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With BARKHA DUTT & AMISH

Famous journalist Padmashree Barkha Dutt's independent venture MoJo and Sunbeam Group hosted a talk show for the most prolific writer of contemporary times – Amish Tripathi, who enthralled the reader community with 'Shiva Trilogy' and 'Ramchandra Series', on 17th August, 2017 in

Resonance at Sunbeam Suncity. People from across the city visited Suncity to be a part of the interesting interaction between Ms. Barkha Dutt & Mr. Amish Tripathi, and were delighted to get a totally new perspective on the Mithila Princess and Rama's consort Sita, who is otherwise seen as a demure, coy and obedient daughter, sister and daughter-in-law that history and mythology has sketched.

There were a number of people in the audience, who were well versed with the episodes of Valmiki or Tulsi Ramayana, and therefore sought explanation from Amish for his character sketch of Sita as he presented in his book, which is apparently very different from the known scriptures.

The program, began with felicitations of the two personalities, by the Chairman and Director of Sunbeam Group – Mr. Deepak Madhok & Mrs. Bharti Machok, after which the Honorary Director – Mr. Harsh Madhok extended his welcome note to the special guests and the audience. This was followed by, Deep Pratisthapna at the Tulsi Vedi by all dignitaries including Mr. Kapil Kapoor & Ms. Priya Kapoor, Co-Founders of MoJo and Directors of Roli Books.

As soon as Barkha & Amish took their place on the stage, the entire auditorium fell silent that echoed their thirst and anxiety for what unfolded thereafter. Amish eloquently threw light upon his perceptions of Sita and also spoke about his yet-to-be released book – 'The Immortal India'.



The interesting interaction began with Barkha Dutt talking about the scriptures in present times, to which Amish said that scriptures and holy books teaches man, values and guides him to lead a virtuous life. Amish also said that holy books should never dictate the state machinery for then it brings chaos. Amish threw light on the state of women and the discrimination against them since times immemorial and why it is necessary to raise voice against practices derogatory to women.

Amish said that the Indian intelligentsia must raise voice against the existing colonial education system and structure the education system according to the needs of this hour, and the chief aim of educating minds should be to liberate them from narrow sectarianism and guide them to view things from a broader perspective.

Soon after, the floor was open for the audience to pose questions which Amish fielded with delight and satisfied his readers. The dignitaries present were the chairman of Sunbeam Group – Mr. Deepak Madhok, Director – Mrs. Bharti Madhok, Deputy Director – Mrs. Amrita Burman, Asst. Director – Mrs. Pratima Gupta, Honorary Director – Mr. Harsh Madhok and other members of the Board.

The valedictory address was extended by Mrs. Amrita Burman – Deputy Director of Sunbeam Group in which she thanked both Barkha Dutt & Amish for bringing such an engrossing talk show to Varanasi.




Fun Fete @ Suncity

Suncity organised a Fun Fete in Resonance today to raise funds for the NDTV Behtar India Campaign, with classes 6-12.

Food stalls, games corner, Mehendi & Tattoo Art, and Movies generated a hefty amount for the cause. A Dandiya was also arranged as an added attraction and both students & mentors participated in it. The paintings that were put up for sale, were all sold out.









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SHIAMAK and Sunbeam

- 15 day dance workshop by Shiamak Davar Institute of Dance & Performing Arts.
- 450 students participated in the workshop.
- Grand Finale witnessed **Master Marzi Pestonji** (a renowned choreographer and dancer) as the Chief Guest and **Mr Anil Kumar Rai**, Airport Director, Varanasi as Guest of Honour.
- 26 Mega presentations by students from 5 Sunbeam Institutions.

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Cyber Security Workshop

The cyber security expert Mr. Rakshit Tandon took sessions for students, teachers/hostel mentors and parents on 16th August 2017. The central focus of the workshop was to bring to the fore, certain threats that are associated with internet usage and made people aware of the cyber security measures that can help the overall global technology ecosystem. Students and mentors realised that everyone is living in an age of inter-operable digital infrastructure which is challenged by cyber risks and thus it is imperative for Internet users to seek and apply solutions for one's safety.

