

MODERNITES NEWSLETTER



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July 2021

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Modernite,

When I got elected as the President of MSOSA at the end of November 2020, I didn't know what I was getting into. We had just held our first hybrid (online+ select invitees) event successfully on the front lawns of Modern School, the MSOSA Conclave and Excellence Awards. The situation on pandemic was getting better and it seemed like we could plan some physical events too. To say that we were excited would be an understatement.

However, our calendar for 2021 had to undergo a significant change as the country edged towards the second wave. The physical events like the Sports Carnival and Senior Modernites Dinner were postponed to the latter half of the year. The 1st Online Theatre Festival and MSOSA Conclave and Excellence Awards were scheduled in April. Also planned was the Heritage Walk in the school for the Class of '70 whose 50 year Reunion scheduled in April 2020 got deferred due to the pandemic.

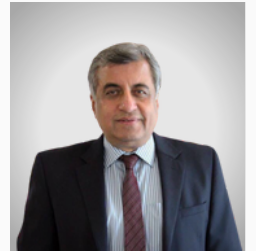
What transpired in April 2021 caught all of us by surprise. The second surge put paid to all our plans. All events, even the online ones, had to be postponed. The surge took a heavy toll on all including the Modernites family leaving us all devastated. I have never experienced so much distress in my life. The day would begin with an attempt to arrange a hospital bed, oxygen, medicine for friends and family. The bad news came thick and fast. We lost over 80 Modernites and other members of the Modern School fraternity in the two Covid waves. As a senior member of the Modernites family, it was an extremely difficult time for me. To show empathy to the affected families, we organized a Prayer Meeting on May 17th. We lost 2 senior members of the MSOSA team-Ashok Dhawan and Suresh Gupta. The loss will be felt forever. On behalf of MSOSA, I would like to communicate our deepest condolences to all the families who lost their loved ones during this period.

We have successfully launched a fund collection drive under the Gurupranam Initiative to support our retired and serving teachers during this challenging period. So far, two claims for medical expenses have been received from retired teachers and settled. I would request all the Modernites to contribute to this noble effort.

Going forward, we have planned some online events in the July-Sept quarter. Hopefully, once the situation improves we will organize the physical events in the October-December period. Until then, please stay safe and get vaccinated. Your and your family's well-being is of utmost importance.

God bless you!

Sunder Hemrajani
President
MSOSA



Sunder Hemrajani

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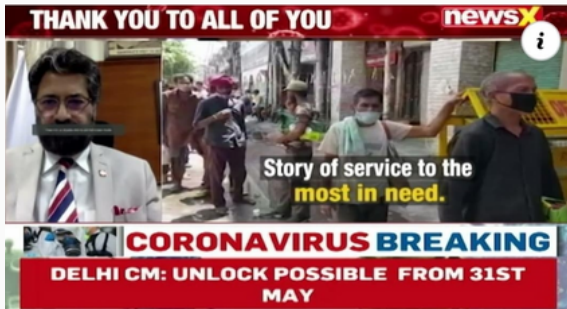
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NEWSFLASH

1. Modern School, Barakhamba Road commemorated it's 100th Founders Day in January 2021 virtually in 4 parts. On the occasion, Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi sent an inspirational letter. Shri Modi congratulated everyone associated with the school for ensuring holistic growth of its students.



2. Mrs. Nalini Singh Rajput has been appointed the Headmistress of Raghbir Singh Junior Modern School. She was given a warm welcome by the students and the teachers alike.



3. NewsX channel recognised the efforts of Modern School as the 2nd Wave Super Heroes for providing over 10K Meals to the needy. The food was cooked in the kitchen of the boarding house.

YOUTUBE.COM
NewsX Salutes 2nd Wave Superheroes | Modern School Provided 10K Meals To The Needy | NewsX

4. Justice Mukul Mudgal (Retd.) (1966) has again been elected Chairman of the newly formed FIFA Governance Audit & Compliance Committee.

5. Mr. Amitabh Kant's (1973) tenure has been extended by one year up to June 30, 2022, as the CEO of the prestigious NITI Aayog.

