

# ESSAR INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

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Honorable chief guest Shri Kutty Krishnan Sir, respected Principal Madam and distinguished guests assembled here, a very warm welcome to you all on the occasion of The Annual Sports Day celebrations of Essar International School.

True education... and I quote Swami Vivekananda... is the one by which —character is formed, strength of the mind is increased, intellect is expanded and lets one stand on his own feet. In EIS, we endeavor to provide our learners with —wings and roots, wings to soar fearlessly while being firmly rooted to our cultural ethos. We believe in creating a learning ambience which is able to amalgamate the scientific aptitude and the spiritual wisdom to bring out an enlightened and responsible individual.

### NOTHING SUCCEEDS LIKE SUCCESS

#### 1. National Award

We would like to share with you our joy and pride as our Principal Madam Mrs. Sunita Matoo has been conferred with the prestigious **National Teachers President Award** by the President of India, Mr. Pranab Mukherjee on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2014 at New Delhi. This is in recognition of her relentless efforts as a principal to achieve higher education standards with her innovative and futuristic vision. Her dedication and her constant endeavor for excellence has made the school one of the most sought after ones in Western India.

#### 2. State Award

Essar International School was also conferred with the Golden Jubilee Memorial Trust Award for outstanding school by the Southern Gujarat Chamber of Commerce and Industry in February 2014. This award is conferred upon a school that adopts, strives and initiates a well-conceived plan of excellence in the arena of education taking into account the students' performance in board and other competitive exams, their achievements in co-curricular activities, teaching practices adopted and technological development initiatives for innovative teaching.

At this moment of pride we would like to congratulate parents, teachers, staff and students for their creditable contribution towards achieving this stupendous success.

#### 3. Academic Achievements

Academic excellence is the touchstone of any educational institution. The resounding success of our students, has added yet again, to our resplendent glory. In Academics we

are proud to announce that EIS successfully achieved 100% result in the 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Board Exams conducted by CBSE in the year 2014.

- In the class XII Science stream, Ravinder Singh topped with an aggregate score of 96% closely followed by Abhay Shah who secured 95.6% and Sagar Jariwala close at his heels with 94.8 %. Ravinder Singh and Abhay Shah were also awarded the 'Inspire Scholarship' by the department of science and technology, Government of India for being among the top 1% students in the Class 12 Board Exam.
- In the class XII Commerce Stream: Sanskriti Gemawat topped with an aggregate score of 93%, Komal Poddar secured the 2<sup>nd</sup> position with 91.4% and Arth Patel stood 3<sup>rd</sup> with 90.8%.
- 25 students scored an aggregate of above 90%.

#### : Subject Toppers :

1. 18 students secured 95% in English including -

i. Aditi Awasthi	vii. Aditya Yadav	xiii. Shubhangi Verma
ii. Gargi Singh	viii. Aniket Panda	xiv. Vanshika Madan
iii. Kanksha Masrani	ix. Hetvi Saxena	xv. Maitree Patel
iv. Omkar Ralhan	x. Pranav Mangal	xvi. Komal Poddar
v. Rajarshi Aash	xi. Sourav Debnath	xvii. Sanskriti Gemawat
vi. Sagar Jariwala	xii. Saurav Surwade	xviii. Vidhi Thakkar

2. In Physics Bhavesh Chanchalani scored 96%.

3. In Chemistry the highest score of 98% was achieved by Ravinder Shah Singh.

4. Priyanshu Agarwal and Sagar Jariwala secured a whopping 99% in Maths.

5. Janaki Rathod and Maitree Patel scored 99% in Biology and Physical Education respectively and they were both awarded the CBSE 0.1 Merit Certificate.

6. Abhay Shah and Surya Bhushan Tripathi attained 98% in Computer Science.

7. Simran Agarwal secured 96% in Economics.

8. In Business Studies Sanskriti Gemawat and Kinnary Sonar secured 96%.

9. Komal Poddar scored 95% in Accountancy.

10. Vidhi Thakkar scored 95% in Informatics Practices.

#### **In the 10th Board Examination-**

- 11 students secured 10 Grade Points in all 5 subjects.

