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Dear Readers,

Welcome to this month's edition of our school magazine! As we turn the pages together, we celebrate the incredible achievements, creativity, and spirit of our student community.

This year has been filled with unique experiences, challenges, and triumphs that have shaped our school environment. From inspiring stories of perseverance to the vibrant artwork and thought-provoking essays submitted by our talented peers, this magazine reflects the diverse voices that make our school truly special.

We encourage you to explore the pages ahead, engage with the stories, and perhaps find inspiration for your own contributions in the future. Remember, this magazine is a platform for everyone, and we can't wait to see what you'll bring to the next edition.

Thank you to everyone who contributed their time and talent to make this magazine a reality.

Here's to celebrating our community and looking forward to all the adventures yet to come!

Happy reading!

Warm regards,

Zikra Shaikh & Shamburaj Nimse



Editor's Letter

Student Interview

Hello readers, in this month's magazine we have interviewed one of our students: Samruddhi Sonawne. So read about her and get inspired!

SHAMBHURAJ: When did you join the school?

SAMRUDDHI: I joined the school in 2010, starting from playschool. It's hard to believe I've been here for 15 years already! Time really flies when you're having fun.

SHAMBHURAJ: That's incredible! How has your journey been through all those years?

SAMRUDDHI: It's been amazing! Each year brought new experiences and challenges. I've grown so much, both academically and personally.

SHAMBHURAJ: What's your opinion about the discipline maintained in our school?

SAMRUDDHI: I think discipline is crucial. It helps us stay focused and accountable, which is essential for achieving our goals. It also creates a respectful environment. Do you find it helpful in your studies?

SHAMBHURAJ: Absolutely! It keeps me organized and motivated. Have you ever found it challenging to maintain discipline?

SAMRUDDHI: Definitely! There were times when balancing schoolwork and fun activities was tough. But I learned that having a routine really makes a difference.

SHAMBHURAJ: What would you like to say about your life at Barnes?

SAMRUDDHI: Barnes feels like my second home. I've created so many wonderful memories here. The friendships I've formed and the opportunities I've had to learn and grow have been invaluable.

SHAMBHURAJ: Lastly, what is one piece of advice that has really stuck with you during your time at Barnes?

SAMRUDDHI: One piece of advice that I carry with me is to always do good deeds and never miss a golden opportunity knocking at your door. It's a reminder to stay proactive and kind.



SHAMBHURAJ & ZIKRA: Hello, Sir! We're Zikra and Shambhuraj, student reporters from Barnesians Buzz. It's an absolute pleasure to have you with us today!

ZIKRA: Let's dive right in! First question—what year did you join Barnes, and what do you feel Barnes taught you?

MR. RICHARD: I joined Barnes in 1959, back when I was just a third grader. It feels like just yesterday! I was a prefect of Spence House and had quite the reputation as a boxer. I graduated in 1966. Looking back, I can confidently say that my time at Barnes shaped me into a person who can face anything life throws my way. Without that experience, I wouldn't be the person I am today. School taught me the importance of discipline and resilience.

SHAMBHURAJ: That's inspiring! What's your favorite memory from your time here?

MR. RICHARD: Oh, there are so many! But one memory that stands out is the time we used to sneak out of our dorms to go to the market at night. We'd gather up multiple counterpanes, tie them together to make a makeshift rope, and climb up and down the dormitory. The thrill of adventure was unforgettable!

ZIKRA: That sounds like a real adventure! How was your relationship with other students, including juniors, seniors, and day-scholars?

MR. RICHARD: We had a beautiful, brotherly bond. As boarders, we were like one big family, united through shared experiences. Our relationship with the day-scholars was fantastic too; we'd often share meals from their tiffins, creating a real sense of community.

SHAMBHURAJ: That's wonderful to hear! What changes have you noticed over the years, whether in food, students, or the overall atmosphere?

MR. RICHARD: Oh, there have been tremendous changes, especially regarding food! Back in my day, breakfast was simple—just bread and tea. For lunch, it was dal and rice, followed by bun and tea for an evening snack, and dal and bread for dinner. Now, the meals have definitely improved! As for the students, we were tough, fearless, and strong. I find that today's students are more pampered. I think the school could benefit from strengthening the boarding system—it could really make a difference in fostering resilience.

ZIKRA: Thank you so much for sharing your time and insights with us, Sir! Your experiences are truly inspiring.

SHAMBHURAJ: This is Zikra Shaikh and Shambhuraj Nimse, signing off. We hope to carry forward your legacy of strength and brotherhood!

Blame **Game**

When I was young
I was blamed
For playing the right game
After few years

I claimed it was all in vain
It came in the form of rain
Went through it
With beauty of brain

Learned, suffered, crippled
Raised with pain
People came with the wind
In the form of storm, in my lane

Some gave me warmth
Some gave me reasons
To grow with grace
It was a race

Between me and my experiences
Of segregation and lessons
Knowing things and people
Who are fake and worth

I knew I was late
To know this way
Trying to escape my fate

Holding my past it's a grief
In my heart not knowing
How to let go of the weight
I know someday I'll be great.



