

REPORT ON ARMY DAY CELEBRATION
15 JANUARY, 2020

A SALUTE TO THE UNMATCHABLE VALOUR



“Quartered in snow, silent to remain. When the bugle calls, they shall rise and march again.”

~The Scroll of Honour at the Siachen Base Camp

On the occasion of the nation's 72nd Army Day, the students of Grade VII and VIII went to Hon. Captain Sunder Singh Stadium on Wednesday, 15 January, 2020; to be a part of the solemn and intrepid event showcased by the army of the cantonment board.



Though the day was engulfed by the sour winter fog but the keen and elated spirits of the enthusiastic students dampened the weather. The grand event started with the display of a gallant and synchronized parade that kept the onlookers transfixed at the remarkable swinging of the sturdy arms and feet in tandem. The parade ended with a final display to the tune of the patriotic song - 'Vande Mataram'.





The next thrilling part came with a remarkable exhibit by the horse riders, who displayed the horses soaring and galloping in full swing, running past and jumping over hurdles as if crossing a puddle! One could really feel the bond between the rider and the horse was certainly skin deep.



The audience further witnessed the Indian martial art and fighting style with its origin from Kerala - 'Kalaripayattu'. The gripping art form included attacking and defensive patterns which included strikes, kicks, grappling, preset forms etc. using daggers, swords, shields, spears, mace and urumi. The raw power and strength was visible in the relentless vigour showed during stunts using fire and tubelights.



The final display was by the strongly built musclemen who exhibited 'Mallakhamb', performing aerial yoga postures on a vertical stationary pole. The students could be seen cheering up the most and shouting 'Oohooye!' in unison with the leading commander of the Mallakhamb.

The day came to an end by an eloquent oration by GOC Major General Amit Loomba enlightening the gathering with the significance of the day. He advised the young minds to uphold and honour the integrity of the nation in all their deeds. He also presented awards to the ingenious personnels.



The stadium reverberated with patriotic fervor as the students went back to their schools.