

**FROM THE CHAIRMAN'S DESK
NATIONAL PUBLIC SCHOOL, RAJAJINAGAR
AN OVERVIEW OF THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2022-23**



Dear Parents,

We extend warm greetings and best wishes to all members of the NPS family. We are pleased to take this opportunity to write to you as we move towards the end of an extremely busy, but productive academic year for NPS Rajajinagar.

With the inroads of technology into education, the way students learn has changed. It is logical that schools use technology to reshape the way teachers and parents improve their experience. Being able to switch to an offline style of education has been a welcome change in our students' lives and a rather successful one at National Public School, Rajajinagar.

Our students and teachers put their best foot forward this year, owing to their persistence and dedication, for the process of switching back to the offline style of education. After two long pandemic years, regaining a semblance of normalcy was not only eagerly anticipated but also crucial for our students' welfare and education.

The Parent-Teacher Conferences (PTCs) for all the classes have been extremely well attended and we have been overwhelmed with the positive feedback we have received. We have been informed that these conferences have provided parents with specific information on how they can support their children in school and outside of class.

The accomplishments of our students in various spheres of school activity are authentic examples of NPS' dedication to the development of each and every student's potential in a positive environment. We abide by the NPS motto to 'Reach out, Reach high and Reach beyond' and encourage our students to utilize their academic, creative, social and emotional skills.

It brings me great pleasure to inform you of this year's most significant accomplishments.

Student Achievements 2022-23

Like in the previous years, our students left their mark on every competition or event they participated. The following are some of the most admirable academic and extracurricular accomplishments:

1. Students from National Public School, Rajajinagar once again brought honour to their school and their loved ones with their outstanding academic performance in the 2021-2022 board exams (Grades 10 and 12).
 - o *From Grade 10 our school toppers are - Anika U Bhat (99.40%), Aditya Sridhar (98.80%) and Anisha R (98.60%).*
 - o *From Grade 12, our school toppers are - Aryan Jha and Gayatri K (98.6%), Dyuthi Vivek (98%), Rohan J S and Shreya L N (97.85) from the Science stream and Akash G C (97.2%), Natasha Maria Gonsalves (96%) and Malini Subash (95.6%) from the Commerce stream.*

2. Susmit Roy of Grade 12 achieved an All-India Rank of 64 and was awarded the prestigious KVPY Scholarship under the aegis of the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore.
3. Sambarta Sanyal, Rishav Sanjay, Abhiram Sagiraju and Pratham G Bhat of Grade 10 were selected for Round 2 of the IIT Gandhinagar Aptitude test, BrainWiz. Sambarta Sanyal and Rishav Sanjay secured the first and eighth position out of the 100 students.
4. IIT Guwahati had organised Technothon, an International School Science based Championship for students of Grades 9 to 12. Sambarta Sanyal of Grade 10 was one of the 50 toppers and a gold medallist. He was also invited to IIT Guwahati during Techniche where he battled it out in various exciting events like Robotics, Aeromodelling and Brainstorming analysis.
5. Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore conducted their annual fest – Pravega – a Scientific Extravaganza. Susmit Roy and Rohann Rahul Shah of Grade 12 stood 1st and 3rd in the Biology based competition, ‘What would Darwin Do?’
6. Aryabhata Ganit Challenge – Dhivith Vivek of Grade 9 was placed in the top 100 students from Bengaluru region of CBSE at the All-India level of the CBSE Ganit Challenge.
7. Scholastic Writers Academy identifies and nurtures talented writers from across the country. A 10-day mentorship program, under the able guidance of Literary Experts, helps writers hone their skills, provides them with a reader’s perspective and moulds them into becoming published authors. The following students are now published authors with Scholastic, under the Writers Academy Program. Anika U Bhat’s (Grade 11) story was published in ‘A Library of Nineteen’, a splendid anthology of 19 stories. ‘Rainbow Between the Covers’, an anthology of 18 stories contains stories by the young authors - Anmol Saroop Grade 6), Shreya Kanjur (Grade 7), Samanvitha Prasad (Grade 7), Anaghashree Nair (Grade 8), Niharika Shukla (Grade 8) and Aagna Ajith Ambale (Grade 8).
8. Swara Vinay (KG 1A) secured 1st place and Vihaan Majjagi (KG 2A) secured 25th place at the National Level for their talks on Freedom Fighters conducted by The Central Heritage Department, India.
9. Smayan Aditya Baliga (KG 2A) secured a medal for Inter State Tae-kwon-do competition.
10. Logiquids, Olympiad, an IIT-IIM venture, was organised for the Senior Kindergarten. Laksh Karegoud and Sanchi Jain stood 2nd at the International Level.
11. Divit Bhargava, Grade 4 has hit the bull’s eye in Kaun Banega Crorepati 2021-22 held in Mumbai. He was awarded a cash voucher of Rupees 3 Lakh 20 thousand and a gift hamper from Britania.
12. Krupha S Ukkali, Grade 5 stood at Rank 6 in the U-10 and Rank 22 in the U-12 girls Chess Championship 2022, conducted by the All-India Chess Federation.
13. Dheemanth Mahesh of Grade 8 won gold and silver medals for Roller-skating at various State and National level Roller-skating Championships.
14. Aditya S of Grade 7 has been selected for the National level Inline hockey tournament.

