



Lit & Woke

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St. Patrick's Academy

Brother Joseph's Message



2021 is being looked upon as a year of resurrection and revival as the previous year saw the delicate fabric of the human society threaded and torn by the pandemic, climate change and many other factors beyond the human control. With a new year ushering in, people, all around the world, are cautiously hopeful of return to the normalcy or at least some semblance to it.

The education sector was one of the worst affected victims of the pandemic, for the educational institutes became mere buildings in the absence of students. Thus one of the questions which perplex most of us is: When will the school reopen?

Are we ready to resume from the times which we put on the hold last year? Various factors must be cleared and ticked off before such a decision can be made as the school homes from the youngest child who comes trotting to the school, the support staff that maintains the physical environment, the teachers who spend a major portion

of their day to the senior students who would be giving their board exams for the first time. Thus besides making some concessions and adjustments for our senior most lot to boost up their confidence, we are continuously exploring, improving and broadening the alternatives. One of them is the E Newsletter, which reflects and scaffolds the students' calibre. The students must use this platform to polish and practise their talents.

The new year has brought in the hope that the change is around the corner and it will be a positive one. Let's live each day of this year as a new day to learn new skills. Happy New year to all of you!

May God continue to bless you!

Brother Joseph
Principal

The Purpose and the Premise

Philosophy is the flavour which is relished the most in present times- thanks to the social media and our dependence, combined with our addiction to it. There are tons of quotes, messages, memes, tweets and other forms, I am not familiar with, due to my limited knowledge of the social apps, which serve you with instant doses of stoicism, inspiration, spiritualism-- all rolled in a garb of philosophy simplified.

So dear readers, instead of asking you to read Seneca, Aristotle, Emerson and one of the most quoted Confucius, I am leaving you with a few of my favourite quotes I have come across in 2021 so far.

Philosophy in a nutshell for you:

"Words have power. TV has power. My pen has power."- Shonda Rhimes

Avoid stupidity, before you seek brilliance. - Unknown

Great things are not accomplished by those who yield to trends and fads and popular opinion.- Jack Kerouac

Congratulations to the Astronauts that left Earth today. Good choice. - Andy Milonakis

No one is born hating another person because of the color of his skin or his background or his religion. -Barack Obama

And finally...yes, inspite of all the BYJU'S, Unacademy, Vedantu, Toppr and DoubtNut...- Guess who is the best?

Technology is just a tool. In terms of getting the kids working together and motivating them, the teacher is the most important.- Bill Gates

So please, stay Lit and Woke and don't fall into the trap thrown by the app makers out there who promise you the stars (pun intended).

Manjari Sharma - Editor



XPLORE little MORE

"Let's go invent tomorrow instead of worrying about what happened yesterday." – Steve Jobs

Hello Students!

Covid 19, Corona, Virus, Pandemic, Lockdown, Quarantine, Social Distancing Virtual learning were all the new words added to the vocabulary. The year was not only about negativity, but also about real time activities for all -from Educators to Learners!

Whether we accept it or not, this complete year we all spent a lot of time on-screen and every moment we invested took us a little more towards technology, making everyone an ardent technophile.

Classes on the Zoom, assignment on Google Classroom, online test via Google Forms, articles on e-newsletters have become the new formats of Classes, Almanac and Examinations.

You must be wondering what's left for learning now? This article will help us in exploring few more Google Applications under its umbrella.

BOOKS: On Google Books, you can read books and magazines, download them, cite them, and translate them. Some books are provided by publishers, while others are scanned as a part of the Library Project. The Google Books Library Project is aimed at scanning and making searchable the collections of several major research libraries. Along with bibliographic information, snippets of text from a book are often



ARTS AND CULTURE: Google Arts & Culture (Formerly Google Art Project) is an online platform through which the public can view high-resolution images and videos of artworks and cultural artifacts from partner cultural organizations throughout the world. The Google Arts and Culture app is one of the latest ways that you can enjoy art history through technology. The app has a feature to pair your selfie with an art doppelganger*.

**Doppelgangers (German for "double walker") are non-biologically related lookalike-they are not genetically related to you nor do they have any connection to your family history, but for some odd reasons, have similar features to you.*

BLOGGER: is an online Content Management System (CMS) that facilitates the creation of informal online discussion sites, also called as blogs. Users can get a free blogspot.com domain.

DRIVE: Google Drive is an online file storage and synchronization service. Google Drive allows users to store files on their servers, synchronize files across devices and share files. Files uploaded can be up to 5 terabyte in size. A free online storage of 15 GB is provided to all the registered users.

PODCASTS: with Google Podcasts, you can find and listen to the world's podcast for free. Subscribe and listen to all your favorite podcasts.

DOCS: Google Docs is an online word processor that lets you create and format documents and work with other people. It's a real time working app.

