

Morning assembly reflects vision, mission & social commitments of a school: Principal JKPS Kunjwani



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

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JAMMU: "Morning assembly is the physical, mental and spiritual preparation before beginning the studies at school". With this thought-provoking statement, Khushika Singh from Grade 3 Kaveri along with her classmates conducted the morning assembly on the topic "Importance of Morning Assembly at JK Public School, Kunjwani."

"Morning assemblies are an important part of our school routine. They help us to start the day with positivity and discipline. During the assembly we come together as one family to pray, share thoughts and learn important lessons", added Aishani.

"It is a time to set our goals for the day and feel inspired to do our best. Let's all make the most of this beautiful time every morning. At last, I would like to share a quote "Morning assembly is the seed of a productive day where discipline, unity and inspiration bloom

together", added Anhadhdeep.

With more substance pitched in Samardeep stating, "When we stand together, sing the national anthem, or recite the prayer, we are reminded that we are part of our school community where each one of us matters".

"Moreover, the morning assembly provides a platform for showcasing talent and achievements, whether it is delivering a speech, presenting a news update, or performing a cultural program, the assembly builds our confidence, improves our communication skills, and prepares us to express ourselves in front of others", Saanvi added.

Under the segment Quotations, Rasgun Kour referred to Mother Teresa, "Let us always meet each other with a smile, the smile is the beginning of love". Ashree Mahajan quoted Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam, "Confidence and hard work is the best medicine to kill the disease called failure. It will make you a successfully person". Apramay Suri referred to Abraham Lincoln, "The best way to predict your future is to create it". Jaskirat Singh quoted Mahatma Gandhi, "It's easy to stand with the crowd, but it takes courage to stand alone". Araina Babbar referred to Elizabeth Warren, "A good education is a foundation for a better future".

Harjas Singh quoted Chuck Grassley, "What makes a child gifted and talented may not always be good grades in school, but a different way of looking at the world and learning". Rityansh Singh Charak referred to Henry Ford, "Failure is the opportunity to begin again more intelligently". Shradheya Raj quoted Brian Herbert, "The capacity to learn is a gift; the ability to learn is a skill, the willingness to learn is a choice". Anhadhdeep Singh referred to Helen Keller, "Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement. Nothing can be done without hope and confidence".

Principal JKPS Kunjwani Rajesh Rathore applauded the presenters for highlighting brilliantly the salient features of morning assembly. He stated, "The morning assembly is not just a ritual; it reflects the vision, mission and social commitments of a school. It sets the tone for the day, uniting us all as one family and instilling discipline, positivity, and a sense of purpose".

"Always remember, the assembly keeps us updated and aware. Sharing the

achievements, events, announcements, and important messages of the school ensures that everyone is informed about the latest happenings of the school. A positive and meaningful start of the Assembly energizes us, prepares us for challenges, and reminds us of the values we uphold as a school. Let us continue to participate wholeheartedly and make this tradition a source of inspiration and growth for each one of us", he concluded.

Satish emphasises inculcating moral values in children alongside bookish knowledge

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UDHAMPUR: Minister for Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs, Transport, Science & Technology, Information Technology, Youth Services & Sports and ARI & Training, Satish Sharma, on Tuesday chaired the annual day celebration of Delhi Public School, Udhampur.



Sports Minister, Satish Sharma with MLA Pawan Gupta presenting trophy to students.

The school celebrated its annual day with great enthusiasm and cultural splendour on the unique theme "Manvantar Manthan; The Churning of Yugas".

The event showcased a mesmerising depiction of all four Yugas - Satya Yuga, Treta Yuga, Dwapara Yuga and Kali Yuga through a captivating dance-drama performance by the students.

While addressing the gathering, the Minister lauded the efforts of the school in blending culture, history and creativity to deliver an inspiring performance.

Congratulating the school's management for organizing this event, the Minister praised the school's dedication towards fostering artistic talent and cultural awareness among students. He encouraged the young learners to remain connected to their roots while striving for excellence in all areas of life.

He highlighted the significance of all four Vedas and its relevance in our lives. He commended the students' performances, particularly those themed around the teachings of Vedas and Sanatan values.

Emphasizing the importance of preserving cultural heritage, Satish Sharma highlighted the significance of promoting sports and co-curricular activities for holistic development. He encouraged the students to respect and cherish their parents, grandparents and elders, fostering family values.

