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Don't forget- no one else sees the world the way you do, so no one else can tell the stories that you have to tell"

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From the editors desk.....



“I KNOW BUT ONE FREEDOM AND THAT IS THE FREEDOM OF THE MIND”

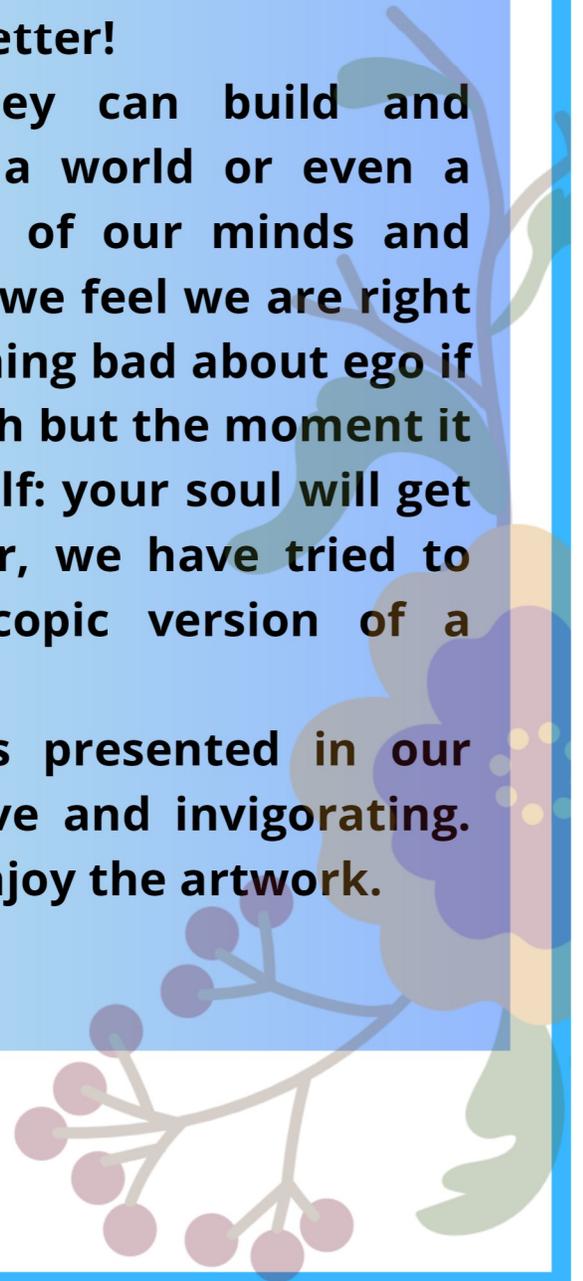
Words simple enough! Yet profound thoughts hit every reader of this thought, as the power of the mind is vast and to restrict it behind bars, metaphorically, signifies the worst kind of slavery.

Welcome to our tiny-mighty newsletter!

Thoughts are extraordinary. They can build and destroy an individual, a nation, a world or even a planet. Let's revere the strength of our minds and treat it honourably. Many a times we feel we are right and all others wrong. There is nothing bad about ego if it allows you to hold your head high but the moment it controls your mind, your better self: your soul will get damaged. Through our newsletter, we have tried to explore and convey a kaleidoscopic version of a human mind.

The various threads of thoughts presented in our humble newsletter are informative and invigorating. Take your time to read it and do enjoy the artwork.

Happy reading!



Principal's Message



"Celebrate the Spirit, Embrace the Joy: Festive Seasons Unite Us All!"

Festivals serve as vibrant threads woven into the rich tapestry of our cultural heritage, imparting not only joy and happiness but also invaluable life lessons.

They are profound repositories of our shared values, embodying the essence of empathy, kindness, compassion, and the spirit of sharing. These celebrations, deeply rooted in time-honored traditions, are pivotal in nurturing the moral compass of our youth.

Ganesh Chaturthi, a resplendent festival fervently observed across India, particularly in Maharashtra, venerates the revered elephant-headed God. Lasting for a decadent span of ten days, it underscores the belief that resilience and determination conquer all obstacles. This celebration imparts vital lessons to students, emphasizing the virtues of unwavering dedication, tenacity, and the power of a focused mind.

Dussehra, echoing through diverse regions of India, commemorates the triumph of righteousness over malevolence. Occurring on the auspicious 10th day of Navratri, it signifies Lord Ram's victory over the nefarious demon king Ravana. In its essence, Dussehra teaches students the principles of justice, fearlessness, and the unwavering commitment to stand up for righteousness, regardless of challenges faced. Diwali, the luminous festival of lights, illuminates the entire nation with its brilliance. Symbolizing the conquest of light over darkness and good over evil.

Diwali kindles the hearts of our students with optimism, compassion, and a profound sense of inclusivity. Through the radiant glow of diyas and candles, students learn the art of spreading positivity and celebrating the beauty of diversity. Diwali instills in them the understanding of welcoming others with open arms, embracing every individual irrespective of their background or beliefs, fostering respect and unity among differences.

Christmas, heralding the birth of Jesus Christ, epitomizes love, peace, and forgiveness. It imparts profound values of giving, sharing, and nurturing compassion for others. Students are touched by the essence of family, faith, and togetherness, imbibing the spirit of love and understanding.

In this mosaic of festivities, educators play a pivotal role in guiding students to integrate these timeless principles into their daily lives. Festivals offer a splendid opportunity not merely for momentary revelry but to sculpt the character and values of our students. Let us seize this occasion to nurture a generation that excels not only academically but also as torchbearers of the essential values indispensable for a harmonious and compassionate society.

