

HIM JYOTI SCHOOL

Dehradun

A decade of Transformation



A free boarding school for under privileged girls

Board of Governors



Trustees of the Himalayan School Society

Name	Occupation
Shri Sudarshan Agarwal	Former Governor Uttarakhand & Sikkim, Former Secretary General, Raja Sabha, Former Member National Human Rights Commission, Past Director, Rotary International
Shri K. N. Memani	Chartered Accountant, Former CEO, Ernst & Young, Former President, PHD Chamber of Commerce & Industry & Associate Chamber of Commerce, Philanthropist
Shri J. C. Pant, IAS (Retd.)	Former Chairman, Administrative Reforms Commission of the State of Uttarakhand; Former Secretary to Government of India.
Shri Rakesh Oberai	Philanthropist Involved in numerous charitable activities, President, S.D. Kanya Inter College, Former President of M.K.P. College Society and Managing Trustee of Information Technology Institute for the Tribes of India, Jhajra, Dehradun
Shri Prem Bhalla	Businessman, Past District Governor, Rotary International, Social Worker and Author of several books on Indian Cultural values and Social Welfare.
Shri R. K. Saboo	Padma Shree, renowned Industrialist, Past President Rotary International, Past President PHD Chamber of Commerce, involved in various social and cultural activities.
Shri Hemant K. Arora	Chartered Accountant and Past District Governor Rotary International

Members of the Governing Body Himalayan School Society

No.	Name	Designation	Occupation
	Shri Sudarshan Agarwal	Mentor	Former Governor of Uttarakhand and Sikkim
Elected Members			
1.	Shri K. N. Memani	President	Chartered Accountant, Financial Consultant, Philanthropist
2.	Shri Virendra Dayal	Vice President	Former Assistant Secretary General, United Nations, Former Member, NHRC, Philanthropist
3.	Shri Rakesh Oberai	Secretary	Business, Philanthropist
4.	Shri Prem Bhalla	Treasurer	Businessman & former Rotary Governor
5.	Shri R. K. Saboo	Member	Industrialist, Philanthropist
6.	Shri J. C. Pant, IAS (Retd.)	Member	Educationist (Former Secy. To Govt. of India)
7.	Shri Hemant K. Arora	Member	Chartered Accountant & Former Rotary Governor
8.	Smt. Santosh Chanana	Member	Social Activist
9.	Smt. Sangeeta Agarwal	Member	Principal, Trinity College, Dehradun
10.	Shri. Sameer Dhingra	Member	Industrialist
11.	Dr. S. Farooq	Member	Industrialist, Philanthropist
12.	Shri Anurag Sangal	Member	Education Consultant, Chartered Accountant
13.	Dr. Sonal Mansingh, Padma Vibhushan	Member	Renowned Odissi and Bharat atyam Dancer and Guru
14.	Shri Ravindra Nath Khanna	Member	Industrialist, Philanthropist
15.	Shri Anil Chanana	Member	Industrialist, Philanthropist
16.	Dr. Kavita A. Sharma	Member	President, SAARC University, Delhi



Our Chief Guest
Justice Shri R.C. Lahoti

Our distinguished Chief Guest of the day, Justice Shri R C Lahoti, former Chief Justice of India, was the 35th Chief Justice of India, serving from June 1, 2004 to November 1, 2005.

He is a person of great eminence and intellect, a noted jurist, who is known to have delivered many landmark decisions and took controversial stand on issues while holding the supreme office.

A renowned personality in the legal fraternity, Justice R.C. Lahoti has a rich experience of over 40 years in the field of law and justice. He was born on 1st November 1940. A graduate in law and commerce, he started his court career at Guna in Madhya Pradesh. He was appointed an additional judge of the Madhya Pradesh High Court in 1988, becoming the permanent judge the following year. In 1994, Justice Lahoti was transferred to the Delhi High Court, and was elevated to the Supreme Court in February 1998.

Justice Lahoti, is known to be economic with words but from the verdicts he pronounced, he came across as an independent thinker to whom the application of law was uppermost. In his own words, he believes that Dispensation of Justice is an attribute of God.

Since 2013, Justice Lahoti has been serving as the Chairman of National Committee for Promotion of Social and Economic Welfare, appointed by Government of India. Justice Lahoti has immense interest in legal aid services and Alternate Dispute Resolution Systems and Human Rights awareness programmes.

He has been keenly interested in educational reforms and propagating Indian cultural values and traditions. Justice Lahoti is the Founder Member of Rotary Club of Guna, and remained an active Rotarian for 21 years.

We, at Him Jyoti, are fortunate to have him amongst us on this day as his presence is going to inspire the girls towards greater achievements.





Message from the Founder and Mentor
Shri Sudarshan Agarwal
Former Governor, Uttarakhand and Sikkim.

We are celebrating the completion of 10 years of the growth of the Him Jyoti School. I look back to the day when we started the school with 19 girls in a rented building with bunker beds due to paucity of space. We have come a long way since then – all due to the untiring contribution of the teachers and the successive principals. Today we have a ten acre campus with a beautiful school building, sports grounds, hostel, an infirmary, teachers' quarters, principal's residence and a guest house.

I sincerely commend the pioneering efforts of our first principal Ms. Sangeeta Agrawal in giving shape to our dream of a free Boarding School for bright girls from underprivileged families. The School has come a long way since then. We have 273 girls in the school with 52 girls in different colleges including 5 girls in the prestigious Lady Shriram College and two girls in the Asian University for Women in Bangladesh. Another batch of 32 girls is appearing for the class XII examination. These girls will also join colleges this year. I recall when President Kalam asked the girls in 2006 at Raj Bhawan what they wanted to do in life, one girl stepped out and said, Sir, I wish to be a Governor in a State”.

I may not be alive to see that day, but surely, one day, a girl from Him Jyoti could legitimately aspire for a high office. All that these girls lack is an opportunity to unravel their full potential. It is for the civil society and for each one of us to fulfill our social and moral obligation and offer them an opportunity to receive the gift of value based quality education.

I express my gratitude to the corporate houses, a large number of my friends and well wishers and my family who are contributing year after year to keep the Him Jyoti dream alive. My grateful thanks to Shri K N Memani, President, Himalayan School Society for his exceptionally able leadership and to all the office bearers- Shri Rakesh Oberai and Shri Prem Bhalla , Governing Board members, principal Jyoti Dhawan and staff (teaching and non teaching) for their valuable contribution in the vibrant running of the school.

Congratulations to the Editorial Team for “Ujjawala” – the tenth anniversary Souvenir.

Sudarshan Agarwal



Message from the President,
Himalayan School Society
K. N. Memani

I am pleased to learn that the Him Jyoti School, Dehradun is publishing its first ever school souvenir. Coming as it does on the tenth anniversary of the school, it is an important milestone.