Sharon Mason

ARTWORK



Pushkar Khattar

All-Maharashtra Anglo-Indian Schools'

Athletic Meet 24'

(A Report By *Zikra Shaikh*)

The All-Maharashtra Anglo Athletic Meet was a two-day event held at Barnes School & Junior College on 18th and 19th October, 2024. An annual event that is all about fair play. Competition and most importantly true Sportsmanship.

Event: Annual All Maharashtra Inter-School Athletic Meet

Date: October 18th and 19th, 2024

Introduction:

The Annual All Maharashtra Inter-School Athletic Meet was held at the athletic field, bringing together Anglo-Indian schools from across the district to showcase their athletic talents. The event aimed to promote sportsmanship, teamwork, and physical fitness among students.

Participants:

Over 100 athletes participated, representing 5 different schools. Events ranged from track and field competitions to relays and field events.

Highlights:

1. Track Events: 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m & 1500m
2. Field Events: Throws & Jumps
3. Relay Races: Highlights a proud moment for the school which was the Anglos Athletics record being broken by our school's U19 boys.

Awards Ceremony:

Following the events, an awards ceremony recognized outstanding performances. Medals and trophies were awarded to the top three finishers in each event, and the overall championship trophy was awarded to Barnes School & Junior College for their exceptional performance across multiple events.

Conclusion:

The Annual Inter-School Athletic Meet was a resounding success, fostering a spirit of competition and camaraderie among students.

Acknowledgments:

Thank you to all the volunteers, coaches, and staff who made this event possible, as well as the families and friends who supported the athletes.

Anglo Athletic Meet



Other Events

At our school, the vibrant campus life extends far beyond the classroom, offering a multitude of activities that cater to a wide range of interests. From engaging activities and cultural events, there's something for everyone. These activities not only enrich the student experience but also foster friendships, build skills, and create lasting memories. Read about such extracurriculars and join us as we explore the dynamic world of activities that make our campus a lively and inclusive environment for all.

Socials (A formal dance)

This evening is all about lively music that sets the stage for unforgettable memories. From the moment attendees arrive, the atmosphere buzzes with excitement, laughter, and the thrill of dancing the night away. With opportunities to bond with peers, heartfelt moments, and connecting with friends.

Seminars:

1] Mental Health

The recent mental health seminar aimed to raise awareness, provide resources, and foster open discussions about mental well-being among students and staff. The event featured an expert speaker, interactive panel discussions making it an informative and engaging experience for all participants. The mental health seminar successfully created a supportive environment for students and staff to learn about and discuss mental health.

2] Career Counselling

The career counselling seminar aimed to equip students with the tools and knowledge needed to navigate their career paths effectively. Featuring an expert speaker, interactive session, and valuable resources, the event provided insights into various career options and the skills required to succeed. A dedicated resource provided information on internships, job shadowing opportunities, and local organizations offering career support. Participants expressed enthusiasm for the insights gained during the seminar. Many found the workshop particularly helpful in preparing for future job applications, while others appreciated the opportunity to connect with a professional. The career counselling seminar was a resounding success, fostering a proactive approach to career planning among students.

Garba night (Dussehra celebration)

The annual Garba Night held in celebration of Dussehra was a vibrant and festive event that brought together our school community to honour this cultural tradition. The evening was filled with lively music, colourful attire, and joyful dance, creating an atmosphere of unity and celebration. Students expressed their enjoyment of the event, highlighting the sense of community and cultural appreciation fostered by the celebration. The Garba Night celebration for Dussehra was a delightful success, showcasing the importance of cultural traditions in our school community. We look forward to continuing this celebration in the years to come and thank everyone who contributed to making the night memorable!

Being Alone

Aloneness is our real identity which we lose after meeting a crowd. We always remain alone; being alone is not being lonely. It's being able to do things on our own terms, without the input of other people. It's making decisions, getting to know yourself and having time and space to work out what we want in our life and what we don't want. It's a time for introspection that we all need time to time.

One can be happy alone if he/she knows how to live in aloneness. One needs to gather the courage to embrace aloneness. One simple suggestion, embrace present and that is only possible when we know ourselves.

Without knowing ourselves we can never be happy. So, to make this planet a perfect place to dwell, we need to depend sometimes on loneliness and ponder over the acts that will make our earth a perfect place for all the beings to live in harmony.

-Mr. Vijay Musale

SCIENCE FACTS!

Hot water will turn into ice faster than cold water.

An observation conducted in which a liquid (typically water) that is initially hot can freeze faster than the other liquid which is cold under similar conditions.

When the moon is directly overhead, you will weigh slightly less.

Yes, this is true, as per the calculation it is said that a person will weigh 0.48g lighter for a 100kg person. When the moon is directly overhead, they are going to weigh 0.5g lighter as the moon attracts you in the same way it attracts water when it makes tides.

Minus 40 degrees Celsius is exactly the same as minus 40 degrees Fahrenheit.

Indeed true, Celsius and Fahrenheit are two different temperature scales. The Fahrenheit and Celsius intersect at one point and they equal at -40°C and -40°F .

It is physically impossible for pigs to look up into the sky

The anatomy of a pig's neck muscles and spine has certain limitations to the movement of their head and restricts them to look upwards. This makes it impossible for them to look up straight to the sky.



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