

2021 – A New Year

Every day comes to an end.
Every year comes to an end.
Some years are good, some are bad; some we cherish and some we despise.
But never before did I think that there would be a year that the whole world feared.
The world-wars were different. We were the ones who caused it, but this...this is entirely different.
The whole world came to a standstill.
No schools, no office, no going out, no trips and no small shopping trips too.
Nothing.
The year gone by was a nightmare, and I express this on behalf of all.
But for some, it was truly wonderful.
Personally, for me...it had been quite an adventure. I got to learn new things.
We hoped that 2020 would be a miracle year; the irony of this is ludicrous.
As the New Year is about to start; we continue hoping that 2021 will be a year of miracles.

I write this to greet the New Year with a happy and hopeful heart.
Some claim that the Covid-19 vaccine has been discovered, while others claim that the virus has grown stronger and has mutated.
Some say that schools will reopen soon, while others agree that this decision needs to be reconsidered.
While most believe the second, I believe the first.
I believe that life will return to normal and that we will no longer have to deal with this nightmare.

I hope and pray for all things beneficial and productive. As for me and all those around me, we hope —
The dusk of the year 2020 gives way to the dawn of a new, better and a more hopeful year.
As they say, 'The past is gone, today is full of possibilities.'
Sruthi R
8C



RESULTS OF FIT INDIA SCHOOL WEEK COMPETITION

CHESS COMPETITION RESULTS

LI-CHESS COMPETITION U-14			
PLACE	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 PLACE	AAYUSH DHOOT	7D	HERCULES
2 PLACE	HARSHAL P	8A	VENUS
3 PLACE	NAINA ELIZABETH VARGHESE	7 D	VENUS

LI-CHESS COMPETITION U-12			
PLACE	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 PLACE	ANIRUDH S SHENOY	6D	VENUS
2 PLACE	ABRAHAM J. KEVIN	6D	APOLLO
3 PLACE	SIDDHARTH S	6D	VENUS

Fit India School Week Celebration 2020

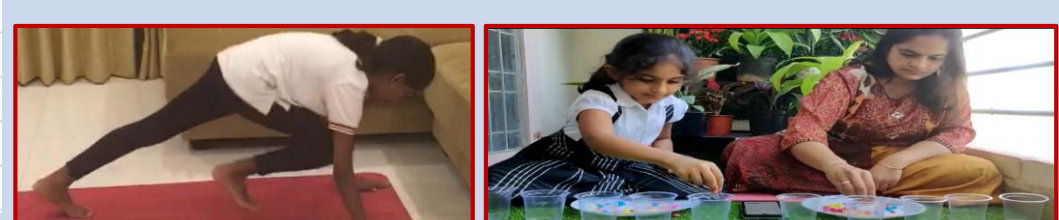
Fit India Movement is a nation-wide movement in India to encourage people to remain healthy and fit by including physical activities and sports in their daily lives. The campaign has a 'Fitness Pledge' that reads, "I promise to myself that I will devote time for physical activity and sports every day and I will encourage my family members and neighbours to be physically fit and make India a fit nation".

New Horizon Public School also conducted a 'Virtual Fit India-Session', a week-long programme from 14th to 18th December, 2020.

A healthy lifestyle is the need of the hour!

The activities conducted were Free Hand Exercises, Yoga, Aerobics, Dynamic & Static Stretching, Online Chess Competition, Fitness Competition and Family Competition.

LI-CHESS COMPETITION U-10			
PLACE	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 PLACE	SHRIYAANS VENKATACHALAM	4E	ZEUS
2 PLACE	RISHIKESH RAGHURAM	4B	HERCULES
3 PLACE	VALLABHA ARJUN KARTHIKEYA VADHRI	1C	VENUS



FITNESS COMPETITION RESULTS

FITNESS COMPETITION U-17 BOYS

PLACE	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 PLACE	ANIRUDH G PRABHU	9C	VENUS
2 PLACE	CHAITHANYA K	9A	APOLLO
3 PLACE	HRISHIKESH NAMBOODIRI K P	10D	APOLLO
3 PLACE	ADITHYA PARAMESWARAN	9B	HERCULES

FITNESS COMPETITION U-17 GIRLS

PLACE	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 PLACE	PRANITHA GODUGULARI	10A	HERCULES
1 PLACE	NIRANJANI N HIREMATH	10E	APOLLO
2 PLACE	NISCHITHA J	9B	VENUS
2 PLACE	KASHISH SAINI	8D	APOLLO
3 PLACE	DHRITI KAMANI	9D	VENUS

FITNESS COMPETITION U-14 BOYS

PLACE	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 PLACE	ATULIT S	8E	HERCULES
2 PLACE	SOHAN N	8B	VENUS
3 PLACE	SHREYAS PAI	7A	VENUS
3 PLACE	SHREYAS JOSHI	7C	VENUS
CONSOLATION	TANISH RAJU	8B	APOLLO
CONSOLATION	MITHUN KUMAR U	7B	APOLLO
CONSOLATION	SURIYA S	7C	ZEUS

