

REPORT ON HAPPY FEET -2020

Class - V

***‘Graduation... A new beginning...
A time to look forward, a time to set new goals,
a time for discovering hopes and dreams that are yet unborn.’***

The Graduation Day was celebrated with much fanfare by the students of Class V on 14th February 2020. It marked the end of Junior School and unfolding of a new chapter in the Middle School. It was a time to celebrate their achievements and learnings.

The show commenced by invoking the blessings of the Almighty with the melodious school choir chanting *shlokas* followed by a lively rendition of the songs of different states of our vibrant country. The release of colourful balloons symbolized the hopes and aspirations of the students. The students were awarded Graduation Certificates to mark this momentous day in their lives. In her address, the Director Principal, Ms. Aditi Misra congratulated the students for crossing a significant milestone in their lives. She asked the parents to join hands with the teachers to help raise strong, resilient children who are ready to face the challenges of the 21st century equipped with the 4 C’s of 21st Century – Communication, Collaboration, Creativity and Critical Thinking. She urged the parents to be grateful for all the little blessings in their lives which in turn teach gratitude to the children, a much needed value in today’s time. She also insisted that as responsible citizens of the world, we must be environmentally conscious and do our bit to protect our planet Earth.

‘Happy Feet’ showcased a plethora of events. The unique diversity of India was celebrated by presenting an astounding *mélange* of various Indian classical dances by the students. The importance of keeping fit, leading a healthy lifestyle and self-defense was reinforced by the athletic dexterity exhibited by the students performing Yoga, Aerobics and Taekwondo. The mesmerizing dance performances of the students swaying to the lively tunes from various states of India left the audience spellbound. The significance of sustainable development, protection of environment, responsible consumption – ‘from farm to plate’ and revitalizing our rivers was breathtakingly portrayed by the students through their dances. A fitting tribute to Mahatma Gandhi on his 150th birth anniversary was paid by the students through their performances which spread his everlasting messages of peace, non-violence and cleanliness. Various environmental initiatives undertaken by our school were exhibited which was a fitting culmination to the event.

The Chief Guest, Ms. Upasna Mahtani Luthra congratulated the students for the fantastic show and praised the attention paid to every detail. She lauded the event for its 4 C's- content, colour, charisma and creativity. She strongly advocated children to make books their best companions as today's readers are tomorrow's leaders. She advised the children to read extensively and use the school library to access different genres of books. She urged the parents to read more themselves and become role models for their children which will encourage them to become lifelong readers. She quoted Dr. Seuss, "The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go."

The vote of thanks was proposed by Ms. Laveena Hemrajani, the Headmistress, Junior School along with the members of the Junior Students' Council, extending their gratitude to all present for the continuous encouragement and support which made this event a grand success.

The event concluded with the Orientation Programme for the parents which was conducted by the Headmistress of Middle School, Ms. Shalini Arora who apprised them of the changes the students will experience as they move to the middle wing.

The Graduation Day ended on a note of joy and hope with our young graduates looking towards a brighter future.

