



INDIAN SCHOOL JALAN ANNUAL REPORT 2023-24

“Great things are done by a series of small things brought together”

Vincent Van Gogh

BRIEF REPORT

The classes for the academic year 2023-24 commenced on 3 April 2023 with 297 students on roll which has now increased to 386. Around 136 students took admission in the academic year 2023-24. It is a remarkable achievement as the expected strength was 350-360.

Board Examination Results:

The ninth batch of class X students passed out in May with 100% result. The result was released on 12 May 2023. Out of the 14 students appeared for the examination; Shamak Barua secured the first position. Shri Hari and Gowri S Sasank bagged the second and third spots respectively. The school had an average of 80 % approx which is highly appreciable. I take this opportunity to thank all the students, their parents and the teachers for their hard work and dedication to achieve this result.

Parent Orientation Programme

Parent-orientation programmes are important for the development of a school. They play a crucial role in fostering effective communication between parents and educators.

This year's Parent-Orientation Programme was held on 24 May 2023. Mrs. Omira Aslam, Mrs. Seena Thomas and Mr. Vazith N conducted sessions for KG, Primary and Secondary sections respectively. The participation of the parents was overwhelming.

Teachers' Training Programmes

Training programmes are essential for the professional development of a teacher. They equip teachers with the necessary skills and knowledge to excel in their roles, fostering continuous development.

The teachers of Indian School Jalan attended several training programmes online and offline during this academic year.

A two-day self-development workshop was organized at our school on 31st July and 1st August, in which teachers were the resource persons. Our teachers, Mrs. Vidhyarani, Mr. Satheesh, Mrs. Simi, Mr. Vazith, Mrs. Rubina and Mr. Micheal conducted sessions on various topics like Creative Methods to Teach Languages, Letter Writing, Common Errors in English, Basic Computer Skills, etc.

Board of Directors, Indian Schools in Oman, has taken initiatives and conducted Capacity Building Programmes for teachers twice this academic year; first on 1st and 2nd September 2023 at Indian School Muscat. The second CBP was held on 19th, 20th and 21st January 2024 at Indian School Al Gubra, Indian School Darsait and Indian School Muscat respectively in which three of our teachers participated.

Students' Council:

Leaders can be made if the children are given opportunities to lead, plan and decide from their young age. School is the right place for the same. Like every year, the students' Council elections were held in a democratic manner on 1 May 2023. Master Adhithyan S was elected as Head Boy and Miss Susmita Mohajan as Head Girl. Other than that 8 House captains were also selected who worked diligently all around the year. Class prefects and blooms were also selected and given charge.

Achievements and Accolades

The Academic year 2023-24 witnessed a number of special achievements, many of them for the first time in the history of Indian School Jalan. Let's have a brief glimpse of them.

Achievements in Inter-school Competitions

Inter-school competitions play a vital role in promoting teamwork and honing diverse skills among students. These events provide a platform for students to showcase their talents, build confidence and encourage social interaction. Board of Directors, Indian Schools in Oman, initiated various inter-school competitions in which our students also participated. Though Indian School Jalan is situated approx. 275 kms away from the city, but we make it a point that the students participate in all major competitions held at Muscat and nearby areas.

STAI 2023

Our students participated in Science, Technology and Innovation (STAI) organized by Indian School Al Mabela in September 2023. Akshay R of Class IX and Aradhya R of Class V were among the winners of the daily quizzes held as a part of the mega event. Helen Jacob, Waniya Shafiq and Lella Shri Vaishnavi secured A+ grade in Conscientia in the senior category.

Ayilya M, Diya Maria Santhosh and Angel Ann Praveen secured A grade in Conscientia in junior category.

Mon Avis* – Ambassador's Polemic Challenge

Joyantika Mallick and Juvanna Jaison of Class X participated in the prestigious Ambassador's Polemic Challenge hosted by Indian School Al Wadi Al Kabir in August 2023. Our students' performance in the competition was highly creditable.

