painting competition held at M.C. Zoological Park. Students showcased creative writing and artistic skills focusing on wildlife conservation, environment, and sustainability. The event promoted awareness and appreciation for nature.



IGNITING ENTREPRENEURIAL SPIRIT

On October 5, 2024, Ankur School hosted a workshop on entrepreneurship for its students, conducted by Dr. Rohit Kumar Sharma, Assistant Professor, Chemistry Department, Panjab University and Mr. Vinay Kumar, who has 30 years of experience in social work. Currently, Mr. Vinay serves as Sangathan Mantri of Swadeshi Jagran Manch, overseeing Punjab, Himachal Pradesh and Jammu & Kashmir. Students gained insights into the startup ecosystem, idea generation & pitching. The speakers shared their expertise, inspiring students to pursue innovative ventures.



EMPOWERING YOUTH

On October 4, 2024, a workshop was conducted for the students, on HIV/AIDS and drug addiction awareness conducted by Mrs. Sunita from Government Hospital Sector 16 (GMSH). The workshop aimed to educate students on the prevention, risks and consequences of HIV/AIDS and drug addiction. The interactive session promoted healthy lifestyle choices, encouraged open discussions and debunked common myths surrounding these critical issues. By creating awareness and fostering a supportive environment, the school seeks to promote the well-being and safety of its students.



ADOLESCENT EDUCATION PROGRAMME

On October 16, 2024, the Psychology Department organized an insightful 'Adolescent Education Programme' for Class VIII students. The teachers apprised the students about physical changes during adolescence, emotional transformations and management, building self-esteem and confidence & navigating teenage challenges. The experienced psychologists guided the students through interactive sessions, addressing queries and concerns. Students actively participated in the programme, sharing thoughts and experiences.



INTERACTIVE SESSION ON UPLIFTMENT OF MORAL VALUES

On October 18, 2024, students had the privilege of participating in an interactive session with eminent speakers, Prof. Sachidananda Mohanty, member- University Grants Commission and former Vice Chancellor, Central University of Odisha and Prof. Pankaj Srivastava, Chairperson, Department of Philosophy, Panjab University. The speakers emphasised on the importance of concentration in one's life citing the example of Arjuna from Mahabharat. The students were apprised about the importance of school education and the concept of true happiness which can be found in originality. Students were thrilled with this unique opportunity to learn from renowned experts. The session broadened their perspectives and inspired them to achieve excellence.



KULHAD DOLL MAKING WORKSHOP

On October 24, 2024, students participated in a unique Kulhad Doll Making workshop conducted by Ms. Jyoti from Fevicryl. This creative session allowed children to unleash their artistic skills, crafting male and female human figures from kulhads. Using an innovative approach, students learned to transform simple kulhads into vibrant dolls. With the help of fabric glue and fabric colours, they brought their imagination to life, creating beautiful and intricate designs. The workshop not only fostered artistic expression but also encouraged students to think out-of-the-box.



QUIZ WHIZ

On October 28, 2024, Social Science Quiz Competition was held in the school auditorium. Students from classes VI to VIII enthusiastically participated in the event, organized by the Social Science department. The competition consisted of multiple rounds, fostering teamwork, quick thinking and healthy competition. Students showcased exceptional knowledge, confidently recalling facts and explaining concepts. The results were as follows: Tulip House secured the first place, Orchid House stood second and Daffodil House took third place. This engaging event aimed to enhance students' knowledge of History, Geography, Civics and other Social Studies aspects, making learning interactive and fun.



FOSTERING COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Ankur School's Peace Club renewed its collaboration with GMHS-25 on October 25, 2024, through a visit to the Diwali Mela cum Exhibition. This festive outing aimed to strengthen partnership and community engagement. The event was graced by the distinguished guests from the field of academics. The exhibition showcased artefacts, handicrafts and cultural heritage, promoting social responsibility and community involvement. This initiative underscored Ankur School's commitment to fostering meaningful partnerships and enriching educational experiences.



