

**“Let your light shine before
men, that they may see your
good deeds and glorify your
Father in heaven.”**

Matthew 5:16 (Holy Bible)



Milestone

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Senior School Teachers



To strive, to seek, to glean and to yield

Message



It gives me great pleasure to pen down a few lines for the school magazine 'Milestone'.

Today we live in a technology and media – suffused environment with access to an abundance of information, rapid changes in technological tools and the ability to collaborate and make individual contributions, on an unprecedented scale. To be effective in the 21st century, our students and teachers must be able to create, evaluate and effectively utilize information and technology.

In the last seventeen years, the school has created an environment and ambience that allows learning to take place at the child's pace. It provides them ample opportunities to explore and grow, through challenging situations.

I am reminded of the words of the famous scientist, Albert Einstein, "I don't teach my children, I create conditions for them to learn". Under the dynamic leadership of the Principal, Dr. (Mrs.) Mary Thomas and the very committed staff, the school has created conditions for the students to evaluate and effectively utilize information and technology to imbibe knowledge. But one must remember that the skills one learns, should reflect the specific demands that will be placed on them in a complex, competitive and technology driven society.

To quote from the Book of Isaiah, Chapter 41, verse 10

"So do not fear, for I am with you

do not be dismayed, for I am your God.

I will strengthen you and help you:

I will uphold you with my righteous right hand"

With this confidence from the Almighty, I wish you all the very best. May the Almighty bless the school and all its endeavours in the year ahead.

Mary George

President

Lott Carey Baptist Mission in India

Message



**Do you not know that in a race all the runners run,
but only one gets the prize?**

Run in such a way as to get the prize.

1 Corinthians Chapter 9 Verse 24

Everybody likes to win the Prize. However few are willing to put in the hardwork, dedication and discipline, which the Prize demands.

In the Ancient Roman Empire, athletes stripped down to a simple loincloth so that nothing prevented them from running their best race. Referring to it, Apostle Paul writes: 'Don't you realise that in a race everyone runs, but only one person gets the prize? So run to win! All athletes are disciplined in their training. How about you? Do you just want the fun of being in the race, or are you running to win? To succeed at being what God has called you to be, you'll have to abstain from certain things, even enjoyable things, and begin doing other things that support your goals and help you to fulfil your God-ordained purpose. Sometimes this will mean saying no to well-intentioned people who try to involve you in things that steal your time and produce the wrong results. It will also mean dealing with snares that entangle you. You have to ask for God's forgiveness and press forward. Those who pay the price get the prize! St. Paul knew he couldn't win the race without first bringing his body, mind and emotions under the control of God's Spirit. The same goes for you. And you can't expect somebody else to make you do what's right; you must listen to what God's saying to you, and take action.

All those who won in the race of Life, had to discard whatever is holding them back or diverting their attention, mentally fix their goal and relentlessly strive towards it. As poet Longfellow aptly penned,

**"The heights by great men reached and kept were not attained by sudden flight,
but they while their companions slept, were toiling upward in the night"**

May our Lord grant you wisdom and courage to finish the race and win the prize.

Thomas T Roy

Superintendent &

Secretary/Treasurer

Lott Carey Baptist Mission in India

Message



"Somewhere, something incredible is waiting to be known." – Carl Sagan

I came across this amazing quote quite suddenly when I was looking for some information on the internet and realised how relevant it is for all of us: children, parents and teachers. There is never any point in the life of a person when he can sit back and say, "There is nothing more to learn, I can relax with the comforting thought that the universe around me is an open book. I know it all."

Education is not just about the subjects that are learnt and taught in school. Becoming educated is not restricted to being in school and then in college, gathering certificates and feeling proud of oneself. It is a lifelong exercise that can be unbelievably exciting if only we wish to jump onto the train of experience and take a trip to every conceivable place on the earth. Now we know that this cannot be done literally, so how do we manage it, first in school and then as we go on through the journey of life?

First, we all have to be on the same page: children, teachers and parents have to understand that education is not restricted to lessons taught in the classroom from text books. Parents and teachers must encourage children to ask as many questions as they can. For it is in wanting to know that will result in actually getting to know.

The thirst for knowledge is not restricted to the child. It is also essential for a parent and a teacher to keep adding to their own knowledge bank by keeping their eyes and ears open and by reading as much as possible and ensuring that children develop these habits as well.

I received the fundamentals of my education in school, but that was not enough. My real education, the superstructure, the details, the true architecture, I got out of the public library. For an impoverished child whose family could not afford to buy books, the library was the open door to wonder and achievement, and I can never be sufficiently grateful that I had the wit to charge through that door and make the most of it." - Isaac Asimov

Besides all of the above, that add to children becoming truly educated, schools and teachers must ensure that children have a variety of enriching experiences. Surprisingly, these experiences develop a child's creativity and imagination and lead to something that is often thought to be more important than knowledge. Creativity and imagination make children grow up to be productive adults who then arrive as citizens of the world ready to make their own great contribution to mankind.

"Imagination is more important than knowledge. For knowledge is limited to all we now know and understand, while imagination embraces the entire world, and all there ever will be to know and understand." – Albert Einstein

My message to the Principals, Staff, Students and esteemed Parents of Somerville Schools administered by the Lott Carey Baptist Mission in India, is to dedicate this year to a correct understanding of what education really means and let us all benefit from this understanding.

DA Tressler

Chairperson & Director,
Somerville Schools, LCBM in India

Message



"Light thinks it travels faster than anything but it is wrong. No matter how fast light travels, it finds the darkness has always got there first, and is waiting for it."

- Terry Pratchett, Reaper Man.

Of all the years that I have taught Physics in school, I have always taught the properties of light, the bending of light, the splitting of light etc., with a sense revolutionary importance that could possibly give more marks to a child to pass his/her examination. However, if we stop to think a little beyond our curricular textbooks, beyond the great formulas that physicists' have to offer us, there is a practical, metaphoric and spiritual understanding of light that I would like to draw your attention to.

For a civilization to sustain, we need to form a society that would sustain by going beyond our daily physical needs. We need to build a society that would leave the world a better place for future generations. We need a society that has a vision guided by a metaphoric light that we call Education – a bridge that moves society from merely existing to fully living. The very fact that we use the word "enlighten" holds the meaning that Education is but a movement from darkness to light.

For when light falls, it reveals. It reveals to the naked eye the flaws, the shortcomings, the failures. It is only when we are in the light, we know in which direction we need to move forward in order to rise above. Darkness, is always there waiting for us, no matter how far we think we are shining our lights towards all people, there are always more in need of this light, waiting for sight.

At this time, I would like to encourage all of you with the words of Jesus Christ, when He says "let your light shine before men, so that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven". The gratefulness of the blind when they receive sight, is unparalleled to any joy in this world. It is this joy that we should aim at, through the light that Education brings to all. Let us be instruments through which the Lord can use, to spread His light. In whichever capacity we can, and wherever we are placed, God can and will use us to shine brighter than the sun, if only we let Him. And when His light reaches far and wide, the world will unite under His light to glorify Him for the vision of a peaceful world and a safer tomorrow.

As we celebrate 2015, as the International Year of Light, let us take a conscious decision to educate and enlighten at least one less fortunate child around us, who needs the light just as much as we do.

Dr. Mary Thomas

Principal

*The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face shine upon you,
and be gracious to you." - Numbers 6:24,25 (Holy Bible)*

Heartiest Felicitations

To our beloved Principal

Dr. Mary Thomas

*On being conferred with the prestigious
CBSE Teacher's Award*

by

Smt. Smriti Zubin Irani

(Honourable HRD Minister)

At

Manekshaw Centre, New Delhi



WE ARE TRULY PROUD OF YOU MA'AM!

*Somerville Family Greater NOIDA salutes your
conscientiousness and dynamism towards being a perfectionist.*



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CBSE

2014

शिक्षक पुरस्कार
Award for Teachers



प्रबोधक पुरस्कार
Award for Mentors

डॉ. मेरी थॉमस

Dr. Mary Thomas



प्रधानाचार्या, समरविले स्कूल, ग्रेटर नोएडा, उत्तर प्रदेश

Principal, Somerville School, Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh

डॉ. मेरी थॉमस को केन्द्रीय माध्यमिक शिक्षा बोर्ड का वर्ष 2013 का शिक्षक पुरस्कार प्राप्त हुआ है। डॉ. मेरी थॉमस ने शिक्षा में विद्यावाचस्पति की उपाधि प्राप्त की है। उनके शोध कार्य ने उन्हें समाज के विभिन्न तबकों में शिक्षा के स्तर के विषय में अंतर्दृष्टि प्रदान की है। उन्होंने अपनी शिक्षा का उपयोग विद्यालयों में नवाचार आधारित शिक्षण युक्ति लागू करने में किया है। विविध अध्ययन शैलियाँ तथा व्यक्ति-जन्य आवश्यकता-परक अधिगम उनकी कुछ युक्तियाँ रही हैं।

उनका मानना है कि, प्रधानाचार्य के लिए सुविधाजनक एवं निर्देशात्मक नेतृत्व सीखना अति आवश्यक है जिससे कि पेशेवर तरीके से अनुदेश एवं विद्यालयों का मूल्यांकन किया जा सके। एक शिक्षाविद् के रूप में वह सूक्ष्म स्तर पर कार्य कर विद्यालयी शिक्षा पटल पर अमिट छाप छोड़ने के लिए उन्मुख हैं।

Dr. Mary Thomas is being felicitated with the CBSE Award for Teachers 2013. Dr. Thomas possesses a doctoral degree in Education. Her research work has given her keen insight about the different strata of society and the level of education there in. She has profoundly utilized her education in the implementation of innovative strategies at her school. Development of multiple learning styles and individual need-based learning are some such strategies. She believes that, for a principal, it is important to learn facilitative and instructional leadership since the principal has to set a high standard for the professional practice of instruction and assessment in his or her school.





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डॉ० मैरी थॉमस, प्राचार्य,

समशविले स्कूल,

ग्रेटर नोएडा (उठ प्र०)

को एक उत्कृष्ट शिक्षक के रूप में शिक्षा उत्थान के लिए समाज को प्रदान की गई बहुमूल्य व प्रशंसनीय सेवाओं के लोक परिज्ञान हेतु प्रदान किया जाता है।

CBSE Award to Teachers-2013

This award is given to

Dr. Mary Thomas, Principa

Somerville School,

Greater Noida (U.P.)

in public recognition of his/her valuable and commendable services rendered to the community for the cause of education as a Teacher of outstanding merit.

(विनीत जोशी/Vineet Joshi)

अध्यक्ष/Chairman



Thank You Note

You are my God, and I will praise you;
you are my God, and I will exalt you.
Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good;
His love endures forever.

- Psalms 118 : 28 - 29 (Holy Bible)

Student Editorial Board

I remember, every year, as soon as I used to get the school magazine, it kept me riveted to it till the last page. Each of its aspect has always intrigued me a lot. Moreover, being a member of 2014-15 Milestone's Editorial Board has been a rewarding experience. It taught me the value of team work and also improved my writing style. I realised that our school possesses students having such an incredible talent. Editing articles, bringing in new ideas and organizing information takes in a lot of creativity, skill and patience. Milestone helped me realise exactly that.

Nandini Garg, XI-C

As a member of student editorial, I don't think that I have given any service or just done some work for others but in my view I have gained a beautiful experience of working in a systematic manner in a team. I have learnt the art of coping up with various odd situations. Its not only about typing essays and drawing caricatures but it is about giving rise to innumerable innovative ideas and abundant creativity. This wonderful experience has taught me how an excellent team works with individual incentive can help in attaining success in your work. I am glad that I was given the chance to learn all this in the school itself.

Roopal Chauhan, XI-D

It was my first experience of working for the school magazine. I'm glad that I got this chance as I could try something new and different. I am thankful to Deepika ma'am who gave me this opportunity. Initially I was not sure of what exactly had to be done but gradually I got to know the task. It was a pleasure working for the editorial as I got a chance to see the creativity of the students. I could read their imagination in the various essays and poems which they had written on different topics. I was able to relate with them as I also wrote such essays in my younger years. This task also helped me to check and improve my vocabulary and grammar skills and I was able to utilize my free time in some constructive work. Apart from this, I also got a chance to contribute for my school magazine. I'm obliged to have got such a wonderful opportunity and would try to get more of them in future.

Priya Walia, XI-D

Being a part of the editorial board was a wonderful experience for me. It has helped me in learning new things and has also inculcated a sense of responsibility and dedication towards the school. It has given me an insight into the efforts and dedication required to make the school magazine – a milestone. But all this would not have been possible if our teachers would not have been there to guide us and encourage us throughout the editing work. I feel proud to be a part of it.

Priyanka Rana, XI-B

Being a part of the editorial board has been a wonderful experience. It was a moment of pride when my teacher told me that I have been selected for the editorial board. I know that being an editor is not an easy task, it has many responsibilities but I know that I would be able to handle these responsibilities wisely.

It all began by editing the write-ups of students for the school magazine and then typing it which had to be printed in the school magazine. I managed it well and proved that I am worthy of this responsibility. Throughout my life in school, it was one of my greatest experience to be a part of the editorial board. I believe that every student can be a part of the editorial board, however, only the guidance of a good teacher can help him/her to reach such great heights. I thank my teacher who guided and motivated me and stood there as a firm pillar of support.

I will always remember that I was once a part of the editorial board during my school life.

Merin Jose, XI-B

Felicitations



Rohan Gupta - School Topper Science Stream (96.8%)



Kunal Mittal - Second Highest Science Stream (95.6%)



Sudhanshu Monga - Third Highest Science Stream (94.8%)



Jasleen Kaur - Topper Commerce Stream (96.6%)



Arjun Tandon - Second Highest Commerce Stream (93%)



Mansi Goyal - Third Highest Commerce Stream (92.6%)

**A constant struggle, a ceaseless battle to bring success,
is the price of all great achievements - Orison Swett Marden**

Felicitations



Nancy Bhati - Topper Humanities Stream (94.6%)



Rima Bhaduri - Second Highest Humanities Stream (94%)



Shreya Elizabeth George - Third Highest Humanities Stream (92.8%)



Neha Bhati - Chemistry Topper (100%) & Painting Topper (98%)



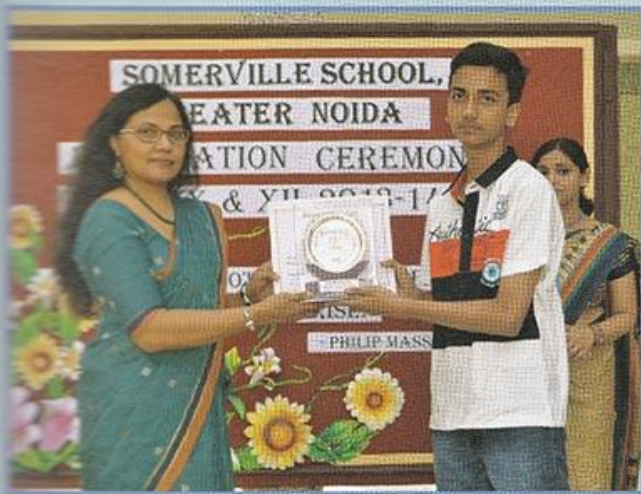
Jayoti Saha - Biology Topper (96%)



Shipra Gautam - Biology Topper (96%)

He who wills the end wills the means

Felicitations



Asim Ansari - Computer Science Topper (99%)



Rishabh Joshi - English Topper (97%)



Srishti Kundaliya - English Topper (97%)



Gargi Singh - Painting Topper (98%)



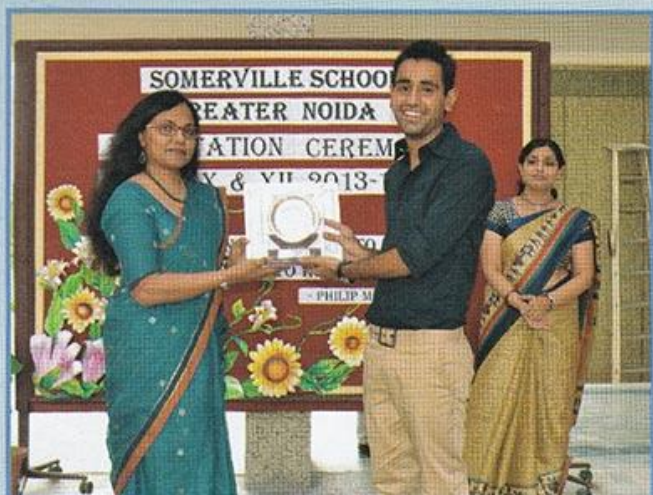
Devika Bahl - Geography Topper (98%)



Udit Nangia - Geography Topper (98%)

Great things are not done by impulse,
but a series of small things brought together

Felicitations



Aman Karamvir - Political Science Topper (98%)



Preeti Manna - English Topper (97%)



Princy Pathak - 10 CGPA in Class X



Shalini Kumar - 10 CGPA in Class X



Priyanka Rana - 10 CGPA in Class X



Shivangi Singh - 10 CGPA in Class X

Stepping stones to success

Felicitations



Vivin Vinod - 10 CGPA in Class X



Toppers of Science Stream



Toppers of Commerce Stream



Toppers of Humanities Stream



Toppers of Class X



Muivah Award Winners – Princy Pathak (X-A) and Priyanka Rana (X-A)

The roots of true achievement lie in the will to become
the best that you can become - Harold Taylor

Parents Speak

When I was looking for a good school for my daughter, which would not only cater to academics but also inculcate moral values and discipline, I stepped into the premises of Somerville School Greater Noida. I knew that this was the school I wanted my daughter to study in. The staff members are approachable and it has been seven years that my daughter has been studying in this school. The teachers are very dedicated and efficient in discovering the hidden talents of each child. Moreover the school, in this changing environment, has not only maintained its values and ethics but has also adopted technology efficiently in the form of Smart Classes. I am satisfied with the way my daughter and son are being groomed in this school.

Sonali Chakraborty (Mother of Shuva Chakraborty, V-D and Shreyas Chakraborty, K.G.-D)

Somerville School Greater Noida provides a unique environment to students, teachers and parents. I've seen it, analysed it the way my children are taught here and believe me, its impressive!

As far as I am concerned proper education and good health and hygiene is what a child of this age needs and I am happy that both my sons are receiving them. In addition to the countless facilities, the school provides a glimpse of our beautiful surroundings. The school is equipped with all necessary security arrangements, highly experienced teachers and a friendly staff.

Excellence in sports is very common here with a best-in-class group of artists, vocalists and instrumentalists. In my opinion, it is by far, the best school in Greater Noida.

Anuradha Gahlot (Mother of Abhas Gahlot, IX-D and Arpit Gahlot, V-D)



EDITORIAL

'Praise the Lord O my soul and forget not all His benefits'
Psalm 103:2

I thank the Almighty as we bring you yet another copy of 'Milestone'. It captures the noteworthy journey of a Somervillian who would cherish moments spent in the portals of their Alma Mater.

You will feel the leaves of 'Milestone' pulsate with the students' vision, mission, optimism, objectives, merits and achievements coated with fervour, dynamism and vibrance. Our students, the young originators, commune with the outer world their reflective distinction in curricular and extracurricular activities.

'Milestone' also covers every facade of the Somerville family, it's noteworthy attributes, ever progressive flight towards the pinnacle - be it the laurels brought home by the students or our dear Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas, the fountain head of conscientiousness and excellence who being the proud recipient of the Teacher's Award 2013 has set a bench mark for one and all working under her. Ma'am is the vibrating cord, the back bone of the school and helps the students and teachers unleash their latent potential and infuse a feeling of solidarity, empathy and humaneness for a better tomorrow-a glimpse of which may be caught as you flip through these pages.

Through yet another edition of 'Milestone' we are delighted to bring to limelight the contributions of our scholars as we believe that each creation is unique and expresses one's individuality and novelty. Hence, I conclude with a few words of wisdom 'Act justly, Love mercy, Walk humbly' in order to carve a niche for yourself.

Deepika Shalini Nanda



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CLASS XII

STREAMWISE TOPPERS OF CLASS XII

SCIENCE STREAM

POSITION	NAME OF THE STUDENTS	PERCENTAGE
1 st	ROHAN GUPTA	96.8
2 nd	KUNAL MITTAL	95.6
3 rd	SUDHANSHU MONGA	94.8

COMMERCE STREAM

POSITION	NAME OF THE STUDENTS	PERCENTAGE
1 st	JASLEEN KAUR	96.6
2 nd	ARJUN TANDAN	93.0
3 rd	MANSI GOYAL	92.6

HUMANITIES STREAM

POSITION	NAME OF THE STUDENTS	PERCENTAGE
1 st	NANCY BHATI	94.6
2 nd	REEMA BHADURI	94.0
3 rd	SHREYA ELIZABETH GEORGE	92.8



DETAILED RESULT OF CLASS XII 2013-2014

**TOTAL NO. OF STUDENTS
APPEARED - 127**

NO. OF STUDENTS PASSED	127
NO. OF FAILURES	NIL
NO. OF DISTINCTIONS (ABOVE 75%)	94
NO. OF FIRST DIVISIONS (BETWEEN 60% - 74%)	31
NO. OF SECOND DIVISIONS (BETWEEN 50%-59%)	02
NO. OF THIRD DIVISIONS	NIL

SUBJECTWISE TOPPERS OF CBSE CLASS XII 2013 - 2014

NAME OF THE STUDENTS	SUBJECT	MARKS
RISHABH JOSHI	ENGLISH	97
PREETI MANNA	ENGLISH	97
SRISHTI KUNDALIYA	ENGLISH	97
KUNAL MITTAL	MATHEMATICS	100
ROHAN GUPTA	PHYSICS	95
NEHA BHATI	CHEMISTRY	100
KUNAL MITTAL	CHEMISTRY	100
JAYOTI SAHA	BIOLOGY	96
SHIPRA GAUTAM	BIOLOGY	96
ASIM ANSARI	COMPUTER SCIENCE	99
JASLEEN KAUR	ACCOUNTANCY	95
ANUKRITI GARG	BUSINESS STUDIES	100
JASLEEN KAUR	ECONOMICS	99
AMAN KARAMVIR	POLITICAL SCIENCE	98
UDIT NANGIA	GEOGRAPHY	98
DEVIKA BAHL	GEOGRAPHY	98
SUDHANSHU MONGA	PHYSICAL EDUCATION	99
NEHA BHATI	PAINTING	98
RISHABH JOSHI	PAINTING	98
SRIJITA CHANDRA	PAINTING	98
GARGI SINGH	PAINTING	98

DETAILED RESULT OF CLASS X 2013-2014

STUDENTS WHO SECURED 95% (A1 GRADE)

IN ALL THE SUBJECTS

S. NO.	NAME OF THE STUDENTS
1.	PRINCY PATHAK
2.	PRIYANKA RANA
3.	SHALINI KUMAR
4.	SHIVANGI SINGH
5.	VIVIN VINOD

STUDENT COUNCIL 2014-15

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Head Girl :	Ishani Bhattacharya (XII A)	Vice Head Girl :	Sanya Monadeepa Claudius (XI D)
Sports Captain :	Ayushi Rohela (XII C)	Vice Sports Captain :	Saurabh Bhatnagar (XI C)

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Captain :	Priye Roshan (XII D)
Vice Captain :	Karishma Mohan (XI C)
Sports Captain :	Ayush Som (XI C)
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Sumit Singh (XI D)
Harshit Mishra (X C)

Moses House

Captain :	Akshat Singhal (XII D)
Vice Captain :	Priyanka Rana (XI C)
Sports Captain :	Joel Antony (XI D)
Representative :	Sarthak Kanodia (X C)

Solomon House

Ira (XII C)
Jas Simrat (XI D)
Roopal Chauhan (XI D)
Rahul Sharma (X A)

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Vaibhavi Sathi (XI C)
Aayush Mathur (X A)
Sagarika Chakroborty (IX A)

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Shibi Srivastava (XII B)
Pooja Pareek (XI D)
Lakshay Garg (X A)
Aditi Adhikari (IX C)

School Uniform Incharge

Shreyam Mishra (XII B)
Preeti Roshan (XII C)

Uniform Prefect

Saksham Mitra (XI C)
Vidisha Choudhary (XI C)
Shrey Bhardwaj (X B)
R. Akshaya (X A)
Soumya Sahu (IX B)
Garima Choudhary (IX B)

Discipline Prefect

Kevin Tom Sonny (XII B)	Shlok Saxena (X A)
Ayushi Joshi (XII B)	Prachi Singh (X B)
Nandini Garg (XI D)	Sunit Basak (IX D)
Shourya Mehrotra (XI C)	Smera Pttaik (IX A)
Siddhi Agarwal (X D)	Harsvardhan Chauhan (IX D)
Mayank Srivastava (X C)	Abhas Ghalot (IX D)

Library Incharge

Ambika Thakur (XII D)

Library Prefect

Protima Baneerji (XI C)
Soumya Pal (XI C)

100 % ATTENDANCE FOR THE SESSION 2014-15

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| 1. | SHRUTI GUPTA | VIA |
| 2. | DISHA NISHAD | VII A |
| 3. | RACHI AGARWAL | VIII D |
| 4. | ABHAS GHALOT | IX D |
| 5. | HARSHIT GARG | XD |

AN ENGAGING INTERVIEW WITH MRS. IRA TIWARI

Ira ma'am, one of the most loved and respected teachers of Somerville School, Greater Noida, is a teacher every student wishes to be taught by. Ma'am is what someone can refer to as an 'accidental teacher'. She is among the oldest members of our school and her contribution towards our school has been immense. Known for her graceful, soft-spoken, warm-hearted nature, and her passion for the English subject, ma'am has the uncommon ability to make her students fall in love with the language. Her excellent sense of humour and an endless bounty of interesting stories and personal experiences make every interaction with her fun filled and memorable. It would not be incorrect to say that all students who have had the opportunity to be taught by ma'am should consider themselves very lucky.

We had been fortunate enough to be under her guidance for two consecutive years. Hence, our joy knew no bounds when we got the splendid opportunity to interview ma'am before her retirement. Here are some excerpts from the interview.



Mrs. Ira Tiwari being interviewed by the students

What has been your experience with the Somerville family?

It has been awesome. From the junior to the senior classes, each student has taught me something. Teaching has not just been about giving knowledge but also about acquiring knowledge from children. The learning process never ends.

Somerville is like a second home and second family. I started working here when there were just five teachers. I was the first librarian and the first computer teacher for two years. I was also a part of the Astronomy Club, which was an amazing experience. We used to go to Gurgaon. Somerville is close to my heart because I have done so much for it.

For how many years have you been putting up with our mischief?

(Laughs) It has been over 15 years. I first taught at a college at the age of 21 after completing my M.Sc at the age of 20.

As for the mischief, you get used to it, become immune. (Smiles) I like naughty children, provided they study. I like interacting with children. More the interaction, more the teaching.

What made you take up teaching as a profession?

I did not want to be a teacher. I was enjoying life after completing college and was not doing



anything. A friend from college made me give an interview for the post of a teacher. I realized that teaching was nice and have enjoyed it over the years. As my husband was in the forces, I found no other profession suitable than teaching to be with him at all the postings he had.

Why did you choose to teach English?

I studied Science but always found English attractive. Words can be so beautiful in a language. It is a soft language. You can express yourself beautifully in English. I like teaching English. The poems are so beautiful and have such deep meaning if you can get through them to the children. When I am able to explain it to them and make them understand it is a good thing. It gives me satisfaction.

There are times when students fail to meet the expectations of a teacher. This for sure is disappointing for the teacher. Despite this, we have always seen you motivating the students, no matter what. What keeps you going?

My belief in God. I have studied Child Psychology and put it into practice while teaching. I do not want any child to be disappointed.

As a teacher what makes you feel proud?

Seeing my students do well. I feel happy when they succeed in life, keep in touch and remember me, sometimes, even after getting married.

What is the success mantra to excel in English?

Read books, listen to the news and interact in English. Just reading will not help, speaking in English is important. In my school, the nuns were very strict about speaking in English and would often ask --“Hindi mein baat karega?”(laughs).

What do you miss the most about your school days? How were they different from our's?

In our times, the children were well behaved. We were a little naughty during the Hindi and Sanskrit classes. These days, children somehow lack personal discipline. I remember being sent out of the class once for talking (laughs). I have been very disciplined since then.

What has been the influence of your students on your life?

I have always loved my students. They have taught me to be very patient, to give love and receive love. I have learnt a lot from them.

When you are having a bad day are your students able to cheer you up, or do they make things worse?

My mantra is never to let anyone know that I have had a bad day and keep smiling whatever may be the matter. Once you enter a class, just forget about the matter and do not get angry.

Is the personal experience of bringing up children helpful for teaching students?

I have been a soft mother and could never scold my children (laughs). In fact, they used to make fun of me when I would try to scold them. They would say-“Look, mummy is trying to scold us.” You can scold and tell your own children but the same is not acceptable to the students. At home, you just have to handle two kids whereas in class there are forty. You need to keep a balance in class because ten percent of the students are really naughty and then another ten percent of them are really intelligent.

RAPID FIRE:

- Favourite subject in your school days* : Science
A subject you did not like in your school days : Hindi
Your favourite teacher : Mrs. D'Souza. She taught me in class 3 and used to praise my beautiful handwriting. She loved me a lot and gave me toffees and cookies,
Most vivid and fond memory of school life : Having lot of friends, spending time with them and visiting each other
Were you a naughty student? : Sometimes naughty but mostly sincere.
Favourite genre in books : I prefer fiction
Favourite Authors : James Green, Robert Ludlum and Robin Cook
Favourite Book : Gone with the Wind
Favourite Movie : The Sound of Music
Favourite Actor : Amitabh Bachchan
Favourite Pastime : Reading and Sudoku
Favourite Holiday Destinations : Europe, London, U.S.A
Favourite Song : I am not very fond of songs
Favourite Singers/bands : Lata Mangeshkar, The Beatles, The Rolling Stones
Favourite Season : Winter
Favourite Day of the week : Sunday

If you were granted one wish, what would it be?

I wish I could instill the need of keeping the environment clean in everyone's head. In foreign countries, people are more conscious of their duties towards the environment.
 I would be happy if people could become more conscious and make our country clean and beautiful.

What is the first word that comes to your mind when we say....

- Somerville* : Wonderful
English : Amazing. Love it.
Colleagues : Very helpful and nice
Students : Naughty
Childhood : Great. Lovely.
Retirement : Fun
Social networking sites : Okay. Bad for some reasons as people become aggressive and take things at a personal level.
India : Clean up
Politics : Useless and Dirty
NaMo : I Like him
Your Life : It has been good and I thank God for that.

*(Interviewed By:**Ishani Bhattacharya, XII-A and Shubhangi Bansal, XII-D)*

INVESTITURE CEREMONY (SENIOR SCHOOL)

YOUNG SHOULDERS WIELD RESPONSIBILITY



“UNEASY IS THE HEAD THAT WEARS THE CROWN. WITH POWER COMES GREAT RESPONSIBILITY.”

School Councils are an important way of involving the students in decision making and consultations about various aspects of school life and develop a sense of responsibility as citizens of a nation. Our school bestows upon its students the ability to be future leaders of the world. Keeping up with this vision, Investiture Ceremony of the Student Council Members of the Senior School was held on 28th April' 2014. The Student Council was selected after the regular rounds of screening comprising the interaction with the selection committee and the oratorical and public speaking ability. The selected members were entrusted with their duties and conferred with the responsibility of leading their Alma Mater. The programme began with a short prayer seeking the blessings of the Omnipresent. Dr. Mary Thomas, Principal conferred the students with the sashes and badges reminding the students of the true worth and weight, both these uphold. She also enlightened the students saying that privileges can be no greater than obligations. It was a significant moment for the new Head Boy, Anubhav Kandwal and Head Girl, Ishani Bhattacharya who led their team in the March Past and took the oath to uphold the traditions and ethos of the school at all times and shoulder their duties with loyalty, truth and humility. The moment infused a sense of pride and authority with accountability and above all service.

“DO NOT FOLLOW WHERE THE PATH MAY LEAD, GO INSTEAD WHERE THERE IS NO PATH AND LEAVE A TRAIL.”

FELICITATION CEREMONY

"EDUCATION IS THE APPRENTICESHIP OF LIFE; EXAMINATION IS A MODE OF JUSTIFYING POTENTIAL AND LATENT TALENT, RESULT IS A MEANS OF RECOGNIZING THAT EFFORT CULMINATES TO SUCCESS AND GLORY."

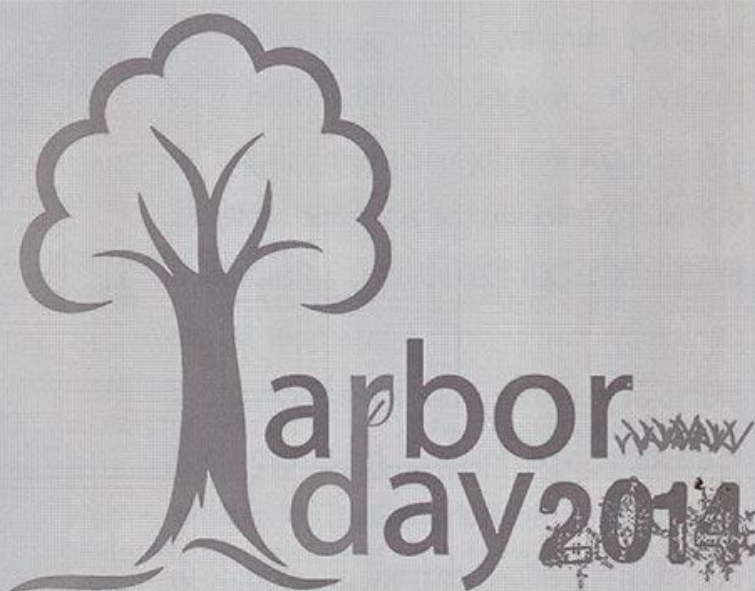
Commitments lead to action and sincere determination, and an indomitable quest to excel brings success closer. Success is a blend of six essential qualities - earnest desire, personal integrity, humility, courtesy, wisdom and charity. It provides happiness when it is affirmed not only by one's own self but by others. To felicitate the academic achievers of Class X & XII (2013-14), a Felicitation Ceremony was organized in school in the month of July. The programme began with a word of prayer, followed by a hymn and reading from the Holy Bible. The students presented a well orchestrated programme to celebrate the occasion. Among those present were the School authorities, teachers, toppers of A.I.S.S.C.E. - (2013-14), students who notched 10 CGPA in class X examinations and the proud parents of the achievers. Honourable Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas honoured the young stalwarts with trophies and certificates. Speaking on the occasion, she congratulated the students for their stupendous performance and blessed them to accomplish all their set goals in life and reach the pinnacle of success. She also extended her thanks to the parents for their unflinching support.



ENVIRONMENT WEEK

“WHEN THE LAST TREE IS CUT, THE LAST RIVER IS POISONED AND THE LAST FISH IS CAUGHT, ONLY THEN WILL MAN WAKE UP TO THE CALL THAT MONEY CAN'T BE EATEN.”

Environment in the literal sense means our surroundings. There is a close relationship between human beings and environment. To sensitize the students, to conserve the natural resources, the “Terra Friends” Environment Club of the school, ever since its inception, has carried on the task of upgrading the environment in and around the school. The students of Somerville uphold the vision of ‘Clean Earth-Green Earth’ and follow it religiously. Environment week was celebrated from 24th to 28th July’ 2014. A series of

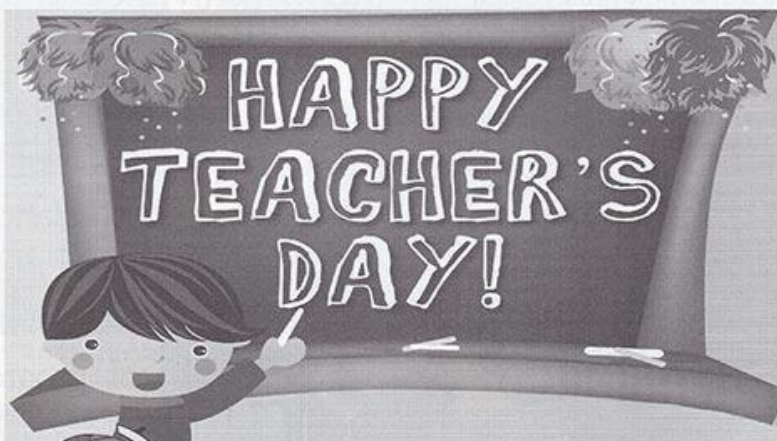


activities and competitions viz. Painting, Poster-making, Campus Clean Day etc. were organized to promote eco-friendly attitude among students. The school also celebrated Arbor Day on July 26th where saplings were planted by the babies i.e. students from Nursery class and the senior most Class XII students in and around the school to show concern for saving Mother Earth. The work was ardently carried on with zest by the young Nature lovers and wholeheartedly supported by Principal Dr. Mary Thomas, Vice-Principal Mrs. M.R. Claudius and Head Mistress Mrs. Shefali Egbert, Coordinators and teachers. They also pledged to work as an effective team to save our earth from being depleted of its greenery and its precious resources.

TEACHER'S DAY CELEBRATION

“GOOD TEACHING IS AS MUCH ABOUT PASSION AS IT IS ABOUT REASON... IT'S ABOUT CARING FOR YOUR CRAFT, HAVING A PASSION FOR IT AND CONVEYING THAT PASSION TO EVERYONE, MOST IMPORTANTLY TO YOUR STUDENTS.”

In today's world there is a paradigm shift in the approach of teaching-learning process and hence the role of a teacher has undergone a dynamic change where she/he not only acts as a mentor, guide or friend but also a philosopher and facilitator.



Teachers are the unsung

heroes of society. They are the ones who create iconic figureheads. For a child, a teacher is as important as a parent. Our students felicitated their teachers and acknowledged their contribution. A Special Assembly was organized to pay their solemn gratitude to their teachers on 3rd September, 2014. The programme commenced with the invoking of the Almighty followed by a touching cultural programme to make the day memorable for the teachers. The entire school was surrounded by a spirit of festivity and happiness. It was a day of delight for the teachers to see the plethora of talent displayed by their students on stage.

The Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas wished everyone on behalf of the School and Management and congratulated all the teachers in moulding and shaping the personalities of the young citizens of the nation. Joining hands with the Government, our teachers and students also witnessed the live telecast of the Honourable Prime Minister, Mr. Narendra Modi's address to the students late in the afternoon on 5th September. All in all, it was a great day and a fragrance of gaiety pervaded in the whole campus.



CHILDREN'S DAY CELEBRATION

"EVERY CHILD BORN INTO THE WORLD IS A NEW THOUGHT OF GOD, AN EVER FRESH AND RADIANT POSSIBILITY."



The greatest adventurer, the optimist, the visionary who laid the foundation of the modern India and didn't allow doubts or naysayers to slow down the wheel of progress, Pandit Jawahar Lal Nehru's birthday is celebrated all over the country as Children's Day for he considered children as the

most precious assets of a country.

Children's Day was celebrated with immense zeal and verve at Somerville School, Greater NOIDA as well. The programme put up by the teachers for their beloved students was power-packed with sensational performances, as each performance was worth savouring and was telecasted on Somerville Channel brought to the students exclusively by their teachers. Students' joy knew no bounds as they witnessed their mentors singing and dancing to entertain them. Speaking on the occasion, honourable Principal Dr. Mary Thomas blessed the students and encouraged them to follow the ideologies of Pandit Nehru. Later on, the students watched movies like 'Born Free', 'The Lion King', 'Puss in Boots' on the smart board. This is a day in the entire session when the students do not want to absent themselves.

Achievements



Kiran Nadar Art Gallery (Painting Competition)
1st position Muskan Gupta VIII-A



Kiran Nadar Art Gallery Consolation prize Sagarika Chakraborty IX-A
and Gravita Malik IV-A



Sakshi Sinha IX-C - Under 18 Lawn Tennis Greater Noida Stadium - 1st Prize



Lakshya Garg (X-A) 2nd Prize in Solo Junior Category - 'Swaram'
Music Competition at St. Thomas Mar Thoma Church, Karol Bagh



Lakshya Garg (X-A) and Angela Wilson (XI-A)-1st Prize in Duet- 'Swaram'
Music Competition at St. Thomas Mar Thoma Church, Karol Bagh



Lakshya Garg (X-A), Aditya Rathi (X-D), Karan Mohan (X-D)-1st Prize in
Quartet-'Swaram' Music Competition at St. Thomas Mar Thoma Church, Karol Bagh



Joshua Somar (III-D) 2nd Prize in Solo Sub-Junior Category-'Swaram'
Music Competition at St. Thomas Mar Thoma Church, Karol Bagh



Angela Wilson-3rd P-Angela Wilson (XI-A Prize-Female Solo-33rd
Anil Das Memorial Music Competition at Apostles Methodist Church, R.K. Puram

Reach for the sky...

Achievements



Angela Wilson (XI-A) and Lakshya Garg (X-A), 1st Prize in Duet-33rd Anil Das Memorial Music Competiton at Apostles Methodist Church, R.K. Puram



Lakshya Garg (X-A) 1st Prize in Male Solo-33rd Anil Das Memorial Music Competiton at Apostles Methodist Church, R.K. Puram



Joshua Somar (III-D) 2nd Prize in Solo Sub-Junior Category-33rd Anil Das Memorial Music Competiton at Apostles Methodist Church, R.K. Puram



Lakshya Garg (X-A) 2nd Prize in Solo Junior Category-33rd Anil Das Memorial Music Competiton at Apostles Methodist Church, R.K. Puram



Angela Wilson (XI-A) 3rd Prize in Female Solo-33rd Anil Das Memorial Music Competiton at Apostles Methodist Church, R.K. Puram



Lakshya Garg (X-A), Aditya Rathi (X-D), Karan Mohan (X-D)-2nd Prize in Quartet-33rd Anil Das Memorial Music Competiton at Apostles Methodist Church, R.K. Puram



1st Prize Group Song 'Swaram'-Music Competition at St. Thomas Mar Thoma Church, Karol Bagh

Winners all the way

Achievements



2nd prize - Pranay Yadav (VII-D), Chirag Sharma (VII-A)
Maths Utsav at DPS Greater Noida



3rd Prize - Toshita Agarwal (II-A), Sejal Agarwal (VII-C)
Chitralli Philatelic Exhibition



2nd prize Volleyball Match at JBM Global School, Greater Noida



1st prize - Chinmoy Rajput X-A, Bhumi Chauhan V-B for Athletics at JBM



Winners of W.C. Somerville Memorial Football Tournament



Highest Collection for Educare - Satwik VI-A



Rheanna Ghosh VI-D - 2nd Highest Collection for Educare

Path Breakers

Achievements



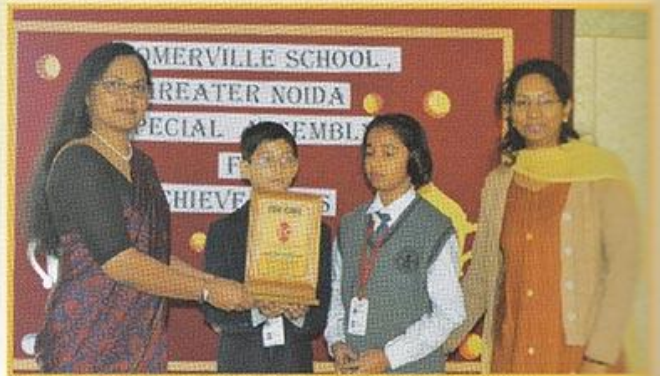
Ms. Nupur Gupta, Class Teacher (Class VII-C) - Highest amount Collection for Educare



Gouri Sharma (I-C) - Highest Collection for Educare



Ashish Swain (II-C) - 2nd Highest Collection for Educare



Class IV-A - Highest Collection for Educare



Father Agnel School - Inter School Christmas Carnival
2nd prize in Christmas Tree Decoration



1st Prize Winners of Nativity Scene at Christmas Carnival,
Father Agnel School, Greater NOIDA



Ayushi Sharma (V-A) at Father Agnel School, Greater NOIDA for
Christmas Decoration - 2nd Prize



Father Agnel School, Inter School Christmas Carnival,
Wreath Making Competition - Prachi Singh X-B, Aditi Chand X-B - 2nd Prize

Dream Chasers

Achievements



Father Agnel School - Christmas Carnival Group Dance - 3rd prize



Father Agnel School Christmas Carnival - Face Painting Competition
Pooja Sharma (VIII-D) and Disha Singh (VII-D) - 1st Prize



2nd Prize at Father Agnel School - Christmas Carnival - Bible Quiz
P. Paul Jonathan (VIII-D) & Joana Antony (VIII-B)



Father Agnel School - Christmas Carnival - Best Out of Waste,
Tanvi Bhardwaj (VII-D) and Shreya Singhal (VIII-B) - 1st Prize



Group Song Winners - Christmas Carnival at Father Agnel School,
Greater NOIDA



Over all Winners of the Christmas Carnival at Father Agnel School,
Greater NOIDA



2nd Prize Winners (Polka Dance) - Christmas Carnival at Father Agnel School,
Greater NOIDA



Winners of the Christmas Carnival at Father Agnel School, Greater Noida

Trend Setters

Achievements



Winners of Painting Competition by Times of India Group



Winners of Inter House Kho-Kho Match



Winners of Inter House Football Match



Western Music Choir 1st prize at Christmas Carnival at Father Agnel School



Western Music Choir 1st prize - Swaram Western Music Competition



Ayushi Sharma (2nd Prize) - Work in Unison
Apeejay School, Greater NOIDA



Winners at Frank Anthony School - Junior School Football Team



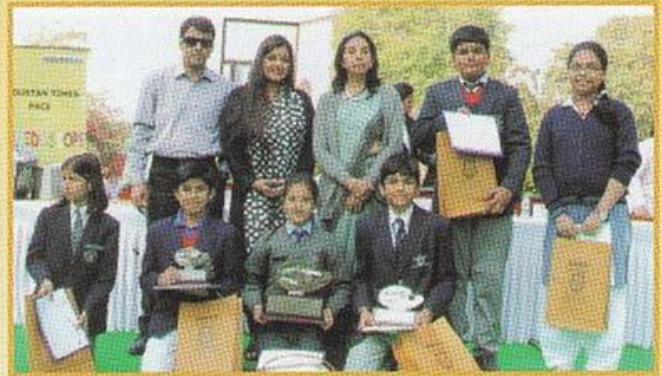
Pot Decoration (3rd Prize), Apeejay School, Greater NOIDA

Go Getters

Achievements



Ayushi Sharma (V-A) - Consolation Prize, Painting Competition organised by Hindustan Times



Winners of Painting Competition organised by Hindustan Times



Inter School Volley Ball Tournament organized by Greater NOIDA Authority - Runners Up



Top three winners of ITS Quiz - Aditya Harsh (XII-D), Himanshu Jain (XII-B), Rudraksh Gupta (XII-C)



Section Wise Winners of Classes X & XII of ITS Quiz 1st round (In School)



Winners of Shlok Competition Vishwa Bharti School, NOIDA



1st Prize Group Song - 'Swaram'- Music Competition At St. Thomas Mar Thoma Church, Karol Bagh

Only he who can see the invisible can do the possible - Frank Gaines

Achievements



Best performers of Inter House matches



Winners of Unified International English Olympiad



1st Prize Winners of Alphabet Race at Apeejay School - Noah Sahu (KG-D), Pratyush Gupta (KG-B), Naman Mishra (KG-C), Maahin Abeer (KG-B)



Ayushi Sharma (V.A) Consolation Prize for Painting Competition organized by Hindustan Times

Winners of CBSE Expression Series



Gargi Maheshwari IV-A
Cash prize of Rs. 25000 alongwith books on Gandhiji



Avni Choudhary IV-A
Cash prize of Rs. 2500



Reda X-D
Cash prize of Rs. 2500



Shalini Kumar XI-C
Cash prize of Rs. 2500



Sanya Monadeepa Claudius XI-D
Cash prize of Rs. 2500

Great minds have purposes, others have wishes - Washington Irving

Achievements



Britannia Conquest Quiz - 1st prize, Abhas Gahlot (IX-D) and Samridhi Singhala (Nur-B)



Round II Winners - Silverzone Computer Olympiad



Winners of Spectrum 2015 - Cambridge School



Winners at Khaitan Public School - Art Competition



Winners of Silver Zone Computer Olympiad



Winners of Hindi Olympiad

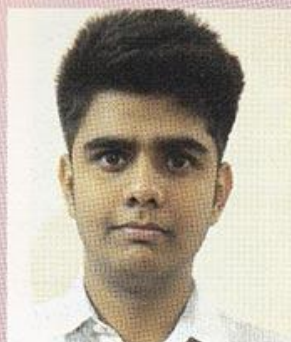


Winners of 'Conquest' Quiz Competition

Joy is in the battle. The result comes by the grace of God - Mahatma Gandhi

Senior School

My Experience As Head Boy



I joined the school in class two. I have fond memories of being asked by Mrs. Helen Harrison, our then Principal to write 'A cat has four legs.' She offered me an éclair and I have loved this school ever since.

I confess that I have been a difficult student. These grey corridors have been an integral part of my childhood and these 11 years, of being a student of Somerville is what my experience as a Head Boy is largely based on.

Apart from the obvious joy of being declared as the Head Boy I saw an opportunity to thank my school for nurturing me to be the person I am today.

With power comes responsibility and there were times when I had to face the dilemma of being a responsible member or be a good friend. I am happy that I chose the former. Events like 'EXPRESSIONS' taught me great managerial skills. It was something I was looking forward to, as I was sure that this test

of managing an event will really help me a great deal in not only gaining experience but also gain the much needed confidence which I lacked initially. I learnt how to shoulder responsibilities, act in discreet and strike balance between my studies and heading the student council for a graceful finish end. For which I want to thank my fellow council members from the bottom of my heart.

This post has taught me valuable lessons, helped me build a stronger character. I hope leaving this school is only the beginning of my growth and I carry with me the blessings of all my teachers as I step into the world as a proud SOMERVILLEAN.

Anubhav Khandwal, XII-B

Head Boy

My Experience As Head Girl

*"Ishani! Ishani!" - "Phew!!" Its sometimes difficult, you see Running around all the time, Tackling problems immediately.
(Wish I could use emoticons, To articulate my feelings more vividly.)*

I wonder if it's the same, With the others holding my position, After an eventful year, I sit back to analyze the situation.

Right from the time my name was announced by Principal Ma'am as the school's Head Girl, it has truly been a wonderful journey. Sure the journey has had its share of highs and lows, successes and near failures, praises and scoldings. That is what made it all the more interesting and adventurous. As it is, nobody ever claimed it would be a cake walk. But I have cherished each moment of it and would give anything to live it all over again.

It is hard to pin point the exact time, but it seems that I dreamt of becoming the Head Girl ever since I was little. Somehow, it had always seemed pretty much impossible until it actually happened. I have learnt two precious lessons in the process:

- (1) If you work hard then your prayers do get answered and;
- (2) Wearing the proper school uniform with the house badge, I-card and all does pay off.

Needless to say, being the Head Girl sometimes it became quite an uphill task to manage my studies along with various activities. It was exhausting and stressful but at the end of the day, I always had a sense of satisfaction which made it worth. The unparalleled satisfaction of being useful to the school which has given me everything, more than anything that a student could ask for.

I was fortunate enough to have the guidance of Principal Ma'am, Vice Principal Ma'am, Headmistress Ma'am, the coordinators, my class teacher and of course all my subject teachers. Their guidance helped me in making right decisions rather than acting impulsively and I was able to ward off unnecessary trouble. I do not know how things would have turned out without their timely help.

I just hope that I have been able to carry forward the legacy of our previous Head Girls who have been a great source of inspiration for me. I hope I was able to live up to their reputation and keep up to the benchmark set by them.

Above all, I would like to convey my heartfelt gratitude to the school and its honorable authorities who gave me a chance to work for the institution which is closest to my heart and will have my most sincere love and respect always.

Ishani Bhattacharya, XII-A

Head Girl



Junior School

My Experience As Head Boy

I joined the school in class nursery and my journey through the Junior School was fantastic. I had a wonderful experience being the Head Boy. When I was in class III my elder brother was chosen as the David House Captain. Inspired by him I did my best in the class. And my hard work helped me to become the Head Boy. When I heard this news that I was chosen the Head Boy, I was on cloud nine and I couldn't stop myself from sharing this news with everyone. But deep inside I knew that a great responsibility had been given to me and I had to carry it out with dedication. It was a mammoth task to head a team of council members, each being the best in their respective classes. I carried out my duties and responsibility with utmost dedication and sincerity. My team and I would not have done this without our dear teachers', guidance and support. This has been the best experience infact, one of the greatest I have ever had in my life. It has helped me to become more responsible, hard working and confident. But I didn't expect this to end so early, for now there would be no more duties on the staircase. But I am glad that I got an opportunity to get involved in the working system of the school and got to learn a lot. I would like to thank all the members of the student council who had been diligent in performing their duties. This experience would always stay with me as a fond memory.



Mannuj Tyagi, V-A

Head Boy

My Experience As Head Girl



It is a proud moment for any student to be a part of the Student Council. Our Principal Ma'am Dr. Mary Thomas, gave me this opportunity to be the Head Girl. I have learnt to be better disciplined and more attentive in my work. Being the Head Girl opened new vistas for me as I not only tried to abide by whatever instructions were given to the students but also saw to it that others did the same. It helped me develop leadership qualities. Being the Head Girl was an experience of a lifetime which I feel only a few people get. It has boosted my self-confidence tremendously and I have understood that the right kind of

attitude is very important when one is blessed with a responsibility. I am full of gratitude for Principal Ma'am and Head Mistress Ma'am who trusted me.

Riya Chaudhary, V-B

Head Girl

Investiture Ceremony - Junior School



The junior school choir presents a hymn



Head Boy - Manuj Tyagi V-A



Vice Head Boy - Austin John V-B



Head Girl - Riya Chaudhary V-B



Vice Head Girl - Aayushi Sharma V-A



Sports Captain - Ansh Chauhan VA



Vice Sports Captain - Kanishka Negi V-C



Daniel House Captain - Manya Baranwal V-A

The parliamentarians of our land

Investiture Ceremony - Junior School



David House Captain - Anusha Pandey V-B



Solomon House Captain - Rini Daniel V-B



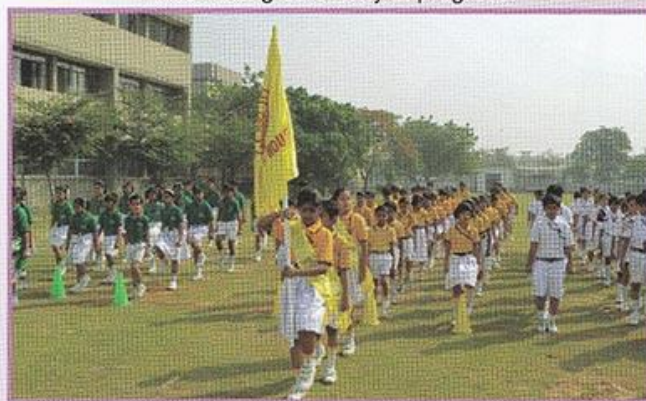
All set to take up the responsibility



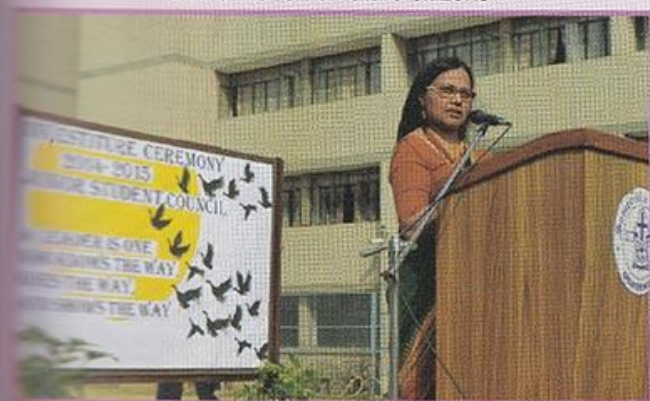
Oath taking ceremony in progress



La Formation of future citizens



Proud to be a Somervillian



Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas shares her message on the occasion



Newly elected council members with Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas

Our School Council

Investiture Ceremony – Senior School



Head Boy - Anubhav Khandwal XII-B



Head Girl - Ishani Bhattacharya XII-A



Sports Captain - Ayushi Rohela XII-C



Moses House Captain - Akshat Singhal XII-D



Daniel House Captain - Priye Roshan XII-D



Solomon House Captain - Ira XII-C



David House Captain - Karen Venessa Pennefather XII-B



Vice Head Boy - Srijan Chakraborty XI-B

We believe in you

Investiture Ceremony – Senior School



Vice Head Girl - Sanya Monadeepa Claudius XI-D



Head boy leads the school in a pledge



Moses House



Daniel House



Solomon House



David House



Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas motivates the students with her message



Newly elected council members with Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas

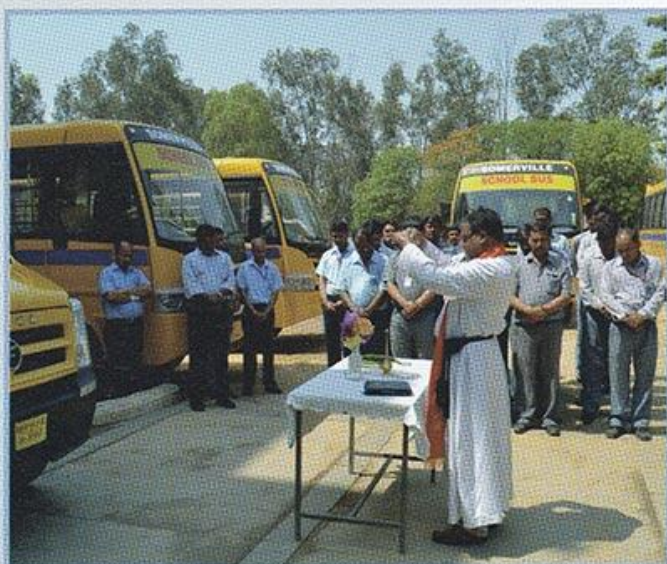
Forte of our little ones

Value Education Class



*The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom
- PSALM 111:10*

Blessing of new buses



*Prayers at the blessing of new buses in presence of Mr. Thomas T. Roy,
Secretary/Treasurer Lott Carey Baptist Mission in India,
Mrs. D.A. Tressler, Director, Somerville Schools and Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas*

**The Lord bless you and keep you;
The Lord make His face shine on you and
be gracious to you... - NUMBERS 6:24, 25**

PATRIOTIC WEEK

“At the stroke of the midnight hour, when the world sleeps, India will awake to life and freedom. A moment comes, which comes but rarely in history, when we step out from the old to the new, when an age ends and when the soul of a nation long suppressed finds utterance”, so said Pandit Jawahar Lal Nehru, our first Prime



Minister on the eve of India's Independence. We are fortunate to breathe in a free nation. Our school epitomized this sentiment as we celebrated Patriotic Week in the second week of August. We paid homage to the countless freedom fighters as we celebrated the 67th year of our independence. The students of

our school were filled with patriotism and love for the country. Our school presented mélange of patriotic activities which created an atmosphere of national pride. Hindi Street Plays were presented by the students of Classes VI-XII tracing the atrocities and difficult times faced by our countrymen before India finally won freedom at midnight on August 15, 1947 and also mirrored the evils still prevalent in our society from which we yet have to attain independence.

The Independence Day programme started on 15th August with the unfurling of the tri-colour by our Honourable Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas. Congratulating everyone on the occasion she talked about the role of education in empowering the youth so that they can hold the baton of government in their hands and take our country into a superior surging arena. The students showcased their commitment of heralding a new horizon for India by their soul stirring presentations of patriotic songs.

LIBRARY WEEK



“LIBRARY STORES THE ENERGY THAT FUELS THE IMAGINATION. IT OPENS UP WINDOWS TO THE WORLD AND INSPIRES US TO EXPLORE AND ACHIEVE, AND CONTRIBUTE TO IMPROVING OUR QUALITY OF LIFE FOR THE BETTER.”

Keeping up with this vision, we celebrated Library Week in the month of April for the students of Senior School wherein students recognized the essential role a library plays in shaping their future. Oodles of activities were conducted in the library for the learners providing them opportunities to showcase their innovative skills. They made beautiful and thought provoking bookmarks, wrote about their favourite characters, ended the famous tales with a twist, created their own stories etc. These activities not only brought forth the creative spark in students but also enhanced their writing skills. Students put on their thinking cap and participated in all the activities wholeheartedly.

Someone has rightly said, “A library is an island in the middle of a vast sea of ignorance.” Most of the books have the smell of an earlier time leaking out between the pages - a special odour of the knowledge and emotions that for ages have been calmly resting between the covers. Breathing it in, one can glance through a few pages before returning each book to its shelf for it fosters creativity.

ANNUAL DAY

"Creativity is... seeing something that doesn't exist already. You need to find out how you can bring it into being and that way be a playmate with God."

Our school celebrated its Annual Cultural Fiesta with grandeur extraordinaire on 22nd November, 2014 at the Nelson Memorial Auditorium, Noida. The students staged a musical titled, 'Aladdin and the magic lamp' that transported the audience to the fictional Arabian land of Agrabah. The show involved most of the students of the school in a spectacular performance



enriched with sublime music, resplendent costumes, magnificent set-ups, and mesmerizing dances.

The evening commenced with the illumination of the lamp by our esteemed chief guest, Mr. Thomas T. Roy, Secretary and Treasurer, Lott Carey Baptist Mission in India, Mrs. D.A. Tressler, Director, Somerville Schools in India as well as the Principals, Vice-Principals and Head Mistresses of our sister schools. Mrs. Monisha R. Claudius, Vice-Principal of the host school welcomed the gathering and invoked the Almighty seeking His blessings.

The Musical exhibited by our talented students awakened each individual to be selfless and unpretentious like the protagonist of the play, Aladdin. "Imagine if you had three wishes, three hopes, three dreams, and they all could come true." Wishes do come true but by taking action and not by rubbing a magic lamp and merely wishing. The audience appreciated the efforts of the budding actors. The mellifluous music of the School Choir was simply incredible and left everyone spellbound. A thunderous applause broke out after each dance studded with spectacular props, scintillating moves and immaculately dressed up performers. It takes a great deal of hard work to stage a performance of this quality but the constructive guidance of honourable Principal ma'am and Vice-Principal ma'am, dedication of the students and sincere efforts of the teachers made it a roaring success.

The programme rose to a final crescendo with the grand finale, the beautiful resonance lingering in the minds of everyone and finally with the vote of thanks by our beloved Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas.

EXPRESSIONS 2014

Art is an important means of self-exploration, self expression, spontaneity, imagination and exploration which are desirable components of promoting freedom of ideas.

"Talent is a vitality, a life force, an energy, a quickening that is translated through you into action, and because there is only one of you in all times, this expression is unique. If you block it, it will never exist through any other medium and will be lost." Abiding by this quote of Martha Graham our school organizes a cultural fiesta celebrating the expressions of the budding artists with a view to open channels for aesthetic and literary interactions among students from different schools and providing them a platform to showcase their forte because every talented human has something to express.

