

EXPRESSIONS

Kasiga School, Dehradun

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FROM THE DESK OF THE EDITORIAL BOARD

Our school's newsletter "Expressions" is an initiative that takes our readers through a small journey consisting of all the different activities and events that take place over a course of 3 months.

We use insightful reports written by students to show glimpses of Kasiga.

The whole newsletter is a student body effort, from pictures to write-ups. We do this in the hope to keep you well informed about the lives of the Kasiga family.

KASIGA STUDENTS CROSSWORD IT AT CRYPTIC CROSSWORD

Two students of Kasiga School- Divyansh Veer Singh (IGCSE Year 2) and Sakshi Goyal (AS Level) took part in the CRYPTIC CROSSWORD Contest. The competition was conducted online by Manav Bharti International School on 25th July 2021. The students were assigned crossword puzzles to be solved in a stipulated time.



ENGLISH DEPARTMENT HOLDS SPECIAL INDEPENDENCE DAY ESSAY WRITING COMPETITION

Our English Department conducted an intra-school Essay Writing Competition on the 5 August 2021, for the students of Grade XI and XII (CBSE and CAIE). This was an Independence Day special event and the students were assigned topics- Echo of Independence/ Fairness in Freedom. The winners of the same were:

- First Position- Akshat Sanwal- PACIFIC HOUSE
- Second Position- Ella Ngente- AMAZON HOUSE
- Third Position- Shriyam Tiwari- AMAZON HOUSE

Kasiga School conducts English Week

“A speaker should approach his preparation not by what he wants to say, but by what he wants to learn.”- Todd Stocker

The school hosted English Week from 26 July- 31 July 2021. The students from classes V to XII and the CAIE wing zealously participated in the activities, such as **Aliens’ Array, Ad-mad, Archival Archers, A Picture Is Worth A Thousand Words, Film Critiquing**, that were conducted by the English Department for them. The results for the English Week were as follows:

- Film Critiquing- Grade XI and XII (CBSE and CAIE)
Winners- Akshat Sanwal (XII) and Sakshi Goyal (AS Level)
- Archival Archers- Grade IX and X (CBSE and CAIE)
Winners- Sejal Gupta (IX) and Pratihtha Agarwal (X)
- A Picture Is Worth A Thousand Words- Grade VIII
Winner- Yojana Panthee
- AD-MAD - Grade VII
Winner- Yukta Mandal
- Alien’s Array- Grade V and VI
Winners- Ishana Roy (V) and Abhishek Kumar (VI)



SAKSHI GOYAL, CLEARS STATE-LEVEL SPELLBEE TAKING OVER HUNDREDS OF STUDENTS

We are extremely pleased to share that one of our students, Sakshi Goyal successfully cleared the State Level for the SpellBee International with achievement in distinction and has now qualified for the SpellBee National Level.

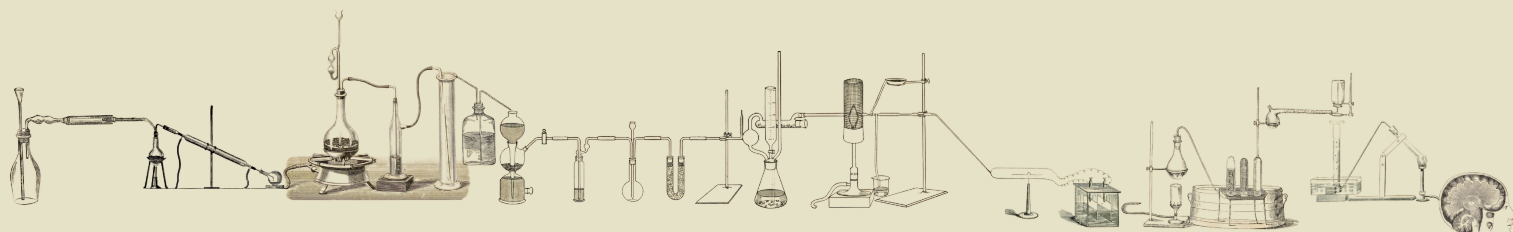
STUDENTS SHOW FILM CRITIQUING SKILLS AT SILVER FIESTA

“CINEMA IS MAGIC IN THE SERVICE OF DREAMS”- DJIBRIL DIOP MAMBETY

GD Goenka World School conducted the inter-school film critiquing competition- SILVER FIESTA, online on August 14, 2021.

