

APEEJAY SCHOOL

HALDIA

Annual Report

2023-24

"Learning gives creativity, creativity leads to thinking, thinking provides knowledge and knowledge makes you great".

Dear Parents, Students, and Teachers,

As we approach the flag end of this year and 2 years of our service towards providing quality education, we thank the Almighty God for his abundant blessings. Two years have passed, since this temple of knowledge has sprouted. We hope that our students will continue to sparkle due to the human values and the structured learning they received from the school. Let me now share the yearly updates of our activities. We assure you that we did our best to achieve the planned goals, and we are proud of our students and teachers who made every effort to achieve them beyond expectations.

Apeejay School Haldia, a CBSE School from Nursery to grade 8 that is commenced in the year 2020, and is the biggest dream school that is to expand over 10 acres in next 6 to 8 years to make it the best school in the country. International practices are going to be implemented, 21st century technology programs will be implemented, competitive exam coaching will be implemented and all-round development of the students will be undertaken in an extremely safe, secure and modern campus.

As we embark on another exciting school year at Apeejay School Haldia, I am thrilled to share with you some of the unique aspects of our educational approach that make our institution stand out as a centre of academic excellence and holistic development.

This report is comprised of the achievements made during the year gone by and at the same time set the path for greater accomplishments in the years to come.

Academics-

At Apeejay School Haldia, we redefine academic excellence, propelling young minds to reach extraordinary heights! Step into a world where learning is an exhilarating adventure, and knowledge knows no bounds.

We have a curriculum that seamlessly blends tradition with innovation, honing critical thinking and creativity. Our dynamic team of educators, handpicked for their passion and expertise, kindle a love for learning, making each class a captivating experience.

With cutting-edge technology and AI-infused lessons, our students become digital pioneers, equipped for a future that's constantly evolving. From coding to robotics, we empower them to embrace the digital realm fearlessly.

In the nurturing embrace of our Mother-Teacher concept (Nursery to Class 2), young hearts blossom, nurtured with tender care and personalized attention. Our teachers don the hats of mentors, fostering curiosity, and igniting the spark of wonder.

Witness the magic of hands-on learning in our fully-equipped Composite Lab. Biology, Chemistry, and Physics come alive as students explore the marvels of science. From thrilling experiments to ground-breaking discoveries, our lab is a hub of scientific exploration.

As pages turn and imaginations soar, our Library beckons the adventurous minds, offering a trove of literary treasures. Dive into enchanting worlds, embrace diverse perspectives, and cultivate a lifelong love for reading.

But wait, there's more! Events and activity-based learning redefine the way we grasp knowledge. With boundless energy and contagious enthusiasm, we blend learning with fun, creating indelible memories that shape future leaders.

At Apeejay School Haldia is a place where academics reach new heights and dreams find wings. The journey to brilliance starts here.

Dare to dream, strive to excel – Together, we soar!

None of these achievements would have been possible without the commitment and dedicated care of our teachers. We are also constantly encouraged by parents and well-wishers who have shown much confidence and given their fullest support. I wish to acknowledge the efforts and guidance of our management as their collaboration and contributions have made a difference. We are aiming for the No 1 slot and have adopted various measures to achieve our goal. We conclude by assuring that even though our students engaged themselves in various co-curricular and life skills activities, still top priority is given to academic performance. Remedial teaching, extra classes, revision, unit tests, class tests, assignments, term-end exams have kept them busy throughout the year. Our esteemed parents and students have expressed their high level of satisfaction regarding the academic as well as co-curricular activities offered at Apeejay School, Haldia. We will continue our efforts to offer better provision of education for our community. Regular weekly tests and special counselling sessions for children, remedial, result analysis are some of these steps.

Vision and Mission

"You can teach a student a lesson for a day; but if you can teach him to learn by creating curiosity, he will continue the process of learning for as long as he lives." - Bedford

The Apeejay Schools proudly embrace the inspiring motto of "Shakti, Drishti, Prajyan," reflecting our unwavering commitment to fostering the holistic growth of each child—physically, mentally, and spiritually. With an unyielding dedication to excellence in all domains, we strive to soar towards limitless horizons.

Our Vision is to empower every student with the indomitable mantra of Shakti, Drishti, and Prajyan—the three powerful virtues that define a truly enlightened individual.

