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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK



Welcome to Banyan Tree School New Delhi!

I am honoured to be the Principal of Banyan Tree School (BTS), Lodhi Road, New Delhi. It is a position from which I can serve a dual purpose of serving the school, as well as the community. We, at Banyan Tree School, strive to impart high-quality education which ensures to internally motivate students and aims for lifelong learning, allowing them to become well- rounded contributing members of society. We wish to not only be a part of a child's educational journey but also try to cater to allow students to reach their full potential. What we do at Banyan Tree School, New Delhi, goes hand in hand with our mission and vision. The staff at Banyan Tree School, are highly qualified and experienced educators who are all committed to supporting your child's educational experiences by creating a supporting environment, ensuring scaffolding when required, and providing guidance as per a child's needs and the requirements of their developmental domains. Our school stands by Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and we try to ensure that the same is inculcated into the learning experiences for students for them to imbibe this in their life goals. The syllabus and curriculum all adhere to assist learners in their journey to make a mark in the world. Student learning, of course, goes beyond textbooks, which is ensured through our numerous co-curricular activities offered by the school. We believe that the student's parents are also an important factor in the education of students. We welcome parents to be active participants in their child's education by attending the Parent Teacher Meetings (PTMs), building a rapport with the student's teachers, and gaining more insight into the functionalities of the day-to-day life at Banyan Tree School. Let us all work together to ensure that Banyan Tree School is the best it can be. We welcome you to be a part of our warm and vibrant community, as we all remain "In Pursuit of Excellence".

Career Connect



The event, **Careers @ Banyan Tree School**, was a resounding success, aimed at inspiring students by introducing them to diverse career opportunities and providing insights from seasoned professionals. The highlight of the event was the presence of distinguished speaker, **Major Saumya Shukla**, whose experiences left a lasting impression on the audience. Major Saumya Shukla's address was a compelling narrative of her life in the Indian Army, reflecting both her professional accomplishments and personal passions. Drawing from her 13 years of service in regions like Ladakh and Kashmir, she emphasized the multifaceted nature of an Army career, which offers opportunities for adventure, personal growth, and national service.

She highlighted the Army's unmatched lifestyle, describing how it fosters values like discipline, resilience, and leadership while providing a life filled with adventure and purpose. Major Shukla underscored how the Army enables individuals to pursue adventure activities such as mountaineering, white-water rafting, and hot-air ballooning, making it more than just a career but a way of life.

She also spoke about the professional enhancement opportunities the Army provides, including higher education and skill development, ensuring that officers grow not only as soldiers but as well-rounded individuals. She discussed the financial and social security offered by the Army, such as job satisfaction, economic stability, and respect in society, as highlighted in the presentation. Her address was a vivid portrayal of how the Indian Army shapes individuals into resilient and honorable leaders, making a profound impact on the audience. General Wadhwa also addressed the audience, sharing his extensive experiences in the Army and providing insights into the unique lifestyle, honor, and career satisfaction the Armed Forces offer.

The event concluded with a lively Q&A session, where students posed thoughtful and insightful questions. It was an inspiring and enlightening experience that not only motivated students to explore a career in the armed forces but also instilled a sense of pride and appreciation for the service of our nation's defenders. The event left a lasting impression, encouraging students to dream big and pursue paths filled with purpose and adventure.

Junior Wing Activities



This festive season, our little artists from the Nursery class got into the holiday spirit by creating their very own Santa handprints! With tiny hands dipped in paint and hearts full of excitement, the children crafted adorable Santa figures using their handprints.

The activity not only ignited their creativity but also helped enhance their fine motor skills. Watching their joyful faces as they transformed their handprints into cheerful Santas was truly heartwarming.

It was a delightful way to welcome the holiday season while fostering imagination and creativity among our young learners. Great job, Nursery kids



Winter Wonderland in the Making!