Artistic talent is a gift from God and must not go waste and 'Expressions' is one such carnival where a plethora of competitions are organised on different themes and genres. Expressions 2014 was inaugurated by Mr. Thomas T. Roy, Superintendent & Secretary/Treasurer and Manager Somerville Schools who did the honour of lighting the traditional lamp along with the Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas. The event commenced with English Debate followed by 'Vers Libre'-English Poetry Recitation. The ardent enthusiasm shown by the participants was duly encouraged by the eminent judges. The other highlights of the carnival were Informatics, Sanskrit Shloka Chanting, Dance and the enchanting Music gala (both Indian and Western) which enthralled one and all. The much coveted winner's trophy for best participation was lifted by Somerville School, NOIDA which is a true vindication of all the hard work they had put in.

'Expressions' is held every year to give an insight into our students' talents, opinions thereby igniting a hope for a better future. It gives us immense pleasure and delight to see the enthusiastic response that we get from schools and we shall continue in this endeavour of ours in the years to come.

FELICITATION TO PRINCIPAL MA'AM

"Commit your work to the Lord and your plans will succeed"

-Holy Bible

It was a moment of jubilation and pride when our beloved Principal ma'am Dr. Mary Thomas was felicitated in a glittering Citation Ceremony by members of the School Management, PTA and Staff for being conferred with the prestigious CBSE Teacher's award, this year. She was awarded by the Honourable HRD Minister Smt. Smriti Zubin Irani on 04th September at Manekshaw Centre, Delhi for her meritorious contribution to the field of Education. A cultural extravaganza was organized by the school in her honour. The ceremony was graced by the esteemed members of Lott Carey Baptist Mission in India who showered loads of congratulations on her for winning the coveted award. The applause which broke out in her praise was overwhelming. The programme began with the invocation of the Almighty. A state of tranquility and serenity accentuated the electrifying atmosphere when our Western Music Choir's mellifluous compositions resonated in chorus followed by fabulous dance performances which were highly applauded.

Ma'am has been an eminent educationist and believes in absolute dedication to the job and determination that whether we win or lose, we must apply the best of ourselves in the task. Our school has attained glory and carved a niche for itself in NCR under her able and conscientious guidance. There are four pillars on which one can build a platform to touch the horizons of success: determination, dedication, devotion and discipline and ma'am is an ardent follower of these principles. Ma'am has the capacity to translate vision into reality and rekindle our inner spirit. We wish her success in all her endeavours.

"May opportunities drive your way each day,

May they be in plenty forever we pray,

Good luck for your work and dedication,

We wish you achieve even bigger and get felicitation."

CHRISTMAS ASSEMBLY

*GOOD NEWS FROM HEAVEN THE ANGELS BRING,
GLAD TIDINGS TO THE EARTH THEY SING;
TO US THIS DAY A CHILD IS GIVEN,
TO CROWN US WITH THE JOY OF HEAVEN.*

---Martin Luther

Christmas is the time to give and forgive. It weaves a magic wand all over the globe and the world welcomes the birth of their Lord, Jesus Christ. We too at our school celebrated Christmas with much fanfare and gaiety. In keeping with the Christmas spirit, the whole



school wore a festive look and was tastefully decorated. The sweet little ones of Junior School made this festive season wonderful and colourful by presenting a skit related to the Nativity of Lord Jesus Christ followed by a dance and Christmas carols.

The chill was at its peak on 21st December but it could not diminish the enthusiasm of our students. The mellifluous carols presented by the Western Music Choir reverberated in the whole campus. Addressing the students on this happy occasion the Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas extended her greetings and advised the students to keep the spirit of Faith, Hope and Charity alive in their hearts as preached by Lord Jesus Christ.

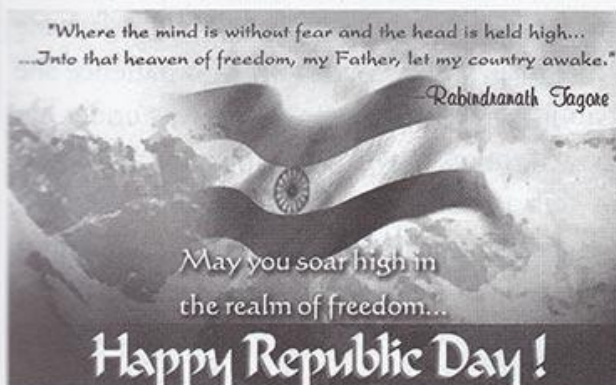
A VISIT BY OUR MISSION

On January 19, a foreign delegation of educationists and teachers of Lott Carey Baptist Mission, USA comprising of Rev. Dr. Emmanuel Goatley, Rev. Arlee Griffin, Dr. Angela Griffin, Dr. Lynne Blankenship Caldwell, Rev. Cornelius Wheeler and Ms. Amie McLain Carter visited our school.

The delegation took a tour of the school and interacted with the staff and students and were quite impressed with the cognitive and creative abilities. The school bubbled with enthusiasm when the visitors praised them. A Cultural Extravaganza was organized in their honour on 22nd January in Nelson Memorial Auditorium, NOIDA wherein the students of Somerville Schools, India provided them an insight into our Indian culture with their breathtaking performances which left the guests mesmerized. Addressing the august gathering Rev. Dr. David Emmanuel Goatley, Executive Secretary/Treasurer, Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Mission Convention, USA said, "It was an amazing, outstanding visit! The staff is so warm and hospitable. The students are bright and engaging. The Principals leading the fine institutions are doing a commendable job." He also stressed on the fact that one must go beyond their limits to achieve more than what one can.

This trip provided the delegation an opportunity to know about Indian culture, history, cuisine and mannerism. The guests relished the luncheon given in their honour. It was indeed a memorable and enriching experience for all present.

REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATION



Ignited with the spirit of freedom in our souls, faith in our minds, pride in our hearts and memories of the martyrs who sacrificed their lives and gave us an independent, socialist, sovereign and secular India, our School celebrated 66th Republic Day with a great zeal.

Dr. Mary Thomas, Principal unfurled the tricolour and appealed the gathering to sincerely strive in helping India touch the horizons of

success. A special assembly was organised by senior students glorifying the nation and also exhorted to ponder upon the evils prevalent in the country which need to be dealt on war footing. Patriotic songs were presented by the Indian Music Choir.

Reports by : Ms. Pooja Pathak



On Ma'am's Felicitation Ceremony

Quite recently, I came across a joke in the newspaper. It was in a question and answer format. The question was- 'Who should your best friend be at school?' and the answer was- 'The PRINCIPAL'. Most people would have laughed it off just like any other joke. But considering the kind of weird person that I am, who is barely bordering normalcy, this silly little joke got me thinking. Is it really possible that your school's principal could be your friend, let alone best friend? This put me in deep introspection and the only way I could find an answer to this question was by reflecting on my own past experiences. I was in the fifth standard when Ma'am Mary Thomas joined the Somerville family as the Headmistress of our school. One of our very first interactions during the Student Council selection interviews. As I stood outside her office, my nervousness knew no bounds. It was a mixed feeling of both excitement and anxiety. As I entered her room and greeted her, Ma'am simply smiled. There was something really magical about her presence because it made me forget all about my nervousness. I felt calm and composed. The interview went quite smoothly and I did not fret even once. Such was her presence which enabled me to become the Daniel House Captain. This was just the beginning of the wonderful things that were yet to follow. In the seventh grade, Ma'am encouraged me to participate in three English plays consecutively. In the tenth standard, Ma'am gave me the opportunity to be a part of our Western Music Choir. With immense patience she helped me tap into whatever little singing abilities I was blessed with. It was under her guidance and constant support that our choir went on to win numerous accolades and prizes. I was lucky enough to be a part of this amazing experience. In the years that followed, Ma'am helped me discover myself. She provided me with various opportunities to polish my skills and grow. She helped me realize my goals and fulfill my aspirations. It was because of her that I was able to become the Vice Head Girl and then the Head Girl this year. Coming back to the question- 'Can my school's Principal be my best friend?' The answer is- 'YES'. Ma'am has been there by my side for all these years, supporting and guiding me. She has been there to motivate and inspire. Most importantly, she has trusted and believed in me. This is what I am truly grateful for. Thank you Ma'am for believing in me. You have done wonders in my life.

---Ishani Bhattacharya, XII A



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PREPARATORY SCHOOL

April

2nd : The new session commenced for Nursery and KG with a prayer by the Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas.

29th : Red Colour Day was celebrated by the students of KG - A. The programme commenced with a prayer by Ms. Kathryn Mc'Intosh by thanking the Almighty for all colours which make our world so beautiful.

The 'Show and Tell' activity was conducted and the little ones spoke about various things that are red like cherries, pomegranate etc.

The class teacher of KG - A Ms. Arti Anand told the children about the important signs like fire, Danger, Stop which are red in colour due to its attention grabbing characteristic.

She also shared a few interesting facts about the colour Red, for instance:

Colour of heart, colour of life as it pumps in our body,

The highest arc of the rainbow

Colour which we lose sight at twilight and the fact that Bees cannot see the colour Red.

The programme concluded with a poem by the students of KG - A titled 'R-E-D'.

July

21st : Drawing and colouring competition was held for classes Nursery and KG. Following students won the colouring competition from class Nursery.



S. NO.	NAME	CLASS
1.	Vishwam Johri	Nursery A
2.	Vaishnavi Lather	Nursery B
3.	Aadvik Srivastava	Nursery D
4.	Kanav	Nursery C

Following students from Class KG won the prizes.

S. NO.	NAME	CLASS
1.	Pavithra Ramachandran	KG A
2.	Khushi Sharma	KG D
3.	Sanchita Singh	KG C
4.	Maahin Abeer Ibn Asif	KG B

23rd : Arbour Day was celebrated as a tree plantation festival. Children were told about the importance of trees and that trees provide us fruits, vegetables, wood, medicines etc. The tree plantation ceremony was held. The nursery children planted saplings of different trees and were encouraged to do the same in their homes.

Dr. Mary Thomas, Principal, Ms. Monisha R. Claudius, Vice Principal and Mrs. Shefali Egbert, Headmistress graced the occasion.

Inter section Indian Music Competition was conducted for class Nursery and KG, respectively.

Mrs. Alka Kapoor and Mrs. Sirisha judged the competition.

Mrs. Shefali Egbert, Headmistress, graced the event as the esteemed Chief Guest.

Class Nursery children sang the following songs:

Nursery A	'Hey Bhagwan...'
Nursery B	'Ek do teen...'
Nursery C	'Hum bacchey hain...'
Nursery D	'Phoolon se...'

Class KG children sang the following songs:

KG A	Teri hain zameen
KG B	Itni si hasi...
KG C	Ek chidiya ki shadi...
KG D	Vande matram



The Chief Guest announced the results and appreciated the efforts of the children.

POSITION**CLASS**

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| 1 st | Nursery D |
| 2 nd | Nursery C |
| 3 rd | Nursery A |

POSITION**CLASS**

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|-----------------|------|
| 1 st | KG C |
| 2 nd | KG A |
| 3 rd | KG D |

25th : July 25th was celebrated as Green Colour Day by KG B. The programme commenced with a prayer by Ms. Reema Gupta who thanked the Almighty for all colours which make our world so beautiful.

The students were dressed as trees to educate their classmates about Green Colour. It is the Green colour of the trees which helps them to make food with the help of sunlight and water. Trees provide us with many things like life giving oxygen, fruits, vegetables and keep our environment clean and beautiful.

Students also shared their knowledge about the significance of green colour in different symbols like:

Tricolour : In the Tricolour it signifies hope and prosperity.

Traffic light : It represents go

A sign on packaged food in green symbolizes that it is vegetarian.

Students talked about a few green things like:

Bird : Parrot

Amphibian : Frog

Insect : Grasshopper

Fruit : Grapes

Vegetable : Capsicum

Following important facts were also shared:

Green is the second most favourite colour after blue

It is the colour used for night vision goggles

It is made with the combination of yellow and blue.

It is often used as a symbol of sickness and jealousy.

The programme concluded with a poem : 'A Box of Crayons' by Shane De Roy telling us that all colours are equally important for us as stated in the following lines:



'Can you just imagine?
How dull the world would be
If just one single colour
Was all that we could see...'

- 28th : A special assembly was presented on the occasion of Id'ul Fitr. Students of class Nursery presented the poem 'Eid' followed by students of class K.G. who spoke a few sentences about Eid and delivered a message on this occasion. Students enacted how Id'ul Fitr is celebrated. The students danced to the tune of 'Chand Samne'.
Mrs. Shefali Egbert, Headmistress conveyed her wishes to the students on the eve of Id'ul Fitr.

August

- 14th : On the occasion of 68th Independence Day, the students presented a special assembly.
- 28th : The students of KG C celebrated Blue Colour Day. Blue symbolizes truth and peace. A short skit about a girl who was not aware of the magic which colours create in our lives, was enacted. Children also enlightened everyone present about different blue coloured things through the usage of beautiful props. The message to 'Save Water' was conveyed to the students.
The programme concluded with a game about blue coloured things.

September

- 3rd : Teacher's Day Celebration : The students put up a wonderful show of dance and music for their beloved teachers.
- 7th : Felicitation Ceremony was organized for Dr. Mary Thomas, Principal for being awarded the CBSE Award for teachers by the CBSE. The kindergarten students felicitated Ma'am.



25th : Yellow Colour Day was celebrated. Yellow symbolizes wisdom and happiness. It was celebrated by students of class KG D. The programme commenced with information about the source of light and energy, Sun which is yellow in colour and things like the tiger our national animal, Canary - a yellow bird and Maggie Noodles, Children's favourite snack.

The Programme concluded with the Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas' words of appreciation.

26th : Grandparent's Day: The children put up a small programme as a token of their love for them. Different games such as 'Putting straw in hair' were organised. Prizes for best dressed couple were also given.

October

21st : A special assembly was presented on the occasion of Diwali. The students spoke about the festival of lights.

November

14th : Children's Day Celebrations: The students were taken for a city tour on the occasion of Children's Day.

25 26th : Story Narration Competition: The students narrated value based stories. The prize winners from different sections of Nursery and KG are as follows:

RESULTS			
POSITION	NAME	CLASS	THEME
1 st	Ananya Sharma	Nursery A	Friendship
2 nd	Pratiksha Samal		
3 rd	Garima Sharma		
1 st	Nisaba	Nursery B	Sharing



2 nd	Ananya Arafat		
3 rd	Sumay Singh		
1 st	Neelabh Basu	Nursery C	Helpfulness
2 nd	Hargun Tuteja		
3 rd	Jacob Akkara		
1 st	Ahyaan Kakkar	Nursery D	Honesty
2 nd	Aarohi Mukhopadhyay		
3 rd	Abhi Mishra		
1 st	Chaitanya Sood	KG A	Obedience
2 nd	Pavithra Ramachandran		
3 rd	Shristi		
1 st	Umair Ahmad	KG B	Loyalty
2 nd	Akshansh Jha		
3 rd	Arunima Prasad		
1 st	Nitya Chhatwani	KG C	Respect your Elders
2 nd	Shreya		
3 rd	Manasvi Sharma		
1 st	Spandan	KG D	Forgiveness
2 nd	Dirgha Mishra		
3 rd	Abhiroop Srivastava		

December

19th : The students presented the play 'Just a Little Christmas'. The little ones of Somerville Preparatory School organised Christmas Special Assembly on 19th December. The children were told about the significance of Christmas through a Nativity play. The story of the birth of Lord Jesus Christ was told to them through this play. An angel dance was also presented on the birth of Lord Jesus Christ. A Carol Singing Competition was held where all sections of Nursery and KG participated. The programme ended with a message of Christmas by Vice Principal, Ms. Monisha R. Claudius and the announcement of results along with distribution of sweets for Nursery & K.G. Class. Results of Carol Singing Competition are as follows:



2 nd	Ananya Arafat		
3 rd	Sumay Singh		
1 st	Neelabh Basu	Nursery C	Helpfulness
2 nd	Hargun Tuteja		
3 rd	Jacob Akkara		
1 st	Ahyaan Kakkar	Nursery D	Honesty
2 nd	Aarohi Mukhopadhyay		
3 rd	Abhi Mishra		
1 st	Chaitanya Sood	KG A	Obedience
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3 rd	Shristi		
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POSITION	CLASSES	POSITION	CLASSES
1 st	Nursery A	1 st	KG A
2 nd	Nursery D	2 nd	KG B
3 rd	Nursery B	3 rd	KG D

January

23rd : Republic Day Assembly

The assembly began with a prayer for the country. The importance of Republic Day was told to the children. Children of class Nursery and K.G presented patriotic songs with enthusiasm. K.G children spoke about the national symbols and their importance.

The programme concluded with the speech by Headmistress Ma'am.

February

9th : Calligraphy Competition was held on 9th Feb. 2015. The winners were as follows:

POSITION	NAME	CLASS
1 st	Sargun Chhabra	Nursery C
2 nd	Zainab	Nursery A
3 rd	Ayush	Nursery B

POSITION	NAME	CLASS
1 st	Umair Ahmad	K.G. B
2 nd	Shreya	K.G. A
3 rd	Sarah Fatima	K.G. B

March

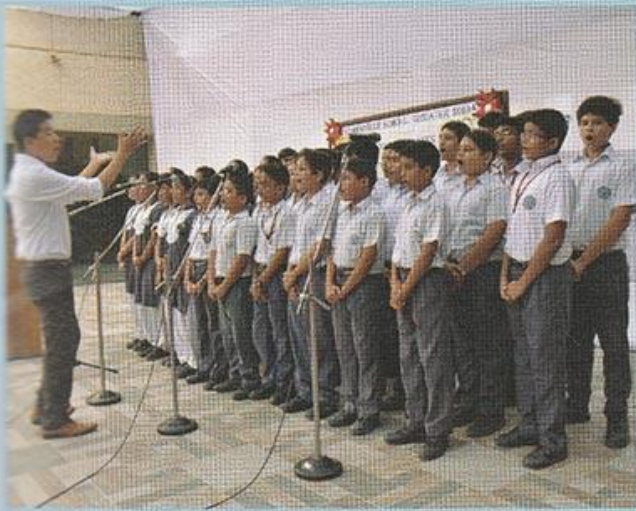
18th : English Recitation Competition for classes Nursery and K.G. was held on 18th March in the A.V. Room. The judges for the day were Primary School co-ordinators Shaheen Williams and Neeta Dutta.

The winners were as follows:

POSITION	CLASS
1 st	Nursery B
2 nd	Nursery D
3 rd	Nursery A & C

POSITION	CLASS
1 st	K.G. C
2 nd	K.G. B
3 rd	K.G. A

Principal Ma'am's Felicitation Ceremony



Full of gratitude for the Almighty - School Choir sings along



Mrs. Mary George, President LCBM in India congratulates Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas



Vice Principal, Ms. Monisha Roy Claudius and Head Mistress, Mrs. Shefali Egbert present a token of love to Dr. Mary Thomas



Staff Secretary, Mrs. Dimple Joseph congratulates the epitome of nobility, Dr. Mary Thomas

Felicitations to the fountainhead of all work

Principal Ma'am's Felicitation Ceremony



Mrs. D. A. Tressler, Chairperson & Director Somerville Schools, LCBM in India praises the Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas



An overwhelming occasion for Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas



Mrs. Annie Varghese and Mr. Abraham Daniel present a souvenir to Ma'am



All praises for Ma'am -
Parent Representative, Mr. Agnelo Rodriguez



Eminent guests of the day

An ode to the perfectionist

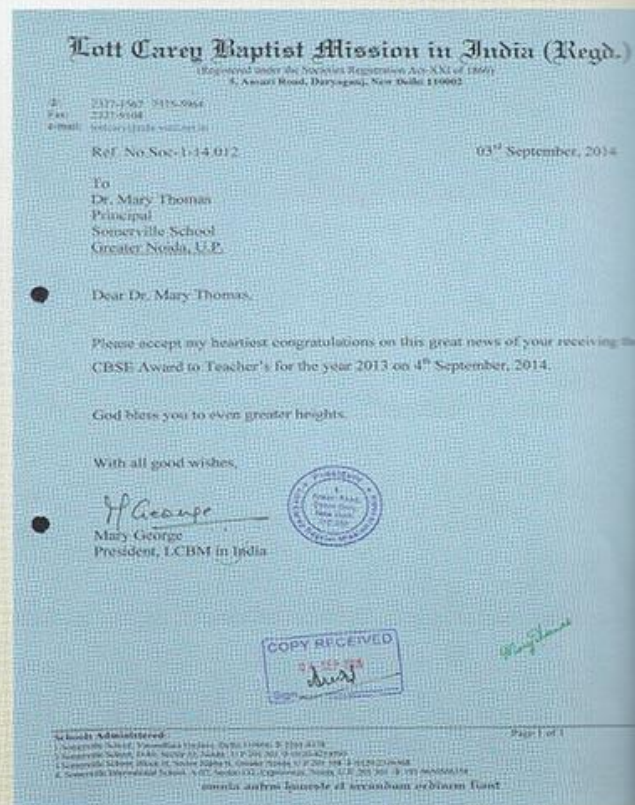
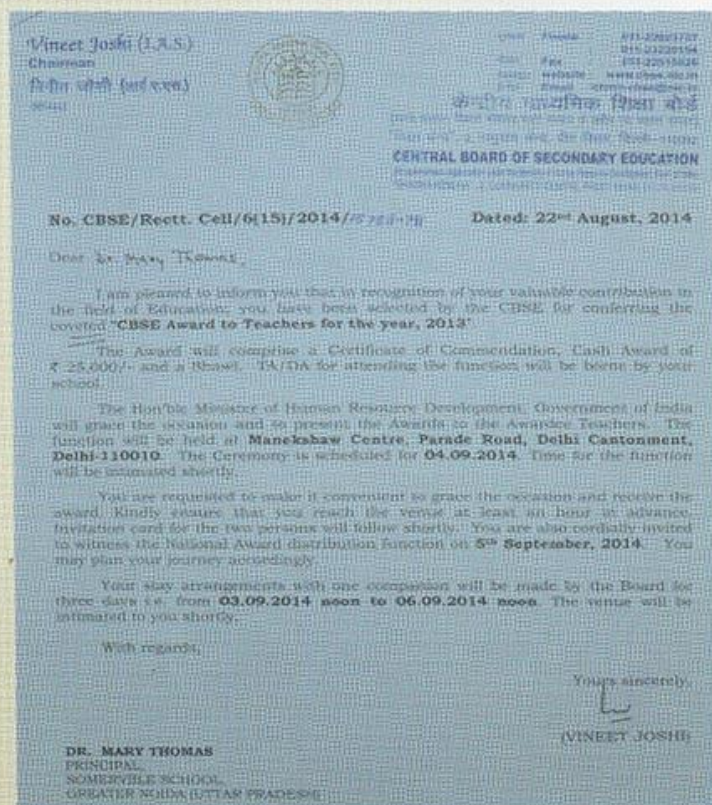
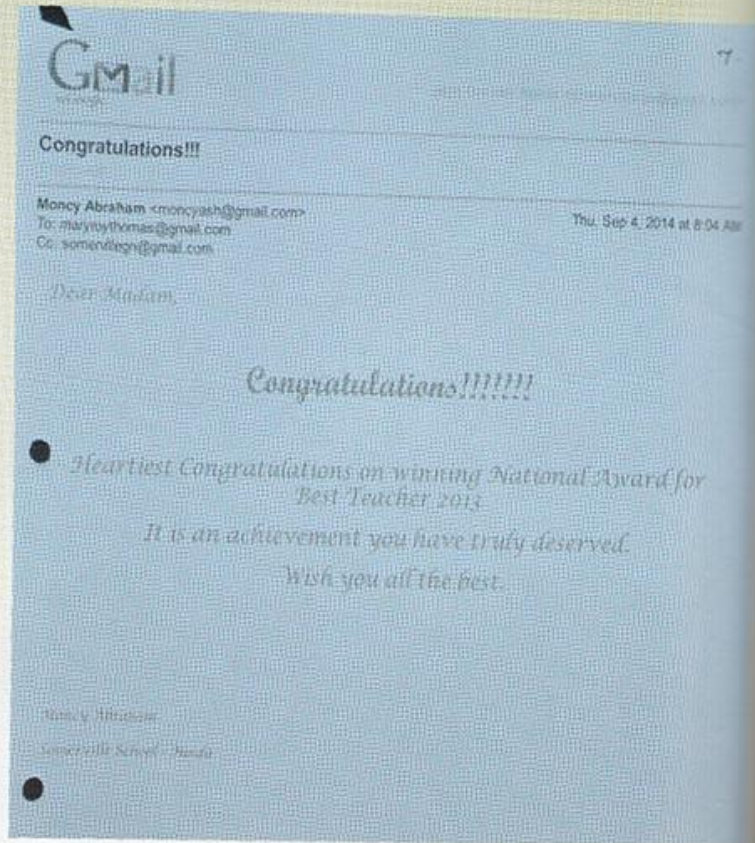
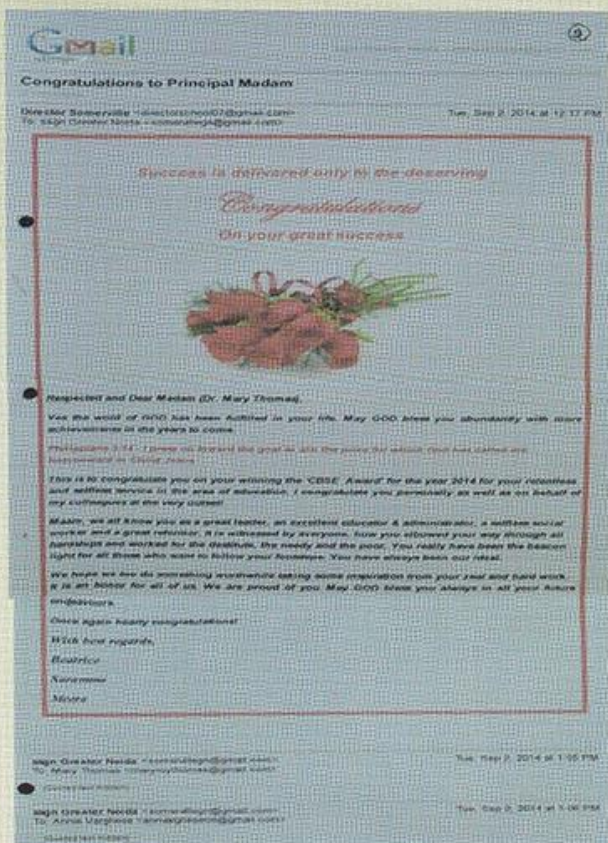
Mam's Felicitation Ceremony



Maa'am's Felicitation Ceremony

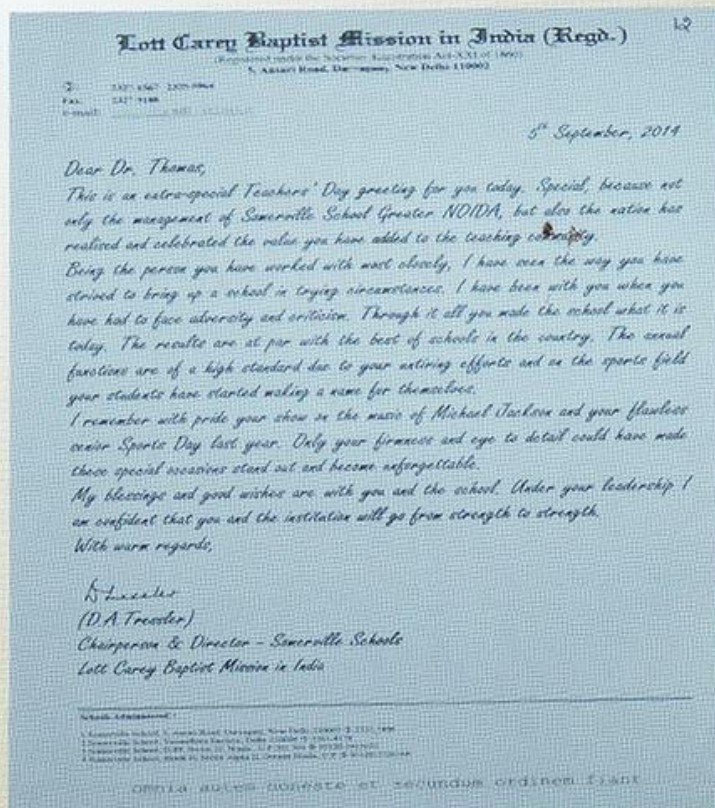
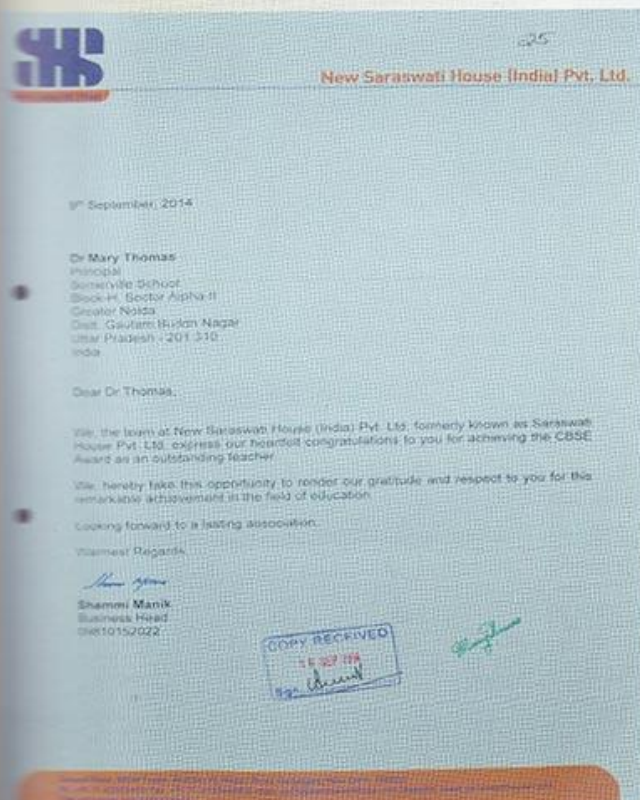
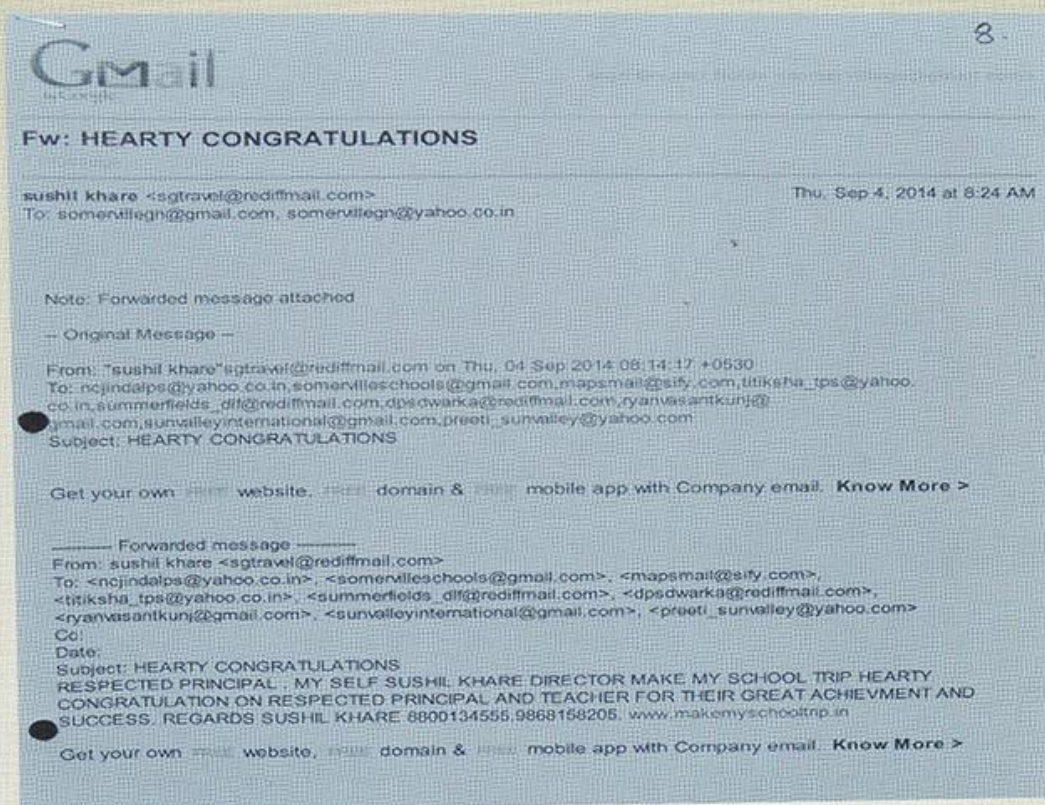


Congratulations to Ma'am pouring in...



**In everything give thanks : for this is the will of God
in Christ Jesus concerning you - Holy Bible**

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Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving; let us make
 a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise - Holy Bible

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शिक्षक वास्तव में राष्ट्र का गौरव : स्मृति ईरानी

केंद्रीय मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री ने दिल्ली में सीबीएसई शिक्षक पुरस्कार से 48 को किया सम्मानित

अनुराग शर्मा

नई दिल्ली। एक समय और राष्ट्र के विकास और भविष्य के सुखों को पैदा करने के लिए हमें अपने अंदर प्रेरणा देनी है। शिक्षक वास्तव में राष्ट्र का गौरव हैं। क्योंकि वे अपने छात्रों और समाज को प्रेरित करने में सक्षम हैं। शिक्षक वास्तव में राष्ट्र का गौरव हैं।

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Dr. (Mrs.) Mary Thomas
Principal
Somerville School
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Dear Mrs. Thomas,

On behalf of IIT PACE, Heartiest Congratulations on being conferred with the prestigious CBSE award for Teachers 2013 presented on the occasion of Teachers Day by the Hon'ble Union Minister for HRD, Shri. Sushil Kumar Modi.

The award is richly deserved, recognizing your tireless efforts and commendable work in the field of Education.

Please accept my sincerest greetings and good wishes on this momentous occasion.

With Best wishes,

Sincerely,

(Signature)
Anurag Sharma
Head - Education
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Principal Dr. Mary Thomas, Somerville School, Greater Noida received the CBSE Teachers Award 2013. She was conferred with the award by HRD Minister Shri. Sushil Kumar Modi at the occasion of Teachers Day at the Ministry of HRD, New Delhi. Dr. Thomas has been in the service of the Ministry of HRD, Government of India for 20 years. She has been the Principal of St. Thomas School, Ballarpur, for 10 years. She has also taught at St. Thomas School, Ballarpur, for 10 years. She has also taught at St. Thomas School, Ballarpur, for 10 years. She has also taught at St. Thomas School, Ballarpur, for 10 years.



Dr. Mary Thomas, principal of Somerville School in Greater Noida was awarded the CBSE Teachers Award by HRD minister Sushil Kumar Modi.

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The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in Him, and I am helped: therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth; and with my song will I praise Him - Holy Bible

Congratulations to Ma'am pouring in...

शिक्षा के क्षेत्र में मिला पुरस्कार

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Dr. Chaturvedi
Director

September 11, 2014

Dr. Mary Thomas
Principal
Somerville School
Block H, Sector Alpha II
Greater Noida

Madam,

We are delighted to know that you have been conferred the Best Teachers' Award by the CBSE. We have seen the reports from the local newspapers. It is a matter of pride for all the educational institutions of Greater Noida that you have been recognized for your great services to the cause of school education.

I congratulate you for this big achievement and wish you all the best for your future endeavours too.

With best regards,

(Dr. Chaturvedi)

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Dr. Mary Thomas (Principal)
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Greater Noida

Respected Madam,

Your Valuable contribution in the field of education has fetched you 'CBSE AWARD'. Its another feather in your cap.

Every Member of our team joins me to congratulate you heartily for this remarkable achievement and wish you may more recognition in future.

once again please accept our sincere congratulations on this occasion.

Warm Regards,

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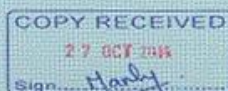
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On this occasion, it is our pleasure to congratulate you. Hope we shall be in constant touch with each other.

Regards,

R.C. Gupta
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CBSE Teachers Award 2013

Posted By Somerville School, Greater Noida



Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas, Somerville School, Greater Noida received the 'CBSE Teachers Award 2013'. She was conferred with this award by the Honourable HRD Minister, Smt. Smriti Zubin Irani on 4th September, 2014 at Manekshaw Centre, Delhi. Dr. Mary Thomas taught for 23 years in Kerala School, Canning Road, Delhi. Later she became the Principal of St. Thomas School, Indrapuram. She also taught as a lecturer in Jesus and Mary College, Delhi. She joined the Somerville family in the capacity of Headmistress in Somerville School, Greater Noida in the year 2006. She took charge as the Principal of Somerville School, Greater Noida in 2008. She was awarded Doctorate in Education by Jamia Millia Islamia University in 2011. Under her capable guidance the school has progressed and carved a niche in the field of education in Greater Noida.

**For great is His steadfast love towards us, and the
faithfulness of the Lord endures forever - PSALM 117:2**

Congratulations to Ma'am pouring in...

CBSE AWARDEES



Dr. (Smt.) Mary Thomas,
Pr., Somerville School,
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Subject: Congratulations to Dr. Mary Thomas

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Date: Wednesday, 3 September 2014 9:44 AM

Dear Dr. Thomas,
We hereby congratulate You on being conferred the prestigious And Most Coveted CBSE Best Teacher's Award for 2013!

Your contributions to the field of education are truly remarkable and appreciable!

We are proud of your efforts and passion which go a long way in transforming the citizens of tomorrow!

Many Congratulations and Happy Teacher's Day wishes

Best Regards!

Bhavya & Himanshu Arora
P/o. Akshita Arora
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Dear Dr. Mary Thomas

There are people
who strive to be the best...
And then there's
you who achieves it...

And this is something
worth celebrating!

Here's To You!

Congratulations!
hell done

Best wishes

H. Arora

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Somerville School, Greater Noida

Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas of Somerville School, Greater Noida, received the 'CBSE Teachers Award 2013'. She was conferred with this award by the HRD minister Smriti Zubin Irani on September 4 at Manekshaw Centre, Delhi. She joined the Somerville family in the capacity of headmistress in Somerville School, Greater Noida in the year 2006. She took charge as the principal of Somerville School, Greater Noida in 2008. She was awarded with Doctorate in Education from Jamia Millia Islamia in 2011.

**Praise the Lord, my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.
Praise the Lord, my soul, and forget not all his benefits - Holy Bible**

Pre-Primary Section Congratulates Ma'am



A salute to the pride of Somerville family



Preparatory school teachers and students with Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas



An enthusiastic performance



We love you Ma'am



Our Principal is the best

*Bestowing our affection on the quintessence
of gracefulness*

Celebrating 'No Tobacco Day'

Effects of consuming Tobacco



Painting Competition in progress on 'World No Tobacco Day'



Students write an essay on the harmful effects of tobacco



PRINCIPAL DR. MARY THOMAS, MOTIVATES THE STUDENTS ABOUT THE NOBLE CAUSE OF SPREADING AWARENESS ON 'NO TOBACCO DAY'.

We are vigilant

Celebration of Sanskrit Week

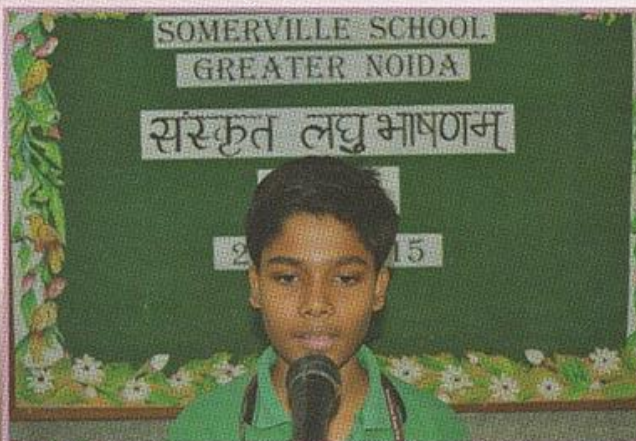
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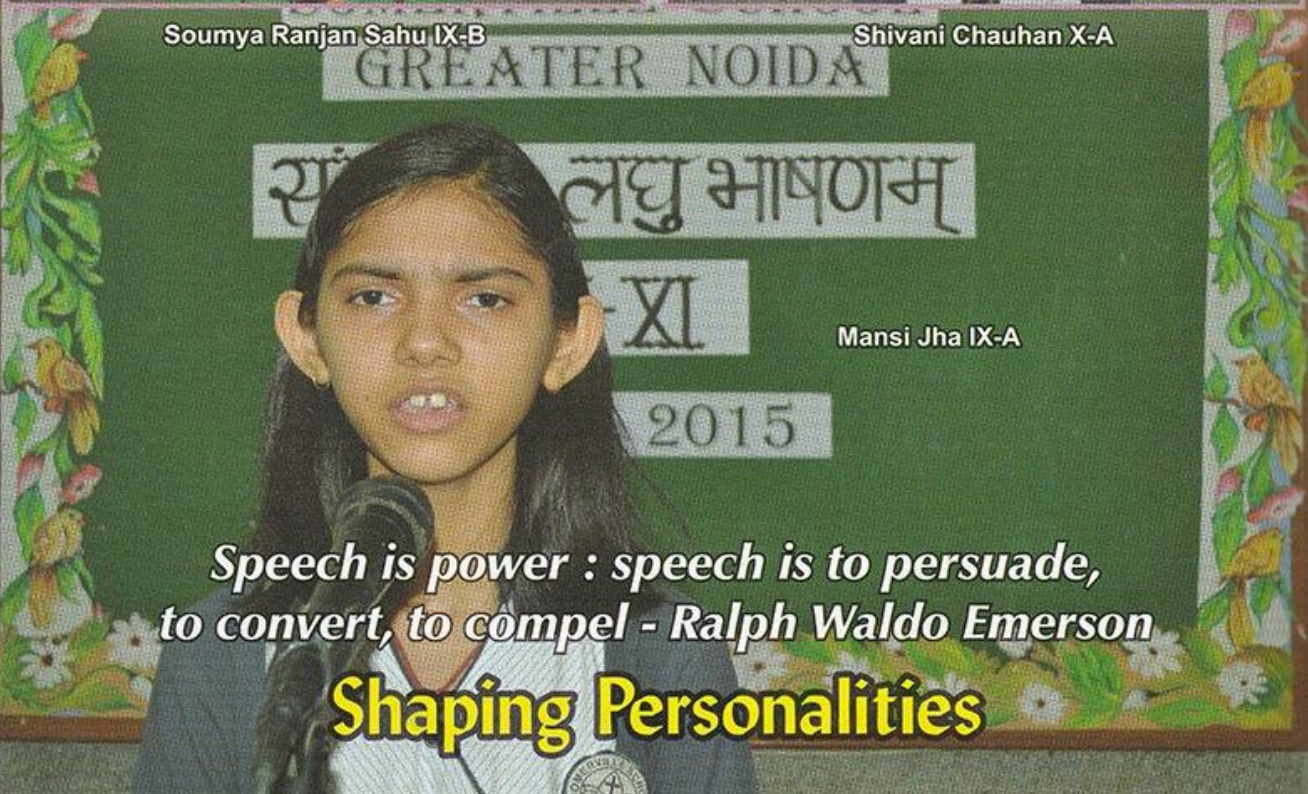
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Shivani Chauhan X-A



Mansi Jha IX-A

*Speech is power : speech is to persuade,
to convert, to compel - Ralph Waldo Emerson*

Shaping Personalities

Inter House Computer Week



Mrs. Rachna Agarwal
conducts the
Computer Quiz

Participants are
set thinking as
Rapid Fire Round
takes off



Web page designing
in progress

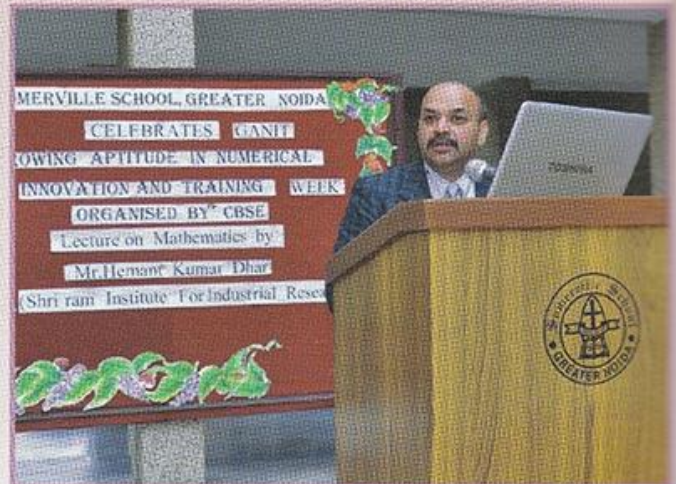


Ego Cogito Ergo Sum (I think, therefore I am)

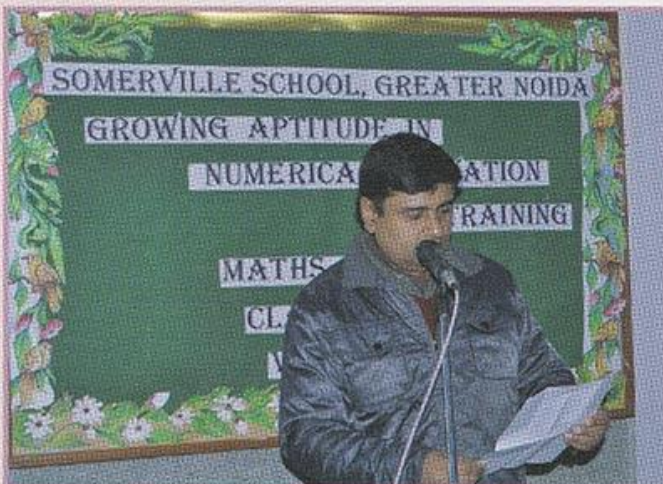
Celebrating CBSE 'GANIT Week'



Mrs. Vijay Rani Dogra takes the dais during 'GANIT Week'



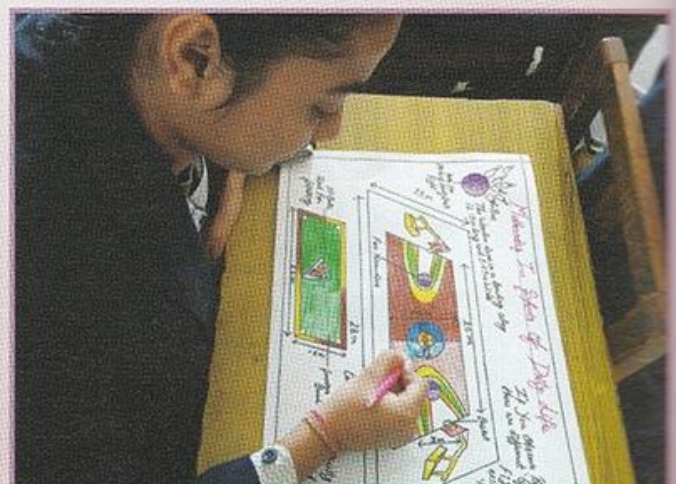
Mr. Hemant Kumar Dhar lectures during GANIT Week



Mr. Abhishek Mani conducts the Maths Quiz



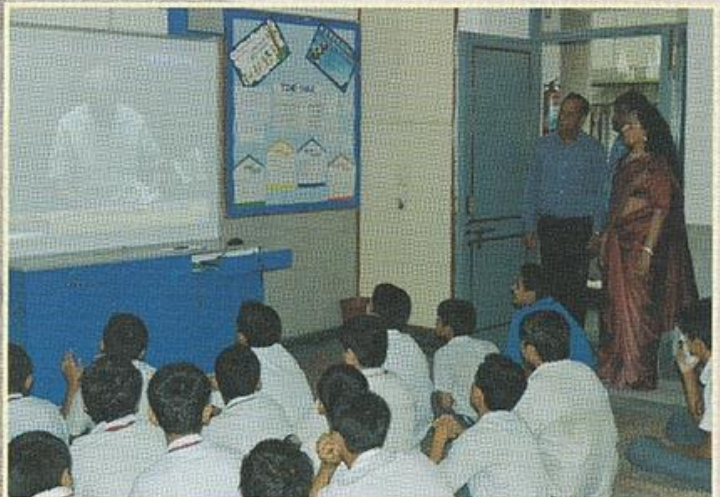
Participants of Inter-House Maths Quiz



Various activities during GANIT Week

The Secret of Confidence

Live Telecast of Honourable Prime Minister,
Mr. Narendra Modi's
interaction with school students on 5th September 2014



Students taking the Rashtriya Ekta Diwas Pledge



Taking Shape - to be pragmatic, congruent and true to oneself



Primary Calendar of Events

Almanac 2014 - 2015

April

The things you take for granted, someone else is praying for

1st : The new session commenced for classes I- V with a prayer by the Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas

11th : Inter Section English calligraphy competition was conducted for classes II - V.

RESULTS

POSITION	NAME	CLASS
1 st	Tarushi Singh	II C
2 nd	Damini Chandra Prabha	II A
3 rd	Mohd. Fizanul Haque	II D
1 st	Ananya Pundhir	III C
2 nd	Samaira Srivastava	III D
	Avishi Dutta	III C
3 rd	Kartikey Tiwari	III A
1 st	Vishesh Singh	IV C
2 nd	Tejasvi Sood	IV C
	Aarohi Gupta	IV A
3 rd	Jayati Shubhangee	IV D
1 st	Shivansh Banerjee	V A
2 nd	Shreya Paliwal	V B
	Aayushi Singh	V C
3 rd	Navya Goel	V D

26th : Hindi Calligraphy competition was conducted for classes II - V.



RESULTS		
POSITION	NAME	CLASS
1 st	Madhavi Kumari	II B
2 nd	Damini Chandra Prabha	II A
3 rd	Tarushi Singh	II C
1 st	Vidushi Singh	III A
2 nd	Avishi Dutta	III C
3 rd	Ayushi Singh	III B
1 st	Samarth Kanodia	IV A
2 nd	Ayush Chauhan	IV D
3 rd	Jayati Shubhangi	IV D
1 st	Arsh Srivastava	V B
2 nd	Shiven Upadhyay	V A
3 rd	Sherin Gogia	V C

10th : Students discovered their creativity through the Face Painting Competition. It was held under the guidance of Principal Dr. Mary Thomas, and Head Mistress Ms Shefali Egbert. Students from Classes III to V participated and came out with wonderful ideas. It was interesting to see their creativity and sensitivity towards nature. Ms Rimmi Soin and Ms Kathy judged the competition. The following students won prizes:

RESULTS		
POSITION	HOUSE	NAME OF STUDENTS
1 st	Solomon	Soumya Suresh, III C and Tejaswita Tiwari, III C
2 nd	Daniel	Charu Garg, III D and Anahita Sahu, III B
3 rd	David	Naina Kapoor, III B and Shourya Srivastava, III B
1 st	David	Gunjan Agarwal, IV A and Riddhima Gupta, IV A
2 nd	Solomon	Avni Choudhary, IV A and Akshat Sharma, IV A
	Daniel	Hemang Vats, IV D and Pratush Singh, IV B
3 rd	Moses	Vartika Singh, IV C and Divyaansh Ranjan, IV C
1 st	Solomon	Rini Daniel, V B and Shreya Paliwal, V B
2 nd	Moses	Tvisha.V, V A and Pulkit Antal, V D
	Daniel	Navya Goel, V D and Aayushi Sharma, V D
3 rd	David	Nandini Agarwal, V D and Shivam Guher, V D

15th : Inter Section Hindi Creative Writing displayed a palette of creativity through writing.



RESULTS

POSITION	NAME	CLASS
1 st	Damini Chandra Prabha	II A
2 nd	Deshna Singhai	II D
3 rd	Shreyanshi	II C
1 st	Divyansh Garg	III A
2 nd	Avishi Dutta	III C
3 rd	Anahita Sahu	III B
1 st	Avni Choudhary	IV A
	Tushar Ranjanwal	IV B
2 nd	Amie Mishra	IV C
	Mokshita Gupta	IV B
3 rd	Harshita Singh	IV D
1 st	Deepti Tripathi	VB
2 nd	Aayushi Singh	VC
3 rd	Kartik Tyagi	VD

16th : English Creative Writing Competition was organised for the students of classes II-V which recognised the potential of many students.

RESULTS

POSITION	NAME	CLASS
1 st	Tarushi Singh	II C
2 nd	Irene Jijo	II B
3 rd	Damini Chandra Prabha	II A
1 st	Vidushi Singh	III A
2 nd	Avishi Dutta	III C
3 rd	Titiksha Yadav	III D
	Kartikay Tiwari	III A
1 st	Bhumika Dwivedi	IV A
2 nd	Vishesh Singh	IV C
	Tejasvi Sood	IV C
3 rd	Samarth Kanodia	IV A
1 st	Shivansh Banerjee	VA
2 nd	Rhythm	VC
3 rd	Anusha Pandey	VB
	Rukmani Sharma	VC

22nd : Inter-Section Spellathon was conducted for classes III-V.



RESULTS

POSITION	CLASS	NAME
1 st	III A	Vidushi Singh, Lakshay Singh, Arya Tiwari and Swayam Singhai
2 nd	III C	Avishi Dutta, Krishank Ghosh, Kanav Sehgal and Tejaswita Tiwari
	III D	Joshua S. Somar, Poorna Bindal, Titiksha Yadav and Ayushi Mohanty
3 rd	III B	Naina Kapoor, Yashika Verma, Hamsini and Sara Merin Mathew
1 st	IV B	Kanika Dhingra, Shagun Solanki, Aditya Adhikari and Vyom Bali
	IV B	Jayati Shubhangi, Harshita Singh, Megha Sharma and Sahil Pradhan
2 nd	IV C	Tejasvi Sood, Ananya Chopra, Pratyush Singh and Rose Maria Varghese
3 rd	IV A	Avni Chaudhary, Aashirvaad K. Mishra, Aleena Rajeev and Riddhima Gupta
1 st	VD	Ishita Lohani, Shuva Chakraborty, Shreya Pal and Navya Goel
2 nd	VA	Ayushi Sharma, Anushka Sharma, Manuj Tyagi and Vaibhav Singh
3 rd	VB	Anusha pandey, Rini Daniel, Riya Choudhry and Devender Yadav

21st-26th: Library week was celebrated. Various engrossing activities were organised through which a plethora of talent was discovered

25th : Junior School Investiture ceremony was held where the newly elected members of the council pledged to discharge their duties efficiently with discipline and determination.
The Head Mistresses Mrs. S. Egbert welcomed school Principal Dr. Mary Thomas, the Chief Guest on this occasion. The ceremony began with a word of prayer and a hymn was sung after which the badges and sashes were pinned by the Chief Guest for the newly elected council members. It was a moment of pride for the new council members. This was followed by exchange of flags. The new flag bearers led their marching contingents for a march past. The school song was sung by the students. The ceremony came to an end with a message by the Principal.

30th : Inter Section English Group Recitation Competition was conducted for classes I-II.



RESULTS

INDIVIDUAL RECITATION

POSITION	NAME	CLASS	NAME	CLASS
1 st	Racheal Sharma	I B	Renee Sarah Williams	II D
2 nd	Rushil Ivan Egbert	I A	Irene Jijo	II B
3 rd	Satakshi Singh	I D	Damini Chandra Prabha	II A

GROUP RECITATION

POSITION	CLASS	CLASS
1 st	I B	II B
2 nd	I C	II A & II D
3 rd	I A	II C

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When you are good to others, you are good to yourself

2nd : Inter-House Indian Music Competition was conducted for classes III -V.

RESULTS

CATEGORY: SOLO

POSITION	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Avishi Dutta	III C	Solomon
2 nd	Anumeha Srivastava	V C	David
3 rd	Namami Pandey	IV D	Daniel

CATEGORY: INSTRUMENTAL

POSITION	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
HOUSE	Moses	Daniel	Solomon

CATEGORY: GROUP

POSITION	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
HOUSE	Daniel	Moses, Solomon	David

8th : Inter Section English group recitation was conducted for classes III- V.



RESULTS

GROUP POSITION	CLASS III	CLASS IV	CLASS V
1 st	III D	IV A	VD
2 nd	III C	IV C	VA
3 rd	III B	IV B	VB

SOLO CATEGORY

POSITION	NAME	CLASS	NAME	CLASS
1 st	Avishi Dutta	III C	Avni Choudhary	IV A
2 nd	Samaira Srivatava	III D	Tejasvi Sood	IV C
3 rd	Vidushi Singh	III A	Jayati Shubangee	IV D
1 st	Navya Goel	VD		
2 nd	Rhythm	VC		
3 rd	Khushi Choube	VA		

19th : Workshop for teachers by Educomp.

July

Real listening is a willingness to let the other person change you

18th : Inter-House Western Music Competition was conducted for classes III -V. The beautiful songs selected by the House Mistresses were apt and it was a treat to hear the young ones sing melodiously. The participants were guided and trained by the house mistresses with the help of Western Music teachers. Ms Libina Alex and Ms Surbhi Mehra judged the competition and praised the participants.

RESULTS

CATEGORY SOLO SONG

POSITION	HOUSE	NAME
1 ST	Solomon	Joshua Somar, III D
2 ND	Moses	Daniel Awana, V C
3 RD	David	Pobitro Bhattacharya, IV C

CATEGORY GROUP SONG

POSITION	HOUSE
1 st	Moses House



2nd Daniel House
3rd David House

21st -25th : Environment week was observed to sensitise students and create awareness to the needs of the environment. Various activities were conducted for classes I - V.

22.07.14 Inter Section Painting Competition

23.07.14 Tree Plantation Campaign

25.07.14 Skit On Environment & Essay Writing Competition on 'Sparrow : A Beautiful And Social Creature'.

Display Boards on the following topics were prepared:

Pictures of Important Birds

Pictures of Medicinal Plants

23rd : Arbour Day was celebrated. Each one vowed to keep our planet Earth clean and green and to step forward to preserve it. A Tree Plantation Ceremony was conducted by the Eco Club Members.

30th : Inter Section Hindi Group Recitation Competition was conducted for classes I-II. The results are as follows:

RESULTS

GROUP RECITATION

POSITION	CLASS	CLASS
1 st	I B	II D
2 nd	I A	II B
3 rd	I C	II A

INDIVIDUAL RECITATION

POSITION	NAME	CLASS	NAME	CLASS
1 st	Pragadhb Dwivedi	I C	Saachi Gupta	II D
2 nd	Arjun Gupta	I B	Yash Agarwal	II B
3 rd	Satakshi Singh	I D	Tarushi Singh	II C

31st : Inter section Hindi group recitation was conducted for classes III-V. Results of the competition are as follows:

GROUP RECITATION

POSITION	CLASS	CLASS	CLASS
1 st	III D	IV D	V B

2 nd	III A	IV C	V C
3 rd	III C	IV A	V A

INDIVIDUAL RECITATION

POSITION	NAME	CLASS
1 st	Tejaswita Tiwari	III C
2 nd	Avaljot Arora	III D
3 rd	Swayam Singhai	III A
1 st	Avni Chaudhary	IV A
2 nd	Amie Mishra	IV C
3 rd	Harshita Singh	IV D
1 st	Rini Daniel	V B
2 nd	Udit Singh	V A
3 rd	Navya Garg	V D



**Plant flowers in others' gardens and your
life becomes a bouquet**

- 11th-14th: Patriotic week was celebrated to kindle the spirit of Patriotism in students. A Street Play in Hindi was staged by the students.
- 14th : On the occasion of the 68th Independence Day, the students presented a special assembly.
- 15th : Dr. Mary Thomas, Principal hoisted the National Flag and delivered a special address. The Junior school choir sang patriotic songs.
- 20th : A costume parade was held on 20th August 2014 in the AV Room. Students of classes III-V participated in the event. Different themes were given to each class and students were dressed accordingly. The theme and result of the competition are as follows:

THEME : FREEDOM FIGHTERS OF INDIA

POSITION	NAME	CLASS
1 st	Kumar Sshalabh	V A



2 nd	Akansha Srivastava	VA
3 rd	Pranjal Mishra	VA

THEME : FAMOUS SPORTS PERSONALITIES

POSITION	NAME	CLASS
1 st	Riya Choudhary	VB
2 nd	Austin John	VB
3 rd	Bodhika Anand	VB

THEME : COSTUMES OF NORTH-EASTERN STATES

POSITION	NAME	CLASS
1 st	Rhythm	VC
2 nd	Devansh Sirdhana	VC
3 rd	Alisha Awana	VC

THEME: MEMBERS OF THE PARLIAMENT

POSITION	NAME	CLASS
1 st	Kartik Tyagi	VD
2 nd	Tanya Rangarajan	VD
3 rd	Shivam Guher	VD

THEME: HOME APPLIANCES

POSITION	NAME	CLASS
1 st	Avni Choudhary	IVA
2 nd	Akshat Sharma	IVA
3 rd	Riddhima Gupta	IVA

THEME : HEALTHY FOOD

POSITION	NAME	CLASS
1 st	Mokshita Gupta	IVB
2 nd	Athrav Singh	IVB
3 rd	Lakshaya Mishra	IVB

THEME: FAST FOOD ITEMS

POSITION	NAME	CLASS
1 st	Pobitro Bhattacharya	IVC
2 nd	Ananya Chopra	IVC
	Prathyush Singh	IVC
3 rd	Amal Ranjan	IVC

THEME : HOME CARE PRODUCTS



POSITION	NAME	CLASS
1 st	Jayati Shubhangi	IV D
2 nd	Megha Sharma	IV D
3 rd	Prithvi Singh Chauhan	IV D

THEME : GODS AND GODDESSES

POSITION	NAME	CLASS
1 st	Sheeba Ahmed	III A
	Nishant Krishnan	III A
2 nd	Maharishi Ghosh	III A
3 rd	Satvik Nigam	III A

THEME: FAIRY TALES

POSITION	NAME	CLASS
1 st	Samarveer	III B
2 nd	D. Hamsini	III B
3 rd	Yashika Verma	III B
	Anahita Sahu	

THEME : PUPPETS

POSITION	NAME	CLASS
1 st	Krishank Ghosh	III C
2 nd	Tejaswita Tiwari	III C
3 rd	Manvendra Singh	III C
	Kanav Sehgal	III C

THEME : CHARACTERS OF PANCHTANTRA TALES

POSITION	NAME	CLASS
1 st	Charu Garg	III D
2 nd	Shreya Jain	III D
	Ayushi Mohanty	III D
3 rd	Khush Singh	III D

27th : Lecture 'Breast Cancer Awareness' by Dr. Manju Gupta, Jaypee Hospital for the teachers was held in the AV Room.

30th : Inter House Origami Competition was held for classes IV- V. Under the able guidance of Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas and Head Mistress Ms Shefali Egbert. Various topics like treasure box, planets and stars, tribal masks, lanterns, sea shore, fairy tale castle, farm scene and nature creatures were given. It was interesting to see the children fold paper to create new forms from it.



Children from the four houses participated. Results are as follows:

RESULTS			
POSITION	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Rahul Pratap Singh	V C	Solomon
	Vaibhav P Singh	V C	Solomon
2 nd	Ginni Sharma	V B	Moses
	Ayushi Garg	V B	Moses
3 rd	Ishita Lohani	V D	Daniel
	Shreya Pal	V D	Daniel
1 st	Avni Chaudhary	IV A	Solomon
	Ronit Chaudhary	IV A	Solomon
2 nd	Aayushi Nagar	IV B	Solomon
	Aditya Adhikari	IV B	Solomon
3 rd	Pratyush Singh	IV C	David
	Abhishek Jaiswal	IV C	David

September

Don't get discouraged, it's usually the last key in the bunch that opens the lock

3rd : Teacher's Day Celebrations-The students put up a wonderful show of dance, drama and music. As a token of love and respect the students presented handmade cards to Dr. Mary Thomas, Principal and their teachers.

