

# Amity Shining

Cent percent result fetched by nearly 2500 students; aggregates that go as high as 97.8%; countless who fetch the coveted 100 marks in numerous subjects; 435 students who touched the 10 CGPA notch... could it get any better? Given that this is Amity we are talking of, it might get bigger and better next year. But as of 2013, Amity has every reason to be proud as it shines, rather outshines the rest in the CBSE results 2012-13. Join in **Bhawna Tuteja**, GT Network on the euphoric tour



Pic: Deepak Sharma, Models: Students of AIS PV

## Proud moments

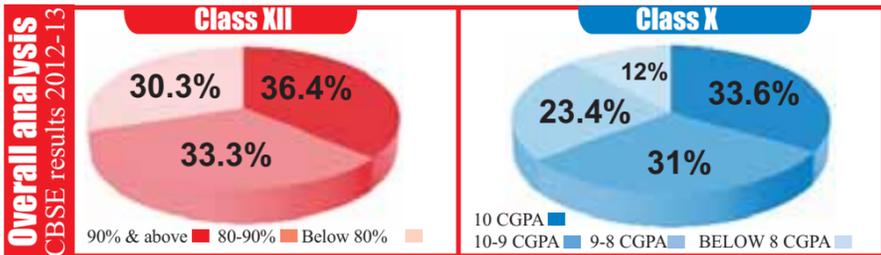


Dr. Amita Chauhan  
Chairperson

I cherish emotional jubilation as a mother to my Amityans and at the same time feel proud and elated as the Chairperson of Amity Group of Schools as I look upon the CBSE results 2012-13. Amityans have yet again set another benchmark by bringing in a fabulous result. They have excelled yet again, bringing laurels to the school. Securing a cent percent result is no easy feat but when you are

### Chairperson's message

at Amity a 100% success score is only inevitable. I am extremely proud of not just the students, but also the principals and teachers who have worked hard round the clock with the students to ensure this success. I would also like to thank the parents who have supported us at every step and showed immense belief and faith in the school. At Amity, it is time again to celebrate and rejoice and as we revel in the celebrations, the journey to set new benchmarks has already begun.



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Twosome Vanshika & Anushka Baoni

## Twin win

What do you expect from identical twins? Identical features? Identical habits? The Baoni sisters from AIS Noida take the similarity scale a notch further as they fetch identical marks. **Vanshika Baoni**, who topped her school with an aggregate of 97.8% had twin sister **Anushka Baoni** trailing behind by a mark at 96.4%.

**Surprise surprise** While the twins feel "on top of the world having upheld the expectations of their parents", the scorecard they say was unexpected. Anju Baoni, mother of the twins shares similar unexpectations, "I was nervous before the results because both the girls were busy preparing for entrances and had little time to prepare for boards."

**One for one** The twins glorify the concept of 'standing by'. "The best thing about studying together was that we were always there for each other," quips Anushka. Vanshika adds, "Both of us helped each other overcome each other's weaknesses."

**Do your best** "I just did the best I could," essays Vanshika. And the *karma-kar-fal-ki-chinta-matkar* philosophy seems to flow from the parents. "We never told them to top, we just asked them to study well and leave the rest," says Anju.

**Thank you teachers** The twins are extremely thankful to their school and teachers.



Toorjo with his mom

Meet **Toorjo Dey**, a student of AIS Noida who fetched a CGPA of 8.8. He is dyslexic and has also been diagnosed with *dyscalculia*. A talented musician and a member of the school student council, **Toorjo** has managed a good score despite all odds. Read on for some inspiration...

### MOMMY SPEAKS

"I want to thank Toorjo's teachers who understood his problem. Instead of telling him what he could not do, they kept telling him about all that he could do. The teachers made extra efforts to reach out to him. They changed the way of teaching for him."

Tanushree Dey, M/o Toorjo Dey

"Schooling was a challenge for Prashant since traveling to and fro school was a task. It was a challenge for me as well as I had to manage my home as well as take him to school. But, I am glad he has done so well. The school has been extremely supportive and encouraging."

Vaishali Gupta, M/o Prashant Gupta

Studying for my exams has been a little difficult for me. What other kids take 2-3 hours to study would take me 6-7 hours. There were times, when I would envy other kids going down to play even during exams while I still struggled with my studies. I felt frustrated when I wasn't able to memorize, but my limitations don't deter me. If I have certain challenges, I have certain strong points too. I am good at music. I am not sad I am dyslexic. I feel normal. My achievement wouldn't have been possible without the support of my teachers and my mom.

My mom had to drive me down to school everyday and wait for my classes to get over. I ended up wasting a lot of my studying time due to my surgeries. However, the toughest bit was getting into a wheel chair. But things get easier when you have so much support. My school has been extremely supportive. They always made sure that my class was on the ground floor. My teachers would stay back after school hours and help me out with my studies. When everybody does so much for you, you want to repay. I wanted to make their efforts, especially my mom's, worthwhile.



Prashant with his mom

Meet **Prashant Gupta**, a student of AIS Noida who scored 91% in Class XII CBSE boards. He is suffering from *polyostotic fibrous dysplasia* - a bone disease that has led to orthopaedic disability. Having undergone multiple surgeries and withstood 33 fractures, he still stands strong.

## What a debut!

While the feat at CBSE results remains same, a few novel elements were added to the win this year; case in point being the first batch for Class XII of AIS Pushp Vihar and Amity's first ever Humanities batch from AIS Noida. Here's what the debutants have to say.

It feels extremely special to be the first ever batch

of AIS PV. And what makes it even more special is the fact that our batch has done so well. I guess it's the hard work of the teachers that has paid off. The school worked extremely hard with us, guiding us right from the very beginning. This grand first result is just the first step in many more fabulous results to come. Way to go AIS PV!

Anugya Gupta, AIS PV

Being in the first batch of Humanities was really a marvelous experience. I shifted to Humanities after studying Science for one whole year in 11th grade but I couldn't have ever imagined to have such a great aptitude for the subject. All of the credit, needless to say, goes to my teachers. I feel that more students should consider studying Humanities as an option because the future prospects in it are countless, unlike what the common assumptions are. Plus, the faculty really makes it worthwhile.

Katyayani Singh, AIS Noida

This vacation thieves broke into our house and took away all our valuables. We had a real life 'Crime Patrol' experience when the CID team sprayed black powder to check out finger prints but sadly found none!

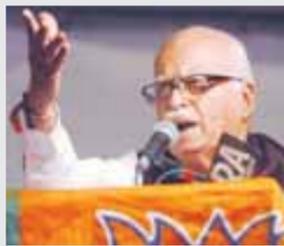
Gargi Kulkarni, AIS Noida, VII B



# News Recapitulation

Hit by the newsbug, join The Global Times as it takes you on a newsy ride across the continents to bring you interesting news stories that created ripples and captured headlines this summer

## Politics



**Modi anointed:** Brushing aside reservations of patriarch L K Advani and some other senior leaders, the BJP on June 9 anointed Gujarat Chief Minister Narendra Modi as the Chairman of its Election Campaign Committee for the 2014 polls, a move considered just short of making him the prime ministerial candidate.

