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"IF YOU ARE WORKING ON SOMETHING EXCITING THAT YOU REALLY CARE ABOUT, YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE PUSHED. THE VISION PULLS YOU."
-STEVE JOBS

### VACCINATION DRIVE FOR LEARNERS OF GRADE 9

Taking onus of facilitating the learners with much-awaited vaccines, the school leapfrogged in the responsibility and conducted a vaccination drive on the 12th of January 2022 for learners of and above 15 years of age. Around fifty percent learners from grade 9 got vaccinated with the first dose of Covaxin.



VM HOUSES

### **SVM OUTREACH**

With an objective to reach out to the community and make them aware of the vision and mission of SVM, a community outreach programme was organised on the 7th and 12th of February 2022, at Sea fans Hotel and Siddhivinayak Complex respectively. The programme had a display of a few activities used to impart holistic knowledge to the students of SVM. This was a top notch opportunity for the society to peep into the school's approach towards education. Being a progressive school, we believe that children learn in an academic setting not just by sitting in a classroom and listening to the teacher but by doing hands on activities. At our school, learning takes place while participating in a host of activities designed to bring out the full potential of each child. Our facilitators displayed a range of activities conducted at different levels. The activities had an integrated approach towards all the subjects. The participants greatly appreciated the efforts put up by the team.

I ANGUAGE CORNER

LIBRARY CORNER

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- REHANA HUSHYE (ENGLISH FACILITATOR)

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## AND THEY LEARNED HAPPILY EVER AFTER...

Sounds like an ending to a fairy tale, doesn't it? Believe me, this is what we as a school are looking forward to; a pleasant ending of session 2021-22 and a new beginning for 2022-23. After surfing through the horrendous three waves of the pandemic and juggling between the online and offline modes all of us have had our own share of learning.



MONICA JAISWAL PRINCIPAL

All of us have played multiple roles, a parent in the role of a teacher, a house- help during the lockdown when no physical movement was allowed, and a boss or an employee working from home.

A facilitator mentoring from home, teaching the learners online with the background sounds of whistling cookers in the kitchen, to crying babies, ailing family members to toggling between the mute- unmute, login-logout buttons, we have sailed through all of it. Technology became both a challenge for a few and a savior to many.

A learner- from a toddler to a teenager, sometimes experiencing a little confused state, struggling to recognize friends and mentors online, to enjoying and adapting at an early age, also a little happy to be at the comfort of home in mother's lap and father's arms. The pre-teens and the teens both were excited to get access to Gadgets from an older era of a no-no to gadgets to a 24/7 access to the 'GADGET'. They entered into an invisible digital world where entry was still swift and smooth but coming out was like a vicious maze or the 'Chakravuhuya 'where addiction became a concern for teachers and parents as they cared for them.

But amidst all the odds and evens, those who were ready to face any challenge with zeal and innovative mind became impeccable, and so was our SVM family which includes our ever-supporting School Management, Consultants, Parents, Learners, Admin, Academic, and Co-curricular Team. Be it our online teaching-learning process, class assemblies, events and celebrations, expert talks, introduction, and exposure to Spanish as a foreign language, online PTMs, interschool participation, houses and clubs, the formation of the school student council, parents and grandparents' involvement, parents' conclave and the list goes on and on without hampering our tenacious spirit.

Many new initiatives were taken like online teacher training, pioneering webinars in Ratnagiri, starting a robotic lab along with IT, Math and Science lab, and a special mention of our newly built school amphitheatre.

The upcoming academic session brings in lots of hope and promises for all of us; a world coming back to normal, physical classes, experiential learning, field trips, integrated projects, student exchange programs, setting higher standards to achieve academic excellence, our first batch of class X, bag less school days, becoming a NEP ready school which is a child-centric and progressive in its approach, forward-looking so that one could say that 'YES!!' here in a small and cozy town called Ratnagiri exists this school called SVM which belongs to every learner, where they learn happily and continue to experience the joy of learning as an integral part of their childhood days full of life, wisdom and memories etched over their innocent loving hearts to make this world a better place to live in.

My best wishes to all of you and acclamations to the entire team along with the special mention to the Mass Media and Communication club for their hard work to bring out the quarterly issue of our school newsletter Udgam – Born to be more. Looking forward to many more such school initiatives involving maximum learner participation and expert guidance by our committed facilitators.



# INDIA'S BELOVED MELODY QUEEN OF BOLLYWOOD IS NO MORE

Legendary Indian singer Lata Mangeshkar breathed her last at Mumbai's Breach Candy Hospital on Sunday, February 6, 2022 morning. Several political leaders, bollywood celebrities rushed to pay their last respects. She was accorded full state honour at Shivaji Park.



# LONDON: 'QUEEN CAMILLA' TO WEAR CROWN WITH KOHINOOR

Prince Charle's wife Camilla will wear the Queen Mother's 1937 crown containing the coveted Kohinoor diamond when he is made the King of the UK and she is crowned Queen Consort, Daily Mail newspaper in Britain has revealed.

# MUMBAI: UNHAPPY RETURNS FOR A MAN WHOSE DOB WAS DEBIT CARD PIN.

Setting up his birthdate as the PIN to his debit card has left a railway employee poorer by Rs. 75000. Lokendra Chaudhary's bag was stolen from an overhead rack while he was travelling on a local train on January 20. A TV actor, Jim Sudan (28) 'has been arrested in connection with the money fraudulently used from Chaudhary's bank account.

# RAMESHBABU PRAGGNANANDHAA BEATS CHESS KING MAGNUS CARLSEN IN AIRTHINGS MASTERS

Rameshbabu Praggnanandhaa, 16-year-old Grandmaster from Chennai has beaten world No. 1 and the reigning five-time world champion Magnus Carlsen at the Airthings Masters Chess Tournament.



Source:twitter.com

# UNION BUDGET WILL BE OF GREAT HELP IN IMPLEMENTING NATIONAL EDUCATION POLICY: PM

Prime Minister Narendra Modi said the Union Budget for 2022-23 will be of great help in implementing the National Education Policy on the ground and asserted that the decision to set up a National Digital University can solve the problem of shortage of seats in educational institutions in the country. Prime Minister Modi asserted that digital connectivity is what kept the education system running in this

time of the global pandemic.

# SARVANKASH VIDYA MANDIR ORGANISES A PARENT CONCLAVE

Sarvankash Vidya Mandir had organised a Parent conclave to discuss a burning topic that concerns our children and their education. This was not an ordinary conference; leading the table was Ms Varsha Rebello, a highly experienced career counsellor, and trainer. The panel also encompassed Mr Manoj Saigal, Deputy Director CWSIR holding multiple awards in the Educational Field, with 25 years of teaching experience, and also a TEDx Speaker. The stalwarts effectively spoke of all the problems being faced and offered solutions to them. In addition, while the conclave took its course for parents, children from the ages of two and a half to fourteen were engaged at the "Multiple Intelligences Mela" that was held simultaneously in the school premises.



The Culinary Club of Sarvankash Vidya Mandir School, Ratnagiri is an innovative club incorporated especially to understand the importance of food and emphasize healthy food habits. It also signifies the value of a balanced diet amongst the staff and learner fraternity.

The club aims to guide learners about innovative ways of Modern cooking to understand how the food is being prepared with proper technique and procedure as well as some useful concepts that go behind the table. The club endeavours to generate interest in creative and diverse culinary heritage by uplifting the inner talents of the youth. Moreover, the club also explored the varied diverse National and International cuisines.

To commit to the same the club organised various activities which encouraged the club members to actively participate and explore their cravings towards cooking.

The Culinary Club provides students with the opportunity to learn both basic cooking skills and proper techniques from their facilitators.

