

From Oops to Outstanding: JKPS students transform mistakes into masterpieces



Principal JK Public School Kunjwani Rajesh Rathore and students addressing morning assembly on Monday.

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JAMMU: "Mistakes are not failures, but stepping stones to success." With this profound opening line, Aradhya Singh of Grade VII Pearl, along with her classmates, conducted an enlightening morning assembly on the theme "Mistakes help us evolve" at JK Public School, Kunjwani.

Aradhya, in her confident address, emphasized, "Every error we make is an opportunity to grow. It is through our mistakes that we discover our strengths and weaknesses and develop the resilience and perseverance needed to overcome challenges. As we move forward in life, we must not fear mistakes, but welcome them as valuable lessons that shape us into better ver-

sions of ourselves." Adding depth to the discussion, Kashvi remarked, "A mistake is not a failure; it's raw material-an unpolished first draft of a solution that shows where to begin building a masterpiece. Don't erase your mistakes; analyze them."

The momentum grew stronger as Manya observed, "Every error is a directional guide highlighting the path you won't take again. You cannot draw a perfect line until you know what a crooked one looks like. Remember, the person who never made a mistake never tried anything new."

The assembly resonated with poetic rhythm when Shivansh recited an insightful poem capturing the spirit of

learning through errors:

"For failure marks the boundary line, Between the reckless and the design. The error made is knowledge bought, A truth the classroom never taught".

Further enriching the reflection, Kavya continued the verse:

"The missing part of the waking dreams, The blueprint now correct and whole; A deep wisdom for the soul, For every misstep is a guiding star,

Revealing truly who you are!"

Under the segment Quotations, students presented powerful thoughts from great minds: Jasleen Kour quoted Oscar Wilde: "Experience is the name we give to our mistakes."

Pratham cited Marva Collins: "If you cannot make a mistake, you did not make anything."

Laksh shared Paulo Coelho's wisdom: "The mistake that makes you humble is better than an achievement that makes you arrogant."

Ayra Singh recalled Dr A. P. J. Abdul Kalam: "Mistakes increase your experience, and experience decreases your mistakes."

Madhav Khokher quoted Jennifer

Lim: "Mistakes are proof that you are trying."

Prabh Simran referred to Winston Churchill: "Success is stumbling from failure to failure with no loss of enthusiasm."

Aarav Sinha echoed Henry Ford: "Failure is simply the opportunity to begin again, this time more intelligently."

Applauding the presenters, Principal JKPS Kunjwani Rajesh Rathore addressed the assembly with a stirring message: "Each one of us, no matter how wise or experienced, has stumbled at some point. Mistakes are not marks of failure; they are milestones on the road to growth. Every time you make a mistake, you learn something new -

about yourself, your effort, and your direction. The only real mistake is the one you refuse to learn from."

"Let us promise ourselves today that we will never allow fear of failure to hold us back. We will experiment, explore, and evolve - because the path to excellence is paved with the bricks of our own mistakes, polished by perseverance and reflection. Keep learning, keep trying, and keep growing - for every misstep you take today is a stepping stone to the success story you'll write tomorrow."

The assembly concluded with resounding applause, leaving every student inspired to embrace imperfection as a part of their journey toward excellence.

Jkians shine in JU Yuva Verse 2025 Model United Nations



Principal JK Public School Kunjwani Rajesh Rathore felicitating winner students.

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JAMMU: A delegation of students from JK Public School, Kunjwani, participated in the JU Yuva Verse 2025 (MUN) hosted by University of Jammu on 6th, 7th and 8th Nov 2025, which celebrated diplomacy, leadership and the power of youth dialogue. It provided a vibrant platform for

students to deliberate on pressing global and national issues, helping them develop the skills of negotiation, communication and critical thinking the conference, showcasing remarkable confidence, analytical ability, and a deep understanding of international relations.

At the valedictory ceremony

of this great event, the outstanding performances of the JK Public School delegates were highly recognized. Mohd. Ali Khan was awarded Best Delegate in the UNW Committee, while Rhythm Choudhary received High Commendation in the same committee. Jasmeet Singh secured High Commendation

from the AIPPM Committee, and Ahmed Ibtisam Hijazi earned a Special Mention for his thoughtful contributions. Ayush Khajuria, Kamu Priya, and Harman Singh were appreciated with Verbal Mentions in the JKLA Committee, whereas Samee

Ur Rehman Malik and Sakinder Choudhary received Verbal Mentions from the UNW Committee. Sunpreet Singh was also honored with a Verbal Mention in AIPPM.