The Him Jyoti School has come a long way since its inception in 2005 from a small place and since 2007, in a plot area of approx 10 acres. This has been possible solely due to the vision and passion of the founder and mentor, Shri Sudarshan Agarwal. I have had the privilege of a close association and friendship with Shri Sudarshan Agarwal for the last 36 years, when he was Secretary General of Rajya Sabha and a very active rotarian. The school is a culmination of his lifelong commitment towards the well being of underprivileged girls.

I am pleased that over the last ten years, the school has turned into a model institution of learning in the region. This has been possible through sponsorships and donations from individuals and corporate houses. I am happy that The Him Jyoti Foundation helps in guiding them to their goals in life and helps them financially and otherwise, in pursuing higher studies.

Him Jyoti is a mission; not a job for us. It is very heartening that the school has helped raise successive generations of students who have gone on to fulfill their aspirations and dreams. Their yeoman efforts have had a positive impact on their community and society at large. This is no small achievement and I congratulate all those involved in making this happen.

I am sure this journey of success and efforts would continue with the efforts of the Board of Governors motivated by the vision and passion of Shri Sudarshan Agarwal.



From the Principal's Desk Jyoti Dhawan

"The mind is not a vessel to be filled, but a fire to be kindled." (Plutarch)

...and Him Jyoti kindles this fire in its journey towards excellence defining the life of 273 students. It is my endeavour that the girls are nurtured with academic, cultural and intellectual competencies that empower them to take on the challenges as leaders in a national and global perspective.

The girls spend 8 precious years at Him Jyoti forming a kaleidoscope of events that enables them to see beyond subject boundaries to a holistic understanding of life and of themselves. Him Jyoti is a lesson in responsibility and leadership, about dealing with success and failure, about coping with pressure and discipline. Life here is about academic challenges and shining on the tracks, or excelling in singing, dancing, pottery, debating, theatre, community service... a plethora of activities that they are exposed to- to create a culture of ethical character development and continuous improvement.

With the visible achievements have come the more subtle ones... changes in the way our students talk, think and interact, and in the way they imagine their worlds. The girls dream...they dream big and, who knows, we might have an Abdul Kalam... a Kalpana Chawala... a Sudarshan Agarwal! The challenges are great and so is our girls' conviction to break the glass ceiling! No one aspect of the girls' development would be possible without the single-minded commitment and dedicated care of the co-ordinator Ms Sindhuja Garg, teaching and non teaching staff. We are also constantly encouraged by the members of the local school management - Mr Rakesh Oberai, Mr Prem Bhalla, Mrs. Sangeeta Agrawal.

The fruition of the vision of our founder and mentor, Mr Sudarshan Agarwal in setting up this temple of learning is for all to witness. His mission and values are a beacon of light, guiding our collective passions and aspirations in the sojourn of Him Jyoti. Mr Agarwal has inspired many like minded individuals and businesses who have contributed generously and continue to support the cause of empowering these girls.

It is only fitting that we crystallize the many triumphs and achievements through the years into the first ever school souvenir 'Ujjwala'!



Note from the Editor
Rina Bakshi

The making of this souvenir has been a process within, even though the energies that have gone into the making are not mine alone.

Ujjwala is a creative attempt, displaying the free expression of the blossoming minds of Him Jyotians. It offers an overview of school activities and achievements of the year's commemorative events. Ujjwala also marks the culmination of a decade in Him Jyoti's infinite march towards igniting the dreams and aspirations of young hearts.

I express my heartfelt gratitude to all those who have contributed in the making of this publication. Staff and pupils- present as well as past- have joined hands to make a valuable contribution towards this precious accomplishment. I am grateful to my team- both, the English and the Hindi Department for their dedicated support in giving shape to this endeavour. I hope you will enjoy reading and experiencing this magazine as much as we enjoyed working on it.

Also, a special thanks to our budding editors: Urmila Tamta (Class of 2014), Riddima Gusain, Bhawana Bahuguna (Class of 2015), Mansi Sharma and Vaani Barmola for their relentless efforts in giving form and substance to this work. But, all the efforts would not have fructified without the person, who breathed life into it- our Principal, Mrs. Jyoti Dhawan.



Note from the Head Girl
Ridima Gusain

Golden, was each moment in the past eight years; incredible, was my metamorphosis under the nurturing shelter of this edifice of learning. Each day spent at Him Jyoti has become a memory, distinct but eternal, which I would cherish throughout my life. Each memory confirms in me the belief that Him Jyoti has given meaning to my existence and has shown me the path forward. The festive atmosphere during celebrations, the gripping anxiety and excitement for various competitions and the intense apprehension before the exam. hour- seem to be the cherished moments that no place except Him Jyoti could offer me.

For all the wonderful years of my stay at Him Jyoti, I express my fathomless gratitude to Governor Sir for laying the foundation of this beautiful shrine of learning, where dreams turn into reality. I thank all the teachers and management at Him Jyoti for being the guiding light in the sea of our journey through HJS.

Long live Him Jyoti!!!!





School Song

*God bless Him Jyoti, our beacon bright
Leading us from darkness unto light
Our Alma Mater, our joy and pride
Holding aloft the banner bright
For we are HimJyotians to the core
Forever upward, to the fore!*

Yes, we are HimJyotians...

*An ardent fire's kindled in our souls
To know, to learn, to achieve our goals
Dreams in our heart, horizon in sight
We'll forge ahead with all our might*

*For we are HimJyotians to the core
Forever upward, to the fore!*

Yes, we are HimJyotians...

Him Jyoti Boarding School & Vocational Training Institute for under privileged girls at Dehradun.

While serving as Governor in Uttarakhand Shri Sudarshan Agarwal set up a Boarding School for bright girls from impoverished families of Uttarakhand which is totally free for these girls for their education, food, uniforms, toiletries, hostel stay and all other needs. It costs Rs.60,000/- per year to see each girl through the Boarding School. The School, Hostel building and eight flats for teachers, covering 80,000 sq. ft. are built on a ten acre plot of land. It is amongst the finest school buildings in the schooling capital of the country. This bold experiment – a free boarding school – is supported by compassionate, caring and socially sensitive individuals & Corporates by contributions to the corpus and also by adopting girls till they finish their schooling under the 10+2 CBSE curriculum. Currently there are 273 girls in classes V to XII in a school designed for 280 girls (35 in each of the 8 classes).

Him Jyoti School is not just a school but a training ground for life. The girls handpicked from disadvantaged families from each District of Uttarakhand, based on a competitive entrance examination are getting an opportunity to learn the foremost values of love, trust and truth. Him Jyoti's vision is to nurture the learners to be pluralistic, creative, interdependent and capable citizens with a global outlook.

It is pertinent to note that these girls are daughters of a dhobi, an ayah, a tailor, a driver, a farm labourer, a book binder, a rickshaw puller, a school teacher, an office peon and the like. We are confident that they will grow up to make a difference not only in their own lives and the lives of their families and their villages, but will serve the state and the nation in positions of responsibility.

