

## ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL CHRONICLE 2018



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The Administrative Staff, 2018, with Rev. J. Halder (Administrator/ Chaplain).



Boys spending 12 Years in St Paul's School, 2018, with Rev. J. Halder (Administrator/ Chaplain).

### St. Paul's School Darjeeling



#### 196th Speech Day

Sunday, 14th October 2018, 9:30 am

*Chief Guest:* Mr. Rahul Rana Old Paulite '94

#### List of Prize Winners

**Programme** Arrival of the Chief Guest Invocation The School Song School Annual Report Felicitation of The Class of '94 Felicitation of Staff (Silver Jubilee) Prize Distribution Chief Guest's Address Vote of Thanks The National Anthem

#### Prize List-2018

	•	1126 LISI- 2010	
Class	First Proficiency	Second Proficiency	Progress & Application
1	Aniruddh Singh		
2	Sushobhit Mukhia	Shreyansh A. Singh	Sarswat Mitra
3	Al Meherab Mashrafe	Shojauddin Sk	Xzavion I.A. Hooda
4	Shreyas Yadav	Kshitiz Darshan	Phittinun Lerdbamroochai
5	Sabbir Ahmed	Ayush Roy	Sakditaj Vimonpattanon
6A	Aman Kumar	Athiwat natakuathung	Not Awarded
6B	Rishab Kashyap	Buno Sonam	Not Awarded
7A	Rajat Chandra Thaku	r Abedin Zainul	Maythungkorn Thongjeen
7B	Taha Nazam Khan	Aidan S. Dennis	Not Awarded
7C	Armaan Mandal	Om Anand	Aiyan Mali
8A	Jetnipal Kongsirirungruang	Mahmood S. Sabab	Thitiphong Wongmuang
8B	Ayushman Newar	Vishwaraj Shah	Safin Roka
8C	Praneet Nischal Tigga	a Rudra Pratap Singh	Arko Karmakar
9A	Taya Hang Rai	Mohit Lakra	Poppat Vongsuphar
9B	Ishant Bhattarai	Chaitanya Singh	Aditya Kumar
9C	Nilaksh Kashyap	Jiraput Promdireg	Not Awarded
10A	Aryan Thakur	Atiwit Chomchalao	Not Awarded
10B	Himanshu Dutta	Nikhilesh Raj	Not Awarded
10C	Sanskar Chandra	Satwik Shekher	Not Awarded
11Hum.	Fardeen Y. Mazhari	Mridul Khanna	Not Awarded
11Com.	Yash V. Agarwal	Akash D. Pradhan	Not Awarded
11Sc.	Anirvan Pandey	Bishan Subedi	Jaskaran Singh Wasu
12Hum.	Devrath Madhur	Md. Imtesal	Not Awarded
12Com.	Debojyoti Dey	Kushal Agarwal	Roshan Kumar
12Sc.	Sunny Sinha	Ratan Vatsya	Kritipas Tubsaeng
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#### Prize List-2018 - Primary Wing

Class	Good Conduct	Art
1	Aniruddh Singh	Aniruddh Singh
2	Aritro T. Saha	Prin Teppron
3	Ayush Raj	Kaustub
4	Nirjhar R. Saha	Mihir Singh
5	Not Awarded	Nannaphat Khongchanda
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#### **Special Prizes in Primary Wing**

Essay Prize	Atulya Koirala
Moore Divinity	Sabbir Ahmed
BestActor	Ayush Roy
Saxena Prize for Quizzing	Sabbir Ahmed
Jyoti Kundu Memorial Medal	Rashid Pervez
Evelyn Howard Prize for Elocution	Atulya Koirala
PW Best Artist Medal	Sabbir Ahmed
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#### Special Prizes in Junior Wing

Amiya Bhattacharya Memorial Prize for Musician Junior Wing Moore Divinity Prize Junior Wing Art Prize B. J. Sharma Medal for Best Sportsman in Junior Wing Jack Warren Medal for the Best Cricketer in Junior Wing Jyoti Kundu Medal for Elocution Naresh Shanmungam Memorial Medal for Good Conduct in Class VII K. N. Sahgal Prize for Bible Reading Dawa Norbu Medal for the Best Debater in Junior Wing

The Sakrani Medal for Computer The Gayatri Kanti Medal for Consistent Academic Achievement **B.P. Dutta Science Prize** The Karanjai Medal for Quizzing Disawala Medal for Best Actor

Rigzen P. Bhutia Not Awarded Itsara Thiangtham Tashi Topgay Tamang Tashi Topgay Tamang Rigzen P. Bhutia

**Rishit Dutta** Praneet Tigga Mananjay L. Mukhia Armaan Mandal Ayush Raj

Nikhil Kumar Avushman Newar Rigzen P. Bhutia Samiran Sapkota/ Tanjir Mali

#### Special Prizes in Senior Wing

Sahgal Accountancy Prize Leslie Goddard Medal - (ICSE) Saraf Short Story Medal Renuka Dang Proficiency Medal - ICSE Kamlesh Kanti Medal - ICSE (Hindi)

R.S. Prasad Computer Science Medal Das Studio Medal for Consistent Good Work Kamlesh Kanti Photography Medal Gen. Virendra N.C.C. Medal Kabra Proficiency Medal - ISC (Commerce) A. B. Miller Proficiency Medal - ISC (Science) Karun Majumdar Science Medal Anil Chaudhury Art Medal Madhukar Rana Nepali Medal Sahgal Business Studies Prize G.V. Swaika Medal for Drama Best Craftsman's Medal - Woodwork Gyaltsen Medal for Best Footballer - Under X Tower History Medal Karan Majumdar G.K. Medal Rahoul Music Medal Best Actor Medal in Nepali Darjeeling Rotary Medal for Social Service (under X) Rahul Kumar Gupta

Jitesh Singh Fardeen Y. Mazhari Neirav Giri Fardeen Y. Mazhari Harsh Vardhan/ Priyanshu Raj Jaskaran Singh Wasu Kanisorn Jinta-Acharya Kanisorn Jinta-Acharya Devrath Madhur Rajveer Singh Barara Aditya Bihani Sunny Sinha Amirsha Mondal Neirav Giri Debojvoti Dev Anuto Zhimomi Debojvoti Dev Yeshi Dorjee Thongdok Devrath Madhur Jaskaran Singh Wasu Fardeen Y. Mazhari Ganesh Shrestha

Raj Bhandari Nepali Medal - ICSE N.K. Mitra Medal for Club Activities Kothari Physical Science Medal Rudra Hindi Medal K. L. Pradhan Medal - ICSE Economics

Darjeeling Photo Stores Medal (Excellence in Photography) Robin Banerjee Life Science Prize Adam's Music Medal Nilima Bose Medal for Excellence in Theatre Usha Rani Bengali Medal Clarke Geography Prize Moore Divinity Medal Rai Bahadur D.N. Singh Medal - ISC Humanities Best Craftsman's Medal - for Batik **OPA Medal - Best All Round Sportsman** Maj. Bhatnagar Medal for Brain of St. Paul's Ajit Singh Lamba award for Good Conduct Best Artist Medal Best Actor Medal - Bengali Best Actor Medal - Hindi Class of '89 Economics Medal Gal Gregory Mathematics Medal Nanibala Dey English Literature Medal Sakraney Medal for Elocution School Captain's Medal G. J. Shaw Medal for Best All Rounder - Class 10 K. K. Mukherjee Medal - Best All Rounder - Class 12 Gibbs Medal for Outward Bound Activities (Pioneers) **Bible Reading Medal** Jack Warren - Best Cricketer Under 10 Atanu Bhattacharjee Memorial Cricket Medal Tenzing Norgay Leadership Award Air Force Medal for Best Public Speaker Luv Kumar Ecological Studies Medal

Carter English MedalNot AwardedRector's MedalRaghav GutgBishop's MedalGaurav SinghNawraj Pradhan Environmental Ambassador MedalNot Awarded

Neirav Giri Md. Imtesal Gaurav Singh Gaurav Singh Hridaii Raj Chhetri/ Fardeen Y. Mazhari

Kanisorn Jinta-Acharya Harit Kumawat Anuto Zhimomi Ayutemjen C. Jamir Ankur Singha Ratan Vatsya Devrath Madhur Imliwabang L. Jamir Debojyoti Dey Raihan Karim Himanshu Dutta Suraj B.K./ Rishav Anand Amirsha Mondal Deboivoti Dev Raihan Karim Debojyoti Dey Vorameth Kajonrungsilp Devrath Madhur Devrath Madhur Gaurav Singh Harsh Vardhan Gaurav Singh Not Awarded Mridul Khanna Utkarsh Kumar Jibon Gupta Not Awarded Neirav Giri Satwik Shekhar/ Debojyoti Dey Not Awarded Raghav Gutgutia Gaurav Singh

#### SCHOOL SONG

From the low and steamy plains 'Upward !' the old School calls; Come share our joys and pains, Come, mould your limbs and brains; 'Upward !' the old School calls; St. Paul's, St. Paul's, St. Paul's !

When pales and dies the light 'Courage !' the old School calls; Fear not the darkest night; Clouds only veil the light; 'Courage !' the old School calls; St. Paul's, St. Paul's, St. Paul's !

When press unhallowed foes; 'Fight on !' the old School calls; See the eternal snows; Pure be thy soul as those; 'Fight on !' the old School calls; St. Paul's, St. Paul's, St. Paul's !

And when life's course is run, 'Homeward !' the old School calls Face towards the rising sun, Wait for the glad 'Well Done !' 'Homeward !' the old School calls; St. Paul's, St. Paul's, St. Paul's.

#### CHIEF GUEST'S SPEECH

#### MR. RAHUL RANA (OP '94, SCHOOL CAPTAIN – 1993 – '94)



Rev. Halder, members of the teaching faculty, my own and dear batch of 1993 – '94, proud parents, special guests and Paulites.

It is our honour and privilege to be here with you today. Thank you for your generosity in allowing us to share in the last two beautiful and important days of our lives. And, i9 want to thank my dear friends of the batch of 1993 – '94, in particular, Gautam Hingorani, Krishna Agarwal, Amit

Garg, and many others, for their passion and commitment in making this dream happen for all of us. Thank you to many who have come from all over the world to be here today. This is very special. Thank you.

It feels like only yesterday since we were at school, running around the Top Field, waiting for the movie on Saturday night, exeats in town, Eden Falls and morning runs, boxy and Jordan, I wish I could say, "Socials", too, though the closest we got to that was watching, in class 9, as the then Sixth Formers had their socials! These have been, by far, the most seminal, and defining years, of my life and, indeed, I feel for all of us. We grew, played, fought, discovered and engaged with all that life had to offer, and have continued with that spirit and fire onwards, and forwards, in our lives.

When I learned, a few weeks ago, that I would have to stand before you today to address you, I was elated but the enormity of it struck me later. So, then, what should I talk about today? Can I give you advice that will change your life forever, I don't know – my life continues to evolve, even today – I'm still learning life's lessons every day. So, what should this be about?

Our lives, since we left school, have all gone in different directions. Some of us have dealt with really hard life-changing situations, but we fought our way out of it. It wasn't all romantic, and it wasn't all breezy, and sometimes it didn't seem fair. And, at no point did we have the opportunity to connect the dots looking forward – just lived with the trust and faith that the dots would, somehow, connect in the future.

So, I want to talk today about what I learnt, through my own meandering experiences. On this wonderful day, today, I want to talk to you about, first, the importance of imagination. I have discovered the power of a dream and how it has the unique capacity to be the bedrock of transformation, innovation and a new way of life. How it can inspire you and lead you to

experiences that you never had and never thought of. And, how your dream has the power to be uniquely yours. It is dreams that have brought the world to where we are today. Creators, Political figures that changed the world, Sports stars, Movie stars, Businessmen – they all had a dream. Unlike any other creature on the planet you can dream your way to other places and experiences that you never had. And, it can be the only thing you ever needed to fire a revolution. What you can achieve internally has the power to change your outward reality. You will be able to feel what I have felt deeply, that Life doesn't just happen to you, it happens for you!

I learned that I wanted to engage and participate in my life, and not be a spectator in my life. I lost a few years in my life following a deceptive and misleading path of focussing through a coloured lens on what others were doing with their lives. Today I focus on my life, my family, my friends, my dreams and my reality. I live more peacefully, more fully, more passionately and feel more alive and powerful than I ever felt. Engage deeply with everything around you – feel your life. There is depth, and breadth, to life that cannot be quantified by numbers, described in words, or captured in cameras – but you can feel it. I know today that I am the rock star I wanted to be of my life.

And, finally, spirit. Rocky Balboa said, "Life is not about how hard of a hit you can give, it is about how many you can take, and still go in for another round". Life isn't all sunshine and rainbows – things will happen, and adversity will manifest – illness, loss of job, money, loss of love, dignity, and sometimes the loss of life itself. The question is not whether some of these things will happen to you, what's important is what happens next, and that will define you. These seeds of resilience, and an indomitable spirit, were planted in my life in school. Finding gratitude and appreciation, focussing on what is good, and great, and possible, and believing that there are great undiscovered moments of joy just around the bend is all you need. I hope that you can live your life, and each precious day, with joy and meaning, and that you find gratitude for each step.

My friends who are here today, and with whom I spent the best years of my life with, have been my friends for life. They are my children's godparents, the people who I have turned to in times of trouble, and we are bound to eternity by our shared experience of a time that could never come again. The fact that we stand before you today, both humbled and inspired, excited and fired up is the only success we ever needed. Today, most of all, I wish you similar friendships and great, interesting lives! To young Paulites who stand on the precipice of adulthood, I say to you, "You have the whole world in front of you, and I can't wait to see what you do with it!"

Thank you.



# The ISC 2018-19 Candidates



The ICSE 2018-19 Candidates

#### CHAPEL REPORT, 2018.

Master-in-Charge: Mr. Michael Dutta Head Chapel Warden: Harit Kumawat

When one thinks of St. Paul's, it always starts with the Chapel, with the majestic Kanchenjunga mountain in its background which is the one building that is cherished by every Paulite, as well as Old Paulites.

The Chapel doors re-opened on 6<sup>th</sup> March, 2018, for a 'Combined Service' to mark the Opening of the Term. The Investiture of Captains and Prefects was held on 8<sup>th</sup> March, in the Prep Hall. Soon after, the Leaver's Service was held for the outgoing students of ICSE and ISC on 14<sup>th</sup> March.

The morning services were held, separately for the Junior Wing and Senior Wing, from Monday to Thursday, every week. The Primary Wing had their services, once a week, on Saturday mornings. Friday, as usual, remained earmarked for the congregation practice. A Combined Service was held on the first Monday of every month in the Prep Hall. These services were attended by all the three Wings. All the achievements of the boys were spelt out and certificates and other prizes were given out after each of these services.

Special Services began with the Holy Week Services which were held in the latter part of March. The service began with Palm Sunday, followed by Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services. The Easter Service was held on 1<sup>st</sup> April. As usual, the Chapel looked at its best, adorned with beautiful Easter Lilies, which instilled a feeling of peace in the minds of all present. A special service for the OPA (Kolkata) was held on 26<sup>th</sup> May when they came up to visit and take on the Paulites in a game of Cricket.

On 27<sup>th</sup> May, the Chapel saw around a hundred delegates joining in The National Level Conference organised by The Church of North India Women's Fellowship for Christian Service and Diocesan Women's Fellowship for Christian Service under the Diocese of the Eastern Himalaya Moderator's Episcopal Commissary. The Most Reverend, Dr. Purely Lyngdoh, from the church of North India graced the occasion as the chief guest. The conference ended on 29<sup>th</sup> May.

On 15<sup>th</sup> August, Independence Day, a special service was held to honour India, our Motherland, and pray to God for her. Then, on 5<sup>th</sup> September, a combined Special Service was held in the Prep Hall, for the Teachers, in order to thank them for moulding so many lives that have passed through their hands.

A Special service was held on 13<sup>th</sup> October for the Old Paulite batch of 1994. On 14<sup>th</sup> October, the Commemoration Service was held, after which we had the Annual Speech Day function on the Senior Wing Quad and, when this was over the boys went home for their long-awaited Puja Break.

On 'All Soul's Day', a special service was held, on 2<sup>nd</sup> November, during which wreaths were laid on the graves of Bishop Rt. Revd. Foss Westcott and Father Leblond by the Heads of the three Wings and the Captains.

A special service was held on 11<sup>th</sup> November, in remembrance of those Old Paulites who laid down their lives, for their respective countries, in the great Wars. A special service was held on 14<sup>th</sup> November, on the occasion of Children Day, for the entire School, in the Prep hall.

The long awaited Carol Services were held at the end of the academic year. The Primary Wing Carol Service was held on 17<sup>th</sup> November, while the Junior Wing and Senior Wing Carol Services were held on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> December, respectively. The Chapel was at its best with hundreds of candles lit up and adorned with beautiful Christmas decorations.

This year, the Prizes concerned with the Chapel were awarded to the following boys:

- 1. Moore Divinity Prize (Primary Wing)
- 2. Moore Divinity Prize (Junior Wing)
- 3. Moore Divinity Prize (Senior Wing)
- 4. Best Bible Reader Prize (Junior Wing) :
- 5. Best Bible Reader Prize (Senior Wing) :
- 6. Rotary Social Service Prize (Under-10) :
- 7. OPA Medal for Social Service

Sabbir Ahmed Jerome Ayemi Devrath Madhur Praneet Nischal Tigga Prantar Nandy Rahul Kumar Gupta Harit Kumawat

I would like to thank many people who made it possible for things to move smoothly in the Chapel. First, I would like to thank our Administrator/ Chaplain, Rev. Joy Halder and our Senior Master, Mr. Peter Lepcha, for their support and encouragement throughout the year. Our gratefulness also goes out to Mr. Sudeep G. Pande, our choir Master, for organizing the special services. Mr. O.P. Agarwal, the Estate Manager, and Mr. A.K. Sinha, the Estate Superintendent, and the School gardener and his team for the timely help they have rendered throughout the year. Also, a big "*THANK YOU*" to Mrs. S. Halder, Student Counsellor, for the creative decorations put up during the Carol Services.

