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G D Goenka Public School, Indore celebrated the 77th Republic Day with great enthusiasm through a Special Assembly held on 24 January 2026. The programme began with a welcome song and an address highlighting the significance of Republic Day and the Indian Constitution. The National Flag was hoisted by the Special Guest, Ms Kanta Arora, along with the Principal, Mr Ashish Arora. Students presented patriotic songs, dances, and speeches, emphasizing constitutional values and citizens' duties. A skit by teachers showcased the core values of the Constitution, Fundamental Rights and Duties, and the Right to Education. The celebration concluded with a spirited group dance on "Vande Mataram" and refreshments, leaving everyone filled with pride and unity.



GRADUATION DAY 2025-26: A PROUD MILESTONE AND A FOND FAREWELL TO CLASS XII



G D Goenka Public School, Indore celebrated the Graduation Day of Class XII for the academic session 2025-26 with pride and dignity, marking a significant milestone in the students' academic journey.

The ceremony began with the lighting of the lamp, symbolising knowledge and enlightenment. The event was honoured by the presence of the Chief Guest, Mr Navin Khandelwal, whose words of encouragement inspired the graduates. Parents joined the celebration, making the occasion memorable and emotional.

Teachers presented citations highlighting students' achievements and growth, while melodious performances by the Music Department added warmth to the event. The ceremony concluded with heartfelt good wishes, as the school bid farewell to the outgoing batch and wished them success in their future endeavours.



Young Minds, Big Ideas: Junior Balvigyan Competition Success

G D Goenka Public School, Indore participated in the Junior Balvigyan Competition held at Queens' College, Indore, on January 10, 2026. The school was represented by Arjun Pandey, Agastya, and Mohit Singhal (Grade VIII) and Prakhar Thakur, Nilesh, and Paras (Grade VII), guided by Ms. Hema Bhakuni.

The students showcased impressive scientific thinking, creativity, and teamwork through their models and presentations. Their confident performance earned them the Best Performance Award, bringing pride and recognition to the school.

Voices of Pride, Echoes of Glory

G D Goenka Public School, Indore proudly secured Second Position at the Inter-School Group Singing Competition on the Patriotic theme, organised by Sewa Bharti Organisation at Jaal Auditorium, Indore, on 20 January 2026.

The team delivered a soulful rendition of "Jannat Se Pyara Desh Hamara", composed by Mr. Aditya Singh, under the able guidance of Ms. Sneha Kshirsagar and Mr. Vipin Kasera. The performance earned the school a cash prize of ₹11,000, certificates, and a winning frame, bringing great pride and honour to the institution. 🏆👏

Colours of Creativity Tricolour Salad Decoration Competition



An Inter-House Tricolour Salad Decoration Competition for Grades III-V was organised on 28 January 2026 as part of CCA, celebrating creativity, patriotism, and teamwork. Students enthusiastically created vibrant salad designs using tricolour fruits and vegetables, depicting the map of India, national symbols, and themes of unity.

The event saw active participation from all houses and was judged by Ms. Surbhi and Ms. Varsha on creativity, presentation, and teamwork. Swami Vivekanand House secured First Position, followed by Radhakrishnan House in Second and Mother Teresa House in Third. The competition was a joyful and enriching experience that fostered artistic expression and love for the nation.



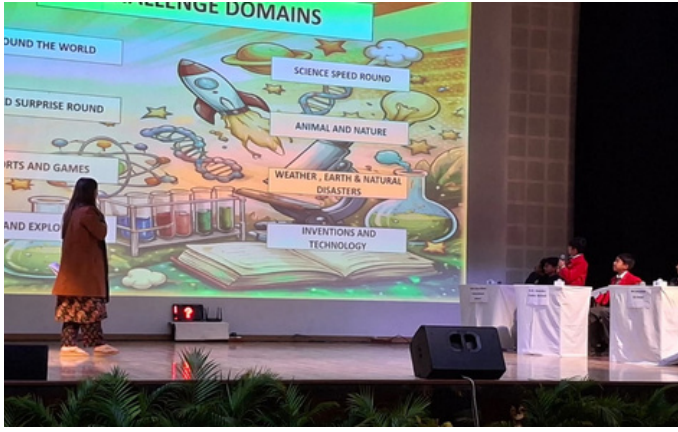
Melodies in Harmony: Inter-House Singing Competition



An Inter-House Singing Competition was held on 30 January 2026 at the Multi-Purpose Hall for students of Classes VI to XII, witnessing enthusiastic participation from all four Houses. Judged by Mr. Manish Dev and Ms. Anamika Tiwari, the event featured soulful Sufi-themed group performances that captivated the audience.

