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## **EXCURSION TO SHIMLA**

*“Nothing ever becomes real till it is experienced.”*

**John Keats**

Excursions and educational trips provide opportunities for experiential learning and are an integral part of the curriculum at Bal Bharati Public School, Noida. In its endeavour to focus on the holistic development of children and to make learning fun, an excursion to Shimla was organized from 5<sup>th</sup> June 2019 - 8<sup>th</sup> June 2019 for classes IX- XII. A group of 76 enthusiastic students escorted with 5 teachers, 1 non-teaching staff member and 2 parent volunteers thoroughly enjoyed the trip.

### **Day I (05.06.19)**

The group assembled at the school to board the AC coaches to Shimla. They boarded the buses with excitement and the journey began at around 10:30 pm. It was a comfortable and safe ride till Shimla with halts at Murthal and Panchkula for freshening up.



**The Enthusiastic Troop**



**Shimla Summer Festival**



**Running Ahead**

### Day II ( 06.06.19 )

The early morning rays woke everyone up to the picturesque views of green pastures, mountains and valleys. They cherished the beauty of pine, deodar, oak forests and swaying fields enroute.

The beautiful drive to Shimla was enjoyed by one and all. The weather welcomed the group with a soft breeze and drizzle which added to the pleasure. The enthusiastic troop reached Shimla at around 9:00am and stayed at the hotel- Asia-The Dawn where they relished yummy and healthy breakfast followed by rest.

The students got ready for the adventurous trek to Jaku temple and the mall road post their lunch at the hotel. They strolled through the Shimla Summer Festival being held at Ridge . This festival is conducted annually since the 1960s and is a celebration of the bountiful harvest of the year. It was a gala of musical, cultural and folk performances. The bazaars were set up serving local cuisines and handicrafts.

From here they started the adventurous trek to Jaku temple which is situated on Jakhoo Hills at the height of 2455 m above sea level. The temple is devoted to Lord Hanuman. The trek to Jaku temple offered breathtaking panoramic views of the hills and forests. The children enjoyed the trek and gathered unforgettable memories and had leisure time at the mall road, the Ridge and church. The day came to an end with a healthy dinner at the hotel and an enriched memory bank for all.



**Viewing World's Highest Cricket**



**Relishing Yummicious Food**

### Day III (07.06.19)

The day began with a wake up call and yet another day full of fun, frolic and adventure. After relishing their breakfast children boarded the buses and started for Chail and Kufri. After an hour's journey to Chail, the trek to the world's highest cricket pitch began. The group started energetically and took halts enroute as and when required, cherishing the beauty on the way. Built in 1893, by the Maharaja of Patiala, Bhupinder Singh ,at an elevation of 2444m, it stands to be the world's highest cricket pitch surrounded by thick forests of Deodar. This was followed by a visit to the Chail Palace. This palace was built as summer retreat by the Maharaja Of Patiala during the British Raj. It is well known for its architecture and surrounding dense forests.

The group travelled by bus to the Adventure Park at Kufri for lunch and other activities like Bungee jumping etc. The children spent some leisure time in the lap of nature and enjoyed the fresh and soft breeze. After spending some quality time close to nature, they boarded the buses and reached the hotel . Then they dined and got ready for the much awaited finale- DJ Music and Dance. This served as a cherry on the cake. Exhausted and yet excited they were sent to bed .



**Fun and Frolic with DJ**



**Delightful Moments – Food and Friends**



**Spellbound Spectators**

### **Day IV (08.06.19)**

The day began with an early wake up call and getting ready to leave for Delhi. We started from Shimla at 6:30 am and had yummy breakfast enroute at Kenwood and lunch at Karnal –Haveli. The enthusiastic troop enriched with experiences ,memories and new learnings, reached school at around 5:00 pm where the parents were waiting to embrace their bundles of joy.

The four day trip ended on a happy and contented note where each participant returned with memories to cherish forever.



**Enthralled Band**

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