Shashi Chaudhary, Director JK Educational Society and Rajesh Rathore congratulated the winners and felicitated them in the School Assembly.

They also lauded their mentors Renu Uppal, TGT, Rajan Singh, PGT, Dr Gurleen Kour, TGT for motivating and preparing the students for such a platform.

The achievements of JK Public School, Kunjwani at JU Yuva Verse 25 (MUN) stand as a testament to the school's commitment to nurturing articulate, informed, and responsible global citizens.

JK Public School Kunjwani student wins gold at Inter-State Athletics Championship



JK Public School, Kunjwani faculty felicitating medal winner student Payal.

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JAMMU: JK Public School, Kunjwani, once again brought laurels to the institution as its talented student Payal of Class XI clinched the gold medal in the High Jump event by clearing an impressive height of 1.32 meters at the Inter-State Athletics Championship held in Srinagar on November 6 and 7, 2025.

Shashi Chaudhary, Director, JK Educational Society, and Rajesh Rathore, Principal, JK Public School Kunjwani, congratulated Payal for her outstanding performance and felicitated her for bringing glory to the school.

They commended her dedication, perseverance, and sportsmanship, which have made the entire JKPS fraternity proud. Both dignitaries also appreciated the commendable guidance and training provided by the school's sports mentors Shiv Dev Singh (Coach) and Subash Chander, Head of Department (Sports), whose continuous encouragement and professional coaching played a pivotal role in this achievement.

The school reiterated its commitment to nurturing young talent and promoting holistic development through excellence in academics as well as sports.

JU inaugurates Inter-Collegiate Volleyball (Men) Tournament 2025-26



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JAMMU: The Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, University of Jammu (JU), inaugurated the Inter-Collegiate Volleyball (Men) Tournament 2025-26.

The inaugural day of the tournament witnessed a series of exciting and an exceptional display of skill and strategy by the partici-

pating teams.

Results: GDC Akhnour defeated GDC Khiloltran by 2-1 (25-23, 12-25, 15-6); GDC R S Pura defeated ASCOMS by 2-0 (27-25, 25-23); GMC Jammu (Para) defeated Dogra College by 2-0 (25-18, 25-12); MIET Jammu defeated GDC Paloura by 2-1 (25-22, 14-25, 15-12); GMC Rajouri

defeated GDC Sidhra by 2-0 (25-21, 25-19); GDC Jourian defeated PHL College by 2-1 (25-11, 12-25, 15-8); PG Department JU defeated GNC Kishwar by 2-0 (25-13, 25-6); GDC Samba defeated GMC Doda by 2-0 (25-13, 25-9); and GDC Doda defeated GDC Mendhar by 2-1(25-22, 16-25, 15-12).

The tournament was organized under the overall supervision of Dr. Daud Iqbal Baba, Director, Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, JU.

The matches were officiated by Mulkraj Sharma, Parvinder Singh, Pragna Sharma, Azhar Hussain Shah, Vikas Karlopia, Shubham Sharma, Nazish, Surviand and Kajal.

Vanshaj mirrors skipper Paras as J&K nears triumph over Delhi

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DELHI: Left-arm spinner Vanshaj Sharma delivered a performance reminiscent of skipper Paras Dogra's first-innings heroics, weaving a web around the Delhi batters in the second innings. His impactful spell has propelled Jammu & Kashmir to the brink of a memorable triumph against hosts Delhi in the ongoing Ranji Trophy Elite Group-A clash at the Arun Jaitley Cricket Stadium today.



Resuming from their overnight score of 7 for no loss, Delhi produced a spirited performance in their second innings, amassing 277 runs. Captain Ayush Badoni led from the front with a fluent 72 off 73 balls, laced with eight boundaries and a towering six. Ayush Doseja offered solid support, scoring a composed 62 off 88 deliveries that featured three fours and an equal number of sixes. Arpit Verma contributed 43, while Sanat Sangvan and Yash Dhull chipped in with handy knocks of 34 runs each. For Jammu and Kashmir, Vanshaj Sharma emerged as the standout performer, wreaking havoc with figures of 6 for 68 in 16.1 overs. Off-spinner Sahil Lotra complemented him well with three wickets, while Abid Mushtaq picked up one to wrap up the Delhi innings.

