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RENDZVOUS WITH YOUNGISTAAN: EXPLORING THE GENIUS WITHIN

Youngsters participated, explored and excelled at the ‘India Calling’ event and the CBSE North Zone II Badminton Tournament organized by the Manav Rachna International schools. Within a short time of only four years, the Manav Rachna International School at Gurgaon 46 sector has been able to make the ‘India calling’ event one of the most awaited and prestigious events for students from the NCR region. An event which aims to make youngsters participate, excel and explore a world of intelligent thinking – where issues of a growing nation like India come into the limelight.

Sports is a parallel medium of instruction at the Manav Rachna International Schools. The Vice President, Dr Amit Bhalla believes, “You must participate to win,” and emphasizes that the winning trait brings out the best in each participant, it teaches you qualities of team work, perseverance and perfection.

Under his leadership, academics and sports work analogous to each other and the CBSE North Zone II Badminton Tournament was a meeting point for youngsters from the northern region to show off their badminton sporting skills and communicate and mingle with students from different schools.

At the prize distribution ceremony of North Zone Badminton tournament
INDIA CALLING – A UNIQUE EVENT FOR YOUNGSTERS

Hosted by MRIS-46 Gurgaon, ‘India Calling’ is a unique event which has been calling high school students from schools spread across the NCR to come, participate and explore a world of intelligent thinking.

Manav Rachna International School Sector-46 Gurgoan declared the India Calling Conference for the session 2014-15 on 22 August, 2014, followed by a shining inaugural ceremony. The opening ceremony included a mystical dance performance by the students of senior classes. The occasion was graced by the Chief Guest Hon’ble Chief Patron of Manav Rachna Educational Institutions, Smt. Satya Bhalla, Vice President MREI Dr. Amit Bhalla, Mr. H.L. Dutt, Ex-Principal Mayo College, Ajmer, Mr.ting Bhalla, Mr. R.K. Bansal, Trustee Navuthan Educational Trust, Executive Director Mr. Sunny Bansal, Principal Mrs. Dhriti Malhotra and Director and Principals of other Manav Rachna Schools. In his address, Dr. Amit Bhalla focused on the vision and legacy of Manav Rachna Group. He acknowledged the ideology and the role played by the founder visionary of Manav Rachna, Dr. O.P. Bhalla in shaping the institution as one of the most reputed establishments in North India. President and Secretary General of the conference, Emaad Muzaffar in his address focused on the motive of India Calling.

CLOSING CEREMONY

The two day long 5th India Calling Conference hosted by Manav Rachna International School, Sector 46, Gurgoan, in which 25 schools across Delhi NCR and other states participated came to an end with a Gala Award Ceremony hosted at Leela Kempinski Hotel, Ambience Island, Gurgaon. Over a period of two days, student delegates participated in animated discussions over 3 simulations- Operation Blue Star, National Security Committee & Article 370 and passed resolutions at the end of the conference.

Shri Alok Mittal, IPS, Commissioner Police graced the Award Ceremony as the Chief Guest. Dr. Prashant Bhalla, President MREI and Dr. Amit Bhalla, Vice President MREI presided over the ceremony. The Award Ceremony began with a short cultural presentation which included a Ganesh Vandana, a soul touching sufi song and foot tapping salsa dance. The Chief Guest in his address congratulated MRIS 46 for their 5th edition of a novel conference which gave students a platform to air their views on burning issues and come up with solutions to them. He also motivated the students to keep their will power and willingness to carry on inspite of obstacles that might come their way. Dr. Prashant Bhalla, President MREI in his address to the young delegates spoke of the synergy of the youth of the country and motivated them to realize their immense capabilities and lead their nation to greater heights.

Awards in 3 categories were given to delegates in each simulation which included Principal Speaker Award, Best Research Award and Best Opponent Award. Rhea Srivastava and Arjun Chaudhary of Pathways World School and Shubhum of Suncity School were adjudged the Principal Speakers of their respective simulations. Natasha Lopez from Convent of Jesus & Mary School, Niwas Chadda from ITL School Dwarka and Kunal Kapur from Amity International School, Sector 43 were declared Best Researchers. Rupal Anand of Ryan International School Gurgoan, Bhavya Bhatia and Ishita Soni of DPS Sushant Lok bagged the Best Opponent Award. DPS Sushant Lok also bagged the best Participating School Award. All recipients were honoured with a trophy and a cash prize of Rs10, 000 each. All participating delegates too received memento of appreciation for their passionate contribution towards making the event a grand success. Few of the participating delegates congratulated MRIS for their novel initiative and appreciated the way the conference was conducted giving each delegate space to express themselves.

Emaad Muzaffar, General Secretary of the 5th India Calling Conference thanked the school management and the Principal Ms. Dhriti Malhotra for all their guidance and support. He also appreciated all the Executive Board Members and other members of the team for conducting and mediating a wonderful conference and concluding it with concrete resolutions.

The Award Ceremony was followed by a gala dinner and the school band entertained all guests with live performance.
THE VISION OF DR. O. P. BHALLA CARRIES ON...

September 16, 2014, was a solemn day, a year gone by since Founder Chancellor Dr. O.P. Bhalla left for his heavenly abode leaving the entire Manav Rachna family to grieve his loss. The day began with a havan which ushered in a somber mood with bhajans and kirtans adding to the pious surroundings of the early morning peace at the Dr. O. P. Bhalla Memorial Sthal situated in the midst of the University. An arena for meditation where blessings of the Founder Chancellor will be a guiding light in every step we take forward...

A mega Blood Donation camp was organized at different venues across the Campus under the aegis of Dr O.P. Bhalla Foundation. Inaugurating the camp was Dr. Suprabha Dahiya, IAS (Commissioner, Municipal Corporation Faridabad) along with Mrs. Satya Bhalla, Chairperson, Dr. O. P. Bhalla Foundation; Dr. Prashant Bhalla, Chancellor, MRIU; Dr. Amit Bhalla, VP, MREI; Dr. M.M. Kathuria, Member; Dr. N. C. Wadhwa Vice, Chancellor, MRIU and other senior dignitaries.

The blood donation camp was assisted by Lions Club of Faridabad & Rotary Club in association with Manav Rachna Leo Club and they collected around 1200 units of blood. Medical support and equipment was provided by an able team of doctors from B K Hospital, Faridabad and Santon Ka Gurudwara along with Rotary International.

To support the Haryana Government’s endeavor, an amount of `5 lac was donated to Red Cross Society for the victims of Kashmir Floods by Dr. O. P. Bhalla Foundation. Apart from this, the employees of Manav Rachna have also donated one day’s salary under the aegis of Dr. O. P. Bhalla Foundation to the Prime Minister’s Relief Fund for the victims of Kashmir Floods.

To salute the spirit of the legendary visionary, Manav Rachna Educational Institutions (MREI) has formed the Dr. O. P. Bhalla Foundation. The foundation is a registered trust with philanthropy as its sole objective. The Foundation is committed to work towards Dr. O. P. Bhalla’s ideals of nation building. It aims is to undertake developmental activities, research and training in various fields, such as education, sustainable development and environmental protection, gender equality, health and well being, etc. Through its sustained efforts, the Dr. O. P. Bhalla Foundation has already initiated work to strengthen education systems, responding to global challenges through transformative education. Special onus has been placed on protecting and reviving our rich cultural and natural heritage. Specifically for the needs of the youth in India, the foundation is working for training and capacity building of people. This will help in attaining employment opportunities. For the betterment of our society, it is essential to protect our environment. In this domain, the foundation is undertaking various activities for energy conservation, creating awareness about green energy etc.

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Hence, it can be stated that the status of primary education seems satisfactory but the lack of a college for higher education in Mohna has caused a lot of problems at various levels. One of the major problems is that the girls are forced to marry at an early age after completing their primary education as people are afraid of sending their wards to nearby town Ballabgarh for security reasons. Even if the girls don't get married after completing their senior secondary education, generally they sit idle at their home. In view of the above mentioned problems, a college in the village is the need of the hour especially for girls of Mohna. The same problem is prevalent in the adjacent villages as well and a Girls college in Mohna will be an asset in dealing with the social problems like early marriage and girl's education of the entire region.

The second important issue for concern is health. Mohna has a Government hospital situated in the heart of the village along with some private clinics. The hospital is not fully equipped and doesn't have adequate facilities to deal with the emergency cases. Due to this, the villagers have to depend largely on the hospitals of Ballabgarh for primary treatment. People who are below poverty line have to face major problems as they don't have any choice and money to afford treatment in the nearby town. The number of doctors is also less as compared to any other government hospitals. Hence, the government hospital is required to be monitored by the local government and the basic facilities should be provided for the best possible medical treatment for the villagers.

A healthy environment helps in making a place worth living and it is supposed to have fair environment conditions in the villages. It is important to keep our surrounding clean and tidy but one of the most serious problems of the Mohna is garbage disposal and drainage system. There is no drainage facility in the village. The villagers dump the garbage at a common open area in the village including the garbage from the hospitals and clinics which is burnt there only. The smoke and the dirt are filled in the air making the environment hard to breathe causing several health hazards. The villagers are not educated enough to understand that this is serious matter to think upon and important measures are required for garbage disposal. The basic objectives of the visit were to look into the details of the problems of Mohna and to find out the ways to make it an ideal village. It is in this context, it is recommended that the above mentioned problems should be brought to the notice of the local government and important steps should be taken to ensure that the issues are heard and solved respectively. In this respect, students of Faculty of media studies will be covering the stories sighting the basic problems of the village and the stories will be published by the Hindi daily Hindustan, which has given its consent for the same as the media partner.

The step taken by Manav Rachna University will be a source of inspiration for other organizations of fulfilling the corporate social responsibility and will add one more feather to the university's cap that believes in value based education, over all development of the society and creating better human beings.

**Government Girls School at Mohna Village**

The first work the Foundation has undertaken is the adoption of the Government Girls School in Mohna. At the school, the focus has been on improving the infrastructure of the school and imparting knowledge and experience to the school children through interactive games, dance, singing and cultural activities etc.

**SOLID WASTE SEGREGATION – TRAINING FOR HOUSE KEEPING STAFF ON 13TH JUNE 2014**

A training was conducted on waste segregation for the Class IV employees of Manav Rachna, who are involved in waste disposal. Through the training, the employees have been educated on how to segregate waste and thereby contribute towards recycling and saving the environment.

Dustbins in triplicate were deployed at 9 strategic positions in MRIU campus to bring about segregation of waste and inculcate this habit among students and employees of MRIU. The waste was segregated as:

- **a)** Organic waste
- **b)** Tetra packs and paper plates
- **c)** Miscellaneous

**A Step towards a movement where No-one sleeps hungry**

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Mrei pledges to keep the cleanliness campaign going...

Our quest for a cleaner India should begin with us and we at MREI have taken the step towards cleanliness as an expression of our values and duty towards the society at large.

Manav Rachna took a pledge with the nation and has not forgotten its commitment towards the cleanliness cause. On October 2, 2014, to commemorate the birth anniversary of the Father of the Nation and in compliance with the Hon’ble Prime Minister of India’s call for a ‘Swachh Bharat Swasth Bharat’, Manav Rachna International University had launched a massive cleanliness campaign in Faridabad in the slum dwellings of Sanjay Colony/Kodi Colony where a tree plantation was also undertaken.

The students and faculty of MRIU had taken a pledge under the guidance of Mrs Satya Bhalla, Chief Patron, MREI and Dr. N. C. Wadhwa, Vice Chancellor, MRIU to keep their surroundings clean. To support the Central Government’s initiative and also the UGC mandate, Manav Rachna International University (MRIU) had launched the campaign in Faridabad under the aegis of the Dr. O. P. Bhalla Foundation.

The entire staff and students of Manav Rachna armed with brooms, took it upon themselves to clean Sanjay Colony where the residents were sensitized about the necessary pre-requisites for a healthy and hygienic lifestyle. On this occasion, all members of the Manav Rachna fraternity also pledged to minimize the use of plastic bags. In tune with the mission, Yoga and meditation courses will soon be incorporated within the curriculum at Manav Rachna for the holistic well-being of students. Arrangements are also being made by MRIU for a solid waste treatment plant. Reiterating its commitment towards the cleanliness cause, MREI once again immersed itself in the mission when the ‘Swachh Haryana Abhiyaan’ was launched on November 1, 2014, by Hon’ble Chief Minister of Haryana Shri Manoharlal Khattar in Faridabad. MREI and Dr O.P. Bhalla Foundation celebrated the Abhiyaan on the occasion of Haryana Day.

The mission saw students, staff, alumni and volunteers of MRIE joining in large numbers to take part in what has become a nationwide movement. Their zest and enthusiasm knew no bounds as they trooped in at the Old Faridabad Railway Station to clean up accumulated debris, polythene wrappers and other garbage lying in the Railway Station area. Hon’ble Vice Chancellor of MRIU, Dr. N. C. Wadhwa, and other senior dignitaries of the University initiated the cleaning up campaign and motivated the participants.

Upholding the cleanliness campaign, President, MREI, Dr. Prashant Bhalla said that students being the future of the country should be the protagonists towards building a better India. He explained that the railway station is a statement about the city, both as an entry point and as a place to pass by—for passengers. The entire programme was organised under the guidance of Dr. Chavi Bhargava Sharma, Dean FMS, MRIU.

After reaching the station, a number of teams were formed and assigned the areas to be cleaned. They removed all sorts of garbage and other unhygienic material including dust and polythene from the railway platforms, parking area, ticket counters, foot overbridge and stairways. The passengers stopped to look at the mission in progress with some of them evincing an interest in joining the movement. A day before the drive, a committee was constituted to thoroughly inspect the Faridabad Railway Station, railway tracks, platforms, parking and its surrounding area. The committee (consisting of faculty members from FMS: Mr. Mukesh Malik, Ms. Farhat Mohsin and Ms. Stuti Sahni) visited every nook and corner of the station and explored areas to be cleaned up by the housekeeping staff of MRIU for a month-long period. Station Superintendent at Faridabad Railway Station, Mr. K. C. Meena applauded the sincere efforts put in by Team MRIU and offered his utmost cooperation for the programme. Speaking on the occasion, Dr N.C. Wadhwa said, “This noble mission and cleanliness campaign is meant to sensitize people towards the importance of cleanliness. The Swachh Haryana Abhiyaan has been a great unifier bringing together all sections of the society and energizing our students to clean up their immediate environment.”

Sweeping the platforms and entrance to the Railways Station, Sahil, a first semester student of FMS, MRIU said, “The cleanliness mission, an initiative of the Dr O. P. Bhalla Foundation—spearheaded by Chief Patron, MRIU, Mrs. Satya Bhalla and Dean, FMS, MRIU, Dr. Chavi Bhargava Sharma—had succeeded in its mission of spreading mass awareness about cleanliness and hygiene, inspiring students to undertake what was a gratifying and humbling experience.”
‘Say no to polythene’ was the pledge the Manav Rachna Educational Institutions took on 20 November, 2014. The Deputy Commissioner, Faridabad, Sh. Vijay Singh Dahiya declared that Manav Rachna International University was the first University in Haryana to be declared as a no polythene University. “Other Universities will follow your example,” he said amidst a gathering of students and dignitaries for whom it was a proud moment. Smt Seema Trikha, MLA from Badhkal whole heartedly appreciated the efforts of MREI towards a clean environment.