Indian School Talent Fest (ISTF)

30 students of Indian School Jalan participated in 13 events in Indian School Talent Fest hosted by Indian School Muscat in November 2023.

Abhay Roshan, Akshay R, Ayilya M and Muhammed Febin won A+ grade in Digital Photography and Album Making. Adith Prasanth, Muhammed Febin, Muhammed Shazil, Muhammed Fayiz, Anant Krishna Vineesh and Athul S secured A+ grade in Mime. Adley Monia George and Adithyan M won A grade in Collage.

Adi Sankar and Joyantika Mallick secured B+ grade in Hindi Recitation and Sonnet writing respectively.

Indian School Film Festival (ISFF)

22 students participated in the Indian School Film Festival (ISFF) 2023-34. The valedictory ceremony was held at Indian School Al Seeb on 28 January. Our participants secured B+ grade in the film festival.

Teachers' Achievements

Mrs. Mary Sujitha was won the school-based Best Teacher Award for the academic year 2022-23.

Navin Asher Kazi Award 2023-24

Under the category of Teaching-Learning Material, Mrs. Sandhya Rakesh won the first position for making the best TLM which showcases the cultural art forms of Kerala. It is a prestigious award and Mrs. Sandhya made all of us proud by winning the award. She received the award in the Best Teacher Award Ceremony on 18th January at Indian School Bousher.

General Exhibition: 'Eureka Fest- 2023'

Eureka Fest – 2023 was held on 31 August 2023 to provide a platform for the students to use their scientific knowledge. A total of 23 students participated in the exhibition in three categories – Sub-juniors (V & VI), Juniors (VII & VIII) and Seniors (IX & X).

New Appointments

Mrs. Asarani was appointed as KG in September 2023.

Celebrations:

Celebrations promote a sense of community and cultural awareness. It also enhances student motivation and the overall wellbeing of an individual.

The 77th Independence Day of India was celebrated on 15 August 2023 with patriotic fervor.

Teachers' Day and Onam celebrations were held on 5 September 2023.

Gandhi Jayanti Special Assembly was held on 2 October 2023. As a part of the Swatcha Abhiyan an initiative to create awareness about clean environment among students, , students of Classes V to X cleaned the school campus.

Children's Day was celebrated on 14 November 2023 with a variety of cultural programmes performed by the teachers. Fun games also were organized for the students as a part of the celebration.

Christmas was celebrated on 21 December with students performing dances and singing carols.

The 75th Republic day of India was celebrated in the school premises 26th January 2024, with great enthusiasm and patriotic fervor.

Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav

As a part of Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav a CBSE initiative to create awareness and importance about regional language among students, variety of programmes and activities were organized at our school from 28 September 2023 to 11 December 2023. The activities were related to Environment, Literature, Cuisine, Surroundings, School, Values, Numeracy & Mathematics, Unique Talents, Thoughts & Ideas and Reading & Expressions. One of the main attractions was signatures by teachers and students in their respective mother tongues on the green board displayed in the corridor.

Sports and Games:

In order to promote the leadership qualities and physical fitness, the students are grouped into four different Houses: Red, Green, Blue and Yellow, and inter house tournaments are organized in Football, Basketball, Kho-Kho, Throwball, Chess and Athletics.

30th Annual Athletic Meet of the school was organized on 4 December, 2023 starting with a colourful March-past, Mass drills and Athletic finals. Mr. Khalfan Mohammad Surur Al Senaidi, Proprietor & Managing Director, Dhiya Jalan Group, was the Chief Guest. The Green House won the overall trophy with the Red House as runners up.

The school teams participated in the CBSE Cluster Kho-Kho and Athletics tournaments at Indian School Nizwa and Indian School Boshar respectively.

Study Tours & Picnics:

Educational tours always give the students practical experience of the world. Students of KG I to class III were taken to Al Wafi Park for a day's programme.

Students of class III-V were taken on a trip to Sur and those of Class VI-X to Muscat.

