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With the wonderful efforts of **Owners / Moderators and Coordinators** who were working for last 4 1/2 Years on the initiative that started on **25th December 2000** as a **Yahoo Group**, a formal association of KVVSN ex-students was formed on **1st June 2005**.

When we look back in history, these are little statistics, which one should see:-

25 Dec 2000				
25 Dec 2001	12 Months	365 Days * 24 Hours =		8760
25 Dec 2002	12 Months	365 Days * 24 Hours =		8760
25 Dec 2003	12 Months	365 Days * 24 Hours =		8760
25 Dec 2004	12 Months	365 Days * 24 Hours =		8760
25 January - May 2005	5 Months	151 Days * 24 Hours =		3624
		4 Days * 24 Hours =		96

Total Efforts towards building a formal association
4 1/2 Year 53 Months 1615 Days and 38760 Hours

Current Stats:

1640+ Emails have been shared on Yahoo Group <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/kvvsn>
252+ Registered Users in Mailing List

1810 + Students Listed
215 + Teachers Listed at <http://www.kvvsn.com>

Yahoo Group and Website Moderated by
Amit Joshi, Suchita Deshpande and Prachait Saxena

Be patient while reading this Article / Report or Document (what ever you like to call it) and enjoy the ride down the memory lane.

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Prachait met school teachers: Mrs Sudesh Sharma, Madam Alva and S M Joshi Sir.
With an effort spanning three months, 800 phone calls and personally meeting over 100 people, an impressive database of 700+ Members was listed on the website.
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December 2000,

In the year 2000, 5 Friends from Kendriya Vidyalaya Nagpur, met together in Pune, India and after long remembrances of the good old school days, they got an idea to reunite their batch mates. They were all from the 1996 12th batch. Amit Joshi took the lead and formed a Closed Yahoo Group from 1996 Batch on **25th December 2000**.

25th December 2000, Yahoo Group Formed

The First Mail in Yahoo Group

From: "Amit Joshi" <amit.j@indiatimes.com>

Date: Fri Dec 29, 2000 7:34 pm
Subject: Come join in!!!!

Hello Friends,

This is Amit Joshi, of 95 XIth batch. Please join this group formed to reunite all the kv guys and gals till 1996 batch. Please enter your profile for easy identification.

Thankyou,

Amit Joshi

One of the Founder member of Yahoo Group Says

Darshan Purandare <darshanpurandare@yahoo.com>

Monday, May 16, 2005 12:00 AM

Re: Need Help: 4 and 1/2 Year Journy from Yahoo Group to Formal Association

Hi Prachait,

In short I can tell you something about how it started. In **Dec 2000 there** were around 5 guys from our **12th batch 1996, we had met in Pune** and there we thought of having this group. Myself, Amit Joshi, TS Srinivasan, Abhishek Srivastava and Y Vivek were mainly present then. **Amit Joshi took all the responsibility** and moderated the group for while. Initially we thought that we will make a group for just our batch i.e. 1996 but then later on so many guys joined and **now its a big big group**. May be you can find more information from Amit Joshi. Most of the guys spread the word around and this group was growing fast.

Take care,

Darshan Purandare

First 5 Members on Yahoo Group

Amit Joshi 12/27/2000
T S srinivasan 12/27/2000
Mary Jacab 26/2/2001
Kirthana Fernandes 17/3/2001
Ankur Batta 3/21/2001
Aditya Gupta 3/13/2002

8th May 2002, First Reunion Planning Starts

From: "a_rjoshi" <amit.j@indiatimes.com>

Date: Wed May 8, 2002 7:53 am
Subject: Hi

Hi guys,

we have added new members to this group. we now have 11 members and many more batchmates will be joining in. please tell everybody from our batch to join this group. we are planning a KVVSN reunion in india sometime during **december 2002 or june 2003** depending on availability of each of the member. I will keep u posted. If u face any problem in joining this grp please mail me. bye and take care
Amit

3rd July 2002, First Mail for the Proposal for Website

From: "anand_phanse" <anand_phanse@infosys.com>

Date: Wed Jul 3, 2002 12:02 pm

Subject: RE: [kvvsn] hi ppl

Hi Folks,

a) A quick query... I was wondering that with so many techies around why not put up a **simple web site for our good old school !!!** nothing hi-fi with many functionalities, but something basic : a few pages about the school, a few pics & most importantly links to all the yahoo groups/ alumni net/ batchmates.com etc... over a period of few years we should be able to connect to quite a few people !!!
What do you folks say...

Anand

13th December 2002, First Reunion Dates Finalized

From: "nykaj nair" <nykaj_n1@rediffmail.com>

Date: Fri Dec 13, 2002 11:15 pm

Subject: [kvvsn] RE- Union

Hey Kirthana,

Hi...Dunno if you know me??? Why 13th, 11th and 12th are holidays coz of week end and 14th/15th is sankranti/pongal or in short a holiday,which means we have to just avail one day leave that is on Mon or Tue Max'm and can have enough time....

Hope that clarifies..... anyways,let's all start pooling in views,a handful of us thinking of this will never make anything happen...

cheers, Nykaj

And there were No Mails for a long time

12th April 2003, Prachait Again Initiated the Movement in the Group

From: "Prachait Saxena" <prachait@nagpur.dot.net.in>

Date: Sat Apr 12, 2003 4:47 pm

Subject: busy ???

Hello All,

No message , no posting ? why this group is too calm.. I would like to talk you the moderator. if moderator is alive Pl. mail me

Prachait

The Quick Response Was

From: Shuchita <shuchita12@yahoo.com>

Date: Sun Apr 13, 2003 10:25 pm

Subject: Re: [kvvsn] busy ???

bolo bhai.. kya hua ??

maana ke thodi der ke liye sannata tha.. lekin hum sab thode vyast the.. rukawat ke liye khed hai :-)

now I'm back in business and so the mails should start flowing again (high hopes !!?) Ankur told me a while ago that she was planning for a reunion sometime in June.. well, I've given up on all reunions.. it's safer to plan for one-to-one sessions :-)

but in case anyone wants to meet me in poone - I'm totally interested :-D be back in a few days with some more khabrein .. tab tak ke liye aagya de, namaskar,
Shuchita

Prachait Requested the Moderators Amit Joshi and Shuchita to Open the Group for All.

13th April 2003, Prachait Requested to Open the Group For All Members

From: "Prachait Saxena" <prachait@nagpur.dot.net.in>

Date: Sun Apr 13, 2003 4:34 pm

Subject: Re: hi

Well. Amit..

Feel very very nice to see your mail. yea We did not know each other.

I was too a KV VSN student 1997 pass out and since we all what to join kvvsn, I would like to do some thing more in that as invite ppl. add some Files and many more.

I have **contacts with people from batch 1994-1998 pass out** and they all need to come here, The said to send an invitation but It is not possible as I am not the moderator. I would like to have some of the functionality of this. more over the change is the description need more effective as while searching the groups a kv vsn at groups.yahoo.com we did not find this name and **too the site www.kvvsn.com**

I think it need more Time and right now I am free to do this. Well I think we have to do the things from starting more in next

Bye, and Have a nice day.
Prachait Saxena

And Members Start Uniting Again

15th April 2005, More Invitation are sent to others

From: "Prachait Saxena" <prachait@nagpur.dot.net.in>

Date: Tue Apr 15, 2003 7:45 pm

Subject: Re: [kvvsn] Hi

well, Varun Sharma, Ravindra Yadav. Ashutosh Jha Nitin tyagi are few of them in which some pass out from 1995 some in ur batch 1996 and some in my batch 1997 and yea. It will take some time to unite .. so have patience :)

Prachait

----- Original Message -----

From: "Amit Joshi" <a_rjoshi@yahoo.com>

To: <kvvsn@yahoogroups.com>

Sent: Tuesday, April 15, 2003 6:57 PM

Subject: Re: [kvvsn] Hi

> That is nice coincidence. So why don't u tell him to

> join this group. BTW wots his name? Lets see if we
> know him or not.
> Amit

20th April 2003, A School Incidence

From: "Shweta Javere" <shwetajavere@yahoo.com>

Date: Sun Apr 20, 2003 9:52 am

Subject: hi

Well, I should first **congratulate the moderators for the new look of the home page**. Its really GOOD!

Secondly,(this too is for the moderators). I've thought of a new segment or **feature for the group** called 'Moments/Incidents at KVVSN', where in we can share some memory pieces which we clearly remember of kvvsn. And then we can have more responses on that.

For Example,

Leo Ma'am and The Hibiscus Flower.

It was **1992-1993** , we were in **class 7th. I remember**, we were supposed to get one hibiscus flower each .Leo ma'am was to tell us abt parts of a flower. most of us had forgotten. So, all of us had gone to the **Airforce officers residential** area to get the flowers. I remember, most of them just plucking the flowers and running . Myself , Nidhi and two guys - idon't remember the names - had like big fools gone to one house properly(sharif banke) and asked the servants there to call aunty so that we can ask her and take some flowers. The servants were bad enough to complain that we had already plucked flowers. ANd then I remember that lady had come to our school. and a complaint on the school kids and all of our class people were given some sort of punishment - stand in the sun with ur hands up. hee hee There was fun in that punishment too... Miss those school days and such moments..

It has worked well in one of my other groups. As I don't write for that very frequently, so its not all that boring. If u like the idea, we can proceed with it. If u find it a bit too silly, (most probable case),just forget it.

luv
shweta

24th April 2003, New Members Added from Different Batches

Mr. Anjan Kumar Pal is a 35 year old engineer working in NTPC's 663 MW Auraiya Gas Power Station in Dibiyapur,U.P., India.

He completes his 12 in 1983 batch, from our school and now he is with us.

First Few Members other than 1996 Batch

1973 Harshvardhan Sheorey

1976 Rammohan M Nair

1978 Milind Choudhari

1983 Anjan Kumar Pal

1984 Chitra B V

1993 Anil Godhawale

1995 Nitin Tyagi , Rishi Shankar Verma

1997 Prachait Saxena, Sourabh Chatergii, Ravindra Yadav, Gautami, Abhinav Shrivastava, Vivek Sao

12th May 2003, The Reunion Dates Were Finalized

From: "Ankur Batta" <ankur@pspl.co.in>

Date: Mon May 12, 2003 11:36 am

Subject: Reunion on 13th & 14th June 2003

Hi Everybody,

Let us have the **reunion on 13th & 14th June 2003**. This date has been arrived on by discussion with Nykaj, Vivek, Shuchita & Jasmeet.

Let us **freeze the above dates for the reunion** because always someone or the other will not be able to make it to the reunion. For those of us who cannot make it on these dates, we can have the reunion again for sure:):). I want say to Amit, Anand and our other friends who are outside India that we will have another reunion when they come back to India.

Please come for the reunion. It will be great fun meeting our batchmates, friends and chatting about the time we spent together at school. It will be exciting to see each other after such a long time, to know how each one of us has changed or not changed since school days and share our experiences in life till now with each other. We all look forward to meet each other. So, please please try to make it for the reunion.

