

INVESTITURE CEREMONY

Student leaders strive to be worthy role models

Leadership is the capacity to translate vision into reality.
- Warren Bennis

The Investiture ceremony was held on July 8, 2022. Under the direction of band master Iru-daya Swamy, the event commenced with the adept band members ceremonially welcoming the dignitaries.

A brief introduction by our hosts Advaita Mahesh and Srihari S Muchinthaya of Class XII was followed by a soulful rendition of the invocation song by senior school students. The welcome speech was delivered by teacher Dolan Pal, expressing delight and wishing the newly elected leaders.

Each of the elected student was given the mantle of responsibility



and honour of being a part of the student council by academic director Roopa Sridhar and Principal Mariamma S Mathew. The pledge was taken led by school captain Joshua Raji Joseph of class XII. The academic di-

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and sports coordinators being inducted. The importance of CCA was highlighted by CCA in-charge Jancy Antony.

A graceful dance by Reshika S and Arpita Gouda of class XII and a lively Saxophone performance by the band master were part of the ceremony. Teacher Annesha Mukherjee thanked everyone and congratulated the newly elected council members. It was a momentous day for all the members of the institution to be back with a new fervour after two years of pandemic.

The school held the Investiture Ceremony to induct the student council on July 27, 2022.

School president Acharya Venkatesh Murthy and secretary Sudha Murthy congratulated the council members and urged them to take on their leadership roles with a sense of responsibility and team spirit.

The ceremony was fruitful culmination of the student council election for the academic year 2022-2023, held earlier.

The entire election process began with the filling up of the nomination form. Each candidate



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shared their manifesto with the voting community. All students of the secondary classes cast their votes.

School principal Prashanthi Shashikanth declared Harshavardhan as the captain, Bindushree.S as vice-captain and Kalpana as deputy leader. She also declared the names of all other leaders from different categories.

"A leader is one who knows the way, goes the way, and shows the way."

To inculcate leadership qualities in the upcoming generations of students the school constitutes the Student Council. The members are elected by the students and teachers of the school with meticulous effort and planning.

The Investiture ceremony for the year 2022-23 was held on June 30, 2022. Principal Pinkey Singh and financial advisor of RCIS Group Bheema Gowda hoisted the school flag. The principal inducted the newly elected members of the council into their office and administered the oath. The office bearers pledged to dispense their duties to the best of their abilities and abide by the rules of the school.



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for their constant support and encouragement.

Looking resplendent in their uniforms all the student leaders and their teacher participated in the ceremony with pride and reverence. This display of oneness is proof that the school, without doubt, believes in its young leaders to protect and consolidate the values and ideals its teachers and students stand for.

The ceremony concluded with the vote of thanks by school captain Anirudh A Menon.

Congratulating the newly appointed council members, the principal urged them to be worthy role models for their peers by being exemplary in their disposition and demeanor. She also thanked the parents

Students give voice to songs on environmental sustenance

The Songbirds Inter-School Group Singing Competition, which was conducted as an educational outreach of Indian Music Experience Museum's current exhibition "Bird-Song", witnessed stellar per-



INTERSCHOOL MUSIC COMPETITION

formances from schools across the city on July 22, 2022. Fifteen school groups made it to the final round of the competition. It was exciting to see the young talents and their levels of enthusiasm as they performed songs on environmental sustenance from the project "My Earth Songs", composed by Ricky Kej. The finalists were thrilled to perform in front of the composer him-

self Ricky Kej and Veena exponent Suma Sudhindra. Kudos to the school music coordinators for training the students for this event.

Winners in the primary category:
First Prize: Mitra Academy
Second Prize: The Brigade School, Mahadevapura

secondary category:
First Prize: Daffodils English School
Second Prize: NPS Whitefield and National Centre For Excellence
Third Prize: Mitra Academy

Special thanks to Smartivitylabs and our exhibition knowledge partner AmarChitraKatha for sponsoring the prizes for the event.

Honing student talents through club activities

Being part of activities makes children energetic and enthusiastic for the whole day.

Club activities are held once a week to refresh their minds for the coming week



ANANTHA VIDYANIKETAN

ahead. Four club activities are organised on rotation, namely dramatics, art and craft, math and SUPW.

Teachers are excited to guide, collaborate and boost their creative thoughts and help them think out of the box. Indeed the storyline of

dramatic club, crazy shapes from maths club, pretty flowers from art and craft club and handmade paper bags by SUPW were creative.