**The grand split:** The BJP-JD(U) alliance ended acrimoniously on June 17 over Narendra Modi's 'coronation' as the saffron prime ministerial

candidate. The 17 year old alliance ended on a bitter note with Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar sacking all 11 BJP ministers in his cabinet and his ally-turned-foe swiftly retaliating by accusing him of betrayal. The BJP meanwhile, lost no time in warming up to its new role as the main opposition to the Kumar government calling for a statewide *bandh* to protest against a 'betrayal of mandate' and promising to wheel out its heavy artillery in the form of Modi. [G T](#)



## National



**Uttarakhand deluge:** On the morning of June 16, a fury of flash floods and landslides brought havoc and left behind a trail of devastation in the state of Uttarakhand. The epicentre of this calamity was Vasukital, a glacial lake at an altitude of 14,200 feet where a cloudburst occurred past the midnight of June 16. It led to overflowing of the lake causing flash floods down the hills in Kedarnath. The holy temple town of Kedarnath was the worst hit by floods. Over 5,000 people still remain stranded across the state and at least 400 are officially missing. Even as government sources say rescue operations in flood ravaged Uttarakhand could be completed in next 48 to 72 hours, a few villages still remain completely cut-off and haven't received any relief aid in the past eight days. The mass cremation of unidentified bodies have begun in Kedarnath. [G T](#)

## International

### Sharif gets third time lucky as Pakistan's PM:

Nearly 14 years after being deposed in a military coup and forced into exile, Nawaz Sharif was sworn in as Pakistan's Prime Minister for a record third term on June 6. 63-year-old Sharif was sworn in by President Asif Ali Zardari at a function at the Presidency after being formally elected as Prime Minister by an overwhelming majority in Pakistan's 342-member National Assembly. Sharif is the 27th Prime Minister of Pakistan, which has witnessed three military coups.

**NSA whistleblower Snowden in limbo:** Russian President Vladimir Putin says that fugitive National Security Agency leaker Edward Snowden has been in the transit zone of Moscow's Sheremetyevo air-



port since flying in from Hong Kong- meaning that he has not officially entered the country. If true, it's effectively a life of airport limbo for the 29-year-old American whistleblower who leaked the extent of US electronic surveillance on the world.

**US to support Syrian rebels:** The US has said it will provide military support to Syrian rebels after concrete evidences of nerve gas attacks by government forces were found against the rebel group. The assessment that limited attacks have taken place is based on CIA tests on blood, urine and hair samples of dead rebels. [G T](#)

## Science & technology



**Fast and furious:** Japan has unveiled its new "levitating" bullet train, designed to travel at speeds of up to 500 kmph, it has undergone its first test on tracks. Japan's first commercial model of a magnetically levitated train has been placed on an outdoor test track. Officials at Central

Japan Railway unveiled the L0 model on June 5 at its test track in Yamanashi Prefecture. The track is being extended to 43 kms to enable full-fledged test runs. The train will travel at speeds of up to 500 kmph and will link the two cities in 40 minutes.



**New Solar System:** Scientists have identified a new solar system with three potentially habitable Earth-like planets orbiting a nearby star, just 22 light years away in the constellation Scorpius. A look at star Gliese 667 revealed a treasure trove of planets. [G T](#)

## Business & Economy

### Delhi Airport, world's 2nd best:

Indira Gandhi International Airport has been named as the world's second best airport in the 25-40 million passengers category by the Airport Council International. The airport also has been adjudged as the fourth best in the world among 199 airports across all categories. A nine-member team, comprising representatives from airport operator Delhi International Airport Limited, Central Industrial Security Force, Airport Operations Control and Air India received the 'ACI



ASQ Award' at an award ceremony in Istanbul, Turkey on June 14, 2013.

**Rupee slumps:** The Indian rupee breached formidable resistance of 60 to the dollar to plummet to a record low on June 26, 2013. The rupee has been under pressure due to factors such as high inflation, burgeoning current account deficit and high gold imports. The currency, which was around 54 mark in the beginning of the year, has continued its fall in June after sliding 8 per cent in May. [G T](#)

## Law & Order



**CBI to quiz Jindal:** The Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI), which is probing the alleged irregularities in coal allocation, has questioned former Coal Secretary HC Gupta and sent a notice to Congress Lok Sabha member and industrialist Naveen Jindal and the Jindal Group. The agency had raided the office and residential premises of Jindal. The agency also quizzed Gupta for five hours in relation to the allocations during his tenure as Coal Secretary in the

year 2008.

**Maoist ambush:** In one of the deadliest attacks, suspected Maoist rebels killed at least 19 people in Chattisgarh when they ambushed a convoy carrying regional Congress leaders in a dense forest on May 25. The rebels felled trees to block the 20-car convoy and then detonated a landmine and raked the vehicles with gunfire. Among those killed was Mahendra Karma, a senior Congress leader from Chattisgarh, who founded an anti-maoist group and was believed to be the main target of the attack. [G T](#)



## Sports



**IPL spot-fixing shame:** IPL is no stranger to controversy, but on May 16, it met arguably its biggest crisis when Delhi Police arrested three Rajasthan Royals' players - Sreesanth, Ajit Chandila and Ankeet Chavan - soon after their match in Mumbai for alleged

spot-fixing. Eleven bookies were also arrested at that time, including one Amit Singh, who was a former Royals player. The Royals later suspended their players and the BCCI set up an inquiry, headed by its Anti Corruption and Security Unit (ACSU) chief Ravi Sawani, into the allegations. The board also announced enhanced anti-corruption measures, including two more security personnel with each team. The arrests kicked off a nation-wide search and arrest of bookmakers. One of those picked up in Mumbai was a small-time actor, Virender

"Vindoo" Dara Singh, arrested on charges of links with bookmakers. His testimony led to the arrest of Meiyappan Gurunath, a top official of Chennai Super Kings and son-in-law of BCCI President N Srinivasan.

**Nadal swats Ferrer:** Rafael Nadal, the 27-year-old Spaniard sealed his place in history by demolishing David Ferrer 6-3, 6-2, 6-3 to win the 8th French Open Singles title. Ferrer had not lost a set on his way to the final, but he could not come close to winning a set against Nadal. [G T](#)



**World's oldest person dead:** The world's oldest person, 116-year-old Japanese man Jiroemon Kimura, died on June 12. Kimura, who lived in Kyotango near Kyoto in western Japan, had been hospitalized for pneumonia since last month. He

## Trivia



became the world's oldest person to die on December 17, 2012, after the former title holder, Jeanne Louise Calment from France, died at 122 years of age.

**BSNL scraps telegram service:** The era of mobile phones, emails and SMSes has

claimed a victim- the telegram. Come July 15, India's oldest communication services- the telegram will become history. Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd (BSNL), India's only provider of telegram services, has decided to stop its 162-year-old telegraph services, which is losing Rs 350 crore per annum. [G T](#)



The most enjoyable part of my holidays was playing in the park with friends. I also went to my *nani's* place for a fortnight and had a good time with my cousins.  
Prateek Parasher, AIS Pushp Vihar, IX D

# Celebrating the Day of Belongingness

Emotions ran high and the unity was hard to miss as the Amity family rejoiced in the birthday celebrations of Mr Atul Chauhan, Chancellor, AUUP



Amity family wish Mr Atul Chauhan & Ms Pooja Chauhan, Vice Chairperson, Amity Humanity Foundation



Mime by students

came to the fore when she expressed her feeling of pride towards her son on the occasion of his birthday. Mr Assem Chauhan, the younger brother, too expressed his feelings eloquently, "Every-time I looked for my brother, he was around, this is belongingness; every time I needed help, I was in trouble, my brother and parents were there, this is belongingness."

