



# KSHITIZ



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Dear Parents, Students & Well Wishers,

**"Strength does not come from Winning, your Struggles develop your Strength. When you go through Hardships and decide not to Surrender, That is strength" .....Mahatma Gandhi**



The school is progressing by leaps and bounds in all spheres of educational growth and with this motive only, we try to be inventive and strive for improvement.

Today's classrooms require teachers to educate students varying in culture, language, abilities and many other characteristics.

To meet this challenge, we at Birla Shishu Vihar, Pilani employ not only theoretically sound but also experimental and 'hands on' methodology.

Teachers develop a class room culture where all students regardless of their cultural & linguistic back ground are welcomed, supported and provided with the best opportunity to learn.

This facilitates and supports the achievement of all students. In each class room, effective teaching and learning occurs in a learner-centered context, whereby the strengths that students brings to school are identified, nurtured and utilized to promote students achievements.

We encourage students to become active learners who regulate their own learning through reflection and evaluation.

Students who are actively engaged in their learning ask questions rather than accepting information uncritically. Thus we structure a classroom environment conducive to inquiry based learning.

A major goal of teaching is to help students become independent thinkers who can analyse & synthesise information and to view situations from multiple perspectives. When teachers provide opportunities for students to engage in this kind of reasoning, students learn how to think "Outside the Box".

In coming years we aim to make the children's first experience of school a happy, exciting and encouraging one so as to develop their confidence, curiosity and passion for learning. We want pupils not only to thrive on academic challenges, but also to relish on other sphere of life.

Current session initiatives are –

- International Benchmark test (IBT) by Australian Council of Educational Research.
- Pinnacle- A Window to World of Science
- Classes on Vedic Mathematics and communication in English
- Chanting of Bhagvat Geeta shaloka in assembly
- Vocational-Training on Web Designing and Photo Shop
- Screening of educational Movies
- Community Service by Students

We aspire to achieve a great deal in every aspect of school activities and your support is the most dependable pillar of our strength.

Wishing each one of you a very happy, prosperous and peaceful year ahead.....

Pavan Vashishtha  
Principal



## Activities at a Glance

### Special Morning Assembly

PRAYER is the best way to start a day. Every Tuesday & Thursday morning, special assembly is held for primary & pre-primary wing of the school. Celebrations of special days like Earth Day, Literacy Day, Science Week Celebration etc. are integral part of it.

It is a class wise & theme based activity. The assembly themes are selected with a purpose to inculcate moral values amongst the students. It begins with a thought followed by story & topic on punctuality, loyalty, honesty etc.; sharing science and technology based amazing facts; poem recitation. The activity concludes with the choir group song presentation. Such activities help students to imbibe the moral values inherent in the themes. Participating in these activities make students grow more confident.



### Mom, Sweet Mom

#### Bandanwar Making Competition & Christmas Craft

Class I Jr. involved parents in the competition that was held in the month of November. It was designed to create an aura of togetherness on the occasion of Diwali as mother & child took pride to be the part of this kind of competition where they found a valuable expression for their creativity.

Childhood has no necessary connection with age- the saying came true when school hosted parent-child activity on 12 December 2015. On this roller-coaster-joy ride of fun and frill, the enthusiastic elders showcased their hidden talent by creating wonderful craft-work with the support of their wards. Their childlike fervor, thrill and amusement added colours to the activity and made them retrieve their long lost treasure- the childhood.



### Visit to the Book fair



The book fair was held in our school by Scholastic Publications. The pre-primary kids participated enthusiastically and were jostling for a dekko at the attractive book display. It was a treat to watch their fondness for the books.

### Run for Fun

It was an exciting day for the Pre Primary kids who participated in an array of fun filled races on December 4, 2015 to mark the Sports Day celebrations. The little ones of the Pre Primary won the hearts of the audience by popping the balloons, making a couple and passing the hurdles. The cheers and applause had perfectly set the tone of the day. The race among the teachers added to the enjoyment. The school Principal, Mr. Pavan Vashishtha congratulated the staff and the students for putting up the entertaining show. The celebration ended with distribution of prizes to the winners.



## Christmas merriment

It was jingle all the way on December 23, 2015 as pre-primary kids put up a fantastic show. I Jr. kids turned into Christmas trees as they personified nutty buddies; I Sr. showcased a skit "Christmas Miracles" extolling the virtues of selflessness. Class-II youngsters sang a melodious Christmas carol "Joy to the world" welcoming baby Jesus into the world. All these performances captivated the audience and were applauded by one and all.



## Saturday bustle



### Helper's Day - celebrated on 12th December, 2015

Students of class I Jr. celebrated Helper's Day by dressing up as their favourite community helper and spoke a few lines on the helper's role in our life. Teachers educated children about the role helper's play in our life and in ways they help us. This turned out an innovative way to sensitize the kids about our community helpers. Children enjoyed this activity a lot. Such activities also help them build up their knowledge, improve speaking skills, and enhance confidence level.

