

JKPS Kunjwani hosts spectacular ‘Learning fiesta frenzy’ Inter-school competition in Toddlers Wing



Glimpses of spectacular ‘Learning fiesta frenzy’ Inter-school competition organized by JKPS Kunjwani in Toddlers Wing.

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JAMMU: In a delightful celebration of youthful talent and creativity, the Toddlers' World of JK Public School Kunjwani hosted the much-awaited 'learning fiesta frenzy' event. This event promises to be a showcase of boundless potential where students of Nursery, LKG, UKG and 1st participated in various activities that emphasized both learning and fun.

Toddler's wing opened its doors to a diverse array of

young learners as it hosted an inter-school competition. The event held on October 7, 2023 saw toddlers from various schools who came together to showcase their exceptional skills in a wide range of activities.

The competition was skillfully divided into different categories ensuring every young participant had their moment to shine. For Nursery kids, the stage came alive with the vibrant hues of group dances, where tiny

feet danced to the rhythm of joy.

Moving on to the LKG level, the young scholars showcased their linguistic prowess by confidently reciting Shlokas and Mantras, infusing the atmosphere with spirituality and reverence.

The UKG participants embraced their creative sides by showcasing their attires with the theme community helpers.

Class 1 decked out as their

favourite story characters, not only showcased their creativity but also encouraged a love for Hindi literature and story telling among their peers. These tiny tots have been practicing tirelessly under the able guidance of their teachers & coordinator Shivangini Pandotra who administered every minute detail of the event.

Her dedication, attention to detail, and commitment to creating a safe & enjoyable experience for the toddlers

and their families was truly commendable.

It was evident that the tireless efforts of the teachers contributed significantly to the event's success. The enthusiasm of the young ones was elevated by the esteemed presence of the Director JK education Society Shashi Choudhary who gave away the prizes to the winners. Judges who are experts in their respective fields carefully evaluated the students.

The first position in the group dance category was bagged by Jammu Sanskriti, second position was acquired by JK Public School, Kunjwani, third was scored by Kidzee, Gangyal.

In the Shloka / Mantra Recitation Competition, first position was bagged by Sadaf Fatima of IDPS, Jammu and the third position was scored by Atharv Mahajan of Model Academy, consolation in this category was awarded Shrunya Dubey of Jammu Sanskriti.

Katru of Jammu Sanskriti School and consolation was snagged by Advika Baluri of Kidzee, Gangyal.

In the category Kaho Kahani first position was bagged by Elkvinder Kour of JK Public School, Kunjwani second position was bagged by Sadaf Fatima of IDPS, Jammu and the third position was scored by Atharv Mahajan of Model Academy, consolation in this category was awarded Shrunya Dubey of Jammu Sanskriti.

In the Fancy Dress competition first position was scored by Muhammad Ismail Magray of IDPS, Jammu, second position was acquired by Mitakshi Rajput of JK Public School, Kunjwani, third position was earned by Eeha Gupta of Carmel Convent School. Consolation in this category was awarded to Ivreet Kour of Jammu Sanskriti School. The event was beautifully wrapped up with the distribution of snacks.

Jammu boy Pranav covers 3 peaks in record time

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JAMMU: Pranav Bhandral, resident of Jammu has summited 3 peaks i.e., Shankpal(Elevation-9458Ft) starting from Sansar and end at Sansar, Shiygarh(Elevation-8530Ft) starting from Patnitop and end at Patnitop and Kailash Kund(Elevation-12470Ft) starting from Dudu and end at Dudu in just 39.40 hours. Pranav Bhandral started this trek on 6th October,23 and completed it by 7th October,23. He covered an overall distance of 129.66km's. He claims to be the first one to do this.



Conquering the peaks with an iron rod installed in one of his leg was challenging for him and when he gained altitude, his oxygen level decreased which lead to Acute Mountain Sickness and also continuous trek lead to blisters on his legs stated Pranav.

"Carrying a bag pack with me was challenging for me but I made through it" Pranav said adding that 'believe in yourself, nothing will be difficult' and he proved it. He has made us all proud.

Annual Vishal Dangal held at Tohana-Tibba

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RS PURA: A Vishal Dangal was held on Sunday at Tohana-Tibba, Panchayat Grounds, in which a large number of wrestlers, from our UT and adjoining states participated.

