



**Vikash**

**First Step, Sambalpur**

***The Final Chapter of 2024***

**NEWSLETTER  
DECEMBER 2024**

# HIGHLIGHTS

- STAFF GET-TOGETHER
- NAVY DAY
- KHEL UTSAV
- PERIODIC TEST-II/III
- SCIENCE OLYMPIAD FOUNDATION
- OBJECTIVE PERIODIC TEST
- FARMERS' DAY
- CHRISTMAS EVE



**TECHNO**  
**Science Olympiad**

*Let's  
get  
Together*

As we bid farewell to the year, December has truly been a memorable and enriching month for our school. It was a time filled with diverse activities, academic milestones, and celebrations that brought the entire school community together.

The month began with a tribute to our nation's maritime heroes on Navy Day, where students learned about the significance of our naval forces and their vital role in national security. This was followed by the spirited Khel Utsav, which provided a platform for students to exhibit their athletic prowess, promoting teamwork and a healthy competitive spirit.

Academically, December was a period of rigorous assessments. The Periodic Test-II, III, Preboard-I, and the Objective Periodic Test were conducted smoothly, ensuring students were well-prepared for the challenges ahead. Additionally, many of our students participated in the SOF Olympiads, showcasing their academic excellence on a global platform.

To honor the backbone of our society, Farmers' Day was observed with great enthusiasm, helping students understand and appreciate the immense contributions of farmers to our nation. The month concluded on a festive note with a joyous Christmas Celebration, where the school resonated with the spirit of love, togetherness, and giving.

Our Staff Get-Together added a personal touch to this eventful month, fostering camaraderie and gratitude among our teaching and non-teaching staff. It was a heartwarming reminder of the strength of our team and their unwavering commitment to the school's growth.

As we prepare to welcome the new year, I extend my heartfelt gratitude to our students, staff, and parents for their continued support and dedication. May the coming year bring new opportunities, success, and happiness for everyone.

Warm Regards,

Dasari Shantha Chowdary

Principal

Vikash First Step School

# PRINCIPAL'S

# DESK



# STAFF GET-TOGETHER

December began on a refreshing note with a much-anticipated staff get-together. All teaching and non-teaching staff of VFS embarked on a delightful picnic to Deojharna, located on the outskirts of Sambalpur. The journey from the school to the picnic spot was filled with camaraderie and excitement, as everyone enjoyed the scenic bus ride through the countryside.

Deojharna, a pristine location nestled amidst mountains and lush landscapes, is renowned for its cascading spring and serene environment. The natural beauty of the place provided the perfect setting for relaxation and bonding. The staff explored the picturesque surroundings, capturing moments amidst the mesmerizing backdrop of the gushing spring, rolling hills, and verdant greenery.

Adding to the joy of the day was a delicious meal, lovingly prepared and served amidst the breathtaking scenery. The laughter, shared stories, and group activities made this picnic a truly unforgettable experience.

This outing not only strengthened the bond among the staff but also offered a rejuvenating break from their daily routine, leaving everyone energized and ready for the challenges ahead.



# NAVY DAY



Indian Navy Day  
Navy is not just a colour; it is a symbol of pride and valor for our nation, representing the strength and dedication of the Indian Naval Force. On 4th December, our school celebrated Navy Day with a meaningful assembly that combined patriotism and social awareness.

Indian Navy Day  
The programme began with students dressed in naval attire, who respectfully escorted the Principal from her office to the assembly, symbolising the discipline and honour associated with the Indian Navy. During the assembly, a few students shared thought-provoking quotations about Navy Day, emphasizing the importance of the naval force in protecting our nation.



Adding depth to the celebration, students performed a powerful skit addressing the issue of discrimination against disabled persons. Through their performance, they conveyed a strong message of inclusion, equality, and compassion, making the occasion even more impactful.

The event was a heartfelt reminder of the sacrifices made by the Indian Navy for our nation and the importance of upholding values of kindness and fairness in our society.





# KHEL-UTSAV

The much-awaited Athletic Meet took place in December 2024, fostering a spirit of sportsmanship and healthy competition among students. Various track and field events were held, showcasing the students' enthusiasm, energy, and talent.



The winners of these events were honoured during a grand prize distribution ceremony in December 2024. The principal, along with academic advisor, awarded medals, trophies, and certificates to the achievers, encouraging them to continue their journey of excellence in sports. The event concluded with cheers and applause, leaving behind a memorable chapter in the school's vibrant co-curricular activities.

# EXAM-YATRA

This was a significant month for academics with the successful conduction of Periodic Test-I, Periodic Test-II, and Pre-Board-I examinations. These assessments aimed to evaluate the students' learning progress and preparedness for the upcoming board examinations.



Students showcased their dedication and hard work during these exams, and teachers ensured a smooth and fair evaluation process. The results provided valuable insights for both students and educators, paving the way for strategic improvements and revisions as the academic year advances.

# $\pi$ SOF



The Science Olympiad Foundation (SOF) exam was successfully conducted this month. This prestigious competition aims to nurture scientific temperament and analytical skills among students. A significant number of participants from various classes showcased their enthusiasm and determination while attempting the challenging yet stimulating questions.

The exam provided an excellent platform for students to assess their conceptual understanding of science, logical reasoning, and problem-solving abilities at both national and international levels. The event not only encouraged healthy competition but also inspired students to explore the fascinating world of science and technology.

We extend our best wishes to all participants and look forward to their stellar performance in the results.





# OPT

This month VFS conducted the Objective Periodic Test as part of the Techno Curriculum framework. This test is designed to evaluate students' understanding of concepts through an objective approach, ensuring clarity in their fundamentals and fostering analytical thinking.



The Objective Periodic Test is an integral part of the Techno Curriculum, aimed at preparing students for competitive exams and enhancing their academic proficiency. The school appreciates the students' efforts and determination and looks forward to their continued success.



The test covered key subjects, emphasizing practical applications and conceptual knowledge. By focusing on objective-type questions, it encouraged students to think critically and respond accurately under time constraints.



# FARMERS' DAY

On 23rd December, Farmers' Day (Kisan Diwas) was celebrated with great enthusiasm to honor the backbone of our nation – the farmers. The event highlighted the significance of agriculture in our lives and the tireless efforts of farmers in sustaining the country.

The celebration began with an inspiring speech that shed light on the contributions of farmers and the need to support sustainable farming practices. A thought-provoking skit portrayed the challenges faced by farmers and emphasized the importance of gratitude towards them. Adding vibrancy to the occasion, students performed captivating dances and melodious songs that celebrated the spirit of rural life and agricultural heritage.

The event was a heartfelt tribute to the farmers and served as a reminder of their pivotal role in our society. It instilled a sense of respect and awareness among students, making the day memorable for everyone.



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# Christmas

The joyous spirit of Christmas filled Vikash First Step School on 23rd December as we celebrated Christmas Eve with enthusiasm and cheer. The event featured melodious Christmas carols and music that spread the message of love and harmony. A thoughtful speech highlighted the significance of the festival and its values of generosity, kindness, and togetherness.

The highlight of the program was the arrival of Santa Claus, played by one of our talented students. Santa's cheerful presence and delightful interaction with the children brought smiles to everyone's faces. The celebration created a festive atmosphere, leaving everyone with fond memories of the day.

It was indeed a heartwarming event, reminding us of the true spirit of Christmas and the joy of sharing.





# 1. Makar Sankranti



# 2. Republic Day



UPCOMING  
EVENTS