

# Every child must be a Street Theatre artist: Principal JKPS Kunjwani

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JAMMU: Having felt elated at the creative endeavours of the young performers hailing from Girish Karnad Club of Performing Arts at JKPS Kunjwani, Principal Rajesh Rathore praised the students and their mentors for grooming children on how to show a creative expression to a social cause.

Reflecting on the significance of Street theatre, the Club Incharge Munish Gupta, PGT Economics shared, "it is a form of theatrical performance in outdoor public spaces without a specific paying audience. They prefer performing in outdoor spaces where there are large numbers of people. It is comprised of the performers, who want to experiment with performance spaces, or to cause mass awakening around".

"In the contemporary society, street play is used to convey a message to the crowd watching it. It's considered to be the form of creative acting, wherein focus should be on the theme, impactful dialogue delivery, repetition of simple and meaningful refrains feteling a powerful response



Young performers from Girish Karnad Club of Performing Arts at JKPS Kunjwani during various activities.

from the audience. It's also unique in the sense that each performer shouts out his/her heart without a microphone or loud speakers", he added.

Reflecting on the theoretical aspects of this genre, Suchita Raina said, "The logistics of doing street play is confined to arranging simple costumes and props, and often there

is little or no amplification of sound, with actors depending on their natural vocal and physical ability. Physical theatre, including dance, mime and slapstick, is a very popular genre in an outdoor setting. The performances need to be highly visible, loud and simple to follow in order to attract a crowd.

"Street theatre is arguably the oldest form of theatre in existence. At global level, most notable performers that began their careers as street theatre performers include Robin Williams, David Bowie, Jewel and Harry Anderson. Street theatre allows people who might not have ever been to, or been able to afford to go to, traditional theatre. The bonanza for the audience is that anyone and everyone may watch it and the performances are free entertainment", shared another theatre artist Sushma Sharma.

The students from Girish Karnad Club of Performing Arts prepared and presented the street play on the theme "Swachhita". It was an endeavour to create awareness regarding environmental conservation and optimal utilization of natural resources. This would create an everlasting impact on the audience who are motivated to conserve energy and other natural resources through daily life activities. Principal lauded the young performers and their mentors for creating the requisite social awareness in future leaders.

# T20 Cricket Premier League begins at Bhadarwah

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B H A D A R W A H : Bhadarwah Police organizing 10 days Range Police T20 Cricket Premier League 2022 under 'Khelo Khel Bhulo Nasha' at Bhadarwah on the directions of DIG of Police DKR Range, Dr Sunil Gupta.

The tournament is being organised at Sports Ground of PG College Bhadarwah under the banner of Range Police T20 Cricket Premier League-2022, in which 40 teams from different areas of Sub Division Bhadarwah are participating.

SSP Doda Abdul Qayoom was the Chief Guest and ASP Bhadarwah Aftab Ahmed Mir was the Guest of Honour, while SDPO Bhadarwah Meer Gafoor presided over the function.

DDC Member Bhadarwah-West Yudhvir



SSP Doda Abdul Qayoom inaugurating Cricket tournament.

Thakur, DDC Member Thathri Sandeep Singh, EO MC Bhadarwah Yousuf-Umar, Tehsildar Bhadarwah Showket Hayat Mattoo, ERO Bhadarwah Campus Arif Khateeb, SHO Bhadarwah Jatinder Singh Rakwal, Dr Shahid Mughal, Ashraf Goni, Tanveer Dev and others were also present on the occasion.

While inaugurating the tournament, Qayoom welcomed the players of different teams participating in the tournament and citizens who came here to witness the inaugural.

Qayoom said that the aim of this initiative is to divert the energy of youths in a positive way by providing them a platform where they can showcase their talent.

# Whites Cricket Club elects office bearers



Newly elected office bearers of WCC posing for a group photograph after election meeting.

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JAMMU: One of the prominent affiliate units of Jammu and Kashmir Cricket Association (JKCA)-Whites Cricket Club (WCC) held the General Body Meeting and elected new office bearers to run the affairs of the Club.

Cricket organiser and administrator Rajeev Pandita was unanimously elected as the President of the Club replacing MK Handoo, who hasn't served the Club for over sixty years.

First Class cricketer Rakesh Koul was elected General Secretary of the Club, while Raveesh Mengi was nominated as the Vice

President. Minu Raina was elected Treasurer of the Club, while Vijay Raina will be the Joint Secretary.

