



## **Brother Joseph's Insights**

Covid 19 has proved to be a biggest challenge for the mankind; millions of people have been affected in one way or another. The world of education was one of its causality as the schools had to close for an indefinite time. However, it didn't take us long to evolve; accepting the challenges, St. Patrick's Academy was back on the tracks after rerouting its strategies. We recently completed the first term of the academic year 2020-21. I am grateful to the staff the students and the parents for their support through the difficult times.

St. Patrick's Academy has always laid a great focus on the overall development of the children. Our curriculum encompasses multifarious learning streams leading to one goal of preparing our students to become responsible global citizens. With this intent, we are bringing our Newsletter through which our attempt is to give a platform

to our students to exhibit their creativity through technology, art work, writings and other talents.

My wishes to the Editorial Board- may their vision and efforts yield the positive results. The Newsletter should not remain just a documentation of the school events or children's work; it should encourage the students to become creative part of it.

Let's make the most of what is given to us, let's challenge, change and channelize ourselves towards the betterment of humanity, for when we get out of the pandemic, we should be able to look back with a sense of pride that how the learning continued in spite of being hampered by lookdowns and closures!

I seek Almighty's guidance and blessings for all of us to achieve our goals. God bless you,

Brother Joseph Principal

## The Purpose and the Premise

On behalf of the Editorial Board, I welcome all to the first edition of our E Newsletter, 'Lit and Woke', an additional way to communicate and convey the activities and accomplishments of the Patricians.

So what is Lit and Woke about? Dear students, it's about you-your work, your school, your expressions and your achievements. The present times are not easy times; we are in the ninth month of the 'school lockdown'. The restrictions can be overpowering and overwhelming; can make us feel lackadaisical and drown us into the state of infertility and boredom. That's why we must keep up with our hobbies, our passions, do the things we enjoy doing and keep fanning the spark in us so that it can light up and illuminate our lives and lives around us. Lit and Woke will be your canvas on which you can pour the colours of your creativity.

We look forward to your inputs and suggestions!

Manjari Sharma

#### The Bright Star on the Horizon



CHERISH GUPTA Class- VI<sup>th</sup> A



Cherish Gupta, of Class VI<sup>th</sup>A, won International Science Olympiad with the International Rank 1 . He has achieved this rank on international level which is an amazing feat. Cherish won cash prize of Rs 50000/-and a Gold medal.

Way to go, Cherish! We are overjoyed over your achievement.

## The Student Reporter Writes...

ur world is a bright and vibrant place that was forced into the dullness of isolation as the result of a pandemic. The entire world came to a standstill and was put under the Lockdown, especially in India, where it lasted for several long months.

Everyone was affected in some or the other ways. Numerous questions arose about the future courses of action that we would have to follow, but one of the major questions we faced was 'How will the children study if all the schools and other institutions were closed?' This question seemed difficult to answer but we, humans, are an intelligent race and we figured out the remedy to this problem by introducing the new era of Online Learning. This Online Learning is beneficial in several ways and has really helped and eased the struggles the students were facing.



However, as much as the Online Learning has helped in progressing, it has also given rise to new problems. E-Learning requires an electronic device, mainly our phones and laptops. This process has undoubtedly increased students' average screen-time. The constant staring at the screen has also resulted in numerous problems and challenges. Parents have always tried to keep their children away from screens and especially long usage of electronic devices, but all their efforts are now proving to be almost useless. Long hours of screen-time has affected the students as well. Constant staring at the mobile phones and laptops has resulted in anxiety and also fatigue. Due to the current conditions, children were restricted from going out for playing and had to spend time inside their homes, here too their movements were restricted. However, now we have learnt from, and adapted ourselves to the current situation.

Children are successfully dealing with their stress and finding new ways to keep their brains active. Our school, St. Patrick's Academy, has introduced the concept of the E- Newsletter, where the students of our school can showcase their creativity and talents. The students in present times are compelled to force themselves into excessive usage of mobile devices. This has resulted in a drop in productivity and children are losing their imagination powers. So, we figured out ways to keep our brain working.

