

**BUNTS SANGHA'S
S M SHETTY INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL & JUNIOR COLLEGE
AN IB WORLD SCHOOL**

THE BUZZ

February - April 2021



ENGAGE • EMPOWER • ENLIGHTEN •

Achievements

It is with immense pride and great pleasure that we announce - **International Years Early Years Curriculum is 2nd in Times Pre-school survey 2020 under K-12 Schools, International Curriculum category.**

Where Excellence is a Habit and Compassion the Culture

Bunts Sangha's S M Shetty International School and Junior College offers a progressive education with hands-on learning experiences that engage, empower and enlighten every learner every day. A complete international school, it offers the International

levels are the hallmark of the school. The School Enterprise Challenge, EUMIND, International Schools Award, Global Goals and Generation Global are some of the International projects that students are a part of. IEYC students participated in a Travelling Mural



spaces where children can develop their own ideas and interests, enquiry-based learning takes place every day. IEYC makes a positive contribution to children's long term development and learning by facilitating an enabling and stimulating environment in these foundation stages of life-

and inclusive education the school has a full-fledged Counselling Centre that caters to differently abled children. Regular sessions on life skills are conducted for all students and teachers.

The school has a 'Professional Learning Network' where teachers conduct workshops, learning circles and carry out action research. The teachers are examiners and trainers for organizations at National and International level. They also participate in workshops, seminars, national and international conferences. Teachers in IEYC have been trained by the IEYC Head-Fieldwork Education - UK. The IEYC Coordinator Madhuban Ghosh is a certified trainer of the IEYC Curriculum - Fieldwork Education, UK and is also on the Advisory Board and Curriculum Developer for International Early Years Curriculum-UK.

With an aim to ensure that every child receives the very best head start in their life-long journey of learning the school is devoted to building relationships while challenging students to excel. Bunts Sangha's S M Shetty International School and Junior College is truly a school committed to making a difference.

Early Years Curriculum (IEYC) from Fieldwork Education, UK at Kindergarten Years, Cambridge Curriculum from Grades 1 to 12 and the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme for Grades 11 and 12.

One of the few ISO 21001:2018 certified educational organizations in the city, Bunts Sangha's S M Shetty International School and Junior College is Ranked No. 10 in Maharashtra and No. 9 in Mumbai. Category International Schools (Maharashtra Top 20 International Schools) in survey conducted by a leading magazine and ranked in Times School Survey 2020 published on October 29, 2020 by OMS (a division of Times Internet Limited), a research by Market Xcel Data Matrix Pvt. Ltd. Outstanding results at all



Project where they collaborated with schools across the world to create murals of peace and friendship.

The IEYC uses international one of the best practices, holistic enquiry and play-based approaches that cover personal, social and emotional development of children. With the emphasis on depth of understanding, the process of learning shifts the focus from measuring outcomes to driving children's learning and development. Through learning

long learning. It is an ideal curriculum for a smooth transition between early years and Grade I.

Alongside academics, the school ensures holistic development of the child through yoga, meditation, sports, music, art and dance. Children participate in activities that engage them, excite them and provide experiences that prepare them for the future. Strong values are instilled among the students through the Kindness Curriculum that helps build resilience and well-being. The school undertakes several green initiatives to promote sustainable development with active participation from students. Community service is a vital part of student life across the school. The school also fosters a high degree of family engagement through various programmes.

Firm believers of equity



pg 2 TIMES Preschool Sunday, January 31, 2021

Times Preschool Survey 2020

The Primary Objective of the Research was to arrive at a list of Top Preschools in Mumbai

PARAMETER WISE RANKINGS		MULTI-CENTRE FRANCHISE AND COMPANY OWNED PRESCHOOLS	
INNOVATIVE TEACHING		K-12 SCHOOLS, NATIONAL CURRICULUM	
Preschool Name	Rank	Name	Rank
Singapore International Preparatory School - SG PREP	1	NE Vidya High School, Mira Road	1
Mindsoo Preschool & Daycare	2	Podar Jumbo Kids Ambarnath	2
Podar Jumbo Preschool & Daycare	3	New Harbor Public School and Prepam Kids, New Palm	3
Podar Jumbo Kids Plus	4	University High School, Dahanu East	4
Kangaroo Kids International Preschool	5	Podar International School, Malad West	5
Funsoo Preschool	6	Rishi International School (RIS), Nallasopara West	6
Carolla Academy	7		
Bright Start International Preschool	8		
Happy Minds International	9		
New Harbor Scholars School & New Kids	10		
Little Angels Pre-K	11		
Ayan Shiksha Montessori	12		
Spring Exotic International Preschool	13		
Dandel International Kindergarten	14		
Shri Datta International School (Kids Kids Preschool)	15		
PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT		K-12 SCHOOLS, INTERNATIONAL CURRICULUM	
Preschool Name	Rank	Name	Rank
Podar Jumbo Kids Plus	1	NEI Reshika Vidyapeeth, Garodia West	1
Funsoo Preschool	2	Bunts Sangha's S.M. Shetty International School & J. College, Powai	2
Singapore International Preparatory School - SG PREP	3	Bright Start International Preschool, Open House	3
Mindsoo Preschool & Daycare	4	Genova International Centre for Learning, Chhatrapati East	4
Podar Jumbo Preschool & Daycare	5	Pankaj International School, Santacruz East	5
Kangaroo Kids International Preschool	6	Podar International School, Thane	6
Bright Start International Preschool	7	Deeksha International School, Malad West	7
Carolla Academy	8	Borjudy Cambridge International School, Andheri East	8
New Harbor Scholars School & New Kids	9		
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EMERGING MULTI-CENTRE FRANCHISE AND COMPANY OWNED PRESCHOOLS		K-12 SCHOOLS, EMERGING NATIONAL CURRICULUM	
Preschool Name	Rank	Name	Rank
Kids School	1	Rishi International School, Mira Road	1

For further details contact: 9372415631, 022-61327346/60 between 8.30 am to 3.00 pm www.smshettyinstitute.org tmischool@smshettyinstitute.org

Achievements

On 20th February, 2021, students from **IEYC III** participated and emerged as winners in **VitaAthletics – Pre-Primary Interschool Online Competition** conducted by **Dr. Pillai Global Academy, Borivali**. Heartiest congratulations to all our little athletes.



