

Excellence is not an option but a way of life at Amity. Amitians take the legacy further with CBSE Results 2014-15. So PULL OUT your party hats, it's time to party.

Next: Amity Global School pulls its act together in the next pullout.

AMITEpoll

With instant noodles going off-shelf, what do you think will be the new midnight snack?

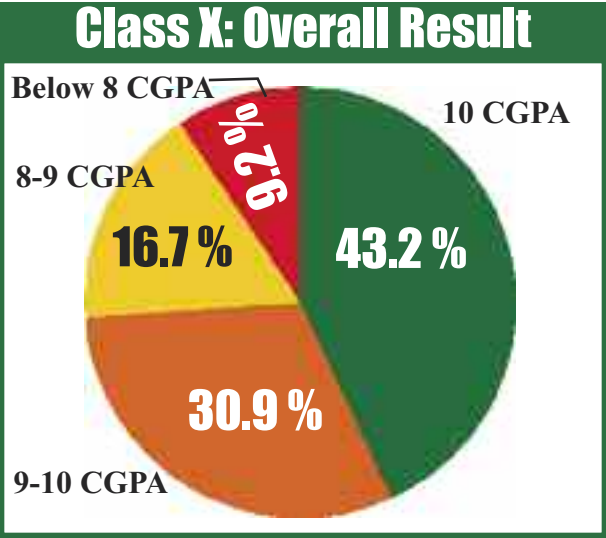
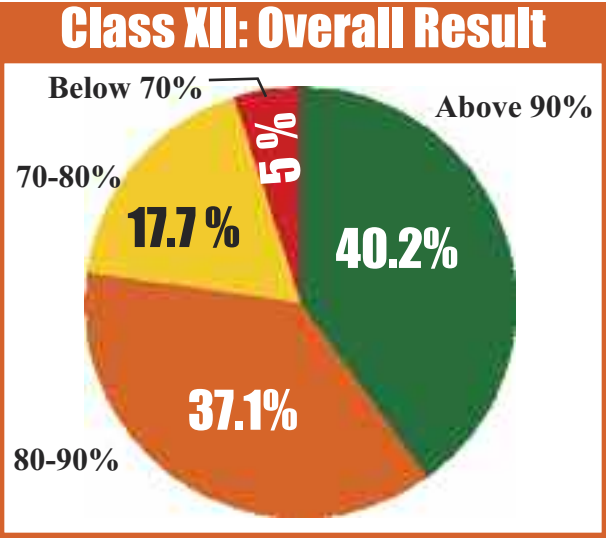
a) Instant *bhelpuri*
b) Popcorn
c) Sandwiches (Think chocolate, peanut butter...)

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Rising & Shining

Who says perfection can't be bettered? Amity's leap on the scorecard with the CBSE Results 2014-15 unfolds a different story



Chairperson's message

AMITY atop

"Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together with everyone is success." -Henry Ford

There aren't better words to describe the success story of the Amity family in the CBSE Board Exams 2014-15. Hard work and fidelity are qualities that everyone in Amity encompasses and it is these qualities that led to our splendid victory, with one of our students securing the prestigious second rank all over India. This year, Amity churned out numerous city toppers and 10 CGPA holders. Milestones like these cannot be achieved without embarking on the journey of diligence, compassion, sincerity and values. But it isn't just numbers that make me proud. I feel elated when I see that many of our top scorers are active on the extra-curricular front too. And with this, I see my dream of holistic education coming true. My heartiest congratulations to all my students. I thank all my principals and teachers, my lights on the coast, who left no stone unturned in providing the best to the students. Also, I would like to thank the parents for believing in the path that we chose for our students. Three cheers for my Amity family! Hip Hip Hurray!

Marks may fade, knowledge won't



Ace achiever: Mythili Mishra

believes Mythili Mishra, a student of AIS Noida, who ranked second in the country in CBSE Class XII exams with a whopping 99%!

Did you always know that you will be the CBSE topper?
Not even in my wildest dreams! On the day of the result, I was prepared for the worst and hoped for the best. Well, the best-est (excuse my limited vocabulary) happened!

What is the best thing about being a topper?
I was saved from the *pados-ki-aunties-ke-taane* syndrome! Jokes apart, friends and relatives telling you how proud they are of you is really all that matters.

You missed the number 1 spot by 1 mark, how does that feel?
I wasn't even expecting number 200, let alone number 2! The only time I think about the one mark is when I'm asked about it. So honestly speaking, it doesn't matter to me. I'm too happy with the 495 I got than to think about the one mark I didn't get.

Do you feel like a celebrity now, giving all those interviews?
It's certainly weird; getting all this attention. I'm not a celebrity, not a chance. But hey, this one reporter offered me Oreos, so I'm not complaining!

How did you celebrate?
When I first saw my result, I was jumping and shrieking around my house. Our house-help was horrified; she asked, "Beta, kuch ho gaya kya?" I spent most of the day giving interviews and thanking people who were call-

ing to congratulate me. Later, I went out for dinner with my family. When the hotel staff found out about my result, they gave us a complimentary cake. You know you have achieved something when you get free food! Excuse me while I drool.

Do people call you a nerd now?
People have always called me a nerd. I like to play the part by wearing oversized glasses and exclaiming, "Yaar mera half mark kaha reh gaya?" as often as I can.

Were there any funny memes on you?
Thankfully not! I was saved by the 0.2%. Although my friends left no stone unturned when it came to this. They're having the time of their lives thinking of 99-related jokes. My best friend's Facebook profile picture caption read "She's 99% better than all of you" to which I replied "M. Gayatri is 0.2% better though!". We're enjoying the abundance of joke opportunities.