52 girls have passed out in 3 years after completing their 10 + 2 in the school. These girls have got admission in prestigious colleges in North India. 5 girls are studying at Delhi's Lady Shriram College, 2 in I P College, 16 girls in Govt. Colleges for girls at Chandigarh besides girls in Engineering Colleges, Dental College, B.ed colleges and others. Two girls are in their final year in Asian University for Women, Chittagong (Bangladesh). A batch of 29 girls will pass out from the school this year

We spend nearly Rs.1.75 crores each year on the education of girls in the free boarding school and those in colleges.

One of the school girls – Vineeta Pandey – daughter of a daily wage earner has topped in a Leadership Award Programme beating boys and girls from The Doon School, Welham Girls' School, Dehradun, Vasant Valley School and Shriram School, Delhi. She has been to Brown University; an Ivy League University in USA for a 10 day summer camp.

Three girls and a teacher have been to Victoria College in Belfast, Ireland in September 2012 on an exchange visit. Last year, girls from that school spent two weeks at Him Jyoti School under an exchange program supported by the British Council.

The Society have now embarked on a new project for girls from Uttarakhand. On March 2014, they held the ground breaking ceremony of a new building to set up a Vocational Training Institute for 200 girls from economically weaker sections of society. A philanthropist friend from Delhi, Shri Anil Chanana has contributed Rs. Three crores to set up this Institute. The founder Shri Sudarshan Agarwal and his family are contributing Rs. fifty lakhs for this Institute. The Institute shall have five different vocational courses for these girls so that after their two year study, they are able to make a decent living for themselves and their families.

E&Y is contributing Rs.15 lakhs each year on the education of 30 girls studying in colleges. The Memani family are contributing Rs.21 lakhs each year on the education of 35 girls (one class).

The Society propose to start the courses in the academic year starting in 2015. They are constructing a beautiful building on a 1.25 acre piece of land across the road from the Him Jyoti school building. With support from friends like you, they shall be able to make a difference in the lives of young girls who are not as fortunate as our own children.

**'HIM JYOTI IS DEMONSTRATING TRUE
CARE FOR THE GIRL CHILD'**

Visits of Dignitaries



With Shri Narain Dutt Tiwari Former Chief Minister Uttarakhand and Later Governor, Andhra Pradesh



*Ms. Margret Alva
Governor of Uttarakhand and Rajasthan*



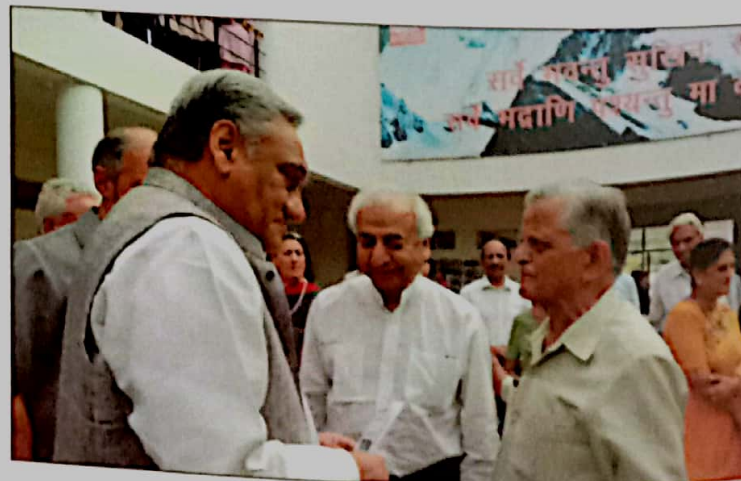
*Dr Aziz Qureshi (2013)
Governor, Uttarakhand*



*Shri. B.L. Joshi (2012)
Governor, Uttarakhand and Uttar Pradesh*



Swami Chidananda Muniji



*Mr. Vijay Bahuguna
Chief Minister Uttarakhand*



*Shri. Bhuvan Chandra Khanduri, M.P.
Former Chief Minister, Uttarakhand*



*Shri. Gurucharan Das
columnist and novelist*



*Dr. Sonal Mansingh
Eminent Indian Classical dancer and choreographer*



ONGC Chairman, D.K. Saraaf with students



Dr. Leila Seth, First woman Chief judge of the Himachal High Court

हिन्दी सप्ताह का आयोजन

हर साल 14 सितम्बर हिन्दी दिवस के रूप में मनाया जाता है। इसी परिपाटी को निभाते हुए हिमज्योति विद्यालय में हिन्दी सप्ताह का आयोजन किया गया। इस उपलक्ष में भिन्न-भिन्न विषयों पर कार्यक्रम प्रस्तुत किए गए। जिनका विवरण इस प्रकार है-

पंचतंत्र की कहानियाँ, हास्य कवि सम्मेलन, तत्काल विचाराभिव्यक्ति, काव्य लेखन, स्वामी विवेकानन्द के भाषण के कुछ अंश प्रस्तुत किए गए। हिन्दी दिवस के दिन प्रार्थना सभा में हिन्दी के महत्त्व पर प्रकाश डाला गया। इस प्रकार हिन्दी सप्ताह का कार्यक्रम सम्पन्न हुआ।

- पहले दिन कार्यक्रम का शुभारम्भ विवेकानन्द जी के भाषण के कुछ अंशों द्वारा किया गया। जिसमें कक्षा 8 से 12वीं की छात्राओं ने भाग लिया। जिसमें एक कक्षा के दो बच्चों के मध्य भाषण प्रतियोगिता हुई। प्रतियोगिता में कक्षा 8 की आकांक्षा गिनवाल, कक्षा 9 की लक्ष्मी बिष्ट, कक्षा 10 की निहारिका बिष्ट तथा कक्षा 11 पूनम गोस्वामी प्रथम रहीं।
- दूसरे दिन विद्यालय के अन्तर्सदनीय प्रतियोगिता के अन्तर्गत 'पंचतंत्र की कहानियों' का मंचन प्रस्तुत किया गया। जिसके परिणाम इस प्रकार हैं-प्रथम स्थान नन्दा देवी सदन को सच्चा मित्र कहानी के मंचन पर प्राप्त हुआ, द्वितीय स्थान पंचचुली सदन को 'अकर्तज्ञ मनुष्य' नामक कहानी के प्रस्तुतीकरण पर प्राप्त हुआ, तृतीय स्थान केदारनाथ सदन ने 'टिकू की बुद्धिमत्ता' नामक कहानी का मंचन सफलता पूर्वक करके प्राप्त किया, चतुर्थ स्थान त्रिशूल सदन ने 'चोर का बलिदान' नामक कहानी की प्रस्तुति पर प्राप्त किया।
- तीसरे दिन हास्य कवि सम्मेलन का आयोजन किया गया। इस प्रतियोगिता में दो-दो कक्षाओं द्वारा प्रस्तुत हास्य कविताओं पर निर्णय लिया गया। जो कि इस प्रकार है-कक्षा 5-6 से नीतू भण्डारी ने 'हनुमान की तन्दुरस्ती' नामक कविता का पाठ प्रस्तुत किया तथा प्रथम स्थान प्राप्त किया, कक्षा 7-8 से अनिता जोशी ने 'मैहगाई' नामक हास्य कविता प्रस्तुत की तथा उसको भी प्रथम स्थान प्राप्त हुआ, कक्षा 9-10 की रितिका कोटलाकोटी ने 'इतिहास की परीक्षा' नामक कविता का पाठ किया तथा प्रथम स्थान प्राप्त किया, कक्षा 11-12 से नीतू कर्णवाल ने 'आराम है हराम' नामक कविता प्रस्तुत की तथा प्रथम रहीं।
- चौथे दिन कक्षा 5 से 12 तक की बालिकाओं ने विभिन्न विषयों पर तत्काल प्रस्तुति दी।
- पाँचवें दिन कविता लेखन का आयोजन किया गया।
- छठें दिन हिन्दी दिवस के उपलक्ष्य में हिंदी भाषा की महत्ता पर प्रकाश डाला गया। इस प्रकार सफलता पूर्वक धूम-धाम से हिंदी सप्ताह और हिंदी दिवस मनाया गया।

