

SARGODHIAN

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SARGODHIANS FLY HIGH



This year PAF Public School Sargodha sent 314 students to appear in the Board Exam for classes 9, Matric and F. Sc Part-I&II. All the boys cleared their respective exams with enviable class averages. To begin with the top, 74 boys appeared in **F Sc Part-II Board Exam**, out of whom 29 achieved 'A+' grade, 36 cleared in 'A' grade and the remaining 9 passed in 'B' grade. The average percentage of the entire entry was 78%. The first three positions in the Engg Group were clinched by our boys. Mahhad Nayyer (2597-T) with 89% marks was third in the group. Muhammad Bilawal (2536-Sf) stood second with 89.2% marks, while Abdullah Muzzamil grabbed the first position with 89.6% marks to his credit. You would be delighted to know that with these scores and positions, our boys seemed far from being content. One of them, Mahhad Nayyer applied for rechecking, and, to our immense joy, the board found error in the tabulation and added five marks to Mahhad's credit. With that, he jumped from third slot to the second slot in the board, overtaking Bilawal.

The board does not announce positions for **F Sc Part-I**, but from the marks gained by our boys, one can easily make out their positions. For **F Sc Part-I Exam** this year, the school sent 73 boys. The boys produced the best ever class average in the history of the school, i.e. 83.5%. Obaid Fayyaz (2615-Sf), our School Headboy, led the rest with 92.3% marks to his credit. On his heels was Bilal Munir (2631-Sf) with 92.1% marks, whereas, Talal Hassan (2639-T) secured the third position with 92% marks. In the **Matric Board Exam**, 84 boys appeared, out of whom 82 cleared in 'A+' grade, while the remaining two passed in 'A' grade. Average for the entire entry was a himalayan 90%, a tough challenge for juniors to meet. Uzair Aziz Khan (2715-F) with 94.7 % marks got third position in the board. Shakaib Tahir (2701-A) and Abdul Rehman (2696-S) shared the second position in the board with 94.9% marks. The top achievers received commendation certificates and handsome cash prizes from Chief Minister Punjab.

It is a matter of pure delight that our **9th class** has already managed to achieve an enviable average of 91.5% this year. The top achievers of this amazing performance are M Naveed Tahir (2780-Hf) with 97.2% marks, Basit Ali (2784-Sf) with 97% marks and M Waleed Shams (2782-A) with 96.8% marks. Out of 83 boys, 81 passed in 'A+' grade and only two were in 'A' grade. Do we need to guess what heights this entry is going to reach?



Left: Board Position Holders in Matric with the shields awarded to them by the Chief Minister Punjab.
Right: Beaming Position Holders in F Sc celebrate their success with the Vice Principal.



Sargodhians Win All Pakistan Bilingual Declamation Contest at Sadiq Public School, Bahawalpur

Declamation team of PAF Public School Sargodha, comprising Azeem Shabbir (2664-S) and Khurram Khan (2673-Fn), participated in the 15th All Pakistan Bilingual Declamation Contest at Sadiq Public School, Bahawalpur on 15 November, 2008. More than two dozen leading institutions of the country participated in the contest. On the cumulative team points, Sargodhians lifted the coveted trophy. Government College University Lahore team were the runners up.

Khurram Khan reported the event in the Morning Assembly amid the deafening roar of applause and cheers. The Principal in his brief address lauded the efforts of the team.

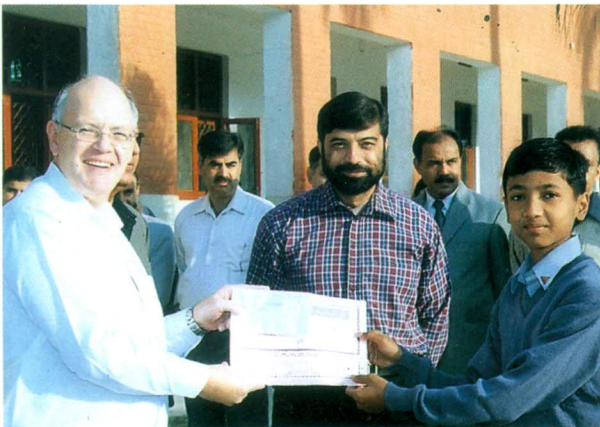


Khurram Khan (2673-Fn) and Azeem Shabbir (2664-S), winners of All Pakistan Bilingual Declamation Contest 2008