At the heart of our educational journey lies a profound emphasis on academics. Every possible endeavour has been undertaken to nurture and cultivate a nurturing environment for academic excellence.

The School Curriculum

With great pride and enthusiasm, we unveil the fruition of our diligent efforts towards an enhanced educational journey for the Academic Year 2022-23. Our school's unwavering commitment to progress and excellence has led us to implement a thoughtfully crafted and competent curriculum throughout the institution.

A renewed sense of purpose is reflected in the Pre-Primary and Primary curriculam, where every aspect has been meticulously revised, modified, and enriched, all in pursuit of an unparalleled quality of education grounded in Experiential Learning. We steadfastly believe that a child's education must be an exploration of wonder, and thus, our curriculum revolves around theme-based and project-based teaching and learning. This approach kindles the flame of curiosity in our young learners, encouraging them to explore and discover knowledge in a meaningful manner.

In our pursuit of excellence, we recognize the indispensable importance of communication skills, and we have woven a strong emphasis on spoken language development. Empowering our students with effective communication skills not only enriches their academic journey but also equips them for success in all walks of life.

Creativity finds its rightful place within our classrooms, as art, dance, and music classes take center stage, nurturing the creative instincts of our students. It is through artistic expression that young minds flourish, and we embrace this belief wholeheartedly, fostering an environment where innovation and imagination bloom.

Physical activities, being a cornerstone of holistic development, have garnered significant attention in our primary timetable. We understand that a healthy body is intrinsically linked to a healthy mind, and thus, we encourage our students to revel in the joys of physical activity, ensuring a balanced and harmonious growth.

For our esteemed students in Classes I to Class VIII, the curriculum has been thoughtfully revised and enriched in alignment with the esteemed CBSE (Nep-2023) guidelines. Empowering our students to confidently face the challenges of future examinations and life beyond is at the core of this endeavour. We recognize the diverse needs of our learners, and the curriculum development process is thoughtfully undertaken in phases, ensuring that every aspect is carefully attended to.

To ensure the seamless implementation of this visionary curriculum, we shall host a series of curriculum development sessions in the coming sessions. These collaborative forums serve as

spaces for innovation, where our dedicated educators pool their expertise, passion, and wisdom to create an educational experience that transcends the ordinary.

As we set sail on this new chapter, we extend our heartfelt gratitude to the entire educational community for their unwavering support and commitment to the cause of nurturing young minds. Together, let us embrace the winds of change and embark on a journey of learning and growth, where each child's potential is nurtured, and dreams are realized.

Our Goal towards excellence:

To maintain academic rigor while the focus being on teaching the child and not the subject alone:

- Integrating subject topics across grades for inter-disciplinary learning and hands on experiential learning to actively engage the child.
- Focus is to be not just on completion of subject but subject understanding.
- Defined rubrics for assessment and definite learning outcomes and competencies for each subject and grade level
- Clear plan for teacher capacity building: Pedagogical, Subject enrichment and leadership

Implementation strategies to achieve excellence:

- Integrated and Experiential Lesson Plans across subjects created by Teachers and approved by the Principal and Head of Departments.
- Each Lesson Plan includes detailed Lesson objectives, Learning outcomes and competencies, Pedagogical strategies and resources.
- Regular Class observations done by Principal, Co-ordinators and Heads of Departments to continuously monitor the implementation of these lessons
- Regular student feedback and parent contact.
- Monthly updation of lessons to be covered in the forthcoming month are done by the class teacher.
- Remedial/Enrichment/Special classes are being conducted on a daily basis to help students to bridge the learning gaps incurred specially during pandemic.
- Teacher Capacity building and Professional Development workshops to include: Hands on workshops on active and experiential learning, learning outcome-based lesson plans, Pedagogy for inclusive classrooms,

Assessment for Learning and Leadership workshops

ASSESSMENT

We have crafted a stress-free and invigorating evaluation process that serves as a catalyst for their academic growth and advancement.

Diversity and innovation are the cornerstones of our approach. Our assessments take on various captivating forms, including art-integrated projects, captivating exhibits, thought-provoking role plays, stimulating debates, engaging quizzes, as well as the traditional pen and paper examinations. Additionally, we embrace the eloquence of the spoken word through the viva voce, cherishing the unique insights our students present.