Finally, a special thanks to Mr. Michael Dutta, our Master-in-Charge, for his help, guidance and encouragement throughout the year, and to my fellow Wardens who always worked hard to keep the Chapel at its best and to make sure that the Chapel is always the place where we share our joys, and pains, and where we mould our limbs and brains. Thank you all for making it a successful year.

The Chapel remains a point of spiritual strength for all Paulites and, I hope, with the passage of each year this great building builds a home in the heart of every Paulite.

Harit Kumawat Head Chapel Warden, 2018



Clive House 2018

#### CLIVE HOUSE REPORT – 2018.

House Master: Mr. G. Bhattacharya

House Captain: Kanison Jinta-Acharya

Prefect: Arjun Kumar

"FIGHT THY GOOD FIGHT". This we proved, year after year, in our beloved house, CLIVE. With an enthusiastic and energetic bunch of boys we started the year 2018 with absolute belief in our motto "*Keep up the House Spirit*." The bubbling talent among the Clivians was waiting to be translated into practice and the opportunities were waiting to be explored.

The following Sixth Formers of Clive House were assigned with the House responsibilities: Arjun Kumar: Clive House Prefect and Kanison Jinta-Acharya: House Captain, for the year 2018. Their contribution and everlasting support has been truly rewarding to the House.

This year started with soaring spirits and numerous ambitions. The year commenced with the Cricket season. Clive has always been a dominating figure on the cricket field and our boys have shown some great talent on the Cricket field and, this year, once again, our boys displayed some great talent on the Cricket Field. Hritik, Devrath, Arjun and Kanison contributed a lot during this season. This year we were joint winners in both the Basketball and Volleyball Cups. This victory was possible because of tremendous hard work put in by Anuto, Zenden, Lalsingliana, Devrath, Hritik and other Sixth Form boys.

Clive has always been a dominant force in the field of Elocution. This year we won the Bengali Elocution and we also did very well in the English and Hindi Elocution Competitions. Anuto Zhimomi came First in the Senior Prose Section while Devrath Madhur came First in the English and Hindi Elocution.On Speech Day, Devrath Madhur was awarded the Sakraney Medal for 'Best Speaker' in the English Elocution.

Our boys performed fairly well in Marathon, Football and Athletics, and we stood joint winners in the PT Competition. I would specially like to commend Tabish Pervez, Anuto Zhimomi, Zenden, Lalsingliana and our House Captain, Kanison Jinta-Acharya, for their tremendous effort, and contribution, in all these games, though particularly in the field of Cricket, Volleyball, Football and Athletics. Well done to all of you! The House is truly proud of you all.

We had our Annual House Concert on 14<sup>th</sup> July, this year, where we staged the Annual House Play titled "**31 Elliot Street**" written and directed by our House Master, Mr. Gautam Bhattacharya. It was a short and splendid play on a suspense theme. The acting, stage, and background was well appreciated by one and all present in the auditorium. Devrath, Prantar and Anuto acted in the lead roles. They acted with great spirit and confidence, and kept everybody spell bound. The dances put up by class IX's, X's and the Sixth Formers, and quite a few solo songs by Anuto, Zenden and Siddharth were enjoyed thoroughly by the entire audience.

At the Annual Speech Day, Clivians bagged lots of prizes. The special prizes won by our boys are as follows:

Prantar Nandi (XII) –	Bible Reading Prize	
Devrath Madhur (XII)-	Birendra Medal for NCC	
	Sakraney Medal for English Elocution	
Kanison Jinta-Acharya (XII) - Das Studio Prize for Consistent Good Worl		
	Kamlesh Kanti Medal for Photography	
	Darjeeling Photo Stores Medal for Excellence in Photography	
Anuto Zhimomi (XI) –	G.V. Swaika Medal for Drama	
	Adam's Music Medal	

In addition, several boys walked away with 'First' and 'Second' Proficiency Prizes, from different classes. Our heartfelt congratulations to all the prize winners!

This year, on 20<sup>th</sup> November, we had a great House Party. The boys of our House enjoyed themselves, thoroughly, with lively music, spirited dancing and a sumptuous dinner, provided by the generosity of our Sixth Formers.

At the Annual GHD lunch all Cups and Shields were given out for the year, 2018.

On an ending note, I would like to extend my gratitude to the House Prefect, Arjun Kumar and the Sixth Formers Devrath, Lalsingliana, Hritik, Prantar, Agniv and Tubsaeng, without whose constant help and support, this year would not have been a successful year at all. Also, my heart-felt thanks and gratitude goes out to our House Master, Mr. Gautam Bhattacharya, who has always been guiding, encouraging and supporting all Clivians in every sphere of our House activities and day-to-day life. His presence is inspirational for all of us. The two years in Clive have been wonderful and the House has been like a family to me, and all of us. Finally, I wish all my fellow Paulites a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, in advance.

> Kanison Jinta-Acharya, Clive House Captain, 2018

#### HASTINGS HOUSE REPORT – 2018

Mr. M. Dutta Housemaster:

House Captain: Jitesh Singh house Prefect: Raihan Karim

House Tutors: Mr. D. Pradhan Mr. Ranjan Chettri Mr. Sanjive Rai Mr. Rajeev Pradhan

"Something about us makes us different than the others."

The boys of Hastings entered the school with overwhelming zeal and confidence to achieve the best for themselves. The new members of this family were introduced to us in the House Activities where we discovered the flood of talents that had come in.

The responsibilities that were assigned to the 6th formers were.				
Jitesh Singh -	House Captain, Media & Adventure Secretary			
Raihan Karim -	House	Prefect,	Hindi	Secretary
Harit Kumawat -	Head Chapel Warden, Ecological Club			
	Secretary	& Textile Des	sign Secret	tary.
Ganesh Lal Shrestha -	Games			Secretary
Ratan Vatsya -	Philately			Secretary
Suraj Biswa Karm -	Nepali			Secretary

The family, with the entry of the new talents in class 9 and 11, grew stronger and began the year with a bang. With the guidance of Raihan Karim, Hastings made a clean sweep in Cricket, without losing a single match, in all 3 Elevens. The performance of Raihan Karim and Anshal Anand was something worth watching, and the two were rightly awarded Major and Minor colours, respectively.

The Bengali Elocution did not come in our favour, this year. The Debating team of Hastings consisting of Jitesh Singh, Roshan Kumar, Ishant Bhattarai, Purav Mukhia and Harsh Vardhan gave their best performance, on stage, but did not manage to bring in the shield, this year.

However, on the games field, the boys did what they do best. The Volleyball Cup was won, in spite of the team facing injuries. Similarly, the Basketball Cup also came into our hands.

The first House concert of the year was performed by Hastings. The standard of performances, and ambience in the hall, set a higher standard for the other Houses that they couldn't cope with, unfortunately. The House play was directed by Jitesh Singh and Mr. Sanjive Rai, which was their



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own adaption named "**Over Cooked**". The performance of the five actors in the play, namely - Jitesh Singh, Raihan Karim, Ishant Bhattarai, Ishant Pathak and Leighton David Aaron was highly appreciated by the whole school.

The Football matches were conducted, and the boys performed their best on the field, and we were placed second. In the Athletics season the boys proved unbeatable in the Tug-o-War making them the 'MIGHTIEST'. The performances of Shivam Kundu, Aryan Jaiswal, Anmol Deep Rai, Leighton David Aaron and Rahul Gupta were highly appraised. Same said for the Marathon runs, as we stood 2<sup>nd</sup>. The Table-Tennis matches, too, did not seem to be in our favour and, in spite of winning all our Doubles matches, we emerged as runners up. Here again, the performances of Hamza Khan and Aryan Jaiswal were highly appreciated. We stood second in Badminton, too, although Atiwit Chomchalao of Hasting was awarded 'Minor Colours'. The first Inter-House Chess matches were conducted this year, and Harsh Vardhan of class 10 stood first, winning all matches in the Junior Division.

In Quiz, we put up an amazing performance and did not leave any doubts as we stood first for both the rounds and won the Cup. Himanshu Dutta was awarded the prize for the 'Brain of St. Paul's' and, it was largely due to his hard work that the House brought home the Cup. The Tennis Cup was ours for the keeping, due to the valiant efforts of Leighton David Aaron who, singlehandedly, bludgeoned and smashed his way past all his opponents and won all his matches.

The 196<sup>th</sup> Annual Speech Day was conducted on 14<sup>th</sup> October. The following boys received various Academic and Special prizes and medals: Jitesh Singh (XII) - Sahgal Accountancy Prize.

Raihan Karim (XII) - 'Best Actor' Medal (Hindi).

Ratan Vatsya (XII) - 2<sup>nd</sup> Proficiency Prize & Clarke Geography Medal.

Roshan Kumar (XII) - Progress and Application Prize.

Harit Kumawat (XII) - Robin Banerjee Life Science Prize.

Ganesh Lal Shrestha (XII) - 'Best Actor' Medal (Nepali).

Raghav Gutgutia (XII) - Rector's Medal.

Suraj Biswa Karma (XI) - The Ajit Singh Lamba Award for 'Good Conduct'.

Himanshu Dutta (X) - 1<sup>st</sup> Proficiency Prize

Maj. Bhatnagar Medal for the 'Brain of St. Paul's'.

Ayutemjen C. Jamir (X) - Nilima Bose Medal for 'Excellence in Theatre'.

Rahul Kumar Gupta (X) - Darjeeling Rotary Medal for Social Service (Under-X).

Atiwit Chomchalao (X) -Second Proficiency Prize.Harsh Vardhan (X) -G.J. Shaw Medal for 'Best All-rounder' (Under-X).Ishant Bhattarai (IX) -1st Proficiency Prize.Hridaii Raj Chettri -K.L. Pradhan Medal for scoring Highest marks in Economics (ICSE '18).

Imliwabang Jamir - Rai Bahadur D.N. Singh Medal – ISC '18 Hum.

The year had almost come to an end but the boys couldn't go home without another victory and they brought in the P.T Cup to complete their tally.

This year, unlike the last few years, proved to be victorious for Hastings. Though we couldn't be the best House, in terms of points, at the end of the year, we surely were the 'Best House', in the larger sense, as all the boys, and Tutors of the House, worked together, as a family, and brought in 7 cups and a smile on 51 faces.

This family wouldn't be complete without the support of the two pillars in the House. Mr. Rajeev Pradhan and Mr. Sanjive Rai worked tremendously and gave their time and effort for the House. Added to that, the efforts of our House Master, Mr. Michael Dutta, without whom the 'Extraordinary Ingredient' of the House is missing.

To conclude, I would like to thank my House Prefect, Raihan Karim, and all the Sixth Formers, without whom it would have been impossible to pull off the year efficiently.

My four years in Hastings have added a special touch towards my stay in St. Paul's as it is not just a House, that we cherish here, but a small family that makes its bonds stronger with every activity. I'm sure that next year the House will emerge victorious in every field and work harder towards the success of this family.

> Jitesh Singh Hastings House Captain, 2018

#### HAVELOCK HOUSE REPORT-2018

House Master:Mr. Vincent N. VarkeyHouse Captain: Gaurav SinghHouse Tutors:Mr. S. G. PandePrefects: Ankit GuptaMr. P. S. ChaturvediVorameth KajonrungsilpMr. Y. SunamMrs. P. Srivastava

As the year comes to an end, one sits back and takes stock of all the achievements, and short-comings, that we came across in the various activities. A good haul of boys from class IX to XII was our first achievement.

We were very fortunate in having Gaurav Singh as our House Captain, and also the School Captain. Assisting him, ably, were

Ankit Gupta and Vorameth Kajonrungsilp as the House Prefects. Each one of these boys discharged their duties well. Congratulations!

Although on paper we had the best teams in Cricket, we narrowly lost the shield. The third XI team which had capable players, unfortunately lost all their matches. The spirit wasn't lost yet. Havelock lifted the other two shields – Football and Athletics; which was creditable. The other cups we won were Hindi Elocution, Marathon, Squash, Table-Tennis, Badminton (shared) and Chess. Congratulations to all the boys who contributed towards these wins. Finally, the jubilation began when we were announced as the winner of the most prestigious shield, '**THE SIKKIM SHIELD**', for excellence in the field of academics. The credit goes to all the geniuses from the junior and senior classes as the prize winner's list vouch for it.

Proficiency Prizes:

- Aditya Kumar (9B)
- Aryan Thakur (10A)
- Nikhilesh Raj (10B)
- Sanskar Chandra (10C)
- Satwik Shekhar (10C)
- Fardeen Y. Mazhari (11 Hum.)
- Sunny Sinha (12 Science)

Special Prizes:

Gaurav Singh

- Progress and Application
- First Proficiency
- Second Proficiency
- First Proficiency
- Second Proficiency
- First Proficiency
- First Proficiency
- Rudra Hindi Medal
- Kothari Physical Science Medal
- Best All Rounder (OPA Medal)



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	<ul> <li>Atanu Bhattacharjee Memorial Cricket Medal</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>– K.K Mukherjee Medal (Best All-rounder 12)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Bishop's Medal</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>School Captain's Medal</li> </ul>
Fardeen Y Mazhari	<ul> <li>K.L Pradhan Medal (ICSE Economics)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Leslie Goddard Medal (ICSE)</li> </ul>
	– Renuka Dey Proficiency Medal (ICSE) – Rahoul Music Medal
Amirsha Mondal	<ul> <li>Anil Chaudhury Art Medal</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Best Artist Medal</li> </ul>
Jaskaran Singh Wasu	<ul> <li>Rs Prasad Computer Medal</li> </ul>
	– Karan Majumdar GK Medal
Vorameth Kajonrungsilp	<ul> <li>Gal Gregory Mathematics Medal</li> </ul>
Satwik Shekhar	<ul> <li>Luv Kumar Ecological Studies Medal</li> </ul>
Sunny Sinha	<ul> <li>Mazumdar Science Medal</li> </ul>

We had our House Concert staged on the 27<sup>th</sup> of July, and it was a grand success. The boys worked hard and made it a delightful display to the audience. They put up a comedy "Allo Allo" which showed that there is no dearth of actors in Havelock House and the performance was enjoyed by all. The talented boys had their share of songs and dances which added on to the enjoyment factor of the concert.

On a happy note, we ended the glorious year by having a few House Parties, with the Sixth Forms and the House Tutors, and also the entire House with the House Master.

I would like to express my gratitude to Gaurav, Ankit and Vorameth for having looked after, and motivated, the boys. I would also like to thank the House Tutors for the help they have given so willingly at all times.

Finally to the boys of class X who will be leaving and to all the Sixth Forms, I say a fond goodbye and wish you every success in all your future endeavours.

Mr. Vincent N. Varkey Havelock House Master, 2018



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#### LAWRENCE HOUSE REPORT, 2018

House Master: Mr. Mahesh C. Kharga

House Captain: Debojyoti Dey House Prefect: Harsh Sarraf

#### "Well done is better than well said." – Benjamin Franklin.

The boys of Lawrence House started this year with great enthusiasm in the hope of achieving higher things in academics, sports and in stage activities, too.

In the first term, the Cricket season started in earnest and our House came second, in the running for the Cricket Shield. A special mention has to be made of three boys of our House, who were awarded Minor Colours in Cricket, for their exemplary performance at the Inter-School level – Aman Vats, Avideep Sahu and Md. Ramiz. Lawrence House is proud of your achievement!

In other sports, in the first term, our boys did well in the Inter-House Basketball matches, where we emerged as joint winners, ably led by our Basketball Captain, Kevizhapu Vihienouo. Our Volleyball team also displayed a well-rounded performance and, again, we emerged as the joint winners of the Cup.

In the Bengali and Nepali Elocution, we were placed in the second position, by a very narrow margin. In the Hindi Elocution, too, we put up a good performance.

However, we showed our real mettle in the Inter-House Debates by emerging victorious and, thus, winning the coveted Debating Shield for this year. Noteworthy contributions came from Dipanjan Biswas, the House Captain, Debojyoti Dey, and Neirav Giri, who also got the 'Best Debater' prize.

In the second term, too, we continued with our winning streak. The Inter-House English Elocution was held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of July and we became the winners of the English Elocution Cup, adding another feather to our cap.

On the games field, a special mention has to be made of Yeshi Dorjee who stood second in the Inter-House Marathon, and also got the 'Best Under-X Footballer Award' for the second consecutive year. Well done, and congratulations to him!

The most awaited event of the year, for the boys of Lawrence House, however, was their Annual House Concert which was scheduled for the 25<sup>th</sup> of August, 2018. The name of the play was '*Larins Sahib*', a prizewinning historical play about Sir Henry Lawrence, and the British in India, written by Gurcharan Das. The play was based on the real events that unfolded, in the Punjab, in the 1840's, in which the main characters were Sir Henry Lawrence, Maharaja Dalip Singh and Rani Jindan. The lead roles being taken by the House Captain, Debojyoti Dey, as Larins Sahib, Hamaad Hanif, as Dalip Singh, Md. Imtesal, as Rani Jindan, Harsh Sarraf and Sparsh Anand. The play was much appreciated by one and all. Overall, the concert was a glorious evening of songs, dances and, of course, the play, followed by a sumptuous House Supper with a special item in the menu – piping hot biryani, coming all the way from Arsalan, Siliguri.. My gratitude to Clive House for all their cooperation and support.