Three of our students- Akshat Sanwal (Grade XII), Panna Tyagi (AS Level) and Sakshi Goyal (AS Level) took part in the competition wherein they were shown a Hollywood film- A Beautiful Day In The Neighborhood directed by Marielle Heller.

The students then had to review it critically analysing the details with utmost precision.



KASIGA SCHOOL DOES SCIENTASTIC AT SCIENAMITE

GD Goenka World School conducted an inter-school online competition called SCIENAMITE on 18th August 2021. The competition had two parts namely, Quiz Competition and a Research Paper Presentation.

Arjun Agarwal (XC), Agamjot Singh (XC) and Divyansh Veer Singh (XC) participated in the Quiz Competition while, Shriyam Tiwari (XII) and Pavitr Agarwal (XI) presented a Research Paper on- “Effect of electric cars and fossil fuel cars in terms of carbon dioxide emissions in the USA”.

INTER-HOUSE SCIENCE QUIZ AT KASIGA SCHOOL

The Science Department conducted an online inter-house science quiz on 6 August 2021. The quiz was organized at three levels- junior, middle and senior school. The results of the competition were as follows-

Junior School-

First Position- EVEREST HOUSE; Ishana Roy
second Position- NILE HOUSE; Vridhi Bhatnagar
Third Position- AMAZON HOUSE; Bhavya Gupta

Middle School-

First Position- AMAZON HOUSE; Pannawit, Shaurya Gupta, Sambuddha De and Gundala Nithya Shree
Second Position- PACIFIC HOUSE ; Yojana Panthee, Arshlan Khan, Ronik Singh and Utsav Swaroop
Third Position- EVEREST HOUSE; Preeya Patel, Shagun Balodi, Saksham Ahlawat and Gundapa Nirup Rayudu

Senior School-

First Position- AMAZON HOUSE; Puttipong, Sakshi Goyal, Ammar Alam Khan and Bipin Nandan
Second Position- EVEREST HOUSE; Riddhi Dewan, Neerag Basnet, Harshit Raj Dayal and Abhigyan
Third Position- NILE HOUSE; Archie Chaurasia, Ayushi Pharasi, Himang and Urvi Bhatnagar

Whereas, our overall results were as follows-

First Position- EVEREST HOUSE
Second Position- AMAZON HOUSE
Third Position- NILE HOUSE

MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT CONDUCTS MATHS WEEK

The Mathematics Department organized mathematics week from 21st July 2021-24th July 2021, the activities conducted were video graphing a mathematical activity and a mathematical and logical quiz. The events were organized into 4 groups; Group 1 (Grade 5&6), Group 2 (Grade 7&8), Group 3 (Grade 9&10) and Group 4 (Grade 11&12).

The results for the video graphing activity are as follows-



Junior & Middle Category:

First Position- Yukta Mandal (VII)
Second Position- Yojana Panthee (VIII)
Third Position- Nitya (VI)

Senior Category:

First Position- Sakshi Goyal (AS Level)
Second Position- Sidhi Dewan (AS Level)

And the results for the Mathematics Quiz are as follows-

Group 1:

First Position- Vridhi Bhatnagar (V) and Yash Kumar (VI)
Second Position- Abhishek Kumar (VI) and Nitya (VI)
Third Position- Nirup (VI)



Group 2:

First Position- Jagrit (VIII)
Second Position- Abhinav Anand (VIII) and Jayadita Sisodiya (VII)
Third Position- Shagun Balodi (VIII) and Raghubir Samarth (VII)

Group 3:

First Position- Agamjot Singh (IGCSE year 2) and Mahi Tyagi (X)
Second Position- Divyansh Veer Singh (IGCSE year 2)
Third Position- Nishtha Pathak (X) and Pratishtha Agarwal (X)

Group 4:

First Position- Puttipong (A Level)
Second Position- Akshat Sanwal (XII), Prisha Meswani (A Level), Uday Choudhary (A Level) and Ashna Vohra (AS Level)
Third Position- Ridhi Dewan (XII), Shriyam Tiwari (XII) and Aayush Agarwal (A Level)

KASIGA PARTICIPATES IN XPONENTIA'2021

Unison World School, Dehradun conducted an online inter-school Mathematics Competition on 11th August 2021. Four students participated in the competition, namely- Divyansh Veer Singh (IGCSE Year 2), Pavitr Agarwal (XI), Shriyam Tiwari (XII) and Akshat Sanwal (XII). The team reached up to the fourth round of the competition.



