



Billabong International High School



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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



A school is expected to be the hub of creativity and innovation, encouraging new ideas, giving the young minds the scope and canvas to paint new mosaics and dream new aspirations. We at Billabong High International endeavor to provide our young learners conducive learning environment, empower them with life skills, critical thinking and being life long learners.

We are committed to sensitizing our young learners to the needs of the community besides inculcating values like integrity, fortitude, dedication and respecting diversity so that they become caring and good human beings. It gives us immense pride to see our students achieve success in the field of sports, music, dance, theater and art besides their academic achievements.

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OUR EDITORIAL TEAM



Event/Activities

Billabong High International School, Noida hosted Litspree – An Inter-school Literature Festival



"There is no surer foundation for a beautiful friendship than a mutual taste in literature" - Pelham Greenville Wodehouse

Inspired by the great comic author, Billabong High International School, Noida hosted Litspree – An Interschool Literature Festival, on 8th & 9th September 2016.

Around 20 schools with over 400 students participated from Noida, Delhi & NCR with full gusto.

The vibrant activities Show n Tell, Pantomime, Masquerade, Stagecraft, The tale tellers, to name a few gave the learners a platform to exhibit their immense talent and knowledge. The age appropriate events enabled the learners to entertain, intrigue and enlighten themselves of books, authors, fables and love literature.

Various eminent personalities from the fields of dance, music and drama graced the occasion as jury members.

The learners were thoroughly engrossed during the events and imbibed a lot of knowledge through peer discussion as well. It was a huge platform where they not only showcased their oratory and creative skills but their intrapersonal and interpersonal skills as well.

The winners and participants were awarded with

certificates and awards for their zeal and hard work. The Principal, Ms Sharmila Chatterjee blessed and encouraged the participants.

BHI Encourages to 'Think Today for a Better Tomorrow' Through Their Yearly Science Fest



Billabong High International School, Noida (BHIS Noida), one of the premier schools to advocate integrated curriculum, celebrated the joy of science with "SCIENCE FEST" on 17th & 18th February, 2017.

Science is creating wonders almost every day! What was once sheer fantasy is now almost a reality by virtue of the recent achievements of people of this discipline. The advances in technology & science are transforming our world at an incredible pace, and our children's future will surely be filled with leaps in technology we can only imagine.

The theme of this year's Science Exhibition was 'Think Today for a Better Tomorrow' to make the next generation future ready. With the global warming gaining more impetus, children of today need to be prepared for tomorrow and inculcate habits of learning with scientific experiments that help them & the society to sustain and sail through. Living the curriculum vision of developing a passion for scientific enquiry and thinking, BHIS Noida rolled out its annual science festival enabling their children to enjoy & grow in this discipline. The Science Fest was an exciting explorative adventure full of surprises. Each grade had a theme of their to learn with experiments like Creativity is Contagious, Body Faculty, Harmony in Music – Pollution in Noise, Odyssey of mind, Great Barrier Reef, and more.

The learners of astronomy club showcased Earth & Beyond through presentations & experiments, the learners of Robotics Club presented around Mechanization and there were attractive ICT presentations on Man Vs Machines, developed in-

house by students of the school to enhance the learning process. The various clubs which showcased their works through various forms were Heritage club, Robotics club, Art club, Astronomy club, Literary club, Numeracy club, Science club, French club and more.

The kindergarten children of the school also had participated to showcase their trials & learning on Space Mania, Ombre – The Shadows and more through presentations on iPad, role plays, music & movement, interesting mind games, jingles, Nukkad Natak and much more.

The exhibition aimed to inspire students to think, connect and learn using knowledge, tools, technology & curricula of literacy to develop higher order thinking skills. Every learner tried his/her level best to imbibe every aspect which encompassed all the measures to make a better future for the upcoming generation. The scientific models and new innovations were a sight of treasure to relish and learn new concepts.

