

# AKSHAWRITES

GYANSPIRE

"GYANSPIRE IS WHERE KNOWLEDGE MEETS INSPIRATION — EMPOWERING YOUNG MINDS TO LEARN, LEAD, AND LIGHT THE WAY FOR OTHERS."

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## INTRODUCTION

Welcome to this edition of our school's newsletter, inspired by the remarkable Gyanspire. At the core of our school's vision lies an unwavering commitment to uniting knowledge with inspiration —nurturing young minds to grow stronger, more driven, and truly empowered to shape their future. Even in moments of uncertainty, when hope appears dim, there is always a light that prevails—and within our school, that light is Gyanspire.. It is far more than a program or an initiative; it is a spirit, a spark, and a guiding beacon that continues to uplift, enlighten, and inspire every learner in our community. May knowledge continue to inspire us and illuminate the path to success.

## TEAM SPOTLIGHT

- Ms. Deepti Rajput
- Ms. Harpreet Bains
- Aksh Agarwal
- Kurian Vattathara
- Anvi Saini
- Om Godhbole
- Tanishi Baghel
- Ritvik Suneja

# PRINCIPAL'S NOTE

-By Dr. Mrudula Mahajan



## BELIEVE IN YOURSELF THE POWER OF THE THREE C'S

Dear Students,  
Greetings!!!

Each one of you carries a spark of brilliance within. To let it shine, you must first believe in yourself. Confidence in your abilities is the foundation of every success story. The National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 emphasises developing confident, creative, and critical thinkers – qualities that grow when you nurture the Three C's: Curiosity, Consistency, and Confidence.

**Curiosity – The Key to Discovery**

Curiosity makes learning exciting. Research shows that students who explore beyond textbooks perform 30% better in problem-solving tasks. CBSE encourages experiential learning and art-integrated projects to help you connect knowledge to real life. Keep asking “why” and “how” – that’s how learning truly happens.

**Consistency – The Secret to Success**

Success is not about doing big things once; it’s about doing small things every day. Studies show that consistent learners retain 60% more information. NEP 2020 promotes regular skill-building and competency-based learning. So, build daily habits— they are your bridge to success.

**Confidence – The Courage to Shine**

Confidence means trusting yourself, even when things don’t go perfectly. CBSE’s Holistic Progress Card now values attitude, participation, and communication as much as academics. Believe in yourself, speak with courage, and keep growing.

So, each day, remind yourself:

**I AM CURIOUS TO LEARN.  
I AM CONSISTENT IN MY EFFORTS.  
I AM CONFIDENT IN MYSELF.  
AND ABOVE ALL — I BELIEVE IN ME!**



# CO-ORDINATOR'S NOTE

-By Shalini Narula

Dear Students, Walking through our school each day, I am inspired by the unstoppable energy, curiosity, and leadership I witness from all of you. I want to shine a spotlight on the fantastic work happening all around us—especially thanks to your dedication and school spirit. A huge round of applause to our Discipline Committee for setting such high standards—your commitment shapes a positive and respectful school environment where everyone feels safe and valued.

Our campus is abuzz with incredible student-led innovations! The Solar Project team is demonstrating how science can address real-world problems and make our future brighter. The Hydroponics group is turning classrooms into living labs, growing fresh produce and deepening our understanding of sustainable agriculture. In the world of the arts, our Theatre in Education troupe has been bringing stories to life, using drama to teach meaningful lessons and spark thought-provoking discussions across grade levels.

And that's not all—ATL innovators, you're making us proud with your out-of-the-box solutions and inventions! From robots to creative apps, your projects prove that learning can be hands-on and fun. Let's also salute everyone in NCC, Scouts, and Guides, whose dedication to teamwork, service, and leadership sets an example for us all. These programs are helping shape leaders for tomorrow.

A special mention goes to all the students actively participating in our Yoga and Sports activities—each of you showcases not just physical skill, but the importance of balance, discipline, and perseverance. Whether on the field or the mat, your achievements remind us that a healthy body and mind create the foundation for success in every area of life.

What makes our school stand out is the way our teachers guide you through innovative teaching methods and experiential learning. Whether it's building something from scratch, experimenting in the lab, performing on stage, or excelling in sports and yoga, you are learning by doing—and that's the best adventure of all.