I proudly accept that our youngsters are not only our ambassadors but truly our torch bearers who have taken the initiative towards a cleaner environment, whether it is saying no to polythene or segregation of residue, they have been foremost in implementing what they are being taught,” said a proud Dr Prashant Bhalla, President MREI while speaking to the gathering which had assembled at the Manav Rachna International University. He fully appreciated the students from the different schools of MRIS. He also assured the Administration that Manav Rachna would always be there to support the cause of a Swachh Bharat Swasth Bharat which had been initiated by the Prime Minister of India, Mr Narendra Modi.

Speaking on the occasion the Deputy Commissioner, Faridabad, IAS, Sh. Vijay Singh Dahiya paid his homage to Dr O.P. Bhalla and spoke of his magnanimous personality. The DC spoke of the PAAAI which would take Faridabad, Haryana and the country towards a greener and cleaner environment. Seema Trikha spoke of the immeasurable contribution of Dr. O.P. Bhalla towards Faridabad. She wholly appreciated the efforts of the students and advised them to continue to spread the message of cleanliness around themselves while working as a team.

Mrs Mamta Wadhwa, Principal MRIS Sector 14, Faridabad shared the efforts undertaken by the MRIS schools towards the Swachh Haryana Abhiyaan leading to Swachh Bharat.

The NGO: ACT spoke on Educe, Reuse and Recycle methodology which they had adopted. They also informed that waste was being segregated at the Manav Rachna International University and being carried forward for recycling. The students would act as brand ambassadors for various cleanliness projects and that there were plans to set up a bio-gas project in the future.

Mrs Chavi Bhangav, Dean FMS while giving the vote of thanks assured the administration to take their PAAAI project forward.
Manav Rachna International School has been chosen as this year's recipient of the South Asia Education Summit Award 2014 in the category – Best Emerging school of the year.

South Asia Education Summit Award is a dedicated platform to explore the latent potential of innovation in the education sector across 8 countries in South Asia: India, Pakistan, Nepal, Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Maldives and Sri Lanka.

Some of the parameters on which the institutes were shortlisted and awarded were innovation for inclusive education, leadership and impact on the society.
SKATING TO SPEEDING HEIGHTS

Jyoti Kapoor has made her country proud, her school Manav Rachna International School, Sector 14, Faridabad, proud and her parents proud. She attributes her success to 3 “Ps” : Parents, Principal and Perseverance

She has been gliding on her skates since she was 6 years old. For Jyoti Kapoor whether it is participating at the Asian games 2014 held in China, or an inter school competition, every match is special and needs concentration and dedication. And that is what has brought the young tall teenager success in her sport. She duly recognizes the support and hard work that her parents have put in to see her where she is today. “My parents leave no stone unturned to make my practice sessions possible. Whether it is accompanying me to my training camps or driving me long distances to participate in a match, they are always ready to support me,” says Jyoti Kapoor who is a resident of Faridabad and has had to travel far and near besides attending her coaching sessions at the Sports complex in Sector 12, Faridabad. “My Principal, Mrs Mamta Wadhwa has been my source of motivation. I have got support from my teachers who go out of their way to re-schedule my study routine. The school has been my constant support. I have to participate in almost 7-8 important outstation events every year and it is here that I get full support from my Principal and I have been able to participate in inter school, state and national level competitions,” says this smiling teenager who has won more 300 prizes at all levels of skating competitions.

Jyoti who is a student of Class X1, MRIS Sector 14 has climbed the ladder of success slowly but surely. The National level competition in December 2013 where she brought the gold medal for the speed skating hockey only prepared her for the Asian Games which was to follow the next year.

“Every match is a memorable one, but the one which will always stand special is the Asian Games match in Hianing city, China in September of 2014,” says Jyoti who was the team captain of the 16 member team which represented India. The proud moments in that particular match was when she scored 3 out of the 5 goals and defeated Iran who scored only 1 goal. Her team won the third position to bring back the bronze for the country for the above 17 category. “The proudest moment was when we saw the Indian flag go up in the stadium and the crowd clapped with happiness.”My trip to China taught me to improve on my weaker points. I continued my practice and felt confident when I participated in the World Cup Skating In-line hockey in July 2014 to attain the 6th position when there were participants from 28 countries.

“To one day participate in the Olympics is my goal,” says the bright eyed Jyoti who is also a keen shooter and has also won accolades for the same. But academics is of equal importance in the life of the youngster and she wants to pursue her Chartered Accountancy. Our best wishes are with you Jyoti and we wish you the very best in your endeavors – whether it is sports or academics.
ACTIVITIES AT MRIS CHARMWOOD

APPOINTMENT WITH HISTORY

MRIS, Charmwood, in collaboration with ITIHAAS had organised a one-of-a-kind trip to the Qutub Minar for the students of Class VII which left them mesmerised

“The farther backward you can look, the farther forward you are likely to see.”
— Winston Churchill

The significance of studying History in the 21st century in an age of Nano technology is probably best explained in the words of one of the world’s best thinkers, politician, historian and artist, in the above lines. The students of Class VII got a chance to travel back in time with ITIHAAS to witness the coming of the Muslims in India, way back in the 8th century A.D. and the growth of a mixed culture that resulted due to the interactions between the Hindus and the Muslims.

ITIHAAS (Indian Traditions and Heritage Society) works on the principle that “our children should not grow up as tourists in our own cities and foreigners in our own country” and believe, that the only way of making our children sensitive towards tangible and intangible socio – cultural heritage is by making students stakeholders in it”.

Manav Rachna International School, Charmwood, in collaboration with ITIHAAS had organised a trip to one of the most famous monuments, the Qutub Minar for the students of Class VII. A day ahead of the actual site visit, ITIHAAS conducted an orientation programme for the students, wherein they were asked to write all that they knew about the monument and compare it with their knowledge once they have visited the monument.

The actual site visit of Qutub Minar was scheduled on 29th August 2014 and was conducted by Mrs Smita Vats, Director ITIHAAS and Bipasa. The visit was one of its kind with the students enthralled by the history of the place that was many centuries older than the Qutub Minar. They attended a workshop (drawing of the monument, dialogue between the Qutub and themselves) in the Khalji Madrasa which were fully functional schools during the reign of Alauddin Khalji. The students were told how to find direction in a mosque. The students were fascinated to be seated at the oldest mosque in the country and find features of Hindu temples in its construction and the reasons for their presence. They also learnt about the history of the Iron Pillar in the Qutub complex and various myths and legends associated with it. They marvelled at the unfinished Alai Minar and wondered what it would have been like had it been completed. The exploration was wrapped up with the children learning to sing a song composed by ITIHAAS, describing all the structure at the Qutub Complex. They came back humming “Qutub Minar…Oh ho ho Qutub Minar….”

Walking back in time

A CLEAN SWEEP BY MRISCW

The students of MRIS Charmwood brought laurels to the School by stealing the show at a literary event organized by Pathways School, Gurgaon

The students of Manav Rachna International School stole the show in ‘Ek Pschchan’, a literary event organized by Pathways School, Gurgaon. Held on 9th September, 2014, the Mrites stole the limelight when they bagged the first prize in almost all categories i.e. Best performance, Best Process Portfolio, Best Content and overall First position. The budding artistes enthralled one and all with their mesmerizing performance Dance–Drama, named ‘AN AUDACIOUS ODYSSEY’ based on the common theme of the texts – The Life Of Pi by Yann Martel, The Immortals of Meluha by Amish Tripathi and the Alchemist by Paulo Coelho. The team comprising of Ms Sanyogita Sharma, Director Principal MRISCW, Ms Nindiya Saket, Senior School Headmistress, Ms Geeta Sharma, Ms Sumedha Kapur, Mr Sumit Hela, Mr Anil, Mr Anuender and the student performers Rakshit Malhotra, Saurabh, Rohan Bhatia, Ashesh Sagar and Joel Sunny gave their heart and soul to make it a huge success. The performance was appreciated by all as every minute detail was perfected through hours of rigorous practice and perseverance.
INVESTITURE AND APPRECIATION DAY CEREMONY @ MRIS CHARMWOOD

MRIS, Charmwood, Faridabad conducted the Investiture Ceremony for Senior as well as Junior Council members at Manav Rachna International University

An Investiture Ceremony for Senior as well as junior council members of MRIS Charmwood was conducted at Manav Rachna International University auditorium. The chief guest of the programme was Ms Satya Bhalla, Patron for the Manav Rachna family. The occasion was graced by esteemed guests Mrs Nisha Bhalla, Executive Director of the School, Dr Amit Bhalla Vice President, MREI, and members of the Paragon team. The ceremony began in a propitious manner by the lighting of the lamp and chanting of the gayatri mantra.

'I am not interested in power for power's sake, but I am interested in power that is moral, that is right and that is good.' This was said by Martin Luther King Jr. The investiture ceremony is one of the most momentous occasions of the School where the newly selected members of the school's senate are officially vested with their powers and positions. Students of today are the visionaries and torch bearers of tomorrow. When we develop personality, skill and mind we develop responsible human beings with leadership qualities. Among the Juniors, the baton was passed on by Divyanshi Saha, Head Girl of the previous session to Naysha Jain, Head Girl of this session. The Head Boy Arnav Shukla handed over the sash to Yatin Malhotra. The Vice Head Boy Shaurya Bhalla and Vice Head Girl Tanvi Chandra were full of zest when cast in their new roles.

Every duty is holy and devotion to duty is the highest form of worship to God. Senior School Head Boy Deepak Gupta of the previous session also passed on his responsibilities to Rijul Aery, the Head Boy of the present session. Sunaina Girdhir was chosen the Head Girl for the second time. Both, Sunaina and Rijul thanked their teachers for reposing confidence in them and their parents for inculcating the right values in them. Mrs Sanyogita Sharma, Director Principal MRIS, Charmwood, administered the oath to the newly elected senate members. Students from both the wings were also felicitated for their achievements in scholastic as well as co-scholastic areas. The cultural presentations were enjoyed by one and all. The French Ballet and the Tablaau on unsung heroes of India, was the highlight of the programme. The programme culminated with Mrs Satya Bhalla's speech who congratulated the council members and at the same time advised them to strike a balance between studies and activities.

CHAMPIONS AT THEIR BEST

Students of MRIS, Charmwood, participated in the Inter- Zonal French Competition- 2014, organised by Prayatna Educational Society and brought awards and accolades for their stupendous performance. Students of Manav Rachna International School, Charmwood, Faridabad took part in the Inter- Zonal French Competition- 2014 organised by Prayatna Educational Society and brought laurels to the school through their stupendous performance.

Ananya Goyal of Grade VI won the first prize, an all sponsored trip to France. The second prize was bagged by Era Parmar, a student of Grade VI as well, winning a cash prize of Rs 10,000. The students became the unconquerable champions as they showed exemplary grit, talent and zeal by initially winning the zonal round held on 7th August at Ambience School, Safdarjung Enclave, New Delhi, wherein they presented a beautiful French Ballet. The dancers trained by their dance teacher Mr Sumit Kumar Hela, not only displayed finesse, grace and elegance through their dance but even mesmerized the audience. Triumphing over 28 schools from various regions of India, students of Manav Rachna International School, Charmwood stood first. Once again in the Semi Finale round held on 21st August at Tecnia Auditorium, Sector-14, Rohini, New-Delhi, out of 8 winning schools, the students of MRIS came out in flying colours and shone like stars. In the final round the winners contested individually for the quiz round and came up as winners of the show in majestic style. The competition was well received by the audience and the contestants alike. It was an inspiring combination of intelligence and talent.

We congratulate the winners, teachers and their parents and are very proud of each one of them!!
ART AND ARTISTIC IMPRESSIONS

MRIS Charmwood students got an in-depth understanding of art and the artist’s point of view when they visited the Kiran Nadar Art Museum where they also attended a workshop on Warli art.

“Art is to represent not the outward appearance of things, but their inward significance.”

Keeping in mind the satisfaction attained by recognizing the inner significance, students from Grade VI and VII of MRIS, Charmwood, visited Kiran Nadar Art Museum. Children were assisted by the guides inside the museum where they could step into the shoes of an artist and experience the in-depth understanding of art from an artist’s point of view. They gathered information about thematic and digital art in combination with water colours. Artistic sketch on famous proverbs, painting of Gandhi’s secular view, mirror reflection of paintings, metal engraved books by famous writers, women not meant for only kitchens and riots of Bombay (1992) were the main attractions of this museum visit. After enjoying refreshments in the second half, children were introduced to Warli Art paintings where they learnt about Warlis or Varlis and the fact that they are the indigenous tribes or Adivasis living in the mountainous as well as coastal areas of the Maharashtra-Gujarat border and surrounding areas. They were briefed about the extremely rudimentary wall paintings that were created by the usage of a very basic graphic vocabulary: a circle, a triangle and a square—observation of nature, the circle representing the sun and the moon, the triangle derived from mountains and pointed trees. Only the square seems to obey a different logic and seems to be a human invention. Their paintings were completely based upon three basic colours—white, red ochre and black made up of rice paste. The painting is done on the mud walls of houses on special occasions. Children were provided with resources to create their own Warli paintings that gave them wings to express their own imagination. It was fun playing with three basic colours of Warli Art!

A music workshop on Hindi Music was conducted by Dainik Jagran group to make students aware about the benefits and importance of music in our lives.

Music is an universal language. A workshop was conducted by Dainik Jagran Group on Hindi Music for the students from Grade 4 to 7. The main highlight of the workshop was to make students aware about the benefits of music and its importance in our lives. The workshop underlined the advantages of music. The workshop highlighted the fact that music helps to lift the soul and releases us from the pressures of our daily lives. It also helps to soothe our minds and build concentration. Music is fun, enhancing social development, fostering team spirit and increasing a child’s cognitive development. It also ensures a healthy lifestyle. Music is expression, freedom, emotion and creativity. Without it life would be quiet, dull and listless. Even the most exciting elements of life would seem lacklustre. The students enthusiastically participated in the workshop and sang a few evergreen numbers from various Bollywood movies. Many students won goodies from CASIO for their participation and songs.
TUTORIALS @ MRIS CHARMWOOD

MRIS Charmwood students had the freedom to choose their own enrichment classes when the School offered them tutorial classes to help clear their doubts and confusion.

Students at MRIS, Charmwood, were provided with an opportunity to choose their own enrichment classes, as the school offered tutorial classes for each child to plug the gaps and clear the doubts of the students.

Students were quite satisfied and content after the lessons as the teachers broke down the chapters to meet the requirements of the students and gave one to one attention to each child.