In conclusion, festive seasons are invaluable moments that remind us of the core values that define our humanity. They serve as poignant reminders of the importance of love, compassion, and unity, encouraging us to embrace these virtues in our daily lives. As we gather with friends and family to celebrate, we strengthen the bonds that hold our communities together. Festive seasons teach us the enduring lesson that the greatest wealth lies in the richness of our relationships and the kindness we extend to one another. Let us carry these values with us throughout the year, ensuring that the spirit of festivity continues to inspire acts of generosity and goodwill in our hearts.

Mrs. Usha Mahesh Reddy



"From Rejection to Resurgence: Hot Pink as a Symbol of Feminism in the Digital Age"

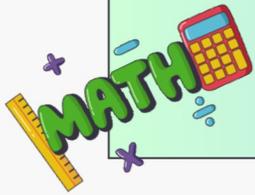
The perception and cultural significance of colors can evolve over time due to various factors, including changes in social attitudes, fashion trends, and the influence of popular culture. Hot pink, in particular, has undergone a transformation in its cultural associations.

Hot pink, or vibrant shades of pink, has traditionally been associated with femininity and has often been marketed as a color for girls and women. However, in the past, some feminist movements rejected stereotypical notions of femininity and saw pink as a symbol of oppression or societal expectations placed on women.

In the 20th century, feminist movements began challenging gender norms and advocating for gender equality. One aspect of this movement was the reclamation of symbols and colors traditionally associated with femininity, including the color pink. Feminists sought to redefine the meaning of pink and reclaim it as a symbol of empowerment and resistance against gender-based limitations. Digital movements helped reshape the perception of hot pink and made it a visible and recognized symbol of feminist activism.

The COVID-19 pandemic and the subsequent periods of lockdown and social distancing brought about significant changes in society and influenced cultural trends. During this time, hot pink reemerged as a symbol of feminism in several ways. The pandemic led to a shift in fashion trends and personal style. As people sought comfort and self-expression within their homes, the use of bold and vibrant colors like hot pink gained popularity. Fashion influencers and celebrities showcased hot pink outfits and accessories, reclaiming the color as a symbol of confidence and individuality. Feminist movements embraced hot pink as a symbol of defiance against patriarchal systems and a reminder of women's determination to overcome adversity.

It's important to note that the reemergence of hot pink as a symbol of feminism during the pandemic is just one aspect of a broader feminist movement. Different individuals and groups within feminism may use different symbols and colors to represent their ideas and goals. However, the use of hot pink during this time highlights the adaptability and power of symbols in conveying messages of empowerment, solidarity, and resistance.



THE SIMPLEST MATHEMATICS PROBLEM WHICH NO ONE COULD SOLVE



The Collatz conjecture is one of the most famous unsolved problems in mathematics. The conjecture asks whether repeating two simple arithmetic operations will eventually transform every positive integer into 1.

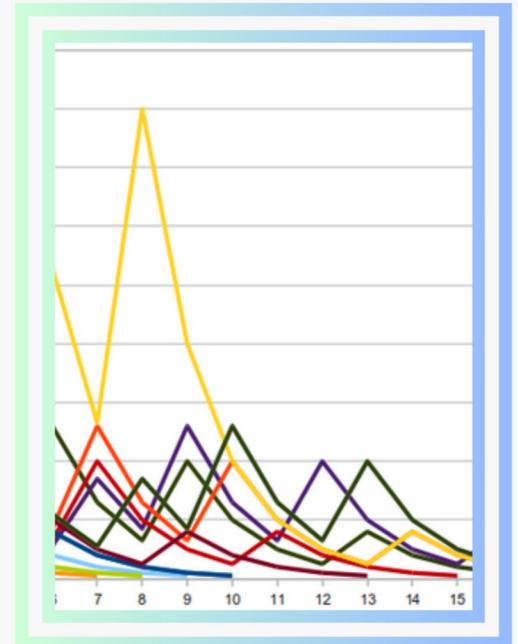
WHAT IS THE CONJECTURE?

Consider the following operations on any random positive integer. If the integer is even, divide it by 2.

If the integer is odd, multiply it by 3 and add 1 to the product. In a modular arithmetic notation, defined "f", the above operations are written as,

Next, we form a sequence by performing this operation again and again and take each value as input for the next. In words, the above notation states that a_i is the value of f applied to n recursively i times [or, $a_i = f_i(n)$].

The actual conjecture states any positive integer $+ 0$ will end with 1. Since 1 is an odd number, if you apply $3x+1$, you would get 4. However, 4 is even, so $4/2 = 2$. Then, 2 is also even, so $2/2 = 1$. This means, we are stuck in a loop. According to the conjecture, every number ends in this {4.2.1} loop. As of today, a total of roughly 263 to 268 individual positive integers have been tested for the Collatz conjecture and all of the integers have proven the conjecture to be true. It is probably going to be a while before anyone is able to discover a random arbitrarily large number which proves the conjecture true.



ADITYA L1 GOES TO THE SUN.....



ISRO has launched yet another space craft, Aditya L1 on 2nd of September, from Satish Dhawan Space Centre in Sriharikota at 11:50 am. Aditya L1 was sent to L1(Lagrange point 1). Following are the missions of Aditya 1.

1.To study upon solar wind, chromosphere, photosphere, and solar corona.

2.To acquire extensive knowledge of Sun's radiation, heat, particle flow, and magnetic fields.