The Minister appreciated the teachers' efforts in conducting activities that contribute towards all-round growth of students.

Students from various classes presented vibrant, theme-based cultural performances, showcasing their talents through colorful costumes and artistic expressions. The program included a variety of traditional and contemporary performances, captivating the audience.

On the occasion, the Minister distributed certificates of appreciation and awards among the students excelling in academics and co-curricular activities.

Later, the Minister visited Palaash and Parisha, the childcare homes for boys and girls, and inspected the facilities being extended to the home inmates there.

While interacting with the staff members and children, the Minister motivated them to work hard in academics, while keeping equal focus on extra-curricular activities.

While interacting with the children, the Minister assured all possible support to them and said that all their concern/issues will be redressed at the earliest.

Earlier, the Principal of DPS Udhampur, Dr. Kunal Anand, highlighted the school's achievements in academics, sports and co-curricular activities at the UT and national levels. He also presented the school's annual report, reflecting the institution's continuous commitment towards excellence and holistic education.

The programme was attended by Member Legislative Assembly Udhampur West, Pawan Kumar Gupta, Additional Deputy Commissioner, Prem Singh, DDC Member Puran Chand, DSWO, Kanika Gupta, Ashok Sharma, Dr K C Sharma, Shyam Kalsotra, Chairman, Chamber of Commerce, Udhampur besides PRO Vice Chairman of School, Dr JC Gupta, MD of School, Vivek Gupta, Director Academics of School, Sucheta Gupta, Principal of School, Dr. Kunal Anand besides staff, students and parents.

ABVP accuses J&K Govt of ignoring Hindi, Sanskrit in recruitment, blocks highway

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JAMMU: Alleging discrimination by the Jammu and Kashmir government against Hindi and Sanskrit in recruitment, hundreds of students led by the ABVP on Tuesday held a protest march and sat on a dharna, blocking the main Tawi bridge on the highway here.

The demonstrators accused the National Conference-led government of sidelining Hindi and Sanskrit in a recent recruitment notification issued by the Jammu and Kashmir Public Service Commission (JKPSC) for 10+2 Lecturer positions.

They also alleged that the government was promoting foreign languages such as Arabic and Persian, which were included in the recruitment notification.

Carrying placards and raising slogans, the protesters marched from the Jammu University through the city, highlighting what they described as "regional and linguistic discrimination".

"This is regional and linguistic discrimination by the current government. Instead of promoting national languages like Hindi and Sanskrit, they

are being deliberately ignored. These languages are part of our identity," ABVP leader Surinder Singh said.

"We are not against any language, but the government's preference for foreign languages like Arabic and Persian over Hindi and Sanskrit is a well-planned conspiracy. It is an assault on our civilisation, and we will not tolerate it," he added.

ABVP leader Anita Devi echoed similar sentiments, saying, "This is not just about recruitment, it is a fight for our cultural identity."

The protesting students expressed frustration over the JKPSC's omission of Hindi and Sanskrit lecturer posts in its notice dated November 12, despite advertising 575 other teaching positions.

"We blame Education Minister Sakina Itoo and warn the Omar Abdullah-led government that students in Jammu will not accept this silently. The Kashmir-centric policies of this government are unacceptable, and we will fight this discrimination tooth and nail," said one of the protesters.

Several protesting students courted arrest and the dharna was underway, even as senior police and district administration officers spoke to them to lift the blockade. Many of the protesters were also detained by police.

MLA Randhawa, Com JMC take stock of dev activities in Gandhi Nagar

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JAMMU: Member Legislative Assembly, Vikram Randhawa, accompanied by Commissioner Jammu Municipal Corporation (JMC), Dr. Devansh Yadav on Tuesday undertook an extensive tour of Gandhi Nagar, Jammu South to take stock of developmental activities and public amenities in the area.

The visit was aimed at reviewing the ongoing developmental projects being executed under the Jammu Smart City Limited project.

During the tour, the team inspected the progress of work on a major drainage system, being constructed at an estimated cost of Rs. 1.5 crore from Swarn Theatre to the Last More Gandhi Nagar Road. A vital component of the Locality Infrastructure Development, the project aims to address long-standing drainage issues in the area.

