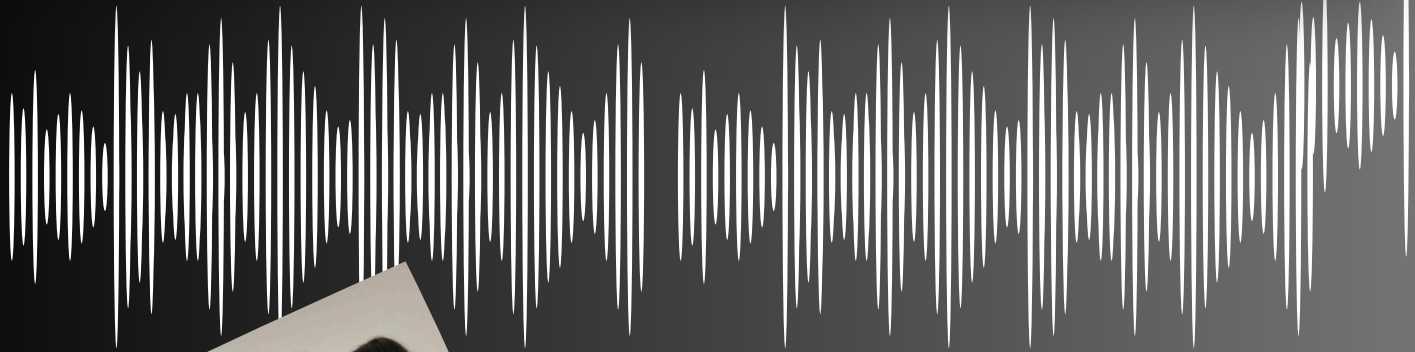


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Mr. Rampravesh Bhardwaj

Popularly known as Rampravesh Bhaiya



"What have been the biggest challenges of your life?"

"Working on holidays, especially Sundays, has taken a toll on my personal life. Yet, my unwavering commitment to my work has earned me the title of an "unappreciated hero" for all my tireless efforts around the school". (His dedication is so remarkable that he even had to cut his interview short when a teacher called for his assistance during the zero period!)

"Who has been a help to you recently?"

"Lata Ma'am appointed Rishabh Bhaiya as his assistant to make my workload more manageable and efficient. Before having help, I was constantly in demand, required by everyone everywhere, which placed immense pressure on me. With Rishabh Bhaiya's support, I can now focus on my tasks more effectively. Additionally, I also express my gratitude and acknowledgment for Janardhan Sir as well".

"What mistakes have you made that you look back upon now and feel accomplished?"

"Early in my career, I faced challenges and made several technical mistakes during functions, which understandably left the teachers frustrated and led to reprimands. However, over time, I have grown more dedicated and passionate about my work". Demonstrating his commitment to improvement, he added that "I even travelled to Mumbai to complete a specialized course on handling electrical equipment". His growth and hard work are evident in the quality of his work today, as we have all witnessed.

"Have we done our part in making you feel appreciated?"

Yes! When we asked him this question, he smiled at us and replied, "I absolutely love it when we appreciate me during the assemblies. In fact, that's what truly motivates me to keep giving my best. I feel valued and respected for my hard work and dedication. I feel connected, knowing my efforts are noticed and everyone supports me which makes all the hard work worthwhile".



Mrs. Kunjumol

In-Charge at Infirmary

"Please Introduce Yourself."

"My name is Kunjumol. I am from Kerala. I have been working in this school for the past 3 years. I am from the medical faculty."

"How much experience do you have in this field?"

"I completed 12th grade (10+2) and took up nursing as a career. I have worked in this field for more than 30 years."

"What brought you into this profession?"

"I did not plan on taking up nursing/medical. I wanted to be a teacher but my friend insisted on me joining this profession. I initially hated it but later I realized I like interacting with children and providing services. I would have never been here if it wasn't for peer pressure."

"How do you know when a child is faking an injury or pretending to be sick?"

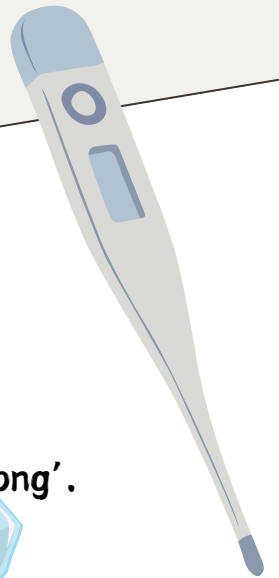
'It comes with experience. Sometimes it's easy to judge when a child is pretending, usually to miss a class or a period. My intuition is pretty strong'.