The 0.1% Certificate for outstanding performance was awarded to –

xix. Abhiram Nair	xxiii. Sakshi Goenka	xxvii. Ajinkya Upasani
xx. Saptarshi Ghosh	xxiv. Shreya Bhav	xxviii. Astha Upadhyay
xxi. Jennifer Johnson	xxv. Navneeth Nair	xxix. Purna Singh
xxii. Jahnvi Bedia	xxvi. Pragati Patel	

#### **4. Sports:**

It is said that — Losers quit when they're tired. Winners quit when they've won. Our students eagerly grab the many opportunities offered by the school to showcase their talents in a plethora of sporting events. The laurels and accolades won in these competitions testify that continuing excellence and team spirit for our sportspersons. Some of the noteworthy performances are:

##### **Nationals Football:**

1. Our young footballers, Rajveer Singh and Tanmay Shishodia in the Under 17 Category, Siddhant Pranay and Bhargav Patel in the Under 16 and Siddhant Pranay and Sairam Gurumoorthy in the under 14 Category played at the National Level.
2. In Basketball, Nishita Purohit and Hena Eldose in the under 17 girls category and Kshitij Desai in the under 14 boys played at the National Level.
3. In Yoga, Rajat Dikshit was awarded a Bronze medal at the national meet and got selected to participate for the international meet to be held at Bangladesh. Also Poorvi Gupta and Shubhra Sonpethkar were selected for National Level.
4. In Athletics, Punyaja Mishra, Aayush Tomar and Swapnil Parmar in the Under 14 girls and boys category and Rajveer Singh along with Shreya Bhave in the Under 17 and Under 19 categories respectively were selected for the national level.

##### **State Players:**

###### **1. Football**

###### **a. Subroto Cup State Runners Up (Under 14) (District -champions)**

In the Subroto Cup, the football team of EIS consisting of Aayush Tomar, Mark Kunjravia, Ravi Yadav, Swapnil Parmar, Rakshit Jethwa, Siddhant Pranay, Sairam Gurumoorthy, Priyansh Tanwar, Shailesh Digari, Neel Patel, Krish Chauhan, Samkit Gangwal, Rishi Modi, Kartikey Bhatia, Hemil Dhimmer, Akash Jha were District Champions and the whole team was selected for states where they bagged the runners up trophy.

###### **b. School Games Football Champion (Under 14) :** In the School Games for Football, our EIS team consisting of Siddhant Pranay, Sairam Gurumoorthy, Swapnil Parmar, Aayush Tomar, Ravi Yadav, Shailesh Digari were the State Champions in the Under 14 Category.

- c. School Games Football (Under 17) 2<sup>nd</sup> Runner Up: And in the Under 17 Category, our team made up of Rajveer Singh, Bhargav Patel, Mitesh Bambhaniya, Tanmay Shishodia, Vivek Shastry were awarded the prize for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Runners Up.
  - d. School Games Football (Under 16) Runners Up: Rajveer Singh, Bhargav Patel, Mitesh Bambhaniya, Siddhant Pranay, Sairam Gurumoorthy, Mudit Nenawati were the State Runners Up in the School Games Under 16 Category.
  - e. Boys Football Subroto Cup (Under 17) (District –champions): Our EIS team consisting of Ashiq S., Rajveer Singh, Mitesh Bambhaniya, Vivek Shastry, Tanmay Shishodia, Bhargav Patel, Karan Shah, Oishik Roy, Mudit Nenawati, Mikhil Nair, Pratik Singh, Shubham Tripathi, Anush S. were district champions in the boys football Subroto Cup in the Under 17 category.
  - f. Khel Mahakumbh Football (Under 16) Champions: Our team was the State Champions in the Khel Mahakumbh for the Under 16 Category, the team members being Rajveer Singh, Bhargav Patel, Mitesh Bambhaniya, Siddhant Pranay, Sairam Gurumoorthy and Mudit Nenawati.
2. Basket Ball
    - a. In the Under 14 Boys Category, the team of EIS consisting Kshitij Desai, Om Tayal, Sanidhya Vyas bagged the 1st Runners Up trophy.
    - b. Under 14 (Girls): Anushka Nenawati, Prachi Solanki in the Under 14 Girls Category and Jimil Desai along with Karthik Reddy in the Under 17 Boys Category were selected to play at the State Level.
    - c. Under 17 (Girls) 2<sup>nd</sup> Runners up: Our girls team consisting of Nishita Purohit, Hena Eldose, Punyaja Mishra, Jaskirat Kaur, Abhilasha Tripathi were 2<sup>nd</sup> Runners Up in the Under 17 Category.
  3. Tennis

