

ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT 2023 - 24.

"Distinguished Chief Guest, Guest of Honour, President, honourable dignitaries, esteemed parents, well-wishers, and students,

I am honoured to present the annual report for the academic session 2023-2024, with profound gratitude to God Almighty and to each of you.

As we conclude this academic year, I stand before you with heartfelt appreciation for the numerous blessings bestowed upon St. Arnold's School, Bagdehi. By God's grace, we have achieved remarkable milestones.

St. Arnold's School is an English medium school established and managed by The Divine Word Educational Society. It is popularly known by its short name The DWES. This society and its members are involved in Education and other humanitarian works like health care, communication, upliftment of the poor, leprosy eradication, care for the differently able, and the like, this school is one of the many schools the DWES is managing in India.

In spite of many doubts and speculations the school is slowly but steadily marching ahead. This academic session there are 305 students in the school which is up to class VIII. It is managed by 19 teachers consisting of 10- TGT; 7-PRT; NTT-2 teachers.

I wish to acknowledge and place on record the contribution made to the school by the congregation of the Handmaids of Mary. They have joined hands in this noble effort of education.

Curriculum:

"Our school follows the CBSE pattern and syllabus, while also emphasizing the importance of regional and national languages, offering Odia and Hindi as part of our curriculum. The school has been granted NOC on 28th July 2023.

We take great pride in our Indian heritage and celebrate significant national days, including Independence Day and Republic Day, with enthusiasm and patriotism. These events foster a sense of national unity and love for our motherland among our students.

In addition to national celebrations, we also observe Teacher's Day and Children's Day, recognizing the vital roles educators and students play in our community.

Regular Parent-Teacher meetings (PTM) provide a platform for constructive dialogue, ensuring collaborative efforts in shaping our children's educational journey. I extend my sincere appreciation to our parents for their unwavering cooperation and goodwill."

Talent development programmes:

Nurturing Young Talents

Our school is a vibrant haven where small talents flourish, providing a holistic education that fosters academic, physical, and social growth.

Academic Excellence

- Computer education from Class I
- Comprehensive curriculum emphasizing social health and wellness

Co-Curricular Enrichment

- Karate training for discipline and self-defence
- Dance classes for creativity and expression
- Physical education and yoga meditation for holistic development

Value Education

- Respect for parents, elders, and nature
- Inculcating good habits for a healthy, respectable life

Infrastructure Development

- School bus transportation facility, courtesy of the school
- Eco-friendly campus with lush gardens and greenery

Student Support

- Fee concessions for deserving students
- Free education for underprivileged students (as per government's Right to Education policy)

Accreditation

- Granted No Objection Certificate from the government

Philosophy

We believe that a child's growth and development thrive in a natural, serene environment surrounded by greenery.

Assessments and Evaluations

At our school, we believe that regular assessments are crucial to evaluate student performance and foster academic growth. Embracing the philosophy of Socrates, "An unexamined life is not worth living," we conduct comprehensive evaluations to:

Key Assessment Structure

- Two major assessments annually
 - First Term consisting of two Unit tests and Half – Yearly
 - Second Term consisting of two Unit tests and Annual Examinations

Purpose

These evaluations aim to:

- Measure student understanding and progress
- Identify areas for improvement
- Inform instruction and tailor teaching strategies
- Encourage student reflection and self-assessment
- Foster a culture of accountability and academic excellence

Benefits

Regular assessments enable our students to:

- Develop critical thinking and problem-solving skills
- Build confidence and resilience
- Set goals and track progress
- Receive timely feedback and guidance

By conducting thorough evaluations, we empower our students to reach their full potential and cultivate a lifelong love of learning.

Sports and Co-Curricular Activities

Although our current sports facilities are limited, we prioritize student well-being and organize annual sports events to provide mental relaxation and foster teamwork. These activities promote holistic development, complementing academic excellence.

Future Vision

Inspired by Robert Frost's poetic words, "Woods are lovely, dark and deep, but miles to go before we sleep, miles to go before we sleep," we embark on a journey to achieve our aspirations.

Our Promise

St. Arnold's School, Bagdehi, commits to nurturing students who will become:

- True citizens of their motherland
- Excelled in every field
- Confident, upright, and impactful individuals making a difference globally

Join us in shaping the future of our students.

"I appreciate your time and consideration. May God bless you, and Have a wonderful evening!"