PRINCIPAL’S Message

Dear readers,

It is a great feeling for me to extend my heartfelt thanks to all members of the Scindian fraternity. We have met through the Review after a gap of an year and truly, the schematics have progressed ever since. We have truly evolved as a still more vibrant learning community, in which the relationships matter and education is not just a scholarly give and take but partakes of the very essence of holistic learning.

I congratulate the members of the Review Editorial Board for bringing us updates on the activities of the school, inside as well as outside the portals of the school. They have also brought out a kaleidoscope of thought provoking articles on an array of subjects, published stimulating verse, printed distinguished art pieces and interesting stories throughout the year.

I say so, since we have broadened the spectrum of opportunities and visited those lands which, hitherto we had never set our foot upon. Education is all about venturing into ever foreign lands, and exploring the unknown. We have re-christened the learning opportunities and explored them meticulously. As a result we have seen numerous accolades coming our way.

A number of organizations have awarded the school with prestigious awards. We stand as the No. 1 School in the Education World India School Rankings. Surely, the niche carved out by us was a result of the spirit of camaraderie displayed by this exceptional community. For a community to touch upon the strands of happiness, it is essential that all stakeholders feel a sense of belongingness and coming together. It is when we share the achievements and divide the tasks that we truly feel a part of a commune, the very essential commodity needed to achieve saliency. The students and the teachers have worked for all round the year to touch greater heights and saddle the challenging situations by their earnest effort.

Now, that we have witnessed the fruits of our labour, from one Founder’s Day to the next, we sit and look back upon our trials and tribulations. This gives us the courage, both physical and mental to surge onto the next year ahead, as we stand on the day of the 122nd Founder’s Day of this hallowed institution.

Today, I join all of you, as we proceed forth to savour the fruits of our labour. I feel confident of a still brighter future as we surge from one year to the next.

Once again, I wish a very happy Founder’s Day to all.

Madhav Deo Saraswat

EDITORIAL BOARD’S Message

Dear Readers,

It is no secret that the landscape of scholarly publishing is quickly changing. Across disciplines, new demands and expectations from both authors and readers have encouraged shifting of perspectives among editors and publishers. Our primary goal as editors is to ensure that the Review remains flexible in attending to the rapidly shifting communication landscape, while also maintaining and intensifying the high standards for which the magazine is known. By steadily introducing initiatives to the editorial and review process, we believe that the Review will successfully meet the evolving needs of its readers. We are dedicated to leading the Editorial Board’s mission in providing the readers with a productive, fair, and a timely reading experience.

Literary pieces are also an interesting aspect of one’s life filled with fun and knowledge. When a person reads a book or writes an article, he goes through a transformation in his language, style and taste. With an increasing output of write-ups, he or she climbs one step up a ladder to reach the top, which is finesse in language. We, here at The Scindia School have always tried to make this possible and this year too, our team has been able to put up great articles in this year’s editions of the Review. However, doing so was not an easy task and this year, it was filled with moments of excitement, frustration and learning, but in the process, the editorial team was enriched.

This issue features our students’ creativity, imagination and determination to write. We have tried to feature articles of all sorts and hope the reader has a good read.

My sincere thanks to the staff editors and the technical team for supporting us in every step and our Principal, Dr Madhav Deo Saraswat for giving us this opportunity and believing in us.
With each passing day, the mornings and the evenings are becoming pleasant with the cool winds sweeping across this ancient citadel. The afternoons though, continue to be warm. The Fort stands bedecked and jewelled with lush green grass carpeting the land and mounds, rich with the sprinkling of flowers which almost seem to smile under your glance.

The Scindia School has been ranked as India’s #1 Boarding School for Boys in the EducationWorld India School Rankings 2019. The Principal received the award for the same in the award ceremony in Delhi held on 28th September 2019.

Microsoft has recognized The Scindia School as a Showcase School, which is an elite group of schools that exemplify the best of teaching and learning in the world today. Microsoft Showcase Schools are the change makers in education. They are a part of an exclusive global community, recognized and celebrated for educational transformation that includes vision and innovation in teaching, learning and assessment, computational and critical thinking, creativity and collaboration, as well as a willingness to promote a mindset of growth among educators and students.

