W.H. Smith Memorial School

ONWARD AND UPRIGHT

CONCORDIA 6.0

LOVE, HOPE & PEACE

AN INTER-SCHOOL EVENT
AUGUST 8th, 2026 (SATURDAY)
TO OBSERVE HIROSHIMA AND NAGASAKI DAY

ECHOES BENEATH THE NEEM

Beneath the gentle shade of a steadfast neem tree, where young minds once gathered in earnest curiosity, the story of William Henry Smith Memorial School first took root.

In 1958, guided by the vision and grace of Mrs. Cecelia Rose Smith (Inspector of schools, Unnao) and Mr. William Henry Smith (Senior Instructor, Railway Engineering College, Jamalpur), a humble beginning unfolded within the quiet charm of an English-style bungalow. Classes spilled beyond its walls, finding life and laughter under the open sky, where the neem tree stood as a silent witness to learning, growth, and hope. It was here that the spirit of the school found its voice in the timeless motto, "*Onward and Upright,*" guiding every step with purpose and integrity.

As years passed, the institution blossomed—its roots deepening in values of discipline, character, and eloquence, while its branches reached outward in pursuit of excellence. The legacy was lovingly carried forward by Mrs. Pauline Hope Sodhi, whose leadership nurtured the school's expansion and recognition, transforming it into a centre of holistic education. The school continues to thrive under the dynamic leadership of Dr. Anita Pauline Dey, whose vision carries the institution to ever greater heights.

Though the campus has evolved with time, the neem tree endures—unchanged, unwavering—a living emblem of the school's origin. It whispers tales of simplicity and aspiration, reminding each generation that from modest beginnings can rise institutions of enduring greatness, ever moving onward and upright.

OUR JOURNEY

Messengers of peace



For several years W. H Smith Memorial School has observed Hiroshima and Nagasaki Day to promote the principles of 'Peace and Harmony'. In August 2019, we collaborated with the UNESCO Chair for Peace and Intercultural Understanding and the Malaviya Centre for Peace Research, BHU (Banaras Hindu University), and organized the "All India Art Exhibition."

Global lockdown

During the global lockdown, in 2021 caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, we conceived the idea of CONCORDIA- a Virtual Inter-school Event inspired to motivate the younger generations to adopt peace as a way of life.

LOCKDOWN

CONCORDIA



CONCORDIA, NAMED AFTER THE ANCIENT ROMAN GODDESS OF PEACE AND HARMONY, IS A SERIES OF INTER-SCHOOL EVENTS. THESE COMPETITIONS WILL GIVE STUDENTS A PLATFORM TO EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS ON WAYS TO PROMOTE PEACE AND HARMONY.

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to sensitize the students about their surroundings, past and present and call them to partake as the future stakeholders of our sustainable, peaceful world.

We firmly believe that the teachers and students are the beacon to spread the message of peace and harmony in the most effective ways in the future.

Our school hopes *CONCORDIA 6.0 (2026)-LOVE, HOPE & PEACE* will ignite young minds to collaborate and open new arenas of global peace and harmony.

EVENTS

ONLINE

1. THOUGHT GYM
2. CINEPHILIC
3. A NEW VIEW
4. CARTOONATHON
5. CHANTS FOR PEACE
6. REKINDLING PEACE

OFFLINE

7. TEEN TECH
8. EPOCH ELEGANCE
9. PAINTING PEACE
10. PAINT YOUR POEM

GENERAL RULES

1. All events will have three streams ***EXCEPT-***

- A New View (Virtual event for Stream 2 & 3);
- Chants for Peace (Virtual event for Stream 2 & 3);
- Epoch Elegance (Offline event for Stream 2 & 3);
- Painting Peace (Offline event for Stream 3);
- Teen Tech (Offline event for Stream 3)
- Paint Your Poem (Offline event for stream 3)

Stream 1: Classes 5 & 6
Stream 2: Classes 7 & 8
Stream 3: Classes 9, 10, 11 & 12

2.Only three participants (one from each stream) can represent the school in each category except Chants for Peace and offline events. Please refer to the event rules for specific details.

3. The Google form link for participation is enclosed herewith: ***https://forms.gle/HCb6D4qbiLSkg7MBA***

4. School must assign a teacher-in-charge to confirm their participation by registering through the Google form positively by 16 May, 2026 (Saturday). The Google Drive Link to upload the soft copies will be provided to the teacher-in-charge.

