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Galaxia 2017

Going beyond the Horizon....

*A day so divine, gleam and shine,
Passion today spoke with heart
Dedication moulded the spirit hard,
Beyond the horizon we fly,
no limits just the sky.*

Continuing this beautiful journey which began last year, the school witnessed yet another voyage embellished with the jewels of immense creativity and aesthetic insight. It was one of those moments when the actual spirit of our institution and the core essence of Bal Bhavan family lit the whole atmosphere. Galaxia 2017 was not merely an event rather an exhibit of the pride of our beloved founder chairman sir, Sh. G.C Lagan. He was an iron man, whose faith and belief was clear enough to prove that even a boat could dare to sail in an ocean.

The event was marked with the presence of Sh. Kulanand Joshi (District Magistrate of East Delhi), who made this day even more auspicious with his presence. It added yet another dimension to the competitions scheduled for the day and filled the participants with pride of being provided with a platform such as that.

This event which marked the beautiful spirit of team work represented a compendium of unique ideas which included yet another range of events. Stretching from the glory of the poets to the creations of the artists, we saw soothing steps dancing upon the rhythm of divine music. The atmosphere made the heart to go with the classical strokes stretched on the canvas of the Galaxia. The activities in this sense touched upon the paradigms of every unique aspect of the competitors. The presence of the experts of every field in the panel of judges glorified the level of the competition and proved to supply the required spark and inspiration in the event.

The result declaration was yet another phase of cherishing the conclusive experience. Although our school decided to be the host but not the competitor, the judges found the performances absolutely pleasing and impressive. The participating schools for sure were able to mark their presence and get away with the winning prizes. The event was able to touch the divine spirit which the school believes in extending through the principle we stand upon

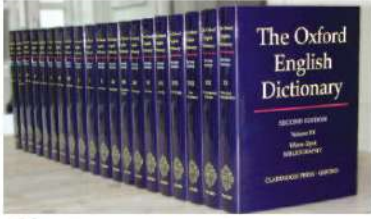
"GOODNESS BEFORE GREATNESS"
the saga continues.....



Merry **christmas!**

India and The World

Oxford to have Hindi word of the year for the first time



Oxford Dictionaries will have a Hindi word of the year for 2017. It will be a word or expression that has attracted a great deal of interest this year. The chosen word should reflect the ethos, mood, or preoccupations of the year. It does not necessarily have to be a new word, but should be one that is strongly linked somehow to 2017. The word of the year will be announced in January 2018. Oxford Dictionaries has called on Hindi speakers across the country to help choose the word. Submissions need to be made before November 29. Following the public suggestions, the word will be chosen by the Hindi Dictionaries team at Oxford University Press (OUP) along with an advisory panel of language experts who each bring a unique perspective.

Govt. committed to eliminate Child Labour : Maneka Gandhi



Maneka Gandhi, Minister for Women and Child Development, underlined the government's commitment to eliminate child labour at the plenary session of a global conference at Buenos Aires, Argentina. She highlighted her government's efforts to fight child labour through the amendments to the Child Labour (Prohibition & Regulation) Amendment Act, 2016, as well as the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015. On the Sustained Eradication of Child Labour, the WCD minister also described NGO Childline, which offers a telephone helpline for missing children, as the world's biggest facility for rescue of children in distressed situation.

Mission Indradhanush praised for immunising 2.55 crore children



Mission Indradhanush recently earned rich praise in a Johns Hopkins report on global diarrhoea and pneumonia. This mission aimed to reach out to children left out of the routine immunisation exercise. The numbers it notched up were impressive enough for Prime Minister Narendra Modi to revise the 90 per cent coverage target deadline from 2020 to 2018 in a progress review meeting in May.

Four phases of Mission Indradhanush have been completed in which 2.55 crore children and 68.7 lakh pregnant women have been vaccinated across the country. Compare this with an annual birth cohort of 2.63 crore children and routine immunisation that covers less than 2 crore every year. The mission was led by former health secretary CK Mishra.

In the fuel and power segment, inflation rose to 10.52 per cent, as against 9.01 per cent in September. Fuel inflation has remained high for the past three months as petrol and diesel prices continued to rule high tracking global crude oil rates.

Ganga Kumari becomes first transgender to be appointed in Rajasthan Police

Ganga Kumari was selected in the police recruitment examination for constables in 2013. She could have become the country's first transgender to join the police force, but fate had other plans for 24-year-old Ganga Kumari. Following a protracted two-year battle in the Rajasthan High Court, Kumari became the first transgender to be inducted into Rajasthan Police. The Rajasthan High Court had directed the police department to appoint Ganga Kumari as a constable, after officials denied her a post due to her gender and reported lack of clarity of rules in 2015. Terming it a case of "gender bias", Justice Dinesh Mehta asked the force to appoint Kumari within six weeks from the date of the order along with the notional benefits from year 2015.



Indian Women's Hockey Team wins 2017 Asia Cup



Indian Women's Hockey Team created history as they beat China in a tense shootout to lift the Women's Asia Cup 2017 after 13 years & qualify for next year's Women's World Cup as Continental Champions here at Kakamigahara Kawasaki Stadium in Japan. It was India skipper Rani who scored the winning goal for India while Savita made a great save in sudden death to ensure India the 5-4 score in penalty shootout. It is India's second Women's Asia Cup title and first one was won in 2004.

Power Minister launches 'Saubhagya' web-portal to monitor household electrification

Pradhan Mantri Sahaj Bijli Har Ghar Yojana 'Saubhagya' web portal, a platform for monitoring household electrification progress was launched by R.K. Singh, Minister of State for Power and New & Renewable Energy. It would disseminate information on household electrification status (state, district, village-wise), household progress on live basis, state-wise target as compared to achievement and monthly electrification progress. This would make paying of electricity bills viable for the poor, reduce power losses and increase compliance in paying electricity bills.

Audrey Azoulay appointed as Director-General of UNESCO

The General Conference of UNESCO appointed Audrey Azoulay (France) to the post of Director-General of the Organization. Ms Azoulay was nominated to take the place of outgoing Director-General Irina Bokova (Bulgaria) by UNESCO's Executive Board. Born in 1972, Ms Azoulay was France's Minister of Culture and Communication from February 2016 to May 2017. She has occupied senior positions in France's public broadcasting sector. Ms Azoulay is the 11th Director-General of UNESCO and the second woman to occupy this position.



Delhi Air Pollution : BS-VI Grade Auto Fuels to be Introduced Ahead of Schedule

The Government of India has been working to improve the air quality in the country and while issues like fog and smog have been faced not only in Delhi but other cities across the country, The Petroleum Ministry in consultation with Public Oil Marketing Companies has decided to bring forward the date of BS-VI grade auto fuels in NCT of Delhi with effect from April 1, 2018 instead of April 1, 2020. In fact, Petroleum Ministry OMCs have also been asked to examine the possibility of introduction of BS-VI auto fuels in the whole of NCR area from April 1, 2019.

Pankaj Advani wins 17th World Billiards Championship title



Pankaj Advani clinched his 17th world title after he thrashed his arch-rival Mike Russell of England in the IBSF World Billiards Championship in Doha.