Date of Reunion: 13th & 14th June 2003

Place of Reunion: Pune

We decided to keep it in Pune because most of the people coming as of now are in and around Pune. Nykaj will be coming from Hyderabad and Vivek from Nagpur. Also, I will not be able to make it to the reunion if it is not in Pune:):):)

People making it to the reunion as of now----

1) Ankur 2) Jasmeet 3) Nykaj 4) Shuchita 5) Vivek

People in and around Pune can definitely make it to the reunion. From the people I know, I think Vinayak, u can make it and Shweta, u can make it too as u r in Nasik.

Please Please Please do try to make it to the reunion. We promise that it will be great fun.

Please get back in case u dont agree to the above or in case of any queries.

Please send a mail to the group asap if u plan to attend the reunion.

Take Care,

Keep Smiling & Shining!!!:):)

Have A Wonderful Day!!!

May God Bless U!!!

:)Ankur:) & :) Shuchita:)

19th May 2003, First Re Union Meet Cancelled

From: "Ankur Batta" <ankur@pspl.co.in>

Date: Mon May 19, 2003 3:53 pm

Subject: **Reunion on 13th & 14th June 2003 is CANCELLED**

Hi Everyone,

The reunion that was planned for 13th & 14th June 2003 is CANCELLED. This is because there *is hardly anybody who can make it to the reunion*. Most of those who had promised to make it to the reunion before cannot do so now. They have communicated this to me via mail. Therefore lets cancel the reunion.

Rest all is going on great...

Lets all be in touch via mails through the kvvsn group..

Take Care,

Keep Smiling & Shining!!!

:) Ankur:)

After this Cancellation, **Prachait Saxena and Milind Choudhari** took the initiative to Run the group and Search of All the members starts again.

4th July 2003, Response with Some Elder Members Join in the Group

From: "Shweta Javere" <shwetajavere@yahoo.com>

Date: Fri Jul 4, 2003 8:36 pm

Subject: Re: New member...

Hello,

Its really good to know that **people who've been in KVVSN even in 1974 - much before I was born..** and also people of 1995 – Xth batch are part of the same group.

About Ahuja Ma'am, she's been in KVVSN for long I suppose. She even gave classes to us for some time in class 7th or 8th that must be in 90 - 91.

Lets thank Amit and Shuchita (acc. to my knowledge u r the moderator and owner of the group resp.) for this. Its always great to meet old schoolmates.

Bye Shweta

1st September 2003, First Intro Mail by non 1996 Batch Person Milind (1977)

From: "Milind Choudhari" <milindc999@yahoo.com>

Date: Mon Sep 1, 2003 11:44 am

Subject: 1977 batch

Hi, I am **Milind Choudhari, I was in the 1977 batch** of the **Last AIHS of KV**. After us they started the 10 + 2 pattern. I later did my 12th from SFS College from where I graduated in 1981. I practically left Nagpur in 1981 and have never returned. I joined LIC of India as a Direct Recruit Officer and worked at Nashik, Kolhapur, Surat and Mumbai. Now I work at Mumbai with PSI data Systems- Birla Technologies at Mumbai.

I was a day Scholar coming from Ambajhari Ordnance Factory. I had the happy occasion of tracing one of my seniors from our school and then meeting him in Tokyo after about 25 years through Batchmates.com. But this group seems better than that.

And Welcome Reply message

From: Amit Joshi <a_rjoshi@yahoo.com>

Date: Mon Sep 1, 2003 12:16 pm

Subject: Re: [kvvsn] 1977 batch

Welcome Milind,

Its great to have somebody from a batch when some of us were yet to land on mother earth. Obviously a lot has changed since then. Anyways welcome to the group.

Amit

1st Sept 2003, Remembering of School Teachers And School Times were shared

From: "Milind Choudhari" <milindc999@yahoo.com>

Date: Mon Sep 1, 2003 6:13 pm

Subject: New member...

The name **Mrs Ahuja struck my memory**. She was one of the teachers teaching around second and third standars when we used to wait outside for our tenth standard. **As the classrooms were shared and our time started at 11.45**. The teachers who taught me were Dharmadhikari, VS Tiwari, S M Joshi, PC Chimote, Kale, Gangajaliwale, S N Deshpande and Principal was Jain.

From: "Shweta Javere" <shwetajavere@yahoo.com>

Date: Tue Sep 2, 2003 9:20 am

Subject: Re: New member...

Hi,

Got to see a mail from this gp after a long time. The number of **members has risen to 41**. Thats good. Just to remind you all, we have tables in database section like - contact list, wishes, b'days, 10th batch year, been at kvvsn from-to etc. Also, in the files section - biographies, memories etc folders exist, to which u can contribute and make urself more familiar with other group members. Do go through these sections.

About Ahuja Ma'am ,I suppose, from the messages, she was part of KVVSN for the longest period. I also remember her. She used to teach us for some time in class 7th . I don't know if any girls of my batch remember this or not - but **our SUPW teacher Tambe Ma'am** (the plump one) used to gossip a lot about her - right from the way she walked to the way she used to dress up. I just remembered this when I saw Ahuja Ma'am's name in the message and couldn't stop laughing.

Hope to see more new members.

Shweta

From: "srikantg" <srikant.gokulnatha.wg98@wharton.upenn.edu>

Date: Wed Sep 3, 2003 12:44 am

Subject: Re: New member...

I was probably one of the scrawny kids in the classroom when you were waiting outside :-).

The **new building (that got rid of this waiting problem) came up in mid-79**. I rather liked the **old schedule, 7:30 to 11:30** and it gave the entire afternoon to hang around in the lazy Nagpur heat at home or thereabouts. Or chase the monkeys and bring down tamarind from the trees heading home through Civil Lines after school.

I remember **Prof. Dharmadhikari** (though I do not think he taught me), (who taught Biology and was rather good though with a mean streak), **Prof. Chimote** (Chemistry, I think), **Prof. Gangajaliwale** (Phys Ed and very good), and **Prof. Sagarmal Jain** (who was somewhat non aggressive and whose successor **Mohd. Naim** turned the place around in a hurry and brought it up several notches).

If you thought there was lots to gossip about **Mrs. Ahuja** when you were in Class 7th, think about how much more colorful it was 15-20 years before that fact. In retrospect, I would blame it all on conservative Nagpur mores than anything else. She was extremely good

at what she did and I attribute my perfect GRE and GMAT verbal scores to the English I learnt at KVVSN. We were extremely lucky to have gone to school there.

Srikant

From: "Ajay" <ajaysapra@yahoo.com>

Date: Tue Sep 16, 2003 9:15 pm

Subject: Re: [kvvsn] New member...

any body remembers about Avtani madam urf Aafataani madam

Remembering Mamta Dutta Madam

From: shweta javere <shwetajavere@yahoo.com>

Date: Tue Sep 23, 2003 6:20 pm

Subject: Re: [kvvsn]

Ya, ofcourse I remember our Principal Devender Singh. I also remeber the next principal who was a contrast - **Mrs. Mamta Dutta**. anyone remember her???

From: "vandana upadhyay" <u.vandana@lycos.com>

Date: Tue Sep 23, 2003 8:26 pm

Subject: Re: [kvvsn]

who can forget Mamta Dutta**after the many class punishments we got** :)

After this the Real Work Starts of Search and Uniting the People,

Prachait Saxena, used

Google.com as a Tool

Very soon, People from Different Batch will start uniting together and Number will increaded to 40+ Members till 1 Dec 2003,

From: "sananju59" <sananju59@yahoo.co.in>

Date: Mon Dec 1, 2003 11:43 am

Subject: Re: Batch of 1976

Hi Folks,

I am from KVVSN too but seems that I am one of the oldest on this site and group. I **passed out in 1976. Last Batch of XIth** class. Me and Santosh Karmarkar were the toppers. Anybody from that era.

Sandy

2nd January 2004, Milestone Crossed with 50 + Members

From: Amit Joshi <a_rjoshi@yahoo.com>

Date: Fri January 2, 2004 3:01 am

Subject: Milestone

Hi,

First of all wish you a very happy and prosperous 2004.

Great to hear from you shashi. Was especially fun to see the photo from the good old days. Why dont you upload it on the group web site? I also request other members to upload any photographs they have from the school days.

Today is also a special day for the group. **On 27th December 2003 the group was 3 years old and today we are 50 member strong.** I hope the group grows even more in 2004.

Enjoy Amit

13th January 2004, School Visit by Harshvardhan Sheorey from Australia

From: "Harshvardhan Sheorey" <harshasheorey@yahoo.com.au>

Date: Tue January 13, 2004 11:12 am

Subject: Recent visit to KVN

I recently visited KVN after a very long gap - and what a change! I have uploaded couple of pictures taken recently. I have the **image of KVN & the hostel of 1972**, when I passed out. Some of you were probably not even born!! There were hardly any trees then and there **was a 'jungle' where the primary section stands today**. The playground was so rough - you guys won't believe it. Yet we used to have our cricket & volleyball matches - and enjoyed them thoroughly! Those were the days! I also stayed in the hostel from 1969 - 72 and had the best days of my life. **Doodnath Bhaiya (the cook)** was a character and many generations of the **Gulati family (Jaspal was my contemporary)** kept coming into the hostel! I'll try and find some pictures from my collection and put them on the site.

Doesn't look like anyone from that 'era' knows about this group, but I'll start spreading the word.

26th March 2004, Reaction of Students with Old Members Tell Fresh Stories from there Memories

From: Aditya Gupta <akg1234@yahoo.com>

Date: Fri Mar 26, 2004 1:47 am

Subject: Hey Guyssssssssssssss

Hey Harsha (1972 batch)

Good to listen from a person who was in our school **probably when we were not even born**. Well i am Aditya and was in the 96 batch. i would love to hear ur experiences . Well the princi at our time was Madam Mamta Dutta, before that i remember Mr. Devender Singh was there, in between our vice princi (i dont remember her name) was acting princi .

anyways have a nice day. ell me whenever u come to india, i would certainly like to meet you

29th March 2004, About School in 1970s

From: "Shweta Javere" <shwetajavere@yahoo.com>

Date: Mon Mar 29, 2004 10:37 am

Subject: Hi!!

Hey all,

It was **great to see the 1971-72 snaps**. And also good to see the group becoming more and more interactive. I myself left the school nearly a decade earlier after class 9th. So, the snaps really brought back the memories. When I left the school, the Principal was Madam Mamata Dutta. Don't know if she still continues to be the Principal. Must say, was quite efficient.

The photograph of **Julie Shulai** looks like one of those **old movies of Asha Parekh n Helen zamaana**. ;-) Obviously would have had many having a crush on her.

