





From the Principal's Desk

Dear students,

As we all know, despite the challenges, the year gone by has been full of activities and exciting learnings. I take pride in sharing that all of you faced the pandemic bravely and head on and came out with flying colours, turning an adversity into an opportunity. The way you embraced the new normal, whether it was online, hybrid or offline you stuck true to the values that Sanskriti stands for and set an example for years to come.

Sanskriti School endeavours to create 'Happy, Thinking and feeling Sanskritians'. Thus, it teaches you not only to shine academically but be good human beings as well. Various co curricular activities, sports, art forms etc helped you to explore your innate capabilities and discover new ones as well. In 2021-22 also you participated in so many of such, activities, even in the virtual platforms.

Like every year, your zeal to look forward to various activities and events is commendable.

This year also we had Art days, Children's days, literary days, Gandhi Jayanti, Eco brick activities and many more. CBSE 100 day reading challenge was altogether a series of riveting activities which were taken up in hybrid mode. It was captivating to see how beautifully these events were executed.

In addition to these monthly activities, I really enjoyed your regular assemblies and was delighted to see you showcase your talents and your efforts. You also did a commendable job at Interschool competitions, Christmas carnival and other School events.

You all took initiative, innovated, explored and everything seemed possible.

'Srijan' provides us an opportunity to reflect upon our learnings throughout the year. It represents new things that you have discovered about yourself, your contribution to school and the world around you.

As we move ahead, to the next academic session, I am sure that you have gained the confidence to face any situation which comes your way because challenges make you discover things about yourself. I hope the next academic session is equally fruitful and enriching.

Looking forward to the next session and wishing you the best for the same.

Mrs. Richa Sharma Agnihotri
The Principal



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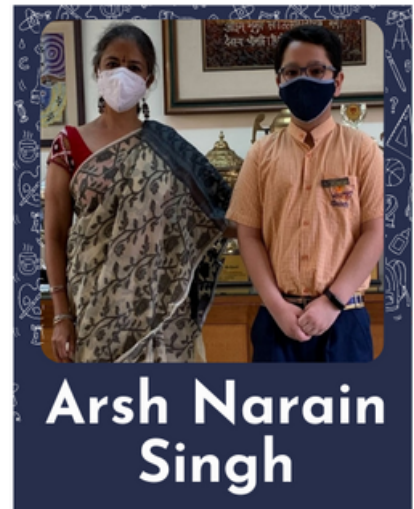


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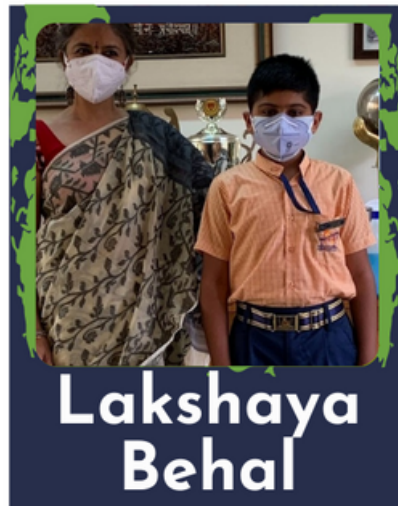
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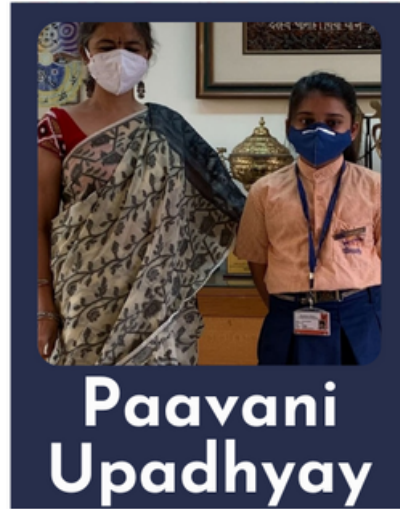
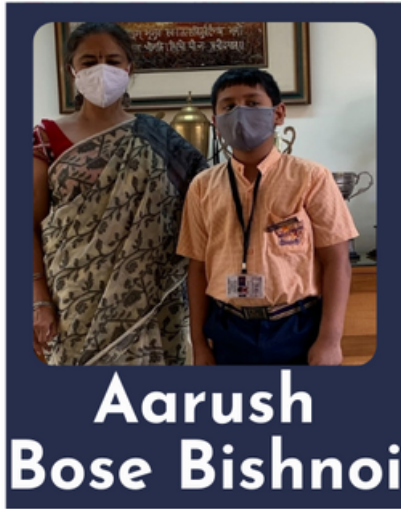
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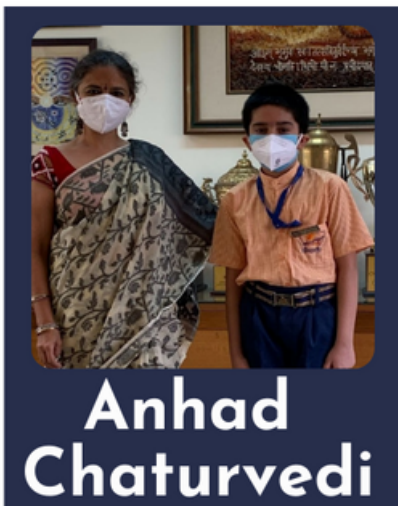
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Being Head Girl- Learning as a Leader

The journey to becoming the Head Girl started well before this academic year began. And I have come to realize that consistency and hard work can make you achieve your dreams. I got all fired up and excited when I came to know that my name figured in the list of Probability from amongst who the Head Girl would be selected. And when the news finally broke I was overjoyed. But my father quietly reminded me that uneasy rests the head that wears the crown. With position comes greater responsibility. And this became evident soon enough when we had to prepare the presentation for the Student Council. It was a task to get everyone to do their work and to make everyone arrive at a consensus. It was one of my first lessons at being a leader.

By the time the academic year 2020-21 ended, there was hope and anticipation that the regular school would soon resume and we were all looking forward to it. But the second wave of the CoVID-19 pandemic hit hard and almost every family got affected. Like last year, this year too ended up being an online affair. So this meant that we would be restricted indoors and exposed to more screen time and online activity. Maintaining and enforcing discipline was a challenge as it got transformed into maintaining web discipline! It was observed that many children were getting distracted and not paying full attention in the classes. After discussions with the Student and Discipline Council members, it has been our endeavor to ensure that all students observe self-discipline and maintenance of netiquettes.

We also realized that many children in the Junior School were facing difficulties with technology. Take for example scanning and uploading homework and unit tests.

Our teachers have been helping us out and some of us have made and put up videos in our classroom on how to scan and upload documents. Student Council meetings were constantly held and different suggestions were made and ideas shared to help the whole junior school get accustomed to the new normal,

it has been a great learning opportunity as well. To begin with, I was asked to prepare a speech for the school's birthday. It was great fun to work for this. Then came the acceptance speech.

This was more formal and required me to do some research. I also got an opportunity to represent our school in the Ad-Magic contest which was part of the Mind Quest Event 2021. And I am proud to share that our school secured the first position in the Ad-Magic contest. There was excitement all throughout and we did not miss out on any festival or event, although everything was celebrated differently this time. We enjoyed working for making the many different events such as School Birthday, Independence Day, Teacher's Day, Dussehra, Diwali, and many more a grand success even in the online mode. After working together to make these days extraordinary, I realized that this represented unity in diversity. Children with different passions and talents performed in their unique and delightful ways. In the end, everyone helped to make the year a memorable one.

In this voyage, I learned to cooperate and help others. I also learned to be assertive and about decision-making. As Head Girl I would like to give a huge thanks to the whole Student Council and all the children in Junior School who made our lives brighter with their smiles; the bhaiyas and didis, who help keep our school clean and safe; our teachers who work tirelessly going from one class to another; And lastly and most importantly to Suruchi ma'am and Richa ma'am for giving me this wonderful and once in a lifetime opportunity to be the Head Girl. It is going to be my last year in Junior School. My journey so far has been a thrilling and riveting one with all of you, and I believe it is only going to become even more exciting.

I wish everyone the very best with lots of enjoyable events, adventures, joy and fun filled learning!

Thank you!

- Ameyavikrama Rathi
(Head Girl)



LETTER FROM THE HEAD BOY

What a Journey!!

I felt absolutely elated and humbled as Principal Ma'am announced my appointment as the Head Boy of Junior School. It was a dream come true! I felt a sense of responsibility as I was aware of my duties. I was grateful to Principal Ma'am and the teachers for having faith in me. I decided to give my best to live up to their expectations and to uphold the values our beloved school stands for. As I have been here since nursery, Sanskriti feels like a home away from home.

It was a moment to cherish as Principal Ma'am pinned the badge on the day of the Investiture Ceremony. I felt proud to be holding the school flag for the first time.

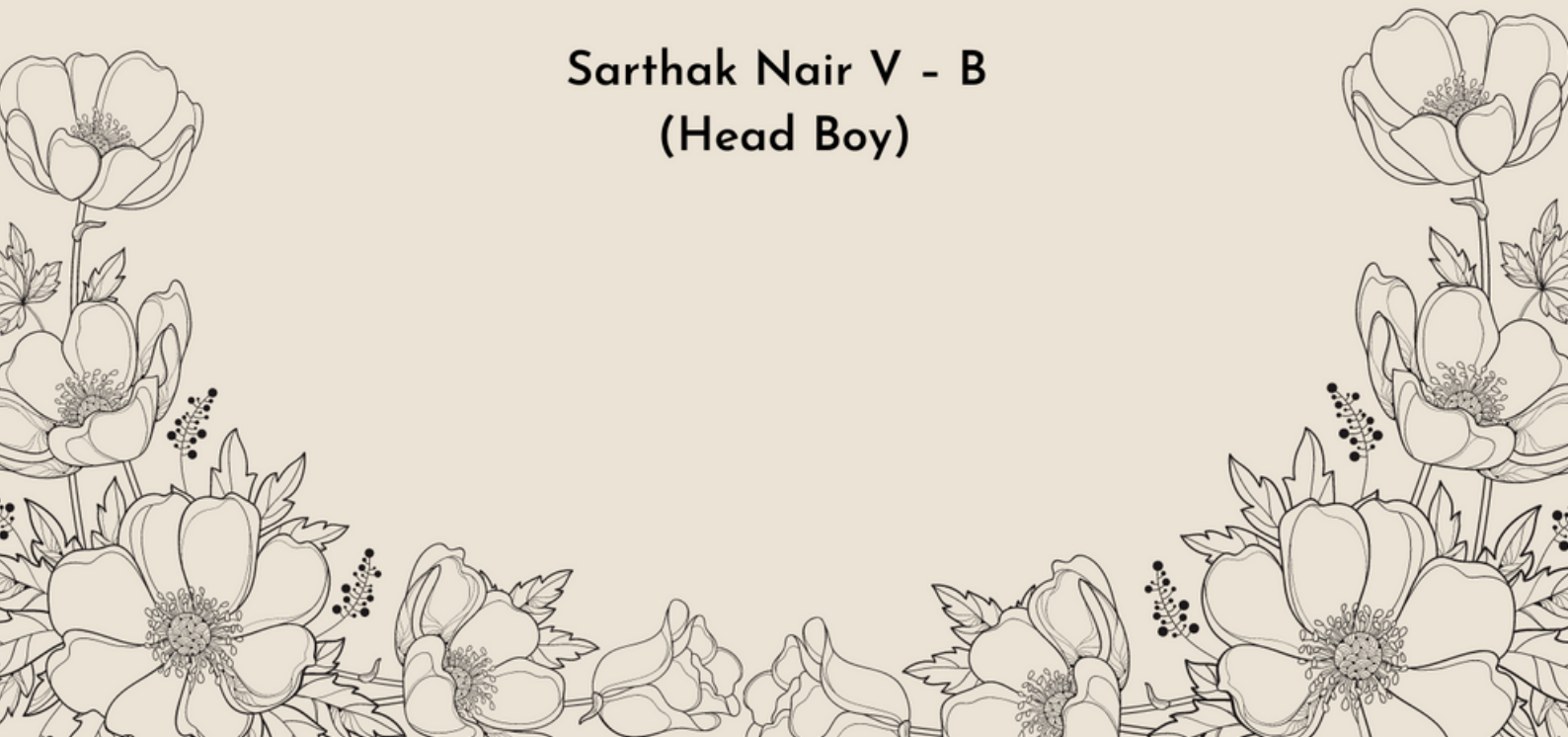
I was lucky to be part of a very committed, motivated and responsible student council. The first task given to us was to prepare a presentation before Principal Ma'am. I felt proud of the Student Council as we worked tirelessly. I enjoyed collaborating and exchanging ideas with my friends. It was a great learning experience since this was a difficult and extraordinary year because of the pandemic. It was a unique challenge for me as the Head Boy. I had to adapt to the online scenario and discharge my duties in the new normal times. During my tenure, I became more sensitive to some

current and important issues like the environment, climate change, cyber safety netiquettes, discipline, cleanliness etc. I have grown as a person and become more hardworking, mature and humane. I became more confident as I had to constantly hone my oratory skills. One of my important duties was to deliver speeches on important occasions like our school's birthday. With this experience, I learnt to be a good leader and take my team along. The values and life skills that I have imbibed during my term will remain with me forever.

All this would not have been possible without the support of my family and teachers. I will always fondly remember my days in Junior School as it was truly one of the most memorable times of my life. It is here I realised that the journey is as important as the destination.

Sanskriti is the Best...and I love my school.

Sarthak Nair V - B
(Head Boy)



MY FIRST BOOK

Hurray!!!! I got my own book published. My book's name is RISHIKA AND THE STAR. This is a fiction story about a girl named Rishika who had the courage to fulfill her dreams.

Every day I used to play pretend games and one day I thought I wanted to do something new. I thought of writing a book. Then I thought what should I write in the book? Then I saw a star on top of my Christmas tree. I took a few seconds looking at the star and started imagining a story. I wrote one chapter every day. It was fun to do it.

Then I painted pictures. My dad clicked pictures of my paintings and helped in adding the background. With the help of my dad, we self-published my book. While publishing I selected the front cover page and the back cover page. Then I wrote the summary of my book on the back cover page and I wrote the title of the book on the front cover page. Then we answered a few questions about how my book should look. After a few days, the book came as I wanted it to come and is also on Amazon.

Kimaayra Jain, I-D



“My affair with Lodi Gardens.....”

“Hello! Where is the baby who used to accompany you in a pram?”, an Auntie asked my parents when we went to Lodi gardens in the morning. My mother pointed at me and said, “This 10-year-old plump girl with specs is the baby”. Yes, my affair with Lodi Gardens started when I was 6 months old.

My Dadaji used to go for a walk every day to Lodi gardens. He motivated my parents to start their daily routine of walking. So after dropping my brother and sister who were in class 11 and class 3 at Sanskriti, my parents would go for a walk at the park with me in the pram. I and my blue stroller became famous in Lodi Gardens.

These gardens are more than 577 years old and have many historical monuments. It has 110 categories of trees and 100 types of shrubs. It is a green haven in the midst of polluted Delhi. I can't count how many times I have been there but the least would be 1200 times. For the first two years I went in the mornings, then after playschool which was at Sujan Singh Park and then in the afternoons in winters and during cool evenings in summers and anytime on weekends. The favourite place for us to go together as a family has always been Lodi gardens. We have been there at all times of the day. Morning and evenings we would see regular and serious walkers, during daytime mostly couples and definitely a lot of photographers. They came either to click the flowers and plants or take pictures of couples who were getting married soon.

I have memories of celebrating my Dadaji's birthday with his fellow walkers, and my brother's party as he is December born and that time is fit for a picnic in the park. We have walked in the rain with umbrellas and attended celebrations on 15 August and 26 January wearing orange, green, and white outfits. In the Gumbads we have listened to flute and guitar being played by artists. I have done yoga with my dadi and read the names of all the trees with my Dad. I love the glasshouse with all plants in it. We have clicked so many family pictures there. As a kid, I had also made a favorite spot in the garden where I played "Ghar Ghar" with my sister. I recall she used to be so upset that I didn't let her walk. Together we have enjoyed the play gyms and swings at different points in the park. Seeing the ducks and enjoying the fountains from the bridge, getting scared of barking dogs and screaming monkeys, participating in painting the dustbins in Lodi gardens..... the memories are so many that I can't write them all. Even during Covid days when Lodi Garden was closed, we used to walk outside gate 7, on Amrita Shergill Marg. I even have a scary memory of many years ago when I got separated from my brother and sister while walking and then how I started crying. Thankfully my father and Chacha found me. But now I can walk to any part of the garden and still find my way. I hope we continue our routine of walking and enjoying nature at Lodi Gardens.



GURNADAR KAUR V-C

Air Pollution

Air is a mixture of gases. Air is made up of 78% nitrogen, 21% oxygen, and 1% other gases such as argon, helium, neon, hydrogen, ozone, and carbon dioxide. Oxygen is the part of air that is needed by most life forms on Earth to survive. It is found in the air we breathe and the water we drink. Carbon dioxide forms only 0.04% of the atmosphere. Plants require carbon dioxide for photosynthesis. Air also contains water vapor. The amount of water vapor present in the air is called humidity. Humidity varies from place to place and is very high in coastal areas or in places where it rains. We sweat a lot in places where humidity is high because our sweat does not dry up as there is already a lot of water vapor in the air. In drier places, our sweat evaporates easily making us feel comfortable. Air also has dust and smoke. The more the dust and smoke, the more polluted the air. Air pollution means the presence or introduction of harmful substances in the air that degrade its quality and make it unfit for breathing. Substances that pollute the air are called air pollutants. Poisonous gases and smokes coming out from the chimneys of factories and industries pollute the air. Vehicles also give out smoke and harmful gases that cause air pollution. Disease-causing germs that spread in the air when a sick person coughs and sneezes in the open also pollute the air. Breathing in polluted air also causes respiratory diseases like asthma. The germs in the air like viruses and bacteria cause diseases like chickenpox, measles, and tuberculosis.





