

# DISCOVER THIS

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... A School with a view

FREEDOM INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL,  
BANGALORE

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# From the Principal's Desk

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Another year has gone by faster than one can blink, with so many events, programmes, competitions, Olympiads in addition to our core academics. We continue to grow and explore uncharted waters, striving to provide the best for our children, ensuring that their talent and creativity is nurtured and encouraged at every stage.



Last year we brought out our first e-magazine and this year we continue the trend. Our children have done us proud in so many ways and we are back again to share it with you. I hope these articles and photographs of our ninth year of FIS will enthrall you as they did us. Our children are learning to be independent, self-confident and mature in their own view of the 21<sup>st</sup> century world. The times are changing and our children are preparing to face these changing times with panache.

I thank the editorial team for their efforts and am proud of the way they have done their job in the short time available to them, squeezed out of the myriad other things that take place during school hours. As we gear up for our 10<sup>th</sup> year, I wish the entire FIS family a great year ahead with smooth sailing and clear skies.

God bless!

**Jayanti Prabhakar**

# From the Editorial Desk

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A magazine is a reflection of the year gone by and the important events that happened in the year. This also provides a canvas which is painted by the creative expressions of our students and their achievements. The resultant medley provides a smorgasbord to our senses. As FIS greets the tenth year of its existence, we proudly present our magazine—DISCOVER FIS, our 2014-15 issue.

Giving birth to a magazine which can uphold the high traditions of FIS is a challenge that the school met head on. The ingredients for it consists of the articles submitted by the children, the meticulous editing and proofreading of each article, converting them into a soft copy and finally the creative design of each page with apt pictures and captions. These guided by systematic and detailed planning finally culminated in a crescendo and we present the result to you.

The enthusiasm of the children in submitting the variegated articles spanning multiple genres should be commended. The senior students helped in editing, typing and designing the pages of the magazine, squeezing out time from their packed daily schedule. This magazine is a true reflection of the heights that team work can achieve when shepherded and mentored in the right direction.

We liked reading the anecdotes given by the preprimary toddlers, the articles of our budding writers of the primary section, the interesting articles of the secondary section which will captivate your imaginations and the thought-provoking articles of classes IX and X. The Art section mesmerized me with its beautiful drawings and paintings. It may not be difficult for you to locate your articles as this issue of the magazine has all the articles arranged class-wise.

Last but not the least, we would like to thank Sushama ma'm for her whole-hearted support in this endeavour. This issue of the magazine would not have been possible without the constant motivation and encouragement provided to us by our dear Principal maám, Ms. Jayanti Prabhakar. I would be failing in my duty if I do not thank all the teachers and the students involved in this creative journey from the beginning to the end.

Hope all of you enjoy reading this issue, as much as we enjoyed putting it together for you.

**Sukanya R.**  
**Chief Editor**



# EDITORIAL TEAM

## DESIGNING TEAM

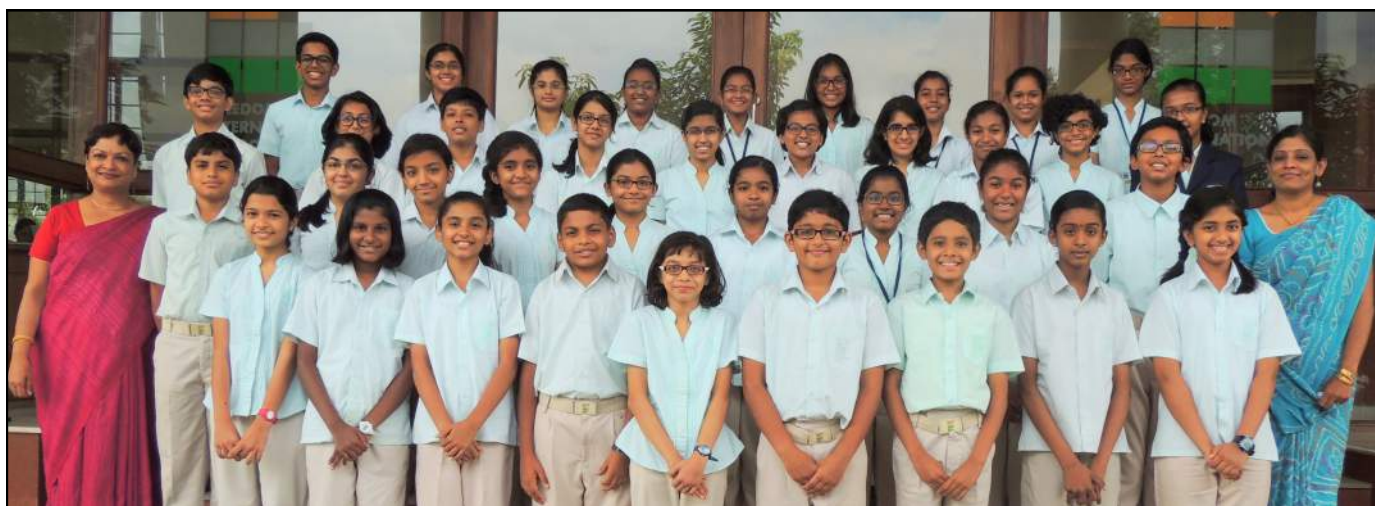


**Top Row:** Rohan, Harry Patel, Shaswat, Nitish (Absent), Anirudh Singh (Absent)

**Middle Row:** Advait Prakash, Anirudh Rowjee, Sagarika, Gayatri B, Niranjan, Nikhil (Absent)

**Bottom Row:** Principal Ma'am, Bhargav, Shreyas K, Shradha, Sowmya Nair, Avi Gupta, Sukanya Ma'am

## CHASING ARTICLES FROM THE CHILDREN, EDITING & TYPING —OUR CUB REPORTERS !



**Top Row:** Shathank, Nitya B, Aditi Rao, Rishita, Akankshya, Lavanya, Nischala, Aditi, Saikripa, Asha (Absent)

**Second Row:** Aryan, Sukruti, Mehul, Sharmeen, Ipshita, Shivanee Ravi, Vishi, Aadhyaa, Neha, Thushara, Prajna (Abs)

**Third Row:** Principal Ma'am, Tanush, Tanvi, Aditi K, Gauri, Vidita, Medha, Jaishree, Samhita, Ankur, Sukanya Ma'am

**Bottom Row:** Sanghamitra, Shivani, Mariam, Anoosh, Savvy, Yash, Surya, Anumita, Aparna, Shriyansh Mohanty (Abs)

# Our Budding Achievers!!

## LIST OF STUDENT AWARDEES AND AWARDS FROM THE SCIENCE OLYMPIAD FOUNDATION

| S.NO                                      | CLASS | STUDENT NAME     | STATE RANK | MEDAL  | GIFT                        | CERTIFICATE       |
|---|-------|------------------|------------|--------|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| <b>14<sup>TH</sup> NCO YEAR (2014-15)</b> |       |                  |            |        |                             |                   |
| 1   | 07    | SHRIANSH MOHANTY | 17         |        | ACADEMIC BOOKS              | MERIT CERTIFICATE |
| <b>8<sup>TH</sup> IMO YEAR (2014-15)</b>  |       |                  |            |        |                             |                   |
| 2   | 02    | ADVITHA RAO M    | 3          | BRONZE | ACADEMIC BOOKS WITH 1000 RS | MERIT CERTIFICATE |
| 3   | 04    | SRIJAN GHOSH     | 8          |        | ACADEMIC BOOKS              | MERIT CERTIFICATE |
| 4   | 05    | HARSH GUNDA      | 3          | BRONZE | ACADEMIC BOOKS WITH 1000 Rs | MERIT CERTIFICATE |
| 5   | 05    | KARAN R KINI     | 12         |        | ACADEMIC BOOKS              | MERIT CERTIFICATE |
| 6   | 09    | AVI GUPTA        | 7          |        | ACADEMIC BOOKS              | MERIT CERTIFICATE |
| <b>5<sup>TH</sup> IEO YEAR (2014-15)</b>  |       |                  |            |        |                             |                   |
| 7   | 03    | THOMAS MATHEW    | 103        |        | ACADEMIC BOOKS              | MERIT CERTIFICATE |
| 8   | 03    | KRISH RAMANATHAN | 114        |        | ACADEMIC BOOKS              | MERIT CERTIFICATE |
| 9   | 03    | ANIRUDHA B S     | 116        |        | ACADEMIC BOOKS              | MERIT CERTIFICATE |
| 10  | 10    | VIGNESH K KUMAR  | 2          | SILVER | ACADEMIC BOOKS WITH 2500 Rs | MERIT CERTIFICATE |
| 11  | 10    | HARRY PATEL      | 19         |        | ACADEMIC BOOKS              | MERIT CERTIFICATE |

### WINNERS

The below mentioned students have emerged as winners from our school for the year 2014-15 in SpellBee conducted by SpellBee International.

| S.No | Group | Name           | Class | Position   |
|------|-------|----------------|-------|--|
| 1.   | I     | Karshin D.     | I     | Top 5 in International Level                                 |
| 2.   | II    | Thanmay T.     |       | I Position in National Level,<br>III Position in State Level |
| 3.   | III   | Sanjana Venkat | III   | Top 5 in National Level, Top 10 in State Level               |
| 4.   | III   | Srijan Ghosh   | III   | Top 10 in State Level  |

# FIS - Soaring high!

## NAZARIYA PAINTING COMPETITION- 2014 SCHOOL TOPPERS

### **CATEGORY- SUB JUNIOR**

|                         |            |                 |
|-------------------------|------------|-----------------|
| 1. NITYA SHRI KANKIPATI | ( III B) - | 1 <sup>ST</sup> |
| 2. NAVYA JAIN           | ( III C) - | 2 <sup>ND</sup> |
| 3. RIDDI                | (III D) -  | 3 <sup>RD</sup> |

### **CATEGORY- JUNIOR**

|                   |          |                 |
|-------------------|----------|-----------------|
| 1. ANURAG DAS     | (IV C) - | 1 <sup>ST</sup> |
| 2. SAMHITA L      | (VI D) - | 2 <sup>ND</sup> |
| 3. MANTHANA HEGDE | (VI C) - | 3 <sup>RD</sup> |



### **CATEGORY-SENIORS**

|                      |            |                 |
|----------------------|------------|-----------------|
| 1. SHAHITHIYA        | (VIII B) - | 1 <sup>ST</sup> |
| 2. AKANKSHYA SINGH   | (VIII A) - | 2 <sup>ND</sup> |
| 3. REBECCA SEBASTIAN | (X) -      | 3 <sup>RD</sup> |

## ARTISTA-2014 (Inter School Painting Competition)

### **CATEGORY-LOWER PRIMARY**

|           |                            |
|-----------|----------------------------|
| 1. ANURAG | - 3 <sup>RD</sup> POSITION |
|-----------|----------------------------|

### **CATEGORY- MIDDLE SCHOOL**

|            |                            |
|------------|----------------------------|
| 1. AHANA.V | - 1 <sup>ST</sup> POSITION |
|------------|----------------------------|

### **CATEGORY-HIGH SCHOOL**

|                 |                            |
|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 1. SHAHITHIYA.R | - 1 <sup>ST</sup> POSITION |
|-----------------|----------------------------|

## SCOTCH CRAFT COMPETITION Inter School Craft Competition (Conducted by POGO)

|                      |        |
|----------------------|--------|
| NEHA KUNNATH         | - IV A |
| RISHI RAJ            | - II C |
| DHIKSHITHA BONGARALA | - IIC  |

# BERSERK -2014

The above competition was conducted at UB CITY, Bangalore. Over 2000 children from schools all over India took part in this prestigious event. 27 children were shortlisted for the workshop on various techniques in dance and art. We are proud that KAUSTUBH KULKARNI (X) and IPSHITA RAJ(VII A) of our school are amongst them.

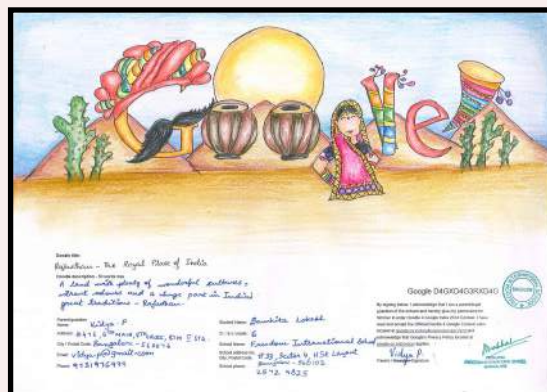
**ILLUMINANCE -2014**  
**CATEGORY- FLOWER ARRANGEMENT**

Meghana Ann Mathew (X) - Consolation Prize  
Sanchita Nippanikar (X) - Consolation Prize

Bhargav Kishor Kulkarni of class VIII and Navneet.R of class X were semi-finalists in the **WISSEN-2014** , Inter-School Quiz Competition conducted by GREENWOOD HIGH SCHOOL, BANGALORE.

# DOODLE4GOOGLE COMPETITION

Our student **SAMHITHA LOKESH** of class **VI** stood among the **top 30** finalists in the **DOODLE4GOOGLE** competition where the children had to design and paint a doodle for the **GOOGLE** home page which had about one million entries from all over the country.



The children took part in various other competitions

Designed by SAMHITA LOKESH

like TITAN GENIUS KIDS, INTER-SCHOOL QUIZ COMPETITION, NATIONAL LEVEL PAINTING COMPETITION conducted by the Central Power Research Institute, National Science Quiz conducted by the Visvesvaraya Technological Museum.



## **THE YEAR 2014-15 AT A GLANCE**

The year 2014-15 was an eventful year full of meaningful assemblies, co-curricular activities, competitions aplenty - all of which provided an ocean of opportunities for the children to indulge in. The FIS Sports Day, which was a spectacular show held in the month of December with a unique theme was an icing on the cake. Here is a round-up of the year gone-by.

**Independence Day:** This day was celebrated with great enthusiasm. The children of class V marched smartly to the beat and tune of the FIS band. Patriotic songs were sung and the dances instilled a spirit of love for our motherland.

**Choral Recitation:** This was a synchronised rendition of the poems interspersed with apt actions and right intonation. The Houses fought it out with colourful costumes and props!

**DEAR Programme -Drop Everything And Read:** Children love DEAR as it gives them an opportunity to sit glued to their seats with their favourite book. A stunning silence would have greeted you when you might have walked by the corridors as every child and teacher was immersed in his/her favourite book, magazine or newspaper.

**Elections to the School Cabinet:** Elections in FIS are held as per the procedure followed in any other election in the country. Students filed in their nomination papers with their election symbols, followed by the campaigning. On the day of elections, children voted candidates of their choice by secret ballot. The same day, counting was held in front of the students and the leaders were formally elected.

**Choir Singing:** This was an inter-house contest and a medley of Christmas carols was sung by all the four houses. Soon, the entire school sung the foot-tapping carols set to rhythm and beats.

**Heritage Day:** This day helps the children to understand the importance of India's rich culture and heritage which are passed on from generation to generation.

**Global Surya Namaskar Day:** This was a unique event conducted to spread awareness about yoga. All the children from classes VI to X assembled and performed twelve rounds of SuryaNamaskar. Surya Namaskar done early in the morning refreshes the mind, body and the soul.

**Outlive & PhotoOp:** Outlive tests the survival instincts of the participants while Photo Op is a test of a child's creativity with the shots captured on the lenses of their camera.

**Thyagaraja Aradhane:** Thyagaraja Aradhane is celebrated every year in the month of February at FIS as a tribute to the pioneer of Carnatic music, Shri Thyagaraja. Thyagaraja Kritis were sung in unison and the mesmerising music reverberated in the school building for a long time.



The school celebrates **Hindi Diwas** in September and the **Kannada Rajyotsava** in November with equal fervour. We have the morning assembly in Hindi/Kannada on the respective days, followed by competitions. The best part is the children and the teachers make an attempt to converse in Hindi/Kannada the whole day!

**Assemblies:** We look forward to the class assemblies as the classes perform assemblies on different themes like 'Organ Donation', 'Dreams', 'Child Labour', 'Friendship', 'Save trees' etc.

**Setting up an organic garden:** Class 7 students started their own organic garden as part of their integrated project. It was launched to celebrate Vanamahotsava . Each group was given a plot to nurture. The students' pleasure in little things even the discovery of an earthworm on their plot was a reason to celebrate and of course being a student of FIS they had to check if it does actually regenerate. They successfully grew groundnut, pumpkins, beans, cauliflower, ladyfingers, spinach, mint, coriander, green gram, aloe, basil, hibiscus and vinca.

**Field Trips:** Every field trip in FIS is eagerly looked forward to by the children. Field trips are extremely informative and pertaining to their day-to-day learning.

**CMCA: Campaign on Child Safety:** Children's Movement for Civic Awareness (CMCA) initiated a campaign wherein informative stalls were put up and interactions were held with the parents to make them aware as well as conscious of their responsibilities in ensuring the safety and security of the children from their end. This campaign was consciously organized on a Parent Teacher Meeting Day, so as to ensure maximum participation from various stakeholders.



**CHORAL RECITATION**



**FIS ELECTIONS — ELECT  
YOUR CANDIDATE**



**HINDI DIWAS CELEBRATIONS**







## KANNADA RAJYOTSAVA



## PHOTO OP—CREATIVITY AT ITS BEST !



**HERITAGE DAY**



**BEAUTIFUL DANCERS**



**I SOLEMNLY SWEAR.....**



**GRADUATION DAY**



**FIS WILL MISS YOU!**



**GOODBYE, CLASS X**





**THYAGARAJA ARADHANE**



**FIS AT RAJBHAVAN**



**OUTLIVE**



**CMCA—PILLAR FACELIFT**



**GLOBAL SURYANAMASKAR DAY**



**DROP EVERYTHING AND READ**





**JAI HIND!**



**HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY**



**HAPPY CHILDREN'S DAY**



**TU-TU-TU TU MERI-RI-RI**



**COOKING WITHOUT FIRE**



**CHOIR SINGING**





# FIS Assemblies- At a glance





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**In the editor's shoes: from fear to excitement**

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## **FIS SPORTS DAY**

It was yet another Sports Day at Freedom International School, but this time the field looked as if there was a circus in town! Circus tents held the spectators. Spectacular, larger than life, circus based props adorned strategic places on the field. Children displayed circus skills! There were jugglers and tight rope walkers, clowns and magicians, bears and lions doing their parts in their colourful outfits. The colourful races had the tiny tots perform different tasks all the way to the finish line and each and every one was a winner and received a medal each! The Pre Primary to Class II Sports meet was on the 28th of November 2014.

On 29th November, it was the turn of the Senior School to display their skills. The competition was tough as the Houses battled away for points. The Cheer Leading Competition had the girls cheering for their Houses with synchronised actions as they moved to groovy beats, waving their colourful pom-poms. The Inter House Relay races had the children's pulses racing as they rooted for their Houses. There were races for the parents and Support Staff too on both the days!

The final display was simply spectacular as the children put up one mesmerising act after the other which included acts on rings suspended high in the air! The spectators were spellbound and the children were in a frenzy as a circus auto rickshaw ferried clowns around the field to announce the commencement and culmination of the grand circus display!



**MARCHING SMARTLY**





# FIS Sports Day



**FIS CHEER-LEADERS!**





# Circus at a glance



**CIRCUS—VIRCUS**

**PELICAN  
HOUSE—  
SPORTS DAY  
WINNERS—  
ELATED &  
JUBILANT**



## WORK AND PLAY

When we wake up each day of our holidays, we do the things we love! Wake up late, take our own sweet time to clean up as we do not need to rush to catch up with the usual routine. Hey, that's fine! Yet, can we go on in the same manner throughout the whole of the vacation? Yes! If the things we love to do include a bit of reading, gardening, swimming, cooking, playing a sport, painting, even building a fence (literally!)



On a trip, your backpack must include a diary and/or a sketch book...fill it in with little notes/sketches about bridges and lakes, fields and hillsides, cliffs and seashores, people and food... The best learning in life comes out of the experiences gained while travelling especially when travel does not mean confining oneself to “high end” luxury. One has to actually hit the roads to have a wholesome affair! Who knows! Your little notes and sketches may end up being one of the best travelogues on the shelves!

Well, what about the usual, mundane, working day? Work could be a drudgery if you do not have a passion for it. You need to make time for work and play! A spoonful of sugar makes the medicine go down! Certain things in life need to be done at particular stages in the very short time period leased out for human beings. Students have to spend time poring over their books, practising, calculating, writing, reading or doing research for projects that could be research for life skills that you may imbibe during the whole process! The ability needed to make that note or sketch during your leisure trip maps back to the reading, writing and drawing skills grasped at school!

Let's make the best use of everything we are offered at every stage in our lives.....  
Work hard, play hard!

~Clara David  
Vice Principal

WORK HARD  
PLAY HARD

## **UPGRADATION....PAINFULLY FRUITFUL!!**

The date towards the inspection grew close! The whole of FIS not only the teachers and students but even the admin, front office and security too geared up for the event! Get the files ready!.....was the order of the day! Files of every category, colour, grade and thickness right from the Admin department to the drama club began to gather in Sushma ma'am's room, popularly known as the 'Board Room'. Our Principal Mrs. Jayanti Prabhakar, personally went through every page of every file! A mammoth task indeed!

The inspectors came, gave their verdict. Positive! Every single aspect was in order! Now for the LETTER from the CBSE! We waited.....and waited and at last we were granted the affiliation to start our Senior Secondary Classes! There was a frenzy of activity as we shortlisted our teachers and went through the tiresome routine of corrections of the entrance papers of the student aspirants to the Sr. Secondary Section.

We finally got the desired teachers who are carrying forward the torch of learning. Yes! Keeping up the standards in the teaching learning process is a challenge! It brought back the memories of our first small batch of Class X students where all the teachers were so focussed on their performance that they had no option but to perform better than their best. They were our special batch and we refer to them till today.

Our expectations were clearly communicated at our very first Orientation Programme for the parents and students of Class XI. The tiny group of our eleventh graders are themselves the cynosure of everyone's attention, the apple of our eyes! Curiosity spread all over the school, especially on the senior floor where children were finding excuses to go to the end of the corridor where Class XI was located just to peep! Class XI Children are looked upon in awe!

We stand united in our mission to keep the flag of FIS flying high! Three cheers to FIS!

**Pushpa Narayanan**

**Secondary Coordinator**



## WHERE ARE WE GOING?

Meg Wolitzer once said of our young adults:

*"The generation that had information, but no context. Butter, but no bread. Craving, but no longing."*

As a human race the more development we see the more we appear to lose out on our core values. As we progress and develop newer technologies we seem to make our lives even more complicated. We are all deeply entrenched in the race to succeed. Where we had our joint families to share the burden and also carry the weaker member along, today we do it all on our own. Our children do not understand the concept of one toy to be shared by all or hand me downs or even sharing one chocolate with others in the house. Children today have lost out on the rich culture and values handed down by the elders through stories. They grow up to be self-involved and most often unable to bear any failure. Today children are immersed in their gadgets and appear emotionally challenged. Even a one year old toddler is capable of operating our smart phones with much more ease than we display. They are so used to the fast pace of television and games on their PSP's, that they are unable to concentrate any more on the more placid pleasures of reading or simply sitting back and enjoying some craft or art.



Members of a family may not be connected with each other within the four walls of their home however the same members will be superficially though, connected with their wide network of friends the world over. Compared to even 5 years ago today in schools we see more and more children with a short attention span or hyper active and unable to sit still or even children requiring special care. We must ask ourselves is this what we want for the next generation? Is this the future we envisioned for our children? We need to stop and take a hard look at ourselves and our lifestyles.

How can we bring about a change for a generation that is used to instant gratification?

There are no easy shortcuts or even sure fire methods to guide them. We can only hope to spend as much quality time as possible with them, gently steering them through their choices, being patient and most importantly learning to say "No" when required. After all it is up to us as parents or guardians to steer them in the right path to make them confident, secure and successful individuals.

This reminds me of Simin Hashemiza's words:

*"Showing charity towards others is the biggest lesson we can teach our children to guide them in their future on this planet. "*

Sneha Rai  
Primary Coordinator



## I HAVE THE MOST WONDERFUL JOB IN EXISTENCE !!!

It's story time in our class, I pick up a book and start narrating a story with over exaggerated actions, silly and funny expressions and I have thirty pairs of eyes look at me and ears that hear me uninterrupted.....

During art time I find blue coloured apples, red coloured sky and rainbow colored mangoes..... It's so much fun to watch children draw and colour because they are all artists. They have open minds and open hearts and because of that they are able to create the most amazing masterpieces, they don't over think it, they are carefree and their art work..... It's just so beautiful !!!

It's the first week after the school reopens and I find young parents themselves almost in tears after they drop their little ones near their classes. This changes dramatically after a month or so when I find children who do not want to go back after school.

I find six year olds helping their three year old siblings with their bags on the stairs and they also run up to me to introduce their little siblings.

During snack time I find sheer joy in a child's face as he peeps into his snack box because today his mom has packed his favourite snack!! He comes up to me and makes me guess what's inside and if I get it right, he is amazed at my ability to guess!!!

I find a little one from Nursery call his own classmate 'baby' and console him because he has been crying for his Mom.

I am lucky enough to witness all this and more on a regular basis.

Most of the days pass uneventfully wherein we draw and colour, we run and play, we read and write, we sing and dance, we make friends, we learn manners and values along with all this we make friends, develop friendships and discover life.

There are so many wonderful parts in the Pre-Primary that I love.....

I love the fact that being with children helps me stay connected to my own inner child. Working with young children connects me to an innocent view of the world. How many of us get the pure pleasure of watching children digging in sand, playing with bubbles, splashing water, trying to read a book for the first time or to be a helicopter yourself one day or a silly clown the next?

I love the unconditional love children give in the kindergarten. I could be tired and exhausted at the end of the class and one of the kids just walks up to me and give me a Hi-five! Or a hug if I am lucky!! That is something you never see in the adult world.

There is nothing that can be as fulfilling as witnessing a child who doesn't even know how to speak, confidently spell his name and write it down or to read a book with ease. There are so many wonderful parts of my job that I could go on and on. I would have to say that the most amazing part is getting to be part of such a wonderful stage of development in a child's life.

**Parvathi**

**Preprimary Coordinator**



## THIS CHILD

*This child is mine,  
Do you see her dimple?  
She got it from me.  
I wasn't as good  
As she is now  
Not even so neat or clean  
But if ever she makes you want to slap  
Remember the cheek that turns red will be mine.*



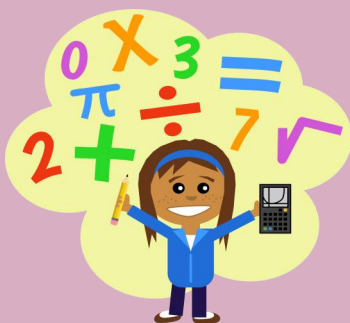
~Jayanti Prabhakar  
Principal

## MATH, THE TRANSFORMER

My interest for Math bloomed at the age of 10. It was more out of fear for the teacher rather than out of involvement towards the subject. The subject that was compelled on me slowly and unknowingly turned into a lasting passion. I hail from the town of Pondicherry which is known for its humid climate. Even in the hot and arid months of June and July, I used to work out Math problems as soon as I returned home without even switching on the fan. I know you are all thinking that I am insane. But this induced me to focus and challenge myself to complete the task quickly, being oblivious of the discomfort it caused. The fruitful results I obtained through this rigorous practice helped me to develop an intrinsic desire to master more challenging problems.

Gradually, Math became the foundation stone in building my character. Today I am able to do my tasks in an impromptu manner without getting stressed. Thus with my experience I can vouch for the fact that interest towards Math will yield better problem solving abilities, better time management, more organizational skills and the ability to prioritize tasks and face challenges with a lot of confidence. Last but not the least, it has taught me to value time and be disciplined both in my

personal as well as professional life. I have earned the name of being a scrupulous mentor among my students. If I can make a child love Math, then I am content. I ask for nothing more!



~Manju Chacko  
Teacher

## ARE YOU GAME FOR THE GAME?



Every accomplishment starts with the decision to try. Winning is not everything but the effort to win is. Winning and losing are very much part of our life and it is very important for us to ensure that children are taught to win and lose graciously. Children are prodigiously competitive while playing games. They are influenced by the media which includes elements of competition where the defeated ones are looked down upon. Children should be motivated in such a way that they play to have fun rather than to win. It's alright to lose sometimes. A child who has a record of throwing tantrums can be mentally prepared before a game.

Sometimes parents/teachers too need to be careful when they make comments like 'this child can't do it' and 'he lost the last time too', etc. This sends a message that winning is everything and the children tend to get very emotional or upset whenever they lose. The issue is that they link success in competition to self-esteem so the reaction should be similar whether they win or not. ("We're proud of you, you tried your best.") By preparing the children to face the realities of winning or losing, you are helping them to build emotional resilience. When this happens, they are all set to face the war graciously.

Vinaya,  
Nursery

## REASON OR RHYME

*Pull up your socks,*

*Think out of the box.*

*Wander in a maze of mirth,*

*For who was serious by birth?*

*Meander in the lanes of nonsense.*

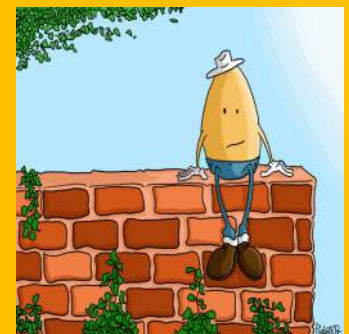
*You might find Humpty Dumpty sitting not on a wall, but fence.*

*The goosey wanders because it's a confused gander.*

*How do baked birds sing when the pie is opened, point to ponder.*

*Alice did not enjoy herself even in wonderland.*

*I say, two birds in a bush look real good if you don't have one in hand.*



*They say there's a method even in madness,*

*And every poem does rhyme.*

*That is why a stitch in time,*

*Saves not ten, but nine.*

~ Nipun

LKG

## FERMAT AND HIS LAST THEOREM

Most of you might think of Math as a boring subject. In the history of Maths there are many interesting stories. I am going to tell you about one such story which is filled with suspense and intrigue that kept the world of mathematicians guessing for more than 300 hundred years!

The story begins in the 16<sup>th</sup> century in the French country side. The hero's name is Pierre de Fermat. He was a lawyer in Toulouse but he became famous for his work as an amateur mathematician.

Fermat was a peculiar character whose self-confidence in his abilities as a mathematician bordered on the arrogant. He was very fond of teasing his fellow mathematicians by proposing new mathematical theorems and challenging them to find the proofs of the theorem. Many a time, his fellow mathematicians would be able to come up with proofs and if not, Fermat would himself provide the proof. Well, up to this point we have not heard anything which would make Fermat a notable figure. Why are we discussing him today more than 300 years after his time?

His main claim to fame is a very interesting theorem which is popularly known as "Fermat's last theorem". This theorem came to light after Fermat's death. This was found by Fermat's son scribbled in the margin of a math book used by Fermat. As usual Fermat did not provide the proof but claimed that he had a marvelous proof for the same. The theorem is a very simple theorem that can be understood by any high school math student. This theorem states that "no three positive integers  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  can satisfy the equation  $a^n + b^n = c^n$  for any integer value of  $n$  greater than two.

This innocuous looking theorem proposed by Fermat was expected to be proven pretty soon by any one of the eminent mathematicians who lived at that time. Especially since Fermat had written that he himself had come up with a "marvelous" proof for this theorem.

But history had something else in store. This theorem proved to be a tough nut to crack. Many mathematicians around the world spent their entire careers in pursuit of the proof to the now famous 'Fermat's last theorem' but the proof remained elusive. Although attempts to prove it were not successful, it led to the development of many new areas in Mathematics especially in Number theory.

For more than 350 years this remained the most difficult riddle in Mathematics and was in the Guinness Book of World Records as the most difficult math problem ever. Finally, in the year 1993, a British mathematician named Andrew Wiles provided the first peer accepted proof for the Fermat's last theorem. Thus the most difficult problem in the world of mathematics was solved. Although Andrew provided the proof, he could only do it using techniques and tools in mathematics that had not yet been developed during Fermat's time. And to understand the proof you need to be a highly skilled mathematician.

So what kind of proof did Fermat have? Or did he actually have a proof for his last theorem? Maybe one of you will grow up and be able to come up with a far simpler proof for Fermat's last theorem.

### *Fermat's Last theorem*

*There are no three positive integers  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  for which*

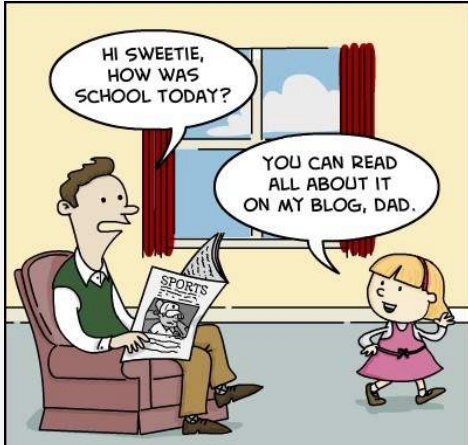
$$x^n + y^n = z^n$$

*for any integer  $n > 2$*

~Sowmya Nair  
Teacher

## GENERATION GAP

Shakespeare's plays were written generations ago. Then how is it we relate to his plays even today? The answer is clear. Shakespeare wrote about human emotions. He wrote about human relationships and human nature. And human nature remains constant. Something that ensures that there never was and never will be that little thing the kids nowadays are calling an emotional disconnect. Let me start off with a simple example. When a son goes to his father with a problem, you will often hear the father say, "I have been there." This is because every situation has its historical parallel; it's only the people involved that change through the years. Therefore, the father can relate to his son's emotions at that time. Emotional disconnect, I think not. We seem to be



forgetting the one thing that we have, that can totally destroy any chance of an emotional disconnect-communication. Communication is the key to demolishing this so-called emotional disconnect. As long as we make an effort to communicate clearly with our parents, then the words emotional disconnect will not have any meaning left. All of us must agree that a parent and a child share the most primary relationship on this planet. No technology, war, or barrier can ever come between the bonds a parent and a child share.

~Sujatha M  
Teacher

## THE WORLD AT THEIR FEET

Do you remember the days when we were young? Grade 10 was a decisive year. We burnt the midnight oil and worked towards getting a Science seat in a decent college. If we failed to get the desired percentage, we were doomed. The next option was Commerce and for the even lower grades, it was finally the arts. It was rare that a student opted for an art seat out of personal interest and choice. The science students then focused towards getting their desired engineering or medical seat in a reputed college. The commerce students moved on to do their B.Com. and if lucky, then a CA or an MBA. The Arts students moved on to do their B.A. and if possible, M.A. later on. The career choices were extremely limited and there were doctors, engineers and OTHERS.

But the times have changed now and how!!!! The kind of career options that the kids of this generation have is truly amazing! There is a career for everybody that suits their interests and capabilities. There is a career in dance, in animation, in advertising, in dramatics, in music, in cooking, in fashion, in anything that the child wants to do. They just have to dream and pursue their interests. So as parents and teachers it is up to us to recognize the interests and talents of our children, encourage them, nurture them and give them wings that they need, to fly in this world full of opportunities. Let us make it possible together and help our children to fulfill their dreams and aspirations!

~Shipra Bhat  
Teacher



## ALIENATION WITHIN

Which country are you from? How do you find India? Are you Chinese? Such and many more similar questions bombarded us during the years we spent in various cities across the country to pursue higher studies. We were far away from our hometown and the feeling of alienation was overwhelming. The feeling that you are at home yet distant and the lack of belongingness! The kind of feeling you get when you are alienated among your people. It was hard to explain it to your own friends, acquaintances and others. It was hard to convince them that we are true Indians at heart just like the rest of you. We belong here. This is our nation too. The sense of patriotism is just the same. Many wondered where we came from. We look very different, our culture, tradition, attire, food habits and many other things are different too. But then isn't our country known for its diversity? Well, of course!