This is our School's first newsletter and students have been given a chance to showcase their talents and creativity. This newsletter will contain the experiences of the students during the Pandemic, to which, the other students will also be able to relate with. It is a golden opportunity for all of us to bring out the best in us. It is a privilege to be able to give our inputs for our E- Newsletter and also to assist in its conception. The students did not give up during the Lockdown and will not give up even if the conditions become more difficult. We have fought our growing anxiety levels and have won the battle against stress.

The Patricians are exceptional students and we believe that we will stand strong and continue our journey full of Learning. I would like to thank our Principal, Brother Joseph and the entire editorial board for the conceptualization and execution of 'Lit and Woke'. It is indeed an ingenious way to make sure that the students put their creativeness to good use.

I hope all of you would contribute towards its journey; this is just a first step!

Srijna Ghale

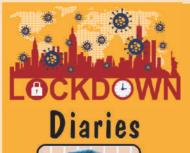
## ONLINE EXAMS: ANOTHER FEATHER IN OUR CAP

The unexpected COVID-19 situation in India affected many sectors of the country, including the education sector. All the schools had to be shut down to manage the crisis. It was amidst this that the online classes were introduced for students of every class, and our school St. Patrick's Academy, was one of the first to introduce online teaching sessions. The classroom teaching transformed into virtual teaching; which was new to all of us. This led to some student community issues, such as lack of one-on-one interaction and classroom atmosphere, network issues, and eye irritation. To evaluate online teaching effectiveness, objective type tests were conducted for every subject through google forms. As it was a successful attempt, the school decided to conduct a subjective type examination for eighty marks in every subject. The syllabus was equal to that of the half-yearly examinations conducted in the school. This was the first time any of us had given a subjective type online examination, and we were all nervous. As a student, the thoughts in my head were will our internet be stable till the end and will we be able to complete the exam on time. Since we had to keep our cameras on, it felt as if someone was always watching us. There was also no

exam atmosphere since all of us were sitting in our homes. Instead of the formal attitude we were supposed to have, all of us had a casual attitude. Many schools had asked their students to take pictures of their answer sheets and send them in the form of PDF within a fixed time. Our school did not implement this and therefore did not put any extra burden on us, so I am very thankful for that. The positive aspect of these examinations was self-assessment. The students can realize how much they have understood the concepts through the online teaching and how well they can attend the examination with confidence. It also gave us the practice that we needed for the final board examinations. The negative aspect was that since there was no effective way to monitor the students' activities, there was a high probability of cheating and copying. Overall, the approach helped engaging the students in the learning process, even though they were closed during the lockdown period.

Jeffry Winson, A

Class X



versince the Covid 19 virus spread, most of the family conversations include how the virus and pandemic has affected our lives. This virus that no one saw coming spoilt our lives in numerous ways. Ever since the World War II ended, no event in history has proved to have such effects as the pandemic. It is not wrong to think that in the future when our generation becomes parents or even grandparents, we will be passing on tales of this time to our young ones. However, not all our versions of this period will be the same or even similar. Some people hate this event but some absolutely love and enjoy the solitude of the lock down.

Teenagers have very distinct opinions on almost all subjects. For most teens, the corona virus has proved to be a bane as we all miss our school and friends and due to the restrictions, we can't meet them. This virus has put a strain on the abilities of extroverts. We all hope that the upcoming year isn't as bad as this one. Fingers crossed for an amazing 2021.

Manaar Khan Student Reporter, 9A



During this long lock down!

I started reading 'Letters from a Father to his daughter'. It is a collection of the letters written by Jawaharlal Nehru to his daughter – Indira Priyadarshini. These letters were originally published in 1929 at Nehru's request and consisted of only the 30 letters that he had sent to her in the summer of 1928 when his daughter was 10 years old. He arranged a second edition of these letters in 1931. In the first letter, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru talks about how life began in the universe and named the chapter: The 'Book of Nature'. In the following letters he speaks to his daughter Indira about the languages, trade, history, geography, science, epics and evolutions. These letters create a sense of awareness among us related to the universal truths. Nehruji wrote continuously from jail too. These letters are a timeless piece of advices and quite enlightening. Once you start reading them, you'll never stop.