FITNESS COMPETITION U-14 GIRLS

PLACE	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 PLACE	SNEHA NUNE	7A	ZEUS
2 PLACE	ANSHIKA GUPTA	7D	APOLLO
3 PLACE	ADHITHI K	7B	VENUS
CONSOLATION	LAYA M	7B	VENUS

FAMILY COMPETITION U-14

PLACE	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 PLACE	SHREYAS JOSHI	7C	VENUS
2 PLACE	SHREYAS PAI	7A	VENUS
3 PLACE	KRITI SUDHEER	7A	ZEUS
CONSOLATION	BHAVITH CHANDRA P	7D	ZEUS

FITNESS COMPETITION U-12 BOYS

PLACE	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 PLACE	VRISHANK R	5D	APOLLO
2 PLACE	ABRAHAM J KEVIN	6D	APOLLO
3 PLACE	AARAV SINHA	5B	APOLLO
CONSOLATION	HRIDAI DHANAPATHY	5C	ZEUS
CONSOLATION	AKASH ANAND KUMAR	5D	VENUS
CONSOLATION	KARTHIK A	5D	HERCULES

FITNESS COMPETITION U-12 GIRLS

PLACE	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 PLACE	NAVYA J	4D	VENUS
2 PLACE	KRITHIKA SHIVARAM	6E	ZEUS
3 PLACE	TANUSHREE BASKER	6D	APOLLO
CONSOLATION	KEERTHANA S	5C	HERCULES
CONSOLATION	SHRUTI RAMANATHAN	6A	VENUS
CONSOLATION	RAJALAKSHMI R	5A	ZEUS

FAMILY COMPETITION U-12

PLACE	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 PLACE	AKASH ANAND KUMAR	5D	VENUS
2 PLACE	PRIYANSH MANTRI	5E	APOLLO
3 PLACE	LAKSHAYA SARDA	5A	ZEUS

FITNESS COMPETITION U-10 BOYS

PLACE	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 PLACE	AMAR ASISH PATRO	4B	APOLLO
2 PLACE	RISHIKESH RAGHURAM	4B	HERCULES
3 PLACE	ISHAAN P	4E	ZEUS

FITNESS COMPETITION U-10 GIRLS

PLACE	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 PLACE	AHANA KEDILAYA	3C	HERCULES
2 PLACE	NITHISHA SAJNANI	3B	APOLLO
3 PLACE	HARINI SATHISHA	4A	APOLLO
3 PLACE	DHRUVIKA DIVVELA	4B	ZEUS
CONSOLATION	MISHIKA POLURI	3B	VENUS
CONSOLATION	MANYATA ANVEKAR	3C	HERCULES
CONSOLATION	NAINIKA DASARI	4C	VENUS

FAMILY COMPETITION U-10

PLACE	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 PLACE	EESHAN PRUSTY	4E	APOLLO
2 PLACE	TEJAS JOSHI	2E	HERCULES
3 PLACE	RITTISHA KAMAL	4E	HERCULES



FITNESS COMPETITION U-8 BOYS

PLACE	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 PLACE	VED JAIN	2C	HERCULES
2 PLACE	VIHAAN VUTHA	2C	APOLLO
3 PLACE	KOUSHIK SHANKAR	2C	ZEUS

FITNESS COMPETITION U-8 GIRLS

PLACE	NAME	CLASS	HOUSE
1 PLACE	MIHIKA BHAYA	2E	APOLLO
2 PLACE	MYRA BHAYA	2E	HERCULES
3 PLACE	ANIKA BISHT	2D	HERCULES
3 PLACE	ISHANVI VIJAY	2E	ZEUS
CONSOLATION	GUNNIKA JAJOO	2C	HERCULES
CONSOLATION	ANIKA KHANDLWAL	1B	ZEUS



**ADMISSION NOTICE
SESSION 2021-22**

Registration forms for admission to Nursery for the academic year 2021-2022 will be available on the website: www.nhps.in

Parents seeking admission for the same are requested to register online from:

- Registration Fee: ₹ 500/-
- Payment for the registration to be made ONLINE only.

Completed registration form along with the following documents must be submitted online along with:

- The latest passport size photograph (size less than 100KB in JPEG or PNG format)
- Scanned copy of the birth certificate of the child (PDF format less than 1 MB)
- Scanned Copy of child's Aadhaar card (PDF format less than 1 MB)

The date of interaction will be intimated by the school

NOTE:

- The child should have completed 2 years 9 months as on 1st June 2021 for admission to Nursery.
- The first priority is for siblings and alumni
- The numbers of seats available are limited. Admission granted on MERIT only

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Admission Circular

FOR PLAYGROUP, NURSERY, LKG AND UKG FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2021-2022

Dear Parents, Hari Om!

Registration forms for admission for the academic year 2021-22 for PLAYGROUP, NURSERY, LKG & UKG can be downloaded from 5th October 2020 onwards from the website www.newhorizonvidyamandir.in

Filled in registration forms can be submitted at New Horizon Vidya Mandir or submitted online to the following email ID: principal@newhorizonvidyamandir.in

Parents are welcome to visit the campus after submission of the application form.

