



**THE BISHOP'S CO-ED SCHOOL,  
KALYANI NAGAR**

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**REPORT ON  
THE FRANK ANTHONY  
DEBATE  
2023-24**

## **The Frank Anthony Memorial All India Debate Competition (Category I)**

brought together some of the brightest minds from eight academic institutions across Pune to engage in a spirited discussion on a thought-provoking topic. The debate focused on the controversial topic of social media and how it leaves no scope for real peers. The aim was to encourage critical thinking, foster intellectual discourse, and challenge participants to present well-reasoned arguments from different perspectives. Each participant was given equal opportunity to express their viewpoints and engage in rebuttals.

The topic, 'Social Media Gives No Scope For Real Peers', was revealed to the participants in the morning and they were given one hour to write their speeches. It was no mean feat then that each one of them

impressed the audience with their insightful analysis and compelling delivery.

The panel of judges for the debate constituted of Ms. Freida Havewala, Mrs. Pooja Ghosh and Dr. Pramila Dasture who are some of the most distinguished members of their respective fields.

Colonel Joshi, a highly decorated military officer and an alumnus of the Bishop's School, Camp, graced the event as the chief guest. His presence added an aura of honor and respect to the occasion. Colonel Joshi, known for his commitment to public service and dedication to fostering intellectual growth, delivered an inspiring address emphasizing the importance of intellectual discourse and critical thinking in society.







The debate was skillfully moderated by Mr. Gary Wright, a Junior College teacher of English in the Bishop's School, Camp. Each participant was allotted 4 minutes to put forth their arguments and 2 minutes to answer any rebuttals.

Jaidev Ranade from the St. Mary's School was declared the Best Speaker, while Amrita Nair from the Bishop's Co-Ed School Kalyani Nagar was the Runner-up Speaker. Their eloquence, persuasive arguments, and ability to articulate complex ideas with clarity captivated both the panel of judges and the audience.

The Bishop's Co-Ed School Kalyani Nagar, represented by Amrita Nair and Ronav Jaiswal, was declared the winner team, while the Bishop's Co-Ed School Undri was declared the runner-up team. Indeed, a proud moment for all Bishopites!

Both, The Bishop's Co-Ed School Kalyaninagar and The Bishop's Co-Ed School Undri, have qualified for the next round of debating.

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