Flip the Glass Race – Vivaan Unni
IEYC III B – 1st position



Crab Walk Race – Tisha Rusia
IEYC III C – 2nd position



Jumping with both the feet and crossing the obstacles Race – Jayraj Manekar and Hazell Parekh of IEYC III A – 1st position



Ball and Balloon Race – Shreehan Adawade and Ruhee Lad of IEYC III B – 3rd position

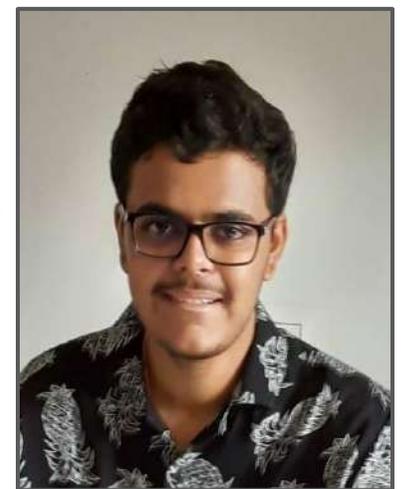


Glass Tower Race – Vaani Patel
IEYC III C – 3rd position

Sae Durve of **IEYC II C** has made our school proud by achieving the 5th rank in the **Mastermind National Level Championship (EVS)**. Heartiest congratulations to our little Sae!



Under 19 International Chessathon, Pallash Dwivedi of IB II secured 9th position in the chess competition which is organised by **SFA**.



Achievements

Ayaan Ram from **CP I**, won **4 gold medals** and **1 silver medal** at the prestigious **ISAFF India National Sports championship 2020-21**.

Maharashtra won the championship too.

He is now all set to go to **Nepal** to compete in the **South Asian Championship** in May.



Yoga is a practice that unites the mind and body. Govandi Education Society organised the '**Suryanamaskar Competition**'. 10 schools across Mumbai participated in this competition. **Ayaan Ram** participated in this competition and bagged the **2nd prize** among 95 participants.



Ayaan Ram, won **5 gold medals** at **15th SAFAM Maharashtra sports Aerobics** held at Nashik on 28th February 2021 and 1st March 2021. He will represent Maharashtra at Nationals level. ISAFF INDIA 2021 will be held in Goa in April 2021

It's a proud moment for all of us.

We wish him the very best.



LogiQId Mental Aptitude Olympiad

Our little ones have once again carved a niche for themselves and brought laurels for our school. **IEYC III** students participated in the **LogiQId Mental Aptitude Olympiad 2020-21** and have secured the following ranks at the **State Level**.



Shreehan Sachin Adawade
IEYC III B - 1st rank



Ira Parag Joshi
IEYC III B - 3rd rank



Evan Bharat Amal
IEYC III A - 4th rank



Daiwik Agrawal
IEYC III B - 5th rank



Jaksh Ketan Gada
IEYC III A - 6th rank



Reet Kaur Ahuja
IEYC III A - 14th rank



Jayraj Meghraj Manerkar
IEYC III A - 17th rank

Congratulations

Achievements

Learning has no age bar, such is the standard set by our student **Prisha Sood**, of **CP II E**. Last year, she took up external online classes organized by **SRI SATHYA SAI SEVA ORGANIZATION**. Prisha completed the course and entered the regional level competition that was conducted in the month of November and December. She took part in five competitions:

1. Elocution Competition where she narrated the story **“Imandaar Lakdhara (Honest Wood Cutter)”**
2. Shloka Recitation where she recited **"Saraswati Vandana"**.
3. On the spot **drawing and colouring competition** where she drew Goddess Laxmi.
4. Poster with slogan Competition based on **Swachh Bharat Swasth Bharat**.
5. **Dress up competition** where she dressed as Goddess Laxmi.

It was a proud moment for S M Shetty International School and Junior College as she secured first position in four competitions and 2nd position in one competition.



Science Olympiad Foundation Competition

Hearty congratulations! to **Abbas Beg** of **CP IV** for having scored **40/40** in the **SOF International Mathematics Olympiad** and achieving the **first rank** in the **Class, Zone, Region, and International** category.



Abbas Beg
CP IV

We congratulate to **Svara Nandgirikar** of **CP II** for having scored **40/40** in the **SOF International English Olympiad**. She achieved the **first rank** at the **class level**.



Svara Nandgirikar
CP II

Determination and dedication coupled with hard work can bring out excellent outcomes. The results of the **International English Olympiad (IEO)** for this academic year were declared, and we are delighted to share the result with you. **Ananya Harish** of **CP IV C** has secured **International rank 1** with a score of **40/40**. Congratulations Ananya !! You always make us proud.



STUDENT NAME:	ANANYA HARISH
ORIGINAL ROLL NO:	MH7385-04-009
REVISED ROLL NO:	MH7385-04-009
CLASS:	04
MARKS SCORED:	40/40
INTERNATIONAL RANK:	1
INTERNATIONAL AWARD WON:	Gifts Worth Rs. 1000/- + International Gold Medal + Certificate of Outstanding Performance
REGIONAL RANK:	1
ZONAL RANK:	1
ZONAL AWARD WON:	N.A.
CLASS RANK:	1
SCHOOL AWARD WON:	Participation Certificate
SCHOOL:	BUNTS SANGHA'S S.M SHETTY INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL & JR. COLLEGE (IGCSE) MUMBAI MAHARASHTRA

International English Olympiad (IEO)

The result of the **International English Olympiad (IEO)** conducted by **Science Olympiad Foundation** for this academic year was declared. Out of 97 students who participated, 13 students were awarded gold medals of excellence. The following students made us proud.



Ananya Harish of CP IV C

International Gold Medal and Certificate of outstanding performance along with a gift worth Rs. 1000/-



Abhir Ghalke of CP III A

International Silver Medal and Certificate of outstanding performance along with a gift worth Rs. 1000/-



Angad Singh of CP V D

Zonal Gold Medal and Certificate of Zonal excellence along with a gift worth Rs. 1000/-



Aahana Tolani of CP III A
Medal of distinction



Saanvi Gaikwad of CP III C
Medal of distinction

International Science Olympiad (ISO)

The result of the **International Science Olympiad (IEO)** for this academic year was declared by the Science Olympiad Foundation.

The following students made us proud.



Abhir Ghalke of CP III A
International Silver medal & certificate
of outstanding performance & gift worth
Rs 1000/-



Ananya Harish of CP IV C
Zonal Bronze medal & certificate of zonal
excellence & gift worth Rs 1000/-



Aindri Omar of CP III D
Medal and Certificate of distinction



OUR SCHOOL HAS WON THE FAI-TO (INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION) AGAINST AIRDS HIGH SCHOOL, AUSTRALIA IN MANGAHIGH MATHEMATICS COMPETITION

Airds High School

Milkshake Cup Trophy

SM Shetty International School

WINNER

SM Shetty International School

Whole School Events

Colgate, a renowned brand in oral health, conducted a session for our students of CP in the 1st week of February. They explained the importance of **Dental Hygiene** brushing. It was a fun session in the form of stories to make our little ones aware of the significance and benefits of oral health.