Letters

From a

Father

to his

Daughter;

Book Review

Manaar Khan Student Reporter

#### Among Us: The ultimate game of the Covid Era

Among Us is an online multiplayer version of the game wink murder, but set on a constantly malfunctioning spaceship. Up to 10 players take part, and at the beginning, you're told whether you're an innocent crew member or an imposter. The crew members usually do tasks such as cleaning air vents and rebooting the systems while the others stalk around the corridor looking for people to kill. The innocent crew members do odd tasks around the spacecraft to maintain peace and system in the aircraft but at least one of them is an imposter who wants to sabotage their work and if possible, murder them. Among Us is one of the most popular video games of the year. Developed and launched in 2018, Among Us has suddenly become one of the biggest games on the PC and mobile, attracting more than 100 million players in the last six months. It's so successful, that people are bidding on the game to buy it. No one, it seems, is more surprised about the success of this game than its creators. This game is very fun and addicting during the pandemic times. Everyone must try it.

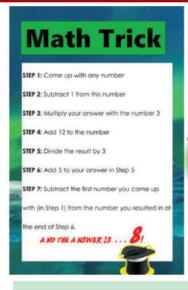
# The Point of View by the Patricians



Police: Tell me

KID: Next to my house





Místakes are proofs that you are trying



# Police: Where do you live? KID: With my parents Police: Where do your parents live? KID: With me Police: Where do you all live? KID: Together Police: Where is your house? KID: Next to my neighbors house Police: Where is your neighbors house? KID: If I tell you, you wont believe me

#### Facts About Schools Around The World

The King's School in Canterbury, England is the world's oldest school.

A school in the Philippines is made entirely of recycled pop bottles.

The largest school in the world in terms of number of students is the City Montessori School in Lucknow, India.

The children in Holland start school on their fourth birthday so there's always someone new in class.

Students in South Korea are expected to stay and help clean and tidy the classroom when lessons are over.

Avika Kumar

Class- 6D

#### HOW TO PREDICT A PERSON'S DATE OF BIRTH

With this technique you can predict the date of birth of any number of people simultaneously. You can try this trick with your family members, relatives, friends, colleagues and even at parties.



#### **STEPS**

- (a) Ask people to take the number of the month in which they were born (Jan is 1, Feb is 2 and so on .....).
- (b) Next, ask them to double the number.
- (c) Add 5 to it.

(d) Multiply it by 5.

- (e) Put a zero behind the answer.
- (f) Add their date of birth( if they are born on 05th January then add 5)

After the steps are over, ask them to tell you the final answer. And lo! Just by listening to their final answer you can predict their date of birth!

#### **SECRET**

From the answers that you get from each member of the audience,

- (a) Mentally subtract 50 from the last two digits and you will have the date.
- (b) Subtract 2 from the remaining digits and you will have the month. thus, you will easily get his date of birth.



Shambhavi Puri

## **Visiting Religious Places**

Travelling to religious places is quite enjoyable as you your spirits always remain high.......Specially when you are with your family. I, with my family travelled to Vaishno Devi last year on winter vacations. We also had fun while travelling. It was our six days trip. Then we started our journey (20.12.2019), full of excitement, fun and talking. We first stopped at Hoshiarpur at night at Hotel. We all were tired. Next day(21.12.2019)we again, resumed the journey early in the morning and had fun. Enjoying, laughing, and exploring every view. We finally reached to our Destination, Katra. We booked a hotel there and decided to stay the whole day and had rest. Next Day, we went to the way, sitting on horses. It was so beautiful to seethe city from high above. The place was snow covered and we were very joyful to see it. Then at some places



we also played with snow. We finally reached the temple. We went inside and it was so beautiful from inside. We prayed there and also explored the place. Then we wanted to go down walking but the night was spreading its darkness so we had to go down by horses again. It was a little scary sometimes while we were on horses!! There were also many



shops there and in the night the lights were sparkling like stars. We finished the trekking and came to our hotel, had dinner. At morning we checked out from the hotel and said goodbye to Katra. We were now going to Amritsar. And after few hours we reached there. Before checking into any hotel we went to Golden Temple, the most beautiful of all.

