



NAVA NALANDA

TTIS

CELEBRATING 40 YEARS

A BRIEF HISTORY

NAVA NALANDA
MISSION EDUCATION, VISION VALUES.
SCHOOL MOTTO : SHAPING TOMMORROW
AFFILIATED TO : 1. WBBSE ,2.WBBHSC

Nava Nalanda launched upon its career on the 1st February, 1967 in a rented building at 25, Southern Avenue, Kolkata –700026. now renamed as “Nava Bhavan”

With gradual rise in roll strength, recognition as 10-Class High School was obtained in 1973 from the West Bengal Board of Secondary Education. The headlines were struck in 1980 with Amitesh Maity of the school occupying 4th rank in the Madhyamik Examination. He was followed in regular interval by more rank holders, namely, Indranil Mukherjee (11th in 1984), Sudipto Kundu (7th in 1991) Rajesh Bhattacharya (16th in 1993), Arijit Roychoudhury (10th in 1995), Toya Chatterjee (9th in 2002) and Tomoghno Biswas (3rd in 2005). Incidentally, Tamoghno’s name also appeared in the 4th position in the Higher Secondary Examination, 2007.

The Headmistress and the Management of Nava Nalanda believe in supplementing textual study by extra – textual activities of versatile nature, being aimed at complete development of juvenile faculties. This purpose is served by the Annual Educational Exhibition, the Teacher’s Day, the Independence/Republic Day Celebrations, the Wall Magazines, the periodic magazines entitled “The Heritage” for the senior students and “The Legacy” for the kids, the Annual ‘Nalandashree’ Competition consisting of Inter –school contests on debate, elocution, quiz, music, recitation, ‘sit and draw’ and essay – writing competitions.

The ‘Nalandashree’ Competitions can boast of having discovered a brilliant singer with bright prospects, **ANEK DHAR**, who has recently topped the contestants in the Sa-Re-Ga-Ma-Pa music competition in the Zee Bangla television channel.

Musical and dramatic programmes on the public stages of Rabindra Sadan, Kalamandir, Nazrul Mancha and on the television screen flower the budding talents of the school with plaudits from the audience, the viewers and the press.

These programmes include, to quote a few Rabindranath Tagore’s Suo –Ranir Sadh, Parir Parichay , Kalmrigaya, Pratham Puja, Chandalika, Chitrangada, Aruproton , Abanindranath Tagore’s Khirer Putul and Rajkahini . Michael Madhusudan Dutt’s Meghnad badh Kavya, the epic Mahabharata and others. The boulevard on Southern Avenue, in front of Nalanda Bhavan, has become famous in the city for its Annual ‘Rabindrasmaran’ festival on the 25th of Baishakh, which is enriched with dance programmes of the Nava Nalanda, children combined with solo performances by renowned specialists in Tagore songs and poems.

The interest of Nava Nalanda students in games and sports is testified by their commendable team performances in inter-school cricket, football, table tennis, swimming and rowing. Two invitation trips to Bangladesh by Nava Nalanda cricket team rank among the memorable games events of the school. On the level of individual performances, the school can boast of its ex-students, Raja Venkat (School Final, 1975), the ex-cricket Captain of Bengal, and Poulami Ghatak (Madhyamik_2000), thrice national champion in table tennis.

Service to humanity always goes along with Nava Nalanda’s name, and this drew Nava Nalanda close to **MOTHER TERESA**, who graced the school with her presence on its foundation day, the 1st February , 1997.

Since July , 1991 a separate unit of the school has been running at Shantiniketan, which now stands on a magnificent self-owned building on 6^{1/2} bighas of land at the Andrews Palli, with about 500 students.



