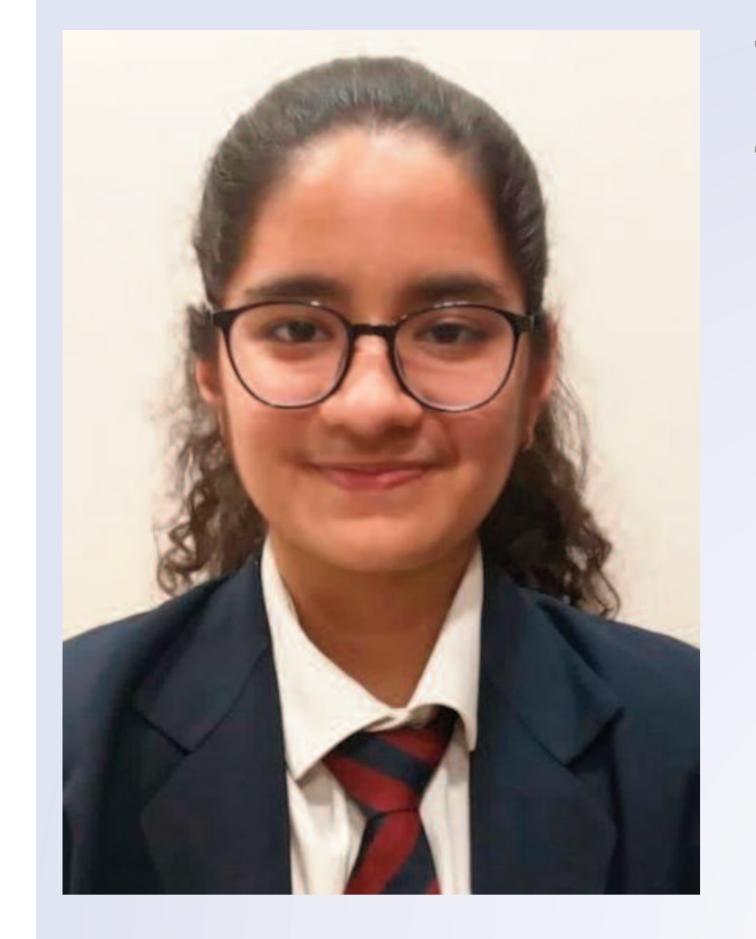
No Wonder We Are Jumping With Glee, As Amitians Shine Bright With AIR 3



66 Twas really shocked," says Anika, when quizzed about her being a CBSE rank holder, "It was only much later that the reality sunk in and happiness kicked in." While celebrations are in full fervour, one can only imagine that the journey to the top must have not been as easy. "Actually, it is not that tough. Consistency is the key. You just need to be regular with your studies, so you don't have to cram everything in one

## Designing destiny

Elaborating further she says, "Besides, it is important to Anika Arora strike a balance between aca-AIS Noida AIR 3, Class X demics and co-CBSE Board curricular Score: 498/500 activities. It kind of keeps you synergised." But aren't toppers the ones who shut all doors only to ponder over books? "Not at all! I never shut myself from the outside world even during my boards. I was in the school basketball team and have been regularly participating in painting competitions and MUNs. Even during my exams, I would still go out to play and also paint. And this did not hamper my studies. Instead, it left me rejuvenated and enabled me to study with greater focus." Anika may have her own suc-

cess mantra, but she credits her

success to her alma mater. "I have been in this school since Nursery. The school and its positive environment has not just kindled positive values in me, but also made me a wholesome individual. Even during the pandemic, school worked with a positive spirit. It reduced the learning loss as much as possible through online classes, providing us with numerous resources such as previous year's papers, worksheets, assignment, et al." She is also thankful to her family members for being a great source of motivation.

With dreams of becoming a designer, Anika is already designing her own story, and a successful one for sure.



dancer, an artist, a vora-Acious reader, an embroidery and crochet enthusiast and now a CBSE rank holder that's Maanya Gupta for you. Basking in the glory of her achievement she says, "I am very satisfied. I worked hard for this the entire year, and it feels great to be getting the result. My family is also very happy. In fact, the people in my society were very happy for me, as many of them came down to congratulate me."