3.To know how Sun impacts the Earth

The objective of this mission is to mostly study about the chromosphere and corona dynamics, physics of the partially ionized plasma, initiation of the coronal mass ejections and flares and lastly development, dynamics and origin of CMEs.

Suba Keerthika, 9B



BLUE SUPER MOON



While the moon takes 27.3 days to orbit Earth, the lunar cycle from one new moon to another is determined by how the sun's light interacts with the moon. Thus, it's unusual for people to see two full moons in the same month; this is known as a "blue moon." It reached its full phase on August 30, 2023, at 9:30 p.m.

During the blue supermoon, the moon will be the closest to Earth, at a distance of about 220,000 miles, which is 15,000 miles closer than usual.



Vaanya Aggarwal, 9B

CLIMATE CHANGE



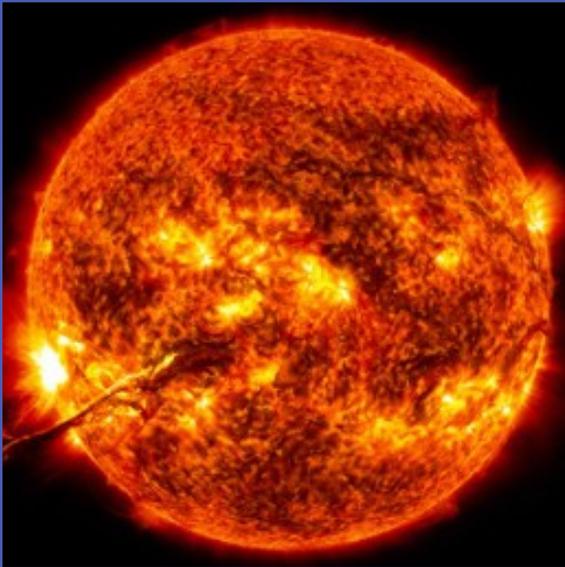
The world is evolving and is getting better day by day. But still, even after several technological advancements, there is a big problem which we face even today which is 'Climate Change'. The temperature of planet Earth has been increasing rapidly. It has been found out that the temperature of earth is presently higher than any time in the last 100,000 years. The temperature of Indian territories has increased by 1.3 degree Fahrenheit between 1901 and 2018.

Climatic change is a very harmful thing for planet earth. It has many serious effects such as, higher temperature, more frequency of severe storms, increased droughts and many more. The food production will also be affected as many crops will not be able to grow in a very hot climate. This will lead to famine. Due to the above reasons, Climate change can create a devastating impact in common people's life. Many people will suffer and it will result in the rapid increase in deaths.

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SOLAR FLARES



But the same kind of explosion happened on Earth about 165 years ago. On September 1, 1859, 11:18 A:M, British Astronomer Richard Carrington was observing the variation of activities around the Sun with the help of his telescope. Due to high electrical burnings, people started having shocks due to it.

OUR EARTH EXPERIENCES 1 OR 2 SOLAR FLARES EVERYDAY FROM WHICH THE EMITTING ENERGY ARE THE SAME AS LAKHS AND CRORES OF VOLCANIC ERUPTIONS BUT, BECAUSE OF THE MAGNITUDE FIELD AROUND THE EARTH MAKES SURE THAT NONE OF THIS HITS IT. BUT, ACCORDING TO NASA, IN 2025, UNTIL NOW, THE STRONGEST SOLAR FLARE WILL COLLIDE WITH THE EARTH. SO, WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF IT WILL COLLIDE WITH EARTH? WELL, ACCORDING TO NASA, THIS WILL START AN AGE OF DESTRUCTION. ALL OVER THE EARTH, FIRE WILL SPREAD. THIS SOLAR FLARE WILL BE SO STRONG THAT AFTER BILLIONS OF NUCLEAR BOMBS THE EXPLOSION WILL BE THE SAME AND THEN THE MAGNETIC FIELD CAN'T SAVE US. THIS MEANS THAT THE SUN WILL SOON DESTROY THE EARTH!

MANY PEOPLE DIED BECAUSE OF THIS INSANITY. SLOWLY, THE CURRENT FLOW BECAME SO MUCH THAT THE ELECTRONIC APPLIANCES WERE WORKING ON THEIR OWN WITHOUT ELECTRICITY. THIS WAS JUST A TRAILER, BECAUSE THE SOLAR FLARES THAT SCIENTISTS PREDICTED ARE 100 TIMES MORE DANGEROUS THAN THIS! THIS IS A GREAT CONCERN.

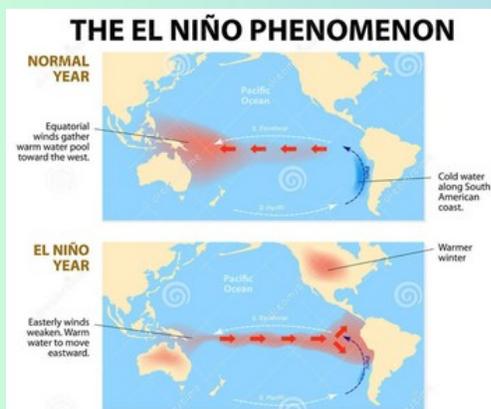
THE EL NINO EFFECT

August is the 2nd rainiest month after July as it receives about 255mm of rainfall all over the country. This August is going to be the driest since 1901. The country only received 160mm of rainfall for the whole month. This means a rain deficit of about 33% for the month. There has never been a time where the country received less than 190mm of rainfall in August. The influence of El Nino has been affected here. El Nino refers to the unusual warming of the equatorial Pacific Ocean off the coast of northwest South America which affects weather events all over the world. If we didn't get good rainfall in July, India would have been in a very difficult situation.

