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Ashoka Group of Schools

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Our Vision:

Igniting curious minds to become creative thinkers.

Our Mission:

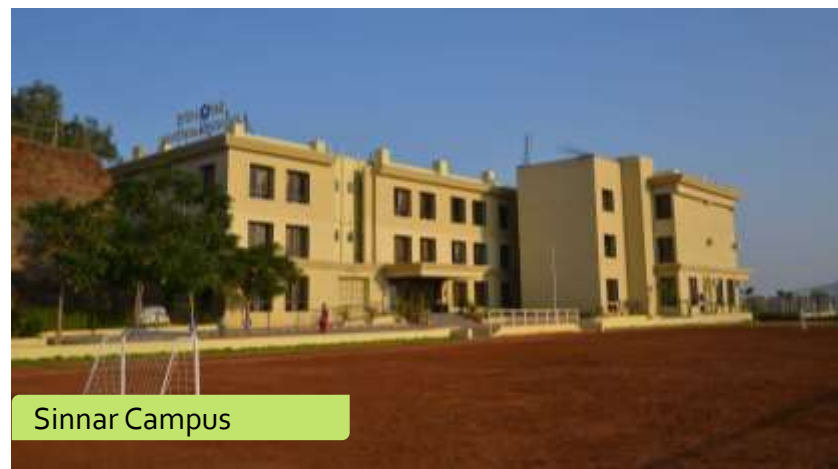
We are committed and determined to redefine the cause of excellence in education and implement it through an **accelerated need-based practical oriented process with holistic approach** to empower learners for self exploration to become a responsible global citizen with deep rooted ethos of Indian culture and tradition.



Arjun Nagar Campus



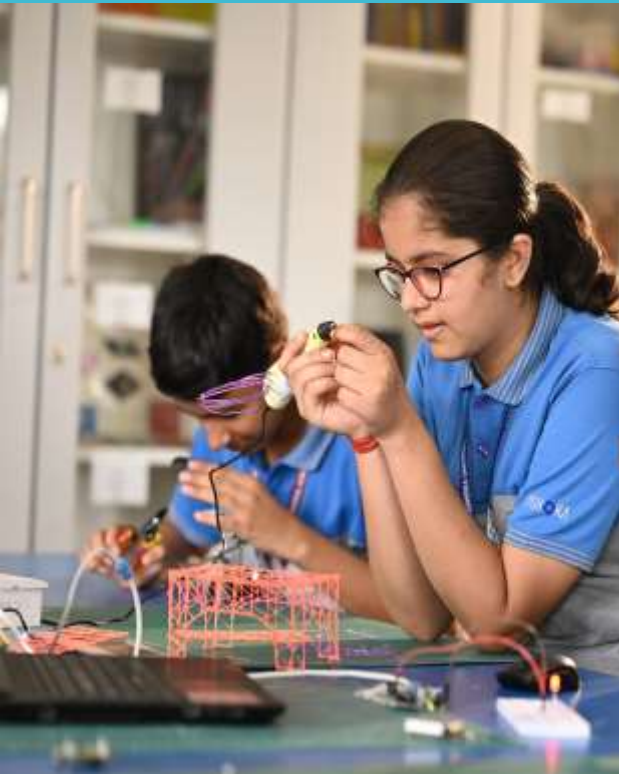
Ashoka Marg Campus



Sinnar Campus

Developing a Makers Culture with Makerspace

- Ashoka Group of Schools has partnered with **Makers Asylum** – where children's imagination knows no bounds!
- Makerspace is a dynamic haven for young minds, offering a **one-of-a-kind blend of STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics)** education, collaborative projects, and skill-building.
- We believe in **learning by doing**, and we've created an environment that sparks curiosity and fuels innovation.