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LOCATION OF THE SCHOOL :

AT KOLKATA:

- 1.25,SOUTHERN AVENUE, KOLKATA- 700026: DIAL 2466-3711/2465-1816
2. 24, KABIR ROAD, KOLKATA-70026 : DIAL : 24651777
3. 68, LAKE AVENUE, KOLKATA-700026 : DIAL : 2465-9498
4. 2F, BOWALI MONDAL ROAD, KOLKATA- 700026 : DIAL : 2464-6542
5. 192, JODHPUR PARK , KOLKATA- 70068 : DIAL : 2412-8638
6. 2/1, GOBINDAPUR ROAD, KOLKATA – 700045 :
DIAL : 2417-6111/55486088.
7. 162/B/193, LAKE GARDENS, KOLKATA – 700045 : DIAL :55408202
8. 55/5, PURNADAS ROAD, KOLKATA- 700029. DIAL : 2464-5112.

AT BOLPUR:

9. RATANPALLI, SANTINIKETAN
10. SHYAMBATI, SANTINIKETAN
11. ANDREWS PALLI, NAVA NALANDA ROAD, SANTINIKETAN.

THE HEADMISTRESS, MRS . BHARATI MITRA ANSWER THE QUERRIES OF TTIS

1. **What should be the role of a Principal today?**
 - The Principal has to look after the all- round development of the institution, create a healthy and happy atmosphere – and build up a family bond among the students, teachers , non-teaching staffs , the guardians and the well wishers.
2. **What do you feel, make up complete education?**
 - Nava Nalanda has its strong footing on the ground built by Rabindranath Tagore. His thoughts on education were based on happy notes, tinged with colours of festivals of different variety. Nava Nalanda follows the same line. It combines cultural activities with textual study. It believes that its students will shine the brightness of a thousand suns, bloom like lotuses with a thousand petals and will possess a pleading personality with a cultured mind.
3. **Do you really feel examinations are necessary?**
 - Yes . they are , but certainly not at the cost of all enjoyments and recreations through out the year.
- 4 . **What is your opinion on corporal punishment?**
 - Corporal Punishment is never desirable. Unwarranted activities are certainly to be controlled strongly, but with affection.
5. **Do you feel students are overburdened with home work these days?**
 - Homework has its usefulness, so long as it is within limits. Home work must be based on lessons imparted in the class room , and class lessons must be imparted in such manner that the student does not require any help at home.
6. **What is your opinion on the present education system ?**
 - The question as to whether the new system is good or bad, can be judged by posterity alone. Only after the system will have passed its experimental stage. But , whatever new is introduced , it must be smooth enough to be accepted by the young ones happily , and not with fright. The education system must have its footing on the old root , sprouting new leaves. It must be based on a blending of ancient tradition and new thoughts.
7. **Any comments on TTIS?**
 - The TTIS is doing a good job by bringing the activities of different schools to limelight and focussing on the performances of outstanding students. This should inspire others.

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HEADMISTRESS : SMT. BHARATI MITRA	
EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATION :	M.A(HISTORY)
FAVOURITE SUBJECT :	HISTORY/BENGALI LITERATURE
FAVOURITE TEACHER :	SRI SUSOVAN SARKAR (HISTORY)
FAVOURITE AUTHOR :	RABINDRANATH TAGORE/ BUDDHADEB BOSE
FAVOURITE BOOK :	MAHABHARATA (EPIC)
HOBBIES :	READING BOOKS/ SCRIPT WRITING.
MOTTO :	UPHOLDING TRADITION.

THE 40 TH BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The publication of a colourful calendar of 2007, portraying drawings by the students and an informative school diary for the students marked the ushering of the 4th decade of the school. This was followed by the inauguration of new school badge with a new motto of – **SHAPING TOMMORROW** .

The **40 th** birthday anniversary of Nava Nalanda was celebrated in a gorgeous manner on the 1st February , 2007 at the boulevard opposite to **Nalanda Bhavan** .

