





Principal's Note

“MANY a day and night my bark stood ready laden;

Waiting fav'ring winds, I sat with true friends round me,

Pledging me to patience and to courage, In the haven.

And they spoke thus with impatience twofold:

"Gladly pray we for thy rapid passage,

Gladly for thy happy voyage; fortune

In the distant world is waiting for thee,

In our arms thoult find thy prize, and love too, When returning.”

(Excerpt from 'The Sea Voyage by Johann Wolfgang von Goethe )

A tribute to the journey that started long ago, which waves and winds alike have tried to thwart, the misgivings that have caused shivers often, but humans are known for writing, in books of gold, stories fragrant with ascents and descents.

Billabong has turned 20! - Two decades of shaping lives and minds, ushering hundreds who made it to the world. The tree has blossomed and spread its roots into the dark caverns fostered by a highly determined couple who have, since its cradle days, seen happiness in the tears of those who walk in, hand in hand, and those who walk out in their regalia, with tears and smiles.

The family has grown since then. The journey has been a fulfilling one, and yet it's far from over.

The leaps the school has taken, in academics and other allied fields, have been phenomenal, making everyone bask in its glory. Together we have done it! We have many such miles to achieve and many more smiles to create. With a thousand dreams to see and live, let us create our Odyssey - a story, that recounts every moment that makes our Billabong proud, every child whose winnings are celebrated, and every parent who sees their dream come to life in their kids who have their hearts within. The gates are flung open for those who share our aspirations, and hang in there for it, be it in the classroom or on the field. The house is bubbling with unwinged cherubs who are ready to take their first flight. Let us make them rise and shine!

And at Billabong we believe... (to conclude with what I started as an excerpt:)

“...fortune

In the distant world is waiting for thee,

In our arms thoult find thy prize, and love too, When returning.”

Vibing, Thriving, Roaring 20!

- Ashish Agarwal

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Lost in CHANGE Found in BELONGING



The journey from New Delhi to Bhopal felt endless, not just in distance but in the emotions I carried. As I left behind familiar streets, friends, and memories, I stepped into the unknown, uncertain of what lay ahead. As the cityscape faded into the horizon, nostalgia clung to me like a second skin. Could anything ahead ever measure up to the world I was leaving behind? Throughout the journey, questions raced through my mind. Would I fit in? Would I ever feel at home again?

When I first walked through the corridors of Billabong High International School Bhopal, I was a bundle of nerves. The hallways echoed with laughter and lively conversations, yet I felt like an outsider, a puzzle piece that did not quite fit. The energy was infectious, but I remained on the periphery, wondering if I would ever be a part of it. Sometimes, home is not where you come from; it is where you are embraced for who you are. And that is what Billabong became for me.

My classmates welcomed me with warmth that melted my hesitation. There were no forced introductions or awkward small talk. It was as if I had stepped into a conversation already waiting for me. One afternoon, a debate over whether pineapple belongs on pizza was in full swing. I hesitated to join, afraid of disrupting their rhythm. But before I could withdraw, someone turned to me and said, "Come on, what is your take? Do not tell me you are one of those pineapple haters." That simple question shattered the ice. Hours of laughter and effortless conversations followed, and in that moment, I was no longer just the new kid. I was one of them.

The teachers were not just educators but mentors

who challenged us to think beyond textbooks. Lessons were not mere lectures but dialogues that sparked curiosity. The school leadership was not a distant authority but a guiding force, ensuring every student walked through the gates with purpose and left with confidence.

Over time, the intimidating corridors transformed into spaces of inspiration. The classrooms became arenas of intellectual discovery. Friendships deepened, turning classmates into confidants and mentors.

With each passing day, I felt more rooted in this community, not a stranger navigating unfamiliar territory but someone who truly belonged.

As Billabong High Bhopal celebrates twenty years, I reflect on how it has evolved beyond being just a school. It is a canvas of aspirations where potential flourishes into excellence, learning is a joyful pursuit, individuality is embraced, and leadership is nurtured in every student.

