

'PRINCIPALLY YOURS'

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE BAI AVABAI FRAMJI PETIT GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL

February, 2025.

Dear Parents,

February has been a month of Final exams for the senior students, and the usual "exciting" school for the rest of the students- replete with activities, as you will see for yourselves as you read through this Newsletter.

Activity for Stds. 1 and 2

Grade 1- English- Show and Tell

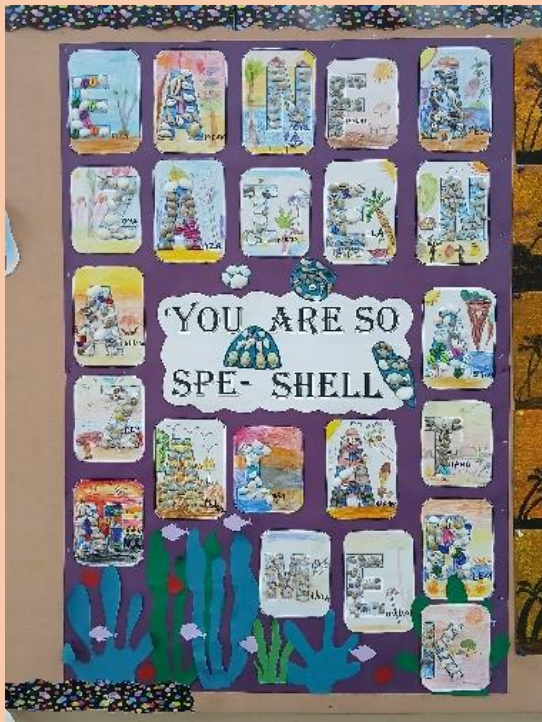
As an extended activity of the Literature Chapter, Jijo and Elly, the students of class one performed a "Show and Tell" session where they each presented animated animal movie characters. The purpose of this activity was to explore the creativity behind animated characters. Students were encouraged to share their thoughts on what makes these characters special, their roles in the movies, and real-life animal facts.

Grade 1- English- Craft Activity

An exciting craft activity was done in class as an introduction to the poem Sea Song. The initial of each child's name was handed to them, and they were instructed to stick shells on each letter. The activity was enjoyable for the kids.

Grade 2- Oral Presentation

Class two students gave an oral presentation about a National Park or Wildlife Sanctuary in India as a follow-up to the Literature Chapter on Boumoni's Banana Trees. Each of them discussed the park or sanctuary's history, notable features, or other fascinating details.



Continuing with our practice of making learning meaningful and innovative, the Science Department of the Secondary Section organised a Science Fair on Wednesday, 5th February 2025 in the School Gym, Red Hall and Marble Hall. The theme of the fair was 'Science is, ' where you let your imagination explore the myriad possibilities and avenues science ventures into while making our lives easy, comfortable, fun, interesting and safe. The students from classes V to class IX participated in the Fair where groups put up interesting exhibits showing how science is an important part of our lives. Some of the projects were conversion of pollution to ink, harnessing solar energy, the working of dialysis process etc.

The students had been working on various ideas from October under the guidance of their science teachers before picking up their final topics for the Fair. Topics were varied ranging from fun experiments on Chemistry, Physics based games and educative models on Biology. The entire school was buzzing with excitement as they visited every exhibit and learnt from it.



Safer Internet Day: Empowering Digital Citizens

On February 7, 2025, our school community came together to celebrate Safer Internet Day, a global initiative dedicated to making the internet a safer and more responsible space. Grade 7 students took on leadership roles, organizing an Awareness Drive for students in classes 3 to 6. This interactive programme focused on essential digital safety skills, including personal information protection, responsible internet usage, and digital etiquette. The initiative also explored the potential consequences of oversharing online. In addition to the Awareness Drive, our school counsellors conducted Social-Emotional Learning and Life Skills classes for students from Pre-Primary to Class 9. These engaging sessions, featuring games, presentations, and role-playing, aimed to promote digital citizenship and raise awareness about internet safety. Key topics covered included: -

- Responsible Social Media Use
- Online Etiquette
- Privacy and Security
- Online Dangers and how to seek help
- The Impact of our Digital Footprints

As we harness the internet's potential for connection, learning, and growth, we must also emphasize the importance of kindness, respect, and empathy in our online interactions. Together, we are shaping a generation of informed, thoughtful, and compassionate digital citizens who make responsible choices online. Let's continue to work together to create a safer and more responsible online community.



