

“We are what we repeatedly do.

Excellence, therefore, is not an Act but a Habit”

These words of Aristotle ring true to me when I think about my vision and dream **of creating a learning space that inspires excellence.** Ladies and gentlemen this is the motto of Smart Wonders School- a school that focuses on every aspect of a child's growth - body, mind and spirit to create Confident, Competent and Caring individuals.

On the **1st of September 2023**, I completed 5 years as the Principal here at Smart Wonders School. It has been a phenomenal and exciting journey for me, filled with moments of great joy as well as challenges which I have overcome with the support of my amazing team members and you dear parents. As I read the Annual Report before this august gathering, I am filled with pride at all the milestones we have achieved together with your trust and support.

Let me start by sharing with you the Academic Excellence achieved by our Class X students in the Session 2022-23

Out of 82 students who appeared in the exam 81 students secured first division, out of these more than half i.e. 48 got above 80%

Toppers

Position	Name	Percentage
1	Kanavjeet Godara	97.4 %
2	Avanya Narang	97.2 %
3	Harnoor Kaur	97 %

Toppers in each subject Subject:

English	Japji Bamra	99
S.St	Avishi, Brahmleen	99
Math	Kanavjeet, Mehul	100
Science	Kanavjeet, Avanya	97
Punjabi	Madhav	95
Hindi	Avanya	97
French	Harnoor	100

The Overall Average of the school was an astounding 81.8%

We are looking at our current Class X to surpass this result and make you the parents and us the educators proud of their success!

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES SPORTS

Smart Wonderites actively participate in various co-curricular activities held in the Tricity throughout the session with amazing results. Some of the achievements of our talented students in Sports are

Football

- **At the Inter School District Level Sports Tournament 2023-24, Smart Wonderites Karman Sivia of class 8 and Kavan Singh of class 7 bagged a Silver medal in the U-14 Boys Football**
- Karman Sivia also played in the Season 10 of the Chandigarh Football League.
- During the 1st DPS, Mohali Football Trophy this year, **the Boys U-15 Football Team of SWS bagged the Third Position.** The team, led by Nimanpreet Singh Arora of class 9, along with Karman Sivia of class 8, Yajur Verma and Kartik Sharma of class 7, Abheer Pratap Chaudhary, Harkirit Singh Sokhi, Saiansh Verma, Harkaran Pratap Singh Bhatti, Viraj Malik and Yuvraj Dhillon of class 9 got a **decisive win by scoring 3-0 against Shemrock School.**

Cricket

- At the Inter School **District Level U-14 Boys Cricket** tournament, our students **Aujas Sharma of class 7, Krrish Choudhary of class 8 and Ayush Agarwal of class 9** bagged the **Gold medal.**

- At the **Zonal Level**, the Smart Wonders **U-14 Boys Cricket** team got Third Rank, while the U-17 Boys team achieved Second Rank. **Four of our students** from this category, **Aastik Bhardwaj and Agaminder Singh of class 10, and Suryansh Kalsi of class 9 and Satyam Sharma of class 8** have been **selected to represent Sohana zone** at the **upcoming district level cricket** tournament.
- **Aujas Sharma** was declared the **‘Man of the Match’** for **three consecutive matches**, and the **‘Man of the Series’** during **TKB Global Cup**, organised by Knowledge Bus Global School, Mohali.

Basketball

- In the Inter School **District Level** basketball tournament held at Sports Complex, Sector 78, Smart Wonderites **Subeg Singh Sandhu, Gobind Karan Singh and Abhijeet Singh Gill of class 10** were a part of the **U-17 Boys team**, which displayed a stellar performance and received a **Gold medal**.
- **Vaishali Kanwar of class 10 and Garima Chhabra of class 9** secured a **Silver in the U-17 Girls matches**.
- At the **Zonal** level, our **U-17 boys basketball** team bagged the **second position**.

Lawn Tennis

- Our Tennis Champ **Riddhima Singh of class 3** was adjudged the **winner of the Half Court** in the **U-8 Rising Star Tennis Tournament**, held at Paragon School, Mohali. She was the **Runner Up in Full Court**.
- Riddhima also went on to grab **3rd position** in a **Ranking Tennis Tournament** organised by Rising Star Tennis Academy in May 2023 at The Millennium School, Mohali.

- At the **District Level Lawn Tennis tournament 2023-24**, **Rudra Pratap Singh and Prabhsaran Singh** of **class 10** bagged the **Gold** medal in the **U-19 Boys** category.
- At the same event, our **U-14 Girls team**, comprising of **Jasnoor Kaur of class 10, Simrat Kaur of class 7 and Nayirah Bhardwaja of class 6** bagged a **Silver** medal.
- During the '**Inter Academy Ranking Tennis Tournament**', organised by Rising Star Tennis Academy, **Rudra Partap** won **all the six matches** and was aptly adjudged the **winner of the tournament**.

