

ANNUAL REPORT TO BE PRESENTED ON THE OCCASION OF 11TH ANNUAL DAY

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Our **Sixth batch of Class 10 and First batch of Class XII** students came out in flying colours with 100% result in the CBSE Examination. Out of the 15 students appeared in Class XII, six of them secured above 90%, with two of them securing 94.6%. Out of the 85 students who appeared for Class 10, 28 of them secured above 90%, with the highest score being 96.6%.

We also had students securing 100% in subjects like English, Mathematics and Social Science.

I congratulate everyone for their success. In a couple weeks, our **Seventh Batch of Class X, 108 students and Second Batch of Class XII, 22 students** will be appearing for the CBSE Board Examinations. I take this opportunity to wish all my students to do their very best in this examination.

I am also happy announce that we have decided to increase the number of optional subjects for the **Senior Secondary**, by adding **THREE vocational subjects, Design, Applied Mathematics and Information Technology**, from the academic year 2020-21.

International Recognition:

Sirius Russia:

Atal Innovation Mission, NITI Aayog, Government of India had partnered with the Sirius Center, Russia, to provide opportunity to the students from Top 100 teams of ATL Marathon 2018-19. **Master Noel Mathew, student of Class9** was one among the 25 students

who represented India at Sochi, Russia to attend a week-long learning on Deep Technology.

Cornell University, USA

Post qualifying for the debate competition at Vivekananda Institute of Indian Studies, **Ms Mrudula Hamsini of Class 10**, was chosen to participate in a week long, all expense paid, International Debate Camp held at Cornell University, USA.

New York Academy of Science

Master Karan K raj has been invited to attend the Global STEM Alliance Summit to be held in New York City, by the New York Academy of Sciences, in Summer 2020. He is one among the **900 students** from **64 countries** and his area of exploration is Space Colonization, centered around sustainable habitat on moon to support life. There are THREE Students from Mysore who are selected to attend this event, of which two students are alumini of EPS.

Karan K Raj has also received a recommendation from the New York Academy of Sciences to attend a **three-week STEM Boot-camp from New York University** and a **pre-collegiate programme at the Stanford University**. I wish him all the best for his success in both the programmes.

This year we had a record breaking entry of 24 Excellites into the fifth Cohort of The Junior Academy, an initiative of the New York Academy of Sciences, Global STEM Alliance (GSA). They were among the **10% of the applications across 112 countries shortlisted by the Academy** and will be designing innovative solutions to global challenges.

In recognition to this, EPS received a special invite to become a **Member School**, which gives us the **advantage of empowering teachers to become STEM advocates**, and **gain special access to curricular resources and STEM mentoring programs for both our students and teachers**. It is certainly a great honor and a rare distinction for Excel Public School.

NASA

Master Karan K raj is also one of the top performers in the online exam conducted by Go4Guru. He has been invited to take part in the International Space Science Olympiad at Kennedy Space Centre, NASA in May 2020.

National Recognition:

In the **Atal Innovation Marathon 2018** organized by the Niti Ayog, govt. of india, for its **5400 plus** Atal Tinkering Labs, Excel Public School had a **record breaking win of 5 projects being selected from one school to the top 200 innovations**, of which the project "Power Flower" was shortlisted to the top 100 innovations. The team comprising Noel Mathew, Nikhil Mahesh Kumar and Vinyas Chandrashekhar devised an improved version of Vertical Axis Wind Turbine that can efficiently harness clean energy. They also attended a boot camp at Jyothi Institute of Technology, Bangalore.

I am glad to say that this year too we have 11 projects by our students entering in to the THIRD phase of **Innovation Marathon 2019**.

The ATL at Excel Public School was awarded the **ATL School of the Month** recognition **TWICE** during the current academic year, in **May and August 2019**. This recognition is given to **TOP 30 Tinkering Labs** from across the nation out of the **5400 plus** ATLs.

Brainfeed School Excellence Awards 2019

EPS was awarded the **School Excellence Award 2019** and top 500 schools of India in the categories of Best CBSE schools, Infrastructure schools, Techno Smart Schools, Excellence in Life Skill Education, Happiness Quotient Index Schools, for enriching the standards in imparting excellence in education to the GenNext Learners.