This is an Annual feature, which was organised by Sattowali Panchayat in memory of a social reformer and saintly figure, Peer Monganath who comes from the area of Deva- Watal, Tehsil Bhimber and Distt. Mirpur (now in POK).

This type of function used to be held at village Watala, before partition of 1947 and now many such tournaments are held, by the members of Chibhal, wherever they have settled, in different parts of our state.

Jugal Kishore Sharma, Former Minister was the Chief Guest and R S Chib, Former Minister presided over the function.

The prominent among others who were present, included, Sarpanch Shrimati, Veena Devi,

Naib- Sarpanch, Kuldeep Singh, PR Manhas, Retd. IGP, Col. R N Sharma, Sobat Ali , H.L Abrol, Vishal Chopra, Suraj Parkash Sharma, Kulwant Singh, Sarpanchs, Panchs and many important members of Civil Society.

The first Prize of Rs. 15 Lakh was bagged by one Pritpal Singh of Phagwara and the Runner up was Parveen Kohali, both from Punjab. Besides, many prominent wrestlers participated who came from H.P, Delhi, Punjab and Haryana.

Chib, while speaking to Media persons, pard rich tributes to Peer Monga Nath who was a symbol of secularism and loved by all, irrespective of any political and religious affiliations.

He advised the younger generations, to remember those, who have contributed for the welfare of society as a whole.

SR College of Competitions concludes test series for JKAS prelims

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JAMMU: In a significant development for aspirants preparing for the Jammu and Kashmir Administrative Services (JKAS) preliminary examination, SR College of Competitions wrapped up its test series on Sunday, October 8th. This comprehensive test series, which included both online and offline modes, has garnered attention for its dedication to helping students achieve success.

One aspirant, speaking about the test series, commended it for closely aligning with the rigorous standards set by the Public Service Commission. The series comprised more than 75 tests, encompassing both General Studies and CSAT papers, which proved to be instrumental in his preparation. Notably, the college also implemented a ranking system, allowing participants to gauge their performance relative to a pool of over 500 other aspirants.

The administrative head of the center revealed that the test series went beyond



Aspirants appearing in test at SR College.

mere assessments. It featured a mentorship program, providing students with personalized guidance and support. Additionally, one-on-one doubt clearing sessions were offered to address specific queries and areas of difficulty. The provision of detailed explanations after each test allowed students to engage in a valuable self-assessment process, making it easier for them to identify areas of improvement.

Looking ahead, the college has expressed its commitment to continuing this exercise for the upcoming mains examination, following the JKAS preliminary

examination scheduled for October 15th, 2023. This commitment underscores the institution's dedication to nurturing and supporting students throughout their entire examination journey.

In conclusion, SR College of Competitions has demonstrated its commitment to preparing aspirants for the challenging JKAS examination by offering an extensive and student-centric test series. With a focus on quality, feedback, and personalization, the college has positioned itself as a valuable resource for those aspiring to succeed in the competitive world of public service examinations.

Dissolution of JKASTA illegal; attempt to mislead sports persons: JS

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SRINAGAR: J&K Amateur Soft Tennis Association on Sunday cautioned the sports persons and the non-governmental organizations about the machinations being perpetrated by some vested interests with regard to the status of the Association. Asif Altaf, Joint Secretary, who is also incharge General Secretary of the Association, has termed the action of the President and the suspended and debarred General Secretary in dissolving the duly registered body as illegal, mischievous and misleading. He has decried the publication of the so-called dissolution of the J&K Amateur Soft Tennis Association in a local daily, saying this is an

attempt to mislead the government , non-governmental organizations and the stakeholders.

Asif Altaf said that his appointment as Incharge General Secretary of J&K Amateur Soft Tennis Association has been approved by the J&K Sports Council in conjunction with Soft Tennis Federation of India (ASTFI) vide communication No SC/2209/7168-74 DATED:- 05-10-2023 and ASTFI/JKASTA/2023 Dated 18-09-2023. He said he has been authorized to run the affairs of the Association in the wake of the suspension and debarment of the General Secretary by J&K Sports Council and ASTFI. In this backdrop the purported resolution having been passed is unethical and illegal, he added.

J&K Open 2023-A landmark on golf tourism map of Jammu

A Fusion of Sports, Culture and Culinary Excellence



Glimpses of award ceremony of J&K Open 2023 golf tournament organized by J&K Tourism Department in collaboration with PGTI and Jammu Tawi Golf Course.

