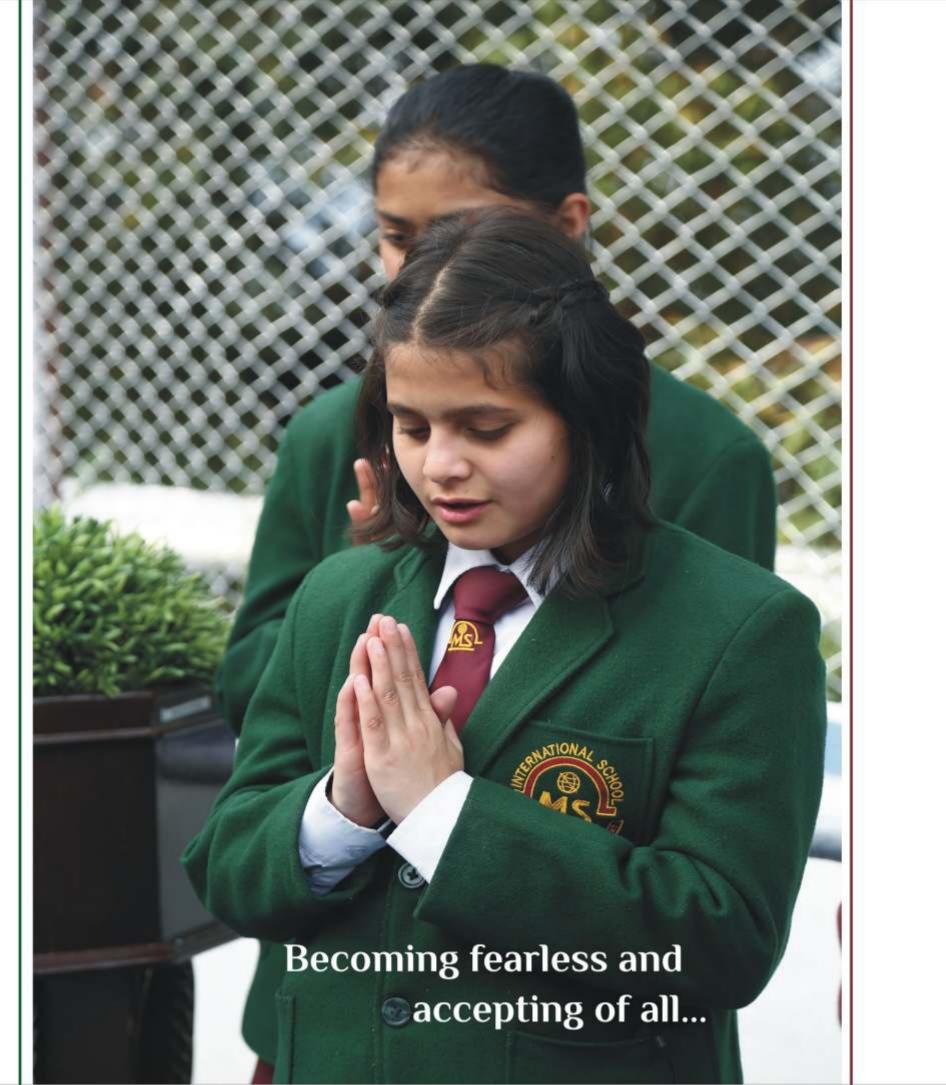


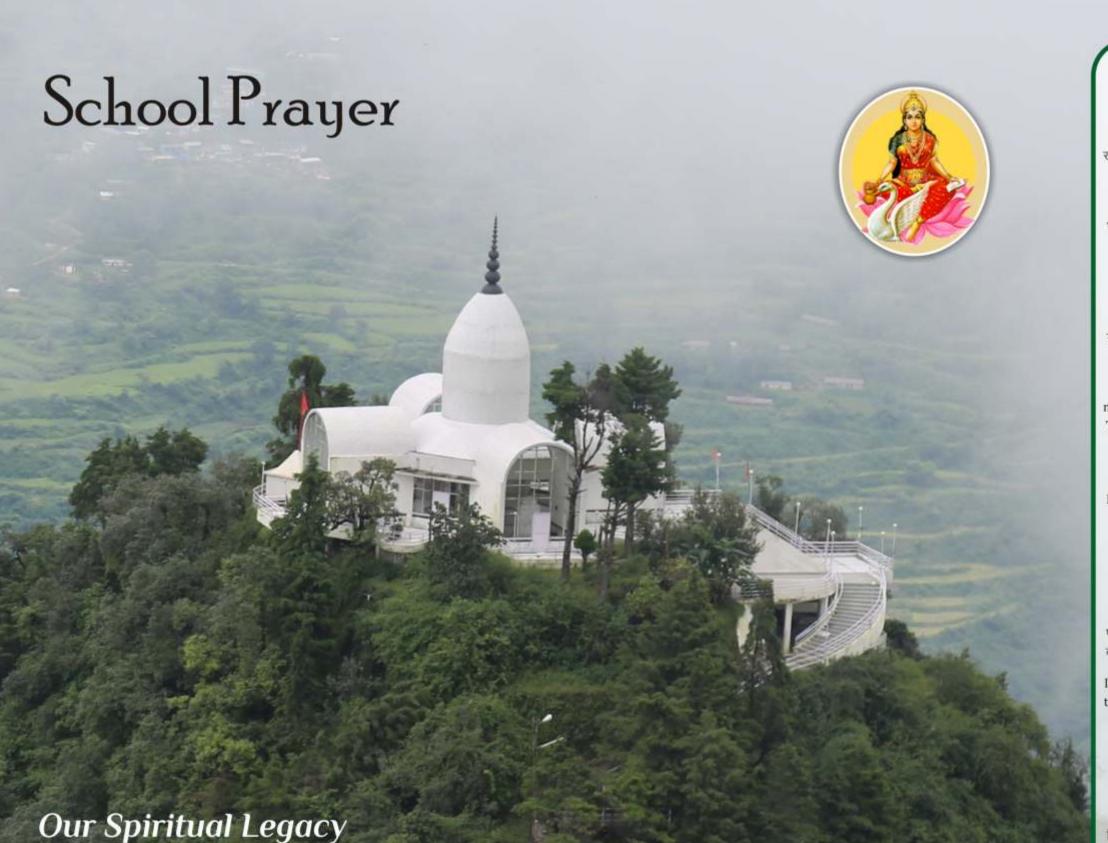
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उस प्राणस्वरूप, दुखनाशक सुखरवरूप, श्रेष्ठ, तेजस्वी, पापनाशक, देवसमान परमात्मा को हम अंतरात्मा में धारण करें। वह परमात्मा हम सबकी बृद्धि को सन्मार्ग की ओर प्रेरित करें।

#### गायत्री मंत्र

ॐ मंत्र भूर्भवः स्वः ! तत्सवितुर्वरेण्यं भर्गोदेवस्य धीमहि धियो योनः प्रचोदयात गुरुः साक्षात् परब्रह्म तस्मै श्री गुरवे नमः।।

'गुरू' (अज्ञानता को दूर कर ज्ञान देने वाले) ही बह्म हैं, गुरू ही विष्णु हैं, गुरू ही शिव हैं और गुरू ही परब्रह्म हैं, उस सदगुरूदेव को मेरा नमस्कार है।

Meaning: The guru (Preceptor) is none other than Brahma, the Creator. The Guru is none other than Vishnu, the Preserver. The Guru is none other than the Great Shiva, the Destroyer. The Guru is verily Brahman itself. To the divine Guru, I bow.

अखंड मंडलाकारं व्याप्तं येन चराचरम्। तत्पदं दर्शितं येन तस्मै श्री गुरवे नमः।।

मंडलाकार संपूर्ण बद्धांड के जितने भी सजीव एवं निर्जीव प्राणी हैं उन सब में परमात्मा का वास है। उस ब्रह्म की पहचान करवाने वाले सदगुरूदेव को मेरा प्रणाम है।

I bow to the divine Guru who reveals to one the divine being that encircles and permeates the moving and the non-moving.

अभीष्सितार्थं सिच्यर्थं पूजितो यः सुरासुरैः। सर्वविधनं हरस्तरमै गणाधिपतये नमः।।

भावार्थः अपनी मनोकामनाओं की पूर्ति के लिये देव-दानव जिनकी पूजा करते हैं, जो सब बाधाओं का निवारण करने वाले हैं ऐसे गणेशजी---

For the fulfilment of their wishes the deities and demons worshipped Lord Ganesha who removes all the difficulties and hurdles. I bow to that Ganapati. May He Remove all my difficulties and fulfil my desires.

सर्वमंगल मांगल्ये शिवे सर्वार्थ साधिके। शरण्ये त्र्यंबके गौरि नारायणि नमो ऽस्त् ते।।

भावार्थः सभी प्रकार से मंगल करने वाली, मनोरथों की पूर्ति करने वाली शरणागतों की रक्षा करने वाली, तीन नेत्रों वाली, गौरवर्णी माता नारायणी तुम्हें नमस्कार है।

O auspicious One, you are the source all auspiciousness. You are the accomplishes of all cherished desires. You are the giver of refuge. You possess the eye of wisdom and very beautiful form. O Power Divine! Salutations to you.

विद्यावन्तं यशस्वन्तं लक्ष्मीवन्तं जनं कुरू रूपं देहि जयं देहि यशो देहि द्विषो जहि।।

भावार्थः है माता अंबे ! तुम अपने मक्तजनों को विद्वान् यशस्वी और लक्ष्मीवान् बनाओ। उन्हें रूप, यश और विजय देकर उनके द्वेषमाव को मिटाओ।

O Mother Ambe, give knowledge, success and riches to your devotees. Bestow upon them beauty, victory and conquest and remove jealousy in

सरस्वति महाभागे विद्ये कमललोचने। विश्वरूपे विशालक्षि विद्यां देहि नमो ऽस्तुते।।

भावार्थः कमल के समान नेत्रोंवाली, ज्ञानदायिनी, विशालनयना, विश्वरूपिर्ण सरस्वती को मेरा प्रणाम है। हे माँ, आप मुझे विद्या प्रदान करें। O lotus eyed, giver of knowledge, embodiment of the whole universe, I bow down to you. Please enlighten me with true (vidya) knowledge.

मूकं करोति वाचालं पंगु लंघयते गिरिम्। यत् कृपा तमहं वन्दे परमानंद सागरम्।।

भावार्थः जिनकी कृपा से गूँगा बोलने लगता है और अपाहिज पर्वत लांघ जाता है ऐसे आनंदसागर श्रीकृष्णा परमात्मा को मैं वन्दन करता हूं।

I salute the all-blissful Lord of auspiciousness, whose compassion makes the mute eloquent and the crippled cross mountains.

वेदात्मनाय विद्महे हिरण्यगर्भाय धीमहि तन्नो ब्रह्म प्रचोदयात्

भावार्थः सृष्टि के कारण और कर्ता ज्ञान स्वरूप ब्रह्माजी का हम ध्यान करते हैं। वह ब्रह्माजी हमें सुमति प्रदान करें।

We contemplate on the embodiment of the highest wisdom. We meditate upon the very First Cause. May that Brahman-the infinite being-ever guide our understanding.

नारायणाय विद्महे वासुदेवाय धीमहि तन्नो विष्णुः प्रचोदयात्

भावार्थः उस परमधाम का हम स्मण करते हैं और उस तेजस्वी और अव्यक्त परमात्मा का ध्यान करते हैं। वह श्रीविष्णु हमें प्रोत्साहित करें।

We contemplate on the supreme abode of all. We meditate upon the effulgent yet un-manifest Being. May that al-pervading Lord ever inspire

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तत्पुरूषा य विद्महे महादेवाय धीमहि तन्नो रूद्रः प्रचोदयात।।

भावार्थः सबमें बसने वाले उस महादेव का हम ध्यान करते हैं। दुष्ट तत्वों का संहार करने वाले शिवजी हमें मार्गदर्शन करें।

We contemplate on the indweller of all. We meditate upon the Lord supreme. May that destroyer of all evils ever direct us.

> सर्वे भवन्तु सुखिनः सर्वे सन्तु निरामयाः सर्वे भद्राणि पश्यन्तु मा कश्चित् दुःखभाग भवेत् ऊँ शान्तिः शान्तिः शान्तिः।

भावार्थः (संसार में) सब सुखी हों। सभी आरोग्यवान् हों। सभी सत्य को देखें और किसी को भी कष्ट न हों। सब लोक में शान्ति हो।

May all be happy.

May all be free from diseases. May all realise what is good. May none be subject to misery. OM Peace. Peace!

**Built Over 38 Years** 

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#### **Our Vision**

To provide a platform to each girl to explore her latent talent in the desired field.

#### Our Mission

Inspiring our girls to be fearless leaders and women of integrity by promoting a culture of enduring educational excellence, social, emotional, physical wellness in a caring, happy, secure and spiritual environment enriched with the values of discipline, mutual care, respect and tolerance.

#### **Our Motto**

Dhiyo Yanah Prachodayat -Rigveda 3.62.10

Who(यो) (we pray to) propel(प्रयोदयात) our(नः) intellect(धियों)

on the Divine - righteous path to unfold spiritual potentiality and enlightenment.

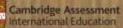
TRADITIONAL VALUES

MODERN OUTLOOK











**Business Conclave** 

Mock Parliament



## Message from our Chief Patron

Dr. Shayama Chona

Founder, President of Tamana Association The Former Principal of Delhi Public School, R.K. Puram, New Delhi Padam Bhushan 2008 Padma Shri 1999

Another academic year comes to an end. It was a year full of challenge and strife but despite of the challenges, problems, losses and downs MIS stood like a rock. The cooperation of the staff, students and their parents is praiseworthy. Under the able stewardship of the Principal Ms. Meeta Sharma and the Chairmanship of Mr. Shantanu Prakash,we have emerged stronger and wiser and enlightened to the fact that we can transform even despair into hope and suffering into joy through our determination and positive attitude. Despite the challenges, we continued with our endeavour of nurturing future global leaders with

unique multifarious opportunities like the MUN, Business Conclave, ICAN and Senior lead Junior programs. The focus was also equally on uniting to do our bit for the society as the school actively engaged in donation & cleanliness drives, community outreach and the village immersion program. These opportunities went a long way in sensitising the students towards those in need and to inculcate humanitarian values.

The girls continued to excel on the academic front as well and I must congratulate the management, principal, staff and students for the same. I am sure these girls will shine in all spheres of life wherever they decide to spread their wings and fly to. I really hope each and everyone of them emerges as an emissary of hope for a better future for humanity and leave a legacy behind. I wish them the very best.

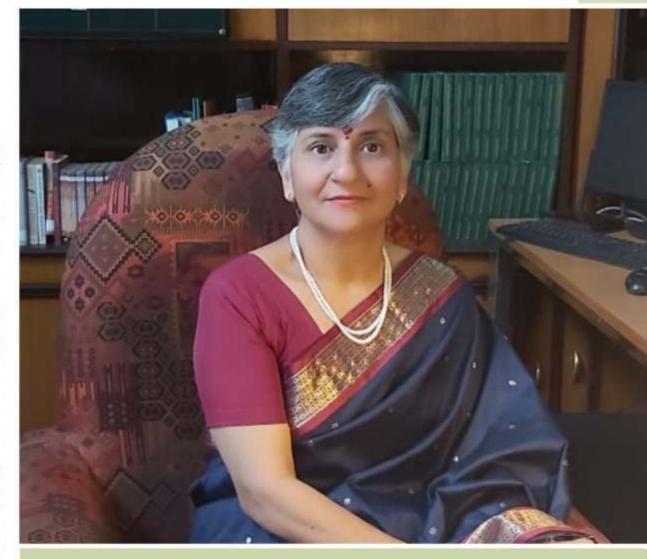
# From the Principal's Desk

2020 has been a year unlike any other, a global pandemic, the deepest global recession since World War II, rising inequality around the world and much more. While virtually all sectors of the economy were affected, education systems around the world were severely hit, with more than 188 countries forced to close schools in March 2020 and many remaining closed throughout the year. In spite of the year being marred with tragedy and heartaches, necessity education innovations and new approaches emerged at MIS as we transformed education beyond imagination.

MIS leapfrogged towards more equitable and relevant learning ecosystem for all girls at school with improved student agency, game changing role of parents creative ways of parent engagement, with the parents stepping up like never before to support school and the girls in unique ways. The School found new virtual education allies in the form of families to unthoughtof influencers, enabling an extraordinary learning experience for girls while at home with the potential of education technology. Heroic efforts of MIS educators to innovate, to continue student learning, developing creative, context-driven learning solutions using varied technology techniques of assessment is applaudable. I must say the School's emergency preparedness and how the stakeholders, stepped-in to help out at their own expense of time and comfort is strongly indicative about the positive relations between the school and the parent community at large. We imperatively built together a more resilient and positive education ecosystem. Initial short-term stopgap measures led the way to develop education that took into account long-term learning goals. My gratitude to parents for supporting and lauding the teachers for their skills, and their care taking roles that sky-rocketed MIS to great heights. It is hard to imagine there will be another moment in time in history, where the central role of education will be so well understood.

MIS is a privileged learning community however, seeing the loss of learning in India as well as worldwide; I wish that all schools reopen their doors. I hope that a decade from now when I look back at 2020 not as a moment when the global education community reverted to old strategies of access first, learning second, but as a moment that propelled education systems into new, more effective ways of providing quality, relevant teaching and learning experiences to students.

