



## GEOFEST

Humankind has not woven the web of life. We are but one thread within it. Whatever we do to the web, we do to ourselves. All things are bound together; all things connect. Indeed, even our smallest of unthought actions can have catastrophic effects on the environment and the smallest of steps taken in the right direction have the power to turn the world upside down.

Keeping the same in mind, Geofest 2014 was organized by CMS School, Lucknow from 8 November to 11 November 2014. A delegation of six students from our school accompanied by their teacher coordinator Ms. Gunjan Chawla attended the event. Students indulged in activities ranging from Collage and Cartoon Making to Web Designing and Debate. They also presented conspicuous and breathtaking models on themes such as 'Promoting use of renewable energy' and 'My Modern Eco-Friendly Dream House'. The event was successful in its endeavour to sensitize the students about the need to save our ailing Earth.

Jharna Singhal and Naina Gandhi won the consolation prize in Geo-toons while the work and effort of the other students was praised and appreciated by all. The students returned home elated with beautiful memories and the indomitable will to do their bit to save the Earth.



**Our enthusiastic participants at GEOFEST 2014**

## EUREKA INTERNATIONAL



**Our fervent participants at Eureka International Educational and Cultural Festival**



**Adding another feather to the cap - Our winners at the 10th Eureka International Educational and Cultural Festival.**

Education is a continuous and creative process that brings out the vast potential inherent in each child. To further enhance and exhibit the talent of our students, a team of 10 students attended the 10th Eureka International Educational and Cultural Festival organised by City Montessori School, Lucknow. Our fervent students of classes V and VIII participated in a plethora of activities namely Dramatics, Cultural Dances, Media Reportage, Quiz, Pop Art and Multi Media. They showcased their art in the best possible way. Our meritorious students bagged the first position in Dramatics and second position in Cultural dance. Our team of primary students cracked the preliminary round of Media Reportage. Such international events give exposure to the students thus developing their confidence, understanding and patience. The students who participated in the event were Nehal Jodia, Pranjal Kaushik, Niharika Khurana, Sakshi Bansal and Mahika Gupta of class V and Sudiksha, Nida Siddiqui, Kritika Grewal, Ananya Nayak, Pranjal Sehrawat of class VIII.



## SPELL VOCAB

Vocabulary learning is a vital part of education and has to be nurtured from the grassroots level. Keeping this in mind, our school organized a Spell Vocabulary Competition for class IV on 23 September 2014 and for class V on 24 September. To celebrate the beauty of words, the students of class I had the same event on 26 November 2014 and class II and III on 27 November 2014. It enabled the students to enjoy a formal but fun vocabulary quiz. The children got a chance to test their knowledge and learn something new at the same time. Students got an opportunity to unscramble words, spell them and guess them through clues given using their intellect. These brain teasers for the little ones helped them learn in a fun-filled way.



**Winners of the Spell Vocab Quiz for class IV.**

## AURA-2014

"Believe you can and you are halfway there."

The students of our school kept this quote by Roosevelt in their heart and mind when they participated in AURA 2014, an Inter-school Competition organized by Maharaja Agarsain Public School, Ashok Vihar on 1 November, 2014. Several students from class II to class XI participated in various events. Our students made us proud by



**Our young paladins at AURA 2014 organized by Maharaja Agarsain Public School.**

winning many prizes. Anshula Banerjee of class II E participated in Green Pret-A-Porter (Fancy Dress Competition) and won the third prize. Mihika Bhatia (III A) and Sakshi Shukla (IV A) participated in Earthy Venture (A Photomontage). Nirvani Gautam (V D) participated in Math-E-Sports and won the third prize. Ashmita (VI A), Harshita Kohli (VI A), Diya Anand (VI B) and Andri Joshi (VI B) participated in Marionette Colosseum (A Puppet show) and won the first prize. Ritika Saha (VII B) and Sneh Matta (VII B) participated in Toon Planet (Comic Animation) and won the third prize. Our graceful Ballet dancers, Saloni Arora, Ashneet Kaur and Akansha Bhardwaj of class VIII B swayed to the soulful music and won the first, second and third prize respectively in the Event- Voice of Youth. Eva (VIII B), Sanya Arora (VI A) and Hrishti Singh (VI E) also participated in the same event. The students of class X had a learning experience while participating in the Event- Yuva Shakti (Play enactment). Our senior students of class XI had a brain-storming session during the group discussion in the event-My Opinion and Consumerism.



## WAR AND PEACE

### PICTURE ESSAYS ON WAR

The students of class X of our school participated in an activity where they prepared Picture Essays on Wars and Their Impact On the World. The students worked in groups and online research work was done on wars and their implications on the people. It was an enriching activity for the students as they learnt about the futility of wars and their disastrous effects on the life of the people.



**Students learning about the futility of wars through a Picture Essay Activity.**

### EXHIBITION ON WAR AND PEACE

It is quite ironical that-'The purpose of all War is Peace.'