Table Tennis

- **Bhavya Mahajan** of **class 8** brought laurels to the school by representing **Sohana Zone** at the **District level U-14 girls tournament** held at **LPS**, and bagged a **Gold** medal. In the **U-17 girls** category in the **Zonal Level** competitions, the team of **Smart Wonderites** secured **Second** position.
- **Bhavya** was also declared **1st Runner Up** and won **Rs. 1500** cash prize during the **Positive Open Table Tennis Tournament, U-15** category.
- **Bhavya** also finished as the **2nd Runner Up** in the **Sub Junior Girls U-15 Singles Table Tennis Tournament 2023** organised by **Chandigarh Table Tennis Association**.

Badminton

- **Ishaan Singh** of **class 9** bagged **Third** position in the **Global Badminton Championship**, held in **May 2023**.

Skating

- At the **District Level Skating Competition**, **Bhavika Sharma** of class 6 secured **2 Gold and 1 Silver** medal in the **U-14 Girls** category. She also received **3 Gold medals** at the **Zonal Level**.
- **Harseerat Kaur Bhatti** of class 5 bagged **2 Bronze** in the **U-11 category** at the **District level**, and **1 Silver + 2 Bronze** at the **Zonal level**.
- **Bhavika Sharma** clinched **3 Gold** medals in the **District Roller Skating Championship 2023**.
- **Bhavika Sharma and Sabreen Kaur** of class 6 bagged **Second** position in the **1st Motivational Roller Skating Championship 2023** held at the **GMADA Sports Complex, Sector-78**.
- **Khyat Sahni** of class 3 bagged the **Third position** at the same event.
- **Khyat** also participated in the **13th Mini (U-11) Roll Ball National Championship 2023**, held in **Tamil Nadu**.

Swimming

- At the District Level, **Partap Singh Tiwana** of class 7 clinched **1 Silver and 1 Bronze** in the **U-14 Boys Swimming Competition** held at Sports Complex, Sector 63. At the same event, in the **U-17 Girls category**, **Guntas Preet Kaur** of class 9 bagged a **Gold, a Silver and a Bronze** medal each while **Mannat Sharma** of class 9, bagged a **Bronze**.
- **Guntas Preet Kaur** also bagged **First** position in **400 m Medley Race** and **Second** position in **800 m Freestyle Relay Race** during the **State level swimming competition**.

Chess

- **Utkrishit Khosla** of class 3 achieved **3rd** position in **U-9 category** of “**Chess Mantra**”, a chess competition organised by **Byjus**.

- **Saumya Khera of class 3 bagged Silver medal in Class 1-4 (Girls) category during the A.J. Saupin Chess Tournament held in August 2023. At the same event, Utkrisht Khosla of class 3 secured the Silver medal in Class 1-4 (Boys) category and Melissa Kapoor of class 8 bagged a Bronze medal in the Class 5-8 (Girls) category**

Taekwondo

- **Eiknoor Kaur of class 8 secured the First position in the Taekwondo Competition conducted by Weapons Art Academy.**
- **Aarav Thakur of class 1 won a Bronze medal in the 2nd Indo Nepal International Taekwondo Championship 2023.**

I'm sure you will agree that our Smart wonderites are shinging as bright as the medals they are winning!!

To ensure continued success in Sports our **Morning and Evening Sports Academy** has been resumed at the school premises. Our Students as well as children of our neighbourhood are receiving additional skill training in various sports such as skating, cricket, football and basketball under the supervision of trained instructors. We are looking forward to adding a number of other sports to the academy in the near future.

Let's look at other Co Curricular Activities where our students have excelled in this session

2023-24

- **The Senior Wing students of our school bagged the First position for presenting a Hindi Street Play - 'India Calling' during the Inter-School Competition held at MRIS, Mohali in September 2023**
- **Smart Wonderites enthusiastically participated in 'Samvidhi 5.0 – A Legal Conclave' held at DPS in August 2023, we were among the top 10 teams to qualify for the final round of 'Legal Entrepreneurship Competition' after competing with 36 teams.**
- **Two teams from SWS were among the 11 shortlisted from across India that participated in the final round of 'Schoolathon on Sustainability', a National level Inter-School competition at Manav Rachna University, Faridabad. One of our teams, comprising of Tanureet and Gunseerat of Class 9, were declared winners in class 9 – 12 category and awarded the cash prize of 50,000 rupees for presenting a business proposal on 'Recycling of Grey Water'. Sanah and Tarushi, members of the second team, were also appreciated for their presentation.**
- **Naksh Bhandari of class 4 received the First Prize in the 'Online National Soroban and Mental Math Competition' (Level 6), held in August 2023.**
- **Ishvin Singh Juneja of Class 3 won the coveted First prize in the inter-school Logo Design contest - Tech Fest 2K23, organised by St. Soldier International Convent School, Mohali in May 2023.**
- **Hunarvir Singh Gill of class 4 was presented a trophy and a medal for his performance during the 'JLPL Punjabi Singing Competition - Season 1'. His performance was aired on PTC Punjabi News Channel.**

- **Ishpreet of class 3 is a budding author** and has a book to her name, **‘Short Stories by Ishpreet’** is a **collection of her self-composed short stories**.

