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Purka Youth Development Society is the agency of transformation of lives of every single underprivileged, underrepresented yet capable youth of Uttarakhand (especially girls) so that they are nurtured & empowered to rise beyond the oppression of poverty & bring positive impact to themselves, their families & their communities.

The Destination

PYDS is a care-giving environment where the children of Uttarakhand can grow into sensitive, intelligent, healthy, productive & humble contributing members of society. To achieve this, PYDS provides all the necessary elements, to a carefully selected group of them with the best potential

New roads - Wider Horizon



To reach out to a wider section we now have an increased capacity of 510 students. Our new building block with additional classrooms, junior library, yoga center and craft center has been built to cater to this along with a clock tower.

For students who want to join us mid-school we now have entrance exams for class 6,9 and 11.

Also we have an additional capacity of 60 students in the girls residential block.

We have insured the buildings of our school, the Hostel Building and PSSS Building against fire, and natural calamities such as Earth Quakes, Storm, Floods, inundation and others.

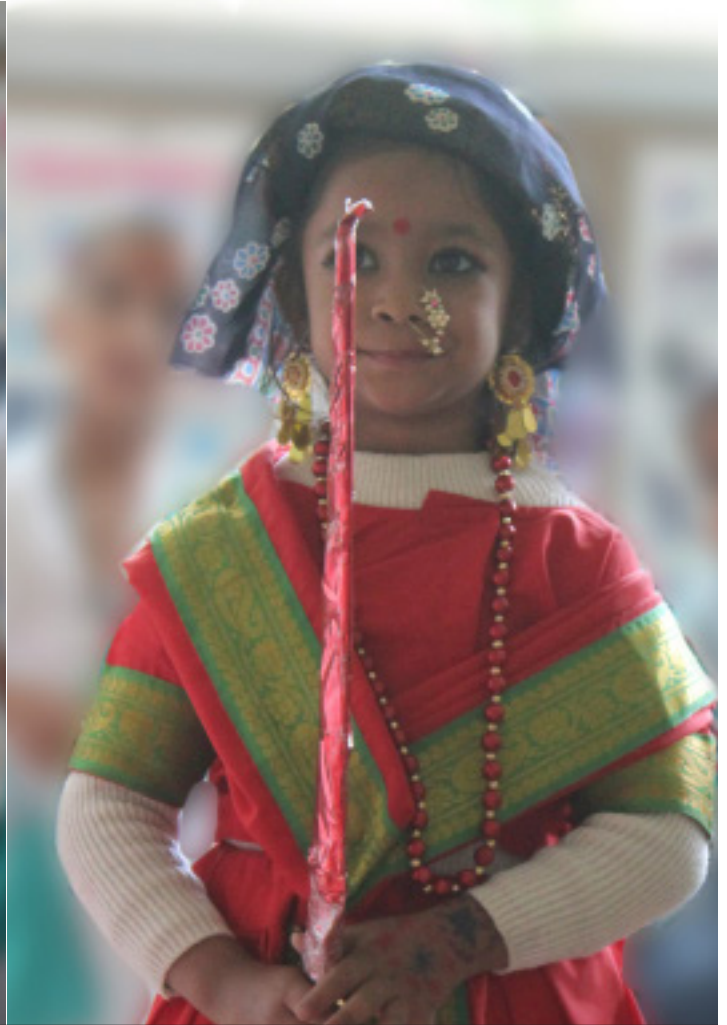


Bain maries in the dinning hall has enabled us to ensure the food served is savoured warm.

One Chapatti Making Machine is added to the kitchen that makes 1000 chappati an hour and ensures that the children enjoy hot fluffy rotis with



Friends along the Journey



For the seventh year in succession, the French couple Daniella and Francoise volunteered as they trained classes 1 to 5 in English Drama.

Layla, a volunteer from Turkey, helped the children of ECLC staged a fine musical performance on the theme 'Song of Jungle Book'.

Col Aparjeet Nakkai of Chandigarh participated in a Night Marathon, for 21Kms, the race and raised Rs. 1,61,000 for our cause.