GENERAL RULES

4. Entries (soft copy/hard copy) of various events should reach latest by 13 July, 2026 (Monday)- soft copy and 18 July, 2026 (Saturday)-hard copy. ***Hard copies will not be returned.***

5. The uploaded file of participants must be renamed as per the participant code provided by the host school for smooth identification.

6. Result of all the events will be declared on 8 August, 2026 (Saturday) in the closing ceremony which will be held in the school.

7. The best student will be presented with a Certificate of Merit whereas all the participants will be given Certificates of Participation. The teacher-in-charge of each school will be presented with a Certificate of Appreciation. The Certificates will be given on 8 August, 2026(Saturday) during the Award Ceremony held in W.H. Smith Memorial School, Sigra, Varanasi-221010.

Kindly make prior arrangements to be present. We will be happy to suggest a few guest houses/hotel names near our school campus.

EVENT 1 : THOUGHT GYM *Panel Discussion*

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CLASSES 5&6 STREAM 1

Topic: Inclusive Classrooms, Stronger Bonds
Medium of Discussion: English
Date: 1 August, 2026 (Saturday)
Time: 9:00 am

CLASSES 7&8 STREAM 2

Topic: Emotional vs. Digital Connect
Medium of Discussion: English
Date: 1 August, 2026 (Saturday)
Time: 10:45 am

CLASSES 9, 10, 11,12 STREAM 3

Topic: SDG#16: Peace, Justice & Stronger Institutions
Medium of Discussion: English
Date: 1 August, 2026 (Saturday)
Time: 12:30 pm



EVENT 1 : THOUGHT GYM *Panel Discussion*

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EVENT RULES

1. Panel Discussion will be held virtually.

2. Slots and links for the panel discussion will be provided to the teacher-in-charge of the respective schools one day prior.

3. For STREAM 1, each participant will be provided 2 minutes to present their points. Thereafter, 15 minutes will be provided for open discussion.

4.For STREAM 2 and 3, each participant will be provided 3 minutes to present their points. Thereafter, 20 minutes will be provided for open discussion

5. Participants of Panel Discussion must be in plain white uniform (without any belt, tie and badge that may reveal the identity of their school).

6. Participants will introduce themselves as per the codes provided to them by the host school.



7. Participants should refrain from using electronic media during the Panel Discussion.

8. Use of unparliamentary language is prohibited.

9. Decision of the judges will be final and abiding to all.

EVENT 2 : CINEPHILIC

Small Screen Big Vision

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CLASSES 5&6 STREAM 1

Topic: Kindness Chain
Language: English
Last Date of Submission:
13 July, 2026 (Monday)
Duration: 3 minutes

CLASSES 7&8 STREAM 2

Topic: Cancel Hate, NOT People
Language: English
Last Date of Submission:
13 July, 2026 (Monday)
Duration: 3 minutes

CLASSES 9, 10, 11,12 STREAM 3

Topic: Lights, Camera and Compassion
Language: English
Last Date of Submission:
13 July, 2026 (Monday)
Duration: 3 minutes

EVENT 2 : CINEPHILIC

Small Screen Big Vision

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EVENT RULES

1.Video : Only smartphone cameras should be used for recording the videos. Requirements for the video are:

- **The movie must be shot in Landscape mode.**
- **Size of the video must not exceed 200 MB.**
- **The pixel quality should be 720p.**
- **The video should be in MP4 Format.**

2. Time limit : The time limit should include the beginning and end credits. Films exceeding the time limit will not be eligible for the competition.

3. Audio: The audio must be clear and without echo, static or any other excessive noise.

4. Mode of Editing: Participants are free to use any kind of editing apps but there should not be any personal logo or watermark.

5. Participants will introduce themselves as per the code provided to them by the host school.

6. The movie should be the authentic/original work of the participant. Do not involve professionals.

7. Non-compliance with any of the aforementioned rules may result in disqualification.

8. Decision of the judges will be final and abiding to all.

EVENT 3: A NEW VIEW

Photography Competition

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CLASSES 7 & 8 STREAM 2

Topic: Diverse Hands

Last date of submission(Soft copy):

13 July, 2026(Monday)

Last Date of Submission (Hard copy):

18 July, 2026 (Saturday)

CLASSES 9, 10, 11, 12 STREAM 3

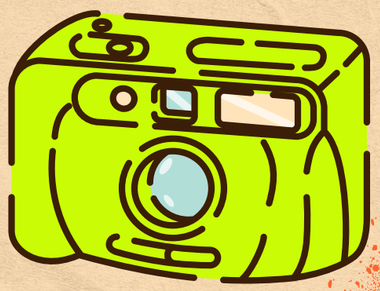
Topic: Peaceful Moment

Last Date of Submission(Soft copy):

13 July, 2026(Monday)

Last date of submission (Hard copy):

18 July, 2026 (Saturday)



EVENT 3 : A NEW VIEW *Photography Competition*

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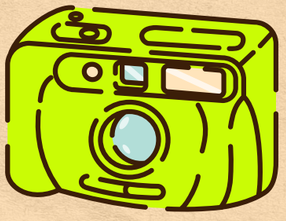
EVENT RULES

1. There are only two streams in the photography competition. A participant can submit only one entry in each of the streams.