Tagore House emerged as the star performer, securing First Prize in both Group and Solo Singing Competitions, while Teresa House won First Prize in the Instrumental Music Competition. The event concluded on a high note, celebrating musical talent, confidence, and artistic expression.

Ignite 2026: Inter-School Quiz Competition



The school team participated in the prestigious Inter-School Quiz Competition “Ignite” held at Daly College on 30 January 2026. The event saw enthusiastic participation from several renowned schools, making it a highly competitive and enriching experience.

Our four-member team displayed commendable knowledge and presence of mind across diverse areas including history, science, literature, and current affairs, and secured an impressive 4th position. The competition offered a valuable platform for learning, interaction, and intellectual growth, and proved to be a rewarding experience for all participants.

Patriotic Choir Performance at India Gate



The school choir of G.D. Goenka Public School represented the school at India Gate (Gandhi Statue), Regal Square, Indore, on 23rd January 2026, as part of the Republic Day celebrations organized by the District Administration, Indore, in coordination with Seva-Suraksha. The students performed the patriotic song “Jannat Se Pyara Desh Hamara”, composed by Mr. Aditya Singh. The choir was guided and trained by music mentors Ms. Sneha Kshirsagar and Mr. Vipin Kasera. The performance reflected strong patriotic spirit and was well appreciated by the audience.

PRIMARY & PRE-PRIMARY HAPPENINGS

Unity in Diversity: Cultural Celebrations at GD Goenka



G.D. Goenka Public School celebrated India’s rich cultural heritage through a special assembly on 23 January 2025, combining Harvest Festivals—Makar Sankranti, Bihu, Pongal, and Lohri—with Basant Panchami and the birth anniversary of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose. The assembly, conducted by Grade 4A in the MPH, began with prayers to Goddess Saraswati, a poem, and reflections on Netaji’s life, inspiring values of wisdom and patriotism. Teachers from Nursery to KG II presented graceful dances showcasing the festivals. The celebration continued with bonfire and kite-flying activities, followed by creative kite-making in classrooms. The event fostered joy, learning, and a strong sense of unity in diversity.





Visit to Traffic Park: Learning Road Safety

On Wednesday, 21st January 2026, the students of GD Goenka Public School visited the Traffic Park. A traffic police officer welcomed the students and taught them important traffic rules and road safety measures. They learned the meaning of traffic lights, the importance of using zebra crossings, and walking on footpaths.

The students also watched a safety video on a large LED screen, which emphasized wearing helmets while riding and seat belts in cars. The visit was both enjoyable and educational, helping students develop good habits and promising to follow traffic rules daily.

Little Speakers on the Move

KG 1 students of GD Goenka Public School, Indore participated in a Show and Tell activity on the theme Transport. Children confidently presented toy vehicles and pictures, speaking a few lines about different modes of land, air, and water transport. The activity enhanced their speaking skills, confidence, and overall awareness in a fun and interactive way.



SPORTS SPOTLIGHT

Skating Champions Shine at Atal Khel Parisar



The young skaters of GD Goenka Public School showcased exceptional talent at the Skating Competition held at Atal Khel Parisar on 25th December, bringing pride to the school with a remarkable medal haul.

- 🥇 **Gold – Nirvi Sharma (V), Ruhi Baid (IV), Nikunj Chouhan (VI)**
- 🥈 **Silver – Vaidehi Patel (V), Dhairya Patel (IV)**
- 🥉 **Bronze – Vaibhav Chouhan (IV)**

GD Goenka Skaters: Born to Roll



🏆 Medal Tally:

- 🥇 **Ruhi Baid (Grade IV)**
- 🥈 **Advika Sharma (Grade VIII)**
- 🥉 **Anayah Ahmed (Grade VI)**
- 🥉 **Paridhi Johri (Grade VII)**

Special appreciation to Parv (Grade VI) and Aradhya Patidar (Grade VI) for their commendable performances and sporting spirit.

