

A chat with our Dynamic Leader



The only leader of our school, man filled with great ideas and great will to achieve them. The new principal of our school, Mr. Ramesh Chandra Panda.

Q1. From where did you get your primary and secondary education?

Ans. I got my primary education from my small village named Rankuda in Odisha. Middle school education I got in my nearby village, Badapur which was two kilometres from my village and my secondary education was in another village named Samantiapalli which was five kilometres from my village.

Q2. Can you share any one experience which changed your life?

Ans. I was an obedient student and was liked by all. I was very shy in schools. In VIII standard, I felt literally insulted when I couldn't speak a single sentence in the school debate. This incident made me determine to be more confident in public speaking which later on helped me winning many prizes in oratory.

Q3. What inspired you from Modi's speech on 5th September?

Ans. Honourable prime minister's entire speech and interaction with students was quite inspiring. If character building is emphasized in schools, we can have a strong national character. Modi's emphasis on discipline, technology and scientific temperament in our education system and not let the child in them die, was really a path breaking talk.

Q4. Can you share one mischievous experience from your childhood days?

Ans. I enjoyed my childhood to the fullest extent in village atmosphere playing on sand, swimming in village ponds, cycling on village muddy and bumpy roads, catching fish from ponds, getting drenched in rains and playing Kabaddi with friends on village play ground.

Q5. What are your future plans for our school?

Ans. My plans for the school: focus more on students' centric activities, prioritising personality development, improving community skills and building confidence. Activities for students will include assembly talks, classroom discussions. Group activities, debate, quiz, inter-podar schools academic and cultural exchange programs. Academics, support to students needing extra attention will be my priority. Sports and other CCA activities will be more focused. Students will be counselled every month.

Q6. What message would you like to give to our students?

Ans. Have faith in yourself. Be optimistic and develop "I can do" attitude. Obey your parents and teachers. Respect humanity. Internalize good things in your life. Remember, perseverance is a key word to succeed. Learn from your failures. Understand your weakness and work on it. Keep the child inside you alive forever.

Rapid fire

- 1.Favourite actor- Amitabh Bachhan
- 2.Favourite actress- Madhuri Dixit
- 3.Favourite movie- Abhimaan
- 4.Dream destination- Ooty and Shimla
- 5.Favourite outfit- Formals
- 6.Food which waters your mouth- Mushroom dishes
- 7.Favourite sport- Kabaddi and Tennis

By- Purab Kalro (X)
and Rishi Nair (X)

"If opportunity does not knock, build a door."

-Milton Berle

“When we seek to discover the best in others, we somehow bring out the best in ourselves.”

-William Arthur Ward

Pro kabaddi league

The Pro Kabaddi League (PKL) is a professional kabaddi league in India, based on the format of the Indian Premier League. The first edition of the tournament started on 26 July, 2014 with eight franchises consisting of players from around the world. It is currently supervised

by Mashal Sports Managing Director Charu Sharma. 8 teams played in a caravan format, travelling together to all 8 venues to play 56 league matches, two semifinals, one 3rd and 4th position match and a Grand Finale, making a total of 60 Matches.

Player Signings

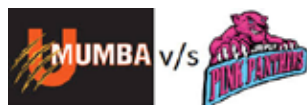
The first signing and auction of players for the 8 teams was held on 20 May, 2014 in Mumbai. The team auction was held on the same day. India's national kabaddi captain, Rakesh Kumar, was the priciest among the players bought for 12.80 lakhs by Patna franchise. Sports Authority of India's Deepak Nivas was bought by Vizag franchise for 12.60 lakh. Mostafa Nou-



dehi was the highest paid overseas player bought for 6.6 lakh by Pune franchise, amongst players from Pakistan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Iran, Japan, the UK, Indonesia, South Korea, Oman, Taiwan, Kenya and Turkmenistan.

Winning team

The final was held in Mumbai between Umumba and Jaipur Pinkpanthers in which Jaipur had a great victory over Umumba.



By - Yash Chandak
and Yash Gite(x)

LATEST MOVIE REVEIWS

MARY KOM



•**Cast:** Priyanka Chopra, Sunil Thapa, Darshan Kumar
•**Direction:** Omung Kumar
•**Genre:** Biopic
•**Duration:** 2 hours 3 minutes

Story: A Manipur rice farmer's daughter charts her own success story as a five-time world amateur boxing champion. She also makes India proud when she bags the bronze in the 2012 Summer Olympics.

