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# Expressions

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## Holi Celebration



A festival of colours, a festival of joy, a festival of happiness! Here are a few pictures of the all-inclusive environment and vibrant cultural spirit of KASIGANS of all nationalities enjoying the Holi festivities.

## P.P.S.A Progressive School's Association



The Principals Progressive Schools' Association (PPSA), Uttarakhand in collaboration with Times of India, had organized a two days International Conference for Principals' and Teachers' of distinguished schools at Pestle Weed College.

The Association felicitated distinguished Educationists, Principals and Teachers at the conference. It gives us pleasure to share that Our Head of School, Ms Sonali Sinha has been awarded the prestigious Uttarakhand Ratan Award by the Association.



## P.C Batta Memorial Inter-School Cricket Tournament



The closing ceremony of the tournament had all the ingredients of a thrilling and exhilarating finale. At one point of time it was raining runs due to the commendable batting of the batsmen whose agenda seemed to win the rolling trophy. The Chief Guest for the event, Mr. S.A Murugesan, IAS, District Magistrate, Dehradun was all praise for the picturesque beauty of Kasiga School nestled against the background of the majestic mountains. He complimented both the teams for their commitment, endurance and camaraderie which one witnessed both on and off the field. The tournament provided everything that one could have possibly asked for—excitement, thrill, adrenalin rush, stiff competition, nerve wracking moments and to top it all, a feeling of mutual respect and admiration. The manner in which the tournament was played brought to the fore the underlying principle that the spirit of the game lies in the camaraderie it fosters.

## Univariety Launch



Kasiga School has recently tied up with Univariety, a recognised agency for Career Guidance and Counselling. The session started with an introductory presentation highlighting the objectives and functioning of Univariety. This will give a platform to Kasigans to prepare for academic, career and social challenges by relating educational agendas to their success in the future. The objective is to make Kasigans motivated learners and facilitate their exploration of careers.

## Excursions



As soon as the exams came to an end, the school arranged excursions in collaboration with Alternatetlas and Inme Learning Pvt Ltd, for all the classes to different places according to their capabilities.



The school arranges such trips so that the students can refresh their minds, learn different cultures and explore the world to its best. The groups trekked to places like Nag Tibba, Dayara Bugyal, Oratha, Dugadda and Snow Leopard.

## Orientation Day



The campus was abuzz with a flurry of activities organized to familiarize the new students with life at Kasiga- a home away from home, a school that believes in developing the potential of each student in a harmonious manner.

This was followed by a formal introduction of all the staff members with the parent community. The floor was then left open to the queries of parents that were fielded by the Head of School, the Deputy Head Pastoral

and Deputy Head Academics.

After a sumptuous lunch, the parents took leave, bidding adieu to their children, assigning them under the care of the House Masters and Wardens. The Student Council with the assistance of some students took charge by engaging the new students in the ice-breaking session. This included a number of games and activities, all organized by the students, under the able guidance of their teachers. By the end of the session, the new students had smoothly blended into the Kasiga fold and felt comfortable in the new environs. They were seen cracking jokes and sharing congenial camaraderie with other students and staff members.

### Cross Country

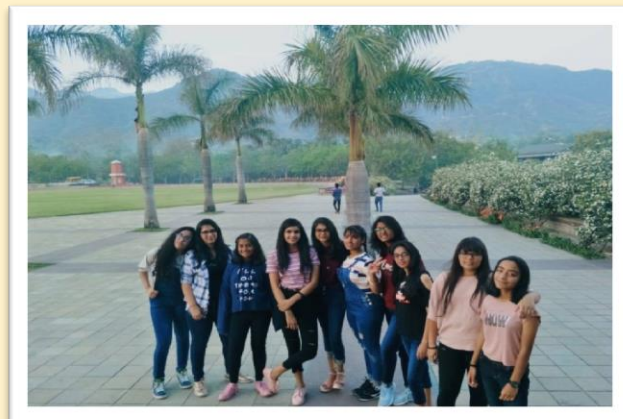


All students and staff of Kasiga School woke up to a cool and pleasant morning to be a part of the Annual Cross Country. A large number of students from all the four Houses lined up wearing their House colours to add cheer and a vibrant spirit to the occasion.

The race was flagged off by the Head of School, Mrs. Sonali Sinha, who herself participated in the 2 km run. The students made a flying start to cover the route which had been marked a day prior and was manned by various staff members. The students, infused by the House spirit, continued to run with the goal of out-doing the other and reach the finish line as soon as possible. The energy with which the new students participated in the race was especially noteworthy.

It was indeed a very energetic start to the day. All students were seen bouncing with happiness and enthusiasm.

### Jam Session



It gave our new students a chance to mingle with their fellow students and marked the perfect start to an amazing year ahead. These snippets sum up how much fun it was!