5th : A warm reception ceremony was organised for Dr. Mary Thomas, Principal on being conferred the Best Teacher's Award by the CBSE. The students viewed the Interactive session with Prime Minister, Mr. Narendra Modi.

9th : The much awaited Inter-House English Play Competition was held for classes III-V where students displayed their fine acting skills. The results of the competition are as follows:

The theme was 'AESOP'S FABLES'

Each house selected a fable to be staged for the competition.

Daniel House	:	The Boy Who Cried Wolf
David House	:	The Farmer, His Son And The Donkey



Moses House : There Is No End To Wishes
Solomon House : The Goose Who Laid Golden Eggs

The competition was judged by Mrs Nupur Srivastava and Mrs Libina Alex.

Dr. Mary Thomas appreciated the hard work of the students. The results are as follows:

1st POSITION	2nd POSITION	3rd POSITION
Moses House	David House	Solomon House

17th : Inter Class Sudoko Competition was held for classes III- V in the AV Room. Ms Gowri Ravindaran and Ms Vijay Rani Dogra judged the competition. Two students each from Classes III -V participated in the competition. Class III were given mini Sudoku to fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 2 × 3 box accommodates the digits 1- 6 without repeating any. Class IV and Class V were given Sudoku to fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3 × 3 box accommodates the digits 1 - 9 without repeating any.

Time limit given to the students was 30 minutes. Results are as follows:

POSITION	NAME	CLASS
1 st	Nishant Krishnan	III A
2 nd	Aditya Anand Sachin	III C
3 rd	Disha Tripathi	III C
1 st	Megha Sharma	IV D
2 nd	Pratyush Singh	IV D
3 rd	Divyansh Ranjan	IV C
1 st	Arsh Srivastava	VB
2 nd	Sneha	VC
3 rd	Shreya Paliwal	VB

18th : Inter House Quiz Competition was held for classes III - V in the A V Room. Each house had three participants from classes III, IV and V. Quiz consisted of the following five rounds:
Round I : Multiple Choice Questions
Round II : Pick up the chit
Round III : Visual Round
Round IV : Fun Time
Round V : Rapid Fire
Three participants from classes III-V participated in the competition. Results of the competition are as follows:

RESULTS

POSITION	HOUSE	PARTICIPANTS	CLASS
1 st	Solomon	Savani Agarwal	V A
		Avni Choudhary	IV A
		Krishank Ghosh	III C
2 nd	David	Arsh Srivastava	V B
		Pobitro Bhattacharya	IV C
		Kanav Sehgal	III C
3 rd	Moses	Mirnal Gupta	V D
		Jayati Shubhangee	IV D
		Yashika Verma	III B

23rd : 'Spin A Yarn' Story Telling Competition for classes I- II was conducted.

POSITION	NAME	CLASS
1 st	Snigdha P. Nair	I C
2 nd	Charvi	I A
3 rd	Vaaruni Choudhary	I A
1 st	Saachi Gupta	II D
2 nd	AnushaPoddar	II A
3 rd	Parth Srivastava	II D

24th : 'Spin A Yarn' Story Telling Competition for classes III-V was conducted.

POSITION	NAME	CLASS
1 st	Ayushi Mohanty	III D
2 nd	Kartikey Tiwari	III A
3 rd	YashikaVerma	III B
1 st	Tejasvi Sood	IV C
2 nd	Avni Chaudhary	IV A
	AnnanyaChopra	IV C
3 rd	Harshita Singh	IV D
1 st	Arsh Srivastava	V B
2 nd	Aayushi Sharma	V A
3 rd	Rukmani Sharma	V C
	Shuva Chakraborty	V D



October

You must be the change you wish to see
in the world

1st : A special assembly was presented by the students to celebrate Dussehra. Swachh Bharat Swachh Vidyalaya Campaign was organized from 2nd October 2014 - 15th October, 2014.

"The meanest of us should know the value of sanitation and hygiene. Overcrowding should be stamped out from our midst. We should freely let in sunshine in air. In short we should ingrain into our hearts the English saying that cleanliness is next to godliness."

Indian opinion 30.04.1904

From the collected works of Mahatma Gandhi

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Students of classes I-V participated enthusiastically in the Swachh Bharat Swachh Vidyalaya Campaign to promote awareness about sanitation and hygiene.

7th : Swachh Bharat Abhiyan to accomplish the vision of 'Clean India' started by our Prime Minister Mr. Narendra Modi was observed enthusiastically in our school. A number of activities were conducted.

Class I Awareness of Personal Hygiene

The students were taught the right way of washing their hands. Importance of maintaining personal hygiene was stressed on. Students pasted wrappers of personal utility items, used to maintain personal hygiene.

Class II Dental Care

Modules showing structure of tooth and right way of brushing teeth were shown to the children. The importance of maintaining oral care was explained to them by the teachers.

Class III Prevention of Malaria / Dengue

A presentation on 'What is Dengue?' was shown to the children. The problem of breeding grounds for mosquitoes in stagnant water was discussed. Students of class III went out and sprinkled kerosene and disinfectants on stagnant water.

Class IV Sanitation- Cleaning of Drinking Areas

Students of class IV cleaned the drinking areas. They mopped, swept and cleaned the floors. The tiles and water coolers were also cleaned by the students.

Class V Keep Your School Clean Drive

Students of class V took the pledge of keeping the school clean. They cleaned



their classrooms, corridors, staircases and playgrounds.
All the students shared their views with each other.

9th October 2014, Thursday

Students of classes I - V wrote about the things which they refuse to do, so that cleanliness can be maintained. They also expressed their views on the importance of maintaining cleanliness in their surroundings.

10th October 2014, Friday

Children of class I - V wrote an essay on 'Your best friend always litter around the desk. What can you do to motivate her/him to stop littering?'

Students came up with their own ideas and also how they would set an example by adopting cleanliness.

13th October 2014

Students expressed their views in the form of posters, essays and poems.
'How can I make a difference in the effort to achieve clean India?'

14th October 2014

Topic : How can you convince your parents to practice 'Simple living and high thinking'?

The topic was given to the children and they made pictures, wrote essays and poems on it. They pledged to follow the same by not demanding expensive things.

15th October 2014

Topic : Plan with your teachers how to spend two hours per week in Shramdaan and cleanliness activities.

Every class discussed about various ways of making shramdaan effective.

A planner was made by each class to carry out those activities under the guidance of their respective class teachers.

The activities held during the campaign helped the students realize the importance of cleanliness not only of their surroundings but also of the mind and the body. They also realized that by doing simple things our country can become clean.

21st : A special assembly was presented by the students to celebrate Diwali.

28th-31st: The Annual Inter School Carnival of events 'Expressions 2014' was hosted by our school. A magical display of talents was exhibited by students of various schools.



November

There is nothing stronger in the world
than gentleness

- 14th : A Special Assembly was held on 14th November to celebrate the joyous occasion of Children's Day. The teachers presented an enthralling assembly which delighted the students
- 11th : Britannia Quiz was held for classes Nursery to XII

December

From caring, comes courage

- 11th - 19th: A farm visit was organized for the students of class IV to V as part of their EVS project. They visited the following places:

- Nursery
- Agriculture farm
- Dairy farm
- Garden

The visit was to understand the conditions necessary for growing plants. They also understood steps of farming and tools used.

Cattle rearing and its importance was also explained. While visiting the places the students took great interest in the ways plants are taken care of. They also asked questions about farming and irrigation. The objectives were achieved as the students learnt more about farming and growing plants.

G A N I T : Ganit week was organised (Growing Aptitude In Numerical Innovations And Training) on Ramanujan's Birthday (22nd Dec 1887). Celebration Week, 11th Dec — 19th Dec' 2014 for classes I to V. The results are as follows:

POSITION	TEAM	PARTICIPANTS	CLASS
1 st	A	Paridhi Goel	VA
		Avni Choudhary	IVA
		Anjoorie Sinha	III A
2 nd	B	Arsh Srivastava	VB
		Kanika Dhingra	IVB
		Yashika Verma	III B



3 rd	D	Shreya Pal	VD
		Rudraksh Dixit	IV D
		Ayaan Verma	III D
4 th	C	Avinash Bhati	VC
		Divyansh Ranjan	IV C
		Aditya Anand Sachin	III C

20th : Christmas celebrations took place in the school premises. Nativity scene was presented and carols were sung by students and teachers in praise of Lord Jesus Christ.

January

A Goal without a Plan is just a Wish

20th : Inter House Computer Quiz for classes III-V was held. Computer quiz was conducted by Ms. Sunita Bandhopadhyay and assisted by Ms Neeta Dutta. There were four groups of four houses. Each group had one child each from classes III, IV and V. The Quiz had four rounds :

1. Question Round
2. Multiple Choice Round
3. Reasoning Skill Test
4. Rapid Fire Round

RESULTS

POSITION	HOUSE
1 st	Daniel
2 nd	David
3 rd	Solomon

26th : A special assembly was held as part of the Republic Day Celebrations.

February

There is no substitute for hard work

21st : Somerville School Greater NOIDA celebrated its Junior Sports Meet 'LAUREOLA 15' on 21st February 2015. The programme began with a word of



prayer followed by the march past. Chief guest Mr. Thomas T. Roy Secretary/Treasurer Lott Carey Baptist Mission declared the Sports Meet open by lighting the torch. Beautiful drills were presented by classes Nur - V. Students participated in the races with great zeal and enthusiasm and showed good team work and co-ordination. Class IV won the trophy for 'Best Drill' for their Mexican dance and the trophy for 'Best marching Contingent' was bagged by Daniel house. The students were appreciated for their efforts.

March

Everything that is done in the world is
done by hope

16th : Inter House Kho-Kho Match Girls (classes II-V) was held. Following are the results:

RESULTS

POSITION	HOUSE
1 st	Moses
2 nd	Solomon

17th : Inter House Football Match Boys was held. The results are as follows:

RESULTS

POSITION	HOUSE
1 st	Solomon
2 nd	David

17th : Inter House Cricket Match for boys was organised. The results are as follows:

RESULTS

POSITION	HOUSE
1 st	Daniel
2 nd	Solomon

CLEAN INDIA CAMPAIGN



Swachh Bharat Mission



In the words of Mahatma Gandhi, "It does not require money to live neat, clean and dignified."

'Cleanliness is the key to Godliness'. A new wave of positivity is taking over Indians all over the world. Honourable Prime Minister, Narendra Modi has given a much needed hope to the people of the country by showing us a vision of a Developed India. Most of us are groomed to follow a cleanliness morning ritual before our morning prayers. Every house is cleaned daily in the morning and we take cleaning to the whole new level during festival seasons when every nook and corner is scrubbed till everything in the house shines in its full glory. The revered Prime Minister has made the Clean India Project a Mass Mission as each and every citizen will have to make it a personal mission to keep our country clean. In sync with this objective and according to the directives of CBSE and PMO, the school organized various activities from October 7 to October 13, 2014 to sensitize all the members of the school on the positive effects of cleanliness and also be an active part of this unique mission which will give all Indians a clean, healthy and happy future. The Swachh Bharat Swachh Vidyalaya Campaign in the school was triggered off with a number of activities organized during the week wherein the students articulated their thoughts on cleanliness by making thought provoking posters, writing essays in both English and Hindi.

It was a satisfying endeavour which focussed on one thing- 'ONE MISSION, ONE VISION, OUR IDENTITY, OUR INDIA - CLEAN AND GREEN, PROSPEROUS GROWING TO BOUNTIFUL HEIGHTS' and also together we can, together we will make a difference with our relentless efforts.



MONEY SPENT ON DEFENCE SHOULD BE USED FOR IMPROVING EDUCATION

Today there is peace in the whole world and if not, peace is being promoted. No country wants another world war or a civil war because it only harms us. In spite of this, a large sum of money is still being spent on defence. There are many other critical issues like education and health which are being neglected amidst. This keeps the developing countries a step away from the developed countries.

A country's prosperity is reflected in how healthy and educated its population is. Education is a key issue for the advancement of a country. By spreading education a person not only becomes literate but also knowledgeable and in time of any confusion or a problem like situation, this knowledge of his' could save him.

India is a developing country having the second highest population in the whole world. This population of ours can do wonders if we ourselves desire so. By spending money on education, the poorer section can reap benefits. Education can help control population. The present population could be taught and sent to the army which would increase our defensive forces. Abundance of labor is found in our country but the owners of big industries want to use only machines. Education should be spread regarding this so that no one is jobless and is able to earn his or her own living. India's human resources are being taken away by the developed countries. Indian population has the potential to work day and night and just because of better remuneration they like working for the companies abroad who outsource work to India just because of cheap labour found here. These people should be educated about the fact that they are Indians and should work for their own country be encouraged by offering the same salaries.

The younger generation is the future of the nation, higher elementary education should be promoted. Problems like the divide between the rich and the poor, gender discrimination, dowry system can be eradicated by educating people about the laws of the country.

Yes, it is the government's duty to protect its people from any external evasion but spreading education is an activity that the government must perform for the self development of an individual. None of them should be neglected.

I would like to conclude with the lines "Padhega India, tabhi toh badhega India"

---Rupanshi, XII B

MY FAVOURITE CHARACTER HERCULE M. POIROT

I really like reading Agatha Christie novels, more so because of the protagonist of her novels - Mr. Hercule M. Poirot. He is a Belgian private investigator with extraordinary capabilities. I admire him not because of his genius but because of his uncanny methods which he uses for deduction, reasoning, interpretations and drawing inferences. His ability of forcing the truth out of guilty murderers is also much appreciable.

Poirot's appearance is comical. He is bald with an egg shaped head and has a thick moustache. His demeanour does not quite provide an insight into the kind of exceptional man he is. Often, for this very reason people perceive him as a commoner, unaware of his talent. Poirot's systematical analysis and chain of thought as well as his attention to the most insignificant detail makes him a successful investigator. He is organized and suspects each person with the slightest involvement in the crime scene.

Hercule M. Poirot makes Agatha Christie's novels all the more engaging and filled with suspense. He is a character who keeps me glued right to the last page. The manner in which the plot unravels along Poirot's nuances makes the novel an interesting read.

Alongside Sherlock Holmes and Miss Marple, he is undoubtedly the best investigator.



---Ishani Bhattacharya, XII A

ESSAY

It is a common saying that the entire herd follows the sheep blindly. The same can be said for human beings as well. One such example was seen when an old man who walked with the support of a walking stick, decided with utmost determination, to free his country from slavery, rusted with the factors of human depression and human differentiation and supremacy. This man showed the way and the entire nation walked on that path, blindly. This man went on to become the 'Father of the Nation' of the newly independent state, called India. Bapu, as he was fondly and lovingly called, saw all his dreams come true before finally resting in peace, except one dream. A dream that held the power to transform the society, as we know it, if it were to come true. A dream of 'Swachh Bharat'.

When Bapu walked, millions followed, becoming his shadow. And yet again the time has come to become his shadow and fulfil his long forgotten dream. But the biggest question that lies before us is - how? How to get about fulfilling his dream? And the answer lies in the above mentioned saying. So the first step is to become the sheep yourself. And others will blindly follow.

The society needs to change its attitude of "everything's okay, no harm done". Harm will be done, and that too at a great extent, if the process of the change is long and time consuming. The smallest and simplest acts of kindness are the ones that change humanity the most. One good deed, one act of cleaning the society and nation at a recurring basis is what is going to change the society. The simplest acts of keeping the house clean and in return the society imitating the same acts, is what will take the nation to greater heights.

A clean society would be the base for all future developments in all other fields of economy. A cleaner society would mean all a healthier population and this would imply a greater human development. So we should try and build a nation at which other nations look upon with star gazed eyes and wonder at the miraculous development. Let's build a society, so that others would wish to know the secret behind the transformation of a nation from a poverty stricken, economically backward nation to one of the superpowers of the world. No, why stop at that? Why not the only superpower in the world? Thus, finally the goal will be accomplished and a dream of an old yet wise man, fulfilled.

---Sanya Monadeepa Claudius, XI D

"Our Budding Writers"

A COLD, FOGGY DAY IN SCHOOL

One fine day in winters, I remember vividly, when I woke up, it seemed to be a cold foggy day. I went to the balcony and looked out but no one was on the road. The street lights were on. It was a very smoggy day. I didn't want to wake up early but I had to go to school. I dressed myself up and went to the bus stop. Not many children were standing there. My bus came and I went off to school. All the children were wearing a sweater, cap and a coat. When we were studying in the classroom I saw that the fog was still there. After the school got over I went home and the fog started clearing up. It was difficult to reach school in the morning. I thought of so many people on the road who had to commute and prayed that they reach safely to their destinations.

---Nishtha Singh, IV A

TEACHER'S DAY

Teachers' Day is celebrated on 5th September every year in India. It is the birthday of Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan. This great son of India was an outstanding scholar and a teacher. Later on he became the Vice-President of India. Teachers are the backbone of our society. They are a bank of knowledge. Our parents bring us up and give us food for our survival but teachers illuminate our minds with the light of knowledge. We must love and respect our teachers and follow their advice for our well-being.



---Samarth Kanodia, IV A

FAVOURITE SUBJECT

My favourite subject is Mathematics. It has an important role in society, from baking a cake to building a house. It involves the use of numbers and measurements and space. Maths is so powerful that it adds spice to our life. Sports is largely dependent on Maths.

Decisions are made on the basis of playing time as well as strategy is based on percentage. The calculation of batting average is a Mathematical reality. Mathematics is fun. That's why I like Mathematics as a subject.

---Shreya Mishra, IV A



My Favourite Festival

India is a land of festivals. Different festivals from different states are celebrated here. My favourite festival is Diwali. Diwali is the festival of lights. On this day Shri Ram, his brother Laxman and his wife Sita came back to Ayodhya after 14 years of exile. On the special day of Diwali people decorate their houses with lights, bulbs and light diyas. Diwali celebrations begin by worshipping Goddess Laxmi who brings happiness and prosperity.

This year Diwali was celebrated on 23rd October. People bursted crackers and wore new dresses. Bursting crackers is not good. It makes many people sick. We should not burn so many crackers. We should enjoy Diwali by distributing sweets, chocolates, gifts etc. People go to their relatives. I enjoyed Diwali this year and I wish that Diwali brings happiness to all the families.



---Nishtha Singh, IV A

Song of Myself

A child said what is grass?
 Fetching it to me with full hands: how could I
 answer the child?
 I guess it must be the flag of my garden,
 Out of hopeful green stuff woven.
 Or I guess it is the handkerchief of the Lord.
 Bearing the owner's name someway in its
 corner.
 That we may see and remark
 And say that it is his or her.

---Avni Chaudhary, IV A

Hope is the Thing

Hope is the thing with feathers
 And sings the tune without the words
 And sweetest in the gale is heard
 That could abash the little bird
 I've heard it in the chilliest land
 And on the strangest sea
 Yet, never,
 Asked for a crumb of me!

---Avni Chaudhary, IV A

How I Spent My Summer Vacations

I went for my sister's wedding during summer vacations. I had so much fun as I enjoyed a lot. All my cousins were also there. We all played games during the day and we sang songs in the evening. After the wedding I visited a very famous temple. Then we went for sightseeing. I had much fun while spending the time with my family during the vacations.

---Rukmani Sharma, VC



READING IS TO MIND WHAT EXERCISE IS TO BODY

Reading is necessary for man as is air, water and food. It is a spiritual exercise that helps you to know people and their life. Books are living minds on the shelves. Reading is a journey through the souls, thoughts and beauty. People who read can live many kinds of lives as they wish.

Those who love reading have everything within their reach. For a small price one can visit great periods of history, learn from some of the greatest minds and world shapers, understand great issues, learn in a space of a few hours what others find difficult and studied for the entire life.

Reading is essential to have a broad knowledge and more information with which we make evaluation and decisions in life.

Reading is the best way of developing our imagination and moral values. It makes us understand the world around us and to see it in a new light. We do believe that 'Reading does maketh a man'.

---Manuj Tyagi, V A



SUMMER HOLIDAYS

I love vacation time because I visit many places. I can sleep beyond the sunrise. No more hurrying up in the morning for school.

It is play time during holidays. I along with my friends go to a nearby park to play cricket. My mom insists that I have a good breakfast because I will be gone for hours. Of course I can't neglect my studies altogether. There is holiday homework to be done. If my father gets leave from his office we will go to some hill station for a week. Last year we went to Nainital and had a good time.

This year we may go to my grandparents' home in Punjab. It will be so much fun. My maternal uncle is very fond of me. My maternal grandparents adore me a lot. They pamper me all the time. You know I also like school days because we meet our friends there.

---Udit Singh, V A



My Best Friend

A friend in need is a friend indeed. The world looks dark without a friend. Happy are those who have a true friend. I am lucky to have a true friend in Mansi. She belongs to a noble family and she is my classmate. We work, play and study together. She is good at studies. She has many qualities of head and heart. She is an honest girl and an ideal friend. She is also a good Kho-Kho player. She is the captain of our Kho-Kho team. She is my best friend.



---Renuka Bhati, V C

If I were the Principal of a School...

If I were the Principal of a school, I would do my best to make my school an ideal institution just like my school, Somerville. I would pay attention to discipline because a school cannot function smoothly without discipline. The laboratories will be well equipped. The library be well stocked. This will help to create a better atmosphere. The activities will help to develop all round personality of the students. I will have friendly relations with the members of my staff in order to get their full co-operation.

---Renuka Bhati, V C

Spring Season

I like spring season because in spring we all like to play outdoor and indoor games and the weather is very pleasant, the breeze is gentle. Near a river we can see water flowing over shiny stones, fishes swimming and butterflies all over the garden which is full of colourful and pretty flowers. Many flowers can be seen blooming and children enjoying themselves. My grandparents enjoy their walk during this season. Nature is appreciated by one and all. We need to be thankful for this beautiful time of the season.

---Avni Chaudhary, IV A

My Experience in Class V

There is not only one happy moment in my life that I can share, but lots of them that I am unable to describe. If I talk about the happiest moment of my life, it is when I got promoted to class V. This everybody knows, as we move to higher classes studies become difficult but on the other hand it was a great honour because in Class V, I was selected as Daniel House Captain. Being a House Captain, is a big responsibility. I need to look after my house as well as the students of the junior school. My favourite class V teacher was Ranjana Ma'am. She has been very caring and a great person to learn from. It was great to study in Class V and as I will be going to Class VI, I will carry good memories of my previous class and hope to shine ahead.

---Manya Baranwal, VA

"My First Birthday Present"

I still remember my 6th birthday; on 7th of September 2014, all my family members gave me beautiful presents. It was a wonderful day. My heart thumped with excitement as I opened the gifts and was overjoyed to see my favourite presents like laptop, digital camera, piano, aeroplane, drawing book and toy cycle etc. It was a memorable day for me. My father bought a delicious cake for me and I enjoyed my birthday party with my family members. I can never forget my sixth birthday.



---Arjun Gupta, IB

Trees are Our Best Friends

Trees are one of the best things that mother Earth has provided us. Trees give us many things. For example, trees provide us shade. Flowers give us good smell. Some climbers give us fruits. Trees like neem have medicinal value. Butterflies enjoy the nectar from flowers. Birds make their nests on trees. Monkeys love to jump around the trees. It provides life giving oxygen. Children love to play under the shade of the tree. The cool breeze soothes our mind. Trees are indeed a gift from God. It is our duty to protect them.



---Sirjan Kaur, II C



The Blind Man's Lamp

Once there lived a blind man in a small town. He always carried a burning lamp in his hand whenever he went out at night. On one dark night as he was going, a group of men were passing by. They saw the blind man and made fun of him by saying, "O blind man why do you carry this lamp? You are blind and cannot see anything". The blind man politely said, "The lamp is not for me, but for you people who have eyes. You may not see a blind man and push him". They felt ashamed and begged pardon.

Moral : Think twice before you speak.

---Tarushi Singh, II C

If I Were A Butterfly...



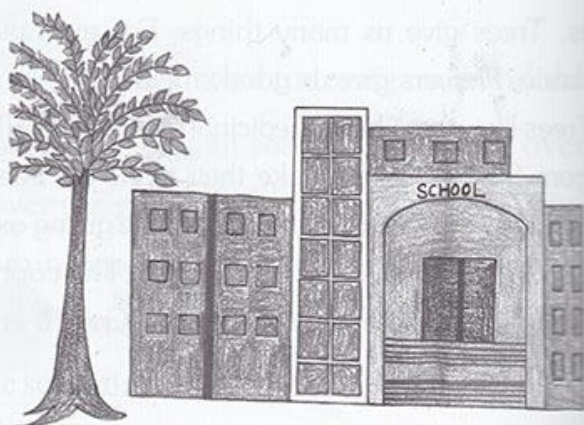
The birds are so lucky. They can fly to any place they want. I wish I could fly. I wish I were a butterfly. Butterflies are so beautiful and colourful. I cannot believe that their wings have natural colours. It looks like a beautiful painting. If I were a butterfly I would sit on the most beautiful flower. Wow! then I can always eat something sweet, whenever I am hungry. I will fly from one flower to another like we play hop scotch. I will sleep on a bed of flowers. Life will be beautiful like a dream, I would like to be red in colour and my wings should have all the colours of the rainbow. Oh! How much I wish I were a butterfly.

---Charu Garg, III D

SCHOOL

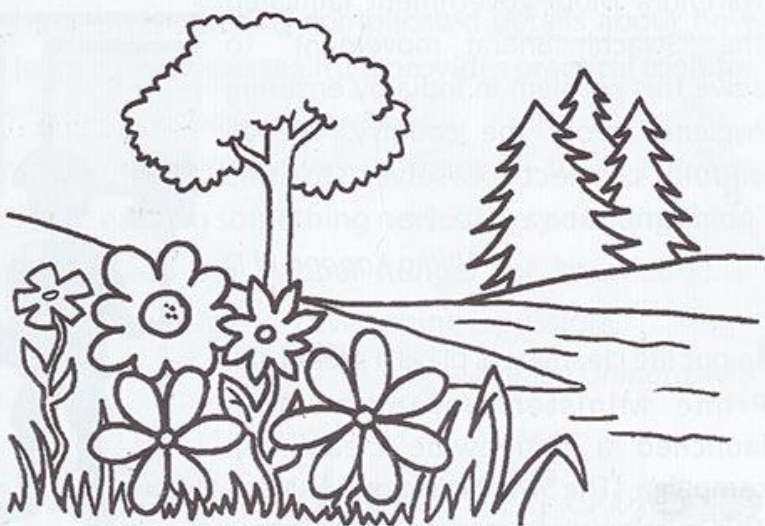
I like my school. I study in Somerville School. It is in Greater NOIDA. Our school is a Senior Secondary School. Dr. Mary Thomas is our Principal. I have a lot of friends in the school. Our school has a Library, Science Lab, Class rooms, Art and craft rooms, a big football ground, Staff Room, Principal's office and Music rooms. Our school compound is always clean and tidy. I am proud of our school and enjoy being a part of it.

---Malishka Singh, III C



Plants

Plants are all around us. Plants give us oxygen. Some plants are big and some are small. Plants have many parts like flower, fruits, bud root, leaf and stem. We should plant more trees. Trees give us many things like rubber, medicines, fruits, vegetables, spices, oil, wood etc. We must protect plants and trees. Plants provide us with many useful things. Plants are our green friends. Plants play an important role in maintaining balance in the environment. They are also a good source of food. Some plants like cotton, jute and hemp are grown for their fibres. Plants make their own food by the process of photosynthesis. Humans are dependent on plants. The scientific study of plants is known as Botany. Plants have a life cycle. Plants need water, air, light to grow. We must save trees.



---Titiksha Yadav, III D

A Memorable Trip

I went on a road trip to Jaisalmer during my last winter vacation. It is a 600 km drive from Delhi. On our way we stopped at Jaipur and Jodhpur, which are very famous historical cities. I spent these wonderful days in the deserts of Jaisalmer. It is so different from our city. I saw sand dunes, camel carts and amazing folk dances of Rajasthan. I also got to see wind mills which I had earlier seen only in books. I enjoyed Rajasthani food at various local eateries. Colourful dresses, big forts, melodious music, mouth watering food, beautiful view of sunset and sunrise truly makes Jaisalmer an incredible city. I would like to visit this desert of Rajasthan again and again.

---Samaira Srivastava, III D

Swachh Bharat Abhiyan : Making India Clean

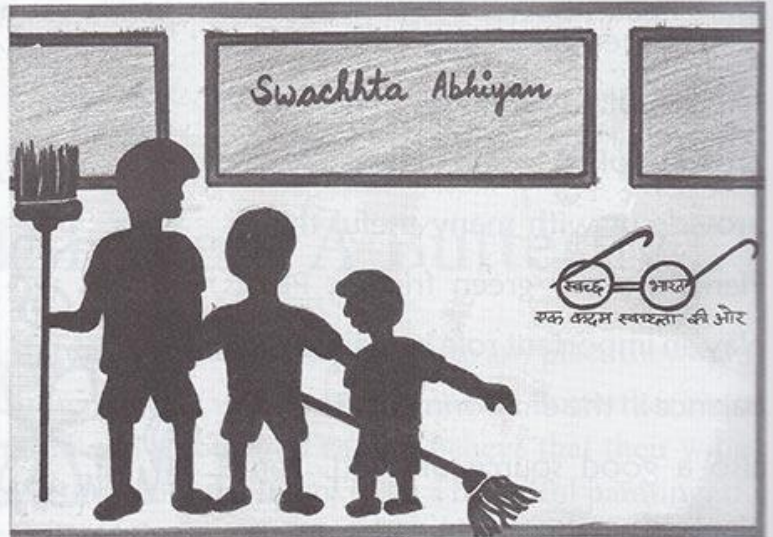
Mahatma Gandhi had rightly said, "Sanitation is more important than independence". He was aware of the situation of Indian rural people at that time and dreamt of a clean India where he talked about cleanliness and sanitation as part of living. In continuation to this thought, the Narendra Modi government launched the "Swachh Bharat movement" to solve this problem in India by ensuring hygiene across the country. We all should connect ourselves to this 'Abhiyan' and be a part of it.

---Naina Kapoor, III D

In our life cleanliness plays a great role. Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched a nationwide cleanliness campaign, 'The Swachh Bharat Mission'. This mission was a dream of the father of our nation 'Mahatma Gandhi Ji'.

This campaign was implemented to solve the problem of sanitation. It involves the construction of toilets, promoting sanitation, cleaning roads and streets. Importance of cleanliness should be taught at a very young age because it is very important that every citizen including the students should come forward to be a part of this mission. Now we will all work together to fulfill Gandhiji's dream of a better India.

---Shubham Chauhan, III B



Blessing In Disguise

Once upon a time, there was a squirrel named Squni. Squni lived in a tree. She loved to pick walnuts from trees. But, Squni was a quiet squirrel. One day she went for a picnic. There she met her friend Duki, the Duck. Duki was a loud Duck. So everybody disliked her. Whenever Squni went to pick up nuts, he screamed in a loud voice. One day they went to see the jungle. There, Squni was spreading her picnic mat. Suddenly, one rabbit came and took away her mat. Squni kept shouting but no one heard because she had a weak voice. Now, her friend Duki spoke out loudly, "Hey, he has taken my friend's mat, catch that rabbit". All the animals that were around Squni and Duki ran after the rabbit. One animal caught the rabbit. Squni was happy to see her mat. Squni thanked everyone, specially her friend Duki. "Thank you so much Duki, you saved my mat with your loud voice", Squni to Duki. "It's okay, friends don't say sorry and thank you", said Duki. Squni was happy to have a loud voiced friend.

Moral : We should accept people as they are.

---Avishi Dutta, III C



My Science Class is Interesting because...

My science class is interesting because it deals with unknown discoveries. Sometimes it seems like magic. It gives us an understanding of the world and universe we live in and helps us to understand why things actually happen. It explains complicated details about how things can be. It deals with logic and we learn more about reality. It provides practical tools for understanding everyday life.

Sometimes we wonder how things work and science gives us many of these answers practically. Its like putting together a puzzle. Learning something new is a very exciting thing because discovering more and more facts feed our natural hunger for knowledge. It introduces us to the amazing world of wonders where almost everything is possible.

---Kanika Dhingra, IV B

Girls are No Less Than Boys

Girls are out-shining boys in many countries around the world even in places where women face political, economic or social inequalities.

The researchers set out to explore the connection between academic achievement and a country's levels of gender inequality, speculating that girls might do worse on the Programme for International Student Assessment in countries where they are typically treated unfairly. On the contrary, researchers found that girls have been consistently outperforming boys for the last decade, regardless of countries' treatment of women.

In a lot of these countries women are not allowed to participate in many professions or activities, but what's interesting is even in these countries girls are doing better. They have proven every one wrong who thought that boys are better than girls and have led to a change in the mindset globally and girls have proven their worth in all shades of life.

Today girls can be seen in all traits of socioeconomic forum, they are Scientists, Doctors, Engineers, Sports person, teacher, social reformist and even politicians.

Not only girls are excelling with zeal, determination and performance in above areas, we can now even see girls performing in those segments that was prior thought and meant for the other gender, Now we see girls as Fighter Pilots, leading an army contingent climbing Mt. Everest and entrepreneurs. They are ready to expand and excel in uncharted waters of every format of life with their intelligence, physical capabilities and social contribution.

---Avni Chaudhary, IV A



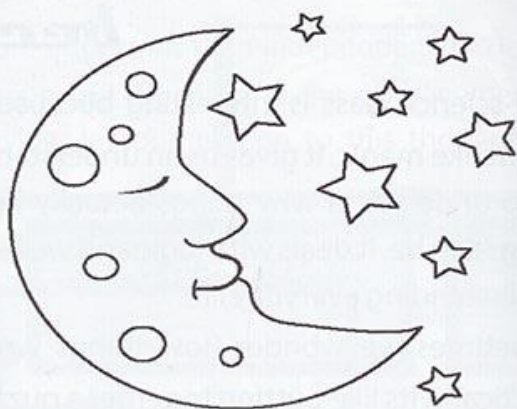
My Wonderful Father

My wonderful father

Very sweet father, my father,
You give me joy in all weather!
You do your duty day and night,
When there is no water or light!
You also work to earn money,
And your smile is always so sunny!
You bring me many gifts,
Which I do treasure,
You are the person I will always prefer,
You are the best,
And the most wonderful father!

—Aarohi Gupta, IV A

The Moon



**Moon, moon, moon,
Come daily soon,
You come at night,
You give us light,
You are high and bright,
Give us wisdom and might,
---Aarohi Gupta, IV A**

My Aim in Life



My aim is neither wealth nor fame but I want to be a part of a noble profession. I want to become a doctor because I want to serve my country by helping the poor people. I want to dedicate my life for the helpless people, therefore I have chosen this field. I am working hard to achieve my aim. I know there is a tough competition among the students for the admissions in medical colleges so I am working hard towards it. This profession is my personal choice and my parents are also happy with my decision. After becoming a doctor I plan to work in rural areas or the region where health facilities are less. I will feel immense happiness when I would achieve my aim.

---Aarohi Gupta, IV A

Inter House - Flower Arrangement



DANIEL HOUSE



DAVID HOUSE



SOLOMON HOUSE



MOSES HOUSE

The artist sees what others catch only a glimpse of - Potpurri

Inter House Origami Competition



Inter House Sudoku Competition



Keen effort to solve the Sudoku puzzle



Participants taxing their minds



Solve it right....



Sudoku masters

Hours of brain-challenging fun!

Inter House English Play



On Drug Abuse



The Empty Chair



While the Auto Waits



"The Apple" enacted



There is no End to Wishes



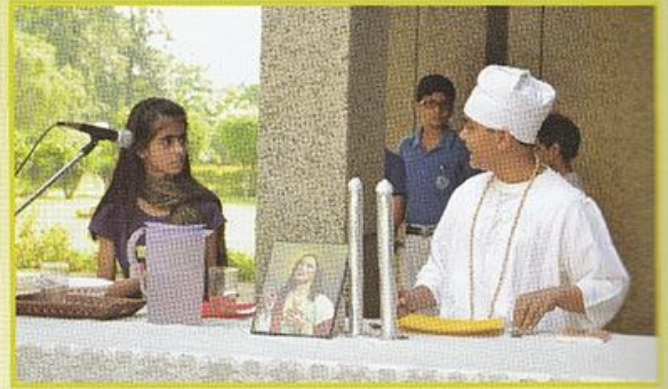
The farmer, his Son and the Donkey



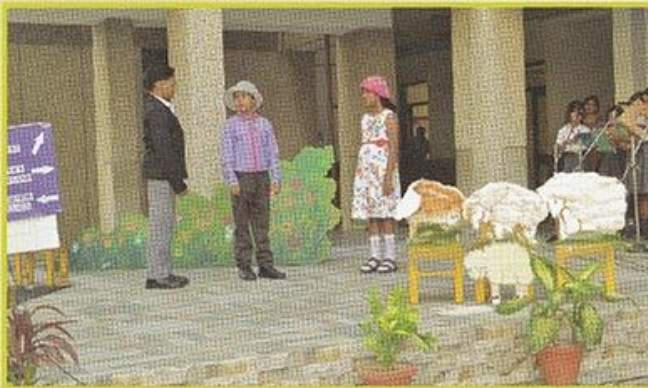
Where your treasurer is, there will also be your heart

The world is a stage and men and women are merely players - Shakespeare

Inter House English Play



Enactment of 'The Bishop's Candlesticks'



"The Boy Who Cried Wolf" by Daniel House



"Who is your neighbour?" being staged



The Goose that laid Golden Eggs

The world is a stage and men and women are merely players - Shakespeare

Inter House Indian Music Competition



Namami Pandey, IV-D



Anumeha Srivastava, V-B



Daniel House - Group Song



David House - Group Song



Solomon House - Group Song



Instrumental presentation by Moses House

Where words fail, music speaks...

Inter House Face Painting

Senior School



Painters of a different genre



Lost in the world of creativity



Participants of face painting competition with Vice Principal, Ms. Monisha Roy Claudius

Junior School



Depiction of various shades of nature



Participants of Face Painting Competition (Junior School)

Art knows no barriers

INTER HOUSE DANCE COMPETITION - SENIOR SCHOOL



First position Daniel House - Punjabi Dance



Second position Solomon House - Rajasthani Dance



Third position Moses House - Haryanvi Dance



Third position David House - Gujarati Dance



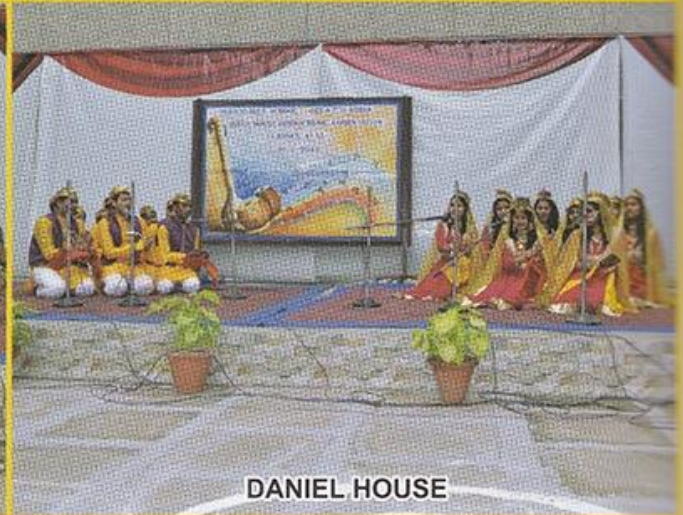
Judges Ms. Vipranjali and Ms. Minakshi

DANCING IS THE POETRY OF THE FOOT - JOHN DRYDEN

Inter House Indian Music Competition



SOLOMON HOUSE



DANIEL HOUSE



MOSES HOUSE



DAVID HOUSE



Judges Mr. Archie Joseph and Mrs. Alka Kapoor

**Music is a higher revelation than all wisdom
and philosophy**

Inter House Western Music Competition



First position David House - Carol of the King



Second position Solomon House - Rise Up



Third position Daniel House - Hark the Herald Angels Sing



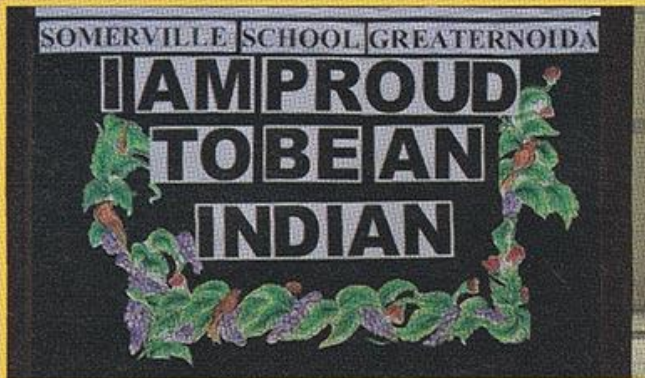
Moses House - It's a Wonderful Thing



Judges Mr. Themreishang Awungshi & Mrs. Ranjana Chauhan

*Music is the electric soil in which the spirit lives,
thinks and invents - Ludwig Van Beethoven*

Independence Day Celebrations



Students dancing on patriotic songs



Patriotic fervour in the air



A depiction of Non-Cooperation Movement



Swaraj is our birthright and we shall have it



A struggle for swaraj



Satyagraha - A march for freedom



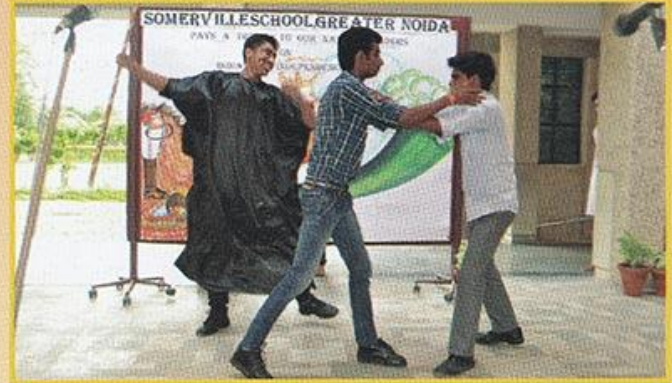
Basking in the glory of Free India

Celebrating 67th Independence Day

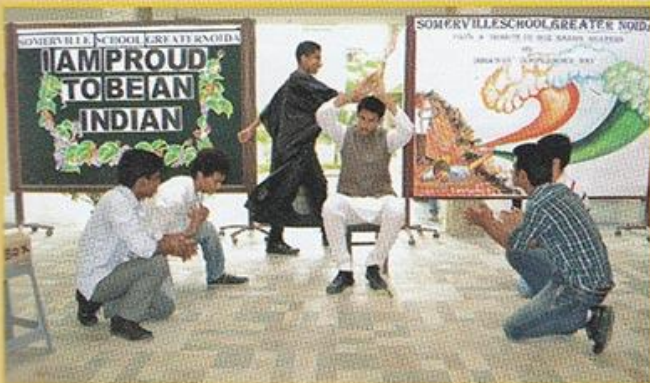
Independence Day Celebrations



Students of Humanities Stream enlighten the students



Students enacting a skit on contemporary social evils in India



True independence and freedom can only exist in doing what's right



Unity is Diversity



We pledge to lead our nation



United colours of India



Principal Dr. Mary Thomas propagates the message of patriotism

Patriotic fervour in the air

Independence Day Celebrations



Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas addressing the gathering



Head Boy Anubhav Kandwal XII-B articulating his views on Independence Day



We sing of India's glory



Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas unfurling the tricolour



Students expressing their views on what freedom means to them



A salute to our national flag



Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas shares her message with the staff and students

Rejoice in the free spirit

Martyr's Day

A TRIBUTE TO THE SONS OF LAND



Protima Banerjee XI-A Compering the Event



Remembering the Martyred Souls



A depiction of India's First Struggle for Independence (1857)



Freedom Fighters Defending the Sovereignty of the Country

Preparatory School - Republic Day



Patriots to the Core



We love you Our Motherland



National Symbols



Jai Hind !

Allegiance to the constitution of India - Our beloved motherland

Activities conducted during Patriotic Week



Making Tricolour Badges



Tricolour Wrist-bands being made



Display of the Prepared Badges



Exhibiting the Tricolour Fans

**Freedom brings responsibilities and burdens, and we have
to face them in the spirit of free and disciplined people - Pt. Nehru**

Patriotic fervour in the air

Patriotic Week - Street Play



An effort towards Women Empowerment



Say 'No' to Corruption



Let's reunite India



Let's Strive Together to curb Social Evils



One Nation, One Vision, One Identity



Demonstration of True Zest for the Nation

Rejoice in the free spirit

Literary Activities



Integrated project in progress



CLASS I-D Hindi Recitation 'Jhilmil Jhilmil Nabh Ke Taare'



Creative writing in progress



Spell Wizards of Class IV-C



CLASS III-C Hindi Recitation 'Hum Aage Badhte Jayenge'



CLASS V-B Hindi Recitation - 'Chale Chalo Din Raat'

Literary Legends

House Reports (Senior School)

DANIEL HOUSE



I thank the Almighty for giving me the privilege and honour to be the house mistress of Daniel house for the year 2014-15. The journey was a learning experience and I discovered a lot of potential not only within myself but a vast treasure of talent which the children had in them and this talent was discovered and given a beautiful outlet through a number of activities and competitions conducted throughout the year. Priye Roshan XII-D (Captain) and Karishma Mohan XII-C (Vice-Captain) played an active role by encouraging their house mates to participate enthusiastically in all the Inter House events. The ship was set to sail with the Inter House Face Painting Competition conducted in the month of April. In group B and C Daniel House secured first position. In Inter House Volley Ball Tournament held for boys as well as girls, Daniel house students displayed their exuberant zest for the game. The creativity and display of a kaleidoscopic

expression in Inter House English Play Competition held for the Juniors as well as seniors left each and every one spell bound as Daniel House students secured second position in Junior category and third position in the Senior category. In the Inter House English Debate Competition held for the senior school, Ananta Das (XII-A) was declared the best speaker. The students of Daniel House participated enthusiastically in Inter House Basketball tournament and stood winners in the group for class IX to XII (Boys). The students of Daniel house displayed a beautiful expression through colours in the Inter House Rangoli Competition and secured first position in group A participated by Disha Singh and Akansha Thakur, students of class VIII. The wall magazine put up by our house was based on the life of the Biblical character Daniel-The Prophet. Daniel house stood second in Inter House Indian music Competition, Bhumika Yadav (X-C) mesmerized every one by her melodious voice and secured first position in solo category. Daniel House secured first position in Inter House Folk Dance Competition, the students presented Punjabi folk dance.

I extend my gratitude to all the house teachers who helped throughout the year. I thank our respected Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas for giving me this great opportunity and for her constant encouragement.

Mrs. Richa. N. Daniel

House Mistress

DAVID HOUSE



"Are you ready!" The palpitations were high. "While the auto waits by O Henry...." The senior students were all set to ride, to live the English play on stage. Time warped, but everything unfolded smoothly.

A similar set up. Adjusting the costumes, last minute rehearsing of the dialogues, mannerism and cues from fellow characters were being worked upon. In fact the David House Junior students were going on the stage to prove themselves (Proverb Enactment competition) the best and tell the audience "Wisdom prevails over knowledge".

They were the plays - theatrical enactment- but the giant step for the students-to learn, build up their personalities for the future. They won the contest, so did each and every student present that day-a lesson was learnt with accolades. David house stood first in Senior and Junior student

categories, the applause was encouraging. They had worked hard.

During the year many inter house contests were held and as it happens, the first position eluded too. But the stage left everyone a winner. With alacrity all participants and cheering students in the gallery learnt nuances of future life that failure is a mirror. Each contest preceded with brainstorming sessions in selection of content, preparations and then palm wetting presentations on the stage in presence of fellow students, staff and of course the judges. The latent talent of students came out live with tears of joy!

As an institution of learning, Somerville School through the House system and the various competitions gave the students the opportunity to learn beyond academic excellence. From class rooms, they amplified their voices on stage and put to test their brawn and brains on the play ground too. David House topped the charts in-English Debate (Juniors), Western Music, Vegetable carving (Juniors), Face Painting (Gr-3) and English Debate (Gr-1) A lesson was learnt – endurance and perseverance pays.

House Reports (Senior School)

David House was runners-up first or second in several other competitions. Nevertheless the students treaded the path to glory in co-curricular activities and took the journey par excellence. As House mistress, with the team of my always cooperative and dedicated colleagues, I could instill in students to take initiative, shun shyness, tap their talent, sharpen their creative skills and build up their personalities. Our Principal and Vice-principal always extended an experienced hand to hold in distress.

We lived with team spirit, cooperation and calmed the butterflies in stomach being on stage.

Today the front row is occupied by all David House students. My colleagues and various house representatives Deepika, Gauri, Rashmi, Lovely, Rachna, Philip and Neha played an integral role in this journey. Each student will reach his and her destination in life, but we made it to some milestones in this year. They did earn the abstract equity, in terms of –knowledge and wisdom. My sincere thanks to all of you.

Mrs. Deepa Dubey

House Mistress

SOLOMON HOUSE



Somerville School Greater NOIDA provides ample opportunities to the students to explore and pursue their talent. They realize that both curricular and co-curricular activities are equally important for the holistic development of the students. The various competitions held during the academic year 2014-2015 provided a platform for the students to prove their talents.

The year started with Inter House Story Writing Competition held on 25th April 2014. Solomon house opened its account by getting 1st position in 'Build a story' in Group 1. The other event held on 28th of April 2014 was 'Face Painting Competition'. The topic was 'Unity in Diversity' for group 1 and 'India of my Dreams' for Group 2. Solomon House again proved themselves by winning 2nd position in both the groups.

In the month of May, prior to the summer vacation, Solomon House got 1st position in Group 1 for English play competition, the topic was 'Who are Our Neighbors'. The house could not secure any position in Group 2 but Sanya of XI-D stole the show with her acting.

It was now time to move on to the next event of the year, 'Spellathon' the spelling competition. Solomon House students actively participated in this and secured the 2nd position. Our students added another feather in the house cap by winning 2nd position in English Debate Competition held on 24th July in both the groups. Even in the field of sports Solomon House proved its mettle by winning 1st position in Junior Group girls and 2nd position in Senior Group girls and boys 'Basketball Competition' held in the month of July. In other sports also Solomon House students displayed full enthusiasm.

Inter house Hindi Debate Competition was held on 28th of July 2014. Students of Classes 11th and 12th enthusiastically debated on the topic 'Mobile towers are the cause of reducing the number of Sparrows'. Putting forth their thoughts coherently and questioning their opponents viewpoint vehemently. They emerged as winners. The last event of the year 2014 was 'Rangoli Making Competition' which was held on 8th of October 2014. Students of Solomon House won the 1st position in the Senior Group and 2nd position in Junior Group.

Students of Solomon house participated whole heartedly in all the activities and put their best foot forward to raise the glory of the house.

My sincere thanks to honorable Principal Ma'am for entrusting me with the responsibility of 'House Mistress' and providing me an opportunity to unleash the latent potential of the students. Many thanks, to all the teachers and students of my house for their unflinching support and cooperation.

Mrs. Mahima Kashyap

House Mistress

MOSES HOUSE

"Wings don't matter, unless one has the courage to take flight"

And once again I have been given the opportunity to instill courage in our students, by our Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas.

A school is the platform which provides students the opportunities to learn and grow through various curricular and extra-curricular activities. It is indisputable that extra-curricular activities go a long way in the holistic development of a child. In order to increase the participation of students in such activities and also to inculcate a sense of healthy competition and sportsman spirit in them, the student body has been divided into four different houses. It is the duty of a House Mistress to recognize the potential and talent in students and to help and encourage them develop the same. The year of 2014-2015 saw the students of Moses House showcase some exceptional talent, which astounded everyone and translated into various wins for the house.

This report would be incomplete if I do not express my gratitude for all the teachers associated with Moses House for their complete cooperation every step of the way.

It has been a give and take experience for me, as I have also learned a lot from it.

Dr. Manju Sharma

House Mistress

House Reports (Junior School)

DANIEL HOUSE



'If you can imagine, you can achieve because victory belongs to those who believe in the beauty of the dreams. If you want to achieve your goals, don't say it, go for it'.

With this kind of motivation I took over the responsibility of the House Mistress of Daniel House. Another busy year has passed by for Daniel House and once again we are amazed by the level of dedication and the commitment that every house member has shown, which has ultimately been the key to another successful year.

It all started when Daniel house triumphed in 'Inter House Face Painting' competition, stood 2nd in all the categories and continued to secure 1st in group, 2nd in Instrumental, 3rd in Solo Indian Music Competition, 2nd in group Western Music, 1st in the Computer Quiz, 1st in Cricket Match and also lifted the prestigious trophy of being the best House in the March Past during the Junior

Sports Day.

I would like to thank all the participants whose long hours of practice resulted in a sterling rendition. Although for Daniel House, the year has been fantastic, the accomplishment of the other houses are not forgotten, the other house teachers have been a pleasure to work with. We look forward to working with them to get the overall incredible result.

Last but not the least, it was victory of that faith which was shown in me by my School, which functions under the valuable guidelines of a great teacher and award winning Principal Dr. Mary Thomas.

Mrs. Suman Singh

House Mistress

DAVID HOUSE

"I lift up my eyes to the mountains—where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth." - Psalm 121:1

The new session began with enthusiasm among the students. Children were ready to face the well-planned series of competitions. These competitions gave students the opportunity to showcase their latent talents. We had a very enthusiastic approach towards the competitions throughout the year.

The singers and musicians mesmerized the audience with their melody and rhythm. Anumeha Srivastava and Pobitro Bhattacharya solo singers of Indian and Western music respectively and were declared second in both the competitions. In face

House Reports (Junior School)



Mrs. Somna Sahay

House Mistress

painting competition, students bagged various positions. Inter-house English Play competition brought forward the budding actors in the students. The Quiz Competitions, in which the second position was bagged by the students, helped them to be more confident about themselves and quick in their decisions. The fitness of the house was evident in the various events of Annual Sports Day, Cricket matches and Inter-House Kho-kho. It was the hard work of students and teachers that brought laurels to the house.

I thank our respected Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas, for trusting me with this great opportunity which has profoundly helped me to enhance my creativity, along with my students.

SOLOMON HOUSE



Solomon house students performed very well. In the glorious year 2013-14, our students tried their best and actively participated in many extra curricular activities and won respectable ranks.

Starting from Indian Music Inter House competition, we won 1st position in solo category.

In Face painting competition, the students of Solomon house from class III and V bagged 1st position.

In Western Music group competition our House won the 1st position in Solo category.

We participated in Inter House English play and won 3rd position.

In General Knowledge Quiz we got 2nd position.

Solomon House students also participated in Maths and Computer Quiz.

Our Kho Kho girl's team bagged 2nd position and in Cricket and Football we got 1st position.

The spontaneity and eagerness of members of Solomon House made the competition enjoyable. As a House Mistress of Solomon House, I encouraged the students to participate in various activities.

Mrs. Archana Suresh

House Mistress

MOSES HOUSE



In the glorious year 2014-15, MOSES house students tried their best and actively participated in many extra curricular activities and won respectable ranks.

Starting from Indian Music Inter House competition, we won 1st position in instrumental and 2nd in Group category.

In Face painting competition, the students of Moses House from class IV bagged 3rd position and class V won the 2nd prize.

In Western Music group competition our House won the 1st position in Group song and 2nd position in Solo.

We participated in Inter House English play and won the 1st position.

In General Knowledge Quiz we secured 3rd position.

Moses House students also participated in Maths and Computer Quiz.

Our Kho Kho girl's team bagged 1st position and Cricket and Football team got 3rd position.

The zeal and sportsmanship spirit of members of Moses House made the session enjoyable. As a House Mistress of Moses House, I express my gratitude to everyone who helped me sail through.

Mrs. Sunita Bandyopadhyay

House Mistress

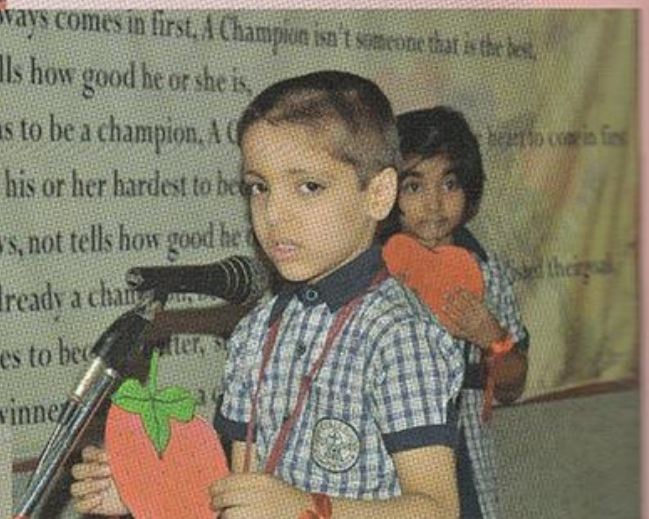
Preparatory School - Yellow Color Day

Nosegays Enthrall One and All...



Preparatory School - Red Color Day

Vibrant Red - The Colour of Energy, Passion and Action



Preparatory School - Green Colour Day

Luminous Green - Spreads Life and Happiness



Preparatory School - Blue Colour Day

Spectrum of the Bounty of Blue



Costume Parade



Theme - Members of the Parliament - Sakhi, Devangi Rawat, Kartik Tyagi V-D



Theme - Home Appliances, Avni Chaudhary, Ayushi Rajput IV-A



Theme - Healthy Food - Kanika Dhingra, Mokshita Gupta IV-B



Theme - Fast Food Items - Pratyush Singh IV-C



THEME-HOME CARE PRODUCT-Megha Sharma, Prithvi Singh Chauhan, Harshita Singh-VB



Theme - Fairy Tales, Ayushi Singh, Devanshi Gupta III-B



Theme - Puppets, Rishita Awana, Krishank Ghosh III-C



Theme - Freedom Fighters of India, Akansha Srivastav, Priyanshi Bhatt, Anushka Sharma V-A

You cannot climb the ladder of success dressed in the costume of failure

Preparatory School - Story Telling



Ananya Sharma, Pratiksha Samal, Garima Sharma - Nursery-A (Topic - Friendship)



Nisaba, Ananya Arafat, Sumay Singh - Nursery-B (Topic - Sharing)



Hargun Tuteja, Jacob J Akkara, Neelabh Basu - Nursery-C (Topic - Helpfulness)



Ahyan Kakkar, Aarohi Mukhopadhyay, Abhi Mishra - Nursery-D (Topic - Honesty)

Preparatory School - Eid Celebrations



Eid Mubarak

Preparatory School - Grand Parents' Day



CHILDREN OF NUR-C RECITE THE POEM 'Ek Daal Par Baitha Bandar'



GRAND PARENTS ENJOY THE PROGRAMME



CHILDREN PRESENT THE SONG - 'O GRANDMA GRANDPA'



GRAND MOTHERS INTRODUCE THEMSELVES



GRAND PARENTS PUT ON THEIR DANCING SHOES



GRAND PARENTS PEN DOWN THEIR EMOTIONS



THE GRAND PARENTS' WALL

You are unfeignedly special...

Preparatory School - Nursery Orientation Programme



Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas with Vice Principal, Mrs. Monisha Roy Claudius and Head Mistress, Mrs. Shefali Egbert



Principal Dr. Mary Thomas enlightening the gathering

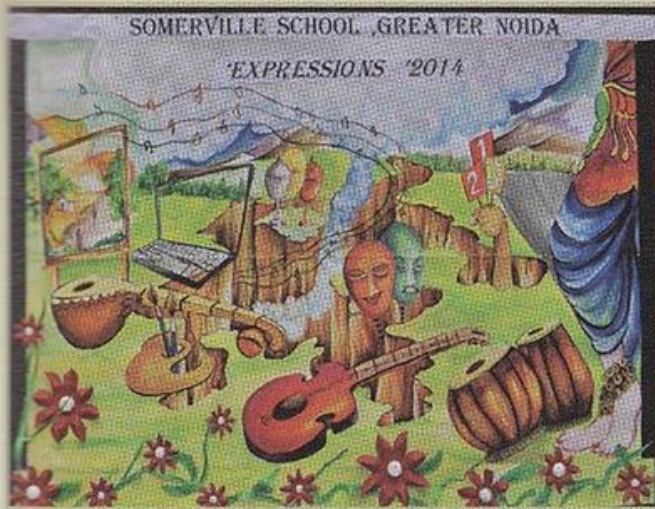


Head Mistress, Mrs. Shefali Egbert addressing the parents



A serene number in progress....

Expressions 2014



The Inaugural Ceremony - Mr. Thomas T. Roy, Secretary/Treasurer LCBM in India lighting the lamp



Principal Dr. Mary Thomas kindles the lamp



Students welcoming the Chief Guest Mr. Thomas T. Roy, Secretary/Treasurer LCBM in India



Comperes of the day



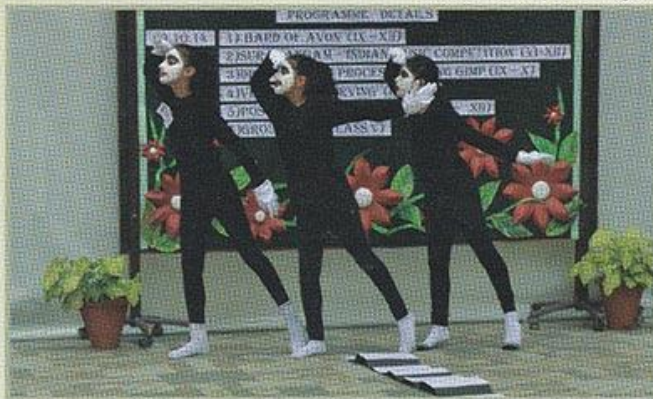
Chairperson and Director, Mrs. D. A. Tressler & Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas grace the occasion

Cultural & Literary Fiesta

Expressions 2014



Students expressing their views in English Debate



Group Mime



Indian Music reverberates...



Origami - the wonderful paper art



The magical brush



Judges for English Recitation, Mrs. Dimple Joseph & Mrs. Neelima Das

Igniting Minds

Expressions 2014



Spellathon in progress



English Recitation



Wonderfully Carved Vegetables



The palette of colours



The Judges for Indian Music Competition



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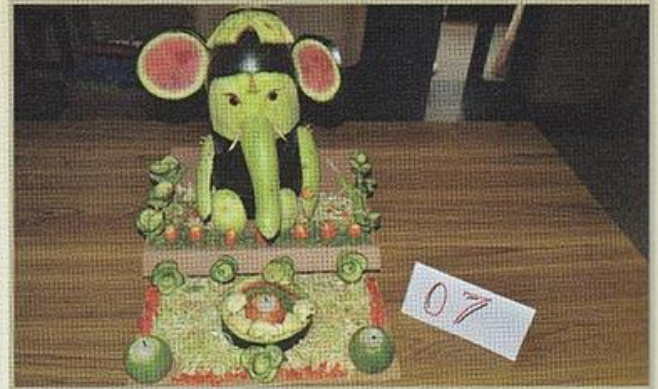
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The enchanting melody

Creative Strokes

Expressions 2014



Amazing display of creativity



Vegetables redesigned



Brain teasers



Computer wizards in action



Welcoming the Judges



The judge, Mrs. Alaknanda enlightening the students

Cultural Extravaganza

Senior Almanac

2014 - 2015

April

The things you take for granted, someone else is praying for

2nd : The new session commenced for classes VI-XII with a word of prayer by the Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas.