SHEETS: Google Sheets is an online spreadsheet app that lets users create and format spreadsheets and simultaneously work with other people in editable mode.

SLIDES: Google Slides is an online presentation app that lets you create and format presentations and work with other people.

A happy reading and resourceful exploring to all.....

Ms. Laxmi Rawat

gratitude

"Pleasure in the job puts perfection in the work"- Aristotle

An nebulous idea was transformed into a thought which then manifested itself and gave way to the contemporary way to spreading Lit & Woke, SPA's E-newsletter, ahead of the times. A big thank to Brother O.J. Joseph for launching the E-newsletter with a vision of launching a unique platform for all the budding writers and literary contributors.

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A special thanks to Mr. Ajay Pundir for the compilation, and Ms Rachel Clement our photo editor.

A big thank to all the writers and readers of 'Lit & Woke'.

"If you want to be a writer, you must do two things above all others: read a lot and write a lot."
- Stephen King

Laxmi Rawat

The Student Reporter Writes:



2021 has begun with a bang and the doors to new opportunities and hopes have been opened. We are all hoping that this New Year brings us joy and is full of positive news. The times were dull but the New Year Eve definitely sparked cheer and optimism in our hearts. People followed all the guidelines sincerely and made sure that they would celebrate the New Year cautiously and would not act against public interests.

Even though the New Year brought happiness and hope, people still could not experience the actual celebrations and optimism this New Year. However, their joy was doubled when the news about the COVID Vaccine trial came out. In India, the number of cases have decreased since the New Year began and we also became one of the few nations to develop the vaccine. It was a big surprise for everyone. People developed new hopes and are now praying for everything to go back to normal. India is currently pioneering the vaccine trials and has also helped other countries that are in need. India has provided the vaccines to Brazil, Bangladesh, South Africa and several other nations as an act of benevolence and kindness.

The Government has already begun the process of vaccination for the health workers in our country and soon all the citizens in our nation will be immunized against this virus. Isn't this news exciting? We are all soon going to completely defeat these thought times and move on with our lives. The month of January is significant for a lot of things especially the Republic Day. India celebrates Republic Day on the 26th of January every year. This day is of great importance in India and it symbolizes our Constitution's greatness. Our school has decided to make sure that this month brings joy and creativity into everyone's lives.

Therefore, we bring to you the Newsletter for the month of January. We hope that this year brings positivity, strength and prosperity to everyone. Let us all pray for each other's welfare and start the year with joy and celebrate the Republic Day with great enthusiasm.

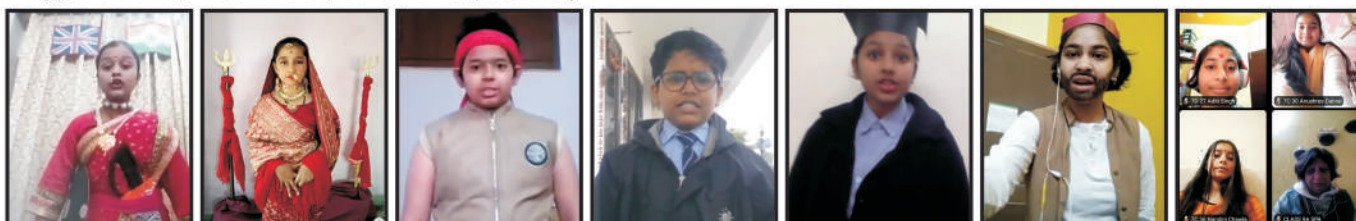
Srijna Ghale

"Acting is behaving truthfully under imaginary circumstances"

-Sanford Meisner

Monoacting is an interesting art form which compliments both acting as well as intelligence. In order to enhance the acting skills of the young Patricians, St. Patrick's Academy organised an online Monoacting Activity in December. The event was organised primarily for the intermediary. The event was segregated in three categories. Category - I(class VI), Category - II(class VII) and Category - III (classes VIII & IX).

On 21st December the vivacious students of Class VI executed a brilliant performance based on the theme "Shine like stars" related to Bollywood and Hollywood. The Judges for the event were the teachers from the junior wing Ms. Rachel, Ms. Gurneet and Ms. Manpreet. The Comperer of the event was Ms. Laxmi. The Time- keeper was Ms. Nasreen and the Scorer was Ms. Priyanka Pathak. The Bollywood and Hollywood actors were imitated extremely well thus making it very difficult for the Judges to decide on one winner. From Class VI D Ashmita Khetrpal (Basanti from Sholay) , VI B Kartik Kumar (Pennywise from IT) and VI A Ridhima Srivastava (Manikarnika from Manikarnika) bagged the 1st,2nd and 3rd positions respectively.