Young Sargodhians Earn Numerous Accolades at Chief Minister Punjab's Speech & Essay Writing Competition-2008

Chief Minister Punjab's Speech & Essay Writing Competitions for various categories of students, including those studying in Elementary, Secondary and Higher Secondary classes are underway all over the Punjab. Young Sargodhians, who are always raring to prove their mettle in various areas of curricular and co-curricular activities, participated in these competitions with tremendous gusto and brought home numerous laurels to their Alma Mater.

Small boys win big prizes! Among the Elementary students, Muhammad Ali (2971-Sf) has so far won all the three Urdu Speech Competitions, held at the Centre, Tehsil and District levels. A fantastic achievement by any standard. Very well done indeed! Sohaib Asif (2967-F) grabbed the 1st position in English Speech Competition, while Shahzad Ahsan (2998 -F) was adjudged 3rd in Urdu Essay Writing Competition held at the Centre Level.



Left Muhammad Ali (2971-Starfighter) **Right** Sohaib Yousaf (2967-Fury), proud winners of Chief Minister Punjab's Urdu and English Speech Contests-2008 respectively, being honoured by the Principal

In the competition for Secondary School Boys held at Tehsil Level, Uzair Ghafoor (2821-T) and Muhammad Salman (2842-Sf) stood 3rd in Urdu Essay Writing and Speech contests respectively.

Our Higher Secondary School boys competing at the District level have also performed outstandingly. While Umair Abdullah (2719-Sf) stood 1st and Waleed Haider (2738-F) grabbed 2nd position in the Urdu Speech Competition, Malik Asad (2698-Hf) was declared 2nd in the English Speech Competition. For their superb performance, the Sargodhians were awarded Chief Minister Punjab's Commendation Certificates as well as handsome cash prizes. The Principal lauded the boys for this magnificent performance and also showered praise on Sqn Ldr Noonari, Sqn Ldr Shamila, Sqn Ldr Azra, Sqn Ldr Asif Ali, Sqn Ldr Anwar Ali, Flt Lt Munim Mahdi, Flt Lt Rehana, Flt Lt Mahar Iqbal and Flt Lt Javed Altaf. It is hoped that Sargodhians will maintain the same level of excellence in the remaining provincial level competitions as well.



Shehzad Ahsan (2998 Fury),
receiving Distinction Certificate from the Principal

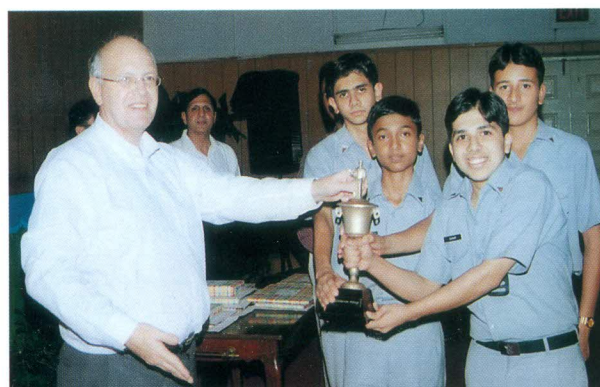
Starfighter Wins the Declamation Trophy

Inter-House Declamation Contest- 2008, in both English and Urdu languages, was held from 17 to 18 October, 2008. As usual, the contesting teams were divided into 'Senior' and 'Junior' categories. In each category, two speakers from every house were asked to deliver speeches on serious and humorous topics.

