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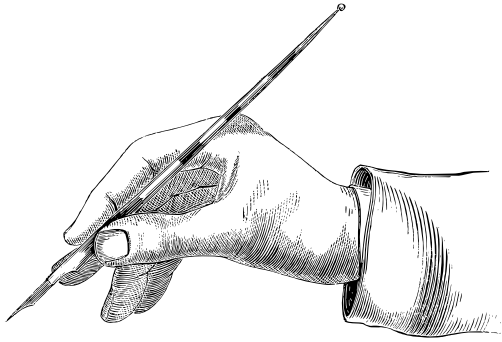
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Behind The Pen



“Fill your paper with the breathings of your heart”, said the poet William Wordsworth and that’s exactly what we have attempted to do in this edition of our newsletter.

When words become the viaducts of thoughts, stories of great charm and rationalized musings emerge in varieties of colours. Pen-portraits, scientific revelations and magnetic designs vie with each other for a place in our newsletter. Creativity leads the hands of intelligence to defy the rules of gravity and perform in an ecstatic manner.

The ideas you find in the musings of each student-writer are unique and enchanting yet progressive in nature. From science to artistic creations each column will fill you with wonder and promote your thinking skills to pull you into the depths of analysis.

Let us visit Spotlight, scroll through Campus Chronicles, listen to Voices and Views, go through Buzz Boards, admire Canvas and Quills, to watch On the Horizon.

Happy Reading.....

Grade 11 & 12 Editorial Team



At The Helm

*The Age of Overindulgence:
In shielding our children from struggle, are we
denying them strength?*

In today’s world of smaller families and faster lives, parenting has taken a new turn. With fewer children and limited family time, many parents unknowingly compensate with overindulgence — fulfilling every wish, protecting from every discomfort, and cushioning every fall. What begins as affection often turns into overprotection, creating children who struggle to face any challenge, delay, or denial.

The era of instant gratification has subtly shaped a generation that expects everything — swiftly and effortlessly. Patience, resilience, and effort are being overshadowed by convenience and entitlement. The word “NO” — once vital to building discipline and emotional strength — has almost disappeared from our vocabulary at home.

As experienced educators, we recognize that although love and care are essential in raising children, overindulgence or excessive pampering can foster a sense of postponed responsibility and diminished resilience. When these children enter schools or social environments, challenges in adjustment become apparent. Sharing space, accepting feedback, or dealing with disappointment frequently seems unbearable. Emotional stress escalates as a result of unfulfilled expectations.

Educators today are tasked not only with delivering knowledge but also with reconstructing fundamental life skills — such as empathy, respect, and perseverance — that were once instinctively learned through family and community interactions. This trend raises a deeper question: are we preparing our children for the real world, or protecting them from it? When comfort replaces character and gratification replaces gratitude, society moves towards quiet self-destruction. The very values that once defined us — humility, respect, and resilience — are at risk of fading.

Balanced parenting that promotes independence and self-regulation is essential for raising well-rounded and capable adults. While schools can provide guidance and support, the foundation must be established at home through a combination of steadiness and discipline. Research data indicates that children who undergo over-indulgence frequently exhibit emotional fragility and struggle to cope with adversity in their professional environments.

Let us, then, be mindful of the values we model and the habits we cultivate - for they shape the society we leave behind.

Mrs. Usha Mahesh Reddy
Director - Principal

Class Assembly

"Collaboration begins with mutual understanding and respect."

Class assemblies are an indelible part of the school educational system to promote individual talent and cohesive teamwork. Grades 11 and 12 displayed excellent capacity and zeal during their assembly. With a background illustrating the theme of 'Empowering Self' through a collage of eminent world personalities who dedicated their lives to the upliftment of society and humanity, the students communicated the moral message of being socially proactive and responsible. The presentation weaved the thought for the day, a speech, a memory of Hiroshima Day, a skit, an ensemble of song and feet tapping dance together to convey the theme in an entertaining manner.



Independence Day

The Independence Day celebration began with the ceremonial flag hoisting, instilling pride and reverence among all. Students of all age groups enthusiastically participated in a well-curated cultural program featuring patriotic songs, speeches, a skit, and a spirited dance performance. Centered around the theme "Freedom with Responsibility," the event beautifully conveyed the importance of unity, sacrifice, and civic duty.



Ganesh Chaturthi



The festive spirit of Ganesh Chaturthi filled the air as the school celebrated the festival. The Director-Principal, Mrs. Usha Mahesh Reddy and Grade 12 students lit the ceremonial lamp symbolizing Lord Ganesha's divine presence and performed the pooja. Students sang devotional songs to receive divine blessings. Dr.Chitra and Mr.Sankarshnan Srikanth performed a short Carnatic recital diffusing the divine presence of the lord. The program ended with distribution of the prasad, leaving the students happy with cherished memories.

Teachers' Day

Celebrating the Guiding Lights in Our Lives: Teachers.

Teachers' Day is a heartfelt acknowledgment of the tireless dedication and passion of educators who shape our minds and futures. They inspire, motivate, and mentor us, helping us discover our potential and passions. Through their guidance, they not only foster academic success but also nurture our personal and social growth.

This day is a celebration of the selfless contributions teachers make in shaping brighter futures. As students, we express our deepest gratitude for the wisdom, support, and encouragement we receive. The special program organized by the students communicated deep love and respect, honouring the pedagogues' ineffaceable influence in our lives.



Dussehra Celebrations



Dussehra, or Vijayadashami, is a celebration of the timeless triumph of good over evil and the victory of knowledge over ignorance. On the auspicious morning, the campus of NPS HRD resonated with devotion as students and staff gathered for a traditional puja ceremony. The event commenced with the Arti, performed with great reverence, invoking divine blessings for the entire school community. This was followed by the soulful chanting of keerthanas, led by a group of students and teachers. As a fitting conclusion to the ceremony, students of Grades 11 and 12 proceeded to offer their personal prayers.