Some ways to prevent and control air pollution are:

1. Avoid using cars/vehicles for short distances travel, use cycle or walk your way.
2. Avoid burning crackers during festivals. The fumes add to the air pollution.
3. The burning of garbage, especially plastic materials, and rubber should be avoided.
- 4 .Making bonfires using wood and dry leaves should be stopped
- 5.Factories should follow air pollution rules and not emit poisonous gases and smoke into the air.
6. Using public transport.
7. Turn off the lights when not in use.
8. Recycle and Reuse.
9. Say no to plastic bags.
- 10 .Reduction of forest fires and smoking
- .11. Use fans instead of Air conditioners.
12. Avoid using products with harmful chemicals.
13. Do more and more plantation.

Ishaan Singh (4-D)

The lonely girl

Once, there was a lonely girl
Who lived in a sad town she used to say
Why is it a sad town ?
Can't it be happy ?
Why is it such a dull town?
Can't it be bright and joyful ?
Why do people always fight?
Can't they be polite?
Why are the streets so dirty?
Can't they keep them clean?
I wander in the streets of the sad town.

BY- Aisha Sagar
V - C

Kindness

Kind we must be,
To fill ourselves with glee,
Make someone's life bright,
Kind we must be day and night.

Always wear your smile,
It never goes out of style,
Share simple pleasures,
It is always worthwhile.

Kind words spoken,
Ease people's pain,
Kindness is the sunshine,
That never goes in vain.

Helping friends in need,
Is always a good deed,
To help fellow humans,
That's our only creed.

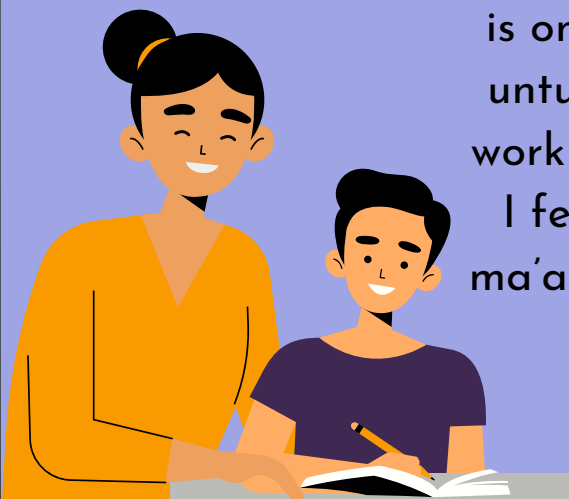
-Agastya Krishna Kumar (V-C)

My Teacher My Second Mother

Education is the most important thing in our life which differentiates human beings from other living creatures. We get our first teachings from our parents and more specifically from mothers. Similarly, once we grow up and start going to school, we get most of our learning from teachers and particularly ma'am to whom we may call as our second mother. With my very little experience in life, I have no doubt in saying that once we achieve a good education, we get success in our life. Therefore, education is the key to our happiness and success in which the prime contributors are our parents and teachers. That is why my teacher is my second mother. If the teacher hones our skill through sharpening our brain then our mother nourishes our heart, health, and emotions. Thus, with the help of both, our personality becomes complete. Our mother motivates us to go to school while our teacher motivates us to speak in front of the world. Our teachers want all of us to be our best version. They don't ignore and avoid our classmates who are slightly weak and inactive in the class; they take along each and every child with them even though it is very tough.

During the pandemic when everything is online, our teachers leave no stone unturned in shaping our future. They work day and night to educate us and I feel that I am still in school as my ma'am teaches us in such a fascinating way. I love my teachers!

-Suvas Pandey (IV-D)

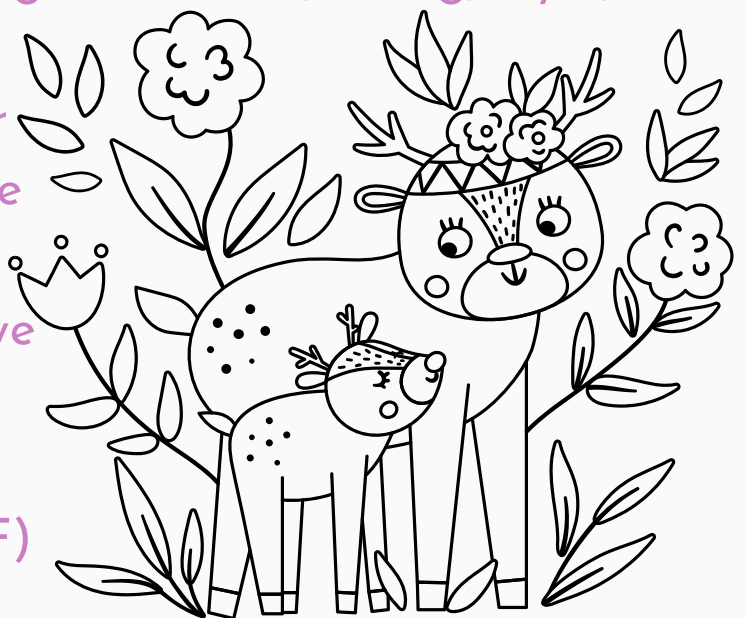


A letter to Animals and birds

I wrote this letter to you because I want to apologize. We are sorry about all the wrongs done by us in the past and in the present. For centuries humans have tortured and killed you. We've destroyed your habitat, we have kept you in cages for our entertainment, killed you for your skin, teeth, and fun. We polluted your homes and destroyed your planet. We have caused immense pain and damage to your families. You have suffered and lost your lives because of us. You have paid the price of our greed. Humans for their greed and benefit have forgotten that this planet belongs to you as well. After all this, we have still not stopped causing damage to you and the environment. We apologize for everything we have done and hope that you forgive us because we want to bring about a change and work towards a better planet for all of us. Though the start is small there are many humans who want to and will make a better change. Thank you for being so tolerant, loving, loyal, and friendly towards us.

And again we are sorry for what we humans have done to you - it's far more than words can describe and we hope you can forgive us..

-Kanishk Ratnoo (V-F)



SEASONS

WE HAVE FIVE SEASONS AND 5 ARE MY SUBJECTS

ENGLISH, MATHS, HINDI, SST, SCIENCE -ALL ARE MY FAVORITE!

LET'S START FROM THE SUMMER SEASON, THE ONE WITH LONGEST DURATION,
WARM LIKE NITYA MA'AM AND FULL OF CALCULATIONS!

WINTER IS CHILLY AND DIFFICULT, LIKE SST AND ENGLISH
BUT HERE COMES MEGHA MA'AM TO MAKE IT SIMPLE AND DELISH!

HINDI IS OUR MOTHER TONGUE, BUT THERE IS TOO MUCH TO LEARN
VINITA MAAM TRIES EACH DAY AND MAKES LEARNING FUN!

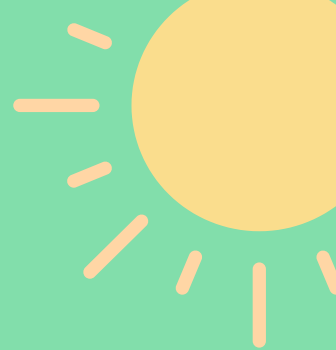
SCIENCE HAS INTERESTING COLOURS OF AUTUMN, WITH SO MUCH TO GRASP
PLANTS, ANIMALS, SUNLIGHT, WATER...ARTI MA'AM IS READY TO ASK!

FEW ACTIVITY PERIODS HERE AND THERE ARE LIKE SPLASHES OF RAIN
BRING JOY ON OUR FACE AND HERE GOES STRESS DOWN THE DRAIN!

I LOVE ALL MY TEACHERS AND MISS ALL MY FRIENDS
WAITING TO MEET THEM WHEN THIS COVID SAGA ENDS!

-PRISHA SEHGAL (III-C)

My trip to ***Bharatpur!***



In March, I went to Bharatpur. I stayed in a homestay. Near it, there was a park and a birdfeeder. I made many new friends from the children downstairs. We fed the birds. We played many games in the park-like chain-chain, train-train. In the Bharatpur Bird Sanctuary, I saw many crows, bats, owls, ducks, monkeys, and deer. I was excited to see storks and cranes in the lake. I fed turtles. It was interesting to see a python sitting in the bush. On my way back, I rode a rickshaw cycle. Then we went back home. I had a lot of fun.



-Deetya Bharti (II-B)

Miss you School

Classroom, classroom where have you been?
It's been one and half year, last you have been
seen!

My locker sits sad, calling out my name
How I wish I could meet him again.

Blackboard and chalk are looking so sad
because they can't meet their favourite lad.

Tables and chairs have grumpy looks
Missing their friends - pencils and books.

Corridors and gates are looking for us
Hoping soon we would come, rushing out of our
bus.

Oh! Classroom classroom where have you been
It's so boring to look at you, from a computer
screen.

-Damek Mohan Sharma (III-D)

A Beautiful Day

Oh! What a Beautiful day.

The Sun is shining in a beautiful way.

I don't know, what can I say,

Should I speak to a horse in its language
neigh?

Or should I chase a butterfly
that doesn't stay?

Everything seems so fun,

While I run under the sun.

Let's sing or imagine being a king,

Don't you love watching the kite
dancing with its string?

When the flowers are blooming,

When the bees are buzzing,

And when the birds are singing,

Why should you be glooming?

Look up at the vast blue sky,

And imagine, how far you can fly....

-Mysha Rijiju (III-F)



The Magic Returns

Once upon a time in a land not so far away, magic was created. A woman named Mallory discovered a stone in her backyard. She thought that it had fallen from space. She was a scientist so she took the stone to examine it, and she found a crystal. She took out the crystal and it started glowing, soon it started floating. Mallory started floating too and lo and behold she had powers. After years of studying magic, she gained full control over her powers and everyone loved her. After years of practice, she found a new way to make humanity beautiful. She used her powers to locate a new crystal and used it to give the world magic and that is how magic was created.

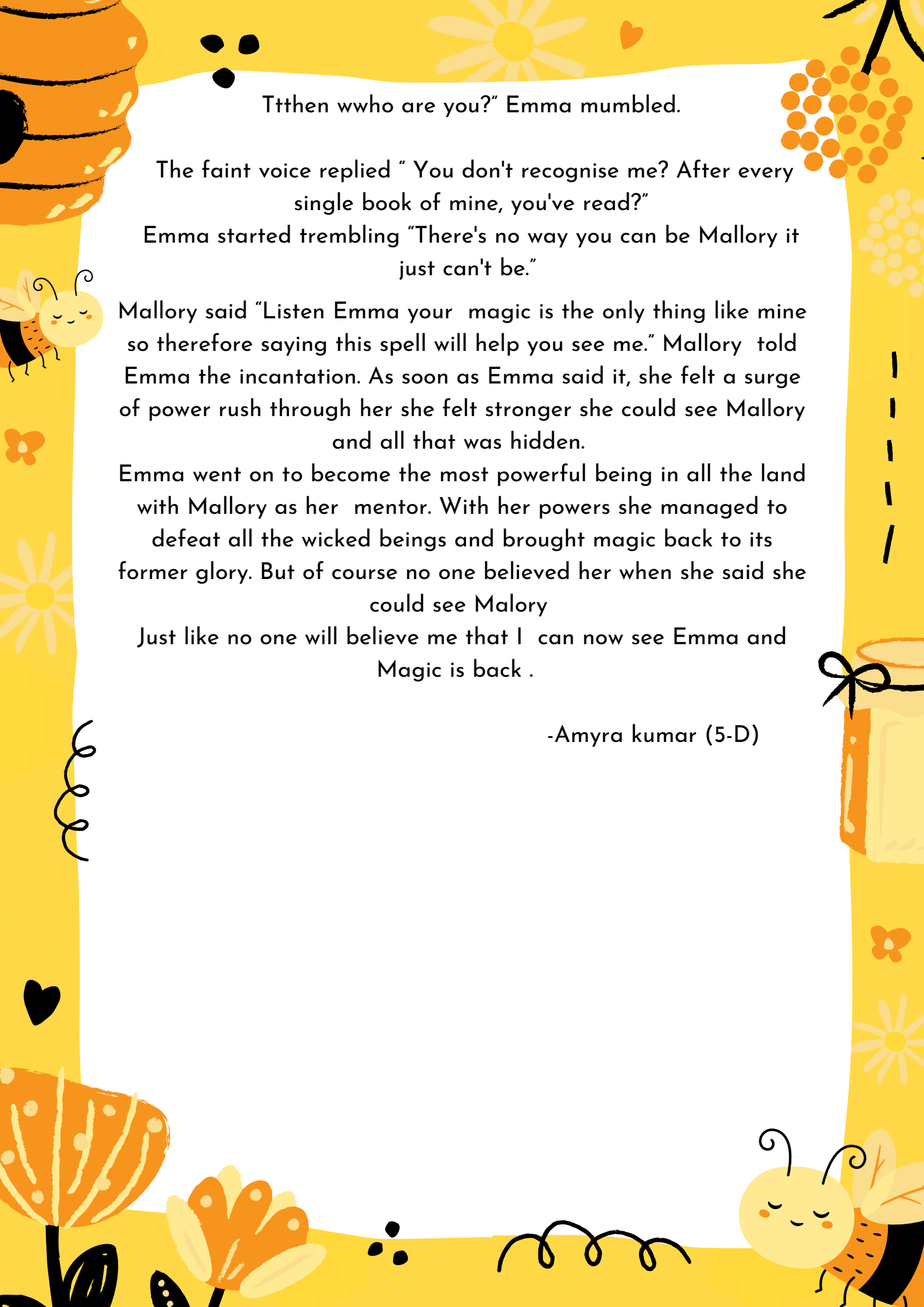
Now magic was normal and everyone could use it but 1,000 years later a little girl named Emma is having trouble controlling her magic. Emma is 9 years old and she loves science and especially reading books that Mallory had written years ago. One day Emma was on her way to the library to get a book when she heard ghostly sounds.

She looked around her but she couldn't see anything. "Of course, I can't see anything as nothing is there," she thought to herself. That's when she heard a voice say "Am I real or am I fake? Is this right or is it a mistake?"

She turned around to see who it was but it seemed like the voice was surrounding her. Wherever she went the voice followed. Emma was freaking out.

"If there's anyone here, please tell me, anyone? Josh? Is this another one of your tricks because it's not funny!"

A faint voice said, "Josh, ha ha ha I'm not your younger brother." The voice was calm, soft yet creepy all at the same time.



Then who are you?" Emma mumbled.

The faint voice replied " You don't recognise me? After every single book of mine, you've read?"

Emma started trembling "There's no way you can be Mallory it just can't be."

Mallory said "Listen Emma your magic is the only thing like mine so therefore saying this spell will help you see me." Mallory told Emma the incantation. As soon as Emma said it, she felt a surge of power rush through her she felt stronger she could see Mallory and all that was hidden.

Emma went on to become the most powerful being in all the land with Mallory as her mentor. With her powers she managed to defeat all the wicked beings and brought magic back to its former glory. But of course no one believed her when she said she could see Mallory

Just like no one will believe me that I can now see Emma and Magic is back .

-Amyra kumar (5-D)

SAM'S NEWLAND'S ADVENTURE

Once there lived a boy named Sam. He was 7 years old. One day while he was walking on the road he saw a note on the ground.

The note read:

O Sam dig a hole here

Here where I Am

O Sam O Sam

Dig and find a door

When you dig you go much beneath the floor

Get inside the door and find the kids

Listen to them and don't you skid

After reading this interesting note Sam started to dig. After digging quite a lot he finally found a door. As he opened the door it led him to another world. It was the most amazing sight he had ever seen. He spotted three children there playing when they saw Sam, they asked him to join them. The children told Sam that they have been trapped in this world for ages. Hearing this Sam got scared. He feared even he would get trapped here. The children made Sam feel comfortable and showed him their world. They said this world is called 'Newland'. The children told Sam that to be free from this world they need some grass. Sam was confused but as he put his hand inside his pants pockets, he felt something soft. As he took it out they were grass blades. He started to sow them and in a few hours, the blades grew tall. Sam was amazed to see how fast everything was happening. The

kids gathered around the grass and spread some medicine on that grass, which made grass turn into soldiers. The soldiers saluted the children and that's when Sam got to know that those children were royal kids who had got trapped in "Newland" because of some curse.

Sam asked the children what is to be done next? The children said now we need to find the king and the queen because they were also trapped somewhere in this "Newland". The king and the queen were trapped in two precious stones, the stones were somewhere but the location was unknown. All the children including Sam climbed a treehouse and from there they could see something sparkling at a distance. When they reached the spot they saw two precious stones, as they rubbed the stones they changed into king and queen. This was all so unbelievable to Sam. Now as the royal family was ready, soldiers were ready, Sam asked them what next? They told Sam that they all have been trapped here in "Newland" because of the curse of the black fairy. She had kept them trapped here for the last 100 years. Now Sam had given them some hope of living together as a family again. They told that the black fairy is dangerous and powerful. The only way to lock her up was to find her, trap her in a black box and bury the box. The black fairy appeared only on full moon nights. All of them waited for a week in "Newland" for a week and on full moon night when a black fairy appeared Sam using his wits trapped the black fairy in the black box which the king had given him. After burying the box Sam led them back to the door through which he had first come. After coming out of the door, back where Sam belonged, the soldiers carried the royal family to clouds. As they were flying away, Sam waved them goodbye, he kept the story to himself always as he knew none of his friends would trust him. However being honest to his parents always, he told them everything that had happened and they praised him for his bravery.