I heartily congratulate all MIStars of the class of 2021, who stand promoted to the next level of their education. I am proud to have you all as part of the MIS fraternity of happy, thriving, and resilient learners who did not stop learning despite all odds with the COVID Virus playing havoc at an international level.



#### Ms. Meeta Sharma

This year book is mostly a reflection of MIS thoughts of the year gone by. In my view it is the most special edition till date in the history of four decades which highlights the incredible events demonstrating diligence, motivation and determination to work despite the halting pandemic, another first with most events carried on the virtual platform. As you go through the pages it is evident that each stakeholder of the MIS learning community has done his/her bit to ensure that a positive culture prevailed while creating the awe inspiring learning engagements.

True to the mission of the school, MIS shall stay committed to its legacy of excellence. I look forward to a safer and happier world where the loss of learning at a larger platform is taken care of, where the learning gaps are filled and where with an international mindset we work towards the UN Sustainable Development, Goal 4, that aims to "ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all."

I hope you enjoy this exceptional yearbook 2020, of exceptional times collated with exceptional effort.

Stay Safe, Positive in Mind, Negative in your testing.

We keep striving on the path of excellence, come what may!

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#### Dear MIS Community,

We have come to the end of yet another very challenging year to the entire education fraternity. The pandemic forced the entire shift in the learning process where online teaching and learning by teachers and students have been used on an unprecedented scale. It is indeed a stimulating, incredible opportunity to change the education system in one clean sweep. Imagine how a community of teachers across the globe is learning almost simultaneously absolutely new ways of virtual teaching and connecting with students. It is a no options environment for all of us. We either reinvent or perish. I consider myself fortunate enough to have worked with many dedicated, innovative and Each day was filled with new experiences, learning for all, and the ability to make someone's day better.

The academic year was a transformational experience in our lives packed with many innovative teaching learning techniques with exposure to all together new innovative changes in the pursuit of change for the better and reach to the pinnacle of triumph despite the pandemic. The journey to success is a long one and is often fraught with difficulties but the MIStars of our school persevere on despite

# From the Vice Principal's Desk

Girish Chandra Uniyal Head of Academics

the odds. The school curricula, policies and practices are constantly reviewed and adapted keeping in mind the emerging teaching and learning trends and best practices from across the globe.

Mussoorie International School left no stone unturned in taking all possible initiatives to uphold the role of students' attitude towards learning in maximizing the potential on digital learning in collaboration with many upgraded teaching learning resources like Fliplearn classrooms, Google meets, zoom and many more. Moreover, parents and teachers play a vital role in supporting students to develop crucial attitude for learning, particularly during lockdown, targeted policy interventions were designed with the aim to ensure that it assists both the students and teachers to make the most of digital learning. The school along with running academic classes ensured about the overall development of students by incorporating an active learning schedule for co-curricular activities as well. Moreover, in collaboration with Health Set Go, the school ensured active involvement of students and the faculty in multiple activities leading to skill building.

The school along with ensuring the well being of its students and staff also catered to the need of hunger and sanitation to it community. This gesture motivated our students where they as well took initiative to help their society is this need of crisis.

Since assuming the office of the Vice Principal at MIS it has been my mission to provide the best quality education to prepare future leaders. The MIS teaching and administration fraternity have been the driving force behind this mission who have constantly been trying to overcome this finite phase with equanimity, nerves of steel and heart brimming with love and compassion for each other with a pledge to take MIS to even greater heights in the future.

## Pastoral Care

#### Dr. Hemal Gala Makhijani Head of Pastoral Care

Pastoral care at MIS is not merely a complementary practice, it is a policy and practices fully integrated throughout the teaching and learning and structural organisation of a school to effectively meet the personal, social (wellbeing) and academic needs of students.

The health and wellbeing of students is increasingly being attributed to school conditions, school relationships, means of fulfilment and health status. It is a commitment to an active demonstration of concern for the growth and wellbeing of each student in the school community. It focuses on cultivating an environment and culture that supports the physical, social, intellectual, emotional and spiritual development of every student. From this perspective, pastoral care assists students to develop positive self esteem, healthy risk taking, goal setting and negotiation, thus enhancing their strengths and other protective factors contributing to their resilience as well as developing a sense of social cohesion that together can improve their overall health and wellbeing.

MIS community encourages team building, facilitates peer learning, develop skills and knowledge to address specific problems, celebrates achievements and contributions. We promote strong partnership between home and school.

Quality pastoral care is stressed on the whole student (personal, social and academic) and it engages all members of the school



community as providers of pastoral care. It actively involves the community in consistent, comprehensive, multi-level activities which incorporate whole school approaches, class or other group approaches.

We ensure that there is always someone at hand to listen and to laugh with. Links with children's tutors are very close and each boarder's day and boarding experience is approached as a whole with the individual child at the centre. House mothers are always at hand for parents to contact or see and the partnership with whom is increasingly important as children build their time in boarding.

Key Facts
About
MIS



38 Years legacy: Established in 1984



Situated In

Mussoorie,

Uttrakhand



Spread Across an Area of 40 Acres



MIS is now an IAYP
School



All Girls Boarding School for classes

1 - 12



Student Teachers Ratio

1:10



Ranked 1

Best All Girls Residential School in Pastoral Care

"Legacy is not built overnight, but over time"

## Student Diversity Spanning over 27 Countries







## Academic Ethos

Enquiry and Discovery are our favourite Lessons

The MIS academic ethos focuses on encouraging the girls to utilise their talents, and develop their intellectual and creative interests so that they remain interesting and interested young women for the rest of their professional and personal lives. The girls need to understand their own culture and history, as well as their own geographical, scientific and spiritual theory and language. The school's academic environment is constructed such that the girls are able to develop their knowledge and interest in these areas in

Girls at MIS are expected to be independent thinkers, develop first class critical reading, writing and analysis skills, learn to understand the value of research across all areas of the curriculum and be selfmotivated and self-driven through a genuine love of the subject and not only by intrinsic rewards. Girls should be aware of other girls' weaknesses and strengths and be able to develop an understanding for them. Service and an understanding of each other's cultural backgrounds and religions is a crucial aspect of academic and wider life at MIS.

they are born and will live.



## Academic Reports



Dr. Ponny Chacko IBDP Coordinator



"Education is for improving the lives of others and for leaving your co unity and world better than you found it." - MarianWright Edelman

Aimed at developing the intellectual, social, emotional and physical well-being of students, Mussoorie International School offers the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme, The IB Diploma Programme is a rigorous educational challenge comprised of six subject groups and an addition of three core components, the IBDP teaches the student not to be dependent only on the classroom teaching but inculcating the hands-on activity/learning, project based-learning and Visual Thinking Routine (VI'R), thus developing their own critical and creative thinking skills during the teaching-learning process.

Here at Mussoorie International School, IBDP students know what it is to compete with students all around the world and we work to make the best out of everyone. Be it the exploration required in Mathematics, or the 4000-word research paper based on a subject of interest which we call the Extended Essay (EE) or the Curatorial Exhibition put up by the Art students or the Theory of knowledge (TOK) wherein the students are stimulated to apply critical reflection on knowledge and experience, the IBDP students of MIS always stand out in making learning not the product of teaching but the product of the activity of learners.



Shalini Batra CAIE Coordinator



"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world"

- Nelson Mandela

Cambridge Assessment International Education is a Cambridge University initiative for school education to provide international qualification. In order to stimulate our student's curiosity and deepen their academic knowledge, MIS has been following the Cambridge Curriculum for almost 36 years. This international path provides our students with the necessary preparation for higher education and for their professional career, both in India and abroad as this qualification is recognised by the world's best universities. At MIS we run International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE) for grades 9 and 10 and Cambridge International Advanced Subsidiary and Advanced Level Program (AS/A Level) for grades 11 and 12.

We allow our students to take up Cambridge IGCSE Examination in March Series and AS/A Level Examination in June Series.

Last year results of both IGCSE and AS/A Level were exceptionally good with many students securing A\* and A grades which helped them to gain places at leading Universities around the world. The Cambridge students at MIS are able to make best use of their strengths and interests which help them to become a part of global community.



Radhika Uniyal CISCE Coordinator

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The results for Class 10 Indian Certificate of Secondary Education (ICSE) and Class 12 Indian School Certificate (ISC) held by Council for the Indian School Certificate Examinations (CISCE) for the academic year 2019-20 were declared on May 7th, even as the council decided against bringing out a merit list.

MIS students garnered good performance in both the exams have scored 100 per cent passing percentage.

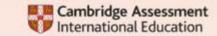
"The excellent performance of our students in the ICSE 2021 and ISC 2021 examinations was a result of the excellent teamwork of our teachers, students and parents over the years. This year's results for the ICSE exam as those of the past years have firmly established the school's academic merit and its pedagogical prowess.

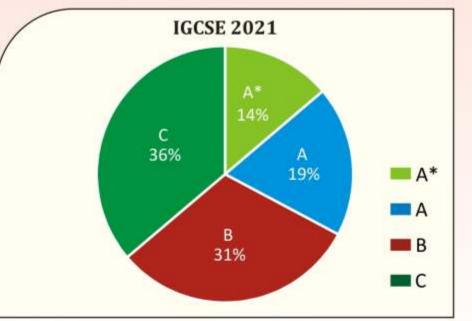
It is our teachers who have shown remarkable and praiseworthy commitment in their efforts. This has made the real difference for our students who are not only doing well academically but also excelling in multiple areas like arts, literature, dramatics and sports.

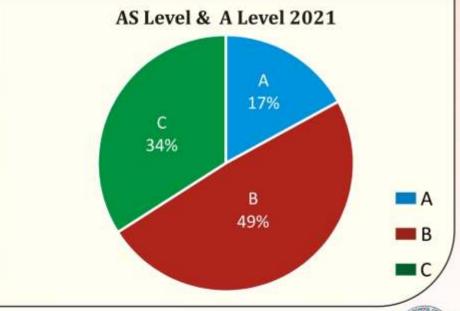
As the past year was a year of Threats and Opportunity, Mussoorie International girls have proved that they have a high degree of Adversity Quotient and can change any adverse situations in their favour.

## Academic Achievements

#### Cambridge Assessment International Education 2021 Result

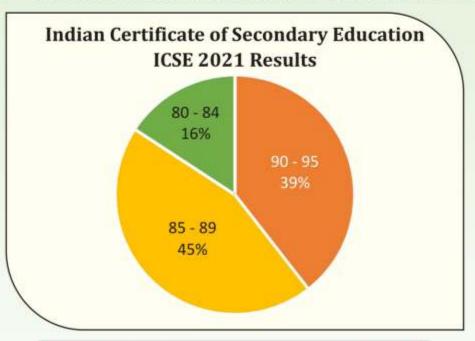




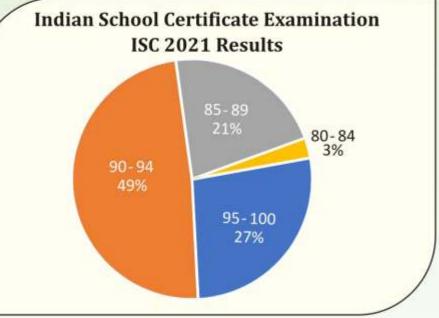


#### The Council for the Indian School Certificate Examinations





Grade Boundary	No. of Girls
90-95	15
85-89	17
80-84	6
Total Students Appeared	45
School Average	86.6%
Number of Students with Distinctions	44



Grade Boundary	No. of Girls
95-100	10
90 - 94	18
85-89	8
80 - 84	1
Total Students Appeared	37
School Average	92.28%
Number of Students with Distinctions	37 MIS   19

## MIS Differentiators 2020

#### Learning environment based on "Strong Values"

A learning environment based on values, unique and central to character building constitutes for shaping young minds.

#### Learning philosophy of "Education Unbound"

A meticulous and contemporary curriculum that integrates the best of India and international yet allows flexibility to identify unique needs, learning differences and nurture them.

#### "Professional Parenting Ecosystem" that cares

An ecosystem of experts, mentors, infrastructure and environs that supports not just the intellectual pursuits but also sensitivities of an impressionable mind.

#### "Wellness Oriented" upbringing

An environment that promotes a state of complete physical, mental and social and emotional well-being.

## A culture of "creative innovation and entrepreneurship"

A culture that identifies and encourages latent creativity to manifest into original creativity, innovation and entrepreneurship for the benefits of society

## Effective and unique "School Culture and Traditions."

A culture that is welcoming helping the girls to examine how their behavior affects others and the world, where they grow up for the shared belief that they are a part of something special and great with language creating and facilitating personal pride, purpose and power while respecting traditions both Indian and intercultural.





# Investiture 2020

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The Investiture ceremony for the year 2020 - 2021 was officially held virtually on the 14th of August 2020. The event commenced with the lighting of the auspicious lamp along with the school prayers. Hereafter, the Student Council Body was declared. Beginning with class monitors and house stars, followed by individual sports and cultural activity incharges, heads of the Science society, Business society and History society were announced. This was followed by the announcement house prefects, dining hall prefects, house captains, dining hall vice prefects and house vice captains. Further the Cultural captain, Sports captain, Social Service captain, Social Service vice captain, Global Ambassadors, Vice School prefects, School prefects and the Head Girl were

officially announced; vice post holders along with one global ambassador being the students of grade 11. Primary school council body was also declared alongside the other announcements. All the appointed students addressed the gathering with a sense of gratitude. To draw the programme to a close, our esteemed principal, Ms Meeta Sharma delivered a speech followed by the national anthem. Changing, Growing, Transforming...

 $1^{\pi}$  Row (Left-Right) : Jia Juneja, Avni Shroff, Aditi Agarwal, Sanskriti Saraff

2<sup>nd</sup> Row (Left-Right): Suchi Saraff, Snigdha Jain, Ishita Mukherjee, Michelle Bagchi



















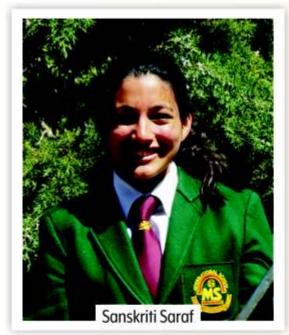








## Leader's Voice



## Head Girl

MIS is an extraordinary place to live, to learn and to grow. MIS as a learning institution, becomes a special place for every MIStar because from the very first day till the last and beyond, MIS is a home; a feeling. The journey throughout remains a worthwhile one. As a Mistar, I can vouch for every sister of mine, that from MIS, all the she-panthers are leaders and together, all the leaders work in a team first and move ahead, creating their own identity. Ten years ago, as a child, I took a big leap of faith by stepping into the world of MIS. Little had I known then, I would be a proud MIStar representing my school as an elected Head Girl.

I always wondered what makes MIS extraordinary. If you ask me it is not a group of students or teachers that make this institution. Rather it is everyone associated with MIS. The moms who help their girls stuff tuck at the bottom of their luggage with an assurance that this time it will not get caught and still keep an oversized handbag just in case the unexpected happens. The house mothers who stay up with us during unit tests and exams as if it is them who have to write the paper the next day. The teachers who play a vital role in shaping a Mistar. From teaching us basics to cheering us up at every event, from being our mentor to developing an unbreakable bond. Teachers at MIS, in-deed become our GURUS, guiding us through all odds. The teacher-student relation we build at MIS cannot be compared to any other institution. Definitely they play the major role in the journey of becoming a Mistar. Majorly, what stays with us for long are our friends that we make at

MIS, an invulnerable bond that keeps the best of friendships stronger than ever.

At MIS, you are encouraged to broaden your horizon. Mistars play sports, learn an instrument, work for the light and sound and backstage team, learn a foreign language and even provide service to the society all on a single day. This is what makes MIS exceptional. In my 10 years of stay, I have evolved as an individual and the only thing I have realised is that no matter how much we try to give to this institute it will never match with what it has given us.

I would also like to thank all those who have enriched my journey at MIS. Our beloved Principal, Ms. Meeta Sharma, my encouraging teachers and house mothers, all the Mistars, my supportive friends, my sister and most importantly my dear parents who ten years ago decided to send me here. I know it must have been harder for you than it was for me but every year has contributed to make me the person I am today and I believe you will agree with me when I say you made the right deci-sion ten years ago.



## Jr. Head Girl

It's been a year being the Head Girl of the Junior wing. Mentoring and guiding the wing was a privilege as well as a great learning for me. I belong to Gayatri House

in MIS and our school organises many extra-curricular activities as well as co-curricular activities throughout the year. Amidst this pandemic, we weren't left behind. Relentlessly we have been a part of many such activities organised virtually for us and it has been a pleasure to be a part of all. It involved a lot of team participation and personal development. My role was redefined again during such events.

I fondly remember those days when I stepped first in this institution. I could feel the positive vibe and appreciate the immense patience of my teachers to modify and shape me to this person what I am today. The cherish able journey at MIS will get more colours and overtones with the passage of time. I also hope and believe that my forthcoming years of experience will help me to evolve better. Being a part of MIS, is a blessing in disguise for me. The kind of work and care the institution has upheld for years and is ensuring now with measures of complete safety and hygiene as per the compliance of ICMR and WHO will only make us secure more. Being a MIS star, I will always give my best and try to keep MIS name n flag high.



## **School Prefects**

"The three C's in life: choice, chance and change."
You must make the choice, to take the chance, if you want anything in your life to change."
~Anonymous

Dear Mistars, we survived a pandemic and this lockdown undoubtedly nurtured all of us towards being optimistic and remain content with whatever little we have right now, at this moment. It's about embracing the afflictions and not whining over spilt milk. We should take this as an opportunity to connect with every member of the MIS family on a spiritual note.

