



Gyan Buzz...

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DISCOVER THE joy OF LEARNING



From The Principal's Desk...

Dear Readers,

This has been a period of hectic activity in school. Intra mural and inter-school events have kept Shreeyans and Shreegurus on their toes. What has to be borne in mind is the need to strike a balance between all the work and the rest. As Ashreya the editor, rightly points out, it is essential to take the necessary break to keep our sanity intact and to know when to strike to give of our best abilities. Let us cultivate the attitude of allowing ourselves the luxury of creating pockets of stillness in our lives.

Best Wishes,
Brinda Ghosh
Principal

Editorial...

Some days feel gloomier than others, some nights may seem more sleepless and restless than others. There certainly are days when we wish to stay in bed, we wish to sleep longer, and we wish to be alone. These are definitely normal, the toxic hustle culture instilled in today's society is extremely scarring.

We are all humans, we all are allowed to be unproductive on certain days. However, unproductivity should not become a lifestyle. Yes, we all should work hard towards the success of our dreams, goals and ambitions- we should be persistent and focused. At the same time, taking care of our mental health and ensuring that we do not get burnt out in the process is just as important.

A burnout refers to a point of complete mental, physical and emotional exhaustion. Over working our body to an extent where it can no longer function efficiently can lead to such burnout. Often, we see motivational speakers preach incessantly about working day in and day out to conquer our goals- often providing extremely generalized and oversimplified solutions such as waking up at 5 am. Of course, one can wake up at 5 am if they wish to, however the main aim here is to debunk the toxic hustle culture forced upon us.

Certain problems can affect us psychologically and may require professional assistance. Students today suffer from immense mental stress due to the competitiveness in academics and other fields. We fail to realize that somewhere, we are a part of the problem, constantly feeding into the "no pain, no gain" mentality to the point that one is extremely burnt out and in the long run severely affected by psychological trauma.

Let us work towards our goals, one step at a time. Let us work towards bettering ourselves both physically and mentally. A balanced mind is essential. The strongest or the most powerful man in the world is nothing without mental stability.

ASHREYA SINGH
XII



Pre – Primary Wing

TRANSPORT

Our day-to-day life is busy with a number of activities, which involves movement to and from different places. For this movement we need to use different modes of transport. For some 'real world, hands-on' learning about Transport, the children of the Pre-Primary Wing (PN, NUR & KG) were taken outside the school gate, to see the Zebra Crossing, the footpath and the movement of different vehicles on the road. Children learnt about how and when to cross the road (by using a Zebra Crossing), using a footpath for walking and other Road & Traffic Safety Rules.

The children of Kindergarten also learnt about some road signs and what they mean, through an activity set up in Atrium 2. Through this integrated activity, they also learnt about the pre-number concept of wide & narrow by walking through narrow and wide roads (created with big wooden blocks). They understood what the three different colours of the traffic light mean and its relevance. It was a great learning experience for our little Shreeyans.



TEACHERS' DAY

Teachers' Day is celebrated in India on 5th September every year to commemorate the birth anniversary of Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan. Pre-Primary Shreeyans celebrated this day with great gusto and gaiety. The day started with 'Guru Vandana' followed by a peek into Dr Radhakrishnan's life and why Teacher's Day is celebrated. The Shreeyans made cards to express their love, respect and gratitude for their teachers with special artwork using handprints, oil-pastels etc. Kindergarten Shreeyans surprised their teachers by performing for them - rhymes, songs, acting like teachers etc. Shreegurus and Shreeyans danced together creating fun memories to cherish forever.



GANDHI JAYANTI

Gandhi Jayanti is celebrated on 2nd October every year to commemorate the birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi. He is known as the 'Father of the Nation' and fondly called 'Bapu'. On the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti, as is the custom at Gyanshree, an all-faith prayer was conducted in the school followed by a Swatchhta (Cleaning) Activity by all Shreeyans in different parts of the school. The Shreeyans of the Pre-Primary Wing also participated in the 'Clean-Up Activity' by cleaning their classes with much enthusiasm and eagerness. On this occasion the Shreeyans also did Art & Craft activities - Pre-Nursery made Gandhiji's spectacles by pasting shape cut-outs; Shreeyans of Nursery had a colouring sheet of the three monkeys through which they learnt about the value 'बुरा मत बोलो', 'बुरा मत देखो' and 'बुरा मत सोचो'. The Shreeyans of Kindergarten made a 'charkha'. Values that Gandhi ji believed in have relevance even today and are recognized the world over.



PEOPLE WHO HELP US

At Gyanshree we believe in discovering the joy of learning through activities connected to the real world. The theme for the month of October, was 'People Who Help us'. A 'Community Helpers Walk' was organized in the school. Our Shreeyans saw and met various helpers working in the school - teacher, nanny, cleaning staff, guard, doctor, nurse, driver, helper, mechanic, gardener, carpenter, electrician, plumber. The Shreeyans also met few members of the school administration – accountant, transport in-charge, vice principal, principal etc., spoke to them, and learnt about their role in the school. They thanked various helpers by giving them 'Thank You' cards. They made a special 'Thank You' card for their class didi to express their gratitude for all that she does to help them.