Prof . Ujjal Basu , President , West Bengal Board of Secondary Education, attended as the Guest –In-Chief , with eminent educationist Sri Lakshminarayan Roy and the celebrated singer Sm. Suchitra Mitra, both close friends of this institution since its inception , occupying the seats of Special Guests , Smt Suchitra Mitra lighted the ceremonial lamp and declared the year long series of festival open.

This was followed , on the **4th February** , by the felicitation of the Teachers , also on the same boulevard. The occasion was highlighted by some unique scenes of jubilation, expressed through songs and dances by the Teachers themselves. The felicitation was climaxed by a sumptuous dinner for the Teachers on 18th February at the, Far Pavilion, Tollygunge Club.

Meanwhile , on the **11th February** , a majestic day –long programme , consisting of open air dances to various regional tunes and nursery rhymes , followed by an atheletic meet , was held at the Rabindra Sarobar Stadium in the presence of about 8000 guardians students and ex-students.

The 3-day long Rabindra Jayanti celebration started on 9th of May at 6am at the Nalanda prangan with 6000 odd audience and performances by 400 students and teachers and ex-students combined and also by eminent exponents of tagore’s songs and poems. This was followed by programmes at Nazrul Manch on 12th & 13th of May, 2007, in the evening , also by the students and some reputed institutions in front of a packed audience. Eminent artistes like Srikanta Acharya, Indranil Sen, Indrani Sen, Manoj Murali Nayar, Promita Mullick , Swagatlakshi Dasgupta, Mohan Singh, Bratati Bandopadhyay etc. rendered tribute to Tagore .

A social service programme was organized on **21st August**. Students from Nursery to Higher secondary section contributed with old clothings, money and other gift items and these were taken amidst a huge procession to different social welfare institutions like The Red Cross Society, The missionaries of charity, Bharat Sevasram , Voice of the world, Thakuirpukur cancer centre etc. by the students in trucks.

Inter- school 5-A-0 side football tournament was next in the programme schedule on **27th, 28th & 29th November**. 16 renowned schools like South Point, Patha Bhavan, Ballygunge Govt. high school, Nripendranath Institution, Tirthapati Institution, South Suberban school etc. participated in this 3-day long tournament. Sri Chuni Goswami, Sri Prasanta Banerjee were present at the final to cheer the budding players.



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FORTHCOMING PROJECTS : 40TH YEAR CELEBRATION)

1. INTER-SCHOOL COMPETITIONS.-
CRICKET/FOOTBALL/QUIZ/DEBATE/DRAWING/ANTAKSHARI/MUSIC.
2. SEMINAR
3. NAVA NALANDA MELA
4. CLASSICAL CONCERT.
5. ANNUAL DANCE DRAMA

ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE IN PUBLIC EXAMS:

MADHYAMIK EXAMINATION , 2007

Total appeared –406 , 1st Divn –371: 2nd Divn –35: Star-215,
Highest marks –771(96.4%) secured by Sourabh Banerjee.

HIGHER SECONDARY EXAMINATION ,2007

Total appeared – 186 ,75% and above –113,
Highest marks –452 (90.4%) secured by Tamoghno Biswas , ranking 4th in West Bengal and the first among candidates from Kolkata.
Second Highest – Sudipto Tung-442, ranking 14th in West Bengal and 8th among the candidates from Kolkata.

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JEWELS OF THE YEAR:

TAMOGHNA BISWAS

3rd in Madhyamik, 2005, 4th in Higher Secondary, 2007 – topping the list of Kolkata candidates on both occasions.

ANEK DHAR

Winner of “Sa-Re-Ga-Ma-Pa” music competition , 2007 in Zee Bangla television channel.

ADMISSION PROCEDURE

1. **TO NURSERY –I** : AGE : 3YRS 4MONTHS PLUS
(APPLICATION TO BE SUBMITTED IN SEPTEMBER,ADMISSION ON THE BASIS OF ADMISSION TEST).
2. **TO CLASS –XI**(science/eco-stats-maths/arts) : on the basis of marks secured after the publication of CLASS-X results)