The Scindia School was felicitated as ‘The Residential School of the Year in K-12 Education’ for the year 2019 in an award ceremony at Bengaluru on 24th September 2019. ‘IDA Education Awards’ recognise pioneering initiatives taken by educational institutions with the focus on factors enhancing the student learning outcomes. The platform honours and rewards institutions that are re-discovering, re-defining and re-imaging the teaching-learning process and preparing students for life.

The iCan Conference was held in the school from 24th September to 25th September 2019. It was a simulation of the corporate world. During the course of the simulation, each delegate donned the roles of corporate tycoons, marketing geniuses, social innovators, entrepreneurs, media moguls, journalists and many more. The various verticals and departments interacted with each other to make the students learn how to practice and develop life skills and soft skills.

18 students of classes X and XI along with two teacher escorts - Mr Jitendra Jawale and Mr Anubhav Sarkar went to Chorao Island in Goa for a ‘wildlife and environment internship’ from 23rd September to 1st October 2019. They collaborated with a local conservation organization – ‘Wild Otters’ to understand some of the basic key concepts and dynamics of ecology and conservation.
The 59th Purushottam Inter House Swimming Competition was held from 14th September to 20th September 2019. The trophy for the same was bagged by Madhav House.

Svastik Arora and Lav Asrani participated in St John’s All India for the same was bagged by Madhav House. Science Department on 2nd October 2019. The formats of the debates were ‘Turncoat’ and ‘Cambridge’. In the presence of six outstanding teams from various schools across the country. The formats of the debates were Asian and British Parliamentary. In the Final Round held on 5th October, 2019; four teams qualified with four best adjudicators. The teams were Dhrubhai Ambani International School, Mumbai; St. George’s College, Mussoorie; Mayo College, Ajmer; and Mayo College Girls’ School, Ajmer. The adjudicators for the final round were Anush Agarwal from Dalry College, Indore; Nitya Mehra from The Scindia School, Gwalior; Udhay Aman Chopra from Vasant Valley School, Delhi; and Kyna Khanna from Mayo College Girls’ School, Indore. Mayo College Girls’ School was announced as the Winner of the event; and St. George’s College, Mussoorie as the Runner-Up. Uditi Singh from Mayo College, Ajmer, bagged the Best Speaker award (Government); Tanushree Gupta from MCGS, Ajmer, won the Best Speaker (Opposition) and the Best Speaker of the Series. Nitya Mehra from The Scindia School won the award for the Best Adjudicator; and Udhay Aman Chopra was announced as the Most Promising Adjudicator of the Series.

After an interesting round of Cambridge Debate, Scindia Kanya Vidyalaya emerged as the Winner and Syna International School, Katni as the Runner-Up. The 46th Platinum Jubilee All India Inter School English Debates were held from 3rd to 5th October, 2019 at The Scindia School, Fort, Gwalior. This year the event comprised of a total of ten exceptionally skilled debating teams from different schools across the country. The formats of the debates were Asian and British Parliamentary. In the Final Round held on 5th October, 2019; four teams qualified with four best adjudicators. The teams were Dhrubhai Ambari International School, Mumbai; St. George’s College, Mussoorie; Mayo College, Ajmer; and Mayo College Girls’ School, Ajmer. The adjudicators for the final round were Anush Agarwal from Dalry College, Indore; Nitya Mehra from The Scindia School, Gwalior; Udhay Aman Chopra from Vasant Valley School, Delhi; and Kyna Khanna from Mayo College Girls’ School, Indore. Mayo College Girls’ School was announced as the Winner of the event; and St. George’s College, Mussoorie as the Runner-Up. Uditi Singh from Mayo College, Ajmer, bagged the Best Speaker award (Government); Tanushree Gupta from MCGS, Ajmer, won the Best Speaker (Opposition) and the Best Speaker of the Series. Nitya Mehra from The Scindia School won the award for the Best Adjudicator; and Udhay Aman Chopra was announced as the Most Promising Adjudicator of the Series.

