QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER



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PARDADA PARDADI EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY

Happy New Year 2025

As we welcome the year 2025, we reflect with deep gratitude on the unwavering support, kindness, and belief that have fueled our journey.

Honouring the vision of our late founder, Virendra Sam Singh, we, on behalf of the entire PPES team, the girls, and the women whose lives are being transformed, extend our heartfelt thanks to each of you for standing with us in our mission to empower and uplift underprivileged rural girls and women. May this year bring new opportunities, meaningful connections, and continued progress towards creating a more equitable future for all.

With gratitude and hope, Team PPES



AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

PPES Recognized as a Top Philanthropy School

PPES has been ranked #3 in India and #1 in Uttar Pradesh in the 'Best Philanthropy School of the Year' category by the Education World Awards 2024. The awards recognise India's best schools through extensive field interviews. This honour celebrates the dedication of our students, educators, and supporters across the PPES community.





PPES recognized as the 'Most Trusted NGO of the Year'



We have been named the 'Most Trusted NGO' of the Year' in the education category at the 2nd Edition of the Fortune Leadership Awards.

PPES Honoured with Mr. Justice D. S. Tewatia Memorial Award



We have also been awarded Mr. Justice D. S. Tewatia Memorial Award for outstanding contribution towards national development.

HIGHLIGHTS

Sam Memorial Service Event

The Sam Memorial service was held in the US to honour the legacy of Sam sir. Friends, family, and admirers came together to celebrate his unwavering commitment to empowering girls and transforming rural communities.

The event featured heartfelt stories and tributes, highlighting the profound impact he had on countless lives.





Celebrating Founder's Day









Founder's Day, celebrated every year on December 31st, is a time to honour our achievements, strengthen team bonds, and reaffirm our shared vision.

This year, following the passing of Sam Sir, we celebrated the day for the first time without him. It was a heartfelt tribute to his inspiring legacy. We reflected on his vision, cherished shared memories, and enjoyed joyful activities like team games, sports, and fun events. His legacy continues to inspire us to carry forward his dreams with pride and unity.

Alumni Meet 2024: A Joyous Reunion

On October 31st, over 190 alumni gathered for the annual Alumni Meet, celebrating their achievements and journeys. They expressed gratitude to their teachers by lighting phone torches and writing heartfelt messages for students on T-shirts.

The event featured a fashion show, Diwalithemed performances, Zumba, and fun games, showcasing the lasting bond between alumni and the school.





Exploring Innovations: Visit to IIT Delhi's Open House



We are thrilled to share that our 50 students and 50 teachers had the incredible opportunity to visit the IIT Delhi Open House on November 10th. Students and educators experienced the cutting-edge innovations, technology, and research happening at India's premier institutions. Our supporter and education transformation consultant, Mr. Lalit Sharma, has played a pivotal role in organizing the visit.



EDUCATION UPDATES

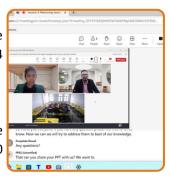
Sessions by EY Foundation

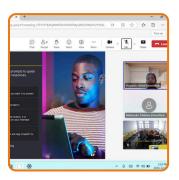
Cybercrime Awareness Session

EY Foundation conducted a session for 8th graders on cybercrime risks and online safety, attended by over 200 students and 4 teachers.

Virtual Workshop on Cyber Safety and AI

EY Foundation hosted a 2-day workshop on cyber safety, crime reporting, and using AI to enhance learning, attended by 200 students and 150 teachers.





Exposure Trips





This quarter, we organized two enriching educational tours to inspire learning beyond the classrooms.

Classes 4 and 5, visited the Delhi Rail Museum, and class 11 students visited Fatehpur Sikri.

Excellence Camp for Academic Success



An excellence camp was held from October 3rd to 25th for 22 girls from classes 10 and 12. Designed to boost their performance in the upcoming half-yearly exams, the camp offered intensive academic sessions and personalised guidance. The focused approach equipped students with effective study techniques to excel in their exams. This is the 3rd year of organising the excellence camps.