Billabong High has been a guiding light, empowering young minds to dream boldly and shape their futures. It has remained unwavering in its mission to cultivate global citizens who are ethically grounded, intellectually curious, and confidently ambitious. Looking back, I realize my journey was never just about adjusting to a new school. It was about discovering what home truly means. Home is not a place on a map; it is where you are nurtured, where you grow, and where you find the courage to soar.

Today, I am not just a student of Billabong High but a part of its enduring legacy. It has shaped me, and its essence will guide me wherever life takes me.

- Simar Kalsi (11D)

Editor's Note

“The butterfly counts not months but moments, and has time enough.”

- Rabindranath Tagore

Time is quite a deceiver. In the present, it stretches endlessly, yet in hindsight, it condenses into fleeting moments. Billabong has always been my second home, a place of comfort and growth that has shaped me in ways I never imagined.

I still remember stepping through these gates as a nervous child, unsure of what lay ahead. Today, nearly twelve years later, I write this as the Editor-in-Chief, filled with gratitude and nostalgia. This transformation is not mine alone but the odyssey of every student who has walked these halls and discovered their purpose.

The 20th Odyssey edition is special as we

celebrate twenty years of Billabong's legacy. Every milestone deserves a meaningful tribute. With this issue, we commemorate the changes our school has embraced, from its evolving infrastructure to the growing opportunities it offers. But the foundation remains intact, the love and warmth every student is greeted with is still there, waiting to enlighten lives with its magic. We, too, have grown, yet we stay rooted in the essence of who we are.

As we turn these pages, let us remember that time is not measured in years but in the moments that define us. Billabong is our shared story, and each chapter that unfolds brings forth its own nuance to the story.



- Kanishka Paltani, Editor-in-Chief





**Celebrating 20 Years: A Note of Gratitude**  
 Twenty years. Two decades. A score! It's incredible to look back and see how much we've grown from those early days with a handful of children and staff to the thriving learning community we are today. But then, when we think about all the possibilities that lie ahead, all the learning yet to come... suddenly, twenty years feels like just the beginning.  
 Two decades ago, BHIS was founded as a school where learning wasn't just about knowledge but also about purpose. Ever since, we've been guided by the belief that education should be meaningful and contribute to making the world a little better. Every decision we make, every program we implement, and every action we undertake is guided by this belief. This is also reflected in our shared vision: "Nurturing a value-based community of globally competent lifelong learners skilled to lead change."  
 Over these years, new members have joined our community, we've learned from each other, and we've transformed. Sharing personally, having joined only two years ago, I've experienced it as a welcoming and safe place—a place that accepts you as you are and prepares you to join the mission with full force.  
 This journey of twenty years wouldn't have been possible without the participation of our students, the involvement of our parents, and the commitment of our staff. You are all such incredible partners, and we're thrilled to celebrate this milestone with you. Together, we will embrace future challenges and seize meaningful opportunities, always focused on our core purpose.  
 Looking ahead, we remain dedicated to cultivating a safe, inclusive and inspiring learning environment where every member of the Billabong community feels respected, valued, and empowered. We will continue to innovate, embrace technology, and create enriching learning experiences that help our students unlock their full potential.  
 Thank you once again for your support and for being an integral part of the Billabong family. We look forward to many more years of collaborative growth and success!  
 To the next decade and beyond!

- Priyanka Jain

Junior School Head & Parent of Paridhi (2023-Present)



मैं विल्लाबोंग विद्यालय परिवार की बहुत आभारी हूँ तथा मुझे इस परिवार के साथ लम्बे समय से काम करने का सौभाग्य प्राप्त है, और अब यह मेरा परिवार भी है। यहाँ मुझे समय-समय पर अनेकों प्रकार से सहयोग मिलता रहा है।  
 मैं स्वयं को अपने इस परिवार के साथ प्रगति पथ पर अग्रसर होते देखना चाहती हूँ।

