Sushila Birla Girls' School aims at ensuring the holistic development of students by engaging them in co-curricular activities. Not only does the school offer opportunities in school, it also encourages students to participate in several inter- school events. The year of the pandemic pushed all offline events into online mode. Students were encouraged to participate in several activities, both intra school and inter school. Some notable representations were:

SIGNATURE EVENTS

• SUSHILA BIRLA MEMORIAL DAY

Sushila Birla Girls' School celebrated Memorial Day on 29th September 2022 to commemorate the birthday of Smt. Sushila Devi Birla mother of Sri S.K.Birla through a Ted Talk on the TED X platform. The theme comprised 'Of isms and schisms: A Divided Society'.

The distinguished speakers for the day were Mr. Atri Bhattacharya, Additional Chief Secretary, Sunderban Affairs, West Bengal whose topic was, 'Pluralism in Democracy:Fact or Fiction?' Ms. Swati Gautam, a successful entrepreuner highlighted, 'The Gender Divide in the Workplace'. Ms. Sohini Sengupta, eminent film and theatre personality elaborated on the topic, 'Ageism and the Performing Art'. Dr. Reena Sen, special educator spoke on, 'Ableism and the Indian Education'. Mr. Kounteya Sinha, award-winning journalist spoke on the topic, 'Socially Connected, Emotionally Disconnected'. Last but not the least Ms. Sharmila Bose, eminent educationist and Director, Sushila Birla Girls' School, spoke on the topic, 'Humanism, the Final 'ism'.



• MAGICAL MARCH 3.0: A signature event comprising a host of interesting activities kept all students from Classes Nursery to IX and XI engaged from 2nd March to 24th March 2023. The key events included a plethora of workshops like those on Clay modeling, Acapella, Rhythmic Yoga, Patachitra, Stagecraft, Zumba, Acapella, Block Printing, Drama, Beat Boxing, Mask Painting, Chhaau and Rhythmic Yoga. A number of inter house competitions were also organized for the students, some of which were Kabaddi, Throwball, Table Tennis, Skating, Basketball, Flower Arrangement, Dance, Non-Flame Cooking and Shark Tank.













INTER SCHOOL EVENTS

• **20.07.2022-** Tiara Basu of Class III, won the Article Writing Competition organized by Literacy Planet. Her article was selected from hundreds of entries world-wide and published in their edition of the Intrepizine Magazine.



• 11.07.2022- 23rd L. N. Birla Memorial Invitational Debate.

The participants of Sushila Birla Girls' School surpassed everybody with the acquisition of three impressive positions. Madhunisha Majumder of the Proposition bagged the Runner-up Speaker Trophy and Noyonika Ghose from the Opposition was adjudged the Best Speaker. Together the team, which also comprised Riddhima Kuthari as a Q Panelist, won everybody's heart by securing the position of the Best Team. It is indeed a time for great



celebration at Sushila Birla Girls' School.

• **Jefferson Junior Debate Competition** was held on 15th July at the USIS. The participants were Lakksha Khanna (XB) and Sanvi Daga (XD) The topic of the debate was: The U.S. - India strategic relationship thrives on democratic values and students from the school secured the **second position**.



• The Victoria Memorial Museum partnered with the Natural History Museum, London, for a landmark youth outreach project titled Young Minds for a Compassionate World,

funded by the British Council under the bilateral partnership 'India-UK Together at 75. The aim of the project was to use nature and wildlife photography to amplify, champion, and celebrate the voice of young people by providing them with an international platform to share their experiences of the natural world. Dipta Kundu and Manya Kapoor of Class XI participated in this week-long photography workshop from the 20th to the 25th of June 2022 and were trained by some of the leading experts and mentors in the field. The workshop culminated in a photography exhibition which was inaugurated on 17th November 2022 and remained on display in the Durbar Hall of the Victoria Memorial Museum till the month of December.

 VAN MAHOTXAV 2022 - 25 students from Classes II, III, IV and V participated in Van Mahotsav 2022, an inter-school fest organised by St. Xavier's Collegiate School on 22nd and 25th July 2022.

Results-

Fashion Show-1st Position Fancy Dress - 2nd Position



INTER SCHOOL FEST 'EXEBIT 2022'

Sarthika Neogi of Class III won 'THE ASSIDUOUS ACHIEVER AWARD' for the event qwertyRUSH in the Inter School Fest 'Exebit 2022' organised by LakshmipatSinghania Academy on 12th August in the online mode. Sarthika's brilliant typing speed and accuracy helped her to bag this award.

