Dear Friends,

Greetings from VIDYA!

This time of the year always comes with a myriad of feelings for the entire VIDYA family.

While on one hand we feel proud that our students will be taking another step forward to achieve their dreams, on the other hand bidding them farewell makes us emotional.

At VIDYA every day is festive! We realize that your busy routine does not allow you to celebrate every moment with us, but we are sure, that given a chance, you would love to rejoice in them with the warm circle of the VIDYA family. Here is a glimpse of some amazing moments from the months that have
gone by. With learnings, celebrations, victories and some farewells, February and March were cherishable months.

Happy Reading!

The Students of class XI at the VIDYA School, Gurugram organized a farewell party for the graduating batch of class XII. The amphitheater reverberated with the chatter of students exchanging fond memories of their days in school. The girls flaunting their beautiful saris and the boys in smart tuxedos was a treat for the eyes. The event witnessed scintillating performances and some heart warming speeches by our students.

At Bal Vihar too, a farewell ceremony was organized for the students of class V. All our children danced with gay abandon and shared their personal experiences. The students were also given small tokens of appreciation to take away as memoirs.

Another feather on our cap! Hurrah!

In 2017, VIDYA entered into a Public Private Partnership with the SDMC.
government, which enabled us to manage three government schools namely Police Training Station Colony, Hauzkhas and Sarvapriya Vihar. We feel proud to share that the Hauzkhas School has received the best school award (south zone) from SDMC for the academic years 2017-18.

VIDYA and University of British Columbia come together!

On 21st February, 2018, VIDYA in collaboration with the University of British Columbia (UBC) had organized a panel discussion on 'Access to Education, Empowering Women and Inclusive Prosperity'. The panel comprised of distinguished intellectuals like Professor Santa Ono, the President & Vice chancellor of UBC, Mr Anil Swarup, Secretary in the Department of School Education and Literacy, Govt. of India, and Ms Rashmi Misra, Founder Chairperson of VIDYA. The event also witnessed a heart rendering dance performance on gender equity by the students of the VIDYA School, which was followed by a speech given by Sanjana, a student of class XII. The guests were truly impressed with the aplomb with which she shared her personal experience of overcoming family pressures to acquire education.
Experiential learning is imperative for a holistic all round development of a child's personality. Creative pedagogies significantly help in enhancing children's learning outcomes and in inculcating the right values, making them productive members of a fast evolving global society. This month our children at the Okhla Community Centre learnt to make earthen pots to understand the different types of soil. They also measured the dimensions of the furniture at the centre to understand the concepts of measurement.
Paint for a cause!
#ARTAGAINSTDIRT

Cleanliness breeds creativity. A landfill behind a school should not stop this passion for creativity.

A special art and doodling workshop was conducted by Volunteer4India in collaboration with GarbageBin, for the students of the VIDYA School on the theme Swachh Bharat. The paintings were presented in a collage as a request to the Municipal Corporation of Gurugram to clear the landfill behind the Vidya School.
Women's Day Celebration

On 8th March, the International Women's day was celebrated with great vigor at VIDYA Delhi NCR. Our women from the VIDYA Mandira Margam Program from across the centers gathered together at the VIDYA School to celebrate their big day. The women were moved by Vaishali Gauba's speech on 'Power of Dreams'. An interactive workshop on menstrual hygiene was also conducted by Ms Priyanka Jain from Hygiene and You, after which menstrual cups were distributed among the women. The day culminated with music, dance, fun and frolic.
Shining Stars of VIDYA!

Aryan Lal, son of Mr. Kanhaiya Lal, a cook, joined Bal Vihar School in Nursery. In the past 6 years, Aryan has grown into an excellent orator. He has been a bright student and has always demonstrated a good understanding of different subjects. The VIDYA family is elated to share that our little hero will be pursuing his secondary studies from the Modern School, Barakhamba Road. A total of 17 students were short listed from various NGOs out of which our Aryan had scored the highest marks. He was also applauded for his behavior and communication skills.

Aman Raturih (VI), Seema Thapa (VIII) and Vishal Paudal (IX) (below L to R) of the VIDYA School, Gurugram
were recognized as school toppers in the National Aptitude Challenge organized by Times NIE and BYJU's learning app. These students were awarded with a bag and two tablets respectively for their excellent performance in the challenge.

![Image of students with awards]

Behind all these smiles is hardwork, dedication and undying passion to conquer the world.
Dear young heroes, your journey has just begun and there are miles to go before you sleep. We are proud of you all. All the best!

"For it is in giving that we receive."- Francis of Assisi

Nothing is achieved without the support of a friend, a guide and a well wisher. As we come at an end of yet another fruitful financial & academic year, we solicit your support so that we can make this year worthwhile for the VIDYA students.

We request you to kindly help us in this endeavor of ours by spreading our cause among your network. You could also visit a VIDYA centre close to you and help our deserving students to do your bit for society.
To begin with, join our campaign
'New Kit for a New Session'
and help us get stationery kits for our students.

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