Pariksha Pe Charcha (PPC) 2025

Pariksha Pe Charcha (PPC) 2025, the eighth edition of the annual interactive program, was held on February 10, 2025, at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi. Prime Minister Shri. Narendra Modi interacted with students, parents, and teachers, offering valuable advice on exam stress, time management, and personal growth. He emphasized the importance of holistic well-being, including health, nutrition, and adequate rest, underscoring that a healthy body fosters a healthy mind. He also encouraged open communication from students around the country that allowed them to ask questions, making them feel heard and encouraging a culture where they can discuss concerns about studies and life. Subsequent episodes included insights from renowned personalities in the areas of Mental Health, Sports and Discipline and Technology and Finance. Our students of classes 7,8 and 9 were made to watch the live telecast to ensure that students not only excel in exams but also grow into well-rounded individuals.



Educational Field Trip to Play & Learn Indoor Theme Park

The students of Classes 1 and 2 went for an Educational Field Trip to Play & Learn Indoor Theme Park at Phoenix Market City, Kurla, on 21st February 2025. The activities at the Theme Park were creative and engaging. The children were excited and enjoyed themselves.



COOKERY PRACTICAL EXAMS- STD 9

Std 9th Cookery final practical examination was held on 11th and 12th February, 2025.

The themes were as follows.

- 1) Party cooking
- 2) Breakfast

The students had to select any one of the following themes. They were given 2 hours to prepare their dishes and lay the table.



Empowering Educators: "Handling Students At Risk" Workshop

In a bid to enhance our teaching practices and better support our students, Ms. Rameeza Khan, Head of our Skill Enhancement Department, conducted a thought-provoking interactive session on 'Handling Students At Risk' for the entire teaching staff on 22nd February, 2025. This insightful workshop facilitated a meaningful discussion among teachers, focusing on the various factors that impact a student's academic performance and strategies to address these concerns. The session emphasized the importance of Early Screening, Identification, and Intervention, as well as understanding skill gaps and exploring ways to bridge them. Teachers also deliberated on the significance of collaborative efforts with parents, fostering a Relationship-Driven Sensitive System of Support for all students.

Our dear Principal, Ms. Diana Marfatia, set the tone for the session, inspiring the staff to embrace lifelong learning and update their skills to provide the best possible support for our students. She concluded the workshop with a motivational address, encouraging teachers to become innovative designers and chefs, rather than simply following established recipes. Her emphasis on leadership skills and becoming beacons for our students left a lasting impact on the teachers. This enriching talk has empowered our teaching staff to refine their approaches, ensuring our students receive the care and support they deserve to thrive.



Field Trip to Banvan's Nature and Adventure Park

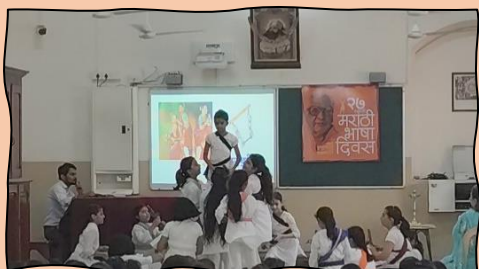
The students of Stds 3 to 6 visited Banvan's Nature and Adventure Park in Andheri on 25th February, as part of an educational field trip. The children were explained the benefits and importance of Composting. Children were shown different herbs and were explained their uses and importance. The excursion was full of enjoyment for the kids. They attempted different activities like net crawling, zip lines and archery.