On 29 November 2014, our school organized a Social Science Exhibition titled –'War and Peace'. Through this exhibition, the school aimed to exhibit all the wars around the world that have shaped the course of history and our world as we know it today. The esteemed guests at the exhibition were Mr.T P Aggarwal, the founder Chairman of the school, Ms. Anjali Aggarwal, the school's Chairperson and Mr Rahul Aggarwal, the school's Manager. In colourful attire, the students danced with great vigour as they declared that the brave are surely those who have the clearest vision of what lies before them- Glory and Death! After this captivating dance performance, the esteemed guests and parents were taken on a round of the school premises where 23 rooms covered various themes related to war and peace such as the Kalinga War, the Roman Wars, the French Revolution, the Asian Wars, World War I and II, the Cold War, etc. The enlightening round began with the courtyard where the students had tried to answer the intriguing question – 'Why are wars fought?' Each room at the exhibition was a visual delight that offered the visitors food for thought as they learnt about the Caliphates and the Crusades, the Spanish and Asian Invasions. Colourful depictions of American Hegemony and Contemporary Wars set their minds ticking while dramatizations of various historical events thoroughly entertained them as well as educated them. As the guests took rounds of rooms based on terrorism and the drug wars, they realized how true conflict has been brought to our very own doorsteps. The Exhibition-'War and Peace' was truly successful as it taught all to aim for the understanding that brings peace and not the peace that passes understanding.



**An exhibition on all the wars around the world that have shaped the course of history and our world.**



Our Esteemed guest delving deep in the glory of the past at our SST Exhibition - War and Peace.



Spectators relishing the exhibits of the past as well as enactments that add to their knowledge.



Students reiterating the fact that - 'Peace Is Always Beautiful' at the SST Exhibition.



**Our fervent historians ready to impart the information regarding their subject.**



**Our zealous actors performing their respective roles to leave an indelible impact on the viewers.**



**Our students putting their best foot forward during the exhibition.**



## PRO TSAHAN

"The sole purpose of life is not just being happy. It also counts to be compassionate and to have it make some difference that you lived and lived well." It is rightly said that one shouldn't just wait for miracles to happen. Taking charge and initiating change is what fills oneself and the world with hope. This November, our students invited parents from the EWS category to take part in a crafts workshop. They were helped to hone their creative skills and learnt to make various handicrafts like folders, cushion covers, etc. They were further encouraged to make the best out of the given material and fabricate many such articles. These artefacts were then put up for sale by the school business team, Protsahan Enterprises.



**Our parents who are stake holders making items for Protsahan Enterprises.**



**Our fervent entrepreneurs making items out of waste material.**

## FOLK DANCE PRESENTATION

It is said, "When you dance, your purpose is not to get to a certain place on the floor; it is to enjoy each step along the way." To prove this right, the enthusiastic Sapling students of our school presented before the audience different folk dances of India and enjoyed themselves to the fullest. The tiny tots presented a colourful variety of dances like Tribal dance by Sapling A, Gujrati by Sapling B and Himachali by Sapling C. The Bengali dance by Sapling D, Goan by Sapling E and Kalbeliya by Sapling F scintillated the audience. The air was charged and the atmosphere became electric as the auditorium reverberated with the cheering and applause of the audience. The event proved to be a great success and in the end our Principal Ms. Sheena Kalenga congratulated and blessed the students for their efforts and for putting up a great show.



**Our toddlers tapping their feet to an African tune.**



**Our little ones presenting Kalbeliya in front of an excited audience.**



Our little cherubims tapping their feet to folk beats.

## INTER SCHOOL FRENCH POETRY RECITATION COMPETITION

On 27 November 2014, our school's students bagged four trophies, thus proving their mettle in the field of 'French Poetry Recitation Competition'. Students of classes VII, VIII and IX participated in this Inter School Competition, giving an extremely tough competition to the other teams. More than 20 schools participated in the event. A renowned team of judges which included teachers from different Universities and institutes presided over the event. Our students bagged the following prizes.

Name	Class	Position
Karman Nagpal	VII	I
Saima Khan	VIII	III
Vidisha Nirmal	IX	II
Arpanpreet kaur	IX	I



Jubilant winners of the French Poetry Recitation Competition.

## COLLECTION FOR KASHMIR FLOOD



"A kind gesture can reach a wound that only compassion can heal....."

We all are aware of the severe floods in Jammu and Kashmir, and the upcoming winters are only going to add to this calamity. Thus, our school in collaboration with Goonj contributed for RAHAT FLOODS. Students and teachers of our school donated all necessary and urgent requirements for millions of flood affected people. The donations included woollens, basic medicines, utensils, buckets etc. Also, our teachers donated one day's salary as monetary contribution for the affected people. One hopes that this little effort made by the SMGS family will be helpful to the victims of the flood.

Young philanthropists contributing for RAHAT FLOODS.



# DISNEY: FRIENDS FOR CHANGE

## CLEANLINESS DRIVE



**Sensitizing people regarding cleanliness are the students of our school.**

On 2nd October, the students of our school joined in Prime Minister, Mr Modi's 'SWACHCH BHARAT' campaign wherein they enthusiastically participated in the movement by picking up litter, sweeping up dirt on the streets in the vicinity and interacting with the people around. The rally was taken out to make a social campaign of a filth-free India successful and to undo India's reputation of poor public hygiene. Our Vice Principal Ms Sabina Shergill addressed the students making them realise that today's youth can make a real difference in keeping the city and the nation clean. She rightly said that 'our clean environment is our passport to a brighter future.'

