ABOUT SHIMLA PUBLIC SCHOOL



Mr. Pritpal Singh & Mrs. Harjit Kaur

Shimla Public School is listed amongst the best schools in Shimla and also very popular for International students. It is known to be an advanced place to educate children in a holistic environment. Children come from a wide range of cultures, beliefs, and backgrounds thus creating a unique learning environment. The School aims to provide a full and rounded education which helps to develop pupils morally, spiritually, socially, culturally, as well as intellectually.

Shimla Public School is conveniently situated at about 25 minutes walk from the Mall and at a height of approximately 6900 feet. Standing on its own ground, it enjoys plenty of sunshine and ample fresh air all day long.

This School was started by Mrs. Harjit Pritpal Singh in the year 1979. After having worked in Bishop Cotton School for 13 years and heading the Junior Section there, she left in 1977 and, in 1979, with the unstinting support from her husband, Mr. Pritpal Singh, she started Shimla Public School. It was because of her long hours of work and extreme dedication over the years, neglecting her own health, that 14 years later, in 1993, she suffered from a Stroke which resulted in her Right Side getting completely paralysed and her speech getting impaired too. Again, because of her determination and the will to be well again, she worked very hard with her therapists and, within 18 months she, once again, became the guiding factor for all of us at SPS.

Shimla Public School was a Nursery School in the first few years and was called Harprit Montessori School. But, as the years passed by and the reputation of the School became known to all the people, the pressure from the parents increased, a new class was added each year. With the result that in 1986 the School got its Affiliation to the Council For The Indian School Certificate Examinations, New Delhi. The first batch of I C S E was in the year 1990.

Shimla Public School is being run by a Society, Harprit Education Society, of which Mr. Parminder Singh, is now the Chairman.

S P S has a Hostel too, which was started with the persuasion of one parent who left two of his 2 kids, as he was unable to stay in Shimla and did not want his children to leave the School. The Hostel grew over the years and in March 2020 there were 100 students in the Hostel, over 70 of these students were from abroad.

The School takes part in all Inter School Events. We are constrained with space but we do make the best of what we have.

We have 35 Teachers who are very dedicated and hard working.

We excel in personal care of the kids. There are 530 children in the school. The Teacher Student ratio is - 1: 20.

Mrs. Sarla Kant is the current Principal, since 2021. She is a product of Carmel Convent School, Chandigarh, and comes to us with an illustrious experience of 29 years from Loreto Convent School, Shimla. With her vision and dedication, we are sure that SPS will achieve greater heights.

The School has a separate Hostel Block housing the boys and girls.

There are 4 Houses. Tagore, Patel, Gandhi & Nehru. All members of the Staff have been allotted Houses and there is one House Master in charge for each House. Various Inter-House competitions are held every year. Activities like Basketball, Athletics, Cross Country races, Dramatics, Indoor-Shooting, Badminton, Music and Dancing, Cooking, Trekking are carried out in the school.

Result of the I C S E class X Board exams have been excellent in the past. We can proudly boast of a **100% result** for the last many many years, in fact, now, almost every year we are having almost an all Ist Division result.

We have our own Indoor Shooting Range, and the students are coached by a National Shooter.

SPS is a **Smart – Class School**. We have introduced Smart Class in 10 classrooms, and hope to have each class as a 'Smart Class' in the near future. This has made learning a more interesting process for the children.

The school is proud to have **NCC**, which is taken up with great enthusiasm by the children.

Recently, two of our students were selected for the Republic Day parade held at New Delhi.

Our Heritage Club and the Green Brigade Clubs deserve a special mention. They are very committed to the cause of cleanliness and plantation of trees in our city.

A few years ago we conducted a 3 month course on **Disaster Management** for all students and staff. Now, periodic mock drills are carried out with the

help of the Fire Department and the Home Guards. We were one of the first schools to have started this awareness program which was later picked up by other schools too.

In the year 2015 – 16, we installed **Solar Heating** for the entire hostel and the Mess. This has proved very beneficial for the school and the consumption of electricity has dropped considerably.

It is our endeavor to take SPS to the top, and we have a promising team, that will help us get there.

The Management:



Mr. Parminder SinghChairman

The School is run by Harprit Education Society, of which Mr. Parminder Singh is the Chairman. The general management and control of the school is vested with the members of the Society.