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Dr. Mohan Manghnani, Chairman, New Horizon Educational Institutions, has been awarded the prestigious Lifetime Achievement Award at the 11th National Conference on K-12 Leadership & India School Merit Awards - 2023, instituted by Education Today, for his outstanding contribution to the field of education and his inimitable leadership.

EDUCATION EXCELLENCE AWARD -NEW HORIZON GURUKUL



New Horizon Gurukul is Ranked No.1 in India under the Category – CBSE Parameter Wise for 'Future-Proof Learning Infrastructure' and is also conferred with Best Academic Excellence Award. New Horizon Gurukul also won the accolade of 'The Dynamic School' in India after the survey and intense scrutiny done by the jury panel of Education Today.

TIMES EDUCATION EXCELLENCE AWARD



Times Education Excellence Award - New Horizon Public School has proved its prowess yet again in the field of education by being Ranked the No. 2 ICSE school in Bangalore and No. 1 in Indiranagar Plus as per the Times School Survey 2023,

TIMES EDUCATION EXCELLENCE AWARD NEW HORIZON GURUKUL



New Horizon Gurukul has displayed its mettle yet again in the field of education by being Ranked the No.4 CBSE school in Bangalore and No.2 in Whitefield Plus as per the Times School Survey 2023.

EDUCATION EXCELLENCE AWARD



Education Excellence Award - New Horizon Public School is Ranked No.8 in India, No.4 in Karnataka and No.4 in Bengaluru under the Category-'India's Top 20 Preschool' in a survey conducted by Education Today. New Horizon Public School is also Ranked No.13 in India, No.4 in Karnataka and No.4 in Bengaluru under the Category - 'Top 20 ICSE Schools' in a survey conducted by Education Today.

EDUCATION EXCELLENCE AWARD -NEW HORIZON INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL



New Horizon International School has been awarded the "Best Emerging School" (CBSE) in a survey conducted by Education Today.

This accomplishment solidifies our unwavering commitment to providing top-tier education and fostering success among our students.

A sincere thank you to our committed educators, motivated students, and supportive parents for their combined contributions in attaining this milestone.

















UNIVERSAL CHILDREN'S DAY

Universal Children's Day is a special occasion dedicated to celebrating the joy and innocence of childhood. NHPS delightfully organized a field trip to the "Model Heritage Village" (Rangoli Gardens) for the students of Pre-primary division (Nursery, LKG & UKG) on 20th, 21th and 22th of November, 2023. This was a fantastic and educational experience for our kindergarten students, providing them with a hands-on opportunity to learn about different aspects of a community in a fun and engaging way. This was a day that gave the children a brief introduction to the concept of a heritage village, explaining that it is a representation of how people lived in the past, showcasing traditional architecture, lifestyle, and cultural practices. The teachers provided a guided tour of the Rangoli garden, pointing out traditional houses, tools, clothing, and other artifacts, explaining the significance of each element and how it reflects the culture and history of the community. The children got a chance to interact with local artisans who demonstrated skills which added a personal touch to the whole experience. Before departing for school, the teachers gathered the children for a brief reflection and discussion about what they learned during the field trip, encouraging them to share their



favourite aspects and discoveries. This field trip has been a valuable opportunity for children to appreciate and respect different cultures, fostering a sense of diversity and historical awareness.

On account of United Nations Universal Children's Day, a special treat to Fun World was organized for the students of Grades 1 to 5 on 20th November, 2023. Students enjoyed thoroughly at the amusement park. Fun-filled moments spent with friends and heart - pounding adventure rides made their day an unforgettable one. The children had the time of their lives, which they will cherish for many more years to come.



The students of Grades 6 to 10 embarked on an exhilarating journey to Wonderla to celebrate International Children's Day on the 21st and 22nd of November, 2023. The journey began with excited chatter echoing through the school buses. Upon arriving at Wonderla, the vibrant atmosphere of the park welcomed the students, setting the stage for an unforgettable day. The land rides gave them a thrilling start. From the heart-pounding twists and turns of the roller coaster to the crazy twists and turns of the Maverick, the scary Y Scream, Equinox, Hurricane and Tarantula to name a few. Every ride offered them a unique experience. The sound of laughter and screams of joy filled the air.

After the exhausting land rides, they had a delicious lunch to refuel their energy. The exciting water slides, wave pool and water rollercoasters were refreshing for them. The journey back marked a joyful reflection of their day's adventure. The echoes of laughter lingered, serving as a testament to the success of this extraordinary school trip to Wonderla.