2. The participants must submit a soft copy as well as a hard copy of the photograph. The hard copy of the photograph once submitted will not be returned.

3. Requirements for the photographs :
- Size of the photograph should not exceed 10 MB.
- The photograph must be 10x12 inches.
- The format of the photograph must be in jpeg or png.
- The participant is required to mention the shutter speed, ISO and aperture at which the photograph has been taken.
- An original caption/title highlighting the given topic must be mentioned below the photograph.
- Participants must mention the code provided to them by the host school with the photograph.
- There should not be any personal logo or water mark.

4. The photograph should be the authentic/original work of the participant. The photograph that has been digitally altered beyond standard optimization will be disqualified.



5. The organizers reserve the right to call for the original/unedited photograph for the purpose of authentication. An image maybe disregarded if this information cannot be provided.

6. Decision of the judges will be final and abiding to all.

EVENT 4 : CARTOONATHON

Cartoon Making Competition

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CLASSES 5&6 STREAM 1

Topic: A World Full of Love

Last Date of Submission(Soft copy):

13 July, 2026(Monday)

Last Date of Submission (Hard copy):

18 July, 2026 (Saturday)

CLASSES 7&8 STREAM 2

Topic: Youth for Peace

Last Date of Submission(Soft copy):

13 July, 2026(Monday)

Last Date of Submission (Hard copy):

18 July, 2026 (Saturday)

CLASSES 9, 10, 11,12 STREAM 3

Topic: Peace Begins With Me

Last Date of Submission(Soft copy):

13 July, 2026(Monday)

Last Date of Submission (Hard copy):

18 July, 2026 (Saturday)

EVENT 4 : CARTOONATHON *Cartoon Making Competition*

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EVENT RULES

1. The participant is expected to present a creative and attractive composition to bring out the theme as per the topic. Participants are free to use any technique.

2. Points will be awarded for composition, creativity, colour scheme and interpretation of the topic. Cartoon must have suitable title to bring out its meaning. Participants must refrain from depicting political ideology or hurting religious or spiritual sentiments.

3. The participant must submit a soft copy/scanned copy(jpg/jpeg format) as well as hard copy of the cartoon. The hard copy of the cartoon once submitted will not be returned.

4. Requirements for the cartoon-

   a) Draw on cartridge sheet of A3 size.

   b) The participant is required to mount the hard copy of the cartoon with 1/2 inch black tape on all four sides.

   c) Participant's stream, code (provided by host school) and topic must be mentioned at the back of the sheet.

5. The soft copy of the cartoon must be submitted via Google drive.

6. Decision of the judges will be final and abiding to all.

EVENT 5: CHANTS FOR PEACE

Choral Singing Competition

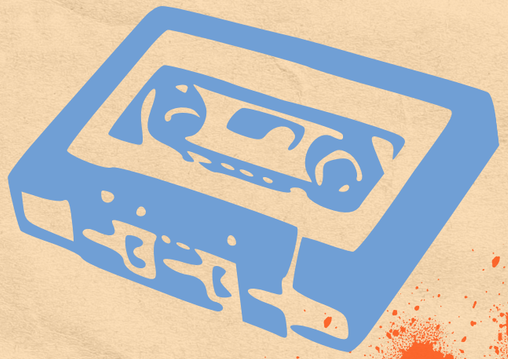
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CLASSES 7 & 8 — STREAM 2

Theme: Rhythms of Hope
Language: English
Time: 5 minutes
Last Date of Video Submission:
13 July, 2026 (Monday)

CLASSES 9, 10, 11, 12 — STREAM 3

Theme: Roots of Kindness
Language: English
Time: 5 minutes
Last Date of Video Submission:
13 July, 2026 (Monday)



EVENT 5: CHANTS FOR PEACE

Choral Singing Competition

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EVENT RULES

1. The choir must have maximum six participants. Participants should introduce themselves as per the code provided by host School.

2. One song will be sung by each stream as per the theme provided. The time limit for each performance should not exceed 5 minutes.

