

# Ed-Lines Today



## EDITOR'S DESK

Dear Readers,

Welcome to our July-August 2022 issue of Edlines Today. This very special edition showcases educators and institutions from Lucknow. In our big league institutions, we share the philosophies of Kunwar's Global School, Lucknow. With pedagogical methodologies like blended learning and flipped classroom, the School aims to provide academic excellence as well as gives equal importance to co-curricular activities. Next, Ms. Warsha Sawant from Seth Anandram Jaipuria School very interestingly highlights the importance of educators in a student's life. A student goes through ups and downs in his/her life, like any other adult. The difference is that the age at which students are undergoing stress, they need proper guidance. It is the duty of an educator to encourage and support students through tough times.

Competency-based education allows students to advance based on their ability to master a skill or competency at their own pace. Ms. Firdous Siddiqui, Director at Rasphil Academy, Lucknow sheds light on the importance of competency-based education over traditional education system in our Rendezvous segment. This section complements our recent event, "Teachers Conclave" that took place in Lucknow in partnership with Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham. The theme of the conclave was competency-based education and was organized for educators that aim to upskill their students' learning through novel and comprehensive teaching practices. We have included highlights from the event in the current issue of Edlines Today.

Next, in our Principal's Desk segment, Ms. Bharti Mankani, Principal at Seth MR Jaipuria School, Barabanki shares her experiences and journey to create a fervid schooling experience for students in Lucknow. On the occasion of India's 75th Independence Day, this issue features a very special article by thought leader Dr Sagareeka Roy Bhatia on the importance of instilling 'Patriotic Quotient' in students. We are honoured to feature Ms. Poonam Kochitty, Principal- Seth Anandram Jaipuria School, Lucknow as our Educator of the Month. We take a sneak-peak into Ms. Kochitty's professional life and are very impressed to know her thoughts on New Education Policy and educational leadership. Last but not the least, we are proud to share with our readers highlights from Edudevs landmark project, 'Yuva Manch' that was organized on 6th August 2022. The aim of this project is to create extraordinary participation of youth in discussions and debate on the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals 2030.

We hope you enjoy reading this issue as much as we have enjoyed creating this for you

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## THE BIG LEAGUE *institutions*



**Kunwar's Global School** has rapidly progressed and is growing from strength to strength. Our students triumphantly march ahead, meeting every challenge head-on. They have the determination to light a lamp than curse the darkness. The students have attained accomplishments in academics, sports, art and culture and carved a niche for themselves.

Our ultimate goal is academic excellence, and we at Kunwar's Global School always emphasise learning differences rather than difficulties. Our relatively minor numbers allow us to provide individual attention to students within the limitations of a demanding curriculum. Our teachers take complete responsibility that the learning is reflected in achievements and growth. It focuses on learning for every student.

Kunwar's Global School gives great importance to music. Students are also interested

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in learning music, singing and playing musical instruments. Various musical instruments are taught at school, like keyboard, drum, guitar, Harmonium, recorder/ flute etc.

The students are given proper training in Indian Classical Singing and English Singing. Pre Primary children also play musical instruments and participate in group singing.

Sports have had their flavour over the years at KGS; through sports, we try to develop mental growth and increase students' reasoning power. Being actively involved in sports can help students relax from their daily routine of learning syllabus and reduces exam stress. One must balance work and play to keep the body and soul in sync.

The pre-primary activities at KGS include Poos Side Parties, Hurdle Race, Green Day Celebrations, Pyjama Party, Dance Shows, Movie Time, Mango Party, Tug of War, and Learning Music.



**Dr. Dheeraj Mehrotra**  
Principal  
Kunwar's Global School, Lucknow

The education system has harnessed changes through the inception of the National Education Policy with loads of updates and innovative measures. We at Kunwar's Global School, Lucknow, reflect and practice the spectrum as guided by the policy and the framework. Learning today is clubbed through the blended learning approach and flipped learning as a priority teaching and learning modules. We believe in excellence through working the Talk, not just walking the talk and talking the talk.

The campus at Kunwar's Global School, Lucknow, is open for all who believe in learning to learn as a hobby rather than an occasional occurrence. Here we encourage children to find their unique talents. We think that we have a responsibility to equip our pupils to build a better world where our children should learn and grow in a community that places great value on individuality through creativity and innovation. Success at KGS is not simply based on academic excellence alone; we cater to encapsulating social and emotional intelligence among our students with values of universal brotherhood, harmony, and togetherness.

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### PRINCIPAL'S NOTE



## Voice of the educator

What is the voice of an educator? Is it the effect they have on their learners or the love that they receive from them when the learner is enriched with knowledge and skills in the whole process.