VYOMMITRA - THE SPACEFARING HUMANOID ROBOT



Vyommitra is a spacefaring humanoid robot which is being developed by the ISRO, where she was first revealed on January 22, 2020. (Vyoma: space, Mitra: friend in Sanskrit). She is made to accompany astronauts in space missions and will also be a part of the uncrewed experimental Gaganyaan missions, in which the spacecraft will be placed in a low earth orbit (LEO). The planning of the first trial mission is said to occur during the second week of October. It is said that during the second mission.



Akshita, 9B

Sudhiksha, 9B



Virtue Ethics.....

The pathway to moral excellence



The Power of Humility...

Humility is a quality that surpasses ego and establishes powerful connections. Humility is often misunderstood as weakness or a vulnerability. It is when the person is modest about his or her achievements. Ego, pride, and peer pressure can often change our judgment and change our thought son the ability to embrace humility. Humility is a quality that holds the power to transform individuals into a better people. It is not a sign of weakness but a symbol of strength, power, wisdom and at the same time a symbol of empathy, generosity and understanding. In a world that often celebrates self-love in a way that we feel ourselves to be superior than others, embracing humility can lead us toward a more compassionate and harmonious existence.

The Essence of Finesse...

Finesse is the art of handling situations with grace and sophistication. It helps in achieving one's goals not through power but through skilful planning and understanding of the complications of life. When dealing with friends or family, finesse allows us to handle sensitive discussions and emotions with care and respect. Instead of shouting our way through conflicts, we use finesse to find peace and create an understanding with the other person. Winning isn't always about overpowering it can be about outsmarting them or sweet talking their way through it.

Parinita Girish, 9A



“In a room where people unanimously maintain a conspiracy of silence, one word of truth sounds like a pistol shot.”

- Czesław Miłosz

INDIA OR BHARAT



India has been tangled in controversy after Prime Minister Narendra Modi's government referred to the country as Bharat on official invitations, leaving many wondering whether the name will be changed due to the dinner invitations sent on Tuesday to guests attending this week's Group of 20 (G20) summit. Our President Droupadi Murmu was referred to as "President of Bharat" instead of "President of India". This has led to many assumptions and speculations that India is being renamed as Bharat.



Since the G20 invitations were delivered, Modi's government and his Hindu nationalist BJP were accused of planning to change the name to Bharat. The name Bharat is a Sanskrit term found in scriptures written about 2,000 years ago. It refers to an ambiguous territory, Bharatavarsa, which stretched beyond today's borders of India and may have extended to include what is today Indonesia.

The opposition parties were quite unhappy with this with the Congress leading a new opposition alliance that was recently formed with the aim of unseating Modi in the 2024 general election. The 26-party "Indian National Developmental Inclusive Alliance" , or INDIA, has made the potential name change as an issue.

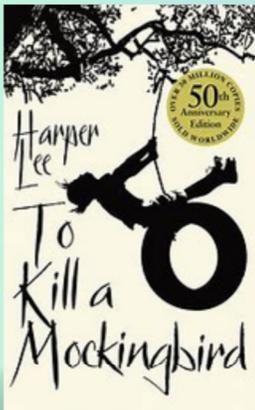
The BJP party has given an answer to this accusation. The BJP has argued that the name "India" is a remnant of the country's colonial past. "India" is a symbol of "colonial slavery" and "should be removed from the constitution". "The British changed Bharat's name to India," he said in a parliamentary session. "Our country has been known by the name 'Bharat' for thousands of years. ... The name 'India' was given by the colonial Raj and is thus a symbol of slavery." Officially Government has not announced any Nation's name change though.



Book Review

To kill a mocking Bird

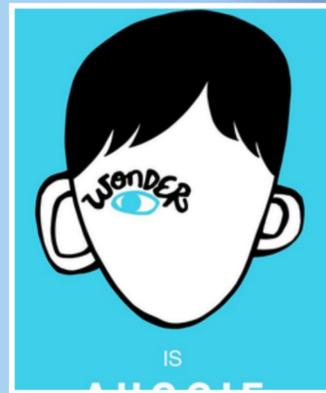
"To kill a mocking bird", written by Harper Lee, is a timeless novel set in the racially challenged atmosphere of the American South during 1930's. The story is narrated by Scout Finch, a young girl, who provides a perspective on events that unfold.



The novel centers around Atticus Finch, Scout's father, a lawyer who defends a black man Tom Robinson who was accused of raping a young white woman. As Atticus fights for justice in a prejudiced society, the narrative explores themes of racial inequality, morality and loss of innocence.

Justin Picardo , 9A

Wonder



"Wonder " written by Raquel J Palacio, is the story of August "Auggie" Pullman, a ten-year-old boy who was born with a facial deformity and that has caused him to be homeschooled his entire life. When Auggie's parents enrol him in a mainstream school, he must navigate the challenges of fitting in with his classmates and dealing with bullying and exclusion. Along the way Auggie makes new friends, learns to cope up with is condition and teaches other kids about the power of acceptance and kindness.

