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EDITORIAL

World peace is an idea simple in principle but difficult to achieve. The international scenario is unlikely to hearten a lover of humanity. Nations plead for harmony and prepare for war; people talk about brotherhood and turn a blind eye towards giving up the thoughts that lead to strife. Kennedy imperatively said, "Mankind must put an end to war or else war will put an end to mankind." Though there has been no end to the intermittent feuds, the constant endeavour to establish concord seems promising. The practice of fostering it begins at home. World peace would be inevitable if we are willing to accept the world as our family. Family members do quarrel every now and then, yet the bitterness doesn't last very long. We might not be at best terms with our neighbour but the least we can do is to understand each other's perspective, respect it and live peacefully. The dispositions of unity and amity lead to the greater good and gives way to prosperity and happiness. We ought to think of earth as a single entity rather than a mere collection of several disassociated units. Our little contributions can help the world, so why not join hands and make it a better place to live in.

SRISHTI – THE WORLD

The Social Science Exhibition – 'Srishti'-The World, held on 12.11.2011, was graced by dignitaries like Mr. H.K. Pandey, Education Officer, Zone 17; Ms. Antonia Grande, Dy. Director, (Italian Embassy, Cultural section); Mr. Ozgur Ayturk, Culture and Tourism Counsellor, Turkish Embassy, who applauded the efforts of the students. This exhibition was planned with the aim of promoting the prosperity of all cultures and customs and was also an attempt to teach students about the diversity of human society. The exhibition was an amalgamation of different cultures of the states of our country as well as of other nations.



Amalgamation of dances

The stage was set for this confluence by our young dancers who presented a symphony of various dances like Bharatnatyam, Kathak and Manipuri as well as folk dances of Italy and Turkey, right at the entrance of our school.



Chief Guest Mr. H.K. Pandey escorted by Chairman and members of Management Committee

Class I students presented the vibrant colours of the festivals of India and equally radiant places of worship. Whether it was a church, a mosque, a gurudwara or a temple, the aura created was mesmerizing. Classes II, III and IV took the visitors on a tour of incredible India right from its crown, Jammu and Kashmir to God's own country, Kerala. The panoramic beauty of various states, their culture, handicrafts, monuments etc. was depicted in full fervour and flavour. Srishti was not just about showcasing India and its culture, we also ventured out to familiarize ourselves with other countries. Students of classes V to VII got to learn about some prominent nations like USA, UK, Turkey, China, Netherlands, Italy and Mexico. Interesting features, World Heritage Sites, important destinations, their history through models, posters and enactments were some of the excellent tools used. Then there was History – the royal era of the Mughals, the Delhi Sultanate, the Mauryan Empire and the nationalist movements were showcased by the students of classes VII and VIII. Where on one hand the Judiciary and General Elections were brought alive by the students of class IX, class X depicted the various political parties and their role in democracy, at the same time paying homage to the armed forces who protect us. The various revolutions that affected the world were presented by the students of class X. Major world events of the last century were presented by the students of class XI. From the darkest periods of the 20th century, including the two World Wars, to a 3D display of the first landing on the moon, the informative displays gave extensive information of an entire century. Keeping pace with the current world, various international organizations and their working was also depicted and social evils which plague our society were aptly depicted.



The Chinese Dance by Class V



A Shabad Recital by the young 'Pathis' of Class I

The economic trends of the world and the current status of the booming economies of China and India were displayed by class XII students and they also presented Democracy in Action. The icing on the cake was all the folk dances and songs presented by the young students of the primary section in the school ground. The dances were from many states of India, from Kashmir to Tamil Nadu and Gujarat to Bengal . The melodious singers captivated everyone with their rendering of Bhojpuri, Awadhi, French, English and Mexican songs. The exhibition was a grand show with approximately 1800 students participating in various events. The entire presentation of the displays and performances spoke volumes of the meticulous work and dedication of the students and teachers alike. This magnificent exhibition which earned raving praises from all visitors was only possible with the painstaking efforts put in by students, teachers and parents.



The audience enjoyed the dances and songs of primary section.



Our Principal welcoming Guest of Honour, Mr. Ozgur Ayturk



Guest of Honour, Ms.Antonia Grande was pleased to visit the Italian pavilion and interact with students

U N WEEK CELEBRATIONS

UN Week was celebrated from 17 to 21 of October 2011. The week saw the participation of more than 1000 students from classes 4 to 12. A plethora of activities was held for the students. Students of classes 4 and 5 took part in a drawing and painting competition wherein they were asked to illustrate a 'Happy World'. For Classes 6 and 7, 'Know the UN' Competition was held to help them know the United Nations better. PowerPoint Presentation Competitions about the U.N. for classes 8 and 9 and the theme 'Millennium Development Goals of the UN' were presented by Class 11 and 12. Famous speeches given by the statesmen of various countries in the UN Assembly were also reproduced by students of class 12. Distinguished personalities visited the school during the week. Ms. Rineeta Naik, UNIC visited the school and heard the students sharing their knowledge about the UN and shared her knowledge and expertise with all present. The culmination on the 21 of October saw Mr. Ram Boojh, UNESCO and Mr. Dharendra Bhatnagar, CUCAI as Guests of Honour. They witnessed the 'Mega Multimedia Quiz' and gave away the prizes to the winners of all the competitions held during the week. The guests praised the notice boards put up by the students of classes IV, V and VI. They also complimented the prize winners and the efforts of the Organising Committee which comprised of students, a hallmark of our school.



Ms. Rineeta Naik appreciating the artwork of our students



Mr. Ram Boojh, UNESCO, and Mr. Dharendra Bhatnagar, CUCAI, with prize winners

10TH AEC-NET CONFERENCE

Ms. Geeta Rajan, Global Co-ordinator of our school attended the 10th AEC-NET Conference at Dundalk, Ireland in November 2011. The conference aims at promoting ICT in classroom and gives opportunities to educators from Asia and Europe to collaborate with each other through several online projects. This year too all the award winning projects R.E.D, Home Seek and Flora and Fauna featured our school. The conference also saw experts teaching speed networking to the participating educators. The delegates were taken to visit Newgrange, a beautiful pre-historic monument. The delegates also had a beautiful evening together when they were treated to some lovely Irish music and dance. The participating educators were then taken to visit Institute of Further Education, which excels in the area of information technology. The conference was attended by several dignitaries like Mr. Oliver Tully, Chairperson, Vocational Education Committee and Dr. Padraig Kirk, CEO, VEC, to name just a few.



Ms. G. Rajan at 10th AEC-NET Conference at Ireland

UNESCO CONFERENCE

Two teachers of our school, Ms. A. Arora and Ms. G. Rajan, attended a four day Training Seminar for the selected leaders of UNESCO Clubs and Associations in India and the 12th Biennial Conference of CUCAI, from 1 to 4 September, 2011, at Jodhpur.

Around 70 teachers from all over the country were part of this prestigious conference. The conference saw distinguished speakers from all walks of life speaking on varied topics- Right to Education, Digital Divide in Rural India, importance of our heritage in the modern context. Mr. Dharendra Bhatnagar, Secretary General, CUCAI, enlightened all the delegates with the aims and objectives of the association.



Ms. G. Rajan and Ms. A. Arora, at UNESCO Conference.

