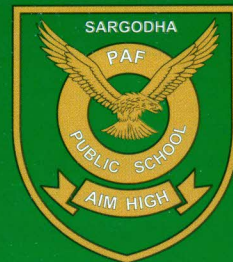


SARGODHIAN

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PARENTS DAY CELEBRATED

The annual Parents Day this year was held on 24 February, 2007. Air Chief Marshal Tanvir M Ahmed, Chief of the Air Staff, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. Before the formal proceedings of the day, the Chief Guest shook hands with the School staff and exchanged brief pleasantries. Principal, PAF Public School, Sargodha, Air Cdre (Retd) M Abdul Qadir Sargaana, received the Chief Guest.

The programme of the day started with a soulful recitation from the Holy Quran by Mudassir (2513 - Fn). Soon after the recitation, the agile Gymnastics Squad led by Taimoor (2571 - F) presented some of the heart-winning movements of body. The flexibility of the gymnasts coupled with superb sense of coordination won them thunderous applause from parents and guests.

Then came the traditionally clad Karate Squad led by Usman (2495-A). The boys displayed breath-taking maneuvers with speed, stamina and courage. The spectators enjoyed the youthful show thoroughly and gave a rousing response. On the heels of Karate came a colourful PT Display led by Obaid (2615-Sf). The boys in their respective House colours displayed into different formations. Their swift and well coordinated movements earned them roaring applause from all the spectators.

After the PT, the aeromodellers of the School put up a marvellous display of flying remote controlled small planes. Faraan (2593-S) and Waqas (2601-F) received spontaneous bursts of appreciation for their wonderful skills at flying the small planes.

After the Air Show, the Principal presented the Annual Report of the School, in which he recounted the achievements of young Sargodhians. Since it was his last Parents Day as Principal, he thanked the Pakistan Air Force for giving him the opportunity to serve his alma mater.

Soon after the School report, the Chief Guest was requested to give away prizes to eagerly awaiting Sargodhians who had shown remarkable performance in different activities. Prizes, colours and trophies went to the high achievers in academics, School Teams Captains and the Houses respectively. This year Starfighter House claimed the coveted Quaid-e-Azam Trophy for being overall best among the eight houses.

After the prize distribution, the Chief Guest made an extempore address, in which he lauded the efforts of young Sargodhians. Being a distinguished Sargodhian himself, he emphasized upon cultivating the right kind of habits and manners and believing in the supremacy of hard work in life. The attentive audience punctuated his animated address regularly with their inspired clapping.

After the Chief Guest's address, the guests were served sumptuous refreshments. At the refreshments, the Chief guest mixed with the crowd and exchanged pleasantries with whoever could get near to him. After that, the Chief Guest was taken for a round of the Hobbies Club Display arranged in front of the School Mess lawns. He appreciated every effort by young artists in painting, woodwork and clay modeling. He was full of praise for the boys who had put their models under the banner of Science Club. After visiting the exhibition the Chief Guest and other dignitaries departed.



Air Chief Marshal Tanvir M Ahmed, Chief of the Air Staff addressing on the occasion of Parents Day

STARFIGHTER LIFTS ATHLETICS TROPHY

The Inter House Athletics Championship - 2006-07 was held from 01 February to 03 February, 2007. The championship generated a feverish pitch of competitiveness as every event was well fought. This year only one record was broken. Mohsin Munir (2470-A) covered a distance of 200 meters in 23 seconds as against a long held record of 23.03 seconds by Shahid of same house. Roshaan (2517-Sf) deservingly won the School Colour for Athletics this year. On cumulative points basis, Starfighter House won the trophy for the year. Following is the detail of events and positions:

No	Event	First	Second	Third
1.	100 m	Mohsin (2470-A)	Qadeer (2509-S)	Bilal (2662-Sf)
2.	200 m	Mohsin (2470-A)	Aamir (2523-S)	Zia (2538-M)
3.	400 m	Awais (2525-Hf)	A.Munim (2511-F)	Nasir (2508-T)
4.	1500 m	A.Munim (2511-F)	Saad (2599-S)	Zeeshan (2733-T)
5.	110(hurdles)	Aamir (2523-S)	Taimoor (2571-F)	Zubair (2486-A)
6.	Discus throw	A.Rehman (2503-M)	Roshaan (2517-Sf)	Umair (2481-Hf)
7.	Javelin	Roshaan (2517-Sf)	Obaid (2533-T)	Zeeshan (2682-Hf)
8.	Shot put	Qayyum (2534-A)	A.Rehman(2503-M)	Umair (2481-Hf)
9.	Long Jump	Awais (2525-Hf)	Mohsin (2470-A)	Ali (2581-T)
10.	High Jump	Saud (2586-Hf)	A.Rehman(2503-M)	Umair (2516-S)
11.	Hop-Step-and Jump	Roshaan (2517-Sf)	Ali (2581-T)	Yasir (2553-M)
12.	800 m	A.Munim (2511-F)	Awais (2525-Hf)	Zia (2538-M)
13.	4x400 m Relay	HALIFAX	STARFIGHTER	FURY
14.	4x100 m Relay	STARFIGHTER	FURY	SABRE



Halifaxians, Fighters and Furians at the Victory Stand
For 4x400 m Relay Race



Sohail Nawaz (2467-S), the X-Country Champion
At the finishing line

HUMBLY YOURS, SARGODHIANS !

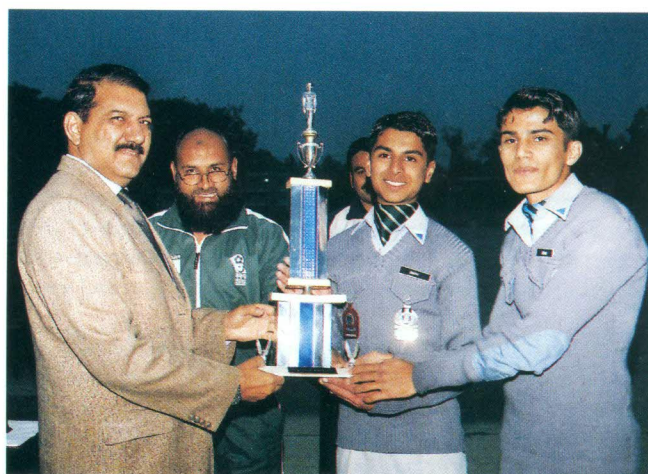
A contingent comprising the School Prefects and the Head Boy along with Sqn Ldr Tahir Sarfaraz and Sqn Ldr Asif Niaz witnessed the Passing Out ceremony of 118 GD (P) on 14 March, 2007 at PAF Academy, Risalpur. The contingent received a very warm welcome by the old Sargodhians under training at the academy.

The Passing Out ceremony was once again an inspiring event as one after the other Sargodhians grabbed top appointments at the academy. In fact, out of the top seven appointments, five went to the Sargodhians including the most cherished and sought after appointment of the Academy Under Officer. Cheer up Halifaxians, it was no other person but your erstwhile Prefect Aamir Qayoom (2213-Hf) who was made the Academy Under Officer. Together with him, Shamsher (2230-T) and Umair (2203-S) grabbed the appointment of Wing Under Officer. Additionally, Yasir Changezi (2254-A) and Shehbaz Saleem (2231-Sf) earned the appointments of Squadron Under Officers, while Nadeem (2220-M), Khawar (2184-S) and Umair (2235-S) were made Sergeants.

Next day in the morning assembly at the School, the news brought roars of cheers and clapping. Each young Sargodhian seemed determined to emulate the worthy example of his seniors.

TEMPEST WINS DRILL AND PT TROPHIES

Inter House Drill and PT competitions were held on 8 & 9 February, 2007. All the houses came up with marvellous performances in both drill and PT. A slight lapse of memory or a delayed response to the commands could ruin the efforts of months, hence all the participants seemed extra attentive. The judges of the contest were all praise for the high standard of performance. However, there had to be the first among equals. The judges this year decided to crown Tempestians in both of the competitions. The title of the Best Commander was deservingly won by Farhan Faiz (2462-Fn). Gp Capt Badar Z Kayani, the Vice Principal, gave away the trophies to jubilant Tempestians.