Destinations Explored

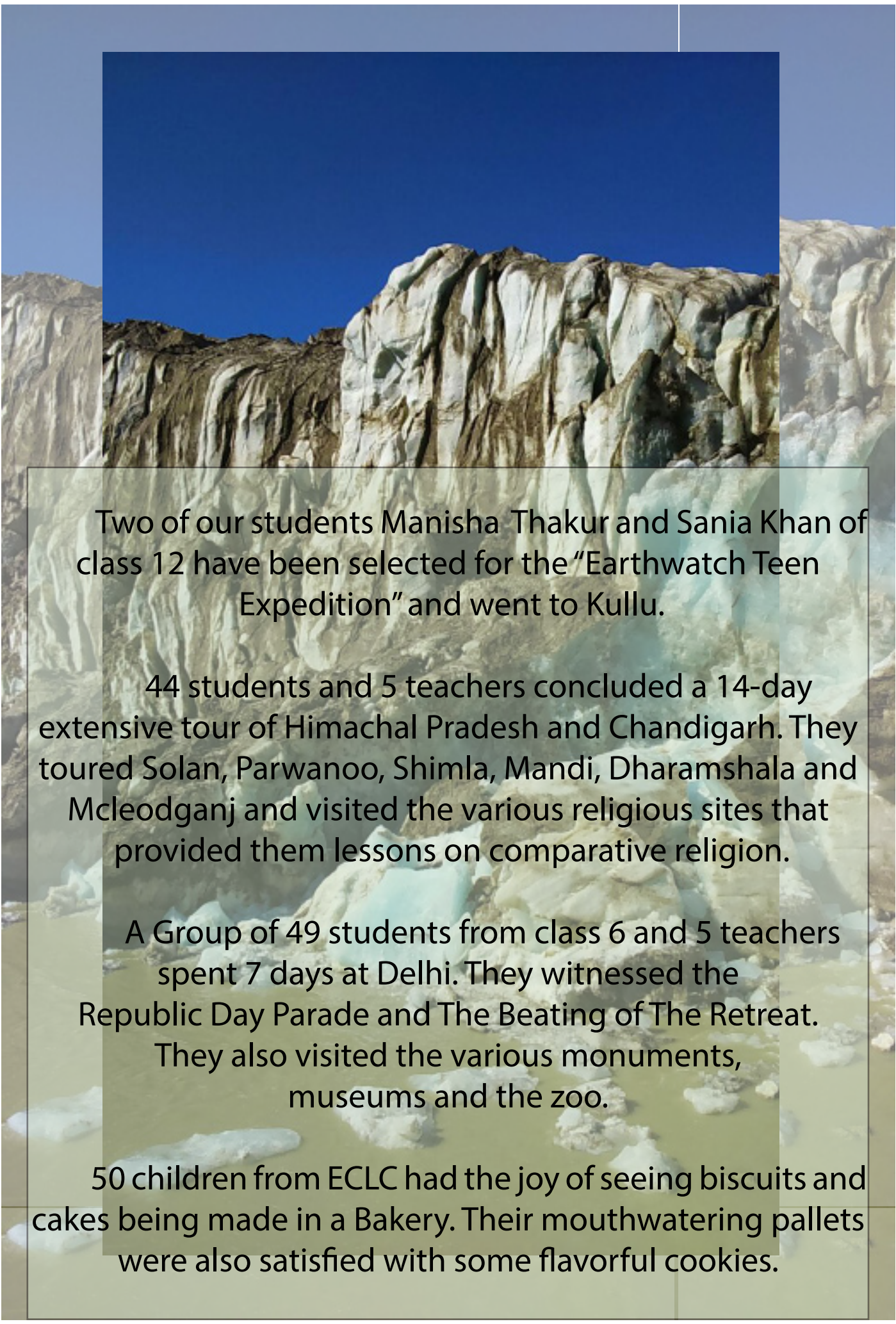
As a part of an adventure under IYAP, 75 of our students participated in a trek of 24 km to Landour for three days.

The Children of our pre- primary section were excited to visit a Hatchery and see eggs being hatched under artificial conditions.

A group of 54 Students, teachers and support staff visited Uttarkashi, Nehru Institute of Mountaineering, Gangotri, Gomukh, Tungnadh and Gauchar over 12 days.

10 girls of classes 9 & 10 went for a course at Nehru Institute of Mountaineering, Uttarkashi. They participated in various activities like Artificial rock climbing, Trekking and Cross Country.





