

SUNBEAM LAHARTARA

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The game begins now....

...through the galleries of
Sunbeam LAHARTARA

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OUTGOING BATCH OF CLASS XII - 2023-24



Embrace the conviction that success awaits those who ardently pursue it, achieved through unwavering dedication and tenacity. Obstacles may arise, and opportunities will present themselves; be prepared to seize them and harness their full potential. Cultivate confidence and unwavering faith in your abilities as you embark on a new venture. Don't let apprehension overshadow your determination. As you step into a fresh chapter of responsibility, may luck be on your side! Here's to conquering new horizons and making your mark on the world! - **Deepak Madhok**, Chairperson

Today marks a significant milestone in your academic journey, signaling the beginning of a trajectory that will propel you to greater heights in both your personal and professional pursuits. As you navigate this path, keep in mind that while percentages may shape your career, 'values' play an equally crucial role in shaping your life. My heartfelt wish is for each of you to attain remarkable distinctions in your endeavors, bringing honor to your Alma mater. Best of luck on this exciting journey ahead! **Bharti Madhok**, Director



Adversities may arise, and doors of opportunity will present themselves. Be prepared to seize these opportunities and fully capitalize on them. Maintain unwavering confidence and self-belief. Do not allow nervousness to overshadow your determination. As you embark on a new responsibility, I wish you the best of luck in your upcoming journey. Go forth and conquer the world!
Amrita Burman, Deputy Director

Consider yourself fortunate to play a crucial role in the vibrant landscape of young India. In this competitive environment, abundant opportunities await you to carve out a distinctive path. Illuminate your future with a resolute mindset, as steadfast determination and hard work will propel you towards your aspirations. Sending you abundant luck and heartfelt wishes for a successful and bright future ahead.

Harsh Madhok, Honorary Director,



As you approach the conclusion of your school journey, I am optimistic that our school has provided you with the tools necessary to become self-assured global citizens. I believe that the skills imparted will empower you to envision possibilities beyond conventional limits because, from my perspective, the sky is merely a starting point for you. Keep your enthusiasm and determination unwavering, and may the tales of your achievements resonate throughout the halls of your Alma Mater. Best of luck on your onward journey!
Aditya Choudhury, Dean, Academics & Innovations

As you step beyond the confines of this school, community, and the familial bonds forged here, it is fitting to bid you farewell with a message emphasizing the importance of embracing authenticity, unwavering principles, and earnestness. Cultivate the virtue of patience, avoiding unnecessary haste. When your actions align with your true purpose, the outcomes will be profoundly liberating. This is already evident in each of you, radiating excellence in your respective domains.

Perveen Quaiser, Principal, Sunbeam Lahartara



Sunbeam Lahartara is often referred to as people's second home, but if you ask me? A big NO!! It never came second; it was always my half home, my happy and safe place. Trust me when I say this: it is indeed a very painful and tough task to talk about a particular memory when I have made millions of them. The moment I entered Sunbeam Lahartara, it welcomed me with open arms, and guess what? I did exactly the same. Twelve years back when I started this journey, I never knew that it would come to an end this soon. I never knew that the little girl would transform into a self-driven individual today. From 2012 to 2023, from participating in a Non-Thermal cooking competition to engaging in numerous APT talks, Tech Talks, MUN's, Round Squares, from participating in a Navsadhna Dance competition to attending a Leadership and Adventure Camp in Punjab, so many memories I have made. This is the place where I learned one of my biggest life lessons: "Thank you" is definitely going to fall short for everything I have ever received from this place. From Manjari Ma'am being my first-class teacher to Abhishek sir being the last. Sunbeam Lahartara has taught me what not. Unfortunately, something it could never teach me was how to say goodbye. With a very heavy heart and tears almost falling down from my eyes, I already miss you from the bottom of my heart, for the very last time once again. Thank you and Jai Hind. Signing off...