A Dress-Up Activity was also conducted in which the Shreeyans were dressed as various community helpers that they had learnt about or see around them. They spoke about who they were dressed as, and also carried their tools as props. This activity enhanced their language skills and helped them to showcase their talent.



FESTIVALS: DUSSEHRA & DIWALI

India is a land of festivals and the month of October was special with Dussehra and Diwali, both being favourites with children. A presentation with narration of the story of 'Ramayana' marked the start of the celebration. As a part of the Dussehra craft activity, Shreeyans of Pre-Nursery and Nursery made 'Ravan' whereas Shreeyans of Kindergarten made a mask of 'Ram ji'.

For Diwali celebration Shreeyans came dressed in traditional Indian attire. There were Diwali Art & Craft activities – diyas made by decorating paper cut-outs with finger printing, colouring & pasting; and paper lanterns and bandhanwars made by cutting and pasting. The teachers and children discussed about the harmful effects of pollution and talked about 'No Crackers'. Shreeyans made posters to spread the message by painting/ pasting red paper strips as a cross on the image of crackers. A special assembly on Diwali was conducted by the Shreeyans of Nursery A and KG A. They danced to Diwali songs. Everyone was encouraged to celebrate a cracker-free Diwali.



Lower Primary Wing

TEACHERS' DAY

According to the Indian calendar, 5th September is dedicated to teachers. It is the birth anniversary of Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, who was a strong believer of education, a scholar, the President of India and above all, a great teacher. The Shreeyans of **Grade II-C** dedicated their assembly to their Shreegurus wherein they mesmerized everyone with their wonderful performance.



WORLD WATER WEEK

Water is a priceless gift. It is the soul of the Earth. The Shreeyans of **Grade II-D** conducted an assembly to spread the awareness about **World Water Week** which was conducted globally from 23rd August to 01st September 2022. The Shreeyans highlighted various ways in which water can be saved at ground level and a difference can be made by everyone. They donned beautiful water droplet crowns and gave an amazing and enlightening performance.



WORLD ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH DAY

The Shreeyans of **Grade II-F and II-G** conducted a special assembly on the occasion of World Environmental Health Day which is celebrated globally, every year on **26th September**. Environmental health is considered as the health issues outside the human body and the environmental factors that can pose a threat to human health in the form of disease and sickness. The Shreeyans made us all think about the issues on hand through their theatrical performance, dance and musical presentations.



THE WORLD OF SHAPES AND PATTERNS

The Shreeyans of Grade II enjoyed making their own patterns through different shapes during their class activity session. They used their imagination and worked out different patterns with their partners. This activity not only helped them understand the concept of shapes and patterns better, but also sharpened their analytical skill.



URBAN AND RURAL AREAS - PBL

The Shreeyans of **Grade I and Grade II** made 3-D models to understand difference between Urban and Rural Areas. They were guided to make the best use of waste material easily available around them. This project-based learning was extremely exciting for them and they learnt to work as a team. The 3-D model was put up for parents during the Open-House (17.09.2022) and was appreciated by one and all.



हिंदी दिवस

‘हिंदी प्रेम की भाषा यही है इसकी परिभाषा’

हिंदी दिवस हर साल १४ सितम्बर को मनाया जाता है। हमारे विद्यालय में १२ सितम्बर से लेकर १६ सितम्बर तक हिंदी सप्ताह मनाया गया। कक्षा १ और कक्षा २ के छात्रों ने कई गतिविधियों में बढ़-चढ़ कर हिस्सा लिया जैसे – चित्रकारी, पहेलियाँ, कहानी, श्लोक नृत्य एवं गायन आदि। हिंदी दिवस मनाए जाने का मुख्य उद्देश्य बच्चों में अपनी मातृभाषा के प्रति सम्मान एवं प्रेम की भावना को स्थापित करना।



TEACHERS' DAY

To express their gratitude and appreciation for their teachers Grade I and II Shreeyans made a thank you card for them on Teacher's day.



SHOW AND TELL

Gyanshree believes in giving confidence and preparing their little ones for a global world. Shreeyans of Grade I were given a minute to talk about their favourite fruit/vegetable. The children threw their fear and hesitation and took to the stage with poise.



HEALTHY WEEK

A healthy diet is rich in fruits, vegetables, and whole grains. To emphasize on healthy eating habits different activities were organized from 12th - 16th September. Shreeyans of Grade I made their own healthy platter, sketched ways in which they could keep their teeth strong and healthy (Dental Hygiene Day), drew a rainbow and wrote different food items with each colour (Eating a rainbow), little chef activity - healthy sandwich. These activities encouraged the Shreeyans to celebrate healthy living and promote healthy eating habits.



Primary Wing

CELEBRATING WITH A DIFFERENCE

Shreeyans of Grade VA celebrated the end of term party on 9 September, 2022 with a difference. The joyful revellers spent some delightful times together and then went on to clean up their class after the party, following the principles of Shramdaan, thereby adding meaning to the celebrations.



PARTNERING WITH OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS

On 13.09.2022 Mike Lardner, Strategy Business Partner, Education Central Management OUP from Oxford Press visited the Gyanshree School – Upper Primary Wing. He interacted with a team of Shreegurus and Shreeyans about using 'Oxford Advantage' for facilitating improved teaching learning situations in the classrooms. Feedback was collected from the Shreegurus for their application and the team interacted with the Shreeyans as well for learning is all about creating a 360 degree experience.