-Atharva Nischal (II-C)

Improving Air Quality in Delhi- The Need of the Hour

This is wintertime. This is also the season of festivals. We will celebrate Dussehra and then Diwali. But I am a little worried.

Last few years, we have seen some difficult winters in our beloved city, New Delhi. The winters have been tough, difficult, and even dreadful. It's all because of the worsening air quality in our city. Year after year we have noticed the deterioration of the air we breathe in this city. Everyone knows that the air quality is getting worse every passing year. Efforts are being made to improve the air quality but the results are not very encouraging. Recently, a study by Brookings (2020) has shown Delhi as the world's most air-polluted capital.

Considering air pollution as an important matter not only from an environmental point of view but for health safety, Hon'ble Prime Minister in his address during 15th August 2020 had emphasized on 'CLEAN AIR FOR ALL'.

Delhi's toxic haze is a deadly health risk to its residents, particularly children, the elderly, and the ill. Particulate matter—PM2.5 and PM10—far exceed national and World Health Organization limits and is the reason for Delhi's high incidence of cardiovascular damage. The city's toxic air also contains high quantities of sulfur dioxide, nitrogen oxide, and carbon monoxide, putting people at severe health risks.

The main sources of Delhi's particulate emissions are from large power plants and refineries, vehicles, and stubble burning. The experiences of some of the South Asian nations Bangkok, Beijing, and Singapore suggest that we can also take care of the air quality levels in Delhi. We need to raise awareness and ensure strict implementation of the policies.

Delhi can act simultaneously on three targets: energy, transport, and agriculture. Under the energy vertical, Delhi needs to shut down coal-fired plants in and around the city to reduce the pollution load. When we look at transportation, Delhi must ensure a cleaner transport system through the higher use of electric vehicles, phasing out of old vehicles, and increased focus on public transportation. Finally, better farming practices are the key to avoiding stubble burning. In 2019, the Supreme Court of India had ordered a complete halt to the practice of stubble burning.

With some of these policy interventions, air quality has shown minor improvement in some big cities in recent times. But more focused, time-bound initiatives at both city and national levels are required to address the issue. The real and long-term answer will be in moving completely out of coal and other dirty fuels to cleaner natural gas or electricity. Further, moving from private cars to massively improve and connected public transportation system improve air quality in the city. This system needs to be affordable, convenient, modern, and safe for every citizen.

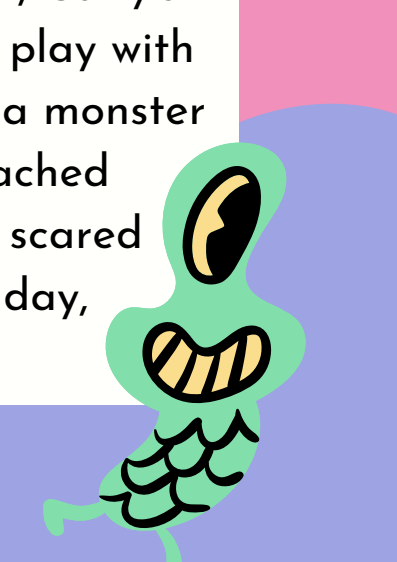


Several policy measures – such as switching to cleaner BS-VI fuel, installing Continuous Emission Monitoring Systems (CEMS) across industries, cleaner zig-zag technology in brick kilns, use of Eastern and Western Peripheral Highways (to bypass heavy traffic away from Delhi), deployment of happy seeders (to reduce crop-residue burning) and dust control – have been taken in the National Capital Region (NCR) to curb air pollution. Air pollution, however, is not a one-time, short-term crisis; it is a recurring problem that requires long-term, holistic solutions. We need to talk and debate about multiple issues around air pollution in the city. Let's be hopeful and positive for the future. Let's work together to fight this difficult challenge to keep us safe, healthy and happy.



-Samanyu Nanda(IV F)



The Scary Monster

Once upon a time, there lived a cute little girl named Carly. She was a very nice little girl, with brown hair and brown eyes. She was a happy girl, who loved to make friends. She lived in a little yellow house on a green hill, with her mother and father. Her best friend, Rose lived in the village, down in the valley. Every day, Carly would go down to the valley to play with Rose. Carly had to go down a steep mud road to reach the village. She loved walking on the road, looking at the beautiful and colourful flowers that grew on both sides. There were lush green fields on either side where the sheep grazed. Carly loved crossing the little stone bridge over the river, to enter the village. She loved the stone bridge because that meant that the village was near and so was Rose. One day, as Carly was nearing the village, she saw that a green, scary-looking monster was standing on the bridge. Carly was so frightened that she decided to turn back and go home. The next day, as she came near the bridge, she again saw the monster and this time, the monster started to run towards her! Carly turned around and ran all the way back to her home! She was so scared! Then, she decided never to go down to the village again. She couldn't bear to have the monster chase her again. One day, a week later, Carly's mother asked her as to why she wasn't going to play with Rose any longer. Tearfully, Carly explained that a monster was chasing her away, whenever she approached the village. Carly's mother told her to not be scared but to face the monster bravely. The next day, Carly gathered her courage





and approached the Stonebridge. Again, she found the monster waiting for her there. But, this time, instead of running away, Carly faced the monster bravely. She shouted at the monster and asked him why he was chasing her. Hearing Carly's angry voice, the monster began to cry. He told Carly that he wanted to be friends with her. He had seen Carly and Rose play in the woods near the village and had wanted to become friends with them and play with them. He had waited every day for Carly, on the stone bridge, to ask her if he could join them. Carly was so surprised by the monster's words. She gently hugged the monster, till he stopped crying and she and the monster became friends. Everyday, after that, she, Rose, and the monster would play together and have lots of fun. Not only did Carly get a new friend but she also realised that we should face our fears instead of running away from them.

-Aadhya Dhanika (III-A)



Tuesday 29th August 2021 7:43 PM

Dear diary

We led a life that we had taken for granted, however, after the pandemic people have realized that they must cherish each moment of their life as a person. I never imagined that going to a restaurant will now be a luxury or wearing a mask and carrying sanitizers everywhere will be the new normal. These days when I am not able to step outside for months and it is then that my face becomes as red as a ripe tomato. Last year I couldn't celebrate my birthday so I felt quite dejected. Basic pleasures of life have been taken by the pandemic and I wish that things come back on the normal track.

But thank God for small mercies. My school believes in experimental learning. The day starts with morning prayers which help us to be grounded and make us aware of the culture. This is followed by our learning sessions. We also have sports sessions plugged in. When the school reopened after the pandemic for sports session I stepped out on the sports field I felt like it is a zoo and all the children are monkeys yelling, running, and hopping all over the place which I wish should never end. It feels like time flies when we are in sports sessions. The school is full of entertainment and at the same time, I feel proud to be a member of the Sanskriti school family.

Zayen M Yadav(III-C)

Corona and Lockdown

I don't like this corona lockdown,
It has confined all to their hometown,
God please bring it to end,
I wish to play and enjoy with my friend,
I miss my classes and school,
Sitting at home all time is not so cool,
Wishing for the corona and lockdown to be over,
The day seems be getting closer and closer.

-Samvir Singh (III-F)

English

Jokes

**Who said English is easy?
Fill in the blanks with “yes” or
“no”**

_____ I don't have a brain.
_____ I don't have sense.
_____ I am stupid.

**Kid- Mommy what's in your
stomach?
Mom- Your baby sister!
Kid- You love her?
Mom- Very much!
Kid- Then why did you eat
her??! (O-O)**

**Teacher- Tell me name of 15
fruits.
Student - Apple, Orange,
Mango
Teacher- Good, tell me
another 12
Student- one dozen banana**

-Shresht (V-B)

THE BIG ANIMAL KINGDOM PARTY

Q1. How do you put an elephant in a refrigerator?

A1. Open the refrigerator door, put the elephant in, and close the door.

Q2. How do you put a Giraffe in the refrigerator?

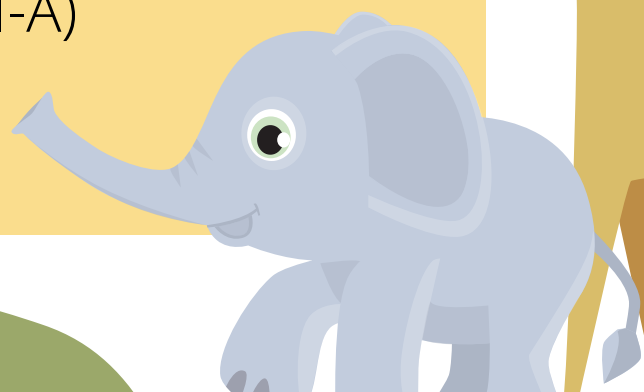
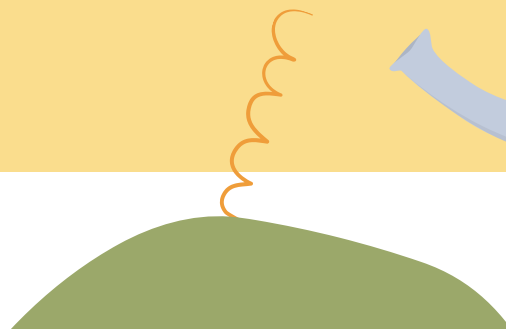
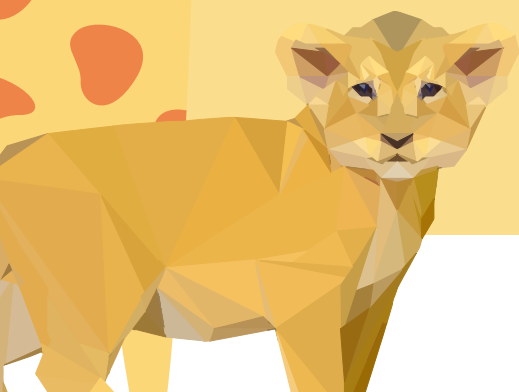
A2. You open the refrigerator door, take the elephant out, put the giraffe in, and close the refrigerator door.

Q3. The Lion was having a birthday party, and called all the animals to the big party.

Everyone came to the party except one animal. Who and why?

A3. The Giraffe. He was chilling in the refrigerator.

Suveer Gupta (III-A)





KABIROPEDIA

- The child in me likes to learn a new fact every day and I love to
- repeat it to my parents and now some amazing facts for my friends and teachers -
- Squirrels can survive a fall from any height!
- Olympus Mons is an enormous shield volcano on planet Mars, two and half times the size of Mount Everest above sea level!
- The Greenland shark is the oldest shark, with one estimated to be 392 years old!
- Shark DNA is one and half times bigger than human DNA!
- Earth is losing its shine thanks to the climate change brought on by us humans!!
- Jupiter has 79 moons, out of which 53 have been named!
- A white hole is the exact opposite of a black hole as it's very bright from which matter gushes rather than disappears!
- A supermassive black hole is moving towards the Earth!
- China to ban kids from playing online games for more than 3 hours per week!
- SpaceX launched 4 civilians into orbit in historic Inspiration4
- fight!

-Kabir Shiv Kapoor (II-A)

WHO AM I?

I have a neck and no head,
Two arms but no hands.
I go to school with you
Who am I?

I have a head like that of a cat.
I have the habit of a cat.
I have ears like that of a cat.
But I am not a cat.
Who am I?

If you allow me to live
I shall not live long
But if you kill me I shall stay longer
Who am I?

When you buy me, I am black.
When you use me, I am red
When you throw me, I am grey
Who am I ?

Vikhyat Vashisht Mishra

(III-D)

1- Shirt 2- Kitten 3- Candle 4- Charcoal

Answers -

Visit to friend's house

Everyone loves to spend time with their friends, so do I. I often visit my friend's place and last month I visited my friend Arjun. I could not sleep the night before the visit. While I was on the way to Arjun's place, I was wondering about what all we would do. I finally reached there. His house looked as big as an island. I rang the doorbell and Arjun opened the door. We both were exhilarated to see each other and were looking forward to the fun-filled day. We started by playing games like Roblox, carrom, ludo, snakes, ladders, and nerf war. While playing games, I was as happy as a lark. We also made some slime which turned out to be as black as coal. Thereafter, we performed some science experiments and Arjun's parents stated that I am as smart as Albert Einstein. Post that, we watched television while eating mouth-watering snacks made by Arjun's mother. After the scrumptious meal, we went to the park and played football. We played for a couple of hours and headed back to his place. We were again as hungry as a bear. We ate pizza and again decided to play. This time we decided to play hide n seek. I hid under the bed and Arjun eventually caught me. Soon, we got bored of playing hide and seek and hence decided to make a small lego set. We came up with a rocket out of the lego pieces and it turned out to be fantabulous. Soon the doorbell rang and I saw my Dad. At that moment, I did not feel like going back home and wanted time to stop. We both enjoyed the day with each other and I look forward to such visits more often.

-Zayen M Yadav (III-C)



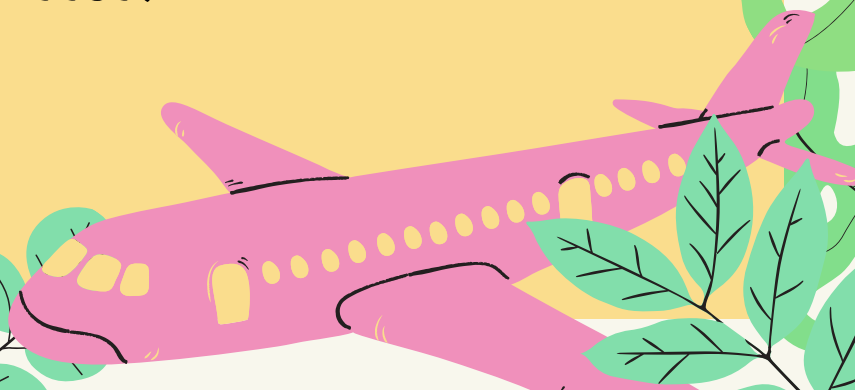
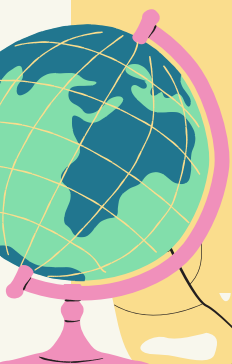
FINDING MY IDENTITY

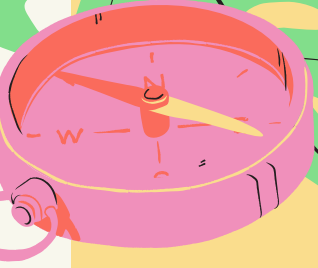
**I am from the colorful world map on my wall,
And the dream to travel all over the world.**

**I am from India, the country of traditions,
I am from Punjab and Odisha,
And from the warm, shady roads of New Delhi,
But also the loud, bustling streets of New York
City.**

**I am from sweet Dunkin Donuts and exciting
Marble Olympics,
From the wizards of Harry Potter,
And the myths of Rick Riordan,
But also Particle physics and Organic chemistry.**

**I am from the ripe mangoes,
Which are so sweet
And Paranthas and palak paneer and ghee,
But also french fries and pizza with lots of
cheese.**





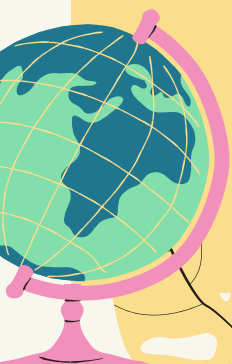
**I am from Khyati and Arnav
The best cousins - so full of love,
I am from Mumma and Papa
Who will love me till the end of the world.
I am from my Nanu Nani ,
Always loving me
But also friends who are like family.**

**I am from 425 and 5D,
And Beekman Hill and Sanskriti ,
The best school years
But across countries.**

**I am from the bright lights of Diwali ,
And celebrating with extended family
And the vibrant colors of Holi,
But also Christmas lights and Halloween candy,**

**Somewhere in all these
I will find my identity**

-Advay Misra (V-D)



Wondering about the night sky.....

At this age when I am 10, like most of the children of my age, I have more than 10 hobbies & interests. But out of all of them the most relaxing thing is sitting and watching the night sky. It is a feast for eyes to just look at the sky and the stars. People often question whether miracles happen? Well! I would say, just look at the night sky full of twinkling stars, it is nothing less than a miracle. Looking at them I wonder, what is beyond them? There must be planets beyond our vision and reach which do have life. What forms of lives are there? Are they also curious about us? How do they look like? Will we ever reach them? What if we do? Will they harm us? Phew! Hell, lot of questions But whatever said and done, despite all the mystery and unanswered questions, it is still peaceful to watch them. There are stars and constellations which do not change their place in the night sky whereas there are many which always find a new place for themselves. It's like a game to look at them every night and figure out which one is where, as if I take their attendance and they respond by smiling at me.

Let me tell you about few of my favourite constellations which are extremely easy to spot.

Ursa Major or the Great Bear: Once you spot the cup and handle of big dipper, you have actually identified the head and neck of Great Bear. It also leads you to North Star or the Polaris and ultimately Ursa Minor or The Little Bear.