6. Dr. Rajeev Ahuja (1972) a Sr. Plastic Surgeon at Sir Ganga Ram Hospital successfully performed surgery on a 30 yr old with a rare condition of congenital fusion of the jaw joint.

7. The Delhi High Court conferred senior designation to Modernites Mr. Ajay Verma (1979), Mr. Sushil Salwan (1979), Mr. Viraj Datar (1988), Mr. Saurabh Kirpal (1989) & Mr. Satvik Varma (1992).

8. A webinar was conducted on 'Covid 19: Comorbidities' on June 17, 2021 by leading healthcare experts, including Dr. Naresh Trehan (1962) & Dr. Arvinder Singh Soin (1981). It was moderated by Mr. Ashwajit Singh (1980).

Executive Committee 2021

PRESIDENT Sunder Hemrajani	1972
VICE PRESIDENT Rohit Jain	1987
SECRETARY Puneet Raman	1985
JT. SECRETARY Ashish Jain	2001
TREASURER Manu Narang	1985

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

Suresh Gupta	1970
Atul Marwah	1980
Rohit Sethi	1984
Neeraj Chaudhari	1989
Aman Tandon	1993
Pratima Mittal	1995
Udit Arora	2005
Arunima Malik	2010
Jahnvi Sharma	2011
Dhruv Tuli	2018
Ruhanijot Kaur Bhasin	2020

EX-OFFICIO

Dr. Vijay Datta	
Mrs. Nalini Singh Rajput	
Vineet S. Sarin	1987
Vikas Mishra	1980

CO-OPTED MEMBERS

Dr. Arvind Lal	1965
Ravinder Taneja	1983
Amit Bhasin	1991
Daksha Jaidka	1993

SPECIAL PERMANENT INVITEES

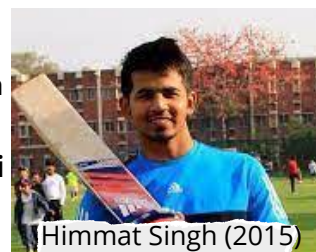
Lt. Gen Shankar Prasad	1959
S.D. Mudgil	1976
Ajay Verma	1979
Ashwajit Singh	1980
Chander M. Lall	1983
Sharat Prakash	1990

INVITEES

Jayshree Anand	1970
Roopak Kathpalia	1990
Divya Gupta Kotawala	1999
Juhi Garg	2002
Manushree Agarwal	2003
Abhimanyu Garg	2005
Aarti Ahuja	2009
Ishaan Verma	2010
Saksham Mittal	2019

NEWSFLASH

9. Mr. Himmat Singh (2015) represented as the vice-captain and Mr. Ayush Badoni (2016) represented as a team player of the Delhi Ranji Trophy Team 2021. The coveted championship was held between February 13, 2021, to March 3, 2021, by the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI).



Himmat Singh (2015)

10. Mr. Karan Sharma (2017), Mr. Madhav Kaushik (2016), Mr. Abhishek Goswami (2015) and Samarth Singh (2008) were selected to represent the U.P.team in Ranji Cricket Championship for the 'Vijay Hazare Trophy. Karan Sharma led the U.P.team as the Captain. Madhav Kaushik set new records during the tournament.



Ayush Badoni (2016)

11. The women-cricketers have displayed incredible talent. Ms. Neha Chillar (2014), Ms. Riya Sharma (2016), Ms. Mallika Khatri (2018), Ms. Pratika Rawal (2019) and Ms. Shweta Sehrawat (Student of S6) have been selected in the Delhi's Senior Ranji Trophy Women's Team in the 2020-2021 squad.

12. Mr. Chetan Khankriyal student of MSBK has been selected for India under 19 football camp to be held in Goa.

13. Dr. Ritu Nair Misra (1980) sent oximeters & medicines for over 1000 people in remote areas of Uttarkhand.

14. On the occasion of the Fruit Tree plantation drive at RSJMS, Mrs. Kamala Hemrajani, Mr. Sunder Hemrajani, President, MSOSA and Mr. Puneet Raman, Secretary, MSOSA planted trees at the Junior School on behalf of Modernites. Mrs. Nalini Singh Rajput, Headmistress RSJMS along with staff members were present at the occasion.