WINNERS AT THE FIRST ROTARY SOCIAL INNOVATION AWARDS

Students of Interact Club of Manav Rachna International School, Charmwood, secured the third position in the First Rotary Social Innovation Awards and won appreciation from one and all.

Albert Schweitzeronce said “I don’t know what your destiny will be, but one thing I do know: the only ones among you who will be really happy are those who have sought and found how to serve.”

The students of Interact Club of Manav Rachna International School, Charmwood are truly inspired and dedicated towards their service and responsibility towards the community. The club has undertaken several projects including “Computer Knowage”, a Computer Literacy Programme designed to prepare Senior Citizens and Housewives so that they are able to use computers and technology in their day to day lives.

The students’ efforts were suitably recognized when they were awarded the third position in the First Rotary Social Innovation Awards. Held at Modern School, Barakhamba Road on August 27, 2014, the event witnessed more than 70 entries from 40 plus schools in Delhi/NCR and some schools from outside India. It was indeed a proud moment for students of Interact Club and MRIS Charmwood. We congratulate the students, teacher and the management.

SHOOTING STARS

The budding shooters of MRIS, Charmwood, won top honours in the State Level Shooting Competition organised at Kurukshetra.

Following in the footsteps of the stalwarts of shooting, the budding shooters of MRIS, Charmwood, brought accolades to the school in the State Level Shooting Competition organised at Kurukshetra from 1st September, 2014 to 4th September, 2014.

Anjali Krishna and Diksha Yadav, students from grade X won a Gold medal each. Pooja and Shivam Kumar from the same class won a Silver medal each while Aakash bagged the Bronze medal.

Kanishk Srivastava, Rupesh Upadhyay and Hriday also qualified for the finals besides the winning students of the school.

Subsequently, these children will participate in the ‘All India Schools 10 Metre Air Rifle’ category. We are proud of our young shooters and wish them all the best for their future prospects.

STUDENT PARTICIPATION IN RYAN-MUN

Students from MRIS, Charmwood, attended the two day “Model United Nation-MUN” conference organized by Ryan, Gurgaon.

Five students from MRIS Charmwood along with two teachers attended the two day “Model United Nation-MUN” conference organized by Ryan, Gurgaon. The students participated as Delegates representing various committees. For instance, there were three Delegates for Disc, one Delegate for Chinese Polit Bureau and one Delegate for UN Women. These delegates represented profiles of their respective countries. Different Committees had different issues to be raised through motion from delegates. Some of the issues were Indo-China border expansion with reference to Arunachal Pradesh (17-18 July), Condition of women in Israel (17 July) and Women safety in post-conflict areas with reference to Peace-keeping forces (18 July). The parameters for judgement were Communication skills, Confidence level, Ability to think and answer, General Awareness and updated information about the current political and economic scenario, worldwide.

It was the first exposure to MUN that was provided to the students, yet they actively participated in the conference. They were very enthusiastic and keen as participant delegates to put forward their views related to their country and concerns in the UN Committee conference. The programme culminated with the prize distribution ceremony, wherein our students were felicitated for participation.

IN MEMORIUM

MRIS, Charmwood grieves the loss of Mr. Ajit Singh, System Administrator, whose sudden demise on 10th September 2014, cast a pall of gloom.

During his service of 5 years, Ajit was loved and admired by one and all in the institution. His passion and dedication for his work at such a young age was commendable. His enthusiasm and efficiency had always impressed everyone in the school. His presence will be missed and his memories will be unforgettable.

May his soul rest in peace!
TEACHER’S DAY THROUGH FUN AND FROLIC

Students of MRIS, Charmwood, put up a programme on the occasion of Teacher’s Day to express their love and respect for their revered teachers.

Though we say, times are changing, but the status of a teacher remains the same in the innocent hearts of the students. This was justly reflected in the programme put up by the students of MRIS, Charmwood, through which they expressed their love and respect for their revered teachers. The occasion, Teacher’s Day, began with a recitation of a beautiful poem defining the role of a teacher by the Headmistress, Ms Nindiya Sacket. This was followed by a traditional tribute to the teachers in the form of a classical dance on the notes of Guru Vandana. A melodious song was also dedicated to the Principal and the teachers. It was indeed a soul-stirring performance. The students’ purpose of entertaining the teachers was well achieved through a hilarious act—a parody of the famous comedy show, ‘Comedy Nights With Kapil’ depicted as ‘Comedy day with Karthik’. The act was so hilarious that everyone burst into fits of laughter. The teachers were invited on the stage and asked hilarious questions. The show stealer was a medley of dance and acting in which the students enacted their teachers. The enactment amused the teachers the most, as they could relate their habits to the enactment and could see how minutely the students observed their teachers and imitated them perfectly.

The occasion was graced by the presence of Ms Rita Doughlas, Ms. Elaine and Ms. Monica—The Paragon Team. The programme rounded up with prize distribution and speech by the Director-Principal, Ms. Sanyogita Sharma, through which she expressed heartfelt thanks on behalf of all the teachers.

CREATIVITY AND CULINARY TALENT

MRIS Charmwood’s ‘wonder chefs’ whipped up delightful and exciting dishes at the Cookery Competition organized by MRIS Charmwood.

MRIS Charmwood organised a Cookery Competition ‘Wonder Chefs’ for the students of Grades VI to VIII on 18th July to enhance their culinary skills. It was a visual delight to see the students coming up with exciting and innovative recipes. The cuisine ranged from traditional Indian dishes like halwa, Dahi-badas, Chole kulche to Continental and Italian dishes like pizzas and pastas. The healthy snacks and mocktails added value to the mouth-watering dishes. The students also surveyed the nutritional value of the dishes and the importance of healthy eating habits.

An Intra-class competition—Ad Mad World—was also organized for Grades IX and X in the Co-Curricular Activity slot in which students performed spoofs on various advertisements. They displayed their acting talent, innovative thought process and immense creativity in a hilarious manner. It was pure fun watching students exercise their sense of discretion, judgement and understanding of the advertisements which are not meant to be followed blindly. They prepared catchy jingles, colourful banners and props to maximise the effect and convey the message convincingly.

A JEWEL IN MRIS
CHARMWOOD’S CROWN

Ananya Goyal, a Grade VI student from MRIS, Charmwood won the essay writing competition ‘GURUTSAV-2014’ organised by CBSE.

Ananya Goyal, a Grade VI student from MRIS, Charmwood, brought laurels to the school by winning the essay writing competition ‘GURUTSAV-2014’ which was organized by CBSE. This competition was held on 1st September to commemorate Teacher’s Day. Ananya Goyal was selected among 148 best entries in Grades VI-VIII category. We congratulate Ananya Goyal who put in her best efforts to emerge as the winner in the prestigious online competition wherein millions of students appeared. She came out flying colours and won a cash prize of ₹5000/- and a book worth ₹500/-. She has already won a free trip to France through a French competition organized by Prayyatna Educational Society.

We are very proud of her achievements and talent.

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ACTIVITIES AT MRIS 21C

THE ARYABHATTA DIAGNOSTIC TEST

MRIS 21C conducted the Aryabhatta Diagnostic Test to expose students to the challenges of external examinations.

Manav Rachna-21C believes in exposing students to the best of external examinations at various levels so that they get prepared for the challenges which lie ahead of them once they reach the higher grades. The Aryabhatta Diagnostic Test was conducted on 9th September, 2014 to do the screening. The level of the test was very good which made students tax their brains to crack the paper. Grade V had a wonderful time solving the test paper and learnt many new concepts.

JANMASHTAMI CELEBRATIONS @MRIS 21C

Janmashtami was celebrated at MRIS 21C wherein children were dressed as Krishna, Rukmani, Radha, Gopi and Draupadi and presented a skit to depict the value of relationships.

We, at MRIS, believe in inculcating Indian values in our children through celebration of various religious festivals. Janmashtami was celebrated at MRIS 21C, wherein children were dressed as Krishna, Rukmani, Radha, Gopi, Draupadi and presented a skit depicting relationship between friends and sister to make them understand the value of relationships. Children enjoyed rocking the cradle of baby Krishna. They went back home with goodies which included nice Krishna head gear, flute and snacks.

HEALTHY MIND RESIDES IN A HEALTHY BODY

At the Sandwich Day celebration, toddlers at MRIS-21C learnt about the goodness of nutrients and healthy eating habits.

As part of our initiative to impart holistic education for the all round development of the child, we tried to inculcate good eating habits and concept building among toddlers at MRIS-21C. At the Sandwich Day celebration, the tiny tots got from home various kinds of sandwiches full of the goodness of nutrients and in various shapes and sizes. They learnt about shapes, sizes and different kinds of fruits. It taught them how important good eating habits are for wholesome learning. The activity turned out to be an enriching experience for the children.

WORLD OZONE DAY CELEBRATIONS

MRIS 21C celebrated World Ozone Day wherein the students presented a beautiful skit outlining the importance of the ozone layer.

MRIS 21C believes in making its students aware about their environment, their mother earth and the importance of protecting it. MRIS 21C celebrated World Ozone Day which falls on 16th September. The students presented a beautiful skit outlining the importance of the ozone layer, the threat being posed by its depletion and measures to protect it for self and future generations. The news of the recovery in ozone layer was also shared with everyone present. A pledge was taken to take care of mother Earth and do our bit to preserve it.
TRYST WITH GLORIOUS INDIA

The Independence Day celebrations at MRIS 21C kindled love for the nation all over again as it was high on patriotic fervour

The Independence Day celebrations took place at MRIS 21C on 13th of August 2014. It inculcated a feeling of patriotism among the students. The aim is to try and involve the parents and grandparents, the School’s partners in bringing up children in a holistic way. In this pursuit, MRIS 21C invited the grandfather of one of the children, Retd. Brig. J.S. Bedi, VSM (Vishisht Sewa Medal) to unfurl the Tricolour and motivate students and staff with his inspirational stories. Students had put up a great show, showcasing unity in diversity, the importance of patriotism and colourful dances depicting love for the motherland. It was an event which had kindled love for the nation all over again.

NURSERY THEME ASSEMBLY

MRIS 21C organized a Nursery Theme Assembly where the themes of GES and Paragon through role-play, enactment and dance-drama were presented

To instill confidence in the students whereby they can stand up in front of the audience and express themselves effectively with full verve, MRIS 21C organized a Nursery Theme Assembly. The themes of GES and Paragon through role-play, enactment and dance-drama were presented at MRIS 21C. The parents and all present there were impressed with the confidence and flair of all the students in the Nursery grade. Parents were very appreciative of the fact that there was 100 per cent student participation. All the children were given a chance to appear on stage and express themselves. The Theme Assembly ended amidst a lot of clapping and applause.

PHONICS ORIENTATION FOR PARENTS

The parents of Nursery at MRIS 21C were given a workshop on correct usage of phonic sounds and how they should be introduced to the children

We completely believe in ‘Manav ki Rachna’ in a holistic way. For the purpose, we apprise our parents about the methodology being adopted by us for imparting knowledge to our ‘little hands and great minds’. The parents of Nursery at MRIS 21C were given a workshop on correct usage of phonic sounds and how they should be introduced to the children. The idea behind the workshop was to make parents aware for better reinforcement at home. Parents were very appreciative of the workshop taken by the Academic Excellence Team comprising of Ms. Elaine Carter and Ms. Monica Mukherjee.

PAJAMA PARTY

A Pajama Party was organized for Toddlers of MRIS-21C to teach them good sleep habits and hygiene

To expose students to real life situations, teach concepts, good habits and values, a Pajama Party was organized for Toddlers of MRIS-21C. It tried to give them the concept and connection with night—sleep time, bedtime story, lullaby etc. The activity taught them how and why to wash hands and feet before bed time and use hand towel for hygiene. They were also told how to fold and keep hand towels at a proper place. They all brought their favorite soft toys, pillows to feel comfortable and at home. All were dressed in proper night dress, pyjamas and night suits and looked very excited to sleep in their class rooms. They were taught the right vocabulary and prayer to be done before sleeping and after getting up. All in all, it was an interesting and fun filled activity for the tiny tots.
**PINNACLE OF CREATIVITY AND TALENT**

The inter-school competition ‘SPECTRUM’ organised by MRIS 21C gave the children a perfect platform to showcase their creativity and skills besides giving them exposure to some of the most promising talents in the city.

MRIS-21C had an inter school competition – ‘SPECTRUM’ to expose its students to the best talents in the city. Many renowned schools of Faridabad participated with full zeal and enthusiasm. Students in the age-group of 2.6 to 5.6, belonging to Pre-nursery, Nursery and KG classes had participated in various activities such as My Fantastical World of Fairytales, Shape-a-thon and 3D Puppet making. The students and teachers had shown amazing creativity in using recyclable material and presented themselves on stage confidently and earned a lot of applause. The music and dance department of MRIS 21C enthralled the audience with melodious songs and amazing dance performances. The accompanying teachers with the participants were kept busy in lego-land wherein they had lots of ‘hands-on activities’ which they enjoyed thoroughly. On the whole, it was a fun-filled, enriching day for the students and staff of MRIS 21C.

**INTER HOUSE BASKET BALL**

MRIS-21C had organized Inter House Basket Ball to mark the birth anniversary of sporting legend Major Dhyan Chand.

To mark the birth anniversary of Indian sporting legend Major Dhyan Chand, 29th July is celebrated as National Sports Day. MRIS-21C had organized Inter House Basket Ball between Grades IV and V. The objective was to inculcate team spirit, discipline, competitive resolve and sense of achievement among students. They enjoyed playing basketball following proper rules of the game and were cheered on by fellow students.

**‘DHAROHAR’ - A SALUTE TO GRANDPARENTS**

Grandparents were invited to MRIS 21C to cement the bond between grandchildren and grandparents. The significance of Hindi as a language was also highlighted to mark Hindi Diwas.

The bond between grand children and grand parents was strengthened when MRIS 21C invited grandparents to the school to celebrate ‘Dharohar’ on 15th September 2014. The day prior to that was Hindi Diwas. The students of MRIS 21C presented a beautiful classical song, expressing their love and gratitude for their grandparents. The students of grade I and II presented a beautiful dance drama, Hasya Kavi Sammelan to entertain everyone present. The significance of Hindi as a language was also highlighted. The grandparents also enthusiastically participated in the program, wherein one grand-mom recited a self-composed poem which was very touching. Grandparents sang beautiful songs, narrated anecdotes and played various games. The Grandmothers walked the ramp and enthralled everyone with their zeal. There was a lot of love and warmth in the air with everyone joining in the fun and camaraderie.