India International Science Festival (IISF)

18 students and 2 teachers from EPS were invited to attend India International Science Festival, at the Biswa Bangala Convention Centre Kolatta between 5th and 8th November, organized by the Ministry of Science and Technology, and Ministry of Earth Sciences and Vijnana Bharati (VIBHA), Govt. of India. The intent of this program was to engage the public with science, and show the ways how science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) provide us with the solutions to improve our lives.

The Green School Certificate

The Centre for Science and Environment (CSE) has audited the quality of school's resources such as Air, energy, food, land, water and waste and ranked EPS **first in Karnataka and 23rd at the national level**. 1704 schools across India participated in the green school audit programme this year. Collaborative effort of the students and the gardeners yielded this result.

Testimony to it is that EPS bagged the **first place in the decorative garden category** for the **fifth consecutive year**, at the Annual Dasara Fruit and Flower Show 2019 organized by the horticulture department.

State Recognition

Prayoga Science Cascade 2.0 Competition

6 teams from EPS comprising 23 students were shortlisted for the **Prayoga Science Cascade 2.0 Competition, a state-level contraption festival**, held at Bangalore and EPS won the **first and second prize** in the Mt. Everest Category and **second Prize** in the Kanchenjunga category.

Vidyarthi Vigyan Manthan 2019

Vidyarthi Vigyan Manthan (VVM) is a national program for educating and popularizing science among school students of grade 6 to 11. It is organized by Vijnanan Bharati, Vigyan Prasar and NCERT. Online exams were conducted at different schools across 27 states in India. Four students from EPS were shortlisted for the state camp. **Master Rohith Suresh** of class 8 has been selected for the National Camp that will be held in Chandigarh in May 2020.

STING "Innovative School of the Year Award"

Excel Public School was declared the 'Innovative School of the Year Award' at the state level science and technology fest "STING 2020" jointly organized by Karnataka Science and Technology Academy (KSTA), Department of Science and Technology, Government of Karnataka in collaboration with Eggheads Education. Students presented their ideas on "Green Earth" and won the first and second prize along with the recognition of "Innovative School"

Excellence in Teaching

As on today, EPS is a strong force of **103 teaching faculty, 14 administrative staff and 86 ancillary staff** and the student strength being 1608, as on today. All our Teachers have undergone 18 days of in-house Professional Development Programme since May 2019. In addition to this 40 teachers have attended workshops, seminars and training programmes organized by various agencies, organizations and service providers, conducted both in Mysore and at other places.

50 of our staff have undergone 2 days of Fire safety and safe evacuation training organized at our school by the State Fire Department.

50 teachers are currently enrolled in Post graduate diploma programme in Counseling and Guidance through the Institute of Counselor Training, Research and Consultancy, New Delhi.

In addition to this, 37 teachers have successfully completed the Central Teacher Eligibility Test.

Ms. Gowri Ramesh, Social Science teacher and **Ms Prathima**, co-ordinator, were winners at the 2-day Guru Manthan 2019 state-level contest organized by Swami Vivekananda Youth Movement, which was a unique initiative to transform teaching-learning methodology and make teaching more creative.

In another event, **Ms Maria Ashwini and Ms Divya Shetty** were ranked among the top five **Master Thought Provokers** in a national level contest held for school teachers by Open-door Education.

Ms Amita Saxena has received the Rajasthan Gourav Ratan Award in the category of contributions in the field of Education especially for under-privileged high school children. She also received Saraeswat Sanmman for her book "Man Bhavan Kahaniya". She has also successfully completed her Doctorate in Hindi Literature.

Kannada Book Released

'**Sumana Guccha**'- A collection of Kannada poems written by the students was released by the Kananda Department of EPS on the occasion of the Kannada Rajyotsava celebrations 2019.

School and Community

A helping hand

Excel Public School has rolled out a Social Outreach Programme this year with an intent of developing values in students of '**giving back**' to the society. Partnering with **Pratham, an NGO** in Mysore in the field of education, a twinning program was initiated with student volunteers of EPS, to mentor students of a **government school in MG Koppal, Hebbal**. The Twinning involves direct interaction between students of both the schools to increase the **Conversational English skills and basic Computer skills**.