The school also set an example for others with the inclusion of experiments & participation from children at Sanchetna – the wing for education & development for children with special needs. The children also overwhelmed the audience with their informative presentations on Wonders of Green. This year's Science Exhibition was prelude to the standards set by Billabong High International Schools in curriculum and teaching learning processes. The honours and accolades received by the school only reaffirm the faith of our stakeholders in our vision and endeavours. The school added few more feathers in the cap as Billabong High International School, Noida got **“Ranked No.1 School of Noida & Uttar Pradesh”** by India's School Merit Awards 2016, awarded **“Best School for Excellence in Science Education”** at Global Education Summit 2016 and awarded for **‘Best ICT implementation, School Implementing PBL Methods of Inclusive Education’** among top Noida schools by Brainfeed. The school was also voted **“THE TOP SCHOOL OF INDIA”** by the ELETS Digital Learning –School Ranking Survey 2016.

The pre-primary wing Kangaroo Kids also got voted **“The Best Franchised Preschool of Noida”** on a survey by a leading education magazine, for the second consecutive year.

Report on Spic Macay

Dance is a conversation between the body and the soul.

Billabong High International School, Noida in collaboration with Spic Macay celebrated World Dance Day on the 25th April, 2017 with Manipuri dance form performances by the renowned Padmashree Guru Singhajit Singh who is a leading exponent, choreographer and a guru of Indian classical dance form of Manipuri conferred with Sangeet Natak Akademi Award in 1984 and the Padma Shri in 1986 for his contribution to the Manipuri dance alongwith Ms Charu Sija Mathur who is also a Sangeet Natak Akademi Award recipient.



The programme began with the traditional lightening of the lamp and a warm welcome note presented by the students of Billabong where the learners spoke on the importance of world dance day and emphasized on the inspirational motivation behind organizing a spic macay event based on the Manipuri genre of dance. The performers displayed a unique presentation portraying a distinctive amalgamation of the life and culture of Manipur.

At the end of the event, Guru Singhajit Singh interacted with the students and satiated their queries by sharing interesting facts & valuable inputs. The performers were applauded and a token of gratitude was given to them by the Director, Ms. Jasmine Gandhi and the Principal Ms. Sharmila Chatterjee.

Kangaroo Kids Present "The Creepy Crawlies Day"

Weaving a web of knowledge for children is one daunting task, which Kangaroo Kids undertook as the staff organized the “Creep and Crawlies Day” for little toddlers. Synonymous with the theme, learning was fun and exciting, as little ones understood complex concepts surrounding vermiculture, apiculture and the like.

Classrooms were transformed into colourful learning centres decorated with artistic displays, models and pictures where the little ones viewed the metamorphosis of caterpillars; life cycles of a spider, ladybug and other such species.



Astonishing facts and figures were creatively imparted with the help of short stories, puppet shows, movies, and exciting hands-on activities. Teachers had a field day as they donned the garb of bees, butterflies, and ladybugs and indulged in a song and dance, which enthralled the little ones. As the creepy and crawlies jostled for space, giving them competition were the dinosaurs, as children took a walk through a Jurassic-park like set-up all replete with models of different types of dinos, and took a quiz at the end of it all. This was not all to feed children's appetite; connoisseurs from diverse fields spoke to children on apiculture, vermiculture, and thereby imparted relevant knowledge.

The highlight of the exhibition was 'Dinosaur Kingdom' exhibited with life-size dino structures and an eloquent vocal presentation by children complemented the light & sound show beautifully. The exhibition also had reel shows on creepy crawlies for young visitors.

Another interesting facet of the exhibition was the Cinema Time for young visitors. Learners of Billabong High International Noida had prepared an entire shadow play on creepy crawlies. The children presented the show with their well-honed diction, precise voice modulations and impeccable intonations.



The curiosity in young minds about the world of insects gave Billabong High international school, an opportunity to re-create the enticing world of bugs by conducting the Adventures of Creepy Crawlies - a four day extravaganza.