SPORTS

Rajiya: A Young Sports Champion

Rajiya, a class 6th student, has always excelled in sports, particularly Taekwondo and Karate. Her dedication paid off when she won a bronze medal in the SGFI State-Level Taekwondo tournament, inspiring her peers and making PPES proud.

When she qualified for the SGFI National Karate tournament, her parents were hesitant to let her participate, but she was determined to pursue it. Rajiya competed in the SGFI National Karate tournament from December 14th to 17th, marking PPES' debut at Karate nationals. As the youngest team member, she is an inspiration to everyone.



PPES Hosted 2nd Edition of U-17 Basketball Championship

The 2nd Edition of the PPES U-17 Basketball Championship brought together eight teams from various districts of Uttar Pradesh, which included Meerut, Bareilly, Noida, Ghaziabad, Hapur, and Bulandshahr. The tournament culminated in thrilling finals between the PPES team and the Meerut District team, with the PPES team being the winner.

We were honoured to have Ms. Barkha Sonkar, an international basketball player, as the chief guest, and Ms. Chetna Mittal, an accomplished businesswoman, as our guest of honour.







Junior NBA Basketball Championship



Eight of our students showcased exceptional talent at the Sub-Jr. NBA (3x3) State Championship (Phase-1) from Nov 4th to 6th at I.G.I. Stadium, Delhi. Both teams were selected to play in phase -2 of the competition, which is scheduled to be organised at Basketball Indoor Stadium, Lok Vihar, Delhi, from January 9th to 13th.



68th National Hockey Championship



We are exceptionally proud of students Yashi and Rajwala, who showcased their talent in the 68th National Hockey Championship held in Rohtak, Haryana, from November 22nd to 27th.

District Kho-Kho Tournament 2024



On October 3rd, the 68th Kho-Kho District tournament was held at Saudan Singh Janata Adarsh Inter College, Talbibiyana, with 50 teams. In the girls' category, Anupshahr region secured 1st place across all age groups. 20 PPES students participated.

68th Secondary School Sports Championship

- Five students participated in the 68th Secondary School Hockey State-Level competition from October 7th to 11th in Gorakhpur under the sub-junior category and three in the junior category. The junior team secured 1st place.
- Nine students represented the Meerut division in the 68th Secondary School Kho-Kho State-Level competition from October 20th to 22nd in Ayodhya, with the senior team securing 3rd place.
- Eleven students competed in the 68th State Volleyball competition from October 15th to 17th in Bareilly across subjunior, junior, and senior categories, gaining valuable experience.
- Four students participated in the 68th Secondary School Cricket State-Level competition from November 16th to 18th in Mainpuri. Both junior and senior teams secured 1st place.
- One student represented Uttar Pradesh in the 68th Secondary School Basketball Senior Nationals from November 20th to 26th in Patiala, showcasing great energy.
- Two students represented Uttar Pradesh in the 68th Secondary School Hockey Junior Nationals from November 22nd to 27th in Rohtak, displaying impressive teamwork and skills.
- Nine students participated in the 68th Secondary School Taekwondo Divisional Karate competition on November 11th, winning six gold and three silver medals, with six qualifying for the state-level tournament.







VISITS AND EVENTS

PPES 24th Annual Day Celebration







On November 28th, we proudly celebrated our 24th Annual Day. The event was a joyous occasion filled with vibrant cultural performances and an impressive NCC parade by our students.

We were deeply honoured to welcome Ms. Sonia Nagpal, Vice President of CSR & ESG at SBI Cards, as our esteemed chief guest. Additionally, we were privileged to have our board member, Ms. Geeta Athreya, grace the occasion as the guest of honour.

Launch of Rays of Hope - Second Edition

We are happy to share the second edition of Rays of Hope, a book of stories and illustrations created by our talented students, featuring reallife experiences and personal stories that has been successfully launched. We would like to thank the volunteer, Ms. Nia Singh, who raised funds for the project.