However, reality gradually dawned on us that very little is known about our region, the North East, which comprises of seven states. The geography of the region is not very popular. I belong to Manipur, (literally meaning the 'Jeweled Land'), a state nestled in the lush green corner of north eastern India. It is bounded by Nagaland to the north, Mizoram to the south and Assam to the west; Myanmar lies to its east.

Manipur is surrounded by blue green hills with an oval shaped valley in the center. The place is rich in art and tradition. It lies on a melting pot of cultures where polo had its origin. This is also the place where Rajashree Bhagyachandra created the famous Ras Lila, the classical dance of Manipur, out of his enchanting dream by the grace of Lord Krishna. The folk dances are equally enchanting as they reveal the mythological creation of the state.

Loktak Lake, the largest freshwater lake in northeast India is famous for the phumdis (heterogeneous mass of vegetation, soil, and organic matter at various stages of decomposition) floating over it. Keibul Lamjao, the only floating national park in the world floats over it.

The history, geography, arts, people, sports, flora and fauna and many other aspects about the state and its existence can make for several pages of interesting reading. There's so much more than just meets the eye. One just needs to explore and discover what lies beyond the horizon and get to know a little known but fascinating corner of our country.

~Ranjeeta

Nursery





## TEACHER'S ROLE – THE CHANGING DYNAMICS

The school was buzzing with excitement. Both the houses were ready to prove their mettle. The enthusiastic students were eager to put forward relevant arguments with spontaneity as they were getting ready to debate on the topic: Technology can replace teachers.

The points put forward by the proposing teams were:

- Internet and the recent advances in online instruction and adaptive learning were harbingers of teacher obsolescence.
- It helps them develop their proficiency, aids them in keeping with rapid pace of technological development.
- They get the required information at the click of a button.
- The audios/videos used in the smart classes hardly leave any room of a teacher to explain anything.

When they were engrossed in locking horns over words, I had to leave.....Duty beckoned!

The next day with the words resonating in my mind, I entered the school premises only to be surrounded by students wishing, 'Happy Teachers' Day'. Some of them wished by giving cards, some gave flowers and some presented bouquets. With my mind still whirling around the smart classes and the gadgets technology has gifted us, I opened the cards one by one:



*The best teachers teach from the heart not from the book. Ma'am you are the best!*

*A good teacher is like a candle, it consumes itself to light the way for others.*

*As you inspired others, you added meaning to my life too. Thanks for being a great inspirer.*

I couldn't read more cards. Were these quotations and heartfelt messages mere words? I woke up from my reverie when someone touched my hand gently...a child from class II stood in front of me with a bowl of toffees. I smiled faintly looked into her eyes, eyes that were gleaming, eyes that were filled with love and reverence and I realized all was not lost. Technology may provide an ocean of knowledge but teachers help the students to distinguish between the desirable and undesirable and apply the knowledge acquired. They do not simply impart knowledge but with their passion and dedication create a conducive environment for learning, create a culture of independent enquiry and make the students independent learners. Virtual reality may help the students to keep pace with the changes happening in the world but it cannot teach to empathize or trust. *As Aristotle says, "Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all."* The next day, I walked into my class with my head held high....

~Malati Porje

Teacher

# ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Artificial Intelligence is described as the intelligence exhibited by machines or software. The term brings to mind the image of a robot intelligent enough to do jobs by itself or to the more adventurous minds of humanoids like the ones in Star Trek. Artificial Intelligence came into existence owing to the human desire to create an artificial being with human like intelligence, for intelligence is the central property of human beings which sets them apart from all life forms. This very reason makes the AI field an interdisciplinary field including computer science, mathematics, psychology, philosophy and neuroscience.

The complexity of a human brain is often an underestimated subject. A simple process such as recognising an object, for example a book, takes into account various processes starting from the eye capturing the image and sending the image to the brain which in turn has to recognise the image as a book and find the word for it in the language known to the brain (for example English) and instruct the mouth to say it aloud. This makes simulating the brain a tremendous task and hence the need for so many fields in the study of AI.

The applications of AI which are commonly heard of are robotics, gaming, medicine and the military. There are some surprising applications which we would not have thought of. Some of them are:

**Journalism**-A lot of articles are being written by computers mainly in the area of business reports.

**Transportation** - Driverless cars have become a reality and there are trucks and airlines and trains running in autopilot mode.

**Emergency Services** - It makes sense to use robots rather than put the life of a human being in danger. We are talking about services like firefighting or cleaning of hazardous spills to name a few. The Navy uses this technology at sea.

**Customer Service** - Automated online assistants are already being used by a lot of businesses.

The applications of AI are innumerable and it will involve lots of money and time for researchers to develop these applications and bring them into the practical world. Even as philosophical issues are raised about the nature of mind and there is general fear about the implications of generating artificial beings with human-like intelligence , the truth is that general intelligence is a long term goal and till then human beings will strive to generate whatever little they understand about their own brain because to be able to simulate something they need to understand it in the first place and our knowledge about our own brain is in itself quite small when compared to its capability.



Vidya Suraj  
Computer Teacher

## THANK YOU

*The beautiful world which surrounds me  
Thanks for the eyes for I can see.  
Holding my finger, my child stands  
I thank God for giving me hands  
Asking her doubts and sharing her fears  
I thank God that I have ears  
Now she is with me, I can tell  
I feel blessed, as her baby soft skin, I smell  
Kissing her hands and finger tips  
Thank you God for giving me lips  
Young and smart, and full of zeal  
Thanks for the heart which makes me feel  
Only with good thoughts I float, not sink  
Thanks for the brain with which I think  
Ups and downs though every day I meet  
I thank you God for making me complete.*

Aakshi  
Teacher



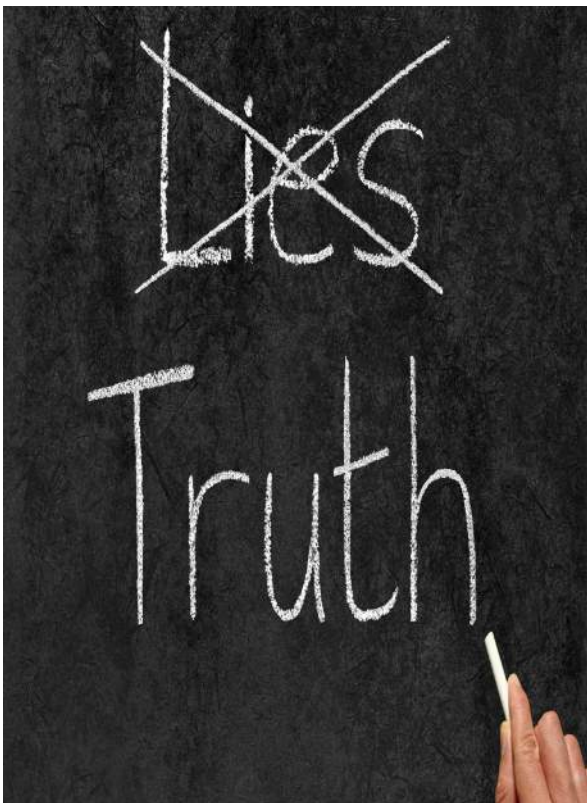
## TRUTH IS LIFE

*The truth is never hidden,  
It will come out in the open.  
Our world is small and round,  
Everything will come back in a bound!  
So better be careful with what you are up  
to,  
Do good and it will come back to you too!  
Be honest, kind and sincere in whatever  
you do,  
And for this, God will definitely bless you!*

*In a nice, simple and humble way,  
And that you do every single day.  
Always do love, care and share,  
In every way always be fair!  
It's not only for you,  
It's for all of us too!  
Once, we all behave this way,  
We can look forward to better days!  
This is the one and only way  
To make our world a better place!*

~Jacqueline Lobo John

Teacher





## STRETCH YOUR VOCABULARY

*Vocabulary is the best single indicator of intellectual ability and an accurate predictor of success at school. -- W.B. Elley*

When I was a student, my English teacher would give us a list of five words after every lesson and we needed to look up the words in a dictionary and frame sentences out of these words in our classwork notebooks. Did it really help? I really do not know.

In our school, we introduce a new word every week for our students. The children look up its meaning in the dictionary and orally frame sentences out of the word. The word is constantly reiterated and reused throughout the week. This definitely makes a difference, more so, when a word is used often, the child understands not only the meaning but also its usage in a sentence.

The new word need not be a never-heard or a rarely heard word, but it should be a word which can be used by the children in their day-to-day conversation. A word which a child can relate to, is likely to be learnt with greater enthusiasm than a word given just because it sounds very different and complicated.

*For example: words like exhilarating, oblivious, hinder, eloquent, adamant etc. will make more sense to a child than words like collywobblers, kench, jargogle etc.*

A good vocabulary does not mean using fancy, interesting words to confuse or impress other people. In fact, a good vocabulary helps in using the correct word in the correct context.

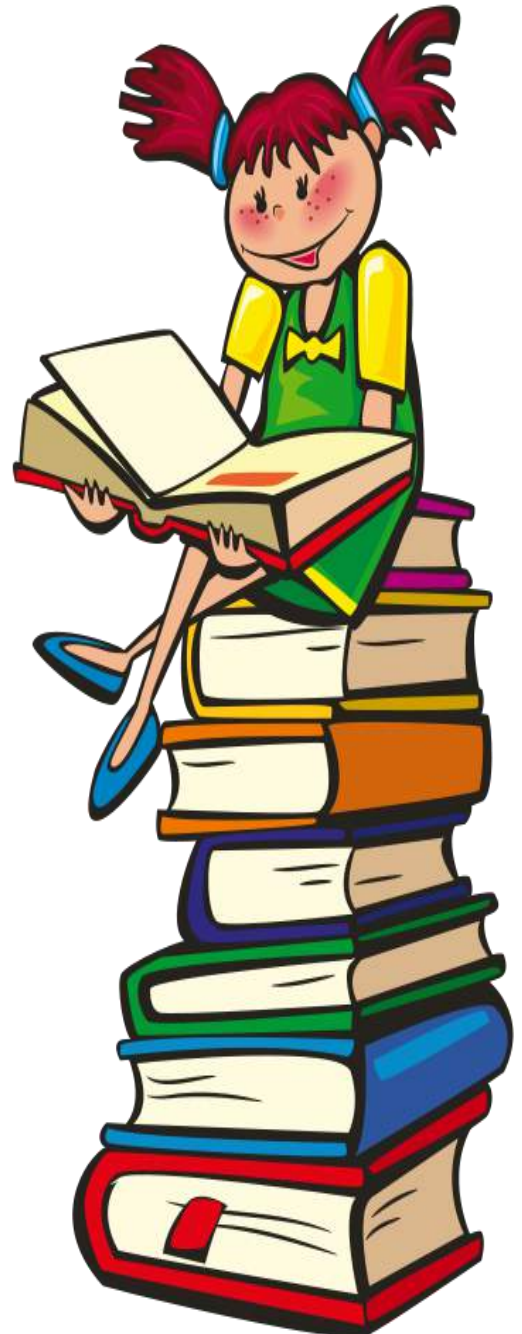
*For example: synonyms of calm: serene, tranquil, quiet, peaceful, restful, sangfroid, poise, aplomb*

*We require knowing the usage of the above words in different contexts. When we talk about the waters of the sea being calm or the weather being calm, we can use serene waters, tranquil waters, quiet and peaceful weather. When we talk about emotions and feelings, we can use poise, sangfroid, aplomb etc.*

There are some ways to help improve your vocabulary. Always look up a complex word in a dictionary. Create your own lexicon and keep adding words to it. Keep revising the words that you have learnt, and use them as much as you can. Make the dictionary and thesaurus your friends. Play word games with your friends and try solving the newspaper crossword every day. Read whatever you can lay your hands on and be a voracious reader.

To conclude, do you want to be a logophile? Be one and you will surely love it!!

(Here is a new word for you, are you with your dictionary?)



~Sukanya

Teacher



## TECHNOLOGY - RIGHT USE IN OUR LIVES

With the ever increasing access and overindulgence in technology, our social norms are being lost or threatened for our children. While technology offers tremendous benefits, it also poses some major threats for maintaining strong family bonds and cultivating social skill development.

It is therefore important to address children's increasing dependence on technology and potential resistance to social interaction. As a parent of two growing children, I too face these challenges on a daily basis. The process of weaning your child off technology will take time and patience.



- Parents should first start with a goal of what technology should be used for.
- Supervision of the use of technology is very important as the child can be easily misguided in the World Wide Web.
- Encourage children to get information by questioning, thinking and reading. Merely searching the web for information does not improve their thinking capacity.
- As a starter, emphasize dinner time together without any gadgets.
- Make one evening every week free for family time/ outings where no technology is involved.

So, as a parent, if we learn to use it properly and wisely, we bring up a child who matures socially, maintains strong family bonds, and uses technology wisely and effectively.

~R.Mahalakshmi

UKG

## A PLEASANT CO-INCIDENCE TO BE

During the New Year vacation, we went to an amusement park. My children were impatiently waiting to go for water rides. They insisted that I go with them too. As I am not very comfortable when it comes to high rides that move like the whirlwind, I was in a fix. Suddenly, I heard a voice with a heavy American accent, "Aunty, I'll take you, there's nothing to be scared of, literally!" I looked at the boy - a cute, fair, chubby kid of 2<sup>nd</sup> Standard. He took me and my kids through all rides, guiding us at every step while sharing all his experiences in the US. I asked his nationality. "I am an Indian. All my cousins are here. We have just relocated to Bangalore", said he.

At around 3pm, he came to bid goodbye to us. I was upset at the thought of not seeing the lovely boy again. I clicked his pictures and we parted. We came back home and on many occasions, we discussed the boy - his friendly behavior, helpful nature, enthusiasm etc. Two months passed by, school reopened and we got busy with our daily routine. One day, when we came back from school, my kids suddenly came running towards me full of excitement and said, "Mummy, just guess who has come to our apartment?" The next moment, I saw someone who I had never expected to meet.

"Aunty, we have bought a flat in this apartment", he said. I was ecstatic and hugged the little boy whom we had met at the park. I thought what could be more co-incidental; than this!

~Uma Sharma

LKG

आहिस्ता चल जिंदगी

आहिस्ता चल जिंदगी,अभी  
कई कर्ज चुकाना बाकी है  
कुछ दर्द मिटाना बाकी है  
कुछ फर्ज निभाना बाकी है

रफ्तार में तेरे चलने से  
कुछ रूठ गए कुछ छूट गए  
रूठों को मनाना बाकी है  
रातों को हँसाना बाकी है

कुछ रिश्ते बनकर टूट गए  
कुछ जुड़ते-जुड़ते छूट गए  
उन टूटे -छूटे रिश्तों के  
ज़ख्मों को मिटाना बाकी है

कुछ हसरतें अभी अधूरी हैं  
कुछ काम भी और ज़रूरी हैं  
जीवन की उलझ पहेली को  
पूरा सुलझाना बाकी है

जब साँसों को थम जाना है  
फिर क्या खोना, क्या पाना है  
पर मन के ज़िद्दी बच्चे को  
यह बात बताना बाकी है

आहिस्ता चल जिंदगी ,अभी  
कई कर्ज चुकाना बाकी है  
कुछ दर्द मिटाना बाकी है  
कुछ फ़र्ज निभाना बाकी है !

प्रीति अरोरा  
हिन्दी अध्यापिका



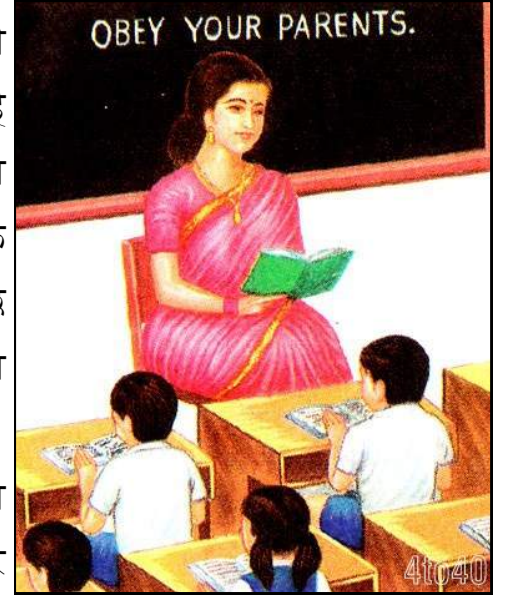
## "बच्चों के शौक को प्रोत्साहन दें"

अभिभावक हमेशा यही चाहते हैं कि कक्षा में या किसी भी प्रतियोगिता में उनका बच्चा प्रथम आए, यदि ऐसा नहीं होता है तो वे झल्ला उठते हैं और प्यार भरे शब्दों या दिलासा तथा प्रोत्साहन की जगह उन्हें दूसरे बच्चों से कम आँकते हैं। क्या सिर्फ प्रथम आने से योग्यता सिद्ध होती है? क्या बच्चा आपसे पूछ सकता है कि आपने कितनी प्रतियोगिताओं में प्रथम स्थान पाया है?

अगर हमें बच्चों को हर क्षेत्र में आगे बढ़ते देखना है तो पहले और दूसरे स्थान की चिंता न करके बच्चे ने कितना ध्यान लगाकर सीखा, क्या उसे रुचि है या नहीं, इस बात को महत्व देना चाहिए।

एक घटना याद आती है, एक बार मेरी मित्र रेखा को उसकी बहुत पुरानी मित्र मोना मिली। मोना ने रेखा को परिवार सहित अपने घर खाने पर बुलाया। रेखा जब उसके घर गयी तो मोना ने अपने बेटे से मिलवाया। रेखा ने उसके शौक पूछे तो बच्चा बेहद उत्साह से फुटबॉल आदि के विषय में बताने लगा। तभी गणित के अंकों के बारे में बात होने लगी। बच्चे अंदर खेलने चले गए। मोना ने रेखा से कहा, मेरे बेटे का पढ़ने में मन नहीं लगता। सारा समय फुटबॉल खेलता रहता है। परेशान हो गई हूँ। अब दो-दो ट्यूशन लगवा दी हैं। न फ़ालतू वक़्त होगा, न ध्यान भटकेगा। कुछ समय बाद रेखा ने मोना को अपने घर बुलाया। रेखा ने अपने बेटे को गिटार बजाने को कहा। इतना सुंदर गिटार सुनकर मोना हैरान हो गई। तब रेखा बोली, "मित्र बच्चों को प्रोत्साहन की ज़रूरत होती है। इनकी पसंद को प्रोत्साहन दोगे तो पढ़ाई में भी इसका मन लगेगा। मेरा बेटा गिटार तो बजाता ही है, अपनी कक्षा में अच्छे अंक भी लाता है। मोना को मित्र की बात समझ आ गई।

यदि हर अभिभावक अपने बच्चों के मन में कुछ नया सीखने के शौक को समझें और सहयोग दें तो निश्चित रूप से अपने जीवन की दौड़ में और सुखी भविष्य में उनका बालक प्रथम स्थान पा सकता है।



मृदुला माहेश्वरी  
हिन्दी अध्यापिका

A teacher presents the past,  
reveals the present, and creates  
the future.

## ಹಳ್ಳಿಯ ಮನೆ

ಆಹಾ....! ನೋಡಲು ಬಲು ಚಂದ

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ದೂರದ ಊರಿನ ಹಳ್ಳಿ ಮನೆ



ಕನ್ನಡ ಶಿಕ್ಷಕರು

ಜಿ. ನಾರಾಯಣಸ್ವಾಮಿ



## ನೆನಪುಗಳು

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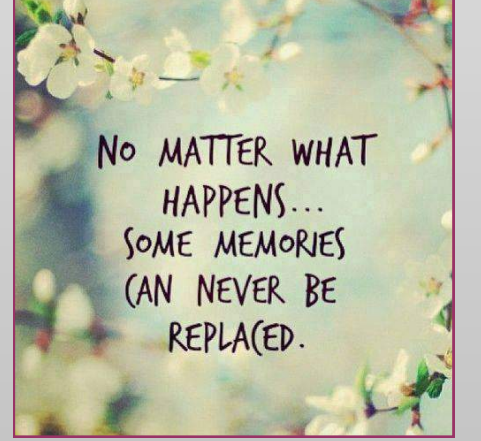
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# The Novel Nursery..

Fruit salad day: The teachers were slicing an apple and showing the seeds to the children.

Vidyut - "I want to eat the seeds."

Yuvraj - "If you eat the seeds, a tree will grow from your head."

Aishi was sharing her sanitizer with her teachers but refused to share with Nandhitha. Nandhitha immediately said, "Sharing is always good".

One day Advait had kept his diary on the table in spite of many reminders. The next day he kept the diary and said, "Ma'am I kept my dairy. May I have a big star and smiley?"

Story time: Where one animal was eaten up each day by a dinosaur and when the dinosaur too was eaten up in the end all the other animals were happy.

Krishna asked, "Why were all the animals happy when their friend left them?"

During circle time when teachers were discussing about junk food and healthy food Kushal said, "My father is very fat and obese. Can you please tell him to stop eating Manchurian everyday?"

While dealing with Transport session Ruchir said "Ma'am I don't like to travel by bus, car or aeroplane. I like a dumper truck. I would like to become a dumper truck driver when I grow up".



Sarah Hannikeri: During the practice time for sports day 2014-15. We heard Sarah and Vaibhav talking.

Sarah told Vaibhav: Why are we wasting so much time. When is our turn? I can see two teachers discussing there. When are they going to take us? "We are waiting right". Then the teachers said, "Sarah, this is the first day of practice. From tomorrow it will happen quickly.



# NURSERY



Out in the Bamboo garden



Watch your step



Working together is fun -  
making shapes with sticks



Mera wala blue.... Colour activity



Putting together a green collage



Fishing for letters





We are learning to construct letters



Santa Claus has come to town



We love you dear Grandma and Grandpa



Our budding singers on the stage



Elae Oota.... A feast of vegetables & fruits



Up, up and away ... Play time with balloons

# The Little LKG...

Aarnav Tejhasvi: Aarnav made a tiny drawing in the drawing book. We told him we would have to look at it through a microscope. He said in a very serious manner, "I don't have a microscope. I do have a magnifying glass, though. I will get it for you."

Kanishka. P. Reddy: The children were drawing the ocean and the sea animals. Kanishka drew a mermaid and said, "This is a mermaid. She is a girl on top and fish at the bottom."

Sahana: She played the role of a bear on the Sports Day, the theme being Circus. She had to ride a bicycle and she brought hers from home. The pedals didn't work and as a result the cycle wouldn't move forward. We were trying to set it right and she said, "Ma'am this is happening because there is no petrol. Fill it up with petrol and then it will move." She looked quite serious when she said this.

Idhant: Question: If there were no planes, how would you travel from one country to the other? Idhant's reply: "I would hold the stick which will be carried by the Geese."

Ananya: While going for Annual Day (Rio dance) practice she asked, "Ma'am, why are we learning bird dance? Can birds really dance?"

Pranjal: When the children were learning Kannada rhyme - "male banthu male..... bhaavi inda neeru sedi", he immediately asked "Why Ma'am from well, there is no tap?"



Anirudh: On the Fancy Dress day, he dressed up as Krishna and said, "Hello everybody! My name is Krishna, my father's name is Vasudev and mother's name is Devaki. I have come to FIS to say I love you all."

Story narration: When children were narrating stories and started by saying "Once upon a time....." Anirudh asked, "Why only 'once' why not 'twice upon a time.....?'"

Ankitha: When we asked her about her aim in life, she said very softly, "Doctor". Upon being asked "Why doctor?" She said, "If I don't become a doctor, people will not be well."



# LKG



A patch on the eye and a rose in the pocket



Field trip to the grocer's shop



Fruity discussion in the assembly



Hello! We are enjoying our field trip!



Our own little piece of land



Here we come in our Ark, sailing in the sand





V for Victory, X for X-Mas



Our pride - dressed up as the brave Kittur Rani Chenamma and Onake Obavva



Madhuban mein jo kanhaiya kisi gopi se mile...



Spread your wings and let the fairy in you fly...



Stretching out under the sun



Our own vegetable garden

# The Upbeat UKG..

One day, Shreya came to me during the break, and said, "Ma'am, do you know that when my mother was small, her papa died". I just listened to her, but she got the feeling that ma'am was sad, and immediately said "Don't worry ma'am ....now my mother's mamma has become a grandmother...."

After Christmas holidays, Nesha was able to remember and recite a prayer which was about praising and thanking the Lord, and it went on for about 4-5 minutes. Hearing her recitation was a wonderful feeling, and was amazed at her memory power. When asked how she learnt this prayer, she said that her mother had taught her.



Aditya was excited about his first trip on an aeroplane to the Andaman. He said that the aeroplane looked like a train, but he was able to see the sea, land, buildings and fluffy clouds. He even saw clouds in the shape of a bat and ball and leaf through the window.

Nathen was distracting the others in the class. When asked to bring his diary to write a note to his parents he said, "Ma'am who invented this diary?"

Children were taught how to write homework for the day in their respective diaries, after a few days Dhruva said "Ma'am, you want to sit aaram, so you taught us to write the diaries."





Celebrating Onam with Pookalam



Pleased to meet you, my chirpy, tweety little friend



Time for drama - Our assemblies are fun



You give me life ,I give you protection-  
Fancy dress with a message



We sing, We dance, We Rock!



Our young artists displaying their  
colourful work



Bounce time - Having fun on the trampoline



Hopping and jumping around the class



The tiny cones that we made, now rest on our heads !



We don many hats, specially on the "Hat Day"



Working it out in our GRIPS book



Look ! We made friendship bands for each other



## Let's go to the beach!

At the beach, you can play with the waves. You could build a sandcastle or hunt for seashells. You can dig in the sand until you see water. You might even cover yourself in sand, so only your head shows! It's so much fun to play at the beach.

**A.S.B. Bhagavathi**

**UKG**

## The Upbeat UKG!



## My trip to Chikmagalur

During my summer vacations, I visited Chikmagalur which is the land of coffee. I saw waterfalls, temples, coffee estates and mountains. I enjoyed playing in the waterfalls. I saw leeches in the forest. I enjoyed rappelling too. I climbed Mullayanna Giri mountain which has 500 steps.

**Anusha Pyati,**  
**UKG**

## HAL Heritage Museum

During my summer vacations, I visited HAL Museum along with my mother. We packed snacks, juice and fruits in a bag. We went by bus in the afternoon at 2 o'clock. The HAL museum is located in Varthur Road, Bangalore. We paid Rs.30 per head to enter the museum. First of all, we went to the photo gallery and saw history photos and displays of aircraft models at the museum. It has different aeroplanes and beautiful gardens. We saw beautiful fish in the pond. We had our snacks. They also had games for children. I enjoyed playing the games. I liked visiting the HAL museum very much.

**Ranjan Prajwal K**

**UKG**





## My City

*My favourite city,  
It's Bangalore,  
My city is green,  
We keep it clean.  
I like it a lot  
If you could understand,  
This is our land!*

Mansavi

UKG



## My Day with My Mom

*I was playing with my toys,  
Which were making a lot of noise.  
My mom told me to have lunch,  
My rocket was about to launch.  
Mom cooked a dish,  
Well, it was a fish.  
While sleeping, my mom does pamper,  
Well, I don't wear a diaper.*

Punit. R

UKG

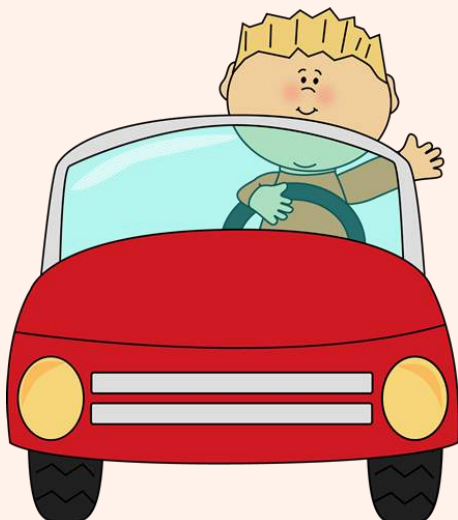


## My favourite cars

*I like cars,  
Because they go whoosh!  
They go on the road,  
At high speed!  
Have you seen the light?  
It is so bright!  
When I grow up...  
I want to make cars,  
Which can reach the stars!*

Saipranav

UKG



## Let's Take a Boat!

There are so many different kinds of boats to travel in. You might ride in a sailboat. The wind fills the sail and pushes you silently through the water. You might take a big ship on a long trip across an ocean. Ferry boats carry many people on shorter trips. Sometimes ferries carry cars too! People live on boats all over the world. Sometimes these boats are called houseboats.



**A.S.B. Bhagavathi**

UKG



## My School

My school is Freedom International School. I joined in LKG and now I am in the first grade. I love my school very much. My school is one of the best in Bangalore. I have so many friends in my classroom. We celebrate sports and annual days in our school. In my school, our teachers teach us good habits and good behaviour. I love my teachers.

**M.R.Trivedi**

UKG

## My Grandfather

My grandfather is very energetic. He drives his car as though it is a Ferrari. Oh my God, he is so fast! I call him Grandpa Schumacher. He would have won if he was in the Formula One team. He is fond of fruits and makes me eat lots of it too. He is very talkative, just like me. He gives me a horse ride on his back. I love my grandfather. He calls me gudiya. My grandparents call me their princess. He teaches me Kannada. He is a teacher. My grandpa makes me laugh all the time. I love his company.



**Aayushi Uppal**

UKG



## Organic Farming

My family and I love organic farming. Together we have planted seeds of vegetables, leaves and fruits such as tomatoes, green chillies, coriander, curry leaves, papaya, mango etc. Plants and trees give us oxygen. It is a very good hobby too!

Aditya B.S

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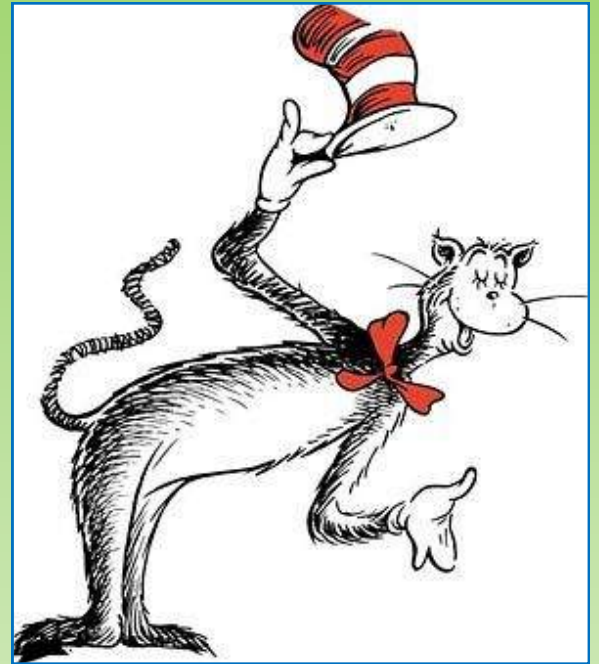


## The Cat in the Hat

'The Cat in the Hat' is a children's story book written by Theodor Geisel, under the pen name Dr. Seuss. A cat who wears a red and white striped hat and bow tie comes to Sally and her brother's house to show them his tricks during a rainy day. The fish was the children's pet. Their mother goes out. The cat shows different tricks. In this process, he and his objects wreck the house. The children and their fish do not like it. The cat then brings a machine that he uses to clean everything up. At last! When the children's mother walks in, the cat is not there at all. It all happens when the children's mother is outside.

Ranjan

UKG



## Water

Water is important for our body. It helps us to digest food. We use water for drinking, bathing cleaning, watering the plants, etc. We should drink 6-8 glasses of water. Water is very precious so we need to use it wisely.

Aahana Mohanty

UKG



## Save our Earth

*When it is bright,*

*Turn off the light.*

*Pull the car to a stop,*

*When red is the signal to stop.*

*Plant a tree,*

*Save the earth for me.*

Aarin Dsouza

UKG





Finally I got my holidays. What would I do? My father warned my mother not to make me join any summer camp. He wanted me to enjoy my holidays in my own way. Well! I started arranging my books in shelves. I also helped my mother in cleaning. I visited my relative's house. Everything got over in a week. What could I do next? I got hooked on to TV! I was feeling very lazy and inactive since I was watching too many programs on TV. Nothing excited me. My sister asked me to try gardening. What an idea! My father got me some saplings and also helped me plant them. Every day I watered them. Every morning I was waking up with a lot of energy to see my plants growing. When they started giving flowers, I was so happy, I jumped with joy. Everyday these plants started giving me one surprise or the other. I cultivated my plants during my holidays. I will continue gardening because it makes me happy.

Chitraksh. P  
I C

### MY BIRTHDAY GIFT

My birthday falls on July 29th. My father always makes sure that I celebrate my birthday with my family and friends. I have seen my father doing all the arrangements a week before my birthday so that everything goes on well. I always wait for my birthday, for that special gift that my father gives me. My father has gifted me dolls, cycles, kitchen sets, Barbie dolls, Doraemon dolls, dresses and much more. But the best gift I got was a remote control car which I received on my sixth birthday. It is fast and has a neat tyre fitting. It can be driven on all cement floors. The car has to be charged for a while and it is ready for use. As my birthday is nearing, I'm all excited about the gift which my father is going to give. Thank you father, for making all my birthdays memorable.

Shreya Suman

I C



## MY FAVOURITE PETS

I had two pet fishes. Their names were Nemo and Leena. I took good care of them. My brother and I used to feed them every morning before going to school. They always tried to talk to us when we returned from school.

Whenever I went out, I missed them a lot. They used to feel sad and when I didn't play with them. One day Nemo fell ill and died after a few days. I was very sad. Soon Leena also died. But I will always remember them.

N. Dhanyasree  
I D



## MY ROBOT

A robot has its own electronic brain and it does some things on its own. I learnt how to make robots with Lego mind storms EV3 kit. I made a robot with three wheels that drives itself. Wheels, EV3, motor, base, sensors, control buttons are the parts of a robot. My robot's name is Racer and it can turn by itself if there is something in front of it. We can fit weapons like fighting fan to break other robots. We can control EV3 brick with buttons and NXT brick with mobile. My dream robot is the one that I can fit on my bicycle so it can drive me around. I wish I could also make a robot that can do my homework.



Jeremy  
I A

## A NAME WE ALL LIKE

One fine day, my grandmom called me Arjun. I said I like the name very much as he is the friend of Chotta Bheem. My mom, who also likes the name, described him as one of the striking characters in the Mahabharata. In Sanskrit, Arjun means famous or shining. He is one of the Pandavas who is extremely handsome, an outstanding warrior, who focuses on his aim always. He has the qualities of an ideal student who learns everything his guru could teach him. His guru-bhakthi was unparalleled. He was skilled in archery and used both arms (ambidextrous). After hearing this, I started liking the name very much. To my surprise, my aunt who came for the holidays gifted me Arjun and Chotta Bheem toys as she too liked this name. So, ARJUN was a name liked by all of us.....