4th : Inter Section English Calligraphy was organised. Following are the results:

RESULTS			
POSITION	NAME OF STUDENTS	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Shruti Gupta	VIA	Solomon
2 nd	Aaisha Anis	VIA	Moses
3 rd	Nikita	VIC	Solomon
1 st	Naman Srivastava	VII C	Solomon
2 nd	Akhil Chauhan	VII C	David
3 rd	Shagun Saxena	VII D	Daniel
1 st	Nisha Awana	VIII C	Solomon
2 nd	Devangna Sharma	VIII D	David
3 rd	Muskan Gupta	VIII C	Daniel
1 st	Shreya Sharma	IX C	Solomon
2 nd	Prachi Roshan	IX C	Solomon
3 rd	Nishant Sharma	IX C	Moses
1 st	Aastha Gupta	XC	David
2 nd	Aatika Anis	XA	Solomon
3 rd	Shreya Kashyap	XB	Solomon
1 st	Karishma Mohan	XIC	Daniel
2 nd	Apurva Nanda	XIC	David
3 rd	Manisha Kumari	XIA	Daniel

7th : English Creative Writing Competition was organised for the students of classes VI-XII which recognised the potential of many students.



RESULTS

POSITION	NAME OF STUDENTS	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Anuroop Roy	VI A	David
2 nd	Vageesha Shrivastava	VI D	Solomon
3 rd	Shreya Ruth Nanda	VI C	Moses
Consolation	Mrityunjay Chauhan	VI B	Solomon
1 st	Tarun Singh	VII D	Moses
2 nd	Sarwang Tiwari	VII C	Daniel
3 rd	Ananya Pal	VII A	Solomon
Consolation	Arpan Pal	VII B	David
1 st	Ishita Mishra	VIII A	Daniel
2 nd	Divyanshi Singh	VIII B	Moses
3 rd	Muskan Gupta	VIII C	David
Consolation	Tanu Singh	VIII D	Daniel
1 st	Sagarika Chakraborti	IX A	Moses
2 nd	Atoshi Bhattacharya	IX D	Moses
3 rd	Sayan Saha	IX B	Solomon
Consolation	Tanushree Jha	IX C	Solomon
1 st	Aditi Chand	X B	Moses
2 nd	Shivani Walecha	X C	Moses
3 rd	Aayush Mathur	X A	Solomon
Consolation	Abhit Singh	X A	Daniel
1 st	Sanya Monadeepa Claudius	XI D	Solomon
2 nd	Shareen Joshy	XI A	Moses
3 rd	Protima Banerjee	XI A	Daniel
Consolation	Priyanka Rana	XI B	Moses
1 st	Mansi Tyagi	XII B	Daniel
2 nd	Siddarth Bhati	XII D	Moses
3 rd	Rowena Surabhi Claudius	XII A	David
Consolation	Aakriti Dwivedi	XII C	Moses

21st-26th: Library Week was organized from 21st-26th April for the students of Senior School wherein students recognized the essential role a library plays in shaping their future. Oodles of activities were conducted in the library for the learners providing them opportunities to showcase their innovative skills. They made beautiful and thought provoking bookmarks, wrote about their favourite characters, ended the famous tales with a twist, created their own stories. These activities not only brought forth their creative spark but also enhanced their writing skills.

21st : Library Week Activity : Favourite Character



RESULTS

POSITION	NAME OF STUDENTS	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Harshita Chaudhary	VI C	Moses
2 nd	Vachan Shetty	VI A	Daniel
3 rd	Tanya Upadhyay	VI B	David
1 st	Sarwang Tiwari	VII C	Daniel
2 nd	Ramya Rana	VII D	Solomon
3 rd	Kunal Dhingra	VII A	Moses
1 st	Pragya Jain	VIII C	Daniel
2 nd	Priyanshi Banerjee	VIII D	Solomon
3 rd	Siddharth Yadav	VIII A	Daniel
1 st	Sagarika Chakraborti	IX A	Moses
2 nd	Soumya Ranjan Sahu	IX B	Daniel
3 rd	Deeksha Raman	IX C	David
1 st	Aayush Mathur	X A	Solomon
2 nd	Shraboni Roy	X C	David
3 rd	Shreya Kashyap	X B	Solomon
1 st	Sanya Monadeepa Claudius	XI D	Solomon
2 nd	Protima Banerjee	XI A	Daniel
3 rd	Roopal Chauhan	XI D	Solomon
1 st	Ishani Bhattacharya	XII A	Daniel
2 nd	Stuti Vats	XII A	Moses
3 rd	Ananta Das	XII A	Daniel

22nd : Inter Section Book-mark Making Competition was organised. Following are the results:

RESULTS

POSITION	NAME OF STUDENTS	CLASS
1 st	Anushree	VI C
2 nd	Drishti Khatri	VI D
3 rd	Gunjan Ahuja	VI A
Consolation	Apekshita Aggarwal	VI A
	Shobit Marar	VI B
	Ishita Sahu	VI C
	Lavanya Gupta	VI D

POSITION	NAME OF STUDENTS	CLASS
1 st	Niranjan K	VII B
2 nd	Hansika Gupta	VII C
3 rd	Tanya Som	VII D
Consolation	Madhumanti Mondal	VII A

MILESTONE

	Utkarsh Rai	VII B
	Yaman Saini	VII C
	Ramya Rana	VII D
POSITION	NAME OF STUDENTS	CLASS
1 st	Ekta Esther Gambhir	VIII C
2 nd	Prachi Singh	VIII C
3 rd	Himanshu Manna	VIII C
Consolation	Anandita	VIII A
POSITION	NAME OF STUDENTS	CLASS
1 st	Shriya Singh	IX A
2 nd	Naimisha Srivastava	IX B
3 rd	Abhinav Chakravarty	IX B
Consolation	Maansi Jha	IX A
	Garima Chaudhary	IX B
	M. Siddharth	IX C
	Himadri	IX D
POSITION	NAME OF STUDENTS	CLASS
1 st	Rhea Pant	X D
2 nd	Prachi Singh	X B
3 rd	Urvi Sharma	X D
Consolation	Aditi Chand	X B
	Shraddha	X C
	Harshit Garg	X D
	Vanshika Singh	X A
POSITION	NAME OF STUDENTS	CLASS
1 st	Manali Singh	XI A
2 nd	Protima Banerjee	XI A
3 rd	Garishma Arora	XI A
Consolation	Angela Wilson	XI A
POSITION	NAME OF STUDENTS	CLASS
1 st	Vaibhavi Chaturvedi	XII A
2 nd	Stuti Vats	XII A
3 rd	Pragya Tripathi	XII A
Consolation	Ambika Thakur	XII A
	Sonakshi Gandotra	XII A
	Priye Roshan	XII D



23rd : Library Week Activity: 'Ending With A Twist' was organised. Following are the results:

RESULTS			
POSITION	NAME OF STUDENTS	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Samaira Kashyap	VI B	Moses
2 nd	Shreya Ruth Nanda	VI C	Moses
3 rd	Rheanna Ghosh	VI D	Daniel
1 st	M. Sairam	VII C	Moses
2 nd	Tisha Goyal	VII A	Daniel
3 rd	Apoorva Dash	VII C	David
Consolation	Vibhor Chauhan	VII B	DANIEL
1 st	Ishi Ribhu	VIII A	David
2 nd	Mans Mahatha	VIII D	Solomon
3 rd	Tanul Saxena	VIII B	David
Consolation	Muskan Gupta	VIII C	David
1 st	Sagarika Chakraborti	IX A	Moses
2 nd	Atoshi Bhattacharya	IX D	Moses
3 rd	M. Siddharth	IX C	Moses
Consolation	Naimisha Srivastava	IX B	David
1 st	Harshit Mishra	X C	David
2 nd	Abhit Singh	X A	Daniel
3 rd	Shivangi Varshney	X D	Moses
Consolation	Aditi Chand	X B	Moses
1 st	Sanya Monadeepa Claudius	XI D	Solomon
2 nd	Protima Banerjee	XI A	Daniel
3 rd	Roopal Chauhan	XI D	Solomon
Consolation	Srijan Chakraborty	XI B	Solomon
1 st	Ishani Bhattacharya	XII A	Daniel
2 nd	Karen Vanessa Pennefather	XII B	David
3 rd	Glory Marium Abraham	XII A	Solomon

25th : Inter House Library Week Activity Create A Story was organised. Following are the results:

GROUP A POSITION	NAME OF STUDENTS	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Varnika Bali Mathur	VI C	Solomon
	Ojasva	VI C	
	Shreya Singhal	VII B	
	Walusha Lovena Rodriguez	VII C	
	Prachir Agrawal	VIII A	



2 nd	C. R Snayga	VIII D	
	Divyanshi Singh	VIII B	Moses
	Ojaswita Tiwari	VIII D	
	Himanshu Anand	VII C	
	Murthy Sairam	VII C	
	Divyansh Goyal	VIA	
	Samaira Kashyap	VIB	
GROUP B			
POSITION	NAME OF STUDENTS	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Sunit Basak	IX D	Moses
	Supreet Saggu	IX B	
	Areesha Usmani	IX B	
	Siddhi Agarwal	X D	
	Prachi Singh	X B	
	Aditi Chand	X B	
2 nd	Sarthak Agarwal	X B	Daniel
	Mayank Srivastava	X C	
	Anirudh Pandey	IX C	
	Shreya Shrivastava	IX A	
	Smera Patnaik	IX A	
GROUP C			
POSITION	NAME OF STUDENTS	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Kushagra	XII C	Solomon
	Piyush	XII C	
	Ira	XII C	
	Anushka Singh	XI C	
	Sanya Monadeepa Claudius	XI D	
	Roopal Chauhan	XI D	
2 nd	Shubhangi Bansal	XII D	Moses
	Aakriti Dwivedi	XII C	
	Preeti Roshan	XII C	
	Shourya Mehrotra	XI C	
	Priyanka Rana	XI C	
	Vidhisha Chaudhary	XI C	
2 nd	Protima Banerjee	XI A	Daniel
	Sakshi Bansal	XI D	
	Ishani Bhattacharya	XII A	
	Ananta Das	XII A	
	Priye Roshan	XII D	
	Prerna Jain	XI D	



26th : Inter Section Library Week Activity — Hindi Kavya Rachana was organised. Following are the results:

RESULT

TOPICS : MOTHER

POSITION	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Anishka	VI A	Daniel
2 nd	Jainiya Goyal	VI D	David
3 rd	Sheha Sanwal	VI D	Daniel

TOPICS : DAWN

POSITION	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Shreya Singhal	VII B	Solomon
2 nd	Gaurav Raj	VII C	Daniel
3 rd	Riya Sinha	VII B	David

TOPICS : NATURE

POSITION	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Ashish Nagar	VIII B	Daniel
2 nd	Tanu Singh	VIII D	Daniel
3 rd	Muskan Gupta	VIII C	David

TOPICS : TIME

POSITION	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Shriya Singh	IX A	David
2 nd	Pramanshi Singh	IX A	Moses
3 rd	Naimisha Srivastava	IX B	David

TOPICS : ELECTION

POSITION	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Shubham Singh	X B	Daniel
2 nd	Kamya Singh	X C	Daniel
3 rd	Harsh Singhal	X A	Solomon

28th : Inter House Face Painting Competition was held to help students discover their creativity through painting.

RESULTS

GROUP A

POSITION	STUDENT NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Aaisha Anis	VIA	Moses



2 nd	Rishabh Bansal	VIA	
	Bhavika Choudhary	VID	Daniel
	Arindam Chaudhary	VIB	
3 rd	Sarthak Chauhan	VIA	David
	Chethan K	VIA	

**GROUP B
POSITION**

POSITION	STUDENT NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Disha Singh	VIII B	Daniel
	Tanu Singh	VIII D	
2 nd	Kiran Preet Kaur	VII A	Solomon
	Pooja Sharma	VIII D	
3 rd	Arman Mohanty	VII B	Moses
	Piyush Pandey	VII A	

**GROUP C
POSITION**

POSITION	STUDENT NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Shubham Singh	XB	Daniel
	Harshit Kumar	IX B	
2 nd	Mayank Sonker	XA	Solomon
	Abhas Gahlot	IX D	
3 rd	Sarthak Sharma	IX C	David
	Manohar K	IX C	

28th : Investiture Ceremony of the Student Council Members of the Senior School was held on 28th April, 2014. The Student Council was selected after the regular rounds of screening comprising the interaction with the selection committee and the oratorical and public speaking ability. The selected members were entrusted with their duties and conferred with the responsibility of leading their Alma Mater. The programme began with a short prayer seeking the blessings of the Omnipotent. Dr. Mary Thomas, Principal conferred the students with the sashes and badges reminding the students of the true worth and weight both these uphold.

May

When you are good to others, you are good to yourself

6th : Inter-House Volley Ball Tournament was held. The final match was played on 8th May 2014. Results are as follows:



MIDDLE SCHOOL

1st POSITION - BOYS (MOSES HOUSE)

NAME	CLASS
Harsh Chauhan	VIII C
Krishna Kant Patel	VIII B
Rohit Nagar	VI A
Mohit Ranjan	VIII C
Blesson K. Tomy	VII B
Rohit Kumar	VII A
Aayush Gupta	VIII C
Pallav Rana	VI B

2nd POSITION - GIRLS (MOSES HOUSE)

NAME	CLASS
Aaisha Anis	VI A
Aditi Pande	VII A
Tanya Som	VII D
Chhavi Srivastava	VII D
Sarah Dillu	VIII D
Mansi Chauhan	VIII D
Vidushi Mahatha	VIII A

1st POSITION - GIRLS (DAVID HOUSE)

NAME	CLASS
Joanna Antony	VIII B
Hardika Saini	VII B
Sakshi Arora	VII B
Kalpna Sharma	VII D
Aahuti Thakur	VII A
Madhumanti Mondal	VII A
Asmita Singh	VI A

2nd POSITION - BOYS (DANIEL HOUSE)

NAME	CLASS
Ashish Nagar	VIII B
Shivam Sharma	VIII A
Raman Kapur	VIII C
Rajat Nagar	VI B
Prateek Sharma	VI D
Aditya Singh	VII D
Utkarsh Rai	VII B
Anirudh Baniwal	VII A
Harshit Rana	VI B
Hardik Gupta	VI B
Aditya Malik	VI B

7th : Hindi Calligraphy Competition was organised. Results are as follows:

RESULTS

POSITION	NAME OF STUDENTS	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Vanisha Tyagi	VIA	David
2 nd	Shlok Rastogi	VIA	Moses
3 rd	Priyanka Tomar	VIA	Solomon
1 st	Hrishee Namdeo	VIB	Daniel
2 nd	Hardik Gupta	VIB	Daniel
3 rd	Simarjeet Kaur	VIB	Moses
1 st	Mansi Pandey	VIC	David
2 nd	Pranjal Sharma	VIC	David
3 rd	Kanishk Singh	VIC	Solomon
1 st	Srishti Roy	VID	Solomon
2 nd	Bhavika Choudhary	VID	Daniel
3 rd	Harshit Srivastava	VID	Daniel



1 st	Himanshu Tyagi	VII A	David
2 nd	Tisha Goyal	VII A	Daniel
3 rd	Gauri Mohan	VII A	Moses
1 st	Riya Sinha	VII B	David
2 nd	Khushnoor Kaur Bhinder	VII B	Moses
3 rd	Ananya Singh	VII B	Solomon
1 st	Vrinda Goel	VII C	Solomon
2 nd	Swasti Bhardwaj	VII C	Daniel
3 rd	Gaurav Raj	VII C	Daniel
1 st	Tanvi Bhardwaj	VII D	David
2 nd	Tanya Som	VII D	Moses
3 rd	Pranay Yadav	VII D	Moses
1 st	Poornima Sindhu	VIII A	David
2 nd	Ridhima Singh	VIII A	Daniel
3 rd	Nishita Sharma	VIII A	David
1 st	Divyanshi Singh	VIII B	Moses
2 nd	Priyanshu Gujre	VIII B	Solomon
3 rd	Tanya Srivastava	VIII B	Solomon
1 st	Muskan Gupta	VIII C	David
2 nd	Shambhavi Singh	VIII C	Solomon
3 rd	Akanksha Thakur	VIII C	Daniel
1 st	Agmendu Bhati	VIII D	Solomon
2 nd	Tanu Singh	VIII D	Daniel
3 rd	Rachi Agarwal	VIII D	David
1 st	Shriya Singh	IX A	David
2 nd	Sagarika Chakraborti	IX A	Moses
3 rd	Ruby Lovina Ekka	IX A	Daniel
1 st	Pratishtha Yadav	IX B	David
2 nd	Mukul Singh	IX B	Moses
3 rd	Nishtha Chitara	IX B	Moses
1 st	Tanushree Jha	IX C	Solomon
2 nd	Shreya Sharma	IX C	Solomon
3 rd	Aakash Singh	IX C	David
1 st	Mansi Baranwal	IX D	Daniel
2 nd	Raj Laxmi	IX D	David
3 rd	Atoshi Bhattacharya	IX D	Moses
1 st	Shivani Chauhan	X A	Daniel
2 nd	Asmita Verma	X A	Daniel
3 rd	Isha Tiwari	X A	Moses
1 st	Nikita Joshi	X B	Daniel
2 nd	Prachi Singh	X B	Daniel
3 rd	Priyank Gupta	X B	Solomon



1 st	Shivani Walecha	XC	Moses
2 nd	Aastha Gupta	XC	David
3 rd	Manshi Tyagi	XC	Daniel
1 st	Urvi Shrma	XD	Daniel
2 nd	Siddhi Agarwal	XD	Moses
3 rd	Soumya Srivastava	XD	Solomon

9th : Inter House Volleyball Tournament 2014-15 was organised for Senior School Classes (IX - XII).

1st POSITION - WINNERS

GIRLS (DANIEL HOUSE)

NAMES	CLASS
Ashu Chauhan	XII C
Shweta Negi	XI D
Devarshika Anand	XII B
Shrestha Rawat	XC
Karishma Mohan	XI C
Salika Sinha	IX C
Nancy Chaudhary	XI D
Muskan Sharma	IX A
Bhawna Pal	XC
Varsha Bhati	IX A
Prachi Srivastava	XB

BOYS (DANIEL HOUSE)

NAME	CLASS
Ayush Narendra Tripathi	XII B
Shahzaib Khan	XII C
Hansuman Chaudhary	XII A
Ankit Sharma	XII A
Ayush Som	XI C
Vidit Sharma	IX C
Samar Singh Rathore	XC
Ashish Singh	XD
Apurv Kumar Choubey	XA
Shashank Panghal	XII D
Rahul Kumar	XII A

2nd POSITION - RUNNERS UP

GIRLS (SOLOMON HOUSE)

NAMES	CLASS
Neehar Chouksey	XII C
Ayushi Rohela	XII C
Harshita Mishra	XII B
Karuna Gurjar	XI D
Shreya Kashyap	XB
Samridhi Gupta	XD
Ayushi Bansal	IX A
Shivani Rawat	IX D
Shalini Srivastava	IX A
Riya Singh	IX D
Shreya Nautiyal	XB

BOYS (SOLOMON HOUSE)

NAME	CLASS
Shubham Vashishth	XII C
Suchayan Mondal	XII A
Tushar Nagar	XI A
Rishabh Aggarwal	XI A
Sarvottam	IX A
Reshabh Deep Singh	XII D
Sachin Awana	XC
Atul Mishra	XII D
Rahul Sharma	XA

12th : Inter Section Hindi Creative Writing displayed a palette of creativity through various literary activities.



RESULTS			
POSITION	NAME OF STUDENT	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Somdeb Choudhary	VIA	Moses
2 nd	Shreya Kumari	VIA	Daniel
3 rd	Vanisha Tyagi	VIA	David
1 st	Sanjana Awana	VIB	Solomon
2 nd	Hrishee Namdeo	VIB	Daniel
3 rd	Aditi Pant	VIB	Moses
1 st	Mansi Shahi	VIC	Daniel
2 nd	Daksh Rawat	VIC	Moses
3 rd	Shreya Ruth Nanda	VIC	Moses
1 st	Sneha Sanwal	VID	Daniel
2 nd	Lavanya Gupta	VID	David
3 rd	Bhavika Choudhary	VID	Daniel
1 st	Ananya Pal	VII A	Solomon
2 nd	Tisha Goyal	VII A	Daniel
3 rd	Huney Malik	VII A	David
1 st	Ananya Singh	VII B	Solomon
2 nd	Vaishnavi Srivastava	VII B	David
3 rd	Riya Sinha	VII B	David
1 st	Shinjini Singh	VII C	David
2 nd	Sejal Pankaj Agarwal	VII C	Daniel
3 rd	Nandini Sharma	VII C	Moses
1 st	Shagun Saxena	VII D	Daniel
2 nd	Tarun Singh	VII D	Moses
3 rd	Pranay Yadav	VII D	Moses
1 st	Nishita Sharma	VIII A	David
2 nd	Ridhima Singh	VIII A	Daniel
3 rd	Poornima Sindhu	VIII A	David
1 st	Tanya Srivastava	VIII B	Solomon
2 nd	Gaurav Bhati	VIII B	David
3 rd	Tanul Saxena	VIII B	David
1 st	Akanksha Thakur	VIII C	Daniel
2 nd	Muskan Gupta	VIII C	David
3 rd	Prachi Singh	VIII C	David
1 st	Tanu Singh	VIII D	Daniel
2 nd	Priyanshi Banerjee	VIII D	Solomon
3 rd	Shreya Mathur	VIII D	Daniel
1 st	Sagarika Chakraborti	IX A	Moses



2 nd	Abhimanyu Sharma	IX A	David
3 rd	Ambika Walecha	IX A	Moses
1 st	Soumya Ranjan Sahu	IX B	Daniel
2 nd	Mallika Bandyopadhyay	IX B	Daniel
3 rd	Areesha Usmani	IX B	Moses
1 st	Aditi Adhikari	IX C	David
2 nd	Abhay Lohani	IX C	Moses
3 rd	Mohit Sharma	IX C	Daniel
1 st	Harshvardhan Chauhan	IX D	Daniel
2 nd	Raj Laxmi	IX D	David
3 rd	Himadri	IX D	Moses
1 st	Shivangi Dubey	XA	Solomon
1 st	Pragati Singh	XA	Daniel
2 nd	Asmita Verma	XA	Daniel
2 nd	Vanshika Singh	XA	Daniel
3 rd	Abhit Singh	XA	Daniel
1 st	Aditi Chand	XB	Moses
2 nd	Vedika Dalmia	XB	David
3 rd	Anjali Pandey	XB	Daniel
3 rd	Nikita Joshi	XB	Daniel
1 st	Kshitiz Gupta	XC	David
2 nd	Mayank Srivastava	XC	Daniel
3 rd	Bhawna Pal	XC	Daniel
1 st	Siddhi Agarwal	XD	Moses
2 nd	Reda	XD	Daniel
3 rd	Shivangi Joshi	XD	Daniel

13th - 20th : To make the students aware about the ill effects of tobacco, CBSE organised a number of activities.

16th : The much awaited Inter-House English Play Competition was held for classes VI-VIII where students displayed their fine acting skills.

RESULTS

POSITION	TEAM	HOUSE	NAME OF THE PLAY
1 st	D	Solomon	Who Is Your Neighbour?

NAMES OF THE PARTICIPANTS

Piyush Gupta VI B, Ananya Pal VII A, Walusha Lovena Rodriguez VII C, Aditya Pandey VII A, Yashodhan Jothi Prakash VII B, Shreya Singhal VII B, Prachir Agarwal VIII A, Varnika Bali Mathur VI C, Ramya Rana VII D, Priyanshi Banerjee VIII D, Mansi Mahatha VIII D.



POSITION	TEAM	HOUSE	NAME OF THE PLAY
2 nd	C	Daniel	Parable Of Talents

NAMES OF THE PARTICIPANTS

Rheanna Ghosh VI D, Drishti Garg VII A, Tisha Goyal VII A, Sejal Pankaj Agarwal VII C, Swasti Bhardwaj VII C, Siddharth Yadav VIII A, Tushar Tyagi VIII A, Tom Varghese VIII D, Gurleen Kaur VIII A, Manvi Sharma VIII D, Akanksha VIII C

POSITION	TEAM	HOUSE	NAME OF THE PLAY
3 rd	A	David	Where Your Treasure Is, There Also Your Heart Will Be

NAMES OF THE PARTICIPANTS

Rishabh Banerjee VII D, Muskan Gupta VIII C, Himanshu Manna VIII C, Tanul Saxena VIII B, Ishi Ribhu VIII A, Sulagna Dash VIII C, Himanshu Tyagi VII A

POSITION	TEAM	HOUSE	NAME OF THE PLAY
3 rd	B	Moses	Bishop's Candlesticks

NAMES OF THE PARTICIPANTS

Piyush Pandey VII A, Gauri Mohan VII A, Divyanshi Singh VIII B, Nandini Sharma VII C, Himanshu Anand VII C, M. Sairam VII C, Archas Srivastava VII D

Following students were applauded for their commendable performance.

POSITION	NAME OF STUDENTS	CLASS
1 st	Rishabh Banerjee	VII D
2 nd	Tom Varghese	VIII D
3 rd	Himanshu Manna	VIII C

19th : Workshop for teachers was organised by Educomp to enhance their class room teaching skills. Interesting ways of using smart board modules and utilising them for effective teaching was stressed upon.

21st : For classes IX-XII, Inter-House English Play Competition was conducted to help students display a rainbow of emotions and creativity through their acting skills.

RESULTS

POSITION	TEAM	HOUSE	NAME OF THE PLAY
1 st	C	David	While The Auto Waits

NAMES OF THE PARTICIPANTS

Princy Pathak XI C, Saksham Mitra XI C, Surbhi Verma XI C, Piyush Chauhan XI C, Ahubhav Kandwal XII B, Rupashi XII D, Archit Mishra XII A



POSITION	TEAM	HOUSE	NAME OF THE PLAY
2 nd	B	Moses	The Apple

NAMES OF THE PARTICIPANTS

Priyanka Rana XI C, Siddhi Agarwal X D, Sarthak Kanodia X D, Arpit Sharma X D, Pavitra Joshi X C, Isha Tiwari X A, Aditya Rathi X D, Abhinav Sharma X D, Shivani Walecha X C, Ambika Walecha IX A, Shourya Mehrotra XI C

POSITION	TEAM	HOUSE	NAME OF THE PLAY
3 rd	D	Daniel	Hotel Paradise

NAMES OF THE PARTICIPANTS

Mayank Srivastava X C, Sarthak Agarwal X B, Harshvardhan Chauhan IX D, Mallika Bandyopadhyay IX B, Urvi Sharma X D, Reda X D, R. Akshaya X D, Ananta Das XII A, Ishani Bhattacharya XII A, Anshul Sethi XI C, Ayush Som XI B, Karishma Mohan XI C

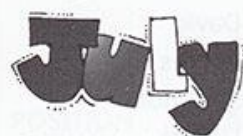
POSITION	TEAM	HOUSE	NAME OF THE PLAY
3 rd	A	Solomon	The Empty Chair

NAMES OF THE PARTICIPANTS

Sanya Monadeepa Claudius XI D, Rupal Chauhan XI D, Aayush Mathur X A, Garishma Arora XI A, Anushka Singh XI C, Rudraksh XII C, Pranjal Gupta XI C, Archit Shukla XI D

Following students were applauded for their commendable performance:

POSITION	NAME OF STUDENTS	CLASS
1 st	Sanya Monadeepa Claudius	XI D
2 nd	Abhinav Sharma	XD
3 rd	Siddhi Agarwal	XD



Real listening is a willingness to let the other person change you

7th : Inter-Section Spellathon was conducted for classes VI-VIII.

RESULTS				
POSITION	TEAM	NAMES OF THE PARTICIPANTS	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	A	Apekshita Aggarwal	VIA	Solomon
		Vachan Shetty	VIA	Daniel
		Anuroop Roy	VIA	David
		Darsh Srivastava	VIA	Solomon



1 st	C	Samarth Gandotra	VIC	David
		Aditya Joshi	VIC	David
		Rudransh Bhardwaj	VIC	David
		Shreya Ruth Nanda	VIC	Moses
2 nd	B	Tanya Upadhyay	VIB	David
		Aditi Pant	VIB	Moses
		Aditi Shukla	VIB	Solomon
		Devanshu Mishra	VIB	Moses

SPELL CHAMP : Anuroop Roy VI A, David House

RESULTS - (WINNERS)

NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
Niranjan K.	VII B	Moses
Manreet Kaur	VII B	Daniel
Riya Singh	VII B	David
Arman Mohanty	VII B	Moses

SPELL CHAMP : Ananya Pal VII A, Solomon House

8th : Inter House Spellathon was held for classes VI- VIII. Students actively took part in the event.

RESULTS

POSITION	TEAM	NAMES OF THE PARTICIPANTS	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	D	Alan Rajeev	VIII D	Moses
		P. Paul Jonathan	VIII D	Moses
		Ojaswita Tiwari	VIII D	Moses
		Priyanshi Banerjee	VIII D	Solomon
2 nd	C	Aviral Pulast	VIII B	David
		Divyanshi Singh	VIII B	Moses
		Joanna Antony	VIII B	David
		Ishita Vohra	VIII B	Moses
3 rd	A	Prachir Agarwal	VIII A	Solomon
		Ishita Mishra	VIII A	Daniel
		Gurleen Kaur Nayyar	VIII A	Daniel
		Aman Yadav	VIII A	David

SPELL CHAMP : Alan Rajeev, VIII D

INTER SECTION SPELLATHON

RESULTS

POSITION	TEAM	NAMES OF THE PARTICIPANTS	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	C	Soumya Ranjan Sahu	IX B	Daniel



2 nd	A	Sayan Saha	IX B	Solomon
		Garima Chaudhary	IX B	Moses
		Naimisha Srivastava	IX B	David
		Shreya Sharma	IX C	Solomon
		Samridhi Shashank	IX C	Daniel
		M. Siddharth	IX C	Moses
3 rd	B	Atharva Manu Sharma	IX C	Solomon
		Anjul Sharma	IX D	Solomon
		Pranjal Choudhary	IX D	Solomon
		Harshvardhan Chauhan	IX D	Daniel
		Sunit Basak	IX D	Moses

SPELL CHAMP : Pranjal Choudhary, IX D

INTER SECTION SPELLATHON RESULTS

POSITION	TEAM	NAMES OF THE PARTICIPANTS	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	B	Mayank Srivastava	X C	Daniel
		Kamya Singh	X C	Daniel
		Harshit Mishra	X C	David
		Akash Singh	X C	Daniel
2 nd	C	Aditi Chand	X B	Moses
		Prachi Singh	X B	Moses
		Kishlay Rana	X B	Solomon
		Shreya Kashyap	X B	Solomon
		Reda	X D	Daniel
3 rd	A	Shivangi Varshney	X D	Moses
		Sudhanshu Gupta	X D	David
		Siddhi Agarwal	X D	Moses

SPELL CHAMP : Reda, X D

INTER HOUSE SPELLATHON RESULTS

POSITION	TEAM	NAME OF THE PARTICIPANTS	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	A	Niranjan K.	VII B	Moses
		Himanshu Anand	VII C	
		Pranay Yadav	VII D	
		Alan Rajeev	VIII D	
2 nd	B	Sarwang Tiwari	VII C	Daniel
		Gaurav Raj	VII C	
		Harshita Dwivedi	VIII B	
		Rajarshi Mitra	VIII C	
2 nd	D	Varnika Bali Mathur	VI C	Solomon



Ananya Pal	VII A
Ramya Rana	VII D
Prachir Agrawal	VIII A

SPELL CHAMP : Niranjan K., VII B

8th : An Inter House Extemporary Competition was organised. Winners are as follows:

RESULTS

NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
Raj Lakshmi	IX D	David
Shraboni Roy	XC	David
Jassimrat Singh	XI D	Solomon
Hansuman	XII A	Daniel

10th : To felicitate the Academic Achievers of Class X & XII (2013-14), a Felicitation Ceremony was organized in the School. The programme began with a word of prayer, followed by a hymn and reading from the Holy Bible. The students presented a well orchestrated programme to celebrate the occasion. Among those present were the School authorities, teachers, toppers of A.I.S.S.C.E. (2013-14), students who notched 10 CGPA in class X examinations and the proud parents of the achievers. Honourable Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas honoured the young stalwarts with trophies and certificates and prayed for their glorious future.

11th : The students of classes IX-XII participated in the Science Symposium and prepared informative power-point presentations on Water Management, Waste Management, Satellites, Remote Sensing, Global Warming etc. which were appreciated by one and all. It was indeed an informative and learning experience.

14th-16th : Inter House Basket Ball Tournament was held. The students displayed great zeal and enthusiasm by participating in it.

MIDDLE SCHOOL (BOYS) CLASSES VI - VIII

RESULTS

POSITION	WINNERS	NAME
1 st	David House	Akhil Chauhan VII C, Karan Kuswaha VIII B, Om Tanmay Tripathi VIII B, Sachin Lakhera VIII C, Shubham Bhardwaj VIII B, Dhairya Mavi VII A, Mayank Khandelwal VI D, Vikram Singh VI D



POSITION	RUNNER UP	NAME
2 nd	MOSES	Sai Ram VII C, Krishna Kant Patel VIII B, Himanshu Anand VII C, Mohit Ranjan VIII C, Rohit Kumar VII A, Rohit Nagar VI A, Aayush Gupta VIII C, Blesson K Tomy VII B, Tarun Singh, VII D

CLASS VI - VIII GIRLS (RESULTS)

POSITION	WINNER	NAME
1 st	Solomon House	Kiran Preet Kaur VII A, Nisha Awana VIII C, Shambhavi Singh VIII C, Mansi Mahatha VIII D, Pooja Sharma VIII D, Deepanshi Garg VII C, Walusha Lovena Rodriguez VII C, Sweta Dubey VI A

POSITION	RUNNER UP	NAME
2 nd	Daniel House	Ishita Mishra VIII A, Manvi Sharma VIII D, Disha Singh VIII B, Drishti Garg VII A, Manpreet Kaur VII B, Swasti Bhardwaj VII C, Ridhima Singh VIII A, Sneha Sanwal VI D

SENIOR SCHOOL (GIRLS) CLASS IX - XII RESULTS

WINNERS - 1st POSITION

GIRLS (DAVID HOUSE)

NAME	CLASS
Ambika Thakur	XII A
Shubhika Marar	XII A
Karen Vanessa Pentafather	XII B
Gul Chopra	X C
Ayushi Khare	X A
Vaishali Bhati	XII A
Anadi Magar	IX C
Yashika Pal	IX D

BOYS (DANIEL HOUSE)

NAME	CLASS
Shahzaib Khan	XII C
Hansuman Chaudhary	XII A
Apurv Kumar Choubey	X A
Aditya Shrivastava	X B
Ayush Narendra Tripathi	XII B
Ankit Sharma	XII A

RUNNERS UP - 2nd POSITION

GIRLS (SOLOMON HOUSE)

NAME	CLASS
Shalni Srivastava	IX A
Riya Singh	IX D
Shiwani Rawat	IX D
Soumya	X D
Shreya Kashyap	X B
Anushka Singh	XI B
Rohini Chaudhary	XI D

BOYS (SOLOMON HOUSE)

NAME	CLASS
Suchayan Mondal	XII A
Rahul Sharma	X A
Shubham Vashishth	XII C
Pranjoy Gupta	XI C
Shubham Bhawal	X C
Sachin Awana	X C
Atul Mishra	XII D



Ayushi Rohela	XII C	Himanshu Sharma	XI C
Roopal Chauhan	XI D	Sonu Pal	X B

21st - 25th: ENVIRONMENT CONSERVATION IS LIFE PRESERVATION, keeping this vision in mind Environment Week was observed to make students sensitive and aware of the needs of the environment. Various activities were conducted during the celebration

21st : Workshop for classes XI and XII by Career Launchers was organised to facilitate them with the growing career options.

22nd : Inter Section Painting Competition Class VI - XII.

ENVIRONMENT WEEK

RESULTS

POSITION	NAME OF THE STUDENT	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Bhavika Choudhary	VI D	Daniel
2 nd	Anushree	VI C	David
3 rd	Gunjan Ahuja	VI A	David
1 st	Arman Mohanty	VII B	Moses
2 nd	Shreya Singhal	VII B	Solomon
3 rd	Ananya Singh	VII B	Solomon
1 st	Shashwat Datta	VIII D	Moses
2 nd	Ishita Mishra	VIII A	Daniel
3 rd	Poornima Sindhu	VIII A	David
1 st	Sagarika Chakraborti	IX A	Moses
2 nd	Sayan Saha	IX B	Solomon
3 rd	Ambika Walecha	IX A	Moses
1 st	Ranit Chatterjee	X C	David
2 nd	Prachi Singh	X B	Moses
3 rd	Abhit Singh	X A	Daniel
1 st	Mahima Bhati	XI A	Moses
2 nd	Prachi Chauhan	XI D	Solomon
3 rd	Akanksha Nigam	XI D	Solomon
1 st	Saumya Tripathi	XII C	Daniel
2 nd	Nidhi	XII C	David
3 rd	Vaibhavi Chaturvedi	XII A	Moses

23rd : The students of Somerville uphold the vision of 'Clean Earth-Green Earth' and follow it religiously. Environment week was celebrated from 24th to 28th July, 2014. A series of activities and competitions viz. Painting, Poster-making,



Campus Clean Day etc. were organized to promote eco-friendly attitude among students. The school also celebrated Arbour Day on July 26 where saplings were planted by the babies i.e. students from Nursery class and the senior most Class XII students planted saplings in and around the school thereby displaying a holistic attitude towards environment.

INTER SECTION QUIZ

CLASS VI - VIII ON 23.07.2014 : RESULTS

POSITION	TEAM	NAMES OF THE PARTICIPANTS	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	C	Samarth Gandotra Himanshu Anand Mohit Ranjan	VI C VII C VIII C	David Moses Moses
2 nd	B	Tanya Upadhyay Utkarsh Rai Riya Singh	VI B VII B VIII B	David Daniel Moses
3 rd	A	Mehek Choudhary Sarathak Srivastava Prachir Agrawal	VI A VII A VIII A	David Moses Solomon

24th : Inter House English Debate (classes IX-XII) was conducted as part of the Environment Week. The students articulated their views on Managing e-waste and created awareness to conserve environment.

RESULTS : CLASS IX & X

GROUP I

TOPIC : MANAGING E- WASTE IS THE NEED OF THE HOUR

POSITION :	TEAM	NAMES OF THE PARTICIPANTS	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	D	Sudhanshu Gupta (For The Motion) Akhil Ravi (Against The Motion) K. Manohar (Interjector)	X D IX A IX C	David
2 nd	A	Kishlay Rana (For The Motion) Aayush Mathur (Against The Motion) Rahul Sharma (Interjector)	X B X A X A	Solomon
2 nd	C	Sarathak Kanodia (For The Motion) Siddhi Agarwal (Against The Motion) Aditi Chand (Interjector)	X D X D X B	Moses
3 rd	B	Abhit Singh (For The Motion) Harsvardhan Chauhan (Against The Motion) Parth Gogia (Interjector)	X A IX D IX D	Daniel

BEST SPEAKER : Siddhi Agarwal, X D



RESULTS : CLASS XI & XII

GROUP II

TOPIC : THE DELUGE IN JAPAN IS A WAKE UP CALL TO STOP THE USAGE OF NUCLEAR POWER AS A SOURCE OF ENERGY.

POSITION	TEAM	NAMES OF THE PARTICIPANTS	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	B	Ananta Das (For The Motion) Ishani Bhattacharya (For The Motion) Protima Baneerjee (Interjector)	XII A XII A XI A	Daniel
2 nd	A	Roopal Chauhan (For The Motion) Sanya Monadeepa Claudius (Against The Motion) Archit Shukla (Interjector)	XI D XI D XI D	Solomon
3 rd	C	Shourya Mehrotra (For The Motion) Kashika (Against The Motion) Saumya Pal (Interjector)	XI B XI D XI C	Moses

BEST SPEAKER : Ananta Das, XII A

31st : Inter House Hindi Debate was held for class IX-XII.

RESULTS

POSITION	TEAM	NAMES OF THE PARTICIPANTS	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	D	Ayushi Rohela (For The Motion) Akanksha Nigam (Against The Motion)	XII C XI D	Solomon
2 nd	B	Pramanshi Singh (For The Motion) Ambika Walecha (Against The Motion)	IX A IX A	Moses
3 rd	C	Shivam Chauhan (For The Motion) Animesh Srivastava (Against The Motion)	X B XI A	Daniel

BEST SPEAKER :

For The Motion, Pramanshi Singh IX A (TEAM B - Moses House)

Against The Motion, Akanksha Nigam XI D (TEAM D - Solomon House)



Plant flowers in others' gardens and your life becomes a bouquet

2nd : READING MAKETH A MAN.A Workshop by Ms. Monisha Gupta on 'How to inculcate reading habits in students' was held. She suggested various methods to ensure regular reading in classroom. Teachers also participated in literary activities. It was an enriching experience.

4th : Inter Section Hindi Recitation was conducted for classes VI- VIII.

GROUP RESULTS

POSITION	CLASS	CLASS	CLASS
1 st	VI B	VII C	VIII C & VIII B
2 nd	VI D	VII D	VIII D
3 rd	VI C	VII B	

INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

POSITION	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Samarth Gandotra	VI C	David
2 nd	Lavanya Gupta	VI D	David
3 rd	Apekshita Aggarwal	VI A	Solomon
1 st	Rishabh Banerjee	VII D	David
2 nd	Riya Sinha	VII B	David
3 rd	Himanshu Anand	VII C	Moses
	Himanshu Tyagi	VII A	David
1 st	Muskan Gupta	VIII C	David
2 nd	Tanul Saxena	VIII B	David
3 rd	Manvi Sharma	VIII D	Daniel

5th : Inter Section Spellathon was held for class XI
An Essay Writing Competition was organized on the inspirational life of Shri. Pingali Venkayya.

6th : Our students participated in a quiz organised by ITS Engineering College, Greater NOIDA.

7th : Aptitude Test was organised by Career Launchers for classes X-XII
As part of the CBSE endeavour(Expression Series-A CBSE initiative), Sanskrit Week was celebrated. Students of classes IX-X participated in Kavita Rachna and exhibited their poetic face.

11th-14th: 'Patriotic Week' was celebrated to kindle the spirit of patriotism in students. Our school epitomized this sentiment as we celebrated Patriotic Week in the second week of August. We paid homage to the countless freedom fighters as we celebrated the 67th year of our independence. The students of our school were filled with patriotism and love for the country. Our school presented mélange of patriotic activities which created an atmosphere of national pride. Hindi Street Plays were presented by the students of Classes VI-XII tracing the atrocities and difficult times faced by our countrymen before India finally won



freedom at midnight on August 15, 1947 and also mirrored the evils still prevalent in our society from which we still have to attain independence.

14th : On the occasion of the 68th Independence Day, the students presented a special assembly pledged to take India to the zenith of glory.

15th : Dr. Mary Thomas, Principal, hoisted the National Flag and addressed the gathering. The junior school choir presented patriotic songs on the occasion.

19th : Inter-Section Hindi Recitation Competition for class IX was held.

GROUP RESULTS

POSITION	CLASS
1 st	IX D
2 nd	IX B
3 rd	IX A

INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

POSITION	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Pramanshi Singh	IX A	Moses
2 nd	Pratistha Yadav	IX B	David
3 rd	Atharva Manu Sharma	IX C	Daniel

20th : Workshop for teachers on 'Instructional Effectiveness' was conducted. Dr. Mary Thomas, Principal was the Resource Person. Ma'am spoke about the importance of following the principles of Bloom's Taxonomy in teaching methodology.

25th : Inter-Section Hindi Group Recitation for class X was held.

GROUP - RESULTS

POSITION	CLASS
1 st	XB
2 nd	XA
3 rd	XD

INDIVIDUAL - RESULTS

POSITION	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Siddhi Agarwal	XD	Moses
2 nd	Aditi Chand	XB	Moses
3 rd	Shivani Chauhan	XA	Daniel



25th - 27th: Inter Section English Group Recitation for classes VI to XI was conducted. Results are as follows:

RESULTS

POSITION	CLASS	CLASS	CLASS	CLASS
1 st	VIC	VII D	VIII C	IX A
2 nd	VIB	VII B	VIII B	IX D
3 rd	VIA	VII C	VIII D	IX B

POSITION	CLASS	CLASS
1 st	XC	XI D
2 nd	XD	XI A
3 rd	XA	XI B

27th : A workshop on 'Dream Career for the students of class X' was organized by Akash Institute in the A.V. Room. Students were given advice to choose a career according to their aptitude. It was a learning experience for the students. Lecture on Breast Cancer Awareness was held in the A.V Room. Dr. Manju Gupta from Jaypee Hospital educated the teachers on the issue.

September

Don't get discouraged, it's usually the last key in the bunch that opens the lock

1st : As an initiative of MHRD, 'Gurutsav' was celebrated wherein students wore their thinking caps and wrote inspirational stories about their teachers.

3rd : Teacher's Day was celebrated. Our students felicitated their teachers and acknowledged their contribution. A Special Assembly was organized to pay their solemn gratitude to their teachers. The programme commenced with the invoking of the Almighty followed by a cultural programme to make the day memorable for the teachers. The entire school was surrounded by a spirit of festivity and happiness. It was a day of delight for the teachers to see the plethora of talent displayed by their students on stage. As a token of love and respect the students presented handmade cards to Dr. Mary Thomas, Principal, and all the teachers.

3rd : An Art Competition was organised by NTPC in the school premises.



4th : Inter House Rangoli Competition and Camel Art Contest for classes I-XII were organised.

On 04.09.14 an Inter-house Rangoli Competition was held. The participants of all the four houses - DAVID, DANIEL, MOSES and SOLOMON were divided into three groups **Group A** Class VI, VII and VIII, **Group B** Class IX and X and **Group C** Class XI and XII. The theme for Group A was "Festivity", for Group B "God helps those who help others" and for group C "Live for today, hope for tomorrow". All the groups participated enthusiastically. After the competition was over the judges Ms. Nirupama Mallik, Ms. Rimi Soin and Ms. Swapna Bhattacharjee judged the competition. The participants for the events were as follows:

GROUP A

HOUSE	NAMES OF THE PARTICIPANTS	CLASS
Daniel	Disha Singh	VIII B
	Akanksha Thakur	VIII C
David	Muskan Gupta	VIII C
	Ankita Singh	VIII C
Moses	Dhrishti Khatri	VI D
	Prerna Poddar	VI D
Solomon	Pooja Sharma	VIII D
	Ananya Singh	VII B

GROUP B

HOUSE	NAMES OF THE PARTICIPANTS	CLASS
Daniel	Varsha Bhati	IX A
	Muskan Sharma	IX A
David	Shriya Singh	IX A
	Raj Laxmi	IX D
Moses	Prachi Singh	X B
	Natansh Kumar	X B
Solomon	Shalini Srivastava	IX A
	Sonu Pal	X B

GROUP C

HOUSE	NAMES OF THE PARTICIPANTS	CLASS
Daniel	Shrishti Chauhan	XII A
	Rakshita Chaudhary	XI C
David	Vaishali Bhati	XII A
	Divya Aggarwal	XII A
Moses	Vaibhavi Chaturvedi	XII A
	Sonakshi Gandotra	XII A
Solomon	Nikunj Topno	XI C
	Ira	XII C

INTER HOUSE RANGOLI COMPETITION RESULTS

GROUP A

POSITION	NAMES OF THE PARTICIPANTS	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Disha Singh Akanksha Thakur	VIII B VIII C	Daniel
2 nd	Pooja Sharma Ananya Singh	VIII D VII B	Solomon
3 rd	Muskan Gupta Ankita Singh	VIII C VIII C	David

GROUP B

POSITION	NAMES OF THE PARTICIPANTS	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Prachi Singh Natansh Kumar	X B X B	Moses
2 nd	Shriya Singh Raj Laxmi	IX A IX D	David
3 rd	Varsha Bhati Muskan Sharma	IX A IX A	Daniel

GROUP C

POSITION	NAMES OF THE PARTICIPANTS	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Nikunj Topno Ira	XI C XII C	Solomon
2 nd	Shrishti Chauhan Rakshita Chaudhary	XII A XI C	Daniel
3 rd	Vaishali Bhati Divya Aggarwal	XII A XII A	David

5th : It was a moment of jubilation and pride when our beloved Principal ma'am was conferred with the prestigious CBSE Teacher's award, this year. She was awarded by the Honourable HRD Minister, Smt. Smriti Zubin Irani on 04th September at Manekshaw Centre, Delhi for her meritorious contribution to the field of Education. Ma'am has been an eminent educationist and believes in absolute dedication to the job and determination that whether we win or lose, we must apply the best of ourselves in the task. Our school has attained glory and carved a niche for itself in NCR under her able and conscientious guidance.

5th : Joining hands with the Government, our teachers and students witnessed the live telecast of the Honourable Prime Minister, Mr. Narendra Modi's address to



the students late in the afternoon. It was an informative address and our students enjoyed a lot.

8th : To glorify the sacred bond of brother-sister love, an Inter Section Rakhee Making Competition was organized for the students of classes VI-X. Students took part in the competition wholeheartedly and made beautiful rakhees as a token of love.

19th-22nd: As part of the CBSE initiative, an Expression Series on Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya, a renowned thinker was held. An Essay writing Competition was organized to mark the occasion.

30th : Our beloved Principal ma'am was felicitated in a glittering Felicitation Ceremony by members of the School Management, PTA and Staff for being conferred with the prestigious CBSE Teacher's award, this year. She was awarded by the Honourable HRD Minister Smt. Smriti Zubin Irani on 04th September at Manekshaw Centre, Delhi for her meritorious contribution to the field of Education. A cultural extravaganza was organized by the school in her honour. The ceremony was graced by the esteemed members of Lott Carey Baptist Mission in India who congratulated her for winning the coveted award.

October

You must be the change you wish to see
in the world

1st : A special assembly was presented by the students on the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti depicting the ideology of Mahatma Gandhi. His life story has proven that it's possible to remain gentle in spirit, yet simultaneously command a huge amount of strength and respect. He said: "In a gentle way, you can shake the world." His gentle approach to life is a testimony to the fact that strength does not equal physical capacity.

2nd-31st: Swachh Bharat Abhiyan to accomplish the vision of 'Clean India' started by our Prime Minister, Mr Narendra Modi was observed enthusiastically in our school. In sync with this objective and according to the directives of CBSE and PMO, the School organized various activities from October 7 to October 31, 2014 to sensitize all the members of the school on the positive effects of cleanliness and also be an active part of this unique mission which will give all Indians a clean, healthy and happy future. The Swachh Bharat Swachh



Vidyalaya Campaign in the school was triggered off with a number of activities organized during the week wherein the students articulated their thoughts on cleanliness by making thought provoking posters, writing essays (both English and Hindi). A Cleanliness Drive was also organised.

9th-10th: Dr. Ivy Nelson Memorial Volley Ball Tournament for girls was held. Students from all schools participated enthusiastically. Somerville School, Vasundhara Enclave lifted the Champion's Trophy.

10th : Best Out of Waste Competition for classes VI to X was held. The results are as follows:

POSITION	NAME OF STUDENTS	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Urvi Thapliyal	VI A	Daniel
2 nd	Drishti khatr	VI D	Moses
3 rd	Tripti Soni	VI B	Moses
Consolation	Aditya Chauhan	VI D	David
1 st	Swasthi Bhardwaj	VII C	Daniel
2 nd	Ramya Rana	VII D	Solomon
3 rd	Nishant Joshi	VII C	David
Consolation	Himanshu Tyagi	VII A	David
1 st	Tanul Saxena	VIII B	David
2 nd	Devangna Sharma	VIII D	David
3 rd	Asmaa Bin Sohaib	VIII C	Moses
Consolation	Akanksha Gupta	VIII B	Solomon
1 st	Naimisha srivastava	IX B	David
2 nd	Himadri	IX D	Moses
3 rd	Aayushi Gaur	IX B	Daniel
Consolation	Abhas Gahlot	IX D	Solomon
1 st	Pragathi Singh	XA	Daniel
2 nd	Abhit Singh	XA	Daniel
3 rd	Sarthak Agarwal	XB	Daniel
Consolation	Priyank Gupta	XB	Solomon

13th : Inter Somerville Football Match. Various matches were played as part of the tournament and Somerville School, Vasundhara Enclave were the proud winners of the tournament.

31st : Our school paid tribute to the Iron Man of India, Sardar Vallabh Bhai Patel. Students pledged and took laps of the sports ground to mark the run for unity on the occasion of National Unity Day. A Poster-Making Competition was also organised.



November

There is nothing stronger in the world
than gentleness

- 7th : CBSE Expression Series on 'Young Scientific Minds of India' was held to celebrate the birth anniversary of the Science legend, Dr. C.V. Raman. An Essay Writing Competition was organised for the students of classes IX and X.
- 11th : Britannia Quiz was held for classes Nursery to XII in the school premises.
- 13th-15th: A CBSE Expression Series on 'Bal Swachhata Mission' was held. A workshop on importance of personal hygiene for girls was conducted by Ms. Mamta Mehrotra and Ms. Sheeba Antony. A similar workshop was held for boys.
- 14th : A Special Assembly was held on 14th November to commemorate the birthday of Pt. Jawahar Lal Nehru celebrated in the country as Children's Day. The teachers presented an enthralling assembly which delighted the students. The programme put up by teachers for their beloved students was power-packed with sensational performances as each performance was worth savouring.
- 17th : A Science Exhibition was organised for classes IX-XII. It was inaugurated by Mrs. D.A. Tressler, Chairperson / Director Somerville Schools. Young scientists of our school came up with brilliant working models and were highly appreciated.
- 22nd : Our school celebrated its Annual Cultural Fiesta with grandeur extraordinaire on 22nd November, 2014 at the Nelson Memorial Auditorium, NOIDA. The students staged a musical titled, 'Aladdin and the magic lamp' that transported the audience to the fictional Arabian land of Agrabah. The show involved most of the students of the school in a spectacular performance enriched with sublime music, resplendent costumes, magnificent set-ups, and mesmerizing dances.
- 28th-31st: The Annual Inter School Carnival of events 'Expressions 2014' was hosted by our school. A magical display of talents was exhibited by students of various schools. Expressions 2014 was inaugurated by Mr. Thomas T. Roy, Superintendent & Secretary/Treasurer and Manager Somerville Schools who did the honour of lighting the traditional lamp along with the Principal,

Dr. Mary Thomas. The event commenced with English Debate followed by 'Vers Libre'-English Poetry Recitation. The ardent enthusiasm shown by the participants was duly encouraged by the eminent judges. The other highlights of the carnival were Informatics, Sanskrit Shloka Chanting, Dance and the enchanting Music gala (both Indian and Western) which enthralled one and all. The much coveted winner's trophy for best participation was lifted by Somerville School, NOIDA which is a true vindication of all the hard work they had put in.

December

From caring, comes courage

- 1st-11th: W.C. Somerville Inter School Football Tournament was hosted by our school. A series of matches were played among eight schools of NOIDA and Greater NOIDA. The rolling trophy was lifted by our school while Aster Public School, Greater NOIDA were the Runners up. Vidit Sharma of class IX C was adjudged as the best player of the tournament.
- 6th : A special assembly was organised to felicitate the students who had won prizes in various Inter School Activities.
- 11th : Students expressed their poetic instinct to commemorate the poetic patriot, Subramaniam Bharati as part of the CBSE Expression Series.
- 16th-22th: 'GANIT (Growing Aptitude in Numerical Innovations & Training) WEEK', was organised by CBSE to invoke interest of the students in Mathematics. Various activities were organised to mark the birth anniversary of Shri. Srinivasa Ramanujam.
- 20th : Christmas celebrations took place in the school premises. In keeping with the Christmas spirit, the whole school wore a festive look and was tastefully decorated. The sweet little ones of Junior School made this festive season wonderful and colourful by presenting a skit related to the Nativity of Lord Jesus Christ followed by a dance and Christmas carols. Speaking on the occasion Dr. Mary Thomas, Principal extended her warm greetings and advised the students to follow the path shown by Lord Jesus Christ.



January

A Goal without a Plan is just a Wish

- 12th -17th:** As initiated by CBSE, activities and workshops were conducted on 'Road Safety' for the students. The students displayed banners on road safety. Special workshops on road safety were conducted for students and drivers as part of this initiative.
- 12th :** As part of the CBSE initiative, an essay writing competition was organised on Swami Vivekananda's Birth Anniversary. Students wrote essays highlighting his principles and teachings.
- 15- 20th:** Poems were composed by the students as a part of Expression Series to honour the eminent poet, Thiruvalluvar.
- 11th :** Britannia Quiz was held for classes Nursery to XII in the school.
- 16th -23rd:** Computer Week: The world is computer savvy today and as part of the school curriculum, Information Technology is taught at school level.
Inter House Computer quiz for classes VI to VIII was conducted to analyse their skills in Information Technology.
- 17th :** The students of classes IX to X participated in Inter House Computer Quiz.

RESULTS

EVENT : COMPUTER QUIZ

POSITION	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Samarth Gandotra	VI C	David
	Sanat Rajput		Solomon
2 nd	Sneha Sanwal	VI D	Daniel
	Lavanya Gupta		David
3 rd	Vanisha Tyagi	VI A	David
	Vachan Shetty		Daniel

EVENT: QUIZ

POSITION	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Sunit Basak	IX D	Moses
	Sankalp Sharma		Moses
	Harsh Vardhan Chauhan		Daniel

2 nd	Abhijeet Prasad Nishit Singh M. Siddharth	IX C	David David Moses
3 rd	Aman Mishra Ashish Raj Abhishek Chaurasia	IX A	Solomon David Daniel

EVENT: QBASIC PROGRAMMING

POSITION	NAMES	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Kunal Dhingra Aditya Chauhan	VII A VII A	Moses Daniel
2 nd	Archas Srivastava Pranay Yadav	VII D VII D	Moses Moses
3 rd	Vibhor Chauhan Niranjan K.	VII B VII B	Daniel Moses

EVENT: C++ PROGRAMMING

POSITION	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Shalini Kumar	XI C	David
2 nd	Shivangi Singh	XI C	Daniel
1 st	Princy Pathak	XI B	David
2 nd	Priyanka Rana	XI B	Moses
1 st	Arpit Sharma	XI C	Daniel
2 nd	Nishant Prakash	XI C	Moses

EVENT: QUIZ

POSITION	NAMES	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Sunit Basak Sankalp Sharma Harsh Vardhan Chauhan	IX D IX D IX D	Moses Moses Daniel
2 nd	Abhijeet Prasad Nishit Singh M. Siddharth	IX C IX C IX C	David David Moses
3 rd	Aman Mishra Ashish Raj Abhishek Chaurasia	IX A IX A IX A	Solomon David Daniel

EVENT: SYMPOSIUM**GROUP A: NET NEUTRALITY**

POSITION	NAMES	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Prachi Singh Aditi Chand	XB XB	Moses Moses



2 nd	Urvi Sharma	XD	Daniel
	Sarthak Agarwal	XB	Daniel
3 rd	Ranit Chatterjee	XC	David
	Shraboni Roy	XC	David

GROUP B : SAFE CYBERNETICS

POSITION	NAMES	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Mayank Srivastava	XC	Daniel
	Shivang Gupta	XC	Daniel
2 nd	Sarthak Kanodia	XD	Moses
	Abdullah Bin Sohaib	XD	Moses
3 rd	Sudhanshu Gupta	XD	David
	Sumit Tomar	XD	David

EVENT : C++ PROGRAMMING

POSITION	NAMES	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Shalini Kumar	XIC	David
	Shivangi Singh	XIC	Daniel
2 nd	Princy Pathak	XIB	David
	Priyanka Rana	XIB	Moses
3 rd	Arpit Sharma	XIC	Daniel
	Nishant Prakash	XIC	Moses

EVENT : HTML WEBPAGE DESIGNING

POSITION	NAMES	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Prachir Agrawal	VIII A	Solomon
	Sidharth Yadav	VIII A	Daniel
2 nd	Aviral Pulast	VIII B	David
	Shubham Bhardwaj	VIII B	David
3 rd	Sheik Malaika Kalia	VIII A	Daniel
	Shikha Nishad	VIII A	Daniel

21st-28th: An Essay Writing Competition was organised to celebrate the birth anniversary of Freedom Fighters Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose and Lala Lajpat Rai who laid down their lives for our country.

22nd : Foreign delegates of Lott Carey Baptist Mission visited the school. The delegation took a tour of the school and interacted with the staff and students and were quite impressed with the cognitive and creative abilities of our students. The team spent a couple of hours at the school evaluating the



involvement and participation of children in the conduct of education. A Cultural Programme was organized in Nelson Memorial Auditorium in their honour. It was a memorable and enriching experience for one and all.

23rd : To bring in the spirit of patriotism, a special assembly was organised by the students of class XI.

25th : A special assembly was organized on the occasion of Republic Day.

26th : The school celebrated 65th Republic Day. The National Flag was hoisted and the patriotic spirit was ignited yet again. The whole campus resounded with the spirit of nationalism when the Indian Music Choir presented melodious patriotic songs. Honourable Principal Ma'am, Dr. Mary Thomas addressed the gathering emphasizing on the need to abide by the principles laid down in the Constitution of India and create a progressed and prosperous India.

29th : Inter House Proverb Enactment was held for classes VI- VIII. Students displayed their acting talent and also brought the proverbs alive through their performances.

INTER HOUSE PROVERB ENACTMENT COMPETITION 2014-15 (ENGLISH)

RESULTS			
POSITION	NAMES	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Rishabh Banerjee	VII D	David
	Himanshu Tyagi	VII A	
	Vaishnavi Srivastava	VII B	
	Samarth Gandotra	VI C	
	Rudransh Bharadwaj	VI C	
2 nd	Prachir Agrawal	VIII A	Solomon
	Priyanshi Banerjee	VIII D	
	Ananya Pal	VII A	
	Walusha Lovenia Rodriguez	VII C	
	Aryan Singh	VI C	
3 rd	Varnika Bali Mathur	VI C	Moses
	Puneet Kasana	VII B	
	Kunal Dhingra	VII A	
	Niranjana K.	VII B	
	Mohit Ranjan	VIII C	
	Manas Bhatt	VIII C	
	Sagar Mittal	VIII C	
	Archas Srivastava	VII D	



INTER HOUSE PROVERB ENACTMENT COMPETITION 2014 -15 (HINDI)

RESULTS

POSITION	NAMES	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Ishu Sharma	VIII B	Solomon
	Shreyansh Chaturvedi	VIII A	
	Vidit Chauhan	VIII A	
	Shivam Thakur	VIII C	
	Nisha Awana	VIII C	
	Anurag Sharma	VIII D	
	Manasvi Garg	VIII B	
	Ananya Singh	VII B	
	Samaksh Gupta	VII D	
	Piyush Pandey	VII A	
	Drishti Khatri	VI D	
	Aditi Pande	VII A	
	M. Sairam	VII C	
	Himanshu Anand	VII C	
2 nd	Anurag Pradhan	VI C	Moses
	Harsh Nagar	VI D	
	Devansh Sharma	VI A	
	Devender Verma	VI B	
	Sakshi Arora	VII B	
	Parul Sharda	VII B	
	Mohit Awasthi	VII B	
	Sarthak Gupta	VIII C	
	Kunwar Vikramjeet Singh	VIII D	
	Shatakshi Tripathi	VIII B	
3 rd	Muskan Gupta	VIII C	David
	Astha Upadhyay	VIII C	
	Rachi Agarwal	VIII D	
	Ishi Ribhu	VIII A	

30th : Homage was paid to the Father of Our Nation on Martyr's Day. A special assembly was organised by the students.