Keep dreaming, keep pushing boundaries, and remember—every idea and effort you bring to school helps make our community stronger and more exciting. Let's keep exploring, building, creating, moving, and leading together!

With pride,  
Ms. Shalini Narula  
Middle School Coordinator

# STEPPING INTO MIDDLE SCHOOL



## Coping with Emotions

Akshara International School held a workshop by Ms. Shalini Narula, helping grades 6–8 manage exam stress through resilience and mindfulness.

## Time Management Workshop

A time management workshop was conducted by our school coordinator, Shalini Ma'am, to help students effectively plan and prioritise their tasks. The session emphasised the importance of discipline for success.



## Learning through Story

Students from grade 7<sup>th</sup> attended a competition of the literary club on storytelling and poetry. The students heard various poems and stories based on mythologies of the Indian and several other cultures. It was truly an enriching experience.

## Animation Workshop

Akshara International School recently hosted an Animation Workshop conducted by Mr Vishnu Salunkhe, where students gained hands on experience and the processes that go into creating some of your favourite animated shows and films.



## Financial Literacy Workshop

A Financial literacy workshop was conducted where students understood about monthly budgeting, needs and wants and financial planning. The students later showcased their understanding with the help of roleplay and presentation.



## Social Detox Workshop

A workshop on Social Detox and Better Usage of Mobile Phones was conducted in our school to create awareness among students about the harmful effects of overusing social media and mobile devices.



## Data Analysis Workshop

On 20th September, Grade 7 students at Akshara International School explored Data Science through hands-on activities, creating dummy datasets, analyzing exam results, visualizing progress, and drawing insights, empowering them to think critically and make data-driven learning decisions.



# TedEd



As part of a lively TED-Ed Talk Show at our school, Grade 8 students explored the impact of technological devices on daily life and mental health. With a mix of humor and insight, the session highlighted both positives and negatives of technology while also improving students' listening, summarizing, and analytical skills.



## Innovative Teaching Pedagogies

Class 8 students captivated everyone with a powerful street play on *Land Conservation*, emphasizing the urgent need to protect our land resources. With expressive acting, catchy slogans, and strong messages, the students highlighted problems like soil erosion, deforestation, and land pollution. Their performance urged the audience to take small yet meaningful steps—planting trees, avoiding wastage, and using land wisely. The play left a lasting impact, proving that young voices can spark big changes for a greener, sustainable future.

## Beyond School Activities

Akshara International School is proud to announce the successful inauguration of its Beyond School Activity Program, a landmark initiative that reflects our steadfast commitment to nurturing well-rounded individuals. The program offers a wide spectrum of sporting opportunities, including Football, Basketball, Cricket, Skating, and Karate, providing students with avenues to develop discipline, teamwork, and resilience beyond the classroom. The Beyond School Activity Program stands as a testament to Akshara's vision of holistic education—enriching young minds with experiences that extend far beyond academics and empowering them to discover and excel in diverse fields. We are confident that this initiative will serve as a cornerstone in shaping the character, talents, and future success of our students.

## Mega Tinkering Day

Students from Grades 6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> actively participated in the Mega Tinkering Day event, where schools from across India came together to showcase creativity and innovation. As part of the collaborative challenge, students designed and built DIY vacuum cleaners under the ATL (Atal Tinkering Lab) initiative.



# SPORTS SECTION



## Softball

Under 17 Boys Secured Second Place -Swaraj taras, Vedant Kanpile and Akshat Ganesh selected for Zonals.

## Base Ball

ZP Under-17 Girls Softball Competition placed 2<sup>nd</sup> position. Arya Nakhate, Prisheeka Shetty, and Ananya Alase – have been selected to represent at the Softball Zonal Level Competition Under 14 Boys We Have Secured Second Place . Under 17 Boys We Have Secured Third Place Baseball (Under 17, Boys) 3rd place – Akshat Ganesh and Param Shah selected for Zonals



## Football

Under-17, Boys: 3<sup>rd</sup> Place in Subroto tournament match



## Chess

Under-19, Girls 2<sup>nd</sup> place in ZP — Sanvi Salunke selected for Zonals



## Basketball

Under 17 Boys Secured Third Place  
Under 17 girls Secured second Place  
Under-19 Boys our school team secured third place against the match with City Pride School.



