

THE GAZETTE



**AARYA RANA
GRADE XII COMMERCIAL ARTS**

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LEARNING EXPEDITIONS AT GD

VISIT TO CENTRAL MUSEUM



The educational trip to the Central Museum in Indore for the students of Grades VI and VII proved to be an integral and engaging part of their curriculum. The primary objective of the excursion was to supplement classroom learning with hands-on experience, allowing students to connect theoretical knowledge with real-world artifacts and historical contexts. Overall, the educational trip to the Central Museum in Indore served as a well-rounded supplement to the Grade VI and VII curriculum. It not only enriched their understanding of history and art but also fostered a sense of curiosity and appreciation for cultural heritage. The hands-on activities and reflective assignments added a layer of experiential learning that will undoubtedly resonate with the students for years to come.

Field trips allow students to learn through experiential learning. It builds an approach to learning how the real world exists. GD GOENKA Indore adapts various teaching methodologies to enhance the learning experience and field trips are always one of them. The students of Grades Nur to II visited the Parle G factory Sanwer Road. During the biscuits factory field trip, We observed the entire factory production process from raw ingredients to packaging. The automated machinery efficiently mixed, shaped, and baked the dough. Quality control measures were evident, ensuring the uniformity of taste, appearance, and size. The hygiene and safety standards were maintained impressively. The presentation of the entire process was shown and explained to children. It was a great and positive learning experience.

VISIT TO PARLE G FACTORY



VISIT TO INDORE ZOO

The educational visit to Indore Zoo was a valuable addition to the Grade VIII science curriculum. It provided students with a memorable and enriching experience, aligning seamlessly with the academic goals of fostering environmental awareness and instilling a sense of responsibility towards the planet. The excursion intends to foster enhanced knowledge of biodiversity and the classification of animals. The students expressed enthusiasm and awe at the diversity of wildlife they encountered. Many mentioned that seeing animals up close reinforced their commitment to environmental stewardship.

The first session was full of information about “What is ecology?” . The students registered were taught about the sanctuaries, National parks all over India. It helped them to understand the structure of sanctuaries and national parks. How it works, who works under them and who lives in it. Many questions were raised and it was an interactive and fruitful session. It helped the students to acknowledge the importance of nature in our society. Brief description about the tools used by caretakers of animals. In conclusion, they were demonstrated about what are the things which cannot be decomposed and what are the causes behind them to our animals.

ARPF- SESSION I



Empowering Minds: A special session with the Additional Director General of Police- Dr. Varun Kapoor

On the 19th of December 2023, GD Goenka Public School hosted a transformative session on cybersecurity featuring Dr. Varun Kapoor IPS, the Additional Director General of Police, INDORE MADHYA PRADESH. The session aimed to equip students and staff with the essential knowledge to navigate the digital landscape securely.

Dr. Varun Kapoor commenced the session by providing a lucid understanding of the diverse cyber threats that individuals encounter daily. His expertise illuminated the complexities of phishing, malware, and other cyber threats, fostering a heightened awareness among the audience.

The session focused on actionable steps to maintain robust cyber hygiene. Dr. Kapoor emphasized the importance of regular system updates, the creation of strong passwords, and the implementation of two-factor authentication as fundamental practices to thwart potential cyberattacks.

Recognizing the prevalence of social media in students' lives, Dr. Kapoor delved into the intricacies of social media usage. He provided insights into responsible online behavior, addressing concerns related to privacy settings, and encouraging a mindful approach to sharing personal information on digital platforms.

The session concluded with a vibrant question-and-answer segment, allowing participants to engage directly with Dr. Kapoor. The interactive nature of this segment facilitated a deeper understanding of cybersecurity concepts and clarified specific queries raised by the audience.

Dr. Varun Kapoor's session at GD Goenka Public School left an indelible mark on the school community, fostering a sense of responsibility and empowerment in navigating the digital landscape. The school extends its gratitude to Dr. Kapoor for his invaluable contribution to enhancing cybersecurity awareness and instilling a sense of cyber resilience among students, staff, and parents.