Other than the **Telenkhidi lake**, there was a **'ber' ka jungle behind our school** which was the favorite place of students during lunch or after school. Feel like laughing when I recollect those memories of going to collect those fruits and boast of how much one had collected. Ha ha.. Anyway, let the group be active always. Regards, Shweta

From: Harsha Sheorey <harshasheorey@yahoo.com.au>

Date: Wed Mar 31, 2004 4:40 pm

Subject: KVN days in the 70s

Hi Shweta and all

I am glad people have liked the photos. Even though they are grey & yellow and not as sharp, the fond memories are still there, don't u agree?

Mamata Madam was Mamata Mitra (I think). She taught us Biology and was my favourite teacher! I continued biology to ultimately take up a career in microbiology - doesn't that say something about the teachers? When Mitra madam left, (Surekha) Das madam (later Mrs Deshpande) took over bio and was equally good! Mitra madam then went overseas as an exchange teacher (i think) and came back later to be the Principal As Mrs Dutta. I think I am on the right track here....can anyone confirm this?? Does anyone know whereabouts of Mitra/Dutta madam? I would love to contact her.

The Julie Shulai story is also very interesting. You can see she was a very young teacher - only a few years older than most of us. And I'm sure all of u have experienced this when u are 15-16 - a crush on one of your teachers. Come on admit it! **In 1971 we had a National Integration Camp** - students and teachers from all over India came to Ngp and lived in the hostel. I was a hosteler then and u can imagine we were very close & friendly with lot of them. There were various interschool competitions - games, debating etc. It was great fun! I don't know if there was another one of these camps ever again.

The "ber-wan" is gone now! I was very sad to see the whole bush cleared when i went there recently. I too have wonderful memories of going in to the '**jungle**' to get '**ber**'. I also remember chasing peacocks and foxes in the jungle. In the evening we (hostelers) could hear wolves howling. **Can't believe 30 years on everthing is gone! What a shame!!**

Anyway, keep writing. Do people like to hear these stories or are they boring - be frank and let me know. Till then, take care and keep writing! est wishes to all Harsha

From: "ramnair2001" <ramnair2001@yahoo.com>

Date: Wed Mar 31, 2004 8:34 pm

Subject: KVN in good old '70s

Dear Harsha & all ,

I also remember the National Integration Camp. Though I do not recall Ms Julie specifically (I should be pardoned as I was then a VIth or VIIth standard kid!). I do remember the groups were from Shillong , Kerala and Haryana. Since I had come to KVN in 71 from KV Shillong, I had some interaction with the guys from Shillong. The "**ber van** " **holds some special memories** . We had a hideout there, which used to be our changing room on the days we had NCC in the morning. I remember Vicky also joining us occasionally. When I was in IXth (Bio & Maths stream) Mr Joshi was the Bio Sir. The staff members about whom I heard later were **Awani Ma'm (Hindi)** – she was teaching at Kamptee KV during late 80's and I also heard Mr Anand Rao (English) was in Mumbai.

Harsh - I was referring to Daljeet Singh in an earlier Mail – there used to be a Kohli brother and sister who were in the same class as Daljeet Singh. They too were from Kamptee. Do you recall. Keep writing -- the old stories are interesting . I am sure the KVVSN-ites will also find the KVN stories interesting. I think I have some photographs from those days - but back in India. maybe next vacation I shall try and salvage them. Regards Ram

From: "vandana upadhyay" <u.vandana@lycos.com>

Date: Wed Mar 31, 2004 8:48 pm

Subject: Re: [kvvsn] KVN days in the 70s

hi Harsha,

I was in KVVSN when Mrs Dutta joined as the principal. I didn't know that she used to teach there earlier etc. I would say she did a great job disciplining the school. I too would like to

contact her and of course thank her for all she did . When I joined KV (1992) everything was a big mess there....or at least i felt it was that way . Actually I didn't even feel like continuing there. If it were not for Mrs. Dutta joining the school and making it so much better I don't think I would have been as fond of KVVSN as I am now. Thanks Harsha, for reminding me of the contribution our teachers have made in making us what we are.

6th May 2004, First Mail from School English Teacher Lorna Alva

From: "l_alva2004" <l_alva2004@yahoo.co.in>

Date: Thu May 6, 2004 5:22 pm

Hello Students,

I was thrilled to learn about this site. How are all of you?

I miss all of you a lot and often remember the nice times we had. Would like to hear from you.

I am **superannuating on 31st August 2004** after having worked for **36years in KV Vayusena Nagar,Nagpur**. You will be happy to hear that I received an Incentive Award from KVS in 1997 and the **National Award (Presidents Award) in 2001**.

This was possible only because of my wonderful students, who made it a pleasure for me to work with dedication. Infact I was given an extension of service for two years till August 2004. I hope you remember me just as I remember you.

With lots of love,

Lorna Alva
(Your English Teacher)

Replies to the Mail by English Teacher Lorna Alva

From: Milind Choudhari <milindc999@yahoo.com>

Date: Fri May 7, 2004 4:57 am

Subject: Alva Madam

Hello Madam,

Wish you **lots of good health and a vary happy retired life**. I am sure you will continue to contribute to the society as you did to the school.

I had joined KVVSN in 1975 in tenth and you would be **taking the class for the first or second standard** and we would wait outside for you to finish because the classrooms were shared. Our school used to **start at 12.00 noon when the primary used to finish their school**.

All the success I had in my life is because I was a student of Central School and Central School has lot of good teachers like you who have shaped their students lives.

All the best Madam. Milind Choudhari

From: Harsha Sheorey <harshasheorey@yahoo.com.au>

Date: Sat May 8, 2004 4:12 pm

Subject: Re: [kvvsn]

Dear Alva madam

If I remember correctly you were a primary teacher in the early 70s when I was at KVSN - that is >30 years ago! Although you didn't teach me I remember **you very well as the 'most neatly dressed' teacher!** I passed out in 1972 and had two other brothers in the school Shantanu & Vicky. I have now settled in Melbourne, Australia and if you are ever planning to come for a holiday this way, do let me know - I would love to be of assistance.

Congratulations for your achievements and wish you a very happy retired life, you surely deserve it. Hope other teachers take your lead and join this forum. It will be so nice to catch up with old teachers as with old friends.

Good luck and best wishes Harsha Sheorey

From: Aditya Gupta <akg1234@yahoo.com>

Date: Thu May 6, 2004 11:33 pm

Subject: Re: [kvvsn]

Hello Madam,

It was a **nice surprise to receive your mail from this site**, in fact in the past few mails we all were just talking about our beloved teachers only and believe me your name was mentioned by almost all of us. Well madam, u wont be remembering me since you never taught me , but then i remember you very much.

Its nice to hear that you **have been awarded with Presidents award** also :) . i wish you the very best in your life ahead.

We expect regular mails and blessings from you.

truly yours Aditya Kumar Gupta

1st July 2004, we had crossed 80 + Members in the Yahoo Group

7th July 2004, People Start Meeting in USA (Both from KV VSN)

From: Milind Choudhari <milindc999@yahoo.com>

Date: Wed Jul 7, 2004 8:29 pm

Subject: Whats happened to this group

Whats the matter with this group. Mails have stopped flowing.

While I was in USA I called up **M V Simhan my class mate from KVVSN**. He insisted that I should come to Chicago. I went to Chicago for a weekend. As we were **meeting after 27 years we had exchanged our photographs** so that we could recognise each other.

Because of him I could see Chicago also. It was great fun meeting him and his family.

Hopefully in my next trip I should meet Ulhas Menon in New Jersey. Milind Choudhari

Again, **Prachait Saxena Send 410+ Invitation** to all the Members, registered at **batchmates.com, alumni.net website.**

Once again, Prachait Saxena, proposed for the Creation of Website for KV VSN Alumni.

7th August 2004, Do we need a School Website ?

From: "Prachait Saxena" <prachait_ngp@sancharnet.in>

Date: Sat Aug 7, 2004 3:44 pm

Subject: **Do we need a School Website ?**

Hello All,

I am Posting after a long time, and was thinking, why the group become inactive after some...

Nice Postings.. **Are the new people Join... Post and Become inactive ?**

Or the Old Group people leave interest after sharing some or few things. I think, we are here.. to share the current affairs also. as WHO is doing, WHAT and WHERE.... HOW one can HELP other....

SOME mirchi POSTING.. to Know the PAST and CURRENT about the SCHOOL...

Well. I though, we should have a Website of the School.. which one can Say a alumni. which help us to make the group more famous ... I need the comments from all of you. and yea. Please suggest the domain name too as we can have a poll for it.

I have some names in my mind as **kvvsn.com , kvvsn-nagpur.com ..**

Wating for the reply from all of you.

And Very soon the Reply start coming

From: Harsha Sheorey <harshasheorey@yahoo.com.au>

Date: Sat Aug 7, 2004 5:56 pm

Subject: Re: [kvvsn] Do we need a School Website ?

I agree with Prachait. We seem to be inactive.

A simple thing as **Prachait suggested is have a data base** of who is doing what and how can one help. I am happy to help with **my expertise and advice/educate on my speciality**. So if someone is prepared to take the lead, I'm in.

Also, I am going to be in Nagpur in January-Feb 05. If some of you want to meet somewhere or organise a meeting with past teachers or a visit to the school on a particular day, I'm in.

What do people think?

From: "pavanabhat" <pavanabhat@yahoo.com>

Date: Wed Aug 11, 2004 6:02 pm

Subject: Re: Do we need a School Website ?

Hi all..

The idea of having a **school website is great** ! Also, the thought of **meeting in Nagpur makes me feel excited** abt it..lets try our best to make this event happen (last time we tried, but somehow cudnt) .. thts OK .. at least lets plan better this time !!

Hey, updates from my side ..for those of you who are not familiar with me, am Pavana, was in KVVSN till 1994. My husband (Ravindra, if any of you know him) too happens to be from KVVSN, passed out in 1989, hez in IBM & me in AOL(America online).. we are located in bangalore.. so, thts it guys.. keep mailing ...bye

10th August 2004, Once Again, the Alumni Reunion Meet Program Gear Up

From: Milind Choudhari <milindc999@yahoo.com>

Date: Tue Aug 10, 2004 9:31 am

Subject: Meeting

I am at present in Delhi and by October I should be in USA again.

The coordination has to be done by someone who is at Nagpur presently.

So calling friends who are at Nagpur to please come forward and decide on the date and other formalities. Day like a Monday or friday will be fine as it will get us a weekend for our travels. Some leave has to be taken from our busy schedules for this.

In fact all **who are in Nagpur or nearby or people who frequent Nagpur** can have a small meeting before this to plan it out. I suggest date of 31st August at the school as Madam Alva is retiring on that day.

From: "Prachait Saxena" <prachait_ngp@sancharnet.in>

Date: Wed Aug 11, 2004 12:52 am

Subject: Re: [kvvsn] Meeting

Hello Guys,

I am in Nagpur, and I hope from the group itself, we can find some more people who can help me in arranging the meet. I would like to **make a Online Reg form** for the meets, and from there we can know, who are all coming (or Interested to come) for the meet itself.