Saina Nehwal, HS Prannoy win national titles



The 82nd Senior National Badminton Championships 2017 witnessed a grandeur final between two Olympic medalists P.V. Sindhu and Saina Nehwal. Saina Nehwal beat PV Sindhu 21-17, 27-25 to lift her third National Badminton Championship title. Saina maintained the record of winning the nationals. Second seed HS Prannoy, who achieved a career-best World No. 11 ranking last week, saw off top seed World No 2 Kidambi Srikanth 21-15, 16-21, 21-7 in a 49-minute battle to win the men's singles title in the 82nd edition of the tournament.

Mary Kom strikes gold at Asian Women's Boxing Championships

Indian sporting legend M.C. Mary Kom (48kg) clinched an unprecedented fifth gold medal at the ASBC Asian Confederation women's boxing championships. Up against North Korea's Kim Hyang Mi, the five-time World champion and Olympic bronze-medallist prevailed in a unanimous 5-0 verdict to add another medal to her already crowded cabinet. This was Mary Kom's first international gold medal since the 2014 Asian Games and her first medal in over a year. Mary Kom's previous gold medals had come in 2003, 2005, 2010 and 2012.



Shubhangi Swaroop, the first woman pilot of Indian Navy



In a historic moment, the Indian Navy inducted Shubhangi Swaroop as its first-ever woman pilot. Shubhangi and three other women officers were among the 328 midshipmen and cadets who had passed out of the Ezhimala Naval Academy in Kerala. While Shubhangi, a native of Uttar Pradesh, will soon be flying Maritime Reconnaissance aircraft, the three other women cadets are also all set to become a part of the Naval Armament Inspectorate (NAI), where no female officer has ever worked. Shubhangi, who is the daughter of a Naval commander Gyan Swaroop, will now be at the Air Force Academy in Hyderabad where she will undergo professional training along with the pilots of the Army, Navy and the Air Force. Successful completion of the training will make her the first woman pilot of the Indian Navy.

Voice Your Opinion

... it matters!!!

In the last edition, we invited your opinions on whether Kids' Reality Shows be Banned? Here are some of the excerpts from your opinions:

No doubt these shows provide fame, career options, way to earning, to show their talent in different fields but I think that on other side these shows put enormous pressure on small kids to perform well every time. It can create stress and mental pressure, it gives exposure to the adult world, pressure by parents and fear of rejection.

Childhood is the time of innocence, at this time they should focus on good education & health. These shows should limit the age when the child is able to understand its pros & cons and can manage the things maturely.

- Mrs. Tripti Anand, T.G.T Sanskrit

Only education is not necessary for development of brain. Kids should be allowed to perform in various reality shows. It helps them to gain confidence. It will help them to achieve a position in society which will make their parents as well as them proud. Reality shows provide a stage to showcase their talent & to show the world their qualities. Performing in reality shows help them to maintain a balance in their life.

- Jahanvi Bhadula

One of the greatest gifts a parent can give a child is to help them find their talents. Reality shows are playing an important role in life of children. These shows gave an opportunity to the talent on national and international level. But sometimes, it is dangerous for the health of children.

- Khushboo Malhotra, VIII-A

The present education system doesn't include other career options such as singing, dancing, acting, sports, etc. However, the reality shows close this loophole in the education system. Moreover, reality shows give opportunity to children to showcase their talents and to hone their skills. They also give a sense of purpose and direction to the children from a very young age.

- Soumyashree Biswal, VIII - A

Reality shows are not only the glorious platforms to discover and showcase the latent talent of children nevertheless also makes them hardworking, confident and passionate. They are at the pinnacle on these shows that every parent aspires towards. They are not just discovered or polished but are groomed to become a versatile artist who can perform on stage and captivate millions.

- Vansh, VII - B

It is a harsh reality that these shows have a lot of negative as well as negative impact on the children. Likewise, when they face any criticism, their attitude and confidence gets ruined. And it's too early for them to feel any of these emotions. Moreover, our budding flowers need to be loved and emboldened enough to traverse through rough patches.

- Pankaj Kumar, IX A

This Week's Question

Is India ready to be a Cashless Economy?

Indian government tried to increase cashless transactions through Direct Benefit Transfer Scheme, Jan Dhan accounts etc. Many state governments are working hard to spread the awareness of digital transactions. Also, the government rolled out incentives for going digital in financial transactions. It introduced daily and weekly lucky draws to encourage digital transactions. But even after so many efforts and the demonetization move, cash transactions are still the king. In the wake of all this, do you think that India is ready to be a cashless economy? Send us your views in 50-60 words latest by 19 December, at theschoolconnectbpsmv@gmail.com

THE VICTORY TRUMPET

Science Olympiad Foundation

SOF International General Knowledge Olympiad (Result Sheet)

S. No.	Class /Sec.	Name of the Student	Obtained Marks	School Rank	Zonal Rank	International Rank	Awards - Won International / Zonal / School Award
1	IIF	SHUBH PURWAR	32	1	10	130	Gifts Worth Rs. 1000/- + Medal of Distinction + Certificate of Distinction + Certificate of Zonal Excellence
2	IIG	CHITRIT RASTOGI	28	2	44	335	School Gold Medal + Participation Certificate
3	IIF	SWASTIKA	28	3	45	341	School Silver Medal + Participation Certificate
4	IIB	AAKANKSHA RAWAT	26	4	92	532	School Bronze Medal + Participation Certificate
5	IIID	RAKSHIT SAINI	28	1	6	270	Gifts Worth Rs. 1000/- + Medal of Distinction + Certificate of Distinction + Certificate of Zonal Excellence
6	IIID	SONAKSHI NAUDIYAL	23	2	70	694	School Gold Medal + Participation Certificate
7	IIIA	DIVYANSH PRATAP SINGH	21	3	118	893	School Silver Medal + Participation Certificate
8	IIIA	LAKSHITA RAJ	21	4	126	908	School Bronze Medal + Participation Certificate
9	IVG	KRISHAN KUMAR SINGH	25	1	53	498	School Gold Medal + Participation Certificate
10	IVA	AARUSH MISHRA	21	2	168	883	School Silver Medal + Participation Certificate
11	IVC	SOUMIL SHARMA	21	3	179	915	School Bronze Medal + Participation Certificate
12	VD	PRIYANSHU KUMAR PANDEY	36	1	11	435	Medal of Distinction + Certificate of Distinction + Certificate of Zonal Excellence
13	VF	ANSH SINGH	34	2	19	594	Medal of Distinction + Certificate of Distinction + Certificate of Zonal Excellence
14	VG	SHREYA BABBAR	30	3	77	1030	School Gold Medal + Participation Certificate
15	VC	AAYUSH GUPTA	29	4	100	1169	School Silver Medal + Participation Certificate
16	VC	SUMIT KANDPAL	27	5	171	1468	School Bronze Medal + Participation Certificate
17	VIA	SHARAN	32	1	18	702	Medal of Distinction + Certificate of Distinction + Certificate of Zonal Excellence
18	VIA	TANISHQ RAWAT	32	2	19	703	Medal of Distinction + Certificate of Distinction + Certificate of Zonal Excellence
19	VIA	SUBRAT PANDA	30	3	35	888	School Gold Medal + Participation Certificate
20	VIA	SHASHANK DHYANI	30	4	36	889	School Silver Medal + Participation Certificate
21	VIA	AADYA SRIVASTAVA	30	5	47	939	School Bronze Medal + Participation Certificate
22	VIIA	PRATYUSH ANAND	31	1	14	654	Medal of Distinction + Certificate of Distinction + Certificate of Zonal Excellence
23	VIIA	SAKSHI MOHAN	24	2	142	1568	School Gold Medal + Participation Certificate
24	VII B	DAKSH	23	3	154	1651	School Silver Medal + Participation Certificate
25	VII D	ANKIT KUMAR YADAV	23	4	166	1676	School Bronze Medal + Participation Certificate
26	VIIIA	SHIVANSH TUTEJA	29	1	52	1076	School Gold Medal + Participation Certificate
27	IXA	DIVYANSH SRIVASTAVA	29	1	40	920	School Gold Medal + Participation Certificate
28	IXA	JAI PANDEY	29	2	43	941	School Silver Medal + Participation Certificate
29	IXA	PRATYUSH CHANDRA JHA	27	3	84	1224	School Bronze Medal + Participation Certificate
30	XC	PARAS UPADHYAY	28	1	39	859	School Gold Medal + Participation Certificate
31	XA	TEJAS SHARMA	23	2	115	1412	School Silver Medal + Participation Certificate
32	XC	KUSHAGRA PATHAK	22	3	134	1529	School Bronze Medal + Participation Certificate