Orion: It is also known as 'The Hunter'. Not only does it look beautiful, but it is also the easiest constellation to spot in the night sky. Even on cloudy days when all the stars of this constellation are not visible, you can still spot the three stars that form the straight line of the hunter's belt.

I can go on and on; but would like to conclude by saying that all those who haven't explored this hobby yet, do give it a shot. I am sure it will enchant you. And yes, a friendly advice don't think about using a telescope until you master seeing the easy-to-spot stars and constellations with your naked eyes. It is much more fun. You can even do it as a family activity or with a group of likeminded friends. All the best and happy star gazing!!

Asmi Chaudhary
(V-A)

PRECIOUS AND LOVED

It has been more than a year already since we started living a new kind of life. Mask, sanitizer, quarantine, isolation, oxygen became a part of our day-to-day discussions. Covid19 changed our lives completely. In November last year, I shifted to Lucknow with my grandparents for some days. I carried all my books, notebooks, stationery, laptop and toys with me. I was extremely happy. We came by road to Lucknow. I had a fun-filled trip. After reaching Lucknow, I independently attended my school's online classes. I made a timetable for myself. I tried to follow it as much as possible. My dadi told me to schedule my day wisely. I woke up early in the morning, did exercise or yoga on the terrace, in the fresh air.

It felt so good in the morning.

After my morning routine, I attended my school's online classes. My dadi leaves for work by 8 in the morning.

After finishing my online school class, I played for an hour.

After playing, I ate lunch with my dadu.

I also made sure to finish doing my homework before my dadi came home from work by 4 pm, So that I could enjoy playing with her. After my evening play session, I take shower followed by dinner. Before going to bed, I read any book of my choice. I have enjoyed all the festivals here, played Holi with flowers, went to see my paternal village, saw the farms, and enjoyed playing in the muddy puddles in the rains.

I developed a routine to follow in Lucknow and I loved it so much that I am still with my dadu dadi.

My parents visit me often. And I promise to be back to Delhi when the schools will reopen for us.

-AAYUSH SINGH
(IIID)



My trip to Harshil



After getting frustrated with this virus, my family and I planned a trip to HARSHIL,UTTARAKHAND on January 2021.

We started our journey at 4:30 AM and reached by 7:20 PM on 24th January.

After a tiring journey we straight away went to sleep. The next day, we went around and were enjoying the beautiful mountains. My aunt told me to click some pictures and she gave me the camera. This is a beautiful click that I captured.

-Prisha Malhotra (V-F)

Funny Jokes & Riddles

1. WHAT DO YOU GIVE A SICK LEMON FOR IT TO FEEL BETTER?

Ans- LEMON-AID

2. WHAT STARTS WITH E ENDS WITH E AND HAS ONLY ONE LETTER?

Ans- ENVELOPE

3. WHAT IS YOURS BUT OTHER PEOPLE USE IT MORE THAN YOU?

Ans- YOUR NAME

4. WHY DID THE BOY BRING A LADDER TO SCHOOL?

Ans- BECAUSE HE WANTED A 'HIGHER' EDUCATION

5. HOW MANY LETTERS ARE IN THE ALPHABET?

Ans-26. WHAT IS THE CENTER OF GRAVITY?

Ans- THE LETTER

7. WHAT DO ELVES LEARN IN SCHOOL?

Ans- THE - ELF - ABET

8. WHAT IS THE FASTEST WAY TO COUNT COWS

Ans- USE A COW - CULATOR

**-Aadhya Baruah
(IV-E)**

Can You Answer that? (Riddles)

1. What is always in front of you but can't be seen?
2. What can you break, even if you never pick it up or touch it?
3. What has many keys but can't open any door?
4. I have lots of colours and I am very small.. I am made of butter and I can fly. What am I?
5. I follow you all the time and copy your every move, but you can't touch me or catch me. What am I?
6. What is black when it's clean and white when it's dirty?
- 7 .Where does today come before yesterday?
8. What invention lets you look right through a wall?

Answers:

1. The future
2. A Promise
3. Piano
4. Butterfly
5. Your Shadow
6. A Blackboard
7. The dictionary
8. Window

-Shaurya Digvijay Negi
(IV-C)

The Rise and Fall of the Evilizer

Set in 1932, this is a story about a man called the "Evilizer". He was last sighted in 1851 in Chicago before he disappeared till he was sighted in 1932, Seattle. Even though everyone gave up hope, the world-famous detectives John. H. Carter and David. J. Harris were ready to solve the mystery. They had heard about Mr. Henderson's ring and diamond stolen. They suspected the Evilizer to be the thief. Carter and Harris decided to go to Mr. Henderson's house to know more about the theft. After inspecting they concluded that the thief was 6 feet 7 inches in height, with a broad face and brown eyes. They also noticed that something was written on the wall, with blood, which said- VINDICTA.

While they were leaving the house, Carter found a letter in Mr. Henderson's mailbox. The letter was from Richard Smith, the agent of the Evilizer, asking them to come to the specified secret location. When they reached the spot, Mr. Smith told them he was working for the Evilizer but wanted to quit now. He also disclosed that the thief was the Evilizer himself. Before leaving, Mr. Smith also told them where they could find the Evilizer. The next day, both the detectives went to No.11 Brixton Road along with Mr. Smith. The Evilizer killed Mr. Smith then and there, right after they had arrived as Mr. Smith had betrayed him. Soon after that, when Carter gave Harris a signal, Harris shot the Evilizer. They also got back Mr. Henderson's ring and diamond. The two greatest detectives the world had ever seen, John Carter and David Harris, solved the mystery once again.

Sarthak Nair (V-B)

My beautiful sunshine

I thought it would be easy to ride a horse as I remembered "Oh, I've ridden a horse before, it won't be a problem for me." I was a few years younger at that time, so it was more of a joyride for me. But now as I am older, I am more serious about learning the skill of horse riding. I had grand ideas sailing in the wind, with the horse beneath me, moving together in harmony.

The horse that was given to me was called Sunshine. She was a retired Army horse who had runderbies, but she was fairly old now, and Almost at the end of her riding age. She was dark brown in colour and weighed 350 kilograms. She was very gentle because she was old and that made me feel very relaxed and confident. Her skin was twitching as she was chasing away flies. She was fullydecked up in riding gear, with stirrups and saddle and reins.

Being a little out of practice, I needed help getting on top of her. The instructor, Mr. Pandey, helped me climb on top. Sunshine didn't resist at all and made me feel comfortable on the saddle. The instructor helped me put my feet in the stirrups and adjusted my posture on the saddle. On top of the horse, I had an entirely different view of the world. The feeling of having 350 kilograms of



muscle under my command made me feel invincible. As Sunshine took her first few steps with me on top, I realized how bumpy horse riding can be. Still, I kept a smile on my face and decided that I'll have fun with my time on the horse. As the horse increased speed, Mr. Pandey taught me how to move my body up and down in rhythm with the horse's movements. I also realized that my body will take some time to get used to this. Despite the slight pain I was experiencing, it was a very exhilarating feeling to sit on such a majestic animal, and command it with a tug of the rein and a pat on the neck. After about 45 minutes of riding, the instructor decided it was enough for one day. I silently thanked him in my mind as I was also tired and wanted the lesson to end. As I stepped off Sunshine, my back and my legs reminded me of how many more lessons

I need to get before I got better at horse riding. On a parting note, I fed Sunshine some sugar lumps, patted her on the muzzle, and thanked her for letting me ride her. I also thanked Mr. Pandey for giving me basic lessons in riding and vowed to myself that this is one activity that I would love to pursue further. I look forward to my next encounter with Sunshine if she is still around by then. If not, I shall always remember Sunshine and carry on my lessons on some other horse who is as welcoming as she.

-Shivaansh Pathak (V-B)





Boys vs girls or Boys and girls?

Boys are strong and girls are weak,
This idea is so obsolete.
It needs to change in this 21 st century,
I pray, please.

When I was 4, I heard things like,
Basketball is for boys and girls only dance,
People who say this must be in a trance.

I wonder why the world looks at girls like this,
Coz when I look at the world I think I can conquer it!

Doing cartwheels on a beam,
Skateboarding through the streets,
Playing golf since I was 6,
And still more skills to seek.



I wish the world would push me towards
my dreams,
By changing their beliefs.

A polite reminder to teachers as well,
Please be mindful as our little minds
are still impactful,
Let's break the clichés,

And see that girls and boys are equals.

-Avya Rathee
(V-B)



ROBERT
DOWNEY JR.
ELIZABETH
OLSEN

CHRIS
HEMSWORTH
ANTHONY
MACKIE

MARK
RUFFALO
SEBASTIAN
STAN

CHRIS
EVANS
LETITIA
WRIGHT

SCARLETT
JOHANSSON
DANA
GURIRA

BENEDICT
CUMBERBATCH
DAVE
BAUTISTA

DON
CHEADLE
ZOE
SALDANA

TOM
HOLLAND
with JOSH
BRUEN
in the role of
SPIDER-MAN

CHADWICK
BOISEMAN
with JOSH
BRUEN
in the role of
THOR

PAUL
BETTANY
and CHRIS
PRATT

AVENGERS

Avengers is my favourite toy,

Playing with it fills me with joy,

Superman is my favourite hero,

The evil avenger in front of him is zero,

He has a shield,

It protects him in the field,

The green hulk is stout and strong,

He destroys the evil and is never wrong,

Hulk has a lot of power,

He kills the evil avenger in an hour.

Samvir Singh

(III-F)

MARVEL STUDIOS
AVENGERS
INFINITY WAR

APRIL 27

Rian's achievement

Rian Kumar, a 6-year old, grade 2 student of Sanskriti School has set a world record. He became the youngest cyclist to cover 108.09 km at a speed of 20.8km /hour in just 5 hours and 17 minutes. It's the longest ride recorded with the Guinness World Book of Records. We are proud of his achievement. As a recognition of his achievement, the Honorable Governor of Tamil Nadu - Shri Banwarilal Purohit felicitated Rian by inviting Rian to the prestigious Raj Bhawan at the State Capital - Chennai. Taking a cue from Rian, he also got motivated to introduce cycling as a sport in schools. Rian's molding process to achieve this rare feat has been gradual but persistent. He started cycling during the lockdown as a part of regular physical activity and to imbibe the routine of getting up early in the morning. However, he expressed a deep inclination in the sport and never got tired. Therefore, he could stretch his capability to cycle 100 km non-stop and even more. Rian intends to set a new record with Guinness, participate in BRM and in the nationals. We believe that a healthy body bears a healthy mind and we are extremely proud of his achievements.



My experience with the “Online classes”

Last year during the month of March, we witnessed a strict lockdown in our country because of the coronavirus outbreak.



I also missed the last few days of my Class-II classes. Then April came and a new school environment was waiting for us- The “Online classes”. The experience was completely different from what we all we're used to in the physical classroom. In the early days of the pandemic, I was very surprised to see my parents introducing me to the various functions of mobile, tablet, and laptop who always discouraged me earlier from using any electronic gadget with screens saying that I might get sore eyes. It was a clear indication to me that our world is up to something and the societal norms are changing rapidly.

At first, I found the whole environment of the online class a bit awkward. It was quite obvious that neither we students nor our teachers were comfortable with this new medium of teaching. We all struggled in joining classes, understanding the various functions of the software, and interacting through presentations. Even speaking in front of an electronic screen itself was very awkward for me. But, everyone adjusted very quickly

with the excellent support of our teachers. Slowly and slowly, we learned the protocol of attending the online classes, the art of presentation, uploading of assignments, appearing in the unit tests and a lot of other inter-related things. What I have noticed is that the whole online education process has made us self-



dependent and very responsible.

This new learning experience was full of fun also. On various occasions, the situation became very hilarious when someone accidentally forgot to switch off their



microphones and the background

conversations of their family members were audible to everyone. A particular funny incident happened when our class teacher took attendance and we all replied as "On line, Ma'am/Off-line, Ma'am". On another occasion, one student desperately tried to give an excuse for not doing the assignment by saying, "Ma'am, I have done the assignment but forgot to bring the notebook" without realizing that he was sitting in his home only. It was very amusing to see our teacher bursting into laughter instead of becoming angry with him.

Now I am very comfortable in the online class environment, but I am also missing the physical presence of our beloved teachers, classmates, the joyride of school bus and the sweet aroma of our school. The feeling of being surrounded by friends is unparalleled and therefore, a kind of vacuum is still left. We all are hoping that the pandemic will be over very soon and we may again meet in person and start learning things while playing.

Maybe at that time, we will start missing the online

classes once again and the typical conversations we are having at present like "Ma'am, your microphone is mute",

"Ma'am, your audio is not clear",

"Friend, your video is off", "Pls don't eat during the class" or "Don't be offline in the middle of a class".



-Darsh Kumar (IV-F)

AS I COMPLETE 7 YEARS IN SANSKRITI SCHOOL.....

It has been a wonderful experience in Sanskriti School since I joined the school in April, 2015 in Nursery. The teachers have been so kind. They teach us in such a patient and interesting way that it looks like we are reading a story!

I remember and miss the times when Corona was not there and when we would reach the School gate, our beloved Principal Ma'am would smile at us and greet us kindly, and we would greet her back.

The sports events, the Parents' Day and the Grandparents' Day were some of the fun-filled activities in the early years of my school life which I can never forget. I was also so excited to visit the Winter Carnival with my parents in December every year.

During Covid-19 pandemic, online classes are being so nicely conducted. I really liked the idea of reading the daily news items during online classes.

Oh, I hope the pandemic is over soon and we get back to school. Those would be our happiest moments.

How proud I am to be a Sanskritian!!

-Shiv Jindal (V-C)

My School My Pride

School is a place of learning. It is school where student can learn important attributes of life such as- punctuality, manners, discipline, positivity, honesty, value of sharing and spirit of teamwork etc.

I joined Sanskriti School in Class 3. And after having one beautiful year, our school closed due to the pandemic. Initially, I was slightly happy but I was not aware that the school won't open till 2021. I wish our school had never closed.

I salute all my teachers that despite pandemic and great difficulties they worked day and night to educate us through various ways and means. The classes are very engaging because of our teachers and the way they teach. No other school has such enormous and interesting activities in present online mode. Thank you so much Sanskriti to make me a confident, creative thinker and a smiling child. There are lot of things that make my school different than others such as it introduces the new chapters in a very easy way and then provide comprehensive presentation along with exercises followed by unit test. The school also provide new activities such as book reading competition, painting, spelling bee, Olympiad etc. I never thought that I would have such an amazing school and teachers. Teachers, because of you I am respected and admired. You taught me how to stand and speak confidently in front of public. In conclusion, I would also like to say that school indeed is my pride where I spend maximum of my time in the company of parent-like teachers and sibling-like friends. .

Whatever I am right now is because of My School My Pride. I love you Sanskriti!

-Shivi Pandey

(V-C)



Dear tooth fairy.....

Oh! It's the truth,
that I have broken my tooth.

I sleep with it in my hand,
Until I slip into my dreamland.

There I make a wish to the tooth fairy,
that everyone should be joyful and merry!

School-school open soon...

Oh! How I miss my school,
in our uniforms we looked so cool!

I miss laughing like a fool,
but I followed the rule ,
and jumped into the pool.

How I wish our school opens soon,
With all my heart I pray to the moon!



-Manasvi Srivastava (II-B)

Red Panda

Red panda is my favourite animal found in parts of India, China, Nepal, Burma, and Tibet. State animal of Sikkim. They can live up to 23 years. They eat bamboo, leaves, insects, fruits, birds, eggs, and small lizards. In fact, red pandas have adapted so well to life in the trees that they're famous for their incredible acrobatic skills. Red pandas are endangered and are legally protected.

Their primary threats are habitat loss and degradation, human interference and poaching...Snow Leopards and Martens are the only real predators of the Red Panda along with Birds of Prey and small carnivores that prey on the smaller and more vulnerable cubs.

Did you know that China has the largest number of red pandas? They were given the name 'panda' first; roughly fifty years before the black and white variety. They have a false thumb (an extended wrist bone) which has developed over time to help them climb trees and eat bamboo. They're vegetarian carnivores...



I hope you too like red panda as much as I do...Do visit Sikkim to see them...

-Abhiraj Pant (III-D)

The Courageous Prince Abhimanyu - The Known and Unknown

Abhimanyu was the incarnation of the moon-God Soma. But Abhimanyu, as a human, was the son of Arjuna and Subhadra. Arjuna was the greatest warrior of his time and Subhadra was the warrior-princess. Arjuna loved Abhimanyu the most even though he had three more sons. The fact that Abhimanyu's qualities were special was known to everyone. This is not because Arjuna had a divine father, the king of the Devas, Indra. It was also not because of the valour and skills of Abhimanyu's father. He had started displaying his skill with bow and arrow ever since he could walk. He always wanted to be a great archer like his father. He could carve out an identity for himself as he was a great warrior himself.

Abhimanyu was the favourite of his uncles and relatives. Abhimanyu had learnt in his mother's womb how to get into a battle formation called 'Chakravyuh' by listening to Arjuna on how to break the formation.