Mr Atul Chauhan's ascendance on the stage was greeted with all the Amitians singing a birthday song for him, "I feel very touched, highly emotional and thankful to have you all, School Principals, Heads of Institutions, faculty members, students to wish me on this day. I thank Dr Chauhan for creating such a beautiful Amity family. He believes that celebrating my birthday is not enough, and so he chose to call it A Day of Belongingness," said Mr Atul Chauhan. He

the meaning of belongingness and wish Mr Atul Chauhan. Founder President, Amity Universe; Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of International Schools; Mr Atul Chauhan; Mr Aseem Chauhan, Chancellor, Amity University Rajasthan; Maj. Gen K. Jai Singh, Group Vice Chancellor, Amity University; Dr (Mrs) Balvinder Shukla, Acting Vice Chancellor, Amity University.

The day became the perfect platform for Amitians to share their sentiments about

the meaning of belongingness and wish Mr Atul Chauhan. Founder President, Amity Universe; Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of International Schools; Mr Atul Chauhan; Mr Aseem Chauhan, Chancellor, Amity University Rajasthan; Maj. Gen K. Jai Singh, Group Vice Chancellor, Amity University; Dr (Mrs) Balvinder Shukla, Acting Vice Chancellor, Amity University.

The mother in Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan

Amity Institute  
for Competitive  
Examinations

Presents 

Brainleaks-76  
FOR CLASS XI-XII

How many of the following statements are incorrect?

- (a) The copper containing electron carrier in non - cyclic photophosphorylation is plastoquinone
- (b) Photolysis of water requires the participation of PS-I and not PS-II
- (c) Glycolysis results in the production of 4 ATP, 4 NADPH and 2CO<sub>2</sub>
- (d) Cyanide resistant respiration occurs in zone plants.

(1) 1 (2) 2 (3) 3 (4) 4

Last Date:  
July 11, 2013

3 correct entries win attractive prizes

Ans: Brainleaks 75: (d)  $\frac{5}{2}$

Name:.....

Class:.....

School:.....

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further added, "Amity is one organisation where every member is a pillar of strength and is proud to belong to our family, your family." The day concluded with Amity family showering birthday wishes upon the Chancellor.  

Namrata Gulati, GT Network

It was a sight indeed when the Amity family united under one roof to celebrate the birthday of Mr Atul Chauhan, Chancellor, Amity University Uttar Pradesh, on May 7 at Amity University Noida campus. What makes the day extra special is that it is earmarked as the Day of Belongingness and is a tribute of all the Amitians to their affinity for Amity. The event saw the gra-

# Amity Summer School

The seventh season of Amity Summer School saw over 250 students from about 70 schools across the country benefit from the valuable career insights provided by top academicians and experts

Smita Jain, GT Network

Amity University opened its gate to over 250 students from across the country to get a taste of conventional as well as offbeat career options available to students following Class XII.

The fortnight long Summer School, a brain child of Mr Atul Chauhan, Chancellor Amity University, Uttar Pradesh, offered the participating students a glimpse of college life and various career options available in the field of Mass Communication, Fine Arts, Science & Technology, Management Studies, Travel and Tourism, Foreign Languages etc. The program, which was a perfect blend of academics and extracurricular activities, provided an opportunity to the students to identify the right career stream which best suits their interests.

The participants were apprised about the various courses offered by the university, the ensuing curriculum and other associated nuances during lectures delivered by top experts in state of the art classrooms. The students also had access to syndicate rooms and laboratories in the university which boasts of world



Participants get a taste of engineering during a workshop

class infrastructure. The program, open for students of Class X to XII, saw the participants enjoy a host of recreational activities accessible in varsity's sprawling campus like horse riding, tennis and shooting.

The program launched on May 27 under the able guidance of Dr Ajay Rana, Director, Amity Summer School, was able to provide right guidance to students in matters related to career at a crucial

point of student life. Dr Rana, in an interaction with students, shared the vision and secret formula of success coined by Dr Ashok K. Chauhan, Founder President, Amity Universe. He said Summer Schools like these go a long way in making a student familiar with the nuances of college life and also enable him to make a right career choice.

Sharing his experience at Amity University, Abhishek Goyal, a student of Cam-



Mr Atul Chauhan (C) and Dr Ajay Rana (extreme right) give away certificates to participants as other dignitaries look on

bridge School, Indrapuram said, "I had my own set of apprehensions when I enrolled for the program, but today I am going back enriched. Thanks Amity for providing me expert career guidance and a home away from home."

Speaking on the concluding day of the program, the Chancellor said, "I see a spark in each one of you present here. The very fact that you opted to join the Summer School draws you apart from

your peers who are enjoying their summer vacation. Such programs help in laying the right foundation of a long and fulfilling career."

The valedictory function saw some films made by students during their stay at Amity University being screened at the auditorium packed with students and parents. The event concluded with students being awarded participation certificates by Mr Atul Chauhan.  