Timings: Monday- Saturday: 10.00am to 2.30pm

An Interaction/online interaction with your child will be conducted commencing from 29th October 2020. Admissions will be confirmed on a first come basis.

Please submit the filled in registration form with the following enclosed:

1. The latest passport size photograph of the child
2. Photocopy of the birth certificate
3. Aadhar copy of the child

The child should have completed 1 year 10 months on 1st June 2021 for admission to Playgroup. For admission to Nursery, the child should have completed 2 years 9 months on 1st June 2021, for LKG and UKG the corresponding age will be considered.

Thrilling Thursday – Science 4 Fun!



Thrilling Thursday Class 2 A

Science is a way of life. It is a process that helps us understand abstract concepts in a precise and reliable manner. "We endeavour to encourage students to befriend science and move away from traditional systems to creative learning. Keeping this vision in mind, a range of informative and interesting learning material was made available to the students to help them develop a scientific temper and spirit of inquiry. Among these materials is a presentation titled, "Amazing and Unusual Science Facts", which was shared in December. It included information about plants, animals, space and the environment." Thrilling Thursday – 'Science 4 Fun', an online programme was organised on December 17, 2020, to expose the students to the world of science. The event received an overwhelming response from the students and parents. This programme opened up new opportunities for young minds to showcase their talents. They were given opportunities to participate in various events.



Students spoke confidently on the achievements of India in the field of science. Hands-on science experiments were conducted enthusiastically by students which enhanced active learning.



The Covid-19 pandemic has literally brought the world to a standstill and we are still reeling under its impact. Through role-play, students demonstrated the various safety measures to combat the Coronavirus and keep it at bay. Students donned the hats of their favourite scientists and spoke of their achievements in different fields of science. Keeping in mind the theme 'Our world is becoming a massive polluted dump', children sang songs and recited poems on the unique ways of making mother Earth pollution-free.

New Horizon firmly believes that, "Education is not only the learning of facts but also the training of the mind". Thrilling Thursday was an initiative to imbibe a scientific temper among the New Horizonites and lay a strong foundation in science education.

