



INFORMATION REGARDING IAYP (INTERNATIONAL AWARD FOR YOUNG PEOPLE) AWARD

THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S INTERNATIONAL AWARD

As our school is soaring to great heights, we are proud to acknowledge that there is yet another stepping stones to add to its glory onto its road to success. undoubtedly, our school is introducing an international course called International **Award for Young People in India** (IAYP) for young students who are above 13.5 years of age. We are working with the International Award for Young People (IAYP) which delivers the Duke of Edinburgh's International Award in India to offer our school new ways to broaden its curriculum. Our organisation believes that learning should not be confined to the classroom, but should also take place in the school environment and wider community. We want to provide students with an opportunity to develop soft skills such as leadership, teamwork and confidence. By offering the Award as non-formal education alongside the academic programmes we aim to provide students with a holistic education.

About the International Award for Young People (IAYP)

The Award Programme was introduced in India in 1962 with a view to encouraging young people in the country to achieve their full growth potential within the framework of Indian society, to improve their moral, social and intellectual well-being, to 'Equip them for Life'. Currently students from over 240 institutions across India participate in the Award Programme. So far over 100,000 young people have successfully gained their Awards. The IAYP is a non-governmental organisation (NGO) and is a full member of the Duke of Edinburgh's International Award Association.

The Award is implemented through Open Award Centres (OAC), which are referred to as Youth Engaging in Society ('YES') Centres. These are primarily schools and other educational institutions which are licensed under an Agreement to implement the Award. The Award is comprised of three levels and four sections:

- Bronze for those over 13.5 years of age
- Silver for those over 15 years old.
- Gold for those over 16 years old.

Participants complete all four sections at each level to achieve their Award. At Gold level, participants also complete a residential project. At HNPS we plan to offer Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards which encourage personal discovery and growth, independence, perseverance and a responsibility to each student as well as their community, traits that are sought after by both universities and employers alike. Typically Grade 9 students will choose to take part in the Award, which requires students to complete four components: Service, Physical Recreation, Skill, Expedition (also known as the Adventurous Journey) and, for Gold, an additional longer residential component is required. An induction regarding the same would be conducted at the school premises.

IAYP as an international program

The Duke of Edinburgh's also known as International Awards for Young People. It is an exciting self-developmental programme available to all young people worldwide aged between 14 – 25 years. It equips them with life skills, builds their confidence and encourages them in their communities to make a difference to themselves and to the world. It is the world's leading achievements award for young people. The Award is tough but it is about individual challenge not about reaching specific standards set by someone else. They choose a service, physical and skills activity, go on an adventurous journey and to achieve a gold medal, take part in a Residential Project. There are 3 progressive levels, which when successfully completed leads to a Bronze, Silver, and Gold Award.

Implementation at HNPS

Four volunteer teachers from our school were trained to be award leaders, during the month of August i.e. is on 24,25 and 26th. It involved taking up seven certified courses and three days of intense online sessions. Not only our teachers were trained in but also our Principal sir lead the project by being the coordinator of the entire program himself. Under his meticulous guidance our school is now recognised as an Award Centre.

HNPS (Award leaders IAYP)

DR.OM SINGH CHUNDAWAT (AWARD CO-ORDINATOR)

MRS.AARTI DESHPANDE (AWARD LEADER)

MRS.PREET KAUR (AWARD LEADER)

MRS.NAIK KAVITHA KESHAV (AWARD LEADER)

MRS.BRUNDHA ILANGOVAN (AWARD LEADER)



As, this course got introduced in our school a-two days sessional orientation was being conducted for both parents and students at the school premises. Along with academics our teachers as award leaders were all geared up for oncoming registration from the students. Parents and students formed a bee line as they welcomed this innovative approach to streamline their busting energies of young adults.



INITIATION OF VOULANTARY SERVICE AT SCHOOL

Registered students were clustered into a group of five or four members each. They begin their journey of IAYP by commencing a voluntary service at school itself, wherein they assisted Primary teachers during CCA period.









As, Robert Frost quotes in his famous poetry 'The Road Not Taken'-

"Two roads diverged in a wood, and I—I took the one less travelled by, And that has made all the difference."

HNPS IAYP team continues to brim with lots of enthusiasm to tread the less trodden pathways.



