

Report on the Declamation Contest

Date: 5 February 2025

Topic: *Be a Buddy, Not a Bully*

An Inter-House Declamation Contest was successfully conducted on 5 February 2025 for Classes VI, VII and VIII students. Organized as an initiative by the Anti-Bullying Committee, the event aimed to sensitize students about the adverse effects of bullying and promote the values of kindness, empathy and respect among peers.

The theme of the contest, "*Be a Buddy, Not a Bully*," inspired participants to express their thoughts and strong messages against bullying. The participants delivered impactful speeches, emphasizing the importance of standing up for others, spreading kindness and fostering a safe and inclusive school environment.

To deepen the understanding of the topic, a thought-provoking video was also shown, shedding light on the emotional impact of bullying and encouraging students to become upstanders rather than bystanders.

The event was not just a competition but an endeavour to create a bully-free school environment, where every student feels safe, respected and valued. The enthusiastic participation and heartfelt speeches reflected the students' awareness and commitment to making a positive difference.

To conclude the event on a powerful note, all students and teachers united to take an anti-bullying pledge, reaffirming their commitment to creating a supportive and bully-free school environment.