

MIND TREE SCHOOL, Ambala

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#### **FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

#### KINDERGARTEN WING

Sr. no.	Competitions		Dates
1.	Clay Pot Decoration	UKG	July 09
2.	Happy Hoppers Race	Nursery	July 11
3.	Sock Steal Race	UKG	July 16
4.	Speech	LKG	July 18
5.	Hindi Recitation	Nursery	July 25
6.	English Elocution	UKG	July 30
7.	Follow the Pattern (Prelims)	UKG	August 06
8.	Follow the Pattern (Finals)	UKG	August 08
9.	Fancy Dress	LKG	August 08
10.	It's Cool in the Pool	Nursery	August 08
11.	Solo Song	UKG	August 13
12.	Catch the Mice Race	LKG.	August 22
13.	Speech	Nursery	August 22

#### **PRIMARY WING**

Sr. no.	Competitions	Dates
1.	Envelop Designing II - III	July 09
2.	English Recitation (Prelims) I	July 15
3.	English Recitation (Finals) I	July 19
4.	English Story Narration (Prelims) II - III	July 21
5.	English Story Narration (Finals) II - III	July 26
6.	Hurdle Race II - III	July 26
7.	English Speech (Prelims) I	July 28
8.	English Speech (Finals) I	August 02
9.	Patriotic Song (Prelims) II -III	August 25
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#### **SENIOR WING**

Sr. no.	Competitions		Dates
1.	Collage Making	VI - VII	July 06
2.	Collage Making	VIII-X	July 06
3.	Mono Acting (Finals)	VIII-X	July 20
4.	Collage Making	IV - V	July 20
5.	Hasya Kavita (Finals)	VI - VII	July 20
6.	Debate (Finals)	IV - V	July 27
7.	Patriotic Song (Finals)	VI - VII	August 03
8.	Elocution (Finals)	VIII-X	August 03
9.	Rakhi Making	IV - V	August 17
10.	S.St Quiz (Finals)	VIII - X	August 17
11.	G.K Quiz (Finals)	IV - V	August 24
12.	Science Ouiz (Finals)	IV - V	August 31

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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#### March 27, 2014: Hawan Ceremony:

The new session 2014-15 of Mind Tree School, Ambala City, initiated with a Hawan Ceremony on March 27, 2014. Principal, Director along with all the staff members of the school offered "Aahutis" to the holy fire and prayed to the almighty for the phenomenal success, vigour and well being of our school and every one who is a part of it.

#### March 29, 2014: 'PARICHAY' - The Orientation Day:





Every year, we organise the Orientation Day to arrange a formal introduction between our teachers and parents before the commencement of new academic session. We organised "Parichay" - the Parents Orientation Day at the school premises. The teachers welcomed all the parents to the school and acquainted them with the academic plans, procedures and facilities available at the school. They provided the parents with the opportunity to come out with their expectations and give valuable feedback. They were apprised about the school's new initiative to teach Life Skills to its students through School Cinema for Grade III and Life Skills Programme for LKG to II. It was well appreciated by all.

#### A New Beginning! New Dau,



It's the most auspicious time-the beginning of the new session. It's the time when each one of us enters the portals of school with a new dream. The students of Mind Tree, Ambala City were ushered into a new academic session with warm smiles and heartiest welcome by the Principal and staff. The students were filled with thrill and joy to step into their new classes and meet their new class incharges. Welcome tokens were given by the teachers of Kindergarten classes to their children. Grade I teachers, too, presented tokens to students on their transition from Kindergarten to a Primary class. They wished them all the best and hoped that they stay focussed and steadfast to achieve their goals.

100% ATTENDA

One of the most important steps to achieve academic success is also one of the most basic: coming to school everyday. A child's attendance is a testimony to his interest, hard-work and dedication. This year too, we had a number of students who were awarded for 100% Attendance for the session 2013-14. Such students serve as an ideal example to others for instilling virtues of punctuality and hard-work.

NUR	Nimish Maini, Parmeet Kaur, Pranav Goyal, Subhagya				
LKG	Arya Gupta, Nandini, Vidya Kumari Tripathi				
UKG	Ananya Arora, Kritagya Kapoor, Harshit Goel, Kulnoor Kaur, Lakshit Dhiman, Vinayak, Akshit Kumar Rushada V Huddar, Shivam Dawar, Kritika Aggarwal, Kabir Bhola, Pankhuri Kulshrestha, Mohak				
GRADE I Ansh Singh, Saamarth Sehgal, Hriday Tuli, Yashika Nagpal, An Harpartap Singh Punia		Ansh Singh, Saamarth Sehgal, Hriday Tuli, Yashika Nagpal, Arvind Babbar, Harpartap Singh Punia			
GRADE II		Trijal Kansal, Avik Khetarpal, Yashit Mittal			
GRADE III		Nikita Bhatnagar, Vansh Khurana, Sukriti Kumar, Naunidha S Sawhney, Kapish Garg, Akshat Jain,			

#### KINDERGARTEN WING

#### April 16, 2014: Shape it Up Competition - UKG:



Children of UKG actively participated in the craft competition where they used geometrical shaped craft papers to make images. It was indeed a surprise to see the output. The arty winners were:

	1st	2nd	3rd
Α	Akriti Mittal	Aarav Ahuja	Ananya
В	Yuvraj Kalra	Japkirat Singh	Bhavyansh Yaduvanshi
С	Tanmay Mahajan	Siah Mahajan	Japleen Kaur Sabharwal
D	Yasha Bhardwaj	Hasit Singh Hundal	Pragya Kalra
E	Aditya Guliani	Garvit Sharma	Aksh Chhabra

#### April 18, 2014: Fun with Colours Competition - LKG:

Children of LKG participated and displayed their colouring skills through a colouring competition. The kids enjoyed this competition and were able to showcase their imagination, choice of colours and creativity. It was a pleasure to watch these tiny tots work with such ease. It was an enjoyable day for them. Winners were selected on the basis of overall aesthetic appeal. They were:

	1st	2nd	3rd
Α	Himani	Aanya Sharma	Navdeep Kaur
В	Cshaarvi Papneja	Naisha Sood	Ekaspreet Singh
С	Lakshita Bhatnagar	Kashvi Bhardwaj	Saanvi Jain
D	Aarav Mittal	Avika Mittal	Ekam Kaur
E	Jaanya Sabharwal	Armaan Mahajan	Jai Ahuja

#### April 22, 2014: Special Assembly on Earth Day - LKG:

Earth Day is a good time to commit to learn more about the environment and how you can help to protect it. So, a special assembly was conducted to create awareness about the day.