## Table Tennis

Under-17, Boys: 3<sup>rd</sup> place in ZP. Arsh Morey and Amey Kaprtiwar selected for Zonals Under-19, Boys: 2<sup>nd</sup> place in ZP - Nikhil Patwardhan selected for Zonals Under-19, Girls: 3<sup>rd</sup> place in ZP

## Swimming

Under 17 Vivaan Majumdar Secured Third Place in 50m Butterfly. Under 17 Riddhi Kale We Secured First Place in 50m Swimming and Second place in 200m





# ACHIEVEMENTS



On 27th July, our students gave a wonderful performance on All India Radio Pune in the program "Gammat Jammata" under the guidance of our own Avinash Patil Sir.



Akshara International School celebrates a 100% pass rate in Gandharva Mahavidyalaya exams. Pradyot Deshmukh topped the Sangeet Visharad exam, having completed his entire Tabla training at Akshara under Guru Avinash Patil.

Arman Guha from class 7A received rs.10,000 and rs.50,000 for Achieving a international bronze in NSO, and a international gold in ICSO.



Divam Agarwal, a class 6B student at Akshara International School, won a Silver Medal in the Dr. Homi Bhabha Balvaidnyanik Competition 2024-2025 and was honoured as "Balvaidnyanik" for his outstanding performance in science.

We are thrilled to announce that Hridansh Jumle, a talented student of Akshara International School, has achieved a remarkable feat at the Bangkok Gymnastics - Moose Games Invitational Competition (2025) held in Bangkok, Thailand.



Avnish is back from Berkeley University after a remarkable journey, earning three awards and scoring 100% in Robotics and 93% in Data Science. Wishing him continued success ahead!

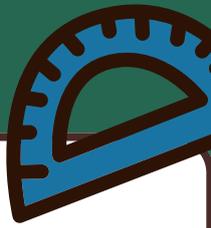
Atreyi Kaul, a Grade 9 student, has achieved a remarkable feat by bagging the All India Rank 3 in Best Cadet, Junior Wing AIR. This prestigious honor is a testament to her exceptional skills.



Our school's team KAVACH won 1st Runner-Up at the STFE National Grand Finale, competing against 260+ school teams. Their innovative idea, confident pitch, and teamwork earned high praise, bringing immense pride to our school.



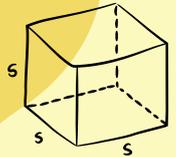
# MATH ADVENTURES AT AKSHARA



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## KHAN ACADEMY

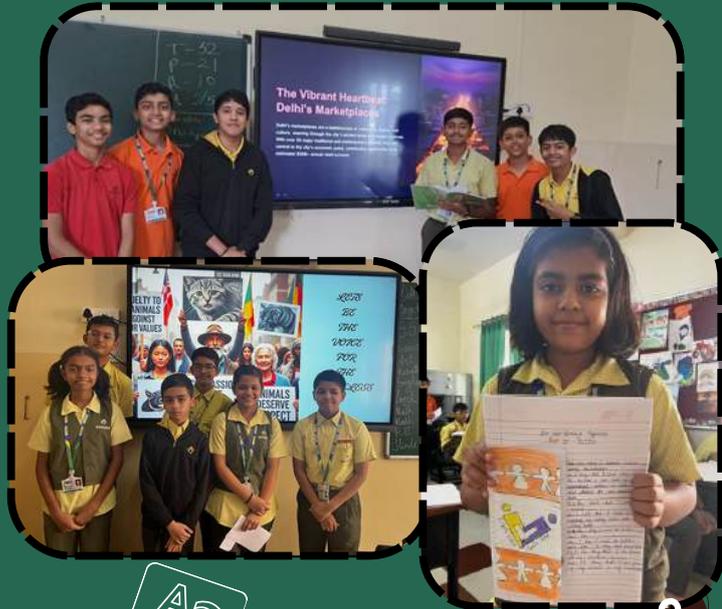
At Akshara International School, Khan Academy serves as an integral digital tool to enrich students' conceptual understanding. Each learner is provided with a personalized ID, ensuring seamless access across devices and encouraging self-directed revision. Through its interactive exercises, expert-led instructional videos, and adaptive learning pathways, the platform empowers students to strengthen their grasp of concepts at an individualized pace, both within the classroom and beyond.