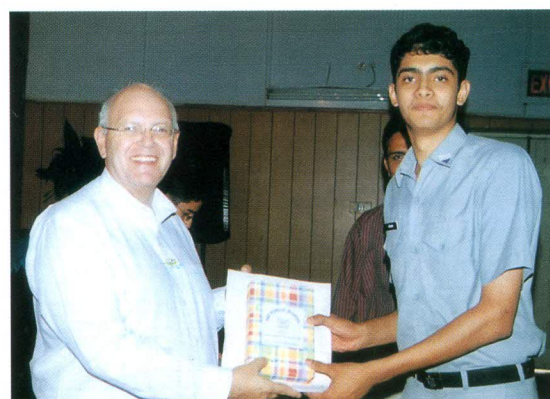
This year, on the basis of cumulative points, Starfighter House emerged as the winner of the contest. The Principal, Mr Wayne Christopher Hignett, gave away the trophy and prizes to the winners. In a brief address afterwards, he lauded the efforts of the contestants, reminding them that they should learn from the enviable examples of their predecessors as orators.

Following are the individual winners of the contest:

ENGLISH (SENIORS):	1st:	Usman-Ur-Rehman	(2665-M)
	2nd:	Malik Asad	(2698-Hf)
	3rd:	Ali Abbas	(2717-T)
(JUNIORS):	1st:	Behram Haider	(2927-Hf)
	2nd:	Owais Khalid	(2934-S)
	3rd:	Omer Saleem	(2954-T)
URDU (SENIORS):	1st:	Azeem Shabbir	(2664-S)
	2nd:	Adnan Shamoon	(2660-M)
	3rd:	Salman Amin	(2630-Sf)
(JUNIORS):	1st:	Mohammad Ali	(2971-Sf)
	2nd:	Khubaib	(2884-Fn)
	3rd:	Usama H Sanger	(2945-M)



Jubilant Fighters receiving Inter House
Declamation Trophy from the Principal



Usman-Ur-Rehman (2665-M) being awarded the
Best English Speaker's prize by the Principal

Award of Badges of Distinction to the Top-notch Sargodhians

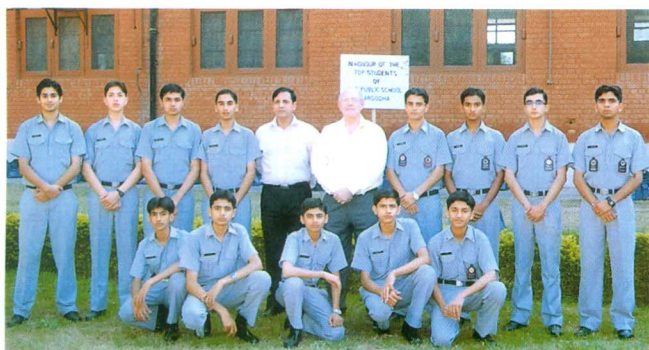
In an impressive ceremony on 07 November, 2008, the Principal Mr Wayne Christopher Hignett, awarded badges of Distinction to the boys who excelled in academics. In the first session, 216 boys received these badges. A total of 03 boys received Badges of Honour for securing Board Positions in Matriculation Exam. Six boys were decorated with Badges of Distinction for securing positions in the school, whereas 207 boys received Badges of Excellence for obtaining 85% and 80% or above marks in Matric and F Sc Board exams respectively. As many as 10 boys won Academic Colours for their persistent academic performance during the last four years.

The Principal also gave away Commendation Certificates to outstanding teachers for enabling their students to achieve high averages in various exams. At the end of the first session, the Principal in his brief address expressed joy at seeing long lines of boys receiving well-deserved awards. He aptly remarked : "It's not the size of the boy but the size of his talent that matters."

In the second session, the Principal also awarded Commendation Certificates to the airmen & civilians of the school.



So many Sargodhians, so many prizes!



The Principal with the Top-notch Sargodhians



Squadron Leader Azra Malik receiving Principal's Commendation Certificate from the Principal

Starfighter Lifts Husn-e-Qiraat Trophy-2008

On 23 & 24 September, 2008, the Inter House Husn-e-Qiraat Competition was held at the school. Four Qaris from each house participated in the competition. On the cumulative score of senior and junior teams, the Starfighter House was adjudged the Champion of the Year. Halifaxians remained the runners up. The individual winners of the contest were:

SENIORS:

Rukhsar	(2709-Hf)	1st
Tayyab	(2710-M)	2nd
Salman	(2630-Sf)	3rd

JUNIORS:

Shafiq	(3016-Sf)	1st
Hamid	(2881-Hf)	2nd
Sarosh	(2786-Sf)	3rd



Proud Fighters snapped with the Inter House Qiraat Trophy awarded to them by the Principal

INTER HOUSE FLOODLIT CRICKET TOURNAMENT

To add to the joys of Ramadan, an Inter-House Floodlit Cricket Tournament was held from 13 to 20 September, 2008 at the school. The teams were divided into three groups with the addition of the faculty team, led by Gp Capt Saeed A Khan, Vice Principal of PAF Public School, Sargodha. The initial matches were played on the knockout basis. All the teams came up with some stunning performances. After very exciting contests, the faculty and Starfighter House teams reached the final. However, the faculty team decided to retire in favour of Sabre House team.

The final between Starfighter House and Sabre House was a treat to watch. Famous cricketer and Vice Captain of Pakistan Cricket Team, Misbah-ul-Haq graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. After a nail-biting contest, Sabre House won the match. Fahad Qazi, House Captain Sabre House, who entertained the spectators with his sizzling sixes, was declared the Best Batsman, Obaid Fayyaz (2615-Sf) and Gul Sanobar (2678-Sf) were adjudged the Best Bowler and Best All-Rounder of the tournament respectively.

Misbah-ul-Haq gave away the trophy and prizes to the winners and runners up. He also obliged a long line of autograph-seeking Sargodhians. The Principal, Mr Wayne Christopher Hignett presented school souvenirs to the Chief Guest at the conclusion of the match.



Exuberant Saberites receiving the Floodlit Cricket Trophy from Misbah-ul-Haq, Vice Captain Pakistan Cricket Team

SARGODHIANS WIN SPORTS FIXTURE AGAINST CADET COLLEGE HASSANABDAL

A sports contingent of Cadet College Hassanabdal, comprising the teams of Basketball, Football, Hockey and Cricket visited the school from 24 to 26 October, 2008 to play sports fixture with Sargodhians.

The first match was that of Basketball. Abdalians looked all set to win with the advantage of height of players, but Sargodhians proved to be more skilled. The final score was 84-58 in favour of Sargodhians. Umair Abdullah (2719-Sf) impressed the spectators with his fascinating tricks in the game.

Next encounter was that of football. Both the teams made spirited moves and fierce attacks on each others' goals. However, Abdalians proved to be the better team and won the match by 3-1 goals. The solitary goal by the Sargodhians came from their Captain, Raashid (2694-F).

Next morning, it was time for Cricket contest. Sargodhians won the toss and decided to bat first. Against the expectations of the spectators, Sargodhians managed to post a modest total of 140 runs in 20 overs. Fahad Qazi (2616-S) delighted Sargodhians with his sizzling fifty. Abdalians in return could not face the ferocious pace bowling of Sargodhians. The whole team came back to the pavilion after making 108 runs. Bilal Kayani (2662-Sf) was the highest wicket taker with three victims to his credit.

Hockey was the last match to decide the fate of the fixture. Both the teams showed brilliant skill with the stick and made some breath-taking moves. The solid defence on both sides resisted like an iron wall, and spectators saw some unbelievably remarkable saves by defiant goalkeepers. However, in the last few minutes of the game, Zaid (2655-S), captain of Sargodhians, managed to feed a wonderful pass to Mujtaba (2750-Sf) who made no mistake and sounded the board with a sizzling shot. Thus Sargodhians won not only the match but the sports fixture as well.

The School Headboy in his farewell notes praised the meticulous behaviour of the guests both inside and outside the playing fields and reminded all that the purpose of the fixture was to make new friends, which both sides achieved admirably.