2020 being the hindmost year for the novel post holders, had challenges infused and introduced in the dawn of the scoping season. In our opinion starting the year with complete elation is a set custom for every student studying at Mussoorie International School! There was a time when we thought Covid-19 will hold us back but in fact, the entire grade contributed to many events like MISMUN, Senior Leads Junior, Mock Parliament, Teachers' Day and so on. From languorous mornings to late night discussions, from our first council meeting to ending up in Cubie 24, from getting punished for

being late to issuing yellow cards to juniors and from drafting the idea of the upcoming fate on Talent to staying up on sleepless zoom calls. All these plans of action together summed up into episodes that contributed to a reminiscefull memory we look back at.

It was with a blink of an eye or you could call it with a snap of our fingers when we sat nervously chiseling our teeth on the skating rink stairs with curiosity to know our appointed designations, and it was the 13th of march 2021 when instead of sitting we were walking back to the gate where we first embarked our journey. All these emotions hijacked while clasping each other's hands to the melodious Auld Lang Syne. Bidding our solicitous teachers goodbye was hard and turning into alumnae now, is direful. Although it is heartbreaking, we promise to meet once again, don't know where, don't know when, but we'll meet again, someday when the floating clouds no longer carry rain or usher storm, but add colour to our sunset sky.

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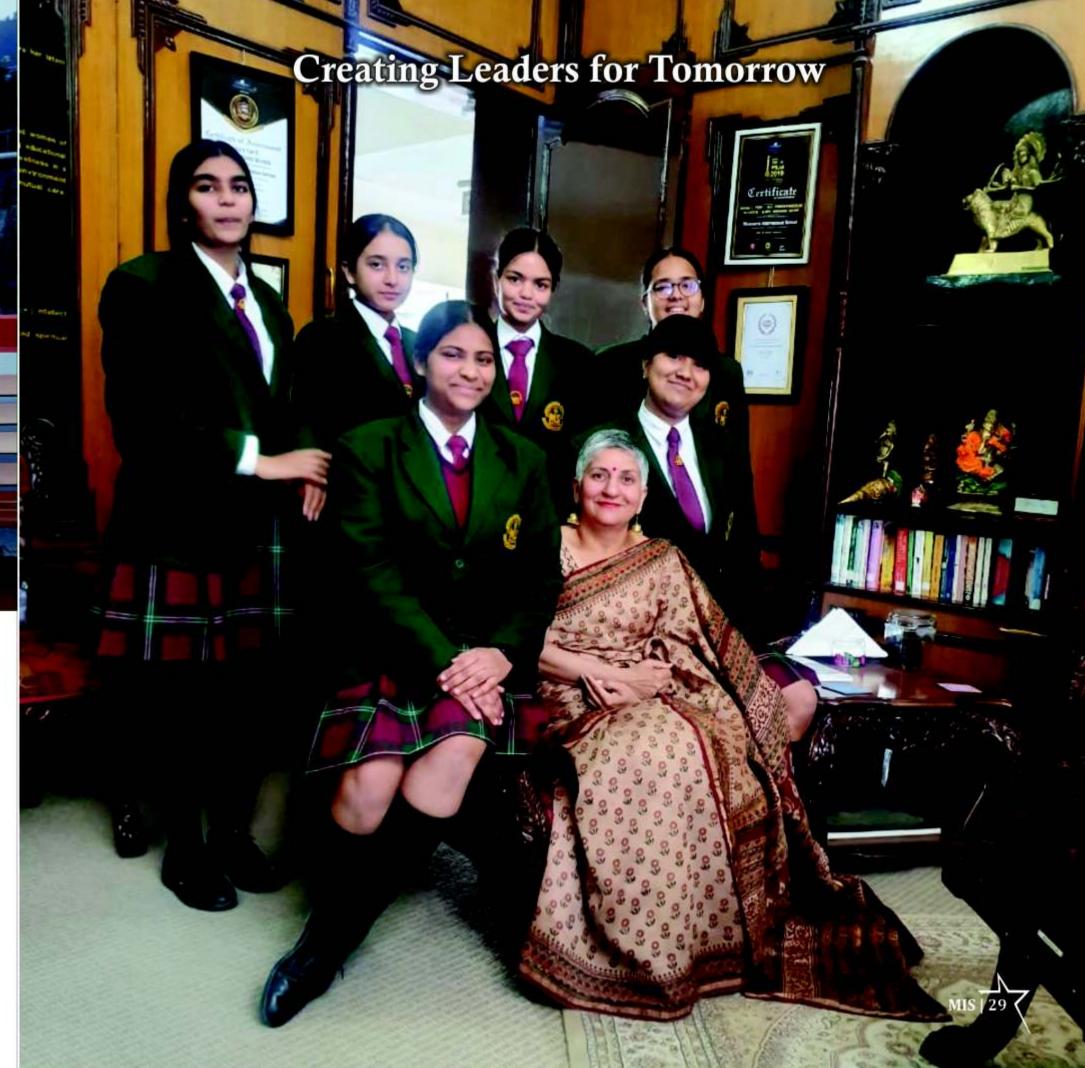
Painting MIS Voice in different shades of alphabets

In an year filled with nothing but uncertainty, it would be fair to say that the publication club had its share of surprises. With old members passing down the baton to new members settling in smoothly, even with a switch of workplace. At first we were deliberating upon how to make this 'work from home' lifestyle work but thanks to the cooperation of each and every TOT member we made through the first hurdle of 2020. Not to forget The Originals' first ever training program where after multiple stages students were handpicked and recruited as interns to learn about the behind th scene working of the school gazette from the best. In the midst of all this The Original even had its first anniversary! Although we were not able to put together the grand feast we had in mind, for obvious reasons, we did end up spamming our Instagram just the way we did for every other soul's birthday. Needlessly to say everyone got emotional and cursed Miss ronna to death. However the fact that am writing this report from my house on

the plains of Odisha is the living proof that...well, Miss ronna is still alive and thriving, unfortunately.

Never in our wildest dreams had we anticipated that the first ever official commencement ceremony of The Originals Team would take place over a Zoom call. All frustrations and emotions aside it will be safe to say that the newsletter is very healthy and shows no symptom of slowing down any soon, especially considering the fact a fresh batch of young writers and aspiring journalists have already taken over. It comes without saying that the working of our weekly is rather, uncommon and quirky in its own way. And we celebrate this perfectly imperfect style of working of ours, we did not name ourselves "The Perfectionist" for a reason. We are the proud descendants of the 'Horizon', for we "The Originals".

> -Unnati Pattnaik (Editor In Chief'20)







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## MUSSOORIE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL



An All Girls Residential School

Awarded "School of The Year" Global Education Awards

(Scoo News)

Awarded "Top Boarding Girls School" by INDIAN

**EDUCATION** 

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**AWARDS** 2019-20

Ranked #2

Awarded 'INNOVATIVE LEADER' Amongst Top Girls Boarding Schools

> In Uttarakhand Education Today

Awarded 'Top Residential Boarding School" For Girls In India

> Global Education Achievers

India's Top 10 Girls Boarding School in India

Ranked #1 All Girls Residential School in India For Pastoral Care

by Education Today

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Awarded Extra ordinary leadership 2019"

by Education World

Awarded "Hall of Fame 2019" **Education Today** 

Rising Glory.....Committed to Excellence

#### **INSPIRE SHE**

Scholarship for Higher Education of Govt. of India





Certificate



## Proud to make it to the TOP 10 IN ASIA





Ranked No. 1 in Mussoorie All Girls' Boarding Schools category. MORE POWER TO MIS! MIS 133

Ranked No. 1

Ranked No. 1 in Uttarakhand



Ranked No.1

## **School Accreditations**



## INTERNATIONAL Dimension in Schools 2020-23



The British Council is the United Kingdom's international organisation for educational opportunities and cultural relations. The British Council creates international opportunities for the people of the UK and other countries and builds trust between them worldwide.



Virtual Debate in collaboration with Indonesia.

#### What does ISA offer the School and its Students?

- · An increased profile of the school in the local community, making it more attractive for prospective parents and teachers.
- · Providing an extra dimension to student's learning and development which other schools may not offer.
- · Creating important links with schools abroad to exchange knowledge and skills.

Mussoorie International School's journey has been quite exceptional.

The immense learning experience included in-house brainstorming, disagree to agree and collaboration that resulted in multi-fold opportunities and in-house bonding.

The journey continued on the virtual platform due to pandemic, leading to a learning, never anticipated before, in the history of our school.

The hard work and perseverance of the MIS Family lead to a successful end to this significant journey and MIS received accreditation from the British Council and was successful in receiving the pretigious award.





**CollegeBoard** 

The school in collaboration with College board organized special classes to exacerbate skills required to compete in PSAT examination which is an is an important step in a student's path to university success. It assesses problem solving skills and subject matter learned in high school in three areas: Critical Reading, Math and Writing. The PSAT classes organized beyond academic hours helped students to get familiar with the concept of standardised testing and offered excellent practice at an early stage, quite unlike the exams they typically experience in school.

### Global Ambassador

Each and every Mistar swathed in the school uniform holds the responsibility to represent school values and keep the dignity of the school intact. As the Global Ambassador for the year 2020, I am proud to say that I led an entire team of equally abled ambassadors!

Every decision we take today decides the future of tomorrow, therefore in order to secure a safe tomorrow, I along with my Vice Ambassador made sure that this uncertain year did not hinder the way of numerous opportunities in store for each of my fellow Mistars.

This year without doubt MIS hit a remarkable milestone by inviting in over 140 universities and colleges virtually to interact with our school students. These university representatives ranged from Cambridge University in the United Kingdom to University of California Riverside in the United States. The list of universities which interacted with the Mistars seems like a never ending ocean. While we had Universities visiting us from around the world, we definitely did not compromise on campuses belonging to our very own country; universities like O.P. Jindal Global University and the Ashoka University visited us. Our school got the best of the best for its Mistars.



Aditi Mittal

With the change in the CISCE education system it was important to make sure each student studying in the curriculum was fully aware of what they are going to embark upon. Therefore to make the process of understanding way more comprehensible we invited in professionals to converse and explain everything about this wonderful new policy in a detailed yet understandable manner. To ensure this was accessible to all our middle and senior school Mistars we conducted it on a virtual platform easily accessible from anywhere around the globe.

This year we also introduced various profile building workshops and internship opportunities, for all our senior school students, making sure that none of their talents or time went to waste. The highlight of our virtual sessions was definitely the grooming session conducted by one of our former Head Girls, Ms. Shonitee Hoora, who is now a successful makeup artist and MIS alumna, Shivangi Dalmia who is now the founder and CEO of "WebGyor". Not to forget another remarkable collaboration conducted by our school in alliance with IDP education to host a one of its kind IELTS Masterclass which helped open doors for all students who had any confusion or hesitancy when it came to preparing or attempting for the infamous IELTS examination.

Working remotely for the application process of the passing out batch was another challenge we faced as we had to assure that the process did not get delayed and there was seamless communication between the school management and the students. A very proud moment for us was when we saw everything successfully coming together despite the fact that every single thing had to be executed through a virtual platform.

I hope all these sessions that have taken place this year have been beneficial to the Mistars and will help them in one way or another with their future.



## Placement Cell

At MIS, we believe in finding opportunities even in disasters, and we have achieved just that during these difficult times. Under the guidance of our counsellor, Dr P. Chacko, we succeeded in our venture, and our students attended fairs and workshops conducted by more than 140 universities.

On the 21st of August 2020, we organised a Global University Virtual Fair in collaboration with CIE, India, for grade 11 and 12. The universities participating in this fair were:

Columbia University- USA, Massachusetts Institute of Technology - USA, Pomona College - USA, Purdue University-USA, McGill University - Canada, Cambridge University - the United Kingdom, The University of Hong Kong - Hong Kong, The University of Melbourne - Australia, Yale-NUS College - Singapore.

The students of grade 9 to 12 attended a university fair conducted by Collegey Inc. In collaboration with Mussoorie International

School on the 28th of August, 2020. The universities attending the fair were:

Cornell College - USA, Central Michigan University - USA, University of Rhode Island - USA, University of Southern Mississippi - USA, Savannah College of Art & Design (SCAD) - USA, University of California Irvine - USA.

Students from grade 9 to 12 participated in the Student World Virtual Fair organised by The Student World Ltd. on the 3rd of September, 2020. Universities from around the world were present, including, the University of Cambridge - United Kingdom, Columbia University - USA, The University of Melbourne - Australia, The University of Auckland - New Zealand, Utrecht University - the Netherlands, University of York - Canada, Trinity College Dublin Ireland, and many more.

On the 7th of October 2020, the students of grade 9 to 12 attended a webinar conducted by the Russell Group. Several universities from Scotland and the United Kingdom participated in the webinar, such as:

The University of Cambridge, The London School of Economics and Political Science, The University of Manchester, Newcastle University, University of Nottingham, University of Oxford, Queen Mary University of London, Queen's University Belfast, The University of Sheffield, University of Southampton, University College London, The University of Warwick, University of York, University of Birmingham,

University of Bristol, Cardiff University, Durham University, The University of Edinburgh, University of Exeter, University of Glasgow, Imperial College London, King's College London, University of Leeds, University of Liverpool.

The students attended the India October WebiFair on the 26th of September 2020. The students met and interacted with around 40 global universities. Some of the universities that attended were: Huron at Western University -Canada, University of Waterloo - Canada, Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Hong Kong, IE University - Spain, Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI) - USA, Niagara University - USA.

The students of grade 11 and 12 attended the Califo Online Fair on the 14th of September. They interacted with the delegates of 42 universities. Some of the universities that participated in this fair were: Boston University - USA, Colorado State University - USA, University of Toronto - Canada, O.P. Jindal Global University - India, Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University - Japan,

Ritsumeikan University - Japan, The George Washington University - USA, The University of Melbourne - Australia, University of Toronto - Canada.

We also attended a Joint Webinar held by the University of Kentucky and the University of Tennessee, Knoxville on the 27th of September.

The students attended a webinar held by Ashoka University, India on the 3rd of October, where we discussed the unique aspects of the UG programs in the University. We also interacted with the present students.

The students attended several open days conducted by various Global Universities such as UNSW - Australia, University of Calgary - Canada, University of Cambridge - United Kingdom and some more.

We succeeded in conducting fairs and webinars with so many universities and received very positive feedback from the attendees. Mussoorie International School has never stopped providing opportunities for the students, and even during this pandemic, we excelled in every field, we met numerous universities and are excited to see MIStars becoming a part of them.

## → Future Ready !!!!!!

## PLACEMENTS of 2020

STUDENT NAME	UNIVERSITY
Sanskriti Saraff	Singapore Management University (Singapore)
Suchi Saraf	University of Sydney, Australia
Michelle Bagchi	Ontario College of Art and Design (Canada)
Parinita Chaudhary	University of Saskatchewan (Canada)
Snigdha Jain	Monash University (Australia)
Unnati Pattnaik	Ashoka University (India)
Jia Juneja	Macquarie University (Australia)
Shefali Bhati	Symbiosis College Of Arts and Commerce (India)
Diya Bansal	Delhi University (India)
Muskan Sharma	University of Stirling (United Kingdom)
Dhriti Baid	Manipal Academy of Higher Education (India)



































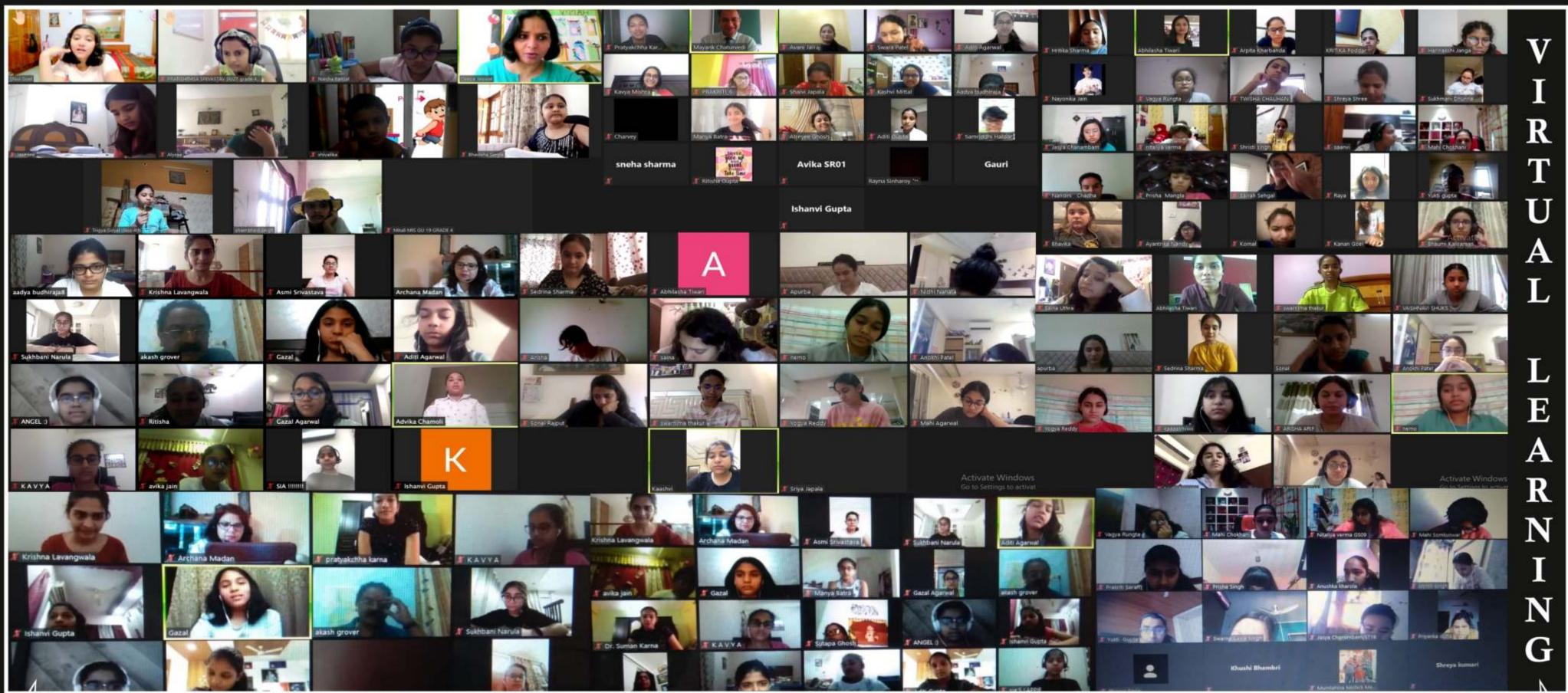








## We listen... We think... We communicate.....



## I CAN

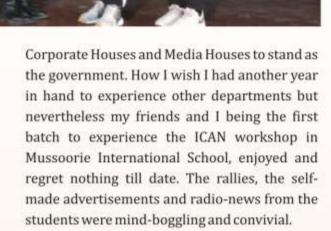
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Looking back at that time when viruses like Corona didn't exist, if you were present and attended it then well and good and for the ones who don't know about this thought-provoking event, it took place in the month of February. 'I CAN' is an extraordinary instructive idea that is founded by Akshit Batra and Vansh Nathani from the graduated class of Doon School. It plans to create fundamental abilities and sharpen delicate aptitudes of students by including their schools simultaneously.