STEP UP ALL IN



•**Cast:** Ryan Guzman, Brian Evigan, Stephen Boss, Misha Gabriel, Isabella Miko, Alyson Stoner, Adam G Sevani, Mari Koda
•**Direction:** Trish Sie
•**Genre:** Musical
•**Duration:** 1 hour 52 minutes

Story: The latest in the “Step Up” series brings together many of those in the previous versions for a 'dance-off royale', so to speak, in Las Vegas. Amidst the glitter and sequins, the fortunes of their futures hang in the balance.

By-TANMAY PHALKE & A.N. SHREYAS (X)

Kudos column

Inter house football Competition

Football is a game of competition among two groups of players, both competing with each other to prove themselves the best. In the similar way, a inter house football competition was conducted in our school in which both girls and boys of all the four houses participated. Firstly, there were two qualifier rounds for both girls and boys. In boys qualifier round 1 the match was between red house and green house boys where, red house won by 3-0. In second qualifier round of boys the match was between yellow house and blue house boys where blue house won by 2-1. After these both qualifying rounds, the final match for first position was between the Red House and Blue House, where Red house won by 4-1. Next was the match for third position, between Green house and Yellow house, where green won by 2-1. Thus, the result was as follows:-

1st – Red
2nd – Blue
3rd – Green

Next was the turn of girl's match, where there were two qualifying rounds. First qualifier round was green versus red where green won by 1-0. Second qualifier round was yellow versus blue where yellow won by 5-0. Same as in case of boys, after these qualifying rounds, the final match was between yellow and

green where yellow won by 2-1. In the match for third position, red won by 2-1. Finally this competition was over and the overall result was:

1st – Yellow
2nd – Green
3rd – Red

In my opinion, in sports, if someone wins, some or the other loses. This keeps on happening but real sportsmanship is in the one who does not give up after losing and keeps on trying his or her level best.

Rishikesh Vishvambhar of class IX B participated in 18th All India Kumar Surendra Singh Inter-School Shooting Championship held at Delhi from 10-14 Sep 2014 in the event 10 metre Air Rifle Shooting and bagged 4th All India position.

Well done. We at Podar are proud of you.



INDIVIDUAL ACHEIVEMENTS

1) Master Rishikesh Vishwambhar of std. IX B has received gold medal, as he stood first in rifle shooting (pip side) securing 288/300 points.

2) Master Om Rajput of std. VIII B has also received gold medal in rifle shooting (open side rifle) securing 192/300 points and both of them have made our school proud.

By- Anjali Nair (X) and Darshan Deore(X)



“It is in your moment of decision that your destiny is shaped.”

-Tony Robins

Kids Column

Independence day celebrated as Grandparent's day



Janmashtami celebrated by learning importance of milk and milk product



Pateti celebration by learning to share and care



Raksha Bandhan celebration with nature



Painting



Isha Bisht II D



Srushti Bhalerao 6 C



Yash Sutar VI C



Riya Jaju IV B



Arya Dhage VI C

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Shruthy Maria X std**

“If you love life, do not waste time, for time is what life is made up of.”

-Bruce Lee

Independence Day

It was on 26 January, in 1929 that the call for Purna Swaraj or complete Independence at Lahore session of the Indian National Congress was given. Since then the day was celebrated as Independence day up to 1947, but on achieving Independence, 15th August 1947 became Independence Day and January 26 was designated as Republic Day.

We the Podarites also celebrated this Independence Day on the morning of 15th August. Almost at 8: 15 am our Chief guest of the day Mr. Sameer Wagle with our Principal sir Mr. Ramesh Chandra Panda hoisted our tricolour National Flag, followed by singing our National anthem-“Jana Gana Mana...”. Next choir of some students sang a patriotic song named “Maa Tujhe Salaam”, simultaneously on which, the students of class X performed a dance, dressed according to the tricolour of our National flag.

After that we had a fabulous dance by the students of class II on the spiritual song –“Bharat Hamko Jaan se Pyara Hai....”