**STUDENTS MOVED BY MOTIVATING SPEECH**

Students of MRIS 21C got an opportunity to watch Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi address the Indian Americans at the Madison Square Garden on You Tube. The recent visit of the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi to United States of America and his address to the Indian Americans at the Madison Square Garden was shown on You Tube to the students of MRIS 21C. Students were thrilled and motivated to see how grand the welcome was and how beautifully the NRIs had integrated themselves in the U.S. Our Prime Minister emphasized on India’s progress and futuristic plans to take India ahead in the 21st century and bring the country at par with the developed nations. It was an opportunity for the students and the faculty members to listen to the motivating words from a towering personality like Narendra Modi.
ACTIVITIES AT MRIS, NOIDA

SCIENCE EXHIBITION

Science isn’t about why, …… it’s about why not!

The objective of organizing Science exhibitions is to encourage scientific and technological creativity among students and inculcating a sense of pride in their talent. To provide exploratory experiences, encouraging creative thinking and promoting psychomotor skills among school students through self-designed models or simple apparatus. The students of MRIS NOIDA (IV – VII Grade) attended CBSE REGIONAL SCIENCE EXHIBITION 2014-15 The theme was Science, Society and Environment.

It aimed at providing a common platform to schools, teachers and students to give shape to their innovative ideas and learn from each other’s experiences. These exhibitions also intend to provide a medium for popularizing Science and increase awareness about close relationship between Science, Technology and Society. The models included ‘Indigenous Designs of Farm Machinery’, ‘Aquaponic Cycles’ , ‘Coin based solar mobile chargers’, ‘Syringe actuated mechanical arm’, Preparation of Bio diesel Fuel etc.

There was an enthusiastic response from participating schools and a great learning platform for our students as well.

MALALA DAY ASSEMBLY

“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.”-

Malala Day Special Assembly at school focused on the right to education for all especially the young children. Malala YousafZai defied the Taliban in Pakistan and demanded that the girls should be allowed to receive education. The assembly commenced with the invocation to God Almighty and this day also celebrated ‘Guru Purnima’. The students of grade 6 and 7 presented a skit to make spectators aware about “Right to Education”. The students sang a song and also spoke about the young, brave-heart MalalaYousafZai. The assembly concluded with the National Anthem and ‘Shanthi Path’.

“Educate a man, you educate one person, educate a woman you educate a complete family.” Education helps a child to develop the knowledge and skills needed to advance their status. To make our children realize that they are privileged to get good education but there are kids who are not very much fortunate, especially girls to enjoy their childhood and get proper education, we at MRIS Noida organized a Poster Designing competition for students of grade 6, 7. The topic “RIGHT TO EDUCATION FOR GIRLS” was very well expressed by our students through their thoughts and creativity an extension to Malala day celebrations.

THE CLASSICAL WORLD (500 BC – 500 AD): PARAGON ASSEMBLY

Paragon implements a thematic, interactive program that incorporates multiple learning styles. The hands-on approach of Paragon addresses the multiple intelligences and individual learning styles. This enhances students' communication skills, analysis and individual learning styles. This enhances students' communication skills, analysis and self-expression.

On 19th July, 2014 our students displayed their learning through art objects, products, skills and activities.

In Unit – 2 of Paragon our students stepped into shoes of people of THE CLASSICAL WORLD (500 BC – 500 AD) and explored their culture, their life style through Role-Plays, Paintings, Wax -Tablets, Ancient Murals. Students imagined themselves as citizens of various countries. KG students experienced Rome, Grade 1-Ancient Greece, Grade 2-Mesoamerica, Grade 3-Ancient China, Grade 4 -Ancient Greece , Grade 5 explored Ancient Rome and Grade 6 studied the Paleolithic Age and Grade 7 explored Ancient Middle East.

Our young, budding scientists and artists are brainstorming their minds each day developing their logical thinking and practical approach in their daily lives.

An informative Role-Play on Right to Education was played by the students. They also experimented on different Fabrics, Metamorphosis of silk moth was explained to the parents at length.

The zeal and enthusiasm of the students left the audience spell bound. The exhibition of their talents was applauded and appreciated by our Principal Ms. Sunanda Grover.

The parents were fully involved in the activities, designed to give a glimpse of their child’s learning process.

BOOK WEEK

“Books aren’t made of pages and words; they are made of hopes, dreams and possibilities”

The students of MRIS Noida took a step towards ‘Book Buddies’ which was a book corner created by students with their own contribution, towards the amazing world of books by organizing “Book Week” (21st July – 25th July 2014). The week comprised of various fun filled activities.

The activities scheduled for the week were – “Create a book mark “with quotes of famous authors for primary classes wherein children put in their thinking skills and wrote famous words of great authors. Designing of book jackets gave full freedom to kids to display their creativity.

Pre Primary had “Letter Hunt” in which the students looked for letters which were being called out by the teacher in their story books. The teachers of preprimary and grades 1 and 2 enacted stories like Goldie Locks and the Three Bears and Red Riding Hood for their little ones.

Giving their own titles to the books, book review, creating their own reading corner were other activities of the week.

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INDEPENDENCE DAY
CELEBRATIONS

“...At the stroke of the midnight hour, when
the world sleeps, India will awake to life
and freedom. A moment comes, which
comes but rarely in history, when we step
out from the old to the new, when an age
ends and when the sole of a nation long
suppressed find utterance”...” So said Pt.
Jawaharlal Nehru on the eve of India’s In-
dependence.

MRIS Noida paid homage to countless free-
dom fighters as it celebrated Independence Day.
The students of the school were filled with pa-
triotism and love for the country. Children were
dressed up in saffron, white and green colours.
The programme started with the unfurling of
the tri colour by Principal Ms. Sunanda Grover.
This was followed by a colourful presentation of
cultural events. A choir of students presented a
patriotic song filled with nationalism highlight-
ing India’s flight to progress inspite of diversi-
ty. Towards the end a white pigeon was set free
by ED sir and Principal Ma’am as a mark of
independence.

RAKSHABANDHAN

Raksha Bandhan, is a festival that reaffirms
the treasured bond of love and care be-
tween brothers and sisters. A special assem-
bly organized by Grade 2 had all the tra-
ditional fervor and gaiety at MRIS Noida.
Students wore colourful traditional Indian
wear. Rakhi making activity in school was
enthralled everyone. Girls tied Rakhi on
the wrist of boys to strengthen the bond
of love and care. Children of pre prima-
ry understood the importance of Rak-
shaBandhan and that it signifies protection
and safety. They made Rakhis and tied it to
the security guards and drivers of the buses.
They then tied Rakhis to their friends and
promised to take care of each other.

MONSOON MAGIC

Teej — The festival of swings and the
festival to welcome the much awaited
monsoons — was celebrated with a lot of fervor
at MRIS, Noida. Children were looking gor-
geous dressed in green and yellow coloured attire
They danced to the tunes of peppy rain numbers.
Girls enjoyed putting mehandi and boys stickers
on their hands and tasting Ghevars added to the
celebrations.

HULA HOOP FUN

Outdoor activities give pre-school children an
opportunity to move in a larger space. The roll-
ing of the hula hoops across the ground was an
amazing experience for little ones as they swung
to the traditional twist.

PAJAMA PARTY WITH FRIENDS

The tiny tots dressed in their night suits experi-
enced bedtime fun by participating in SLUM-
BER PARTY activities in their classroom. A
wonderful atmosphere comprising stuffed toys,
favorite storybooks, beds, popcorn, cookies,
fruitcakes, candies and juice was arranged. They
brought their favorite pillows and teddy bears to
add to the fun. They enjoyed all the activities
to the full.

4TH INTER MANAV RACHNA TABLE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP

Days of planning and hours of practice were
rewarded as the 4th Inter-Manav Rachna Ta-
ble Tennis Championship 2014 held at MRIS,
Noida on August 13 & 14, 2014 was a great
success. The students classified in age groups
—under10, under 14 and above 14 displayed the
best of their skills.

Mrs. Sunanda Grover, Principal, MRIS,
Noida motivated the students saying “Without
self-discipline success is impossible. Keep your
dreams alive. To achieve anything, one requires
faith and belief in yourself, vision, hard work,
determination and dedication.” The scintillat-
ing performance at the opening ceremony by
the students mesmerized the audience. A spir-
it of healthy competition prevailed during the
matches and it was a pleasing sight to see the
students cheering their team members.
**EXPERIMENTING IS FUN**

Students of K.G. at MRIS Noida were thrilled with the science experiment they did.

**Experiment is the sole source of truth. It alone can teach us something new…**

Children have a curious mind and love to explore and experiment. Learning can be made interesting and full of fun so that it has a long lasting impression on the little minds. The K.G children of MRIS Noida were thrilled to do the science experiment of the foaming and fizzing reaction of the mixing of vinegar with baking powder to blow a balloon. The children were quite surprised to see the balloon blowing on its own. They were explained that when baking powder was mixed with vinegar, a gas was produced that blew up the balloon. The children loved the experiment and had lots of fun. Exposing children to such experimental learning and fun science at this age will help to foster life-long love for learning.

**THE POET IN EVERY CHILD**

MRIS Noida held a Hindi Week for its K.G. children for them to recite Hindi poems.

“Every child is a poet and every poet is a child.” Poetry is an inevitable part of our lives. It is a beautiful way of expressing our emotions and dreams. MRIS Noida celebrated ‘Hindi Week’ so Hindi Recitation was organized for the K.G children of MRIS, Noida. The children had prepared different poems on fruits, animals, nature etc. It was a pleasing sight to watch the little ones reciting the rhymes with loads of expressions and actions. It was an eventful day and the children had a good time watching their friends perform.

**ORIENTATION FOR MOTHERS**

An orientation session on letter sound relationship was conducted at MRIS Noida for mothers of nursery children.

“A teacher is a mother at school and a mother is a teacher at home.” It is therefore very important that the two of them walk hand in hand for the proper development of a child. Keeping this in mind, an orientation session for Mothers of all nursery children was conducted by highly experienced educators from the Academic Excellence team of Manav Rachna-Ms Elaine Carter and Ms Monica Mukherjee.

Mothers were made aware about the phonic sounds and how we can make even the Nursery children start reading 2-3 letter words. A few fun activities were also conducted like writing with their left hand and closed eyes, to make them understand that it is not easy for such small children to write perfectly and within the given lines and also that recognition of letters, sounds of letters and formation of letters are three different aspects and should not be mixed up. They learnt how to reinforce learning at home so that there is no disparity and confusion between school and home learning.

Parents were very happy and stated that they were proud to be associated with an institute which takes care of all aspects of their child’s development.

**‘MY COUNTRY MY WORLD’**

Nursery students of MRIS, Noida, put up a splendid show at a colourful Assembly based on the theme ‘My Country My World’

Theme Assemblies are a fun and an effective medium to showcase the learning of children to the parents and also to enhance the confidence level of children.

Nursery students of MRIS, Noida, gave a splendid performance at a beautiful and colourful Assembly on the theme “My country My world” on Thursday, 9th October, 2014.

Children wore headdresses and held props which they had created in their learning journey. Parents were amazed to see their children give an impressive performance. Little Nursery kids talking about their country with effortless ease and élan was something to be proud of.

Children also presented before their parents what they do first thing in the morning in Circle time, the time when children talk their hearts out, the time when they learn about the essential and important values of life.

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Everyday sun rises to give us a message that darkness will always be beaten by light and good always defeats evil

Taking this belief further we celebrated Dusshera festival, which is also the festival of victory of good over evil. Children participated in dusshera assembly with great zeal and enthusiasm. Our budding dancers from Kindergarten welcomed Goddess Durga with a scintillating dance performance. Everyone present was spellbound to see the little footsteps dancing on a Bengali song dedicated to Durga Maa. This was followed by class – I students presenting a musical Ramayana which depicted the main events of Lord Ram’s life, along with the reason as to why people all over India celebrates Dusshera. The energy of little ones reached another level when the audience applauded and Principal M'am congratulated each and every performer with her instigating words at the end of assembly.

K.G. children of MRIS Noida were taken to a Fire Station to see for themselves how this emergency service functions

“In wisdom gathered over time I found that every experience is a form of explorations…..”

Small experiences that we have at a tender age have a great impression on our mind for a life time. The K.G children of MRIS Noida were taken to a Fire Station in Noida. It is an emergency service and children need to be aware of it. They could see for themselves and learn how the Fire Brigade looked like and what were the proceedings followed to extinguish the fire. They were first told about the emergency number which we are to dial when there is a fire which is 101. After this they were shown the fire extinguisher and how it worked. A fireman also showed them fire proof clothes that they wore when someone got stuck in the fire. Children asked lots of questions and were curious to know about everything that they observed. It was a great learning experience for them and they were all very excited. They enjoyed themselves and were bubbling with enthusiasm.
I began at your level, participating at the school events and slowly climbed up the ladder to represent my country,” said a humble Vijay Kumar, the world renowned shooter who has represented his country, India, at international events including the Olympics, while addressing an enthusiastic and energetic group of youngsters at the CBSE North Zone II Badminton Tournament. The young crowd was excited to interact with the Shooter who has proud laurels for his country. Dr Amit Bhalla, Vice President Manav Rachna Group introduced Vijay Kumar as a sincere and disciplined sports personality. To the participants he said, “Participate to win and not to defeat the opponent. This will give you strength and to be positive and succeed in your participation.” The Principal Mrs Mamta Wadhwa was full of positive energy and assured the participants that they would go all out to see that everyone was comfortable and played the tournament with fun, frolic and high energy levels. Mr Sarkar Talwar wished all the participants a healthy competition and urged them to play in the right sportsman spirit.

Schools from the entire north zone participated with full vigor and energy. The team from the Little Angels, Sonepat came with a 16 member team and Sahay Thareja and Lalit Dahiya said, ‘We enjoyed participating last year and are looking forward to it this year too.’ Whether it was students from Cambridge school, Amritsar or different branches of DAV school students appreciated the arrangements that were made by the MRIS Sector 14. Aditya Garg and Rohit from Seaba International from Sangrur district said they were looking forward to winning many prizes. Some of the other participating schools which came from far and near were Apeejay School, Jalandhar; Duaba Public School, Punjab; Woodstock Public School, Punjab; Vidy Bharti School, Hisar; Hindu Vidyapeeth, Sonepat; Maharaja Agrasen School, Sirsa; Cambridge International, Jalandhar; St. Mary School, Hisar; O P Jindal Modern School, Hisar; among many others.
GRAND FINALE OF THE CBSE NORTH ZONE II BADMINTON TOURNAMENT

The Grand Finale took place on October 11, 2014. The Girls team from Manav Rachna International School, Sector 14, Faridabad was declared the winners in the under 16 category.

Little Angel Senior Secondary School, Sonipat bagged the Gold Medal in the Boys Under-16 category. Mr. Pushkar Vohra, Director Sports, CBSE and Dr. Prashant Bhalla, President MREI, graced the occasion as a Chief Guest.

Mr. Pushkar Vohra encouraged the students to take part in sports to build a healthy and strong nation. He said, “Sports are very important for nation-building”.

He also appreciated the Manav Rachna Sports Academy for the advanced sports facilities that it provides to all its students.
THE SIMULATIONS AT THE INDIA CALLING EVENT

Infused with fresh ideas from the students of Grades XII, India Calling this year looked at the past, present and future through three unique simulations and aimed to put forth youth ideas on the same.

