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"WHAT LIES BEHIND US
AND
WHAT LIES BEFORE US
ARE TINY MATTERS
COMPARED TO WHAT
LIES WITHIN US."

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#### **EDITOR'S NOTE**



Dear Readers,

Welcome to Zenith'25, XIII edition of our school magazine!

As another academic year unfolds, we are reminded of the boundless potential within each one of us. This year, our school has witnessed remarkable achievements—be it in academics, sports and other events. These accomplishments are not just milestones but also stepping stones toward a brighter future.

This issue celebrates the creativity, hard work, and resilience of our school community. From thought-provoking articles and imaginative stories to breathtaking art, literature, photography and various elements, this magazine is a testament to the talent of our students and the dedication of our teachers.

At the heart of our school lies the belief that education is not just about gaining knowledge but also about building character, fostering creativity, and embracing challenges. We encourage each of you to dream big, think differently, and strive for excellence.

As you flip through the pages, may you feel inspired, motivated, and proud to be a part of this wonderful institution. Let us continue to work together to make our school a place where ideas flourish and possibilities are endless.

Here's to another year of learning, growth, and success! Happy reading!

Warm regards
Editorial committee

#### **CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE**



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President, Children's Education Society(R) Chairman, The Oxford Educational Institutions



#### MESSAGE

"Wherever we go, no matter what the weather, always bring our own sunshine!"

Oxfordites

Knowledge-based education, which has provided the foundation for education over the ages, is no longer adequate to prepare our children for the world that is changing rapidly. As facilitators of education, it is our responsibility to prepare students for the challenges that lie ahead.

The goal of The Oxford Senior Secondary School is to inspire learning in a classroom culture that reflects an inquiry-based approach using best teaching practices. Participation of students in co-curricular activities and sports promotes talent, team spirit and leadership qualities.

Nurtured by committed, caring, knowledgeable, experienced and talented faculty, every child is encouraged to develop to their fullest potential. The excellent infrastructure, well equipped class rooms and state of the art laboratories ensure that our students are well prepared to use technology as a tool for learning, research, and expression.

We believe that the inculcation of moral and ethical values together with a reverence for our environment is equally important for holistic development of a student.

The school magazine "Zenith" is a mirror that reflects the activities, talent and creative ideas of young minds. It is an opportunity for the student community to express their thoughts and a feeling of bonding with their alma mater.

I extend my warm wishes to the Principal, Staff, and students of The Oxford Senior Secondary School to continue their endeavours on the path to excellence.

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#### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



As we step into another exciting year, it fills me with immense pride to reflect on the growth and accomplishments of our school community.

This year has been a testament to the resilience, creativity and hard work that each one of you brings to our school.

Together, we have not only navigated challenges but have also seized opportunities to learn and grow.

Our school continues to be a place when values like respect,

responsibility and perseverance are at the heart of everything we do. We believe in nurturing each student's potential, helping them not only excel academically but also develop into thoughtful

compassionate individuals who will make a positive impact on the world.

This magazine is a celebration of our collective achievements from academic milestones to extracurricular triumphs. I encourage every one of you to continue striving for excellence, embracing challenges and supporting one another as we embark on another year of learning and discovery.

Thank you to our dedicated teachers and parents who play such a crucial role in our success. And to our students-you are the true heart of this institution. Keep dreaming, keep learning and keep growing.

Wishing you best for a bright future ahead.

Mrs Mala banerjee Principal

#### **ACADEMIC LEAD'S MESSAGE**



It gives me immense pleasure to share a few words through our student magazine ZE-NITH for the year 2024-25. As we celebrate 50 years of the Children's Education Society established by our esteemed Founder, Shri S Narasaraju Garu, I am filled with gratitude as I reflect on the remarkable journey that has been shaped by the collective passion, and unwavering dedication of every member of the Oxford family.

The Oxford Senior Secondary school has always been a pride of the Oxford Educations Intuitions, and our children strive to achieve excellence year after year. Our school magazine Zenith provides a vibrant platform to encapsulate countless stories of innovation, creativity and accomplishment that have defined our academic year where our students persistently push the boundaries of achievement. This platform provides an excellent opportunity for both students and educators to express their creativity, share their experiences and wisdom which reflects the nurturing environment that has been cultivated here.

As we mark this golden milestone, we remain committed to our mission of nurturing well-rounded individuals who are prepared to face the challenges of tomorrow ensuring our students are equipped with the skills and mind set needed to thrive in an increasingly dynamic world.

I extend my heartfelt congratulations to the editorial team, students and staff who have worked hard to bring this magazine together. May this edition of Zenith continue to inspire and illuminate the paths of our Oxfordites.

Leela Lakshmi Raju SN Academic Lead

#### **ALUMNI'S MESSAGE**



The Oxford Senior Secondary School ... not merely a school but a temple of learning in all aspects. Even though I joined in class XI (2019 outgoing batch) the warm welcome by teachers, classmates & staff instantly made me feel that I belonged to the family.

The guidance given by each and every faculty in various aspects of academics as well as the life lessons is a blessing. This has helped to deal with the pressures of medical education and successfully complete my MBBS degree from AKASH INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES AND RESEARCH CENTRE, DEVANAHALLI and am currently a HOUSE SURGEON at the same hospital.

Besides academics, cultural activities, debates and sports were equally encouraged for all round development. A school upholding such immense values and discipline is something which every student should be proud of and being able to call myself an alumni of this institution is indeed a blessing.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone in the institution for being kind and inclusive. Wishing the best of luck to all the students reading this and may each one of you enjoy your days in school and strive to uphold the glory of this institution and continue the legacy of OXFORDITES.

Dr. Suruchi Roy

#### **ALUMNI'S MESSAGE**



As someone who personally worked on putting together the 2013-14 edition of Zenith, it gives me great pleasure to see this tradition continue, and I am grateful for the opportunity to share a few words here. With how fresh every memory of my 13 years of schooling at the school still is, it's hard to believe that it has been almost 10 years since I walked out of this temple of learning for the last time to face the outside world. It's impossible to put down in words how much impact the school and all its teachers have had on me during my time here.

From sparking an interest in science and technology, to encouraging my participation in extracurricular activities to learn more about the world, the school has definitely shaped me into who I am today. Coexisting with a diverse community of fellow students along with thoughtful assembly programs encouraged tolerance and acceptance of others despite our differences.

A special shout out to the school bus, which was itself a mini-community and always full of activity, from people cramming for exams to discussing the latest happenings outside of school. Something you can never really experience again once you leave this phase of life!

Having completed a B.E. from R.V. College of Engineering, and an M.S. from the University of California, Irvine, I currently work as a Senior Software Engineer at Qualcomm Technologies Inc. in San Diego, California. In my day-to-day work, I still directly use the skills I learned in my computer science classes in classes in Class XI and XII. Special thanks to Sharadha ma'am for her interactive and engaging teaching style whose results speak for themselves.

My best wishes to all the students, faculty and non-teaching staff in their efforts to keep the flag of this institution flying high. I will carry the values I learned here throughout my life.

R Jayanth

#### **ALUMNI'S MESSAGE**



Hello everyone,

I'm Sudarshan Srinivas, your alumnus from the 2018 batch, now working as a Senior Product Designer at Razorpay, India's leading payment gateway company.

There's only one school I've ever known—The Oxford Senior Secondary School, or TOSSS as we lovingly call it. My journey here began in LKG, as a curious four-year-old toddler and continued all the way until I graduated in 12th grade. Looking back, I can confidently say that my parents

enrolling me in The Oxford Senior Secondary School was one of the best decisions they ever made. The incredible teachers who guided me, the friends who became family and the environment that nurtured my curiosity have all played a pivotal role in shaping who I am today.

In fact, my career as a designer had its humble beginnings here. Did you know I designed one of the earlier volumes of Zenith? That experience not only sparked my interest in design but also gave me the confidence to pursue it as a career. It was about 10 years ago, but I still cherish those early steps, which laid the foundation for the work I do today.

This was more than a school to me. It was my second home. Even years after graduating, I've always felt welcomed whenever I've visited. No matter where in the world I am, I proudly carry the badge of being an Oxfordite. To all the students reading this, I urge you to cherish every moment, every lesson, and every opportunity this wonderful institution provides you. Your time here will shape not just your future but also the person you'll become.

Thank you, Sudarshan Srinivas

#### **TEACHER'S DESK**



Dear children,

I feel honored and elated to be part of this edition of 'ZENITH' magazine, the epitome of creativity and expression.

"Education is the passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today'. It is a lifelong journey. Our school continues to contribute in this incredible journey of a student's life by providing a platform to develop curiosity, gain knowledge and inculcate values to prepare them for a bright future.

As we reflect on another fruitful academic year; as an educator, I am filled with pride on seeing our vibrant community of learners and creative thinkers spread their wings and create unforgettable memories.

I encourage you to continue being inquisitive in your educational journey, cherish the friendships and bonds formed in the classroom, lift each other up and celebrate each other's achievements. Believe in yourself, stay focused and chase your dreams!

Mrs. Supritha Lakshmi Bhat

#### **TEACHER'S DESK**



Dear Students,

It brings me immense joy and pride to share my thoughts for this edition of ZENITH, a true reflection of the creativity and achievements of our school community.

Education is not merely about acquiring knowledge; it is about shaping your character, fostering curiosity, and preparing you to navigate life with confidence and wisdom. As Aristotle aptly said, "The roots of education are bitter, but the fruit is sweet." Every lesson you learn today is a stepping stone toward a brighter and more fulfilling future.

As you reflect on your journey so far, remember that true success lies in embracing the process of learning, supporting your peers, and finding joy in every small victory. Celebrate the friendships you've formed, for they are among the most beautiful treasures of your school life. Don't be afraid to aim high and go after your dreams with passion and perseverance.

Each of you possesses a unique talent, and I encourage you to nurture it. Believe in your potential, remain focused on your goals, and approach challenges as opportunities for growth. The world is yours to explore, and with hard work and perseverance, there is no limit to what you can achieve.

ZENITH consistently impresses with its vibrant content and the incredible talent it showcases. The magazine resonates deeply with its brilliance, honesty, and imaginative expressions. Through its pages, we see young minds stepping out of their comfort zones, eager to share their thoughts and creativity with the world.

I would like to thank the editorial team for their fastidious efforts in bringing out this wonderful magazine.

With warm wishes and blessings for continued success,

Mrs. Seema Gupta

#### **TEACHER'S DESK**



As an educator, I am deeply grateful to our school for providing a nurturing and dynamic environment that has shaped the experiences of each student. This institution has not only fostered academic growth but also developed character, creativity, and resilience in our learners. I have had the privilege of watching students evolve into thoughtful, determined individuals ready to face the future with confidence. The support of our dedicated staff, the encouragement of our community, and the wealth of resources available have all played a pivotal role in this journey.

I would also like to extend my sincere thanks to our principal, the school management, and my fellow teachers for their unwavering commitment and hard work in guiding and mentoring our students. Their vision, leadership, and dedication are truly the foundation of the success we see today. To the parents, thank you for your ongoing partnership and support in nurturing and inspiring these young minds. Together, we create a strong, supportive network that ensures every student's potential is realized.

To all our students, I want to express my heartfelt admiration for your hard work, curiosity, and perseverance. As you move forward, remember that every challenge you face is an opportunity to grow, and every success is a testament to your dedication.

Thank You Mrs. Pallavi CR

#### **PARENT'S DESK**



Having been associated with The Oxford Senior Secondary School for last 14 years for both my children, it gives me immense joy and happiness being afforded the privilege to walk down the cherishing memory lane over the years!

Decision to select academic institution is pivotal in shaping a child's future. And as I reflect now, it fills me with gratitude and contentment for having made the resolute choice of collaborating with The Oxford Senior Secondary School to nurture an incredible development journey for my children through unwavering support and dedication the institution has demonstrated. Constant encouragement, guidance, and involvement have played an integral role in their growth, not just as a student, but as an individual.

