



Beyond Books - Nurturing Holistic Development

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Dear Parents

Greetings of the day!

At **Step Up School**, we believe in the **complete development** of every child. While academic excellence is important, we equally emphasize **co-curricular activities** that go **beyond books**, shaping well-rounded individuals equipped for life.

Starting from **1st May 2025**, our students will actively participate in a variety of engaging and enriching activities designed to foster creativity, confidence, leadership, and teamwork.

Here's a look at the '**Beyond Books**' activities our students will be involved in:

S. NO.	ACTIVITY	DAY/TIME
1	Public Speaking (A worksheet will be given at the beginning of the month and presentation will be taken at the end of the month.)	Every Day (Practice)
2	Story Telling	1st & 3rd Monday
3	Extempore	2nd & 4th Monday
4	Manners & Etiquettes	Tuesday
5	Fine Motor	Wednesday
6	Show & Tell	Thursday
7	Gross Motor	Friday

1. **Public Speaking-** Public Speaking at Step Up School helps students become confident speakers through monthly practice of lines in English and Hindi, supported by audio. With regular school practice and home support, students will present at month's end and receive a Certificate of Appreciation for their efforts.
2. **Story Telling-** To strengthen essential language skills, **storytelling sessions in English and Hindi** will be held every **1st and 3rd Monday** at Step Up School, focusing on enhancing **speaking, listening, and reading** abilities through interactive stories and independent word decoding.
3. **Extempore-** At **Step Up School**, **Extempore** plays a key role in enhancing students' communication and time management skills. **On-the-spot topics** will be given, and students will be required to speak 2–4 lines, promoting quick thinking, logical reasoning, and clear expression.

4. **Manners & Etiquettes-** At **Step Up School**, we believe in starting early when it comes to teaching children essential social skills. It's important that children learn to interact confidently, without hesitation or fear. They are taught how to handle different situations and respond appropriately. Basic etiquettes such as greeting others, using golden words, and respecting elders are demonstrated and practiced to help students develop good manners and respect for others.
5. **Fine Motor-** At **Step Up School**, **fine motor activities** are designed to help children develop their hand-eye coordination, dexterity, and concentration. These activities include tasks like drawing, coloring, cutting, threading, and building with small blocks. Such exercises help improve the precision of hand movements, boost creativity, and enhance cognitive skills, supporting overall developmental growth in young learners.
6. **Show & Tell-** **Show and Tell** at **Step Up School** helps students build public speaking skills. A topic will be given a week in advance, and parents will assist in preparing 4-5 lines. Students will also bring an object, image, or placard to support their presentation, boosting confidence and communication abilities.
7. **Gross Motor-** At **Step Up School**, **gross motor activities** are conducted regularly to enhance students' physical strength, coordination, and overall fitness. Activities like running, jumping, balancing, climbing, and outdoor games help develop large muscle groups, improve body control, and promote a healthy, active lifestyle.

Kindly note that from 01st May 2025 onwards, a '**Beyond Books**' format will be shared with you on regular basis, in which the details of each activity planned on that particular day will be mentioned. Teachers will also share the pictures/videos of your ward doing the activity.

Thank you!

Regards

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