Community Service

EPS believes in innovative practices especially during the need of the hour. In the light of the devastation suffered by the people of **North Karnataka, Coorg and parts of Kerala**, students donated essential items including clothing and blankets.

We have been able reach out to **FOUR organizations and a few individuals** through the Social Outreach programmes, and with the help of the Charity Fund that we maintain with the help of the parents, students and staff.

Parents-School Engagement

Be the change 2.0

In Excel Public School, the role of the parent community is always welcomed. They are equal partners in educating children and have supported and catered to the school's needs. Throughout the year, we have parents supporting the school through sharing knowledge on their area of expertise, which benefits students to understand the nitty-gritty of different professions.

- Around 100 Parents as part of the Parent Volunteer Programme
- 85 Parents on Teachers' Day (all the classes from LKG to Plus 2)

- 78 Parents for the Kids Dhamaal
- 25 parents in the green room today

Career Fest

A **"Career Fest"** was organized for the students of classes 10, 11 and 12, which was open to students of other schools and colleges. This fest facilitated a connection between their academic pursuits and professional endeavors. The day-long event had speakers talk about disruptive technologies and career landscape by 2030. The event also featured individual presentations from various universities, colleges and banks.

Inter-School Talent Sharing - Tinkering Festival

83 students from various schools of Bangalore and Mysore participated in a **two-day workshop cum competition**, which showcased 18 projects related to artificial intelligence. Students created a prototype, identified potential customers and prepared a business-plan for finding solutions to crucial problems in our society.

Higher Studies in the US

We organized an interactive session with representatives from FOUR Universities on the **opportunities and possibilities for higher studies in the US**. This was attended by the students of Classes 10 to 12.

Regional summit for School Principals

EPS recently hosted a Regional Summit for School Principals on the topic 'Principal Teacher Relationship in Changing Times, in collaboration with the Institute of Counsellor Training, Research and Consultancy, New Delhi.

Harmony Quiz

In association with the Round Table 156, EPS also hosted a special programme titled, Harmony Quiz, where students from govt. school and from a school for the specially-abled participated in this event, along with the students of EPS.

- Road Safety Awareness in association with the Traffic Police Dept.
- Corona Virus awareness programme in association with Dept. of Community Medicines, JSS Medical College

Co and Extra-Curricular Activities

Our students have also participated in various co-and extra-curricular programmes and events both in-house and external and have brought many laurels to themselves as well as to the institution. Due to paucity of time, I am not going to details all their achievements, however, I wish to congratulate all those students who participated in all such events and the teachers who prepared them.

Conclusion

Before I conclude, let me place on record my sincere gratitude to all those who are working for the good of this institution. An enlightened management is the biggest asset of an educational institution and we are fortunate to have progressive visionaries who work so selflessly and earnestly for the growth of this institution, at its helm. I am grateful to all of them. I would like to mention the names of our beloved Chairman Prof. M H Dahanajaya and Secretary Mr. D Sudhanva and the Trustees in this context. There is a dedicated team headed by Mr. H M Prashanth and the other members of the School Managing Committee working towards the realization of the educational mission of Excel Education and E-Learning Trust. A word of gratitude and appreciation to all my colleagues at Excelsoft for their support and timely assistance. Committed and dedicated faculty is the bedrock of any educational institution. We are blessed with a committed, dedicated and passionate team of educators and sincere and committed team of non-teaching staff who always keep the welfare and progress of the institution in mind and work diligently towards the realization of this goal. My sincere gratitude to all our students and their parents who always stand by us at all times, both good and bad.

We are fully aware of the tremendous task lying ahead of us and we will leave no stone unturned in our constant efforts to provide a unique learning experience to the students send in our direction. We will utilize all our experience and expertise to make sure that EPS becomes a synonym for contemporary education in India. The unwavering trust of our parents, the love and respect of our students, and the commitment and dedication of the faculty, and of course, the presence of an enlightened and progressive Management are our strengths. One thing I can assure you, that Excel Public School will be second to none in providing quality education in and around Mysore.

Thank you one and all.

Mathew K G

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