Everyone wants to know, what did you do?
I drank some Polyjuice potion and transformed myself into Hermione Granger. Oh, I wish! I do not have a secret recipe or mantra to tell everyone. I would, however, strongly suggest choosing those subjects that you are passionate about, so that studying is not a chore but something you enjoy. Remember the double digit board result, will fade away soon, but the knowledge won't (if you opened your books, that is!)

What is the best/worst advice you received for your exams?
I'm the kind of person who tunes out advice like ads on the radio. The most absurd piece of advice I got was to sleep for two hours a day and study the rest. My naps last longer than that! The best advice was to make flow charts and diagrams for literally everything - yes, even History and Political Science!

Did you ever cry before an exam?
Never. I'm the kind of person who makes others cry! Wait, Class X Math exams are excluded, right? That's one throwback Thursday I'll always dread.

Your favourite Amity moments...
Do I really have to pick from 14 years of memories? They're certainly too mischievous to be printed here!

If you had to give your thank you speech now, who all would you thank?
Oh my God, I feel like I'm at the Oscars! I have so many people to thank. All my teachers, who cleared my doubts even at 12 a.m.; my parents, who didn't stop saying "Thoda kam padho" and "Movie dekhne chalte hain", my wonderful school Amity and Amita ma'am, for inspiration and motivation.

What are your future plans?
I plan to pursue Political Science honours at Delhi University. I can hopefully meet the cut-offs now! 🇮🇳

I am happiest when I am at home. Be it playing board games with my little sister, helping mum with household chores or just cuddling with my dad and reading a book.



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I.....student of Class....., AIS..... hereby
volunteer to lead my team in Youth Power 2015-16. My teammates are:

Team member 1

[illegible][illegible][illegible][illegible]

Team member 2

[illegible][illegible][illegible][illegible]

Team member 3

[illegible][illegible][illegible][illegible]

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Instructions

Who can apply?

All students of Amity International School from Class VIII-XI can apply.

What you need to do?

Form a group of four and fill up the form.

Once you have duly filled the form, tear the page and submit the same to the GT teacher coordinator in your school.

Keep in mind

- ✓ The applicants are requested to use only the space given for providing the relevant information.
- ✓ Do not attach any extra sheets.
- ✓ Keep the answers brief and to the point.
- ✓ Answer the questions in bullet points.

Last date of submission

July 31, 2015



I am happiest when I win a prize after hours of hard work. It may be big or small but it makes me very happy!
Vidushi Adhikari, AIS Saket, IV A

Straight from the horse's mouth

Citylights: Amitians shine at district level

Tulika Kirtiman, AIS Gur 46, Gurgaon topper, Humanities, 97%



The best part about being a topper is... You get a lot of appreciation and limelight. People start to recognise you and random people at the local market come and congratulate you. But more than anything else, it's seeing your hard work paying off and that feeling is unmatched.
My strategy for the exams was... My preparations began from Class XI itself. I believe in consistency and so I took each and every test seriously and gave my 100 percent to all of them. I had planted my seed of success in time, so I just had to keep up with the hard work, which wasn't difficult as I had got used to it.
My advice to the upcoming examinees is... Work hard and push yourself to do better everyday. There is no alternative for hard work. Also, your work should be consistent. If you slowly and steadily work towards your goal, success is guaranteed. It is also very important to trust your teachers for they know what's best for you.

Sukant Koul, AIS Vas 6, Ghaziabad topper, Science, 98.6%



The best part about being a topper is... Of course, the limelight! Although this result was a big surprise for me as I did not expect such high scores, I still loved and enjoyed all the attention. Giving those interviews was so much fun! Also, when you see your parents so proud of you, there's nothing like it.
My strategy for the exams was... I allotted maximum time to the subject that I was not so good at, physics. Math was always my forte and I kept practicing it regularly. This strategy helped me score a perfect 100 in both the subjects.
My advice to the future examinees is... Have confidence in yourself and your abilities. The reading time that you get during the exam can impact your marks in a big way. It is during these 15 minutes that you can strategise your paper so ensure maximum utilisation of this time. Smart and consistent work is the key.

Amitasha ki asha

Preeti Sharma, a student of Amitasha Noida, has made everyone at Amity proud by scoring a whopping 90.3% in CBSE Class XII exams. She has proved that a strong will never goes unpaid...



How has Amitasha made a difference in your life?

Amitasha is a great platform for less privileged children like me. It equips you with all the qualities required to face challenges and succeed.

Had Amitasha not been there in my life, the potential in me would have gone unrealised and unused.

What are your future plans?

I want to pursue Political Science (Hons) from a renowned institution. Amitasha has taught me to dream big and in the long run, I wish to become an IPS officer.

Who do you want to thank for your success?

I wouldn't have achieved what I have had if it not been for my teachers at Amitasha and Chairperson ma'am, who have put so much thought and efforts into us. My parents too supported me throughout the journey. I can never thank them enough for their love and support.

What is your message for other Amitasha students?

Hard work and perseverance are your keys to success. Make the best use of the opportunity that has been given to you in the form of Amitasha. Only you are responsible for your progress. Let difficulties not bring you down, turn them into opportunities to achieve success.

Warriors: Embracing all odds

Priyam Jain of AIS Gur 46, XII, Humanities, has proved that nothing is impossible if you have the will to achieve it. Having scored an excellent 92%, he has redefined success. Here's what he has to say.



My struggle: My vision had started diminishing when I was in fourth grade. The blackboard would seem hazy and I would hardly understand what was written on it. I remember how I had to depend on my bench partner for noting down every single word. Sometimes, I even felt like giving up.

My strengths: My teachers, friends and parents never let me lose hope, let alone giving up. Their enormous love and unconditional support always kept me going. My economics teacher would take the extra effort of explaining me graphs with the help of fingers although she knew that I wouldn't have a graph question in the exam. My parents would ensure that I slept and ate well. Together, they all formed my pillar of strength.

