### FROM THE CHAIRMAN'S DESK NATIONAL PUBLIC SCHOOL, INDIRANAGAR AN OVERVIEW OF THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2021-2022

**Dear Parents** 

Greetings of the season!

We are at the conclusion of yet another academic year at NPS Indiranagar. Despite the continued challenge of the Online mode of education interspersed with occasional Offline classes, exams and practicals (for senior students), we are proud to say that our students rose to the occasion once again, and outshone themselves in both, scholastic and co scholastic fields. We are pleased to update you on some important events and achievements of the academic year 2021-22. And together let us hope, with renewed positivity, for a regular, better and productive year 2022-23.

I would, once again, like to thank you for your constant support for the school. During the challenging two years gone by, your regular and valued feedback was instrumental in the smooth flow of academic and co-scholastic events of the school. Perhaps, this turbulent time, ridden with multiple uncertainties, has made your partnership and bond with us even stronger. You have encouraged us to put in our sustained and best efforts to ensure that your ward strives to 'Reach Out, Reach High, Reach Beyond.'

The Times Education Excellence Awards 2021 help one get a glimpse of the best of educational institutions in and around Bengaluru that step up to offer stellar faculty and infrastructure. The winners were adjudged post a rigorous and detailed research based on various parameters. We are happy to announce that once again NPS, Indiranagar has made a mark. In the survey conducted by the premier newspaper organisation, The Times of India, for CBSE Curriculum and for Online Teaching, NPS Indiranagar has been ranked 2nd and 3rd respectively.

In another survey conducted by **Times School Survey Edition of 27 November 2021, National Public School Indiranagar was ranked at Number 2 among all CBSE schools of Bangalore.** Moreover, in a Zone-wise survey of CBSE schools, NPS INR enjoyed the **top spot in its Zone.** 

As a result of the pandemic Covid-19, education has undergone a paradigm shift, with the teaching-learning process being on digital platforms or in a hybrid format, to ensure the safety of all our students and staff. Despite the newness and uniqueness of the arrangement, all our students of Grades 10 and 12, of the batch of 2020-21, attained 100% results, as computed by CBSE.

# SOME ACHIEVEMENTS OF OUR STUDENTS DURING THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2021-2022:

As always, many of our students have accomplished many accolades on the national and international platforms, which we proudly announce to you.

## Batch of 2020-21: Excellent Placements in Prestigious Universities in India and Abroad

Anirudh Sathiya Narayanan	University of Massachusetts, Amherst, USA
Oishani Bandopadhyay	University of California San Diego, USA
Tejas Raja Setlur	Pratt Institute, USA
Madhav A Menon	College of Letters and Science, California, USA
Raghav Srivaths	Purdue University, USA
Luv Singhal	Singapore University of Technology and Design, Singapore
Mahee Gubbi	University of British Columbia, Canada
Yash Mathur	University college of Cork, Ireland
Kapu Nirmal Joshua	Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur
Narayani Sai Pemmaraju	Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur
Roja Lakshmi Sahoo	IIIT Hyderabad
Ruchir Mital Parekh	IIT Bombay
Nanda Rajiv	IIIT Hyderabad
Maitreya Manohar	BITS Pilani Hyderabad
Malavika Nair	BITS, Pilani Hyderabad
Sohum Datta	BITS Pilani Goa
Aaryan Garg	Bits Pilani Rajasthan
Manas Suresh	Jindal Global Law School
Arya Manoj	Jindal Global Law School
Vishnu Anand	Vellore Institute of Technology Tamil Nadu
S Anirudh	Vellore Institute of Technology Tamil Nadu
Pranav Piedy	Vellore Institute of Technology Tamil Nadu
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Our students have also taken admission in other prominent Colleges and Universities like P.E.S University, Jain University, Christ University, Ashoka University, M S Ramaiah University, Chennai Mathematical Institute etc.

#### **Award Winners in Various Contests and Events 2021-22**

- Gold and Silver Awards at the prestigious International Queen's Commonwealth Essay Competition: three of our students won these awards: Vaishnavi Karthick Prasad of Grade 10 won the Gold Award while Parth Bhargav of Grade 8 and Chinmayee Sandeep of Grade 10 attained silver awards. These talented students achieved this feat after facing stiff competition from a record-breaking 25,648 participants from every Commonwealth region.
- Satkriti App developed by our student: Aditya Srivaths, a class 10 student of National Public School, Indiranagar, recently released an Android application called 'Satkriti' on Google Play Store. It is an educational application with a package of lessons carefully created to teach good values to make young students socially aware and responsible. The first release includes lessons on topics such as bullying, discrimination, cleanliness and traffic rules. You can download the app at https://bit.ly/3qJvRca
- In HPE Codewars 2021 India Edition, our student Siddhant Attavar of Grade 11 won 2nd place out of 2500 participants. In addition to prize money worth ₹25,000, he got the opportunity to run an experiment on a state-of-the-art supercomputer at the International Space Station. Siddhant designed an experiment to compare the speed and efficacy of various hash algorithms, which was run on June 8th, 2021. HPE sent a certificate stating that his experiment was run successfully on the space station.
- **Spark Your Superpowers:** NPS Indiranagar and One M One B as part of the Adobe program joined hands to hold a contest for our students of grades 7 and above, who have access to Adobe Spark license. **Manya Sivasalapathy of Grade 11 won this contest.**
- Indian Schools Debating Society (ISDS): Abhishek Girish and Keshav Malik Kapoor, both of Grade 11, have emerged as two of the top 50 debaters in the country, after competing with 1500+ students from 15+ regions.
- CogNITive '21, the inter-school quiz competition organized by the NITK Surathkal, was held online in August 2021. Dhyan Vyas of Grade 12 participated solo and won in this event He was awarded a scholarship of Rs 50000/- by NoMoreClass.
- Teen Techy: Siddhant Attavar, a grade 11 student of NPS INR, won awards at two international science fair events for his project SMART (Stroke Monitoring and Rehabilitation using Technology). He won the gold award at the Genius Olympiad, from among 2000 participants of 85 countries. Additionally, he won the second prize at GYSTB, a Global Science Fair with participation from over 500 teams globally.
- At a contest conducted by Udhyam Learning Foundation in May 2021, Shreya Mahesh of Grade 7, won the Champion Entrepreneur award for her initiative as a young entrepreneur.
- Global laurels: Aria Vikram of Grade 12 won the third grand award in the Biomedical Engineering category for the project StethoDoc, a smart stethoscope which can screen for lung disorders, at the REGENERON International Science and Engineering Fair 2021(REGENERON ISEF 2021), as well as a Special Award from the United States Agency for International Development for its impact on global health, winning over 3000 dollars.