Let’s give our talented wonderies another round of applause!

The Enrichment and House Activities pave the way for the holistic development of our children. Believe me, one can see and feel the excitement and energy on the campus every Wednesday and Thursday, as the students engage in various enrichment activities of their choice, ranging from **Contemporary Dance, Kathak, Music, Yoga, Aerobics and Sports to Cooking, 3-D Designing, Personality Development, Theatre and Literary Club**. Friday mornings, the children display their House spirit as they engage and compete in varied activities showcasing their talent, creativity and skills, be it Literary, Performing Arts or Sports. This is how they learn and build on team spirit and bring laurels to the school all year round.

I am pleased to share that **‘SWS Confluence 2023 – Our Choices Our World’**, a four-day inter-school competition that we hosted in August for students of over 17 leading schools of the Tricity, was a **massive success**. Our talented Wonderites not only participated in all the competitions, but also bagged a number of prizes, **including the title of being the overall winner**. However, being the hosts, we remained non-competitive and the trophy was passed over to a Chandigarh school.

Pulling off an event of this scale, right in the middle of the academic session, was a laudable triumph, and I would like to thank and congratulate each member of the SWS fraternity. Moreover, it was remarkable to see the kind of discipline and decorum that was maintained in the school premises during those 4 eventful days, since the school was functioning as usual. Our Student Council members did a commendable job, which leaves us in no doubt that we chose our leaders well.

As you are aware the conversations in the education circles are now focused on Competency and Skill development of the students.

“Empower the youth with skills today, and they will build a better world tomorrow.”

These are perhaps the best words to describe just how much effort and emphasis we put towards enhancing the Life skills, overall personality and Competencies of our Wonderites. We continue to organise a variety of workshops and interactive sessions for our students both in house and outsourced, ranging from **stress management, issues and concerns of adolescents, healthy eating habits and self defence, to career counselling, entrepreneurship, stress free examination, Math AI and Reasoning.** Experiential in nature, these workshops aim at establishing a safe learning space for our students.

The launch of New Education Policy by the Govt. of India has brought a revolutionary change in the education sector, shifting focus from rote learning to skill-based learning. Embracing those new initiatives, we were one of the first schools in the Tricity to introduce various **skill subjects** in the curriculum, such as **Coding, Artificial Intelligence, Financial Literacy, Mass media and Marketing & Sales.** The inclusion of these skill subjects for classes 6-10 is a testimony of our commitment towards our students, the commitment of supporting and preparing them for a dynamic future!

Positive world change is seldom achieved by one person; more often than not, amazing things happen when like-minded people are committed to a singular goal.

I take this opportunity to thank all the **educators, the Heads of the departments, the Academic Coordinators, the Junior Wing Head and the Vice Principal** for their efforts in working towards our common goal- **to strengthen the Academics and Co-curricular at SWS.**

I also take pride in sharing with you that we have a robust **Teacher Training & Progression Process** here at Smart Wonders School, as we believe **learning never stops and there is always scope for improvement.**

One of our highly effective initiatives is the continuous Teacher training program wherein **subject experts visit** the school at regular intervals to guide and support the implementation of best practices in the classroom.

We have been actively organising various **Capacity Building Workshops** in our school for our teachers. ‘Keeping the fine intricacies of NEP 2020 in mind, these workshops are instrumental in value-addition and competency-building of our educators.

Our school also played host to a comprehensive **Capacity Building Workshop in Social Sciences conducted by CBSE** for teachers from all across the Tricity and Punjab region. This speaks volumes about our prominence and visibility on the educational landscape

We are committed to **Building and Strengthening** the capacities of each one of our staff members and giving them a variety of opportunities to grow and to be leaders.

Ladies and gentlemen, I began my report by sharing a small snippet of my vision for the school; I want to take this opportunity to share with you my desire.... Or should I say ...***khwahish*** for the students, staff and parents of Smart Wonders School

I want to see Smart Wonders at the top of the league – **a school that is committed towards providing every opportunity to the students to become confident, competent and caring individuals.**

I want the **Students** to **embrace learning and experience the school as a joyful place** where they get a chance **to make informed as well as diverse choices** for themselves in their educational journey

I want to see **Educators'** at Smart Wonders as individuals who **are open to learning and constant growth, who are true mentors** for the young wonderites.

I wish to see you **dear parents** as our partners and support in our journey of creating **empathetic, forward-thinking, courageous and successful future citizens** here at Smart Wonders.

Together let us take Smart Wonders School to new heights each session and enable our young wonderties to shine bright not only in the Tricity but at the National and International level.

Success is not measured by what you do, compared to what somebody else does.

Success is measured by what you do, compared to what you are capable of doing.

I pray to the almighty to give us the strength and resilience to be the best versions of ourselves!

Thank you!