Being an educator means giving everything you have to your students, to provide your students with their own voices but in the process not losing your own voice and wisdom.

Each student comes up with a different mindset, different background, and a unique thought process. To merge all these creative minds together and ensure that each student thinks productively, uses the skills they are best at and ultimately bring the class together, that's the voice of an Educator.

This voice cannot be muzzled, because it infiltrates through the minds of all the students, it screams louder when the same students produce outstanding results.

It may seem faded when the students are going through a tough time, yet always encouraging and supporting them to leap through that ring of fire like a tiger. When the whole world doesn't believe in a child, it is the educator who instils hope and courage in his student and makes him confident enough to face the challenges ahead and come out with flying colours.

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**Ms. Warsha Sawant**  
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## Why is competency-based education important for today's students?

CBE is a massive reformation from traditional time based learning to learning.

based learning. It is a skill based approach that shatters the assumption that learning is time bound approach and can happen only in classroom.

## What role does the teacher play in a personalized, competency-based classroom?

In personalized cbe classrooms teachers provide scaffolding to students and work with them through their different weaknesses and help them work on their strengths, each student is moved forward towards mastery on a unique (but equally effective) path.

## How would the schools adapt to integrate CBE into daily classroom transactions?

Firstly the teacher must be aware about the strength and weaknesses of children. On the basis of those strength and weakness provide customised and personalized instructions so that the students can master over the topic.

## How are the learning outcomes of CBE and traditional education system are different?

The traditional system of teaching is focused on imparting knowledge and information through set methods. Whereas in CBE the thrust is on involvement of students to explore the information. There is relaxation for students to do the learning at their own pace.

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# Rendezvous



**Ms. Firdous Siddiqui**  
Director  
Rasphil Academy, Lucknow



## From the PRINCIPAL'S DESK

"Man's mind once stretched by a new idea never regains its original dimension. This is commensurable in terms of amplification of knowledge, amplification of convictions and amplification of discernment. As the Principal of Seth MR Jaipuria School Barabanki, I was driven by the postulation of excellence and to create a fervid schooling experience for the learners of B-town. Striking an equilibrium for the pre-eminence as well as evolution for the students who plugged away with spoken English was an arduous journey of triumph. Today, with enormous pride the students of our school are channelizing their potential across the globe by earning a niche in every possible field. It's always easier to ace the citified backgrounds but paramount hard work and undefiled zeal is required to elevate the graph of such students to the global level. The students are trained with an impeccable and multilateral approach focusing on confidence building, analytical thinking through academic and Co-curricular activities. I would put an end to my inkling with the words of Socrates who says "I cannot teach anybody anything, I can only make them think...."



**Ms. Bharti Mankani**  
Principal  
Seth MR Jaipuria School  
Barabanki

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COMPETENCY-BASED EDUCATION

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- CBE as an essential component of NEP 2020
- Detailed understanding of CBE and its components
- Subject-based Competencies
- Incorporating CBE into classrooms
- Understand CBE based assessment process
- Exploring diverse learning opportunities

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# DEVELOPING PATRIOTIC QUOTIENT (PQ)

Currently in schools the focus is extensively on infrastructure building & maintenance, competition management, brand building, financial scale ups. The whole learning environment revolves around results building to meet the needs of examinations leaving no room for learners to express their creativity or for educators to develop different skills, as a result the learning environment is handicapped and we are trying our best as educators to scaffold it with lessons developing IQ, EQ, AQ, SQ without realizing the importance of instilling PQ. Developing PQ is only restricted to celebrating the two national days which is not enough.



**Dr. Sagareeka Roy Bhatia**  
Education Thought Leader

## Azadi Ka 75 AMRIT MAHOTSAV

### WHY TEACH PATRIOTISM

- It creates a love for one's own motherland
- It makes them aware of the sacrifices made to attain freedom
- Patriotic feeling would help them engage in the betterment of the nation
- It would aid develop sensitive citizens with the right decision-making attitude in the interest of the country.

### EXECUTION

- Dedicate a special corner in the library 'Patriotic Fervor' for learners to be exposed to literature both national & international.
- Retired army men & people from the forces should be invited regularly as guest speakers to motivate the youth and share their vision.

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All school leaders need to think differently to change the outlook of the youth by changing the learning curve. One has to decide if we want to train the generation to follow the path to respect freedom or create a path for the generations to follow. Decide today to change the narration of Independent India.



# EDUCATOR OF THE MONTH



*Mrs. Poonam Kochitty*

Principal  
Seth Anandram Jaipuria School, Lucknow

**01. As an educational leader, what has been one of the biggest challenges in your career so far?**

Getting innovative teachers who can trigger thinking skills in the students.