D.Karshin, I A





## MY WORLD

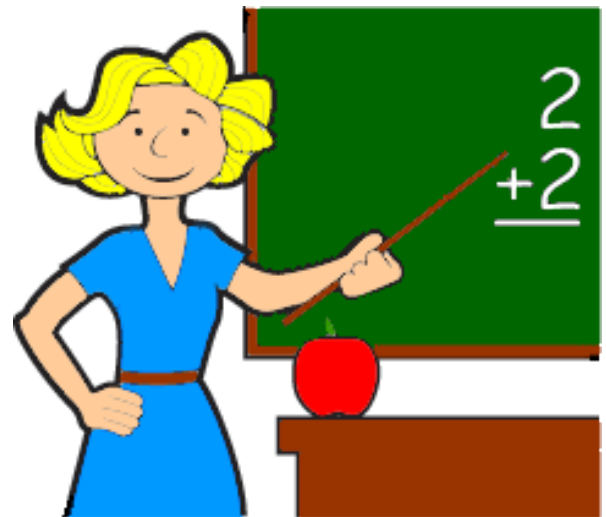
*I want a cake house  
Near the chocolate mountains  
Touching the ice cream clouds  
Covered by bubblegum lawns  
Lollipop trees and a milk fountain  
Led by a candy road and  
Me enjoying myself in the gem  
rain*

**S. Sunandita**  
**I B**

## AN UNFORGETTABLE PERSON

*She ....  
Gives hopes to my parents,  
Showers love and care on me,  
Greet me with a smiling face,  
Motivates me with praise,  
Encourages me with a star in my chart,  
Guides me like a guiding star,  
Sharpens my knowledge like a knife,  
Corrects me in a loving way,  
Complete attention whenever I call,  
Molds me with moral values,  
Makes me independent,  
Remains the world's best for me always,  
MY BELOVED TEACHER.*

**D. Karshin**  
**I A**



## FAIRY AND ME

*I read a story  
On a cute little fairy  
On the same night  
After I slept  
The fairy held me tight  
Was it that I dreamt?  
Oh yes, I saw the sun was already bright*

**Advitha Rao**

**I A**





I went to my native place – Kerala for this vacation. My grandparents live there. We have a beautiful garden with lots of flowers. I enjoyed watering the plants and gardening. I went for swimming classes for three weeks. I went to parks and malls. I even went for a boat ride. I had great fun with my grandparents and I love them a lot.



Reuben S. Daniel

I C



**Pack your bags,  
Let us go on a  
trip!**

### My trip to Mangalore

I went to Mangalore to visit my grandmother's house during my summer vacation. Every time I go there, I have lots of fun. This time I saw a peacock opening its feathers wide in a semi-circle shape and dancing in the field. I went to my aunt's house from there. All my cousins from different places had gathered there. We all went to Panambur beach. Big waves were splashing the shore.



We tried to touch the water. First we got scared. Later on, we enjoyed playing with water. There were a lot of fun things like a giant wheel, horse riding and camel riding. We also had some chat. We came back home at night. From there we went to a restaurant and had our dinner. I stayed with my cousins for five days. We visited a temple and some shopping malls. Then I came back to my grandmother's house. Then I stayed there for another five days and returned to Bangalore. I enjoyed my holidays at Mangalore.

Dhanvi Shetty, I B

*Which eight letter word remains a word , after removing each letter from it?*

*Answer: starting-staring-string-sting-sing-sin-in-I*



I enjoyed a lot this summer vacation. I went to Hyderabad to stay with my cousins, grandparents, uncles and aunts for two weeks. I enjoyed playing with my cousins in the water park. I learnt how to write in my mother tongue Telugu. The mango juice which my mother made was very tasty. I read two interesting books which are "The Gruffalo" and "Trouble With Magic". I went cycling, shopping, swimming. I even went to Wonderla. I played in a rain disco and enjoyed myself a lot. This was my best summer vacation ever.

Shruti. K, I D



# MY SUMMER VACATIONS

I had lots of fun during the summer vacations. I got to make many new friends at my summer camp. I learnt many new things like pot designing, sand art, vocabulary building and many more sports and activities. The summer camp was held for the period of one month. I participated in the talent competition on the last day of the summer camp. I got a chance to show my public speaking ability to my parents and others. I also loved to get beautifully dressed on the talent day. I learnt swimming and playing badminton during the holidays. I had fun playing with my cousins and some friends whom I meet rarely. Totally, it was a fun-packed vacation for me. I hope that all my friends also had such wonderful holidays.

Charanya S.

I C

During my vacation, I went to my granny's house. There I played catch with my cousins. In the evening, we went to the beach and played in the sand. We played long jump and made sand whirl-pools. I also did cart-wheeling. I searched and collected many shells on the sea shore. We played in the water. We drew pictures in the sand. By then, it was midnight. We returned to my granny's house with sweet memories.

Shreyas Hande

I C

## FUNNY RIDDLES

What comes up when the rain comes down?

*An umbrella.*

What is the bow that cannot be tied? *A rainbow*

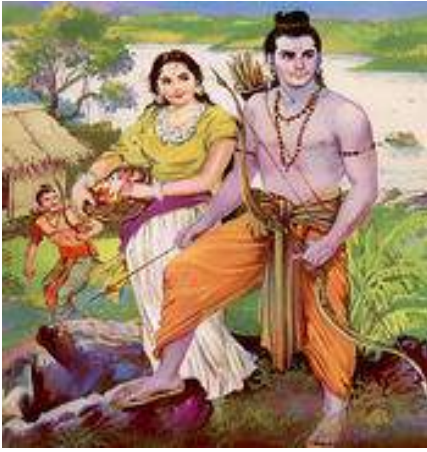
What has a neck but no head and wears a cap? *A bottle*

Why can't a leopard hide? *Because he is always spotted.*

What has a bank but no money? *A river*

Dhanya Sree N

I D



## RAMAYANA

The Ramayana is my favourite tale. I love listening to the Ramayana story from my dad every day. In this story, Rama goes to the forest with his wife Sita and brother Lakshmana to fulfill his stepmother Kaikeyi's wish. Ravana kidnaps Sita from the forest and takes her to Lanka. Rama fights with Ravana with the help of Hanuman. Rama kills Ravana, bringing an end to the evil and brings Sita back. My favourite character in this story is Hanuman as he is very strong and honest.

Advitha Rao M

I A

## AN UNFORGETTABLE VACATION

I was looking forward to my summer holidays as I would spend time with my grandparents. Once holidays started, I went to Kodaikanal along with my grandparents for four days. I stayed in a five-star hotel called the Carlton. At Kodaikanal, I went for a boat ride, cycling, and played carrom, dice and cards game. I also went sightseeing and thoroughly enjoyed my trip. After the trip, I went to my grandparents' house and had delicious food every day. I also went to Chennai to spend time with my cousins and had fun playing many games with them. I enjoyed my summer holidays but was yearning to come back to school to meet my friends.

Tanushree

I A



## KRISHI HONDA

I saw Krishi Honda in my mother's native place in Kolar district. Krishi Honda is rain water harvesting in fields. A pond measuring nine meters long, nine meters wide and three meters deep is dug out. This pond has inlet and outlet pipes and a silt filter. The rain water which falls on the field is made to flow into the pond. This water is stored in the pond and is used to grow crops. A tarpaulin sheet covers the pond to prevent water from evaporating. This pond is a boon to the farmers as Kolar is a dry place with scanty rainfall.

Anarghaya Tejaswi

I D





## SAVE AGARA LAKE !

This is my favourite Agara lake that I go to during the weekends. I have good memories of cycling and walking with my brother and parents. I see so many birds, flowers and fishes getting caught. I used to jump with happiness when I saw fishes in the lake. Now I hear that a lot of buildings are going to come up and this lake is going away. Please stop building around it. Please help save my favourite lake which has a lot of memories for me.

**Samanvitha S.**

**I B**



## SUPERLATIVES OF THE WORLD

1. Which is the smallest bird?

Ans: The Hummingbird

2. Which is the largest country in the world?

Ans: Russia

3. Which is the largest island in the world?

Ans: Greenland

4. Which is the largest ocean in the world?

Ans: The Pacific Ocean

5. Which is the largest desert in the world?

Ans: The Sahara desert

6. Which is the longest river in the world?

Ans: The Nile

7. Which is the highest mountain in the world?

Ans: Mount Everest

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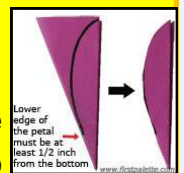
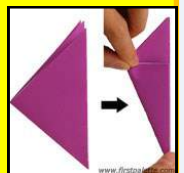
**I D**

## HOW TO MAKE A PAPER FLOWER ?

Start out with a square piece of colour paper. Fold the square diagonally in the middle to make a triangle. Fold the resulting triangle along the middle to come up with a smaller triangle. Fold the resulting triangle again in the middle to come up with an even smaller triangle. Rotate the triangle so that its longest side is positioned vertically and its solid corner is at the bottom.

Trim off the extra triangle above the straight edge. Draw half a petal starting from the top corner of the triangle's vertical side. Cut along the outline. Gently open up to reveal an eight-pleated flower. Cut out a circle from any other coloured paper or fabric and stick it at the centre of the flower.

Your flower is ready !





## I WONDER

*I wonder how the birds fly  
or why babies cry?  
I wonder how a bird would  
stay alone in a tree?  
Or how will I adjust in a group of three?*

*I wonder how a plant grows  
or how does water flow?  
I wonder why little girls  
are so shy?  
Or why the sky is so high?*

*I wonder why December night is chilly  
or why whistles blow shrilly?  
I wonder how anyone will win when  
there is no one to lose?  
Or why dad's shirt is so loose?*

**Anushka Rani. A**

I A

## I LOVE TO SEE

*I....*

*Brush my little teeth at night,  
Say my small prayers daily,  
Keep my plate in the kitchen after I eat,  
Fill water in the jug when it is empty,  
Hold the purse while locking the door,  
Clean the little dirt on the floor,  
Keep my little shoes in order,  
Praise when the food is yummy,  
Hug whenever in anger,  
Surprise with a gift at the end of shopping.  
All these things I do,  
To see a big smile on  
you,*

**ALWAYS MY MOM.**

**D. Karshin**

I A



## AUGUST

*August is a time I always hold dear,  
The grass is green with pleasing showers,  
And flowers start blooming in the rain.  
It is Onam time and harvest begins,  
Lot of new dresses I get to wear,  
And enjoy the delicious Onam feast.  
My grandparents come to visit me,  
And make my home a better place.  
August is a month of celebration,  
For it is the month when I was born.*

**Gitanjali Balakrishnan**

I A

**hello**  
**AUGUST**

## WHO AM I?

Whenever anyone comes before me  
I change his direction  
Even a small stone,  
can break me into pieces.

My outer crust is hard  
My inner self is white and soft  
Sweet water pours out of my body  
When you hit me on a hard rock

I'm a day of India, I gave freedom  
to all. Everyone celebrated the  
69<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Now tell me  
my exclusive name.

People do not eat but chew me,  
bitter juice comes out of my body  
which cleans your tongue and teeth  
who am I, see if you can tell me.

**Anushka Rani. A**

**I A**



*Answers:*

- 1.Mirror 2.Coconut*
- 3.Independence Day*
- 4.A neem twig brush*

## HEALTH FACTS

Eight glasses of water keeps the body healthy.

Never skip breakfast as it gives maximum energy to the body.

Eight to ten hours of sleep keeps the body healthy.

Children should play a lot to stay fit.

Eat lots of fruits and vegetables and keep junk food away.

**Reuben S Daniel**

**I C**



## MY TEETH

As I turned 7, my gums started to pain. I told my mother about this. My mother said, "You are growing up". I touched the tooth below my gums. It was shaking. I got excited. I told myself, "Don't worry you are growing up". After a few days, it fell and I told my parents and my brother. They were excited too.

**N Dhanya Sree**

**I D**



## Legos, Legos, Legos



The Taj Mahal, the Singapore flyer, the Cargo dock and a temple made out of Lego! All these were at Legoland, Malaysia. The models were small but they were very nice because they looked like the real thing and some of them moved, for example trucks and buses moved on roads and boats sailed on water and the goods were loaded and unloaded at the dock. There was also a mini airport in which a plane had moving propellers. Legoland also has rides which look like they were made of Lego blocks. We enjoyed rides like bumpy train, carousal, hovercraft carousal and mechanical horse ride. I made my own pizza for lunch wearing a chef dress at the pizzeria. There was a boating school for children. There I got to drive a motor boat along a canal. We banged each other's boat and had fun. There was also a car driving school for children which was my favourite. I drove a tiny car on a special road with traffic lights, junctions, a circle and other drivers. I liked Legoland very much.

Kaustubh

I A



### तितली रानी

तितली रानी बड़ी सयानी ,  
फूल-फूल पर जाती हैं।

फूल से रंग चुराकर,  
अपने पंख सजाती हैं।

जब उसे जाओ पकड़ने ,  
झट से वो उड़ जाती हैं।

वर्षा  
I B

धरती

यह धरती हम सबको,  
क्या कहना चाहती है।

आओ बच्चों हम सब,  
उसकी आवाज़ सुनते हैं।

यह तो कहती है कि मेरे,  
सुंदर रूप को गंदगी से बचाओ।

मैं तो तुम सब की माँ हूँ ,  
माँ को प्रणाम करो।

पेड़-पौधों को खुश करो और ,  
आराम से जीने दो।

धरती तो कुदरत की माँ हैं,  
इसका सब सम्मान करो।

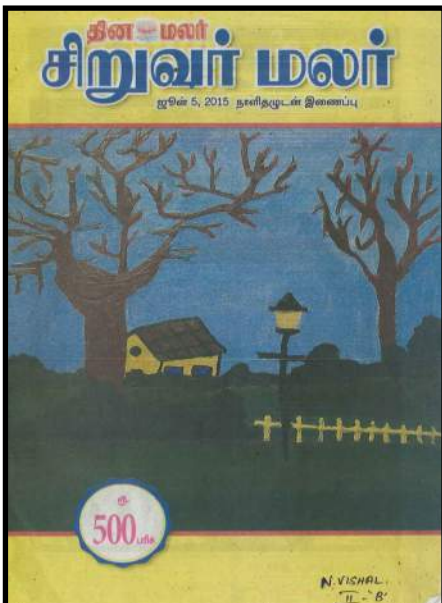
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ನನ್ನ ಮುದ್ದು ಪುಟ್ಟಿ  
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ಬಲು ಘಾಟಿ!

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## NATURE

**The Superb SECOND Graders!**

There is beautiful nature all around the world. Like butterflies, rivers, mountain tops. Do you know that the solar system is also a part of nature? In the solar system, the earth is called the blue planet. Even trees are a part of nature. Trees are everywhere. Nature is very beautiful and it gives us air, water and light. The Sun gives us light.



**Aparna**

**II B**

## THE WONDERFUL SEA



Have you ever seen what is under the sea?  
Wonders and wonders you will get to see!  
See a dolphin go flop, flop, flop!  
See a lobster go chop, chop, chop!  
See the shark go bite, bite, bite!  
See the fish bright and beautiful !  
Slow, but gentle, there is the turtle!  
The quick and giant whale, equally gentle!  
Do you want to see the other wonders of the sea?  
Then, come along with me!

**Yashas Goel**

**II A**



## The Vampire Boy

I read 'The Vampire Boy' during the summer vacations. At first I thought this story would scare me and I may wake up screaming due to a nightmare, but nothing like that happened! I felt it was a nice but silly story which I enjoyed reading. It is a story of a vampire boy named Kristofer who is forced to attend school with the humans following a government order. At first, children are scared but slowly Kris gets along well and makes friends with Bo and fights with Bran who is the naughtiest. Kris was different from his father as he disliked the smell of blood. Like humans, Kris liked the smell of fresh bread. Kris loved counting the stars in the night sky, the grey hairs on his teacher's head and the number of children in school each day. At the end of the story, I learnt not to judge others by their appearance or by their name. We should always be open in making new friends and accepting people as they are.



Chinmay S U

II B

## Trip to Thailand

This was my first international family trip and I was very excited about it. We took a late night flight from Bengaluru to Bangkok, Thailand. We took a van from the Bangkok airport to Pattaya, where we spent the first three days. During our stay in Pattaya, we visited the Underwater World, where we saw many marine creatures. The next day, we went to the coral islands and had a lot of fun at the beach. We also visited the Sriracha Tiger Zoo, where I saw adult tigers and cute baby cubs. We saw the tiger, elephant and crocodile shows. Finally, we went to Pattaya tower and got to see a beautiful view of Pattaya. The next morning we travelled from Pattaya to Bangkok to spend our next three days. The first day, we visited the famous Buddha temple, where we saw a huge golden statue of Buddha. The next day, we went to the Safari park, where we saw many wild animals out in the open. I also got to see shows of orang-utans, sea lions and dolphins. At night, we went on a river cruise and saw a beautiful view of the city of Bangkok. The next day, we went to a gallery of gems and we saw many precious gems and stones. At the end of my trip, we shopped at the Platinum mall. In the evening, we left for the airport to return to Bengaluru. I really enjoyed my trip to Thailand.



Adithi Rao

II D

# Summer...

## A trip to Meriyanda

We went to a place called Meriyanda. I went with my friends. It was a very long journey. We reached there and had our lunch. We went to the cottage. I played on my play station while the elders took a nap. After that I played cricket with my friends, their fathers and my father. We then stopped playing because it became dark outside. After sometime we had dinner and came back. As we were tired, we slept, but my sister and my friends were awake, watching television. Then they saw something moving near them. It was a rat! My sister and my friends jumped on to the couch. My mom trapped it and sent it out through the balcony. My sister went to sleep at 3 am in the morning. Next day morning, all the elders went trekking. When they were back, we went and ate breakfast. After breakfast, we left for Bengaluru.

**Adityaa Ravi**

**II B**

## A visit to Thrissur

Every summer vacation I visit my grandparents in my native place Thrissur. Thrissur is the 'Cultural Capital' of Kerala. This vacation was truly a memorable one as my grandfather took me along with my cousins to see "Thrissur Pooram."

'Pooram' is a Malayalam word denoting a grand festival. 'Thrissur Pooram' is one of the most spectacular and popular temple festivals held in Thanjavur.

'Thrissur Poonam' is unique in terms of visual splendour, the grand assembly of caparisoned elephants, amazing fireworks, captivating ensembles of percussion instruments and enthusiastic crowds. Thrissur Poonam started about two hundred years ago by the then ruler of Kochi, Raja Rama Varma in the year 1798. This festival is celebrated every year in the Malayalam month of Medam (April-May). The festival venue is at Vadakkumnathan Temple in the centre of Thrissur. Eight temples in and around Thrissur take part in the festival-the main two temples being Thiruvambadi and Paramakkavu. It is a 36 hours continuous pooram offering a wide variety of visual treats and attracting a huge mass of people from different places including international tourists. A notable feature of the pooram is its secular nature. All communities actively participate and contribute to the success of this festival thereby upholding communal harmony.

Thrissur Pooram is a festival unique in its ceremony, magnitude and participation. Hence it is called the "Mother of all Poorams."

**Shashank Sudheer**

**II A**



During this summer vacation, I was lucky to visit Wayanad, a hill station on the Western Ghats known as Sahyadri. Wayanad is located at a height of 800 m above the sea level. I travelled with my mother and grandparents in our car from Thrissur via Calicut. From Calicut, we travelled through the road along the Western Ghats. The road had nine hairpin bends. While passing on our way, we could enjoy scenic beauty of the forest on both sides of the road. At the peak, there was a viewpoint with a fencing from where we could see Pookode Lake, a fresh water lake on the peak of the Western Ghats. The lake is very beautiful with a number of boats and a park for recreation. We could also see tea and coffee plantations along both sides of the road. We also visited our ancestral home and the famous Thirunelli Vishnu Temple known as South Kasi. We stayed in our ancestors' home for a day and returned to our home in Thrissur. I enjoyed the trip a lot.

Mamatha Menon

II C

# WAYANAD

During the summer vacations I visited Wayanad with my parents. The place had a very pleasant weather and it started raining when we went there. First we visited Edakkal Caves. These are natural rock cut out formations. The guide explained that the cave was formed by huge rock split into two parts and was roofed by other large rocks. I saw many pictures of animals and human figures which were carved 4000 years ago. Then we visited Pookood Lake which is natural freshwater lake surrounded by forests and mountains. We went boating in an arrow boat and I had a wonderful unforgettable experience. Later in the evening we went to Lakkidi view point to enjoy the scenery.

The next day, we visited Banasura Sagar Dam. They explained that this was the largest dam in India and it is surrounded by hills on all sides. There was park over there and we enjoyed it a lot. The park was full of flowers and large trees from which swings were hung so that even the elders could play and regain their childhood. I saw my parents and many other elders swinging in the swing and enjoying themselves. Next we visited Meenmutty waterfalls which is the largest waterfalls in Wayanad. This was the place I loved the most. I played in the water for almost three hours till it started to drizzle. Later, we moved to Tolpetty Wildlife Sanctuary but we could not take a look at it as it was raining heavily. The other places we missed were Kuruwa Island and Soochipara waterfalls as they were closed for renovation. I hope to visit the places which we were unable to visit, the next time.

Chinmay S.U

II B



During my summer vacation, my grandparents, aunt and cousins had come and we visited many places in Bengaluru. First we went to the Play Arena on Sarjapur Road. What I liked most there is Go-Karting. When I sat in the car, I was excited as I felt it was a real race. They had given a helmet for safety. My cousin who went in front of me was dashing at all turns. The last U-turn was a little difficult for me to take. In the Quad Bike, I was on a small bike. The representative taught me how to navigate. I rode on sand and stones. My bike collided with my cousin's, but the representative helped us. Then we went to a couple of simulation riders, had snacks and went home. On another day, we went to the Viswesvaraya Museum and JN Planetarium. At the museum, I saw the model of a spinosaurus which could move and make noise. I also saw a model of the first plane. Outside the museum, I saw the model of a fighter plane. After that we went to the Planetarium where we saw a show on Mars, the Red Planet. We were so tired going around the entire day that, some of us had dozed off during the show. We also went to the Meenakshi Mall and played at Amoeba. We watched the Hindi movie 'PK'. It was a memorable summer vacation.



Srihari

II A

# Summer Vacations

## MY VILLAGE

This summer vacation, I had an opportunity to visit my village. It is located in the west of Tamil Nadu. My grand parents live there. My village is located very close to Ooty(the queen of hills) and I got the chance to see the meeting point between the Western and Eastern Ghats. I had a great time in my village and spent a lot of time with my cousins ,friends and family. However I missed Bengaluru and looked forward to come back soon.



Aditya Sai Kiran

II A

## NORTH INDIA TOUR

One fine day, we packed our bags and started off on a tour to visit a few places in the northern part of India. Two of our friends' families also joined us. We boarded a flight for New Delhi. It was my first flight journey, something that I was waiting for. My first flight travel was an awesome experience indeed. We were to go to Shimla by flight from New Delhi. But soon after we landed in Delhi we were told that the flight to Shimla got cancelled due to less visibility caused by fogging weather conditions. So we hired a van and went to Shimla. What a splendid and beautiful place Shimla is! We went to a few valleys, shopping malls and some historical buildings. I really enjoyed the time with my family and friends. After a few days of stay in Shimla, we came back to Delhi by train. As the train travelled through bends and curves of hills and valleys, we enjoyed witnessing scenic views, played many games and jumped here and there within the bogie. We reached Delhi after a one night journey. In Delhi, we visited the India Gate, Qutab Minar and Akshardham Temple. Then we were off to Agra, one of the most attractive tourist places in the world, I suppose. I was totally mesmerized by the beauty of the Taj Mahal. What a magnificent monument!! Then we went to the last tourist place on our trip, Jaipur. We visited Jantar Mantar, the Palace and the Fort. While we kids were really happy playing together throughout the trip, the parents enjoyed the time-off from their hectic work life. It was a very memorable tour for all of us.

**Kavya.S**

**II C**



## My First Visit To Mumbai

I was waiting for this trip. My grandma and I had planned to go to Mumbai. My mother booked the flight tickets for us. Then the day came for us to go. My father dropped us at the airport. We waited for an hour and then sat in the Indigo flight. I ate some cookies on the flight. After ninety minutes, we landed in Mumbai. The weather was very hot. I felt very excited when I reached Mumbai. Mumbai is a really big place. I reached my grand uncle's house in Dadar in Mumbai. I met my aunt Disha and hugged her. Then I showed my things to Disha aunty. My grand aunt prepared some yummy and fresh fish fry. The next day my grand uncle took us for sight-seeing. First we went to the Gateway of India. It is so huge. On one side of it there is water. There are many boats. Near the Gateway of India there is Hotel Taj. It was looking very royal and huge. It seemed that four years back terrorists had attacked the building, but they were killed by our Indian Army. Then we drove along the Marine Drive also known as the Queen's Necklace. It was awesome. It is called the Queen's Necklace because when the street lights are on at night, it looks like a necklace around the sea. Then we went to the Hanging Gardens. There was a huge shoe and I went inside it. There were many people inside it. We also saw many beaches on the way. I saw Juhu beach, Chowpati beach, Shivaji Park and Worli beach. The next day my grandma's sister came to see us. We all then went inside to eat patty samosas. I ate one samosa, masala dosa (half) and dahi vada. Then we all ate some ice-cream. It was vanilla flavoured. After sometime my grandma's sister returned home. The day after we planned to go to Vadala. We went there. My cousin Karishma stays over there. So then she took me and I met all her friends and they started to play with me. We all had lots of fun. After that we went to a hotel. Karishma and I ate Chicken Shezwan Fried rice. They served different types of chicken. Then Karishma's grandpa bought us some ice-cream. After we ate ice-cream I went to my house in Dadar and Karishma went to her house in Vadala. The next day we went to the High Street Phoenix mall. It is big. First we went to Lifestyle. There we were searching and searching for a pair of shoes. At last we found one. It had three colours peach, white and pink. We also bought two dresses for me. They were Barbie dresses. Then we all went home. Before sleeping, my grand aunt served me some vanilla mixed chocolate ice-cream. The next day it was time to come back to Bangalore. My grandma and I flew back home. I met my mom and dad. I was very happy to see them after a week.

Anshika

II C



MARINE DRIVE



I hope..

I hope my friends don't fight with me.

I hope I get good marks in the exam.

I hope people don't have accidents on the road.

I hope I study well.

I hope my teachers will be good to me.

I hope the children on the road aren't poor and  
get food to eat and clothes to wear.

I hope my father gets me lots of books to read.

I hope my mother cooks nice food for me.

I hope I win many medals for the school.

I hope I will be a nice girl all my life.

I hope my wishes come true.

**Meghana**

**II A**



hope

## ज़िंदगी

ज़िंदगी है, चलने का नाम ।

जिसका है, चलने का काम ॥

ज़िंदगी एक गम है, मगर गाती तो है ।

दुनिया कैसी ही सही, मगर भाती तो है ॥

चिल चिलाती धूप हो, या सर्द हवा ।

ज़िंदगी को चलते ही रहना है ॥

जिस पल वह रुकी उसी पल ।

ज़िंदगी को भी खत्म हो जाना है ॥

## SPRING

*Roses are red,  
Violets are blue,  
Get ready for spring  
It's in a month or two.  
The flowers are growing,  
The river is flowing,  
Let's all cheer,  
Spring is finally here.*

Archita Agrawal

II B



## WORLD



*The world is so beautiful with blue skies and blue seas.  
It's full of tall mountains with green trees.  
It makes me feel happy.  
The bright sun shines brightly upon this world turning  
everything into gold!  
The river with its melody makes my life feel happy.*

Adhit Kiran

II B

## ROBOTS

I have a toy robot at my home. It is made from Lego blocks. My uncle got it from America. My robot can also shoot. There are many mechanical robots. There are many robots which look like humans. I had lot of fun building it. But my brother broke it then I got disappointed. But I fixed it. I love my robot a lot.

Nishta

II C



## MY DREAM

I want to be a princess and live in a big palace and have ten beautiful tiaras. I want to have a cute talking puppy and a talking rabbit. I would love to have very long hair and a flying horse. I really want to fly like a beautiful bird and soar into the sky.

Palak

II B



## MY DREAM HOUSE

A house is a place to stay together with the family. I would like a house with a wide garden. In my dream house, I would like my room with a Barbie theme. I'd like the walls with Rapunzel wallpapers. I'd like my fan with Cindrella pictures and my wardrobe with mermaids, so that my room will look beautiful. In my garden, I wish to have colourful varieties of plants, trees and vegetables. This will make me have a pollution free environment. I hope I get my dream house one day.



## MY PET FISH

Harshada E

II A

I have a lot of fish as pets. I bought them from a shop. There are many types of fish in my aquarium. My aquarium is a big rectangle with many sea plants and sea stones. It has a ventilator. My favourite fishes are the Tiger fish and the Golden fish. I have named them John and Johnny. I feed them fish food. I have placed my fish tank in the drawing room. My tank has a special light. I take care of my fish by feeding them and cleaning their tank. I love my fishes.



Shaurya Kapoor

II C



## Fruits and vegetables keep you healthy

Fruits and vegetables are a great resource of nutrients such as vitamins, minerals and fibres that helps to keep us healthy and helps to reduce the risk of heart disease, stroke and cancer. Fruits and vegetables are low in calories. They provides fibre that helps to fill you up and keeps your digestion good.

Eating plenty of fruits and vegetables helps to reduce the risk of many diseases including heart diseases, high blood pressure and some types of cancers.

Fruits and vegetables are nutritious and delicious!



Aarush

II A

## THE FEVER SONG

Once I got a high fever  
It gave me a real shiver  
I had to stay in the house  
And under a bedsheet like a mouse  
I was feeling very sick  
And I became very weak  
I had to be on the bed  
And had to be fed  
I could not go to school  
And not at all to the swimming pool  
I had to miss my play  
And stay in bed all day.  
I only ate tablets  
And no one gave me chocolates  
God, please don't give me fever again  
It gives me and my family a lot of pain.



Janvi Venuraj

II B

## Children's day

Children's day is my favourite day of the year. We get to wear coloured dress in school and also have a class party. When I return home, we go and play games in the house. After playing we go out and have fun. My elder brother and I go out and buy some presents. I really enjoy this day.

Aditi Rowjee

II B



## LEGO BLOCKS

I like making things with my Lego blocks. There are many names like chima, technic, mine craft, creator, city, etc. The pieces are red, blue, green, yellow, orange, etc. In the box of the blocks, there is a book, which guides you. You can make some animals too. There are also some animals. There are some festival type of blocks like Christmas, Holi and Diwali. When my dad goes to US, he buys the Lego blocks for me. I enjoy my holidays with my Lego blocks.

Anirudh

II A



## Chess

Chess was invented in India. It was called Chaturanga which means four parts of an army; chariots, elephants, soldiers, cavalry. In the olden days, kings used chess to practice war strategies. More than 155 countries play chess. People of any age can play chess. There are billions of possibilities in the first four moves. Players of the highest level are called GRAND MASTERS. My favourite player is Carlsen.

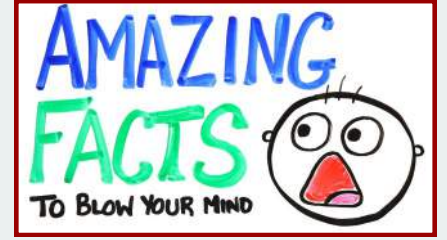


Anirudh

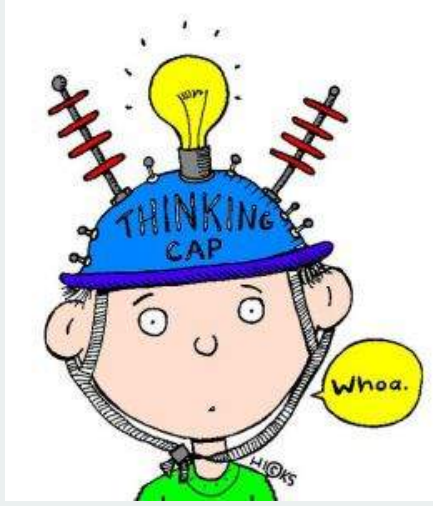
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## DID YOU KNOW THAT...



1. An adult has about 5-6 litres of blood in his body..
2. The only bone not connected with the rest of the skeleton is the hyoid bone. It lies at the root of the tongue.
3. The eye muscles move about 1,00,000 times a day. Most of the movement takes place in the night while dreaming.
4. Every minute 250 children are born into the world.



5. The word vitamin contains the latin word "vita" which means life.
6. There are around 40 species of bacteria in the mouth which protect the mouth cavity from diseases.
7. Every 9 seconds, one person dies as a consequence of cigarette smoking.

Compiled by Samhita Ravi

II B

## माँ तू बहुत अच्छी है

माँ तू बहुत अच्छी है,  
मेरा सब कुछ करती है।

भूख मुझे जब लगती है,  
खाना मुझे खिलाती है।

जब मैं गंदी हो जाती हूँ,  
रोज़ मुझे नहलाती है।

जब मैं रोने लगती हूँ ,  
चुप तू मुझे कराती है।

गुरबानी गोसेन

II D





### 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2015

This was the most exciting day of my life. I was going to step into a new continent, Africa. We were scheduled to take a flight to sunny Cairo. We checked into our hotel at Giza and had a glimpse of the Pyramids on the way! We had a fun time with friends in the hotel.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2015

Our table was spread with continental delicacies and I tasted all of them for breakfast. Then we set off for the Great Pyramids of Giza. There were three pyramids but we could only enter the second one. There was a dark slanting passage leading to the burial chamber. But I was disappointed as there was nothing inside. Everything had been shifted to the Cairo Museum. When we came out of the pyramid, our guide had arranged for a camel ride. The camel took us a little into the sand dunes for us to get a better view of the pyramids. The next stop was the Sphinx. It was inside a pit and there was a temple in front of it. Our guide told us that the Nile used to flow in front of the temple. After we left the Sphinx we went to an Egyptian perfume shop too. There they showed us how to make Papyrus plants into scrolls. From there, we drove straight to the Cairo Museum. We saw the Coffins, Amulets, Statues and Canopic Jars and so on. The most interesting part of the museum was the Boy King Tutankhamen's collection.

### 4<sup>th</sup> May 2015

We started early to Alexandria. Our first halt was at the catacombs. These are Greek Tombs. We climbed down through many spiral stairs to reach the tombs. After a short stop at Pompeii's Pillar we went to the citadel, which was on the coastline of the Mediterranean Sea. It was deep blue.

### 5<sup>th</sup> May 2015

Today we had to leave at 2:00 am to catch our flight to Aswan. From the airport we went directly to see the Aswan high dam. Then we set out, by boat, to the Temple of Philae. It was originally on a different Island but when the high dam was built it submerged the Temple. From there we left for the Unfinished Obelisk. An Obelisk was used to mark temples. When the Obelisk cracked in the centre and Queen Hatshepsut left it unfinished. We arrived at our Nile River Cruise for which I was eagerly waiting. The cruise boat had a huge crystal chandelier in the lobby. We then visited a Nubian village. We learnt Nubian and Arabic words in a school. We also went into one of their houses in which they had live crocodiles!! I touched one of them and it felt very soft.

### 6<sup>th</sup> May 2015

The next morning we set off for the Abu Simbel Temples. The first temples had four huge statues of Ramses II. Many of the wall carvings depicted Ramses II in his chariot, in war. The other temple belonged to his beautiful wife Queen Nefertiti. Back in the cruise, we had a lot of fun in the swimming pool. That night we had a Nubian show on the cruise. We danced and sang with the performers.

### 7<sup>th</sup> May 2015

The Cruise stopped at the Kom Ombo Temples for us to visit. It has a crocodile museum, in which they had stored lots of mummified crocodiles. It was creepy. After lunch we had another halt at Edfu. Here we took a horse carriage to the Temple of Edfu. In front of the temple, there was a scene depicting the Goddess Hathor nursing a baby Horus.

8<sup>th</sup> May 2015

The next day, our ship docked at Luxor and we went to the site where Hot Air Balloons were waiting for us. We had to climb a 4-foot basket. When the balloon lifted, we could see the whole of Luxor. We saw the surprise which was waiting for us far in the horizon. After we got off the balloon, we went straight to the Valley of Kings. We went into three tombs; one of them being Ramses II's. The fully recovered tomb of King Tutankhamen, his mummy and his gold coffin are there here. We visited an Alabaster shop where they make beautiful statues of alabaster stone. We went to the temple of Queen Hatshepsut, Karnak temple and Luxor temple. Karnak temple was the biggest temple we have ever visited. It had two Obelisks and many statues. There was a figure of Alexander the Great in the Luxor temple. We were dropped at Luxor airport to get our flight back to Cairo.