Siddhi Phaltane , 9A



THE UNDISPUTED LEGENDS OF BASKETBALL

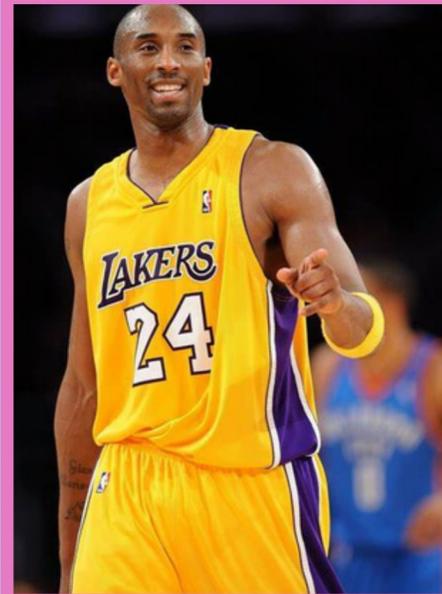
Michael Jordan

Michael Jordan, often referred to as the greatest basketball player of all time, is a name that resonates far beyond the realm of sports. Born on February 17, 1963, in Brooklyn, New York, Jordan's impact on the game of basketball and popular culture is immeasurable. His unparalleled skillset, marked by gravity-defying leaps, pinpoint accuracy, and an indomitable competitive spirit, led him to six NBA championships with the Chicago Bulls in the 1990s, solidifying his legacy. Jordan's influence, however, stretches beyond the court, as he revolutionized athlete endorsements and branding, shaping the modern concept of the sports superstar. His journey, from being cut from his high school basketball team to achieving global iconic status, inspires countless individuals to persevere, excel, and redefine the limits of human achievement.



Deep Rathi, 9A

Kobe Bryant



Kobe Bryant, an iconic figure in basketball history, left an unparalleled legacy during his extraordinary career. Known for his competitiveness, Kobe Bryant, widely regarded as one of the greatest basketball players of all time, had an illustrious career defined by unrivaled skill, competitiveness, and a relentless pursuit of excellence. Throughout his twenty-year career with the Los Angeles Lakers, Kobe amassed a remarkable list of accomplishments, including five NBA championships, two NBA Finals MVP awards, and an astonishing eighteen NBA All-Star selections. Bryant's work ethic and commitment to continuous improvement were unmatched, spending countless hours in the gym perfecting his craft. Kobe Bryant's basketball career will forever be remembered as a testament to greatness and an embodiment of the relentless pursuit of excellence.

Akshat Nahar, 9A

Young Chess Prodigy- Praggnanandhaa: A star on the rise...



In the world of chess, a young sensation is making headlines - Rameshbabu Praggnanandhaa. Coming from India, Praggnanandhaa became the world's second-youngest Grandmaster at just 12 years and 10 months old. Praggnanandhaa's rapid ascent in the chess world is remarkable. He's known for his excellent moves, defeating experienced grandmasters. With each move, he shows a deep understanding of the game. The chess community eagerly watches this 18-year-old star as he competes against the best players worldwide. His dedication, determination, and extraordinary talent make him a standout in the chess world.



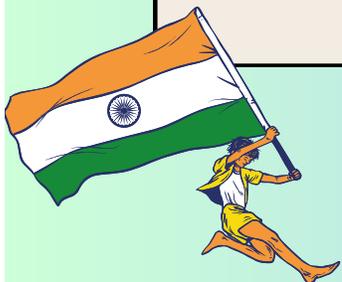
Here are some important values and virtues we can gain from Praggnanandhaa-

- Patience
- Planning
- Willingness to learn
- Grit
- Humbleness.



Independence Day- Reverence and Joy mark Independence Day Ceremonies

ON INDEPENDENCE DAY, ON TUESDAY, 15TH AUGUST 2023, NPS HOSUR ROAD, REAFFIRMED ITS COMMITMENT IN ENSURING TO PRESERVE THE FREEDOM OF THE LAND, IN MEMORY OF ALL THE KNOWN AND UNKNOWN FREEDOM FIGHTERS OF OUR BLESSED NATION. THE CHIEF GUEST, COLONEL SRI RAVI SHANMUGAM, GRACED THE OCCASION AND HOISTED THE NATIONAL FLAG. COLONEL SHANMUGAM'S ADDRESS TO THE ASSEMBLY WAS A SOURCE OF INSPIRATION FOR ALL, ECHOING THE SPIRIT OF RESILIENCE AND DEDICATION THAT SHAPED THE NATION'S HISTORY. THE EVENT SAW A DISTINGUISHED GATHERING, INCLUDING THE MANAGEMENT TRUSTEE, DIRECTOR - PRINCIPAL, VICE PRINCIPAL, COORDINATORS OF NPS HOSUR ROAD. THEIR PRESENCE NOT ONLY ADDED SIGNIFICANCE TO THE CEREMONY BUT ALSO UNDERLINED THE SCHOOL'S COMMITMENT TO NURTURING VALUES OF PATRIOTISM AND RESPONSIBILITY AMONG ITS STUDENTS.



Teacher's Day



Teaching is a very noble profession that shapes the character, calibre, and future of an individual. If people remember me as a good teacher, that will be the biggest honour for me."- Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam-On this day students got an opportunity to express their gratitude towards their mentors who have shaped their lives. Teaching is a noble profession that allows a person to spread knowledge, share wisdom, and build the youngsters as capable and responsible adults in the future. Teacher's Day is celebrated on September 5 to commemorate the birth anniversary of former President Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan. Teachers are special people who dedicate their lives to nurturing their students.



"Teaching kids to count is fine, but teaching them what counts is best." – Bob Talbert





FRIENDSHIP DAY...

