

# THE GAZETTE



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# SPARTA 2026: YOUNG CHAMPIONS IN ACTION



*The Annual Sports Day “SPARTA” was celebrated with great enthusiasm and joy on 1 February 2026 at GD Goenka Public School. The event aimed to promote teamwork, sportsmanship, physical fitness, and confidence among students.*

*The program began with the gracious arrival of the Chief Guest, Mr. Ajeet Jhavar, a distinguished sportsman and entrepreneur, who was warmly welcomed by the school administration. The celebration commenced with the colorful release of balloons followed by the torch relay and the lighting of the ceremonial flame, officially marking the opening of the Sparta Meet.*

*Students from Nursery to Grade II participated in a disciplined and vibrant march past, showcasing unity and team spirit. A captivating Surya Namaskar performance by the students highlighted the importance of yoga and well-being.*

*The event featured a variety of exciting individual races such as the bean bag race, T-cone race, lemon and spoon race, sack race, and hurdle race, where students displayed remarkable enthusiasm and determination. The drill displays, including the bottle shaker drill, parachute drill, tricolour ribbon drill, and the graceful Flutter and Sway drill by Grade II students, added colour and vibrancy to the event. The Kata display by Grade I and II students impressed the audience with their coordination and discipline.*

*The team events, including the backpack race with parents, balancing the ball race, and relay race, brought cheers and excitement from the spectators. The Grade II relay race served as a thrilling finale to the day’s events.*

*The program concluded with a prize distribution ceremony, where the winners were felicitated with medals by the Chief Guest. In his address, Mr. Ajeet Jhavar congratulated the young participants and encouraged them to continue striving for excellence.*

*The event concluded with a vote of thanks, leaving students with the valuable message that participation and sportsmanship are as important as winning.*



# ATHLETIC MEET 2025–26: A CELEBRATION OF STRENGTH, SPEED AND SPORTSMANSHIP



*GD Goenka Public School organized an exhilarating Athletic Meet 2025–26 for students of Grades III to VIII on 6 February 2026. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation and showcased the remarkable athletic abilities of the students.*

*The meet was inaugurated by Principal Mr. Arora, along with Head of Admissions Ms. Pratibha Sharma, Ms. Rashida Husain (AH), Ms. Meena Joshi (Cultural Head), and Head of Sports Mr. Gurjar. The program commenced with a captivating presentation of the traditional martial art Kalaripayattu, which energized the audience and set the stage for an action-packed day.*

*Students participated with great zeal in a variety of athletic events including the 100 metre race, relay race, shot put, standing broad jump, hurdle race, and many more. The competitions highlighted the students' speed, strength, agility, and determination. The spirit of sportsmanship was evident throughout the event as teachers and students enthusiastically cheered and encouraged the participants.*

*The Athletic Meet served as a wonderful platform for students to demonstrate their talents while fostering teamwork, discipline, and healthy competition. The event concluded on a high note, celebrating the achievements of the winners and applauding the efforts of all participants.*

*The day truly reflected the school's commitment to nurturing physical fitness and the holistic development of its students.*

## DISCIPLINE BREEDS SUCCESS

Advik Gupta, a talented student and dedicated martial artist, brought laurels to the school by securing the Bronze Medal in the Kata category at the Indore Division Dhammika Kai Kata Championship, held on 8 February.

His remarkable achievement reflects his technical proficiency, focus, and dedication to Shotokan Karate. Advik's performance stood out as a fine example of discipline, hard work, and perseverance.

The school proudly congratulates Advik Gupta on this commendable accomplishment and wishes him continued success in all his future endeavors. 🏆👏



## SKATING TO SUCCESS

Aanshi Teegal of KG 1 has achieved a remarkable feat, securing the Silver Medal at the Inter School Skating Tournament held at Catalyst World School Indore on February 8th, 2026. This outstanding accomplishment is a testament to her dedication and passion for skating. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to Aanshi and express our gratitude to her parents and coaches for their unwavering support. Her triumph exemplifies our school's commitment to nurturing young talent and fostering a culture of excellence.



## EARLY YEARS & PRIMARY HIGHLIGHTS



G.D. Goenka Public School celebrated World Pulses Day with great enthusiasm for students of Nursery to Class II on 10 February 2026. The event began with a brief introduction on the importance of pulses in our daily diet. The young learners enthusiastically enacted and introduced themselves as different pulses such as lentils, chickpeas, peas, and beans, sharing their health benefits with confidence and joy. Some students also recited short poems highlighting the value of including pulses in our meals.

The celebration concluded with students taking an oath to eat healthy and nutritious pulses regularly, reinforcing the importance of good eating habits.



## LITTLE SHOPPERS AT GD MART

Students of Class KG II participated in an engaging activity titled “Step into GD MART: A Hands-On Shopping Adventure” on 11 February 2026. The classroom was transformed into a lively marketplace, giving children an opportunity to experience the excitement of shopping while learning important life skills.

GD MART featured three specialty stores—GD Stationery, GD Garments, and GD Grocery. Students enthusiastically took on the roles of both shopkeepers and shoppers, making the activity interactive and enjoyable.