For Category II (Class VII) the students enacted the religious reformers keeping in mind the theme "Keep humanity alive with good deeds". The Judges were Ms. Jigyasa (Junior coordinator) ,Ms. Ipshtita and Ms. Tanu. The compere was Ms. Vaniki. The Time-keeper was Ms. Aman and the Scorer was Ms. Priyanka Wadera. Ridhima Rana from class VII A enacted B.K. Shivani and bagged the 1st position. Aditi Singh from VII D enacted Yogi Adityanath and came 2nd. The 3rd position was won by Anushree Dabral of Class VII C who enacted B.K. Shivani.

The theme for Category - III (Classes VIII & IX) was "We know what we are but know not what we may be" related to the World of Shakespeare. The Judges for the event were Ms. Manjari (Pre- Primary Coordinator) ,Ms. Stuti and Ms. Sonia. The Comperer was Ms. Monica. The Time-keeper was Ms. Jagrati and the Scorer was Ms. Kiran. The 1st position was acquired by Chaarvi (Class IX B) who impersonated 'Portia' from 'Merchant of Venice'. Anushka (Class IX B) enacted 'Shylock' from 'Merchant of Venice' and came 2nd. The 3rd position was acquired by Sukhmani (Class IX A) who impersonated 'Lady Macbeth' from the play 'Macbeth'.

The activity was very entertaining for everyone. The students realised their potential and brought their favourite characters to life with their versatility.

MY NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS 2021

Hello friends!! Do you like to make new year resolutions? Beginning a new year can be a great time for all of us to revisit our commitments and goals. For me, I keep it simple to fulfil.

Read a New book

Read a new story book from my favourite Author, Rick Riordan

Break a bad habit

Reduce screen time and play more outdoor games. I will spend only one hour each day on the screen.

Start a New habit

Read a Newspaper everyday to gain general knowledge and improve language skills.

Going to adopt

Adopt a green lifestyle by avoiding plastic items and switch off fans and lights when not in use.

Look forward to

Spending more time in nature

Vijay Rudraksh Swami, 5B

Give wings to our dreams and let them come true in 2021

A goal without a plan is just a wish

Tracking Wolves during My Holidays

One of my most memorable journeys till now is my visit to Nannaj, Maharashtra with my family.. My father is a scientist in the Wildlife Institute of India. He took us to his field site where he was doing his research on wolves. My father promised me to take on his field site during the winter vacation and he kept his promise. It was a double delight for me, one spending my winter vacation with my father and the other knowing what my father was doing as a part of his research on wolves – the most cunning species on the earth. First, we took a flight to Pune. In Pune, we stayed one night at my uncle's house. The next day we started for Nannaj by road.

When we reached Nannaj, I was aghast to see the weather. It was December but I was feeling extremely hot.

We stayed in a guest house. In front of the place, there was an interpretation center where my dad and I gave information to the people about the birds of India.

We used to have Poha every day for breakfast. At first, I enjoyed eating it but after a few weeks, I was fed up eating it every day.

We used to wake up every day at 5:00 am, get ready, and go to the forest. I would take my bag in which I kept some snacks, water, and juices. I would even carry some jackets as we used to stay there for the whole day and night and at nights, the weather used to be cold.

First, we set up a trap so that we could capture a wolf. As there were many students of my father, we used to make short videos to overcome boredom. We used to get lunch at the watchtower every day. We always clicked beautiful photos at the site.

At our first location Gangevadi, we saw a female wolf. My father trapped the wolf, he injected the wolf to immobilize it and we did the collaring. At first, I was intimidated but later on, I could touch the wolf. We even ate some icecream in joy after we captured the wolf.

We came back to our guest house at night.

While we were sleeping, at around 1:00 am, we received a call from the tower that one more wolf had been trapped.

We quickly went to the tower to see the trapped wolf.

That time the walking area was not a plain land. It was the land full of thorns. I got hurt while walking but the good news was that time we had captured a male wolf.

We kept his name Zalim because he disturbed us all night.

After a few days, we went back to Pune by road and took a flight to Dehradun.

I would recommend everyone to visit Pune someday. It is a city full of enthusiasm, good food, and beauty all around.

My Maharashtra trip was full of fun. I wish to go there again!!



The Hardy Boys

My favourite fictional characters are the Hardy Boys - Frank and Joe. They come from the novel series written by Franklin W. Dixon. They are a pair of amateur detectives who help their father, Fenton Hardy, to solve mysteries.

They are my favourite because they are so observant and find out minute details without many efforts.

Joe is very adorable and one of my favourite characters in all. He, sometimes, gets furious when someone insults or troubles him. Frank and Joe make a great team as Frank is a great thinker; he thinks very carefully while Joe is a muscle man who always wants to attack whenever he gets a chance. They do not solve mysteries alone... most of the time they do it with their friends-Biff Hopper and Tony Prito. I have read nineteen books about them and out of which my favourite was, 'The Shore Road'.

