PREFACE

Welcome back readers to the second edition of our biannual newsletter - SPARK!!!!

Here at APSB we constantly endeavour to create ignited young minds which is possible only because they hold the sparks. We bring to you the details of a fresh set of firebrand performances by our young achievers. Though we come to you at the end of the first term, we cannot but start without mentioning the superlative performances of our ‘sparklers’--the students who appeared for the Class X and XII Board Examinations in the academic year 2014-15. With excellent results of class XII and X, the students have blazed a trail. Their thumping performance inspires their juniors to follow in their footsteps and they have already started adding to the flame, their own ‘SPARK’.

So happy reading!!!!

FROM PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Unpinned by the mission of being a Centre of Excellence, we at APS Bolarum diligently work towards training our student’s body, mind and soul. With every session the school has grown multifold and has set numerous benchmarks in every sphere of education.

“Each new day is another chance to change your life”. A new session brings new hopes, new aspirations, new determination and new promises of better chances to scale new heights. The great results of our students who appeared for the class X and XII boards is our benchmark, which we aim to surpass and create new records.

Heartiest congratulations to all the parents of our achievers in the X and XII boards!

Our students have been shining in every arena with their outstanding performances. This was possible only with parents and management’s continuous support and trust in every step we took. We look forward for the same support and trust in the days to come as we aim at achieving the most remarkable results and holistic personality development of our students to make Every Child a Winner.

WELCOME

Maj Gen Sharabh Pachory VSM took over as the patron of APS Bolarum from 21st September 2015. Principal, staff and students take great pleasure in welcoming him.

Brig Ajay Mallik, Comdt 1EME Centre was accorded a warm welcome as the new chairman of the school on 20th July 2015.
UDAAN 2015

Miss Amtil Ahmed and Miss Himani Singh of Class XI have been selected for UDAAN project, an initiative taken by CBSE to provide free IIT coaching to meritorious girl students. Only 1000 girls all over India and across all educational boards get this opportunity.

HORLICKS WIZKIDS

On 11 August 2015, students of Army Public School Bolarum participated in Horlicks Wizkids 2015, South Asia’s largest inter School arts, literary and cultural fiesta. More than 80 prominent Schools participated in this event. This year APS Bolarum groomed 220 students to participate in various individual and group competitions organized at the event. Our students succeeded in getting recognition by winning various competitions in different categories held at the fiesta. Above all the students with their utmost discipline and best turn out marked a niche for themselves and made the School proud by bagging the trophy for SECOND BEST SCHOOL in twin cities.
VISITS BY DIGNITARIES

The following dignitaries visited the school:

1. Col (Retd) Balasubramaniyam (Addl Director Schools, AWES) - 13th July 2015
2. Brig Ajay Mallik (Comdt 1 EME Centre & Chairman APS Bolarum) - 10th August 2015
3. Brig Ajai Singh Negi (Deputy GOC Telangana & Andhra Sub Area) - 24th August 2015

These dignitaries inspected the school and were briefed by the Principal about the various developments of the school. They also interacted with staff and students of the School and wished them a great success ahead.

GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATION OF INDO-PAK WAR 1965

To mark the celebration of Golden Jubilee year of Indo-Pak war 1965, HQ Arty Centre along with AOC Centre conducted an awareness programme for the students of the school. An inspiring photo gallery was put by AOC Centre and a movie based on 1965 war was screened by HQ Arty Centre. Also on this occasion a session was conducted to motivate senior students to join the forces.

INDUSTAV 2015

Army Public School Bolarum had the wonderful opportunity to participate in Industav 2015 on 24th July 2015. Total 14 students participated in various 10 events like solo singing, mono acting, pot painting and poster making etc. Our School (team) students returned triumphant after having won 7 events out of 10. We grabbed first two positions in mono acting, two second positions in solo singing and three third positions in poster making, face painting and regional solo singing. 22 CBSE schools participated in this competition. It was indeed a memorable and informative experience. We look forward to the next year’s events with enthusiasm and a determination to bag many more prizes.

HANDSHAKE WITH MRS INDIA WORLDWIDE 2015 - MRS AMAN GREWAL

As part of the Morning Assembly special segment Mrs India Worldwide 2015 - Mrs Aman Grewal, was invited to the School for an interaction with students. Students were thrilled to meet her and asked her various questions. She truly inspired the students with her answers and the motivational talk she gave.
INVESTITURE CEREMONY

As we stepped on the threshold of a new session 2015-16, another council of young leaders came forward to shoulder their new responsibilities. The Investiture ceremony was held on 14 Aug 2015. Brig Ajay Mallik, the chief guest of the day, pipped the young leaders and handed over the school and house flags to the respective captains. A march past was held to mark the occasion. In his address, the Chief Guest Brig. Ajay Mallik appreciated the efforts by the school for providing opportunities to the students to take part in activities like these. He also congratulated the newly appointed school cabinet members for their preparedness to take responsibilities.

DAAN UTSAAV

As part of JOY OF GIVING WEEK the school celebrated DAAN UTSAV On 9th and 12th of Oct 2015. Staff and students generously donated rice and old reusable clothes on voluntary basis for an orphanage.

GREEN WALK

On 18 July 2015, 100 students of the school participated in Keep the City Clean and Green drive organized by MCEME, Secunderabad at Necklace road. Students walked a stretch of 5 Kms carrying placards and banners displaying slogans and messages urging people to keep city clean and green.