The students of CPIII presented '**Life in a Pandemic**' on Monday 1st March. The students beautifully portrayed the **4 stages of pandemic** : the panic situation, the new normal, the unlock period and the cure stage i.e vaccine. The act was amazingly narrated by our little comperes. Students performed skits, sang songs and also danced on the theme to make this assembly the most memorable one.



Whole School Events

On 12th February 2021, students of **Grade IV** experienced a **Educational Fruit & Vegetable Tour**, live from a farm at Panchgani. The farmer shared details of the season, temperature, weather, health benefits along with the process of how it is grown in the farm. The students enjoyed identifying and learning about different vegetables and fruits. They were made to realise the efforts needed, right from sowing seeds till it reaches our plate and never to waste food.

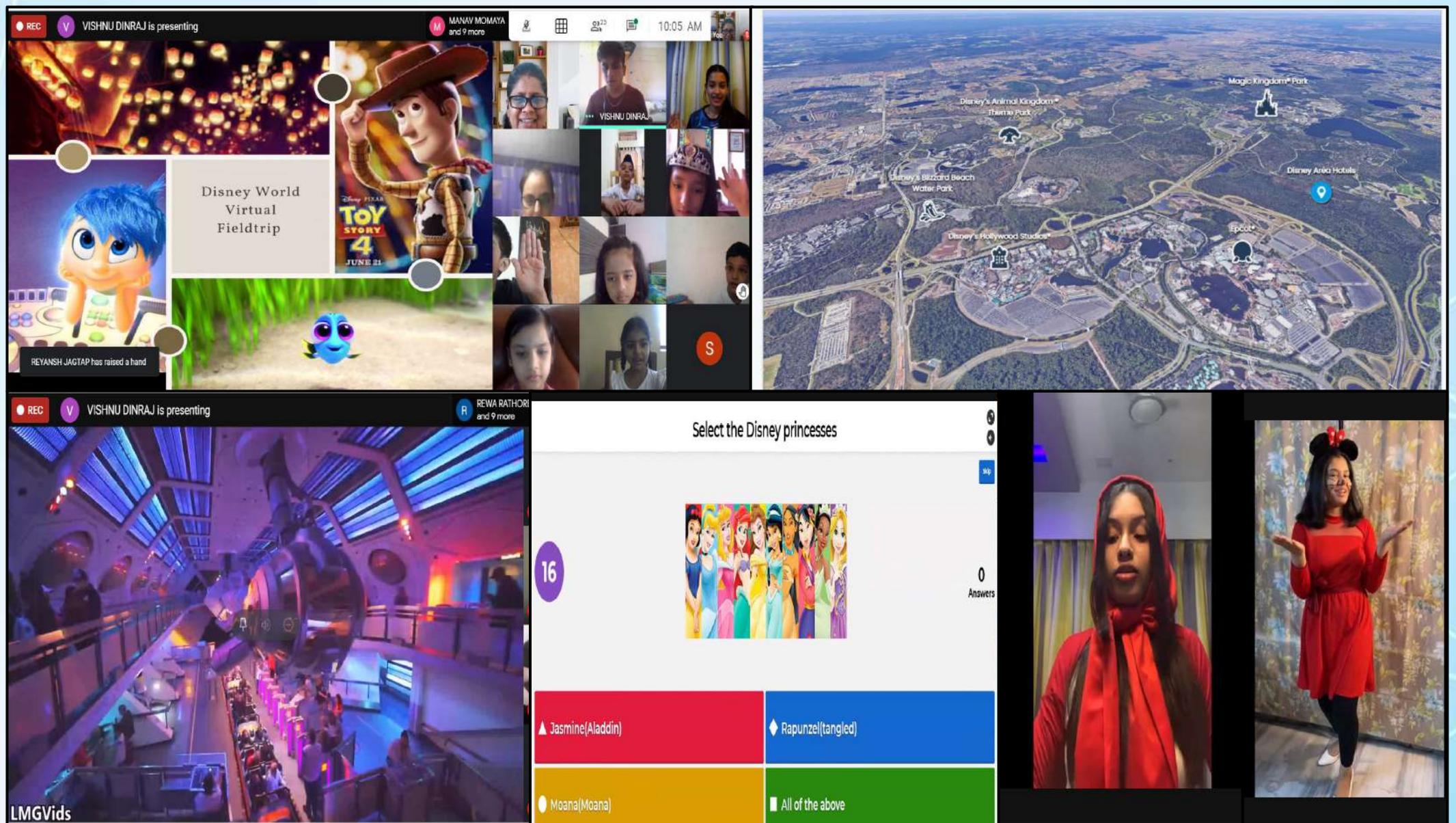


'**मराठी भाषा सप्ताह**' was celebrated in the last week of February from **22nd to 26th February 2021**. **CP students** presented songs as well as created informative quizzes about the significance of 'Marathi Bhasha Diwas' while some dedicated poems to famous Marathi poet 'Kusumagraj' whose birthday is celebrated as 'मराठी राजभाषा दिवस'. Students presented humorous scripts. These activities gave an opportunity to our students to understand the importance of Marathi language and express their ideas and thoughts clearly and gain more confidence.