Proud Tempestians receiving their hard won Drill & PT Trophies

TEMPEST HOUSE LIFTS X-COUNTRY TROPHY

The Inter House X- Country Championship this year was held on 30 January, 2007. Each house sent eight members to cover a distance of 3.5 kilometers. The maximum limit to reach the finishing line was set on 15 minutes. The swift joggers of Tempest House outran all other competitors and eventually lifted the trophy for the year 2006-07. Air Cdre(Retd) Mohammad Abdul Qadir Sargaana, Principal PAF Public School, Sargodha, gave away the trophy and certificates to the winners. Sohail Nawaz (2467-S) was declared the X-Country Champion of the year.



THE NEW PRINCIPAL ARRIVES



Mr Wayne Christopher Hignett joined PAF Public School Sargodha as Principal on 13 March, 2007. Born in 1956 in Liverpool, he gained his first teaching qualification from the University of Sussex in 1979. He later studied for his qualification to be a Principal at the University of Liverpool. In addition, he gained an MBA in Information Technology from UCLAN and a Master of Research in Computer Engineering from the University of Manchester.

As a young man, he held the distinction of being the youngest Senior Housemaster in England and gained an overseas post graduate scholarship.

He taught briefly in Turkey before gaining promotion to a new school in Saudia Arabia. Marriage and further promotion followed and he completed almost ten years teaching in Saudia Arabia before returning to UK to serve as a Senior Teacher.

Having taught the children of the Saudi Royal Family and made so many friends there, he misses Saudia Arabia a lot. He hopes to see the Kingdom again one day.

At home in the UK, he supports Liverpool F.C. but has also seen Manchester United play.

He has two sons, 13 and 18 years, and a wife. He thanks all of the staff and boys for their most heart felt welcome.

With his arrival at PAF Public School, Sargodha, there has been a flurry of curious comments. The young Sargodhians seem eager to tell everyone interested that with Mr Hignett's arrival they have come at par with the Old Boys taught by Mr Catchpole. Flashing welcome smiles have become all too prominent. Everyone around is eager to polish his/her English to impress the new Principal.

FARE THEE WELL !

In an impressive School ceremony on the eve of 08 March, 2007, the school bade farewell to the outgoing Principal, Air Cdre (Retd) M Abdul Qadir Sargaana.

The ceremony started with recitation from Holy Quran by Mudassir (2513-Fn). Junaid bin Naeem (2459-M) played the host of the ceremony. After introductory tribute, the host called upon the School Head Boy, Mohsin Munir (2470-A), to express his views on behalf of the School. Mohsin in his farewell speech recounted the numerous developments carried out in the School during the five year stay of the outgoing Principal. He reminded the boys of the milestones of academic and sports achievements. Charged with emotion, he assured the guest of the evening that the school would continue following the good traditions set by him.

After the Head Boy's speech, the outgoing Principal was invited to address the gathering. Air Cdre Sargaana thanked the boys for their eager sentiments. He told them that his stay as a student at the School had been five years, three months and fifteen days and that, coincidentally, his tenure as a Principal was exactly the same five years, three months and fifteen days.

He, also, emphasized upon the students to maintain their exemplary discipline and outstanding academic records. He said that Pakistan Air Force provides all the best to Sargodhians at the School and expects the best from the Sargodhians.

Later on the guest was served a sumptuous dinner with the School.

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In Brief

▼ Junaid bin Naeem and Umair Mustafa (2481-Hf) participated in All Pakistan Bilingual Speech Contest held at Chandbagh School, Muridke on 17 February, 2007. Junaid bin Naeem was adjudged the best speaker in English whereas the School was runners up for the trophy.

▼ Tempest House lifted the Inter House Dramatics Trophy for the year 2006-07 on 24 February, 2007.

▼ The 39th Entry celebrated its Golden Day on 22 March, 2007. The day remained fun filled for the entry as it was their only opportunity to act as the senior most boys for a day.

▼ The 40th Entry is expected to report on 08 April, 2007. The School is eagerly awaiting the arrival of 80 new Sargodhians.



The outgoing Principal sharing a lighter moment with the Vice Principal on the occasion of Farewell Concert