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A News letter by Sunbeam Bhagwanpur, Varanasi

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Our respected Director Ma'am finally made it to the Victory Stand as she was conferred the much awaited & coveted HT Readers' Choice Woman of 2012 award by Hon'ble Chief Minister, UP, Mr Akhilesh Yadav & his wife Mrs Dimple Yadav in a scintillating Award Ceremony held in Taj, Lucknow, on 31st March, 2012. Heartiest congratulations to Director Ma'am on her grand sweeping success !

## From the desk of the Principal...



**Mrs. Gurmeet Kaur**  
Principal

There has never been a greater calling for a teacher than to teach young children. Although I am the Principal of this wonderful school, but at heart, I am still a teacher- the teacher I used to be.

Which is why you all may still find the same streak in me- insistent on the importance of learning, cajoling you to explore new ideas and goading you to action for an important cause? Ever since I embarked on my journey on the path of education, I have learnt a lot, grown and evolved into what I am today. When I was a kid like you, I used to feel disappointed at my own errors, but every time I have risen to amend and emerge better. The message is clear and simple- never deviate from your chosen path and make your conviction stronger with every failure. Eventually you will succeed. Also I would urge the parents to get involved into their wards' academics and enquire about the child's progress in the class.

In this era of cut-throat competition, what you cannot have the leisure of is-ignorance. Time demands that you be alert , attentive, innovative and confident. You cannot afford to sit back and be ignorant or turn a blind eye to the opportunities that comes your way. The new session brings with it many promises, foremost of which is plethora of opportunities- to help you test your skills, challenge your own boundaries and become confident and strong. All the best to all of you and as always- keep rocking !!!



# Youreka Camp

Forget that lazy, hazy, crazy, daze of summer. Indolent, languorous days spent either in the lap of Morpheus or climbing guava and mango trees with time to kill are now passe. Today, summer holidays for children means trips to the Himalayan foothills, mist-covered Coorg or the vales of Scotland where specialised skills are learnt in a structured manner — trekking, river-rafting, mountain biking, astronomy, theatre, magic, photography and bird-watching. Not to forget personality development and group activities. Students from Sunbeam School

Bhagwanpur attended one such adventure camp from the 16<sup>th</sup> to the 21<sup>st</sup> of March, which was organized by 'The Youreka'. The Youreka summer program instills confidence and widens perspective of thought and behaviour amongst children. Children experience a series of physical and mental challenges by engaging in various Activity Zones. These experiences remain as life time memories – The Youreka Moment and build Youreka Champs.

- The Endurance Zone offers outdoor challenge which helps children stretch their limits. Children need to choose one activity in the Endurance Zone.
- The Endeavor Zone offers opportunities to explore stimulating tasks. Children experience at least 4 different activities during their stay at the camp.
- The Exploration Zone is time to reflect and absorb the numerous Youreka Moments of the day.
- The Excitement Zone is the culmination of every day fun by sharing the joys with all others at camp. The excitement Zone is simply about having fun and making lots of friends.

A weeklong experience, specially designed for 9-16 year olds. Through the 7 days of engagement in adventure and outdoors, children build skills in the chosen activities and challenge themselves to achieve more.



## Parents' Orientation Program

It is felt that parents play a vital role in the educational system and they need to fully co-operate with the school, honor its rules and procedures for the holistic development of their wards. Sometimes parents, out of ignorance form low opinion against children and express the same in their presence. This goes contrary to the process of instilling confidence and integrity and causes waywardness in children. A considerate amount of time and effort is needed from both parents and teachers to educate the children and make them worthy for this world. The good parenting session was held on 25th April, 2012 from 6.30 pm onwards in the SBS BGN Assembly Ground for the parents to understand the essence of child and childhood.

The session started with the ceremonial lighting of the lamp by our respected Chairman Sir and Director Ma'am after which Chairman addressed the gathering. AVs of Sunbeam Bhagwanpur and Indiranagar were shown, then Pratima Ma'am elaborated on the ten laws of learning which was followed by an enticing quiz conducted by Academic Coordinator Mrs. Vibha Rai. The parents happily participated in this interactive round after which Gurmeet Ma'am spoke on CCE, Sarita Ma'am elucidated on learning methodologies followed in junior school and at the end respected Director Ma'am stressed on the importance of instilling values and patriotic fervor in children. The session ended with the national anthem.



Sunbeam Group which has always stood for every cause, took up the cudgel to awaken the denizens of Kashi against the impending ecological crisis which has arisen due to the threat of pollution. The river Ganges which is considered the cradle of Indian Civilization, is dying due to pollution.

Polythene, used cars, and other toxic wastes have been the reason of the river getting polluted. Ironically, the very people who have for ages considered the river holy have violated her existence by polluting the river body with toxic wastes.