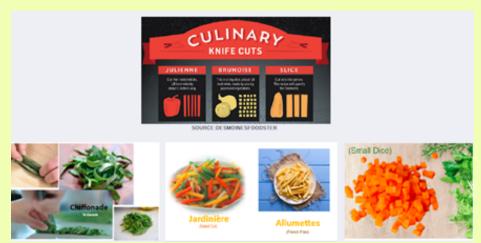
### A FEW ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED BY THE CLUB-

#### PARTS OF A KNIFE

The learners understood the actual parts of the knife. Right from educating them about the technique to hold a knife, the apt way to chop the food materials and the safety measures involved in it.

#### • TYPES OF VEGETABLE CUTS

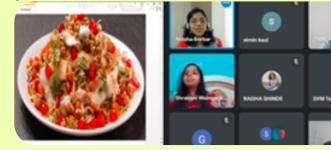
The learners learnt various types of cuts, their names and their French pronunciations. The learners were amazed to explore the French vocabulary. They were so practically influenced by the session that for the next few days their homes were flooded with these French names.



### . NUTRITIOUS SPROUT BHEL

Continuing with the onus, National Nutrition Week was observed from September 1 to September 7 to create awareness about good nutrition and healthy eating habits.

We at SVM strongly believe in healthy minds and bodies. The Culinary Club initiated a step forward sharing a very healthy recipe with its club members namely 'Nutritious Sprout Chaat' which is a very popular, healthy and easy to make recipe that doesn't need any heat for cooking. The learners actively participated in this celebration with great enthusiasm.





Mass Media and Communication is a club with multiple facets that understands the nuances of languages. The arena not only engenders good speakers but also excellent listeners. The field has not only limited itself from exploring the world of journalism but also reconnoitre avenues such as video editing, website designing, social media handles and photography. It brings together people with strong connections.



Energetic and enthusiastic language-lovers of SVM became part of the club. A series of sessions and activities were planned for the learners which gave them insights into the world of media and communications.

This year SVM inaugurated the MMCC with the dynamic workshop on Creative Writing by Ms Anjali Gadre Ma'am. She believes that written words have a lot of power and so we need to use them very carefully. She guided the MMCC learners

that they should be vigilant while using words.

The highlight of the club was the quarterly newsletter – "Udgam". Udgam is our school's infographic. The newsletter is created by the dynamic learners and staff of SVM. The sole intention of the infographic is to provide insight into the important happenings and events of the school during each quarter. Every effort is made to give the best and most accurate knowledge.

MMCC club took the initiative of celebrating India's 75th year of independence. SVM believes in the principle of Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat launched by the Government of India to commemorate our 75 years of Independence. Through this initiative, SVM has tried to reduce the distance between the West and East Coast! it has tried to enhance the cultural connection between Maharashtra and Orissa. It is said 'Where there is unity there is victory'. The motto of Unity in diversity is practised by each proud SVMite

There are so many dimensions showcased by the MMCC club, right from drafting a newsletter, to conducting an interview, from creative writing to consolidating all and presenting the final creation.

Lastly, we would like to say, the Mass Media and communication club is like a diamond, precious and rare, not like a stone found everywhere...

MMCC club, President and Vice-President sharing their experience of being a part of the MMCC club.

- MS LATIKA/MS REHANA

The main aim of the MMCC club was to improve our communication skills. I believe that all of the not only improved club members communication skills but also learnt a lot of other skills in the process, namely video editing, photography, creative designing. Being the President of the club was the icing on the cake. I got an excellent opportunity to interview our Spanish Facilitator Mr Vibhanshu. The MMCC sessions also taught us teamwork. It was a wonderful experience to be a part of this club and to participate in the activities planned. I hope that it will be the same next year.

> - ANVAY GOGATE GRADE 8 (PRESIDENT MMCC)

MMCC was always a platform for me to work upon my weaknesses and also strengthen my qualities. It gave me many golden opportunities that reinforced my creative self. The activities which we performed in sessions were not only filled with fun but also were very explorative

Being the Vice President of our club, gave me a sense of responsibility which I think, I carried out diligently. It boosted my self-confidence. I thank all my club facilitators who really worked hard for us and always inspired and motivated us. I'm sure that like the mass media club we will have so many other innovative concepts in our school which will make every SVMites BE MORE!!!

> - NIDHI PHANSALKAR GRADE 8 (VICE-PRESIDENT MMCC)



## THE MODEL UNITED NATIONS CLUB AT SVM

The academic year 2021-22 did not begin with much fanfare as we thought it would. The summer passed by in turmoil caused by the peak of the pandemics' second wave. Schools went back to the online mode of teaching and the same was prevalent at Sarvankash Vidya Mandir too. This year it was mutually decided to have just four clubs, namely; a "Nature" club, a "Mass Media" club, a club for "culinary" enthusiasts, and a "Model United Nations" club, of which, yours truly was a part. In the year prior, that's 2020-21, the MUN club had just four members while all other clubs had fantastic headcounts. This year around, the campaigning was led by a multi-talented team comprising of Ms. Khushboo Chahal, Ms. Amruta Kelkar, Dr. Rohit Deshpande, Sir Pravin Somvanshi, and Sir Jared Dias, under the able guidance of the indomitable, spirited, Dr. Ms. Kiran Dewal. There was an online orientation held, describing each club, their mission, and goals; this was meant to help the learners decide what club they would like to be a part of. Eventually, the marketing that was done in the online session paid great dividends, it was so fetching, that this year we garnered nine times the amount of members in comparison to the year prior.

Fast forward to the time after the club strengths were finalized, the MUN club held meetings twice a month; once in the beginning and then again in the last week of the month. Every member held the portfolio of a designated country and as a delegate of that country, he/ she was required to speak over a host of topics during our meets. As it was my first time in the MUN club, there was much that I got to learn. You see, such interventions never existed back in the time when I was in school. As a facilitator today, I see the significance of having something as an MUN club. It is not enough that we do our bit only by imparting quality education. The world today isn't its best self and being the future, the children of today stand to suffer the aftermath of our decisions and policies that currently exist. Hence, it is detrimental that children be introduced to the more complicated workings of this world, equipping them with the requisite knowledge and skillset to take on the future.

Coming back to the MUN club at SVM. Apart from our own online meetings, we also had some of our members represent our institution in inter-school MUN contests (online), the most important one being about the Non-Proliferation Treaty, the primary focus of which is to eliminate the production and use of nuclear weapons. We not only had a great time studying the NPT, but in the bargain learnt much about, how the nations of the world broach this delicate subject, given their position in the world today. All the learners who participated in the event returned enlightened over the topic and the nuances of presentation and public speech. By the end of November 2021, it was time to end activities for all four clubs. Come December 1, 2021, a presentation for all clubs was held in the school's library. It was an occasion well planned and executed, the topping on the cake was the exquisite presentations made by each club. The MUN club demonstrated a typical United Nations meet, the discussion being over a "uniform education system" for the world. The members participating made a fine show of mettle with some unforgettable speeches and contentions. All in all, the MUN club is something I look forward to in the years ahead and as a facilitator, I feel this is where my affiliations lie.

SVM opens doors to new avenues for us to explore every day. Here, learning is always interactive and funfilled. This year witnessed the inception of different clubs. One that grabbed my attention was the MUN club. I'd chosen the Model United Nations club, without knowing much about it - I went ahead and started to gain more information from external sources and by participating in competitions

In the year 2020, we only had 4 teachers and 4 students, but this year most of the grade IX learners were in the MUN club. Overall I had a great experience in the MUN club at our school. - Diya Pravin Jain Grade 9

My experience in the MUN club was very nice. I gained a lot of confidence. The formal environment of this club makes it more attractive and unique. It led to the discovery of many hidden potentials. Every learner of SVM should try this club.