15. NPS Rajajinagar Under 13 girls were selected for the National level Basketball tournament held in Himachal Pradesh. Hanisha S Shinde and Anvita Sanner of Grade 8 created history by taking home the gold medal.
16. The Basketball under 13 National camp at Bangalore was attended by Tanmay Manish Dhoke of Grade 9.
17. Khushi N (Grade 10), Tisha V (Grade 10) and Parth K Dubbal (Grade 11) were part of the Bronze medal winning girls and boys teams respectively at the Under 16 National level basketball tournament held in Madhya Pradesh.
18. Priyaka B (Grade 12), Khushi N (Grade 10) and Avinash Nayak (Grade 12) were part of the Bronze medal winning girls and boys teams respectively at the Under 18 National level basketball tournament held in Calicut.
19. At the Junior NBA National level basketball championships held in Noida, Sameeha R Rai (Grade 9), Tisha V (Grade 10) and Divaa Utkarsha (Grade 9) were members of the winning team and emerged as champions. Tisha V and Sameeha R Rai also attended the Junior NBA Indian camp.
20. Priyanka B (Grade 12), Khushi N (Grade 10) and Avinash Nayak (Grade 12) were part of the Karnataka state team that participated in the Khelo India National level basketball tournament at Indore, Madhya Pradesh.
21. Siddhi Gautam Shah (Grade 10) won the silver medal for the 50m backstroke at the 48th Junior National Aquatic swimming championships 2022 held at Odisha. In the 50 m backstroke at the Khelo India Youth Games held at Bhopal she secured the 5th position. In the 100m backstroke of the Khelo India women's league - Zone 3 held at Bangalore, she bagged the 2nd place. Siddhi also won silver and gold medals at the 50m and 100m backstroke respectively at the Karnataka State Mini Olympics held at Bangalore.
22. Dhruvi Anand Deshpande (Grade 12) won the Silver medal for 200m freestyle, Gold for 100m Butterfly stroke and the Bronze medal for 50m Breast stroke at the CBSE Zonal Interschool swimming competition at Bangalore and was placed second at the CBSE National level competition held at Rajkot, Gujarat.

School Prefect and Best Outgoing Students 2022-23

Each year, 2 students from Class 12 receive the highest honour, which stands for leadership, bravery, and extreme diligence. the honour of being chosen as the school representatives and as the student prefects, who serve as the face of the present generation. For the academic year 2022-23, *Vishal S Rao and Aditi Prabhu of Grade 12* were elected as the student prefects.

Akash G C of Grade 12 was awarded the LT. Col. Ajit Bhandarkar Memorial Award for the best academic and co-curricular performance for the academic year 2021-22.

Batch of 2021-22: Excellent Placements in Prestigious Universities in India and Abroad

Dev Banthia	University of California, San Diego
Keerthana Deva	University Of Birmingham
Dhruti Rajesh	University of Illinois, Chicago
Tanmaya Mahesh	University of Massachusetts, Amherst
Yamini R V Mohite	Queen Mary University, London
Srigouri Rudravaram	North Carolina State University
Akshath Raghav R	Purdue University
Shreya L N	Purdue University
Vaibhav Manegar	IIT Chennai
Kinshuk Kalia	IIT Kharagpur
Archith Casheekar	BITS, Hyderabad
Rahul Ravishankar	BITS, Pilani
Raghuram A Kumar	Manipal University Medical College, Malaysia
Aditi Shivakumar	Bowring and Lady Curzon Medical College
Vibhas R	St Johns Medical College
Akanksha Vasant	Indian Institute of Science Education & Research, Mohali
Aaratrika Sarkar	Indian Institute of Space Science & Technology, Kolkata
Dyuthi Vivek	Indian Institute of Information Technology, Bangalore
Tanay Gad	Indian Institute of Information Technology, Bangalore
Twisha Lakshmi Ramesh	University of Agricultural Sciences, Bangalore
Madhumathi Y S	Wadiyar Centre for Architecture, Mysore
Raghav Ravishankar	Vellore Institute of Technology
Rahul M	Vellore Institute of Technology
Ritu Hiremath	Vellore Institute of Technology
Ananya Raghunandan	Vellore Institute of Technology

Our students have also taken admission in other prominent Engineering and Medical Colleges, M S Ramaiah, PES and Manipal Universities.