A SPEAKER OF OUTSTANDING MERIT

At the India Calling fest in Gurgaon, Shubham Sagar Dayma of Suncity School, Gurgaon, won the Best Speakers Prize for his exceptional public speaking skills.

Shubham Sagar Dayma, Grade XI student of Suncity School, Gurgaon, has great reserves of strength and confidence. That, and his convincing rhetoric, got him the Best Speakers Prize along with a cash prize of ₹10,000 at the India Calling Fest in Gurgaon. Despite days of preparation on “The Abrogation of Article 370” (a subject close to his heart), Shubham initially felt terribly let down: he had braced himself to speak in favour of the topic while he was asked to speak against the motion. Not one to give up easily, Shubham improvised on the spot, and spoke his heart out on the issue. What he said left everyone spellbound. It won him the coveted Best Speakers Award.

Debating comes naturally to Shubham and India Calling was by no means his first stint on a public platform. “Two days prior to the event, I won the debate at the Chiranjiv Bharti School, Simulation in progress

DIWALI CELEBRATIONS

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ACTIVITIES AT MRIS SECTOR 51, GURGAON

INVESTITURE CEREMONY

‘LEADERSHIP IS THE CAPACITY TO TRANSLATE VISION INTO REALITY’.

Potential Leaders of tomorrow are groomed, developed and raised in the miniature world of an educational institution through diverse portfolios that are offered to mark a difference. With this objective, the investiture ceremony for the session 2014-15 was held at MRIS-51, Gurgaon on 21st August, 2014. The event was eagerly awaited by all Mrites with bated breath. The newly inducted council pledged to uphold with their utmost sincerity and never-say-die spirit. They marched with their House Flags held high in all pride and glory. It was a moment of grandeur and gaiety when the newly elected Head Boy and Head Girl were handed over the school flag. The objective of the event was to expose the confidence, development of leadership qualities and sense of responsibility among the students. All the newly designated members took the oath, promised to serve the institution and perform their duties whole-heartedly and sincerely. The newly elected members were brimming with confidence to shoulder the assigned duties.

The school vice-principal, Ms Pooja Puri congratulated the council members and encouraged them to display their duties in the ambit of resoluteness and collaboratively build on their skills and competencies to achieve success. She also urged the council to express solidarity, positivity and perseverance to meet the higher standards of excellence.

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION CEREMONY

Manav Rachna International School, Sec-51 Gurgaon, recently held a Proficiency Awards Ceremony for Classes I to VI at the school’s atrium on July 12, 2014 for the academic session 2013-14. The ceremony was organised to recognise the persistence, dedication and perseverance of students, which led them to surpass excellence in academics, co-curricular activities and sports.

The function was graced by the Chairman – Mr Rajesh Kalra, Principal (Mrs Dhriti Malhotra), Vice Principal (Mrs Pooja Puri), distinguished guests and parents.

The programme began with the melodious rendition of the welcome song by the choir, followed by auspicious lamp lighting which filled the atmosphere with a celestial aura. The guests were entertained by song presented by the school choir accompanied by the school orchestra. In the welcome address Principal advised students to be respectful to other cultures as well as people. She underscored the need for determination, integrity, hard work, compassion and recognition of the opportunities to achieve success. Approximately 140 students were awarded with trophies, merit certificates for academics, sports and other areas like music, art etc.

EDUCATIONAL TOUR TO JAIPUR

The students of MRIS 51 Gurgaon went for a 3 day from 22nd August 14 to 24th educational tour to Jaipur. After a brief stop enroute we arrived at Hotel Mansingh Palace, Jaipur and post lunch went to see the “City Palace and Museum” passing HawaMahal and Jal Mahal on the way. The intricate display of weaponry and armor; the royal attire were the most admired. Post dinner, it was time for a “Puppet Show” organized at the Hotel pool side area.

Day 2 Started with visit to Amber Fort with the students travelling in a ‘caravan of jeeps’ right up to the main entrance. Then it was time for “Shopping”. It was also an experience for the student’s to use their money judiciously. Next stop was “Sanganer” to visit Salmi’s paper factory on Gramodyor Road. The students were explained the paper-making process. From there, we proceeded to CHOKHI DHANI: An Ethnic Village. The cultural experience of a Rajasthani village life and its delicious cuisine along with dance, magic show, slides, animal rides, handicraft shops, artificial cave were thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Day 3: We visited Birla Temple located at Moti Dungari hill. We finally started our return journey and reached MRIS 51, Gurgaon at around 7.45pm, to be welcomed by MRIS staff and the eager parents. Finally, the school campus closed…only to reopen the next day, eager to receive the students as always!

We travel not to escape life. But for life not to escape us!
CELEBRATING TEACHER’S DAY

Teacher’s Day celebrations

Touching the Hearts of Gurus with their vision.
A day to honour, to recognize teachers contributions.
For enlightening a child’s mind with knowledge and

motivation.
Dear students, let’s all take a sacred resolution.
To work hard and keep up the teachers expectations.
MRIS-51, Gurgaon celebrated Teacher’s Day with great enthusiasm. The celebration started with chanting of Mantras. Class VI students were dressed up as teachers.

They took over the classes and portrayed the role of their favourite teachers. Students of Grade III- VI conferred the titles to their teachers matching their persona with popular songs.

MRites candidly expressed love and respect for teachers which touched the hearts of their gurus profoundly.

WORKSHOP - ROLE OF A SCHOOL IN A CHILD’S LIFE

Parents play an important role in the lives of children. A child needs a safe home as well school environment in order to be able to grow into a healthy human being. In the past, children had the privilege of listening to grandma/grandpa stories and also the support of a joint family system. But today, nuclear families being the way of life and with both parents working, children find it very difficult to express themselves. While a child of MRIS-51, Gurgaon receives all the required care and protection inside the school, it is not always assured at home not because the parents do not want to provide, but many do not know how to provide. Some of them do not know where to seek information also. MRIS wanted to bridge this gap by arranging parent workshop for parents.

Ms Kanupriya, Conflict Management Expert, is an established & internationally acclaimed Media Person who has been working with children and parents for more than 20 years was roped in to provide interactive session on good parenting skills. With the strong belief that school has the power to change parent’s mind sets and creating a New World for their children, she ventured into thought provoking interactive sessions for the parents at MRIS-51, Gurgaon.

The workshop was organized on 13th September, 2014 Saturday at a convenient time for parents to attend. Parents received various inputs that would certainly help them to bring up their children. The importance of the role of each family member was emphasized upon. Parents also participated and asked a lot of questions during the workshop. It was an enriching session.

WORKSHOP ON INTERNET ADDICTION DISORDER (IAD)

Technology is a gift of mankind. Perhaps the greatest legacy attained by human beings. Internet is the single most important development in the history of human communication. However, as with every other technology, internet too brings with it, the darker side. The internet revolution and evolving trends in cyber crime are making it imperative to address the challenges presented by the darker side of digital revolution. To enlighten the students on the issues of cyber safety, a workshop was organized in the school, conducted by Ms. Mukta Sareen for Grade IV and V students. The aim was to bring about more awareness about the growing addiction of Internet and electronic gadgets among children and adolescents. The students were made aware of what is IAD, its causes and adverse effects on students. Also measures to manage IAD were also discussed. Students were enlightened to attend the fruitful session.

VAN MAHOTSAV

Education should aim at the holistic growth of each child. A positive step towards this noble mission called Van Mahotsav was taken by MRIS-51 with great aplomb and enthusiasm.

Children of classes III and IV planted a sapling and watered it. Meaningful messages were put up all around on the importance of trees and how they are the ‘Lifelines’ by grade I and II. It was followed with a group discussion by the students of V and VI on “Vast Modernization versus Environment” while the students supported the need for modernization and development, they categorically stated that the Environment should not be vitiated and came up with innovative ideas for sustainable development without jeopardizing the non-renewable resources. This was then followed by an inspiring speech by a student urging others to do their bit and save the environment by each one planting one sapling to prevent further desertification of the earth. For this, school created two dustbins and explained the terms Bio-degradable and Non-biodegradable.

Different projects were also undertaken by different classes like - on how illegal poaching of tigers has brought them on the brink of extinction with its resultant detrimental effect on the food chain and ecological balance made everyone sit up and also on how summer holiday can be made meaningful if the students volunteer to do socially productive work like spreading the light of literacy among the unlettered and teaching the importance of planting trees to the impoverished and less fortunate children. At the end of the week, saplings were also gifted to all the children of MRIS.

“IT MATTERS-ALL ABOUT GOOD AND BAD TOUCH”

A workshop on “It Matters- all about Good and Bad Touch” by School counsellor Deepa Aggarwal was organized from 9th September – 8th October 2014 for students of classes Nursery – Grade V. A talk, followed by a video clip was shown to the children. The workshop was to make children understand the importance of being safe and made them aware of how to be safe.
ASSEMBLIES AT MRIS-51 GURGAON

Students of MRIS-51, Gurgaon, participated in various assemblies that were conducted time and again at the School.

A high quality school assembly is one of the most important aspects of a school’s curriculum. Purpose of a school assembly is to develop a feeling of affiliation and unity among students. They give students a sense of identity with the school and enable students to share their experiences, stories, anecdotes with others. Assemblies not only provide them training in good social behavior desired in public life but also motivate students by positive reinforcement in the form of praise or rewards.

GANDHI JAYANTI, NAVRATRI AND DUSSEHRA CELEBRATIONS

MRIS 51 Gurgaon celebrated Gandhi Jayanti, Navratri and Dussehra with much pomp and fanfare and left audiences spellbound.

A ‘Special Assembly’ on Gandhi Jayanti and Dussehra was organized by MRIS 51, Gurgaon on September 30, 2014. It is a constant endeavor by the school staff to impart moral and social values to students. Students spoke about our great leader Mahatma Gandhi and paid homage to him by singing his favourite dhun “Raghupati Raghav Rajaram…”. They came to know about the virtues which Gandhiji followed throughout his lifetime. They were made aware that 2nd October is celebrated as Gandhi Jayanti i.e. Birthday of Mahatma Gandhi. Also they were apprised about the fact that another great leader of our country Sh. Lal Bahadur Shastri who was the Second Prime Minister of the Republic of India shares his birthday with Gandhiji. Thereafter, students talked about the festival of Dussehra. The students enjoyed doing Garba and dandia to the beats of navratri music.

On the auspicious occasion of Dussehra, students of grade III –B presented Ramlila in a special assembly. It brought the students closer to our religious heritage and culture. Students did a dramatic folk re-enactment of the life of Rama. Students were made aware of this old tradition that originates from the Indian subcontinent. They were told that this play is staged annually often over ten or more successive nights, during the auspicious period of ‘Sharad Navratras’, which marks the commencement of the Autumn festive period, starting with the Dussehra festival. Usually the performances are timed to culminate on the festival of Vijayadashami day, that commemorates the victory of Rama over demon king Ravana. They were also informed about the Dussehra celebrations. It was told that giant effigies of Ravana, his brother Kumbhakaran and son Meghanath are set on fire, and coronation or abhisheka of Rama at Ayodhya takes place, marking the culmination of festivities and restoration of the divine order. It seemed that students embodied the heavenly souls and left the audience spellbound. The scene depicting Lord Rama’s Swayamvar and the victory of Lord Rama over Demon Ravana were enthralling and educational. Students were mesmerised by the tunes of ‘Mangal bhavan amangal hari.......’

Students of MRIS-51, Gurgaon time and again. The special assembly on Independence day, Paragon unit 2 Ancient Rome , Family, Good manners, Teachers Day etc were conducted.
GRANDPARENTS DAY CELEBRATION

MRIS 51 Gurgaon celebrated Grandparents Day wherein children impressed their grandparents and made them feel special.

Grandparents are special to every child. Their bedtime stories are an integral part of everyone’s growing up years. They are also the wise and experienced ones we turn to in times of trouble. Their knowledge is invaluable and their love unconditional. In keeping with this, Manav Rachna international School celebrated Grandparents’ Day on 26th September, 2014. Tiny tots in colourful attires were all excited to perform before their grandparents. They tapped their feet to the medley of songs for their dear grandparents and dramas unfolded the little ones’ love for them. An overjoyed grandparent, said, “I feel proud to see my grandchild performing on stage. It is a nice feeling to see the school inculcate such values in such young souls.” Others too lauded the school’s effort. Another grandparent, said, “The school is doing a great job of reviving moral values in our society. These days, children often don’t respect or have time for the elderly and go about doing their own work. I am happy that my grandchild is learning to value us.”

Kids, too, were elated to surprise their loved ones with such special performances. After the class performances the grandparents were encouraged to take part in dance competition, ramp walk, and presentation of titles was also one of the features of the program. All in all, it was a great success.

EDUCATIONAL TRIPS

MRIS-51, Gurgaon, sent their early years students to a construction site, Fire Station, Big Bazaar and Easy day departmental store to bring excitement and adventure to their learning.

Field trips are a great way to bring excitement and adventure to learning. A focused field trip can be the perfect vehicle to introduce new skills and concepts to kids and reinforce ongoing lessons. Kids visiting different educational facilities learn in a more hands-on and interactive manner than they do in school. Field trips give them a welcome break from routine. Keeping the same in mind MRIS-51, Gurgaon, sent their early years students to a construction site, Fire Station, Big Bazaar and Easy day departmental store.
THEMENASSEMBLYOF TODDLERS

The toddlers of MRIS 46 looked adorable as they came dressed up in different costumes for their first Theme Assembly held on 2nd August 2014, Saturday. The theme was ‘Dressing Up’ where they learned about different types of clothing and accessories. They learned about the different clothes worn across India, the clothes and uniforms worn by our community helpers and the different types of clothes for different seasons. They covered topics on comfort clothing, casual clothing, formal clothing as well as party wear. The parents were extremely happy and excited to watch their kids perform, as were the kids to perform for their parents!!!

ACTIVITIESAT MRIS 46, GURGAON

THEY NOWQUALIFY FOR THE WORLD
ROBOTICSOLYMPIAD

2 teams of MRIS 46 bagged the first position at the national level of Indian Robotics Olympiad in the Elementary Regular Category and Junior High Open Category. The teams comprising of Rohan Verma, Franshu Yadav & Jayant Sharma (Elementary Regular Category) and Dhruv Wadhwa & Atreyu Balasundaram (Junior High Open Category) have qualified for the World Robotics Olympiad to be held in Russia in November.

