#### VISUAL ARTS

The Visual Arts department of our school is known for its creativity, innovation, growing skills and new flowing ideas. We try to make every student strive towards success and prosperity in their field. The Founders' this time portrayed the art and craft culture of different states across India. Every semester a magazine called 'ORCHID' encapsulating all spheres of growth and achievement in fields of both art and craft, design and technology is published. As the academic year progressed, all students explored their passions, visions and interests in what they could create. One of the highlights of our tenure was organising and curating the Inter-School art and design fest - SRIJANYAM. This was a huge platform for us to showcase the diverse talents of our fellow artists and also the ones who travelled from eleven other schools across the country. It was an overwhelming opportunity to interact with these artists along with their creative and unique creations. The theme for "Srijanyam 2023" was based on the culture of the north-eastern states. We have worked hard to create an inviting and encouraging atmosphere to appreciate everyone who engaged with our activity and we will always continue to do so.





Standing Row 2 (L to R): Aayat Hazarika, Kritartha Koushik, Trisha Sisodia, Lairingdi Thaosen, Dhruv Prithani, Pranjal Jaiswal

Standing Row 1 (L to R): Shreeya Elangbam, Divyana Lahan, Dharini Karwa, Anvita Dey, Smriti Kishan, Kashvi Agarwal, Lavanya Garodia, Madhurjya Madhab, Devanshi Deka, Priyam Bagaria

Seated (L to R): Thejose Epao, Awanya Jasrasaria, Dhwani Deorah, Mr. Bijit Das, Ms. Priyanka Joshi, Ms. Mampi Das, Mr. Rounak Patra, Pratiksha Choudhury, Tanishka Sharma







The Assam Valley School

# Dance









The AVS Dance School has had a remarkable year, with students surpassing their previous achievements and setting new standards. The school takes pride in continuing its legacy of excellence. Even the younger dancers have shown immense dedication and skill, raising the bar for the entire community.

Currently, the Dance School offers training in four forms: Sattriya, Kathak, Odissi, and Western. Several students appeared for the National Sattriya, Kathak and Odissi examinations, with 28 students participating in Sattriya, 10 in Odissi and 2 in Kathak.

The Dance School also organised the Rongali Utsav at AVS in May. The celebration included traditional Bihu group dances, performances of Assamese songs, and a showcase of ethnic Assamese attire.

In the Indian Public Schools Conference (IPSC) held at Birla Vidya Mandir, Nainital, the AVS Dance School participated in four dance style categories and a Sattriya duet performed by Abhinashni Baruah from Class 11. Diksha Baruah from Class 12 received an Outstanding Performance Award in the Classical Duet category. The school also secured an outstanding performance award for Folk Fusion performed by Pratiti Barua, Myskina Deka, Ruhi Kalita and Jupitora Das.

The AVS Dance School contingent participated in various events across the country, including the All-India Pune Fest organised by Akhil Bharatiya Sanskrutik Sangh. The participants brought laurels in 22 categories. The recently concluded Inter-House Dance Competition showcased healthy competition among the four houses, with Bhoroli-Lohit and Subansiri-Namdang sharing the first position in the classical group category, Kopili-Dhansiri emerging as the winner in the Folk category with their Garba dance and Subansiri-Namdang securing the first position in the final category with their unique theme.

The AVS Dance School continues to flourish, nurturing talent and achieving remarkable milestones in various dance forms.









# Round Square



The Round Square network is a global community of 200 schools in 50 countries, dedicated to character education and experiential learning. These schools share a commitment to six themes: International Understanding, Democracy, Environmental Stewardship, Adventure, Leadership and Service and sustainability (IDEALS).

At The Assam Valley School, the Intra-School Round Square Conference organized by the Round Square Committee, focused on the theme, *Practising and Cherishing the Roots of Kindness*. Students discussed the importance of democracy and its impact on society, guided by keynote speakers and alumni. The conference aimed to instill a sense of duty towards their school, home, country and the planet.