Dental Hygiene Session by Colgate Palmolive

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On November 20th, the Colgate Palmolive team conducted a dental hygiene session for 198 students of class 8th. The session focused on educating students about proper dental care practices.

Celebrated Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi



On October 2nd, we observed Mahatma Gandhi's 155th birth anniversary with a program and a cleanliness drive at Mastram Ghat, Ganga to support the "Clean India" mission.

PPES Team at Various Events





We showcased our students' handcrafted Madhubani and Mandala art and coasters at events in Cushman & Wakefield, Daan Utsav, and the Diwali Bazaar at the EY office. These artworks were created by the girls during their art and craft classes. The events also served as an opportunity to spread awareness about PPES' vision of empowering rural girls and women.

Inter School Competition at PPES



On November 12th, we hosted an interschool competition with 22 schools from Bulandshahr district. Fifty students from classes 8, 9, and 11 showcased their singing, painting, and eco-friendly craftsmanship talents on themes like patriotism, environmental conservation, and Digital India.



Gugni Gill Panaich Inspires Students

We were thrilled to welcome Gugni Gill Panaich, the renowned actress, director, producer, and entrepreneur to our school. During her visit, she engaged in various activities and connected deeply with our students, encouraging them to dream big and pursue their goals with confidence. Her inspiring words and vibrant spirit left the girls motivated and empowered, igniting a renewed determination to achieve their aspirations.





VOLUNTEER SESSIONS

Cultural and Personality Development Sessions



From October 9th to 19th, Johanna conducted sessions on Dutch culture and personality development for 233 girls, enhancing their global perspective, self-awareness, and confidence.

Book Reading Session by Alysia Dempsy



From October 22nd to 26th, Alysia Dempsy hosted a book-reading session for 682 students, sharing insights and life lessons through storytelling.

Visit by Canadian Well-Wishers



Supporters and donors from the Canada Chapter, Mr. Arun Kumar, Mrs. Neelam Kumar, and Mr. Surendra Kumar Tarangi, visited the school and community. They dedicated 10 days to volunteering.

HEALTH & HYGIENE

- The Prana Health Center provided treatment to 4028 patients, continuing its vital role in healthcare for students.
- 1265 students underwent comprehensive physical health check-ups, ensuring their well-being.
- 77 students received their third dose and 147 students received their first dose of the HPV vaccination.
- Blood group tests were conducted for 68 individuals, contributing to our health database.
- Health education classes reached 3076 students across multiple grades, covering crucial topics such as BMI awareness, tuberculosis prevention and management, oral hygiene, and the importance of dental care.



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

Animal Health Awareness Camp

On October 26th, an Animal Health and Awareness Camp was held in Gangapur Village in collaboration with the Veterinary Department, Uttar Pradesh. The camp educated 70 (Self-help group) SHG members on proper animal care, health, disease prevention, and treatment, empowering them to improve animal welfare in their community. The initiative is under the EY Foundation-supported project 'Utthan'.





Inauguration of Broom-Making Enterprise





We proudly announce the launch of "Ma Vaibhav Lakshmi Jhadu Udhan," a broom-making enterprise by our (self-help group) SHG members, led by Ms. Mamta Rani, in Bheempur village, Bulandshahr. The inauguration was graced by distinguished guests from the local administration. The initiative is under the EY Foundation-supported project 'Utthan'.

Skill Development training on Dairy and Vermicompost





On December 3rd, in collaboration with RSETI (Rural Self Employment Training Institutes), we conducted a skill development training on dairy farming and vermicomposting for 35 women in Satwa village. The program empowered these women with practical knowledge and techniques to enhance their livelihoods. The training covered sustainable dairy management practices and vermicompost production. The training was conducted under the EY Foundation-supported project 'Utthan'.

ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT

iVillage has been honoured with two prestigious awards: the 'UN Women WEPs Award' in the SME Champions category celebrating the dedication of rural women workforce, and the second one being 'Social Excellence Award' by the Delhi Management Association (DMA), celebrating the remarkable contributions to the society.





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