



## **The Bishop's Co-Ed School, Undri**

### **"MASTER OF WORDS"**

#### **REPORT ON THE MIDDLE SCHOOL INTER-HOUSE DEBATE**

#### **CLASSES VII & VIII**

*"It is better to debate a question without settling it than to settle a question without debating it." – Joseph Joubert*

The Inter-House Debate competition for classes VII and VIII was held on 16<sup>th</sup> October, 2023. The event was graced with the presence of our Headmaster Mr. Ralph Russell and Middle School Co-ordinator Mrs. Khandelwal.

The programme began with a welcome speech by the Chairperson Ms. Jahnavi Gupta followed by a word of prayer by Mrs. Nazareth. The judges for the debate were welcomed by Mohammed Ali Azhar Khan. The panel of judges included Mrs. Vrushali Gaikwad (Senior School English Teacher at The Bishop's School, Camp) and Mr. Gavin Godfrey (Middle School Co-ordinator at The Bishop's Co-Ed School, Kalyani Nagar). The speakers for the competition were introduced by the Chairperson. They were also apprised of the judging criteria, the rules for the debate and the rebuttal session.

**The topic for the debate was-** "Technology has changed the way young people spend their leisure time."

A good debater is a good speaker, a good thinker and a good convincer. The speakers exhibited perfect expression and finer points that go into making a public speech interesting and captivating. The arguments put forth by the proposition as well as the opposition were extremely convincing and the debaters were determined to stand and justify their point. The subject matter, diction, delivery and confidence of the speakers made the event a benchmark for the fellow students and also providing utmost pride to the teachers.

The judges were truly moved by the efforts and applauded the hard work and appreciated the content collated by the students to prepare the topic for the debate. They congratulated the speakers for their excellent performance.

The competition culminated with our Headmaster Mr. Ralph Russell declaring the results.

The order of results were as follows:

POSITION	HOUSE
First	Young
Second	O'Connor & Wintle
Third	Rae

**The Best Speaker - Pari Vakharia from class 8 (Young House)**

**The Best Supporting Speaker – Kavin Chaturvedi from class 7 (O'Connor House)**

The vote of thanks was delivered by Maryam Patil to all who made this event possible and a success.



**THE BEST SPEAKER**

**PARI VAKHARIA**



**THE BEST SUPPORTING SPEAKER**

**KAVIN CHATURVEDI**



**THE WINNERS**



**ALL THE PARTICIPANTS WITH OUR HEADMASTER, JUDGES AND  
CO-ORDINATOR**



**OUR ESTEEMED HEADMASTER ANNOUNCING THE RESULTS**



**TEAM WORK BY THE TEACHERS AND STUDENTS**



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