- Babita Sen

Support Staff since 2007



मैं विल्लाबोंग विद्यालय परिवार में एक छोटी सी भूमिका को सन २००२ से अदा कर रहा हूँ।  
 इस परिवार की सकारात्मक सोच “सबका साथ सबका विकास, सबका विश्वास” के कारण कोविड जैसी विश्व स्तर की महामारी में भी इस परिवार से जुड़े किसी भी सदस्य एवं उनके परिवार को आर्थिक एवं व्यावहारिक रूप से तनिक भी कष्ट नहीं हुआ। यह अपने आप में इस विल्लाबोंग विद्यालय के लिए बहुत बड़ी उपलब्धि है।  
 मैं इस परिवार का सदस्य होने पर गर्व महसूस करता हूँ। तथा इसके उज्जवल भविष्य की कामना करता हूँ।

- Sukhendra Parihar

Estate Manager since 2003



Almost seventeen years ago, my husband and I were visiting a neighboring school for our older daughter's admission when we stumbled upon a seemingly new institution we had never heard of. On a whim, we decided to step inside, expecting little. But that spontaneous decision lay the foundation of a lifelong bond with BHIS, Bhopal.  
 We entered the impressive foyer, where the grandeur of folk art from around the world adorned its towering walls. An air of warmth and positivity enveloped us, with gleaming, vibrant faces welcoming us. But what truly captured my heart was the genuine love and affection for children that radiated from everyone we met that day.  
 Since then, the journey has been nothing short of extraordinary. From a proud parent to an even prouder employee, my connection with BHIS, Bhopal has only deepened. Over the years, this institution has shaped the dreams and lives of countless individuals, nurturing remarkable young minds who continue to make a positive impact on the world.

- Hema Nair

School Mentor (2009-present) & Parent of Saumya (2008-2015) & Sanjana (2009-2024)



I had two First Days at Billabong, first as a young child in Grade 2 and then again in Grade 11. Returning the second time, I felt both a comforting familiarity and an exciting sense of change. While it was heartwarming to revisit a place filled with fond memories, so much had evolved with new buildings and new faces. This unique blend of warmth and growth is what makes Billabong truly special. It feels like home while continuously striving for new heights.  
 I hope future students embrace their journey here, cherish every moment, step beyond their comfort zones, and create lasting memories. Congratulations to Billabong on twenty years of remarkable impact.  
*(Bachelor's in Computer Science, Princeton University, and currently working as a Software Development Engineer at Amazon Robotics.)*

- Bharat Govil

Alumnus, Batch of 2016



**A Decade and Three of Gratitude**  
 I have always believed that building an institution requires strategy, vision, leadership, and consistent efforts. Billabong has lived up to this belief. Over the thirteen years of our journey and relationship with Billabong, I have seen the school grow by integrating all these essential elements, along with the inclusivity of stakeholders, to evolve and flourish.  
 Walking down memory lane, I remember stepping into the school with Nilotama, where Najam Sir welcomed my child with a smile and a purpose. Though we had a transferable job, the school's environment—its friendships, dedicated teachers, and engaging activities—convinced us to continue with Billabong. My strong desire was to educate my child in an ICSE school, as I deeply understood and appreciated this curriculum and I'm proud that I chose this school for it.  
 Some of the activities that remain close to my heart, as I enjoyed them equally with my child, include:

- The quarterly culmination day, which followed the completion of science and social science concepts in the junior section.
- Library books, which I fondly read and discussed with my child.
- Dance Competitions, Debates and Hindi poem competitions, where I introduced my favorite Hindi poems and poets through Nilotama.
- And many more—curriculum updates, sports, art and cultural events, farm festivals, parent-coordinator interactions, feedback and feed-forward systems, school magazine themes, cleanliness and gratitude lessons, engagement and participation of every child in the school events and countless other experiences.

Over the years, I have witnessed the school's commitment to academic excellence, the dedication of teachers who shaped my child's nature while nurturing her, the deep friendships she built, and the invaluable life skills she gained from the school's environment. As a parent, I have celebrated the school's achievements and stood by it through challenges. I never hesitated to provide feedback—whether about school bags or school openings on Saturdays. We discussed, debated, and found solutions together.  
 When I see confidence, knowledge, passion for work, and leadership qualities in my child today, I know I could not have done it alone without the school's support.  
 I extend my heartfelt gratitude to the teachers and principal, who have been mentors; to the staff, who have supported us in countless ways; and to the school leadership, for their vision and dedication. A BIG thank you and All the Very Best! This school will always hold a special place in my heart, and I will continue to cherish the bonds we have built here.