Heritage Week Special Assembly @ Suncity



The Heritage week began with a special assembly by the Heritage Club of Suncity on 28th August, during which students were told about the various elements that constitute our cultural heritage.

The assembly began with a joyous procession of students with the idol of Lord Ganesha entering Resonance, followed by chants and prayers.

Thereafter, Mr. Shyamji Pandey, TGT, Social Science, recited certain 'mol mantras' to the Lord of Auspicious Beginnings and enumerated upon the importance of rituals and the science behind each. Mr. Pandey also iterated that it is the responsibility of the present generation to protect, preserve and promote culture and heritage for the future generation. The soaring chants, traditional drum beats and ritualistic ceremonies ended with offering Vinayaka, sweets and flowers. As it was 'Madhyana', the Shubh Muhurat when Lord Ganesha is known to have been born, the children was also told about it. An enthralling choreography concluded the presentation.

Our Principal-Mrs. Archana Singh commended the efforts put forth by the club.

Language Lab Activity Session by Ms. Reenu Koshi

Ms Reenu Koshi conducted the session with class 5th students of Suncity School in Language Lab. Children got the opportunity to learn English Language with lots of fun and great enthusiasm. Children gave a very positive feedback on the session and stated that learning with the help of learning tools in language labs was a real good experience. Ms Koshi was thanked by all, for her motivation and support to budding lang-wizzes!



DAIRY VISIT - CLASS 2



Better seen than read' is what we believe in and that makes our students learn better. As a part of professional visit activity, children of Junior School visited Gokul Dairy and

learnt about the functioning

of a Dairy in practical. Children were excited to know the nitty-gritty of the daily activities at a milk production unit and other arrangements around it. They took home a great experience after seeing the things in real.

Intra Class Ev.S. **QUIZ COMPETITION**



The young buds of Class 2 put their best feet to fight and win amongst in the Environmental Science Quiz held on 31st August. Their positive attitude and apt responses kept the audience zapped and made the

event more than interesting to witness.

Session on Story Telling Techniques

Learning is not only for kids at Sunbeam. We believe in development of our faculty on regular basis to give our best to the kids. In one such endeavour of ours, Ms Sukanya, Headmistress Sunbeam Lahartara took a session with the teachers of Sunbeam Suncity Junior School on the techniques and styles of Story Telling. Her unique style and training expertise added to the zeal and performance of our teachers and is surely going to reflect in the students' responses in their classes and around.



Student's Forum

The students at Sunbeam share the equal responsibility to make their school the best. To ensure this we function in a way which suits and benefits our students the most, we arrange students forum on regular basis. Student's Forum for Junior School was organized to take in their feedback and give resolution to their concerns in school. Their genuine feedback and socially conscious concerns made us feel that yes, we have made the right kind of bonding with our students who can express their feelings with us as real as it has to be. This is taken as a relationship building exercise between children and the school team. The students forum was headed by the Principal and was addressed by Vice Principal, Deputy Hostel Superintendent, Academic Advisor, Academic Head of Classes 3-5 & Hostel Academic Head apart from students' representatives from classes.

Sunbeam Suncity Hostel August Month Activities

The month of August was packed with curricular & Co-curricular activities in the hostel. Unit Test copies were shown to students so that they could note down their mistakes and do not repeat them in future. Also, the countdown for Half Yearly Exams has started.

The students visited Anandi Water Park, Lucknow where they had a lot of fun and bonded with each other.

Its a matter of great pride that students of Suncity hostel participated in District Sub Junior Basketball championship and we have secured a place in the Finals.

The coming months will be about academic as Mock/Preparatory Examinations for boarders have begun as a warm up for the Half Yearly Examinations.