# Marks of honour



### AIS Noida

**Class X**  
School average **9.57 CGPA**

**Distinctions**  
344/344

**Result**  
100%

15.7% 10 CGPA, 15% 10-9 CGPA, 30.8% 9-8 CGPA, 52% BELOW 8 CGPA

**Class XII**  
School average **80.96%**  
Result **100%**

31.1% 90% & above, 35.7% 80-90%, 33.2% Below 80%

**Science Topper**: Vanshika 97.8%  
**Comm. Topper**: Pranali 97%  
**Humanities Topper**: Sugandha 95.8%

**Chairperson**: Renu Singh, Principal AIS Noida

### AIS Saket

**Class X**  
School average **9.29 CGPA**

**Distinctions**  
107/110

**Result**  
100%

23.6% 10 CGPA, 8.2% 10-9 CGPA, 26.4% 9-8 CGPA, 41.8% BELOW 8 CGPA

**Class XII**  
School average **84.88%**  
Result **100%**

16.5% 90% & above, 53% 80-90%

**Science Topper**: Drishti 96.8%  
**Comm. Topper**: Vipanchi 96.8%, Bhavna M 96.8%

**Chairperson**: Rekha Ranade, Principal AIS Saket

### AIS Vasundhara 6

**Class X**  
School average **9.1 CGPA**

**Distinctions**  
116/127

**Result**  
100%

15% 10 CGPA, 37% 10-9 CGPA, 24.4% 9-8 CGPA, 23.6% BELOW 8 CGPA

**Class XII**  
School average **82.27%**  
Result **100%**

24.1% 90% & above, 40.5% 80-90%

**Science Toppers**: Vaibhav 95.2%, Yash 95.2%  
**Comm. Topper**: Radhika 96.2%

**Chairperson**: Sunila Athley, Principal, AIS Vas 6

### Amitasha

**Class X**  
School average **8.6 CGPA**

**Distinctions**  
13/17

**Result**  
100%

23.5% 10 CGPA, 53% 10-9 CGPA, 23.5% 9-8 CGPA, 53% BELOW 8 CGPA

### AIS Pushp Vihar

**Class X**  
School average **9.31 CGPA**

**Distinctions**  
132/137

**Result**  
100%

21.2% 10 CGPA, 6.6% 10-9 CGPA, 40.1% 9-8 CGPA, 32.1% BELOW 8 CGPA

**Class XII**  
School average **83.04%**  
Result **100%**

33% 90% & above, 30.7% 80-90%, 36.3% Below 80%

**Science Topper**: Deepanshu S 95.6%  
**Comm. Topper**: Hemant Gaur 95.4%

**Chairperson**: Ameeta Mohan, Principal AIS Pushp Vihar

### AIS Gurgaon 43

**Class X**  
School average **8.98 CGPA**

**Distinctions**  
126/137

**Result**  
100%

12.4% 10 CGPA, 21.9% 10-9 CGPA, 29.9% 9-8 CGPA, 35.8% BELOW 8 CGPA

**Class XII**  
School average **81.37%**  
Result **100%**

41.8% 90% & above, 25.2% 80-90%, 33% Below 80%

**Science Topper**: Sajal Gupta 97.6%  
**Comm. Topper**: Shivangi Mittal 96.2%

**Chairperson**: Vishakha Chitnis, Vice Principal AIS Gurgaon 43

### Class XII subject wise toppers 2012-13

SUBJECTS	AIS SAKET	AIS PUSHP VIHAR	AIS NOIDA	AIS MAYUR VIHAR	AIS GURGAON 46	AIS GURGAON 43	AIS VASUNDHARA 6
ACCOUNTANCY	97% Sneh Kakkar	95% Anugya Gupta, Heba Safawi, Hemant Gaur, Kritika Goyal, Kunal Batra, Pranjal Jain, Vishal Sikka	100% Dakshata Sahni, Abhinav Jindal	99% Ishita Goyal, Vinam Suri	95% Sonit Agrawal, Vikas Yadav	95% Priyam A, Rachit W, Shivangi Mittal, Jasnoor Singh, Gunika Kalra, Vikram Jolly, Yashita Mahajan	95% Aashrey, Aishwarya, Nishtha Wadhwa, Radhika, Sahil, Sanchita, Vardhman, Viraat, Vrinda
BIOTECHNOLOGY	100% Rohan Pandey	.....	100% Devangana Bose	.....	.....	.....	.....
BIOLOGY	95% Drishti Malhotra	92% Sanjam Kohli	95% Abhinav S, Rishabh S	95% Aastha Garg	95% Kashish K, Drishti M	96% Kriti Agarwal	95% Falguni, Shubham G
BUSINESS STUDIES	99% Bhavna Mehrotra, Anshika Gupta, Samridhi Vij, Abhilasha Banerji	99% Akshara Jain	100% Sakshi Kapoor, Shreya Khandelwal	99% Kartiki Dutta, Samaksh Gupta	96% Shreya Srivastva, Sameeksha Goyal	97% Shivangi Mittal	100% Radhika Gupta, Vrinda Tayal
CHEMISTRY	100% Rohan Pandey, Sakshi Raju	97% Deepanshu Singh	99% Siddhant, Abhinav, Kush, Akash, Anushka, Vanishika, Aarti, Vallari	98% Sakaar Khurana, Snehal, Isha Agarwal	99% Drishti Modi	99% Neil Kakkar, Himanshu Chettiar	98% Yash Tyagi
COMPUTER SCIENCE	99% Kim Hans	97% Mayank Daswani	99% Akshay Kumar Gupta, Prema Kashyap	99% Sakaar Khurana	93% Rijurekh Bose	96% Mehak Taluja	99% Vaibhav Bhandari
ECONOMICS	98% Aakash Sahai, Abhilasha B., Diksha Raina	99% Vishal Sikka	100% Krupa Rajagopalan	98% Shreya Gauba	99% Sayesha Bhattacharya, Sonit Agrawal	97% Nimit Bholra, Sajal Gupta	98% Vardhman Jain
ENGLISH	97% Vipanchi H, Aarti A	96% Anugya Gupta	97% Jyot Kaur Kohli	98% Aastha Garg	99% Shraddha Kumari	98% Rishika K, Shivangi M	98% Osheen Srivastva
HISTORY	.....	.....	98% Anumeha Mathur	.....	.....	.....	.....
HOME SCIENCE	77% Lakshya Dipchandani	98% Aprajita Sharma	98% Shrayya Bansal, Sumedha Chandra Sekhar	.....	76% Shubham Sharma	.....	97% Greeshma B
INFORMATICS	99% Jhujhar	90% Purnima Nainwal	97% Yashasvi Kapur	89% Neil Deopujari	98% Ayush Shah	100% Mahak Sachdeva	.....
MATHEMATICS	99% Saiyam Pabreja, Mayank Vachher	96% Mayank Daswani, Omair Malik	100% Anushika Baoni, Vanishika Baoni	100% Shreya Gauba	99% Sharon Jose Motha	100% Maneet Minocha	95% Dinak, Prerak K, Vaibhav B, Yash G, Anand S, Nikita A, Prerit T, Arushi G, Sanchita K
POLITICAL SCIENCE	.....	.....	99% Tejaswi, Katyayani	.....	.....	.....	.....
MULTIMEDIA & WEB T	.....	.....	98% Sakshi Sapru	.....	.....	.....	.....
PAINTING	100% Vipanchi Handa, Bhavya Batra	98% Prayant Bansal	99% Arushi Malhotra, Sanobar Khan, Shaurya A	.....	92% Aradhna Sriram	.....	100% Arushi Garg
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	98% Pranshu Mashta, Nikhil Dhawan	97% Naman Katyal, Sushmit Sharma	98% Archie Kohli, Raghav Kumar, Tanvi Tandon	96% Rishabh Jain	90% Gunjan Singhal, Swati Saini	90% Kriti Agarwal	98% Divyakshi Sharma, Anshika Shukla
PHYSICS	98% Samarth Singhal	95% Deepanshu Singh	100% Manas Sahni	97% Aarushi Jain, Parumita Sachdeva	99% Kushal Singhal	98% Neil Kakkar, Sajal Gupta	95% Dinak, Prerak K, Shambhavi S, Yash G, Bhargavi S, Yash T, Adhiraj
PSYCHOLOGY	100% Bhavna Mehrotra, Drishti Malhotra	90% Shivangi Gupta	100% Vamika Arora	.....	94% Manat Mantoo	.....	100% Osheen Srivastava
SCULPTURE	.....	.....	96% Akhil P, Ishita S	74% Akanksha Arora	.....	.....	.....

