

JK Public School Panjtirthi celebrates Holi with great gusto

Holi-The festival of colours, festival of love, festival of Smile



Glimpses of Holi celebration at JK Public School Panjtirthi.

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JAMMU: JK Public School (JKPS) Panjtirthi celebrated Holi with great gusto.

Mamta Gupta, the

Incharge of the celebration, talked about several myths and stories related to the festival.

A splendid dance perform-

ance by the jakians enthralled the audience.

Jakians exhibited a well-knitted skit to celebrate the divine love of Radha for

Krishna.

Few students recited poems to highlight that the bright colours of Holi are believed to signify energy, life and love.

Another enactment on the theme "Holi is the apt time to renew relationships and to express love and affection time to love and forgive" was

presented by the jakians.

The Principal of JKPS Panjtirthi, Suman Banbah remarked, "This festival signifies the victory of good over

evil, the arrival of spring and the end of winter."

She further expressed, "Spread the colours of compassion, happiness, kindness

and positivity where ever you go in life. Make every day of your life as bright and colourful like this festival. Wish you all a Happy Holi."

Winning & losing fine, participation important: Mudgal to sportspersons

Inaugurates Khelo India Women's Wushu Championship

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JAMMU: Commissioner Secretary Tourism J&K, Yasha Mudgal on Tuesday inaugurated Khelo India Wushu Women's League-2023 Sub Junior & Junior National Championship at Indoor Sports Complex, Bhagwati Nagar, here.

The 6-days Championship which is being organized by Wushu Association of India in collaboration with the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (MYAS), Sports Authority of India (SAI) & J&K Sports Council will conclude on March 31, 2024.

While Yasha Mudgal was the Chief Guest, Ranjeet Karla presided over the function.

They were accompanied by Sh Suhel Ahmad CEO Wushu Association of India, Rajeev Sharma Member Sports Council, Vijay Saraf,



Comm Secy Tourism J&K, Yasha Mudgal with other officials and participants at inaugural ceremony.

President Wushu Association of J&K, Baljinder Singh, Chief Sports Officer JKSC, Bhavneet Kour, General Secretary, Mona Saraf, Sharat Chander DySP.

Speaking on the occasion, Yasha Mudgal lavished praise on the organisers for holding such events, which apart from helping youth to showcase their sporting, also help them not to derail from the mainstream.

She said sportspersons are the messengers of peace and harmony, adding that events like this help in eradicating drug culture from society.

While advising the young athletes to play the game with a sporting spirit, Yasha said that winning and losing is fine, but participation is important.

Earlier, Ranjeet Kalra, Member Sports Council presented a welcome address

and highlighted the activities and achievements of Wushu sport.

He said over 600 women athletes across the country will take part in this sporting extravaganza.

He said the sports initiatives being taken under LG Manoj Sinha's Administration are worth appreciation.

Kuldeep Handoo, Dronacharya Awardee pre-

sented a vote of thanks and extended thanks to the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, SAI, J&K Sports Council & Wushu Association of India for the allotment of Khelo India Wushu Women's League to J&K.

He also thanked the J&K Government under the leadership of Manoj Sinha, Lieutenant Governor of J&K for making sports priority, especially among women.

He thanked the media fraternity for giving wide publicity to sports events in J&K.

Handoo said that for implementation of Sports Policy 2022 and taking measure sporting initiatives, Secretary J&K Sports Council Nuzhat Gul deserves appreciation.

The proceedings of the opening ceremony were beautifully conducted by anchor, Rajesh Dhar.

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JAMMU: The Volleyball Association of J&K (VAJK) and in collaboration with J&K Sports Council is all set to host three-day 35th J&K UT Junior Volleyball Championship for boys and girls at M.A Stadium Jammu from March 29 to 31, 2024.

The championship would be an eye opener for volleyball lovers of the Union Territory of J&K to witness the latest techniques/talents of volleyball players.

During the championship various aspects of Khelo India, My Youth-My Pride, Drug-de-Addiction, Save water etc. would be focused among the youth in general and volleyball players in particular.

According to Kuldeep

Magotra, Chief Executive Officer VAJK, over 30 teams all across JKUT districts are participating in boys and girls section in this championship.

The players born on or after January 1, 2005 shall be eligible to participate in this championship, he added.

"All participants should submit the age certificate indicating the date of birth issued by the head of institute and pasted recent photographs attested by him/her. In case of private School the certificate should be countersigned by ZEO/CEO concerned," Kuldeep said and asked the players to produce an identity card with photograph attested by the District Secretary, along with the original Date of Birth cer-

tificate/ Aadhaar Card and passport.

The participants have been advised to appear before age screening committee on March 28 2024 at 5:00 PM at M.A Stadium Jammu.

In all as many as 400 players/ Officials drawn from all districts of JKUT are likely to participate in this championship for which playgrounds have been setup at M.A Stadium Jammu and Play Field Shastri Nagar Jammu, Magotra said. He further added that the Association shall provide free boarding / lodging and transport facilities to the teams and officials during the championship.