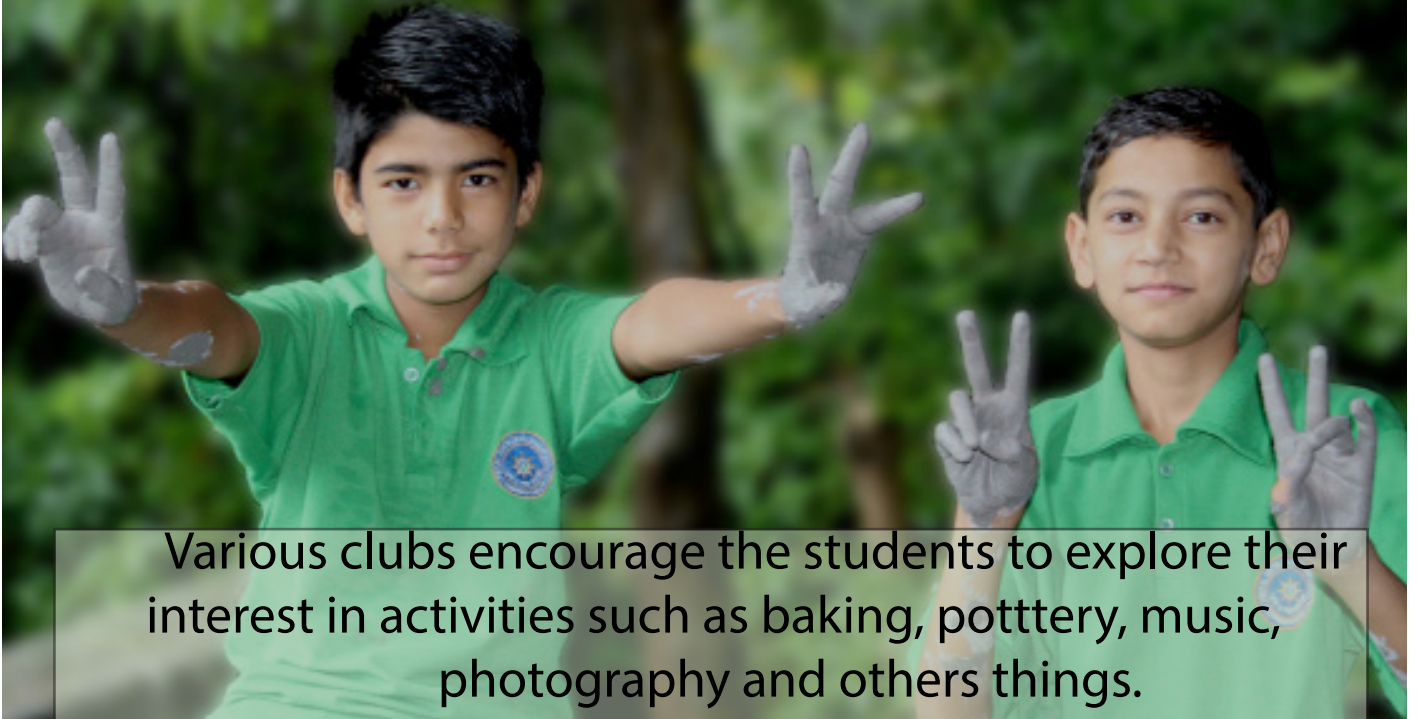
Two of our students Manisha Thakur and Sania Khan of class 12 have been selected for the “Earthwatch Teen Expedition” and went to Kullu.

44 students and 5 teachers concluded a 14-day extensive tour of Himachal Pradesh and Chandigarh. They toured Solan, Parwanoo, Shimla, Mandi, Dharamshala and Mcleodganj and visited the various religious sites that provided them lessons on comparative religion.

A Group of 49 students from class 6 and 5 teachers spent 7 days at Delhi. They witnessed the Republic Day Parade and The Beating of The Retreat. They also visited the various monuments, museums and the zoo.

50 children from ECLC had the joy of seeing biscuits and cakes being made in a Bakery. Their mouthwatering pallets were also satisfied with some flavorful cookies.

Clubs and Activities



Various clubs encourage the students to explore their interest in activities such as baking, pottery, music, photography and other things.

We are now members of The Toast Master's Club, a forum that meets every Sunday to promote Public speaking skill among its members.

A Life skill training program meant to build healthy relationships and cultivate problem solving skills was conducted at the School for classes 11 and 12.

Taekwondo is introduced for our hostelers. It will help children gain physical fitness, mental strength, self-confidence, and self esteem.

PYDS was awarded the India NGO Award for running a successful fund raising campaign 'Run for Fund'. This campaign helped us raise funds for our girls' hostel constructed last year. This award was given by Resource Alliance.