Diwali Celebrations



The students of NPS HRD celebrated Diwali with great enthusiasm and creativity, filling the school with light and joy. The entire campus was beautifully decorated as students lit diyas across classrooms, corridors, and open spaces, creating a warm and festive atmosphere. The highlight of the celebration was a stunning, large rangoli made in the middle of the school quadrangle. Designed with vibrant colours and intricate patterns, it reflected the spirit of Diwali—unity, happiness, and the triumph of light over darkness.

Grade-Wise Getaways

Picnics and field trips play an important role in a student's holistic development by extending learning beyond the classroom. They provide real-world experiences that help students connect academic concepts to everyday life. Such outings also encourage social interaction, teamwork, and independence in a relaxed environment. Additionally, they give students a refreshing break that boosts motivation and well-being. This year, students across all grades enjoyed age-appropriate picnic destinations, ensuring each group had meaningful and enjoyable experiences.



ACT TO IMPACT Donation Drive



Grade 10 students led a heartwarming initiative, "ACT TO IMPACT," by organizing a donation drive to support the children at Samarthanam Trust for the Disabled. They collected and donated clothing, stationery, and non-perishable food items, all of which were personally handed over to the Trust. This initiative fostered empathy, kindness, and social responsibility, as students contributed to improving the lives of those who are less fortunate. The activity left a lasting impact on our students, demonstrating that even small acts of kindness can create meaningful change. We applaud our Grade 10 students for their compassion, commitment, and dedication to making a difference.

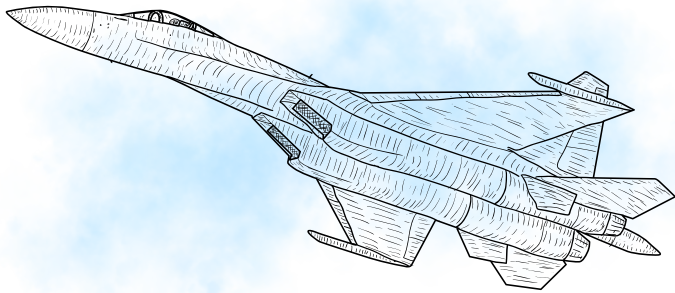
Primary Inter Class Competitions

Students from Grades 1 to 5 participated in a range of exciting and creative activities that showcased their talents and imagination. The Storytelling with Puppets event for Grades 1–3 allowed young learners to bring stories to life through expression and voice. Grades 4 and 5 explored healthy creativity in Salad Making, demonstrating their spontaneity and communication skills in the JAM (Just A Minute) Competition. The Fancy Dress event for Grades 3–5 encouraged students to express themselves through costumes and short performances, while the Creative Canvas activity for Grades 1 and 2 gave budding artists a chance to paint their imaginations. Students of Grades 4 and 5 crafted beautiful Rangoli designs with flowers, celebrating tradition and aesthetics, and Grades 2–5 showcased rhythm and teamwork in Folk Dance performances. Across Grades 1–5, the Poster Making Competition promoted visual expression of ideas and messages, while the Wordsmith Challenge for Grades 3–5 enhanced language and vocabulary skills through engaging word games. Together, these activities nurtured creativity, confidence, and cultural appreciation among all participants.



Vengeance Delivered

On April 22, 2025, terrorists struck Pahalgam, killing 26 innocent civilians, including tourists, in a ruthless bid to disrupt peace and scare away progress. In swift retaliation, India launched Operation Sindoor on May 7—targeting and destroying nine terror camps across Pakistan and PoK. Over 100 terrorists from Jaish-e-Mohammed and Lashkar-e-Taiba were neutralized. The tri-force operation, involving the Army, Navy, and Air Force, showcased India's unmatched coordination and resolve. Hailed by victims' families as "the beginning of the end of terror," this bold strike reaffirmed India's zero-tolerance stance and sent a clear message—terror will never go unanswered.



The operation also included intense security drills and surveillance missions along the borders, ensuring no escape routes for fleeing militants. International observers acknowledged India's right to defend its citizens and sovereignty. As the nation mourned its loss, it also stood united in pride—honouring the bravery of its forces and the memory of the victims with justice delivered.

Daksh Rajput, 12A

Why do we dream?

Have you ever had a strange dream and wondered why?

Dreams have fascinated scientists for centuries. They help us process emotions, store memories, and sometimes stimulate situations we've never experienced before. During REM sleep, our eyes flutter rapidly, making our brain active, almost like we're awake. The emotional part of brain (amygdala) is highly active, while the prefrontal cortex, our logical center, slows down. This causes wild, illogical scenarios.



Research proves that everyone dreams, even if they don't remember it and almost spend two hours every night dreaming. Since there's no proven explanation, dreams continue to be a mystery which captivates the scientific world.

Navami Anand, 12A

Emotional Intelligence



Emotional Intelligence(EI) is the ability to recognize, understand, and manage both our own emotions and our response to those of others. It is essential for building strong relationships, making thoughtful decisions, and handling stress effectively. Key components of EI include self-awareness, which helps individuals regulate emotions and respond wisely to situations, and empathy, which strengthens communication and teamwork. Emotionally intelligent people are better at resolving conflicts, adapting to change, and maintaining resilience under pressure. In professional settings, EI contributes to leadership, productivity, and a positive work environment. In conclusion, emotional intelligence is a vital skill that enhances relationships, decision-making, and overall well-being. Developing EI leads to personal growth, improved social interactions, and success in both personal and professional life

Dheemant Guleriya, 12A

The Immortal Jellyfish

The *Turritopsis Dohrnii*, a type of species of the cnidaria phylum (hermaphrodite), 4.5mm in size and width, has the capability of rejuvenating itself by turning back into its early polyp life stage. Let me make it easier. All cnidarians have 2 stages in their life cycle, polyp (juvenile) and medusa (matured physiologically; the ones we know as jellyfishes). Polyps are attached to the seabed while medusae are free moving. Not all jellyfishes (medusae) can turn back into polyps after attaining maturity except *Turritopsis Dohrnii*. This is possible due to a molecular biological process called 'Telomerase Capping' and the ability of the species to master it. These little organisms are found all around the oceans and salt water bodies of the world. They get their nutrition from sea plankton and other small organisms, and are preyed on by other marine animals and sea slugs. While the species is said to be immortal, it can still be preyed upon or succumb to natural death, the immortality is rather a biological trick than true immortality.



