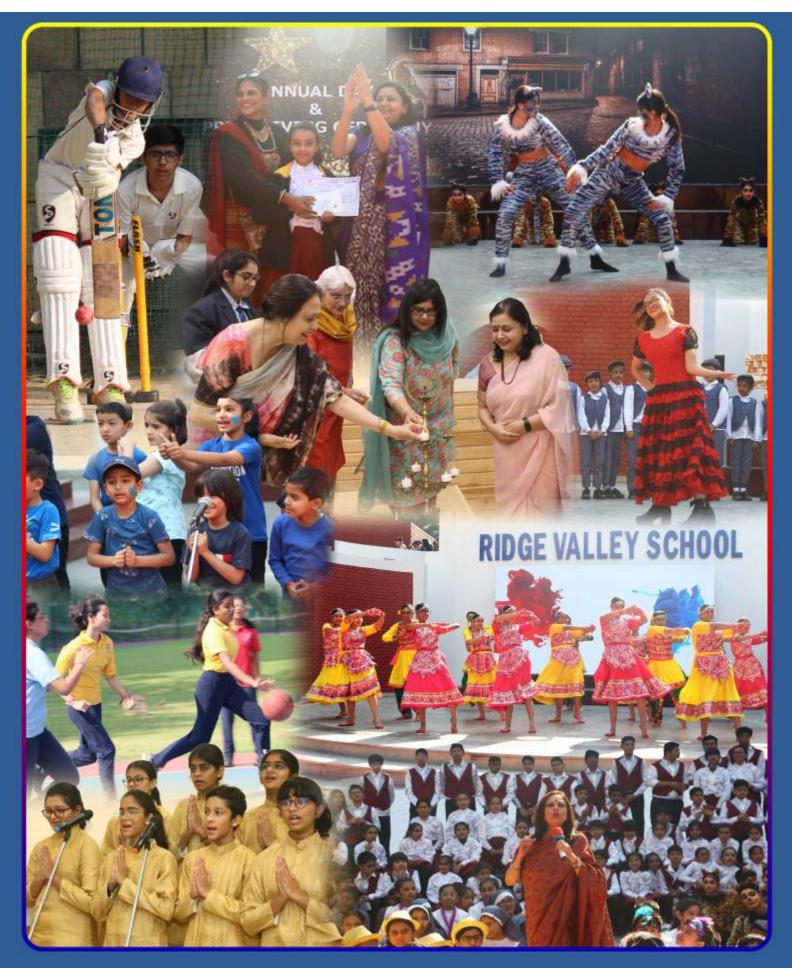


# OVER THE RIDGE DLF INOVATIVE SCHOOLS



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# From The Chairperson Desk

We are endeavouring to improve school performances and student outcomes, greater innovation, a tight management of resources and tailoring programmes to meet the needs of the school communities.

In the area of teacher management we are appointing teachers who dare to challenge prevailing standardised education policies and practices in favour of more individualised holistic approaches that tap into the talents



of children to be better prepared to live productively in a rapidly changing world. We train teachers who implement processes which foster student autonomy and leadership, encourage inventive learners with skills, understand and channelise the creative spirit, maximise liberty to make meaningful decisions and develop global partnerships.

In order to avoid distances between communities and people, our school emphasises partnerships and alliances, moves from self-centred existence to coexistence; from confrontation to interaction and from alienation to collaboration.

Keep the faith!

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Dr. Ameeta Mulla Wattal

Chairperson and Executive Director

Education, Innovations and Training

DLF Foundation Schools and

Scholarship Programme

## From The Principal Desk

Pandit Nehru once in his speech said, "The future is one of incessant striving". That holds true more than ever today with so many challenges being faced by us every day. RVS remains consistent and undaunted in the face of these challenges. The education imparted by the school emphasizes collective power to harness new thought and action that youth can generate to become change-makers. We build reservoirs of hope though a curriculum where learning and engagement of students and staff encourages responsible citizenship, conflict



resolution and inclusivity. Our mantra to success is to derive social meaning from all that we do. This would not be possible without the germination of ideas and constant support provided to students by their teachers and mentors. I am grateful to each one of them for providing the opportunity to students for doing something out of the ordinary.

Let RVS blossom from strength to strength!

Warm regards,

N. Jewari Nidhi Tewari Principal







### **GURU NANAK JAYANTI**

Guru Nanak Jayanti, also known as Gurpurab or Guru Nanak's Prakash Utsav honours the birth anniversary of Guru Nanak Dev Ji. To celebrate this propitious festival, the students of Grade II conducted a special assembly with great zeal and enthusiasm. The assembly began with school prayer, followed by messages spread by Guru Nanak Dev Ji's great life. Serenity and calmness floated in the air when students chanted 'Ik Onkar' melodiously giving the lesson of Unity and Equality. Ms. Shalini Batra next Junior School urged the students to follow Guru Nanak Ji's path and spread the message of unity and brotherhood.