KĀSIGA SCHOOL
DEHRADUN

• KNOWLEDGE • STRENGTH • COMPASSION

Congratulations
CBSE Toppers 2021
(CLASS X)



Pavitr Agarwal
94.8%



Sakshi Goyal
94%



Kushagrah Milan
91.6%



Aditya Singh
90%

CBSE RESULT

Kāsiga School is proud of its students' sterling performance in the Grade X- CBSE Board Examination, 2021.

29 % of students achieved above 85 %

33% students scored 90% and above in Social Science

20 % of students achieved above 90% marks in various subjects.

The management and staff congratulated all the students for an excellent result and an exuberant performance.

Congratulations
CBSE Achievers 2021
(CLASS XII)



Adheesh Aditya Vibhuti
Commerce 97%



Aditya Bhatia
Commerce 97%



Eshaan Marvania
Science 92%



Parth Kandhari
Commerce 92%



Nischay Joshi
Commerce 92%



Priyanshu Raghav
Commerce 92%



Yash Raj Banka
Commerce 91%

"THE WILL TO WIN,
THE DESIRE TO
SUCCEED, THE URGE
TO REACH YOUR FULL
POTENTIAL, THESE
ARE THE KEYS THAT
WILL UNLOCK THE
DOOR TO PERSONAL
EXCELLENCE."
CONFUCIUS

Kāsiga School students brought laurels to their alma mater with their astounding performance in the Grade XII CBSE Board Examination, 2021.

- 20 % students achieved above 90% in aggregate.
- 70 students achieved above 90% marks in various subjects

The management and staff congratulate all the students for an excellent result and an exuberant performance across all the streams.

Congratulations
CBSE Toppers 2021
(CLASS XII)



Vansh Agarwal
Commerce 97.8%



Richa Roy
Science 92.6%



Samanir Imchen
Humanities 92%

IGCSE AND A LEVEL RESULTS



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Cambridge Assessment International Education
March 2021 Series Toppers

HEARTIEST CONGRATULATIONS!



Naina Agarwal
A Levels (2 A*s)
A* (Advanced Level Physics) – Top Scorer
A* (Advanced Level Mathematics) – Top Scorer



Ayush Malhotra
A Levels (1 A*, 1 A)
A* (Advanced Level Business) – Top Scorer
A (Advanced Level Economics) – Top Scorer



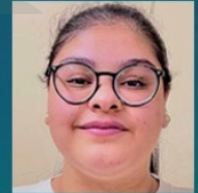
Shreesh Khadka
Advanced Levels (1 A*, 1 A)
A* (Advanced Level Physics)
A (Advanced Level Mathematics)



Ashna Vohra
IGCSE Topper (1 A*, 3 A's)
Top Scorer – Business Studies, Combined Science, Economics & Mathematics



Harshit Dalal
IGCSE (1 A*, 2 A's)
Top Scorer – Accounting, Hindi & Mathematics



Panna Tyagi
IGCSE (3 A's)
IGCSE Top scorer – Biology

The management, staff, and members of the Kāsiga family congratulate the school toppers of the March 2021 Series. You have made us proud with your sincerity and determination. Wishing you greater heights of success in the future.

“SPECTRUM” Art Competition 2021-22

Five of our A level students, Uday Choudhary, Khushi Gupta, Prakarsha, Karthik Dhiman, and Yusuf Naseem, participated in “SPECTRUM” Art Competition 2021-22, an Inter school Art competition held by Unison school, on the 30th of August 2021, under the supervision of the head of the department, Mr. Sataban Sarkar.