15. NewsX Channel recognized the contribution of 'Kitchen For Senior Citizen' under its series 2nd Wave Super Heroes. The co-founders Mr. Virender Bhiku Ram Jain (1969), Ms. Daksha Jaidka (1993), Ms. Pratima Mittal (1995), Mr. Sid Mewara (1995), Ms. Jahnavi Sharma (2011) and Ms. Ruhaniyot Bhasin (2020) were appreciated for their selfless work during the pandemic. Captain G's Burger Co. owned by Ms. Ishna Kapur (2006) prepares the meals for this noble cause.



QUEENS BIRTHDAY HONOUR

Mr. Sumit Goyal (1983) a consultant at Cardiff and the Vale University health board has been honoured with the Queens Birthday Honour list. The MBE award recognises his exceptional contribution to breast cancer services and the Cardiff Breast Center Charity.



BOOK LAUNCH

Mr. Sunder Hemrajani (1972) released his book Beyond the Mountains-Overcoming the Challenges Within on 6th March 2021. It talks about lessons for leading in crisis and why empathy is critical. <https://www.amazon.ca/-/fr/Sunder-Hemrajani/dp/9389934273>

SCHOOL CHRONICLES

THE PRESTIGIOUS DIANA AWARD

Aditya Dubey, 18, Modern School Barakhamba Road was recognised for his various environment campaigns such as Plant a Million Trees, Save River Yamuna and No Car Sundays. Started in 2016, his Plant A Million Trees Initiative has planted around two lakh trees in Delhi and Noida.

CEII OUTSTANDING

The Confederation of Educational Institutions of India recognised Modern School, Barakhamba Road as the "CEII Outstanding Instructional Leadership Excellence School 2020-2021"

HARIT UMANG

MSBK participated in a year long activity which concluded on June 5, 2021, "Harit Umang - Joy of Green", to preserve nature through lifestyle choices. The school won an award in every event & was declared overall winner amongst over 50 schools.

GURUPRANAM VISITS

Despite the ongoing pandemic, the teachers still stay close in our hearts. The Gurupranam Team works through the year to stay in touch with the teachers. A friendly phone call to find out about their well being to offering to connect the teachers to Modernites who can aid them. The long list of Gurupranam volunteers has ensured that the students, who owe their success to these teachers, can assist their teachers when they need them. The Gurupranam Visits were shifted to the online format to ensure that the tradition of visits continues undeterred by the pandemic.



Ms. Shanti Dhulia February 20, 2021

Mrs. Dhulia was a teacher at RSJMS between 1972 to 2000. The Virtual Gurupranam Visit was a new platform for her to share her experiences with us. The evening was all about her days in school. She has worked with all the stalwarts of RSJMS including Mr. Goel, Ms. Sachdeva, Ms. David and Ms. Geeta Dudeja. She fondly remembered those days and shared that it felt like one big family. She recounted her tenure at RSJMS with memories that enhance her spiritual outlook.

Today, settled in Dehradun, She is an active member of her local Satsang, living up to her message " **Zindagi ko seriously matlo**, enjoy the little things and whatever comes, take it in your stride. There has to be some spirituality to remain grounded ". In addition to students, many retired teachers joined the evening to relive the school times and share their experiences with Ms. Shanti Dhulia.

- Aarti Ahuja (2009)

Ms. Veronica Shearer February 26, 2021,

It was an evening spent going down memory lane and recounting the Junior School days.

A mischievous insight into the ongoings of the teacher's room that left all in splits. Ma'am defined RSJMS as a home where you found a family in your colleagues who not only shared a vision for the school and the students but also shared tremendous love and respect for each other that saw them through even the most challenging times.



Several Retired teachers joined the evening that made the evening even more memorable. "God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change the things I can, and wisdom to know the difference"- with these words Veronica ma'am gave us some pearls of wisdom.

Veronica Ma'am now lives in the UK with her husband, spends her time teaching and counselling people, and supports her church in various activities.

