

**BARNES SCHOOL & JUNIOR COLLEGE
CIRCULAR**

Monday, 30th December 2024

BS/CIRC/2024-2025/16

Dear Parents,

A lot has taken place since our last circular to you dated 23rd October 2024. Some of the noteworthy events that took place were:

October 2024

1. A Sports Day for the Pre-Primary Section was introduced on Thursday, 24th October 2024, in the presence of Mr. Abhishek Mani Tripathi, the Chief Executive Officer of the Cantonment Board, Devlali, who graced the event as the Chief Guest.
2. The Primary School Sports Day followed in quick succession on Saturday, 26th October 2024, featuring spectacular class drills, marchpast and track events like flat races & shuttle races, as well as a relay race and a jovial parents' race, which were thoroughly enjoyed by the Chief Guest, Mr. Mahesh Devadiga, an alumnus of ours and owner of Sonu's Hardcore Gym.
3. An Open House for Nursery to Grade 9 & 11 was held on Friday, 25th October 2024 for parents to meet teachers of their children and have a look at their performance during the Half Yearly Examinations.

November 2024

1. On Wednesday, 6th November 2024, our teachers attended a POCSO (Protection of Children from Sexual Offences) session presided by Adv. Sachin Bhate, who has been practicing criminal law since 2005 and is an expert on POCSO, cyber security for children and issues involving rising juvenile crimes.
2. Students of Grades 9 to 12 underwent training for a Fire Drill on Tuesday, 12th November 2024, conducted by representatives of the Cantonment Board, Devlali.
3. Children's Day on Thursday, 14th November 2024 was made a memorable day for students with a special morning assembly to mark the beginning of this much-awaited occasion.
4. Our boarder students felt the onset of winter on Saturday, 30th November 2024 as they spent time with friends, comforted by the warmth of a bonfire, courtesy of our maintenance team.

December 2024

1. Students of Grades 9 & 11 attended a presentation by Commander Joshi & Gp Capt I. V. K. Rao on Wednesday, 4th December 2024, familiarizing them with the process of joining the Army, Air Force or Navy.

2. The Senior School Athletic Meet on Friday, 6th December 2024 was a day of pride as our relay team comprising of Shriniwas Patil, Adil & Kadil Sangma and Jaeden Anthony won the Invitational Relay competition which involved the participation of Wisdom High International School, the Agniveers of the neighbouring Air Force Station and jawans of the Arty Centre, with Lt. Gen. Navneet Singh Sarna, Commandant, School of Artillery, present as our esteemed Chief Guest.
3. As part of our Centenary Celebrations, our students were part of a Cleanliness Drive and distribution of tea, coffee & biscuits to travellers on the Ghoti Road, held as a gesture of goodwill on Tuesday, 10th December 2024, to mark the countdown of 50 days to our 100th Founder's Day Service on Wednesday, 29th January 2025.
4. "The Journey of Barnes", the Annual Play held on Friday, 20th December 2024 was a grand depiction of the birth of Barnes and the transformations that the school has gone through since the time of its inception.
5. A thanksgiving function as a token of gratitude to our Support Staff was held on Sunday, 22nd December 2024, which had them joyfully participate in exciting games & friendly competitions on the School Basketball Court, followed by lunch in the School Mess.

Dates to keep in mind

1. School reopens from Thursday, 9th January 2025 after the Winter Break (with boarders scheduled to return on Wednesday, 8th January 2025).
2. Open House on Saturday, 11th January 2025 for all classes, from 9:00 am to 12:30 pm

3. Preliminary Examinations

Grade	Begin From	End on
Grade 12	Friday 10 th January 2025	Tuesday, 21 st January 2025
Grade 10	Friday 10 th January 2025	Saturday, 25 th January 2025

4. Final Examinations

Grade	Begin From	End on
Grade 12	Thursday, 13 th February 2025	Wednesday, 2 nd April 2025
Grade 10	Tuesday, 18 th February 2025	Thursday, 27 th March 2025

Tentative dates for the Final Examinations for classes other than 10 & 12 are from Tuesday, 4th March 2025 to Saturday, 15th March 2025.

5. Monday, 27th January 2025 – Annual School Fete
6. Wednesday, 29th January 2025 – 100th Founder's Day

Fees

Fees for the last quarter (January 2025 to March 2025) will be due and must be paid before Friday, 10th January 2025.

We thank parents that have cleared fees for their children and request others to kindly clear the same before the due date.

Nearing the end of this calendar year, I would like to thank all parents for their support and understanding throughout the year, which helped us bring the best out of our students so that they could perform to their true potential, backed by dedication and sincere efforts of our teachers. The end of another successful year is a result of the combined contribution of each one of us, working hand-in-hand as a unit towards a common goal.

Wishing you a happy, healthy and peaceful New Year!

Thank you.

Sincerely,



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