SESSION ON FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

On December 1st, an insightful session on financial management was conducted for students in Grades VIII to XI. Mr. Ghanshyam Bhavsar, a distinguished speaker with expertise in finance, led the session, providing valuable insights into the world of financial planning and management. The session commenced with an overview of fundamental financial concepts, ensuring that students could grasp the basics. Mr. Bhavsar engaged the students through interactive discussions, making the complex world of finance more accessible and relatable. Throughout the session, Mr. Bhavsar shared real-world examples and practical tips on budgeting, saving, and making informed financial decisions. The aim was to equip students with essential skills that go beyond the classroom and empower them to make wise financial choices in their personal and professional lives. Mr. Bhavsar's engaging presentation style and ability to simplify complex concepts contributed to the success of the session. In conclusion, the financial management session led by Mr. Ghanshyam Bhavsar proved to be a valuable educational experience for students in grades 8th to 11th at GD Goenka Public School. The knowledge gained during this session will undoubtedly serve as a foundation for their future financial literacy and decision-making.



PRIMARY PROWESS UNVEILED

Workshop on Menstrual Awareness and Hygiene



Menstruation is a natural part of the reproductive cycle. However, in most parts of the world, it remains a taboo and is rarely talked about. A workshop for the girls of Grade V on Menstrual Awareness and Hygiene was conducted on 20th December 2023. Girls and women need to maintain good menstrual hygiene to uphold their health and dignity. The same was explained to them in very simplistic terms. During the workshop, the students were told about the science behind menstruation and the myths surrounding it. The girls were also taught basic hygiene that should be maintained during periods. It helped in sensitizing them to various complications arising out of a lack of menstrual hygiene. In the end, a question-answer round was also conducted.



DOOR DECORATION COMPETITION



Inter House Door Decoration Competition was held on 20th December, 2023 at GD Goenka, Indore for the students of Grades III TO V. The theme was Christmas. This competition encouraged the students to outshine in their creative skills and most importantly, work as a team to bring laurels to their class. The doors were judged by our Director, Ms. Sulakshna Badgara.

NATIONAL ENERGY CONSERVATION DAY

National Energy Conservation Day was celebrated in GD Goenka Public School, Indore on 14th December 2023 by students of Grades III to V. Every year on the 14th of December, Indians around the country commemorate National Energy Conservation Day. This endeavor aimed at creating awareness among the students on the conservation of energy resources and spreading awareness about its significance, a special assembly was conducted by our enthusiastic little minds of grade 4 A. The students gave their presentation on Energy Conservation and inculcated in the audience the need for it. They told about various ways to conserve energy in everyday life along with some easy tips like no-cook meals, covering utensils while cooking, etc. It also highlighted less energy usage by neglecting the excessive and wasteful uses. The students participated with great enthusiasm and zeal. Overall, it was an enriching learning experience for the students.





ELEGANCE ON THE RUNWAY

A fashion walk *La Semaine De La Mode* was organized by Grades I and II on the theme of France. The objective of the walk was to make the students aware of the language and culture of France.

Every student was dressed up according to the outfits worn in France. They all walked confidently on the ramp. Team spirit was developed amongst the students and they enjoyed every minute and moment of the activity.

READING CHALLENGE COMPETITION



Reading is essential for those who seek to rise above the ordinary

Good reading habits are a source of knowledge and help acquire better language skills. Our priority is to teach avid and voracious reading and learning habits to our students. Keeping this in mind, G.D Goenka, Indore organized an Inter House English Reading Challenge for our Grades III -V, on Wednesday 13th December 2023. Participants were given an Unseen passage to read within the assigned time.

The competition was judged by Ms Rashida Husain and Ms. Charmain Randhiv. Children were judged based on Pronunciation, Fluency, and Intonation. The competition aimed to promote reading and culture, a habit of reading books among the students. The students were enthusiastic about the competition. Each house had two participants from each grade, a total of 24 participants from Grades III - V.

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NATIONAL MATHEMATICS DAY



National Mathematics Day was celebrated by our Little Goenkans on 22nd December 2023. The students of Grade 2 A presented a special assembly on this Day to mark the birth anniversary of Legendary Indian Mathematician SRINIVASA RAMANUJAN. The little Goenkans Kashavi Jaishur and Laksh Vijeyvergia gave a brief introduction about the special day. Yashaswa Maheshwari played the role of Srinivasa Ramanujan and talked about his contributions and achievements. Saavi Gokhale enacted the role of Human Calculator Ms Shakuntala Devi. Faizaan took us back in history and enacted the role of Aryabhata. The other students presented a skit on EVEN and ODD numbers. The Assembly concluded with the National Anthem at the end.

