

Report - Summer Adventure Camp at School

Date: 6th to 11th May, 2024

Place: Pawar Public School, Nanded City

It all began even before the dawn of the first day. Our enthusiasm was at its peak and we didn't sleep a wink on the night prior, everyone eagerly awaiting the exciting journey that lay ahead of us.

We reported to the camp at 5:45 a.m., and were introduced to our Head Instructor: Mr Jayant Dofe. Having served as an Air Force personnel, he was very experienced. His personality exuded a sense of strength and formidability, leaving us in awe.

After some fun **warm up exercises**, Jayant Sir outlined the plan for the next 5 days. Then, we were split into two groups to instill a sense of sportsmanship from the get go. The instructors taught us how to **march in a parade** along with **shooting** a 0.2 deluxe rifle, pistol, artillery, lathi-kathi and martial arts. Each of us had our blood pumping and spirits high for what was to come.

After relishing our lunch, we were given some time to interact with the Head Instructor during which we asked him questions about everything we could think of. He patiently answered all our questions giving us sense of satisfaction. After a long day of physical exercise and fun, we called it a day.

The activities scheduled on the second and the third days looked quite similar to the first but we advanced our skills with each activity.

On the fourth day, we started practising demos for **Lathi-Kathi and martial arts**. These demos were going to be performed on the 6th day, in front of our friends and family.



The fifth day, in all honesty, was the highlight of the training as we were going to **stay at school in tents** overnight. We had a mock practice session for our final demo. That evening, we were given different tasks like chopping vegetables, cleaning the surrounding, collecting bricks and wood for a fire to name a few.

We had to make three food items - fruit salad, vegetable salad and tawa pulav. Then, we were given 4 topics, based on which the groups had to perform a series of impromptu acts such as skit, dance, poem recitation and singing songs. We had a hearty meal, danced our hearts out, and cleaned the area with broad smiles underneath the stars beginning to peek out in the sky, retiring to sleep in our respective tents.



The next day, when the parents arrived, we performed the eagerly awaited demos. They were received warmly, with great appreciation and applause from fellow peers as well as all the parents. Apart from this, we had many fun drills, such as Matka drill dance and Badlu Ram dance, which were truly entertaining.

It was indeed an incredible experience working with the professionals for six days. As take aways, we carried along with us values like leadership, the importance of unity, friendship and teamwork. We enjoyed every moment at the camp and hope to get the opportunity again.



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