### **DIWALI**

### **Festival of Lights**

The significance of Diwai is the removal of darkness and ignorance from the mind and illuminating it with wisdom and goodness. A special assembly was organised to celebrate the auspicious occasion. Through the powerful tool of theatre, the students depicted a scene from 'Ramayana' showcasing the victory of good over evil.



The dance performance enthralled the audience and instilled in them the zealous spirit of the festival. The assembly culminated by the insightful message of the Principal to spread happiness and joy in the lives of the people in need by participating in the 'Joy of Giving' campaign initiated by the students.



### **ANNUAL DAY**

The students, staff and mentors celebrated the Annual Day with great verve and gusto on 17th December 2022. Chief Guest, Mrs Navina Jafa, Cultural Heritage Technocrat and Eminent Kathak Exponent, presided over the function. It was an honour to have Dr Ameeta Mulla Wattal, Chairperson DLF QEC Innovative Schools, distinguished members of the management, esteemed quests and parents on this occasion. The school Principal, Mrs Nidhi Tewari, welcomed the quests and highlighted that the school is committed to inculcate values and educate our students to build a better society through an education of the head, heart and hand. The programme commenced with the Ridgeon Symphony that reverberated through the hearts of all. The annual report was presented by the Principal and the council members of the student body. The school also released the very first edition of the student led school magazine, edited by Marjaan Raja and Joya Bhuyan of Class XII. A prize distribution ceremony was conducted to felicitate and recognize the talent of students in various fields including Academics, Art, Cultural and Sports. Ms Shalini Batra, Head Junior School announced the awards of Excellence and the names of prize winners. This was followed by the most awaited cultural performance of the day, 'World of Musicals', that transported the audience to Broadway and gave them a glimpse of some of the most iconic shows to be ever written and presented in the History of Performing Art such as Cats, The Sound of Music, My Fair Lady, Oliver and Bollywood.





## 'A GROWTH MINDSET: INCLUSION, REFLECTION AND JOY'

There could have been no better start to the year! DLF QEC Innovative Schools organised its annual Winter Staff Seminar on the topic—
"A GROWTH MINDSET: INCLUSION, REFLECTION AND JOY". The session commenced with a hearty welcome by Dr. Ameeta Mulla Wattal and her words of wisdom to commemorate the beginning of the new year. The first resource person of the day was motivational speaker Mr. Divyanshu Ganatra. Visually impaired at the age of 19, he is one of the world's leading speakers on

leadership, inclusion and innovation. He took us on his journey of courage and inspired us to never lose hope. We were lucky to witness Ms.Fouzia Dastango performing Dastan-e-Mahabharata, in Dastangoi an Urdu oral storytelling art form, along with Firoz Khan. It transported us to the world of soulful Urdu poetry and music. The seminar culminated with a stand-up comedy session by, Ms. Vasu Primlani an internationally acclaimed comedian who entertained us with her anecdotes infusing laughter and humour amongst the audience.





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The school organised the Citation Ceremony for the outgoing Grade XII Batch of 2023 on 21st January 2023 in the presence of their proud parents and distinguished quests. The ceremony began with the lighting of

guests. The ceremony began with the lighting of the lamp to commemorate the beautiful occasion where the tiny cocoons have transformed into butterflies ready to take on the world. The citation ceremony was graced by our chief guest, Dr. Amna Mirza, an eminent academician, author, entrepreneur and curator of ideas. She motivated the students with her wise words and wished them a bright future. The ceremony was culminated with the inauguration of the RVS Old Student Association by Arpita Sondhi, Head Girl 2021-22.

### **WINTER CARNIVAL**





#### REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATION

To mark the auspicious occasion of India's 74th Republic Day, the school showcased a unique exhibition on the theme 'Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat' on Wednesday, January 25th, 2023. India is a beautiful combination of an array of cultures, religions, tribes, languages, folklore and food which were creatively displayed by all the students from Pre-Nursery to Grade VIII, using recycled and waste materials. From the wrestlers of Haryana to the delicious patande and Dham dishes of Himachal Pradesh and the taste of Kawa from Kashmir, it truly mesmerised the visitors. The Art of Delhi, the Durga Puja celebration of West Bengal, the ethnic wear of Karnataka and the handicrafts of Gujarat, awakened the spirit of 'Incredible India' in the hearts of all Ridgeans.



### **INVESTITURE CEREMONY**

The Investiture Ceremony 2023-24 of our school successfully inducted the newly appointed members of the school's prefectorial board on 3rd February 2023. Principal, Ms. Nidhi Tewari administered the oath of allegiance to the newly appointed Student Council, who swore to serve their school with utmost sincerity and to the best of their abilities.



