

Grade VII students had a fruitful session with Mr Kunda Dixit on the history of Nepal. He also took them on a tour of the Peace Museum and prepared the press team for RBSMUN 2015.

ASSEMBLIES

Grade I and III had their assemblies and pot-luck lunch on 13 December 2014, Saturday. Children put up their best effort in displaying their skills through dance, poems, drama and songs.

SHORT STORY COMPETITION

Four students participated in a short story writing competition organized by Malpi Institute. Saudamini Sigdel (Grade X) won the first prize and Prakriti Kandel (Grade IX) received the Consolation prize.

GRADE X FAREWELL PARTY

The students of Grade IX hosted the students of grade X on 27 February 2015 by organizing a masquerade party. It was indeed a fun filled event, and a nice break for the students studying for the SLC exams this year. Thank you grade IX for a job well done.

PT display at the Sports Day



HOUSING AND INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

Sixty-eight A Level students participated in the Housing and Infrastructure Development Programme for 5 days from February 2-6. A check of 100,000 rupees was handed over to the official of Housing and Infrastructure on 9 February during the morning assembly as part of their contribution.

BASKETBALL WINNERS

First Lalitpur District Inter +2 Basketball Championship was played at Dasharath Rangashala on February 12, 2015. There were 9 teams in all and the final match was played between RBS and KISC. The RBS students won the Runners Up and were awarded a sum of 10,000 rupees.

JUNIOR ANNUAL SPORTS DAY

Junior Annual Sports Day was held on March 8, 2015. Many inter-house events were held for boys and girls, among which some were Lawn tennis, Chess, Dodge ball, Basketball, Kickball and Hopping Catching. The winning house of the Sports Day was Green with a total score of 536 points. Blue stood second with 436

points. Yellow house bagged the third position with a score of 408 points. Orange stood fourth with 344 points.

DAILEKH ANNUAL REVIEW AND REPORT DISSEMINATION PROGRAM

The Rato Bangala Foundation team along with members from Department of Education (DOE), Education Training Center (ETC) Surkhet and Ms Maya Sherpa, a member of the RBS parent body representative visited Dailekh for the Annual Review and Report Dissemination Program from 9-12 March, 2015. Participants were divided into two groups for the purpose of visiting schools. The groups visited schools in Mallika RC and Dullu RC. Dailekh School Project Annual Report 2070 was disseminated during the Review Program held on 11 March in the presence of the Local Development Officer (LDO), District Education Officer (DEO), School Supervisors (SS), members of the press, Principals and teachers. Presentations were made by RBF staff along with DEO officials and RBPOP network school representatives during the program.

The school will reopen on 27 April, 2015.



THANK YOU

As we come to the end of another eventful academic year, we would like to thank all the members of the RBS family for your enthusiasm and support. We had two very interesting milestones this academic year, an international Model United Nations was organized for the first time by a Nepali school and Nepal saw its very first children's literature festival, Bal Sahitya Mahotsav 2015. The learning that comes from such projects is multi-dimensional and we are proud that we are able to hold such events at Rato Bangala School through the support of all the members of the RBS family.

CAMBRIDGE AWARDS

Outstanding Cambridge Learner Awards were presented at the Hotel Yak and Yeti on 18 February, 2015. RBS students who received awards from Cambridge International Examinations (CIE) this year are as follows:

Outstanding Cambridge Learner Award Ceremony



RATO BANGALA SAMACHAR

MARCH 2015

Top in Nepal June 2014

Economics (A Level): Aadarsha Sainju
Mathematics (AS Level): Anukriti Shrestha
Biology (A Level): Smriti Pandey

Top in Nepal November 2014

General Paper (AS Level): Evaniya Shakyra

High Achievement - June 2014

Environmental Management: Gaurav Pathak

The CIE results for the November 2014 session were also released in the last week of January 2015. The students completed the examinations for selected subjects in the IGCSE and A Level. Congratulations students for the Cambridge awards and the brilliant results.

DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD

Congratulations to all 29 students who successfully completed and

received the Duke of Edinburgh's Bronze Award this year:

Aabhaas Malla, Aakash Pant, Abhaya Gauchan, Abhishek Anand, Alaukik N Pant, Anupa Rimal, Anushka Upadhyay, Arhant Shrestha, Arushree Sharma, AshnavLal, Asim Ansari, Asmita Bhatta, Asmita Gautam, Gaurav Pathak, Janavi Nahata, Megha Agrawal, Niharika Bhattari, Prachi Adhikari, Prarthana Dixit, Prashamsha Rimal, Priyanka Dangol, Reina Shahi, Romy Dangol, Sakchham Karki, Samata Bajracharya, Sheran Singh Lama, Shriti Satyal, Siddhant Basnet, Smriti Chettri.

GREEN INSPIRATION - 2015

Nine students- Abhishek B Shrestha, Anisha Joshi, Devansh Agrawal, Thinley Wangchuk, Devanshu Prasad and Ishan Sharma along with two teachers, Ms Bilquees Banu and Ms Kausalya D Khadka, went to Dhaka, Bangladesh for the conference, Green Inspiration-2015.

Grade IX at Himalayan Mountaineering Institute, Darjeeling



Srasta Koirala contributed her share as an online participant. The motto of the conference was to inspire young minds by initiating dialogue on climate change. Competitions were held among 30 teams, 16 international and 14 national. RBS team bagged 9 awards in all the categories they participated in. Congratulations to all the participants and the teachers.

BALSAHITYA MAHOTSAV 2015

Rato Bangala School/Foundation and Kitab organized the Bal Sahitya Mahotsav, the first children's literature festival in Nepal on February 21-22, 2015. The Festival saw over 4000 attendees from Kathmandu Valley and beyond, which included private and public school students, teachers, parents, government and non-governmental officials. With the objective to provide an interactive and inclusive opportunity for school communities to appreciate the power and pleasure of reading, the Festival featured various closed sessions and open activities for children, teachers and parents that were conducted by Rato Bangala teachers, guest educators, Nepali celebrities, local and international authors and artists. UNICEF and World Education together with the Government of Nepal supported the participation of government school students in this festival and will take the festival to Accham, Bajura, Kalikot and Mugu.

NEW FROM RATO BANGALA KITAB

On the occasion of Bal Sahitya Mahotsav, Rato Bangala Kitab published a number of children's books: Every Which Way up Everest/जसै गरी सगरमाथा by Kanak Mani Dixit and illustrated By Diwakar Chettri, The Flying Kisses/हजुरआमाको माया by Aneel Bisht, illustrated by Kripa Joshi. Two Big Books namely टपटप टोपी illustrated by Santa Hitang, and आइहाल्यो बाघ written by Tika Ram Sharma Poudel and illustrated by Santa Hitang were also launched at the festival. In addition, two sets of Shared Reading Charts with selected poems were also published to facilitate the teaching of reading in the younger grades.

TRIPS

On 3 and 4 February students of Grade III went for a trip to Radio Sagarmatha to learn more about the services in the community. The enriching experience helped them to add more components to their City project, a major activity of Term III. In relation to their study, they also visited Godamchaur on 13 February to learn about how city life and village life differ.

In relation to their study about Louis Braille, Grade IV Students visited the Lab School on 6 February and interacted with the visually impaired students.

On 4 January Grade IX students left for Himalayan Mountaineering Institute in Darjeeling to take part in a 15 days adventure course. Four teachers, Ms Pratigya Shrestha, Ms Sunita Adhikari, Mr Kiran Maharajan and Mr Uttam Thapa accompanied them.

The students of Grade VI went to Kavre on 13 February 2015 and worked with the students of Shree Bhal Chandra Secondary School in Rayale Manedobaan. They stayed overnight in the school and hiked the next day.

On 16 February Grade VIII went to Pashupati as part of their study of the world's oldest religion. They began their journey by visiting the Kirateswar Mandir and walked down to Pashupati. They spent the morning interviewing pilgrims.

On 6 February the students of Grade VII hiked from Thankot to Chitlang and went down to Markhu in Makwanpur district. After having spent the night there and visiting the Kulekhani dam in the morning the students again hiked for a few more hours before boarding the bus back to Kathmandu. It was good to see the children enjoying the outdoors so much.