1ST NCR OPEN MANAV RACHNA INTER SCHOOL
SWIMMINGCHAMPIONSHIP2014

The 1st NCR Open Manav Rachna Inter School Swimming Championship 2014 began in MRIS 46, Gurgaon on the 24th of September 2014. 14 Leading schools across NCR participated in the 2 day championship. The schools which participated were:
- Aravalli International School, Faridabad
- DAV Sector 14, Faridabad
- Millennium School, Noida
- Scottish High International School, Gurgaon
- DPS International School, Gurgaon
- Salwan Public School, Gurgaon
- Lotus Valley International School, Gurgaon
- Heritage School, Gurgaon
- MRIIS Charmwood, Faridabad
- MRIS Sector 14, Faridabad
- MRIS 21C, Faridabad
- MRIS Sector 51, Gurgaon
- MRIS 46, Gurgaon (host school)

Day 1 of the event saw the inauguration ceremony graced by Mr. Sarkar Talwar (Director Sports MREI), Mr. Sunny Bansal (Executive Director, MRIS46) & Ms. Dhriti Malhotra (Principal MRIS 46). After a short cultural presentation, Mr. Sarkar Talwar addressed the gathering and reiterated the MRIS initiative to encourage and expose students to all sports events in order to bring out and groom young sporting talent. He also declared the meet open.

On day 1 of the event students participated in the Under 10 & 12 boys and girls categories. The best swimmer in the Under 10 Category Boys was Kabir Jaggi of DPS International School, Gurgaon and Anjali Tanwar of Aravalli International School Faridabad was declared the best swimmer Under 10 Girls. Sheryansh and Yee Eun Lee of Aravalli International School, Faridabad bagged the Best Swimmer award in the Under 12 Boys and Girls category respectively.

Students on Day 2 competed with one another in the Under 14 and Under 16 boys and girls category. Mayank Grover and Swikriti of Scottish High International School bagged the Best Swimmer Award in Under 14 boys and girls category respectively. Puneet Tokas of MRIS46 and Mehar of Scottish High International School won the Best Swimmer award in Under 16 Category.

TRIP TO NEHRU PLANETARIUM

A trip to Nehru Planetarium was arranged for the students of Grade II, MRIS 46 as a part of IPC theme ‘Me and My Universe’. The trip aimed to let the students experience the solar world through a guided planetarium tour. While there, they also watched the show on the ‘Formation of Planets and their Moons’. Post the planetarium visit, students also visited the adjacent Nehru Museum and learnt about Pt. Nehru’s childhood, freedom fighters and key people involved in the framing of the constitution.

GIRLS...YOU DID IT AGAIN

The MRIS 46 Girls Gurgaon Team secured the 1st Position at the 28th State Level Haryana Sports Competition 2014 held at Dalbir Singh Stadium, Sirsa from 28th – 30th October. 11 District Teams participated in the event. Representing MRIS 46 were 7 bright gymnasts who have done the school proud again and again in the sport- Divsha Aggarval, Aashna Sharma, Komal Apte, Nitya Mishra, Ritika Jain, Mehika Agarwal and Saranjit Kaur. In the All Round Best Category, Ritika Jain of Grade 5 secured the 2nd position and Komal Apte of Grade IV bagged the 3rd position. MRIS 46 congratulates these young achievers along with their coach Ms. Altana and wishes them many more such successes.
Success is the result of preparation.........@

MRIS-14

The students at MRIS-14 are on their path towards climbing the ladder of success through hard work and determination. Radhika Khattar of batch 2013–14 cleared AIPMT and got admission in MBBS at Latur Govt. Medical College, Maharashtra. Not only she but Vishal Vashisht of batch 2012–13 who secured 1017 rank also got admission in MBBS in Kalinga University, Odisha. This is indeed a remarkable achievement not only for the students but also for the school. We wish them all the best for their future endeavor.

Shivam Madan also qualified in the Muzzafar Nagar Medical College and Sonalika qualified in the Govt. Medical College, Latoon, Maharashtra.

Sachet Kachroo also got through in the Bachelor of Industrial Design in Symbiosis Pune. This is indeed a remarkable achievement not only for the students but also for the school.

STAR ACHIEVERS OF MRIS-14 IN OLYMPIAD EXAMS

The students of MRIS-Sector 14, Faridabad participated in the various olympiad exams organized by Science Olympiad Foundation and Edu Heal Foundation. Their competitive spirit helped them in excelling in these exams. They brought laurels to the school by winning medals and made the school proud.

Students who received Gold Medals in the 1st level of Olympiad exams :-

NCO-(National Cyber Olympiad)

1.GRADE 2  PARNIKA BHAT
2.GRADE 3  SAANVI GOEL
3.GRADE 4  SAGARIKA KAPUR
4.GRADE 5  KRISHNA GUPTA
5.GRADE 6  LAKSHMAN PRASAD
6.GRADE 7  SIDHARTH SEHRAWAT

NSO-(National Science Olympiad)

1.GRADE 1  MANYA GUPTA
2.GRADE 2  CHAITANYA GOYAL
3.GRADE 3  SAANVI GOEL
4.GRADE 4  VIHAAN PURI
5.GRADE 5  ISHITA BINDRA
6.GRADE 6  LAXMAN PRASAD
7.GRADE 7  RIYA GOEL
8.GRADE 8  PRAKSHI SUNEJA
9.GRADE 9  ARNAV PRAASAD
10.GRADE 10 INDERPREET SINGH CHERA
11.GRADE 11  REEYA GUPTA

IMO-(International Mathematics Olympiad)

1.GRADE 1  TEJASVOHRA
2.GRADE 2  SAMAIRA BANGA

3.GRADE 3  YASHVARYA GOEL
4.GRADE 4  SAGARIKA KAPUR
5.GRADE 5  ISHITA BINDRA
6.GRADE 6  LAXMAN PRASAD
7.GRADE 7  ANUSHKA JINDAL
8.GRADE 8  YASHIKA CHUGH
9.GRADE 9  DAAMAN SUNEJA
10.GRADE 10 INDERPREET SINGH CHERA
11.GRADE 11  ARPIT CHAWLA

National Interactive Maths Olympiad (NIMO)

Grade 1  GRANTH MANOCHA
         DISHA CHHABRA
Grade 2  ANKITA GULATI
Grade 3  KABIR PUNDIR
Grade 4  ARYAN DHIR
         DEVANSHIKA GUPTA
         SAGARIKA KAPUR
Grade 5  KSHITIZ KSHATTE
Grade 6  SHREY GUPTA
Grade 7  ANUSHKA JINDAL
Grade 9  ARNAV PRAASAD
Grade 10 INDERPREET SINGH CHERA

Interactive English Olympiad (IEO)

Grade 1  JANAYA KOUUL
Grade 2  JOYEEA MITTRA
Grade 3  SAANVI GOEL
         YASHVARYA GOYAL
         SAGARIKA KAPUR
Grade 4  DEVANSHIKA GUPTA
Grade 5  ISHITA BINDRA
         KSHITIZ KSHATTE
Grade 6  DAKSH JUNEJA
Grade 7  KANISHKA GOYAL
Grade 10 RAHUL VERMA

MRIS-14 students win theBest Country Profile Award

Ryan International school Gurgaon hosted the Model United Nation (MUN) in their school on the 17th and 18th of July. 9 Students of MRIS-14 participated and brought laurels to the school at RYAN MUN. They toiled hard to give their best. They bagged the trophy for the Best Country Profile. Their country profile was Uganda, and out of 15 schools our profile was chosen as the best. This award has indeed further motivated the students who are now eagerly looking forward to participate in similar events.

Debate Competition held at the Institute of Charted Accountancy

The Institute of Charted Accountancy of India conducted a debate competition at branch level on August 30 2014. 14 school participated and contestants debated on the topic-smart phone: A FRIEND OR FOE IN MY SOCIAL LIFE. The speaker of mris Sector 14, Sneha Narayan bagged 2nd position at individual level and Manav Rachana International School Sector -14 bagged second in the best school category. The winners of branch level competition are eligible to take part in the respective regional level competition which will be held in November/December 2014 by the regional councils of ICAI.

Quiz Competition at Manav Rachna International University

Manav Rachna International University conducted a quiz competition on ‘Nutrition’ on September 1st 2014. Five schools participated and went through 6 rounds. The trophy was earned by Manav Rachna International School, Sec-14. Simran Thakural of XII A and Nisha Mangardao of class XII were felicitated and appreciated by all for their marvelous lead. They were presented hampers from Safola. It was a very well organized and informative Quiz.
ACTIVITIES AT MRIS SECTOR 14, FARIDABAD

Sixty seven years down memory lane, on the midnight of 15th August, 1947, the soul of our nation long suppressed found utterance. We at MRIS-14 felt proud to celebrate our 67 years of freedom. The school organized an ‘Independence Day’ as well as ‘Investiture Ceremony’ as we believe that “Freedom comes with responsibility.” The esteemed guest for the day Ms. Jasmine Sharma, CJM cum Secretary with District Legal Authority, Faridabad, our Chief Patron, Ms Satya Bhalla, Executive Director, Ms Deepika Bhalla were given a warm welcome by the school band. The programme began with the lighting of the ceremonial lamp, the ‘Lamp of Freedom’ with the belief that it would spread the light of patriotism amongst the young generation.

The Investiture ceremony is a momentous event for any institution. Independence Day is the best day to hold such a ceremony as the students of today are the torchbearers of tomorrow. The School HeadGirl, Head Boy, House Captains, Vice Captains, Captions for Environment, Culture Discipline, Cleanliness, various prefects and linguistic prefects were announced and were given the badges and sashes by the chief guests. The Principal made them take the oath to abide by the school rules, maintain high levels of discipline, look after the school property and contribute towards the overall development of the school.

The Chief Guest, Ms. Jasmine, herself being a captain in school days was thrilled to be a part of the function. She spoke about the fundamental rights and duties and asked the students to abide by the laws. It was followed by a dance drama depicting the life of martyrs Shaheed Bhagat Singh, Rajguru and Sukhdev. Our Chief Patron and guide Ms Satya Bhallaji thanked the chief guest and asked the students to follow the words of Ms. Jasmine.

Inter House Dance Competition
It was time for the students of MRIS, Sector-14, grade IV to put on their dancing shoes and stand together for their house. The event was Inter House Dance Competition based on Patriotism which took place on 12th August’14. All the four houses stood well rehearsed and performed brilliantly, awakening the spirit of brotherhood and oneness among the audience. Red Jaguars bagged the First position, Green leopards and Yellow Tigers stood second and Blue Panthers stood third.

A ‘RUN FOR UNITY’ AND STRENGTH

Manav Rachna Educational Institutions on the occasion of the Birth Anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, celebrated ‘Rashtriya Ekta Diwas’ with a ‘RUN FOR UNITY’

Around 500 students and faculty members from various Manav Rachna Educational Institutions enthusiastically took part in a ‘Run for Unity’ to celebrate ‘Rashtriya Ekta Diwas’ and commemorate the 139th birth anniversary of India’s first home minister Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. The students were asked to build on his legacy and show their solidarity and strength towards a united country.

The ‘Run for Unity’ was flagged off from the Manav Rachna International University (MRIU) campus by Dr. N. C Wadhwa, Vice Chancellor, MRIU. Students made a symbolic run from the MRIU campus to the Sidhhdatta Ashram on the Surajkund Road in Faridabad. The run symbolized our resolve to preserve the unity, integrity and security of the nation keeping in view the mantra of ‘Ek Bharat Shreshth Bharat’ as recalled by Prime Minster Shri Narendra Modi during his address to the youth and people from all walks of life at Rajpath, New Delhi. In their ‘Run for Unity’, all students and faculty members at Manav Rachna also undertook the ‘Rashtriya Ekta Diwas Pledge’ which was administered by Dr. N. C. Wadhwa. While flagging off the run, Dr. Wadhwa said, “This run is a celebration of unity and a salute to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel who stood for national integrity”. For a student from MRDC participating in the Run, the occasion was “an affirmation of India’s unity amidst the rich diversity of its culture and heritage”. The ‘Run for Unity’ also gave MREI’s students “an opportunity to take part in an initiative that had recreated history and united the nation as a whole” as an FMS student aptly put it. A documentary on the philosophies and life of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, the ‘Iron Man of India’ was screened for the students at MREI. They also participated in a debate to spread the message of unity and solidarity.
WE TEACH OUR STUDENTS TO EXPERIENCE

Experience is a way of life at the Manav Rachna Schools. Whether it is experiencing the feel good, feel live at the Radio Manav Rachna or learning to put their thoughts into writing – it’s all about learning in a fun-filled manner. These are experiences which our students enjoy.

My first experience as Radio Panelist at Radio Manav Rachna……

My goodness! What an experience. I felt so good and lucky that my teachers gave me the opportunity to be a part of the live radio talk show. It was an experience of its kind. I was very excited as so many people could hear me. I shared my experience of being a student of MRIS-14, as to how it has been grooming my personality to become a confident and aware student. I also thanked the motivator and guide, our Principal Mam, Ms. Mamta Wadhwa. It was really a wonderful feeling to sit in a sound proof room with mikes. In the beginning, I was little nervous but as the interaction began I was confident enough to talk flawlessly. We also sang song and recited poems. I shall never forget this experience in life.

Yashika Tripathi
V-D, MRIS Sector 14, Faridabad

My First Experience as a Radio Panelist at Radio Manav Rachna

All of us love to listen to FM Radio channels and have our own favourites. My favourite ones are Radio city and Radio Manav Rachna. I had never thought that I would ever be on air on one of these. My school gave me this wonderful opportunity. I participated in a ‘Live Show’ with my classmate Yashika and my teacher Ms. Diksha. I was both nervous and excited. My father told that I was the first person in the whole family to ever appear on a Radio Channel. We were amazed when we finally reached the studio of FM Manav Rachna. It was a big sound proof room with lots and lots of equipments. The host of our show was RJ Shadab. Who made us feel very comfortable. It was a nice experience making everyone aware about the uniqueness of our school. I would remember these moments I spent in the studio for a long long time. I thank my school for giving me this golden opportunity.

Disha Mahajan
V-B, MRIS Sector 14, Faridabad

Poem On India

Gandhiji a very good leader
Jawaharlal Nehru is a very good person
He wants to celebrate his birthday with the babies; and cut the cake with the babies
Gandhiji say I don't want to see
Any thrown wrappers
And I want to see
Clean clean clean clean and clean
Clean clean clean clean and clean
And Jawaharlal Nehru ji wants
To play with babies and
They be happy

Written By Kartik Verma
KG-7, MRIS- 46 Gurgaon

Put on Paper by Kartik’s Mom

In her note to the teacher she writes
Kartik said “he has to write the poem on India”

Attaching the poem please. I have written exactly what he dictated to me with no corrections at all. I felt you need to see the original piece. Thank you all because his poem reflects that he is learning in school. I am indeed very proud today.

Best Regards
Ms Preeti Verma, Kartik’s Mom

Experiencing the address of the Honourable Prime Minister of India

The Senior Staff along with the Principal Ms. Mamta Wadhwa and the Vice-Principal Ms. Geeta Karunakaran, and children of Manav Rachna International School, Sector 14, Faridabad attended the live telecast of the interaction of our Honorable Prime Minister with the children of various schools across India on the occasion of Teacher’s Day. The Children were completely inspired by the Prime Minister and took home many valuable advices. In fact, they expressed a desire to now want a personal interaction with the Prime Minister. The entire session was well-timed and appreciated by one and all present.