- Pooja Singh

Parent of Nilotama Singh (2012 - 2025)





20 YEARS - 20 ACTS OF KINDNESS

To celebrate two decades of Billabong, we stepped out into the world that helped us grow. Because a school doesn’t thrive alone, it flourishes with its community. This was our way of saying thank you, and reminding our students that true success is rooted in gratitude and giving back.



Classroom Celebrations



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Every classroom lit up with smiles and frosting as students joined in the sweet celebration of our school's 20th birthday!



Environmental Cleaning



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Students from grade 1 took initiative to keep their surroundings clean through a thoughtful cleanliness drive.



Making Seed Balls



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Students from grade 3 contributed to a greener future by making seed balls.



Paper Recycling



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Students from grade 4 took steps toward sustainability by recycling paper.





Students from grade 5 expressed appreciation by creating thank-you cards.



Students from grade 6 crafted bird feeders to show kindness towards our feathered friends.



Students from grade 7 served warm meals to the school staff in a touching act of gratitude in a Pangat.



Students from grade 8 created learning aids to support education in marginalized schools.



A moment of peace—sound therapy sessions offered to school support staff as a gesture of care.



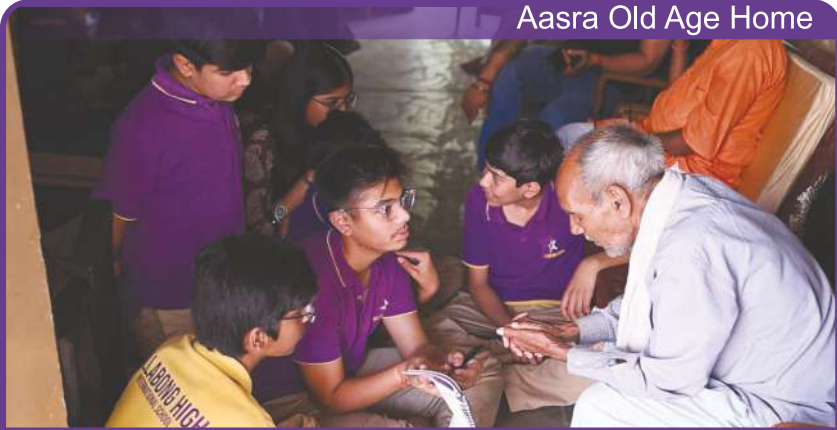
Students from grade 9 bonded over art with children residing at Shyam Nagar.







Aasra Old Age Home



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Students from grade 9 shared joy and stories during their heart-warming visit.

SOS Village



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Students from grade 9 had a meaningful day as they bonded with children during their visit.

National Association for the Blind



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Students from grade 9 bridging the gap by engaging in empathetic conversations.

Visit to a Local Animal Shelter



Visit to a Local Animal Shelter



Students from grade 9 spent a kind-hearted day caring for injured and abandoned animals at Prakriti – Hope For Stray.

Visit to the Orphanage



Visit to the Orphanage



Students from grade 9 spent a memorable day filled with laughter at Nirmala Shishu Sadan.





Visit to the Paediatric Ward



Visit to the Paediatric Ward

A compassionate gesture by grade 9 students as they interacted with young patients at Jai Prakash Hospital.



Anti-bullying Campaign



Anti-bullying Campaign

Students from grade 10 performed impactful street plays, open mics, and dances to raise awareness against bullying.



Storytelling Sessions



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Students from grade 10 kindled young imaginations through engaging storytelling sessions for the primary grades.



Environmental Awareness at New Market



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Students from grade 12 raised their voices for the environment through a powerful Nukkad Natak and planter distribution at New Market.