The spirit of speed, balance, and determination was on full display as the young champions of GD Goenka Public School participated in the 24th Open Cadet, Sub Junior & Junior Roller Skating Competition held at Radiant Institute of Management and Science on 18th January 2026. Our skaters delivered a stellar performance, bringing laurels to the school with their remarkable achievements.

GD Goenka Judo: Rising with Pride

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GD Goenka Public School proudly announces that Priyanshi Soni (Grade IX) has been selected to represent the State at the Khelo MP Youth Games held on 18th January 2025 at Emerald Heights International School, Rau.

This achievement reflects her dedication, discipline, and hard work under the guidance of Coach Ms. Vishakha Pathak.

Heartiest congratulations to Priyanshi! The GDGPS family wishes her great success and cheers her on for the upcoming games.



Chess Champions: GDGPS Indore 🏆



GD Goenka Public School, Indore proudly clinched the Best School Trophy in Chess for securing maximum points and outstanding participation at the Inter-School Chess Tournament hosted by Narayan E Techno School, Bicholi.

A special note of gratitude to Mr. Bhagwat Singh, whose expert guidance shaped this stellar victory.

Kudos to our chess champions for their sharp strategies and brilliant performances that brought laurels to GDGPS

🏆 Gold Medalists:

Swarda Saxena | Shivay Baheti | Kiara Bhashaniya | Yashasvi Singh Pawar | Paridhi Johri | Ruchi Apte

LEARNING BEYOND TEXTBOOKS

From the Head of Social Science: Mr. Rahul Kumar



As the Head of the Department of Social Science, I believe that Social Science is not just a subject; it is a way to understand life and society. It equips our students with the knowledge, values, and skills they need to become informed, responsible, and empathetic citizens. Through Social Science, they explore the past, analyze the present, and prepare for the future.

At G.D. Goenka Public School, we believe that learning Social Science should be hands-on, engaging, and connected to real life. That's why we go beyond textbooks and embrace innovative teaching methods. For example, we teach Civics and Democracy through role plays like mock elections, allowing students to experience democracy firsthand and understand the importance of voting, leadership, and active participation.

History comes alive through field visits and heritage walks, helping students connect events to real places and appreciate their significance. Geography is taught through educational trips, map activities, and observation-based tasks, enabling students to relate physical and human geography to their surroundings. Economics and Political Science come alive through discussions, case studies, and real-life examples, fostering critical thinking and sound decision-making. These experiences help students develop analytical skills, social awareness, respect for diversity, and a strong sense of responsibility towards society and the nation. Social Science plays a vital role in shaping well-rounded individuals who understand their rights and duties.

With ongoing innovation, dedication, and teamwork, we strive to make Social Science meaningful and impactful for every student. We are committed to nurturing socially responsible global citizens through experiential learning at G.D. Goenka Public School.