SPORTS FIXTURE WITH MILITARY COLLEGE, JHELUM

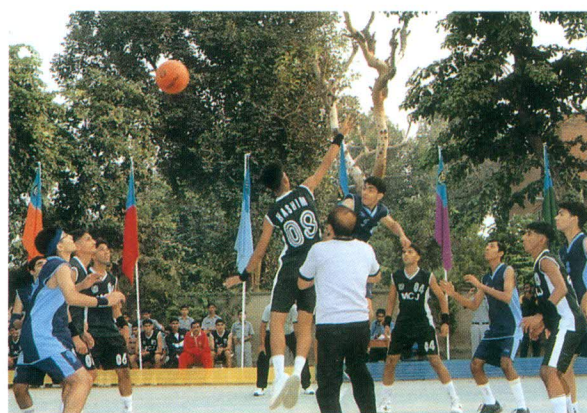
A sports contingent of Military College Jhelum, comprising Basketball, Football and Hockey teams, visited PAF Public School Sargodha to play a friendly sports fixture. The first match of the fixture was of football. Alamgirians with a strong team, comprising skilled players looked all set to overwhelm the seemingly inexperienced Sargodhian team, but that was not to be. Two wonderful goals by Raashid (2694-F) and Imran (2772-Hf) gave the hosts their first victory.

The next match was that of hockey. Sargodhians looked all spirits to seal the fate of the fixture but Alamgirians proved to be a shade better. They won the match by 1-0. With the fixture hanging in the balance, the last match of basketball was a pure thriller. Taller Alamgirians thought it would be an effortless walkover for them, but Sargodhians gave them a scary resistance. Till the last whistle, the spectators saw a marvellous display of skills and speed. Barring a few odd minutes of jittery shooting, Sargodhians fought neck to neck. However, their opponents maintained the lead and won the match by 81-71 points.

In their farewell notes, the Headboys of both the institutions praised the spirit in which the matches were played and called the fixture a win-win affair for both the sides.



Raashid Jamil (2694-F), captain PPSS with his counterpart from MCJ during the Football fixture



The MCJ and PPSS boys in action during the basketball match

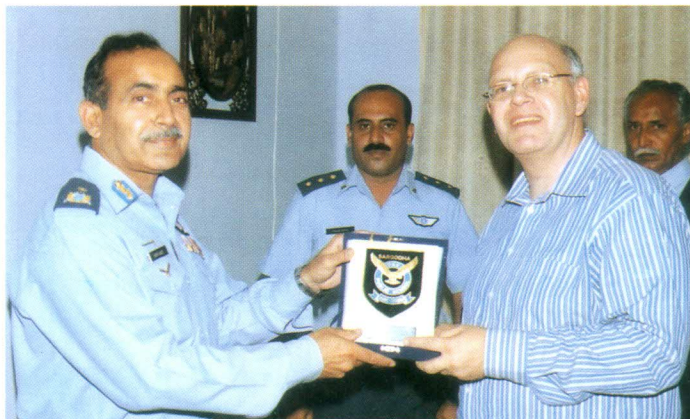
COLOUR HOLDERS OF THE SCHOOL

Following are the proud colour-holders of PAF Public School, Sargodha in various sports:

- Football:** Raashid (2694-F), Danish Karim (2642-F), Iftikhar (2647-Sf), Omer Farooq (2691-Sf), Adil (2695-T), Saddam Bajwa (2661-T) and Ilyas (2654-T)
- Basketball:** Nofal Daud (2677-M), Usman-ur-Rehman (2642-M), Mujeeb (2646-Sf) and Nouman Tufail (2688-Fn)
- Hockey:** Zaid Ahmed (2655-S), Fahad Kazi (2616-S), Gul Sanober (2678-Sf), Obaid Fayyaz (2615-Sf), Rafay Sabir (2687-Hf), Kaleemullah (2680-S) and Talal Hassan (2639-T)
- Cricket:** Bilal Kayani (2662-Sf), Faheem Mumtaz (2648-S), Fahad Kazi (2616-S), Gul Sanober (2678-Sf), Obaid Fayyaz (2615-Sf)
- Karate:** Abbas Ali Khan (2669-A)
- Gymnastics:** Nouman Tufail (2688-Fn)
- Academics:** Murad (2640-A), Talal (2639-T), Azim Shabbir (2664-S), Fahad Kazi (2616-S), Zeshan Aslam (2619-F), Faheem Mumtaz (2648-S), Saad Khan (2619-F), Omer Idrees (2641-Fn), Bilal Amjad (2657-Hf), Bilal Kayani (2662-Sf) and Talha Afzal (2676-S)