The holistic development approach that the institution has been providing by blending theoretical knowledge along with extracurricular pursuits in the fields of sports, dramatics, tech labs, inter school competitions, annual events and magazine has helped in developing personality trait skills in terms of social bonding and broadening network, thus children blossoming into confident young adults. My daughter this year and my son (graduated last year), have such wonderful cherishing memories about each teacher, staff and management right from UKG to class 12 by itself is a great testimony of the bonding / one family culture.

Through every challenge, triumph, and moment of learning, the institution's support has been a steady presence, fostering a sense of confidence and resilience in my children.

The memories created during this process will forever be cherished—whether it was celebrating small victories, navigating difficult tasks, or simply sharing in the joy of newfound knowledge.

It is because of the institutes strong core values, commitment and the positive impact on my daughter and son that they continue to strive for excellence, embrace new opportunities, and grow into a thoughtful and determined person. Thank you for your partnership in this educational journey.

Here's to the wonderful memories made and to all the incredible moments ahead!

With sincere appreciation,

S. Venkatesh Dave

Father of Shriya V Dave (XII B) and Amogh V Dave (Alumni)

#### **PARENT'S DESK**



As my younger son prepares to pass out his Higher Secondary from your institution after 14 years starting from LKG, I find myself reflecting on the incredible journey he had at this institution. From the very first day, our elder son was admitted to TOSSS, we felt welcomed into a nurturing and supportive environment where both academic growth and personal development were prioritized. It was for this very same reason, we decided that our younger son too should be part of this institution,

The teachers and staff have always been passionate about fostering not only knowledge but also confidence, creativity, and a love for learning. This institution provided my son with opportunities to explore new interests, build lasting friendships, and become an active, engaged member of the school community. The emphasis on extracurricular activities, such as sports, arts, leadership, etc. truly helped my child discover his strengths and passion.

I am grateful for the dedication and commitment of the educators (Teachers, Principal, Management) who went above and beyond to support my child's individual learning needs. Their encouragement and guidance played a significant role in shaping the person my child is today – resilient, curious, confident and ready to take on the challenges ahead.

As my child moves on to the next chapter of his life, I will always be thankful for the foundation that has been provided to him. It has been an extraordinary experience, and we will carry the lessons and memories from this school for many years to come. Thank you, for being such a pivotal part of my child's educational journey!

S S Venkatesh
Father Of Karan S (XII A)

#### **PARENT'S DESK**



As my daughter completes her 10th grade at this esteemed institution, I am filled with immense gratitude. The nurturing environment and dedicated educators have shaped her into a confident and creative individual who loves learning.

TOSSS emphasis on holistic development through sports, arts, and leadership programs has helped her discover her talents and learn valuable life skills. The sense of community and inclusive atmosphere have fostered lasting friendships and a strong sense of belonging.

As she embarks on the next chapter, I am deeply thankful for the strong foundation provided by this school. The lessons and memories gained here will shape her future in meaningful ways.

Thank you to the entire school community for being a cornerstone in her growth and success.

Mithilesh Jha Father of Akanksha Jha (X A)

#### SCHOOL CAPTAIN'S MESSAGE



"Silence is not the absence of sound, it's a loud voice of unsaid emotions"

Today, coming towards the end of my schooling, i feel that i started a bon voyage several months back where my ship was filled with loads and loads of responsibilities and i somehow considered it as a load. After spending several months on this cruise journey, I have started to love water, love the load, love the responsibilities and moreover I have started to love myself. The post of captaincy seems as a tough responsibility which is difficult to handle but it teaches you something through criticisms, pain that it becomes your lifestyle.

I realised that criticism is the best teacher. During tough times, it seems that we get lost in the dismay fields of darkness and desolation where everything appears to be blurry, dark and negative but we are just one moment and step away from changing who we are!

The post and the experience taught me what is the actual difference between reality and perception. Though the difference seems quite evident, our think tank just finds itself lost in a maze of questions and arguments. The perception is that everyone judges us, everyone misunderstands us and everyone hates us!

The reality is that it doesn't matter what people think, the only thing which matters is whether we are good enough? Were we honest? At the end of the day, do I have the strength to look myself into the mirror and say with pride that whatever I did was right and it was completely worth it!!

Our lovely teachers played a very crucial role here in our lives! They stood by us when no one did. Because of their unwavering moral support, I am what I am today!! Their support was not meant just for the sake of supporting, it's the perfect example of polar diversity!

Hot as fire and cold as ice, sweet and sugar and everything nice!

As royal as a queen, as buzzed as a bee, as stealth as tiger, smooth as a glider, pure like a melody, pure as I wanna be, everything- everything I want!

On our journey, they never promised that there would be no troublesome storms, rather they gave us an unsinkable ship!

Strangely, initially I didn't want to start the voyage due to heavy loads. But now in the end I don't want to end this journey because this load, this task, this responsibility taught me so many things in life which no book, no text, no words could ever!

Regards, Aditya Kumar

#### SCHOOL CAPTAIN'S MESSAGE



"Unexpressed emotions hide life's deepest experiences. Expression sets us free!"

I started my journey with expectations and ended it up with reality!! An expectation is a myth which is a sweet lie and reality is a harsh truth! I started my journey with a thought in mind, that the post of captaincy would be like a weight on my shoulders. A task which would cease our opinions as if entrapped in a dungeon, a duty which is gulped into the liquor of a pocket flagon!

What i ever imagined was difficulty and issues. But the reality was miles away from my thought! I learned the meaning of hope. The weight of my shoulders, which seemed like trouble, strengthened me to carry weights! A state of being in a dungeon would fill me with the sense of trials and attempts to come out of trouble making me a better problem solver. My duties which were gulped would flow through my body reminding me each and every second with hope that who i actually am, what am i actually capable of doing! Today I stand on the stage where I believe that there is no task in this world, which I am not capable of doing! And that's the truth of life. It's just the fact, we need to close our eyes and trust ourselves rather than other.

Words can't express how proud and grateful I feel, for having such incredibly awesome teachers. They are the master gardeners of our minds, cultivating curiosity, nurturing knowledge, and pruning doubt. Their guidance has helped us grow strong and resilient, capable of blooming in a world of possibilities. Thank you for being the sunshine that nourishes our growth.

This prestigious temple of learning has seen me grow.

My alma mater stands as a revered institution, a canvas of memories intricately painted with the vibrant hues of laughter, tears, and triumphs. The hallowed halls of this esteemed establishment served as a sanctuary of growth, where fledgling dreams took shape, and impressionable hearts were molded into resilient and compassionate individuals. Over the course of fourteen transformative years, this institution has left an indelible mark on my being, fostering a legacy of love, learning, and loyalty that will forever be etched in my soul.

The fact's simple! Some people see everything while their eyes are shut, and a few don't even while their eyes are wide open! The art of looking at everything with love, care, hope and dedication is what I learnt during my tenure of captaincy!

Regards, Shriya Venkatesh Dave

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TOPPER'S LIST- CLASS XII			
SL	NAME OF THE STUDENT	%	
SCIENCE STREAM			
1	YASHAS S	94.6	
2	VISHRAT RAVINDRAN	92.6	
3	ARPITA DAS	91.6	
4	CHIDANAND GOWDA	91.2	
5	BHUMIKA S	90.2	
6	GEMBALI SAI GOURI	90.2	
7	MANOJ KUMAR L	90.2	
8	ANUSHKA ROY	88.4	
9	ADITYA PETKAR	88	
10	SHRUTHI DINESH	87.8	
COMMERCE			
1	JHALAK GARODIA	91.4	
2	NUHAA ROUSHEEN KHAN	82.2	
3	K ARUNDATHI PRASAD	79.8	

	TOPPER'S LIST- CLASS X	
SL	NAME OF THE STUDENT	%
1	JOAN RACHEL RAJI	98.2
2	MEESALA GEETHIKA	96.3
3	ATARVA KUNDAN DIGHE	96.2
4	VARSHITHA CHIDANAND T	95.8
5	DYUTHI SHEKHAR	95.0
6	M HARINI	94.5
7	ASHWYN GEORGE MATHEW	94.2
8	NIDA WAHID	93.7
9	RIFA SADDAF	93.5
10	TANUSHRI MISHRA	93.5
11	SHARA S	93.5
12	MAHEEN SHAIK	93.3
13	SHAH AZEEZ ARHAM	93.3
14	SPANDAN KUMAR KAR	93.2
15	ANISHKA MISHRA	92.3
16	NAVANEET S P	91.8
17	SHRIHARIDRA S	91.2
18	S M A MATHEEN	91.0
19	TEJAS ANANGAR BHAT	90.5
20	SOUMYA JAIN	90.3
21	VIDYA D R	90.3
22	SYEDA SANA ZEELAN	90.3

## NON-ACADEMIC



#### PROUD MOMENT

We are extremely proud and happy to share the ecstatic news that the Chairman of The Oxford Educational Institutions, Dr. SNVL Narasimha Raju, has been awarded an Honorary Doctorate by Karnataka University, Dharwad, on September 24, 2024, during its 74th Annual Convocation Ceremony.



#### DYNAMIC SCHOOL AWARD

The Oxford Senior Secondary School is proud to receive the prestigious "Dynamic Schools" award for excellence in education! Presented at the 12th National Conference on K-12 Leadership and India School Merit Awards by Education Today on December 10, 2024, this honor is a moment of great pride for our management, staff, and students.



#### **EXCELLENCE AWARD**

We are delighted to share that The Oxford Senior Secondary School has been recognized for Excellence in 'Sustainable and Holistic Growth Programs' by Eldrok at the Eldrok India K-12 Expo Summit, held at KTPO Trade Center, Whitefield, Bengaluru.

This achievement is yet another remarkable milestone in the school's illustrious history!



#### PES FEST 2024

On Saturday, August 31, 2024, PES College hosted various exciting activities, with our school achieving one of the highest participation levels. Students aged 15 to 17 showcased their talent and dedication, winning several prizes. Notably, Aditya Kumar from Class XII secured 3rd place in "The Entertainer" event at PES Fest 2024, adding to our school's pride.



#### **SKETCHING COMPETITION**

Shri Haridhra from Class XI and Sejal from Class XII attended a design workshop conducted by UID at Baldwin Boys' High School. Shri Haridhra participated in a sketching competition, securing a spot in the top five and winning a prize for her outstanding drawing. Sejal also actively participated in the workshop, gaining valuable insights into design principles and techniques.



#### **EXCELLENCE AWARD**

Prutha Sameer Sakurikar from Class XI show-cased her exceptional badminton skills in a recent tournament organized by Panchajanya Badminton and Fitness Academy. She secured second place in the under-17 category and first place in the under-19 category.



#### **ALL ROUNDER QUIZ (CITY LEVEL)**

We are proud to share that a few students participated in Round 2 of Classmate's All-Rounder Quiz at the city level. Dhaksh D. Arasa of Grade IX secured first prize in the senior level, awarded by Classmate's. He received a cash prize of ₹10,000, a certificate, and a trophy. Dhaksh has also been selected to represent Bangalore in the national level competition.



#### NATIONAL LEVEL TAEKWONDO COMPETITION

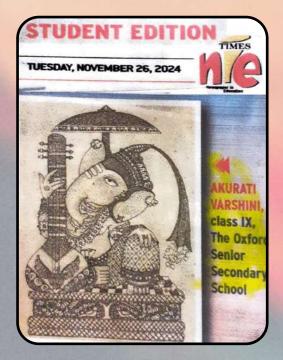
Our school has always excelled in extracurricular activities, with sports recently taking the spotlight. Our students demonstrated impressive strength and agility, reflecting their dedication. Notably, Methiya from Class IX secured 2nd place in a competitive event, showcasing our school's talent.



#### PRE JAMBOREE CAMP

The NCC cadets and corps recently attended a pre-jamboree camp, participating in various activities aimed at building strength and teamwork. Through rigorous drills and group exercises, they honed their skills and fostered unity. The camp proved to be an invaluable experience.