School Events 2022-23

Student Leadership Training

Student Leadership Training for the elected school council members is a pilot project established at NPS Rajajinagar this academic year in collaboration with the NPS Quality Assurance Team and the TISB Training Academy to train students to assume leadership roles with a spirit of morality and integrity.

Kindergarten

KG1 celebrated Colour Day as a themed fun-filled day bursting with hues. KG 2 celebrated Green Day with events relating to the environment. There was also an exciting array of varied talents displayed by the Kindergartners on Talents Day.

The year witnessed the remarkable and enthusiastic performance by the kindergartners at their Sports Day- Tender Feet.

Literary Competitions

Literary competitions like Talent Hunt, Best out of Waste (Grades 1-5), Show and Tell, Story Telling with Puppets (Grade 1), Melody Time, Just A Minute, Creative Ads (Grade 2), Origami, Spell Bee, Character Analysis (Grade 3), Flameless Cooking, Hindi Speech, Crossword Puzzle (Grade 4) and Math-O-Mania, Declamation, Fashionista (Grade 5) were some of the highlights of the primary level that witnessed enthusiastic and active participation of students.

Hindi Diwas, Kannada Rajyotsava

Hindi Diwas was observed with special assemblies, to cherish Indian culture and celebrate Hindi. Speeches and poems extolling the importance of the language were presented. A fusion dance and a play added to the cultural richness of the event. Kannada Rajyotsava gave the students a glimpse of the rich history of Karnataka.

Young Entrepreneurship Program

The school grounds transformed into a buzzing bazaar on Market Day, as Young Entrepreneurs of Grade 6 were introduced to the world of business and marketing. Starting with conceptualizing the product, to wooing venture capitalists for investment and devising astute marketing strategies under the able guidance of their teachers, our sixth graders left no stone unturned to ensure this event was successful. The 'Curio City' sales, a collaborative effort by the students, made for a memorable Saturday sale and topped off with the profits from its wide array of products that were donated towards various organisations that support the underprivileged like orphanages, old age homes and blind schools.

Flag Day and Human Rights Day Assembly

A special assembly to observe Flag Day and Human Rights Day was organized. Students of grade 9 performed a street play on two very important topics - Beti Bachao, Beti Pado and food security for all.

University Fairs and Career Guidance programs

Students of Grades 11 and 12 were given career guidance by representatives of various universities and institutes like Indian School of Hospitality, Gen Next Education, Ashoka University, The Global Art and Design Expo, Career Opportunities in the Armed forces and Global Universities Fair. The representatives of the host universities discussed their institutions' salient features, admission requirements, and other pertinent information relating to life and education on their campuses.

Spectrum 2022

Spectrum 2022 was a visually and intellectually stimulating exhibition put up by students of grades 9, 10 and 12. The exhibits covered Science & Psychology, Math, Computer Science, Social Sciences, Commerce and the Indian Languages. Ranging from working models to apps using AI, students came up with interesting and innovative projects that revealed their subject knowledge and creativity.

Annual Theatrical Production - Beauty and the Beast

Theatre is the ultimate immersive art form that allows students to explore their creativity, confidence, communication and emotions. Students of Grade 11 opened a window into a whimsical world full of dance and music, as characters came to life in a story of inner strength, acceptance, sacrifice and unconditional love – Beauty and the Beast! It was a perfect syncing of drama, dance and music as all 82 students were involved in various aspects of the play like props, sound, lights and backdrops.

Graduation Day 2023

This special event marked the culmination of a journey of hopes, dreams and aspirations of 101 young, sprightly students. The Graduation Ceremony heralded yet another journey- a journey with lessons to learn and experiences to enjoy for the batch of 2023. The chief guest for the evening was Ms. C Shikha, IAS, Commissioner of Commercial Taxes, Karnataka.

Teachers' Well-Being Road Trip

National Public School understands the importance of cultivating healthy and encouraging environments for our brilliant faculty members. Dr. Bindu Hari, Vice Chairperson of National Public Schools India and Singapore, NAFL and TISB, ideated and organised a recreational day for the teachers to come together and interact and engage in leisurely games and activities. The teachers and support staff who had given over 15 years of their professional service to the school were also given special acknowledgements and appreciation by the distinguished board members.