The school also participated in various Inter-School events, including the Interfaith Conference, Virtual International Collaboration Conference with Millennium School in Dubai and the First Step Symposium on Green Labels. Students gained valuable insights and learning experiences through RS zoom postcard calls and other collaborative eactivities.

The third edition of 'Cela Fiesta', a conference celebrating art, was

The third edition of 'Cela Fiesta', a conference celebrating art, was also organized by The Assam Valley School. Schools from around the world participated, showcasing their talents in categories such as poetry, disguise, character portrayal and more. Renowned author Ms. Rashmi Narzary delivered the keynote speech, inspiring students to explore new ideas and expressions. In addition, students represented the school at Round Square Conferences hosted by Lawrence School, Sanawar and Sunbeam School, Varanasi. They engaged in discussions and activities centered around themes of sustainable happiness and achieving dreams.









Through active participation in Round Square events and collaborations, The Assam Valley School continues to foster a culture of global understanding, leadership, and service among its students.

#### The Round Square Committee



Standing Row 2 (L to R): Nabadeep Deka, Hana Ahmed, Sanchi Lalani, Diksha Baruah, Veesaj Goswami Standing Row 1 (L to R): Shreeya Elangbam, Vidhi Choudhury, Divyana Lahan, Ojasvi Agarwal, Srishti Bajaj, Gungming Phassang Seated (L to R):Ansala Phurailatpam, Ms. Pooja Borah, Dr. Amit Jugran, Priyanu Kashyap, Richa Basaiawmoit

## DEBATING SOCIETY



The Athenaeum, the society for debating and global awareness at The Assam Valley School, endeavours to inculcate the ability to interpret, challenge and be well informed on any subject from different perspectives while the students learn how to present their point of view to persuade and change.

In the summer semester of the year 2023-24, the Inter-House English debates witnessed Jinari-Manas as the winner for Upper School with Bhoroli-Lohit bagging second position and Kopili-Dhansiri as winner for Lower School.

Priyanu Priyanka Kashyap, Srishti Bajaj, Ahsash Agarwal, Norzin Lhamu Bhutia and Natasha Billimoria represented the school at the Shri Debates 2023, hosted by the Shri Ram School, Moulsari.

Hana Shanifer Ahmed, Anikaith Anant Joshi, Aayar Hazarika and Anukriti Kashyap participated in the Claude Martin Debates. Hana





Shanifer Ahmed was awarded the Best Speaker in all the three preliminary rounds of the debates. Inter-House Hindi debates were held in the summer semester with Subansiri Namdang bagging the first position in Upper School and Kopili-Dhansiri in Lower School.

The 18th edition of the East India Debates was held from September 13th to 16th September. The event saw twelve teams fighting it out for the trophy of Athena. Team Green of The Assam Valley School was represented by Priyanu Priyanka Kashyap, Srishti Bajaj, Hana Shanifer Ahmed and Ojasvi Agarwal and team blue was represented by Aayat Hazarika, Norzin Bhutia, Aakanksha Kumar and Anushka Jitani. St. George's College, Mussoorie won the tournament with Bishop Cotton School, Shimla in second position. Priyanu Priyanka Kashyap was adjudged as the Best Speaker of the tournament.



## East India Debates









#### The AVS Debating Society



Standing Row 2 (L to R):

Aayat Hazarika, Anikaith Joshi, Aakanksha Kumar, Kunal Sahewalla, Anushka Jitani, Saanchit Agarwal, Ahsash Agarwal, Aanavi Ghosh

Standing Row 1 (L to R):

Norzin Bhutia, Tasmin Ahmed, Anukriti Kashyap, Aanya Sarkar, Shabahat Ansari, Ojasvi Agarwal, Natasha Billimoria, Zaheen Shah, Jignasa Bora, Kanyaka Tamuli, Pratiti Barua