In the end, the International Children's Day celebration at Wonderla proved to be more than just a day of amusement—it was a celebration of friendship and the joy of childhood. The students thoroughly enjoyed and carried a treasure trove of memories.

COGNIZANCE - THE CAREER FAIR

Cognizance- The Career Fair 2023 was organized for the Grade 10 students of New Horizon Public School on the 4th of November, 2023 at New Horizon College of Engineering. Cognizance was a wonderful platform to learn about institutions, the programs they offer and the career opportunities open to the students.





Parents and the students had a chance to interact with experts who graced as guest speakers for the day, from various streams of professions such as Ms Sanchari Chaudhry from IIHM, Bangalore, RJ Tuhin from Red FM 93.5 and Surg Lt Cdr Karthikeyan, Officer-in-Charge Dynamic Flight Simulator, Indian Navy who enlightened the students with their real-time professional experiences.

Later, the students and parents were guided to the subject-oriented stalls in the premises, where they had a chance to interact with real-time professionals from various streams of careers. It was the best way to stay updated with the latest education trends and opportunities. This also introduced students to alternative career paths that they might not have considered previously. It was an invaluable opportunity to get all of their questions answered at one place.

BLOOD DONATION CAMP

"We don't look up to heroes just because they wear capes; we respect them for their actions. A small act of kindness can save a life."

In a remarkable fusion of community service and parental engagement, the Rotary Interact Club of NHPS recently organised a successful blood donation camp during the PTM on the 18th of November, 2023. The



event was organised by the students of the Rotary Club from grades 8-10 in collaboration with TTK Blood Bank and the Rotary Club of Bangalore. Over a hundred blood samples were donated by the selfless parents. Kudos to our students for pulling off such a successful event!

KARNATAKA RAJYOTSAVA 2023

"Freedom in mind, strength in words, pureness in blood, pride in our souls, zeal in our hearts", let's salute the spirit of Karnataka.



Kannada Rajyotsava was celebrated on 8th November, 2023 in our school with great enthusiasm. The programme was designed to present the culture and tradition of the state. The students of classes 1 to 10 hosted a meaningful programme in honour of the occasion. The significance of the day was highlighted by the students in the form of dances, songs, skits and mono acting. Different traditional dance forms of Karnataka were exhibited.

The celebration was rightly concluded by playing 'Nadageethe', which marked the successful completion of this beautiful celebration.

THE MAGICAL SOCKS

Parvati and Arun are siblings. Parvati is in grade V while Arun is in grade II. Parvati is sometimes amused and sometimes annoyed by Arun's childish antics as she considers herself to be a grown-up while thinking of Arun as a toddler. One day, while getting ready for school, they were late as Arun couldn't find his socks.

He claimed to have kept them in his cupboard and when Parvati searched for them, she found one of the socks in his room while the other one was in her room. Like all elder sisters, she gave Arun a piece of her mind while Arun gaily munched on the delicious breakfast that their mother had prepared.

This happened a couple of times till one day, in his defence, Arun claimed that the socks were magical and they simply refused to listen to him. Parvati looked at her brother adoringly, thinking it would have been better to have a pet monkey instead of her brother who seemed to have a really good imagination.

Parvati played along and told him that she would stay awake with him all night and catch those so-called "magical socks." As they lay awake hidden under the blanket at night, the clock struck the witching hour!

Out of the blue came the voices "Go Away! Stop annoying me, you little peanut!" and "Please! Please! Please!. Can I also have it? I want it, show it to me, please!". Parvati couldn't believe her eyes or her ears!! What on earth was going on! Arun's socks were talking to each other.

Their behaviour reminded Parvati of how she and Arun behaved all day long. The elder of the two was called "Kush" and the one that was behaving like a toddler was called "Smush".

Kush was all serious while Smush was simply wandering here and there and looking into other drawers. They were constantly arguing and fighting, till Smush went into the other room and hid away. While this was going on, Parvati and Arun fell asleep. In the morning, the two of them were late again, as Arun couldn't find his socks. This went on for a few days where Parvati and Arun would lay awake at night and listen to the socks behave just like them each day.

One day Parvati had enough and decided to "discipline" the socks as to how good socks must behave. One night, as the socks were arguing, she called out to them and having been a class monitor at school, she asked them why they were arguing and causing so much noise.

She had almost made up her mind to write their names and report them to the Principal.

She told them that their behaviour reminded her of Arun's earlier childish nature, and she was not going to have any of it. The socks smiled sheepishly and told her that it was magic that made them behave that way.