Emphasizing the importance of adhering to quality standards, the MLA and JMC Commissioner directed the executing agency to complete the drainage project within the set timeline. "The project should not face any delays and that all safety and engineering



ABVP activists staging protest at Tawi Bridge.

Three Jodhamal students qualify for National Level in VVM

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JAMMU: Three students from Jodhamal Public School, namely Soham Singh, Class 6, Guransh Singh, Class 6 and Jayendra Singh Jasrotia, Class 8 have qualified for the National Level of prestigious Vidyarthi Vigyan Manthan (VVM) 2024, after their stupendous performance in the recently concluded State Level Camp of VVM, held at Council of Scientific and Industrial Research-Indian Institute of Integrative Medicine, Jammu (CSIR-IIM).



Eleven Jodhamal Students from various Classes had qualified for the State Level Camp after their brilliant performance in the Online round of VVM 2024.

With a focus on developing young scientific minds, VVM is the largest science talent search examination for New India, organized by Vijnana Bharati (VIBHA) in partnership with Vigyan Prasara and NCERT.

The competition's goal is to find and honour students who have a remarkable aptitude for science and technology while encouraging young people to pursue scientific ideas and inquiry.

Jodhamal Students' remarkable performance can be credited to their mentors Avinash Singh and Shally Jamwal.

Jodhamal School's special thrust on the education of Science and Technology sets it apart from the other schools in its league. The students in this School have been winning laurels in technology related activities and competitions across the nation bringing pride to the institution.

Their accomplishments, not only vouch for the School's thrust on innovation, but also inspire their peers and juniors to continue to strive in the fields of science and technology.

Gold medalists of 62nd National Roller Skating Championship felicitated

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NEW DELHI: J&K Additional Resident Commissioner (ARC), New Delhi, Anil Sharma, on Tuesday felicitated Ankush Kohli from Department of Hospitality & Protocol and Gagan Singh Jamwal from Department of Information and Public Relations for clinching gold medal in the 62nd National Roller Skating Championship held at Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu.

Complimenting the promising players for their 6th consecutive win in the National tourney, Anil Sharma termed the victory of Ankush and



J&K ARC New Delhi, Anil Sharma felicitating winners Ankush Kohli and Gagan Singh Jamwal.

Gagan and their team as phenomenal. He extended wishes to the team for future endeavours.

J&K Sports Council conducts screening of Soft Tennis players for Junior Nationals

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JAMMU: The J&K Sports Council on Tuesday conducted screening of players for participation in Soft Tennis Junior National championship scheduled to be held in Chandigarh from 27th to 31st December.

The screening was done by Divisional Sports

Officer, Jammu, Baljinder Singh, Senior Boxing Coach J&K Sports Council, Anil Wadhwa and Indu Bhushan (International Soft Tennis Players) and Mentor /Coach Soft tennis Khelo India Center, M A Stadium.

The J&K Soft Tennis contingent comprises of Sania

Qadir, ul Ain Tabish Khurshed, Soham Bhat, Shreemai Bhat, Madhvendra Singh Sambyal, Antekshika, Saksham Koul Jalali, Harshita Jalali Harikesh Dutt, Aditya Dutt, Rehmandeep Singh, Yatin Manhas, Akashi Sharma and Simran Sharma.

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norms must be adhered to during its construction" they stressed. Calling for removing encroachments along the nallahs including illegal residential and business establishments, they said that these pose potential risk to public safety and hinder the effective functioning of the drainage system. The MLA stressed the need to work out an effective solution to balance the development needs and the rights of the residents.

The Commissioner informed that certain steps are being taken to avoid future encroachments on or along nallahs. "Public utilities will be created in the area to make it more accessible and convenient for the general public, ensuring the space is used for community-friendly purposes," he added.

Stressing the need for overall beautification and cleanliness of the Gandhi Nagar area, the Commissioner directed the concerned to relocate the food court currently situated at Gole Market to improve the ambience of the market and reduce congestion in the area.

"To stop the parking of two-wheelers at Apsara Road, the Commissioner said that space would be provided at Dusshra Ground, adding that the step would go a long way in minimizing congestion and snarl.

"Fines will be levied on defaulters who continue to park their vehicles in the designated area despite the directive," he maintained.

Among others, Deputy Commissioner (South) Lal Chand, representatives from Revenue Department and other senior officers from Jammu Municipal Corporation accompanied the Commissioner during the tour.