Prize Distribution - I - XI (2013-14)

ACCOLADES AND ACCLAIM!!

Wednesday, April 30, 2014 saw the celebration of triumph and achievement at Amity International School, Sector – 46, Gurgaon as the Annual Prize Distribution Ceremony unfolded. The Principal of the school, Mrs. Arti Chopra welcomed Mr. Amod Kanth, the Chief Guest for the function, Dr. (Mrs.) Amita Chauhan, the Honourable Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools, and her mother.

The program commenced with the traditional lighting of the lamp, which was followed by a unique Puppet dance, highlighting the need for the empowerment of women in contemporary times and depicting the status and success of women achievers across the globe.

The Principal, Mrs. Arti Chopra dedicated her speech to the Chairperson Ma’am and her mother, and spoke to the gathering, informing them poetically of the laborious enterprise undertaken at the school to help it in its ascendance to the very pinnacle of glory. The Chairperson Ma’am in her speech complimented the students and parents alike in their commendable efforts aimed at maintaining the high standards that the school stood for.
Yuva Vichar Manch 2014

“If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more you are a leader.”
- John Quincy Adams

India— The largest democracy of the world. Parliament— The supreme body to discuss, debate and promulgate laws on national & international issues.

Amity has always made earnest efforts to provide young Amitians myriad avenues to groom them as ideal citizens of the country. Amity Yuva Vichar Manch is a novel initiative launched under the guidance and patronage of the Chairperson, Dr Amita Chauhan and with the blessings of the Founder President Dr Ashok K Chauhan, to train the students as future parliamentarians.

Amity International School, Sector 46, Gurgaon, hosted the 4th edition of this prestigious programme on 4th and 5th April 2014. The School Principal, Ms. Arti Chopra, firmly believes that need of the hour today is to empower young people as leaders as it would provide them a platform where they would learn to agree, disagree and respect the thoughts of their peers and commit their energies to work for the benefit of humanity and establish a stronger global fraternity.

All eight branches of Amity International Schools participated with immense enthusiasm in the two day programme where the vibrant speakers voiced their opinion on the prevalent issues such as Education, Life style Technologies, Cleaning of Rivers, Skewed Gender Ratio.

This spectacular show was filled with multiple leadership opportunities and a group of like minded passionate youth. It not only expanded knowledge and understanding of what goes in the parliament but also taught the youth parliamentary etiquette, advocacy and parliamentary procedure. It was indeed an apt platform for experiencing democracy at the highest level. The judges were enthralled by the vigour and enthusiasm of the dynamic speakers and applauded their earnest efforts.

_The Overall Trophy was won by Amity International School, Sector 46, Gurgaon._

Cyber Buzz ‘14

Cyber Buzz held at Amity International School Sector 43, Taanish Gupta and Aarushi Singh of class V won the third prize in ‘Impress’, Siddharth Gupta and Prakshal Jain of Class VIII won the Third Prize in ‘Pixel8’, Sanhit Bhat (X) and Rachit Agarwal of Class IX won the First Prize in ‘Animazone’.

Eduheal

Achintya Gupta of class VI –A stood second in the Eduheal Science Olympiad at National Level for session 2013-14 and has been awarded a tablet for the same.

Kabbier Bali Nag of class VI –A stood third in the Eduheal Cyber Olympiad at the National Level for session 2013-14 and has been awarded a camera for the same.

British Council Drama Competition

Diksha Sharma of Class IX H won the First Prize “Create Collaborate-Enact” held on 10th May 2014, at DLF Public School, Sector – 2 Rajendra Nagar, Sahibabad, Ghaziabad in expressing Commonwealth Values through Drama organized by British Council
A three-day science workshop by Mr. Reni Barlow, former executive director Youth science, Canada was organized at Amity International School, sector-46, Gurgaon. This event was possible only through the efforts of our chairperson Dr. Mrs. Amita Chauhan, who made it possible for the students to interact and learn from Mr Barlow. The workshop was conducted for students of Vth to IXth as well as for the science teachers of classes IIIrd to XIIth in different groups. He involved the students and demonstrated to them how some simple objects like toys, chemicals, aluminium rods or corrugated pipes can be used to engage not only the attention but also bring out the creativity, innovation, critical thinking which can help them in developing scientific aptitude and effective learning. He emphasized that if students are given opportunities to explore, inquire, discover and take charge of their learning they become more involved and enthusiastic learners. Parents were also invited to be a part of this exhilarating experience. They were happy to discover that teaching and learning science could be easy and fun.