Ojasvini Singh, 12A

The Impact of AI-Driven Layoffs on IT and Computer Science Graduates

The rapid advancement of Artificial Intelligence (AI) has led to significant workforce reductions across the tech industry, raising concerns about the future of jobs in IT and computer science. Major companies, including Google, Microsoft, and Amazon, have laid off thousands of employees, attributing these cuts to AI-driven automation. Roles in software development, data analysis, and technical support are increasingly being handled by AI-powered tools, reducing the demand for human labour in routine and repetitive tasks.

AI's ability to automate coding (e.g., GitHub Copilot), testing, and even customer service has made many traditional IT roles redundant. Startups and large corporations alike are leveraging AI to reduce operational costs, leading to fewer entry-level job openings. A 2023 report by McKinsey estimated that AI could displace up to 30% of tech-related jobs by 2030, particularly those involving predictable, rule-based tasks.

While AI is eliminating some jobs, it is also creating new opportunities in AI development, cybersecurity, and AI ethics. The demand for AI specialists, machine learning engineers, and data scientists is growing rapidly. Additionally, roles requiring human creativity, complex problem-solving, and strategic oversight will remain resilient. However, graduates must adapt by acquiring skills in AI integration, cloud computing, and ethical AI governance to stay competitive.



Sarvesh B., 12A

For computer science graduates, the job market will be more competitive and skill-driven. Merely knowing programming languages will not be enough; graduates must:

- Upskill in AI and machine learning.
- Develop expertise in emerging fields like quantum computing and blockchain.
- Enhance soft skills (critical thinking, collaboration) that AI cannot replicate.

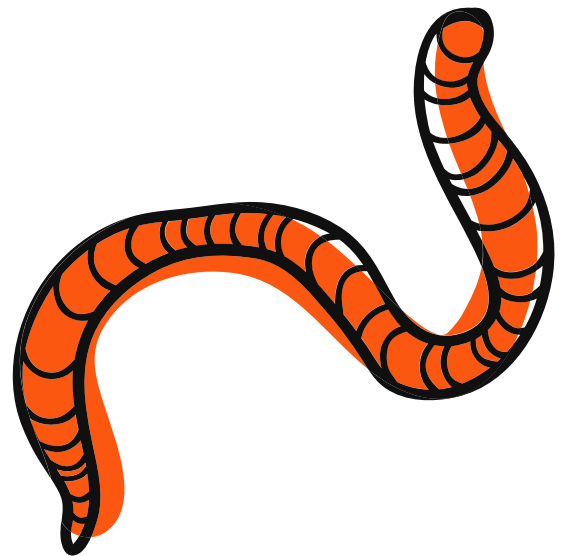
AI is reshaping the IT sector, making some jobs obsolete while creating new ones. Graduates who embrace lifelong learning and specialize in high-demand areas will thrive, while those resistant to change may struggle.

The future belongs to those who can work alongside AI, not against it.

Who knew the Worms would Save the Day?

Waxworms and mealworms have gut bacteria that can produce plastic degrading enzymes. The reason behind not being able to easily decompose plastic is due to its long, strong hydrocarbon chain that doesn't easily react with anything. Hence, nothing can easily decompose it. But the worm's gut bacteria can! It is because they release enzymes like:

- Polyethylene-degrading oxidases:
It inserts oxygen atoms into the plastic's carbon chain, making them more reactive.
- Depolymerases:
It cuts the polymer chain into small pieces(monomers) like ethylene glycol.
- Lipase-like enzymes:
Actually for breaking down fats but surprisingly also works on plastic as both have similar hydrocarbon structures.



This just proves that all problems have solutions. Most of it is with mother nature herself. All we need is a creative spirit to find them!

Nayanika B.N., 12A

Power Of Cakes

What springs to your mind when you hear the word cake? Birthday parties, Christmas, New Year? Cakes are celebratory dishes served on ceremonial occasions. This dish has a long history. It is believed to have originated in ancient Egypt, and was also popular in ancient Greece and ancient Rome. These cakes were essentially sweetened bread made with honey, nuts and fruits. Now there are countless cake varieties- Cream cakes, plain cakes, butter cakes, sponge cakes, layer cakes and so on. Each place will have a unique type of cake with its own taste. Now this sweet, celebratory dish is not only capable of bringing in cavities and excess weight but is also somewhat responsible for the French Revolution.

In the eighteenth century, while the common people of France were suffering due to hunger and lack of food, the royals were busy living lavish lives and were depleting the royal treasury with their extravagant lifestyles. The ruler Louis XVI was a weak and inadequate ruler who was influenced by his wife and his nobles. When word reached Queen Mary Antoinette that her citizens were starving due to lack of bread, she casually remarked, "Then let them eat Cake". This enraged the mob and the royal family had to flee. They were imprisoned in Tuileries Palace. After this they attempted to escape, but were caught. The King's attempted flight provoked charges of treason that ultimately led to his execution in 1793. His queen Mary Antoinette too, was executed later. This is how cake brought about a turning point in the history of France. So, the next time you celebrate with a sweet, deliciously mouthwatering cake, remember what it did to Louis XVI's family.

Nesha Oviyah Immanuel, 11A

Majorana Quantum Chip

A Breakthrough in Quantum Computing:

In the race to build the next generation of computers, the Majorana quantum chip represents a major leap forward. Developed using exotic particles called Majorana zero modes, this new type of chip promises to solve one of quantum computing's biggest challenges: error correction. Traditional quantum bits, or qubits, are notoriously fragile. They're easily disrupted by their environment, which leads to frequent errors in quantum calculations. Majorana-based qubits, however, offer topological protection—a kind of built-in error resistance that could make quantum computers far more stable and scalable.