NAMASTE SINGAPORE



Our guests from Millennia Institute, Singapore

Our school hosted a seven member student delegation from Millennia Institute, Singapore, led by their teacher Mr. David Toh for a cultural exchange programme. During their week long visit to the school, the Singaporean students were hosted by the families of the Indian students. The students of the Heritage club of the school took the delegation for Dilli Darshan to see the beautiful historical monuments like Qutub Minar, Rashtrapati Bhavan, Parliament House, Lotus Temple and Humayun's Tomb. They also watched a laser show at Purana Quila highlighting the 100 years of Delhi. They were awestruck to see the splendor of the Taj Mahal when they visited Agra. One of the highlights of their trip was participation in a Video conference with schools from US, Israel and Kenya, which emphasized on being Friends Forever. The students of Millennia School floored our students by performing a dance number- a fusion of some dance forms of different origins that reflect the cultural melting pot that Singapore is. They performed a skit to showcase their country and its culture. They also taught the art of Chinese calligraphy to their Indian counterparts. It was indeed a cultural exchange programme to cherish forever.

OUR SWEDISH GUESTS

Two teacher trainees from Sweden, Ms. Emine Hiftari and Ms. Katharina Skar, visited our school from 10 Oct. to 22 Oct. They were associated with our Maths teachers, Ms. Monica Som and Ms. Anita Vohra. During their stay they observed the teaching and learning strategies practiced in our school. They were also taken to a visit to Agra. It was a breathtaking moment to see larger than life -Taj Mahal- one of the seven wonders of the world. They visited the Agra Fort too.



Our Swedish guests in Indian attire

INVITATION TO ITALY

History was created once again as our school became the only school in Delhi to be invited to the first Indian Italian School Network Conference. Initiated by the Ministry of Education, Italy, the conference was held in Vicenza, near Venice. There were five Italian schools and two Indian schools at the conference. The Italian schools were from Vicenza, Venice, Trieste, Benevento and Rome while the second Indian school was DPS, Bangalore. The host school was Liceo "Pigafetta" located in Vicenza. The three day conference was headed by Ms. Rita Renda from the Ministry of Education, Italy. The agenda was to bring Indian and Italian schools closer by initiating online projects and student exchange programmes, to integrate ICT tools and to teach the importance



Ms. G. Rajan, our Global Co-ordinator at Italy

of the rich historical heritage and the cultural diversities of both countries. The delegates took part in the conference and were taken for sight seeing in Vicenza. They met the Deputy Mayor of Vicenza, Ms. Alessandra Moretti. A mesmerising musical concert by the students of the host school made one of the evenings very special. The Indian delegates were taken to the city of Verona where they visited Juliet's House to see the famous balcony from 'Romeo and Juliet' and the Olympiad Stadium. They also visited the beautiful city of Venice where they saw St. Mark's Basilica, Saint Mark's Square, Doge's Palace and the Grand Canal. The main highlight was the famous gondola ride. Ms. Geeta Rajan, Global Co-ordinator, represented our school.



Our students participating in the first Video Conference

FIRST VIDEO CONFERENCE

Technology has definitely made the world a small place. It was indeed a proud moment when we had our first Intergenerational Video Conference on 30 September, 2011. Ten students participated and contributed during the 90 minutes Video Conferencing. It was conducted by the 'Tony Blair' Face to Faith Foundation. The special guest for the Video Conference was Mr. Walter Woods from U.S.A and the other participating schools were: Technologicode Monterrey and Our Own High School (UAE). The participants showed their concern about the elderly and the role of different faith groups in their

country. They even expressed their views on the relationship which they share with their grandparents. We invited grandparents, Mr. Malhotra and Mr. Krishnan to share their views as well. The Video Conference was conducted with visions of a society in which every member lives with dignity, respect and love.

The students who participated were Mani Makkar (XIIC), Taniya Arora (XIIA), Chirag Khatri (XIIA), Shibika Suresh (XII F), Karan Makkar (XIID), Danish Girdhar (XI H), Sanyam Jain (XI C), Ravit Malik (XI C), Nimrit Kaur Ahluwalia (XI C) And Shruti Malhotra (XI D).

DRAMATICS-OUR PASSION

INTER CLASS PLAY COMPETITION CLASS III

An Inter Class Short Play Competition for students of class III, was organised on 16.9.2011. The theatrical extravaganza was a gala affair in which nine plays were presented. The efforts of the budding artists were highly appreciated by the parents as well as the judges. 'The Emperor's New Hair' (IIID) was adjudged the Best Play amongst all. Namya Suneja (IIIF) and Tanisha Banga (IIIB) won the award for Best Dialogue Delivery while Pearl Lamba (IIIG) won the award for Best Stage Presence. The prizes for Best Actor were won by Arnav Baluja (IIID), Sparsh Pahwa (IIID), Siddharth Suri (IIID), Shubh Karman (IIID), Manmeet Singh (IIIA), Arshpreet Singh (IIIA) and Priyanshu (IIID). Awards for Best Actress were bagged by Tanisha Banga (IIIB), Pearl Lamba (IIIG), Japneet Kaur (IIIF) and Samiksha Kumar (IIIH).



The Enchanted Storks – class III

INTER CLASS PLAY COMPETITION CLASS IV

The Inter Class Short Play Competition for students of class IV of our school, was organised on 21.9.2011. Each section came up with wonderful theatrical presentations. The parents of the participants were invited to witness them. They were very happy to see the performance of the students and applauded them heartily. The various plays were : A Scribe's Dream, Mother's Day ,The Boss came to Dinner, The Dear Departed ,The Stingiest Miser and One Small Step, The play The Dear Departed won the Best Play Award. The Best Actor award went to Kartik Jain (IVD), Harshit Behal (IVA), Sarthak Sachdeva (IVA), Sushant Kanwal(IVB) and Nischay Vij(IVB). The awards for Best Actress were bagged by Sneh Bedi (IVE), Simran Vohra (IVA) and Ishika Chauhan (IVD).

Khushi Jain (IVD), Purna Rajput (IVF) and Purnima Sethi (IVB) won the awards for Best Dialogue Delivery, while prizes for Best Stage Presence were bagged by Vishruti Priyanshi (IVA), Supriya Arora (IVC) and Bhavya Negi (IVF).



The Best Actors of class IV



The Emperor's Beard – Class V

INTER CLASS PLAY COMPETITION CLASS V

The Inter class Play competition is a platform for students to exhibit their talents and abilities. Held on October 14, 2011 the competition was judged on the basis of their presentation, acting, dialogue delivery and authenticity of costumes. The budding actors of Class V presented five plays namely Mark Twain's The Prince and the Pauper, The Emperor's Beard from Tales of Akbar and Birbal, Charles Dickens - A Christmas Carol, A Note from School and The First Lesson.

The winners were :- **Best. Actor** :- Manish Wasan (VG), Naman Sharma (VE), Atishaye Jain (VD) and Aditya Choudhary (VA)

Best Actress : Nikita Arora (VF), Sanya Kapoor (VC), Harleen Kaur (VA) and Nishtha Vashisht (VA)

Best Dialogue Delivery :- Rahul Pandey (VG), Deepika Nayar (V E), Saatwik Bhatnagar (VA), Vidhi Hattar (VD) and Ishant Dabas (VA).

Best Stage Presence :- Siddharth Malhotra (VG), Ritunjay Som (VF), Prahlad Srivastava (VE), Rashmeet Kaur (VE), Harpreet Kaur (VC), Kartik Dhawan (VE), Swaranjali Mehta (V D) and Ariyan Bhatnagar (VA)

Best Team effort was won by - The First lesson

HAPPY FEET CREATE MAGIC



First Prize winners of Folk Dance competition – Goan Dance

A Folk Dance Competition for class II was held on 24.9.2011. Folk Dances like Garba, Bihu, Rajasthani, Bengali, Goan etc. were presented. The parents of the participants, who were invited for the programme, appreciated all the dances. Our Principal, Ms. A. Aggarwal addressed the parents and encouraged the participants. The 1st prize was bagged by the "Goan Dance" presented by the students of class IIB and the Runners Up trophy went to class IID for performing the Bihu Dance.