WORLD SOIL DAY



World Soil Day is held annually on 5th December as a means to focus attention on the importance of healthy soil, as our survival depends on the precious soil. In the face of human activity, our soils are being degraded. On World Soil Day an assembly was conducted by grade I children, where children spoke about the importance of soil, its composition, and what steps should be taken to prevent soil erosion. Children put scoops of soil in a pot and planted a plant sapling. This activity enabled the children to understand that the food we eat and clothes we wear come from plants and we can take care of the soil by planting trees. It was an enriching assembly for children who understood that caring for our planet starts from the ground.



NATIONAL HORSE DAY



Worldwide horses play an important role within human cultures and have done so much for millennia. December 13th is celebrated as National Horse Day. Little Goenkans celebrated this day to understand the important roles horses have played in the country's history, economy, military, and culture. Children from Grade Jr. KG participated in the activity on 13th December, Wednesday, wearing horse headgear, and shared some important facts related to the horse. Summed up by enthusiastic dance on "lakdi ki kathi".

TRAFFIC LEARNING



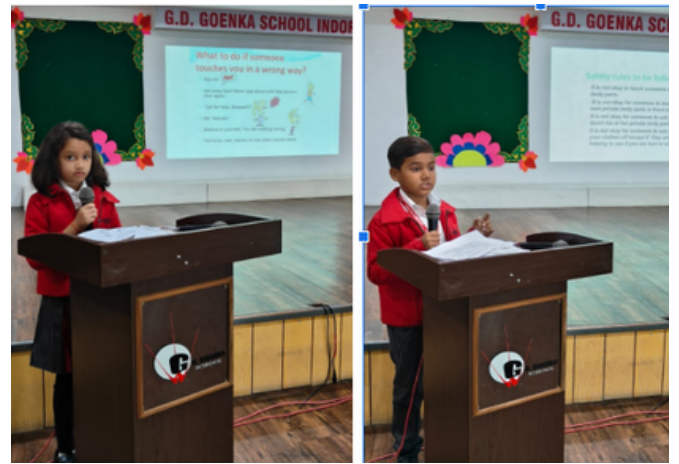
Our little Goenkans celebrated Traffic Park Day on 20th Dec 2023. The park is designed to create a live example for children to understand different means of transport, which involves Air Transport, Water Transport, and Land Transport. It also creates awareness among children regarding traffic rules and public safety. Students were made aware of various aspects related to road safety especially the importance of traffic lights and zebra crossing. They also got knowledge about the use of pedestrian paths. Students were guided about the precautions they have to take on roads, and on vehicles in a playway. Children from Grades Nursery to II were explained about the park. The activity culminated with joyful rhymes on Different means of transport.

SPECIAL ASSEMBLIES

A special assembly was conducted by the students of grade 3 A on the topic of "Safe Touch". The audience included Grades III to V. The assembly started with a peaceful Om chanting and prayer to energize the young minds. This was followed by the thought of the day and word of the day. G.D. News and news from around the world were shared to keep the children updated. This was followed by an insightful presentation where the children were briefed about safe and unsafe touch and information about unwanted touch. The safety rules one must follow and what one must do when someone touches them unsafely or unwantedly were discussed. The assembly concluded with a fun game where the audience had to identify safe and unsafe touches from the situations presented to them. The national anthem was sung at the end to pay tribute to our nation.



SAFE TOUCH



ANTI BULLYING

A vibrant chorus of "Kindness Matters!" echoed through the halls as students from Grades III to V took center stage in an anti-bullying assembly. From informative presentations depicting the sting of exclusion to empowering songs about friendship and acceptance, the young leaders led their peers on a journey of empathy and understanding. Interactive quizzes exposed hidden biases, while student testimonials resonated with vulnerability and strength. By the end, the room pulsed with a unified pledge: to be upstanders, not bystanders, and build a school where everyone feels safe and belonging. The assembly wasn't just a performance; it was a promise, a commitment to kindness echoed in every high five and warm smile.



EXPLORING WORLD: SRILANKA

At GD GOENKA, our students embark on a captivating journey of exploration during our distinctive morning assemblies. In a recent session, they delved into the rich tapestry of SRI LANKA, unraveling its cultural nuances, language, population dynamics, trade, economic indices, vibrant dance forms, sports, and renowned universities.