The students of Grade VII visited Alliance Francaise to view the art exhibition on Holocaust. They got a chance to interact with a Holocaust

survivor, Sara Atzmon who in her adult life found the courage to paint and share her visual memories and thus promote peace and tolerance. This trip complemented their study of the life of Anne Frank.

RBSMUN 2014 INTERNATIONAL

RBS Model United Nations conference went international for the

first time in Nepal from December 19-21. The student-run conference was a huge success with schools participating from India and the region. There were 29 students from outside Nepal, namely Sanskriti School, Delhi, The Cathedral and John Connon School, Mumbai and Shri Ram School, Delhi. There were individual delegates from Woodstock School, India

and Le Bocage International, Mauritius.

Besides the international delegates we had 40 participants from other schools in Kathmandu including Malpi International School, Triyog High School, Excelsior School, Modern Indian School, St Xavier's Godavari, Little Angel's School and DAV School.

RBSMUN 2014 Awards

HRC <i>Best Delegate:</i> Mir Khadka <i>Outstanding Delegate:</i> Sangamitra Subba Irtika Bajracharya <i>Special Mention:</i> Pritesh Shakya Saurav Giri <i>Verbal Mention:</i> Baibhav Parajuli Suyasha Shakya Sai Mani Ajal Man Shrestha Nissim Gurung	Jai Agrawal <i>Verbal Mention:</i> Sitashma Thapa Abhi Anand Jha Akchyata Shrestha	Ashwin Mishra Asmita Gautam Sonia Thebe Arjan Rupakheti	Rea S Mishra Daya Shrestha <i>Verbal Mention:</i> Agadh Malla Suprina Poudel Amresh Shah	Parv Kaushik Jahnavi Nahata <i>Verbal Mention:</i> Arshia Roy Aman Saraf Rehan Bhatt	Abhijeet Pradhan <i>Special Mention:</i> Sanjog Karki Smriti Chhetri
HSC <i>Best Delegation:</i> Ashish Khadka Amod Rayamajhi <i>Outstanding Delegate:</i> Thinley Wangchuk <i>Special Mention:</i> Pranav Shrestha <i>Best Delegate:</i>	LEGAL <i>Best Delegate:</i> Kaustuv Bhattarai <i>Outstanding Delegate:</i> Heyshe Dolma Sherpa Abhaya Raj Tamrakar <i>Special Mention:</i> Utsav Neupane Sirig Gurung <i>Verbal Mention:</i>	UNEP <i>Best Delegate:</i> Pragyan K Acharya <i>Outstanding Delegate:</i> Nirnaya Dangol Karuna Gauchan <i>Special Mention:</i> Rhysav Basnyat Arshia Giri <i>Verbal Mention:</i> Bhishan Hari Silwal Sadiq Hussain Siddiqui	SOCHUM <i>Best Delegate:</i> Vishad Onta <i>Outstanding Delegate:</i> Utsav Garg Charavee Basnet Chettri <i>Special Mention:</i> Digvijay Basnet Ayush Regmi	DISEC <i>Best Delegate:</i> Auras Khanal <i>Outstanding Delegate:</i> Abhishek Anand Yashree Himantsinka <i>Special Mention:</i> Pranjal Pratap Shah Vishwas Jha	DISEC <i>Best Delegate:</i> Auras Khanal <i>Outstanding Delegate:</i> Abhishek Anand Yashree Himantsinka <i>Special Mention:</i> Pranjal Pratap Shah Vishwas Jha
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				SPECPOL <i>Best Delegate:</i> Harsh Shah <i>Outstanding Delegate:</i> Praveen Pratap Shah	

RBSMUN: GRADE VII

This year the students of VII had their very own special MUN on 9 March 2015. Our young delegates were very impressive and took part in the debates with enthusiasm, defending their country's stance. They are prepared to handle more

serious issues as eighth graders next year.

GUEST SPEAKERS

We would like to thank our guest speakers for giving us their time to talk to the students despite their busy schedules.

Mr Gopi Parajuli, was at RBS on 9 March, to give a talk about Child Rights. Students benefited from his presentation.

Ms Lajja Dixit had a session with the students of Grade VI on matters relating to growing up.

Book Mural at Bal Sahitya Mahotsav 2015



Celebrity Read-aloud with Mr Amrit Gurung



Grade III Market



Junior Sports Day