Through this fun learning experience, children developed an understanding of the value of money, basic arithmetic, and social etiquette. They practiced identifying currency, adding totals, calculating change, greeting others politely, asking for prices, and waiting patiently for their turn. The activity proved to be a wonderful blend of learning and fun, helping students connect classroom concepts with real-life situations.

Students of Grade II A conducted a special assembly on the occasion of Mahashivratri with great devotion and enthusiasm. The program began with the chanting of the Mahamrityunjaya Mantra, creating a serene and spiritual atmosphere. The students welcomed the audience and briefly explained the significance of the festival.

A soulful group bhajan, “Om Namah Shivaya,” was presented by the students. They also shared the stories of Lord Shiva and Goddess Parvati’s divine marriage and how Lord Shiva saved the world by consuming poison and became Neelkanth.

The assembly included a short skit titled “How Lord Shiva Saved the World” and an energetic devotional dance dedicated to Lord Shiva, which was appreciated by everyone.

## MAHASHIVRATRI SPECIAL ASSEMBLY



## SAY NO TO MOBILE ADDICTION

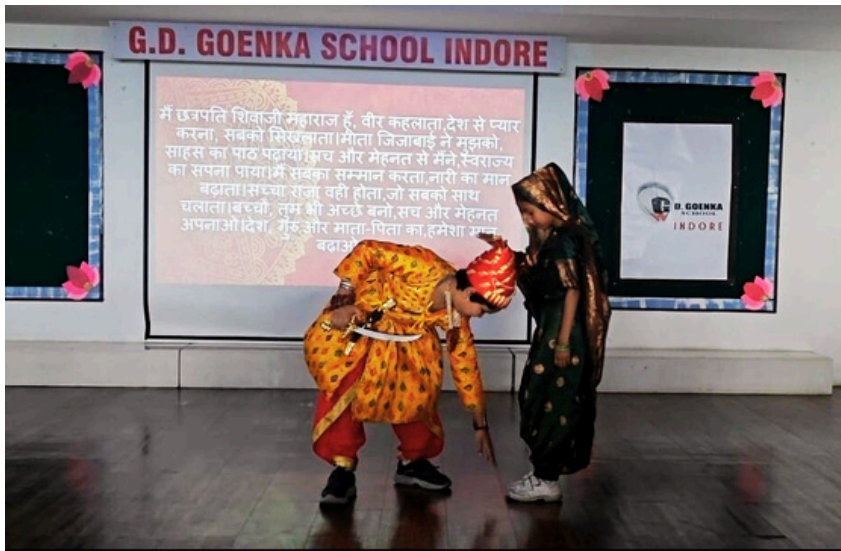


Students of KG II B conducted a thoughtful assembly on the theme “Unplug to Reconnect – Say No to Mobile Addiction.” The objective of the assembly was to create awareness about the negative effects of excessive screen time and encourage children to engage more with the real world.

The highlight of the assembly was a teacher-led skit portraying a student’s “day in the life,” effectively showing how excessive use of mobile phones can impact daily activities and relationships. The engaging performance delivered a strong and relatable message to the young audience.

The assembly emphasized that while technology is a useful tool, real-life connections and experiences are far more valuable. It concluded with an inspiring message encouraging students to spend more time on healthy activities, friendships, and meaningful interactions beyond screens. 📵

## REMEMBERING THE LEGACY OF CHHATRAPATI SHIVAJI MAHARAJ



The morning assembly on 19th February 2026 was conducted by Grade 3A to commemorate the birth anniversary of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj. The assembly began with a prayer, creating a calm and positive start to the day. This was followed by a Thought for the Day inspired by the values of courage, leadership, and patriotism that Shivaji Maharaj stood for. Students shared key highlights from the life and achievements of Shivaji Maharaj. They also spoke about the inspiring role of his mother, Jijabai, whose guidance and strong values played an important part in shaping his character and vision. The highlight of the assembly was a heartfelt poem recited by the students, celebrating the bravery, wisdom, and sense of justice of the great leader. The session concluded with an engaging quiz in which students participated enthusiastically and showcased their knowledge. The assembly was informative, inspiring, and beautifully presented, leaving everyone motivated to follow the noble values of great leaders in their daily lives.



## LEARNING BEYOND BOUNDARIES: INSPIRING TEACHERS, TRANSFORMING CLASSROOMS

An enriching in-house training session titled “Learning Beyond Boundaries” was recently organized by G.D. Goenka Public School with the aim of strengthening teachers’ pedagogical practices and encouraging innovative, inclusive approaches to teaching. The session offered valuable insights into Experiential Learning, Joyful Learning, and Differentiated Teaching, highlighting the importance of creating a positive classroom environment where every child feels valued. Teachers explored the concept of learning by doing, discovering how hands-on activities and real-life connections can make lessons more meaningful and engaging. A key highlight of the workshop was the discussion on Multiple Intelligences, a theory proposed by Howard Gardner, which emphasizes recognizing and nurturing the diverse strengths of every learner. The session also shed light on EVS as an integrated curriculum, demonstrating how subjects can be connected to make learning more relevant and relatable for students. The training included several interactive, skill-based activities that encouraged collaboration, creativity, and critical thinking among teachers. True to its theme, the workshop inspired educators to move beyond traditional teaching boundaries and embrace dynamic, learner-centered practices in the classroom.