I remember shivering and chattering my teeth when I heard ICAN is about "public speaking." What I learned after the two-day event was that ICAN taught me how to catch a mob's attention, how to handle a crowd and most importantly, how to convey my ideas and beliefs through audio and visuals. On the first day of the event, all of us were assigned departments and I, belonged to a political party headed by a leader from my grade itself. Our mission was to collect as many votes as possible from the







None of us wanted it to end and I'm sure when you participate in it, you would know what I'm talking about. How did learning get fun? If you want the answer to that, (fingers crossed) please stay tuned for the upcoming ICAN 2021.

-Michelle Bagchi





## MUSSOORIE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL MODEL UNITED NATIONS 2020



Decisions. We can think about it, again and again, turn them all over or strive hard to follow and accomplish it.

The first decision I made as a Secretary General was choosing my executive board and I feel immensely pleased with every choice taken then which led to the success of this conference. Working with the former Secretary General, Tanvi Goenka, I knew the immense pressure this position came with but I was exhilarated to provide MIStars with the best of in-school experience and help them gain confidence with Model United Nations platform. As a Secretary General, it was not just a 3-day conference but 4 months of planning, dedication and research put into it with the help of the whole secretariat. Diplomacy, negotiations and debates were all a part of this conference and the anticipation of the delegates to display the true bearing off a diplomat made MISMUN 2020 a success.

Over the course of this summit, I faced various situations which made me figure why certain decisions are made and some aren't. From choosing the EB to guiding them, solving their problems, this position has been a major part of my senior year and has made me believe in my managerial skills. It also gave me insights about various departmental work like public relations, collaborations, advertising and management.

This position was not just some "responsibility" but a way to contribute to the changes in the current global scenario. It has made me realise the power of diplomacy and debate.

Serving as Secretary General for MISMUN 2020 and guiding all the young leaders was an honour and I hope to see MIStars participating in various other MUNs nationally and

Secretary General 2020.

Suchi Saraf Secretary General

## Director's Committee











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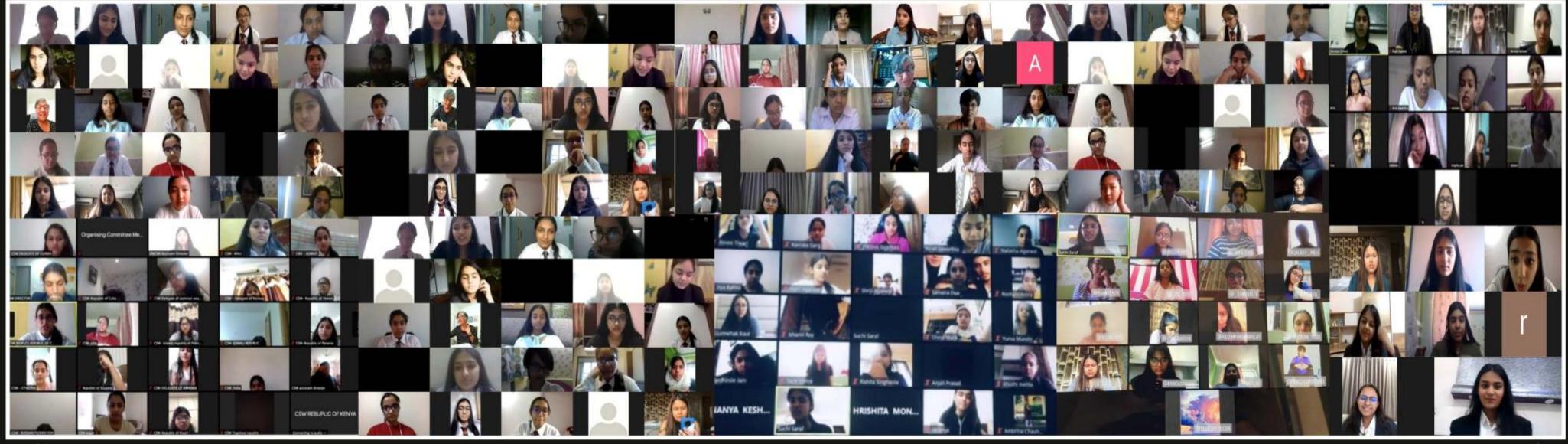
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MODEL UNITED NATIONS 2020





## Science Fest

MIS had organized an exciting online science fest for the MIStars. The new event was held on 25th and 26th of July. It was held during the covid 19 shutdown to keep the students of mussoorie international school entertained and connected.

The lockdown has been a stressful period for everyone expecially students and children. The idea is not only to reduce panic but also to develop a strong sense of community involvement.

Science has a influenced all of us in different ways by its scientific experiments and facts. So inter house quiz ,extempore and poster making competitions were held for classes 3 to 12 in three categories( junior school, middle school and senior school). the objective of this competition was not only inculcate scientific attitude and research mindedness but also create interest in science. House wise different competitions were organized in school by the science society. Students were excited to conduct the activities assigned to them.















## **Business Conclave**





Mussoorie International School in collaboration with Business Conclave for the first time hosted a 2 days diplomatic competition with over 150 students that didn't only start with a great learning tool for students like me but also a valid opening for career choice. The most important thing about understanding a concept is first knowing what you are looking for. We are here looking for a basic understanding of marketing, investing, risk-bearing, and nonetheless a surreal experience of the real world. Now you may wonder what do I mean by "surreal experience", it is a raw view into the world of Corporate where things might get a bit overwhelming.

All the activities like catalog & newspaper making, advertisement, negotiating, challenging, taking a risk, etc. had made the partaker experience a glimpse of the outside world and gave them a selection to think for their future.

In the situation of Covid-19 technology came in handy as some would say changed the entire show here, the program functioned on the Zoom server which is an online video chatting platform. This event had inculcated enriched learning experience in the MIS community.

Tanisha Aggarwal





# One Spirit, One Team, One Victory

HE MINIMAL CLOSET PRESENTS

Major Highlights















## Integrity... Influence...Impact..

## Mock Parliament



Tanisha Agarwal Executive Head

While stuck in quarantine we realized how big of a bummer it was for not only our grade mates but also our juniors who were unable to witness all the events we had in store for them. This realization hit us after the success of MISMUN2020 which was participated by the students of middle and senior school. We wanted to expose our young mistars of junior

school to the same world of debating and diplomacy. That's when the idea of mock parliament crossed our minds. Thanks to the teachers especially ma'am meeta for approving the idea and guiding us through each step of this event for it to be an impactful one. We especially were amused by the deliberation of the young minds during the course of the event. We won't lie however it won't be an exaggeration to say that all the young ladies who participated showed tremendous potential and amazing leadership skills. Initially, both teachers and few people in the organizing committee were a little skeptical of the topics we had decided for it were some very intellectual ones for the girls to deliberate upon. Although deep down we had full faith in our young sisters and no doubt our instincts were correct. The event that took place on 17th and 18th of July was indeed a master stroke all thanks to our fearless panthers who took part in it. We hope this new legacy started by the Esoteric class of 2021 will remain a platform for mistars of the junior school to speak up for generations to come.



## Senior Leads Junior



Sanskriti Saraff

"Keep thinking, keep learning, and keep evolving!"

Skills and values are integral parts of individual development. In today's developing era, the right skills to per-form tasks are given equal or more weightage than the knowledge necessary to complete the job. Therefore, it is of utmost importance that we develop the right skills at early stages of life because skills

repeatedly practised eventually become habits, and habits are easy to develop but difficult to break. Likewise, values guide our judgement of what is more critical and regulate our day to day conduct and behaviour. They are a part of a per-son's personality.

The Senior Leads Junior Program 2020, the first of its kind, was a two-day conference during which each cate-gory, i.e. Primary, Middle and Senior schools, got an excellent chance to attend four webinars conducted by their seniors on essential skills and values. It was held on the 12th and 13th of June 2020. The conference was a perfect opportunity for them to widen their thought process and develop skills which will benefit them through-out their life.

The conference was loaded with discussions and activities on skills in leadership, communication, decision-making and information analysis besides cultural and social values. These skills and values to be discussed were chosen with much care and thought. Each of these is essential for developing the right attitude, mindset and be-haviour as students and local and global citizens.

This event yearned to facilitate the students' thought process. There were a lot of healthy discussions in the ses-sions and accepting of other's thoughts which the team knows is a sign of budding intellection. The MIStars ac-tively participated in the activities and continuously asked questions which made the sessions engaging and in-triguing. The team hopes that this outlook of the MIStars does not fade and they continue to debate over essen-tial global issues amongst themselves. The funds raised from the conference was used to serve the society.

## Communication! Commitment! Collaboration!

## Chairman's Virtual Hindi Debating Cup



The modern Hindi and its literary tradition is said to have evolved during the 18th century. Hindi is also called the descendent of Sanskrit and is the national language of India but because of the traces of British culture, Hindi has lost its priority.

To pay a tribute to our national language , the students from grade 1 to 9 participated in the

virtual Hindi debat-ing cup. The Hindi debate competition was held on 27th and 28th April 2020, on virtual platform, with great enthusiasm. There were 2 rounds - the preliminary round followed by the final round. For the first round the participants were given two topics and they had to speak for or against one of the topic, each participant had 2 minutes to speak on the topics. In the second round i.e. final round the participants were given 4 minutes and they had to speak both for and against on given topics.

## Inter House Extempore

To enhance the confidence and speaking skills of the students, an extempore competition was organized for the students of grade 3 to 12. each student from the various category was given three topics from which they had to choose one topic and speak about it. the young speakers from each house had put up prominent facts about science.



## Inter House Quiz

On the 27th of July inter house quiz competition was held comprising of three teams of three houses per class. Various teachers and students were made in-charges and coordinators of the event . the event witnessed enthusiastic preparation and participation.

The format of the quiz entailed three rounds for each class, where the final round was a visual round which the students enjoyed the most, though all these activities were taking place on an online platform, it didn't seem like it, the time allotted to give the correct answer was 30 seconds for each category, failing which the question was passed to the next team. All the three houses participated actively and the position was as follows:-

House	Positions
Santoshi House	1" position
Laxmi House	2 <sup>nd</sup> position
Gayatri House	3 <sup>rd</sup> position



# Coding .....Play to Learn Show me the Code!

The school organized a Coding Competition virtually to enhance upon their awareness on programming skills. The questions were designed to challenge the students and promote out of box thinking, problem skills and analytical skills. The competition an enriched learning experience.

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Dear Moon

I'm sorry how the streetlights outshine you While you're trying your best to lighten up the world as it darkens.

Sometimes you're half, quarter, or you're full. Sometimes you disappear and I've never understood why.

Is it because of all the people who stop by and try to take pictures of you?

Are you camera shy?

Up in the sky a lifetime away, as strangers pass by and admire you how they may.

We're just a microscopical spec to you, but don't you know you're our whole view? I'm sorry how you're used in metaphors, by people trying hard to cover up their interior flaws

Dishing out compliments when that's not really what they meant.

I'm tired of how we throw your name around, your profound crown,

'cause we aren't half as bright as you.

SoI'm sorry how the streetlights outshine you.



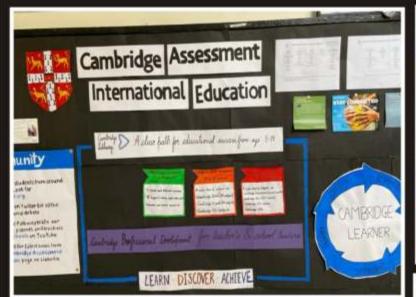


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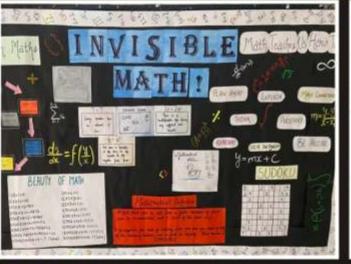
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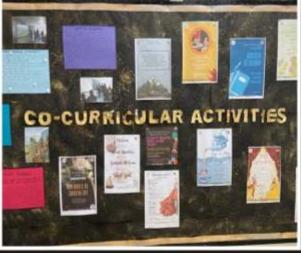


## Display Boards















## Library Resource Centre

"Everything you need for a better future and success has already been written. And guess what? All you have to do is go to the library" - Henri Frederic Amiel

The word "Library" is rich in tradition, meaning and usage. A School Library is a structure within the school that houses a collection of books and other contents that serves common use to meet the educational, informative and recreational needs of the users. Throughout the world, the library of a school is considered a unique component of the academic setup.



Mussoorie International School library is an up-to-date library. It is housed in the separate area called the 'Star building'. The library is rich in a variety of fiction/Non-fiction books, IBDP/IGCSE/AS/A Level textbooks, reference books, career brochures, competitive exam guides, periodicals, journals, Newspapers, educational CDs/DVDs, school events Albums, past question papers of board examinations, photocopy machine and computers with internet facility.

This year our school library witnessed several changes to update and fulfil the needs of the school.

The library has started the procuring of French Language Reference Books to fulfil users demand of different Language Learning and collection of E-resources to provide bulky information to students.



The Book Fairs have been organized in the school campus to cater for the need of Voracious readers and encourage beginners to naturally gravitate towards books. The activities like 'Meet the Authors", "Reading Club", "Donate a Book", "Maximum Book Reader Prize" have been introduced to motivate the students. The Librarian provides an Orientation programme to students and faculty from time to time to make them aware of the rules, services and new additions.





# **CULTURAL ETHOS** Art elevated to a set of Beliefs

The co-curriculum programme is a wide and critically important part of the education offered to each girl at school. In the words of the Principal. It is all curriculum wherein . She uses this phrase to explain why there is as much learning out of the classroom as in it and that learning in and out of the classroom are in fact, mutually dependent upon the other.

The school encourages girls to develop their genuine interests and talents by getting involved with a wide range of activities and clubs on offer. By participating in these activities' girls will be able to discover their interests, enjoy learning more about the activities and the skills required for these activities and, at the same time, they will make friends and have fun.

Once the girls realize where their interests lie, the school supports them to develop their interests and pursue their talents. Specialized teachers guide the girls in making choices and also in managing time, which is an important factor to keep in mind while making decisions about what to focus upon. The vast majority of girls have never had the opportunity to experience the full education that is on offer at MIS.



## Cultural Captain

"Life isn't about waiting for the storm to pass, its about learning how to dance in the rain"

When the COVID 19 pandemic broke out I was scared to let down the expectations of my peers and teachers, heading the cultural department while I was 100 miles away from school was never my idea of responsibility but Henri Matisse once said 'Creativity takes courage' and I was all in for courage. With the support of my teachers and loved ones was ready to use the pandemic as an creative opportunity to help MIStars rise above all expectations,

and there marked the start of the our Cultural journey for the year 2020.

MIStars are never taught to adapt to the energy in the room but rather to be the ones' to influence it. We are taught to face fears with spirt and overcome challenges with grace, and following this MIStars successfully hosted the 36th Founders Day celebration amidst the pandemic along with hosting and participating in other E - Inter House competitions like Hindi Vocal, Classical Dance etc over the year. We also participated in the E- Inter School 'Bouquet de Créativité' hosted by Wynberg-Allen School, Mussoorie.

The Cultural department is not limited to teaching students about singing, dancing or playing any instrument it also concerns with imbibing in the students the cultural values and ethics practiced by the school. Winning or losing is an important part of any competition but whats far more important is the experience gained from the opportunity.

MIStarts display a wide range of cultures in the school as we come from 24 different countries and speak 24 different languages but what binds us together are our values. A captain's duties extend till helping her peers discover themselves and I hopefully was able to help mine.