- Maitreyee Bhurke Grade 9























# S.V.M NATURE'S CLUB ANNUAL JOURNEY

The basic five elements that compose the human body are water, fire, earth, air and space(sky). Of these five elements we should consider ourselves fortunate enough to be able to see fire and sky with our eyes wide open, because when it comes to the other three elements: water, air and earth, they are running in scarcity in the metropolitan cities and even in the outskirts of such towns. Pure drinking water is hard to find and what comes to our kitchen through pipes needs boiling and filtration to make it potable. Pollution in the form of smoke, soot and the ever increasing deforestation has depleted the purity of air. The concrete jungle in the cities and agricultural fields being converted into non- agricultural lands for development purposes has made earth one of the most sought after natural resources.



We all talk about conservation of nature, wildlife, deforestation, the clean universe, recycling of waste, saving the rivers, etc. Discussions and debates on these issues make people sensitive and cognizant, however concrete steps need to be taken so that the next generation that will lead our nation is restorative. The educational system has designed a curriculum highlighting these issues and also giving remedies to address these problems. The world is becoming more sensitive towards nature and the environment around us. This sensitivity was reflected in the form of various activities conducted by Sarvankash Vidya Mandir. SVM's 'Nature's Club' through its activities aimed to bring awareness about these issues among the learners.

Following are the highlights of Nature's Club.

- 1. Oath Taking Ceremony to "Say No To Single-Use Plastic".
- 2. Presentation On The Hazards Of Single-Use Plastic...
- 3. Propensity To Make Best Out of Waste
- 4. Eco-friendly Paper Mache
- 5. Heal The Earth Campaign: This campaign emphasized collecting used plastic milk packets and sending the bags to the recycling plant.

- MS PRAFULATA/MS NIDA

Every year, we produce over 380 million tons of plastic. 50% of this plastic is utilized for just a few moments, but stays on the planet for at least several hundred years.

To help recycle this waste, SVM's Nature club is taking an initiative.

You all can also be a part of this campaign.

#### How?

By following three simple steps:

- 1. Cut the milk packet as shown in the picture.
- 2. Wash and collect the milk packets daily.
- Send them to the SVM school.



The collected milk bags will be sent to an organisation to convert into beautiful new products.

A small initiative though it may seen to be, our collaboration will help us in getting rid of kilos of plastic waste and make our Mother Earth proud.

### STOP LAMINATING START ACTING











We, at Sarvankash Vidya Mandir, have formed a "Special Days Committee" to embrace the culture and diversity of our country. The objective here is; to make learners aware of the happenings pertaining not only to our own country but globally as well.

## INDIAN ARMY DAY - 15TH JANUARY 2022

Indian Army Day is celebrated on January 15th every year. On this historic day, General KM Cariappa became the first Indian to take charge of the Indian Army in 1949. He took over from General Sir Francis Robert Roy Bucher who was the last English commander of our Nation's Army.

The Indian army organizes a parade at the Cariappa Parade Ground situated in the Delhi cantonment area along with other military programmes to make this day special. Gallantry awards are distributed to the soldiers for their service and for those who have made supreme sacrifices for the nation.

आओ देश का सम्मान करें, शहीदों की शहादत याद करें, एक बार फिर से राष्ट्र की कमान हम हिंदुस्तानी अपने हाथ धरे, आओ भारतीय सेना दिवस का मान करें...

### **LOHRI- 13TH JANUARY 2022**

SVM resonated in tune and on track with its high spirited learners celebrating Lohri.

https://fb.watch/bCJy6zs1OY/

### NATIONAL YOUTH DAY- 12TH JANUARY 2022

National Youth Day is celebrated every year on the 12th of January to mark the birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda. This year's theme for National Youth Day is "It's all in the Mind."

https://fb.watch/aCdxHWmTpn/

### WORLD SOIL DAY-5TH DECEMBER 2021

Soil has been called the fragile skin of the earth. Soil is one of the earth's most important natural resources. Healthy soil is essential for healthy plant growth, nutrition of living beings, and water filtration.

The learners of Grade 7 at SVM collected the samples from various places and tested their pH in the laboratory. This activity was followed by the discussion of soil as an important natural resource and how the soils across the globe are being threatened and damaged by human activities.



#### NATIONAL POLLUTION DAY- 2ND DECEMBER 2021



December 2nd, 1984, on this fateful day, thousands of people in Bhopal lost their lives due to the poisonous gas methyl isocyanate (MIC). This tragedy which was named "Bhopal Gas Tragedy" is considered one of the biggest industrial pollution disasters. In memory of this day and to spread awareness on managing and controlling industrial disasters and to prevent the pollution produced by industrial processes or human negligence every year National Pollution Control Day is observed.

On this occasion, Sarvankash Vidya Mandir launched an initiative "Heal the Earth" wherein waste milk bags are collected and sent to an organisation that recycles and converts them into new products.

# WORLD SCIENCE DAY OF PEACE AND DEVELOPMENT- 10TH NOVEMBER 2021

Celebrated every 10 November, World Science Day for Peace and Development highlights the important role of science in society and the need to engage wider public in debates on emerging scientific issues. It also underlines the importance and relevance of science in our daily lives. By linking science more closely with society, World Science Day for Peace and Development aims to ensure that citizens are kept informed of developments in science. It also underscores the role scientists play in broadening our understanding of the remarkable, fragile planet we call home and in making our societies more sustainable.

## REPUBLIC DAY- 26TH JANUARY 2022





Who has seen the future? Distant or near, the future is what we normally term, "unpredictable". I see it as the present that keeps unfolding itself, every minute and every second. Not in our wildest dreams did we expect the lethal spread of a virus that enveloped the world and then had the last laugh by hitting us in waves, one worse than the other. Meanwhile, lives were lost, families were broken, livelihoods torn apart, economies suffered and education was brought to a standstill. And though, the teachers' community worldwide switched gears to the online mode for the sake of our children, there is still a void that is in need of filling; two years down the line, post the first bout with the pandemic. But, let me be clear, the pandemic alone isn't responsible for the plight of our children now. Gone are the days of traditional methods of teaching; mind you, "teaching" here isn't restricted to school, college or university alone. There is much that a child picks up, adapts and follows for life, and many such habits are cultivated at home and in the company he/ she keeps.



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT- MEENA MA'AM, DEEPAK SIR, MONICA MA'AM, VARSHA MA'AM, MANOJ SIR,

Many of us from outside the education field aren't even aware of the changes being brought in via national policy, leave alone understanding the world of opportunities in terms of careers. As adults, we have become so rigid in thought and action that we expect our children to do only what we think will be right for them. All this, without having the sound knowledge of the various paths of education and the careers they could lead to. If you are from amongst such parents, I beg you to stop wanting to make your son/daughter - a doctor, an engineer, a lawyer, a banker or some commonly known professional; this is tantamount to being tunnel-visioned. Also important, is to know your child's strengths and weaknesses (if any). If need be, take the help and advice of professionals, do not rely alone on your own judgment.

We, at Sarvankash Vidya Mandir are inclined to being student-centric and hence, it is a constant endeavour for us to see our learners shine. But, our efforts are to be met with equal energies at the homes of our learners. We all have a duty towards our children, both as teachers and parents. To throw light upon the current state of education and on the road ahead, SVM invited over, two highly qualified, experienced professionals from the field of education to Ratnagiri. Ms Varsha Rebello, a career counsellor par excellence, and Dr. Manoj Saigal, a decorated scholar in the field of mathematics and science, who as a consultant trains college staff & faculties, so also offers career guidance to those seeking to appear for GRE, GMAT, CAT, IIT-JEE, SAT and the likes. The event, dubbed the "Parents' Conclave" was held over the weekend of February 26-27, 2022. For all those who turned up to meet Ms Rebello and Dr Saigal, it was an enlightening experience, especially since the panel was open to Q & A with those gathered. The conclave was open for one and all from Ratnagiri. Gracing the conclave on both days were our very own trustees, Mrs Meena Gadre and Mr Deepak Gadre, who by their mere presence, indicated the affinity they have for education and the right towards obtaining a good education. The other speakers were, our esteemed Principal, Ms. Monica Jaiswal and the hosts for the event, Academic coordinator - Ms Zeba Parkar and Marathi facilitator - Sir Sumit Devasthali.