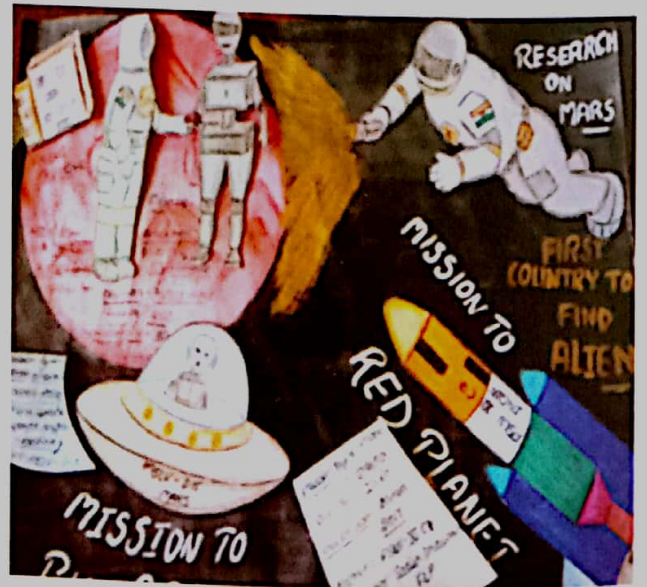
करत-करत अभ्यास के जड़मति होत सुजान

- रिया परिहार कक्षा 10

एक गाँव जोधापुर में रोहनी नाम की लड़की रहती थी। उसे नृत्य करने का अत्यधिक शौक था। वह अपनी सहेलियों के साथ प्रतिदिन नृत्य का अभ्यास करती थी। परन्तु उसके माता-पिता को उसकी यह बात बिल्कुल पसन्द नहीं थी। वह चाहते थे कि उनकी बेटी अफसर बने और माता-पिता की ज़िम्मेदारियाँ संभाले परन्तु रोहनी को और किसी चीज में रुचि नहीं थी। वह चाहती थी कि एक प्रसिद्ध नृत्यांगना बने। वह गाँव के पास ही नृत्य सीखने जाने लगी। गुरु जी ने उसका नृत्य देखकर कहा कि बेटा! तुम बड़ी होकर इस देश का नाम रोशन करोगी।

बहुत जल्दी ही रोहनी को बसंत पंचमी के दिन मंच पर नृत्य करने का अवसर मिला। उसका नृत्य देखकर सबने उसकी प्रशंसा की, परन्तु उसके माता-पिता को यह बात पसंद नहीं आयी। उसके माता-पिता ने उसे घर से निकाल दिया। वह अपने गुरु के घर में रहने लगी और घंटों नृत्य का अभ्यास करती थी। धीरे-धीरे उसने नृत्य में महारथ हासिल कर ली और वह एक प्रसिद्ध नृत्यांगना बन गयी। रोहनी के माता-पिता की आँखों में खुशी के आँसू थे। उन्होंने रोहनी को गले से लगा लिया। अब वह छोटे-छोटे बच्चों को नृत्य सिखाने लगी।

एक दिन जब रोहनी बाज़ार से घर जा रही थी तो वह दुर्घटना की शिकार हो गयी। इस दुर्घटना में उसने अपना दाँया पैर खो दिया। फिर भी रोहनी ने हिम्मत नहीं हारी और नकली पैर लगाकर फिर से नृत्य सीखने लगी। इस तरह वह अपने लक्ष्य को प्राप्त करती है। इस कहानी के द्वारा हमें यह शिक्षा मिलती है कि निरंतर प्रयास करके ही हम अपने लक्ष्य को हासिल कर सकते हैं। अतः मेहनत ही सफलता की कुंजी है।



By: Diksha Negi (Class X)

मन के हारे हार है, मन के जीते जीत

– प्रियंका रावत कक्षा 11

एक बार की बात है, एक लड़का था। वह बहुत मेहनती था, उसका नाम रामू था। उसके छोटे भाई का नाम श्यामू था। परिवार में उसका छोटा भाई श्यामू, उसकी माँ व रामू रहते थे। वह लोग बहुत गरीब थे। उनकी माँ खून-पसीना एक कर उनके लिए पैसे जमा करती और उन्हें पढ़ाती थी। रामू पढ़ाई में अबल था परन्तु श्यामू का मन पढ़ाई में नहीं लगता था। दोनों भाई एक ही विद्यालय में पढ़ते थे। दोनों के बीच में भाईचारा नहीं था। वे दोनों आपस में सदा लड़ते-भिड़ते रहते थे। विद्यालय में उनके सहपाठियों ने भी उन दोनों को बहुत बार समझाया कि दोनों को मिलजुल कर रहना चाहिए। जब यह बात उनकी माँ को पता चली तो उन्हें बहुत निराशा हुई। माँ को दुःखी देखकर दोनों माँ को मनाने लगे। उनकी माँ ने उनसे पूछा, 'तुम दोनों हमेशा लड़ते क्यों रहते हो?' रामू ने माँ को बताता है कि श्यामू मन लगाकर पढ़ाई नहीं करता है और रोज मार खाता है, ये पढ़ने में बिल्कुल अच्छा नहीं है। ये पढ़ने में कमजोर है, इसलिए मैं इसे अपना भाई नहीं मानता, क्योंकि आचार्य जी कहते हैं कि तुम पढ़ने में अच्छे हो पर तुम्हारा भाई ऐसा क्यों है? ये सारी बातें सुन कर माँ को बहुत ठेस पहुँची। वह सोचती है कि ये दोनों ही मेरे बेटे हैं, फिर भगवान ने ऐसा भेद क्यों किया कि एक बेटे को विद्वान बनाया और दूसरे को मूर्ख। उस रात माँ दोनों बेटों को सुलाकर खुद गहरी सोच में पड़ जाती है और मन ही मन ठान लेती है कि मुझे अंदर से मजबूत बनना होगा और अपने बेटे के मन में आशा जगानी होगी।