Nidaan Child Care & Therapy Centre



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Students from grade 12 brought smiles to children during their visit to Nidaan Child Care and Therapy Centre.





As I reflect on my journey at Billabong High International School, Bhopal, which began in 2014, I am filled with a sense of pride and belonging. This school has been my second home, where I've had the privilege of nurturing young minds and watching them blossom into compassionate, creative, and confident individuals. The school's commitment to academic excellence, character development, and community service aligns with my own values and passions. I feel grateful to be part of a community that shares my vision for empowering the next generation of leaders. As we celebrate 20 incredible years, I am honored to be part of this milestone. I look forward to many more years of growth, learning, and making a difference together. As I look to the future, I am excited to see the impact that our students will make in the world. With the values of empathy, integrity, and resilience that they have developed during their time at Billabong, I have no doubt that they will go on to achieve great things and make a positive difference in their communities."

- Manbir Kour  
Coordinator, Grades 3 & 4 since 2021



When I see Billabong I compare it with 'Trees and Grass', because the quote below clarifies my admiration for this home away from home. "Knowing trees, I understand the meaning of patience. Knowing grass, I can appreciate persistence." The two strongest pillars Najam and Samina are for me epitome of patience and persistence. Simplicity, patience and compassion are the biggest treasures of this heaven-like place. I admire elegance and have an appreciation for finer things in life and to me, beauty lies in simplicity. So I wish Billabong is not devoid of it ever."

- Shagun Lakhanpal  
Teacher Since 2010 & Parent of Nikhil (2010-2017)



Fourteen years at Billabong High have gifted me countless memories—from first graders' shaky letters to fourth graders' eloquent essays. Through screens and classrooms, we've shared magical "Aha!" moments and heartwarming acts of kindness. Witnessing their milestones—a nervous reader embracing books, a hesitant speaker leading assemblies—has been my privilege. As we celebrate 20 remarkable years, I'm filled with gratitude for the children, the memories, and the joy of watching their confidence bloom. Their transformations, from timid whispers to unshakable voices, have been my greatest reward. Teaching isn't just my job; it's my calling. And Billabong has made it my destiny."

- Gayatri Ramchandran  
Teacher since 2011



My journey with Billabong began in 2013, and from day one, it felt like home. Billabong has been my family, where I have made some wonderful lifelong friends and shared a deep connection with my amazing students. Watching our students evolve into confident, compassionate individuals has been truly rewarding. Billabong has been instrumental in shaping me, both personally and professionally, thanks to the invaluable guidance and unwavering trust of Ms. Samina and the steadfast support of Mr. Najam. As we celebrate 20 years of Billabong, I look forward to seeing our school soar to even greater heights. Here's to many more years of excellence and innovation!"

- Mrinal Gadre  
Coordinator Grades 7 & 8 & Parent of Rohan since 2013



My journey at Billabong began at the school gate, where the smile and Namaste of the guard reassured me that I was in the right place. However small this gesture may seem, it remains etched in my memory as part of my first day at Billabong. During my initial days, there was always someone willing to extend a helping hand, making each day better and more beautiful. This included not only staff members but also students! I have countless cherished memories from these years. A few that stand out include my first Math class, the Annual Concert before COVID-19, the morning activity sessions after we returned from the long gap caused by the pandemic, and all the Teachers' Day celebrations—the list is endless. My experience over these six years has shaped me into a different person altogether. I joined Billabong as a challenge to step out of my comfort zone and prove to myself that hard work and patience are the keys to success. I would like to conclude by saying that Billabong has truly been my guiding light, my North Star!"

- Minita Goyal  
Coordinator, Grades 5 & 6 since 2019



"As I look back on my time at BHIS Bhopal, I am filled with fond memories, a sense of pride and gratitude. From celebrating milestones to overcoming challenges, the school has been a constant source of support and inspiration. I am honored to have played a part in shaping the lives of leaders of tomorrow. The school's emphasis on values, academic excellence, and community service has inspired me to make a positive impact. I have seen children develop into empathetic, open-minded, and responsible individuals. Here's to many more years of nurturing young minds!"