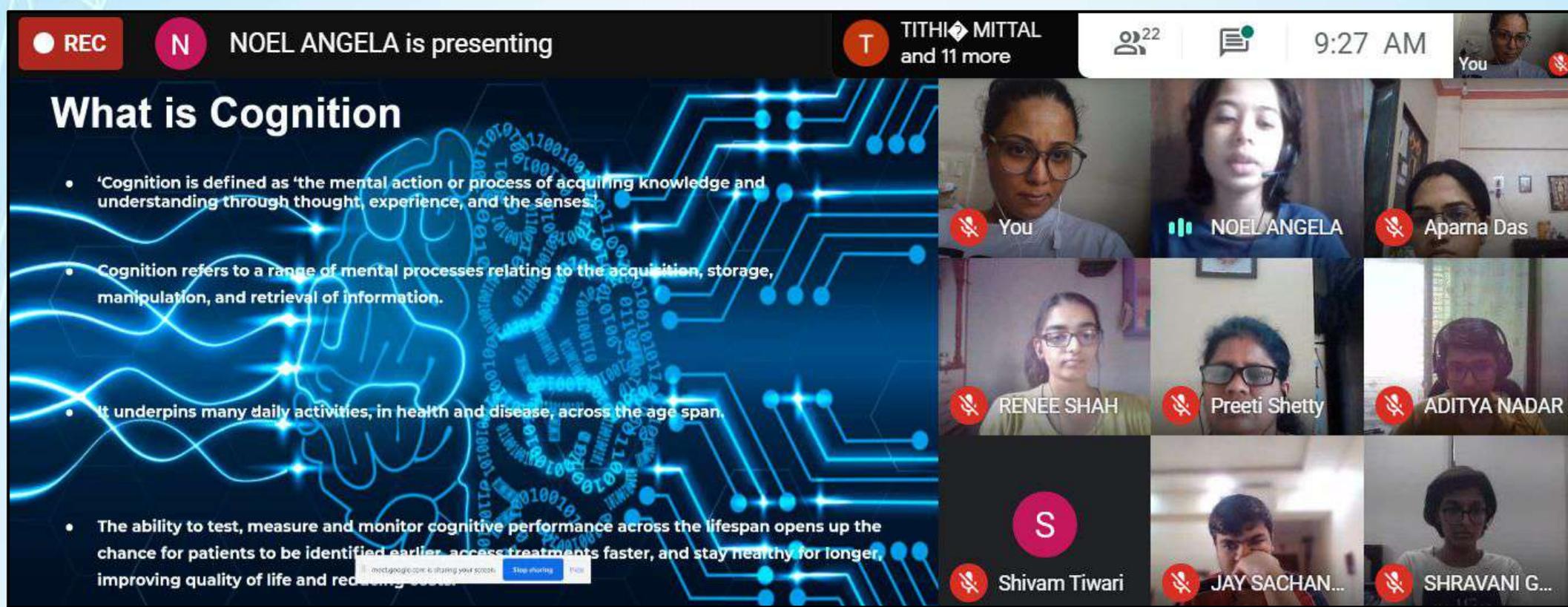
Whole School Events

IBDP-I ITGS students Aditya Nadar and Vishnu Dinraj explored an **unit IT in Education – Virtual field trip** and created a virtual trip on **Disneyland**. The trip included Funfacts about Disneyland as learnings, Mickey mouse talking to the kids through an animation created, 3-D videos of the rides in Disneyland through links on the map, a quiz activity to test students previous knowledge on the theme through a kahoot activity and hosts dressed as Disney characters and speaking to the kids as the highlights. With the help of their classmates **Shambhavi Nair, Dhruv Sisodia, Tithi Mittal & Christine Nazareth**, they showcased their google slides to the **CP I** students on their last day of school. Students and teachers enjoyed the session conducted and conveyed their appreciation on the padlet created by the **IBDP-I students**.



Whole School Events

The students of **IBDP 1** made presentations on “**GAMING**” from a perspective of **IT, Psychology, Business Management and Economics** on 23rd April. Students did extensive research and spoke on topics from evolution of the gaming industry, careers in gaming, understanding the impact of video games on our social life, gaming an addiction, etc. Collaboration of various subjects enhanced the discussions and helped in deeper understanding of the topic presented.



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What is Cognition

- 'Cognition is defined as 'the mental action or process of acquiring knowledge and understanding through thought, experience, and the senses.'
- Cognition refers to a range of mental processes relating to the acquisition, storage, manipulation, and retrieval of information.
- It underpins many daily activities, in health and disease, across the age span.
- The ability to test, measure and monitor cognitive performance across the lifespan opens up the chance for patients to be identified earlier, access treatments faster, and stay healthy for longer, improving quality of life and reducing costs.

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S You NOEL ANGELA Aparna Das RENEESHAH Preeti Shetty ADITYA NADAR Shivam Tiwari JAY SACHAN... SHRAVANI G...

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GAMING IN BUSINESS & ECONOMICS