Breaking Barriers


Our school was an active participant and contributed as speakers in a wonderful initiative of an organization called "Aaghaz E Dosti" seeking to build unwavering bonds of peace, love and friendship between India and Pakistan.

Under a program called Face to Faith, our students from class 11 participated in a skype conference with the students of three schools namely, Gems Modern Academy Dubai, IC Mattei Venice, Italy and Mahatma Montessori Madurai.

The project discussed was titled 'Human Rights: Freedom and Belief'.

Class 11 visited an exhibition styled "Science and Technology for especially abled persons at the" Survey of India".





Our success at The Youth Leader competition 2016 named 'Harmony' organized by the Global Education and Leadership Foundation was very satisfying.

We were adjudged as the winner and awarded the Champion School Award. This win was from amongst more than 58 schools in the finals . We received a cash Prize of Rs 25000/.



Our presentation 'Sanitation through 'Sane-i-tisation' was declared the 1st runner up in The Youth Leader Competition.

Our street play left the audience in splits of laughter and was declared 2nd runner up in Street Play Competition. The theme of our Street Play was "Sub Chalta Hai".



Mrs. Chinni Swamy and Mr. GK Swamy along with 5 students were invited to an event "Pearl Samvad" organized by the Pearl Academy. They made a presentation about our idea of excellence. The presentation received a standing ovation.

The "Spirit of Pearl" Award was presented to Mr & Mrs Swamy by Mr. Sharad Mehra (CEO, Pearl Academy) at the ceremony.



Feats Achieved

Riya and **Ifra** from our school were awarded the 2nd and 3rd position in different categories, in “Rupali memorial” inter-school painting competition organised by Doon Girls School.


42 of our students participated in the Terry Fox Run conducted by The Doon School.

Our children participated and won in various sports competitions organized by the Uttrakhand Sports Department. Some of the results are as :

Our girls’ basketball team won the silver medal in under -14, district basketball championship.

Vipul Tyagi of class 9 has been selected for playing the Sub Junior National Basketball Championship organized at Hyderabad, Telangana. He will represent team Uttrakhand.

Mahika Panwar of class 11 won the second place in 400 m race in under -20 category, organized by the District Athletics Department. The Third Place was also bagged by our student **Abhilasha Sharma**.



Uttarakhand Government organized a sports competition under 'Khelo India' Campaign to promote sports in India. Our school participated in this event and won various prizes as follows:

We won the 1st Prize (Gold) in Kabbadi for U-17 girls' tournament in district and Block level.

[Neha Hatwal](#) of class 11 won the Gold Medal in U-17 Block Level Shot Put competition.

[Payal Negi](#) and [Rupali Chaudhary](#) won the 1st and 2nd prizes in 100 meter sprint.

[Kanchan Lekhwar](#) of class 7th won the Gold Medal in U-14 Block Level Shot Put competition.

Our Kho Kho Team of girls won the Gold Medal in U-17 Block Level Competition.





CBSE results for Class 10th and 12th were announced.

[Sahil Kumar](#) topped the class 10th with CGPA 9.0.

In Class 12, [Shiksha Pundir](#) lead the Commerce group with 93%.

Our experiment with Hostelling support paid off. Children did much better because of the residential support that we provided for a year. We do expect the current year's report to be even better.

It was a pleasant surprise to see the names of our students [Shivam Bailwal](#) and [Mansi Chhetri](#) among the list of the top 0.1 percent scorers in English core class 12 exams of 2016.





Muskan Godiyal of class 10 has been selected to attend a Summer Program at the Leadership Institute, Brown University, Providence, USA.

Prachi Pundir a student of Class 11 was selected for the KL Yes Scholarship programme to US for a year.

Two of our students who passed class 12th this year, **Kaamini Godiyal** and **Shalini Lekhwar** have been selected for a course of Bachelor in Physiotherapy at Sardar Bhagwan Singh PG Institute.

The entire cost for Kamini Goidyal is being paid by Vahini Scholarship. The university has been kind enough to waive the tuition fees for Shalini.



Saraswati Kumari has joined a 5 year Integrated course of B.A.LLB. at Uttaranchal University. She hopes to go to The National Institute in Law at Bangalore after this Programme.

Festivities and Events

Holi was celebrated with lots of enthusiasm and colour in our campus.

