

# Saving Earth

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**AIS Noida:** Earth Day was celebrated by organizing slogan writing, face painting and a plantation drive on April 21, 2010. The festivities continued the next day when Dr BK Sinha was invited to deliver a lecture. He enlightened the students by saying that global warming was an issue that endangered national sovereignty, threatened lives of the future generations and strained international relations. He also said that most of the road accidents were a result of the increase in concentration of oxides of carbon, nitrogen, sulphur and other greenhouse gases. He added that these gases weakened reflexes. He concluded his lecture by saying that there were



Green crusaders: AIS Noida kids planting saplings

Save Earth, scream posters: AIS Gur 46

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three main reasons that governed environmental conservation -ethical & ecological reasons and our reliance on the environment for physical existence. The students were also shown the award winning documentary 'An Inconvenient Truth' made by Al Gore. The documentary talked about rising levels of carbon dioxide and temperature, retreating of

glaciers and occurrence of natural calamities as a result of global warming.

**Padmini Das, Teacher**

**AIS Gur 46:** Earth Day was celebrated in AIS Gur 46 with an assembly presented by students of X B, followed by the planting of saplings. These

saplings would be taken care of by the children.

**Assembly:** The year is 2080 and the scene is about 2 students of Amity, studying for the upcoming examinations. The lectures and notes are all on their I-pads. One of the lectures seems to have got erased and the children are making their way to the IT lab using a GPS system.

The erased lecture is of a school about 70 years ago where students used pen and paper system and scribbled for three hours to write an examination. There is another student who has a couple of robots roaming with her, helping her to find, edit and copy the notes that this 'intelligent' but lazy student does not have. In the examination, the student invigilator is called Mr Google who has a terrific capacity of doing research in nano-seconds. The system of examination works by voice/memory recognition mode, the students do not have to write, they simply think of the answer and it automatically gets ticked on the computer screen. All the while, the children are sitting in their 'thinking' chairs attached to the computers. In about half an hour, the exam is finished and then the reality strikes. It was all a dream! Two brothers had dreamt this after having fallen asleep while studying for their history exam. But the two are convinced that this was not merely a figment of their imagination and this may soon turn into reality. The assembly was short and crisp and the children enjoyed the imaginative presentation.●



## World Health Day

'Health is Wealth' goes the famous adage and today's modern lifestyle needs reiteration of importance of health and well-being with respect to our young generation. **AIS Mayur Vihar** celebrated 'World Health Day' on April 7, 2010 to create awareness about maintaining good health among students through a special assembly in which students presented a short skit depicting the need

for a healthy lifestyle and ways to achieve a healthy state of mind, body and soul. Chairperson Amity Schools, Dr. (Mrs.) Amita Chauhan, in her message conveyed the importance of healthy living and stressed on exercises for young students. Principal Mrs. Sarita Aggarwal emphasized on the need for yoga, meditation, nutrition and exercise to be implemented in the daily life of students.●

# Twin success

**Vasvi Yaksh, III A, AIS Saket** appeared for her 5th term exam and was ranked the First Runner - Up, in the 5th State Level UCMAS Abacus and Mental Arithmetic Competition which was held in Delhi on April 18, 2010. Her sister **Vidushi Yaksh, II B, AIS Saket** was ranked the Second Runner - Up in her 1st term exam. Vasvi began her journey with UCMAS in the year 2008. Her first exposure to the competitive exam was in the year 2009 when she appeared for her 2nd term exam and was ranked the Second Runner Up at the 4th State Level UCMAS Abacus and Mental Arithmetic Competition which was held in Delhi. Thereafter, she was selected to participate in the 9th All India UCMAS Abacus Mental Arithmetic Competition where she got a Consolation Prize. Vidushi soon followed her

sister's footsteps. This was her first exposure to this level of competitive exams and she passed it with flying colours. Vidushi was ranked 1st at the GTSE exams organised by Amity International School in 2009. Both Vasvi and Vidushi have achieved these laurels as they have strived very hard with rigorous practice of several sheets of sums everyday from 2-3 months before the exams as well as regular practice of Abacus on a daily basis. UCMAS has helped them not only to enhance their mathematics skills but has developed their overall personality as they were able to achieve their goals in their academic session too. Here's wishing them all the best for their future endeavours. (Shared by Vrinda Yaksh, mother of Vasvi and Vidushi)●