Creating a Community of Readers

- ✓ At Ashoka, we understand the bountiful benefits of being well-read. Reading **broadens perspectives, makes us better thinkers and hones communication skills**
- ✓ A **well-equipped library** stocked with **over 23000 books** by renowned authors to instigate, foster and retain a reading habit also forms an integral part of the infrastructure.
- ✓ From fact to fiction, literature to appreciation, the library caters to **different genres of authors** and allows a student the **liberty to read books** of either a specific genre or diverse genres, depending upon personal interest.
- ✓ **Students give book reviews or critical analysis of a book** on a regular basis under the **'Book Review' regime every week** to ensure comprehension and reinforce the habit of reading.
- ✓ **Every class has a 'Reading Corner'** which is set up by students and also maintained by them. This is an initiative to give access of books to students at any time. It is an **effective buffer in between learning sessions**.
- ✓ We have also formed a **'Student Library Committee'** that inspires and keeps a check on each class 'Reading Corner' and conducts activities to assist their peers to **become habitual and voracious readers**.

Primary Section Student Library Committee



School Library



Reading Corners in every Classroom



Exploring beyond
the Globe with
**Ashoka
Astronomical
Society**

What is Ashoka Astronomical Society?

- ✓ Ashoka Astronomical Society is an endeavour **to ignite a passion for space science and astronomy** through a **year-long course** comprising of a range of **DIY activities, interactive sessions and sky gazing activities.**
- ✓ It enables leading age observation by **offering astronomy based educational programs, modern observatory, and access to state-of-the-art instruments and technology** to the students.
- ✓ The inclusion of educational concepts based on astronomy and space sciences with reference to the school curriculum through **activities, sessions, tutorials and modules** has been made possible under Ashoka Astronomical Society.

Glimpses of Sky Gazing, Project based learning activities conducted by Ashoka Astronomical Society



Some Highlights of Ashoka Astronomical Society:

1. Ashoka Students bags 3rd prize in a Global Astronomy Competition
 - In 2022-23, our students recently participated and won the 3rd prize across the world in an international Moon settlement competition organized by the European Space Agency & Airbus Foundation.
 - Our students also attended a month-long online space science and technology workshop by ISRO and presented their learning outcomes on International Moon Day celebration to the entire school.

Budding scientist wins astronomy competition

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Shaeel Hasepatil, class 10 student of Ashoka Universal School, Ashoka Marg, recently won laurels for the nation by winning the third prize in European Space Agency's (ESA) Moon Camp Challenge 2021-22. As many as 5649 students from 53 countries worldwide participated in the competition.

Shaeel represented India in the Explorer Category of the challenge and won the third position for his project 'Kalpana'.

"Ashoka's purpose in giving advanced platforms to



Shaeel Hasepatil being felicitated by dignitaries in presence of school office bearers.

young minds is so that the upcoming generations in India can skyrocket and do the unimaginable. Shaeel has done just that and we are extremely proud of him and his mentors at Ashoka

Astronomical Observatory for guiding him," said Chairman of Ashoka Group of Schools, Ashok Kataria.

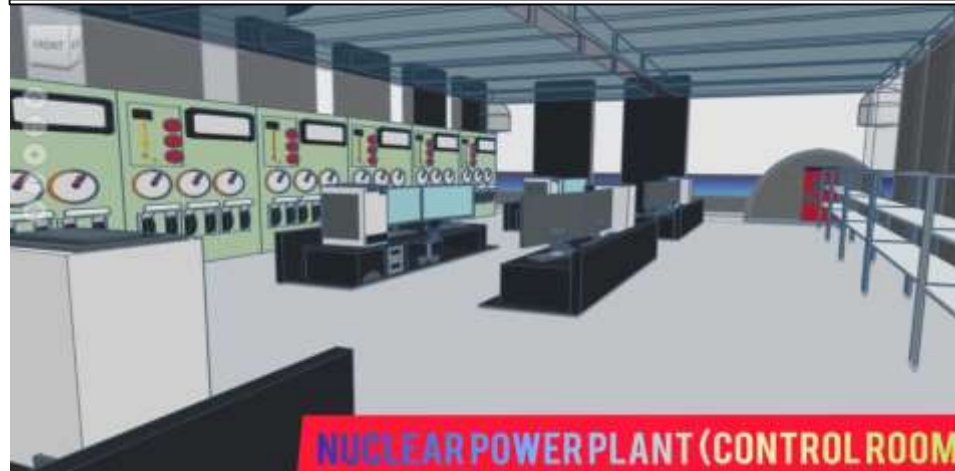
India's representation in this competition was through 44 teams in the