WORKSHOP " L'Art d'enseignement "

"French facilitators were gathered to have insight learning about the grammar. The session was about enriching the skills of the students through different activities like BINGO, Singing a song, and enactment. It also made us understand how one can help the children learn the rules and memorize the vocabulary. Such sessions helped us in interacting with the teachers in French and improvising our communication skills."

Ms. Monika Bajaj, Ms. Simran Punjabi- French Educators



Class dismissed, but the holiday spirit stays: CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION AT GD

Decking the halls of knowledge with festive cheer! 🎄 ✨ Celebrating the season of joy and friendship at school – where every lesson is a gift and every friend is a cherished present. Jingle through school corridors! 🎅 🎁 ✨ Spreading joy, laughter, and a dash of holiday magic with my awesome classmates.



Christmas was celebrated by our little Goenkans of Grade III-V with lots of joy, delight, and a yummy McDonald's treat. They visited McDonald's at Phoenix Citadel Mall on 23 December and savored a delicious Happy Meal, all while sliding into the Christmas and holiday spirit. It was a fun-filled and gratifying experience for all.

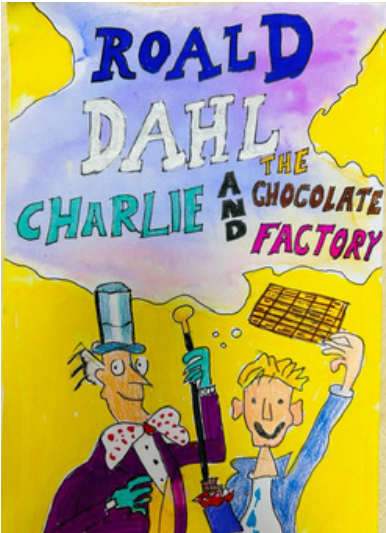


Christmas is celebrated around the world to commemorate the birth of Jesus Christ. It is observed on December 25th every year. It is marked by the exchange of gifts with family and friends, singing Caroles, decorating Christmas trees, hanging stockings, etc. Children from Grades Nursery to II celebrated the festival on the 23rd of Dec with great joy and enthusiasm. The celebration started with the skit on the birth of Jesus Christ, where teachers and children showcased their creativity through shadow play. The shadow play was followed by a song presented by Sr. Kg students.

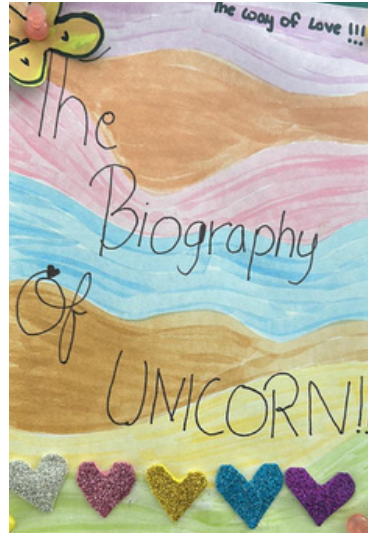
The celebration continued to unfold with dance performances by students from Nursery, Jr.Kg, Grade I and II. The children were delighted with the surprised arrival of their beloved Santa Claus in their respective classes. All the children sprung with joy and excitement after receiving chocolates and sweets from Santa Claus and hand-made wreaths, Santa cards, etc, to take their homes as takeaways.

STUDENT ARTISTRY

The design of bookmarks by students at GD GOENKA PUBLIC SCHOOL INDORE not only added a personalized touch to reading but also promoted creativity, collaboration, and community engagement. This project served as a testament to the school's commitment to holistic education and nurturing the multifaceted talents of its students. The bookmarks, now cherished keepsakes, continue to inspire a love for literature and art within the school community.