• <u>Abhivyakti 2023</u>: A team of 15 students from Nursery to Class II participated in "Abhivyakti 2023", an Inter School Pre- Primary fest organized by Delhi Public School, Ruby Park. The students took part in all the six events and **won the first prize** for "String Symphony"- the puppet dance and **second prize** for the "Splish Splash Bulletin".

• MANTHAN, an Inter School Fest organized by Abhinav Bharati School on <u>25.09.22-</u> A team of 12 students from Classes III, IV and V participated in Group Dance and 8

students participated in Group song and other events. The awards won are:

- 1. Group Dance competition- 1st Position
- 2. Best Promising School
- 3. Begum Hazrat Mahal Award in Dance.
- 4. Mahatma Gandhi Award for Story Telling,
- 5. Rabindranath Award for Star Performer School.
- 6. Best promising school and Rabindranath award for star performer school.
- 7. Where The Mind Is Without Fear (Sit and Draw Competition) 2nd Position





<u>ULLAS</u> an Inter School Fest organized by South Point School on 13.01.2023 & 14.01.2023.
 Two of our students took part and both secured 1st position in their respective event.
 FUNKY FINGERS (CREATION WITH PLAY DOUGH) - 1st Position
 KALASH RANJAN (POT PAINTING) - 1st Position



- **PREAMBLE** An Inter School Fest organized by Mahadevi Birla World Academy on **31.01.2023**-. Students of Classes IV V participated in the group folk dance and Illustrated Introduction (Art) and secured the **1st position** respectively.
- **29.01.2023** The Inter School Gita Shloka Chanting Competition was held on 29th January 2023 at Chinmaya Mission, Kolkata. Two students from Sushila Birla Girls' School had participated in it. Jeetisha Dutt of Class Vll B ranked **second** in the competition. The award ceremony was held at Birla Academy of Fine Arts on **19th March 2023**.

30.06.2023- Students from Classes IV and V have participated in the Inter School Fest - Vanmahotsav, organized by St. Xavier's Collegiate School. Theme was Save Mother Earth. The **group dance 'Jungle Beats'** secured **1st Position** and **Green Bowl Gala (Art)** and secured **2nd position**.

• Students of Class V participated in 'Smoke free Diwali', an Inter-School Virtual Creativity Competition organized by SwitchoN Foundation in partnership with Warriors Moms, IN Earth Day Network-India Ubuntu Eat Y- East.

Keeping in mind the environmental hazards of pollution, the students took a pledge to enjoy a smoke-free festival of lights.

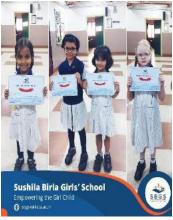
1st position Myra Basu 2nd position Nivriti Agarwal 3rd position Kavya Chirania & Twisha Singhal

INTRA SCHOOL EVENTS

A plethora of competitions like Quiz (both general and Science/Mathematics Quiz), Elocution, Debate, Music, Dance, Sports, Fireless Cookery, JAM, Creative Writing were conducted for students across the school.

• Inter House English, Hindi, Bengali Elocution Competitions were organised for the students of Classes III, IV and V.





• An Inter House Art Competition was organised for the students of Classes I to V from 1st August to 5th August 2022. Their colorful paintings showcased the power of their imagination and creativity.



- Inter House JAM- An Inter House Just a Minute Competition was organised for the students of Classes V and IV on 20th and 21st September 2022 respectively. The students, shortlisted from the four Houses, spoke on the topics given to them on spot with great confidence.
- An Inter House Quiz Competition was organised for the students of Class III on Thursday, 8th September 2022. The students were quizzed on famous personalities, important monuments, logos and their general awareness. The quiz concluded with a rapid-fire round.
- On 20 September 2022, Hindi Diwas was celebrated by the students of the senior section
 of Sushila Birla Girls' School.
 An inter house competition titled ' Hindi Sahitya Ke Anmol Ratn' was organised where
 each house had to prepare a bulletin board on two eminent authors. The competition was
 judged by senior teachers from Birla High School and Sushila Birla Girls' School.
- An Inter House Music and Dance Competition was organised for the students of Class I -V at the Centre for Performing Arts. Students from all four Houses participated in the competition. They were trained by the senior students of their respective Houses



• Inter House Music Competition for Classes IX and X on 24th of November, 2022. Students pursuing Western and Eastern Vocal participated in the competition. Each team presented a musical skit with a social message.