झरोखा-हिंदी दिवस

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LEARNING EVERY DAY!

On 14.09.2022, Shreeyans of Grade VA put up an assembly where they shared about the importance of being open to learning and using the gifts that God has blessed us with. The assembly which was conducted on the day of 'Hindi Diwas' concluded meaningfully with the Principal encouraging each Shreeyan to learn and use all languages with respect, accuracy and love, in her address. The winners of the 1st 'Interschool Open Chess Tournament' and 'Open School Roller Skating Championship -2022' were announced and received accolades.

MAKING EVERY VOTE COUNT!

Shreeyans of Grade III learned about the importance of voting and the process of government formation while participating eagerly in a voting activity in class. They elected their class monitors while mimicking the process of parliamentary elections and were richer for the project based learning experience.



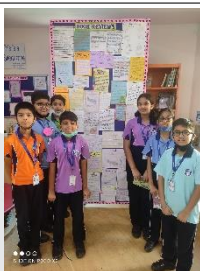
TEACHER'S DAY @ GYANSHREE!

Shreeyans of Grades III –V expressed their heartfelt appreciation and gratitude for their beloved Shreegurus on the occasion of Teachers' Day. The enthusiastic Shreeyans celebrated the special day with great gusto and gaiety as they surprised their teachers with performances and cards as a token of their love and appreciation.



THE BOOK REVIEWERS OF GYANSHREE!

Shreeyans of the Upper Primary Wing were motivated to nurture a deep seated love for reading as they were encouraged to write book reviews for the books that they have been reading and share their experiences with their peers as well. Complimented by storytelling sessions by the librarian, these endeavours will go a long way in creating the readers of today and the leaders of tomorrow.



PREPARING OFFERINGS FOR THE DEITY @ SCHOOL!

Shreeyans of Grade III celebrated 'Ganesh Chaturthi' at school by making and offering sweet coconut ladoos to Lord Ganesha. And the budding Shreeyans surprised one and all with their skill and expertise, enthusiasm and joie de vivre.

REACHING OUT AND MAKING IT COUNT!

This festive season, Shreeyans of the Upper Primary Wing started off their celebrations on a purposeful note by taking part in a community outreach program. Aimed at inculcating a sense of social responsibility in our growing Shreeyans, the donation drive was both successful and meaningful. They sorted, packed and gifted items of everyday use and clothes for the less fortunate, thus spreading light and joy where it is needed most!



SHRAMDAAN – A WAY OF LIFE

To honour the birth month of the Mahatma, Shreeyans of the Upper Primary Wing participated in a 'Shramdaan Activity' with smiling faces and great enthusiasm. The children were engaged in cleaning up the school campus. Aimed at making our Shreeyans independent, all participating Shreeyans pledged to keep their school and surroundings neat and clean.

LEARNING @ SCHOOL - A VISIT TO THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT

Shreeyans of Grades IV and V learnt first-hand about the concept of rain water harvesting when they visited the water treatment plant and the rain harvesting system set up on the school grounds. Their curiosity was ignited even as they took part vociferously in a Q&A session which cast light upon the ways and importance of conserving water.



BRINGING THE DESERT INTO OUR CLASSROOMS!

Shreeyans of Grade V explored and learnt about the climate, vegetation, wildlife and life of people living in different tropical deserts and prepared a project on the same. The dynamic researchers presented their work with self-assurance and pose, a testimony to their grasp of the subject matter.

CELEBRATING 2ND OCTOBER @ SCHOOL...

Shreeyans of Grades IV A, V E and V F presented a special assembly on 29.09.2022 to commemorate the birth anniversary of two of the greatest leaders of our nation, Mohan Das Karam Chandra Gandhi and Lal Bahadur Shastri. The assembly started on an auspicious note with the invocation dance followed by the rendition of the song 'Jaya Jan Bharat.' The Shreeyans then went on to present a theatrical act which showcased how the teachings and the ideologies of the Mahatma continue to be relevant even in today's world and changing times. This was followed by the young dancers putting up a fusion dance on the track 'Namo Namo Bharaambe' followed by the rendition of the hymn, 'Lead Kindly Light'. The Principal then addressed the gathering and emphasized on the importance of upholding the Gandhian principles through our lives and action.



A PLANT'S JOURNEY - FROM SEED TO PLANT!

Shreeyans of Grades V learnt about the process of germination in a group activity and recorded and shared their observations as well. The participating Shreeyans even called the young saplings their extended family, whom they had nurtured and brought to life.

HIBISCUS TALES!

Shreeyans of Grades IV read up about and assimilated about the process of reproduction in plants and the various reproductive parts of a flower. The eager learners did this with the help of a hibiscus flower and drew some beautifully labelled diagrams of the same, which they then explained to their peers, thus becoming mentors for the day!



CITY WALK!

Shreeyans of Grades III acquired an in-depth knowledge about the important cities of India through a collage making activity. They were able to identify and talk about the various aspects that make a city important while presenting their work as well. Kudos to them!

UNDERSTANDING THE SPIRIT OF DUSSEHRA!