Sneh Agarwal, Prateek Mangal, Tushar Thakur, Rachit Agarwal in the Under 17 Girls and Boys Category were selected for the State Level in Lawn Tennis and Sanjit Anand along with Shaurya Srivastav in the Under 19 Category were also selected for the same.
  4. Swimming
    - a. In the Under 14 Boys, Achyut Krishna, Kruthuparna , Gurjot Singh, Aditya Umesh, Mahesh Singh, K.N. Gagan and in the Under 14 Girls, Prisha Patel, Vasundhara Agarwal were selected at state level.

- b. Jimil Desai, Vivek Shastry, Shaurya Srivastava in the Under 17 Boys and in the Under 19 Boys Category Mudit Vasal were also selected for the state level.

#### 5. Karate

In the Under 17 Boys Category, Aryan Lakhera was selected to participate at State Level for Karate.

#### 6. Skating

In Skating, 3 students of our school, Sai Teja, Somya , Yatharth Jani were selected for the State Level.

#### 7. Yoga

In Yoga, Garima Diwan of our school was Selected for Yoga at state level.

#### 8. Athletics Cluster 9 Meet

A number of sports enthusiasts like Swapnil Parmar, Aayush Tomar, Shreya Bhave won gold medals while Rajveer Singh and Punyaja Mishra won silver medals and Karthik Reddy, Nidhi Patel and Mitesh Bambhaniya won bronze medals adding feathers to the school cap by proving their mettle at the CBSE Clusters 9 Athletics Meet West Zone in October 2014.

#### 9. Fountainhead

At the athletics meet held at fountainhead school in December 2014, EIS bagged the trophy for the Best School in Overall performance. Our sports enthusiasts won 60 medals in all out of which 44 were gold medals.

### 5. Cultural and Literary Events

Culture is the widening of the mind and of the spirit, said Pandit Nehru. We at EIS believe that children without the knowledge of their past history, origin and culture are like a tree without roots. Students of EIS emerged victorious in number of inter school events.

#### Podar School:

- a. At the **Articulate fest** 2014-15 held at Podar International School, Essar International School had the proud privilege of bagging the winner's trophy for overall performance as a school.
- b. Our students won the 1<sup>st</sup> prize in drawing competition, clay modeling, weave a story and partner dance, pantomime, folk dance competition, paint with music, make an advertisement, elocution, one act play, chorus semi classical and debate competitions.

- c. The second positions were bagged by the students in ice cream stick puppet competition, essay writing competition, extempore, paper quilling competition, group dance and talk about a book competition.

### **Fountainhead**

At the Kalakriti Fest held at Fountainhead school, the EIS dramatics team bagged the 1<sup>st</sup> Runners Up trophy.

### **Tapti Valley**

In inter pre-school dance competition held at Tapti Valley International School our extremely talented tiny tots represented the school for the 1<sup>st</sup> time and also bagged the 2<sup>nd</sup> prize.

### **Alchemy**

Our tiny tots also bagged the 1<sup>st</sup> prizes at the Drawing and colouring competition held at Alchemy school.

### **Young Orators**

At the Young Orators Debate Competition Kriti Bhatia was awarded the trophy for 2nd runners up and Jeevika Sahajwani got the award for notable speaker and trophy for 3rd runner up. Together they were awarded the prize for the 1st Runner Up in the final round. In the Little Orators Competition organized by Paradigm Shift, Pankhuri Rastogi was declared Best Speaker while Soumya Kaushik and Misti Dhar were given the trophy for Notable Speakers.

### **Freedom Cup Debate**

Debating in schools helps students imbibe critical thinking and presentation skills. Chandrabala Modi Academy, Ankleshwar organized the interschool debate – ‘Freedom Cup’ on August 24. The school team consisting of Jeevika Sahajwani and Satveen Kaur was adjudged first runner up and Jeevika Sahajwani secured the second position in the Best Speaker category.