non-ESA member category. Shaeel made these models using the Tinker Cad software. He has been a member of Ashoka Astronomical Observatory for the past three years. He credited his

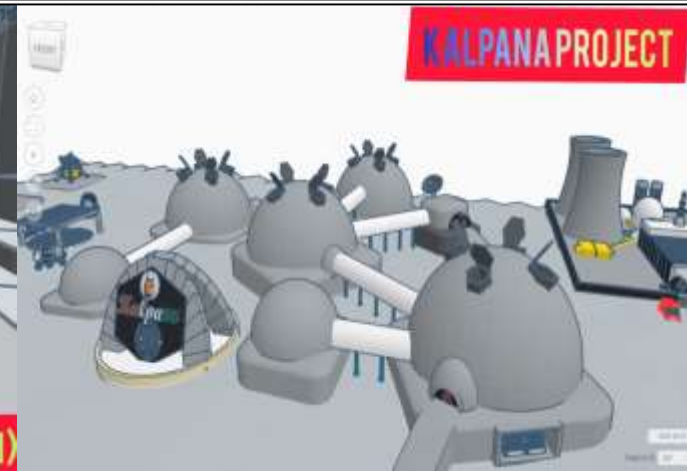
win to his mentors, Dilip Thakur and Archana Yeole, at the observatory.

Eminent personalities from the fields of astronomy and space science, such as Apurva Jakhadi (NASA Space Educator), Dr Girish Pimpale (renowned astronomer), and Jayant Joshi (retired scientist engineer, ISRO) are advisory members of Ashoka Astronomical Observatory.

Jakhadi and Dr Pimpale were felicitated on this occasion by secretary of Ashoka Education Foundation, Shrikant Shukla and managing trustee, Astha Kataria respectively.



NUCLEAR POWER PLANT (CONTROL ROOM)



KALPANA PROJECT

Some Highlights of Ashoka Astronomical Society:

2. World Space Week Celebrations

- A weeklong interschool Astronomy festival on the theme of Space and Sustainability was held in association with ISRO.
- Around 462 students across the length and breadth of Maharashtra registered for the competitions under this festival such as **Poster Making competition, Essay Writing Competition, Story Writing Competition, Poem Writing Competition, Animation Making Competition, and Slogan Writing Competition, Ashoka Astronomy Quiz and the Junior Astronomer Trailblazer Contest (JATT).**

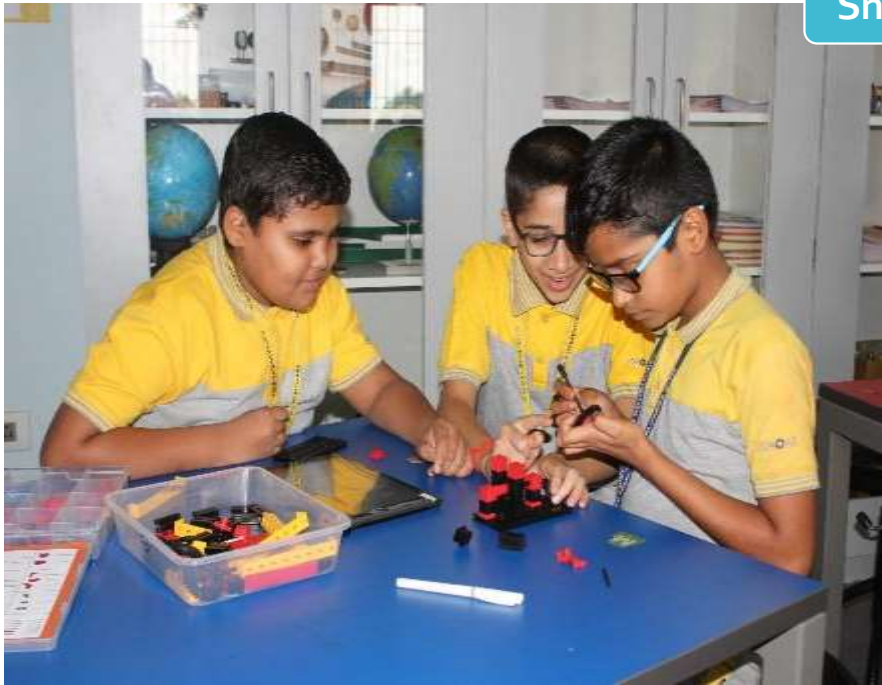
Winners of World Space Week Competitions 2022-23 along with organising team