### AIS Gurgaon 46

**Class X**  
School average **8.5 CGPA**

**Distinctions**  
146/175

**Result**  
100%

27.9% 10 CGPA, 10.9% 10-9 CGPA, 30.3% 9-8 CGPA, 30.9% BELOW 8 CGPA

**Class XII**  
School average **82.06%**  
Result **100%**

37.6% 90% & above, 32.3% 80-90%, 30.1% Below 80%

**Science Toppers**: Manisha 96.2%, Sayesha 96.2%, Shreya 95.4%, Vikas 95.4%

**Chairperson**: Arti Chopra, Principal, AIS Gur 46

### AIS Mayur Vihar

**Class X**  
School average **9.16 CGPA**

**Distinctions**  
170/182

**Result**  
100%

12.6% 10 CGPA, 19.2% 10-9 CGPA, 29.7% 9-8 CGPA, 38.5% BELOW 8 CGPA

**Class XII**  
School average **81.57%**  
Result **100%**

28% 90% & above, 37.6% 80-90%, 34.4% Below 80%

**Science Topper**: Sakaar Khurana 96.6%  
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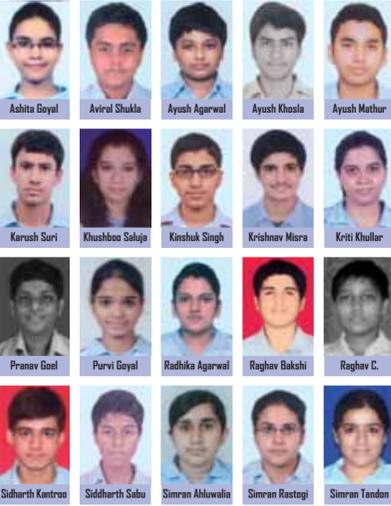
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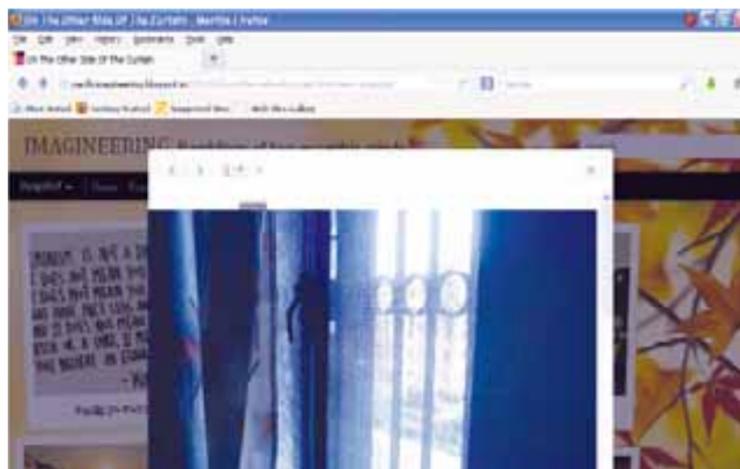
My first (may be the only one) undersea walk, was an out of the world experience!  
 Richa Avtaar, AIS Vasundhara 6, VII C



Break Time

# On the other side of the curtain

For some, a curtain is an inanimate object that shields them from the world; but for me, it conceals the window to my thoughts



**Prashant Kumar, Alumnus**  
 Amity School of Engg & Technology

When my friends sought to buy designer curtains for the new house, I was busy thinking what it symbolized. See, I don't work. I don't cook. I don't even buy – I just pay. This is why I was living in a hotel until now. But as my friends, (who I became friends with in the hotel itself) are mov-

ing to a new duplex house, so, I am moving too, thoughtfully – unlike others who are moving by buying furniture, mattresses, utensils, refrigerator and curtains. Among all things, my mind pondered over curtains.

Every day, as the morning sunshine peeps in, blushing through the curtains, throwing a golden beam of light into the room of beings, breaching the dark privacy inevitably. The designer piece of

cloth that dresses windows and doors and brings about much needed separation of one world from another, keeps hanging like an inanimate object that animates itself with the breeze from two worlds – one real – one unreal.

The inanimate dancer, often stimulated by uninvited air, is not merely a separator and decorator but most importantly a concealer – concealer for the kid playing *chhupa-chhipi*, who hides his rather small body behind the curtain, unaware that the intelligent seeker, quite often his mom, can see his innocent legs.

As a kid, I had this annoying habit of clinging to the curtain and pulling it down with all my strength. I used it as a tool to convince my parents to buy me a *pichkari* on Holi or crackers on Diwali or submit to my wishes. To me, the curtain has been my all-time favourite towel as well as a handkerchief.

Anyway, we've bought curtains – one blue, the other red – a combo for each room- it was a personal choice, if you ask. I have moved to my new home, inside new curtains and old thoughts.

(To read more, log on to: <http://pacificimagineering.blogspot.in>)



**Trivia:** The name 'mango yoghurt fool' perhaps comes from the fact that yoghurt replaces cream in the original recipe but tastes just the same. What's more, it has low calories too!



**Paresh Bali**  
 Asst Prof. Amity School of Hospitality

## Mango yoghurt fool

### Ingredients

- Mangoes (ripe) .....500 gm
- Yoghurt/ Hung curd.....300 gm
- Chocolate cookies .....6
- Icing sugar (optional) .....to taste
- Lemon juice .....4-5 drops

### Method

- Peel and dice the mangoes into small cubes. Remove the remaining pulp with the help of a spoon and puree it in a blender. Add lemon juice slowly.

- Whisk the yoghurt lightly and mix icing sugar in it.
- Crush chocolate cookies into small bits, but do not powder them.
- In a coupe/ ice cream cup/ shot glass, pour 1 tsp of mango puree, then layer it with yoghurt. Add a layer of diced mangoes and sprinkle chocolate cookies.
- Repeat the steps for double layering.
- Garnish with diced mangoes sprinkled with chocolate cookies. Serve chilled. 

## The bracelet



**Labani Biswas**  
 Amity Institute of Biotechnology

Beads of her bracelet with rifts of a paused heartbeat; caress did she their edges, lost in memories obsolete. Outside the cold rain did soothe the parched window sill; so did the trickling tear drop scurrying across her cheeks downhill. Will there be a day as bright as a stack of flaming hay? With ardent winds pulling at the clouds,

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shaking the heavy grey away?  
 Then will the stream giggle again,  
 with the rainbow colours  
 seeping from the sun;  
 then will the nascent stalks  
 raise their heads to be called a forest,  
 to be among them one?  
 Till then, the fingers will fail to sense  
 everything else but the cold they feel,  
 till then, the eyes will strain across  
 eagerly anticipating a trace of wheels.



## Finding love and happiness

**Sweta Sahu, AIS Gur 43, X A**

In this busy world, no one has time for love, it's just like a big herd, most of the people have become symbols of devils and not dove.

What is happening to people?  
 Why have they turned stone hearted and evil? Full of animosity and hearts without love.

Look at the flowers and the river,  
 look at the baby's innocent eyes,  
 pure and untouched by evil.

The truth is that, life is short; so don't let jealousy and lies make your brain rot. It's meaningless to be jealous and more meaningless to be callous.

Happiness never depends on others,  
 it's not a supplement  
 or a dish served on a platter.

Of everything, let's not make a fuss.  
 Of sadness and complaints,



## Tee quotes

T-shirts are like mobile billboards that turn the street into the world's biggest art gallery! So go grab one and flaunt your witty and headturner T-shirts.

let's remove the dust.

Love, purity and happiness is like a star,  
 so reach out for it,  
 for it is God's power.

With love and happiness, babies glow,  
 seeing them will recharge your batteries  
 if they are low.

Everything has a good side if you see,  
 don't worry because to get it,  
 you don't need to pay any fee.  
 Let your heart be pure,  
 it's just the best cure,  
 of that you can be sure. 