30th : Martyr's Day was observed. Mahatma Gandhi's teachings of Satya, Ahimsa, Swadeshi, i.e., Truth, Non-violence and Self reliance were pondered over. The school observed two minutes silence in his honour and pledged to follow his footsteps.



31st : Benediction Ceremony was conducted for the outgoing students of class XII. Students were bid farewell and were blessed by our Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas and all the teachers of class XII. This solemn ceremony concluded with the gifting of mementos. Refreshments were served to the students.

February

There is no substitute for hard work

2nd : Inter House Indian Music Competition was organised. The theme of the solo and group song was Sufi and Qawwali respectively.

RESULTS

SOLO : SUFI

POSITION	NAMES	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Bhumika Yadav	X C	Daniel
	Vaibhavi Sathi	XI C	Moses
2 nd	Maneesh Kumar Rawal	IX A	David
3 rd	Muhammad Hamza	IX B	Solomon

DUET : INSTRUMENTAL (TABLA)

POSITION	NAMES	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	Shrey Bhardwaj	X A	Moses
	Nishant Sharma	IX C	Moses
2 nd	Sachin Lakhera	VIII C	David
	Ranit Chatterjee	X C	David
3 rd	Shashank Verma	X C	Daniel
	Apurv K. Choubey	X A	Daniel

GROUP - QAWWALI

1st POSITION

MOSES HOUSE

Vaibhavi Sathi, XI C
Priyanka Rana, XI B
Swati Sharma, IX A
Rupal Shekhawat, X C
Puneet Kasana, VII B
Pramanshi Singh, IX A
Harshit Garg, X D
Rohan Jain, IX C
Sankalp Sharma, IX D

2nd POSITION

DANIEL HOUSE

Shivani Tripathi, X D
R. Akshaya, X D
Mayank Srivastava, X C
Bhumika Yadav, X C
Harshit Kumar, IX B
Shayon Sharma, IX C
Shaina Jain, IX B
Surbhi Kaul, VII D
Adarsh Chandra, VI D

3rd POSITION

SOLOMON HOUSE

Sanchali Antal, VIII A
Varnika Bali Mathur, VI C
Simarpreet Singh Bharara, VI C
Vidit Chauhan, VIII A
Shivam Panwar, VIII A
Ishu Sharma, VIII B
Sanjana Awana, VI B
Sanat Rajput, VI C
Manasvi Garg, VIII B



M. Siddharth, IX C
Anwesha Mondal, X B
Vidushi Mahatha, VIII A
Tripti Soni, VI B
Simarjeet Kaur, VI B
Ashish Rawat, X B
Shrey Bhardwaj, X A
Nishant Sharma, IX C
Anyia Som, VII D

Shivani Chauhan, X A
Vaishnavi, X A
Tashie Gautam, X A
Animesh Shrivastava, XI A
Nikunj Bansal, XI D
Siddharth Yadav, VIII A
Aman Gaur, IX D

Muhammad Hamza, IX B
Abhinav Chakravarty, IX B
Sukriti Bansal, XI A
Aryan Singh, VI C
Ojasva, VI C
Ramya Rana, VII D
Sweta Dubey, VI A

6th : Inter House Dance Competition was organised based on the theme of 'Folk Dance'. Folk dances from various states of India were staged and students gave exemplary performances.

RESULTS

1st POSITION

DANIEL HOUSE

Manreet Kaur, VII B
Nikita Khari, VII D
Surbhi Kaul, VII D
Drishti Garg, VII A
Manvi Sharma, VIII D
Mahi Lohiya, VIII D
Himani Bhati, VIII D
Akanksha Thakur, VIII C
Disha Singh, VIII B
Bhumika Yadav, X C
Aman Kumar, X D
Muskan Sharma, IX A
Manisha Nautiyal, IX A

2nd POSITION

SOLOMON HOUSE

Priyanshi Banerjee, VIII D
Shruti Gupta, VI A
Apekshita Aggarwal, VI A
Viola Sharma, VI B
Shreya Singhal, VII B
Nikita Sharma, VII A
Shruti Singh, VII D
Riya Singh, IX D
Shiwani Rawat, IX D
Siddharth Duneria, IX D
Shashwat Sharma, IX D
Sahil Goyal, VIII A

3rd POSITION

MOSES & DAVID HOUSE

Pramanshi Singh, IX A
Tanya Som, VII D
Pavitra Joshi, X C
Prachi Singh, X B
Anandita Tyagi, VIII A
Vidushi Mahatha, VIII A
Shivangi Varshney, X D
Supreet Kaur, IX B
Nishtha Chitara, IX B
Prerna Poddar, VI D
Kunal Chauhan, X D
Arpit Sharma, X D

DAVID HOUSE

Mehak Choudhury, VI A
Hardika Saini, VII B
Kalpana Sharma, VII D
Sakshi Arora, VII B
Nishita Sharma, VIII A
Devangna Sharma, VIII D
Rachi Agarwal, VIII D
Samridhi Shashank, IX C
Deeksha Raman, IX C
Rajlakshmi, IX D
Ayushi Khare, X A
Shraboni Roy, X C
Tapisha Bhati, VIII A
Ishi Ribhu, VIII A



12th : An Inter House Western Music Competition was organised to bring out the talent of the students in music. Students gave commendable performance and left everyone spellbound with their mellifluous presentations.

RESULTS

MALE SOLO

POSITION	NAMES	CLASS
1 st	Lakshya Garg	XA
2 nd	Aditya Rathi	XD
	Karan Dev	XD
3 rd	Samar Singh Rathore	XC

FEMALE SOLO

POSITION	NAMES	CLASS
1 st	Angela Wilson	XI A
2 nd	Manasvi Rana	XB
	Praggya Aggarwal	XB
3 rd	Aditi Pande	VII A

DUET

POSITION	NAMES	CLASS
1 st	Gautam Pandey	IX A
	Akhil Ravi	IX A
2 nd	Priyank Gupta	XB
	Manasvi Rana	XB
3 rd	Angela Wilson	XI A
	Asmita Verma	XA

GROUP

POSITION	TEAM	HOUSE
1 st	Team D	David
2 nd	Team C	Solomon
3 rd	Team B	Daniel

OVERALL WINNERS: DAVID HOUSE

WINNERS

GROUP (GOSPEL)

1st POSITION

TEAM D

DAVID HOUSE

Chethan K., VI A

Gunjan Ahuja, VI A

2nd POSITION

TEAM C

SOLOMON HOUSE

Sanchali Antal, VIII A

Vidit Chauhan, VIII A

3rd POSITION

TEAM D

DANIEL HOUSE

Pragya Jain, VIII C

Swati Srivastava, VIII C



Shobit Marar, VI B	Shreyansh Chaturvedi, VIII A	Mallika Bandyopadhyay, IX B
Aditya Joshi, VI C	Mansi Mahatta, VIII D	Aayushi Gaur, IX B
Mansi Pandey, VI C	Varnika Bali Mathur, VI A	Shaina Jain, IX B
Rudransh Bharadwaj, VI C	Mukul Pratap Singh, X A	Harshit Kumar, IX B
Himanshu Tyagi, VII A	Karan Mohan, X D	Kirtika Singh, IX B
Parul Sharda, VII B	Abhinav Chakravarty, IX B	Sejal Pankaj Agarwal, VII C
Prathyush Prakash, VII B	Aman Mishra, IX A	Tisha Goyal, VII A
Mohit Awasthi, VII B	Khyati Srivastava, VIII C	Rheanna Ghosh, VI D
Akhil Chauhan, VII C	Nisha Awana, VIII C	Prince P. Abraham, VIII B
Ishi Ribhu, VIII A	Utkarsh Singh, VII C	Vibhor Chauhan, VII B
Muskan Gupta, VIII C	Manasvi Rana, X B	Gurleen Kaur Nayyar, VII A
Sulagana Dash, VIII C	Sourish Yadav, VI A	Aditya Silwal, VIII A
Astha Upadhyay, VIII C	Priyank Gupta, X B	Vachan Shetty, VI A
Nipun Topno, VIII D	Aditya Pandey, VII A	Animesh Srivastava, VI A
Himanshu Manna, VIII C	Gagan Varshney, VII B	Angela Wilson, XI A
Gautam Pandey, IX A	Anjali Poddar, IX A	Nancy Chaudhary, XI D
Shriya Singh, IX A	Apoorva Gupta, VI A	Asmita Verma, X A
Akhil Ravi, IX A	Mayank Sonker, X A	Navrachit Kulshrestha, IX A
Piyush Pant, IX B	Shreya Goyal, IX A	Navsrajit Kulshrestha, VI D
Prerna Verma, IX B	Vranda Singh, IX C	Smera Patnaik, IX A
Nishit Singh, IX C	Walusha Lovenia Rodriguez, VII C	Hardik Gupta, VI B
K. Manohar, IX C		Karan Veersingh, VI C
Lakshya Garg, X A		Smriti Singh, VI D
Udit Gupta, X B		Mayank Srivastava, X C
Praggya Aggarwal, X B		Samar Singh Rathore, X C
Aastha Gupta, X C		Shivam Bhatia, X B

18th : Inter House Vegetable Carving and Flower Arrangement Competitions were conducted for the students of classes VIII-XI. It was an excellent display of colours blended with innovative ideas. The theme was 'Mission to Mars' and 'Ikebana'.

INTER HOUSE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT COMPETITION

GROUP I

POSITION	TEAM	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	A	Akanksha Thakur	VIII C	Daniel
		Runjhun Sagar	VIII C	Daniel
2 nd	C	Priyanshi Banerjee	VIII D	Solomon
		Pooja Sharma	VIII D	Solomon
3 rd	D	Garima Chaudhary	IX B	Moses
		M. Siddharth	IX C	Moses

**GROUP II**

POSITION	TEAM	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	D	Siddhi Agarwal	X D	Moses
		Natansh Kumar	X B	Moses
2 nd	C	Nikunj Topno	IX C	Solomon
		Anusha Maurya	X C	Solomon
3 rd	B	Khushboo Bhardwaj	X A	David
		Merin Jose	XI B	David

INTER HOUSE VEGETABLE CARVING**GROUP I**

POSITION	TEAM	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	B	Muskan Gupta	VIII C	David
		Ankita Singh	VIII C	David
2 nd	A	Harshvardhan Chauhan	IX D	Daniel
		Santanu Saha	IX D	Daniel
3 rd	D	Riya Singh	VIII B	Moses
		Tanya Vats	VIII B	Moses

GROUP II

POSITION	TEAM	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 st	D	Aditi Chand	X B	Moses
		Prachi Singh	X B	Moses
2 nd	B	Anuja Jaiswal	XI D	David
		Rajeshwari Mitra	X D	David
3 rd	A	Rakshita Chaudhary	XI C	Daniel
		Karishma Mohan	XI C	Daniel

21st : MATRABHASHA DIWAS was celebrated. Various alphabets from languages of various states were displayed, emphasizing the importance of the Mother Tongue.

March

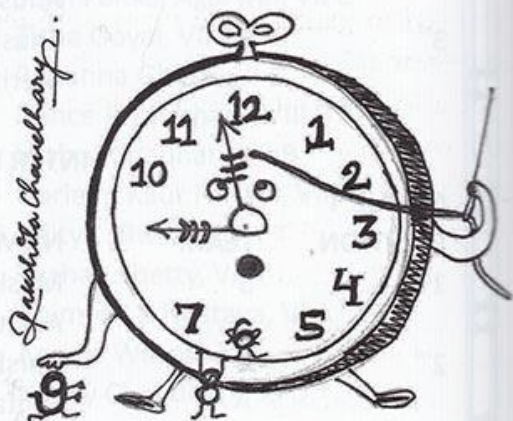
Everything that is done in the world is
done by hope



"Our Budding Writers"

A stitch in time saves nine

Those who understand the value of time, reap the pleasures of life. Those who don't, they have to satisfy themselves by only dreaming of these pleasures. Time is something which cannot be brought back by any human power; and it doesn't wait for anyone. Punctual and disciplined people, who respect time, are always happy and satisfied. While people without proper timetable are always tensed and worried and always regret in the end. We often hear about people regretting when they realise that they didn't do something at the right time. After all, even successful people like Albert Einstein, Steve Jobs, Madam Marie Curie and John Lennon also didn't have an extra hour a day. If we read the biographies of famous people, we'll find that all of them emphasised on the importance of utilising time wisely. Therefore, we should learn from these examples, and understand the message conveyed by the proverb 'A stitch in time saves nine', at the right time!



---Kishlay Rana, X B

EXAMINATIONS

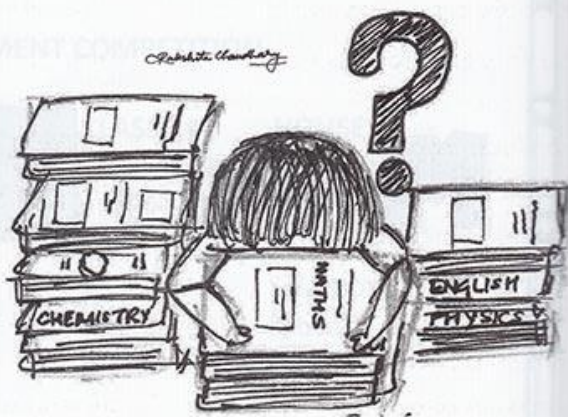
This word has its own importance in our lives EXAMINATIONS! Each and every student knows about it. From the day we start schooling we have tests and as we become older we continue to take examinations. Even to take admission in a school we have to appear for a test. We also have examinations in college. But there is one examination that never ends, from the day we are born till the last day, 'The Examination of Life'. Examination is not only limited to school and college, it has a broader meaning. We come across many different situations in our daily life which are just like exams. Whether we pass or fail we have to attempt it and we need to give our best. No one is perfect, everyone tries to be better. We give examination of trust, honesty, loyalty, our determination and we also often test our companions and family.

I feel everyone is not comfortable enough to face school examination. Many end their life in the fear of failing. It's not only their mistake that they are scared of "exam". It's the mistake of the society, parents and peer pressure. Rather than consoling a failure, everyone mocks at the person. They are treated like inferiors. This becomes a topic of debate for the people around. Ending this blessed and beautiful life is not a solution to this. We need to change our attitude towards this.

In my opinion the one who fears this pen paper exam will never be able to pass the 'examination of life'. One might think what is the examination of life? It is just that we become a good person, kind and helpful one, the one who respects others, one who is honest with oneself and others. The person who achieves these qualities passes the examination of life.

Therefore "It is better to try than to fail".

---Saksham Mitra, XI B



Reality shows are not real

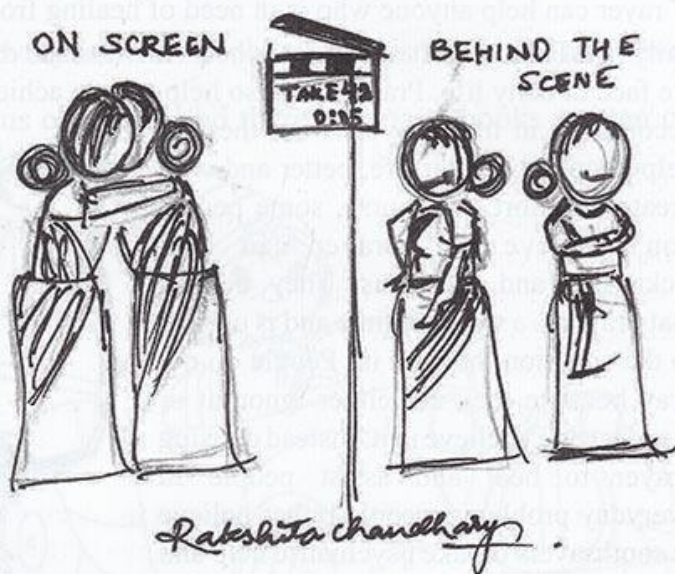
The spontaneity, the humour and the glamour that surrounds many reality shows these days have contributed to their immense success. Astonishingly enough, these reality shows have managed to garner more viewership than many conventional soap operas. Their immense popularity amongst the audiences sheds light upon how we humans like things 'raw'. Raw emotions and feelings exhibited in reality shows tend to be more appreciated than the glycerine induced tears. However, a question often arises, how real are reality shows?

Most of the reality shows cast ordinary people; however the most popular ones cast known, if not well known people. This is perhaps the reason,

people like to see how the 'picture perfect' people appear in real life. The audience derives immense pleasure out of the sheer randomness displayed in the programmes, however a question seldom asked is, why would these so-called known people make a mockery of themselves in front of national, sometimes international television? Why would they, simply for five minutes of entertainment, put their entire public image under scrutiny?

It's quite comprehensive that reality shows are strategically formatted; media hyped gimmicks which are solely produced to delude the people. Reality shows, for most part, are not real since authenticity and genuineness cannot possibly be encapsulated in television programmes.

---Atoshi Bhattacharya, IX D



Are reality shows real?

People are beginning to realize how unreal reality shows are. From selecting contestants to doing the show, the entire episode is staged. The producers of reality shows have their scripts ready beforehand. They know what they are going to show. These people use a wide range of tactics to exploit the viewers' thoughts and opinions. Reality shows like 'Man Vs Wild', 'Khatron Ke Khiladi' are basically carriers of cruel hoaxes. Otherwise you only wonder how a man can climb the mountains of Grand Canyon in ten minutes or jump from a plane that is 20,000 feet high in the sky without any parachute. The contestants are told beforehand what to enact in the show.

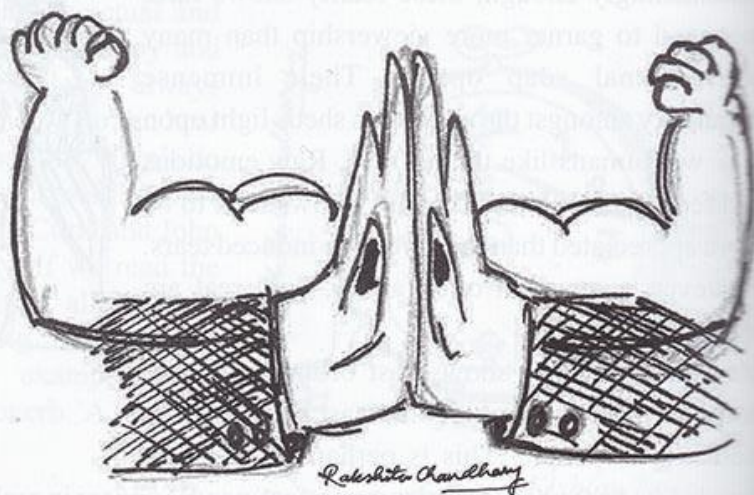
These types of shows convince us of fantasies which do not happen in real life. They have been carefully set up to manipulate our minds and convince us of certain opinions. It has also been constructed to predict the outcomes of events and are meticulously written so as not to draw the attention to a predetermined script.

---Surajit Chakrabarti, IX D

THE POWER OF PRAYER

Prayer can help anyone who is in need of healing from sickness, disease or problems that interfere with daily life. People don't only pray to heal sickness and disease but it can also help people heal problems that we face in daily life. Prayer can also help people achieve goals, dreams and other tasks they may want to accomplish in life. Prayer is out there to help people live their life, better and with greater comfort. Of course, some people don't believe that prayer can heal sicknesses and problems. They believe that prayer is a waste of time and is useless to the situation they are in. People do not pray because they are either ignorant or they just don't believe in it. Instead of using prayer to heal and assist people in everyday problems, people rather believe in soothsayers or take psychiatric help and waste a lot of money.

---Apekshita Aggarwal, VI A



Prayer is a conversation with God. Prayer has an important role in our life. The power of prayer strengthens us to move on in life. Prayer is something which helps us to connect with God. The power of prayer helps the person to conquer even the impossible task. One must never forget to pray. Prayer is something which God wants us to do to feel blessed by the Lord, our God. Through prayer we can express our feelings to God. We should remember that power of prayer keeps us connected with God.

---Shreya Ruth Nanda, VIC



Prayer is such a powerful force. If you realize its power, you will never feel hopeless. Prayer is a direct communication with God. If we hear an ambulance or walk past a hospital, we should say a quick prayer for whoever is sick and for their kith and kin. Whenever we see someone in difficulty, we must say a prayer for him or her. We must pray for other people including people in the world whom we have never met. Each one of us must know and value the power of prayer.

---Mansi Pandey, VIC

My Favourite Character

My favourite character is Noddy, created by Enid Blyton. He is my favourite character because he is cute and very helpful. Noddy always rescues everyone from problems. He is very good and never does anything to hurt others. Noddy is a famous character and there are many books written on Noddy by Enid Blyton. I have read many books on Noddy and all are funny and interesting. Noddy lived alone in his house and he wore a red top and blue pants with polka dots. I like his sense of dressing. That is why Noddy is my favourite character.

---Tanya Upadhyaya, VI B



Where There's A Will, There's A Way

There's nothing impossible in this world. It is only the need of determination which brings success. A human who has a strong will can do wonders. The power of human will is extraordinary. Sometimes when we get a task we think or say that it is impossible to complete it or many get frightened. But some of them complete the task and fairly struggle towards their ideal goals.

Sometimes the smaller things like waking up early morning, studying for a specific hour, need lot of determination and strong will. Sometimes when we get the tasks we often postpone them out of our laziness and later become answerable to higher authorities.

Failures are stepping stones to success. One needs to overcome failures to reach their aim. So, we should have a strong will and desire and determination in leading a life pleasing to God and must strive hard in achieving our aim.

---Pritam Singh, VI B





MY FRIEND'S BIRTHDAY

Today was my friend's birthday,
and I forgot to buy her a gift
I was worried she'd find out,
with punishment and a twist.
When I heard the doorbell,
my sweat combined with stress.
Her reaction and disappointment,
I tried not to think or guess.
It was very late to drive,
To a flower shop or a store.
I wished her happy birthday,
As I opened the door.
Gave her the printed card,
With a hug and a kiss.
She was more than happy,
I knew she was in bliss.
Asked her for a candlelight,
cause it was a special meal together.
She said that's alright,
but she couldn't wait to share another.
As I smiled in relief,
I woke up from this dream.
realized it's her birthday,
and began to run and scream.

---Samaira Kashyap, VI B

The Beautiful Nature



The branches sway to and fro
The birds seem to come and go
The setting sun is a fascinating sight
That gives me immense joy and delight
The cold breeze just goes over the heads
The blooming flowers are making soft beds
This is the nature's beauty
This is more than pretty.....
In the early morning the dew on the leaf
Makes the tree, look fresh from cliff
The air that is free
Gives you and me a pleasant feel
The cold air
Wandering here and there
Indicates the arrival of spring
Which makes you fall in the nature's blessed lap
Now I am sure that you will feel
The nature can steal
All your stress
And force you to express
The joy to God for all His creation
The joy to your heart for all your emotion
So this was the beauty of nature
That's God's beautiful and kind creation.

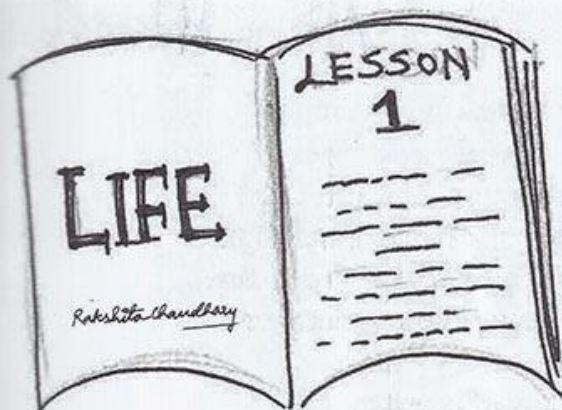
---Vaishnavi, VII B

Lessons of Life

My Dear Mother

Don't drive faster than your
Guardian angel can fly
Don't say I love you,
If you plan to say goodbye
Do to others only,
What you'd want done to you
And never be ashamed
Of anything you do!

It sounds so very simple,



Is it a piece of cake?
But, clearly we are just humans,
With our mistakes to make
So always strive hard
To be the best you can
Never take shortcuts
That might hurt your fellow man.
So, walk straight and narrow,
If temptation summons you.
And make the Angels proud
Of everything you do!

---Ritika Sharma, VI B



Since I was born
She gave her life to me
When I cried
She made me laugh.
In your presence I feel the gates of heaven open
When I do something wrong
She taught me
When I fall
She picked me up
You are my Almighty light
Without you my life is in darkness
I can't describe you with any words
My dear mother
You are the greatest of all
But, I thank God for giving
me such a wonderful mother!

---Rheanna Ghosh, VI D

Terrorism: The Cause And The Remedy

The act which is only destructive and inflicts us is terrorism. In such an act human values are lost in the process of achieving the goal.

Some of the factors that lead to terrorism are:-

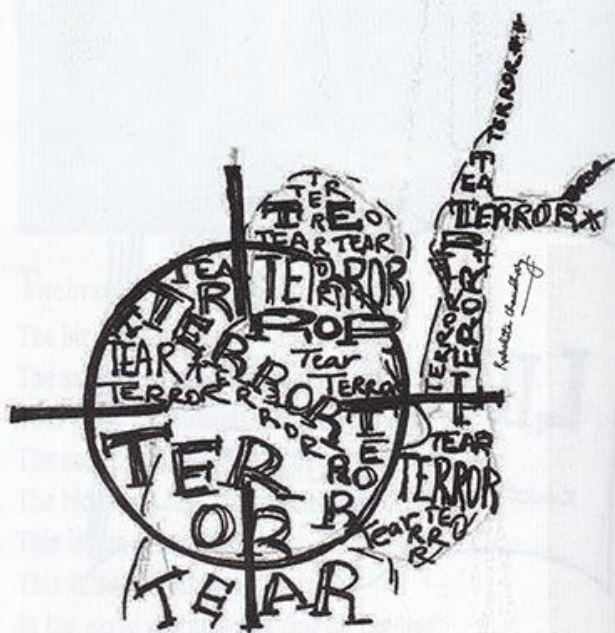
- Frustration and desperation in achieving a goal.
- Confused emotions.
- Short sightedness and impulsive action.
- Belief in a non-verifiable concept of God, where God favours some and is angry with others, undermining the omniscience and omnipotence of the divine.

Terrorism induces fear psychosis in everyone, increases poverty, suffering and loss of life with no apparent gain. Instead of life supporting solutions the terrorist chooses destruction as an answer. If you criticise without giving a solution, know that it comes from the seed of terrorism.

Although there are certain qualities you can appreciate in a terrorist such as fearlessness, commitment to a goal, and sacrifice, you must learn from them what one should never do.

- The remedy for terrorism is:-
- Inculcating a broader perspective of life.
- Value life more than race, religion and nationality.
- Providing education on human values friendliness, compassion co-operation and upliftment.
- Teaching methods to release stress and tension.
- Cultivating confidence in achieving noble aims by peaceful and non violent means.
- Weeding off destructive tendencies with spiritual upliftment.

---Yashodhan, VII B



Farewell



Bidding Adieu to Mrs. Ira Tiwari



Ira Ma'am receiving a token of love from Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas



We will miss you Ms. Katherine McIntosh



Kathy Ma'am receiving a token of love from Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas



Fare thee well Martin Sir



Mr. Martin receives a token of appreciation from Mr. Thomas T. Roy

Just a note to say, may good luck and success be your's always

Art and Craft



A riot of Colours

Visit of the The Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Mission Convention Team



Primary students welcome the esteemed guests



Our distinguished guests with the honourable management and Principal Dr. Mary Thomas



Full of praises as students execute their creativity in the Work Experience room

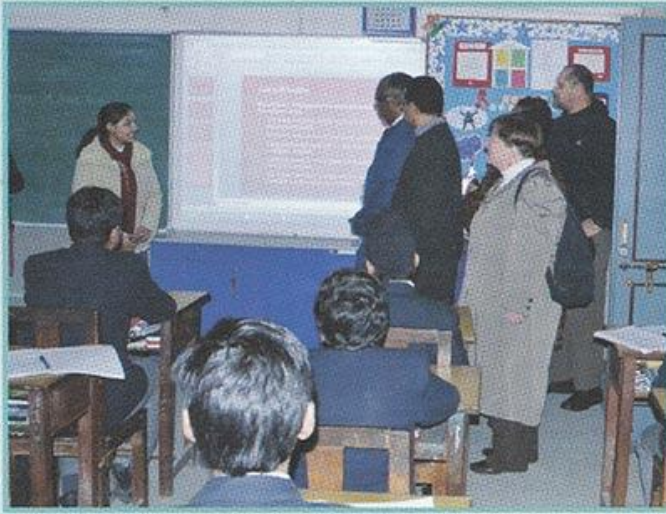


A visit to the world of knowledge - The Library

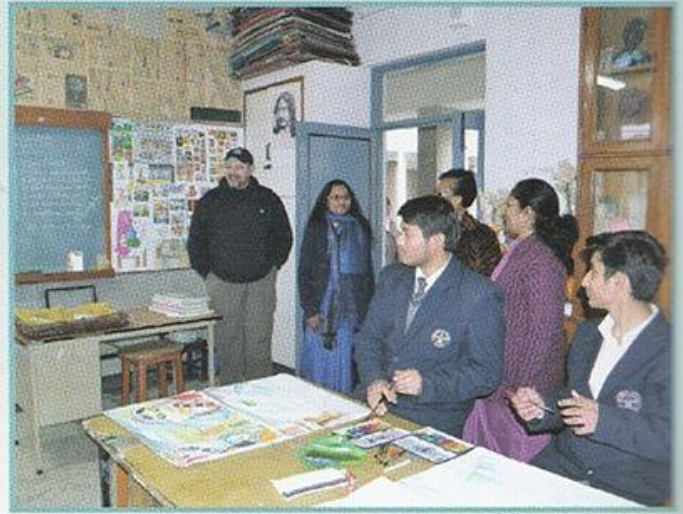


Our esteemed guests gauging their hand at the Maths lab

Visit of the The Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Mission Convention Team



A visit to class VI-C



A visit to the Fine Arts room



Creativity admired



Music class in full swing



Mr. Thomas T. Roy, Secretary, Treasurer, LCBM explains to the guests



CCTV Room

A visit by Rt. Rev. Thomas Abraham of Evangelical Church of India



A warm reception extended by the Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas



Mr. Thomas T. Roy takes the opportunity to enlighten Rt. Rev. Thomas Abraham



A tete-a-tete with the non-teaching staff



A visit around the school

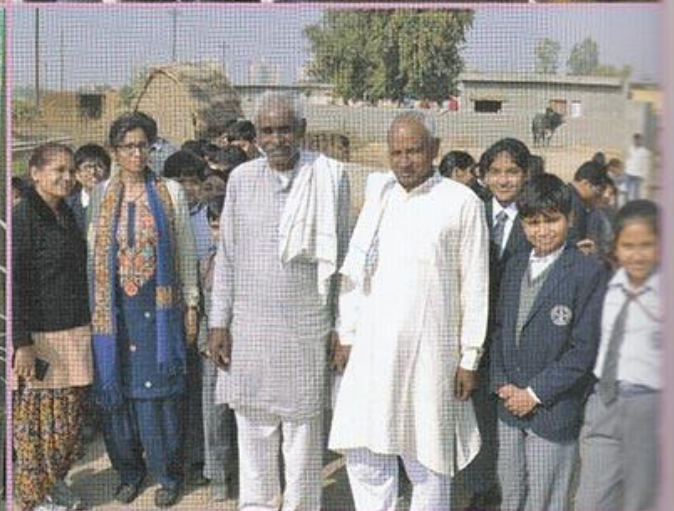
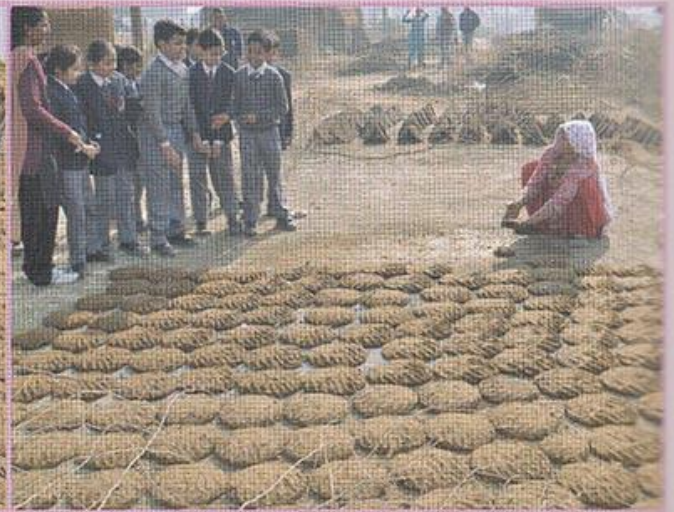
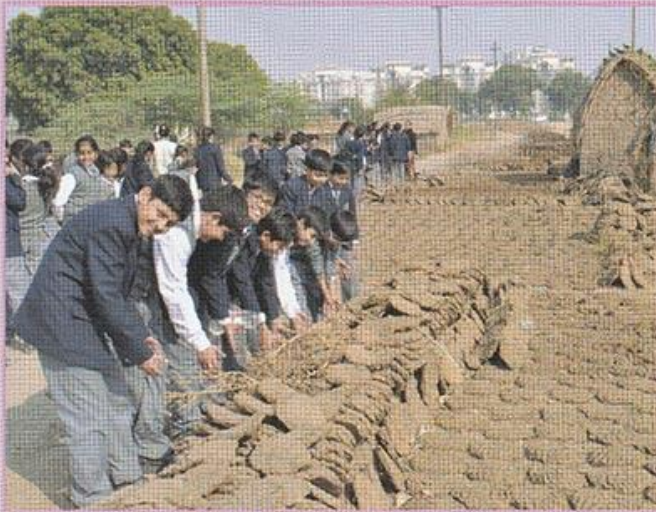
CBSE Regional Officer's Visit



A visit of Mr. Manoj Srivastava, Regional Officer, C.B.S.E., Dehradun

Farm Visit - Classes IV and V

Students having a first hand experience of farm life



Sakipur Village

Back to the basics...from where we began...

Diwali Celebrations

The festival of lights



Let's celebrate a cracker free and prosperous Diwali



Junior school enacting a skit on "Deepawali"

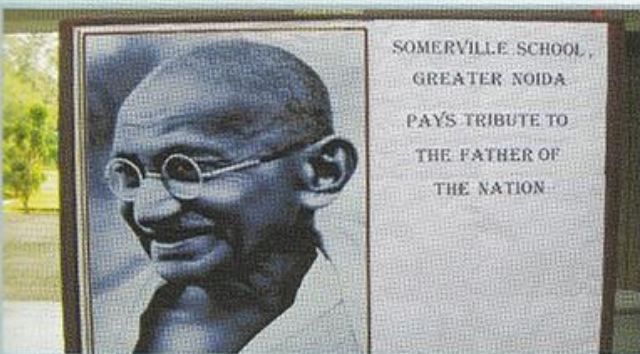


Let every corner of earth be illuminated and darkness be dispelled



Best wishes on Diwali!

Gandhi Jayanti



Paying a solemn tribute to the "Father of Nation"



Advocating Gandhian philosophy

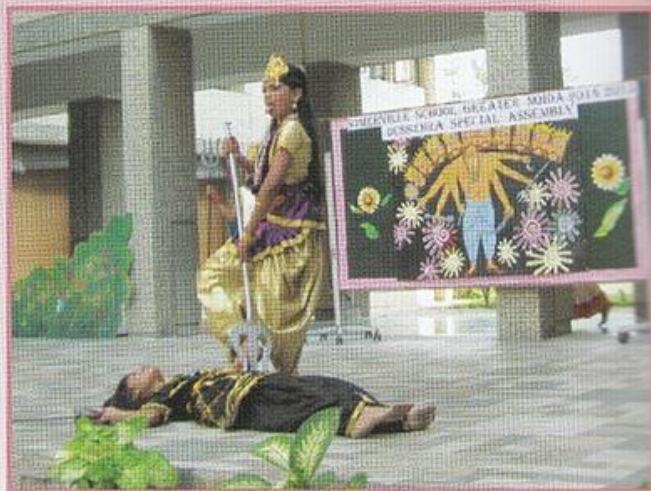


Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas addressing the students

Be the change you want to see

Dussehra Celebrations

Victory of good over evil...



The righteous always emerge as winners

Eid Assembly



Soaked in the spirit of festivity



Comperre of the day



May Allah guide your path always



Warm wishes on Eid



Students take the dais on the occasion of Eid



Participants with Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas

Celebrating the festive fervour

Preparatory School - Diwali Celebrations



Science Exhibition



Mr. Thomas T. Roy, Secretary/Treasurer observes as students explain



Parents appreciate the upcoming scientists



From small beginnings come great things

Our genius' manifestation

Children's Day



Somerville Channel - Live Telecast



Mrs. Rimmi Soin Impersonates Pt. Jawahar Lal Nehru



Teachers enact a class room scene



Humming their way through into the hearts of the dear students



Tranquility envelops the environment with the singing of the hymn



An alluring performance by the teachers



Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas, addresses the students

We are the future

Computer Quiz

Inter House Event



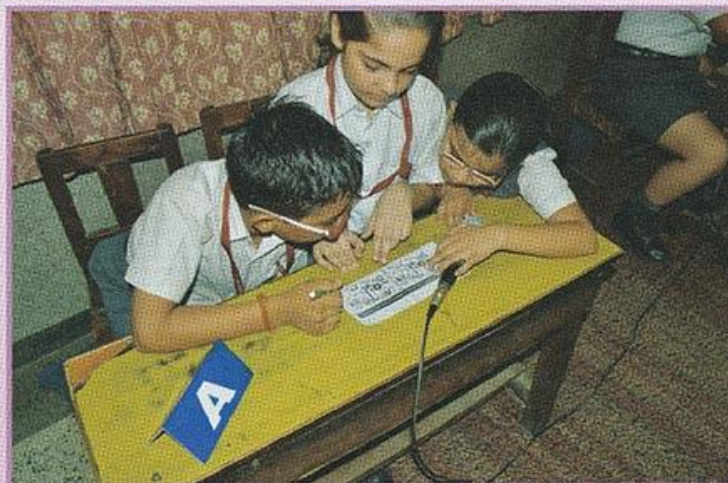
Teams getting their answers right



The audience round



Computer Quiz in full swing



The enthusiastic participants

The Computer Wizards

Rangoli Competition

Inter House Event



True art is characterized by an irresistible urge in the creative artist - Albert Einstein

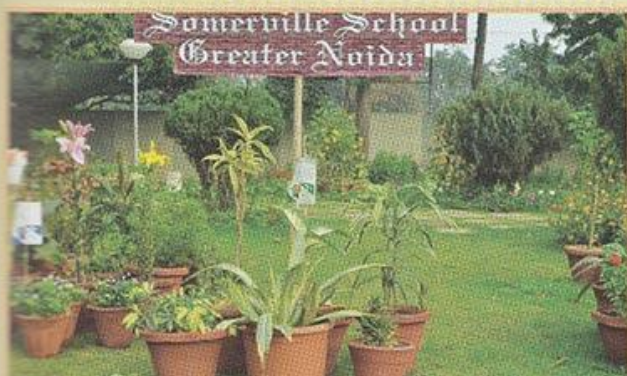
Vegetable Carving



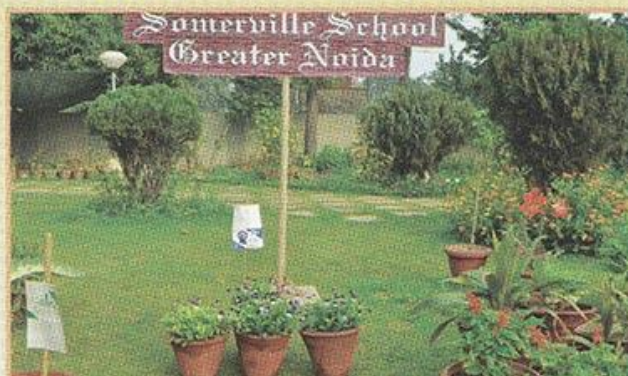
The vegetables go innovative

Flower Show

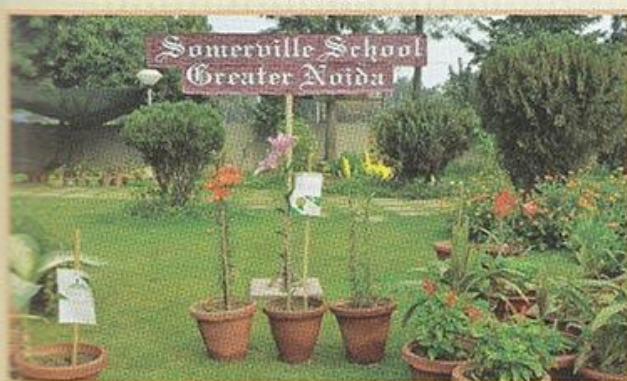
Winning flower spectacles at Pushpotsav 2015



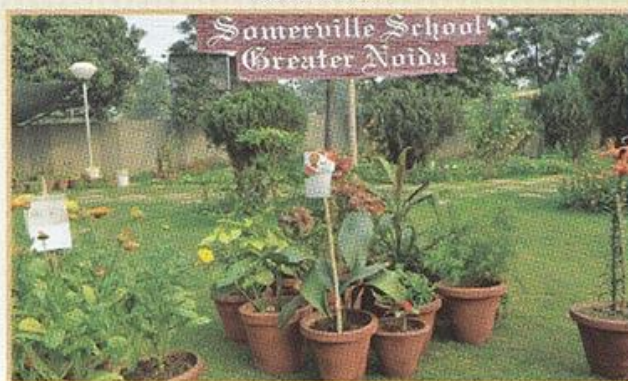
First Prize



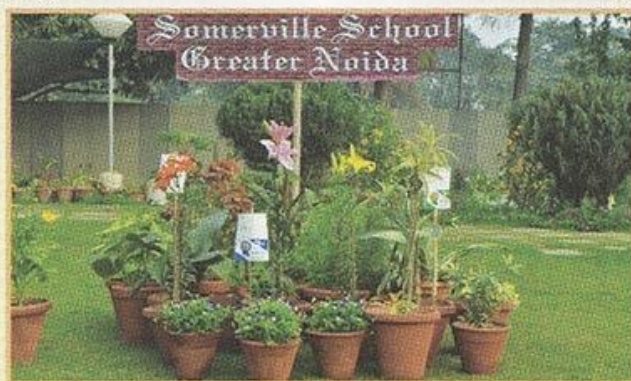
Second Prize



Second Prize



Third Prize



Third Prize



The Winning Entry

Every flower is a soul blossoming in nature

Environment Week

Celebrations in full swing....



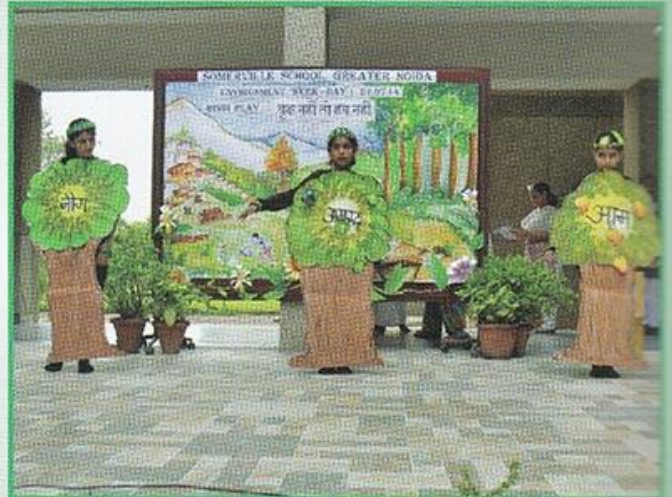
Junior school joins hands in making Earth a better place to live in



Debate competition in progress



Middle school students enacting a skit 'Save Trees'



Students taking oath to conserve nature



Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas addressing the gathering on the need to save environment

The poetry of the Earth is never dead - John Keats



A POEM FOR MY MOTHER

You are the sunlight in my day,
 You are the moon I see far away.
 You are the tree I lean upon,
 You are the one that makes trouble be gone.
 You are the one, who taught me life,
 How not to fight and what is right.
 You are the word inside my song,
 You are my life, my love, my MOM.
 You are the one, who cares for me,
 You are the eye that helps me see.
 You are the one who know me best,
 When it's time to have fun and time to rest.
 You are the one, who helped me dream,
 You heard my heart and you shared my scream.
 Afraid of life but looking for love,
 I am blessed by God who sent you from above.
 You are my friend, my heart and my soul,
 You are the word inside my song.
 You are my love, my life, my MOM

---Ansh Khosala, VI D

Did you think this ever,
 How much do you love your mother.
 I love my mother as much as I can,
 But when I see my mother sad,
 I think my love is not in demand.
 My mother is my Lord,
 She is my visible God.
 My mother knows me for what I am,
 And appreciates me for what I can.
 My mother loves me, this I know,
 She is my everything, my heart says so!

---Madhumanti Mondal, VII A

PARENTS ARE PRECIOUS

Parents are precious. They are God's gift to us. They nurture us and make us capable of achieving our aim. They are the reason for us to smile. Sometimes they scold us which is for our bright future. Parents are our living God. Our parents show us the right way. They guide us whenever we go wrong. But it is sad to see many parents suffering when they are in their old age. Once children are settled they find them a burden but it is not true in all cases. Some children do take care of their parents. Parents play an important role when they become grandparents. The love and care of the grandparents also help in the growth of child. Thus, parents must have a high place in our lives and we must learn to respect and love them especially in their old age.



---Arpan Pal, VII B



My Favourite Book Character

My favourite book character is Charlie Bucket. He played a lead role in 2005 movie 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory'. He is a kind boy who lives with his mother, father and four bedridden grandparents. He and his parents hunt for the Golden Ticket which is found in the world famous chocolate 'Wonka'. There were five Golden Tickets which were hidden in the chocolate bars and were sent throughout the world. Only four Golden Tickets that were found. Charlie was very sad as he wanted a Golden Ticket too. One day as he was walking on the road he saw some money lying on the footpath. He bought two chocolate bars of which the second chocolate bar had the fifth and the last Golden Ticket. He went home to read the Golden Ticket. But he wanted to sell the same and get money for his family as they were very poor but was dissuaded by his grandfather George. The next day all the five children went to the world's biggest chocolate factory. Overcoming all temptations, Charlie came out as a winner from the renowned Chocolate factory and was selected as the new owner of Chocolate factory by Willy Wonka.

---Sarvang Tiwari, VII C

Bruno Finds A Ball

One day in the sky my kite flew,
Just then the strong wind blew.
The kite crashed into a tree,
Aside my father was sitting free.
To him I told,
They did scold.
We searched the kite through the tree over and all,
In the bush I found a ball.
I wish I could take it home,
And keep it for my very own.
Then,
A bear came and said
"I think this ball is mine"
I said "OK! Take it, it's fine."
I told him that I found it in a bush,
That bear told him with a rush.
Together we played a lot,
And



As a gift his mother gave me a pot.
I cherished the pot
And gave a thought,
That Bruno and I, friends we must become nice.

---Shreya Singhal, VII B

Importance of Discipline in a Student's Life

Discipline means order of life or code of behaviour. Self-discipline refers to immense control that one has over self and is very important. A life without discipline is no life. We need to be guided by rules. We have to be respectful to our elders. We must obey our teachers and seniors. Self discipline is most needed for success in life. It is equally necessary whether we are at home or somewhere else. Discipline is the key to success. This saying holds true for all people of all age groups. But for students, discipline holds the greatest value.

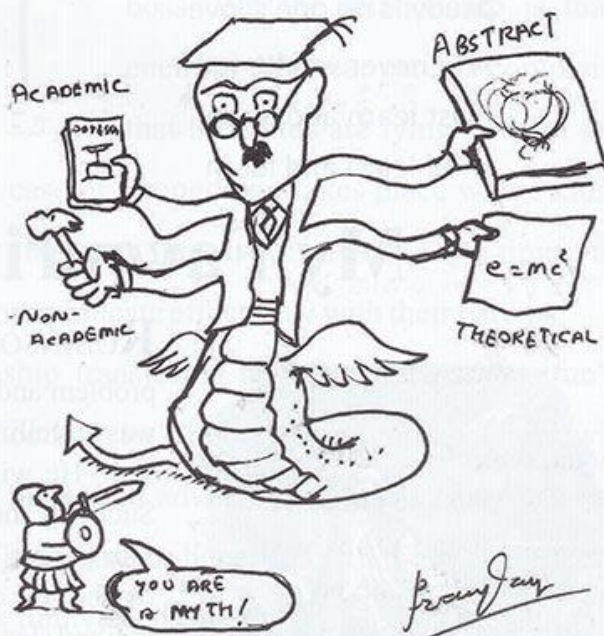
---Vageesha Shrivastava, VI D

Who Is A Teacher?

Teachers are God's unique creation,
Who teach us many things
They guide and protect us,
Under their protective wings
Teachers are dedicated,
To give us our education
This is their passion,
Which helps us in our liberation

Kindness, Knowledge
And wisdom they give.
I wonder how comfortably,
We are able to live.

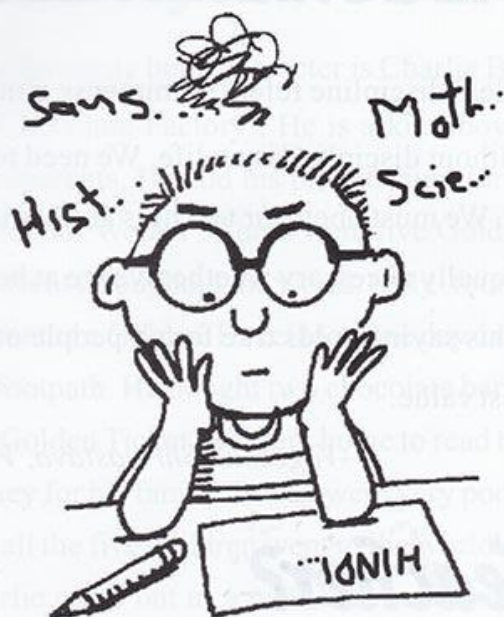
They not only instruct,
But also encourage to believe.
That there's nothing in the world,
We cannot achieve.
They think about,
Our future all the time.



Work tirelessly to direct us
Away from the crime.
I give thanks,
To all my teachers.
And thank God to give,
Teachers so many features.

---Shreya Singhal, VII B

Village Boy's Mind



Study is no one's love
And never will be fun
Just learn and learn
And learn and learn

Sitting on the seats either back or front
Never I'm able to rest my toes
And just give the table empty noiseless blows
English, Hindi, Sanskrit and all never into my
head it goes

I just give my mother some vows
That I'll use my mind for study instead of
feeding goats

But the vows are never fulfilled
And I never feel the guilt

I just think sometimes about my mind
Whether could it be polite and kind?

And I go on thinking
In the veranda wind
Whether to study or just pretend.

---Archas Srivastav, VII D

My Favourite Character



ROBINSON CRUSOE : - Is a brave, character who is always in a problem and with his bravery he solves it. In one of his stories he was travelling on a ship and due to a technical problem it began to sink. He with four others escaped from the ship in a life boat. Suddenly there was a tempest and in the storm the boat broke. The four people sank in water and he was left alone. He swam till he reached the coastline of an island. He was so tired that he climbed a tree and slept there.

The next morning he found the ship's wreckage. He built a raft with wood and went to ship's wreckage in search of some useful things. He found many things and came back. Later he built a house for himself, months of hard work passed by. After some months to his surprise he saw a ship coming, He sent an SOS. Immediately they came to his help. He is a smart character and valiant. Most of his stories are adventure based.

---Kunal Dhingra, VII A



Parents Should Be One's Best Friend

Finding a friend in the 21st century is not so easy. You check the personality of every kid and analyze it before you become friends. But why do we sweat so much about finding a friend? Make your parents your friends instead. They are trustworthy as well as good advisors. Now parents will find this idea queer and teenagers will find it crazy. But what's wrong with it? They can be our best friends.



During olden times, the relationship of parents and their children was that of an authoritarian one. Parents ordered and children obeyed instructions. Now the tables have turned. Now the kids are the boss. But the relationship is that of enemies. We hear parents complaining that their kids are lying to them or not

listening to them. Whenever a serious and grave case of wrongdoing takes place where kids are involved, we always blame the friend circle. But that is not the case always. Many a times, these things happen because the children are unable to communicate effectively with their parents.

When parents become our friends, the relationship transforms into that of wisdom, fun and understanding. A wave of positive response starts coming in. Children start igniting a hope within them that there is someone who would listen to them, and advise them well as they have gone through the same phase as we are going right now. Even parents benefit from it. They are relieved of stress and tension, and when they hear of the day's funny deeds and school gossip, they might also remember their school days. I would like to end with a small quote:

Dear parents, try to be our friends

It will benefit the both of us.

You'll be relieved from stress and tension

And we'll be saved from a lot of trouble.

---Smera Patnaik, IX A

Nature

Nature is the greatest teacher of the world. 'Observe nature carefully, with its small and big creatures they teach us the great lessons of life.' All are caught in the rat race and have become alienated from nature. It teaches us real selflessness, true renunciation and sacrifice. Thus we can learn a great deal from nature. Nature is our silent teacher, friend, philosopher and guide. It removes all our pain, agonies, despair and grief. Nature shows all her wealth irrespective of who we are and what we are. It never distinguishes between good or bad, rather it removes all the negativities. It fills us with positive vibrations by penetrating it in each cell of the body and mind. It does not know whether we are in joy or sorrow, but embraces us with love all the time. Life is like the night sky with numerous stars. Some are bright and some are dull. During the day we can't see the stars not because they are gone, it's because they are just preoccupied with sunlight. Everyone is like the stars. Intensity may vary though, but it gets preoccupied with work that we don't see the rest. Rise and fall is an alternating experience - none endlessly suffer nor does one taste success forever. Failure and success are alternating experiences too. Alternates glorify each other. It's like if there is excess heat, then thunderstorm or rain will naturally follow. Even nature has its own limits. And nature doesn't exceed its limits. Man should learn a great lesson from nature.

---Praggya Singh, X B

Mother - A Symbol Of Selfless Love

It is true that a mother is a symbol of selfless love and sacrifice. The heart of a mother is a deep ocean at the bottom of which we will always find forgiveness. A mother is a unique relation in humanity which has no replacement at all. No one can return for mother's love and sacrifices. She is the backbone of every family as she is the one who takes care of children, her husband, her husband's family and her own family. She takes care of everyone. Without mother, home is homeless, life is dark and world is purposeless. She sacrifices at each and every point for the benefit of her children. She gives up her own comfort and desires. Nothing can come close to the love that a mother feels for her children. She takes care of her home wakes up early morning, prepares food, washes clothes, cleans home, teaching children and taking care of family. She is the one who always understands us, teaches us the right path and tells us our mistake and helps us to correct them. A famous saying states that "GOD COULD NOT BE EVERY WHERE, SO HE CREATED MOTHER". A mother's love is something that no one can explain, it is made of deep devotion, sacrifice and pain. It is endless and unselfish.

My mother has also made several sacrifices for me. She understands me. She wakes up early, cooks food for me and waits for me when I am late. She shows me the correct path and corrects me when I'm at fault. But today's generation including me, sometimes are unable to understand mother's love and sacrifices. We as children think that she is spying on us. But it is her love for us. So we should understand her love and sacrifice.



---Anjali Pandey, X B

Reading Habits On A Decline

W. Somerset Maugham said, "To acquire the habit of reading is to construct for yourself a refuge from all the miseries of life." Reading habit has been helpful in developing knowledge. But today, in an age when surfing the net, playing with funky handsets and passing non-stop SMS seem to be the order of the day, we have to think seriously how the growing generations will find time to read. While technology is taking control steadily over individual lives, the reading habit is fast vanishing into thin air. If Gandhi's "Experiments with Truth", Tagore's "Geetanjali" or Premchand's "Godan" fail to attract them, they are not conversant with John Grisham's "The Appeal" or Khaled Hosseini's "The Kite Runner" either. The reasons for the decline are:

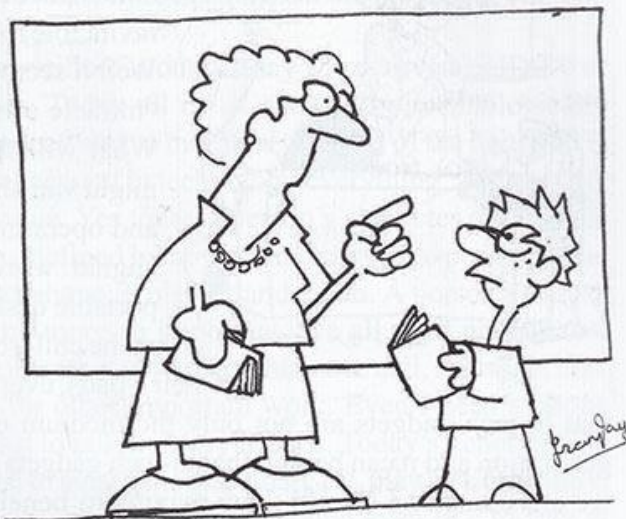
- At one time, school libraries had a good collection of books accessible to the students. But today we hardly find libraries with a good collection of books.
- Students are under pressure to perform well and the concept of intrinsic value addition is a long lost idea.
- Earlier, people read fiction. Now students want to just pass an examination and secure a job. Therefore, they only study that which are required for completing a particular course or for the preparations.
- Parents termed book reading habit as "a culture" during their times in past, and they were regular in book reading and bed time stories were a part of their daily routine of life. But this practice is hardly exercised anymore!
- Also, reading habits have been rapidly replaced by T.V. and internet since audio-visual is more effective, attractive and appealing. Therefore, printed works are gradually losing their charm for most of the people.
- Unfortunately, books are being sold at shops at high price and therefore the number of books people buy is decreasing day by day as compared to the past when the shops remained full and busy with book lovers.

The decline in reading culture is a bad omen for the development of a society as a civilized, educated, tolerant and plural society, which needs prompt response by the concerned authorities to attend this crucial issue and revive this culture again by:

- Setting trend of availability of books on reasonable prices.
- Placing books in telephone booths or cafes to draw public attention towards books.
- Make reading important in school - praise students who are good readers, offer reading prizes, or post lists of students who read a certain amount of books each year.
- Have a good library in a school, offer a large variety of reading material so that every student can find something enjoyable to read.
- Educate students about the importance of good reading habits - make certain to emphasize how reading improves everyday life, how it improves chances for a good job, and how it can help to move ahead in life and it changes the vision of life in a positive way.

Therefore, it is well said by Tomie de Paola that-"Reading is important, because if you can read, you can learn anything about everything and everything about anything." Thus, reading should not be presented to children as a chore or duty but it should be offered to them as a precious gift!

---Prachi Singh, X B



"It's called reading". It's how people install new software into their brain"

High-Tech Gadgets



A wonderful world surrounded with innumerable hi-tech gadgets seems to be the future of the Earth, where man would not walk an inch without machines. It appears to be cool, but will it be dangerous for the human race? Nobody would like to see Mother Earth being captured by invincible robots.

Well it seems to be impossible. Technology and hi-tech gadgets are a "miracle of science" for man. It has made our lives so much easier. What will the gadgets of the next generation look like? Television might vanish, portable 3D light emitters, watches with ITB hard disks and operating system will be introduced. We can say that it will be a 'digital world'. All the things will become robotic. For children, portable desktops, desks attached with keyboards and most important that the children need most is the games which they will use with the help

of their i-pads, everywhere the usage of hi-tech gadgets will be seen. It seems that hi-tech gadgets are not only the medium of happiness but also the most important source for the generation and it can be said that hi-tech gadgets are a boon to mankind. So we all should be aware of what we are doing, we should draw maximum benefit from it and use it as a source, through which we can progress very actively.

---Sayan Saha, IX B

Tears of a Sister

"Mother", cried a six year old girl and asked her mother, "Where is my brother?" And her mother started to weep. She asked the question again but did not receive any answer. Her mother was unable to tell the answer and left her alone. The little girl could not understand her mother's behaviour but was sure within that something was unusual. She thought once and then followed her mother in the other room, where she saw her mother searching for her son's favourite clothes. She stood outside and noticed the pain in her mother's eyes. She went inside and asked her again, "Where is he? When will he come back from school? This time her mother held her tightly in her arms and answered with tears in her eyes, "he has gone and will never come back..." She stood there motionless and listened to her mother, "Some terrorist group attacked the school and killed your brother." With this her mother started weeping again.

With half understood words of her mother she went to the lawn. She could feel the blood in the air of many other children who had gone to school but never came back! With wet eyes and wet cheeks she saw the sunset and remembered the time spent with her brother. His unforgettable smile filled her heart with grief and mysterious fear.

A question continues to hound her mind 'Who are these terrorists? Why do they do so? What do they get from such attacks? Why did they kill my innocent brother?'

Many other parents and siblings have similar questions from their inner soul, having had suffered from similar pain. Will they ever get justice?

---Rini Pandey, XI B



TECHNOLOGY

Technology has become a part of our life. This simple '10' letter word is a part of our life. Even a class one student would have a fair idea and some knowledge about this word. This word in real refers to methods and devices which are a result of scientific knowledge being used for practical purpose. This word is of immense importance to us. The person reading this might think there is another one writing about the advantages and disadvantages of 'Technology'. This won't happen. This article will focus on what are we losing at being technologically progressive.

Today everyone knows about android phone, iPhone 6, a new trilluminous display TV, a curved UHD TV or new and technologically advance appliances or machines. Today all of us want to be technologically

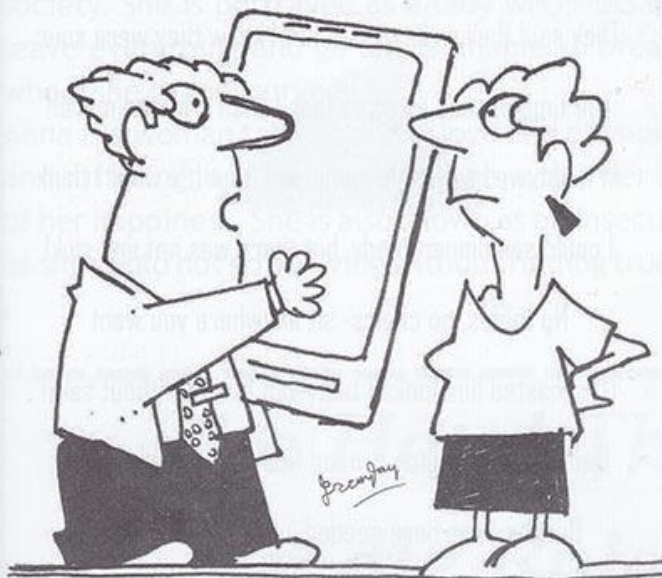
advanced and so might be the need of the hour, but is advancement in technology everything, a person has no value. Yes today a person's character or image is being defined by how techno savvy the person is, the latest phone, a big car and so on. A person's values are no more so important. We all need phones or I should rather say smart phones to call, message, chat and for other important work. Even I need a phone atleast to talk with my friends. Today's generation is glued to smart phones, smart TV, play station, x-box, laptops, tablets. They want and even like to stay at home with all these things the whole day. They don't like to go out to play and loose in a match as they never loose in these 'virtual games'. This is leading to the children adopting wrong ways to win.