Please do read them, if you haven't done so far and you like to solve mysteries. You might end up learning a trick or two!

Dev Mehra- 5C

Swami Vivekananda

Swami Vivekananda was born on 12th January 1863. His birth name was Narendra Dutt. He was born in Calcutta. His father was Vishwanath Dutt who was a lawyer in the Calcutta High Court and his mother was Bhuvaneshwari Devi who was a religious homemaker. Swami ji was one of the most prominent Hindu monks of India. He was a disciple of Ramakrishna Paramahansa. Swami Vivekananda's teachings and valuable lessons are India's greatest philosophical assets, his philosophies of modern Vedanta and Raj Yoga are a great inspiration to the young citizens of the nation. Swami ji founded Belur Math, Ramakrishna Math and Ramakrishna mission, which have carried forward the religious and spiritual teachings of Swami ji. Swami Vivekananda's birth anniversary is celebrated as National Youth Day on 12th January every year since 1985. This festival helps to inspire the younger generations and citizens of India and also teaches the religious ideals of Vivekananda. Swami Vivekananda was a great leader and philosopher who represented India internationally and won the hearts of the whole globe. His teachings and philosophy are the North Star for his followers. Swami Vivekananda's ideas have inspired people and will to serve as a source of energy to many more future generations.



Manaar Khan- 9A (Student Reporter)

COVID-19

Neither we can go to malls
Nor to waterfalls
Because this virus is scary
That makes everyone shivery
If you want to go out, think twice
Wear your mask, be wise
After coming home, sanitise
And wash your hands thrice
COVID-19 is the name
It is playing a hide-and-seek game
By following the rules, we can surely end its game.

Garvish Gulati- Class-4C

Hello! Spring

The chilling cold snow is melting away

Spring is here, bringing the cheer

Now it's time for flowers to bloom

Birds and bees to surround the trees

Hello! Spring

Rivers flowing gently, birds chirping and dancing all around

It seems, they all are welcoming the beautiful season of spring

New plants growing around, beautiful flowers can be found

Everything looks so pleasant, lovely weather blesses us with joy

Spring is here, Spring is here

I wish this wonderful season never go away.



Ratisha Rai - 4C

HORSE RIDING

When we came to Dehradun few years back, I was seven years old. We came to know of a horse riding school nearby. My parents tried to convince me into taking up the rarely available activity and enrolled me into the school.

When I started horse riding, I used to be a little scared initially. I did not feel like continuing it. But my parents insisted that I must continue with it for at least a month and then, if I did not like it, I could leave it. But thankfully that stage never came. Soon after, I started enjoying it a lot. I even fell a few times in the beginning but I did not give up. As the time passed by, the horses became familiar with me as well.

There are four ways in which a horse can move namely walk, trot, canter and gallop. Walk is the slowest way. Trot is the jogging of a horse. Canter is similar to running and gallop is the fastest way in which a horse moves. There are five horses in our riding school. Their names are Blackjack, Zoravar, Archie, Golden Strike and Goldy. Initially, I got Blackjack, who was the slowest of all. Gradually I started getting horses that could run fast. Now my favourite horse is Archie. He is really gentle and I love riding him. He can run really fast.

Unfortunately the classes came to a stop due to Covid-19 in the month of March. I missed the classes badly and waited for them to resume. Thankfully, the classes resumed few days back-that is almost nine months later. I've been learning the horse riding for over three years now. I am able to canter the horse now and I hope to learn galloping soon.

I love horse riding so much that I don't want to miss a single riding class ever.



Ranya Garg-VI-B

VISIT TO THE VAISHNO DEVI TEMPLE

India is a full of diversities, we all are well aware of the back waters of Kerala, Punjab the lassi, Gujrati Garba, Assam Bihu's and the list continues. Every state of ours is special and so is Jammu, yes I am talking about Vaishno Devi temple. Although I have been to many religious places but I must admit that my trip to Vaishno Devi was not entirely religious but also a fun-filled trip with my family.



Ma Vaishno Devi temple is around 14 km uphill, by flight you can reach till Jammu and from Jammu you have to head to Katra.

The nearest railway station to reach Vaishno Devi is Jammu so you will find good number of trains connecting to Jammu from different parts of India. We preferred the train as we could sleep peacefully at night and feel rejuvenated and energetic for the track to the temple in the morning.

From Jammu you have to reach Katra by road, you can either opt for busses or can hire cabs. The transport is available at reasonable price.

There are an ample number of luxury and Volvo buses to Katra and other nearby places.

