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# New schools storm into merit list statewide

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Kolkata: The results threw up some big surprises on Friday, with many new and lesser known schools making it to the top 10 on Bengal merit list. While prominent schools like La Martiniere for Boys, Don Bosco School and Vivekananda Mission School repeated their good show, schools like Bhowanipur Gujarati Education Society

School, National English School, St Joan's School and St Mary's School, Howrah, hogged the limelight with stellar results.

In ICSE, Medha Gangopadhyay and Shreya Agarwal catapulted their school - St Joan's School - to the merit list. Sayantan Pradhan from St Mary's Convent School, Howrah, Unnati Jain from DPS Megacity and Tushita Basak from Loreto Day School, Elliot Road, also made their schools proud by securing ranks.

The trend was similar in ISC as well. St Joseph's College (school deptt) Darjeeling and National English School were the new entrants. Mrinal Pradhan from the Darjeeling school scored a stunning 98.75%. Adrija Bhowmick from GD Birla Centre for Education, Ketul Mehta and Kavita Desai from Bhowanipur Gujarati Education Society School secured the third rank with the same score.

"This is the first time we have bagged state rank. The teachers have put in a lot of effort and the result reflects that," Debjani Ghosh, principal of St Joan's School.