The name comes from Ettore Majorana, the Italian physicist who first theorized the existence of particles that are their own antiparticles. In recent years, scientists have engineered systems where these quasi-particles emerge in special superconducting materials. By using these Majorana modes, researchers have designed quantum circuits that are less prone to noise and decoherence.

What This Means for the Future

If successfully scaled, the Majorana quantum chip could revolutionize the field. Here's what it could mean:

- Faster progress toward useful quantum computers that outperform classical ones in chemistry, cryptography, logistics, and AI.
- Reduced overhead for error correction, allowing more efficient use of quantum resources.
- Longer-lasting qubits, making quantum systems more practical outside of lab environments.

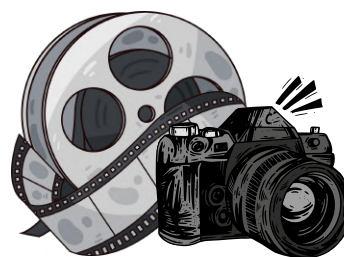
While the technology is still in its early stages, companies like Microsoft and academic labs worldwide are investing heavily in the approach. If Majorana-based systems live up to their promise, they could be the foundation for the first truly fault-tolerant quantum computer—marking the beginning of the quantum era.

Agastya Bali, 11A

Future Careers

Future Careers – Exploring new opportunities

The world is changing rapidly, and so are the opportunities before us. Traditional careers like medicine, engineering, and teaching will always remain important, but the future is opening doors to exciting new fields. With the rise of technology, careers in artificial intelligence, robotics, space science, biotechnology, and cybersecurity are growing faster than ever. At the same time, creative professions such as digital design, filmmaking, entrepreneurship, and content creation are gaining importance.



What makes the future truly exciting is that many jobs that will emerge tomorrow don't even exist today! That's why building skills like problem-solving, communication, adaptability, and creativity will matter just as much as academic knowledge. Students should remember that no career is too small or too unusual—what matters most is choosing a path that matches your passion and strengths. Whether you dream of becoming a scientist, artist, entrepreneur, or teacher, the future belongs to those who are ready to learn and adapt. As Peter Drucker said, "The best way to predict the future is to create it." So, let's dream big, stay curious, and prepare to shape the world of tomorrow.

Sudiksha K., 11A

Football

Football is one of the most popular and widely loved sports in the world, often described as the global game. It is played between two teams of eleven players each, with the main objective of scoring goals by moving the ball into the opponent's net. Known as soccer in some countries, football requires a blend of skill, teamwork, endurance, and strategy. The game is played on a rectangular grass or artificial turf field, with a goal at each end.

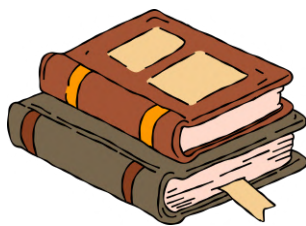


Beyond the physical contest, football creates unity across cultures, inspiring passion and community spirit among millions of fans. Major tournaments like the FIFA World Cup and Continental Championships bring together nations, showcasing both talent and national pride. At the same time, local leagues provide opportunities for young players to grow and dream of professional success. Football's simplicity, requiring little more than a ball and space, ensures its universal appeal and enduring power to connect people everywhere.

Yash G. C., 12A

Power Of Reading

Reading is one of the most powerful habits a student can develop. It opens doors to knowledge, imagination, and creativity. Through books, newspapers, and articles, we gain awareness of the world around us and learn lessons from people who lived in different times and cultures. Reading also improves vocabulary and communication skills, which are essential in today's competitive world.



Moreover, it nurtures empathy by allowing us to step into the lives of others and understand their struggles. In an age dominated by technology, taking time to read, helps us slow down and think deeply. Therefore, students should cultivate the practice of reading daily, for it is truly the key to lifelong learning and personal growth.

Joel Isaac, 11A

Cloudburst



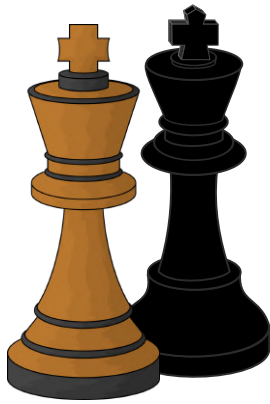
A cloudburst involves a sudden, heavy downpour of precipitation, sometimes accompanied by hail and thunder, which can cause flooding. This intense rainfall usually results from rapid condensation of water vapour in saturated clouds, often triggered by strong upward air currents or orographic lift over mountains. The primary cause is climate change, which increases atmospheric moisture and leads to more extreme weather conditions. Additionally, deforestation and unplanned development, especially in mountainous areas, worsen the impact of cloudbursts. Recent incidents have occurred in Uttarakhand (Dharali) and Jammu and Kashmir (Kistawar).

We can mitigate these risks by adopting Sustainable Land Use Practices (SLUP), which reduce vulnerability to cloudbursts. These include avoiding construction in flood-prone areas, controlling deforestation, and implementing soil conservation measures.

Shivanshi Singh, 11A

Rising Stars of Chess

The world of chess is witnessing a surge of young talent making their mark on the global stage. From prodigies like Praggnanandhaa R. of India and Nodirbek Abdusattorov of Uzbekistan to emerging talents like Bibisara Assaubayeva, these young minds are redefining the game with creativity and bold strategies.



Their achievements in international tournaments showcase exceptional skill, discipline, and dedication. With increasing access to digital platforms and expert coaching, the next generation of chess players is evolving faster than ever. These rising stars not only inspire aspiring players but also promise an exciting future for the game worldwide.