# CELEBRATING YOUNG ACHIEVERS: IGKO & IEO MEDAL CEREMONY



# EVOLUTION: SURVIVAL OF THE FITTEST

Editorial Note by Mr. Mukesh Bhayal, Head of English



Darwin might not have thought that his theory of survival of the fittest would revolutionize the world of biology, but it did. Darwin said that it's not the strongest that survives but the fittest that does. Do you know that cockroaches lived at the time of dinosaurs too? Dinosaurs were gigantic and strong. Yet they are extinct. The images of dinosaurs that you see are a mere work of imagination backed by science. But why are dinosaurs gone? They didn't, or couldn't, adapt to the changing environment. Cockroaches, on the other hand, still live and trouble us; no matter how much we try to kill them using Hit. It's not because they are strong; dinosaurs were much stronger. What enabled them to live on the planet for millions of years? They are adaptable; they change in a way that the environment wants them to. Now, the theory of survival of the fittest isn't applicable only to biology. It, by extension, can be used in various spheres of life.

With the advent of AI, the world is only going to be more globalized and more interconnected which is going to make the marketplace much more competitive than it already is. If one is to stay relevant, one will have to adapt, change and embrace the new world. Being a global language, English gives you an edge when it comes to staying updated. Countries are investing a lot of money in upgrading AI, and this AI revolution is nothing short of a boon if we know how to leverage it for our progress. It's no exaggeration if we say that English, more than any other language, can empower you to use the power of AI. So, learning to communicate in English is crucial.

Now let's change the direction. You get plenty of opportunities at home to learn your mother tongue - Hindi, for most of us. What about English? We may either not have the opportunity to learn English at home, or lack the willingness to communicate with family members in English (sometimes, we do feel that our mother tongue is the best when it comes to expressing our emotions, don't we?). Hence, we, at G D Goenka Public School Indore, take the responsibility to ensure that you make efforts to learn English. We create an environment that is conducive for learning English. We don't believe in making it mandatory for students to talk in English. We believe in making them understand how talking in English can give them wings to fly into the infinite sky of knowledge. Activities, which make English fun, are a day-to-day phenomenon at G D Goenka. We remain firm in our commitment to enhance the language skills of our students.



# LITTLE HANDS, BIG CREATIVITY



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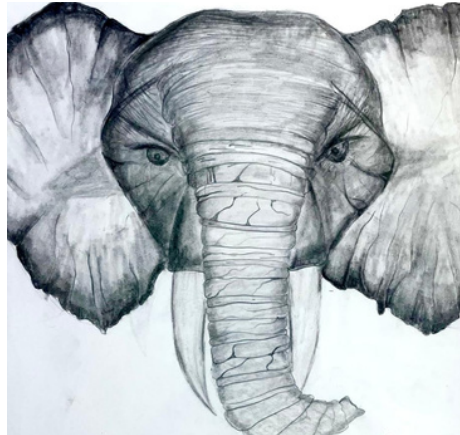
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## A YEAR OF CREATIVITY: GRADE VI ART COLLECTION

This year, Grade VI students explored a variety of artistic techniques, creating a vibrant collection of work. They learned the intricate patterns of Madhubani painting, captured nature's beauty through Botanical Art, experimented with expressive Line Art, and designed calming Mandalas. Each artwork reflects the students' creativity, skill, and dedication, making this collection a true celebration of their artistic journey



## REFLECTIONS ON A YEAR OF LEARNING AND GROWTH

By Ms Nidhi Srivastava, Chief Editor & Academic Coordinator

As we approach the final month of the academic session, it is a wonderful opportunity to pause and reflect on a year filled with learning, achievements, and memorable experiences. The past months have been a journey of growth for our students, teachers, and the entire school community.

Throughout the year, our students actively participated in a wide range of academic, cultural, and co-curricular activities. From engaging classroom learning to vibrant assemblies, competitions, sports events, and creative celebrations, every activity contributed to building confidence, curiosity, and teamwork among our learners. Many students brought laurels to the school through their outstanding performances in Olympiads, inter-school competitions, and sports tournaments, making us immensely proud. Equally inspiring has been the dedication of our teachers, who continuously worked to make learning meaningful and joyful. Through innovative teaching methods, interactive classroom practices, and professional development sessions, they ensured that every child received opportunities to explore, question, and grow.

The support and encouragement from parents have also played a significant role in shaping a positive learning environment. Their partnership with the school has helped nurture responsible, confident, and compassionate young individuals. As we prepare to close this academic chapter, we celebrate not only achievements but also the effort, perseverance, and progress shown by every student. Each step taken this year has contributed to shaping brighter futures. With gratitude for the experiences shared and the milestones achieved, we look forward to another year filled with new opportunities, fresh learning, and continued success. Let us carry forward the spirit of curiosity, determination, and excellence into the coming session.