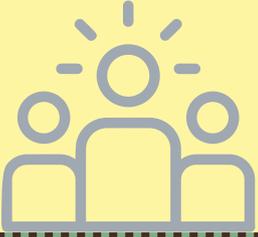


$$V = s^3$$

## LEP- Language Enhancement Programme

The Language Enhancement Programme (LEP) at Akshara International School is designed to transcend conventional classroom learning by fostering creativity, curiosity, and confidence. Guided by our English faculty, students engage in a range of stimulating activities, dynamic lessons, and imaginative tasks that make learning both enriching and enjoyable. The programme not only strengthens linguistic proficiency but also cultivates self-expression, nurtures critical thinking, and inspires learners to discover new perspectives while uncovering their unique talents.





# FUTURE LEADERS



## NCC

Akshara International School has taken up the NCC program for students of Classes 8 and 9.

This initiative aims to instill discipline, leadership, and patriotism among young cadets.

Through regular training and activities, students are gaining valuable life skills and a strong sense of national pride and responsibility.



## SCOUT AND GUIDE

Akshara International School had introduced the Scouts and Guides program for Classes 6, 7, and 8 in

2024. This initiative fosters

teamwork, discipline, and

community service. Through engaging activities and training,

students develop leadership qualities, responsibility, and a

spirit of helping others, shaping

them into confident and

responsible future citizens.



## ATL - ATAL TINKERING LAB

Our schools mission is to create a culture of innovation and entrepreneurship in our school by fostering a problem-solving mindset in schools and building a robust entrepreneurial ecosystem in universities, research institutions, and industries. We also learn to be creative and to keep up with tech in our Atal Tinkering Lab.





# OUR SCHOOLS EXTRA EFFORTS

## FROM BOOKS TO BLADES GDIOT

The GDIOT drone workshop immersed students in the exciting world of drones through hands on building experiences and flying activities. Blending fun with STEM education, it boosts creativity, critical thinking and real world tech skills. Designed to go beyond books, it transforms students from passive learners into future ready innovators and creators.



## GGIM- MOUNTAINEERING CLUB



Our school's Mountaineering Club organizes monthly treks across Maharashtra's scenic forts and hills. We learn trekking basics, safety, and about nature. Exploring forts like Lohagad and Rohida builds fitness, confidence, and resilience. Each trek shapes us into responsible individuals, creating lasting memories and strengthening both body and mind.



## FIELD TRIPS

8th-grade students visited D.Y. Patil Institute for an enriching educational trip. They explored advanced labs, discovered new technologies, and were especially fascinated by the robotics and engineering setups. The visit sparked curiosity and connected classroom learning with real-world science.

Students of grade 7<sup>th</sup> visited Symbiosis Institute of Technology, Pune, for an educational field trip. They explored advanced labs, interacted with professors, and gained insights into engineering and innovation. It was a very interesting and educational trip where they saw many robots and flew drones as well.



# CCA(CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES)

Akshara International School's CCA activities nurture creativity, teamwork, leadership, and holistic growth through diverse clubs, competitions, and hands-on experiences. Recent highlights include the Interhouse Rhythmic Yoga Competition, Debate on "Technology Makes Us Less Creative", and a vibrant Patriotic Singing Contest. Students also showcased their talents in Rangoli, Poster and Card Making, Ganesh Making, Drawing, Judo Maths, and Logic Puzzles, fostering unity, healthy competition, and school spirit.



## WHEN YOGA MEETS HEALTH THE AKSHARA WAY

Students at Akshara participated in a vibrant Yoga Shivar, where traditional yoga was beautifully infused with rhythmic movements and calming music. This unique experience enhanced their flexibility, focus, and mindfulness, making wellness both engaging and enjoyable. Through synchronized postures and serene sounds, students connected with their inner selves—reflecting Akshara's dedication to holistic education, balanced development, and joyful learning



Kimaya Gattani 6A



# DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE

The Discipline Committee plays a key role in creating a respectful and organized school environment. It promotes values like honesty, punctuality, cleanliness, and kindness, guiding students to make responsible choices both inside and outside the classroom.