The magic made them behave exactly like the person who wore the socks and the person whom the wearer of the socks loved the most. There were tears of joy in Parvati's eyes as she realized that her half-pint baboon of a brother loved her

Parvati decided to handle things a little differently from that day onwards. She was more careful about how she treated her younger brother. Instead of getting annoyed, she would try to calm herself down and play with Arun even though his childish imagination involved storming a "castle where a dragons lived". Since then, Arun has never misplaced his "socks" and they have never been late to school ever . Kushagraa Chatta

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THE NLF READING CHALLENGE

In an exciting literary endeavour, Maitri, Vaishnav, and I from the Primary division got the opportunity to participate as a team in the Neev Literature Fest (NLF) 'Reading Challenge' organized by NEEV International Academy.

The NLF Reading Challenge was designed to get children to read more, reflect on and discuss their reading, interact with authors, and connect with other readers like themselves. A Reading Schedule was shared in July 2023 to help the participants navigate their reading. Each team in the Competitive Track was expected to read two to three books every week. We also followed the rules meticulously and maintained a Reading Log that was updated regularly. Our Reading Guide Ms Ruhi Hassan ensured that we the "NHPS Team" kept up with the Reading Schedule.

The challenge provided a curated selection of books that facilitated a literary odyssey, offering a balanced mix of classic and contemporary works. I would like to give a special thanks to our Principal, Ms. Anupama Sethi, and our Reading Guide, Ms. Ruhi Hassan for putting their time and efforts into procuring the books at the right time, despite their limited availability at exclusive stores. It indeed was a nerve-racking experience to acquire the books and complete the reading challenge. We also got the chance to interact with acclaimed global and Indian authors during the author interaction sessions that were hosted on Zoom. Maitri and I felt proud as our questions were selected for the interaction with the world-renowned authors Ms -Ilyasah Shabazz and Renee Watson.

The NLF Reading Challenge, not only tested our reading prowess, but also fostered teamwork as we exchanged thoughts and ideas. The challenge sparked lively discussions among the team, creating a vibrant intellectual atmosphere within the group. It was truly a wonderful experience of reading books in time, writing logs about each book, keeping all things in mind and so much more.

All the chosen books were amazing, but a few of our favourites are:

- 1. Pax, Journey Home: It teaches us that each situation has two sides.
- 2. Misfit Madhu: We can relate to all the experiences of Madhu, the main character.
- 3. The Ogress and The Orphans: We learn that we shouldn't judge a book by its cover. It also teaches us about kindness and its importance.

After overcoming significant obstacles, it was finally the day for the Preliminary round of the NLF Reading Challenge. On the 9th of September 2023, Maitri, Vaishnav, and I along with Ruhi Ma'am gathered at school for the first round of the challenge. It was immensely tough, as it contained questions such as dialogue completion, sentence completion, identification of different characters, and so on, taken randomly from any of the specified books. We managed to answer most of the questions in the second qualifier round. However, we couldn't qualify for the final round. We only wish to win it next year because we believe,

"Not making it to the final doesn't define your abilities. It's a part of the learning process."

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THE FOUR IMPERFECTIONS OF A HUMAN

Time to know the remaining three imperfections of human beings!!!

Tendency to be illusioned

We see a mirage in a desert and think there is water. So, sometimes the eyes are under an illusion. This is called an Optical Illusion. You may hear a sound, thinking that it could be your friend and open the door to realize that it is somebody else. This is also an illusion. We may take a rope to be a snake due an illusion. Many a time, we see an illusion or hallucinate. When one takes a painkiller, one feels one is alright but the painkiller doesn't cure the disease.



As the effect of the painkiller comes down, one starts feeling the pain again and observes the same old symptoms of the disease to realize that the medicine has just helped reduce the pain temporarily, like covering an untidy room with a blanket to make it look nice.

Tendency to commit mistakes



Science, along with its dramatic successes, has from its beginning, also generated incorrect accounts widely. The brain was considered to be an organ to cool the blood just as there is a radiator in a car to cool the hot water. This is a dramatic deviation from what we now see as truth. When scientists commit a mistake, it can affect millions of people who faithfully follow them. During the bubonic plague in Europe, scientists found the cause of the spread to be the cat. So,

the government at once ordered all the cats in the entire country to be caught and killed to avoid the spreading of the epidemic. But within a few days after this, the scientists realized their folly and said that the cause of plague was not cats, but rats! By then it was too late. Rats started multiplying in large numbers as all cats were wiped out !