## Fruit Chaat Party

The shine and shades captivated the eyes, the sweet aromas tempted the senses and the juicy bites tickled the taste buds - all that happened on the most mouth watering event of the school: "The Fruit Chaat Party". All young foodies from class I Jr. to II, most enthusiastically participated in the event. They brought a variety of fruits, peeled and sliced them with the help of their teachers, served them to all their teachers and friends and savoured them to their delight. What other occasion can be so befitting to teach the young minds the sense of serving and sharing, feel relishing and rejuvenating and being hale and hearty. This special Saturday activity not only promoted healthy eating habits but also taught young ones to learn to be the perfect host. Quite a fruitful activity indeed!



## Math Shoppe

Class-II kids went on a buying-selling spree to practise their new learnt money math skills. The class turned into a virtual market place where the children set up their own toy shops, posed as customers with their own hand-made money and ended up buying or selling their wares and even made some profit! They enjoyed it thoroughly as they dealt with money for the first time in real life situation





## Math Lab Activity

To make the students understand the concept in a better way we teach them by doing hands on activity in fun way in math's lab as well as in class also. A close interaction held with students to understand the mathematical concepts in a better manner with the help of interactive activities. After every chapter teacher covers Math Lab activity given in their course book by arranging activity material in advance. Students do these activities individually and also in groups which help them to share creative ideas.

This year Kitscon math lab workbook and related kits have also introduced in Mathematics Lab. Teachers and students are actively participating in solving mathematics using these kits like in an attempt to understand the prime factorization we used an interactive 'Peg Board'. Teacher relates their ongoing course book with math lab. Pictorial representation of mathematics helped them to understand the concepts in a better manner.



## Skill Development Programme

### EMPOWERING THE NATION'S YOUTH.....

Exploring novel frontiers and innovating with avant-garde methods of teaching & learning. The school Principal, Mr. Pavan Vashishtha launched a series of activities under the aegis of Skill Development Programme. The programme included the launch of Communication in English classes conducted by the expert faculty of Language Department BITS, Pilani. The sessions include modules on Face to face interaction, the art of public speaking, Making presentations and Vocabulary Building. The school has also initiated the screening of Educational Movies covering a wide range from every genre on second Saturday of the month. Conforming to the fact that Vedic Mathematics plays a vital role in everyday life, Extra classes are being held in the school on weekly basis. To help students develop civic and social responsibility skills and become more aware of their community needs the Principal initiated a step and identified a Senior Secondary Government School in the city and offered to render services to it. The students visit the school every Saturday and conduct classes creating awareness on issues of social relevance, hygiene and matters of general public concern.

In furtherance to the initiatives taken by the Principal, the launch of the "Skill Development Programme" has won accolades from all corners!

### Communicative English

In an endeavour to make English, essentially our campus language and to make our students confident speakers of English, one hour per week has been allotted for English conversation to every class in the primary wing. In our consistent efforts to develop their skill of listening and speaking, the students are motivated to practice role play for communication, command, and confidence. Keeping in mind that clarity & intelligibility are two major dimensions of proper pronunciation, they are being trained in the use of phonetics. Students are also given thorough practice in asking variety of questions (personal, comprehension, grammar & general questions). Moreover, the students get a lot of experience to hone their speaking skills through a variety of presentations like- presenting skits, giving talks, book reviews etc. in the morning assembly, which is a regular feature of the school. No doubt, it's encouraging results like-Increased willingness on the part of the students to communicate with teachers, friends and strangers, have been remarkably noticed.



## Art & Craft Exhibition

The first of its kind craft exhibition was held on 6th November 2015, in the school premises. The exhibition was inaugurated by the Director BET Maj. Gen. S.S. Nair AVSM (Retd.). Students from class III to VIII enthusiastically took part in it. Visitors and parents who came to the exhibition were highly impressed by the efforts of students. It was appreciated by one & all.



## Science Week Celebration

The school celebrated Science Week from 12 – 17 October, 2015. Throughout the week, different events such as preparation and demonstration of scientific models, poster competition, rangoli making competition, quiz competition, speech on a scientific event or invention science skit etc. were the main attractions of it. Deep interest had been shown by the students in the science week celebration. The celebration had become successful as a result of active involvement and collection team work of all the staff members. The science week has given ample opportunities to our young scientists to exhibit their talents and enhance knowledge of others.



## The Computers are good tools for learning

Computer education provides a free environment for learning.

Computer classes help a lot as the students of Primary wing get benefitted not only through computer books but also through practical sessions conducted in computer lab.

The information and knowledge that Students have gained has made them confident enough to learn the skills like making presentations through PowerPoint and draw & colour beautifully using Tux Paint.