In keeping with the spirit of Dussehra, Shreeyans of Grades III made effigies of Ravan with paper cups and wrote one quality that they would like to eliminate from their character, on the cup. They not only got an insight into the negative qualities that the ten heads of the demon king stands for, but also comprehended that the festival is all about celebrating our victory over our innate weaknesses and flaws.



Secondary Wing

DETAILED ASSESSMENT

The Shreeyans of Grade VI to X appeared for the first cycle of the Detailed Assessment in English, Hindi, Maths, Science and Social Studies. Detailed Assessment by Educational Initiatives is a formative assessment programme that helps teachers forecast and support student's performance in school annual exams, external competitive exams and board exams. After each test, the Detailed Assessment Student Report highlights the specific and critical learning gaps that should be addressed before moving on to the next topic. Teachers are able to identify and group students as per their needs and offer the required remedial support. The thought provoking questions help students develop critical thinking skills. The DA tests benefit both educators and students and the real time data helps analyse class and individual progress.

INTER-HOUSE HINDI DEBATE COMPETITION

***'A language is not just words. It's a culture, a tradition, a unification of a community, a whole history that creates a community. It's all embodied in a language.'* – Noam Chomsky**

Hindi is an inseparable part of our identity. Apart from the fact that it is a beautiful language, it is also the second most spoken language in the world.

To honour and celebrate the richness of this language, an Inter-House Hindi Debate Competition was organized at Gyanshree School. The topic for the debate was 'क्या भारत विश्व गुरु बनने की राह पर है?' The judges Ms. Meenakshi Badal, Ms. Saloni and Ms. Jyoti applauded the efforts of the participants and also shared their feedback and observations. Vayu House was declared the winner and Ira Arora and Aanya Chibber were declared the best speakers in the Senior and the Junior category respectively. Our respected principal, Mrs. Brinda Ghosh, congratulated the winners and appreciated the participants for their efforts.

Events like these, not only provide the students with a platform to voice their opinions on pertinent issues, but also instil in them a love for the language.

Sadly, we live in a world where emoji's are rapidly replacing words and one rarely hears Hindi in its pure and uncorrupted form. Therefore, it is time we acknowledge the indispensable role of language in preserving the cultural heritage of our country. Competitions and events such as these are a step in this direction and help children develop interest and take pride in the Hindi language.



RECYCLED CRAFTS

Recycling turns things into other things, which is like magic.

Today's society generates an enormous amount of waste. As a result, recycling has become an essential action to protect the environment. Recycling can take many forms. Though most people will associate recycling with the retrieval of fundamental materials for reuse in manufacturing, it can also be achieved through a variety of creative mediums.

In their endeavour to use resources efficiently and to showcase their creativity, Shreeyans of Grade VI put old newspapers to use and created beautiful African Dolls in their Art Club. These hand painted figurines can be used to decorate and uplift any space.



YEB- AN INITIATIVE BY BITS PILANI

Shreeyans of Grade IX to XII participated in the Youth Entrepreneurship Bootcamp (YEB) organised by BITS Pilani. Rudra and Madhav Arora from Grade XI were selected. Shortlisted students were invited to attend YEB at BITS Pilani. It was a six day programme with focus on innovation and entrepreneurial ecosystem. Students got the opportunity to attend lectures by eminent professors and distinguished alumni and also got hands on experience in high-tech labs. Participating students were given awards and certificates.

LITERACY- EVERYONE'S RIGHT

'Literacy is a bridge from misery to hope' – Kofi Annan

Helping someone to read and write effectively helps in communication and improves the future of everyone in society. Literacy is crucial for economic development as well as individual and community well-being. To spread awareness about the importance of Literacy, a Special Assembly was presented by the Shreeyans of Grade VII. The assembly started with a speech on how 'World Literacy Day' was conceptualised and the role played by UNESCO in promoting literacy. A skit was presented to highlight the need for intensified efforts towards more literate societies. Some problems appear to be so big and overwhelming that they seem almost impossible to solve. But stopping the cycle of illiteracy is one challenge that can be solved- one child and one adult at a time.

WORKSHOP ON ENVIRONMENTAL CONSCIOUSNESS

***"You cannot protect the environment unless you empower people, you inform them, and you help them understand that these resources are their own, that they must protect them."* – Wangari Maathai**

A workshop on creating environmental awareness was conducted at Gyanshree School by Mrs Geetanjali Mehra on the 28th of September, 2022. It was an interesting session attended by the Shreegurus, who were inspired by the ideas put forward in the workshop.

Mrs Geetanjali Mehra and Mr Rohit Mehra are known as Green-Couple of India. They have worked extensively in creating environmental awareness and reducing plastic-pollution. They have planted **250 micro-forests** in urban areas in the last five years, and are known as pioneers of **Vertical-Gardens** with waste plastic in India. They have started the first ever Tree and Plant Hospital of the world, and re-introduced the ancient concept of '**vrikshayurveda**'. They have also revived the concept of plantation through **seed-balls** in India.

Mrs Mehra spoke about all these issues at length and left us with a lot of food for thought. She has promised to conduct another workshop for students soon, where she will teach Shreeyans and Shreegurus how to make and plant seed-balls. Every little effort by each individual will surely make a significant impact and help to contain the damage caused to the environment in recent years.