The Championship will be played on league-cum-knockout basis.

J&K UT Boxing C'ship from March 29

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JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir Amateur Boxing Association shall hold three-day J&K UT Boxing Championship under the aegis of Boxing Federation of India and J&K Olympic Association at MA Stadium, here from March 29 to 31. Sponsored by the J&K Sports Council, the event shall include participants in Sub Junior Junior Youth and Elite men and women from all the districts of the UT. For queries, boxers are advised to contact Sr Boxing coach Anil Wadhwa on 9419212497/70060315. The Association, in a handout issued here on Tuesday, advised the district units to register their boxers through prescribed entry form along with Aadhaar card and Date of Birth Certificate, which is mandatory for participation. Only one boxer allowed in one weight category from each district.

Bharat interacts with Poonch spikers



Senior member of Rajouri District Volleyball Association, Bharat Bhushan Sharma interacting with budding players.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS POONCH: Senior member of the Rajouri District Volleyball Association, Bharat Bhushan Sharma today interacted with the budding players of Shaheed DySP Manjit Singh Memorial Volleyball Club, here.

He encouraged those promising boys and asked them to follow the footprints of son of the soil, Saqlain Tariq, who has earned at the National stage.

Speaking to the trainees at the coaching facility of the Club, Sharma advised the boys to carry forward the legacy of those achievers from the district and stay focused by avoiding the bad habits.

Earlier, chairman of the Club, Mohd Tariq introduced trainees with the visiting official from Rajouri.

Important to mention here that Shaheed Manjit Club gears up for the Volleyball League in the town.

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JAMMU: Teacher's XI CC & Great Warriors CC entered into the finals of Martyrs Cup T20 Cricket Tournament being organised by Veteran Cricket Association J&K at MA Stadium Jammu.

Bisham Batra, Director Batra Group was Chief Guest who was accompanied by Ashish Singh, Vivek Suri and Amit Kumar, President, General Secretary and Vice president of Veteran Cricket Association J&K respectively.

Bisham Batra lauded the efforts of executive members of the Championship in conducting this mega event at Jammu by involving passionate cricketers, including the players from Kashmir region with the sole aim to promote veteran sports culture and to inspire youths in sports so that they stay away from drugs and other illegal activities.

In the Group of Death, all 3 teams were having an outright

Teacher's XI CC, Great Warriors CC enter finals of Martyrs Cup T20



Bisham Batra Director Batra Group being presented memento at the sidelines of the Match at MA Stadium Jammu.

chance to qualify for finals on net run rate.

Vivek Suri, Captain of Veteran Cricket Association J&K XI won the toss and elected to bat first and team got to a good start despite losing early wicket. VCAJK scored 152 runs in 20 overs losing nine wickets. Bhanu Gupta and Puneet Waatal scored 39 and 30 runs respectively. For Secretariat Sultans CC, Jamat Ali took four wickets, M Y Ittoo

took two wickets whereas captain Nazir Ahmed, Waseem Baba and Ijaz grabbed one wicket each.

To qualify for finals, VCAJK XI had to restrict Secretariat Sultans under 105 runs whereas Secretariat Sultans needed 125 runs to surpass third team if Teacher's XI.

VCAJK XI bowlers were on

the money from the beginning and dangerous looking Naseer was brilliantly stumped by Rajesh Bandral. At one point Secretariat Sultans were reeling on 85 for loss of 8 wickets but Waseem Baba kept his cool, ensured that his team crossed required 125 runs as per Run Rate. But there was a twist in the tale as a mix up and last wicket run out of batsman of Secretariat Sultans gifted Teacher's XI to qualify on NRR. Waseem, Tariq & Mushtaq scored 35, 22 & 20 runs respectively.

Veteran Cricket Association J&K XI won the match by 24 runs as Koushal Sharma took 3 wickets, Ashish Singh took 2 whereas Rahul Kait & Pawan Sharma grabbed one wicket each. Koushal Sharma was declared as Man of the Match.

In other match if the Great

Warriors defeated Amigoos Cricket Club by 45 runs. Sandeep Singh captain of Amigoos CC won the toss and elected to bowl first. Their bowler got initial inroads but Mohit Bali, Rohit & Amit Wali played important knocks of 35, 23 & 19 runs and took the score of team to 124 runs. For Amigoos CC Kuldeep Dalotra took 3 wickets whereas Rohit & Akhter share 2 wickets.

Chasing a good total, Amigoos was never comfortable and kept losing wickets at regular intervals. They were all out 79 runs. Akhter was the London fighter with 27 runs. For Great Warriors, Sumil Jalla & Sandy Bali took 3 & 2 wickets whereas Captain Inuran, Sanjeev Sharma, Amit Wali & Rohit shared 1 wicket each. Sunil Jalla was declared as Man of the Match for his brilliant spell.