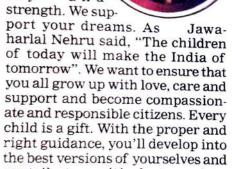






### Become the best version of yourselves

s we celebrate Children's Day, we admire your innocence, curiosity and



contribute positively to society.

Dream high and achieve your goals.

Lincy Mary Thomas, The Oxford Senior Secondary School, J P Nagar

# Inter-house matches promote healthy contests, teamwork

### The Oxford Senior Secondary School

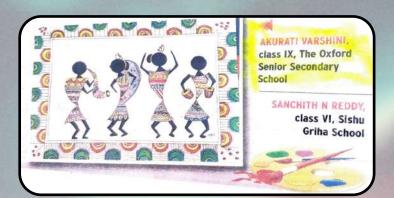
The highly anticipated Amith Memorial Cup inter house kho-kho matches for girls and football matches for boys took place from July 29 to August 1. In an exhilarating display of speed, agility and teamwork, Rangers emerged

victorious against Gladiators in a thrilling kho-kho match.

Saxons emerged as the champions for the football match against Rangers, displaying exceptional skill and strategy throughout the tournament. They were the proud winners of the cup for the year 2024-25.

Both the matches were a resounding success, promoting healthy competition, teamwork and school spirit.







### SPREADING AWARENESS THROUGH STREET PLAYS

#### The Oxford Senior Secondary School

CA competitions are events where students showcase their skills and talents in areas outside the traditional academic curriculum.

Street plays are used as a means of communication to disseminate social and political messages and have always played an important role in spreading awareness among all age groups.

The students got the opportunity to showcase their alents through street plays.

They used the medium to pread social awareness bout different issues like



excessive use of social media, superstitions and different scams in competitive exams. The performances were engaging and the theme was thought-provoking, leaving

a lasting impact on the viewers. Overall, the street play was a triumphant example of art being used as a tool for social commentary and community engagement.



#### The Oxford Senior Secondary School

he strongest people aren't always the people who win, but the people who don't give up when they lose. Sports teaches us this important value to never give up.

The annual sports meet was held on November 27, 2024. International netball player Nan-

dini L G was the chief guest.

After the welcome speech by principal Mala Banerjee and flag hoisting, a meticulous march past by NCC, school band, student leaders, Bharat Scouts and Guides and house teams fol-

Nandini gave an inspirational speech focussing on the importance and benefits of sports in one's life.

Academic lead of The Oxford Group of Schools Leela Lakshmi Raju S N spoke about how sports can help build social skills like teamwork, healthy competition, good sportsmanship, and empathy.

A karate and aerobics display energised the crowd. The track and field events for various classes were charged with energy and vigour. Events for parents added charm and it was wonderful to see them participate actively.

The day ended with the trophies being handed to the best houses in various categories and to the individual champions at different levels. It was indeed a momentous day for all the winners and a day that truly displayed the hallmarks of sportsmanship in all the students.











# INVESTITURE CEREMONY

The Investiture Ceremony at our school is a prestigious annual event where leadership is recognized, and responsibilities are formally entrusted to the newly elected Student Council. This democratic process allows students from Classes 8 to 12 to actively participate in voting, fostering a sense of responsibility and governance.

The Investiture Ceremony 2024-25 was held on June 26th, marking the beginning of a new chapter for the Student Council. The elected members were honored with their prestigious badges and officially inducted into their roles. The Principal, Mrs. Mala Banerjee, addressed the gathering with an inspiring speech on leadership, emphasizing the values of integrity, dedication, and responsibility.

The ceremony was further enriched by a graceful invocation dance, setting the tone for the event. Following this, the newly elected School Boy Captain, Aditya Kumar, and School Girl Captain, Shriya V. Dave, took the stage for the Oath-Taking Ceremony, pledging to uphold the values of the school and lead with excellence. A motivational speech by the School Girl Captain further encouraged the council to lead with sincerity and determination.

The event concluded with an uplifting address by Principal Mrs. Mala Banerjee, inspiring the student body to strive for greatness. With the emergence of these new leaders, the school embarks on another promising academic year, filled with aspirations and guided by the vision of its Student Governing Council.



### SANSKRIT DIVAS

Sanskrit Day is a significant occasion celebrated annually on August 7th, dedicated to honoring and promoting the ancient language of Sanskrit. This day serves as a reminder of the language's profound contribution to history, literature, and culture, and emphasizes its continued relevance in today's world.

Our school marked this important day with a special assembly aimed at raising awareness about the importance of Sanskrit. The event featured an array of engaging activities that highlighted the language's beauty and significance. Students participated in a skit that creatively depicted the rich history and cultural impact of Sanskrit, offering a unique perspective on its relevance in modern times.

A lively dance performance followed, showcasing the connection between Sanskrit and Indian classical art forms, further immersing the audience in the cultural significance of the language. In addition, there were slogan recitations that captured the essence of Sanskrit as a language of wisdom and knowledge.

To conclude the event, a soulful song was performed, emphasizing the timeless nature of Sanskrit and its importance in preserving our cultural heritage. The assembly not only celebrated the language itself but also inspired students to explore and appreciate its vast contribution to various fields like philosophy, mathematics, science, and literature.

Through these activities, the day served as an enriching experience, reinforcing the importance of preserving and promoting Sanskrit in our everyday lives.



### INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

Independence Day is not just a date on the calendar; it represents a pivotal moment in the history of our nation, a symbol of freedom, and a celebration of our collective identity. It is a day when we come together to honor the sacrifices made by those who fought for our independence, and to reflect on the progress we've made as a nation.

Our school celebrated Independence Day with enthusiasm and pride, hosting a variety of exciting and energetic performances. The event featured dance performances, a skit, a song, and even a karate demonstration, showcasing the talents and creativity of students from all classes. Each performance was infused with passion and love for the country, and students put forth their best efforts to express their patriotism.

The celebration was not merely a ceremonial occasion; it was a dynamic blend of education, inspiration, and community spirit. These assemblies allowed students to not only celebrate but also gain a deeper understanding of the values of freedom, unity, and nationhood. The event fostered a sense of pride and responsibility among the students, encouraging them to reflect on the importance of contributing to the growth and betterment of the nation.

The day ended with a renewed sense of national pride, as everyone left with a deeper appreciation for the sacrifices made by our freedom fighters and the responsibilities we carry as citizens of this great country.











# AMC AND KHO KHO TOURNAMENT

One of the most awaited times of the year for a student who loves sports is the Amit Memorial Cup, when the students show their teamwork, leadership qualities, and sportsman spirit.

The Amit Memorial Cup takes place every year at The Oxford Senior Secondary School, where all the houses play against each other under various team sports such as football, kho-kho, throwball, etc. This year, the sports played were football for boys and kho-kho for girls.

From 29th July to 1st August, Kho-Kho for girls and Football for boys were conducted house-wise. On 29th, 30th, and 31st, league matches were held, and the finals were conducted on 1st August. The day showcased spirited sportsmanship and skill, leaving a lasting memory of competitive excellence.

The tournament witnessed intense matches, with students displaying remarkable teamwork, strategy, and determination. Every game was a testament to the dedication and hard work of the participants, as they competed with full enthusiasm and sportsman spirit. The energy on the field was electrifying, as players gave their best performances, cheered on by their housemates and teachers.

As the finals concluded, the excitement reached its peak, with the best teams emerging victorious after days of tough competition. Winners were felicitated, and appreciation was extended to all players who participated with passion and commitment. The Amit Memorial Cup once again proved to be a platform where students not only showcased their athletic abilities but also learned valuable lessons in perseverance, discipline, and teamwork.









# TEACHER'S DAY CELEBRATION

The Teacher's Day program was celebrated on the 5th of September 2024, with students from all gradesparticipating enthusiastically and giving their best performances for their beloved teachers. Teacher's Day is a significant occasion that recognizes and honors the invaluable role teachers play in shaping the future of individuals and society.

The program commenced with an invocation, seeking the blessings of the Almighty, followed by a warm welcome speech delivered by the School Captains, Aditya Kumar and Shriya V Dave.

Students showcased their talents through mesmerizing songs, energetic and graceful dance performances, and heartfelt skits, leaving the audience captivated. The crowd cheered as their favorite songs played, dancing along and creating cherished memories with friends. The teachers, filled with joy, joined in the celebration, appreciating the heartfelt efforts of their students.

The event concluded on a meaningful note, highlighting the profound impact of teachers in shaping young minds and celebrating their dedication and guidance.













# JCC AND KHO KHO TOURNAMENT

On Friday, September 30th, our Middle School was filled with excitement and energy as we hosted the much-anticipated JCC Tournament, one of the most dynamic events of the school year. The atmosphere was electric as students came together to participate in various sports, showcasing their athletic skills and team spirit.

The highlight of the day was the cricket match for boys and the Kho-Kho game for girls. Both matches were highly competitive, with each player giving their best effort for their team. The final moments of the games were filled with tension, as both teams fought tooth and nail for the victory. The last few seconds, when both sides were fiercely competing for the win, added an extra layer of excitement to the event.

The performances were a true reflection of the students' hard work and dedication. Their teamwork, determination, and sportsmanship made them the proud champions of the day, leaving everyone cheering and celebrating their remarkable achievements.

The tournament not only highlighted the importance of sports and teamwork but also instilled a sense of camaraderie and school spirit among all the participants. It was an event to remember, marking a significant moment in the school year.







# **KANNADA RAJYOTSAVA**

Kannada Rajyotsava is a vibrant celebration of unity, cultural diversity, and the pride of the Kannada language that lights up the heart of Karnataka! Observed on November 1st, this significant day marks the formation of Karnataka as a unified state in 1956, bringing together regions that shared a common language and cultural identity.

This amazing day honors the rich heritage of our state and pays tribute to the visionary leaders who shaped its glorious past. It's not just a day of remembrance; it's an exhilarating reminder of the significance of Kannada language and culture in our daily lives! Schools, colleges, offices, and communities across Karnataka come alive with cultural performances, processions, and patriotic fervor, as people unite to celebrate their shared identity.

The Kannada flag, with its bold red and yellow colors, is hoisted with pride, symbolizing the courage and prosperity of the land. Various programs featuring traditional dance, music, and literary events highlight the deep-rooted artistic and intellectual legacy of Karnataka. People also pay homage to great Kannada poets, writers, and freedom fighters who have contributed immensely to the state's rich history.

Kannada Rajyotsava serves as a reminder of our responsibility to uphold and promote our language, traditions, and values. It instills a sense of belonging and pride among Kannadigas, reinforcing the beauty and depth of our cultural roots. As Karnataka continues to flourish, this day encourages every citizen to contribute to the progress of the state while cherishing its glorious past.

Elladaru Iru, Enthadaru Iru, Endendigu Nee Kannadavagiru!











## CHILDREN'S DAY

Children's Day celebrates the joy, energy, and boundless dreams of children, highlighting their laughter and aspirations. It's a day to honor the little ones who bring love into our lives, reminding us of the importance of nurturing and safeguarding their futures. For children, it's a magical day filled with attention, small gifts, and the affection of family and teachers, reinforcing the belief that they deserve happiness, care, and endless opportunities.

Amid their busy schedules, our dedicated teachers delivered a remarkable performance that truly captivated us. The event began with a dazzling fashion show, where they showcased vibrant outfits that told unique stories, reflecting creativity and charm.

This was followed by harmonious singing, filling the air with enchanting melodies that resonated with joy. The celebration continued with lively dance routines, radiating enthusiasm and energy, inviting everyone to join in the festivities. The cheers and laughter of the students echoed through the school, making the day truly unforgettable.

Beyond the fun and excitement, Children's Day serves as a reminder that every child deserves love, education, and encouragement to reach their fullest potential. As the celebrations concluded, the spirit of the day remained, reminding us that children are the heart of our future and deserve to be cherished every single day.



# CLASS MAGAZINE CONTEST

Our school conducted a magazine competition, where each class created a file showcasing the innovative contributions of its students. Every student played a role in contributing to the magazine, making it a collective effort. Each class gave their best, resulting in a diverse and creative collection of ideas and work.