The event saw approximately fifty five schools participate in the inter school events which were conducted on 12th and 13th of October 2017. The theme of the events revolved around the world of bugs and Dino's. Like innovative ways to create origami insects; using magic of colours to design an encyclopaedia cover; exercising the speech craft to recite poems in bugs enthralled the audience as well as the judges.

Little learners from various preschools of Noida and Ghaziabad came to witness the magic that these creepy crawlies weaved. Creative display of multi-legged creatures throughout the entire learning space made all the difference. There is no dearth to learning. The students who were a part of the entire event right from conducting the inter school events to enacting the baby Dino's truly made the event more majestic.

Kangaroo Kids has always endeavoured to break away from the traditional teaching practices with an orientation towards more experiential and contemporary concepts of learning. The curriculum stresses on "hands-on" learning which makes it less stressful and more interesting. This entails the creation of educational resource material that children can manipulate and interact with; this makes it stand out in stark contrast to other medium of instruction or information.

BHIS Noida Hosting 3rd All India Digvijay Singh Memorial Air Rifle Championship 2017



Billabong High International School, Noida is hosting 3rd All India Digvijay Singh Memorial Air Rifle/Air Pistol Championship in association with U.P State Rifle Association, Lucknow and National Rifle Association of India, New Delhi from 11th - 14th November 2017.

The Championship will be inaugurated by ace Indian shooter Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna and Padmashri awardee Mr. Gagan Narang on 11th Nov, 2017.

The tournament is open to ISSF shooters and the qualifiers of 61st NSCC. The matches of this competition will follow rules set by ISSF Air Rifle Qualification (non-decimal) as they will be played on paper targets. According to these rules, the key element of this tournament clearly outlines that participants of the Rifle category cannot participate in the Pistol category and vice versa.



Winner of this Championship (Pistol/Rifle) will be awarded cash prizes of Rs.50, 000 for Gold medalists, Rs.30, 000 for the Silver medalists and Rs.20, 000 for Bronze medalists, sponsored by Billabong High International School Noida. The finalists of 5+5 of Champion of Champion will each get cash prizes worth Rs.10, 000.

“Shooting is a game of focus and precision. We’re delighted to host this championship and set encouraging examples for young shooters to take up the sport enthusiastically and excel in it. We wish all the best to all the participants.” Said Mr. Parmjit Gandhi, Chairman of Billabong High International School, Noida.

Speaking on the occasion, Rifle ace Gagan Narang, who recently returned after winning silver at the Commonwealth Shooting Championships in Brisbane, Australia, said, "It is really exciting to see Shooting spreading its wings in this country and schools slowly but surely embracing the sport. It is from schools that Olympic champions of tomorrow will emerge. I commend Billabong High in taking this initiative to host the 3rd All India Digvijay Singh Memorial Air Rifle/Air Pistol Championship and I am very happy to be here and see students excited to know about the sport."

Under the aegis of G. D Education Society, located in Sector 34, on a sprawling seven-acre campus, affiliated with CBSE Senior Secondary, Billabong High International School, Noida has been serving the community in the field of Education since its inception in 2007. The school aims to provide education that produces well grounded, resilient and successful human beings.

With an enigmatic championship organized with much fervor and enthusiasm, the event will bring about immense knowledge and awareness about this vivacious sport.

Dates: 11th- 14th November, 2017

Venue: Billabong High International School, Noida

announcing the winners. The school believes and envisions to promote cricket at grassroots level, offer competitive exposure to promising cricketing talents in Noida schools and continue unearthing good cricketing talent.



Ms. Sharmila Chatterjee, Principal of BHIS & KK Noida said, “We are proud to host the second season of such one of a kind cricket tournament where more & more schools of Delhi-NCR are participating. At BHIS Noida, we believe sports and games are an integral part of the Total Education of any child and makes valuable contributions to psychomotor, cognitive and affective domains. Our endeavour is provide an array of opportunities for all learners to identify their dream and nurture it”.