Career Abacus honours students with medals, certificates

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JAMMU: Career Abacus, a unit of Career Educational Institutions established in 1995 and a leading Abacus Teaching Institute, on Tuesday organized Certificates and Gold Medals Distribution Ceremony in the auditorium of Govt. Polytechnic College, BIKRAM CHOWK, here.

Dr. Naveen Anand, Dean Academic Affairs, Cluster University, Jammu was the Chief Guest while Dr. Arun Bangotra, Principal Polytechnic College and Prof. D.S. Manhas were the Guests of Honour.

The Chief Guest, Guests of Honour and other guests were presented bouquets by the founder Director of the Institute Arvind Sharma.

The function started with the lighting of ceremonial lamp by the chief guest and other guests. Himani Sharma presented the welcome address.



Chief Guest and other dignitaries with students at prize distribution ceremony.

Gathering was informed that Career Abacus is a life member of World Abacus Research Foundation & Global Association of Japanese Abacus and the students undergoing Courses in any of its branches have the privilege to participate in National Competitions, International Competitions and International Grading Exams.

More than 450 certificates were awarded to the students who had completed different stages of the

Career Abacus Course. 185 Gold medals were awarded to the students who had scored 100% marks in the different Stages of the Career Abacus Course.

Chief guest in his motivating speech congratulated and encouraged the students for success in the future.

Students who were awarded Gold Medals: Aadhya, Aakrisht, Aarohi, Aarya, Aashray, Aashray, Abhirammi, Abhiyaan, Adhyav, Kushan, Aditri, Adiva,

Advaita, Ahrar, Amira, Ananya, Anhad, Atharav, Ayaana, Dilraaj, Dravin, Gooj, Hanshini, Harshdhir, Jasnoor, Kairav, Mahnoor, Manasavi, Paavni, Rishika, Saksham, Samreen, Sarvesha, Sinrat, Taapsee, Utkarsh, Viraa, Wareesha, Aadidev, Aahaali, Aahana, Aarav, Ansh, Anurag, Anyssa, Archit, Arihaan, Arnnav, Arnab Jain, Ayaan, Ayaansh, Ayaansh

Bhavyam, Chaitanya, Chitrakshi, Devin, Gantavya, Gunvika, Harjas, Hazel, Japanahad, Hridayveer, Jaskaran, Jiyaan, Kairavi, Karman, Kavish, Krishnaang, Krishika, Krishna, Maanveer, Mehdi, Midhat, Mohd.Toyib, Namish, Navisha, Navya, Neerek, Nimit, Nirbhay, Nirvaan, Noopur, Pavit, Pearl, Pragani, Rihansh, Saanvi, Saisha, Sambhav, Samridhi, Sanvi, Sarthak, Sarvagya, Satvik, Shashwat, Shiven, Shreeya, Soumaya, Smayra, Sushant, Tanmayra, Trishi, Urjit and Vani.

For smooth conduct of the function Divya Koul, Himani, Rajan Bhatti, Muskaan Dogra, Amrita, Vrinda, Gourav Kohli, Shikha, Karman, Himani, Nakul, Aditri, Sarvanshi were present.

Vote of thanks was presented by Aditri.

KCIS hosts Graduation Ceremony



Chief Guest Baldev Singh Billawaria, former Deputy Mayor with faculty members and students at Graduation ceremony.

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JAMMU: As a mark of progression and development KCIS Superkids celebrated Graduation Day on Tuesday to bless the students and encourage them to be great learners Chief Guest Baldev Singh Billawaria (Former Deputy Mayor), Guest of Honour; Chaitanya Chowdhary (President KC International School), Saroj Mahajan (General Secretary KCIS), Renu Anthony (Principal Jesus Cares Convent School), Madhavi Sharma (Senior Announcer Akashwani Jammu), Special Guest Dr. Manjulla Gupta (Assistant Professor; Higher Education J&K), Anupama Sinha (Principal KCIS) graced the occasion. KCIS Superkids Co-ordinator Arti Raina welcomed the guests and the parents. The programme commenced with lamp lighting ceremony followed by Ishwar Vandana dance performance by little girls of Class Blooming. Superkids welcomed all the guests with welcome song.

The highlight of the event was the skit performed by the stupendous kids on the moral "Knowledge is Light". Everyone applauded the acting skills of the performers. The students left

the audience spellbound with their energetic dance and yoga performance that promptly set the tone and mood of the atmosphere to an all-time high. The children shared their heart out about the experiences of the whole year: Parents of Superkids shared their thoughts about the teaching - learning and progress of their children in KCIS. The tiny tots all dressed up in graduation gowns and caps proudly received their graduation scrolls and trophies from the dignitaries. All the dignitaries felicitated the outstanding Performers of the year 2023-24. Arti Raina administered the oath ceremony of Superkids where all the kids stood in oath position and took the pledge to be successful and responsible citizen of the country with their hard work and dedication.

Billawaria complimented the graduates on their achievement and also congratulated the teachers for their dedication and hardwork. Guest of Honour and Special Guests congratulated and motivated the little graduates. The programme concluded with vote of thanks by honourable Principal KCIS Anupama Sinha.