"How many students come each day?"

About 120-140 students every day. The highest number of students I've had is 164 students. It is very rare to get 50 students or below.

"What do you plan on doing after your retirement?"

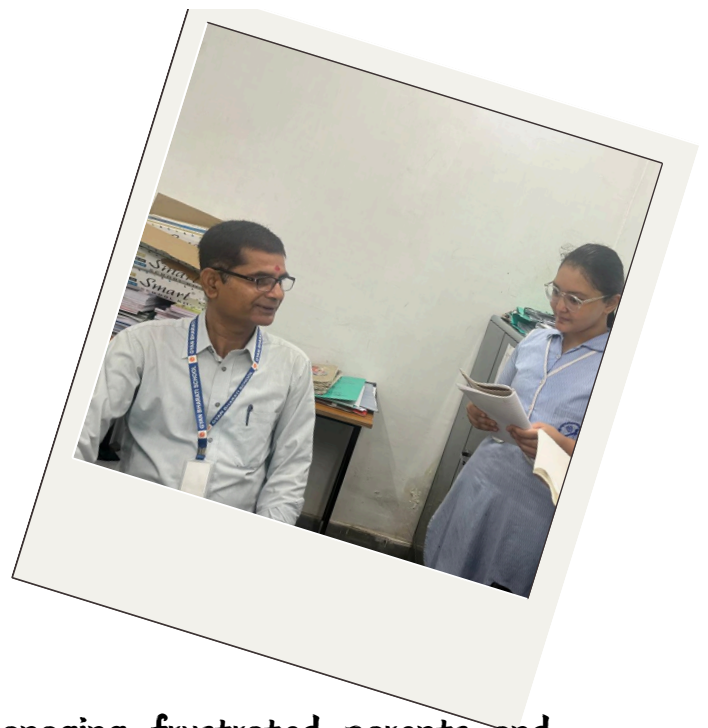
I plan to return to Kerala after a while. There are some hobbies which I would want to pursue such as singing.



Mr. Jha



Transport In-Charge and Data Collector
@GBS



"Sir, what are your responsibilities?"

"I have multiple responsibilities, including managing frustrated parents and ensuring that all children traveling by bus reach their destinations safely. As the transport in-charge, I make sure that the school-affiliated transports arrive on time and that no student or teacher faces any harm. Additionally, I serve as the school's data handler and collector, ensuring that all data is securely stored and remains organized without any errors."

**"Respected sir, do you believe you can improve your work?
How so?"**

"Yes, I believe I can always improve because I firmly believe that there is always room for growth, especially in one's work. Discipline and maintaining a proper balance between my school responsibilities and personal life play a significant role in this. I find peace in my work knowing that my family is safe and healthy, which motivates me to perform even better."

**"How long have you been a part of the Gyan Bharati family?
Do you enjoy it?"**

"I have been a part of the Gyan Bharti family for about 7 years. January 21st, 2004 to be exact. Indeed, so far, I have been having a blast working with all of the staff members. Gyan Bharati feels like my second home. A place where I can be myself and surround myself with different kinds of people".

What is your educational background, sir?

"I have studied up to the twelfth grade after which I started to look for a job to support my family".

Sir, what would you have done had you not got this job?

"I would have tried for a job elsewhere but I am truly grateful knowing that I have a job here and not anywhere else. The people, students, staff, and everyone as a whole mean a lot to me and as a member of Gyan Bharati, I'll make sure to give everyone a lovely experience under my protection".

Mr. Ghanshyam

All-rounder of GBS!



"Since when have you been working here?"

"I joined on the 4th of July. I still remember it was a Monday. I have been working here for about 40 years".

"Why did you join Gyan Bharati school?"

"I joined Gyan Bharati School because I needed a permanent and stable job. It felt more secure to have a fixed position rather than constantly shifting jobs. Before this, I worked at a soap factory in Allahabad (now Prayagraj), but the work there was disorganized and lacked stability. When the school was newly established, it needed staff, and I saw an opportunity for better working conditions and a more secure future for myself and my family.