## Many hats of topper

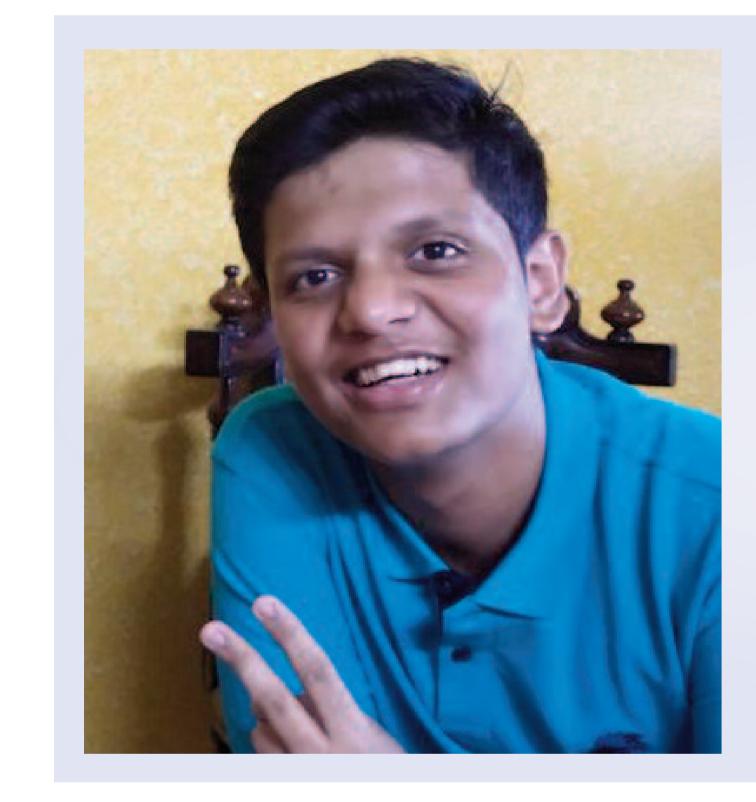
While toppers are usually viewed as nerds, who just Maanya Gupta study, Manya breaks AIS Gur 46 the AIR 3, Class X stereotype. "I CBSE Board love reading **Score:** 498/500 and painting a lot, with which I have also learnt kathak. I am equally engaged in making craftworks of crochet and embroidery. Besides that, I have a junior diploma in Finance and German." All these activities, she says, help her unwind and even aid in studies. "Reading has helped me build a strong grasp over the language. Kathak and painting is very calming and helps me stay composed. Even embroidery helps me relax. It's so peaceful to watch how a simple yarn can turn into beautiful patterns. Staying calm,

composed and collected, in turn helps me to focus and study better." So, was being relaxed her go to mantra? "Having a clear goal in

mind, and not deviating from it is a vital step in this journey," she quickly responded. prepared a time

table, but was not able to follow through, so I decided to simply study instead and not focus on anything else."

Besides her simple success formula, she also has a strong support system to thank for her achievement. "I thank my parents, teachers and school. My teachers have helped me at every stage, and were always ready to clarify my doubts." We wish her all the best!



night," she responds.

## No success mantra

eing a sportsperson, win-Ining comes naturally to him. So, it was barely a surprise when he clinched AIR 3 in Class X CBSE Board Exams. "Well, others may have expected it from me, but I clearly was not expecting this. My first reaction

was that of surprise, followed by confusion and then immense joy. Having said that, it feels great to be a rank holder," shares Shlok. Attributing this feat to the Chairperson he says, "Had it not been for the inspiration I drew from Chairperson ma'am, I would not

feat. She has always motivated all of us to go the extra mile. I am also thankful to our school principal and teachers." Other than school, Shlok finds his biggest cheerleaders in his parents, who he says have been a "rock solid support throughout his journey." When asked about his success

have been able to manage this mantra, Shlok says, there is 'none'. The key according to him lies in consistency. Justifying which he says, "Set a goal and just study throughout the year, instead of studying a night before the exam day."

> With a black belt in karate, Shlok sure seems to be ready to belt out more such tunes of success.