Over the distant, stark horizon I spy;
A dim and pleasant ball of fire;
Which I cannot deny;
Is definitely a sight to admire.
Reflected on the tranquil waters;
The glint of light is sure to steal;
The silent breaths of a mortal soul;
Oh Crimson Sunset, if only your sight was

eternal.

THE CRIMSON SUNSET

I'm sure that even the ferocious waves can agree;
That you, oh Sunset are certainly;
A priceless, alluring, perfect picture;
Oh Crimson Sunset, if only your sight was eternal.

Ashreya Marika Shankar, class VIII, Greenwood High Bannerghatta

Express YOURSELF

The lesson a haunted house taught me

In our neighbourhood, there was a house which was lying empty for over three years. Everyone called it 'The Haunted House' as it was covered in cobwebs and dried leaves. No one wanted to rent it. Our street became famous just for this house. We jokingly called it the 'natural wonder of our street'.



My friends couldn't stop obsessing over the house. They always came up with pranks. The house had a swing in the garden. A few children once tied one end of a string to the swing and the other, to a pitiful deaf and blind dog. As the dog moved,

the swing moved too. This made everyone believe the house was really haunted. One day without my friends' notice I rescued that dog. Recently a family moved into this house. We were playing on our street and the ball accidentally went into their

garden. I had to go inside the compound to retrieve the ball, as I didn't want to lose my ball. As I took the ball, I saw a girl staring at me from her bedroom. I was absolutely terrified. I ran out of the house as fast as I could. A few days later it was that

girl's birthday. My mom forced me to attend it. I took a glance at the house and to my surprise it was so beautiful with amazing interiors. The people were amazingly sweet and kind. I felt really comfortable and I enjoyed spending time with everyone. The next day, I told my friends it was a beautiful house with lovely people. We all played together happily thereafter. From this, we realized that we should never judge a book by its cover. The house is no longer haunted, but it will remain a natural wonder forever.

Shrijani, class VII, MES Kishore Kendra Public School

SOUL OF LIFE

Music is a boon to mankind,
It soothes our mind,
And gives it rest.
It helps us find,
The feelings of any kind.

Music explains what cannot be expressed,
To have it we are blessed,
It helps the ones stressed and depressed,
And makes them distressed.

Music is blender of emotions,
And a mind mentor,
Sent by the greatest sender,
To help us control temper,

And be more tender.



Music is in flowing rivers,
Music is in blowing air,
Every sound of birds chirping,
Tells music is nature.

Music is a wonderful gift,
In a swift of seconds
It'll make our faces lift,
Oh! It's land of diamonds
Where there is no end.

Ah! as they say
When words are too less,
Music speaks along
with the rhythm and the beats.

Sanvi Pattar, class VI, GJR International School

Painters' Gallery



READY TO ZOOM: Abhishek J Poojary, class VI, Sishu Griha Senior School



ARIANA GRANDE: Ananya S K, class VI, National Public School, Yeshwanthpur



LOVE FOR MUSIC: Hifzah Fathim, class VIII, Capitol Public School, Jakkur



COLOURFUL MANDALA: Kruthi P, class VI, NPS Kengeri

INDIA AIM TO KEEP UP TEMPO VS WI

Second consecutive win will boost tourists' confidence ahead of T20 WC

Rohit Sharma's buoyant India will look to continue the winning run and extend their domination over the West Indies when they clash in the second T20 International here on Monday. The visitors are coming off a comprehensive victory in the opener of the five-match series. What separated the two teams in the first match was not only its all-round performance but also smart captaincy by Rohit who fielded his three spinners Ravindra Jadeja, Ravichandran Ashwin and Ravi Bishnoi. Another victory would only boost India's confidence further as they look to gain momentum ahead of the marquee T20 World Cup later this year. If it was Rishabh Pant who walked out an opener in the T20Is against England with Rohit, the first game against the West

Indies saw Suryakumar Yadav filling that role. Suryakumar, who has turned out to be the seventh opener for India in T20Is this year, got going quickly (24 off 16 balls) until Akeal Hosein stalled his progress. It will be interesting to see if the team management carries on with its experimentation given that KL Rahul is not available for the time being.