Students of Classes III, IV and V celebrated National Mathematics Week from 19th to 22nd
December to mark the birth anniversary of legendary mathematician, Srinivasa
Ramanujan. The students of Classes III and Class V participated in Mental Math Housie
and Rubik's Cube Challenge respectively to hone their analytical skills



- On 19th July, an inter-house Science and Mathematics Quiz was held for the students of Classes VI and VII.
- An Inter House Roller Skating Competition was held on 28th February 2023 for the students of Classes III V. It was conducted by the skating coach, Mr. Ajay Bera.

CELEBRATION OF SPECIAL DAYS

• In a bid to commemorate International Dance Day, students from junior and senior sections of Sushila Birla Girls' School performed a choreographed Indo-Western dance. The video was shot as a one- take sequence using the entire school premises. The students danced in the form of a flash mob along with their mentors, the dance teachers of the school.

Labour Day

To celebrate the untiring effort of the labour force, Labour Day was celebrated at Sushila Birla Girls' School with great zeal. Labour Day reminds us that the architects of our society, who work behind the scenes, deserve respect for the wonderful work they do.

 Yoga Day- 21.06.2022
 On the occasion of International Yoga Day 2022, six city schools joined hands and demonstrated various asanas to highlight the importance of physical fitness.



• Music exerts a powerful influence on humans by spreading positivity. It is a universal language that boosts memory, lightens one's mood, reduces anxiety and depression, staves off fatigue and helps one work effectively. To celebrate World Music Day on 21st June, Sushila Birla Girls' School spreads happiness by singing Bob Marley's song, 'Don't Worry, Be Happy'. In order to maintain one's physical, mental and emotional wellbeing, nothing could be a better mantra than this.





 On 2nd February 2023, the students of Classes IV and V celebrated 'World Wetlands Day' with the screening of a documentary film, 'Biodiversity in the Sundarbans', conducted in collaboration with Kids for Tigers, Sanctuary, HT Parekh Foundation, SHER.

A round of quizzes on the flora and fauna of the wetlands was conducted by the students of the Quiz Club as a follow-up activity. The session helped in sensitising the students about the importance of preserving nature and the natural ecosystems.

National Unity Day

The school spread awareness and paid homage to The Iron Man of India. Students learnt invaluable lessons of patriotism on National Unity Day. Overall it was an informative project which inculcated many enriching values like discipline, unity and team spirit which is required for the holistic development of children.



OTHER EVENTS

- On Rath Yatra, the Nursery and Kindergarten students celebrated the auspicious occasion to usher in happiness and prosperity in their lives.
- The First Calcutta Local Association organised Van Mahotsav for the Bulbuls on Sunday, 31st July 2022 at Calcutta Parsi Club, The Maidan Tent.

The Bulbuls learnt the importance of planting trees and keeping the environment clean and green.



- On 15th September, 2022 a seminar on Cyber Security was organised by Sushila Birla Girls' School at G. D. Birla Sabhagar. The facilitator was Dr. Rakshit Tandon, an expert on Cyber Security. His guidance to young students on keeping security norms uppermost on their minds while using electronic devices formed the core of his address.
- On November 28, 2022, eminent author Mr. Christopher C. Doyle conducted an interactive session with the students of Sushila Birla Girls' School. He enlightened the students about various unsolved mysteries that have puzzled the human race for years and also spoke about myriad aspects of the great Indian epic, the Mahabharata. He also read out excerpts from his book, 'The Mahabharata Quest'. The interaction between the students and the author was followed by a question answer session.
- The students of Sushila Birla Girls' School made posters and videos to create awareness about Pariksha Pe Charcha, 2023.



- As per NEP 2020 recommendation sent by CBSE, Department of Hindi, Mrs. S. Chakraborty and Mrs. Fatwani made students of Class-III aware of different Indian languages. This session was conducted on 25 January, 2023. Special attention was given to the mother tongue and regional languages. In a multi-linguistic programme, students expressed their views on their respective mother tongues and regional languages such as Gujarati, Punjabi, Marwadi, Bangla, Urdu etc.
- Annual Sports Day









- The students of Class VI pursuing Art and Craft worked on a project titled 'Lippan Art' or 'Lippan Kam'. This is a clay and mirror art form practiced by rural ladies of Gujarat, particularly in the Kutch region, to decorate their homes. The students used canvas board and MDF board for making the base. Designs were made out of air dry clay, painted with acrylic colours, and decorated with mirrors. The students thoroughly enjoyed working on the project.
- The UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) are a call for action by all countries to promote prosperity while protecting the planet. To make students aware of their role as future global citizens, curricular topics are amalgamated with pressing 21st-century global issues in consonance with the 17 SDGs.