Because before starting about the arrangements, we should first know... what all we have to do rather than just doing. I would like to appeal will all the memebtrs to come forward and give there valuable suggestions.

From: MITA CHAKRAVORTY <mitachakravorty@yahoo.com>

Date: Sat Aug 14, 2004 3:11 pm

Subject: Re: [kvvsn] Meeting

Hi'

I am a new member of your group and game for what ever you guys plan but do give us enough time to fit the meeting. Let me know if I can be of any help. **I am in mumbai and can handle the cordination of mumbai chapter.** Bye mita (Sumita Ghosh)

From: Simhan Mand yam <bhaktiveda@yahoo.com>

Date: Tue Aug 10, 2004 4:27 am

Subject: Re: [kvvsn] Meeting

Wow ! Thank you , **I was talking to Milind when he was in US about this** , and I had sent out a note to all the batchmates in Batchmate.com on their website to have a **25 year reunion**.

Please do not forget you buddies in exIndia. We would like to attend too....please let us know what I can do. Simhan/Kasturi/Shubha/Jayshree

18th September 2004, People start telling about the Old Fun Incidents of School

From: Harsha Sheorey <harshasheorey@yahoo.com.au>

Date: Sat Sep 18, 2004 5:39 am

Subject: "fun" incidents

Hi Ram and others

Now that u remind me and there is no harm in "**letting the cat out of the bag**", there was an incident of breaking in. But I think it was 1971-72 (as I left in 72) and it was the staff room. Cant remember details (getting old now), but either the questions were copied **or the answer papers were changed** - something like that.

Also another incident when I was in the hostel - **I dont feel "ashamed"** of admitting it now (a typical teenage thing) - **we used to steal cricket and TT balls** from the sports store (which used to be in the hostel). It was a well executed plan with a number of guys involved. One would stand 'hidden' outside the warden's room (Mr Sinha), another one a distance away and yet another one in the balcony above the sport store room to relay a message if the warden came out. **Two guys (once it was me) would break in (we had a 'master' key)** and take a few things at a time so that it was not noticable. Fortunately the **sports teacher (Mr Gadkari) was quite a casual guy** and wouldn't even know if anything was missing!!

Oh, the good old days!! Anymore incidents to share anyone??

From: "Ravindra Yadav" <ravindrab_yadav@yahoo.com>

Date: Sun Sep 26, 2004 11:45 pm

Subject: paper leaked in school (we also heard in 1997)

Hello Harsha Sheorey ! AND Other

Yea, I think the breaking was there as **School Watchman "Sher Singh", had narated the same story after so many year to us in 1995.** when we were in 10th class and live in Hostel.

He told us that, where was, "**answer papers were leaked "** for the **10/12 th examination**. The ward of cream people was involved in this episode. including the son of "pilot of Indra Gandhi.". as Narrated by Sher Singh.

From: Ram Nair <ramnair2001@yahoo.com>

Date: Sat Sep 18, 2004 4:08 pm

Subject: Re: [kvvsn] "fun" incidents ramnair2001

Harsha & every1,

now tell us the story about **Daljeet & co breaking furniture on a sunday** .. we juniors only witnessed the shouting match between Mr Jain(principal) and Daljeet in the assembly next day. **Our class (76 batch) too had its share of "limelight"**. Three guys (all kamptee guys)Bheem (later changed his name to Amitabh -- it was the days of Zanjeer ...)surinderSurve and Atmasharan ran off to Bombay. Got caught by the police at Bhusawal brushing teeth at 2AM! Guys came back to Nagpur next day after spending a day with the police (took them to see Bobby)!!

whatever happened to the re-union. My advice – don't plan anything big - anyone in India and around NGP should try & make it. Maybe after I retire and come back to India I shall make it to one of the reunions!!

From: Shashank <shashaxk@yahoo.com>

Date: Mon Sep 27, 2004 6:14 pm

Subject: Re: [kvvsn] paper leaked in school (we also heard in 1997)

Yea, we too have same kind of incident as of **stealing the Butter and Gam from the Hostel Kitehen** and Store room. We also use to steal eggs, and we make the "aamlet" and the top of Hostel. (on the roof) in the night.

We was having the heater in our time, and electricity connection were made from the Dorm to the room.

20th September 2004, Work Started on www.kvvsn.com

At last the School Website Domain www.kvvsn.com was booked on 20th September 2004, by Prachait Saxena and Work on Alumni Website Started

22nd September 2004, We complete 100 Members Listed in Yahoo Group from 1977 – 2004 Batch

Till that time, 1996 Batch become inactive, and few mails were sent to wake them.

From: Milind Choudhari <milindc999@yahoo.com>

Date: Wed Sep 22, 2004 12:08 pm

Subject: **One century of members**

Dear Members,

The group has **crossed the one hundred mark** in members. **Congrats!**
Amit Joshi you have done a good job by starting this group.

"Older Members" means the people who were members of this group first like Amit Joshi, TS Srinivasan, Darshan Purandare, Mary Jacob, Ankur Batta, Vinayak Kapte, Shuchita, Shweta Javere , Aditya Gupta, Nykaj Nair, Anand Phanse, Aditya Gupta, Pavana V Bhat.

"Senior Members" means people who were in the school earlier like Harsha Shoerey, Ram Nair, M V Simhan, Ulhas Menon and me.

The batches from 1995 were lucky in being connected to each other because of various means of communication available while for us it used to be the old Snail mail. Phones were a big luxury in those days. **Cameras were considered costly equipment too.**

Some how the mails from earlier members have trickled down. Come on write some anecdotes, memories from your times too. The younger batches must have loads of photographs with them. Lets share them.

From: sanjay gandhi <sanjayngandhi@yahoo.co.in>

Date: Wed Sep 22, 2004 11:26 am

Dear older members,

we are **very happy that you people have started this group** and it has helped us in locating our long lost friends. without your help it wouldnt have been possible.

I personally feel that nowadays you people have stopped writing and taking active interest in this group, may be because you feel that it has been hijacked by the seniors once again (as it used to happen in school).

All the senior members will be very happy if you all start taking active interest once again and make this group a grand sucesses. I would also like to congratulate you all for completing century in membership.

23rd September 2004, Call to All Members (Nagpur, to meet Principal for the Event)

From: "Prachait Saxena" <prachait_ngp@sancharnet.in>

Date: Thu Sep 23, 2004 2:34 pm

Subject: Call to All Members (Nagpur, to meet Principal for the Event) prachait

Hi, Cognates to you all, as we have

100+ Members... 718+ Mails... Members from 1968 - 2003 Batch...

And Poll ... <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/kvvsn/polls>

So, its time for the Reunion now, and we all are discussing this matter from a long time in the group. The agenda is to meet at School, to refresh our Memories....

On these lines, heading to a step... We (I and Mr. Sanjay Gandhi) had planned to go the School Next week to talk to the principal, about this event.

It is a **CALL TO ALL MEMBER, (Specially who live in Nagpur)** to come forward and join us.

Agenda will be:

1. Schedule of event
2. Is the school will be available for us for the event
3. For how many days the program will be conducted
4. Can we get the address of old students and teachers?
5. Can we make this meet as an official meet for the school?

Information to tell the Principal:

How many people will be expected to come (From Nagpur / Outside Nagpur?) How many days...

What kind of program we can arrange

----- We also are looking forward to the local representative, to whom the members can contact in the local cities.

Contact (Nagpur) - 91 98226 95746 (Sanjay) 91 98229 44025 (Prachait)

(Pune)- 91 98228 52409 (Shweta)

(Delhi)

91 98919 89169 (Milind)

(Bangalore) ? Searching
(Madras) ? Searching
(Any City) ? Searching

We would like that you all come forward with the suggestion, to make this call meaning full.

But will never worked as we have very few people in the group.

Then we started working and search the Person in Nagpur Only, aga in Prachait Saxena took the initiative and start search the Members in Nagpur.

24, September 2004, People Started Meeting beyond the limits.

From: Milind Choudhari <milindc999@yahoo.com>

Date: Fri Sep 24, 2004 7:16 pm

Subject: Surprise Visit

Yesterday I had a **surprise visit from two of the members of KVVSNS**. They are Anand Phanse and Aditya Gupta. Though I left the school about nineteen years before them, it didnt make any difference. Anand was on his way back to Tokyo via Delhi.

It is always a pleasure to meet people from our school.

25, September 2004, After Reading all our discussion Madam sent a hello in the Group

From: Lorna <l_alva2004@yahoo.co.in>

Date: Sat Sep 25, 2004 6:33 pm

My Dearest Student,

Your messages made me nostalgic. Yes I also read all about the pranks you were upto during your school days but anyway it was innocent mischief.

I retired on 31st August' 04. It was terribly sad leaving K.V. Vayu Sena Nagar after **36 years**. I miss all of you and am anxiously waiting to meet you sometime.

My farewell was very touching . I was loaded with bouquets and gifts. After the farewell Mrs. Dutta , ex Principal and many retired teachers and other teachers accompanied me home, My house was like a garden decorated with bouquets.

On the last day the XII class students wept and I too wept. Recently when I visited school all my students rushed to me and said they wanted me to come back to teach them. I always loved my students and they are one of the best things that could have happened to me . I miss all of you.

22nd October 2004, once again Prachait Saxena sends Reminder for Reunion

From: "Prachait Saxena" <prachait_ngp@sancharnet.in>

Date: Thu Oct 21, 2004 1:11 pm

Subject: **Oops 22 Out of 149 (14%) Respoce by KV VSN ?**

Hello All,

Its a surprise to me that, people from Kendriya Vidyalaya, Vayesena Nagar,Nagpur will give only 14% result, in one month. Just 22 Out for 149

if you did not belive me, just check this link <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/kvvsns/polls>
Are only 22 people are interested to meet with there friends ?

Are rest of 127 people are busy in there lifes ?
We did not have time ? (Or we can not take out the time ?)

And The Quick Support Came back from

From: Ram Nair <ramnair2001@yahoo.com>

Date: Sat Oct 23, 2004 10:56 am

Subject: Re: [kvvsn] Oops 22 Out of 149 (14%) Respoce by KV VSN ?

Dear Prachait,

I am sure **everyone of the 149 (incl yourself) appreciate your efforts** and also understand your frustration at this kind of response (or no response). To be fair to the 127 (incl me) there can be various reasons. I would expect all those resident in NGP to repond or at lease majority to respond. However with those of us who stay outside the country and make only an annual pilgrimage , it will be an exercise in futility responding to this survey. However personally I shall make it a point sometime in the near future to make a trip to NGP and meet with you all and of course make it up to Vayusena nagar. Please do not give up. **Almost two years back I saw a similar effort building up and then everyone gave up.** You should go ahead , dont giveup. These days I can see lot of people from the 90's batches getting active, I am sure you will get the required support from all. Best wishes

From: bhaktiveda@yahoo.com

Date: Sat Oct 23, 2004 8:33 pm

Subject: Thanks for the Poll...