However, Subhadra had only listened to Arjuna till he narrated about how to break the formation. Unfortunately, Subhadra had fallen asleep when Arjuna was narrating how to get out of it. When the actual Mahabharat was being fought and Guru Drona had arranged his troops in 'Chakravyuh' formation, Abhimanyu was aware that he did not know how to get out of the 'Chakravyuh'. And yet with a lion- hearted courage he went inside the 'Chakravyuh' and fought bravely against the Kauravas. But when the Kauravas attacked when he was inside the 'Chakravyuh' battle formation, he was not able to come out of it. Abhimanyu died a heroic death at the end. When the moon - God had permitted his son to descend in human form he had put one condition that he would bear his separation from his son only for 16 years. Thus, brave Abhimanyu lived only till he was 16 years old. Thus, we should all know that one is known for one's deeds, talent and character.

Pernita Mohanty V-A

The Story behind the National Emblem

The national emblem of India symbolizes the country's culture, value, history and identity

. It is a symbol of our ancient commitment to world peace and goodwill signifying the fact that law is above all and truth triumphs.

It was on 26 January 1950, the historic moment when India became a republic, that the National Emblem was officially adopted as the National symbol from Emperor Ashoka's Lion Capital situated at Sarnath near Varanasi in

Uttar Pradesh. The Lion Capital is a structure that was erected in 250 B.C (3rd Century) by Emperor Ashoka, the 3rd king of Maurya Dynasty, on the top of the Ashoka pillar in Sarnath. The structure was built to represent love and peace as it is believed to be the place where Lord Buddha gave his first sermon after attaining enlightenment and the Buddhist

Sangha came into existence. The Lion Capital has 4 Asiatic Lions symbolizing Power, Courage, Pride and Confidence seated on a circular abacus guarded by 4 smaller animals – symbolic of guardians in the 4 directions. The Lion in the north represents Bravery, the elephant in the east represents Strength, the horse in the south represents Loyalty and the bull in the west represents Hard work.

The abacus rests on a full bloom lotus flower signifying

Creativity and Fullness of Life. The Dharma Chakra features right below the lions and has 24 spokes representing 24 hours of the day, teaching us to move forward in life and that time cannot be bound. The motto Satyameva Jayate is inscribed below the abacus.

The National Emblem is a replica of the Lions of Sarnath with 3 visible lions [one hidden from view] symbolizing Power, Courage and Confidence mounted on a circular abacus. There is a chakra at the center symbolizing Dharma Chakra with a bull on the right and a galloping horse on the left. The motto Satyameva Jayate is inscribed below the abacus (which is a quote from the Mundaka Upanishad) in Devanagari script which means 'Truth Alone Triumph'. The National Emblem is the official seal of the President of India, Central and State Governments. It is used by the Government of India on all official documents and commands the highest respect and loyalty. All Indian currency, passports and Government official letterheads also carry the symbol.

-Karan Veer Singh (III-D)

MOON

Every day, a white light

Comes to my room at night.

It looks like a snowball,

But it does not fall.

Oh! It is the white, bright Moon

It does not appear in the noon.

The moon is round,

But sometimes half of it, is not found.

EARTH

It is the great Earth

Where we take our birth

It has mountains and fountains

It has trees and bees

It is also called the Mother earth

Or the blue planet!

-Mahathi Ganesan

(III-D)

THE NEW COACH


An excited 7 year old Rajiv ran through the crowd hoping to get a glimpse of his idol Sunil Chettri. "Ticket please" a guard said "uh-errr" was all Rajiv could mumble after he frantically searched in his pockets. As he retraced his tracks he remembered that he had run through a plot full of bushes that reached exactly his pocket level. "Arrrggghhh! It must have dropped there. Oh what to do? I can't believe this is happening. Eureka! backup plan" he thought and he dived between the guards' feet and ran into the football field. He was met by half a dozen guards and was escorted out by two hefty ones. When he saw one guard even follow him on a bike, he outran the guard with a mix of sharp turns and quick sprints. After an hour or two he found himself back home.

He woke up the next day with a good feeling, after all, it was Saturday and usually he spent Saturday mornings with his friend, Yuu. Yuu was actually from Japan but his parents were posted or transferred or whatever to India. Yuu compared Rajiv's speed with the speed of Usain Bolt, the fastest man on the planet. Rajiv admired him and was pleased about the comparison but his real hero was Sunil Chettri the football captain of India. After around twenty minutes of running he returned home for breakfast he then spent his time on the computer instead of watching football or speed training, he researched and signed up for a junior football match. According to the website the date of the match was 21 May. He had exactly 2 weeks to prepare. He excitedly called up Yuu,

"YUU I JUST SIGNED UP FOR A FOOTBALL MATCH!!" Yelled
Rajiv

"So?" Yuu mumbled in sleepy voice "I was just going to sleep you know and I think you woke my parents upstairs"

"But a football match" Rajiv whined....





Yuu yawned “Tomorrow Rajiv bye” and with that Rajiv’s phone rang he quickly checked who called him but... no one called him he realized it was a notification it read “Young Footballers your teams have been sorted tomorrow there will be a test determining your position in your respective teams” he whooped.

The next day he woke up and called Yuu, “Come to my match” and as he immediately hung up he whatsapped the coordinates on google maps . He wore his football shirt and informed his father about the match and asked for a lift to the football field. He ran to the football field and it started off with him having to dribble past a defender who was also getting tested. He did this with ease. He then was further tested as a defender, he blocked every single ball dribbled near him and scored it back too, and finally he was tested as a goalie. “Oh no!” Rajiv thought but he got lucky until a person just kicked it through his legs so fast that he lost his chance of being a goalie. But anyway he thought being a goalie was boring but important and finally when the results came he was announced the midfielder and the captain. He felt pride swell up inside him after that he got a special badge and a red outfit. The next few weeks were spent taking down phone numbers and practicing football not only in his backyard but others too and off course breaking his piggy bank to buy coaching classes from a football player. Even though the website didn’t specify which player they did tell him it was from the Indian team (Hooray!!!).

Finally, it was the day of the match. He was put in the centre of the field along with another person. He held his breath as the ball bounced three times. 1 (breath) 2 (breath) 3 and he kicked it higher than he ever could. He hit a perfect straight hit into the sky. He figured out it would land right where he kicked it. While the others ran around trying to figure out where the ball would be Rajiv nudged the other captain with his knee and just as the ball was about 6 feet in the air he jumped and bounced it on his head he then rolled it down to his knee and did a high pass to the ace striker of their team Rohan, he was standing beside a defender but... the defender got the ball and passed it to the other midfielder. Good for Rajiv he knew this trick he ran backwards and used the momentum of the ball falling down to shoot it at the goalpost at such speed that their goalie missed it and he scored!!! After the first goal they got a huge lead. The rest of the match passed in a blur but he clearly remembered that he wasn't the only player with talent there. After that there was an awarding ceremony where Sunil Chettri HIMSELF (Rajiv blinked and even pinched himself refusing to believe it, he nearly slapped himself and punched himself too) gave the trophies and medals to him and his team!!

The next week Rajiv had his first football coaching class. As he entered the huge stadium he passed a lot of classes. He finally found his room and opened the door only to find Sunil Chettri. He was delighted.

Siddharsh Jayachandran 4 E



What is true sportsman spirit?

Many of you may have heard about the incident at the Tokyo Olympics 2020 in the men's high jump competition when two people shared the gold medal. Mutaz Essa Barshim of Qatar and Gianmarco Tamberi of Italy refused to play a jump off and shared a gold medal for men's high jump. It was truly a moment for the ages! Barshim and Tamberi had both cleared 2.37 metres and had failed to clear 2.39 metres. Then it was time for a jump off. As the official approached them, Barshim asked if there could be two golds. The official said that it was up to them. The two friends clasped hands and shouted out with joy.

This led me to think as to what true sportsman spirit is. Should they have pushed their limits and done the jump off or shared the glory because of their friendship? What is your opinion? According to me, their decision to share gold was right because the 2020 Olympics motto is "Swifter, Higher, Stronger..... Together" which recognizes the unifying spirit of the Olympics.

-Nikhil Basant (IV-E)



My Favourite Activity & My Favourite Book

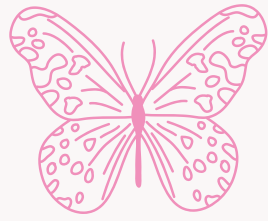
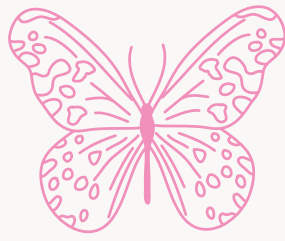
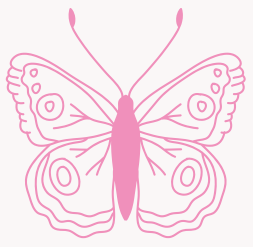
Reading books is my favourite relaxation activity. I feel there is nothing better than reading books, if you want to drive your imagination and want to have better understanding of the stuff around you. Books keep me hooked and my curiosity never ends. Many a times I don't feel like to put the book down and only when my mother insists that I should, I do it. I enjoy reading fiction more than non-fiction. Some of the authors that I have read are Enid Blyton, Roald Dahl, David Walliams, Ron Roy, Helen Moss and Ross Welford. Amongst all these books 'Grandpa's Great Escape' by David Walliams is my favourite book.

The story is about a 12-year-old boy Jack and his grandfather. Jack is extremely fond of his grandfather and enjoys spending time with him. Grandfather is a retired British Air Force fighter pilot and had participated in the World War II. However, he still believes that he is in the Air Force and the war against the Germans is continuing. Grandfather often tells tales of the war which are both heroic and intriguing. Because of his delusions, Grandfather often gets into trouble and his safety becomes a concern for Jack and his parents. As his condition worsens, the family decides to move him to an 'old folks home'.

The 'old folks home' is unlike a home and the only agenda of the wicked matron who is the incharge, is to fleece the old folks of all their money and other possessions. While grandfather thinks that he has been captured by the enemy, the Germans, and has been put in 'Prisoner of War' camp, Jack finds out the truth and decides to expose the matron and her intentions. Without revealing the complete plot, I would say that this book is a 'must read' story of family connections, difficulties of old age and is both hilarious and emotional.



**-Naaysha Singh Patel
(III-A)**



THE BUTTERFLY

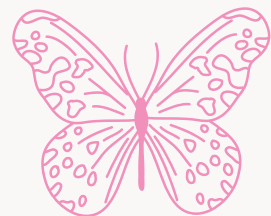
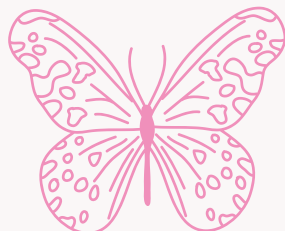
From silver to golden
On a leaf of green
Comes a butterfly full of gleam
Rose to rose she flew
Went where the wind blew.



She was a beautiful sight
As she was strong in her flight
I watched her flutter away
In the radiant sun of May.



-RAJANEEA MEHTA (IV-E)



The Red Dragon

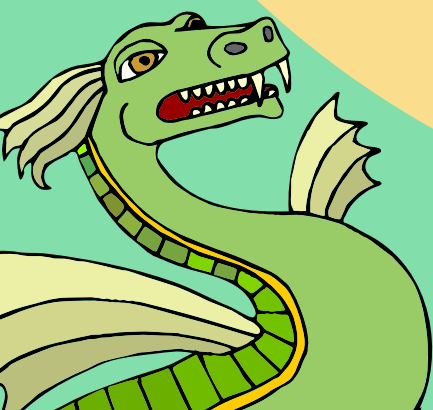
Once far, far away there was a village. One day, people saw smoke coming from behind the trees.

They got scared. A wise man planned a meeting. He said "The smoke is coming from a dragon. We have to do something." An old lady said, "We could send some people to talk to him." Everybody agreed with her. So, the wise man sent some people to talk to the dragon. When they reached where the dragon was, they hid in some bushes. The dragon had emerald eyes, a red skin, a long tail,

and a pair of wings. The people got out of the bushes and slowly walked to the dragon. The first villager tripped over a stone and fell at the dragon's head. The dragon woke up and when he saw the man, he got mad. His frown scared the people. The dragon growled and said "What do you want?" The people said "Can you please move to another place?"

We are getting disturbed by the smoke." The dragon replied "Okay, but only if you do me a favor." The people said, "What favor do you want?" The dragon said, "I have a very sharp thorn stuck in my leg. Please, take it out." The people

said "Okay, just wait a minute." The people ran and got a rope. They stuck the rope to the thorn and pulled the rope. The thorn came out and the dragon was free of the pain. He was very happy, so he took the people on a ride.

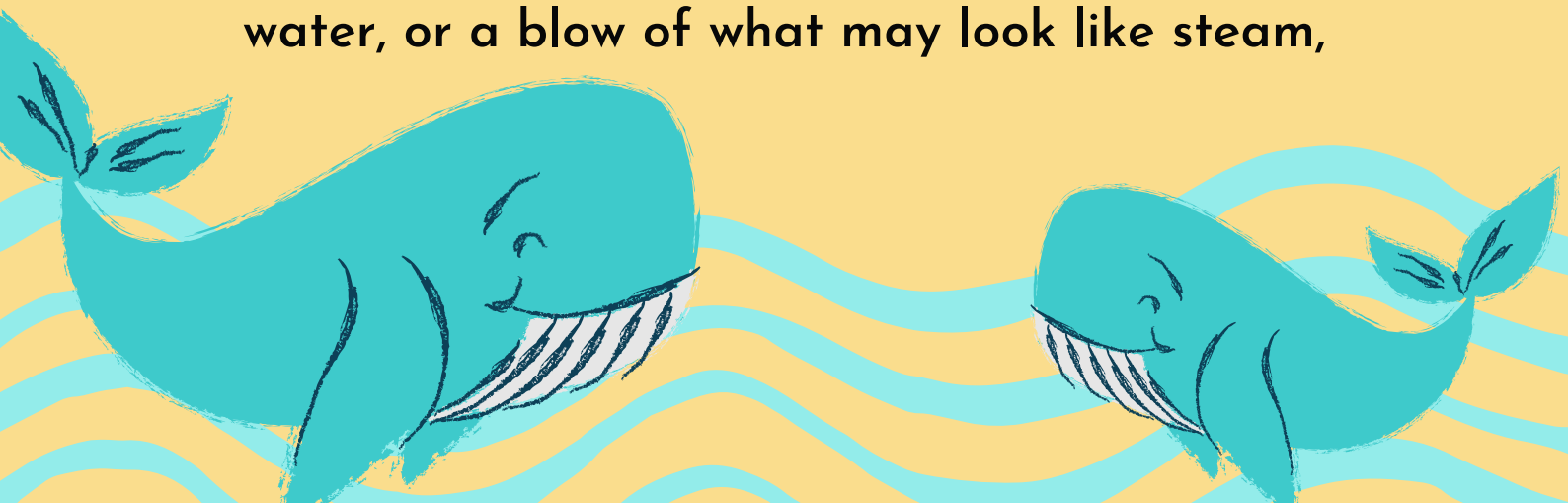


Dhruv Shukla (III-A)

WHALE

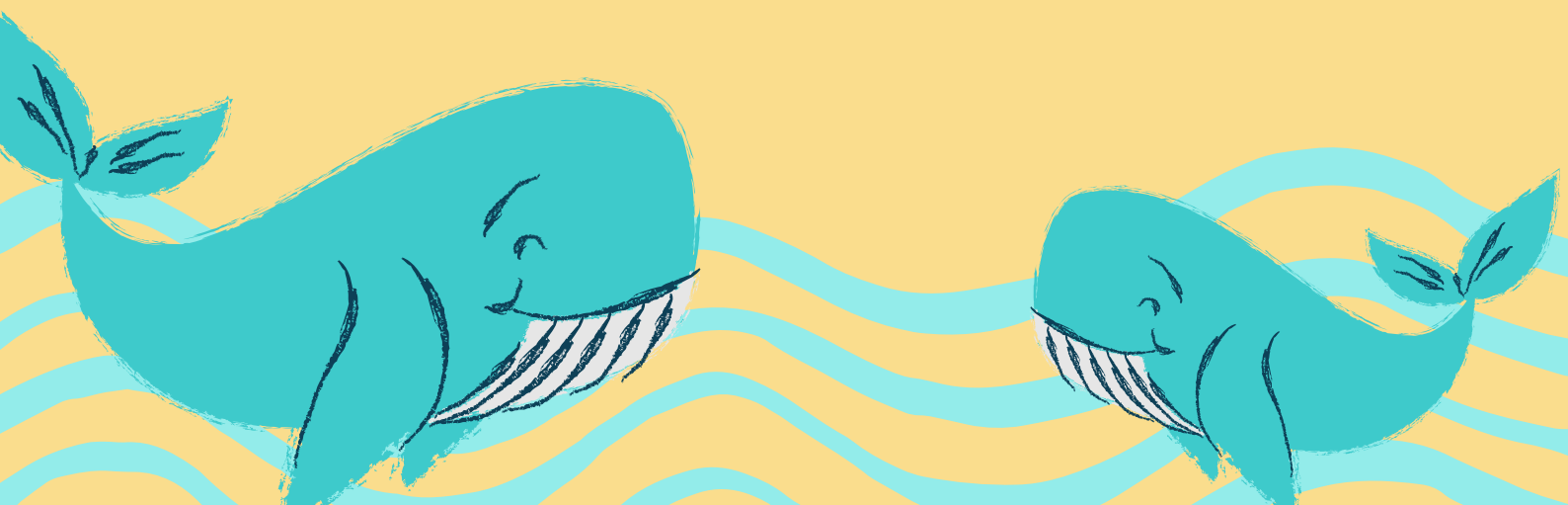
This story is about my great Hawai'ian Humpback Whale Watch. I, along with my parents, boarded a ship called the Pacific Ocean Foundation : Discovery wearing my orange "Microsoft Coder" hat with my binoculars and Viator sunglasses around my neck. Before anybody boarded, the crew made an announcement that the waters would be choppy, so the ride could be bumpy. This made me nervous. On the ramp up, we had a photo taken by the captain in which I was holding a life preserver, or a bouy. After this I boarded, wondering if I would see any whales at all.