Succeeding to this we had a skit telling us the importance and significance of the three colour of our National flag namely- Saffron, White and Green along with the blue colour of the Ashok Chakra.

Next we had a wonderful dance on an enthusiastic song “Des Rangeela Rangeela...” with classical remix.

After this we were at the end of the program with the vote of thanks given by our Head girl, Miss Aanchal Vyas. We had some artists who drew wonderful tattoos showing their patriotism towards our nation. At the last, we all got a sweet for the celebration of our Independence and our freedom.

By-Akshita Lolage X



Janmashtami celebrations

By- Tasneem Zakiuddin (X) and Pranoti Billade (X)

The festival is celebrated on the eighth day (ashtami) of the Krishna paksha (dark fortnight) of the month of Bhadrapad (August–September) in the calendar. The Dahi Handi celebrates God’s playful and mischievous side, where teams of young men form human towers to reach a high-hanging pot of butter and break it.

The students of Podar International School also celebrated Janmashtami on the ground of the school. There was a dahi-handi program organized. The students of class 9th, 10th and 12th participated. Darshak Kamani was dressed in the form of Lord Krishna. All the kids had a chance to enjoy like God Krishna and had lots of fun. This program brought a new hope and joy in us.



TEACHERS DAY CELEBRATION

In many countries, Teachers' Day is intended to be a special day for the appreciation of teachers, and include celebrations to honor them for their special contributions in a particular field area.

When Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, the first Vice-President of India (1952–1962) and the second President of India from 1962 to 1967, academic philosopher, became the President, some of his students and friends requested him to allow them to celebrate his birthday, 5 September. He replied, "Instead of celebrating my birthday, it would be my proud privilege if 5 September is observed as Teachers' Day."

His birthday has since been celebrated as Teachers' Day in India.

On this day, teachers and students report to school as usual but the usual activities and classes are replaced by activities of celebration, thanks and remembrance. In some schools, on this day senior students take the responsibility of teaching in order to show their appreciation for the teachers. In the

same way, in our school students of class IX performed the role of teacher. In the morning assembly, these students said a few lines about the teacher, whose role they were performing on that day.

From 3 pm to 5 pm our Prime Minister Narendra Modi interacted with the children at Manekshaw Auditorium, in New Delhi on 05 September 2014. Our School arranged for all the children to witness the programme. While interacting he told them that children could contribute to nation-building through cleanliness and saving electricity and water. He also spoke of his experiences in day to day life with particular emphasis on educating girls. Thus he won many hearts of teachers as well as students after his interaction with them.

On 6th September, students of class X had an entertainment program, for all teachers, which was actually the Comedy Hours with X standard, full of joy and laughter.

By-Akshita Lolage (X)

“A life spent making mistakes is not only to be forgiven, but to be loved. For time is what life is made up of. Doing nothing.”

-Bruce Lee -George Bernard Shaw

EXPRESS YOURSELF

Grade 1 & 2:- Show and tell activity – ‘My Dream Shop’



Under the theme of ‘Young Entrepreneurs’, the students of grade 1 & 2 participated in a show and tell activity in which they created their own dream shop.

The topic -‘My dream Shop’ was designed to stimulate the students’ imagination and gets their creativity flowing. This activity gave them the opportunity to envision their own shop or business and express their preferences.

Show-and-tell was a whole-class shar-

ing activity in which one pupil after another got up, took the centre stage, and talked about something of his or her own. Students enjoyed Show-and-tell because it provided an opportunity for them to share something about themselves with their teachers and peers. In this activity the students shared what they would like for their dream shop and the items they would sell in it. They also came up with a name for the shop.

Grade 3 & 4:- Design activity- ‘My Business Card’



Under the theme of ‘Young Entrepreneurs’, the students of grade 3 & 4 participated in a ‘Design activity’ where they pictured themselves as entrepreneurs and designed a business card for themselves, as part of their ‘Express Yourself’ activity.

The topic -‘My Business Card’ was designed to stimulate the students’ imagination and gets their creativity flowing. This activity gave them the

freedom to choose who they want to be in future.

A design activity allows them to express their thoughts, feelings and emotions in a creative manner through different forms of art, rather than by simply conveying information. This topic encouraged the students to think about what they would like to be in the future and design a business card for themselves creatively on paper.