- **Yogya Jaiswal**, XII-E



Completing 8 years at Lahartara and a full 12 at Sunbeam stirs profound gratitude within me. Sunbeam Lahartara, my school, evokes immense pride. The corridors have witnessed my transformative journey from a quiet underachiever to a confident, independent girl—a blessing I cherish. Oh, how I yearn to relive the innocent days of a fifth-grader! I extend heartfelt thanks to my teachers, friends, and the invaluable support staff—chit-chats with them forged a deep sense of belongingness. May I carry the spirit of Sunbeam proudly into the future; the mere mention of the word "Sunbeam" will forever illuminate my eye. As I bid farewell to this institution, I express my deepest gratitude—thank you and Jai Hind.

- **Bhavya Bajaj**, XII-D



In the tapestry of life, our paths briefly crossed, leaving behind threads of cherished memories.

From being the most shy and emotional girl in childhood to being called the boldest in 10th, Sunbeam has given a lot and taught a lot. I remember wanting to be friends with anyone and everyone who talked to me nicely, even if my relations with them were somewhat strained. Sunbeam, from class 1st to class 12th, has taught me something we call life. It taught me happiness and sadness, friendship, and then betrayal too. I know that what I have learned here is just the basics for what is yet to come. Something this institution has taught me is, "Life is like a train journey starting from Kashmir and ending at Kanyakumari. In this train journey, we will meet a lot of people and then lose a lot, but what will always remain with us are the memories." This is Jahnvi Verma, Batch 2023-24, signing off...

- **Jahnvi Verma**, XII-D



It's been 15 years since I first entered this place in 2009, as a shy and timid girl, to leaving it in 2024 as a strong and confident young woman. Sunbeam has truly transformed my life. Travelling from the kindergarten corridor to the senior-most one, I have witnessed Lahartara changing, and Lahartara has witnessed my growth over these 15 years. Sunbeam has played a significant role in my development. It has crafted a better version of myself and nurtured me holistically. The school has provided me with opportunities to explore, learn endlessly from teachers, make special friends, and create cherished memories. I will miss gossiping with my friends during recess and our shared meals at the table, which often felt like a square table conference rather than a round one. I will miss the times when controlling our laughter in the middle of class was a challenge. It's hard to accept that the time has come to say goodbye, but bidding farewell is never easy.

Vaibhavi Jaiswal, XII-D



It feels like just yesterday when we welcomed you and showed you how to construct Triangles, and now you're delving into theories about them. Time flies, and witnessing your growth has been a source of immense pride for us. Like caterpillars transforming into butterflies, your journey is just beginning. Remember, you're not defined solely by your name or grades. Your potential exceeds these measures. So, never be content until you've reached greatness. Along the way, cherish moments of return to your roots. Best of luck on your onward journey!

- **Sanghmitra Jaiswal**
Vice Principal, Sunbeam Lahartara



July 1, 2022. I still remember the day clearly, entering a whole new environment, a new school where I didn't know anyone and no one knew me. I was excited and a bit scared, standing in Gunjan where I witnessed the first morning assembly at Sunbeam Lahartara. From that day, aspiring to do well in the school, joining the school's student council, until today, ending my tenure as a student of Sunbeam and as the MUN Secretary in the student council. It was not a very long journey for me in terms of time, just 2 years, but these 2 years were the best of my life, filled with great memories of friendship, opportunities, companionship, guidance, and gratitude. I will be forever grateful to SUNBEAM for giving me the light I needed in my school life. Thank you and Jai Hind.

- **Aman Kumar Mishra**
MUN Secretary

As we stand at the threshold of a new chapter in our lives, the time has come for the Class XII students to bid farewell to the familiar halls and cherished memories of our beloved school. These past years have been a journey of growth, laughter, and shared experiences that have shaped us into the individuals we are today. From the late-night study sessions to the unforgettable moments of camaraderie, each step has been a building block in the foundation of lifelong friendships and academic achievements. As we embark on separate paths, let us carry with us the lessons learned within these walls and the indomitable spirit that our school has instilled in us. May the future hold opportunities for us to shine brightly, and may we continue to support and inspire each other in the years to come. Farewell, dear schoolmates, teachers, and the institution that has been our second home. Here's to the memories we've created and the promising futures that await us beyond these familiar gates.

