



Saint John's Academy

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Circular, Schedule, and Detailed Rules & Regulations

Classes IX - XII • July 29th & 30th, 2026

CORE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE & RESPONSIBILITIES

Overall Leadership

Overall Incharge: Mr. V. Singh • Category A: Mr. V. Singh • Category B: Mr. I. Akbar

Stage Setup & Decoration

Mr. Souren Barori, Mrs. Neelam Rai

Results & Tabulation Committee

Mr. L. Singh, Mr. I. Akbar, Mr. Souren Barori, Mr. S. Rawat

Administration & Documentation

Press/Web Reports: Mrs. F. Zama, Mr. V. Singh

Hospitality & Gift Management

Dr. S. Gupta, Mrs. S. Ghayas

Discipline & Seating Committee

Mr. R. Pandey, Mr. R. Sharma, Mr. K.N. Pandey, Mr. H. Qausain

Event Files

Mr. J. Antony, Ms. Pooja Tiwari

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Day 1: Wednesday, July 29, 2026

TIME SLOT	EVENT NAME & CATEGORY	INCHARGES / MAPPED INITIALS	VENUE
07:45am – 09:15am	VOICE BOX - Group Discussion A & B 1 hr 30 min	(A) Mr. V. Singh / Mr. Shubhojeet Bose (B) Mr. Shubhojeet Bose	Auditorium
07:45am – 09:45am	BRUSHLESS SPLASH - Poster Making A & B 2 hours	(A) Dr. S. Gupta (B) Mrs. Sonam Kesari	Library
09:45am – 11:45am	FACE PAINTING A & B 2 hours	(A) Ms. A. Chatterjee (B) Mrs. S. Ghayas	Dining Hall
10:15am – 11:45am	LIKHAVAT - Hindi Creative Writing A & B 1 hr 30 min	(A) Mrs. M. Gupta (B) Mr. K.N. Pandey	Library
08:00am – 09:00am (Prep) 09:15am – 11:15am (Speech)	DIALECTICA - English Debate A & B 1 hr + 2 hrs	(A) Mr. Shubhojeet Bose (B) Mrs. Neelam Rai / Ms. Pooja Tiwari	Auditorium
10:15am – 11:00am (Prep) 11:15am – 12:15pm (Recite)	VERSIFY - English Poetry A & B 45 min + 1 hr	(A) Ms. A. Chatterjee (B) Ms. Pooja Tiwari	Auditorium
12:15pm – 01:00pm	PITCH PERFECT - Tech Start Up CAT A ONLY 45 mins	(A) Mr. V. Singh / Mr. Souren Barori (B) ---	Auditorium

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Day 2: Thursday, July 30, 2026

TIME SLOT	EVENT NAME & CATEGORY	INCHARGES / MAPPED INITIALS	VENUE
07:45am – 08:30am	JAM (Cat A) / HAM (Cat B) A & B 45 mins	(A) Mr. Shubhojeet Bose (JAM) (B) Mr. Shubhojeet Bose (HAM)	Auditorium
08:15am – 09:15am	FRAME THE TRUTH - Short Documentary A & B 1 hour	(A) Mr. R. Dubey / Mr. J. Antony (B) Mr. L. Singh / Mr. I. Akbar	AV Room
08:15am – 09:15am	BOTBATTLE - Robotics CAT B ONLY 1 hour	(A) --- (B) Mr. S. Rawat / Mr. Atul Kumar	Basketball Court
07:30am – 08:15am (Prep) 08:30am – 09:30am (Recite)	VERSIFY - Hindi Poetry A & B 45 min + 1 hr	(A) Mr. M. Kumar (B) Mr. M. Kumar	Auditorium
08:15am – 09:35am	INKSPIRE - English Creative Writing A & B 1 hr 20 min	(A) Mrs. Neelam Rai (B) Mr. Shubhojeet Bose	Library
08:00am – 09:00am (Prep) 09:30am – 11:30am (Speaking)	VIVAD VATIKA - Hindi Debate A & B 1 hr + 2 hrs	(A) Mrs. M. Gupta / Mr. Rahul Tiwari (B) Mr. K.N. Pandey / Mr. R. Sharma	Auditorium
11:30am – 01:00pm	BRAIN BRAWL - General Quiz A & B 1 hr 30 min	(A) Mr. V. Singh / Mr. Rahul Tiwari (B) Mr. I. Akbar / Mr. H. Qausain	Auditorium

DIALECTICA – ENGLISH DEBATE

Category: A & B • Venue: Auditorium
Duration: 1 hr Prep + 2 hrs Speaking

Participation Details: 2 Speakers per team (1 for the motion, 1 against).