Inter-House Competition (17-11-2017)

Event	Winners	Class	Winner
Inter House Cricket Tournament Final (VI-VIII)	Jayant Diwaker	VIII E	Jagriti House
	Sahil Verma	VIII E	
	Rishab Semwal	VII B	
	Vaibhav Tiwari	VII E	
	Nikhil Sikarwar	VII E	
	Saurabh Dedha	VIII E	
Prerna House Vs Jagriti House	Aakash Mishra	VII B	Prerna House
	Kartik Goyal	VIII A	
	Pranay Rawat	VIII B	
	Lakshay Rawat	VIII B	
	Vaibhav Dwivedi	VIII B	
	Aryan Rawat	VIII C	
	Karthik Kanth	VIII B	
Kanishk	VII C		
Aditya	VIII D		

Event	Winners	Class	Winner
Inter House Cricket Match Final (IX-XII)	Jaidev Sharma	XIIC	Prerna House
	Rahul Verma	X E	
	Satvik Bhasin	XII A	
	Udbhav	IXD	
	Yash Sakral	XC	
	Aditya	IXF	
Prerna House Vs Pragati House	Pranav Bhatnagar	IX B	Prerna House
	Shivansh	IX B	
	Shiv Arora	IX C	
	Saurav Yadav	XI D	
	Deepak Gupta	XI C	
	Jatin Kumar Gupta	XII D	
	Varun Swamenathan	XI A	
	Spandan	IX C	

3rd Sh.G.C. Lagan Memorial Athletic Meet Result 2017



Category	Race	Position	Name	Class/Sec.
U-14	100 Meter	II	Aarna Ghosh	VI-A
U-14	400 Meter	II	Kanak Nagar	VI-D
U-14	800 Meter	II	Nachiketa Bhattacharya	VIII-B



Books Awarded to these students for their outstanding performance (Sachin Tendulkar's Autobiography)

Students Name	House	Class
Sahil Singh	Prerna	VI A
Pranay	Jagriti	VIII B
Sahil Verma	Jagriti	VIII E
Deepanshu	Nirman	VII E
Aman Bharti	Prerna	VII C
Akshat.S.Bisht	Prerna	VII B
Shivam Pokhreyal	Prerna	VIII A
Kushagra	Pragati	VI A
Jaidev Prerna	XII C	
Hritik. D	Jagriti	XII E
Rahul Verma	Prerna	X E
Shivang Joshi	Nirman	IX B
Aditya Sajwan	Nirman	IX C
Prasoon Mishra	Jagriti	XI D
Archit Arora	Jagriti	XI E
Sahil	Pragati	XII C



Target Ball National (Telengana) Category (Boys)

S.No.	Name of Student	Class/Sec.	Position
1.	Prakhar Rajput	XI-D	III

Target Ball National (Telengana) Category (Girls)

S.No.	Name of Student	Class/Sec.	Position
1	Deepanshi Tyagi	XI-E	III
2	Swekcha	XII-B	III

ANTI-POLLUTION PLANTS



Green Corner

Plants purify air, making them "Nature's life support system." Adding potted plants to a room has been shown to reduce the amount of air particulates.

With Delhi dealing with alarming and hazardous levels of pollution in the atmosphere, it's only natural for people to seek different ways to combat the situation. Sure, we've all made beelines for the nearest mask store or chemist and bought ourselves masks ranging from simple cloth ones to the more specific N95 to make sure we're as protected as possible from all the toxins and dust particles.

But another long-term and environment-friendly option is to bring home tubs of plants, specifically those that are known to purify the air more than others. Although houseplants may be intimidating to those with a "black thumb" or fear of commitment, it turns out that many plants are easy to care for but, such plants do exist and they're very easily available too. Below, we've pulled together a list of nine virtually-indestructible such houseplants you should consider bringing home as soon as possible.

ALOE VERA :

Great to keep at home since it absorbs the carbon dioxide, formaldehyde and carbon monoxide. Nine air purifiers can apparently be replaced by one Aloe vera plant. Bonus its gel is great for your skin too and helps wound healing !



FICUS ELASTICA :

This plant doesn't need a lot of light and you can maintain it effectively. It's quite effective in purifying the air of formaldehyde. But if you have pets or small children, then you may want to give this plant a miss since its leaves can be poisonous.



IVY :

This is a must-have. If you bring this plant home, it is said that within six hours it will remove 58 per cent of the faeces particles and 60 percent of the toxins in the air.



SPIDER PLANT :

This plant is particularly known for performing photosynthesis under minimal light. It is great in absorbing toxins such as formaldehyde, carbon monoxide, gasoline and styrene from the air. One plant is apparently enough to clean the air in a 200 sq. m space.



SNAKE PLANT :

Much like the spider plant, a snake plant is durable and can also perform photosynthesis under minimal light, making it an ideal indoor plant. It's a great option for a bedroom plant as it produces oxygen during the night.



PEACE LILIES :

It removes toxins such as formaldehyde and trichloroethylene from the air. According to a Nasa report, keeping 15-18 of these in a 500 sq. m area is enough to purify the air. This can also be kept in the bedroom, and it looks very pretty too!



So, without much delay, bring one of these home now!

A must watch-Movie Review

RUDY

Rudy is a 1993 American biographical sports film directed by David Anspaugh. It is not just a tale of a brave and determined, but the most inspiring movie in film history, and the greatest sports film ever made. It is an account of the life of Daniel "Rudy" Ruettiger, a kid with no money, no family support, dyslexia, average grades. He was too wimpy for football which further states that life can be pretty frustrating and when trying to break through a glass ceiling or a brick wall like Rudy did, it's tempting to want to give up. Nowadays people want things to happen fast, but Rudy's compelling story tells us that passion and perseverance can bring you a long way. This is a great film about going for your dreams and never giving up. A Must watch which apprises No matter who tells you that you can't do it, no matter how unlikely the chances are, no matter what, make sure you go for your dreams and do everything that you can to make them come true.