To encourage positive behavior, the school has introduced monthly awards such as Best Student (one boy and one girl from each grade), Best Class, Best Assembly, and Swacch class.



## COMPETITIVE EXAMS

At Akshara International School, teachers and staff put in continuous effort to prepare students for various competitive exams (Homi Bhabha, Olympiads, Scholarship and Anthe). They conduct extra coaching sessions, provide valuable study resources, and offer personalized guidance to help students strengthen their understanding. Through their dedication, the teachers ensure that every student is well-equipped to face competitive challenges successfully.



## TEACHER'S TRAINING



Akshara International School hosted enriching teacher trainings, including CBSE's Value Education and Active Learning program, a CPR and Emergency Response workshop by Dr. Nayantara Das, and a Soft Skills workshop by Prof. Lily Kelting. These sessions equipped educators with ethics, empathy, interactive strategies, life-saving skills, communication, teamwork, and confidence, promoting holistic development. "Knowledge makes you capable, but soft skills make you valuable."

# SCHOLAR'S SHOWCASE



The Art Integrated Project at Akshara International School offered Grade 6 students a joyful and meaningful learning experience. By blending geography, science, maths, and art, students creatively explored the geographical features of Maharashtra and Sikkim through 3D models and activities. They learned about landforms, mountain angles, and rock types while enriching their skills and creativity. This hands-on approach made learning fun, visual, exciting, and memorable with a creative twist.

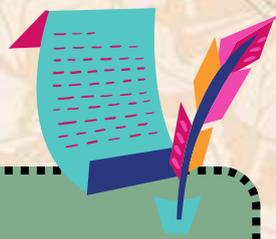


## NATIONAL SPORTS DAY CELEBRATION

On August 29, Our school celebrated National Sports Day with great enthusiasm. Exciting football and basketball matches were played between teams from our own school, where players showcased teamwork, energy, and true sportsmanship. The entire middle school (Grades 6–8) watched and cheered for their peers, creating a lively atmosphere. It was a memorable day filled with joy, unity, and the spirit of sports.



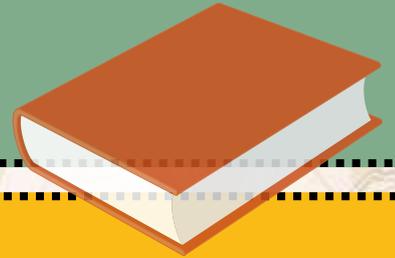
# BUDDING AUTHORS



## GYANSPIRE – IGNITING MINDS

Gyanspire is where knowledge meets inspiration to create real change. It's not just about learning facts — it's about using that learning to spark action. Like students who turned a lesson on waste into a neighborhood recycling drive, or innovators who turn simple ideas into a big impact. When we mix curiosity with creativity, we light the path to a better future. “Knowledge is power, but inspiration gives it purpose.” That's the spirit of Gyanspire — Learn, Inspire, Transform

— Mihir Gujar, Class VI-B



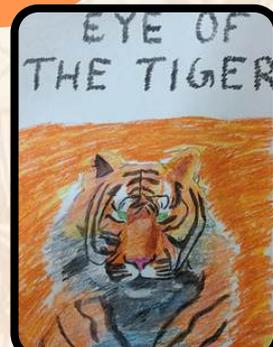
## MADHURI-THE MAJESTIC LIFE

Madhuri was an elephant who lived in a Jain monastery in Kolhapur for more than 30 years. She was loved and respected by the people there, but she had serious health problems. Animal welfare groups, with help from the court, decided she needed better care. Moving her was not meant to hurt anyone but to give her a healthier and happier life. She was taken to a place called “Vantara,” where she got good food, medical help, and plenty of space to roam. There, she made new friends, found a new family, and became happy again. Now Madhuri is safe, healthy, and enjoying her new life.

## NATURE : THE BEST DESTINATION

We often go to the beaches, forests and may be sunrise and nature will teach you about the actual physical environment that sustains all life on this planet. Nature will teach you different things depending on your goals.

It can teach you how to think more clearly & scientifically, or enhance your sense of spiritual connection, or nature from every view.



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