

# Gyan Buzz...

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### DISCOVER THE joy of LEARNING

#### From The Principal's Desk ...

Dear Readers,

The rains brought with it joy and sorrow. While we got used to the vagaries of the weather, Shreeyans occupied themselves with multivarious activities – some that brought them and the school laurels and accolades!

All that we do in and out of school with Shreeyans, builds in them values – values of caring for nature & people alike, value of learning to live in harmony with each other & the environment & values of perseverance and humility.

Best Wishes, Brinda Ghosh Principal

#### Editorial...

### The Reluctant Steps

#### "Dark clouds wait for lightning to strike, and humans wait for motivation."

Read this newsletter which bears testimony to this.

As the exam season nears, I sit at my desk with my books open on the table, ready to revise for the tests. My loved ones wish me luck, my teachers help me out, and the study reminders on my phone keep me on track. All these things put together, deeply motivate me to put in my best efforts and prepare for the exams. If not for the encouragement from the people or the pressure of exams, I might not perform as well as I do in these tests. Motives push us to pursue our goals. Thus, whenever we wish to accomplish a goal or fulfil a desire, we look for motivation either within or around us to work towards the fulfilment of our objectives. Several great plays have been written, and billions of bucks have been earned only because motivation set the desire for the pursuit of goals within various individuals.

And so we sit and wait around for this glorious, god-sent miracle called motivation to approach us as well. Initially, we may affirm ourselves, talk to our reflections in the mirror, and search for a few inspirational quotes on the internet to help us get started, but all this lasts for a short period.

What we often forget is that while some individuals became successful because they were motivated, many more have been able to achieve their goals only because of perseverance.

Motivations and encouragement help us get started. However, they are irregular and momentary.

A dependence on motivation becomes a hindrance when there is none around us. If you have not yet found this motivation within you, you might not find it for another few hours, weeks or even years. So, I implore you to keep in mind that acting when motivation strikes is alright, as long as you do not depend on it to help you accomplish every goal in your life.

When motivation does not help you begin the race, take a few uncomfortable, reluctant steps from the starting line, and perseverance will take you to the finish line.

#### MANVI CHATURVEDI XII



## Pre – Primary Wing

#### 'EAT HEALTHY TO STAY HEALTHY'

The theme for the month of July was 'Food', various interesting activities and crafts were planned for Shreeyans of Pre-Nursery, Nursery & Kindergarten, like 'Vegetable Mart Activity', 'Fruit & Vegetable Sorting Activity, 'Show & Tell' etc. Through these activities children learnt to recognize and identify various fruits and vegetables. They learnt names of many fruits and vegetables in English and Hindi and learnt about 'Healthy and Unhealthy' Food as well as 'Cooked and Uncooked' Food (KG) through a Class Activity and Talk, using real food items, their wrappers and pictures. A Storytelling session and enactment was done by the Shreegurus of Nursery to make the Shreeyans aware of the effect of unhealthy food on our body (Nursery). The Little Chef Activity for the month was 'Fruit Chaat', The Theme Art activities included watermelon (PN), grapes (Nursery) and 'My Healthy Meal' (KG). A variety of techniques were used, like painting, tear & paste, bottle cap printing, as well as drawing and colouring. Such activities help to build the Shreeyans' fine motor skills and pincer grip. An Assembly on the Theme 'Food' was conducted by Shreeyans of Nursery A and KG A. Through songs, dances and a skit they conveyed the message 'Eat Healthy to Stay Healthy'.











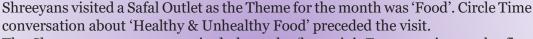








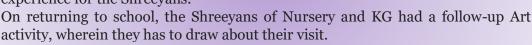






The Shreeyans were most excited about the 'bus trip'. For many it was the first experience. On reaching the outlet, the Shreeyans were intrigued to see such a variety of fruits and vegetables. Shreeyans then observed how fruits and vegetables are purchased as the teachers bought some fruits which were to be used in the following day's Little Chef Activity. It was a very informative and interesting experience for the Shreeyans.





