Second Prize winners of the Folk Dance Competition – Assamese Dance

SOLO SINGING COMPETITION



Winners of Solo Singing Competition Class II

The Solo Singing Competition for classes II and III was held on 24.9.2011. The children confidently sang melodious songs on the stage. The parents of the participants were invited to witness the programme. Our Principal, Ms. Anjali Aggarwal, addressed the parents and also encouraged the participants. In Class II, I prize was bagged by Diya Sharma (IIB) while II and III prizes were won by Jatin Sachdeva (IIE) and Yajat Dayal (IIF) respectively. Kanav Chopra (IID) and Radhika Ahuja (IIC) won the Consolation Prizes. In Class III, I prize was bagged by Nandita Sareen (IIIA) while II and III prizes were won by Bryan Rose (III-I) and Ayush Saini (IIIF) respectively. Nehal Nagpal (IIIB) and Sparsh Pahwa (IIID) won the Consolation Prizes.



Winners of Solo Singing Competition – Class III

OUR BUDDING SCIENTISTS

Five students participated at Centre Level for Science Exhibition, organized by Directorate of Education, Science Centre, under different categories from 1 to 4 Nov. 2011 at Nav Hind Girls Sr. Sec. School, and were selected for State Level. They are Lakshay Virmani & Madhur Handa of class XE (Science Model - Bicycle Wheel Generator) Yashasvi Mittal & Anshul Bhatia of class XC (Maths Model – Pythagoras Revisited)

SCALING NEW HEIGHTS

After securing the first position in the C.B.S.E. Inter School Quiz Competition at the Zonal level, Anish Sharma, of class XI F, bagged the first prize at the Centre Level too. The competition was held in Nav Hind Girls' Sr. Sec. School, New Rohtak Road on 02 November, 2011.

OUR TEACHERS ARE THE BEST



Ms.L.Srinivas and Ms.S.Malik receiving their awards

The Govt. of India, Ministry of Human Resource Development, declared 11 November as National Education Day to commemorate the birth anniversary of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, an eminent educationist, great freedom fighter and the first Education Minister of India.

The Central Board of Secondary Education organized various activities based on the theme 'Child Centered Education'. One of the events was a TEACHERS' QUIZ ON EDUCATION.

Several schools all over India participated in it, out of which our school team, comprising of Ms L. Srinivas and Ms. S. Malik, won the First Prize in the Grand Finale, held on 14 November, at National Museum, Janpath, New Delhi. After a gruelling quizzing session by the well known quizmaster, Pranab Mukherjee, in the semifinals at Sardar Patel Vidyalaya, Lodhi Estate, under the supervision of Ms. Sugandha Sharma, Education Officer, Commerce CBSE, our school team made it to the finals along with five other teams from all over India and subsequently qualified for the Grand Finale alongwith three other schools. It was a memorable moment for both the teachers when they received their certificates, trophies and a cash award of Rs 20,000 from the chief guests, Ms. Ashu Vaish, Secretary of Education and Literacy, and Mr Vineet Joshi, Chairman and Secretary of Central Board of Education.

HINDI TEACHERS HONOURED

On the occasion of 'Hindi Divas', Mascot Press Pvt. Ltd., organized a Creative Writing Competition for teachers of schools in Delhi to honour their creative talent. Dr.Usha Pandey, teacher of our school, won the II Position and was honoured with a trophy, a Certificate of Appreciation and a cash award. Ms. P. Kaushik and Ms.V.Chadha, received Special prizes in the Poetry category.



Dr.U.Pandey with her award

FELICITATION OF COMMERCE TEACHERS & STUDENTS

On 10 September, 2011 the "Commerce Teachers Association" organized a Felicitation Ceremony at the Chinmaya Auditorium, Lodhi Road, New Delhi. The class XII (2010-11) students and teachers were felicitated for outstanding performance in Accountancy and Business Studies. Ashima Gujral, who had scored cent per cent in Business Studies in Class XII C.B.S.E. Board exams, was awarded a gold medal and a trophy for her brilliant score. Two teachers, Ms. Harinder Kaur and Dr. Balbir Singh, were also given certificates and trophies for their commendable result in Business Studies and Accountancy respectively. The eminent guests were Prof. Raj S. Dhankar (Dean, Faculty of Management study, University of Delhi), Ms. Anita Setia (Dy. Director Education, Distt. South, Directorate of Education, Govt. of NCT of Delhi), Ms. Sugandha Sharma (Education Officer, Commerce, C.B.S.E, New Delhi) and Dr. Shipra Vaidya (Reader in Commerce RMSA, NCERT, Delhi) among others.

FUN FILLED EXCURSIONS



Every body enjoyed themselves in Dubai

DESTINATION DUBAI

Thirty students from classes VIII , IX and X, led by our Principal, Ms. Anjali Aggarwal , Educational Supervisor, Ms. R. Anand and teachers, Ms. M. Kang and Ms. L. Srinivas, went on an excursion to Dubai. The five day trip was packed with entertainment, excitement, education and adventure in the form of Dhow (boat) cruise, Desert Safari with a good measure of Bedouin camp experience and local culture (folk dances), Aqua- venture at Atlantis , Palm Jumeira, the heaven for the Rich and the Famous and shopping expeditions to Diera City Centre, Dubai Mall, Mercato Mall (Italian architecture) and Merdiff City Centre. The students, under the supervision of Ms. Christine from Ed Terra, were guided to create a Photo Book covering various aspects of the city. A workshop on nuances of basic photography with Mr. Farookh, an eminent photographer in Dubai and a Styling Session with Ms. Poonam, a renowned make up artist (Of SlumDog Millionaire fame), added value to the trip.

STUDENTS AT AGRA

Students of class III of our school, went on an educational trip to Agra on 7.9.2011. It was a fun filled educational trip. Through various interesting activities, the students were intimated about facts related to the world famous monument-The Taj Mahal, Fatehpur Sikri and Agra Fort. The students presented their findings using media savvy educational activities. Learning and fun were combined together and the students experienced a city which has been a centre of attraction for tourists from all over the world.



Students pose in front of the Taj

EDUCATIONAL TRIP TO AMRITSAR

An educational trip to Amritsar was organized for students of class IV of our school, on 23 and 24 Sep.2011. They were taken for sightseeing to Durgayana Temple and the Golden Temple. The students witnessed the ceremony at Wagah Border and found the experience exhilarating and unique. The students were astonished to see the bullet marks in the Jallianwala Bagh and wanted to know more about the history of the Jallianwala Bagh. The students enjoyed the trip and looked forward to share their experience with their friends and parents back home.



Our Students at the Golden Temple

FESTIVAL TIME



Our Green Warriors spread awareness

STREET PLAY AND ANTI CRACKER RALLY

A street play and an anti cracker rally was organized by the Earth Saviours Eco Club students, on 24.10.2011. The club members alongwith teachers, Ms. S. Kaur and Ms. M. Pathak, took out a rally in support of having a safe and eco friendly Diwali. They also performed a street play at various locations, like Vishal Cineplex, Rajouri Garden Malls and Jwala Heri Market. The message conveyed through the play was appreciated by the onlookers.

SPREADING SMILES WITH MUSKAAN

Muskaan, an association working for differently – abled children had put up 'Diwali Sale' in our school. The organisation collected an amount of Rs. 1,03,682 by selling the products made diligently by Muskaan students throughout the year. It not only helped in marketing the products but also sensitized the young generation in recognizing the needs and rights of people with disability.