GANDHI JAYANTI CELEBRATION AT GYANSHREE

***'Our greatest ability as humans is not to change the world; but to change ourselves.'* –**

Mahatma Gandhi

Mahatma Gandhi was the torchbearer of universal goodwill and world peace. His life and principles continue to inspire millions around the world.

To mark the birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, an All Faith Prayer Meeting was organized at Gyanshree School. The rendition of the Sarvadharm Prayer, which espouses the Harmony of Religions, the Unity of all Faiths and the Acceptance of all Approaches and the Ram Dhun resonated in the school campus. Principal, Mrs. Brinda Ghosh, spoke about Gandhiji's message of peace and co-existence which is more relevant today than ever. The Prayer Meeting was followed by a Cleanliness Drive. Shreeyans of Grade VI to XII cleaned their classrooms and the area outside the school building.



A VISIT TO AMAR JYOTI SCHOOL

“Believe you can, and you’re half way there.” – Theodore Roosevelt.

Members of 'Gyanshree Social Service Club' recently visited Amar Jyoti School at Karkardooma, which is dedicated to 'mainstreaming' persons with disabilities. It does this by providing inclusive education, vocational training for self-employment, community-based rehabilitation, barrier-free environment and medical assistance. We look up to people like Dr. Uma Tuli (Founder) and Mrs. Seema Tuli (Principal), of Amar Jyoti School for providing such opportunities and facilities for the students, which will ensure a better future for them.

The visit was very eventful and full of learning for Shreeyans as well as Shreegurus. The students of Amar Jyoti and Gyanshree performed a dance for each other. A friendly basketball match was also conducted between students of the two schools. Shreeyans also made 'rangoli' in collaboration with students of Amar Jyoti. The atmosphere was full of positivity and motivated each one of us to overcome any kind of obstacle in our lives. The students at Amar Jyoti, truly reflect the school's motto- 'Know us for our abilities and not for our disabilities.'



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. Prithvi House got the highest score and was declared the winner of the Competition. Vayu 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.

SPECIAL ASSEMBLY BY GRADE VII

“A country that does not take pride in its language and literature, can never progress.” – Dr Rajendra Prasad.

Hindi is an ancient language that has not only had a tremendous impact on world history but continues to have a tremendous impact on the world today. With our education system drifting rapidly towards the west, there is an urgent need to preserve and promote local languages. To emphasize on the importance of Hindi and other regional languages, a special assembly was presented by the Shreeyans of Grade VII. A skit was presented which highlighted the need to develop apps and software in local languages so that people who are not proficient in English can get equal opportunities to pursue careers of their choice and have a better chance to succeed in their respective fields. The assembly was appreciated by all and reminded everyone how important it is to connect with one's roots.

ASSET TEST FOR GRADE VI TO X

Shreeyans of Grade VI to X appeared for ASSET, a skill-based test that measures students' conceptual understanding and benchmarks the school's performance at international, national and regional levels with actionable insights through easy-to-understand reports. The questions in the test are designed to measure a deeper, more critical understanding of skills and to promote higher-order thinking and inquiry. Based on a child's ASSET score, he/she might get invited for the higher-level test, ASSET Talent Search. ASSET also offers advanced programmes for gifted students.

OPEN HOUSE AT GYANSHREE

The key to success is to focus on goals not obstacles.

A report card describes the level of academic achievement, life skills and social emotional growth that a student has shown over the course of a year. Open House was held at Gyanshree School and report cards and answer scripts were handed over to the parents to communicate to them how the child is doing academically, socially and their life skills. At Gyanshree, it is our endeavour that parents and teachers work together to groom our Shreeyans to succeed in life. Regular feedback and communication between parents and teachers is the only way we can help our children develop holistically and achieve their true potential.

School News



STAFF VISIT TO JEWAR FOREST

There is an urgent need to take environmental responsibility seriously and sustain our environment for future generations. As a part of their commitment to saving the environment, the Shreegurus visited the Jewar Forest. Manohar Van is developed and maintained by the Haldirams Educational Society and is home to numerous indigenous trees and plants. The Shreegurus brainstormed and planned various integrated activities for the Shreeyans with the objective of raising awareness about the environment and making children more sensitive and responsible towards nature.

TEACHER'S DAY CELEBRATION

This year on Teacher's Day, we at Gyanshree, celebrated the most valuable part of the Gyanshree family- our Shreegurus. After two years of online school, this time the celebration was offline.

The Student Council organized a Teacher's Day Special Assembly to pay a tribute to their Shreegurus. It was overwhelming to see the amount of effort put in by the Shreeyans to express their gratitude towards their teachers and make them feel special. The group song, dance and theatre performances were extremely well-coordinated and truly touched everyone's hearts.

Apart from that, our creative Shreeyans came forward and included in the celebration, various new and previously undiscovered elements like Standup Comedy and Beat boxing.

Shreeyans also displayed their wonderful acting skills by impersonating celebrities among whom were Elvis Presley, Mr. Beans and many more. The Bharatnatyam dancers paid tribute to the teachers by dancing on the Guru Vandana. On this occasion, our principal Mrs. Brinda Ghosh expressed her deep appreciation and thanked the students for putting up a wonderful show. She also recalled how her years in the teaching profession and her interactions with young minds have shaped the person she is today.

We all agree that teachers live many lives, play a multitude of roles and the wealth of experiences that they gather along the way enrich their lives in ways no other profession can. After all, teaching is the profession that teaches all other professions.