- Vishnu Sampathkumar of Grade 12 won the fourth grand prize in the Translational Medicine Category of REGENERON ISEF 2021. His project was "ADiag: Graph Theory and Deep Learning Based Diagnosis of Alzheimer's Disease", which is the first graph neural network based diagnostic model for Alzheimer's disease. ADiag can also make an Alzheimer's disease prediction, 3 years before the onset of the disease.
- Aria Vikram of Class 12 has been chosen as one of the 4 Indians to attend the Research Science Institute (RSI) program by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology this summer program is held in collaboration with MIT. Aria has won a full scholarship to participate in this program.

#### **School Events 2021-22**

NPS Indiranagar feels proud to state that during the year 2021-22, we extended the new normal of Online education to our co-curricular segment as well, in order to achieve a wholesome teaching-learning experience. Numerous activities and events were organized and held successfully on the Online platform, throughout this academic year, for all classes from Kindergarten and Montessori, right up to the senior-most students of the school!

The Montessori and Kindergarten kids enjoyed a workshop *Child First*, Parents' Day, Grandparents' Day, a virtual Tent Party and Halloween Celebrations! The Primary school students brought out their talents in a variety of ways through events like Promising Paperbacks (Grade 4), Music Jamboree (Grade 5), Rhapsody: Friends Forever (Grade 1), Three: To Be or Not to Be (Grade 3) and Sports Day: Heats and Feats (Grade 2). The Middle school students showcased Indradhanush: Hues of Talent (Grade 8), YEP: Young Entrepreneurship Programme (Grade 6) and Scientifica (Grade 7)

Senior students of secondary and senior secondary classes participated in CompasS 2021-22: Finding Direction (Grade 10); Esperanza: a celebration of Languages (Grades 9, 10 and 11); Scientifica: inter-school Science fest and Innowaves: inter-school Commerce fest (Grades 11 and 12).

Besides these, World Environment Day, International Yoga Day, Investiture Ceremony, a special celebration of the 75th Independence Day of our nation (with an original musical tribute *Bharatha Dharaneeyam* and the release of our original e-Coffee Table Book *Vrittant: Vignettes of our Freedom Movement*), Sanskrit Divas, Children's Day, Christmas, Republic Day and Valediction Day were celebrated like every year! So, NPS Indiranagar ensured that it was a year filled with activities for the students across all the grades!!

#### **Summer Vacations and Dates of Re-opening**

The school will remain closed from 1st April 2022 for the summer vacations. The detailed schedule of the re-opening of the school is as follows:

Class	Date
Class 1 to 8	Wednesday, 01 June 2022
Class 9 to 12	Monday, 23 May 2022
KG 1	Thursday, 09 June 2022
KG 2	Thursday, 16 June 2022
Montessori (Freshers)	Wednesday, 08 June 2022
Montessori (Juniors & Seniors)	Wednesday, 15 June 2022

These dates are subject to change based on the Government notification at that time.

#### **Textbooks and Notebooks**

A large number of parents have expressed their concern and predicaments in organizing textbooks and other materials well in time. We have made arrangements for books and materials from different agencies and will distribute them to the students in order to avoid any academic hitch when the school re-opens. The prescribed cost and schedule of issue of books will be notified to the students separately.

#### **Application for Transfer Certificate**

We have tremendous pressure from parents seeking admission to NPS Indiranagar, both from India and abroad. In this context, it would be appreciated if parents who are planning to withdraw their wards from the school for the next academic year could inform us of the same, latest by Monday, 14 March 2022. You may download the application form "annexure F" from the school website to submit the same at the school Bursary.

Online fee payment for the academic year 2022-23 will be on your academis portal from 21st March 2022.

We have successfully come to the end of an academic year that has without doubt, proved to us how much we can achieve as parents, students and educators. It has definitely been an indicator of the strength that is intrinsic to us. I would like to convey my very best to you for the summer vacation. Do stay safe and I wish you all good health. I look forward to welcoming each one of you, refreshed, for what will be another exciting and productive new academic year.

Warm regards

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