



BIRLA OPEN MINDS INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
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Academic Year (2019-20)

Birla Open Minds International School, Dehradun was launched on 10th February, 2019, by the Governor of Uttarakhand, Smt. Baby Rani Maurya with great pomp and show and started its first session on 8th April.

Before the commencement, a week long induction training was organized for the staff by the Birla educators and orientation sessions were organized for the parents.

The first day of the Academic Year 2019-2020 was marked by the Welcome Assembly comprising the auspicious Saraswati Vandana and the inauguration of the class rooms by the students themselves. Thereafter, day after day the session progressed with the achievement of small milestones.

The specialized Birla Thematic curriculum complemented by Co- Scholastic activities provided the needed multidisciplinary education to the students. Celebrations like the Labour Day, Earth Day, World Water Day, Mother's Day, Teacher's Day, Independence Day, Rakhi celebration, Friendship Day, Grandparents' Day, Swatchta Diwas, Daan Utsav, Diwali Celebration, Eid celebration, Children's Day, X-mas Carnival, Winter Camp, Republic Day, Founder's Day, Puppet Show and Graduation Day made the year interesting and provided recreational learning.

Debates, Declamation, Quizzes, Spell-Bee, Math-a-ron, Hindi Diwas, RD Birla Inter-School Scholarship Exam, were the subject related activities conducted across all grades.

The Pre Primary grades enjoyed stress-free learning through play way methods involving activities like Fire Free Cooking, Float and Sink, Traffic Rules, Show and Tell, Birds and Animal Quizzes, Treasure Hunt, Shapes Day, Salad Making, Buying and Selling to name a few.

To take learning beyond classrooms, students were taken to the Dehradun Zoo for a picnic and later to Vigyan Dham, the Regional Science center for an educational excursion.

To establish the community connect a Painting competition was organized in the nearby AWHO society and to sensitize young minds towards the less privileged, Daan Utsav, a donation camp and a visit to the orphanage were organized.

Preparedness for emergencies has always been the priority and to enable this, mock drills were organised for fire breakouts and earthquakes. Fire safety training was also

organized by the fire department to train our staff and students. A First Aid workshop was also organized to apprise everyone of the emergency first aid treatments.

Besides these, to take care of the emotional and physical well being of students, counselling sessions on Adolescence issues and Good and Bad touch were also organized. To make the students aware of the causes and precautions of infectious diseases like Dengue and Coronavirus, presentations were conducted during the PSHE periods, which is a special feature of the Birla curriculum.

Inspite of the plethora of activities round the year, Academics was given its due importance and students' performance was closely monitored. The last period of the day was earmarked as the zero period and 'Remedial Classes' were conducted by the subject teachers to guide the under performers.

Students performed well in the Theme End Assessments and the Half Yearlies but due to the lockdown in March, the Finals could not be held and the result was declared on the basis of the overall average of the previous assessments. It was a 100% pass result and all students were promoted to the next grade. Round the year, four main PTMs were organised and the first session concluded successfully on 18th March, 2019 with the online publication of the Final result.

To provide growth opportunities to the staff, during the year, four Teachers Training workshops were organized to keep them updated with the latest trends in terms of technology and teaching methodologies.

Before I conclude, I must thank God for his blessings and express my gratitude towards the Management for their support and the team of dedicated teachers, led by the coordinator, for its committed efforts. I must also put on record the support of our dear parents and of course the hard work put in by our students. The Admin staff also deserves appreciation for smoothly carrying out the day to day school operations. I also acknowledge and thank the ancillary staff for their contribution.

The first foundation year was thereby concluded with a sense of satisfaction and the hope and determination of innovating and evolving to make the next online session effective and successful.

Principal