Grade 5 & 6 - Formal letter Writing –‘My Business Advice’



Under the theme of ‘Young Entrepreneurs - Discovering the Businessman in You’, the students of Grades 5 & 6 participated in formal letter writing as a part of their ‘Express Yourself’ activity. The students portrayed themselves as advisors and gave advice to a business man.

The topic-‘My Business Advice’, was designed to help improve the students’ critical thinking skills and sharpen their decision-making skills.

The students were required to write a formal letter of advice, help solve a business problem presented by a business person. The students were encouraged to think from the perspective of business strategy, offer advice and provide solutions that can be incorporated by the business. Through this activity, the students learned to write a well organized letter with good sentence structures.

Grade 7 & 8 – Debate – ‘Corporate Social Responsibility’



Under the theme of ‘Young Entrepreneurs’, and as part of their ‘Express Yourself’ activity, the students of Grades 7 and 8 engaged in a debate. The objective of this activity was to encourage the students to concisely, accurately and logically consider and argue their points of view. The activity helped pupils develop critical thinking, research and organizing skills, as well as those of prioritization

of information.

Theme of the Debate:

The theme of the debate was – ‘Corporate Social Responsibility – Do Corporations have a Responsibility beyond making a Profit?’

“If you can dream it, you can do it.”

-Walt Disney

Bizkid Bazaar

The school-wide theme ‘Young Entrepreneurs’ culminated into the ‘BizKids Bazaar’, organized by the students and staff members of the school within the school premises. This bazaar not only provided opportunities for the students to discover and explore their talents, dreams and abilities, but also focused on showcasing their entrepreneurial efforts to the visitors.

Students gave their best in making beautiful and eyes-widening things. The students from grade 1 to 8 with full enthusiasm prepared things like pen-stand, beautiful paintings done with the art of quilling, decorated pots with different types of laces and beads,

bookmarks, photo frames, greeting cards and beautiful hand-made paper bags.

There were different food corners which had tasty and delicious sorts of food items. There were also entertainment stalls like game zones with exciting prizes. Students also came up with their talents of nail-art and mehendi.

Some part of the money collected was kept for class party and the rest sum of money was donated. The main intention for conducting this activity was to start their entrepreneurship.

**By-Tasneem Zakiuddin (X)
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LITERARY CORNER

By- Aanchal Vyas(X)



IMPORTANCE OF BOOKS

Books are our best friends. We get a lot of knowledge from books. It makes us aware of the current affairs; teach us moral values and much more. Reading books is a good habit. It improves our vocabulary and keeps our brain sharp.

--Bhavika Kapoor (I C)



GANPATI

Ganpati has elephant's head, wide mouth and large ears. He has a trunk and two tusks with left tusk broken. He has four hands and a big belly. A mouse is sitting near the feet of Ganesha looking at the laddoos. He loves eating modaks and laddoos and I love him.

--Radhika Vinod Sonar (I C)

POEMS

Wee Willie Winkie
Wee Willie Winkie runs through
the town,
Upstairs and downstairs in his
nightgown,
Tapping at the window and crying
through the lock,
Are all the children in their beds,
it's past eight o'clock?

--Avani Mandar Joshi (I C)

Let's be friends



Let's be
friends,
Let's be
friends,
And let's not fight.

Let's learn to share,
Let's learn to share,
And do things right.

I can say I am sorry
And so can you.
We can be nice to each other,
You all see it's true.

--Parvanshika Bansal (I B)



ततिली

ततिली रानी ततिली रानी,
चतुर सयानी,
करती रहती है मनमनी |
रंग-बरिगी फूल देखकर
भर लती है मुह में पानी |
पीले-लाल गुलबी धनी,
रंग सभी के भर पंख में,
डाल-डाल पर कहे कहानी |

--Darshan Lalit Patil (I B)

“Opportunity does not knock; it presents itself when you beat down the door.”

-Kyle Chandler

WORKSHOP CHAT....

By-Aditi Soni(X) and
Aishwarya Thakare(X)

Teachers of our school visit various workshops to know more on various topics regarding students. Experienced teachers teach the other teachers of the various strategies to be used for the interaction with their students. The similar visit was taken by some of the teachers of our school.