As the "Parents Conclave" was underway in the newly completed amphitheatre, a "Multiple Intelligences Mela" was organized for the children within the school premises. The aim was to focus on every field of a child's intelligence as documented and propagated by renowned psychologist, Dr. Howard Gardner. The facilitators of SVM thus created inter-active counters that addressed eight intelligence types which included linguistic, logical-mathematical, visual-spatial, interpersonal-intrapersonal, naturalistic, bodily-kinaesthetic (dance/sport) and musical intelligences. The children had a blast while their parents engaged in informative tete-a-tete with the experts at the conclave. The success of this program will only show when the parents of Ratnagiri implement the learnings they have taken back from the event. For now, we can only hope that the pandemic doesn't hover its ugly head over us again, and that, we can focus on educating the future generation without as much as a hiccup. As the world undergoes change, so is the field of education... time now to improve our approach and score high for ourselves and our children. This will not be possible without partnerships and equal contribution from parents. We must consciously join hands and ring in a new beginning.

- JARED DIAS (MUSIC FACILITATOR)





#### "EDUCAION AND ME" **WORDS FROM THE VICE-CAPTAIN:**

Last year has been a rollercoaster ride for all of us. The pandemic changed a lot of things in our life and the education system too. Everybody's perspective about education differs. For some, it is just classroom training, while others might see it as a life-changing experience.

When online learning first started, we all were clueless. How would it be done? Will there be a proper grasp of subjects? These were the questions in everyone's mind. Even with all this confusion, the teachers carried on with lots of enthusiasm. They made learning fun and there were no issues with understanding the concepts. Everyone still wanted physical school but online schooling was the second best.

We all were on cloud nine when the news of paradigm shift from online to offline mode flashed on our Whatsapp groups. Initially, a few learners were still online. However, the classroom looked best when everybody joined the physical sessions. All the learning experiences that we missed in the virtual world were reinstated in the physical sessions. The covid protocols are still there but something is better than nothing.

The pandemic has made us realize many things like the importance of family and friends and most importantly, we realized how significant is the one-to-one interaction between a teacher and a student. Now that I have experienced being cut off from the world, I have truly realized the value of physical school, facilitators and friends.
- PAL PATHARE GRADE 7

House competitions help imbibe some very important qualities in a learner such as Camaraderie, Team Work, Leadership and Self Confidence. Such competitions bring out the hidden potentials of the child.

The following house competitions were conducted during this quarter-

- 1. Art Competitions. (Grade 1 to 9)
- 2. Extempore- (Grade 2 to 5)
- 3. Turn- Coat Debate. (Grade 6 to 9)
- Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat' (Grade 5 to 9)

### Art Competition - Term 2 - Results

Grade	Name	Rank	House
1	Anaya Abhidnya Vanaju	1	Blue
	Asmi Tushar Salvi	2	Red
	Daksha Umang Salvi	3	Red
2	Mahi Mandar Prabhudesai	1	Blue
	Ziya Wasim Parkar	2	Blue
	Aashi Manoj Gandhi	3	Green
3	Kirti Suraj Gotad	1	Red
	Alisha Arif Kazi	2	Blue
	Sana Devendra Parab	2	Blue
4	Padmanabha Kulkarni	1	Blue
	Sukant Yadav	2	Green
	Siddhant Suryagandha	3	Yellow
	Saurav Nakharekar	3	Green
5	Shubham Chike	1	Green
	Shravani Waigankar	2	Blue
	Veda Vilas Kale	3	Blue

Grade	Name	Rank	House
6	Mohit Prabhudesai	1	Blue
	Gauri Vilankar	2	Red
	Prisha Indulkar	3	Yellow
7	Simrita Darshan Jain	1	Green
	Swara Nitin Kulkarni	2	Green
	Pal Parag Pathare	3	Blue
	Mahir Rajesh Kedari	3	Green
8	Janhavi Sane	1	Green
	Ishita Tawade	2	Yellow
	Savani Hrishikesh Patne	3	Green
	Mohammad Shaaz Wadkar	3	Yellow
9	Sejal Pednekar	1	Red
	Shrawani Sawant	2	Green
	Anushka Devkar	3	Red

#### Quiz- Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat - Term 2 - Results

Grade	Name	Rank	House
5	Veda Kale	1	Blue
	Sattar Khatib	2	Red
	Saumya Sawant	3	Green
6	Mohit Prabhudesai	1	Blue
	Reya Amarawat	1	Blue
	Sumedh Surve	2	Green
	Devesh Shirdhankar	3	Green
7	Kirti Samant	1	Red
	Vighnesh Wadkar	1	Blue
	Chinmay Parkar	2	Blue
	Chinmayi Mayekar	3	Yellow
	Yadnvikee Ghosale	3	Red

Grade Name Rank House

### **English Competition - Term 2 - Results**

Grade Name		Rank	House
	Level 1		
2	Ziya Wasim Parkar	1	Blue
2	Yashraj Salvi	2	Yellow
2	Nitya Phansalkar	3	Green
2	Advait Shabhag	Consolation	Red
	Level 2		
4	Chahat Gandhi	1	Blue
5	Veda Kale	2	Blue
4	Iqra Hushye	3	Red
5	Girish Deval	Consolation	Red

TURN-COAT DEBATE			
Grade	Name	Rank	House
	Level 1		
7	Kirti Samant	1	Red
6	Reya Amrawat	2	Blue
6	Sunidhi Kane	2	Yellow
7	Sharvil Shinde	3	Yellow
7	Simrita Jain	3	Green
6	Prisha Indulkar	Consolation	Yellow
	Level 2		
8	Ishita Tawade	1	Yellow
8	Anvay Gogate	2	Yellow
8	Nidhi Phansalkar	3	Green

Consolation Yelle

Sara Bapardekar



# खंबीर, सदाबहार "आमराई"

" ज्याला खायला पुरेसे खत नाही , प्यायला पुरेसे पाणी नाही "
" तरी सर्व जणांसाठी कायम सावलीची खात्री देई "
" खोड आहे जून पण तेवढंच ,कणखर, खंबीर "
" त्याच्या छोट्या छोट्या रोपांसाठी, आयुष्यभर खंबीर उभ "
" ना जिभेचे चोचले, ना रंग रंगोटीची शान"
" ना वादळाची भीती, ना उन्हाचा त्रास"
" मोहोरलेल्या आंढ्याची आमराई पाहून, सुचल्या चार ओळी"
" ओळखा पाहू ह्या आंढ्याची खरी परछाई"
" ज्यांनी चाखली ही आमराई, त्यांनी केली आयुष्याची खरी कमाई"

- सौ. मुग्धा प्रशांत पोतदार

# मराठी भाषा आपली खास मनी करेल सदैव वास

नमस्कार विद्यार्थी मित्रांनो !!

अंगात सदरा घालायचा की सदर्यात अंग घालायचे? पायात चप्पल घालायची की चपलेत पाय घालायचे? हातात बांगड्या भरायच्या म्हणजे पोत्यात धान्य भरतो तशा भरायच्या?

काय वाचून विचारात पडलात ना? मराठी भाषा वळवावी तशी वळते, मराठी भाषा समृद्ध आहे, मराठी भाषा बहुरंगी-बहुढंगी आहे. अशी एक ना अनेक वाक्य आपण ऐकत असतो, म्हणत असतो. त्याचाच प्रत्यय आपल्याला यातून येतो. पुन्हा एकदा सर्वांना नमस्कार आणि मराठी भाषा दिनाचा सर्वांना खूप खूप शुभेच्छा !