## YOGA SESSION

"Yoga is like music; the rhythm of the body, the melody of the mind and the harmony of the soul that creates the symphony of life."

It is truly said that a balance between the mind and the body is good enough to curb the inner as well as the outer pollution. Only yoga can successfully re-educate the twenty-first century mind and reveal the deeper qualities of peace, love, tolerance, acceptance and understanding which have become buried deep underneath the debris of selfishness and desire. Our school commemorated this art by inculcating this ideal in the 'Disney: Friends for Change' program. The students of our school united with the community people and taught them a few yoga positions. The community people participated in the event whole - heartedly and took a pledge to practice yoga everyday. This venture by the school ended on a good note and all those who were involved added a few more years to their lives.



**An enriching Yoga session in progress.**



**Making nests for the little birdies are our young eco friendly students.**

## BIRD HOUSE MAKING ACTIVITY

"In order to save the birds it is necessary to become a part of the silence."

Our school organized a Bird House Making Activity under the 'Disney: Friends for Change Program' on 18 November 2014. The students of class IX made beautiful and cozy nests for the birds using nothing but recyclable material. Their simple wish was to protect the birds in the environment. The people of the community also shared their views and joined this venture by helping the students make the nests. This activity was another endeavour by the school to encourage the students to preserve and care for nature.





## CLEANLINESS RALLY

"Protect nature and nature will protect you."

Walking on the footsteps of this ideal, the students of our school, accompanied by Ms. Shruti on 28 October 2014, visited GH 5 & 7 in Meera Bagh for a rally. The school has been chosen by Disney to develop the provisions of a nearby park. It was a proposal by the school students to make the residents of the place aware about how they could help in keeping the park neat and clean. This was done by conversing with the residents and showcasing banners. Furthermore, they distributed bookmarks to the people as a symbol of this initiative. It turned out to be a learning endeavour, and also they climbed another step in the whole project.



**Our young enthusiasts walking down the streets create an awareness for cleanliness.**

## TRIPS AND VISITS

### TRIP TO RANTHAMBHORE

A group of 62 students of classes VI, X and XI along with 5 teachers and our Vice Principal Ms. Sabina Shergill went to Ranthambhore National Park on a 4-day trip organized by the Edterra group. The students visited the National Park twice where they saw various animals in their natural habitat. A visit to the famous Ranthambhore Fort helped them learn about its historic significance. They also visited Dastkaar-an NGO supporting rural women in promoting handicrafts. Various fun-filled activities were organized for them by the EdTerra group which made the trip a memorable one for them. Overall, it was an enriching experience for the students which added great wealth to their treasure of fond memories.



**Our fun loving students enjoying themselves in Ranthambhore.**

### TRIP TO AGRA

"It's better to see something once than to hear about it a thousand times."

Every expedition made is an experience which leaves students pondering and implores them to think. The students of classes IV and V of our school went on an educational trip to Agra on 14 and 15 September 2014. They explored all the nooks and crevices of the city and then got the amazing opportunity to gape at the mesmerizing beauty of the architectural wonders of the late Mughal emperors. The famous Taj Mahal, the Agra Fort and Fatehpur Sikri managed to leave the little ones in awe of the grandeur of our cultural heritage. They also performed various



activities at the monuments which helped them learn about their historical background. Visiting the Taj Mahal is on the wish list of many and our students were fortunate enough to strike off this wish from their lists at such a young age.



**The excited students posing for a picture with the Taj in the background.**

## VISIT TO ITALY

A delegation of 11 students of classes X and XI of our school, escorted by their teacher coordinator, Ms. Anjali Handa visited Italy from 27 September to 8 October 2014. These students have been working actively in online Global Projects on the platform of ASEF Class Net and had been invited for a Homestay Exchange Programme by 3 schools, namely, I.I.S. Galilei-Vetrone in Benevento, Istituto Tecnico Industriale in Colleferro and Istituto Tecnico Statale in Trieste. The main aim of this face-to-face exchange programme was to promote inter-culturalism and global understanding among the students. Through this exchange, our students got an opportunity to communicate and collaborate with the Italian students as well as gain expertise on each other's educational system. They got acquainted with various aspects of the Italian culture and tradition through group discussions, presentations, sports activities, dance and musical recitals, and a guided tour of Venice, Trieste, Benevento, Naples, Colleferro, Gorga, Rome and Vatican City. They were accompanied by their hosts and teacher coordinators, Ms. Cristina Simeoni, Ms. Maria Antonietta Sessa, Ms. Daniela Ianni and Ms. Anna Dello Iacono. They even got a chance to meet the Mayor of Trieste, Mr. Cosolini, in the Town Hall. The homestay programme of our students with Italian families taught them tolerance and discipline, and further developed in them a sense of mutual respect. This Cultural Exchange programme has not only strengthened our relationship with the Italian schools, but has also created a bond between the people of the two nations.



**Our student delegates with their peers in Italy, enjoying their visit.**