MSOSA is honoured to have spent this beautiful virtual evening with ma'am! - Daksha Jaidka (1993)

GURUPRANAM VISITS



Ms. Swaraj Mehta March 27, 2021

The Gurupranam Virtual Visit was graced by Ms. Swaraj Mehta who taught at RSJMS between 1970-2008. She later extended her service to the Modern School, Kundli Branch. A disciplinarian and organizer par excellence the role to correct and teach the children the valuable lesson of discipline often fell upon her, a role she played admirably. She earned tremendous respect from her fellow teachers who couldn't stop praising her, especially about her organizational skill.

She was fondly known as the Kiran Bedi of the school for her sheer strength and power to steer any situation successfully. She shared her memories and her secret to success - 'Embracing Change and accepting students as they are'. She enjoys her retirement in Delhi with her family and writing Hindi poetry. To her students, she emphasized the importance of the Hindi language as that is our identity and one that we must take pride in.

- Aarti Ahuja (2009)

GURUPRANAM Medical Aid Initiative

Let us together support those who have been our Mentors and Guides

In an attempt to give back to the community to whom we owe our success, MSOSA has undertaken the task of assisting the Teachers in times of their need through the highly appreciated program - Gurupranam Medical Aid Initiative,

Under this initiative, MSOSA and The Modernites Trust support retired teachers of Modern School, Barakhamba Road and Raghbir Singh Junior Modern School, Humayun Road. Given the COVID-19 pandemic, MSOSA has decided to extend this initiative for all present teachers of the schools, by reimbursing a part of the Covid related medical expenses incurred by them beyond the insurance cover.

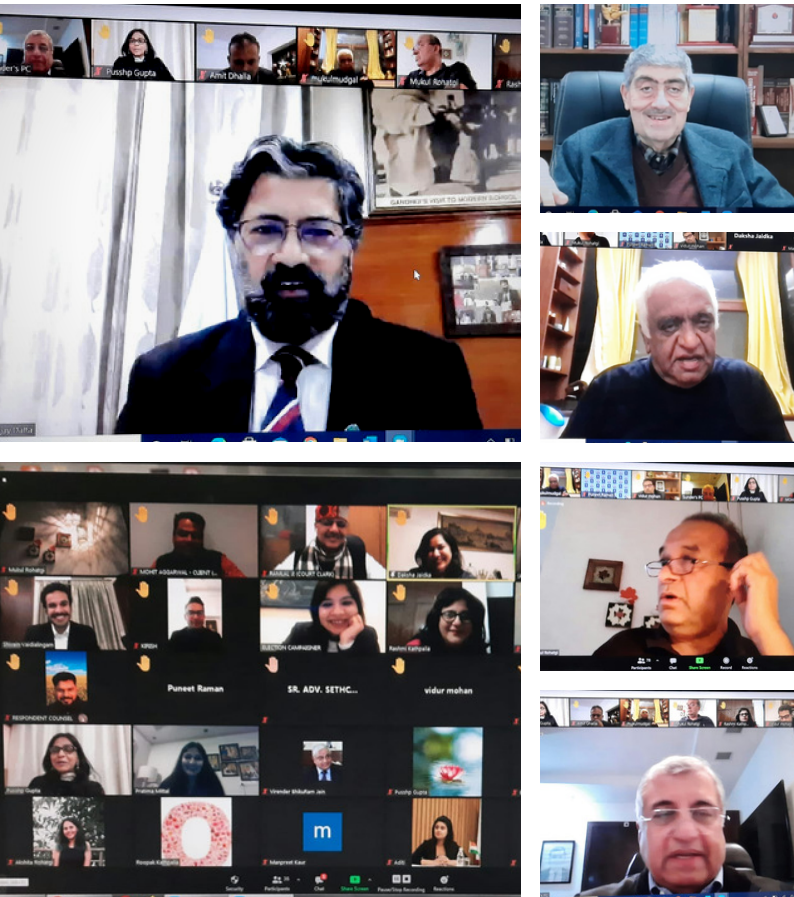
The teachers are being apprised of this ongoing process and assisted to complete relevant forms and supply details to ensure that help is provided at the earliest. The Initiative is ably lead by the Former President MSOSA - Mr. Vineet S. Sarin who has ensured that aid is expedited.