This was the workshop attended by first standard teachers of our school. This ‘Life skill ‘workshop was conducted by Mrs. Petsy Lobo. The workshop was held on June 28th and 29th that is Saturday and Sunday respectively. A second workshop they attended was on August 16th and 17th i.e. Saturday and Sunday respectively. It was held at Podar International School, Kalyan. The workshop aimed, language enhancement when they interact with their students. This event helped the teachers to become more confident and apply various strategies to teach to their students. Through these modules our teachers can teach

the students in a use certain techniques for teaching their subjects.

The next workshop attended by our experienced teachers was of ‘capacity building for our leaders ‘, on 2nd and 3rd August, i.e. Saturday and Sunday respectively. The workshop was held at Podar International School, Kalyan. It was attended by our respected, principal sir Mr. Ramesh Chandra Panda, vice principal sir Mr. Bhushan Upasani, Mrs.Priti Sonavane and Mrs. Sadhna Joshi. The resource person was Mr. Anthony Correa. Through the workshop, teachers learnt that how to increase personal and professional leadership qualities, self awareness, time management and self management. All the above were well imbibed enhanced and was implemented in the day to day working of the school for self progress and progress of the institution. They also implemented it by using in their classes and also with their staff members.



Women’s Equality Day



Women’s equality day is a day proclaimed each year by the United States President to commemorate the granting of the vote to women throughout the country. United States were granted the right to vote on 26th august, 1920, when the 19th amendment to the United States constitution was certified as law. The amendment was first introduced many years earlier in 1878.

Every president has published a proclamation for Women’s Equality Day since 1971 when legislation was first introduced in congress by Bella Abzug. This resolution was passed designated august 26 of each year as Women’s Equality Day.

By-Tasneem Zakiuddin (X)



“Take risks: if you win you will be happy; if you lose, you will be wise.”

-Anonymous

Shaunak Chafekar, The Engineering Entrepreneur



Shaunak Chafekar is a 20 yr old mechanical engineering student. He is the founder of Scribido Campus (A start up that deals with custom newspapers for schools and colleges), Scribido Magazine and is now working on Cafe Scribido, a unique cafe concept with a more youth appeal. On the social work side, Shaunak is also the co-founder of ‘Hausla’; an NGO that works towards the upliftment of the differently-able. His company Scribido Campus is one of India’s fastest growing startup companies with a growth rate of over 5x YoY (Year on year). Scribido Campus has also been instrumental in conducting interactive events such as the Scribido Campus Journalism Summit and the Scribido Premier League. In the coming years, Shaunak plans to introduce more such events and give the students a national platform for competing. Shaunak was recently featured in ‘The Hindu’s’; elite list of ‘20 under 20’; entrepreneurs from across the country. He loves to talk endlessly about startups and entre-

preneurship and is on the lookout for the next big idea. The students of class VIII on 28th of August got a golden chance of interviewing this entrepreneur. There were different sorts of questions asked by these mischievous kids to better understand how did Shaunak manage to setup The Scribido campus. His interaction with students was quite inspiring.



By- Tasneem Zakiuddin (X)



Values: An Invaluable Treasure

Values are inherited treasures of posterity which are like our non material heritage and need to be preserved and cherished. Internalizing this invaluable resource will make one lead a precious and dignified life and spread the aura of fragrance all around. Values shape our relationships, our behaviors, our choices, and our sense of who we are. Values help children grow into independent, confident, caring people. The values we can inculcate in our children include Honesty, Moderation, Love, Friendliness, Loyalty, Promise keeping, Equality, Self-reliance, Devotion, Social justice, Responsibility, Sensitivity, Respect, Mercy, Dependability, Self-discipline, Kindness, Peacemaking, Self-control, Courage, Compassion and many more...

The more positive our values, the more positive are our actions. By helping our children develop positive values and modeling positive behavior based on values, we:

- Help them listen to their conscience.
- Build their integrity.
- Encourage them to help others.
- Help them become independent.
- Encourage their ability to tell right from wrong.
- Give them a way to figure out how to be happy.

Let us groom our children and make them responsible citizens by inculcating in them all these values and help them lead a successful life.

By-Kalpna Panda
English/SST Teacher