## Sudoku 37

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Anannya Bhatnagar, AIS Noida, XI F

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Blooming glory



Heavenly hues

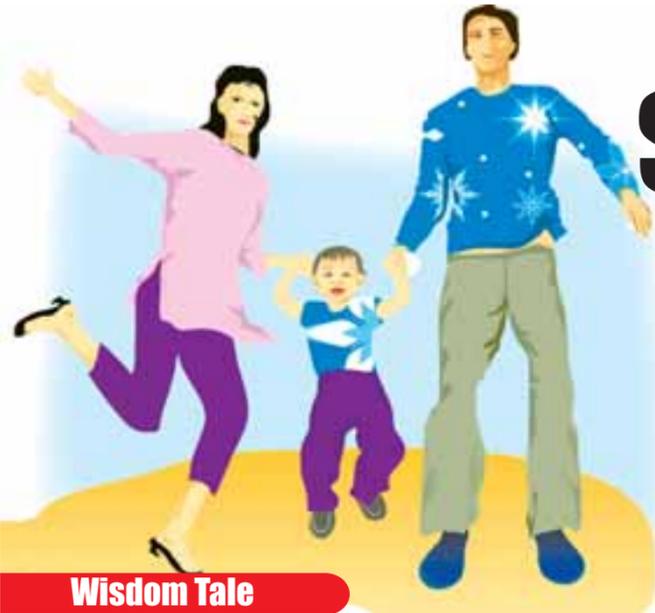


Soaked in serenity



These holidays were the best as I enjoyed the beauty of beaches, mountains, plains and valleys in just a week during my trip to Shirdi, Pune, Lonavla, Khandala and Mumbai!  
Aditi Banerji, AIS Noida, V A

# The tale of a spoilt child



Wisdom Tale

Khushi Srivastava, AIS Noida, VII A

Once upon a time, there was a boy named Rishabh, who was the apple of his parents' eye. His parents loved him a lot and did not believe in scolding him for every mistake he committed. Soon, the child got into a habit of stealing other people's things. Rishabh first started pocketing erasers and pencils of his classmates and then began stealing money from his grandpa-

ther's wallet. His parents turned a blind eye to their son's mistakes. They never corrected him, but instead covered up his faults. Soon, it became a habit of Rishabh to steal to fulfill his needs, whether big or small. He would lift fancy things from shopping malls and brag about his possessions. After a few years, Rishabh grew up into a handsome boy and joined a multinational company as a manager. As they say, old habits die hard. He could hardly resist embezzling the funds of the com-

pany to buy a luxury car for himself. His act was captured on a CCTV camera. His employers decided to hand him over to the police. Rishabh had to serve many years behind the bars. As he was being sent to prison, he wished to see his parents. When his grieving parents came to see him, he asked them, "Why didn't you scold me the day I stole something for the first time?" His parents stood speechless with tears in their eyes as the cops walked their son to the nearby barrack. They were full of repentance and wished they had corrected their son the first time he stole. 🇮🇳

**So what did you learn today?**  
It is the duty of parents to correct their child when s/he falters.



## Watermelon lemonade

Aman Jain, AIS Noida, VI

### Ingredients

- White sugar .....½ cup
- Water .....½ cup
- Watermelon (cubed) .....4 cups
- Cold water .....3 cups
- Fresh lemon juice .....½ cup
- Ice cubes .....6 cups

### Method

- Blend the watermelon in a blender

until you get a smooth puree.

- Strain through a fine sieve. Bring sugar and 1/2 cup water to a boil in a saucepan over medium-high heat until sugar dissolves.
- Remove from heat. Stir in 3 cups of cold water and the lemon juice.
- Divide the ice into 12 glasses, and scoop 2 to 3 tablespoons of watermelon puree over the ice, then top with the lemonade. Stir it gently before serving. 🇮🇳

## It's Me



**My name:** Vanya Kaura  
**My school:** AIS Vas 1  
**My class:** II  
**My b'day:** October 10, 2006  
**I like:** To be social  
**I hate:** Liars  
**My hobby:** Dancing, drawing  
**My role model:** My mom  
**My best friend:** Pari  
**My favourite book:** Fairy tales

**My favourite game:** Badminton  
**My favourite mall:** Mahagun Metro Mall  
**My favourite game:** Badminton  
**My favourite food:** Aloo puri  
**My favourite teacher:** Pranjali Ma'am  
**My favourite subject:** English  
**I want to become a:** teacher  
**I want to feature in GT because:** I want to increase my friend circle 🇮🇳

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### Kind trees

Harsh Thakran  
AIS Gurgaon 43, V A

Trees are kindest things I know,  
they do no harm, they simply grow.  
They spread a shade for sleepy cows,  
and gather birds among their bows.

They give us fruit and leaves,  
wood to make our houses big and clean.  
Provide leaves to burn on Halloween,  
and in the spring new buds of green.  
First to wake up when day begins,  
to catch the beams of morning sun.  
They are the last ones to hold the light,  
when evening changes into night.  
As moon floats on the sky,  
they hum a drowsy lullaby.  
Of sleepy children long ago,  
trees are the kindest thing I know. 🇮🇳

### I wonder

Arushi Arora, AIS Vas 1, VII

I wonder...  
Who made the birds fly so high?  
I wonder...  
Who made the fish swim so fast?



I wonder...  
Who made the cheetah run so fast?  
I wonder...  
Who made the elephant so big?  
I wonder...  
Who made the peacock so beautiful?  
I Wonder...  
Who made me talk so much?  
I don't wonder...  
But everyone else does! 🇮🇳

## Painting Corner

Rujul Singh  
AIS Vasundhara 6, IV A



## Jokey Pokey

**What are the strongest days of the week?**  
Saturdays and Sundays because rest of the days are weekdays. 😊😊😊

**What do you call a pig that knows karate?**  
A pork chop 😊😊😊

**Why do bees have sticky hair?**  
Because they use honeycombs. 😊😊😊

**Why do cows wear bells?**  
Because their horns do not work. 😊😊😊

**Why did the barber win the race?**  
Because he knew the shortcut. 😊😊😊

**Where do cows go on a Friday night?**  
A moovie theatre. 😊😊😊

# Teaching the teachers

The teacher training programme run by Amity Centre for Educational Research and Training is committed to raising a brigade of world class educators through its child-centric methods of teaching

## ACERT

Rachna Jain, Senior trainer, ACERT

The Right to Education Act 2010 lays immense significance on the role of teachers in improving the quality of elementary education. This can be made possible only if professionally trained teachers are engaged in schools. According to the latest report released by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, India would require about 13.3 lakh trained teachers to achieve the target of 100% literacy.

If statistics are to be believed, currently only 1 out of 5 primary school teachers has the requisite academic qualification to ensure quality learning. This is where Amity Centre for Educational Research and Training comes into the picture. The institute offers a path breaking and contemporary programme that has been meticulously designed after several years of research. The programme, which is a perfect amalgamation of best Indian and international teaching methodologies, lays emphasis on child-centric methods of teaching.

The main objective of the programme is to provide teacher- trainees with the right knowledge, attitude and skills to educate and prepare students to adjust well in all kinds of environment. ACERT believes

that teachers are the cornerstone of good quality education and hence it aims to prepare effective, dynamic, sensitive and compassionate educators.

Today, teachers are not only expected to hone the learner's intellect and aptitude, but also develop the overall personality of children. Keeping this in mind, ACERT has designed an innovative and dynamic course which helps trainees to learn all the aspects of teaching and learning. The programme also provides practical exposure to the trainees. They are asked to record their observations and conduct demo lessons at Amiown and Amity schools. This exercise helps them attain confidence and also hones their teaching skills.

Every year candidates from diverse backgrounds like law, banking, corporate sector, engineering, or fashion designing enroll for the training programme at ACERT. Such an eclectic mix of students invigorates and enriches the classroom environment. Sharing her experience Arunika Punia, a trainee from an engineering background says, "ACERT has equipped me with innovative and child-centric teaching methodology. There was never a dull moment in the classroom and I got to learn a lot from my peers." Currently, she is working at AIS Gurgaon 46 as a Maths teacher.

"The trainers at ACERT were excellent guides and motivators. The training programme has helped me



become a better parent. One year of training has really changed my life for the better," says Rashmi Deshmukh, another trainee of the institute.

