

ST. THOMAS SCHOOL, RANCHI

DEBATE CLUB- A REPORT : SESSION 2013 -14

“God wove a web of loveliness,
Of clouds and stars and birds,
But made not anything at all,
So beautiful as words.”

----- **Anna H. Branch**

Education is not complete without exploring the creative talents of students. Debate gives children an opportunity to show their creativity and cognitive skills by giving shape to their fine ideas and vision. Debate develops their reasoning faculties, sharpens their wit and enhances their intelligence.

The 'Debate Club' of St. Thomas School organizes various events like Debate, Education and Declamation. It also sends students for similar events for inter-school activities. The club endeavours to recognize the articulate caliber of the students and to create good orators.

INTER-SCHOOL COMPETITIONS (ZONAL LEVEL)

- l) It was a proud moment for St. Thomas School, Ranchi, to host the **INTER SCHOOL ICSE/ISC ZONAL DEBATE COMPETITION** (2013-14) on the 30th of July, 2013.

Students from various schools of Ranchi, affiliated to ICSE, participated under the two categories

- Junior Category (Students of IX & X)
- Senior Category (Students of XI & XII)

Each school had to send one team comprising of two students under each category.

The Jury for the same was-----

- a) Dr. Shirley Philip – Director, Manglam Institute of Management, Ranchi.
- b) Dr. P. K. David – Head of the English Department, Gossner College Ranchi.
- c) Dr. Indira Banerjee – Assistant Professor, Department of English, Yogada College, Ranchi.

Dr. (Mrs.) Mariam Joseph – Vice Principal of St. Thomas School was the moderator of the event.

The topics for the debate was announced an hour before the actual date.

- i. Junior Category : Education without values is like adding fuel to fire.
- ii. Senior Category :

The lists of the winners are as follows :

SENIOR CATEGORY (Students of std. XI and XII)

1. Best Speaker for the Motion – Nishant Aishwarya, St. Thomas School.
2. Best Speaker against the Motion-Aditya Kumar, St.Thomas School.
3. Runner Up For the motion-Shannon Anoushka Khalkho, St. Xavier's School.
4. Runner Up For the motion- Neha Sinha, St. Xavier's School.
5. Best School (Team) – St.Thomas School, Ranchi.

JUNIOR CATEGORY (Students of Std. IX & X)

1. Best Speaker for the Motion-Vivek Gupta, St. Xavier's School
 2. Best Speaker against the Motion – Rajshekhar Halder, St.Xavier's School.
 3. Runner Up for the Motion – Souvik Paul, St.Anthony's School.
 4. Runner Up against the Motion – Aditya Sharma, St. Anthony's School and Gayatri, Bishop Westcott Girl's School, Namkom.
 5. Best School (Team) – St.Xavier's School, Ranchi.
- II) The '**INTER SCHOOL DEBATE COMPETITION**' was conducted by the Ranchi chapter of the **INDIAN INSTITUTE OF METALS at DPS School, Satellite Township, Ranchi on the 27th of April, 2013.**

The following students participated :

• **Category I (Students of IX & X)**

1. Vaishnavi Rishika of Std.IX
2. Nishant Joywardhan of Std. IX

• **Category II (Students of XI & XII)**

1. Aditya Kumar of Std. XII
2. Anoushka Sinha of Std. XII

Aditya Kumar won the second prize and Vaishnavi rishika won the third prize in their respective categories.

INTRA SCHOOL COMPETITIONS (AT SCHOOL LEVEL)

I. ELOCUTION FOR CLASSES I to IV

Two participants from each section were selected after a Preliminary Round conducted in the class. The poems for the final round were selected and given to the participants.

The Result of the Elocution Competition :

Group	Position	Winners
Std. I	First	Anchal Arora of I F
	Second	Raj Nandini of I (CBSE)
	Third	Chahek of I D
Std. II	First	Sarah Chakraborty of II D
	Second	Medha of II A
	Third	Prastut Mahtha of II B
Std. III	First	Ayush Pandey of III C
	Second	Mallika of III F
	Third	Shiva Shambhavi Mishra of III B
		& Manogya Bhardwaj of III D
Std. IV	First	Abhilasha of IV C
	Second	Nandini of IV F
	Third	Hanna Deol of IV E

II. DEBATE FOR CLASSES V to XI

Group	Position	Winners
Std. V	First	Aryan Bhattacharya of VE
	Second	Aulinee Sen of V A
		& Rimjhim Mukherjee of VE
	Third	Trisha of V B
Std. VI	First	Rasheeka Priyam of VI B
	Second	Arpit Anand of VI D
	Third	Hamdaan Ali of VI B
		& Sankalp Bhatia of VI F

Group	Position	Winners
Std. VII	First	Ishani Bose of VII E
	Second	Prashansa of VII D
	Third	Ishita Tulsyan of VII F
		&
		Akshita Muskan of VII C
Std. VIII	First	Kunal Roy of VIII C
	Second	Savyasachi Banerjee of VIII D
	Third	Gurmeet of VIII F
Std. IX	First	Aaryan Singh of IX E
	Second	Nishant Joywardhan of IX D
	Third	Kshitij Sahu of IX D
Std. X	No Participants	
Std. XI	First	Abdul M. Shadab of XI A
	Second	Ritik Bharati of XI C
	Third	Sashwat Shantanu of XI A

III. DECLAMATION FOR CLASSES VI to XI

Group	Position	Winners
Std. VI	First	Vedant Raj of VI F
	Second	Soumi Mitra of VI E
	Third	Muskan Pandey of VI D
		&
		Tanay Shankar of VI C
Std. VII	First	Shadman Shahid of VII A
	Second	Subhangi of VII A
	Third	Ishani Bose of VII E
		&
		Sarthak Wadhwa of VII F
Std. VIII	First	Yash Kumar of VIII C
	Second	Srishti Singh of VIII C
		&
		Aritra Mohanty of VIII F
	Third	Sudeshna Nayak of VIII F
Std. IX	First	Aryan Singh of IX E
	Second	Shaurya Shrivastava of IX E
	Third	Kshitij Sahu of IX D

Group	Position	Winners
Std. XI	First	Yash Srivastav of XI C
	Second	Yash Shahdeo of XI A
		&
		Ritik Bharti of XI C
	Third	Zaid of XI A
		&
		Saurabh Chatterjee of XI A

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