G.K. QUIZ (I - II)

The final round of the G.K. Quiz was conducted on 28 September, 2011 for classes I and II through the Smart Class Board. There were ten rounds for Class I on topics such as nature, cartoon characters, rhymes, famous personalities whereas nine rounds for Class II on topics such as fairy tales, musical instruments, monuments, etc. Children who cleared the preliminary round on 12 September, 2011 represented their houses.

The non-participants formed the audience. The overall response of the students was praiseworthy. It was a learning experience for the children.

G.K. QUIZ (VI - VIII)

An Inter House G.K. Quiz (Touring Asia and Europe) was organized for the Middle section (classes VI to VIII) on 6 September, 2011. The quiz was held in all the classes simultaneously. In all, 160 students participated in the quiz and almost 800 students witnessed this quiz and even participated, as there were audience questions in every round for their encouragement.

There were seven rounds in the quiz, which included natural attractions, monuments, cuisines, mixed bag and general round. Every question was supplemented with additional information to make it more informative and interesting. As it was an Inter House quiz, one team (house) was chosen as the winner from each class. To sum it all, the students enjoyed and enriched their knowledge through this visual quiz.

GOING THE MATHS WAY

To test logical abilities and knowledge of students, a Maths Quiz was organized on 18.10.2011 for the students of classes VI, VII and VIII. Top scorers of the preliminary round from all four Houses participated in the final round. Team from Patel House won by scoring the maximum points.

The team members of the winning team were:-

Shreya Aggarwal (VIB), Mehul Malhotra (VIID) and Tushar Bhatia (VIIA).

MATHS QUIZ- X & XII

X and XII standard students participated in Maths Quiz, held on 18.10.2011. It was a good learning experience for the mathematics enthusiasts. The winning team members were:-

R. Supraja (XII F), Tanvi Sood (XII F).

Mohit Gulati (X E), Naman Bhagat. (X F)

NEELAKSHI MAKES US PROUD

To celebrate the 150th Birth Anniversary of Swami Vivekananda, the greatest source of inspiration for youth, Ramakrishna Mission, New Delhi, organized a Future Leader Discovery Contest for students of classes VI to XII. The competition, spread over eight months, consisted of three phases. Around 1,62,800 students all over the country from 9000 schools undertook the initial online quiz.

Neelakshi Prabhakar, a student of class XII, cracked the quiz and reached among the top 1000 candidates. The second round was a written round in which a questionnaire had to be filled by the selected candidates. Neelakshi Prabhakar made it to the top 100 candidates for the final round of the contest. We wish her all the best.

VIDEO CONFERENCE WITH GVC PROJECT MANAGER

Seven members of classroom GVC1113 of our school and their teacher held an effective video conference session on 21 October with Ms. Janet Barnstable, Project manager, Global Virtual Classroom, USA. During the course of the interaction, Ms. Barnstable agreed to share her expertise in the field of Web Designing and related subtopics with our students Vibhu Arora (XI F), Ravit Malik (XI C), Simran Malhotra (X E), Kashish Anand (X E), Deepika Matange (X E) and Lakshay Virmani (X E).

During the 40 minute long conference, the participants had a fruitful transaction of ideas with the project manager who addressed all their queries and wholeheartedly wished them success. The conference concluded with plans for another meet with students of St. Mary School, New York.

WE CONNECT WITH 'OUR OWN HIGH SCHOOL', DUBAI

On 15 of November, students had a video conference session with the students of Our Own High School, Dubai. The video conference saw the students of both the schools sharing about their community. They also discussed about the influence of different religions in their lives. The students were curious to know as to how many of the students from Our Own High School were originally from India. They also wanted to know whether they miss India and whether they would like to come to India to join a university here. It was a wonderful experience for the students.

TEACHERS OF OUR SCHOOL ATTEND WORKSHOP ON CCE

'Education - Our Mission', keeping this motto in mind, Ratna Sagar Pvt. Ltd. conducted a workshop for the teachers of classes VI to VIII on 24.9.2011 in our school. The Resource Person, Ms.Vinita Bhasin, laid emphasis on activities like class work, home work, quizzes, oral questions, projects and assignments that can be implemented in the FAs of the present CCE system.

40 teachers attended this workshop and actively participated in the activities conducted during the workshop. It was an effective and interesting session .

WORKSHOP ON DYSLEXIA

The Guidance Counsellor, Ms. D.Chawla, attended the 7th Annual Conference on Dyslexia and Specific Learning differences at Indian Islamic Cultural Centre on 7th and 8th October 2011. The two day extensive workshop highlighted on understanding diverse learning needs in a classroom, ADHD and ADD as co-existing conditions of dyslexia, Response to Intervention, Role of Parents and Teachers, Evaluation of Learning and Performance. To sum up, it was quite a knowledgeable experience and definitely broadened the knowledge on learning disabilities.

GLOBAL RECOGNITION TO SMS

Vibhu Arora (XI F), Samarpit Kalra (XI E), Rohit Raman Banerji (X F), Kashish Grover (XI G) and Shourya Vats (X B) in collaboration with Sha Hajime from Kobun Junior High School, Japan, were awarded Certificates of Achievement for their impressive project 'Effective Education- an eye opener' in Think Quest Digital Media Contest 2011.

The Think Quest International Contest challenges students to solve a problem using their critical thinking, communication and technology skills. The contest sponsored by ORACLE FOUNDATION, CALIFORNIA, motivates the participants to use the latest technologies and brain power to create an entry that demonstrates their skill on an international stage. Our students showcased their skills well.

VEDIC MATHEMATICS WORKSHOP

A workshop on "Techniques of Vedic Mathematics" was held on 11.10.2011. The seminar was conducted by the recipient of 'The Best Memory Trainer Award', Ms.Aditi Singhal. She has set 2 National Records for Memory and Fastest Calculation and has her name registered in 'The Limca Book of Records'. She talked about different methods used in Vedic Mathematics to ease calculations and make the subject interesting. The workshop helped the teachers to focus on better methods of enhancing memory.

Everybody appreciated the activities performed for the explanation of the various techniques. The workshop came to an end with the chanting of shlokas and meditation. It was a good learning experience for all present.

TEACHERS ATTEND WORKSHOP ON PREVENTING BULLYING IN SCHOOLS

A Workshop on 'Preventing Bullying in Schools' was organized at D.P.S., Rohini on 19.11.2011. Ms. R. Chopra and Ms.M.Som were the teachers who attended this workshop ,conducted by Mr. Stan Davis, an international educationist from USA. The workshop mainly dealt with 4R's of bullying prevention i.e. Respect, Relationships, Resiliency and Responses.

The workshop emphasized on having a 'Youth Voice Project' where concerned youth would act as mentors, sources of support and friends to the mistreated and excluded youth.

WORKSHOP ORGANISED BY ORIENT BLACKSWAN

Three staff members, Ms. Divya, Ms.A. Vohra and Ms.S.Rana, attended a workshop on 26 November 2011, organized by Orient Blackswan Pvt.Ltd. The workshop was conducted by Ms.Sheila Kurian. It was an interesting and lively session as she made the teachers do a number of thinking exercises. The second session on "Multiple Intelligence in the classroom" was conducted by Dr.Maria Athaide. Her session was full of interesting stories and hands- on activities like – matching (pairing) famous personalities, singing/dancing, finding one's own strengths and weaknesses and ultimately identifying the same in the classrooms.

TEACHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

Two teachers, Ms. L. Manoj and Ms. T. Kant, attended a Teacher Development Programme organized by Cambridge University Press. The resource person was Prof.Rajeevan, Senior Vice President, Cambridge Univ.Press, who familiarized the teachers with the innovative teaching materials that are specially suited for Indian classrooms. He also discussed the new trends in ELT (English Language Teaching) and how to use new techniques and methods to make learning an enjoyable experience for the learners.