#### **SAVE WATER, SAVE LIFE**

Water is the basic necessity for the functioning of all life forms that exist on Earth. As the theme for the month was 'Water', through Role Play, Class Talk and pictures the Shreeyans learnt about uses of water and that water is necessary for all — people, animals and plants. Via activities demonstrated by teachers, the Shreeyans observed that water has no shape, no colour and no taste.

They did a wide variety of activities related to water, like transferring water with a sponge (PN), pouring water from one glass to another (Nur & KG), creating a 'Jal Tarang' by using 2 pencils and glass bowls filled with water up to different levels (Nur & KG).

An Assembly on the Theme 'Water' was also conducted by Shreeyans of Nursery B and KG B. Through songs & dances they conveyed that we must 'Save Water' - use water sensibly and not waste water. An important message indeed!







## Lower Primary Wing

#### **CLASS ASSEMBLIES BY GRADE II**

In July, Gyanshree School's Lower Primary Wing had a thrilling time with mesmerizing events. Grade II - B rocked the stage with their assembly titled 'Monsoon Mania,' showcasing amazing facts about the rainy season and delivering stunning song and dance performances!

The assemblies were blessed with the esteemed presence of our dynamic leaders - Mrs. Brinda Ghosh (Principal), Mrs. Amita Bajpai (Vice-Principal), and Mrs. Ritu Pandit (Headmistress of Lower Primary Wing).

Get ready to feel the friendship vibes! Grade II - C wowed everyone with their super cool assembly on 'Friendship.' The Shreeyans' message was crystal clear: friends are forever! Their electrifying thoughts and musical performances left all in awe!







#### **ART MELA**

Prepare to be amazed by the incredible talent at the 'Art Mela' hosted by the Lower Primary Wing's Shreeyans! Grade 2 artists showcased their creativity through amazing wall murals, abstract masterpieces, and funky flower pom-poms and chandeliers. Meanwhile, Grade 1 artists wowed with vibrant kite pom-poms, mesmerizing pattern frames using ice-cream sticks, dot art, and adorable rainy season artworks. Each piece was a burst of colours and imagination, leaving everyone in awe! The event was a true celebration of youthful ingenuity and innovation, proving that creativity knows no bounds in Gyanshree School!















#### **MY NEIGHBOURHOOD (GLT)**

The Lower Primary Wing's exciting excursion was all about 'My Neighbourhood and Surroundings'! Shreeyans explored the Church and Post Office, sending letters home with bubbling enthusiasm. On the journey, they discovered hospitals, markets, schools, and apartments, sparking lively discussions Hold on to your seats as these little adventurers embraced the world around them!













## SPEAKING ACTIVITY - THE COMMUNITY HELPER I ADMIRE

Grade 1 Shreeyans rocked in their speaking skills as they shared their favourite places in the neighbourhood! With great enthusiasm, they drew and spoke about these magical spots, creating a vibrant tapestry of stories and connections. From the favourite spot in their society park to their first connect with a Post Office, their words came alive, fostering a strong bond with each other and their surroundings.















#### SAFETY WEEK (TRAFFIC RULES)

Grade 1 Shreeyans hit the road with a thrilling traffic rules role play. They transformed into pedestrians, drivers, and even traffic police, taking charge of road safety like pros! Traffic signage and make believe traffic lights along with the speed breakers added extra excitement, reiterating the vital message of safety on roads.



The Grade 1 Shreeyans turned up the heat with a sizzling Little Chef activity! They dived into the culinary world, mastering the art of cooking under their teachers' expert guidance. From the basics to creating mouthwatering chaat, they cooked up a storm! With hands-on fun, they discovered the thrill of fixing a snack and savoured the taste of their own success!











#### **SAFE CIRCLE**

Grade 1 Shreeyans embraced their "safe circle" with love and artistry! They drew their family, friends, and teachers, symbolizing a trusted and supportive group. These precious circles represent safety, support, and comfort, where they can share personal thoughts and experiences without hesitation. Together, they create a nurturing space, fostering a sense of belonging and love.