The tournament is conducted on Knockout basis. Each team consists of 15 players and one coach. The match is 20 over a side. The School shall announce awards for Winner's Trophy, Runner's Up Trophy, Best All Rounder, Best Bowler, Best Batsman for the Final Match & Man of the Match award for winner of the knockout matches.

Schools across Noida & Ghaziabad that nurture cricket and have good teams are participating in the tournament.

Sports

Inter-School U-16 Cricket Tournament

Billabong High International School, Noida (BHIS Noida) humbly announces the onset of second season of the “T20 Billabong High International Inter School Cricket Tournament” (Under 16 Boys Category) 2017. It is a 6-day cricket series to inspire the young sportsmen and applaud the best.

The tournament started on 24th April and will end on 29th April 2017 with the closing ceremony

Annual Function

Billabong High International School, Noida hosted its Annual Function 2016 And Announces Indo-German Student Exchange Program

Noida, 13th November - Billabong High International School, Noida (BHIS, Noida) the admired CBSE school organized their annual functions on 13th of November' 2016. The function was graced by the presence of PROF. ABHISHEK MISHRA (Minister of Vocational and Skills Development, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh) and DR. R. GOPICHANDRAN (Director

Vigyan Prasar, Department of Science and Technology, Govt. of India).

The annual function 'ABHIVYAKTI' was a collection of events where all the learners of BHIS enthusiastically participated. The event began with a Sanskrit shloka where the learners deciphered their vocal devotion towards music and was followed by a musical and euphonious symphony where they showcased their vivaciousness by playing various musical instruments. It was followed by the announcement of the annual report by the Principal, Ms. Sharmila Chatterjee and the head council members who expressed the entire journey for excellence for the current academic session.

The cultural bonanza was dedicated to the great Bharat Ratna awardee late Dr. A.P.J Abdul Kalam and the students of Billabong presented a ballet depicting the life journey of the great legend late Dr. A.P.J Abdul Kalam, Ex-President India. The ballet witnessed a mixture of rhythmic presentations and a beautiful play depiction the jauntier of his life. The event finished with the vote of thanks to all the presented guests.

Speaking on the Occasion at Annual Function, Ms. Jasmine Gandhi, Director of BHIS & Kangaroo Kids said, "We are feeling proud and it's our honour to host our annual function. The function gives you a chance to witness the multiple talents of your own students. Their dedication & excellence towards function was commendable. By looking at these kids, we felt that we have nurtured them well and achieved what we are looking for and this is our highest rewards."

Honourable guests Mr. Abhishek Mishra and Dr. R. Gopichandran showered many praises for the show put together by the learners of BHIS, Noida. They wished well for each & every child of the school. The function was also graced by other dignitaries from German Embassy and German students who are here in India as part of the Indo-German Student Exchange Program in collaboration with Carl Duisberg Gymnasium, Germany.

Ms. Gandhi further added, "We would also like to introduce our Indo- German Student Exchange Program in association with Carl Duisburg Gymnasium, Germany. We are happy to host the German delegates (the students & teachers) and look forward to offer an unique learning experience through the cultural exchanges and an explorative study on the project."

The students from BHIS, Noida and CDG, Germany will work on the collaborative project "Critically analyzing the causes, consequences and solutions of river water pollution with examples from Yamuna

and WupperRiver". The programme would lend exposure on the Indian educational system, the culture and family values of both the countries to the learners. Total 11 students and 2 teachers from both the partner schools will host each other.

The Indian students shall visit Germany in the month of June, 2017. The German delegate will visit India from November 13th till 26th, 2016. German Students would get an opportunity to visit AES labs (Associated Engineering Solutions) Noida, to understand various analytical procedures related to water testing techniques. As a part of the project they shall also be conducting surveys in villages located along the rivers to understand the impact of water pollution. Educational and recreational trips to Rishikesh, Agra and Jaipur have been organized for the participants. To showcase the rich cultural heritage of India, the itinerary of the group includes a trip to the Akshardham Temple, Humayun's Tomb, Red Fort, QutubMinar, and Delhi Haat.