Fostering Creativity & Innovation through **STEM Lab**

- Why simply show and explain the different scientific gadgets and technologies, when you can encourage students to make it themselves.
- The world is evolving each day, and thus it is imperative to prepare our students to match pace with the world. At Ashoka, we follow **application based learning pedagogies**. Driven by this objective, our students are routinely given **projects to showcase actual application of physics and technology**.
- **Making a fully functional drone** was one of the many fascinating student achievements here.
- The STEM Lab is a unique feature of our school where students can assemble various parts of an equipment using tools to **create a robot, a vehicle or any such device of their choice**.
- The Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) Lab enables a student to **combine their scientific, technological and mathematical knowledge to create something new**.

Snapshots of DIY activities conducted in STEM lab



Practically working
towards
Sustainability
solutions through
**Biotechnology
Laboratory**

- ✓ One of the biggest innovations of the 21st century is the **intersection of Biology and Biotechnology**, which indeed is the beginning of a new era.
- ✓ Ashoka Junior College is the only college in Nashik to provide biotechnology as a subject at High School level. We boast of an **equipped Biotechnology lab for practical and experiential learning approach**.

Highlight of our Biotechnological Lab:

- ✓ Our students as a part of their curriculum, have **created a system to produce organic manure** using the daily leftover food during meal hours.
- ✓ This manure is daily used to nourish crops, plants, trees at Shweta Agro Farms in Nashik.
- ✓ Such **experiential initiatives are encouraged to push students to innovate and make path-breaking discoveries** towards a sustainable planet

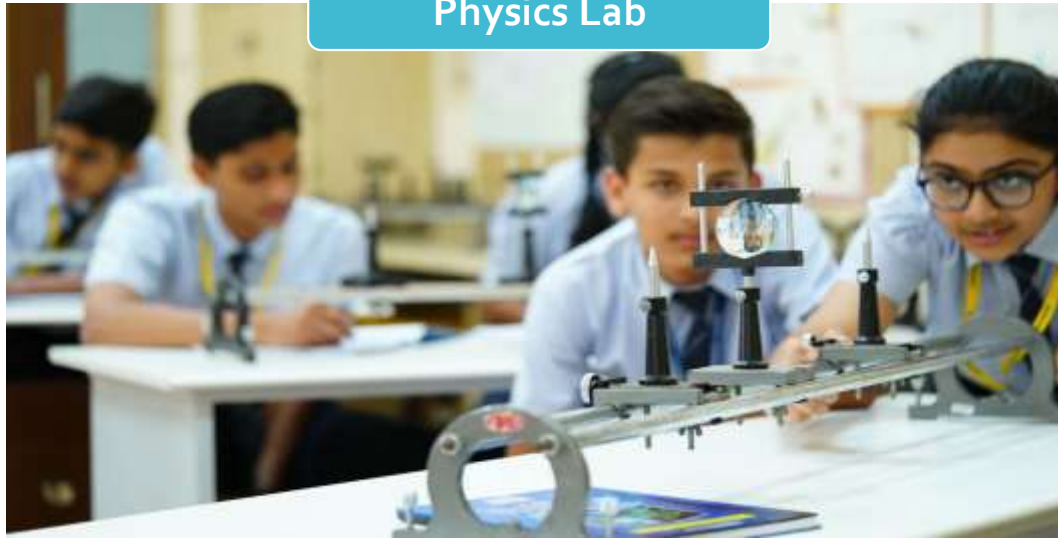
Glimpses of students doing their routine experiments and practical learning at the Biotechnology lab



