

# *Sarla Chopra DAV Public School, Sector – 56, Noida*

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## **EXPRESSIONS OF GRATITUDE**

### **Dear Students and Parents**

My journey as School Principal with DAV Organisation started on 01.03.1989 as founder Principal of D.A.V. Public School Fatehabad, Haryana- the institution which grew from a sapling to a big tree during 12 years of my service. I joined D.A.V. NOIDA on 30.09.2000 where I have been serving till date for the last 23 years.

My long association of more than 34 years with DAV Organization as a school leader has been a period of continuous growth and development. As Bernard Shaw said, "What we want is to see the child in pursuit of knowledge and not knowledge in pursuit of the child"; whether at D.A.V. Fatehabad school or at D.A.V. Noida, I along with my team of staff members have always been striving towards excellence in education through disruptive innovations by providing a stress free and friendly learning environment to children as well as teachers which has enabled us to build a culture of Innovation and Excellence in the school.

Today, D.A.V Noida boasts of standing tall with 3000 students on its roll and has been ranked as Top Ten Schools of Noida by Times of India consecutively for the last 8 years for its endless distinctive achievements in all spheres. May it be Sports, Academics, Music or Art, the D.A.V Noida students have made their mark and what matters most is that each and every student, when he comes out of the institution, is confident, curious, possessed with unique qualities of head and heart which makes his/her journey of life, a smooth sailing.

I feel proud to say that my services were recognised by D.A.V. College Managing Committee by conferring Mahatma Hans Raj Life Time Achievement Award on me in the year 2006 and also by CBSE which conferred me with CBSE National Award in the year 2018 in addition to many other distinguished awards.

Now, as I superannuate on 03.05.2023 at the age of 62 years after successfully completing 34 years of service including two years of extension in service, I want to put it on record my sincere thanks and heartfelt gratitude to all the stakeholders, without whose whole hearted support and cooperation. no stone could ever have been turned.

First of all, my heartfelt gratitude to all the students with whom I share a special bond- Children have been my Life, my Breath and all that I could do has been due to the force of their smiles and their love which helped me to work tirelessly and enthusiastically. I thank them for making me feel proud of myself and my institution which continuously achieved one milestone to another due to their hard work, their belief in themselves and their confidence with which they marched ahead.

My heartfelt gratitude to all the Parents with whose unflinching support, cooperation and above all Trust in us motivated us to dream bigger and bigger and translate our dreams for the children into reality through hand in hand efforts put together by the students, their teachers and the Parents themselves. Thank you very much!

All my expressions fall short of words when I think of paying my humble gratitude to all the staff members (teaching and non teaching) who have been behind all the milestones achieved, benchmarks set, awards won and the distinct achievements made.

There is a famous quote 'No Nation can rise above the level of its teachers'. The teachers of DAV Noida have been my biggest strength; their love for their profession, their commitment and passion for their work, self motivation, their sense of belongingness for the institution and above all their unconditional love for children made them understand the child and believe that each child is possessed with unique potential. And if the students of DAV Noida have been able to do exceptionally well and make extraordinary achievements, it has been possible because of the consistent efforts of the teachers combined with their spirit to learn and sharpen their skills by participating wholeheartedly in the in-service programmes throughout the year.

Last, but not the least, I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to DAVCMC, particularly its President, Dr Punam Suri ji who has always been there to guide and motivate us. Today, as I superannuate, a deep sense of pride of having worked in the biggest non-govt educational organization of the country, where I got the opportunity to continuously grow and learn from great academicians like Prof A.K. Sharma, former Director, NCERT and Ex Chairman of our school, the esteemed Office Bearers of DAVCMC and my Colleagues- the School Leaders around the country. My Heartfelt Gratitude to all of them! I also thank all the members of the School Local Managing Committee, CBSE Officials, District administration, Press Reporters and all other members of the community, who, in one or the other way, helped me complete my journey as school leader in the most satisfying and fulfilling manner.

Today, I have handed over the charge of Principalship to Mrs Chitra Kant, the senior most PGT of the school. Mrs Chitra Kant has been working as PGT, Physics for the last 32 years in the school and has been the Chief Coordinator, Senior wing for the last ten years and has been looking after many important administrative duties including CBSE examinations for the last many years. Mrs Chitra Kant is very competent to run the school in an efficient manner and I am sure that with the whole hearted cooperation of the staff, students and parents, she will take the school to new heights of glory. My good wishes to all of you in all your future ventures!

**(Mrs) I.P.Bhatia**