My inspiration: When I see people with visual disabilities competing in top notch exams such as the civil services, I am inspired to push myself and achieve the best.

Deepti Kansal of AIS Noida, Class X, a physically challenged student, has surpassed her own potential and carved a niche for herself by scoring a perfect 10 CGPA. Here's her story.



My struggle: Studying from home was a challenge. Sometimes, it became difficult for me to keep up with the pace at which the classes were being conducted at school. Also, not getting to attend classes was a hurdle as attending a lecture always provides a better understanding of concepts and problems.

My strengths: My parents, my family, my teachers and everyone at Amity never let me lose hope. I was always treated like a normal girl by everyone and never felt inferior. I kept working hard and tried to keep myself as busy as I could. I did face hurdles but I never gave up.

My inspiration: There are so many people struggling to live a few more years to accomplish their dreams. When I see such people, refusing to give up, I am inspired by their strong will and their mental strength to battle my way through every difficulty, make the best of the opportunities that lie ahead of me and fulfill all my dreams.

Competitive Excellence

AICE



The opening ceremony

Olympiad ahoy

Amity Institute for Competitive Examinations played a warm host to international students and dignitaries who came to AUUP for the science and math Olympiad



Dignitaries present awards

AICE

Namrata Gulati, GT Network

Amity International Olympiad for physics, chemistry, mathematics and biology and National Mathematics Olympiad Workshop was held at AUUP from May 23 - 30, 2015. The Olympiad that aims to nurture the scientific skills of students from India and the world is a visionary initiative of Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools and RBEF. The Olympiad witnessed a participation of over 350 students pan India and across the world including Kazakhstan, Afghanistan, Nepal, Pakistan, Dubai and Turkey. The only residential International Olympiad conducted by an educational institution in India, was organised by Amity Centre for Science Olympiad under the aegis of Amity Institute for Competitive Examinations (AICE).

Inauguration ceremony

The Olympiad commenced with a grand inauguration ceremony amidst a gathering of erudite leaders in the world of science and mathematics. Meenakshi Rawal, director, AICE, welcomed the august gathering. She informed the gathering, "The Olympiad aspires to include



Chairperson Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan along with participants and dignitaries who graced the occasion

more countries in its ambit so as to bring students from different countries under one roof. This year, the new entrants include Dubai and Pakistan, accompanied by their team leaders." The ceremony invited the participating teams to the stage, with the flags of their country. As they walked to the stage in their national costumes, the teams looked enthusiastic and motivated. This was followed by high tea, which served as a supreme forum of exchange between accomplished leaders.

Olympiad buzz

During the seven-day workshop, students were trained to develop skills to solve problems in mathematics in order to groom them well for national and international Olympiads. The days were effectively planned and strategically designed to cater to the holistic development of students. The mornings commenced with yoga, which helped them stay focused and energetic to face the challenging problems and techniques during the classroom sessions. The various

sessions conducted by experts from renowned universities, guided the participants with useful tips to give them an edge over others in competitive exams. The recreation session consisted of games, movies etc. Post dinner, personalised doubt clearing classes were held with subject experts. To develop their interest in research, students were also exposed to various hi-tech labs of AUUP, where they interacted with scientists to understand the technical aspects of scientific instruments.

Valedictory ceremony

The valedictory ceremony of the Olympiad was graced by the presence of Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Ms Pooja Chauhan, Vice Chairperson, Amity Humanity Foundation; Ms Divya Chauhan, Chairperson, ASFT and ASFA; Ms Jaishree Chauhan and Mr Anand Chauhan. The session was also graced by the presence of the ambassadors of Afghanistan; Nepal and Kazakhstan. Among other guests were Dr P K Singh, director general, Doordarshan; Prof M Aslam, vice chancellor, IGNOU; Dr Dinakar Kanjilal, director, IUAC; Dr A Mukhopadhyay, head, INSPIRE, DST; Dr D Rama Sarma, director, National Science Centre; Amity HoIs and principals. Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, in her address, congratulated the participants for having utilised their time so constructively with a special mention of the Nepalese students who participated in the Olympiad. She also emphasised incorporating human values in education. The ceremony concluded with prize distribution. About 250 medals (gold, silver and bronze) were given out in the ceremony for outstanding performance in the Olympiad and Global Talent Search Examination. E-certificates were awarded to 180 students who participated in the online Olympiad. 🇮🇳



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- 125,000 Students in the Group
- 601 Patents filed by Faculty in the last years
- 1,000 Case studies developed by faculty, bought across 62 countries
- 80 Global Universities as Research Partners
- 300 Govt. funded research projects conducted by faculty
- 27,000 Campus placements in the last years
- 25,000 Scholarships awarded
- Nobel Laureate as Hony. Professor
- 6,000 Papers written by faculty
- 1,500 CEOs & top professionals have interacted with Amity students till now
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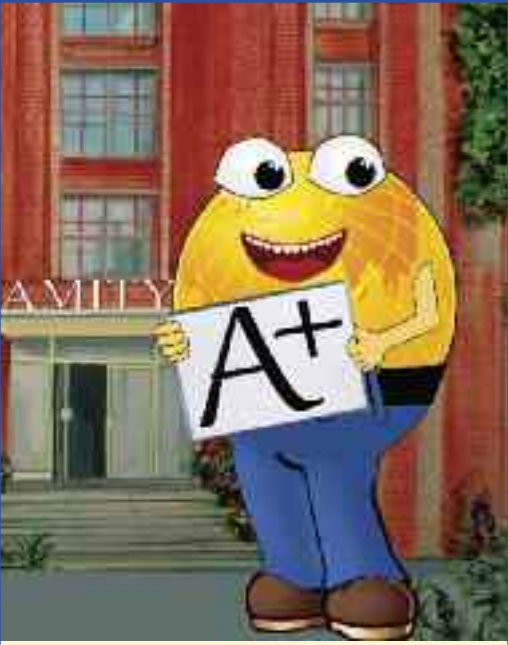


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GT pull Out Result Special

Pulling out Academic Accolades

July 6, 2015



It's an A+ for Amity again as Amitians outshine everyone in CBSE 2014-15 results for Classes X and XII. This special pullout sends out a big high five to Amity's ace achievers.