Intra- school Poster making Competition 2021-22

Kasiga School conducted an Intra school Poster making competition on the occasion of Independence Day, on 15th August 2021, with the language and visual dept. Where middle school art students (students of grade 5 to 8) took part in poster making events. Our star performers are- Tanay Agarwal (grade 8), Nitya Gundala (grade 6), Nirup (grade 6), and Yojna Panthee (grade 8). Tanay Agarwal's Artwork got selected and displayed on the school website.

HARMONIC 2021

Unison World School, Dehradun conducted the Harmonic 2021, various musical and dance activities were performed by multiple schools, from 12th - 23rd August 2021. Chaitanya Manohar of Kasiga from grade 12, sang Ray of Hope (Parody Song). Mr Shailendra Rawat and Farha SD are the capable teachers who took responsibility for the student representing Kasiga.

CAREER COUNSELLING SESSION BY ASHOKA UNIVERSITY FOR SENIOR STUDENTS

The Career Counselling Department of Kasiga School on the 26th July 2021, organized a career counselling webinar which provided the senior school students with an in-depth knowledge about liberal education in India with Ashoka University.

Kasiga school celebrates 14th Founders Day

On 17 July our school celebrated the glorious occasion of our 14th Founders' Day. Our students and teachers, virtually, commemorated the legacy of this glorious institution.

INDIA INNOVATION CHALLENGE

Two of our students, Sakshi Goyal and Panna Tyagi participated in the INDIA INNOVATION CHALLENGE, held by Sydney University from 1 August 2021 to 31 August 2021. The students had to submit a 3-minute video to showcase how their project would help champion 'Climate Action' in day-to-day life for positive change. The students presented an idea called "EMISSION CHECK TAGS".

POCSO workshop conducted for Junior and Middle School

Our school counsellor, Mr, Sushil Emmanuel, as a part of the life enrichment programme conducted a POCSO awareness session for the junior and middle school students on protection of children from sexual offences. The main objective was to educate students about physical and emotional abuse, safe and unsafe touch and Internet Security.

KASIGA SCHOOL STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN THE "CODE INDIA CODE" WORKSHOP

Five of our students : Ridhi Dewan, Shriyam Singh Tiwari, Riddhima Gautam, Akshat Sanwal and Richa Roy, Participated in a free online coding Certificate workshop "CODE INDIA CODE" from the 29 May - 4 July organised by the Indian Institute of Technology, Bhubaneswar. The students made a one-minute video on their learning from the workshop.

EDUCATION ICON OF THE YEAR 2021

It gives us immense pleasure to inform everyone that our Chairman, Mr. Ramesh Batta has been selected as "THE EDUCATION ICON OF THE YEAR 2021" by the esteemed panel of jury of Education Today. He has been bestowed with this honor for his exemplary contribution, sincerity, dedication & hard work in the field of education. We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate you sir, on your achievement.

Digital Literacy Boot Camp

Kasigans attended a digital literacy boot camp where students were made aware about the threats and risks they may come across while being online. They were also educated about tips on being safe online.

SOCIAL SCIENCE WEEK

The social science department conducted social science week with activities such as; assemblies with lesser known stories from the Indian Independence struggle, quizzes for middle school and collage/poster making for junior school, from 9 to 14 August, 2021. All of the activities were held online.

Vridhi Bhatnagar (5), Ishana Roy (5), Yashvardhan Chaudhary (5) and Anushka Pharasi (7) took part in the assembly. Grade 8 students took part in the quiz, and its results are as follows:

First Position- PACIFIC HOUSE; Arshlan Khan

second Position- EVEREST HOUSE; Ismet Zehra

Third Position- NILE HOUSE; Vrajraj

CROSS COUNTRY

Embrace the mud, the dirt, and the grit. You're one with the mud.

On the drizzling morning of Thursday, 30 September, over 150 students of Kasiga School came together to compete in the Annual Cross-Country event through the tranquil trails against the unique and stunning hilly setting of Purkul Village; over the river and through the wood: and another river, and more hills. 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.

Divyansh Veer Singh finished First by completing an 8 kilometers run in 21 minutes 40 seconds in the Senior boys category. Karma ran 4 kilometers in 15:41 seconds and secured the First position among junior boys. Maithili Arora stood First among senior girls and Mahima Tyagi won the race among junior girls. The event saw a superb set of performances, with Everest House taking the win ahead of the other three houses.