Mahi Kedia, Hostel Representative



In halls where laughter once resounded clear,
We gather now, as parting draws near.
With hearts both heavy, yet filled with cheer,
For memories shared, we hold so dear.

Years have passed like fleeting dreams,
Through highs and lows, through sunlit beams.
Together we've walked, through valleys and streams,
Now it's time to chase our individual schemes.

Each face a story, each voice a song,
In this farewell, we stand strong,
Though paths diverge, and we journey along,
Our bond remains, forever lifelong.



Through tests and trials, we've learned to strive,
To keep the flame of hope alive.
As we bid adieu, let our spirits thrive,
In the tapestry of memories, we shall revive.

So here's to the days we laughed and cried,
To friendships formed, with love implied.
As we spread our wings, with dreams wide-eyed,
In our hearts, this journey will forever abide.

- **Sarya**, Love House Captain

I remember the day I walked into Sunbeam Lahartara, not knowing that it would become like my second home. I'm leaving it with thousands of memories and experiences that will help me further in my future. Lahartara has made me what I am today. Teachers were the most important pillars of my school days, supporting me in my ups and downs. I will always miss sitting at the back seat, having fun with my friends, and meeting friends from other classes during recess. I will miss all the NCC Parades, all the march-pasts, and all the Guards of Honour during Republic Day and Independence Day.

- **Aarav Yadav**, NCC Head





Farewell, but not goodbye



“School time ends but the memories last forever”

Sarthika Mishra, From singing 'good morning' and 'Jai Hind' in unison to teaching juniors how to greet, I have come a long way. I still vividly recall the first day of school, gazing at the wall adorned with the names of all the school council members and pondering how to reach that point. Exactly 12 years later, I was sworn in as the Cultural Head of the school—a moment that likely answered all the questions the 6-year-old version of myself had. It fills my heart with immense pride to be entrusted with such a significant responsibility by my school. However, as the time to bid farewell approaches, my heart is heavy with emotion can never thank Aditya Sir enough for shaping me into the person I am today, for granting a small girl an identity that is recognized by all, and, most importantly, for instilling the confidence in her that she never knew she needed. The journey, from Manjari Ma'am, my first-grade teacher, complaining to my mother about my quiet nature, to Arambika Ma'am in 10th grade describing me as the chirping bird of the class, has been truly unique. I entered this premises, which I no longer refer to as a mere campus but as my home, my second home. Yet, now, it is time to bid farewell.

- **Sarthika Mishra**
Cultural Captain



Dear School, As I pen this farewell message, gratitude fills my heart for the countless memories, friendships, and growth you've bestowed upon me. The corridors echo with laughter, lessons resonate in my mind, and the bond formed here is etched in my soul. Teachers, you've been guiding lights; friends, you've been companions in joy and challenge. As I embark on a new journey, I carry the lessons learned and the spirit nurtured within these walls. Farewell, dear school, for you've been the canvas of my formative years. Though I bid adieu, the echoes of our shared moments will forever linger in my heart. With sincere thanks,

- **Avanindra Sengar**
Sports Captain



The moment I was asked to write an article for the farewell newsletter, I had lots of memories flashing in front of my eyes. I still cannot believe the fact that now it is time to say goodbye. I still can't believe that I will not be coming to school and meeting the same faces I used to see every day. I don't know how much I am going to miss every corner of this school. I don't know how much I am going to miss walking in the corridors, those student council meetings, organizing events, and being part of all events. From Khushi Ma'am being my unpaid therapist to Saumya Ma'am who always looked out for me. From Shampa Ma'am making my very first trip super comfortable and fun to David Sir always making me laugh and taking tons of shots while recording. I can't express my gratitude to all of them in one go. And Rajni Ma'am being the best class teacher who made my last year in school so great, to Jilani Sir being supportive all the time, and Indrani Ma'am taking dozens of pre-boards and making history class super exciting, and Ved Sir and Late Ma'am who made those economics concepts so easy for me. From Aditya Sir being super concerned about me to Sanghmitra Ma'am being the best and most supportive Academic Head one could ever have. I'll miss all these people who made my school life so easy and great.