When I entered the big orange, blue and white ship, we went to the top deck and got seats with a great view. After this, I listened to another announcement stating some of the signs of whale view. These signs were the fluke, or tail, the fin on the back, which is also known as the dorsal fin, sticking out of the water, or a blow of what may look like steam,



but is the whale's breath above the water! So, then the Discover took off. When we were farther out into the ocean, everybody on the ship saw a lot of whales, and every time someone saw one everybody got excited! We first saw a pair of whales, then we saw a breach, which is when a whale gets out of the water almost completely, which is also very rare. After that we saw a baby whale. Also, sometime before we saw the baby whale, we put a hydrophone, which is a machine used to listen to sounds underwater, hoping to track down a whale by listening to its "song". We could hear a whale's song, though it was very faint due to all the other racket, which were the sounds of other animals and the boat rocking. We could also look back at the wonderful outline of the volcanic Hawai'ian island of Mau'i which was great.

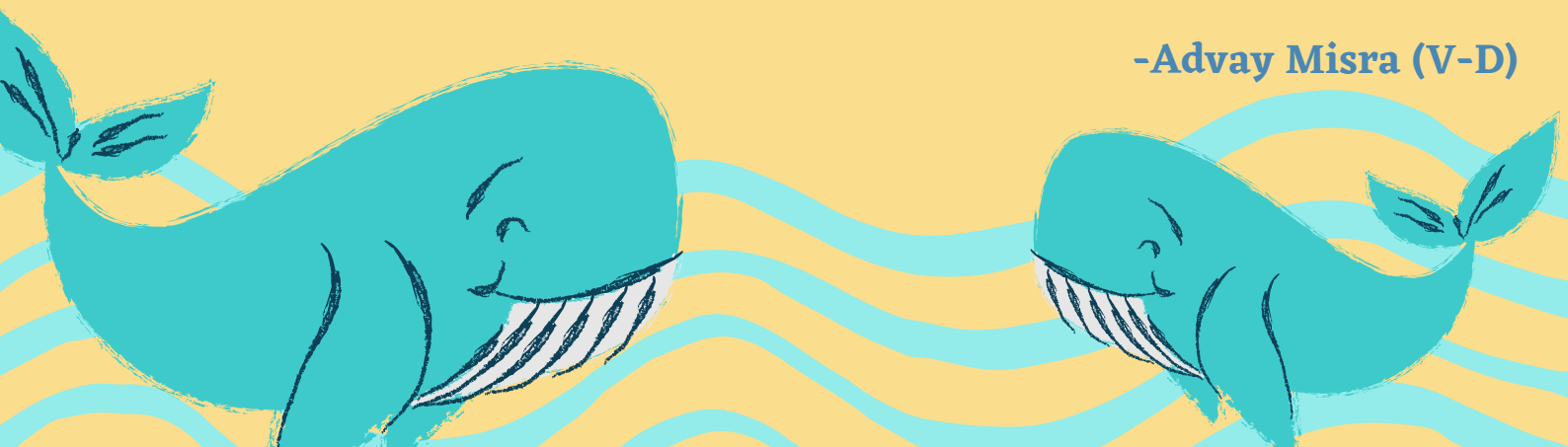
Here are some interesting facts. Humpback whales, which usually live near Alaska and Northern Russia which are their feeding grounds, migrate near 3,000 miles south in the winter to breed.



Some reasons they breed here is due to warmer water for the baby whales as well as less predators to harm the calves. Also, each whale has a different 'flukeprint', which is the pattern on the back of the tail. No two whales have the same flukeprint. Scientists use this unique factor to identify, sort and study whales. Also, nobody has seen a whale give birth in their breeding grounds and they do not give birth outside them, so how do we know that they breed here ? We know because of signs of whales breeding here. Also, male whales sometimes form "competition groups" to compete for a female. This is due to the outnumbering females so that for each female there are three males. This makes females a prized object to males. So, it is common to see more than two males together, a male and a female or more than two males chasing a female.

To conclude, I was so tired of being excited that I dozed off before we even deboarded. At last, I woke up and we got our photo printed and we went back to where we were staying.

-Advay Misra (V-D)



Life in the times of corona

It has been almost one and half years now that the whole world is living under the shadow of corona. Millions of people have been affected by it and hundreds of thousands have unfortunately lost their lives. I will briefly mention the hardships faced by small kids like us.

Last year when corona started, everything including our school was shut down. Initially we thought that this lockdown would be for a few days and we actually enjoyed our stay at home. But weeks turned into months and months turned into years, we have not gone to school.

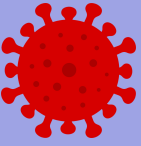
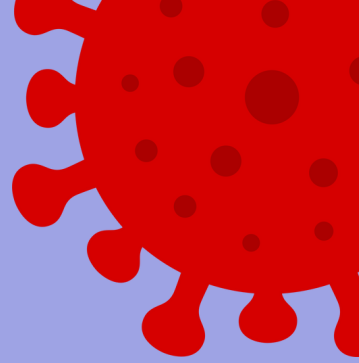
We were not even allowed to go to parks to play, to eat out or to meet our friends. Whenever we went out for some urgent work

we had to wear mask on our nose and mouth and take bath on return. We felt bored all the time.

But slowly we learned to live with it and make the most of our time. Thankfully our teachers started online classes and at least the studies became normal. Though we are able to continue with our studies, we badly miss the company of our friends. I would love to go to school, sit in the class with our friends and play with them during breaks.

I wish corona to go away soon so that we can all resume our normal lives once again.

-Neyamat Kaur (III-A)



A Child's Dream

A wise man once said, "Be careful of what you wish for, sometimes wishes come true."

There was a time when children like me used to dream of a long break from school, involving studying from home. Children all over the world would dream of not having to wake up in the morning and trudge to school. Their wish came true, when the worldwide pandemic broke out in 2020, but it wasn't at all like we imagined it to be.

My dreams have now changed slightly. I now dream of me playing in the parks with my friends, going to school daily, meeting my loved ones more often and going on vacations with my family.

In the last 2 years, the pandemic has taken away our childhood joys and freedom.



I simply wish for a normal world for children and a safe and secure life for everyone. That's all I hope and pray for now!

-Yashodhara Tiwari IV-E

DAISY'S ADVENTURE

Once upon a time there was a girl named Daisy. She was 9 years old and lived in the woods with her parents. Daisy loved every bit of nature and was particularly fond of animals. She had a pet Persian cat, named Bella. One sunny day Daisy and

Bella were playing in their backyard where Daisy was teaching Bella to play "fetch" with a stick. Suddenly Daisy tripped and toppled over. When she got up and saw what had made her trip and fall, she was shocked. It was a key! Daisy picked it up and examined it closely. It occurred to her, that there was a queer door in her bedroom which had no door handle but only a little hole, where this key could fit. She

scurried towards her room so that she could try inserting the key and BINGO, it worked! The door opened with a creak and

Daisy peered in. She saw a few doors and each one had the name of an animal written on it. There was cat, dog, horse and unicorn written on the doors. Daisy opened the first door which said 'Cat'. Bella immediately rushed inside as she could see many cats. All of them, except one were caged. Daisy and

Bella unhooked the cages and let those animals free. They made friends with the cats and spent some time frolicking.

Daisy soon realized that there was still a lot left to explore and she rushed to open the door which was labelled 'Unicorn'. Unicorns had always mystified Daisy and couldn't wait to see a real unicorn.

Just when daisy was about to open the door, she heard her alarm clock ringing. This awakened Daisy and she realised that it was all a dream. However, she cherished her dream and wished that she continues with it the next time.

THE FUTURISTIC BINOCULARS

One day I was looking through my new binoculars gifted by my Dad on my birthday. Suddenly it started to rain.

Within a fraction of a second, a lightning struck my binoculars... Oh! I was so scared!!!! I thought it broke, but I was relieved to know that it was safe and sound. I carefully kept it inside and got busy in completing my homework.

After a few days I took my binoculars and decided to explore some features of it. I went out and looked through it. A strange view flashed in front of my eyes. I saw a dog crashing into a car!!!! I just removed the binoculars but could not see anything in front of my naked eyes. I wondered what I just saw. After few moments the same dog passed me, I gave him biscuits and picked it the dog up. Just then I saw the same car going through the path, but as the dog was in my lap, I was able to save the dog's life. I didn't understand what just happened but kept the binoculars again back in the cupboard.

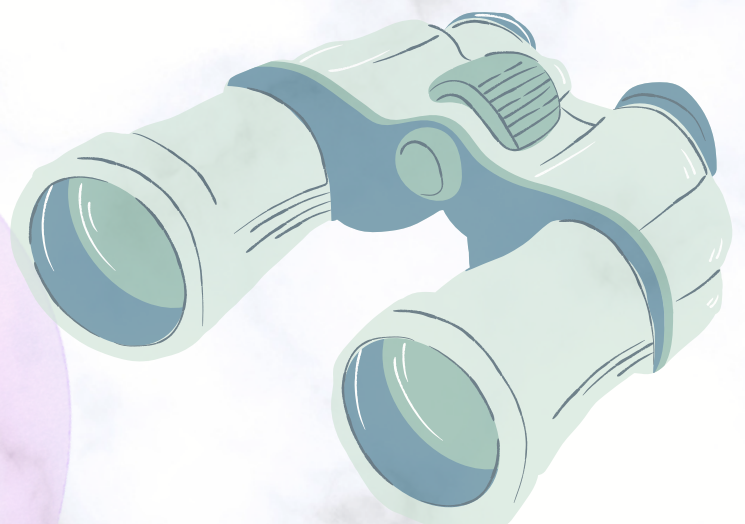
After few days again I looked through my most loved binoculars and saw that my friends were talking about a cricket match. I knew that the match was supposed to happen after a week.... But they were talking about it as if it really happened.

Then I figured out that the binocular can take us into the future. Knowing this, I couldn't stop myself and I started helping many like saving someone from an accident or when some items got lost I helped to find those things.

But one day I could see my exam paper. I couldn't resist myself so I revised all the questions. After my exam I felt guilty and told my parents about it. At first they were angry but after some time they scolded me. I promised my parents that I will not do it again. They forgave me for the first and the last time.

After a while I saw my binoculars. They were upgraded and had a new metallic look, panels and switches. They looked like binoculars from 4041. I looked through it and I was astonished. There was a dial for both past and future. I was extremely excited as I could time travel and I decided that I will use it to promote good deeds in the world around us.

-Prithvi Sanyal (V-B)



Blue Beard

Once upon a time there was a man named blue beard. One day he was walking through the jungle while singing a song - tram-tram-tram.. After some time when the song was over, he thought it is time to eat some thing. He saw a beautiful house with sunflowers growing on both sides and on its window there were carrots. Blue Beard thought it was rabbits house and He is a good host, Blue

beard went and said knock-knock Please open the door, but no one came out after a while blue Beard got angry and kicked the door

out and said
come

When
became
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coke and.
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then a pretty girl came stop knocking at my door inside and drink coco Blue beard saw food he very happy and he ran food. He ate a piece of then put his finger in the jar and licked his fingers.

After that he tried to pick another piece of cake, but his bowl fell over the girls coco and spilled it. She became angry and said you are very naughty person. I will lock you in a dark room. She locked Blue beard in a darkroom, Blue beard became very sad and thought, he will be trapped in this room, forever. Just then he saw a pot over fire and thought to open the pot and eat whatever was in it.

But just when he tried to open the pot he tore a hole and realized that it was a painting. When he removed the painting there was a door behind it. He opened the door and a found a room full of chocolates, cakes and sandwiches which he happily ate. Moral - Just when you think it's all over for you. A master piece can give you hope.



YOUR BEST

If you always try your best
Then you'll never have to wonder
All that you could have done
And if you think your best
Wasn't as good
You could still say,
"I gave all that I have in me today"

-Nainika Singh (V-F)



कोरोना - तुम क्यों आए

किसने तुम्हें बुलाया था और किसने तुम्हें चाहा था।
न जरूरत थी तुम्हारी और न ही कोई आहट थी ॥

फिर क्यों तुम आये और जीवन में तूफान ले आये।
न माँगा था तुम्हे न ही तुम्हारे लिए हम तैयार थे ॥

फिर तुम क्यों आये कोरोना तुम क्यों आये।

बड़े बूढ़े बच्चों से न किया भेद,
किसी का स्कूल छूटा ,किसी का काम।
सब बीमारियों में तुम सबसे ज्यादा बदनाम ॥

घरों में किया हमें बंद ,न दवाइयों का प्रबंध।
ऑक्सीजन की कमी से हम रह गए दंग॥

अब हो गया बस, नहीं रहना हमें बेबस।
वैक्सीन है तुम्हारी काट, दो गज की दूरी न पाट ॥

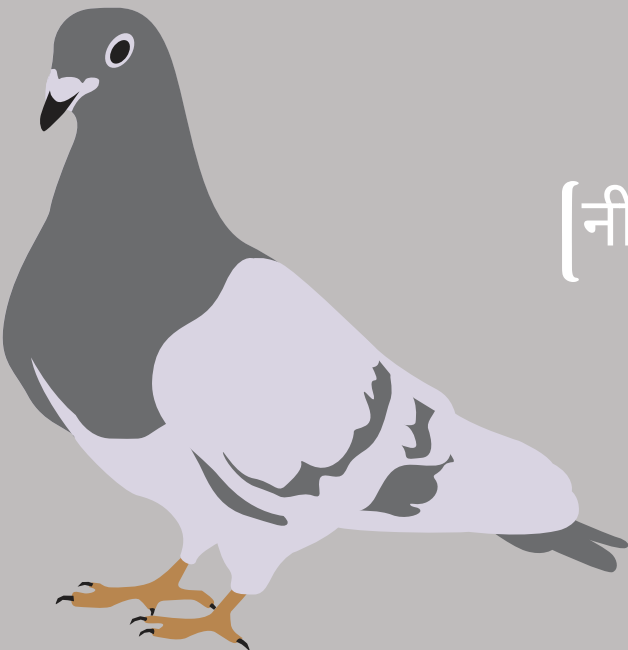
जीवन से करेंगे तुम्हे दूर, हम नहीं रहेंगे मजबूर।
कोरोना को भगाएंगे, सबको स्वस्थ बनाएंगे।
मास्क वैक्सीन व दो गज की दूरी से तुमको मार भगाएंगे ॥

अरनव श्योकंद
कक्षा III F



कबूतर का बच्चा

मेरे घर की खिड़की में,
कबूतरी का एक बच्चा है।
थोड़ा सा नटखट है,
थोड़ा सा वह अच्छा है॥
हाय- हैलो मैंकरता हूँ,
पर जवाब नहीं देता है।
दिन-भर चीं-चीं करता है,
पर मुझको प्यारा लगता है॥
टुकर-टुकर, वह मुझको देखा करता है, और अपनी माँ
सेबहुत डरता है।
इक दिन उसको मैं दावत पर बुलाऊंगा,
और उसको भी अपना पक्का दोस्त बनाऊंगा॥



[नीलेश सिंघल]
[३डी]

मेरा पंजाब

भारत एक विशाल देश है जो उत्तर में कश्मीर से लेकर दक्षिण में कन्याकुमारी और पूर्व में अरुणाचल से लेकर पश्चिम में राजस्थान तक फैला हुआ है। आज मैं आपको पंजाब के बारे में बताऊँगा - पंजाब का मतलब है पाँच + आब अर्थात् पाँच पानी - क्योंकि यहाँ पाँच नदियाँ बहती हैं इसलिए इसका नाम पंजाब पड़ा। पंजाब के लोग बहुत खुशमिज़ाज और मेहनती होते हैं। विश्व प्रसिद्ध स्वर्ण मंदिर पंजाब के अमृतसर में स्थित है। पंजाब अपने भांखड़ा नांगल बांध और वाघा बोर्डर के लिए भी जाना जाता है। पंजाब की राजधानी चंडीगढ़ है जो कि साफ़ सुथरा शहर है। पंजाब के लोगों ने खेलों में भी देश का नाम खूब रोशन किया है। मिल्खा सिंह, युवराज सिंह, हरभजन सिंह इसके कुछ उदाहरण हैं। मैं जब भी पंजाब जाता हूँ तो लस्सी पीटा हूँ खूब मक्के की रोटी और सरसों का साग खाता हूँ और खेतों में खूब घूमता हूँ। आप भी जब पंजाब जाएं तो अमृतसर की नान, जालंधर की चाट खाना और लुधियाना से खरीदारी करना न भूलें।

-कियांश पवार (III-F)



एक तोते की कहानी

एक तोता अपने बच्चे के साथ बरगद के पेड़ पर रहता था। एक दिन एक शिकारी पेड़ के पास आया। उसके पास बंदूक थी और वह तोते का शिकार करना चाहता था। तोता डर गया और अपने बच्चे के साथ उड़ गया। वे मीलों तक उड़ते रहे और फिर वे एक सुंदर बगीचे में पहुँचे।