## Hawan

#### ऊँ भूर्भुवः स्वः । तत्सवितुर्वरेण्यं भर्गो देवस्य धीमहि धियोयोनः प्रचोदयात् ॥

Homa or Havan is a sacred Hindu ritual of herbal sacrifices in holy fire aimed at the finest utilization of the subtle properties of sacrificed matter with the help of the thermal energy of fire and the sound energy of the mantras. Modern scientific research has also shown significant therapeutic applications of Yagya and also affirmed its potential in purification & transformation to the individual as well as surrounding environment.

Gayatri havan has been a regular event in Mussoorie International School since many years. Performing the weekly havan is very much in













keeping with the strong spiritual ethos that permeates all aspects of life in MIS. Every Saturday morning students assemble in the auditorium in traditional havan dress for the performance of weekly havan. Each student is provided with a personal copy of Havan Book which is a very positive sign and an endorsement of MIStar's learning values that are tried to inculcate in them. All teachers, students participate sincerely and chant Gayatri mantra with great devotion in every weekly havan of the school. The aura of weekly havan , which surrounds the school, creates a spiritual atmosphere conducive to sound moral values and good study habits.

We believe that the divine blessings of Maa Gayatri and Gurudev Pandit Shriram Sharma Acharya ji have been showered upon the school ever since it's inception and will continue in future. Let us pray to Gayatri Maa to grant us wisdom and to guide us along the path of peace, prosperity ,happiness and keep every one at MIS eversmiling.

May God bless all!





## Holi A splash of colours...

Holi is considered as one of the most revered and celebrated festivals of India and it is celebrated in almost every part of the country. It is also sometimes called as the "festival of love" as on this day people get to unite together forgetting all resentments and all types of bad feeling towards each other. The vibrancy of colours is something that brings in a lot of positivity in our lives and Holi being the festival of colours is

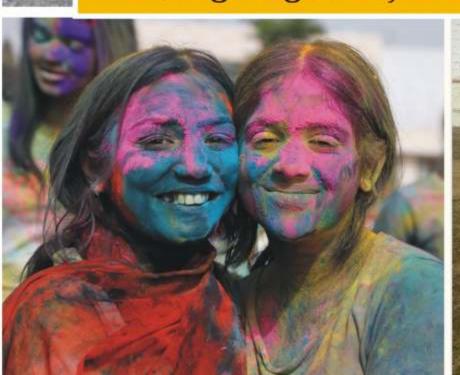


None of us wanted it to end and I'm sure when you participate in it, you would know what I'm talking about. How did learning get fun? If you want the answer to

that, (fingers crossed) please stay tuned for the upcoming ICAN 2021.













# Founder's Day

The event of Founder's Day took place on Zoom on 31st of July 2020 on a virtual platform for the first time. Although it wasn't in person, all students came together and never let the feeling of pride for our glorious school fade away. The spirit was high







for the display of different cultural aspects such as melodious songs (in both english theatre and classical hindi) and graceful dances performed with much fervor by all grades. This day also celebrated the students who had excelled throughout the year in academics, games or cultural aspects and were rewarded. The staff body collaborated to perform a piece of western theatrical song for the audience. It was an enjoyable and joyful event, made into a success by the joining of hands of both new and old students.





Independence Day



## Guidance, Discipline, Friendship and Love - All



The light of the world, the beacon in the dark and the hope that gives us the strength to survive, is a teacher. To celebrate our teachers, the Mistars organised a celebration on a virtual platform on 5th October 2020, on the occasion of International Teachers' Day. The students collaborated from different parts of the globe to showcase a plethora of cultural programmes. The student body was categorised in five groups; each of which compiled a collection of spellbinding dances for the teachers. A celebration is incomplete without something sweet; so to fill the void, the Class of 2021 surprised the teachers with a cake to celebrate the efforts put by them. Next, we had a speech given by Parinita Chaudhary expressing the beautiful words written by Devi Lavangwala of Grade 12. The Class of 2021 also presented a pair of videos displaying their gratitude towards the teachers. The event was concluded with a speech by our honourable Principal, followed by the National Anthem.

~ Snigdha Jain and Sanskriti Saraff

## Children's Day

Children's Day is one of the most important celebration in Mussoorie International School. MIS celebrated Children's Day on 12th November 2020, as this year Diwali celebration was to be done on 14th November 2020. All the MIStars were quite excited and eagerly waited for this day. As the school was closed due to COVID -19 pandemic, the programme of Children's Day was celebrated on virtual ZOOM platform.

The whole school was informed quite before through the circular and zoom meeting invitation regarding the Children's Day celebration details. Despite of busy schedules teachers had tried their level best to prepare different events for children.

The programme started with a welcome note by the convenor Mr. J.K. Dash, HOD Science which was followed by lighting of auspicious lamp by Chairman & Managing trustee Mr. Shatanu Prakash and chanting of Gayatri mantra three times. Lighting of lamp was followed by a short speech on Children's Day by Mr. J.K. Dash after which Mr. Shatanu wished every one for Diwali & Children's

Day. The Principal Ms. Meeta Sharma also wished the children on this special day and talked about the beliefs of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru to make India a greatest nation on this world.

Teachers displayed their performances for the Children's Day on virtual ZOOM platform.

- · Opening dance by Ms. C. Roy.
- · Orchestra by M&D Dept.
- · Songs by Ms. Ruhee, Mr. Saurav & Mr. Dipak,
- Classical dance by Ms. Sutapa, Ms. R. Uniyal & Ms. Richa.
- · Sambalpuri folk dance by Mr. & Mrs. Dash
- · Group song by staff

All the children thoroughly enjoyed & liked the whole programme. At last vote of thanks was given by Mr. Dash on behalf of Convenor Mr. J.K. Dash & Co Convenor Mr. Agni Verma. The programme came to an end with national anthem.









## Ganesh Chaturthi

) वक्रतुण्ड महाकाय शूर्यकोटी समप्रभ । निर्विघ्नम कुरूमे देव सर्व कार्येषु सर्वदा ॥





Ganesh Chaturthi or Vinayak Chaturthi is one of the most colourful and widely celebrated festivals in India. It is celebrated annually to mark the birth of Lord Ganesha, the son of Lord Shiva and Parvati, the god of new beginnings and a fresh start. The festival falls in the month of Bhadra, according to the Hindu calendar and in August/September according to the Gregorian calendar.

Mussoorie International School Celebrated Ganesh Chaturthi from 22nd to 25th August 2020 with great devotion and enthusiasm. The festivities started with Pravat Pheri in the campus by staff members. The Pravat Pheri was very enjoyable and devotional with bhajans, music and group chanting "Ganapati Bapa Moreya", Mangal Murti Moreya" The Pravat Pheri was followed by Ganesh idol sthapana and puja.

During the four days of celebration, whole MIS family joined in morning puja ,evening aarti & Prasad distribution. A complete spiritual and devotional atmosphere was spreaded throughout the campus during the celebrations.

Due to ongoing COVID-19 pandemic limited staff members participated in the morning puja and aarti with all precautions and social distancing ,which was also streamed online for the rest of the MIS family.

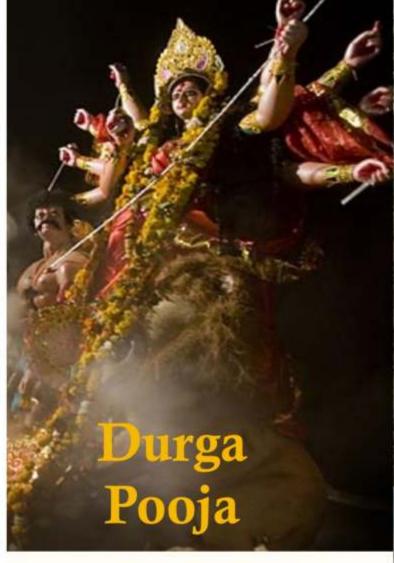
The festival ended with immersion of Lard Ganesha idol at Yamuna River on 25th August 2020. We expect, next year also we will do the Ganesh Chaturthi celebration with the whole MIS family like this year in same enthusiasm and devotion.











Navratri also known as Durga Puja, is a nine day festival in India. The tenth day, is celebrated as Dusshera. During these nine days, we worship Goddess Durga and her nine forms. The actual purpose of celebrating Navratri is to precede the belief of the good overcoming the evil.

At MIS every year Navratri is celebrated with a lot of religious fervour with students visiting the temple daily. This year it was a little different with students not present in school. Puja didn't take place on all nine days, instead we had the puja on the first day and on Asthami.

On the very first day, the idols of Maa Gayatri, Maa Laxmi and Maa Santoshi were decorated with new jewellery and sarees in such a way that they looked immensely beautiful.

The staff on campus were present for puja. On Asthami, kumari puja took place with the offering of Prasad-the traditional puri, chana and halwa. The puja ended with the traditional havan.



# Mahashivratri

Mahashivratri is one of the largest and most significant among the sacred festivals of India. The festival celebrates the Grace of Shiva, who is considered the Adi Guru or the First Guru from whom the Yogic tradition originates. The planetary positions on this night, which is also the darkest night of the year, are such that there is a powerful natural upsurge of energy in the human system. MIStars celebrated the occasion on the 21st of February, 2021 by dedicating a beautiful and graceful music and dance performance to Lord Shiva.









In the month of February, Mussoorie International School witnessed the myriads of activities that were conducted between the three houses. Various inter house competitions were held to mark the occasion of Talent Fiesta. On 8th Feb 2020 the school organised a Folk Dance competition in which each house was given different dance forms.

The Kabui Naga dance of Manipur was performed by Santoshi House with perfect submission and devotion. Gayatri house showcased a graceful Rajasthani folk dance and last but not the least a vibrant performance was put up by the Lakshmi House. The students of the three houses were at their best and set the stage on fire with their powerful performance.

All the three houses worked extremely hard and gave their hundred percent. But at the end there is only one winner which was Lakshmi House. However, the event was filled with zest and positivity and no house was let down. The program ended with a vote of thanks and national anthem.

Dance is a hidden language of a soul..





























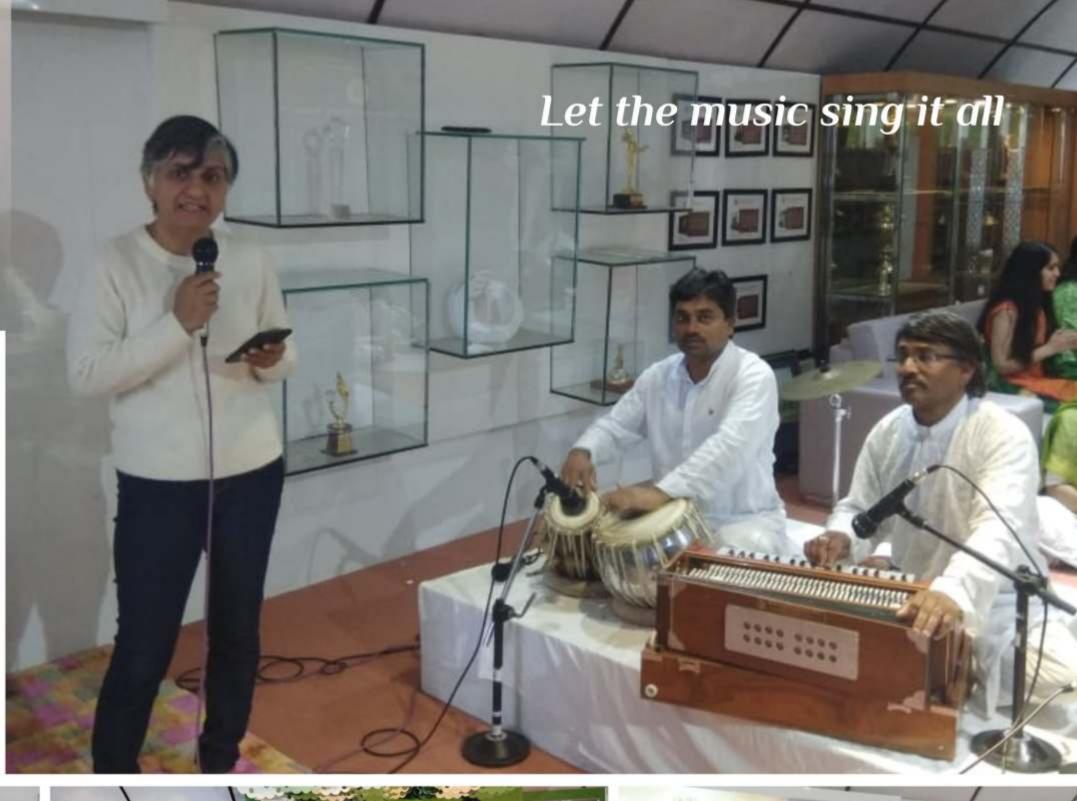
# MIS Rocks





The COVID 19 outbreak was the most crucial global health calamity of the century, and it struck down the world economy to an abrupt standstill. We at MIS with the spirit of everlasting hope of our irrefutable outlook started our live musical show "Get Your Music On - MIS ROCKS" on 2nd May 2020. The Indian film Industry has influenced our daily life and culture for decades now. It is the mainstay of entertainment and almost a religion in India. Realising the impact and importance of the entertainment industry we have far come up with many versions of the most awaited show. Here we will bring forth some celestial melodies amalgamated with abundant fun questions and screening the beauty of the profound harmonies of the much-praised industry as a tribute to the renowned legends.













Embrace the Challenge and see the world!!



# Interact Club President

It comes with no surprise that at MIS social services are of utmost importance. And at the heart of this belief is the foundation of the Interact club. Since it's establishment, all the Interactors at our school have worked tirelessly towards our one goal - "Service above self". We even got one step closer towards achieving this goal this year when we partnered with 'Goonj' a Non-Governmental Organisation whose working are the very epitome of our belief.

During this collaboration period we here at school collected clothes, stationery and other necessities to put to good use by the people over at Goonj. The 'Chaupal' conference conducted by them this year pre-covid in Dehradun was our second endeavour in this collaboration. Over 200 people attended the conference, which included fellow students from in and around the valley.

We, later on, got into a conversation about the various issues including water, access and infrastructure, education, environment, health, livelihood, disaster relief and rehabilitation and sanitation. This was followed by several people sharing their stories and experiences where our MIStars also started a conversation on topics with regard to social issues that are usually not given the attention it should get. The event ended with a cultural performance by localities displaying their talents. Not to forget the time we teamed up and bought sanitary pads manufactured by Goonj to distribute to the needy and also teach them how to make these biodegradable sanitary pads which was the third project by the Interactors of Mussoorie International School.

Apart from all the collaborative activities with Goonj the interact club has independently worked this year too. Beginning with the Rotary club sponsored event when we Interactors hosted 20 IAS officers in our campus. It was indeed a once in a lifetime experience getting to talk to such inspirational figures in person.

The first remotely executed project was spreading awareness about the precautions to take during this pandemic along with motivating people through a presentation, this was followed by a drive that gives priority to COVID-19 by promoting the usage of face masks through making ecofriendly, biodegradable masks and packing them for distribution to frontline workers as well as to anyone else in need of them. Soon after we moved on toward executing what looks to be the last project for this year on our lists of activities is the distribution of grains and pulses to the underprivileged during these hard times where a couple of parents of our Interactors also volunteered.

All this being said there is no doubt that without the constant contribution and cooperation of each and every member of the Interact Club 2020-21, our teacher in charge Mrs. Vatsala Mehra and occasional help from others in the faculty when in trying times like these we would not have achieved all this. We all stayed united and made sure the club stood tall and strong. This year even though we mostly worked from our homes we cherished each activity we could do because doing our part to make our society a little better is what truly puts a smile on our face.



# Shouldering Social Responsibility

Service never stops at MIS and with this goal, even amid the pandemic, we took our strides forward to help our surrounding society. MISTARS back at home are enrolling themselves with NGOs during the time of the pandemic. Rayna, Orna of Grade 7, and Raya of Grade 8 in Kolkata helped their mothers in their NGOs by collecting







clothes, shoes, snacks, and baked cookies for distribution to the underprivileged. Another fellow schoolmate of Grade 8 Prisha Singh in Bhopal had been distributing sanitizers, masks, clothes, and various other things to the underprivileged in her town. She had also taken care of pregnant women of the underprivileged. The senior girls of grade 12 Suchi Saraf and, Jia Juneja enrolled themselves with the Sunday program and volunteered for teaching the students in the villages about all the basic manners, awareness, and their basic rights.











#### **COMMUNITY TEACHING**

Students of Grades 9 to 12 pave their way through jungles during weekends to visit Kempty School in order to teach the children important vocational skills and to enhance their learning. It has been noticed that the children there have strong understanding skills and are keen to learn new things. The kids are also taught basic French to give flight to their limited thinking. The younger students are taught how to introduce themselves while the elder ones are taught complex concepts of mathematics and English. How healthy living practices are important aspects of human life is also a part of their regular discussion.



#### IN-CAMPUS CLEANLINESS DRIVE

Inside-campus cleanliness drive is a regular feature of our service activity. Students are assigned areas for weekend cleaning drive. Armed with brooms and disposable bags, the team picks up the garbage cleaning various areas of the school compound. The girls master team spirit and are elated to be able to do their duty as an important part of the community.

#### OUTSIDE CAMPUS CLEANLINESS DRIVE

Our girls exhibit both dynamism and enthusiasm to have cleaned various spots outside the school campus. They have gone trekking to the Mall road and the Company Garden areas picking up all possible litter strewn on the way. The girls showed a great deal of zest to clean the Kempty Falls area too. They are determined to face either the rugged forest pathways uphill and are never seen to deter the inclement weather conditions.

