

English Debating Society



Teacher-In-Charge : Mr. Vivek Pant

This was a good year of Mayo debaters as they were exposed to many Inter house and Inter school debates learning about the latest trends of public speaking. Sushen Mittal was declared the second best speaker of the Turn Coat debate at the Idea Cultural Festival both at Ajmer and Jaipur.

Mayo College represented by Akshay Kumaria and Aditya Kuhar were runner up in the inter school debate held at India International School, Jaipur. Mayank Murti stood third in extempore in the IPSC Cultural Fest held at Daly College, Indore. Devvrath Bhartia was declared the best speaker of the

preliminary round in the inter school debate held at The Sriram School, Delhi. He also participated in the prestigious Cicero Challenge Debate at IIPM Delhi. The much coveted Gibson Trophy was lifted by our boys after three years. Devvrath Bhartia's performance was commendable and he won all the debates he participated in. He was declared the best speaker in the turn coat debate, semi final and the final debate. He was also declared the overall best debater.

Our boys also participated in other prestigious debates such as, the Chuckerbutty Debate at The Doon School, Dehradun and The India Today Debate at Vasant Valley School, Delhi.

The prominent debaters of the year were: Devvrath Bhartia, Sushen Mittal, Aditya Kuhar, Mayank Murti, Akshay Kumaria, Vijaydeep Nagar, Raghav Choudhary, Rahul Joshi and Gaurav Pratap.

English Creative Writing



Teacher-In-Charge : Mr. Rakesh Alfred

English creative writing society is involved in posting most of the opportunities to the active members of the school who are feisty to create their own publications in terms of news letters, anthology etc. contributing incessantly to the various magazines the school churns out every year.

Keeping the convention, this year the boys brought out two fantastic special PG publications namely, Euphoria an insight into the PG and Zephyr, an

anthology of original poems of boys at all levels. They worked on these two responsibilities virtually unaided, clicking relevant pictures to highlight events, collecting articles and poems from boys, stirring them tirelessly to write and ultimately bringing out the best in their schoolmates providing them all a forum to express themselves unrestrained. Ankit Grover has rightly won accolades for creative writing at a couple of prestigious competitions this year and has been acknowledged for his aptitude in the field. Ankit Grover, Anuj Khandelwal, Manrajdeep Singh, Sushen Mittal, Rahul Joshi, Avijit Singh and Sajal Agarwal who have contributed primarily their time and flair to the society in their own ways and made the plans look real, deserve a special mention here. Surely a lot more waits to happen and we will see some more of the magic conjured by our boys.

The Participating Teams

- Yadavindra Public School, Mohali
- The Scindia School, Gwalior
- Modern School, Dubai
- The Daly College, Indore
- S. M. S. Jaipur
- The Doon School, Dehradun
- Vasant Valley School, New Delhi
- St. James School, Calcutta
- Mayo College Girls' School, Ajmer
- Mayo College, Ajmer

Results

Just a Minute Extempore:

Best Speaker- Rama Kulkarni,
Modern High School, Dubai

Turncoat Debate:

Best Speaker- Devvrath Bhartiya,
Mayo College, Ajmer

Semifinal 1:

Modern High School, Dubai V/s
Mayo College, Ajmer

Best Speaker- Devvrath Bhartiya,
Mayo College, Ajmer

Semifinal 2:

Y.P.S. Mohali V/s Doon School

Best Speaker - Ravina Nain

Final

Mayo College V/s Y.P.S. Mohali

Best Speaker - Devvrath Bhartiya,
Mayo College, Ajmer

Over all Best Speaker of the Debates
Devvrath Bhartiya, Mayo College,
Ajmer

Mayo College beat Y.P.S., Mohali in
the final round and won the Gibson
Debates. Being the host team, they
handed over the trophy to Y.P.S.
Mohali, the runner up.

The Fourteenth Padmashree J.T.M. Gibson Memorial Debates were organized at Mayo College, Ajmer on September 13, 2008 and September 14, 2008. Mr. R.D. Singh, former Principal, Mayo College, Ajmer &



D.P.S. Vasant Kunj, also former teacher and housemaster of The Doon School, Dehradun was the Chief Guest for the inauguration. The Chief Guest for the final debate was Mr. Ramesh Mathur, former Head, Department of Geography, Mayo College and former Principal, Alwar Public School, Alwar.

The Fourteenth Padmashree JTM Gibson Memorial Quiz

Teacher-In-Charge - Mr. S. Kumar

J.T.M. Gibson Invitational Quiz Competition 2008 was held at the Bikaner Pavilion on the evening of September 12, 2008.

Six teams that participated in the quiz competition after a written elimination round were:

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| 1. Vasant Valley School, New Delhi | 2. The Doon School, Dehradun |
| 3. S.M.S. Jaipur | 4. Modern School, Dubai |
| 5. St. James School, Kolkata | 6. Mayo College, Ajmer |

This quiz competition was entertaining and it was attended by a large gathering of guests and students. Mr. Jagpreet Singh was the Quiz Master who was assisted by Mr. S. Sriram and Mr. V. Upadhyay at the computer. Mr. Nitin Vashishtha was the scorer, Mr. Yash Saxena was the time keeper and Mr. S. Kumar was the convener of the quiz.

Modern School, Dubai stood first and won the trophy, St. James School, Kolkata were runner up whereas Vasant Valley School, New Delhi stood third.

The year started on a bright note as we bagged the Annual Mayo College Girls' School Quiz 2008 trophy. The participants in the quiz were:

- Ankit Grover
- Tapasvi Raj Singh
- Kunal Agarwal