- **Vedika Singh**
Hope House Captain



Saying goodbye is never easy; it takes you on an emotional rollercoaster and leaves you with nothing but vibrant memories. Four years ago, when I was eagerly waiting to start my first day in a new school and expecting what not, something really unexpected happened. Any guesses? Total lockdown throughout the nation and the world, and as the number of shutdown days increased, so did my hopes of having a proper high school experience. However, even during those dark days, there was a ray of SUNBEAM (both literally and metaphorically)—I was excited to meet the friends I had made online and respond to questions in class by raising my real hand rather than using an emoji—and gradually but surely, things started to return to normal. Over time, I made a lot of new discoveries, whether it was through QCT classes or participating in an online forum. One thing that Lahartara promises to all of its students is that it provides them with the best opportunities. I had never travelled outside of my state for longer than three weeks, much less nine months abroad. Spending such a long time in an alien nation like Japan was not always easy, but just knowing that there are people who have your back no matter what, gives you enough strength to not just survive but to conquer anything in life. It would have never been possible without the support of my family, friends, and teachers. I am forever grateful to everyone who helped me along the way. I firmly think that my core personality will always remain constant, and I can state with confidence that during my time here, it was not changed but rather enhanced.

- **Aditi Singh**, Head Internationalism



It was very easy to read farewell articles when I was in my junior classes. But now that I'm writing it down, I'm beginning to understand how difficult it actually is to pen it down. As I stand at the crossroad of endings and beginnings, I bid goodbye to the school that has been my home for 12 years. These familiar walls, classrooms, and faces have witnessed my growth, laughter, and struggles. Today, I close a chapter about friendship, teachers, and memories that have done more than I could imagine. They have shaped me into a better version of myself. It would be hard to accept that I won't listen to Aditya sir's daily motivation, which gave me enough energy to survive the day. No more complimentary snacks by teachers, wishing Jai Hind, or a random two-minute visit to the washroom simply to get a ten-minute break. My teachers, the guiding light, not only gave me knowledge but also instilled values in my core that went beyond textbooks. As I move out with a heavy heart, the connections made in the classrooms and corridors are going to stay in my heart, weaving a tapestry of memorable moments. Throughout my journey in this institution, I have grown not only as a knowledgeable being but also as an individual who knows the difference between right and wrong and the importance of ethics in life. Thank you, Sunbeam Lahartara, for making me FUTURE READY!

- **Aayush Patel**, Social and Emotional Well-being Head



As we close this chapter, may our paths be illuminated with new adventures and fond memories...

Message from Head Boy



It seems yesterday that I was holding this same newsletter and reading the Head Boy's message from batch 2016-17. Back then, I had only one thought on my mind: It must be a proud feeling to write a message as the representative of a whole batch. Now that I have begun to do so, it is indeed a proud feeling.

15 years—that's nearly 1/4th of the average life expectancy of a person. Sunbeam Lahartara gave me 15 years of unforgettable memories, countless "incidents" and lifelong learnings. As I reflect on this journey, I am indebted to a lot of people who made this a ride to cherish for eternity, and mentioning each one of them would be an impossible task to do. I am sad to be leaving the school where I have spent most of my time, but on the same note, I am excited by what is in front of me and the challenges that lie ahead.

There was an infamous streak of mine where I lost every competition that I took part in, for two years in a row. Winning a Silver or a Bronze never mattered; it was always about losing the Gold medal. But if there are people to whom I owe all of my achievements today, they are my parents, teachers, and friends, who have always backed me up. After all, Michael Jordan said, "I've missed more than 9,000 shots in my career. I've lost almost 300 games. Twenty-six times I've been trusted to take the game-winning shot and missed. I've failed over and over and over again in my life. And that is why I succeed."