What sets ACERT apart is perhaps its unique ability to put its teacher in the shoes of parents. A teacher must aspire to become a trusted friend, an accessible counselor, a patient and inspiring idol. The programmes run by ACERT help in overall

personality development of the candidates and also empower women.

Since its inception in 2006, ACERT has groomed hundreds of teachers who are now working in reputed schools of Delhi and NCR, different cities of India and even abroad. It has helped women to realise their potential and guided them to embark on their teaching career.  

## ACERT Memorabilia

Trainees share their experience of learning at Amity Centre for Educational Research & Training...

### Stepping into children's shoes



After my son, a nursery student, joined AIS Gur 46, I decided to join the Teacher Training Programme at ACERT in 2007. This programme guided me towards discovering the world of children in a whole new way,

while learning about theories from renowned educationists like Dr Maria Montessori, Lourif Malguzzi, John Dewey, Jerome Brunner and more

As I look back, I feel proud of my decision to join the course. All the concepts, philosophies and practical exercises I learnt during my training have enabled me to bring up my son better. The ACERT syllabus, weaved with international child centric teaching methodologies for holistic development of a child, equipped the mother in me to nurture the formative period of my child effectively. The course helped me to think like a child belonging to a tender age group. It showed me how a facilitator can make complex exercises simpler for kids.

I look forward to having a new class every year that I can raise into independent children charged with the 'I can do it' spirit.

**Shilpi Mukherjee Ghosh,**  
Facilitator, KG C, Amiown Gurgaon

The design of the course has been such that it taught us to be more observant, empathetic and confident individuals. We learnt that preparedness and planning is the key to success. Imbibing all these values in turn has opened several avenues for us in the outside world, ensuring a better and brighter future for us.

ACERT has transformed us into better individuals, teachers and parents.

**Monika Sharda, ACERT 2012-13**

### Reigniting the Amity bond



My journey at ACERT began one fine July afternoon. My first day was full of apprehensions. However, the apprehensions soon wore off with an ice-breaking session and soon, we all became close friends.

We were acquainted with the faculty and the philosophy of Amity. Some things seemed familiar as I already had an eight-year-old relationship with Amity universe, as I am an Amity parent. But I was fortunate that Sapna ma'am gave me the opportunity to prove my potential as an educator too.

My journey with ACERT was packed with numerous challenges and opportunities. While I learnt to capitalize on the opportunities, I also learnt to overcome hurdles, which made me a stronger person. The journey was a mixed bag of celebrations, enjoyments, challenge and laughter. However, what made the experience exceptional was the constant support of our guides and faculty.

I would like to thank ACERT for not only giving me lifelong friends, but also grooming my personality. I have travelled a thousand miles in this incredible journey, which started with a simple step. I have learnt so much on my way and observed the minutest of things. I aspire to be an perfect educator who will bring in a change one day!  

**Julie Jha, ACERT PV (2012-13)**



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Like every year, I went to my hometown Amravati and enjoyed the freedom to go to the neighbourhood shop all by myself to buy my favourite goodies!

Lakshmi Kulkarni, AIS Noida, KG C

# Happy birthday chairperson ma'am

Amity International School, Pushp Vihar was abuzz with festivity and value based learning as it hosted the birthday celebrations of Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools



Chairperson, Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan with Amitasha students and members of the Amity family; she receives a painting as a token of love from Amitasha students



Little ones display 'happy birthday' poster and greeting cards



Chairperson with AIS family during the cake cutting ceremony

Amityans came together to celebrate the birthday of Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools at AIS Pushp Vihar on April 29, 2013. The occasion saw an august gathering of Amity family members. The birthday celebrations commenced with a foot tapping performance by AIS Pushp Vihar choir followed by the ceremonial lamp lighting.

Celebrating the special occasion with fervour, the newest entrant in Amity family, Atulasha (Amity's initiative for less privileged boy child) students presented an exclusive song. Students of AIS Vasundhara performed *Bharatnatyam* recital, earning the applause of one and all present. This was followed by a special birthday song by the students of AIS Noida and an amazing orchestral performance by AIS MV. *Swayamsidha*-a dance, showcasing 'woman power'

was performed by students of AIS Gurgaon 46. A dance recital by AIS Vasundhara emphasised the importance of saving water. It was followed by a street play performance by the students of AIS Saket. Students of Amity Global School also wished the Chairperson with a unique performance on a peppy English number. Each Amity school displayed spectacular stalls to mark the day. The students of AIS PV performed the school song-*Vidya Dadati Vinayam*, followed by a video presentation. The much awaited cake cutting ceremony preceded the words of wisdom delivered by Chairperson. The event culminated with the singing of school song and national anthem.

The special occasion of Chairperson's birthday not only marks the confluence of festivity but is also a celebration of values and knowledge. The schools

celebrate the occasion as Human Values week every year, conducting a host of activities that aim to educate and inculcate human values in students. AIS Noida commenced with week long celebrations of 'Save the Earth' and 'Human Value' week from April 20, 2013. The students made posters, brochures and promotional literature highlighting the danger posed by the climatic changes to create awareness about them.

AIS Lucknow too celebrated the occasion with gusto, a special assembly was organised wherein a special power point presentation depicting human values like generosity, tolerance and feats of Chairperson's life were shown to the students. Students of Class IV and V beautifully performed the song *Itni si hanshi, itni si khushi*. A story on the life of Vivekananda was also performed.



Artists Rahul Arya and Vishwanath Pratap Singh unveil a special birthday gift

# Know what your teachers did this summer vacation

Onset of summer break 2013 saw AIS Noida take a step towards enhancing and improving the teaching methodologies by conducting a slew of workshops for the teachers. Here's what the mentors learnt...

## AIS Noida

### On a learning curve

**Resource Person:** Sandhya Lal, Coordinator, Learning Enhancement Centre, Noida

**Date:** May 13 and May 15, 2013

**Brief:** A workshop was organised for the teachers of Class Nursery and KG from Amity International Schools Mayur Vihar, Noida and Vasundhara 1 & 6. The aim of the workshop was to educate teachers about various learning disabilities like Dyslexia, Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD), Learning Disability (LD), afflicting students at an early age. The workshop was later, regrouped for the teachers of Class I and II on the same topic.

### PPT wonder

**Resource Person:** Deepti Seth and Vedicha Bhardwaj, Computer teacher, AIS Noida

**Date:** May 13, 2013

**Brief:** A workshop on the topic, 'how to make a power point presentation and to further make use of it in teaching methodology' was organised for the

primary school teachers of Amity International Schools Vasundhara 1 & 6, Noida and Mayur Vihar. The workshop provided an insight on the various innovative methods in which the power point programme could be incorporated in everyday classroom teaching.

### A step towards reading

**Resource Person:** Shivani Khanna, Coordinator, AIS Noida

**Date:** May 13, 2013

**Brief:** The reading skills workshop held for the primary school teachers of Amity International Schools Noida, Vasundhara 1 & 6 and Mayur Vihar laid emphasis on the importance of communication. The innovative and interactive workshop apprised the teachers on how to inculcate reading habits in children from a young age using different and innovative methodologies.

### Origami workshop

**Resource Person:** Prachi Dua, Craft teacher, AIS Noida

**Date:** May 14, 2013

**Brief:** An origami workshop was held for the teachers of Amity International

Schools Noida, Vasundhara 1 & 6 and Mayur Vihar. The interesting session commenced with the coordinator explaining what origami was and about its origin in Japan. Underlining the fun and creative aspect of the craft, the workshop also explained how it can be helpful in classroom teaching. The workshop saw teachers crafting items like sun, tree, grass, rabbit, bird, fox, giraffe, boy, girl, peacock etc and then putting them all together in one frame to compose a picture to tell their own story.