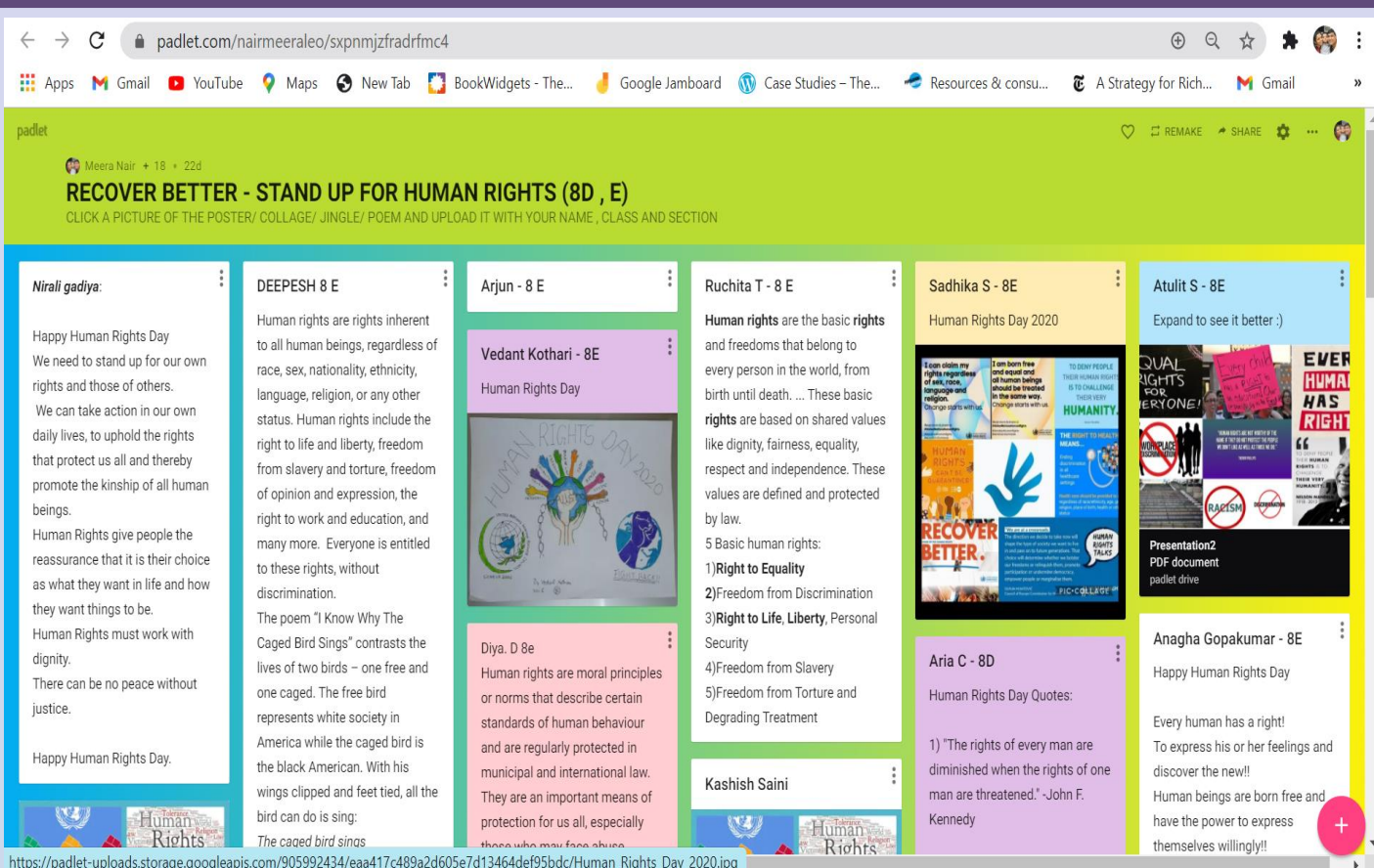
Human Rights Day

On the 10th of December, 2020, we celebrated Human Rights Day. The events of the year made it an extremely turbulent one, and the racial tensions reached an all-time high, leading to many riots across the world. Amidst these issues of fear and prejudice, our virtual learning sessions helped bring us together despite invisible barriers between us.

Using the VLS sessions as a platform, our teachers gave us an insight into the importance of Human Rights. They highlighted the fact that though Human Rights is essential to life, they are considered a privilege, by a number of people across the world who are deprived of them. They emphasized the importance of Human Rights by conducting an interactive session, where students were given an opportunity to express and discuss their ideas and proposals to protect Human Rights. It was a very enjoyable yet educative session as we also got to see videos of people who were oppressed because of their caste, creed, gender and religion. The students were also given a chance to display their ideas and thoughts in the form of a presentation, collage, poem or collection of a few facts on this crucial topic in today's world, via Padlet. These could then be viewed by their peers as well as their teachers.

Overall, the event was both informative and an eye-opener for all. With the help of technology, our teachers were able to pass on their wise thoughts and ideas on the protection of Human Rights, a topic that is ever so important in today's society. They also encouraged us to be more compassionate to the world around us.

Prahlad Kini
8E



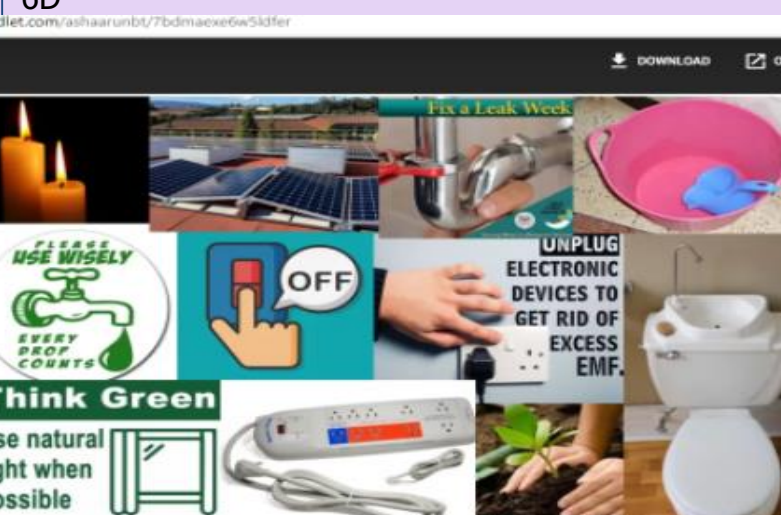
Conserve, Preserve And Save Energy



What would the world be without energy?
For without energy, there would be no electricity,
No heat, no fuel and no light;
Indeed without energy, it would be a great plight!
So, conserve, preserve and save energy;
For what would the world be without energy?

Conserve, preserve and save energy
Switch off appliances when not in use;
Or you and electricity might come to a truce!
Save petrol, save diesel;
It might allow your car to run faster than a weasel!
Use bicycles instead of cars;
It might give enough energy
To land a rocket on Mars!
So, conserve, preserve and save energy;
For what would the world be without energy?