In academics, we were, overall, placed second in the running for the coveted Sikkim Shield.

Lastly, I would like to take this opportunity to thank each student of the House, and the House tutors, too, for their valuable contribution towards the completion of another successful year.

Moniti Meliora Sequamur

Mr. Mahesh C. Kharga Lawrence House Master, 2018





The Junior Wing Monitors, 2018, with Mr. P. Lama (HJW).



Anderson House 2018

#### **ANDERSON HOUSE REPORT – 2018**

House Master: Mr. Rakesh Rai

House Tutors: Dr. (Mrs.) Anusheela Rai

Mr. Genesis G. Dutta

Mr. Marcian Joshi

Mrs. Pramila Gurung Rai

School reopened on the 4<sup>th</sup> of March. House activities were held on the 21<sup>st</sup> of March. This helped the boys to build a sense of camaraderie among them.

This year was a mixed bag for the House. We won some major cups and lost some. Perhaps we were complacent in some fields that made us pay the price.

This year, we jointly put up the House concert with Betten House. It was a thoroughly entertaining show. The boys performed a number of dances and songs along with the play entitled 'A Dollar' directed by Mr. P. Tamang. The concert was followed by a sumptuous dinner which was enjoyed by everyone.

Overconfidence ruined our chances of grabbing our hands on the Cricket Cup. In spite of having a good team, the boys could not fare well. Undermining the opponent was the main factor. It was a lesson to learn for the boys. I hope they will remember it and never commit such errors in future.

The boys were very quick to learn from their mistakes. They outplayed their opponents on the Basketball court and made sure that the trophy did not go into the hands of any of the opponent Houses. Well done boys! We were committed on the Volleyball court, as well, but, this time, the opponents were better than us and we couldn't do well. With the Football season commencing, the boys once again showed a lot of enthusiasm on the field and brought the trophy home.

The boys displayed their debating skills but, once again, the opponent Houses got the better of us. We couldn't do well in Quiz, either.

Soon, the Marathon season began and the boys ran well in the practice runs. Then, on the final day, the boys again left the opponents far behind, leading by a huge number. The Athletics season began immediately after this and the boys were seen honing their skills on the top field. They gave off their best in the 'Standards' and the 'Championship', but the better team won the cup.

Having a strong Badminton team meant that no House could contest against us, and it was a comfortable win. Special credit goes to Phatthadon

Suwanpattanawech, Ahnaf Porosh Patwary and Abhay Kumar who displayed their excellent Badminton skills and helped the House win the cup. Great job boys! We narrowly lost the Tennis-Tennis Cup, after having contested very well, though.

The following boys won Prizes on the Speech Day:

Aman Kumar 6 A	First Proficiency
Abedin Zainul 7 A	Second Proficiency
Maythungkorn Thongjeen 7 A	Progress and Application
Safin Roka 8 B	Progress and Application
Tanjir Mali 8 C	Disawala Prize for Best Actor.

As the year comes to an end, I would like to congratulate all the boys of the House for their contribution in various ways and helping the House win a number of trophies. My best wishes to the boys of class 8, who will be moving up to the Senior Wing. I hope the boys of classes 6 and 7 will come back, refreshed, next year and show a lot of enthusiasm in all fields and help the House win laurels. I would like to thank the House tutors, Dr. (Mrs.) Anusheela Rai, Mr. Genesis G. Dutta, Mr. Marcian Joshi and Mrs. Pramila Gurung Rai for their help and support. I would also like to thank Mr. P. Lama, HJW, for his help and guidance.

> *Mr.* Rakesh Rai House Master, 2018



#### **BETTEN HOUSE REPORT, 2018**

HouseMaster: Mr. P. Tamang House Tutors: Mrs. P. Bhattacharya Dr. K.R.K. Singh Mr. B. Gurung Mr. D. Thinley

After a long winter vacation, the school reopened on 4<sup>th</sup> March, 2018. The old boys returned to school on this day and the new boys joined the school two days later, i.e. 6<sup>th</sup> March, 2018. Three weeks went by and then the House activities took place on 21<sup>st</sup> March. Various games were played, followed by delicious snacks. On this occasion, the new and the old boys had an opportunity to intermingle and build a strong bond among themselves.

The Cricket season started, soon after, along with Basketball and Volleyball, in the month of March.

On 28<sup>th</sup> March, the first round of the Karanjai Quiz was held. Rigzen P. Bhutia, Othniel R. Daniel, and Aidan S. Dennis stood first in this round. However, after the second and third rounds, we secured second position in the Quiz. Rigzen P. Bhutia was adjudged the 'Best Quizzer' of Junior Wing for 2018.

The Debates, for the Junior Wing, started from 4<sup>th</sup> April. The Debating team, from Betten House, consisted of five boys, namely - Rigzen P. Bhutia, Othniel R. Daniel, Om Anand, Sheeladitya Rai and Samiran Sapkota. The team performed successfully in various rounds; won against Anderson and Cable but, eventually, lost against Westcott.

Raman Pratap represented the School, in the Under-14 Cricket Tournament, and played very well. His presence boosted the confidence of the entire House Cricket team. We stood second in the Cricket House matches.

It was time for us to prepare for the major play. Betten House, along with Anderson House produced the play entitled "*A Dollar*" that was staged along with various entertainment programmes. It was thoroughly enjoyed by one and all. The main characters of the play, from Betten House, were Othniel, Kupuka, Amritansh Kashyap, Krish Jain and Om Anand. Besides this, Samiran, Jubair, Arnav, Navojyoti, Rigzen, Yashash Raj and Aidan Dennis participated in the Junior Wing production - "*The Hysterical History of the Trojan War*", directed by Mr. A. Dennis, and all the Bettenites gave their best performance to make it a great success.



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The Elocution contests were held in different languages. Aditya, Mitthu Kumar, and Om represented the House in Hindi Elocution. Rigzen, Othniel and Aidan participated in the English Elocution, in the month of July, and were the winners. Othniel also took part in N.M. Master English Elocution, held at Loreto Convent, and performed very well. Jubair represented the school in Inter-School Bengali Elocution.

The Marathon season began after the Independence Day celebration. It seemed that luck was not in our favour as we were unable to win the cup, in spite of our relentless effort. The Athletics season did not bring us good luck, either. We had, with us, one of the star athletes, Shaurya Sahu, but we still failed to perform good enough to be the winner.

However, it is our great pleasure to mention the names of the following boys who made the House proud on Speech Day, held on  $14^{th}$  October on the School quadrangle.

Rishav Kashyap (VI B)	1 <sup>st</sup> Proficiency Prize
Buno Sonam (VI B)	2 <sup>nd</sup> Proficiency Prize
Om Anand (VII C)	2 <sup>nd</sup> Proficiency Prize
Aidan Dennis (VII B)	2 <sup>nd</sup> Proficiency Prize
Aayan Mali (VIII C)	Progress and Application
Rigzen Bhutia (VIII C)	Best Quizzer, Best Elocutionist, Best Musician
Itsara Thiangtham (VIIIA)	Best Artist
Samiran Sapkota (VIII C)	Best Actor

When the classes resumed, after the Puja break, Basketball, Volleyball, and Badminton House matches were played. Our House secured second position in Table-Tennis, third position in Badminton and fourth position in Basketball. Betten House shared its victory cup with Cable House by winning the second round of the PT Competition.

With all these activities being over, the boys settled to prepare for their Final Term Examinations. We had 'the best of times' when we won and the 'worst of times' when we lost, in several matches, tournaments and the competitions. This is, however, an inevitable part of our life. We all know that we learn more, and better, from our failures than successes. I hope our boys have learnt that success does not come easy and that one has to make a good deal of effort to succeed. These bitter-sweet experiences in their student lives will definitely help them build up their personality and face challenges in life. They can keep marching on with their heads held high in good spirit. I wish them all a great success. I would like to express my thanks to Mr. P. Lama, Head of Junior Wing, for his constant support and guidance to my House. My thanks are also due to my colleagues, Mrs. P. Bhattacharya, Mr. B. Gurung, Mr. D. Thinley and Dr. K.R.K. Singh, for their willing support and full cooperation. Let me sincerely thank my House Monitors Samiran Sapkota, Jubair Mahmud and Shaurya Sahu for being loyally helpful to me and working as a good team.

Mr. P. Tamang House Master, 2018



## CABLE HOUSE REPORT, 2018

House Master: Mr. Agnelo Dennis House Tutors: Mrs. S. Dwivedi Mr. S. Roy Mrs. S. Allay

2017, was one of those years that saw politics at its best in Darjeeling: the king makers and the pawn brokers trying to outwit each other. It was no less than George R. R. Martin's 'Game of Thrones'

2018, began, in Darjeeling, with much trepidation – was the game over or was there just a lull...? We wouldn't know, nor would we, about the future of our school – St. Paul's. Would the students return or would they not? Would we get new admissions or would we not? The first two weeks of March were alarming with most of our students having not returned and the new ones yet to join. The dining hall, for one, revealed a contrast: only three tables of each house were occupied. We were apprehensive, yet confident, that if March passed peacefully we would be back with our strength. By the beginning of April the scenario seemed comforting – old boys and new boys had more or less made up our numbers for the year and we were upbeat, once again, to educate the future of our country and of the world.

Education is a liberating force and we Cableians joined hands during our House Activities to take the pledge to liberate ourselves from ignorance and apathy.

The students began the year with gusto: devoting more than enough time to their academics, and it began to show in their progress. Each student was competing, not as much with others as with himself.

When one delves into oneself, in order to realize where one's true potential is, then one is able to overcome the odds. We Cableians, did just that; we competed with ourselves and, in doing so, strengthened our skills which then make it difficult for our opponents to overcome our skills.

It was evident on the Cricket field when we outplayed our opponents to win the first cup of the year with ease; there was no competition. Tenzing Tashi and team bowled, batted and fielded with great maturity. We bagged the second cup, Volleyball, at the beginning of the year but had to wait for the formalities to be completed at the end of the year as the matches, for reasons unfathomable, could not be completed at thatperiod of time. Yet, our rhythm was not broken. Nikesh Kharel and team spiked their way home.I cannot say the same for Basketball and Badminton – two disciplines which were supposed to have been completed towards the beginning of the year, as well, were only organized at the fag-end of the year, and quite haphazardly. We were unable to maintain our rhythm as some



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of the boys did not know that the games were being played, and missed out, resulting in us being placed second best. I hope the head looks into such anomaly and does not allow indiscipline to creep in.

Not just as House Master, but as a human being, I am one for Discipline and never compromise on it. I insist on Discipline in myself, and in my students, too, for without discipline we are bound to lose our way. Thus, we Cableians were on the right path: disciplined and focused. Nikesh Kharel, Tenzing Tashi, Bidhya Sagar Chettri, Thanakrit, Ayushman Basu.Raghav Padia, Sahil Sharma and team burned the tracks and singed the field events in Athletics to secure ourselves the Athletics Standards and the Athletics Champions trophies. Staying focused, and maintaining concentration, on a sport that requires it the most we were able to also win the Table-Tennis cup.Grit and determination, enhanced by sheer will and the required skill to overcome the odds, took us to greater heights. We were not yet satisfied with our achievements for we had set out at the beginning of the year in order to liberate ourselves and that is just what we did: we kept strictly to the rules and regulations that governed us and donned the Discipline title. It was clearly evident by now that Cable was the superior house.

We further strengthened our superiority in academics through our performances in all the examinations to lift the Most Studious House Trophy. We were ecstatic, by now, evidently from the fact that it was only a matter of time before the Crown was placed on our heads.

Yet, we had our heads on our shoulders, knowing full well that the head that wears the crown shows the way. We had shown the way to achieving success: "And the Best House 'The Solomon Cup', for the Umpteenth Time, goes to - Cable House!" The legacy carries on; we have raised the bar quite high.

It was a good year for Cable house and, in general, for Darjeeling. There



was Joy all around. As we leave 2018 with the best of weather here, we look forward to an even better year.

I am ever grateful to the class eights, who were well disciplined and contributed significantly; to the monitors, Aditya Roy and Ayushman Newar, who were the pillars of strength and to the House Tutors who in their small ways contributed towards the success of the House.

'Moniti Meliora Sequamur'.

Mr. Agnelo Dennis House Master, 2018



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## WESTCOTT HOUSE REPORT, 2018

House Master: Mr. Mahendra Mukhia House Tutors: Miss N. Pandit Mr. Rajiv Das

The academic calendar of 2018-2019 session was a very successful and fruitful one for the entire Paulite fraternity. The young Paulites reported back to school on the  $4^{th}$  of March, 2018. The legacy of the Westcottians was endowed with substantial responsibilities at their very joining.

The new boys were then enrolled on the  $7^{th}$  of March, 2018. Chosen from the body were the monitors who were, namely, Aryan Lapung and Nikhil Kumar, both of standard Eight.

With the commencement of the session, we witnessed the Cricket season initiating the co-curricular activities, followed by the Volleyball and Basketball fixtures; where we placed ourselves in the Second position.

In the literary scenario, the Debate Competition elevated the House to the First position in all the three rounds. The Westcottians fluttered their flag high to mark a moment of sheer victory. The names of the participants were as following: Sebastian Vincent (VIII), Praneet Tigga (VIII), Mananjay Luke Mukhia (VII) and Gaurav Chowdhury (VI). In addition, the Westcottians also won the Inter-House Hindi Elocution Cup for the year 2018.

This was followed by the commencement of the Summer Break. At the rejoining, thereafter, we focused upon the Football Tournament. Our boys of the First XI invested their optimum, and played very well, indeed, but, due to a twist in fate, we ended up securing the Third position.

On the 4<sup>th</sup> of August, 2018, we united with Cable House to produce the most astounding Concert, this year, captioned "*The Clever Lawyer*". Jerome Ayemi, Premjit Basumatary Arko Karmakar and Ayush Gupta shouldered the role of actors, and performed spectacularly, making the show a great hit.

After Independence Day celebrations the Marathon season began and the boys were busy in their practice runs. The Marathon Finals were held on 31<sup>st</sup> August, and the boys of Westcott House performed well across all the divisions. Immediately after the Marathon, the Athletics season commenced, and the boys, once again, showed some great spirit on the field, in all the events, but, unfortunately, the House could not win either of the cups on offer.

On Speech Day, the following boys made the House proud by their academic achievements:

Laha Najam Khan (VII B) :	1 <sup>st</sup> Proficiency Prize.
Praneet Tigga (VIII C) :	1 <sup>st</sup> Proficiency Prize,
	K.N. Saghal Prize for Bible Reading.
Mahmood Suayeb Sabab (VIII A) :	2 <sup>nd</sup> Proficiency Prize.
Thitipong Wongmuang (VIII A) :	Progress & Application Prize.
Arko Karmakar (VIII C) :	Progress & Application Prize.
Rishit Dutta (VII C) :	N.S. Memorial Medal for Good Conduct in Class VII.
Mananjay Luke Mukhia (VII C) :	Dawa Norbu Medal for Debating.
Jerome Ayemi (VIII C) :	Moore Divinity Prize.
Nikhil Kumar (VIII C) :	Gayatri Kanti Prize for Consistent Academic Achievement.
The year 2018 has been quite lucky	for Westcott House for it has expe

The year, 2018, has been quite lucky for Westcott House for it has experienced success in many activities. It is largely because everyone got involved, and contributed towards the success. My special thanks are due to the House Tutors: Mr. A.R. Mukhia, Ms. N. Pandit and Mr. R. Das for their kind cooperation. I would also like to thank my House Monitors: Aryan Lapung and Nikhil Kumar for their support.

Last, but not the least, I must express my sincere gratitude to Mr. P. Lama (HJW), for his constant support and guidance.

Mr. Mahendra Mukhia Westcott House Master, 2018





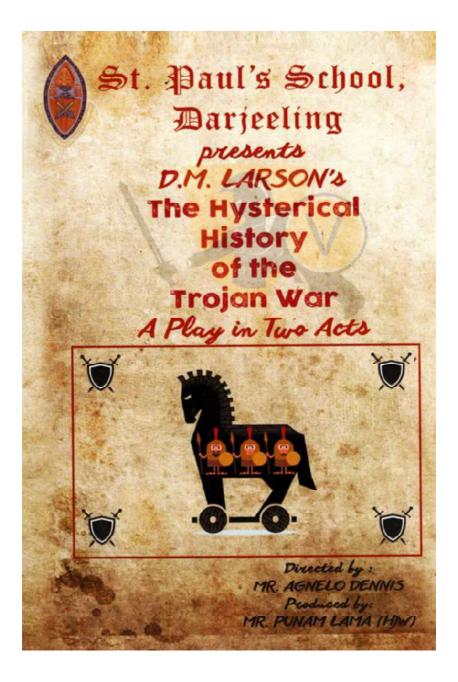
The Junior Wing English Elocutionists, 2018 with Mr. A. Dennis.



The Junior Wing Karanjai Quizzards, 2018 with Mr. Angelo Alva (HPW).



The Junior Wing Debaters, 2018 with Ms. N. Pandit.



#### Synopsis

"This is the war that never ends. Some people started fighting it not knowing what it was, and they'll continue fighting it forever just because...."

Ancient history will get a hilarious new twist when the Juniors of St. Paul's School, Darjeeling enact "The Hysterical History of Troy".

D.M. Larson's comedy gets creative with chronology as we see the Trojan War get sparked by Helen. She's tired of her life in Sparta. She runs away to Troy with her love, Paris.

Battles are fought, gods get involved, dance numbers are staged. All your favourite classical Greek characters come alive in this comedy about the epic Trojan War. Yes, there will be a horse.

The play is a hilarious retelling of the Trojan War, featuring wacky Greek Gods with mobile phones and the blind writer Homer and his homies narrating the events before and during the war.

