



**MARCH-APRIL 2023** 



A CELEBRATION OF EARTH DAY WITH PEEPAL BABA: RENEWAL & NEW ENERGIES

#### From the Mentor: New Beginnings

Dear school community,

Earth Day and the start of the academic year come together in April, bringing the commitment to renew ourselves and the planet we call home. From Baisakhi to Earth Day and the excitement of going to the next Grade, it's the time for new beginnings.

First of all, **congratulations to all students and their proud families** for a successful 2022-2023. Our students and teachers have come together to achieve the development milestones of every child. We also congratulate students of KIIT World School for exceptional CBSE results:

- The school's high stands at **98.8%** (best of four) in Grade XII and **97.8%** in Grade X.
- Approximately one in every four students has scored **over 90%** in Grade XII and Grade X.
- In certain subjects, **A1 & A2** grades have been awarded to four out of every five children. Every single child of Grade XII has received scores above 60%. Our teachers aim that every child in a class should excel and we are steadily moving towards that goal.

To each student along with their parents, and especially to new admissions and the little graduates from Happy Hours who moved to Grade VI, welcome to a new cycle of learning and growth.

#### Dr. Sangeeta Bhatia

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**Dr. Sangeeta Bhatia** Mentor, Happy Hours School Pitampura, Delhi





**One family:** Happy Hours' young graduates enter senior school



Harvesting happiness on Baisakhi with students and their families



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Our vision is to create a community of lifelong learners who are connected, confident, Indian global citizens and who go on to become informed leaders of the future.





### **EXPLORE EARTH DAY:** TAKING INSPIRATION FROM ONE MAN, 20 MILLION TREES





On the occasion of Earth Day, the school organised a week-long celebration. The highlight of the event was the presence of Mr. Prem Parivartan also known as Peepal Baba, a renowned environmentalist. The visit was organised as a part of our ongoing efforts to raise awareness about the importance of environmental conservation.

Peepal Baba emphasized the urgent need for each one of us to take responsibility for protecting the planet. He shared his personal experiences of working towards environmental conservation since his childhood and how planting trees can help mitigate the effects of climate change. Talking about his foundation, 'Give Me Trees', one of the largest community-based voluntary tree planting & conserving movements in India, Mr. Parivartan said that the organisation has planted more than 20 million trees over a span of forty years.

The week was packed with activities as our students committed themselves to environmental protection. From eco-friendly fashion through a ramp walk to fun-filled activities that connected students to fresh food and fruit, we joined hands to create a joyful earth.







March-April 2023



# **EXPLORE** EARLY LEARNING

### BEST PRACTICE Circle Time

Teachers begin the day with Circle Time where conversations with and between children are encouraged. With **rhymes** and **action songs**, children warm up for the day. Many everyday lessons are touched upon, recapping important themes in a way to reinforce cognitive, physical, emotional and social development. **Social skills**, development of **language** and **person-to-person** connect are a daily ritual through Circle Time.

### मौखिक कविता वाचन

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### स्वरचित मौखिक कविता वाचन

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# Language and Art. TOGETHER.

Our little minds created a piece of art to learn ' vyanjan. They undertook a paper tearing and pasting activity on a tortoise, learning the lessons of language and art while developing gross motor skills and hand-eye coordination in one immersive activity.







# EXPLORE EARLY LEARNING



**ROLE ENACTMENT** 



The **creativity** and **speaking skills of Class IV** were highlighted through the role enactment of Shere Khan. Students enjoyed behaving like Shere Khan and portraying its behaviour through their expressive and fun actions.

#### **KNOWLEDGE TOUR OF INDIAN STATES**



Without moving from the classroom, students covered the length and breadth of India presenting **data on Indian states** and discovering their culture, food, language and textiles. They presented their thoughts in the classroom, bringing alive the diversity of our great nation.

### **STUDY OF LEAVES**



To study the different parts of leaves, students collected an assortment of leaves and identified the related plant. They spent time learning the **different parts of the leaf** and labelled them with care. They discovered a world of learning in the simple leaf, observing leaves with a new curiosity.



### MOBILE LABS: VOLCANIC ACTIVITY



The students built an active volcano using vinegar, dish washing soap water and baking soda slurry. They experimented with how baking soda and vinegar react on mixing.