3. Participants are allowed to use track or live musical instruments.

3. Participants are required to record their performance in one continuous shot, without any edits.

4. Video should not be edited after recording the song by any professional.

5. Participants must not wear school tie, badge or name tag to ensure fair judgement.

5. The entries should be submitted in landscape mode (1920x1080) in MP4 format. The file must not be larger than 300MB.

6. The judging criteria will include vocal harmony, lyrics, intonation, rhythm, clarity, uniformity and overall performance.

7. Non-compliance with any of the aforementioned rules may result in disqualification.

8. Decision of the judges will be final and abiding to all.

EVENT 6: REKINDLING PEACE

Creative Writing Competition

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CLASSES 5&6 STREAM 1

Topic: Labels Don't Define Me
Language: English
Word limit: 350
Last Date of Submission (soft copy): 13 July, 2026 (Monday)
Last Date of Submission (hard copy): 18 July, 2026 (Saturday)

CLASSES 7&8 STREAM 2

Topic: The Power of Forgiveness
Language: English
Word limit: 400
Last Date of Submission (soft copy): 13 July, 2026 (Monday)
Last Date of Submission (hard copy): 18 July, 2026 (Saturday)

CLASSES 9, 10, 11, 12 STREAM 3

Topic: Is Freedom An Illusion?
Language: English
Word limit: 450
Last Date of Submission (soft copy): 13 July, 2026 (Monday)
Last Date of Submission (hard copy): 18 July, 2026 (Saturday)

EVENT 6: REKINDLING PEACE

Creative Writing Competition

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EVENT RULES

1) The entries will be judged on the basis of content, language style and creativity.

2) The essay should not exceed the word limit specified for each stream.

3) The essay should be hand written on one side of an A4 size ruled sheet.

4) Participants must only mention the codes provided to them by the host school. They must not mention their name or the name of their school anywhere in the composition.

5) Participants must submit a scanned soft copy of their composition in PDF form and post the hard copy to the host school.

6) The decision of the judges will be final and abiding to all.

EVENT 7 : TEEN TECH

Sell Your Product

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CLASSES 9, 10, 11, 12

STREAM 3

Theme: Save Earth, Create Smart—Driving Sustainable Cities through Green FMCG Innovations *(SDG#11- Sustainable Cities and Communities)*

Language: English

Duration: 5 minutes

Time: 9:30 am

Date: 8 August, 2026 (Saturday)

Venue: W.H. Smith Memorial School, Sigra, Varanasi

OFFLINE EVENT

EVENT 7 : TEEN TECH

Sell Your Product

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EVENT RULES

1. Time Duration allotted is 3 minutes for presentation + 2 minutes for question/answer round.

2. A team of maximum four participants can represent the school.

3. Design the product from GREEN INNOVATION sector only.

4. Participants can showcase their product using PPT, prototype or the product itself.

5. The concept should be original and innovative.

6. Essential criterion :

a) Relevance to theme & SDG#11- Clear connection to sustainable cities, focus on eco-friendly FMCG practices, alignment with environmental and urban challenges.

b) Innovation & Creativity- originality of idea, “Out-of-the-box” thinking, smart and modern approach to problem-solving.

c) Environmental Impact-reduction in waste/plastic, resource conservation (water, energy) Contribution to cleaner and greener cities.

d) Practicality & Feasibility, Cost-effectiveness, ease of use in daily life.

e) Long-lasting solution, promotes responsible consumption, scalable for larger communities.

8. Decision of the judges will be final and abiding to all.

EVENT 8 : EPOCH ELEGANCE *Ramp Walk*

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CLASSES 7 & 8 — STREAM 2

CLASSES 9, 10, 11, 12 — STREAM 3

Topic: Peace & Unity Parade- Tapestry of Peace

(EACH STREAM HAS TO CHOOSE ANY 1 SYMBOL OF PEACE)-

>> The Peace dove
>> The Olive branch
>> The Banyan tree
>> The globe

Duration: 1 hour 15 minutes (Preparation)

Date: 8 August, 2026 (Saturday)

Time: 11:00 am (Presentation)

Venue: W.H. Smith Memorial School, Sigra, Varanasi

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EVENT 8 : EPOCH ELEGANCE

Ramp Walk

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EVENT RULES

1. The participant must choose any one Symbol of Peace of their choice from the list mentioned above and prepare a dress showcasing the chosen symbol. Each stream will choose 1 symbol.