Nivedha B

III C



Temple Of Philae



Pompeii's Pillar



Karnak Temple



### Trip to Kochi- Sea port

On 29<sup>th</sup> April we went to Kochi. We stayed at Bollegatty Island. It is a wonderful place. It is fun going to places in ferries. I'm going to tell you about the Kochi port. Many ships arrive at the port and depart from there. It is a huge port with people doing a lot of work. I saw many ships and also a cruise liner. Hundreds of ships were being loaded every now and then. Automatic cranes pulled up huge containers and put them into trucks. The trucks went into the city. Trucks were waiting in huge lines to be loaded. After one went another came. I also saw a ship from a distance of about 500 meters. Ships came from so many places of the world, I can't name them. It was wonderful to see the Kochi port.



Srijan Ghosh

III C

## A DAY AT THE CARNIVAL

When we went to our native place Krishnanagar (Kolkata) in our summer holidays, we went to many places including a famous carnival in our district. It was a lot of fun over there because there were rides, food stalls, pickle markets, toy shops and even stores of clothes. We also got many things from the carnival. All of us enjoyed it including my brother and I. I took my brother, my cousin, my mother, my uncle and my grandmother to the carnival. This carnival was the best carnival I have even seen.



Srotaswini Das

III A

## BASKING SHARK

The basking shark has an enormous mouth and is big in size. It can swallow 1500 litres of water at a time. It is mostly found in the Atlantic and the Pacific Ocean.

Its scientific name is *Cetorhinus Maximus*. It lives only in the salty waters. The basking shark eats fish, plankton and invertebrates. Its close relatives are the bull shark, nurse shark, hammer head shark, grey reef shark and many other shark species. It has a lifespan of 20 – 100 years. The basking shark is the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest shark in the world.



Dheeraj

III B

## THE MOST WONDERFUL PLACE IN THE WORLD

The most wonderful place in the world for me is my granny's house which is in Sangli. My grandparents have a very big house and it is full of very pretty things. When I go there with my cousin Anu, they greet me very nicely. They always keep some chocolates and ice creams ready for us to eat. My grandpa also owns a Sugar Factory. I eat lots of sugar when I go there. He also owns a turmeric powder factory and he takes me there also. He has a mango and grape farm as well. Every time I go there, I get lots of mangoes to eat. When it is time to return to Bangalore, I don't feel like coming back but I tell myself that school is waiting for me in Bangalore and I come back. I love my grandparents' house.



Sameeksha K

III B



## SMILE

A smile is a lovely thing  
It crinkles up your face  
When it's gone its hard to find  
It's gone to far more wonderful places  
I smile at you and you smile at me  
And so one smile makes two!



Ridhi Sarin

III D

## COPA AMERICA

The Copa America is the main international tournament for the national teams of South America. The Copa America 2015 is being held in Chile between 11th June and 4th July. There are 12 teams that are divided into 3 groups for the competition, they are Argentina, Brazil, Columbia, Paraguay, Bolivia, Ecuador, Peru, Jamaica, Uruguay, (Title Holder) Chile, Mexico, Venezuela. Jamaica and Mexico have been invited to play Copa America this year.



The South American style of football is different. I love the way they play the crude style which is an open style of football being free moving and artistic. The purpose of this style is to "dazzle and awe". I support Argentina and I hope they win the Copa America this year. My favourite player Lionel Messi is the captain on the Argentinean team.

'La Victoria de Argentina' means 'Victory to Argentina' in Spanish.

Prithvi Sunil

III A

## WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO BE .....

I would like to be an international Bollywood dancer because I can dance well. I started to love dancing very much when I saw the movie ABCD – Anybody Can Dance. The choreographers danced so well that I wanted to be one of them.

Put your heart into dance, and dance will never leave your heart.

Riddhi Sarin

III D

## MY SUMMER VACATION

On April 23<sup>rd</sup> my cousins had come to Bangalore. We had a lot of fun and we played with them. We took them sightseeing in Bangalore. We went to Snow City. It was so much fun to play in the snow. We also went to malls and bought toys and dresses.

The next day we went to Mysore. By noon we reached our resort, which was called “Silent Shores”. There we played in the park and swimming pool for a long time. The next day we visited the zoo and saw a variety of animals. I liked the deer, peacock, tiger, leopard and a lot of colourful birds too. Then we went to Mysore palace. It was big and beautiful. Inside the palace I saw paintings of the royal family and the soldiers. We also saw the King’s Throne.

Then we went to Kabini. We stayed at “The Bison” resort. It was like a tent with a cloth door. It was in a jungle. We went for a jungle safari. We saw many deer, peacocks, elephants and a variety of birds. After that we went to Kerala to meet my Grandparents. It was a memorable trip and I loved it.

Meenakshi Aiyappan

III A

## MY VISIT TO TIRUPATI

I went to Tirupati in my new car. The temperature in Tirupati was 41°C and we put the AC on high speed. On either side of the highway, we saw mango and coconut trees. By the time we reached Tirupati, it was 2 pm. We had to reach Tirumala temple, so we had a quick lunch and headed towards the queue. I didn’t expect the queue to be so long. By the time we reached the temple, it was 6 pm in the evening. We had a good darshan of Lord Venkateshwara. We were all exhausted. We waited for our parents to get the Tirupati laddoo. On the way back to Bangalore, I saw a truck ram into a tree due to heavy rains. My visit to Tirupati was a memorable one and I distributed the laddoos to my neighbours.



Prithvi

III A

## MY VISIT TO THE MAGNIFICENT BELUM CAVES

I visited the Belum caves in Kurnool, Andhra Pradesh. Belum caves are the second largest caves in the Indian subcontinent. It is a natural; underground cave formed due to the constant flow of underground water. It was very humid inside the caves and I felt suffocated due to lack of oxygen. The caves had lighting and there were a few air vents inside. In some places it was dark and we had to use torches. There were bats moving around which frightened me. It was a wonderful experience walking through the caves with narrow openings. It was an unforgettable experience.

Shreya B.N

III C

## A BANK TRANSACTION

One day, our driver had come to discuss about his money transactions with my father. That was when I got interested in banks. I started asking my father how a bank works.

My father explained about how to open a bank account. For opening a bank account, you need to be at least 16 years of age. We must also have our identity proof and address proof.

After opening a bank account we get the following benefits:

- \*We can deposit or withdraw money.
- \*We earn interest (extra money) for our money.
- \*Our money will be safe.
- \*It is easier to do business transactions

The different types of bank accounts are given below:

- \*Savings account
- \*Current account
- \*Fixed deposit
- \*Recurring deposit

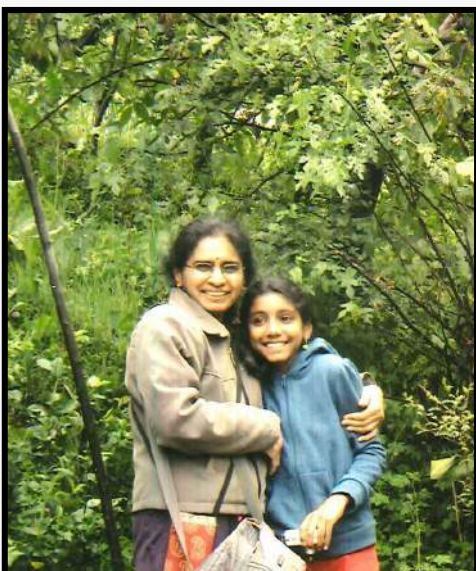
I found it very interesting and I have decided to open a bank account in the future.



Sri Vallabha B.S

III B

## MY MOTHER



My mother is my best friend. She takes care of me like nobody else, with lots of love. She wakes up early in the morning to make me breakfast and lunch and sends me to school. She plays with me and helps me in my studies. She always tries to keep me healthy and fit. When I do something wrong she scolds me and corrects me. When I am sad she consoles me and makes me happy. I love her a lot and I feel she is the best!

Aarushi B

III D



## RAINBOW

*I hear the raindrops fall on my window  
So very hard it makes the branches bow  
Its so very gloomy to be inside  
I wish that I could play outside  
At last out came the shining sun  
At last we could have some fun  
Then suddenly I noticed something  
Which looked like a colourful ring  
My knowledge may be low  
But I know it's a rainbow.*

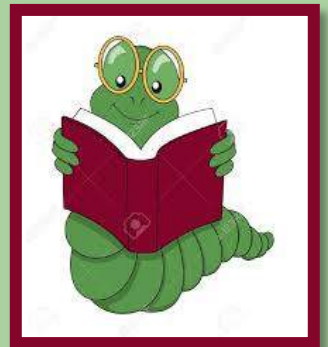


Sanjana Venkat

III A

## INTERESTING FACTS

- When a piece of glass cracks, it cracks at more than 4800 kmph.
- Our blood travels at 168 miles per hour.
- As much as 210 barrels of oil can be extracted from a large blue whale.
- The human brain uses the same amount of power as a low-voltage electric bulb.
- A scarf knitted from all the wool produced in Australia in one year can be used to wrap the world a 100 times.
- A snail can sleep for 300 years in a row.
- A sneeze can travel as fast as 100 mph.
- The body has 45 miles of nerves.
- A spider has colorless blood.
- The world consumes more than one billion gallons of petrol everyday.
- The Brainiest creature in the world is a silk worm.



Compiled by Anika Sree

III C

## JOKES IN A CLASSROOM

Teacher: What is closer, the moon or Mumbai?

Student: Ma'am, the moon is closer.

Teacher: How? Isn't Mumbai on earth, in India?

Student: Ma'am we can't see Mumbai, but we can see the moon from anywhere.



Ayush Bera  
III C

## **‘SARISKA - THE TIGER RESERVE ROARS AGAIN’**

My favourite book is ‘Sariska - The Tiger Reserve Roars Again’ by my grandfather Mr. Sumayan Sharma. This place lost all its tigers due to poaching in 2004. In 2008, my grandfather was assigned the task of reintroducing tigers in Sariska by relocating tigers from another tiger reserve



in Ranthambore. He completed his assignment successfully. This project was the first tiger relocation project in the world. This book talks about the reintroduction of tigers in Sariska and my grandfather's experiences while carrying out this assignment.

**Shivansh**

**III B**

## **MY TRIP TO SINGAPORE**

I went to Singapore in May 2015 with my family. It was my first vacation outside India. We stayed near a place called Little India. On the first evening, we visited the Night Safari. We went for the safari in a tram which moved along the forest. There were many animals, set free in their natural habitat. We also saw an animal show. The next day, we went to the Singapore Flyer. It is the biggest giant wheel in the world. Then we went to the Merlion Park. Here stood the half lion-half fish creature called the ‘Merlion’. The fish symbolizes the prosperity of Singapore. The next day, we went to Sentosa Island, an amusement park, by cable car. We played many adventure games and returned to Bangalore the next day. One thing I learnt is that if we violate the law, we will have to pay a hefty fine.



**J.M.Yadunandh**

**III B**

## RAIN DROPS

*When the sky is blue and bright,  
It suddenly gets covered with dark clouds  
tight*

*With the rain drops shining on the window  
pane  
Like colours blue and white on the side.*

*In the morning when the weather is cool and  
pleasant,*

*In the north lies the way of mine*

*But the raindrops were shining on the  
window pane, like blue and white*

Gauri Sehgal  
III A

## MY FAVOURITE DAY

*Today I have to say,  
It is my favourite day.  
It is my birthday,  
I celebrated it - oh so gay.*

*My mother baked a cake,  
Which my brother helped to make.  
My father played a song,  
To which everybody danced along.*

*We played a game,  
It's called 'What's the name?'  
Today was the best day ever,  
Which may come never.*

Meghana G.T.  
III D

## SOCIAL SERVICE

Once an old man, aged more than seventy, went to see his spiritual leader. He was quite active, well - dressed and with an enormous turban wound around his head. The leader agreed to meet him and give him some time. He set the conversational ball rolling by asking his disciple where he was from, and what he did. The person answered that he was from the nearby town and that he was a social worker. The leader said, "Is that so? I am very happy to hear that you are a social worker! It is what our country needs. What do you actually do?" The aged person was gratified to have the reaction and said that he organized meetings in villages where he distributed clothes to the needy, and also fed the masses of poor. The spiritual leader said, "Oh! You call this social service? This is not correct. As a human being it is your duty to clothe the naked and feed the hungry. It is unfortunate that you call this social service. The real social service is not this. When you can do something to lift up your brothers and sisters to the true goal of realization then that can be called social service." After this person left, the leader remarked, "See how our values have degenerated. Our country has always been known for its spiritual values and the great hospitality of the people. But now this is what we have become. But still I am telling you, no where in the world will you find such hospitality you find in India, even today. By God's grace, India will rise again to be the spiritual leader of mankind.

Avyukta Lather  
III B



## MATH RIDDLES

1. I am an odd number. Take away one letter and I become even. What number am I?
2. Which 3 numbers have the same answer whether they are added or multiplied together?
3. What is the easiest way to double your money?
4. What goes up and doesn't come back down?
5. How can you add eight 8's to get the number 1000(only use addition)
6. What weighs more - a pound of iron or a pound of feathers?
7. Why is 6 afraid of 7?



**Answers:** 1. Seven    2. One, two and three    3. Put it in front of a mirror    4. Your age  
5.  $888+88+8+8+8=1000$     6. Both would weigh the same    7. Because 7 8(ate) 9

Navya Jain

III C

## VIBGYOR

*Rainbow, Rainbow up so high,  
Rainbow, Rainbow gives us light,  
Up in the sky after the rain,  
Shining so bright again,  
Think of the angels that  
Made this for us because  
When you see a rainbow  
You smile with glee,  
And what about the gold hidden  
In the air which people believe,  
We are happy because we  
Have a rainbow....  
In our world...*

Haarika.D.Reddy

III D

## CAN YOU SOLVE THESE RIDDLES?

What time is it when an elephant sits on your bike?

Ans:- It is time to get a new bike!

Which letter appears twice in a week and once in a year?

Ans:- The letter "e"!

Which letter appears twice in a moment but once in month?

Ans:- The letter "m"!

Which is the flower that talks?

Ans:- Tulip - because it has two lips.



Harshit Awasthi

III C

## MY FAMILY TRIP TO KASHMIR

My family and I went on a five day trip to Kashmir. When we landed we directly went to stay in a houseboat in the famous Dal Lake for a night. In the evening we went for a shikara ride and saw the floating market. The next day we went to Gulmarg. There we went for a gondola ride at the height of 8400 ft. and saw beautiful mountains and meadows. We played in the snow and did sledging.



Next day we saw Sindh River and many cherry trees on the way to Sonemarg, there we went on a pony ride to Thajiwas glacier. The panoramic view of the Snow Capped Mountains was so beautiful that it seemed too good to be true.

The following day we started early for Pehalgam and enroute saw Avanthipura ruins and Marthand Sun Temple ruins which were more than 1000 years old. In Pehalgam we saw Betab valley, Aru valley and Chandanwadi (starting point of Amarnath Yatra). On the way back we played in the ice cold water of Lidder River where we saw spectacular views. We also saw apple, walnut and almond orchards. In Srinagar we saw beautiful Mughal gardens (Nishad Bagh, Shalimar Bagh, and Chasme Shasi) and Shankaracharya Temple.

I feel like going there again sometime.

Aarushi B

III D

## ನಕ್ಷತ್ರ

ಸಂಜೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನಕ್ಷತ್ರಗಳು ಆಕಾಶದಲ್ಲಿ

ಮಿನುಗುತ್ತಿರುತ್ತವೆ.

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ಮಿನುಗುತ್ತವೆ.

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# MY TRIP TO DISNEYLAND

## The Fabulous FOURTH Graders!

I love Mickey Mouse. This time, during my summer vacations, my dream of meeting the real Mickey Mouse came true when my parents took me to Disneyland in California, USA. Disneyland is a theme park that was developed by the famous cartoonist, Walt Disney, way back in the 1950s. My trip to Disneyland was just wonderful and since my childhood friend Bulbul was accompanying me, it became all the more memorable.

We decided to visit the park on 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 2015, during Disneyland's 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations. We started early and reached the park by 8 am. As soon as I entered, I felt as if I was in a dream world. Everything was so much like a fairytale that I felt like I was living in it. No wonder it is considered 'The Happiest Place on Earth'. Just at the gates we saw Ariel - the little mermaid. We took pictures with her and also took her autograph. Later in the day, we met many more Disney characters: Snow White, Goofy, Minnie Mouse and of course, the king of Disneyland - Mickey Mouse. Mickey was busy shooting his next movie and we had to wait for one hour to meet him and get his autograph.



There were a lot of nice rides that we went for. The simulation rides, roller coasters, the 'Finding Nemo' submarine ride, the 'Cars' ride, etc. We also rode a toy train that took us all over the park.

We went to Mickey's Toon Town and visited Mickey and Minnie Mouse's houses. By evening, we were all so tired after all the walking, but none of us wanted to go back. Just then, the Disneyland Parade started. It is one of the most beautiful things I have ever seen. The parade has all of the Disney characters walking past with beautiful music and a million colourful lights. Tinkerbell was flying in the air and was throwing pixie dust. Ariel, Peter Pan, Rapunzel and Lightning McQueen were all there. My little brother, who by then was very tired and sleepy, was also mesmerized and dazzled while watching his favourite car Lightning McQueen. After the parade, the fireworks started and they were spectacular. I enjoyed my trip to Disneyland a lot and I wish I could go there again.

Diya Srivastava

IV B

## MY TRIP TO GOA

It was 12<sup>th</sup> April, our first day on our trip to Goa. We had to catch a flight from Bangalore International airport to Goa. Oops! I totally forgot to tell you that our family friends were also accompanying us on our trip. When the plane took off, it looked like a cotton candy city. We were above the clouds and I could only see the blank blue sky. When the plane started descending as we neared Goa airport, it looked like the plane was running among the clouds. When we landed at the airport, we took a taxi to Varka. We reached our hotel, checked into our room and then we went swimming. We had lots of fun playing at the beach later. Oh! The water was so salty. I made sand castles. On the third day, we took a taxi from the hotel and we went to a spice garden called Sahakari Spice Garden. We had a lady instructor who took us around the garden. There were many types of spices such as vanilla, cashew nut tree, betel nut tree, nutmeg tree, piri piri chilli plant and bay leaf plant. The instructor told us that they make a drink from cashew fruit called cashew fenny. Don't be so excited to taste the drink because it is not for children as it contains alcohol in it!

Vishwas Devarashetty

IV D

## MY TRIP TO KANYAKUMARI

In my summer vacations, I went to Kanyakumari with my grandparents. We started from Tumkur in a car and it took several hours to reach Kanyakumari. It was formerly known as Cape Comerin, a town in Kanyakumari district in the state of Tamil Nadu. It lies in the southernmost tip of India. Kanyakumari's name derives from Goddess Kumari Amman or the Kanyakumari temple, which is situated at the sea shore. We went on a boat ride and visited the Vivekananda Rock Memorial which is situated where the three oceans meet: the Bay of Bengal, the Indian Ocean and the Arabian Sea.

In the evening, we went to watch the sunset and played at the beach. From there, we went to the Kanyakumari Temple and prayed to the Goddess. The next day, we visited Lord Ganesha's temple and from there we came back to Tumkur. It was a very nice trip. This was my first long trip by road passing through the states of Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu. I would like to visit Kanyakumari again with my parents.

Sruja

IV D



## EARTHQUAKE IN KOLKATA

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Kolkata, Ichapur

Richter scale-7.9

Every summer my mother, brother and I travel to Ichapur because we get some time for relaxation and fun. This year was no exception but this year I had a great lifetime experience of an earthquake.

It was Saturday and a rainy day too so I was playing with my brother when I felt the ground shaking. I thought it was an illusion but in the blink of an eye, my grandpa shouted; 'It's an earthquake!' We quickly ran down the stairs and wore our shoes. My aunt was cooking in the kitchen and didn't feel the earth shaking. I called her name several times but she gave no reply. My grandpa told her to get out. We went outside leaving all our things inside. We saw many people leaving their houses. My uncle's friend said that the pond beside our house was rippling. We ran to see the rippling effect of the water in the pond. Everyone was excited on seeing the pond. The pond had huge waves and slowly reduced to small ripples. Then it became still so after seeing the pond everyone felt that the earthquake is over. Soon they returned to their homes. When we came back we saw that the manual clock in grandpa's house had stopped and there was no signal in the mobile. We set the clock to the correct time and the phone too. Later on I called my grand-aunt to know the epicenter of the earthquake. It was in Nepal. My uncle in Siliguri, a small town in North Bengal near the foothills of Himalayas, said that a car was shaking as if it was on a swing. Then we called my paternal grandpa to know whether they were fine or not. I was thrilled because it was my first time experiencing an earthquake. I was anxious about the next earthquake that my mother told us to be aware of. I even felt sad for the people in Nepal who had lost their homes and loved ones. I prayed to God to keep them safe and healthy. This was one of the most dangerous experiences and I prayed to God that this dangerous disaster should never occur again.

Anubhav Gupta

IV C



## THINK TWICE

*Think twice before you cut a tree,  
Because trees make you breathe free!*

*Think twice before you kill a bee,  
Because you may lose honey!*

*Think twice before you waste,  
Because the world can end up in haste!*

*Think twice before you litter,  
Because it will never make the world better!*

*So think twice before you act!*

G.Sijenna

IV A

## FUN FACTS

- The hottest Planet in the Solar System is Venus and not Mercury. At over 800 degrees, it is hotter than Mercury because the clouds and abundant carbon dioxide hold in most of the heat received from the sun.
- Water is the only substance on Earth that is lighter as a solid than as a liquid.
- There are giant waterfalls under the ocean! The largest is between Greenland and Iceland. This submarine waterfall drops 11,500 feet, three times the height of any land waterfall.
- There is no word that rhymes with orange or purple.

Diya Srivastava

IV B

## MY BEDROOM

*My Bed is so big with  
Air conditioners, tables and chairs,  
Stands a big wardrobe  
For my books, dresses and stuff*

*When I jump on the bed  
It is so bumpy and red  
When I lay down to rest  
I feel I am the best*

*When my mother shouts at me  
"Subhashri, get up!"*

*I am so lazy I don't bother at all  
Because I love my bed*

*It is so soft.*

*When I get up without any choice  
I have to walk across my bedroom  
hearing their loud voice*

*My bedroom is the best of all  
As big as my hall.*

Subhasri.V

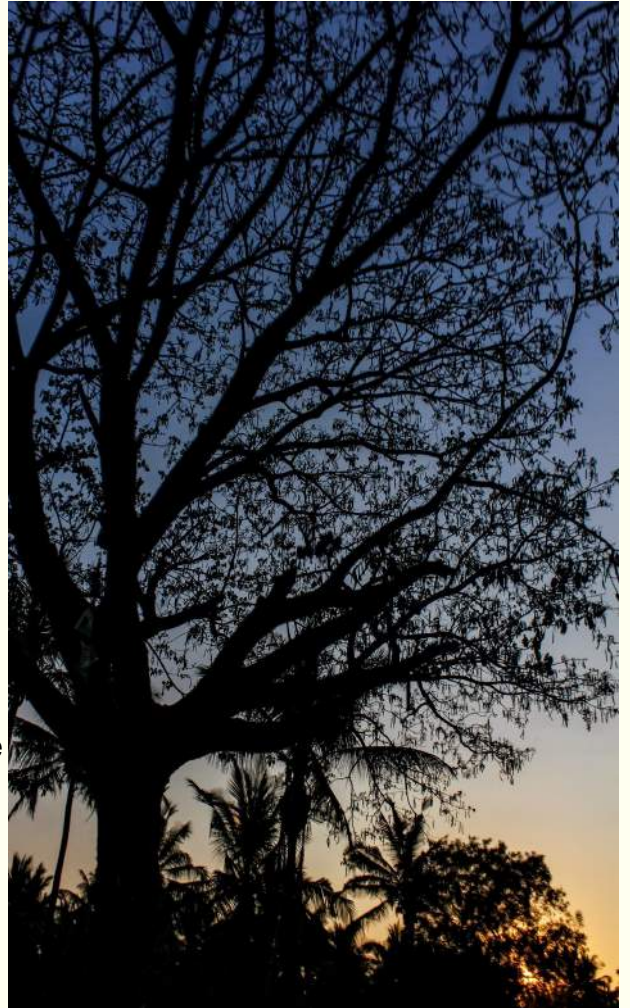
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## A WONDERFUL TRIP TO CHIKMAGALUR

On May 4<sup>th</sup>, I was really excited because we had planned for a summer vacation to Chikmagalur the next day. On May 5<sup>th</sup>, early morning, we drove to Chikmagalur and reached around lunch time. We had a good lunch in the resort and we played badminton in the evening. The next day we visited beautiful mountains, valleys, view points and waterfalls. We also went for a wildlife safari in Muthodi Wildlife Sanctuary and saw peacocks, bison, deer, and the other animals. From Chikmagalur, we went to temples in Sringeri and Horanadu. On our way back to Bangalore, we went to the world famous heritage site - temples in Belur and Halebedu. These temples have many stone carvings and beautiful sculptures. We returned to Bangalore with the sweet memories of the Western Ghats and ancient temples.

Navyata.V



### IV B

## AUSTRALIA

Australia is a continent in the southern hemisphere. Australia is a really beautiful country. It is famous for Kangaroos. Surfing is a popular sport in Australia. Apart from surfing, snorkelling and scuba diving are also popular. The waves that come along the Australian coast are suitable for surfing. Tunnel surfing is mostly done here. All types of fruits are found in Australia but most of them are seasonal. Australia is a large producer of milk and milk products, wine and wool. Many types of cheese are made and are exported from Australia.

Anika Khanna

IV A





## BEACH VIBES

It was a warm evening, the sun was going to set when the warm winds blew. The sky had a beautiful red-orange colour. The clouds had covered the beautiful sun. I could feel the ocean breeze. Looking at the waves hitting the land, I kept playing the guitar sitting on the sand.

There came along a person serving lemonade in a beautifully decorated glass with a blue, mini umbrella and a lemon slice on the glass. Sipping the lemonade with a green straw, I heard the people shouting.

There the wind blew again, my paper flew off. I heard the sound of birds. I saw the sun going down, I felt it becoming dark. Now, I had to go, wrap up my things and say bye and leave.

Aslesha

IV C

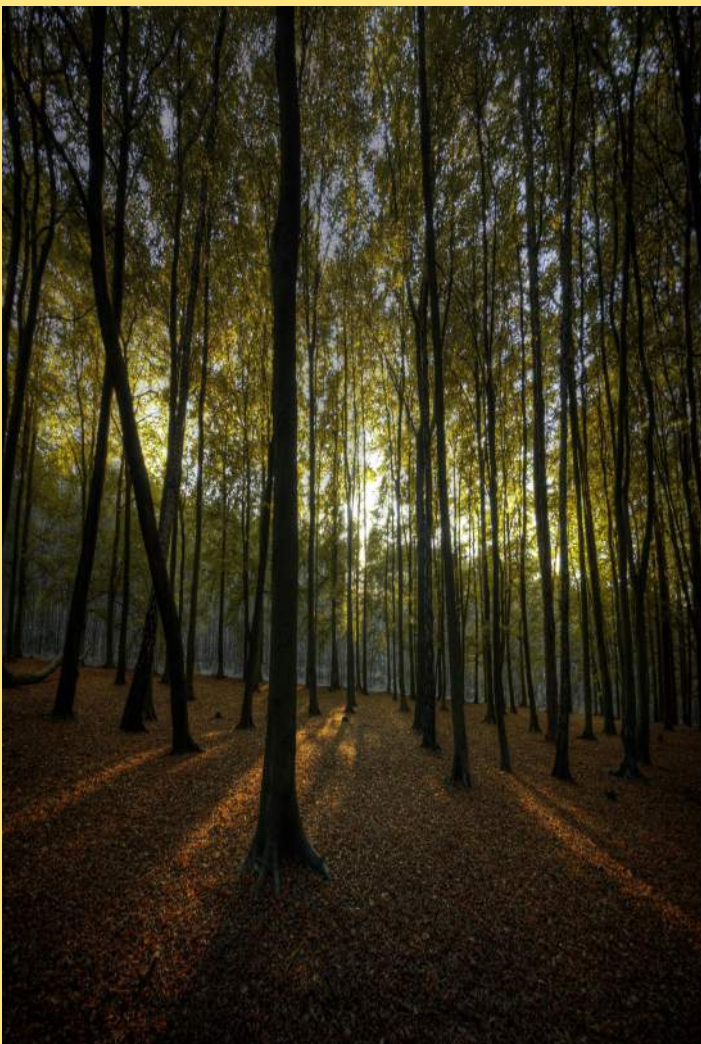


## ONE DAY IN THE WOODS

The last week of my summer vacation turned out to be one of the most unforgettable moments in my life. I went for a six kilometre trek into the woods near Munnar. I was very excited when we started but slowly became tired. I still enjoyed seeing the different types of trees, plants and insects. The guide showed us elephant footsteps on our way. After an hour of walking we reached a waterfall and all my energy came back when I saw it. I spent the next hour in the water playing with my parents. Just when we were ready to return, I realized we had nothing to eat and I was very hungry. We managed with just one bottle of water which got emptied half way. We then filled the bottle from the wild stream. I somehow managed and walked over the steep rocks. Finally we reached the road. At that point I felt happy about the entire trip and became very confident. My parents were very happy with me and gave me a big hug.

G. Sijenna

IV A





## CRIES OF THE SLAVE

*Sold in the market,  
Not seen my family yet,  
Prodded like animals,  
Judged by my colour,  
I am not treated as a human,  
What wrong have I done?  
Whipped for a small mistake,  
You ask me, "What do you want?"  
I say its freedom I want,  
Judged by my life'  
And to eat food I have to strive?  
No one listens to my cries,  
With chains they tie,  
Now I feel no one cares for me,  
I just want to be free, free, and free!*

Rishika

IV A



## CHRISTMAS TIME

*Snow is falling on the dome round,  
Snow is falling all around.  
It is snowing on the land,  
Sing the sweet tweeting band.*

*The Christmas tree shines so bright,  
All the decorations and the light.  
Decorated with red and green,  
And candy canes in my dream.*

*Santa Claus is coming to town,  
He sees boys and girls in their night gowns.  
Finally it's 12 midnight,  
Santa Claus, sleighing at a height.*

Ria and Aslesha

IV C

## MY FAVOURITE AUTHOR

I love reading books. I have read many children's books written by different authors. But the books that I like the most are by my favourite author - Roald Dahl.

Roald Dahl was a British novelist, short story writer, poet, screenwriter and a fighter pilot. He served in the Air Force during World War II but later became an author. He became famous as an author in the 1940s and has been referred to as *"one of the greatest storytellers for children of the 20<sup>th</sup> century."*

He has written many books for children as well as grown-ups. Some of his popular children's books are- James and the Giant Peach, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, Matilda, The Witches, Fantastic Mr. Fox, The Twits, George's Marvellous Medicine and the BFG. I have read all of these and my favourite is "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory."

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory is a story about a boy - Charlie, who along with his grandpa and a group of other children and their parents visit the mysterious chocolate factory of Mr. Willy Wonka. The whole description of the chocolate factory is so magical and completely unexpected. There is a movie also by the same name, based on this story.

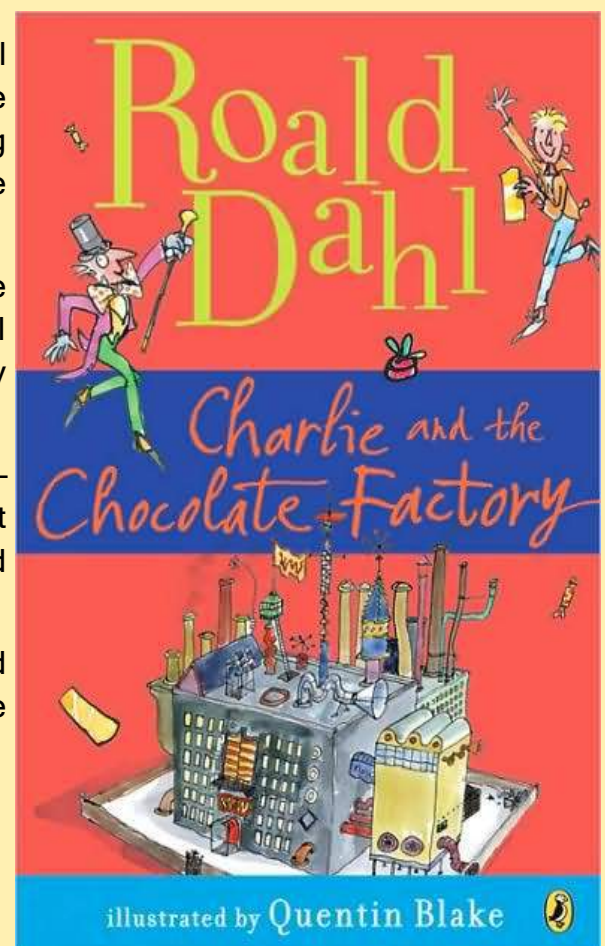
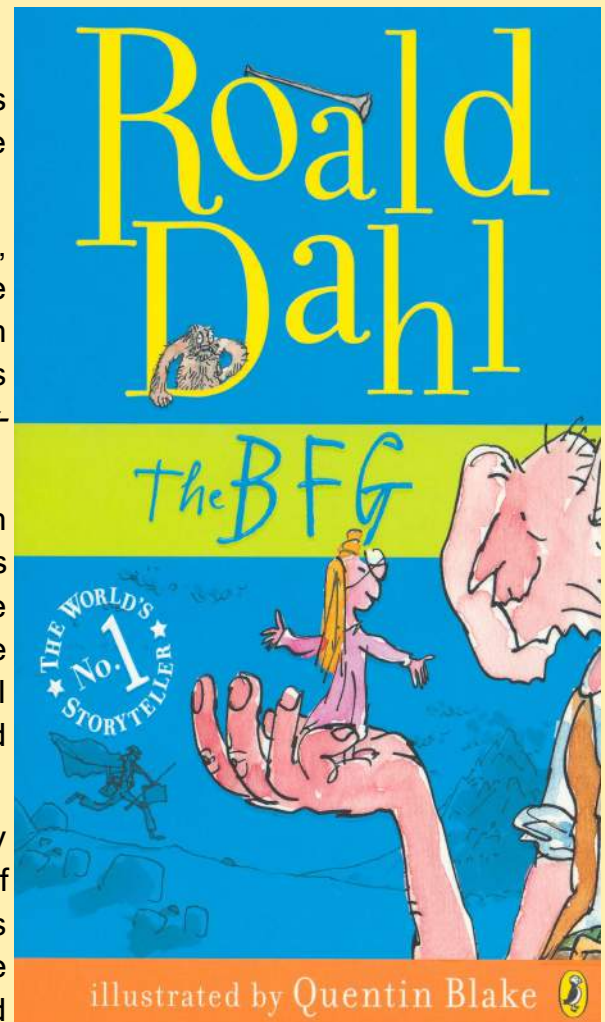
I like Roald Dahl's books as they take me into a magical world, and this world is completely different from the fairy tales we often read. There is always something unexpected coming up, something that I couldn't have guessed at all.

His books are funny like the Twits. His description of the Twits is so hilarious that I burst into laughter every time I read it. But some situations in his books make me cry too.

I often wonder how Roald Dahl could think like us - children. A lot of times I feel that I could have thought the same in that situation. I also like the fact that the bad people always get punished in his stories.