The competition provided students with a platform to express their creativity through articles, poems, artwork, and other unique contributions. The enthusiasm and teamwork displayed by each class were evident in the effort they put into designing and compiling their magazine. From brainstorming ideas to assembling the final presentation, the process encouraged collaboration, originality, and dedication.

As the competition progressed, the spirit of healthy rivalry motivated students to push their creative boundaries. The final submissions reflected the hard work and imagination of the participants, making it a true celebration of talent and innovation. The event not only fostered literary and artistic expression but also strengthened the sense of unity and shared achievement among students.



























### ANNUAL SPORTS MEET

"The strongest people aren't always the ones who win, but the ones who don't give up when they lose." Sports teaches us this important value—to never give up.

The Annual Sports Meet was held on 27th November 2024, a day dedicated to celebrating the spirit of sportsmanship and victory. It was an honor to have Ms. Nandini L. G., a National and International Netball Player, as our chief guest. The event began with a welcome speech by our Principal, Mrs. Mala Banerjee, followed by the flag hoisting by the dignitaries. A spectacular march past by NCC cadets, the School Band, Student Leaders, Bharat Scouts and Guides, and house teams set the tone for the day. The lighting of the torch, oath-taking, and the official declaration of the sports meet open were solemn moments that added to the grandeur of the occasion.

Ms. Nandini L. G. delivered an inspiring speech on the importance of sports, while Ms. Leela Lakshmi Raju S. N., Academic Lead of The Oxford Group of Schools, spoke about its role in building teamwork, sportsmanship, and empathy. The day was packed with thrilling performances, including a disciplined Karate display by Grade 5 students and an energetic field Aerobic routine by Grade 7. The track and field events were filled with excitement, and the adorable participation of pre-primary students added a special charm. Parents also joined in with great enthusiasm, making the event even more memorable.

As the day concluded, trophies and medals were awarded to the best houses and individual champions. The event ended on a joyous note, celebrating victories and the true spirit of sportsmanship. It was a day of energy, perseverance, and camaraderie that will be cherished by all!





### NATIONAL MATHEMATICS DAY

"Mathematics is a poetry of logical ideas," said Albert Einstein, emphasizing the elegance and logic that numbers bring to our world. Every year, National Mathematics Day is celebrated on 22nd December to honor Srinivasa Ramanujan, the legendary Indian mathematician known for his groundbreaking 4,000 original theorems that continue to shape modern mathematics.

To mark this occasion, students gathered for a special assembly, highlighting the importance of mathematics in daily life. Through speeches and presentations, they explored the role of numbers, patterns, and logic in fields ranging from technology to nature. Some students also shared fascinating mathematical facts and puzzles, demonstrating how math is not just about equations but a fundamental part of everything around us.

The highlight of the day was an exciting Mathematics Quiz Competition, conducted by the senior students. The competition tested participants' mathematical reasoning, problem-solving skills, and quick thinking through a series of challenging rounds.

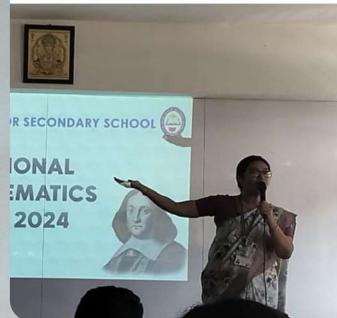
The quiz kept the audience engaged, with students cheering for their teams and eagerly attempting to solve the questions themselves. The competition was not just about winning but about fostering a deeper love for mathematics and encouraging analytical thinking.

The event concluded with a reminder of Ramanujan's contributions and the significance of mathematics in shaping our world. The enthusiasm and participation from students made the celebration a resounding success, leaving everyone inspired to explore the beauty of mathematics beyond the classroom.











# CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

Christmas, celebrated on December 25th, marks the birth of Jesus Christ and is a time of joy, togetherness, and festive cheer. The school was filled with Christmas spirit, as students and teachers came together to celebrate the occasion with enthusiasm.

The celebrations featured carol singing, a skit, and a musical play about the birth of Jesus, bringing to life the story of hope and love. The melodious carols created a warm and festive atmosphere, filling the hall with Christmas cheer. Pre-primary students, dressed in red, performed a lively Christmas dance, spreading joy with their adorable and energetic moves. Their performance was met with loud applause, making it one of the highlights of the event.

Our Principal, Mrs. Mala Banerjee, shared the significance of Christmas, encouraging students to embrace the values of kindness and unity. She spoke about the importance of love and compassion, reminding everyone that the true essence of Christmas lies in giving and sharing.

The celebrations continued throughout the week with CCA competitions such as cap making, tree decoration, and star making, which encouraged creativity and festive excitement. The beautifully decorated Christmas trees and handcrafted stars added to the festive charm of the school, making the celebrations even more special.

The event was a joyful experience for all, spreading warmth and happiness. The celebration ended on a high note, with students and teachers exchanging warm wishes. Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year 2025!











## SANKRANTI CELEBRATIONS

The school celebrated Sankranti with a special assembly, embracing the richness of our culture and traditions. The festival, which marks the harvest season and the transition of the sun into Capricorn, is a time of joy, gratitude, and togetherness. Students and teachers gathered to commemorate this occasion with enthusiasm, making it a memorable event for everyone.

The assembly began with a warm welcome, setting the stage for a morning filled with music, dance, and festivity. Students came together to showcase vibrant performances, each act reflecting the spirit of Sankranti. The energy was infectious as the audience cheered for the performers, who brought the essence of the festival to life through their songs, dances, and expressions of joy.

Traditional music played in the background, adding to the festive atmosphere. The beats of folk tunes and the rhythmic claps of the audience created a lively and engaging environment. The celebration was not just about performances but also about fostering a sense of community and cultural pride.

The event was a beautiful display of unity, as students from different grades participated, embracing the festival's spirit together. The bright and colorful decorations around the venue further enhanced the festive mood, making the occasion even more special.

As the performances came to an end, the celebration left a lasting impression on everyone present. The joy and enthusiasm shared that day reflected the true essence of Sankranti—a time of gratitude, togetherness, and new beginnings. It was a day that reminded everyone of the beauty of our traditions and the importance of celebrating them as a community.







# VALEDICTORY CEREMONY

The Valedictory Function is a significant milestone for every student, marking the end of a memorable chapter in their lives. This event offers a chance for introspection, celebration, and appreciation, as students reflect on their educational journey and all they have accomplished.

The Valedictory Ceremony for the academic year took place on January 24, 2025, and was a fitting tribute to the hard work and dedication of all students. The event was graced with remarkable performances, showcasing the talents of students in various fields. Additionally, awards were presented to students for their active participation and outstanding achievements in co-curricular activities, further highlighting their growth beyond academics.

A pivotal moment during the ceremony occurred when the student council badges were returned to the Principal. This act symbolized the transition of leadership from the outgoing council members to the incoming ones. It was a moment filled with pride and trust, as the leadership baton was passed, signifying the commencement of new responsibilities for the student council.

The ceremony was an emotional and inspiring occasion, bringing the school community together to bid farewell to the outgoing council while welcoming the new leaders who will guide the way in the coming year.







# REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATIONS

Republic Day is a momentous occasion that signifies the birth of our Republic and the adoption of the Constitution, marking the beginning of a new chapter in India's history. It is a day to honor the democratic values of justice, equality, and freedom that our nation upholds.

Our school celebrated Republic Day with immense pride and joy, bringing together students and teachers to commemorate this special day. The celebration featured a variety of performances, including dance routines, a skit, a song, and even a mime, all of which showcased the students' enthusiasm and love for the nation.

Students from all classes actively participated in this vibrant celebration, each contributing their talents to make the day memorable. Their performances were not only a celebration of India's culture and heritage but also a reflection of their deep respect for the values of the Republic.

The Republic Day assembly was more than just a ceremonial event; it was a dynamic and inspiring display of patriotism and national pride. It was an opportunity for students to reflect on the significance of the day, understanding the importance of the Indian Constitution, the rights and duties of citizens, and the unity that binds us all together.

As the celebrations concluded, there was a renewed sense of pride and gratitude for the freedoms we enjoy, and a collective commitment to upholding the values of democracy and justice in our daily lives.













## JYOTHI DAAN

In bidding farewell to the graduating class of 2023-24, The Oxford Senior Secondary School orchestrated a significant valedictory event named Jyothi Daan on the 8th of February, 2024. This auspicious day was marked by numerous solemn and poignant moments as students participated in their final and most cherished ceremony of the academic year. The bittersweet emotions of leaving behind their educational sanctuary while stepping into a new phase of life filled the atmosphere.

Commencing with a spiritual invocation dance presented by students from classes 9 and 11, the ceremony welcomed its distinguished chief guest, Smt. Rohini Sindhuri, IAS, Special Secretary, Food Processing and Harvest Technology, Agriculture Department, Government of Karnataka. She addressed the gathering with words of wisdom and encouragement, followed by inspiring speeches from other dignitaries.

The ceremony underscored the belief that every ending marks a new beginning. As a token of love and support, the school presented students with a special memento. Though farewells were tinged with emotion, these students will forever remain an integral part of the Oxford family.

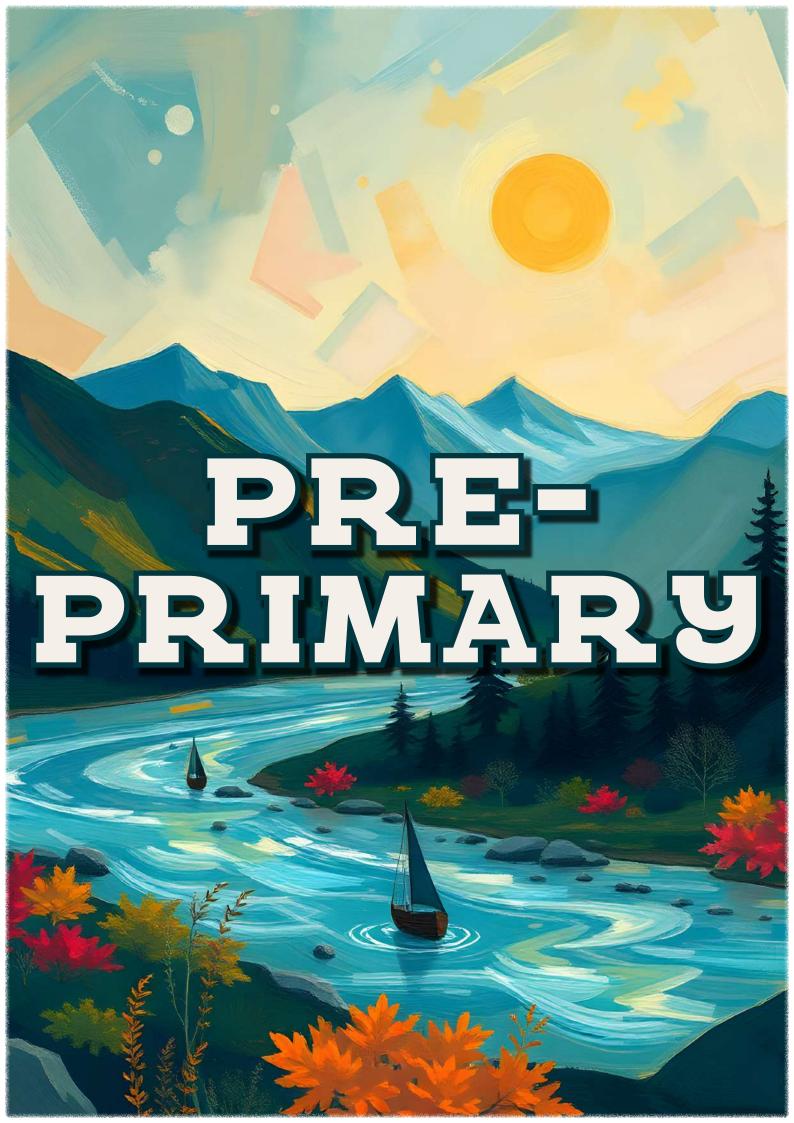
The event concluded with the symbolic distribution of the "Jyothi", a lamp representing the power of knowledge and the triumph of light over ignorance. With heartfelt wishes for success in their future endeavors, the departing Oxfordites were sent off with encouragement and cheers as they embarked on their next great adventure.











#### WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY

Our tiny tots celebrated the World Environment Day by engaging in various fun and educational activities. They thoroughly enjoyed all the activities and were began to comprehend the importance of nature and the necessity of being environmentally conscious.

#### YOGA DAY

Every year, International Yoga Day is celebrated on 21st June to enlighten and inculcate the importance of yoga and health.

Our pre-primary students celebrated International Yoga Day by practicing yogasanas to enrich the mind and the soul.

#### CHOCOLATE DAY

World Chocolate Day was eagerly celebrated by our Pre-Primary students on July 7th, 2024. Our tiny toddlers joyfully celebrated this special day by sharing these sweet delights with their friends and teachers.

#### INTERNATIONAL TIGER DAY

Our school celebrated International Tiger Day, a special occasion to learn about and protect tigers. The aim was to educate primary children about these amazing animals and the importance of preserving them. The students enjoyed fun activities where they learned about tiger habitats, their way of life, and how they can help protect them. Going forward, the children are excited to continue learning about how they can protect animals like tigers and the environment.

#### **HAPPINESS DAY**

Happiness Day for Pre-Primary students is a joyful occasion filled with smiles and fun moments. The goal is to spread laughter, love, and help the little ones appreciate the beauty of happiness and sharing it with others. Students engaged in fun activities promoting happiness and wore yellow dresses, a color symbolizing joy, sunshine, and positivity, perfect for the celebration.

#### INDEPENDENCE DAY

Independence Day, celebrated on August 15th, commemorates India's freedom from British rule in 1947. It's a time to reflect on the nation's journey, celebrate achievements, and reaffirm commitment to progress. The day brings Indians together to honor their national identity and work towards a brighter future.

#### FRIENDSHIP DAY

Our pre-primary students had fun celebrating Friendship Day, making it a day filled with smiles and joy! The classroom was abuzz with laughter and excitement as the children exchanged friendship bands. The event was a wonderful reminder of the importance of kindness and sharing. It was a day filled with cherished moments.

#### **SCIENCE EXHIBITION**

A science exhibition was held for primary students, showcasing their incredible efforts and knowledge in science and math. It was an inspiring and wonderful experience that truly highlighted their hard work and passion.

#### **CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION**

On December 24th, a lively Christmas celebration showcased a performance by primary students. The event included a variety of songs and a delightful dance, bringing joy to students, parents, and teachers. The festive atmosphere left attendees with lasting smiles.

#### SANKRANTI CELEBRATION

On January 13th, the Sankranti celebration at school brought joy to primary grade students as they learned about the festival's history and traditions. The celebration included activities like kite-making and craft workshops, allowing students to express their creativity. Students, teachers, and parents enjoyed the festive spirit together, with young minds embracing the spirit of Sankranti with enthusiasm.



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## **DEPRIVED**

Lost in the time of fiction,
A world of imperfection,
As time slowly passes, We cry in strife,
Experiencing death in life.

Slaving in the fields, Living in dread, The cost of our lives for the cost of bread, We sell our blood for grains of wheat, Ah! Happiness? What deceit.

A lavish party, a table full of delicacies, Food in their mouth, jewels in their hand, all because of their legacies, We toil every minute and still we eat in solitary, Yet they sleep on their thrones, their right to rule hereditary.

Jolly laughter, the clinking of glasses of wine, You take all from us, yet you call it mine, Your riches- a cuckoo's nest, Your excuse? A mere royal crest.

We're no longer blind, we're no longer your slaves,

The more the Devil has, the more he craves,

Your glory has ended, We will show you our wrath,

A massacre, that will be your rule's aftermath, You say it is your divine right to rule the nation, Is that so? Then ours' is to cause annihilation.

We're a bundle of rods which will slit your throat, Your death will be everyone's to gloat, We're a bundle of rods which will cut your neck, Let everyone see the havoc we can wreck.

Feel the pain as your pure- blood spills all over the place,

We will make sure that your body will be easy to trace,

So that everyone can see, the sky has fallen to the ground,

The very head, upon which you were crowned.

Let us walk, Let us walk,
Only the Impure,
We have done a deed, that history will talk,
They will know the pain that we had to endure.

~ Sai Vamshika P - XII A

### A NEW DAY

The darkness has gone, Sun has arrived, Open your curtains, For the bright light.

Wake up now,
Past has gone,
Birds are chirping,
And flowers are blooming.

Sit under the tree,
Let the cool air come,
Within the stroke of happiness,
And positively with you.
Sit of to work,
With the peace in you,
Be happy now,
Because the day is new.

~ Manikala Sailusha - X B

### **CHANGING SOCIETY**

In the canvas of vast sky, onto the blank clouds, we painted our vision, fear, and pain by the tree's sprouts.

The water of joy will drench the soulful seeds, leading to hearts filled with creed.

But nowadays, it's a Utopian vision, because everyone has developed a so-called prison, where they fight for their selfish missions.

~ Sagar Kumar - XI A

### A GIRL IS LIKE A BIRD

A girl is like a bird Gods most prettiest creation in the world.

The childhood of girls is their golded age After that the world keeps them in a beautiful cage.

This innocent creature looks like a family who loves her feathers when she gets marry...
She leads all her life in serving others.

She also has a heart.

But none bothers.

A dress of happiness and pleasure she wears. But in every corner, you find a girl, shedding tears....

~ Fasiha Israr - VII A

### **NATURE**

Nature is the physical world and everything in it that is not made by people.

Nature is a source of our survival, providing us with food, water, air, sunlight and other necessities.

Nature is beautiful with its freshness, openness, slow breeze and warm sun. anything that we feel around us is nature.

Nature is gods best gift to us.

Life is not possible without nature.

Nature is made up of everything around us.

~ B.V. Ganavi - VII A

### SEASON

Spring arrives with flowers bright, Warming days and softer light.

Birds sing songs, and trees turn green. The whole world wakes, fresh and clean.

Summer follows hot and long, Sunshine bold and days too strong.

He swim's, we play from dawn to night, In golden warmth and skies so bright.

Winter is here with frosty air, Snowflakes drifting everywhere.

We bundle up with clothes and feel the peace in fields and yards.

Each season brings its own delight, Changing day and changing night.

They dance one by one, a cycle endless and never finished and done.

~ Mohammed Ayan Bin Meraj - VI B

### STORY OF A SOLDIER

A seylem Soul Breathing fire Conquering fear and this himself Determined to fight Enchanting and energetic Fanatic on the battlefield Guts with iron fists Heart of a lion Including hope from within Jagged path Kin apart Loneliness whatsoever Murky Land No comforite Quenches his thirst by blood Puts hu heart and soul **Qrepresent enemies** Rests on mud Singing the song of courage Toning death to martyrdom Under the sacred land he dier. A Soldier.

~ Nimisha D - VIII C

### THE SILENT STRENGTH OF NATURE

A leaf sways gentle in the sun's embrace, Simple yet vital, full of quite grace.

It fights through the shadow reaching for light The giver of light, hidden in plain sight.

Life, like a leaf, may seem modest and small Yet it is often unnoticed that it supports one and all.

In nature's magic true beauty is found, In the silent strength of the meek all around.

~ Devananda D - XI A

## THE QUEST FOR ORIGINALITY

For in our readers, kind and wise, our work, originality lies! With simple hearts, we strive and rise, our efforts pure, no disguise!

Guide us with your knowing eyes, together, our spirits will harmonize!!

Our journey's filled with shining light, With simplicity, our guiding might.

Appreciate us, our work's delight, As we aim for greater heights.

Aditya Kumar & Students of XII A Through this poem, we want to symbolise that beauty and charisma does not only come with colors, but with emotions and originality!

## मङ्गलम्

यथा द्योश्च पृथ्वी च न बिभितो न रिष्यत: एव मे प्राण मा बिभेः यथा हश्च रात्रि च न बिभितो न रिष्यत: यथा सूर्यश्च चन्द्रश्च न बिभितो न रिष्यत: एवा मे प्राण मा बिभेः यथा सत्यं चानृत्यं च न बिभितो न रिष्यत: एवा मे प्राण मा बिभेः

~ M N Sreekala, VIII A

### बचपन

क्दरत ने जो दिया मुझे, है अनमोल खजाना ! कितना सुगम सलोना वो ,ये मुश्किल कह पाना !! दमक रहा ऐसे मानो, सोने सा बचपन फिक्र।! फिक्र नहीं कल की न किसी से सिकवा गिला!! मित्रों की जब टोली निकले, क्या खाये, बिन खाये!! बड़े चाव से ऐसे चलते, मानो जंग जीत कर आये!! कोमल हाथों से बलखाकर, जब करते आतिशबाजी! घुंघरू बांधे हुआ पैर पर तब चलती खुशियों की आँधी !! उन्हें देख माँ की ममता का, उमड़ रहा सैलाब ! मन मंदिर महका रहा बगिया का खिला ग्लाब !

~ Madiha Khanum - IX A

## कोशिश कर

कोशिश कर हल निकलेगा। आज नहीं तो, कल निकलेगा। अर्जुन तीर साध, मरुस्थल से भी जल निकलेगा। मेहनत कर, पौधों को पानी है वंजर जमीन से भी फूल निकलेगा। ताकतजुटा, हिम्मत को आग, फ़ौलाद का भी बल निकलेगा। ज़िंदा रख दिल में उम्मीदों को, गरल के समन्दर से भी गंगाजल निकलेगा कोशिशें जारी रख कुछ कर गुजरने को, आज धमा-धम सा चल निकलेगा।

~ Chaitanya Gupta - VI B

## प्लास्टिक प्रदूषण

प्लास्टिक प्रदूषण प्लास्टिक के बिखराव से उत्पन्न होता है। आज के समय में यह विकराल रूप धारण कर चुका है और दिन-प्रतिदिन यह बढ़ता ही जा रहा है। यह हमारे इस खूबस्रत ग्रह पर भी कई प्रकार के नकारात्मक प्रभाव डालता है जिससे यह जनजीवन के लिए एक गंभीर संकट बन गया है। यही कारण है कि आज प्लास्टिक प्रदूषण एक वैश्विक चिंता का विषय बन चुका है। इन उपायों को अपने दैनिक जीवन में अपनाकर हम प्लास्टिक प्रदूषण को कम करने में महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका निभा सकते हैं।

उपयोग न करना

फलतः प्लास्टिक प्रदूषण को रोकने के लिए सबसे महत्वपूर्ण कदम यह है कि हमें प्लास्टिक के उपयोग से बचना चाहिए। क्योंकि अब हम इनके उपयोग के आदि हो चुके हैं तथा यह काफी सस्ते भी हैं। इसलिए हम इनके उपयोग को पूरी तरह से बंद नहीं कर सकते हैं। प्लास्टिक उपयोग न करने के लिए इको-फ्रेंडली विकल्प उपलब्ध हैं। जैसे कि उदाहरण के लिए, बाज़ार से सामान खरीदते समय हम प्लास्टिक बैग के जगह पर हम जूट, कपड़े या पेपर से बने बैगों का इस्तेमाल कर सकते हैं।

~ Gopika G - IX B

## चुटकुले

एक दिन राजू ने अपने पापा से पूछा "पापा पापा।" "क्या हुआ?" परेशान होकर पापा ने पूछा। "पापा, पानी कहाँ से आता है?", पापा ने बताया "नदी से, बेटा" । अगले दिन, पापा राजू को नदी के किनारे ले गए । वहाँ, राजू ने पापा को पानी में धकेल दिया।

फिर वह घर पहुँचा। उसकी मम्मी ने पूछा, " तेरे पिता कहाँ चले गए?", राजू ने जबाव दिया" नल खोल दो पापा आएँगे।"

दो दोस्त थे, कुमार और सुरेश, सुरेश ने कहा "अरे कुमार। कल मैंने एक रॉकेट बनाया था। फिर क्या हुआ जानते हो?" कुमार ने पूछा "क्या?", सुरेश ने कहा "वह जाकर सुरज से टकरा गया और मुझे पीटा गया।" पर पीटा किसने? "कुमार ने पूछा, सुरेश ने कहा यार। सुरज की मम्मी ने।

एक बहन ने प्यार से अपने भाई से कहा, "भाई, तु जहाँ भी जाएगा, मेरी छाया हमेशा तेरे साथ रहेगी।", भाई ने कहा, "मुझे पता था, कि तु भूत हैं, मेरा पीछा कभी नहीं छोड़ेगी।"

टीचर ने बच्चों को गाय के ऊपर अनुच्छेद लिखनेको कहा था। उन्होंने लिखा "गाय हमारी माता हैं, हमको कुछ नहीं आता हैं।"। तो टीचर ने बदले के लिए लिखा "बेल हमारा बाप हैं। मॉरक्स देना पाप हैं।"

~ Anushka Das - VII B

### ಮಹಾ ಕುಂಭ ಮೇಳ

ಮಹಾ ಕುಂಭಮೇಳ (ಪವಿತ್ರ ಹೂಜಿಯ ಹಬ್ಬ) ಹಿಂದೂ ಪುರಾಣಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಆಧಾರವಾಗಿದೆ. ಇದು ವಿಶ್ವದ ಅತಿದೊಡ್ಡ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಸಭೆ ಮತ್ತು ನಂಬಿಕೆಯ ಸಾಮೂಹಿಕ ಕಾರ್ಯವಾಗಿದೆ.