#### April 23, 2014: Speech on Moral Value - UKG:

A speech competition was organised to develop verbal skills of the students. It was amazing to hear children speak about moral values i.e. Respect Others and Be Fair and Just. The best speakers were:

	1st	2nd	3rd
Α	Vedika Bhardwaj	Kavya Dugala	Angel Ahuja
В	Japkirat Singh	Swastik Saini	Misthi Gupta
С	Jasnum Sawhney	Riddhaan Sharma	Araisha Arora
D	Yaasha Bhardwaj	Rhythm Kalra	Kawangun S. Sawhney
Е	Shiven Sangwan	Aksh Chhabra	Jiya Arora

April 24, 2014: Field Trip to Herbal Park - LKG:



Students were overjoyed when they went for a trip to Herbal Park. It was a day full of fun. They enjoyed exploring nature and playing with their classmates and teachers. It was a wonderful picnic indeed!

#### April 25, 2014: String the Aqua Beads Competition - LKG:



This was an excellent competition promoting children's development of fine motor skills and visual - perceptual skills. It was a special competition for kids as they enjoyed stringing aqua beads in water. The winners were:

	1st	2nd	3rd			
Α	Himani	Trisha Sachdeva	Navdeep Kaur			
	Arnav Singla	Aaditya Bhardwaj	Aayush Gupta			
В	Anvi Goel	Deepti Chhabra	Cshaarvi Papneja			
	Satvik Goel	Shivaansh Dawar	Raghav Goyal			
С	Niyati Punyani	Varisha Sirohi	Kanushi			
	Sarthak Aggarwal	Namit Grover	Aryan Mittal			
D	Dimpi	Parneet Kaur	Dishita Bindra			
	Ansh	Ujjwal Chauhan	Nishkarsh Wadhera			
E	Ishika Saini	Samaira	Divyanshi Mahajan			
	Udbhav	Jai Ahuja	Armaan Mahajan			

April 26, 2014: Field Trip to City Park - UKG:



May 1, 2014: Special Assembly on Labour Day:



Mind Tree celebrated 'Labour Day', an important event in the school calendar with great fervour and zeal. The school has always acknowledged and appreciated the contribution of its workforce. On the occasion, a special assembly was conducted by the students. The morning prayer was followed by a dance and a skit portraying 'Dignity of Labour'. The kids stirred the souls of one and all.

May 9, 2014: Special Assembly on Mother's Day:



#### May 9, 2014:50 Metre Race - Nursery:

The little ones were brimming with excitement and energy as they competed in the 50 metre Race. It seemed as if they had suddenly developed wings as they flew fast to the finishing line. The best athletes were:

	1st	2nd	3rd
Α	Nishchay Jain	Pratham Gambhir	Gaurish Aneja
	Arshiya Jain	Rishima Aggarwal	Diya Sethi
В	Daksh Walia	Devan Jaglan	Arrnit Jain
	Jahnavi	Avi Raghuvanshi	Bisman Kaur Bhatia
С	Nabhya Raj, Hargun Kaur,	Rehaan Kumar	Kriday Kukreja
	Sunakshi Som	Samar Sharma	Seerat Mohindroo
D	Moulik Bajaj	Angad Singh Dhillon	Saksh Ahuja
	Anshika Bansal	Neeya Sethi	Seerat Gill
Е	Chandrabh S. Uppal	Aarav Prashar	Atharva Gupta
	Rabiya Bhola	Saachi Nanda	Navika Jain

#### May 9, 2014: Field Trip to Flour and Oil Mill - UKG:

Children were taken to the oil and flour mill. They saw how oil is extracted from mustard seeds and how flour is grounded from wheat grains. This trip provided them information and added to their knowledge.

May 9, 2014: English Recitation Competition - LKG:



Recitation is an art of expression of thoughts and understanding. The kids had learnt their poems by heart. They were flawless, full of confidence and poised. The proud reciters were:

	1st	2nd	3rd
A	Trisha Sachdeva	Yukti Malik	Navdeep Kaur
В	Gauransh Jain	Nehmat Arora	Sahaj Guliani
С	Chhavi Bajaj	Sarthak Aggarwal	Aastik Arora
D	Avika Mittal	Avani Aggarwal Khushi Makkar	Anshuman Pundir
E	Parav Sharma	Gurman Kaur Walia	Ruhin Jain

#### May 14, 2014: Action Replay Race - UKG:

The importance of sports in the life of a young student is invaluable and instils lessons that are essential for life. It plays a pivotal role in helping them learn values like discipline, responsibility and self-confidence. The students showed utmost strength, vigour and discipline during the Action Replay Race. Their performance stimulated the atmosphere and made it absolutely electrifying. The best racers were:

	1st	2nd	3rd
Α	Milan Mehndiratta	Mayank Budhiraja	Madhav Narula
	Vedika Bharadwaj	Drishti	Rawya Bhatia
В	Aadhish Parashar	Japkeerat Singh	Shivay Sachdeva
	Akarshi Bansal	Harmanpreet Kaur	Mishika Bansal
С	Aastik Saini	Karan Vohra	Pranav Goyal
	Siah Mahajan	Rishika Saini	Araisha Arora
D	Het Tejaskumar Modi	Nakul Puri	Shorya Sharma
	Yaasha Bhardwaj	Vaibhavi Gupta	Sameeha Garg
E	Anshika Singhal	Ashmita Nagpal	Jiya
	Pranshu Prashar	Shiven Sangwan	Bhavya Puri