A Workshop on Positive Parenting

REINVENTING OUR ROLES AND EQUIPPING OURSELVES FOR THE FUTURE

Parenting (or child rearing) is the process of promoting and supporting the physical, emotional, social, and intellectual development of a child from infancy to adulthood and refers to the aspects of raising a child aside from the biological relationship. Parenting takes a lot of skill and patience and is constant work and growth. On 3rd of May 2014, a workshop was conducted by Ms. Jyotsna Bharadwaj on Positive Parenting. Jyotsna Bharadwaj is a progressive educator and has been associated with the field of education for many years. She is a resource person with CBSE, Prabhaav, Edusolutions, Macmillan publishers and Expressions-India which works closely with school students and teachers on development programs across the country. She focussed on:

- Role alignment with changing times-changing perspectives
- Winds of change-Challenges of the present day world,
- Understanding the ‘global Child’, Parenting styles-understanding them and reflection

Parents found the workshop to be really useful and informative, as they gained a lot of insight and tips on parenting skills and interventions for handling children at this critical stage of development.
CREATIVITY AT ITS BEST

“When kids look up to great scientists the way they do, great musicians and actors, civilization will jump to the next level” - Brian Greene

The creative solving of varied problems like building mechanical devices, interpreting history in an original way; was the need of the hour at the Euro Fest of Odyssey of Mind held at Slovakia from 24th to 29th April. The two teams comprising 7 students of Amity International School, Sector 46, proved their mettle as under the able guidance and mentorship of our beloved Chairperson Ma’am, Dr. (Mrs.) Amita Chauhan, and motivation and guidance of the School Principal, Ms Arti Chopra they bagged the first prize for the long term problems in categories -The Stackable Structure and The Not -So-Haunted House. Under Division 1- team of The Not So – Haunted –House won the Most Creative Idea Award and First prize for Mixed Team problem.

The young Amitians made the nation proud by their mesmerizing performance on the rhythm and song of – “Mile Sur Mera Tumhara” and their team work with the students of Switzerland and Poland in the mixed team problem. Their punch line – “Yes, of course, with the blessings of the ghosts” drew a lot of appreciation from the judges and audience alike. Ms. Arti Chopra congratulated the prize winners on their stupendous performance against 25 competing countries.

An Educational Trip for AFYIP Students

The expedition to Teri Gram broadened the horizons of the students and proved to be great learning experience as they witnessed the self sufficient model of power generation of the training facility which harnesses traditional and modern means of tapping renewable sources of energy to offer all modern amenities.

The students of AFYIP also visited the prestigious campus of IIT, Delhi and AIIMS to gather first hand information about the working of these world famous institutions.
The words of the legendary statesman provide us with the raison d'être for conducting and participating in MUN Conferences, which is training the statesmen of tomorrow. Under the able guidance and mentorship of our beloved Chairperson Ma’am, Dr. (Mrs.) Amita Chauhan, Amitians have made their talents, argumentative and negotiation skills known at MUN Conferences in many nations. This was fully accomplished through the participation of selected students of AIS, 46, under the aegis of AERC in the 4th Budapest International Model United Nations – BIMUN Conference, held in Budapest, Hungary, during 11th – 15th of April, 2014.

Eötvös József Secondary School, one of the most prestigious secondary schools in Hungary was the venue for the keen debates of this prestigious event which saw the advent of High school and university students from every corner of the world.

From amongst the 400 delegates representing 25 countries, the students of AIS – 46, Gurgaon, walked away with some of the top honours at a glittering ceremony held at the City Hall Center in Budapest. Aditya Tripathi won the Best Delegate of the prestigious Security Council as well as the Overall Best Delegate Award at the Conference. Saumya Manidhar was appointed as the Speaker of HRC and Satyajyoti Nanda was honoured as the President of IAEA.

Youth Power

“Youth Power 2013-14”, an initiative of Dr. (Mrs.) Amita Chauhan- Chairperson, Amity International Schools is a social leadership program aimed at grooming Amity students in becoming leaders and change initiators.

Young leaders from across all Amity International Schools worked on different social issues related to women, by forming teams, researching topics, designing plans of action, generating funds and finally showcasing their work in the form of a presentation at the Finale at the Amity Campus, Noida. Amity International School - 46, Gurgaon focused on vocational training for women where students were able to empower fifteen women with special skills.

The event was graced by Padamshree Shovana Narayan- renowned Kathak Danseuse, and eminent guests from the Government of India. Dr. Narayan lauded the efforts of Dr. (Mrs.) Amita Chauhan for giving such a meaningful and thought provoking platform to students.

Dr. (Mrs.) Amita Chauhan said it was really overwhelming to see today’s generation connected to issues afflicting society, working so hard towards resolving them through humble, but meaningful initiatives.

The teams were judged by an eminent jury. The AIS 46 team bagged the best creative communication award and also won the second runners up overall, trophy for their project.
ORIENTATION IX & XI

Orientation for class IX was held on 02nd April 2014 and for Class XI on 7th April for the parents at Amity International School, Sec 46, Ggn. This was done to facilitate the parents with the new pattern of CCE and to give them valuable inputs on Parenting, School Rules, Evaluation System and effective usage of Amitranet.

The programme commenced with the lighting of the lamp accompanied by the chanting of the Gayatri Mantra. This was followed by a devotional song rendered by students of Class IX. The Principal, Ms. Arti Chopra addressed the parents and gave them valuable insights into parenting and Multiple intelligence as well as cyber security.