In India, Friendship Day falls on the first Sunday in August. This year, it was celebrated on August 6, Sunday, 2023. Apart from India, a few other countries also mark Friendship Day on the same day, including Bangladesh, UAE, Malaysia, and the US. The students conducted a special assembly conveying the joy of cherishing true friends.



GANESH CHATHURTHI

The school celebrated the pious festival with a special ceremony witnessed by all students in the center quadrangle, followed by prasad distribution. Students decorated all the bulletin boards with varieties of Ganesh pictures and write-ups.

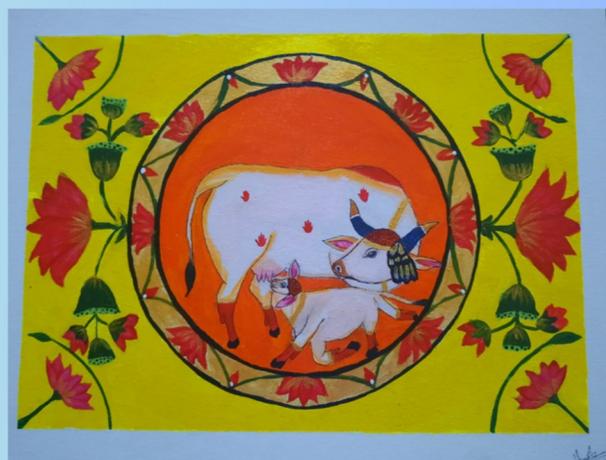




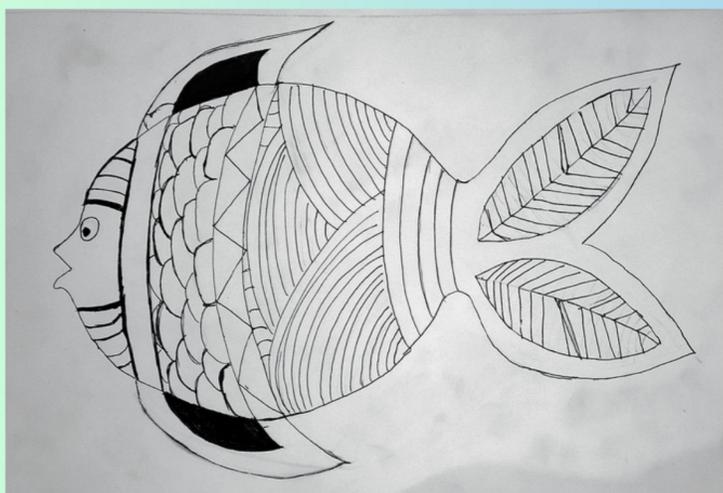
Karnataka State Fire And Emergency Services officials visited National Public School, Hosur Road, for a Mock fire drill and Fire Safety Seminar. The event started with a Mock fire drill in which the all the students and staff of NPS HRD evacuated the building and assembled in the safe assembly area well within 3 mins. This mock fire drill was followed by a presentation by the Senior Fire Officer Mr. Manjunath S. He spoke about the components of a fire, ways to save oneself and others in case of a smoke, and in case of catching fire. The live demonstrations of the rescue methods, use of fire extinguishers and ingenious ways to put off fires, with students and staff as volunteers, drove home the message effectively. Students enjoyed the hands-on learning.



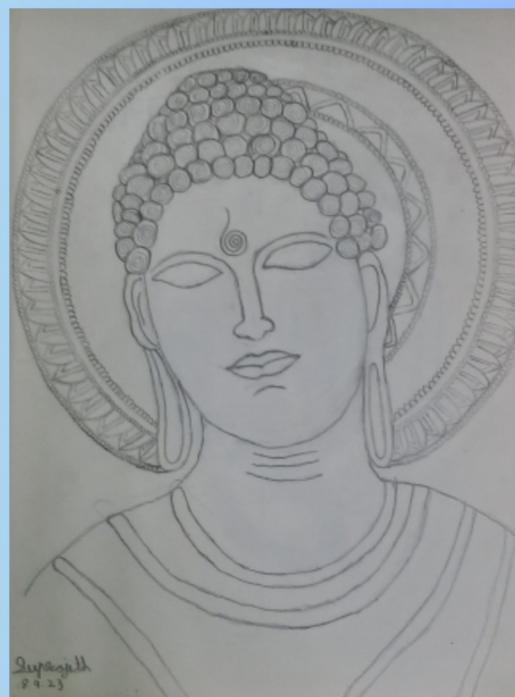
ART is where work meets love.....



Aswini, 9A



Justin, 9A



Suprajith, 9B

**“True beauty radiates
from within and
illuminates the world
around us.”
— Arif Naseem**



Finding Beauty in every Brush Stroke.....



Alfiya, 9B



Suprajith, 9B



Himavarshini Reddy, 9A

**“Life is not a problem to be solved, but a reality to be experienced”
Soren Kierkegaard**



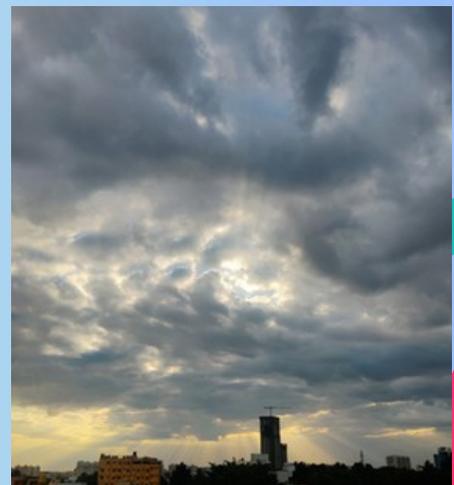
Adjust your focus when life gets blurry.....