May 16, 2014: Field Trip to Fire Station - LKG:



#### May 16, 2014: Colouring Competition - Nursery:

Colouring Competition was conducted for students of Nursery. The teacher provided sheets to the students and guided them to use different colour



schemes. The aim of the competition was to give opportunity to the children to present their colouring skills. The little ones took time and did not seem to be in a hurry to complete the colouring. The best performers were:

	1st	2nd	3rd
A	Shaurya Sethi	Vibhore Aggarwal	Annanya Bindra
В	Jahnavi	Avi Raghuvanshi	Aarav Sirpal
С	Omisha Bahoray	Aasma Bakshi	Reet Gupta
D	Saksh Ahuja	Hemanya Saini	Anshika Bansal
E	Muskaan Goyal	Saachi Nanda	Aanya Jain

#### May 21, 2014: English Recitation Competition - UKG:

Poetry is the essence of literature. To spread the aroma of poetry, English Recitation competition was held for UKG. The main aim was to improve recitation skills and help them overcome stage fright. The students participated with great enthusiasm and recited beautiful poems. Children augmented their performance by using props. The kids who bagged prizes were:

	1st	2nd	3rd
Α	Mayank Budhiraja	Akriti Mittal	Adviti Bharti Gupta
В	Mishika Bansal	Tanveer Singh	Bhavyansh Yadhuvanshi
С	Araisha Arora	Mannat Budhiraja	Japleen K Sabharwal
D	Kawangun S Sawhney	Pragya Kalra	Rhythm Kalra
E	Aksh Chhabra	Bhavya Puri	Dev Kalra

#### May 23, 2014: Water Balloon Toss Competition - LKG:



Pool games are always fun for the kids. To prove the same, water balloon toss competition was organised for our children! They participated with great excitement. The winners were:

	1st	2nd	3rd
Α	Kartik Sehgal	Sachkirat Singh	Yatharth S. Negi
	Samreet Kaur	Aanya Sharma	Himani
В	Sujal Sabharwal	Shivaansh Dawar	Satvik Goel
	Misha Nagpal	Nehmant Arora	Cshaarvi Papneja
С	Aryan Mittal	Namit Grover	Sarthak Aggarwal
	Varisha Sirohi	Vanshika Malik	Lakshita Bhatnagar
D	Aavik Batra	Aarav Bansal	Nishkarsh
	Khushi Makkar	Karuna	Bhargavi
E	Anmol Kharbanda	Naman Garg	Armaan Mahajan
	Manya	Ishika Saini	Jaanya Sabharwal

## **PRIMARY WING**

# ਵਿਰਸੇ ਦੀ ਪਹਿਚਾਣ

The school campus transformed into a beautiful landscape of the colourful state of Punjab.A realistic portrayal of Punjabi heritage, its surroundings, environs and buildings with cultural motifs and ethnicity adorned every nook and corner of the school. We organised Baisakhi Festivities, keeping in mind the growing need to appris<mark>e ou</mark>r st<mark>udent</mark>s with the true herit<mark>ag</mark>e and culture of Punjab which sadly, has lost its sheen in the young generation, under the thick smoke of westernisation and modernisation. Narrators impersonated the ideal Punjabi joint family and led the audience through the programme, adding quirky remarks, jokes and anecdotes based on the Punjabi society. They spoke about Baisakhi; its origin and relevance. The show commenced with the recital of the Mool Mantra and Shabad, "Gur ka Darshan". Students presented Punjabi folk dance forms that were till now unknown to most of the people and gave information about the origin and traditional aspect of dance forms like "Sammi", "Luddi", "Jindwa", "Sufi" and "Jhumar". The guests were welcomed at the school entrance which was transformed into a Punjabi Haweli- a true symbol of Punjab and its grandeur. Swaying Rabi crops and an open Punjabi Rasoi showcased the various aspects of rural Punjab. The stage took shape of a typical village, complete with the setup of the village gathering point, the village well; and the rural girls shown working on "charkha" and "phulkaari". Musicians were called from Punjab to render music to the show on dhol, tumbi, harmonium and algoza- the traditional musical instruments of Punjab. Live singing gave a rustic feel to the folk songs and was enjoyed by one and all. The day ended with the singing of the National Anthem and parents went back feeling energetic and overjoyed by the day's proceedings.













April, 19, 2014: Creative Drawing Competition- Grade II - III:





"Yesterday is history, tomorrow is a mystery and today is a gift, that's why we call it the present." Help save the Earth today! Similar thoughts echoed in our students' minds and adorned their drawing sheets as they participated in the Creative Drawing Competition. Students were encouraged to create artwork that reflected the competition theme 'Effects of Global Warming' through sketching, drawing and painting. Such events help boost the spirit of humanism and generosity towards our planet. The winners were:

	1st	2nd	3rd
II	Soneera Tewari - D	Siddharth Aggarwal - A	Yuvika Kalra - D
Ш	Ishika Gupta - A	Baani - C	Aarav Mittal - C

April 19, 2014: English Calligraphy Competition - Grade I:

	1st	2nd	3rd
1	Anhad Kaur Antal - C	Prachi Sharma - A	Soumil Thapar - B

#### April 20, 2014: Special Assembly on Earth Day:

Earth Day was observed in our school. Students were apprised of the problems that are faced by our planet which is being run down by humans in the reckless drive towards modernism and mechanisation. The planet along with the five elements necessary for its survival, were enacted by students of Grade I C. They spread the message of joining hands to save our mother Earth and help it in regaining its lost beauty and glory.

## April 26, 2014: Calligraphy Competition - Grade II - III:

"Certainly, the art of writing is the most miraculous of all things ... man has devised." Basically, calligraphy means writing beautifully. Calligraphy competition was organised, aiming to encourage children to write neatly and present the content in a proper manner. Such competitions are a successful way to make students realise the importance of good handwriting.

