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ST. MARY'S SCHOOL, DWARKA

**“Don’t wait until the conditions are perfect to begin. Beginnings make perfect conditions.”**  
**-Alan Cohen**



A new journey always brings renewed hope, fresh aspirations and countless opportunities to learn, grow, and excel. It is a time to celebrate our accomplishments and look ahead with confidence and purpose, but also to reflect on how we can get better each day. As we move forward into another exciting academic session, I encourage every student to approach the academic year with discipline, perseverance, integrity and an eagerness to embrace new opportunities. Success can be truly measured not only by marks but by the values we uphold and the positive impact we create.

The collaboration between school and parents remains the cornerstone of a child's development. We earnestly request all parents to familiarise themselves with the School Almanac. It outlines the academic calendar, school policies, assessment schedules, and important events. Attending Parent-Teacher Meetings, Annual Day celebrations, orientation programmes and other significant school functions sends a powerful message of encouragement and affirmation to your child.

As we continue to strengthen this partnership, I would also like to address a few recurring requests by the parent community that have been brought to our attention. Suggestions such as installing air-conditioners in all classrooms require substantial financial investment. Powerful coolers have been installed in the corridors to alleviate the ensuing humidity of this rainy season. We seek your understanding that not every request, however well-intentioned, can be implemented. Another frequent request is to allow late arrival, early departure or exemptions from school hours for coaching classes or other personal engagements. We urge the parents to regard the school schedule as a priority and plan external commitments outside regular school hours. Also, requests to switch to online mode during the rainy season and consent to administer medicines for headaches and stomach-aches cannot be permitted.

Every effort is made to ensure that every aspect of the school is clean, well-maintained, and reflective of the high standards we strive to uphold. This includes maintaining certified safe drinking water and providing wholesome, nutritious meals in the canteen, upgrading sports facilities and introducing after-school music classes. Each initiative is designed to foster a safe, caring and enriching environment for students. We have extended our bus service to cover the Dwarka Expressway, making transportation more convenient for many families. Major school events are scheduled on Saturdays to ensure greater participation by the parents.

Emphasis must be laid on the consistent observance of school rules and values. Simple yet significant practices such as punctuality, wearing the prescribed school uniform, timely submission of assignments, maintaining discipline, and learning to articulate one's thoughts with clarity and confidence will go a long way.

I wish all our students, staff and parents a fulfilling, enriching and successful academic year ahead.

God bless.

Principal

## BLESSING CEREMONY

**15.04.26:** A solemn 'Blessing Ceremony' was organized in school.



## INVESTITURE CEREMONY

**02.05.26:** The Investiture Ceremony witnessed the induction of the Junior and Senior Student Council. The Chief Guest Capt. Ashish Dutta, Special Operations and Diving, Naval Headquarters and the Principal Mrs. Sheelu Mathew invested the leaders with their badges. Jasmine Kaur Gill was sworn in as the School Leader. The office bearers pledged to keep the welfare of the students their priority and to work for the betterment of the school. The Student Council then led the four houses in marching, symbolizing the roles and responsibilities that the newly elected leaders have been entrusted with.



## CBSE RESULTS

### CLASS XII 2025-26

Total number of students - 126

Number of students who secured the first division- 124

Total number of distinctions- 73

### TOPPERS

| Stream     | Name              | %    |
|------------|-------------------|------|
| Science    | Hansika Bhatti    | 93.6 |
|            | Devesh Haritash   | 93   |
|            | Simran            | 92.8 |
| Commerce   | Lal Krishna Jha   | 94.4 |
|            | Atharv Galav      | 91.2 |
|            | Kanishka Rastogi  | 89.2 |
|            | Atharv Kaushal    | 89.2 |
| Humanities | Nandini Bakshi    | 95.2 |
|            | Sharanya Bahuguna | 94.8 |
|            | Chhavi Sharma     | 93   |

### TOP SCORERS

| Subject    | Name              | Marks |
|------------|-------------------|-------|
| Psychology | Sharanya Bahuguna | 100   |

### CLASS X 2025-26

Total number of students - 183

Number of students who secured the first division- 147

Total number of distinctions- 94

### TOPPERS

| Name          | %    |
|---------------|------|
| Aarav Chhabra | 96.8 |
| Aarush Sharma | 96.8 |
| Pushkar Yadav | 96.8 |
| Srishti Jha   | 95.8 |

### TOP SCORERS

| Subject                 | Name             | Marks |
|-------------------------|------------------|-------|
| English                 | Aarav Chhabra    | 99    |
|                         | Disha Tokas      | 99    |
| Hindi                   | Snavya Bhatia    | 97    |
| Math                    | Aarav Chhabra    | 98    |
|                         | Pushkar Yadav    | 98    |
|                         | Srishti Jha      | 98    |
|                         | Pratham Dhasmana | 98    |
|                         | Divya Arora      | 98    |
| Science                 | Srishti Jha      | 99    |
| Social Science          | Aarush Sharma    | 100   |
| Artificial Intelligence | Umang Bansal     | 100   |

## LEADERSHIP CAMP

**16.5.26 -18.5.26:** St. Mary's School, Dwarka organised the Leadership Camp 2026–27 for the Student Council at the Snow Leopard Camp in Shivpuri, Rishikesh, amidst the scenic Shiwalik ranges overlooking the sacred River Ganga. The camp aimed to nurture leadership qualities through adventure, teamwork, reflection and experiential learning, offering students a valuable opportunity to step out of their comfort zones and grow together as confident and responsible leaders.