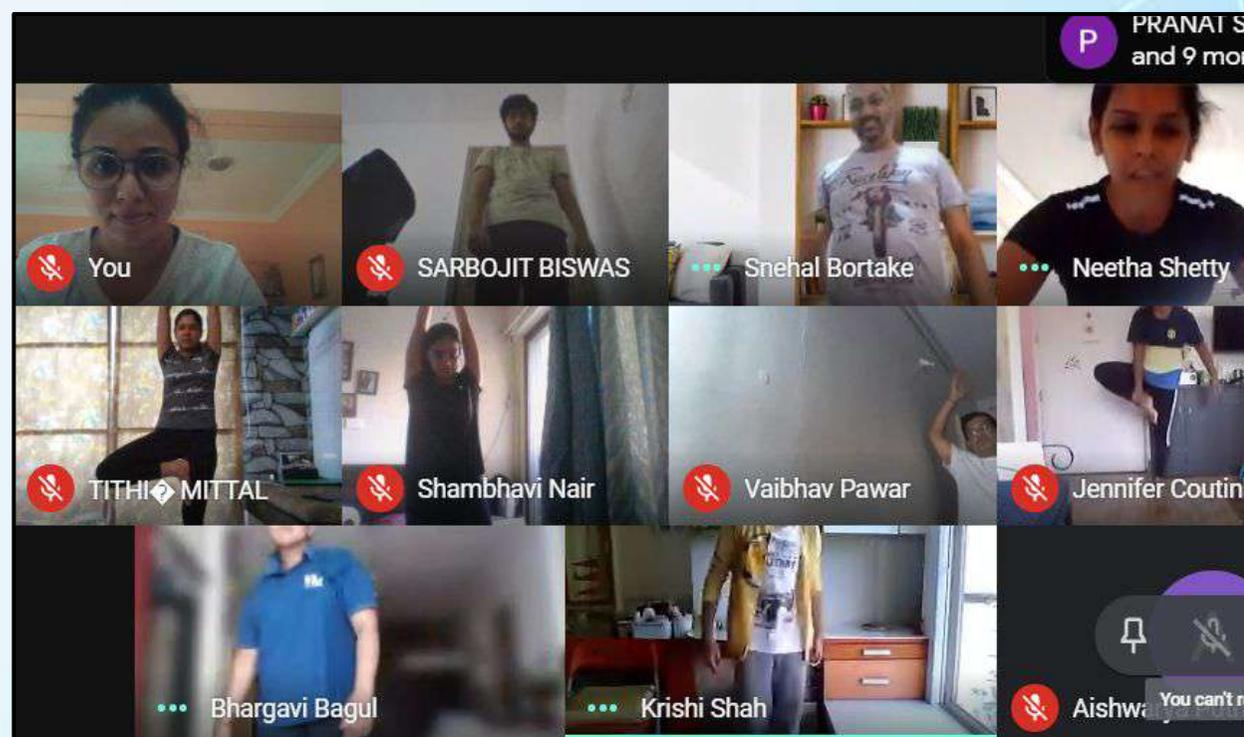
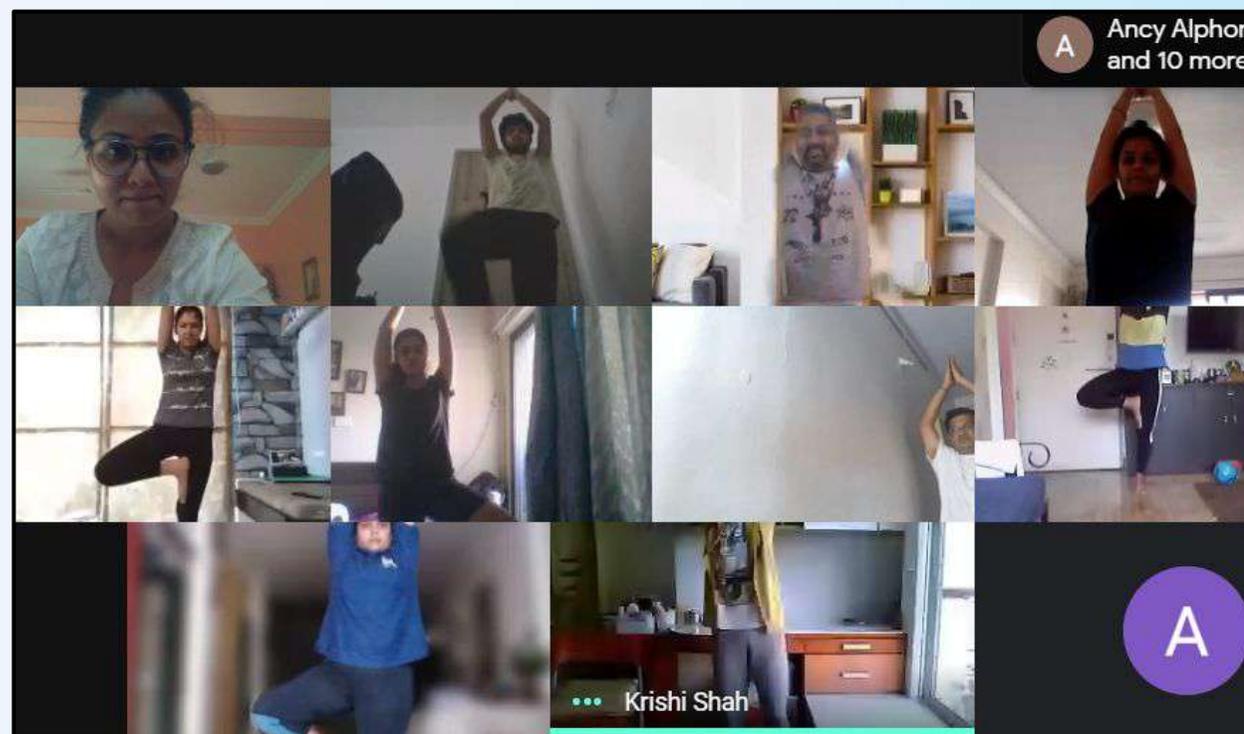
Sports Events

6th April was proclaimed the **International Day of Sport and Development and Peace** by the **UNITED NATIONS**. Sport has the power to change the world; it is a fundamental right, a powerful tool to strengthen social ties and promote sustainable development and peace and well as solidarity, and respect.

The COVID-19 pandemic has made it difficult to gather as friends, for teams and fans to compete, play and cheer together. It has taken a toll on individuals, societies, organizations and economies. But sport itself can help play a role in building resilience and in the recovery from the pandemic.

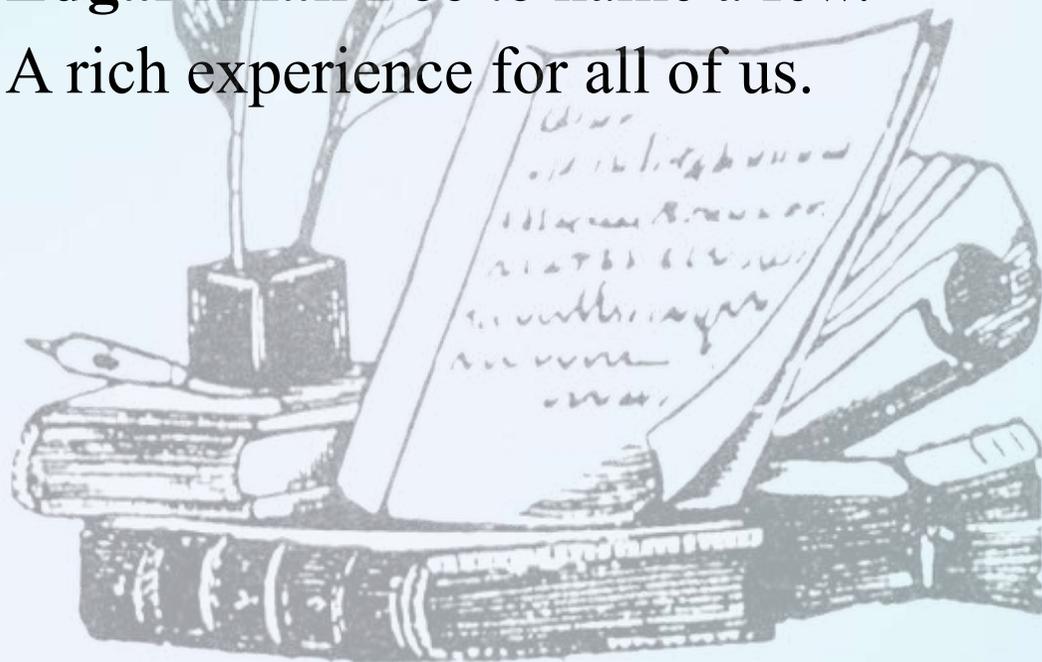
The students of **IBDP1** initiated a **CAS program** causing awareness of the importance of Sports. Taking into consideration the current **COVID restrictions**, they organised spot jogging for the entire school and an energetic **ZUMBA** session for the teachers.

As a school we contributed over 2000 minutes to the spirit of sports and inculcating the values of fairness, teambuilding, equality, inclusion and perseverance.