	1st	2nd	3rd
II Gneev Randhawa - B		va - B Ikjot Kaur - B Keshav Mitt	
Ш	Shree Chauhan - B	Naivedya Jain - D	Aishika Gosain - D

#### April 26, 2014: Hindi Story Narration Competition - Grade II - III:

Imagination is the key to creativity and children can be trained in many ways to develop stronger skills of imagination. One of the ways is storytelling which teaches children about the world, provides real-world social interaction and develops both knowledge and love for stories. With this view, we organised a Hindi Story Telling Competition. A preliminary round was conducted in the respective classes and the selected students participated zealously and impressed the audience with their confidence. The activity helped the students to imbibe good moral values and enhance their vocabulary and oratory skills. The best narrators were:

	1st	2nd	3rd
П	Varuni Huddar - D	Ruhaan Jain - A	Ishbir Singh - C
Ш	Pranav Arora - E	Aishika Gosain - D	Vidushi Jain - B

April, 26, 2014: Long Jump Competition - Grade II - III:

Games and sports are an integral part of our curriculum. Organising different sports competitions leads to the holistic development of our students and helps us to reach out and recognise their potential. We organised Long Jump Competition for the students with the aim of



educating them about this sport. The winners were:

	1st	2nd	3rd
II	Anmol Singh - D Akshara Gupta - C	Angad Singh - A Samiksha - A	Arpit Ghanghash - C Pritika Anand - C
Ш	Aryav Jain - D Ayushi khilery - B	Parth Sethi - A Mannat Dhiman - B	Krish Bansal - B Anasuya Bhatnagar - D

#### May 3, 2014: Post Card Making - Grade I:

A Card Making activity for students was organized by the school. As Mother's Day was approaching, the students of Grade I displayed creativity and innovation in making bright cards for their mothers. The cards were posted in a special post box and were later mailed by the school to their respective mothers by post.



May 3, 2014: Hindi Calligraphy Competition - Grade I:

Mind Tree School always lays stress on correct formation of strokes and also on the neatness of handwriting. Hindi Calligraphy Competition was organised with the same motive on 3rd May 2014. The students were encouraged to write in a neat and proper manner. The letter formation was appreciable as the judges had a hard time choosing the best writers. They were:

	1st	2nd	3rd
1	Anhad Kaur Antal - C	Kulnoor Kaur Dhindsa - D	Muskan Kochar - B

May 9, 2014: Mother's Day Celebration:



"God couldn't be everywhere, so he created mothers."

Mothers are the first introduction of a child to the novel world. They serve as the first teachers, mentors and friends. Students of Grade I organised a special assembly on the occasion of Mother's Day under the wings of their mother teachers.

Grade I A performed a Punjabi Dance which was full of emotions and was heart touching. Students of Grade I B depicted a short skit on Mother Teresa, the ever so loving and affectionate motherly figure; and her teachings. The delicate relation between a son and his mother was displayed through a play performed by Grade IC. "Mamma I love you" was echoed in the auditorium by students of Grade I D in a dance performance. Students of I E recited a poem on Mother's Day.

May 17, 2014: Investiture Ceremony:





A solemn investiture ceremony was held to give the oath of allegiance and to transfer responsibility to all the office bearers of the Student Councils for Session 2014-15. The School council members are the chosen few upholding the values that the school stands for. They are like the beacon occupying the most coveted positions, providing direction to their friends and juniors and aiding the smooth governance of the school. We wish them all the best for this session! The elected Council Members are as follows:

	Head Boy	Head Girl	Sports Captain	Cultural Captain
Ш	Aryav Jain - D	Vrinda Gambhir - B	Sharang Sabharwal - C	Aishika Gosian - D

	Agni	Aakash	Prithvi	Jal
Captain	Madhavan - III C	Siya Malik - III C	Jai Aditya - III A	Tara Aggarwal - III E
Vice Captain	Shree Chauhan - III B	Vinya - III E	Nabhit Singhal - III C	Sparsh Goyal - III D
Prefect	Saket Garg - III A	Keshav Goel - III B	Kripa Anand - III A	Nandini Aggarwal - III E

May 17, 2014: One Legged Race - Grade II - III:



The students participated in the One Legged race and displayed great strength and agility as they hopped on one leg to the finish line. It was a physical challenge met with the utmost capacity by boys and girls of Grade II and III. The winners were:

	1st	2nd	3rd
П	Ansh - A Sukhleen Kaur - B	Anmol Singh - D Angel Aggarwal - D	Arpit Ghanghas - C Samiksha Gulati - A
Ш	Parth Sethi - A Nandini Aggarwal - E	Vaibhav Gaba - A Ayushi Khilery - B	Neil Kashyap - D Baani - C

May 17, 2014: Elocution Competition - Grade II - III:



Elocution is the art of delivering spoken language in the best way to express the sense, beauty and force of the words. We organised this competition to judge our students' confidence and speaking skills. They came out as confident speakers who possessed clear *enunciation*, just *expression* and appropriate *gesture*. The best speakers were:

	1st	2nd	3rd
Ш	Yashvi Jain - A	Ishbir Singh - C	Harshik Jain - D
Ш	Pranav Arora - E	Aanya Gandhi - A	Jashanpreet Singh - B

#### May 20, 2014: Spelling Bee Competition - Grade I:

The students of Grade I participated in the Spell Bee competition and showcased their spellings and memorising capacities as a number of winners from all the sections were selected. Such events lift up our spirits and strengthen our belief in our teaching methods and policies. The long list of the winning spell bees bears testimony to it. 53 Students won the laurels.

#### May 23, 2014: Special Assembly on Effective Communication:

"To effectively communicate, we must realize that we are all different in the way we perceive the world and use this understanding as a guide to our communication with others."

Tony Robbins

Students of Grade III A showcased how incomplete information and ineffective communication can cause barriers between people, through a play depicting a classroom scene where a newly admitted child struggled to settle in and make friends due to futile communiqué. The play was applauded by all and the message was well understood by our students that effective communication is the key to successful relations too.