Abraham J Kevin
6D

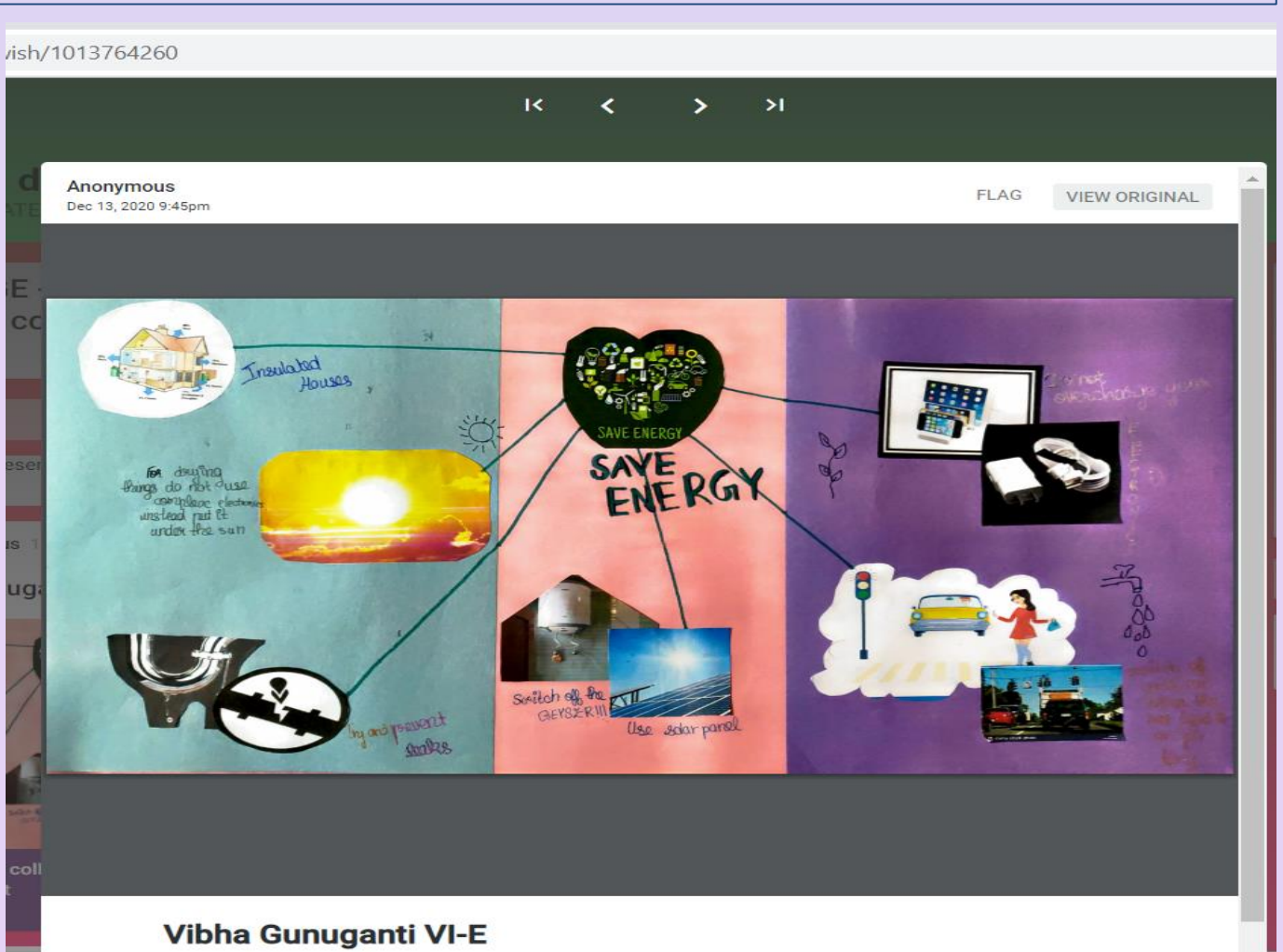


National Energy Conservation Day

On the occasion of National Energy Conservation Day, a virtual programme was held on December 14, 2020, for the students of grades five to eight. During the last period, our teachers discussed the need to conserve energy and its implementation in our daily lives. They highlighted the fact that if energy is not conserved today by us, there will be no tomorrow. We took a pledge to conserve energy in our homes and encourage others to do so too.

This was followed by the display of the activities done by us earlier and posted on our respective class Padlet link. From rib-tickling comics to mesmerising poems and beautiful posters, the students awed everyone with their talents. We ended the day with the hope that each small step helps in building a better tomorrow.

Nikhita Reddy
6C



National Mathematics Day

To mark the 125th anniversary of Srinivasa Ramanujan, Prime Minister Sri Manmohan Singh on February 26, 2012, declared that December 22 would be celebrated as National Math day. On December 22, we celebrated National Math day virtually! We participated in an array of activities, such as sharing of facts and tricks related to Math. One such fact is that 1729, known as the Hardy-Ramanujan Number, is the smallest number which can be expressed by the cubes of two different cubes in two different ways. 1729 is the sum of the cubes of 10 and 9 as well as the cubes of 12 and 1. I got to learn some interesting Vedic Math tricks too! Many students enthralled us with jokes related to Math. We were also shown some engrossing and informative videos by our teacher. We truly enjoyed the session!

Akshay Vijaykumar
8E



Fractions Song

You wake up to a fractions test; it's Monday
Feels like one of those rough days...
You're late again;
So come on-Let's get out of the house.

Verse 1
Looking at the clock, you observe
Quarter to eight is three-fourth of the clock
Add half and half; that gives you 1 whole
Only with like fractions subtraction is possible
Fractions will help you reach your goal.

Verse 2
Looking at the mirror, I realise
The white part covers two-thirds of my eye
An improper fraction is 5 upon 4
Only fractions will help you reach your goal.