Being Humane







### VILLAGE COMMUNITY INTERACTION

Our first community service endeavour was to Beera Village, which is situated on the outskirts of the Rawal Temple in Mussoorie. Twenty students of classes VI and VII accompanied by the two teachers were part of the programme.

The group trekked for four kilometres through the forest and were involved in a number of activities with them. Ice breaking session started with sharing moral stories and listening to their folklores passed down by oral history. Students shared how to maintain personal hygiene and how to ward off germs and diseases. Students got exposed to information on terrace farming, organic vegetation, natural water harvesting and water retention measures.

The best part of their experience was the homemade lunch. They saw how chapatis are made on chullahs and how corns and pulses are dried for sowing seeds the coming season.













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masks, a step working as the need of the hour-plus to teach the women to be self-dependent. These five children went ahead to help the rural families with ration and essentials with the little amount they collected, it is often said that "children are our future" and these children are providing with the wonderful future one can expect in the near future.

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Pastoral Care



Pursuits of life explored in perfect presence









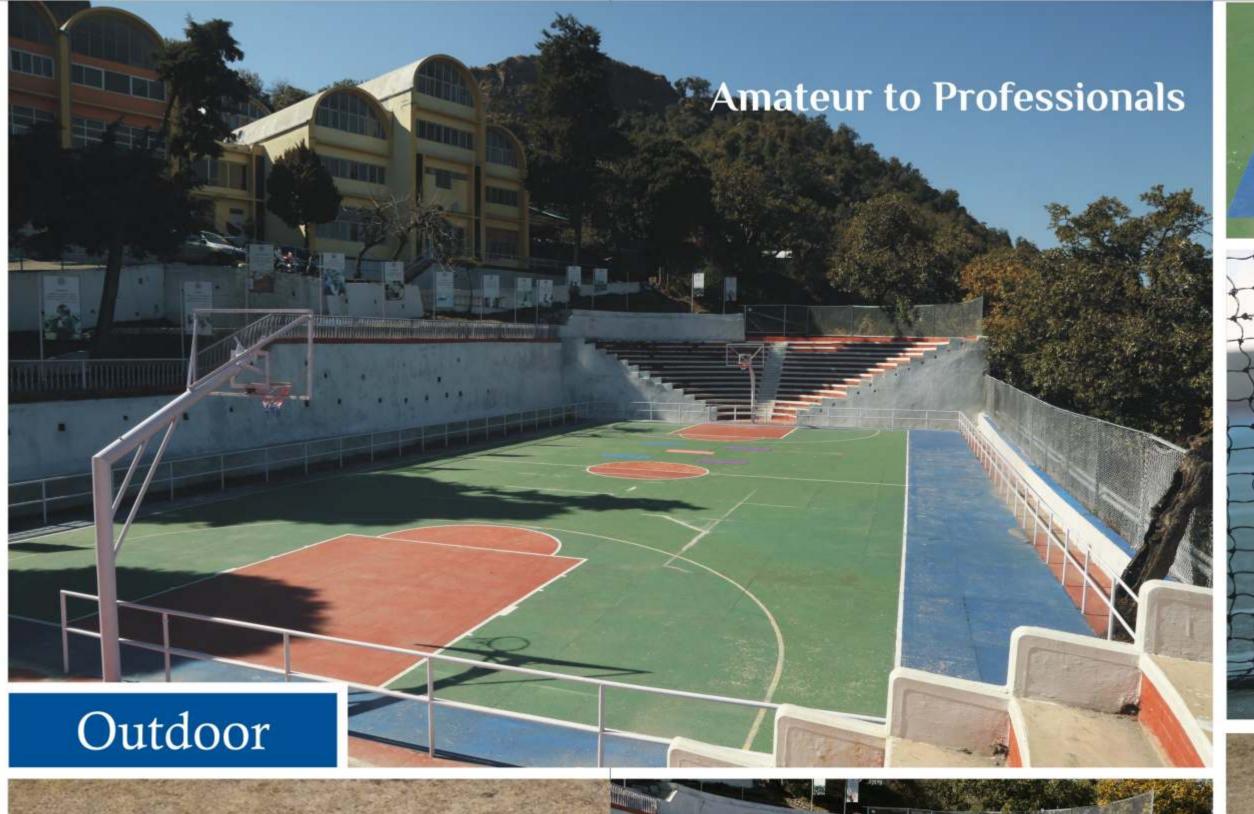






















Games Captain

On the 11th of February the school vested in me the captaincy of the Sports Department. When it comes to sports, our school has always believed that 'It's not the team with the best players that wins rather it's the players with the best team that wins.'

Towards the beginning of this academic year the MIStars were filled with hope and strength. There was a general fitness program that was included during the sports time along with an individual sport like badminton, tennis etc. and a team sport like basketball, football etc. To make the activities enjoyable and embark upon much more learning weekly zumba classes were included in the schedule for students.

At MIS a greater emphasis is laid on the participation rather than the result because irrespective of what the result may be, the students learn to improve from the better to the best. Due to the COVID 19 outbreak the students did not get opportunity to host 'Sports Day 'yet do not lose hope as we may not be able to march through the field together but we surely will march through this pandemic with equal grace and enthusiasm to be back in school.

To conclude with, I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude towards the sports department and my peers for believing in me and trusting me with this captaincy. I would like to tell the batches who follow after us that

"Don't aspire to be the best on the team rather aspire to be the best for the team."

- Ishika Banerjee (Games Captain'2020)

"Never let the fear
of striking out
keep you from
playing the game"
-Babe Ruth

Gayatri House

"Knowledge is Power; Power is Wisdom, and Wisdom is Understanding".

This quote has always inspired the girls of Gayatri House to give their best, whatever the outcome may be. Keeping this quote in mind, Gayatri house set forth to an exciting and unforgettable year.

Following the idealistic virtue, the year commenced with the special assembly where the responsibility of Gayatri House was handed over to me, Tahiti Gupta.

The Inter-House competitions started with the Inter-House Cricket Championship, in where the house secured 3rd position, even though it was the first event of the year and we did not perform well, we never lost hope and gave our best in the next competition. The next Inter-House event was The Folk Dance Competition. All the girls performed with great zeal and enthusiasm on stage and we stood 2nd. Next, was the Inter-House Science Spectrum where we came 3rd but still, the house spirit always soared high in all the girls because as our House slogan says "WE ARE THE GAYATRI'S WE FALL AND RISE, WE ARE THE GAYATRI'S WE SAY IT WITH PRIDE".

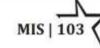
The first event which was held online was the Science Fest. It was a new experience for all of us but with the support and efforts of all the girls, the process became easier to tackle. This was followed by the Patriotic Singing competition and Inter-House Dance competition. The virtual platform was a new experience for all of us but there is nothing that the girls of Gayatri House can't tackle.

The girls prepared for each and every event with their full potential and showcased their talent with great passion. Everyone worked effortlessly and tirelessly and gave their all by not forgetting that" never lose spirit, always walk tall, because success is in doing and not in winning".

Gayatri House showed a lot of improvement throughout the year because of the cooperation and collective hard work of the girls. I would like to thank each and every member associated with our house for their full support and teamwork. I would especially like to thank our House Master, Mr. Akash Grover, and our House Mistress, Ms. Saumi, who guided us to perform to the best of our abilities. I would also like to express my gratitude to all the other House teachers and our beloved house mothers without whom we would not have achieved what we did.

I hope that the Gayatri House girls will never forget that "Knowledge is Power" and will continue to rise to the greater heights of glory.

- Tahiti Gupta (House Captain)



# Lakshmi House

Embodying the house motto: "The Sky is the limit', I, Jahnvi Jain started my journey as the House Captain of Lakshmi House. I was ready to put my best foot forward with the motive to bring Lakshmi House to the top.

The first house event that I led was the Inter-house Folk Dance Competition. It was undoubtedly challenging but with the zeal and enthusiasm of all the house members and house teachers, the house secured the first position. The earnest diligence shown by each individual was substantial.

Not only on the cultural front, but Lakshmi house also excelled in the sports end. Lakshmi house won the first position in the Inter-house Cricket match. This was a matter of great pride for each one of us. Winning two events consecutively exalted us alongside challenged us for the upcoming event - Science week. All the participants had put immense efforts, and secured second position.

However, despite the ongoing pandemic, the school organised various online Inter-house events. Each member of Lakshmi house was committed and diligent, continuing to hold their house spirits higher. Science fest was the first event that was conducted online, it was quite difficult to perform and prepare this virtually, we didn't succeed.

This defeat empowered and motivated us to exert ourselves and put back breaking efforts into the upcoming Inter-house Patriotic Dance competition. This came as an exciting opportunity to prove our potential. A day before the competition, the auspicious Investiture Ceremony was held assigning the well-deserved Naomi Chauhan as the Vice House Captain.

The performance left the judges awestruck and grabbed the first position in the dance competition. Following this, Lakshmi house also bagged the first position in the Inter-house Singing competition, adding laurels to the house.

This year truly was a roller coaster ride for Lakshmi House. Though physical absence and countless difficulties, we didn't loose hopes. Every stakeholder of Lakshmi house: the members, House Master and House Mistress, House Teachers, House Stars, Serving In-charges and House Prefects added spark to this impeccable journey.

I would like to end by reminding the future leaders of this house that:

"No journey is difficult with the right mindset and the spirit, when hard work pumps our blood, unity gives us courage, and Sky Is The Limit."

(House Captain)

Santoshi House

A successful team beats with one heart. Leadership is about empathy. It is about having the ability to relate to and connect with people to inspire and empower their lives. The outbreak of the virus hit the world and locked up the entire population in safe zones. The temporary discontinuation resulted in a never-ending vacation. As captains, we were not prepared to deal with the house on a virtual platform. The support and guidance of our teachers and students helped us go through this.

Santoshi house has always been known for the spirit it carries.

This spirit is displayed during October when the sports event takes place. Even if we didn't get a chance to flaunt it off on the field, Santoshi house was united even after being far off in foreign lands. This responsibility was not just a duty for us instead it turned out to be a learning period for both of us. The only thing that kept us moving throughout was the support of this house.

The house always believed in never give up spirit. Before we learned about the growing risk, the house excelled in various activities. The house stood 1st in the science fiesta, 2nd in the cricket league, and 3rd in the folk dance competition.

Furthermore, the house even participated in the online events.

As it is said, "You never leave someone behind. You take a part of them with you and leave a part of yourself behind". We take a bucket full of memories and we leave shoes for the upcoming batch to fill in. We expect them to always understand,

develop their own ways of administrating this house, keep the spirit high, and

 Parinita Chaudhary (House Captain)

# Inter House Cricket Match

"Battle of Bats and Balls"

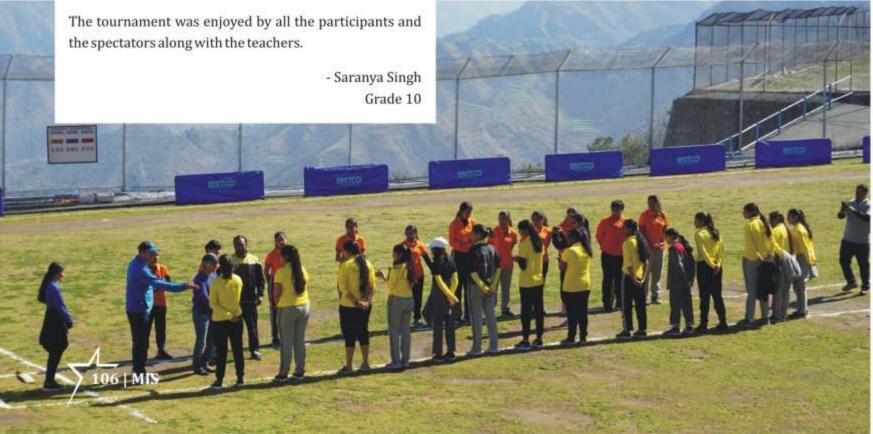
Cricket, the royal game of England played by the royal officials in the 13th Century, had set its foot in the foothills of Mussoorie. Mussoorie International School, in the year 2020, played the Inter-house Cricket Tournament. The MIStars held the bat in a firm grip to swing the ball and made sure to roll it till and beyond the boundaries.

The three houses, Santoshi lead by Saranya Singh as their Captain, Gayatri lead by Ananya Tripathi and Lakshmi lead by Vishakha Gaikwad. All the teams had their enthusiasm at the peak and were ready to release it.

By the end of the two day tournament, Lakshmi House and Santoshi House had made their place in the final face off. It seemed to be like a tug of war and no one could anticipate about the upcoming match. At last Lakshmi House won the cup and Santoshi House bagged second position with Ga-yatri House standing at the third position.

























# I am with the School Band

It's the first thing that the fresher hears when she walks into the campus and the last thing when MIStars walk out of the school gate into the world.

# **MINDFULNESS**

We are what we think



# Health & Fitness

A few minutes of Yoga during the day can be a great way to get rid of the stress that accumulates daily in both, the mind and the body. Yoga postures, pranayama and meditation are effective techniques to release stress.

Meditation relaxes and rejuvenates the body and mind. With this aim in mind, yoga classes were organised for the students of MIS through a virtual platform. The sessions included breathing exercises, guided relaxation and

several traditional yoga poses appropriate for children. Students performed Sukham-Vyayam, asanas like Surya-Namaskar, Sukhasana, Vajarasna, Tadasana, Chakarasana, Shavasana etc. The Pranayama performed were; Bhramari, meditation like OM chanting with Gyan Mudra etc.

Exercises for relieving stress, reducing joint pain and enhancing the flexibility of the back were also done for the benefit of the students. The students participated with full interest, enthusiasm and eagerness. All the yoga techniques learned by them would help them to concentrate well in studies as well as in all day to day activities.









Zumba classes started on 4th May for the entire school. The lockdown had put a halt on not just socialising but also on physical activities. MIS took the initiative for starting virtual Zumba classes for all the students and teachers. The classes happened on Mondays and Thursdays from 4:30 pm to 5:10 pm and were instructed by Ms. Mansi Chhabra. Ms. Mansi had been a Zumba instructor in Delhi for two years. The classes were divided into four sections, beginning with warm up, followed by choreographies. The cardio through dance was then paired with strength training or Pilates workout which helps in not only reducing fat but building up muscles, stamina and strength. The classes ended with a deep relaxing stretch which help in preventing any injuries and soreness.

The classes were not only attended and enjoyed by students but also their parents and the teachers.



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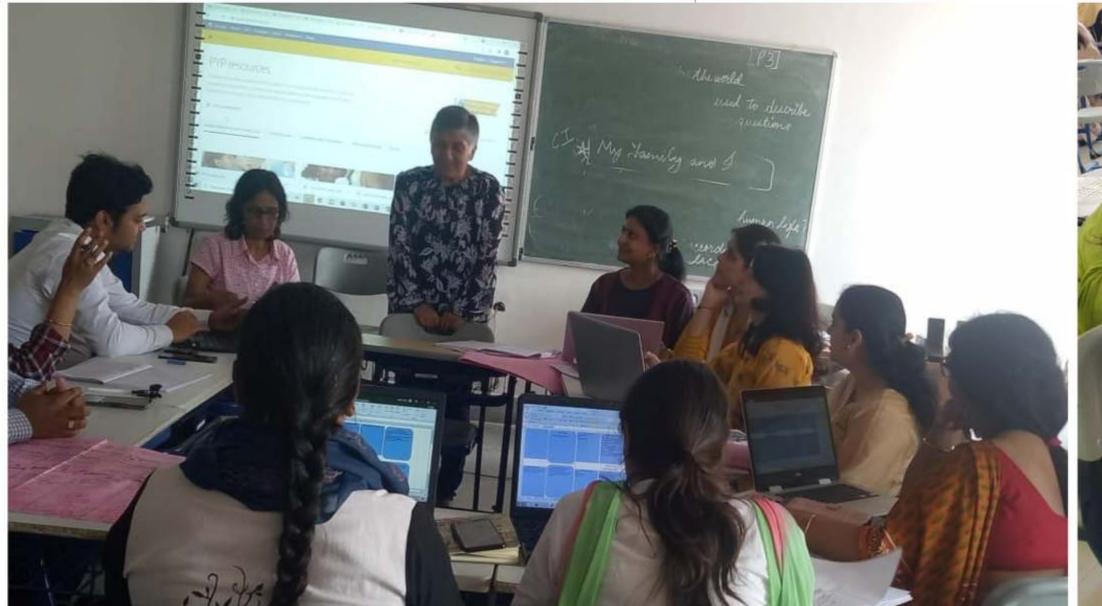


# Professional Development

At MIS, professional development is an ongoing process which supports teaching and non-teaching members to focus on improving their career and increasing their competencies and capabilities in the workplace. It helps to figure out how one should deal with certain situations.

Keeping in mind the same MIS, has constantly offered different training programmes to its faculty who has undergone different trainings offered by IB under DP program, CAIE, CISCE and Diksha courses by the Government of India.









# **CLASS OF**

Success doesn't rush. The greatest reward







# Graduation Class of 2021

In my ten years of stay at MIS, I have heard nine graduation speeches. Some of the speakers had tears in their eyes, and sitting in the crowd, I never really understood what they were going through. However, standing here within the chaos of my thoughts, amidst the impending sadness and flash of memories, I can completely understand their emotions and thoughts.