एव्हाना तुम्ही वरील वाक्याचा विचार केला असेलच. आपण अंगात सदरा घालतो, पायात चपला घालतो, स्त्रिया हातात बांगड्या भरतात पण या कृतींचा खरंच (सखोल-शास्त्रीय) विचार केला तर ... आपली भाषा आणि कृती यात विसंगती आढळून येते. हीच भाषेची गम्मत असते.

> लाभले आम्हास भाग्य बोलतो मराठी जाहलो खरेच धन्य ऐकतो मराठी धर्म,पंथ,जात एक जाणतो मराठी एवढ्या जगात माय मानतो मराठी

आई (माय) जशी आपल्यासाठी मायेची, प्रेमाची, स्नेहाची, वात्सल्याची मूर्ती असते तशीच आपली मायमराठीही. प्रत्येक बारा मैलावर भाषा बदलते असे म्हणतात, आपल्या मायमराठीचे ही तसेच आहे. मराठीलाही कित्येक बोलीभाषा आहेत. जसे कोकणी, मालवणी, घाटी, अहिरणी, खानदेशी, वऱ्हाडी, इत्यादी...मराठी बोलीभाषेचे ठिकठिकाणच्या प्रदेशांतील हे झरे 'प्रमाण' मराठीच्या नदीत मिसळून मराठी गंगा अविरत वाहते आहे. असे म्हटले तर वावगे ठरणार नाही. कारण प्रत्येक बोलीभाषेत कमालीचा गोडवा जाणवतो आणि तितकीच ती बोलीभाषा कर्णमधुरही वाटते.

आपण जेव्हा जन्माला येतो तेव्हा ते कुठलीही भाषा शिकून येत नाही; पण पहिल्यांदा आपल्या गुजगोष्टी चालतात त्या आपल्या आईबरोबर! म्हणून आपल्या मातेची भाषा तीच आपली मातृभाषा; परंतु आपल्याला मातृभाषाच गवसली नसती, तर आपण काय केले असते? आपण आपला हट्ट आईकडे कसा व्यक्त केला असता? प्रत्येकाचे जीवन माती, मायभूमी व मातृभाषा या तीन बिंदूंनी बनलेला एक त्रिकोणच असाते. यापैकी मातृभाषा जन्मापासून आपल्याला संस्कारांचे बाळकडू पाजत असते. अनुभवाचे बोल आपल्याला शिकवते. तीच आपण अंगिकारली नाही, तर इतर कितीही भाषा आपण शिकलो तरी आपलं आयुष्य समृद्ध होईल का?

त्यामुळे आपण सर्वांनीच मराठी राजभाषा दिन साजरा करताना आपली मायबोली दीन होणार नाही याची खबरदारी घ्यायला हवी. कारण जगाच्या नकाशावर कोणत्याही विकसित देशाकडे बोट दाखवले तर त्यांचे व त्यांच्या मातृभाषेचे खूप घट्ट नाते असलेले दिसते.

छत्रपती शिवाजी महाराज, स्वातंत्रवीर वि. दा. सावरकर. लोकमान्य टिळक, यांनी मराठीची अस्मिता जनमानसात निर्माण केली. पुढे कुसुमाग्रज, अण्णाभाऊ साठे, बिहणाबाई चौधरी, वि.स. खांडेकर, आचार्य अत्रे, पु.ल. देशपांडे, ग.दी. माडगूळकर, द.मा.मिराजदार, मंगेश पाडगावकर, शिवाजी सावंत, विश्वास पाटील यांसारख्या अनेक थोर साहित्यिकांनी मराठी भाषेला दर्जेदार साहित्य दिले. हा खिजना आपण लुटला नाही तर आपण कमनशीबीच ठरू नाही का? या सर्वाचा विचार करता शेवटी, वर्षभरात निदान एक तरी मराठी पुस्तकाचे वाचन करू नि ही श्रीमंती अनुभवू असा आपण संकल्प करूया.

'पाठीवर हात ठेवून फक्त लढ म्हणा' असे म्हणत संकटावर मात करायला धीर देणारे मराठी भाषेतील अग्रगण्य कवी, लेखक, नाटककार कथाकार, कादंबरीकार, काव्यलेखक आणि मराठी मनाचा मानबिंदू असलेले कुसुमाग्रज अर्थात विष्णू वामन शिरवाडकर यांचा जन्म २७ फेब्रुवारी १९१२ रोजी महाराष्ट्रात पुणे येथे झाला. त्यांचे मूळ नाव गजानन रंगनाथ शिरवाडकर असे होते. परंतु लहान असतांनाच त्यांच्या काकांनी त्यांना दत्तक घेतले ज्यामुळे त्यांचे नाव बदलून विष्णु वामन शिरवाडकर असे ठेवण्यात आले. कुसुमाग्रज यांचे वडील वकील होते. त्यांना सहा भाऊ आणि कुसुम नावाची एक लहान बहीण होती. कुसुम ही घरातील सर्वांची लाडकी होती. एकुलती एक बहीण कुसुम असल्याने त्यांनी कुसुम चे अग्रज अर्थात कुसुमाग्रज नाव धारण केले. तेव्हापासूनच शिरवाडकर हे कुसुमाग्रज या टोपणनावाने लेखन करू लागले. यात त्यांचं बहिणीबाबत प्रेम व्यक्त होते. कुसुमाग्रजांचे मराठी साहित्यातील योगदान पाहून त्यांना साहित्य क्षेत्रातील सर्वात मनाच्या 'ज्ञानपीठ' पुरस्काराने गौरविण्यात आले. तसेच त्यांचा जन्मदिवस हा दरवर्षी जागतिक 'मराठी भाषा दिन' म्हणून साजरा करण्यात येतो.



# THE TINY TODDLERS OF NURSERY CLASS CELEBRATED THE 'HEALTHY FOOD WEEK' FROM 24TH JANUARY TO 28TH JANUARY 2022

The objective of the event was to highlight the importance of consuming healthy food in one's regular diet. The facilitator expounded the dietary significance of fruit/ vegetables intake to the learners and their parents. About 90 percent of a child's brain develops by the age of five and hence parents must ensure that children maintain a daily intake of one fruit and one vegetable. The facilitator also suggested parents to replace junk food if any consumed by their children with fruits and veggies as this would stimulate memory and fight infections. During the session, various activities aimed at encouraging the intake of fruits and vegetables among the learners, were conducted namely:

### 1. Vegetable stamping

### 2. Colouring vegetables and fruits.

The facilitator expressed her gratitude towards the parents for being a part of the event and also acknowledged the hard work done by both learners and parents during the week.

- ARZOO MADRE



YUVIKA. PILANKAR



NEETYA. PEDNEKAR



YUVIKA PILANKAR



ARAV SURVE



MAHI KOKARE



ADHYA BHUTE



OVI. RAJPUT



VIHAAN GIJABILE





-IRA JR.KG.



-ZARISH JR. KG.