Class XII Toppers

Mythili Mishra
All India 2nd Ranker
Humanities Topper 99%

Raina Banerjee
Science 98.4%

Shikha Bhaskar
Commerce 97.2%

From All India toppers to city toppers, Amitians excelled on all fronts.

Tulika Kirtiman
Gurgaon Topper
Humanities 97%

Nitish Kansara
Commerce 97%

Anup Agarwal
Science 96.6%

Sheryl Sarna
Science 96.6%

Sukant Koul
Ghaziabad Topper
Science 98.6%

Bhavya Mehta
Commerce 96%

Saundarya Mishra
Commerce 95.2%

Akhil Kumar
Science 95%

Akshat Jindal
Science 98.2%

Vidur Narang
Commerce 97.2%

Devyani Chugh
Humanities 95.2%

Twishaa Gupta
Commerce 96.8%

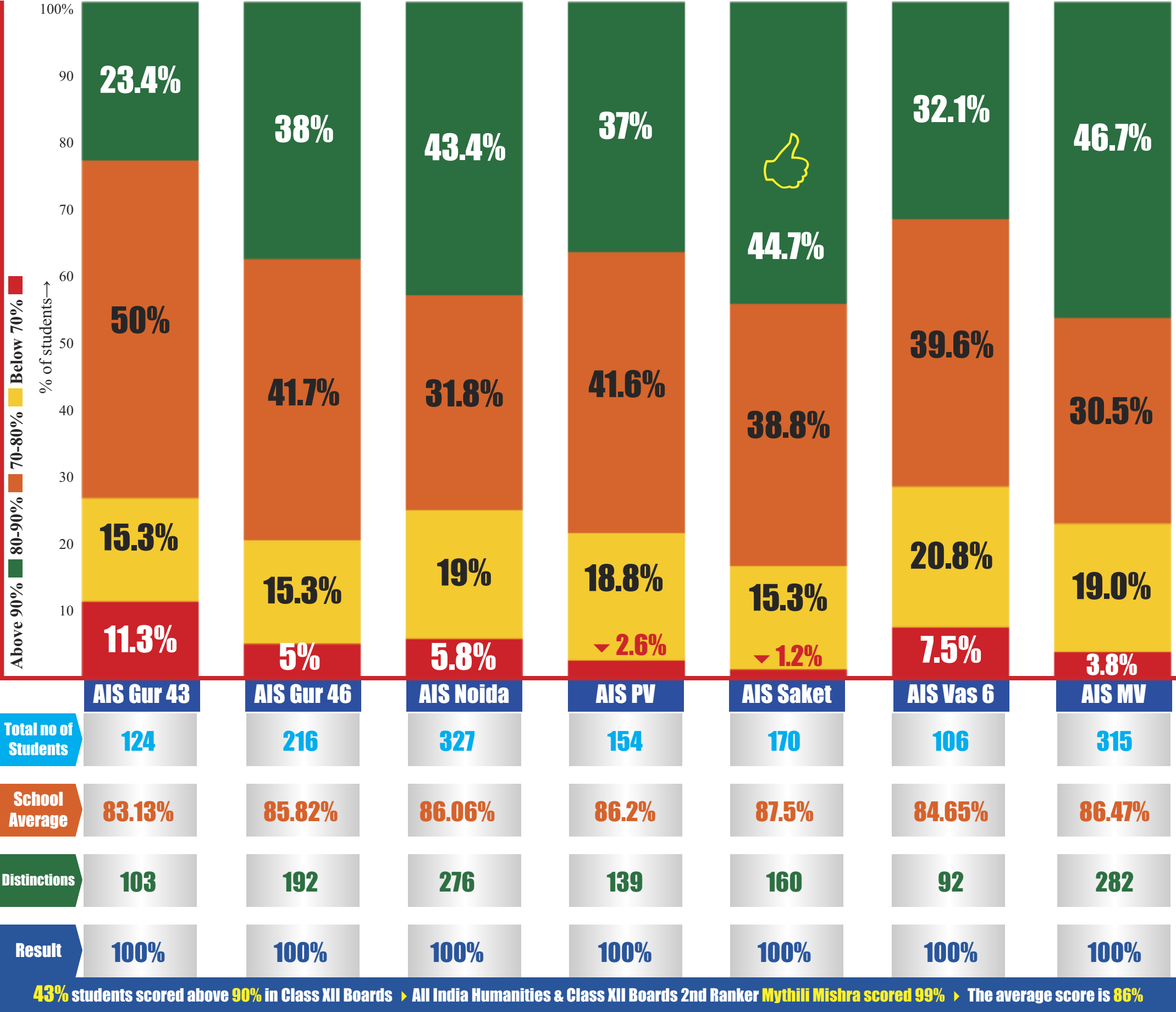
Hricha Shandilya
Commerce 96.8%

Shraddha Agrawal
Science 96%

Shelly Mittal
Science 97.4%

Ridhi Sharma
Commerce 97%

CBSE Board 2015 Class XII Results



594 Star Achievers 10 Tana T

AIS Gurgaon 46



AIS Pushp Vihar

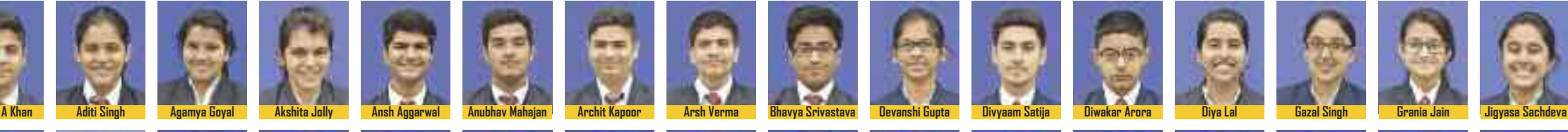
AIS Saket

AIS Vasundhara

AIS Noida

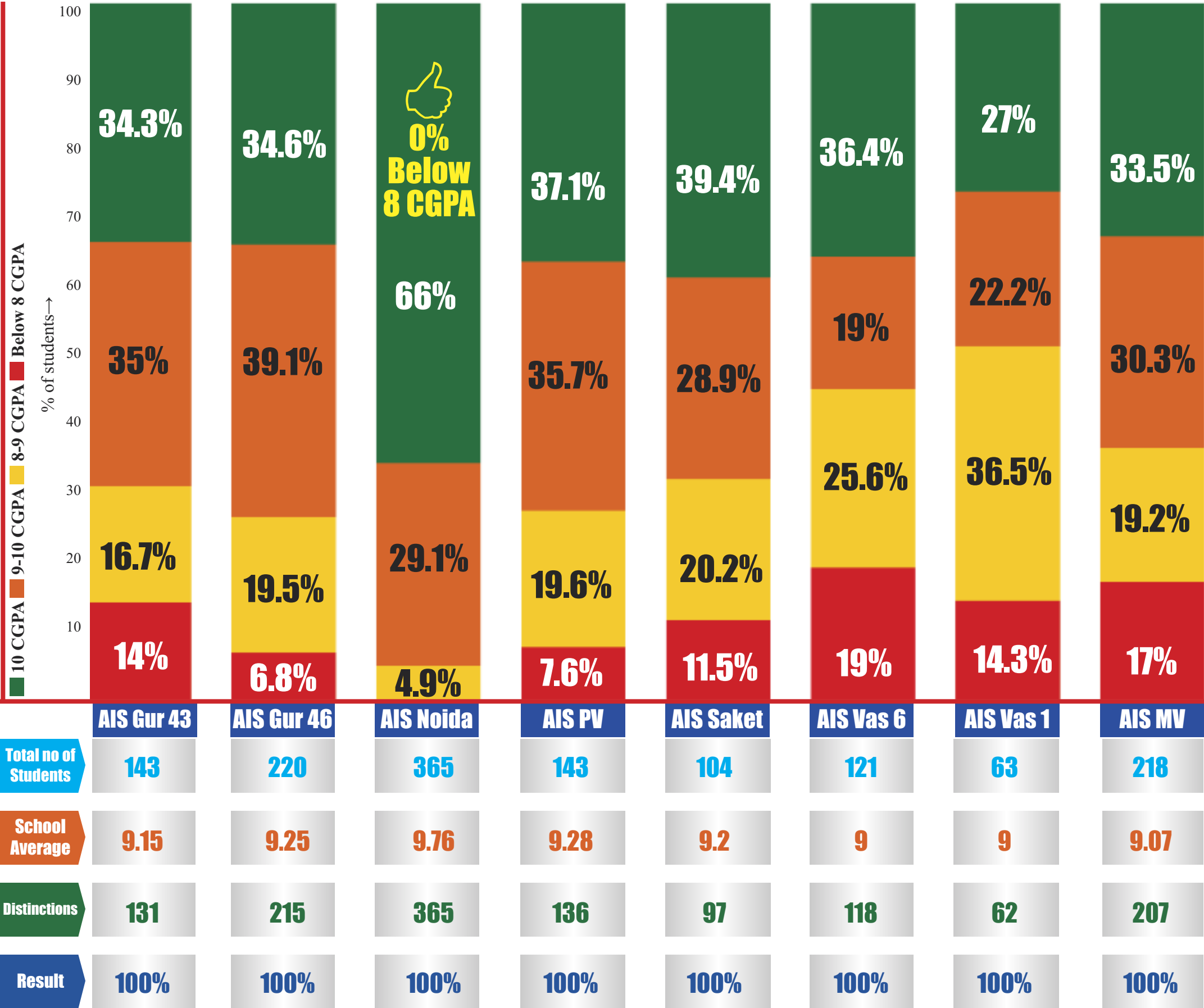


Tan 10 Meet the Amitians who touched the 10 CGPA notch



AIS Noida														
Paru Katyal	Piyush Goel	Prabudh Taneja	Pradhuman Gupta	Prakhar Nagpal	Prakhar Puri	Prakriti Dutta	Pranjal Agarwal	Prateek Kumar	Pratham Bhati	Pratyush Srivastava	Pritish Agarwal	Priyanka Madan	Priyanshi Gupta	Pulkit Jain
Radhika Tomar	Raghav Goel	Rajdeep Sen Gupta	Raksha Gopal	Ramshika Ranjan	Rhea Aswal	Rhea Varma	Ridhima Shaw	Ridhima Tyagi	Rohit Kenue	Roli Naresh	Roop Sawhney	Roshan Reddivari	Ruchika Singh	Rudraksh Kaul
Sai Tiger Raina	Saksham Bhatnagar	Samarth Boyal	Samarth Singhal	Samarth Sukhija	Sambhavi Bhayana	Samridhi Sandhi	Sanaa Sachdev	Sanchit Sehdev	Sanidhya Chauhan	Sanya Sud	Sara Baijnath	Saransh Sangal	Sarthak Nandecha	Saunhya Verma
Sejal Saxena	Shantam Maheshwari	Shashwat Bhowmick	Shaunit Grover	Shaurya Manohar	Shaurya Saxena	Shaurya Srivastava	Sheel Chandra	Shidhit Jaiswal	Shinjini Biswas	Shivam Chauhan	Shorya Gupta	Shourya Kapoor	Shreishth Pandith S.	Shramik Rawal
Shreya Das	Shreya Tiwari	Shreya Verma	Shubhangi Pandey	Siddhant Gupta	Siddhant Sharda	Simran Nagpal	Soham Antrolkar	Sonakshi Sinha	Sparsh Kataria	Srijan Mukherjee	Srishti Agarwal	Sunanda Kaul	Sunidhi Mittal	Suryansh Chauhan
Sushant Lenkha	Svasti Malik	Swapnil Mittal	Tanay Verma	Tanima Gupta	Tanish Grover	Tanisha Agarwal	Tanishka Verma	Tanya Agarwal	Tanya Rastogi	Tarasha Chauhan	Terumi Pla Fujisawa	Tulika Sharma	Tushaar Singh	Tushar Dixit
