



and natural rock stability, even in a seismically active region. Overall, the trip provided a valuable opportunity to connect classroom learning with real-world observations, enhancing students' understanding of geomorphological processes, geological history, and environmental responsibility.

### **Culmination Ceremony of Sambhav Campaign: A Step Towards Sustainable Living** Shaswat Modi

The Culmination Ceremony of the Sambhav Campaign, a joint initiative by TERI-EIACP and The Scindia School, was held on Saturday, 28th March, marking the successful conclusion of a powerful movement aimed at promoting sustainable living and reducing single-use plastic.

The event was graced by the auspicious presence of Ms. Nameeta Prasad, Joint Secretary, MoEFCC, Ms. Lipika Roy, Joint Director, MoEFCC, Dr. P. K. Bhattacharya, Director, TERI, Dr. Dipankar Saharia, Senior Director, TERI, Mr. Ajay Singh, Principal, Ms. Smita Chaturvedi, Vice Principal and Retd. Col. DK Farashwal, Bursar.

The event brought together students, educators and the wider community to celebrate the impact and achievements of the campaign. Over its course, Sambhav witnessed active student participation through awareness drives, competitions and extensive outreach initiatives. These efforts helped carry the message beyond the school campus, reaching over 57,000 people on ground and an impressive 1.8 million individuals digitally.

The ceremony was enriched with creative performances such as a dance-drama, along with a compelling Nukkad Natak performed by the students of Scindia Kanya Vidyalaya, who were specially invited for the programme. Their performance added emotional depth and transformed environmental awareness into an engaging and memorable experience for the audience.

One of the most impactful outcomes



of the campaign was the distribution of nearly 70,000 reusable cloth bags, encouraging communities to move away from single-use plastic and adopt sustainable alternatives. A special highlight of the event was the recognition of seven student Environmental Ambassadors, who played a vital role in ensuring the smooth and efficient functioning of the campaign. The ambassadors are : Shaswat Modi, Sayush Agrawal, Akhand Pradeep Rai, Sarthak Agarwal, Ranveer Chauhan, Shaurya Pankaj Veer, and Khush Todi. Their dedication, leadership and consistent efforts significantly contributed to the success of the Sambhav Campaign. The ceremony culminated with the Mission LiFE pledge, where participants collectively reaffirmed their commitment to environmental responsibility and sustainable practices. The culmination of the Sambhav Campaign stands as a strong example of how collective effort and youth leadership can drive meaningful change towards a greener and more sustainable future.

### **21st HH Maharaja Madhav Rao Scindia II Memorial Cricket Tournament 2026**

The historic fort of Gwalior came alive with cricketing excitement as the 21st HH Maharaja Madhav Rao Scindia II Memorial Cricket Tournament was held from March 31 to April 4, 2026. Seven prestigious schools from across the country participated : Daly College Indore, Punjab Public School Nabha, Rajkumar College Raipur, The Doon School Dehradun, Genesis Global School Noida, YPS Mohali and the host school, The Scindia School.

The tournament got off to a breathtaking start when Yashvardhan Singh Chauhan of the host school announced his arrival in the most spectacular fashion, smashing six sixes in a single over before going on to score a stunning unbeaten 110 off just 30 balls. It was a knock that left spectators and opponents alike completely spellbound, setting the tone for an exciting tournament ahead.



The first semi-final witnessed a commanding performance by Daly College Indore, who defeated Rajkumar College Raipur by a convincing margin of 53 runs. In the second semi-final, The Scindia School put up a clinical display, overcoming YPS Mohali comfortably by 7 wickets to book their place in the final.

The much-anticipated final turned out to be a near one-sided affair. The Scindia School, playing in front of their home crowd, produced a dominant performance and defeated Daly College Indore by an emphatic 9 wickets, claiming the championship title for a historic third consecutive time. The victory was celebrated with tremendous pride and joy across the school.

The individual Awards are :

Best Batsman of the tournament : Yashvardhan Singh Chauhan

Best Bowler of the tournament : Archit Choudhary

Best All-Rounder of the tournament : Aryan Khuswa

For taking 5 wickets in the semi-finals: Abhijay Pratap Singh

The tournament was a wonderful celebration of cricket, camaraderie and true sportsmanship, leaving behind memories that every participant and spectator will cherish for years to come.