### **Katha Utsav**

Our students from class 5 to 12 participated in Katha Utsav, the regional writers workshop organized by CBSE in November 2014. Twelve students were selected by CBSE on the basis of their self-composed short stories. The youngsters, Mohammad Gazi, Bhavana Vedantham, Prateek Upadhyay, Kartavi Patel, Ashutosh Bhatt, Niyanta Desai, Mehak Gupta, Oishik Roy, Sarthak Harne, Pankhuri Rastogi, Angel Patel and Aryan Agarwal were given the unique opportunity of meeting authors

and journalists. At the Nationals where all the budding writers were selected once again to receive inputs from experts of international repute 2 students, Mohammad Gazi and Bhavana Vedantham were selected amongst the top 75 writers.

### **National Level Science Exhibition**

Once again proving that the scope of science reaches far beyond the arena of textbooks into the realms of application and innovation, the school presented two exhibits at the Regional Level Science Exhibition 2014 organized by CBSE. The projects prepared by Abhiram Nair and Ruturaj Desai consisted of extensive research work, working models and informative demonstrations.

### **INCA quiz**

Two Teams comprising of 6 students of class 10 of EIS got selected at the national level INCA Map Quiz organized by The Indian National Cartography Association in November 2014. The EIS team consisting of Nishita Purohit, Mayank Makharia and Ashutosh Bhatt were awarded a cash prize and certificates for securing 2<sup>nd</sup> position at the zonal round held earlier.

## **6. The school has played host to a number of events:**

### **1. Confluence**

The school organized Confluence 2014-15 – A learning fiesta in July 2014. The event comprising English debate, Maths quiz and Power point presentation competitions gave an excellent opportunity to the young participants of 28 schools from all over Gujarat, to share and learn from each other. The very talented representatives of contesting schools were given a splendid platform to showcase their skills.

### **2. Football Coaching Camp**

Essar International School played host to the Pre-National football coaching camp to enhance the skills of football players from all over Gujarat to enable them to compete at National Level. Renowned national coach John Paul Anchery was invited to train selected participants over a fortnight long camp.

## **7. Celebration of Days:**

A true educational system should teach young people how to make a life instead of teaching them how to make a living. Through a series of consistent activities efforts are made round the year to instill the right attitude and values.

### 1. Independence Day:

The spirit of patriotism was reinforced through the Independence Day celebration wherein children from class 1 to 8 participated in the melodious rendering of patriotic songs, Hindi and English poem recitation and Sanskrit Shloka recitation, Hindi Action songs and Dance performances.

### 2. Teachers' Day:

It is a convention of the school to commemorate the birth anniversary of Dr. Radha Krishnan every year by observing the teachers' day celebrations. Each and every teacher was felicitated with a token of love and gratitude by classes 11 and 12 and they were also treated to a mesmerizing cultural show by the students.

### 3. Grandparents Day:

EIS also celebrated Grandparents Day ringing in happiness and good cheer to salute the selfless toil of senior citizens where a cultural program put up by the little grandchildren of primary sections followed by outdoor games brought a smile of contentment to their lips.

### 4. Children's Day:

Celebrating the spirit of innocence teachers and class 11<sup>th</sup> students of EIS organized a myriad of programs on the occasion of children's day including a very unique assembly put together by the teaching faculty, volley ball matches, along with games, magical tricks, puzzles, a movie show and a treasure hunt designed by the student council.

### 5. The Religious fervor:

was ushered in through celebration of Christmas, Navratri and Diwali where in the conventional rituals were observed in the true festive spirit.

### 6. Cleanliness Drive:

The school observed the cleanliness, health and hygiene week to generate, among children, the necessity for a cleaner, healthier and more hygienic environment through a 'do it yourself' venture wherein students took the initiative to lend a hand in cleaning their respective classrooms. They learnt to collectively take responsibility for their health and hygiene by sensitizing the community through a 'Nukkad Natak' and preparing power point presentations on 'clean and green is our perfect dream' and 'cleanliness the need of the hour' and Hindi Elocutions.

### 7. Anti-Corruption Workshop:

Class 11<sup>th</sup> students attended a workshop on anti-corruption organized by The Anti-Corruption Bureau. They were apprised on the need for awareness against corruption through an interactive session. This was followed by an effective session of instructions regarding the response of students towards corruption in their environment.