Kaushik, 11A

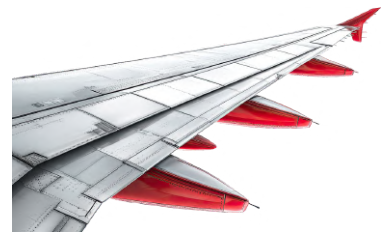
Quantum Physics

Quantum physics is the study of the tiniest parts of the universe, such as atoms, electrons, and photons. Unlike everyday objects, these particles do not always behave in predictable ways. They can exist in two states at once, move like waves, or suddenly change when observed. This strange behaviour may sound confusing, but it helps explain how nature truly works at its deepest level. Quantum physics is the foundation for many technologies we use today, like lasers, computers, and mobile phones. It is also the reason we can explore ideas like quantum computing and teleportation. Although it seems mysterious, quantum physics shows us that the universe is much more surprising and fascinating than it first appears.

Akshat Chaturvedi, 11A

Fighter Jet - Aerodynamics

Fighter jet aerodynamics is a delicate balancing act of maximizing speed and agility while minimizing drag and radar visibility. Unlike commercial airliners designed for stability and fuel efficiency, the aerodynamic features of fighter jets are engineered for superior maneuverability, high-speed performance, and combat effectiveness across multiple flight regimes, including subsonic, transonic, and supersonic speeds.



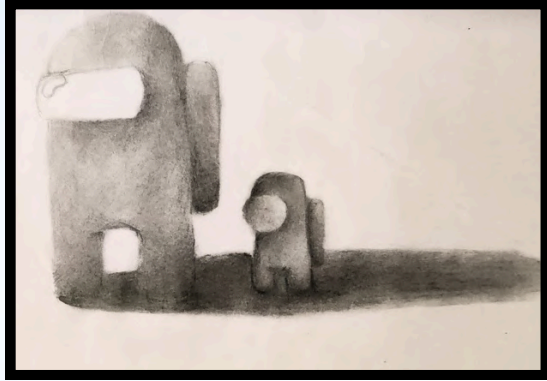
Over the decades, the design of fighter jets has evolved dramatically. During World War II, aircrafts like the Supermarine Spitfire and Messerschmitt Bf 109 relied on propeller engines and focused primarily on agility and speed within the subsonic range. The introduction of jet propulsion in the late 1940s revolutionized aerial combat, leading to aircraft like the Mikoyan-Gurevich MiG-15 and the North American F-86 Sabre, which redefined air superiority during the Korean War. By the Cold War era, designs such as the McDonnell Douglas F-4 Phantom II and the Sukhoi Su-27 showcased powerful engines, advanced aerodynamics, and the growing role of radar-guided missiles.

In the late 20th and early 21st centuries, manufacturers like Lockheed Martin, Sukhoi, MiG, and Dassault pushed the boundaries further. Lockheed Martin's F-22 Raptor and F-35 Lightning II introduced stealth technology, integrating radar-absorbing materials and carefully contoured surfaces to evade detection. The Sukhoi Su-57, Russia's answer to fifth-generation design, combines supermaneuverability with stealth features, while Dassault's Rafale embodies versatility, capable of switching between air-to-air and air-to-ground roles seamlessly. MiG's evolution—from the agile MiG-21 to the modern MiG-35—illustrates the transition from raw speed to multirole sophistication.

These advancements reflect how aerial combat has changed from close-range dogfights to beyond-visual-range engagements guided by advanced sensors, data links, and stealth. From the piston-engine fighters of World War II to today's stealthy, networked, supersonic machines of 2025, the evolution of fighter jet design tells the story of technological innovation and the ever-changing demands of modern warfare.

Aryadita, 12A

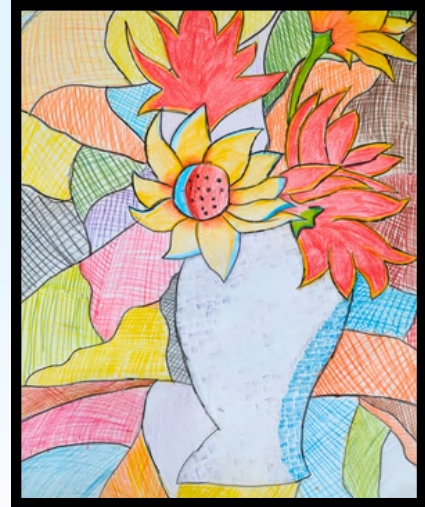
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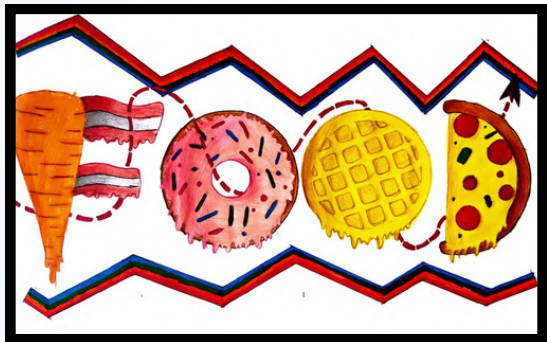
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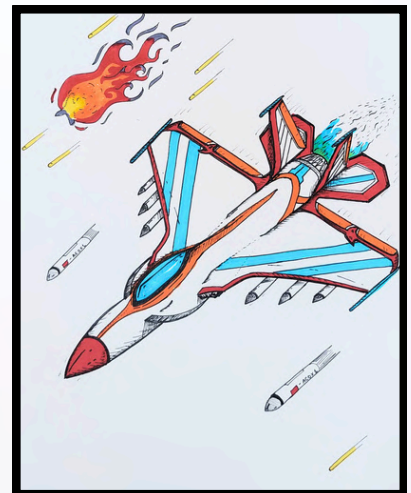
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Little Legends Singles Shuttle Badminton Tournament



Advith Nayak of 2A participated in the “Little Legends Under 9 - Singles Shuttle Badminton Tournament” conducted by ‘Shuttle Smash Championship’ and secured the Runner-Up position.