# **EXPLORE EARLY LEARNING**

### THE NOUN TREE

An art-integrated project, wherein students of Grade III made a chart on the topic 'Nouns' showcased their creativity. They used their colourful charts to explain the kinds of nouns, getting to know nouns, through principles of creative learning.



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### FLAP SHEET

Students of Class IV explained the topic 'Subject and Predicate' by preparing flap sheets. This art-integrated activity helped them learn the concepts of sentence formation, identification of subject and predicate, and enhancement of their craft skills.

### ANIMAL RACE

Movement-related activities are crucial for developing minds and bodies. In Animal Race, children thought about their own body mechanics based on animals they may have observed. They wore the headgear of different animals and competed with each other while running on a track, learning in a way that engaged them completely.







#### MAKING BIRTHDAY **CARDS SPECIAL**

Children made creative and colourful cards using their favourite colours, before pasting birthday messages on the cards. The exercise enhanced the creative skills and aesthetic sense of the children, while teaching them the value of celebrating special moments for others.

#### **BEST PRACTICE HYGIENE IS A FUN** HABIT





Our tiny tots presented a beautiful rhyme on good habits and how to 'brush, brush, brush your teeth'. They brought props and presented the rhyme confidently, enjoying themselves and learning an important lesson on hygiene.



# ENGAGE IMMERSIVE LEARNING

#### **GRADUATION DAY: TIME FOR GRADE VI**

The fun of entering Grade VI and becoming a senior is super special when everything is new and yet, everything is wonderfully familiar. Happy Hours School students graduated from Grade V to enter KIIT World School after a heart-warming ceremony. The young graduates celebrated their special day with their families, before moving to the campus next door, where senior students were ready and waiting to welcome them and show them around.

#### **CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR GRADUATES!**





#### JALLIANWALA BAGH MASSACRE

A skit on Jallianwala Bagh Massacre and poem-recitation by Grade IV Curious Crew vividly reminded us of the massacre of Amritsar in April 1919. The assembly aimed to educate students about the Jallianwala Bagh Massacre - both through a quiz and through the perspectives shared by parents at the event. The students portrayed the incident through a dance-drama presented with sensitivity and skill, leaving the audience deeply moved.

### WORLD MALARIA DAY

Grade II's Caring Champs took up the work of educating their peers about **prevention of malaria and dengue** on World Malaria Day that falls on 25 April 2023. The assembly highlighted the harm and diseases that mosquitoes cause. Children learnt of simple ways to keep mosquitoes at bay, such as the use of mosquito nets and mosquito repellent spray and understood the importance of making sure that water does not stagnate in pots and drains. Some unusual 'mosquitoes' were seen at the event too!









#### CLUBS IN FOCUS: ENGLISH LITERARY CLUB

Members of the English Literary Club delivered a speech on the topic, 'Conservation of Monuments' to instil a love for our heritage among students. Grounded in research, the speech helped our young speakers build their oratory skills, and understand the importance of mastery and knowledge of a subject for speeches and presentations.

### SHAKESPEARE'S BINGO

On a literary note, Grades III to V celebrated the birth of William Shakespeare through Shakespeare's Bingo. This was a new learning experience for students to find about the life and times of the great playwright who wrote over 30 plays as well as many poems in his lifetime.





#### **BAISAKHI BRINGS FESTIVE CHEER**

With traditional food, costumes and games, to say nothing of a culinary feast consisting of mouth-watering delicacies, we celebrated the heritage of Punjab on Baisakhi. It was a fun-filled day for students, teachers, parents and the entire community.

The event was graced by eminent citizens of Delhi: Mr. Ram Manohar Mishra from Crime Branch, Delhi, Mr. Jai Kishan Goyal, Member of Delhi Pradesh BJP and Chairman of Agrawal Mahasabha and Mr. Puneet Bari, President, RWA, Kohat Enclave. Our distinguished alumnus, Mr. Himanshu Ramna, MBBS also made time to join us. All the eminent guests praised the school's efforts in preserving and promoting the cultural diversity of India and shared warm greetings for Baisakhi.

