HINDUSTAN TIMES-C FORE SURVEY 2014

Best schools in the city's south

CLASS ACT Here are the 10 schools from the south zone that ranked highest on various parameters - this includes areas between Byculla and Colaba



HELLO READERS, WE ARE VERY pleased to present the sixth HT Top Schools survey.

Parents give a lot of thought and time while selecting a school for their child. Curriculum, teaching standards, school infrastructure, fees, location, safety—all these factors are crucial while making that choice.

Earlier, there were few options in curriculum and a small list of old and established institutions to pick from when choosing a school for your child. Now, new-age campuses and legislation, such as the Right to Education Act, are revolutionising school education. With an explosion in the number of schools and a wider choice of Indian and international curricula, the task of finding the best school is tougher than ever.

We hope our list of the top schools in Mumbai will help you arrive at that important decision.

The methodology used to select the city's top schools (detailed below) involves a formula that has proved its efficacy since 2009, when HT first gave you a list of Mumbai's best schools. Over the years, some of your suggestions have been incorporated in the selection process.

This week, we list the best schools in Mumbai, Thane and Navi Mumbai. Apart from the rankings, we have profiles of the top institutions in each zone, followed by a series of reports next week that will track the trends and developments in the fast-changing world of school education.



ADITYA BIRLA WORLD ACADEMY

JD Road, Tardeo Website: www.adityabirlaworldacademy.com

HISTORY: The Aditya Birla Group set up the school in 2008-09 and it is run by the Aditya Birla Education Trust. The chairperson of the school is Neerja Birla.

UNIQUE FEATURES: Students learn community service through rural development programmes. Class 11 students benefit from a comprehensive internship programme. Students have also visited CERN in Geneva, and some even attend a three-week residential programme at reputed universities.

"We live true to our mission to nurture the innate potential of students. Accolades we may win aplenty, but for us, the emotional well-being of children is a priority. The best reward is to see their smiling faces, eager to embark on a journey of learning."

— RADHIKA SINHA, principal

Highest ratings for: ■Teachers ■Academic rigour ■Attitude towards learning

Boards: Class 10 — IGCSE, Class 12 —IB DP, A-Level Annual fee: Not disclosed Students: 550 boys and girls Student-teacher ratio: 6:1

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The only pure international school to feature in the top 10 schools in South Mumbai!