Chasing a total of 179 runs, J&K were 55/2 in 15 overs when the stumps were drawn on day-3 of the match today.

Qamran Iqbal was at the crease on 32 runs off 34 balls studded with 6 boundaries, while nightwatchman Vanshaj has yet to open his account, facing 12 deliveries. Shubham Khajuria (08) and Vivrant Sharma (03) were sent back to the pavilion.

All India Vice-Chancellors' T-20 Cricket Tournament

JU registers victory over Shivaji University, Kolhapur

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JAMMU: The University of Jammu continued its remarkable form at the All India Vice-Chancellors' T-20 Cricket Tournament being held at LUVAS, Hisar, Haryana, by defeating Shivaji University, Kolhapur by an impressive margin of 146 runs.

Batting first, the University of Jammu posted a commanding total of 241 runs for the loss of just two wickets in 20 overs. Shantul Raina showcased exceptional form by scoring his second consecutive century, a blazing 117 runs, while Vishal Sudan contributed a solid 56 runs. Rajesh and Aman



Singh Sambhal added 33 and 24 not out respectively, steering the team to a formidable score. For Shivaji University, Anil Patil and Vishant claimed one wicket each.

In reply, Shivaji University could manage only 95 runs for eight wickets in their

allotted 20 overs. Vinayak Shinde (18) and Yogesh Dalvi (16) were the main contributors with the bat. The University of Jammu's bowling attack remained disciplined and effective, with Raj Kumar Bakshi (2 for 16), Rajesh (2 for 3), and Niranjan Singh (2 for

27) leading the charge. Balwant and Shantul chipped in with a wicket each.

For his outstanding century and all-round performance, Shantul Raina was declared Man of the Match.

Dr. Daud Iqbal Baba, Director, Directorate of

Sports and Physical Education, along with the President, Vice President, General Secretary, and other members of JUNTEU, congratulated the team for their outstanding performance and wished them continued success in the upcoming matches.

69th National School Games U-19 Boys Taekwondo Championship

Players display grit and talent as J&K's Shivansh Rajput storms into finals

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JAMMU: Demonstrating remarkable skill and composure, Shivansh Rajput of Jammu and Kashmir secured a place in the finals of the -45 kg category at the 69th National School Games 2025 (Under-19 Boys Taekwondo Championship).

The event is being organized by the Department of Youth Services and Sports under the aegis of the School Games Federation of India (SGFI) at the Indoor Sports Complex, Bhagwati Nagar, Jammu.

On his road to the finals, Shivansh outperformed his opponent from Tamil Nadu in the quarterfinals before defeating Soham Joe of Goa in a thrilling semifinal bout. His performance epitomized the blend of discipline, determination, and technical precision that marked day two of the tournament.

Earlier, on the opening evening, J&K's Nasir ul Islam clinched the Bronze medal in the -59 kg category, sharing the podium with a contestant from Gujarat. The Gold and Silver medals in this category were claimed by competitors from Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS) and Assam, respectively.

In the -45 kg first-round



clashes, Assam beat CBSE, Madhya Pradesh overpowered Gujarat, KVS triumphed against Arunachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand dominated Karnataka, Jharkhand overcame Odisha, Bihar edged past Haryana, and West Bengal subdued Vidya Bharathi. Tamil Nadu defeated Himachal Pradesh, Chhattisgarh outclassed Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti (NVS), Maharashtra beat Telangana, CISE overpowered Punjab, and Goa got the better of Uttar Pradesh. In the second round, Assam overpowered Delhi, Kerala bested Madhya Pradesh, Uttarakhand beat KVS, and Bihar prevailed over Jharkhand.

In the -75 kg category, West Bengal beat Telangana, Uttarakhand defeated Karnataka,

Maharashtra triumphed over CBSE, and Gujarat overwhelmed Uttar Pradesh. Assam edged past KVS, Goa got the better of Chandigarh, Madhya Pradesh beat Kerala, and Himachal Pradesh outclassed Chhattisgarh. J&K dominated Andhra Pradesh, Bihar subdued NVS, Delhi overpowered Tamil Nadu, Punjab beat Puducherry, and Rajasthan ousted Jharkhand. In the second round, West Bengal defeated Vidya Bharathi, Maharashtra trounced Uttarakhand, and Gujarat beat Assam.

Joint Director Youth Services and Sports Jammu, Vinakshi Koul, Organising Secretary of the event visited the venue and watched the bouts before inspecting the arrangements.