World Poetry Day

Students of IGCSE I, celebrated on the **World Poetry Day**, on **March 21st**. They researched on different poets of the world and their works. It was a rich exchange of ideas, perspectives, ideologies, insights and feelings above all in the English ESL classes. Students got the opportunity to read, analyse and understand the work of renowned poets and share the same with their friends. Students presented the work of **Rabindranath Tagore, Robert Frost, Maya Angelou, John Keats, T S Eliot, Edgar Allan Poe** to name a few. A rich experience for all of us.



Info:

- Emily Elizabeth Dickinson was an American poet.
- Little known during her life, she has since been regarded as one of the most important figures in American poetry.
- She was born on 10th December, 1830.
- She passed away on 15th May, 1886.



Rabindranath Tagore.

BY HARSH GADHAVI



VIKRAM SETH

By:- Hiya Bhanushali
Ig 1A



Who is amanda gorman?



Amanda gorman a 22 year old who is an american poet and activist. Her work mainly focuses on issues such as oppression, feminism, race, etc.

Gorman discovered her talent for poetry when she was still very young. A third-grade teacher captured her attention with Ray Bradbury's poem "Dandelion Wine".

Gorman attended New Roads, a private school in Santa Monica. She then went on to graduate from harvard university in 2020 where she studied sociology.

Lit-O-Mania

The school conducted an Inter School Literary Festival LIT-O MANIA –2021 on 14th February 2021. The theme for this year was the emotion of LOVE. 24 schools across the country and schools from Singapore and Dubai participated in this event. 280 students excitedly exhibited their passion for language and literature and competed for awards in ten interesting competitions like Monomania, Doodlomania, Rhymes and Tickles, Spoofomania, Mind Over Matter, Just a Minute and more. A special competition for teachers was introduced this year. Genesis Global School Noida won the Lit O Mania trophy.

Here's a gist of the innovative competitions :

1. Rhymes & Tickles: The theme of this competition being humour, it allowed the participants to use their expressions and poems to tickle the funny bone of the spectators. It was a tough one as it is very difficult to make people laugh. This event had the maximum participation and was truly a celebration of expression.

2. Mind over Matter: This elocution competition had love as the central theme. Students spoke on a range of topics like Love over tradition, Love or Logic? The different love (LGBTQ), Is self-love justified?, Finding love on digital platforms - is love becoming a virtual phenomenon? It was indeed enlightening to know the mind of the young and their thought process. Students impressed the judges with their point of view and line of thinking.

3. Just a minute: Speaking on a topic extempore with just about 10 minutes of preparation and that too for the global competition is definitely a tall order. Students had to use multiple skills like critical thinking, analysis, creativity, and communication to establish their opinion. Participants amazed the judges with their performance.

4. Love n Literature: This quiz based on literature and romantic novels definitely had the participants revisit the books they would have read in their minds again. The winners were definitely the readers.



The Elusive Love

binding,

liberating,

eluding

makes me travel along with you like the fallen leaves of autumn,
chilling, yet soothing like the northern wind.

like the colourful mystic march, when red and vivid hibiscus blooms
it fills my ears with a melodious mute song of spring

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-Shaila Bajpai Pandey

Lit-O-Mania

5. Spoofomania: This unique competition demanded the participants make a spoof on a popular story. Participant schools went beyond imagination with Salim and Anarkali meeting in Cafe Coffee Day to name just one. Creativity was at its peak in this competition and the laughs followed.

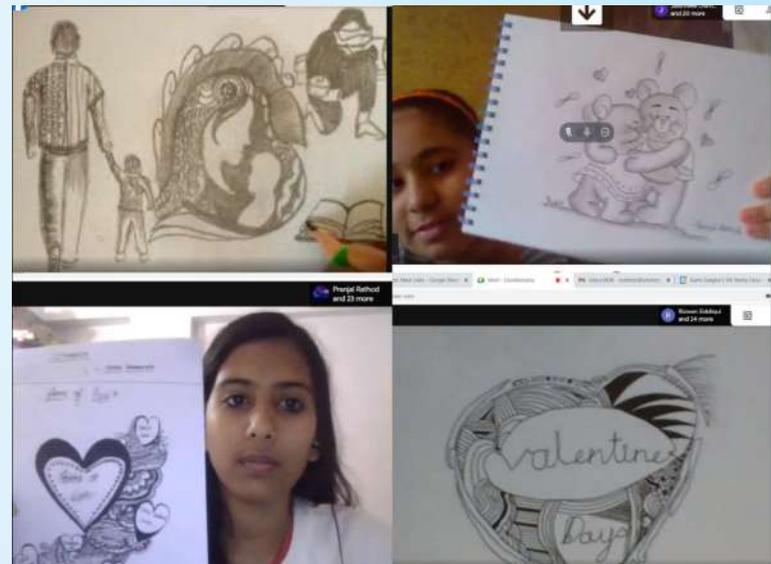
6. Spellathon: This exciting quiz on the English language had students asking for more. The multiple rounds tested kids on their grammar, vocabulary, and literary elements. It was challenging and fun at the same time.

7. Monomania (monologues): Monomania had students dressed up as various characters from the literary world, mouthing famous monologues with confidence, expressions, and dramatic effect. Students not only read about the character to express conviction but also paid attention to the looks of the character to embody the personality in totality.

8. War of words (debate): The longest competition of the event went on for about five and half hours and there was not a single dull moment in the virtual classroom. The arguments and rebuttals were worth listening to, analyzing, and internalizing. It also made us realize that students now think way beyond their age owing to the digital revolution and information influx. Definitely, the most aggressive and interesting classroom of the many that we had.

9. Doodlomania: With Doodling coming up in a big way and youngsters indulging in it not only for leisure but for a way of expression, we only thought it befitting to have it as full fledged competition. We were pleasantly surprised and actually in awe of some of the doodles made by the participants depicting various forms of love. We are very glad we had this unique competition this year.

10. Poemania : This competition was exclusively for the teachers to unleash their potential and express on our platform. Needless to say the talent was overwhelming - all in one classroom! The poetries were passionate, thought provoking, poetic and oh so soothing too. Getting so many teachers from all over the country and across the globe under one roof was quite an achievement . Teachers poured in all that they had to create exquisite pieces of writing much to our delight.



Love is Divine

What is love - in innocence you cry.
Tiny fingers around brawny wrists,
Voiceless - with curtained eyes
Its the silence of trust with defining cries
The say - This is love.

What is love - and the pre-teen opines
Curiosity and wonder in everything new
And falling, failing and climbing vines
Living the moment as if left with few.