### Activity based teaching

**Resource Person:** Neelu Khanna, Coordinator, AIS Noida

**Date:** May 16, 2013

**Brief:** A workshop titled 'Activity oriented teaching with specific emphasis on activities' was held for the teacher of primary school. The teachers from Amity International Schools Vasundhara 1 & 6 and Noida attended the workshop. The basic aim of the workshop was to encourage activity based and practical learning. The workshop shed light on how young learners like to indulge in activities and how it enables them to understand a particular topic in a fun way.

The workshop also stressed upon the three C's, that is Curiosity, Creativity and Collaboration and their importance for any activity based communication.

### Basic strokes in art

**Resource Person:** Simi Kumar, Art Teacher, AIS Noida

**Date:** May 17, 2013

**Brief:** Teachers from Amity International Schools Noida, Vasundhara 1 & 6 and Mayur Vihar attended the workshop titled, 'Basic strokes in art'. This workshop talked about how art has traditionally been an important part of an early childhood learning and how it encourages holistic development of each and every child. It was learnt that an integrated art program introduced in the curriculum would help develop creative abilities and artistic skills in a child.

### Montessori training

**Resource Person:** Meghna Monga, Coordinator, ACERT

**Date:** May 17, 2013

**Brief:** A workshop titled 'Montessori Training' was held at Amity Centre for Educational Research and Training for the teachers from Amity International

Schools Noida and Vasundhara 1 & 6. The unique Montessori system, where each child is viewed as an exceptional being with distinct needs and capabilities aim to promote holistic development of children. This helps in skill development, emotional growth, body & mind coordination, cognitive development and intellectual understanding. The interactive workshop explained different methods of Montessori teaching that grows the students to become creative and successful global citizens in future.

### Language enhancement

**Resource Person:** Shaina Pahwa, Theatre Coordinator, AIS Noida

**Date:** May 17, 2013

**Brief:** 'Activities as a medium of language development' workshop was organised for the teachers from Amity International Schools Noida, Vasundhara 1 & 6 and Mayur Vihar. The concept of theatre and its benefits in the curriculum were introduced to encourage English language skills. The concepts of reading, dialogue delivery, script narratives etc. were explained at length for bringing efficiency and fluency in English language.



# Perfect teen recipe

What happens when you mix a dash of fun and fashion with a dollop of hard work and responsibility? Well, get set to savour the concoction of the most desirable teen

Anoushka Raj, AIS Mayur Vihar, IX

Ever wondered what is a secret recipe or ingredients that make a perfect teen? If you think that it is a Herculean task, sample this recipe that proves otherwise. Popular for its widely acclaimed sweet yet sour taste, this recipe is one of the few contemporary cuisines gaining acceptance for its trendy and distinct flavours. Go stack the pantry with these essential ingredients and you are all set to cook up that perfect teen that you had always wanted to.

## Ingredients

- Friendliness .....2 cups
- Confidence .....1 jar
- Intelligence .....1 medium bowl
- Fun .....1/2 cup
- Youthfulness .....A generous dose
- Laughter .....2 cups
- Gratitude .....2 tbsp
- Share & care mixture.....1/2 cup
- Goodness of heart & patriotism (blend) ....3 heaps
- Love essence .....6-7 drops
- Ambitions .....Armful
- Accomplishments .....1/2 cup
- Failure .....1/2 cup
- Sorrows .....1 tsp
- Jealousy, peer & parental pressure ..... To taste
- Popularity & fashion essence .....For garnish
- Hard work & perseverance (mixed) .....4 tbsp together and refrigerated for a day)

## Method

- Mix friendliness, fun, youthfulness, laughter and gratitude in a cauldron. Keep it on the fire and stir for at least 15 minutes.
- Take a bowl of intelligence and fold in confidence gently. (Be careful not to be fast, or else spots of narcissism and ego can rise, leaving a bitter taste).
- To this, add some hard work and perseverance. Stir slowly until the paste turns golden. (Don't go by the pungent smell, this is one of the integral parts of the dish). Add the accomplishments and put aside.
- In a separate bowl, put some share & care mixture and whisk in the blended goodness of heart and patriotism. Add drops of love essence. Stir well.
- Add this mixture to the friendliness blend and stir over the fire for 3-5 minutes on a low flame.
- Whisk in the intelligence concoction to the mix. Start stirring and while doing so, gently add failures and sorrows. Be careful not to go overboard with these ingredients, lest bubbles of loneliness and tears of dejection might erupt from the mix.
- Saute some jealousy, parental and peer pressure and add to the mixture in the cauldron. This tempering will offset the otherwise boring and too sweet flavour of the recipe.
- Remove the cauldron from fire and transfer the mixture to a microwave safe bowl.
- Bake the mixture for several years till it acquires right consistency.
- Top it with some popularity and fashion essence. Serve hot or cold. ☺

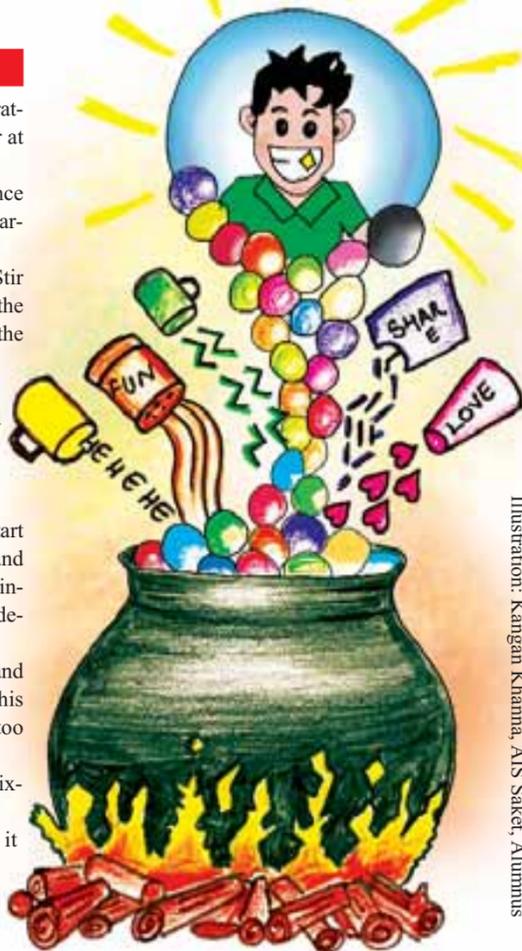


Illustration: Kangan Khanna, AIS Saket, Alumnus

## Bank account



Shubra Sharma, AIS PV, VIII

What exactly is a bank account? Why do people deposit money there? Is it the same as a piggy bank? Can I too have a bank account? All these questions intrigued me everytime my dad used to go to a bank. Luckily, I got a chance to get answers to all my questions. I had received some scholarship and my dad was going to the bank to deposit the money. I convinced him to take me along as I was really curious to know how a bank operates. What I thought to be a complicated procedure, however, turned out to be a matter of few minutes of form filling (done by my dad) and few signatures. I was really thrilled to sign the bank papers knowing that I was soon to have my very own first bank account. The bank official was nice enough to explain me what a bank account is, how money is deposited and how it remains safe there. Though, I still don't understand it all, my first visit to the bank and getting my first bank account was a memorable experience. ☺

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