It was very beautiful and big, as well very crowded. We were so enthralled by the structure of the temple. Then we toured to JallianwalaBagh and learnt more about the incident. We also toured the Amritsar market. And finally the day came when we needed to say goodbye to the Amritsar as well, and headed home.

It is very difficult for me to describe the whole trip in just these words as it was an awesome experience!!!

Unnati Raturi 7th A

## Me in the LOCKDOWN

his is me- Akshara Mishra of 7-D. I have always been curious about learning more and more but during the beginning of lockdown I thought-"Ohh no!! Now I won't be able to learn like before" but then I realised that this is the only excellent opportunity which we can get ever for us to learn. I started learning HTML and many more coding and then gradually I started making apps and websites. One of my apps was an HTML editor with notepad supporter. This app basically comes under the category of education. This app helps us to write code and also allows us to see theoutput. If there is some kind of mistake in your code it will help you to find it and correct it and there are uncountable features in it. One more app is Clean India. This app also comes under the category of education. This app will basically help you to keep your surrounding clean and hygienic. The best feature in this app is that when you will switch on your location the app will try to tell you that how you can keep that specific area clean. Now, when I talk about websites, I have made many kinds of websites which can help us in our daily education. One of the websites which I created can help us to learn proper coding be it of HTML or JAVA or any other which we want to learn and I remember that one of my websites can help us with number system conversions. So, this is how I am utilising my time in these days by sitting at home. I hope that you all are also utilising your time.

Thank you!
Stay Home Stay Safe

Akshara Mishra

#### **Missing School**

There is a lockdown In the country Corona has ruled The world completely. Excitement is cut As schools are shut Online is the way We study today. Thinking of the memories We had in the school time Teachers explaining chapters As if swapping a story. It's my desire to go to school See my new class and teachers But due to corona What can we do?

> Ashmita Khetrapal 6D

## **Thoughts of a Pencil**

Seized in a human's hand, For writing here and there Positioned in a pencil stand, When no use anywhere

The time I always remember, Traded for a special price Gifted by your dearly mother Along with several yellow stripes

Treating like a precious gem A Diamond or a Ruby, But also like a rotten stem Keeping some times sloppily

Helping you to write a plan Even improving all your flair Placed in a pencil stand When no use anywhere.





Ridhima Srivastava

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## Be Positive

Trust in your dreams
And you will see
Just how
Happy your heart can be

Follow your passion
To become the fashion
Girl of the week
You can be

Reach the stars
And never stop
Your are a winner
You will reach the top.

**Saanvi** VC

#### We miss our school

We miss our school And all the rules

We miss our school's garden grass With beautiful flowers

We miss the stairs and All the chairs

We miss the teachers who always care They all have kind heart

We miss our school's library
With outstanding books and dictionaries

Arjun Lakhera 5C

### My Dream

I had a strange dream last night That I had a big roadside fight

The robbers tried to snatch my chain And I was in pain

But then I remembered my Taekwondo skills And made them ready with their hospital bills

I kicked straight on the face
And quickly picked up the pebbles from that place

I threw them all and began to laugh And ran down the lane wherever it lead

I fought bravely and reached back home safely But then I was shouted at for being a fool As usual, I was getting late for school.

Veeraj Dhir 5-C

## What do you say?

Oh Moon! Oh Moon! What do you say? I say sleep; sleep, after you pray.

Oh Sun! Oh Sun! What do you say? I say wake up; wake up, to work and pray.

Oh Sky! Oh Sky! What do you say? I say fly high; fly high, and enjoy the day.

> Abhigya Kamboj Class-IInd A

## **Numbers**

Numbers, numbers all around, Everywhere these could be found Numbers tell us how old I am, They also tell how to count.

Numbers tell us when to wake up and sleep, What size shoes would fit my feet? The amount of money things will cost A phone number to call, if I am lost.

Aanya Dutt

## A Grasshopper

Hop, hop and hop A mysterious grasshopper hops Every time it hops, on plants and trees tops It never stops.

Hop, hop and hop A mysterious grasshopper hops Three legs on its right Three legs on its left Sometimes it's dull, Sometimes it's bright.

Hop, hop and hop A mysterious grasshopper hops With delicacy of snake that hisses in vain And attitude offrog that croaks under the rock.

