The Memory Lives On......

TRIBUTE TO A NOBLE SOUL

We solemnly remember Late Mrs. Rajeshwari Paul, wife of Late Dr. Stya Paul, Founder Chairman, Apeejay Education Society, who found eternal peace on May 12, 2012. Mrs Rajeshwari Paul was a very pure hearted, caring, kind and generous lady who always showered those she met, with love and blessings.

The best way to pay tribute to such a noble soul would be to imbibe all the human values that she cherished all her life and try and spread happiness and love in this world by being good to others.

CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE

Having completed 25 glorious years of excellence in education, it was only apt for all of us to start the year by invoking the blessings of the Almighty. A special ‘Havan’ was organized in school on April 4, 2012 to begin the silver jubilee celebrations. The occasion was graced by Mrs. Sushma Berlia, President, Apeejay Education Society; Mr. Nishant Berlia, Joint Secretary, Apeejay Education Society; Mrs. Nisha Berlia, Member, Apeejay Education Society; Mr. V.S. Garg, Education Advisor, Apeejay Education Society; Executive members of the Parent body; Principal, Mrs. Anita Paul; staff and students of the school. This was followed by a special presentation in the school auditorium and unveiling of the silver jubilee logo.

Sharing her thoughts and beliefs on this occasion, Mrs. Berlia mentioned that this year should be celebrated as a year of introspection to actualize the deepest potential of everyone in the school. She also mentioned that the pursuit of excellence would be the greatest tribute to late Dr. Stya Paul, Founder Chairman, Apeejay Education Society. She thanked all the stakeholders for working towards his vision and helping in making it a reality. She concluded her speech by exalting the efforts of the school and motivated everyone to work towards scaling new heights. She concluded her address with one of her favourite inspirational quote............अपने देखने हैं गौरे आपके का अंकला तो आपका जी करो और ऊपर उंच जाए।
Our Young Achievers Are Scaling New Heights

Success is the result of small efforts, repeated day in day out. Our young achievers worked hard to turn their dreams into reality. Their laudable performance in the board exams was the result of their preparation and strong determination.

ALL INDIA SENIOR SCHOOL CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION -2012

SCIENCE STREAM
Out of 40 students, 29 scored 75% with a total of 138 distinctions.

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ALL INDIA SECONDARY SCHOOL EXAMINATION 2012

Three students scored a perfect Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of 10.

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These achievers of our school once again proved to the world that one can achieve great results through simple means and sincere efforts.

*Have faith in how far you can go* - Dale Carnegie
APEEEJAY STYA UNIVERSITY WINS “BEST INNOVATION BY PRIVATE UNIVERSITY” AWARD AT WORLD EDUCATION SUMMIT 2012

Apeejay Stya University (ASU) - India’s first Liberal Arts & Meta University - has been conferred the “Best Innovation by Private University” award in the category of “Higher Education Institutes” (HEIs) at the World Education Summit 2012. The award was presented at a glittering ceremony held at Hotel Le Meridien, New Delhi as part of the two-day World Education Summit 2012 attended by leading education leaders and policy-makers from across the globe.

Speaking on the achievement, Mrs. Sushma Berlia, ASU Chancellor & President, Apeejay Stya & Svran Group, said, “The award is a testimony to Apeejay’s 45+ years of commitment to education and its long-term vision of producing renaissance men and women who would be the thought leaders of tomorrow. The university was the culmination of the long-standing dream of our late Founder Chancellor Dr. Stya Paul, to establish a seat of global learning that would bring about transformation of society through value-based education, man-making and nation-building. This award will further encourage us in our endeavour to deliver quality education in sync with India’s emergence as a knowledge superpower.”

ASU endeavours to enhance students’ analytical skills by including research from the very first year at the Bachelors level, supported by state-of-the-art infrastructure. Unlike most universities, ASU allows its students to choose their fields of study, customise their schedule and alter their programmes right up to the later semesters, based on their individual interests. Each course is carefully selected and vetted, and is further revisited regularly in sync with the changing market dynamics, with ASU’s “Mark to Market” approach.

MESMERISING GOTIPUA DANCERS

The students of Classes VI to XI, as part of the cultural enrichment initiative of the school, witnessed a rare and unique dance performance by the Gotipua dancers. This dance form is an old style of dance presentation of the present day Odissi dance form. The dance was presented by pre-adolescent boys called ‘Gotipuas’ who dressed up as girls and presented the dance on Vaishnabi songs invoking ‘Lord Jagannath’s ‘blessings. The recital included ‘Vandana’ and ‘Abhinaya’.

The audience was mesmerized by ‘Bandhana Nrutya’, a presentation where the ‘Gotipuas’ dance and compose themselves into different acrobatic yogic postures creating images of ‘Goddess Radha’ and ‘Lord Krishna’. The dancers were accompanied by artists who played live music using traditional instruments including mridula, gini, harmonium, violin and flute.
FACE TO FAITH VIDEO CONFERENCE

An introductory video conference was conducted with Commonweal School, London on April 17, 2012. The students in the age group of 12 to 13 years participated in this conference. The participants introduced themselves and then interacted and discussed about their schools, country and various important festivals celebrated in India and United Kingdom. The students of our school also presented a special song titled ‘Respect’ for their friends in London.