The stage was then set for a series of cultural performances that showcased the glory of Punjab. Parents and students participated in traditional games like 'gitte', 'stapu', 'rope skipping' that brought the vibrant, energy-filled spirit of Baisakhi to life.







We celebrated Baisakhi with fun, festivity and flair.







# **ENJOY** JOY OF LEARNING

#### WE HONOUR INDIA'S ICON SACHIN TENDULKAR <u>ON HIS 50TH BIRTHDAY</u>

The school celebrated the birthday of the master blaster, Sachin Tendulkar, in true cricketing style amidst a great deal of fanfare. A cricket match was organised between student teams, KIIT Warriors and KIIT Knight Riders, to commemorate the 50th birthday of the God of Cricket - with Happy Hours' bringing in cheerleaders from Grade II, with tooters and pompoms. After a nailbiting match won by KIIT Knight Riders, there was time for a friendly over between teachers and our Mentor.

The entire ground reverberated with the chants of 'Sachin' as a cake was cut, and with this display of **sportsmanship** we paid tribute to the one and only Sachin Tendulkar.







# **GLIMPSES**

#### ORIENTATION DAY: WELCOME, NEW STUDENTS AND PARENTS

The school welcomed new students and their parents in a spectacular ceremony held on March 25, 2023. Dr. Sangeeta Bhatia apprised parents about the vision, values and work ethic of the school.

From the fast-changing Indian education landscape and the role of the National Education Policy 2020 in bringing about a paradigm shift in education, to the importance of effective communication between parents and the school fraternity for the well-being of students, an engaged audience interacted with Dr. Bhatia, teachers and school leadership. Enthralling cultural performances captivated the audience, before students and their parents toured the school and created joyful memories of the start of a new school journey.



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#### WORKSHOPS

#### National Progressive Schools Conference

The school leadership and management team attended the National Progressive Schools **Conference Golden Jubilee celebrations** held at Manekshaw Centre, Delhi for insightful views on "Designing Human Centric Education for a Sustainable World". The inaugural session and keynote address was by Shri B.V.R Subrahmanyam, CEO, Niti Aayog. Eminent panelists spoke of policy measures in the context of sustainability in education, the fundamentals of true enlightenment, life for the environment focused on mindful and deliberate utilisation of resources.





#### Competency Building Programme on Art Integration

A CBSE Capacity Building Programme on Art Integration was hosted on April 17, 2023 at KIIT World School led by distinguished resource persons, Ms. Archana Narain, Principal, The Indian Heights School, Dwarka and Dr. Naveen Gupta, ICT Head, St. Mark's School, Meera Bagh. The session aimed to enhance the creative teaching skills of educators, while promoting artistic expression as a means of enhancing learning outcomes. The programme was initiated to help teachers become more proficient in integrating arts into various subject areas, including math, science, social studies, and language arts and to develop innovative and engaging teaching approaches for students.



**Teach the Teacher: Bloom's Taxonomy** The finer nuances of Bloom's Taxonomy and Structure of Learning Outcomes to improve quality of assignments was the theme of an interactive session for teachers. The session proved to be quite insightful where all the teachers deliberated upon differences between evaluation and assessment, education and learning, and various approaches to learning including Brain Science.







# **PARENT-SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP**

A cornerstone of our philosophy is a powerful parent-school partnership. Our Mentor, Dr. Sangeeta Bhatia, leads the way in proposing innovative practices and mechanisms for effective dialogue between parents and the school.

# **Parent-school engagement:** Creating a connected world for students

Be the student success and student wellness draw on the environment at school and, equally, at home. Independently, each ecosystem must be supportive; together they must be a connected world. When schools and parents make time for an ongoing dialogue, they improve learning, motivate children and enhance their self esteem. Each time parents visit their child's school, they further inculcate respect and love for learning in the student. Innovation in education is imperative as

Innovation in education is imperative as we nurture young minds with the technological, creative and life skills of the 21st century, and it must include how we engage parents with academia. Today, a culture of active family engagement with schools is emerging and it is time to embrace new practices and beliefs about how we can join hands. As a parent recently expressed, "Together we will make our children good humans and professionals." At KIIT World School in Delhi, that is an ongoing endeavour for students to thrive.