#### **PLANTATION ACTIVITY**

Our Shreeyans are eco-warriors in the making! We believe in growing with our trees and making friends for life through our Plantation Drive. Lower-primary champs plant saplings on special occasions like birthdays and victories, nurturing them with care and curiosity. It's not just a celebration; it's an environmental dedication! We watch these little green thumbs blossom, spreading awareness and love for Mother Nature. Together, we're building a greener, happier world, one sapling at a time!



## Upper Primary Wing

#### **'SOCIAL STUDIES WEEK' @ GYANSHREE SCOOL - A SNEAK PEEK!**

Shreeyans of Grades III - V celebrated the 'Social Studies Week' with great zeal and enthusiasm. The youngest of the lot grouped up to give presentations that focussed on the food habits, culture, climatic conditions, language, dance and dress styles of the different states of our country - Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Assam and so on. Additionally they made maps for routes from their homeroom to different activity rooms. Shreeyans of Grades IV gave a snapshot of the states and rivers of India and the civilizations that have sprung up along their borders through their presentation - 'A Heaven in the making- Glimpses of my Promised Land.' The enthused Shreeyans collaborated and researched on their elected topics, made posters and models, took photographs, wrote poems, and used other creative mediums to present their learning. Shreeyans of Grade V explored and researched about the festivals, languages, dance forms, clothes, handicrafts, topography and political features of the North Eastern states of our nation. The week culminated on a celebratory note with the participating Shreeyans giving a grand presentation in the amphitheatre and putting up their work for display in the corridors, thereby transforming the corridors of the school into cultural galleries of India.



















#### WHAT'S UNDER WATER?!

Shreeyans of Grade III dived into the marine world to explore and discover precisely - 'What's Under Water?!' They then showcased their discoveries through presentations that highlighted the lives of extraordinary sea creatures, expanded upon fun facts about various marine animals and even elaborated about ways to make their environment more sustainable. Here's sharing a glimpse of their splendid efforts!



29% of our planet Earth is covered by land or soil and just as the plant and animal kingdom is membered with innumerable species, land itself is made up of a variety of soil types that can be classified under different heads and categories. Shreeyans of Grade III learnt this and more when they handled different samples of soil and shared their observations about the colour and texture of various types of soil.

























## GETTING TO KNOW ABOUT THE DIFFERENT LAYERS OF SOIL...

Shreeyans of Grade III got an in-depth understanding about the structural composition of 'rocks and soil' when they noticed the physical changes that a sample of soil underwent, after it had been mixed with water and kept undisturbed in a glass container for 24 hours. After a day, different layers of soil were clearly visible and Shreeyans gathered around enthusiastically to share their learnings and observations.

#### THE MAGIC HIDDEN IN SEEDS!!

The junior most Shreeyans of the Upper Primary Wing learnt about the magic that happens, when a seed is exposed air, water and heat under ambient conditions. Their amazement was a joy to behold when they saw the fruits of their efforts in the shape of small roots and stems sprouting from the seeds.



















#### **UNIFORMITY IN PROGRESS!**

Shreeyans of Grades IV & V were paired and grouped for an ICT presentation, thus learning not just about the world of technology but also about how to work in pairs & in coordination. Both members of each team had to work in pairs to create their individual posters with a catch, their creation had to be identical to their partner's poster! And the enthusiastic teams participated proactively to create their twin placards!



Shreeyans of Grades IV & V recycled old and readily available things including old fuse bulbs and worked in pairs to create 3D model of parts of the nervous system. They also constructed thaumatropes for a STEM activity based on creating optical illusions... Well done, indeed!













## TALES OF THE NORTH-EAST AND OTHER PLACES!!

July saw the Shreeyans of Grades IV & V enlivening their English Literature sessions with their creative genius yet again! The Shreeyans of Grade IV created and edited blurbs based on their reading of the play – 'Gopal and the Hilsa Fish' while the senior most Shreeyans of the Upper Primary Wing pooled together their efforts to create Wikipedia pages for the 'Seven Sister States' of our country.