दूसरे दिन देखती है कि रामू तो खुशी-खुशी विद्यालय के लिए तैयार हो रहा है, किन्तु श्यामू एक कोने में चुप-चाप बैठा है। माँ श्यामू से तैयार होने को कहती है तो श्यामू माँ से पूछता है जब मैं पढ़ने में अच्छा ही नहीं हूँ तो मैं विद्यालय जाकर क्या करूँगा? माँ रामू को विद्यालय भेज देती है। श्यामू उस दिन माँ के साथ घर पर ही रहता है। माँ रामू के जाने के बाद श्यामू को प्यार से समझाती है कि बेटा तुम निराश होकर मत बैठो, अपने मन में आशा रखो। अगर मन में आशा हो तो सामान्य परिस्थितियों में भी आगे जाने का खुद बन जाता है। अगर मन में निराशा हो तो बढ़ते हुए कदम भी रुक जाते हैं। मेहनत करो सफलता अपने आप तुम्हारे कदम चूमेगी। माँ की बात सुनकर श्यामू ठान लेता है कि आज से मैं मेहनत करूँगा। अब श्यामू अपना समय व्यर्थ व्यतीत नहीं करता था, हमेशा ध्यान लगाकर पढ़ाई करता था। आखिर परीक्षा की घड़ी आ ही गयी। इस समय श्यामू के अंक रामू से अधिक आये। श्यामू की खुशी ठिकाना नहीं था। माँ को बहुत खुशी हुई, लेकिन

उसे रामू के लिए बुरा भी लग रहा था। उसने रामू को समझाया कि निराश नहीं होते। माँ की बात दोनों भाइयों के दिमाग में अच्छी तरह बैठ गयी। अब दोनों ही भाई मन लगाकर पढ़ रहे थे। साल के अन्त में जब दोनों का परीक्षाफल आया तो दोनों ने ही अपनी-अपनी कक्षा में प्रथम स्थान प्राप्त किया था। यह सुनकर माँ प्रसन्नता से फूली न समाई और दोनों भाइयों को गले से लगा लिया। माँ को लगा कि अब उसकी मेहनत सफल हुई है, क्योंकि उसके दोनों बेटे सफलता की राह पर चल रहे थे।

इसीलिए --

जीवन के क्षेत्र में वही लोग विजयी होते हैं, जो अपनी जीत के प्रति आशान्वित होते हैं।

सफलता उसी के चरण चूमती है जो निरंतर प्रयास करते रहते हैं।

विचारकों ने ठीक ही कहा है कि मन के हारे हार है, मन के जीते जीत।



By: Sanjita Samaddar (Class XI)

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EXPRESSIONS

War of the Words-the prize winning debates of our eloquent and forceful speakers...

India Shining -A Utopian Dream

by Garima Shahi, Class XI

India shining!! Is India shining? Is India really shining for those who live on the pavements? For those who have no clothes on their backs? For those teeming millions who struggle for onesquare meal? This is the time to pull the wool away from your eyes...India is a country where some people get BMWs for their birthday while some don't even know when they were born and why they are living? From being a progressive, golden bird to being a corrupt, underdeveloped nation, India stands humbled and labelled as a backward economic and political entity!

India is the country of the richest as well as the poorest. It is home to the Ambanis, Birlas, Tatas and Mittals. What about the larger section of the society residing in the slums, pulling rickshaws eking out their living by leasing out their lungs and many-many others who are uncertain about getting their next meal?

Not far from an elite school –not even 500metres are the slums of Bindal in the Doon Valley. When does India plan to shine in these slums? When will we see benevolence shower its golden rayson this India?

“Yatra Naari Pujyante Ramante Tatra Devata”... God resides in the place where women are worshipped. Just a few days ago, during the Navratras, Maa Durga was worshipped in her various forms and in the upcoming festival of Diwali, Lakshmi Maa will be worshipped again...The paradox lies in the fact, that in this very land,

a girl child is killed even before she is born, is raped at school and at even home. The All India Sex Ratio is 927 females per thousand males which puts the country right at the bottom of the global chart. Is this what India shining means?

Yes, we are spreading networks of railways and metros, but kindly spare a look at the hill states, where students walk dozens of kilometres to reach their school and women walk miles balancing earthen pots of water on their heads, the flicker of kerosene lamps in the dark is the only glimmer of light, belying this sentimental and meaningless slogan- India Shining! So dear Indians, quit this chest thumping and introspect in the Light of Truth. I wonder if this parody will touch a chord...

Where the mind is fearful and the head hangs down in shame,

Where knowledge is for sale,

Where the country has been broken up into fragments

By narrow domestic walls,

Where tireless striving stretches its arms

Towards the unreachable,

Where the clear stream of reason has lost its way

Into the dreary desert

Sands of dead habit...

India shining is nothing but an alluring phantasm, a utopian dream....With this I rest my case.

Social Networking is a Toxic Influence

by Ridima Gusain, Class XII

The quaint scenes of the village elders under a banyan tree, the women at the village wells, the children playing on the fringes, the town squares with their buzzing coffee shops and overflowing parks were the real scenes of social interaction, till the advent of the lethal catalyst of social networking sites, completely obliterated this reality.

Many of you might say social networking sites have brought the world together but is it really so?! No!!! Not

at all! These sites have led to social isolation pushing the world further apart. The more we are in touch with the rest of the world, the less we are in touch with the people around us who really matter!!At any event we find people busy updating their profiles rather than actually soaking in and enjoying the moment.

This social platform of social networking has led to numerous anti-social consequences; leaving us vulnerable to online bullying, fake accounts,

kidnapping, phishing, countless financial frauds, breaching of privacy and various other cyber crimes.

Let's get this straight my friends! Social networking sites were created to make money first and foremost and not to improve peoples' lives or as a social welfare sop. These websites use networks of online friends to accumulate data about people for the purpose of advertisements. It is a veiled marketing gimmick for making money.

These networking sites have gone viral and have changed the way we interact with each other. The classic scene was when I visited a friend's home and saw all four on the dining table animatedly involved not with each other but on their mobiles, responding to Whatsapp, Instagram, Facebook and Twitter. We have widened the web of our relationships at the cost of their depth.