The second session of video conference was conducted on May 10, 2012. The theme for this session was 'Faith and Religious Freedom'. The students of the two schools presented songs for the members of their partner school. This was followed by a discussion on 'Faith and Religion'.

CHUNAUTI 2012 - INTER SCHOOL CULTURAL FESTIVAL

The Silver Jubilee year interschool cultural festival 'Chunauti 2012' was held in the school on April 26 and April 27, 2012. Fifteen competitions designed specially for this festival caught the imagination and creativity of the participants from other schools. The school set a new record for itself by hosting 41 prestigious schools from Delhi and the National Capital Region this year.

Shrimati Shobha Broota, an internationally acclaimed artist of fine art, was the Chief Guest at the inaugural function. During her address, she encouraged the students to follow their dreams with passion. The festival saw eminent judges from the field of music, dance, art, craft, gastronomy, science, ICT, history and languages adjudging the competitions with professionalism and patience. It was a delight to see the students approaching the competitions with creativity and enthusiasm. The 'Ustad Mushkat Ali Khan' rolling trophy for overall excellence in music and dance went to St. George's School, Alaknanda. They were also the proud recipients of the overall Chunauti 2012 trophy.

THE BUDDING ARTISTS

A three day art extravaganza ‘Discover the hidden artists’ was organized by 'Empowerment Art Gallery' at the pristine environs of Jim Corbett National park in the month of April. Twelve students from our school participated in this innovative and unique experience set to unravel the budding artists among these young students. This three day event saw a number of students from various schools across Delhi share common platform. Day one saw the students learning and understanding finer nuances of photography followed by hands on experience of clicking photographs in a nearby village. Day two was action packed as the children drew and painted on canvas after they had learnt the finer aspects of painting with water colour.

The children exhibited their work in an exhibition organized in the evening at the venue. The trip culminated with a jungle safari on the last day. The students really enjoyed their visit to Jim Corbett National Park.

"The most important step towards success is the feeling that we can succeed." - Nelson Boswell
WORKSHOPS FOR PREPARING THE STUDENTS FOR THE FUTURE

The training imparted during a workshop helps in making the students aware of the new developments in the field of education, enhancing various life skills and developing their overall personality. Learning from the rich experiences of the resource persons helps in making students more proficient.

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| 2.    | 07.05.12 | Classes VI – XII | Safe Online Communication | Dr. Anjali Saxena  
Consultant, Max Hospital, Saket |
| 3.    | 09.05.12 | Class X     | A New Beginning- A Positive Mindset | Ms. Poornima  
One World One Academy |

BOOK BUDDIES

The book club of the school was inaugurated on Wednesday, May 9, 2012 by Ms. Devika Rangachari, an award winning children’s book author. The student members of this club were from classes IV to XII. Three books were unveiled and the students were informed about the rules of the book club. The students were told to read these books during the summer vacation. The books were as follows: The Charlie and the Chocolate Factory (Classes IV – V), ‘Around the World in Eighty Days’ (Classes VI – VIII) and ‘A Thousand Splendid Suns’ (Classes IX – XII). The book reading session for each of the three books was done by the teachers to initiate the students. The Book Buddies will meet once a month for a group discussion.

A DREAM COME TRUE

A group of twenty students from classes VIII to XI visited Orlando, U.S.A to attend NASA’s Amateur Explorer Programme in June 2012. The group was escorted by the school Principal, Ms. Anita Paul and Primary Incharge, Ms. Shalini Tandon. The group spent three action packed days at Kennedy Space Centre, Orlando. The members of the group were involved in robot designing, rocket designing and rocket launch competition. The group members also explored NASA’s launch headquarters situated near Cape Canaveral, experienced the excitement of a shuttle launch, visited the IMAX theatre and watched a movie titled ‘Hubble’. The students watched presentations and had lunch with astronaut, J. O. Creighton. The group also visited ‘Sea World’. Watching the movie ‘Turtle Trek’ in 360 degree dome theatre, flying in ‘Manta’, the only flying roller coaster in the world and the ride in ‘Atlantis’ which had a fifty feet fall, made all the group members conquer their fears. Watching the shows ‘Blue Horizon’ and ‘One Ocean’ left them spellbound. A visit to ‘The Magical Kingdom’ at Disney World and ‘The Islands of Adventure’ made everyone revisit their childhood. A walk in the ‘Jurassic Park’ and taking the ‘Forbidden Journey’ of Harry Potter were experiences of a life time. The students loved and enjoyed every moment spent in Orlando and will always cherish the memories they created there.
The Leaders of Today, The Architects of Tomorrow
The members of the Prefectorial Board were nominated and elected by the students and staff members of the school. The students who won the elections were then interviewed by the Prefectorial Board Selection Committee. The Selection Committee appointed twenty two Junior prefects and thirty eight senior prefects in the Prefectorial Board for the academic year 2012-2013. The new prefects were sworn into the Prefectorial Board during the investiture ceremony held in the school on Saturday, May 5, 2012. The office bearers took a pledge that day to carry out their responsibilities with diligence. The Chief Guest, Ms. Sharda Subramaniam, Joint Secretary, Rajya Sabha, addressed the newly appointed prefectorial board members. She blessed each one of them and implored them to draw out their strengths, work together as a team and grow as responsible and sensitive architects of tomorrow.