## Secondary Wing

#### A VISIT TO AN OLD AGE HOME

#### "Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."

Students of the Social Service Club of Gyanshree School visited 'Aangan'- an old age home in sector 105, Noida on July 22, 2023. Shreeyans had contributed whole heartedly by giving grocery items to the home. The founder of Aangan, Dr. Manisha Singh, had conceived and executed the idea of a home for the elderly in March 2021.

The visit was an enriching experience for the students and it will help to inculcate values like empathy, respect for elders and responsibility in them. It was also a pleasant experience for the elderly present there. In spite of the generation gap the students bonded well with the elderly. Each resident of the home had a different experience and story to share with us. The students were enlightened on how to stay contended even when facing hardships. We came back with lots of wishes and blessings, the fragrance of which will linger for long.

#### **GYANSHREE MUN**

### "Peace cannot be kept by force; it can only be achieved by understanding." - Albert Einstein

This quote accentuates the significance of diplomacy, cooperation, and mutual understanding in resolving global issues, which are fundamental aspects of the Model United Nations (MUN) process.

Gyanshree takes immense pride in its MUN club for achieving a remarkable milestone by successfully organizing the intra-level Model United Nations, GSMUN '23. The event was inaugurated by our esteemed Principal, Ms. Brinda Ghosh, on 20th July 2023. During the subsequent two days, delegates from three distinct committees (UNSC, UNCSTD, GCC) participated in thought-provoking, research-driven, and knowledge-building discussions and debates. The students displayed remarkable awareness and collaboration in representing their assigned delegations, and it was astounding to witness that, for some of them, it marked their inaugural MUN experience. The committees received an audience of students and teachers who had the opportunity to witness diplomacy in action.

The event culminated with a closing ceremony, during which numerous participants were awarded accolades for their exemplary performance in GSMUN '23. This milestone will forever hold a special place in the hearts of the participants, audience, and staff alike. It stands as a testimony to the commitment and dedication of all involved in fostering a spirit of international cooperation and diplomacy within Gyanshree's learning community.



#### ENGLISH QUIZ- TO BE OR NOT TO BE...

#### Language shapes the way we think, and determines what we can think about.

A quiz is not just a fun way to learn but also helps boost self-esteem and confidence. Shreeyans of Grade VI to XII participated in an Inter-House English Quiz. There were many interesting rounds with questions based on famous books and authors, idioms, vocabulary and spellings. Akash House got the highest score and was declared the winner of the Competition. Agni House got the runners up position. Principal, Mrs. Brinda Ghosh, congratulated the winning team and emphasized on the importance of the English language. She also encouraged students to participate in more such competitions.











## Shreeyans' Corner



## VALUE OF THE MONTH Caring

Love begins by taking care of the closest ones; the ones at home.'-Mother Teresa

Caring is not just a word but a heart-warming action to make someone realize that they are always in one's heart. You make a difference in the world by caring for someone through kindness. Caring is not a responsibility or duty to be fulfilled, it's a path of immortal happiness; when you care for others it gives you a warm feeling inside. It makes you feel as if you have done something right. The feeling is almost impossible to explain. The simplest act of caring about someone is heroic in itself, meaning that no act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted. Care is just a simple four letter word but its effect is far beyond. I remember how in childhood my parents took care of me, made sure I was fed on time, slept on time, and that I always completed my homework. Yes at first I thought it was just their duty but then I realized that it was all about their love towards me and how they cared for me through my 14 years. Sometimes people do not need a grand display of love, you can make them feel loved just by showing that you care.