Karate Kata



Kyra Gupta of 2D participated in the “Karate Kata Category - 6yrs” conducted by ‘Unity Karate Club’ and secured Second place.

Global Star Offline Cup 2025



Ananya A.L. of 6A participated in the “Global Star Offline Cup 2025” and secured First position.

South Zone CBSE Chess Tournament

Shashini Puvi of 7A participated in the “South Zone CBSE Chess Tournament” conducted by SPSSR and secured First position.



Karnataka State Taekwondo Championship



Hridaan M. of class 5C participated in the “Karnataka State Taekwondo Championship”, achieving Second place in both the ‘Fighting’ and ‘Poomsae’ categories.

Tata Building India School Essay Competition 2025-26

NPS Hosur Road participated in the Tata Building India School Essay Competition 2025-26 in English, with students performing excellently and achieving both Winner and Runner-Up positions.



Winners:
Abhilakshit Ranjan – 8A
Krsna A. Thakur – 9A

First Runners Up:
Manvita K.S. – 8B
Veeksha Hosamane – 9B



Second Runners Up:
Shravya Nasm – 7B
Veer Patil – 10B



Varamahalakshmi Celebration

Our kindergartners celebrated the auspicious occasion of Varamahalakshmi Pooja on 7th August 2025 with great devotion and enthusiasm. The event began with the students actively participating in the pooja, offering their prayers with their sincere hearts. The entire atmosphere was a blend of spiritual and devotion expression. Melodious singing by one of our teachers created an ambience of reverence. The beautifully decorated pooja setup, adorned with flowers and lamps, further added to the sanctity of the occasion. After the pooja, delicious prasad was distributed to all the students. They received it with joy, adding to the communal spirit of the celebration. This event connected our students with the rich traditions and values that are an integral part of our heritage. The Varamahalakshmi Pooja at our school was a memorable event, filled with devotion, joy, and the shared experience of a beautiful tradition.



Independence Day



GMC was filled with patriotism and pride as we celebrated India's 79th Independence Day with great enthusiasm and heartfelt reverence. Each day was filled with engaging and age-appropriate activities to help our little learners understand the meaning of freedom and patriotism. Students participated in various games, crafts and art activities, allowing them to express their love for the country creatively. The tiny tots joyfully shared insights about India's National Symbols, great leaders of our country and the importance of Independence Day in a simple way bringing the spirit of our Nation to life in their own unique way. Their voices echoed with emotion as they sang the patriotic songs "Three colours", Kannada song- "Vesha Bere" and Hindi song- "Bharath Pyara" followed by a heartfelt rendition of the National Anthem that united everyone in a moment of reflection and pride. The celebration continued with engaging hands-on activities that sparked creativity and deepened the students' connection to the day's significance. From crafting tricolour leaves with inspiring patriotic messages, each activity symbolized peace, unity, and progress. Through stories, songs, and art, the essence of patriotism was deeply sown in their hearts. Our students not only celebrated the occasion but also imbibed values of unity, respect, and pride for our Nation.

Ganesh Chaturthi



Ganesh Chaturthi, the festival that marks the birth of Lord Ganesha, was celebrated with great devotion and enthusiasm in our school. The week-long celebration commenced with narrating the story of Lord Ganesha, highlighting the significance of the festival, and exploring the various ways it is celebrated across the country. Students were also sensitized about the importance of using eco-friendly Ganesha idols to protect the environment. On the day of the celebration, a beautifully adorned idol of Lord Ganesha was brought to the school. The teachers, along with the students, performed the pooja with devotion and reverence. To add to the festive spirit, students participated in creative craft activities and engaging games. The school premises were decorated with vibrant flowers, adding charm to the occasion. The celebration concluded with the distribution of delicious prasad, which was relished by everyone. The event created a joyful and devotional atmosphere, bringing together both teachers and students in the true spirit of the festival.

Bright Eyes Awareness for Young Stars



As part of our health and well-being initiatives, GMC organized an Eye Care Awareness session for students, led by Dr. Mayuri. She stressed the importance of protecting eyesight from a young age through:

- A balanced, nutrient-rich diet
- Limited screen time (maximum 30 minutes per day)
- Safe practices like avoiding eye rubbing and rinsing with clean water when needed.

The doctor also explained how natural defences, such as eyelashes, protect the eyes. The interactive session with visuals and activities made the session engaging and easy for students to understand.

August at a glance



August was a month of joy and discovery. The students actively engaged in energizing yoga sessions and lively dance activities, while also exploring the fascinating world of animals and experimenting with shapes, making every moment of learning meaningful and enjoyable. Outdoor play and games added excitement, encouraging teamwork, physical development, and joyful interactions among the students. The spirit of celebration was evident as we came together to observe Independence Day, Varamahalakshmi Pooja, and Ganesh Chaturthi, instilling in the students values of pride, devotion, and tradition. Overall, August was a memorable month that beautifully combined learning, creativity, and happiness for our young learners.

Onam Celebration



The festival of Onam was celebrated with great joy and enthusiasm by our tiny tots at GMC. The little ones brought a variety of fresh and fragrant flowers from home to create a bright and attractive pookalam (floral carpet) that filled the surroundings with beauty and festive cheers. Teachers narrated the story of King Mahabali, helping the students understand the values of love, sharing, and togetherness that Onam symbolizes. Students enjoyed dancing to the music for the 'Thiruvathirakali' featuring synchronized, pirouetting movements accompanied by hand clapping and singing. Later, each class gathered around their pookalam and posed for photographs, capturing the bright smiles, colorful flowers, and lively spirit of Onam. It was truly a memorable day for our tiny learners, filled with joy, and togetherness.



September highlights

September was a joyful month of learning and growth. Students gained confidence through 'Show and Tell', reading, and blending, while exploring concepts like missing numbers, heavy-light, and backward counting. They discovered animal habitats in Environmental Studies and celebrated the spirit of Onam and Dussehra. Music, dance, and games added creativity and teamwork, making the month a perfect blend of academics, arts, play and culture.