• The members of the Photography Club comprising students from Classes VI-VII organized a photography exhibition on 24 March 2023. The best photographs taken by the students throughout the academic year were displayed showcasing a wide array of themes like Nature, Still Life, Broken Things- Broken yet Beautiful. The exhibition was a true reflection of aesthetics and creativity of the students.



• On Friday, 24th March 2023, the students of Classes VI to XI of Sushila Birla Girls' School showcased their artistic talent in a display of various forms of art work done by them in the session 2022-23. Their work comprised clay modelling, Lippan Art, papier mache, paper quilling, Patachitra, mask making, tiles painting, poster making, doodle art, yarn art, Tempera Painting, Spatula Painting, illustrated folders, tie and dye, tapestry, Jamdani saree designs, collage, compositions on analytical cubism and compositions using water colours, pen and ink, pencils and oil pastels.



• On 24th March, 2023, Sushila Birla Girls' School, organised a science exhibition in the school premises. Students from Classes VI-XI participated in the exhibition



CONCERT

• The annual concert, The Countdown Begins... was put up by the students of the Nursery, our youngest learners in school. The little ones went on stage for the first time and mesmerized the audience as they wove magic with digits and numbers. The confidence and ease with which each student performed ensured the success of the show.



ACHIEVEMENTS IN SPORTS

- <u>16.04.2022-17.04.2022-</u> Rupkatha Banerjee of class V won a bronze medal in the Kata event at the 24th State Karate Championship held at Khudiram Anushilan Kendra.
- <u>03.05.2022 07.05.2022</u> 12 students of Sushila Birla Girls' School took part in an Inter School Basketball Tournament organised by Reliance Foundation Jr. NBA at Boy's Training Association, Kalighat.



• <u>15.05.2022 - 22.05.2022</u> -An Inter School Rowing Championship was held at BRC organised by Bengal Rowing Club. 5 students from Sushila Birla School participated in the competition. They participated in both the events- Coxed fours and Indoor rowing.

• <u>06.08.2022</u>- Calcutta International School organized a fest - Confluence. The School Basketball team participated in this event and they got the **runners- up** trophy.



• <u>08.08.2022 - 15.08.2022</u>-Sub- Junior Basketball Tournament organized by Alipore Sports Club at Railway Sports Ground. **Srija Mundra was selected for nationals.**

- 9 students participated in the Inter School Throwball Competition organized by South Point School and secured 3rd Position.
- **1st December to 4th December 2022-** CBSE CLUSTER- II Basketball Tournament was held at Burnpur Riverside School, Burnpur. The 3 states that took part in the cluster meet were Chhattisgarh, Odisha and West Bengal.

Twelve students of Sushila Birla Girls' School, from classes IX to XI participated in the tournament.

Sushila Birla Girls' School team bagged the 1st position in the girls U-19 category. Juhi Bansal was awarded the Player of the Match for the final match and Ipshita Pugalia was awarded the Player of the tournament





• 1.12.22- 4.12.23- Rhea Ann Thomas and Sharon Liz Thomas of class 11 S2 represented Sushila Birla Girls School in the CBSE Far East Zone Badminton Tournament held in and organized by DPS Duliajan located in the district of Dibrugarh, Assam. Sushila Birla Girls' School team reached the Semifinals and won the Bronze medal in the U-17 category.

1.12.22- 4.12.23- Sushila Birla Girls' School team participated in the **CBSE Far East Zone Inter-School Skating tournament** held at Krishna Public School, Raipur. Six students from classes V to IX took part in the competition in different age categories viz. U- 10, U-12, U-14, U-16. **Devyanshi Lakani** (Class 5 D) won **Silver medal** in 500m Quad category

Chahek Malpani (Class 6 D) won Silver medal in 300m Quad category and Gold medal in 1000m Quad category

Drishti Malpani (Class 9 B) won **Bronze medal** in 300m Quad category and **Silver medal** in 1000m Quad category

- **21.12.22- 27.12.22-** Juhi Bansal from 11C1 got selected in the final team for the Youth National Basketball Championship which is held at Indore, Madhya Pradesh.
- <u>30.12.2022 05.01.2023 Sushila Birla Girls' School Basketball team represented the CBSE Cluster- II (Chhattisgarh, Odisha and West Bengal), in the CBSE National Games held at Rajnandgaon, Chattisgarh.</u>