It is a great honour to be able to share with my family all that our school has done to mould our lives and prepare us for what is to come. MIS relies on what we refer to as the five pillars of achievement; these pillars are academics, sports, culture, leadership and service. Trust me when I say that MIS is constantly growing and excelling in all of these areas. However, as a student and a member of this family, I can speak to a different aspect, one that not all see. It is our connectedness, happiness and friendships that form the root of this institution, the foundations on which all other pillars can be built upon. It is each person knowing each other by name, the celebration of different cultures, personalities and perspectives.

To the coming batches: the journey of school may seem long, but I promise you that before you know it, you will be sitting in the top row, wondering where the years have gone, and how they galloped by so fast. As you continue your journey through MIS, always keep in mind, it does not matter about the number of times you fall unless it is one less than the number of times you stand. Denzel Washington has rightly said, "Without commitment, you will never start, but more importantly, without consistency, you will never finish."

To our teachers and housemothers, thank you for so unselfishly sharing your time, talent and knowledge with us. Thank you for going beyond your call of duty and demanding excellence from us. You set the bar high and challenged us to live up to it.



It would be remiss of me to let this opportunity go without reflecting on a few moments that we as a class have experienced over the years. I think my batch, Esoteric, would agree with me when I say that we have been the most exceptional batch, in terms of spontaneity and innovation, in the history of schooling. We were the first ever to conduct MISMUN on an online platform, give our last midterms online, celebrate Founders online and let's not forget; give boards in Grade 11. Well, the past year has taught us that things may not go as planned but also made us realise that each of us are resilient because we made use of every opportunity that came our way and this is what makes us esoteric.

Our journey at MIS has prepared us well to face the outside world and today I can proudly say that we have come far individually and as a class. The future is the present to come and the past is the present gone by. So work really hard, work in the present without worrying about rewards, work in silence and I am sure your success will make all the noise. And at any point of time if you think you are alone always remember that there is an esoteric just one call away.

All the very best to all the upcoming batches. We are sure you will keep the MIS flag waving high.

Signing off. Sanskriti Saraff





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It was a morning infused with mixed emotions where everyone assembled to witness the official signing off to the class of 2021. The day was a fiesta devoted to the years spent together with friends and teachers to reminisce the joyous moments of the 4 wonderful years on this amazing campus. The students of class XI organized a brilliant farewell with great enthusiasm and endeavored to leave a trail of nostalgia behind for the 12thies. The students of class of 2021 collected memories capturing different emotions connected to each while their journey at MIS. It was an emotionally driven moment for all present in the gathering.





Great is the art of beginning and greater is the art of ending













NIMEAT

# Writing attentively to remember distinctively



Time capsules have always been about what a society wishes to remember and pass on its best version of itself to be projected into the future. They are usually subjective and always tell a human story. It is basically a memory box hidden away for your future.

At MIS, the idea of Time Capsule came into existence for the class of 2021 which aimed to help children reflect on their experiences and encourage a sense of togetherness within their school community, by creating something to mark the end of an extraordinary year. So in a few years they can open it back up and see what memories are in store for them. This is perfect as a gift to you for the future.















There goes the Class of 2021... God be with them!



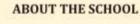


# Class of 2021 Speaks...

# **MIStar Dhriti Baid**

YEAR OF JOINING: 2019

STREAM: Commerce



Friends become family and all teachers are like

#### **JOURNEY AT MIS**

I walked into the gates of MIS on 18th April 2019. I was really homesick but my grade mates welcomed me with so much warmth. Teachers here have been supportive and helpful at each and every level. Even though all of us spent our last year at home, I will always cherish the memories that I have made in the one year I was in school because my friends have now become my family. I will miss this place and I wish I could spend some more time here.

#### ACHIEVEMENTS

- · Santoshi House Prefect
- · Cricket Match 2nd position · Folk Dance Competition
- 3rd position

#### **VIEW POINTS**

Dhriti has consistently proved herself as a meticulous and meritorious student of the class. She has the quality of being a silent worker.

-Mr. J.K. Dash

STREAM : Science

YEAR OF JOINING: 2019

## **MIStar Prerna Yadav**

#### VIEW POINTS

Prerna is an enthusiastic child who is not afraid of taking risks.

- Mr. S. Agarwal

#### ACHIEVEMENTS

- Science Society Head
- · Photography Club Head.
- · Inter-House Science Project Competition - 1st Position,
- · Head organiser of Science
- · Participated in Business Quiz

Tournament

 1 Can conference- EB · Inter - House Cricket

# JOURNEY AT MIS

I joined MIS in grade 11 and it has just been a year in the school and it already feels like home. When I tell you that I miss school it means I miss the people there. I miss the fun and things that made me laugh and cry. I'll always cherish the memories that I made with the teachers and friends. MIS has changed a lot of things in my life that has helped me grow up to higher levels.

#### ABOUT THE SCHOOL

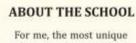
The beautiful environment and everyone's loving nature.



# MIStar Michelle Bagchi

YEAR OF JOINING: 2016

STREAM: Humanities



For me, the most unique thing about this institution has been the saturday havans and I'm sure everyone reading this has or had tons of memories with it. Not only does it remind me of the fun times but it also instills moral values of the Indian culture.

#### **JOURNEY AT MIS**

My journey at MIS has been adventurous because through all these four years I had a different experience and a different perspective each time. It breaks my neart to call ourselves the batch of Covid 2021 but I don't regret anything. I say I don't regret anything because back when we were at school, we were just having fun and didn't realize we were making memories hence I've got a bunch of topics to cry and laugh about! So my dear future MIStars, I would say balance your time for I have learned it from the best, from home, from MIS.

- · School Prefect
- Editor of The Originals

**ACHIEVEMENTS** 

- · School Football Team
- · Vice-Chairperson, UNSC (MISMUN'20)

#### VIEW POINTS

Michelle is a very confident, highly motivated and sincere child. She believes in leading by example and works for the development of the others. She has always been supportive and democratic in nature

- Ms. Kavita Sharma

STREAM: Humanities YEAR OF JOINING: 2019

# **MIStar Unnati Pattnaik**

#### VIEW POINTS

Unnati is cheerful and

has a great sense of humour. She has contributed immensly towards the working of the school weekly "The Originals".

#### - Mr. S. Agarwal

# ACHIEVEMENTS

- · Editor-in-chief'20, The Originals.
- Historical Society Head. Best Political Party leader & Member of
- the Runner-Up Political Party, I Can. Most Promising Delegate, MISMUN'19
- Best Delegate, MISMUN'20.
- · Quater-finalist at Vijaybhoomi Inter-School Debate.
- Member of Santoshi House Cricket

#### **JOURNEY AT MIS**

My experience at MIS has been equal to none other, I made amazing friends, had wonderful teachers and made numerous memories.

#### ABOUT THE SCHOOL

The view.



# MIStar Shefali Bhatia

#### ABOUT THE SCHOOL **JOURNEY AT MIS**

The feeling of oneness.

#### Its been crazy 3 years for me and I've not only had fun with my friends but have also learnt a lot. All of us thought that 2020 was going to be 'our year' but it turned out to be quite the opposite. Nevertheless, I will miss these years spent in this school and will cherish

#### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

- · Part of the School Basketball Team
- · School Throwball Team Captain
- Passed Throwball Regional Competition
- Correspondent, The Originals
- · Part of Editorial Board

and reached Nationals

YEAR OF JOINING: 2018

- · Santoshi House Prefect Quater-finalist at Vijaybhoomi Inter-School Debate
- Orchestra Coordinator for Founders

#### VIEW POINTS

Shefali Bhatia is courteous and honest. She always remained focused on the activity at

STREAM : Commerce

Ms. Kavita Sharma

#### **MIStar Shruti Singh** STREAM: Science YEAR OF JOINING: 2019

#### VIEW POINTS

Shruti is a funloying and cheerful child. She is very meticulous about hertasks.

- Mr. S. Agarwal

#### ACHIEVEMENTS

- Santoshi House Prefect. Inter-House Football.
- MSSA Football

#### **JOURNEY AT MIS**

It was a tough decision to shift from a day school to a boarding school but two years down the line, I am happy that I took this decision. There were lots of ups and downs in the journey and I enjoyed every bit of it. Living on the hills with great weather throughout the year will be missed. The school provided me with all the amenities a student could dream of. It helped me grow as a global student and provided me with a family. It is indeed a home away from home. I have learned a lot from my school and the great values it functions on.

#### ABOUT THE SCHOOL

My lovely friends.



# **MIStar Anjani Karanwal**

#### ABOUT THE SCHOOL

Hard work for achieving

# **IOURNEY AT MIS**

I joined last year and I never thought that these two years would be the most memorable time I have spent till now. Life at MIS has been like a roller coaster with so many ups and downs but handling those situation with friends was easier. I found a family of friends. I will always cherish the time I spent here.

#### ACHIEVEMENTS

YEAR OF JOINING: 2019

- Inter-School Football match, 1st Position
- Inter-House Football Match, 1st Position
- Inter-House Cricket Match, 2nd Position Participant, MISMUN'19, MISMUN'20
- Inter-House Athletic Meet, 1500n (Participant), 200m (2nd Position), 4 x 100m Relay (2nd Position)

#### VIEW POINTS

STREAM: Commerce

Anjani is sensitive to the thoughts and pinions of others in the group. She accepts the recommendations of peers and acts on them when appropriate

Mr. S. Agarwal

#### STREAM: Commerce YEAR OF JOINING: 2009

Tenzin is kind and helpful to everyone in the classroom. She cooperates consistently with

VIEW POINTS

other students. - Mr. J.K. Dash

the teacher and

### ACHIEVEMENTS

School Basketball Team Captain

#### **IOURNEY AT MIS**

I started off in this school 12 years back. Petrified on my first day, not knowing anyone around me. My class teacher, Miss Neupani helped me cope up, make friends and make the class my safe haven. Over the years, school was my home, the people who I could be myself around. Just how Anthony Brandt had quoted, "Other things may change us, but we start and end with the family." M.I.S is my family and one of my fondest memories which will be cherished for eternity.

### ABOUT THE SCHOOL

Cultural Diversity





# MIStar Vidhi Jain

YEAR OF JOINING: 2019

STREAM: Humanities



#### ABOUT THE SCHOOL

Feels like home

#### **JOURNEY AT MIS**

Initially I took time to adjust but soon I started realizing how beautiful life is in MIS with friends and teachers. In the pandemic I missed being with them and I wish I had more time to stay with the MIS family. I will always cherish being a part of it.

#### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

Participated in various Cultural and Sports events.

#### VIEW POINTS

Viddhie is a child with a strong sense of empathy for the ones around her.

-Mr. J.K. Dash

STREAM: Commerce YEAR OF JOINING: 2016

# **MIStar Parinita Chaudhary**

#### VIEW POINTS

Parinita strives to reach her full potential and uses her instincts to deal with matters independently and in a positive

- Mr. S. Agarwal

#### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

· Santoshi House Captain

· School Hockey Team Captain · Chief Director

· Part of Editorial Board

#### **JOURNEY AT MIS**

The journey at MIS has not been long and even if it has, it is not enough for me. It feels like we just started and here we are at the end of the shore. It is a great part of me and makes me what I am today.

#### ABOUT THE SCHOOL

Belongingness



# **MIStar Suchi Saraf**

#### ABOUT THE SCHOOL

The Bunking Tree

#### **JOURNEY AT MIS**

5 years now. It was 2016 when I first stepped in MIS, it was just like any other school for me but with time I learnt this is a family. A FAMILY who has not only given me tons of memories but also shaped me into a confident individual, widened my horizon. Hope to make all of you proud.

#### ACHIEVEMENTS

YEAR OF JOINING: 2016

Certificate for Academic Excellence

School Prefect

Secretary General, MISMUN

· President, MUN Club

#### VIEW POINTS

STREAM: Commerce

Suchi is an enthusiastic learner who seems to enjoy school. She is a conscientious, hardworking and fun-

- Ms. Kavita Sharma

loving student.

STREAM : Science

YEAR OF JOINING: 2017

# MIStar Khushali Agarwal

#### VIEW POINTS

to achieve her goals.

Khushali is hardworking student who tries very hard

- Mr. J.K. Dash

#### ACHIEVEMENTS

Participated in various Cultural and Sports events

### **JOURNEY AT MIS**

My memories are filled with MIS and I doubt that I'll come across such a lovely environment again.

#### ABOUT THE SCHOOL

My Teachers



# **MIStar Niyati Agarwal**

#### ABOUT THE SCHOOL

Everybody's hardworking nature.

#### **IOURNEY AT MIS**

Looking back at the last six years of my journey in MIS, I have discovered the untold about myself. I have been through ups and downs, faced challenges but learnt to never give up. I made the best of friends who would never leave my hand and got love and warmth from the elders, It wasn't just a school but a place that will be cherished at every step of my success.

#### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

YEAR OF JOINING: 2015

- · Part of the light and sound, backstage team for
- · Participated in inter-School Badminton, Throwball and Swimming competitions.
- Gold Medalist in Swimming District Competitions
- · Part of Uttarakhand Representative Throwball Team, Third place in CISCE Throwball.
- House Star in grades 8 & 10, Patrol Prefect in grade 11, House Prefect in grade 12.
- School Badminton Team Captain.
- · Music & Dance-Sitar Captain

- Niyati is quick to learn from her
  - mistakes and never hestiates to lend a helping

VIEW POINTS

STREAM: Commerce

- Mr. S. Agarwal

# **MIStar Janvi Vasant**

#### VIEW POINTS

Janvi is a kind and loving student. he has a deep compassion for everyone around

-A. Marks

House

Gayatrı

#### ACHIEVEMENTS

Gayatri House Prefect Participated in various Inter-House events.

STREAM: Commerce YEAR OF JOINING: 2019

### **JOURNEY AT MIS**

My journey at MIS was full of learning experiences with the joy of staying with my friends, that too, under the guidance of my teachers. Everyday at MIS gave me an understanding of something new.

### ABOUT THE SCHOOL

Integrity of the school.



STREAM: Humanities

of the class.

Mr. S. Agarwal

VIEW POINTS

Diya is a girl with a

great sense of humor.

she never fails b

ighten the atmosphere

# **MIStar Diya Bansal**

#### ABOUT THE SCHOOL

The atmosphere.

I joined MIS last year, and this mesmerising place gave me memories I'd treasure for a lifetime. I learnt and developed, tried my best to manage time but still ended up being screamed at by the housemother, makes sense though, I always was late. And yet, a preoccupied school girl was always a better option than a Netflix streaming couch potato. MIS, has always been a roller coaster of heavy emotions, I half wish I could eat the momos, sitting outside the tuck shop and then run away after seeing a monkey. Mussoorie International School, you will be remembered. I learnt and developed, tried my best to manage time but still ended up being scolded.

**JOURNEY AT MIS** 

## ACHIEVEMENTS

- Standing first in the business quiz (Intra-school)
- Most promising parliamentarian (I CAN)
- Assistant Director for an MUN conference (Intra Academic excellency in
- Political Science (Grade 11) First prize for Essay writing competition (Inter-school)
- · Gayatri House Prefect

# MIStar Jia Juneja

YEAR OF JOINING: 2019

# VIEW POINTS

Jia is an excellent organizer. One can depend on her to get things done efficiently and quickly.

-A. Marks

#### ACHIEVEMENTS

STREAM: Humanities YEAR OF JOINING: 2013

Won medals in swimming and atheletics.

My journey at MIS has been wonderful full of learning and new experiences. I have learnt to patient, independent and confident.

**JOURNEY AT MIS** 

### ABOUT THE SCHOOL

Home away from home



# **MIStar Ananya Agrawal**

ABOUT THE SCHOOL

The onrush of scenery

**IOURNEY AT MIS** 

You walk into your first day as a junior not knowing where the classes are and the whole grade being new faces. The days pass by from first English class to inter-house matches to watching ice age from time to time to first board examination to the day of investiture to the final walk and soon the 17,920 hours pass by in a matter of noments. Mussoorie International School has taught me a lot and changed me for good but, most importantly, it introduced me to people I will cherish forever.

#### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

YEAR OF JOINING: 2019

- · Gayatri House Dining Hall Prefect 2020
- · Social Service Director of Interact Club 2020 · Best Reporter MISMUN
- · Psychology subject award 2019
- · Qbiz winner (1st place)

#### VIEW POINTS

STREAM: Huminities

Ananya is a creative wordsmith who will entrap you with just her words.

-A. Marks

STREAM: Commerce YEAR OF JOINING: 2011

# **MIStar Sanskriti Saraff**

#### VIEW POINTS

Sanskriti sets an example excellence in behaviour cooperation. She has an impressive understanding and depth of knowledge about her interests. Sanskriti is a very well behaved student. She has shown a very high standard academic report with all good behavior to everyone.

- Ms. Kavita Sharma

#### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

- Scholarship Awardee for Exemplary Performance in the ICSE Board Examination:
- · All Rounder Awardee
- School Orchestra and School Band Drummer
- Inter-school Basketball Player
- Member of the Light & Sound and Backstage Team
- House Star

- · Senior Editor in The Originals Team 2020
- · Head Organiser: Senior Leads Junior Programme 2020
- · MISMUN 2020: Assistant Director of UNSC

#### **JOURNEY AT MIS**

In my ten years of stay in this institute, I have seen it grow from strength to strength. One thing that has stayed consistent in all phases is that it has always felt like home.