#### May 30, 2014: World Environment Day:

World Environment Day is celebrated annually on June 5th. It was created to inspire people around the globe to become active about the environment and learn ways which can help to make our planet safe.

In order to create awareness of the various ways to save our planet, Soneera Tewari of II-D gave a beautiful speech which was thought provoking and inspiring.

#### May 30, 2014: Special Assembly on Self Discipline:

The young actors of GradeIII B enacted a jungle scene to apprise the audience about the virtue of **Self Discipline**. They spread the message that Self-discipline is an act of cultivation. It requires you to connect today's actions to tomorrow's results. The message was aptly absorbed by the students and enjoyed by one and all.

## INTER-SCHOOL SKATING CHAMPIONSHIP

was held in Angel Public School on 17th May in which a number of students participated and came out with flying colours.

Name	Class & Sect	ion	Medal
Udayveer S Chadha	UKG - A	•	W
Sameeha Garg	UKG - D		
Dev Kalra	UKG - E	-	
Manveer Singh	I - B		W
Poorva Goyal	II - C		
Harjot Singh Narula	UKG - E	•	
Parmeet Singh	I - B	•	
Siddharth Aggarwal	II - A		<b>W</b>
Shaurya Khurana	II - E		
Mannat Arya	III - A		
Aryav Jain	III - D		
Bhuwan Bajaj	UKG - A		W 3
Tanveer Singh	UKG - B		W
Harsimar Kaur	I-E	9	W
Ruhaan Jain	II - A		W

#### **SENIOR WING**

#### March 28, 2014: Hawan Ceremony:

As per our culture and tradition, the blessings of goddess Saraswati were invoked. A havan was organised in which all the staff members along with the Director, Mr. Deepak Mongia and the Principal Mrs. Sudha Mathur were present.

#### March 29, 2014: 'Parichay' - The Orientation Programme:

'Before embarking on a new journey, it is essential for both parents and teachers to know each other well'-with this objective in mind, a formal meeting was held. The teachers apprised the parents of the curriculum, evaluation system, the latest methodologies and extra curricular activities to be followed during the new session. Special emphasis was laid on Life Skills, which is a new feature that has been incorporated this year. Parents and teachers departed on a positive note, promising to work hand in hand for the betterment of the children.

#### March 29, 2014: Children's Literature Festival:

Students from class VIII attended 'Chandigarh Children's Literature Festival,' organised at Tagore Theatre. The ethos of the festival was to enthuse the children about reading. They experienced first hand interaction with celebrated authors. Aarushi, Khushi, Astitav and Surya Rana were called on the stage to enact a scene from Natasha Sharma's book, History Mystery. It was an interesting and educational outing indeed!!

#### April 2, 2014: New session - Special Assembly:

The day began on a bright and enthusiastic note as it was a special day both for Mind Tree School, Panjokhra and the new batch of grade - IV children who had graduated from the Junior Wing. The students were set to face challenges of the new session. They were very keen to join the main stream and be a part of the school.

There was a special assembly where Suhani and Garv Singh Rathore of V B welcomed the students and assured them of a congenial and happy atmosphere. The school choir welcomed them with a melodious song. Cards and sweets further added a sweet note.

#### April 21, 2014: Special Assembly Value of the week - 'Kindness':

Kindness and tolerance are two great aspects of every human personality which make us prized parts of a civilized society. The main theme of the week, 'Kindness', was followed up with great enthusiasm. Reet Mahajan of IV A recited a beautiful poem. She said that kindness is a precious and priceless jewel which can be given to others, it does not need money but requires the rare qualities of care, affection and love. It is the best way to salvation and peace.

"Kindness can be shown by any heart pure like gold"

#### April 5, 2014: Saturday Programme:



Saturday Programme was launched in the school for the first time. Children took to it like a fish takes to water. A flurry of activities followed. The students from Grade IV onwards had House Meetings, Club activities and workshops on various subjects. Children took part in 100 mtrs, 200 mtrs and Sack races, while the Club participation was in itself a pleasure which was further accentuated by two breaks.

#### April 18, 2014: 'Virse De Pehchan':

'ਵਿਰਸੇ ਦੀ ਪਹਿਚਾਣ', a cultural programme highlighting the rich cultural heritage of Punjab was staged. The whole school wore the aura of a Punjabi village. The audience were greeted by a gate resembling the entrance door of a Haveli. Next they were welcomed by the auspicious Kalash and wheat sheaf decoration, not to miss the traditional 'chulha' (complete with 'upple' and 'balan') and an 'alaha'

(for keeping diyas). The stage was an art masterpiece. It gave the impression of a golden wheat field, replete with rustic elements like the village well, ladies drawing water, a Gurudwara Sahib and a 'majh' (buffalo). The traditional dances like Luddi, Sammi, Jhummar, Jindwa and Bhangra rocked the stage, while the Welcome Song, Shabad and Sufi dance spread the fragrance of religious fervour. All the dances were set like jewels in the beautifully scripted play which was entirely in Punjabi verse. It was indeed a beauty and was well appreciated by the audience.









April 22, 2014: Assembly - VI - VII:

"We don't inherit the Earth from our ancestors, we borrow it from our children"

Aayush Goel of class VII A spoke on 'Conservation of Trees' for better life on earth. He urged everyone to plant a sapling to maintain "The Go Green Culture of Earth".

"Forget not that the earth delights to feel your bare feet and wind longs to play with your hair."

#### April 23, 2014: Assembly - VIII - X:

Navreet Kaur of grade - IX A recited a poem "Reflections" where she dwelled on the various flaws a person has, and how one yearns for perfection, beauty and confidence. However she stated that -

Beauty comes from deep within, It's not a surface thingand that one must be one self, only then real beauty shines through.