By Ambika Jha 7C

WELL, HERE WE ARE!



We wouldn't be here if we didn't take the consequences of messing with nature for granted. The desolation caused by a microscopic, non-living thing, Oh man, it's surreal and slanted! Only if we were as ideal and mature as we claimed to be And know the risk that comes every time we walk outside the house in glee.

We wouldn't be here if we weren't careless and had treated This pandemic like a pandemic in its early days and never uttered the words 'nothing will happen' or 'I don't care'. So many lives are lost every single day; few will know the pain But some are still stuck in 'I don't need a mask'; Nay! We need to think about the people around us too! We could be murderers someday! Let's wake up, I say. Okay, enough is enough!



Now, let's stop dwelling on the past Let's take this matter into our own hands, Where it ironically always was Let's end this once and for all! All we have to do is follow a few simple rules If not, let's stay at home and duel with ourselves and think about what's right Because we cannot win this fight alone, and with disconnected minds And for once, let's keep all our differences aside Caste, creed, religion, and gender; the virus does not divide.



Ankita Vakde
8D



DREAM 11 IPL 2020 Facts

- Only Kashmiri player to play in IPL 2020: Abdul Samad (Sunrisers Hyderabad)
- Oldest player to play in IPL 2020: Imran Tahir (Chennai Super Kings)
- Youngest player who played a match in IPL 2020: Yashasvi Jaiswal (Rajasthan Royals)
- Most runs in a single season on debut: 473 runs - Devdutt Padikkal (Royal Challengers Bangalore)
- Fastest ball bowled in IPL 2020: 156.22 km/h - Anrich Nortje (Delhi Capitals)
- Most dot balls in IPL 2020: 175 - Jofra Archer and Jasprit Bumrah (Rajasthan Royals and Mumbai Indians respectively)
- Best bowling figures in IPL 2020: 5/20 - Varun Chakravarty (Kolkata Knight Riders)
- Best Economy in IPL 2020: 5.37 - Rashid Khan (Sunrisers Hyderabad)
- Biggest six in IPL 2020: 106 metres - Nicholas Pooran (Kings XI Punjab)
- Fastest fifty in IPL 2020: 17 balls - Nicholas Pooran (Kings XI Punjab)
- Best strike rate in IPL 2020: 191.42 - Kieron Pollard (Mumbai Indians)

Ankith A
8A

MARSUPIALS

Famous are the Australian kangaroos, Flyers with a pouch, We can watch them in zoos With scared joeys that jump back crying, 'Ouch!'



Oh! Plump lazy bears—the koalas Feed on eucalyptus leaves, And sleep eighteen hours; they have a gala, Snacking on leaves inside their cheeks like thieves.

Opossums famous for possum Play dead—a game, It's a sight awesome As all look the same.

Oh, zookeepers! Please, Don't give us an ache; These marsupials you must release, And we shall treat you to some cake.

Ananya Rao
3D

SELF-RELIANCE

Niveda was all excited about her newfound passion for cooking when Samyuktha's passion said hello to hers. "Hey Niveda, I am trying to capture this aroma on my DSLR", said the witty Samyuktha. After her signature giggle came Niveda's reply, "Sammy, thank you! I hope the taste of my paneer butter masala matches the inviting aroma". Giggles once again.

She continued, "I am trying to become Atma Nirbhar, you see!" Hearing Niveda's reply, Samyuktha swiftly switched modes from a photographer to the reporter. Samyuktha was Niveda's cousin. She was studying Journalism & Mass Communication.

The very word 'Atma Nirbhar' aroused the reporter in her and she wanted to hear more from Niveda. She continued, "My little sister, what do you understand by the term Atma Nirbhar?"

The ever-smiling Niveda chose to answer this with a lot of maturity. "Sammy", she said, "Atma Nirbhartha, that is self-reliance, means a list of to-do tasks for me. Of late, my friends and I have an earnest desire to understand this term in-depth. I am sure you would like to listen. So here goes: Self-reliance in lay man's words means non-dependency; to stand on one's own feet. Self-sustenance means understanding that anything is possible by an individual if one has enough faith in oneself.

Making pizzas and tacos at home can be classified under self-reliance. Thanks to Coronavirus! (Again, her signature smile!)

To consciously use 'Make in India' brands, is 'self-reliance'. As there are many players in the market today, home brands are pressurized to maintain high standards. However, let us give our home brands an opportunity to find their feet.

If we want our nation to be among the world's best nations, then we all must ensure that every citizen stops talking big and starts acting on it."

"Niveda, it is incredible that your little brain cells could process so much information! I am going to publish this as an interview in my college magazine. Give me ten!" (The sound of success!)

Niveda said, "Thank you for your appreciation. If you really plan to publish our conversation, do not forget to add this last and important line, "We must realise that the Almighty has blessed each one of us with something special. With this awareness and faith in Him, self-reliance grows automatically!"

The two happy cousins then relished the yummy paneer gravy with soft chapatis.

Value Plus Team



ಯಾವುದು ಅಂತ್ಯ?