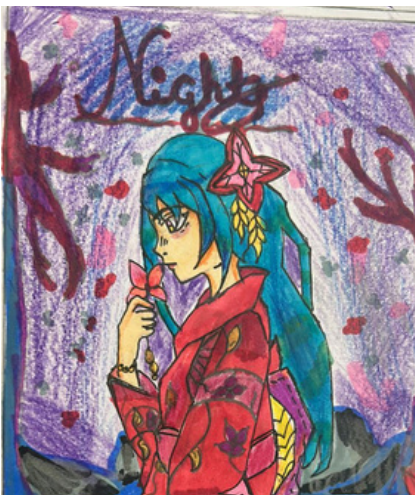
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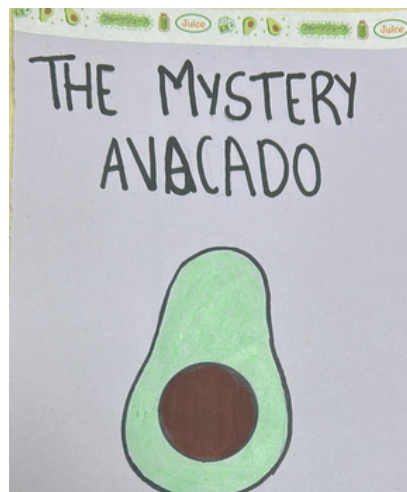
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ANANYA SENGWAR VII B



ADYAAN ALI VIII

Beyond the Textbooks: A Deeper Dive into Spirituality By Jay Jain VIII



Spirituality refers to having complete control over our souls. Spirituality teaches us how to live life. Every soul in this world has some basic qualities, be it that of animals or humans and those qualities are purity, loving, caring, honesty, humble, and a lot other good qualities. However, these qualities get destroyed as we get older. Because of this, nowadays, we often hear about students going into depression. They cannot handle much pressure and get suppressed by it. These are not normal things and need to be dealt with properly. To prevent this from happening, parents should give more time to their children and talk to them about life. Also, there should be at least two to three classes a week to enhance the soul power of students so they can handle life situations.

Spirituality teaches us to take responsibility of our life and if we have that power, then we can change our destiny. It tells us to not compete with others but to be better than the person we were yesterday.

I would like to end with this quote-

"Do not try to fix whatever comes in your life. Fix yourself in such a way that whatever comes, you will be fine."-
SADGURU

SPORTS DESK – DECEMBER, 2023

We had an active month as far as sports are concerned for December month, as we introduced our ongoing morning fitness ZUMBA sessions for grades 3 to 12, to our young Goenkans, for Pre Primary grades.

Our Under 14 School boy's football team, played their first Inter School Sahodaya Tournament, organized by Aguta School Indore, where the team performed well.

The leading performers were, Mohit Chouhan, Kartikeya, along with the remaining players who fought and played as a Unit. Our Shuttler, Ranak Shastri, participated at the HMG Inter district badminton tournament, and performed brilliantly by reaching till the Semi Final round for the Under 13 age category.

Team Taekwondo GD Goenka Indore, for an outstanding performance at the CBSE Sahodaya Tournament, organized at Vedant Vidyakulam School Indore on 16th December 2023.

Aaradhya Agarwal and Oshin Panwar won the Gold Medal, Mishka Singh won the Silver Medal and Atharv Maheshwari won the Bronze Medal for their champion performance.

Apart from this regular sports activities for all sports divisions were observed, where the students progressed a step ahead for their respective Sport.



AARADHYA AGARWAL- V



OSHIN PANWAR-III B



MISHKA SINGH-III A



ATHARV MAHESHWARI-VIA



Chess Tournament Team

Football Tournament Team



One of our school passed-out student from the batch 2021-22 Mohit Agarwal, won his 3rd Gold Medal at the ongoing World Power Lifting Tournament representing Team India, in Thailand. Extreme proud moment for our Institution and the Country.



"खान-पान की बदलती तस्वीर"

Hindi learnt in fun

इस विषय वस्तु को लेकर जी० डी० गोयंका पब्लिक स्कूल के प्रांगण में कक्षा सातवीं के विद्यार्थियों द्वारा एक शानदार गतिविधि का आयोजन किया गया। जिसके अंतर्गत सभी विद्यार्थी अपने घर से बने हुए खाद्य पदार्थ लेकर आए व उन्होंने उससे संबंधित जानकारी एक-दूसरे के साथ साझा की। विद्यार्थियों ने साथ में मिल-जुलकर भोजन का लुत्फ भी उठाया।

यह गतिविधि कार्य विषय विभागाध्यक्षा मीना जोशी मेडम के मार्गदर्शन में सम्पन्न हुई। विद्यार्थियों के इस गतिविधि कार्य की कोऑर्डिनेटर महोदया निधि श्रीवास्तव द्वारा सराहना की गई।



RIKU KENKO: Exchange Student

Delhi, the vibrant heart of India, beckoned, and Riku Keneko XI, an exchange student at GD Goenka Public School, answered its call. Embarking on a journey far beyond the classrooms of Indore, Riku joined fellow exchange students from across the globe at the Winter Orientation Meet. This wasn't just a gathering, it was a portal to a universe of cultural kaleidoscopes and new beginnings.