Nowadays school libraries are slowly vanishing due to the introduction of e-books. The schools are also giving homework to students, about which they can research on the internet and so is the need of the hour.

Schools are also trying to encourage students to atleast read a book a year by giving such homework but all of it is vain as everything is available on the net and the children blindly copy it without gaining knowledge. This has become a typical problem today. The information available on the internet is not always correct and the students blindly follow it without gaining information about it. This dependence on the internet will take us nowhere. Today everything is available on the net-any information, games and it is also being used by criminals in a wrong way. Now in these ten years products are also being sold on the net. My classmate joked that there is no need to find methane on Mars, the thing to be found is if it is possible to get 9G internet over there, more than half of the earth can be swept out. The fact is people cannot survive without internet today as it is such a useful tool to connect, to search and find information and that is the truth. Slowly and steadily companies are relying on machines for their production process. These machines are replacing us-humans but the truth is that we need employment to earn our daily bread. Today robots are being developed. I feel that in future, these robots developed by humans will be ruling us. As we have seen in history, humans have never used anything wisely. We are becoming totally dependent on technology though it is harming us in some or the other way. Even I am typing this on a computer! We all are losing out on our precious time.

To be techno dependent is never the best thing to happen.

---Saksham Mitra, XI B



"My phone looked huge when I first got it, but I think I'm ready to upgrade to something bigger."

A Day In The Past

One day, when I woke up to see the morning light,

What I saw was a terrible sight!!

I lay on muddy floor, not my soft bed

And a cave roof was all that covered my head!

The next thing shocked me, it was a pleasant sight

It seemed to me as if I had time travelled at night!!

Mesmerised by the beauty of nature all around

No buildings, no roads, no traffic, no sound

I wanted to relish the beauty as far as I could see....

I was scared by a shabby boy right behind me!

I thought it was my brother-well I was not so sure..

'cause tiger's skin and its tooth was all that he wore!!

It compelled me to look my clothes were almost the same!

I kept thinking of stone age- I know I was the one to blame!

I tried to talk to him, but it seemed he didn't understand..

He just made some noises, some gestures by his hand!

I UNDERSTOOD IT ALL! I thought it was weird

At that a man came with long and shabby beard

It was my father, calling for breakfast indeed!

But all I really got was a bowl of some seed!!

I would starve at this cost, YES that is what I thought

But I didn't feel hungry, enjoying with the flock!!

No TV's, no homework, all we had to do was enjoy

But we had to be beware of wild animals passing by!!

We caught some fishes with only one stick

We had berries and oranges and many more fruits to pick!

We played and grazed animals, it was a fun time

We climbed on trees (it was hard!) and plucked some lime..

They said they were sweet, but I knew they were sour

The time passed away so fast-I wish it lasted more!!

At night, we had jungle camp-well that it's what I think

I could see dinner ready, but there was not any sink!

No tables, no chairs- sit anywhere you want

The roasted lion looked tasty-but it was without salt!!

Dancing and singing around fire-it was just all right

But the boys here needed just a topic to fight!!

The mosquitoes in caves at night kept me awake

I now learnt a lesson- everything has "give and take"

Fun and free life it's just fine and all nice

But trust me-now I can't live another day without science!

I want a way to communicate and good food to feed

Not just small means to fulfill the basic need

The olden days were hard, with little fun somewhere

But living in this modern life it's what I would prefer!

I would just like to live in this modern age

Not an uncivilized life in this open cage!!

---Aditi Chand, X B



ANNA KARENINA

Anna Karenina is the heroine and protagonist of the novel by the same name by Leo Tolstoy. She is my favourite character because of her unusual nature that is so hard to find in women who are born and live in the upper classes of the society.

She falls in love with Vronsky, who is extremely handsome. Although she is married and has a son, she still finds it hard to resist his charm and after a long struggle with her feelings she finally falls deeply in love with him. She tries hard to keep her affair with Vronsky under wrap but people eventually come to know of it and talk about it, that really tests her self-esteem and position in society. She is portrayed as a lady who risks everything for her love. Although she decides to leave everything and go but is unable to break free because of her love for her son, without whom she cannot survive.

Anna is a woman torn between love and passion. Her motherly side urges her to endure her pain and suffering in a loveless marriage, while her lover's nature forces her to be selfish for the sake of her happiness. She is also shown as an insecure and jealous lover. In the end, she ends her life as she could not go on living without finding true happiness and bliss.

---Sanya Monadeepa Claudius, XI D

The Hand That Rocks The Cradle Rules The World

People have changed a lot with time, their priorities have changed, but one thing which remains unchanged is a mother's love for her children. A mother's love and care is as important as air is for breathing. Motherhood can transform any person and make him a good human being. A mother can do what no one else on this earth can do. She experiences immense pain and brings us to existence. She nurtures us with love and with her soft hands, she feeds us. The world might ignore us and treat us as if we do not belong here but where we can always find love is in the heart of our mother. They are always with us and their soft heart is always ready to shower love on her children. When a child grows up and acquires worldly pleasures he often forgets that there is a hand which once used to rock his cradle, but a mother simply forgives her child and asks the Lord to bless him. Mothers are sent from God to save the world from destruction which is caused by hatred for each other. A mother's love can surely bring peace in this world and transform people and soon the world will be full of good people. With this hope I praise all mothers and pay my gratitude to them.

---Roopal Chauhan, XI D



You Are Travelling In A Plane When A Man With A Gun Steps On To The Aisle...

To avert a response of sheer panic, he quickly said, "Don't worry people I am just an Air Marshall. We are experiencing a slight mechanical issue with the aircraft" The stunned passengers watched helplessly as the self proclaimed Air Marshal sprinted to the cockpit and quickly entered. A few muffled voices were heard and after what seemed like an eternity, the man stepped out just as a sudden manoeuvre occurred. Those passengers who had a weak heart collapsed. The marshal simply said, "The aircraft is only returning to the airport, we are sorry for any inconvenience". With that he stepped back into the cockpit.

At this point most passengers were on the verge of a nervous breakdown. Was the man a terrorist and was he threatening the pilots to go to some distant location? Or was he really an Air marshal and was the plane truly breaking down? Either way it was their neck on the line. The man returned from the cockpit and exchanged a few words with the flight attendants, a split second later a sudden dive occurred and the decompression masks fell from the upper hull accompanied by a frenzy of screaming. Soon the flight attendants voice sparked over the PA system, informing the passengers on what to do. Everyone rushed to do what was ordered with melodrama. Mothers hugged and kissed their children, believers of faith prayed their hardest and non believers tried their best to calm everyone else. Another sudden manoeuvre silenced the contents of the craft. Soon a smudge of tarmac and touch of grass were visible from the windows accompanied with a sudden jerk informing everyone of the plane's landing.

The passengers, though initially thankful knew that their ordeal was not over as a sudden whiff of smoke from the left side wing entered the cabin. This set off a stampede as the doors opened and the emergency slides deployed with the mob of passengers rushed to the slides and others were already on the tarmac, the scene was that of total chaos. Soon though all were now off the burning wreck included the pilots, flight attendants and the Air Marshal. Emergency teams stormed towards the plane putting out the fire and helping the injured. A few moments later the media crew surrounded the passengers but the airport's staff quickly dealt with them. After the preliminary report was released, it appeared that one of plane's wings and accompanying engines had been damaged by an unknown object. Debris had collected in the engine forcing the pilots to shut it down, and jettison the fuel in the wing to prevent an explosion, yet not before the engine itself ignited itself due to the burning debris. However, one thing was for sure, all passengers hailed the Air Marshal as their saviour. His quick response had saved their lives.

---Aayush Mathur, XA



Society Is Taken More By Show Than Substance

In today's ever changing modern world, people's mindset is changing. In olden times a person with intellectual knowledge was considered best amongst the humans. It did not matter whether he was from a poor background or not. But in today's modern world a person's wealth or outward appearance is what decides his place in the society.

Nowadays, adolescents and even adults lay more emphasis on how much wealth they have. They constantly keep on changing their outlook and attitude towards issues and life to keep pace with the changing life. They put on false faces and lose touch with what's really important. They lead lives full of falsehood. Their real character gets lost deep within the world of 'deceit' from where it can never be retracted. A world reality perishes and falsehood flourishes.

This new fad (leading false lives) should never be adopted because most of the time something new benefits the society but sometimes it destroys the very roots upon which societies are built. When we lay more emphasis on outer show than substance it harms the society. We live in a place where everyone is intent on deceiving the others.

We should lay more stress on a person's real character and decide his worth on the basis of this parameter. This not only helps us but also helps the society at large as well. After all, a world where real characters exist is the world where intelligentsia also exists.

---Sanya Monadeepa Claudius, XI D

ASSASSIN CREED

The story, "Assassin Creed", has Ezio Auditore, the protagonist. He was an 18 year old boy and his father was a bank manager, he had three brothers and a sister as family. His mother was a house wife. In reality, his father was an assassin- a secret agent. Only Ezio's mom knew about this. One day, the Mayor of France took his father and two brothers to the prison. The skills of a true assassin were eventually transferred to Ezio and he took revenge for his father's and brother's imprisonment. After 10 years, Ezio got to know about the assassin family and the mission was to care for the apple of Eden. He dispensed his responsibility quite successfully and peacefully. I like him a lot because he comes across as a skillful person, has the ability to fight. He surely uses his experience to his benefit. He spent all his life taking care of the Assassin's Creed. For this, he sacrificed his love too.

---Ashish Singh, X D



The Most Interesting Experience As A Scientist

Two years ago, while I was observing the sky with my telescope, studying the positions of stars and calculating the distance from the earth- the idea though a hopeless one struck me. I wish I were a scientist. Then for nearly a week I continued my research with obviously the same routine. But then without much thought, I fixed a prism in front of my telescope, well this was an idea of mine. I obtained the spectrum of light, but then there were some black lines in between. This really amused me. Science is so vast and there is so much to discover. Once again I adjusted my telescope to a celestial body called moon and with the prism in front of the telescope I viewed the moon. I was simply awestruck to see that the spectrum had changed considerably and the black lines had also changed. So naturally I used the wave optics to find the distance between the Earth and the moon using the spectrum. And when I calculated it, I was astonished to know that it was a very accurate distance and nearly matched the calculated value of distance from the moon. Soon another idea struck me, now you will wonder how often I come up with ideas! But this is the life of a scientist and it is necessary to work on such ideas. And so I matched my observation with the spectrum of various elements. This was the most interesting thing that I saw because this spectrum gave me the composition of different elements which were the chemical composition of the star GL-530L and our moon. And so I just felt proud that in just doing one small thing to my telescope I discovered the distance between us and the celestial bodies precisely and could find the chemical composition of different celestial bodies easily. This was one of the greatest experience in Astronomy. And perhaps this branch of science is yet to be developed.

---Piyush Chauhan, XI C



MUSIC THERAPY

Music, as I consider is a genre of common public interest. It is something everyone seeks when there is nobody around. Music is like a part of our everyday lifestyle- be it exercising or films or simply FM radio. Music is a medicine everyone takes. And hence music therapy is considered one of the most expressive therapies of modern days.

Music is said to have healing powers that can cure mainly mental and emotional stress. It has soothing effects on the mind of a person and with constant exposure to music, one can completely change from a mentally sick individual to a healthy one. Being one of the closest and the most common pastime of an individual, it can divert one's mind from suffering to more peaceful state. It makes you forget all the miseries at one go and makes you feel better. It is an engaging thing which can fill your mind with happiness, cheerfulness and calmness. It soothes your stress by directing you, commenting on the worries to a fresher side. Music is a therapy, as it engages our mind.

Thus, I would insist if someone is really fed up of being busy, listen to music and feel its magic.

—Shivangi Varshney, X D



WUTHERING HEIGHTS

Heathcliff is a kind of character rarely found in English classics. He is an amazing protagonist who would be admired by any reader. All his life is spent in vain and distress which is directly related to his love life. I personally feel attached to him due to his sad sentimental emotions he struggles with. I feel a bond between us due to his grave life and the distress he suffered when his childhood love Catherine left him and married a handsome rich man. The first turning point in his life was when Catherine's father brought him home from streets and tried to give him a good life. Another turning point of his life is experienced when love left him. Thereafter he disappeared mysteriously and returned after three years. He had become rich and powerful and married Catherine's sister in law Isabella and made life hell for her. This is when the hero of the story who was once admired and pitied turns out to be a villain-is now hated but the overall demand of the story is fulfilled by the conflicting character of Heathcliff. He still loves Catherine who dies after giving birth to a baby girl. After her death she continues to haunt the moors near Heathcliff's house in order to return back to him as his love. Finally Heathcliff dies and is laid next to Catherine and her husband. The character is moody and at times is defined well

—Roopal Chauhan, XI D

TWISTED END - A DOG NAMED DUKE

As the days went by, Hooper's condition became better and was able to walk down till his office. Hooper was very happy and was very thankful to Duke. One day, some guests arrived at Hooper's house and the couple (Hooper and Marcy) got busy with them. Suddenly, a screaming noise caught their attention and Chuck Hooper realised that Duke was not there. A wave of immense fear ran through him. The couple ran outside to find a crowd surrounding someone. They found a dog stained with blood. The accident was so severe that the dog was beyond identification. Chuck Hooper fell on his knees and with a broken heart tried to gather the injured dog. Marcy tried to make Hooper feel positive, but somewhere in her heart she herself was anxious and nervous. Although, she didn't like Duke but she accepted the fact that it was Duke who filled Hooper's life with colours after the accident. Marcy and Hooper picked the dog, wrapped in a cloth and immediately took it to the closest hospital. The doctor declared the dog brought dead. There was complete silence in the room and the couple stood with a broken heart. Suddenly, Mr. Jack, their neighbour, dashed into the room and when he got to know what had happened, he immediately took the dead dog in his arms and broke into tears. They didn't know what was going on and stood silently. Then Mr. Jack, revealed the truth. The dog declared dead was his. The couple became happy and hugged each other, but realising the situation they tried to control their emotions and felt sorry for Mr. Jack and his dog. Five minutes later, the couple sat in their car and rushed towards their home. There, at the entry gate, the guests stood with a smile on their face. And from among them the dog made his way towards Chuck. The dog jumped forward and Chuck hugged him tightly. He didn't leave him for about five minutes. Duke was safe and sound. Realising this, Marcy stroked his head with kindness and affection

When the accident occurred Duke was in the garden, busy eating his dog-food and whiling away its time catching butterflies. But the couple didn't check and thought it was Duke who became the victim.

After such a big shock, the couple took good care of Duke and loved him more and showed a lot of kindness and affection. The next day, Duke stood right in front of Hooper ready for Hooper's walking practice. Soon afterwards, Hooper was promoted to a higher post and he gave all credits to Duke. As usual, this story too had a happy ending!

---Prachi Singh, X B



Teenage is the best time of one's life

Teenage years are usually the most memorable years of one's life. It is the period during which we find our identity and experience new things. If properly utilized, the teenage years will lay the foundation of the future but if misused, defeat is sure. The impressions one will gather at this period will determine his future conduct. The taste he will develop during this period will influence his behaviour towards other people throughout his future career. Therefore, it is necessary that a right and a proper use of this period is made with utmost care.

Teenagers are known for their whims, insecurities and spontaneity. Teenagers are generally full of vitality and energy. They often challenge themselves to practice extreme physical sports like mountain climbing. Often free from financial burdens, nothing pulls them back from pursuing academic excellence and various desires.

Every coin has two sides. While considering the advantages, disadvantages come into picture as well.

Living in a modern world, we cannot deny that the latest trends and evolvement of the world have brought many impacts to the society, be it positive or negative impacts. However, if the matter is taken into consideration, we can see that the teenage is the stage in life where the teenagers are affected the most by the changes happening around in the world. Confusion, depression, stress and suicide are some common problems the teenagers are facing today. In addition to that, suicide rates are increasing rapidly day by day or year by year and it is not surprising that the teenagers top the statistic. What are the reasons behind these happenings?

The ultimate reason contributing to this is the development of mindset, feelings and thoughts of the teenagers. A handful of teenagers who do not have mature mindsets are those who are unable to overcome their troubles and learn to take things into stride. Thus, every teenager must have will, determination and resilience to go against all odds.

Despite all the disadvantages, the teenage in my opinion is the best time of one's life. The problems associated with the teenagers cannot be ignored but can be solved through effective time management and self-motivation. So, I whole-heartedly support the motion that teenage is the best time of one's life.

---Reda, X D

THE POWER Undiscovered and Undermined

A baby is born to a family,
A baby who is a girl,
A baby who needs some extra care,
A baby which seems a burden to some...
Soon she grows into a lovely girl,
With shining hair and glittering eyes,
And with a nature so humble and loving,
That no one can stop admiring...
She is taught to stay at home,
And not to move out and become bold,
She is told to be always quiet,
And not to voice herself in front of all,
And if unfortunately hurt...
She is asked to be behind a door,
To be quite like a soul,

And never told to drag those vulgar hunters
behind the bars,
And forever and ever tear their dreadful souls
apart,
Just give her a chance,
A chance to speak,
A chance to stand,
And a chance to fight...
Remember! She is the power worshiped in Holy
Scriptures,
So just give all women a chance,
A chance to be worshipped on our planet Earth,
And worshipped in this UNIVERSE...
And a chance to prove that she is a divine power
personified...

---Urvi Sharma, X D

A Neem Tree

When I was a child I used to flee -
 And climb the tall, thick neem tree
 And I jumped and jumped carefree
 Whatever the weather would it be
 The tree always stood by me
 One day I climbed and jumped from there
 And what did happen was not clear
 But when I fell down, the pain I could not bear
 And now lying on the bed in fear
 How mom would react when she's near
 'Don't climb you may fall' she used to say
 That's why I lay here without any way
 I came back to the neem tree
 And cursed it with some useless anger in me
 But later I became friends with the tree
 As it saved me from the rainfall, as a friendly tree
 And now I'm standing where the tree was placed
 As the tree is now displaced
 Instead of the tree there is a house



Of Mr. and Mrs. Grouse
 And I'm crying for the neem tree
 I was full of glee
 When I played near the neem tree
 And I cannot forget the neem tree
 And I cannot forget the neem tree

---Archas Srivastava, VII D

SHERLOCK HOLMES

This sociopathic, crime solving genius is one of the most iconic literary characters to be inked into paper. Though his motives may be uncertain, he has always been of assistance to Scotland Yard to solve the toughest case. He is often prone to long periods of drug sustenance, yet lumbers out of it for the sheer thrill of a bloodcurdling crime.

It is curious that a man with his analytic abilities is chasing criminals, but his true motive is that he finds ordinary life boring. He will often disregard cases where large interests are at stake because he finds them too easy. Usually it is the trivial every day events that offer him to use his entire array of talents, to unravel the complexities of everyday life. Sherlock is often recalled because of his ability to give someone's life's story with a simple glance at the sleeve, a speck on a shoe, or the ash of a cigar. His reasons for such deductions seem so bluntly insane that most of his clients are shocked, but as he explained it to Dr. John Watson the little details are the most important.

The duo is always found locked within a mystery, Sherlock deducing the culprit and John chronicling his efforts. The evidence of his popularity is that Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, his creator, faced riots when the detective seemingly died at the hands of his greatest enemy Prof. James Moriarty, the Napoleon of crime. As a drug fuelled chemist, an incomparable detective, Sherlock Holmes has captured the lines of all people, whether in the 19th century or today.

---Aayush Mathur, X A

A CHANGE IN THE EPIC

Hey!

I am a fourteen year old, influential teenager
I am a willing and a determined teenager
When I will get a chance to visit the past
I would certainly like to go in the age of 'Mahabharat'
I would like to change the history of women
I would like to portray every woman as powerful
I would like to show the cruel, the women's power
I would like to tell them all - 'women are the powers personified'.

If I got a chance to visit the past
I would have stopped the evil game the 'Kauravs' played
And would have tried to save the dignity of 'Pandavs'
And would have tried to save the self- respect of a woman'
The self -respect of the ' avatar of many goddesses'
The self-respect of the always bold 'Draupadi'.....

I know it would not have been easy
I also know that I may not have able to stop the devils
But I surely know that I would have given my best
And that I would have forgotten for it all the rest....
I would have conveyed this message to their hearts and souls

"Never think a woman is weak
Never think that she can't destroy the demons
Always remember that you came on earth because of a strong woman
Always remind your souls, that the life giving entity,
In no time, can be your life taking entity".

"If a woman shouts' it means she is strong and not scared,
If a woman runs, it means that she will return as a storm and not as a beggar...."

This is what I would have done in the past,
This is how I would have tried to change the past....

And then,
Whether alive or dead, I would have been praised
Whether failed or passed, I would have been proud.

---Urvi Sharma, XD

Watching Through Opaque

While I walk out in the breezy eve,
 A sudden rush adrenaline
 Makes my heart beat fast as ever
 But still sinking forever.
 As I start walking through the scene
 I see only and only green
 With my hands rubbing each other for warmth
 But still my fate seemed to be torn
 Between the choices, that I had to make
 And the ones that I would make
 Serenade, solitary and peace of mind,
 My life was clear like ice.
 But, still again, it missed something
 Thinking, while I walked past the ring
 To the park, I wondered at my will.

Thinking to see the top of this hill
 Rustling my feet in the dewy grass,
 My train of thought went astray from the path
 To the fears, the weakness and unrest of mind
 My heart shattered into dimes.
 But with the upsurge in my heart
 I felt the warmth in the dewy grass
 I reckoned,
 To care is to think, to stare is to blink
 And saw the greener side of the grass
 And luck befell on this fate of mine.
 I heard the chirping, through misery
 I smelt the aroma through discontent
 The sinking heart, rose up again
 To shine as bright as it can!
 ---Mayank Shrivastav, X D

Inspiring Stories about Teachers

When you sit down to think of how you became the kind of person you are - memories & flashes from the past come back. Some are happy some are sad and some just leave your eyes wet. That one day that I'll never forget was my first day to school. I was a little nervous three year old, who was accompanied by the kindergarten teacher from the school gate to the classroom. I left my mother's hand and grabbed on to my teacher's thumb, after all she was my mother in school. Right from the start our teachers have always assured of the love and guidance we receive at home. They teach us more than the prints in the text book.

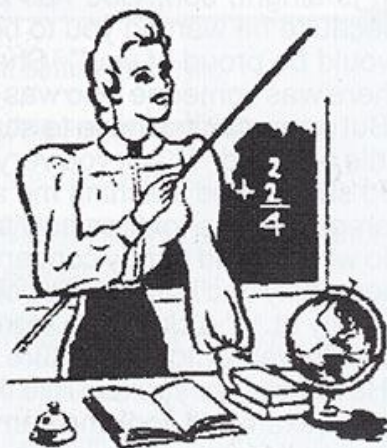
All my teachers are inspiring and loving. And this essay is a token of gratitude to them.

When I talk about teachers. Mrs. Enid ce'Blond is the first lady who comes to my mind. What she did for her students is not mentioned in any book and nor is she famous but what she did will always be remembered.

Enid madam was my class teacher in the fifth grade, she was a very affectionate lady. We never really realised that until that poignant day when one of my classmates father met with an accident and died; the saddest part was that the mother was helpless. But soon it all became fine when Enid Ma'am decided to be the student's guardian and since then she has been supporting my friend both morally and financially.

This showed us how selfless can a teacher be. She taught us a lot more than text, she taught us life: it's all about helping one another. A student- teacher relation is more than the six hour interaction at school. It is for a life time. Our teachers are our biggest inspiration and encouragement and the truth is we grab on to their teachings and walk into the great big world and strive to be the best person we are.

---Protima Bannerjee, XI A





Inspiring Stories about Teachers

"I'm sorry I can't do this at all! I don't feel like studying at all" I cried. I was literally crying, sitting in my room locked from inside, my books scattered on my bed, I had been crying all day long and for the past one hour I had been pouring out my heart to my mother like teacher Anushka Ma'am, my political Science teacher, I didn't feel like studying at all. The following day was scheduled to be my political science exam and I didn't have the strength to stretch myself into reality. I had gone into a trauma, the reason why I couldn't push myself into reality was so cruel, so unfair. That it let me to kill my spirit from inside.

My father had died in a car accident.

It was middle of a warm September evening, around 8' when he was coming back from his office with his friend in his car. His friend was driving and they were joyfully chatting and talking since they had got promotion and my father had been made the Assistant General Manager of his Department and his friend the General Manager.

Suddenly they sped into a fast moving truck coming from the opposite direction. The accident was so serious that the front part of the car was crushed under the truck and the gunshot seat was totally devastated. The next morning, when we got the news, I was shattered, all the promises made were gone, I had lost my life, I had lost everyone. When I was two years old I had lost my mother to cancer. Since then, my father had brought me up, he made me feel like a princess, he gave me everything I wanted. He was a mother, a father, a true friend, and a God to me. Now that he was gone, I felt as if I had lost everything. The only part that kept me alive were the fond memories of my father and my Political Science teacher Anushka Ma'am. And ever now as I talked to her, I knew that nothing would complete me.

"I am sorry, Rohit", she had said.

"Why would you be sorry?" I asked her. She knew that I was completely torn apart, snatched away from my father. She knew that God had been unfair to me and yet even now when she consoled me, I could feel as though she was sharing my grief, she was the only person after my father, whom I respected the most, she was also like a mother to me.

"It is alright, son, God has planned everything in this way, he only took him away from you because he wanted you to be faithful to Him, give Him more time and I'm sure that your father would be proud of you!" She reassured me. I cried even more and hugged her tightly, at least there was someone who was with me now.

"But son, you also have to study at the same time" she said wiping my tears I controlled myself a little and said "Thank you very much".

So she started teaching me and she kept telling me some tips and tactics to write the exam for tomorrow. She told me how to revise and learn the four markers and six markers and told me to do well. I could hardly concentrate on what she said but then told myself to push into the present, her reality and learned the points well.

Finally at 10' o'clock she stood up to leave, kissed my forehead and said, "Take care of yourself and do well tomorrow". "Sure ma'am, I will" I replied.

"Have faith, for you can rule the world" she said and went off. The next day, was the exam. I went to the exam hall, took the name of my Father and the 'So called God'.

During the exam, I remember the words she had said "Have faith, for you can rule the world" These were the words that had really encouraged me and I did well. It all reflected when I got my results, I had scored a 97%.

When I reached Anushka Ma'am's house, the housekeeper told me, "She has left".

I put down my coffee, really in tears, I looked at Rohit, he was now in one of the best colleges of Delhi University. At Hindu College, he was pursuing BA, final year. He had been a really close friend of mine and called me to motivate and tell about his teacher. "I checked the school, but she was not to be found anywhere", Rohit said.

I wish I had a teacher like her! I replied, with tears in my eyes.

---Isaac Anugrah Gambhir, XI A



Pride Comes Before A Fall

Pride comes before a fall,
And we think that we are above all.
We become so self obsessed,
Actions of others appear to be at rest.
Everyone appears to be a fool,
Laughing at them becomes a tool.
Worshipping God is considered a fake
belief,
Proving ourselves right gives a big relief.
Ego is what accompanies pride,
Respect towards elders has died.
All we do is run after money,
Does it taste like honey?
We deviate from our studies,
Our life is full of buddies.
What gets affected most is our behaviour,
We judge people by the clothes they wear.
What's the use of this pride?
It only destroys our life.
Leave it before a fall,
And learn to love one and all.

---Mansi, XII B

No matter the post which you are in,
It's once and for all,
The truth is that PRIDE
Definitely leads to downfall.

Yes, its true people at the topmost stand,
Misuse the power a lot, so understand
That negative attitude is never right
To hold your position up tight.
"Victory is not gifted by God in advance
Things are to be gained here by chance,
Where behaviour being the topmost priority
For lot more to achieve.

But the misfortune for humanity,
Many of them run from reality
Confused of the puzzle named life
One's who lose thinking skills totally.
This is not the lecture of philosophy,
It's harsh but it is a true story
So many instances that history holds,
Enough for a man to correct his faults.
Since concluding lines came near,
The only thing that should be clear,
Regardless of any situation, PRIDE
Should be away at every moment.

---Aakriti Dwivedi, XII C

Keep a check on your ego pole
Its been well said, pride comes before a fall
One day your pride may crumble into dust
And ultimately your ego will burst
False pride leads to downfall of human race
Hold yourself before its too late
Stress on what is true and fair
Keep your eyes upon the greater prize
Dream of bigger, but not beyond your size
Don't try to fit in the shoes
Which are not of your size
Its hard to watch your world sink

Right before your eyes
For its when some people laugh others cry
Some who barely move while others fly
Try to cope up wisely even if you are feeling low,
Because the darker nights don't last long
Not ready to confess your mistakes
Wishing that if you could give a retake
Put on a smile and get back into the fight
The fight that keeps you going
The fight that keeps depression out of your vein
Just be satisfied with your station
Live with a humble heart with full expectations.

---Ashu, XII C

संपादकीय

विद्यालय पत्रिका का प्रस्तुत अंक अनेक मनोभावों को आत्मसात किए सम्पूर्ण गति विधियों का प्रतिबिम्ब सजोए आपके हाथों में है । साहित्यिक कुंज का यह संस्करण विद्यार्थियों की अनुभूतियों और उनकी बाल सुलभ अभिव्यक्तियों एवं सृजनात्मकता का प्रस्तुतीकरण तो है ही साथ ही साथ विद्यार्थियों के ज्ञान भंडार में वृद्धि कर उन्हें नित प्रगति के पथ पर अग्रसर करने में सहायक है । पत्रिका के इस नवीन अंक में किशोरवय उभरते हुए रचनाकारों की लेखनी का कौशल पाठकों को प्रभावित करेगा ऐसा मेरा विश्वास है।

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मेरा बगीचा

मेरे घर के सामने एक बगीचा है। बगीचे में बहुत सारे पेड़-पौधे हैं। जिसमें से मेरा सबसे प्रिय पौधा गुलाब का है। मेरे बगीचे में सभी रंगों के गुलाब हैं। यहाँ रोज़ सुबह तरह-तरह के पक्षी आते हैं। मुझे अपने बगीचे में सैर करना बहुत अच्छा लगता है। मैं अपने बगीचे की देखभाल करना पसंद करती हूँ। इसमें एक तालाब भी है। मैं इसको साफ़ रखती हूँ।

---दामिनी चंद्रप्रभा, दूसरी-ए



मेरे घर के बाहर एक बगीचा है। मेरा बगीचा बहुत सुंदर है। बगीचे में तरह-तरह के पौधे और झूले लगे हैं। शाम को मैं और मेरी सहेलियाँ बगीचे में खेलने जाती हैं। मैं बगीचे में लगे पेड़-पौधों को पानी देती हूँ।

---देशाना, दूसरी-डी

मेरी पाठशाला



पाठशाला ज्ञान का मंदिर होता है। यहाँ बच्चों का पूर्ण विकास होता है। बच्चों के विकास से ही देश और संसार का विकास होता है। मेरी पाठशाला का नाम समरविल है। पाठशाला में हमें सभी अध्यापकों और सहपाठियों का आदर करना सिखाया जाता है। पाठशाला जाने से हमारे जीवन में अनुशासन आता है। यहाँ सभी धर्मों का आदर करना सिखाते हैं। यहाँ हम पढ़ने आते हैं। यहाँ खेलते भी हैं। मुझे मेरी पाठशाला बहुत अच्छी लगती है।

---दिव्यांश गर्ग, तीसरी-ए



आइसक्रीम



आइसक्रीम वह चीज़ है जिसका नाम सुनते ही सभी के मुँह में पानी आ जाता है। चाहे कोई बच्चा हो या बूढ़ा। यह सभी को प्रिय है। कोई भी अवसर आइसक्रीम के बिना अधूरा होता है। कभी कप तो कभी कोन में इसका आनंद लिया जा सकता है। गरमी में कड़ी धूप में सबसे बड़ी राहत दिलाती है आइसक्रीम। सरदी में भी इसे खाने का अपना ही मज़ा है। संसार के सभी हिस्सों में आइसक्रीम खाई जाती है। सभी की तरह मुझे भी आइसक्रीम खाना बहुत पसंद है। यह मेरी पसंदीदा चीज़ों में से एक है।

---अविशी दत्ता, तीसरी-सी

मैं हर देश में पाई जाती हूँ। बच्चे और बूढ़े मुझे एक समान प्यार करते हैं। मैं कई रंगों व आकारों में आती हूँ। मैं हर दावत में मेज़ पर पाई जाती हूँ। मैं लोगों को ठंडक पहुँचाती हूँ। मैं ठंडी और क्रीमी होती हूँ। लेकिन जीभ पर आते ही मेरा आकार बदल जाता है और मैं घुल जाती हूँ। मैं दूध, क्रीम और चीनी से बनती हूँ इसीलिए मैं पौष्टिक भी हूँ। क्या आप बता सकते हैं कि मैं कौन हूँ? आपने सही पहचाना मैं आइसक्रीम हूँ ठंडी आइसक्रीम।



---अनाहिता, तीसरी-बी

मेरा प्रिय पक्षी



मेरा प्रिय पक्षी मोर है। यह हमारा राष्ट्रीय पक्षी है। मोर बड़ा और सुंदर पक्षी होता है। इसके पंखों पर चाँद जैसे धब्बे होते हैं। वो चमकते भी हैं। उसके सिर पर मुकुट जैसी कलगी है इसलिए इसको पक्षियों का राजा भी माना जाता है। मोर को बादल बहुत पसंद हैं। बारिश आने पर अपने पंख फैलाकर नाचने लगता है।

---श्रेयांशी, दूसरी-सी



छोटा भीम



यदि मैं छोटा भीम होता तो मैं सबकी मदद करता । मैं अपनी ताकत का इस्तेमाल दूसरों की भलाई के लिए ही करता । मुसीबत में फंसे लोगों की मदद करना मुझे अच्छा लगता है । भीम की तरह मुझे भी लड़ू बहुत अच्छे लगते हैं । भीम ने कान्हा की मदद से क्रीमाडा का वध किया और अपने दोस्तों और लोगों को कैद से छुड़वाया । भीम बच्चों से प्यार करता है । बड़ों का आदर करता है । मैं भी भीम की तरह बहादुर बनना चाहता हूँ ।



---तुषार रंजलवाल, चौथी-बी

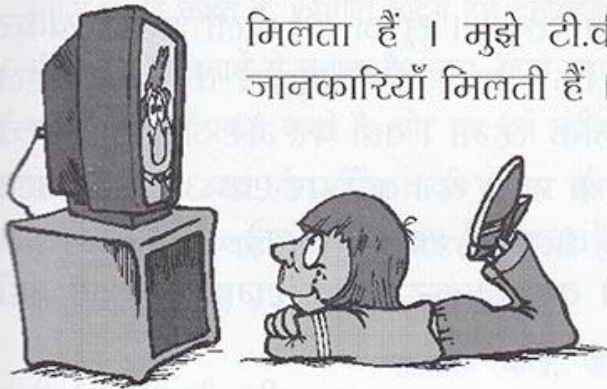
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---आयुषी सिंह, पाँचवीं-सी



प्रातः काल की सैर

हम सब स्वस्थ रहना चाहते हैं। शरीर को स्वस्थ रखने के लिए व्यायाम की आवश्यकता होती है। व्यायाम कई तरह के किए जाते हैं किन्तु प्रातः काल की सैर सबसे अच्छा व्यायाम बताया जाता है। मैं प्रतिदिन सुबह अपने पिताजी के साथ सैर पर जाती हूँ। गाँव में लोग मैदानों में सैर करने जाते हैं किन्तु शहरों में हम लोग नज़दीक के पार्क या बगीचे में सैर करने जाते हैं। प्रातः काल की सैर पर जाने के लिए सुबह जल्दी उठना पड़ता है। जिससे हमारे शरीर को सुबह की ताज़ी हवा मिलती है जो हमारे शरीर के लिए उत्तम होती है। प्रातः काल की सैर पर जाने से मुझे चिड़ियों का चहकना और सूर्य उदय देखने को मिलता है। जिससे मेरा मन प्रसन्न और शरीर में ताज़गी का अनुभव होता है। इससे मेरे शरीर में काम करने की ऊर्जा प्राप्त होती है। इसलिए मुझे प्रातः काल की सैर पर जाना पसंद है।



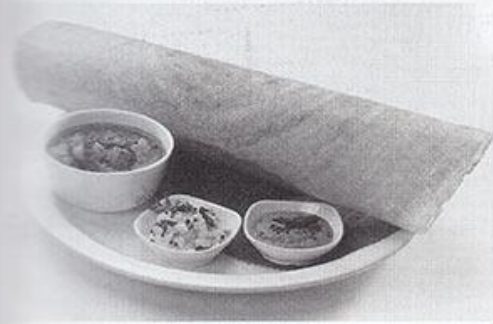
---हर्षिता सिंह, चौथी-डी

प्रातः काल का मतलब सुंदर सूरज और स्वच्छ हवा में घूमना। गरमियों की छुट्टियाँ हो रही थी। मुझे अपने पिताजी के साथ जाने का शुभ अवसर मिला। मैं अपने घर के पास वाले पार्क में सैर के लिए गई। जब सब सो रहे थे तब पक्षी गा रहे थे। सूरज की पीली छटा देखकर मुझे खुशी हुई। फिर माताजी ने मुझसे कहा कि पहले तेज़-तेज़ चलना ठीक रहेगा। वहाँ पर मेरे जैसे कई बच्चे अपने माता-पिता के साथ थे। वहाँ पर एक अखबार वाला बैठा था और चाय वाला भी था। कुछ बड़े-बूढ़े भी व्यायाम कर रहे थे। मुझे वहाँ जाकर अच्छा लगा काश मैं वहाँ रोज़ जा पाती।

---अवनी चौधरी, चौथी-ए

वाह! क्या स्वाद है!

जब कभी हम कोई स्वादिष्ट चीज़ खाते हैं तो हमें उसका स्वाद अनुभव होता है जो हमें जीभ से अनुभव होता है। स्वाद कई प्रकार के होते हैं जैसे - खट्टा, मीठा, नमकीन स्वाद। हर व्यक्ति का अपना - अपना स्वाद होता है। जिस व्यक्ति को जो स्वाद अच्छा लगता है वह उसी को बड़े चाव से खाता है और कहता कि वाह! क्या स्वाद है!



हर प्रांत के व्यंजन का अपना स्वाद है। जब कोई दक्षिण का व्यक्ति डोसा व इडली खाता है तो उसको उसी व्यंजन में स्वाद आता है और कहता कि वाह! क्या स्वाद है! और हम बच्चों का भी अपना ही अलग स्वाद होता है। हम बच्चों को टॉफी, चॉकलेट, चाऊमीन, पीज़ा, बर्गर और मैगी में बहुत स्वाद आता है। जब कि हम सब जानते हैं कि ये सब चीज़ें हमारे लिए हानिकारक हैं। हमें इन से बचना चाहिए।

हमें सदैव स्वादिष्ट पोषण युक्त भोजन करना चाहिए जो कि हमारे स्वास्थ्य के लिए अच्छा हो, सदैव स्वाद पर ही नहीं जाना चाहिए। हमें वे चीज़ें खानी चाहिए जो हमारे लिए लाभप्रद हो। जब हम कभी शादी या अन्य किसी अवसर पर आते हैं, तो हमें वहाँ चारों तरफ भोजन ही मिलता है। सारा भोजन स्वाद से परिपूर्ण होता है। वहाँ पर हमें कुछ ऐसी चीज़ें भी मिलती हैं जो हमारे लिए हानिकारक हो जैसे - आइसक्रीम, ठंडा जल और कोल्डड्रिंक हमें ये सब चीज़ें नहीं खानी चाहिए। हमें हमेशा वह भोजन करना चाहिए जो हमारे लिए अच्छा हो।

---दीपाली, पाँचवीं-बी

वाद्य यंत्र

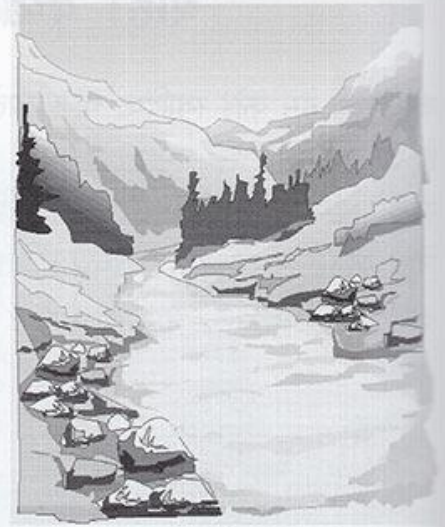
मन के विचारों को दिल की आवाज़ों को जब हम अपने वाद्य यंत्रों से लय और ताल में पिरोते हैं तो उसे हम संगीत वाद्य कहते हैं। संगीत वाद्य हमें दुरुपयोग, गलत संगीत एवं कुविचारों से बचाता है। हम अपने उद्गारों को इसी के द्वारा प्रकट करते हैं और यह हमें बोलिल होने से बचाते हैं। अन्य लोग संगीत वाद्य सुनकर प्रसन्न होते हैं। जिससे हमें वाह-वाही और शोहरत मिलती है। यह हमारा प्रिय मित्र है। हमें इसे अपनाना चाहिए।

---कार्तिक त्यागी, पाँचवीं-डी

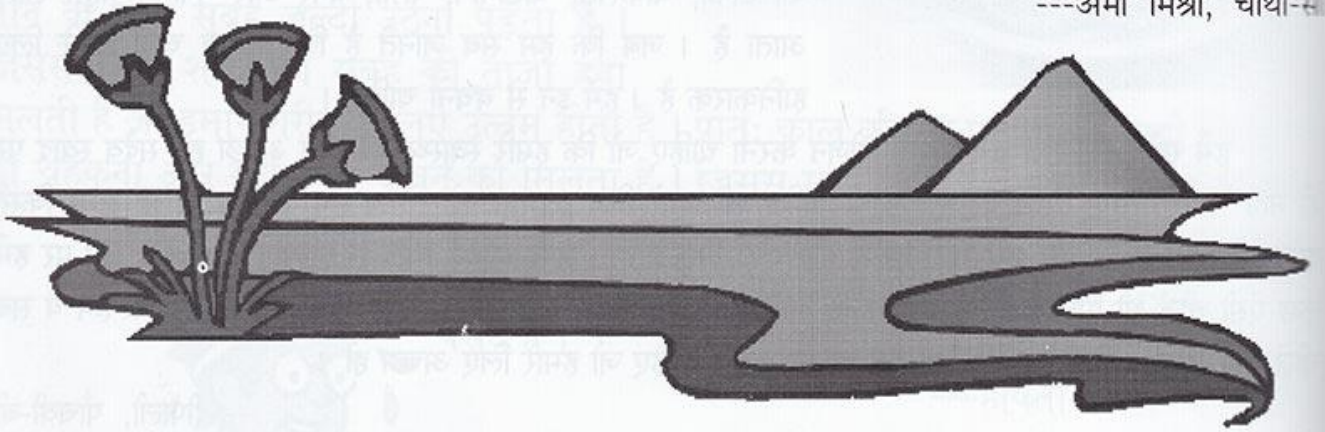


यदि मैं नदी होती

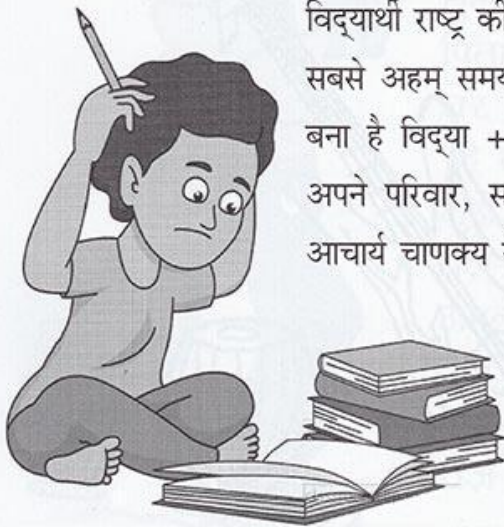
एक सतत् सार्वभौमिक सत्य है कि जल ही जीवन है । जल का मुख्य रूप नदी ही होती है । यदि मैं नदी होती तो अपने साथ अथाह जल लेकर चलती । यदि मैं नदी होती तो अपने साथ साफ़-स्वच्छ जल लेकर चलती । ये जल लोगों की प्यास बुझाने का काम करता । यदि मैं नदी होती तो बहुत लंबी और गहरी होती । मैं अपने तटों पर सभ्यताओं को जन्म देती और अपने साथ मानव पुरखों की कहानी लिखती । मैं अपने जल से खेतों को सींचती और मानवों की भूख और प्यास दूर करती । मैं अपने जल से घाटियों का निर्माण करती जिससे विभिन्न प्रकार के फूलों तथा वृक्षों का निर्माण होता । इस जल से जीवन आनंदपूर्ण होता ।



---अमी मिश्रा, चौथी-सं



विद्यार्थी जीवन कितना मधुर

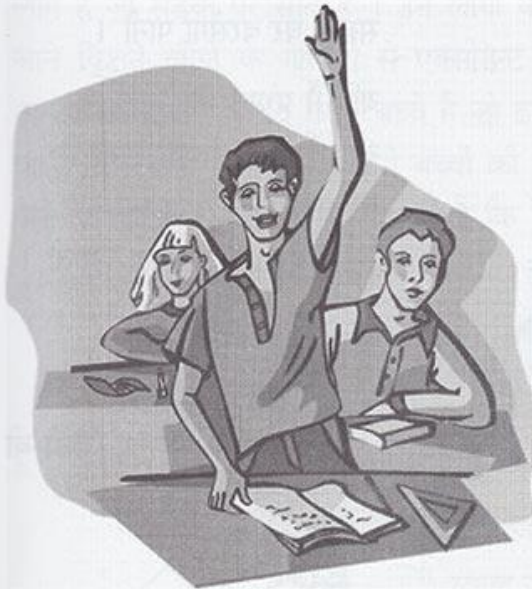


विद्यार्थी राष्ट्र की सबसे बड़ी संपत्ति है । विद्यार्थी जीवन मनुष्य का सबसे अहम् समय होता है । विद्यार्थी शब्द दो शब्दों को मिलाकर बना है विद्या + अर्थी जिसका अर्थ है कि एक अच्छा विद्यार्थी अपने परिवार, समाज और राष्ट्र के लिए ज्ञान प्राप्त करता है । आचार्य चाणक्य ने कहा है कि एक अच्छे विद्यार्थी के पाँच लक्षण होते हैं कि वह कौआ जैसा चालाक हो, कुत्ते जैसी नींद वाला हो, बगुले जैसा ध्यान हो, कम खाता हो और घर को त्यागकर विद्या ग्रहण करता हो ।



---मोक्षिता गुप्ता, चौथी-सं

विद्यार्थी जीवन एवं अनुशासन



विद्यार्थी जीवन सबसे अधिक मजेदार होता है । इस जीवन में दोस्त सबसे अच्छे लगते हैं । पढ़ाई बहुत ज़रूरी होती है । पढ़ाई तथा दोस्तों के साथ-साथ अनुशासन भी बहुत ज़रूरी है । हमें अपने अध्यापक एवं अध्यापिकाओं से नम्रता पूर्वक बात करनी चाहिए। अपने बड़ों का आदर करना चाहिए । एक विद्यार्थी को अपने जीवन में एक न एक लक्ष्य ज़रूर प्राप्त करना चाहिए । हमें खूब मेहनत करके कुछ बनकर दिखाना होगा । आज के नए युग में बच्चों में वह संस्कृति तथा सभ्यता नहीं रही । हमारे गुरुओं का यही तो काम है, हमें संस्कृति तथा सभ्यता पर चलने की सही राह दिखाना । हमें गुरुओं का सम्मान करना है, करते हैं और करते रहेंगे । तो यही है विद्यार्थी जीवन तथा अनुशासन ।



---स्नेहा सनवाल, छठी-डी



एक और एक ग्यारह

जब हाथों में हो हाथ,
सब हों जब एक साथ,
तो डरने की क्या है बात,
एकता में बल है,
एकता हर परेशानी का हल है,
एकता हमारा जीवन करती सफल है,
जब दो प्राण मिलते हैं
दोगुनी हो जाती है शक्ति

मुश्किल से मुश्किल काम बन जाते हैं,
अगर मन में हो सच्ची भक्ति,
एकता जीवन की दौड़ में दौड़ाती है,
एकता हर दुविधा का समाधान बताती है,
एकता सुख और शांति का संदेश फैलाती है,
तो क्यों न हम एकता अपना लें,
अपना जीवन सफल बना लें ॥

---वैष्णवी, सातवीं-बी



यदि मैं प्रधानमंत्री होती

यदि मैं प्रधान मंत्री होती,
तो मैं करती देश की सेवा
इस देश को आगे बढ़ाती,
कोई ना रहे अनपढ़ और भूखा ।

यदि मैं प्रधान मंत्री होती,
होते यहाँ बहुत से मकान
मैं बढ़ाऊँगी देश की,
आन बान और शान ।

यदि मैं प्रधान मंत्री होती,
दुश्मन याद करते अपनी नानी



देश को सुंदर बना दूँगी
सबके घर बरसेगा पानी ।

यदि मैं प्रधान मंत्री होती,
बुरे लोगों को सबक सिखाती
हर मनुष्य की मदद करके,
अपने देश को मजबूत बनाती ।

यदि मैं प्रधानमंत्री होती,
यदि मैं प्रधानमंत्री होती ।

---संजना, छठी-बे

मैं सोचती हूँ कि अगर मैं प्रधानमंत्री होती तो क्या होता ? मैं पूरे देश की प्रगति करने की कोशिश करती । बुरे तथा भ्रष्टाचारी लोगों को जेल भिजवाती । गरीबों के लिए अच्छी सुविधाएँ उपलब्ध करवाती । मैं एक संस्था बनवाती जिसमें कोई भी जाकर अपनी परेशानी का हल जान सकता । मैं चाहती हूँ कि देश में ऐसा कोई बच्चा न हो जो स्कूल न जाए । जो लोग लड़के और लड़कियों में भेद-भाव करते हैं मैं उन्हें कड़ी से कड़ी सज़ा दिलवाती । मैं प्रदूषण कम करने के लिए रैली करवाकर लोगों को जागरूक करती । अगर मैं प्रधान मंत्री होती तो मैं बहुत खुश होती और दूसरों को भी खुश रखती ।

---वनीशा त्यागी, छठी-ए



यदि मैं प्रधानमंत्री होती तो अपने देश को प्रगति की ओर लेकर जाती । इस देश से महंगाई और भ्रष्टाचार मिटाती और गरीब बच्चों के लिए पाठशाला खुलवाती उनको पाठशाला में पढ़ाने का उत्तरदायित्व मैं लेती । गाँव में पक्का सड़कें बनवाती, लोगों के लिए बैंक खाते खुलवाती, गरीबों के लिए कपड़े दान करवाती, लड़कियों को सुरक्षा दिलवाती और अपने देश के कानून को मजबूत बनाती । हिंदू हो चाहे मुसलमान सबको एक अधिकार दिलाती । गरीब प्रजा पर अत्याचार न होने देती । मैं शहीद जवानों के परिवार को सुख-सुविधाएँ देती । मैं किसानों को सही मात्रा में खाद-पानी दिलाती क्योंकि बढ़ेगा किसान तभी तो देश बढ़ेगा । नदियों को साफ़ करवाती । पूरे भारत के गाँवों, कस्बों व शहरों को स्वच्छ रखने के लिए जन जागरण करती । काश ! मैं भी प्रधानमंत्री होती ।



---मानसी शाही, छठी-स

यदि मैं प्रधानमंत्री होती

यदि मैं प्रधानमंत्री होती तो इस देश का आज यह हाल न होता। इस देश में न जाने कितने गरीब लोग हैं जो सड़क पर सोते हैं। उन लोगों को सड़क पर न सोना पड़ता। आज की गति में न जाने कितने लोगों के गाड़ियों से एक्सीडेंट होते हैं और इसका कारण है - कच्ची सड़कें। आजकल न जाने कितने गरीब बच्चें हैं जो ढाबा, चाय की दुकान व छोटी दुकानों आदि पर काम करते हैं; जबकि उनमें से बहुत से बच्चों की उम्र पढ़ने व लिखने की होती है। उनके माता-पिता पैसों के लालच में इतने अंधे हो जाते हैं कि उन्हें अपने बच्चों का भविष्य भी नज़र नहीं आता।

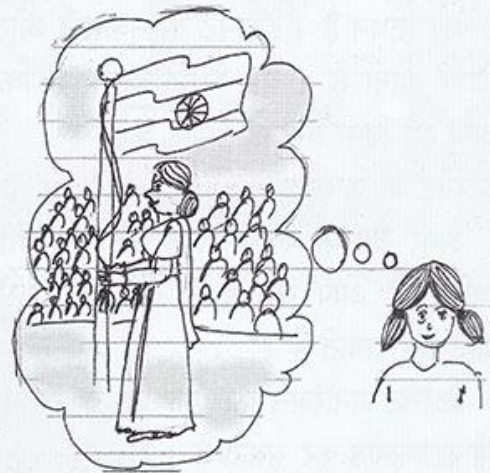


अगर आज मैं प्रधानमंत्री होती तो पहले इन बच्चों के लिए जो भी छोटी-छोटी दुकानों में काम करते हैं एक सरकारी स्कूल बनवाती। मैं यह सोचती हूँ कि प्रधानमंत्री का काम सिर्फ़ चुनाव जीतना ही नहीं बल्कि अपने देश की उन्नति के लिए काम करना होना चाहिए।

यदि मैं इस देश की प्रधानमंत्री होती तो आज यह दिन आपको देखने के लिए न मिलते और आज हर गरीब के पास अपना घर होता और हर एक बच्चा स्कूल जा रहा होता।

---लावण्या गुप्ता, छठी-डी

यदि मैं प्रधानमंत्री होती तो अपने बारे में न सोचकर देश के बारे में सोचती। प्रधानमंत्री की ज़िम्मेदारियाँ बहुत कठिन होती हैं। देश-विदेश में होने वाली क्रियाओं की जानकारी रखना आवश्यक होता है। प्रधानमंत्री बनकर मैं देश की सेवा करती। मैं महँगाई को घटा देती। लोगों को वे सारी सुविधाएँ प्राप्त कराती जो वे चाहते हैं। सभी लोगों को शिक्षित होने का हक़ है इसलिए मैं शिक्षा प्राप्त करना अनिवार्य तथा विद्यालयों में शिक्षा मुफ़्त करा देती। बच्चों को खेल-कूद में प्रोत्साहित करती और बताती कि खेल-कूद भी उतना ही ज़रूरी है जितना शिक्षा प्राप्त करना। भारत को स्वच्छ रखना भी मेरा कर्तव्य होता। मैं भ्रष्टाचार को जड़ से मिटा देती। मैं लोगों के बीच



भेद-भाव मिटाकर उनमें एक-दूसरे के प्रति इंसानियत तथा प्रेम पैदा करती। वैज्ञानिकों को प्रयोग करने में भी बढ़ावा देती। मुझे गणतंत्र दिवस की परेड को प्रत्यक्ष रूप में देखने व जवानों को सलामी देने तथा स्वतंत्रता दिवस पर लाल किले में झंडा फहराने व भाषण देने का भी अवसर मिलता। मेरी पूर्ण कोशिश रहेगी कि मैं सदा देश के हित में कार्य करूँ और भारत का सिर ऊँचा कर रखूँ।

---भाविका चौधरी, छठी-डी

इंटरनेट

इंटरनेट मानव जीवन विज्ञान के आविष्कार का अमूल्य योगदान है। कंप्यूटर का जाल पूरे संसार में फैल चुका है। इंटरनेट की पहुँच मूल्यवान व उपयोगी जानकारी तक पहुँच चुकी है। सबसे पहले इंटरनेट का प्रयोग केवल अमेरिका में ही होता था लेकिन दस साल के बाद इंटरनेट पूरे संसार में फैल गया है। १९८६ में अमेरिका के रक्षा विभाग ने कुछ कंप्यूटरों को प्रशासनिक नेटवर्क से जोड़ा और दूर तक की जानकारी प्राप्त की। कुछ साल बाद इंटरनेट ने अमेरिका के विश्व विद्यालय के अन्दर अपनी जगह बना ली। इंटरनेट की विशेषताएँ बहुत सारी हैं जैसे वह मनोरंजन के लिए प्रयोग किया जाता है, और विभिन्न जगह की जानकारी के लिए प्रयोग किया जाता है। इसके कुछ दुष्परिणाम भी हैं जैसे कुछ लोग दूसरों को अपना दोस्त बनाकर उनको परेशान करते हैं। छात्रों को इंटरनेट का उपयोग जानकारी के लिए करना चाहिए।



---तरूण सिंह, सातवीं-डी

इंटरनेट परस्पर शिक्षा, और व्यापार का अच्छा साधन है। इंटरनेट के नुकसान और फायदे दोनों हैं। यह निर्भर करता है कि आप इसे किस तरह इस्तेमाल करते हैं- इंटरनेट के फायदे -

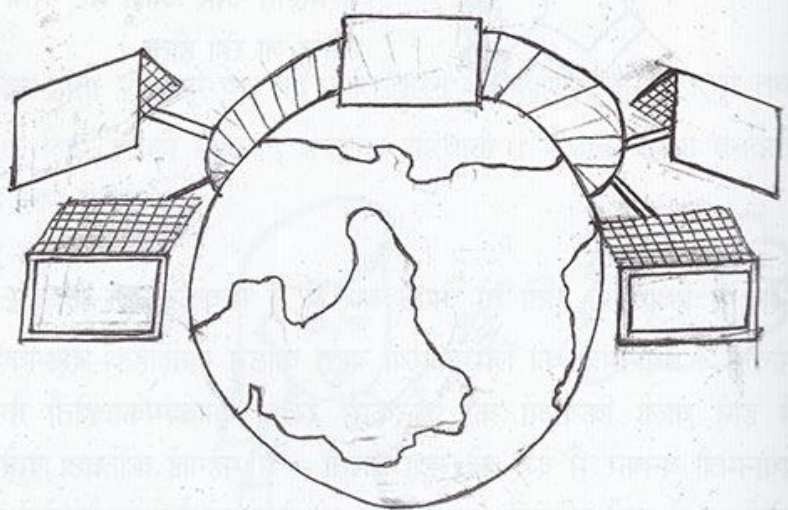
- अगर आपको किसी तरह की जानकारी चाहिए तो आप सर्च इंजन के द्वारा उसे प्राप्त कर सकते हैं।
- इंटरनेट मनोरंजन का एक अच्छा साधन है। अगर आप बोर हो रहे हो तो आप फिल्म, गाना, गेम्स आदि कुछ भी डाउनलोड कर सकते हैं।
- आप इंटरनेट के द्वारा ई-मेल और चैटिंग घंटों तक कर सकते हैं।

इंटरनेट के नुकसान -



- अगर आप इंटरनेट का उपयोग ऑनलाइन बैंकिंग, सोशल नेटवर्किंग साइट या अन्य साइटों के लिए कर रहे हैं तो आपकी पर्सनल इनफॉर्मेशन का कोई गलत उपयोग कर सकता है।
- इससे आपको वायरस का खतरा भी रहता है।
- आपको इसका सबसे बड़ा खतरा यह है कि आपको इसकी आदत सी हो जाती है।

---प्रणय, यादव, सातवीं-डी



Environment Week

Let's go green...