#### ABOUT THE SCHOOL

Connections



# MIStar Ishika Banerjee

#### ABOUT THE SCHOOL

Green Field (I just connect to this snot of the school too much)

#### **IOURNEY AT MIS**

My journey at MIS has been fantastic and it makes me nostalgic when I think of the day I joined this place. Every corner of the school speaks of a memory that we'll cherish for life. This place has actually made me believe that FRIENDS are our CHOSEN FAMILY. I'm grateful for all the people that I've met in this school the teachers, aunties and the uncles. Even the thought of leaving this place makes me feel sad cause obviously who wants to leave HOME. This was our last year to spend time all together as a batch as we don't know what the future holds for us but I hope to keep all the bonds tightened together even after leaving this place as ONCE A MISTAR, ALWAYS A MISTAR.

#### ACHIEVEMENTS

Sports Scholarship

YEAR OF JOINING: 2013

- Sports Captain Youth Director (Interact Club) Others - Badminton - distric
- Throwball-Regional, Inter-school Athletics-Inter-school

### regional Inter-school

#### VIEW POINTS

STREAM: Commerce

Being the Sports captain Ishika has always taken her responsibilities seriously and has notivated her team to perform better in all school and Inter-School events. She has set higher standards for her batch and led by example.

Ms. Kavita Sharma

#### STREAM: Commerce YEAR OF JOINING: 2019

# MIStar Megha Jain

#### VIEW POINTS

Megha is an example of being obedient and ncere for her work in the class. She is keen to learn new things and accept the challanges.

## - Mr. S. Agarwal

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#### ACHIEVEMENTS

· Represented Gayatri house in mathematics quiz (class 9-12),

Been a part of Gayatri house cricket team.

#### **IOURNEY AT MIS**

From being a scared girl who had no idea what was right for her, to the girl who now can make her own decisions, I grew at MIS. My journey in MIS was really short but it was not only limited to learning but also organising, handling emotions, choosing a path for myself without regretting my decision, which helped me evolve in several ways.

#### ABOUT THE SCHOOL

The feeling of belongingness I received at school.



# **MIStar Aaniya Panwar**

#### ABOUT THE SCHOOL

Memories

#### **JOURNEY AT MIS**

#### It has been a wonderful experience, I had come back to school after 4 years as I had already been studying here. There was no difference, the roots were strong and MIS was still the privileged school and one of a kind.

**JOURNEY AT MIS** 

MIS has transformed me into

a whole new person. Every

day I spent here, I learned

something new that made me

grow as an individual. My

journey at MIS was about

rising and falling but never

giving up. It has instilled

values in me for which I will

always be grateful.

#### ACHIEVEMENTS

YEAR OF JOINING: 2019

- President of Sculpture Club
- Participated in Sports Events

ABOUT THE SCHOOL

MIS has helped me

build connections

with people from all

walks of life, and I

will always cherish

#### been a sincere, cheerful and helping member of the class.

VIEW POINTS

Ananya has always

- Mr. S. Agarwal

STREAM: Humanities

VIEW POINTS

Divyanshi is not just a

bright student but a

hardworking one as

well. She has a great

clarity of thought and

expresses them in a

precise manner.

- A. Marks

STREAM: Commerce

STREAM: CAIE

Aditi is a child with

cheerful disposition

initiative in the events

of the school. She is a

socially responsible

child and has gone a way

ahead to help the

juniors. She is confident

child and a good Orater.

- Ms. Kavita Sharma

d has always taken

# YEAR OF JOINING: 2017

#### VIEW POINTS ACHIEVEMENTS

- Prefect 2019
- IT Department Coordinator Founders' Day 2019 Global Ambassador 2020-21 & Interact Club 2020 - President
- The Originals 2020 & MISMUN 2020 IT Head
- Mock Parliament 2020 Organising Committee Member
- Principal's Certificate of Appreciation for Exemplary Performance in IGCSE Board Examination in the Year 2019 along with a Scholarship First Rank Holder-IGCSE 2020 Board Examination
- First Rank Holder AS Level 2020 Board Examination
- I Can-First Position-Marketing & Advertising Department Member
- · Inter House Swimming Gala First Position Gayatri House
- · Classical Dance Bharatnatyam

# **MIStar Divyanshi Singh**

#### ABOUT THE SCHOOL

Ambience of MIS.

#### **IOURNEY AT MIS**

MIS has made me a better person. It gave me exposure for displaying my talents in kathak and also made me try things out of my comfort zone which has made me resilient.

#### YEAR OF JOINING: 2019

**MIStar Aditi Mittal** 

ACHIEVEMENTS

- · Chairperson, SOCHUM, MISMUN'20
- · Treasurer, Interact Club
- Participated in cultural programmes · Inter-house kathak (2019) 1st position, Hindi recitation, Milestone, Capta Caelum.
- Took part in Fortis Psychology Quiz.
- · Received Principal's Award for Kathak in 2019

ABOUT THE SCHOOL

Monitor 2020-21

# **MIStar Ananya Tripathi**

# STREAM: Humanities YEAR OF JOINING: 2019

#### VIEW POINTS

Ananya is a determined person. She has the will nd perseverance to pursue the goals she sets for herself.

-A. Marks

#### ACHIEVEMENTS Gayatri house Prefect,

Silver Medal in IAYP

# **IOURNEY AT MIS**

It took me 6 to 7 hrs to settle in this school. Teachers never made me feel upset or low. I have been in a boarding school before but according to me no school can have such friendly and cooperative environment as compared to ours.

MIS teachers.



# **MIStar Brinda Jaiswal**

YEAR OF JOINING: 2017

STREAM: Science

VIEW POINTS

Brinda is an

introvert who pens

her thoughts in the

form of beautiful

- Mr. S. Agarwal

creations.



#### ABOUT THE SCHOOL

Personally, our school uniform will be cherished by me forever! The beautiful pleats of our plaid skirt, the crispness of our stark shirts and the extured material of our blazers remind me of those hectic school days and all those bitter sweet

#### **IOURNEY AT MIS**

Being born and raised in three different countries all my life, coming back to my roots was definitely overwhelming. I had never realized my disconnection from the Indian culture, language and delicacy until I stepped foot into my homeland. MIS has been a significant link of adherence, connecting the Western atmosphere I was comfortable in, to the Indian undertone that was prevailing, but never explored. Mussoorie International School has helped me establish newfound credence, with all the festivities occurring around me exuberantly! MIS has made me realize my weaknesses and my strengths, making me confident enough to embrace my imperfections.

#### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

- Physics subject award 2019
- Biology subject award 2019 English subject award 2019
- Physical Education subject
- award 2019
- Editor of the Interact Club 2020
- Associate Committee Director MISMUN 2020

Qbiz winner (2nd place) 2019

Patrol Prefect 2019

# STREAM: Commerce YEAR OF JOINING: 2015

# **MIStar Ananya Agrawal**

#### VIEW POINTS

Aaniya, with the rtsmanspirit, is a cheerful child and ves to work as a team. She is highly motivated and is always willing to help others.

#### - A. Marks

VIEW POINTS Tahiti has been very

supportive towards all

ellow students. She

has always extended

an helping hand

whenever required.

teachers and her

#### ACHIEVEMENTS

- Athletics captain Got selected for states for two
- Recieved a bronze medal in 800 mt in States 2019
- Got an all rounder award in grade 9
- Played many Inter-schools
- · Achieved many medals and
- Participated in many co-curricular

#### **JOURNEY AT MIS**

I joined MIS in 2015. Years pass by so fast, I still remember the day I stepped into the school, I was really nervous and scared. Now, I am writing my journey at MIS which I actually cannot describe in words. I am going cherish my happy moments spent here with my friends. Getting up early in the morning for morning PE will actually be missed, the corridors, the dining hall, the dorms, the cubies, etc. not even one place that I have no memory with. Simply, MIS is home.

#### ABOUT THE SCHOOL

YEAR OF JOINING: 2019

**MIStar Tahiti Gupta** 



# MIStar Elisha khan

#### ABOUT THE SCHOOL

#### Diversity

#### **JOURNEY AT MIS**

My journey at MIS has been eye-opening and blissful. It feels amazing be able to experience life in a boarding school where everyone is loving and accepting. MIS has taught me to work in any circumstance, cherish every moment and so much more. I am so happy to be a part of MIS family.

#### ACHIEVEMENTS

Fair participation in MISMUN and I Can, I was the Class monitor for the academic year 2019-2020.

#### VIEW POINTS

STREAM: CAIE

Elisha is a soft spoken and well behaved student.

Ms. Kavita Sharma

#### STREAM: Commerce YEAR OF JOINING: 2016

The past few years of my life have been the most amazing years that I could have ever asked for. Throughout these years I have learnt so much and grown up to be a better version of myself. MIS really helped me to achieve a lot of things which I never thought I was capable of. One thing I can surely say is that what I am going to miss are the relations that I built here, not only with my friends, but all the teachers and housemother's too.

The warmth and affection from everyone around



# MIStar Snigdha Jain

#### ABOUT THE SCHOOL

#### 'What doesn't kill us makes us stronger'

#### **IOURNEY AT MIS**

#### My journey at MIS has been a major milestone in my life. All the great experiences and opportunities I got in school play a major role in shaping me into the person I am today. I would not say that the 8 years I spent in MIS were perfect but they surely were the best. Today while leaving MIS I take with me priceless friendships and great advices from my mentors which will surely help me in my future. MIS is and will always be my home away from home.

#### ACHIEVEMENTS

Patrol Prefect (grade 11)

YEAR OF JOINING: 2013

- Cultural Captain (grade 12) Part of the school Basketball Team (since grade 8)
- Editorial Team Head (Year 2020)
- Principal award for the best all rounder (Year 2019)
- Part of the light and sound & Backstage team (grade 8 - grade 10)
- Participated in various Inter House Competitions throughout the years

#### VIEW POINTS

STREAM: Commerce

Snigdha cooperates consistently with her teachers and is committee to doing her best in all responsibilities taken up. Snigdha is a very sincere & humble student. She is wellversed with the school culture. She is also very good in behavior towards everyone.

# **MIStar Vani Agarwal**

# ABOUT THE SCHOOL

The location.

# **JOURNEY AT MIS**

I made many memories here, I will cherish them forever.

#### ACHIEVEMENTS

YEAR OF JOINING: 2019

Participated in various Cultural and Sports events.

### VIEW POINTS

Vani is a softspoken student. She never fails to fulfill her responsibilities.

STREAM: Commerce

- Mr. J.K. Dash

#### STREAM: Humanities YEAR OF JOINING: 2018

#### VIEW POINTS

Yana is always remembered for her humour and witty jokes during and outside the classroom, she never lets the class be a monotonous one, school will always miss her happy-go-lucky attitude.

- Mr. Mayank Chaturvedi

#### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

Participated in various Cultural and Sports events.

#### **JOURNEY AT MIS**

Studied, made friends and had a lot of fun. That's all.

#### ABOUT THE SCHOOL

The weather.



# MIStar Muskan Sharma

# **IOURNEY AT MIS**

The ethos.

ABOUT THE SCHOOL

The friends I made here are going to be with my till my last days, It's impossible for me to convey my gratitude to this school, for these friends and these unforgettable memories.

### ACHIEVEMENTS

YEAR OF JOINING: 2015 STREAM: Science

Participated in many Inter-House and Inter-School events.

#### VIEW POINTS

Muskan has a bubbly personality and never fails to entertainn with her cheeky smiles.

Mr. J.K. Dash



### ACHIEVEMENTS

- · Gayatri house captain
- · Part of the Interact Club
- · Certificate for xylophone · Contributed very much
- for Gayatri house . Taken part in Milestone.

#### **JOURNEY AT MIS**

Writing about my journey at MIS, I can't fit it into a few words. This place is always going to have a special place in my heart.

#### ABOUT THE SCHOOL



# MIStar Jahnvi Jain

ABOUT THE SCHOOL

The food

#### **JOURNEY AT MIS**

My six-year long journey at MIS has been amazing and very close to my heart. I have gained self-confidence and become more responsible. MIS has also given me various opportunities to showcase my talent. I feel fortunate to serve Lakshmi house as the House captain.

#### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

YEAR OF JOINING: 2015

- Post-Lakshmi House Captain, class monitor and
- Academic trophy for chemistry
- Participated in Inter house competitions like Science quiz, math quiz, business
- Senior lead junior (spokesperson)
- Science fest (co-ordinator)
- I Can (volunteered as the cooperate house CEO)
- Member of Interact Club

#### VIEW POINTS

STREAM: Science

hanvi is an humble, sincere and helpful student. She is soft spoken and very much liked by the other students & teachers.

-Ms. Kavita Sharma

STREAM: Humanities YEAR OF JOINING: 2019

MIStar Bugi A. Sangma

#### VIEW POINTS

Bugi had been a quiet tudent with a subtle titude with a postive approach to everything that came her way. She delt with all challenges with her unique style, she has been an asset to the school.

-Mr. Mayank Chaturvedi

#### ACHIEVEMENTS

Dining Hall Prefect, Vice

#### **JOURNEY AT MIS**

MIS was a beautiful stepping stone for me where my dreams, ideas and view of the world expanded. Although MIS will no longer be mine and a new breed of students will sit on the terrace classes, the library way, the music room, I'll come back to visit and everything will be different. The colours will look different, the people unfamiliar. But even though my school may change, the memories I've made here will not. I've learned lessons that didn't need textbooks, papers or pens. MIS is a place I will forever call home.

#### ABOUT THE SCHOOL



# **MIStar Avni Shroff**

#### ABOUT THE SCHOOL

The treatment that you receive from your teachers, always makes you feel at home, they are our parents in school.

House Prefect

# YEAR OF JOINING: 2016

My journey at MIS has been exceptional, I always wanted to join MIS, since I was 10 years old, I will always remember the morning p.e., prep, the havan on Saturday, all those teachers who taught us and made us who we are, listened to any of our problems whether it was related to their subject or not, all those friends who always make you laugh and enjoy your each and

**JOURNEY AT MIS** 

- Went for regionals for athletics
- Made it to the school team for athletics
- Worked for two years in the school weekly newsletter, which is when it started
- · Chaired the International press corps committee in the MUN
- Received academic awards
- Participated in several MUNs & several Marathons
- · 1 play sarangi, one of the oldest Indian instruments
- Head of the Finance Club

# ACHIEVEMENTS

Avni is a very old,

well behaved & sincere student. She is very sincere in her study. She has a good leadership skill also.

VIEW POINTS

-Mr. J.K. Dash

STREAM: Commerce

#### STREAM: Humanities YEAR OF JOINING: 2019

every day to the fullest.

ACHIEVEMENTS

#### **JOURNEY AT MIS**

My MIS journey was fullof cherished memories

#### ABOUT THE SCHOOL



# **MIStar Tanvi Agarwal**

#### ABOUT THE SCHOOL

A home like place

#### **JOURNEY AT MIS**

I started this journey a little late in comparison to many of my classmates. Even then this journey has been one of the most precious and memorable ones. From running in the green field to studying together and countless other

memories are stored forever as a sparkling light

#### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

Lakshmi House Prefect.

YEAR OF JOINING: 2019

#### VIEW POINTS

STREAM: Huminities

Tanvi possesses a coy personality with a panache in all the tasks she used to take in hand, she will be remembered as a true picture of an ideal student, one can ever have.

Mr. Mayank Chaturvedi

STREAM: Humanities YEAR OF JOINING: 2017

# **MIStar Anshika Mittal**

#### VIEW POINTS

Anshika had been an old student, who knew the ethos and values of the school, she has a subtle charm in her, through which she can easily overthrow any challenge.

- Mr. Mayank Chaturvedi

#### ACHIEVEMENTS

- Serving in-charge in grade Co-ordinator in grade 11
  - Prefect in grade 12

#### **JOURNEY AT MIS**

My journey at MIS has been great, everyone has been so helpful, all the teachers, house mothers and everyone. It was full of joy and I could not think of a better school to go to.

#### ABOUT THE SCHOOL

How it always made us feel like our second



# MIStar Vishakha Gaikwad

#### ABOUT THE SCHOOL

The teachers.

#### **JOURNEY AT MIS**

My journey at MIS has greatly shaped my personality and helped me in becoming what I am today. It has helped me explore the different fields of culture, sports and academics and helped me pursue my interests. It has defined me and made me ready to face the outside world.

#### ACHIEVEMENTS

YEAR OF JOINING: 2009

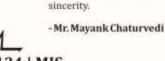
- Participated in Throwball Zonals in 2018
- MSSA throwball team ranked
- School Orchestra Co-ordinator
- Violin in-charge in the Music and Dance department.

#### VIEW POINTS

STREAM: Science

Vishakha loves to play the violin, a quiet child with lot of positivity in her. She is a child with a creative mind who believes in reflecting on herself.

Mr. I.K. Dash



VIEW POINTS Devi has been a decent

personality with a touch of

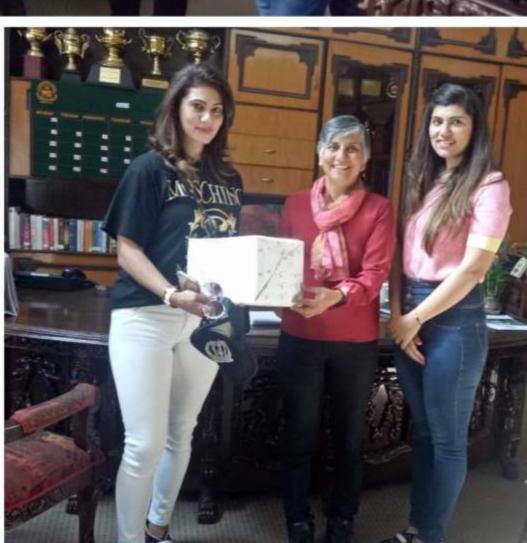
feminity, humility and modesty, a dependable person who always has a sense of resposibility with





































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