EMERGENCE OF ARSHDEEP

Over the years, a quality left-arm pacer is something the Indian team has not had, but that could change with the emergence of the promising Arshdeep Singh, who left a mark in the first game with his tight spell. The 23-year-old Punjab pacer showed promise throughout his four-over spell, especially the manner in which he dismissed opener Kyle Myers with a premeditated short ball. At the end of the game, Arshdeep bowled brilliantly as he removed all-rounder Akeal Hosein with a perfect yorker.

THE DESIGNATED FINISHER

After Rohit departed following a captain's knock of 64 off 44 deliveries, things had started to slow down for India. While the visitors were on course to finish at around 170, veteran Dinesh Karthik had other ideas, helping the team set a target in excess of 190. The 37-year-old once again aced the finisher's role (41 off 19 balls) to help the team amass 36 runs off

the last two overs. Given Karthik's prowess, he would fancy his chances of doing an encore. "These are the small tick boxes that we need to have at this stage of the game but the ultimate goal is to do well in the T20 World Cup in Australia," Karthik told his teammate Ashwin after the first game.

ASHWIN, BISHNOI SPIN A WEB

Both Ashwin and young leg-spinner Ravi Bishnoi made significant contributions in the first game. Ashwin (2/22 from 4 overs), who was brought back into the T20 squad after quite a while, showed that he still has a lot to offer in the shortest format. The 21-year-old Bishnoi (2/26 from 4 overs) also showed that he is out there to perform at the big stage. It remains to be seen if the team management continues with the trio of Jadeja, Ashwin and Bishnoi, or bring in the likes of Axar Patel and Kuldeep Yadav. AGENCIES

SHIKHAR TO LEAD INDIA IN ZIMBABWE ODIS

Opener Shikhar Dhawan will lead India in the three-match ODI series against Zimbabwe, set to be played in Harare from August 18, the BCCI announced on Saturday. The 36-year-old Dhawan, who had also led India recently and guided them to a 3-0 series whitewash in West Indies, will captain once again in absence of Rohit Sharma, who has been rested for Zimbabwe ODIs.

Apart from Rohit, most of the regular ODI members -- Virat Kohli, Jasprit Bumrah, Rishabh

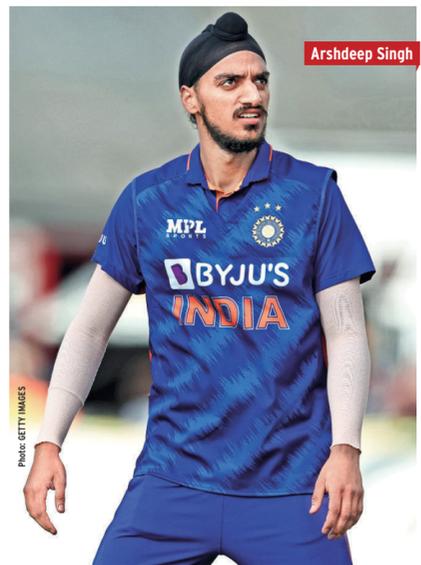


Shikhar Dhawan

Pant, Hardik Pandya and Mohammad Shami -- have also been given rest. Shreyas Iyer, Suryakumar Yadav, Ravindra Jadeja, Arshdeep Singh and Yuzvendra Chahal, who were all part of the ODIs in the West Indies, have been left out. While there has been no official word on the selections, or non-selections, it is understood that these players are being rotated as part of the BCCI's policy keeping in mind the packed international calendar.

I have been enjoying the role of a finisher. It is a very interesting role. It is not something that you can be very consistent with but on some days, you can make an impact on the team. You need the backing of the captain and coach and I have got that in abundance."

Middle order batsman
Dinesh Karthik



Arshdeep Singh

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QUIZ TIME!

Q1: Golfer Seher Atwal won her first title of the season in which golf tournament in 2022?



Seher Atwal

- Glade One Masters
- Hero Women's Pro Golf Tour
- Golconda Masters Telangana Open
- Tata Steel PGTI Players Championship

Q2: Which tennis player recently won the Swiss Open Tennis Tournament 2022 held in Gstaad, Switzerland?

- Casper Ruud
- Rafael Nadal
- Holger Rune
- Christian Ruud

Q3: Which country won the maximum number of medal at the Winter Olympics 2022?

- Germany
- China
- USA
- Norway

Q4: Which team clinched the Women's Asia Cup Hockey title in 2022?

- China
- India
- Japan
- South Korea

Q5: Who was the first unseeded tennis player to win men's singles championship at Wimbledon?

