

**FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK*****"Wander Often, Wonder Always"***

Khoj was an experience where the students learned about themselves, how to face fears and challenges, tried new things, pushed their boundaries a little further as they stepped out of their cozy shells cocooned by their parents. They discovered themselves and explored new opportunities which developed their self-confidence and independence. This eventful evening followed by the much-awaited Night Camp at Delhi Public School, Patna, commenced on 25th and continued till the morning of 26th November, 2023. It was a specially crafted programme designed for the young DIPSITES of class V, to come together, have fun and learn lifelong lessons. This year's theme was based on Kathputli, the string puppet form of theatre art. With great music, dance and presentations, it was a well-executed night camp. The ambience was filled with a unique, traditional and dynamic art form of India hailing from the state of Rajasthan. Our country has a long heritage of theatre and local arts and Kathputli shows have been an integral part of our culture which now needs revival.

This camp gave the children a chance to take risks and face challenges, it helped them to build their independence, resilience, and self-esteem in a safe, supervised and supportive environment. They received ample opportunities to showcase their talents and also appreciate the togetherness of their friends and teachers. They were enriched with innumerable cherishable memories for their life.

No wonder that it captivated and thrilled the children. They had an evening filled with fun, frolic and learning and at the same time made memories to treasure forever.

"None of us, including me ever do great things. But we can all do small things, with great love, and together we can do something wonderful" Mother Teresa.
Editor

"BOL RI KATHPUTLI BOL" ...PADHARO MHARE DESH!

***"EDUCATION IS A SOCIAL PROCESS; EDUCATION IS GROWTH; EDUCATION IS NOT PREPARATION FOR LIFE BUT IS LIFE ITSELF."* – JOHN DEWEY**

The earth reveals its innocence through the smiles of children. The sweetest period of anyone's life is their childhood. The children were excited to learn about the concepts of our age old rich cultural heritage. The ambience of the school campus was based on the dying Puppetry art which needs to be revived. The swaying movements of bright, magical puppets enthralled and overjoyed the little DIPSITES. No stone was left unturned to make the night-stay in school a grand success. The meticulous efforts of the janitors in making the students relaxed, could not be ignored. It was a wonderful sight to see bright faces of the children who were enjoying the night, the arrangements and the vibrant theme to the fullest. Children were overwhelmed to witness this whole new experience. It was the much-needed change for children to have fun and experience and a cheerful day. They could relax and learn at the same time. The Night Camp commenced with the arrival and registration of students followed by a captivating Assembly. Special treat of the day was Birthday celebration of Yash Narayan. Thereafter the students relished mouth-watering eateries and their favourite snacks. Fun And Frolic Holistic Activities which were thoughtfully designed made the experience most memorable for the students. Movie Show- 'We can be Heroes'; This night camp movie was watched by the students post dinner. They were fully engrossed in watching their favourite movie which was followed by yet another rejuvenating experience of Bonfire-Camp Champs. Thereafter, they tapped to the beats of tuneful music and had a great time. To conclude the day, each one wished 'Goodnight' and drifted into their dream world. The next day began with some rejuvenating activities which invigorated them for the upcoming day. The students gathered for the assembly, where they shared their experience of the night camp. This was followed by bidding farewell for the day.

**LIFE'S LIKE THAT**

Your Direction is more important than Speed. A lot of people are going nowhere fast. Stop being afraid of what could go wrong? And start being excited!
B. Vinod, Principal

The best memories of our lives can never be expressed in words. They are cherished forever in our hearts so, snatch, seize and enjoy every moment of the time you have. **Namrata Prasad, Headmistress**

The most precious thing in this world is the smile on the face of the child.
Chetna Jha, Head student & Teacher Life

Children enjoyed the day with exciting and adventurous games filled with laughter, love and boundless joy.

Amrita Choudhary- CR Class V

Night camp was a fun experience for children. It built resilience, fostered independence and encouraged creativity.

Priyanka Sen Gupta- CCR Class V

GAMES @ DELHI PUBLIC SCHOOL/KHOJ

"The best things in life are the people we love, the adventures we have, and our dreams we share and try to fulfill"

The primary purpose of all night camps is educational, athletic, or cultural development. Khoj at Delhi Public School Patna provided an environment which allowed children to learn new skills in a safe and nurturing environment. Camp experience had a lasting psychological impact on the development of a children. Interesting indoor and outdoor activities were organised. For The high-spirited grade five students They attained a holistic experience with rejuvenation of soul by connecting their energy to reveal their true sense to a feeling of real well-being.

1. Children were filled with fun as they got engaged in the 'HIGH FIVE' activity which was conducted in their rooms.

Students drew their hand impression on paper and wrote names of 5 roommates and wrote adjectives for them on the palm drawn. This helped in building relationships and bonding.

2. They thoroughly enjoyed the popular game -Pass the Message 'CHINESE WHISPER'. Pass This Message Exchanging game was another interesting game which involved whispering. It was as fun filled as it sounds and focused on enhancing a child's listening skill. The child whispered a sentence into the ear of the second player sitting on their left. The second player then passed the same message to the next player. This same practice was repeated until the last player in the group received the message. The fun part is to see how much the message or phrase had changed by the time it reached the last player.

3. Laughing not allowed -Players who would laugh would lose the game. This game challenged their self-control, how much they can resist laughter and the master who controlled his laugh in this game was declared as the winner.

OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES

1. Name of the activity- Freeze Dance -Children danced their heart out to the music which was paused at intervals, and the children had to freeze. The child who moved would be declared out. Children expressed their zeal and enthusiasm in playing this game and the winner received goodies.

2. Hopscotch - Hands and Feet - Children played this game individually, they had to keep their feet at feet's picture and their hand on the hand's picture as they moved forward. They enjoyed thoroughly while they struggled through their moves over the hopscotch.

3. Feed the glass - Some disposable glasses were kept on the table of the stall. Each child threw the ball in the glass. If the child was able to do so he would be the winner and get a gift.

4. Treasure Hunt-Gift packs were hidden at different locations in the plaza. The room (the students) which collected the maximum number of gifts was announced as the winner.

"Life is a song-sing it. Life is a game-play it. Life is a challenge-meet it. Life is a dream-realize it. Life is a sacrifice-offer it. Life is love-enjoy it."

1. JUMP ROPE SONGS

Materials required: Skipping ropes, two or three poems written on a sheet of paper.



Memories.....

It was a much-awaited activity of ours which we enjoyed thoroughly.

- Aashvi Pratap V D

I had a great time with my friends under the guidance of my teachers.

- Shambhavi V C

It was like dream come true for me. We played many interesting games. It was a lifetime experience for me.

- Priyam V C

I relished the mouth-watering dishes and enjoyed the Games with friends and teachers.

- Vidya V H

It was an unforgettable night. I really liked the theme and the vibrant costumes and turbans worn by the students and teachers.

- Aashna Palak V I