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Clean schools for a clean India

he mission "Swachh Bharat: Swachh Vidyalaya" or "Clean India: Clean Schools", was launched in September 2014, heralding a new era focusing on cleanliness in schools. This drive encompasses both the technical and human development components that are necessary for good cleanliness practices. Technical components include drinking water. handwashing, toilets and soap facilities in the school compound for use by children and teachers. The human development components are the activities that promote condi-

tions within the school and the practices of children that help to prevent water, hygiene and sanitation-related diseases.

On these lines, City International School, Aundh recently organised a cleanliness drive. The main purpose of this programme was to create awareness among students regarding cleanliness in general, with classroom cleanliness being an essential part of this drive.

The activity began by cleaning of the classrooms, including the cupboards and disposing off waste items. Students put up posters and slogans on Swachhata Abhiyan in their classrooms.

Under the 'Green School' initiative, the school e-mails circulars to parents, in order to conserve paper. Students were also taught to make paper bags.

Behtar India had recently organised a seminar for the school students under its Green School campaign. Students learnt about the importance of recycling paper. Further, they were informed about the initiatives to create an eco-friendly earth, curb greenhouse effects and measures to conserve the natural resources. Another

talk was organised by a nongovernmental organisation to save rivers and reduce pollution in the rivers. The measures to make cities less polluted were underlined.

During the first week of October, teachers and students of the secondary section were taken for a cleanliness drive around the school premises. The students, principal and a few teachers went around the school vicinity carrying banners highlighting the importance of cleanliness. The pavement in front of the school was cleaned by sweeping and collecting dry garbage.