# Parent orientation



AISV-6

**AIS Vasundhara-6** organised two workshops for the parents of class IX students. The first workshop was aimed at acquainting the parents with the continuous and comprehensive evaluation pattern introduced by CBSE. Senior Coordinator Ms. Meenu Mathur Jha gave an overview of CCE, enlisting its components-Formative Assessment and Summative Assessment. Teachers helped parents to understand that CCE aims to provide a holistic profile of the learner through an assessment of scholastic and non-scholastic aspects

of education. Counselor Ms. Meenu Bhargava elaborated that CCE helps to identify positive attributes of the learner which are not usually assessed. The workshop on Parenting was conducted by Dr. Bhavna Barmi, a clinical Psychologist to help parents of adolescents gauge the psychology of their children. Parents were informed about 3 aspects of adolescent personality-Intelligence, Emotional and Social Quotient and the new mantra of parenting-effective communication. The programme culminated with a vote of thanks.●

### AIS Noida

**Usha Verma, Teacher AIS Noida**

**AIS Noida** organised Parent Orientation Programmes for class V and VI on April 13 & 17, respectively. Principal Ms Renu Singh in her welcome address reiterated, the need to instil correct morals and values in children. Guest Speaker Dr Kanika Khandelwal, Senior Lecturer, LSR, Delhi University gave interesting insights on parenting. School Counselor Ms Anjali Mehta, who was the guest speaker for class VI parents, threw light upon the inherent problems faced by adolescents and the approach that parents and teachers



should adopt to deal with them effectively. The Invocation Prayer, a dance recital— 'Ananda', presentation of Sports and Theatre, skit - 'The Charms, Challenges and Chaos of Adolescents' enthralled the parents. The programmes concluded with interactive Q&A sessions effectively addressed by the guest speakers.●

Every new session brings along both excitement and anxiety. With this thought in mind, Orientation Programmes were organized for the parents of classes I and V at the beginning of the session. The programmes commenced with the lighting of the lamp followed by chanting of 'shlokas' by the tiny tots and 'Ganesh Vandana' by the students. Principal Mrs

### AIS MV

Sarita Aggarwal, welcomed the parents. Vice-Principal Mrs Rashmi Sharma, made the parents conversant with the curriculum and the evaluation system. Thereafter, the parents had an interactive session with the school counselor wherein excellent strategies to deal with children's behaviour were explored to ensure the holistic development of the students. ●

## Guiding Guardians

**AIS Noida** invited parents of nursery students for a guided tour during the nursery orientation. Parents share...  
Rajat & Neha Mehra (Nur 5/W B): *We were enlightened about what our child is going to experience. The teachers were humble and polite.*  
Parents of Agneya Verma- Nur 6/WA: *I can see that the school has an excellent academic records which will provide ample opportunities for the holistic growth of my child.*  
Amit Gupta, f/o Parth (Nur 5/W B): *The tour was well conducted and very detailed.*  
Ankur & Vipra Jain, parents of Sanyam Jain: *The tour made us feel even more contented and proud to be Amity parents. We're sure our child will become a 'complete' person.*  
Shivani and Praveen, parents of Isha Chakravarthy: *The enthusiasm of teachers is encouraging especially for the parents.*  
Priyanka Singh, m/o Anvesha Singh: *I congratulate the school management for the unique tour.*  
Nupur Sethi & Varun Sethi: *The guided tour was overwhelming. The school is all set to churn out some busy bees.*