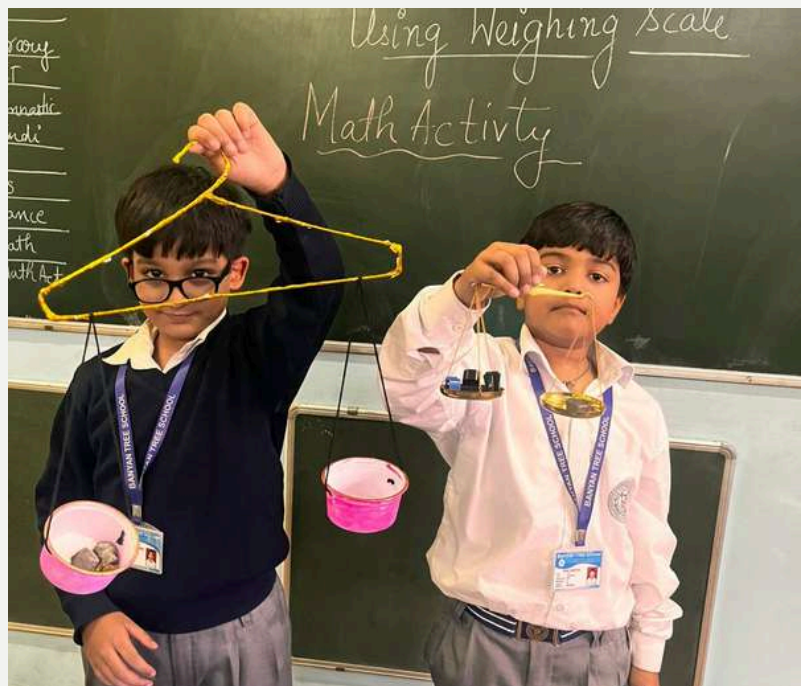
Students got creative with a fun tear and paste activity, bringing their very own snowman to life! With twinkling eyes and warm smiles, these little snowmen are sure to melt your heart. We're loving the way our young artists are exploring their creativity and fine motor skills through this engaging activity.



Money Matters Activity - In this activity, Grade 1 students explored different coins and notes to learn their values. They used play money to practice exchanging coins and notes for equal amounts. Working in pairs, they bought and sold pretend items, making sure to use the correct coins and notes. Through these hands-on experiences, students gained a better understanding of how money works in real life. By the end of the activity, they identified various types of coins and notes, understood their value, and practiced exchanging money accurately. They also learned how to make simple transactions, which helped them gain an early understanding of money and its uses.



Students did a role play on Bhalu ka ghar using props of the characters . It was very well portrayed and was a motivational activity for the students . The students enjoyed playing the play simultaneously and they learnt about the basic traits of the animals .



In the metric measures class, students participated in an engaging activity using 'Jodo Gyan' weighing kits to explore various units of weight. They showcased creativity by crafting their own weighing scales from waste materials and compared the weights of everyday objects like erasers, sharpeners, pebbles, and coins. They also learned to differentiate between lighter and heavier objects through comparison.

Float

Sink

Mixes



Science Experiment: Float, Sink, and Mix
Grade 5 students dove into the world of buoyancy and solubility by experimenting with various objects and liquids, discovering what floats, sinks, and mixes! A hands-on way to explore basic scientific concepts.

Book Week (December 16–21, 2024)

Banyan Tree School came alive with the magic of stories, creativity, and learning during its *Annual Book Week, celebrated from December 16 to December 21, 2024.* The week was a testament to the school's dedication to fostering a love for reading and literature among its students.

The event began with engaging activities such as *Puppet shows, Storytelling sessions, Caricature workshops, and an Author's meet,* organized in collaboration with the National Book Trust.

Midweek, the school embraced the *DEAR (Drop Everything And Read)* activity, turning the campus into a quiet haven for book lovers.

From December 19 onward, the school seamlessly transitioned to an online mode, ensuring uninterrupted enthusiasm. Students participated enthusiastically in activities like *Limerick writing, Book mark & Book cover designing, Poster making, creative Show-and-Tell and Storytelling sessions* etc. from the comfort of their homes.

Despite the shift, the week was a resounding success, sparking joy and a love for books across all age groups. The event was successful in achieving its goal of enriching the literary culture at Banyan Tree School.

In collaboration with the National Book Trust (NBT)

Puppet Show



Storytelling Session



Caricature



Author's Meet



DEAR (Drop Everything and Read)



A dedicated zero period for reading, encouraging everyone to immerse themselves in books

Story Telling Session



AI Winter School



Day 1

Focused on exploring Google's Teachable Machine as an AI Tool and its practical applications. Dr Anurag Jain led the session, providing valuable insights hands on experience. The interactive session allowed the students to engage with the speaker, clarify doubts and gain a deeper understanding of AI Concepts.



Day 2

Second Day at Al Winter School, was a hub of learning and innovation. The day commenced with an engaging session on AI in Everyday life conducted by Dr Sapna Arora and Dr Aarti Singh, highlighting the pervasive impact of AI in daily life.



Day 3

It was a day of exploration and discovery. The session prompt Engineering, Secret to creativity was led by Dr Shamik Tiwari. Students learnt that how to harness the power of AI tools like Open AI to bring their ideas to life, create captivating designs and solve complex challenges.