A modern twist to an old setting. You will surely need to choose which side you are on through the play as the Trojans and the Spartans will want your support and your war cry during the play.

Act - 9 - Paris and Helen run to Troy

Act - 99 - Spartans come calling

# Dramatis Personae

In order of their appearance

Poseidon	:	Jubair Mahmud
Paris	:	Aarash Amir Doha
Helen	:	Tanjir Mali
Casandra	:	Vishwaraj Shah
Apollo	:	Sebastian Vincent
Zeus	:	Praneet Nishal Tigga
Athena	:	Samiran Sapkota
Hera	:	Thitiwuth Thirawuth
Hector	:	Ananta Shah
Odyseuss	:	Aditya Roy
Ajax	:	Nikesh Kharel
Guard	:	Nikhil Kumar
LordAgamemnon	:	Rudra Pratap Singh
Achilles	:	Rigzen P. Bhutia
Patroclus	:	Likha Bond
King Menelaus	:	Tanishka Meharia
Homer	:	Bidhya Sagar Chettri
Homerettes	:	Aidan Shermon Dennis
	:	Kupuka Isaac Zhimomi
	:	Bipul Chakraborty
	:	Arnav Sharma
Fort Guards	:	Apoora Kharga
	:	Ayushman Newar
	:	Arnav Chomal
	:	Borno Das
	:	Swayam Kumar
	:	Itsara Thiangtham

Spartan Soldiers		Ayushman Basu
Ĩ		Navjyoti Pramanick
	:	Darsh Bubna
	:	Safin Roka
	:	Tashi Tamang
	:	Tausheen Molla
Spartan Cheer Leaders	:	Apoorv Kashyap
1	:	Aditya Saroha
	:	Rishit Kumar Dutta
	:	Om Anand Singh
	:	Raghav Padia
	:	Krish Jain
	:	Swmaosar Muchahary
	:	Sahil Haque
	:	Gurveer Singh Lamba
	:	Aditya Saroha
Trojan Cheer Leaders	:	Jigmee Nuru Sherpa
	:	Jerome Ayemi
	:	Rohan Mondal
	:	Sheeladitya Rai
	:	Thanathat Wongasapaiboon
	:	Riyaz Sarkar
	:	Himanshu Gupta
	:	Rajat Thakur
	:	Abhishek Goswami
	:	Pranav Pokharel
Curtains	:	Suprabal Bhattarai
Prompters	:	Surja Anirban Hassan
Set & Design	:	Mr. A. Dennis

Musical Effect	•	Mr. A. Dennis
Lights and Sound	:	A.V. Department
0	:	Mr. Rajiv Pradhan
	:	Mr. Marcian Joshi
Hair makeup	:	Dr. (Mrs.) Anusheela Rai
1	:	Mrs. Neelima Pandit
	:	Mrs. Sindhu Dwivedi
	:	Mrs. Shivani Alley
	:	Mrs. Proma Bhattacharya
	:	Mrs. Pramila Rai
Video & Stills	:	Mr. Marcian Joshi
	:	Mr. Rajiv Das
Invitation	:	Mr. Marcian Joshi
Programme Sheet		
Properties	:	Mrs. B. Chettri
	:	Mrs. S. Vincent
	:	Mrs. K. Lama
	:	Mr. M. Mukhia
	:	Mr. P. Tamang
	:	Mr. R. Rai with the Boys
	:	Mr. Genesis Dutta with
	:	Mr. D. Thinley
Usherer	:	Shammakh Ahmad Khan
	:	Mr. K.R.K. Singh
	:	Mr. Roy
	:	Mr. B. Gurung

Thank You

## JUNIOR WING ANNUAL DRAMA PRODUCTION - 2018 FROM THE DIRECTOR'S HEART

Directing a play, especially for one untrained in this field, is like carrying the Universe; yet Olympus would not have me do so. Hercules is best suited for it. Hercules, one has to become, in order to direct a play in St. Paul's School, Darjeeling; innumerable obstacles one has to overcome before a play can be staged. The love one has for the institution and for the students is what blinds one.

Being blinded by my love for the institution, or probably for the children, I set out on the course, as Hercules to obtain the impossible. Giving the selection much thought I zeroed in on a comedy; a genre most difficult to direct. 'Difficult is my next name' not Trinity.

I travelled the world through the annals and came to rest on Poseidon's shores. Poseidon was most hospitable to me and absolutely reassuring. Being convinced by the God of the Oceans I baptized myself in his waters and set sail to rediscover the great city called 'Troy!'

I chanced upon Homer when my vessel docked on the shores of the Aegean Sea. I would not have believed my eyes if I had not been introduced to this great personality. Truly, I was blindfolded – not dumbfoundedfor Homer could speak. He impressed upon me with his work on the Trojan War as a 'Spoof'. I was taken aback; how could I dare change his outlook. Practical as Homer was, he led me to D. M. Larson who had written such a script and also had staged it. Following technology and the permission put forth by the playwright, I took the liberty of getting the script off the cloud – Homer was in splits: not by what I did but by what technology had done: converted hardcopy into softcopy and made it available to anyone anywhere. Thus began the Spoof on the Trojan War and Homer was most excited to see how we at St. Paul's would uphold the spirit of the Epic, through a twist titled ' The Hysterical History of The Trojan War'.

I was hysterical on reading the script for it was a class apart and D. M. Larson's skill is second to none. I could immediately visualize the characters even before I had them audition for the same. The difficult part was to get children of the ages eleven to thirteen to go back in time; conceptualize the background; visualize the events; know the characters and adapt accordingly to fit into the role.

It was amazing to note how confidently the children blended into their characters and brought to life some of our favourite characters: Helen, for one, who broke the norms in existence at that time and age giving women true reasons to live rather than succumb to treachery. So true was her ideology that an entire nation defended it. And so did Tanjir Mali who played the part of Helen. He portrayed the female character to perfection in grace, poise, attitude and charm. In the presence of the Goddess Athena (played by Samiran Sapkota), and Xena (played by Titiwut), Helen held her ground.

Athena, i.e. Samiran Sapkota, had a competitor. Yet, he, as Athena, was outstanding. He was a natural: he was the life of the play, displaying acting skills hitherto hidden in him. The spirit of Athena was visible and alive. He had the audience spell bound with his impromptu improvisation. The actor in him was born and I acknowledged his skills with the Best Actor Trophy in the Junior Wing.

As Xena, the warrior princess, Titiwut played a commendable part and was able to deliver satisfactorily. He was the first student from Thailand who was able to get through the auditions and display his skills on stage.

Complementing the female characters were Aarash Amir Doha as Prince of Troy, Ananta Saha as Hector, Aditya Roy as Odysseus, Rigzen P. Bhutia as Achilles, Nikesh Kharel as Ajax, Tanishk Meharia as Menelaus and Rudra Pratap Singh as Agamemnon. They overtook the stage with enthusiasm, sometimes being quite realistic in acting and most of the times too involved in warring with each other that they even lost the plot and were completely carried away. The audience thought them to be quite funny and were often in peals of laughter. As set out with the idea of comedy – the characters had achieved their goal – 'No Boredom' – 'Pure Entertainment'.

The entertainment did not end with the over enthusiastic characters; it reached its zenith of no control with the Gods Zeus (Praneet Nischal Tigga), Apollo (Sebastian Vincent) and Poseidon (Jubair Mahmud). There was thunder and lightning produced by Zeus through all the modern technology; was replicated by Poseidon and to top it all mobile phones with the famous apple iPhone ringtones and conversations between Apollo and Zeus set the stage on fire and the audience gasping for air for such was their inability to control their laughter. The Gods and Goddesses were high-tech. Not to forget Apollo directing the arrow into Achilles' heel. Oh! Comedy at its best.

Just when one thought that one had one's heart contented is when Nikhil Kumar as a sentry with his dry humour further added to the fun and the comic timing. Such was also the added amusement rendered by the soldiers whose weapons seemed to be constantly getting stuck at doors and delaying their response.

That was enough for a span of thirty minutes of laughter that the human body could take, or was it ... being in the convulsive state that we all were in, the stomach, the jaws, the facial muscles and the tear glands were all exercised to the fullest. At this juncture of fulfillment, Homer (Bidhya Sagar Chettri) and his Hommies (Aidan Shermon Dennis, Bipul Bidut Chakraborty, Arnav Sharma and Kupuka Ayemi) with dark glares like the blind leading the blind; putting the entire story of the Trojan War to the tune of the 'Brady Bunch', and to Queen's ever popular, "We Will, We Will, Rock You". The audience was rocked to their core. Never had they been entertained so thoroughly in their life, said Anjana, a member of the audience, and also wondered if it could have been done – 'Once More! Once More!'

Truly, not 'tom tomming' or 'Blowing my trumpet', or if I am 'why not!' The students were extraordinary in their performances to keep the audience enthralled and bemused. The costumes transported us all back in time. The stage was appropriate and effective with the Trojan Wall and the Ocean Waves. The final touch was given by the 'Trojan Horse'. It was a power packed comedy living up to the entertainment it promised. Never had St. Paul's witnessed a like of its kind.

No special effects; no extravagant stage setting; no unnecessary background music and no shouting aloud. It was only acting; pure straight forward acting.

This is my (Agnelo Dennis') take on it.



#### PRIMARY WING REPORT – 2018

The year 2017 came to a close with the 'Carol Service' which was held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> November, followed by a sumptuous feast spread out for all the staff, students and parents of the PW, along with some special invitees. However, unlike other years, no one was permitted to head off home as the 'Main Attraction' was for the parents to witness their children put up their performance of "BEAUTY IS A BEAST", especially for them, and then attend the Annual Speech Day function of the PW on the 24<sup>th</sup> of November, where Mrs. Norbu of Himalayan Nursery School, Darjeeling, graced the occasion of both functions as 'Chief Guest'. Once these were over, the boys were issued their exeats and proceeded on their long winter vacation.

We were happy to welcome on board Mr. B. Tamang, as the Class Teacher of Class 5 and Mrs. D. Alva as the PW Matron. We, regretfully, had to part with the services of Mrs. S. Allay, who was absorbed in the Junior Wing, and Mrs. A. Sen and Mrs. K.G. Lama, who were absorbed as Matrons in the Senior Wing and the Junior Wing, respectively. Later, we also welcomed Mr. T.M. Anthony as the new Class Teacher of Class 4, after Mrs. M. Keeni decided to abruptly break journey and disembark at the end of 2017.

When we reopened, in the month of March, the number of boys that reported in, at the end of the day, was a mere 20 but, by the end of the month, it soon went up to 48 with a few more threatening to come and join our ranks. Soon our number settled down at 54 boarders and 1 staff child, taking us past the half century mark.

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> of March, the PW, staff and students, went down for some 'Practical Lessons' to Domino's. Here, they were taught everything they needed to know about the finer points of making Pizzas. As a part of the lesson, they were taught how to roll out the base, then add the toppings of their choice, put it into the oven and then take it out when it was done, in 7 minutes flat. Then, they cut it and, as a bonus, they got to eat every bit of what they had prepared. It was a great experience and every child had a wonderful time, returning with "DOMINO'S JUNIOR PIZZA MAKER" Certificates that were issued by the Store Manager, thus qualifying them as "JUNIOR MASTER PIZZA CHEFS".

On 7<sup>th</sup> April, with great excitement and tremendous joy, the New Boys of the School went up on stage and put on a splendid performance for the students, staff and many parents gathered there in the Prep Hall. The New Boys of the PW were specially trained by Mrs. S. Dennis and Mrs.



The Primary Wing Monitors, 2018, with Mr. Angelo C. N. Alva (HPW).

N. Sinha, in their two items. After the concert, a large number of boys went out for their first 'Overnight' of the year. Then, on the 11<sup>th</sup> April, the PW hosted their Inter-House English Elocution, in the Prep Hall.

There were two book exhibitions held on the 16<sup>th</sup> April and 16<sup>th</sup> July by Scholastics and the Paulina Sisters, respectively. The boys were escorted by their respective Class Teachers who also assisted them in making the right choice of books.

On 23<sup>rd</sup> April, the staff and students of the PW attended a workshop on 'Substance Abuse and its Awareness', in the Prep Hall, conducted by KRIPA, an NGO of Darjeeling.

Three boys of the PW were escorted by Mrs. N. Sinha to the P.N.H.Z.P. where they were invited to join the "EARTH DAY" celebrations. There were a number of activities that they were involved in and, as a result, they returned enlightened about a lot of things that endanger life on earth, and some preventive measures that can be adopted to save our fast deteriorating environment.

On 1<sup>st</sup>May, the PW had their customary 'ART COMPETITION'. Then, on 5<sup>th</sup> May, the PW boys inaugurated the 5 new 'Electric Instant Showers' that were generously donated by Mr. Subrata Roy, f/o Aditya Roy (VIII, Ca) and Ayush Roy (V, HI). These were shipped over to us, all the way from Kenya, Africa. Our sincere thanks to Mr. & Mrs. Roy for their kind gesture. Thanks to them, the 'Primitive System' of the didis pouring mugs of hot water over the boys, while giving them a bath, is now a thing of the past, and the whole procedure of bathing the children takes much less time now. All these showers have been installed in the East Block Dormitory, which is used for this purpose every Wednesday and Saturday, as usual.

The Annual 'Cub Rally' was held on the 16<sup>th</sup> of May.

The boys of Classes 4 & 5 were escorted by their respective Teachers to Loreto Convent School, Darjeeling, where they witnessed their production of "THE PIED PIPER OF HAMELIN" on 18<sup>th</sup> May. Then, on 25<sup>th</sup> May, the whole PW, Staff and students headed down to St. Joseph's School, North Point, to witness their 'Annual Variety Programme'. Because of the 'odd' timing of their programme, it was necessary for us to take our own 'Hot Lunch', along with two of our bearers who ensured that everyone was adequately fed. The management of St. Joseph's School, North Point, were kind enough to open up their dining hall for us to use.

The Diocese of Eastern Himalaya hosted their Annual Convention on our campus from  $26^{th}$  May to  $30^{th}$  May and the PW played 'Host' to about 60 ladies from different parts of the country. All the ladies were housed in the

East Block dormitory and had their meals, along with the PW children, in the PW dining hall. During the day, they attended seminars and work-shops in the Chapel.

On 9<sup>th</sup> June and 11<sup>th</sup> June, the boys were treated to Domino's Pizzas and KFC Zinger Boxes, respectively.

The School closed for the summer vacation on the  $12^{th}$  June and reopened on the  $25^{th}$  June. The following day saw a number of eager parents enquiring of the teachers, about the highs and lows of their wards, at the first PTA of the year.

On 1<sup>st</sup> July, Mrs. M. Mondal took over as the Housemistress of Tenzing House. We would like to express our sincere gratitude to Mr. B. Tamang for graciously taking care of the boys of Tenzing House up till this point of time.

On 2<sup>nd</sup> July, we were joined by Mr. Tenzing Gawa, a Physical Instructor intern who came to spend the next five weeks with us. Then, two days later, another two more, Mr. Manoj Hooda and Mr. Ajeem Khan also joined us. They helped out with games and sporting activities and, when their internship ended, they were given a warm send off on the 10<sup>th</sup> of August.

While we were unable to show our superiority in Cricket, our skill in Football stunned our arch rivals, North Point, when we trounced them 5-4, on our ground. Our Captain, Nannaphat Khongchanda, led from the front and netted four of the goals which included a 'Hat-Trick', too. However, we narrowly lost to them, 4-3, in the return fixture, on their ground. The boys put up a very spirited fight and came back from 4-0, with three goals being scored by our Vice-Captain, Thayakon Munthongchon, in the second half. We ran out of time and, as a result could not save our prestige with that elusive goal.

All Period Order Tests and Examinations were held, as scheduled, without any delays. The Reports for the same, however, have got slightly delayed as the new system has been throwing up some glitches which are being corrected.

At the Independence Day programme, the PW boys were taught a Bengali song, "CHOL, CHOL, CHOL" by Mrs. M. Mondal. In addition, for the very first time, they also led the School in singing the National Anthem, apart from renewing their usual 'Cub Promise' and 'Cub Law'.

On 30<sup>th</sup> August, the PW put up their Second Language Concert in one half of the East Block Dormitory that was converted into a mini auditorium. Then, on 12<sup>th</sup> September, the PW put up their Inter-House Drama Competition in the Prep Hall. Then, on 31<sup>st</sup> August, the Marathon season, for the whole School, came to an end. On 13<sup>th</sup> September, the boys of classes 4 & 5 were escorted, by their respective teachers, to St. Teresa's School where they witnessed their production of "THE PRINCESS AND THE PAUPER".

On 16<sup>th</sup> September, the PW staff and students set off on their Treks & Tours. They went down to the Dooars where they were based in the Gorumara Forest area. From there they were taken to 'Suntaley Khola', Jaldhaka Hydel Project, a rubber factory, Murti River and then to Phuntsoeling, Bhutan, where they visited a crocodile breeding farm and a Royal Monastery that offered a beautiful panoramic view of Jaigaon, on the Indian side.

The 24<sup>th</sup> of September saw the beginning of the Athletics Season, with the Athletics Standards taking place. On 29<sup>th</sup> September, the entire PW went down to the town and had lunch at Glenary's Restaurant.

Apart from this, the PW have had their regular devotions, in the Chapel, every Saturday. They have also been having their Abacus classes, regularly, every Tuesday and Friday, from 3.00 pm to 4.15 pm.

The second Parent-Teacher Meeting, which was held on 29<sup>th</sup> October, saw a very thin turnout as a large number of parents had already left, or were in a hurry to leave. For the next three weeks, there was not much activity and the boys settled in to preparing for their Final Examinations.

