# **SCHOOL ANNUAL REPORT : ACADEMIC YEAR 2024-25**

### **Awards and Recognition**

The academic year 2024-2025 witnessed the school's exceptional achievements and recognition on various fronts. Through dedication, innovation, and commitment to excellence, the school community received several prestigious awards and accolades. These accolades not only underscore the school's commitment to academic and holistic development but also highlight the outstanding contributions of both the leadership and the entire school community. From pioneering advancements in pedagogy to exemplary leadership and recognition of individual excellence, these awards serve as a testament to the school's unwavering pursuit of excellence in education. In this report, we present a comprehensive overview of the awards received by the school, showcasing our achievements and contributions to the field of education during the academic year 2024-2025.

## 1. Most innovatively designed thinking & learning 2024-25.

Award Given by: Times Grow Media Recipient: Apex International School

#### 2. Outstanding implementation of hybrid learning in school.

Award Given by: Athos Education Solution

Recipient: Apex International School

### 3. Principal of the Year

Award Given by: Eduleaders by universal

Recipient: Dr. Manasi Gill (Principal)

Details: Dr. Manasi Gill was honored with the Principal of the Year award for her

exemplary leadership and transformative impact on the school community.

4. Principal of the Year

Award Given by: Principal of the Year 2024 by Universal Mentors Association

Recipient: Dr. Manasi Gill (Principal)

Details: This award recognizes the outstanding leadership and dedication of Dr. Manasi Gill, who has guided the school with vision and passion, driving excellence in education.

#### 5. Best Principal of the Year

Award Given by: Ajinkya D. Y. Patil University

Recipient: Dr. Manasi Gill (Principal)

Details: Dr. Manasi Gill was honored with the Best Principal of the Year award in recognition of her exceptional leadership and dedication to promoting

academic excellence and student welfare.

#### 6. Swami Vivekanand National Awards

Award Given by: Ek Updesh Media Recipient: Dr. Manasi Gill (Principal)

Details: Dr. Manasi Gill was recognized as a Swami Vivekanand National Awards for her contributions to skill development initiatives and her efforts to foster innovation and creativity among students.

## 7. Leadership in student development award

Award Given by: EduDrone

Recipient: Dr. Manasi Gill (Principal)

Details: Dr. Manasi Gill was honored with the Leadership in student development award for her visionary leadership, innovative, thinking, and unwavering commitment to excellence in education.

### 8. Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Shiksha Sarvoch Award

Award Given by: Igniting Dreams of Young Minds Foundation

Recipient: Dr. Manasi Gill (Principal)

Details: Dr. Manasi Gill was bestowed with the prestigious Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Award, in recognition of her remarkable contributions and enduring impact in the field of education.

#### **Celebrations and Observances**

Throughout the year, our school celebrated numerous important days and festivals with enthusiasm and active participation from both students and staff. The key events included:

- 1. Father's Day Celebration: On the 6th of June 2024, our school celebrated Father's Day with a special event aimed at strengthening the bond between fathers and their children. The highlight of the celebration was a fireless cooking team competition, of pre-primary section where fathers teamed up with their children to prepare delightful dishes together, fostering camaraderie and culinary skills in a joyful and secure atmosphere. Furthermore, in the grade 1 and above sections, students expressed their appreciation for their fathers through heartfelt handmade crafts and thoughtful tokens of gratitude, showcasing their creativity and love.
- **2. International Day of Yoga:** International Day of Yoga, was school organized in school on 21st June 2024. During these sessions, the volunteers explained the importance of yoga for physical and mental well-being, guiding the students through various asanas and breathing exercises.
- 3. Parent Workshop: Throughout the academic year, our school conducted multiple Parent Workshops with the primary goal of equipping parents with the necessary tools to understand and support their children's academic journey effectively. Led by dedicated teachers, these workshops provided valuable insights into the teaching methodologies utilized within the school, ensuring parents remained informed and engaged in their children's education. Additionally, special workshops were conducted by our esteemed Principal, aimed at fostering awareness among parents regarding different parenting styles. These sessions elaborated on the crucial collaboration between parents and the educational institution in nurturing students further. By facilitating open dialogue and sharing valuable information, these workshops strengthened the partnership between parents and the school, ultimately contributing to the holistic development of our students. World Senior Citizen Day and Sadbhavana Divas: Celebrations that fostered respect and harmony through various activities.

