

## **CBSE State Level Adolescent Summit at the Kalyani School Pune – June 2023**

To commemorate India's G20 presidency and to showcase the aspects of Foundational Literacy and Numeracy and New Education Policy 2020, CBSE had organised a First Regional Level Adolescent Summit at The Kalyani School, Pune, 19th and 20th June 2023, supported by The Pune Sahodaya group. The Summit was inaugurated by the Chief Guest, Padma Shri Dr Mohan Agashe and senior CBSE officials. Dr. Joseph Emmanuel, Director, CBSE, Dr. Jitendra Nagpal, Programme Director, Expressions India, Ms. Deeksha Kalyani, Director, The Kalyani School, graced the occasion. Around 500 enthusiastic educationists were in the attendance.

Day 1 began with an inauguration of a vibrant School Health, Life Skills and Well-being Exhibition, showcasing the work done by the schools in promoting the key Co-Scholastic areas viz: life skills, mental health and wellbeing among the students. Physical education, and other allied areas, like gender equality, were also highlighted through the exhibition.

The educationists and students got an opportunity to listen to the keynote speaker, Padma Shri Dr. Mohan Agashe. He enumerated that learning happens when interest and intelligence go hand in hand and explained the importance of the language of sounds and images. He also emphasized that understanding the difference between good and evil, is an important contemporary life skill, and that spending quality time is an investment for mental health.

Later, the energetic student participants presented 'Nukkad Natak' on Contemporary subjects, like Energy Conservation, G20: Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam, and Health and Well-Being of School-going Children. Quizzard, The Adolescence Quiz, was conducted by Mr. Anansh Prasad from Skill Sphere.

Another highlight of the day was a Panel Discussion, on FLN: The Umbilical Cord of Holistic Development. Distinguish educationists Dr Anjali Gurjar, Ms Devika Nadig, Ms Mrinmayee Bhawe, Ms Nirmal Waddan and Lt. Col Prateek Yadav expressed their views on the topic. They reiterated the need for building foundational literacy and numeracy among the young children, who are the future of India.

Students were given an opportunity to express their creativity and artistic talents through NUPUR 2023, an Indian Classical / Western Music/ Songs representation, and they put up an enthralling show. Following this, Rhetorics, The Young Orators Championship was organized, where the participants expressed their views spontaneously, on a wide range of topics. The fruitful and enriching day ended with a mesmerizing musical performance by the students.

After the Invocation by The Kalyani School students, Day 2, Day 2 began with the 'Bharatiya Yuva Sansad: The National Youth Health & Wellbeing Parliament', facilitated by Team Expressions India. The discussion explored the unaddressed paths of teenage concerns, including the vulnerability to substance abuse, and it highlighted the role of peers in the path of reformation. This was followed by the interaction with Smt. Nidhi Chibber, Chairperson, CBSE, who underlined the idea behind the creation of the official apps that are engineered to inform and enrich learners and teachers alike.

The next session was 'Way Forward for NEP 2020 - Principals' & Directors' Workshop on Leadership in Pedagogy for Safe Schools of 21st Century India', which focussed on the objective-oriented measures undertaken by CBSE - SAFAL, Holistic Progress Card, SQAA, and others. Simultaneously, there was a session on 'Students & Counsellors - The Life Skills & Wellbeing Ambassadors for an Enriched Future', in the school's Multipurpose Hall. The session offered a space for these young minds, to address issues that remain brushed under the carpet. This workshop ended with a quick coaching on the process of CPR by Ms. Ashwini Gawde.

At the Centre for Performing Arts, on Day 2 another enlightening Panel Discussion was held on – 'School Safety in the Context of Behavioural and Emotional Wellbeing – Empowering Role of Adolescents & Educators as Agents of Change'. The panellists to grace the stage were eminent personalities from the field of psychiatry, like Ms. Geeta Mehrotra, Lt. Col. Dr. Prateek Yadav, and Ms. Aprajita Dixit. The final programme of the day was Mr. Shirish Sebastian's speech on 'Transformational Leadership,' which highlighted the evolving definition of leadership.

The two-day event aimed at the promotion of life skills and a culture of wellness and child health, by successfully addressing relevant concerns on mental health and behavioural issues.

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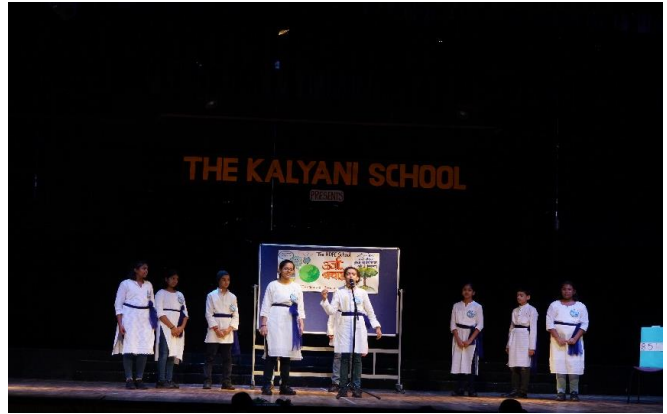


## School Health, Life Skills and Well-being Exhibition





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## The Young Orators Championship

