# **FOOTPRINTS**

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# SHINING BRIGHT AT THE TIMES SCHOOL SURVEY 2023!

Homerton Grammar School tops Faridabad's Challengers charts













## A New Homerton Grammar School Awaits You!

Greetings everyone!

Hope you all had a wonderful festive season! I would like to welcome you to the next issue of 'Footprints' – a platform to keep you all informed about your school.

"Change is the only constant." And change happens for the better. Yes, at Homerton Grammar School, we are firm believers that change makes a way for something great. With that approach in mind, we integrate our past with our present to come up with a vision for the future. The result of which was an all new brand promise – 'Creating Tomorrow's Achievers Today'.

With that as a mission & vision, we are all set to break new grounds with an all-new Homerton 2.0. Now, you must be wondering what that is? We are gearing up to give our students and you – our patrons a modern version of Homerton Grammar School with an array of upgraded facilities – from classrooms to Science laboratories to IT labs to spacious corridors.

At Homerton Grammar School, we know it well that academic excellence can only be achieved by our students when they have the support of the necessary and modern infrastructure and facilities. That is why, through Homerton 2.0 we are bringing to our students modern classrooms that are fully air-conditioned, equipped with advanced audio-visual equipment & projectors, whiteboards and seamless wireless connection. Our laboratories for Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Mathematics and English are strategically designed to encourage our students to use the facilities and enhance their research, critical thinking & problem-solving skills. Not just that, we have dedicated a special area – Knowledge Café where students can easily access 20,000+ books of various genres. Our sprawling 2 acres area provides ample home for our vast playground where our students learn essential motor skills, teamwork, creativity, etc.

Our endeavour is to create a culture of dreaming big, nurturing, excelling and eventually being an achiever for our students. And in this, Homerton 2.0 has a very important role to play. With your support, I am sure we can reach newer heights in creating tomorrow's achievers today.



#### **Sports @Homerton Grammar School**

#### Instilling Real-life Values through Sports

Sports have always been an integral part of our ethos. It has the power to enrich lives and teach kids the importance of discipline, teamwork, leadership, time management and social skills. At Homerton Grammar School, we believe in integrating athletics with academics to create tomorrow's achievers today. We take our students on a sports journey right from their Pre-Nursery till their Senior School days.

## Start Early Right from Pre-Nursery (Age 2+)

We have collaborated with Australia's leading multi-sport programme – Ready Steady Go Kids to impart gross motor skills to students. Our sports curriculum includes cricket, hockey, football, athletics, etc.

### Forge Ahead in Kindergarten to Primary

Our students are introduced to taekwondo and gymnastics. In Grades 1-2, we focus on developing fundamental stamina. In Grades 3-4, we encourage them to participate in junior level championships.

## Rise and Shine in Middle to Senior School

We offer tailored physical training, dietary plans, sports counselling and Physical Education as a subject in Grades 11-12, for students to score remarkably well.

#### **Beyond School Hours**

At Homerton Grammar School, we provide afterschool academies for sports like badminton, table tennis, tennis and football.

## Community Building through Sports

We extend our sports and programmes to students, parents and a broader community to bond, interact, and enjoy the benefits of a healthy and active lifestyle.

## What's New @Homerton Grammar School

- Soft play area
- All weather swimming pool
- Upgraded international standard synthetic basketball and lawn tennis courts
- Cross fit gym

## Physical Education Department PRIMARY LEVEL



#### Ms. Karuna

B.P. Ed & M.P. Ed (Physical Education)

Specialises in training, yoga & gymnastics

Gold medallist from All India Yoga Sports Championship



#### Ms. Sonu Rathor

B.P. Ed Black Belt holder in 1 "DAN" Taekwondo

Recipient of numerous gold, silver and bronze medals from reputed competitions and institutes

#### MIDDLE TO SENIOR LEVEL



#### Mr. Manjit Singh

B.P. E, M.P. Ed & M.Phil (Physical Education)

Trained in Advance Fitness from New Delhi YMCA

Specialises in basketball, kabaddi, athletics, volleyball, and kho-kho



#### Mr. Jaipal Singh

Diploma in Electrical Engineering

Pursuing B.P. Ed & B.A.