- 4. Dental Check-Up: The dental check-up camp, organized by the school on 13th and 14th June 2024, providing students with free dental examinations by professional dentists of Multispecialty Dental Care Center, aiming to promote oral health awareness and preventive care among the student body. Through interactive sessions and complimentary dental kits, students received valuable insights and tools for maintaining optimal dental hygiene. The camp was conducted for over two days for all the students of the school
- 5. Girls Child Safety & Puberty Hygiene Awareness Program: An awareness program was organized to educate girls about child safety and puberty hygiene, on 18th April 2024, covering essential topics such as personal boundaries, menstrual hygiene, and recognizing signs of abuse. The session was conducted by Ms. Swati Mahananda from Samajbandh Foundation, who is a dedicated social worker and sexuality educator. Through interactive sessions and informative materials, the program aimed to empower girls with the knowledge and skills to protect themselves and maintain their health during puberty. Good Touch Bad Touch Workshop: Educated students on personal safety and awareness.
  - **6. Christmas Carnival:** The school hosted a vibrant Christmas Carnival on 24<sup>th</sup> December 2025 with activities on three levels. Firstly, workshops such as fridge magnet making, bottle painting, blotto art, and superhero mask making, a puppet show, and a toddler fitness workshop engaged students creatively and physically. Lastly, the event included various food stalls and live band performances, throughout the day creating a festive atmosphere for students to enjoy the year-end celebrations.
  - 7. Field trips: The school enriches its curriculum with field trips each term to provide students with hands-on learning experiences outside the classroom. These trips include visits to diverse places such as departmental stores, where students learn about commerce and everyday transactions, and science museums, which offer interactive exhibits to spark their interest in various scientific fields. Trips to farms teach students about agriculture and the importance of sustainable practices, while visits to musical gardens allow them to explore the intersection of nature and music. A visit to the historic

Chhatrapati Shahu Maharaj Palace, Kolhapur provides insights into history and culture, fostering a deeper appreciation for their heritage. These field trips are designed to complement classroom learning, making education more engaging and comprehensive.

- **8. Annual day:** The Annual Day at our school, themed as Echoes of Childhood, Apex Fiesta, Bhavchakra- Wheel of Life for Primary and Pre-Primary Section, showcased the talents of all students in dance, drama, and music performances. The Echoes of Childhood featured students re-creating a sense of nostalgia and reflection on the joys, innocence, and experiences of one's younger years. Through their creativity and dedication, students transported the audience with captivating narratives, highlighting their acting skills and appreciation for the arts. This event was a testament to our commitment to holistic development and cultural appreciation, bringing the school community together in joyous celebration.
  - 9. Subject Enrichment Activities: Each year, our school conducts Student Enrichment Activities (SEA) twice annually, serving as a cornerstone of our commitment to fostering continuous and practical learning among our students. During these cherished events, students take the helm, leading the charge in creating projects and working models that encapsulate the academic lessons they've absorbed. What sets SEA activities apart is their interdisciplinary nature, where every subject, from languages to science, mathematics, and social studies, receives equal attention. Students fully immerse themselves in the process, seamlessly melding theoretical knowledge with hands-on experience to breathe life into their projects. Whether constructing scale models of historical monuments, conducting scientific experiments, or devising innovative solutions to real-world problems, these activities prompt students to apply their skills in meaningful ways. By emphasizing student-led exploration and discovery, SEA activities ensure that learning extends beyond the confines of textbooks and classrooms, fostering a deep sense of curiosity, creativity, and critical thinking among our students year after year.

10. Culmination Activities: Every year, our school organizes Culmination Activities, a cherished tradition conducted to celebrate the culmination of learning achievements and academic progress. During Culmination, students take center stage, showcasing their mastery of academic concepts through creative projects and presentations. What makes Culmination activities exceptional is their interdisciplinary approach, where every subject, from language arts to science, mathematics, and social studies, is spotlighted. Students immerse themselves in the process, seamlessly blending theoretical knowledge with hands-on experiences to bring their projects to life. Whether reenacting historical events, conducting scientific experiments, or exploring cultural phenomena, these activities encourage students to apply their skills in meaningful and innovative ways. By emphasizing student-driven exploration and discovery, Culmination activities foster a deep sense of curiosity, creativity, and critical thinking, ensuring that learning transcends the boundaries of the classroom and leaves a lasting impact on our students' educational journey.