To create mass awareness for an eco-friendly non violent approach towards the sacred river and its importance and heighten the moral pressure on the denizens of Kashi, Sunbeam on 17th April, went to various ghats and carried out silent processions. The slogans on placards carried by children and teachers alike stressed on the importance of the cause. 1500 students and teachers from Sunbeam Bhagwanpur went to Assi Ghat at 8.00am. The NCC Air Wing Cadets cleaned the ghats and spoke to the locals to take up the cause seriously and save the Ganga from extinction.

Teachers and students raised slogans to arouse the empathy of people and reiterate their conviction to save sacred Ganga from the dangers of pollution. The Chairman and Director of Sunbeam Group, Mr. Deepak Madhok and Mrs. Bharti Madhok also stressed as the importance of the holy river and reiterated their feelings towards the pious cause.

Seeing the enthusiasm of the staff and students of Sunbeam Bhagwanpur & Indiranagar, the locals also raised slogans and echoed their commitment towards the cause.



# PRIZE DISTRIBUTION CEREMONY

On 10<sup>th</sup> April'12 we had the Prize Distribution Ceremony of both Jr. (Classes 3, 4 and 5) & Sr. School (classes 6, 7 and 8) of the last session in the Assembly Ground. The Prize Distribution of classes IX & XI was done on 12th April, 2012.

The Grandmasters, Luminaries, Super Luminaries, Rank Holders, All Rounders, 100% Attendance winners were all felicitated in a solemn ceremony in the presence of our respected Chairman Sir, Director Ma'am, Asstt. Director Ma'am and other members of the board. The smiles on the faces of the children echoed their pride in their success. The encouraging words of Chairman Sir and Director Ma'am added to their moments of glory.



# MONITORS' INVESTITURE -SR. SCHOOL @ BGN

Though the Sr. School Assembly on 20<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> of April, 2012 started as usual with the prayer, but thereafter the entire proceeding was on a different note. The reason was the Monitors' Investiture Ceremony for classes VII-IX on 20<sup>th</sup> April and classes X-XII on 24<sup>th</sup> April, 2012. The monitors of each class were duly introduced before they took the oath administered by respected Principal Ma'am. Our respected Chairman Sir and Director Ma'am blessed them and motivated them to grab every opportunity that comes their way. The solemn ceremony on both the days culminated with the National Anthem after which the proud office bearers posed for the group photograph with Chairman Sir, Director Ma'am, Asstt. Director Ma'am, Principal Ma'am, Headmistress Ma'am and the Coordinators.



## HOSTEL ACTIVITIES OF THE MONTH OF APRIL '12

### Good Friday' Sarva Dharma Prarthana/ Hanuman Chalisa-

To inculcate religious tolerance and promote secularism, among our hostel students special assemblies were organized with devotional songs, chanting of hymns and solemn remembrance of the significance of Good Friday-the day when Jesus Christ was crucified.

### Clapping Games- For classes II-VI

Clapping games are a sure-shot way to enhance the gross motor-skills and eye-hand coordination in children. Coordinators of Sunbeam Annapurna- Ms. Soma and her team and Coordinator of Sunbeam Bhagwanpur- Ms. Ranjeeta organized clapping games and the children had a fun-filled hour in 'Srijan' on both the occasions.

### Best out of waste- For classes VII and VIII

To teach children that nothing is useless, and nothing should be wasted or thrown away and also to hone their creative skills, they were taught to make colourful fish out of old CDs and paint egg shells.

### Grooming Sessions/ Barbie & Ken/ Visit to Hotel Taaj:-

To groom the children in urbane sophistication and make them confident to face this tough competitive world, workshops and grooming sessions were held in 'Srijan' for classes VI- VII, after which they were taken to Hotel Taaj to be trained in table etiquette.

### Grammar Games/ Poem Recitation/ Book Dissemination & Spin & Yarn:-

Grammar games and poem recitation for junior students and Book dissemination and spin & Yarn for the senior students were organized to chisel the linguistic skills and enhance their vocabulary.

### Subah-e-Banaras:-

Boards of classes VII- XII were taken to Rajendra Prasad Ghat on 17th April, 12, where they had a gala time as they witnessed the rising of the Sun and the devotional songs playing in the background. The students also cleaned the ghats and acquainted the locals with the disasters of the impending ecological threat at the receding levels of the pious river.



## CEREMONIAL BAPTISM BY FIRE-INVESTITURE 2012



Some are born responsible, some volunteer responsibility & others have responsibility thrust upon them. Thus was how this newly elected Student Council assembled-of those deputed to be a part thereof, was a bunch of eager beavers who willingly volunteered while a few others, who were spotted for their talents, had to be encouraged to take up the assigned portfolios.