-SHREEL GRADE 2



-CHANAKYA GRADE 1



-VIVAAN S GRADE 5



-GUARI V GRADE 6



-SHRAWANI Y GRADE 5



-YADNYA GRADE 4



-ARZAAN GRADE 1



-RADHA GRADE 5



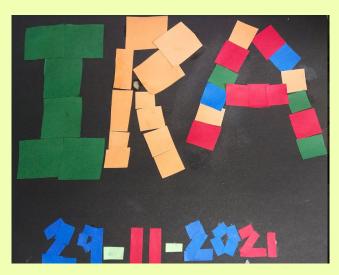
-MANAS GRADE 7



-CHINMAYI GRADE 7



-KOMAL GRADE 8



-IRA JR.KG















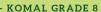






हम हैं आज़ाद हम हैं आज़ाद ... लड़े हैं इनके साथ, टकराये हैं हर बार।। यह भारत है, कोई खेल नहीं, और हम हैं हिंद्स्तानी। मेरा भारत महान, मेरा भारत महान। १५ अगस्त १९४७ को .... हम हए आज़ाद, अंग्रेजों की ताकत हुई फरार, मेरा भारत महान, मेरा भारत महान। बडे - बडे लोगों ने दी अपनी जान, आज़ादी के बाद खुश है भारत के किसान, हम नहीं चूका सकते इनका एहसान, मेरा भारत महान, मेरा भारत महान। अंग्रेजों ने की अपनी मनमानी हमें पहँचाई सिर्फ हानि ही हानि समय नहीं मिलता था पिने को पानी हम सहते रहे हिंदुस्तानी। बात बात पर बताते यह कहानी, ऐसा क्या किया जो नाम इनका ज़बानी पुरे भारत में गूँजती है क्रांतिकारियों की कहानी सुनते हैं हिंदुस्तानी, सुनाते हैं हिंदुस्तानी। मेरा भारत महान, मेरा भारत महान। - जय जैन - कक्षा सातवीं







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- NIDHI PHANSALKAR GRADE 8



**GRADE 1 - EVS ACTIVITY** 

### LOVE BRIGHTENS THE WORLD, WHEREAS HATRED... DARKENS IT.

Not so very long ago, this happened when I was attending my badminton classes in school. I was practicing, that's when I noticed a classmate who incidentally is in the same badminton batch as me, picking up shuttlecocks off the floor. My first thought was to help him and so I went around picking some shuttlecocks and threw them towards him for easy collection. To my surprise, he thought that I was throwing the shuttlecocks at him with the wrong intent. He quickly complained to the coach and in turn the coach gave me a sounding. And since he was already in a bad mood, the sounding I received was harsh. I felt terrible for I knew that I was just trying to help.

After reaching home from practice, I called my best friend and told her the whole story. Her words were, "Ayani, let it go". But, I wasn't convinced, I could only think of taking revenge for being treated so badly.

The very next day, I started to spread a rumour about my classmate who had wronged me. Soon, everyone was talking about him. He seemed very down in the class that day and I, well I felt satisfied. I didn't tell anything about this to my best friend because she would have surely stopped me from doing this; which I didn't want. When the teacher entered our class, I quickly lodged a complaint about him and explained all that had taken course the day prior at badminton practice. The teacher said that she would look into the matter.

Somehow, my best friend got to know about the source of the rumour, and what she said then was very shocking. She said to me, "Ayani, even if he has wronged you, doesn't mean that you have to do the same...There could have been a misunderstanding also. Do you remember that Islamic thought? "Love for all and hatred for none". They had this thought, in order to maintain peace. You shouldn't do anything wrong to people even though they have made you suffer. You have to be different, right? If you hurt him like he did, what will be the difference between you and him? Just think about it."

She was explaining this to me when the boy came over and apologized for his behavior. He said that there was a misunderstanding and explained his point of view. After talking to each other for a while, we decided to resolve our differences and get back to being on good terms. A few sessions later, I heard that he was called to the teacher's room. Guilt-ridden, I rushed to the room and saw that the teacher was questioning him angrily about the badminton court incident. I felt so bad for him and then realized my mistake. When he got out of the room, I apologized to him profusely only to have him tell me that he had already forgiven me. That's when I understood the real meaning of "LOVE FOR ALL, HATRED FOR NONE"......

- AADYA LUBRI (GRADE 8)

On behalf of the Udgam team, we would like to sincerely apologize for the typing error in the Second issue of the Udgam Newsletter- (1st September- 31st October). In the learner's corner - A write-up titled "We need Nature, Nature doesn't need us" was written independently by Nidhi Phansalkar- (Grade-8). However, in the newsletter, we wrote the names of Ishita Tawade -(Grade-8) and Rudra Todankar- (Grade-8) for the above write-up. Nidhi, please accept the apologies from the Udgam Team.



I was very scared to change Vivaan's school in mid-term but now I am very happy that my decision was right. In SVM, the thing I loved most is their way of teaching. They teach conceptually and make every learner understand concepts. EVS subject is hard but they show them different videos, make practical experiments, some application based toys help them to understand it best and they can write all about it in their own words. Maths is a subject where one can't learn things by heart but in school it's all magic. At SVM every learner is shown some interesting tricks, ways and a proper method to solve the problems easily. All languages Hindi, Marathi and English are taught in a superb way. One extra language Spanish too is being taught so interestingly on Saturdays. Sports, Dance and Arts are extra spices. There are always some exams and competitive exams to make learners prepare for future competitive exams. I hope SVM achieves pinnacle glory and will be the number one school in India.

शाळा म्हणताच डोळ्या समोर येते ती म्हणजे मधली सुट्टी, कडक पण थोडेसे प्रेमळ शिक्षक, मुख्याध्यापक, फळा इत्यादी. पण आताच्या काळामध्ये शाळेचे रंगरूप च पालटत चालले आहे.

माझ्या आर्यन ची शाळा म्हणजेच "सर्वंकष विद्या मंदिर" म्हणजे एक अद्ययावत तसेच नाविन्याने आणि सर्व सोयींनी नटलेली मुलांना हवी हवीशी वाटणारी अशी

खर सांगायचं तर आम्हाला शाळेत जायला नको असायचं पण आता आर्यन चा शाळेत जाण्यासाठीचा हट्ट आणि शाळेबद्दल असलेली ओढ आणि आदर बरच काही

शिक्षक मुलांना कितीही वेळा प्रत्येक गोष्ट समजावून सांगायला न कंटाळता तयार असतात. शिक्षणाच्या पद्धतीमुळे आणि शिक्षकांमुळे मुलांना शाळेची ओढ आहे हे बघून खूपच आनंद होतो. मुलांना बऱ्याच गोष्टी त्यांच्या आवडीनुसार शिकायाला मिळत आहेत.

मला अभिमान आहे कि माझा मूलगा सर्वंकष विद्या मंदिरच्या कुटुंबातील एक सदस्य आहे.पण मनात कुठे तरी खंत राहून जाते कि अशी शाळा आमच्या हि लहान पाणी का नव्हती ?

सर्वंकष विद्या मंदिर हे नवनवीन कल्पना आचरणात आणून आपले ब्रीद वाक्य Be More ...... हे साध्य करत आहे.

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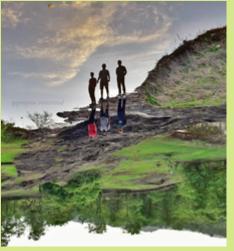
### HINA CHINMAY SURVE

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**SONALI SAWANT** 





PRASANNA MAHADIK



फोटोग्राफीची आवड लहानपणी फोटोग्राफी करणाऱ्या मोठ्या चुलत भावाच्या सोबत राहून आवड तयार झाली. लहान साधा कॅननचा कॅमेरा घेऊन फोटोग्राफी ची सुरुवात केली, सद्या मोबाईल वरूनच फोटोग्राफी करतो. प्रवास करताना ,घरगुती कार्यक्रम असताना नकळत फोटो काढणे जास्त पसंत आहे... आनंद घेणे एवढाच उद्देश.

DR ANAND AMBEKAR



## THE SEA...

CRASHING, IT'S WAVES BECKON ME,
STORM AND WILD THEY CALL ME,
SPARKLING AS DIAMONDS IN THE SUN,
POUNDING THE CLIFFS THAT STAND RESOLUTE,
POWERLESS AGAINST THE TENACIOUS WAVES,
BREAKING THEM TO PIECES ONE AT A TIME,
THE TIRELESS WAVES WITH THEIR CORE OF STEEL,
SOOTHE MY SOUL, GIVES ME PEACE...