Umang Sinha	Utkarsh Dayal	Utkarsh Saxena	Uttam Singh	Vanshika Agarwal	Vasu Jagga	Vasundhara Saxena	Vatsala Agarwal	Vatsala Khanna	Vidur Aurora	Vinamra Goel	Yash Sinha	Yukti Khruna	Raghav Jain	Soham Antrolkar

Class X Result



594 students scored perfect 10 CGPA in Class X Boards ▶ Overall pass percentage: 100% ▶ Average CGPA: 9.2



I am happiest when my mom appreciates my work.
Aananya Thareja, AIS Saket, II C

Let not the brilliance of life fade away

Illustration: S Santosh Krishnan, AIS Gurgaon 46, XI G

Storywala



Aakriti Gupta, AIS Gur 46, XII

She woke up in the morning. It was raining. Another day in her life - a day same as yesterday, full of hopes, yet a fear of being isolated from the world lingered on a desperation to get back to the past where she came from. Sneha walked up to the window and looked through it. It was all hazy. The darkness of the clouds had overpowered the soft shimmer of the morning sun. Strangely, the view seemed to perfectly describe her life - dark and hopeless. She was looking for the clouds to give way to the sun. She wished for the same respect and love that she once enjoyed. But in her heart, she knew there was little hope for a new life. Was she to be blamed for the crime that was committed upon her? That day was unforgettable. She was manhandled. It was three against one. Since then, her life had never been the same again. First, she was tormented at the hands of those men and then, she had to face a world where the blame is pinned upon the victim and not the per-

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petrator of the crime. A world where a woman is considered impure. Sneha could not bear it anymore. She was nauseatic at being judged all the time. Her friends had abandoned her for their parents dubbed Sneha's character as dubious. She was the talk of the town. Her clothes, her character were always under scrutiny. Her near and dear ones considered her a pest, who was meant to be ignored. There was no way out. All Sneha could do was accept this dark truth of life. She stayed up at night wondering if she was at fault on that fateful night when her world turned around in less than five minutes. With each passing day, more isolation stared her in the face. She was miserable. She felt caged and vulnerable, as if someone had clipped her wings. She felt

