## SCHOOLNOTES



The Aditya Birla World Academy, Tardeo, organised an interactive session with tennis great Andre Agassi for its students.

## DATE WITH ANDRE AGASSI FOR ADITYA BIRI A ACADEMY STUDENTS

STUDENTS OF ADITYA BIRLA WORLD ACADEMY, TARDEO, had a once-in-alifetime opportunity of interacting with Andre Agassi, a former World No 1 tennis player. The school organised the interactive session in its auditorium on December 12. In his opening speech, Agassi spoke about how he started playing tennis when he was just 9 months old, with a ping-pong racket taped to his hand and a balloon hanging from his crib. He also shared inspiring stories from his career and kept the audience entertained with his witty comments. He discussed his relationship with his father, who wanted Agassi to focus only on tennis, because of which he did not get much exposure to education or any other fields. In the session, he stressed on the importance of education, "Even with all the glamour in my life, I still wished I could have gone down the path of education," said Agassi, who dropped out of school when he was in Class 9. This turned out to be one of the reasons behind him funding many schools in Las Vegas under the Andre Agassi foundation. When a student asked him about the most influential person in his life, he answered "My father, for better or for worse". Agassi is a 1996 Olympic gold medalist. He was one of the game's most dominant players from the early 1990s to the mid 2000s.

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