- **Speaking Order:** Decided on the spot by drawing lots.
- **Time Limit:** Each speaker gets exactly 4 minutes. A warning bell rings at 3 minutes.
- The opening speaker gets 1 additional minute to initiate the motion.
- **Rebuttal Round:** A 1-minute rebuttal follows each speech. Interjections are allowed, but no cross-questioning is permitted.
- Topics will be given on the spot. No reading from pre-prepared papers is allowed.
- Speakers must address the chair. Personal, religious, or political remarks will lead to disqualification.

Content (20)	Delivery (20)	Rebuttal (5)	Overall Impact (5)	Total Marks (50)
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VIVAD VATIKA – HINDI DEBATE

Category: A & B • Venue: Auditorium
Duration: 1 hr Prep + 2 hrs Speaking

Participation Details: 2 Speakers per team (1 for the motion, 1 against).

- हर सदन से 2 वक्ता प्रति श्रेणी (एक पक्ष में, एक विपक्ष में)। वक्ता का निर्णय पर्ची खींचकर लिया जाएगा।
- हर वक्ता को 3 मिनट बोलने के लिए दिया जाएगा व 2:30 पर एक चेतावनी की घंटी बजेगी, व 3 मिनट की समय सीमा पूर्ण होने पर समाप्ति के लिए घंटी बजेगी।
- प्रश्न संक्षिप्त होने चाहिए व विषय से सम्बन्धित होने चाहिए। प्रश्न पूछने व उत्तर देने की समय सीमा 1 मिनट होगी।
- प्रश्न पूछने पर कोई अंक नहीं दिए जाएंगे, सिर्फ उत्तर देने पर अंक प्राप्त होंगे।
- यदि किसी भी सदन से प्रश्न नहीं पूछे गए तो इस स्थिति में दर्शक प्रश्न पूछ सकते हैं।

विषय-वस्तु (20)	प्रस्तुति (20)	उच्चारण (5)	समग्र प्रभाव (5)	कुल अंक (50)
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JAM (JUST A MINUTE) & HAM (HALF A MINUTE)

JAM: Cat A Only • **HAM:** Cat B Only • **Venue:** Auditorium
Duration: 45 minutes total • **Time:** Day 2, 07:45am – 08:30am

Participation Details: 1 Participant per House (JAM for Cat A, HAM for Cat B).

- **Speaking Rules:** Speakers must speak on a topic given on the spot (60 seconds for JAM, 30 seconds for HAM) without **Repetition** (repeating content words/phrases), **Hesitation** (fillers like 'um', 'ah', or long pauses), or **Deviation** (drifting from the topic).
- **Objection Rules:** Competitors sitting in a circle can object by tapping the table and calling "Objection!" for any rule breach. The JAM Master stops the clock to rule.
- **Objection Scoring:** +1 point for a valid objection (and the challenger takes the floor). -1 point penalty for an invalid objection.
- **Speaking Scoring:** 1 point per second of speaking time.
- **Bonuses:** +1 point for speaking 20 seconds continuously (15s for HAM) without interruption. +1 point dying second bonus. +5 points bonus for a complete uninterrupted run (Golden Minute / Clean Run).

INKSPIRE & LIKHAVAT – CREATIVE WRITING

LIKHAVAT (Hindi): Day 1 • **INKSPIRE (English):** Day 2
Venue: Library • **Duration:** 30 min Planning + 60 min Writing

Participation Details: 1 Participant per House per category for each language.

- Topics will be given on the spot. Choices will be provided.
- **Word Limits:** Category A (XI & XII): 400 - 500 words. Category B (IX & X): 300 - 400 words.
- **Planning Time:** First 30 minutes. No writing on the answer booklet is permitted during this phase.
- **Writing Time:** Following 60 minutes. Use of sheets is restricted to one side of the paper only with margins.

Content (15)	Language & Grammar (15)	Style & Creativity (20)	Total Marks (50)
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BOTBATTLE – ROBOTICS

Category: B Only • **Venue:** Basketball Court • **Time:** Day 2, 08:15am – 09:15am
Duration: 1 hour • Max Run Time: 10 minutes

Participation Details: 1 Team (3 members) per House (Category B only).

Objective: Design and build a robot from scratch to navigate a track containing multiple obstacles, such as Inclined Bridge, Puddle of Water, Heap of Sand, Heap of Marbles, and Sharp/U-Turns.

Scoring Element	Max Points	Scoring / Penalty Details
Completion Time	20 Points	-1 pt for every 30 seconds after 5 minutes.
Obstacle Handling	50 Points	10 pts per obstacle. Deductions apply if stuck or rerouted.
Robot Design & Stability	15 Points	Wiring cleanliness, structural durability and stability.
Teamwork & Strategy	10 Points	Coordination between operator, strategists.
Total Marks	95 Points	+5 Bonus points for fully autonomous robots (Max 100).