Yes I am guilty as charged, as you know I visit this forum once in 2 weeks to check on the old friends. I saw the poll today (Oct 23 2004). I responded ASAP i saw it. I think as Ram says, lets not loose the hope! , we are from a very good heritage of schools and I think we can pull this together.

Parachait- Lets take these actions, please let us know what I can do to help you.

- 1.Lets **setup a Chat session** on a specific day on Yahoo or hotmail and invite everyone from this group to particiapate.
2. Then we assign roles and repsonsibility in the areas of of organization this event planning, Costs, loadging , Boarding for the reunion.

Let us start the ball rolling, I had tried to get intouch with people from KVVSN **aroud 1998-2000, for the 25th- reunion for the 1977 batch**, and there was no response. I think at this time you do see more friends of our school responding. I think it will be a good idea as many of our elderly teacher would appreciate, we meeting them.

Please get in touch with me.
Simhan Mandyam

24th October 2004, Prachait Saxena Suggest to use our own Forum / Website

From: "Prachait Saxena" <prachait_ngp@sancharnet.in>

Date: Sun Oct 24, 2004 10:06 pm

Subject: Better Forum from Yahoo or Batchmates.Com is Our OWN

****** IN REPLY TO A MAIL FROM BATCHMATES.COM ******

Hi Members , And Dear Mr Simhan Mandyam

This forum (Batchmates.com) is already trapped. I sent the mail to each and every member(427) here. and we got the huge increase in the number at yahoo group from 50-150 in 2 months.

It will be better as we look out to Our Own Website, to get complete details, from the forum.

The Search Able coments, and Profile, So it will be easy to create some auto mateted system like

1. Who are living in My City

- A Mail Will be generated, every month, with the contact details of other

2. Who are living in My Country

- A Mail Will be generated, every month, with the contact details of other

3. Birth day wishes

4. Posting, as if I go to Some City, I am new.

-I will post a Notification as I am Coming to New Delhi, This message will go in mail, to all the peoples who are living in New Delhi, Automatically.

These are **some examples, which I have in my mind.**

For this, I am looking for our OWN school Portal, Not the Yahoo Or batchmates.com (Yea we can shift the Archives to our site, as it is a not a very big issue)

I would like if you check out some of initial work as <http://www.kvvsn.com>
I am looking forward, for your comments on the same

27th October 2004, Anand Phanse gave suggestion for re-union -- hold it at multiple locations

From: "Anand Phanse" <phanse@iuj.ac.jp>

Date: Wed Oct 27, 2004 3:44 am

Subject: **suggestion for re-union -- hold it at multiple location**

Here's a suggestion for the re-union --

With so many people scattered far and wide across the globe, **why don't we hold re-unions simultaneously at multiple locations.** That way more people can attend at a place convenient to them. Possibly hold it at the same time in each time zone so that one **can dial and conference by phone** if one wants to for a while to say hello to more people in other locations.

Of course Nagpur would be one the locations, I guess Bangalore would be another, third maybe Delhi, and then locations all over he world.

However **this will require a volunteer at each location to coordinate on venue** and playing the anchor to the event.

Nothing original here, just what we do at my university, fix up a bar that is friendly to a big group of people turning up and set up a time to meet, all those who are free, join in, buy their own food and drinks and chit chat along.

From: "Prachait Saxena" <prachait_ngp@sancharnet.in>

Date: Thu Oct 28, 2004 7:53 pm

Subject: Re: suggestion for re-union -- hold it at multiple location

yes, That is very true. and for this, we need the detailed Address and Contact Number of all the members so that, **we can have a Online Database for all the members**

If had a plan to make a Online Database on kvvsn.com in there, we can search the member on Batch, City , Country... and other and sent the instant Notification.

Yea, we **will require a volunteer at each location.** One In Each City atleast, and Other that India, one from each country. for the coordination.

We can also have **the Electroni Re Union first**, where we can have Online Chat at the same time, and then The Re Union at Resp. Location.

We can arrange a **Big Meet in the School Itself, as we will cross the mark of 500+ members.** We are starting the talk with the School to, as looking for the Old Teacher also.

I hope we will get few more suggestion from the people living in Bangalore and Pune

And at the End Nothing workout and Re union plans goes in fire.

Now, we thought of Search KV ian in Nagpur, and uniting the First, and then Conduct the Get together.

The www.kvvsn.com website formally launched on 1st January 2005, and All the information start uploading on the website.

Prachait Saxena started looking for the Members in Nagpur,

Met with Mrs Sudesh Sharma (School Teachers) Madam Alva, S M Joshi,

Start calling Out Side Nagpur to Harbinder Kaur Ghair Dr., Ajit Singh Gulati, and many more.

In Nagpur very soon, we were having a database of 700+ Members listed on the website.,

This process took 2 Months more than 400 calls, meet with 100+ Students / Teachers and and February was gone.

22nd January 2005, Controversy Starts in the Yahoo Group with one mail of Aditya Gupta and members started shouting on it.

From: Aditya Gupta <akg1234@yahoo.com>

Date: Sat January 22, 2005 8:02 am

Terok Singh was travelling in a crowded bus. He was carrying the passport size photograph of his son (for college admission).?

Accidently,the photograph fell down from his pocket. He started searching for it frantically & found it on the floor, below the ends of a woman's saree.

He asked her "Can you lift that saree? I wanna take photograph"

The rest is history. He was beaten so badly that he had to be admitted to hospital. He was surprised to see Butol Singh on the bed next to him,in a worse condition. Butol explained what happened to him.

He had gone to a remote village to work. He finished late and missed the last bus. He couldn't find any hotel.

So he approached a nearby house and asked the Owner whether he can stay there for the night. The Owner replied "I have 2 grownup daughters.? Sorry,I can't allow you to stay".

He approached the next house and asked whether he can stay there for the night.The Owner replied,"I have 3 grown up daughters.? Sorry, I can't allow you to stay".

He went to the next house and asked:" Do you have "grown up" daughters?".?

The Owner asked,"WHY?????????"

Butol replied, " I wanted to stay here for a night....." The rest is history.

THE MORAL OF THE STORY IS "WORDS GET YOU INTO DEEP TROUBLE IF YOU DON"T USE IT CORRECTLY."

The reply with Shouting came as

From: grewal vickram <vickramgrewal@yahoo.com>

Date: Sun January 23, 2005 6:08 pm

Dear Everyone,

This is not a personal attack on anyone.

However, I feel that its about time that people of India stop making jokes on Sikhs.

These **jokes (where some "Singh" is mentioned)** have been around for a long time and have continued due to the fact that the Sikhs are in the minority in India and are good, kind and big hearted and on top of that they also have a good sense of humor. However, this does not mean that we take advantage of this and keep making use of the name "Singh" in all the jokes.....how about using, Mr Smith instead, or some other neutral name that does not have a possibility of offending any "Indian", infact if you like to be universal, it will be better just to use a first name....and ignore the last name altogether.

If you are still reading, either you are thinking why I am being a spoil sport, or that I am a do gooder or something on these lines.

In any case, I would like to remind all the respected members of this forum that the Sikhs, from the very begining have been saving the lives of their fellow humans, citizens, from thugs, murders, looters, from the times of Moughals. The Sikhs have a spiritual obligation to protect

their fellow beings. Just because of the physical strength they have, please don't think that they lack in mental strength. Not only they have created one of the smallest (in size) states in India (Punjab) into the richest state of India (due to the hard work they do in agriculture), **they have also managed to mobilise the troupes of the Indian Army, IAF and the Navy in a number of battles and peace keeping forces. Not only they have settled around India and the world (from Iraq to Brazil, from USA to New Zealand)**, integrating with the local cultures, learning the local languages, creating Gurdwara's and starting the free kitchens (LANGARS), they now also hold power in countries such as Canada, UK, USA, Australia.

Sikh Regiments have fought battles for the British as well as the Indian Governments around the world, be it against dictators such as Hitler or to free the countries such as Bangladesh.

Sikhs organisations such as Global Sikhs and United Sikhs (from around the world) are doing physical (as well as financial) Sewa (one of the principles of Sikhism) in the Tsunami hit places like Andaman Nicobar Islands, Aceh etc.

Sikhs in Australia (which number only 17,000) have **collected AU\$1,10,000 to help the Tsunami Relief Efforts.**

It is **my humble appeal, as a learning Sikh myself**, not to include "Singh" in the jokes that you circulate. It might give satisfaction to you and to those who are ignorant. I feel that ex-KV people would be more intelligent than that. I feel that ex-KV people will have the ability to be sensitive enough to be caring to their fellow citizens, humans, class mates, school mates.

I do understand that "Singh" does not have to be a Sikh, however, you all are smart enough to know what a joke implies.

I want to emphasise **that I am not writing this in response to the recent joke posted by Aditya Gupta**, however, his post has reminded me of this issue, which I know bothers a lot of YOUR fellow humans, YOUR fellow citizens, YOUR fellow class mates. Those who would give their LIVES to protect you. Those who love you as much as you love your own family.

I hope this does not create any animosity and that it will only improve the goodwill and perhaps a small start, where a pledge could be made by people not to make it a habit to make fun of only one KIND of people, be it Sikhs or be it any other KIND of people. Because, as soon as you do that, you make them less human, you make them feel that they are a KIND of people different from others.

If you are still reading.....well that's it.....you have come to the end of my 'taking it off my chest' whinge! Thank you!

Vickram Singh

From: "Ram S. Puranam" <puranam@neuro.duke.edu>

Date: Sun January 23, 2005 9:39 pm

Dear Members of the Kendriya Vidyalaya, Vayusena Nagar, Nagpur, **The letter from Vickram Singh should be taken very seriously** by all of us. I was about to express my thoughts of this matter and Mr Vickram Singh beat me to it. I have a lot of Sikh friends and I admire and respect them very much. I think all educated people like us should strive towards developing mutual respect for all communities and languages of our country. The **word "secular" is a very important trait** in defining the character of our nation. I hope everyone reads Mr Vickram Singh's letter and appreciates his genuine concerns.

Cheers,

Ram S Puranam

From: Harsha Sheorey <harshasheorey@yahoo.com.au>

Date: Mon January 24, 2005 4:06 am

Subject: Respect others!

Hi all

I agree with Ram and Vikram 100%! After all this forum is to bring us together, not divide us. If it has (or will) hurt someone, lets refrain from it.

I should add, like everyone else, I have always had many wonderful Sikh friends - Daljeet & Jaspal at KVVSJ just to name a few. We have a couple of Sikh bus drivers here and I often greet them with "Sat Sri Akal". I know of another interesting story that happened here a few years ago. **A sikh entered the police force in Brisbane** here. He was told that the turban he wore was not a part of the uniform and he couldn't wear it. He went to court and won, the judge saying the rules should be changed to accomodate other religions if we want to live happily in a **true multicultural society**.

Life is about tolerance and respecting each other - no matter what caste, creed or religion one belongs to.

