

THE KINDERGARTEN STARTERS
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Dear Parents,

With a deep sense of pride and joy, I would like to announce that the Kindergarten Starters has won the SEWA Pioneers Award 2016 for **helping to relieve hardship and poverty and protecting the environment.**

*This year the school arranged a unique project: pupils were immersed in a short video clip depicting the story of a ten year old Zambian child, Victoria who walks more than 4 miles every day to fetch a bucket of drinking water. After watching the video pupils reflected and came up with several questions based on the video. Subsequent to the tuning in and immersion through reflection and class discussions over a week to create awareness among the students, parents and staff, all the 5300 students, 250 staff members and representative group of 50 parents walked for water on the 6th of October, 2015. They carried a bucket of water each for a short distance without spilling. This raised significant awareness of water challenges amongst the local community, pupils and parents. **What the Judges said "Large impact in student consciousness"***

To add to our accolades our student **Brent Dsouza who is just 11 years of age has been honoured with the Diana International Award for 2016-17.** This is the outcome when we change the way we teach at the Kindergarten Starters. We are so proud of all our staff who have been instrumental in Brent's success and of course to Brent and his amazing parents who have seized every opportunity the school gave him to excel. The Tolerance and Generosity curriculum has begun on a high note!

The Diana Award is awarded to courageous, caring, compassionate young people, transforming the lives of others in the name of Diana, Princess of Wales. Diana Award holders come from all walks of life and many have challenging and disadvantaged backgrounds, however they share a deep sense of social responsibility. They could be giving up their time to mentor other students, a young carer, taking part in anti-bullying initiatives, fundraising or campaigning for a cause close to their heart. Whatever they are doing, they have one thing in common, a desire to make a difference and improve the lives of others.

We know that if young people are encouraged for their efforts, they are empowered to reach their full potential and feel confident they can make change happen.

Warm regards,



Asha Alexander
Principal