### **अंतरसदनीय कनिष्ठ वर्ग हिंदी वाद-विवाद प्रतियोगिता (2025-26)**

वाद-विवाद केवल विचारों का आदान-प्रदान नहीं, बल्कि तर्क, अभिव्यक्ति और दृष्टिकोण को परिष्कृत करने की एक सशक्त विधा है। प्राचीन काल से ही विभिन्न विषयों पर हुए वाद-विवाद समाज को नई दिशा देते आए हैं। यह न केवल हमारे विचारों को स्पष्ट करता है, बल्कि हमें सुनने, समझने और प्रभावशाली ढंग से प्रस्तुत करने की कला भी सिखाता है।

इसी परंपरा को आगे बढ़ाते हुए हमारे विद्यालय में दिनांक 02 मार्च 2026 को हिन्दी साहित्य सभा के तत्वावधान में अंतरसदनीय कनिष्ठ वर्ग हिन्दी वाद-विवाद प्रतियोगिता का सफल आयोजन किया गया। इस प्रतियोगिता में चार सदनों ने उत्साहपूर्वक भाग लिया। प्रत्येक सदन से तीन प्रतिभागियों ने विषय के पक्ष और विपक्ष में अपने विचार रखे।

प्रतियोगिता में विभिन्न सदनों के प्रतिभागियों ने दो समसामयिक विषयों कृत्रिम बुद्धिमत्ता: 'मानव के लिए अवसर' तथा 'शिक्षा का

उद्देश्य केवल नौकरी पाना है' पर प्रभावशाली तर्क प्रस्तुत किए। सभी सदनों ने दृढ़ संकल्प के साथ इस प्रतियोगिता में भाग लेकर प्रतिद्वंद्वी सदन /प्रतिभागी को पराजित करने के लिए अपना सर्वश्रेष्ठ दिया।

प्रतियोगिता अत्यंत रोचक एवं ज्ञानवर्धक रही, जिसमें प्रतिभागियों ने अपने उत्कृष्ट भाषा-कौशल और आत्मविश्वास से सभी को प्रभावित किया।

परिणाम इस प्रकार रहे:

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द्वितीय पुरस्कार: हंशिता मानकर (दत्ताजी सदन)

तृतीय पुरस्कार: रुद्र प्रताप दुबे एवं अनिरुद्ध सिंह (कनेरखेड़ सदन एवं दत्ताजी सदन)

सदनों की स्थिति:

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द्वितीय स्थान: दत्ताजी सदन (205.5 अंक)

तृतीय स्थान: कनेरखेड़ सदन (201 अंक)

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अपने संक्षिप्त उद्बोधन में प्राचार्य महोदय ने विजेता विद्यार्थियों को बधाई दी तथा प्रतियोगिता के बढ़ते स्तर पर प्रसन्नता व्यक्त करते हुए भविष्य में और अधिक समुन्नति करने को कहा।

## Quiz Workshop

An old boy from the batch of 2006 and an ever-permanent fixture in school when it comes to all things quizzing, nationally renowned Quizmaster Ajay Poonia visited The Scindia School on April 3 and 4 for a two-day intense session of helping our students pick up some quizzing tricks. Whether it's the Maths quiz, the IT Quiz, the business quiz, the heritage quiz or the most coveted the Platinum Jubilee Memorial Quiz, Mr. Poonia has donned the quizmaster's hat in an array of subjects at The Scindia School stage.

In this quiz workshop for students of classes 6 and above, he designed the curriculum to move beyond traditional rote learning and into the realm of high-level competitive quizzing. Over the course of the workshop, students were exposed to a wide variety of topics, which significantly broadened their intellectual horizons. Central to the program was the core philosophy that "practice and preparation are permanent," a mantra that encouraged students to see curiosity and research as lifelong habits rather than short-term tasks.

A unique and critical component of the sessions involved the strategic experimentation with team dynamics; students underwent various group combinations to identify the perfect fit. By testing these different permutations, the workshop identified how varying personality types, specialists and generalists could best collaborate to form the most formidable competitive units.

Beyond simply answering questions, participants were taught the "Anatomy of a Question," learning to decode subtle clues and use lateral thinking to deduce answers they didn't initially think they knew. The sessions also featured visual challenges that sharpened sensory observation and rapid-response capabilities under pressure. And by the end of the final session, the students had transitioned from players to creators, learning how to structure their own workable questions using an inverted pyramid of logic. Ultimately, the workshop equipped the students with a sophisticated toolkit for critical thinking, effective communication, and strategic teamwork that will benefit them in life, both within and outside the realms of quizzing.

## Scavenger Hunt Rajvirr Agarwal

Rajvirr Agarwal and Devam Garg organized a Scavenger Hunt in the Junior School from 9th March to 13th March 2026. It tested the creative and logical thinking of the students as they tried to crack clues and ciphers which led to areas in the Junior School with more clues until they found the end. Fakes and story verification were used to deter illegitimate hunters. Some commendable performances were: Dhruv Vikamsey for speed and thinking, Reyansh Goyal completed in 44 minutes, Vedant Jaiswal completed in 43 minutes. In the end, Kanerkhed won due to their completion time.

Rajvirr Agarwal and Divit Deswal continued the spirit and brought the fun to Senior School. They organized the Secret Hunt on 5th April 2026 which followed the same pattern of clues and fakes but much longer and harder. It followed a hypothetical story of how Maan Singh "truly" conquered the fort. The grand prize for this event was coupons worth Rs 1000. The winners completed the hunt in 7 hours and 45 minutes. They are: Rudraksh Bansal, Chiraj Raj Goel, Ayaan N. Krishna and Pragnya Gupta.