An Appeal

MSOSA appeals to all Modernites to support the Gurupranam Medical Aid Initiative that will allow us to assist teachers in need. The ongoing pandemic has plundered all our lives, the teachers too have faced incredible loss and some face difficult times ahead. We have lost teachers and their loved ones to the pandemic. As the Modern School Family, it is time that we stand by those who helped lay a strong foundation that holds us in good stead.

For further details and to donate to this noble cause please contact Mr. Puneet Raman, Secretary MSOSA by writing to secretary@msosa.com

ZOOM DHAMAKA



LEGAL FRATERNITY SPECIAL JANUARY 24, 2021

The Lawyer's Fraternity Special Evening was an opportunity for this mighty group to connect virtually to celebrate and recognise the impact that Modernites have in the field of law. The Guests of Honour for the evening were: Hon'ble Justice Sanjay Kishan Kaul, Supreme Court Of India, Hon'ble Justice (Retd.) Mukul Mudgal, Delhi High Court Former Chief Justice, Punjab and Haryana High Court and Mr. Mukul Rohtagi, Senior Advocate, Supreme Court Of India, Former Attorney General of India. More than 100 members of the legal Fraternity joined the evening and enjoyed some of the artistic talents showcased members.

Dr. Vijay Datta, Principal Modern School addressed the evening and congratulated the group on their various achievements. Mr. Sunder Hemrajani, President MSOSA welcomed the legal fraternity on this dynamic platform. Rendition of poem 'Madhushala' by Hon'ble Justice Sanjay Kishan Kaul left the audience spellbound. The legal eagles recited poetry, sang songs and even showcased a skit titled- Item number 1.

- Jahnvi Sharma (2011)

LEGACY OF PRIDE JANUARY 26, 2021

MODERN SCHOOL ARMED FORCES FRATERNITY

While we look forward to a physical evening with the most decorated group of the school - The Armed Force Fraternity of Modern School, the unprecedented time does not allow one. Notwithstanding, MSOSA organized the online event on Republic Day where the folder- 'Legacy of Pride', painstakingly put together with information on the members of this glorious group, was released. Over 150 officers attended the evening and marvelled at the collective achievement of the group. Lt Gen A.S. Kalkat, SYSM, PYSM, AVSM, VSM addressed the evening. Brigadier (Hon.) Dr Arvind Lal's admiration and respect for Lt. Gen Kalkat was apparent in every word as he introduced him. Lt. Gen Shankar Prasad, PVSM, VSM joined to congratulate the celebrated group. The folder- Legacy of Pride carries information of over 150 retired officers and is in progress to add any further information received. MSOSA is grateful to Air Marshal Bhojwani, PVSM, AVSM, VSM, M-in-D, who lent his valuable suggestions to complete this herculean task.

- Pratima Jain Mittal (1995)



PRAYER MEETING

May 17, 2021

Remembering those who now walk amongst the angels!

Last year has been devastating worldwide. The Modern School Family too came face to face with the tragic loss of its family members, each leaving a void in the lives of the loved ones. Each news increasing the grief of this well-knit family exponentially. In these times we all stood beside each other, holding hands and sharing the grief. As we paid our respects to the departed souls, it was also an attempt to conform to the extended family that we all stand by each other.

More than 800 Modern School Family members from across the globe, attended the Prayer meeting, each teary-eyed and praying for the collective loss. Ms. Sawani Mudgal (Class of 2000), a dynamic vocalist trained in Hindustani Classical music lent the evening its tranquillity through her music. Mr. Sunder Hemrajani, President MSOSA reassured the families that MSOSA will assist them in every way possible to help them deal with the loss. The Gurupranam Medical Aid initiative was announced for the retired and present Teachers of Modern School. The MSOSA Prayer meeting included the news of the demise of all the Modernites and Teachers whose information was shared until May 17, 2021.

We pray for all the departed souls of the Modern School Family. They will forever remain in our hearts. Om Shanti!