Hop, hop and hop A mysterious grasshopper hops. On the grass top.

**Chinmay Sagar** 

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I love my school, I love my school.

Every morning I dream to go back to my beautiful school. I wish to wear the uniform that makes me look cool! O yes, o yes!

I, truly, love my wonderful school.

I remember the days when I wore the ID badge That always made me proud of being attached To the school which is best in town But now the gates are closed and windows down

I remember going to school at 8
The school bus used to drop us straight.
I had friends all around
No one was my foe.

I love my school, I miss my school.

Grishma Khurana 4C

"In pursuit of Excellence" has become the new motto of the young Patricians. With pandemic encapsulating the world, pausing life of every individual irrespective of their age group ......gave opportunities to our kids to explore the best on net and groom themselves in their own ways.

#### Whatsapp, Instagram, facebook, telegram have been

overridden by code.org.

Our students are developing their skills using Internet and spending time on educational sites in constructive manner. Here are few glimpses of young *Geeks*.

It's a pleasure to have such techno savvy students who are so bright, that nothing can ever stop them to reach zenith.....

Believing to bring more bits and bytes from our junior champs in next edition......







## What's the Good Word?

Not only the students, but the teachers can also fall into the abyss of nothingness. Dear readers, like most of the people, I, too, have been struggling to spend my time productively as the screens take away most of it.

However, it was on the net only I rediscovered my passion for words, rediscovered because the words keep on changing and growing. As it is said, the more you share, the more you will learn, I am sharing some amazing words with their meanings with you:

**Doomscrolling:** Doomscrolling is the tendency to continue to surf or scroll through bad news, even though that news is saddening, disheartening, or depressing. Example in a sentence: I kept on doomscrolling the news on Covid.

**Climate Emergency:** Climate Emergency is defined as a situation in which urgent action is required to reduce or halt climate change and avoid potentially irreversible environmental damage resulting from it.

**Example:** Greta Thunburg's mission is to make all aware of the climate emergency we are facing.

Aptagram: An anagram whose meaning is relevant to that of the original text that was anagrammed.

Moon starer is aptagram of an astronomer or in one of the Harry Potter books, the name 'Tom Morvolo Riddle' is aptagram of 'I am lord Voldemort.'

Lit and Woke: Both the words are millennial slangs; Lit means excellent and woke means social aware.

**Use in a sentence:** We are hoping that Lit and Woke will inspire the Patricians to read and they might become neologists (one who coins a new word or new words) in future!

Stay Lit and Woke!

## िहिन्दी हैं हम

## मैं खुश हूँ

कोरोजा काल हैं, तो क्या? मैं इस पल में भी खुश हूँ।

मैं स्कूल नहीं जा रही, तो वया? मैं घर से पढ़ाई करके भी खुश हूँ।

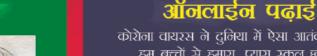
आज दोस्त साथ नहीं है तो क्या? उनकी तस्वीर देखकर ही खुश हूँ।

> किसी से मिल नहीं सकती, तो क्या? उनकी आवाज़ से ही खुश हूँ।

चटपटी चाट समोसे नहीं हैं, तो क्या? मैं घर के स्वादिष्ट खाने से खुश हूँ।

नहीं चाहिए खुशी का कोई बहाना, मैं बस खुश रहने के लिए खुश हूँ।

> अनाया चौहान कक्षा-४ अ



कोरोना वायरस ने दुनिया में ऐसा आतंक मवाया हम बच्चों से हमारा, प्यारा स्कूल छुड़ाया घर में हुए कैंद्र मन बहुत ही घबराया अपने दोस्तों का ख्याल बार-बार हमें आया पढ़ाई-लिखाई पर हमारे घोर संकट मंडराया फिर ऑनलाइन पढ़ाई का नया तरीका आया स्कूल ने हमें फिर जूम में परिचय करवाया टीचर्स और दोस्तों से उसने हमें मिलवाया बहुत मेहनत से हमें सभी टीचर्स ने पढ़ाया कई सारी खेल क्रियाओं से भी मन बहलाया फिर ऑनलाइन परीक्षा से हर बच्चा थर्स्या पर इस नये अनुभव ने हमें बहुत कुछ सिखाया है मानक! तू मुक्किल में जाने क्यूं रोता है हर समस्या का जीवन में हल जरूर होता है।

