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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK...

It all starts with a clenched fist, a rustic ship and scattered shards of a broken chalice of unfulfilled promises. They say resilience is an acquired skill, only men and women with great fervour contained within them can display. But the truth remains that men and women with unbridled passion and great fervour display resistance, defiance. At frequent intervals of- what you will discover to be the most diabolical villain of the universe- time, you will be told that you have to blend in to survive and those who tell you otherwise are naive; that you have to stop your 'frivolous' attempts of eliminating injustice from the social structure you are a part of; that you have to succumb to the life course everyone has laid out for you or else you become a vagabond. Note here that while conformity isn't a principle that should be wildly condemned, it isn't a principle that should be ardently condoned either. If you have even a miniscule piece of the thought of- "I want to save the world" in your conscience, preserve it. Do not let the embers ignited by indignation against the wrong that the others did, die out because of the chiming whistles of those who never had light underneath their skin. Now this isn't an idle letter to those with

unclenched fists and the sole ambition to complete their time due here without disrupting the work of the celestial; this isn't another one of those messages penned down by the young blinded by rage that gets blown away to naught after the stormy winds of monsoon stirred by youth, settle down; this is a reassurance- not out of pity, but out of faith- to all those who are in hope of changing the world, even if it's just their own – You Can.

IBAADAT 2015



Getting ready to delve into the depths of spirituality at 'Ibaadat 2015'.

Amlani, the President of the Restaurant Association of India. Our Principal, Ms. Sheena Kalenga proposed the vote of thanks.

Our school organized a Cultural Fiesta - Ibaadat on 17 December 2015 in the pursuit to make a prayer to the heavens above to bestow its beneficence upon our school and each family that is attached with us. The students enthralled the audience with their scintillating performances. The depths of spirituality, inner state of mystical love and the unity of being were explored through soulful dances and qawalli performances. The rising star of the Indian Cine world, Ms. Shriya Saran lent further glitter to the occasion with her benign presence. It was also an honour to have the ambassador for luxury brands in India, Ms. Sonalika Sahay and Mr. Riyaz

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CELEBRATIONS

CHRISTMAS

Christmas was in full swing among Saplings. Children were dressed in colourful clothes for their Christmas party. They enjoyed playing many games like passing the parcel, running to their favourite symbol and danced on their favourite tunes. A magic show was arranged and smiles could be seen on the children's faces. Last but not the least, the most awaited attraction of the party was the arrival of Santa Claus. Seeing him, children got absolutely excited. He distributed sweets and gifts to children and thereafter danced to the tunes of Christmas Carols. Indeed, it was a fun-filled and mesmerising day.



A festive spirit, a genuine smile.

REPUBLIC DAY



Identity is a multi-faceted concept. An individual does not just belong to people, he belongs to places too, most importantly, to his nation. So, to keep the spirit of nationalism alive, it is important to celebrate the nation.

Patriotic fervour gripped the students of our school as the 67th Republic Day was celebrated with great zeal and enthusiasm. The celebrations were marked with the unfurling of the tricolour by our Principal Ms. Sheena. It was followed by the rendition of patriotic songs by the students. The whole atmosphere was full of patriotism.

Celebrating 67 years of democratic brilliance.



ACTIVITIES AND COMPETITIONS

INTACH'S FILM-IT APPRECIATION CEREMONY



INTACH felicitating our students for honest creative expression.

Under INTACH'S Film-It program, the students of our school made a number of documentaries on the Art and Heritage of our country India. To acknowledge the work done by various students, INTACH organized an Appreciation Ceremony. A group of six students attended the ceremony. A few documentaries were presented and our documentary 'Visit to a Blacksmith' was also shortlisted to be a part of it. Arikta Baul shared her experience with the esteemed guests. The students were appreciated with certificates. They bagged the Best Screenplay for the documentary 'Post Office' and the Best Original Documentary for 'Visit to a Blacksmith'.

RANG MAHOTSAVA

"Every child is an artist."

Based on this thought, our school gave an opportunity to the little ones to participate in an event specially designed for bringing out the artist in them. The school organised Rang Mahotsava (Art Event)- both for the students and teachers on 4th December 2015. All the students from classes I to IV were given two topics – "World under water" or "Happiness is..." Their creativity proved to be boundless. Art never expresses anything but itself. It was exhilarating to see the happiness and enthusiasm of the students lost in materializing their imagination and giving it a structure and form on paper. They were able to give wings to their thoughts which uplifted their curious souls to a great extent. The event was thoroughly enjoyed by both the students and the teachers who depicted their emotions brilliantly.



Giving expression to their imagination.



GANITOTSAVA

On 18th Dec 2015, our students participated in 'Ganitotsava 2015-16' organised by CRPF Public School, Dwarka, in which over 25 schools participated in a numbers of events. Students from our school enthusiastically participated in all these events and won prizes. Sharvi Sharma of Class VIII bagged the II position in 'Voice Your Opinion'. Mehak of Class IX and Gunjan of Class X won the I position in the 'Puzzle Playground' event.