SCIENCE EXHIBITION

On October 25, 2024, our school proudly participated in the Rajya Stariya Bal Vaigyanik Pradarshani, organized by the State Council of Educational Research and Training (SCERT), Sector-32, Chandigarh. Ten students from classes VI to IX represented our school in this esteemed science exhibition at Elementary & Senior Secondary stage, marking Level-I of the competition.



CLEAN AND GREEN DIWALI

On October 22, 2024 the Department of Environment, Chandigarh Administration, in collaboration with the Global Youth Federation, organized a "Clean and Green Diwali" campaign for Ankur School students. This initiative aimed to promote a pollution-free Diwali and foster eco-friendly practices among young minds. The campaign featured interactive session ,highlighting the environmental impact of firecrackers and emphasizing the importance of reducing, reusing and recycling. Students were encouraged to adopt sustainable practices and explore eco-friendly alternatives for festive celebrations. A student-led pledge to protect the environment further reinforced the message.

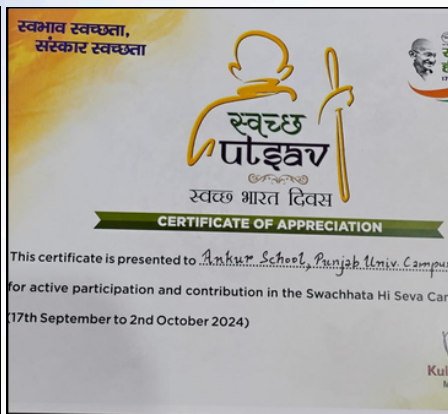
STUDENTS UNITE FOR A GREENER DIWALI

On October 29, 2024, the students took to the streets of Panjab University Campus, with posters, slogans and banners- "Say No to Crackers" , to spread awareness about the harmful effects of crackers on the environment. The rally aimed to promote an eco-friendly Diwali, encouraging fellow citizens to choose a cleaner and healthier celebration. Students raised awareness about air and noise pollution caused by crackers and promote sustainable Diwali practices.



ACCOLADES

The Principal, Ms. Aruna Dhiman, was honoured by Hon'able Governor of Punjab and Administrator of Chandigarh Sh. Gulab Chand Kataria on 2nd October at Mahila Bhavan, Sec 38 C, Chandigarh on the occasion of Swachhta Utsav. The school students and music teachers presented a bhajan -Raghupati Raghav Raja Ram on the occasion. The school thanks the MC Office, UT Administration, Chandigarh for giving the opportunity and the honour.



STUDENTS SHINE IN PAINTING AND ESSAY WRITING CIMPETITION

On October 8, 2024, Ankur School students were felicitated at M.C. Zoological Park, Chhatbir, for their outstanding performance in the Painting and Essay Writing Competition held on October 3, 2024.



Harshita (Class VIII) - 2nd Prize, Painting Competition



Hansika (Class VIII) - 1st Prize, Painting Competition



Shaurya Thakur (Class VII) - 3rd Prize, Essay Writing Competition



Sejal (Class IX) - 1st Prize, Essay Writing Competition



Shivika participated & won in a dance competition held in Gandhi Smarak Bhawan, sector 16, Chandigarh, on the occasion of Gandhi jayanti.

EDUCATIONAL EXCURSIONS: TRIPS GALORE

October 21-23, 2024, witnessed an exciting series of trips organized for Ankur School students from Nursery to Class XII. The destinations were carefully chosen to provide a mix of education, entertainment, and cultural enrichment.



PRE-PRIMARY WING : SISWAN WILL -O-WISP

On October 22, 2024, the pre-primary students embarked on an exciting picnic to Siswan Camp - Will-O-Wisp. The young explorers were bursting with excitement as they set out to explore the picturesque surroundings. The tiny travellers reveled in a day filled with thrilling activities: nature walks, bird-watching, and playful games amidst lush greenery. Their laughter echoed through the woods as they chased butterflies, and made friends with the resident ducks.



They discovered the importance of preserving natural habitats and respecting wildlife. As they played, explored, and learned together, the outing fostered unforgettable memories, social skills and a sense of adventure.