- MS. NIDA MULLA

### **5 YEARS HENCE**

5 YEARS AGO I WAS ASKED ABOUT
THE LIFE I WISHED THE LIFE I VOUCHED,
I HAD HUGE PLANS TO PLUNGE AND FLY
ACROSS THE SEA ACROSS THE SKY
THE WORLD SEEMED TO BE IN MY FIST
WHERE BARRIERS AND HURDLES HARDLY EXIST

PRESUMING THAT I DROVE MY DESTINY
I OVERRULED THE CHANCE OF AN EPIPHANY,
THEN CAME A HALT AT THE HILT OF MY ARMS
THE WORLD WAS SHAKEN TO MAKE IT ALL CALM.

ALL ACTIONS CEASED, ALL EFFORTS FROZE MAN AND MACHINES TOGETHER REPOSE.

A JOLT TO MY ABSTRACTIONS OF THE 5 FIVE YEAR PLAN 'LET ME THINK IT OVER, ALLOWED ME TO WANE.

I REALIZED IT SOON THAT THE SUN AND THE MOON LONG WITH THIS TINY AMBITIOUS LITTLE EAR

ALONG WITH THIS TINY AMBITIOUS LITTLE EARTH HAD FIXED THEIR DATES TO PLAY A PRANK, MIRTH.

I GOT A QUICK CHECK
THAT I WAS A SMALL SPECK
IN THIS GREAT SYSTEM
ALIGNED WITH ITS OWN RHYTHM.
NO 'ME', NO 'YOU', NO ' ANYONE'
COULD BE SURE OF A MOMENT TO COME.

IT'S 'HE'S WHO DESIGNS OUR AMBITIONS OUR PLANS WHAT IS LEFT IN OUR HANDS IS TO PRAY AND SAY THANKS.

SO MY NEW 5-YEAR IDEOLOGY IS TO LEARN, TO LIVE, TO LOVE TO DIVE DEEPER AND RISE ABOVE

YES RESOLVED AM I TO NEVER QUIT, NEVER SHY AWAY FROM SIMPLE YET COMPLETE LIFE WHERE LAUGHTER IS AMPLE WITHOUT ANY 'WHY'.

TO BE AN EMBODIMENT OF COMPASSION, TO NEVER POSTPONE MY TASKS THENCE, I AM COMMITTED TO DEVOUR THE PRESENT, SO THAT I AM REGRET FREE FOR 5 YEARS HENCE.

- MS KIRAN DEWAL

## Our rivers are bleeding - a song on rivers

(Role of youth for river rejuvenation, Kalantar 2021)

The river is our mother, say some men to each other.

They draw the riches she has within, yet fill her like a dumping bin.

But don't forget she has the power, to get you off your ivory tower.

How can you not see that far?

In the hundred years that have past us by,

Technology has been on a high,

Conservation is just a lie...... if you and I don't try.

Ch: Our rivers are bleeding... crying and pleading,
While men are busy joking... our rivers, they are choking.
You and I must take a stand, for the future of our land,

"Save our rivers" is the brand, I'm sure you understand.

Some of us, just don't care, to gaze upon... this nightmare, Let's hope that, it isn't too late, to change our fate. Just do the right thing, don't hesitate, Lend a hand... participate.

Human life is at stake; with the horrible mistakes we make.

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- MS SNEHAL BHISE



MS SONAL JADHAV



## "WOW MOMENT..."

In my capacity as the Home Room Teacher (HRT) of Grade 2, it isn't unusual for me to be privy to some amazing, jaw-dropping and startling moments with my learners. Be it giving solutions to unexpected problems or answering their curious queries, they never stop amusing and surprising me. I have experienced quite a few "Wow!" moments in the past two years and I would love to relate some of the more recent ones.

Generally, during the snack break; having had their snacks, the children engage in play or roam around the classroom and that's the least that is expected of them. However, my "Rockstars" of Grade 2 beg to be different. Here's what they do post snacks - they pick up a book and begin reading... Yes, you heard me, "reading". And just like an epidemic, not one or two, but the entire classroom falls silent with 20 odd kids engrossed in reading; lost in the depths of the vast ocean of stories held in the books made available to each classroom. The first time around, it was all too surprising for me. It didn't matter to them if they were being watched or if there was someone around them. It was an overwhelming experience for me.





The next one is also a memorable one for me. This was when the learners were online and we were all in the process of understanding the features of Google meet, the platform we frequent for online sessions. Now, some kids had discovered a way to change on-screen backgrounds. As usual, my sessions were the testing period for them, and much to my surprise, I was to be the guinea pig on whom they'd experiment. Yes, you heard it right; some of them ended up taking a screenshot while I was teaching and set the picture as their background. It wasn't too long before, more than half the class followed suit and had me pink in the face, looking at my own image pasted on their on-screen backgrounds. I was literally bowled over by their digital intelligence and boldness to go through with it. Where grown-ups

were in the doldrums with respect to using the online mode for teaching and work purposes, my 7-year-olds were toying with the system like pros. My lot, Oh! they are simply unpredictable.

I love the way they respond to a problem and respect each others' opinions. I hope they continue flying high and soaring great heights in the future.

- MS KUSHBOO CHAHAL

We in Grade 5, try to enjoy, laugh and have fun each day. As the Home Room Teacher (HRT) of Grade 5, I have constantly endeavoured to ensure that laughter is a part of the everyday life of learners at Sarvankash Vidya Mandir. It has been really pleasant to have a batch of bright, bubbly and smiling students lighten up the classroom every morning. As the soft sunlight entered the classroom, accompanied by cool breeze, each day began with a picturesque view of the lush green playground.

I have experienced many "wow" moments with the learners of Grade 5, some of which I'd like to share here.

First "Wow!" moment.

In one of our English sessions, the learners and I were discussing the benefits of a "reading corner". They were shown beautiful images of different reading corners from around the world on a digital whiteboard. The visuals sparked curiosity amongst them.. And, surprise! surprise! That very evening on whatsapp, I received a picture of a marvellous reading corner built by one of our learners in her house. That one picture was enough to inspire and motivate the rest of the class. Gradually, all the learners of Grade 5 had succeeded in creating their own fascinating reading corners in their respective homes, which were later showcased on a Facebook post by the school.





Second "Wow!" moment. Every Grade is required to conduct the school assembly.

Being unique in their approach, the learners of Grade 5 wanted to conduct the assembly in a way different from the rest of the school. Therefore, the learners came up with the idea that all aspects of the assembly be planned and executed solely by them, without the involvement of a teacher or adult. The teacher would facilitate only if required.

The learners chose the theme of World Cancer Day, wrote the script for the assembly, conducted Google Meets for rehearsals, allocated duties and responsibilities and when the day finally arrived, they aced the execution of the assembly. The learners also introduced a new segment in the form of a "parents corner" in the assembly, which I thought stood out, since none of the other grades had ever done anything like this. It

was admirable to see the learners engaged in creativity, collaboration, critical thinking and interpersonal communication. They took the initiative and displayed collaboration and adaptability, some of the skills necessary for 21st century life, work and citizenship.

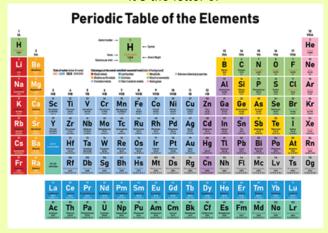
- MR PRAVIN SOMVANSHI

# THERE ARE MORE TREES ON EARTH THAN STARS IN OUR GALAXY

NASA experts believe there could be anywhere from 100 billion to 400 billion stars in the Milky Way galaxy, Snopes reports. However, a 2015 paper published in the journal Nature estimated that the number of trees around the world is much higher: 3.04 trillion.

# ONLY ONE LETTER DOESN'T APPEAR IN THE PERIODIC TABLE

It's the letter J.



### **NATURE LOVES FIBONACCI SEQUENCES**

The spiral shapes of sunflowers and other patterns in nature follow a Fibonacci sequence, where adding the two preceding numbers in the sequence gives you the next (1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, etc.)

https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=z9d1mxgZ0ag



#### **BANANAS ARE RADIOACTIVE**

File this under "strange but true": bananas contain potassium, and since potassium decays, that makes them slightly radioactive. But it's nothing you need to worry about. You'd need to eat 10,000,000 bananas at once to die of radiation poisoning, Forbes reports.