Dussehra

Our Glow Montessori Hosur Road was abuzz with excitement as our kindergartners celebrated the vibrant festival of Dussehra! The students excitedly brought Golu dolls from home, their tiny hands carefully carrying these treasures, together with their teachers, they helped arrange the dolls creating a colourful and festive atmosphere. The students arrived at school dressed in beautiful traditional attire, adding colour and charm to the festive atmosphere. The teachers narrated the story of Dussehra, helping the students understand the significance of the festival and the timeless message of good triumphing over evil. Adding to the excitement, the school organized a special storytelling session by Stori Gama, which captivated the students and further highlighted the values behind the festival. As part of the celebration, the students participated in a special craft activity, where they created colourful Dussehra-themed artwork, adding their own creativity to the festival. They also enjoyed dancing Garba. The sound of music and the sight of the little ones clapping, twirling, and dancing in their colourful outfits filled the school with joy and excitement. The celebration concluded with the distribution of delicious prasad, which was happily relished by all. It was truly a joyous occasion that brought together learning, fun, and tradition, making Dussehra a memorable celebration for everyone at GMC.



Deepavali



The festival of lights Deepavali was celebrated with great enthusiasm and joy by our little ones at GMC. The celebration began with a short talk by the teacher on the significance of the festival — the victory of good over evil and light over darkness. The environment was filled with mesmerizing devotional song sung by one of our teachers. Students eagerly participated in songs and rhymes, spreading happiness all around. A fun-filled craft activity followed, where our tiny artists created beautiful crafts and they participated actively in games related to Deepavali. The celebration concluded with the distribution of sweets and a gentle message about celebrating an eco-friendly Deepavali by avoiding crackers and spreading love and light instead. It was indeed a delightful day filled with laughter, creativity, and festive spirit.



October at a glance

October Moments – Little Learners, Big Discoveries

October was a month of renewed energy and joyful learning! After the Dussehra break, our little ones returned with stories, laughter, and curiosity that filled the classrooms. We revisited familiar concepts and explored new ones from phonetic blends to the exciting world of non-standard measurement. It was pure delight watching students measure with crayons, erasers, and pencils discovering how learning hides in everyday things! Music, dance, and festive cheer lit up our days as Deepavali brought a sparkle of togetherness and joy. Truly, October was a celebration of curiosity, creativity, and childhood wonder.



Varamahalakshmi Celebration

At GMC, the festival was celebrated with great enthusiasm and reverence by the Montessori children and teachers, all adorned in beautiful traditional attire. A symbolic mandapa was set up, featuring an idol of Goddess Lakshmi, gracefully decorated with fresh flowers.

The celebration began with the lighting of the ceremonial lamp, followed by a collective recitation of Lakshmi Stuti and Bhagyadalakshmi Baramma by the students and teachers. This devotional moment brought a spiritual aura to the occasion, fostering a sense of unity.



Independence Day Celebration



Montessori students dressed in vibrant tricolour outfits, joyfully shared insights about India's national symbols, bringing the spirit of the nation to life in their own unique way. Their voices echoed with emotion as they sang the patriotic song "I Salute My Flag," followed by a heartfelt rendition of the National Anthem that united everyone in a moment of reflection and pride.

The celebration continued with engaging hands-on activities that sparked creativity and deepened the students' connection to the Nation.



Monthly Treats - August



As culmination of Fruit Day, 'Fruit Salad Day' was incorporated in which students worked together as a team, to prepare the salad. Few were indulged in peeling, few in cutting and few in mixing the fruits and others to add the toppings of dry fruits brought from home.

Overall, the excitement was palpable as they got to eat the fruit with their classmates regardless of their personal preferences for certain fruits.





Gowri Ganesha Festival Celebration

Ganesh Chaturthi was celebrated with great joy and devotion. The day began with a special pooja, where students joined in prayer and sang melodious songs dedicated to Lord Ganesha. The teacher narrated a simple and engaging story about Lord Ganesha, helping the students connect with the festival in a way that was meaningful to them.

The little ones then took part in a creative craft activity, making their own Ganesha artwork. Their joy and imagination shone brightly as they carefully completed their craft pieces and proudly took them home.

To add fun and laughter to the celebration, the students participated in lively games such as musical chairs, exciting modak race, merry go round and bombing the city with Lord Ganesha. The joy radiating from their faces made the event even more memorable.



Dr. Maria Montessori Birthday Celebration

On the auspicious occasion of Dr. Maria Montessori's birthday, the Montessori students came together to celebrate her remarkable legacy. Students offered flowers as a heartfelt tribute to Dr. Montessori's significant influence on education. With the guidance of the teachers, the students joyfully lit a candle symbolizing the light of knowledge she has sparked within them.. As the flickering flame danced in the air, they sang a melodious birthday song, harmonizing their voices in gratitude for the educational materials that Dr. Montessori has pioneered for their learning journey.



Opthalmologist Session

As a part of its health and well-being initiatives, GMC hosted an Eye Care Awareness session for students, led by Dr. Mayuri. The doctor emphasized the significance of safeguarding eyesight from an early age through:

- A balanced, nutrient-rich diet
- Limiting screen time
- Safe practices, such as avoiding eye rubbing and rinsing with clean water when necessary

Dr. Mayuri also highlighted how natural defenses, like eyelashes, help protect the eyes. The interactive session, filled with visuals and activities, made it engaging and easy for students to grasp the concepts.



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To make the day even more delightful, teachers narrated the story of King Mahabali, helping the students understand the values of love, sharing, and togetherness that Onam symbolizes.

Students enjoyed dancing to the music for the 'Thiruvathirakali' featuring synchronized, pirouetting movements accompanied by hand clapping and singing.



Story Telling Session

As a part of Dussehra celebration story telling session was organised at GMC on the 17th of September 2025. Ms. Nanditha Bharath, from 'Storigama', delighted the students with her engaging style of narration.