- Pratima Jain Mittal (1995)

Remembering

Name	Batch
Air Marshall Satish Chandar Lal	1943
Ms. Nalini (Kishore) Prasad	1943
Air Marshall Manmohan Singh	1946
Mr. Shivraj Gupta	1946
Lt. Col Girraj Vallabh Haldia	1948
Dr. Suresh C. Gupta	1949
Mr. S. P Dutt	1954
Brig. Shyam Prasad	1955
Ms. Jasbir J Singh	1956
Col. (Retd.) Sudhir C. Mathur	1956
Mr. Ashok Dhawan	1958
Mr. Rajat Dhanda	1958
Col. Ravindra Khera	1958
Mr. Vimal Mehta	1959
Mr. Hari Kapoor	1960
Ms. Jayshree (Dutt) Sengupta	1960
Mr. Rajindera Kumar	1960
Mr. Ramesh Sehgal	1962
Capt. Gajinder Singh Sahni	1963
Mr. Naresh Rajpal	1965
Mr. Devashish Roy Choudhury	1966
Mr. Inderjit Singh Narula	1966
Mr. Ajay Singh Chahar	1968
Mr. Sarabjit Singh Kochhar	1968
Mr. Ajit Singh Bawa	1970
Mr. Suresh Gupta	1970

Name	Batch
Mr. Anil Khurana	1971
Mr. Chandra Shekhar Malhotra	1971
Mr. Pradeep Gupta	1971
Mr. Rajiv Sahai	1971
Ms. Anuradha (Sharma) Vohra	1972
Dr. Devendra Jain	1972
Ms. Madhu (Katariya) Malik	1972
Mr. Arun Chandak	1974
Mr. Anil Mehta	1974
Mr. Lalit Singhal	1974
Mr. Rajiv Khanna	1974
Mr. Bikash Chandra	1975
Mr. Amoolya Kumar Sharma	1976
Mr. Rajiv Gupta	1976
Mr. Ravi Raj Khanna	1976
Dr. Aditya Vikram Shaunik	1976
Mr. Arvinder Singh Puri	1977
Mr. Ashwini Dewan	1977
Mr. Shamsher Rajan Chauhan	1977
Mr. Shashwat Mishra	1977
Mr. Lokesh Sood	1979
Mr. Vajrapani Singh	1979
Mr. Ankur Sharma	1980
Ms Deepa (Jain) Varshney	1980
Mr. Jaideep Chakraborty	1980
Mr. Praveen Khanna	1980
Mr. Vikram Lall	1981

Name	Batch
Lt. Col. Bishan Dutt	1981
Mr. Aditya Bir Singh	1984
Ms. Sabina (Jain) Bindal	1985
Ms. Simar Dugal	1986
Mr. Akshay Kumar	1987
Mr. Pankaj Bokolia	1987
Mr. Vineet Gupta	1987
Mr. Neeraj Mehra	1988
Mr. Rahul Chaudhary	1988
Ms. Sameera (Gopal) Kandru	1988
Mr. Tarun Talwar	1988
Mr. Sharad Sethia	1989
Capt. Gurpartap Singh Gill	1990
Mr. Pankaj Agarwal	1990
Mr. Sukhpreet Singh Nanda	1992
Mr. Souvik Ghosh	1993
Mr. Ashish Jain	1997
Mr. Aditya Nanda	1998
Ms. Kanika Pandit	2000
Ms. Namrata Chhatwani	2001
Mr. Parag Gupta	2002
Ms. Vasu Yadav	2004
Ms. Anushree (Jain) Gupta	2010
Ms. Sonakshi Bengani	2012
Mr. Aman Hans	2013
Ms. Kavya Narain	2015
Mr. Hardik Agarwal	2017

REMEMBERING

MR. ASHOK DHAWAN (CLASS OF 1958)



MSOSA organised a zoom meeting on June 25, 2021, to remember a highly respected and Former president MSOSA. An excellent athlete during school, he has left a rich legacy for the school. A celebrated Architect who has been instrumental to design and coordinate several Modern School Projects.

An engaging actor, Mr. Ashok Dhawan exhibited confidence and childlike mischief on stage, having participated in annual MSOSA plays since its inception in 1961. Friends & family attended the meeting which was a 'Celebration of Life'. The MSOSA team put together a video tribute showcasing his life and journey with Modern School. Amidst poems and music, a befitting tribute was given to Mr. Ashok Dhawan who will be missed by all those whose lives he touched.