A Golden Opportunity

I got an opportunity to meet to the author of the petpost secret -Ms. Radhika R. Dhariwal. I would like to thank the NIE program by Times of India for this privilege. Along with me there were students of numerous recognized schools who were the NIE school reporters. The dignitories included the vice chancellor-MRIU Mr. N C Wadhwa along with his team and CEO, Sr. Editor and the chief editor of TOI. The students were given a chance to ask questions about the novel to the author and the editor of TOI-Mr. Vikas Singh. The questions put by the students were quite interesting and the panel answered all of them with great enthusiasm and the knowledge shared by them was just amazing. There were prizes for the budding reporters as well as luck draw for the students. I got to learn a lot with this session about journalism, writing and the NIE program. I look further to more such interactive sessions.

-Yashika Chugh
Class 9 A, MRIS Sector 14
CONGRATULATIONS SHOOTERS
MRIS 46 Gurgaon proudly congratulates its students Priyawart, Vanshaj & Kunal for their performance at the recently concluded Inter District Shooting Championship (Junior category) held at Tughlakhabad. Priyawart has bagged a Bronze medal at this competition; both Kunal & Priyawart have qualified for the Haryana State Shooting Championship. The duo is now practicing for the upcoming 24th GV Mavlankar (pre-national) Shooting Championship to be held at Ahmedabad in October. We wish them best of luck!

GYMNASTIC CHAMPS
The MRIS-46 Gymnastics team won accolades at the recently concluded District Level Inter Center Gymnastics Championship held at Nehru Stadium. The U-11 team comprising of Komal Apte, Mehika Agarwal, Nitya Mishra, Ritika Jain & Saranjit Kaur performed brilliantly at the event. Komal, Mehika & Nitya secured the first three positions respectively in the Balancing Beam category. In the Floor Exercise category Nitya, Komal & Ritika were awarded the first three positions respectively. Komal Apte was declared the All Round Best Gymnast. The team has also qualified for the State Level Championship. Congratulations to the team for their stellar performance.

CELEBRATING DUSERA:
Victory of Good over Evil
MRIS 46 held a special assembly for the Primary School to mark Gandhi Jayanti, Dusshera and Navratri, all symbolic of victory of good over evil. The assembly began with bhajans sung by the junior choir which was joined in by all the students. Incidents from the life of Mahatma Gandhi were replicated for all to be inspired from. This was followed by a mini ‘ramlila’ by the students and a durga puja dance wherein teachers too joined the students in celebrating festivities.

LIVE JAM CONCERT AT MRIS-46
An action packed musical morning was conducted by the NGO ‘Live Jam’, on 06 October,’14, at MRIS 46. The theme for this presentation was ‘Live Out Loud’. It was a band presentation and through foot tapping music and vocals, they addressed youth related issues like peer pressure, depression and substance abuse. The brain child of 23 year old Bonny Andrew, the presentation also included singing, dancing and sharing of personal stories by the students of Grade 7 to 12. The session got everyone dancing and singing, teachers and students alike.
Inter Manav Rachna Roller Skating Championship’14

The fourth Manav Rachna Inter School Roller Skating Beginners Meet was an effort to provide a platform to the participants to show their skills and imbibe values like integrity, sportsmanship, endurance and harmony. It exposed them to the new facets of sports and prepares them for the future.

Manav Rachna, Sector 51, Gurgaon was proud to host the 4th Manav Rachna Inter School Roller Skating Beginners Meet which was held on 14th July 2014 at MRIS-51 in the school premises. The day of the event wore a festive look with flags and banners adding colors to the venue. The event was graced by the Principal (Mrs Dhriti Malhotra). To welcome the esteemed guests children presented an enthralling performance combined with style and confidence. 350 children participated from different branches of Manav Rachna. The championship was won by MRIS 51 and 46 with equal points. It was a win-win situation for both the branches.

Perfect Open roller skating championship-2014: At Swiss Cottage School. The young skaters of MRIS-51, Gurgaon brought laurels by winning six gold medals, one silver and three bronze medals in Perfect Open Roller Skating Championship-2014, organised by RajPutana Sports Foundation at Swiss Cottage School on 7th September, 2014. It is a great pride and honour for all the Mrites.

Winners at Suncity and Maurya school: The talented team of Manav Rachna, Sector 51, Gurgaon students bagged 2 prizes in an inter school competition held at The Maurya School and 1 prize in an interschool competition held at The Suncity World School, Gurgaon on 22nd August 2014 and 29th August 2014.

“Confidence is most often the offspring of preparedness” these timeless words apply to every competition for which our school students are groomed. Thorough preparedness, minutest attention to every aspect of costumes/speeches/dialogues etc and grueling training given to the participants ensured that the students went for the tough fight in the stiffly contested competitions held in both the Schools where city’s best schools participated. KUDOS TO ALL THE WINNERS!

Coffee with MOM

Our team planned one involvement session—“COFFEE WITH Morn” for mothers of Bloomz and Toddlers. It was the step school took in the direction for the enhanced and successful development of our little ones. The session aimed at clearing the apprehensions and mothers were given tips on how to gainfully get involved in child’s schooling. The session also involved different activities like Rain shower Craft and doll making where in mothers made beautiful dolls for their little ones.

Indo Japanese Conclave at MRIU

Manav Rachna International University organized Indo-Japanese Conclave-II in collaboration with Tsukuba University, Japan. The Conclave raised awareness about the crucial contribution of Exercises and Neural Health in keeping people well, mobile and independent. A rehabilitation program was also charted out during the event. The Department of Physiotherapy, Faculty of Applied Sciences (FAS), Manav Rachna International University (MRJU) has taken a quantum leap to towards strengthening Indo-Japanese relationships. The Faculty in collaboration with Tsukuba University, Japan organized ‘Indo Japanese Conclave-II’ on 18 October 2014 on the theme “Neuro-therapeutics: Leading the Connections”. A galaxy of senior dignitaries such as Chief Guest Dr. V.K. Mahna (Pro-Vice Chancellor, MRJU), Dr. Anil Sarin (Dean, Faculty of International Programmes, MRJU), Professor Umesh Kalra (Dean, Faculty of Commerce and Humanities and Faculty of Media Studies) graced the eventful occasion. Eminent speakers included Professor Hideaki Soya (Prof., Exercise Biochemistry, University of Tsukuba), Professor (Dr) Randeep Rakwal (Neuro-immunologist, Tsukuba University, Japan), Dr. Himanshu Arora (Consultant Neurosurgeon & HOD, Goldfield Hospitals), Dr Harpreet Singh (Physiotherapist, AIIMS, New Delhi) and Dr. Gurmeet Kaur (Capri Institute).

Several students and delegates got a platform to enrich themselves with knowledge gleaned from eminent speakers around the globe in a Conclave that was brimming with new ideas and thoughts.

‘Cultural Fiesta’ at MRIS-51, GURGAON

“Saare jahan se achchha Hindustan humara…..” With the advent of the month of August, all of us were filled with a zeal and enthusiasm to express the feeling of unity and secularism as we participated to celebrate the spirit of India- ‘Unity in Diversity’. In line with this, the students and teachers of the Grade I-VI, of MRIS-51, Gurgaon celebrated the whole week from (04.08.14-08.08.14) as ‘INDIA WEEK’. The aim of this week was to foster better appreciation and enjoyment in learning the colourful culture, tradition and celebrations of INDIA. The school organised this cultural fiesta in which most of the states were covered. The school premise was buzzing with enthusiasm, brimming with confidence as students gleefully engrossed themselves in activities of their choice. The classes were adorned with spectacular, magnificent festive look with flags, banners, hangings, decorative items of different states adding colours and life to the classes as well as the school premises. The journey of the exciting week engaged children and teachers in various activities like: KNOW YOUR STATE, KHANA KHAZANA, ARTISTS AT WORK and FOLKLORE. They learnt about facts, food and traditional art forms and music of the states allotted to them. The week culminated in a beautiful Mélange of the learning outcome of the students. It was a rich learning experience for the students of grades I-VI who cherished the value of freedom and patriotism.

Together we all made an endeavor to make a small difference in the lives of our students!!
SAY NO TO CRACKERS

Hundreds of students from Manav Rachna International schools and the Manav Rachna International University participated in a mass awareness campaign

Students carried out peaceful processions and presented Nukkad Nataks at malls in Delhi NCR and the key intersections in Faridabad.

Students from Manav Rachna International Schools (MRIS) in Faridabad and the Manav Rachna International University (MRIU) sensitized audiences through ‘Nukkad Nataks’ and peaceful processions. As part of the campaign, students visited various malls in Delhi and Faridabad (Select City Walk, Saket; MGF mall, Saket; DLF mall, Saket; Crown Interiorz, Faridabad, among others) and the key intersections in Faridabad (Neelam Chowk, B K Chowk, Sector 15 market, Sector 21 C market) to spread the message “say no to crackers and yes to life”. Some pedestrians who stopped to look at the march also joined in the procession.

While flagging off the rally, Mrs. Satya Bhalla, Chief Patron, MREI said: “We have been organizing the anti-cracker rally for the past 4 years with a focus on keeping the environment clean and green. These initiatives help our students become better and well-rounded citizens. These campaigns change the thinking of people and bring more social awareness.”

JOSH - District Interact Leadership Assembly for the Interact Clubs under Rotary International District 3010 for the year 2014-15 was held at Manav Rachna International University

JOSH, the power of youth, was the focus of the soul enlightening District Interact Leadership Assembly organized for the Interact Clubs under Rotary International District 3010 for the year 2014-15. Held at the plush auditorium of Manav Rachna International University (MRIU), the Assembly was privileged to have several senior dignitaries such as Col. (Retd) V.K. Gaur (Advisor, Manav Rachna Educational Institutions), Ms Sanyogita Sharma (Director Principal, Manav Rachna International School, Charmwood) and MRIU alumnus and Asian Games 2014 bronze medalist Shweta Chowdhury as the chief guests.

Quite in keeping with the spirit of the Assembly, Shweta Chowdhury became the Youth Icon at the event where she was felicitated with the Certificate of Honour and given a standing ovation by the audience. The Assembly was in fact a happy mix of the young and the old as 350 students from 25 schools and a galaxy of Rotarians and academicians attended the meet.

The District Interact Leadership Assembly (DILA) was convened by the Youth Services Avenue of Rotary International. The Assembly had in its midst members of Interact Clubs from various schools of Delhi-NCR including Amity International School, Pushp Vihar, Amity International School, Saket, Manav Rachna International School, Charmwood, Red Roses Public School, Saket, Apeejay School, Saket, Birla Vidya Niketan, Pushp Vihar, Gyan Bharati School, Saket. The meet provided students the perfect opportunity to listen to inspirational addresses and attend leadership training classes.
‘WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY’ CELEBRATED

Organized by Manav Rachna International University in collaboration with District Legal Services Authority, Faridabad and Asian Institute of Medical Sciences, Faridabad

Manav Rachna International University (MRIU) in association with District Legal Services Authority, Faridabad and Asian Institute of Medical sciences organized a seminar on “Mental Health Issues and NALSA and HSLSA services for the mentally ill persons and persons with mental disabilities” on the occasion of World Mental Health Day on 10 October, 2014.

Shri Inderjeet Mehta, Hon’ble District & Session Judge-cum-Chairman, District Legal Services Authority, Faridabad; Dr. Prashant Bhalla, Chancellor, MRIU; Dr. N. K. Pandey, CMD, Asian Institute of Medical Sciences; Dr. (Mrs.) Manchanda, Sr. Consultant Secretary, Asian Institute of Medical Sciences; Dr. N. C. Wadhwa, Vice Chancellor, MRIU; Ms. Jasmine Sharma, Chief Judicial Magistrate, Faridabad; Dr. Chavvi Bhargava Sharma, Dean, FMS, MRIU; along with other senior dignitaries were present on the occasion. Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Prashant Bhalla stressed on the need for sufficient healthcare facilities and the stigma associated with mental health issues. He also shared the continuous endeavors of the Manav Rachna Educational Institutions towards betterment of the society. Dr. N K Pandey said: “The need of the hour is to deal sensitively with persons with mental disabilities and to create awareness about the treatment facilities available across the country. Mental health issues are no longer a taboo and we must make sufficient efforts to eradicate the stigma.”

Shri Inderjeet Mehta, special guest on the occasion said “Most of the mental health issues are related to stress which is self-created”. Senior doctors and practitioners from Asian Institute of Medical Sciences educated the audience on various mental health issues such as depression, schizophrenia, anxiety, etc.

COURSE OF THE FUTURE...

MRIU conducts professional courses for the Defence Personnel to help them chart the course of their ‘second’ careers

The Directorate General of Resettlement (DGR), Ministry of Defence, R.K. Puram, New Delhi, conducts resettlement courses for the benefit of the Armed Forces personnel prior to their superannuation.

MRIU on its part is conducting three courses namely—Supply Chain Management, Retail Management and Library Information Services—on behalf of the DGR. The courses revolve round theoretical inputs by experienced Faculty, hands on practice on computers and industrial visits. MRIU is therefore extending its hand towards the accomplishment of the mission of DGR and playing an active role in contributing towards the national goal. The Defence Personnel attending the 16 week course on Supply Chain Management at the MRIU campus are an enthusiastic lot and quick to learn and respond. Khushbu Vivek Pal, Webcontroller, MRIU, who takes their classes, will testify to that: “They are very responsive and lose no time in clearing their doubts.”

Khushbu has been assigned the task of teaching them about computers, MS Office, emails, Internet browsing and photoshop basics.

Talking about the future, Sergeant Abhishek Mishra of the Indian Airforce Services, seems optimistic and forthright. He says, “The Supply Chain Management Course will help me get a job in the private sector where they need people for logistics support.”

Sergeant Devendra Singh, also of the Indian Airforce Services, could not agree more. “This Supply Chain Management course will become an important component of my career following my retirement from the Armed forces.” Sergeant Singh has a PG Diploma in Financial Management and looks forward to a career in banking where the course would prove greatly beneficial in future. The Defence Personnel who are at MRIU are soon going to step into “their second innings” post their early retirement in the Defence Services.

But it is not the end of the road for them. For, as Khushbu rightly puts it, “A journey is going to end but with new beginnings, new inspirations, new hopes and new goals...”

MRIS CHARMWOOD SPREADS THE MESSAGE OF A GREEN DIWALI

Manav Rachna international school organized Anti cracker campaign in around NCR

Students of Manav Rachna international School, Charmwood sensitized people through various programs like street play (Hall bol) and songs about how to have an eco friendly Diwali in Select City mall and DLF Metropolitan Mall, Saket with a motto. Students spread the message “say no to crackers and yes to life”. Our students through the street play was trying to impart that be human to mankind and let’s join hands together to celebrate injury free Diwali. They sang a rap song on Diwali where which added aura to the festive mood.