#### April 23, 2014: Women's Political Empowerment Day:

Margret Thatcher once said, "If you want something, ask a man, if you want something to be done, ask a woman". On the occasion of Women's Political Empowerment Day, Bhavya Gupta of grade IX A threw light on powerful political leaders of the fairer sex. She spoke about a famous Indian diplomat and politician, Vijay Lakshmi Nehru, the sister of Pandit Jawahar Lal Nehru. She was the only woman ambassador who served three prized ambassadorial posts at Moscow, Washington and London. According to her, politics is a means of social and economic reforms which strengthens human rights and empowers women. Her great writings consist of, The Evolution of India (1958) and The Scope of Happiness: A Personal Memoir (1979).

#### April 25, 2014: General Assembly on Earth Day:





A skit "The Earth is Sick" was presented by class IV. The tiny new entrants of grade IV C revealed their mettle through the enactment of a skit wherein participants showed the reasons of global warming through personification. Jasmanpreet, Nandini, Khushboo, Radhika, Aditi, Vibhor & Vansh indeed gave a creditable performance.

Aditi Manchanda of class V C gave a talk on "Global Warming". She informed the students about the causes of global warming which is a major cause of concern. It is mainly caused by pollution, deforestation and increase in the extent of carbon dioxide. She laid emphasis on a few points to reduce global warming. She suggested simple measures like replacing regular bulbs with CFLs and suggested everyone to walk, use a bike or car-pool.

#### April 26, 2014: Saturday Programme:



Saturday Programme which began on a very enthusiastic note was taken well by all the students as their eagerness and excitement was visible with their impatience to start on the new activities for that day. The finalists of the races which took place the week before, were all set for their activities. The athletic field was full of excited, bubbly and enthusiastic students. Simultaneously, workshops and club activities were organised for all the other classes. The winners were:

## 100 Mt. Race - Boys - VIII - X:

	Jal House	Prithvi House	Akash House
	Subodh Mittal - IX A	Maheep Singh - X	Dhananjay Chaudhary - VIII A

#### 100 Mt. Race - Girls - VIII - X:

Agni House	Agni House	Akash House
Muskaan Chhabra - IX B	Vanshika Pruthi - IX A	Amisha Budhiraja - IX A

#### 200 Mt. Race - Boys - VIII - X:

Akash House	Jal House	Agni House
Dhananjay Chaudhary - VIII A	Subodh Mittal - IX A	Siddhant Gambhir - X

#### 200 Mt. Race - Girls - VIII - X:

Agni House	Agni House	Jal House
Vanshika Pruthi - VIII A	Muskaan Chhabra - IX B	Shreya Kundu - IX A

#### 200 Mt. Sack Race - Boys - VIII - X:

Akash House	Prithvi House	Jal House
Manan Gupta - X	Maheep Singh - X	Tarush Gupta - IX B

#### 200 Mt. Sack Race - Girls - VIII - X:

Akash House	Agni House	Agni House
Eva Kumar - IX B	Khushi Jain - VIII A	Vanshika Pruthi - IX A

#### 200 Mt. Three Legged Race - Boys - VIII - X:

Jal House	Prithvi House	Agni House
Sadhil Chhabra - IX A	Dhruv Singhal - X	Manan Sood- IX B
Geetansh Sahni - IX B	Maheep Singh Sodhi - X	Siddharth Kalra - IX A

#### 200 Mt. Three Legged Race - Girls - VIII - X:

Prithvi House	Agni House	Agni House
Samriti Batra - IX B	Vanshika Pruthi - IX A	Arusha Maken - X
Deergha Gandhi - IX B	Muskaan Chhabra- IX B	Rouble Vohra - X

#### April 26, 2014: Field Trip for Dispersal of Seeds:

The students of grade - V visited the nearby woods for collection of different kinds of seeds which had been dispersed from their mother plant. This was a worthwhile experience an they participated enthusiastically. They were very inquisitive about how the seeds were dispersed. Their elation was written large on their faces. Back in school, they sorted the seeds according to their characteristics & the way of dispersal.





#### April 27, 2014: Assembly Grade IV & V:

"Striving for success without hard work is like trying to harvest where you haven't planted."

Chaitanya of grade V A emphasised on the importance of hard work. When you discipline yourself to do what is hard, you gain access to a realm of results that are denied to everyone else. The willingness to do what is difficult is like having a key to a special private treasure room. The nice thing about hard work is that it is universal. It does not matter what industry you are in, hard work can be used to achieve a higher position and ensures long term results. Ananya and Akanksha of VI C spoke on the value of hardwork. Palak of grade VI C recited a poem on the above value and stressed that to achieve success, toiling is essential.

#### April 30, 2014: Anti Child Labour Day:

Child labour refers to the employment of children in any work that deprives children of their childhood, interferes with their ability to attend regular school and is mentally, physically, socially, and morally dangerous and harmful. The practice is considered exploitative by all international organisations. Legislations across the world prohibit child labour. Poverty and lack of schools are considered as the primary causes of child labour. Jatin and Ridhi of VIII B presented a conversation on child labour in the morning assembly.

#### May 01, 2014: Labour Day -





"Labour was the first price, the original purchase money that was paid for all things. It was not by gold or silver but by labour, that all wealth of the world was originally purchased."

'Adam Smith'

To celebrate the economic and social achievements of workers, Labour Unions all over the World started celebrating 1st May as Labour Day. It is also popularly known as May Day.

Students of Theatre Club presented a colourful programme, full of songs, dances and a skit in recognition of their services and to thank them for making our life comfortable. They praised all of them with beautiful and respectful words. Students of grade IX arranged for a sumptuous lunch and themselves served them. As a mark of appreciation and in acknowledgment of their tireless hard work, the management showered them with gifts.

It is very aptly said:-

# God give me work till my life shall end and life till my work is done.

#### May 3, 2014: World Press Freedom Day:

Aahna Jain of VB spoke and enlightened the students about World Press Freedom Day when the press got the right to print, speak and express completely and fully.

Journalism provides a platform for informed discussion across a wide range of development issues - from environmental challenges and scientific progress to gender equality, youth engagement and peace building. Only when journalists are able to monitor, investigate and criticise policies and actions, can good

governance exist. UNESCO marks World Press Freedom Day each year by bringing together media professionals, press freedom organisations and UN agencies to assess the state of press freedom world wide and discuss solutions for addressing challenges.