Religious stories are always intriguing. It is said that Vaishno Devi is originated from the power of three deities name Ma Laxmi, Ma Kali and Ma Sarswati. She was created so that she could live in the world and help people and uphold the righteous. There are many stories attached with the deity.

Religion is like a medicine for our souls, it doesn't matter which one you choose and religious places have special aura. As we started with our walk towards the temple, I felt a surge of excitement and joy in my heart. This is an experience which I would never forget.

Yashasvini Ale-5D

Eliminate Negativity

We should eliminate negativity because it dampens our enthusiasm and motivation. It contributes to indecision, inertia, procrastination and outright derailment of our goal-directed actions. It defeats us.

Ways to eliminate negativity

1. Be grateful for everything. When life is all about us, it's easy to believe that we deserve what we have.
2. Laugh more, especially at yourself.
3. Help others.
4. Turn negative energy into positive action.
5. Take full responsibility of your actions.
6. Direct your thinking away from negative energy.

Sifat Kaur- 6B

CALL OF DUTY : MOBILE

Call of duty: Mobile free to play shooter game. It was developed by TiMi studios and published by Activision. It is available on android and ios devices. It has over 250 million downloads till June 2020. The number 1 player of the game is iFerg a famous youtuber .

Season 13 is the latest season of the game. It has various ranks starting from rookie, veteran, elite, pro, master and last is legendary. There are almost 49 guns available in the game till date.

There are various game modes that we can play. It is really fun to play and I love playing the game.

Akshat Garg-8A

Card Making Competition (Middle School)





We celebrate Republic Day on 26th January every year to mark the date on which the Constitution of India came into effect as the official governing document of India and turning the nation into a newly formed republic. It was only after the Constitution of India came into effect, did our nation truly become a Republic. Nearly seventy years ago, the brave freedom fighters of the Indian republic steered the nation in a direction that ensured it wasn't demolished by discrimination, caste system and authoritarianism. While India became independent on August 14, 1947, it didn't have a permanent constitution, and the Indian laws were based on a modified version of the what the British established, Government of India Act 1935. A Drafting Committee was appointed for the drafting of a permanent Indian Constitution including-Mahatma Gandhi, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar, Subhas Chandra Bose and Vallabh Bhai Patel—The Drafting Committee and its members were very influential in making Indian constitution during the Committee stages and the discussion of the Constituent Assembly. The members worked for 114 days spanned over three years. Although, the Constitution came into force in 1950 with a democratic government system, it was adopted by the Indian Constituent Assembly on 26 November 1949. This completed the act of turning India into a sovereign republic.

Prisha Kaushik- 7C

Republic day is celebrated as India got its constitution on 26th January 1950. Republic day is one of our country's three national festivals. This day makes us realize the importance of our Republic. On Republic Day Grand Parade at Rajpath is held. A ceremony takes place on the eve of 29th January. It is performed by the group of Indian Army, Indian Navy and Indian Air Force. India invites chief guest from other countries every year at its Republic Day celebration. In 2015, the chief guest on Republic Day was US President, Barack Obama. India celebrates Republic Day with a feeling of Nationalism and Patriotism. It is observed as a National festival and a National Holiday as well.



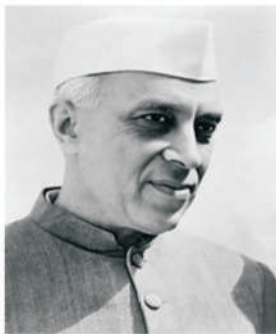
Arnav Sachan - 8th B



The Republic Day



Republic Day is of great historical importance. We got freedom from the British on 15th August 1947, but we were not having any form of government or constitution or political parties. On 26th January 1950, India implemented the Constitution.



Pandit Jawahar Lal Nehru was elected as the President of Indian National Congress and Poorna Swaraj was declared on 26th January 1930. However, we got independence on 15th August 1947.

After the independence, a special constituent assembly was appointed for making the Constitution of India. Dr B.R Ambedkar led the constitution, drafting committee.



The Republic Day is a national festival and is celebrated on 26th January of every year. This day is declared as a national holiday. People celebrate this day with lots of zeal and happiness. The President of India unfurls the national flag on the Rajpath in New Delhi.



In school, colleges, government offices and private organisations, the celebration is enjoyed with full enthusiasm. March Past and parade take place in schools along with other functions



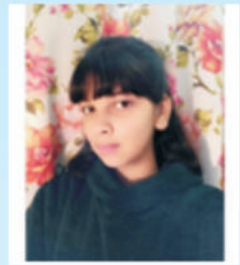
Shreya Rana
Class- 7th A



SOME FACTS ABOUT THE INDIAN CONSTITUTION



After being ruled for 200 years, India was declared independent in 1947. Two years later, the country was declared as a 'Sovereign Democratic Republic' on January 26, 1950. Ever since, the country celebrates Republic Day with splendor and pageantry. Citizens of the country witness the President of India presiding over the Republic Day Celebrations at Rajpath.