Overall, I think Roald Dahl was a fantastic author and wish that he was still around so he could write more books for us.

**Diya Srivastava**  
**IV B**

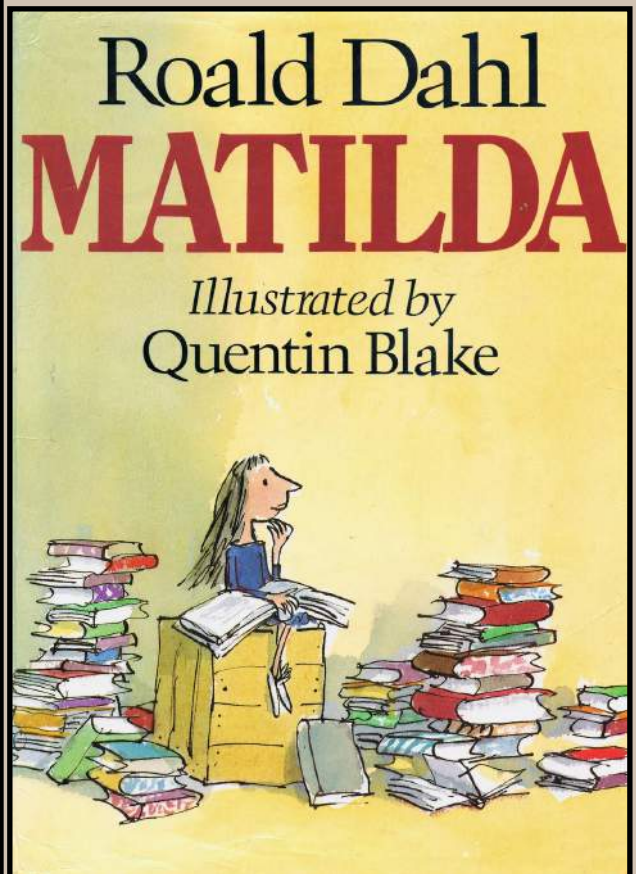




## MY FAVORITE STORYBOOK- MATILDA

Books improve our knowledge and vocabulary. In this story, a young girl named Matilda was not given any education till she was six and a half years old. When she was 3 ,she started to go to a library. When her parents left for work she used to read a lot of books and thus got special powers. She had a rude principal in a school. Even her parents were rude! But Mrs. Trunchbull (the principal) had a niece, Mrs. Honey who was Matilda's teacher. How will Matilda and Mrs. Honey defeat Mrs. Trunchbull ? Read to know more - just like I did!

Sinchana C Rai  
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## LORD OF PURI

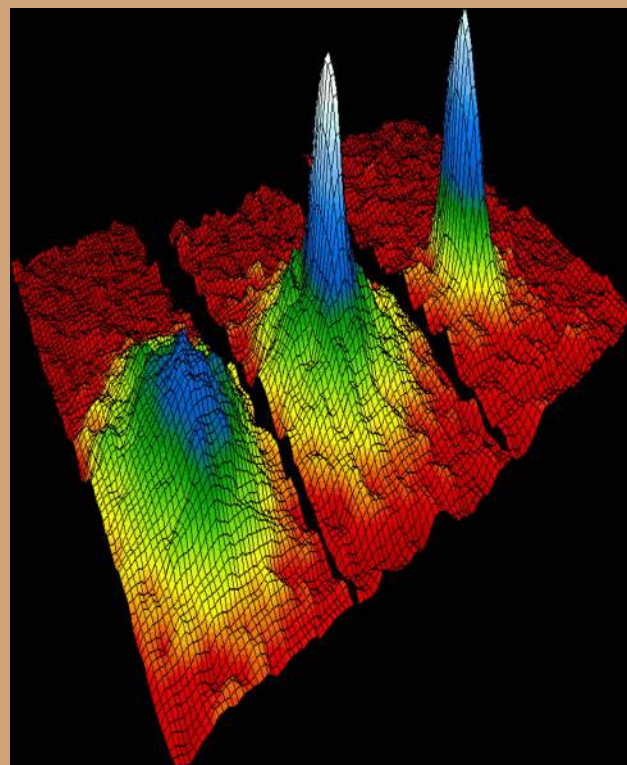
Puri is one of the holy dharmas of India. It is located 60Km from Bhubaneswar, on the coast of the Bay of Bengal. The name literally means "Lord of the Universe". Puri is also called Jagannath dhama. The present temple was made by Chora Ganga Deva and finished by his descendant Ananga Bhima Deva. The main deities in the temple are Lord Jagannath, his elder brother Balabhadra and his younger sister Subhadra. The deities are made of wood from a sacred tree.

Aditi Priyadarshini  
IV D



## THE FIFTH STATE OF MATTER

How many states of matter do you know? We all know three main states - Solid, Liquid and Gas. Some of us also know about a fourth state called Plasma. But do you know there is a fifth state of matter? It is called Bose-Einstein Condensate. It is formed when matter is cooled down till nearly 0 degrees Celsius. In this matter, the molecules stop vibrating. The concept of this matter was taught by Satyendra Nath Bose and Albert Einstein. It was therefore named after them; The first example of this matter was created by Carl Wieman and Eric Cornell. This matter is very fragile and unstable. Examples include solar corona and snowflakes.



Tanmay Gupta

IV B

## WHY DO DOGS SNIFF?

Everybody knows that dogs sniff, but have you ever wondered as to why they sniff? Here is the story behind it. One day all the dogs threw a dinner party. All the dogs including the Mayor had been invited.

Suddenly, the Mayor asked for some pepper. There was no pepper at home. So a dog offered to go to the market and buy some. Nobody knew who that dog was, but he never returned. The Mayor was angry as he had to remain hungry for long. He shouted at the dogs and said that he would never attend their parties again.

The dogs were ashamed of themselves and wanted to punish that dog. The dogs realized that whoever the culprit was, he would smell of pepper. So every time, the dogs meet, they sniff for pepper, hoping to find the culprit.



B. Harini

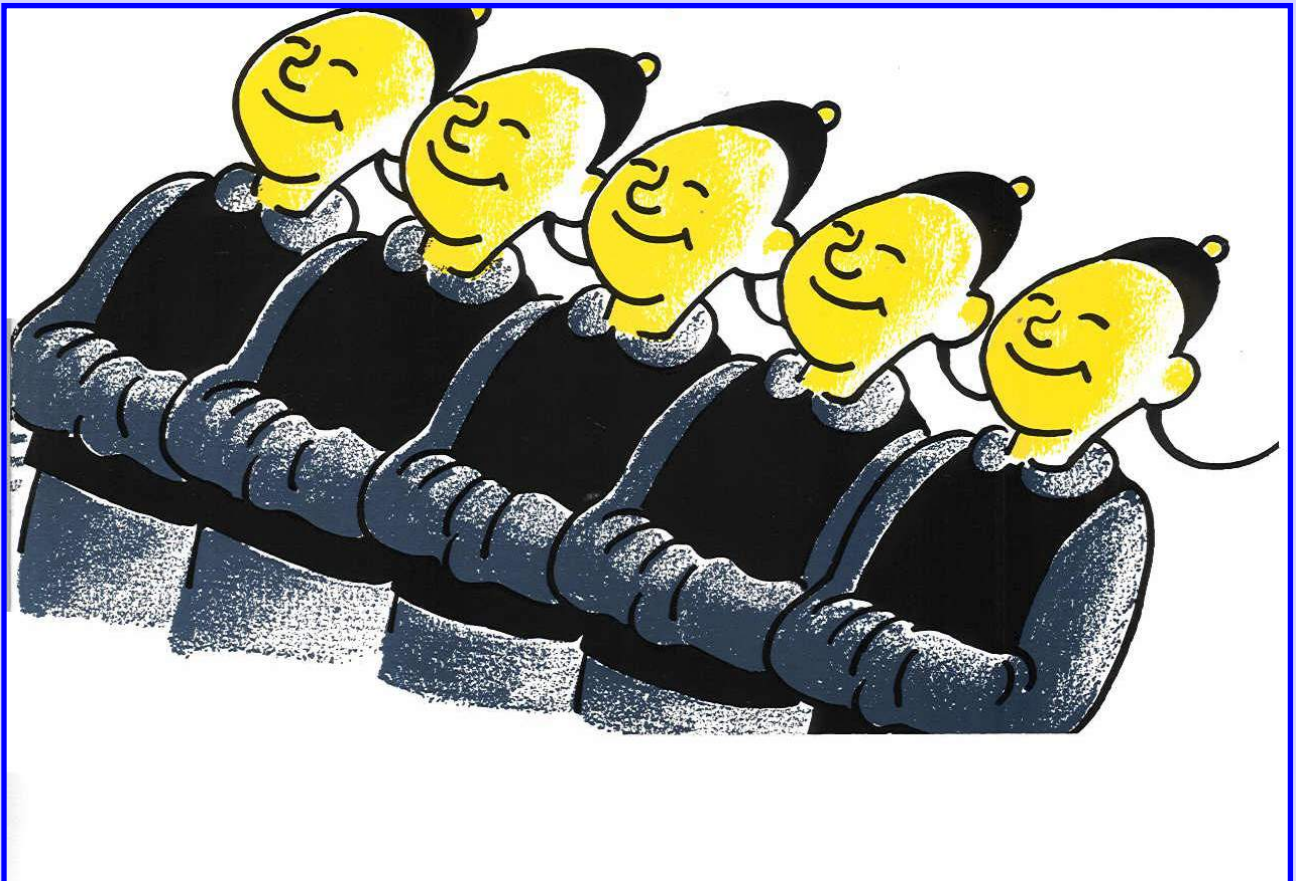
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## THE FIVE BROTHERS

A long time ago, in the Chinese village of Wai-nei, there lived five brothers - Chun, Chang, Shin, Shan and Ming. Their father was a Chinese priest. So, when they grew up, all of them had a lot of knowledge on the Chinese Gods. That is why each of them set off for the mountains and worshipped a different Chinese god. After ten years of penance, the Gods were pleased and granted each one of them a wish. Chun asked to be able to drink up all water from a water body. Chang asked to have an iron neck. Shin asked to be able to float on water. Shan asked that he shouldn't be able to burn. Ming asked to be able to hold his breath indefinitely. After getting their boons, all of them set off to different cities. Chun set off to Mirpur where there were many rivers filled with fish but the fisherman just couldn't catch them. To help them, he used to drink up all the water and the fisherman used to take two fish each and return. Then, Chun would fill back the water. Chang went to Sirpur, where there were lots of marshes. He would use his iron neck to pull out all the elephants stuck in the marshes. Shin went to Tirpur where lots of people used to drown due to high tide. He saved them from drowning with his ability to float on water. Shan went to Linpur where lightning often struck and burnt the houses. He became the town's firefighter and saved people trapped in the blazing houses. Ming travelled from coast to coast to save the wrecked ships by diving in, to retrieve whatever had sunk with the ship.

Tanmay Gupta

IV B



## GO-KARTING

A go kart is a type of Formula 1 car but it is much smaller in size. I went go karting this summer. It was a new experience for me. We bought the tickets and chose our helmets. Then we got in our cars. I was really scared because it was the first time I drove a car. My brother wasn't scared at all. We all had six laps to complete. Then the race started. It was very difficult for me to drive that car. My brother drove his smoothly and took the lead. After two laps I got the confidence to drive it. I drove the car very fast and caught up with my brother at the end of five laps. In the last lap we both finished together. After getting out of the car I told my brother that he was like the character in Furious 7 because he was fast, furious and his age was seven. Go karting is a must do activity that everyone should try.

Sanjeev Krishnaa

IV B



## SUMMER VACATION OF 2015

I was very busy in fourth standard with academics and I waited eagerly for my summer vacations. I planned so many delightful things. I met my cousins and had loads of fun. One of my cousins had been relocated from USA and I got a chance to know about their structure of education. We shared so many facts and stories. I was in my grandparents' house and had a great time. I played with my naughty younger cousin. I relished juicy, yummy mangoes over there. Later, I came to my sweet home in Bengaluru and enjoyed the rest of my vacations with the friends in our apartments playing indoor and outdoor games for long hours.

Apart from playing, I also concentrated on my studies and tried working hard on improving my weaknesses as per my teachers' advice. Now, after the best and most amazing summer vacation that I have ever had, I am ready to go back to school and learn new and interesting things and to meet all my friends after a long break. It was a relaxing summer vacation.

Sathvik

IV A



## SHADOWS

*Wherever I go,  
I see my shadow.  
I see it on my right,  
But on my left at night.*

*It keeps following me until sunset,  
But I can't see it under my bed.  
It pursues me,  
When I go for my tea.*

*I see it in my dream,  
When I'm eating biscuit cream.  
Wherever I go,  
There is my shadow.*

Aslesha and Ria  
IV C



## THE GOLDEN FAIRY

*Dark in the midnight  
You could see a flashlight  
Who do you think it could be  
It is a fairy that you would see.*

*Small and cute  
Picking tiny fruit,  
Clearing up the weeds  
To plant some seeds.*

*After watering the plants,  
She goes to France,  
To meet the parrots  
And give them some carrots.*

*This garden creature  
Comes in my dream  
And vanishes suddenly  
Which makes me scream.*

*Aaa.....*

Athulya  
IV B



## RIDDLES



Q. What comes down but never goes up?

A. *Rain*

Q. I am tall when I am young, but I become short when I grow old. Who am I?

A. *A candle*

Q. What is the longest word in the dictionary?

A. *Smiles, because there is a mile between each 's'.*

Q. What word becomes shorter when you add two letters to it?

A. *Short*

Q. What travels around the world but stays in one spot?

A. *Stamp*

Q. What occurs in one minute, twice in a moment and never in a thousand years?

A. *The letter 'M'.*

Q. If I have it, I don't share it. If I share it, I don't have it. What is it?

A. *A secret*

Q. What is so delicate that saying its name breaks it?

A. *Silence*

Q. A man was driving his truck. The lights were not on. The moon was not out. Up ahead, a woman was crossing the street. How did he see her?

A. *It was a bright sunny day!*

Q. What goes up but never comes down?

A. *Your Age*

Diya Srivastava

IV B

## ಸ್ಫೂರ್ತಿ

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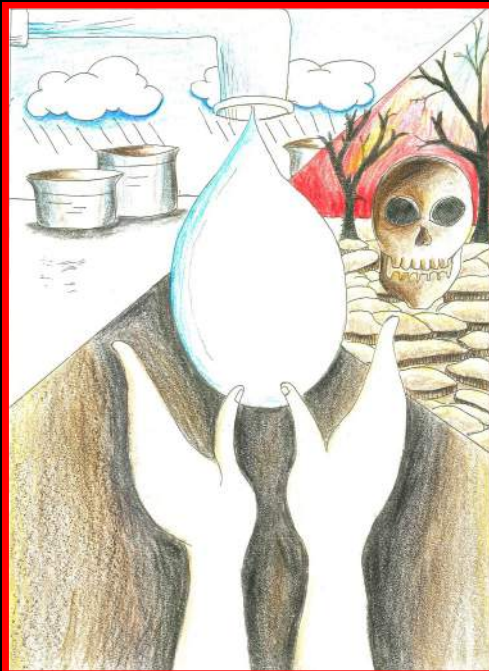
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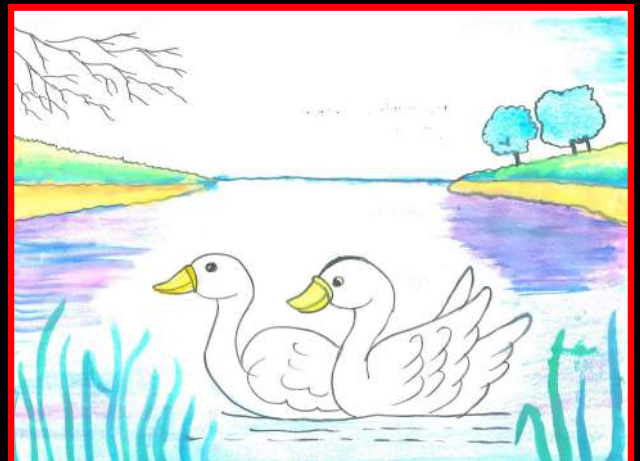
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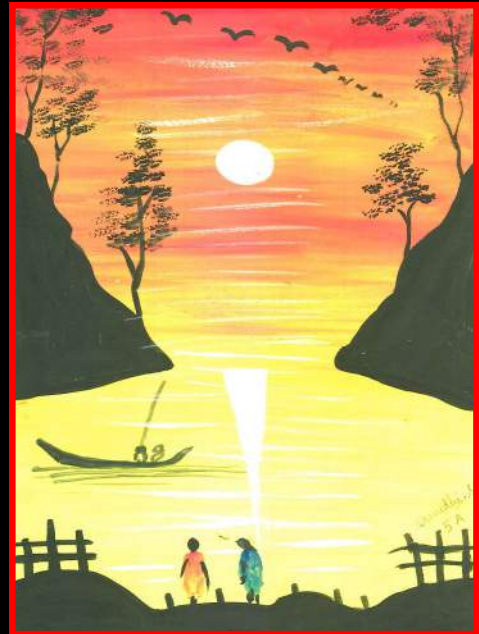


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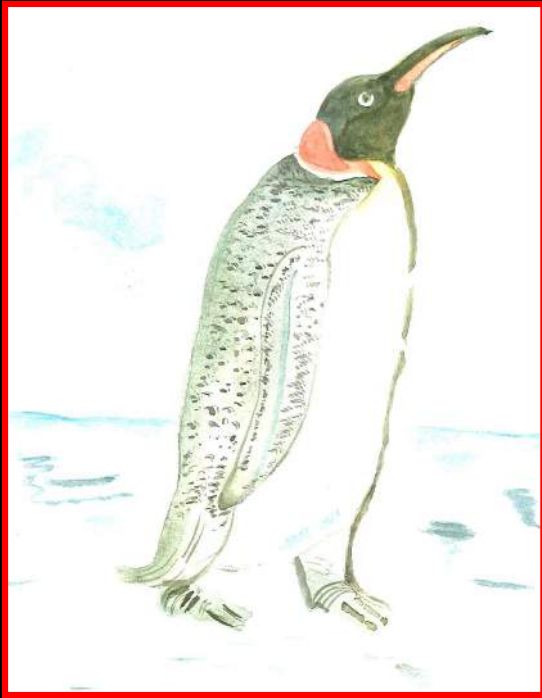


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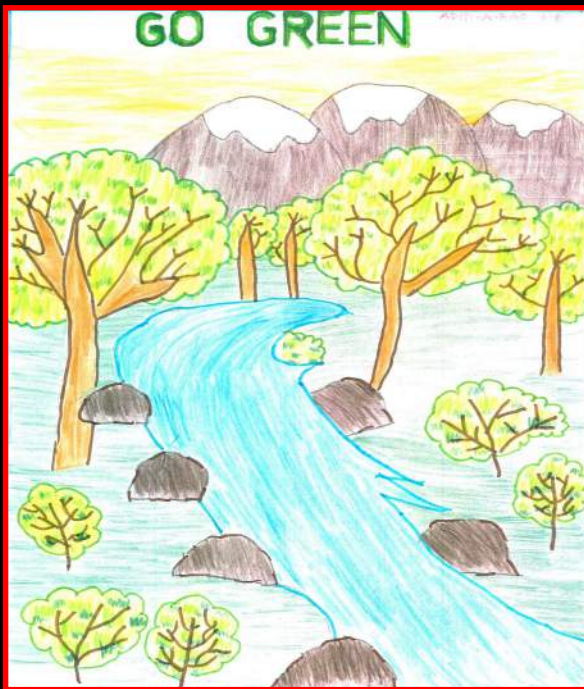


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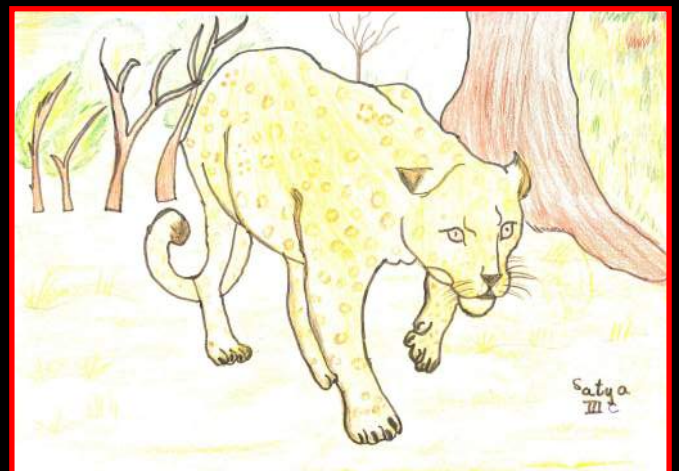
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SATYA, II - C

## A MEETING WITH RUSKIN BOND

**Flamboyant FIFTH Graders!**

It all started at 7.55 am one day. My mother was combing my hair, my sister was finishing her breakfast and the tension was there, hanging in the air. Suddenly my father said, "Nangai, Mangai come here and see! In the Forum mall, at the Landmark store, Landmark and Scholastic are conducting a reading contest! The winners will get to meet Ruskin Bond ! That too in Mussoorie, free of cost! We went for the first round, and got selected for the second. We also took part in the second round and both of us got selected for the FINAL round! I must say, I was proud of my sister, Mangai from class 2-B because she was the youngest among the finalists ! When the results were declared, I was the WINNER, who was to meet RUSKIN BOND himself!

On the 29th of July, I was to go to Mussoorie, a beautiful hill station in Uttarakhand. It is a very chilly and wonderful place. That evening, my father and I went for a walk, to the local market. We came back to our hotel all cold.

The next morning, fresh and early, I went up the hill to his house. I wished him and introduced myself: "I'm Nangai, from Freedom International School, Bangalore." I gave him his picture which I had drawn - a portrait of Mr. Bond. He remarked, "Yes, It's nice but I am not so good looking, am I? He giggled, "You know what Nangai? I'll stick this portrait of yours on my mirror, I'll look at it every morning and I'll say - Good job Ruskin, you look as charming as a prince today !" That made us roar with laughter. I then read out my poem. I clicked a few pictures with him, took his autograph, shook hands and came back. My joy knew no bounds after meeting him.

### Excerpt of the interview between Ruskin Bond and Nangai:

Q1: Sir, why did you choose to become an author, even though it wasn't a respectable profession at that time?

A1: Oh well, I was a natural bookworm, so I became an author instead of a soldier in the army.

Q2: What qualities should a writer have?

A2 No specific ones but, a good writer should have a good English teacher, should have a good handwriting and should be a good reader.

Q3: Did you like reading at a very young age like in your school days, sir?

A3: Yes, surely. In fact, I used to sneak down to the library so often that I was put in charge of the library!





Q4: Which was your very first short story, sir?

A4: Well, at that time I hated math and the math teacher. So, I wrote a funny, short story on my math teacher, which wasn't appreciated! That was my very first short story, I suppose

Q5: Did your parents encourage your decision to become an author?

A5: A little maybe, but the first time I told my mother that I wanted to become an author she said -" Now Ruskin , don't be silly , go join the army !"

It was a wonderful experience meeting Mr. Bond.

## MUSSOORIE

*Oh sir I didn't know this place ,  
It's beauty I can now grace  
Atop a hill greenery all around  
Beauty, mist and fog I found.*

*A fascinating scenery, what a view  
With moss , flowers and sparkling dew  
The climate here is really quite chilly,  
That's what I expect from a place so hilly !*

*A jog in the morning keeps a relaxed mind,  
Total peace and comfort here you can find.  
Hot warm coffee and tea shops along the road,  
Sip it down your throat -what a heavenly load!*

*I've never been to a place like this, never ever before,  
Freshness and pureness just outside my door.  
I experienced all this through my evening walk ,  
About a place like Mussoorie I can talk and talk and talk.*

Nangai

V A





## BOOKS

*When I started reading a book  
I didn't realise the time I took  
In minutes I finished it  
I read it without missing a tiny bit  
My mother was so surprised  
She gave me a funny look*

Aparna

V A

## THIN FLYNN

*There was a young fellow named Flynn  
Who was remarkably thin  
When he carried a pole  
People said "bless my soul!"  
What a shock to find out you've a twin."*

Anagha.S

V A

# Limericks!

## THE MAN

*There was a man  
Whose name was San  
He went to the shop  
To buy a mop  
But came back with a fan.*

Keerthi

V C

## ROY, MANDY AND CANDY

*There was a boy  
His name is Roy  
His dog is Mandy  
They loved candy  
After eating a candy they were full of joy.*

Keerthi

V C

## IF I WERE A DROP IN THE OCEAN.....

If I were a drop in the ocean, I would enjoy day and night with my fellow droplets and then all of a sudden I would start floating in the air. After this from water I'd become gas and team up with others. Once in a while a bolt of lightning would come from us and then we would become water again and fall to rivers then my companions and I would flow back to the seas and oceans. I'd always have different friends. This would prove that we have to live life alone.

Aparna

V A



## TOKYO SKY TREE

*High among the tall buildings  
Stood the marvelous 'Sky tree'  
A beautiful broadcasting tower  
Situated in the 'Land of the Rising Sun'*

*Thousands of people crowd together  
To get a glimpse of the 'Sky Tree'  
A very beautiful tower  
The beauty of which none can forget!*

Sreesha.S

V D

*A green planet is a clean planet!*

## THE MANGO FESTIVAL—KARJAN PARK, MYSORE

The mango festival is a festival that goes on for two or three days. In this festival farmers who grow mangoes (varieties of them) are allowed to sell their own mangoes at their price. They also sell jack fruits. Let me tell you some types of mangoes - Alphonso, Badami, Totapuri, etc. And one more thing, the jackfruits are so tasty, I was flabbergasted. When we tried a piece of mango it tasted fabulous. There were so many stalls, almost fifty or sixty of them. After we took a round in the stalls we sat on a bench in front of a plant called night queen. This flower is really beautiful. We sat there and ate some jackfruit. What a nice day it was to remember!



Suhani

V B

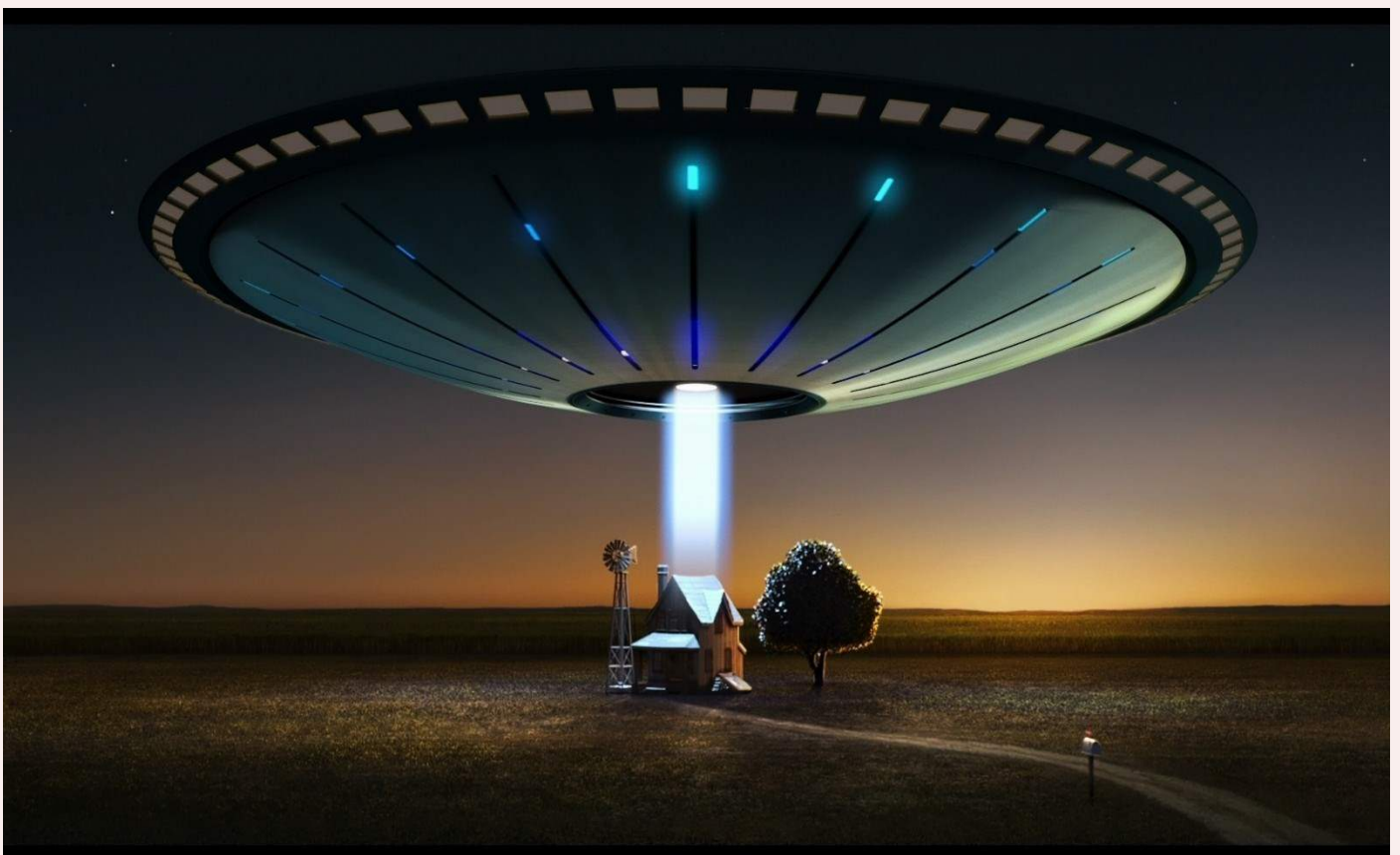
## THE MYSTERIOUS VISIT

One night everybody in the house was sleeping soundly, except me. There was absolute silence everywhere. Suddenly the neighbour's dog started barking very loudly. As I peeped out of the window, in the distant sky, I saw something very strange. I thought it was an aeroplane, but as it came closer, I realized it was a UFO. It was almost flat like a plate with lights coming out of everywhere. I wondered if I should call my parents. I raced up the stairs and found them fast asleep even though the neighbour's dog was barking loudly. I shook them but they didn't even stir. I quickly ran to the window and peeped out. It was coming closer but there was something else too. There was a beam of bright light coming from the lower part of the UFO. It looked as if it was touching the ground. I could not see it properly so I ran out of my house. But when I reached my garden and looked up there was no trace of the UFO. It was as if it had simply vanished into thin air. I returned to my room with a confused mind.

In the morning when I told my parents and my brother about what had happened, they laughed and told me I must have been dreaming, as there was no such thing as a UFO. I got very angry. My cat was standing there and looking at me as if she was mocking me. I got irritated and drove her into the garden. As I followed her out, I saw her scratching at something on the ground. On looking closer, I found out it was a silver ring with my name on it. Suddenly it flashed across my mind that it could be the thing the UFO threw on the ground. I did not bother to show it to my parents but kept it a secret hoping that the UFO would come again. But even now I am surprised why my parents didn't even budge when I called them so much. Maybe they were in deep sleep. Or maybe it was because of the supernatural powers of the UFO. I never got the answer. I guess it will stay a mystery forever.

**Mariam Anna Jaise**

V C





## MY TRIP TO CAPE COMORIN

This summer I went to Cape Comorin, the southernmost tip of India, where the Arabian Sea, Bay of Bengal and Indian Ocean meet. We reached at sunset;



it was a beautiful scene. We spent the night at the hotel 'SEE VIEW'. We had a good sleep and woke up just in time for the sunrise. Later we joined the ferry queue to visit the Vivekananda Rock and Thiruvalluvar statue. Swami Vivekananda meditated on this rock on December 24th, 25th and 26th in 1892. The Thiruvalluvar statue is 133ft high and each foot represents one chapter of the Thiruvukkural. Then we went to the Mahatma Gandhi Memorial built in 1956. In 1948 the ashes of Mahatma

Gandhi were immersed in Cape Comorin. The mandapam is designed in such a way that on his birthday, i.e. on Oct 2, sunrays enter through the hole on the roof where the urn which contains Gandhiji's ashes is kept. On our way back we visited the Kumari Arneman temple which is 3000 years old. The nose ring of the Goddess is made of ruby. Due to its brightness, sailors mistook it as a lighthouse and the ships crashed into the rocks. This is the reason why the eastern side is always closed. I enjoyed my trip to Kanyakumari. You should visit it too.

Anumita.P  
V A

## पर्यावरण

"सूरज की गर्मी से तपते हुए तन को मिले तरुवर की छाया" सोचकर ही कितना आनंद और सुकून सा मिलता है। लेकिन यह तब संभव है जब जगह-जगह हरे-भरे वृक्ष लगे होंगे, उन्हें लगाने वाला कोई तो हो।

लगभग २० वर्ष पहले तक हमारे घर के कमरों में आकर एक छोटी सी चिड़िया फुदकती थी। आज वह हमें शहर से लगभग १५-२० किलोमीटर दूर ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में जाने पर दिखाई देती है। कुछ कॉलोनियों में रंगीन तरह की चिड़ियाँ और पक्षी दिखते हैं। हमारे घर के आस-पास क्यों नहीं? क्योंकि घर के पास या शहरों में कितने कम पेड़ हैं। पर कॉलोनियों में ज़्यादा पेड़ होते हैं! इसलिए वहाँ रंगीन चिड़ियाँ देखने को मिलती हैं।



आज सड़कें ओर ओवरब्रिज बन रहे हैं। यह ज़रूरी है पर हमें कम से कम खाली स्थान पर पेड़ अवश्य लगाने चाहिए। पूरे साल बारिश कम होती है। यह पर्यावरण से जुड़ी है इसलिए पर्यावरण अत्यंत उपयोगी है। तो क्यों न हम इसकी रक्षा करें और ग्लोबल वार्मिंग के दुष्प्रभावों से बचें? एक पेड़ लगाना बहुत होता है। एक या अनेक पेड़ लगाए और उसकी देखभाल करें। बहुत खुशी मिलेगी। 'हर साल पेड़ उगाओ! पर्यावरण बचाओ!' इससे प्रकृति भी खुश होगी।

जाहनवी  
V C

## प्यारे पेड़

प्यारे पेड़ हमारे  
क्यों करते हम उन्हें तंग ?  
प्यारे हैं हमारे वह  
जो आते हैं हमारे काम  
देते हैं हमें प्यार वह  
फल, छाया और फूल  
क्यों करते हैं हम उन्हें तंग ?  
प्रदूषण कम करते हैं ये  
बारिश लाते हैं ये  
समय पर  
फ़सल उगती हैं  
घने-घने वृक्ष लहराते हैं  
देते हैं ऑक्सीजन हमें  
आओ दोस्तों मेरे संग  
जीने का एक और मौका  
ना गुमा दें हम  
आओ उगाते हैं पेड़  
खुशी और हरियाली से जीएँगे हम  
प्यारे पेड़ हमारे  
क्यों करते हम उन्हें तंग?

