

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

As Teachers, Mentors and Pathfinders, the Delhi Public School fraternity finds great inspiration in the shloka from the Mundaka Upanishad embedded in the Atharva Veda.

प्रणवो धनुः शरोह्यत्मा ब्रह्म तल्लक्ष्यमुच्यते।

अप्रमत्तेन वेद्धव्यं शरवत् तन्मयो भवेत् ॥

The Pran is the bow, the Atma is the arrow and the Brahma is said to be its mark (goal). It should be hit by one who is self collected and like an arrow becomes one with the mark. The Shloka is a metaphor for the education system. I perceive this shloka to be the soul of an institution involved in the building of empowered individuals. An educational institution realizes the importance of synchronizing the bow, its string, the arrow and the goal. The learner in his completeness has to learn to hold the bow and arrow with great strength, pull the string so that it is taut enough and meditate on the goal. A teacher plays a pivotal role in training a learner to achieve the desired goal. He is the one who acts as a bridge between the learner and his achievement. An ideal teacher converges with the learner, analyzing his potential and identifying his weaknesses & strengths. In his attempt to nurture an ideal individual, he not only trains the learner to hit the target but also facilitates the preservation of his individuality and helps him renounce his vices. Such an empowered self can go confidently in the direction of his dreams. It is the constant endeavor of the teacher to guide his students to align their efforts with their aspirations. I wish my students another year of insightful experiences and achievements. May the arrow of your aspiration move in the right direction...

Good Luck!

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