The programme focused on objectives of Teaching English -Listening, Speaking, Reading, Grammar and Vocabulary. The resource person answered the queries of the teachers and gave tips to improve teaching-learning process.

SANSKRITI - AN INITIATIVE BY THE EUROPEAN UNION

As part of European Union's Sanskriti Festival for school children, the school screened three Italian movies for the students. The three movies screened were: V.I.P by Bruno Boggetto for students of class 4, Pinocchio by Roberto Benigni for students of class 5 and Kim Rossi Stuart's Anche Libero Va Bene for a group of senior students. Ms. Antonia Grande, Cultural director, Italian Embassy, was in the school to interact with the students and told them about EU and its functions. She also spoke about the importance of all countries working together to promote peace in the universe. Ms. Anjali Aggarwal and Ms. Grande shared the view that it is the student community which is the best ambassador to promote harmony and brotherhood, hence it is essential for schools to collaborate with each other both virtually as well as on the real space.

GEOFEST

Six students of our school, along with their teacher, Ms. Vani Lala, participated in the 'Geofest International' organized by City Montessori School, Lucknow, held from 10 to 13 September 2011. Students participated in various events like Collage Making, Model Making, Cartoon Making, Quiz and Choreography. They bagged Consolation Prize in Collage Making (Senior), and Commendable prize in Choreography. It was a great learning experience for the students and their endeavour was appreciated by all.

Students who participated were :- Chirag Khatri (XIIA), Saurabh Maithani (XIG), Sanyam Jain (XIC), Manushi Arora (VIID), Rushali Sethi (VIID) and Suasha Girdhar (VIID).

QUANTA

A team of 7 students with their teacher, Mr. S. Arora participated in Quanta 2011 – An International competition for Science, Mathematics, Mental Ability and Electronics. Total of 67 teams from different parts of India and world participated. Our students took part in various quizzes, debates and model making competitions. Shibika Suresh of XIIE got honourable mention in Debate. Performance of other participants was also appreciated. The students got a chance to compete with the talent across the globe.

The participants were :

Shibika Suresh (12E), Gaurav Soni (XIIE), Aashima Bansal (XIIF), Ananya Karhadkar (XIIF), Manastha Garg (XIIG), Amit Kaushik (XIIG) and Namit Sethi (XIIG)

SANSKRIT RECITATION COMPETITION

Recitation competitions enable a child to communicate the text or words through their speech using voice modulation, gesticulation and tone etc. Keeping this in mind, an Inter Class Sanskrit Recitation Competition was held in our school for classes VI to VIII on 24 October, 2011. The judges for the competition were Ms. M. Kharbanda and Ms. V. Bhutani.

The winners of the competition were :-

Class VI : I Prize : Divanshu Shokeen (VI G), II Prize : Keshav Nagpal (VI F) and III Prize : Payal Bhatia (VI G)

Class VII : I Prize : Shambhavi Gautam (VII E), II Prize : Shikhar Suresh (VII A) and III Prize : Jagriti Wadhwa (VII E)

Class VIII : I Prize : Suasha Girdhar (VIII C), II Prize : Vinay Singla (VIII E) and III Prize : Kanishk Jain (VIII E)

QUIZ USA

Tanya Gupta and Shivangi Arora of class IXA participated in "Quiz USA" organized by the American Centre in New Delhi at Salwan Public School, on 15.11.2011. It was an opportunity for the students to learn about American history and democracy and understand the similarities and differences in India's democratic processes.

WORKSHOP FOR SAVIOURS OF EARTH

A workshop was organized by I-Dream Foundation for students of Saviours of Earth Eco Club on 27.9.2011. Mr. Rohit and Mr. Chetan conducted the workshop and spoke about the hazards of E-Waste. The school managed to give 112 mobile phones and 40 chargers for recycling and was given a Platinum Certificate by the company, Nokia.

STUDENTS PRESENT RAMAYANA

Students of class III presented Ramayana on 20.10.2011. It was a grand affair in which more than 100 students participated. The students danced gracefully on 'bhajans' like 'thumak chalat Ramachandra' and 'Shri Ramchandra kripalu'. Various excerpts from Lord Rama's life were enacted right from his childhood till he was crowned the king. The programme was highly appreciated by all.

FROOTI PARTY

As a part of Project – Search that involves recycling of Tetra packs, a frooti party was held for students of classes I to VIII. Students, after drinking Frooti, learned to dispose off Tetra packs by following three important steps i.e. Cut, Clean and Collect. These tetra packs would be collected by DLF – Foundation and TERI for recycling.

ROBOMANICS

Eight students of Robotics Club (Robomania) participated in Robotics Competition organized at 'The Sriram School'. It was a thrilling experience for the students as they designed robots performing various tasks based on the problem statements. Designs made by the students were appreciated and it was a great learning experience for them.

WORKSHOP ON 'WORLD OF ELECTRONS'

The students of classes IX & X, attended the Level 3 workshop on 'The World of Electrons', on 23 and 24 Nov. 2011. During the workshop, the students learnt to make a number of things like the H-Bridge, Darlington Pair, DC inverter, Light Blinkers etc. It was an interesting workshop.

BOOKS ARE OUR BEST FRIENDS

On 16 November, 2011, the members of the Reader's Society Club visited the National Book Fair organised by National Book Trust of India (NBT). There was a huge collection of books to inspire the young minds to read and create wonders of their own. Books of various regional languages were also available. The members of the club were enthusiastically engaged in buying books of their interest. The trip was really interesting and was needed badly to reimpose the significance of books and the habit of reading books in the changed scenario of computer and internet.

OUR STUDENTS AT CHILDREN'S FILM FESTIVAL

On 21.10.11, the members of the Film Buffs Club had the good fortune to attend the Children's Film Festival at Siri Fort Auditorium, organized by Cine Darbaar. They saw the screening of a Children's Film 'Halo', which had a heart – warming story of love, kindness and sacrifice that deeply touched the hearts of the club members. The students also witnessed a presentation on 'The History of Cinema'. The Film Buffs members have indeed enjoyed every moment of being a part of this club.

WORKSHOP ON CULTURAL HERITAGE

On 2nd November, 2011, two teachers, Ms. G. Rajan and Ms. A . Arora, attended a workshop at Red Fort Complex organized by Confederation of UNESCO clubs and Association of India and Archaeological Survey of India. This workshop was on cultural heritage with focus on monuments in and around Delhi. It was an effort to create awareness among the people, particularly the young, about our rich cultural heritage and work for their protection in conservation by encouraging the teachers and schools to adopt such sites. A slide show on the conservation of monuments in Delhi was shown. A representative of UNESCO was invited to introduce the UNESCO project on 'World Heritage in Young Hands'.

STUDENTS ATTEND WORKSHOP ON ANGER MANAGEMENT

A workshop on Anger Management was organized for students of class V, by the Promise group for Personality Development. The workshop mentors were Ms. Bharti, Ms. Shalini and Ms. Japneet. Students were taught tips and smart techniques to control temper and handle anger generating situations sensibly. They had group discussions and activities which helped in realization of the need for anger management. The students interacted well and found the workshop interesting and motivating.

MAHINDRA SOCCER TOURNAMENT

The Sub. Jr. Boys Football team of our school participated in Mahindra Soccer Tournament 2011, held at Ganga International School and reached the quarterfinal stage. They defeated DPS, Mathura Road, by 4-2 and Bhartiya Vidya Bhawan, K.G.Marg, by 1-0. The team members were rewarded with a football dress each for their performance. Following were the team members:

Krishna Durga (8D), Tushar Chandra (9A), Shiva Narang (7E), Saurav Grover (8F), Aman Chhabra (8B), Arjun Chopra (9D), Pratyaksh Yadav (7D), Shikhar Juneja (7B), Simrat Singh (7B), Charit Middha (8C), Ayush Chauhan (8E), Bhavya Jaggi (7F), Kartike Pushkarna (7B), Sagar Shokeen (8E), Mayur Chauhan (7F), Tarun Bansal (9D).