- <u>09.01.2023</u> -<u>11.01.2023</u> Three students of Sushila Birla Girls' School were selected to represent the CBSE Far East Zone in their respective category at the CBSE National Skating Championship, held at Shalom Hills International School, Gurgaon, Haryana.
- 13.12.2022 & 04.02.2023 Four students of senior section and junior section respectively
 were chosen to participate in the Invitation Relay organized by Modern High School as
 one of the events for their Annual Sports Day. Both our team stood 3rd and made us proud

CLUBS OFFERED TO STUDENTS IN SCHOOL

Primary School

Drama, Quiz, Kinderuni, Bulbuls, Scrabble, Cookery, Yoga, Coding, Dance, Music, Chess, Basketball, Table Tennis, Archery and Skating

Middle School

Drama, Public Speaking, Cookery, Art, Computer, Mathematics, DEAS, Book, Robotics, Scrabble, Elocution, Science and Nature, Quiz, Photography, Basketball, Volleyball, Zumba, Skating, Yoga, Archery and Table Tennis.

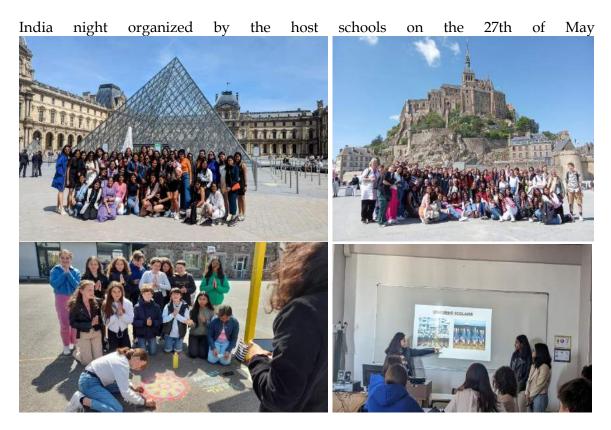
Senior School

Swaabhimaan- Social Entrepreneurship Club, Sneh- Social Service Club, Aavishkar-Mental Health Club, MUN, TedEd, Basketball, Volleyball, Zumba, Skating, Yoga and Table Tennis.

All clubs showcase their activities at the end of the academic session.

EXCHANGE PROGRAMMES

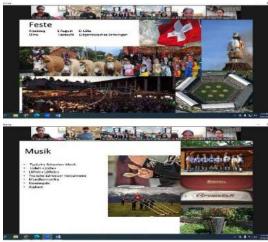
• Thirty-nine students from Classes VIII to XII and three teachers travelled to Brittany, France from the 20th to the 31st of May 2023 to participate in an in-person exchange with College Sacre Coeur and Lycee Saint Joseph, Lamballe. The trip was marked by a few inclass activities and several outdoor activities that included visits to places of historical and cultural interest. Both students and teachers stayed in the homes of their French counterparts and this enabled them to immerse themselves in the local culture. Some of the highlights of the 10-day visit were a meeting with the Mayor of Lamballe, visits to Mont Saint Michel, a UNESCO heritage site in Normandy; Saint Malo, a port city in Brittany which was once a stronghold of the privateers; Verger Fleuri- an organic apple orchard, Val Andre and the Pink Granite Coast that stretches over 30 kilometres along the coastline of Brittany. Students of SBGS performed Odissi and Garba and also sang songs in Hindi, Bengali and French to present their culture to the French audience at the Breizh-



• Virtual Exchange with Sekwila Zurich, Switzerland

An hour-long virtual exchange between the students of SBGS and Sekwila, a German school in Zurich, Switzerland took place on 19.01.2023. The exchange was divided into two sections. In the first, 10 German Language students from Classes VIII and IX made a presentation on India which was followed by a question/answer session in the German language. In the next session, the students from Sekwila spoke about their country and this was followed by a question/answer session in English. A reciprocal exchange took place on 09.02.2023.





• Virtual Exchange with France (Collège Sacré-Cœur, Lamballe) and Italy (I.C. R.Leone, Marina di Ginosa)

The students of Classes IV and V created collaborative booklets on the flora, fauna, local cuisines and recipes of the three countries using the CANVA app. They presented the same to their partner schools in multiple sessions throughout the academic session.

• Virtual Exchange with Amandus- Abendroth Gymnasium of Cuxhaven, Germany: A German Exchange Programme was held virtually on 21.06.2023. Five students each from Birla High School and Sushila Birla Girls' School and eight students from Amandus-Abendroth Gymnasium of Cuxhaven participated in it to share information about their homes, families, hobbies and interests. All participants presented interesting familiarization videos about themselves. Later they got to know each other even better as they interacted in smaller groups in four breakout rooms on the Zoom Platform.