Enabling Experiential Education at **Science & Math laboratories**

- Ashoka has **Physics, Chemistry and Biology laboratories with updated apparatus, instruments and equipment.**
- These labs have **individual learning and experimenting stations** for each student and are large enough to accommodate the entire class at a time comfortably.
- In science labs **students are encouraged to perform experiments and report observations themselves** under the mentorship of lab coordinators and their educators
- These **science labs nurture scientific temperament and quench curiosity.** Students are given the opportunity to work in the lab as much as possible to **strengthen and understand scientific concepts better.**
- We have a **Maths Lab where students learn to solve numerical problems through innovative means.** Certain Maths concepts are taught to student through **visual teaching aids** so that **students do not rote learn and understand the science behind math formulae.**
- The Science and Math Laboratories have **interesting and effective teaching and learning aids** that help students to **understand and apply their academic concepts easily.**

Physics Lab



Chemistry Lab



Biology Lab



Elevating the Learning Experience with **3D Lab**

Teaching and learning get an extra edge and relevance when **visualized through 3D graphics and modern simulation techniques.**

- ✓ Our experienced and skilled teachers efficiently use this facility to engage as well as captivate curious minds.
- ✓ The layer-wise seating arrangement and theater setup provide the audience with a birds-eye view and **make the whole experience indelible.**
- ✓ In addition to this, the module implemented in the process is finely mapped with the Curriculum to further accelerate the teaching-learning methodology

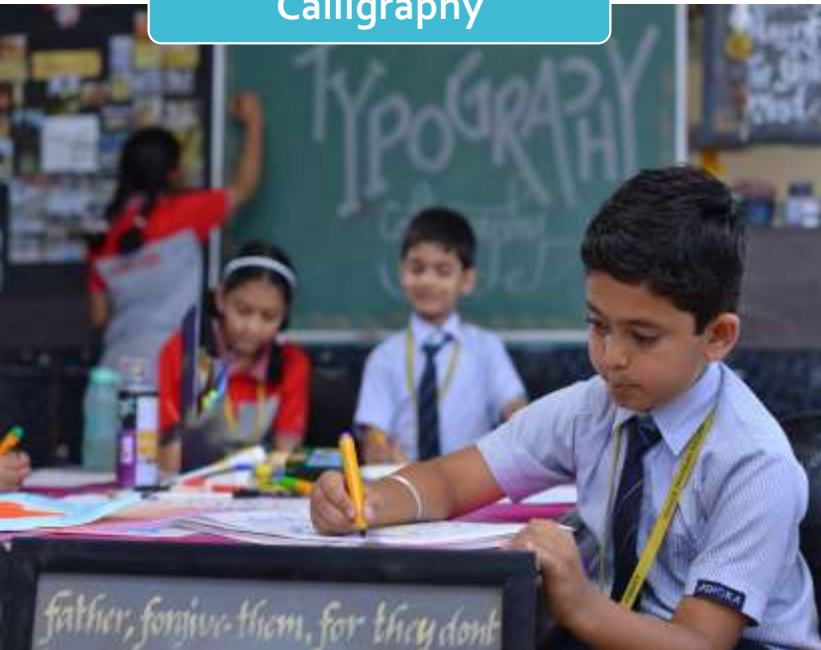
Glimpses of students engaged in academic session at the 3D Lab