THE GUEST SPEAKER

On 24 October, 2008, Air Cdre M Ashfaq Arain, Base Commander, PAF Base Mushaf delivered an inspirational talk to the students of PAF Public School, Sargodha. On arrival at the auditorium, the Vice Principal briefly threw light on the worthy Guest Speaker's career profile. In his matter-of-fact style, the Guest Speaker highlighted the core beliefs in integrity, hard work and positive frame of mind. He, also, reminisced his formative years and urged the young Sargodhians to make the best of their stay at the school. After the talk, he answered a volley of curious questions by students that revolved round the working and combat capability of the PAF. Later on, he mixed with the faculty over a cup of tea. The Principal presented him with a set of souvenirs and the school crest.



Principal PAF Public School Sargodha presenting school crest to Air Cdre M Ashfaq Arain, Base Commander, PAF Base Mushaf

DEFENCE DAY CELEBRATED

On 07 September, 2008, Sargodhians celebrated the Defence Day of Pakistan. The boys came up with wonderful national songs and spirited speeches to remember the bravery of the air, land and sea warriors of the country. The speeches highlighted the enviable role of our national heroes in defending their dear homeland. Between the songs and speeches, well-scripted brief bulletins on the lives of the recipients of Nishan-e-Haider were also presented. The audience felt moved and showed their appreciation through uproarious clapping and chorus-singing. Participation by the Vice Principal, Gp Capt Saeed A Khan, in singing proved to be very inspiring for all. Later on, Sargodhians watched plays based on Rashid Minhas Shaheed (Nishan-e-Haider), and Major Raja Aziz Bhatti Shaheed (Nishan-e-Haider), in the school auditorium.



M Yaseen (2848-Fn), delivering a patriotic speech on Defence Day

Sargodhians Shine at Risalpur

A group of six House Captains and two School Prefects accompanied by Sqn Ldr Shehzad Ahmed Khan and Flg Off Mahar Iqbal witnessed the Passing Out Parade of 121st GD (P) and 69 CAE courses held at PAF Academy Risalpur on 13 November, 2008. As many as 53 Sargodhians passed out on the occasion. Waleed Khakwani (2409-T), the Academy Under Officer, led the parade. The Prime Minister of Pakistan, Mr. Yousuf Raza Gillani, was the Chief Guest on the occasion.

Saqib Javed (2260-Fn), former Headboy of PAF Public School Sargodha, won the GST Trophy, whereas Awais Nazir (2280-S) another Sargodhian won the coveted Sword of Honour and Best Pilot Trophy. Taimoor (2380-Fn) yet another Sargodhian grabbed the appointment of Sergeant in a non-Sargodhian course. Irfan Pattal (1350-S) and Wajahat Abdullah (1652-Fn) also Sargodhians, were in the team of Sherdils, who thrilled the spectators with their flying skills and wonderful manoeuvres.

Reporter: Ahmed Feroze (2893-T)

THE INTER-HOUSE DRAMATICS

The Annual Inter House Dramatics this year have been shifted to Mushaf Hall. The Principal, Mr Wayne Christopher Hignett, in his brief critical notes, wrote: "Long gone is the cosy compact stage of last year, and now we have the freedom (and problem) of where to wander during the performance. In drama as in life, position and timing are all-important." Indeed, they were! Fury House and Tempest House presented a vast variety of remarkable performances in November, 2008. The Principal commented: "The rehearsals reverberating the walls of our hallowed halls gave ample (and amplified) warning of what to expect: excellence in entertainment of an exuberant and energetic example."

The Furians came up with adaption of "**Nicholas Nickleby**" by Charles Dickens. Naimtullah played Mrs Squeers and Uzair was given the role of the Principal. Junaid "was a fine choice for Mr Nicholas Nickelby, the kind young teacher".

The Tempestians staged "**The Lofty Trees**" to emphasize upon the unthinking elimination of environmental beauty. The Principal noted that "the entire cast did so very well to deliver their speeches in rhymes, while choruses and rhythmic chanting sounded like some classical play from ancient Greece".

In other plays, "good humour abounded, aided by some amazing growths of schoolboy "**Face Fungus**". Yes, the exotic moustaches, adorning youthful faces!"



A scene from "**The Ugly Duckling**"