On 11<sup>th</sup> November, the boys of the PW were treated to 'Domino's' Pizzas, and they had a feast, with some cleaning off three whole pizzas, alone.

Between the 14<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> November, the boys of the Sixth Form, led by the School Captain, Gaurav Singh, the Art Secretary, Amirsha Mondal and the Art Teacher, Mr Cheten T. Lepcha, transformed the PW wall with their artistic work of a 'Minion's Christmas'. They truly lived up to their Secretary's word of producing a "Professional Job". Well done, Sir, Amirsha and Gaurav and a big "THANK YOU" from all in the Primary Wing. The trend has now begun, and the benchmark raised, so we look forward to what the next batch of Sixth Formers will produce in the coming year. As just payment for their hard work, the entire batch of Sixth Formers were adequately rewarded with an invitation to join the PW at their Carol Service and take part in the sumptuous dinner, thereafter.

After their Examinations were over, they got ready for their annual Carol Service, which was preponed to the 17<sup>th</sup> November. As has become the trend, their lunch on the 17<sup>th</sup> was provided by KFC, Darjeeling. Every boy got a 'Rock Box' that contained a burger, a hash brown, two hot chicken wings, a brownie cake and a cold drink with which to wash them down. Needless to say, they gobbled this down in anticipation of being rewarded with another box, but that did not materialise.

There were a good number of parents who turned up for the Carol Service, at 5:30 pm, in spite of the biting cold. This was followed by a bon-fire and a sumptuous dinner for all the children, staff, parents and special invitees on the Primary Wing Quad. In between, Santa dashed in and gave out gifts to all the Primary Wing boys, as they had all been 'Good and Nice' over the year, before dashing off, back to the North Pole.

Finally, the day had arrived for the boys to go home for their long-awaited 'Winter Vacation' and, on the 18<sup>th</sup> November, well before the cock crowed to announce the dawn of a new day, everyone was up and about, putting their things together. Some enthusiastic parents were also there, at the crack of dawn, eager to begin their long journey back home. After a heavy breakfast, attended by all the Teachers and Staff of the Primary Wing, each boy was given a 'Doggy bag' with a few eatables for their journey. Then, from 10:00 am onwards, the exodus began and, by 3:00 pm, when the last boy moved out with his bags and baggage, the Primary Wing fell silent, signalling a successful end to another year.

Mr. Angelo C. N. Alva Head, Primary Wing, 2018



#### **EVEREST HOUSE REPORT, 2018**

House Mistress: Mrs. S. Sharma

House Tutor: Mr. T. M. Anthony

On 4<sup>th</sup> March 2018, the old boys returned to School and the new boys joined them on 7<sup>th</sup> March. The New Boys' Concert and the first House activity helped them get to know each other and develop a strong bond.

We began the year with the Inter-House Elocution competition, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of April. The practices were held regularly and the participants performed brilliantly on the final day. As a result, we were able to retain the Cup, for the second successive year. Atulya Koirala of class 5 was adjudged the "Best Elocutionist" and got the prized 'Evelyn Howard Medal' on Speech Day, in October.

Moving on towards Games, Everest House boys fought well and earned second place in Cricket and Basketball. In the Marathon final, which was held on 31<sup>st</sup> August, Shwebik Thapa, of class 5, stood first in his division and Mihir Singh, of class 4, secured the second position. Everest House was placed second, overall.

12<sup>th</sup> September, Wednesday was scheduled for the Inter-House Drama competition. A lot of practices and preparations were done. The whole House participated, and performed, with a lot of confidence and enthusiasm. The play was enjoyed and the performances of the boys were appreciated by one and all. Everest House won the Drama Cup, too.

The following boys were awarded Special prizes on Speech day.

Best Elocutionist and Essay prize -	Atulya Koirala (class 5)
Art prize -	Mihir Singh (class 4)
Good conduct -	Nirjhar R. Saha (class 4)
Good conduct -	Aritro T. Saha (class 2)

Everest was unbeatable in Table-Tennis and the P.T. competition. Both were held in November, and Everest secured the first position. I thank all the boys of Everest House and, especially, my monitors, for their cooperation, hard work and dedication to the House. It has been a very happy and successful year for us.

I would also like to thank Mr. T.M. Anthony, who joined us in May this year, for his constant support and co-operation throughout the year. I wish the students of class 5, who will be going up to class 6 in the Junior Wing, "All the Best". We will miss you boys!

I would now like to thank Mr. A. Alva, Head of Primary Wing, for his help and guidance during the course of the year.

Mrs. S. Sharma House Mistress, 2018



Everest House 2018

## HILLARY HOUSE REPORT, 2018

House Mistress: Mrs. Shamrock Dennis

The year started with great enthusiasm, wherein our boys wanted, and promised themselves, to give their very best in all their endeavours; as is the motto of the House.

We chose the best boys from the House to take part in the English Elocution competition. The boys were trained and, in spite of so many difficulties, we came second. Well Done boys!

The class fives contributed immensely with enough physical talent and, as a result, we stood third in Cricket, second in Football, third in Table-Tennis, fourth in Basketball and fourth in Marathon, Athletics Standards and Athletics Championship. It doesn't quite matter as we learn that failures are stepping stones to success.

Later on in the year the boys worked hard and brought home the first cup of the year: The Moore Divinity Cup. Rishit Roy and Nikam Waii were highly commended and Ayush Roy was commended for their performances. They followed their chapel stories told by Mr. Alva (HPW) very religiously. Well done!

We performed brilliantly in the Drama Competition, staging 'Pandora's Box of Troubles'. The boys did a superb job and Ayush Roy of class 5, who played the character of Pandora was awarded the Best Actor's Medal in the Primary Wing. We stood second in this discipline by a very narrow margin.

On Speech Day, Sushobhit Mukhia of class two received the First Proficiency medal, Ayush Roy of class five received the Second Proficiency medal, Xzavion I.A. Hooda of class three received the Progress and Application medal. The Art medal was well earned by Prin Tepprom of class two. The prestigious Jyoti Kundu medal was awarded to our dear Rashid Perwez. Well done to all the prize winners!

On Sports Day, as well, a few boys from the House received certificates and medals for their participation in Athletics.

I, on behalf of Hillary House, would like to wish all the boys who will be moving up to the Junior School, the very best in the years ahead. I thank all the monitors for their constant support and guidance. We look forward to another prosperous year ahead.

Let's look at life this way:

#### 'When everything seems lost, remember the future remains.'

Mrs. Shamrock Dennis House Mistress, 2018



Hillary House 2018

#### HUNT HOUSE REPORT, 2018

House Mistress: Mrs. N. Sinha

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#### "Failure is never final and Success is never ending"

A new year had begun. Fully refreshed from our winter vacations, we looked forward to 2018 with much enthusiasm and a positive attitude.

As always, the House was ready to take on the challenges of 2018 with valiant effort, vigour and relentless optimism. The new members were welcomed to the fold and the old loyalties renewed with the first round of the House activities.

In Drama, Cricket, Table-Tennis, and in the PT competition, the House secured the fourth position. In the Basketball and Football matches, although well-fought, the cups slipped from our fingers.

The loss, however, was compensated by our win in the English Essay Competition. We bagged the first position.

Quizzing is the test of wit and knowledge where the ability to answer quickly and correctly is tested. Hunt House won the top position.

The Marathon race was keenly contested and Hunt did it's best to make a mark in this race, but the other runners were undoubtedly far better than our runners and so Hunt House had to settle for third place.

Soon after this was the Athletics season. Everyone in the Primary Wing had a feeling this belonged to none other than Hunt. This proved to be true, when the Usain Bolts of Hunt House - Arnav Jaiswal, Shreyash Aashish Singh, Shreyas Yadav, Shanidhya Raj Singh, Anirudh Singh and Sarswat Mitra totally dominated the tracks in almost every event they took part in. The final result was the 'Standards Cup' and the 'Athletics Champion Trophy' were both bagged by Hunt. Well done!

The following boys from Hunt won special prizes on Speech Day.

Sarswat Mitr - Class I	- Progress and Application.
Ayush Raj - Class III	- Progress and Application.
Shojauddin SK - Class III	- Second Proficiency Prize.
Shreyas Yadav - Class IV	- First Proficiency Prize.
Sakditaj Vimonpattanon - Class V	- Progress and Application.
I would like to thank my two monitors Arnav Jaiswal and Shreyas Aashish Singh who rendered their help constantly and lightened my work. I also wish the outgoing class 5 the very best for their future and thank one and	

Mrs. N. Sinha House Mistress. 2018



# Hunt House 2018

## **TENZING HOUSE REPORT, 2018**

House Mistress: Mrs. M. Mondal

House Tutor: Mr. B. Tamang

#### "The road to success is always under construction".

At the very beginning, I would like to express my gratitude to our Administrator/ Chaplain who considered me worthy enough to shoulder the responsibility of managing Tenzing House and, thereby, giving me an opportunity to serve and shepherd the boys of the Primary Wing.

Since my appointment, as House Mistress, came into effect only from the 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2018, I would also like to thank Mr. B. Tamang for holding the fort, till then, and guiding the boys of Tenzing House through the Inter-House Elocution, Cricket, Basketball, Art Competition, and any other activity that has contributed to the welfare of the boys of Tenzing House. Thank you Sir!

With an enthusiastic, and energetic, set of boys we started the year, 2018, on 4<sup>th</sup> March. The new boys joined us on 7<sup>th</sup> March and, within a few days we had the first round of House Activities, where the old and new boys interacted and gave us a glimpse of what we could expect over the next nine months.

The year commenced with the Inter-house Cricket, Basketball, Elocution and Art competition, where our boys did exceptionally well. We did our best in every area and, thus, our boys came out with flying colours. The results, of our House, in the various activities are as follows:

 $1^{st}$  – Cricket, Football, Basketball, Marathon, Art and Studies Cup.

2<sup>nd</sup> – Athletics Standards & Championship, Moore Divinity, Table-Tennis and PT.

3<sup>rd</sup> – Drama.

 $4^{th}$  – Elocution, GK and Essay.

And, the crowning glory came at the GHD Supper when Tenzing House was announced as the recipient of the 'Best House Cup' for 2018. Congratulations to all the boys who did extremely well, consistently, throughout the year!

On Speech Day, the following boys were awarded certificates and medals for their proficiency in academics, and their extraordinary performance in other co-curricular activities:

Aniruddh Singh (I): 1<sup>st</sup> Proficiency Prize, Good Conduct, Art.

Al Mehrab Mashrafe (III): 1<sup>st</sup> Proficiency Prize.

Kaustub (III) : Art.



Tenzing House 2018

Kshitiz Darshan (IV) :2nd Proficiency Prize.Phittinun Lerdbamroongchai (IV) :Progress & Application.Nannaphat Khongchanda (V) :Art.Sabbir Ahmed (V) :1st Proficiency Prize, Moore Divinity<br/>Prize, Best Artist, Saxena Prize for

Quizzing.

Before I bring this report to a close, I would like to express my gratitude to my House Tutor, Mr. B. Tamang, those boys who served as Monitors, over the year, and all the boys of class V, for their help and support through the year.

Finally, I would like to wish all my boys, "*A very Happy New Year*", in advance.

Mrs. M. Mondal House Mistress, 2018



Debating Society 2018

# **DEBATING SOCIETY REPORT, 2018**

Master-in-Charge: Mr. Sanjive Rai

Secretary: Devrath Madhur

The year, 2018, proved to be one full of enthusiasm, dedication and hard work. The Debating Society, this year, unfortunately, could not truly expand its horizons beyond the District of Darjeeling.

The Inter-House debates, for the Senior Wing, began on the 1<sup>st</sup> of June and carried on till the 3rd of June. The participants of each House prepared themselves for some grueling, and animated, rounds of debating against an equally capable team of young debaters, for the days to follow. All the Houses put forward their stands strongly, placing the judges in a tight spot; but a victor had to be declared and Lawrence House emerged victorious against their formidable adversaries and, following the course of the debates, the House positions were as such:

1st Lawrence

2nd Havelock

3rd Hastings

4th Clive

Neirav Giri, from Lawrence House, bagged the Air force Medal for the 'Best Public Speake'.

The debating Society also hosted the Annual ISC Debate Fest, at our school, in which the 4 major Anglo-Indian Schools of Darjeeling participated, namely; Loreto Convent, Mount Hermon, St Joseph's School, North Point, and St. Paul's. The ISC fest, held on the 7<sup>th</sup> of July, brought to the School a host of students from the participating schools, to witness the amazing and completely enticing bouts of debating that, for sure, none sitting in the audience were likely to forget. All open house sessions consisted of the audience being quite active and raising relevant questions that definitely roused more interest. The ISC fest ended with a legendary battle between the two arch rivals of Darjeeling - St. Joseph's School, North Point, and St. Paul's. However, a victory seemed not to be in our stars with St. Joseph's narrowly taking the lead, though, as some small consolation, Neirav Giri, was awarded the 'Best Debater' of the entire fest, bringing recognition, and yet another accolade, into the trophy cabinets of our school.

All over, it was a very successful year for the Debating Society and I hope more success continues to be brought in by the future generation.

Devrath Madhur, Neirav Giri Debating Society



# **ENGLISH ELOCUTION REPORT, 2018**

#### Master-in-Charge: Mr. Agnelo Dennis

Having missed out on the English Elocution last year, due to the indefinite strike in Darjeeling, we were able to capitalize on our strengths in this discipline.

The House Mistresses and the House Masters chose their best candidates and, accordingly, picked the appropriate pieces to suit the participants. In the Primary Wing (classes 1 to 5) the event was divided into two sections, namely, Individual Poetry and Choral Recitation. Each House had to send individual competitors from each class and one group, from the remaining boys of their House, for the Choral Recitation. The teachers could be seen toiling with their candidates: refining their delivery and instilling immense confidence in them.

At the Inter-House English Elocution Competition, for the Primary Wing, held in May, the participants were well trained. They oozed with confidence, had a sound memory, enunciated with clarity, produced great diction and displayed appropriate gestures. The judges were put to the test. But, the wily foxes as they are, the judges picked out minuscule errors which would have gone unnoticed to the untrained eyes and ears, thus making their judgement clear. Everest House won the cup and Atulya Koirala, of class five, won the Evelyn Howard English Elocution Medal which was presented to him at the Annual Speech Day function in October.

While the Primary Wing event came to a close, for the year, the Junior School English Elocution Competition was heating up. The participants were chosen and their training had already begun. The Junior School event was divided into three categories, namely, the Junior Poetry (class 6), the Intermediate Prose (class 7) and the Senior Prose (class 8). The participants were equally well-prepared for the competition, and there was a stiff competition among the competitors, at the end of which, Betten House won the English Elocution Competition and Rigzen P. Bhutia was adjudged the 'Best Speaker' and was rightfully awarded the English Elocution Medal in the Junior School.

By the time the students reach the Senior School, they are well adept in the art of Public Speaking, resulting in a dynamic mix of delivery, enhancing their grasp of charisma and stage personae. True Public Speakers are made here. The competition was divided into four sections: Junior Drama, Junior Extempore, Senior Drama and Senior Prose. The competitors were an elite class of people on their way to educate the few of us on the finery of the language, and the immense adaptation, one can effuse in



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their captivating delivery styles. Style was at its best along with substance. Lawrence House came up trumps to win the cup with Neirav Giri winning the Sakraney Medal for the 'Best Speaker' in the Senior School.

All these events, in the three wings, added up to the selection of the students for the four categories of the N.M. Master Inter-School English Elocution Competition. Mr. Angelo C.N. Alva, who was in charge of the Junior Poetry chose Othniel Ronald Daniel, Mr. Bishal Gurung, who was in charge of the Intermediate Prose, chose Mananjay Luke Mukhia, Mr. David John Cecil, who was in charge of the Senior Drama, chose Ishaan Bhattarai and I, i.e., Mr. Agnelo Dennis, who was in charge of the Senior Extempore chose Sanskar Chandra.

We put out candidates through rigorous training; refining every area possible. They delivered quite efficiently, from our point of view, but could not match up to the others. We were placed third, in the overall ranking, with Sanskar Chandra coming first in the 'Extempore' section, Ishaan Bhattarai coming second in the Drama section and Mananjay Luke Mukhia and Othniel Ronald Daniel coming fourth in their respective disciplines.

We look forward to a better year, next year, and intend to up our performance.

> Mr. Agnelo Dennis Master-in-Charge, 2018





Hindi Parishad 2018



JW Hindi Elocutionists 2018

# **HINDI PARISHAD REPORT, 2018**

Master-in-Charge: Mr. P. S. Chaturvedi

Secretary: Raihan Karim

The activities of the Hindi Parishad started off early with the advent of the new academic year 2018, with the appointment of Raihan Karim as Hindi student editor of The Paulite and also as the Secretary of the Hindi Parishad

The Senior Wing Hindi Elocution was held in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Term, in the month of August. The winning House was Havelock. The participants, in the respective divisions were:

	9's Poetry	10's Prose	+2 Drama
Clive -	Chaitanya Singh	Tabish Perwaiz	Devrath Madhur
Hastings -	Avikshit Kausar	Harsh Vardhan	Raihan Karim
Havelock -	Aditya Kumar	Sanskar Chandra	Gaurav Singh
Lawrence -	Arnav Ved	Aman Vats	Md. Imtesal

The Junior Wing Hindi Elocution was held just two days after Senior Wing elocution. The winning House was Westcott. The participants, in the respective divisions were:

	6's Poetry	7's Prose	8's Poetry
Anderson –	Tejaswi Kumar	Himanshu Gupta	Vikash Kumar
Betten –	Mithu Kumar	Om Anand	Aditya Saroha
Cable –	Golo Tabom	Sudipta Roy	Rudra .P. Singh
Westcott –	Gaurav Chaudhary Sankalp Kumar		Tanishk Meharia

At the Inter-School meet, hosted by St. Joseph's School, North Point, in August, the representatives were Golo Tabom, Tanishk Mehavia, Harsh Vardhan and Devrath Madhur.