From: Ram Nair <ramnair2001@yahoo.com>

Date: Tue January 25, 2005 12:05 am

Dear Vikram & everyone else who responded to vikram's mail,

I am a **KV-ite who is a "mallu" (malayali from Kerala)** and having studied in KV Shillong ; Nagpur and Jullundur + other educational institutions in Delhi as well as in Kerala. And having had a career life in Narnaul(Haryana); Bombay ;Mangalore ; Kuwait and Dubai. I too have my share of Sikh friends (my batchmate Sarabjit Singh -from Kamptee) from KVN and of course a whole lot from Jullundur. Most of us do not differentiate people on their ethnic background , we see them as individuals . Especially if you had an opportunity to work and **live in a cosmopolitan environment**. Iam sure Vikram will agree and must have also come across more individuals who are less bothered about anyone's religion or region.

I too have said my share of Sikh jokes like every other Indian and in fact the best sikh jokes **I have come across are from Khushwant Singh** (as vikram says the sense of humour is best among sikhs). But honestly we have all heard and repeated these jokes without any malicious intend. My friends here (from UK) always tell similar jokes about the Irish.

Vickram, you will agree that it will not be easy to stop this practice overnight. I am sure those of us who have read this mail and this thread will make a conscious effort to desist from repeating such jokes. You have succeeded in putting your point across.

Look at the bollywood movies the stereotype sikh is a patriotic Indian , the best neighbour one can have etc, I cant remember any movie where a Sikh portrays a negative character. I guess you can also appreciate this. Let me say " tusi great ho. sannu sadde sikh quom pe garv haigeeya " (the little punjabi that I try to speak is with the Pakis here !)

Regards Ram

From: Aditya Gupta <akg1234@yahoo.com>

Date: Sun January 23, 2005 9:52 pm

I am sorry. never had intentions to hurt anyone.

Aditya

At Last it gets over in the Yahoo Group

24th January 2005, The first Help Needed came in the Group by Sanjeev Pandey

From: sanjeev pandey <sanjeev_cool4u@yahoo.co.in>

Date: Mon January 24, 2005 4:14 pm

hi,prachait bhaia

I know i am mailing u after a long time.once i tried with ur another id but it did`nt worked.well how r u doing there?how is ur job going?well can u give me the e-mail addresses of our school pass out`s,who r now **either workin or studying in U.S.Once** u told me someone there in robotics.But this would be better if u send me e-mail id`s of persons related to my mechanical

engg.branch. Actually i am interested in doing my M.S from U.S in aerospace branch. well i think too much members have now joined kvvsn group. well take care

Sanjeev pandey (Jaipur)

And the Quries solved

From: Akshay Gowardhan <aagowardhan@yahoo.com>

Date: Thu January 27, 2005 11:33 pm

the **major problem in doin MS in aerospace** is that u'll find some difficulty in getting jobs..as most of the jobs are related to defense (sosomey or other) and u'll need to have a security clearance for that.....n thats lil tough to get.

if ur work is related to aerospace..then the work experiance will certainly help...but otherwise..i've doubts.

good universities are ofcourse the ivy leauge univs...but i came across a middle level univ. which has a very good aerospace program...arizona state univ. <http://www.eas.asu.edu/~mac/>. and should be easy to get into.

I did my MS from university of utah and continuing for a PhD there only...my specialization is in **computational fluid dynamics (mostly atmospheric flows)**.

where r u doing ur btech.?

1st February 2005, Prachait Saxena and Sanjay Gandhi, met with Alva Madam

From: "Prachait Saxena" <prachait_ngp@sancharnet.in>

Date: Tue Feb 1, 2005 9:36 am

Subject: **Met with Madam Alva, Contact Info. of Teacher and Students**

Dear Friends,

Few days back, Myself along with Sanjay Gandhi of the KV, I met with Mrs. Alva, PGT English, Now retired and residing at Sadar Nagpur. We shared a glorious moment, that we had during the school days. It was very nice to have a cup of tea with her.

She enquired about the old buddies, and where they are an associated with ? In return, We narrated the detail that we could provide her, at that moment.

I told her about the **Yahoo Group and our attempt to unite** and gather the information about all. as we have **160+ Members ranging from 1977 Batch to 2004** pass out batch.

We also told her, that in the group we are having **software engg. Lawyers, Doctors and Defence Person** and many more from diverse field which once associa ted with Kendriya Vidyalaya, Vayusena Nagar.

Some of our members are stated meeting with old friends at Pune, Bangalore, USA and Japan. Initially she was not very much acquainted with the computer and internet, but subsequently when we show her the practical approach, and applicability of the internet.

She appreciated such endeavor and appeal to keep it on. And she suggested that, we should do such kind of thing that, the information about the individuals could be gather from the Internet only.

Further she also suggested giving brief note about having self-explanatory, which could be stored at the central database from where the information can be search and circulated.

We show her our school alumni website www.kvvsn.com and the feature as Creation of Own/ Personal Web Pages, Articles, Newsletter and Polls.

She was very pleased to give the following details of ex-teachers and students.

Right now, school Principal is Madam Alka Shrinivas

Madam Alva English 0712 2543030 (Retired) Sadar

Madam Chhaya Mukherjee Biology 0712 2526218 (Retired)

Madam Dutta Biology/Principal 0712 2544471 (Retired)

Madam Manikali Librarian 2593518 (Ret) (Retired)

Madam Avatani English 0712 2264925

Madam Bhattia Biology 0712 2550635 Posted at KV Kamptee

Madam Kalpana Deshpande Maths 0712 2233073

Mrs Dubey TGT English 0712 2510736

Mr. Godawale TGT Maths 0712 2221245

Madam Kalkar SSc. 0712 2227945

Mrs. Meshram PT Teacher 0712 2645639

Madam Mathur TGT Hindi 098904 44490

Mr. Digeekar Commerce 0712 2222907

Mr Bose PGT Chemistry

Mr Maliya History

Mr Bose and Mr Maliya is neighbour to Mr Digakar, so one can call at the same number and get the respective details.

Rajesh Mandal PGT Phy at KV Pune

Mr. Saha Maths 0712 2571195

Mr. Rai PGT Physics 07578 252086 Rai sir is now Prinipal at KV Parshivni

Mr. Pawsey 0712 2233514

Madam Jayshree Naidu PET 0712 2537677

Mr. Bhatnagar PGT Maths Principal KV. Moscow

S D Naidu SSc /Hindi 0712 2548498

Mr. Devendra Singh Principal Now located at New Delhi,

We are not having his contact information yet.

Mrs Khernar 0712 2553383 Is now Principal KV CRPF

Mrs. S M Joshi Is now director Mordan School Koradi

Mrs. S Turkey PGT Chemistry Is now Principal Navodya Vidyalaya

Mr Chuttani Eng Now located at New Delhi

In the Students, Some information,

Sudhir Jha (Year No idea), who was also at hostel is now Vice President ICICI Bank, Head Office, Bandra, Mumbai

Pankaj Maniktala 09850341105 1978 Batch He is now Associate Editor at Hitawada, Nagpur

Prachait Saxena

As this email by Prachait Saxena is sent in the group with 160+ members, we get immense reply. One can read few mails down the line as:

From: "Anjan Kumar Pal" <anjan_kumar_pal@indiatimes.com>

Date: Thu Feb 3, 2005 4:18 pm

Thanks a lot to Prachait for sharing the phone nos. of KVVSN teachers. Hence had an opportunity for conversation with Mukherjee Madam (Biology), who was our class teacher for XI science (1981-82), yesterday after a span of 23 years. She was amazed and so was I. I couldn't believe my ears when I heard the same voice after such a long period of time. She still remembers some names of the students of our batch, when I told her..... Rajshekhar, are you listening? Although I don't find much of our batch mates on this discussion floor but I still cherish the forum for the participants are indeed very active.

One more query to the members, regarding Sudhir Jha, VP (ICICI Bank) as told by Prachait. Is he from XII science (1983) batch? I remember there was one guy by that name in our class & hostel. -Anjan Kumar Pal XII science (1983)

From: Ankush Athale <athaleankush@yahoo.com>

Date: Tue Feb 1, 2005 9:52 am

Subject: Re: [kvvsn] Met with Madam Alva, Contact Info. of Teacher and Students

Hi Prachait,

I am thankful to you for listing down this information. I really appreciate your work. More over I would like to tell others to give visit to www.kvvsn.com, Prachait has design it very well. Suggestion are invited to me or Prachait. He seemsto make it one of the best sites :-). Help him out.....

Hey Prachait we can put this information on site as blog or else. isn't it!!

Chalo keep mailing..... information. RIN(Rest In Next)

From: "Aman Prasad (Birla Cellulosic)" <amanprasad@adityabirla.com>

Date: Tue Feb 1, 2005 10:00 am

Subject: RE: [kvvsn] Met with Madam Alva, Contact Info. of Teacher and Students

Dear Prachait

It's really an excellent effort from your side along with Mr. Sanjay Gandhi. Can we once again check for two names highlighted in yellow? If the name is Mr. Malviya then he is one who taught us History & another one is Shri S.M. Joshi, he was Bio. HoD.

Any information about Ms. Tambey, she was Maths teacher, Mrs. Ahuja, English Teacher, Shri Bhatnagar use to teach us Commerce & Economics also he was a very strict Hostel Warden during our tenure.

Regards Aman Prasad (Batch 1984 XII)

From: vinayak das <vinuforu_14@yahoo.co.in>

Date: Tue Feb 1, 2005 10:27 am

hi Prachait ,

nice work man i want some information about out hostel warden where they are basically now like our sanskrit teacher Ojha sir , P.K. Chauhan sir and sharma madem where they are . and about our hostel sister also .

From: ankur batta <nurenazar@yahoo.com>

Date: Tue Feb 1, 2005 5:03 pm

Thanks Prachait for this email and for giving the information about ex-teachers of kvvsn...I surely wanted to get in touch with some of them...

Can u send me u'r yahoo messenger id...I by mistake deleted u'r invitation for adding me to u'r yahoo messenger friends list... Thanks, Ankur:-)

From: "pankaj satendra maniktala" <pmaniktala@rediffmail.com>

Date: Wed Feb 2, 2005 8:31 pm

Hi,

Couldn't open the website. An enthusiastic Saxena has been calling me up. Would like to know what you guys intend doing and how can I help.

regards

- pankaj (1978).

From: vivek.sao@tcs.com

Date: Thu Feb 3, 2005 2:51 pm

Subject: feels good to have u all .

Hi All,

It really feels too good to be in touch with old school mates .. just now **I got a call from**

Vinayak Dasoops I missed to remind u all , I am Vivek Sao (1997) (Hosteler)

Can anybody help me out to have contact details of Ashutosh , Debashish , Divyajoti , Saurabh , swapnil and many more .. If I start writing names then this mail will be full of names only

Hats of to the team involved in administrating KVVSN website

Thanks to Prachait Saxena for everything ...