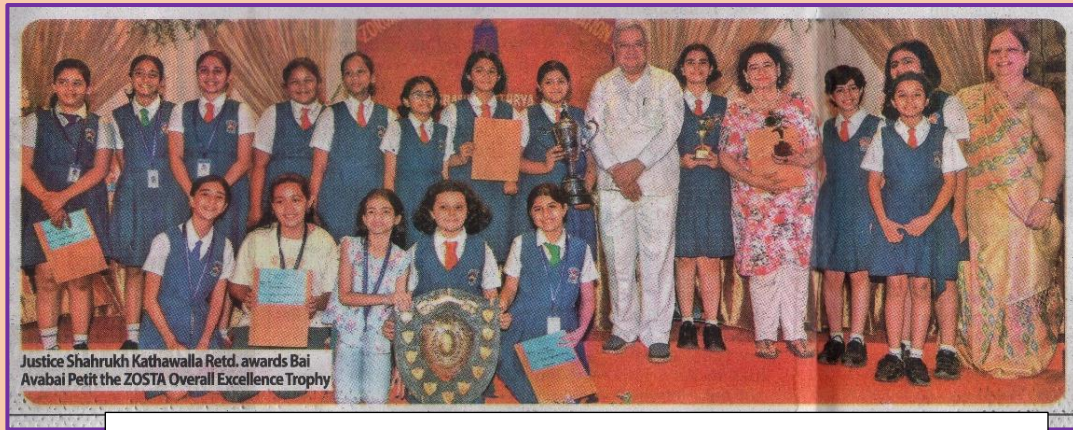
'Marathi Divas'

Every year on February 27th, Maharashtra celebrates Marathi Bhasha Gaurav Din, also known as Marathi Language Day. This day pays homage to the literary giant, Kusumagraj, and his dedication to promoting Marathi literature and social reform.

'Marathi Divas' was celebrated on 27th February, 2025 in our school from classes 3 to 6 with a variety of items put up by our school girls. It was attended by our Principal Ms. Marfatia, Ms. Marolia, Ms. Charna, Ms. Khan and Dr. Hiloo and all section teachers and students. The items put up included Lezim, Kavita vachan, Lavani, Speech, Marathi song and poems. The programme ended by our Principal giving a meaningful speech in



ACHIEVEMENTS



Justice Shaharukh Kathawalla Retd. Awards Bai Avabai Petit the ZOSTA Overall Excellence Trophy.



Zarine Basla awards two winning teachers, Dr. Pearl Hilloo and Azmin Vania



Winners of ZOSTA Parsi songs contest



Jenna Mistry, 1st prize in Story Telling, with Justice Kathawalla



ZOSTA Quiz competition 1st Prize winners from Avabai Petit

OUR STUDENTS SHINE!!!

WORLD DYSLLEXIA AWARENESS MONTH POSTER COMPETITION (WDAM) RESULTS:

In October 2024, our school celebrated World Dyslexia Awareness Month by participating in various activities. The World Dyslexia Awareness Month (WDAM) 2024 Poster Competition, organized by the Maharashtra Dyslexia Association, received active participation from 15 schools, resulting in a remarkable total of 457 unique entries. Amidst this fierce competition, our school emerged victorious by once again winning the prestigious trophy for Maximum Entries. A total of 88 talented students from our school showcased their creativity and passion by participating in the WDAM 2024 Poster Competition.

The theme, 'Share Your Story – From Challenge to Triumph,' resonated deeply with our young artists. We are thrilled to announce that our students have achieved outstanding success in the competition.

First Prize - Daeveka Dhar, 8 B

Second Prize - Ruxshin Ichhaporia, 7 A

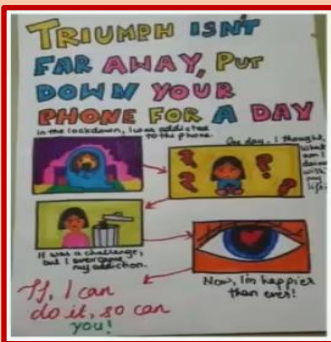
Third Prize - Hanalee Mae Piedade, 7 A

Special Merit Awards:

Sarah Shaikh, 7 B

Friyana Bhiwandiwalla, 7 A

The World Dyslexia Awareness Month Poster Competition at Bai Avabai F. Petit Girls' High School was a resounding success. This event has undoubtedly played a significant role in fostering awareness and understanding about dyslexia, encouraging inclusivity, and celebrating the creative potential within each individual.



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PRE-PRIMARY SECTION

Play school

Centre- time - Puzzles

Playschool children engaged in puzzles experience a sense of accomplishment and pride.



Outdoor Activity

Playschool children involved in group-oriented activities helping children learn to work together.



Fun at the Hockey Field

Outdoor activities involving group play, helping children develop essential social skills.



Nursery



Lower KG



Higher KG

Field Trip to the Zoo on 21st February

Children stepped out of the classroom into the animal kingdom, which engaged them in active learning and connected classroom knowledge to the real world.



Nursery



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Ms. Diana Marfatia

Principal