IMPORTANT DATES December

1st DECEMBER - World AIDS Day

Government and health officials, non-governmental organizations and individuals around the world observe the day, often with education on AIDS prevention and control. World AIDS Day was first conceived in August 1987 by James W. Bunn and Thomas Netter, two public information officers for the Global Programme on AIDS at the World Health Organization in Geneva, Switzerland

3rd DECEMBER - International Day of Persons with Disabilities

International Day of Persons with Disabilities (December 3) is an international observance promoted by the United Nations since 1992. The observance of the day aims to promote an understanding of disability issues and mobilize support for the dignity, rights and well-being of persons with disabilities. It also seeks to increase awareness of gains to be derived from the integration of persons with disabilities in every aspect of political, social, economic and cultural life. It was originally called "International Day of Disabled Persons" until 2007.

7th December - International Civil Aviation Day

The day has been celebrated by the International Civil Aviation Organization since 7 December 1994, the 50th anniversary of the signing the Convention on International Civil Aviation. The purpose of the day is to recognize the importance of aviation, especially international air travel, to the social and economic development of the world.

9th DECEMBER - INTERNATIONAL ANTI-CORRUPTION DAY

International Anti-Corruption Day has been observed annually, on 9 December, since the passage of the United Nations Convention against Corruption. It aims to promote and strengthen measures to prevent and combat corruption more efficiently and effectively promote, facilitate and support international cooperation and technical assistance in the prevention of and fight against corruption and promote integrity, accountability and proper management of public affairs and public property.

22nd DECEMBER - NATIONAL MATHEMATICS DAY

In India, the day 'December 22' has been declared as the **National Mathematics Day**. The Declaration was made by Dr. Manmohan Singh, Prime Minister of India, during the inaugural ceremony of the celebrations to mark the 125th birth anniversary of Srinivasa Ramanujan held at the Madras University Centenary Auditorium on 26th February 2012. Dr. Manmohan Singh also announced that the year 2012 would be celebrated as the National Mathematics Year. The Indian mathematical genius Srinivasa Ramanujan was born on 22 December 1887 and died on 26 April 1920. It was in recognition of his contribution to mathematics the Government of India decided to celebrate Ramanujan's birthday as the National Mathematics Day every year and to celebrate 2012 as the National Mathematics Year. National Mathematics Day is celebrated with numerous educational events held at Indian schools and universities.

25th DECEMBER - GOOD GOVERNANCE DAY

Good Governance Day is observed in India annually on the twenty-fifth day of December, the birth anniversary of former-Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee. Good Governance Day was established in 2014 to honor Prime Minister Vajpayee by fostering awareness among the Indian people of accountability in government. In keeping with this principle, the Government of India has decreed Good Governance Day to be a working day for the government.

26th DECEMBER - BOXING DAY

Boxing Day is a holiday celebrated the day after Christmas Day. It originated in the United Kingdom, and is celebrated in a number of countries that previously formed part of the British Empire. In the liturgical calendar of Western Christianity, Boxing Day is the second day of Christmastide, and also St. Stephen's Day. In some European countries, notably Germany, Poland, Belgium, the Netherlands and the Nordic countries, 26 December is celebrated as a Second Christmas Day.

KNOW YOUR CITY

QUTAB MINAR

Qutab Minar is the tallest individual tower in the world, which is a masterpiece of the Mughal architecture. Qutab Minar was built by Qutub-ud-din Abak and is a true representation of Indo-Islamic Architecture. Construction was started by Qutab-ud-din Abak and was continued by Iltutmish. It is 72 meters high with 379 steps leading to the top. So take a long breath before you start climbing those steps. The most outstanding feature of the tower is the stalactite support to the balconies and the circular plan with its alternating semi-circular and angular flutings. There is a Muslim mosque at the base (Quwwat-ul Islam), which was the first mosque built in India. In the neighbouring courtyard, there is the base of another minar called Alau Minar that was being built, but was unfinished because of the death of the Sultan. It was meant to be higher than Qutab Minar. There are also the ruins of a tomb and a college in another outer courtyard.

The Qutab Minar and its monuments are listed in UNESCO World Heritage Site. The detail on these monuments and buildings is amazing, especially considering the time they were built and the tools that were available at that time to work on this Minar. The tourist can do a lot of sightseeing or just sit in the beautifully maintained grass around the monument or the courtyards. An Iron Pillar which is metallurgical wonder is situated nearby. Walking over one side shows us an inscription which tells that the mosque was built on the foundations of a Hindu temple. We can also find a decorated tomb of Iltutmish, with wonderful carvings towards another side of the Minar. Pointing towards the sky, the view from the top of the Minar will give the tourist a bird view of the City of Delhi. Viewing the Qutab Minar with the illumination in the night should not be avoided.



Do We Really Appreciate the Things We Have??

Even by Delhi's miserable January standards, it was a bitterly cold night when we met Chandan in 2013. Volunteers with the Uday Foundation were distributing blankets to the homeless sleeping outside AIIMS. We saw Chandan, who was then 12 years old, on the pavement, covered with few blankets, moaning in pain. He was with his parents who told us that he was suffering from bone cancer and was undergoing chemotherapy at AIIMS. When they ran out of cash, the family, which had travelled to Delhi from Bihar, moved to the pavement.

A report on Chandan aired on NDTV and within two days, Chandan had over twelve lakhs deposited in the bank account that was set up for him. He was immediately shifted to a rented flat. Some of the money was used to cover the cost of his treatment. For the next two years, he underwent 22 sessions of chemotherapy; his smile defied the pain to make long and unforgettable appearances.

He used to visit our centre regularly. For a young teen, he was uncommonly certain of what he hoped to be someday - an Air Force Pilot. It was tough to get him admitted to school, so we decided to step up a small class room in the backyard of our health centre, where Chandan and a few other children were tutored informally.

Then as we were getting ready to celebrate Diwali, Chandan's father said that doctors had disclosed that he had no more than a few months left. That night, I went to his home; he was busy playing with a toy fighter plane.

As his birthday was approaching, I asked what present he would like. He said he wanted to fly a fighter plane on his birthday. Just to travel on a regular flight, he needed a fitness certificate from his doctors in advance; and here he was, talking about flying a fighter aircraft! But Chandan - and that smile - were possessed of unique powers. A few days later, I received a phone call from Group Captain Yash Negi of the Indian Air Force.

We had met while organizing relief work for the Kashmir floods. I conveyed Chandan's request. And within two days, I was informed that Chandan could visit the Ambala Air Force Station; they requested measurements for his uniform and shoe size.

And then there we were - on November 10, 2014, Chandan was given a warm welcome by the officers at Ambala. That smile was unshakeable once he put on the uniform that had been readied for him.

The next morning, Chandan was dressed in flying overalls, and he was given a short mission briefing by Group Captain P Vig, the Commanding Officer. He was then guided to a fighter aircraft where he was seated in its cockpit he was told about how all the switches and screens worked. He got a first-hand feel of life of a fighter pilot.

Then he got to fly the Jaguar Simulator. In his words, "It was the most cherished moment of my life". The sortie on the simulator lasted for around 20 minutes. The most exciting maneuver, he said, was the loop.

Low-level strikes by the Jaguar and Bison aircraft were demonstrated for him. An air display blew him away. After returning from Ambala, he was unable to move and was confined to his bed. He was in unbearable pain and even heavy doses of morphine didn't offer relief, but he smiled each time he spoke about his pilot experience. Chandan died on February 4, 2015. He had just turned 14. For strangers everywhere who helped him, we are all grateful. In our grief, we thank you for your generosity and concern.