NATIONAL BASIC LEADERSHIP CAMP, ORISSA, N.C.C.

Aashima Sethi (XID), Sakshi Dagar (XF) and Manisha Gupta (XF) of our school, attended the All India Basic Leadership camp organized by 1 Orissa Girls Battalion, NCC. 17 Directorates from all over India attended the camp from 13 to 25 Oct. 2011. Amongst 29 Cadets from Delhi Directorate who attended this camp, 3 were from our school. It was a learning as well as a joyful experience as numerous competitions were organized. Our students bagged the following prizes :

I prize - Aashima Sethi in Singing Competition
I prize - Sakshi Dagar in Dancing Competition
I prize - Manisha Gupta in Painting Competition

OUR CHAMPS

VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONS

Our sub - junior Volleyball team secured Runners Up position in the Zonal Volleyball tournament held in the school premises. In this tournament 32 teams participated. Our team members were Aman Solanki (VII B), Kshitij Solanki (VII D), Kawaljeet Singh (VIII E), Tanish Saini (VII D), Arnav Kohli (VIII E), Mansubhag Sethi (VII G), Amogh Mittal (VII C), Raunak Singh Sahni (VII B), Kartik Solanki (VII F), Akhil Bajaj (VIII E), Bharat Sharma (VII C) and Varun Kumar (VIII B).

TAEKWONDO CHAMPIONSHIP

Paarth Wadhawan, of class IV D, participated in the open Delhi state Taekwondo Championship 2011, held on 09 October, 2011. This competition was organised by the West District Taekwondo Association in which 300 schools participated. He bagged a Gold medal in weight category 30 - 35 Kg.

OUR STUDENTS WIN PRIZES IN WATER SPORTS

Students of class IV participated in a Water Sports Carnival under Boys and Girls Category, consisting of 5 players each. This event was organized at Bal Bhawan International School, Dwarka, on 29.9.11.

The girls team emerged as winners while the boys team won I Runners Up position.

Girls team

Minal Ziya Khan, IVB
Shree Chandra, IVA
Sachita Jain, IVD
Ishika Chauhan, IVD
Divyanshi Arora, IVC

Boys team

Jatin Bansal, IVE
Ashish Chugh, IVE
Nitigaya Dutt, IVD
Sanskar Chopra, IVE
Pratham Shokeen, IVE

FOOTBALL CHAMPIONS

Senior Boys Football team defeated Shah International School and won the Championship in Zonal Level Football Tournament Zone XVII. In the Junior Boys category, we won the 1st Runners-Up.

In the Senior Boys Football team, following were the team members :-

Mayank Sethi (XIC), Parth Dabas (XID), Geetank Kedia (XIC), Pranshu Rattan (XIG), Rajat Chopra (XIID), Dhruv Dhawan (XIH), Mayank Goel (XIG), Karan Makkar (XIID), Rohit Bhatia (XIA), Aditya Goel (XID), Lakshay Khurana (XIA), Utkarsh Bhardwaj (XIH), Lovish Marwaha (XIA), Prateek Goel (XI) and Naman Mittal (XIB).

'OUTSTANDING PERFORMER - DHAIRYA TANEJA '

Dhairya Taneja participated in CBSE National Roller Skating Tournament-2011, under-14 yrs category, held from 10th to 12th Nov.2011, at Jagran Public School, U.P. She achieved First position in Rink Race-11 (500 mtrs.) She has been awarded Gold Medal in this event.

OUR VOLLEYBALL CHAMPS MAKE IT TO THE NATIONALS

Two players of our school, Diksha Solanki (IX E) and Veronica Kapoor (IX A), alongwith Mr. R. Manchanda (Coach), represented Delhi State Sub. Jr. Volleyball team for 34th Sub Jr. Volleyball Championship, held at Kerala from 28.11.2011 to 07.12.2011, where Delhi beat Tripura and Chhattisgarh.

ZONAL BADMINTON TOURNAMENT

Our students participated in the Zonal Badminton Tournament, which was held from 29 Sep. to 10 Oct. 2011 at SKV, B-3, Paschim Vihar and was conducted by Delhi Administration (Zone XVII) for the year 2011-2012. The Senior Boys team bagged the championship. The team comprised of Yash Kumar(XID), Jayan Juneja (XIE), Tushar Sharma(XID) and Ashish Behl (XIE).

The Sub.Jr.Girls stood First Runners- Up in the tournament, while Sr.Girls, Jr.Boys and Sub Jr.Boys were the second Runners- Up.

Sr. Girls

Nikita Bansal(XIA), Shairen Chawla(XID), Saniya Satija (XIC), Nitika Satija(XIE).

Jr.Boys

Akshat Bhardwaj (XC), Lakshay Suri(XF), Satwik Singh Nagpal(XB).

Sub Jr. Girls

Sanya Shingari(VIIB), Sanjana Choudhary (VIII A), Chinmayee Verma(VIF), Aditi Aggarwal (VIA), Dakshita Sahni(VIA)

Sub Jr. Boys

Manan Shingari (VD), Jatin Satija(VIIE), Shubham Sehwari (VIA), Shubham Wadhwa (VIID).

SUB. JR. FOOTBALL CHAMPS

The Sub. Jr. Football team (under 14 yrs.) of our school bagged the Championship at the Zonal Level Football Tournament held from 31.10.2011 to 05.11.2011. In the final match they defeated Shah International School. Scorers in the match were Mayur Chauhan, Charit Midha, Simrat Singh and Sagar Shokeen. The team members were – Krishna Durga (8D), Saurav Grover (8F), Aman Chhabra (8B), Sagar Shokeen (8E), Charit Midha (8C), Shikhar Juneja (7B), Mayur Chauhan (7F), Simrat Singh (7B), Shiva Narang (7E), Pratyakash Yadav (7D), Aman Sirari (7C), Kartik Vashisth (7C), Vasu Kedia (7E), Kartike Pushkarna (7B), Bhvya Jaggi (7F), Sanjit Sikka (7B).

JATIN BEDI FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

Our Senior Football team participated in Jatin Bedi Football Tournament, which was held in St. Stephen's College, Delhi University, from 03.11.2011 to 13.11.11. The team reached the Quarter Final level by defeating Tagore International School. The team members were – Mayank Sethi (XIC), Sahil Sareen (XF), Lovish Marwaha (XIA), Geetank Kedia (XIC), Parth Dabas (XID), Prashu Rattan (XIG), Rahul Shokeen (XD), Rajat Chopra (XIID), Dhruv Dhawan (XIH), Mayank Goel (XIG), Rohit Bhatia (XIA), Rahul Yadav (XA), Aditya Goel (XID), Rahul Sethi (XE), Karan Makkar (XIID), Siddhant Magow (IXA), Prateek Arora (XB).

FOOTBALL SELECTION FOR ZONAL LEVEL

Football trials for Inter Zonal Football tournament 2011-12 were held in our school for all the three categories, i.e. Sub Jr. Boys (17.11.11), Jr. Boys and Sr. Boys (28.11.11). Our football players made the school proud by getting selected for the above teams.

Sub. Jr. Boys

Krishna Durga (VIII D), Saurav Grover (VIII F), Aman Chhabra (VIII B), Sagar Shokeen (VIII E), Charit Midha (VIII C), Shikhar Juneja (VII B), Mayur Chauhan (VII F), Simrat Singh (VII B).