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Workshops

Student Workshops



Students at Billabong High International School are encouraged from a young age to take the initiative and go where no man has gone before. Their leadership qualities are nurtured through participation in a competitive house system and student prefectship. As they grow older, their latent abilities as leaders are further fostered through formal training programmes in life skills and Adolescent Peer Educators Program and in working towards an elected position on the Student Council. Student-driven initiatives are wholeheartedly supported and enthusiastically lauded with the objective to create and Aware-Responsible-Empowered citizens. Student council, participating as delegates in Modern United Nation.

Annual workshops held for our learners are:

- Personality development
- Effective study habits
- Stress Management
- Good and bad touch
- Problem loving skills
- Time management
- Self awareness
- Peer pressure

Scholars of the school

Harsh Tyagi of BHIS Noida Selected in India U-19 Cricket Team



Billabong High International School, Noida takes pride in felicitating Harsh Tyagi, a learner of the school in Grade XII, on being selected and played in the India under 19 Cricket Squad.

His proficiency is that he's a Bowling All-rounder and Left Arm Orthodox Spinner. His achievements have been:

1. Represented Delhi State Team under 23 Team in BCCI-C K Nayadu under 23 Trophy Tournament of season 2016-2017 and took 17 wickets in 8 innings.
2. Represented Delhi State Team Under 19 Team in BCCI-Cooch-Bihar Under 19 Trophy Tournament. Was second highest wicket taker in India and took 45 wickets in 12 innings.
3. Represented Delhi State Team in Under 19 BCCI-Vinoo Mankad Under 19 Trophy Tournament of season 2016-2017.
4. Represented Delhi State Team in Under 19 BCCI-Vinoo Mankad Under 19 Trophy Tournament of season 2015-2016 and Stand-Bye in Delhi State Team Under 19 Team in BCCI-Cooch-Bihar Under 19 Trophy Tournament.



5. Represented Delhi State in Under 16 BCCI-Vijay Merchant Under 16 Trophy Tournament in 2013.
6. Captained the Billabong High International School Team which won the 14th Captain Shashikant Cricket Tournament held at Greater Noida in 2015. In one match took 5 wickets giving only one run.
7. Net Bowler to Indian Team and Visiting Australian Team and West Indies Team at Ferozshah Kotla in 2013 and 2014 before their Test Match.
8. Played in DDCA league in 2014-15 and took 35 wickets and scored approximately 100 runs in 13 matches of the league. Took 5 wickets in 3 matches and 4 wickets in two matches as team member of Delhi Wanderers Club.

Cricket has enjoyed a prominent position in the sporting history of the city which has produced a number of skilled cricketers, who have gone on to achieve great laurels at the National level. To continue unearthing good cricketing talent, Billabong High International School, Noida has nurtured such talents with coaches of international repute.

Award in Special Education



Billabong received the School of the year award in special education

Be Safe on Roads



Road safety is the anticipation and insurance of street mischance's by utilizing all the road safety measures. It is to secure individuals while going on the streets. It is to make safe all the street clients, for example, people on foot, bikes, four-wheelers, multi-wheelers, and other transport vehicle clients. Honing street security measures is great and safe to all individuals all through the life. Everybody ought to regard others while driving or strolling out and about and deal with their security.

People safety out and about is a standout amongst the most vital angles keeping in mind the end goal to maintain a strategic distance from street side mischance's, damage, and demise. We can judge the significance of street security on the premise of national factual information about aggregate reported mischance's and demise. Right around 42% cases include people on foot and one way street clients. Taking after all the road safety measures help a great deal to ensure all the street issues. Some viable measures of street wellbeing resemble essential mindfulness about vehicle, protective driving as indicated by climate and street conditions. Utilization of vehicle lights and horn, wearing safety belt is been told every now and then. Well, utilization of vehicle mirrors, stay away from over-speeding, understanding street lights, keeping up separation of vehicle on street are the appropriate comprehension to take care of.

Articles