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Gandhi Jayanti was celebrated on 2nd October 2019. In the late morning, the shramjivis put up a wonderful bhajan karyakram after which lunch was served. In the evening, a Special ‘Asthachal’ was held.

Mr Pawar and Kshitij Dogra

Gandhi Jayanti

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He was awarded with a smart phone and a gift hamper from Weikfield.

The 18th His Highness Madhav Rao Scindia Memorial All India Inter School Hindi Debates were held from 4th to 5th October, 2019, at The Scindia School. This year, the event witnessed a total of six outstanding teams from various schools across the country. The formats of the debates were ‘Turncoat’ and ‘Cambridge’. In the final round held on 5th October, 2019; four teams qualified. The teams were - Syna International School, Katni; Scindia Kanya Vidyalaya, Gwalior; The Scindia School, Gwalior; and Dalry College, Indore. The Charperson of the event was Mr Ankit Kasera (Ex-RS, 1973) was the Guest of Honour.

Barakhamba; Mayo College Girls’ School, Ajmer; and The Scindia School, Gwalior. The quiz trophy was bagged by the Modern School.

The 35th Triathlon – the Inter School Math Quiz was held in school from 1st October to 5th October 2019. It consisted of three rounds. They were - Online Math Quiz, Puzzle Solving Round and Treasure Hunt. The Winners trophy was bagged by Vasant Valley School and Mayo College Girls’ School stood second as Runner Up.

The Round Square International Pre-conference was held from 29th September to 2nd October 2019. The Conference formally began with the Principal’s address to the gathering. This was followed by a tour of all the delegates and the teacher escorts to the various hobby stations of the school. The delegates were taken to the Astachal, the spiritual water hole of the school. The delegates along with their respective escorts, visited the 16th century built- Mansingh Palace and Jai Vilas Palace as well.

A group of eight students from the school attended the Third Edition of Military History Seminar-2019 at Welham Boys’ School, Dehradun, on 4th and 5th October 2019. More than 250 delegates from 30 reputed schools from different parts of the country attended the seminar.

Kshitij Dogra was among the 17 participants who participated in an essay writing competition and were invited to Pune for the final round. The event was organised by ‘Kishori Chau’. The competition was held at the national level in which more than 40,000 students had participated from 230 different schools. The topic for the essay was “How to create harmony among different religions”.

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Mr Vijay Jaini (Ex-Mj, 1976) was declared runner up in the 4th Asian Masters Championship for Squash held at Hong Kong from 5th to 8th September 2019, in the category of 60 – 65 yrs. There were participants from Singapore, HK, Malaysia, Pakistan, Macao, Japan and India. Many congratulations!

Mr Rajeev Merkhedkar (Ex-Md, 94) has been recognized as one of the ‘Top 10 Legal Entrepreneurs’ by Financial Times, London as part of their annual Innovative Lawyers’ Awards for Europe. This honour recognizes lawyers who inspire entrepreneurial change in law firms and legal services. These are amongst the most prestigious awards in the legal industry globally covering both law firms and global corporations. The lawyers recognized at these awards were also featured in the Financial Times London edition. The award ceremony for the same was held at the Natural History Museum, London.

Mr Tejyandeep Singh (Ex-Mj, 2015) who is currently studying architecture in Mumbai participated in an International Design Competition titled ‘THE HOUSE’ Crafting Home through Spaces organized by Archdais Network Private Limited. His design was recognized in the top 50 out of 1248 participants from across the globe. Many congratulations!

SOBA Delhi NCR launched the F G Pearce Symposium, a quarterly series of talks by eminent leaders on diverse topics. Mr Pearce was the first Principal of the The Scindia School Gwalior, a modern public school. He spearheaded the transformation of the erstwhile Military School, then named- The Saradar School into a modern public school called The Scindia School. The flagship event was launched on Friday, 13th September, at the Indian Islamic Centre, with an interactive talk on DIGITAL MEDIA AND ITS EFFECT by Dr Nalin Mehta, Executive Editor, The Times of India-Online.

The event was a grand success and truly an enlightening experience for one and all. It began with an insightful presentation on the life and learnings of the late principal, Mr F. G. Pearce, one of the biggest educationists of the country.