MEMBERS OF THE PREFECTORIAL BOARD 2012-13

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BUILDING BRIDGES - A VISIT BY UK DELEGATION
A fifteen member U.K. delegation visited the school on April 10, 2012. The Principal, Ms. Anita Paul, gave a presentation on ‘Best and Innovative Practices in The School’. The students of the primary wing presented a specially prepared cultural programme for the guests. The delegates later took a round of the school and observed teachers in junior and middle classes. They also met and interacted with the members of the junior activity clubs and appreciated the work done by the students.

"Vision is the art of seeing the Invisible." – Jonathan Swift
EXCEPTIONAL LEARNING EXPERIENCE

A four day trip to Shimla and Shogi was organized for the senior students during the summer break. The students participated in thrilling adventure activities like rope climbing, rope bridge and net climbing. Treks around the hills enthralled the students immensely.

Music and bonfire at night was an added bonus for the enthusiastic students. The most exhilarating experience was a stop over at the world’s highest cricket ground at Chail.

Another trip was organized for the students of classes IV to VI. The students visited Mussorie and Dehradun in May 2012. The high point of the trip was visit to Gun Hill, Kempty Fall, Camel Back Road at Mussorie and Forest Research Institute at Dehradun. The trip provided a beautiful learning experience for everyone as the group members learnt to take care of themselves, their belongings and displayed a perfect example of a good team.

VISIT TO THE WORLD OF BOOKS

To familiarize the students with the world of books and to develop reading skills in them, a book week was organized in the school during the month of May. Various activities were organized for students of classes I to XII. The activities included an exhibition of a variety of books by different authors, visit to the British Council Library, a workshop on Vedas and Upanishads and an inter house quiz. The students were encouraged to read storybooks and share reviews during the week.

PRE-PRIMARY APPRECIATION DAY

The appreciation days for the Nursery and Kindergarten students were held on March 3, 2012 and March 10, 2012 respectively. The theme of the shows was ‘Magical Nature’. Various seasons and the importance of maintaining the ecological balance was beautifully depicted through the medium of drama, dance and songs. There was hundred percent participation of the students. Ms. Nupur Awasthi Gaur, writer of children’s books and Dr. Rekha Sharma Sen, Professor, Centre for Early Childhood Development and Research, Jamia Millia Islamia were the special guests. Every child was appreciated for achieving specific scholastic and co-scholastic milestones.

"The best way to destroy an enemy is to make him your friend." - M.K. Gandhi
PRIMARY ANNUAL APPRECIATION DAY
The students of the primary wing were appreciated for their scholastic and co-scholastic achievements during a special programme organized in the school on March 16, 2012. Shri. Dinesh Jain and Shri Surinder Ahuja, the grandparents of two students studying in the primary wing, were specially invited to give away the various prizes during the function. The students of class III-A presented a cultural programme on the theme “Togetherness” on this occasion.

ABHINANDAN OF OUR LITTLE ONES
A seven day Orientation Programme was conducted for the nursery students. The idea behind the programme was to familiarize the little ones with the school setup and to enable them to feel comfortable with their new teachers and friends. The week long programme included a puppet show, film show, fun rides and storytelling sessions.

ORIENTATION PROGRAMME
An orientation programme was conducted on March 24, 2012 for the students and parents of class X in the school. This programme was primarily to acquaint the students with the subject options available and provide career guidance and counseling. The school Principal, Mrs. Anita Paul, in her interaction with the parents reiterated that it was the duty of the parents to ensure that a healthy environment be provided at home to make them confident and responsible individuals. She urged them to be vigilant about their wards. The resource person of the day, Mr. Bhavneesh Suryakant, from ‘My Career My Success’, put forward to the parents that every child has a different domain and that it was imperative for a student to chart a career path based on the area of interest, aptitude, personality and skills in order to be successful in life. He stated that the right subject choice will ensure that the educational journey is passionate, interesting and successful. The interaction was followed by a question and answer session.

DESIGN AND INNOVATION WORKSHOP
The MIT Media Lab joined hands with the Apeejay Stya University to host the Design and Innovation workshop from March 26 - 30, 2012 at Apeejay School, Sheikh Sarai, New Delhi. Academic Coordinator of our school, Ms. Sangeeta Arora, attended this workshop which engaged the participants in ideation, design and implementation of prototypes with MIT Media Lab and local mentors. The workshop culminated in a plenary conference and exhibition that was open to visitors from different schools, academia, industry leaders and the press.

Patron: Ms Anita Paul
Editor: Ms Anju Puri

“Life isn’t about finding yourself. Life is about creating yourself.” - George Bernard Shaw