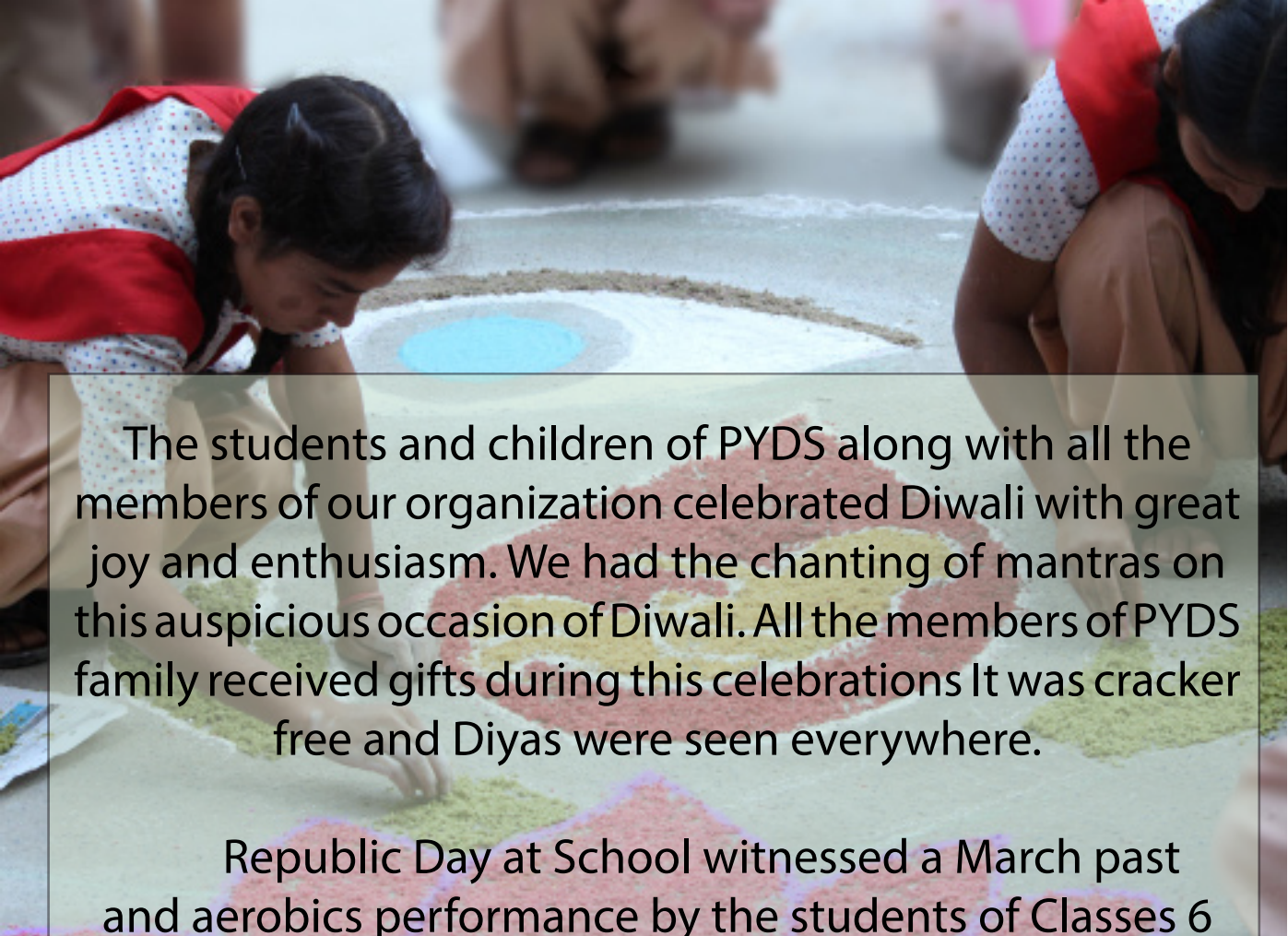
P.Y.D.S. Learning Academy celebrated its 6th Annual day on the 22th October, a day of gaiety and festivity. The highlight of the event was the unique Sanskrit Dance Drama – 'Paropkaraya Jeevanam', enacted by the children. From the script to the choreography and the costumes, the entire effort was in-house.

D.G.P. Uttrakhand Mr.M.A.Ganapathy, IPS was the special guest for the evening.