Many adults suffer from obsessive attachment to Facebook- it's toxic and destructive and people feel that they must be constantly online or they will miss out on

something "important". Social networking sites raise a big question of security! I would like to remind my opponents that there have been numerable cases where deeply personal, financial and professional information has been craftily extracted making one vulnerable to blackmail, cyber bullying, sexual abuse and financial fraud.

My dear friends, social networking sites result in the disruption of family relationships leading to despair, depression, paranoia and alienation. The silent presence of cyber space has stealthily crept into our youth and the society.

Unless we raise the alarm and do something about it now, the psychological and the sociological impact of these sites will be irretrievable and prove fatal to the individual in particular and communities at large.

So friends, reclaim your lives, Disconnect to Connect.

Leaders Are Born, Not Made

by Bhawana Bahuguna, Class XII

Angel Gabriel told Mary she would have a son who would be the son of God! A great leader was born in Bethlehem who is followed by millions of Christians around the world. The divine intervention against the evil rule of Kansa came on a stormy night in a jail - a great leader was born in Mathura. Another baby was born in Mecca who went on to influence and lead millions too. To this date the advent of the next Buddhist leader, the Dalai Lama is prophesised! People who insist that leaders can be made are probably too enamoured by the large scale factory made sterile goods that they talk of leaders being made!!

Leaders are born not created- an artist, a singer, a dancer, a king or a queen is BORN AS THE CHOSEN ONE. Great leaders are simply born with the requisite, inherent and inborn traits that make them natural born leaders. It is a quality that divulges itself from a very early age. The famous great man theories vouch that it is the inherent qualities and traits that make some suited to leadership qualities.

Friends, may I remind you of the queen bee, the lion- undisputed king of the jungle and of course, man at the top of the food chain, are they born or made? Probably the IITs of the animal kingdom are not booming the way they are in man's world who churn out managers year after year- please note, I said managers not leaders.

The great emperor Akbar never had any formal upbringing nor did he ever attend school yet he proved to be one of ablest emperors from the age of 13. Marcus Buckingham in his book 'One thing you need to know about great managing, great leading and sustained individual success' wrote that a leader is not made because of two inborn traits: optimism and self assurance.

Inherent traits and genes matter! If we could really make great leaders then we would have thousands of clones of Leonardo da Vinci, Mozart, Lata Mangeshkar and Einstein. Great leaders are not made in a laboratory- they are born from something they have deep inside them- A desire! A dream! A vision!! They have to have the skill and will- the will must be stronger than the skill.

What really makes a leader is his or her leadership quality- the ability to stand up and take the lead while others follow. They reveal quite early on in life that they can be your class presidents, team captains, club leaders or they can be that shy boy who is a genius at playing the violin or that girl who stammers but paints like an angel; or an unassuming man who is thrown out of the first class compartment and who leads a nation to independence with non-violence!

Parents Should Play a Decisive Role in Planning Their Child's Future

by Urmila Tamta, Class of 2014

Our parents bring us into this beautiful world and deserve our love, respect and honour and that is what I would expect from my children. Won't you? Even if you don't agree with them on some issues you owe your parents the gift of your life, for the nurturing, the attention, the love and affection that they showered on you all their lives.

Parents spend tireless nights tending to the needs of the child when he is unwell. They instantly know their child's feelings, wishes and desires in their gut. Each time you get hurt, the intensity of their pain is fathomless, day and night they pray for your success and well being. Can a child ever repay their parents for the trauma of giving birth and the pains of child rearing?

They sacrifice their desires and wants for you; they walk by you, ready to protect you in the circle of their arms. But we cast them in the background when it is time for decision making? Then it's 'my life'... I know what's best for me! Is it fair? I ask you – is it fair?

Parents are the architects, the conductors of child's development. They instil the qualities of a balanced behaviour and shape your personality. Let me recall the undeniable role of Rajmata Jijabai in the life of Chattrapati Shivaji who went on to become a legend under the able guidance of his indomitable mother. And so might you be, my friends, LEGENDS if you let your parents decide for you.

Always remember they are the only ones who love you unconditionally.

Women Empowerment in India is an Illusion

by Swati Chauhan, Class XI

Sita and Draupadi... One discarded by her husband the other just a pawn in the game of dice; dragged and shamelessly dishonoured in the royal court in front of her five husbands. From those ancient times till now women are commodified, materialized and subjected to inhuman exploitation and discrimination....is this not a moral bankruptcy of empowerment? Do we intend to forget Nirbhaya by any speck of chance?

It puzzles me that even after so much development, we, as a nation haven't reached that level of empowerment where women can stroll the lanes fearlessly. And conditions within their own homes are disheartening ...they suffer innumerable indignities perpetrated by the brother, by the father, by the restraints of societal behaviour. They are stripped off basic human rights be it freedom of speech or the freedom of independent thinking. Empowerment for women in India is nothing but a far cry from reality.

No woman, be it from rural or urban areas, has escaped the clutches of gender discrimination, misery, ignorance, poverty and slavery. People around the world are flashing the mirage of blazing achievements of women in the dreary desert sand of utter discrimination. We talk of 33% of seats for women in Parliament! In a

country boasting of women empowerment, I ask you, are reservations required? It's because we have realized the hard, real truth that women are powerless, that we now stipulate that they do need empowerment through reservation.

Today a woman faces restrictions about various decisions regarding her job, her clothes and where she goes. The society gives them wings to soar heights in a mere cage?!...Shackling them by male dominance. Somewhere a young woman's heart silently screams:

You promised me skies,

And shackled my roots;

You promised me heights,

But conspired my fall;

Till we have laws that hold, a police force that protects, till each woman has the right to learn, to earn, to fly... I believe women empowerment will remain a meaningless oxymoron and an illusion.

A GALAXY OF POEMS

Take a flight into the mesmerising, starry web of words woven by our budding poets.

Impossible is Nothing

by Anamta Fatama, Class XII

Victories - defeats, success - failures, happiness - sorrow,
Are a part and parcel of our lives,
These are the bitter-sweet truths to be accepted, to survive.

We are the cause of our sorrows,
And happiness is nothing but our choice.

Troubles will not trouble you

If you can dream to dream,

Win over your fear of failures;

And let them teach you lessons,

Be resilient and always remember,

Life is full of opposites,

Let them not become hurdles,

Instead be a ladder to your growth...

Just as birth and death,

Success and failure are merely life's passages,

Let excellence be your goal in all conditions, thoughts and deeds,

Why get disheartened when there's no need!

There's nothing unattainable,

Move ahead

Pursue your dream

And never look back!

My Life

by Akansha Sharma, Class IX

My life was like a vehicle

Stranded, without a wheel

Then came a person

Who filled it with love

A candle illuminating

Instilling hope and faith in me

Taught me to live without fear

Because He would always be there by my side.

Get Started

by Gunjan Pal, Class VI

In the morning

The birds sing,

The flowers bloom,

On the flowers, the bees buzz

All beings bask under the shining sun,

And the children play and run.