What is love asks teenaged lover
As tentacles of passion escape the heart
Eyes in the skies of the youthful dreamer
To look, to laugh, for love to start.

What is love questions the Youth
A feeling, a look, a smile or two?
It is the knowledge of a heart that's true
A bond that extends from a me to a you.

What is love to the mature mind
Surrender and sacrifice if you can find
But what comes out of all these ages
Is the realisation that through these stages

Love may be true, may be entwined,
With emotion, passion, feeling and care
That holds a secret so divine
As intangible blessings of the powers up there!

SANDIPA BHATTACHARJEE



Lit-O-Mania

Love is Divine

The hand that held mine and helped me walk,
'Papa' my first word when I began to talk.
The love that I feel is in my hug,
My kiss to give when his shirt tail, I tug.

As I grow, the love of the teenage fan takes over,
The singer, the actor, the cricket player.
The love that I feel is in my shrieks of joy
To get one glance, Oh, the tactics I employ.

My starstruck craziness turns to the friend I hold dear
The holding of hands and sharing without fear.
The love that I feel is in my eyes
The secrets, the whispers, the sadness of goodbyes.

I feel the presence of this person in my life
The one with whom I share my joys and my strife.
The love that I feel is in my heart
This bond should not break till death does us part.

There is not just one love inside of you.
It encompasses more than just one or two.
The love that I feel is inside of me.
Love is divine to experience and for all to see.

By Priti Srihari Raghavan



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Journey of Knowledge

Knowledge café is a club organised by the students of **IBDP** as a **CAS initiative** for the students from **Checkpoint II** to **A Levels**. The project revolved around the importance of learning beyond the classroom. The topics in discussion encapsulated a variety of diverse aspects from gaming and reality, global culture to the birth of languages and the origination of food covering a vast portion of origins and modernization as well.



The sessions were power-packed as they included new facts to learn presented in a captivating creative manner, interactive games, engaging quizzes, etc. to make the session a wholesome and an unforgettable one. The topics were skilfully selected keeping the audience in mind thus resulting in an engaged and highly participative audience.

THE LITTLE MERMAID

HANS CHRISTIAN ANDERSEN'S 1837 STORY FOLLOWS THE 14-YEAR-OLD MYTHICAL CREATURE ON HER QUEST TO FIND TRUE LOVE, THE MERMAID SHUNS HER LIFE IN THE SEA IN SEARCH OF A PRINCE. THIS PLOT IS WELL KNOWN, HOWEVER THE TORTURES SHE HAD TO ENDURE ARE UNSPOKEN OF.

ALTHOUGH SHE IS ABLE TO WALK ON LAND, EVERY STEP SHE TAKES RESEMBLES BEING PRICKED BY SHARP KNIVES.

INSTEAD OF FALLING FOR THE MERMAID, THE PRINCE MARRIES ANOTHER WOMAN.

SO THE SEA WITCH CUTS HER ANOTHER ULTIMATUM, ENSURING HER SURVIVAL IF SHE AGREES TO MURDER HER LOVER. YES, THE LITTLE MERMAID AGREES TO MURDER THE PRINCE.

BUT, AS SHE APPROACHES THE NEW BRIDE AND GROOM LYING IN THEIR MARITAL BED, SHE CAN'T BRING HERSELF TO KILL HIM AND INSTEAD CHOOSES TO DIE HERSELF.

SHE THEN DISSOLVES ENTIRELY INTO FOAM - BEFORE BEING OFFERED ONE SMALL REPRIEVES AS HER SPIRIT FLOATS IN THE SKY, SHE EVENTUALLY EARNS A SOUL BY CARRYING OUT GOOD DEEDS FOR A WHOLE 300 YEARS BEFORE ASCENDING INTO HEAVEN.



“The Knowledge Café was truly enlightening as it provided us with information on a wide range of topics from gaming to movies and sports too. It provides a platform for discussion on these topics which is unique. The fact that it had games and engaging, interactive activities made it entertaining.”



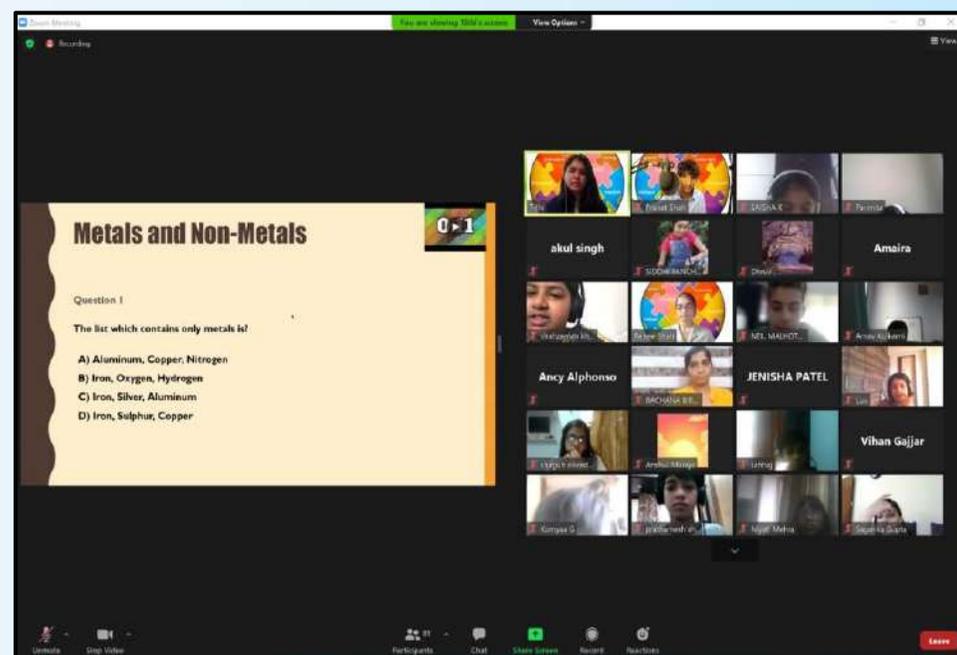
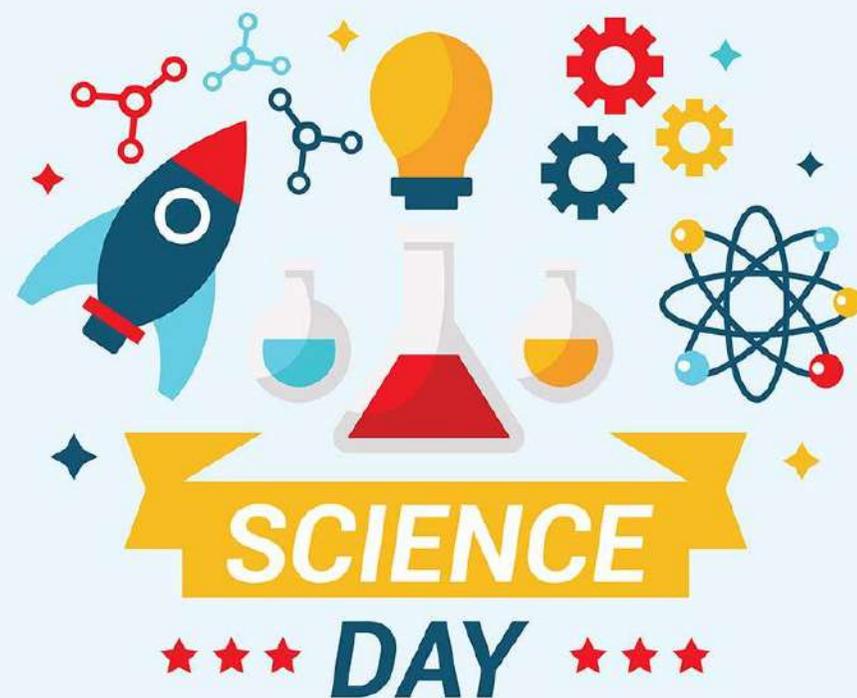
Science Day 2021