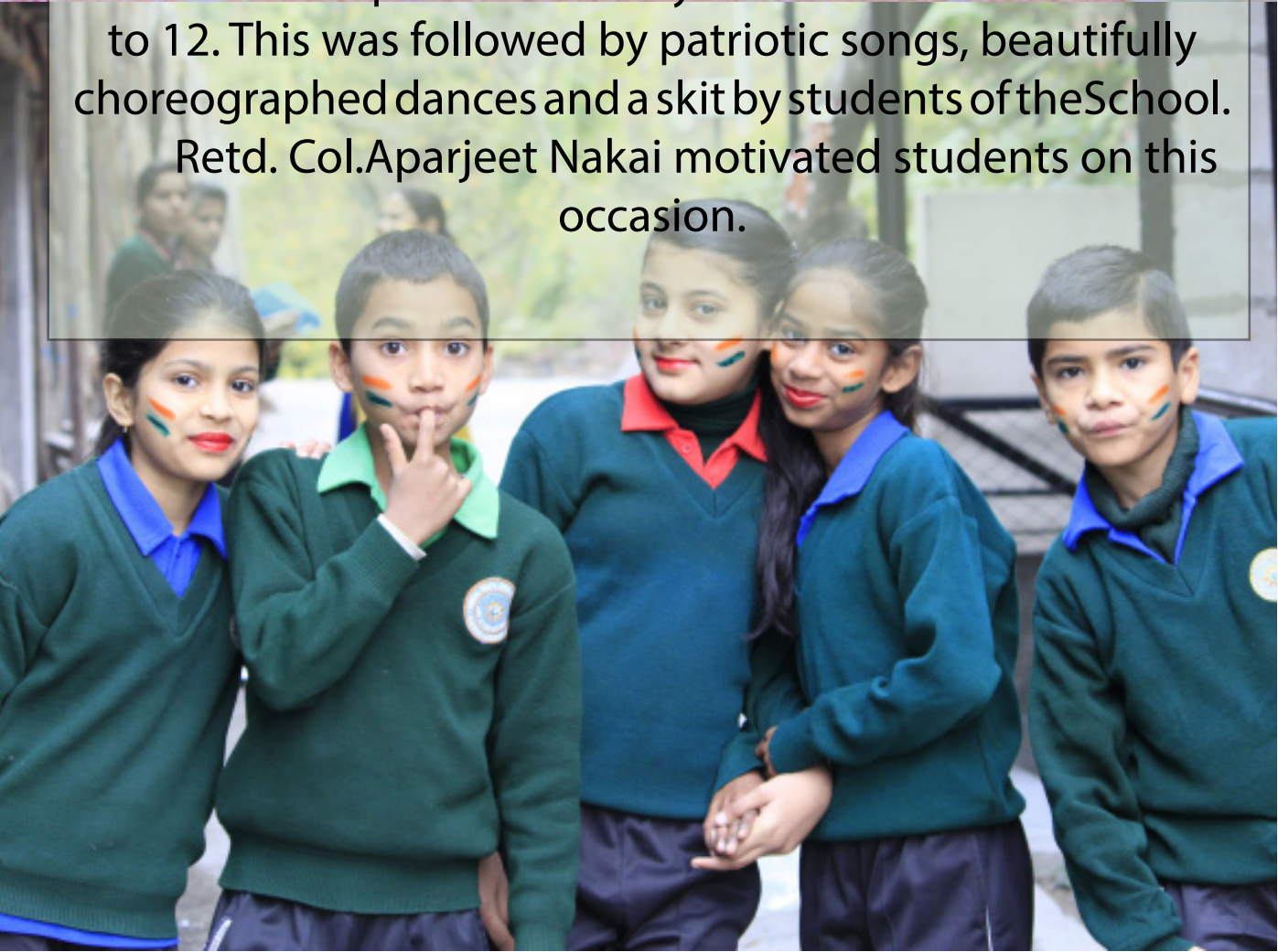
The School had also put up an art and photography exhibition created by the students.

Sports day was organized on the 14th of October at our school .Prizes were distributed to the winners of various sports events. There were inter-house matches for Volleyball, Basketball, Badminton and Table tennis.





The students and children of PYDS along with all the members of our organization celebrated Diwali with great joy and enthusiasm. We had the chanting of mantras on this auspicious occasion of Diwali. All the members of PYDS family received gifts during this celebrations It was cracker free and Diyas were seen everywhere.



Republic Day at School witnessed a March past and aerobics performance by the students of Classes 6 to 12. This was followed by patriotic songs, beautifully choreographed dances and a skit by students of the School. Retd. Col. Aparjeet Nakai motivated students on this occasion.