#### Beyond parent, teacher meetings

A) There is many avenues for parents to be a part of activities, workshops and celebrations at school. Orientation sessions for parents set up lines of communication and introduce teachers. The digital mindset allows for virtual meetings and convenient catch-ups. Our Aashirward Samaroh - to bless students as they begin exams - is a tradition that parents really

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appreciate. Students draw on the collective wisdom of their family and school at annual Interaction Sessions. Each occasion and festival reaffirms the mutual commitment of the school and the parent to an open and constructive dialogue and brings us closer.

#### Parental role in academics

B) The parent and teacher must share insights rooted in trust and honesty to power student performance. A Subject Enrichment Activities calendar is an effective resource for parents in the smooth functioning of classes. Holiday homework, assignments & art integration projects are exhibited for parents to laud the efforts of students. Assessments are another area where parents' cooperation is sought and after every periodic exam, we discuss strategies for the child's improved academic performance. Finally, parents identify projects and areas in which they can contribute by sharing their knowledge and expertise.

#### Win-win conversations and feedback

C) In a comprehensive school climate survey, parents join teachers to make observations and voice suggestions. Each comment is acknowledged and worked upon, closing the communication loop. During a safety audit, parents even go on a school inspection and give feedback. Parents are also members of committees such as Health & Wellness, Examination, Career Guidance, and POCSO to name a few. When parents are real partners in education, often they are the ones who drive change and excellence in education. Constructive collaboration between par-

Constructive collaboration between parents and teachers is the wind beneath the wings of students. Together, we ensure students emerge as torchbearers of human values and capable change-makers, competent to shape their own destinies. It's a matter of pride that we, the school and the parent, are aligning to help our children realise their dreams.

SANGEETA BHATIA, Principal, KIIT World School, Northwest Delhi

#### **Parent Visiting Hours**

Parents are welcome to visit the school to meet:

#### Teachers:

Weekdays, from 2 pm to 3 pm **Principal:** By prior appointment

#### DROP IN YOUR SUGGESTIONS

To give us a suggestion right away, click here OR

Visit www.happyhoursschool.in at any time and use the online Suggestion Form.

#### UNVEILING THE SATYA KAMRAH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Satva Kamrah Memorial Scholarship announced on March 24, 2023, commemorates the birth anniversary of the school's Founder Principal, Ms. Satya Kamrah. Under the Scholarship policy, fifteen students will be granted the coveted Satya Kamrah Memorial Scholarship for the year 2023-2024. The scholarships will be awarded on Merit-cum-Means basis covering the Scholar's academic and co-scholastic excellence. An important consideration will be the student's ability to demonstrate an attitude that reflects the KIIT way of life.

The students of KIIT World School and its feeder school, Happy Hours School are eligible to participate in the programme, including students having taken admission in the academic year 2023-2024. Students will require a minimum grade to nominate themselves. Shortlisted students will then be invited for a personal interaction. Students may contact the Scholarship Help Desk on +91 7290063404 for details.

## HEADLINES



#### KIIT World School, Delhi, celebrates Earth Week with great enthusiasm

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personal experiences of swyling sinup in collidiocol. He star have affects of climate change aff KIIT World School, Pitampura, announces launch of Satya Kamrah Memorial Scholarship Programme

KIIT World School, Pitampura, announced the launch of Satya Kamrah Memorial Scholarship Programme while commemorating the birth anniversary of its founder principal Satya Kamrah. Under the programme, 15 students will be granted the scholarship for the year 2023-24. The KIIT World scholar will epito-

mize the school's vision of a confident and connected young person with all the attributes for leadership in her/his chosen field. The scholarship will be awarded

The scholarship will be awarded on merit-cum-means basis, covering the scholar's academic and co-scholastic excellence. An important consideration will be the student's ability to demonstrate an attitude that reflects the KIIT way of life. KIIT encourages students to develop values enshrined in its philosophy, including a profound curiosity and deep engagement with the global society by connecting the students to global and local communities.

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Images courtesy: KIIT World School, Delhi

#### Admissions 2023-2024

Admissions are in full swing for Happy Hours School (feeder to KIIT World School) up to Grade V. Students may meet the Admissions team during working hours or call +91 729006404/ +91 729006406 with queries.





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