# HIGH SPIRITS @ THE PINNACLE



'Tis the season to be jolly Pinnacle school siders, its finally that time of the year when the air gets crisp and even the Grinchiest of hearts can't help but feel a little warmer.. Christmas is here, you know what that means – assemblies, dramas, raffles, carols and of course a whole lot of holiday cheer. It's time to dive into the latest festive gossip. So grab your cocoa and settle in because Christmas in The Pinnacle School is anything but ordinary. Festivities



are nothing without their traditions. First up, you can't spell 'Christmas' here without the annual Christmas assembly. This just isn't any boring assembly, it brings loads of fun and excitement. When it comes to gift-giving, nothing brings out the competitive spirit quite like the school's Secret Santa tradition. But, don't expect the usual gift exchanges. Oh no, this is a battle of creativity and cunning. Who can out-do whom with the most thoughtful—or over-the-top

present? Then, there is the Christmas fest. These fests are such a vibe.

People sip on soft drinks and nibble on different kinds of street foods while discussing the latest gossip.

The raffle is always the highlight, the word is, that's when some people's luck decides to show up. Don't forget about the choir singing those merry carols. Nothing says "Merry Christmas" quite like these little traditions.

Gauri Dixit, IX-B



### CHILDREN'S DAY: A CELEBRATION OF LITTLE HEARTS AND BIG DREAMS



Children's day is a day we all look forward to for it spells unlimited fun and entertainment for the students. This year, the auspicious day of Gurupurab and Children's Day were celebrated with great joy and enthusiasm in our school. The assembly started with a group of students singing a beautiful shabad .After we had prayed to the almighty we began with the most entertaining Children's Day experience.

The assembly started with a delightful dance performance by a few teachers . Next in line was an extremely hilarious skit on common-life problems and their solutions in which the main character was Anurag Sir and also included other female teachers. Then came a fun, sing along activity conducted by Stephanie ma'am. Another enjoyable event was a stand-up comedy by Sudesh ma'am which had the students roaring with laughter.

This was followed by an energetic duet dance performed by our two beautiful English teachers. The next performance, personally my favourite was a brilliant stand up act by Atul Sir. This charming assembly was brought to a closure with a graceful dance performance by a group of female teachers. It was a great assembly and the icing on the cake was a half an hour long break that was given to the students to enjoy the day.

Aaira Rehman, IX-A

# IN THE WORLD OF STARTUPS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP, HOW IMPORTANT IS FORMAL EDUCATION?

When it comes to startups and entrepreneurship, the value of formal education is highly debated. After being exposed to the world of education for years (being in my final year of schooling), I've had time to consider how much of what we learn in school actually applies to the fast-paced, innovative world of startups.

Let's be real—education does offer valuable knowledge. It's similar to building a foundation of abilities for later use. When starting a business, it can be helpful to have an understanding of psychology, basic accounting, or even statistics.

One place where education really plays an important role is the amount of connections you get to make while being in the same environment as like-minded people. Schools and universities often have programs which helps one discover aspects of life that would be unknown unless experienced.



I have observed how group projects in schools can help develop a student's social skills which definitely is an important aspect when building startups.



One thing you learn from reading about entrepreneurs is that skills like problem solving and adaptability can be more important that just a degree. Entrepreneurs like Steve Jobs and Mark Zuckerberg also dropped out of college not because they felt that formal education wasn't valuable but because they felt that they could move faster without it.

In the startup world, things work at a faster pace. Entrepreneurs need to learn how to take educated risks, ability to learn quick rather than textbook knowledge and rote learning. However, I've realised that what we learn in school isn't always what makes the largest impact when it comes to working on your own business ideas.

So, is formal education important in today's time? I think it depends on what type of entrepreneur a person wants to become. If you're aiming for a highly specialised field like chemical engineering, formal education can be critical to build a base. If you're aiming for a lifestyle based startup or a service providing agency, the skills gained from experience can be just as valuable, if not more.

From my perspective, formal education is a tool. It can open doors, give a solid foundation and help you think critically. But, it isn't the only way to be an entrepreneur. The most important thing is to be adaptable and always be curious to learn new skills, whether in a classroom or out in the real world.

Anaya Misra , XII-B

#### A MODEL EXPERIENCE

One day, when my father was watching the news, my eye caught the headline 'The UN General Assembly'. I wondered what the UN was. He explained that it was an International organisation which helped countries solve disputes, problems faced worldwide or in a particular country.

Many months later I learnt that an MUN was taking place in which our school too was participating. My teacher asked me if I wanted to participate in it. I refused. However, after thinking about it for some time I thought of doing it. Although, I wasn't going to go into it unarmed. I decided to get as much information as I could about Model United Nations.

I learnt that it is the replica of the actual United Nations, in which children learn how all these big organizations work.

I, with the help of my teacher, registered for the MUN. There were several committees, all with different agendas, I chose the United Nations Development Programme, which worked on the Sustainable Development Goals achieved by different countries. After a few days we got the delegations of different countries upon which we had to find all the information of the given country on the chosen agenda. The delegation of the country which I got was New Zealand, which meant that I had to collect the information on how NZ had worked regarding the SDGs, its relations with other countries which helped it overcome the pandemic. Also, what its conditions was in comparison to other countries during and after the pandemic.

I actually learned more through the MUN than I could ever normally about any country. On the day of the MUN we went to The Ambience School. It was where the MUN

was to take place. It started with an opening speech and then we were sent to our respective rooms according to the chosen committee. It lasted for two days. It was so easy to understand how everything worked. Overall, it was an extremely pleasant experience. As a young learner and a student, I would like to suggest that at least once, one should try this out. I'd say the MUN is totally a must try for everybody.

Zafiaha Khan, IX-A



## FUN, FITNESS & TEAMWORK

The Pinnacle School's Sports Day was a resounding success, filled with thrilling races, exciting games and unbridled fun. The school's grounds were abuzz with energy as students and teachers gathered to celebrate the spirit of sportsmanship.

There were a series of electrifying races that had the crowd cheering. The students showcased their athletic prowess, competing in events such as the 100-meter dash and relay races. In addition to these the school also hosted a range of fun games and activities, including House Volley Ball and Basketball matches and Tug-of-War between class XI and XII students. The students' enthusiasm and teamwork were on full display, making the event a true celebration of school spirit.

The Sports Day was a wonderful opportunity for the students to bond with their peers, develop their physical skills and create unforgettable memories. As the day drew to a close, the school's grounds were filled with beaming smiles, laughter, and a sense of accomplishment.