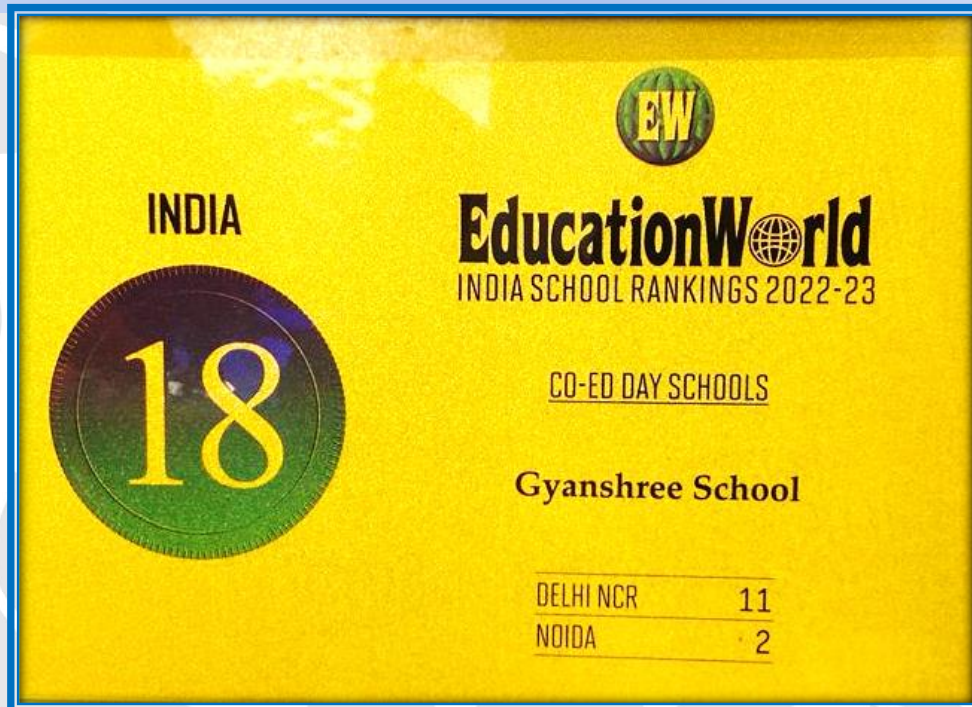
SIMRAN KAUR
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EDUCATION WORLD SCHOOL RANKINGS 2022-23

Education World in association with C fore, presents the Education World India School Rankings (EWISR) 2022-23 that rates and ranks India's best and top schools in over 300 cities. To compile EWISR 2022-23, 11,458 sample respondents — educationists, principals, teachers, SECA (socio-economic category A) parents and senior school students — in 28 cities countrywide were interviewed by 118 C fore field researchers over a period of four months (June-September). Based on the above survey Gyanshree School had following ranks:

- **CO-ED SCHOOLS RANKING**
 - **ALL INDIA RANK 18 (2500 SCHOOLS ACROSS INDIA)**
 - **STATE RANK 11 (289 DELHI/NCR SCHOOLS)**
 - **CITY RANK 2 (30 NOIDA SCHOOLS)**
- **ALL INDIA TOP 10 RANKING**
 - **INFRASTRUCTURE PROVISION RANK 2**
 - **CO-CURRICULAR EDUCATION RANK 5**
 - **SPORTS EDUCATION RANK 8**



Shreeyans' Corner



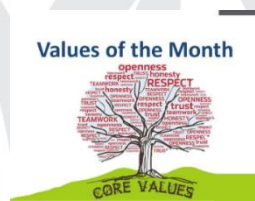
DEALING WITH DISAPPOINTMENTS

If you're afraid of failure, you don't deserve to be successful.

We all experience failure in our life. We think our life has come to an end and feel devastated, angry and traumatized. We blame others for our circumstances and even ourselves. Nowadays when youngsters experience failure or when something doesn't go according to their plan, they start believing it is the end of the world. They lose all hope and feel dejected. They don't think about how their decisions will affect those around them, their loved ones who care for them and want to see them happy.

Life isn't supposed to go according to plans, even for those who are born with a silver spoon in their mouth. Failure is a risky stop where all our lives stop for a bit. We need to learn to deal with disappointments in life because we all are going to face them not once, not twice, but throughout our lives. After all these disappointments bring with them some very valuable lessons of life like gratitude, self - enlightenment and make us a better version of ourselves. Failure is inevitable so instead of sitting and feeling sad about it, get up and try again. Just like Albert Einstein always said, "You never fail until you stop trying".

**OSHI SINGH
VIII**



VALUE OF THE MONTH – GRATITUDE

“Acknowledging the good that you already have in your life is the foundation for all abundance.” – Eckhart Tolle.

You may know the meaning of this nine letter word but do you practice it in your day to day life?

The feeling of 'gratitude' or thankfulness is a very special one. Do you recall, when we were little children we were constantly reminded to say, 'Thank you'. Why was that? The answer seems pretty simple at the moment, to show that we care and appreciate what we have.

Why then does this change when we get older? Why does our habit of expressing gratitude fade away with time? Why do we think whatever is happening and whatever someone is doing for us is bound to happen? Why can't it be out of love and compassion? It seems as if we tend to take a lot of things for granted as we grow older, and do not consider it important to thank the people around us.