- John McEnroe
- Stefan Edberg
- Jimmy Connors
- Boris Becker

Q6: In which year was the first Commonwealth Games held?

- 1926
- 1930
- 1934
- 1942

ANSWERS:

- b. Hero Women's Pro Golf Tour
- a. Casper Ruud
- d. Norway
- c. Japan
- d. Boris Becker
- b. 1930

Bindyarani Devi gets India another silver

GOLD COAST TALLY OF 66 MEDALS REMAINS INDIA'S AIM

India's Bindyarani Devi raised her game to secure a silver in the women's 55kg category, providing the country's fourth weightlifting medal in as many categories at the Commonwealth Games here.

Soon after Mirabai Chanu's gold, the 23-year-old created a Games record by lifting 116kg in the clean and jerk after a personal best of 86kg in the snatch section, totalling 202 kg.

The gold medal expectedly went to Nigeria's Adijat Adenike Olarinoye, who lifted 203kg (92kg+111kg). She also smashed the Games record

in snatch and total effort. Local favourite England's Fraer Morrow bagged the bronze with a 198kg effort (89kg+109kg).

"It is my first CWG and I feel very happy about the silver and about the Games record as well," Bindyarani said. Like Chanu, Bindyarani too hails from Manipur. She had won the Commonwealth Championships gold in 2019 before getting a silver in the 2021 edition. Daughter of a farmer who also owns grocery shop, Bindyarani took up weightlifting due to her short height.

"I was into taekwondo from 2008 to 2012 after that I shifted to



Gururaj Poojary



Bindyarani Devi

PHOTO: PTI

weightlifting. I had a height problem so had to shift. Everyone told my height is ideal for weightlifting. So I changed."

Bindyarani was in the bronze medal finish after the snatch section with a personal best of 86kg, behind Olarinoye (92kg) and Fraer (89kg). The Indian made an unsuccessful second attempt for 115 kg before lifting a kilogram more to elevate her to silver medal position from bronze as Morrow fluffed her final 115kg attempt.

Earlier in the day, Chanu had provided India its first gold while Sanket Sargar and Gururaja Poojary had clinched silver and bronze medals respectively. PH

I am very happy with my performance. I am playing in the first games of my career and I am very happy that I won the silver medal in this. My next targets are national games, World Championship, Asian Games and then the 2024 Paris Olympics. I'll do better in them.

- Bindyarani Devi

OTHERS AT THE GAMES

* Yogeshwar Singh was the lone Indian male gymnast to qualify for the all-around final after his teammates Saif Tamboli and Satyajit Mondal narrowly missed out in the Commonwealth Games here.

* India's Tania Choudhary suffered her third successive loss in women's singles competition of lawn bowl event at the ongoing Commonwealth Games.

* Gururaj Poojary won the bronze in 61kn men's category.

* In table tennis women's team had to face defeat as they went down 2-3 against Malaysia in quarterfinals.

* In hockey, women's team won their second pool game and beat Wales 3-1.

BRAZIL WOMEN CONQUER CONMEBOL 2022



Brazil's Antonia celebrates after winning the Conmebol 2022 women's Copa America football tournament final match against Columbia at the Alfonso Lopez stadium in Bucaramanga, Columbia.

Maini gets maiden podium in FIA F3 in Budapest

India's Kush Maini, in car number 12 and donning the Mumbai Falcons livery, drove a very mature and balanced race to secure his maiden podium in FIA Formula 3 in front of a packed crowd in Budapest.

Showers just before the beginning of the sprint race which is run over 40 minutes made sure that the race was declared a wet race and started under the safety car which did two formation laps to give the drivers a chance to understand the tricky conditions. The two safety car interventions made sure that Maini fought his way through and found himself in P5. In the fight for fourth, Maini was a man on a mission in the second MP Motorsport car, diving down the inside of Martins and then setting about putting Hadjar under pressure, while the leading duo began to pull away from the pack. Hadjar's overly wide line off on to the run-off at turn 13 gave Maini a chance to pounce.

The Indian driver had no hesitation in breezing past him at turn four and forcing Hadjar to go on the defensive from fellow Red Bull junior Crawford. "I am extremely happy that finally my pace converted to a podium and I was able to fight my way from P7. Really proud of my team MP to give me a competitive car and gave me the chance to stand on the podium," Maini said. PH



Kush Maini