MANASVI BHATI

#### **RELATIONS MATTER**

I often hear people saying 'I would be happy, if I had that!' This often makes me wonder how a small thing can make a man happy, but after all we're living in a materialistic world. A world where nothing lasts forever and neither do these small worldly things. All that lasts forever are the relationships that we build. Because when we take our last breath we shall see how kind the world really is and whether or not we earned the badge of being remembered. Relationships are the only bonds if strong enough shall never fade away. They might not always be happy and joyful, you will have your ups and downs but it's up to you to make it last forever. You might argue that even relationships meet an end. But do they really? Relationships are the strongest bonds which may feel like a rollercoaster at times but will always be a forever stored memory & it's in our hands to make it a good one. A good relationship isn't one with the least disagreements but the one which have risen above their differences. Because even at the very end these people shall always remember you and keep you in their hearts. So let's enjoy & celebrate our time with our loved ones in the time we have. After all life's too short to hold a grudge.

OSHI SINGH IX





### BOOK RECOMMENDATION THE HOUSE IN THE CERULEAN SEA - TJ KLUNE

In a world filled with magical creatures, Linus Baker is an ordinary, by-the-book worker in DICOMA; Department in Charge of Magical Youth. But what would happen if his life took an unexpected turn. Assigned to a highly dangerous and classified mission, he is sent to an island to determine whether six magical children are a threat to society, but he finds something that he never expected to.. The House in the Cerulean Sea is a beautiful and moving book, one that shows to the world that family can be found in the most unexpected people but can only be seen if you are willing to look.

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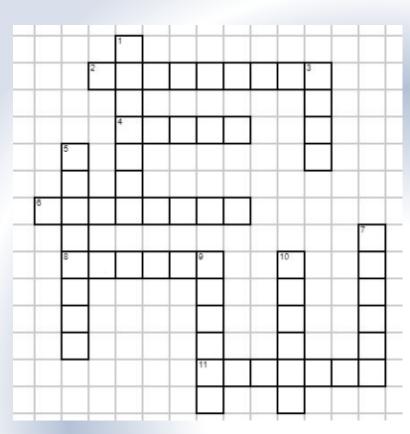
## EVERY DAY STRUGGLES





DIVIJA CHAUHAN X





#### Down:

- 1) A bat-and-ball game played between two teams of eleven players on a field
- 3) It originated in 15th century Scotland. Unlike most ball games, it cannot and does not use a standardized playing area, and coping with the varied terrains encountered on different courses is a key part of the game.
- 5) A favorite sport in colonial America. May involve both team and individual competition, and team performance is usually assessed by summing up the scores of the individual team members
- 7) A combat sport in which two people, usually wearing protective gloves and other protective equipment, such as hand wraps and mouthguards, throw punches at each other for a predetermined amount of time.
- 9) A racket-and-ball sport played by two or four players in a four-walled court with a small, hollow, rubber ball.
- 10) It is now predominantly a striking art using punching, kicking, knee strikes, elbow strikes, and open-hand techniques such as knife-hands, spear-hands etc.

#### Across:

- 2) Is a combat sport that involves different grappling-type techniques such as clinch fighting, throws and takedowns, joint locks etc.
- 4) Is a board game for two players, called White and Black, each controlling an army of pieces in their colour.
- 6) Team sport that involves kicking a ball to score a goal.
- 8) A racket sport wherein the player strikes a hollow rubber ball covered with felt over or around a net and into the opponent's court.
- 11) Activity requiring equipment with wheels and can be performed on ice, vert ramp etc.



JESSICA PREET XII



## "Music gives a soul to the universe, wings to the mind, flight to the imagination and life to everything." - Plato

Music education is extremely important and should be made available to children of all age groups. The study of Music can provide students with a well-rounded education, when allowed to work in harmony with the other subjects and areas of study. It can lead to better brain development, boost the level of confidence, increase human connection and act as a great stressbuster. Studying music particularly can be relaxing and help students beat anxiety or stress while studying. Students learn to express themselves through the song and melody to convey how they're feeling in life which helps listeners to relate and find comfort in the music. It also helps them enhance their communication skills because learning songs involves listening carefully, memorizing the lyrics and pronouncing words correctly. There are various co-curricular activities the school has offered to the students and among them 'Western Music' is one. As a music teacher, it gives me immense pleasure and joy to see the students having so much enthusiasm and positivity about Western Music. Students are now learning to work as a team, and work in a small group to beautify the song with different harmony/Parts. The joy and pride they experience when they practice in the class and perform on stage encourages a positive attitude towards their learning and builds their self-esteem, hones essential skills and prepares them for a more challenging and brighter future.