- **Deductions:** -5 points for every manual touch/assistance start.
- All wiring must be insulated. Battery power only (no combustion or external mains power).

PITCH PERFECT – TECH START UP

Category: A Only • **Venue:** Auditorium • **Time:** Day 1, 12:15pm – 01:00pm
Duration: 45 mins • 3 min Pitch + 2 min Q&A

Participation Details: 1 Team (3 members) per House (Category A only).

- **Goal:** Pitch an original tech startup business idea to a panel of judges.
- **Format:** 3 minutes of pitch presentation (using PowerPoint/Canva slides) followed by 2 minutes of Q&A from judges.
- **Penalties:** Exceeding presentation time incurs a penalty of -1 mark per 10 seconds.

Originality (10)	Problem-Solution (10)	Feasibility (10)	Pitch Quality (10)	Q&A Handling (10)	Total (50)

BRUSHLESS SPLASH – POSTER MAKING

Category: A & B • **Venue:** Library • **Time:** Day 1, 07:45am – 09:45am

Duration: 2 hours

Participation Details: Individual entry (up to 3 students per House per category).

- **Core constraint: No brushes are permitted.** All paint application must be done via alternate media (sponge, fingers, textures, palette knives, etc.).
- Theme will be given on the spot. Participants must bring their own sheet support, colors, and textures.

Composition & Design (15)	Brushless Technique (10)	Colour Scheme (10)	Theme Interpretation (15)	Total Marks (50)
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FACE PAINTING

Category: A & B • **Venue:** Dining Hall • **Time:** Day 1, 09:45am – 11:45am

Duration: 2 hours

Participation Details: 1 Team (1 Artist + 1 Model) per House per category.

- Design must represent a theme given on the spot. The painted area must cover at least 70% of the face.
- Must use non-toxic, skin-friendly face paints only. Stencils and stamps are strictly prohibited.
- Glitter, sequins, or decals are allowed but must not exceed 20% of the painted area.

Creativity & Originality (15)	Theme Interpretation (15)	Technical Skill (10)	Overall Presentation (10)	Total Marks (50)
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FRAME THE TRUTH – SHORT DOCUMENTARY FILM

Category: A & B • **Venue:** AV Room • **Time:** Day 2, 08:15am – 09:15am

Duration: 1 hour (Screening & Scoring)

Participation Details: 1 Team (3 members) per House per category.

- **Film Duration:** Maximum 5 minutes. All scripting, shooting, and editing must be original student work.
- **Category A Topic & Concept:** *"Are family values disappearing, or are they simply changing?"*. Explores whether modern shifts represent a decline or evolution of traditional values (respect, responsibility, honesty, empathy, and togetherness). The film must answer the topic through **interviews, real-life stories, and expert perspectives**.
- **Category B Topic & Concept:** *"The Backpack Burden"*. A short, lighthearted look at school bag weights, detailing students' views. It should try to include children of varying age groups/classes and parents' views to address: *Should there be a change in how much they carry?*

Storyline & Script (20)	Editing & Technique (10)	Creativity (10)	Message Conveyed (10)	Total Marks (50)
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VOICE BOX – GROUP DISCUSSION

Category: A & B • **Venue:** Auditorium • **Time:** Day 1, 07:45am – 09:15am
Duration: 1 hr 30 min

Participation Details: 2 Participants per House per category.

- **Format:** Topic given on the spot. Each participant gets 1 minute for individual introduction.
- The floor opens for free discussion for 15 minutes.
- **Nature:** This is a collaborative group discussion, not a debate. Points are awarded for build-ups and collaboration rather than aggressive contradictions.

Content (15)	Communication (15)	Listening (10)	Collaboration (5)	Leadership (5)	Total (50)
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VERSIFY – POETRY WRITING & RECITATION

English: Day 1 • **Hindi:** Day 2 • **Venue:** Auditorium
Duration: 45 mins Prep + 1 hr Recitation

Participation Details: 1 Participant each for English and Hindi per House per category.

- **Phase 1: Writing (45 minutes):** Write an original poem based on a theme chosen on the spot.
- **Phase 2: Recitation (3 minutes):** Recite the written poem before the jury. Stage presence, voice modulation, and delivery will be evaluated.

Originality of Text (10)	Emotion & Content (20)	Delivery & Presence (15)	Overall Style (5)	Total Marks (50)
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BRAIN BRAWL – GENERAL QUIZ

Category: A & B • **Venue:** Auditorium • **Time:** Day 2, 11:30am – 01:00pm
Duration: 1 hr 30 min

Participation Details: 1 Team of 3 members per House per category.

- **Scope:** GK, Science, Math, History, Geography, Current Affairs, Sports, Entertainment.
- **Format:** On-stage live quiz rounds including audio-visual, buzzer, and rapid-fire rounds.