

REUNION OF 1978 BATCH 3RD & 4TH FEBRUARY 2023

Nostalgia is an immensely powerful emotion. It is known to bring people together regardless of borders, geographical or otherwise. That was the emotion that permeated throughout the reunion of the alumni of Class X-B of the 1978 as alumni across the globe returned to their Alma Matter.

The reunion was planned by Mr. Sumant Addagarla in January 2022 who decided to bring everyone together. It was ably supported and coordinated by Col. Dr. Varun Mathur.

On 3rd February, the lot met at the farewell of the ICSE & ISC batch of 2022-2023. It was a solemn occasion as all the alumni got sentimental watching the young adults say goodbye to their friends and teachers. Mr. Neville Mehta, the Vice Head Boy of the batch, gave a speech at the end of the event. He inspired the young audience to never give up their passions and to be thorough Bishopites.



He also mentioned how the 'Class X-B' of the batch of 1978 introduced an *'Annual Inter-School Quiz Competition for Senior School (Classes IX & X)'* in 2022-23, which is certain to become a grand tradition in the years to come.



The next morning a few of our Junior College students, Aashi Shrivastava, Aurmaan Nahvi, Nishka Khosla Advaita Upasani and Siddharth Thadani, toured the group. As they walked through the hallowed Harding Hall, they reminisced the various theatrical productions in which they had participated.



The iconic speech of Mark Antony was a crowd favorite as Mr. Lyndon Rodrigues enacted it alongside Mr. Sumanth Addagarla. They talked about the novel changes in the school campus and the newly built 'B.W. Roberts Building'.



They learnt how continuity is not guaranteed and change is the only constant. As they spoke about their experiences, we realized how different school life is for boarders compared to day scholars. They had a much more complete experience as their daily life revolved around school activities. The cultural shift was very apparent to us when



they described how they spent their leisure time by listening to record players instead of electronic music.

Mr. Mehta particularly spoke about how long it took the bunch to realize how special of an institution they were a part of. This epiphany occurs to every Bishopite eventually. They made us realize that everyone who is or was a part of this institution was involved in something much bigger than just themselves, that this is a story that has prevailed for over a century, written and adorned with the collective experiences of generations of people.



The idea of what it means to be a Bishopite –the idea of thoroughness- was brought out. They encouraged every one of us to play up and never let our colors fall.



Left to Right: Sumant Addagarla, Col. (Dr.) Varun Mathur, Milind Rajadhyaksha, Bhupinder Singh Bindra, Vijay Subbiah, Prasanna Vora, Lyndon Rodrigues, Sarvesh Sathe, Arvind Joshi, Kumar Sahani & Neville Mehta



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