Poster Making Competition - Tree-A Friend for Life



English Debate Competition - Managing E-Waste is the need of the hour



Akhil Ravi IX-A and Sudhanshu Gupta X-D



Abhit Singh X-A and Harsh Vardhan Chauhan IX-D



Roopal Chauhan XI-D and Sanya Monadeepa Claudius XI-D

**When the last tree is cut and the last fish killed, the last river poisoned,
then you will see that you can't eat money - John May**

Arbour Day



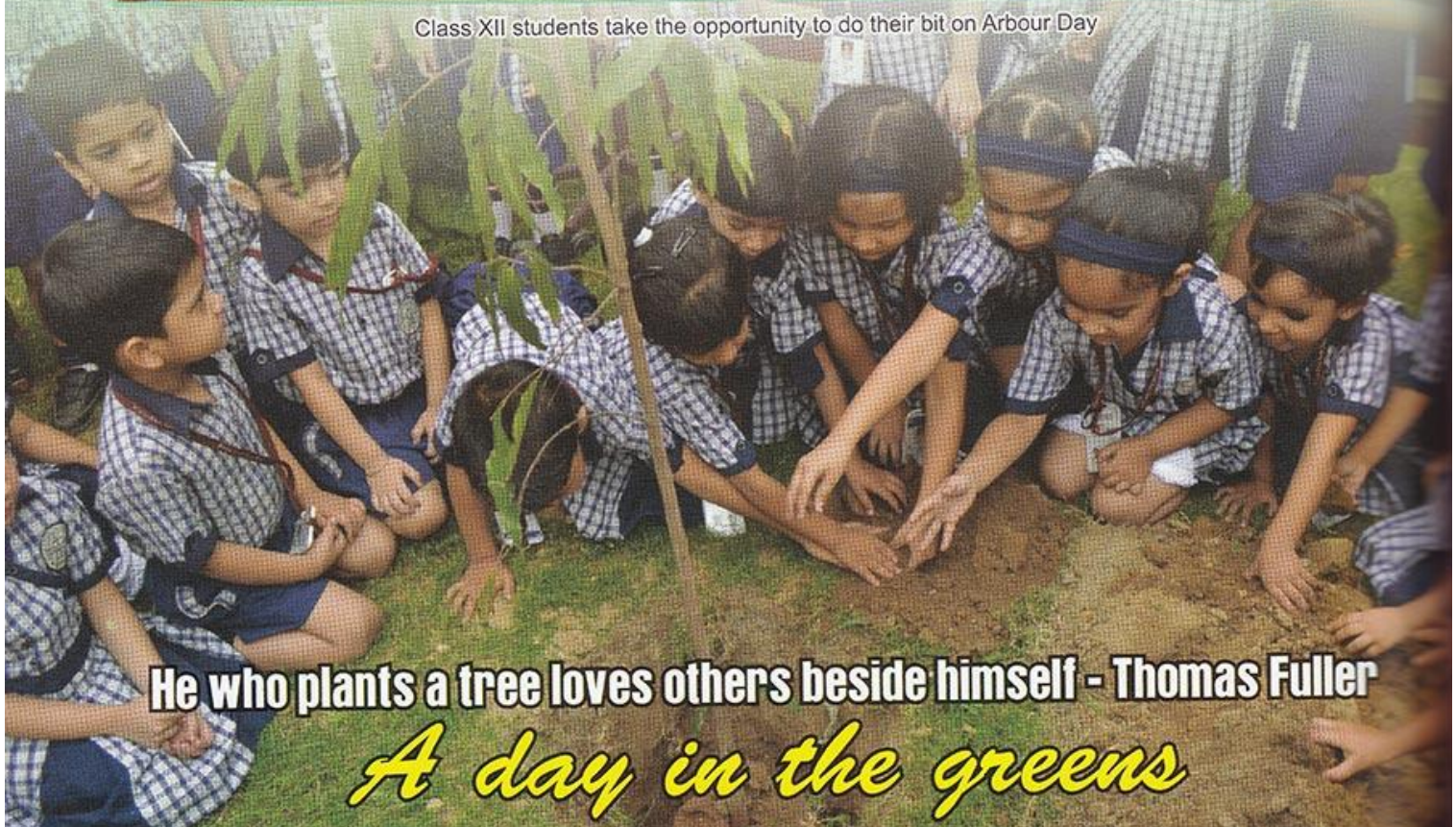
Mr. Thomas T. Roy, Secretary/Treasurer L.C.B.M. in India plants a sapling on Arbour Day



Dr. Mary Thomas, Principal, encourages tree plantation



Class XII students take the opportunity to do their bit on Arbour Day



He who plants a tree loves others beside himself - Thomas Fuller

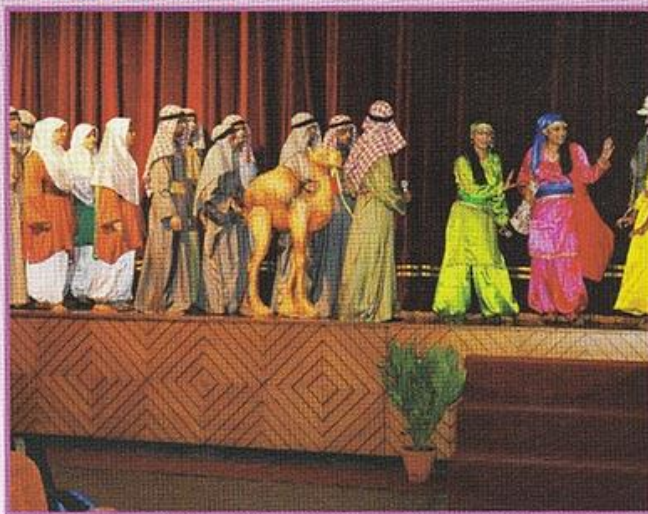
A day in the greens

Annual Day - Senior School

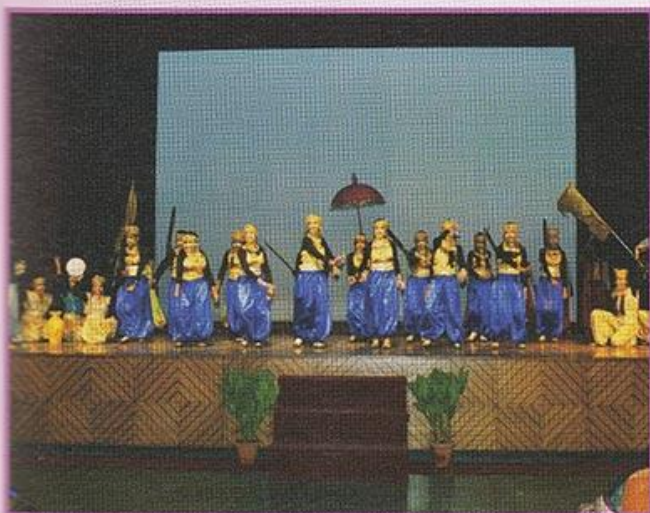
Alladin - A Musical



Western Music Choir



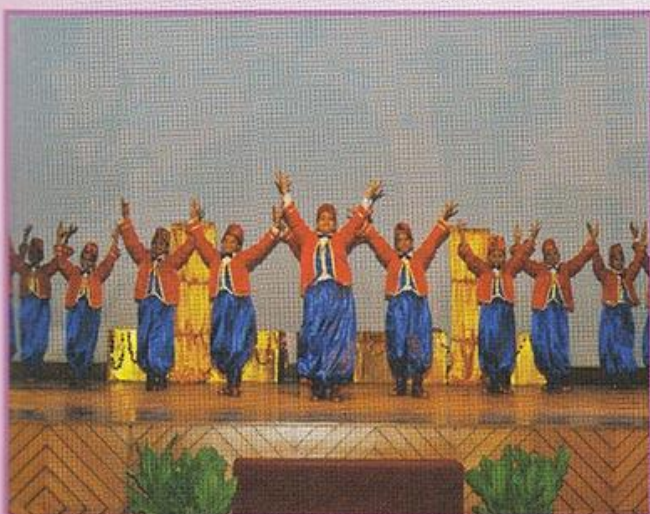
Weary travellers



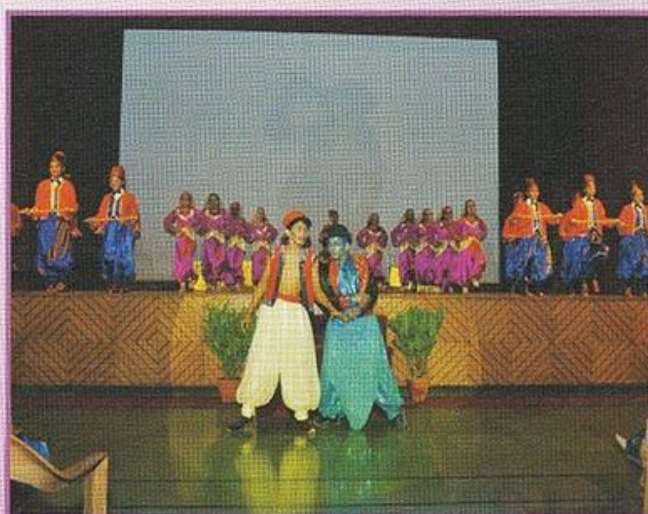
Opening song - 'Arabian Nights'



Siddhi Agarwal (X-D) as Princess Jasmine, reveals her identity



Song - 'Friend Like Me'



Ayush Som (XI-B) as Alladin and Archit Shukla (XI-D) as the genie

Arabian Nights

Annual Day - Senior School

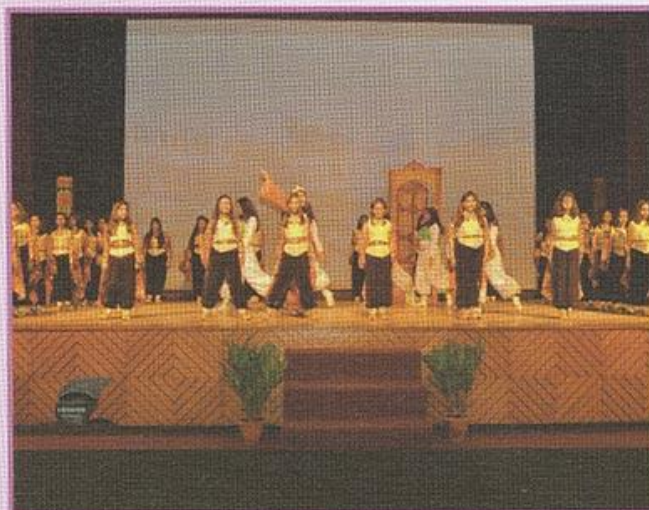
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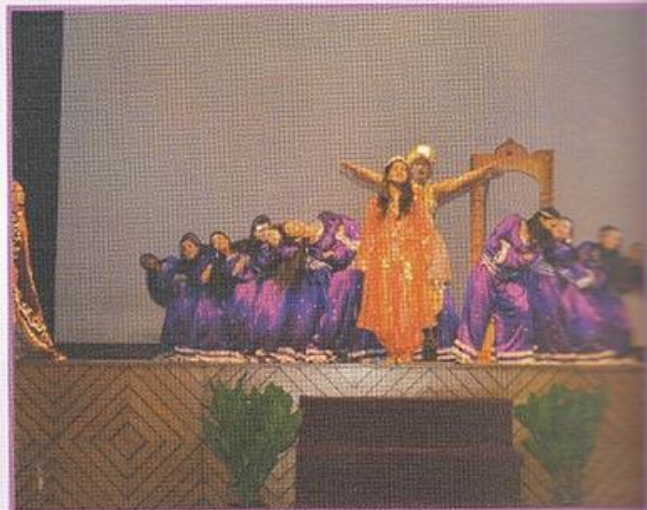
Grand entry of Prince Ali



The Fanfare



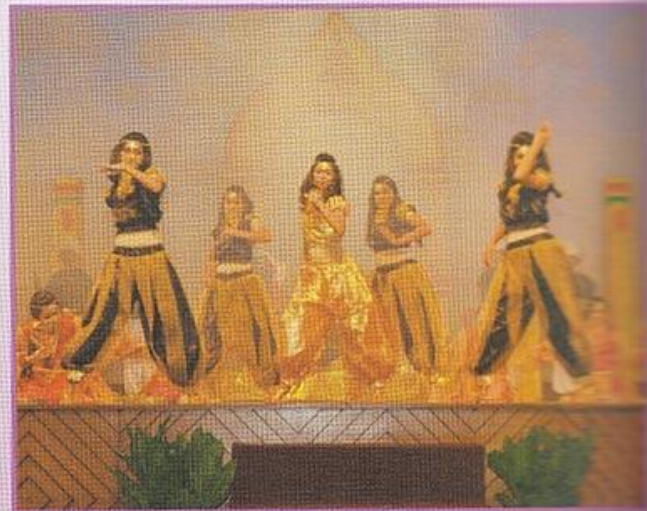
Song - These palace walls



Song - A whole new world



Time for a group photo

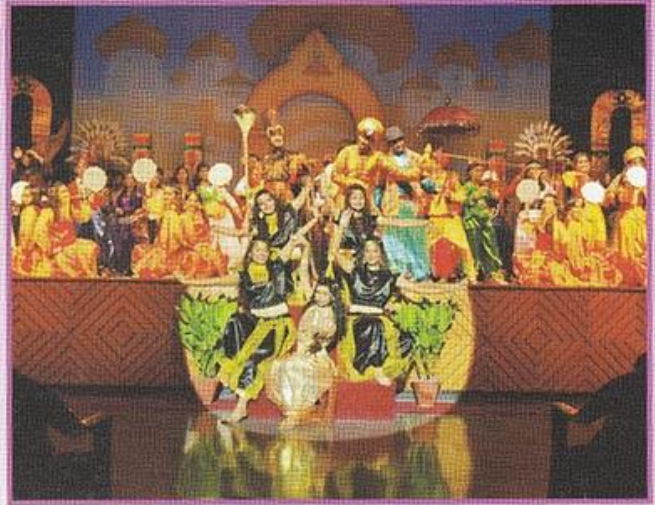


Celebration dance

The land of magical carpet

Annual Day - Senior School

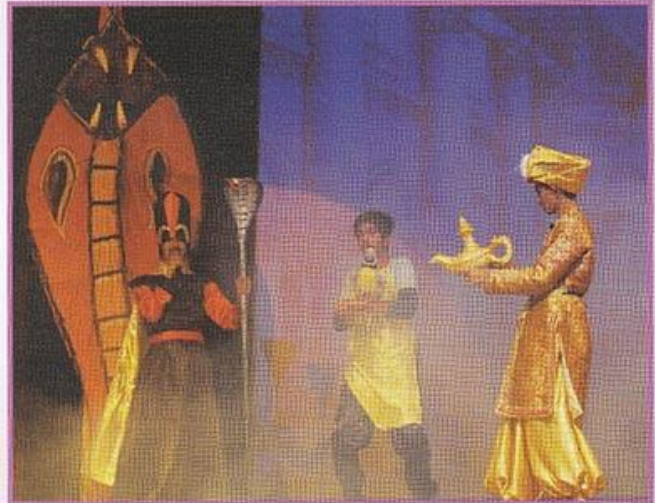
Alladin - A Musical



The Grand Finale



Celebration dance



Downfall of Jafar - The evil Wazir



Ishani Bhattacharya XII-A, Piyush Kumar XI-C and
Protima Banerjee XI-A as narrators

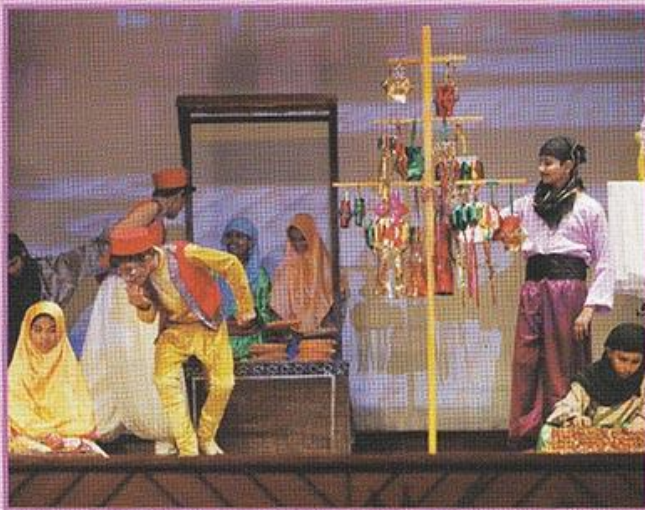


Arpit Sharma (X-D) as Jafar and Parth Gogia (IX-D)
as Iago, the parrot

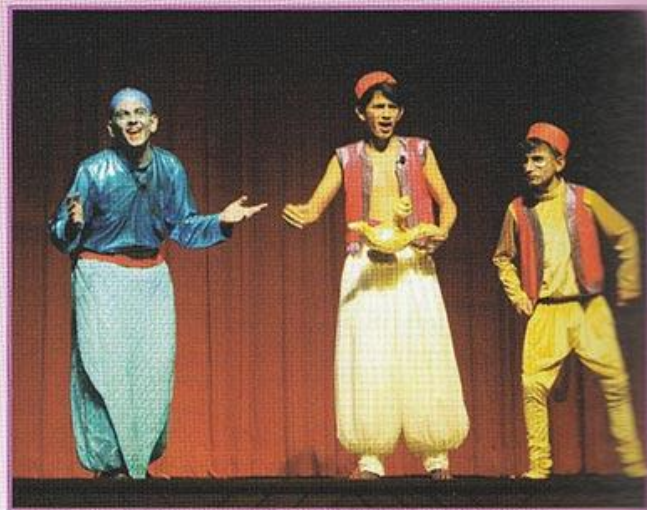
Agrabah the city of mystery and enchantment

Annual Day - Senior School

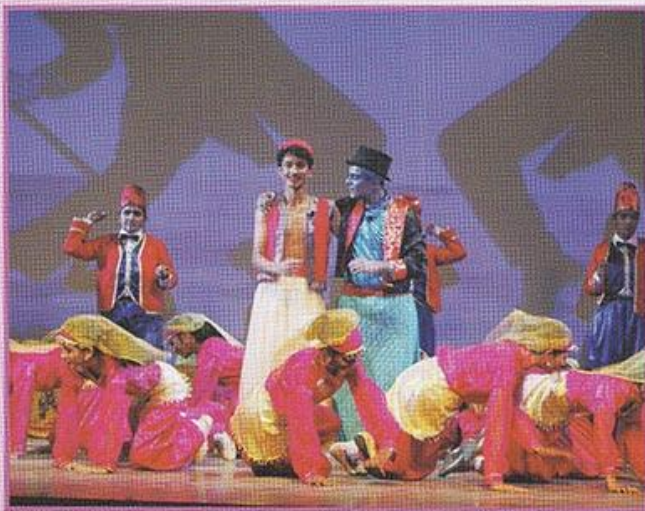
Alladin - A Musical



Isac Gambhir (XI-A) as Abu, the monkey



Inside the cave



Song - Friend like me



Our esteemed guests



Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas gives the vote of thanks

A whole new world

Proverb Enactment

Inter House Event



WISDOM IS NOTHING BUT EARTHLY COMMON SENSE



HINDI PROVERB - 'Adhjal Gagri Chalkat Jaye'



HONESTY IS THE BEST POLICY



HINDI PROVERB - 'Ser Ko Sawa Ser'



HINDI PROVERB - 'Anekta mei Ekta'



WISDOM IS BETTER THAN STRENGTH



HINDI PROVERB - 'Ek Aur Ek Gyarah'

The actor is an athlete of the art

Salad Making - Junior School



Our Little Chefs - Creative panache at it's peak

Western Music Competition - Junior School



David House



Daniel House



Solomon House



Moses House

Music is in our heart

Republic Day Celebrations



Hoisting of the flag by Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas



My India, My Pride



The Indian Music Choir



Students from Humanities stream take the dais



Be the change you want to see in this world and feel proud to be an Indian

Inception of our Constitution... an unending reason to rejoice

Junior School Sports Day - Laureola



Arrival of the esteemed guests



Drill - People at work



Race - Treasure Hunt



Drill - Reflectors



The splendid Mexican drill



Drill - Thriller



Drill - My God is so mighty



Drill - Gummy Bears

Set your goal high and don't stop till you get there

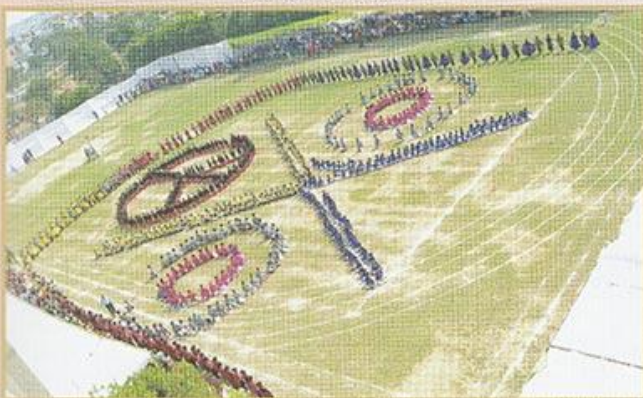
Junior School Sports Day - Laureola



Quest for victory



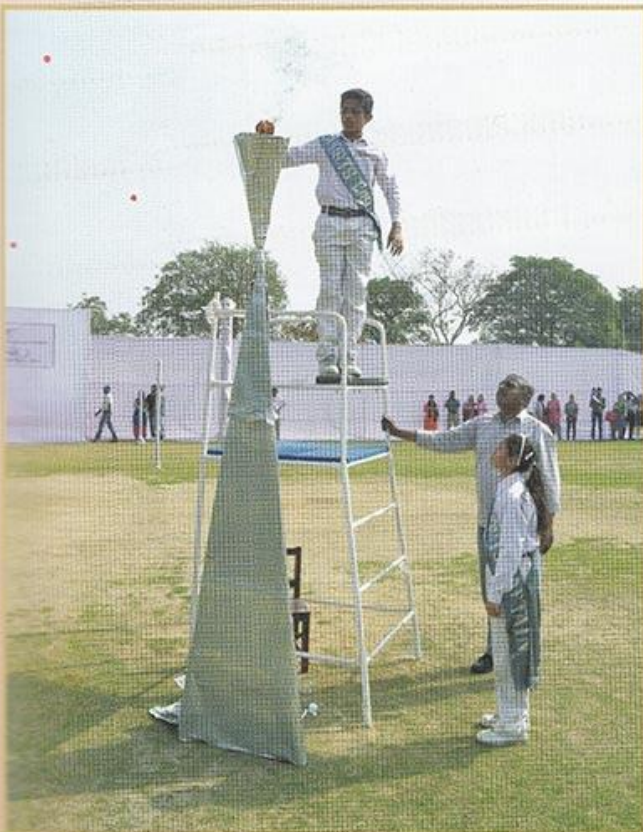
Race with pace



Grand Finale



A symbol of peace



Ansh Chauhan, Sports Captain, lights the torch



Mr. Thomas T. Roy illuminates the torch



Oath ceremony

Persistence can change failures into extraordinary achievements

Junior School Sports Day - Laureola



Marching contingents



Drill - Reflectors



Drill - people at work



Obstacle Race



Birthday party race



Drill - Harmony



The laureate presence



Welcome Dance

The strength of the group is the strength of the leaders

Junior School Sports Day - Laureola



Head Boy, Manuj Tyagi leading the school in march past



Manya Baranwal V-A leading Daniel House



David House Captain Anusha Pandey V-B, presenting the guard of honour



Moses House marching in Harmony led by Sherin Gogia V-C



The House Captain Solomon House led by Rini Daniel V-B



Race - My beautiful garden



Race - Yummy Burger

True sportsmanship is excellence in motion

Junior School Sports Day - Laureola



Winners of Class III race - Passing the ball



Winners of Class II race - Treasure hunt

Chairperson and Director, Mrs. D. A. Tressler gives away the prizes



Winners of Class III race - race-1



Daniel House, best marching contingent



Winners of Class I race - My beautiful garden



Winners Class IV - Best drill, Mexican Dance, with the dignitaries



The Grand Finale

Tactics, fitness, stroke ability, experience and sportsmanship are all necessary for winning

Junior School Sports Day - Laureola



Winners of Obstacle Race (Boys) Class-IV Group A



Winners of Obstacle Race (Girls) Class-IV Group A



Winners of race - Yummy burgers - Class K.G.



Winners of Obstacle Race - Class IV Group-B



Winners of Relay Race



Mr. Thomas T. Roy addresses the gathering



A vote of thanks by Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas



Head Mistress, Mrs. S. Egbert

There's nothing greater than a challenge - Terry Bradshaw

Preparatory School - Indian Music Competition



Nursery D - First Position



Nursery A - Second Position



Nursery C - Third Position



Nursery B



K.G. C - First Position



K.G. A - Second Position



K.G. D - Third Position



K.G. B

If music be the food of love, play on - Shakespeare

Preparatory School - Independence Day



Stand for what is right, even if it means standing alone

Election Campaign



Rupashi XII-D



Karen Vanessa Pennefather XII-B



Ayushi Rohela XII-C



Aakriti Dwivedi XII-C



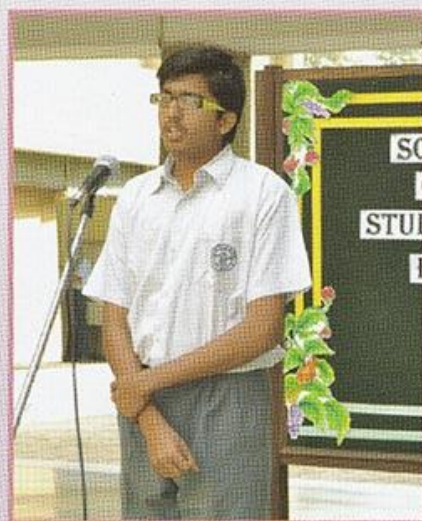
Sakshi Singhal XII-C



Ayushi Joshi XII-C



Shibi Srivastava XII-B



K. Kaushik XII-D



Anubhav Khandwal XII-B

VOTE FOR ME... I AM THE BEST...

Workshop for Students



Workshop on 'Dream Career'



Workshop on 'Dream Career'



Workshop during Computer Week



Aditi Chand X-B, speaks out her mind during Computer Week

Workshop for Students



Workshop during 'Road Safety Week'



Workshop on Exam Stress by Ms. Monisha Claudius for Class XII students



Workshop by Mrs. Mamta Mehrotra and Mrs. Sheeba Antony



Workshop by International Maritime Institute



ITS Quiz

Workshops for Teachers



Children's Forest Program organised by OISCA, North India



CCE workshop at Samsara World School



Workshop by Educomp - Resource Person, Ms. Richa Sharma



CCE Workshop at Samsara World School

Polishing their tools further

Workshops for Teachers



Workshop for Maths teachers by Orient Black Swan Pvt. Ltd.



Workshop on Instructional Effectiveness by
Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas



Workshop by Ms. Monisha Gupta, 'How to inculcate
reading habits in students'

Updating knowledge

Workshops for Teachers



Workshop by Ms. Monisha Gupta, 'How to inculcate reading habits in students'



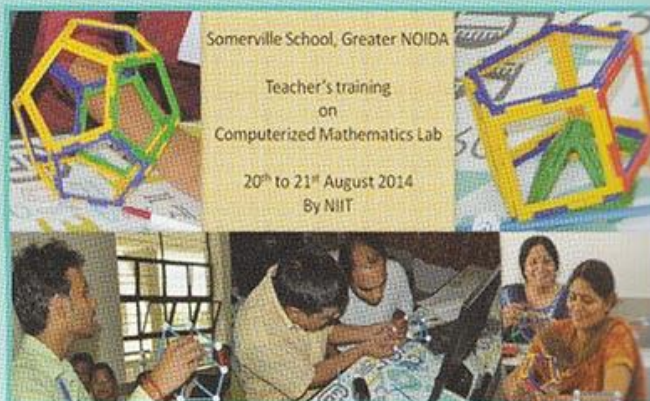
SUPW Workshop



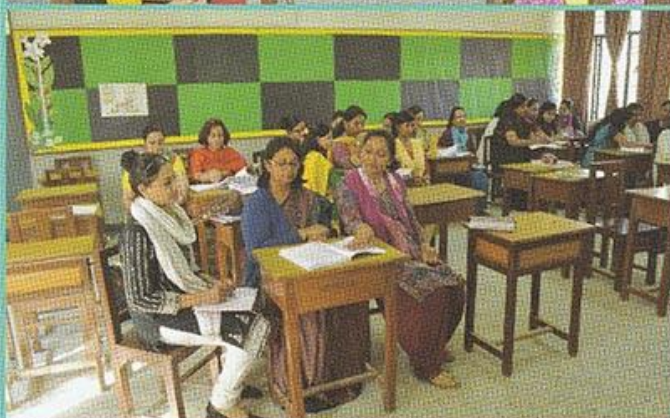
Lecture on 'Breast Cancer Awareness' by
Jaypee Health Care Limited, NOIDA

Practice makes a man perfect

Workshops for Teachers



Maths Workshop by NIIT - Computerized Mathematics Lab



English Workshop by Mrs. D. A. Tressler, Chairperson and Director Somerville Schools

Teachers at work

Workshop for Support Staff



Road Safety Week



Mr. Khanna, Maruti Suzuki talks to the support staff



Workshop by Mr. Sharma from Maruti Suzuki

Prevention is better than cure

W. C. Somerville Memorial Football Tournament



Principal Dr. Mary Thomas greets the team



Principal Dr. Mary Thomas inaugurates the tournament



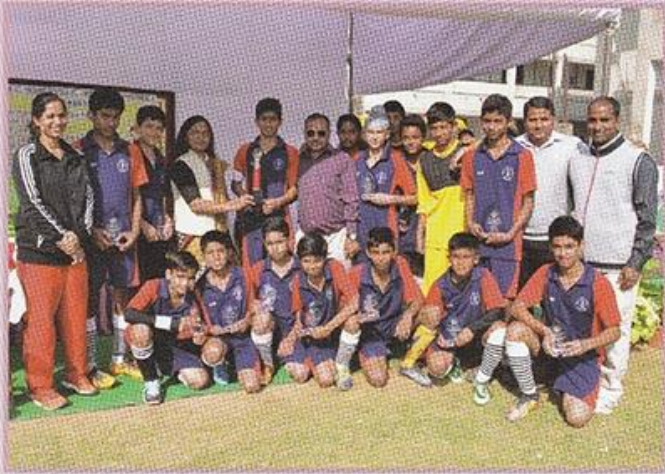
Teams of Somerville School Greater NOIDA
and Aster Public School



Aster Public School, Runner-up team



W. C. Somerville Memorial Football Tournament



Somerville School, Greater Noida - The winning team



Tarun Bhati, Best Striker, Aster Public School



Rohit Nagar, Best Goal Keeper, Somerville School, Greater Noida



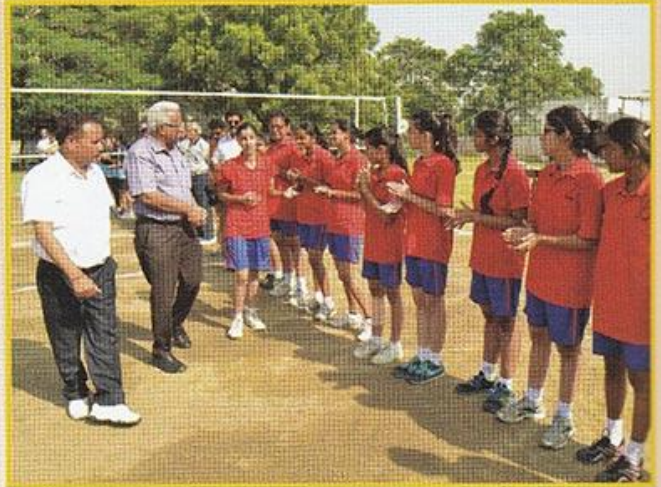
Vidit Sharma, Player of the Tournament, Somerville School, Greater Noida



Dr. Ivy Nelson Memorial Inter Somerville Volleyball Tournament



Our esteemed guests



Mr. Thomas T. Roy, Superintendent & Secretary/Treasurer LCBM in India, being introduced to the participants



True sportsmanship displayed



Wonderful team spirit (One finger cannot lift a pebble)

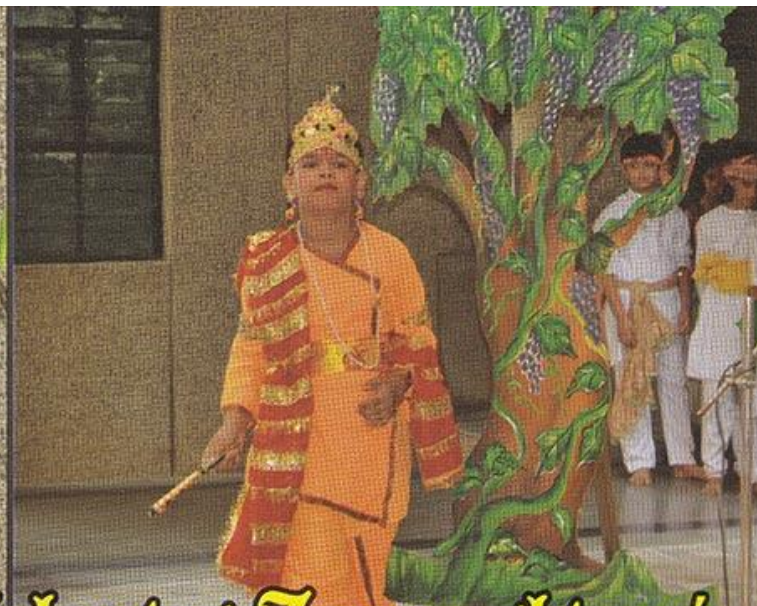


Somerville School, Vasundhara Enclave with the Champions Trophy

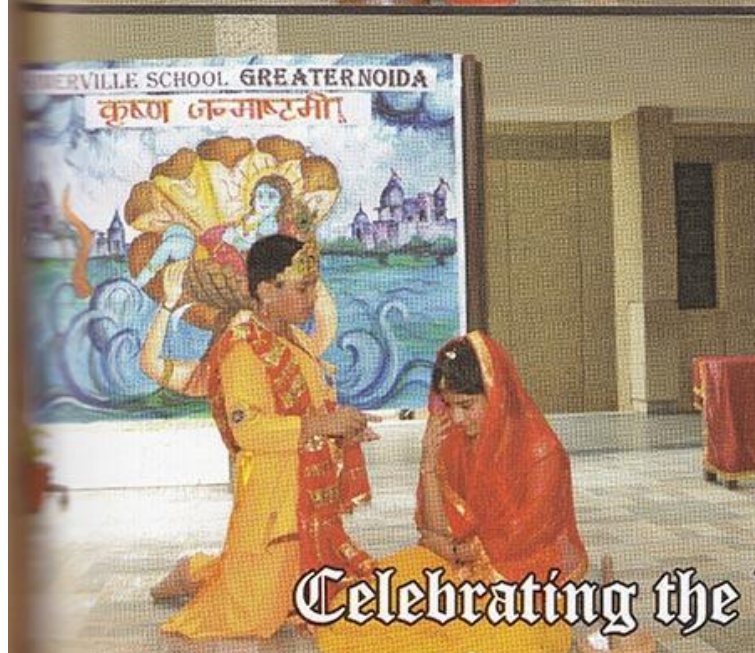
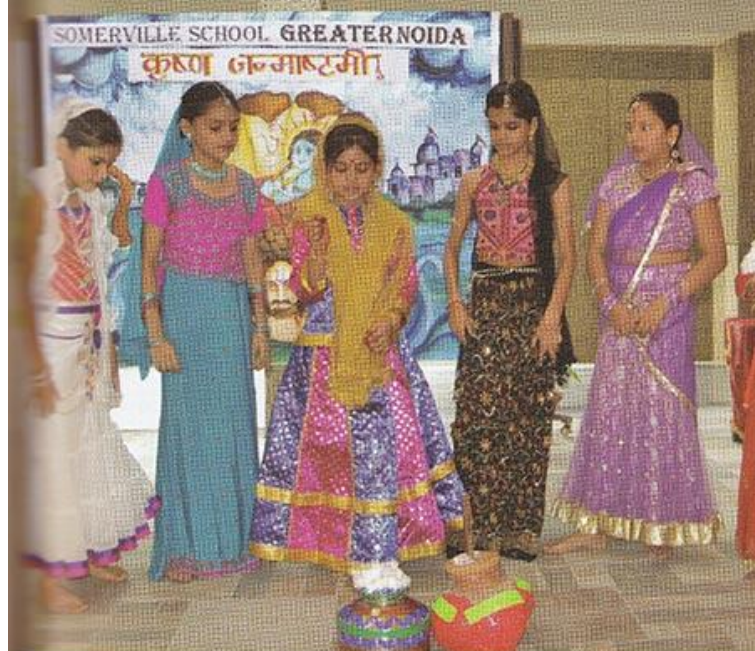


The scoreboard

The beauty of sports is sometimes you laugh and sometimes you cry - Joseph Gaurdiola



Primary School Celebrates Janmashtami



Celebrating the birth of Krishna

SUPW Exhibition



Exemplary exhibits



A step towards perfection



Display of creativity



Parents admire the exposition of ideas



A novelty initiative



Demonstration of inspiration and imagination



Mr. Thomas T. Roy Superintendent & Secretary/Treasurer LCBM in India visits the exhibition

A perfect hobby

Western Music Competition - Harmony

At Immanuel Mar Thoma Church, NOIDA



1st Prize Winners of Harmony Group Song



Group Song - Carol of the Bells



Angela Wilson (XI-A), Singing a Solo



Lakshya Garg (X-A), Sings a Solo



Lakshya Garg (X-A) - Winner of the Male Solo Category



Winners of the Duet Category - Lakshya Garg (X-A) and Angela Wilson (XI-A)



Winners of the Quartet - Karan Mohan (X-A), Kishlay Rana (X-B), Aditya Rathi (X-D), Lakshya Garg (X-A)

The specialists at their best

Christmas Celebrations

CHRIST, THE SAVIOUR IS BORN...



NUR-B SINGS 'The Virgin Mary Had a Baby Boy'



NUR AND KG perform 'The Angel Dance'



NUR AND KG 'The Nativity Scene'



THE WESTERN MUSIC CHOIR



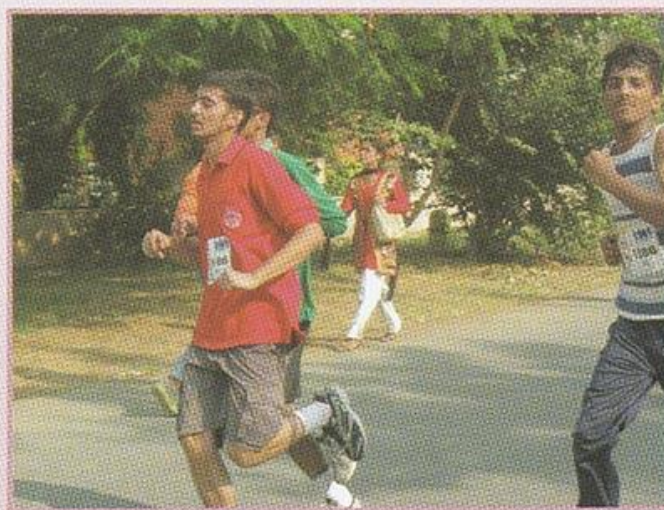
Glory...Glory...Glory...We are the sheep of His pastures

Christmas Celebrations



All praise and glory to our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ

Greater NOIDA Marathon



Students of Classes IX-XII participate
in the Greater NOIDA Marathon

सफाई अभियान में सात विद्यार्थी चयनित

नोएडा | हमारे संवाददाता

सीबीएसई की तरफ से स्वच्छ भारत स्वच्छ विद्यालय अभियान के तहत चलाई जा रही अभियानित शृंखला में गौतमबुद्ध नगर जिले के सात छात्र-छात्राओं का चयन हुआ है। इसमें छात्र साफ-साफाई पर रचनात्मक विचार दे रहे हैं। बेहतरीन आईडिया देने वाले विद्यार्थी को 25 हजार रुपये और सर्वश्रेष्ठ स्कूल को एक लाख रुपये का इनाम दिया जाएगा।

साफ सफाई पर बच्चों को जागरूक करने के लिए यह शृंखला चलाई जा रही है। प्रतियोगिता में हिस्सा लेने के लिए विद्यार्थी प्रतिदिन अपना लेख भेजते हैं। इसके बाद बोर्ड की ओर से प्रतिदिन परिणाम घोषित किया जाता है। बोर्ड की तरफ से दो अक्टूबर को शृंखला शुरू की गई थी, जो 15 अक्टूबर तक चलेगी।

इन्हें मिला सम्मान

छात्र	स्कूल	वर्ग कक्षा
अरुण शर्मा	एमटी इंटरनेशनल स्कूल, नोएडा	नौवीं से बारहवीं
आनंदी चौधरी	स्मर विले स्कूल, ग्रेटर नोएडा	पहली से पांचवीं
श्रेया सिंह	शाफिट इंटरनेशनल स्कूल, नोएडा	छठी से आठवीं
निमिश जैन	कैम्ब्रिज स्कूल, नोएडा	नौवीं से बारहवीं
सान्वा कसांडियारा	स्मर विले स्कूल, ग्रेटर नोएडा	नौवीं से बारहवीं
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प्रतियोगिता में हिस्सा लेने के लिए विद्यार्थी निबंध, लेख, नाटक, कविताएं, वीडियो, पटकथा एकांकी नाटक, फिल्म या पोस्टर बनाकर बोर्ड को भेज रहे हैं। अब तक नौ दिनों का रिजल्ट घोषित किया जा चुका है। बोर्ड की तरफ से नौ दिनों के चयनित विजेताओं की सूची में जनपद के सात छात्र-छात्राओं ने जगह बनाई है।

प्रतियोगिता में हिस्सा लेने का अब भी है मौका : सीबीएसई से मान्यता प्राप्त विद्यालय के पहली से 12वीं तक के छात्र 15 अक्टूबर तक हिस्सा ले सकते हैं। विद्यार्थी अपनी प्रविष्टि सुबह बोर्ड को ऑनलाइन या ऑफलाइन भेज सकते हैं। प्रविष्टि 22 भाषाओं में अकेले, समूह एवं युग्म में भेजी जा सकती है।



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Class 5, Somerville
School, Greater Noida



Somerville School, Greater Noida: Science Rohan Gupta 96.8%, commerce Jasleen Kaur 96.6%, humanities Nancy Bhati 94.6%

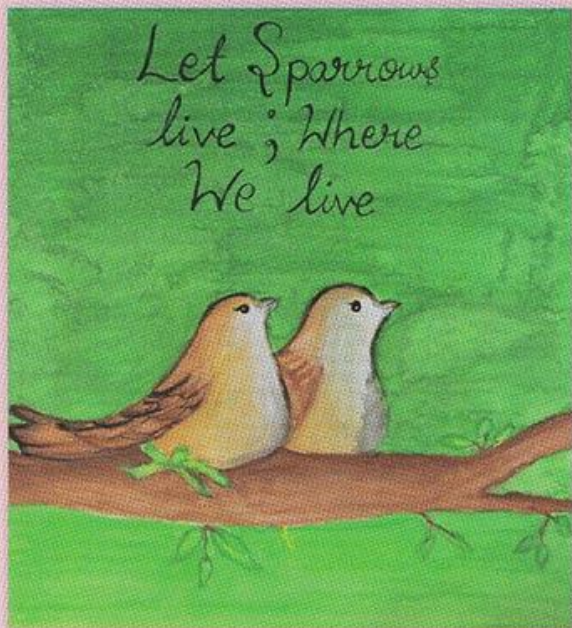


And the winners are...

- A. Manya Kumar - Mayoor School, Noida
- B. Shreya Singhal - Somerville School, Greater Noida
- C. Shreya Mittal - Cambridge School, Greater Noida
- D. Tanya Srivastava - Somerville School, Greater Noida
- E. Anchal Yadav - Jagran Public School
- F. Samiksha Purohit - Khaitan Public School
- G. Srishti Chaturvedi - Bal Bharati Public School
- H. Shubham Gupta - Aster Public School

Trying is the touchstone to accomplishment - Paul Von Ringelheim

CBSE Sparrow Painting Competition



Aditya Malik (VI-B) - 1st Prize



Madhumita Mondal (VII-A) - 2nd Prize



Bhavika Choudhary (VI-D) - 3rd Prize

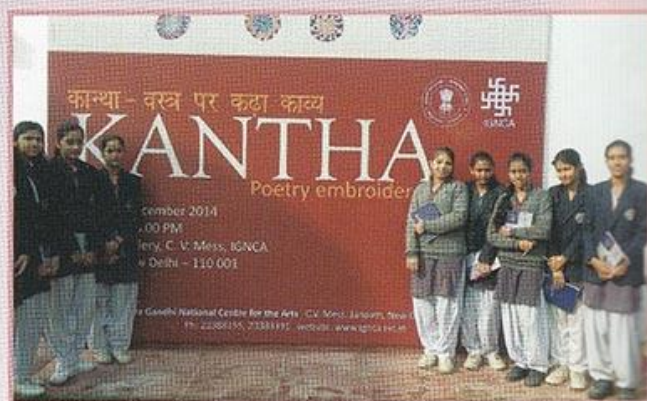


Yashika Kaushik (VII-A) - Consolation Prize

Love Nature - Love Life

Tours - Indira Gandhi National Centre for Arts

STUDENTS FROM CLASSES IX AND X



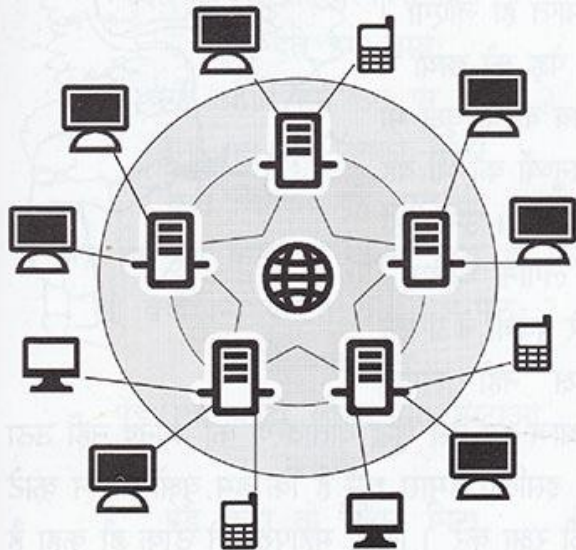
Tours - Lalit Kala Academy

STUDENTS OF CLASSES III, XI AND XII



A Novelty Initiative

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आज कल लोग कंप्यूटर के बिना नहीं रह सकते । कंप्यूटर में इंटरनेट की भी सुविधा होती है । जिसके द्वारा हम एक दूसरे से दूर बैठकर भी बात कर सकते हैं । इंटरनेट से हम तरह-तरह के चित्र भी निकाल सकते हैं । आज कल ज्यादातर बच्चे बाहर जाकर खेलने की बजाय इंटरनेट पर ही खेलते रहते हैं । हम इससे बाहर की दुनिया के बारे में भी जानकारी रख सकते हैं । इंटरनेट से लोग गलत चीज़ें भी बनाते हैं । जिससे उनका लाभ हो ।

आज कल कुछ विद्यालयों में अध्यापक अपने शिष्यों को गृहकार्य इंटरनेट के ही द्वारा देते हैं । इंटरनेट पर कुछ वेबसाइट्स में कपड़े, जूते, चश्मे आदि की खरीददारी भी की जाती है । लोग आज कल बाहर जाने की बजाय इंटरनेट पर ही अपने बच्चों की पढ़ाई के लिए स्कूल देख लेते हैं । आज कल लोगों के लिए इंटरनेट बहुत ही ज़रूरी हो गया है ।

---हनी, सातवीं-ए

प्रतियोगिता

मेरा एक विचित्र स्वप्न
देखा कल रात सोते वक्त
सारे जहान में
अंधेरा था तब

जब रो रहे थे
सारे कुत्ते और भूत-प्रेत
मैंने देखा एक स्वप्न
मेरा एक विचित्र स्वप्न ।

एक काली रात को
हो रही थी लड़ाई
कुत्ते ने कर दी
बिल्ली की बुराई ।

बोल दिया कुत्ते ने
बिल्ली को कि



हो तुम कितनी पगलाई
फालतू बात करने
किस लिए मेरे पास तू आई ।

बिल्ली ने कहा कुत्ते से
ओ मेरे पागल भाई
फालतू बात नहीं
तेरे भूसे से दिमाग में
कुछ अक्ल डालने हूँ आई
ओ मेरे मूर्ख भाई ।

फिर कुछ कुत्ते ने कहा
फिर बिल्ली भड़क कर चिल्लाई
कुत्ते को आ गया गुस्सा
ले ली बिल्ली की जान
बेचारी ने बहुत बदनसीबी पाई ।

---रिद्धिमा, आठवीं(अ)

वृक्ष कटा, जीवन मिटा

इस धरती पर वृक्षों से ही जीवन है। सभी प्राणियों का जीवन वृक्षों पर निर्भर है।

अगर हम धरती से सारे वृक्ष काट लेंगे, तो सारा जनजीवन ही समाप्त हो जाएगा। वृक्ष हमें शुद्ध वायु देते हैं। लंबी यात्रा के दौरान जब कोई यात्री पेड़ की छाया में आराम करता है। तो उसे शीतलता का अहसास होता है। यह सब करके वृक्ष भी सोचते होंगे कि मनुष्यों की सेवा करना उनका धर्म है। इसलिए मनुष्यों को भी यह सोचना चाहिए कि जिनकी वजह से वह आज खुलकर साँस ले रहे हैं। उन्हें नहीं काटना चाहिए। हर व्यक्ति को अपने जीवन में एक पौधा ज़रूर लगाना चाहिए।

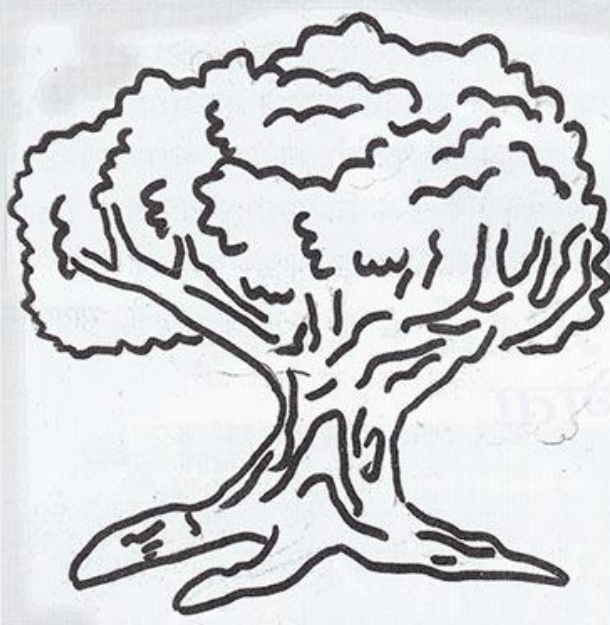


अगर हमारे पूर्वजों ने प्रयत्न

करके वृक्ष नहीं लगाए

होते, तो आज हम ऐसे शुद्ध वातावरण का आनंद नहीं उठा रहे होते। इसलिए हमारा धर्म है कि हम वृक्षों को न काटे और उनकी रक्षा करें। किसी महापुरुष ने ठीक ही कहा है - वृक्ष कटा तो जीवन मिटा।

---अनन्या पाल, सातवीं-ए



हम सब जानते हैं कि वृक्ष हमारे जीवन में कितने महत्वपूर्ण होते हैं। उनके बिना हम जीवन की कल्पना भी नहीं कर सकते वृक्ष कटा जीवन मिटा का अर्थ है यदि वृक्ष कट जाएंगे तो हमारा जीवन भी नष्ट हो जाएगा। अगर हमने

वृक्षों की रक्षा नहीं की तो हम सब भी मर जाएंगे। पेड़ों से हमें बहुत सी चीज़ें मिलती है जैसे खाने के लिए भोजन, साँस लेने के लिए हवा, पहनने के लिए कपड़े, आदि। पेड़ हमारे सबसे अच्छे मित्र हैं। पेड़ों की सहायता से घर सुंदर और चमकदार बनते हैं। फूलों की खुशबू सबके मन को भाती है। पेड़ - पौधों के बीच बैठकर अहसास होता है कि प्रकृति कितनी सुंदर है। पेड़-पौधों से इस धरती को एक नई उमंग, नई उम्मीद तथा स्फूर्ति का एहसास होता है। कठिनाइयों का सामना कैसे करते हैं यह हमें पेड़ों से सीखना चाहिए। हमें पृथ्वी को और सुंदर बनाने के लिए ज़्यादा से ज़्यादा पेड़ उगाने चाहिए और इन्हें काटने से बचाना चाहिए।

---तिषा गोयल, सातवीं-ए





वृक्ष कटा, जीवन मिटा

वृक्ष कटा तो जीवन मिटा,
 इस दुनिया से हरियाली हटी ।
 वृक्ष देते हमें वस्त्र,
 तो क्यों उठाते हम उन पर शस्त्र ?
 देना मत तुम उनको माफ़ी,
 करी जिन्होंने यह गुस्ताखी,
 पता था वृक्ष कटा तो जीवन मिटा ही मिटा
 तो क्यों हम काटते उन्हें पल-पल ?
 मेरी बात मानें
 पेड़ मत काटो जीवन मत मिटाओ
 क्योंकि
 पेड़ कटा तो जीवन मिटा,
 इस दुनिया से हरियाली हटी ।
 ---अनन्या सिंह, सातवीं-बी



वृक्ष कटा जीवन मिटा,
 और यह दुनिया मिट जाएगी ।
 वृक्ष रहेंगे तो हम रहेंगे,
 और वृक्ष नहीं तो हम भी नहीं ।
 वृक्ष रहेंगे हम रहेंगे,
 और सब खुश रहेंगे ।
 वृक्ष न होता, कुछ न होता,
 और कोई जिंदा न होता ।
 आखिर में कह रही हूँ बात,
 सुन लो इसे ध्यान से आज ।
 वृक्ष को काटोगे, तो खुद कटोगे,
 वृक्ष को बचाओगे, तो खुद बचोगे ।
 वृक्ष ही तो जीवन है,
 वृक्ष ही तो संसार हैं ।
 वृक्ष नहीं तो कुछ नहीं,
 बाकी किसी चीज़ का गम नहीं ।
 ---रिया सिन्हा, सातवीं-बी

वृक्ष कटा तो जीवन मिटा का अर्थ है अगर वृक्ष कटेगा तो हम नहीं रह पाएंगे । वृक्ष से जीवन चलता है । सबसे ज़रूरी वृक्ष हमें ऑक्सीजन देते हैं और जीने के लिए वह सबसे ज़रूरी है । वृक्ष हमें रबर, लकड़ी, फल, सब्ज़ी आदि देते हैं । पहले नरम पत्तियों की महक हमें बहुत अच्छी लगती है । आज इन्हीं पेड़ों को काटकर लोग जंगल खत्म कर रहे हैं और उनकी जगह लोग बड़ी-बड़ी इमारतें बनाते हैं । अगर पेड़ नहीं रहेंगे तो कार्बन डाइऑक्साइड नामक

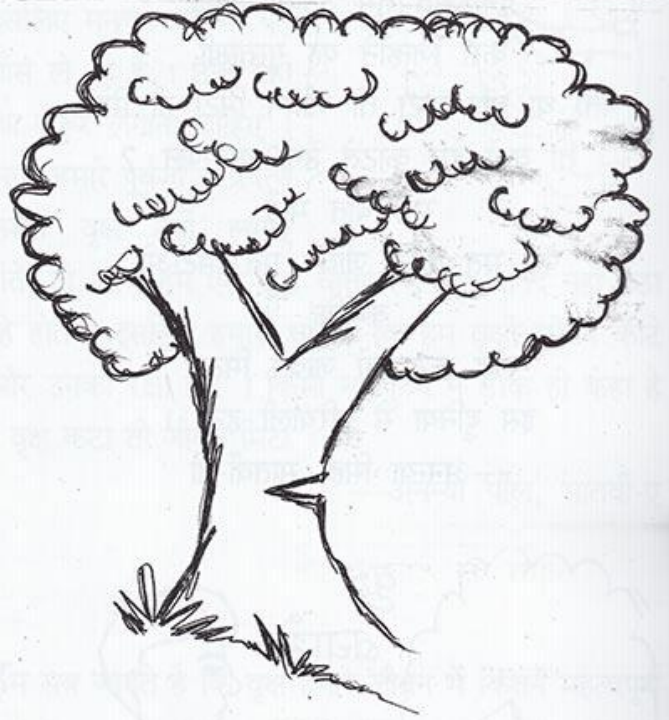
ज़हरीली गैस पेड़ के अंदर ना जाकर हमारे अंदर आएगी और हम बीमार हो सकते हैं । पेड़ बचाओ । किसी ने ठीक ही कहा है - वृक्ष कटा जीवन मिटा ।

---शिंजिनि सिंह, सातवीं-सी

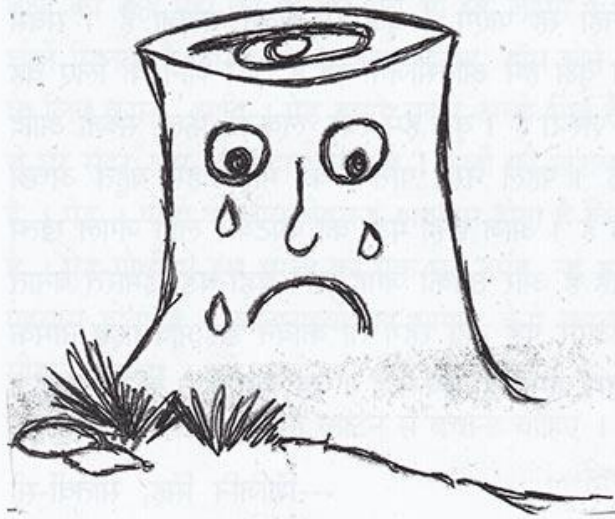
वृक्ष कटा, जीवन मिटा

वृक्ष हमारा जीवन है । अगर वृक्ष नहीं होते तो हम जीवित नहीं रह पाएँगे क्योंकि वृक्षों से ही हमारे जीवन की हर वस्तु की पूर्ति होती है । वृक्षों की हमें सेवा व सुरक्षा करनी चाहिए । वृक्षों को काटकर हम अपने ही जीवन को प्रकाश से अंधेरे की ओर ले जाते हैं । वृक्ष कट जाएँगे तो हमारे जीवन का मूल्य ही नष्ट हो जाएगा । वृक्ष कटेंगे तो धीरे - धीरे जंगल ही खत्म हो जाएँगे । जिससे पूरा का पूरा वातावरण ही दूषित हो जाएगा वृक्ष तो हमारे जीवनदायिनी हैं । आँधी-तूफान में भी आगे खड़े रहकर हमें अपने जीवन में मुसीबतों का सामना करने की प्रेरणा देते हैं । अगर वृक्षों को काट दिया जाएगा तो सम्पूर्ण मानवता का विनाश हो जाएगा । एक छोटा-सा पौधा भी धीरे - धीरे कितना विशाल हो जाता है । अपनी शाखाओं से छाया प्रदान करता है । इस प्रकार देखा जाए तो वृक्ष हमें उन्नति और दूसरों की रक्षा करने का संदेश देते हैं । इसलिए हमें वृक्षों की सेवा कर उन्हें सुरक्षित रखना चाहिए न कि उन्हें काटकर उनके प्राण ले लेने चाहिए ।

---सेजल अग्रवाल, सातवीं-सी



मुझे पेड़ों से बहुत लगाव है । मैंने बहुत सारे, करीब दस छोटे-छोटे बीज बो दिए थे । अब उनमें से नन्हें - नन्हें से पौधे अपना जीवन शुरू कर रहे हैं । मैंने अपने जन्मदिन पर पापा से गुलाब का पौधा माँगा था । पापा ने मुझे पौधा

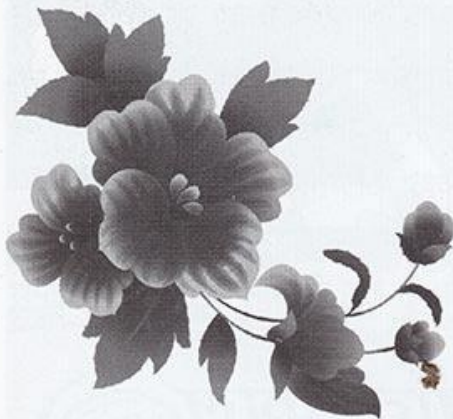


लाकर आश्चर्य चकित कर दिया था फिर मुझे अपने जन्मदिन की रात में एक सपना आया कि लोग अपने घर बनाने के लिए वृक्षों को काट रहे हैं । मुझे ख्याल आया कि अब अगर हमें कोई मार डाले तो क्या होगा ? इसी तरह वृक्ष हमें दवाइयाँ, छाया, फल, सब्जियाँ और भोजन भी देते हैं । वे हमें ऑक्सीजन देते हैं और हम उन्हें कार्बन-डाईऑक्साइड देते हैं । हम एक-दूसरे पर निर्भर हैं । फिर मेरी अचानक आँख खुली और मैंने उस गुलाब के फूल को खिलते हुए देखा और मैं खुश होकर फिर सो गई ।

---नंदनी शर्मा, सातवीं-सी



यदि मैं फूल होती



बगीचे में खिले हुए रंग-बिरंगे फूलों को देखकर मन में एक विचार उत्पन्न होता है कि काश, मैं भी एक पुष्प होती। जिस प्रकार फूल सबके मन को अपनी सुगंध एवं सुंदरता से मोहित कर देते हैं, मैं भी सभी के मनों को आनंदित करूँ। अगर मैं भी एक पुष्प होती तो सभी के मनों को अपनी सुगंध एवं सुंदरता से मोहित कर देती मैं भी एक पुष्प की भांति बिना किसी भेद-भाव के सभी की शोभा को बढ़ाती, जैसे पुष्प की भांति बिना किसी भेद-भाव के सभी की शोभा को बढ़ाती, जैसे पुष्प वीरों की समाधि एवं शव में भेद नहीं करता। वह दोनों को समान सम्मान देता है। एक पुष्प सुखकर, मुरझाकर अपने गुणों को नहीं त्यागता, मैं भी पुष्प रूप में उन्हीं गुणों को अपनाती। पुष्प का यही गुण मुझे फूल बनने के लिए प्रेरित करता है। फूल को देखकर मुझे अनायास ही माखनलाल चतुर्वेदी की यह पंक्तियाँ याद आ जाती हैं।

चाह नहीं सुरबाला के गहनों में गूथा जाऊँ
चाह नहीं प्रेमीबाला में बिंध प्यारी को ललचाऊँ।
मुझे तोड़ लेना वन माली, उस पथ पर तुम देना फेंक,
मातृभूमि पर शीश चढ़ाने, जिस पथ जाएँ वीर अनेक ॥

---तनु सिंह, आठवीं-डी

यदि मैं फूल होती

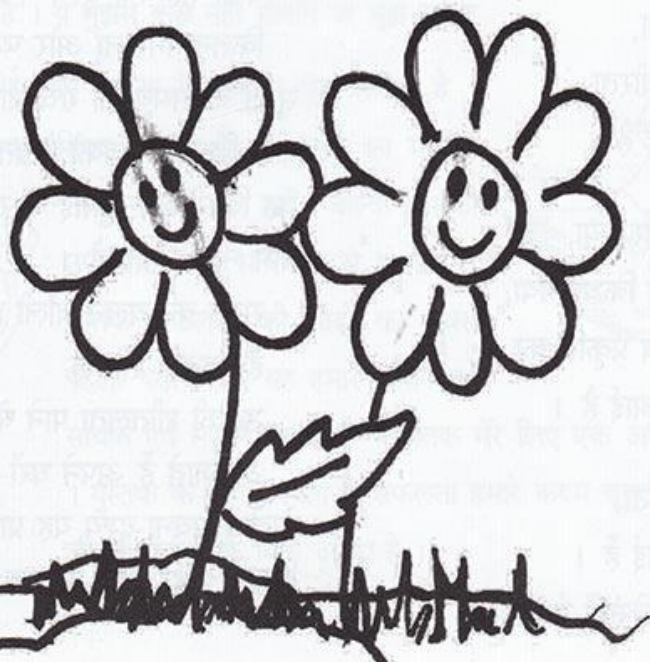
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झूम इधर-उधर

हवा के संग।

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खिल उठती मेरी पत्ती
खुशबू से भरी मैं
खुशबू फैलाती हवा में।

यह देखो मेरी सुंदर पत्ती
कितनी सुंदर रंग-बिरंगी



अपनी खुशबू से मैं सबका

मन खुश कर देती जग में।

यदि मैं फूल होती
लहलहाती बल खाती
झूमूँ इधर - उधर
हवा के संग।

---पूर्णमा, आठवीं-ए





एक परी

चाँद तैरता आसमान में, घटा में लाली छाई है,
बादलों का नाच देखने, एक परी फिर आई है ।

डुबकियाँ ले-ले के बादलों में, चाँद भी है खेलता,
देख उसको वो परी, हल्के से मुसकाई है ।

बादलों के पानी से, मोती चुराकर तारों ने,
उस परी की देह पर, रोशनी अपनी बिखराई है ।

चमन में बज रहीं हैं फूलों की पायल,
गगन के स्वर भी पवन को कर रहे पागल,
जो उसने जुल्फ अपनी धीरे से लहराई है ।

पागल पवन भी छू - छू के उसको, मस्त होकर बह रही,
महसूस करके वो परी, नयनों से अपने शरमाई है ।

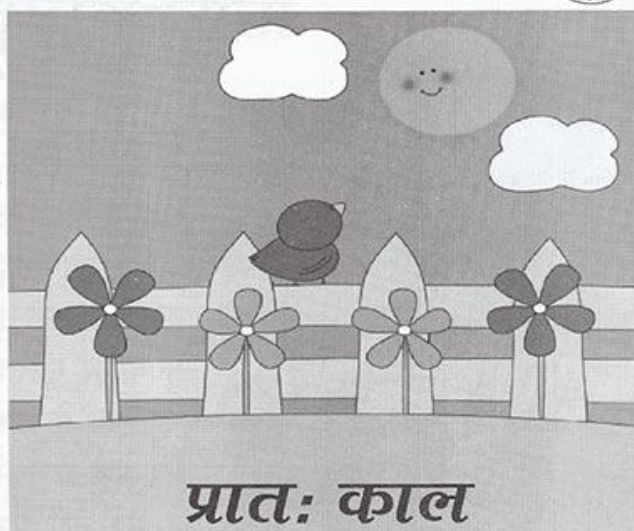
दूर काले, बादलों का झुंड भी है,
देख उसको वो परी घबराई है ।

