

Capacity Building Workshop at Sat Paul Mittal School (26.07.2017)



“Education is the passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today.” Sat Paul Mittal School, Ludhiana in collaboration with Bharti Foundation organized the visit of Army Goodwill Schools of Jammu and Kashmir on 26th July, 2017. To equip and upgrade the various schools around 40 principals and 10 army officials visited the school. The popularity of Army Goodwill Schools can be measured by the fact that there is a growing clamour by local population for opening more such schools and approximately 14,000 students are currently obtaining quality education at primary as well as higher and secondary levels. Approximately 840 students from economically weaker sections are receiving scholarships from these schools.

The objective of the visit was to understand some of the benchmarking practices and innovative pedagogies of Sat Paul Mittal School, Ludhiana.

The Principal, Ms. Bhupinder Gogia gave a presentation on the school and practices that had helped the school in becoming the number one school in Punjab. She mentioned the fact, that in order to be at par with the fast-paced technological change, communication, collaboration, and creativity should be the skills that would help people be globally competitive in the 21st Century. She reiterated the belief that literacies, skills, and disciplines ought to be pursued as tools that allow us to enhance our understanding of important questions, topics, and themes and inspired the delegates to implement the same in their schools. With her broad range of experience and skills she has developed a climate which is focused on student learning.

Mrs Bhupinder Gogia further explained the importance of streamlining the processes and practices to be followed by any institution in order to create a benchmark for itself. The need of the hour is to create academic institutions that foster growth of innovation and entrepreneurship. Various issues like- vision, mission, dispersal, objectives and commitment were discussed. The growth and success of this institution depends upon the ingrained value system of every Satyan. She also emphasized on the mantra that we should strive to create a niche for ourselves.

The Principals were taken around on a tour of the school and were introduced to various techniques and pedagogical methodologies which the school proposes and undertakes in order to hone the skills of every Satyan. Few of the practices that they were apprised with were: Flip teaching, learning through audio books, mind mapping and good folks system of the school. The delegates were enthused and exhilarated to see some of the finest practices being implemented in the school and assured to follow the same approaches in their schools. In spite of the difficulties and challenges that they face in Jammu and Kashmir, the principals were ready to engage, explore and take their students to a new level of learning.

It was indeed a great learning experience for the delegates as it helped them to expand their horizon of knowledge and a rewarding experience for Sat Paul Mittal School to share its expertise with the Army Goodwill Schools for a noble cause.