The session began with a few fun action games to capture the students' attention and prepare them for the story. Ms. Nanditha then guided the students into understanding the importance of celebrating Indian Festivals and gradually lead them to the festival 'Dussehra'.

Through the story of 'Mahishasuramardini', Ms Nanditha conveyed the essence of the festival and reminded the importance of standing against evil in all its forms. The students listened with excitement, participated actively by singing the songs related to Dussehra. The little ones enjoyed playing the game 'Rama says', imitating the actions with joy.

The session concluded on a lively note with the students dancing to 'Garbha', filling the atmosphere with festive spirit.



Dussehra Celebration

The Dussehra celebration began with the tradition of arranging the Golu dolls, colorful rangoli and performing the pooja. The students came dressed in beautiful traditional attire, adding colour and charm to the festive atmosphere. Adding to the excitement, the school organized a special storytelling session by Storigama, which captivated the students and further highlighted the values behind the festival.

Students participated in craft activity, where they created colorful Dusshehra-themed artwork, adding their own creativity to the festival. They also enjoyed dancing Garba which filled the school with joy and excitement.



Deepavali Celebration

The festival of lights at GMC started with the lighting of lamps and a short talk by the teacher on the significance of Deepavali. Ssang Deepavali songs which reverberated in the quadrangle of the school.

The festive spirit continued with a fun-filled craft activity where our little artists showcased their creativity by making beautiful Deepavali-themed crafts. The excitement grew as they participated in lively games such as the Diya Relay and Flower Pot Race, which added to the festive cheer.

The highlight for many was taking home the hand-painted diyas, a beautiful keepsake of the day's joy and creativity. It was truly a delightful day, filled with laughter, artistic expression, and the warm glow of the festive spirit.



Interpersonal Relationships & Communication



Building strong relationships and communicating effectively are just as important in school as getting good grades. Here are some simple life hacks to help school students improve their social skills and connect better with others:

1. **Listen More Than You Talk:** Good communication starts with listening. Pay attention when your friends or teachers are speaking — It shows respect, shows you care, and helps you understand others better.
2. **Use People's Names in Conversation:** Saying someone's name in conversation might seem small, but it makes a big difference. It helps the other person feel noticed and respected — and it shows you're paying attention. It makes your interaction more personal and friendly.
3. **Practice Empathy:** means trying to understand how someone else feels. Try to see things from others' perspectives. If a friend is upset or you're having a disagreement, take a moment to imagine their point of view. A little kindness goes a long way. Being kind, respectful and understanding, especially during disagreements, helps build stronger friendships.
4. **Ask Questions That Start Real Conversations:** Instead of just asking yes/no questions like "Did you have a good weekend?", try asking "What did you do over the weekend?" to keep conversations going. These kinds of open-ended questions help keep the conversation going and make it more interesting for both of you.
5. **Use Positive Body Language:** Your body language says a lot. Simple things like making eye contact, smiling, and nodding while someone is talking show that you're engaged, approachable and open to communication.
6. **Steer Clear of Gossip:** It can be tempting to talk about others behind their backs — but it almost always backfires. It damages trust. Be someone people can trust by keeping conversations respectful and kind.

7. **Don't Be Afraid to Say "I'm Sorry":** We all mess up sometimes. Owning your mistakes and apologizing sincerely can fix a lot of misunderstandings and shows you're mature enough to take responsibility.

8. **Take a Step Back When Things Get Tense:** Not every argument needs to be solved right away. If things get heated or you're feeling overwhelmed, it's totally okay to take a break. Give yourself and others a bit of space to cool down and think clearly.

Good communication doesn't mean being the loudest or the most outgoing person in the room — it's about being respectful, thoughtful, and real with others. These small habits might seem simple, but they can help you build stronger friendships and make your school life a whole lot easier. Strong communication and healthy relationships make school life more enjoyable and less stressful. Practice these small habits daily, and you'll build meaningful connections that last.

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Life

Life you are a giant wheel
Lifting us up and down.
Let's laugh and heal
Let's be king and clown.

Lilting and rhyming
We dance and twirl
Crying and drooping
We dash and swirl.

With a moment great
Comes utmost pride
With a moment trite
Comes the humble ride.

If only we learnt to stride
With modest bide
No bigger tide
Could topple our ride.

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Lessons and Reflections

Success: A Path Shaped by Character

“Success is not the key to happiness. Happiness is the key to success. If you love what you are doing, you will be successful.” — Albert Schweitzer

As this year marks the end of our school journey, it also opens the door to a new chapter filled with choices, challenges, and dreams. Before we step forward, it's important to carry with us a few lessons that can guide us through life. In today's fast-moving world, success is often seen in terms of grades, wealth, popularity, or recognition. Society teaches us to compete endlessly and to measure our worth by comparison. But true success isn't about standing at the top — it's about standing firm in our values. It begins when we stop comparing ourselves to others and start understanding who we are and what truly brings us peace.

Real success is not defined by material possessions or fame, but by the strength of our character and the purpose behind our actions. It lies in living with honesty, compassion, and integrity. A truly successful person values what they have and uses it to bring joy and positivity to others. Sometimes, success is as simple as lending a helping hand, being kind when it's difficult, or staying true to what you believe in. These small choices shape our identity far more deeply than any title or award ever could.

Too often, we chase achievements so quickly that we forget to live. But success without happiness and gratitude is an empty victory. Life's greatest rewards come from meaningful relationships, sincere effort, and acts of kindness. When we give our best, care for others, and appreciate what we have, we discover that success is not something we chase — it's something we create every day through our actions and attitude.

As we move beyond school and into the wider world, let us remember that success is not a destination but a lifelong journey. It is found in perseverance after failure, humility in triumph, and the quiet pride of doing what's right. In the end, true success is not measured by how high we climb, but by how deeply we touch the lives of others along the way.

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