The evening came to an end with the batch of 1950-59 being felicitated for keeping the Scindian spirit alive. Amongst the audience, were well known names like Mr Sanjeev Saraf, M.D. Polypex & founder of Jash E Rekhta; Mr Navodit Mehra, Senior Vice President – Legal with Sterlite Power; Mr Navniti Singh, Former Chief Justice, Kerala High Court; Mr Anishabh Malhotra, Head of Investment Banking, HSBC India; Mr Kumar Sanjay, Professor; Mr Rahul Kulshreshtha, Dr Vikram Mathur, Mr Ravi Saund, and Senior Board Members to name a few.

Mr Viraj Kohli (Ex-Mj, 2012) who heads the ‘uviraj’ Group, has been awarded ‘India’s Fastest Growing Brand 2018-19’ by AsiaOne - Asia Business and Social Forum awards held on 16th September 2019 at Taj Lands End, Mumbai. He was also recognized as the ‘40 Most Influential Indians under 40’ at the same event.

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Mr Vaibhav Singh (Ex-Di, 2012) who is heading the Bhagawati Group has been awarded ‘Young Entrepreneur of the Year 2019’ in the Annual Dealer Excellence Programme Conference 2019 of Mahindra & Mahindra held at Hyatt Berlin, Germany. Dr Pawan Goenka, Managing Director, M&M gave away the award. At 24 years of age, he is the youngest recipient of this award till date. Congratulations!

Mr Vishwaraj Singh (Ex-Mj, 2002) has been appointed as the Secretary of the MP Congress Youth Wing. Many congratulations!

Mr Ajay Poonia (Ex-Sh, 2006) recently participated in Ironman Lake Placid 70.3 in New York, USA. Ironman is a grueling, one day endurance event that consists of 3 disciplines - swimming, cycling and running - to be done back to back. The athletes swim 1.9 km, cycle for 90 km and then run 21.1 km to the finish. No stranger to the world of sport, while in school, Ajay won the Carapapa Trophy for the Best Sportsman. After Indonesia, Australia and England, this was his 4th Ironman event. He intends to compete in all continents in his quest to qualify for the Ironman World Championships 2022. The Scindia School wishes him best of luck!
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TEAM

Mr Sandeep Agrawal (Ex- Sh, 1980)

I have a vivid memory of a solo goal scored by a school-mate of mine, when as a center-forward, he managed to dribble the ball past all the defenders and net it in beautifully. The ball was untouched by any member of the opposing team, as also his own. It was a fantastic display of his sporting abilities, which is still fresh in my mind as on that sunny day, about forty years back. The stadium virtually rose to its feet; and the unending cheers could be heard more than a mile away. It was poetry in motion, at its best.

While this was in itself an awesome feat, I sometimes imagine what if the same result had been obtained with the joint efforts of his other team mates? The celebration would surely have increased manifold, with the participation of many more. Without making any attempt to undermine the event, I would like to emphasise here, the value of a team effort to work towards a common goal and achieve desired results.

In today's competitive world, teamwork gains much more significance. An early start is made during our school life, when we make small teams in activities relating to sports, academics, theatre, debates, etc., and strive for success using our combined capabilities. This may or may not necessarily lead us to the winning post at all times, but the camaraderie remains forever. What matters most is that we all tried together. We rejoice on holding the cup, and cried together at times of defeat. It was a comforting hug that we shared when we lost. Tears may have been shed, but they were wiped with common handkerchiefs. It is surely more joyous to weep together, rather than to rejoice alone. The latter seems quite impossible, so to say.

We would recall a small Hindi phrase which means that one plus one equals eleven. My mathematically-inclined friends may tend to disagree, and make all attempts to dispove me on this with all their logical deductions. But, a true friend would know it, in his heart, to be absolutely true. The comfort of a helpful hand extended at the right moment, or an empathetic shoulder offered by a buddy is unmatched by no other act, and could surely equal or exceed any other form of assistance or solace, even if offered by someone much mightier.