This was followed by the introduction of CCE pattern of education and its implications and the continuous and comprehensive evaluation pattern by the Coordinator Ms Shalini Agarwal for the benefit of the parents. The School Counselor spoke about the schools rules and regulation and also explained the card system of warning which is effectively used to ensure discipline in school premises. The Promotion Policy and the new integrated programme for Competitive Examinations was also introduced to the parents and students.

The special educator, discussed about the Learning Centre being run by the school for the students facing learning challenges such as dyslexia, ADHD etc.

The programme was appreciated by all and the parents also enjoyed the display of Work Ex and Art Ed. Outside the MP Hall.

AWARENESS AGAINST CYBER CRIME

Under the able guidance of the Chairperson, Dr. (Ms.)Amita Chauhan, a workshop was conducted on Cyber Safety in Amity international School, Sector 46, Gurgaon by Mr. Rakshit Tandon, an advisor and Investigation Expert to Cyber crime Unit of Uttar Pradesh Police at Agra and Cyber Crime Cell of Gurgaon , Haryana Police.

Cyber crime is a rapidly growing menace in today’s society and threatens young and old alike. As Mr Rakshit Tandon explained the ambit of cyber crime is no longer restricted to an email mischief, rather its tentacles have grown to encompass serious offences like identity theft, financial fraud, cyber defamation etc.

The interactive sessions held by Mr Tandon, both with the students and the Principals of Amity Schools, were platforms where they could learn measures to prevent cyber crime and safe guard themselves.

The School Principal, a vocal advocate of raising awareness amongst the students against Cybercrime ended the session with a summing up of the threat faced by all of us and urged the students to ensure that the internet remains a boon for the whole world and does not become the bane of the society.
Earth Day Celebrations

Earth Day was celebrated as a three week activity commencing on 7th April 2014 under the guidance of Mrs. Arti Chopra, Principal and carried forward by her strong team of teachers.
Various activities were planned and conducted for the students like Collage Making, Clay Modeling/Paper Mache, Model Making, Project Reports on topics given related to our planet EARTH. To carry this effort forward and motivate the young minds eminent Geographer Dr Sudhanshu Sinha, the Regional Monitoring and Evaluation lead of British Council programmes in 7 South Asian countries like Afghanistan, Pakistan, Bangladesh, India, Nepal, Sri Lanka and Iran, gave a talk on Climate Change on 25th April 2014.

The brilliant work of the students was displayed at AIS, Vasundhara and was followed by a much appreciated Nukkad Natak.

Annual Farewell 2013-14

Amity International School Sec-46, Gurgaon organized its Annual Farewell Function on Wednesday Apr.23,2014 to bid a tearful and emotional adieu to the outgoing class XII students. The event commenced spiritually with the lamp lighting ceremony by the honourable Principal, Ms. Arti Chopra followed by the mesmerizing recital of Shlokas to invoke the blessings of the Almighty. Enthralling song and dance performances were presented by the students of class XI and titles were awarded. Students got encapsulated with the exciting games and other gala performances. The event culminated with the announcement of prizes in various categories. The highlights of the day were Mr. and Ms. Amity contest and the titles were bagged by Lakshay Chhillar and Ishita Sahay. Vathul B.S was awarded as the most witty contestant and Sriraj Bhattacharya as the most Talented contestant. Aishwarya and Namit Chatrath were presented the best dressed female and male. On behalf of the Schools’ Management, Faculty and students of AIS-46 Principal congratulated the prize winners and blessed the children for their bright and prosperous future ahead. These nostalgic memories will always be treasured by one and all....
“READING MAHOTSAVA 2014”, the reading extravaganza was organized by AIS, 46 from April 15 to April 30, 2014 during the school hours in the school premises and witnessed an unprecedented enthusiasm amongst the students across the school. The major highlights of the events were:

- Reading Supplementary Books followed by fun filled Activities like- cross word puzzles, character enactment, etc.
- Interesting Competitions and Activities like Literary Quiz, Role Play, Badge Making, Making of Book Jackets, Designing of Book Covers, etc.
- Interaction sessions with famous Authors:
  01. Dr. Ved Prakash Pandey --------- on 21st April’14 for classes VI to VII
  02. Sh. Vivek Kundu -------------- on 22nd April’14 for classes I to II
  03. Mrs. Rupa Gupta ------------- on 23rd April’14 for classes III to V
  04. Sh. K.K. Verma --------------- on 25th April’14 for classes VIII to X
- Prize distribution of the various competitions held during this festival and Book exhibition were organized on 3rd May’14. The proud winners were awarded with a certificate and a book.

Excellence in Sports
Sanvi Sharma of Class 4-E won the Bronze Medal (08 years category—Kumite) in the ALL INDIA KARATE CHAMPIONSHIP - NATIONAL LEVEL (10th Kotka Cup - 2014), organised by 'International Karate Federation, India' on 26th—27th April 2014 at Talkatora Stadium, New Delhi.