People were convinced and appreciated the effort to bring awareness through the students of our school.

Spreading the message of a green environment
Science has certainly helped make the world a more comfortable place to live in. Scientists are of the firm belief that if the material comforts and other amenities could be further improved; human beings would be far happier. Today as never before there is a wide range of luxuries at man’s disposal. But strongly; man, instead of becoming more happy, seems distressed and discontented with life.

Our ancient spiritual thinkers on the other hand came to the conclusion that external objects of enjoyment cannot in themselves bring an increase in happiness or peace. What is needed is a healthy inner personality. And to give some meaning to human life, spiritual endeavor is a must.

Spiritual learning helps man develop the healthy personality and outlook. Man’s personality is clogged with negative tendencies and imperfections. To clean one’s clogged personality noble values of life are to be imbued.

The five sense organs of man eyes, ears, nose, tongue and skin have a natural tendency to gravitate towards external world of objects and indulge in them freely. Man gets intoxicated by the joys arising out of those objects and gradually loses his energy and vigor through such indulgence. But if one were to contact the sense objects in a disciplined manner, he can enjoy great sense of freedom. Of all living creatures; it is man alone who has the ability to choose and act. Every other creature acts on impulse and instinct. Man has fallen into habit of complaining that the world is full of evil and full of problems and one cannot improve oneself in such circumstances. Such an idea is strongly denounced by all religions. All one has to do is to view life correctly and understand life as a whole. The happenings in the world remain problems only because we do not know how to properly face them. With understanding of life as a whole through regular efforts of spiritual studies, through concentration of mind (sadhna – meditation) & yoga, one can rise above ones ego-centric constricted desires one gains new inspiration and his mind is no more riddled with petty desires. The higher the ideal man places before himself, the broader becomes his outlook on life. The noblest of all ideals is to work for Lord himself, to be His Ambassador, to make His will our own. The lower animalistic tendencies which once held sway over us slowly disappear like mist before the dawn. Thus you became a serene, peaceful personality with inner bliss.
MANAV RACHNA SHINES AT INDIA INTERNATIONAL TRADE FAIR 2014

His Excellency Hon’ble Governor of Haryana Shri Kaptan Singh Solanki, Captain Abhimanyu, Minister of Finance, Government of Haryana, Additional Deputy Commissioner of Faridabad Shri Dinesh Singh Yadav and other senior dignitaries praised the innovative projects developed by students of Manav Rachna at IITF 2014.

Manav Rachna Educational Institutions are a regular partner of Government of Haryana at the India International Trade Fair (IITF) held at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi every year. Students and faculty of Manav Rachna have been displaying several award winning innovative projects at the Haryana Pavilion of IITF.

The only University to showcase its projects at the Haryana pavilion, students of Manav Rachna Innovation & Incubation Centre (MRIIC) showcased 24 unique projects at the Haryana Pavilion of IITF 2014.

This year’s theme of “Women Entrepreneurs” figures prominently in the display. The Sensor Piano (a piano that can be played from a distance by gesture of fingers); Waiter Robot (a robotic waiter); Smart Skull (a device that alerts family members in case the

What some of the visitors had to say:
Chirag Dureja from Sonepat was impressed by the Wireless Hand gesture robot. “Such a new and good concept! Keep it up,” he told the students at the Manav Rachna stall at the IITF.

Nikita Palta from Delhi said, “Very good for serving people in hotels…the Waiter Robot could give a brand new angle to the hospitality industry.”

What a student who created the innovative project had to say:
Yogesh Gupta, 5th Semester student, ECE, MRIU Our experience at the IITF has been incredible. We are displaying Saviour Suit, a safety and security device for women, among other projects. Incidentally, this year’s IITF is based on a woman-centric theme and our project is attracting huge crowds. Saviour Suit is also an award winning project and has won accolades at the Accenture Innovation Jockey 2014. The Governor of Haryana has greatly appreciated our projects and we are getting positive feedbacks from all quarters. This has increased our levels of confidence and faith in our abilities and innovations.
Captain Abhimanyu, Minister of Finance, Government of Haryana, at the MRIU stall

Additional Deputy Commissioner of Faridabad Shri Dinesh Singh Yadav with the Manav Rachna team at IITF

Wearer meets with an accident); Electro Seat (a comfortable cushioned seat that enables you to carry electric power wherever you go); Hand Gesture Controlled Mouse; Saviour Suit (that protects women in distress) and Mushroom Cultivation were the main attractions at the pavilion.

Intrigued by the projects developed by the young innovative minds, His Excellency Hon’ble Governor of Haryana Shri Kaptan Singh Solanki put on the Smart Skull to understand its functionality. While visiting the Manav Rachna display at the Haryana Pavilion, Captain Abhimanyu, Minister of Finance, Government of Haryana said: “I am very happy to note that Universities, these days, are giving due relevance to research and innovation; as this is what will differentiate us from the others”.

Additional Deputy Commissioner of Faridabad Shri Dinesh Singh Yadav not only appreciated the creativity of the students but also gave them tips on improvement and adding a new angle to the projects. Smt. Shakuntala Jakhu, Chief Secretary to the Government of Haryana, congratulated the students on their research work that led them to develop several award-winning projects. “Manav Rachna Educational Institutions have taken a quantum leap in Research and Development in recent years. This significant development is corroborated by around 3000 research publications in International Journals, National Journals, International Conferences and National Conferences. This includes over 450 research papers listed in the Scopus database. 82 patents have been filed / granted to faculty and students”, informed Dr. B.S. Gill, Director, MRIIC.
THE NEW ENTRANT IN THE MRIS FAMILY: MRIS LUDHIANA

Manav Rachna International School, Ludhiana, the latest jewel in the MRIS crown, was launched on 22nd September, 2014 with a great deal of hope and promise to carve a niche for itself in the city of Ludhiana. Despite being in a tier two city, the parents are hopeful that their children shall get tier one exposure through Manav Rachna International School, Ludhiana. It is bound to emerge as one of the most sought after Schools not only in Ludhiana but also in Punjab in times to come. The response from the people of Ludhiana has been overwhelming and MRIS Ludhiana is poised to make a difference and establish its credentials as a front runner in the field.

MRIS Ludhiana Exclusives

MRIS, Ludhiana is a premier-league institution. In fact it would be not an exaggeration to term it as one of its kind in Ludhiana. It has the same facets as the other Manav Rachna International Schools in NCR. Thorough observance of standard practices in terms of delivery of curriculum through Paragon (U.S.A.), IPC (U.K.) in addition to I-Carnegie (U.S.A.), MRIS Ludhiana is bound to make its mark as one of the best choices in education in Ludhiana.

The School is equipped with a gamut of sports facilities that include—dedicated Indoor and Outdoor play area for the early years, Jungle Gym, Sand and Water Play area, Multipurpose Play Arena (Low Obstacle Trail), Soft Play Area, Rope Tower, Agility Play Area and Edutainment Area. Students can choose from a diverse range of sports disciplines and have access to the best in sports infrastructure—be it Basket Ball ( Indoor / Outdoor) courts, Table Tennis, Chess, Carom, Synthetic Lawn Tennis Court, Skating, Synthetic Badminton Court, Billiards and Pool, Gymnastics, Aerobics, Splash Pool, Shooting range, Cricket with Automated Bowling —Net Practice, Squash Court and Boxing. Explains Ms Shilpi Gill, Vice Principal, MRIS Ludhiana, “The state-of-the art sports facilities at MRIS along with the training provided by national and international level coaches in areas like badminton, shooting, table tennis, carom, chess, volleyball, basketball, cricket, gymnastics and kickboxing prepares students for national and international level championships.”

The centrally air-conditioned Institution is a haven for eager learners providing a safe and secure environment for their holistic development.
MRIS MAKES WAVES IN LUDHIANA

Manav Rachna International School shot to the limelight at the ‘Premier Schools Exhibition’ organized in Park Plaza, Ludhiana

Manav Rachna International School with its quality education movement was the cynosure of all eyes at the ‘Premier Schools Exhibition’ organized in Park Plaza, Ferozepur Road, Ludhiana. Hundreds of parents and students visited the pavilion of MRIS to get a first-hand experience of award winning “robotics” projects developed by students of Manav Rachna. Our Representatives from i-Carnegie and Mosaica Foundation addressed umpteen queries of parents on the unique international curriculum followed by Manav Rachna International Schools.

Students from various schools of Manav Rachna displayed their award winning projects on ‘Robotics’ and Lego City. Many parents appreciated the projects on display and were excited to learn that the same Robotics program and the unique international curriculum are now available in MRIS Ludhiana. The Event was certainly a beneficial platform to convey to the community that Manav Rachna International School, Ludhiana is there to revolutionize the trends in education at Ludhiana. It also offered a good platform to launch BLOOMZ, a unique feature of MRIS.

“To expand and adapt holistic ventures essential for the growth of a child, MRIS Ludhiana follows the International Primary Curriculum and Mosaica Education’s Paragon Curriculum from Toddlers to Grade V. From Grade VI onwards, the School follows CBSE Curriculum. “Owing to a tie-up with i-Carnegie, an offshoot of Carnegie Mellon University, USA, the School also follows the Robotics Program,” said Mr. Gaurav Rai, Executive Director, MRIS Ludhiana and MRIS 51, Gurgaon.

Ms Shilpi Sood Gill, MRIS Ludhiana Vice Principal, an M.A., B.Ed. started her career in education with Delhi Public School, Ludhiana followed by Sat Paul Mittal School, Ludhiana, as a teacher of English. She moved to the position of Headmistress at age 32 by sheer dint of her hard work. From academics to extra-curricular activities, she possesses a deep understanding of School and its systems. Ms Shilpi has a wide exposure to the present day trends in education. She has a flair for public speaking and creative-writing. Her leadership skills are exemplary. She practises the philosophy:Work is love made visible. Ms. Shilpi Gill, a learner always, is presently pursuing M.A. in Education. MRIS Ludhiana already has on board an extremely industrious team led by Ms Shilpi Gill.

It comprises Ms. Pooja Pruthi, HR-PR, Executive, Ms. Anupama Dixit, Admission Counselor and Mr. Sandeep Rai, Marketing Executive. The School is all set to take on the challenges of the future and is gearing up towards its vision and goals.
DUAL PROGRAMMES AT MRIS

Manav Rachna International Schools (MRIS) have partnered with Mosaica Education Inc. to create a specialized academic programme for students (Grade 9-12).

In addition to the full CBSE course work, students take supplementary courses to meet the requirements of American accreditation and have the option to graduate to high school with a traditional CBSE certificate, as well as an additional academic award that is granted by Mosaica Online Preparatory Academy, an accredited American school based in Atlanta, Georgia, USA. The additional academic award is equivalent to a US high school diploma and is recognized by colleges and universities globally. This is particularly helpful to students seeking admission to colleges or universities in the USA. In addition to the full CBSE coursework, students are enrolled in one American curriculum course per school term that is taught online by a Mosaica teacher based in the US. To participate, students must be fulltime students at MRIS and must pass all 7 courses (one of which is taught in the USA during a special summer session in 11th grade), plus their CBSE components.

ABOUT MOSAICA ONLINE PREPARATORY ACADEMY

The school was established by Mosaica Education in 2009 in order to serve students desiring a rigorous academic experience enriched with Paragon global studies.

HOW THE ADDITIONAL ACADEMIC AWARD PROGRAM WORKS

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SESSION IN USA

During the summer holidays of the 11th Class, the students go on a trip to the United States to take a month-long, intensive summer school course and enjoy cultural and educational excursions. In addition to the fun and cultural excursions, students visit top colleges and universities in the United States, participate in community service activities and meet with their college counselor.

BENEFITS OF THE ADDITIONAL ACADEMIC AWARD PROGRAM

- College Counseling - Increasing the understanding of the full landscape of college admissions in the United States, determining the best college fit for the student and assisting him/her with the complicated application process.
- Transcripts from an accredited American school - validating the coursework and scores
- SAT Prep - preparing students for success on this key American standardized test used by colleges and universities
- Letters of Recommendation from American teachers - endorsing the student’s candidacy in a personal, memorable way
- Preparing the students for success in American Colleges by giving them exposure to western teaching methodologies well in advance

ICARNEGIE, NXT STEP

After successfully running the iCarnegie programme for the last 4 years and with students making a mark at the national and international levels, MRIS is ready to upgrade the curriculum and introduce new languages and gaming programmes for the students. A Professional Development Programme to train the teachers on NXTG, Natural Language, Robot C and Gaming was held at MRIS 46 from 8th – 16th October. The PDP was conducted by Kelly Oarski Ed.D, Bambi Brewer and Beverly Vaillancourt.

The much exciting Gaming Programme aims to give students a cutting edge by bringing together students of a variety of academic backgrounds and interests. Created by the Entertainment Technology Center (ETC-Glob-al) at Carnegie Mellon University, it combines Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) with the Arts. Through the programme, students will be able to learn about the mechanics of game design and the creative process of designing a game, and practice what they learn by making their own games.

GROUP INSURANCE

Manav Rachna has tied up with TATA - AIG for Group Insurance of all students whereby the students shall be provided with Group Insurance under Personal Accident Policy to cover the following benefits:

1. Reimbursement up to Rs. 1 Lac in case of permanent disability or death of the insured.
2. Accidental Medical Expenses up to Rs. 10,000 per incident for the insured, covering both inpatient hospitalization and OPD expenses. It includes services of a physician, hospital confinement and use of operating room, anesthetics, x-ray examinations or treatment, laboratory tests, ambulance charges, drugs and medicines etc.
3. Protection of fee payable up to Rs 4 Lacs for the remaining duration of the course in case of accidental death of the earning parent of the insured.
4. In case both the parents of the student are earning, he/she would be required to declare through a sworn affidavit duly attested by the Notary Public the name of the first parent who is responsible for paying the fee of the insured.

The benefit of protection of fee payable shall be given in the case of accidental death of such parent only.
Great adventurers required for Robotics & Gaming edge

MRIS EXCLUSIVES

- Based on CBSE curriculum, with strategic academic collaborations with Mosaica Education, USA (Paragon Curriculum), iCarnegie, USA (State-of-the-art robotics and gaming based curricula) and International Primary curriculum (UK) upto Grade V for added edge.
- National and international affiliations and accreditations - CBSE and AdvancED.
- Awards, recognitions and excellent survey rankings by various bodies.
- Awards winning participation by students at National/International forums including exchange with International partners.
- State-of-the-art ERP (Campus Care) system for easy interaction.
- Cloud campus Learning Management System which acts as a skill development platform.
- ICT for convenient academic delivery.
- World class sports facilities, in collaboration with Taylor Made (Golf), Yonex (badminton), Stag (table tennis and basketball), BDM (cricket), BIFA (Soccer) and more.
- Additional academic award program - AdvancED for students (Grade 9-12) from Mosaica Online Preparatory Academy, via live streaming, with session in USA.

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