### Trip to Benog Tibba



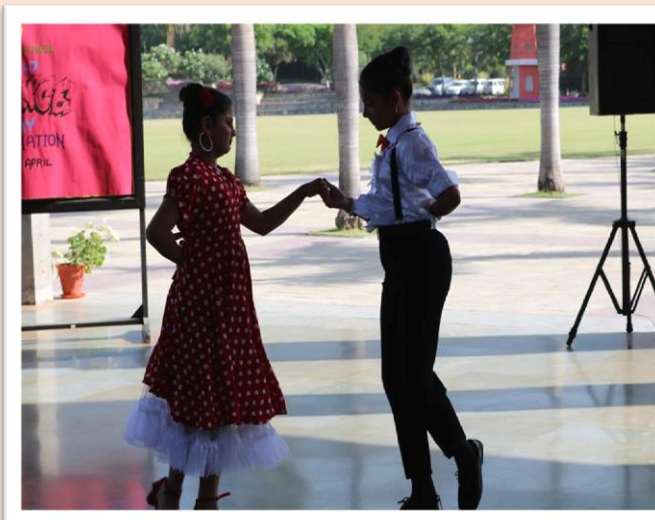
A trip to Benog Tibba was organized by the school for the new students so that they could get along together and learn the basics of a boarding. The trek lasted for three days and two nights.



## World Scholar's Cup

The World Scholar's Cup 2019-20 was held at Unison World School. 10 schools from all over India took part in the competition. On the first day there were three events – Team Debate, Collaborative Writing and MCQ's. The second day started with the Scholar's Bowl followed by the Prize Distribution Ceremony. It was a good experience and it helped us attain life skills for future.

## World Dance Day:



'World Dance Day' was celebrated in the school premises with great enthusiasm. The day is celebrated on 29th April to mark the birth anniversary of Jean Georges Noverre, the creator of modern ballet. The staff and students were present to witness the beautiful dance forms from the countries across the globe.

## Inter House Science Quiz:

An exciting Inter-house Junior/Middle School Science Quiz competition was held in the month of April 2019. It was graced by the Head of School, Ms. Sonali Sinha. Ms. Parul was the quiz master along with other teachers from the science department. The questions put forth to the teams were intriguing, exciting and made the audience applaud excitedly when the teams answered correctly.

Sambuddha De, Krishh Bhasin, Utkarsh and Om Agarwal of Amazon House won the first position with 50 points while Mansi Sharma, Ayushi Pharasi, Vedant Bajaj and Kumar Labh from Pacific House bagged the second position with 35 points followed by Agamjot Singh, Ryan Gupta, Tanvi and Rishima Pundir from Nile House stood at the third position with 25 points.

## Gen Next universities visit



An informative session by Gen Next Education was organised for students of Grade XI and XII (CBSE and AS level). The representatives from four universities and one college from the States were a part of this session. The students had a group session and one to one interaction with the team. The students solved their queries on scholarships and requisitions for different universities and colleges.



### Earth Day celebrations: CLEAN UP DRIVE



The students of Kasiga School celebrated the "Earth Day 2019" with a lot of enthusiasm and spirit of social responsibility. The students participated in a "Clean up Drive" at Old Mussoorie road. This drive was done in collaboration with Waste Warriors and the Earth Day network.

### Labour Day Celebrations



The International Workers' Day, also called Labour Day, was celebrated at the school with full zeal. The Principal Ms. Sonali Sinha, congratulated the workers and thanked them for their selfless services. The Principal also felicitated workers of the school for commendable service. In her address, the Principal acknowledged the contributions of the work force of the school, and, lauded their ceaseless efforts for the welfare of the students.

### Grade 12 commendable results



Our heartiest congratulations to Kāsigans who brought laurels to their alma mater with their astounding performance in the Grade XII CBSE Board Examination, 2019. We are immensely proud of all of them. Here are a few students who have excelled in various streams:

Madiha Islam topped the Humanities Stream with 97%

Kumaraditya Gupta topped the Science Stream with 96.25%

Yash Kundalia was the topper in Commerce Stream with 96%

Ikleen Kohli secured 100% in Political Science with an aggregate of 91.7%

Ankisha Kumari secured 97% in Computer Studies with an aggregate of 93.5%

### Grade 10 does exceptionally well



Kāsiga School Grade X students have given a brilliant performance in their CBSE Board Examination, 2019.

The topper of the class is Priyanshu Raghav with 94.4% followed by Adheesh Vibhuti with 92%, Shrestha Gupta with 91.8% and Eshaan Marvania with 90%.

Overall 36 Kāsigans scored above 90% in various subjects.

We congratulate all our students and are immensely proud of them.

## Standardized Tests:



A workshop on Standardized Tests like the SAT/ACT/TOEFL and IELTS was conducted for the students of Grade XI (CBSE and CAIE) by Ms Preet of Manya - Princeton Review.

The session started with an introductory Power point Presentation highlighting the key requirements for admission abroad and within the country.

Over all it was an interactive session. All students participated well and asked questions leading to knowledge enhancement.

## Paryavaran Rakshak Award:



Kasiga School was awarded the 'Paryavaran Rakshak' award from the GRIHA council (Green Rating for Integrated Habitat Assessment). The award was presented by Dr Ajay Mathur, Director General – The Energy and Research Institute (TERI). TERI has developed GRIHA, which was adopted as the national rating system for green buildings by the Government of India in 2007. Kasiga school has been recognised for outstanding work in the field of environment & sustainability.