#### 8. Community service:

EIS facilitates computer literacy as part of its social responsibility towards the community. The courses offered are C++, M.S Office, auto cad and visual basic for 3 months to candidates who have passed class XII, through the Chandrakala Institute of computer education.

#### 9. NCC:

- a. In the same spirit, the combined Annual Training Camp for NCC, cadets was held at 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion Baroda, Gujarat between July 25 and August 3, 2014. 49 students of class 9 participated in the camp in which they were trained in physical training, drill practice, outdoor sports.
- b. The cadets also proved their mettle in a number of competitions such as March past, drill, tug of war and debate and won the trophy for the Best School for overall performance.

#### 8. Field Trips:

Learning is finding out what you already know. Doing is demonstrating that you know it. Exhibitions, field trips, excursions are an effective way of reinforcing learning which is imprinted in textbooks.

##### 1. Science And Maths Exhibitions:

To make a common man aware and appreciate the marvels of science, EIS students had put up a Science and Maths Exhibition on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2014 with a view to include the scientific temper and to make Mathematics cogent for the layman through exhibits made by students of classes 6-12.

##### 2. Visit to sugar factory :

Senior Students of EIS were taken on a field trip to a sugar factory at Bardoli where the students got a peep into the environment friendly raw material processing, packaging and storage.

### 3. IPR and PRL Visit :

7 students of class 11, Samarth Doshi, Parth Doshi, Prajal Jain, Siddharth Shah, Rakshit Shukla, Sirsha Mukherjee and Rijuta Tayal were selected in a screening test to represent the school at IPR and PRL where they were given an opportunity to learn about Plasma Research in India. Siddharth Shah was adjudged the highest scorer from Surat region.

### 4. Infinity Fair :

Students from classes 11 and 12 attended the very enlightening exhibition on automobiles and modern industrial machinery. Organized by Essar. The Students got a peep into raw material processing through live demonstrations.

### 5. State of the art Music room :

The school has a well-equipped music room to facilitate the learning of students with a penchant for music to enhance their Musical talent. The music room also has State of the art equipment along with a modern recording studio in order to give to the budding musicians of the school a platform to articulate their talent.

## 9. Workshops and Seminars:

**Robert Frost** said, "I am not a teacher but an awakener".

Since the teaching profession involves nurturing the green minds of society, enrichment of teachers becomes an indispensable aspect of the institution. Keeping pace with the changing times, we at EIS believe in updating ourselves with the latest in technology, sciences and behavioral sciences to empower ourselves for upcoming challenges.

1. A seminar was conducted for 12th science students at Essar house where in Mr. Prasad and Mr. Gaurang Doshi explained different networking in the IT field.
2. Univerity conducted workshop for students of 11 and 12 on career guidance specifically regarding identifying one's strengths and making suitable career choices.

**Teachers Workshops:**

- The following workshops were attended by teachers at EIS :
  1. The teacher as Counselors by Dr. Ravindran a renowned Psychologist
  2. An interaction session for school leaders by Dr. Harish Choudhary a Faculty at IIT Delhi.
  3. Cartography using remote sensing satellite data organized by Indian National Cartography association.
  4. Counseling children and Adolescent and Workshop on Attention Deficit hyperactive disorder by Dr. Bhumika Pant EIS Counselor.
  5. ASL-Examiner teachers Workshop organized by CBSE.
  6. Activity based teaching in Science by Dr. Anuradha Bhagat.
  7. Workshop on Child sexual abuse prevention and intervention by Dr. Ravindran.
  8. Development stages and impact on learning by Dr. Swati Vinchukar.
  9. ELT workshop by Oxford University Press.
  10. Workshop for teaching of Hindi.
  11. The power of collaborative learning by Stuart Scott.
  12. Addiction in school children organized by ICTRC.
  13. Music Therapy by Mr.Somesh Purey.
  14. Yogathon organized Art of living foundation.
  15. Preprimary teachers training by Dr. Reeta Sonawat.

“While it is well enough to leave footprints on the sands of time, it is even more important to make sure they point in a commendable direction.”

To strive to seek to find and never yield... that is maxim we intend to follow. Another year of milestones and hopefully it will be another year of stupendous achievements.

