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THE GOENKAN CHRONICLE

Sculpting Tomorrow's Legacy



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



Dear Readers...

Aristotle once said, "We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, then, is not an act, but a habit."

As we embark on the educational journey of 2024, I am grateful to all the parents for their resolute in GD Goenka Baramulla. I must appreciate their support and keen involvement in all our endeavors. I am very proud to be the principal of this wonderful school. I feel honored and privileged to be part of an educational institution where every stakeholder is a learner and every day is an opportunity to learn and discover.

Our commitment is to instill skills, mindset and qualities that will equip a child with lifelong values and continued success. We believe in upholding high standards with an absolute commitment to strive and improve the educational process, using team strategies, while wholly centering on student achievement.

G.D. Goenka Baramulla is on the brink of monumental success and with the continued efforts of our dedicated faculty, enthusiastic students, and supportive parents, we are confident in our journey to elevate the teaching-learning quality to national standards of merit. Our school is envisioned to provide quality education within an environment that is caring and stimulating.

Innovation is the bedrock of GD Goenka. We strive to embrace the latest advancements in technology and foster student development, ensuring that our learners are very well prepared for the future. Believing firmly in the holistic development of students, we see our teachers not just as instructors but facilitators and mentors who guide and nurture our young learners beyond the classroom. We are committed to improve the learning quality and encourage excellence in co-curricular and sports activities.

At G.D. Goenka Baramulla, we are dedicated to creating a nurturing yet challenging atmosphere that encourages innovation and growth. We believe that with collective determination and unwavering dedication, we will continue to make significant strides in education, setting new benchmarks for excellence.

Best Regards,

Sartaj Mir

DATE: 05 APRIL 2024

PARENT ORIENTATION PROGRAM

When families actively participate in the education of their children, it creates a positive and supportive environment for holistic growth and significantly enhances their potential, fostering a right attitude and exemplary behavior. In line with the concept of tripolar process, GD Goenka Baramulla organized a two-day Orientation Program for the parents and guardians of new students. This initiative, filled with renewed enthusiasm, aimed to forge a strong partnership with parents, recognizing them as essential stakeholders in our mission for holistic education. During the program, parents were introduced to the curriculum, school rules, teaching methodologies, and the enriching co-scholastic activities that are central to Goenkan Pursuits. This engagement ensured that parents are actively involved and aligned with our educational objectives, furthering GD Goenka's dedication in creating a supportive environment that nurtures student potential and guide them towards holistic development.



DATE: 07 APRIL 2024

LAILATUL QADR CELEBRATIONS

GD Goenka Baramulla commemorated Lailatul Qadr with solemnity and joy, honoring its significance in the Islamic calendar. Students enthusiastically participated in naat and qiraat competition, where they not only showcased their talent but also deepened their understanding of the profound importance of Lailatul Qadr. The teacher guidance further emphasized the significance of Lailatul Qadr, ensuring a meaningful and enriching experience for all involved. Highlighting the values of unity and community, the Lailatul Qadr celebrations at GD Goenka exemplifies our commitment to cultural inclusivity and spiritual enrichment. Such events not only strengthen religious awareness but also promote harmony and mutual respect among students of diverse backgrounds.

DATE: 22 APRIL 2024

EARTH DAY CELEBRATION

Highlighting the commitment to environmental awareness and sustainability, G D Goenka celebrated earth day with convection and enthusiasm. Held on 22nd April annually, Earth Day serves as a global reminder of the importance of protecting our planet and promoting eco-friendly practices. Students at GD Goenka actively participated in various eco-friendly activities throughout the day. They engaged in tree planting initiatives, promoting green spaces within the school campus. Additionally, students took part in educational workshops and presentations focused on environmental conservation and climate action. These activities not only educated students but also inspired them to take positive actions towards a greener future. Reflecting on the Earth Day celebrations, GD Goenka remains steadfast in its commitment to instill values of environmental responsibility and sustainability in students through engaging in activities. The school aims to inspire and empower students to make impactful contributions towards fostering a healthier planet for future generations.

DATE: 01 MAY 2024

LABOURS DAY CELEBRATION

"All labor that uplifts humanity has dignity and importance and should be undertaken with painstaking excellence." - Martin Luther King Jr.

Globally observed on May 1st as **"May Day"**, Labours day is an opportunity to honour workers and labourers worldwide, recognizing their invaluable contributions in growth and development of society and the nation. Labour's Day at GD Goenka Baramulla was marked with profound respect and gratitude towards the labour force. The day began with a touching tribute from the kindergarten students, who dressed as labourers and presented handmade cards to the support staff. This gesture not only showcased their appreciation but also instilled in them the importance of recognizing and respecting the efforts of those who support the school community behind the scenes. The primary wing of the school continued the celebrations with various performances and a skit that highlighted the significance of the labour class in our lives. Through these creative expressions, students portrayed the vital roles that labourers play across different sectors, emphasizing their contributions to society's functioning and well-being.



DATE: 22 MAY 2024

MOTHERS DAY CELEBRATION

"Behind all your stories is always your mother's story, because hers is where yours begin." - Mitch Albom

Mother's Day at GD Goenka Baramulla was a joyous occasion filled with heartfelt tributes and sincere expressions of gratitude towards the mothers who play an indispensable role in our lives. This special day, celebrated with enthusiasm and fervor, aimed to honour and recognize the selfless efforts of mothers in nurturing and shaping the future of their children. The day was filled with touching tributes from the students to their mothers, expressed through various cultural performances. Each performance was a heartfelt thank you to the mothers for every single effort made in nurturing and supporting their kids. The atmosphere at the school was emotional and heartwarming as tears of joy flowed among mothers witnessing their children express gratitude and love. The event not only celebrated mothers but also reinforced the deep bond between children and their mothers, showcasing the importance of maternal love and support in every child's life.