- Written by : Rahul Verma, Founder of Uday Foundation.

Uday Foundation is a non-profit organization based in New Delhi, India. It was established in the year 2007 by the parents of Arjunoday, who was born with multiple congenital defects. The foundation works for the welfare of children with medical needs, support and dignity to homeless and disaster relief.

We all possess something to give. With a personal commitment to bringing about a difference in the lives of people, you too CAN make a big difference. To know more about the work of this wonderful organization or to contribute towards their divine goal visit their website www.udayfoundation.org



Chandan in IAF overalls at the Ambala Air Force Station on November 11, 2014.

UDAY FOUNDATION

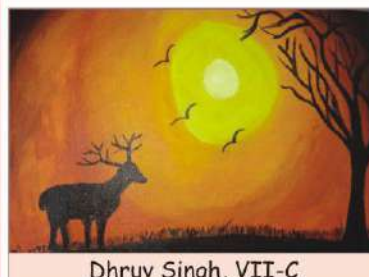
Mentoring the Mentors

Mathematics is one of the core components in early learning. Research in mathematics education suggests that a strong foundation in learning of mathematics can influence the learning trajectories of children in higher grades. However, in reality, many children fear mathematics and this fear usually starts forming early in the primary classes.

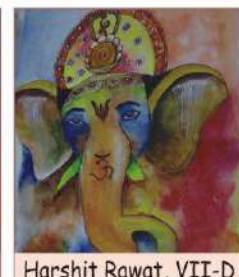
Jodo Gyan since 1998, has been involved in designing an appropriate curriculum for primary mathematics, which would support children in learning with understanding. The particular pedagogy has significantly focused on starting from the meaning structures of children and going through a process of abstraction to reach the necessary mathematical competencies. The approach followed is based on the research by Usha Menon while at NISTADS (CSIR) and later and has been informed by international research as well as the research conducted at Jodo Gyan Kendra, the innovation lab school in Delhi. The processes involve engagement with a context along with modelling of the situation and use of tools within that context for problem solving. Our school teachers, Ms. Anita Singh, Ms. Meenakshi Joshi, Ms. Jyoti Sharma, Ms. Poonam Goyal, Ms. Satyapreet Kaur and Ms. Shivangi attended a two day interactive workshops on **Pre Primary and Primary School Mathematics**, specifically on learning of **Numbers and Number sense, Number Operations, Fractions, Decimals and Geometry** from 27th November 2017 to 2nd December 2017. The mentors had an enriching experience that shall certainly help the young learners find interest in Mathematics.



The Artists' Canvas



Dhruv Singh, VII-C



Harshit Rawat, VII-D



Gaurav Rawat, IV-A



Soumil Madhwal, II-E

Demystifying Science :

What is Terahertz imaging?

It is a scanning technique that uses extremely high frequency waves to penetrate dense surfaces. Originally employed in the search for petroleum reserves, it is now used in art restoration. The beams can penetrate layers of paint introduced in varying degrees by artists to create particular effects or it can also plumb, without causing damage, layers of wear-and-tear over the years. Without the signal processing, researchers might only be able to identify layers 100 to 150 microns thick. But using the advanced processing, they can distinguish layers just 20 microns thick. Paintings done before the 18th century have been challenging to study because their paint layers tend to be very thin. Beyond old art, the non-destructive technique also has potential applications for detecting skin cancer, ensuring proper adhesion of turbine blade coatings, and measuring the thickness of automotive paints.



FELICITATION GALORE



Students of Class II receiving a Trophy and a Certificate for attaining 2nd Position in Enactment of a fairytale Competition organized by Vivekanand School



Siddharth Chandra (VII), Aditya Bisht (VIII) & Surya Thakur (VI) receiving prize for attaining 2nd position in Maths Relay Competition organized by Vivekanand School



Palak (VIII A) receiving prize for achieving III position in Girls Chess Competition organized by Vivekanand School



Gaurav Rawat and Kartik Singh (XI) receiving Certificates for attaining I Position in Junkyard Innovations Competition organized by Vivekanand School



Faisal Ayub (X) receiving Trophy and Certificate for attaining III Position in Build Out Web Competition organized by Vivekanand School



Students of Class XII receiving trophy for attaining 2nd position in Biz-Skit Competition organized by Vivekanand School



T.S. Samikcha (VIII A) Receiving a Trophy and a certificate for Best Attacker during Sh. G.C. Lagan Volleyball Tournament



Students receiving a Trophy and Certificate for attaining II Position in 2nd Sh. G.C. Lagan Memorial Volleyball Tournament



Garima Bhatt receiving a Trophy for Full Attendance for Four Consecutive Years



Students of Class XI receiving Certificates for Full Attendance in the session 2016-17



Students of Class IX receiving certificates for attaining I position in Flash Mob Activity organized by Road Safety Club.



Umang Chauhan (XII) receiving Certificate of Excellence in Poster Making Competition organized during Vigilance Awareness Week

Unwinding the spirit.....



The camp was as engaging as possible, as on one hand kids were found tackling the challenges of magical maze on the other we found our students conquering the heights of mountain trekking. The camp encapsulated its ambience in the essence of a rural exposure provided to kids while carrying them on the backs of a camel or a tractor. The day somewhere touched a much needed aspect of a student's life i.e managing oneself with the precious art of self-control, self-discipline and working as a team under a leader, thus the camp somewhere aroused the hidden soldier spirit of the students.

Enrolling the kids in the spirit of adventure, the school organized an adventure camp for the students of class IX to XII at Camp Tikking in order to explore their hearts and unlock their minds. **CAMP TIKKING** provided students a spectacle of natural site surrounded by extensive wilderness of rocky Aravalis from three sides. After an exciting bus ride which led the kids to the place, students found themselves in a mystery box, surrounded by spectacles such as rock climbing site, zip line stations, commando net and way more, the spark in the young eyes was worth keeping forever.



REFLECTIONS

The Power of Counter Speech

Hailing all the girls, we celebrated the Women Empowerment week. The achievements of women in all the genres are being acknowledged, all possible measures are taken to provide equal facilities and educational opportunities to women. Congratulations!!

But just get a flashback of some instances which made you feel embarrassed, molested or harassed whether in school, or outside which left you teary eyed. Did you ever retaliate, if you were mocked at, laughed at or sneered at? Have you ever protested when you were not allowed to say a single word for you have to keep quiet for your own security? Did you ever realise that when we shut our mouth or when we ignore these anti-social elements, they get reinforcement which eventually lead to the menace of stalking, eve-teasing and sexual harassment. Why are we called "brave" or "rebellious" when we tackle/speak out against such situations, rather it should be a standard protocol! For the young ladies posting #Me too on social media, this one#hashtag is not enough to get your own rights of personhood and provide you solace.

Understand your rights of existence. Even Darwin stated that the fittest survives. If the mockers, stalkers, hooters are getting pleased by making you uncomfortable then don't let them do that. Retaliate or raise your voice because you also have the right to live peacefully as they do.

Refuse to live in the fear of the consequences of your retaliation for they should live in the fear of their initiation. Just refuse to shut up until you shut them down!