- Snehal Dandel  
Teacher since 2016



Eight months. That's all it took for Billabong in Bhopal to recognise my leadership skills and ignite a spark to learn that still burns brightly. From guiding English in grades 3 & 4, coordinating a grade, and then the privilege to embrace the little ones as Preschool Coordinator, it has been a concentrated experience. The school's culture, supportive atmosphere, and unwavering focus on their vision and mission provided a powerful training ground that continues to shape my educational philosophy and fuel my passion for learning and leadership in education."

- Pooja Saran  
Coordinator, Preschool & parent of Pransh & Anujay since 2024



Billabong High has been a part of our lives for a decade now. Our two daughters Lavanya and Kainaath, have had their best childhood times spent in this school. While Lavanya being a state topper, is now a medical school student, the younger one Kainaath, studies in the school, brightly narrating the school stories and various activities she is involved with, at the dinner table every night. We listen to these stories with a great sense of pride. We have great experiences of excellence gathered through the school activities and the environment of academic and holistic development of its students. No doubt, we recommended this school to so many friends. We have been favourably attached to the school through its engagements with parents and the connection the school creates with the families. Some of our best family friends have been introduced through the school based parents' meetings. Billabong High has come up as a very important and illustrious institution of learning - an institution which stands as a source of pride for Bhopal."

- Vineet Kapoor and Dr. Shalini Kapoor  
Parents of Lavanya (2010-2024) & Kainaath (2014 - Present)



Happy Birthday Billabong! Completing 20 years with my institution has been a journey of growth, learning, and transformation. These years have shaped my resilience and passion while allowing me to witness students and educators evolve and contribute meaningfully to society. The institution has been more than a workplace; it's a second home built on teamwork and dedication. With each passing year, I have grown, becoming a better human, a dedicated facilitator, and a well-rounded individual. This journey has enriched me with invaluable experiences and relationships. As I celebrate this milestone, I feel immense gratitude and look forward to many more years of togetherness and excellence ahead! Proud to be a Billabonger"

- Taruna Sharma  
Grade Coordinator (7 & 8) since 2009





My Billabong, truly my extended family who co-partnered with me and my husband in nurturing my twins into confident, empowered, well informed and most importantly happy and secure adults. Thanks to the stress free environment created by remarkably competent and at the same time compassionate teachers who were very well aware that both my girls are uniquely different from each other and helped them explore their strengths and be aware of their challenges and work on them. Fifteen years at their beloved school I have always seen them excited to learn and excited to grow, always eager to get up to go to school. This speaks volumes about the conducive environment created here nurturing them sensitively.

I as a Parent felt I was always “heard” at Billabong. My concerns were unfailingly addressed by the Principal as well as the management. I can undoubtedly say that Billabong high Bhopal was one of the best things to have happened to my children! ”

**- Kartika Suri**

Parent of Hitakshika & Harshika (2007-2022)



To me, Billabong is about celebrations. My favourite part of the year being a Billabong parent has always been the term end culminations, sports days, and annual concert. My elder daughter graduated in 2022 and is currently studying at UCL and my younger one has just finished her board exams, so I have spent 16 years eagerly attending them. I made it a tradition that my children planted a tree on every birthday at school to celebrate a year of growth and this nurturing environment. Both my daughters had served as Editor-in-Chief which was a pivotal role in their transformation from shy little toddlers into sensitive and capable young women. Their inauguration ceremonies were my happiest memories in school, where I watched them take up the mantle of being the new leaders of the school. While report cards reflect one side of a child’s development, it is fascinating to see a show celebrating the holistic growth of children in areas such as dance, music, athletics, etc which reflected their passion, confidence, and creativity. Billabong isn’t just a school—it’s a foundation for lifelong growth, shaping individuals who are compassionate, curious, and ready to make a positive impact.”

**- Charu Sadho**

Parent of Hia (2007-2022) & Devyani (2010-2025)



From the moment I joined this institution, I was struck by its welcoming atmosphere, positive spirit, and forward-thinking approach. The school has evolved significantly, moving from formal written requests for special day celebrations to a more streamlined and efficient communication system. I'm incredibly proud to see children I taught in Senior KG now serving as student council members. My own journey, from a classroom teacher to a grade coordinator, has been filled with valuable learning and experiences.