#### SHREEGURU SHANG (MUSIC DEPARTMENT)



- ➡ Nitish Majumdar of Grade IX participated in the 46th U.P State Shooting Championship in the Air Pistol sub-youth men under 16 age group and successfully Qualified for Pre-national & North Zone Championship with a score of 316/400. Saaira Patro of Grade IXC, Eshita Srivastav of Grade XIIC and Ananya Vashistha of Grade VIIIE won the Silver medal in Air rifle 10-meter youth woman NR under 19 category in the 46th UP State Shooting Championship held at Dr. Karni Singh shooting range, Tughlakabad, Delhi.
- Alaysha of Grade VII appeared for the state qualifier pistol shooting tournament at Tuglaqabaad shooting range. She has qualified for pre nationals.
- ♣ Ananya Vashist, Saaira Patro and Eshita Shrivastava won silver medals for performing excellently in the Under 19 - Girls 10 Meter Air Rifle Shooting in the 21st Pre UP State Shooting Championship held from 23rd to 26th June at Prometheus School Noida.
- → Shreeyans Alishba Raza of XII C and Bhor Dixit of XI C won the First Runners-Up Trophy in the Battle of Words, an Inter School Parliamentary Debate Competition held at Lotus Valley International School, Noida on 20th and 21st July 2023. Alishba Raza also received a special mention from the jury for her refined oratory skills.
- Shreeyans Anshika Bansal, Kushal Srivastav, Shaurya Marwah and Niyati Gupta received an appreciation letter from the Prime Minister for sending questions for Pariksha Pe Charcha.
- ¥ Vihaan Bisht.of Grade VG Scored 4 out of 6 points in District Chess Championship held on 23-24 May











- Aashi Gupta of Grade X participated in the International Olympic Day Championship and won a Gold in Karate.
- Sharanya Srivastava of 6E participated in the AITA National Ranking Championship series held from 24th July to 28 July 2023 in Noida and secured the 1st position in (singles) V-12 girls category.



♣ Shreeyans have been shortlisted for the second round of the biggest and the most raved-about event, the Young Entrepreneur of the Year Challenge 2023, hosted by Invictus International School, Amritsar, in collaboration with Vijaybhoomi University and Michigan College Alliance.



- ♣ Gyanshree chess team made us proud by winning accolades in the UP State Rating Inter School Chess Tournament 2023 held at GIIS Noida on 29th and 30th July. Somiya Hasija and Navyaa Jain got the 1st and 2nd rank respectively in U19 Girls, Goral Bajaj got the 3rd rank in U19 Boys, Bhavya Hasija stood 2nd in U17 Girls and Purushrut Sharma stood 3rd in U11 Boys.
- ♣ Shreeyan Satvik Debdas' book, MY STORIES, MY WAYS, has secured an impressive rank 164 in the National Best-Sellers League. His success will be celebrated at the much-awaited awards and exhibition ceremony of the Summer Book Writing Festival on September 2nd, 2023. It'll be an exclusive gathering of the top 200 authors, honouring their exceptional literary contributions.



Ritvi Chauhan of III B recently participated in Delhi State Under 9 Badminton Tournament and bagged a 'Bronze Medal' - (semi-finalist). Organised by the Delhi Capital Badminton Association on the 24th and 25th of June, 2023, the venue of the event was Ludlow Castle Sports Complex, New Delhi. She bagged Bronze Medal (Semi Finalist).



- Aaradhya Gupta of Grade III achieved remarkable success when she participated in the International Olympic Day championships and won a Gold in Karate.
- Navya of Grade III, participated in a speed race event 500 meter, secured the 1st position in 'UP District Promotional Roller Skating Championship 2023'. The event was organized by Gautam Buddha Nagar Roller Sports Association as part of the Speed Skates category on 16 July, 2023.

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