Earlier, before starting the proceedings, the members observed one minute silence to pay homage to former General Secretary of the Club, Late Chaman Lal Chhangoo, who has served the JKCA and the Club in different capacities including Vice Chairman. The general members of the Club include Ravi Pandita, Deepak Fotedar, Rohit Pandita and Sunil. Rajesh Dhar, General Secretary RCC Srinagar was observer of the election meeting.

# Environment Club of KCPS organises public awareness campaign

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JAMMU: KC Paryavaran Sadan (Environment Club) organized 'Say No to Plastic' Campaign at Rajinder Park on Canal Road today to increase public understanding and perception of the menace of plastic pollution and its available solutions, thereby empowering people and organizations to take action.

The main aim of the campaign was to engage and educate local community about dangers posed by plastic waste.

Under the programme 'Act today, change tomorrow', KC Public School (KCPS) students stand committed to their mission of salvaging planet earth and its delicate environment from the threat of



KCPS students and other dignitaries during a campaign.

pollution.

The objective of the campaign was also to make people aware of handling waste responsibly and to take steps towards a cleaner environment.

Holding placards and banners made on cloth and not on paper, they propagated a plastic-free envi-

ronment.

Aakarsh Roshan Sharma, President of KCPS Environment Club read out a collective pledge to choose only environmentally friendly products to reduce the risk of plastics pollution of our historic Ranbir Canal. Prior to the campaign,

the key position holders of KC Paryavaran Sadan had met the Secretary of JMC Atul Gupta and told him how passionate they are about environmentalism which is one of the major principles of Round Square educational ideology.

They also apprised him of the key leadership roles the students have undertaken in the implementation of numerous sustainable projects within the school such as drip irrigation, making eco bricks and composting.

JMC Secretary Atul Gupta, Chairman of Swachh Bharat Committee Hardeep Singh Mankotia, Ward Corporator Pramod Kapahi and dignitaries from JMC IEC Wing

including Rajat Gupta, Dheeraj Singh Manhas, Anuj Gandotra, Ankush Sharma, Bobel Chadgal and Sahil Kumar were also present.

Atul Gupta and Mankotia congratulated the management and Principal of KCPS for motivating their students to dedicate themselves to a cause of universal concern.

10 dustbins were also distributed by JMC with the aim to segregate solid waste.

JMC also promoted initiative of 'BYE - BYE Plastic', requesting local citizens to give 2kg of plastic waste and get in return a cotton or jute bag.

Teachers in-charge of the school Environment Club Kamaljeet Kaur, Surabhi Sharma, Sakshi Saini and RS Rep Sonia Thakur helped participating students in getting the area at Rajinder Park cleaned. The vote of thanks presented by Secretary of the Club, Mrimmay Mehta.

# JK UT Inter-School Rope Skipping C'ship concludes

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JAMMU: The Overall trophy All J&K Inter-school Rope Skipping Championship 2022 was won by Carmel Convent Higher Secondary School and the runner up was won by KC Gurukul School.

The Championship was concluded at International Delhi Public School, here on Friday Jammu.

Championship was organized by Rope Skipping Association of J&K in collaboration with International Delhi Public School Sunjwan, Jammu.

More than 350 students from various school of city participated in the event.

The event took place under the supervision of Danish Sharma Technical Director, Rope Skipping Association of J&K as well as National A



Winner team posing with dignitaries after receiving trophy.

Grade certified Rope Skipping Referee comprising technical team-Harsh Vardhan Raina, Anirudh Verma, Sinia Abrol, Rajesh Kumar Sharma, Saddam Hussain, Gaurav Kumar, Rudrakshit Gupta, Harsh Sharma, Nitish, Pranvi, Bhavna Gupta, Appu

Opening ceremony was attended by Chief Guest-Yasha Mudgal-, Secretary, Cooperative Department, Guest of Honour- Ranbeer Singh- SSP, Special Guest-Tarun Uppal- Chairperson Nirbhay Bharat, Swarn Singh Choudhary-MD (Finance) IDPS and Randeep Wazir - Principal, IDPS.

The closing ceremony was graced by Chief Guest-Sunil Kesar- KAS, Guest of Honour- Gul E Surkhab-International Ju-Jitsu Medalist, Special Guest-Sunil Kumar Sawhney a prominent social activist and Shilpa Mahajan-Principal, Shubh International School, Akhnour.

At last students were facilitated for their brilliant performance and their hard work.

# Derirelote-A lifts Girls Volleyball Championship trophy

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RAJOURI: Derirelote A outplayed Super Star Manjakote in the final and won the trophy of Girls Volleyball Championship organised by Romeo Force on collaboration with Jammu and Kashmir Sports Council and Volleyball Association of Rajouri, which concluded on Monday at Government Higher Secondary School Manjakote, here. A total of six teams took part in the championship.