ಪ್ರಯಾಗರಾಜದ ಕುಂಬಮೇಳವು ಭಾರತೀಯ ಸಂಸ್ಕೃತಿಯ ಪ್ರಮುಖ ಹಬ್ಬಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಒಂದಾಗಿದೆ. ಪ್ರತಿವರ್ಷವೂ ಅಥವಾ ವಿಶೇಷ ವರ್ಷಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ನಡೆಯುವ ಈ ಮಹಾಉತ್ಸವವು ಗಂಗಾ, ಯಮುನಾ ಹಾಗೂ ಸರಸ್ವತಿ ನದಿಗಳ ಸಂಗಮ ಸ್ಥಾನದಾದ ರಾಜದಲ್ಲಿ ಆಯೋಜಿಸಲಾಗುತ್ತದೆ. ಇಲ್ಲಿ ಲಕ್ಷಾಂತರ ಧರ್ಮಪ್ರಿಯರು ತಾಜಾ ಪವಿತ್ರತೆಯನ್ನು ಪಡೆಯಲು ಸನ್ಯಾಸಮಾಡಲು, ಸ್ನಾನ ಮಾಡಲು ಮತ್ತು ಭಕ್ತಿಯ ಮೂಲಕ ಮನಸ್ಸನ್ನು ಶುದ್ಧಪಡಿಸಲು ಬರುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಕುಂಬಮೇಳವು ಹಿಂದೂ ಧರ್ಮದ ಪವಿತ್ರ ಸಂಪ್ರದಾಯಗಳು, ಧಾರ್ಮಿಕ ಉತ್ಸವಗಳು ಮತ್ತು ದೇಶಾದ್ಯಾಂತ ಭಕ್ತರೊಬ್ಬಾಗುವಿಕೆಯ ಸಮಾವೇಶವಾಗಿದೆ.

ಕುಂಭಮೇಳವು ನಿಜಕ್ಕೂ ಅದ್ಭುತ ಅನುಭವ. ಇದು ಭಾರತೀಯ ಜನರ ಆಳವಾಗಿ ಬೇರೂರಿರುವ ನಂಬಿಕೆ ಮತ್ತು ಆಧ್ಯಾತ್ಮಿಕತೆಗೆ ಸಾಕ್ಷಿಯಾಗಿದೆ. ಇದು ಚಿಂತನೆಗೆ, ಆಶೀರ್ವಾದಗಳನ್ನು ಪಡೆಯಲು ಮತ್ತು ಸಾಮೂಹಿಕ ನಂಬಿಕೆಯ ಶಕ್ತಿಯನ್ನು ಅನುಭವಿಸಲು ಒಂದು ಸಮಯ.

~ S P Sailesh Adithiya - VII A

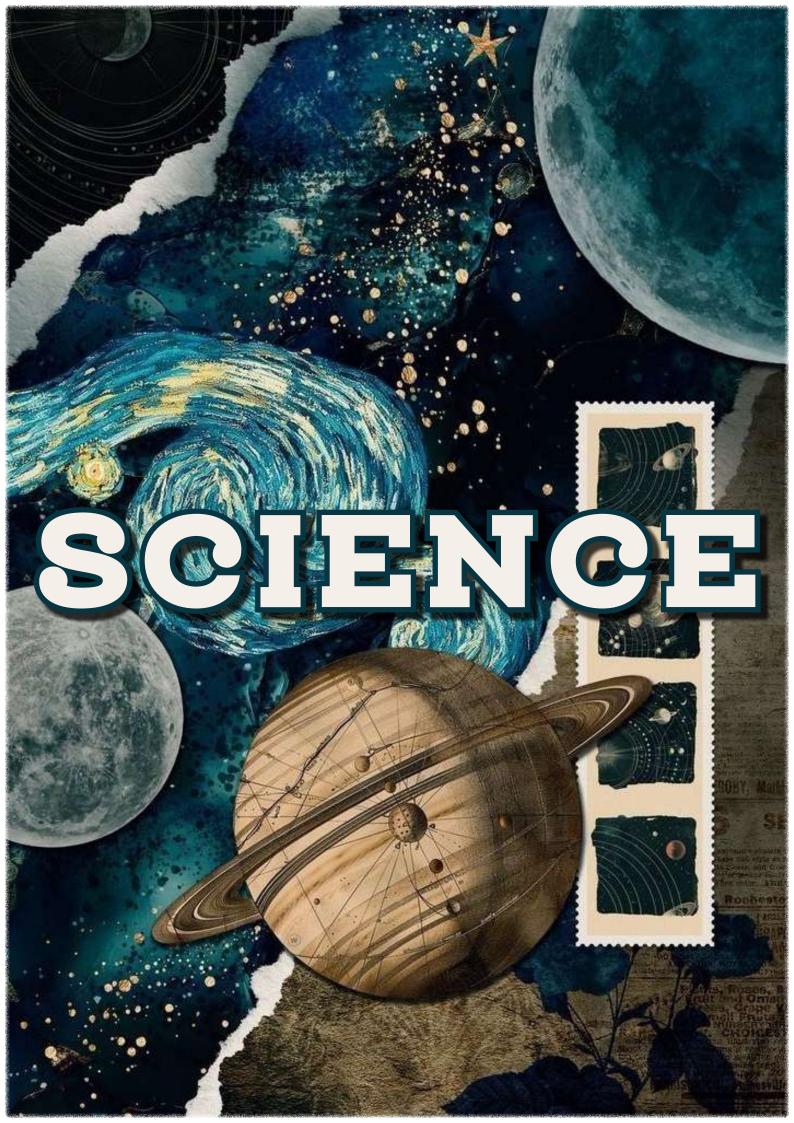
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ಸಿಂಗನಲ್ಲೂರು ಪುಟ್ಟಸ್ವಾಮಯ್ಯ ಮುತ್ತುರಾಜ್ (ಡಾ. ರಾಜ್ಕುಮಾರ್), 24 ಏಪ್ರಿಲ್ 1929 - 12 ಏಪ್ರಿಲ್ 2006, ಕನ್ನಡ ಚಿತ್ರರಂಗದ ಬಹುಮುಖ್ಯ ನಟ ಮತ್ತು ಗಾಯಕರಾಗಿದ್ದರು. ಅವರು ಭಾರತೀಯ ಚಿತ್ರರಂಗದಲ್ಲಿ ಶ್ರೇಷ್ಠ ಮತ್ತು ಬಹುಮುಖ ನಟರಾಗಿ ಪರಿಗಣಿಸಲಾಗುತ್ತಾರೆ. 'ನಟ ಸರ್ವಭೌಮ', 'ಬಂಗಾರದ ಮನುಷ್ಯ', 'ಗಾನ ಗಂಧರ್ವ', 'ಕನ್ನಡದ ಕಂಠೀರವ' ಮತ್ತು 'ರಾಜಣ್ಣ/ಅಣ್ಣಾವ್ರು' ಎಂಬ ಶಿರೋನಾಮಗಳಿಂದ ಜಾನಪದವಾಗಿದ್ದಾರೆ.

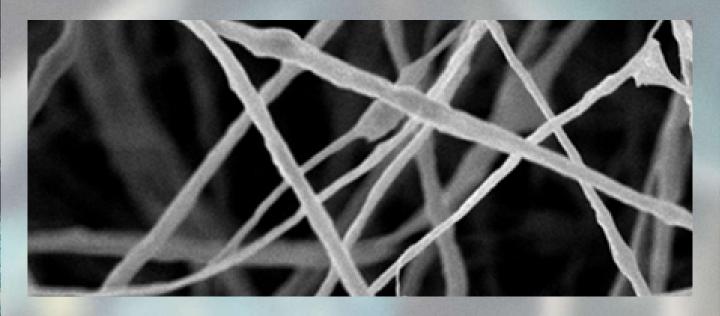
ಅವರು 1983 ರಲ್ಲಿ ಪದ್ಮಭೂಷಣ ಪ್ರಶಸ್ತಿಯನ್ನು ಮತ್ತು 1995 ರಲ್ಲಿ ದಾದಾಸಾಹೇಬ್ ಫಾಲ್ಕೆ ಪ್ರಶಸ್ತಿಯನ್ನು ಪಡೆದಿದ್ದಾರೆ. 39 ಚಲನಚಿತ್ರಗಳನ್ನು 9 ಭಾಷೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ರೂಪಾಂತರಗೊಳಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ ಮತ್ತು 50ಕ್ಕಿಂತ ಹೆಚ್ಚು ರೀಮೇಕ್ ಆಗಿವೆ. ಡಾ. ರಾಜ್ ಕುಮಾರ್ ಅವರು ಜೀಮ್ಸ್ ಬಾಂಡ್ ಆಧಾರಿತ ಪಾತ್ರವನ್ನು ಪೂರ್ಣ ಪ್ರಮಾಣದಲ್ಲಿ ನಟಿಸಿದ ಭಾರತದ ಮೊದಲ ನಟರಾಗಿದ್ದಾರೆ.

ಅವರ ಚಿತ್ರ ಜೇದಾರ ಬೇಳೆ ಭಾರತೀಯ ಚಿತ್ರರಂಗದಲ್ಲಿ 'ದೇಶಿ ಬಾಂಡ್' ಪ್ರಕಾರವನ್ನು ಪ್ರಚಲಿತಗೊಳಿಸಲು ಪ್ರೇರೇಪಿಸಿತು. ಫೋರ್ಬ್ಸ್ ಮಾಸಿಕ ಪತ್ರಿಕೆಯು 2013 ರಲ್ಲಿ ಅವರ ಅಭಿನಯವನ್ನು "ಭಾರತೀಯ ಸಿನೆಮಾದ 25 ಶ್ರೇಷ್ಠ ನಟನಾ ಪ್ರದರ್ಶನಗಳು" ಪಟ್ಟಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸೇರಿಸಿತ್ತು. ಅವರ ಮರಣದ ನಂತರ, ದಿ ನ್ಯೂಯಾರ್ಕ್ ಟೈಮ್ಸ್ ಅವರು ಭಾರತದಲ್ಲಿ ಅತ್ಯಂತ ಜನಪ್ರಿಯ ಚಲನಚಿತ್ರ ತಾರೆಯರಲ್ಲಿ ಒಬ್ಬರಾಗಿ ಪರಿಗಣಿಸಿದ್ದಾರೆ.