ಯಾರಿಗಿಲ್ಲ ಅಂತ್ಯ, ಪ್ರತಿಯೊಂದು ಜೀವಿಯನ್ನು, ಬುದ್ಧಿವಂತ ಮನುಷ್ಯನೂ, ಪ್ರತಿಯೊಬ್ಬರಿಗೂ ಬದುಕಿನ ಕೊನೆಯ, ಹಾದಿಯೇ ಅಂತ್ಯ.

ಸೃಷ್ಟಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸೃಷ್ಟಿಯಾದ ಪ್ರತಿಯೊಂದು ಜೀವಿಯನ್ನು ಕೊಂದು ನೀ ಬದುಕಿದ ಮನುಷ್ಯ ಆದರೆ ಇಂದು ನಿನ್ನ ಅಂತ್ಯವನ್ನು ನೀನೇ ಬಯಸಿದೆ.

ಎಲ್ಲಿದ್ದ ಮಾನವೀಯತೆ, ಎಲ್ಲಿದ್ದ ಕರುಣೆ, ಎಲ್ಲಿದ್ದ ಪ್ರೀತಿ, ವಿಶ್ವಾಸ. ಎಲ್ಲವೂ ಸಾರ್ಥಕ, ಅಪನಂಬಿಕೆಯಿಂದ ತುಂಬಿ ತುಳುಕುತ್ತಿದೆ.

ಅತಿಯಾಸೆ ಗತಿಗೇಡು ದುರಾಸೆ ನಿನ್ನ ಕೇಡು ಅನುಭವಿಸು ಮಾನವ ನಿನ್ನ ಅಂತ್ಯವನ್ನು ಕೋರಲೇನ ಎಂಬ ಹೆಮ್ಮಾರಿಯಿಂದ.

ಮೃಗ, ಪಕ್ಷಿಗಳಿಗೆ ನೆಲೆಯಲ್ಲದಂತೆ ನೀ ಮಾಡಿದೆ. ಆದರೆ, ಇಂದು ನಿನ್ನ ಗಂಟು ಮೂಟೆಯನ್ನು ನೀನೇ ಕಟ್ಟಿಕೊಂಡು ನೆಲೆಗಾಗಿ ಅಲೆದಾಡುತ್ತಿರುವೆ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದು, ಕ್ಷೋ, ಓ ಮಾನವ.

ಮರೆತ ನೀ ನಮ್ಮ ಸಂಸ್ಕೃತಿ, ಮಾನವೀಯತೆ, ಅದಕ್ಕಾಗಿ ಸೃಷ್ಟಿಯಾಯಿತು. ಈ ಹೆಮ್ಮಾರಿ ಎಂಬ ಕೋರಲೇನ ದುಃಖ, ವ್ಯಥೆ, ಜಿಗುಪ್ಸೆ, ಎಲ್ಲವೂ ಇಂದು ನಿನ್ನ ಮನದಲ್ಲಿ ಮನೆ ಮಾಡಿದೆ.

ಕಾರಣ ಏನು? ಔಷಧ ಏನು? ಹುಡುಕಾಡು ಹುಡುಕಾಡು. ಪ್ರಕೃತಿಯಲ್ಲಿನ ನೀಗೂಢ ಸಮಸ್ಯೆಗಳಿಗೆ ಪರಿಹಾರ ಸಿಗುವವರೆಗೂ, ನೀ ನಿರಂತರ ಹೋರಾಡು.

ಅನ್ನಪೂರ್ಣ ಬಿ.ಆರ್.



'MAKE BAD USE OF THE BEST MACHINE...'

Sounds familiar? Yes, it is just the opposite of the idiom 'make the best use of a bad bargain'. Imagine a farmer who gets a Mercedes Benz as a gift. The only vehicle he has ever seen is a tractor. He knows only one way in which a vehicle can be used. We can imagine what happens next. He hitches a yoke to his new Mercedes and starts driving it all over his field. Of course, not only does his attempt at ploughing fail; his new car malfunctions and he becomes frustrated—with himself, his car and his field. Why? Because it was the incorrect use of the best machine. When we use a Mercedes to plough a field, the results are—a spoiled field, a wrecked car and a frustrated driver. Let us see what science has discovered about man's nature and his environment; specifically, what happens to the environment (the field), the human body (the car) and ourselves (the driver) if we misuse them?

Environment (the field): Biologist E. O. Wilson studied the complex interdependence among various species in the biosphere and concluded that "If human species became extinct, there would hardly be any problems for any other species or the ecology. In fact, human extinction would solve most ecological problems." This is a direct hint that our contribution is meant to be at a level higher than the physical.

Human body (the car): Modern society, education and media indoctrinate us into believing that material enjoyment (ploughing) is the goal of life. However, this 'enjoyment' leads to our worst suffering. Herbert Benson of the Harvard Medical School, after conducting extensive research on the physical and mental benefits of spiritual living, states that the human body and mind is 'wired for God'.