Work is the task of the day,

Get started and don't waste your day.

My Saviour

by Yasmeen Parveen, Class XII

Have you ever thought who a mother is?

She is a blanket, which keeps us warm,

One who provides us comfort in every difficulty?

Who listens to us patiently and brings the best out of us,

Who stands by us at every turn of life, to guide?

Who has a pulsating heart that cares for us,

A light in her eyes that admires us,

And a strong hand to hold us

She like a shadow does not leave us

She inspires us to learn from our errors,

And spurs us to move ahead,

With strength of character and faith in oneself;

Look! What a selfless creation

I humbly bow in deep reverence.

Thank You for Being There

by Vaani Barmola, Class XI

The words that my lips utter

Seldom carry the potential

To display to you

The crescendo of emotions

That floods the corridors of my mind,

Lingering with a delicate smile

An uplifting fragrance

Of my intense love for your sisterly presence.

My heart swells with gratitude

And mourns with regret;

It is sorry to have hurt you,

And is thankful for your support;

I admire the patience, compassion and talent in you.

My heart is drenched in the story of care, adoration and gratefulness,

Waiting to herald you;

What a charismatic messenger!

The river of magnanimity, goodwill and innocence that you are,

Have cured all my ailments with just a gentle splash;

For the countless efforts you have done,

With which my heart you have won,

For your benign presence in my universe;

My head bows in deep affirmative reception.

THANK YOU, for adding colour and vibrancy to my existence;

Indeed

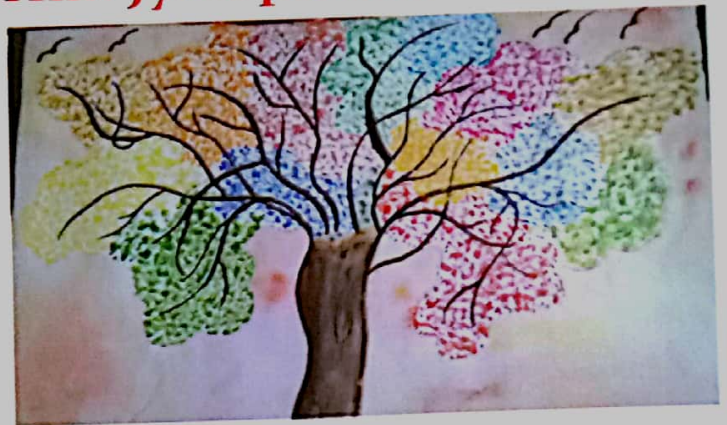
Like the first rays of the daybreak

You shone long enough for me to cherish the effect forever.

CANVAS... from the Him Jyoti palette



By: Lakshita Tripathi (Class X)



By: Vandana Nagarkoti (Class XI)



By: Krishna Bhandari (Class VIII)



By: Gayatri Negi (Class XI)



By: Gulshan Jahan (Class X)



By: Sanjita Samaddar (Class XI)



By: Preeti Gunwal (Class XII)



By: Monica Goswami (Class IX)



By: Monika Nauriyal (Class of 2014)



By: Seema Thapa (Class XI)

Pictures of Classes & Staff at School

Class - V



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Class - VIII



Front Row (Sitting L to R)- Ms. Nupur Bisht, Ms. Dimple Tiwari, Ms. Pallavi Gairola, Ms. Sindhuja Garg, Ms. Usha Rawat(Class Teacher), Principal Jyoti Dhawan, Mr. Dinesh Rawat(Co-Class Teacher), Ms. Preeti Bisht, Ms.Pragya Sharma, Ms. Saavi Suri, Ms. Anita Tripathi First Row (Standing L to R) Simran Kumari Singh, Kriti Brijwal, Anita Joshi, Shreya Gurung, Neha Rautela, Preeti Gaur, Harshita Rawat, Kanika Bisht, Sonia Rawat, Akanksha Ginwal, NIMisha Mehra Standing Row2(L to R)- Dilasa Thapa, Kamini Chauhan, Mori Sarkar, Akanksha Negi, Anjali Nautiyal, Garima Joshi, Kajol Arora, Anushka Shah, Rashmi Rawat, Harshita Bisht, Ritika Balodi, Shikha Rawat Third Row (Standing L to R)- Ankita Semwal, Savita Arya, Sunita Doriyal, Jyoti Kanwal, Kanchan Negi, Swati Saxena, Preeti Arya, Nisha Barthwal, Sapna Mandal, Neha Dhami, Shalini Rautela, Krishna Bhandari

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Class - IX



Front Row (Sitting L to R)- Ms.Reena Bakshi, Ms. Usha Rawat, Ms. Dimple Tiwari, Ms. Pallavi Gairola, Ms. Sindhuja Garg, Ms. Rajni Bala Negi(Co-Class Teacher), Principal Jyoti Dhawan, Ms. Nupur Bisht(Class Teacher), Ms. Preeti Bisht, Ms.Pragya Sharma, Ms. Saavi Suri, Ms. Anita Tripathi First Row (Standing L to R) Neelam Rawat, Manisha Rawat, Roshnee Pradhan, Tanuja Thuwal, Lakshmi Bisht, Mitali Joshi, Shikha Thapa, Shanti Bisht, Swati Singh, Ganga Rani Nautiyal Second Row (Standing L to R)- Mahima Rautela, Anjali Panwar, Vishakha Bhandari, Lalita Lodhiyal, Kunjang Choden Sherpa, Ambika Thakur, Manisha Arya, Sakshi Gupta, Suman Kumari, Sarika Negi, Bhawana Joshi, Sheetal Kohli Third Row (Standing L to R)- Seema Dhondiyal, Babita Arya, Khushboo Bisht, Priyakshi Aithani, Akanksha Sharma, Himanshi Rana, Priyanshi Rawat, Bhawana Joshi, Preeti Arya, Monika Goswami

Class - X



Front Row (Sitting L to R)- Ms.Rajni Bala Negi, Ms. Usha Rawat, Ms. Anita Tripathi, Ms. Nupur Bisht, Ms. Sindhuja Garg, Ms. Preeti Bisht(Class Teacher), Principal Jyoti Dhawan, Ms. Jyoti Nigam(Co-Class Teacher), Ms. Reena Bakshi, Ms. Pragya Sharma, Ms. Saavi Suri, Ms. Pallavi Gairola First Row (Standing L to R) Ms. Dimple Tiwari, Deepika Ramola, Niharika Bisht, Hemlata Nayal, Shaina Joshi, Gulshan Jahan Ansari, Divya Mehta, Aarti Semwal, Sarita, Diksha Negi, Swati Kainthura, Radha Bisht, Rashmi Negi Standing Row2(L to R)- Madhuri Upadhaya, Ekta Sharma, Neha Bisht, Shreya Gairola, Nutan Lepcha, Monika Bisht, Priya Verma, Joshila Rai, Suvritika Negi, Riya Parihar, Akansha Upreti, Preeti Dangwal Third Row (Standing L to R)- Ayushi Arora, Poonam Rawat, Lakshita Tripathi, Aanchal Chauhan, Meenu Rana, Kiran Ranghar, Sonali Dhek, Khushboo Kotal, Pooja Singh