- Daksha Jaidka (1993)

MR. SURESH GUPTA (CLASS OF 1970)

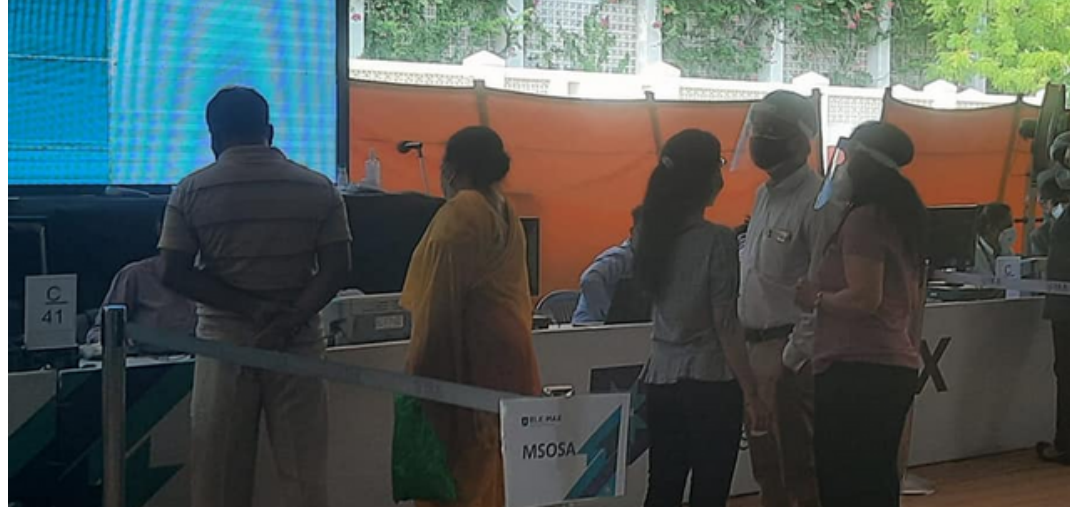


MSOSA organised a zoom meeting on May 28, 2021, to remember Mr. Suresh Gupta, a highly respected member of the Executive Committee. The online prayer meeting was an attempt to remember this wonderful human being who was ever smiling and forever eager to support MSOSA in all its endeavours and philanthropic activities.

The pride he felt in being a Modernite reflected in all his actions. Whatever be the occasion he would step up to help. He worked tirelessly to organise the Online Reunion for the Class of 1970 in 2020, a completely new concept that he managed to convince his batchmates to undertake.

The Prayer Meeting was attended by his family, friends and the Member of the EC MSOSA. Ms. Ruhaniyot Bhasin rendered soulful bhajans to make the evening special. MSOSA organised a short video tribute for him.

- Jahnvi Sharma (2011)



MSOSA VACCINATION DRIVE IN ASSOCIATION WITH BLK-MAX HOSPITAL

Venue: B L Kapur Max (BLK-RSSB)
Radha Soami Satsang Beas, Delhi
Date: June 4-5, 2021

MSOSA organised the Covid Vaccination drive to make available a facility to the Modern School family to get vaccinated against the deadly virus. Answering the call by the Government to the citizens to get vaccinated to fight the ongoing pandemic, MSOSA organised the drive to provide a solution. The vaccination drive was a welcome project at a time when booking the slots for vaccination was difficult. MSOSA booked the slots for the Modernites, Teachers, Students and their families encouraging them to get vaccinated.

BLK-MAX Hospital under the leadership of the Soi Family organised dedicated stands for MSOSA and made the Vaccination drive possible. MSOSA is grateful to Mr. Aditya Soi (Class of 1990), Director Patient Care and Mr. Abhay Soi (Class of 1991), Chairman at Max Healthcare for making this possible. The MSOSA Vaccination Drive was ably lead by Mr. Rohit Jain, Vice-President MSOSA and his efficient team.



