



**JANUARY 2026
EDITION**

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Principal's Message



Dear Hillwoodians,

I sincerely thank our students, parents, and teachers for their continued commitment and cooperation as we enter a crucial phase of the academic year. The completion of the syllabus across all grades is a commendable achievement and reflects the collective efforts of our entire school community.

As we begin the period of revision, final examinations, and practical assessments—especially for Classes X and XII—I encourage students to remain focused, disciplined, and confident. This is the time to consolidate learning, clarify doubts, and approach every assessment with determination and calmness.

The New Year brings with it fresh hope and new opportunities. May this year inspire every learner to strive for excellence, believe in their abilities, and work steadily towards their goals. I wish all our students great success in their examinations and a year filled with progress, positivity, and achievement.

Warm regards,

Dr. Smita Laur
Principal

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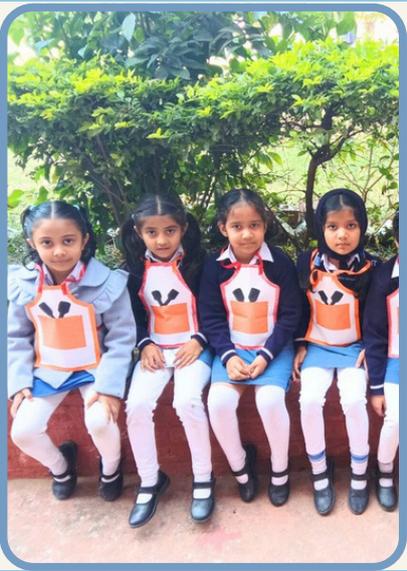
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Learning Beyond the Classroom

Art & Sensory Fun

Nursery children explored textures and colours by creating butterflies and grass using paints and buttons, enhancing fine-motor skills and creativity. KG students made and decorated paper aprons while learning about community helpers, especially the role of a chef.

Curious Crew



Non-Fire Cooking Day
Nursery and KG students joyfully prepared sandwiches and colourful salads under teacher guidance. The activity promoted hygiene, sharing, teamwork, and confidence while making learning tasty and fun.



Little Voices, Big Heroes!
Our KG and Nursery students confidently brought community helpers to life through cheerful Show and Tell, using costumes, flashcards, and expressive English to make learning truly delightful.



TINY TRAILBLAZERS

Tech Wizards & Creative Learning

Students from Classes 1 to 5 took part in engaging technology-based activities that blended creativity with learning. Class 1 explored emotions through an Emoji Show, building communication and self-expression skills. Class 2 created colourful digital artwork using Tux Paint, while Class 3 learned basic coding by designing stories, games, and animations in Scratch. Classes 4 and 5 visited the Atal Tinkering Lab to explore LEGO models and robotics.



Little Stars, Big Smiles!

A day of talent, creativity, and cheerful learning lit up Classes 1 to 4 as students joyfully showcased their skills through a lively Talent Show and hands-on activities like Book Cover Magic and Gift Wrapping.



Festive & Cultural Celebrations



Basant Panchami Celebration
 Scouts and Guides celebrated Basant Panchami with prayers and a cleanliness drive, promoting respect for knowledge and the environment. A special assembly added to the cultural spirit.

Uttarayan & Lohri Celebrations

The school celebrated Uttarayan and Lohri with great joy through a special assembly, festive songs, and a lively kite dance. The Primary Wing marked Lohri with warmth and togetherness, while Classes 8 to 12 enjoyed kite flying, making the celebrations vibrant and memorable.



Happy Makar Sankranti



Republic Day Celebrations



Hillwoods School celebrated 77th Republic Day with pride through a special assembly featuring patriotic songs, dances, and a message on the Indian Constitution. Students of Classes 1 to 5 created tricolour crafts, while Nursery and KG children dressed as freedom fighters and leaders, confidently sharing their roles. The national flag was unfurled on 26 January, marking a moment of unity and respect for the nation.



Academic & Enrichment Activities



Students attended a special programme at the Gujarat Vidhan Sabha, where Class II student Naitik Chavda presented on Swami Vivekananda's life and values. The visit gave students insight into democracy and inspired them with ideals of self-belief and service.



Swami Vivekananda Jayanti Programme



Chrysalis Inter-School Event

Classes 4 and 5 participated in various events including quiz, hobby display, art, and dance at DPS Gandhinagar. Students won second prizes in Quiz and Mythological Dance, earning appreciation certificates.

Indian Coast Guard Drawing Competition

Students participated in a national-level drawing competition celebrating the Indian Coast Guard. Winners from Hillwoods were honoured for their creativity and artistic talent.



CBSE Guidance Festival

Students and teachers attended the CBSE Guidance Festival at EDII Ahmedabad, gaining exposure to career options, innovation, and entrepreneurship. The exhibition of student models added inspiration and learning.





Energy Club Expansion Launch

On 22 January 2026, the Energy Club launched its expansion initiative through a virtual session. Mr. Deepak Badia, along with teams from Shell NXplorers and the Life-Lab Foundation, joined the event. Grade 8 students actively participated, gaining valuable insights into leadership and innovation.



NXplorers Training of Trainers

On 6 January 2026, Hillwoods School teachers Ms. Rajeshwari Singh and Dr. Pranshu Chhabra participated in the Shell NXplorers Training of Trainers. The workshop focused on innovative teaching methods aligned with the UN Sustainable Development Goals to enhance student problem-solving, creativity, and collaboration.



❁❁ Sporting Excellence in Karate ❁❁

School shone with pride as Devvrat Singh P. Vihol (Class 7C) clinched gold medal, Divyaraj Bagga (Class 3A) secured silver medal and Viki Vaghela (Class 3A) won bronze medal at the Gujarat State Wado-Kai Karate Championship held at Anand.



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