

## **Annual Prize Giving Ceremony, The Asian School, Dehradun**

The 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Prize Giving Ceremony was held on May 18, 2018 at the White House Court of The Asian School, Dehradun. A large number of Asianites received awards as a mark of recognition for maintaining consistency in achieving excellence in academics in all examinations. A distinctive criterion has been devised in the school to enlist the students who have secured 90% marks in three subjects out of six subjects. The school also gives commendation awards to students who are otherwise weak and have shown consistent improvement in the year in their academic achievements.

A total of 506 Asianites received the Awards with 133 students receiving the most coveted Governor's Award, 201 Principal's Award and 106 students receiving the Teacher's Award. 66 were found eligible for the HRT's Award.

The Award Ceremony began with the lighting of the traditional ceremonial lamp by the Governor of Uttarakhand Dr. Krishan Kant Paul.

It was followed by the welcome address by the Director Mr. Gagan Jyot Juneja.

Addressing the audience later on, Governor Dr. K. K. Paul congratulated the students and their teachers for putting up a wonderful show which proved how zealously they all had worked for the performance. Dr. Paul advised the children to work hard in order to succeed in life and face the challenges. He quoted Ex- President A.P.J. Kalam and said, 'Dreams are not what you see when you are asleep, dreams are those that don't let you sleep.' He also added that the students were lucky to have the guidance from their teachers in school which will help them later in lives and keep them in good stead.

The chief guest was felicitated and was presented a memento by Mr. Amarjeet Singh, President, The Asian School.

A delightful short series of dance and musical performance by the students enchanted the audience with their sublime energy of rhythm and melody. The Choir and the song 'Ekla Chalo Re' by Gurudev Rabindra Nath Tagore motivated the students to face the challenges steadfastly. The highlight of the show was the dance performance 'Mahishasur Mardini' which mesmerized the audience with their captivating fluid dance movements and synchronized steps.

Earlier, the Annual Academic report for the year 2017 – 18 was read out by the Principal, Mr. A. K. Das. The Principal highlighted the importance of parent teacher association in building the child's confidence and making him/ her an effective self learner. He also advised the parents to expose the children to rich culture and tradition of the nation and consider this as an evolved family exercise.

The function was attended by Mr. Madanjeet Singh, Vice President, The Asian School, Director, Ms. Gunjan Juneja, Vice Principal, Mr. Anant V.D. Thapliyal, Head Middle School, Mr. Mukesh Nangia & Headmistress, Ms. Kalpana Grover, Mrs. Geeta Das and the entire faculty and parents. The programme was jointly compered by Asmita Srivastava & Juhi Gautam and attended by parents, students and the entire faculty. The grand ceremony concluded with the Vote of Thanks proposed by the Head Girl, Manisha Gupta this was followed by the National Anthem.

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