Alumni Meet REVERBRATE



Ms Huma Qureshi

Class of 2002

Distinguished Alumni



ACHIEVEMENTS



First position in Interschool Zonal (Classical) Music Competition, DOE, Tanay Sharma.

Over the moon and beyond thrilled, 'Tanay Sharma' has just clinched 1st place at the inter-school zonal music(classical) competition held by DOE! Competing against many prestigious schools was no small feat, but every note, every practice session, and every ounce of dedication paid off. The journey was both challenging and exhilarating, and Tanay couldn't have achieved this without the incredible support of his teachers, family, and friends. This victory belongs to everyone who believed in and cheered for him. Here's to chasing dreams, pushing boundaries, and making music that moves hearts. Let's keep this rhythm going and continue creating beautiful harmonies together! Onward and upward!



Congratulations to 'Divyata Sharma' for achieving second place in the recent solo dance competition held in 'Sarvodaya Kanya Vidyalaya, Andrew's Ganj'. Your performance was nothing short of spectacular, demonstrating not only technical skill but also a deep emotional connection to the music. Your dedication to your craft and relentless practice were evident in every move and expression, capturing the audience's attention and admiration.

Securing second place in such a competitive field is a remarkable achievement and a testament to your hard work and talent. You brought a unique energy to the stage, blending grace with precision, and your performance stood out for its originality and passion.

We are incredibly proud of your success and inspired by your commitment to excellence. This accomplishment reflects not just your individual talent, but also the support and encouragement from your teachers, family, and friends. As you continue to hone your skills and pursue your dance dreams, we have no doubt that you will achieve even greater heights. Congratulations once again, and we look forward to witnessing many more of your impressive performances in the future!



CONGRATULATIONS!



**For winning 3rd position in the Under-19 Girls Basketball Zonal
Tournament**

TESTIMONIAL'S



Student Testimonial

I am very lucky to be part of Banyan Tree School because the classroom infrastructure is excellent.

The teaching-learning process is outstanding, as teachers provide real-life examples and activities, helping students understand abstract concepts more easily, rather than relying solely on imagination.

Teachers seamlessly incorporate moral values into the curriculum, ensuring all students become morally aware. Over the years, both Banyan Tree School and I have grown immensely



Deepika Ramola
Grade VIII



Student Testimonial

My younger brother and I both study at this school. I have had a wonderful experience here so far. I have learned many valuable things, such as setting a target for my life and respecting others.

Teachers use creative methods of teaching, such as activities, and truly motivate students to become successful. The school has many facilities, and the teachers are well-educated. I have made many wonderful friends. I shall forever be a Banyanite!



Darsh Kumar
Grade VIII

MEET OUR TEACHERS



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Ms. Barkha Goswami
PGT Sociology

"With a BA in Sociology and an MA in Gender Studies, I've had the pleasure of creating a vibrant learning environment for the past three years where education feels like play. My teaching approach incorporates storytelling, role play, painting, and other interactive activities to engage students and unlock their potential.

I believe in a student-friendly approach where learning is a collaborative exchange of knowledge. My motto for my students is "Let's make learning an adventure together!"



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MEET OUR TEACHER



Ms. Tanvi Pahwa
Special Educator

With a B.Ed and M.Ed in Special Education, a PhD in Special Education. I have 4 years of experience in teaching students with disabilities. By providing support, guidance, and mentorship to students with special education needs that includes developing individualized learning plans, implementing appropriate teaching strategies, monitoring progress, and collaboration with teachers and parents to ensure the academic and social development of the students. As a passionate facilitator I encourage students to develop independent living skills, foster interpersonal communication and help students self advocate for them.

PARENT'S TESTIMONIAL

As a proud parent , just wanted to share that Banyan Tree School rocks! It has been an incredible place for my child to grow and thrive. The teachers here go above and beyond to support our child's academic and personal growth. The school offers a wide range of extracurricular activities that have helped my child develop her skills. I highly appreciate all the opportunities the school has provided !!

Parent Of Bhoomika Arya

I Parveen Arora my children has thrived at this school in Delhi. The teachers are dedicated, fostering a supportive environment for learning and growth. The school's strong academic curriculum combined with extracurricular activities has helped my children develop holistically. The school's focus on character building and values has positively influenced my children's behavior and outlook. I appreciate the school's commitment to individualized attention and I overall development. I highly recommend this school to parents seeking a well-rounded education and an enriching environment for their child.

Parent of Nidhi Arora and Nitika Arora



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**“Education is the passport to the future,
for tomorrow belongs to those who
prepare for it today.”- Malcolm X**