Jr. Boys

Siddhant Magow (IXA), Dhruv Dabas (IX F), Rahul Shokeen (XD), Rahul Sethi (XE), Sahil Sareen (XF)

Sr. Boys

Mayank Sethi (XI C), Geetank Kedia (XI C), Parth Dabas (XI D), Pranshu Rattan (XI G), Dhruv Dhawan (XI H), Rohit Bhatia (XIA), Aditya Goel (XI D), Mayank Goel (XI G)

SELECTIONS FOR INTERZONAL CRICKET TEAM

Trials for the selection of Interzonal Cricket team were held in our school for all the three categories i.e. Sub. Jr. Boys (17, 18 Nov. '11), Jr. Boys (21, 22 Nov.), and Sr. Boys (23, 24 Nov.) The players who got selected and represented the Zone XVII in the Interzonal Cricket Championship 2011-12. were:

Sub. Jr. Boys

Ojas Tayal (VIII F), Parth Arora (VIIC), Ayush Dutt (VIII E), Shivam Gautam (VIIC), Hardik Tara (VIII E), Deepak Sharma (VIII A), Himanshu Raichandani (VIII F), Maghav Goel (VIII F)

Jr. Boys

Mayank Rajpal (XD), Kshitij Atrishi (VIII E), Abhinav Nagpal (IX F), Bhumanyu Singh (XA), Rishabh Batra (XD), Kartik Verma (IXB)

Sr. Boys

Nikhil Goyal (XIIC), Kartik Masand Rai (XIIA), Mehul Mittal (XD), Jasdeep Singh (XB), Parikh Sachdeva (XIIB)

TABLE TENNIS CHAMPS

Sr. Girls and Sub. Jr. Boys of our school won the Table Tennis Championship at Zonal Level held at Doon Public School, from 25 to 29 August 2011.

Sr. Girls

Srishti Ghai (XIE), Shivani Wadwa (XIC), Aanchal Bhayana (XIE).

Sub. Jr. Boys

Anmol Malhotra (VIII A), Prajwal Singhal (VIII C), Rishabh Kumar (VIII C)

OUR STUDENTS BAG RUNNERS UP TROPHY

Senior Girls Basketball team secured Runners Up trophy in the Zonal Tournament.

The participants were :

Anushka Mishra (XIIG), Kirti Lakra (XIIG), Pallavi Yadav (XIH), Nivida Malhotra (XIC), Bharti Goel (XIC), Bhavna Aghi (XIB), Avneet Kaur (XID), Priyanka Pahuja (XID), Aashima Sethi (XID), Srishti Ghai (XIE), Malika Saini (IXD)

We also organized the Zonal Basket Ball Boys Tournament.

EXPRESSIONS

100 YEARS OF GLORY

On the 12th of December'11, Delhi completed its 10 decades. Magnificently built by the British architect, Edwin Lutyens, Delhi has come a long way from being the seat of the British Raj to the Capital of Independent India, in these 100 years. It is truly the heart of India. From the age old Red Fort to the recently built Akshardham Temple and from the ancient Janpath Market to the very new malls...Delhi has both-Heritage sites and sights of a Modern Delhi. Although poverty, illiteracy and urbanisation stand as the major challenges Delhi faces today, the developments in Delhi have been commendable, making it the most well-developed metropolitan city.

Dishpreet Kaur Saluja, XI F.

STRESS

Stress in leisure
Is an uncommon thing.
Stress in smile,
It's there, but you don't believe.
Stress in mind,
Show in the eyes.
And when it's unbearable,
Eyes then cry.
Stress is growing boundless,
Unless you let it out,
It is harmless.
But if sure it's there,
It will make one ill.
And no need to wonder,
It will also kill.

-Akshay Arora, IX A

MY MOTHER

Mom, Hey mom! You are the best,
Greater than the Mount Everest.
Giving me love and support to the fullest,
All my mistakes you easily digest.
You are always a winner in your never ending quest,
Your ocean of love is surely the deepest.
Teaching us to be loyal and honest,
Time to time you keep taking our test.
Inspiring us to win every contest,
Better of best you always suggest.
You always have the time to jest,
Every time concerned about our interest.
Comforting us in our wonderful nest,
Helping us to face the tempest.
Against the wrong, teaching us to protest,
Your ability to understand is the finest.
Working all day with brilliant zest,
Always be with me is my request.
Your faithfulness is the greatest,
And remember, to me you'll always be the dearest.

-Shivangi Arora, IX A

THE EARTH THESE DAYS

What are we doing to the earth these days?
Polluting the air, littering the bays,
Today we are spreading carbon dioxide,
But tomorrow there will be no place to hide.
We are cutting forests carelessly,
Not letting wildlife exist in glee.
Ac's are making us comfortable to dine,
But CFCs will revolt, leading to a famine.
We are harming our mother earth in all ways.
But to live, the earth will give us no days.
Tomorrow nature won't let us regret,
For what we give, is what we get.

- Shikhar Suresh, VII A

MY JOURNEY WITH NATURE

Yesterday, I was sitting idle and alone,
In my mind a sudden picture was shown
Of those golden days,
Of nature's bright face.
Suddenly before my closed eyes,
The ugly face of today's nature flies.
The sunken and dead trees,
The scorching heat and fearing breeze.
And I ask, is this the gift of nature to us?
Or have we created for ourselves this fuss?
When I think that this is the result,
Of man's unlimited greed,
But surely this is not my future.
I shall plant trees for the benefit of every creature.

-Ishan Arora, VIII A

INSPIRATION FROM NATURE

Nature, the storehouse of all ideas and the mother of all inspiration, has inspired poets, painters, musicians and even scientists for centuries. The beauty, the wisdom and ingenuity that inspired these distinguished people to create masterpieces is available to each one of us too. In the course of a river, in the life cycle of a butterfly and even in a tiny seed...nature has messages of inspiration. The birth of a plant is one such inspiring event – the root and shoot of a germinating seed exert considerable force to burst open the seed and breakthrough the hard ground to bring it to life. Each time a tiny seedling pushes its way through the soil, the inspiration nature sends us is that the 'roots of success are formed through hard work.'

-Rohan Attri, VIII B

THE NIGHT WILL NEVER STAY

The night will never stay
The night will still go by,
Through with a million star
You pin to the sky;
Though you bind it with a blowing wind
And buckle it with the moon
The night will slip away
Like sorrow or a tune.
The night will never stay
Sleep with a very kind heart
It will never stay,
With a very nice smile say Good Night.

-Mrinal Miglani, XIC

SAVE EARTH

CFC's from AC's
Pollution from Cars
Trees are cut
Not grown a single plant
Paper is destroyed
Water is wasted
Global Warming has marred
How to save our Mother Earth
That's the big question of this hour.

-Deepakshi Makkar, VIII A

WE HAVE CREATED INDIA, WE ARE YET TO PRODUCE INDIANS

India, once hailed as the land of wealth, the mighty land of cultures, the land of spices, the land made up of various colours, the land where there is unity in diversity, the golden land, the aspiration of the conquerors, the desire of the travellers and the land of all classes became the land of the British Raj, draining all its wealth, became the land of misery, famine, crime, poverty and was amidst crisis of survival. Its been 64 odd years since we got independent and we have moved on. The transition is very hard to believe.

India has changed. India is not only the cultural superpower but we have a lot more to boast about- the best of infrastructure, the best of defence, the best of services in all sectors, the best of minds; we are the brains behind the plans of the world; we are one of the few economies that survived the recession when even the so called 'superpower' U.S.A. collapsed. We have a population of over billion to show to the world- 'here we are and you can't ignore us.' India has arrived on the global stage. Everybody is talking about it and I can very proudly proclaim-" We(not specifically me, but also the generations that no longer survive) have created 'INDIA'.