~ Anshik VIII B



### CELLULOSE NANOFIBERS



The KTH Royal Institute of Technology in Sweden has developed a super-strong, biodegradable material using cellulose nanofibers from wood.

The unique nanostructure of the material provides a tensile stiffness of 86 gigapascals and a tensile strength of 1.57 gigapascals—eight times stiffer than spider silk, considered the strongest biomaterial, and stronger than steel on a weight basis.

This lightweight material could be an eco-friendly substitute for plastic.

~ S.M.A Matheen - XI A

## CHEMISTRY: THE SECRET SAUCE BEHIND EVERY DAY MAGIC

Chemistry might sound complicated, but it's actually what makes everyday life amazing. From your favourite snacks to the gadgets you use, chemistry is working its magic behind the scenes. Let's explore some cool chemistry in action!

### 1. Popcorn: The Explosive Snack

When you heat popcorn, the water inside each kernel turns to steam, builds pressure, and POPS! Chemistry turns tiny kernels into a tasty snack.

#### 2. Fizzy Drinks: The Bubble Trick

Ever wondered how soda gets its bubbles? It's carbon dioxide gas. When you open the can, the pressure releases the gas, creating fizzy bubbles that rise to the top!

### 3. Rainbows: Light's Magical Split

Rainbows happen when sunlight bends and splits into different colors. Each color bends at a different angle, creating that beautiful spectrum we see in the sky.

4. Hand Warmers: Heat On Demand
Inside hand warmers, iron reacts with oxygen to

produce heat, keeping your hands warm on cold days. Chemistry is literally heating things up!

#### 5. Soap and Water: Clean Team

Soap molecules are superheroes. One side loves water, the other side grabs grease and dirt, helping wash everything away. Teamwork at its finest!

### 6. Fireworks: Chemistry in the Sky

The vibrant colors in fireworks come from different metals burning at specific temperatures. Each metal creates a unique color, thanks to chemistry!

~ Shri Haridhra S - XI A

### **BLACK HOLES**

Black holes—nature's most mysterious and powerful objects—are cosmic regions where gravity is so intense that nothing, not even light, can escape. Born from the remnants of massive stars, they form when a star collapses under its own gravity, creating a point of infinite density known as a singularity.

Surrounding this singularity is the event horizon, a boundary beyond which no information can return. Anything crossing this point is lost to the depths of spacetime. But black holes aren't just cosmic vacuum cleaners; they shape galaxies, influence time, and even emit powerful radiation through processes like Hawking radiation.

One of the most famous black holes, Sagittarius A\*, sits at the heart of our Milky Way, quietly anchoring our galaxy. Scientists continue to study black holes using space telescopes and simulations, unlocking the secrets of these enigmatic voids. As we gaze deeper into the universe, black holes remind us how much we have yet to discover.

~ Shreesha Prasad - X D

### QUANTUM COMPUTING

This article explores the cutting edge field of quantum computing, offering an in depth look at how quantum mechanics is transforming technology and could change our world.

What is quantum computing? A beginneration of quantum bits and how they differ from classical computing.

Solving complex problems: How quantum computers could revolutionize fields like cryptography, drug discovery, and climate modelling by solving problems too complex for traditional computers.

Quantum internet: The development of a quantum internet that could offer unprecedented security and speed.

Quantum Al: How combining quantum computing with ai could lead to breakthrough in machine learning and problem solving.

The future of technology: What breakthrough might be possible in the next upcoming years as quantum computing evolves from simulating molecules to exploring space and time.

~ G T Giri Akash IX B

### RISE OF BIO-HACKING

This article can dive into the fascinating and sometimes controversial world of bio hacking, where technology is integrated into human body to enhance physical and mental abilities –

Wearable tech & implants: from fitness trackers to advanced neural implants that can monitor brain activity or enhance sensory perception.

Gene editing & CRISPR: the potential of gene editing technology to cure diseases, extend human lifespan, or even improve physical traits.

Cyborgs & prosthetics: the merging of robotics and biology to create prosthetics that feel and function like real limbs, or even enhancements that go beyond human capabilities

Ethical implications: exploring the moral dilemmas of bio-hacking, such as the risks of designer babies and the question of what it means to be human when technology can alter the body.

Transhumanism: the future vision of humans evolving through technology possibly leading to a new era of human existence.

~ G T Giri Akash IX B

## THE FUTURE OF SCIENCE

Science and technology have always been the bedrock of human progress. From the discovery of fire, to the creation of artificial intelligence, each advancement has shaped our world in unimaginable ways.

As we stand on the brink of the future, let's explore some revolutionary technologies that are set to transform our lives

- 1. Artificial Intelligence (AI): The Brain of the Future AI is no longer a concept from science fiction; it's a reality shaping industries worldwide. AI-powered tools like ChatGPT are enhancing communication, while self-driving cars are poised to revolutionize transportation. In healthcare, AI assists doctors in diagnosing diseases with incredible accuracy, while in education, personalized learning platforms adapt to the needs of individual students. The potential of AI is limitless, and its integration into daily life is only beginning.
- 2. Space Exploration: Beyond the Blue Planet
  The dream of becoming a multi-planetary species is closer than ever. Missions like NASA's Artemis program aim to establish a sustainable human
  presence on the Moon, serving as a launchpad for
  Mars exploration.

Private companies like SpaceX are making space travel more accessible, while ISRO continues to amaze the world with cost-effective and innovative missions. In the near future, space tourism and asteroid mining could become everyday realities.

## 3. Green Technologies: Paving the Way for Sustainability

With climate change posing an existential threat, green technologies are becoming a necessity. Solar panels, wind turbines, and electric vehicles are leading the charge toward renewable energy. Innovations like vertical farming and lab-grown meat are reshaping agriculture and food production. These technologies promise a future where growth and sustainability coexist.

### 4. Quantum Computing: Unlocking Unimaginable Power

Quantum computers, with their ability to perform complex calculations at unprecedented speeds, are set to solve problems that today's supercomputers can't. From cryptography to drug discovery, quantum computing will revolutionize industries and open doors to new scientific discoveries.

#### 5. Biomedical Breakthroughs: A New Era in Healthcare

Gene-editing technologies like CRISPR are enabling scientists to cure genetic disorders, while advancements in 3D bioprinting are creating artificial organs for transplants. Wearable devices

and telemedicine are making healthcare more accessible and personalized. The fusion of biology and technology is extending human lifespan and improving the quality of life.

#### The Role of Young Innovators

The future of science is bright, but it's not without challenges. As we embrace these advancements, ethical considerations and responsible innovation are paramount. The torch of progress will soon pass to today's youth, who will drive these technologies forward.

~ Ritwik Chawda, XII A

# FACTS & PUZZLES

## **BRAIN TEASER**

Digit Detector: Use the following clues to find the mystery number. What is the least number of clues needed to be certain of its value?

(The clues must be done in order)

- 1. The number is a three-digit number.
- 2. The number is odd.
- 3. The number is divisible by 5.
- 4. Each of the digits is different.
- 5. The digits add up to 8.
- 6. The tens digit is smaller than the hundreds digit.
- 7. The number is less than 300.
- 8. The number has only one even digit.
- ~ Pranav Raj XI A

### **DID YOU KNOW**

Did you know that sea otters hold hands while sleeping to keep from drifting apart in the water?

Did you know that the longest hiccupping spree lasted 68 years? Charles Osborne, an American man, had hiccups for almost seven decades!

Did you know that a day on Venus is longer than a year on Venus? Venus takes 243 Earth days to rotate on its axis but only 225 Earth days to orbit the Sun.

Did you know that there is a species of jellyfish called Turritopsis dohrnii that is biologically immortal? It can reverse its aging process and essentially start its life cycle anew.

Did you know that honey never spoils? Archaeologists have found pots of honey in ancient Egyptian tombs that are over 3,000 years old and still perfectly edible!

Did you know that an octopus has three hearts? Two hearts pump blood to the gills, while the third pumps it to the rest of the body.

Did you know that the Eiffel Tower can grow taller in the summer? The metal expands in the heat, making the tower about 6 inches taller.

### **FUN FACTS**

- > There are more bacterial cells in your body than human cells.
- > The average human body is around 56% bacteria.
- > There's a planet mostly made of diamonds! The planet is called 55 Cancri e. A diamond from this planet is worth 26.9 nonillion dollars.
- > Platypuses secrete milk through their skin because they don't have teats. The milk pools on their fur, allowing the young to lap it up. However, platypuses do not sweat, as they are aquatic animals and regulate their body temperature differently
- > Australia is wider than the moon!
- > Google Images was created after Jennifer Lopez wore the green dress at the 2000 Grammy Awards.
- > There were active volcanoes on the moon when dinosaurs were alive.
- > All clown fish are born male and can become female later in life.
- ~ Manikala Sailusha X A

### RIDDLES

Riddle: What Two Things Can Never Be Eaten For

**Breakfast?** 

**Answer: Lunch And Dinner** 

Riddle: What Has A Face And Two Hands But No

Arms Or Legs? Answer: A Clock

Riddle: What Tastes Better Than It Smells?

**Answer: A Tongue** 

Riddle: What Kind Of Room Has No Doors Or Win-

dows?

**Answer: A Mushroom** 

Riddle: What Is Orange And Sounds Like A Parrot?

**Answer: A Carrot** 

Riddle: What Do Alexander The Great And Winnie

The Pooh Have In Common? Answer: Same Middle Name

Riddle: During What Month Do The People Sleep

The Least?

Answer: February, It Is The Shortest Month

Riddle: What Is A Chicken's Favourite Vegetable?

Answer: An Eggplant.

~ Adrita Malik IX A

## ECLECTIC EXPRESSIONS

### SELF HEALING GEL

A gel material made from aminopropyl methacrylamide (APMA) polymer, glucose, glucose oxidase, and chloroplasts continuously reacts with carbon dioxide from the air to expand and become stronger over time.

It is the first carbon-fixing material to exist outside of biological beings. "Making a material that can access the abundant carbon all around us is a significant opportunity for materials science", said lead researcher Michael Strano, professor of chemical engineering at MIT.

~ S.M.A Matheen - XI A

### MATH IN MUSIC

Music and mathematics, two seemingly disparate art forms, have been intertwined for centuries. From the intricate patterns of rhythm to the harmonic structures of melody, mathematics plays a vital role in the creation and composition of music. This article explores the fascinating connections between maths and music, revealing the hidden harmonies that govern the world of sound.

#### **Mathematical Patterns in Music**

- Rhythm and Meter: Music's rhythmic patterns are based on mathematical concepts like fractions, ratios, and symmetry. Time signatures, such as 4/4 or 3/4, dictate the rhythmic structure of a piece.
- Frequency and Pitch: Sound waves' frequencies correspond to mathematical ratios. The harmonic series, derived from integer multiples of a fundamental frequency, forms the basis of Western music's 12-tone scale.
- Symmetry and Group Theory: Music's structural symmetry is rooted in group theory, which describes transformations and patterns.

### **Mathematical Concepts in Music Theory**

- Intervals and Ratios: Musical intervals (e.g., major second, perfect fifth) are defined by frequency ratios (e.g., 9:8, 3:2).

- Chord Progressions: Mathematical patterns govern chord progressions, such as the cycle of fifths  $(C \to G \to D \to A \to E \to B \to F\# \to C)$ .
- Fractals and Self-Similarity: Musical patterns repeat at different scales, exhibiting fractal properties.

### The Beauty of Mathematical Music

- Geometry of Sound: Cymatics visualize sound waves' mathematical patterns, revealing intricate shapes and symmetries.
- Mathematical Composition: Composers like Steve Reich and Philip Glass employ mathematical concepts to create innovative music.
- Algorithmic Music: Computers generate music using mathematical algorithms, pushing the boundaries of musical creativity.

Mathematics and music share a profound connection, with mathematical concepts underlying the very fabric of sound. By exploring this harmony of numbers, we gain a deeper appreciation for the beauty and complexity of music.

