



G.D GOENKA PUBLIC SCHOOL, SARITA VIHAR

THEME: Annual Junior Sports Day- Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav

REPORT: Goenkan Funtathlon 2023

DATE: Saturday, February, 04, 2023

CLASS: Nursery-I

“Apart from education, you need good health, and for that, you need to play sports.”
-Kapil Dev-

In pursuance of the core belief and ideology of creating global leaders through educational excellence, G.D Goenka, Sarita Vihar, inculcates a curriculum with an exemplary amalgamation of Academics and Sports. While the mental development, including the power of reasoning and vocational specialization comes from the academics, through sports a child gets the essential attributes of leadership, tolerance, interdependency and esprit de corps. To add consistency to such beliefs the concerted efforts of school Management and the staff were put to best display during the conduct of **Annual Junior Sports Meet ‘Goenkan Funtathlon - 2023’** for the students of **Nursery to I** on Saturday, February 4.

A jubilant march past by the students from Nursery to I aligned the morning disposition towards the premise of the occasion. The Principal, Mrs. Seema Sahay graced the morning by administering the Pledge of Funtathlon wherein the students pledged to uphold the spirit of sportsmanship. The synchronized skaters enthralled everyone as they skated to the dais and handed over the colourful balloons to be released by the special guest, Ms. Ankita Bhambri, Indian former professional tennis player and coach and Principal and declare the meet open. In her welcome address to the audience the school Principal, Mrs. Sahay emphasized upon the relevance of sports towards holistic development of students. Ms. Bhambri too, in her address urged the parents to ensure that there is a balance between sports and academics as both are equally important for the holistic development of a child.

The plethora of sports activities subsequently undertaken by the students presented the audience with a spectacle of fun, skills and mental alertness. The students of class I displayed different mudras of Yoga inspired by Nature and exhibiting the benefits of this ancient practice of exercise and meditation. The next event marked transformation from calm Yoga to the highly reflexive martial art Taekwondo, by the vibrant kindergarteners. The students of class I then exhibited the fundamental drills of Lawn Tennis displaying the emphasis laid by school in progressive learning of the sports. The youngest participants holding colourful hockey sticks then took to the field and captivated one and all by their fun filled display of Step-up Sports.

The fun races in between all the events kept instilling gusts of excitement at regular intervals. The parents sitting in audience could not resist the thrill in the air post all the events and volunteered to participate in a group game, especially organized for them.

While dedicating this sports extravaganza to the nationwide celebrations of **Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav**, the grand finale of the occasion was marked by forming into letters AKAM (Azaadi ka Amrit Mahotsav) and proudly swaying to the tunes of ‘Sabse Aage Honge Hindustani’ which marked a proud culmination of the Goenka Funathlon 2023. The occasion in most certain terms achieved the essence of the school’s motto of ‘Higher, Stronger, Brighter’.