Ourselves (the driver): Survey after survey has shown that spiritual practices protect people from self-destructive behaviour and habits. Patrick Glynn of George Washington University writes in his book: 'There is evidence that those who don't attend spiritual prayer meetings are four times more prone to suicide than those who do so.'

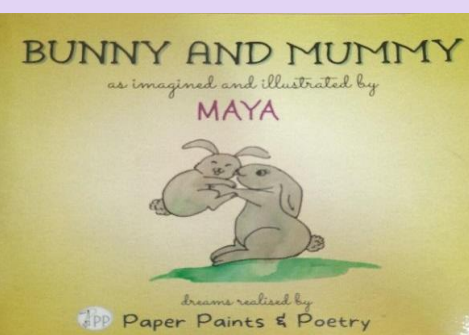
Stephen Covey, the well-known author of the Seven Habits series, aptly remarks, "We are not human beings on a spiritual journey. We are spiritual beings on a human journey."

The great politician Chanakya Pandit, who was once the Honorary Prime Minister of India advised that the best use of a bad bargain is to utilise the temporary possessions (material) for the cause of the permanent (spiritual). So, let's turn our lives from making 'bad use of the best machine', and make 'the best use of a bad bargain'.

Value Plus Team

CONGRATULATIONS

Maya Balaji, a student of Nursery D, has written her first children's book titled 'Bunny and Mummy'. Maya's story is about a bunny and his dear mummy. The conceptualization of this story and colourful illustrations are both done by little Maya herself.



This book has been published by 'Paper Paints & Poetry', a publishing and artist showcasing platform for writers globally. The book has been translated and published in Tamil, titled 'Thaayum Seyum'. Both books are now available for purchase from all major Amazon marketplaces.

Maya will be the youngest author, considering the Guinness record is now held by a four-year-old. This is just the beginning of her journey into the field of storytelling. Here's to many more adorable stories from Maya!

We are happy to share that Aadya Thakur of Grade 8 was selected as the Jr Quiz Master for conducting an online Family Quiz. The Quiz was scheduled on December 20, 2020. Students of Grades 1 to 8 participated actively in this Family Quiz and encouraged the young quiz master.

Vibha Gunuganti of Grade 6E secured the first position in the Virtual Adobe Workshop event. Adobe Spark for Education is an app-based video, graphics, and web creation platform. Adobe Spark offers three different resources:

- Spark Page – for creating web stories
- Spark Video – for creating animated videos
- Spark Post – for creating social media posts

Lake Symposium is an initiative by the **Centre of Ecological Sciences, Indian Institute of Science**. Please find below the results. Congratulations to the winners!!

9th standard - Poster

Prize	Name	Class	School	Title
1 st	Diptangshu Pande	9	New Horizon Public School	Wetlands and Swamps: Restoration, Conservation and Management
2 nd	Manav Venkatachalam	9	New Horizon Public School	Bioremediation of Heavy Metals by Macrophytes

We are happy to announce that the following students have bagged various ranks in the recently conducted **Vidyarthi Vigyan Manthan (VVM) examinations held by the Government of India**.

VVM is a national level, unique app-based **Science Talent Search Examination** conducted by the **Department of Science and Technology** along with NCERT.

The following is the list of students who secured the 1st, 2nd and 3rd rank in the School Level category:

SL NO	NAME OF THE STUDENT	GRADE	RANK
1	D KRISHNA MANGOGNYA	7	1
2	TEJAS SURIYA	7	2
3	ANANYA ARUN	7	3
4	NIHAL VADAPALLI GURU	9	1
5	ADITHYA PARAMESWARAN	9	2
6	SRIJITA PATRA	9	3

ANKITA A VAKDE bagged the first rank in the District Level and was selected for the State Level camp.

The following students have been selected for the State Level camp:

SL NO	NAME OF THE STUDENT	GRADE
1	ANKITA A VAKDE	8
2	NIHAL VADAPALLI GURU	9
3	ADITHYA PARAMESWARAN	9

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2 C



Hima Stuthi
LKG B



Ananya Rao
3D



Mhithraa H
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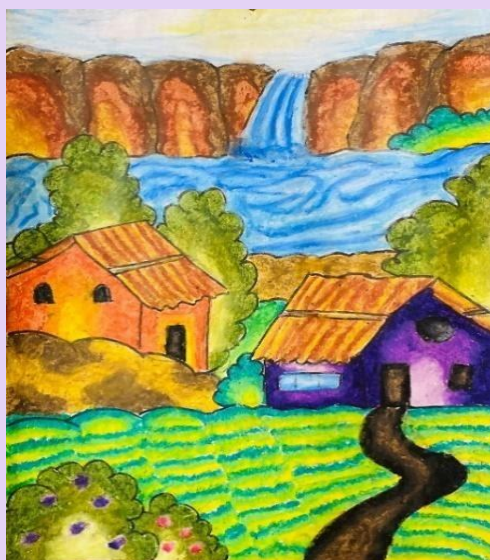
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2 D



Lakshmi Sahasra
5B



Mahi Gadi
9C



Ankith
8A



Nischitha
9B



Bhavith
7D



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