# competitions and Activities

Our students showcased their talents and engaged in various competitions and activities, promoting a spirit of healthy competition and personal growth. Highlights included:

- 1. Poster Making and Fancy-Dress Competitions: Encouraged creativity and self-expression among students.
- 2. Story Telling Competition, Role Play Competition: Provided a platform for students to display their artistic talents.
- 3. Diya and Lantern Making Competitions: Celebrated cultural traditions through creative crafts.
- 4. Debate and Quiz Competitions: Enhanced students' critical thinking and general knowledge.
- 5. Elocution Competition: Developed students' public speaking skills.
- 6. Interschool Sports Competitions (like SFA): Offered opportunities for students to excel in various sports outside the school
- 7. Innovative Teaching Methods: Teachers introduced novel ideas to make learning more engaging and effective.
- 8. Culminations and SEA Activities: Integrated various subjects and enhanced students' practical knowledge.
- 9. Work Education Projects: Provided hands-on learning experiences that enriched students' educational Journey.

# inclusive Education:

Apex International School emphasizes inclusive education and maintains comprehensive records and anecdotal data to support this approach. The school focuses on providing a supportive and adaptive learning environment for all students, including those with special educational needs.

Apex International School adopts a holistic approach to education that integrates Inclusive practices involving Differentiated Instruction,

Individualized Education Plans, Support Services.

The school maintains detailed records and anecdotal notes to track student progress and inform instruction. The School has Special Educator & Health & Wellness Teachers & Counselor who keep Cumulative Records which are comprehensive files for each student, documenting academic performance, behavioral observations, and any special accommodations or interventions provided. The teachers regularly document specific instances of student behavior, achievements, and areas needing Improvement. These records help in understanding individual student needs and adjusting teaching strategies accordingly.

# In service & External Training of Teachers:

All teachers of the school have completed the mandatory training. Inservice training is also given to the teachers. The teachers have attended trainings & workshops externally as well as resource persons are invited from specialized fields to train the teachers on latest pedagogies and NEP & NCF.

# **External Examinations**

Our students have also excelled in various external examinations, showcasing their academic prowess on national and international platforms:

- 1. SOF Olympiad: Our students participated in the Science Olympiad Foundation (SOF) Olympiads, achieving outstanding results and securing top ranks.
- 2. Homi Bhabha Exams: Students excelled in these exams, highlighting their proficiency in science and mathematics.
- 3. Spell Bee: The Spell Bee competition witnessed enthusiastic participation from our students, showcasing their linguistic prowess and vocabulary skills.

## **Sports**

# I. Sakal Schoolympics Tournament:

Apex teams of boys and girls participated in the prestigious Sakal Schoolympics tournament, hosted by the Sakal group.

Despite being their inaugural appearance, both teams not only qualified for the leagues but also secured a spot among the top 12 out of over 55 participating schools.

This remarkable achievement served as significant motivation, highlighting Apex's potential in the sporting arena.

#### II. Kabbadi Tournament:

In a fiercely competitive Kabbadi tournament with over 105 participating schools, Apex Kabbadi team exhibited outstanding skills and determination.

The team earned a well-deserved spot in the quarterfinals, showcasing their Kabbadi prowess and resilience to challenges.

# III. Skating Competition:

Apex talented skaters showcased remarkable skills, gracefully gliding across the rink and earning accolades for their performance.

Their journey extended into the semifinals and quarterfinals, reflecting their hard work, precision, and passion for skating.

### Conclusion

The academic year 2024-25 was marked by numerous achievements, celebrations, and enriching activities that significantly contributed to the holistic development of our students. Our commitment to educational innovation, combined with the active involvement of students, teachers, and parents, has made this year a remarkable success. We look forward to continuing our pursuit of excellence and making a lasting positive impact on our students and the broader community.



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