

## **INDIAN AIR FORCE SCHOOLS**

### **Air Force Bal Bharati School**

Air Force Bal Bharati School (AFBBS) was started by the Indian Air Force Educational and Cultural Society with the aim of meeting the educational aspirations of children of Air Force Personnel posted to the National Capital Region. AFBBS made a humble beginning, as a Primary school, on 15th July 1955 with an initial strength of 116 students and 6 members of the staff. The school was then housed in war time barracks. Gradually, the painstaking efforts of the staff and the Management of AFBBS resulted in the School developing into one of the premier schools of Delhi.

By 1974 it had grown into a full-fledged Senior Secondary School offering educational facilities to over 3300 students from diverse backgrounds. Today, AFBBS functions under the aegis of Indian Air Force Educational and Cultural Society as a recognized, unaided private school. The school is affiliated to Central Board of Secondary Education, New Delhi and offers educational facilities under 10+2 scheme of education. It also complies with the rules and regulations as prescribed in Delhi School Education Act and Rules-1973.

### **Motto of School**

In 1995 AFBBS was judged the Best School in Delhi. AFBBS achieved another major milestone in 2007 when it received **ISO 9001-2000 certification**, confirming its commitment to excellence.

"Education", said Aristotle, "**is the creation of a sound mind in a sound body**". It encompasses in itself the all round development of an individual. In a world where the boundaries are shrinking rapidly due to rapid advancement in technology, the children need to be equipped with an analytical mind, broad outlook and a healthy body. Therefore, in keeping with its Motto "Soar to Achieve", AFBBS aims to provide holistic education to help every individual child achieve his or her true potential.

### **Air Force Golden Jubilee Institute (AFGJI)**

Air Force Golden Jubilee Institute, situated at Subroto Park, Delhi Cantonment is one of the leading public schools run by Indian Air Force Educational and Cultural Society.

Initially in the year 1985, it started as a school only for the mentally retarded children but subsequently it was felt that an integrated Institution was a better option, which would provide the mentally handicapped children, an opportunity of receiving education in the atmosphere of a normal school.

This double pronged concept served the purpose of inculcating values of compassion, harmony, comradeship among the students and also created an opportunity for education to the children with special needs and successfully gave shape to the unique idea of imparting education to the intellectually deprived in an integrated school alongwith the mainstream of normal children. The school has been imparting integrated education, since the year 1986.

### **The Air Force School**

The Air Force School (TAFS) was established in temporary wartime hutments at Wellington Camp, Club Road, New Delhi on 18 July 1955 with the aim of providing comprehensive modern education to children of personnel of the Indian Air Force. In May 1967, the school shifted to its present Aravali Campus at Subroto Park, Delhi Cantt. The school celebrated its Silver Jubilee in 1980.

The School is situated on the Aravali ridge - amidst picturesque surroundings - lined by rows of majestic Eucalyptus and Ashoka trees. In the 15 acre area of the school, there are numerous varieties of Bougainvillea, ranging from the common Pink to the rare lovely Mary Palmer which blossom throughout the year. Although the school was established primarily for the benefit of children belonging to the IAF personnel, it has always been open to wards of Army and Navy personnel as well as to Civilians. Thereby it satisfies a long felt need of the Air Force personnel and simultaneously provides quality education to a much wider spectrum of children, from all over the country.

The Air Force School is a co-educational public school with boarding facilities for boys of classes VI to XII. The school is affiliated to the Central Board of Secondary Education and is a member of the National Progressive Schools Conference (NPSC). The school has been declared ISO certified in the year 2007.