On the occasion of Independence Day, the Secretary Raihan Karim delivered a speech in Hindi and Mr. P.S. Chaturvedi also delivered a speech in Hindi.

For the Second Language concert, held on 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> August, the Hindi Parishad produced a play entitled, "Saccha Dharm".

On the event of Tulsi Jayanti, Satwik Shekhar and Ishan Pathak took part in the Ramcharitramang reciting competition, at Himanchal Bhawan, on 27th August, and S.P.S stood first.

The Rudra Hindi Medal was awarded to Gaurav Singh on Speech Day.

I would like to thank Mr. P.S. Chaturvedi for his help and support. He has been very encouraging and much of the credit for this year's success must go to him.

> Raihan Karim Hindi Parishad Secretary, 2018



Bengali Society 2018

# **BENGALI SOCIETY REPORT, 2018**

Master-in-Charge: Mr. G. Bhattacharya Secretary: Debojyoti Dey Associate Teachers: Mrs. P. Bhattacharya, Mrs. M. Mondal Like the past years, this year has also been a successful year for the Bengali Society. The Society was fortunate to receive the services of Debojyoti Dey and Prantar Nandy, Secretary and Paulite editor for 2018, respectively.

The Inter-House Bengali Elocution took place on 8<sup>th</sup> May, on the occasion of Rabindra Jayanti, and the winners were as follows:

Poetry- (class IX) Agnish Swarnakar (CL)

Prose - (class X) Ankur Singha (CL)

Drama - (Open Division) Prantar Nandy (CL)

The Elocution Cup was bagged by Clive House, once again.

On the occasion of Independence Day, the Bengali Society performed a one act play, called, "*The First Class Compartment*". The story was taken from one of Satyajit Ray's films, while the script and direction was done by Mr. G. Bhattacharyya. This was based on a patriotic theme which suited the occasion. While Debojyoti Dey, Ankur Singha and Dipanjan Biswas took on the major roles, they were ably supported by Rwitam Jar, Farhan Mali, Agnish Swarnakar, and a number of under-10 boys, in minor roles performed to perfection. Their performance was highly praised by one and all present, especially the parents.

The Usharani Bengali Prize was awarded to Ankur Singha of class X, and the 'Best Actor's' Medal, for the year 2018, was awarded to Debojyoti Dey.

This year, once again, the boys of the Junior Wing performed a Bengali dance on the Betten-Anderson Concert Day. On the occasion of Rabindra Jayanti, our Junior Wing boys – Jubair Rahman, Shaurya Sahu and Anirban sang a Rabindra Sangeet song, accompanied by Srijit Halder on the keyboard.

The Inter-School Bengali Elocution was held on 2<sup>nd</sup> August, 2018, at Mt. Hermon School. This was a great festive occasion, as usual. Our representatives, Ankur Singha, Dipanjan Biswas Jubair Rahman and Anubhav Biswas, spoke with great eloquence and conviction. Well done to all of you!

I would like to sincerely thank all the boys of the Bengali Society for their constant help and cooperation. My sincere gratitude goes to Mr. and Mrs. G. Bhattacharya and Mrs. M. Mondal. Our congratulations also go to Mrs. Mitali Mondal, on securing a permanent Bengali Teacher's post in the Primary Wing from the middle of this year. Well done Ma'am, from all of us here at St. Paul's! Finally, I wish all the Paulites a great year ahead and a very happy New Year.

Debojyoti Dey Bengali Society Secretary, 2018



Nepali Society 2018

# NEPALI SOCIETY REPORT, 2018

Master-in-Charge: Mr. Mahendra Mukhia

Secretary: Suraj B.K.

The Nepali Society has always been an integral part of the School. The year, 2018, has indeed been a successful one for the Nepali Society of St. Paul's School. With expert guidance, and encouragement, from Mr. Mahendra Mukhia and Mr. Yogesh Sunam, our Society has blossomed, and further developed, over the year.

Further, with Ganesh Lal Shrestha at the helm as Nepali Paulite Editor and Suraj B.K. as the Nepali Secretary, we marched towards further improvement.

BHANU JAYANTI is something that is always looked forward to by all Nepalese because on this day we honour the great poet, and laureate, of Nepali Literature, BHANU BHAKTA. As is the tradition, the Inter-House Elocution is held on this day, every year. However, this year, once again, it had to be rescheduled, though not for the same reasons. Thus, on account of the busy schedule of the School, we were compelled to hold this event on 17<sup>th</sup> July, 2018. In the Prose/ Drama Section, for boys of XI & XII, Neirav Giri stood ahead of the pack, while in the Prose Section, for class X, and the Poetry Section, for class IX, Purav Mukhia and Ishant Bhattarai bagged the honours, respectively.

At the end of the day, Hastings House romped home with the Elocution Cup.

This year, the Inter-School Nepali Elocution was hosted by us and we had the students of Loreto Convent, Mount Hermon School and St. Joseph's School, North Point join us in this event that promotes understanding and fellowship, among the various Nepali Departments of these Schools, and is not held on a competitive basis, though the standard is pretty high as each participant takes utmost pride in representing their School. The business part, of reciting various pieces, gave way to some lighter enter-tainment that comprised of some dance and variety entertainment. Need-less to say, the audience found this very interesting, humorous and highly enjoyable.

On 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> August, 2018, the Nepali Society put up a play entitled, "*Hatya ko Sanskar*", with Ganesh Lal Shrestha and Tsognyid R. Nakarmi playing the lead roles. In addition, they also put up a group song. Both items were well appreciated by one and all present, on both days.

The Madhukar Rana Nepali Prize Exam was held on 2<sup>nd</sup> September, 2018, and was cleaned up by Neirav Giri for the second successive year. the

'Best Actor's' prize was swooped up by Ganesh Lal Shrestha, this year, after his astounding performance at the Second Language Concert where he took the lead role.

Neirav Giri did us proud by securing the highest marks, in Nepali, in the ICSE and, thus, was awarded the RAJ BHANDARI NEPALI MEDAL.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Mr. M. Mukhia and Mr. Y. Sunam who have always been the pillars of the Nepali Society. Their constant support has always been a source of inspiration to each of us, and we do appreciate it. In addition, I would also like to express my gratitude to Ganesh Lal Shrestha who was always there, and willing, to extend a helping hand in times of need.

With success in our hands, I wish the Nepali Society all the best for the future.

Suraj B.K. Secretary, Nepali Society, 2018





French Society 2018

# FRENCH SOCIETY REPORT, 2018

Master-in-Charge: Mr. S Roy

Secretary: Kshitiz Verma

This year, 2018, has passed well for our department.

For the 'Paulite' magazine, Sheeladitya Rai wrote "*Ma journee a l' aioli*", Aditya Kharga wrote "La France" and Aditya Roy wrote "Mon meilleur ami".

During the Second Language Concert, held on 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> August, Kshitiz Verma and Tanatip Wongboonak sang a French song and Saran Lalert recited a French poem. In the PW Second Language Concert, the boys of classes IV and V recited a couple of French poems which they had learnt.

Mr. Roy has, truly, been an amazing, and a very hardworking teacher. Personally, he has helped me improve both my oral and written skills, in French, over the past five years that I have been under his guidance and, for this I am ever grateful. All the other boys, who take French as a Second Language, should take the subject seriously, and I'm sure they will do well, as this language is used widely across the globe.

In conclusion, I would like to thank our French teacher, Mr. S. Roy, for all the advice and support given to make our French Society transform into one that is far more interesting than what it was in earlier years. At the same time, I would like to take this opportunity to wish all my Society boys good luck for the years to come.

> Kshitiz Verma French Society Secretary, 2018

# **ART & CRAFT REPORT 2018**

Master-in-Charge: Mr. Cheten Tshering Lepcha

Secretaries: Art - Amirsha Mondal Batik - Debjyoti Dey Woodwork - Hritik Khetan

"I have come to believe that a great teacher is a great artist, and that there are as few as there are any other great artists. Teaching might even be the greatest of the arts, since the medium is the human mind and spirit." – JOHN STEINBECK.

In Art, our primary function is to create an emotion, and our secondary function is to express our emotion like Literature and Music. However, Art is like a poem without words.

To be an artist, we need to exist in a world of silence. Each 'Masterpiece' lies in the mind of every artist. Therefore, no 'Masterpiece' can be justified by any person as being "good", "Bad" or "Worse". Art work wasn't supposed to look 'Nice', it was supposed to make you feel something.

Paulites, in spite of being busily active in all co-curricular activities, in addition to their regular academic routine, are extremely good at expressing their emotions through Art, as well. I was really amazed to see some of the 'Masterpieces' created by the Paulites of this current year.

The following boys, of the Sixth Form, were designated responsibilities in the Art and Craft Department, for the year 2018:

Art Secretary	- Amirsha Mondal
Batik Secretary	- Debojyoti Dey
Woodwork Secretary	- Hritik Khetan

This year the boys were quite busy with Athletics, and other events, but, since I believe that Art is in the instinct of the Paulites, even though they didn't get much time to create their 'Masterpiece' for the Annual Exhibition, nevertheless, they did a marvelous job and, within a period of less than one month, they created more than seventy-five pieces. This year, preparation for the Art Exhibition started late in the month of September and, at the beginning of October, took off at a great pace. Art is such a hobby that requires a lot of patience and hard work. "*Patience is bitter, but its fruit is sweet*". Like I said, earlier, in the end it pays off, and the boys, with their invaluable hard work and tireless effort, succeeded in putting up a grand exhibition. Most of the reputed Schools of Darjeeling were invited to visit the exhibition and it was greatly appreciated by the students and teachers of these Schools. It comprised of over 70 spec-



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tacular oil and acrylic paintings on canvas, impressive Batik Art and some of the most splendid Woodwork.

The Anil Chaudhuri Art Prize Medal and the 'Best Artist' Medal was bagged by Amirsha Mondal. The 'Best Craftsman' Medal, for Batik was awarded to Debojyoti Dey.

The stage arrangements, for various concerts and plays, were mostly prepared by the boys of the Art Department. They also prepared posters for all the four Senior Wing House Concerts. For their sincere efforts, and loyal help, I would like to express a lot of thanks, and my best wishes, to the outgoing batch of Sixth Forms. The most reliable, and sincere workers were Amirsha Mondal, the Art Secretary, who led from the front, Satwik Shekhar, Anakon Muennoi, Yeshi Dorjee Thongdok, Saran Lalert, Tanatip Wongboonak and Watdhasak Thudhaveesin.

The whole fraternity of the Art Department would not be complete without special avowal of the constant support given by the Administrator/ Chaplain, Rev. Joy Halder, the Senior Master, Mr. Peter Lepcha, and the invaluable work and untiring efforts of all the boys.

Before I draw this report to a close I would like to express my thanks to the Administrator/ Chaplain, Rev. Joy Halder, the Senior Master, Mr. Peter Lepcha, and the respected Governing Body Members who gave me this opportunity to serve in this esteemed institution, after the departure of Mr. Ashis Sen, who moved to Bangalore in search of greener pastures.

Finally, I would like to express my sincere thanks to everyone who contributed towards making this year, 2018, an extremely successful one for the Art Department.

> Mr. Cheten Tshering Lepcha Art Teacher, 2018



# CALLIGRAPHY HOBBY REPORT 2018

Master-in-Charge: Mr. Michael Dutta Secretary: Devrath Madhur

This year, the Hobby saw an increase in its strength. The students who wished to learn the intricacies of calligraphy, were guided by the Masterin-Charge, Mr. Michael Dutta.

Calligraphy, as a hobby, is liked by one and all in this school. For an onlooker, the scripts appear easy to write and attractive to look at. The overall presentation of any calligraphy piece catapults itself to its highest level when supported with thematic illustrations that reflects the mood of the piece, and the type of script used. The only problem that undermines the enthusiastic young learners is the amount of regular practice that is required to master the scripts. However, much depends on the control one masters over the 'cut-nib' Calligraphy pens. The movement with the 'cut-nib' pen is actually difficult. The graceful movements of the wrist is what the beginners are expected to learn, and master. It demands a lot of patience, dedication and determination. Perhaps, this explains why out of the total enrolment of 46 boys this year, only ten boys could effectively carry it through.

Calligraphy pen sets, copies and other writing accessories were distributed to the boys. The basic pen movements, strokes, the rules of spacing and selection of scripts were demonstrated. The boys were then made to practice.

The boys, this year, were lucky enough to be able to visit a Calligraphy Exhibition at the Tibetan Himalayan Museum in Darjeeling. It was an exhibition, and live demonstration, of Tibetan Calligraphy, which the boys enjoyed thoroughly. The master Calligrapher, Mr. Tshering was the star attraction. He holds the Guinness World Record for the longest scroll ever written in calligraphy.

Overall, it was a good year, even though we could not have an exhibition this year due to time constraints. However, a remarkable change in the handwriting of the boys could be noticed in their class copies.

I would like to thank our MIC, Mr. Michael Dutta, who singlehandedly took care of the entire hobby.

Thank you Sir.

Devrath Madhur Secretary - Calligraphy Hobby, 2018

## **ECONOMICS WORKSHOP, 2018**

Master-in-Charge: Mr. N. Mondal

Secretary: Debojyoti Dey

Five years ago, the idea of applying economics in our day to day life came into the minds of Rev. Joy Halder and Mr. Nobarun Mondal. These gentlemen then wanted to enrich the knowledge of the common people to understand the application of economics in their day to day lives. This idea was transferred into a workshop called 'The Thinkonomics', but why Thinkonomics? And what is Thinkonomics?

Often we overlook the bridge between common sense and basic economic principles. But, understanding this line is very important to understand how real life experiences are translated into economic theories. This understanding is termed as Thinkonomics. Thinkonomics is a workshop on the basis, and fundamentals, of economics and how its dynamism effects our day to day lives.

The speaker for the first session of 'Thinkonomics' was a Professor of Spring Hill College, USA, Dr. Anindya Biswas, who spoke on the 'Ten principles of economics' on 14<sup>th</sup> July, 2014. Dr. Biswas spoke elaborately on the various fiscal and other important basic principles of economics. He also lectured about the production possibility course in which we comprehended the various facts which lead to the efficient utilization of resources, hence, minimizing production.

For the second session of Thinkonomics, St. Paul's had the privilege and honour to house Dr. Biswajit Mondal, Ph.D. (CSSSE, India): Post Doctorate (SUNY, New York, USA) and Professor Saswati Chaudhuri, Ph.D. (CU, India). On 13<sup>th</sup> May, 2017, Sir and Ma'am, who were both accomplished scholars and professors of Vishwa Bharati School and St. Xavier's College, respectively, took the initiative for this workshop, and decided to lecture on the following topics. Dr. Biswajit gave the prologue for the afternoon and then delved into the fundamentals of this pure science. He talked extensively about the dynamics, demand and supply and also elaborated on how we respond to them. He managed to keep us on the edge of our seats with other intriguing topics like money and banking, utility, the factors of production, etc.

Following the captivating lecture of Dr. Mondal, Dr. Chaudhury stepped up to further enrich our experience. She lectured on the economic history of India, the economic status of the agricultural sector, the recently imposed demonetization, NITI Ayog, etc. With this backdrop she also laid stress on different policies of the Union Budget, 2017, and its primary motives.

For the 2018 workshop of Thinkonomics, renowned economist from the



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East Tennessee State University, USA, Dr. Prasun Bhattacharjee had come to lecture on the topic 'Economics in Trump's victory and its impact on the Indian economy', on 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2018.

About 20 students, from over 10 schools, had come to witness this happening event, some of them being Mount Hermon School, Loreto Convent, Goethal's Memorial School, Himali Boarding School, Vidya Vikas Academy, West Point and Gyandoya Niketan.

The hall was filled with excitement as Dr. Bhattacharya had captivated us with his lecture on the topic. He spoke extensively on the policies taken upon, by Donald Trump, to bring the US economy out of turmoil, which it had gone through the past years. He laid stress on some of the policies of Donald Trump, such as the Interest Rates, the foreign exchange rate, excise duty, etc. He distinctively showed the aspired figures in the GDP of India, and a comparison of international trade, which was a valid impact of policies taken up by the US President, Donald Trump.

"Thinkonomics", truly has been a wonderful experience for all attending students and people. It laid the foundation of curiosity for economics and dissipated all motions of extreme complexity regarding the subject. The main motive of this workshop is to uplift the economic knowledge of the student and also improve the local economy in the long run. This workshop has definitely opened up a new window to this subject and made us realize that economics is truly 'Thinkonomics'. This workshop shall continue to enhance and enrich the knowledge of upcoming students, on application of economics in their day to day lives, visioning an upliftment in the future of the Indian economy.

> Debojyoti Dey Secretary - Thinkonomics, 2018

# **GUITAR HOBBY REPORT – 2018**

Master-in-Charge: Mr. Michael Dutta Secretary: Vorameth Kajonrungslip

It came as a big surprise when the boys approached me asking for some full-fledged time for practicing the hobby right from the month of March. These boys were determined to prove a point this year. Space allocation for the practice emerged as a big problem. Our very old Gypsy garage, near the generator room, would soon be turned into a new room for installing a transformer that would supply uninterrupted power to the school. Finally, we were allotted the Cross Dormitory for our practice. Unfortunately, immediately after a month of great fun, we had to abandon the Cross Dorm to make way for the group of painters who were coming to paint the School and would be housed there. This did not mar the enthusiasm of the budding talents. The practices went on in the Dormitories, with equal zeal and fanfare, though at a lower decibel.