Have a gr88 time you all .

thanks & regards, Sao (1997)

17th February 2005, The First ever Student Information (Pre Release) Published on www.kvvsn.com website.

From: "Prachait Saxena" <prachait_ngp@sancharnet.in>

Date: Thu Feb 17, 2005 11:52 am

Subject: Students List (Pre Release) Check Out and Let Us know more details. prachait

Hello Friends,

We all know, the KV VSN Family of Ex-Students are **becomeing bigger and bigger, day by day.**

We have create a List of Students (Pre Release) from Different Batches. We would like if you go through it, and help us, to Find More Details.. If you have any information (ONLY NAME WILL ALSO HELP) of your lost friend do write to us at info@kvvsn.com

Check the link at http://www.kvvsn.com/Student_Information/

The Support Team, will try to find and update it in the database.

21st February 2005, KV ian met at Bangalore

From: Ankush Athale <athaleankush@yahoo.com>

Date: Mon Feb 21, 2005 5:14 pm

As per plan we all met in Bangalore on Sunday. We had great Sunday evening. Persons met yesterday, Anand , Asutosh, Pravin, Girish, Sandeep and me. We met around 5:30pm in hot spot area of Bangalore, MG-Brigade Road. We went to Cafe Coffee Day and spent almost 1hr there. As all of us where from same batch we where quite knowing each other and had good chit chatting about school, hostel, teachers, then current issues etc.....

After we had dinner in small restaurant "Queens" located on Church Street. I enjoyed everything very much. Last but not least we planned for next meeting and would like give all guys and gals in Bangalore a wake up call for it.....

Please make ur self available for next meeting.....We will try to fix date as soon as possible.

25th February 2005, First Directory Published KV Directory Students (1215) Teachers (141)

From: "Prachait Saxena" <prachait_ngp@sancharnet.in>

Date: Fri Feb 25, 2005 1:17 am

Subject: **KV Directory Students (1215) Teachers (141)**

Hello Friends,

Woooooooooooooooo . (I am very much happy today)

After a long waiting, now its time to Release the Ever **First Directory of Kendiya Vidyalaya Ex-Students and Teacher** In the directory we have 1215 Students Name and Information with 141 Teachers Information.

Started way back in year **2000 on Dec 27, 2000 by Amit Joshi (1996 Batch) We initiated it and having 175 + active members on our Yahoo Board.** We come up with an Idea for uniting many more friends, and we started our Alumni Website <http://www.kvvsn.com> in **January 2005.**

With a continuous efforts of the team which is having more than 10 members working, we started the collection of Names & Details of Teachers and Students.

Today we have a database of 1215 Students and 141 Teachers from a long back of **1968 Pass out to 2003.** Now, we are releasing the directory. May be there can be some mistake, or missing in names. We all would like that you share the information with us at info@kvvsn.com so that others will also get to know about their old friends.

The Database are available in different formats at <http://www.kvvsn.com/downloads/> which will help you, to fine the Friends Batch wise, Section Wise and City Wise (Alphabetic too)

One can check the date for the Latest Releases. You will be needing Acrobat Reader to read these files. We wish you will enjoy after seeing it, and many more will join hands with us.

26th February 2005, Appreciation comes as

From: Shashikant manikonda <manikond@gmail.com>

Date: Sat Feb 26, 2005 10:28 pm

Hi Prachait,

First time when someone (may be you) on the group mentioned about making a dedicated **website for the KVVSN, I did not believe that it would materialize so soon.** In fact, I thought it was just another thought that would fadeaway with time.

I really don't know how much time and effort you put into making the KVVSN website and then the database. Share with us some information(both the technical and non-tec) about making and maintaining this website. From the little knowledge I have about the websites, I think even for a Tech guy like you this is not a trivial matter to make a good website in matter of weeks. Everyone in the group surely appreciate the time and effort you are giving to create and maintain this website. Let us know if we can contribute in some way.

From: bhaktiveda@yahoo.com

Date: Sun Mar 6, 2005 7:11 pm

Milind, Thank you, **yesterday Prachet and myself were discussing the same issue of funding for the Reunion, let get these lined up**

1. Let us bring a willing KVVSN to take the each areas of responsibility
 - a.Contact List and communication team
 - b.Fund Raising team.
 - c.Event Oraganization team

2. Let us setup some way to meet every weekend (Saturday morning is good for me to IM/Chat/WebCam whatever method of communication)
Milind, Prachait and Pranob let start planning for Dec 2005 Grand Reunion.
I am excited guys , let do it

From: Milind Choudhari <milindc999@yahoo.com>

Date: Sat Feb 26, 2005 10:15 pm

The team has done a lot of good work. They have taken pains and incurred expenses personally.
My congrats to the team.

Now its the job of all members to identify their friends who appear in the list and get their mail addresses. Also send feedback about their classmates whose name does not appear on the list.
Lets add to the effort to make it even grander.

From: Ankush Athale <athaleankush@yahoo.com>

Date: Fri Feb 25, 2005 9:43 am

Really amazing work manI am thankful to all who has worked on it and made it great success. Looking forward with pride.

Thanks and Regards
Ankush

From: "Ankur" <ankur@pspl.co.in>

Date: Sat Feb 26, 2005 6:14 pm

Thats wonderful work Prachait!!! Thanks a million!!!

23rd March 2005, Very Soon another Directory is released

From: "Prachait Saxena" <prachait_ngp@sancharnet.in>

Date: Wed Mar 23, 2005 11:06 am

Hi Releasing the Directoy having Directoy 1360+ Students 180+ Teachers
which can me downloaded from www.kvvsn.com and www.kvvsn.com/downloads/
Still Need More information

18th April 2005, First Every KV VSN Alumni Meeting Called by Prachait Saxena

From: "Prachait Saxena" <prachait_ngp@sancharnet.in>

Date: Thu Apr 14, 2005 10:59 pm

Subject: Meet on 18 Apr 7-9 PM NGP

Hello Friends,

We are organizing a meet on coming **Monday 18 Apr Between 7-9 PM At Nagpur**, for the Preliminary Discussion for June Re-Union at Nagpur

Location:

Above Prakash Opticals Dharampeth Nagpur

Contact Person: Dinesh Chhabra 09822200659/2546183

One can also call on the above no. at between 7-9 PM to give his contribution.

Kindly confirm your visit, So that we can make more arrangements.

Some Names of the People coming Madam Alva, Sudesh Sharma, Jayshree Naidu

Aparna Galgalikar Murli, Dinesh Chhabra, Sanjay Gandhi, Rohit Jain, Tarun Mehra, Prachait Saxena

Waiting for the confirmation from others.

And the Outcome of Meeting was

Report : April 18, 2005 Meet NGP,

Kendriya Vidyalaya [KV VSN] Vayusena Nagar, Nagpur Ex Student and Teachers Family
<http://www.kvvsn.com>

Hello Friends,

Howz going ?

As you all know, that we had a meet on 18 April 2005, of KV VSN Ex-Student in Nagpur And the agenda was: **Re-Union Plan in June and Dec 2005.**

We figure out some key points in the meet, which we would like to share with you all.

1. Formation of Association

- a. We decided to form a **KV VSN Alumni Club** under which we will perform our activities.
- b. The formation should complete on / before 28 April 2005. Currently, this will be a temporary body. We will have a permanent body at later stage.
- c. There will be school involvement also.
- d. We would like, that interested members kindly come forward for this formation and support us in this noble cause.

2. Visit to School (10-12 Members will be going)

- a. After the formation of body, we will be **visiting the school in 1st week of May**,
 - i. To get the database of students, of each class and section.
 - ii. By which we can further call them, (we are sure to get 98% WRONG addresses, we request you all to come forward to find and share the information of your lost batchmates.)
 - iii. For seeking the permission for doing the **Alumni, Reunion Meet** in School.(June and Dec 2005).

3. Information Collection

- a. Right now we are collecting the information, via on phone calling each and every person across the country as well as sending emails.
- b. There is a **website registration form** also available on <http://www.kvvsn.com> , to collect the details.
- c. In near future, we will have **Member Ship Form** to collect the details, available on the website <http://www.kvvsn.com/downloads/> , which one had to send us electronic document (we will take print out here) or paper document to our collection center in Nagpur along with membership fee deposited to Bank A/c or Demand Draft. The address is mentioned in the form itself.
- d. Kindly **fill all the details** in the form, like Name, Contact Number, Email Address and Postal Information, so that we can be in touch with you.
- e. Need Support to form a Committee for Information Collection and maintenance.
- f. **Info. Collection** is on going process and **will start from May 1, 2005**, and we have to complete as many as before May 15, 2005. It's a very short span of time. YES, and we are sure, friends will help us in collecting the details.

4. Member Ship Fee

- a. We all know, there is some cost associated to every such effort. We put forward the yearly member ship fees for this.
- b. The amount is yet not decided, we would like that you participate in the poll at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/kvvsn/surveys?id=1781350>] and give your valuable suggestion
- c. The above amount will be used by the association (if needed) like collection of information, invitations, greetings (via post), phone calls, advertisements, press and news release,
- d. Another cost will be for Alumni Meet in June or Dec 2005, which will per person, and depends on total cost.

The amount is yet not decided. We will let you know at later stage.

5. June Program Details (Preliminary Stage, Suggestions Needed)

- a. **Probable Dates are 26 June or 3 July Sundays**, (as per availability at school)
- b. 1 Day Eve Program between 5.30 – 9 PM followed by dinner
- c. **Inaugural day for the Alumni Club**
- d. More towards Nagpur, local level to be in touch with other.
- e. **400 + Students and 150 + Teacher** are in Nagpur likely to come with family.
- f. Gathering and sharing of experience
- g. Musical Program by Friends
- h. Games
- i. Etc. etc. etc. lots more to come. **Looking for Suggestions**

6. Dec 2005, Program Details

- a. Probable **Dates are 24, 25 and 26 December 2005**
 - b. **2-3 Full Day Program**
 - c. The Dates, as we have Holidays across the global, so every one can come and meet there friends.
 - d. **1600 + Students and 200 + Teacher** are expected from 1972 – 2005 pass out with family. We are sure; you will find some of your lost best friends in the club.
 - e. Gathering and sharing of experiences
 - f. Musical Program by Friends
 - g. Games
-

1st May 2005, Meeting with the Principal was a Success

From: "Prachait Saxena" <prachait_ngp@sancharnet.in>

Date: Sat Apr 30, 2005 7:40 pm

Subject: Meet 1 May Sunday 2005 (Imp) prachait

Hello Friends !

As you all know, we had a **meet with KV VSN Principal**, few days back. The response from her was in **Positive Way, for the co-ordination. Cheers.**

She had ask for the formal letter, about the same like, Programs, Association , Members Info, Supports, and How / School will co-ordinate with us.

In the above means, we called a meet on May 1 2005 to discuss and finalize the issues.