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Class - XI



Front Row (Sitting L to R)- Ms.Rajni Bala Negi, Ms. Anita Tripathi, Ms. Nupur Bisht, Ms. Sindhuja Garg, Ms.Saavi Suri(Class teacher), Principal Jyoti Dhawan, Ms. Reena Bakshi(Co- Class Teacher),Ms. Jyoti Nigam, Ms. Pragya Sharma, Ms. Preeti Bisht
 First Row (Standing L to R) Vaani Barmola, Ankita Bhatt, Poonam Goswami, Sabina Subba, Sakshi Maithani, Reena Arora, Garima Athak, Meenakshi Negi, Anupriya Pal, Seema Thapa, Ranjana Pandey, Vandana Gaur
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Class - XII



Front Row (Sitting L to R) Ms.Rajni Bala Negi, Ms. Pragya Sharma, Ms. Nupur Bisht, Ms. Reena Bakshi, Ms. Anita Tripathi, (Class Teacher), Principal Jyoti Dhawan, Ms. Sindhuja Garg, (Co- Class Teacher), Ms. Jyoti Nigam, Ms. Saavi Suri, Ms. Preeti Bisht
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Him Jyoti Vocational Training Institute

Encouraged by the singular success of the School, the Society will now establish a Vocational Training Institute, whereby select girls from economically weaker sections of society will get the opportunity to learn vocational skills – training that will directly lead to employment, careers and thus, empowerment.

The Institute will begin with 100 girls – five courses with 20 trainees each, for a two year programme, beginning April 2015. This will be a world class vocational training facility that will enable young women in Uttarakhand to take a crucial step forward in their lives.

The project will be supported by the Socially Conscious Individuals & Public and Private sector Companies.

The Bhumi Poojan of what will be the Institute was conducted in March 2014, and the project flagged off by a commitment of Rupees three crore by Shri Anil Chanana, and Rupees fifty lakh by Smt and Shri Sudarshan Agarwal.

On March 4, 2014 we performed the Bhumi Pujan of a new building to set up the Vocational Training Institute for 200 girls from economically weaker sections of society. We shall have five different vocational courses for these girls so that after their two year study, they are able to make a decent living for themselves and their families. The courses are:

- Apparel Sector (Fashion Technology/ Dress Making)-2 years duration.
- Architecture Draughtsman ship-2 years duration.
- Computer Operator & Programming-1/2 year's duration.
- Hotel Management-2 year's duration.
- Travel & Tour assistant-1/2 year's duration.

We propose to start the courses in the academic year starting in July/August 2015. We have planned a beautiful building on a 1.25 acre piece of land across the road from the Him Jyoti school building. With support from friends like you, we shall be able to make a difference in the lives of young girls who are not as fortunate as our own children.

"Vocational education programs have made a real difference in the lives of countless young people nationwide; they build self-confidence and leadership skills by allowing students to utilize their unique gifts and talents".



Vocational Training Institute under construction

"You can chain me, you can torture me, you can even destroy this body, but you will never imprison my mind."
— Mahatma Gandhi



Letter by a student to the Mentor Shri Sudarshan Agarwal

Hope all is well at your end. It feels so fortunate to be able to write to you and tell how happy I am today. Today I so well understand the happiness of seeing our cherished dreams come alive. And who can understand that better than your sir! I am preparing to leave for Bangladesh. This letter isn't just a piece of writing but my heart; thanking you and revealing the good changes in my life you've brought.

I'd never even thought in dreams that I'd go to Asian University for Women for my higher studies. An opportunity like this; for a girl like me, can only come when a person like you is by her side, weaving her dreams with his own thread. Thank you so much sir for touching my life and giving a chance to my family to be able to feel proud of me.

Great men have rightly said we don't have to look for THEE in exquisite places; he is always around us in guises of men.

Sir, I am not going there alone (of course Nivedita has also got this golden opportunity) I am carrying along with me a whole lot of things to keep pushing me forward; your dreams; my teachers' expectation; pride of my school; hopes of my family and hopes of all well wishers; my village; my town; my land and now my country!

Sir, the flight of all of our dreams has taken its take off! The time to fly has arrived! Please give my your blessings to start.

Shalini

20th July 2012

It is possible to reform a person not by ridicule but by giving him an opportunity to think afresh and change himself. This is what HJS has taught me. Meeting people in life is just for a few days or years or maybe for a few seconds. They come to life for a short period but bring a drastic change in our life that always remains with us for long. HJS taught me that, "Life is beautiful and one should live it to the fullest by learning something out of it". Purposeless people have nothing to do with life but a determined heart, a purposeful living just takes you to the dreamworld of your imagination suggesting that soon it is going to turn into reality.

— Sapna Arya

My journey at HJS was the best journey I could have ever taken in my whole lifetime. From stepping into HJS not only my dreams got the platform but also I learnt how to live a life. HJS altered me to a confident, courageous, diligent & jovial person. Now it is time for all of us to fly on our own venturing the new possibilities in life. HJS is full of opportunities and variety of activities besides studies that nurture a student in all ways. I want to convey a message to my juniors. Always aim high and always achieve the best in life as this is what HJS has molded us for. This is the time when you have to cultivate and fertilize your intellectual faculties, make them rational and analytical and versatility to your overall personality and imbibe in yourself noble values as well as an unflinching determination to excel in your future lives. Life would become a lot more easy going and peaceful if we avoid complicating it by not making the wrong choices. The life ahead has many things in store for you—success, prosperity, happiness, satisfaction and lot of knowledge. "Aim for success not perfection. Never give your right to be wrong because then you will lose the ability to learn new things and move forward with your life. Remember that fear always lurks behind perfectionism".

— Hema Mehta

"Thanks to the eyes, that saw this dream, a place for girls to flourish. We are the ones who will scatter the seeds of change in the world." — Shalini Rahi, Class of 2012

"There are many changes that can happen in a person's life. The important event that changed my life in various ways was coming to HJS ...Him Jyoti nurtured all that was nascent in me and transformed my life" — Anjali Rawat, Class of 2012

Not every person is privileged to have sustaining life changing support the way I have had from Him Jyoti School and Management. I have no words to express my gratitude to Sir whose vision made me the person I am today. — Manisha Chauhan, Class of 2013

From a sapling to a tree, under the guidance of caring stewardship in this sacred altar of learning, has been a joyous journey! — Anamta Fatma, Class of 2015

Activities at School