We are often taught about our struggle for freedom, independence, the drafting and adopting of the Constitution of India. So here 10 facts related to the Republic Day that will surely leave you enlightened:-

- 1.) The Indian Constitution is the longest one to be written in the world. It has 444 articles divided into 22 parts and 12 schedules. Recently, 118 amendments were added to the Constitution.
- 2.) Copies of the handwritten Constitution of Indian were signed by 308 assembly members on January 24, 1950.
- 3.) There are two copies of the Indian Constitution, one in English and one in Hindi. Both copies of the Constitution of India are handwritten. There are no printed copies of the Constitution of India. The Indian Constitution is only calligraphed.
- 4.) The original copies of the Constitution of India are preserved in helium-filled caskets at the Library of Parliament House.
- 5.) President Sukarno, the first Head of State of Indonesia was the Chief Guest for India's first Republic Day.
- 6.) During the Republic Day parade, a Christian song "Abide With Me" is played and it is considered as one of Mahatma Gandhi's favourite s9.) On the Republic Day, the Indian Air Force came into existence. Before this, the Indian Air Force was a controlled body but after Republic Day, Indian Air Force became an independent body.
- 7.) January 26, 1930 was earlier celebrated as India's Independence Day or Purna Swaraj Day. It's the day India decided to fight for complete freedom.
- 8.) On January 26 1965, Hindi was declared the national language of India.
- 9.) No foreign leader as chief guest will visit India this year on Republic day due to Global pandemic Covid-19. The last time such a situation arose was in 1966 when no chief guest was present at the event held days after the demise of, PM Lal Bahadur Shastri and the death of nuclear scientist Homi Bhabha.

Foreign leaders have graced Republic Day Parades every year barring 1952, 1953 and 1966.

- 10.) Our Constitution has the best aspects of the Constitution of other countries. Liberty, Equality and Fraternity were adopted from French Constitution while the Five-Year Plan came from the USSR Constitution.

The Republic Day 2021 is arriving soon and since most of us will be staying home this year due to pandemic, what're your plans? Let's cheer for our country while watching the parade in the cozy atmosphere of our homes.

The facts collected from Google



**Priya Ghildiyal
Class- 7B**



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 हम बच्चों का बेकार - सा सामान ।
 हर माँ को करता है बेहद परेशान ।
 तीन परियों वाली टूटी कार,
 जो उनकी लगती हैं बेकार ।
 वो बिना क्वीन वाला टूटा कैरम,
 सभी को लगता फ़ालतू हरम ।
 ये टूटे खिलौने, ये कगड़ पुराना
 हम बच्चों का हैं असली खजाना ।
 हमको सिखाता यह जरूरी पाठ,
 हर चीज़ होती है बहुत कीमती,
 जब नहीं होता कीमत का भान ।
 वरना आजकल तो बिक रहा है,
 कीड़ों के दम में इसान ।

"सात्विक गुणा"
 कृ-ब

मेरी प्यारी नन्ही गौरैया
 मेरी प्यारी नन्ही गौरैया,
 पेड़ों पर फुदकती प्यारी गौरैया।
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 कहीं डरती हो तुम मुझसे,
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 अगर मैं पास तुम्हारे आता,
 झट से क्यों उड़ जाती हो?
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 झट से तुम उड़ जाती हो।
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 पेड़ों पर फुदकती प्यारी गौरैया ॥

नाम - अनिरुध बज्ज
 कक्षा - २ 'अ'

मेरी गुड़िया
 मेरे पास एक प्यारीसी गुड़िया है।
 उसका नाम रत्ना है।
 मेरी नानी ने इसे खरीदा था।
 उसके बालों का रंग गुलाबी है।
 उसके कपड़े सुनहरे हैं।
 जब वो सोती है तो उसकी आँखें बंद हो
 जाती हैं।
 मेरी नाने उसके लिए बहुत से कपड़े सिले हैं।
 मैं उसे रोज़ सजाती हूँ।
 उसकी पीठ में एक बटन है।
 बटन दबाने पर वह नाचती है।
 मेरी गुड़िया सबसे अलग है।
 मैं अपनी गुड़िया से बहुत प्यार करती हूँ।
 ~ इशिता पंत ~ ३-स ~