The session led by the trainers, Mr. Rajiv Sharma and Mr. Dipankar Das, highlighted that true leadership is rooted in vision, integrity, responsibility and teamwork. The sessions encouraged students to reflect on resilience, optimism and purpose, laying the foundation for the enriching experiences that followed.



Students enthusiastically participated in a range of thoughtfully designed activities including **Carpet Volleyball**, **Raft Building Challenge**, **River Rafting**, **Ziplining**, **Water Polo** and a **Cap Painting Session**.



Each activity brought with it unique learning experiences. The Leadership Camp 2026–27 concluded with a heartfelt reflection where students shared how the experience had shaped them and reflected on their key takeaways. They also expressed sincere gratitude to the Principal, Mrs. Sheelu Mathew, for giving them this wonderful opportunity at the beginning of their leadership journey.

## AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH

**08.04.26 - 30.04.26:** As part of its commitment to fostering an inclusive and compassionate learning environment, a series of thoughtfully planned activities were conducted to promote understanding, empathy, acceptance, and respect for neurodiversity.

The students of Std. I & II enthusiastically participated in the 'Colour the Spectrum' activity, creating beautiful rainbow displays that represented diversity and individuality.

The students of Std. III - V contributed to a vibrant 'Kindness Tree', expressing simple act of kindness that help build an inclusive community.

The students of Std. VI - VIII showcased their creativity through poster making and slogan writing on the themes 'Acceptance, Inclusion, and Celebrating Differences'.

The students of Std. IX - XII were engaged in reflective writing, sharing thoughtful perspectives on empathy and imagining the world through different experiences.

The students of Std. X participated in the innovative 'See the World Differently' photography activity, capturing photographs through unique sensory and visual perspectives to better appreciate how individuals with autism may perceive their surroundings.

40 students of Std. XII visited Ave Maria School, Aasmaan Section, where they interacted with children with autism through art, music, games and other engaging activities.

Facts about autism were shared daily during the morning assembly, helping the entire school community develop greater awareness and understanding.



The Autism Awareness initiative successfully inspired students to embrace diversity with open hearts and minds. Through these meaningful experiences, St. Mary's School reaffirmed its belief that an inclusive school is one where every child feels valued, respected and empowered to reach their fullest potential.

## CROSS COUNTRY RACE

**22.04.26:** The school organized a cross-country race for students of Std. VI - XII, which witnessed enthusiastic participation of a total of 684 students.



Result:

### Std. VI-VII

|                 |         |       |
|-----------------|---------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Trisha  | VII B |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Akshita | VII C |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Lavanya | VII A |

### Std. VIII - IX

|                 |             |        |         |        |
|-----------------|-------------|--------|---------|--------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Aarav Kumar | VIII C | Drishti | VIII E |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Abhinand    | VIII A | Nancy   | VIII E |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Varchasav   | VIII C | Saanvi  | VIII A |

### Std. X - XII

|                 |          |       |         |      |
|-----------------|----------|-------|---------|------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Kartikey | XI C  | Manasvi | X A  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Saransh  | XI D  | Chhavi  | XI D |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Saksham  | XII A | Navika  | X D  |

## BAGLESS DAY

**15.05.26:** A bagless day was celebrated for students of Std. I- V with the theme 'The Joys of Summer.' The day featured engaging hands-on activities, creative crafts, and experiential learning experiences that promoted creativity, teamwork, and critical thinking. The students participated in activities like prepping Summer Fruit Chaat, Salad Platter, and creatively presenting their platters to depict beautiful summer scenes.



A special **Storytelling Workshop by The Times of India** was also organised for the students of Std. III - V. The day concluded with Summer Vacation Assembly presented by Std. XII.

## VIDEO CONFERENCES

**05.05.26:** A video conference was held on the theme 'Peace and Security'. The participating schools were British Columbia Canadian (Egypt), SMP Progressive Bumi Shalawat (Indonesia) and Lubny European Academic Lyceum (Ukraine).



**13.05.26:** A video conference was organised on the theme 'Leadership'. The participating schools were Bali Islands School (Indonesia), independently registered students from Australia and India.



## STUDENT ORIENTATION PROGRAMMES

**22.04.26:** Daksh Kundu and Janvi Sharma (Std. VIII) attended an exclusive Masterclass on 'Life in Outer Space: Astrobiology & the Search for Life Beyond Earth' organized by SPACE India. The session was held at the American Center, New Delhi. The students explored fascinating concepts such as habitable zones, exoplanets, and the search for life beyond Earth.

