

## DELHI PUBLIC SCHOOL SIDDHARTH VIHAR

(under the aegis of DPS Society, East of Kailash)

## From the Principal's Desk

Dear Learners,

Each one of you holds within a spark—a dream that can illuminate the skies. But dreams alone don't build destinies. It is **hard work**, **grit**, **resilience**, **and above all**, **discipline**, that truly propel you beyond limits.

The extraordinary journey of **Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla**, the first Indian to pilot a mission to the International Space Station (ISS), is a shining example of what

happens when perseverance meets purpose. Though not an alumnus of our school, his life is a living textbook of values

we wish you to embody.
From a young age,
Shubhanshu displayed
relentless dedication.

to his goal of serving the nation.



His path was not paved with ease—it was forged in the fires of challenge, sacrifice, and sheer determination.

One remarkable incident speaks volumes about his discipline and priorities. While the world around him celebrated his sister's wedding—a moment of great familial joy—Shubhanshu remained focused. He appeared for the National Defence Academy (NDA) entrance exam on the very day of the wedding. This wasn't a show of indifference—it was the mark of a mind determined to chase purpose without distraction. That moment reflected the discipline which would one day help him reach for the stars—literally.

Grit, for Shubhanshu, meant rising every time he fell, never letting failure or fatigue blur his vision.

Resilience meant enduring the rigorous training of the Indian Air Force and braving countless challenges—mental, physical, and emotional. His story tells us that the road to greatness is never easy, but always worth it.



As students, let this be a lesson for all of us. No ambition is too big when met with hard work. No dream too distant when you walk the path with courage and character.

Let's promise ourselves today:

- To show up even on hard days.
- To remain consistent even when distracted.
- To stay humble in success and strong in setbacks.
- To treat discipline not as a restriction, but as a ladder to rise higher.

Remember, wings don't make you fly—your spirit does. And like Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla, you too can touch the skies—and go even beyond!

With pride and belief in each of you,

Warm regards,
Ms. Vandana Midha
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