

**FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK**

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Dear Parents

- It has been a fruitful academic year at NPSI for both students and teachers alike. We at NPSI have strived to boost the confidence of our students through various activities both co-curricular and extracurricular.
- Personality development, being one of our key areas of focus along with academics, we have given our students scope to explore their talent in the field of music, dance, theatre, yoga, reading, art, craft and sports.
- Throughout the academic year, students have participated in several interschool competitions like shloka recital, dance, singing, quiz and sports. The Olympiads and young scientists' competitions brought in accolades too.
- Apart from these competitions, inter-house and inter-class competitions at school in various areas right from recitation to slogan writing and street play, gave a great boost to the morale and confidence of the students.
- NPSI had 4 major events to expose the students to stage performance and enhance confidence-“Ninaad” (the musical journey), “Vithaan” (the cultural extravaganza), “Anokha” (the unique show of talent by pre-primary), the Young Entrepreneurship Programme (for grades 6, 7 and 8), “Abracadabra” (class presentations by the pre primary) and Graduation Day for our KG 2 students. Each of these events aimed at bringing to the forefront every single student giving them a platform to explore and showcase their talents.
- The trip to TISB (The International School, Bangalore) by the sportsmen and women of grades 5, 6, 7 and 8 was a trip to remember. Every match played at TISB took these students closer to professional level competitions and a true check of their sporting skills and spirit. They all came back more confident and ready to take on tougher challenges!
- Along with the host of co-curricular activities available to our students, extracurricular activities (ECAs) are an extra exposure for students who are genuinely interested in exploring further into their talents. However, we have already mentioned time and again that transport facilities will not be given for ECAs. So, students who can make arrangements to be picked up by parents on these days may make use of these extra activities.

- We have noticed that ALL our students have learnt to conduct themselves professionally, walk and speak with confidence and have shown marked improvement in the area of academics after their first year at NPSI, Mysore. , as teachers, are proud to see this transformation in our students. Of course, we congratulate the parents for offering their cooperation and walking hand in hand with us to make this possible.
- Despite the host of co-curricular activities available to our students at NPSI, we note with regret that some parents are still dissatisfied and have expressed displeasure at the non-availability of transport for ECAs. We would like to remind such parents that the ECAs are only a drop compared to the ocean of co-curricular activities and competitions available to the students on a daily basis.
- NPSI, Mysore is also proud that our senior most batch (grade 8) will be stepping into grade 9 and will gear up to take on the board exams. We are also happy to announce the beginning of our first batch of class 11 with two streams of study – Science and Commerce.
- Close on the heels of NPSI, beginning in Mysore, we also are proud to announce the opening of our 11<sup>th</sup> branch at Perumbakam, Chennai. Yet another feather in the cap of NPS!
- We urge parents to the visit the school website periodically in order to see the weekly updates, be it photos, events, exam schedules or important notices.
- We are open to feedback and suggestions from parents and respond to all mails and phone calls. We have also implemented certain suggestions (within the framework of the school policies) by parents which we found were for the benefit of our students and add to the progress of the school.
- In all, year 2013-14 has been one of satisfying endeavours by the students and teachers. We will continue to strive to develop positive personality traits, boost confidence levels and make our students one of the finest by far.
- **The school will remain closed from Tuesday, 1 April 2014 for summer vacations. Please file all circulars sent home so that they are available for ready reference.**

Thank you once again. We look forward to your continued cooperation every year.

Best wishes

Sincerely yours

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