Futurum EST Manibus

The sixth edition of R-NPSMUN, the inter school Model United Nations competition brought together students from different schools on a platform to debate and discuss on finding solutions to imminent world issues. Around 230 elegantly dressed delegates walked with confidence, all set to play their roles in the Model United Nations to perfection.

Pareeksha Pe Charcha

NPS Rajajinagar was chosen as an ambassador school for the Pareeksha Pe Charcha event. Students of Grade 11 addressed Grade 10 students on exam stress management and relaxation techniques.

CBSE Initiatives

The school participated in 25 CBSE initiatives and uploaded some of the best works on the CBSE portal. Students and staff showed an enthusiastic response towards the various initiatives and webinars.

A Gender Sensitivity Capacity Building program and a workshop on Financial Literacy by the CBSE Centre of Excellence, Bangalore was organized for the faculty of NPS Rajajinagar.

SAFAL

CBSE's pilot project – SAFAL, Structured Assessment For Analyzing Learning was conducted online for students of Grades 5 & 8 in English, Math and Science. These assessments focus on testing core concepts, application of knowledge and higher order thinking skills. SAFAL ensures progress aims to provide diagnostic information about students' learning to schools and thus, support school education to move towards competency-based education.

Annual Day Primary School

Annual Day by the students of Grades 3-5 witnessed an array of talents showcased through oration, dance, drama and music. The event was a riot of hues with the students of Grade 5 taking part in 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory', Grade 4 performing SaPa songs and dances and Grade 3 staging 'Battle of Wits' – stories of Tenali Rama.

SAPA Dance Workshop 2022

SaPa (Subramaniam Academy of Performing Arts) held a workshop for children, 'Music Meets Dance', on the various dance forms of India. *Ms. Babina Taorem* a Bharatanatyam and Manipuri exponent, through an interactive session of simple exercises and movements, transformed a few steps into a small song and dance session for the students.

Fin Lit Programme

Financial literacy has fast become a necessary skill for all age groups. A pilot project initiated by the Social Science Department, trains students of Grades 6 to 12 on money matters and ways to save money.

Sangeethotsava – Sri Purandara Dasa and Sri Thyagaraja Aradhane

Students from Grades 4 to 12 participated in the Sangeethotsava to celebrate the music of the great carnatic gems, Sri Purandara Dasa and Sri Thyagaraja. This was the 6th edition of the festival with more than 50 vocalists in each group accompanied by instrumentalists on the violin, veena, flute, table and mridangam. The hall reverberated with positive vibes as they presented the pancharatna kritis.

Summer Vacation and Dates of Re-opening

The school will remain closed from 1st April 2023 for the summer vacations. The detailed schedule of the re-opening of the school is as follows:

Class	Date
Class 1-8	Wednesday, 7th June 2023
Class 9-12	Thursday, 25th May 2023
KG 1	Friday, 9th June 2023
KG 2	Thursday, 15th June 2023
Montessori (Juniors and Seniors)	Thursday, 8th June 2023
Montessori (Freshers)	Wednesday, 14th June 2023

These dates are subject to change based on the Government notification at that time.

Textbooks and Notebooks

Many parents have voiced their concerns and difficulties with the organising of textbooks and other resources in a timely manner. To prevent any academic setback when the school reopens, we have arranged for books and materials from several sources and will be delivering them to the students. The prices and the schedule for book distribution will be separately communicated to the students.

Application for Transfer Certificate

We are under a lot of demand from parents, both in India and abroad, who want their children to attend National Public School, Rajajinagar. We would appreciate it if parents could let us know by no later than Wednesday, **March 1st 2023**, if they intend to withdraw their children from the school for the upcoming academic year. "Annexure F" application, can be downloaded from the school website and submitted to the school bursary.

Annual Fees

Annual Fees for the academic year 2023-24 may please be remitted from 15.03.2023 to 05.04.2023 in the Acadamis parent portal. We presume that the students who do not remit the fees by the due date will not be continuing in the school for the next academic year.

An annual fee increase of 7.5% to 10% is effective to offset the increasing expenditure by way of salary, DA, HRA, maintenance and material expenditure etc. as NPS is a private self-financing institution.

We also have a new increase in the property tax of the school. We are sure our parents will understand the escalations.

School-parent communication fosters better understanding and collaboration to make education a wholesome experience for the child. We thank all parents for positively supporting the school for all the initiatives undertaken.

We are eagerly awaiting to walk into the next academic year and experience everything it has to offer.

Wishing you and your wards a great summer vacation!

Warm Regards

DR K P GOPALKRISHNA

Chairman, NPS Group of Institutions, NAFL and TISB