यदि मैं प्रधानमंत्री बन जाऊँ
 हमारे भारतवर्ष में तैकालिक सरकार चलती है। प्रत्येक व्यक्ति युवाव
 में सज़ा हो सकता है। यदि व्यक्ति में गुण हैं, ज़ना उसे वांछनी है, तो अवश्य ही वह युवाव में
 जीत सकता है। मेरी भी रुचा है कि एक बार मैं भी प्रधानमंत्री बनूँ। यदि मैं प्रधानमंत्री
 बन गई तो देश में अनेक परेपकारी कार्य करके दिखाऊँगी।
 गरिबों के कल्याण के लिए अनेक कार्य करूँगी। छात्रों, शिक्षा से रीति
 रत छात्रों हैं। लड़कियों के लिए निःशुल्क शिक्षा की व्यवस्था की जाएगी। पिछले प्रधानमंत्रियों ने
 शिक्षा के लिए बहुत कुछ किया है। एक-एक जगह, इन्दिरा गांधी जी, राजीव गांधी जी, वर्तमान
 प्रधानमंत्री नरेन्द्र मोदी जी ने देश के लिए बहुत किया है, जो अभी रह गयी है उसे पूरा करूँगी।
 देश में निर्धन लोगों के लिए प्रेयालय खोले जायेंगे। दिव्यांगों को भी जीने का,
 स्वस्थ जीवन बिताने का हक है, उनके लिए चिकित्सालयों की व्यवस्था की जाएगी। एक बार
 मैं आरक्षण के एक ग्राम में गई थी, वहाँ कोई शिक्षित चिकित्सक नहीं था। ऐसे गाँव में शिक्षित
 चिकित्सक भेजे जायेंगे। देश में अक्षरता बहुत है, गरिबों के कल्याण युवाव समाज
 गरिबों की अवहेलना करता है, यातना देता है। ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में सभी के शिक्षित
 किया जाएगा। भ्रष्टाचार रोकने का प्रयास किया जाएगा।
सब कुछ संभव है, यदि प्रयास किया जाए।
 हिनाली बारी
 कक्षा - ५ 'अ'

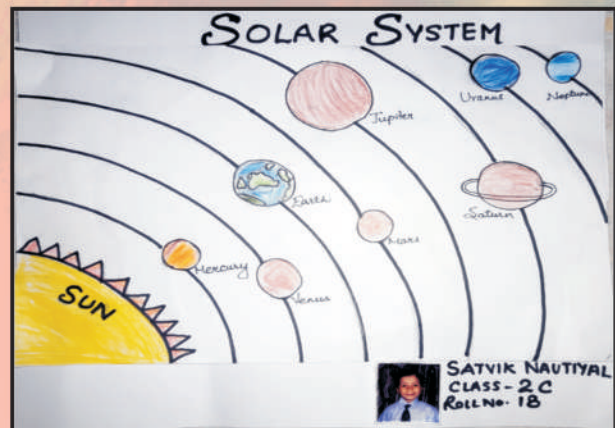
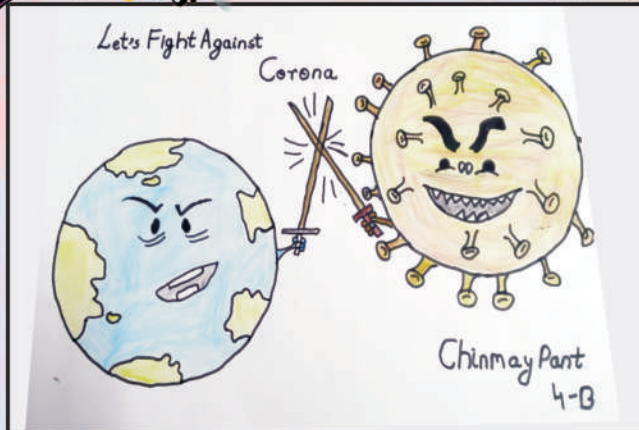
विश्व हिन्दी दिवस
 हिन्दी हमारी मातृभाषा है। यह भाषा एक सैकड़ों की
 पहचान है। विश्व हिन्दी दिवस की शुरुआत २००६
 में हुई थी। दुनिया भर में हिन्दी का प्रसार-प्रवर्ध
 करने के उद्देश्य से 'हिन्दी दिवस' मनाना जगजग है।
 १० जनवरी का दिन 'मौन' ज्ञानी भारतीयों और
 हिन्दी प्रेमियों के लिए खास है क्योंकि इसी दिन
 सन १९५७ में विश्व हिन्दी दिवस मनाया गया।
 इसी दिवस को 'विश्व हिन्दी दिवस' के रूप में भी
 हिन्दी दिवस मनाया जाता है। २००६ में तत्कालीन
 प्रधानमंत्री डॉ. मनमोहन सिंह ने विश्व हिन्दी दिवस मनाने
 को घोषणा की थी, उसके बाद हर साल १० जनवरी को विश्व
 हिन्दी दिवस मनाया जाता है। २० जनवरी, १९५५ को भारता
 के गणराज में अक्षरता दिवस मनाया गया।
 आज दुनिया के २०० से अधिक देशों में हिन्दी पढ़ाई जाती है।
 विश्व २५ भाषा में १५० करोड़ों हिन्दीविद्यमान हैं।
 हिन्दी दुनियाभर में सबसे ज्यादा बोली जाने वाली पाँच भाषाओं में से
 एक है। 'विज्ञान' में हिन्दी को अत्यधिक महत्ता का दर्जा दिया गया है।
 विश्व आर्थिक संघ की गणना में अक्षरता
 हिन्दी विश्व की १० अधिकतम भाषाओं में एक है।
 साल २०१७ में ऑक्सफोर्ड डिक्शनरी में पढ़नी का
 अर्थ 'बड़ा दिन' 'बड़ा' और 'दूर' 'महान' से
 हिन्दी शब्दों को शामिल किया गया था। इसे
 अपनी मातृभाषा पर गर्व है।
 विश्व हिन्दी दिवस
 कक्षा - ६ 'ब'