#### May 3, 2014: Races:

Competitions fill our lives with challenges and bring out the best of potential, hence, it is very necessary to have races and fun activities in schools. The following races were held and the winners were:

#### 100 Mt. Race - Boys IV - V:

Akash House	Agni House	Jal House
Manan Garg - V A	Abhinav Saroya - VA	Suryansh Garg - V B

#### 100 Mt. Race - Girls IV - V:

Agni House	Akash House	Prithvi House
Tanishika Kalra - V A	Deepika Sharma - V C	Jasmeet Kaur - IV D

#### 200 Mt. Race - Boys IV - V:

Prithvi House	Jal House	Prithvi House
Avneet Singh - V B	Suryansh Garg - V B	Raghav Khurana - V A

#### 200 Mt. Race - Girls IV - V:

Agni House	Jal House	Akash House
Archi Oberoi - IV A	Shiny Pall - V A	Rupanshi Goel - IV D

#### Sack Race - Girls IV - V:

Prithvi House	Akash House	Prithvi House
Varnika Sharma - V B	Jasleen Kaur - V C	Shreya Sethi - V B

#### Sack Race - Boys IV - V:

Prithvi House	Akash House	Akash House
Raghav Khurana - V A	Yashdeep Rao - V B	Sagar Nain - V B

#### Three Legged Race - Boys IV - V:

Prithvi House	Jal House	Akash House
Raghav Khurana - V A	Simrat Singh Dhindsa - V B	Dhruv Kashyap - V A
Parth Chhabra - V B	Nimrat Singh - V A	Yashdeep Rao - V B

#### Three Legged Race - Girls IV - V:

Akash House	Agni House	Prithvi House
Tejasvbir Kaur - IV D	Shreeya Uppal - IV D	Jasmeet Kaur - IV D
Vishu - IV D	Kritika Sakhuja - IV B	Varnika Sharma- V B

#### 100 Mt. Race - Girls VI - VII:

Jal House	Akash House	Akash House
Ojas Jain - VII B	Aditi - VII C	Jahanvi Virmani - VII A

#### 200 Mt. Race - Boys VI - VII:

	Agni House	Akash House	Agni House
	Yethaarth Pall - VI A	Rakshit Kakran - VI B	Ansh Nagrath - VII A

#### 200 Mt. Race - Girls VI - VII:

Jal House	Akash House	Prithvi House
Ojas Jain - VII B	Aditi - VII C	Yati Bajaj - VI B

#### Sack Race Boys - VI - VII:

Akash House	Agni House	Prithvi House
Rakshit Kakran - VI B	Aadi Jain - VI C	Rupansh Singla - VII A

#### Sack Race Girls VI - VII:

Jal House	Agni House	Akash House
Ojas Jain - VII B	Jasmin Wadhwan - VI A	Jahanavi Virmani - VII A

#### Three Legged Race Boys VI - VII:

Agni House	Jal House	Akash House
Aditya Bindal - VI A Anmol Chawla- VI A		Himansh Narula - VII C Harman Papneja - VII B

## Three Legged Race Girls VI - VII:

Prithvi House	Jal House	Akash House
Priyanshi Garg - VII C	Ojas Jain - VII B	Bhavika Jain - VII A
Srishti - VII C	Shreya Khubber - VII B	Aditi- VII C

#### May 3, 2014: Mask Making Competition - IV & V:





Students of class IV & V very enthusiastically participated in the mask making competition. Their ideas and artistic qualities surprised everyone. The winners were:

1st	2nd	3rd
Nandini Singla - IV C	Aseemjot Singh - IV D	Krati Mahajan - IV A Vishvas Anand - IV B
Nimisha Awasthi - V B	Sukhmannat Kaur - V A	Dhananjay - V B Devansh Aggarwal  - V C

#### May 3, 2014: Turn And Twist a Story Competition - IV & V:

Children surprise you if they are allowed to explore their world of imagination. In the twist and turn of the story competition, students presented great ideas of their fantasy world. The old stories appeared like old wine in new bottles!!!! The winners were:

1st	2nd	3rd
Akshit Vij - IV A	Yash Garg - IV C Ananya Chadha- IV B	Sagan Aggarwal - IV A
Keshav Pal - V B	Shreya Sethi - V B	Riddhi Jain - V C Aahna Jain - V B

#### May 3, 2014: Nutritious Recipe Competition - VIII - X:

To be healthy is an integral part of our personality. Health does not mean to be free from any illness or disease, it means to stay physically and mentally fit. Proper nutrition is the base of our health. Students of grade VIII - X surprised us with a variety of nutritious and balanced diet recipes. Their innovations were worth admiring. The winners were:

1st	2nd	3rd
Mehanksha Sethi - IX B		Sukant Jain - VIII A Sanyam Mohindroo - IX A

#### May 6, 2014: Value week "Tolerance":

Tolerance is the willingness to accept feelings, habits or beliefs that are different from your own, the ability to, experience or survive something harmful or unpleasant.

Thwisha, Diksha and Aditi of VII C presented a conversation on Tolerance in the morning assembly. They cited examples of tolerance in life styles, religions and habits of people.

"As you walk through forests, Or the meadows of your mind Stop and talk to those you fear, Good friendship you may find."

#### May 7, 2014: Rabindra Nath Tagore Jayanti:

It was the 153<sup>rd</sup> birth anniversary of Gurudev Rabindra Nath Tagore - Nobel Laureate - poet, novelist, musician, painter and playwright. He was a freedom fighter and educational reformist. He was known for his experimental school at Shanti Niketan but it was his poetry that caught the imagination of his country men and the world. An eye opening excerpt from one of his poems:

"Go not to the temple to put flowers upon the feet of God First fill your own house with the fragrance of love. Go not to the temple to light candle before the altar of God First remove the darkness of sin from your heart."

Ashish Gulati of grade IX B presented a short enactment of Kabuliwala in the assembly which is one of the best works of the great writer.