कीर्ती

V 'C'

## विश्व पर्यावरण दिवस

पाँच जून को विश्व पर्यावरण दिवस के उपलक्ष्य में दुनिया भर में कई कार्यक्रमों का आयोजन किया जाता है और उन सब का मक़सद एक ही है, "पृथ्वी बचाओ"।

इस दिन दुनिया के लगभग सभी देशों में स्कूल, कालेज, विश्वविद्यालय के स्तर पर तमाम कार्यक्रमों का आयोजन किया जाता है ताकि आने वाली पीढ़ी पर्यावरण की रक्षा का महत्व समझ सके।

विश्व पर्यावरण दिवस वह दिन है, जिस दिन दुनिया में सबसे ज़्यादा वृक्षारोपण होते हैं तमाम देश ऐसे हैं, जहाँ एक दिन में लाखों पेड़ लगाए जाते हैं।

सानिध्य  
V C

## मेरी सच्ची दोस्त

मेरी सच्ची दोस्त मेरी माँ है। वह बहुत प्यारी हैं। वह हमेशा मेरे साथ खेलती हैं। माँ हमारे घर को साफ़ रखती हैं। इसके साथ वह मेरी बहन की देखभाल भी करती हैं। मेरी माँ मेरी पढ़ाई में मदद करती हैं। मुझे मेरी माँ से बहुत प्यार है।

-अनुमिता.पी

5-‘ए’



## ನನ್ನ ಗುಜರಾತ್ ಪ್ರವಾಸ

ನಾವು ಹದಿನೈದು ದಿನಗಳ ಮುಂಚಿತವಾಗಿ ಪ್ರವಾಸದ ಯೋಜನೆ ಮಾಡಿದೆವು. ಬೆಂಗಳೂರಿನ ವಿಮಾನದಲ್ಲಿ ಗುಜರಾತಿಗೆ ಹೋದೆವು. ನಾವು ಅಲ್ಲಿ ಹೋದ ನಂತರ ಹೆಚ್ಚು ಚಳಿಯ ಅನುಭವವಾಯಿತು. ಅಹಮದಾಬಾದಿನಲ್ಲಿ ನಾವು ಸಾಬರಮತಿ ಆಶ್ರಮ ಮತ್ತು ಅಕ್ಷರಧಾಮ ನೋಡಿದೆವು. ಮರುದಿನ ನನ್ನ ಚಿಕ್ಕಪ್ಪನ ಮನೆಗೆ ಹೋದೆವು. ಅಲ್ಲಿಂದ ನಾವು ಎಲ್ಲರೊಡನೆ ದ್ವಾರಕ, ನಾಗೇಶ ಮತ್ತು ಸೋಮನಾಥ ಜ್ಯೋತಿರ್ಲಿಂಗಗಳನ್ನು ನೋಡಿದೆವು. ಮುಂದೆ ನಾವು ಜುನಾಗಡದಲ್ಲಿ ಕೋಟೆ ಮತ್ತು ಪ್ರಾಣಿ ಸಂಗ್ರಹಾಲಯಗಳನ್ನು ನೋಡಿದೆವು. ಗಿರ್ ವನಕ್ಕೆ ಭೇಟಿ ನೀಡಿದೆವು. ಭುರ್ಜ್ ನಗರದಲ್ಲಿ ಕನ್ನಡಿಯ ಅರಮನೆ ಹಾಗೂ ದೇವಿ ಗುಡಿಯನ್ನು ನೋಡಿದೆವು. ಕಚ್ ಮರಭೂಮಿಯನ್ನು ನೋಡಿದೆವು. ಹೀಗಿತ್ತು ನನ್ನ ಗುಜರಾತಿನ ಪ್ರವಾಸ.



~ವಿಹಾನ್

ಜನೇ ' ಸಿ ' ವಿಭಾಗ

## ರಜೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಮರೆಯಲಾಗದ ದಿನಗಳು

ನಾನು ಮಡಿಕೇರಿಯ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಕೇಳಿದ್ದೆ, ಆದರೆ ನೋಡಿರಲಿಲ್ಲ. ಈ ಬಾರಿಯ ರಜೆಗೆ ಮಡಿಕೇರಿಗೆ ಹೋಗಿದ್ದೆ. ನಾವು ಏಪ್ರಿಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಮಡಿಕೇರಿಗೆ ಹೋದೆವು. ಮಡಿಕೇರಿ ನೋಡಲು ಸುಂದರವಾಗಿದ್ದು, ನಾವು ಅಲ್ಲಿ ಎರಡು ದಿನ ಇದ್ದೆವು. ಮೊದಲನೆಯ ದಿನ ರಾಜ ಸೀಟ್ ಮತ್ತು ಅಬ್ಬೆ ಫಾಲ್ಸ್‌ಗೆ ಹೋದೆವು. ಅಬ್ಬೆ ಫಾಲ್ಸ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ನೀರು ಇರಲಿಲ್ಲ. ಎರಡನೆ ದಿನ ತಲಕಾವೇರಿ ಮತ್ತು ಭಾಗಮಂಡಲಕ್ಕೆ ಹೋದೆವು. ತಲಕಾವೇರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕಾವೇರಿ ನದಿ ಹುಟ್ಟಿದ ಸ್ಥಳ ನೋಡಿದೆವು. ಭಾಗಮಂಡಲದಲ್ಲಿ ಮೂರು ನದಿಗಳು ಒಂದಾಗಿ ಹರಿಯುತ್ತವೆ. ಈ ರಜೆ ಒಂದು ಮರೆಯಲಾಗದ ಅನುಭವವಾಗಿದೆ.



~ಆಯುಷ್.ಎ

ಜನೇ 'ಡಿ' ವಿಭಾಗ



## ನನ್ನ ತಮ್ಮ

ನನ್ನ ತಮ್ಮ

ಬಲು ತುಂಟ

ಅವನ ನಗು

ನನಗೆ ಇಷ್ಟ

ಊಟ ತಿನ್ನಲು

ಗಲಾಟೆ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಾನೆ

ಅವನಿಗೆ ಹಾಡುವುದು

ತುಂಬಾ ಇಷ್ಟ

ಬಲು ತುಂಟ!

ಅನನ್ಯ

ಜನೇ ತರಗತಿ 'ಬಿ'ವಿಭಾಗ



## ನನ್ನ ಕುಟುಂಬ

ನನ್ನ ಕುಟುಂಬ

ಒಂದು ಸುಂದರ ಕುಟುಂಬ!

ಹಬ್ಬ ಬಂದಾಗ ನನಗೆ

ಬಲು ಖುಷಿ ಖುಷಿ!

ಆಗ ನನಗೆ ಸಿಗುವುದು

ಊಟ ರುಚಿ ರುಚಿ!

ರಜಾ ದಿನಕ್ಕೆ ಕಾಯುವೆನು ನಾ,

ಮನೆಯವರೊಂದಿಗೆ ಹೊರಗೆ ಹೋಗಲು ನಾ,

ಸುತ್ತಾಡುವೆ ನನ್ನ ಕುಟುಂಬದ ಜೊತೆ,

ಆಡುವೆನು ಸಾಕಷ್ಟು ಮಾತು ಕತೆ!

ನನ್ನ ಕುಟುಂಬ

ಒಂದು ಸುಂದರ ಕುಟುಂಬ!

ವಿಹಾನ್. ಹೆಚ್

ಜನೇ ತರಗತಿ 'ಸಿ' ವಿಭಾಗ



## MY ROLE MODEL

My role model is my brother. He is my hero. I've always wanted to be like him and as far as he is concerned, I've always been his little princess. My brother is currently twenty years old. He is in his second year medicine. I always wanted to be a doctor and as a matter of fact, I generally get the highest marks in Science. My brother has always inspired me. My brother is really good at studies. He used to be the topper in his school. I miss those days when my brother and I came back from school and fought for the TV remote, fought when he got extra pasta or when he went shopping without me. I realize now that having a sibling who stays with you is very important. The fights, well yeah....they are fun, and I miss them. My brother stays in his hostel and comes home once in two weeks. We both used to go for walks, listen to music and study together. I still remember the day when he was leaving, I was crying and he was trying to console me saying that he will come the following week! I feel bad for the things that I have said to him. He has always been a constant support and he has helped me with so many things. When in 5<sup>th</sup> grade, I had to submit my project the next day and I hadn't even started it, he stayed up all night helping me with it. I would like to conclude by saying, "Bhaiyya, I love you and you'll always be my hero."

Gauri  
VI D



## Stupendous SIXTH Graders!



## HALLOWEEN!

*Sitting next to the window,  
On a cold autumn night,  
Thinking about Halloween costumes  
That will give everyone a fright.*

*I want to become a wizard,  
Or maybe a wicked witch.  
Get disguised as Frankenstein  
On my forehead an evil stitch.*

*Become my favourite character,  
The evil monster Sandy!  
Whatever you become,  
We'll all get some candy!*

Sukruthi  
VI A



# ENERGY

*Listen carefully to what is told  
Energy is more important than gold  
For all we know  
Energy is not for show.*

*Energy is what keeps us warm,  
Helps us walk, makes us talk,  
Energy is neither created nor destroyed  
It just changes form  
Could be heat that keeps us warm.*

*Solar energy, that's the key,  
Allows life for you and me  
Solar energy holds a place  
On earth that's going on a green race.*

*A mere metal flower  
Whisking winds  
From eternal ways  
Spinning air to power.*

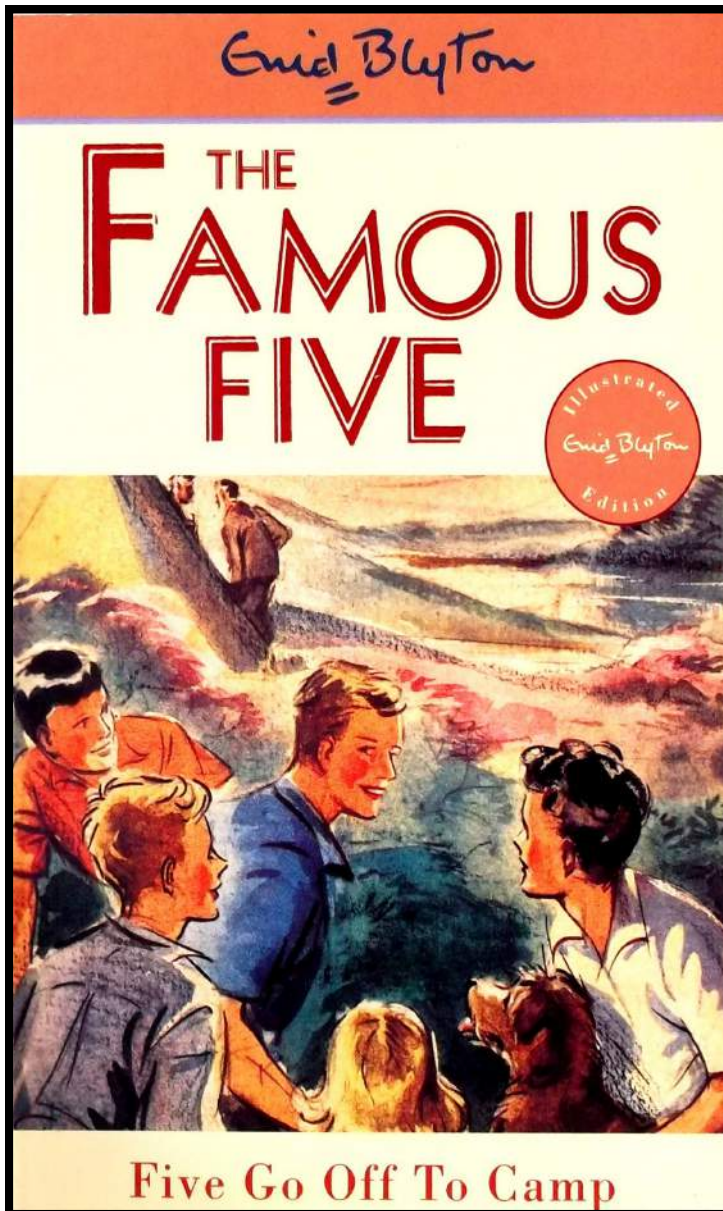
*The greatest energy source ever known,  
Hydroelectricity is name bestowed.*

*Do not throw  
Or the rubbish will grow and grow.*

*Thou has hath forsaken this  
People everywhere throwing it  
Let's all not throw  
Or the rubbish will grow and grow.*

Areeb  
VI C





## BOOK REVIEW: FAMOUS FIVE - FIVE GO OFF TO CAMP

The author of this story is Enid Blyton. She has also written the Secret Seven series. I like her books as she does not write boring stories.

In this book, there is a lot of adventure, thrill and suspense. There are five characters in the story: Dick, Anne, Julian, Georgina and Timmy, the dog. This is a kind of horror story. In this story, four children and the dog go camping alone. There, they find spooky trains which are driven by unknown drivers. They suspect their new friend, Andy who stays on a farm. But in the end they find that the trains are not spooky at all but are controlled by the farm owner with a remote.

I recommend this book for voracious readers.

Harshal  
VI A

## FIS SPORTS

Welcome back to school, my friends! After a long break it is time to play and much more importantly, to study. A sport is usually a competitive physical activity that also keeps us fit. FIS has football, basketball, skating, karate and badminton to balance with studies. Recently, FIS has won many events in the field of sports. This is because of the efforts of many people and the school sports team. The FIS football and Athletics have put in a lot of good effort this year. The school has many coaches like Nedu sir, Ajay sir and Rohit sir because of whom we have reached great heights in the field of sports. Now FIS is not only famous for its studies, but also for its sports. We also have a very good basketball team and have won many prizes. Now, many students who didn't like playing sports are now being encouraged by different teachers to play different sports. Sports help us to improve our accuracy, speed and physical abilities among other things.

J.Allen  
VI D

## SUNDAY FUN-DAY!

Sunday is my favorite day of the week as it is the only day when my parents are free. I get up very late and have a delicious breakfast and talk about the week that has gone by. We also discuss about the plans for the day. We all go out to have lunch and then watch a movie. I also spend time with my friends. I catch up with my reading. I have my dinner and go to bed. Sunday makes me feel rejuvenated and helps me to get geared up for the next week.



**Bhumika S.**

**VI B**



## EACH ONE TEACH ONE

Literacy, in simple terms, is the ability of a person to read and write. But actually literacy enables a person to apply these skills in effective communication and making proper decisions.

Research shows that people with good literacy skills are more likely to have better jobs and have a better income leading to a better lifestyle, better health and nutrition and higher self-esteem. This leads to a better society and less incidents of crime.

But unfortunately we are unable to achieve 100% literacy in our country.

There are many reasons for this:

- I. High level of poverty
- II. Mindsets of some people who think that lower castes and females should not get education
- III. Insufficient facilities
- IV. Unwillingness to learn

So I feel that we must thank God for being educated and should give back to society by educating more people.

We kids can achieve this by spreading awareness in people surrounding us, that is, by counseling our helpers and their family members about the benefits of education. And if any one of them expresses willingness to learn but is unfortunately unable to go to school for some reason, we must extend help to teach them. If each one of us takes up the responsibility of teaching at least one illiterate person, we will contribute immensely to the development of our nation.

**Vasundhara Gupta**

**VI C**

## THE DAY I WAS LOST IN THE MALL

One fine day, I was going to the mall with my family. I saw one of the most beautiful dresses I have ever seen. I was very excited, because I thought my parents would buy it for me. My father was busy buying an expensive shirt, my mother was engrossed in buying a dress for herself and my sister was sitting on a chair reading a book. I went to my father. He said, "Ummm...Sorry beta, busy buying a shirt." I went to my mom and she was busy too. I went to my sister but she was so involved in her book that she ignored me. I was very angry with everyone so I just wandered about. Suddenly I realized that I was lost. I started crying when a lady came up to me and helped me. I went to the DJ centre. They announced my name and my parents came running. I ran and hugged my father. They bought me the beautiful dress I wanted and we went home happily.

Sanghamitra  
VI A



## THE DAY I GOT STUCK IN THE ELEVATOR



It was my birthday. I went to Forum Mall. I was just five years old. I went along with my parents and did a lot of shopping. We bought lots of toys and dresses for ourselves. I also met one of my friends and started playing in the mall. My parents were busy talking to my friend's parents. My friend and I ran all around the mall. Suddenly, we saw the elevator. We decided to get into the elevator. My friend was taller than me so she jumped to press the button. The elevator opened and we entered. Usually, there is always a security guard inside the elevator, but this time there was nobody. Just as we entered, the door of the elevator closed. We were trapped inside! The elevator was not working. We shouted desperately to get out. My friend stayed strong but I started crying. My parents got worried and came near the elevator. They called the electricians and the elevator was repaired. My friend and I came out very scared. We decided we would not ever play with the elevator again.

Sanjana S  
VI A





## FLOWERS

*Flowers are beautiful,  
Bright and colorful,  
Pink, purple and yellow,  
Nice to see, nice to smell  
But be careful  
If you pluck it  
You are sure to hurt it  
For its beauty  
Lies in its breath.*

Surya N  
VI A

## THE DAY IT RAINED

*The day it was raining,  
I felt like running.  
It was thundering,  
And then struck the lightning!*

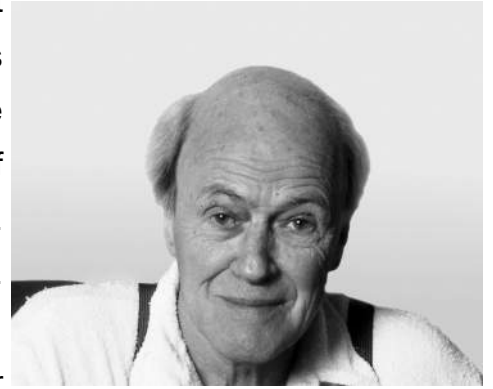
*Clouds were crashing,  
Water was splashing.  
Suddenly, the sun came out!  
I was happy and began to shout,  
With joy and happiness,  
Because I could go out.*



Disha K.N  
VI A

## THE HERO OF TODAY'S CHILDHOOD STORIES-ROALD DAHL

Roald Dahl...He is a wonder. Is there any child who doesn't know about him? I don't think so. The reason behind why he is famous is because of his inventions. Roald Dahl likes to fiddle and invent new words. Roald Dahl has his own world of phrases like chatbag, glubbage, rotsome and hipswitch. Roald Dahl's books convey a value in an indirect manner. Roald Dahl was able to achieve the title 'The world's no.1 storyteller' because of his strict routine. This particular author



was very famous for his white-coated writing hut. Roald Dahl had also been a fighter pilot at one particular time. Fighting to borrow his books was one of the reasons for time pass. Some favorite Roald Dahl's books are Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, The witches, The twits, Matilda, and many more. Finally, coming to the last and my favorite novel, 'George's Marvelous Medicine'. This book is my favorite because it has certain values which are applicable in our daily lives. This novel describes a boy's life in which he has a disgusting grandmother who certainly has a grudge on him. I read these books often and however often I read them, they are never going to bore me. These novels have made my childhood great! What about yours?

Aditi Kashyap

VI C

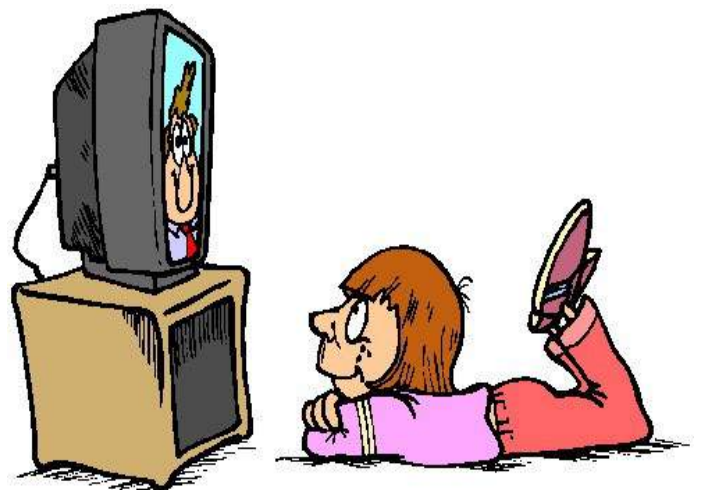
### THE TV SHOW

*One winter in the cold snow,  
I saw a girl standing at the door,  
She looked upset and then ran away  
To her best friend who lived far away.*

*When she reached there, she gave a speech,  
About how much she loved the fruit peach,  
The peach was cut down,  
And the branches were used to make a crown.*

*It was all a part of my favourite show,  
But I couldn't watch it anymore,  
As my mom switched off the TV,  
OH! POOR ME!*

Vidita Patel,  
VI A





## THE NATURE OUTSIDE

*I gaze at the vast sky above,  
Sitting on my window sill,  
Lovely hues set by the rising sun,  
Birds chirping as they flee;  
Morning rendered fresh by drops of dew  
It's so peaceful with people so few  
The stars above just about to fade away.  
Welcoming the sun for a bright day out  
Back in the evening the birds go home  
The trees swaying gently in the breeze  
Orange canvas of the sky so grand  
And the evening stars pop out of bed.  
Squirrels chasing nuts for supper tonight.  
Cows raising dust as they hurry to their  
calves.*

*Everything feels great*

*When drowned in nature's fantasy!*

**Sai Chinmayee**

**VI C**

## ABOUT MY DAD

*Dear Dad,*

*You are not at all bad,*

*This is a heart with a ray,*

*As this is the gift of Father's day!*

*You have done so much for me,*

*Now it is time to pay you back the fee!*

*You always scold,*

*So that I learn from my mistakes and become  
bold.*

*You buy everything for me,*

*By spending your hard earned and precious  
money.*

*You worryingly run,*

*When something happens to your son.*

*You are the best dad ever*

*And I want to be with you forever.*

*So this is a heart with a ray,*

*As I wish you a very, very Happy Father's Day!*

**Sanjit.B**

**VI**





## STEPHEN CURRY

Stephen Curry (born March 14, 1988) is an American professional basketball player who plays for the **Golden State Warriors of the NBA**. Listed at 6 feet 3 inch (1.91)m tall and weighing 190 lb (86) kg, Curry plays the guard position and is considered by some to be the greatest shooter in NBA history. The 2015 NBA and a two-time NBA All-star, he is the son of former NBA player Dell Curry.

Curry played college basketball for Davidson. There he was twice named Southern Conference Player of the year and set the all-time scoring records for both Davidson and Southern Conference. During his sophomore year, Curry also set the single season NCAA record for three pointers made. This makes him the world's best shooter and it has inspired me to become like him. He is my inspiration. One day, I would also like to be known as the best shooter.



Rohit.N

VI C

# Basketball !

## JORDAN - THE LEGEND

Michael Jeffery Jordan was born on February 17<sup>th</sup> 1973. He is a former professional basketball player. He is also an entrepreneur and Chairman of the Charlotte Hornets, a basketball team. Jordan played 15 seasons in the NBA for Chicago Bulls and Washington Wizards. The NBA states: "By acclamation, Michael Jordan is the greatest basketball player of all time". He popularized the NBA around the world in the 1980s and 1990s. His accomplishments include 5 MVP awards, 10 all-NBA first-team designations, 9 all defense first team honors, 14 NBA all-star game appearances, 3 all-star game MVP awards, 10 scoring titles, 6 NBA finals MVP awards and the 1988 defensive player of the year award. He also won 72 seasons from 1995-

1996 NBA seasons, setting a world record. He was also a two-time inductee into the basketball hall of fame. He also earned the titles "His Airness" and "Air Jordan". He is my inspiration, my idol. He is..... The Legend.....



Sahil Ragibai

VI

## FRIENDSHIP

*Friendship is nice,  
It makes us wise.  
Friendship is helpful,  
It makes us cheerful.  
Friends are flowers,  
Who make us stars.  
Friends do fight,  
But make us bright.  
Friends may commit a sin,  
But they make us win.  
East or West,  
Friends are the best.*

Rohit.N

VI B

## NATURE

*Save nature,  
For our future.  
Lakes, ponds and rivers,  
Hope they'll stay beautiful forever.  
Don't cut a tree,  
It gives us oxygen for free.  
The quacking geese,  
And the beautiful trees,  
What if they're gone forever?  
Or if they suddenly disappear?  
Oh God! Give us a brain!  
Hope all your efforts are not in vain.  
To fulfill our needs  
We cut down all their weeds.  
Save nature,  
For our future.*

Bhoomika H.M

VI B

## THE MAHATMA GANDHI MOVIES

Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi casts a long shadow. He is the Mahatma, the Father of the Nation. He played a monumental role in India's freedom struggle. Gandhiji is unforgettable but we do tend to forget the principles he advocated. While books and speeches tell us about these ideals, movies make us relive it. The movies are:

**Gandhi:** 'Gandhi' is the story from Gandhi's tragic assassination in 1948 and flashes back to when he was thrown off the train in 1893. 'Gandhi' gained worldwide academy awards. The film earned a place in the Guinness book of World Record for using over 3, 00, 000 extras to shoot Gandhiji's funeral.

**The making of the Mahatma:** 'the making of the Mahatma' is the story which tells us about the 21 years Gandhiji spent in Africa. This movie has earned 2 national awards and a place in the must-watch list.

**Gandhi, my father:** 'Gandhi, my father' gives us a glimpse of the people behind Mahatma. The movie has bagged 3 national awards among many others.

**Lage Raho Munnabhai:** 'Lage Raho Munnabhai' doesn't deal with Gandhiji's life, instead it breathes a new life into his ideas. The movie won 4 national awards and is the 1<sup>st</sup> Hindi movie to be screened in the UN.

Arpita. N

VI C

## टैंकरों पर निर्भर जीवन

जल हमारे जीवन के लिए अत्यंत आवश्यक है। मेरे घर के पास अत्यंत सम्पन्न बहुमंजिली इमारतों में, मैं अक्सर पानी के टैंकरों को देखती हूँ। यह टैंकर इन इमारतों में पानी की आपूर्ति करते हैं। मैं सोचती हूँ कि यह क्या विडंबना है, कि आदमी के पास सब सुविधा सम्पन्न घर तो है परंतु इस घर में अत्यावश्यक प्राकृतिक पानी नहीं है। अतः जीवन पूर्ण रूप से इन टैंकरों के पानी पर निर्भर है।

पहले सप्ताह बादल ज़ोर से गड़गड़ा उठे और ज़ोर से बारिश आई। मैंने सोचा कि अब शायद इन बहुमंजिली इमारतों में टैंकरों के पानी की ज़रूरत नहीं पड़ेगी। परंतु मैंने जब अपने घर की खिड़की से बाहर झाँका तो मुझे पता चला कि मैं गलत थी।



मैंने अपने पिताजी से इसका कारण पूछा। पिताजी ने बताया कि इस शहर में बारिश का पानी ऐसे ही नालियों में बह जाता है। अगर हम इस बारिश के पानी का संचय कर पाते तो भूमि जलस्तर में सुधार आता। हम यह कर पाते जिससे इन बहुमंजिली इमारतों का जीवन इन टैंकरों पर पूर्ण रूप से निर्भर न होता।

सैवी जैन

VI A

### ಗುಲಾಬಿ ಹೂವು

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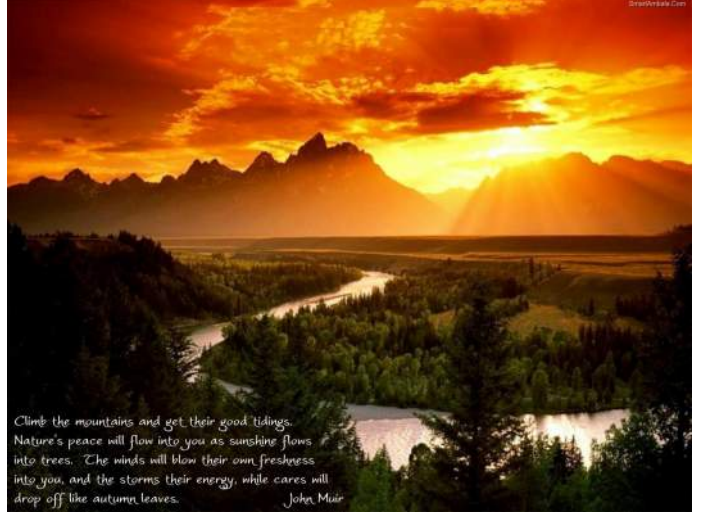


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Climb the mountains and get their good tidings.  
Nature's peace will flow into you as sunshine flows  
into trees. The winds will blow their own freshness  
into you, and the storms their energy, while cares will  
drop off like autumn leaves. John Muir

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ದ್ವಿತಿ ಸಿ.

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## ಕನ್ನಡ ತರಗತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ನಾನು

ನನ್ನ ಮಾತೃಭಾಷೆ ಕನ್ನಡ. ನನಗೆ ಅದರ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಬಹಳ ಹೆಮ್ಮೆ. ನಾನು ಕನ್ನಡ ತರಗತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಗಮನದಿಂದ ಹಲವಾರು ವಿಷಯಗಳನ್ನು ಕಲಿಯುತ್ತೇನೆ. ನನ್ನ ಕನ್ನಡ ಉಪಾಧ್ಯಾಯರು ತುಂಬಾ ಆಸಕ್ತಿಯಿಂದ ಕನ್ನಡ ಭಾಷೆಯನ್ನು ಕಲಿಸುತ್ತಾರೆ. ನಾನು ಕನ್ನಡ ತರಗತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾಠ, ಪಠ್ಯ, ವ್ಯಾಕರಣ, ಮತ್ತಿತರ ವಿಷಯಗಳನ್ನು ಅತ್ಯಂತ ಆಸಕ್ತಿಯಿಂದ ಕಲಿಯುತ್ತೇನೆ. ಕನ್ನಡದ ಲಿಪಿ, ಲೇಖಕರು, ಮಹಾನ್ ಕವಿಗಳು, ಇತಿಹಾಸಕಾರರು, ಊರುಗಳು, ನದಿಗಳು, ನಿಸರ್ಗ, ಕೃಷಿ ಹೀಗೆ ಹಲವಾರು ಪ್ರಕಾರಗಳನ್ನು ನಮ್ಮ ಗೆಳೆಯರೊಂದಿಗೆ, ಉಪಾಧ್ಯಾಯರ ನೆರವಿನಿಂದ ಕಲಿಯುತ್ತೇನೆ. ನಮ್ಮ ಮನೆಯೂ ಒಂದು ಕನ್ನಡ ತರಗತಿ ಆಗಿದೆ!

ನಾವು ಮನೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾತನಾಡುವುದೂ ಕನ್ನಡ. ನನ್ನ ತಂದೆ-ತಾಯಿ ಮತ್ತು ಅಣ್ಣ ಸಹ ಕನ್ನಡ ಚೆನ್ನಾಗಿ ಕಲಿಸಿಕೊಡುತ್ತಾರೆ.

ರೇವತಿ ಶ್ರೀ.

೬ನೇ ತರಗತಿ ಬಿ. ವಿಭಾಗ



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## ನನ್ನ ಮನೆಯ ಗೊಂಬೆ ಹಬ್ಬ

ನನ್ನ ಮನೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನಾವು ಗೊಂಬೆ ಹಬ್ಬವನ್ನು ಬಹಳ ವೈಭವದಿಂದ ಆಚರಿಸುತ್ತೇವೆ. ನಾನು ವರ್ಷವಿಡೀ ಈ ಹಬ್ಬ ಬರಲು ಕಾಯುತ್ತೇನೆ. ನಮ್ಮ ಮನೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಐನೂರಕ್ಕಿಂತ ಹೆಚ್ಚು ಗೊಂಬೆಗಳನ್ನು ಸಂಗ್ರಹ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದೇವೆ. ಪ್ರತಿ ವರ್ಷ ನಾವು ಹೊಸ ಗೊಂಬೆಗಳನ್ನು ಖರೀದಿಸುತ್ತೇವೆ. ನಾವು ನಮ್ಮ ಮನೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಎಂಟು ವರ್ಷಗಳಿಂದ ಈ ಹಬ್ಬವನ್ನು ವೈಭವದಿಂದ ಆಚರಿಸುತ್ತೇವೆ. ಪ್ರತಿ ವರ್ಷ ನಾವು ಒಂದು ನಿರ್ದಿಷ್ಟ ವಿಷಯವನ್ನು ಕುರಿತು ಗೊಂಬೆಗಳ ಪ್ರದರ್ಶನ ಮಾಡಲು ಪ್ರಯತ್ನಿಸುತ್ತೇವೆ. ಕಳೆದ ವರ್ಷ ನಾವು ರಾಮಾಯಣದ ಮತ್ತು ಅದರ ಹಿಂದಿನ ವರ್ಷ ಕೃಷ್ಣಲೀಲೆಗಳನ್ನು ಪ್ರದರ್ಶಿಸಿದ್ದೇವೆ. ನಮ್ಮ ಮನೆಯ ಹಬ್ಬ ದೂರದರ್ಶನ ಮತ್ತು ದಿನಪತ್ರಿಕೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಬಂದಿದೆ. ನಾವು ಮೆಟ್ರೋ ರೈಲು ಮತ್ತು ವಿಮಾನ ನಿಲ್ದಾಣದ ಮಾದರಿಗಳನ್ನು ಮಾಡಿದ್ದೇವೆ.

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## ಊಟ

ಊಟ ನಮಗೆ ತುಂಬಾ ಮುಖ್ಯ. ಊಟ ಇಲ್ಲದೆ ನಾವು ಬದುಕುವುದಿಲ್ಲ. ನಾವು ಒಂದು ದಿನಕ್ಕೆ ಮೂರು ಬಾರಿ ಊಟ ಮಾಡುತ್ತೇವೆ. ತುಂಬಾ ಜನರು ನಮ್ಮ ದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿ ಊಟ ಇಲ್ಲದೆ ಬಳಲುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ನಾವು ಅಂಥವರಿಗೆ ಊಟ ಕೊಟ್ಟು ಅವರನ್ನು ಉಳಿಸಬೇಕು. ಊಟ ಇಲ್ಲದೆ ಎಷ್ಟೋ ಜನರು ಸಾಯುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ನಾವು ಬಡವರಿಗೆ ಉದ್ಯೋಗ ನೀಡಬೇಕು. ಆಗ ಬಡವರಿಗೂ

ಊಟ ಸಿಕ್ಕಿ ಸಂತೋಷವಾಗುತ್ತದೆ.

ದಿಶಾ ವಿ.ಎನ್

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## ನನ್ನ ಊರು

ನನ್ನ ಊರಿನ ಹೆಸರು ಕಡಬ, ಇದೊಂದು ಸುಂದರ ಊರು. ಗುಬ್ಬಿ ತಾಲೂಕಿನ ತುಮಕೂರು ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯಲ್ಲಿದೆ. ಬೆಂಗಳೂರಿನಿಂದ ಸುಮಾರು ನೂರಹದಿನೈದು ಕಿ. ಮೀ. ದೂರದಲ್ಲಿದೆ. ಅದೊಂದು ಪುಟ್ಟ ಪಟ್ಟಣ. ಅಲ್ಲಿಯ ಜನರೆಲ್ಲಾ ಹೆಚ್ಚಾಗಿ ಕೃಷಿ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಅಲ್ಲಿ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ತರದ ಅಂಗಡಿಗಳು ಸರ್ಕಾರಿ ಆಸ್ಪತ್ರೆ, ಅಂಚೆ ಕಛೇರಿ, ಆರಕ್ಷಕ ತಾಣ ಗ್ರಾಮ ಪಂಚಾಯತಿ ಎಲ್ಲ ಇವೆ.

ಇಲ್ಲಿಯ ಮಕ್ಕಳೆಲ್ಲಾ ಸರ್ಕಾರಿ ಶಾಲೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕನ್ನಡದಲ್ಲೇ ಓದುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ.

ಇಲ್ಲಿ ನನ್ನ ಅಜ್ಜ - ಅಜ್ಜಿ ಮನೆ ಇದೆ. ರಜೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನಾವು ಇಲ್ಲಿಗೆ ಹೋಗುತ್ತೇವೆ. ಹೊಲ-ತೋಟಕ್ಕೆ ಹೋಗುವುದೆಂದರೆ ಮುಷಿ. ಇಲ್ಲಿ ದೊಡ್ಡ ಕೆರೆ ಇದೆ. ದೇವಾಲಯಗಳಿವೆ. ನನ್ನ ಊರು ನನಗೆ ತುಂಬಾ ಇಷ್ಟ.