~ Prutha Sameer Sakurikar - XI A

## FATE OF THE ARK OF THE COVENANT

In 587 B.C. a Babylonian army, under King Nebuchadnezzar II, conquered Jerusalem, sacking the city and destroying the First Temple, a building used by the Jewish people to worship God.

The First Temple contained the Ark of the Covenant, which carried tablets recording the Ten Commandments.

The fate of the ark is unclear. Ancient sources indicate that the ark was either carried back to Babylon or hidden before the city was captured. It's also possible that the ark was destroyed during the city's sacking. In any event, the ark's location is unknown.

Since the disappearance, a number of stories and legends about the ark's fate have been told. One story suggests the ark eventually made its way to Ethiopia, where it is kept today.

Another story says the ark was divinely hidden and will not appear until a messiah arrives.

~ Mohammed Aaqib Khote - XI A

### **TIME TRAVEL**

Imagine being able to hop into a time machine, zooming back to the past to witness historical events firsthand, or fast-forwarding to the future to see how your life unfolds. Sounds like something straight out of a movie, right? Time travel has been one of the most mind-boggling concepts in science fiction, from Back to the Future to Doctor Who. But is it just a cool plot device, or could time travel actually be possible? Let's dive into the mystery.

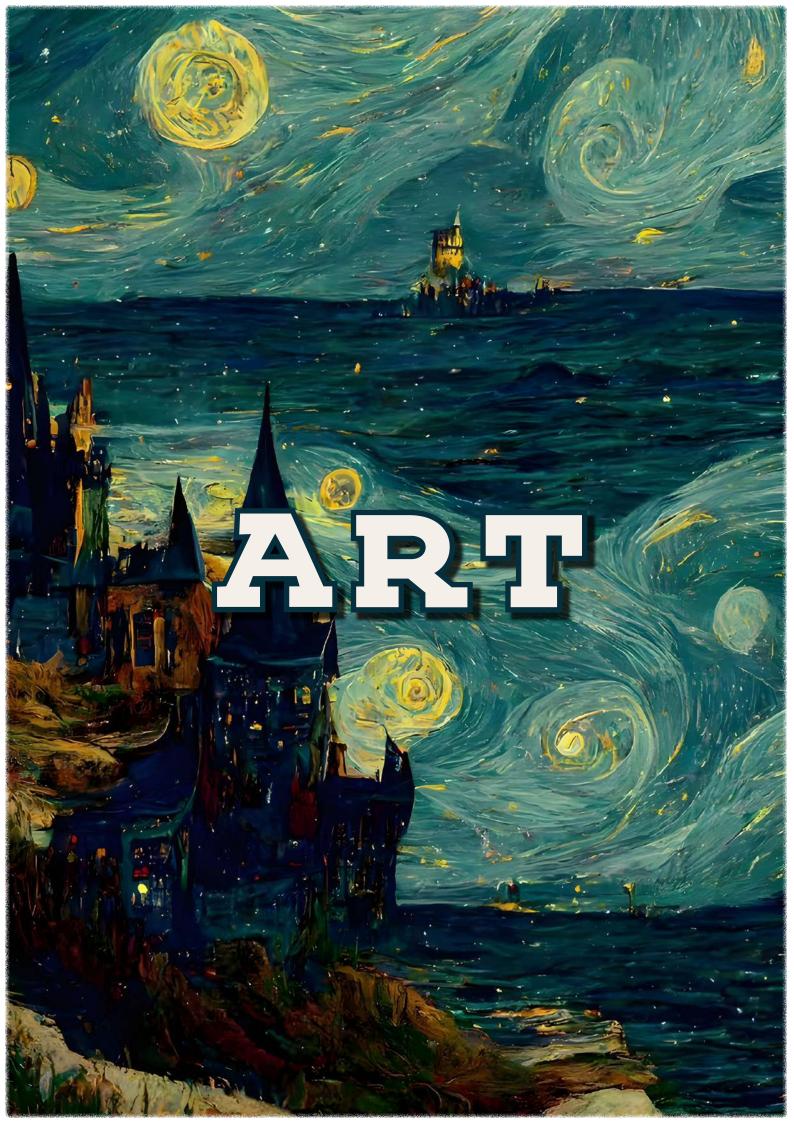
Time travel isn't as far-fetched as it sounds—at least not for scientists. According to Albert Einstein's theory of relativity, time isn't a fixed thing. If you were to travel close to the speed of light or hang out near a black hole, time could actually slow down or warp! That means, theoretically, you could experience time differently than someone on Earth. In fact, astronauts on the International Space Station experience a tiny bit of time travel—they age just a fraction slower than people on Earth due to their speed. Pretty wild, right?

But here's the catch: while these ideas sound cool in theory, the technology to make real time travel happen is still out of our reach. There are also paradoxes that make it tricky. What if you went back in time and accidentally changed something important, like stopping your parents from meeting?

Would that erase you from existence? This "grand-father paradox" is just one of the many puzzles scientists are still trying to solve. So, until someone figures out how to build a functioning time machine (and avoid erasing the space-time continuum), we're stuck watching time-travel movies instead of living them.

In the end, time travel remains a captivating idea that sparks our imagination. While it may still be the stuff of sci-fi, who knows what the future holds? Maybe one day, we'll get to step into a time machine and make our own history—or future! Until then, time travel will stay a fun topic to dream about.

~ Keerthi Arunachalam - XI A





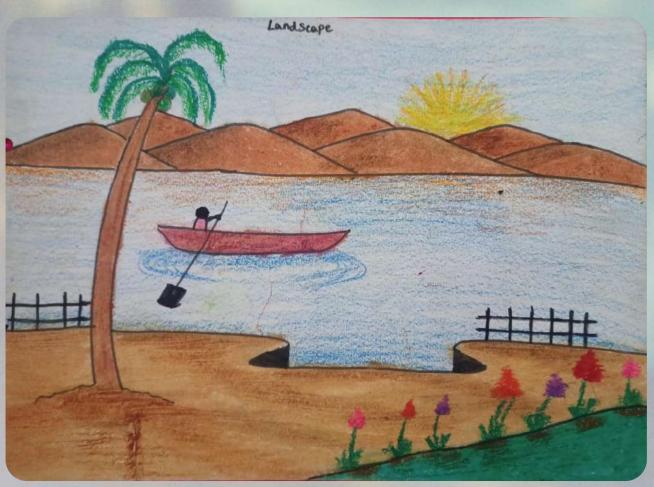
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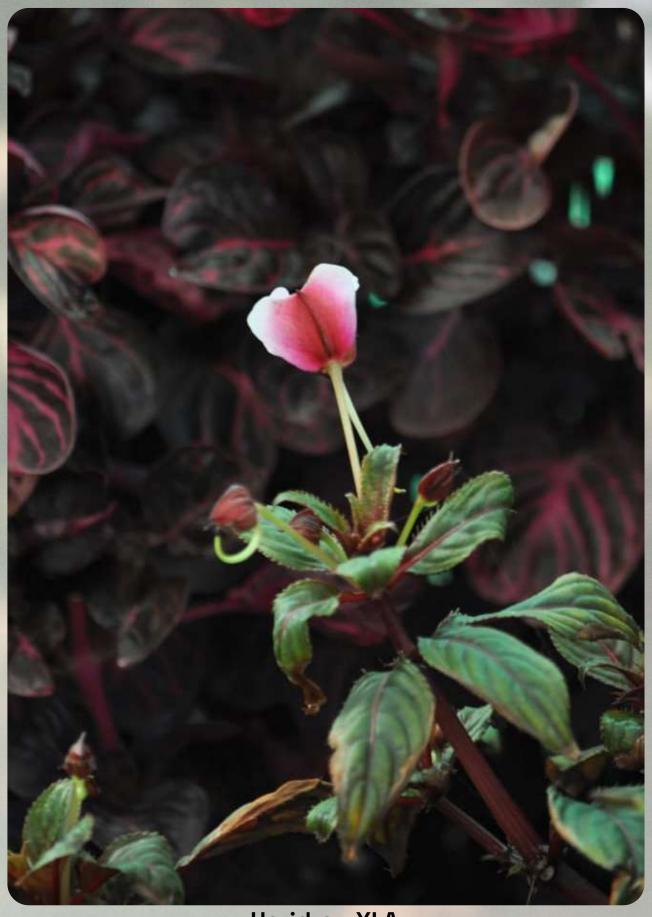


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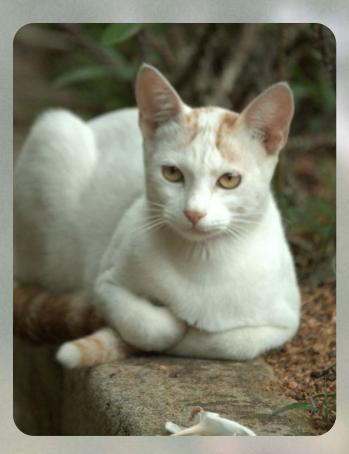


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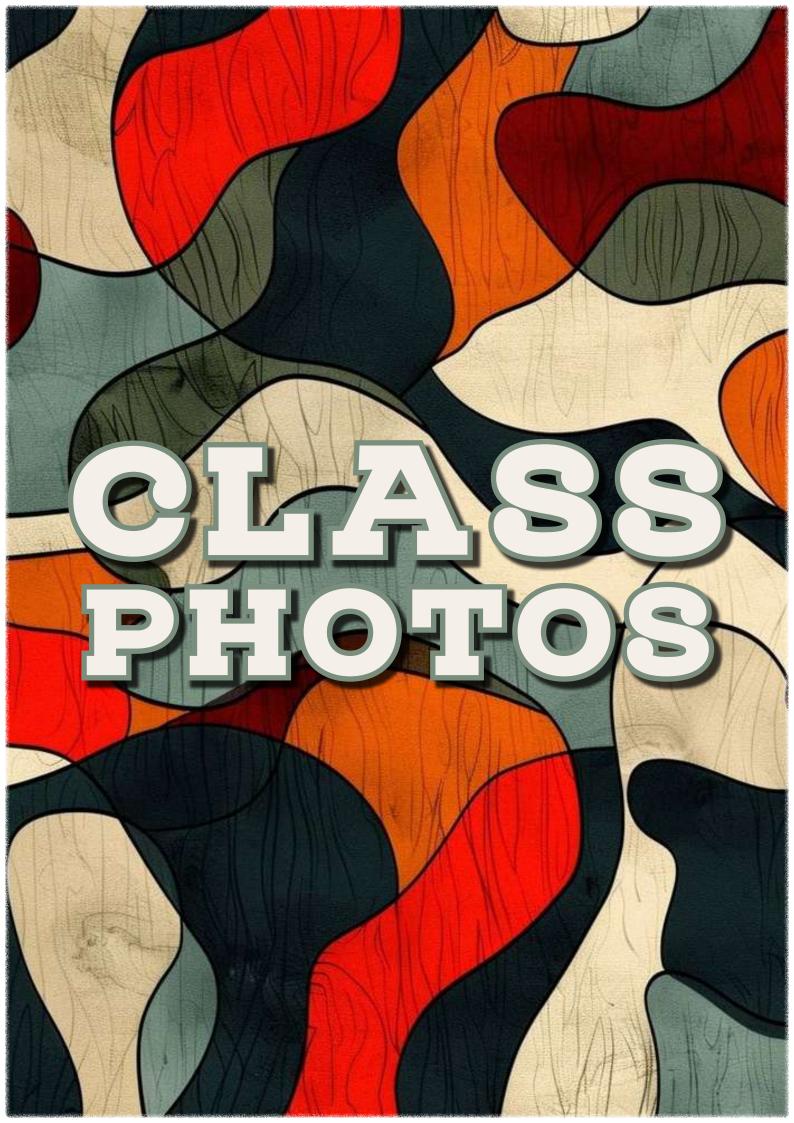




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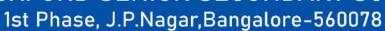
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