

He who plants a tree, plants a hope”

-Lucy Larcom

NSS Unit plants trees in Adharwadi jail premises

It is a sole objective of NSS to utilize their knowledge in finding practical solutions to individual and community problems increasing crime in the society in confining more criminals in jail. Planting a tree not only beautifies the place but also generates hope in the minds of ‘Y’ generation. With this strong vision of making Kalyan a better place to live in the NSS Unit of Birla College organized a *Tree Plantation Drive* on 4th August 2017 in Adharwadi Jail premises. Mr. Sadaphule, Superintendent, Adharwadi Jail also actively participated in the same. Around 150 students joined hands in enhancing the jail premises by planting 200 samplings. The activity was well coordinated by Dr. Mahadeo Yadav.



Dr. Naresh Chandra, Principal, Birla College encouraging tree plantation drive

Eco Friendly Ganesh Festival

“Size doesn’t matter but devotion does, keep festival simple and eco- friendly”- Dr. Tawde

Festivals are the best means to inculcate new thoughts in future citizens. So the Department of Environmental Sciences teaches the importance of nature by celebrating the *Ganpati festival* in an *Eco-Friendly* manner. The festival was celebrated on 25th and 26th August 2017 with great enthusiasm. The Ganesh murti (idol) was made of clay and the decoration was based on theme of Best out of Waste. The decoration was made using waste papers, discarded plastics and CD’s

On 25th, the idol was emplaced at the hands of Dr. Sonal Tawde, Incharge, Department of Environmental Science. The students also performed Aarti and distributed sweets on both the days.

On 26th August, the immersion of Lord Ganesh was done in a bucket of water. Next day, the dissolved clay was spread around the trees in the college campus. The main motto of the festival celebration was to create awareness for this generation about the protection of environment through eco-friendly activities. The legacy is continued from past 13 years. The celebration was successfully managed by Ms. Vandana Gupta from Department of Environmental Science.



Principal Dr. Naresh Chandra appreciating the work done by the students during the Ganesh festival

Sports do not build character. They reveal it.

-Heywood Broun

Inter- Collegiate Cross Country Race Steered on National Sports Day

Sports is an indispensable part of Education. 29th August is observed as National Sports Day. Marking this occasion, University of Mumbai organized an **Inter Collegiate Cross Country Race** for Men and Women. The event was organized in association with Birla College.

650 sports persons included 150 women students and 500 men students from 88 different colleges participated in the competition that began at 6:30 am. Birla School Gate marked the starting and the finishing point for the race.

Birla College bagged 9 Silver medals in men category and 6 silver medals in women category.

Shri O.R. Chitlange, Business Head, Century Rayon and MD Century Enka Ltd, Chairman Governing Council of Birla School and Birla College, and Shri Subodh Dave, Joint President, Century Rayon, Prof. Dr. Devanand Shinde Vice-Chancellor, Shivaji University and In-Charge Vice Chancellor, University of Mumbai were the chief guest for Prize distribution ceremony.

Prof. Devanand Shinde, In-Charge, Vice Chancellor, University of Mumbai flagged off the running competition for men and Shri Subodh Dave, Joint President (P&A), Century Rayon flagged off the running competition for women.

The whole event was guided by Dr. Naresh Chandra, Former Pro-Vice Chancellor, University of Mumbai and Principal, Birla College, Kalyan.



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Prize Distribution Ceremony at the hands of Shri O. R. Chitlange, Business Head Century Rayon and MD Century Enka Ltd, Chairman, Governing Council of Birla School and Birla College



Active participation of students inspite of heavy rains