ರೇವತಿ ಶ್ರೀ

ಓನೇ ತರಗತಿ 'ಬಿ' ವಿಭಾಗ



## FINGERS

*Fingers are great,  
They are first rate.  
They seem to have their own brain,  
Look how well they are trained.*

*How well they co-operate,  
They complete tasks at a great pace.  
Be it playing the piano or solving the  
Rubik's Cube,  
They always know what to do.*

*These tiny yet vital parts of our body,  
Seem to hold the key to almost  
everything.  
Such as typing, picking, holding, pulling,  
Even this verse that I have been writing.*

*Fingers are one thing that can't be  
replaced,  
They are gifts to us, blessed with god's  
grace.  
They are in a league of their own,  
Fingers seem to have a brain of their  
own.*

**Advaith Prakash  
VII A**

## Suave SEVENTH Graders!



## HANDS

A few days before my final exam, I happened to fracture my right hand. Everybody takes their hands for granted - and no one ever realizes how important they are. When I fractured my right hand it was like my whole world had turned upside down. I couldn't do anything for myself. I couldn't even put my socks on, or tie my shoelaces without help.

At first I enjoyed all the attention, but as time progressed it just became horrible and harder. The question then arose - How would I write my exam? The answer was that I couldn't. I discovered I had to have a scribe to write for me. A scribe is a person who writes for someone. So I had to dictate everything to my scribe.

I had a new scribe for each exam. Don't get me wrong, this wasn't easy. I had to spell out practically each word which was "supposedly" hard to spell. Moreover, I had to explain how to write the steps, draw the diagram and write the programs. As if this wasn't hard enough, I had to dictate other languages that I wasn't fluent in. In the end I got used to it. It was a unique, eye-opening experience, and I plan not to land up in the same situation again.

**Lavanya Reddy  
VII B**



## HOW MUSIC MAKES ME FEEL

Music is something I never miss out on. Everyday, I make sure to indulge in listening to at least one song. But different genres of music take me to different worlds. My favourite genres of music are pop, house and EDM[Electronic Dance Music].

When I lose myself in such tracks, I am transferred to a world of happiness and joy.

But genres like rap, hip hop and R&B make me angry. It fills me with hatred and I have no explanation for this.

In the end, music is music, whatever be the sense, the world I get teleported to, is honestly just remarkable.

**Krishnapriya J**  
VII B



## GOALS

A goal is something which makes you achieve many things. People achieve their goals in different ways. Some achieve their goals by helping others or by studying well and making their parents proud, some even by becoming experts in their occupation. You can even prove yourself when you achieve a goal. A goal is very important in your life as it makes you achieve a lot in your life. It is not necessary for the goal to be professional like an athlete's or a CEO's of a great company. Instead who you have to be is an individual who desires success be it in your career, within your family or perhaps with your personal finances. It is a reliable method for identifying what you want to achieve be it in your personal life or your professional life.

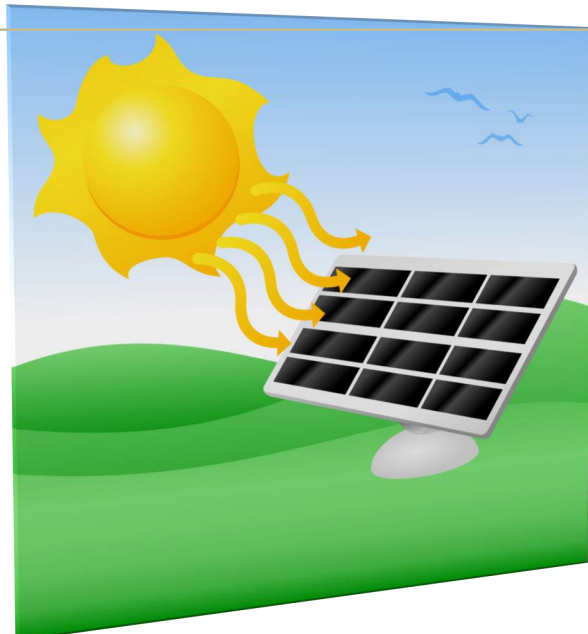
**Drithi. C**

VII A

## ENERGY SOURCES OF THE FUTURE

Solar energy is the way to go  
with abundant power on the flow.  
With the sun present throughout the year  
there is no fear that power will disappear.  
With countries stopping the fuel fight  
The earth will be peaceful and bright.  
Buy some solar panels today  
and keep the earth spinning all the way.

**Manasi.M**  
VII B



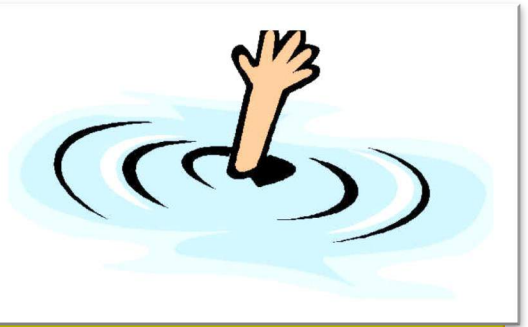


## A TRUE INCIDENT

It was the summer vacation and my mother had gone to spend her summer holidays in Odisha. She was 4 years old. Everyone was busy in their work. Taking advantage of the fact, she started following the maid who had left the house after work. My mother went out of the house following the maid but headed towards a lake on the other side. She tried to wash a cloth in her hand as she always used to look at people wash clothes out there. She sat down there to wash clothes, but unfortunately the ground was slippery and she slipped and fell into the water.

The worst part was that she didn't know how to swim. The maid heard the water splash so she ran towards the lake to check what had happened. My mom was shouting for help and after some time, just her hand was visible above the water. The maid saw her and yelled for help. My grand mom came running out of the house. When she saw my mother drowning, she jumped into the lake and tried to pull my mom out of there. My mom had already fainted but my grand mom started pressing my mom's stomach to push out all the water swallowed by her. If the maid had not yelled for help and my grand mom had not saved my mother, I certainly would not have been able to share this incident with you!

Shermeen Urfat  
VII A



## ANGER MANAGEMENT

Ok, you just had a bitter argument with your friends and are going home, hungry and angry. When you reach home, your mom makes your most hated food. You can do two things-

Keep calm and eat what your mom made.

Or

Lose your temper and shout at your mom.

Most of you will probably choose the second option. You know your mom has worked hard the whole day and she has made you some food with love. But at that point of time you forget all that and shout at her. But after some time, after refreshment, you regret what you did. This is called tantrum encouragement. Ambrose Bierce once said "Speak when you are angry and you will make the best speech you will ever regret." When you're angry compare yourself with a one year kid. She/he knows the answer. Away from the cruel world's greed, selfishness and sorrow. So control your anger by doing some things you love, listening to music, playing anything. Control your anger and live a happy, joyful and colourful life.

Gayathri Sathish

VII B



## FOR HEAVEN'S SAKE

*For all chocolate lovers out there,  
Try this recipe, if you dare.  
Out of excitement, I baked this "cake"  
Later I said, "Don't try to bake, for Heaven 's sake!"*

*With a sinful scoop of cacao,  
And a cup of not-so-tasty wheat,  
Fragrant Vanilla you'd smell in the Bazaars of  
Morocco  
Prepare butter and line the tin with a baking sheet.*

*And while that tin of 'glop' bakes,  
You should look for better recipes, no fakes.  
Because I baked a cake last night,  
To cut it, none was useful, not a fork, or a knife.*

*I should've used a sword,  
Yet the cake wouldn't break (all that would break  
was the cutting board)  
And all that you'd get is a rotten, burnt cake,  
Don't try this recipe, for heaven's sake.*

Thushara P  
VII B



## FRIENDS ARE SPECIAL!

A collection of special thoughts  
Expressing the significance of friendship with  
loved ones, people who are looked up to and  
make a mark in our lives. These special  
thoughts depict the true meaning of friendship.  
So just enjoy a happy and wonderful  
friendship, a bond that you share.

Krutika  
VII B

## JUST FOR LAUGHS!!

Teacher: I wish you would pay a little attention.  
Student: I am paying as little as I can!

What did one math book say to the other?  
Don't bother me, I have my own problems.

What is the best thing you can put into a delicious cake?  
Your teeth.



Compiled by Mustafa, VII B

## FOOTBALL

I love playing football because it is an awesome sport. I always go striking. I desperately wait for the sports period every Friday. As soon as the bell rings, we all form a line and go to the basement. After reaching the basement a group of 12-14 people choose to play football. Then we divide ourselves into teams. I actually like their choice because football is a really interesting game and to be honest, once you start playing it you will never find yourself saying, "I don't want to play football."

Jagrut

VII B



## FIRST OVERNIGHT TRIP



I went on my first overnight trip to Jaipur, Jodhpur and Jaisalmer. I arrived at school, ready to go to the Airport. It was a long journey due to heavy traffic. We had to wait for our plane because it was delayed by an hour. I played music in my friend's mp3 player. In the flight we sat in our respective seats and flew to Jaipur. Once we reached Jaipur, we waited for our buses. Our journey to Jaisalmer was a 16 hour trip!!! And I could not sleep as the temperature was 10°C. We reached the Jaisalmer camp at 10:00 am. We had a wonderful time playing and going for camel rides in the evening. We saw fantastic places like the fort of Jodhpur. The Jantar Mantar in Jaipur was outstanding.

Yashas.S  
VII B





## HARRY POTTER

Harry Potter is one of those books that you just can't stop reading once you have started. Your eyes get glued to the book once you start it. If you read it you will be so engrossed in it that you will feel like you're a part of the story. The story is about a boy named Harry Potter who is actually a wizard. His parents were killed by a Dark Wizard called Lord Voldemort but when he tried to kill Harry, the curse rebounded and hit Voldemort instead.

That is how he gets his famous lightning scar. He was brought up by his uncle and aunt who ill-treated him. When he finds out he has magical blood in him, he is sent to the Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry where young witches and wizards go when they reach 11. There, he meets two people - Ron Weasley and Hermione Granger, who become his best friends and accompany him on the rest of his thrilling adventures. These adventures in which they try to stop Voldemort coming to power, forms the rest of the story.

**Neha Sumesh**  
VII A

## IF I WERE A BOY FOR ONE DAY!



If I were a boy for one day, I would firstly get the same hairstyle as Louis Hamilton. I have always envied him his amazing hairstyle. If school allowed me, I would even streak my hair hazelnut brown. I would never have to comb my hair in the morning and maintaining it would be a cakewalk. The other thing is that I would not have to help my mother any more because I would mess the kitchen even more. My great grandmother wouldn't tell me how to sit, eat and behave. My family wouldn't say that I have a very bad dress sense. A simple extra large sized T-Shirt and a comfortable pair of jeans is what I would wear for every occasion. Mother would not take me to one of her long boring shopping sessions in which she gets an hour to choose 1 outfit and I get 45 minutes to choose six outfits. I would

cycle all day long with my friends and no one would have any issues. Nobody would find it odd if I talk about Formula 1 racing as well.

**Shivaneer Ravi**  
VII A

## THE RESOURCES FOR THE FUTURE



Destroying nature, is man, the greedy creature  
Poor mother earth is all in suture  
Fertilizers, pesticides, fossil fuels we use  
Leaving them as the only resource for the future.

Trees plants and forest covers  
Sun, moon, stars and showers  
It is a gift from God for us  
Then to preserve it why all this fuss  
Let the future too see these blooming flowers.

**Sri Dhriti**  
VII B

## MAN AND ENERGY

*Without water in his home,  
Man would be dry as bone.  
And the same without electricity,  
His life would be very tricky.*

*So he turns to the sun,  
And realizes solar farming is great fun.  
So in endless rows he sets up panels,  
And now he has the power to change TV channels.*

*But now the sun is gone  
And the darkness fails to help grow the corn.  
But quite windy it is, so he makes a windmill  
And powers his fridge with it, so he can truly chill.*

*Now the wind is slowing  
The sea is calm and growing  
He strikes gold and buys a turbine  
His Mobile and AC are powered now, everything is fine.*

*He buys a car that runs on coffee  
Soon he will be able to build a factory of toffee  
Now with bio-fuel he runs his car  
And with it he goes very far!*

*A windmill makes power and so does a turbine,  
With that much, his life will be just fine.  
If we look a little here, look a little there,  
We can find Renewable Energy everywhere.*

Anirudh Rowjee  
VII B



## MY SUMMER READING EXPERIENCE



### The Miraculous Creek

It's summer. No school, No studies. I look forward to visiting my grandma's place; so peaceful, so calm. The place is so green. All I can see are the fragrant flowers, the trees and the insects. But the main feature is the little stream that flows, feeding the paddy.

My brother and I rise early, drink our piping hot milk and rush toward the stream. And when our grandma realizes that we forgot our towels and the mug, she rushes and hands it over. We take off our footwear and with our toes, check the temperature of the water. When we are assured that we won't get frostbite, we gleefully hop into the slow-moving stream. We walk for hours to find ourselves amid a grassy terrain. Then my Grandpa's words come to mind. "Don't go far, dears, there are deadly snakes about". So we dart back. When we reach the joint from where our flip-flops are visible, we get down into the water. We spread the tow-

el ever so gently and wait patiently for tiny fish to swim by. At times, the little savages resort to picking at our bare legs.

Finally, when we catch a fair few, we put them into the mug. That's when guilt takes over. So we unload the mug lightly and head back home, where we are received with warm, welcoming treats.

Krishapriya J  
VII B

## SUCCESS

Success is a very mysterious word. According to the dictionary it means accomplishment of a goal or purpose. But have you ever wondered what the actual purpose of life is? Is it a good job, or good money? Is it good looks or fame? No one knows. Have you ever thought about this - after you die, where will success lead you? Heaven or Hell? It actually depends on the person's point of view or thoughts.

For most people the word success means three things - Money, Power and Fame. But what happens if you try so hard to achieve these things that you lose your real self?

What if even after achieving these things, nothing can give you happiness?

Success is not when a person finds someone with whom they can be happy, but when the person who they find happiness with is also happy with them. SO live your life happily and do not forget to make others happy too.



Ananya M  
VII B



## THE DAY I FOUND TREASURE IN MY GARDEN

One day I was digging in my garden to plant a new plant. To my surprise, I found a treasure chest filled with exquisite jewellery, an endless number of gold coins and about twenty fist-sized nuggets of gold! At first I thought that I would use all the treasure for my own luxuries but then I realized that there are people in the world who need the money much more than I do. I immediately went and distributed the gold among the people. Even after this there was a lot of money left. I thought and thought for a long time and did not get any idea. Finally, one day as I was sitting in my room I thought of opening a school for the poor which would not take any fee. I



thought about it for sometime and realized it was not an easy task. In order to make this dream of mine come true I had to take the help of the elders. I discussed this matter with my parents and they said it was a good idea but would be hard to carry out. I pleaded with my parents and they agreed to help me. We started the school with only three students till we finally had 1300 of them! "Wake up! Wake up! You're getting late for school!" called my mother. Then I realized it was all a dream!

Isha Akolkar

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## THE GHOST AND THE BOY



Once upon a time there was a village with many people living. Just behind the village was a deep and thick forest. In the forest, there was a big haunted tree where a ghost used to hover at midnight. The villagers were tired of his shouting. The people went to that tree and shouted "Who are you? Why are you troubling us?" The ghost replied saying, "I am very hungry, I want one person every day, to fill my stomach". So the people got very scared. With them was a brilliant boy. His curiosity increased and he told his

parents and villagers that he would be the ghost's first meal for the day. The people were very scared to send the boy and they didn't want to lose such a brave child. Then he ran away to the ghost. The ghost was waiting for his meal, when suddenly he was shocked to see a little boy running towards him. They both introduced themselves and the ghost was astounded to see the boy's politeness, bravery and smartness. They both decided to be friends and the ghost turned out to be good after all.

Soundarya.R

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## Model United Nations (MUN)

I had heard about the Model United Nations when I was 10 years old and since then I have wished I could be a part of this grand event. I cannot thank my school enough for giving me this opportunity. It was an unforgettable experience and I would like the other students to also have this opportunity.

On the first day, I did not get to speak much but I learnt the most on this day. I was nervous, excited, even a little scared. Around me was a crowd brimming with excitement. The newcomers were going through their prepared material while the experienced candidates were laughing, talking with friends old and new. I was surprised by their casual, cool and calm attitude. Once the session started, we met our chairperson and began the session and finished standard roll call procedure. Then one by one each delegate presented his or her country's case on the topic. Hardly 2 or 3 delegates had spoken when someone raised a moderated caucus. A moderated caucus is a formal debate in which delegates talk all about their country's stance on a topic related to the main topic. There were a lot of moderated caucuses that day. Then we raised an unmoderated caucus in which the formal session is broken and delegates can freely discuss issues. On the first unmoderated caucus, we discussed a list of future moderated caucuses. By the second one, we had finalized the list. It was seemingly endless! After going home I prepared my stance on a few of the topics and braced myself for an exhilarating next day.



The second day was far more exciting. I had learnt that the DiPSmun was not as formal as we had expected but nevertheless I decided to stay formal. Seeing this on the first day, I decided I had to put some strong points to counter the others. There was also a difference in the seating arrangement and now I was in the front. I was recognized a lot more and put some good points in the moderated caucuses. Then the press head burst into the room with a crisis. The delegates of ECOSOC (Economic and Social Council) which included me, had to solve it. It was fun and I raised good and unique points. We then had a directive to draw up a resolution solving the crisis. We could only complete it the next day. To end the day, we had a press conference. The press head came and asked various questions. She was so skilled, she managed to make U.S.A admit that they were spying on their men! I answered most of the questions asked but not all. The good does come with bad! On the third day, we had only unmoderated caucuses. We had to finish our resolution on the crisis. I was not a sponsor but if the resolution was passed, it would show how successful the committee was. Unfortunately, it was not passed as it lacked the consent and vote of a sponsor. We were sad and angry with the delegate; but we had to write the main resolution. It was unreasonable and I did not vote for it but it was passed anyway. At the end of the day, we had something called the 'Right to entertain' which was new to me. It was uncivilized and unnecessary. I disliked it but everyone has their likes and dislikes.

Despite all of this, I enjoyed the event a lot. It was a learning experience. They were the best three days I have had for a long time. This was something that increased my public speaking skills, confidence and teamwork. I saw the world through the eyes of another country. And that is the best part!



Jayanth

## जब दुनिया शुरू हुई थी

हरियाली ही हरियाली छाई हुई थी,  
जब यह दुनिया शुरू हुई थी।

जीव-जंतु यहाँ-वहाँ विचरते,  
पुष्पों की सुगंध का मज़ा लेते।

तब वे थे नंबर वन,  
बस गया था उनके मन में वह सुंदर वन।

फिर आई मनुष्यों की बारी,  
और दिखाई उन्होंने अपनी कलाकारी।

बीता समय मद्धम -मद्धम,  
और मनुष्यों ने मचाया ऊधम-ऊधम।

काटा जंगल काटा वन  
मनुष्य ने दिखाया अपना फन।

न देखा दाएँ न देखा बाएँ  
बस अपने कदम को बढ़ाएँ।

जब था जानवरों का राज  
तो न किए थे वे ऐसा काज।

जब आई मनुष्यों की बारी  
तब मची चारों तरफ़ त्राही-त्राही।

सोचो, क्या हम मनुष्य नहीं कर सकते ऐसा काम  
जिसे देख सब करें हमारा सम्मान ।



## ಸುಂದರ ಪರಿಸರ

ಪರಿಸರ ಎಷ್ಟು ಸುಂದರ

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ಮಾಡಿದರೆ ಪರಿಸರ ಮಾಲಿನ್ಯ

ಆಗುವುದು ತೊಂದರೆಗೆ ಆಹ್ವಾನ

ಪರಿಸರ ನಾಶ! ಮನುಷ್ಯರ ನಾಶ!

~ಖುಷಿ

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-इप्षिता राज

कक्षा VII' A'



ನಾನು ಒಂದು ಮರವಾಗಿದ್ದರೆ.....

ನನಗೆ ದೊಡ್ಡ ಸುಂದರವಾದ ಶಾಖೆಗಳು ಇರುತ್ತವೆ. ಸುವಾಸನೆಯ ಹೂವು ಮತ್ತು ಎಲೆಗಳು ಬರುವುವು. ಪರಿಸರದ ಮಾಲಿನ್ಯ ತಡೆಗಟ್ಟುವುದು ಹೇಗೆ? ಎಂಬ ಸವಾಲಿಗೆ ಎತ್ತರವಾಗಿ ನಿಂತ ನಾನು ಪರಿಸರದ ಮುಖ್ಯ ಭಾಗ. ನಾನು ಇಂಗಾಲದ ಡೈ ಆಕ್ಸೈಡ್ ಉಸಿರಾಡಲು ಉಪಯೋಗಿಸಿ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಮಾನವರಿಗೆ ಉಸಿರಾಡಲು ಆಮ್ಲಜನಕ ಕೊಡುತ್ತೇನೆ. ನಾನು ಕಾಡು ಪ್ರಾಣಿಗಳು ಮತ್ತು ಪಕ್ಷಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಆಶ್ರಯ ನೀಡುತ್ತೇನೆ. ಪ್ರಾಣಿ ಮತ್ತು ಪಕ್ಷಿಗಳು ನನ್ನ ರೆಂಬೆಗಳ ಮೇಲೆ ಕುಳಿತು ಅವರ ಜೀವನವನ್ನು ನಡೆಸುವರು. ನನ್ನ ನೆರಳಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಮಕ್ಕಳು ಆಡುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಚಿಕ್ಕ ಮಕ್ಕಳು ನನ್ನ ಕೆಳಗೆ ಕುಳಿತು ಆನಂದವಾಗಿ ಮಾತನಾಡುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಕೆಲವೊಮ್ಮೆ ಜೋರಾದ ಗಾಳಿ ನನ್ನ ರೆಂಬೆಗಳನ್ನು ಮುರಿಯುತ್ತದೆ. ನಾನು ತುಂಬಾ ಶಕ್ತಿಶಾಲಿ. ಏನೇ ಕಷ್ಟ ಬಂದರೂ ನಾನು ಅದನ್ನು ಎದುರಿಸಿ ನಿಲ್ಲುತ್ತೇನೆ. ನಾನು ಪ್ರಯಾಣಿಕರಿಗೆ ಹೆಗ್ಗುರುತಾಗಿ ನಿಲ್ಲುತ್ತೇನೆ. ಜನರು ನನ್ನನ್ನು ಕತ್ತರಿಸಿ ಕಾಗದ ಮಾಡಲು ಬಳಕೆ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಾರೆ ಹಾಗೂ ಜನರು ನನ್ನನ್ನು ಮನೆಯಲ್ಲಿರುವ ಗೃಹೋಪಯೋಗಿ ವಸ್ತುಗಳನ್ನು ಮಾಡಲು ಉಪಯೋಗಿಸುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಈ ಕಾಡಿನಲ್ಲಿ ನನಗೆ ತುಂಬಾ ಸ್ನೇಹಿತರು ಇದ್ದಾರೆ. ನನ್ನ ಎಲೆಗಳು ಪ್ರತಿ ವರ್ಷ ಸುಂದರವಾದ ಬಣ್ಣದಿಂದ ಕೂಡಿರುತ್ತವೆ. ನಾನು ಒಂದು ಮಾವಿನ ಮರ. ಪ್ರತಿ ಬೇಸಿಗೆಗೆ ರುಚಿ ರುಚಿಯಾದ ಮಾವಿನ ಹಣ್ಣುಗಳನ್ನು ಜನರಿಗೆ ಕೊಡುತ್ತೇನೆ. ಜನರು ಮಾವಿನ ಹಣ್ಣು ತಿನ್ನುವುದನ್ನು ನೋಡಿ ನನಗೆ ಖುಷಿಯಾಗುತ್ತದೆ. ನಾನು ಮನುಷ್ಯರಿಗೆ ಜೀವನಾಧಾರ. ಇತ್ತೀಚಿನ ದಿನಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಜನರು ನಮ್ಮನ್ನು ಅಧಿಕವಾಗಿ ಉಪಯೋಗಿಸುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಅದಕ್ಕೆ ನಮ್ಮ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ ದಿನೇ ದಿನೇ ಕಡಿಮೆ ಆಗುತ್ತಿದೆ. ನಮ್ಮನ್ನು ಉಳಿಸಿ, ನಮ್ಮನ್ನು ಬೆಳೆಸಿ.

ನಮಿತಾ ರೆಡ್ಡಿ, ೭ನೇ ತರಗತಿ ಬಿ. ವಿಭಾಗ

## A DREAM

*What , if I may ask is a dream  
One may say it's simply  
A scene we see , while asleep  
No meaning, just a dream.*

*A dream to many is much more  
It is a hope, a future that keeps  
them moving through everything  
sore  
It is a love, a dream runs deep*

*A dream is magical it motivates  
people  
Inspiration, it comes from dreams  
felt  
In our hearts it sounds childish but  
still  
In our souls we are but kids  
Living the life we are dealt.*

*But a dream  
Lifts our hopes  
Lets us make mistakes  
But still pushes us on  
It's a wish  
To see it through  
We could move mountains  
Just to see the blue.*

*A dream is a life  
A weapon against all strife  
A dream may be  
Just a dream  
But it is never  
Just a dream.*

Aishwarya

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## Efficient EIGHTH-NINTH Graders!



## BEING OF A KIND

*My father told me,  
We need to dream,  
Not about today,  
But for the coming days.*

*They will tear you, squeeze you, and tease you,  
But you should not be a coward and runaway.  
There is always a day where they can achieve,  
Breathe, and live but for the coming days.*

*Aim for your success  
Your dream and your hard work,  
One day you will be brave hearted,  
Until then strive for you.*

*One day you will be top of the world,  
And everyone will talk about you,  
Not being of a kind,  
But being you!!!*

Preetham.H  
VIII B

*Dare to  
dream, dare  
to fly, dare to  
be the ever  
chosen one to  
touch the  
sky.*





## 'MOVIES' - NONSENSE, BUT WE STILL LOVE THEM !!

Movies are a wonderful pastime. I am sure that everyone will agree with me. I mean come on! Just imagine what life would be without movies! How would we survive? Just think of all the things we have learned by watching movies - Here are just a few:

How would we ever know that it is compulsory to turn your steering wheel from time to time even when we are driving on a perfectly straight road?

From martial art movies, we learn that whenever we are being attacked by a gang of enemies, they always wait patiently, so that they can be attacked one by one, in turn!

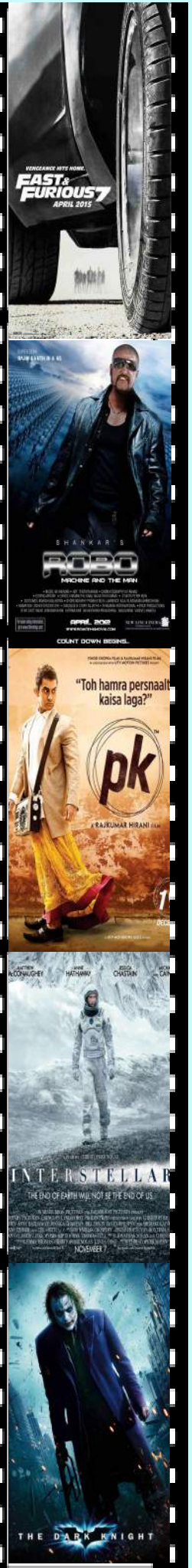
Suppose you are in a wonderful mood and feel like dancing in the rain, you won't have to worry about making a fool out of yourself because everyone on the street will coincidentally know the dance steps and hear the song in your heart/head and the best part is that they won't even hesitate about dancing along. Anyone who has absolutely no experience in flying an airplane will be able to land a hijacked plane as long as he is in contact with control tower. As long as you are the hero/heroine involved in a wild car chase, you can crash into any obstacle that comes your way, but you don't have to worry about the huge bill you'll have to pay the mechanic to repair your car because .....Guess what? You can't find a single scratch!

All bombs are huge black boxes with a big red timer so you'll always know exactly when it is going to explode, thereby you'll be able to jump out through the window of a building just in time and of course you will escape from all major injuries during your fall.

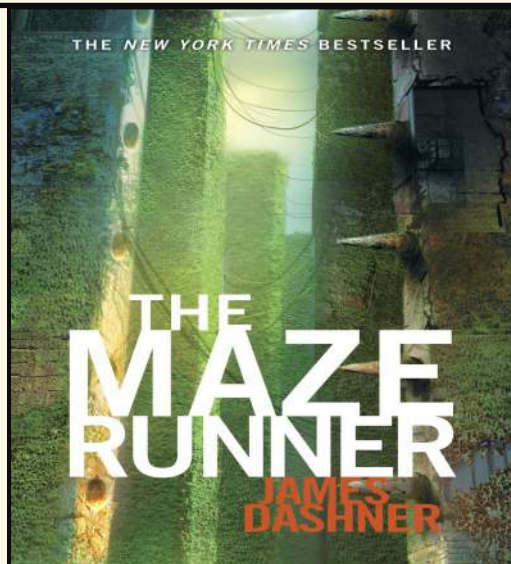
For those of you who have trouble with relationships, you must have forgotten that the secret to a long lasting relationship is commonly revealed in Hindi movies. For it to last, you just have to take your loved one to a very scenic area and dance around a couple of trees, but you mustn't forget to bring your wardrobe with you, because you have to change your clothes every 30 seconds!!

You can wear short clothes and dance around in the snow without the fear of frost bite because the huge camera lights are sufficient to keep you warm.

Charithra Hegde  
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## BOOK REVIEW- THE MAZE RUNNER

How does life in a maze trying to find a way out, with friends sound? Fun? Well, I'll leave it to you...

For Thomas, when he came out of the 'Box', he did not have so much as a clue as to where he was. He was in the Maze, a place filled with self-shutting walls/ doorways, Grievers and also a bunch of teenagers who also landed up there. Thomas' life takes a turn as he is thrown into a scenario of desperation where he has to fight against all odds to get out of the Maze.

The people in the Maze are each assigned to play certain roles. Thomas, a Runner has to face the feared Grievers on the very second night in the Maze. Then, there is the girl

who pops out from the Box in a comatose state barely a few days after Thomas' arrival. This plunges the people in the Maze into a state of confusion, betrayal and ill-feelings. They have to fight against the Creators of the Maze, and against themselves. They realize that the Maze was not true but another thought crops up.....Who would want to do such a ghastly thing as throwing kids into a maze and testing their survival skills??

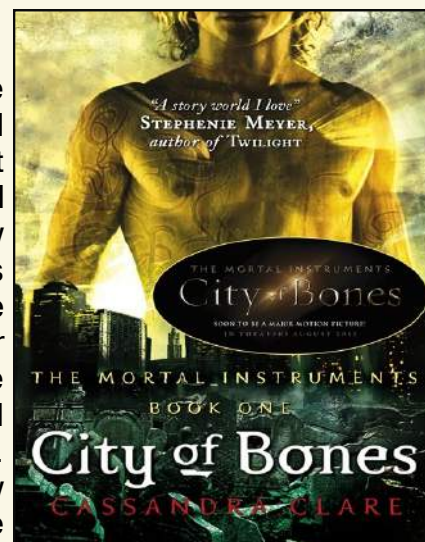
This book by James Dashner is the first part of The Maze Runner trilogy. It kept me hooked until the very last page. It is a must read for all those who love action packed adventures and suspense.

Gayatri B  
VIII A

## THE MORTAL INSTRUMENTS - CITY OF BONES

In horror movies, we often see people talking to ghosts or people others can't see. What if this actually happened? What if, in real life, you were talking to a person, but to the people around you it seemed like you were talking to yourself. When fifteen-year old Clarrisa (Clary) Fray heads out to the Pandemonium Club, New York City just to have a night of fun, she hardly expects to witness a murder -a cold-blooded one. A murder committed by three teenagers with strange tattoos and bizarre weapons. Much to her surprise, the body vanishes into thin air. It is impossible to call the police when the murderers are invisible to the rest of the crowd and not even a spot of color remains as proof that a boy had died. Or was it a boy? This is Clary's first encounter with the Shadow hunters. The shadow hunters are warriors dedicated to rid the earth of demons. Within 24 hours, Clary is pulled into their world when her mother goes missing and she herself is attacked by a demon. But the question is, why would demons be interested in ordinary mundane humans like Clary and her mother? Why is Clary able to see the shadow hunters, when the others can't ! The shadow hunters would like to know...

This is a thrilling and gripping book which takes its readers on a ride that they will never want to end. This is a beautiful book which is written by Judith Remult mostly known by her pseudonym - Cassandra Clare. I simply loved this book. It kept me hooked till the end and is a must read for everyone.

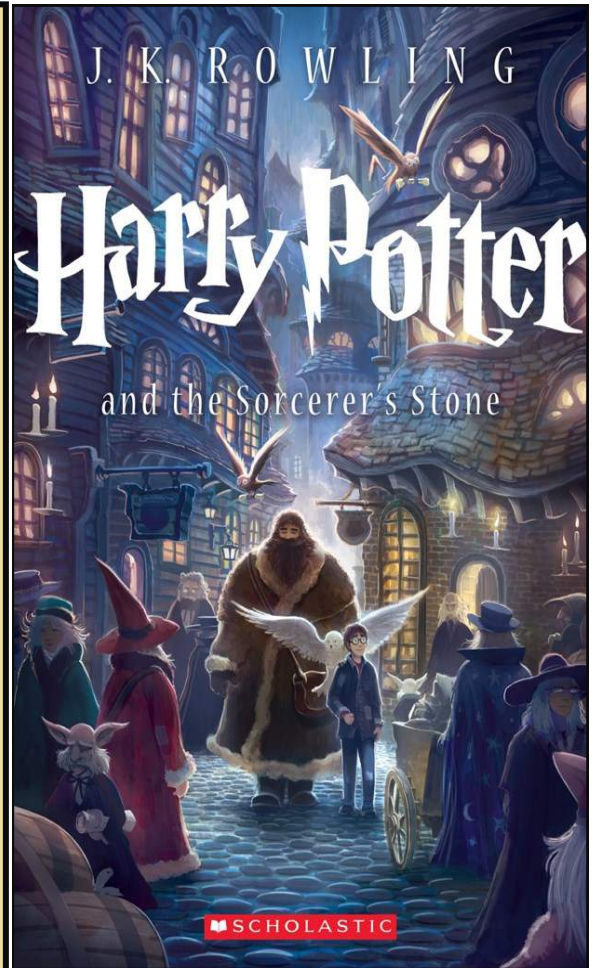


Sowmya Nair  
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## HARRY POTTER AND THE PHILOSOPHER'S STONE

In the beginning of her amazing series, J K Rowling takes readers on an enthralling ride through her magical world. Harry Potter, a normal skinny boy of age 11, leads a normal but horrible life at his uncle, Vernon Dursley's house until his whole world changes. He finds himself receiving letters from owls and getting his first birthday cake from an abnormally large man who tells him that he has been admitted to Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry. His life takes a turn as he takes a train to a castle where he is taught to brew potions, make objects fly and transfigure needles. He reaches the end of an entertaining year with his best friends Ron Weasley and Hermione Granger, after which he comes face to face with arch-enemy Voldemort. I would say that this is a must read book for people of all ages, as J K Rowling uses wit, humour and action to make every page more exciting than the previous one. Her language is simple and her story is perfect and completely mind blowing.

