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At the Bengal Junior Open

## **BENGAL JUNIOR OPEN SQUASH TOURNMENT**

The recently concluded Bengal Junior open, at the Calcutta Racket Club was indeed an affair to remember. This was the 2nd edition of Bengal Junior Open. It was a three star event, conducted under the aegis of the Squash Racket Federation of India (SRFI). The tournament attracted 270 of the top junior squash players of the country, with the majority of them being from the states of Tamil Nadu and Maharashtra. Children competed in various age categories of U-11, U-13, U-15, and U-19. They braved it out in the oppressive humid weather to fight out the five setter matches. Megha Bhatia of class S3-C, displayed her mastery over the game and emerged as the top position holder in the girls U-13 age category. Sanya Vats of class S3-D secured the sixth position in the girls U-15 age category. Abeer, Parth, Swayam, Sidhant and Armaan also did the school proud with their participation at this national level event. It is indeed a proud testament to the sporting excellence of Modern School.

### LAJPAT HOUSE BIENNIAL HOUSE FUNCTION 2015



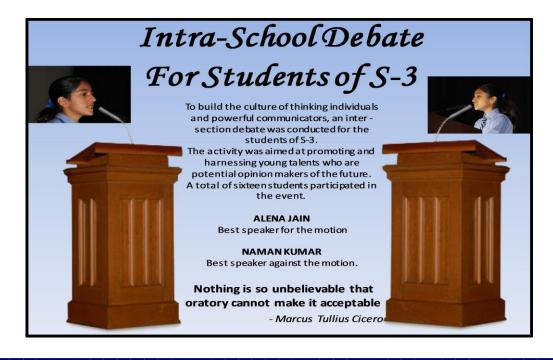
(L-R) Mr Ashok Pratap Singh, Ms Vinita Shanker, Dr Vijay Datta, Ms Malini Khatri, Ms Usha Nair, Ms Ambica Pant, Ms Sapna Bhatia

The students presenting the house song

Lajpat House celebrated its Biennial House Function on 17th July. The Chief Guest for the occasion was Mrs. Vinita Shanker, Deputy Director (C/ND), Directorate of Education, Govt of Delhi. Sh.Ashok Pratap Singh, President, Board of Trustees, Modern School and Mrs.Ambika Pant were Guests of honour.

The programme started with the traditional lighting of the lamp by the dignitaries followed by invoking the blessings of Goddess Saraswati through a melodious Saraswati Vandana by Projatna Chaudhri of S6 E. Sarthak Bahl extended a warm welcome to all distinguished guests and Varun Pant gave the House Report highlighting the student achievers of the House and the laurels added to the school board.

An aura of mirth and festivity filled the auditorium as youngsters took the stage with 'Soni Mahilwal' – a beautiful ensemble of Punjabi folklore which carries a timeless treasure. Arindam of S4 enthralled the audience with his mellifluous voice .The audience tapped their feet to the tunes of melodies of the present era. Sharang marvelled everyone with his guitar .It was preceded by House Play "Mumbai Express" – a comic satirical play by the amateur theatre group depicting the different colours of the lives in today's world. It filled the environment with great joy and enthusiasm. The evening appeared truly blessed by the presence and speech of the chief guest appreciating the school's efforts in coordinating such programmes and also encouraged the students to make best use of opportunities being provided to them. Addressing the august gathering, Dr Vijay Datta, the Principal emphasised on school's learner centred approach ensuring its students maximum exposure to various co-scholastic activities being done in the school.



## JUNIOR NATIONALS- SWIMMING



Deepanshu Dahiya with the Swimming coach Mr Pankaj Rathi



The proud winners

The 42nd Junior Nationals were held in Pune at Chhatarpati Shivaji Stadium, Baliwadi from 13th to 19th July 2015. Eleven students of our school represented Delhi Team in the India's biggest age group competition. Students from 25 States from all over India participated in the competition. Deepanshu Dahiya of our school got a SILVER and a BRONZE medal in 400 m individual medlay event and 800 m free style event respectively. He also secured BRONZE medal in 4x200 m free style relay.

Other swimmers Khushi Jain, Priyank Rana and Mannat Singh were ranked 5th, 6th and 8th in the individual events respectively.

Deepanshu has also been shortlisted to represent India in ASIAN AGE GROUP SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP to be held in Bangkok.

#### SPORTS REPORT



#### At the Golf course

Sai Vikram Angrish won the 1<sup>st</sup>position in boys category (13-14 years) in the Golf Foundation North Zone Championship which was held at Golden Green Golf course on the 5<sup>th</sup> June,2015. He also won the 2<sup>nd</sup> position in the boys category(13-14 years) in the 4<sup>th</sup> Ultimate Golf Jr. Tournament which was held at Golden Green Golf course held on 8<sup>th</sup> June,2015. On 12<sup>th</sup> June, 2015 Sai Vikram Angrish won the 1<sup>st</sup> position in the boys category (13-14 years) at the Final Ultimate Golf qualifier for US kids World Championship held at ITC Classic Golf course. On the 19<sup>th</sup> June, 2015 he again won the 1<sup>st</sup> position and a cash prize of One lakh rupees in the boys category (13-14 years) at the 2<sup>nd</sup> North Zone IGU Sub Jr. and Feeder Tour-Srinagar.

#### GOLF

### TABLE TENNIS



The players in action

The Table Tennis Zonals were held at Sanskriti School from the 16<sup>th</sup>- 21<sup>st</sup> July, 2015. Diya Sabharwal S3 G, Neha Gupta S2 G, and Tamanna Gulshan S1A won the 1<sup>st</sup> position in the U-14 girls category. Dhanishtha Arora S4 C, Kamakshi Gupta S4 D and Sukriti Jain S4 B won the 2<sup>nd</sup> position in the U-17 girls category. Mannit Singh Narang S2 A, Aditya Poddar S3 F, Ansh Kapoor S3 C and AumVikram S3 G won the 1<sup>st</sup> position in the U-14 boys category. Harsh Gupta S4 H, Aksh Gupta S5 H, Shivam Gupta S5 C, Nishant Mehta S5 F and Ishaan Virmani S5B won the 1<sup>st</sup> position in the U-17 boys category. In the U-19 boys category AditDatta S5 D, Vaibhav Lakhotia S7 H, Neev Sidana S7B and Arindam Dewan S6 A won 3<sup>rd</sup> position.

#### **QUIZ HELD AT CARMEL CONVENT SCHOOL**

On Thursday, 23rd of July, there was a "General Quiz" organized by Carmel Convent School, ChanakyaPuri as part of their cultural fest 'Iridescence'. From our school, we had two teams consisting of Divij Mishra and Arshdeep Singh as one team and KunalSaluja and AkshatSingal as the second team. It was a very well organized quiz. The preliminary round consisted of 30 questions. The first team made it to the finals but unfortunately, the second team wasn't able to reach the finals.

The finals had 6 difficult rounds. Our team had a huge lead since the beginning but the team from Vasant Valley didn't let their guard down and sneaked past us in the final round which had raised stakes from 5 points to 10 points and our team got second place with 3 points less than the first team. It was a great experience for both our teams.



The winners with our Principal Dr Vijay Datta