I LOVE CARTOON

The creative child has to learn to please the self by using talents and skills to meet the demands of competitive world. This can best be fostered by adopting an attitude of play and joy in creativity, by focusing on the creative process more than on the final product, by finding work that the child can love more than anything else. The Cartoon Network Channel conducted a Fun filled Learning session for primary classes which included activities like dance, quiz, song, elocution, cookery competitions etc. The session culminated with distribution of goodies to the students.
INDEPENDENCE DAY

The Independence Day was celebrated with zeal and fervour on 15 Aug 2015. The school Principal Mrs Smitha Govind hoisted the National flag to mark the event. A colourful bonanza of events was presented by the students consisting of speech, patriotic songs and dances. The school staff was dressed in the tricolour theme and the best dressed were given prizes.

TEACHER’S DAY

The Teachers’ Day was celebrated in the school with full zeal and enthusiasm. Students of class XII came dressed as teachers and took over the responsibility for the day. The day started with giving a tribute to Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan. A wonderful programme was put up by the students for their teachers. It was a day of delight for the teachers to see the talents of their students. Principal, Mrs Smitha Govind congratulated the teachers on the occasion.

ADMINISTRATIVE DAY

A machine can run efficiently only when all its components, however invisible, work together with optimum efficiency, so it is with a school wherein faculty is only the visible part. The smooth functioning of the school depends on the mostly invisible yet most important part that consists of the administrative staff. To facilitate the contribution of the administrative staff, the school celebrated Adm Day on 26 Sep 2015. On this occasion the teachers had put up an entertainment programme and conducted games to show their appreciation for their silent support system.
MORNING ASSEMBLIES

A good and effective morning assembly can make a positive contribution to a student’s self-development and also to the school ethos. It affirms the school identity and aspiration and we at APSB constantly work towards that goal. This year in senior wing we have included various new segments in the morning assembly such as ‘social impact’ through which any socially relevant issue is highlighted. ‘A Tale to Remember’ where a short story or an episode with an inspirational message is shared, and in ‘Handshake’ segment, achievers from different fields are introduced to students. In primary wing theme based weekly assembly is being conducted class wise which includes celebration of festivals especially national festivals where children depict eminent personalities like Mahatma Gandhi, Indira Gandhi, A.P.J Abdul kalam etc. Skit based on social themes are also conducted to help students understand and imbibe values.

HANGING LIBRARY

Reading is important as it develops the mind. The mind is a muscle and so it needs exercise. Understanding the written word is one way the mind grows in its ability. It is how we discover new things. Reading is fundamental in developing a good self image. What you become in the future will depend on the words you believe about yourself now. People, families, relationships, and even nations are built from words. Reading is important because words - spoken and written - are the building blocks of life. To encourage healthy reading habit and vocabulary in students hanging library was created in class IV D, with the help of the books donated by the Class teacher.

GIFTED CHILD

Raising a child with exceptional talents may be a blessing but it’s also a challenging task for parents and teachers. So how do you help your child reach his full potential, without overburdening him? These gifted children have a high need to explore the environment and enjoy new experiences. Hence as a pilot programme for the gifted child is introduced in class V for all subjects, which is held on every Wednesday, namely

- English - Ruskin Bond
- Hindi - Indradanush
- EVS - Kalam
- Math's - Ramanujam
SWATCH BHARAT

Children are the future of our country and if we inculcate the habit of cleanliness in them, we will enable the whole community and nation to achieve the purpose. To achieve this motive the School has started cleanliness campaign both inside and outside the campus. Staff and students of APSB enthusiastically participate in the Swatch Bharat Mission to achieve its motive.

COUNSELLING / WORKSHOPS

Counselling forms an integral part of school functioning. At APSB counselling not only aims at guiding and helping students and teachers in various spheres of life but also eliminating the stress element in the environment. The overall purpose is to develop a holistic personality of staff and students so that they can effectively handle the challenges of life.

COUNSELLING SESSIONS HELD DURING THE SESSION

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| 18.9.15| 3, 4, 5 Std Boy and girls Separately | Growing Up issues  | 1. Good touch bad touch  
2. Mannerism  
3. Body Language  
4. Security issues  
5. Code of Conduct | Mrs. Jyoti Tewari            | School Counsellor |
| 22.9.15| 1 & 2 Class | Infancy to Childhood                 | 1. Good touch bad touch  
2. Good Manners  
3. Home to School  
4. Sharing and caring  
5. Code of Conduct | Mrs. Jyoti Tewari            | School Counsellor |
| 23.9.15 & 29.9.15| Teachers & Students | Self Defence                          | Personal Safety & Security                                             | Mr. Varma, Rabindra Kumar    | Karate Trainer    |
| 9.10.15| 11 & 12 Boys Only | Career in Merchant Navy              | Lucrative career Option                                                | Ms. Nidhi, Mr. Harish        | Job Metre, Pune    |
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### ORIENTATION PROGRAMMES

Various Orientation programmes were held for Parents of classes I to XII in the first term. The programmes dealt with:

- Students wellbeing right from food, health and behavior.
- Continuous Comprehensive Evaluation.
- Academics Issues.
- How to cope with stress.
- Effective Parenting.

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### Upcoming EVENTS 2015

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