suffocated. But Sneha was not the one to give up. She was strong willed. She shook herself out of her reverie and stared out of the window, at the haziness outside. She wanted the haze to disappear. She knew, for the clouds to part from her life, the sun had to make its way through. Sneha resolved to stand on her feet once again. No, she wasn't going to give up on her dreams. She would complete her education by enrolling back into college. She was going to start afresh. Even if no one cared about her; she did. Her passion was going to give her company. She would start her own designing studio, her long cherished dream. She wouldn't care about the past anymore. Sneha got up, dusted her pants as if dusting away her inhibitions to make her dreams shine once again. No, no one could bog her down. She was the creator of her own fate and happiness. She would decide how she wanted to lead the rest of her life. She would win back her dignity. Suddenly, the clouds disappeared and the sun showed up, bright and shining. Sneha smiled at it. 🇧🇩



Cheesy hot dog

Kirti Garg, AIS MV, IX

Preparation time: 25 minutes
Servings: 4-5 people

Ingredients

Hot dog rolls4
Mayonnaise4 tbsp
Capsicum (chopped)2
Onion (chopped)2
Cheese (grated)1cup

Black pepper powder1 tbsp
Saltto taste

Method

- Cut the hot dogs into half, along the length.
- Mix all the ingredients in a bowl.
- Place the ingredients evenly on the surface of the hot dog.
- Heat the rolls in the microwave for about 2 minutes.

It's Me



My name: Sanvi Thakur
My school: AIS Gurgaon 43
My class: I
My birthday: November 27
I like: To play with Barbie dolls
I dislike: Eating broccoli
My hobbies: Painting and dancing
My role model: My father
My best friend: Samaira
My favourite book: Cinderella
My favourite game: Carrom
My favourite mall: Ambience Mall
My favourite food: Rajma rice
My favourite teacher: Shveta Ma'am
My favourite poem: Twinkle Twinkle Little Star!
My favourite subject: English
I want to become: A nurse
I want to feature in GT because: I want my school to know me better through GT.

Riddle Fiddle

Sharanya Tandon
AIS Gurgaon 46, II

1. What has teeth but cannot eat?
2. What has hands but cannot clap?
3. What has eyes but cannot see?
4. What demands an answer without asking a question?
5. What are the two things we cannot have for dinner?
6. What is at the end of a rainbow?
7. How many months have 28 days?
8. What goes around the wood but never goes into the wood?
9. What can run but can't walk?
10. What is full of holes but still holds water?