Secured 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> positions in district and state ranking & participated in national level table tennis tournaments



#### Mr. Abhishek Tiwari

Badminton Coaches' Certificate Programme & Coach Education Programme (CEP) Examination in Badminton

Bachelor of Physical Education

Secured 1<sup>st</sup> position in the 53<sup>rd</sup> District Level Tournament in 2008

#### **Excellence in Sports: Our Achievements**



Fencing Haryana State Fencing Championship 2023-24



Harsh, Vansh, Anay

Table Tennis (U-19 Boys)
Inter School & Open District
Table Tennis Tournament



Ishika, Kashish, Tanishi

Table Tennis (U-19 Girls)
Inter School & Open District
Table Tennis Tournament



Table Tennis (U-17 Girls)
Inter School & Open District
Table Tennis Tournament



Harsh, Vansh, Anay

Table Tennis (U-19 Boys)
State Government Federation of
India (SGFI) District Level Tournament



Ishika, Kashish, Tanishi

**Table Tennis (U-17 Girls)**State Government Federation of India (SGFI) District Level Tournament



Gaurav, Chaitanya, Rudra, Lakshya

Badminton (U-19 Boys)
State Government Federation of India (SGFI) District Level Tournament



Ishika

Table Tennis (U-17 Girls)
State Government Federation of India (SGFI) State Level Tournament



Harsh

Table Tennis (U-19 Boys)
State Government Federation of India (SGFI) State Level Tournament



**Table Tennis (U-17 Girls)**Open Haryana Table
Tennis Tournament



Aarambh

**Karate** Inter School Shotokan Karate Championship 2023-24



Taveshi, Lavanya (Silver Medal) Shiv (Bronze Medal)

#### Tug of War

State Government Federation of India (SGFI) State Level Tournament

#### **Excellence in Sports: Our Achievements**



Dipshi, Aarohi, Kanak, Sifa, Prabhnoor, Kaamna, Twisha, Elisa, Aaradhya, Zara, Pavni, Chanchal

#### Hockey (U-14 Girls)

State Government Federation of India (SGFI) District Level Tournament



Ajit, Harsh, Ekjot, Rudra, Krishna, Gursher, Rudra, Junaid, Daksh, Nitesh, Mohd. Ayaan, Daksh, Manthan, Rajat, Parth, Shaurya, Gurnamat

#### Hockey (U-17 Boys)

State Government Federation of India (SGFI) District Level Tournament



Gursiman, Ayesha, Umaiza, Dhani, Suhani, Pratibha, Vanshika, Drishti, Vaishnavi, Gehna, Somiya, Ashpreet, Preeti

#### Hockey (U-19 Girls)

State Government Federation of India (SGFI) District Level Tournament



Aniruddha, Jaskirat, Lakshay, Aryan, Vivaan, Moksh, Aarav, Gurnamat, Shaurya, Parth, Shiv, Aneeketh, Yathaarth

#### Hockey (U-14 Boys)

State Government Federation of India (SGFI) District Level Tournament



Karan, Abhishek, Vikrant, Shivam, Keshav, Nishant, Angad, Kush, Saksham, Abhay, Aryan, Aayush



#### Kabaddi (U-17 Boys)

State Government Federation of India (SGFI) District Level Tournament



Tiya, Niharika, Aarohi, Dhani, Ritika, Nikita, Vanshika, Kanishka, Ruby, Prachi, Aditi



State Government Federation of India (SGFI) District Level Tournament





#### **Celebrations**

#### **@Homerton Grammar School**



Visit to Aaj Tak Studio

Class 12 students of Mass Media
Department visited the Aaj Tak, Noida
studio for the second time on July 7,
2023. At the studio, they interacted
with Ms. Anjana Om Kashyap, a
renowned anchor and editor of Aaj Tak
in an insightful session.

On July 19, students of Classes 11 & 12 participated in a CUET workshop, which was organised in collaboration with Career Launcher and conducted by Mr. Mukesh Kapoor, an esteemed educator. The workshop aimed at informing students about the exam details and



**CUET Workshop** 



Financial Literacy Workshop 2023

A workshop titled 'Money Matters' was organised on July 15, 2023 – World Youth Skills Day to train students on the importance of financial literacy. It was conducted by Mr. Ashish Garg, a T3 certified trainer from British



**Mental Health Session** 

On July 12, 2023, Senior School students delivered an inspiring assembly on 'Children's Mental Health' and addressed various mental issues through role plays.



**National Doctors' Day** 

A workshop with Dr. Nailah Khan, a renowned dentist was organised on July 3, 2023 for students of the Pre-Primary School to commemorate the National Doctors' Day. She spoke about dental hygiene, tips for teeth cleaning, healthy gums, etc.

As a part of Science Exploration Day, week-long celebrations were organised for the Primary and Middle School students during which they participated in various science experiments and educational activities.