I have two sons, both of whom graduated from Gyan Bharati. As staff, we have worked tirelessly to build the school's name and reputation to what it is today. I feel a deep sense of respect and belonging here, as everyone treats me like family. I have also been recognized multiple times for my dedication, including being rewarded for full attendance."

"What are your expectations from the children in this school?"

"I hope the children focus on their studies and work hard to build a strong foundation for their future. It's important that they avoid distractions, respect their elders, support their peers, and think seriously about the paths they wish to take. My wish is for them to grow into decent human beings, find success, and achieve great things in life. We will always be here to guide and support them whenever needed. It warms my heart that even children who are now in college still visit me—it shows the bond we share."

"What do you despise?"

"I strongly despise cheating and fraud. I firmly believe that honesty and truthfulness should always be the guiding principles in life, rather than resorting to lies. Many people think that money is everything, but it holds no real value if you lack respect and dignity in the eyes of others."

"Can you please specify your responsibilities?"

"I don't have a specific job—just write 'all-rounder' in your notebook. I handle reception duties, assist students whenever they need help, and guide parents to the Principal's office."





Mr. Gopal Dutt Pandey



Our Beloved Pandey Ji!



"Good morning respected Sir. Please introduce yourself."

"My name is Gopal Dutt Pandey, I have been working at Gyan Bharati School for the last 34 years and 6 months. I joined Gyan Bharati in 1989. Currently, I work as a science activity teacher and biology lab in charge of the school."

"What are your qualifications?"

"I have completed my Master's in Accountancy and Economics and have completed a course in the Chinese language."

"What are your other interests?"

"I have an interest in Science as well as in Economics"

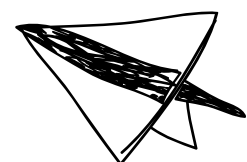
"Could you describe your job to us?"

"I have taught Business Studies to class 11 students and guided them through Biology experiments, ensuring they understood the procedures and had all the necessary materials. I also served as the transport in-charge of the school for 8 months. In 2016, I had the opportunity to check the CBSE board exams. Additionally, I occasionally contribute to the competitions hosted by our school."



"Do you enjoy being part of Gyan Bharati School?"

"Yes, of course. I love being part of the school and learning new things. I've had the opportunity to impart knowledge to many students and also gained a deeper understanding of their behavior. My experience working at this school has been filled with enriching experiences."



Mrs. Reena



Extraordinarily Hardworking Sweeper
@GBS



"What's your occupation, do you like it?"

"I work as a sweeper here and I love to clean the surfaces!"

"Since when have you been working in Gyan Bharati School?"

"I've been working here for 2 years and 6 months."

"What challenges do you face?"

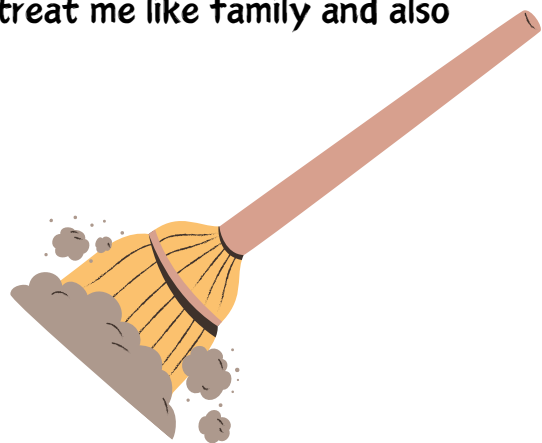
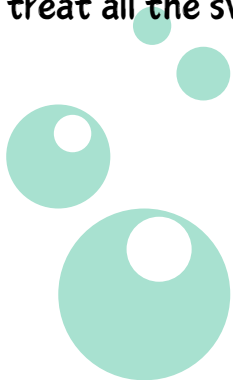
"I have not faced any such challenge while working here. Everyone is so nice to me and all the children are loving."

"What are your qualifications?"

"I studied till the 12th standard and then got married into a middle-class family. Although I had the desire to continue my studies, personal family issues prevented me from reaching that goal. Given the financial challenges in my family, I even considered working as a sweeper to support us."

"Do people talk to you politely here?"

"Each and every teacher is polite to me. They treat me like family and also treat all the sweepers equally."



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