**07.05.26:** Aarush Sharma and Umang Bansal (Std. XI) have been selected for the prestigious All India Asteroid Search Campaign (AIASC) 2026 organized by SPACE India in collaboration with IASC. The students attended an offline training workshop at Bal Bharati Public School, Old Rajinder Nagar.



**05.05.26 – 14.05.26:** 20 girl cadets of Std. IX attended the Combined Annual Training Camp (NCC) at the Parade Ground, Delhi Cantt. During the camp, the cadets underwent various training sessions on health and hygiene, leadership, self-defence, traffic control, social awareness, community development, civil affairs, and stress management. They also actively participated in several activities, including firing practice, yoga, drills, a blood donation camp, and cyber-crime awareness sessions.



**26.06.26:** Parin Gupta and Aaryan Verma of Std. IX along with Ms. Ritu Bhatia attended a Masterclass on the theme 'Adventures in Eclipse Chasing' at American Centre.



## EXCURSIONS AND TRIPS

**14.05.26:** Std. VI- Educational Trip - National Museum and Museum of Illusions.



## INTER HOUSE COMPETITIONS

### 17.04.26: Cheerleading

Theme: Celebrating Team Spirit and Strength

#### Std. III-V

- 1<sup>st</sup>: Shakti House  
2<sup>nd</sup>: Aastha House  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Shanti House



### 22.04.26: Kavita Vachan

Theme: नया दौर नए सपने

#### Std. IX– XII

- 1<sup>st</sup>: Shakti & Shanti House  
2<sup>nd</sup>: Aastha House  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Satya House



### 06.05.26: Comic Strip

Theme: Talking robots in School

#### Std. VI– VIII

- 1<sup>st</sup>: Aastha & Satya House  
2<sup>nd</sup>: Shanti House  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Shakti House



### 06.05.26: Quiz

Theme: Current Affairs

#### Std. IX - XII

- 1<sup>st</sup>: Aastha & Shakti House  
2<sup>nd</sup>: Shanti House  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Satya House



### 13.05.26: Art

Theme:

Std. I : My Dream House

Std. II : My Colourful Jungle

Std. III : My Eco-Friendly Surroundings

Std. IV : Indian Folk Art

Std. V : Silhouette Painting

Result:

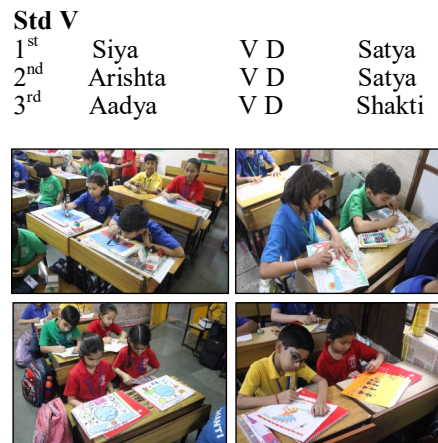
| Position        | Name   | Class | House  |
|-----------------|--------|-------|--------|
| <b>Std. I</b>   |        |       |        |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Maanvi | I A   | Aastha |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Amaira | I D   | Shanti |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Amaira | I E   | Shanti |

|                 |             |      |        |
|-----------------|-------------|------|--------|
| <b>Std II</b>   |             |      |        |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Aarushi Rai | II B | Satya  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Devansh     | II B | Shanti |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Aroshi      | II B | Shakti |

|                 |        |       |       |
|-----------------|--------|-------|-------|
| <b>Std III</b>  |        |       |       |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Aahana | III A | Satya |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Avni   | III B | Satya |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Vanya  | III D | Satya |

|                 |         |      |        |
|-----------------|---------|------|--------|
| <b>Std IV</b>   |         |      |        |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Navya   | IV A | Satya  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Amoha   | IV E | Shanti |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Varnika | IV C | Satya  |

|                 |         |     |        |
|-----------------|---------|-----|--------|
| <b>Std V</b>    |         |     |        |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Siya    | V D | Satya  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Arishta | V D | Satya  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Aadya   | V D | Shakti |



### 13.05.26: Dance

Theme: Tradition meets Western

#### Std. VI - XII

- 1<sup>st</sup>: Shakti House  
2<sup>nd</sup>: Shanti House  
3<sup>rd</sup>: Aastha House



## SPECIAL ASSEMBLY

15.05.26: Summer Vacation Assembly by Std. XII.

The assembly began on a melodious note with a captivating performance by the School band. Followed by a humorous skit highlighting the importance of self-acceptance and embracing one's individuality.

The day concluded with a dance performance brimming with energy, rhythm and vibrant expressions.



## FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES

13.04.26: Ms. Sonia Kapur attended a workshop on 'HPV Awareness and Sensitisation' at Government School in Sector-6, Dwarka.



18.04.26: Ms. Shikha Singh and Ms.

Priya Kaur attended a CBSE Sankalp Sahodaya workshop on 'Foundational Numeracy' at ITL Public School, Dwarka.



20.05.26: Ms. Purnima Dhalia and Ms. Anju Prakash attended the CBSE District Level Deliberation 2026–27 on 'Computational Thinking (CT) and Artificial Intelligence (AI)' held at ITL Public School, Dwarka.