Gratitude is a very valuable lesson of life, and if practiced can teach us to have a great and positive attitude towards life. It not only changes our overall perspective towards life but also helps in making us and others around us happier. We never thank our mother enough for settling our rooms. We never thank our father enough for teaching us something new every single time. We never thank our siblings enough for teaching us the art of sharing as well as caring. We never thank the sun and the moon enough for lighting up our days and nights. We never thank God enough for giving us the gift of life. So why don't we promise to cherish all these bundles of joy for the rest of our lives?

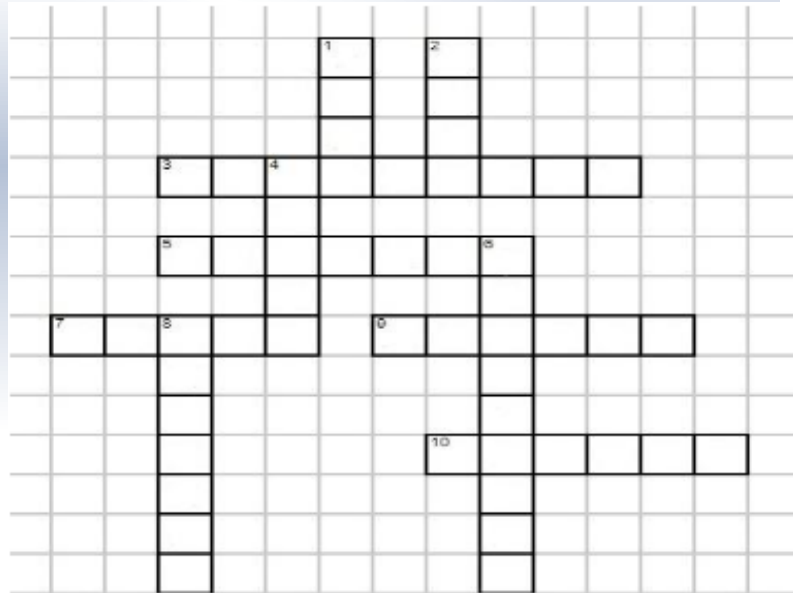
So let's practice these small acts of kindness by saying a simple, "Thank you", "I appreciate what you do", or "I am grateful to have you in my life". All these small acts of selflessness can later be your contribution in making sure the future generations live in a better and more positive world.

**OSHI SINGH
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Across:

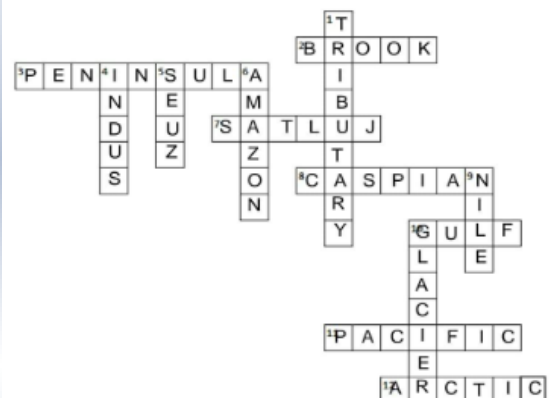
- 3) Its historic sites include Golconda Fort; a former diamond-trading state established as an East India Company trading post, it was India's capital under the British Raj from 1773–1911.
- 5) Home to India's largest cricket stadium- Eden Gardens and originator of delicious food items like- "mishti doi", "machher jhol", "sandesh" etc
- 7) City with India's oldest European church established by the Portuguese. It is also the burial place of Vasco De Gama.
- 9) India's first ever train ran from this city. This city is named after a local patron deity called "Mumba Devi".
- 10) Also known as 'Pink City' due to the red sandstone used in the construction of famous sites such as Hawa Mahal.



Down:

- 1) Second largest city in India which is regarded as the second largest IT hub in India.
- 2) This city is acclaimed for its lavish crafts like Pietra Dura (marble inlay) work, rugs and leather goods, and the delicious 'Petha'.
- 4) The Mughals built many palaces and forts in this city like the Red Fort.
- 6) Largest city in Gujarat and former capital. It is also the twin city of Gandhinagar.
- 8) The Meenakshi temple is located in this city. The oldest jail in India is also situated here.

ANSWER KEY - AUGUST EDITION





DIVIJAA CHAUHAN
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BOOK RECOMMENDATION

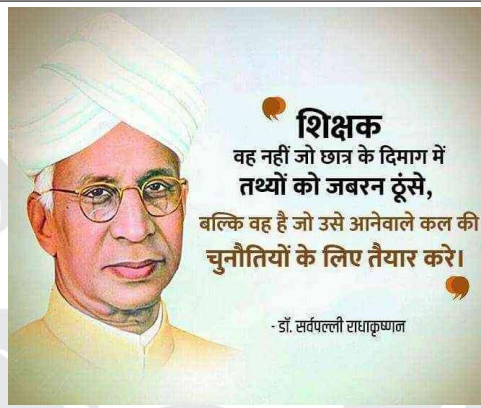
ACROSS THE LINE BY NAYANIKA MAHTANI

"There is no Frigate like a book to take us lands away..."— Emily Dickinson

This historical fiction crosses borders to narrate the tale of two families who meet as a coincidence and recall some old connections while making new ones. Across the Line is a two sided narrative that begins with the small line of division on a map that divided India and Pakistan, and goes on to introduce several beautiful characters with their own outlook on the post partition years. It talks of dreams and passions and curiosities of young hearts and also the compassion, care and empathy for people with older, more experienced hearts.