अंतस्सदनीय हिन्दी काव्य-पाठ प्रततयोगिता

दिनांक ३० जुलाई २०२१ को कासीगा विद्यालय में अंतस्सिनीय दिनी काव्य-पाठ प्रततयोगिता का आनलाइन आयोजन ककया गया। यि प्रततयोगिता कतनष्ठ, मध्यम रिष्ठ तीन गिों में आयोजजत की गई। तीनों गिों में छात्रों ने उम्मी से अच्छी प्रस्तुतत गिी टीम्स पि आयोजजत इस प्रततयोगिता में कतनष्ठ गिग में नाइल सदन से वदूगि भटनिर, मध्यम विग में नाइल सदन से तनय तथा वररष्ठ विग से एवरेस्ट सदन से तनष्ठा ने प्रथम स्थान प्राप्त ककया। प्रततयोगिता में नाइल सिन ने प्रथम स्थान प्राप्त कि ट्रॉफी पि कब्जा ककया। छात्रों ने गिीसे की कविताओं से मिौल को शिभजततमय बना दिया। कक्षा 10 की प्रततष्ठा अग्रिल ने मांच का सांचालन ककया। कायगक्रम की सांयोजजका तथा दिां विभागाध्यक्षा डॉ नूतन स्मृत ने परिणामों की घोषणा की तथा डिगलग सजृष्ट जायसिल ने धान्िया जावपत ककया। इस अिसि पि छात्रों के उत्साहधिगनाथग सम्पूणग दिनी विभाग के साथ जूतनयि मिमडडल स्कूल काडडनग टि श्रीमती के गिलोइन गिल्लैल कायगकिी विद्यालय-प्रमुख श्री सुनील जैन भी उपजस्थत गिी कायगक्रम संयोजिका - डॉ नूतन स्मृत

हिंदी तनबंध एवं स्लोन लेखन प्रततयोगिता स्तिन्त्रता गििस के अिसि पि कासीगा विद्यालय में दिां तनबंध लेखन गिी स्लोगन लेखन प्रततयोगिता का आयोजन ककया गया। यि प्रततयोगिता रिष्ठ गिग के गिी उपिगों में आयोजजत की गई ताकक छात्र अगधकागधक सांख्या में भाग ले सकें। गिी गिों में छात्रों ने उम्मी से अच्छी प्रस्तुतत गिी परिणाम इस प्रकिा गिी - तनबंध-लेखन प्रततयोगिता [कक्षा ११ गि १२] रिद्ध गिीनि- प्रथम स्थान रिद्धमा गौतम गिी साक्षी गोयल - द्वितीय स्थान पवित्र अगिल - तृतीय स्थान गिी निा लेखन प्रततयोगिता [कक्षा ९ गि १०] प्रततष्ठा अगिल - प्रथम स्थान गिी त्यागी - द्वितीय स्थान अरुनि कुमिा वप्रन्स - तृतीय स्थान सांत्वना पुरस्कार - अभभज्ञान तथा गिीान खान कायगक्रम संयोजिका - डॉ नूतन स्मृत

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दिनांक १३ अगस्त २०२१ को कासीगा विद्यालय छात्रों ने अंतर्विगद्यालय दिनी गिी-गिी प्रततयोगिता का आनलाइन आयोजन ककया गया। श्रीराम सेंटतनयर स्कूल, दिरादनू द्गिी आयोजजत एस प्रततयोगिता में लगभग २० स्कूलों ने प्रततभाग ककया औ आततथेय विद्यालय को गिी प्रथम स्थान प्राप्त गुओ। कासीगा स्कूल की आयुषी फरासी (१०अ) तथा उवी भटनिर (९अ) ने अच्छा प्रिशनग ककया लेककन ककसी भी पुस्किा से गिीचत गिी कायगक्रम संयोजिका - डॉ नूतन स्मृत



CAMBRIDGE CHECKPOINT PREPARATION



A Cambridge education prepares students for life, helping them develop an informed curiosity and a lasting passion for learning. The students of grade 8 have been studying and preparing for the Cambridge Checkpoint. The students will be tested on their knowledge in English, Science and Maths. They enjoy being mentored by faculty at Kasiga while they discover an education that gives students the skills they need for life, helping them achieve at school, university and work.