CLASSES III & IV : CHOKHI DHANI, PANCHKULA

Ankur School, organized an immersive educational trip for classes III & IV to Chokhi Dhani, Panchkula on October 23, 2024. This rustic village-themed resort provided a unique glimpse into Rajasthani culture, allowing students to experience the vibrant traditions and lifestyle of rural India. During their visit, students engaged in various activities, including traditional folk dance and music performances, exciting camel rides and leisurely village walks. They also savoured delicious Rajasthani cuisine, relishing local delicacies such as dal-bati-churma, ghevar and ker-sangri. Through this enriching experience, students gained valuable insights into rural Indian lifestyle, community living and cultural heritage. They learned about social harmony, cooperation, and the importance of preserving traditional practices. Principal Ms. Aruna Dhiman emphasized, "Such trips foster cultural awareness, empathy and appreciation for India's diversity."



CLASSES V & VIII : KURUKSHETRA & KAPURTHALA

On October 22, 2024, classes V -VIII went on an educational trip to Kapurthala and Kurukshetra. This exciting trip combined fun and learning, providing students with a unique opportunity to explore and discover. At Science City, students were fascinated by interactive science and technology exhibits, planetarium shows, 3D theatre experiences, a dinosaur gallery, and a science park with hands-on experiments. These cutting-edge facilities helped students gain practical insights into scientific concepts and technological innovations. In Kurukshetra, students also visited Brahm Sarovar, a sacred lake steeped in mythology and history, and Shri Krishna Museum, showcasing the life and teachings of Lord Krishna through stunning artwork and artefacts. These cultural experiences enriched their understanding of India's rich heritage. Through this educational tour, Ankur School emphasised on experiential learning fostered teamwork, creativity and lifelong memories, extending education beyond classroom boundaries.



Principal Ms. Aruna Dhiman shared, "Such trips empower our students to become informed, responsible, and open-minded individuals. We strive to provide holistic education, nurturing curious minds and innovative spirits. This enriching experience will remain etched in the hearts of Ankur School's students, inspiring a lifelong love for learning, exploration and growth."



CLASSES IX-XII : JANG -E -AZADI & MOORISH MOSQUE , KAPURTHALA

Classes IX-XII went on an educational excursion to Jang-e-Azadi and Moorish Mosque, Kapurthala, on October 23, 2024. This trip combined history, culture and architecture, providing students with a comprehensive learning experience. The students explored Jang-e-Azadi's interactive exhibits on India's freedom struggle and admired the Moorish Mosque's stunning architecture. A delicious lunch at Jalandhar Haveli treated their taste buds to authentic Punjabi flavours. Principal Ms. Aruna Dhiman said, "Educational trips broaden students' perspectives, foster patriotism and promote cultural understanding." Ankur School's focus on experiential learning helps students develop critical thinking, empathy and responsibility.

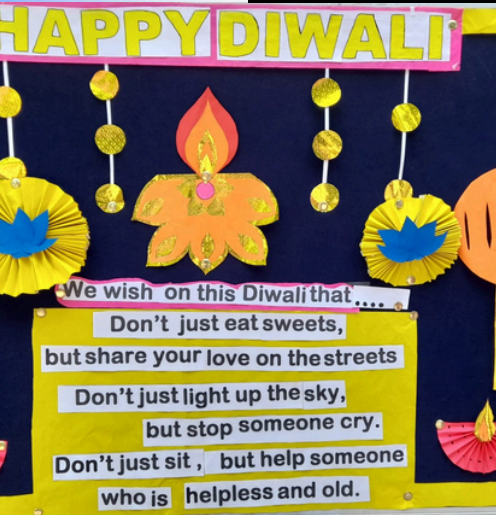


FESTIVE HUES : DUSSEHRA& DIWALI CELEBRATIONS

On October 10, 2024 a thematic assembly was organised to commemorate the auspicious occasion of Dussehra, showcasing the triumph of good over evil. The highlights of the celebrations were an enactment of Ramayana highlighting Lord Rama's victory, soulful renditions of devotional songs, vibrant performances depicting mythological tales and chanting sacred verses from ancient scriptures. The celebration culminated with the burning of the effigy of Ravana, symbolizing the victory of good over evil. Principal Ms. Aruna Dhiman said that Dussehra reminds us of the importance of righteousness and courage. She wished that this festival may inspire the students to embody these values.



