

BESANT ARUNDALE SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

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Prospectus
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FOUNDER



Smt. RUKMINI DEVI
(1904 – 1986)

There is nothing greater in life than inspiration. If you can inspire people, you are really fulfilling life and the fulfilling of life is our goal

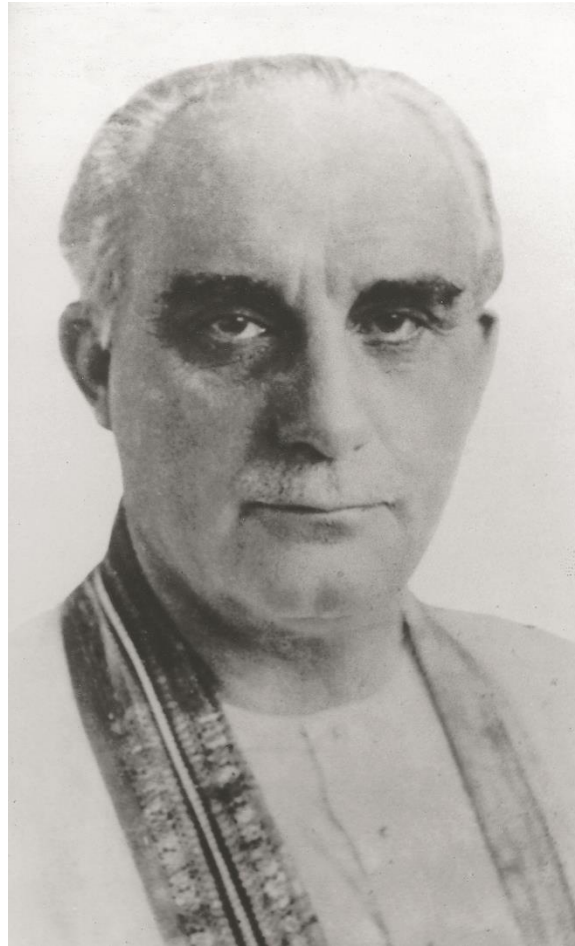
Smt.Rukmini Devi



Dr. ANNIE BESANT
(1847–1933)

“Be firm. Be strong, be self controlled; your feet are on the Rock of Ages and beyond the drifting clouds, shines the STAR”

Dr. Annie Besant



Dr. G.S. ARUNDALE
(1875 – 1945)

If education were for living and not merely for livelihood, if education is so much for soul as it is supposed to be for the mind, then indeed would the younger generation be well-equipped for life.

Dr. G.S. Arundale

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B.A.S.S. SCHOOL

A BREIF HISTORY OF THE SCHOOL

Smt. Rukmini Devi Arundale's greatest contribution to this country is Kalakshetra. Kalakshetra is synonymous with the quintessence of Indian art and culture. No other school provides its students with an opportunity to learn arts part-time, from an institution of such eminence. It is in this very important respect that Besant Arundale Senior Secondary School stands unique in the country.

Besant Arundale Senior Secondary School was started by Smt. Rukmini Devi Arundale as an adjunct to Kalakshetra in the year 1973, to cater to the needs of young students all over the country. In starting this school, Smt. Rukmini Devi had the twin objectives of providing students with an opportunity to receive education along with an exposure to arts viz Carnatic Music, Bharatanatyam and Painting at Kalakshetra. Her objectives arose from the basic belief that a routine education by itself is insufficient to develop the personality of a child. An exposure to arts is essential for the development of a well rounded personality. During these 48 years of long existence, hundreds of students have been greatly benefitted from the cultural exposure to the finest traditions of Indian Fine Arts, accompanied by good academic training.

Besant Arundale Senior Secondary School is affiliated to the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE), New Delhi. The medium of instruction is English. The other languages offered in the curriculum are Tamil, Hindi and Sanskrit.

All India Senior School Certificate Examination (XII) and All India Secondary School Examination (X) of CBSE, New Delhi, are recognized by all Universities and Boards in India.

AIMS & OBJECTIVES OF THE SCHOOL

- To provide a carefully planned and balanced educational framework that promotes holistic development of children with due emphasis on personal character moral discipline and social responsibility
- To create a climate of openness where every child feels happy and secure with a meaningful staff – student interaction
- To offer a very personalized system of education in which the individuality of every child is respected.
- To devise and follow a curriculum that emphasizes traditional values of Indian Culture and Promotes Patriotism, Devotion to God, Community Service, Universality of all religions and the Spirit of tolerance in every child.
- To promote a variety of interests, talents and skills in children through extra-curricular activities which enable them to contribute to the rich cultural heritage of the country and world.