That will lead to a change, and a respectful salute to the race of nature, a salute to the divine because Ignorance is not the best policy, Confrontation is!

- Akansha Mishra, XII

You can't Accomplish a heaven until you die for it

Einstein, Henry Ford, Bill Gates, Walt Disney these are some familiar names in consideration for epitome of success but behind that success there were ceaseless failures in their lives yet they turned them into their acclaimed triumph. What kept them going even after perpetual downfalls, setbacks and breakdowns was their perseverance in this perplexity and their hard work. Success is 99% persistent failures. I guess that's why people in real life consider it a figment, they try hard but get the same domino effect. In such a case one should remain optimistic that one day you will pass with flying colours because failures do not have a dominion over you. All you need is a great deal of efforts and endurance because getting successful in life is not easy but it is simple, this is the actual success mantra. In between this if you are looking for shortcuts and substitutions, you may collapse. Hard work can't be a fad and having it won't make success knock your doors overnight. We stop trying after giving anything a chance once or twice, rather we should learn from our mistakes. A crow tells us to be attentive all the times, a crane to focus and a lion to hunt all for yourself to become a paragon of success because you can't live in a heaven until you die for it.

- Rishita Semwal, XII

Annual Sports Carnival for Tiny Tots



Celebrating sports is like a tradition that is followed at Bal Bhavan every year. This year too, Annual Sports Day for school's primary wing was celebrated with much valour and enthusiasm. Various races were organized for the students of classes Nursery to V, which not just tested their stamina but also the enthusiasm to succeed. The races were well organized for students as per their caliber and age and also considering learning an important aspect of life, the races sought to pick up the characters of many stories, in order to make children live those characters themselves.

Educational Activities

Celebrating the Innocence - Children's Day



Giving a tribute to innocence and celebrating the children's day, the school did not restrict the celebration to a day but a week, wherein various fun filled activities were organized for children (from 7th to 14th November) to make them feel special. The real descendants of the day, the class nursery to II kids celebrated for a week, wherein they were asked to bring a specific food every day and everyday was entitled to an enriching activity.

The week ended with a grand celebration wherein a 'Magic and Puppet' show was organized for students of Nursery to V, which was enthralling and entertaining and children enjoyed a lot.

GURU'S GRACE



Our history presents us with examples which stretched the strings of our conscious and left us with a permanent imprint on our hearts. Guru Nanak Jayanti is a memory of one such saint, who shone the way for humanity and enlightened the world with knowledge.

On 3rd November 2017, the students of the school made a beautiful attempt to carve the canvas with the lessons taught by Guru Nanak Sahib. A play echoing the declining impacts of that modernity whose blinding flash is compelling our youngsters to lose their credits.

The holy ambience created by the young talents compelled everyone to knock at the door of their true selves, an attempt to be one with the divine. The event was also unique as apart from a general perception of the culture of Punjab, the students presented a rare but an inevitable side of it.

Shakti - Ek Pehchan



Class IV students showcased a special assembly with a theme of 'Women Empowerment', wherein students presented a glimpse from the life of Rani Laxmi Bai, through a play. The performance inspired the children with the life of fighter queen, and aimed to motivate them to believe in one's own strength and live with courage. The program ended with a performance which highlighted the role of women in society and how she is blooming in various professions.



1. Our reaction to a situation literally has the power to change the situation itself.
2. focused mindpower is one of the strongest forces on earth.
3. SUCCESS does not lies in "RESULT" but in "EFFORTS".



What has many keys, but can't even open a single door?

Answer : A piano

WORDS of the month

- **EXAGGERATE** - represent (something) as being larger, better, or worse than it really is.
Synonyms : overstate, overemphasize, overstress, overestimate
- **AGONY** - extreme physical or mental suffering.
Synonyms : pain, hurt, suffering, torture, torment

- **RESTRAINT** - unemotional, dispassionate, or moderate behaviour; self-control/ a measure or condition that keeps someone or something under control.
Synonyms : self-control, self-restraint, self-discipline
- **FURIOUS** - extremely angry.
Synonyms : enraged, raging, infuriated, very angry, inflamed, incandescent

STUDY TIP

The most effective way to prepare for exams is to practice on old question papers. It helps you understand the format of questions that might come in your exam.

Celebrity Journal

ARUNDHATI BHATTACHARYA

58 year old **Arundhati Bhattacharya** is an Indian banker and the former chairperson of **State Bank of India** (7th October 2013 to 6th October 2017), the leading public sector bank of India, the first woman to assume this position. The woman from Kolkata was ranked the world's 36th most powerful woman by Forbes, and was among FP 100 Global thinkers by Foreign Policy magazine.



- Bhattacharya joined SBI in September 1977. She is the first woman to lead an India-based Fortune India 500 company. Initially, she joined SBI in 1977 as a Probationary Officer at the age of 22 years.
- She has held several positions during her 36-year career with the bank including working in foreign exchange, treasury, retail operations, human resources and investment banking. This included positions like the chief executive of the bank's merchant banking arm- State Bank of India Capital Markets; chief general manager in charge of new projects.
- She has also served at the bank's New York office. She has been involved in the launch of several new businesses such as SBI General Insurance, SBI Custodial Services, SBI Pension Funds Pvt. Ltd. and the SBI Macquarie Infrastructure Fund.
- She introduced a two-year sabbatical leave policy for the bank's female employees to use either for maternity or elder care. On Women's day, she announced free vaccination against cervical cancer to all the bank's female employees.
- She was named the 4th most powerful women in Asia Pacific by Fortune. In 2017, India Today magazine ranked her #19th in India's 50 Most powerful people of 2017 list.

Glossary to Literary terms
OXYMORON

Definition of Oxymoron

Oxymoron is a figure of speech in which two opposite ideas are joined to create an effect. The common oxymoron phrase is a combination of an adjective preceded by a noun with contrasting meanings, such as "cruel kindness," or "living death".

However, the contrasting words/phrases are not always glued together. The contrasting ideas may be spaced out in a sentence, such as, "In order to lead, you must walk behind."

Difference Between Oxymoron and Paradox

It is important to understand the difference between an oxymoron and a paradox. A paradox may consist of a sentence, or even a group of sentences. An oxymoron, on the other hand, is a combination of two contradictory or opposite words. A paradox seems contradictory to the general truth, but it does contain an implied truth. An oxymoron, however, may produce a dramatic effect, but does not make literal sense. Examples of oxymoron are found both in casual conversations and in literature.

Common Examples of Oxymoron

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|--------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Open secret | 2. Tragic comedy |
| 3. Seriously funny | 4. Awfully pretty |
| 5. Foolish wisdom | 6. Original copies |
| 7. Liquid gas | |

The above oxymoron examples produce a comical effect. Thus, it is a lot of fun to use them in your everyday speech.

PARENTING TIP

Encourage your children by saying : *I Appreciate You / *You Excelled At/*You Listened Well On/*I Am Grateful When You...

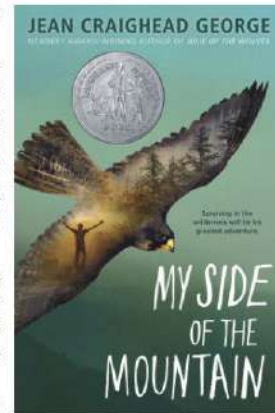
Good Reads *My Side of the Mountain*

My Side of the Mountain is a children adventure novel written by American writer Jean Craighead George.