The Investiture Ceremony was initiated with the welcoming of the dignitaries & hoisting of the school flag. Thereafter, the different cadres of the newly elected Council were felicitated by the Chairman & Director of the Sunbeam Educational Flagship-Mr. Deepak Madhok & Mrs Bharti Madhok .After the handing over the charges by the Asst. Director-Mrs Pratima Gupta to the various House Captains ,their deputing Vice Captains & the prefects & oath taking, the ceremony came to its logical conclusion but not before the gathering had been addressed by the Chairman , Director & Principal of the Sunbeam Group of Institutions.

The gentlemen NCC cadets who accorded the occasion more than its due share of intent were more than picture perfect in terms of the diligent note on which they dispelled their duties& their dedication did not go unnoticed & won them words of appreciation from The Chairman ,Director & Asst. Director .The ceremony ended only after having been assigned the status of the benchmark of the "best until now" & with hopes of worthier presentations.



### Felicitation Ceremony for Staff Members

It is at BGN that the concept of 'Education Revolutionized' had sown its seed, it is BGN that created the brand name called Sunbeam, and so when it was the occasion to felicitate the staff members for completing 10 years of service – the number reached a staggering 118. 12 Administrators, 51 teaching staff, 21 office staff and 34 support staff graced the stage on 4<sup>th</sup> May '12 when Chairman Sir & Director Ma'am honoured them for their dedication, support & genuine love for Sunbeam. The momentous day invoked memories of nostalgia to one and all, for together with Sunbeam each one has grown and evolved too. It was an emotional moment for the dynamic duo-Chairman sir & Director Ma'am. A fitting show of gratitude to the building blocks, to the flag bearers of Sunbeam on the 40th Year of SBS Group. Chairman aptly shared his feelings in a song.."Rahe na Rahe hum, maheka karengre banke kali, banke sabah, Bagh e wafa mein.'

## Investiture Ceremony-Jr School

**B**hagwanpur Jr.School conducted its Investiture Ceremony on 30th March,2012.The headboy and the headgirl along with the house captains,vice captains,sports captain and sports vice captain received their badges from our respected Director Maam while the hostel squad and the QRT were honoured by the Principal Mrs.Gurmeet Kaur.

The council members took the oath of office, administered by the Asst.Director Sunbeam Group, Mrs.Pratima Gupta. The council members promised to uphold the dignity of the post and discharge their duties sincerely.

Chairman sir and Director ma'am while congratulating the newly elected council assigned them the five point program and they will be conducting a special session for the council members on 1st may,2012.They wished the council members all the best for their future.



## Monitors' Investiture Ceremony Jr. School



**S**unbeam Bhagwanpur Junior School conducted its Monitor's Investiture Ceremony on the 19th & 20th March'12. The proud class teachers pinned-up the badges to their respective class Monitors, who took the oath of office, administered by the Jr. School Headmistress, Mrs. Sarita Rao. The Monitors promised to uphold dignity of the post & discharge their duties sincerely.

Also, the Bus Monitors received their badges & with pride and promised to take responsibility of looking after the discipline & cleanliness in the buses & to make sure that all the bus users follow the platinum rules. It was a moment of pride & happiness, both for the students & the teachers!



## ETIQUETTE WEEK (9th April- 14th April)

**J**r. School celebrated Etiquette Week from the 9th April to 14th of April. Assembly presentations were designed to tell the

students the importance of manners and etiquettes. Also the students from classes I to VI presented role-plays on etiquettes and manners. The effort of the students and teachers were appreciated by the activity co-ordinator.

## P.M. Week (16<sup>th</sup> April- 21<sup>st</sup> April)

**P**rime Minister's week was celebrated from the 16<sup>th</sup> April- 21<sup>st</sup> April. The assemblies were very informative. The students came dressed as prime ministers and shared information's. The students were also shown power point presentation during their respective activity periods.



## THANDA THANDA ! COOL COOL-



**I**ce-cream eating activity was organised on 21.04.12 for classes PG to KG II, where children were provided with ice-creams. The teachers explained the proper way of eating it. Care was taken to spread the tablemats and napkin on the lap and proper disposal of cups after eating. Apart from teaching them etiquette related to ice-cream eating, the focus had also been to build up their vocabulary like-hot, cold, melt, spoon, wipe, throw, etc.

## Pool in School water Play

**S**unbeamians make optimum use of each and every occasion in life. So when the temperature goes up, what better than to let kids enjoy the water play in school! We had water play activity for PG, KG I & KG II. Care was taken to dress them up accordingly and clean the pool water regularly with a little tinge of 'Dettol' to ensure safe and healthy bath.Watching the children have fun with friends in the pool brought joy to us