To sum it all up, Lahartara has never been a place for me, it has always been a feeling. There's a quote by Wayne Gretzky that I have always admired - "I skate to where the puck is going to be, not where it has been". Lahartara, for me, was always about trying. Trying to discover the new facades of life. Trying to persevere. Trying to uncover the extraordinary. As I end this exciting chapter of my journey, allow me to remind you of words of wisdom from Samuel Beckett - "Ever tried. Ever failed. No matter. Try again. Fail again. Fail better."

- Shashwat Mishra
Head Boy



Message from Head Prefect



Well they say classes 9 to 12 are the most important classes of a student's life for this is when your ambitions start to shape into reality and I am thankful to have been shaping these ambitions with Sunbeam Lahartara. Four years ago when I was about to join Lahartara from Annapurna, I had the same hesitations, the same apprehensions that one has when changing schools, more infact because being part of the school for over 10 years. To add icing to the cake, the lockdown struck us, leaving me more unaware of what was to come. And today, when I write this Farewell message, I confirm the right thing to have come to me four years ago. Lahartara, earlier was just two very big buildings for me only until I joined and understood it was one big family. While this was one, but I had a couple of realisations through and through. This is the place I realised my true potential. Every time I unmute myself on a zoom meeting, every time I held the mic on stage, or stood to speak in the conference room, or every time I raised my hand to answer a question in class has given me piece by piece, the definition of my potential. This is the place that gave me realisation of my passion. My passion for oratory, for debating, for public speaking, for writing, for studies and a lot more included. Thankyou to the time I spent in the classroom and a bigger thankyou to the time I got to spend near the activity coordinators' office and the conference room. Thankyou for helping me expand my horizons. This is the place where I realised what leadership is especially when you are surrounded by exemplary leaders like Aditya sir. Thankyou to all teachers, who helped me to learn and grow, to the support-staff for being the pillars for the school's existence and to all my wonderful friends I made, for adding to the memories I will cherish forever. For all those who'd be writing your farewell messages next year or in years to come, don't waste one moment, time moves fast, faster than you can think, I came 4 years ago and see now. What you can do is though live each moment, use everything thing you got and be ready to accept all that the school has to offer. Trust me when I say, the school has a lot to offer and it's you who needs to be ready!

Govind Mishra
Head Prefect

Message from Head Girl



Well, I think no one teaches you how to say goodbye because we never really want to bid farewells to each other. A hope to meet again always exists, and maybe it's because of this lack of prerequisite knowledge on how to bid goodbye that this article (the one that you are reading right now) took me so long to write. Dear readers, the newsletter that you are holding in your hand right now isn't just a piece of paper but a piece of our hearts and our memories that we have created right here in this institute. To sum up 15 years of experience and memories spread over 2 schools (Sunbeam School Annapurna and Sunbeam School Lahartara), 15 classes, and an amazing set of teachers is not an easy task. So the only word that comes to my mind right now is "Thank you". As much as I want to thank all of the people who have made my journey so memorable and easy, I do realize that it is a lengthy task so let's save it for some other day. From this day onwards, I shall no longer be the head girl of the school, no more morning assemblies, no more mid-corridor conversations, and no more coming to school. I have never been good with my goodbyes, and hence I don't find enough words to describe my feelings, but I know one thing for sure that this very institute has transformed me and all of my fellow batchmates into confident individuals who are all set to face the challenges that lie ahead of us. The journey has just started. There's still so much to experience, so much to learn and unlearn, so much to grow and shine because no matter where we go, what we do in our lives, at the core of it, we are all Sunbeams that are capable enough to drive away many shadows. Now that we come to the end of this article and this journey, I remember a tiny bit of advice that my sister received on her Farewell day from someone very important and special in this School, "When times get tough, the tough get going". On this bittersweet note, here's my final goodbye. Thank you for all the love and support, and thank you for your patient reading, dear readers.

- Bhumika Sharma
Head Girl