**02. As an educator you have interacted with and inspired several students. Any event that left a mark on your memory?**

Yes the memory of the first student of mine who qualified for the Singapore Airlines Scholarship for Undergraduate studies at the Nanyang Technical University. This happened due to the exposure and opportunities provided by us.

**03. What is your take on the present-day educational leadership?**

I think the biggest task of Educational Leadership today is to train teachers and inspire them to excel. The second is to equip students with life skills not just academic prowess. My take is that both are lacking.

**04. How do you view Indian education system after the implementation of New Education Policy-2020?**

Rolling out a policy is not enough. There should be periodic reviews to assess the success of the implementation.

**05. Suggestions for young educators to embrace changes in educational technology?**

Read a lot, observe seasoned teachers' classes, constantly update your knowledge, keep abreast of latest trends, and be a part of professional learning networks.

**06. If not an educator, what would you have been?**

An interior decorator or in any travel related job.

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**Date of Birth -** 31, October 1959

**Place of birth -** New Delhi

**Zodiac Sign-** Scorpio

**Your favourite book-** Many Lives Many Masters by Brian Weiss

**The quote I live by -** Do it with Passion or not at all

**First Educational Experience-** It was a launching pad and taught me to be an able administrator and leader.

# Teachers Conclave

## A CLASSROOM PROGRESSES WHEN ITS TEACHER PROGRESSES



The Teachers' Conclave is organised through a collaboration by Edudev and Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham as an attempt at augmenting the educators and EduLeaders willing to upskill their students' learning through novel and comprehensive teaching practices. Teacher training is a crucial part of modernizing



education to meet the 21st century standards and align with the NEP 2020. With a focus on Competency-Based Education (CBE), the conclave searches for winsome participation by enthusiastic educators being guided by experts and veterans in various subjects to inculcate subject-based competency.



Each subject has specific practices, theories, activities, and methods to introduce competency in classrooms which define ideal student-learning outcomes. The conclave is a simultaneous amalgamation of the core subjects being taught in high school, and their specific competency-based training for educators of various fields and subjects. Through this congregation, we aim at arming teachers with the essential skills to not just focus on better academic outcomes, but also focus more on learning outcomes through CBE.



# Yuva Manch VOICE IT OUT - A YOUTH HUB



## SETH ANANDRAM JAIPURIA SCHOOL, LUCKNOW | 6TH AUGUST 2022

A youth summit of opinionated deliberation towards a sustainable future through position paper presentations in Lucknow city on the 6th of August, 2022.

Edudev's launched its landmark project under the banner of Yuva Manch in Lucknow at Seth Anandram Jaipuria School under the expert guidance of Edudev's founder and CEO, Ms Devyani Kapoor. The 6th of August witnessed an extraordinary congregation of youth from around the city of Lucknow gathering to create an open space for discussion and debate on the 17 Sustainable Goals 2030 as defined by the United Nations.



The event was an inspiration guided and mentored by Ms Devyani Kapoor. Ms Poonam Kochitty, Principal of Seth Anandram Jaipuria School, graciously provided her campus as the host for the youth summit. The event was graced with the honourable presence of Chief Guest Ms Sunita Aron, the Senior Resident Editor at Hindustan Times. The event also invited Dr Vandana Sehgal, renowned architect, academist, and artist as the esteemed keynote speaker for the event along with Ms Piush Antony, UNICEF, and Mr Gaurav Prakash, Chairman MSME as esteemed Guests of Honour.

The Yuva Manch mega event was a thrust towards the youth of Lucknow to take up the responsibility of the sustainable future they would someday inherit. Students of grades 9th, all around Lucknow participated by writing them at the youth summit. The summit all the esteemed guests and experts, Devyani Kapoor, with heated deliberation under the topic "Contemporary India to



10th, 11th, and 12th, from schools position papers and presenting also held a panel discussion with including Edudev's founder, Ms on India's journey to sustainability Sustainable India – A Segue".

With cultural dance performances highlighting the power of the youth and creating awareness about sustainability, as well as the energetic participation of all students, there was a definite determination in the air with the urge to make tomorrow a better place for the youth to inherit and live in.



Yuva Manch was created with the vision that the youth hold one of the strongest institutional powers to bring about positive change through empathy and a strong will to take up reform, and if provided with an open, judgement-free platform, the youth could build the future into a hopeful reality. Edudev's has strived towards upskilling the educational community by providing a platform open to new learnings and sharing experiences. This vision is being extended to the youth of the country under the banner of Yuva Manch