CREATIVE STROKES OF OUR PRIMARY STARS



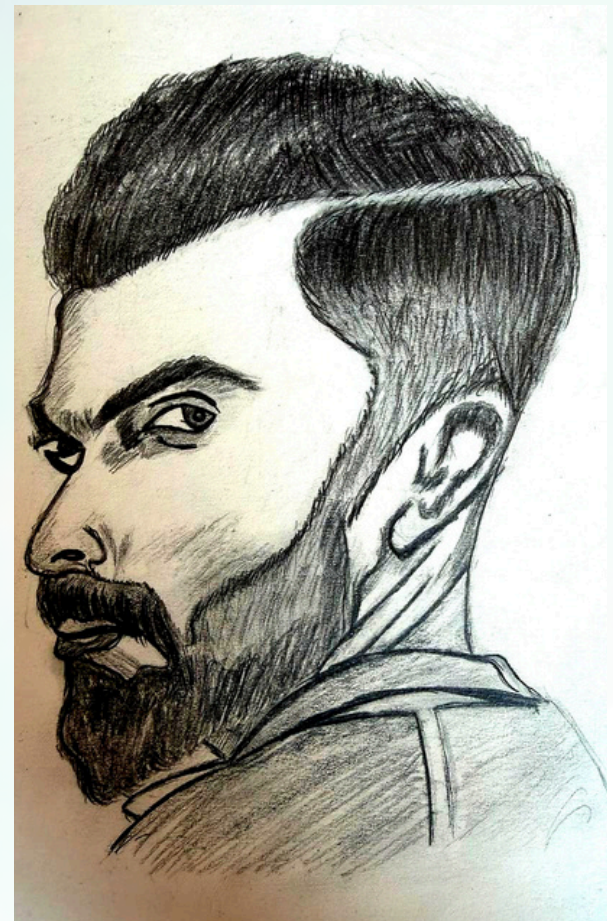
Arya Bhardwaj IV



Ayaan Parbatani III



Yashasvi singh Panwar V



Kunal Joshi V

EMPOWERING EDUCATORS

At GD Goenka Public School, we believe that strong teachers build strong futures. Through regular in-house and outstation training programmes, we continuously enhance our educators' skills, ensuring they are well-equipped to inspire and guide every learner towards excellence.

Nurturing Minds: Mental Well-being Session for Teachers

A session on "Mental Well-being" was conducted by the School Counselor, Ms Punam Valecha for the teaching staff on 3rd January 2026. The objective of the session was to help them understand the nature of stress, its effects on the mind and body, and discuss practical strategies for coping effectively.

Some Engaging activities and reflection exercises were included. The session concluded with key takeaways on self-care practices, prioritizing Peace over Happiness, focusing more on stress free life and adopting simple relaxation routines during the workday. Teachers expressed appreciation for practical strategies and requested similar well-being sessions in the future.



Residential Teacher Training Programme

Four educators from GD Goenka Public School, Indore—Ms. Bhavna Tiwari, Ms. Shweta Vishwakarma, Ms. Ajata Shukla, and Mr. Mohit Garg—participated in the Residential Teacher Training Programme held from 6th to 8th January 2026 at GDG University Campus, Gurugram. The programme was organised by Oxford University Press in collaboration with the GD Goenka Group. The three-day face-to-face training focused on strengthening pedagogical practices in alignment with NEP 2020, with special emphasis on competency-based education, experiential learning, active teaching strategies, life and literacy skills, interdisciplinary approaches, and assessment reforms.



GDGPS Mentors at Teach Camp Workshop

Mentors of GD Goenka Public School participated in the three-day Teach Camp—a hands-on experiential learning programme on "Build and Assess Thinking & Learning Skills." The workshop was inaugurated by Dr. Gurmeet Bindra, Principal, Daly College, and led by master trainers Balaji Ramanujam, Pooja Gupta, Amrita Burman, and Faiz Khan.

The sessions emphasized competency-based education, the power of Social Emotional Learning (SEL), and designing learning experiences that foster critical thinking, creativity, empathy, and collaboration.

The workshop offered valuable insights and practical strategies to strengthen classroom practices and promote experiential, skill-based learning.





GD Goenka Public School, Indore (Garden City, Madhya Pradesh) has been honoured with the prestigious India's Top CBSE Schools – City Wise Award by Education Today. The school has secured the No. 1 rank in Indore and received the India School Merit Awards (ISMA) Certificate and Trophy on 05 December 2025. This recognition celebrates GD Goenka's unwavering commitment to academic excellence, holistic development, and quality education.

ALL THE BEST, PARENTS: FOCUS, PREPARE WELL AND SCORE HIGH

From the Counsellor's Desk – Ms Punam Valecha

Exams are a testing time not just for students, but for parents too. Your child is studying and preparing, but it's natural for them to get distracted — after all, they are still children. Their curiosity, restlessness, and occasional loss of focus are part of their growth process. What matters most is how we guide them back — gently, positively, and patiently.

When your child drifts away from study, redirect rather than reprimand. Positive behaviour creates positive emotion, in both the CHILD and the PARENT. When we respond with patience, children mirror that calmness; when we react harshly, they mirror that too. We know what we want, focus, peace, and success. After all, we are Adults.

Alongside emotional support, basic physical needs play a crucial role. Adequate sleep, nutritious food, regular physical movement, and a favourable study atmosphere are like the “management team” behind success, often unseen, but impossible to ignore. A tired mind cannot focus; a hungry brain cannot recall; an anxious environment cannot nurture learning.

So, as exams continue, let's remind ourselves, patience is the parent's superpower. Create a calm corner, maintain routines, smile often, and believe in your child's potential. When children feel safe and supported, focus follows naturally, and learning becomes joyful again. So, let's put these thoughts into action and pass the test of parenting with flying colours!