### **OXYGEN HAS A COLOUR**

As a gas, oxygen is odourless and colourless. In its liquid and solid forms, however, it looks pale blue.

# MULTIPLYING ONES ALWAYS GIVES YOU PALINDROMIC NUMBERS

If you multiply 111,111,111 × 111,111,111 you get 12,345,678,987,654,321 - a palindrome number that reads the same forwards or backwards. And that works all the way back down to 11 x 11 (121) or just 1 x 1 (1).

 $1 \times 1 = 1$   $11 \times 11 = 121$   $111 \times 111 = 12321$   $1111 \times 1111 = 1234321$   $11111 \times 11111 = 123454321$   $11111 \times 111111 = 12345654321$   $1111111 \times 1111111 = 1234567654321$   $11111111 \times 11111111 = 123456787654321$   $11111111 \times 111111111 = 12345678987654321$ 

### PRIME NUMBERS HELP CICADAS SURVIVE

Cicadas incubate underground for long periods of time before coming out to mate. Sometimes 13 spend they years underground, sometimes 17. Why? Both those intervals are prime numbers and biologists now believe cicadas adopted those life-cycles to minimize their contact with predators with round numbered lifemore cycles.



### **AMAZING FACTS ABOUT SANKRANTI**

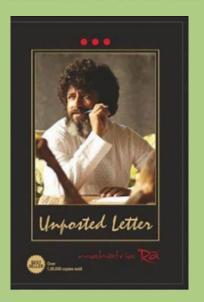


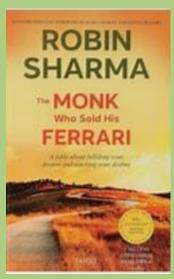
Makar Sankranti is one of the few Hindu festivals that take place based on the Solar cycle.

- It is believed that in Mahabharata, Bhisma while lying on the bed of arrows prepared by Arjun, waited until the dawn of Makar Sankranti to finally take his last breath.
- Do you know, why we say, "तिळगुळ घ्या गोड गोड बोला"? It is believed that the Lord Sun never got along with his son Shani. On the day of Makar Sankranti, Lord Sun visits Shani and finally forgives him. The festival is marked as a day of forgiveness.
- Makar Sankranti is the only festival of Hindu that matches the Gregorian Calendar. It always takes place on January 14.
- Approximately 1500 years ago, when Aryabhatta was alive, Makar Sankranti and Uttrayan coincided, due to which the festival is also known as Uttrayan.



### READING CORNER





#### STROTE- HINDI MAGAZINE

STROTE- It's a Hindi magazine published monthly based on current issues on Science and Technology.

# ग्लोबल वार्मिंग को 2 डिग्री से कम रखने का संकल्प

ग्लासगो में आयोजित जलवायु सम्मेलन में कई देशों ने ग्रीनहाउस गैसों के उत्सर्जन में कटौती की घोषणा की है। यदि यह सभी देश डन घोषणाओं पर अमल करते हैं तो 2015 के पेरिस जलवायु समझौते के प्रमुख लक्ष्यों को पूरा परिसं जलवायु संभिक्षात क प्रभुष्क लक्ष्या का पूर् किया जा सकता है। एक नए विश्लेषण से पता बला है कि भारत, चीन और अन्य देशों की संशोधित प्रतिबद्धताएं इस सदी में तापमान की वृद्धि को 1.9 डिग्री सेल्सियस तक सीमित कर सकती हैं। लेकिन मेलबोर्न युनिवर्सिटी के जलवायु वैज्ञानिक माल्टे मायनसुआज़ेन को लगता है कि इन घोषणाओं को पूरा करने के लिए काफी काम करना होगा।

बेकथू इंस्टीट्यूट के जलवायु वैज्ञानिक जेके हौसफादर के अनुसार जलवायु के नए अनुसान हालिया अनुसानों से नीचे नहीं हैं। अक्टूबर में जारी यू.एन. की रिपोर्ट में हालिया और पिछली प्रतिज्ञाओं को शामिल किया गया है जिसमें लगभग 2 डिग्री सेल्सियस की अनुमानित वार्मिंग को ध्यान में रखते हुए कार्बन स्थिरीकरण के साथ उत्सर्जन को संतुलित करते हुए नेट-जीरो प्राप्त करने की दीर्घकालिक प्रतिबद्धताओं को भी शामिल किया गया है। इसी तरह, इंटरनेशनल एनर्जी एजेंसी (आईईए) की रिपोर्ट का अनुमान है कि वर्तमान प्रतिबद्धताएं वार्मिंग को 1.8 डिग्री सेल्सियस तक सीमित कर देंगी। भारत और चीन की प्रतिबद्धताएं कुछ बड़े बदलाव कर सकती हैं।

मायनसुआजेन और उनके सहयोगियों ने सम्मेलन के शुरू होते ही राष्ट्रों द्वारा प्रस्तुत प्रतिज्ञाओं का संकलन किया। इनमें 2050 से 2070 तक नेट-ज़ीरो उत्सर्जन की दीर्घकालिक प्रतिबद्धताओं को भी शामिल किया गया है। इनमें से कुछ लक्ष्य वितीय सहायता पर निर्भर हैं जबके अन्य बिना किसी शर्त के निर्धारित किए गए हैं। इन उत्सर्जन अनुमानों को जलवायु मॉडल में डालने पर वार्मिंग के संभावित परिणाम पता

सम्मेलन के पहले की प्रतिज्ञाओं के आधार पर इस सदी की वार्मिंग 1.5-3.2 डिग्री सेल्सियस के बीच अनुमानित थी। लेकिन नई प्रतिज्ञाओं के आधार पर काफी संभावना 1.9 डिग्री सेल्सियस से कम वृद्धि की है। इन में भारत का 2070 तक नेट-जीरों का लक्ष्य प्राप्त करने, चीन की नई जलवायु प्रतिज्ञाएं और 2030 तक उत्सर्जन को कम करने के लिए 11 अन्य राष्ट्रीय प्रतिज्ञाएं भी

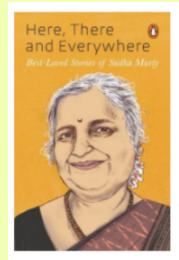
इम्मीरियल कॉलेज लंदन के एक जलवायु वैज्ञानिक जोएरी रोगेली के अनुसार यदि देश अपने वादों का पूरी तरह से पालन करते हैं तब भी तापमान 2 डिग्री सेल्सियस से अधिक बढ़ने की काफी संभावना होगी क्योंकि कई मामलों में स्पष्टता की कमी है। उदाहरण के लिए भारत ने यह स्पष्ट नहीं किया कि नेट-ज़ीरों की प्रतिबद्धता केवल कार्बन डाईऑक्साइड के लिए है या सभी

ग्रीनहाउस गैसों पर लागू होती है। इसके अलावा, कई घोषणाएं महज दिखावा भी हो सकती हैं। जैसे, ऑस्ट्रेलिया में जलवायु लक्ष्यों का दिखावा करने के साथ-साथ जीवाश्म ईंधन के उपयोग में विस्तार किया जा रहा है। इसके अलावा, विकासशील देशों को कई योजनाओं हेतु वित्तीय सहायता की आवश्यकता होगी। फिर भी प्रतिज्ञाएं एक महत्वपूर्ण सुधार की द्योतक हैं। (स्रोत फीचर्स)



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## **ABOUT THE BOOK**



The short stories in the book are easy to read and fill the readers with positivity while forcing them to engage in some introspection. The stories can be understood even by young readers as the style of writing and choice of words are simple and pretty straightforward. While most of the stories are chosen from her other publications, there are two fresh stories about her literary journey and her take on what philanthropy truly means.





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