Winter Orientation Meet



Demonstration of Japanese Martial Art — Kendo

Bamboo and Bravery: Riku's Kendo Demonstration takes the little Goenkans by Storm. Riku's Kendo demonstration wasn't just a display of martial prowess; it was a cultural bridge, connecting the bustling heart of Indore with the ancient traditions of Japan. As he donned the protective armor, the clatter of bamboo resonating through the assembly hall, a hush fell over the crowd. Curiosity crackled in the air, anticipation dancing in the eyes of the young onlookers from the primary years. This wasn't a scene from a samurai movie; it was Riku Keneko, our exchange student from Japan, sharing the art of Kendo with the wide-eyed juniors of GD Goenka Public School.



From the desk of the Director

Ms. Preeti Assudani

MAGICAL SEEDS

Scattered deep in my heart
unseen, untouched
somewhere here & there
I found in dark some seeds,
Nurtured, cared and watered with love
grown into a profound happiness that surrounds me making
every moment magical.
Searching the roots of this magic I found
these are the seeds grown magically into hope, joy & happiness.

Every heart has seeds inside that
just needs some moments
to love,
to care,
to touch,
apart the worldly matters
magic always lies within our hearts
just bring out that
magic of life,
magic of beauty,
magic of your own self,
and live magically to spread happiness around.

From crayons to the confidence: A note on joyful souls

"An investment in knowledge pays the best interest"

Since times immemorial, we have witnessed the school creating an indelible impression on the child's mind, not through the content knowledge but through the connection with the child. Marks/grades matter, but more importantly, it is the attitude toward learning and the desire to create an innovative mark on the 21st-century trails of a learner.

At The G.D. Goenka, we attempt to create a safe, non-threatening, conducive, happy learning experience for each child. We aim to create Global citizens who are appreciative, adventurous, compassionate, courageous, exploratory, tenacious, resilient, reflective and responsible.

From textbooks to tablets, from chalk and duster to padlet, from green board to smart board, from stereotypes to open discussions, from being intimidated and apprehensive to being confident and inquisitive, from being homesick to being at home away from home.

Goenkans have been adapting and evolving. We know that the child is the most important stakeholder and center of focus for and for as long as education revolves around students and their holistic growth.

Real education is not teaching the subject, but the students. As much as it is within the walls of a classroom, it is more evident through real-life experiences. Our belief lies in fostering every child's potential by providing them with opportunities for independent and lifelong learning. Their energy, enthusiasm, views on the world, and a keen desire to be active members of the community are what make coming to school each day worthwhile.



Ms. Anamika Tiwari
Academic Coordinator
Pre- Primary

From the desk of the Admission Head

Ms. Pratibha Sharma

Dear Parents,

Hope the New Year has brought new hopes and colors to everyone's canvas and further with time it will bring a lot of cheer and positivity, within safe bounds.

I am happy to share the Student Referral Program once again with all our parents.

We have been continuing to excel and associate very well in terms of new students. We thank all our parents for your ongoing support and trust in us. Also, while additional growth will come from the school's campaigns in reaching out to newer families, nothing can beat the references you all bring in as existing parents and families of GD Goenka Indore.

A word of testimony from you goes miles longer than any other outreach program and to that extent we are very grateful to the parents who have already brought in references for new students. To express our gratitude, we're introducing a program where, a reward gesture will be given to you for referrals that you bring in, that are converted into admissions. This is our small gesture to say, "Thank You" and also convey how important it is for us to grow GD Goenka not just in sheer numbers, but also in the quality of families we expand with.

To share references you can touch base with our Admissions Team on 7771020000 / 9522289047

Thanks & Regards

Pratibha Sharma

Admissions Team – GD Goenka Indore