Around 26 boys enrolled themselves in the hobby this year. This is a big number, no doubt. Some had mastered some skills on the guitar while the others happened to be the 'Greenhorns'. The old taught the new, and the hobby carried on.

Two instruments were added to the old stock of musical instruments – the Bass Guitar and a Cajon (a much improvised wooden box meant for percussions). These additions sprout new enthusiasm among the students.

Regular practice sessions were held every afternoon. The boys were taught the basics of Indian music, techniques of playing the guitar, holding the chords and different styles of strumming. A few Indian rhythms, such as Keharwa, Dadra, Bhangra, etc. have been taught. Those capable of hitting the right notes with their vocal chords were encouraged to sing, while the others accompanied along. A different sort of bonding begins to develop when music is created.

For those who were a little better-off with the skills, they found themselves busy accompanying boys who were performing in their House Concerts and other programmes. The hobby actually kept them busy.

The Hobby was on display during the exhibition time. Various groups demonstrated a live performance on the Quadrangle, under the School bell. At times, a few enthusiastic music-loving teachers, also joined in, exhibiting their bits of talents and skill, much to the bewilderment of the onlookers.

After all, it has been a very successful year for the Hobby. Let's try our best to take this Hobby to a greater height next year, and in the years to come.

With that, I bring this report to a close by expressing my sincere thanks to our mentor, and MIC, Mr. Michael Dutta, for all the help and support rendered over the year.

Vorameth Kajonrungslip 100 Guitar Hobby Secretary, 2018

# **MACHINE WORKSHOP REPORT - 2018**

Master-in-Charge: Mr. Rajiv Pradhan Secretary: Md. Imtesal

This year has been a good year for the School. As the year progressed, everything went as per schedule and the Hobbies season started. The boys, with the help of our Secretary, Md. Imtesal, and Jitesh Singh, worked very late nights to complete the pieces they had planned to do.

We did around 15 Table-Lamps and 4 Candle Stands, in a span of around one week. This time, we took it a step forward and decided to exhibit our machine, also. It was a Herculean task for all of us, as it weighed around 300 kilos, and required the might of 20 boys to carry it. However, we did it, and as the final day came, for the exhibition, the visitors were amused to see what the boys had done.

> Mr. Rajiv Pradhan MIC Machine Workshop, 2018



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Philately Hobby 2018

# PHILATELY HOBBY REPORT 2018

Master-in-Charge: Mr. P. S. Chaturvedi

#### Secretary: Ratan Vatsya

This year was a lowly year for the Philately Hobby Department. There were a lot of activities that would have taken place this year but, due to some circumstances, we did not have these activities. There was a hike in the number of boys in our hobby. They had shown interest right from the beginning of this year. Last year, we couldn't put up an exhibition, due to the strikes. This year, however, thanks to the 'stable political condition' of Darjeeling, we were able to put up our exhibitions.

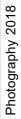
There were stamps of different countries from all over the world. These were the most valued presentations of the Philately department over the years. There were stamps of vintage cars, ships, locomotives, etc. The mint stamps were a newly introduced section. The stamps are the ones that are not used yet. Many stamps were old, and this marked the importance of the hobby. Mainly to know the history of our country.

This year, we had over seventy boys who took up the Philately Hobby. This is the highest recorded, recently. This also means that the interest for the Philately Hobby is increasing with each passing year. Next year I hope to see this department flourish and go for exhibitions, not only in this school, but in the other parts of this district and, maybe, even further. I expect the next secretary to work these things out. I couldn't do it this year, but I'm sure it can be done next year.

The exhibitions were good this year, and it was a tough job, as many boys in my hobby were also in other clubs so they were preoccupied. My crew of 5 boys had done their job very perfectly. All the work was done by these boys. We had good feedback from parents, guests and our boys. The Philately Club had worked hard for these. We even had to paint our mounting boards and the stamps had to be mounted on mounting papers .We had a good experience. I thank our M.I.C., Mr. P.S. Chaturvedi, and all the Philately Hobby boys of 2018 for their cooperation, and support. Special thanks to my class 11 boys. Thank you all.

Ratan Vatsya Secretary Philately Hobby 2018





# PHOTOGRAPHY HOBBY 2018

Master-in-Charge: Mr. S. Khaling

Secretary: Kanisorn Jinta-Achariya

The Photography Club began the year, 2018, with a flurry of activities. As soon as the School started, we got busy taking passport photos of all the boys (PW, JW and SW) for their School Identity Cards. As soon as we were done with our first assignment, others began to follow with the New Boys' concert, the Under-14 and the Edinburgh Cricket Tournaments, the House Concerts and the like. The Club Secretary, Kanisorn Jinta-Achariya, took the job full on with the able help of Natachanon Angkhanasawat, Leighton David Aaron and Kshitiz Verma. All School programmes had to be covered and the boys did the job without any complaints or excuses. Towards the end of the year, when the sun is bright and the skies are clear, everyone in school knows that the time for the Chronicle photographs are at hand. In order to complete all the photographs in one day, the Camera Club got into action, once again, along with the hired professional photographer and took a bunch of smaller group photos while the professional photographer concentrated on the larger groups.

The photo contest during the Annual Hobby Exhibitions were judged by Mr. Ranjan Chettri, Mr. Cheten T. Lepcha and Mr. Rajiv Das. The Camera club would like to extend our warmest gratitude to them for taking out time from their busy schedules to be the judging team. The rankings in the various segments were as follows:

Landscapes:	1 <sup>st</sup>	_	Kanisorn Jinta-Achariya.
Moments:	1 <sup>st</sup>	-	Kanisorn Jinta-Achariya.
People:	1 <sup>st</sup>	-	Rayad Hassan Khan.
Nightlife:	1 <sup>st</sup>	-	Kanisorn Jinta-Achariya.
Architecture:	1 <sup>st</sup>	-	Kanisorn Jinta-Achariya.
Abstract:	1 <sup>st</sup>	-	Jitesh Singh.

Finally, the medals:

The Das Studio Prize for Consistent work, the Kamlesh Kanti Medal and the Darjeeling Photo Store Medal were all won by Kanisorn Jinta-Achariya, the Club Secretary. Congratulations and well done!

In the end, I would like to thank the Secretary and all the members of the Photography Club for their hard work and cooperation throughout the year.

Mr. S. Khaling MIC - Photography Hobby 2018



Quiz 2018

#### QUIZ REPORT, 2018

Master-in-Charge: Mr. Sanjive Rai Secretary: Sunny Sinha This year's 'Brain of St. Paul's' Quiz was quite an interesting one, under our Master-in-charge, for the quiz department, Mr. Sanjive Rai. Being a very young master, he brought a lot of energy and dynamism into the ' Brain of St. Paul's'.

The Inter-House Quiz competition, or the Brain of St. Paul's, comprised of two rounds this year. Both the rounds were equally interesting. All the quizzers were well equipped with their knowledge about current affairs, sports and all the other categories that they could be quizzed on.

After a cut-throat competition, Hastings and Havelock emerged victorious. Lawrence and Clive grabbed the third and fourth positions respectively at the end of the first round.

On the contrary, the second round was more fun than the first. It tested the quick thinking abilities of all the quizzers. It was either the high level of questions or the unpreparedness of the quizzers that left everybody dumbstruck, staring at the questions asked.

Nevertheless, after seriously contemplating the questions long enough, all the participants decided not to leave any question unanswered. This phase really brought out the creative genius in all the participants. This creative phase was followed by a "Technical Snag" which kept everyone waiting for some time till it could be resolved. However, the show was saved by the razor sharp ability of the Quizmaster, Mr. Sanjive Rai, who very innovatively found a solution to the problem and went on with the show.

At the end of this round, the final results were announced and, lo and behold, Hastings stood first, Havelock stood second while Lawrence and Clive stood as steady as rocks in the third and fourth place, respectively. Himanshu Dutta emerged as the 'Best Quizzer' and was thus declared as the "Brain of St Paul's". The competition was then rounded up by an interesting speech by the Senior Master, Mr. Peter Lepcha, where he expressed his fascination at our performance. Earlier in the year, Jaskaran Singh Wasu grabbed the Karan Majumdar G.K Prize Medal.

Earlier in the year, three boys, Rigzen P. Bhutia, Aaryan Raj Pradhan and Himanshu Dutta participated in the Quiz organised by 'Mukh Band Kaam Shuru', popularly known as MBKS a renowned NGO in the hills. They stood second in this contest among more than fifty schools.

I would like to thank Mr. Sanjive Rai for constantly supporting and guiding us. I would also like to thank Mr. M.C. Kharga for his efforts in training the boys. I do hope that in the coming years the Paulites emerge victorious and I wish them, "ALL THE BEST!"

Sunny Sinha Quiz Secretary, 2018



Athletics 2018

#### ATHLETICS REPORT - 2018.

Master-in-Charge: Mr. A. D. Rai

Captain: Gaurav Singh

This year, the Athletics Season was welcomed with great hope and high expectations from the boys. The season commenced, on the 21<sup>st</sup> of September, with the Athletics Standards. All the Houses, in each wing, were racing hard to secure as many points and wrest the Standards' Cup, as the winner of this Cup is given the privilege of leading the March Past on Sports Day. Thus, the winners of the Standards' Cup, in each wing, are as follows:

Senior Wing – Havelock House.

Junior Wing - Cable House.

Primary Wing – Hunt House.

Once the Standards were over, we went straight into the Heats to select those boys who would qualify to take part in the Annual Sports Day Meet, scheduled for the 13<sup>th</sup> October, 2018. On that day, the field was beautifully decorated by the boys of class X, as is the custom, who made sure that their efforts, during the previous night, were well appreciated by all who attended. The Chief Guest for the Sports Day was one of our own Old Paulites, Mr. Gautam Hingorani (Lawrence House Captain and Cricket Captain), of 1993-94 vintage. In fact, the entire batch of 1993-94 were here to spend Sports Day and Speech Day at their Alma Mater, and they didn't come to be mute spectators. They got involved, and participated in some of the events, and even beat the present Paulites in a round of Tug-O-War. But, that was not all. They even got their wives to take on the might of the Primaries in a round of Tug-O-War. The Primaries, led by their Captain, Aniruddh Singh, of class I, dragged them home comfortably, without much effort.

The Meet began with the customary March Past, led by the Athletics Captain, Gaurav Singh, followed by the Houses of the Senior Wing, Junior Wing and the Primary Wing, who all marched smartly to the melodious Marching tunes played by the Band, consisting of boys from the Junior Wing. After the March Past, the Meet was declared "Open". The efforts of the boys led to the following Houses running away with the Athletics Championship Trophies, in the various Wings:

> Senior Wing – Havelock House. Junior Wing – Cable House. Primary Wing – Hunt House.

After the Puja vacation, the boys started to prepare the Inter-School Athletics Meet which was scheduled to be held at Goethal's Memorial School, Kurseong, where our boys brought home an astounding 51 certificates, along with the Championship Trophy in the 'B' Division. It is worth noting that all our boys put up an amazing performance, and stole the show, on that day.

"*Thou art the potter, I am the clay*", was the motto of the athletes who were trained, and moulded to be winners, under the coaches.

In conclusion, I would like to extend my warm and sincere gratitude to our MIC's, Mr. A.D. Rai and Mr. D. Thapa, for their continuous guidance and support and wish that the future athletes of St. Paul's keep the flag flying high.

Gaurav Singh Athletics Captain, 2018



# **BASKETBALL REPORT, 2018**

Masters-in-Charge: Mr. Sanjive Rai & Mr. Diwakar Thapa

Captain : Langsangliana Pachuau

The Basketball season, this year, started from the word "Go". As the boys arrived at school, early in the month of March, the practice sessions began. All the selected players from the Under-8's, ICSE and ISC teams showed more enthusiasm than in other years. But, unsuitable weather prevented us from practicing our best and, as a matter of fact, practicing up to the mark. Further, as the condition of the court was not conducive for having safe and beneficial practice and, if our players were forced to practice on that court, they would definitely have sustained injuries before the tournament.

However, in spite of all this, the teams were more or less prepared for the tournaments. The first tournament was The FR. KINLEY UNDER-8 Basketball tournament, held at St. Joseph's School, North Point, on 17<sup>th</sup> March. Our boys participated, and fought hard, but were not able to win. The Under-7 team travelled to St Augustine's School, Kalimpong. Although our boys had very less time to practice, due to the weather obstructing our practices, they gave a good fight and went down valiantly to superior teams. The upcoming tournament was the most awaited tournament for the Basketball lovers of St. Paul's School. That is the ICSE and ISC Basketball Carnival held at St. Augustine's School, Kalimpong on the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> of April. This year, the standard was quite high, with exceptional playing and sportsmanship being displayed. In total there were five schools participating, including us. Our boys fought hard, showcasing athletic prowess, swift passes, long range shots and different skills. But, however, the time factor did not allow us to over-power our worthy opponents.

The ICSE team, led by Thanatip, played their heart out in each and every match but could not outscore the opponents, and lost all the three matches by a very close margin. Whereas, the ISC team, led by the Basketball Captain, fought hard and played the best we could but lost to all the teams by thin margins. In a close game with St. Augustine's School, we were outscored by only two baskets, the final score being 27-31. Need-less to say, St. Augustine's School, Kalimpong, eventually won the cup.

The Senior Wing, Junior Wing and the Primary Wing played their respective Inter-House matches on a league basis. The three wings completed their Inter-House matches. Even after the heartbreaking loss at St. Augustine's School, our boys were practicing hard for the Inter-House matches and almost all the matches were very closely fought. The House positions, of each wing, are as under:-



Plus 2 Basketball Team 2018



Under X Basketball Team 2018

PW – Tenzing. JW - Anderson

SW - Clive, Lawrence and Hastings (combined winners).

This year, somehow, three Houses in Senior Wing emerged victorious by winning two matches each.

In order to improve the standard of this sport, in this school, we need to build up interest in the younger Paulites by showing them basics and taking their practice frequently. But, on the other hand, we don't have a proper court, at a strategic place that would make it easily accessible to all. Also we need a proper Basketball coach so that the players can improve and build up their skills.

Before I conclude, I would like to thank The MIC's, Mr. Sanjive Rai and Mr. Diwakar Thapa, for their hard work and continuous support in our practice sessions. I would also like to give a special thanks to the Senior Master, Mr. Peter Lepcha for giving his precious time to coach the team.

Langsangliana Pachuau Basketball Captain, 2018



Under 8 Basketball Team 2018



Chess 2018

# CHESS REPORT 2018

Master-in-Charge: Mr. Vincent N. Varkey

"Tactics is knowing what to do when there is something to do; strategy is knowing what to do when there is nothing to do" – Savielly Tartakower.

A game of chess doesn't drive people mad, it keeps mad people sane. We, in St. Paul's started playing Chess, at the Inter-House level, for the first time this year, with a lot of enthusiasm and spirit. The Inter-School Chess team comprised of the following boys:

> Vorameth Kajonrungsilp Raihan Karim Satwik Shekhar Panuphong Burakitphachai Vishwaraj Shah Jigmi Nuru Sherpa Othniel R David Ayush Roy

The preparations for the Inter-School Chess Tournament were underway in the month of June and the Tournament was held on the 14<sup>th</sup> of July in Loreto Convent School, Darjeeling. Our boys put up a good fight, in five rounds, and their performance was appreciated by all.

At the school front, the Inter-House Tournament was played with a lot of calculations and strategies and the boys were seen making some brain storming moves. Finally, Havelock House won the inaugural Chess Cup. Congratulations to the winners!

I wish all the best to the aspiring chess players and hope, that in the coming years in St. Paul's, chess will gain more popularity and be played as a game of the mind.

Mr. Vincent N. Varkey MIC - Chess, 2018



Edinburgh Cricket Team 2018

# **CRICKET REPORT 2018**

Master-in-Charge: Mr. N. Mondal

#### Captain : Gaurav Singh

#### "Making an effort is in your hands. Giving 100% is in your hands."

The Cricket season began with the Staff versus the Students Cricket match on  $6^{th}$  March, 2018. Though the Teachers gave off their best, they lost to the Students by a huge margin.

Proper training, for the boys, both in the morning, and evening, started under the supervision of Mr. Kallol Sen and the MIC, Mr. N. Mondal, from 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2018. The objective was to get the best team, of the School, that would be able to give 100% on the field, both mentally and physically.

Our first fixture was scheduled against Mt. Hermon School but they opted out as they do not have a proper team. Thus, on 24<sup>th</sup> March, 2018, we played our first match against St. Joseph's School, North Point, both our Under-X and +2 teams won by huge margins and, for a change, it was observed that the boys were playing as a team.

In order to give the boys more match practice, and to involve more boys, we have started our own St. Paul's School premier league. As the League progressed, Rev. Joy Halder, Administrator/ Chaplain, asked us if we were ready to participate in a Cricket Tournament at Bishop Cotton School, Shimla, where we would have to face teams from Delhi, Amritsar, Himachal Pradesh and other parts of the country. Exposure of this type would definitely prove to be a huge boost, and motivation, for the boys who were ready to take up the challenge. Thus, along with the regular Batting, Bowling and Fielding practice, we started putting them through different match situations.

We soon set off on our mission to Bishop Cotton School, Shimla, where we were to take part in the Under-16 Cricket Tournament hosted by them. On 15<sup>th</sup> April, Bengali New Year Day, we departed from Bagdogra and were warmly welcomed at Delhi by some of the Old Paulites, there, who further motivated the boys with some vocal tonic, before sending us off on the last leg of our journey to Shimla. On 16<sup>th</sup> April, Mr. Gurpreet Singh, welcomed us onto the BCS campus with some nice hot lunch. After supper, the boys went for 'Early Bed' as most of them were tired but, more so because we had to get up early in the morning to play our first match.