Answers 1. Comb 2. Clock 3. Potato 4. Telephone 5. Breakfast & lunch 6. W 7. All the months 8. The bark of a tree. 9. A drop of water 10. A sponge

POEMS



arising as a cosmic blue pearl.
Like the mortal instruments, Gaia is living too,
each blade of grass, each honey dew.
Each stick and stone are muscle, skin and bone,
just like I require every part of me
to remain happy, healthy and free,
the Earth needs mud and trees,
vital for her existence and ease.
She herself is a celebration
of the people and its nations.
She is unique, she is free,
I am the Earth, the Earth is me! 🇧🇩

Change

Parul Munjal, AIS Gurgaon 46, VIII A

A change could be big, a change could be small,
it does not only happen with you, but with one and all.
A change can make you happy,
a change can even make you sad
as either it is good, or it is bad.
A change can pick you up, a change can put you down,
it can give a sweet smile, or a big frown.
A change could be dark, a change could be bright,
a change could be wrong or it could be right.
A change can lead to fights, a change can lead to unity,



it can either give you dullness, or prosperity.
A change could be difficult, a change could be easy,
it might let you breathe or might make you wheezy.
A change would give you hatred,
or it would give you just love,
it could lead to fights, or can get peace like a dove.
A change may last forever, or it may end,
on the condition of your life, it would depend.
So forget all the fears and don't shed any tear,
accept a change as a challenge,
which you can confidently bear. 🇧🇩

Summery shimmerery fun!

Summer vacations meant three weeks of excitement and learning for the little ones at the Amiown summer club

Amiown Pushp Vihar

Sonali Jain & Anupreet Kaur

Amiown PV, Teachers

What’s summer vacation without some fun and frolic packed with creative excitement? At Amiown, we believe that nurturing creativity helps children develop mentally, socially and emotionally. Keeping this in perspective, Amiown Pushp Vihar organised a three-week summer club in the school premises. The summer programme encompassed a bit of everything including music, dance, art and craft, games, flameless cooking, science experiments, story time, etc, catering to the various needs of children. As the children walked in happily to join the club, they were greeted with warm smiles. Every day, the club’s activities began with a morning prayer, rhymes and warm-up exercises. The excited countenance of the little ones and the lilt in their steps was proof enough of the the fun filled experience they had at the summer club.

Step up the music: Music ignites all areas of child development: intellectual, social and emotional, motor, language and overall literacy. It helps the body and mind to work together. Singing and dancing to music helps children build motor skills while allowing them to practice self-expression. During the summer camp, children learnt to sing some peppy songs like ‘If all the rain-



Ribbon hopping Toddlers try to make their way through the hurdles

drops were lemon drops and gum drops’, ‘Over in the meadow, in the sand, in the sun’, etc. The little ones also enjoyed tapping their feet on the joyous song ‘Shimmy shake’.

Cool pool party: Excitement was writ large on the face of the young campers as they got into the pool. As they splashed around happily in the water, their squeals of delight spread infectious mirth all around. Splashing water on each other, the little ones were thrilled to play with balloons and balls.

Messy artists: There’s nothing more exciting for youngsters than playing with shaving foam, paint, mud, jelly and textures. The little ones squealed with glee on the messy day when they got an opportunity to play and mess around. This exercise was very stimulating for the children.

Tell me a story: Every week, the children enjoyed story telling sessions, wherein child friendly stories were narrated by different authors. The little ones were mesmerised and spell bound during the interactive narrations of stories by authors like Oliver Jeffer, Karma Wilson and Eric Carl.

Flameless cooking: As part of the camp, children were involved in making different snacks and drinks like fruit caterpillar, happy face sandwich, lemonade, etc which were both delicious and easy to make.

Getting crafty: Art helps children to think, imagine and create crafts using their creativity and imagination. Each day, children happily carried back home a cute masterpiece created by them like cutlery wind chimes, jelly candles, teddy pencil holders, stick puppets, etc.



Story time The little ones enact their favourite stories



Little Einsteins Experiment time



Budding artist Drawing ideas

Get moving: A lot of special games were organised throughout the camp, including aim at the shape, shape maze, football, tunnel drop, toss the balloon, balloon hockey, weaving through rainbow of ribbons, etc. The games helped to create a bond between the children and instilled in them a sense of team work, besides keeping them active.

Tell me why: To help the children know the how and why of things happening around them, science experiments were carried out which not only answered their queries but also satisfied their curiosity about things like volcano eruption, sink and float, oil is lighter than water, etc. The little ones had a whale of a time learning with fun.

Theme is king!

New themes with unique activities for every week of the summer camp, upped the excitement level of the participants, besides catering to their all round development

Amiown Gurgaon

Vandana Mathur

Amiown Gurgaon, Teacher

At Amiown Gurgaon, children enjoyed three weeks of fun-n-learn summer camp during the vacations. Amiown always looks for new ways to incorporate learning with enjoyment, as Amiown philosophy believes that happy children learn better. Three vastly different themes in each of the weeks and the specially devised activities therein made for an exciting time for the little participants, thus catering to their all round development. The exciting activities revolved around dramatisation of the theme, rhymes with music

and movement, kiddies kitchenette and splash pool.

Around the World

This exciting theme collated a gamut of new terminologies and interesting activities like passport making, visa stamping of different countries, flag making, etc. Besides, children learnt greeting words in foreign languages like bonjour, ciao, shalom, etc. They enjoyed making structures of the wonders of world including Taj Mahal, the Great wall of China, the Colosseum, etc. Pre-Nursery children demonstrated their creativity in the hat making activity, while the youngsters of Nursery and KG enjoyed doll making. The dolls initiated the celebration of Japan’s Hinamatsuri Day. A mouth wa-

tering treat of Italian pasta and tomato bruschetta left them asking for more. The happening Hawaiian theme party with colourful dresses, floral accessories and cool drinks, was enjoyed by all.