Honours bestowed upon our students for their inventiveness.

10TH INTERNATIONAL INNOVATION DAY

"Ignited minds are the most powerful resources compared to any resource on the earth, above the earth and below the earth." The golden words of President A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, 11th President of India stand tall against the test of time. Sharing these thoughts and conforming to the values the great luminary had for future India, City Montessori School, Jopling Road branch organised the 10th International Innovation Day on 31st October 2015 in which an enthusiastic team of our school participated with great vigour. The event had different contests like Essay writing, Poster making, Photography, Cartoon Art, Portrait, Drawing Contest, Calligraphy Contest where all entries were sent through post under three categories. Our students participated with a lot of zest. The students of our school were adjudged winners in several contests. The list of the winners is as follows-First prizes were bagged by Yukta Goel of XI-A in Poster Making Contest and Jharna Singhal of XI-A in Collage Making Contest. Second prizes were bagged by Muskan Ahuja of XII-B in Essay Writing, Sehajpreet Kaur of X-B in Photography Contest, and Tezal of XI-A in Calligraphy Contest. Third prize was bagged by Unnati of VI B in Poster Making. Anchal Vashist of IX A and Jasmine Kukreja of XII-B won a Special Prize in Photography Contest.

ON THE SPOT ART AND PAINTING COMPETITION

St. Mark's Sr. Sec. Public School organized the "On the spot Art and Painting Competition" on 06 Feb'16 at their premises. 42 students of our school from classes 4th to 11th participated in this colorful extravaganza. Our young students expressed themselves brilliantly on paper as well as on canvas in accordance with their topics. The students of the senior wing got the opportunity to present one of the traditional art forms- "Alpana" and they won a prize for the same.



Their hands create magic.



CITATION CEREMONY

Our school bid farewell to its outgoing batch- the Class of 2016 on 12 February 2016. The Citation Ceremony marked the release of this flock of birds with multi hued feathers into the vast world of competition, career and family life. The students of this brilliant batch and their parents shared their thoughts on the closure of the most important episode of their life- the school life. Our Principal, Ms. Sheena Kalenga blessed the students and wished them luck for all their efforts. A short presentation on their journey so far left everyone in the school overwhelmed. The students of class XI gave a fitting farewell to their seniors through a medley of songs and dance. A river of vivid emotions and torrential memories gripped every student as they left the portals of their alma mater.



Students of Class XI entertaining their seniors and making the day special for them.



A token of remembrance for the 14 year long journey.

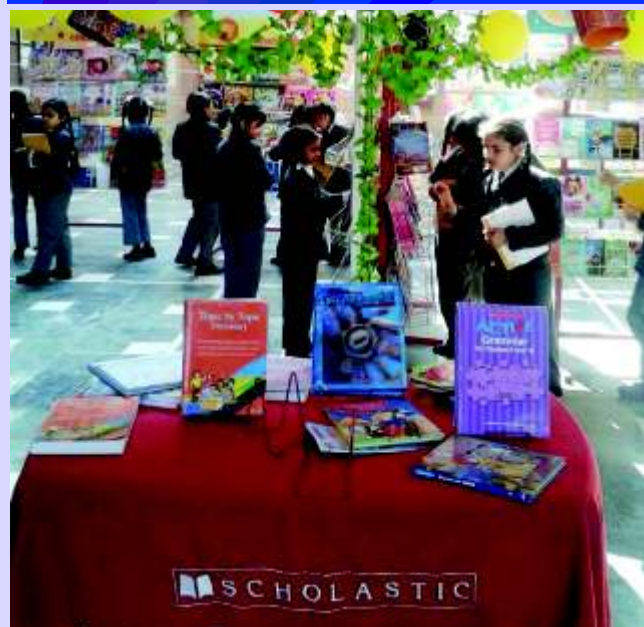
THINK AND LEARN CHALLENGE

The human mind is an insatiable beast which does not understand the language of blandness. Like a sword needs to be sharpened time and again, our mind needs to be challenged at regular intervals to prevent it from turning dull. Thus, our students participated in the "Think and Learn Challenge" initiated by TOI. Harshpreet K. Hunjan, a student of 9th standard of our school, participated in the school level round of The Times of India Mental Aptitude Test. Out of the many students who participated, she was the school topper. On 31st January, she received a tablet and a certificate.



Think & Learn, and Win.

BOOK FAIR



Books are your best friends.

A book fair was organised by 'Scholastic' from 1 to 6 February 2016 in the school premises to inculcate a reading habit in the students. It saw an overwhelming response from the students and parents who had come to attend the PTM. A wide range of books from all disciplines of education was displayed, and fiction saw the greatest takers. Interestingly, the junior wing was very enthusiastic in buying different kinds of books. A lucky draw was organised by the scholastic group for book lovers. The winner was Monica of Class VII.