Our first match was against Sacred Soul's School, Amritsar, who gave us a target of 104 runs to chase down in 15 overs. Though the boys were a bit nervous, being thrown into the big ring, they held their nerves and, eventually, won the match comfortably with Avideep Sahu being declared the "Man of the Match" as an extra bonus. Later in the day, we were pitted



Under 16 Years Cricket Team 2018



Under 14 Years Cricket Team 2018



Under X Cricket Team 2018



PW Cricket Team 2018



JW Cricket Team 2018



Plus 2 Cricket Team 2018

against DPS, Solan. Tabish Perwaiz, our Captain, led from the front by scoring an unbeaten 61 runs and, thus, defeating them by that very margin.

Early next morning, at 6.00 am, we played our third match of the Tournament, against the defending champions of the previous year's tournament, Pine Grove School, Himachal Pradesh. With two easy wins under our belt already, our boys were undaunted and went into the match determined to prove that they were no pushovers but, rather, the best. Once again, we won the match comfortably, by 7 wickets, and, this time, Ankur Singha was declared the "Man of the Match". Later that day, we had our 4<sup>th</sup> match against Vasant Valley, Delhi. Unfortunately, on account of one 'Controversial' decision, given from outside the field, we ended up losing the match by a solitary run.

The next day, 19<sup>th</sup> April, was a red letter day for all of us. We would either create History by winning against the host School, Bishop Cotton, Shimla, and, thus, book our ticket for the Finals, or be forced to exit the Tournament and book our tickets back to Darjeeling, by the slowest possible means. After having a short meeting to get them into the 'Winning Frame of Mind', the boys entered the field believing that they were ready to be crowned 'Champions'. Having been put in to bat, first. Riding on the back of an effortless, unbeaten total of 62 runs by Aman Vats, we set the hosts a huge target of 181 runs to be got in 15 overs. Sad to say, the hosts fell short of the target by 83 runs and we victoriously stomped into the Finals where we would face the one School we lost to, controversially, Vasant Valley, Delhi. With a day's rest before the 'Big Bash', and the boys in extremely high spirits, it was decided to take them around the city for some sightseeing.

The following day, we walked into the stadium which had the galleries packed with students, teachers and officials of the Himachal Pradesh Cricket Board. The boys were on fire and determined not to let that evil snake, 'Controversy', bite them a second time. They batted like Gladiators, bowled like Torpedoes and fielded as though their very existence depended on every run saved, displaying complete all-round dominance over their worthy opponents and romped home, victorious, by a huge margin, once again. Yes, the boys had made their mark at the National level, here. Hats off!

Later, at the Awards Ceremony, Aman Vats achieved the trophy for the "Best Batsman of the Tournament" and Avideep Sahu got the trophy for being the "Best Wicket-Keeper of the Tournament" while Porosh Patwari was declared as the 'Man of the Match' in the Final game.

Mr. Barman, President of the OPA, Delhi, Mr. R. Soler (former Senior Master, SPS), along with the other Old Paulites of Delhi welcomed us

with a special cake, while we stopped over at Delhi, on our return. Then, at School, Rev. Joy Halder, Administrator/ Chaplain, Mr. Peter Lepcha, Senior Master, and the whole School waited out on the Top Field to give us a rousing welcome even though it was rather late in the evening.

In the meantime, while we were away, we had another fixture against St. Joseph's, North Point and our +2 team won by a huge margin, thanks to the valiant effort of Raihan Karim who scored a marvelous century.

However, at the same time, the time for the prestigious Edinburgh Cricket Tournament to begin was drawing very close. With barely a week to go, we got down to some intensive practice with the sole objective of making sure that we retained the Shield. It was of paramount importance that the boys remained absolutely focused as we knew that would not be having any 'Experienced' teachers joining us for this Tournament, unlike the other two Schools who would take maximum advantage of this provision. Ultimately, on 5th May, 2018, we entered the Finals where we faced our arch rival – St. Joseph's School, North Point. Between the Cricket Captain, Gaurav Singh, the Coach, Mr. Kallol Sen and the MIC, yours truly, it was decided that we make a few tactical changes that we hoped would pay good dividends. Thus, Jibon Gupta replaced Aman Vats and Sk. Md. Ramiz replaced Kshitiz Verma. Buoyed by a good 'Captain's Knock' from Gaurav Singh, and a spectacular 5 wicket haul by Jibon Gupta, our gamble paid off richly, and it wasn't too long before we cleaned off their tail to retain the coveted Edinburgh Shield.

Well, now that we had won two Tournaments, our Cricket season was almost over and we had one more important match to play against the Old Paulites of Kolkata, on 26<sup>th</sup> May, 2018. Knowing that the season was as good as over, it was extremely difficult to keep the boys focused but, finally, under the able guidance and sensible Captaincy of Gaurav Singh, who himself scored 68 runs, we continued with our dominance over the 22 yard strip and won the match by 39 runs.

Having had a 'Good' Cricket season this year, it was appropriately brought to a closure with Gaurav Singh and Raihan Karim being awarded 'Major Colours' in Cricket while Aman Vats, Ankur Singha, Sk. Md. Ramiz, Anshal Anand and Jibon Gupta were all awarded 'Minor Colours'.

At this point of time I would like to thank our Administrator/ Chaplain, Rev. Joy Halder, for having faith in the boys and giving them an opportunity to shine. I would also like to thank our Senior Master, Mr. Peter Lepcha, Mr. A.D. Rai, our PTI, Mr. S.G. Pande (who helped escort the boys to Shimla and back) and our Cricket Captain, Gaurav Singh, for all their help and support.

> Mr. N. Mondal MIC - Cricket, 2018

## FOOTBALL REPORT 2018

Master-in-Charge: Mr. A. D. Rai Captain : Kanison Jinta-Acharya

The Football season, though brief, was a hectic one. What the boys lacked in finesse, they more than made up for in their enthusiasm and brute force.

On 30<sup>th</sup> June, we played a match against the Old Paulites from Sikkim. It had been for many years that the Paulites always came away victorious but, this year, due to some unfortunate reason, our Captain could not take the field and this led to us being drubbed 4-1. Needless to say, it was a rather embarrassing way to start the season, but with some more vigorous practice, we tried to put this behind us, as we prepared to take on our peers at the Inter-School level.

A number of Inter-School matches were played, as scheduled, where we managed to put up a brave fight but, unfortunately, our +2 team were thrashed 7-0 by the 'Spaggies', on their ground and, then, in the return fixture, played on our ground, they rubbed salt into our wounds by adding another 4 goals to their first tally. However, the Under-X team played well. Finally, against Mt. Hermon School, we were able to come to our real form and, thus, victory was a cake walk for us.

This year, the School team was not up to the mark, as in previous years. Therefore, we did not take part in any other tournaments, as we needed to concentrate on honing our skills and bringing ourselves up to a decent level of proficiency. However, just as in all games, you win some and you lose some, we, too, experienced this when our Under-X team reached the Semi-Final stage in the Fr. Jack Coffee Tournament while our +2 team brought up the rear in the Gardner Cup which was played on a league basis from this year.

After all this humiliation, we came back and got on with our Inter-House Football matches, in all three wings, and the results of the House matches were as follows:

Senior Wing – Havelock House

Junior Wing – Anderson House

Primary Wing – Tenzing House.

The Gyaltsen Medal for the 'Best Footballer', at the Under-X level, was awarded to Yeshi Dorjee Thongdok, for the second year in a row.

Finally, in conclusion, on behalf of the team, I would like to thank our coaches, Mr. A.D. Rai and Mr. D. Thapa, for their endless support and wish the very best for the upcoming generations of Paulite Footballers.

Kanison Jinta-Acharya Football Captain, 2018



The School Football Team 2018



JW Football Team 2018



PW Football Team 2018



4'10" Football Team 2018



Under 8 Football Team 2018



Under X Football Team 2018



Marathon 2018

# **MARATHON REPORT, 2018**

Master-in-Charge: Mr. Ranjan Chettri

# *"Running is the greatest metaphor for life because you get out of it what you put into it."*

This year, the marathon season started off on the 20<sup>th</sup> August, 2018. We had a total of eight practice runs. The final run took place on 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2018. The boys were clubbed into four divisions - Primary Division, Junior Division, Intermediate Division and Senior & Open Division. The results of the respective divisions were as follows:-

PRIMARY DIVISION

First –	Anubhav Biswas	(Cable)
Second –	Shwebik Thapa	(Everest)
Third –	Anuchit Kiatsiri	(Hillary)
JUNIOR DIVISION		
First –	Rudradip Majumdar	(Anderson)
Second –	Ansh Pradhan	(Westcott)
Third –	Othniel R. Daniel	(Betten)
INTERMEDIATE DIVISION		
First –	Rishu Raj	(Hastings)
Second –	Suzuraj Brahma	(Havelock)
Third –	Lokam Sikam	(Clive)
SENIOR AND OPEN DIVISION		
First –	Gaurav Singh	(Havelock)
Second –	Yeshi Dorjee Thongdok	(Lawrence)
Third –	Akashdeep Pradhan	(Lawrence)

The children showed a lot of perseverance, and determination, in their running during the practice runs, and it was great to see them achieve their target. None of the students were injured, and neither did any of them fall sick, and the Marathon was a success.

I extend my sincere thanks to all the teachers for their co-operation during the practice run and for the final run. I am grateful to the Estate Department, the Catering Department and the grounds men for their valuable support during the event.

> Mr. Ranjan Chettri MIC - Marathon, 2018

## **SQUASH REPORT, 2018**

Master-in-Charge: Mr. Rakesh Rai

Captain: Rishav Anand

In this fast moving age, with sports like Basketball and Tennis gaining more popularity, St. Paul's has still managed to keep the standard of Squash alive.

Though the rains brought about a few difficulties in the proceedings o0f the game, by wetting the court, the boys were not discouraged and, emboldened with tremendous enthusiasm, they took to the court to test and refine their skills.

Many senior boys played extremely well and, in this way, encouraged the juniors to raise their interest for the game. Thus, the juniors learnt the game well, under the supervision and guidance of the MIC, Mr. Rakesh Rai, the Secretary, Rishav Anand, and a few other senior boys. This ensured a stable core for the future of the game.

After the Puja Break, the Squash Inter-House matches were conducted, for the Senior Wing, under the supervision of the MIC, Mr. Rakesh Rai. The matches were competitive, fair and well fought which saw Havelock House emerge as the deserving winners in the Senior Wing.

I would now like to thank our mentor, and MIC, Mr. Rakesh Rai, for his constant support and encouragement, and I hope that Squash, in St. Paul's, always maintains its standard in the years to come.

Rishav Anand Squash Captain, 2018



Table Tennis 2018

# **TABLE-TENNIS REPORT 2018**

Master-in-Charge: Mr. P. Tamang

Secretary: Krittipas Tubsaeng

Table-Tennis is one of the favourite indoor games of the Paulites. The year 2017 did not offer them opportunities to play most of the games, due to the strike in Darjeeling which lasted for more than three months. However, few boys did not lose their passion for the sport and kept practicing it regularly. It took a while for the boys to settle down before they started practicing frequently, gearing up for the Inter-School Table-Tennis Carnival which was held in St. Joseph's School, Darjeeling on 21<sup>st</sup> July, 2018.

The following boys took part in various divisions in the carnival.

Open Division:	Sunny Sinha (Singles)
	Krittapas Tubsaeng and Vorameth Kajonrungsilp (Doubles)
Division A:	Aryan Jaiswal (Singles)
Division B:	Yash Narendra Tamang (Singles)
Division C:	Taha Najam Khan (Singles)
Division D:	Rudradip Majumdar (Singles)
Senior Doubles:	Pranav V.K. and Hamza Khan
Junior Doubles:	Theera and Gaurav Chaudhary

Extras: Aditya Roy and Ayushman Newar

Most of our boys performed well, and gave a tough competition to the opponents. However, none of the participants could make it to the final.

The Table-Tennis House matches were played in the month of November. Havelock House and Cable House emerged victorious in the Senior Wing and Junior Wing, respectively.

It has been a great year for the boys who kept the spirit of the game alive, throughout the year, which has certainly motivated the young players to take up this sport seriously in the future.

Lastly, I would like to thank Mr. P Tamang, our MIC, Mr. B Rai and Mr. R Das for their guidance and support throughout the year.

Krittipas Tubsaeng Table Tennis Secretary, 2018

# **VOLLEYBALL REPORT 2018**

Master-in-Charge: Mr. A. D. Rai

Captain : Kanison Jinta-Acharya

As soon as the boys arrived at School, on  $3^{rd}$  March, the practice sessions began, and the enthusiasm of the spikers was more than in the previous years. This was clearly manifested as the boys were on the court practicing daily from 5.45 am to 7.20am and, then, having friendly practice matches, among themselves, from 3.00 pm to 4.30 pm.

It was very unfortunate that a large number of boys had to be sidelined because the existing single volleyball Court cannot accommodate them all at one time. This is because more emphasis is given to the members of the School Teams and, thus, the other enthusiastic boys get little opportunities to play.

We had a friendly fixture with West Point School, Darjeeling, and are very grateful to them for coming over and giving us some much needed match practice.

This year, once again, we hosted the Inter-School Volleyball Carnival, on 19<sup>th</sup> May, on the Top Field. As usual, we put up two teams at the under X level and one team at the +2 level. However, the weather was not on our side, with a bit of rainfall making both the ball and the courts slippery and dangerous. At both the ISC and ICSE levels, our boys played a fairly good game. The boys fought hard for every single point and gave off their very best.

The Inter-House matches were keenly contested and, eventually, Hastings House won the Cup in the Senior Wing while Cable House did so in the Junior Wing. We are very grateful to Mr. A.D. Rai who very willingly, and ably, conducted the House matches.

I now take this opportunity to thank Mr. A.D. Rai for his guidance throughout the season and I wish the future teams the best.

Kanison Jinta-Acharya Volleyball Captain, 2018

# **TREKS AND TOURS REPORT – 2018**

Master-in-Charge: Mr. Sudin Khaling

The Treks and Tours, for 2018, commenced from the  $16^{th}$  of September and ended on the  $20^{th}$  of September. Due to a sudden strike in Nepal, the +2 boys returned a day later.

The boys were sent to the following destinations:

## PW – Gorumara.

Teacher Escorts - Mr. A.C.N. Alva (HPW) with all the PW staff.

## JW - Lataguri.

Teacher Escorts – Mr. P. Tamang, Mr. B. Gurung, Mr. Rajesh Pradhan, Mr. M. Joshi, Mr. D. Thinley, Mr. R. Das, Ms. N. Pandit, Mrs. S. Allay, Mrs. Pramila Rai, Ms. Prashanti Rai.

## Class 9's – Sandakphu Trek.

Teacher Escorts – Mr. S. Khaling, Mr. Y. Sunam, Mr. D. Thapa, Mr. S. Rai.

Class 10's – Dooars.

Teacher Escorts – Mr. N. Mondal, Mr. S. Pande, Mr. C. Lepcha, Mr. S. Gurung.

Class 11 & 12 – Pokhra, Nepal.

Teacher Escorts – Mr. B. Rai, Mr. P. S. Chaturvedi, Mr. R. Chettri, Mr. Rajiv Pradhan.

At the same time, Mr. Punam Lama (HJW) led a team of 50+ boys on a long haul trip to America where they visited the KENNEDY SPACE CEN-TRE (NASSA), ORLANDO DISNEY PARK and THE NIAGARA FALLS. He was accompanied by Mr. Agnelo Dennis, Mr. Rakesh Rai, Mrs. Anu Sheela Rai and Mrs. Sunetra Halder. Needless to say, they all came back with heavier loads than they took.

I would like to thank all the teacher escorts who took up the huge responsibility of looking into the care and safety of the boys. I would also like to thank all the students for being well-behaved during the Treks and Tours and cooperating with their teacher escorts.

> Mr. Sudin Khaling MIC - Treks & Tours, 2018



The Paulite EditorialTeam 2018



Dzonkha Society 2018



Media and Adventure 2018



Science Exhibition 2018



Origami Hobby 2018



Textile Designing Hobby 2018



Computer Society 2018



Choir 2018



Tennis 2018



Badminton 2018



JW Racquet Games 2018

## SALVETE 2018

## Class 1

Aniruddh Singh

#### Class 2

Arhan Roy Aritro Turjo Saha Md. Mohtasin Islam Mukdha Prin Tepprom Sarswat Mitra Shreyansh Ayush Singh

## Class 3

Al Meherab Mashrafe Navya Sharma Rohit Roy Xzavion I.A Hooda

## Class 4

Ishaan Singh Kshitiz Darshan Nirjhar Riju Saha Niyang Waii Phittinun Lerdbamroongchai Shanidhya Raj Singh Shreyas Yadav

**Class 6** Aekkachai Chanrot Anubav Biswas Athiwat Natakuathung Sakson Somchit Thanakit Rattanapanang

**Class 7** Bashistha Subedi Sonak Chosh Swmaosar Muchahary

#### Class 8

Arnay Chomal Guntapat Busayaploy Krittapast Sutthipong Phatthadon Suwanpattanawech Phuri Sarathana Raghav Sahal Swayam Sharma Arash Amir Doha Pravas Bhowmick Shammakh Ahmed Khan Tanishka Meharia Vikash Kumar Aditya Saroha Hrishikesh Rawat Pranav Pokharel Surja Anirban Hassan

## Class 9

Mashfiqul Alam Supakorn Khruethongsri Ansh Kumar Sahil Jaiswal Vasu Singh Dhiraj Brahma Shadman Mahir Ahmed

## Class 11 Mridul Khanna Sachit Rai Shaurya Rathi Bhaswat Man Joshi Antor Chandra Sarker Bishan Subedi Dharmesh Koirala