Over the past decade with the Billabong family, I've witnessed a strong sense of unity and deep empathy among the staff. I've also observed their consistent support for the support staff. Their cooperation during the challenging times of COVID was remarkable, with the school readily assisting every member of the community. I am truly proud to be a part of the Billabong family.

On its 20th anniversary, I extend my best wishes to my beloved school and pray for its continued success and growth.”

**- Archana Rai**

Teacher Since 2013 & Parent of Angad & Aarohi (2021-Present)



My experience at Billabong High International School in Bhopal has been nothing short of amazing. Watching my child thrive in such a nurturing environment has been truly heartwarming. When our family faced some medical challenges, the school was incredibly supportive every step of the way. They have shown us compassion day after day. I will forever be grateful and cannot express my gratitude towards their understanding and support in supporting my child’s educational journey.

I’ve seen the school go above and beyond in caring for their students. Over the years, the events they have organized have been a beautiful celebration of creativity and community. It’s been great to see them be successful year after year. Even after 2 decades it feels like we are all still part of the same family. Celebrating 20 years of legacy, I wish them many more successful years ahead.”

**- Priti Verma**

Parent of Jigisha (2009 - 2014) & Adi (2010 -2019)



दो दशक!  
दो दशक उन्नति के, विश्वास के, उत्तरोत्तर प्रगति के, स्नेह के, अपनेपन के, चुनौतियों के, विजय के ! परिवर्तन सृष्टि का नियम है- इसे संज्ञान में रखते हुए, बदलाव को स्वीकार करते हुए भी, केंद्र में उसी भावना का महत्व बनाए रखना, जिस भावना से संस्था की नींव डाली गयी थी, यही इस संस्था की सबसे बड़ी खूबी है। यही सकारात्मक सोच हम सभी को आपस में जोड़े रखती है।

शाला की एक अन्य महत्वपूर्ण खूबी यह भी है कि व्यक्तित्व का चहुँमुखी विकास हो यह सोच केवल विद्यार्थियों तक ही सीमित नहीं है, अपितु संस्था से जुड़े प्रत्येक व्यक्ति के लिए समान रूप से इस सोच का क्रियान्वयन होता है क्योंकि यहाँ हम मानते हैं कि सीखने की कोई उम्र नहीं होती, जो कि सत्य है।

कवि निराला की पंक्तियाँ  
“जीवन की तरी खोल दे रे जग की उच्चा लहरों पर!”.....-यहाँ सार्थक प्रतीत होती है। चाहे शिक्षा का क्षेत्र हो या खेल का, साहित्य का हो या तकनीक का, या हो ललित कलाओं का, विभिन्न क्षेत्रों में अपनी सफलता का परचम लहराते हुए आत्मविश्वास से भरे विद्यार्थियों को देखकर गर्व की अनुभूति होती है कि हम बिलबाँग परिवार के सदस्य हैं।”

**- Shanu Sangar**

Teacher since 2012 & Parent of Srishti (2012-2016)



As Billabong celebrates its 20th anniversary, I reflect on my time there with immense fondness. The opportunities to grow and learn were invaluable, shaping my journey every step of the way. Billabong allowed me to explore various interests, some of which have become lifelong hobbies, while others have directly influenced my professional work.

I am deeply grateful to the teachers and staff who encouraged me to step outside my comfort zone. Their guidance has been essential in my journey from student to undergraduate, business professional, and now MBA candidate at IIM Calcutta.

To the outgoing class, my simple advice is: trust your abilities, stay grounded, and focus on the small victories.”

**- Harshvardhan Rastogi**

Alumnus, Batch of 2016



Wow! Twenty years! Revisiting my memories of Billabong has brought back a flood of happy feelings. It was the first time I truly experienced warmth and love in a work environment.