## “Karate Classes”

School participated in 22nd State Taekwondo Championship held on 01.11.2015 at Aryan Mahila Mahavidhyalya Ranoli, Sikar and clinched the First - Position and the Winner’s Trophy by trailing behind 22 participating schools. Harshita Jangid was adjudged the Best Fighter and was rewarded with a cash prize of Rs. 1500/- and a Gold Medal. Harshita Jangid along with Adit Pradhan was also selected for the National Level Championship which will be held at Mumbai. Karate Coach Mr. Rakesh was also honoured with a trophy. It was really a proud moment for the school. The following list is showing the achievements of our young champions:

S. No.	Name of Student	Class & Section	Achievement
1.	Harshita Jangid	VII B	Gold Medal + Rs. 1500/-
2.	Adit Pradhan	V B	Gold Medal
3.	Chahat	VII B	Gold Medal
4.	Samridhi	V B	Gold Medal
5.	Mohit	V C	Gold Medal
6.	Mayank	V C	Gold Medal
7.	Jyoti	VII B	Gold Medal
8.	Atharv	VII A	Gold Medal
9.	Ishu	V B	Gold Medal
10.	Yogesh	V B	Gold Medal
11.	Jaya	V B	Gold Medal
12.	Kavish	IV A	Gold Medal
13.	Sanchit	VI A	Gold Medal



## LET'S APPRECIATE THESE YOUNG ACHIEVERS

### Result of Various Competitions

#### CALLIGRAPHY

##### English

S. No.	Name	Class	Position
1.	Divyanshi	IV-C	1st
2.	Kaushal	IV-B	2nd
3.	Mamta	IV-A	3rd

##### Hindi

S. No.	Name	Class	Position
1.	Agnibh	IV-A	1st
2.	Palak	IV-B	2nd
3.	Divyangi	IV-A	3rd

S. No.	Name	Class	Position
1.	Charu	V-B	1st
2.	Samridhi	V-B	2nd
3.	Mayank	V-C	3rd

S. No.	Name	Class	Position
1.	Samridhi	V-B	1st
2.	Muskan	V-A	2nd
3.	Jiya	V-A	3rd

#### Poem Recitation

##### English

S. No.	Name	Class	Position
1.	Sartaj	III C	1st
2.	Akansha	III B	2nd
3.	Shamyata	III B	3rd
4.	Bhavya	III A	Consolation

##### Hindi

S. No.	Name	Class	Position
1.	Yashvi	III B	1st
2.	Manasvi	III B	2nd
3.	Sartaj	III C	3rd

S. No.	Name	Class	Position
1.	Himani	IV C	1st
2.	Anushka	IV C	2nd
3.	Khushi	IV B	3rd

S. No.	Name	Class	Position
1.	Himani	IV C	1st
2.	Kavish	IV A	2nd
3.	Aryan Jakhar	IV B	3rd

S. No.	Name	Class	Position
1.	Muskan	V A	1st
2.	Prithviraj	V C	2nd
3.	Manan	V C	3rd
4.	Charu	V B	3rd

S. No.	Name	Class	Position
1.	Muskan	V A	1st
2.	Sunanda	V B	2nd
3.	Ranya	VC	3rd
4.	Prashansa	V C	3rd

## SPRINKLING THE COLOURS OF “NAVARASA”

October 29, 2015 the winter was just setting in and it was time of the year again when Birla Shishu Vihar came alive with a string of musical performances on the occasion of school Annual Function “Navarasa” – The Besiege.

The Chief Guest for the ceremony was Mr. G. S. Madhav Rao, the CEO of Synergy School Systems, Maj. Gen. S.S. Nair, AVSM (Retd.), Director BET among other guests presided over the function. The ceremonial lamp was lit by the Chief Guest, school Principal Mr. Pavan Vashishtha & other dignitaries.

The programme commenced with a word of prayer led by the school Principal. It was followed by welcome speech by the head girl of the school, Miss Laveena Aggarwal. Then the school choir wove a rich tapestry of music with their energetic and rhythmic rendition. The show moved further with an invocation featuring a synthesis of Bharatnatyam and other dance forms devoted to Lord Ganesha. This was followed by a one-act English play – “A Christmas Carol”. The actors won accolades for their powerful dialogue delivery, confidence and artistic skills.

The programme that stole the show was a musical play – “Abhigyan Shakuntalam” which brought to fore the life and ideology of King Dushayanta and Shakuntala the protagonist of the play.

The achievements of the meritorious students were also felicitated on the occasion. The Director, Birla Education Trust specially congratulated the school Principal and his team for taking the initiative of staging one act plays in Birla schools of Pilani. The Chief Guest congratulated the prize winners and the young artists for their remarkable achievements. He made a special mention about the growth and progress that the school has shown during such a short span and hoped that this success would lead to greater accomplishments in the years to come. The programme was culminated with a vote of thanks by school head boy Master Ankit Sheoran.

Thus, the evening at Birla Shishu Vihar proved to be a celebration of “Navarasa” by bringing out a variety of cultural hues!

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Editor





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