Every moment of assessment is an opportunity to delve deeper into their minds, understanding the nuances of their comprehension and identifying any gaps in their learning.

We believe that education is a journey of growth and self-discovery, and our assessments are thoughtfully designed to align with this sacred philosophy. Each experience becomes a stepping stone, paving the way for our students to flourish and blossom into well-rounded individuals.

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Sports and Games: Organizing various sports competitions and games like cricket, football, basketball, badminton, athletics, etc. These activities promote physical fitness, teamwork, and sportsmanship.

Cultural Events: Conducting cultural events like dance competitions, music recitals, drama, and talent shows. These events help students explore their artistic talents and boost their confidence in performing arts.

Environmental Initiatives: Engaging in activities like tree plantation drives, eco-awareness campaigns, and clean-up initiatives to instil environmental consciousness and a sense of responsibility towards nature.

Social Service Projects: Undertaking social service projects such as visits to orphanages, old-age homes, and organizing donation drives to sensitize students to social issues and inculcate empathy and compassion.

Art and Craft Exhibitions: Showcasing students' artwork and craft projects to encourage creativity and appreciation for the arts.

Language Clubs: Establishing language clubs for promoting proficiency in languages other than the native tongue.

Entrepreneurship Programs: Organizing events where students can showcase their entrepreneurial ideas and set up small businesses to understand business dynamics.

Interdisciplinary Projects: Encouraging interdisciplinary projects that integrate knowledge from different subjects and promote critical thinking and problem-solving abilities.

Health and Wellness Workshops: Arranging workshops on mental health, stress management, and healthy lifestyle habits to address students' overall well-being.

Career Guidance Sessions: Conducting seminars and talks by professionals to guide students in making informed career choices.

Educational Trips and Excursions: Organizing educational trips to museums, historical sites, and industries to provide practical learning experiences beyond the classroom.

Coding and Computer Science Clubs: Initiating coding and computer science clubs to develop students' digital skills and foster an interest in technology.

Debate and Quiz Clubs: Establishing debate and quiz clubs to enhance students' knowledge, critical thinking, and communication skills.

These co-curricular and extra-curricular activities complement the academic curriculum and contribute to a well-rounded education that prepares students for life beyond the classroom. They offer students opportunities to discover their passions, strengths, and interests while fostering essential life skills.

Training, Seminars, Orientation and Counselling

Every academic year training, seminars and orientation programmes are conducted for teachers, parents and students to improve and implement innovative ideas in teaching learning practices as well as to take the students beyond their current level of learning.

APEEJAY SCHOOL HALDIA SOCIAL MEDIA

School social media accounts have been regularly updated with various programmes and other events, birthday posters, posters of the winners of various competitions/events and other necessary information. We request all parents, teachers and alumni to encourage our students and their activities in these social media platforms.

SCHOOL APP:

Keeping ourselves up with the pace of the modern world, Complete Digitization of the school was undertaken which transformed the entire school chores channel through the Information Technology, bringing in more transparency and enhanced communication with parents and community.

Having the school completely digitized has several advantages to the parents, teachers and the school itself. Parents can keep a real-time track of the status of their child for Daily Attendance, Fee status, Periodic Results, School Circulars and News, etc. through the SCHOOL APP.

CONCLUSION

We proudly affirm that our students have enthusiastically embraced a diverse array of co-curricular and life skills activities, all while maintaining an unwavering focus on their academic pursuits. Throughout the year, we have diligently provided various avenues for remedial teaching, extra classes, revision sessions, unit tests, class tests, assignments, and term-end exams, keeping our students actively engaged and continuously growing.

We are delighted to acknowledge the heartfelt appreciation and contentment expressed by our esteemed parents and students regarding the exceptional blend of academic and co-curricular offerings at Apeejay School, Haldia. Their satisfaction is a testament to our commitment to nurturing well-rounded individuals who excel not only in academics but also in various other spheres of life.

Moving forward, we renew our dedication to perpetually enhance the quality of education we provide to our community. Our unyielding efforts will persist as we strive to create an even more enriching and fulfilling learning environment for our students, fostering their holistic development and preparing them to embrace the challenges and opportunities of the future with confidence.

Warm Regards, Apeejay School Haldia