EK MUTHI ANAJ

The great vices of the world are not the same as they used to be. Now, they're guided by a more terrifying reality- that of poverty, hunger and negligence. In an endeavour to create a kinder world, our school has started 'Ek Mutthi Anaaj' which is an initiative to help the people in need. This project aims at collecting grains and vegetables and donating it to blind schools, orphanages and old age homes. Students of Class V visited a blind school in Nangloi on 11 February 2016 to donate and help the children who smile wide at the slightest hint of generosity. They interacted with the children there and spent some quality time with them.



Our youthful students making their contribution to enliven our social structure.

SPIC MACAY ODISSI DANCE RECITAL

Under the aegis of SPIC MACAY, our school organised an Odissi Dance Recital by Ms. Kavita Dwibedi on 5 February 2016 in the school auditorium. A Society for the Promotion of Indian Classical Music and Culture Amongst Youth - SPIC MACAY is India's largest voluntary non-profit movement founded in the year 1997 by Dr. Kiran Seth. Through focus on the classical arts, SPIC MACAY seeks to facilitate an awareness of their deeper and subtle meaning and values to students.

The mesmerising performance by Ms. Kavita Dwibedi in the form of Lecture-Demonstrations was an eye opener for students as well as teachers. Daughter and disciple of Odissi maestro Guru Harekrishna Behera, Kavita Dwibedi is one of the leading exponents of Odissi dance in India today. She is a Post Graduate in Sociology from Delhi University and holds Visharad (B.A) in Odissi dance from Gandharva Mahavidyalay. The show became a success due to the efforts made by SPIC MACAY, the faculty coordinator and the student coordinators.



The grace of classical dancers never ceases to amaze



INTER HOUSE SCIENCE QUIZ (Classes III - V)

Our school organized an Intra-Class Science Quiz for Class III – based on Animal Kingdom, and for Class IV and V – Plant Kingdom. There were six rounds in total. The quiz was very interesting and informative. Participants actively took part in the quiz and were throughout enthusiastic. It enhanced the knowledge of the students regarding varied areas of plant and animal kingdoms. It was enjoyed by both- the participants as well as the audience.



Rejuvenating the enthusiasm for learning.

INTER HOUSE MATHS QUIZ

"Without mathematics there is nothing you can do. Everything around you is mathematics. Everything around you is numbers."

Rightly said by- Shakuntala Devi, the great mathematician. Keeping the love for numbers alive, our school organized an Inter House Maths Quiz for classes 6 to 8. The mind boggling rounds of the quiz tested the analytical skills, proficiency and aptitude of the students. All rounds were keenly contested by the students with great enthusiasm and zeal. Questions were also put to the audience and their involvement was remarkable. The winners were awarded certificates.



Our exquisite Mathematicians in action.



QUIZ AT THAI EMBASSY

"Every accomplishment starts with the decision to try."

Quizzes and puzzles have an edge to them that very few other academically inclined activities have. There's an atmosphere of thrill and competition, and the compulsive desire to win engulfs not only the participants but also the audience.

Drishti Sabharwal, a student of 10th standard of our school, participated in a quiz which was conducted by the Thai Embassy. Out of hundreds of participants she was ranked 18th. The Royal Thai Ambassador, His Excellency Mr. Chalit Manityakul, congratulated and presented awards to her at his residence. She was guided by her teacher Ms. Arpita Bose Dutta. It was a glorious moment for our school with another achievement falling into our pocket.



An interesting cultural exchange with the Thais.

SCIENCE EXHIBITION BY CBSE



Dreaming to create a better tomorrow.

CBSE has been taking many initiatives to provide a forum for children to pursue their natural curiosity and inventiveness. One such initiative is organizing the Science Exhibition. The aim of this activity is to help students analyze how Math and Science have developed and are affected by many diverse cultures and societies. Students of our school participated in this event keenly. The theme of the exhibition was 'Science and Mathematics for inclusive development'. Ayushi Mathur and Bhumika Manocha of class XI prepared a model on 'Importance of Yoga for a healthy life'. They explained about the different types of yoga and asanas through charts and models. Esha Jain and Kamakshi Shukla presented the concept of 'Smart City' with the use of linear programming. Maxima & Minima 146 models were displayed at DAV Public School, Shreshtha Vihar. Participation in this event inspired students to devise innovative ideas.

68th NATIONAL DAY OF SRI LANKA

Sri Lankan Embassy to India celebrated its 68th National Day on 4 February 2016. The esteemed event was attended by our Vice Principal Ms Sabina Shergill along with our Global Coordinator Ms Vaneet Kaur and Ms Ruchika Nahani. It was a moment of honour and pride for the representatives of the school to meet His Excellency Sir Esala Weerakoon, the High Commissioner of Sri Lanka to India. The event was witnessed by many esteemed guests like Mr Mani Shankar Aiyar, Mark Tully and the ambassadors of different countries.



A kodak moment with His Excellency, Sir Esala Weerakoon.