

JK Public School hosts Inter-House Swimming Meet 2025 with enthusiasm, declares pool closure for winter



Glimpses of Inter-House Swimming Meet 2025 at JK Public School Kunjwani on Tuesday.

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JAMMU: JK Public School Kunjwani proudly organized the much-awaited Inter-House Swimming Meet 2025 at its state-of-the-art swimming complex, setting the stage for an electrifying display of talent, sportsmanship, and team spirit.

The event commenced with a warm welcome address by Head Girl, Riya Slathia, followed by the traditional oath-taking ceremony,

wherein participants pledged to uphold the values of discipline, fair play, and camaraderie. The poolside resonated with cheers as swimmers competed in freestyle, breaststroke, backstroke, butterfly, and relay races across various age groups. The energy of the relay races, in particular, drew thunderous applause from parents and peers alike, turning the atmosphere into a true celebration of sporting excel-

lence. Students exhibited remarkable agility, resilience, and determination, leaving the audience spell-bound and earning admiration for their competitive spirit. The Chief Guest, Ajay Sharma, Superintendent of Police, Jammu, South, lauded the participants for their exceptional efforts and praised the school for nurturing young talents by providing them platforms to excel. He emphasized

that sports instill resilience, confidence, and leadership, qualities essential to success in every field. His inspiring address was met with loud cheers from the gathering. The event was graced by the presence of Raj Daluja, Chairman, JK Educational Society; Patron Neelam Daluja; Shashi Chaudhary, Director, JK Educational Society; Former Principal Pushpa Chawla;

Members of the Management- Siddharth Daluja, Sara Daluja, and Gautam Daluja; Principal Rajesh Rathore; Vice Principal Roopinder Kour; School Coordinator Inderjeet Kour; Primary Wing Coordinator Anju Raj; Toddlers' World Coordinator Shivangani Pangotra-along with staff, students, and parents. The much-coveted Championship Trophy was lifted by Tagore House, with Tilak

House securing the runner-up position. Among the individual achievers, Jaiwardhan Singh was declared Best Swimmer (Boys) for the second consecutive year; while Dhriti Gupta clinched the title of Best Swimmer (Girls). The meet concluded with the medal distribution ceremony, followed by the formal declaration of closure by Pushpa Chawla, Former Principal. A heartfelt vote of thanks was delivered by Head

Boy, Adarshpreet Singh, who acknowledged the collective efforts of management, coordinators, staff, and students in making the event a grand success. With the culmination of the Inter-House Swimming Meet, the school swimming pool will remain closed for the winter season from Wednesday, 17th September 2025, and will reopen in the forthcoming summer session as per schedule.

Gandhi Jayanti: Students revisit 'My Experiments With Truth' at GCOE Jammu



Principal GCOE, Dr. Jyoti Parihar honouring a student.

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JAMMU: Government College of Education Jammu began fortnightly events to commemorate Gandhi Jayanti, with a unique event titled "Decoding Gandhi: A Book Talk on My Experiments with Truth." The celebration aimed to delve into the life and philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi through the lens of his own autobiography. The event was held under the patronage of the College Principal, Dr. Jyoti Parihar. Dr. Parihar highlighted the importance of revisiting Gandhi's principles as

described in his own words, commending the college's faculty and students for their enthusiastic participation. She emphasized the book's enduring relevance, noting that it is not merely a historical account but a guide to self-discovery and a testament to the power of truth and introspection. The program was organized by Dr. Shalini Rana, IQAC Convener and head of the Literary Club of the college. Dr. Rajinder Kour, Coordinator B.Ed. and M.Ed. Courses offered a deep analysis of Gandhi's early life and his struggles,

while Prof. Balwan Singh spoke on the relevance of Gandhi's philosophy. Dr. Suraj Prakash highlighted the message of Peace and Non-Violence given by Gandhi. Dr. ShubhraJamwal also shared her perspectives on the enduring legacy of non-violence and truth. Rudardev Singh, the anchor, ensured a smooth and engaging flow throughout the program.ITEP students actively engaged in discussions and activities centered on the book, My Experiments with Truth. The highlight of the event was the competition based on the book. The first prize was awarded to Kusum Jamwal, V. Surajalakshmi bagged second place and Shriya secured the third position. Sourav, Lakshmi and Khushi also presented their analysis on the book by Gandhi. The celebration concluded with a vote of thanks. Shriya Sharma, representing the media, was also present to cover the event, capturing the spirit of the day's proceedings.

K C College of Education observes World Ozone Day

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JAMMU: Environmental Club of K.C. College of Education on Tuesday organized an activity to mark the forthcoming event of Environmental concern, 'World Ozone Day', the day proclaimed by the United Nations General Assembly as International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone layer. The members of the club organized a poster making activity on the theme for World Ozone Day 2025 - "From Science to Global Action". The theme emphasized the success of the Montreal Protocol in moving from scientific understanding of ozone depletion to global implementation of solutions. The main aim of the activity was applauded the partici-

pants by the convenor of the club, Dr. Puja Sharma - that is to spread the awareness about the importance of ozone layer & the importance of International cooperation to protect the ozone layer for the benefit of people and the planet. A good number of students of 3rd semester participated in the activity organized by the club who then educated the other students as the issue of preservation of ozone layer through their posters. Speaking on the occasion, Principal of the college, Dr. Sanjay Tickoo highlighted the importance of celebrating environmental related days and appreciated the efforts of the club for organizing such environmental activities. The whole programme was convened by Dr. Puja Sharma, Convenor, Environmental Club.



SKK's initiative for environmental stewardship among Divyang



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JAMMU: The J&K Samaj Kalyan Kendra (SKK) has launched an initiative to encourage environmental stewardship among its Divyang (hearing handi-capped) students. Thirty students have been selected who planted a sapling in a pot with their name on it. Each one of them will own a plant, nurture it by way of watering and providing manure etc and keep seeing its growth. Three such best grown plants will be selected and the concerned students will be given environmental awards after a year. The scheme will promote environmental stewardship among students by inculcating a habit of caring for plants besides learning the importance of nurturing

and protecting living things, which can foster in them a deeper respect for nature and the environment. By participating in this activity of plantation, they will have an appreciation for how their actions can positively impact the environment. The scheme is designed to enhance hand-on learning of Divyang students who will witness the plant life cycle, photosynthesis, and gradual growth. Seeing a plant they nurture, growing and flourishing will build among them students a confidence, sense of accomplishment and self-efficacy and understand as to how their efforts produce real, tangible results. The management of the SKK has been motivated

to launch this environmental initiative by following the call of the PM Narinder Modi for Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam, launched by the Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine Board in this monsoon. The Central Govt Pensioners' Welfare Association Jammu which has adopted SKK & the School, has joined in the initiative of SMVDS Board and promoted distribution of plants produced in Katra nursery, among pensioners and other agencies. These plants have been procured from Vaishnavi Vatika" at Vaishnavi Dham, Rail Head Complex, Jammu and given to the Divyang who have shown a lot of excitement and interest.