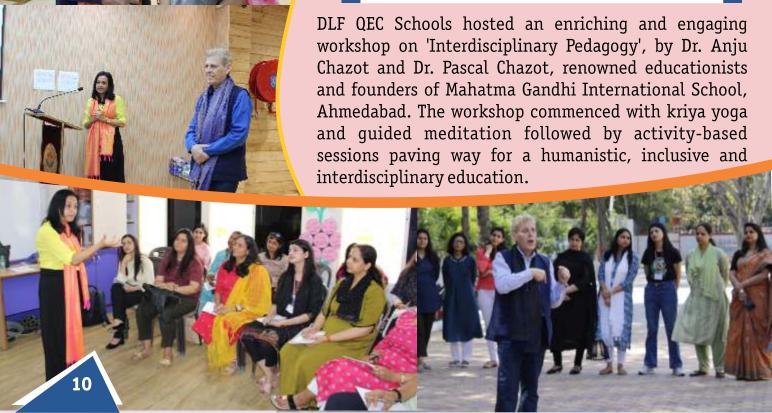
### **SCIENCE WEEK**

The students of Early Years primary and middle school celebrated the Science Week with innovation and creativity. It was an initiative undertaken to make the students understand the importance of Science in daily lives in a fun and interesting manner.

The entire week witnessed student engagement through simple activities and experiments with balloons, straws, windmills, etc which encouraged them to understand the air properties, the direction, space and air pressure. It was a great learning experience for all the students.



# WORKSHOP ON 'INTERDISCIPLINARY PEDAGOGY'





# CAREER COUNSELLING SESSION

INOMI, a reputed career guidance and college counselling organisation that has collaborated with RVS conducted a session apprising the students and parents about career options and choosing a suitable career path with courses available at universities in India and abroad.

'and Students' Trainer, author of several books, Dr Vikas Vijay, conducted a workshop for Commerce students of Grades XI and Grade XII on 31st January 2023 at the Hall of Celebrations. He apprised the students with the success formula including understanding, clarity, direction, speed and review. He discussed CBSE questions in Accounts and the strategy to answer questions in accordance with the changes in the Grade XII syllabus. Felicitated with the Mentor of the Month Award by Amazon Book Bazar, Dr Vijay's tips for the exams were much appreciated by the students.

### SEWA VALEDICTORY CEREMONY

Parents of Grade XII were invited to witness the SEWA Valedictory Ceremony at the HOC. At the function, presided over by Dr Ameeta Mulla Wattal, Chairperson and Executive Director, DLF QEC Schools, the students showcased their experiences at community service activities they undertook in that month including literacy drive and visit to Salaam Baalak and Earth Saviours Foundation. It culminated with a nukkad natak on women empowerment.





# GRADUATION CEREMONY FOR GRADE V

A new school year means new beginnings, new adventure, new friendships, and new challenges. The slate is clean, and anything can happen. Students of

Grade IV organized Graduation Ceremony for Grade V as they stood on the threshold of a

new journey. It was a proud moment for them to wear their graduation caps. Class representatives shared some of their fondest memories and secrets too. Grade IV presented a motivational song and an act. Principal, Mrs. Nidhi Tewari congratulated and motivated them to keep persevering and achieving their goals.







### MAKE A DIFFERENCE WEEK

Make A Difference Week or M.A.D Week was certainly a cognitively equipping and intellectually stimulating experience for all the learners at DLF QEC Innovative School, Ridge Valley. A plethora of activities and workshops were organised from 16<sup>th</sup> March to 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 2023 to nurture the aware, skilled and discerning individuals of tomorrow.





### WE-CARE (WELL-BEING WORKSHOP)

In an effective classroom, children should not only read books but also follow rules. Rules enable the learners to be diligent and make them alert. A well-being workshop for the students of grades I and II was conducted by the special educators and mentors to teach the students, proper and safe way to act and interact in the classrooms.



### **ACCOLADES!**

Project 'Portable Solar Panel for Electric Vehicle' ideated by Rishaan Sahgal of Grade VIII and Project 'Piezoelectric Panel' to produce electricity in a sustainable way ideated by Parangad Datta of Grade X were selected in the Manak Inspire Awards 2022-23, organized by the Department of Science and Technology. The projects received immense appreciation and garnered them cash prizes of Rs. 10,000 each along with Certificates of Merit.







Saina Sarin of Class VIII qualified the District Level of National Debate Competition and participated at the State Level of the National Debate Competition 2023 organized by the Bal Education Trust.







**Raghav Khanna** and **Ishaan Kurien** of Grade X secured second position amongst the students of 25 leading schools across the country in the Young Innovators Program organised by IIT Kharagpur. They presented their projects in front of distinguished researchers and guests and showcased confidence with academic excellence. They were awarded with a whooping Rs 30,000 cash prize along with the First Runner-up Trophy and Certificates of Merit.





### **OUR AUSTRALIAN CONNECT**

Ms. Neelu Singh of Ridge Valley School was recognized for completing the India-Australia VETConnect Program 2022. She was awarded by the Honourable Australian Minister of Education, Mr. Jason Clare, MP, in the presence of our Chairperson Dr. Ameeta Mulla Wattal and Principal, Mrs Nidhi Tewari.



### **FAP NATIONAL AWARD'2022**

Ridge Valley School received the Best School Award in the Digital Category at the FAP National Awards 2022. The school secured an A+ grade and was honoured by the Federation of Private Schools in the special ceremony attended by the members of schools across the nation.





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