Now let me share with you some 'breaking news' of the past few weeks that still buzz in my head-

"Another honour killing....."

"Terrorists attack yet again..."

"Bharat bandh- a success so 'unsuccessful' for Indians..."

"Sexual Assault against foreigners..."

"Farmer commits suicide after famine...."

The list is endless.

We have created India(very well), but we are yet to produce its people- not just as living bodies but someone with sense. We proudly boast about 'our culture', 'our heritage', 'our festivals', our traditions'; then why do we just ape the west; whether it be clothing, architecture or policy making- why???

How can we, a country one billion strong, ape a country that is not even half a billion strong?

I remember once walking down a street in Kolkata, I felt so proud to see people in 'white dhotis' where I was in a trouser. That night I just imagined that I, as an Indian, was propagating something that my India never taught. Leave aside all the things, what the need of the hour is to create civic sense in our society; create people who are responsible, honest and humane.

Indians have been known for their wisdom all over the world. Then why an educated Indian goes the other way on seeing a black cat pass his path. We need to end superstitions. Why do we need laws to ban the insensible activities?

'No spitting', 'No smoking in public places',

'No corruption.' Why only a 'No' is needed?

A true Indian is the one who says 'Yes' to change; ends all the insensible activities on a personal level; feels proud of his country and its people; maybe bears a western attire but has an Indian soul;

to think of the good of the nation and help in producing and transforming Indians into 'true Indian.' That is why till date I feel...

"We have created India, we are yet to produce (true) Indians..."

Mani Makkar, XII C

ALUMNI ORGANIZES CAREER COUNSELLING SESSION

A Career Counselling Session was organized by the Old Students' Association - 'Atoot Bandhan', on 13.10.2011 (for Commerce and Humanities stream) and on 14.10.2011 (for Science stream) for class XII.

Mentoring team comprised of Dr.Mohit Kaul, Vice President, Mr.Jagdeep Sodhi, Aeronautics Engineer; Dr.Vishakha Rao, Dentist by profession; Mr.Rohit Mittra, Interior Designer; Mr.Jatin Arora, Music Composer; Mr.Victor Vaibhav Tandon, Advocate; Mr.Anuj Saluja, General Manager and Ms. Shobha Anand, Career Counsellor. It was a very enlightening and interactive career counselling session where the students were guided on various career openings like Aviation, Medical Research, Management courses etc. The Executive Body members, Mr.Dushyant Yadav and Mr.Siddharth Pruthi, were also present on the occasion. This session of career counselling was an eye-opener and would definitely help the students to decide their career options.



Alumni guiding their juniors



Pawan Gidwani – our Karate Champ

SILVER AWARD IN GVC 2010

Members of Global Virtual Classroom Contest received their Silver Medals, both at Elementary level and Secondary level. They were congratulated by our Principal, Ms.A. Aggarwal.



GVC Elementary group silver award winners-The Art of Living

OUR LITTLE STAR

On 15.11.2011, Punjab Kesari organized a National level competition titled, 'Kesari Little Star'. Varun Sethi, of class VB, won the First Prize in the Painting Competition. Out of the five topics given, the participants were required to attempt any two. He attempted the topics 'Save Earth' and 'Grow More Trees'. The competition was divided into three categories Talent Hunt, Ramp Walk and Baby Show. Distinguished judges such as Ekta Kapoor, Raveena Tandon and Dr. Kiran Bedi graced the occasion with their presence. Live performances by Daler Mehndi, Jasbir Singh and Malkeet Singh also caught the attention of the audience.



Varun Sethi (VB) – Punjab Kesari Little Star

SKATING CHAMPS

Students of our school participated in Inter School Skating Championship, conducted by Shah International School, Paschim Vihar, from 22 to 23 Oct.2011, for classes IV to VII. 15 schools of West Delhi participated in the event. Our school bagged the second position. The prizes winners were;

NAME	CLASS	RACE	PRIZE
Agam Kamran	6B	Quads	Bronze
Sanchita Gupta	7A	Inline	Gold & Bronze
Pratyaksh Yadav	7D	Adjustable	Gold
Namisha Chugh	7A	Adjustable	Bronze
Jasmeet Singh	6B	Adjustable	Gold
Vanika Dang	6E	Inline	Silver
Dikshita Khandelwal	7G	Adjustable	Bronze
Deepanshu Lakra	7D	Inline	Silver
Prithvi Mehta	4D	Inline	Silver
Hardik Sethi	4D	Inline	Bronze



Champions of Skating

OUR JUDO CHAMP

Yastika Kalra of VII E proved her tenacity and skill in self defence by winning the Bronze medal at the zonal level of CBSE North Zone I Judo Championship. She brought laurels to the school by winning a gold medal in 32nd Delhi State Judo Championship held on 10 November, 2011, at Netaji Subhash Modern Sports Club, Defence colony. The tournament was organised by Delhi Olympic Association and Judo Federation of India. Around 35 schools participated in the 5 day long tournament.



Yastika Kalra – Our Judo Champ

MATHS TALENT SEARCH

Lipika Chopra, (XIC) and Roshima Jatav(XIE) participated in the Maths Talent Search at Manav Sthali school. They gave a splendid performance with the former winning a Bronze trophy and the latter received an appreciation award. They have made their teachers proud by winning accolades for the school.



Lipika Chopra and Roshima Jatav – with their awards

VANASHREE RAO ENTHRALLS OUR STUDENTS

Under the aegis of SPIC MACAY the students got the opportunity of witnessing a wonderful Kuchipudi Dance recital by Smt. Vanashree Rao, the eminent Kuchipudi maestro. She enthralled the young audience with her lecture demonstration. Initiating the performance with 'Natya', i.e. hand and face expressions, she went on to perform 'Nritya' – beautiful dance movements. She then presented two small incidents from the life of Lord Krishna and culminated the performance with the stupendous 'Thali' dance. She was accompanied on the 'Natvayam' by Sh. Vasudevanji; Vocalist Sh. Venketeshvaran ji; on the violin by Sh. R. Keshvanji and on the 'mridangam' by Sh. Srinivasanji. It was indeed an awe inspiring experience.



Lighting lamps of Indian Culture

TERIGRAM



Our students at Terigram

Our school was invited for the Teri Gram, a truly Eco – friendly organization, which uses every kind of environment friendly method to preserve nature. We were guided through a two hour tour throughout the organization. Teri uses solar energy, wind energy and techniques such as green house effect, artificial methods of planting hybrid varieties of plants, etc. The office area as well as the hotel rooms are totally eco – friendly and use no air conditioners for cooling, instead they use methods such as water cooling systems to cool down the temperature of the rooms. Our school also uses a similar method to cool down the Exhibition Hall of our school. We found out many other new techniques to conserve our environment in many ways. Teri Gram is a 100 acres stretch of land, which has many amazing facilities such as a sports complex, beautiful gardens, and many other features. A group of about 30 students went there and experienced the beautiful combination of environment and technology.

SMS FAMILY EXTENDS A HELPING HAND



Our contributions for Goonj

In response to an appeal put forward by GOONJ, an NGO working for the rural and urban under privileged sections of society, the SMS family contributed 16 sacks of used bed sheets and sarees for our less fortunate brethren on 04 Nov, 2011.

PHOTO FEATURE



'Ramayana' in progress



Our budding footballers



The electrifying effect of the Electronics Club

PHOTO FEATURE



GVC Secondary group Silver award winners for the website-Stay Connected



Our Budding Quiz Wizards



Students learn to recycle tetrapacks



Our students engaging a grandparent in the video conferencing.