GAURI SOI (1999), ADITYA SOI (CLASS OF 1990)
ABHAY SOI (CLASS OF 1991), TARUNA SOI (1999)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Class of 1971
Online Batch Reunion
JULY 2021

MSOSA
1st Online
Theatre Festival
AUGUST 2021

'Legacy of Pride'
Release of Final Folder
AUGUST 2021

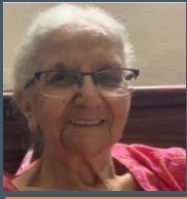
Gurupranam Online
Function
SEPTEMBER 2021

MSOSA
Excellence Award &
Conclave
OCTOBER 2021

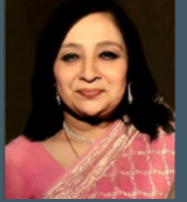
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Senior Modernites Dinner
NOVEMBER 2021

Dear Modernite,
MSOSA is in the process of updating the Modernites Directory. We request you to kindly fill up & submit
<https://forms.gle/mRMoUYB6WkH1bVoCA>
(in case of any changes since 2016)

Teacher's Obituaries



Ms. Kaushalya Vaid passed away on March 9, 2021. She taught at Modern School from 1964 to 1992.



Ms. Anuradha Vohra passed away on April 26, 2021. She taught at Raghubir Singh Junior Modern School.



Mr. Shiv Dutt Sharma passed away on May 7, 2021. He was the Badminton Coach at Modern School Barakhamba Road.



Ms. Shobhana Bhargava passed away in April 2021. She taught Chemistry at Modern School Barakhamba Road.



Ms. Satya Uberoi passed away on June 7, 2021. She taught at Junior Modern School and then at Barakhamba Road, where she taught English from 1965 until 1988.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEDDINGS

1. Navdeep Singh Sethi (2010) married Ekas Chabra on October 10, 2020.
2. Sumer Broota (2011) married Aparna on June 17, 2020.
3. Vishu Sehgal (2017) married Noor Gogia November 21, 2020.
4. Abhay Goyle (2013) married fellow Modernite Gaurika Narula (2017) on November 21, 2020.
5. Devansh Gupta (2011) married Astha Singh on November 30, 2020.
6. Pranav Kuckreja (2008) married Pritica on December 12, 2020.
7. Dhruv Pahwa (2010) married Shriya Sethi on December 12, 2020.
8. Aradhya Harshwardhan Singh (2011) married Sovina Chawla in December 2020.
9. Rishabh Chopra (2011) married batchmate Saloni Sharma (2011) in January 2021.
10. Anna Thadani (2015) married Sarovar Monga on February 16, 2021.

BIRTHS

1. Vidur Sodani (1992) & wife Vaideyhi were blessed with a baby girl in July 2020.
2. Avantika (Goel) Gupta (2007) & husband Aman were blessed with baby boy Aarin on September 5, 2020.
3. Vaibhav Sachdev (2010) & wife Ananya were blessed with baby girl Veera on October 7, 2020.
4. Hrithik Gandhi (1997) and wife Divya were blessed with baby girl Daanya on October 22, 2020.
5. Shiven Khanna (2007) & wife Ashna (Marwah) Khanna (2012) were blessed with baby boy Shivraj on 21st March 2021.
6. Vibhuti (Sharma) Lall (2007) & husband Raghav Lall (2007) were blessed with baby boy Vivaan on May 4, 2021.

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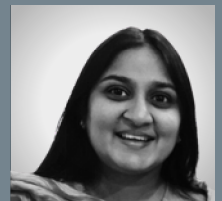
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EDITOR'S DESK

Pratima Jain Mittal



As the year began and I was given the responsibility of being the Editor of the MSOSA NEWSLETTER, my first thought was - What would I cover while everything is under lockdown?

Amongst all others, the year has taught me the power of adaptation and revealed the sustained courage of Modernites. We exhibit these qualities, no matter what the situation is. Far from giving up, we found new ways to connect with the Modernites. The online events have found a far greater audience and allowed us to connect with the Modernites all over the world. This newsletter is a tribute to the spirit of the Modernites who adapted and stayed connected with the Modern School.

As you have witnessed, we have nearly perfected the online event format and have used it to our advantage. As the editor, I have been intrigued with the journey. The platform may be different, the love for the school remains the same, as we all stood beside each other to overcome these difficult times. While we can't wait for the physical events to begin again, we find solace in knowing that you sit on the other side of the screen applauding and participating in all our efforts. I look forward to hearing from you. Please write to me at pratima@undirection.com

Until next time, Stay Safe!

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