2. For each stream only one entry will be accepted.

3. A participant has the choice to be accompanied by a model.

4. A participant will be given 1 hour 15 minutes-
i) 1 hour for designing and dressing.
ii) 15 minutes for assembling.

5. A total of 4 minutes will be allotted to the participant- 1 minute for stage presentation and 3 minutes to explain the dress design to the judges and question/answers. Participants should adhere to the specified time limit of 4 minutes for the final stage presentation.

6. Performance will be judged on the basis of adherence to theme, creativity, dress, design, authenticity and presentation skills.

7.Non- compliance with any of the aforementioned rules may result in disqualification.

8.Decision of the judges will be final and abiding to all.

EVENT 9: PAINTING PEACE

Mask Making Competition

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CLASSES 7 & 8 — STREAM 2

Topic: Endangered Animals With A Twist- Unleash Your Creativity
Duration: 1 hour (Preparation)
Date: 8 August, 2026 (Saturday)
Time: 10:45 am (Final Presentation)
Venue: W.H. Smith Memorial School, Sigra, Varanasi

CLASSES 9, 10, 11, 12 — STREAM 3

Topic: Future Robots/ AI Friends
Duration: 1 hour (Preparation)
Date: 8 August, 2026 (Saturday)
Time: 10:45 am (Final Presentation)
Venue: W.H. Smith Memorial School, Sigra, Varanasi

OFFLINE EVENT

EVENT 9: PAINTING PEACE

Mask Making Competition

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EVENT RULES

1. There will be one participant. A participant has the choice to be accompanied by a model.

2. Participants must showcase original designs and concepts.

3. Maximum time allotted is 1 hour for preparation. Additional 3 minutes will be allotted to explain the design and question/answer during the final presentation.

4. Judging criteria includes originality, adherence to the theme, neatness.

5. Participants have to explain the inspiration behind the concept within 2 minutes.

6. Non-compliance with any of the aforementioned rules may result in disqualification.

7. Decision of the judges will be final and abiding to all.

EVENT 10 : PAINT YOUR POEM *Poetry On Canvas*

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CLASSES 9, 10, 11, 12

STREAM 3

Topic: ***Topic to be disclosed on the spot***
Duration: 2 hour (Preparation)
Date: 8 August, 2026 (Saturday)
Time: 11:45 am (Final Display)
Venue: W.H. Smith Memorial School, Sigra, Varanasi



OFFLINE EVENT

EVENT 10 : PAINT YOUR POEM

Poetry On Canvas

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EVENT RULES

1.There will be two participants- one artist and one writer.

2.The poem must reflect: originality, creativity and clarity of thought. There should be a clear visual harmony between the poem and the artwork.

3.Canvas & Writing Specifications-
- An A4 sheet will be provided for writing the poem.
- A 12 × 15 inch canvas will be provided for painting.
- Teams may carry their own writing material for rough work.

4.Content Guidelines-
- Length: Minimum 10 lines and maximum 15 lines.
- Language: English or Hindi.
- The poem must be original.
- Plagiarism or pre-written content is strictly prohibited and will lead to disqualification.

5.Design & Presentation-
- The poem must be written in Bold CAPITAL letters and in **BLACK INK** only.
- Artwork may be created using Acrylic colours, Poster colours or Bold markers.
- School Code must be clearly mentioned on both- The poem sheet and the canvas.

6.Time Limit-
- Total duration: 2 Hours.
- 30 minutes for discussion and planning.
- 1 hour 30 minutes for writing and painting.
- No extra time.

7.Any form of unfair means will lead to disqualification.

8.Decision of the judges will be final and abiding to all.



CONCORDIA CARNIVAL

AGENDA

REGISTRATION
8:00 am to 9:15 am

TEEN TECH
9:30 am

EPOCH ELEGANCE:
9:30 am to 10:45 am
(Designing and Preparation)

11:00 am
(Final Presentation)

PAINTING PEACE
9:30 am to 10:30 am
(Preparation)

10:45 am
(Final Presentation)

PAINT YOUR POEM
9:30 am to 11:30 am
(Preparation)

11:45 am
(Final Display)

CLOSING CEREMONY AND PRIZE DISTRIBUTION

DATE

8 August, 2026 (Saturday)

VENUE

William Henry Smith Memorial School,
D-59/108, Sigra, Varanasi-221010,
Uttar Pradesh

TIME

OFFLINE EVENTS
9:30 am Sharp

CLOSING CEREMONY AND PRIZE DISTRIBUTION
1:30 pm

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"IF WE HAVE NO PEACE,
IT IS BECAUSE WE HAVE FORGOTTEN THAT
WE BELONG TO EACH OTHER"

Mother Teresa