Harry Patel  
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## BOOK REVIEW: LORD OF THE RINGS

*One ring to rule them all, one ring to find them,  
One ring to bring them all, and in the darkness bind them.*

Frodo Baggins is enjoying his uncle's 111<sup>th</sup> birthday, just like everyone else before the fate of the entire middle earth is thrust upon him. J.R.R Tolkein's epic novel, the Lord of the Rings revolves around one magic ring which is given to Frodo to destroy, to ensure that it doesn't land into the wrong hands. He is accompanied by a wizard, three hobbits, two men, a dwarf and an elf to go all across middle earth from his home in the shire to Mount Doom, a volcano in Mordor, to destroy the ring and protect it from the enemy Sauron, who requires

the ring to rise to power and rule over middle earth. J.R.R Tolkein describes the hobbit's journey in this amazing book set way back in the 1400s. He, in fact, creates a new language, Elvish, which he uses in the book. His imagination has shaped a brand new world with queer creatures for readers all around the world. Each of his innumerable characters plays a part in making the story what it is. This is a perfectly crafted book and no one can possibly have any complaint against it. Though the language is slightly old, it fits in perfectly with the fine setting. Each word paints a beautiful picture in the reader's mind. This amazing book will stay in your mind for all eternity.



Harry Patel  
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## ADVENTURE

Adventure can be called by different names by different people. Hiking, trekking, skiing, cycling, paragliding are just some of the wonderful sports that can be undertaken on a unique adventure. Deep down, every person desires to go on an adventure, be it alone or with loved ones.

I would love to go on an adventure by myself. The place I long to go for fun and hopefully educational adventure would be hiking and camping in the Amazon. The sound of beautiful birds chirping and luscious green trees swaying grandly with the constant breeze of the world would fill my heart with joy. Canoeing on the lake would also be a great experience. Camping in a warm tent at night with the buzz of crickets would be once in a lifetime experience. The perfect time for me to go on this trip would ideally be during the summer vacations. A flight would be the only journey during which I won't be walking. The rest of it would be hiking through the world famous Amazon. I would be the happiest boy on the whole planet if I could undertake this journey in the future.

However this will be just one of the adventures I will take in my life. This is because the most beautiful adventure I will undertake in my entire life, is life itself.

Rithik.K  
VIII B





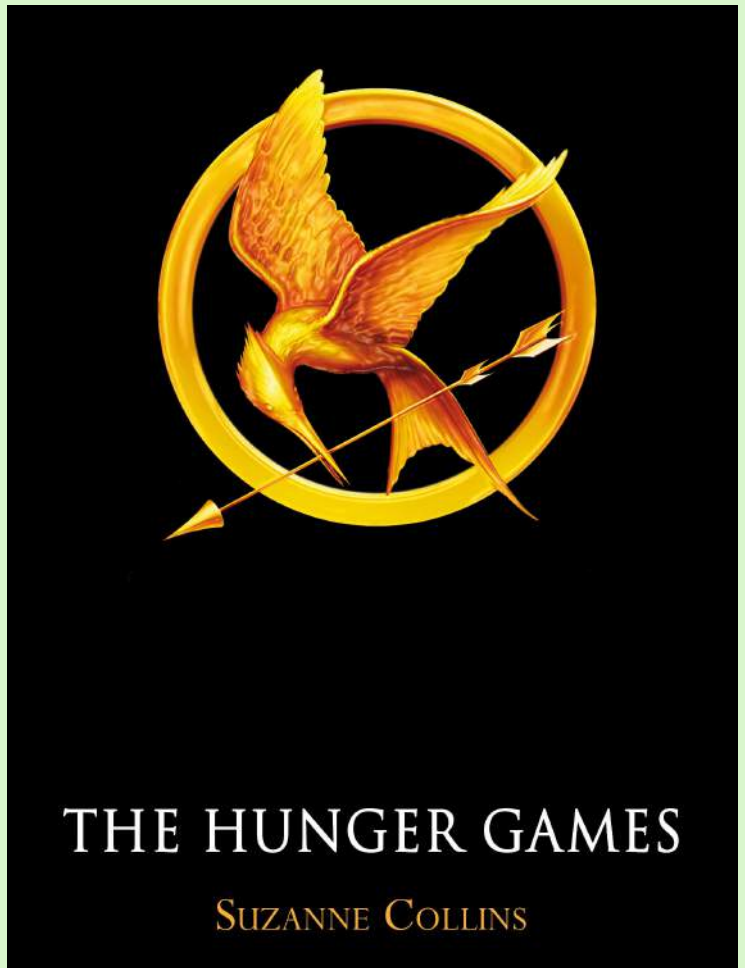
## HUNGER GAMES - A FIGHT TO THE DEATH

"The Hunger Games" isn't a book, but portable magic. It's like a puzzle you get addicted to till you solve it. You wouldn't just turn the page, but make furious action jumps off every page. It leaves you that engrossed. The story revolves around a 17 year old teen - Katniss Everdeen. Anything and everything felt by the protagonist of the game will be felt by you. The plot of the story is set in the future that has a country named "Panem" which has 12 poor districts under the oppressive governance of the dominant capitol.

Every year, two teens - a boy and a girl are reaped from their respective districts to compete against each other in a nationally televised event - The Hunger Games. It's

not just a competition but a brutal fight to death until one lone victor remains and emerges triumphant by killing the 23 others. This fight takes place in an enigmatic place - The Arena. Every time a tribute/participant gets killed, it is music to the ears of the remaining tributes.

During the reaping, Katniss Everdeen volunteers for her beloved sister. This act of hers, turns her life upside down. She has to weigh survival against love. All the enmity, hatred, disgust arises between the teens, not because they hate each other, but because the games will scar them for a lifetime. Enemies will turn allies. All the struggle, toil, tears, war just for the games. Survival is above all. What if Katniss does win these games? Will life come back to normal for her? Or will she become the only hope for her people? Things will never get better for her. Every action of hers will influence her family. She has to make choices she has never made before. Action, suspense, adventure, thrill all packed in one book. If you have not read this series, you are missing out on some awesome stuff!



Manjari Kumar

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## MOTHER

"MOM"- such a lovely word. A symbol of love and care. No one can take the place of a mother. A child smiles when he or she sees his or her mother. Mother always brings a smile on the face of the child. Mother is just like another God on earth. God cannot take care of each and every child. So he gave us a wonderful person – mother.

A mother's arms are always open for her children, no matter how big they are. If we ask people around us who they love the best in their life the answer will be 'my mother'. A mother is a bundle of joy happiness and lots of love.

We fight with our mother, shout at them, hurt them, but a mother can never bear to see the eyes of her child moisten.

Mother is a teacher, a guardian and most of all a best friend for her child. My mother is the most important person in my life. She is just multitalented and best of all, and extraordinary. My mom is like a security blanket. She listens to me no matter what the scenario is, she makes me feel better and she does this all with a smile – even when I forget to say thank you! I just want to say 'SORRY' for whenever I've hurt you and a big big 'THANK YOU' for everything you've done for me whatever the scenario.

Vibha Reddy  
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## A WONDERFUL MOTHER

*God made a wonderful mother,  
A mother who never grows old;  
He made her smile of the sun-  
shine,  
And he molded her a heart of  
gold,  
In her eyes, he placed bright  
shining stars  
God made a wonderful mother  
And he gave that dear mother  
to me!*

*Of all the special joys in life,  
the big ones and the small,  
A mother's love and tenderness  
Is the greatest gift of them all!*

*MOM, I LOVE YOU A LOT!!*

Vibha Reddy  
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I  
Love You  
Mom!



## HOMEMADE COOKIES

Summer holidays are one of the most enjoyable times of school life. So this summer, my mother and I decided to do some baking. This April, we got our new OTG (Oven Toaster Griller) which is used for baking.

First, we decided to bake healthy oats cookies. So, we prepared the dough and pre-heated the OTG for 10 minutes. The OTG has a heating oil at the base. By mistake, we placed our baking tray, which had the cookies, directly on the coil blindly. Within 2 minutes, it got burnt completely (pitch black). When we took out the baking tray, even the tray had melted a bit. Now the problem was that we had another bowl of prepared dough. Both of us thought that the temperature was high. So we reduced the temperature and kept the tray again on the coil. Subsequently, the cookies got burnt.

The next day we were worried and thought that something was wrong with the OTG. We even went to the extent of returning it. Then I told my mother that I'll check it up on the net and find out what went wrong. I found out that we were supposed to keep the baking tray in the middle rack of the OTG and not directly on the coil. So immediately, we prepared the dough again and kept the baking tray in the middle rack. Within 10 minutes, the aroma of the cookies spread throughout the house and on that day, we enjoyed our homemade whole wheat oats cookies.

Kriti.M

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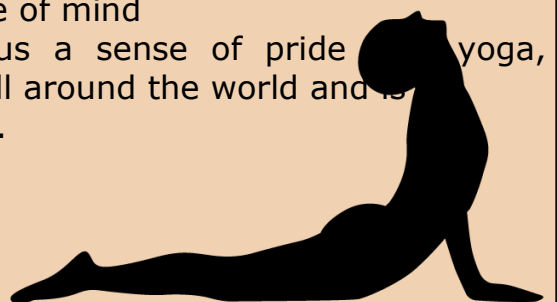


## INTERNATIONAL YOGA DAY

International Yoga Day is celebrated on 21st June, every year. The day is observed as International Yoga Day since the year 2014 when our Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi requested the United Nations Organisation to observe 21<sup>st</sup> June as International Yoga Day. In today's busy world there is a huge change in lifestyles. People rely more on unhealthy junk food. Young adults are more prone to cardiac arrest and many such health disorders. Yoga that originated in ancient India was practised by many great sages that helped them stay mentally and physically fit. Yoga can be practised by people of all ages. Practising yoga will help us to stay fit both physically and mentally. It also gives us peace of mind and helps us to lead a healthy life. It gives us a sense of pride in yoga, which had initially originated in India is practiced all around the world and is Celebrated on 21st June as International Yoga Day.

Srinidhi .V

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# STRESS!

Stress in general can be defined as our body's response to anything that we perceive as dangerous, demanding or demoralizing.

In today's world, stress is something that is faced by most of the people. Children feel stressed out due to excess homework or projects while adults may feel stressed out after long hours of work. All this is happening due to constant pressure from people that surround us.

Competition in today's world is something that may lead to stress. To prove oneself one may get tensed and do much more than what is required by one. A student who is applying for a good college needs to write a series of tests for which he may have to study for long hours. But just to make sure he is better than his friends, he may also add some more hours to his already stressed schedule.

Constant upgradation too causes stress. As is often said - to leave the old and move on with the new is acceptable but to leave the newer and move on with the newest is completely unacceptable. For example, a new iPhone being released just a month after you have purchased the Samsung Note 4. In the modern world people may actually ditch their new Samsung for the newest iPhone. Money or the want for money makes the person greedy such that he or she will start overdoing it. This can be seen in any company where people can do anything in return for a hefty salary.

Although there are a lot of ways to get easily stressed, de-stressing too can be done by simple ways. One can learn a form of art, music, dance or a sport. Research has shown that meditation too can help out. Simple things like spending some time with family or friends or even a good nap can help one overcome this stress. In short, stress, something that is faced by all, has brought down many but is conquered only by few.

**Shaswat**

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## SUPERNATURAL FRIENDS

Aliens. I've never believed in them. Till last week. So here's how it goes...

I quietly shut the door. It was a quiet moonlit night. My friends and I usually go out for midnight walks. We would explore parts of the area nearby. We were not allowed to go visit the so called haunted house. And we never got caught, since our parents can sleep through hurricanes but today, I was on my own. My friends were at a party and were apparently too tired to come.

I decided to take a quick walk to the large field at the outskirts of the town where rumours of crop circles had begun. I turned around a corner. Not a soul was in sight. As I approached the field, I saw a faint light hovering above it. I slowly entered the field, wondering for the first time if aliens actually existed and saw a disc lowering down to the ground, (just like the movies). Through an opening in the UFO, one eyed creatures with antennae stepped out.

Okay, I'll admit, if I had ever thought about aliens, I never imagined they'd look so weird. I stood staring at something I have never believed in, when it slowly started approaching me. Shaking hands was scary, and I was petrified when it grabbed at my wrist and pulled me towards the UFO. I screamed for help and struggled as the alien caught my hand firmly and lifted me into the air. I fell down with a thud. I realized I was dreaming, but as I brought my hands closer to my eyes, I could see red marks on my wrist, like someone had grabbed me tight.

**SRI SAI SANJANA**  
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## आप कहाँ हैं?

विदेश ज़रूर गए हो आप,  
मगर दिल से दूर नहीं।  
तो क्यों बैठे हो चुप-चाप,  
हमें भूले तो नहीं कहीं?

हमें डर है,  
कहीं आपको कुछ हो तो नहीं गया?  
आप वहाँ सुरक्षित अगर है,  
तो हमें अभी क्यों नहीं बताया?

क्या सागर की ऊँची लहरों ने आपकी नाव को डुबा दिया था?  
या किसी ने धक्का मारकर नाव से आपको गिरा दिया था?

क्या किसी अकेले टापू पर आप सहायता माँग रहे हो?  
या आपकी नाव किसी कारण पहुँची ही नहीं।  
शायद आप विदेश में घर पर कपड़े टाँग रहे हो, या टहल रहे हो कहीं।

हमसे बातें ना छिपाएँ खेल-खेल में,  
ऐसे खेल हमें अच्छे नहीं लगते।  
नेहरू जी जब थे जेल में,  
तब भी अपनी बेटी को पत्र लिखते।

हम आपको यह पत्र भेज रहे हैं,  
यदि आप वहाँ है,  
तो हम आपको बतादे, हम आपको खोज रहे हैं,  
जानना चाहते हैं कि आप कहाँ है?



~अवि गुप्ता

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## आसमान-एक अनमोल जगह

नीला हमारा आसमान है,  
उसके नीचे सुंदर पानी है।  
बादल रहते हैं उसके साथ,  
हम नहीं दे पाते हैं ,उसका साथ ।

पक्षी आसमान में उँची उड़ान भरते हैं ,  
और भगवान इनका भला करते हैं।  
सूरज,चाँद और तारों का यह घर,  
लेकिन भगवान ने क्यों नहीं दिया इस आसमान को घर।

पतंग और हवाई - जहाज़ है आसमान के मित्र,  
और कुछ लोग हैं,आसमान के शत्रु ।  
धरती पर रहने वाले हर एक मनुष्य को ,आसमान  
को छूने का अरमान है,  
नीला हमारा आसमान है।

विशाल  
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## जब मेरे घर में एक चूहा आया

जब हम अपने नए घर में आए, तब खिड़कियाँ नहीं थी। रात को जब मैं अकेली सो रही थी,मुझे कुछ पता न चला। मेरे माता-पिता जाग गए क्योंकि कुछ आवाज़ आ रही थी। मेरे माता-पिता को लगा कि कोई चोर घर में घुस आया है। वे सब उठकर घर में चारों ओर उसे ढूँढ़ने लगे। लेकिन आवाज़ बंद हो गई। कुछ देर बाद शब्द फिर से आने लगे। मेरे माता-पिता को लगा कि उनको सुबह देख लेना चाहिए।

सुबह को हम जब पूरे घर में ढूँढ़ रहे थे, तो कुछ नहीं मिला। हमें लगा कि हवा की वजह से कुछ कागज़ या कुछ चीज़ें हिल रही थीं। सोमवार को जब पहले दिन हम स्कूल जाने के लिए तैयार हो रहे थे तब मेरी माँ शेलफ़ से कंघी निकालने वाली थी, उसी समय अचानक एक चूहा कूदकर बाहर आया। मैं डर गई और चिल्ला रही थी। उस चूहे ने मेरी पुस्तक और रबड़ को खा लिया। हमें पता चला कि चूहा खुली हुई खिड़की से घर में घुस आया था।



## जब मैं गुम हो गई

यह घटना ४-५ साल पहले हुई थी। मैं अपने परिवार के साथ स्टार बाज़ार गई। तब मेरे चचेरे भाई-बहन भी आए हुए थे। हम उनके लिए उन्हें साथ लेकर कुछ खरीदने गए। हम पहले ऊपरी मंज़िल पर गए। मैं वहाँ के खिलौनों को देख रही थी। १० मिनट के बाद जब मैंने पलटकर देखा तब मुझे अपने परिवार का कोई भी सदस्य दिखाई नहीं दे रहा था। मैं रौने लगी। सब नीचे चले गए और मुझे पता भी नहीं था। मेरे चारों ओर लोग मुझे कन्नड़ में पूछने लगे कि मैं क्यों रो रही हूँ। मैंने उन्हें सब कुछ बता दिया। एक आदमी ने कहा कि वो मुझे अपने परिवार से मिलवाएगा। वो मुझे नीचे ले गया। वहाँ मैंने अपनी माँ को देखा। मैं रोने लगी और मैंने उनको धन्यवाद किया और मैं अपनी माँ के पास गई। मैंने उनको गले लगाया। फिर उन्होंने पूछा कि मैं क्यों रो रही थी। मैंने उनको सब कुछ बता दिया। उन्होंने कहा कि उनको पता नहीं था कि मैं गुम हो गई थी, उन्होंने सोचा था कि मैं अपने चचेरे भाई-बहन के साथ थी। इस दिन के बाद मैं उस स्टार बाज़ार में नहीं गई।

श्राव्या,  
VIII B



## प्रकृति की सीख

धरती से सीखो  
सबका बोझ उठाना  
और गगन से सीखो  
ऊपर उठते जाना ।

सूरज की लाली से सीखो  
जग उजियारा करना  
चंदा की किरणों से सीखो  
सबकी पीड़ा हरना ।

पर्वत से सीखो  
दृढ़ निश्चयी बनना  
और नदी से सीखो  
आगे बढ़ते जाना ।

सागर की लहरों से सीखो  
सुख दुख को सह जाना  
तूफ़ानों से सीखो  
आफ़त से टकराना ।

-प्रिया, IX

## भारत की सुनो सरकार

जनता की सुनो, सरकार!  
क्यों करते हो भ्रष्टाचार?  
ऐसा ही करोगे काज,  
तो भारत की होगी हार!

जनता की सुनो, सरकार!  
मत भागो बार-बार,  
रखोगे काले पैसों का भंडार  
तो भारत की होगी हार!

जनता की सुनो, सरकार!  
मत रोको नदी की धार,  
अगर करोगे गरीबों पर वार  
तो भारत की होगी हार!

सुधर जाओ, सरकार!  
निर्माण की बनाओ तार,  
पिछड़ेपन को दे दो मार,  
मत दिलाओ भारत को हार!

-अवि गुप्ता "VIII A"



## मेरा बचपन

छीनकर खिलौनों को बाँट दिये हम गम ।  
बचपन से दूर बहुत दूर हुए हम ।

अच्छी तरह से अभी पढ़ना न आया  
कपड़ों को अपने आप बदलना न आया  
लाद दिए बस्ते हैं भारी-भरकम ।  
बचपन से दूर, बहुत दूर हुए हम ।

अंग्रेज़ी शब्दों को पढ़ना-पढ़ाना  
घर आकर दिए हुए काम निबटाना  
गृहकार्य करने में भूल गए हम ।  
बचपन से दूर बहुत दूर हुए हम ।

देकर थपकी माँ मुझे न सुलाती  
दादी अब कहानियाँ भी न सुनाती  
टी.वी, आई पैड मोबाइल के साथ अब सो  
गए हम।  
बचपन से दूर बहुत दूर हुए हम ।

-सुमेधा  
VIII B



## भ्रष्टाचार

भ्रष्टाचार संस्कृत के दो शब्दों से बना है - ' भ्रष्ट ' और ' आचार ' अर्थात् भ्रष्टाचार का अर्थ है - गिरा आचरण या चरित्र। अंग्रेज़ी के ' करप्शन ' शब्द को ही हिंदी में भ्रष्टाचार कहा जाता है तथा नई सभ्यता एवं भोगवादी मनोवृत्ति को भ्रष्टाचार की जननी माना जाता है। भ्रष्टाचार को आप कैंसर का रोग कह सकते हैं, जिस प्रकार कैंसर रोग शरीर की तंत्र प्रणाली को जकड़ कर मनुष्य को निर्जीव कर देता है, ठीक उसी प्रकार भ्रष्टाचार हमारे देश की व्यवस्था को पंगु बना रहा है। शायद ही कोई ऐसा विभाग तथा व्यक्ति बाकी बचा हो जो भ्रष्टाचार में शामिल न हो। इस भ्रष्टाचार से सराबोर व्यवस्था को सदाचार की ओर ले जाने का साहस करना आकाश से तारे तोड़ कर लाने जैसा असंभव बन गया है। भ्रष्टाचार अनेक प्रकार का होता है तथा इसके करने वाले भी अलग-अलग तरीकों से भ्रष्टाचार करते हैं। जैसे - खाने की सामग्री में मिलावट। बिहार में भ्रष्टाचार के कई मामले सामने आए हैं। इसमें लालू प्रसाद यादव का चारा घोटाला सबसे चर्चित है। हमारा कर्तव्य है कि हम अपने देश को भ्रष्टाचार से बचाते हुए देश की प्रगति में सहयोगी बनें।

शिशिका गुप्ता, कक्षा  
IX

## मेरा मन



उलझनों से घिरा अठखेलियाँ करता मेरा मन,  
ख्वाहिशों का समंदर है मेरा मन  
उम्मीदों के जहाज़ों को पनाह देता मेरा मन,  
राहें मुश्किल हैं पर तूफ़ानों का सामना करता मेरा  
मन,  
मोरों की भाँति उड़ता, अपनी धुन में मेरा मन।  
ज़िंदगी की आशा जब अंधेरे मेलों में खो जाती है,  
तब उसे उँगली पकड़कर सहारा देता मेरा मन,  
अपने नए आकाश की रचना करता मेरा मन,  
एक नई उड़ान की तलाश में मेरा मन।

~ शतांक  
VIII B

## मेरी मनाली की यात्रा

जब मैं दस साल की थी, हम मनाली गए थे। मेरे साथ मम्मी-पापा और भाई थे। हम बेंगलौर से दिल्ली गए थे और फिर वहाँ से जम्मू। जम्मू में वैष्णो देवी के मंदिर में दर्शन करके हम शिमला पहुँच गए। शिमला एक बहुत खूबसूरत जगह है और वहाँ गरमियों में भी सरदी होती है। शिमला से मनाली हम बस से गए थे। बस की यात्रा बहुत कठिन थी क्योंकि हम बस में १६ घंटे बैठे और रास्ता भी कठिन था। हम उस रात को मनाली पहुँचे। मनाली का पहला नज़ारा अत्यधिक सुंदर था। नज़ारा विस्मयकारी था। मुझे होटल के कमरे में नींद नहीं आई, इसलिए मैं बाहर का दृश्य देखती रही। सुबह साढ़े पाँच बजे तक हम सब तैयार हो गए थे-मनाली देखने के लिए। बाहर जाते ही धूप की किरणें मेरे चेहरे पर गिरीं। पहाड़ों की बर्फ़ पर किरणें गिरने से दृश्य इतना सुंदर था कि हम आश्चर्यचकित वहाँ लगभग तीस मिनट तक रुक गए। हम सब सूट पहने थे ताकि बर्फ़ से बच सकें। ड्राइवर अंकल हमें एक ऊँचे पहाड़ की चोटी तक ले गए थे जहाँ से हमें हिमालय साफ़-साफ़ दिख रहा था। हम रोहतांग के पास जानेवाले थे लेकिन एक पुलिस ऑफ़िसर ने कहा कि वहाँ बर्फ़ के गिरने की वजह से हम नहीं जा सकते। हम नीचे आ गए और हमने खाना खाया। हम मनाली से चंडीगढ़ गए थे जहाँ हमने नेकचंद के बनाए हुए प्रसिद्ध रॉक गार्डन को देखा। दो हफ़्ते बाद हम वापस आए। ये एक अनोखी यात्रा थी जिसे मैं कभी नहीं भूलूँगी।

गायत्री बी

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## वर्षा का एक दिन

अगस्त का महीना था। एक दिन बहुत गरमी पड़ रही थी। हवा का नाम भी नहीं था। पेड़ का एक पत्ता भी नहीं हिल रहा था। सभी बेहाल थे। ऐसे में अचानक आकाश में बादल गरजने लगे। पूरी तरह बदली छा गए। एक दम अंधेरा हो गया। सूरज बादलों के पीछे छुप गया था। तेज़ हवा चलने लगी। उसके बाद पानी बरसने लगा। लोग बारिश से बचने के लिए भागने लगे। उसी समय ओले भी गिरने लगे। मैं मेरी माँ से अनुमति लेकर घर से बाहर जाकर ओले को हाथ में लेकर खेलने लगी। बारिश और औलों से गीली होने के कारण मुझे बहुत ठंड लगने लगी इसलिए मैं घर वापस पहुँची। औलों की बारिश तेज़ होने लगी। इस तरह की बारिश साल में एक बार ही हुई।

~ साहित्य

VIII B

## ನಮ್ಮ ಶಾಲೆಯ ದಿನಗಳು

ನಮ್ಮ ಶಾಲೆಯ ದಿನಗಳು ಮುಗಿದಿವೆ  
ಏಕೆ ಇಷ್ಟು ಬೇಗ ಆಗೋಗಿದೆ ಅನಿಸುತ್ತೆ  
ನಾವು ಮಾಡಿರುವ ತುಂಟಾಟಗಳು ಜ್ಞಾಪಕವಿದೆ  
ಇದೆಲ್ಲ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದೇನೆ ಎಂದು ಅನಿಸುತ್ತೆ

ನಮ್ಮ ಶಾಲೆಯಲ್ಲಿದ್ದ ಸ್ನೇಹಿತರು ಎಲ್ಲಿ ಹೋಗುತ್ತಾರೋ  
ಆದರೆ ಅವರು ನನ್ನ ಮನದಲ್ಲಿ ಕೊನೆವರೆಗೂ ಇರುತ್ತಾರೆ  
ಯಾರಿಗೆ ಇಷ್ಟವಿಲ್ಲ ಶಾಲೆಯ ದಿನಗಳು  
ಮರಳಿ ಬರಲಾರವು ಆ ಸುಂದರ ದಿನಗಳು

ಗುರುಗಳು ನಮ್ಮನ್ನು ಕೆತ್ತುವ ಶಿಲ್ಪಿಗಳು  
ನಿತ್ಯ ಕೇಳುವೆವು ಅವರ ನುಡಿ ಮುತ್ತುಗಳು  
ಅವರು ಕೊಡುವ ಪ್ರೋತ್ಸಾಹ, ಸಹಕಾರ, ಮಾರ್ಗದರ್ಶನಗಳು  
ನಮ್ಮ ಭವಿಷ್ಯದ ದಾರಿದೀಪಗಳು

ನಮ್ಮ ಶಾಲೆ ಬಹಳ ಬೆಳೆದಿದೆ  
ನೋಡಿದರೆ ಎಲ್ಲ ಜ್ಞಾಪಕ ಬರುತ್ತದೆ

~ಆದಿತ್ಯ ಸುಂದರ್  
೯ನೇ ತರಗತಿ





## ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಯ ಜೀವನ

ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳ ಜೀವನ ವಿನೋದದಿಂದ ತುಂಬಿರುತ್ತದೆ,  
ತಮ್ಮ ದಿನ ಪ್ರಾರ್ಥನೆಯೊಂದಿಗೆ ಪ್ರಾರಂಭವಾಗುತ್ತದೆ,  
ಮತ್ತು ಆಟದೊಂದಿಗೆ ಕೊನೆಗೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತದೆ.

ಶಾಲೆಗೆ ಹೋಗುವಾಗ ಒಂದು ಭಾರಿ ಚೀಲವನ್ನು ಹೊರುತ್ತಾರೆ  
ಕೈಯಲ್ಲಿ ನೀರಿನ ಬಾಟಲ್,  
ತರಗತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕುಳಿತು ಪೂರ್ತಿ ದಿನ ಶ್ರಮ ಪಡುತ್ತಾರೆ.

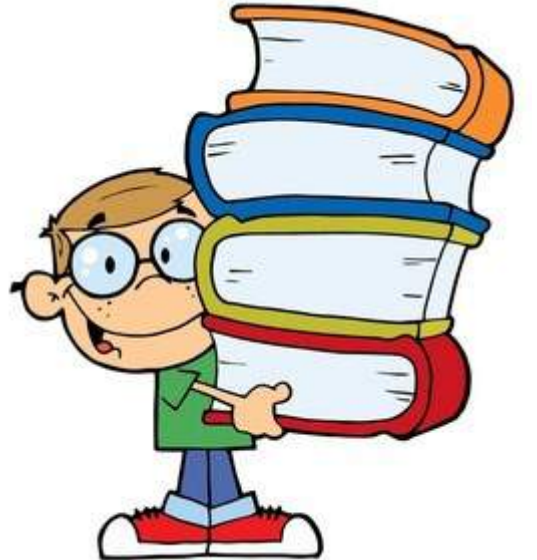
ಶಾಲೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಅನೇಕ ಸ್ನೇಹಿತರೊಡನೆ ಇರುತ್ತಾರೆ,  
ಅವರ ಜೀವನದಲ್ಲಿ ಅನೇಕ ಮೌಲ್ಯಗಳು ತಿಳಿಯುತ್ತಾರೆ,  
ಹಾಗೆ ಜೀವನದಿಂದ ಬಹಳಷ್ಟು ಕಲಿಯುತ್ತಾರೆ.

ಓದುಗಾರಿಕೆ ಅವರ ಮೆದುಳಿನ ಶಕ್ತಿ ಹೆಚ್ಚಿಸುತ್ತದೆ,  
ಕ್ರೀಡೆ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳ ಆತ್ಮವಿಶ್ವಾಸ ಹೆಚ್ಚಿಸುತ್ತದೆ,  
ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳು ಈ ಎರಡು ಕೆಲಸ ನೋವಿಲ್ಲದೆ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಾರೆ.

ಆದರೆ ಮಾರ್ಚ್ ತಿಂಗಳು ಬಂದಾಗ,  
ಪೂರ್ತಿ ದಿನ ಶ್ರದ್ಧೆಯಿಂದ ಓದುತ್ತಾರೆ,  
ಅವರ ಮೆಚ್ಚುಗೆಯ ಕೆಲಸ, ಮನರಂಜನೆ ತ್ಯಾಗ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಾರೆ.

ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಯ ಜೀವನ ಎಲ್ಲಕ್ಕಿಂತಲೂ ಉತ್ತಮ,  
ಅವರದು ಪ್ರಾರ್ಥನೆಯೊಂದಿಗೆ ದಿನ  
ಆರಂಭವಾಗುತ್ತದೆ, ಮತ್ತು  
ಆಟದಿಂದ ಕೊನೆಗೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತದೆ.

-ವಿಭಾ. ಎಸ್. ರೆಡ್ಡಿ, ೯ನೇ ತರಗತಿ.



## ಸಮುದ್ರ

ಆಹಾ! ನೋಡು ಆ ಸಮುದ್ರವನ್ನು  
ಆ ಸಮುದ್ರದ ಅಲೆಗಳ ರಭಸ  
ಅದರ ಮೃದುವಾದ ಹಾಡು  
ಹಾಡಿನ ಜೊತೆ ಆ ದೈವ ನೃತ್ಯ  
ನೋಡುತ್ತ ನೋಡುತ್ತಾ ಆ ಸಮುದ್ರದೊಳಗೆ ನಾ  
ಕಳೆದುಹೋದೆ

ಆಹಾ! ನೋಡು ಆ ಅಲೆಗಳನ್ನು  
ಅದು ನನ್ನ ಯೋಚನೆಯನ್ನು ಪ್ರತಿಫಲಿಸುತ್ತಿದೆಯೋ  
ನನ್ನ ಯೋಚನೆ, ಚಿಂತೆಗಳ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಅಲೆಗಳಿಗೆ ಹೇಗೆ ಗೊತ್ತು?  
ಅದನ್ನು ಗಮನಿಸಿ ನನ್ನ ತೊಂದರೆಗಳನ್ನೆಲ್ಲ ನಾ  
ಮರೆತು ಹೋದೆ

ಏಕೆಂದರೆ ಈ ಸಮುದ್ರದ ಮುಂದೆ ಯಾವುದೂ  
ಮುಖ್ಯವಲ್ಲ

ಆಹಾ! ಕಾಲಾತೀತವಾದ ಸಮುದ್ರವೇ!  
ನಿನ್ನ ರಹಸ್ಯಗಳನ್ನು ನನಗೆ ಹೇಳುವೆಯಾ?  
ಎಲ್ಲವನ್ನು ನೋಡಿರುವ , ಗಮನಿಸಿರುವ  
ಓ... ಸಾಗರವೇ!

ನಿನ್ನ ಜ್ಞಾನವನ್ನು ನನ್ನ ಜೊತೆ ಹಂಚಿಕೊಳ್ಳುವೆಯಾ?  
ನಾನಿಲ್ಲಿ ನಿನ್ನನ್ನೇ ನೋಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದೀನಿ  
ಎಂಬುದು ನಿನಗೆ ಗೊತ್ತೇ?  
ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡು ಹೋಗು ನನ್ನ ತೊಂದರೆಯನ್ನು , ನನ್ನ ಯೋಚನೆಯನ್ನು  
ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡು ಹೋಗು ನನ್ನನ್ನು  
ನಿನ್ನನ್ನು ಕಂಡ ನಾನು ಧನ್ಯನಲ್ಲವೇ?

ಅನಿಂದ್ ಕಿರಣ್

೯ನೇ ತರಗತಿ.

ನಾನು ಮತ್ತೆ ನನ್ನ ಕನಸು!

ಸಣ್ಣ ವಯಸ್ಸಿನಲ್ಲಿ, ವಿಮಾನವನ್ನು ಓಡಿಸಲು ಆಸೆ.  
ಹೀಗೆ ಶುರುವಾಯಿತು ನನ್ನ ಮೊದಲಿನ ಕನಸು!

ಕಾಲ ಬದಲಾದಂತೆ, ಯೋಚನೆಯೂ ಬದಲಾಯಿತು.  
ಆಗ ಅನಿಸಿದ ಸುಲಭವೂ ಈಗ ಅನಿಸುತ್ತದೆ ಬಹಳ ಕಷ್ಟ!  
ಹೀಗೆ ಬದಲಾಯಿತು ನನ್ನ ಮೊದಲಿನ ಕನಸು!!

ಆಡುವುದೇ ನನ್ನ ಕನಸೆಂದು ಸ್ವಲ್ಪ ಹೊತ್ತು,  
ಹಾಡುವುದೇ ನನ್ನ ಕನಸೆಂದು ಇನ್ನೊಂದು ಹೊತ್ತು!  
ಹೀಗೆ ಬಿದ್ದವು ಕನಸುಗಳು!!

ಹೇಗೆ ಇದ್ದೇನೋ ಹಾಗೇ ಇರಬೇಕೆಂದು ಕನಸು ಕಟ್ಟಿದ್ದೆ,  
ಅದು ಆಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ ಎಂದು ಕನಸನ್ನೇ ಬಿಟ್ಟಿದ್ದೆ!  
ಕನಸನ್ನು ಬಿಡುವುದೂ ನನ್ನ ಒಂದು ಕನಸಾಯಿತು!!

ಕಷ್ಟದಲ್ಲಿರುವವರಿಗೆ ಸಹಾಯ ಮಾಡುವುದು,  
ನನ್ನಲ್ಲಿ ಆದಷ್ಟು ಒಳ್ಳೆಯತನ ಅಳವಡಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳುವುದು  
ನನ್ನ ನಿಜವಾದ ಕನಸಾಗಿ ಹೋಯಿತು!

ಎಲ್ಲ ಕನಸುಗಳು ನನಸಾಗಲು,  
ನಮ್ಮ ಪ್ರತಿಭೆಯ ಜೊತೆ ಹೋಗುವುದೇ ನನ್ನ ಕನಸು!  
ಈ ಎಲ್ಲ ಕನಸುಗಳು ನನಸಾಗುವುದೆಂದಿಗೋ?

ಜ್ಞಾನೇಶ್. ಕೆ.ವಿ. ೯ನೇ ತರಗತಿ