THEMATIC ASSEMBLY ON DIWALI



On October 29,2024, Ankur School was ablaze with festive spirit as students, teachers, and staff came together to celebrate Diwali. The celebrations kicked off with a Rangoli and Diya decoration competition, showcasing the creative talents of our students. The school's corridors and courtyards were transformed into a kaleidoscope of colours, reflecting the true essence of the festival. The highlight of the event was a captivating dance performance by our talented students, which left the audience spellbound. Prof. Renu Vig, Vice Chancellor of Panjab University, was the chief guest, who lit the ceremonial lamp and conveyed best wishes to all on this auspicious occasion. The festivities culminated with a sacred Diwali Puja, imbuing the atmosphere with spirituality and gratitude. The occasion was further cherished with a delicious lunch. This joyous celebration reinforced the values of unity, harmony and togetherness that Ankur School embodies.



PROF. RENU VIG, VICE CHANCELLOR, PANJAB UNIVERSITY, GRACED DIWALI CELEBRATION AS CHIEF GUEST



ATITHI DEVO BHAV: MANAGEMENT MEMBERS BEING HONOURED BY THE PRINCIPAL



CULTURAL EXTRAVAGANZA FOLLOWED BY LUNCH



RESULTS OF RANGOLI COMPETITION HELD ON DIWALI

JUNIOR CATEGORY:

1. 1st Place: Tulip House
2. 2nd Place: Daffodil House
3. 3rd Place: Aster House

Senior Category:

1. 1st Place: shared by Aster House & Tulip House
3. 2nd Place: Orchid House





"SPORTS - RECENT VICTORIES & HIGHLIGHTS"



Ankur School students showcased exceptional talent and determination, bagging multiple medals in Wushu and Gymnastics tournaments conducted by Education Department, Chandigarh.

WUSHU INTERSCHOOL STATE TOURNAMENT

* Inter-School Wushu Tournament held at 43 Sports Complex from October 8-15, 2024:

Medal Winners

Nivash (Class XII) Bronze Medal, Under-19 (-62 kg)

Thingnam Goda (Class XII) Bronze Medal, Under-19 (-56 kg)

Dravid(ClassXII) Bronze Medal, Under-19 (-68 k)

Mridul (Class IX) Silver Medal, Under-17 (-48 kg)



JAVELIN THROW



Thignam Godadhor: Bronze Medal



Sameer: Bronze Medal (200m) Athletic Event



Yashpal (100m)Athletic Event-one Gold medal & one Silver Medal.



ATHLETIC COMPETITION



On October 13, 2024 Ankur School students showcased exceptional talent and determination, bagging an impressive haul of medals in various athletic events. Ankur school won 31 medals in Mahatma Gandhi Kompte Games organised by Chandigarh Athletics Association, at Sports Complex Sector 7, Chandigarh.

Medal Winners Tug of War: (under 19) 12 Silver Medals 12 Bronze Medals





NETBALL TEAM SHINES



Under-14, Boys Netball team won a Bronze Medal in the Inter-School State Netball Tournament, defeating St. Peter School 37 with an impressive score of 8-1.



ANKUR SCHOOL SHINES IN DODGEBALL STATE COMPETITIONS



On October 20, 2024 Ankur School students showcased exceptional talent and determination bagging an impressive haul of medals in 11 th dodgeball State Championships ,the school won 48 medals in dodgeball state Championship organised by Chandigarh Dodgeball Association, at C.L. Aggarwal School Sector 7, Chandigarh.

Medal Winners:

-Senior Boys category - 12 Silver Medals/2nd position.

Senior Girls Category - 12 Silver medals./2nd position.

Sub Junior Boys category - 12 Silver medals/ 2nd position

The school is incredibly proud of it's students' achievements. Their hard work, dedication and teamwork have paid off. Congratulations to all the medal winners and their coach Ms. Anshu Yadav.