Siddhi Phaltane, 9A



Aditi Takur, 9B





Soil, The Cradle of Life !



In the heart of nature's embrace, beneath the sky so wide,
Lies the soil, a treasure hidden, where life and growth reside.
But heed the call of wisdom, for this land we must protect,
With gentle care and stewardship, our duty to reflect.

The soil, a silent hero, sustains all life it meets,
Yet, in our haste and negligence, it faces countless defeats.
Erosion steals its fertile skin, as rain and wind conspire,
To wash away the precious earth, a tragedy most dire.

Let's plant the seeds of awareness, in every heart and mind,
For in the soil's conservation, a better world we'll find.
With terraces and cover crops, we'll shield it from the rain,
And keep the soil intact and strong, a resilient domain!



Ms. Sandhya Shenoy
Dept. of English



“When you are in
survival mode you
numb yourself”

Little hearts and little hands celebrating the great freedom!

“Freedom is the open window through which pours the sunlight of the human spirit and human dignity.”

The Independence Day has a special place in the heart of every Indian. Not only does it symbolize the celebration of wonderful years of freedom but also extends an emphatic message of the progressive future of our country our motherland 77th Independence Day was celebrated with grandeur at Glow Montessori on 14th August,2023. This special day had a sense of happiness and pride on the faces of everyone. Tiny tots were briefed about use of freedom wisely. The traditional attire that the children had adorned, made the event more colourful. The little artists stole the show by singing, dancing and ramp walking in beautiful attires representing different states and tricolour. Children were fascinated to be making the Independence Day craft and taking them home gave them a sense of patriotism in their hearts.



Role play-Community Helpers (KG1)

As the culmination of the EVS topic "Community Helpers" KG1 students of GMCHRD had a 'role play' activity throughout the week from 28th August to 1st September 2023. to enhance their knowledge. It was organized in such a way that children used tools of different helpers and introduced themselves. They enacted their roles with props like- Stethoscope, thermometer, envelope, etc. The value of 'Respect for all Helpers' was inculcated in them by making them aware that all jobs are important and worthy of respect. They enjoyed the enactment using different props and displayed immense self-confidence while narrating and enacting.



Role play-Road Safety rules (KG2)



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Onam Celebration 2023-24 (Mont and Kindergarten)



Onam the festival of happiness, peace and prosperity was celebrated with great enthusiasm at GMCHRD on 28th September 2023. On this special occasion children were educated with the significance of the festival of Onam. Together with the teachers the children decorated pookalam (flower Rangoli) with fresh flower petals. Lamp was lit and placed on the pookalam, giving an atmost spiritual ambience to the occasion. The Teachers dressed in traditional attire of Kerala along with children joined in the Thiruvathira dance and sang the traditional Onam songs.





Kindergarten - Janmashtami Celebration



Janmashtami is celebrated as the birthday of Lord Krishna, one of the most powerful and famous reincarnations of Lord Vishnu. To seek the blessings of Lord Krishna, Janmashtami was celebrated at the GMCHRD on 7th September 2023 with mirth and joy. The fragrance of flowers, soothing aroma of camphor and the jingle of bells filled the air. The premise was decorated beautifully, and the spirit of festivity was enhanced with by depicting life history of Lord Krishna. The celebration that followed was truly entertaining and educating. Teachers performed pooja and distributed prasad to the little ones. Children sang bajhan of Lord Krishna. The purpose of the flamboyant celebration was to inculcate value of sharing and respect in the students.

Family Day



“Being a family means you are a part of something very wonderful. It means you will love and be loved for the rest of your life.” - Lisa Weed

As a culmination of the topic “My Family” a Family Day was organised in GMCHRD on 15th September 2023 for KG1. The Family Day enabled the students to recognize that the family provides a sense of belonging and a unique identity to them. It also created a special emotional feeling in the students about their family.

The celebration started with a prayer and with a warm welcome from the principal who emphasized the importance of family and community involvement in a child's education. The fun family time started with Ganesh pooja. It was a great joy to see Grandparents light the lamp and involve themselves in the pooja. Bulletin Boards were decorated with pictures and quotes depicting the importance of this day. Fun filled activities were prepared by the teachers to instil the message that family is like branches on a tree that grows in different directions yet the root remains the same.

It was a day full of fun and excitement for the students and would be a memorable day in their life. In today's fast-growing world, such activities revive and rekindle the importance of love and affection among the members of a family.





Montessori Independence Day Celebration



The 77th Independence Day was celebrated at the Glow Montessori with great pomp and pride. The Montessori children and teachers came dressed in tricolours of our National Flag.

In class children were involved in making crafts based on Independence Day - tricolour orchids, fingerprint and tearing and pasting the crepe papers on the outline of our Flag, which embarked the joy of celebration.

A special assembly was conducted where the teachers explained the significance of the Independence Day and what each of the colours in our National Flag represents. The Seniors exhibited their public speaking skills by talking about our 'National symbols'. They spoke eloquently with props like a picture of Tiger, wore a head gear of peacock and so on. Juniors and Freshers sang the patriotic song 'Nanha munna rahi hu', beaming with glee and pride.

The program concluded by singing the National Anthem and the slogan 'Vande Matharam' which echoed in the corridors of GMC.