Agenda:

1. Drafting of letter, which we will give to KV VSN Principal
2. Formation of Temp. Association Working Body
3. Work Distribution and Processing about the Registration
4. Start of Member ship collection Rs 200/- Per head per year, from May 1,2005

Location:

Above Prakash Opticals Dharampeth Nagpur

Time : 10 AM Sharp - 11 AM

Contact Person: Dinesh Chhabra (09822200659/2546183) Tarun Mehra (09373103057)

We will be looking forward for your support. Kindly join us on May 1, at 10 AM

And the Reaction, which we had, was

3rd May 2005, Another Controversy Starts with the Formation of Association (Interesting Mails below to read as related to association formation)

From: "Taposh Banerjee" <btaposh_78@yahoo.com>

Date: Tue May 3, 2005 12:48 pm

Subject: Hi all

Hi all

This message is in **reply to the efforts being made by the moderator (Prachait)** and others to form an alumni association of KV VSN.

I am not sure how matured this group is to talk about money collection and also registering the the alumni association as a society etc.

I think before we can talk about doing great lot of things for the school, **we must have a good foundation. I am sure a yahoo group cannot be 'the' foundation.**

I think before asking contributions from all over the world for some good cause, one must prove that this group can do anything better for the school, than what Government of India has been doing.

The concept of providing better infrastructure to school and providing funds for loan; guiding students for future etc appears very bright.

But I think before giving a formal shape to this group, there should be some activities.

Prachait! plan for something for the school which can be done without money and then see whether people actually turn up for the same. Take **for example career counselling**: How about introducing this on a yahoo group itself. All those in school can be a member of this group and ask questions. All those who can answer would answer them.

My gut feeling is before we can plan of something to be done by money, we should reach the extreme of what can be done without money. I have no plans to offend or discourage anyone. Please correct me if there are already things happening and I have missed them.

Lets make it a discussion if people are interested. Best regards Taposh Banerjee

Reply

From: Ankush Athale <athaleankush@yahoo.com>

Date: Tue May 3, 2005 3:40 pm

Hi Topesh,

Good to see ur amazing idea of building the base what u call as foundation!! Before we launch our self to world.

But how we launch our self? **Do we have a banner under which we could say** , demand , place mamorandum or go to respective authorities to ask for development of providing better infrastructure to school and providing funds for loan; guiding students for future etc appears very bright.

Can we go to authorities saying we belong to "**KVVSN Yahoo Group**" so our motto is XYZ.....

If we don't have single hint what efforts being made by the moderator (Prachait) and others to form an alumni association of KVVSN. I would say **these people are investing there own money to build this group.** Money may be not important for them but the **man hours they spent working on it, is amazing. (I am s/w engg I do count it more)** And this has been done in very very short run.

There was no need for them to go on doing this things, giving us the platform to meet our old schoolmates. Or rather to know what, where, when our school started!!!

And correct me if I am wrong this group was not ment for "**Social Activities**". This can be our one motto only.

And what you refer for development and all cannot be done by few people nither our mails to authorities with signatures all members can do the trick of development. I repeat we need banner and formation of association is first step toward it. By this we can go to world telling about this and increase our strength. **Show our presence in KVVSN stag by doing getogthers, meeting, or exdending lectures from our side to the students.** I have fair idea **when u have thousand's u remain with some fifties at 11th hr.** And if u try to go with fifties how many left with god knows. (I think only moderator (Prachait) and others.)

I extend full support for formation of association of KVVSN. and for this money is required entity. I would say think pratical before saying anything. Debate is open.

RIN Ankush

From: "banerjee_shankar" <banerjee_shankar@yahoo.co.in>

Date: Tue May 3, 2005 7:31 pm

Dear ALL,

Great work by Prachait and the team. Lot of hard work and creativity has gone into making the website and the purpose of reuniting KVVSNites has been served. We all got to take it forward.

I am of the **opinion that a formal body like society is a must for smooth fuctioning** and carrying out all activities with transperancy. Only a registered body is recognized by all including School, Govt etc. I am sure all other Alumnis also work under a formal body. It has got all advantages and no drawbacks. A society is the best foundation.

Funds are a must for running any organization and what is being asked is very nominal.

Already Prachait and others have spent lot of money from their pocket and they deserve a good appreciation on this. We must all come forward and support. It is good to note that our teachers are also involved. Prachait and the team- Carry on!!. We are all with you.

From: tarun mehra <tarunrajmehra@yahoo.co.in>

Date: Tue May 3, 2005 9:43 pm

Dear Taposh,

U r absolutely right when u say that we (ie the alumini) should prove itself before asking for any money, but remember even for a small item like printing and stationary which i belive is the basic, needs money .we all are not only spending our valuable time but also our personal resources to the best we can to get the alumini working and are desprate for people like u to work with us so that **we can grow from leaps and bounds and the first step in this direction has been our own contribution of what i think is a meager amount to fulfill the very basic needs.** However u have a very valid point regds money and we want to keep it simple and transparent. Regards Tarun Mehra

From: Dr Ravindra Jharia <dravindra_jharia@yahoo.com>

Date: Wed May 4, 2005 9:20 am

Dear All ,

Let me clear at the very outset, that the group who are now coordinating the fromation of the Alumini, are all very well setteled persons in their own personal fields ,some of them are a name to reckon with amongst the citizens of the nagupr city. **Many of us are also founder members of so many a social organisations in the city, and we have contibuted on our own to start the organisations .**We , (the names one sees in the lists) who all have been striving for the last month to see the Alumini, are committed to form the organisation. The money collected would be utilised for the purposes as mentioned by Tarun, it will be the most transpatrent organisation, of like minded people, and if any one has doubts about the intergretry of the organisation, and the persons , should himself come in the forefront to lead, lest it creates any doubts in his/her minds as far as the money part is concerned. Please put ur hard labour, time . which is more valauble than just sitting and commenting.which this group is doing at present. We all are for the good of the association, bounded by the thread of a KVVSN . It was a fragile thread , scattered all over the world, we are trying to spin this thread into a strong bond of everlasting union.We can we will.

Dr Ravindra Jharia 1969 batch

From: Ram Nair <ramnair2001@yahoo.com>

Date: Wed May 4, 2005 10:20 am

Dr Jharia & others,

Let us all appreciate the efforts put in by Prachait and others. Most of us I am sure feel guilty to be sitting ring-side and not doing any leg-work. But rest assured you have our appreciation, support and backing for all the right decisions you have been making.

A few thoughts :

- 1) The Principal of KVVSN should be ex-officio member of the Association .
- 2) Prime objective of the association shuld be "to serve as a forum/meeting ground for kv vsn students and ex-students to raise / discuss / work on activities /issues /requirements which will benefit student community at large and in particular kvvsn students."
- 3) remittances from those who are abroad – I have seen Harsha's suggestion and I would take it a little further - why not collect within a country/region and then send it over.
- 4) In addition to the central body certain regional contact/office bearer might also be required to facilitate better contact and communication. Once again - great work guys , ley us not lose the steam! Regards

Ram Nair (1976 11th batch)

From: Harsha Sheorey <harshasheorey@yahoo.com.au>

Date: Wed May 4, 2005 5:19 pm

It was great to see all the discussion & debate about the formation of the association. That itself means it is a "healthy" group.

I would like to add only one thing - TRUST - you have to trust your 'leaders'. Hats off to the people (Prachiat etc) who have put their hands up and worked so hard to make this a successful group!! Just give this group a chance and I am sure they will prove themselves. I also support the newly proposed team of Ravindra, Dinesh, Prachait & Tarun etc.
Good luck all

From: Yogesh Puranik <ypuranik@gmail.com>

Date: Wed May 4, 2005 7:20 pm

Dear All,

I have been peeping-in on discussions being held on this group. Mixed feelings!!! Although I am very happy to have met my seniors and the Principal at KVVSN and after talking to them, I realised how noble the ideals are...I am still worried at some of the comments that have recently been aired by group members.

After our 2 O'Clock meet with the Principal, Mrs. Alka Sreenivas, I felt the group needs much more interaction amongst the members to finalize any Major Step. I would like to see many more people (who are in Nagpur) trying to meet and discuss the issue at hand. Its time to move from the typing desk and MEET on a regular basis. Ofcourse, those who cannot meet due to logistics, must be updated of every Agenda before any such meet, and also informed about the discussions that physically took place. Do not get me wrong, however, personal interaction will boost the activity ... thats what I believe.

As far as the work done till now, I must appreciate Prachait, Dr. Jhariya and the Moderators of this group, who have spent time and resources to develop this platform.

A positive and Pro-active interest must be developed and only with continued efforts will we be able to achieve what remains common between us ...A respect for the school, a feeling to do something for the school and ofcourse, to meet with dear friends from yester years.

The Idea of forming a registered body is wholeheartedly accepted by me, and I would like all the members to post their views, even sleeping members like myself ! One small step by the founders of this group will become the greatest step for the KVVNS alumni.
Hat's Off to all who have been active on this project.

Warm regards,
Yogesh Puranik

From: "keycomputer" <keycomputer@sify.com>

Date: Fri May 6, 2005 9:51 am

With due respect to everybodys feelings & suggesions I would like to mention that, Please look into the positive side of the work done by present temporary body & associates without any personal gain. We expect others with good working capacity & time to spend some time with present initiators of this movement to unite all of us & make it strong. Just discussing on mail is not going to solve the problem but certainly if somebody receives these number of mails per day, he will leave or get his name deleted from this group .

Please try to understand that **everybody is really busy in his own Business & Life.** Do not make this task of getting united so complicated.

We met the Principal & we are assured of every help from her. Things have become more easy after her assurance.

If you all feel be can have one meeting at some location to discuss your suggesions & can be implimented if required & approved.

If you have any suggestion pl mail it to concern & not on group. Only thos points which needs discussions on urgent basis need to be put on group mails.

Please adhere to certain rules else it will be really painful to get it formed.

Regards

Vinod Verma (Dharampeth Nagpur)

KVVSN batch 1983

1st June 2005, Formal “Kendriya Vidyalaya Nagpur Alumni Association Formed”

With the wonderful efforts of Owners / Moderators and Coordinators who are working on this initiative from last 4 1/2 Years, at last we formed formal association on 1st June 2005.

When we look back in history, these are little statistics, which one should see.

25 Dec 2000				
25 Dec 2001	12 Months	365 Days * 24 Hours =	8760	
25 Dec 2002	12 Months	365 Days * 24 Hours =	8760	
25 Dec 2003	12 Months	365 Days * 24 Hours =	8760	
25 Dec 2004	12 Months	365 Days * 24 Hours =	8760	
25 January - May 2005	5 Months	151 Days * 24 Hours =	3624	
		4 Days * 24 Hours =	96	

Total Efforts of

4 1/2 Year 53 Months 1615 Days and 38760 Hours

We formed the Formal Association. Memorandum of “Kendriya Vidyalaya Nagpur Alumni Association “ is available at <http://www.kvvsn.com/downloads/>

Member Ship form and Other Details are available at <http://www.kvvsn.com/>