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JAMMU: The highly prestigious J&K Open 2023 golf tournament, in its second edition at Jammu, was organized under the auspices of the J&K Tourism Department by the Directorate of Tourism Jammu in collaboration with PGTI and the Jammu Tawi Golf Course. This extraordinary event took place from October 4th to 8th, 2023, at the Jammu Tawi Golf Course and hosted a total of 126 international golfers from across

the globe. Their participation further elevated the event's global prestige. The tournament seamlessly blended sports, culture, and culinary craftsmanship, surpassing all expectations and leaving an indelible mark on participants and spectators alike.

The tournament's inauguration was graced by Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar, Advisor to LG, J&K and Secretary Tourism, Dr. Syed.Abid Rasheed, along with esteemed dignitaries, lending an aura of grandeur to

the event. Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar, Advisor hailed the event as a significant platform for showcasing J&K's potential as a golf tourism destination. He lauded the Tourism Department and PGTI for their commendable efforts in organizing the tournament and providing local golfers with invaluable exposure.

Secretary Tourism, Dr. Syed Abid Rasheed Shah, emphasized the event's pivotal role in enhancing and promoting golf tourism in J&K. He under-

scored that participants would not only savor world-class golf but also immerse themselves in the rich Dogri culture, art, and cuisine, positioning J&K as a prominent contributor to India's burgeoning golf tourism sector. The J&K Open 2023 seamlessly blended sports, culture and culinary craftsmanship, leaving an indelible mark on all attendees. Golf clinics nurtured young talent, captivating cultural performances showcased the region's artistic heritage, guided tours for the

golfers explored historical treasures, the Dogra Food Festival delighted with local cuisine, and an Art & Craft Extravaganza immersed visitors in the richness of Jammu's culture. The coveted rolling trophy, adorned with the iconic Chenab Rail Bridge, symbolizing engineering excellence and regional pride, was triumphantly raised by the J&K Open 2023 champion, Om Prakash Chouhan, encapsulating the tournament's essence. In addition to that, Vedant

Handa got 1st prize for longest drive of 334 yards.

Additionally, special souvenirs, crafted by the Directorate of Tourism Jammu, were presented to the golfers. These souvenirs embodied the treasures of the Jammu region.

The closing ceremony was graced by Spl. Secretary Tourism, Amarjeet Singh; Joint Director Tourism, Sunaina Sharma Mehta; Secretary Jammu Tawi Golf Course, Manav Gupta; and

CEO of PGTI, Uttam Mandy, Abdul Jabbar, Deputy Director Tourism, along with other dignitaries, all acknowledging the tournament's resounding success and cultural richness. They presented the trophy, winning amount, and souvenirs to the champion, Om Prakash Chouhan.

On the tournament's final day, a captivating Pro-Am event united professionals and club amateurs, fostering a spirited display of sportsmanship and camaraderie. The victorious Pro-Am team, under the leadership of professional golfer Sachin Baisoya, received their prizes from Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar, Advisor to the Lt. Governor of Jammu & Kashmir, adding to the event's prestige and excitement. The J&K Open 2023 golf tournament was an unparalleled success, leaving an indelible mark on all attendees. It embodied the vibrant culture, rich heritage, and unwavering sporting spirit that define Jammu and Kashmir.

Kuchey, Nitin among reach Snooker QFs

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JAMMU: Seasoned cueist, Y o u n i s

Kuchey and N i t i n S h a r m a among eight today qualified for the quarterfinals stages of the senior Snooker event in the ongoing J&K Billiards and Snooker Championship, organised by J&K Billiards and Snooker Association at Billiards Hall, MA Stadium, here.

However, promising cueists, Ishan Chowdhary, Omar Himayun and Abhishek Pathania lost in close contests. The Results: Mudassar Aashiq beat Irahm Mir 3-2; Miya Bashir beat Adnan Lone 3-0; Wasim Iqbal beat Furkan Wani 3-1; Younis Kuchey beat Ishan Chowdhary 3-1; Sudhanshu Mahajan beat Sonu 3-1; Nitin Sharma beats Omar Himayun 3-2 Sunny Rajput beats Satyajit 3-2; Elham Mir beat Abhishek Pathania 3-2.