Dr. Maria Montessori's Birthday Celebration

Dr. Maria Montessori who was Italian physician and educator, is best known for developing the Montessori method of education. At Glow Montessori Centre we felt that celebrating Dr. Maria Montessori's birthday a wonderful way to honour her contributions to education, and her innovative teaching methods.

On this occasion all the Montessori children gathered for the celebration. The Montessori Mentor Anjana Ma'am lit the candle, and spoke about Dr Montessori and the materials made by her. The children sang the birthday song and thanked Dr. Montessori for all the materials that they work with. They also watched a video about the life and the works of Maria Montessori.



**"Freedom in mind, Faith in our heart, Memories in our souls.
Let's salute the Nation on Independence day"**

Varamahalakshmi Celebration

Varamahalakshmi Pooja is an important Hindu festival, celebrated primarily in the southern states of India. The festival is dedicated to goddess Varamahalakshmi, who is believed to bestow blessings, wealth, and prosperity upon her devotees. At GMC, the festival was celebrated with the Montessori children and teachers coming dressed in traditional wear. A small symbolic mandapa was set up, with the idol of goddess Lakshmi, and decorated with flowers. Our respected Principal Usha Ma'am, Vice Principal Nirmala Ma'am and Montessori Mentor Anjana Ma'am joined the celebrations. After lighting the lamp, children and teachers collectively recited the Lakshmi Stuti and song 'Bhagyadalakshmi Baramma', a devotional moment resonating with the spiritual aspect of the celebration. As part of the celebrations, the children painted lotus, decorated a cut-out of the kalash in paper, and decorated thorans, to mark the occasion. Fruits and sweets were offered and sought blessings. The kindergarten children joined the celebrations too.



Montessori Janmashtami Celebration

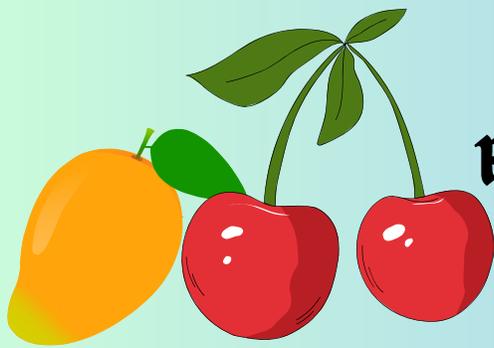
Sweeter than honey, tastier than curd, pleasanter indeed than any happiness and joy is the company, so is the power in the name of Krishna. The birthday of Lord Krishna was celebrated with great devotion and enthusiasm, at the Glow Montessori Centre.

The Montessori children came dressed up as Lord Krishna and Radha, complete with flutes, ornaments, peacock feathers and mutkas. Butter offered to the idol of Lord Krishna which was placed on a well decorated chowki added a flair to the setting. The significance of the birth of Lord Krishna was narrated by teachers to serve as a delightful means to introduce culture aspects and instil values.

The excited students participated enthusiastically in craft work and made peacock feathers, mutkas and made footprints of Lord Krishna on paper and pasted cotton on the butter pot.

The spirit of festivity was enhanced with children singing and dancing for the bhajans of Lord Krishna. The celebrations ended with delicious prasadam made from Krishna's favourite 'rice flakes and jaggery' distributed to the community of GMC.



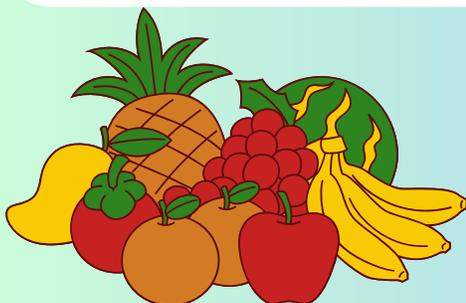


Fruit Days



Throughout the month of August, our young learners from Montessori embarked on a journey to explore various fruits such as apple, banana, papaya, watermelon, guava etc, during Fruit Day activities. Each child was tasked with bringing one whole fruit to school, which led to fruitful discussions about different parts of the fruits while cutting them in class. These discussions encouraged children to apply their thinking skills and ask relevant and effective questions about each fruit they encountered. Children also shared their preferences for certain fruits while cutting them and were able to connect these conversations with their families and farms where the fruits were grown. The Seniors were given an opportunity to discuss fruit, thereby improving their public speaking abilities.

As a culmination of Fruit Day festivities, we incorporated 'Fruit Salad Day,' which required children's teamwork in preparing the salad. Some engaged in peeling or cutting fruits while others mixed them together or added toppings like dry fruits brought from home. The excitement was palpable throughout as children got to share their creations with classmates regardless of whether they liked or disliked certain types of fruit.



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Ganesh Chaturthi Celebration

Wisdom like Ganesha is what we all must desire.' Ganesh Chaturthi is a Hindu festival that marks the birthday of Lord Ganesha, the symbol of wisdom, bestows his presence on Earth during this festival and removes the obstacles. With such belief the Montessori wing of GMC organised various activities on the auspicious occasion of Ganesh Chaturthi.

The festivities commence with the Ganpathi puja in the quadrangle, accompanied by soulful renditions of Ganesh Shlokas and hymns, followed by Prasad 'Panchkajjaya' distribution to all. The pupils were educated on the importance of Ganesh Chaturthi and engaged in the art of clay sculpting, fashioning Ganesha using shapes that they had previously learned while also affixing lentils onto the outline of Lord Ganesha.

The day culminated on a joyous note as all children sang merily to the tunes of 'Namo bulky stomach Ganapathi'. The atmosphere was brimming with devotion, creativity and frolicsome fun.



UPCOMING EVENTS