Around 300 students made use of these opportunities to enhance their knowledge and to improve critical thinking skills.

Class X Farewell

The outgoing students of class X were given a hearty farewell by the students of Class IX. They received blessings from the teachers for the upcoming Board Examinations and for their bright future. Students who excelled in various areas were awarded with titles. Titles were given by the peer group after the popularity voting was conducted. Students were overwhelmed after receiving the same.

Counselling

Counselling sessions play a vital role in providing a supportive space to students facing personal, emotional and health challenges. We organized a counseling Seminar for the students of classes VI - X on 11 February, 2024.

Mrs. Soniya George and Mrs. Hudha Fathima from Indian School Al Mabela were the resource persons. The counsellors enlightened students on Mindfulness, Emotional Awareness and Coping up Skills and Exam Preparation. The programme was very fruitful and it was well appreciated by all the participants.

Pariksha Pe Charcha

Pariksha Pe Charcha is an initiative started by Honourable Prime Minister Mr. Narendra Modi to discuss and exam-related stress. The students of VIII, IX and X attended the 7th edition of Pariksha Pe Charcha conducted online on 29 January 2024. Around 65 students participated in the online conference.

Let me brief the New Initiatives Taken

School-Monitored Bus Transport

School buses play a crucial role in ensuring the safety and accessibility of education for students who cannot afford other forms of transportation. This year, school-monitored buses started service for the students from Al Kamil, Al Wafi and Bu Ali.

Appointment of Coordinators

Coordinators play a pivotal role in overseeing various aspects of a school's academic and co-scholastic programmes. Mr. Satheesh Sebastian was appointed as Academic Coordinator and Mr. Micheal Stephen Raj as Co-scholastic Coordinator.

Audio Visual Aids in Classrooms

The school is galloping towards the path of digitalizing the classrooms and making them smart. Six classrooms were equipped with TVs to make teaching and learning easier and more enjoyable. Two smartboards will be installed in a few days.

Today's world depends on AI a lot. Keeping in view the future challenges, the school has decided to invest in the upgradation of facilities.

Biometric Attendance System for Staff

For increased accuracy and security of staff attendance, biometric attendance system was introduced for all the teaching and non-teaching faculty of the school.

Introduction of P E Uniform

P E uniform came into effect in December 2023. The outfit comprises of T-shirts (blue, green, red and yellow – the four house colours) and black track pants. Students wear it on days when they have P E periods.

Future Initiatives (Academic Year 2024-25)

Uniform change

The school is in the process of changing students' uniform w.e.f the next academic year. We conducted a survey on the same and most of the parents responded positively.

Audio visual facilities in all classrooms.

Audio visual aids are going to be installed in the remaining few classrooms shortly.

Introduction of Skill Subjects As per CBSE Skill education prepares learners for jobs based on manual or practical activities, traditionally non-academic and related to a specific trade, occupation, or vocation. The board has taken charge of empowering school students with essential life and employability skills.

Skill subjects are going to be introduced in Class VI – X in the next academic year.

The upgradation the school to Senior Secondary level is another goal for which we have submitted the proposal to the Board of Director , Indian schools in oman On further approval and upgradation of facilities we aim to start the Senior secondary classes in the AY 25-26.

Alumni Association:- After completion of 32 years in the field of education Indian School Jalan has shaped the life of many young children who has

attained success and has grown to be the next generation citizens. To know more about the ex students and to pool the resources ISJ is planning to start Alumni association.

To conclude

We are fortunate to have a group of sincere and dedicated staff, a helpful management Committee and supportive parent community to enhance the teaching learning process in the school and make it enjoyable.

I take this opportunity to congratulate all my students and thank all my staff members who work diligently for the welfare of our school and for the hard work and dedication they have put in for training the children particularly for this day.

On this auspicious day I wish all my dear students of class X who is going to appear for Board Examination starting from 21 February a very Best of Luck.

“All dreams are within reach. All you have to do is keep moving towards them.”

Viola Davis

Thank you very much, best wishes and good evening to all.