Fostering the Spirit
of Creativity
through the
medium of
**Visual Fine Art
Streams**

- ✓ Ashoka holds a reputation for offering students a **plethora of platforms to pursue their passion visual fine art** streams like
 - ✓ Drawing & Painting
 - ✓ Wood Art
 - ✓ Sculpture
 - ✓ Pottery
 - ✓ Sand Art
 - ✓ Calligraphy
 - ✓ Hobby Ideas
- ✓ Each of these streams are offered to students in **individual dedicated classrooms**. There are **expert coaches** for each of these streams mentoring and honing the creative talents of our young artists.
- ✓ 10 of the recent major achievements in the stream of Fine Arts are **4 National achievements, 4 State level achievements, and 2 District Level achievements**.

Calligraphy



Drawing & Painting



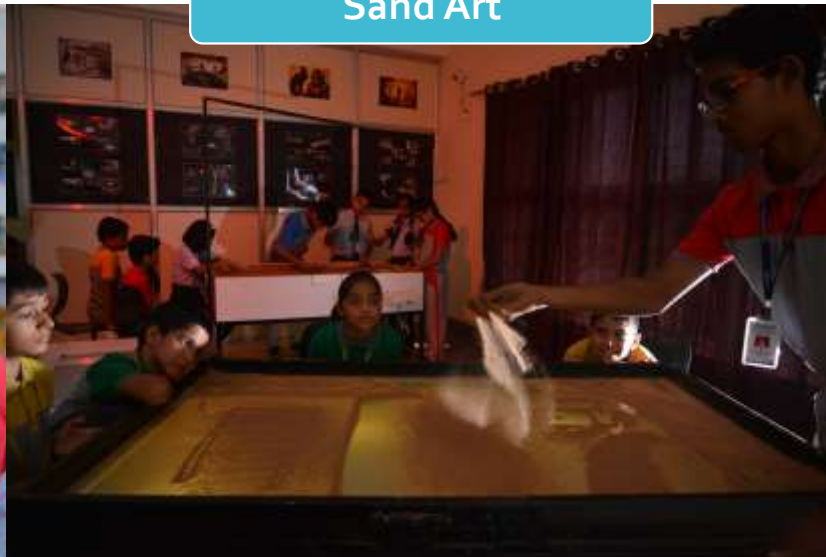
Wood Art



Pottery



Sand Art



Sculpture



Encouraging the innovation of Rhythm through **Music Classrooms**

- ✓ The school boasts of not one but **several music classrooms**, with each room being specially dedicated to an instrument, be it **Drums, Guitars, Keyboards, Tabla, Sitar, Harmonium** or any other Indian classical instruments.
- ✓ Students can learn the instrument of their choice in a **room specially dedicated for that particular instrument in a focused but comfortable environment**. The music masters provide an **encouraging environment for students to learn and grow as musicians**.
- ✓ Our students are offered **professional level training** in the Music streams that they opt for and consequently they are **encouraged to participate in various competitions** to test their music skills and capabilities
- ✓ In the last 2 academic years, Ashoka Universal School has achieved **39 major Achievements in Music and Dance Competitions** as follows:
 - ✓ 6 National achievements
 - ✓ 23 State level achievements
 - ✓ 10 District Level achievements.