As we reflect on the significance of Mother's Day, GD Goenka remains committed to celebrating and honoring mothers not just on this special day, but continually, ensuring they feel cherished and valued for their invaluable contributions to their families and the community.

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DATE: 01 JUNE 2024

SHORT TREK : MONTANE ECO PARK

On June 1st 2024, students of Grade II were taken to Montane Eco Park for one day short trek. Nestled within the Kamraj Forest Division, this park has one of the adventurous trekking trail, " **The Butterfly Trekking Trail** ". This picturesque trail offers a unique opportunity for young learners and explorers to immerse themselves in nature's wonders. Accompanied by the forest officers and experienced guides, the children embarked on a short trek along the Butterfly Trek Trail, known for its diverse flora and fauna. The trek provided not only a physical adventure but also served as a hands-on learning experience. Teachers engaged the students in interactive sessions about the ecosystem, highlighting the importance of biodiversity and conservation efforts.

GD Goenka's initiative to expose young minds to such outdoor experiences aligns with its commitment to holistic education. By exposing students to outdoor adventures, the school aims to nurture a sense of environmental responsibility and instill a lifelong love for nature. Such outings not only complement classroom learning but also nurture a sense of responsibility towards preserving our natural heritage.



DATE: 04 AND 05 JUNE 2024

SCHOOL INSPECTION, ACADEMIC AUDIT AND TEACHER TRAINING BY GD GOENKA GROUP, NEW DELHI

Learn - Unlearn - Relearn

In a significant stride towards enhancing educational standards of GD Goenka Baramulla, a comprehensive School Inspection, Academic Audit, and Teacher Training workshop was conducted by GDG Head Office, Delhi on 04 & 05 June 2024. This initiative was aimed at refining teaching methodologies and academic rigor. The day commenced with a thorough school inspection, providing valuable insights into current practices and areas for enhancement. A key highlight of this event was the teacher training workshop, wherein the experts from GDG Group Delhi engaged in productive discussions with the faculty. The guidance and insights shared by the experts provided teachers with innovative strategies to create a more engaging and effective learning experience for the students.

GD Goenka's commitment to excellence and continuous improvement is visible in such endeavors, ensuring that the highest quality of education is received by our students.

DATE: 11 AND 14 JUNE 2024

EDUCATIONAL OUTING PRE-PRIMARY WING

GD Goenka Baramulla organized enriching educational outings for its Nursery, Junior KG, Senior KG, and Grade 1 students. These outings were strategically planned to Manasbal Lake for the younger ones and to Tangmarg for the older kids. For the Nursery and Junior KG students, the day spent at Manasbal Lake was filled with exploration and discovery. Surrounded by the natural beauty of the lake, the children engaged in activities that stimulated their curiosity and encouraged sensory exploration. Meanwhile, Senior KG and Grade 1 students at Tangmarg delved into nature's wonders through guided nature walks and hands-on learning experiences. These outdoor experiences play a crucial role in the holistic development of young children. They provide opportunities for hands-on learning, foster a connection with nature, and promote social skills through group activities and shared experiences. GD Goenka Baramulla recognizes the significance of such outings in shaping well-rounded individuals. Through these initiatives, the school aims to nurture a sense of wonder, curiosity, and environmental stewardship among its youngest learners.



DATE: 21 JUNE 2024

HIGHER - STRONGER - BRIGHTER

INTERNATIONAL YOGA DAY

In collaboration with the District Sports Council Baramulla, GD Goenka celebrated International Yoga Day under the theme "Yoga for Self and Society," embodying a dedication to holistic well-being and community enrichment. Students from grade 3 to 8 gathered in the school hall to participate in yoga sessions led by trained instructors. Guided by the principles of balance and mindfulness, students engaged in various yoga asanas, focusing on flexibility, strength, and relaxation techniques. The exercises not only enhanced their physical agility but also instilled a sense of calmness and inner peace.

As GD Goenka Baramulla continues its commitment to holistic education, events like International Yoga Day underscore the school's role in nurturing well-rounded individuals. By integrating physical fitness with mental and emotional well-being, the school equips students with essential life skills that extend beyond the academic curriculum.



DATE: 27 JUNE 2024

EDUCATIONAL TOUR TO UNIVERSITY OF KASHMIR



GD Goenka Baramulla organized an enriching educational tour for students from Grade III to VIII to the prestigious University of Kashmir, Hazratbal. This carefully curated tour aimed to provide students with hands-on learning experiences and exposure to various academic disciplines. This enlightening tour encompassed visits to several key departments, including Department of Fine Arts and Music, Allama Iqbal Library, and Zoology department, gaining insights into diverse academic disciplines and cultural enrichment. Throughout the tour, students actively engaged with esteemed faculty members, exchanging ideas and perspectives that broadened their academic horizons. These interactions not only enriched their learning experience but also fostered a spirit of intellectual curiosity and scholarly ambition.



GD Goenka Group, founded by the progressive and visionary philanthropist Shri. Anjani Kumar Goenka, is a leading educational conglomerate dedicated to providing holistic, world-class education in India. The group operates an extensive network of preschools and K-12 schools across the country, offering a diverse range of curricula. Pioneering advancements in educational infrastructure, technology, pedagogy, and best practices, GD Goenka has created modern campuses with state-of-the-art facilities that inspire and nurture a dynamic learning environment.

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The Goenkan Chronicle is a quarterly newsletter of GD Goenka Baramulla. This newsletter is published with the objective of providing comprehensive insights into the school's learning and development initiatives so as to keep the parents abreast with the myriad activities and daily events within the institution.