In the final match played today, Derirelote A defeated Super Star Manjakote by straight 2-0 (25-21, 25-18) sets.

In the closing ceremony, Col. R.S Thakur was the Chief Guest and Mohd Tariq Incharge Volleyball Association Rajouri was the



Col. R.S Thakur presenting trophy to winner team.

Special Guest. They gave away trophies to winner and runner-up teams.

Others present were Samreen Anjum Sarpanch Manjakote, Ruksana Kouser Sarpanche Dehri Dhara, Mohd Sabar Khan Sarpanch

Hayatpur, Mohd Latief Sarpanch Mangalaha and Bashier Ahmed Incharge Sports Stadium Rajouri.

Today's match was officiated by Shabir Khan, Rashid Khan, Jameel Hussain, Mohd Sagir and Shakeel Khan.

Arya, Manzir to represent India D, E teams at Pondicherry

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JAMMU: Young and promising cricketers Arya Suvansh Thakur and Mohd Manzir have got the National Selectors nod to represent India D and India E in the forthcoming BCCI's prestigious Trophy to be held in Pondicherry. Arya is an opening batter, while Manzir is an all-rounder.

Earlier, Arya, Manzir and medium pacer Mani Jasrotia were picked for National Cricket Academy (NCA) Camp.

"Congratulations to both of you for being selected in India D and India E respectively. Keep the spirit up and make all of us proud," said Brig Anil Gupta in a congratulatory message to these cricketers.

The Junior Selection Committee of JKCA deserves appreciation for their selection.

It is pertinent to mention here that JKCA Junior Selection Committee included Arun Sharma (Chairman), Jagtar Singh, Zahoor Bhat and Vikrant Taggar.

# Distt-level Inter-zonal tournament begins at Indoor Complex Subhash Stadium



Participants posing for a photograph with dignitaries.

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UDHAMPUR: District level Inter Zonal Tournament for boys U/14 and U/17, in the disciplines of Kabaddi, Kho-Kho & Wrestling, took off at Indoor Complex Subhash Stadium Udhampur. The tournament is being organised by the department of Youth Services and sports under the patronage of Principal Secretary Youth Services & Sports Alok Kumar and under the Chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner Udhampur Kritika Jyotsna and under the overall supervision of District Youth Services and Sports officer Udhampur.

Ex- Deputy Director Youth Services & Sports J&K, Ashok Kumar Sharma was the chief guest, who declared the tourna-

ment open, while S. Svaran Singh District Youth Services and Sports Officer Udhampur presided over the function.

About 553 Boys drawn from across 11 Zones of District Udhampur took part in the tournament. Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Guest welcomed the participants and interacted with them. He also advised the participants to be Excellent in the academic section as well as in the sports so that they could be honoured in the State and National level Competitions. He also suggested the participants adopt new sports, Technology and sports man spirit and Play the game in a fair manner without any caste & creed.

Poonam Sharma ZPEO JIB;

Ajit Singh I/C ZPEO Udhampur; Som Dev Khajuria, Sanjeev Khajuria, Sanjeev Kumar, Karun Magotra, Ajay Sharma, S.

Jaswinder Singh, Bhoopinder Singh, Som Dev Khajuria, Romesh Chander Jatin Sethi, Anshu Khanna and Vipin Photra were also present.

## Inter-Departmental Tournaments 2021-22 at JU

# The Law School beats Political Science Deptt by nine wickets in Cricket

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JAMMU: The Law School beat Political Science Department by nine wickets in the men's cricket match conducted in the ongoing Inter-departmental tournaments of the Jammu University for the session of 2021-22, organized by the Campus Sports Committee at the University of Jammu in



Winner team posing for a photograph at JU.

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The matches were officiated by Raj Kumar Bakshi, Sadiq Hussain, Thair Mehmood, Manoj Kumar, Rahul Kumar and Saleem-ur-Rehman.

The tournaments are being organized under the supervision of Dr. Daud Iqbal Baba Chairman, Campus Sports Committee University of Jammu.

JKCA Orange: Akshit Gandral, Baehan Singh, Arnab Gupta, Udhay Pratap Singh, Rhytham Sharma, Shaurya Manhas, Sahil Imran, Achintya Raj Khajuria, Syed Shikawat, Piyyush Kant, Mohd Masood, Mohd Naveed, Mohd Sahil Zulf, Piyyush Sharma and Krishnaang Brahmin.