Science Exploration Week



Visit to Delhi High Court
32 students from Classes
11 & 12 visited Delhi High
Court on August 1, 2023 to
gain experience on how
the judicial system of India
works. Students interacted
with a few lawyers and
learned about the different
kinds of courts, their
uniforms, etc.

A special assembly was organised by students of the Middle School on the occasion of Kargil Vijay Diwas – July 26, 2023. Students paid their respect to soldiers through song & dance performance and poster making.



**Kargil Vijay Diwas** 



#### **Investiture Ceremony**

On the occasion of International Youth Day – August 12, 2023, we held the 'Student Council Investiture Ceremony' for academic session of 2023-24. The theme for this important event was 'Leadership – Courage of Conviction'.



Independence Day Celebrated

A special assembly was planned on Independence Day. Celebrations commenced with the flag hoisting, singing of the national anthem, an elegant dance performance by Class 4 students and musical performances by the Middle School students.

#### **Celebrations**

#### **@Homerton Grammar School**



**World Photography Day** 

On World Photography Day, a 'Capture through Your Lens – Photography Contest' was organised from August 1-7, 2023. The theme for the contest was 'Education for the Underprivileged - A Life I Would Like to Change'.

Students of Primary, Pre-Primary and Senior School organised a splendid event on September 5, 2023 for their teachers. The activities planned included dance performances, musical skit, poem recitation and songs, quiz, and a humorous skit by the Senior School.



**Nominating the Prefectorial Board** 



**Teacher's Day Celebrations** 



On August 18, 2023, a special assembly was planned to reveal the names of the Prefectorial Board from Class 11 for the upcoming academic board. The students were evaluated on various parameters by the teachers for the coveted titles.

Winning the Dance Competition
Iyana Khan of Class 4G clinched the
1st position in 'UDAAN', an Interschool dance competition.



**Janmashtami** 

On September 4, 2023, we celebrated Janmashtami in a grand manner. Students of Pre-Primary and Class 1 came dressed as Lord Krishna and Goddess Radha for the special occasion and participated in the special Dahi Handi ritual.



**Welcoming the New Headmistress** 

On September 25, 2023, we welcomed Ms. Nandita Karayi, our new Headmistress for Early & Primary Years. She carries an exceptional experience of 7 years as a School Principal, 10 years in academic leadership and 20 years as a Mathematics Teacher.

Children celebrated Ganesh Chaturthi on September 19, 2023 by creating Ganesha crafts from dry leaves and clay. They also made Ganesha face masks. They were treated to delicious chocolate modaks.



**Ganesh Chaturthi** 



**Grandparents Day** 

Grandparents Day was celebrated on September 10, 2023 wherein students showcased their talent and created beautiful greeting cards for their grandparents.



Raksha Bandhan Celebrations

A special Raksha
Bandhan event was
organised for the
Pre-Primary and Primary
students on August 29,
2023. Students
participated in activities
like thali decoration and
rakhi making.

#### **Words of Appreciation from a HGS Parent**

I wanted to take a moment to express my sincere appreciation for the outstanding job you have done in educating and nurturing my child. As a parent, I am extremely impressed with the level of dedication and commitment you have shown in providing a safe and positive learning environment for my child.

Your creativity and innovative teaching methods have truly inspired my child to excel academically and personally. Your patience, kindness, and encouragement have helped boost my child's self-confidence and developed a love for learning that will stay throughout her life.

I am grateful for the effort you have put in to foster a strong sense of community within the classroom and school as a whole. I feel confident that my child is receiving education that not only focuses on academic excellence but also promotes important values such as respect, empathy and responsibility.

Thank you again for all that you do. I am proud to be a part of this school community and feel fortunate to have such dedicated and talented educators guiding my child's journey of learning.



Aiza Aslad Mother's Name: Mrs. Shagufta Father's Name: Mr. Abu Aslad Class: II E

## Homerton Grammar School & Aakash Institute: Nurturing Young Minds Together



We have associated with Aakash Institute, a renowned coaching centre, to mentor our students to prepare for board examinations and crack competitive exams like IIT-JEE and NEET with 100% pass result. As a part of this

association, we have enrolled our Class XI – medical and non-medical students for a two-year integrated classroom course at Aakash Institute. Our association with this reputed coaching institute will provide robust coaching with financial aid to our students. To ensure finances do not come in their way of learning, we have committed to cover half of the expenses associated with the course. We also offer free pick-up and drop-off services to and from Aakash Institute to our students. To accommodate the coaching schedule, proxy attendance is also provided at the school on Saturdays, to ensure that our students attend coaching without missing regular school classes. Through this initiative, we intend to foster the growth and development of our students.

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