सात्विक गुप्ता कक्षा-५ बी



#### मेरी पहली कलम

जैसे ही मैं पहुँचा कक्षा पाँच में पेंसिल की जगह पेन आ गया मेरे हाथ में देखते ही पेन मेरा मन हर्षाया कॉपी में कुछ लिखने को मेरा मन ललचाया काले-नीले सुंदर अक्षार बनते देख मैं इतराऊँ गलती हो जाय मात्रा की तो मैं अपना सर खुजलाऊँ गलती करने के बाद, मुझे याद आती रबड़ भाई की वही रबंड जो मेरी माता मेरे लिए लाई थी यदि वह पेंसिल होती, तो मैं अपनी गलती सुधारता मगर अब यह कलम है, अब मै फिर अपना सर खुजलाता सोवा एक सुंदर सी कविता मैं बनाऊँ अपने मन के भावों को लिखकर मैं समझाऊँ लिखते -लिखते नोक टूटी मेरी कलम की तब याद आई मुझे अपने शार्पनर भाई की यदि यह पेंसिल होती, तो मैं इसे शार्पनर से बनाता मगर अब तो यह कलम है, अब इसका मुहँ टेह्ना हो जाता टेढे महँ से यह मुझे चिढाता अब फिर से मैं अपना सिर खुजलाता अरे मैं फिर से सर खुजलाऊँ अब मैं कैसे करूं इसे ठीक

> स्वरचित द्वारा चिन्मय सागर कक्षा- षब

होगा खड़ व शार्पनर की याद से, और विस्वर्त

परंतु, अब मुझे मिल चुकी है सीख

होगा हर अक्षर व शब्द ठीक ।

मैं हो गया हूँ बडा, अब मुझे पीछा छुडाव

#### कोरोना

चीन से आया ये कोरोना। कहता वो भी घर पर रहना।। मेरे प्यारे देशवासियों तुम भी सुनना। मोदी जी का है ये कहना।।

कारोगा ने ते तिया जैसे। चीन, ईटली को अपनी-चपेट मे।। अगर हम बाहर निकले वैसे। ये ते तेगा हमको अपनी लपेट में।।

सोशल डिप्टेशिंग का पालन करना। मारक, सैनेटाइजर का प्रयोग करना।। कुछ दिन और हैं इसको सहना। फिर वापस सबको हैं मिलना।।

> स्वीकृति भण्डारी कक्षा- ४ ए





## Art 2020





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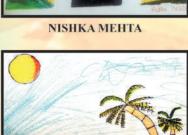




DEVANSHI SEMWAL Class : VII<sup>th</sup> A



AAHANA NEGI Class : II<sup>nd</sup> A



JAISVI PANDITA Class : I' B



RIDHIMA RANA Class: VII<sup>th</sup> A



ADYAN ANSARI Class : II<sup>nd</sup> A



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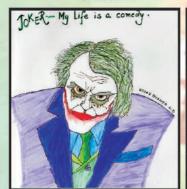
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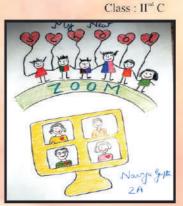
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DARSHITA BHANDARI Class : V<sup>th</sup> D



NAVYA GUPTA Class: 2nd A



























#### The PTM



After months of virtual interactions, the students of class X, along with their parents finally got a chance to meet their teachers face to face, in the PTM, held on Saturday 7th October 2020 in the auditorium of St. Patrick's Academy.



Classes VI to IX conducted a virtual PTM for their respective classes on Zoom to interact one on one with parents.

The agenda was to discuss the First Term examination result and the progress of the child.

The parents were very encouraging and supportive and were extremely appreciative of the efforts taken by the Management, our respected Principal Rev. Brother Joseph and the teachers.



They acknowledged that teachers have put in their sincere best in providing guidance to their children. They also appreciated the opportunities of the various activities and competitions that their wards get to participate in even during these times.

Overall the PTM proved to be a fruitful one.

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