Building a team seems quite simple, but the hard part is sticking with it through its ups and downs. This requires patience, understanding, compassion, and the sacrifice of one's own ego, inspite of all our personal competencies, however, great that they may be. Arguments and disagreements may help us win battles at some points, but we would surely end up losing the war if we were to go against the common goals of the team. At most times, we don't even get to choose our team; we become a part of them by default, or as part of a larger design. How we perform in this circumstance defines us. We could either opt to accuse our colleagues, or try attempting to understand a different point of view, and work towards that desired commonality.

The learned author Ernest Hemingway has said that it takes two years to learn to speak, and sixty to learn to be quiet. Even a small, seemingly innocent statement, could snowball into undesired arguments, leading to the collapse of the team, and with it, all that it stood for. This does not necessarily imply that we tolerate or go along with something which is grossly wrong. But, we could surely take care that we do not needlessly offend all those at the table, by our harsh words. Constructive criticism is acceptable, but not as an attempt to berate someone needlessly.

A team succeeds when it has a common object as its goal, and when all its stake-holders work towards it selflessly, without any personal agenda. Even a slight deviation for any individualistic gain leads to its collapse. In the modern age, we have teams being formed in digital space. They are in the form of Whatsapp or Facebook groups. Much of the ideologies spoken above could apply to these also. These too survive when there is a commonality of purpose and direction.

During our lifetime, we all become parts of various teams, and play myriad roles in all of them. Starting from our immediate family, and going up to the company we work for, or the province we live in, and our motherland of course, to the world at large. All these are our teams, and we are constantly working on them, along with so many of our colleagues. The bigger our team, the larger its objective, and greater our responsibilities. As we transcend geographical boundaries, we have as our goal, the universal good of all living beings on this planet, and beyond. I pray that we may all strive to go beyond our limitations, and be a part of such larger teams for the benefit of all of creation.

Greetings from
Argentina!
IMAGINATION

That You Will Never Know
Yanglem Arjun Singh, X A

Sometimes we lose people too quickly for us to realize what had happened. Even if we lose them, to never see them again or to live with the pain of their constant indifference, it hurts. We all do feel this way at some point in life, at times a feeling mingled with guilt and at times accompanied by plain confusion.

It is rather odd when you wake up one day and a person simply decides to pretend as if you had never existed. Though I agree it is rather convenient to do so for that person but it still gnaws away at your heart to know how a person so easily lets it be. We often hope for a chance to reconcile and that hope just lures the loneliness their real absence, even when they are present, creates. It is hard to agree with the fact that they have left your life for good and why? Why would they walk away? Why would they let you cry? This illusion is painful only till the mirage of a caring person makes you fall for the innocent illusion; when we believe that we are cared for but the truth wishes to differ. What hurts the most is when you look at them and their eyes beam with adoration for you. When they smile and laugh with eyes full of care but they only wish to see far away from you. When you know they do not wish to care for you but for someone who may be wouldn’t care for them. When you know the pain is felt only by you.

People might consider this love, but when you care enough to love, it is different. When you wish for a person to be happy not for the feeling you hold for them but for the care, you couldn’t let it stop, it is different. And I wish it was easy as they made it seem to walk by and not care, to look my way but then look astray, to just forget and let moments fade by, to never let any memory stay.

I do not know if any guilt accompanies them. I do not know if they wish to regret. I hope they do but then again it is to be remembered that they walked away with a smile. They might never wish to forget and let moments fade by, to never let any memory stay.

They are happy with the life they found. With the people who now they truly care for. And I wish they get the happiness that they deserve; the happiness I know none of...
THE MAHA-ATMA
Mr Devendra Bhatnagar (Ex-Ja, 1974)

Ego bereft of itself
Draped but in a piece
Homespun that cloth
Slim frame, spindly legs
Warm that embrace
Enveloping everyone
Near toothless that smile
Charismatic presence
Posture resolute in itself
Suppliant folded hands
Anvil forged ideals, tested
Non violent the approach
Strides clad in khataus
Walked this dusty land
Touching hearts and minds
Gospel of love his words
Of forgiveness and grace
The fresh winds of change
That swept this vast land
Millions who had never met
Merged through him their hearts
All were swept by his ways
Baked this land in heat
His prescription opposite

Violence is not a weapon
But a boat waiting to sink
Turn the other cheek
For violence does tire out
When it meets no resistance
This from a brown man
Of no means but his thoughts
His words they swept across
Perplexing the world at large
Slowly the chained shackles
Of thoughts and actions fell
With freedom sweeping in
Larger in life he stood
In death he stands taller still
For very few conquered others
By non violence and love alone
It’s not alone this persona
Blindly whom or that I worship
He too had his share of flaws
It is that thought I admire
That draped in a loin cloth
He stopped my hand midstride
And canvassed for my love
not for himself but for others.