It is a brilliant, thought provoking book with a few laughs along the way and a beautiful tribute to the survivors of the 1947 partition by the author who herself is quite familiar with their loss and pain. It bluntly talks about prejudices, hatred and countless avoidable errors of the human condition and shares the simple lesson of how it can all still be solved with love and acceptance of our differences. I would recommend this book to all those who are interested in a modern narrative of this massive historical incident through different perspectives from people belonging to both sides of the border, to people who would want to relate to young, open minded souls or even older ones with many beautiful teachings to spare.

MANVI CHATURVEDI
XI



देश के पहले उप-राष्ट्रपति और दूसरे राष्ट्रपति डॉ. सर्वपल्ली राधाकृष्णन का जन्म 5 सितंबर को हुआ था। राष्ट्र के निर्माण में शिक्षकों की भूमिका को वह महत्वपूर्ण मानते थे। उनका विचार था कि वास्तविक शिक्षक वह है, जो छात्रों को भविष्य की चुनौतियों के लिए तैयार करे। निःसंदेह भारत रत्न डॉ. राधाकृष्णन के विचार आज भी प्रासंगिक हैं। बीते सालों में कोरोना महामारी के चलते शिक्षकों के अध्यापन की भूमिका बदली है।

भौतिक कक्षाओं ने ऑनलाइन कक्षाओं का स्थान ले लिया था। पूरे देश में हुए लॉकडाउन के दौरान छात्रों के समक्ष भौतिक शिक्षा न होने के कारण चुनौतियाँ बढ़ गयी थी और इन चुनौतियों को देश के शिक्षकों ने बखूबी स्वीकार किया। भौतिक कक्षाओं की दुनिया से बाहर निकलकर ऑनलाइन कक्षाओं में अध्यापन सफलतापूर्वक कर अपनी जिम्मेदारी को बखूबी निभाया है।

प्रगतिशीलता के इस युग में गुरु-शिष्य की परंपरा बदल गई है। गुरु भी बदले हैं। छात्रों में भी बदलाव आए हैं। फिर भी दोनों के बीच का रिश्ता बहुत नहीं बदला है लेकिन 'जिंदगी की किताब' को पढ़ाने वाले शिक्षकों का सम्मान यूँ ही बना रहा है क्योंकि हर अज्ञान से प्रकाश तक का सफ़र उन्हीं के साथ ही तय किया जाता है।

समाज और सभ्यता के विकास की मूल धुरी शिक्षक हैं। माता-पिता बच्चे को जन्म देते हैं। उस बच्चे में ज्ञान का विकास, माता-पिता नहीं शिक्षक करता है। किसी को डॉक्टर, किसी को इंजीनियर, किसी को वैज्ञानिक, किसी को प्रशासक आदि बनाने का कार्य शिक्षक करता है। चन्द्र गुप्त को "सम्राट चन्द्रगुप्त मौर्य" बनाने वाले उनके साधारण से शिक्षक चाणक्य ही थे। समाज की दूसरी धारा और भाषा के मुहावरे में शिक्षक को गुरु कहा गया। भारत में देव पूजा से भी पूर्व गुरु पूजा की परंपरा प्रारंभ हुई। गुरु को ब्रह्मा, विष्णु और महेश की श्रेणी में रखा गया। पौराणिक युग से लेकर भक्ति काल तक सभी प्रमुख मनीषियों ने गुरु की वंदना की, उसके वर्चस्व के समक्ष नतमस्तक हो गए।

गुरु गोबिंद दोऊ खड़े, काके लागूँ पाय॥

बलिहारी गुरु आपकी, जो गोबिंद दियो मिलाय॥

श्रीगुरु डॉ. भावना शर्मा



Laurels



✚ On 03.09.2022 and 04.09.2022, Advit Arya of IV D participated in Boys singles 'Under 11 District Badminton Championship - 2022' organized by Noida & Gr Noida District Badminton Association (Regd), affiliated to the Unit of U.P. Badminton Association. From the group of 64, he made it to a group of 8 i.e. to the quarterfinals.



✚ Miraya Slathia of V D participated in the VI Parul Puri Memorial Interschool Competition in Lotus Valley School. A confident orator, she did the school proud by reciting a self-composed poem – 'A Broken Planet.' Kudos to the young achievers!



✚ The Chuckerbutty Memorial Debates was held at The Doon School, Dehradun from 21st October to 23rd October 2022. Jessica Preet of Grade XI, Wania Rizvi and Aditya Bansal of Grade XII participated in this prestigious event. The competition was conducted in the World School Debating Championship format. Jessica was awarded the Best Speaker for round 4 and the Most Promising Speaker for Rounds 1, 2 and 3. Wania was awarded the Best Speaker for Round 3 and Most Promising Speaker for Round 4. Aditya Bansal got a special mention by the Jury. It was a great experience for our Shreeyans who were able to hone their debating skills through such a platform.



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