एक तारा बड़े ध्यान से है घूरता,
किरणों से अपनी बादलों को चीरता,
उस परी पर नज़र अपनी गड़ाई है ।

है टूटकर विश्वास उसका बिखर गया,
वो पहले वाला विश्वास उसका किधर गया,
हो गया जहाँ मैं है अब बदलाव प्रकृति का,
ये बात अब उसकी समझ में आई है ।

आसमाँ से फिर है एक तारा टूटा,
अब ना जाने किसकी बारी आई है ।

---शालिनी, नवी-ए



देखो सुहावना दृश्य ये प्रातः काल का
कितना निराला और प्यारा दृश्य है प्रातः काल का
सुबह जो चिड़ियाँ चहचहाती हैं
सबके मन को भाती है
उनकी मधुर स्वर को सुनकर
थकान दूर हो जाती है ।

सुबह के समय कसरत करने का
अपना ही आनंद होता है
कसरत से शरीर कभी बीमारियों का
घर नहीं बनता है ।

देखो सुहावना दृश्य ये प्रातः काल का
कितना निराला और प्यारा दृश्य है प्रातः काल का ।
सुबह के समय जो रवि बादल के
पीछे छिपकर सबको देखता है,
वह किसी छुपनछुपाई के खेल से
कम नहीं लगता है ।

सुबह की चलने वाली हवा होती
है कितनी शीतल
उसकी शीतलता पाने के लिए लोग
आ जाते हैं अपने घरों से बाहर निकल
देखो सुहावना दृश्य यह प्रातः काल का
कितना सुंदर और निराला दृश्य है प्रातः काल का ।

---प्रमांशी सिंह, नवी-ए

पुस्तकें हमारी मित्र

हमारे जीवन का एक महत्वपूर्ण लक्ष्य होता है। उस लक्ष्य को पूरा करने के लिए हम अपने पूरे मन के साथ वो पाने के लिए परिश्रम करते हैं और उसके लिए पढ़ना तो बहुत ही जरूरी है!!! यानी हमें आधे से ज़्यादा ज्ञान तो पुस्तकों से मिलता है।

पुस्तकें हमारे लिए बहुत लाभदायक होती हैं। उसको पढ़ने से ही तो हमें ज्ञान प्राप्त होता है। पर मेरे कुछ मित्र तो यह समझते ही नहीं। वो तो सिर्फ पुस्तकों और उनको पढ़ने को बोझ समझते हैं। पर मैं और मेरे जैसे ही परिश्रमी विद्यार्थी उनको अपना मित्र मानते हैं।

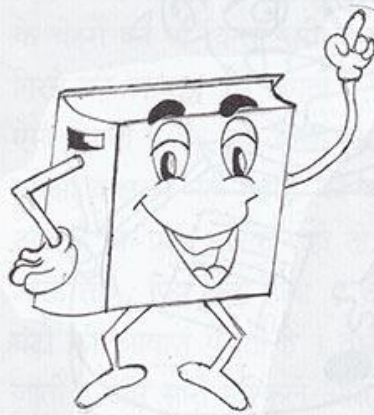


पुस्तकें कितनी सरल, कितनी सुंदर भाषा में हम तक किसी भी चीज़ के बारे में बतलाती हैं। तो कुछ लोग उनका अनादर करते हैं। वे हमारी मित्र की तरह होती हैं, क्योंकि वे हमें सब सच-सच, अच्छा-बुरा और क्या हमारे लिए हानिकारक है सब बड़े ही मजेदार तरीकों और रंगीन-रंगीन तस्वीरों के साथ समझाती हैं। सबसे बड़ी बात, वे हमारे सभी मुश्किल से मुश्किल सवालों के ज़वाब भी रखती हैं। हमें भी उन्हें अपने मित्र की तरह रखना चाहिए। उनमें सभी एक अच्छे मित्र के गुण होते हैं।

मैं तो पुस्तकों को अपना मित्र ही मानती हूँ। इसलिए तो मुझे पढ़ते समय उनमें लिखी गई हर बातें समझ में आती हैं। इसलिए हमें पुस्तकों को अच्छी तरह समझना चाहिए और हमारे लक्ष्य को पूरा कर के दिखाना चाहिए।

---अकांक्षा ठाकुर, आठवीं-सी

पुस्तकें मेरी सबसे अच्छी दोस्त हैं। ये मुझसे कुछ नहीं माँगती पर मुझे हमेशा ज्ञान प्रदान करती हैं इन्हें न कोई छीन सकता है और न चुरा सकता है। पुस्तकें मेरे जीवन में बहुत अहम भूमिका निभाती हैं। पुस्तक का महत्व



उसके मूल्य से नहीं, बल्कि उसकी उपयोगिता तथा सार्थकता से होता है। पुस्तकें सफलता की सीढ़ी का सबसे पहला चढ़ाव है। यह हमारे जीवन को सार्थक एवं सफल बनाती हैं। पुस्तक मेरे लिए एक अमूल्य निधि है। पुस्तक के सही उपयोग से सफलता हमारे कदम चूमती है। हमारा जीवन पुस्तकों के बिना अधूरा है।



---प्रियांशी बेनर्जी, आठवीं-डी

पुस्तकें हमारी मित्र

पुस्तकें हमारी मित्र हैं। उनका हमारे जीवन में बहुत महत्त्व है। पुस्तकें हमारी सच्ची मित्र की तरह होती हैं। जैसे एक सच्चा मित्र हमें कभी निराश नहीं करता वैसे ही हमारी पुस्तकें भी कभी हमें निराश नहीं करती। जैसे हमारे मित्र हमेशा हमारी सहायता करते हैं वैसे ही पुस्तकें हमेशा हमारी सहायता करती हैं। जितनी किताबें हम पढ़ते हैं, उतनी ही सफलता हमें प्राप्त होती है।



जैसे एक सच्चे मित्र की पहचान उसके हमेशा साथ देने से, हमारी सहायता करने से और सच का साथ देने से होती है, वैसे ही पुस्तकें भी हमेशा सच का साथ देती हैं और हमारी सहायता करती हैं।

पुस्तकों से मिला ज्ञान जितना बाँटोगे उतना बढ़ेगा। इसलिए हमें हमेशा ज्ञान भी बाँटना चाहिए।

---श्रेया, आठवीं-डी



परीक्षा भवन में प्रश्न-पत्र बँटने से पाँच मिनट पहले का एहसास

परीक्षा भवन लगभग हर विद्यार्थी का सबसे बुरा सपना होता है। जैसे ही परीक्षा भवन में आते हैं अपने दोस्तों के चेहरे के भाव देखकर डर और बढ़ जाता है। ऐसा लगता है हमारे ही बुरे अंक आएँगे। ऐसे ख्याल आते हैं जो शायद कभी भी न आए हों। और फिर आती है बारी प्रश्न-पत्र बँटने की। दिल की धड़कन बढ़ जाती है। परीक्षा पत्र बँटने से पाँच मिनट पहले बस एक बार हम अपने दोस्तों को देखकर एक फीकी हँसी हँस देते हैं।

प्रश्न-पत्र को देखकर लगता है हमने जितना पढ़ा है सब भूल चुके हैं। पर जब प्रश्न पत्र हमें मिल जाता है तब प्रश्नों को पढ़कर थोड़ा सकून मिलता है।

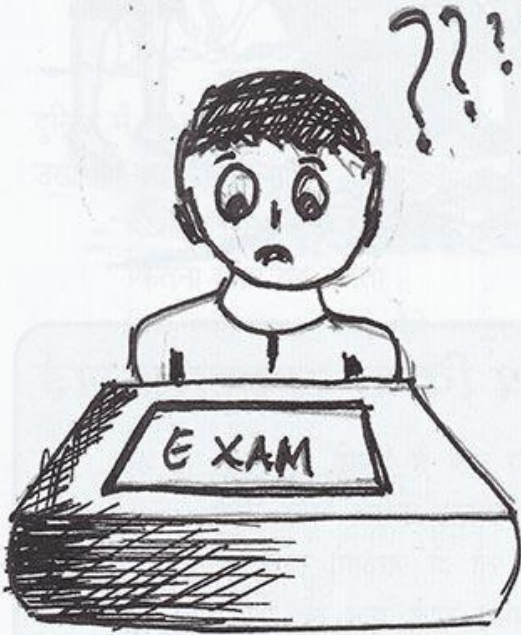


---मलिका, नवी-बी



परीक्षा भवन में प्रश्न-पत्र बँटने से पाँच मिनट पहले का एहसास

परीक्षा भवन में प्रश्न-पत्र बँटने से पहले जिस अवस्था या जिस मानसिक स्थिति में दबे हम बैठे रहते हैं, उसका स्पष्ट विवरण देना मुश्किल है। हमारा मन एवं शरीर अपना काबू खो बैठते हैं। मेज़ के साथ हमारे पैर निरन्तर गति में ठक-ठक करते रहते हैं। हमारे हाथ बीच-बीच में काँपने लगते हैं और पसीने का तो क्या कहना? ऐसा लगता है कि मैं धूप में मीलों चलकर परीक्षा देने

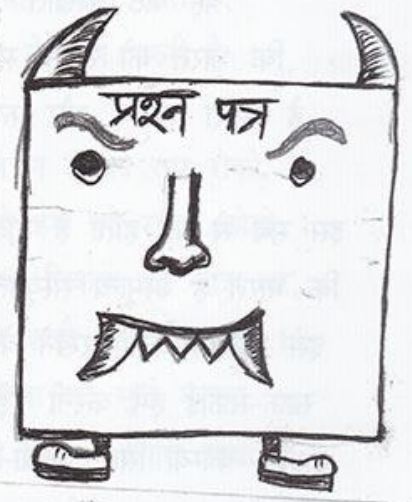


आई हूँ। मन को शांत करने के लिए कभी-कभी अपने चारों ओर एक बार देख लेती हूँ। कुछ बच्चे बिलकुल शांत होकर बैठे रहते हैं। मन में शंका होती है कि क्या इन लोगों को परीक्षा का भय नहीं? दूर टेबल पर बैठे प्रश्न-पत्र सहित परीक्षक की बाज़ सी निगाहें दिल की धड़कनों को और तेज़ कर देती हैं।

लोग कहते हैं कि मन को शांत करने के लिए भगवान को याद करना चाहिए एक बहुत ही कठिन कार्य है। फिर परीक्षा आरंभ होने के लिए घंटी की आवाज़ कान में गूँजती है। परीक्षक एक-एक करके सबको प्रश्न-पत्र बाँटने लगते हैं। देर से ही सही पर अंत में मुझे भी एक प्रश्न-पत्र मिलता है। फिर लंबी साँस भरके मैं अपनी परीक्षा आरंभ करती हूँ।

---सागरिका, नवी-ए

परीक्षा भवन में प्रश्न-पत्र बँटने से पाँच मिनट पहले का एहसास बहुत ही डराने वाला है। चारों तरफ खामोशी होती है। अध्यापक का चेहरा भी ज़ल्लाद की तरह लगता है जैसे हमें थोड़ी देर बाद फाँसी पर चढ़ा देंगे। बच्चों के चेहरों की वो चिन्ता भरी लकीरें मन को विचलित कर देती हैं। एक पेन गिरने की आवाज़ ऐसे लगती है जैसे पहाड़ गिर पड़ा हो। उन पाँच मिनट में ऐसा लगता है कि सब कुछ पढ़ा हुआ भूल गए हो। ऐसा लगता है कि हम परीक्षा कक्ष में नहीं पहाड़ की चोटी पर बैठे हो। मन में अजीब से ख्याल आते हैं कि प्रश्न मुश्किल हो तो.... अगर समय ना बचे तो.... अगर मैं भूल जाऊँ तो... फिर क्या होगा? तभी उस खामोशी में एक दिल दहलाने वाली घंटी की आवाज़ गूँजती है। तभी प्रश्न पत्र मिलता है तो सारी दुविधा दूर हो जाती है और सारी मुश्किलें आसान हो जाती हैं।



---अरिशा उसमानी, नवी-बी



स्वच्छ अभियान

गाँधी जयंती के अवसर पर
प्रधानमंत्री मोदी ने किया ऐलान,
२०१९ तक भारत को बनाना है
स्वच्छ, साफ़ और सुंदर ।

इस प्रतिज्ञा को लेकर मन में
उठाया उन्होंने एक उत्तम शस्त्र
जो है झाड़ू
फिर झाड़ू को लेकर हाथ में
शुरू किया सफ़ाई अभियान ।

यह सफ़ाई का असर लोगों
पर इस कदर हुआ सवार
कि अब तो हर दिन
कोई न कोई नेता
मिलते हैं गली-मोहल्ले में
झाड़ू मारते हुए और
यह पाठ सिखाते
कि भारत को रखना साफ़
है हमारा कर्तव्य और फर्ज ।

इस सब से यह होता है मालूम मुझे
कि भारत है अमूल्य संस्कृति हमारी
इसे शालीन बनाए रखने के लिए
साफ़-सफ़ाई हमें करनी पड़ेगी ।

---काम्या सिंह, दसवीं-सी



आलस्य किया सफलता गई

आलस्य नहीं है किसी भी दुख का हल
प्रयत्न करोगे अगर मित्रो,
तो हो जाओगे सफल ।
समय रहते मान लो मेरी बात
इस दुख का मुझे भी है एहसास ।
इस दुख का है बस एक ही इलाज
आज का काम करो केवल आज ।

कल नहीं कभी नहीं आता
मेरा अनुभव मुझे बतलाता
सफलता चूमेगी तुम्हारी कदम, अगर
आलस्य छोड़ोगे और करोगे प्रयत्न ।

समय रहते हमें इस बात को समझना चाहिए और आलस्य
को छोड़ कर अपनी सफलता के बारे में सोचना और उसे
पाने का प्रयत्न करना चाहिए । इससे हमारा भविष्य
उज्ज्वल होगा ।

---शुभम कुमार चौहान, नवी-ब

किसान



दुनिया में जो है सबसे महान,
उसी को कहते हैं किसान ।

देखो दिन भर खेतों में लगकर,
कितना काम यह करता
फिर उसी काम से थोड़े पैसे कमाकर,
परिवार का पेट भरता ।

जिसके कारण है हम जिंदा,
कोई नहीं कर सकता उसकी निंदा ।

यह हमको देता है अनाज़ जिससे
भरता है हमारा पेट

इस इंसान को है हमारा सलाम
जो है हमारा प्यारा किसान ।

दिन भर खेतों में चलाता रहता है हल,
जिससे निकल जाता है बेचारे
किसान का सारा बल ।

पता नहीं कैसे इतना काम
यह करता ?

क्या दिन भर काम करके इसका
शरीर नहीं थकता ?

और फिर भी आराम करने का
इसका तनिक मन नहीं करता ।

इसलिए तो कहते हैं कि -

दुनिया में है जो सबसे महान
उसी को कहते हैं किसान ।

---प्रमांशी, नवी-ए

नेता जी की यात्रा

नेताजी निकले यात्रा पर,
लेकर छड़ी टोपी सिर पर ।
बड़े जोश में पाँव धरे,
पूछने पर बोले अस्पताल चले ।

जोड़ों में बड़ा है दर्द,
तुम क्या जानो तुम नहीं हो मर्द ।
बड़ी देर में जाँच कराई,
तब जाकर स्मृति आई ।

इलाज कराना है जरूरी,
इंग्लैण्ड जा कर होगी पूरी ।
पैसों की चिंता मत करना,
जनता पर दिया है धरना ।

जिसका हमने फायदा उठाया,
हवाई जहाज का टिकट बनवाया ।
यह हमारी नीति है,
जो नेता में जरूरी है ।

अब न हमको तुम रोको,
जाना है हम को रास्ता छोड़ो ।
नेता जी निकल पड़े यात्रा पर,
लेकर छड़ी टोपी सिर पर ।

जनता को मूर्ख बनाया,
कहते यही है हमारी माया ।

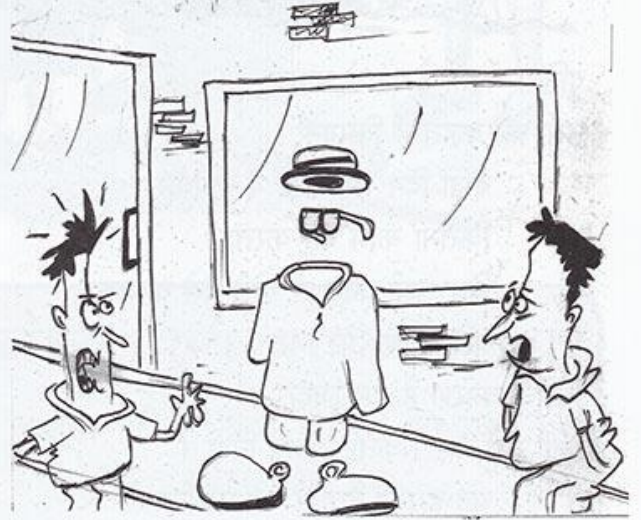
---तान्या श्रीवास्तव, आठवीं-बी

यदि मैं अदृश्य होता तो



यदि मैं अदृश्य होता तो बहुत मज़ा आता । मैं जो भी चाहता वो करता । कोई भी मुझे रोक नहीं पाता । यदि मैं अदृश्य होता तो पूरा विश्व घूमता मैं वो सब कार्य करता जो मेरा मन चाहता । यदि मैं अदृश्य होता तो मैं इस शक्ति का प्रयोग अच्छे काम व अच्छे लोगों के लिए भी करता और अपने-आप के लिए भी । मैं इस शक्ति का प्रयोग निम्नलिखित कार्यों के लिए करता जैसे - मैं पुलिस की चोरों को पकड़ने में सहायता करता । यदि मैं अदृश्य होता तो थोड़ी शरारत भी करता जैसे - चलते हुए लोगों को चौंकाना, कुछ भी सामान उठाकर लोगों को चौंकाना आदि । अदृश्य होने का फ़ायदा उठाकर मैं इस शक्ति को देश की सहायता करने में प्रयोग करता । और इस कार्य को करने में मुझे बहुत मज़ा आता । इसलिए अदृश्य होना लाभदायक भी हो सकता है और हानिकारक भी ।

---क्षितिज गुप्ता, दसवीं-सी



यदि मैं अदृश्य होता तो क्या बात होती ।

ज़िंदगी में और कुछ करने की ज़रूरत क्या ?

इधर-उधर घूमता रहता ! मज़े करता

और रहने के लिए होता आलीशान मकान ।

प्लेन में चढ़ता देखता सात अजूबे बार-बार,
कभी करता "पैराग्लाइडिंग" कभी करता "स्कूबा" डाइविंग
चढ़ता मैं सारे पहाड़, एवरेस्ट से कीलिमंज़ारु आर-पार
और खाता हर देश की "क्विज़ीन",

देखता जीवन शैलियाँ सारी, देखता सभ्यताएँ हज़ार
घूमता रोम, ग्रीस और मालाबार
पीछा करता अपनी हॉबी का
फोटो लेता हर जगह की ।

पर हर चीज़ के होते हैं नुकसान
बाँट न पाता अपनी खुशियाँ
और सुख संसार के साथ
पर मैं यही करता यदि मैं होता अदृश्य एक बार ।

---मयंक, दसवीं-सी



यदि मैं अदृश्य होती तो

यदि मैं अदृश्य होती तो मैं अपना सरकस बनवाकर जादू दिखाकर तरह-तरह के कलाकारियाँ लोगों को दिखाकर पैसे कमा सकती । जब मुझे पहली बार एक घड़ी मिली, मैंने उसे अपने हाथ में बाँधकर, उसमें एक बटन था जो मैंने दबाया और जब मैंने दबाया तो मैं गायब हो गई पर मुझे न पता चला । फिर अगले दिन मैं शीशे के सामने खड़े होकर उस बटन को दबाया तो मैंने देखा कि मैं शीशे में नहीं दिख रही । मैं उसे बार - बार दबा रही थी कभी गायब तो कभी वापस आ जाती थी, मुझे बहुत मज़ा आ रहा था । फिर मैंने सोचा कि क्यों ना मैं अपने दोस्तों को ये सब कर के दिखाऊँ ।



फिर कुछ दिन बाद मेरे दिमाग में आया कि क्यों ना मैं जादू दिखाना शुरू करूँ । फिर मैंने अपने पिता जी से कुछ पैसे लेकर अपना छोटा सा सरकस बनवाया और अपना खेल दिखाना शुरू किया । मेरा खेल कुछ अजीब सा था जिसे लोग देखकर दीवाने हो जाते । मैं अगर बक्से में हूँ तो बटन दबाकर गायब हो जाती हूँ और फिर जब वो बक्सा खोलते तो मैं उन लोगों को नहीं दिखती थी । और फिर वापस आ जाती । मैंने फिर धीरे - धीरे पैसे कमाना शुरू किया । मुझे बहुत अच्छा भी लगता था, लोगों को खुश देखकर ।

---भावना पाल, दसवीं-सी

यदि मैं अदृश्य होता ! यह सोचकर ही मन में तरह-तरह के विचार आने प्रारंभ हो जाते हैं । आज भले ही यह संभव न हो परंतु यदि भविष्य में यह किसी मशीन द्वारा संभव हो जाए, तो सोचिए कि एक अदृश्य व्यक्ति को कितना मज़ा आएगा । यदि मुझे मात्र एक दिन के लिए अदृश्य होने का अवसर मिल जाए तो मैं पूरे दिन जो मन में आए वो कर सकता हूँ । यदि मैं अदृश्य हो जाता तो मज़े से इधर-उधर घूमता, खेलता-कूदता । कल्पना कीजिए कि मैदान में मेरे मित्र क्रिकेट खेल रहे हों, और अचानक से मैं उनकी गेंद हवा में ही रोक दूँ । तो मुझे मज़ा आता, लेकिन मैं यह सब केवल मित्रों के साथ-साथ ही करता क्योंकि अनजान लोगों को डराना कोई अच्छी बात नहीं । मैं अपने मित्रों के हाथ से चीज़ें लेकर हवा में उड़ा सकता था, इससे तो वे अवश्य ही डर जाते । मस्ती मज़ाक करने के अतिरिक्त मैं लोगों की सहायता भी करता । यदि कोई चोरी करके भाग रहा होता, तो मैं उसे भी आसानी से पकड़ लेता । मैं सभी अच्छे लोगों की सहायता करता । अदृश्य होने के कुछ लाभ हैं तो कुछ हानियाँ भी हैं । अदृश्य होने पर मैं किसी से बात नहीं कर पाता क्योंकि कोई भी मेरी आवाज़ सुन कर भाग जाता । मेरा सड़क पर चलना भी कठिन होता क्योंकि कोई वाहन चालक मुझे देख नहीं पाता इस कारण मुझे हमेशा वाहन से टकराने का डर रहता । अदृश्य होने के लाभ और हानियों को ध्यान में रखते हुए, अदृश्य होना पसंद तो करूँगा परंतु केवल कुछ समय के लिए ।

---अभीत सिंह, दसवीं-ए





यदि मैं अदृश्य होती तो

कभी-कभी दिल चाहता है
कि कुछ ऐसा हो जाए
बस एक दिन के लिए मेरी सूरत
किसी को नज़र न आए ।

किसी दिन मैं अदृश्य हो जाऊँ
फिर ऐसा खेल दिखाऊँगी
उस दिन सबके असली चेहरे
सबके सामने लाऊँगी ।

एक दिन, उस एक दिन में
सबकी शामत आएगी
जब उनके झूठों की चाबी
मेरे हाथ में आएगी ।

माँ का प्यारा गमला तोड़, भैया
छिप गए थे किताब के पीछे
सुनने पड़े सभी कटु शब्द
मुझको अपनी आँखें मींचे ।

सुबह उठकर, भैया आप
जब मुझको संग न पाओगे,
मुझे वापस बुलाने के लिए
सब सच खुद बोलते जाओगे !

मैं न भूली वह दिन काका
जब तेरी दुकान में आई थी
सही चुनी सब सब्ज़ी मैंने
फिर भी घर गंदी आई थी ।

अदृश्य होकर उस दिन मैं
रहूँगी तेरी दुकान के पीछे
भूत-भगवान समझेगा मुझको
फिर न करेगा काम यूँ नीचे ।

उस दिन रैली में तेरी
मैं भी ओ! नेता आई थी ।
जनता ने तेरे वादों में आकर
तेरी सत्ता यहाँ बुलाई थी ।

भूल गए वो वादे नेता
अब तुझको याद दिलाऊँगी !
वह वादें याद दिला-दिलाकर
तुझसे पूरे करवाऊँगी ।

माँ जब तूने बिना सुने कुछ
मुझको डाँट लगाई थी
याद करेगी तू भी मुझको
अब दुलारने पास बुलाएगी ।

अदृश्य होने के यह सब सपने
काश! सिर्फ सपने न रह जाएँ
कभी-कभी दिल चाहता है
काश! यह सपने सच हो जाएँ ।

---अदिती चाँद, दसवीं-बी



यदि मैं नेता होती तो . . .

यदि मैं नेता होती,
तो जात-पात की राजनीति से मेरा नाता न होता ।
देश के विकास के बारे में सोचती,
गरीबों के लिए रोटी, कपड़े और मकान की व्यवस्था करवाती ।

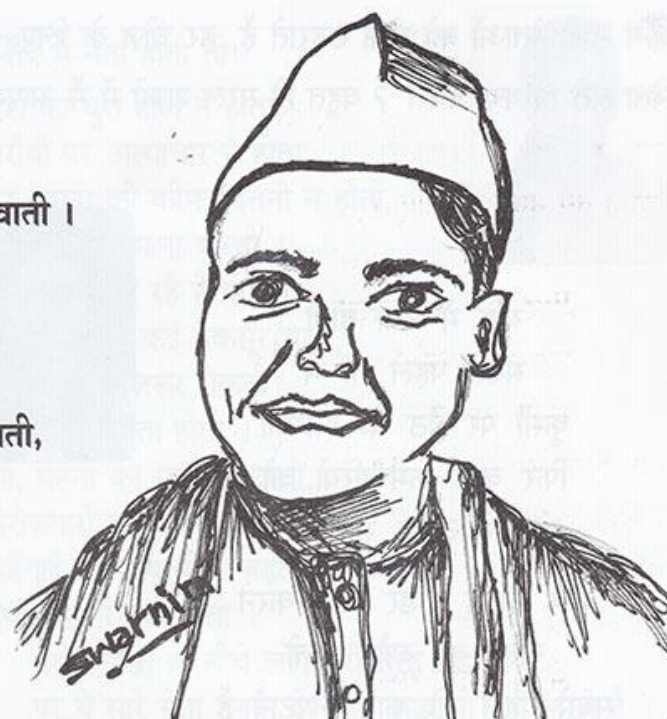
शिक्षा का स्तर ऊँचा उठाती,
सबको रोज़गार मुहैया कराती,
गाँव और तहसील स्तर पर रोज़गार की व्यवस्था करवाती,
शहरों की तरह होने वाले पलायन को रोकती ।

किसानों की समस्या की ओर ध्यान देती,
उनको आत्मनिर्भर बनाती,
फसल का उचित मूल्य दिलवाती,
उनका शोषण होने से बचाती ।

देश की आबादी-नियंत्रण के लिए लोगों को प्रोत्साहित करती,
सबको गुणवत्ता जीवन व्यतीत करने का हक दिलाती,
भारत को प्रदूषण मुक्त बनाती,
वातावरण के प्रति अपनी ज़िम्मेदारी को निभाती ।

युवाओं को हर क्षेत्र में आगे आने के लिए प्रेरित करती,
उनके सहयोग से भारत को शक्तिशाली बनाती ।
भ्रष्टाचार मिटाने के लिए सिस्टम में सुधार लाती,
भारत को भ्रष्टाचार मुक्त बनाती ।

महिलाओं की सुरक्षा का पूरा ध्यान रखती,
उनको भयमुक्त जीने का हक दिलाती,
बाल मज़दूरी को जड़ से खत्म करती,
बालश्रमिकों को बाल जीवन जीने का अवसर प्रदान करती ।



काला धन वापस लाती,
उसे गरीबों में बाँटवाती ।
सख्त कानून बनाकर भ्रष्टाचारियों,
बाहुबलियों और अत्याचारियों
को देश की राजनीति में आने से रोकती ।

भारतीय सेना को मज़बूत बनाती,
देश को आतंकवादी हमलों से बचाती,
भारत को सुपर पावर बनाती,
फिर से सोने की चिड़िया का तमगा वापस लाती ।
---रेदा, दसवीं-डी

यदि मैं नेता होती तो . . .

हम सभी नेताओं को दोषी ठहराते हैं, हर चीज़ के लिए, उन्हें गलियाँ देते रहते हैं, चलिए मान लीजिए अगर आप नेता होते तो क्या करते ? बहुत ही सरल शब्दों में मैं आपको यह बता रही हूँ कि यदि मैं नेता होती तो क्या करती ?

यदि मैं नेता होती
सबसे पहले तो मैं
कुर्सी पर बैठ के इतराती
फिर कुछ कर्मचारियों को
दो-चार आर्डर सुनाती ।

फिर अपने अंडर काम करने
वालों का ब्यौरा लेती
सबसे पहले जो काम निपटाने हैं
उन सब की लिस्ट बना लेती
जो काम कभी से पेंडिंग हैं
उनको पूरा करवा देती

फिर कुछ देर के लिए
सफ़ेद पोशाक छोड़
सादे कपड़ों में रंग जाती
और बिना सरकारी सेवाओं के
जनता के बीच निकल जाती ।

करती लोगों से बातचीत
उनके दुखड़े को सुन लेती
उन सभी की प्रोब्लम्स की
एक रफ़ शीट,
वहीं बना लेती ।

फिर वापस अपने दफ़्तर जा
अपनी पोशाक पहन लेती
उस लिस्ट में लिखी प्रोब्लम्स
एक-एक करके निपटा लेती ।



अपने पार्टी के लोगों की
तोंदें पतली करवा देती
एक-एक हफ़्ते की छुट्टी दे
योगा सबको सिखला देती ।

अपनी पार्टी के खर्चों को
बिलकुल ही कम करवा देती
भाषण रैली पर खर्च न हो
ऐसा कानून बनवा देती ।

शायद यह सब करने से
मुझको मार दिया जाता
पर मैं करोड़ों की प्रेरणा बनती
और मुझको शहीद कहा जाता ।
---सिद्धि अग्रवाल, दसवीं-डी

यदि मैं नेता होती तो . . .



यदि मैं नेता होती
भारत को श्रेष्ठ बनाती
भ्रष्टाचार को दूर भगाती
जाति-वाद को जड़ से हटाती
यदि मैं नेता होती
भारत को श्रेष्ठ बनाती ।

घर-घर में बिजली आती
नल-नल में पानी लाती
भ्रष्ट लोगों को हवालात भिजवाती
बेरोज़गारों को रोज़गार दिलवाती
यदि मैं नेता होती
भारत को श्रेष्ठ बनाती ।

गंगा माँ को स्वच्छ कराती
देश की बेटियों को सुरक्षा दिलवाती
अपने देश का नाम रोशन करती
तिरंगे का मान बढ़ाती
एक नव भारत का निर्माण करती
यदि मैं नेता होती
भारत को श्रेष्ठ बनाती ।

---शिवांगी जोशी, दसवीं-डी

यदि मैं नेता होती तो

देश का बुरा हाल न होता,
गरीबों पर अत्याचार न होता,
हर समान की कीमत इतनी न होती,
और सबका भला करती ।

देश में हो रहें हैं दंगे,
जिसमें हैं कई बेकसूर मरते,
यह सब ज़रूर रोकती
यदि मैं नेता होती ।

माँ, बहनों को सुरक्षा मिलती,
बेरोज़गारों को नौकरी मिलती,
महंगाई इतनी कभी न बढ़ती,
देश की तरक्की होती ।

गरीबी रेखा के नीचे लोग बुरी तरह तड़पते हैं
पर ये सारे नेता उनके के लिए कुछ भी नहीं करते हैं ।
उन सबकी तकलीफें ज़रूर कम होती,
जब उनको घर और नौकरी मिल जाती है ।

देश के सारे गरीब बच्चों को
स्कूल जाने का अवसर मिलता ।
सारे बच्चों को उनका यह अधिकार मिलता,
यदि मैं नेता होती ।

इस पिछड़े भारत को
सबसे आगे कर देती,
उन्नति का आवास होता,
यदि मैं नेता होती ।

पर दूसरों की तरह
मैं अपनी जेब न भरती,
अपनी स्वार्थ-सिद्धि के लिए
दूसरों का नुकसान न करती,
भ्रष्टाचार को देश में कभी
न पाँव जमाने देती,
यदि मैं नेता होती ।

जनता का भला
और स्वार्थियों तथा बेईमानों का बुरा करती
यदि मैं नेता होती ।



---वंशिका सिंह, दसवीं-डी

यदि मैं नेता होती तो . . .

कम से कम इस वर्तमान समय में संदिग्ध होने के लिए एक वर्ग है - हमारे नेता । धिनौने, नापसंद और अविश्वसनीय । उनकी यह छवि अब एक तथ्य है जो किसी से भी नहीं छिपी है ।

यदि मैं एक नेता होती तो मेरी पहली और तात्कालिक कोशिश जनता के मन से नेताओं की इस बदसूरत धारणा को मिटानी होती । हमारे भारतीय नेता बहुत ही शक्तिशाली हैं और उन्हें अपने उच्च पदों के साथ भत्तों की एक ज़बरदस्त संख्या मिलती है । फिर भी वे अधिक से अधिक पैसा कमाने के लिए आखिर भ्रष्टाचार का सहारा क्यों लेते हैं ? इसका जवाब मेरी समझ से परे है ।

यदि मैं नेता होती तो मैं सबसे संतुष्ट व्यक्ति होती । मेरा पहला कर्तव्य उन उच्च पदों वाले नेताओं को उनकी सच्चाई से रूबरू करवाना होता । सबसे पहले मेरा यह समझना ज़रूरी होगा कि आखिर मतदाताओं ने मुझे मत क्यों दिया है ? मेरी कमाई के लिए तो नहीं लेकिन मत देने का अहम् कारण है - मेरे माध्यम से उनका विकास । एक नेता जनता का प्रतीक होना चाहिए । आत्म - समर्पण, आत्म विश्वास, जनता के प्रति प्रेम भावना, यही सब गुण आपको एक अच्छा नेता बनाते हैं ।

जनता ने आपको अपना कीमती मत दिया है । यदि मैं नेता होती तो मेरा कर्तव्य लोगों के इस अमूल्य एहसान को चुकाना होता । जनता का विकास देश का विकास है । देश का सिर ऊँचा रखना है तो जनता का विकास ही एक तरीका है ।

---निकिता जोशी, दसवीं-ब



यदि मैं शून्य होता

एक व्यक्ति के जीवन में शून्य का अधिक महत्त्व होता है । एक शून्य से बनते-बनते कार्य बिगड़ जाते हैं । आजकल लोग सोचते हैं कि शून्य का कोई महत्त्व नहीं है । जो बच्चा पढ़ाई में कमज़ोर होता है तो उसे कह देते हैं कि तुम शून्य हो । जो बच्चा सौ में से सौ लाता है उसमें भी शून्य होता है । तो फिर सौ वाले की इतनी प्रशंसा क्यों ? और शून्य वाले की प्रशंसा क्यों नहीं ? अगर एक में दो शून्य बढ़ा दो तो वह सौ बन जाता है और अगर तीन लगा दो तो हजार । सिर्फ एक शून्य लगाने से कीमत इतनी बढ़ जाती है और शून्य घटाने से कीमत इतनी घट जाती है । यदि मैं शून्य होती तो मेरी बहुत माँग होती एक शून्य की कीमत बहुत होती है । अगर हम एक के आगे पाँच शून्य लगा देते हैं तो वह लाख बन जाता है । पर मुझे अफसोस होता है कि सभी लोग शून्य को बेकार समझते हैं । अगर हम सोचे तो शून्य के बिना जीना हमारे लिए बहुत मुश्किल है । शून्य का प्रयोग हर जगह किया जाता है । बड़े-बड़े विद्यालयों में, बैंक में, ऑफिस में हर जगह शून्य का बहुत महत्त्व है पर लोगों ने अपनी यह सोच बना रखी है कि शून्य का मतलब कुछ नहीं । भला जो शून्य इतना काम करता है । वह कुछ भी नहीं यह कैसे हो सकता है ?

---शिवांगी दूबे, दसवीं-ए

एक विचित्र स्वप्न

रात्रि के पहर में मैं बस निद्रा का इंतज़ार कर रही थी कि एक दम से मेरी आँखों के सामने अँधेरा सा छा गया ऐसा प्रतीत हो रहा था कि मानों मेरे ऊपर कई काले घने बादल छाने लगे हों। हर जगह से गोलियों के चलने की, घोड़ों के दौड़ने की आवाज़ें आ रही थीं। फिर जब थोड़ा सा उजाला हुआ तो फिर पता चला कि मैं भी उन में से एक घोड़े पर बैठी हुई थी। ऐसा प्रतीत हो रहा था मानो मैं एक राजवंशी राजकुमारी हूँ और विचित्र वस्त्रों में तो सच-मुच एक महायुद्ध सा प्रतीत होने लगा।



आस पास के सभी लोग घायल थे पर फिर भी युद्ध लड़ रहे थे। वह और कोई नहीं पर राजवंशी सैनिक ही थे। हमारा युद्ध मुगलों से हो रहा था। बड़ा ही भनायक दृश्य था वहाँ मजबूरन, अपनी जान बचाने हेतु मुझे भी युद्ध करना पड़ा। वह जो भी खबर मुझ तक लाते उसमें मेरे नाम की जगह मुझे राजकुमारी बुलाते। मुझे उनके आदर के लिए भी युद्ध जीतना था। अचानक से मेरे सामने एक मुगलों का सरदार आया। मैंने अपनी तलवार निकाली और उससे भिड़ना शुरू किया। हम काफी देर तक भिड़े पर एक दम से मेरे सामने एक रोशनी आई जिसकी वजह से मैं कुछ देख ही नहीं पा रही थी और उसके पश्चात मैं अपने घोड़े से गिर गई। जब मैंने आँखें खोली तो मैंने देखा कि मैं अपने बिस्तर से गिर गई थी और सूरज की किरणें मेरी आँखों पर पड़ रही थी।

---मुसकान गुप्ता, आठवीं-सी

एक नया दौर

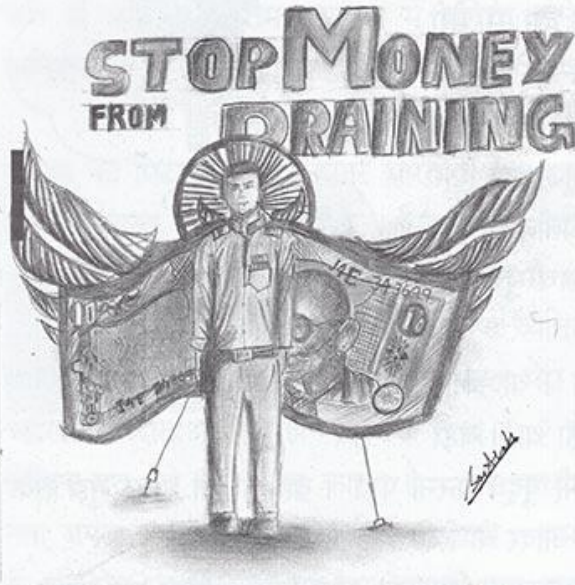
एक नया दौर दुनिया में शुरू,
बच्चों के दम से होगा।
बदनाम हो जिससे देश अपना
वैसा काम न हमसे होगा।
धरती राम और कृष्ण की,
और धरती बुद्ध महान की।
युग-युग से धरती ने,
कुरबानी ली इंसान की।
यह देश है अर्जुन भीम का,
राणा प्रताप जैसे वीर का
यह देश है राम रहीम का,



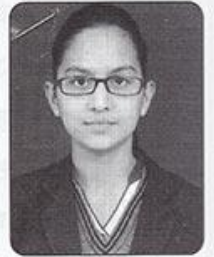
और है ये संत कबीर का।
लाला लाजपत राय ने जिस दिन
दुश्मनों को ललकारा था।
आए सुभाष, आए गाँधी,
चला अनेक नामों का नारा था।
न ज़ोश हमारा कभी कम होगा,
एक नया दौर दुनिया में होगा।
हमसे शुरू, हमसे शुरू
जय हिंद, जय हिंद, जय हिंद।

---मानसी चौहान, आठवीं-डी

यदि मैं पुलिस अधिकारी होती



यदि मैं पुलिस अधिकारी होती तो मैं सबसे पहले भ्रष्टाचार के मुद्दे को खत्म करती। मैं अपनी ड्यूटी पूरी लगन और ईमानदारी के साथ करती। मैं बिना भेद-भाव के फैसले लेती तथा रिश्वतखोरी से दूर रहती। भ्रष्टाचार, रिश्वतखोरी, जात-पात, भेद-भाव यह सब हमारे समाज की कुरीतियाँ हैं, लोग अपने से नीची जाति के साथ बात करना, खाना-खाना, यहाँ तक बैठना भी पसंद नहीं करते। मैं खास ध्यान रखती कि यह सब समाज से खत्म हो। आजकल हर दूसरे दिन चोरी डकैती होती है, सड़क पर चलते हुए लोगों को लूट लिया जाता है। हमारे आज के मॉडर्न समाज में जहाँ लड़का-लड़की में कोई भेद-भाव नहीं है वही दूसरी तरफ हमारी बहन बेटियाँ घर से निकलने में घबराती हैं। जहाँ लड़कियाँ हर क्षेत्र में आगे बढ़ रही हैं वहीं दूसरी तरफ अभी - भी लड़कियों को मारा जाता



हैं। जहाँ एक तरफ लड़कियों की पूजा की जाती है वहीं दूसरी तरफ उनका बाल विवाह करा दिया जाता है। बचपन से ही उनके हाथ में किताबों व खिलौनों के स्थान पर बरतन व बेलन पकड़ा दिया जाता है। यह सब तो समाज की कुछ ऐसी कुप्रथाएँ हैं जो सिर्फ एक पुलिस अधिकारी को नहीं बल्कि हर एक नागरिक को खत्म करने का प्रण लेना चाहिए। अगर हर हिंदुस्तानी नागरिक एक पुलिस अधिकारी की भूमिका निभाए तो देश की हालात आज से अधिक बेहतर होगी।

---अदिती, नवी-सी

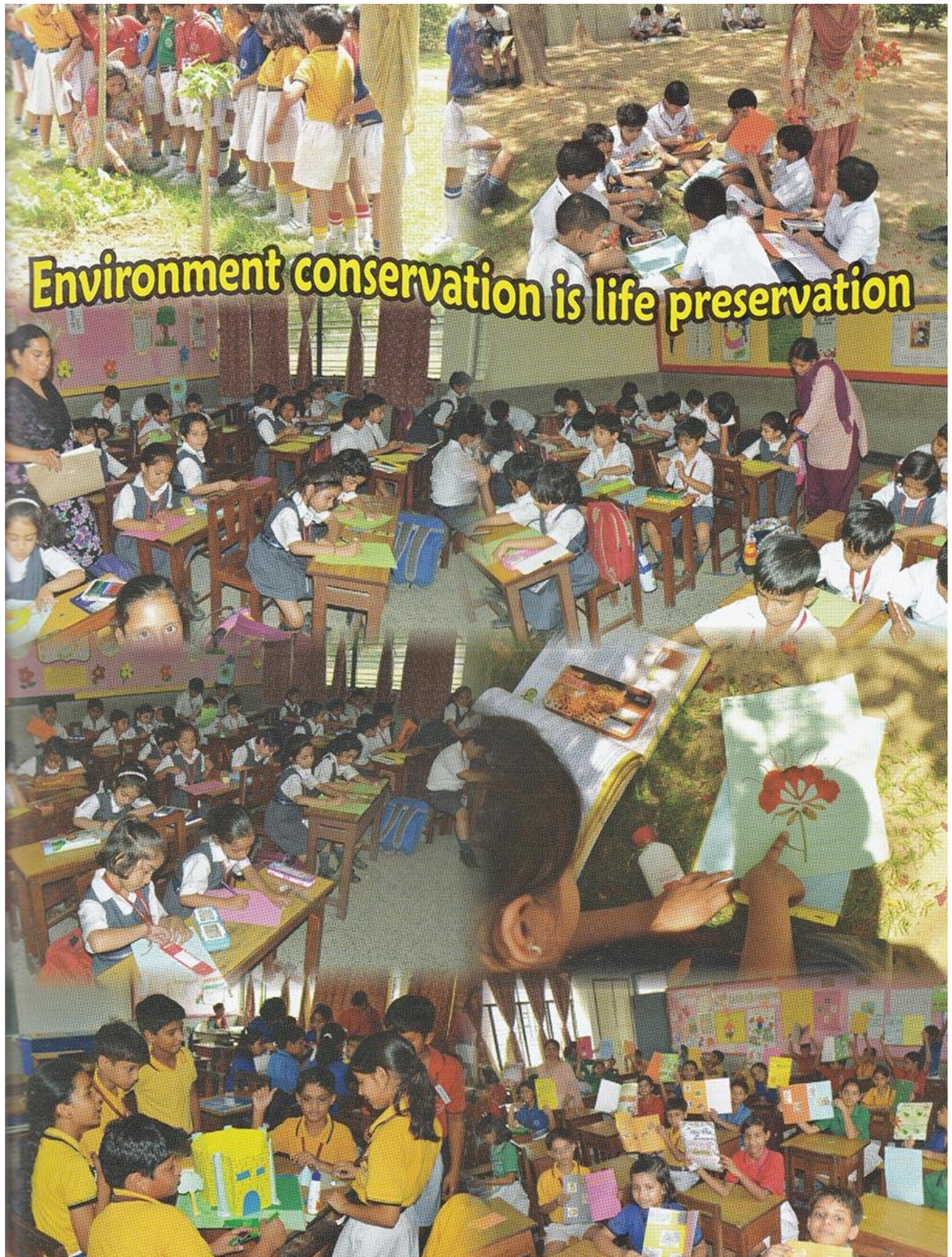
कौन बनेगा करोड़पति?

करोड़पति के सेट पर हो गया आज बवाल,
कम्प्यूटर स्क्रीन पर आया गजब सवाल।
आया गजब सवाल जीतकर, फास्टेस्ट फिंगर फस्ट,
हॉट सीट पर आ गए, नेता जी एक भ्रष्ट।
नेता जी के आते ही मच गया धमाल,
पहले ही सवाल ने दिखा दिया कमाल।
पहला प्रश्न जिताएगा, रुपये पाँच हजार,
देश में कौन है भ्रष्टाचार का ज़िम्मेदार ?
सही जवाब बतलाइए, ऑप्शन ये रहे चार,
ए) जनता, ब) मंत्री,
सी) नेता, डी) सरकार
हम ही नेता, हम ही मंत्री, हमारी ही सरकार,
जो उत्तर को लौक किया, चुनाव जाएँगे हार।
मंत्री जी पड़ गए सोच में, मदद करे अब कौन ?
फिर बोले - लगाया जाए हमारे मित्र राजनाथ पंडित को फोन।



पंडित जी घबरा गए सुनकर यह प्रश्न,
बोले - ज्यों सही उत्तर को लौक किया,
नहीं मना पाएँगे चुनाव जीतने का ज़श्न
तीस सेकंड समाप्त हो गए, नेता जी हो गए तंग,
बोले - भाई, अब तो क्विट ही करेंगे हम।
नाराज़ होकर चले गए सेट से नेता जी तुरंत,
बोले - चुनाव में ही दिखाएँगे हम अपना असली रंग।

---रेदा, दसवीं-डी



Environment conservation is life preservation

Swacch Bharat Swacch Vidyalaya Campaign



Primary students set an example during Clean India Campaign



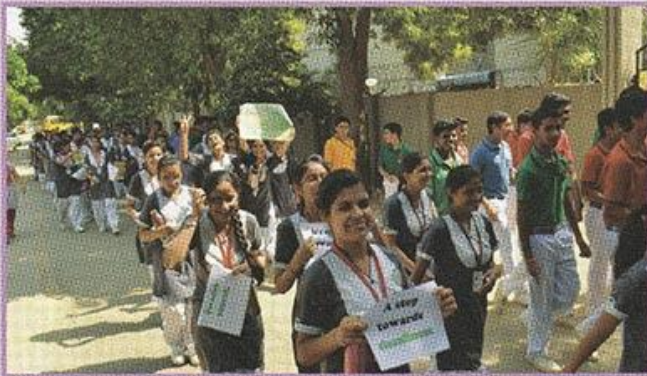
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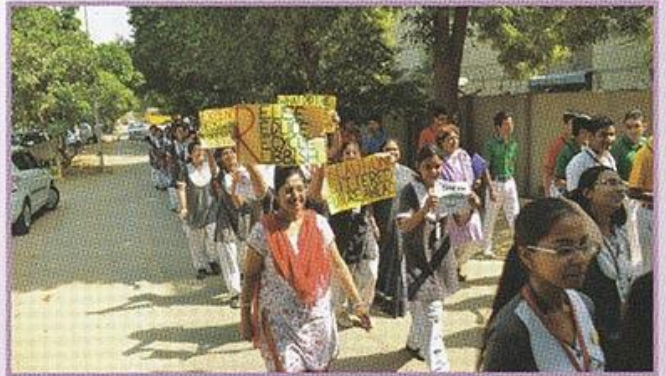
Little Hands at work



All set for the awareness rally



Students raising slogans on the need for cleanliness



A march for cleanliness



Cleanliness is the key to Godliness

Swacch Bharat Swacch Vidyalaya Campaign



Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas encourages the students by being a part of the rally



A step towards cleanliness



Coming together cleaning together in Alpha II market place



The young generation sets an example



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Let's join hands for a cleaner India

Science Symposium



Students reflect zeal and fervour



Principal Dr. Mary Thomas interacts with the participants



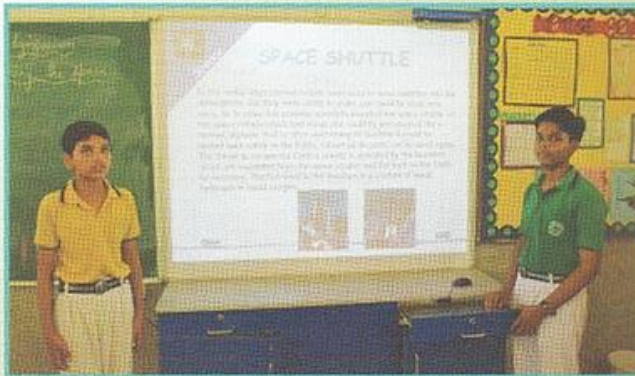
Mr. Thomas T. Roy, Secretary/Treasurer L.C.B.M. in India and Mrs. D. A. Tressler, Director Somerville Schools visit the Symposium



All set for the science Symposium



The young scientists



Shajar Khan and Soumya Ranjan Sahu, IX-B with their power point presentation 'Reaching Outer Space'



Aman Mishra and Sarvottam IX-A, with their power point presentation 'Reaching Outer Space'

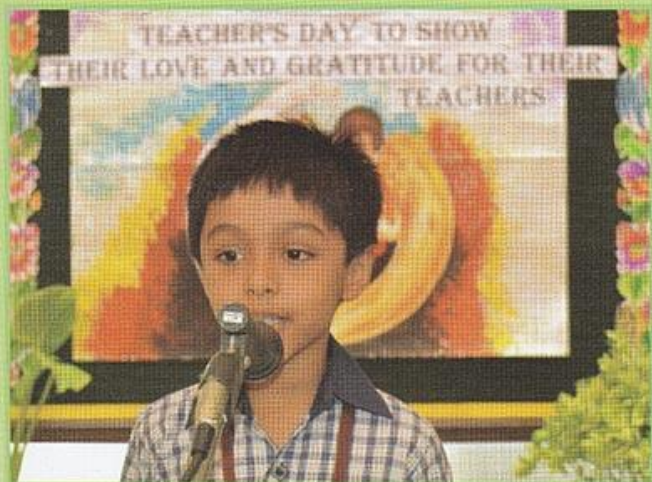


Sudhanshu Gupta and Sarthak Kanodia X-D with their power point presentation 'Conservation of Wild Life'

Life can never be lived without being scientific

Preparatory School - Teacher's Day

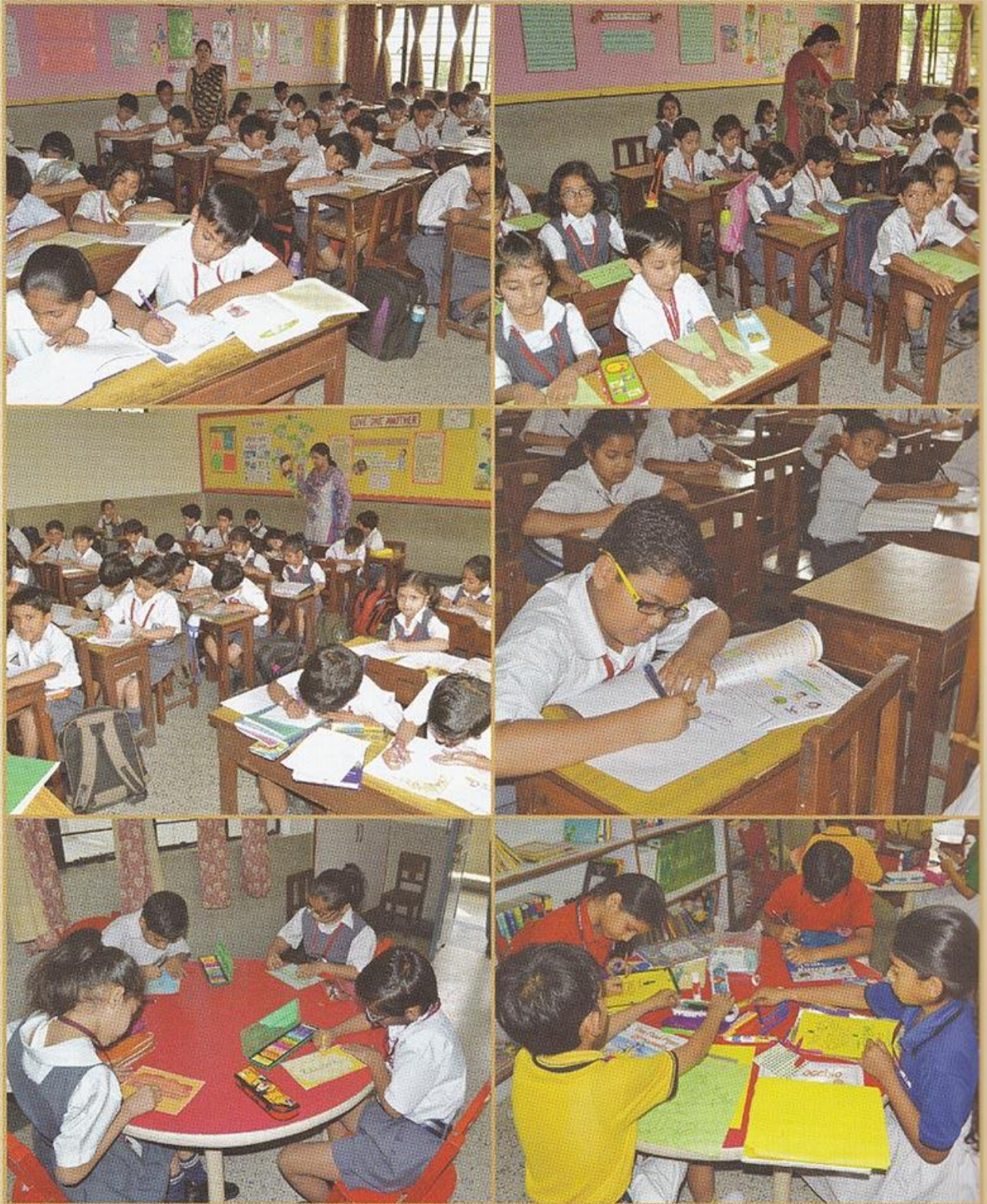
Blooming Buds Entertain their Teachers



Showing Gratitude for the Mentors

Library Week

Various activities in progress



Reading books is a uniquely portable magic

Library Week

Story Writing Competition



Books make great gifts....

They have whole world inside them - Neil Gaiman

Benedictions to Class XII



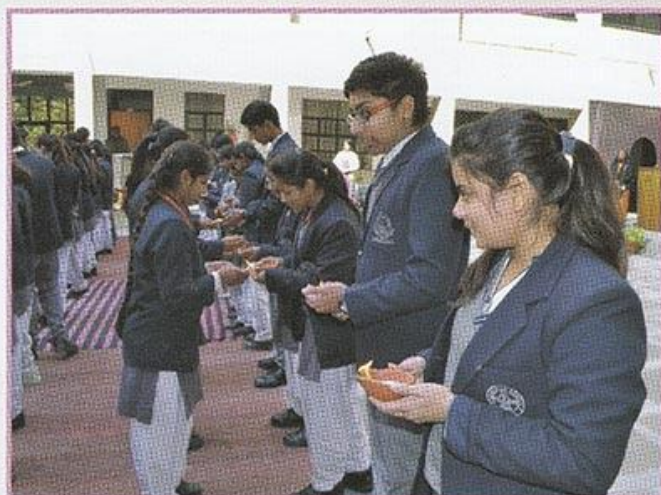
Dr. Mary Thomas, Principal, lights the ceremonial lamp



Ms. Monisha R. Claudius, Vice Principal and Mrs. Shefali Egbert, Head Mistress light the lamp



A Serene Hymn presented by the school choir



Passing over the light of knowledge by the out going class



Students place their 'Diyas' on the SSGN Layout



Bidding adieu has never been easy

Benedictions to Class XII



Principal, Dr. Mary Thomas giving away the mementoes to the outgoing students



Dr. Mary Thomas, Principal, shares her encouraging message with the out going Class-XII

Preparatory School Teachers



A teacher is like the candle, which lights others in consuming itself

We will miss you

Class XII-A (2014-2015)



1st Row

- Mr. Tapas Jana, Archit Misra, Siddharth Pathania, Rahul Kumar, Asif Syed, Nishkarsh, Prashant P. Singh, Hansuman, Suchayan Mondol, Ankit Sharma, Shantam Gupta

2nd Row

- Pragya Tripathi, Shristi Chauhan, Stuti Vats, Shubhika Marar, Vaibhavi Chaturvedi, Vaishali Bhati, Akshita Vohra, Sonakshi Gandotra, Glory Abraham, Akansha Mitra, Ambika Thakur, Mrs. Mamta Mehrotra, Sheenu

3rd Row

- Apra Arya, Rowena Claudius, Devipriya Mukerji, Shreya Tiwari, Shanu Yadav, Ananta Das, Aradhna, Shabnam Thakur, Mona Goyal, Sanskriti, Ishani Bhattacharya, Somaii Deb, Divya Aggarwal

Sitting

- Mr. Dharambir Singh, Mrs. Rimmi Soin, Mrs. Manila Verma (Class Teacher), Mrs. Monisha Roy Claudius (Vice Principal), Dr. Mary Thomas (Principal), Mrs. Shefali Egbert (Head Mistress), Mr. Dharmendra Kumar, Mrs. Seema Taneja, Dr. Priti Bhowmik

We will miss you

Class XII-B (2014-2015)



1st Row

- Mr.Tapas Jana, Ayush N. Tripathi, Kevin Tom Sonny, Manu Lakhera, Anshul Juyal, Shaswat Mishra, Dhruv Pratap Rana, Arpan Chauhan, Nikhil Sharma, Tanmoy Koner, Karan Kapur, Anubhav Kandwal, Himanshu Singh

2nd Row

- Mrs. Mamta Mehrotra (Teacher), Rakshit Choudhary, Devarshika Anand, Akriti Singh , Karen Vanessa Pennefather, Harshita Mishra, Aparajita Prasad, Ayushi Joshi, Shibi Srivastava, Jennifer K. Thomas, Mansi Tyagi, Shreyam Mishra, Dr.Priti Bhowmik

Sitting

- Mr.Dharambir Singh, Dr.Namrata Chanana, Mrs.Rimmi Soin, Mrs.Monisha Roy Claudius (Vice Principal), Dr. Mary Thomas (Principal), Mrs.Vijay Rani Dogra (Class Teacher), Mrs.Manju Mishra, Mrs.Seema Yogendra, Mrs.Rachna Agarwal

We will miss you

Class XII-C (2014-2015)



1st Row

- Mr. Tapas Jana, Tarun Senya, Himanshu Kumar Pandey, Shubham Vashishtha, Suraj Tomar, Kushagra, Shahzaib Khan, Vishwas Agrawal, Rajesh Kumar Jha, Pradeep Bhati, Anubhav Sharma, Rudraksh Gupta, Mrs. Rimmi Soin

2nd Row

- Mrs. Mamta Mehrotra, Albin Thomas, Aakriti Dwivedi, Megha Pandit, Nidhi, Sakshi Singhal, Ayushi Rohela, Neehar Chouksey, Ira, Kajal Baisla, Ashu Chauhan, Preeti Roshan, Soumya Tripathi, Piyush, Dr. Priti Bhowmik

Sitting

- Mr. Dharambir Singh, Dr. Namrata Chanana, Mrs. Manju Mishra, Mrs. Monisha Roy Claudius (Vice Principal), Dr. Mary Thomas (Principal), Mrs. Deepika Shalini Nanda (Class Teacher), Mrs. Seema Yogendra, Mrs. Gowri Ravindran, Mrs. Rachna Agarwal

We will miss you

Class XII-D (2014-2015)



1st Row

- Mrs. Rimmi Soin, K. Kaushik, Atul Mishra, Rishabh Deep Singh, Prince Lobiyal, Yaman Marwah, Sidharth Bhati, Shashank Panghal, Rohit Sharma, Dennis Robin Ekka, Aditya Harsh

2nd Row

- Akshat Singhal, Pratik Kumar, Sanya Sinha, Heena Arora, Bhupanshi Tyagi, Neha Sahu, Swadha Shruti Dikshit, Aakriti Mall, Pikasha Pandey, Ashutosh Sewel, Mr. Tapas Jana

3rd Row

- Priye Roshan, Aman Kumar, Priyanka Bansal, Vaishali Sharma, Shubhangi Bansal, Anushka Jain, Rupashi, Nishu Goel, Nisha Choudhary, Darshan S. Nayyar, Vikalp Ramavat

Sitting

- Mr. Dharambir Singh, Mrs. Mamta Mehrotra, Mrs. Seema Taneja (Class Teacher), Mrs. Monisha Roy Claudius (Vice Principal), Dr. Mary Thomas (Principal), Mr. S. Kannan, Mrs. Gowri Ravindran, Mrs. Deepika Shalini Nanda, Dr. Priti Bhowmik

Administrative Staff



A good head and a good heart are always a formidable combination

Our Support Staff



Let us have faith that right makes might, and in that faith let us to the end dare to do our duty as we understand it - Abraham Lincoln

Junior School Teacherz



Department of decorum and judiciousness