The book is about Sam Gribbley, a 15-year-old boy who intensely dislikes living in his parents' cramped New York City apartment with his eight brothers and sisters. He decides to run away to his great-grandfather's abandoned farm in the Catskill Mountains to live in the wilderness. Contrary to his sea-loving father's belief that Gribbleys do not belong on the land, Sam is determined to settle on his great-grandfather's old property and to live off the land independently.

The reader meets Frightful, Sam's pet peregrine falcon, and The Baron, a weasel that Sam befriends. Sam makes a home in the giant hollowed-out hemlock tree, hunts with Frightful for meat, and discovers the delicious, and not-so-delicious wild plants that keep him alive during his adventure.

The story interests the readers to leave the boring daily life and move to the wilderness.



The Counselor's Corner

Controlling Anger - Before it Controls You

"When you let anger get the best of you, it brings out the worst in you"

Once upon a time : A little 8 year old Johnny is in the principal's office. It is the third time his teacher sent him there this week. Johnny is a first grade student who struggles with many behavioral issues. He has a quick temper when he does not get his way. He often throws his chair or hits other students during an anger episode. He is also impulsive, often blurting out his answers in class and jumping out of his seat. Although his teacher has explained to Johnny that his behavior is inappropriate, his poor behavior continues to be a disruption in class.



Ms. Ankita Chaudhary, Counselor

In order to keep other students in Johnny's class safe and on task, his teacher sends him to the principal's office when he is being disruptive. Although that temporarily fixes the problem, it does not provide a solution to Johnny's behavioral issues. By removing Johnny from the classroom, it removes him from his education and prevents him from learning how to properly handle his anger. Unless Johnny learns how to cope with his anger in a healthy way, he will continue falling behind in his education and his behavioral problems will persist.

MORAL OF THE STORY : One should teach and demonstrate positive behavior along with limiting negative behavior. Limitation in itself, is not a solution, preparation is.

How common is it??

Anger is a universal feeling. Everyone has felt angry at some point, some people more than others. It is a signal emotion. It usually mobilizes a response to danger, but it's also a **form of self-expression** and **sometimes a child's way of declaring independence**. Anger may be a cry for help, so help in the right manner and direct them to express it constructively.

At this stage, impulses are hard to control, and the ability to stop, listening to the other side, and to seek out common ground for negotiation and compromise is barely a glimmer. **Discussions are important, not arguments. If you learn to control your anger, you learn to respect yourself.**

ANGER MANAGEMENT

It is never too soon to teach your child how to control his/her anger so that it doesn't control them. A key to helping your child manage anger is getting them to question whether aggression really gets them what they want.

1. **Recognize your Anger :** The sources of stress should be well known to help you prepare yourself.
2. **Stop the action and restore safety :** If your child is feeling out of control, he/she should be separated from the person causing stress and should leave the situation for a while.
3. **Calm down :** Teach your child to use some calming strategies when they feel the physical symptoms of anger. They can try taking **deep breaths, drinking a glass of water, Exercise, listen to a song or distract themselves with a story.**
4. **Set limits :** Lay down the law and let children know who's in charge when they're out of control: "No hitting, and if you won't stop it, I will."
5. **Follow through with consequences :** Encourage your child to ask themselves, "What do I want to happen?" Explain that vengeance and retaliation are not worth acting on. Being understood and making things right are worthwhile.
6. **Consider the other person's feelings :** Children can begin to show empathy as young as 3 years old, but they need your help. Try to get her to understand the other person's point of view, just as they want their point of view to be understood.
7. **Express your Anger in an appropriate manner :** Talk to the respective person about the issue at hand as soon as the situation calms down. Taking an initiative does not bring you down.
8. **Look for possible solutions :** Help your child see beyond "I hate you and you're no good." See if you can find a compromise that both parties can agree on. Apologizing often helps.
9. **Visualization :** Imagine a relaxing experience and visualize the beauty to distract yourself.

Common situational triggers of anger in children are :

- Conflicts with parents, such as being angry, controlling or distant
- Rejection by siblings or peers
- Athletic Insecurities
- Difficulty in trusting others
- Parental enabling of narcissism
- Modeling parental anger
- Selfishness
- Academic difficulties
- Lack of balance
- Marital conflicts between parents
- Loneliness and Sadness
- Low self-esteem
- Poor body image

"Anger does not solve anything. It builds nothing but it can destroy everything"

Understanding Careers : A Guide for Students



This column is initiated to aware our students about the various conventional and unconventional career options available to them after +2. If u want us to discuss a career of your choice, or if you are curious to know more about the career option discussed in this edition, please feel free to contact the school counsellor or email us.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

Teaching is not just another *career option* and should not be considered one. As a professional, irrespective of the field, one definitely contributes to the society but as a teacher, one directly shapes and influences thousands of future contributors in the course of one's lifetime. The B.Ed. (Special Education) Programme will prepare human resources to enable them to acquire knowledge and develop competencies and skills to impart education and training effectively to children with disabilities as well as children who are facing difficulties in coping with their respective subject as per their grade level or competency. The special educator aims at helping the child understand their inner potential through remedial sessions, play activity and collaborative approach.

ELIGIBILITY

EDUCATIONAL

One can enter the respective career field either by doing a Diploma course or a Bachelor of Special Education. For diploma course 10+2 is the minimum requirement. Whereas, for a Bachelor course in Special Education (B.Ed.) one must have at least a Bachelor's degree from a recognized University. There is also a Masters Course in Special Education (M.Ed.) for which requirement is Bachelor's degree in Special Education.

PERSONAL ATTRIBUTES

Special education teacher requires a love for kids, empathy for parents dealing with difficult kids and a good sense of humor. Main attribute required for this career is patience and dedication. Having the innate desire to help others is also important in this profession. Like any other teacher, Special Education teachers must be organized and should be able to motivate students. As they also spend a lot of time working with other teachers, parents and therapists, communication and cooperation skills are useful. Other attributes that such teachers need include critical thinking skills, creativity, interpersonal skills etc.

CERTIFICATION AS A REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL

It is mandatory as per Section 13 of RCI Act for every teacher of special education to obtain a "Registered Professional Certificate" from the Rehabilitation Council of India to work in the field of special education in India. As continuous professional growth is necessary for the renewal of the certificate, the teachers as well as educators in special education should undergo in-service programme periodically to update their professional knowledge. Amendments, if any, to the regulations of the course will be made periodically by the Rehabilitation Council of India. The training institution/organization should ensure that all passed out students are registered with the Council.