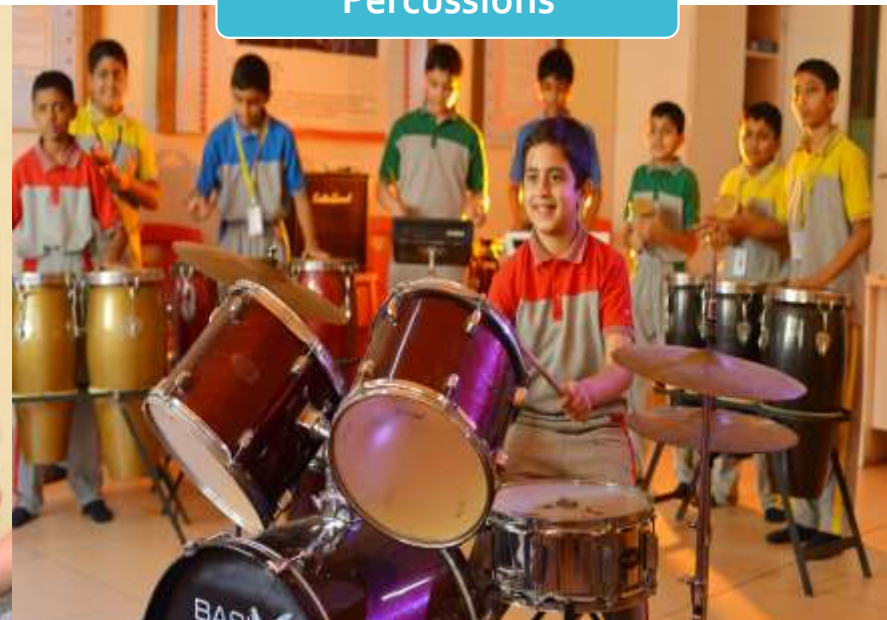
Sitar & Harmonium



Classical Vocals



Percussions



Guitar



Keyboard



Tabla



Offering Fitness & Fun through our Dance Activities

- ✓ Our Dance Studio has been specially designed for students who seek to **hone their dancing skills** and bring out the grace and beauty in their dance moves
- ✓ Equipped with **international quality music system**, this room gives enough space to students to nurture their skills in dance.
- ✓ Our **trained dance teachers** can skilfully gauge a student's style and skills and work with them to reach their potential in **various forms of Dance which include Fusion, Contemporary, Indian Classical Dance Forms, Bollywood, etc.**



Experiencing Ecology & Biodiversity with **Nature Club Activities**

- Not all of our classrooms are confined with walls. When it comes to subjects like **Ecology, Biodiversity, and Botany**, our students **practically and enthusiastically learn facts and concepts through field trips organized by our Nature Club**.
- Students from Grade 5 onwards can be a part of Nature Club and enrol for field trips and other activities that are conducted by the Club. These Field trips are like **Nature Walks** where students **explore different flora and fauna** at varying times of the year at Nature spots.
- Such experiences allow **students to engage with nature, learn about the environment, develop ecological awareness, and foster a sense of responsibility towards the natural world**
- Such **interesting pedagogies break monotony, act as a refreshing outdoor academic learning activity** for students, and also help students to **improve their physical & mental health**.
- **Recent Nature Club Field Trips**: Dugarwadi Waterfall, Bramhagiri Mountains, Dongad, Flamingo Bird sighting, etc.

Glimpses from Nature Club Field Trips



Enhance Focus &
Concentration
through a **Wide
Spectrum of
In-house
Sports
Activities**

- ✓ Ashoka Group of Schools is **equipped with the best sports facilities** that encourage our students to increase their interest and potential in sports. We have a wide range of sports including **Fencing, Shooting, Lawn Tennis, Swimming, Chess, Gymnastics, Marshal Arts, Football, Athletics, Basketball, Volleyball, Cricket, Skating.**
- ✓ Some of the noteworthy infrastructure at Ashoka includes:
 - A 10m shooting range for **Rifle and Pistol Shooting.**
 - A mini Olympic pool made of **5 lanes 25mtr.each**
 - A **Fencing Arena**
 - An **Astro turf, Cricket Pitch and Running Track**
 - World-class Basketball and Volleyball courts made up of **5 layer synthetic layers** to give extra grip and cushion.
- ✓ The **unique infrastructure, equipment and expert coaching** of these sport has given rise to several sports stars in Ashoka who have **represented the school at International, National, State and District level competitions.** They have earned laurels for the school and our Nation.

A Quick look at some of the Sports Offerings at Ashoka Group of Schools