SUBJECTS OFFERED AT VARIOUS LEVELS

Montessori	:	Exercises of Practical life, Sensorial, Language, Mathematics and Culture
I Std – V Std	:	English, Mathematics, Environmental Studies, Languages (Hindi & Tamil), Games, Art, Music, Value Education, G.K
VI std – VIII std	:	English, Mathematics, Science, Social Science, Languages -Tamil & Hindi, III Language (for class VIII only) – Tamil /Hindi, Games, Art, Music, Dance, Value Education.
IX & X std	:	English, Mathematics, Science, Social Science, Language – Tamil/Hindi/Sanskrit, Information Technology (Optional) Work Experience (Computer Science) Art, Dance, Music, Value Education, Physical & Health education.
XI & XII std.		
Languages offered:		1. English Core (Mandatory) 2. Tamil / Hindi / Sanskrit
<u>Subjects Offered</u>		
Science	:	Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry , Biology / Computer Science.
Commerce	:	Accountancy, Business Studies, Mathematics / History & Computer Science / Economics.
Fine Arts	:	Dance – Bharatnatyam, Music - Carnatic Vocal, Painting & History.
Humanities	:	Sociology, Political Science, History & Economics
Common for all Streams	:	Physical Education, Work experience and General Studies

Dress Code

Montessori Section: No uniform

Mondays and other official functions:

Girls : Purple full Skirt, golden yellow blouse (Golden Yellow cotton half saree VIII std. onwards)

Boys : White Pyjama and White Kurtha with full sleeves.

On all other days : As prescribed by the school

Uniform to be stitched as per instructions given by the school.

SPECIAL FEATURES OF THE SCHOOL

- **Class Strength:** The policy of the school is to restrict the strength in each class to 35 in order to ensure that students get maximum personal attention.
- **Faculty:** Only highly qualified and experienced staff are inducted into service. They are paid scales of pay prescribed by the CBSE.
- **Dance and Music:** Part time classes offered within the school campus after school hours by faculty of RDCFA- Kalakshetra Foundation.
- **Medical Inspection:** Every pupil will undergo free medical examination at least once a year. In those cases where follow up action is necessary the school authorities will keep the parents informed.
- **Sports and Games:** The School playground is open to the students for games and sports. Coaching is given for Throw ball, Volleyball, Kho – Kho, Tennikoit and Basketball.
- **Library:** The School has a well stocked library and a qualified librarian. Students can read / borrow books during their library period as well as during lunch break on all working days.
- **Covid-19** precautionary moves implemented by the school for the coming academic year 2021-22, Standard Operating Procedures as prescribed by the Government is being followed.

PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

Every parent (Father/Mother/Guardian) will be a member of the parent Teacher Association. Membership fee is Rs.250/-per annum.

ADMISSIONS

A) Age limit for admission:

1. Montessori I : 2 years and 6 months on 1st June
 2. Montessori II : 3 years and 6 months on 1st June
 3. Montessori III : 4 years and 6 months on 1st June
 4. 1st std. : The age limit should be 5+ years as on 1st June
5. Similarly the students should fulfill the corresponding age requirements for admission to the other classes.
- B) **Admission Test:** Admission will be given only on the basis of performance of the child in the entrance test in English and Mathematics which will be based on the exit level of the class, preceding the one to which admission is sought.
- C) **Rules of Admission:** At the time of admission, the following documents are to be submitted.

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| 1. Birth Certificate (Copy) | 5. Mark sheet (original) |
| 2. Transfer Certificate (Original) | 6. Migration Certificate (Applicable for XI in Original) |
| 3. Community Certificate (Copy) | 7. Aadhar Card (Copy) |
| 4. Character and Conduct Certificate (original) | |

D) Fees once paid will not be refunded under any circumstances

B.C.C.Hostel

B.C.C. Hostel started in the year 1934 under the direct supervision of Smt. Seshamma, Smt.Rukmini Devi's mother, serves as a second home to outstation children who require hostel facility. Nestled in the sprawling Kalakshetra campus, its serene and beautiful ambience works as tonic to the creative urges of the children. In keeping with the philosophy of Kalakshetra, the hostel is steeped in Indian Culture.

The hostel provides accommodation for students from the age of eight for girl students. Students are grouped according to age to facilitate combined study, coaching and tutoring.

The Superintendent of the B.C.C.Hostel, aided by experienced wardens, runs the hostel and guides the children.

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