“Workplace” almost feels like the wrong word, as it quickly became a sanctuary for so many of us. The school's vibrant energy was palpable, something both students and teachers thrived on. No one ever wanted to miss a day. We were a family, with Najam and Samina as our guiding stars. Seeing the school thriving after all these years fills me with immense pride and happiness. While I miss being an integral part of Billabong, I know I will always carry it with me.”

**- Sherry Manocha**

Teacher (2006 - 2013) & Parent of Aishwarya (2006-2014) & Arjun (2006-2015)





As Billabong High celebrates its second decade bright,  
I recall my faith in its vision, a guiding light.  
To nurture value-based education, a noble quest,  
Cultivating global competence, and lifelong learners at their best.

This school holds a special place, deep within my heart,  
A transformative journey, from the very start.  
Shaping young minds, fostering community ties,  
Every moment enriching, a treasure to realize.

Memories of collaboration, inspiration, and growth,  
Witnessing the school community flourish, a true wealth.  
Billabong High is more than just a school's name,  
A family that nurtures, supports, and empowers, a noble aim.

Grateful for the journey, twenty years of excellence told,  
A story of growth, learning, and memories to hold.  
Here's to many more years, of shaping minds and hearts,  
Billabong High, a shining star, forever to impart.

- Archana Kekre

Coordinator, Grades 1 & 2 (2005-present) & Parent of Aanyaa (2007-2021) & Aavya (2016-present)



[My] Children walking, growing  
Among those long, wide corridors with the painted pillars  
Amidst accepting, embracing friends  
Under the guardianship of mentors who gave them their sense of self, believed in them, cherished their individuality...  
Liberating 'twas all for the students who awaited  
Neither preconceived notions, nor whispered tales among those who 'taught'  
Just open mindedness - to listen to the narrative that'd fashioned the child  
To heal perhaps -  
To embolden, empower  
Grow true into the image of each one  
Imprinted in the mind of their teacher:  
The vision, the insight  
all granted at Billabong  
all gifted by Billabong!

- Swati Panvalkar

Teacher (2006 - 2022) & Parent of Parth (2006-2014), Prachi (2006-2017), & Siyona (2010-2022)



Two Decades of a Dream

As BHIS Bhopal approaches its 20th anniversary, I find myself overwhelmed with emotions: pride, nostalgia, and immense gratitude. Having been a part of this journey for over 16 years, I have seen this institution grow, brick by brick, into not just a school, but a thriving, nurturing community.

I still remember the early days, the excitement of new beginnings, the challenges of setting up systems, and the vision to bring a change. I have witnessed classrooms transform, corridors echo with laughter, and students step into the world with confidence and dreams. Every year, I have watched young minds grow, graduate, and return, now as accomplished individuals, sharing stories of how Billabong shaped their lives. This school has been more than a workplace, it has been a second home. I have learned as much as I have contributed, evolving with every challenge and triumph. The dedication of my colleagues, the trust of parents, and the boundless energy of our students have made every moment worth it. As we celebrate this milestone, I carry forward the same passion and commitment that brought me here all those years ago. Here's to Billabong, to the memories we've built, and to the future we are yet to create—together.

- Tanuja Dadhich

School Administrator since 2007



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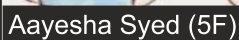
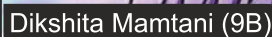
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- Ramesh Mehra

Support Staff Member since 2009









OUR MISSION

Our mission is to cultivate an ethical culture where each member of the school community feels valued and can thrive in a diverse yet interconnected world.

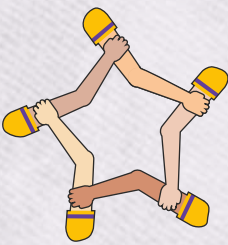
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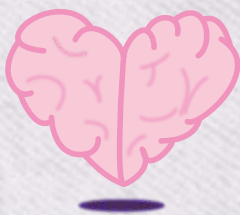
Instilling Habits of Virtues



Celebrating Uniqueness



Establishing Meaningful Relationships



Fostering a Love of Learning



Developing Ownership of Learning



Creating Ample Leadership Opportunities

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Tracing the Global Journey of Our Graduates