Space is the Place

The challenging theme was customised to suit the understanding level of the little ones. It was just a matter of time when they began to understand and identify the concepts of space, plants, sun, moon, stars, astronauts, spaceship and mother earth. A collaborative model of the solar system and creating their own desired planet, gave them thorough knowledge of space. The activity ‘Oreo moons moves’ made learning quite delicious for the little space travellers.

Explorers and Investigators

The summer campers turned into investigators and explorers during the third week as specially designed activities gave them an exciting experience away from the routine. Donning their creatively made explorer bands, Pre Nursery and Nursery children exhibited their intelligence as they found out a secret creature with the help of the puzzle songs ‘Eltigimoncroile’ and ‘Elze-crodile’. Searching for ingredients of the delicious *bhelpuri* and various animals in the pool, were exciting tasks for the bright children. The camp culminated with the Zumba dance, which made the summer journey even more refreshing and stimulating.



Summer fun!

Each day of the Summer Camp we have thoroughly enjoyed, learnt with ease and shared our joys. Searched for things as investigators and explorers with valuable experiences of the world and space. In this Summer Camp, we have accomplished the ‘Hundred Languages’ with a solid base!





Hawaiian swing The little ones soak in the party fervour



Little astronauts Sunita Williams in the making



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I am happiest when I am surrounded by the people I love.
Manvendra Singh Panwar, AIS Saket, V C



The mood is no different than the heated prime time news show with the words “the nation wants to know” constantly echoing in your ears...and your result becomes a matter of national concern.

Aastha Singh, AIS Noida, Alumnus describes the dreading one hour before the CBSE results are declared.



Illustration: Ravinder Gusain
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Gone in sixty minutes

- Block Mrs Chaddha and her husband. Done.
- Discreetly disconnect landline. Done.
- Wear salwar kameez to look *susheel*. Done.
- Disintegrate self into vapour. Error.

11:15 am

She sat down, folded her hands and in an attempt to recall every God she has ever known of, she closed her eyes. Somewhere in the room, a cell phone buzzed. The WhatsApp group of Class XII was flooded. Reluctantly, she turned off the notifications and directed her attention to a specific God or rather pretended to do so. Her mind was overburdened.

11:25 am

The one million 12th board related statements of the year were replaying in her mind in the order of brilliance. The award for best statement was reserved for the aunty who promised to go to Vaishnodevi only after the board result was out. Sigh! If only that could change things.

11:35 am

The young adolescent directed her energies to her prayers again. A little longer and her heart would start beating right out of her chest. At the instance when she finally seemed to concentrate, her father decided to dial her number. For a second, she believed she could slam her phone into the wall, but sense took over her and she refrained from wrecking the only solace she had.

11:50 am

It has been 15 minutes since she received her father's call. Miraculously, it doesn't end. She thought of Draupadi's saree and managed to laugh. Her father was in the process of giving a life lesson about how marks hardly ever defined anyone. With a sigh of relief and a chocolate in her hand, she switched on her laptop.

11:55 am

The CBSE website began its yearly ritual of slowing down to a standstill. Along with the website, her class WhatsApp group walked the path of insanity. The exact point of repeating the website's failure over and over on the group was beyond her understanding.

10:45 am

An alarm clock buzzed somewhere. A hand slammed down and the irritant found itself snoozed. Ten minutes later the device reattempted its task. As sunlight crept in and dreams were replaced with reality, a certain someone emerged from the blanket, looking like a haystack hurriedly perched upon a human face.

10:55 am

The 18 year old quickly whipped up a cup of coffee and adjusted herself in front of the laptop. Today, instead of her routine Facebook pilgrimage, she contemplated the options that lay ahead. A plan of action must be devised. The hour was approaching. The landline's silence was the same as the one before a storm. *Taiji, tauji, mama, chacha* and some faraway uncleji would be making their customary 'kitne marks aaye wali' phone calls (read: the simultaneous act of prying and comparing)

11 am

She sauntered into the kitchen to calm her nerves and scribbled a check list:

- Change WhatsApp display picture to 'Bhai dekh result pucha to rishta khatam'. Done.
- Isolate self from humanity. Done.

12:00 noon

The wait began. The CBSE website refused to release the result just yet. Across the nation, the picture of every household was almost the same. While students sat before their laptops and awaited their future, parents sat in their rooms pretending this was no big a deal. Relatives, cousins and any other individual even distantly acquainted with a child were desperately waiting to dial a number and gossip about marks.

12:30 pm

The news application on every phone buzzed “CBSE declares Class 12th result”. Father's sitting in important meetings excused themselves. Grandparents across the country tried to make independent phone calls. At sloth speed, the class WhatsApp group started receiving messages displaying marks. Phone lines were jammed and the nation witnessed, yet again, the only event of the year which sees smiles and tears in equal proportion. As Facebook timelines were in the process of updating, a certain adolescent girl sat and wondered, what if the board result declaration was deemed an actual national festival? 🇮🇳



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...A flight

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Every Independence Day, the kites **flying** in the sky reminisce the soaring aspirations of the billion people living in this country. When the Delhi metro took off; the nation **flew** on the plane of technology. The boy who dreams big, aspires to **fly** high. The girl who was mistreated for dowry, broke the shackles, stepped out of her house to take a free **flight**. FLIGHT – one word, many connotations – flight of progress, flight of dreams, flight of freedom, flight of the nation... the only thing that remains constant is the spirit to soar. So, this Independence Day, capture this spirit in the lens.

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