#### May 9, 2014: Mother's Day !!!!:

Mother's Day is celebrated on every Second Sunday of May. This day is a celebration honouring mothers and motherhood, maternal bonds and influence of mothers in the formation of personality of all people.

"Mothers hold their childrens' hand for short while But their hearts forever."

Students of grade X presented an interesting and emotional play depicting the irreplaceable place of mothers in families and the life of children. They communicated that mothers have to be revered and looked up to and must not be taken for granted for ......

"If you have a mother, cherish her with care You will know her value, when you see her not there"

#### May 12, 2014: Value of the Week 'Discipline':

Discipline - an integral part of a child's growing up, teaches him self control, self direction, competence and a sense of caring.

"Do not train a child to learn by force or harshness, but direct him to do it by what amuses his mind so that you may be better able to discover with accuracy the peculiar bent of the genius in each child." Manya Saxena and Yash of grade IV C spoke on the importance of discipline.

#### May 14, 2014: Buddha Purnima:

Vesak (Buddha Purnima, Buddha Jayanti) is a Buddhist festival that marks Gautama Buddha's birth and enlightenment. It falls on the day of the full moon in May. This date was formalised at the first conference of the world Fellowship of the Buddhists held in Colombo, Sri Lanka in May 1950. The wooden wheel or the Dharma Chakra with eight spokes is a symbol, often seen during Vesak. The wheel represents Buddha's teachings for the path to enlightenment. The eight spokes symbolise the noble eightfold path of Buddhism. Astitav Mittal of VIII A gave an informative talk about Gautam Buddha on Budh Purnima.

#### May 14, 2014: International Family Day:

Rupanshi Goel of IV D informed the students about the importance of families. The International Day of Families is an occasion to reflect on the importance of families, people, societies and cultures around the world. It has been held every year since 1995.

This day highlights the importance of families. It aims at fostering equality and bringing about a fuller sharing of domestic responsibilities. It tends to promote the inherent strength of families, including their great capacity of self-reliance and stimulates self sustaining activities.

#### May 17, 2014: Investiture Ceremony:

The only thing constant in this world is change. Change is inevitable for progress.

"The old order changeth, Yielding place to new
And God fulfils Himself in many ways
Forward forward let us range
Let the great world spin forever
The ringing grooves of change

Lord Tennyson

Students Council is the appropriate platform where students learn to be responsible and actively participate in organising all the activities of the school. Students regard it as an honour to be a part of the School's Students Council. The investiture ceremony was a magnificent affair and a treat to watch. Decked in immaculate school uniforms, wearing their house colours and badges, the students council members looked very dignified and important. Given below are the newly inducted members of the students council:



Head Boy	Head Girl	Vice Head Boy
Rahul Goindi - X A	Simran Kaur Antal - X A	Tarush Gupta - IX B

Vice Head Girl	Sports Captain	Cultural Captain
Navya Aneja - IX B	Manan Sood - IX B	Sanyam Mohindroo - IX A

Environment Captain	Discipline Captain	Agni House Captain
Harit Jaiswal - IX B	Sony Thukral- X A	Rouble Vohra - X A

Jal House Captain	Akash House Captain	Prithvi House Captain
Garima Malik - X A	Shivangi Goyal - X A	Maheep Singh Sodhi - X A

Prefects			
Thwishaa Mehta -VII C	Devanshi Taneja - VII B	Aarushi Sethi - VIII A	Kritik Ajmani - VIII B

#### May 17, 2014: Skating Championship:

Skating is a popular sport which enjoys a prominent position in Mind Tree School. School skaters participated in inter school competitions held at the following schools and won laurels.

#### Angel's Public School (Ambala):

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Name	Class & Section	Medal		
Ananya Chadha	IV - B	W		
Naunidha Singh Sawhney	IV - B	W		
Varnika Sharma	V - B	W (a)		
Yethaarth Pall	VI - A	W		
Aditi	VII - C	W		
Vanshika Pruthi	IX - A	W		
Ryan Mittal	IV - D	V		
Manan Garg	V - A	V		
Manpal Singh	IV - A	V		

#### Manav Mangal School (Panchkula):

Name	Class & Section	Medal
Varnika Sharma	V - B	W
Aditi	VII - C	W
Vanshika Pruthi	IX - B	W W

#### May 17, 2014: Poster Making Competition - VI & VII:

An inter house poster making competition was organized in the school. The following Houses won:

#### GRADE - VI

1st Akash House: Manya Sapra, Khushi Uppal, Anushka Malik, Jhanvi Sabharwal, Anshul Modi, Geetanshu Kalra, Ananya Goel, Nayanjot Kaur, Hasman Sohi, Kriti Gupta, Sukant Kalra, Rahul Kohli and Dishant Sabharwal

2nd Jal House : Yashika Singla, Jyotika Budhiraja, Tanish Aggarwal, Vrihat Sachdeva and Advitiya Bharti

#### GRADE - VII

1st Jal House : Akshit Jain, Tanveer Rattol, Ojas Jain, Divyam Goel, Athrav Verma, Navya Chopra, Shreya Khubber, Khushi Sharma, Chirag Walia

2nd Agni House : Abhishek Aggarwal, Parth Goyal, Manvi Arora, Diksha Puri, Rishita Sharma, Rupin Jain, Samyak Jain, Abhijay Khanna and Archit Goel

#### **EDUCATORS' CORNER**

#### March 28, 2014: Workshop on Behaviour Modification:

Ms. Nidhi Bharti attended a workshop on 'Behaviour Modification" at New Delhi. The resource persons were renowned Psychologists Dr. Vijay Pathak and Ms. Deepali Batra. They emphasised on ADHD i.e Attention deficit Hyper Active disorder wherein they dealt with behavioural changes in adolescents and their management techniques.

#### April 05, 2014: Workshop on Life Skills:

Ms. Nidhi Bharti, counsellor of the school, represented the school in this workshop held at Mind Tree School, Sec - 1 Ambala City.