## Summer sports Camp



In an endeavour to focus on the physical & mental fitness of the child, Kasiga kicked off its Summer Sports Camp in the school premises. The camp includes exciting sports such as Cricket, Basketball, Soccer, Tennis, Table Tennis, Shooting, Swimming and Athletics under the guidance and expertise of the following renowned coaches -

For Cricket - Dronacharya Award Winner, Mr. Raj Kumar (former coach of Mr. Virat Kohli), and his team of West Delhi Cricket Academy  
 For Athletics - Mr. V.K. Verma, NIS Chief Coach  
 For Soccer – Flavio Raffo - UEFA-PRO Football coach & Ex-coach of AC- Millan FC, Italy  
 For Basketball – Shiba Magoon, National Basketball Coach  
 For Swimming – Tahrina Nasrin, National Swimmer  
 For Table-Tennis – Prince, Ex-NIS Instructor  
 For Shooting – Muneer Ahmed, National Shooter  
 For Tennis - Coaches from the famous Mahesh Bhupathi Tennis Academy

## Career Fair @ Kasiga



The process of selection of college post schooling is a tricky one. The numerous considerations that need to be made, ranging from selectivity to finances make the process a daunting one. To help students tackle this hurdle, the Career Cell of Kasiga School organized a Careers Fair in collaboration with the ICAE(International Centre for the Advancement of Education). Universities from abroad and India put up kiosks and gave out brochures and detailed information about their admission procedures, scholarships etc. Thirteen top universities, both Indian and foreign, participated in the fair. The foreign universities represented were the University of Victoria (Canada), University of Ottawa (Canada), Instituto Marangoni (Milan-London-Paris), SP Jain School of Global Management (Dubai), Middlesex University (Dubai Campus), Swiss Education, Ecole Hoteliere de Lausanne (Switzerland), Singapore Institute of Management. The elite Indian Universities which participated were Ashoka University (India), OP Jindal University (India), ISBF (India) and IIAD (India) to name a few. The representatives from these universities interacted with students and informed them about higher education opportunities available in their university in particular, and their country in general.

## Inter House English Events



The English Inter-House Events comprised of extempore 'Just A Minute' for Middle School and Debate for the Senior School. Students participated enthusiastically in these events and the excitement was palpable even amongst the audience. The judges for the occasion were the Head of School Mrs Sonali Sinha, The Deputy Head Pastoral Mr Chandra Shekhar Yadav and the Deputy Head Academics Mr Jose Tom.



They were judged on their Content, Clarity, Confidence and Creativity. It was interesting to watch the participants as they put the best of their oratory skills forward and tried to out-do each other.

## High tea for new students



The Head of School organized High Tea for all the new students at her residence. The purpose of this get together was to find out their interests and help them to settle down in the atmosphere of their new school. The senior children shared a presentation on admission and the juniors shared their experience and feedback on their settling down in the new environment. The event was thoroughly enjoyed by all the students.

## SPECTRUM (Junior art competition)

Inter school junior art competition was held at Unison world school. Sambudh De of our school won the 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize.

## CONOSCENZA'19

A cultural fest was organized at Ecole Globale School. Our Kasigans –Rishit Raj won 2nd Prize in still art, Krishna Dev and Adheesh Vibhuti won 1<sup>st</sup> prize in Meme, Radio Gaga won 2<sup>nd</sup> prize in Stand up Comedy and Gaurvika Arora won 1st prize in Capture Photography.

## CAIE Results



The management, staff and members of Kāsiga family congratulate the toppers of the March 2019 Series Cambridge Examinations. We wish them even greater heights of success in the future.

**Ayush Malhotra**

IGCSE Topper (2 A\* & 7 A), Top scorer – Chemistry (A), Design & Technology (A), Hindi (A), Computer Science (A\*), Physics (A\*)

**Shreesh Khadka**

IGCSE Topper (2 A\* & 3 A) Top scorer – Chemistry (A), Biology (A\*)

**Safal Pokharel**

IGCSE Topper (2 A\* & 3 A) Top scorer – Additional Mathematics (A) & Spanish (A\*)

**Siddhanth Bhatt**

IGCSE Topper (3 A\* & 1 A) Top scorer – Biology (A\*), Extended Mathematics (A)

## XENOTRON'19 (IT Fest)

An inter school IT fest was organised by Indian Public School. Kasigans- Prateek Bhalotia won 2<sup>nd</sup> prize in Coding , Yash Raj and Kartik Dhiman won 2<sup>nd</sup> prize in Iron works.

## Closing Ceremony – Summer Sports Camp



The closing ceremony of Sports Camp (9th May - 17th May) was a special event. It started with the arrival of Mr. Raj Kumar Sharma, Dronacharya Awardee under whose stewardship Virat Kohli morphed into a world class batsman. The dignitaries who graced the occasion were the Chairman Mr.Ramesh Batta and Director Finance- Mr.Siddharth Batta .They inspired the students and awarded them with different titles, marking their outstanding performance in sports.