Advance courses in B.Ed. Special Education

- M.Ed. (Special Education)
- M.Phil. (Special Education)
- Ph.D. (Special Education)

B.Ed. Special Education Employment Areas :

- Educational institutes
- NGO'S
- News AND media
- Government offices
- Educator
- Content reviewer
- Content writer and developer job
- Learning and development head
- Education developer associate

TOP INSTITUTES

- Andhra University
- B.R Ambedkar Open University
- Amity Institute of Rehabilitation Services
- Indian Institute of Rehabilitation Services
- India National Portage Association (INPA)
- Indian Institute of Health Education and Research
- Kalasalingam University
- M.J.P Rohilkhand University
- Lady Irwin College
- National Institute for Empowerment of Persons with Multiple Disabilities
- Central Institute of Education

Budding Poets



I started my homework
But my pen ran out of ink
My hamster ate my homework
My computer's on the blink

The royal chef took it
And said that it was the ingredient for cooking,
My brother flushed it down when I was not looking

My mother washed away my homework,
Through the washer and dryer
An airplane crashed into our house,
My homework caught fire

Tornadoes blew my notes away,
Volcanoes struck our town
My homework was taken
By an evil killer clown

Some aliens abducted me
I had a shark attack
A pirate swiped my homework
And refused to gave it back

It took too long to make excuses,
I realized with dread
It would have been easier
To do the homework instead

- Ishaanvi singhal, VII-A

Always be me

Yet the people around me think
'I'm a fool'
But my basic policy is
'Always to be cool'
I wanted me at the very top,
But from childhood I'm taught to touch the dirty mop.
My soul had now touched the moon,
But my body is still locked in a room.

Now I just think,
What is it??
R we all a piece of bit!

Money or fame
We don't expect
All we need is
piece of respect.

Time has changed,
But we are still tamed.

We want to achieve
So don't be mischief .

Happy on Sorrow, coffee or tea
The thing I like is 'Always Be Me'

- Aditi Sara, IX-B



Blue Ain't Your Color



None shall be revealed,
None shall be considered,
None shall be granted.

The sensation of mine,
Feels the 'Want'
In your fake 'Blue' eyes.
Effect, they don't me now.

More the reasons you launched,
More the vulnerable I became,
And more the initiatives of mine came in...

Reasons, me being vulnerable so much
Are all yours.
For now, not I'm into.

Why peace and pain visit us same moment
When we see the past Time?
The key to this is still don't know..

- Samik Suri, XI-B



Shutter Bug



Credits : PRATEEK BHUSHAN, VII-C

They said it ...

• "It is not true that people stop pursuing dreams because they grow old, they grow old because they stop pursuing dreams"
- Gabriel Garcia Marquez

• Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn't do than by the ones you did so throw off the bowlines, sail away from safe harbor, catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore, Dream, Discover.
- Mark Twain

• Whether you think you can or you think you can't, you're right.
- Henry Ford

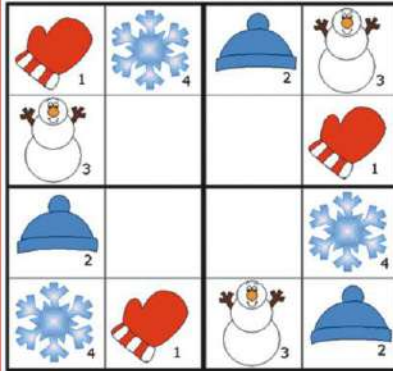
• Be thankful for what you have; you'll end up having more. If you concentrate on what you don't have, you will never, ever have enough.
- Oprah Winfrey

TODDLER'S ZONE

Spot The Seven Differences



Winter Sudoku



Each row, each column and each of the large four squares should have one of each image. Fill in the blanks!

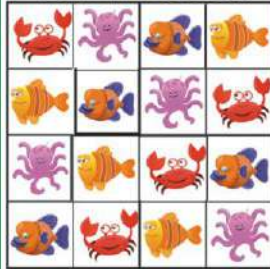


Christmas Word Search

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ANSWER OF PREVIOUS SUDOKU... OCEAN ANIMALS SUDOKU



Whole grains fill your tummy

Milk builds strong bones and teeth

Fill half your plate with fruits and veggies

Beans, eggs, seeds and nuts are protein, too!

How does your plate look?

Speech Time Fun

Start

What do we need to wrap a gift? What do we use to hang lights? When do people hang lights? Who rides a sleigh? Where does a reindeer live?

wh- question fun

What is your favorite Christmas song? When is Christmas? Who climbs down a chimney? What does Santa say? Who carries the bag? What do candy canes taste like?

Where do people hang ornaments? Where can we find a chimney? Who helps Santa? Where do we get gifts? What gets inside a stocking? What is hanging on a fireplace?

Help Santa get to his sleigh!

Finish

GRANDMA'S TALE

The Angel



Once upon a time there was a child ready to be born. One day the child asked God, 'They tell me you are going to send me to earth tomorrow but how am I going to live there being so small and helpless?' God replied, 'Among the many angels I have chosen one for you. She will be waiting for you and will take care of you.' Said child, 'But tell me here in Heaven I don't do anything else but sing and smile. That's what I need to be happy!' God replied, 'Your angel will sing for you every day. And you will feel your angel's love and be happy.' And, said the child, 'How am I going to be able to understand when people talk to me, if I don't know the language that men talk?' That's easy", God said, your angel will tell you the most beautiful and sweet words you will ever hear and with much patience and care, your angel will teach you how to speak." The child looked up at God saying, "And what am I going to do when I want to talk to you?" God smiled at the child saying, "Your angel will teach you how to pray." The child said, "I've heard on earth there are bad men. Who will protect me?" God replied, "Your angel will defend you, even if it means risking life!" The child looked sad, saying, "But I will always be sad because I will not see you anymore." God replied, "You angel will always talk to you about me and will teach you the way to come back to me, even though I will always be next to you." At that moment there was much peace in Heaven, but voices from earth could already be heard. The child in a hurry, asked softly, "Oh God, if I am about to leave now' please tell me my angel's name!" God replied, "Your angel's name is of no importance... you will simply call her MOTHER.

Healthy Habits

Exercise regularly.

Wear protective gear while playing sports.

Eat nutritious foods.

Get at least eight hours of sleep each night.

Make good choices.

Sit in the backseat and wear your seat belt.

Practice good hygiene.

Wash your hands with soap.

Visit health professionals regularly.

3rd Sh. G.C. Lagan Memorial Athletic Meet

*Victory is not a birth right
but a treasure,
A treasure which reveals
one's true character.*

Our achievements often symbolize the kind of personalities we hold. The spirit which somewhere resides at the core, teaching us to accept victory with honour and defeat with grace, for that marks the character of a true champion.

Carrying forward such grand yet most fundamental legacy of the true champion of life, Sh. G.C. Lagan, our hon'ble founder Chairman Sir, our School organised 3rd Sh. G.C. Lagan Memorial Athletic Meet.

This event was graced with the inspiring presence of Ms. Meenakshi Pahuja, international swimmer, who is currently working as an Assistant Professor in Lady Sri Ram College for Women, Delhi University. She has won a medal for the country at 10th Asia Pacific Age Group Aquatic Meet held at Pusan, South Korea, 1996. She is the first Indian to successfully swim 5 lakes in 5 days- Tex Robertson High Land lakes Challenge, 2010. She made successful attempts at Lake Zurich and the Great English Channel. The event was also graced by Sh. Ramesh Kandpal & Sh. S.P. Gupta.

The event was symbolic of creating an atmosphere where sportsman spirit could be forged. Incorporating a range of athletic events, this day was a grand celebration of true spirit to fight and establish one's imprint on that day to register it in one's golden memories. Participating schools created a unique spectacle while they demonstrated their valour in various events. The ambience was filled with the encore of the cheerful and exciting spectators at the nail-biting performances going in the ground. Saai Memorial Girls Sr. Sec. School took away the title of the best school of the meet while various other schools embarked their names in the winner's list.



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