खाब
 उड़ान मेरे खाबों की,
 और खाब कब जमीन पर होते हैं।
 ये तो खुले आसमान के परिवर्त हैं,
 जो जगमगाते हैं और न सोते हैं।
 ऊँचाइयों के डर बिना,
 वो रहते हैं मुझसे घूर बिना।
 यारी की मेरे होंसलों से,
 और मुझसे नाता तोड़ दिया।
 अब उड़ते हैं, मौलो आगे,
 और मुझे पीछे जमीन पर छोड़ दिया।
 नादान है ये मुझे अपने संग,
 कहीं दूर ले जाना चाहते हैं।
 कुछ आते हैं, मेरा हाथ थामने,
 पूरे बेड़ियों से टकरा-चूर-चूर हो जाते हैं।
 मेरे खाब हसीन हैं, कोमल हैं,
 सोचती हूँ इन्हें अपना बना लूँ।
 कभी इनकी दुनिया में झाँकूँ,
 या इन्हें अपने जहाँ में बुला लूँ।
 कभी शरारती, कभी मासूम, कभी दूर, कभी पास,
 पर हैं तो मेरे अपने ये सारे खाब।
 जानती हूँ कि कब दिन पूरे होंगे ये मेरे खाब।
 रिद्धिमा श्रीवास्तव
 ६ 'अ'

"पिछला साल"
 नई संभावनाओं को तरफ़ा पिछला साल,
 कुछ ख़ौता, कुछ पाता पिछला साल।
 नई उम्मीदों को खोजता पिछला साल,
 खट्टे-मीठे अनुभवों को सँभालता पिछला साल।
 अल्ला-अल्ला रस्तों से मंजिल को तलाशता पिछला साल,
 कुछ ख़ौता कुछ पाता पिछला साल।
 अमोह के बिंदुओं का ग़म मनाता पिछला साल,
 रस्तों पर मजदूरों को श्रमकाता पिछला साल।
 परिवार और समाज के मान्यते सिखाता पिछला साल,
 फिर से पहले जैसा हो सबकुछ,
 आशाओं की नई किरणें जगाता पिछला साल।
 नई संभावनाओं को तरफ़ा पिछला साल,
 कुछ ख़ौता, कुछ पाता पिछला साल।
 नाम - शिवांग कुमर मिश्रा
 कक्षा - ४ 'ब'
 कक्षा - २४

रुक सपना
 कब तक ना पड़ा और ना फिरो तो इतने लम्बे,
 मगर जहाँ से कपड़े में बुल होना लगा,
 काश समय रुक जाला, मैं बचती हो रह जाऊँ।
 ना होना के सपना और ना फिरो पगल,
 अफ़सस लगा तो इरादों का सपना,
 अब तक नहीं था फिरो तो इरादों का सपना,
 मगर जहाँ से कपड़े में बुल होना लगा,
 काश समय रुक जाला, मैं बचती हो रह जाऊँ।
 अब पहले ना हो जाला, मैं मगर-मगर तो पलकें,
 कहीं राखी के फिरो और कहीं राखी के फिरो,
 राजाता के समय राखस अब लोका प्यार से हलते,
 कहते - 'मैंने जेठ दूर-दूर के हैं पलकें',
 मगर राखस में आने में अब हँसती - नाकी,
 अफ़सस समय रुक जाला, मैं बचती हो रह जाऊँ।
 देवेंद्री सेमवाल
 कक्षा - ३ 'अ'

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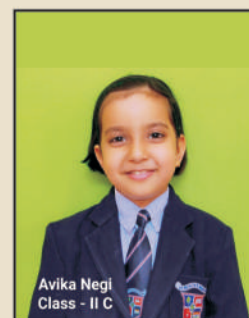


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