MINDSCAPE

VINTAGE YEARS
Mr Devendra Bhatnagar (Ex-Ja, 1974)

I unwind myself off the bed
Lately the effort a little more
As aches and creaks increase
Age, it is catching up with me
But in my mind I train myself
Never to let this thought prey
And make me age even there
Perish the thought I tell myself
Thank God, the mind, fertile it still is
Even though other parts may not be
I smile at that, the laughter loud
The dogs look up and wag their tails
Their Master to them is young
Makes each walk a loitering fun
Old? Sea dogs never age, they say
Saltier and crustier I have become
More mellow in the heart for sure
As time tightens its noose around

I ward it surely off with my ways
I have more time to listen to others
I lean on my stick and sagely nod
Guilelessly look into others eyes
And just that is enough to heal the wounds
Or encourage confidences shared

Each day I laugh a little more
Never am I bored with life
I hate the sight of a rocking chair
Why waste time on unnecessary sleep
For that I have eternity still

There are no more papers to sign
One important signed long ago
Banked with a family lawyer
Whom I have tormented enough
By staying increasingly alive

I stay clear of redundant thoughts
And those who espouse them
I hate the meanness I find abound
Where pessimism overwhelms
You will not surely find me there
What good will worrying do
When each day God unfolds
A new day even better than yesterday

There is so much these eyes have seen
So much still to see and explore
Why just yesterday I planted a tree
I must not be discourteous
But water it and wait for it to grow

I don my hat, pick my stick
For a long walk I set out
There is music in my heart
Colour and beauty everywhere
I am as young as I want to be
I am reborn with this thought
Precious are these vintage years
Idle and boring I would never like to be.

Where is my coat, my hat, my stick
I scanned the room, no trace
I searched the corner, nothing
I sought for them in vain

Winter, cold, December
Nights long, days seem short
I need my hat, my stick
To brave the winter chill

I am as old as I want to be
I am reborn with this thought
Precious are these vintage years
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The Forgotten

Ahana Bhattacharya, VII B

One day I saw a truck outside my house. I was intently gazing at it and the truck started to move. But lo! I saw something falling down as it left. It was a little weird. I followed the slowly moving truck and out of curiosity went inside as it stopped for a while. I could see only boxes in it. I pressed upon her to tell me the truth.

The lady told me that she had eight precious petroglyphs in her treasure. Now she had only six. Two had gone missing. On this, I asked her close relative. I nformed the driver's cabin were the police. They were taken in custody. Ms Betty told me later that it was believed that the Petroglyphs were a secret to find an ancient, lost city!

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जल बचाओ! "कल बचाओ!"

लांगुणु पाबाण, काला-दी सौंदर्य का समन्वय चन्द्र पंडित से हृदयः हृदयः जल भी एक है। इसके नीचे जीवन संसार नहीं है। जल के सामने हम जीवित नहीं रह सकते। इसलिए हम हामी सँग हम कहते हैं कि इसके लिए जल पर ध्यान निकालना चाहिए।

जल-संरक्षण और कुंज नहीं बन्द जल को खोने से बचाना है। जलों पर सब कुछ नहीं है। जल नहीं है। हम पता लगेंगे कि जल का बचाना हमारा आदर्श है।

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The Artist’s Interpretation

The cover page has been designed by Mr Aloke Ghosh, a faculty member in the Art Department. The art piece celebrates the achievements of the young Scindians, which have left an indelible mark on the face of the world. The achievements are dipped in the Scindian ethos of being a perfect example of chivalry and dignity, coupled with a feat of academic pursuits, which have been the hallmarks of the Scindian cult.