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## HAPPY NEW YEAR



Dear Parents

At the outset, I would like to say that we are fortunate to have such wonderful parents of students of School Of India. Your motivation is our inspiration. Thank you for being so supportive of all our endeavours.

Our Annual Sports Meet – KREEDOTSAV 2016 was a grand success, all credits to our superb students, right from Nursery to Class VIII. I would like to reiterate the proverb, “All work and no Play makes Jack a Dull boy”. Academic learning and sports complement each other. The qualities of the leadership, sharing, team spirit and tolerance are learnt from sports alone.

Sports not only teach the students to build physical stamina, but also the habit of obedience, discipline, the determination to win and willpower. A sound mind resides only in a sound body. A healthy and strong body is not possible without sports and physical activities.

A good sportsman always learns to obey the rules of the games and the commands of his superiors. Sports train the students to face defeat with a smile and maintain humility even in victory. It is the healthiest means of refreshment and recreation. I request all the parents to urge their wards to spend at least two hours every day to pursue any sport or game involving physical activity.

The perception of the Indian society towards sports is changing. Sporting is no longer an avenue for non-achievers in academics. It is a known fact that nowadays there are leagues for various sports like cricket, football, hockey and kabaddi in India. Sports is considered an important source of livelihood in the economy worldwide.

The sporting facilities that we have at School Of India like the cricket pitch and nets, the football ground, indoor badminton court, an eight lane swimming pool, indoor games like table tennis are just the beginning of a fully-fledged sporting school,

“Children need the freedom  
to appreciate the infinite resources  
of their hands,  
their eyes  
and their ears,  
the resources of forms,  
materials,  
sounds and colours.”

Loris Malaguzzi

one of the best of its kind in Bangalore.

## OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

Going to the zoo was an outdoor adventure that enhanced classroom learning of UKG students. The students looked at different animals and they discussed about the different animal colours, size, the sound it made and what it ate. They enjoyed watching the sleeping bears, peacock, fox and the tigers playing.



The first-hand experience that the children of NUR got by visiting the vegetable shop, the super market and the bakery enhanced their knowledge for the theme '**Food We Eat**'. While exploring the shops, children got to use their 5 senses.

## OUR PROUD MOMENTS

### Times NIE Challenge Test

Times NIE had conducted the '**Aptitude Challenge Test**' for classes VI, VII and VIII. Thirty students had qualified for the city round - 2<sup>nd</sup> level, conducted at Kanteerava Indoor Stadium. **Bineesh Suresh of class VII was the school topper** from the preliminary round. He was awarded with a Tab and a certificate.



### Interschool Music Competition

Students of SOI took part in the Interschool Music Competition which was held at DPS, Bangalore East. **School Of India won the 3rd Place** in the Juniors Category for Indian folk song and English western singing.

Students of grade I to V from School of India went to Greenwood High, Bannergatta Road for "One stop" English competition where more than 15 schools participated.

Children performed very enthusiastically in different categories like: Readthon, Pictionary, JAM (just a minute), Hot seat, Treasure hunt and enjoyed their different levels. **Sidhharth Saini of 1st standard** won the first runner up prize in **Readthon**. It was fun and memorable experience for our students.



Students of class IV-B were taken to DPS Bangalore East, for a book release - 'Secrets of Zynpagua' authored by Ms. Ilika Ranjan. The book was released by Ms. Manila Carvalho, the Principal. The students enjoyed the musical narration of the story by Ms. Jayashree and team from 'Story Ghar'.



It was followed by an inter-school declamation competition on the topic 'India in 2050' where students from many schools such as School of India, DPS - East, South and Electronic City and Sandeepani School of Excellence participated . Dhruv Vishwanathan of class VIII - B of School of India bagged the second prize, winning a trophy and the book 'Secrets of Zynpagua'.

**National Mathematics Day** SOI celebrated the birth anniversary of great Indian Mathematician, **Srinivasa Ramanujan** by conducting the Mathematics exhibition. 22<sup>nd</sup> December is observed as **National Mathematics Day**. Mathematics express itself everywhere, in almost every fact of life - in nature, all around us and in the technologies. It is the language of science and engineering describing our understanding of all that we observe. Students of classes III to VIII enthusiastically explored the many wonders and uses of maths in our lives to create interesting models. The layout showing the effect of scale and illusion, Pascal's triangle, floating magnets in water, Pentablocks, shapes with tangrams, fun with fraction and ratio models were the highlight of the exhibition among many others.



## KREEDOTSAV 2016-17

Kreedotsav, the annual sports meet of School Of India was celebrated on 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2016. It was a day filled with a lot of action and closely contested battles across a gamut of sports. The sports meet saw some serious contention for victory. The Chief Guest Mr.Mansoor Ali Khan, Founder School Of India made an insightful point when he quipped that sports should not end with the Sports Day, and that it's the culture of Sports and Physical Fitness that we should look to inculcate. The Day witnessed large amount of participation from the students alike with everyone on the field with the zeal to emerge victorious. The Day provided the students with a welcome relief from the strenuous academic schedule. The unwavering spirit and enthusiasm that is so uniquely characteristic of School Of India was what made the day sportingly amazing.



I take this opportunity to wish all the parents and well-wishers a very Happy New Year 2017!

With warm regards  
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 School Of India