EDITORIAL BOARD IN CONVERSATION WITH THE NEW HEAD OF SCHOOL- DR. RAJPUT SURENDRA SINGH.



1. What's your vision for the school in the next three months?

Ans: My vision for the next few months is to establish a school that is self-disciplined, cultured and runs on systems, where people are passionate, and I shall achieve it by demonstrating it.

2. What are your expectations from the students?

Ans: I expect each student to be receptive, signifying the mindset of being a disciple in a real sense. This is what I rationally and philosophically expect from the students.

If you can follow the path of discipline, there is no stopping for you.

3. How has your experience at Kasiga been till now?

Ans: So far so good! I am glad to be a part of the Kasiga family. I interpret everything with an optimistic approach and therefore my experience at Kasiga will always be good.

4. How would you like to work for the student council?

Ans: I would love to work with everybody including the student council. My endeavour would be to instil the ethics of standing up for what is right.

5. From your point of view, what is the significance of physical health in education?

Ans: The significance of health extends to all aspects of human life. It allows one to sit for long hours and stay flexible. The feeling "I am fit" itself is a booster to take anything head-on, which gives you a mindset of a winner. It enhances your self-esteem. If you focus on your fitness, you attain vitality, willpower and enormous other benefits.

6. How was your school life, what kind of a student were you?

Ans: I take pride in saying that my upbringing was Being a product of a missionary school, I have been strongly impacted by the values of dedication, simplicity, service and commitment. Grade 11 saw a transformation in my personality as a result of a divine intervention in my life. This was an onset of a brilliant academic journey. I began to excel, and the trend has continued since then. My father is a strong influence on my life in terms of instilling discipline and endurance. He emphatically inculcated the values of respecting women and staying chivalrous.

Being a Rajput, I feel connected to soil. We never ate junk food. I tasted Maggi in the year 2005 (laughs).

I was exceptionally fit and did outstandingly well at sports.



7. Which existing practices in the system do you appreciate here, at Kasiga?

Ans: I appreciate cleanliness, the Kasiga community is very caring, the teaching culture and the love and affection teachers shower on the students. The helping staff is very respectful towards everyone.

8. Did you always want to become an educator?

Ans. My father and grandfather were in the army. Quite intrigued and inspired by their lives, I always wanted to be in the armed forces. The life of a soldier always inspires me.

I have been a group commander with National Cadet Corps.

As far as teaching goes, I discovered a teacher in me when in class eleven, I taught chemistry to class ten with ease. I picked up teaching during my college days and it became my passion and profession.

9. What is your motto in life or some words that you live by?

Ans. The motto of my life is 'Have a strong mind and a soft heart'. I try to live by some more guiding principles like leading by example, respecting others and staying grounded.

10. Who is your role model? What are some characteristics of your role model that have influenced your personality?

Ans. My father is my role model. An early riser, he is an embodiment of tremendous will and firm resolve. I am also inspired by the life of Bhagat Singh. Sikhism philosophy of half soldier and half saint fascinates me as much. Their teaching 'Shubh karman te kabahun na daro....Nishchay kar apni jeet Karo'

11. Your top three priorities as the Principal?

Ans: To boost the academics, sports and school culture.

12. In your opinion, what role should parents and guardians play in the life of a student?

Ans: In place of playing any role per se, parenting is all about being genuine. The best way to raise children is by setting themselves as examples of what they expect.

Children imitate what they watch!

13. What have your greatest contributions been as an educator?

Ans: I have focused on low achievers and worked on them zealously with a few like-minded people. As a teacher, it is a rewarding experience to see them pick up and do well; and that's what I have earned. Even if I have given 20 good students to the country, I have made some contributions.

14. Why Kasiga?

Ans: Kasiga found and chose me! At the same time, I quote Rumi here "What you seek is seeking you". Somewhere in my heart, I must have been seeking this place and that's how I am here. (Smiles)

I think it is God's plan and there is a purpose to it. I am assigned a mission that I must accomplish.

E.B: Thank you, Sir, for your time.

Dr. Rajput: It was a pleasure speaking to you!