तोते एक आम के पेड़ पर बैठ गए। वे नई जगह पर थे इसलिए थोड़ा डर भी रहे थे। तभी उन्हें बच्चों की आवाज़ सुनाई दी। बच्चे उस बगीचे में खेल रहे थे। यह रोहन के घर का बगीचा था, रोहन पक्षियों से बहुत प्यार करता था। जब उसने आम के पेड़ पर तोतों को देखा तो बहुत खुश हो।

रोहन हर रोज तोते के लिए पानी, हरी मिर्च और बीज रखता था। वह रोज़ उनसे बातें करता। धीरे-धीरे तोते भी उसकी तरह बोलने लगे और उसकी बात समझने लगे उन्होंने आम के पेड़ पर अपना घोंसला बनाया और वे मित्र बनकर खुशी से रहने लगे।

-आर्यवीर सिंह
(III-C)



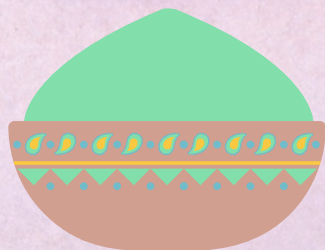


होली

आज खेलेंगे हम होली,
बनाकर अपनी टोली ।
सबको रंग लगाएंगे,
उसके बाद हम नहाएंगे ।
नहाने के बाद खाएंगे हम समोसी,
जो लाई है मौसी ।
समोसी बड़ी है अच्छी,
अब हम खाएंगे मच्छी ।
मच्छी खाकर सारे चले गए सोने
और आरव लगा रोने,
क्योंकि टूट गए उसके खिलोने

- आरव भसीन

(II-A)



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स्कूल के दिन

स्कूल के दिन हैं कितने प्यारे ,
स्कूल में मज़े करते हम बच्चे सारे।
सोचती हूँ जल्दी लौटे दिन वैसे ,
फिर से स्कूल जा सके हम ऐसे।

दोस्तों के साथ मज़े करते हम ,
चाहे जितना थक जाते , उत्साह होता ना कम।
पढ़ाई में खुशी मिलती है जितनी ,
सबके साथ पढ़ने में होती वह दुगनी।

खाने का डब्बा खोल बतियाते ,
बातें कभी होती जो ना खत्म।
लड़ना झगड़ना , रूठना मनना ,
थक कर घर आ कर सो जाना।

स्कूल के दिन हैं कितने प्यारे ,
स्कूल में मज़े करते हम बच्चे सारे।
सोचती हूँ जल्दी लौटे दिन वैसे ,
फिर से स्कूल जा सके हम ऐसे।

-आद्या धानिआ

(IIIA)



मीठा बचपन

बचपन के वे दिन,
जब बीत जाएँ,
उनकी मीठी यादें,
तब बहुत सताएँ।

टॉफी का टुकड़ा,
कौन सा है बड़ा?
होता भाई के साथ,
रोज़ यह झगड़ा।

नहाने पहले कौन जाए,
दोनों हम यह होड़ लगाएँ,
दरवाज़े में आती बचती उँगली,
पर झूठा नाटक करना मैं कभी न
भूलती।

मैं चढ़ती पेड़, भाई देता छेड़,
गिरती मैं और रोती घर आती,
माँ से उसे डाँट खिलवाती,
रोता देख उसे, मैं मन-ही-मन
मुसकाती।

जा बगीचे में साथ बीज बोना,
रोज़ पानी दे उसे बढ़ता देखना।
इल्ली, तितली सब पकड़ना,
लाल गुबरैला हरी घास में ढूँढना,
यही करती मैं अपने भाई के साथ,
'मटर-गश्ती' दिन-रात।

छपर-छपर जब बारिश होती,
पापा को मैं बाहर ढकेलती,
बारिश में भीग 'आछी' छिंकती,
कान-मरोड़ माँ अंदर खींचती।

नानाजी खेलते मनोपोली,
नानीजी सुनातीं लोरी,
दादीजी की अनेक कहानियाँ,
दादाजी के साथ माँ से छिपकर
टी.वी. देखना।

माँ का प्यार, पिता का दुलार,
भाई मेरा शैतानी में सवार,
कभी प्यार, कभी गुस्से का बुखार,
बीते मीठा बचपन मेरा,
साथ रहेगा इन यादों का डेरा।

-आराधिता मित्तल

(VD)



बापू

पता लगे कि थे वह एक महान सेनानी,
स्वतंत्रता के लिए लड़ने और बचाने भारत रानी,

आए पहन कर अपनी खादी वाली धोती,
सत्यग्रह में बोल उठे देश की जीत होती!

याद किए जाते हैं उनके गोल आकार के चश्मे से,
मीठी बातें बच्चों से और मुल्यवान शिक्षा दिलाते,

बुरा ना बोलो, बुरा ना सुनो, बुरा ना तुम देखो,
बापू जी से यह ज्ञान अपनाकर गांधी जयंती मनालो!

-अमयविक्रमा राठी

(V-D)

सपनो का गाँव- मेरा गाँव

बहुत दिनों से मेरे माता - पिता छुट्टियों की योजना बना रहे थे। आखिर में उन्होंने यह तय किया कि हम सब अपने गाँव जाएंगे। यह बात सुनकर मेरे सारे मंसूबों पर पानी फिर गया - कहाँ मैं गोवा के समुद्र किनारे रिसोर्ट के सपने देख रही थी और कहाँ यह कल्पित गाँव, जहाँ हर तरफ गंदगी, भीड़ और कोविड प्रतिकूल व्यवहार ही देखने को मिलेंगे। हमारा जाना जरूरी था क्योंकि बहुत दिनों से हम दादा जी से मिले नहीं थे और वह अपने बुढ़ापे की वजह से यात्रा करने में असमर्थ थे। गंतव्य एयरपोर्ट पर मैं सही साबित हुई - किसी ने 'मास्क' नहीं पहन रखा था, कुछ लोग सड़क पर थूक भी रहे थे। मैं मन ही मन क्रोधित और उदास हुई। एयरपोर्ट से दो घंटे की दूरी पर मेरा गाँव था।

हम गाड़ी में बैठ गए। अरे ! थोड़ी ही देर में सारा दृश्य ही बदल गया। दूर- दूर तक हरियाली ही हरियाली, झुंड के झुंड सुन्दर - सुन्दर पेड़, बाग - बगीचे। पहली बार लगा कि हम सच में साँस ले रहे हैं। हमने गाड़ी की खिड़कियाँ खोल दीं। पूरा माहौल बहुत ही खुशनुमा था, यहाँ तक कि जानवर भी शांत थे। अपनी पूरी जिंदगी में इतनी संख्या में जानवरों को मैंने देखा नहीं था। रास्ते में कई जगह छोटे - बड़े तालाब थे। कुछ में उछलती - कूदती मछलियाँ दिख रही थीं। पर मेरी समझ में एक बात नहीं आयी - कुछ घर सिर्फ घास - फूस से बने थे, कुछ बच्चे जिन्होंने कपडे भी नहीं पहन रखे थे और बहुत ही उदास लग रहे थे।

हम अपने घर पहुंचे। घर बहुत ही बड़ा था - बड़ा दरवाजा, एक सुन्दर आँगन और बड़े - बड़े कमरे। पर अब भी मेरे दिमाग में घास - फूस के घर और उन बच्चों के चेहरे घूम रहे थे - इतना अंतर? मैंने अपने पिता से पूछा कि 'ऐसा क्यों?' उन्होंने बताया कि वो बहुत गरीब हैं क्योंकि उनके पासपैसे, शिक्षा और रोजगार की कमी है। क्या इतने संसाधन होने के बावजूद भी इतनी कमी और रहन - सहन का अंतर होना चाहिए? क्या इसका कोई उपाय नहीं? क्या हम सब पढ़ - लिख कर अपनी कुशलता और शिक्षा का प्रयोग गाँव और उसके संसाधनों पर नहीं कर सकते? क्या हम वहाँ के लोगों की सहायता नहीं कर सकते? क्या हम अपने गाँव को स्वर्ग से सुन्दर जगह नहीं बना सकते? मैंने तो यह ठान लिया है कि बड़ी होकर अपने गाँव में ही रहूँगी।

अमोलिका सिंह

पाँचवी सी

बगीचे में गोष्ठी

पात्र

लियो -पालतू कुत्ता , गिलहरी, चिड़ियाँ (पेड़ों पर बैठे मैना, बुलबुल, कौआ और गुरैया का झुरमुट)

स्थान

घर का बगीचा जहाँ कुत्ता गेट की सांकल से बंधा भोंक रहा है और चिड़ियाँ एवं गिलहरी मिल कर शोर मचा रहे हैं
लियो -तुम चिड़ियाँ और गिलहरी तो मेरे जैसे भोंक भी नहीं सकते !!!
(कुत्ता अपने हाथ पैर खींच कर इतराते हुए और ज़ोर से भोंकने लगा)

गिलहरी- तुम दोनों मेरे जैसे फट-फट पेड़ पर नहीं चढ़ सकते !!

(गिलहरी पेड़ के तने से सरटि से नीचे आ कर कुत्ते के सामने पूँछ उठा कर इठलाने लगी और फिर सर्र से तने ऊपर चढ़ कर कुट - कुट की आवाज़ करके चिड़ियों को चिढ़ाने लगी)

मैना -तो क्या हुआ !!!! हम चिड़िया तो उड़ सकती हैं। तुम दोनों तो उड़ भी





नहीं सकते।

(ये कह कर सभी चिड़ियाँ अपने पर फड़फड़ा कर ज़ोर-ज़ोर से हंसने लगीं) साथ ही कुत्ता ज़ोर से फिर भौंकने लगा । गिलहरी नीचे उतर आयी और पेड़ की जड़ में बैठ कर सोच में डूबी दिखने लगी)

गिलहरी- देखो लियो और चिड़ियों ! हम सब अलग हैं। कोई भौंक नहीं सकता, कोई उड़ नहीं सकता तो कोई पेड़ पर नहीं चढ़ सकता। इसका मतलब यह नहीं कि कोई किसी से कम है। भगवान ने हम सब को अलग-अलग बनाया है। अगर सब एक जैसे हो गए तो जीवन में मज़ा ही क्या आएगा !!! हैं ना ? बोलो दोस्तों। लियो - हाँ ! तुम ठीक कह रही हो गिलहरी। हैं ना चिड़ियों ?

सभी चिड़िया एक साथ - हाँ! हाँ !

बुलबुल- हाँ गिलहरी तुम बिलकुल सही कह रही हो। गिलहरी - तो हम सब फिर से पक्के दोस्त ?

सभी एक साथ - हाँ! हाँ ! हम सब हमेशा के लिए पक्के दोस्त !

(और सब फिर से खुशी-खुशी शोर मचा कर खेलने लगे)
(बगीचे से फिर शोर की आवाज़ आने लगी।)

-मेहर अरोड़ा (V-E)



मैं 2021 वीवो आईपीएल के बारे में तथ्य साँझा करूँगा। आईपीएल की शुरुआत 9 अप्रैल को रॉयल चैलेंजर्स बैंगलोर बनाम मुंबई इंडियंस से हुई थी। मैच 29वें मैच तक तेजी से चले जब कोलकाता नाइट राइडर्स अपने खिलाड़ियों की रिपोर्ट करने में विफल रहे, जिन्हें शायद कोविड-19 था और उन्हें कोविड-19 का पता चला था। इसके बाद मैचों में देरी हुई और 19 सितंबर को फिर से शुरू किया गया। अभी प्ले-ऑफ या चल रहा है जिसमें चेन्नई सुपर किंग्स पहले ही फाइनल में पहुंच चुकी है।

आँकड़े

के एल राहुल सबसे ज़्यादा 626 रन बनाकर आगे चल रहे हैं। हर्षल पटेल 30 विकेट लेकर आगे चल रहे हैं।

-आरव मिश्रा
(V-A)

कोशिश

कोशिश कर हल निकलेगा ,
आज नहीं तो कल निकलेगा।
अर्जुन सा लक्ष्य रख , निशाना लगा ,
मरुस्थल में भी फिर जल निकलेगा।

मेहनत कर , पौधों को पानी दे,
बंजर में भी फिर फल निकलेगा।
सीने में उम्मीदों को ज़िंदा रख ,
समंदर से भी गंगाजल निकलेगा।

कोशिश कर कुछ कर गुज़रने की,
जो कुछ थमा -थमा सा है चल निकलेगा।
कोशिश कर हल निकलेगा ,
आज नहीं तो कल निकलेगा।

-हितांशा
(III-F)

गेंहू की पेट चने की नाक

एक समय की बात है | अनाजों के एक गाँव में गेंहूँ और चने की बड़ी गहरी दोस्ती थी | दोनों हमेशा साथ साथ खेलते और खूब मस्ती करते | एक दिन खेल खेल में ही गेंहूँ चने को देख कर मंद मंद मुस्काने लगा | चने को बड़ा आश्चर्य हुआ | उसने हँसी का कारण पुछा तो गेंहूँ ने पहले तो बताने से मना कर दिया , पर फिर बोला , “मुझे तुम्हारी टेड़ी नाक देख कर हँसी आ गयी” | चने को ये बात बहुत बुरी लगी और वह बिना कुछ कहे चुप चाप अपने घर वापस आ गया |

इस घटना के बाद दोनों की दोस्ती में एक दरार आ गयी | गेंहूँ अब चने को चिड़ाने का कोई भी मौका नहीं छोड़ता | वो जब भी चने को देखता , जोर जोर से बोलता, “ चना भाई ! तुमने अपनी नाक सीधी करवाई या नहीं ?” चना यह सुन सुन कर परेशान हो गया | अब तो वो गेंहूँ को देख कर दूर से ही रास्ता बदल लेता |

एक दिन चने से मिलने उसका एक पुराना मित्र मटर आया | मटर ने चने का उतरा मुख देखा तो उसका कारण पुछा | चने ने सारी बात बता दी | मटर को शीघ्र ही एक उपाय सुझा | चना उसकी तरकीब सुन कर खुशी से उछल पड़ा और गेंहूँ से मिलने के लिए बेताब हो गया |

अगले दिन रास्ते में चने और गेंहू की मुलाक़ात हो गयी | चने को देखते ही गेंहू अपने आदत के अनुसार बोल पड़ा , “ चना भाई , आपकी नाक अभी भी टेड़ी की टेड़ी है | कुछ करते क्यों नहीं” | चना तो इस पल का इंतज़ार ही कर रहा था | फ़ौरन बोल पड़ा “गेहूं भाई , आप का पेट क्यों फटा हुआ है ? इसे सिलवाते क्यों नहीं ? ” अब परेशान होने की बारी गेहूं की थी | इसके बाद दोनों जब भी आमने सामने होते , गेंहू के कुछ बोलने से पहले चना उसके फटे पेट का मजाक उड़ाने लगता |

गेहूं को अपनी गलती का एहसास हो चला था | उसे यह बात समझ आ गयी कि सभी में कुछ न कुछ कमियां है , इसलिए किसी का मजाक उड़ाने से पहले हमें अपने गिरेबान में झांक लेना चाहिए | उसे मजाक उड़ने पर होने वाले दुःख का भी एहसास हो गया था | उसे अपने व्यवहार पर बड़ा पछतावा होने लगा और वह चने से माफ़ी मांगने निकल पड़ा | चने ने फिर हँसते हुए कहा , “ अरे दोस्त , मैंने तुम्हारा उपहास सिर्फ तुम्हें सही राह दिखने के लिए ही किया था | बहुत अच्छा है कि तुम्हें बात समझ में आ गई | मुझे भी मेरे तानो के लिए माफ़ कर दो” | उसके बाद दोनों फिर से पहले जैसे अच्छे दोस्त हो गए और एक दुसरे की भावनाओं को और भी अच्छी तरह से समझने लगे |

-दर्श कुमार (IV-F)

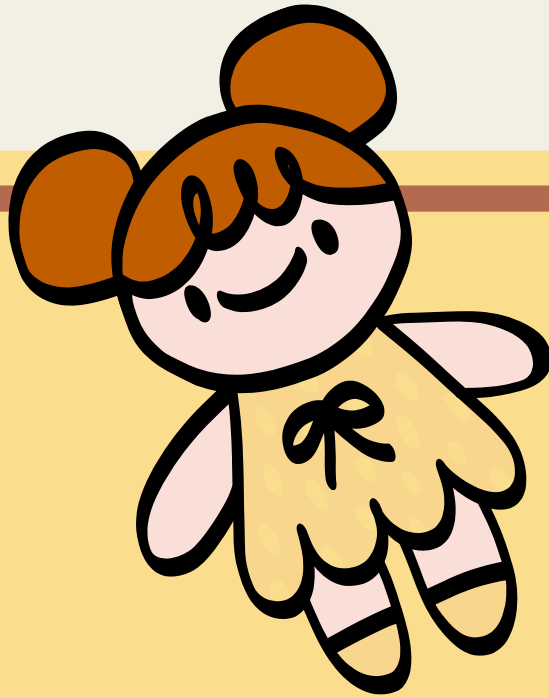


गुड़िया के प्यार से मिली नसीहत

मेरी गुड़िया मेरी बहुत अच्छी दोस्त है। मैं उससे खूब बातें करती हूँ। उसे तरह-तरह के कपड़े पहनाती हूँ और उसके बालों में कंघी करती हूँ। एक दिन मेरी नानी ने मुझे समझाया कि जिस तरह मैं अपनी गुड़िया का नाम जाने बिना उससे प्यार करती हूँ, उसी तरह हमें अपने आसपास के सभी लोगों से प्यार करना चाहिए। उनका ध्यान रखना चाहिए। इससे हमें नए दोस्त मिलते हैं और हम खुद भी खुश रहते हैं। जिस तरह सजी हुई गुड़िया को देख कर मन खुश होता है, उसी तरह आसपास खुश लोगों को देखकर हम भी खुश रहते हैं।

अब मैं जब भी अपनी गुड़िया देखती हूँ, मुझे प्यार बांटने की नसीहत याद आती है और मैं मुस्कुरा देती हूँ।

-आयुषी राय(IIIC)



खुशी

हमें हमेशा खुद की खुशी के बारे में ही नहीं सोचना चाहिए, बल्कि दूसरों को भी खुशी देने की कोशिश करनी चाहिए। इस दुनिया में सफल एवं सुखी वही इंसान है, जो अपनी खुशी से ज्यादा दूसरों की खुशी को बढ़ावा देता है। आप कितने खुश हैं यह महत्वपूर्ण नहीं है, बल्कि आपकी वजह से कितने लोग खुश हैं, यह मायने रखता है। खुशियाँ बाँटने से सकारात्मक उर्जा निकलती है और खुशीपूर्वक जीवन जीने के लिए भी प्रेरित करती है। हर किसी को खुश रखना शायद हमारे बस में ना हो, पर किसी को हमारी वजह से दुख ना पहुँचे, यह हमारे बस में जरूर है।

सदा खुश रहो, खुश रखो और मुस्कुराते रहो!