Tendency to Cheat:



"To err is human", the saying goes. Unfortunately, humans sometimes got beyond innocent errors and deliberately propagate untruths. Scientists are not immune to this shortcoming. For many years, textbooks on evolution routinely cited the Piltdown man as evidence to prove that human beings have descended from an ape-like ancestor. In 1912, archaeologists excavated a human-like skull and an ape-like jaw from a gravel pit at Piltdown, in the British Isles. Bones were

deemed to be a part of the same creature, which was duly reconstructed in full and placed in the British Museum as an example of a transitional face between an ancient ape and the modern man. However, in 1953, investigators discovered that the jawbone of the Piltdown man was actually of a recent origin and was simply filled to look like a fossil. In other words, the Piltdown man was a fraud, apparently engineered by one of the original "Discoverers".

We insist that God has to come in front of us, for us to believe His existence, but with such imperfections, we cannot demand to see God. This is not the way to see God. Scriptures explain a different way of seeing the Lord. The Lord being omniscient, omnipresent and omnipotent, is all spiritual. Understanding spirituality needs spiritual senses. The only way to see God is to purify and spiritualize our senses by following the authorized spiritual injunctions. Trying to rectify these four imperfections is one of the ways to take us closer to spirituality.

Values Plus Team

YOUNG ACHIEVERS



"Congratulations to Sindhoora R for winning the Main Prize and an award of 2,000 euros at the Future Port Awards held in Prague! Her project 'cbflow' combines brain imaging techniques and AI algorithms to estimate an individual's brain age, which can help assess the risk of neurodegenerative diseases. What an incredible achievement of our Grade X student, who continues to excel in various competitions. Keep up the great work, Sindhoora! We are elated to hear the host

mention that one of the scientists in the panel commented jocularly that, 'if a fifteen-year-old came up with this, then it is time to return my diploma'!! Miles to go dear Sindhoora!



Purvi R of Grade 5B participated in the state selection and won a Gold Medal in the 1000 mts race and a Silver Medal in the 500 mts race at Mangalore. She has been shortlisted to represent the Karnataka state in the 61st Nationals Roller Skating championship, which will be held at Chennai from 11th Dec-25th Dec, 2023. Congratulations to Purvi! All the best for her future endeavours.



Anagha of Grade 7D participated in the Regional Equestrian League (REL) and has been qualified for Nationals. She also participated in the Bangalore Horse Show (BHS) event and secured a Gold Medal in Hack Riding and a Silver Medal in Show Jumping. In another event in the Dressage Competition, she secured a Gold Medal in the team event and a Silver Medal in the individual event.

Congratulations to Anagha on this achievement! We wish her good luck in all her future endeavours!



Harshini V of Grade 7A participated in the Elocution Competition conducted by ISKCON Heritage Fest and won the First Prize. Congratulations to Harshini!



Samanth Naidu of Grade 5B secured the Second Prize in the Classical Chess Tournament Under-11 category conducted by CPG. He also secured the First Prize in the Under-12 category conducted by Rainbow Children Rapid Chess Tournament.

Congratulations to Samanth Naidu on this achievement!



Dhruv Prabhakar Reddy studying in UKG A, has achieved a Silver Medal in Kumon in Mathematics for being 2 years ahead of school level. He is comfortable in solving 3-digit addition and subtraction problems. May this success be the first of many in his life! Congratulations to Dhruv.



We are glad to inform you that Agamya P S of grade III A secured Third Place at the national level in the Tiger My Friend Colouring Competition which was held by Heritage Foundation of Art and Culture on the International Tiger Day. Congratulations to Agamya on this achievement!



Shrihaan has been awarded the 'Player of the Month' in Badminton at Synergy Badminton Association, also won the Bangalore. He has Juniors Group II Single tournament in May 2023. Congratulations to Shrihaan!



Harini of Grade 5E secured the Second Prize at the ISCKON Sanskriti Cultural Fest Inter-School Classical Dance Competition. Congratulations to Harini!



Adweita Panigrahi of Grade secured the 13th rank in the National Level Spell Bee Competition conducted by WIZ National. Congratulations to Adweita!



Sai Adhvik Subhash of UKG-E has set a record in the India Book of Records for solving the maximum number of three-digit addition sums orally in 5 minutes. He mentally added and answered 53 three-digit sums (of 2 rows) in 5 minutes at the age of 5 years and 11 months. His accomplishment is something truly amazing! Congratulations to Sai Advik.





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Athary Kamatha 2A





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