## A Proud Moment !

We are absolutely delighted to congratulate Ranveer Chauhan of the 2027 batch on his outstanding achievement - securing an early acceptance at the globally prestigious International Institute of Geneva for the Undergraduate Programme in International Relations.



This accomplishment is a true testament to Ranveer's intellectual ability, dedication and remarkable personal profile. Adding further glory to this achievement, Ranveer has been awarded a generous 40% merit scholarship - a recognition of his exceptional academic calibre and promise.

## Raising Generation Alpha: A Gentle Call to Reconnect, Rebuild and Rebalance Ms Smita Chaturvedi, Vice Principal

In every generation, there comes a moment of quiet reflection - when we pause and ask ourselves whether we are truly preparing our children for life, or merely helping them navigate the present. Today, as we observe Generation Alpha growing up in an increasingly digital and fast-paced world, this question feels more urgent than ever.

There is much to admire in this generation. They are confident, expressive, and unafraid to voice their opinions. They have access to information at their fingertips and possess a natural ease with technology that earlier generations could only imagine. Yet, alongside these strengths, there are emerging patterns that call for our thoughtful attention.

Educators and parents alike are noticing a gradual shift in behaviour over the years. The ability to sustain attention has diminished, with shorter attention spans becoming increasingly common. Following instructions and engaging deeply with tasks often require greater

effort and patience than before. There is also a noticeable change in how discipline is perceived and responded to.

A defining characteristic of this generation is the heightened sense of the 'self.' While self-awareness is valuable, it sometimes comes at the cost of sensitivity towards others. Children today do not hesitate to express themselves - which in itself is a positive trait - but at times, this expression may cross into rudeness or disregard for respect and boundaries.

Another significant factor shaping their behaviour is the extent of digital dependency. Screens have become constant companions - sources of learning, entertainment, and even emotional comfort. However, excessive reliance on digital devices is gradually affecting real world interactions. Many children are more comfortable in their own virtual spaces, often preferring solitude over social engagement. As a result, essential social skills - empathy, cooperation, patience - are not being nurtured as naturally as before. The long-term implications of these patterns are concerning. When trust becomes fragile and relationships become transactional, the very fabric of society is at risk of weakening. A generation that struggles to connect meaningfully may find it challenging to build strong communities, sustain relationships, and uphold shared values.

Yet, this is not a moment for criticism - it is a moment for awareness and action.

The good news is that children are remarkably adaptable, and change is always possible when guided with care and consistency. As adults, we have the responsibility—and the privilege—of

shaping their journeys. The sooner we recognise these shifts, the sooner we can take meaningful steps to restore balance.

We must consciously create spaces where empathy, compassion, and care are not just taught, but lived. Simple acts—listening patiently, encouraging kindness, modelling respectful behaviour - can have profound effects. Children learn far more from what we do than what we say.

Equally important is the cultivation of self-discipline. In a world of instant gratification, teaching children the value of patience, perseverance, and accountability becomes essential. Respect - for oneself, for others, and for the environment - must be reinforced consistently, not as a rule to be followed, but as a way of life. These are not new ideals; they are deeply rooted in the ethos of our culture. The principles of humility, respect, and collective well-being have long been the pillars of Indian society. It is now our responsibility to ensure that these values are not lost, but rather reinterpreted and reinforced in ways that resonate with today's generation. Let us not view Generation Alpha as a problem to be fixed, but as a potential to be nurtured. With mindful guidance, firm yet compassionate boundaries, and a shared commitment from parents and educators, we can help them grow into individuals who are not only confident and capable, but also kind, grounded, and socially responsible.

The path ahead requires patience, consistency, and above all, hope. For in every child lies the promise of a better tomorrow - and it is up to us to guide that promise with wisdom and care.

## In the Stillness, We Find Ourselves

Atharv Kaseria

In the midst of our fast-paced lives, we often fail to enjoy a moment of calmness. The pressure of completing tasks and writing assignments often entangles us in such a manner that we fail to value ourselves.

Amidst all the bustling sounds of Gwalior, the Astachal stands tall atop the fort. To many, it may merely appear as an amphitheatre, but for us, it is a spiritual waterhole. As the sun descends, melodious chorus of the Omkara and voices of students reciting their pieces fills the atmosphere above the Astachal. The few minutes of silence that follow are when we discover ourselves and introspect deep within.

In that stillness, listening to the sweet chirping of the birds and the sounds of nature, we truly become one with nature and discover inner bliss. Focusing on our breathing and the gentle sounds around us, we achieve clarity of mind. It allows us to reflect upon ourselves and our actions with honesty, serving as a stepping stone for our growth. We often complain about and disregard the Astachal, calling it a waste of time and claiming it to be false propaganda. In doing so, we allow ourselves to be blindfolded by the general opinion and fail to understand its true value. The wise saying, 'We only understand something's importance when it is lost' best suits the scenario.

Resting high above the rest of Gwalior, it stands as a subtle reminder of the power of introspection and meditation, living on in the heart of every Scindian.

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