ARCHERY INTERSCHOOL STATE TOURNAMENT



Archery interschool state tournament was organised by District Education Department of Chandigarh.



Medal Winners

1. Maahi (under 14 category) won 2 Bronze medal.
2. Avneet (under 14 category) won silver medal.
3. Sofia Samber won a bronze medal
4. Dharvi won 1 gold and 1 silver medal
- 5 Sehaj won (under 19 category) 1 silver medal
- 6.Akshita won 3 gold medals.



STUDENTS FLIP THEIR WAY TO SUCCESS



Ankur School students demonstrated exceptional skill and perseverance, securing multiple medals in the Artistic Gymnastics tournaments organized by the Education Department, Chandigarh, at Sector-7 Sports Complex from October 8-19, 2024.

Medal Winners

Shreya Yadav (Class 12th):
Bronze Medal, Artistic
Gymnastics, Under-19
category

- Devyansh (Class 6th): Bronze
Medal, Artistic Gymnastics,
Under-14 category

Aahana (Class 9th): Bronze
Medal, Artistic Gymnastics,
Under-17 category.



TRIUMPH AT INTERSCHOOL STATE LEVEL GYMNASTIC RHYTHMIC TOURNAMENT



Ankur School's talented gymnasts made a splash at the Interschool State Level Gymnastic Rhythmic Tournament, held on October 21 to 26, 2024, at Sports Complex, Sector 7, Chandigarh.



Medal Winners:
Gymnastic Rhythmic U-14

*Medal Winners

Hitakshi (Class 6th):

-All round best gymnast

- bronze medal

,Hoop- Gold medal

- clubs- bronze medal

Kaniva - Ball - Bronze medal

Under-17 Category:

- Pratigya (Class 8th):

- All-round Best Gymnast:

Silver MedalHoop:

Gold Medal- Clubs:

Gold Medal Ribbon:

Silver MedaBall:

Bronze Medal

Jessica: Ball: Bronze Medal

-Under-19 Category

Pratibha (Class 11th)

- All-round Best Gymnast

Silver Medal- Ball:

Gold Medal- Ribbons:

Gold Medal- Clubs:

Silver Medal Hoop:

Bronze Medal

The tournament, conducted by the Education Department, Chandigarh Administration, saw Ankur School's gymnasts showcase exceptional skill and dedication.

ANKUR IN NEWS

Amar Ujala



आर्चरी और एथलेटिक्स चैंपियनशिप में पदक जीतने वाले स्कूल के खिलाड़ी। स्रोत : स्कूल

अंकुर स्कूल के खिलाड़ियों ने आर्चरी और
एथलेटिक्स चैंपियनशिप दिखाया दम

चंडीगढ़। अंकुर स्कूल सेक्टर-14 के खिलाड़ियों ने इंटर स्कूल आर्चरी टूर्नामेंट में शानदार प्रदर्शन करते हुए पदक जीतने में कामयाबी हासिल की। टूर्नामेंट का आयोजन लोक स्पोर्ट्स अकादमी के आर्चरी सेंटर पर किया गया। इसमें अंकुर स्कूल की माही ने अंडर-14 वर्ग में दो कांस्य पदक, अबनीत ने अंडर-14 वर्ग में रजत पदक, अंडर-17 वर्ग में में सोफिया ने कांस्य पदक, अश्विता ने स्वर्ण पदक जीता। अंडर-19 वर्ग में धरवी ने स्वर्ण पदक, सेहज कौर ने रजत पदक जीता। स्कूल की प्रिंसिपल अरुणा धीमान ने सभी विजेताओं को बधाई दी। वहीं, स्कूल के खिलाड़ियों ने एथलेटिक्स चैंपियनशिप में भी बेहतर प्रदर्शन करते हुए पदक: 31 जीते। सवादा



LONG JUMP



Parminder
(Under17) Silver
Medal



Nivash(Under19)
Bronze Medal



Harshal Sharma
(Under 19) Silver
Medal

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