-अक्षज गौतम मेहरा (V-E)



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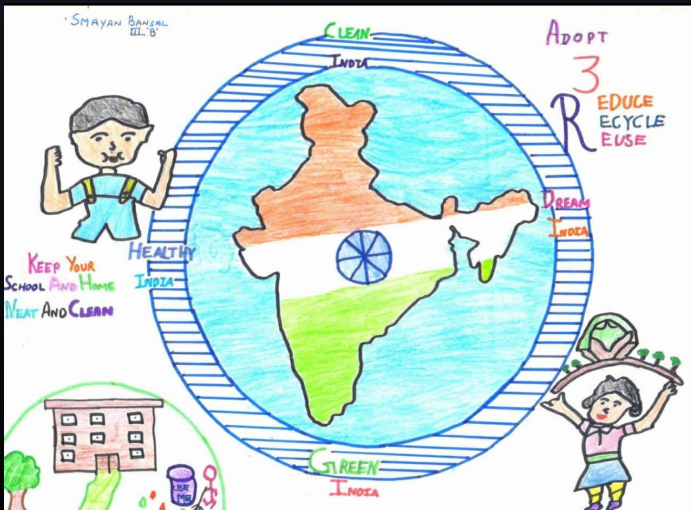
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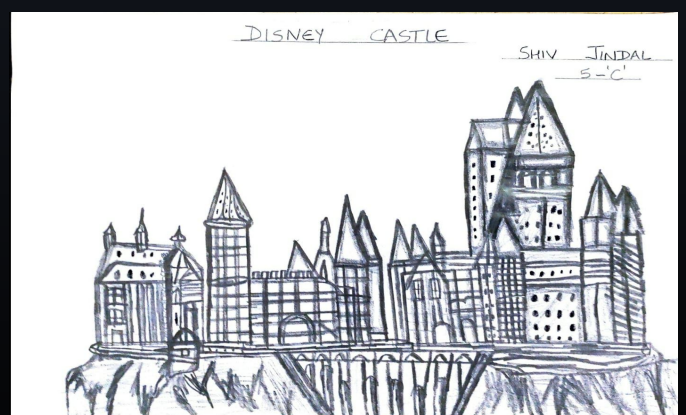
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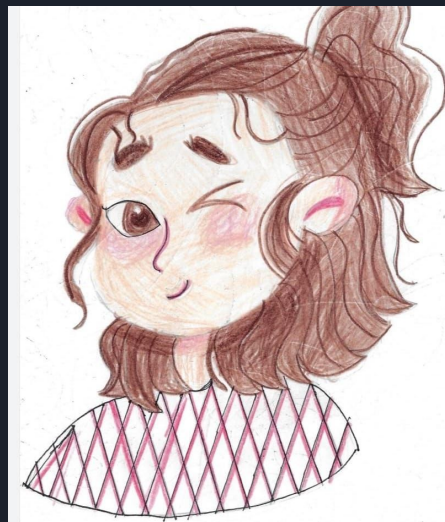
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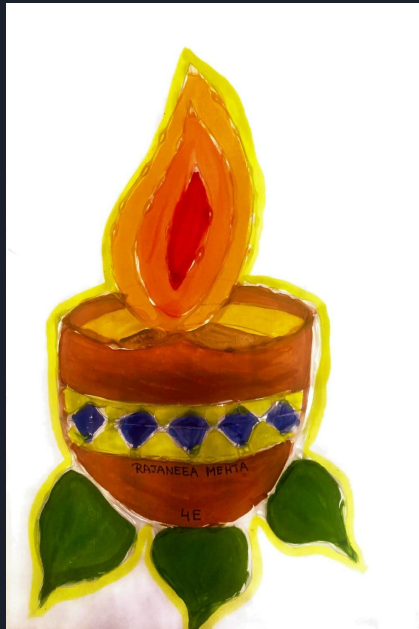
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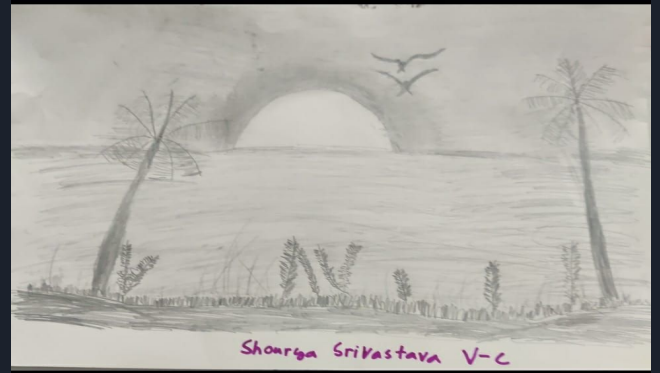
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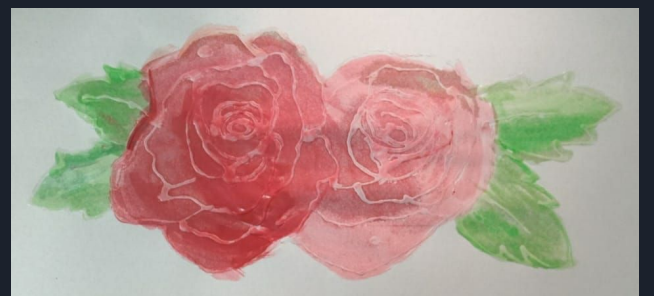
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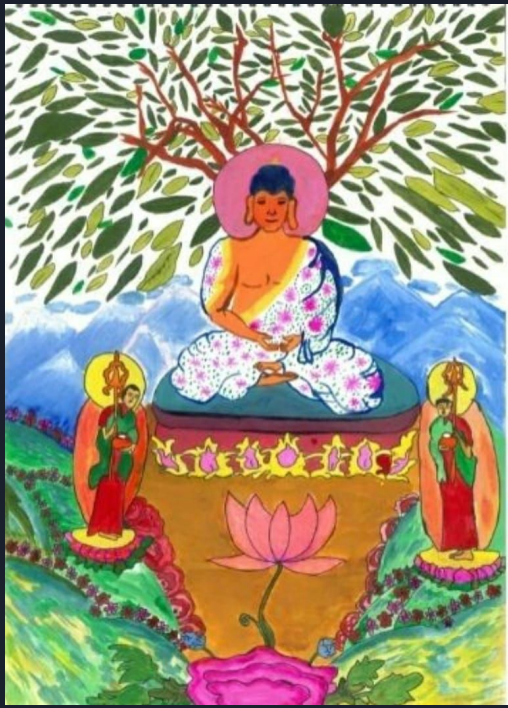
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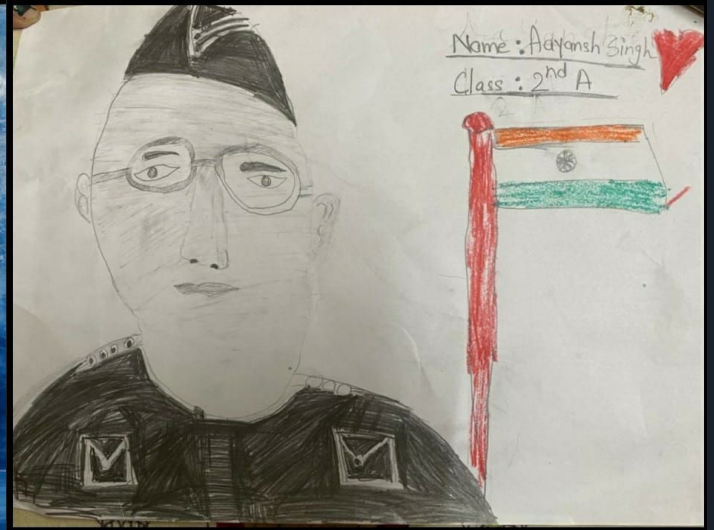
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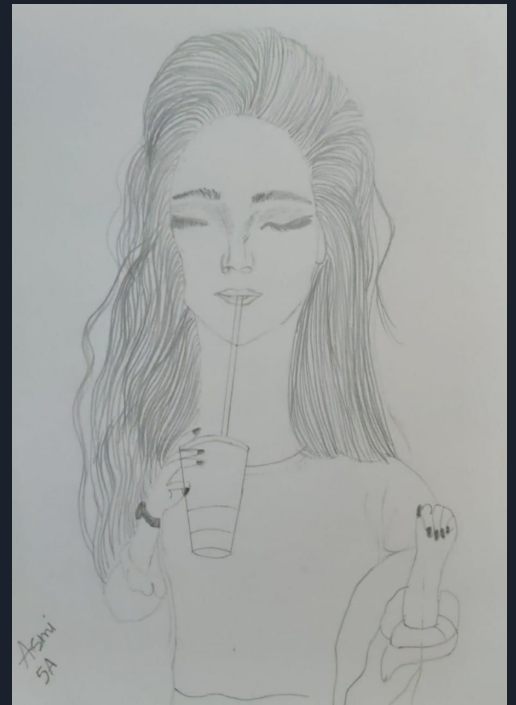
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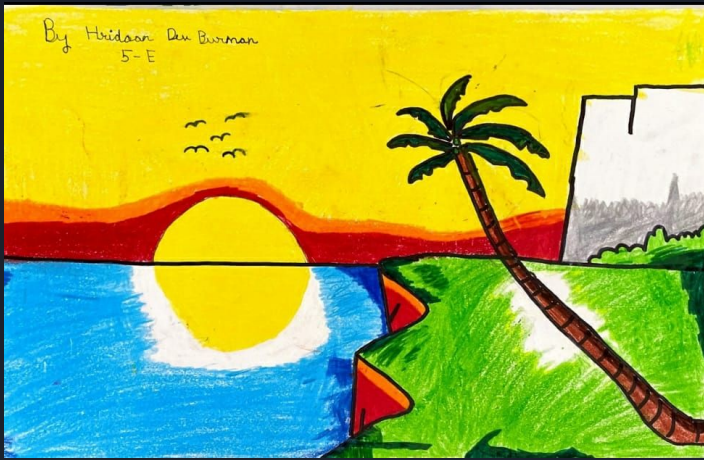
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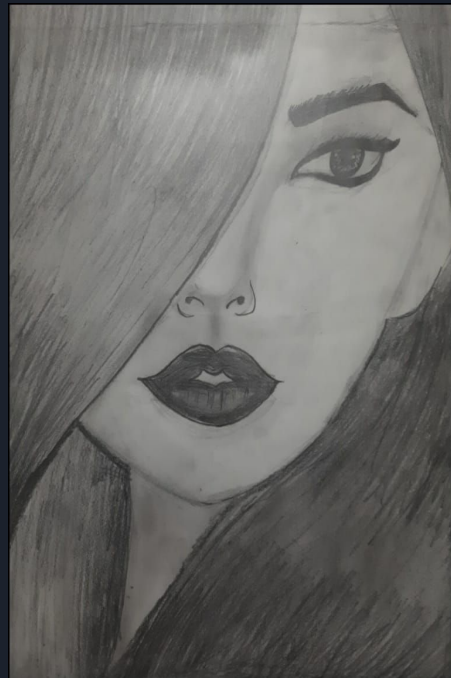
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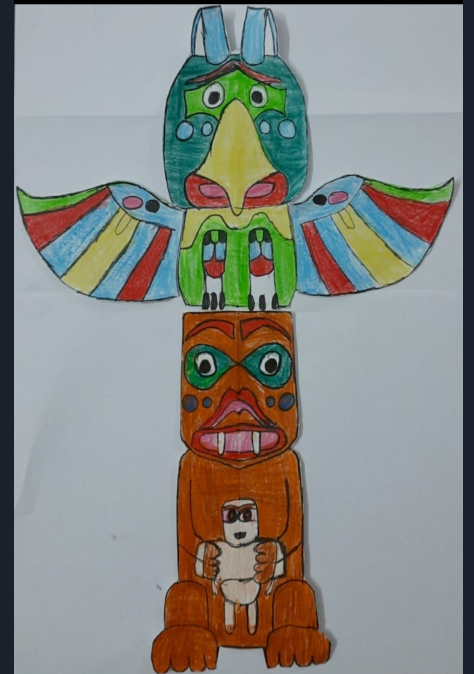
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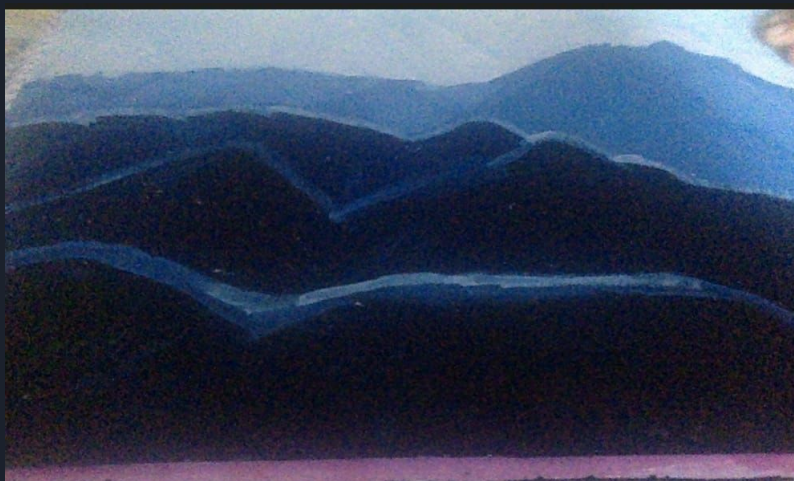
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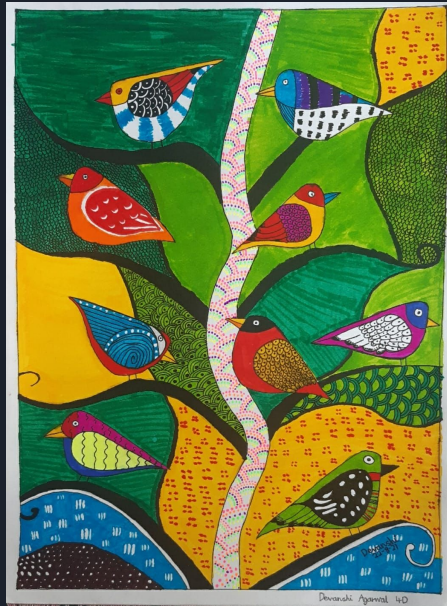
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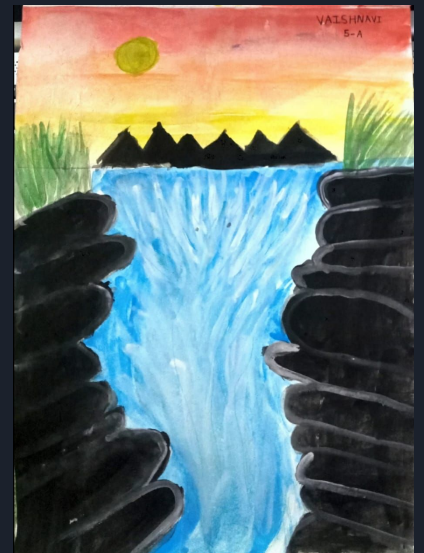
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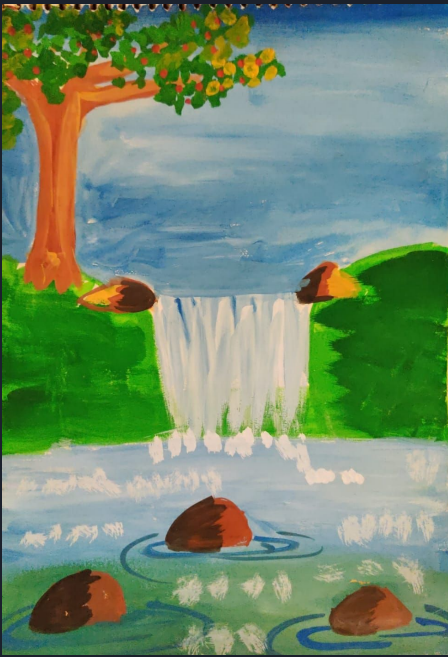
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Ananya Bhardwaj 5A



Akshaj Gautam Mehra 5E



Aarav IV C

Aarav 4C