As quoted by Ikujiro Nanaka, “Without real exchange, you can’t create knowledge” – this was the central theme of the Science Day. Science Day was organised by the students of **IBDP1** along with the Science teachers on the 26th and 27th of February. 60 students across **Checkpoint II** to **IB** and **A Levels** participated to exchange ideas and learn from each other.

There were eight activities for students to participate in and exhibit their flair and passion for science. The activities were: **wind powered vehicle making competition, fancy dress competition, fun fact quizzes, two debates, models related to history of sciences and astronomy and an informative session on using science for detectives.**

The overwhelming participation by the students made this program an enriching one. The students shared some of their best models and ideas thus adding to the pool of knowledge of our little scientists in the making.

Students were given the platform to express their ideas, talents, explore various different sciences and exchange knowledge. The **Winter House** emerged as the **winner** bagging most house points.

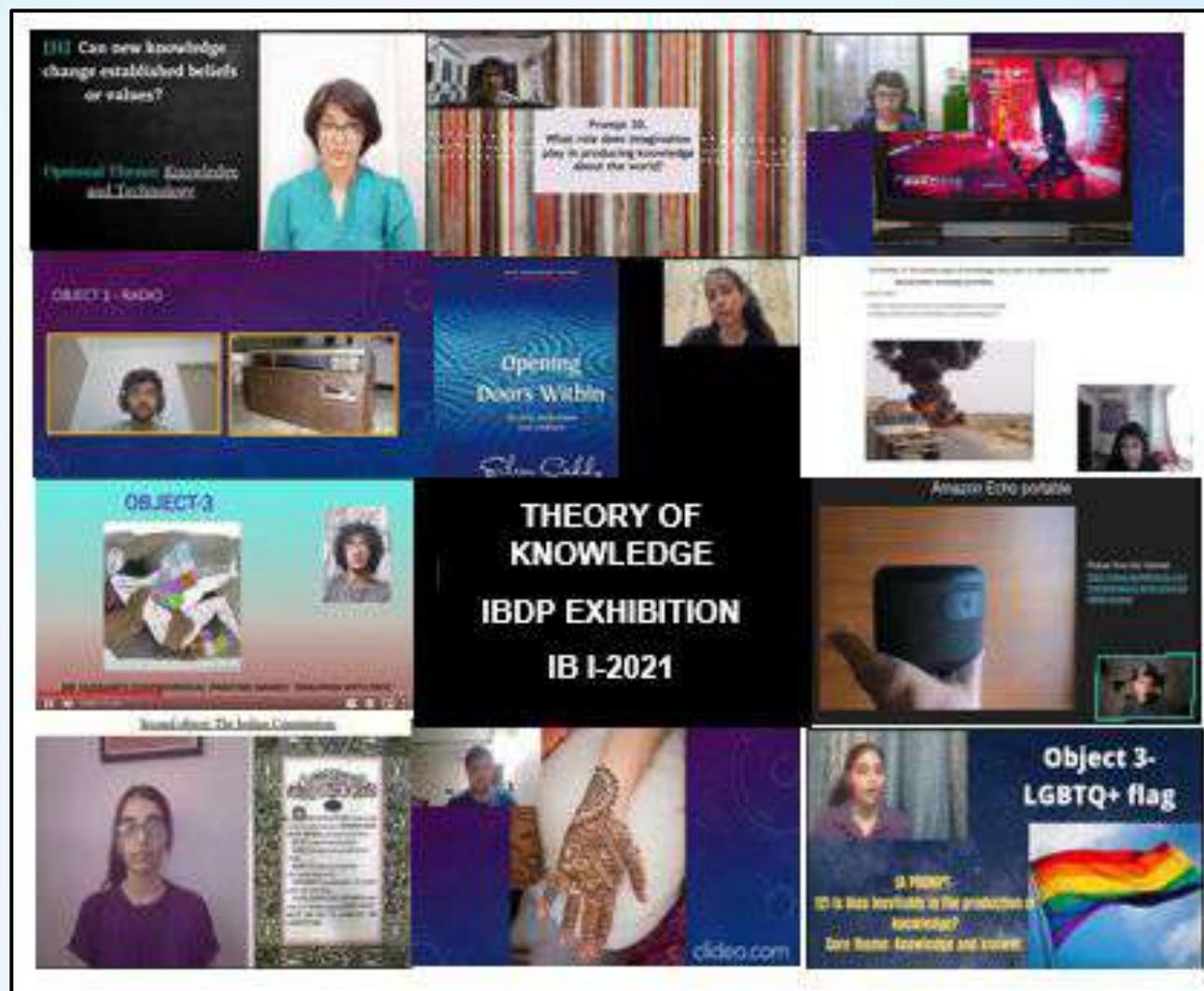


Exhibition

The **Visual Arts Exhibition** is an integral part of the **IBDP programme**. **Sharanyaa Nair** of **IBDP II** presented her exhibit pieces on the **26th of April, 2021**. Teachers, students, Alumni, and parents joined in to celebrate student's creations. It marks an important aspect of the IB philosophy of creating evolved and informed learners.



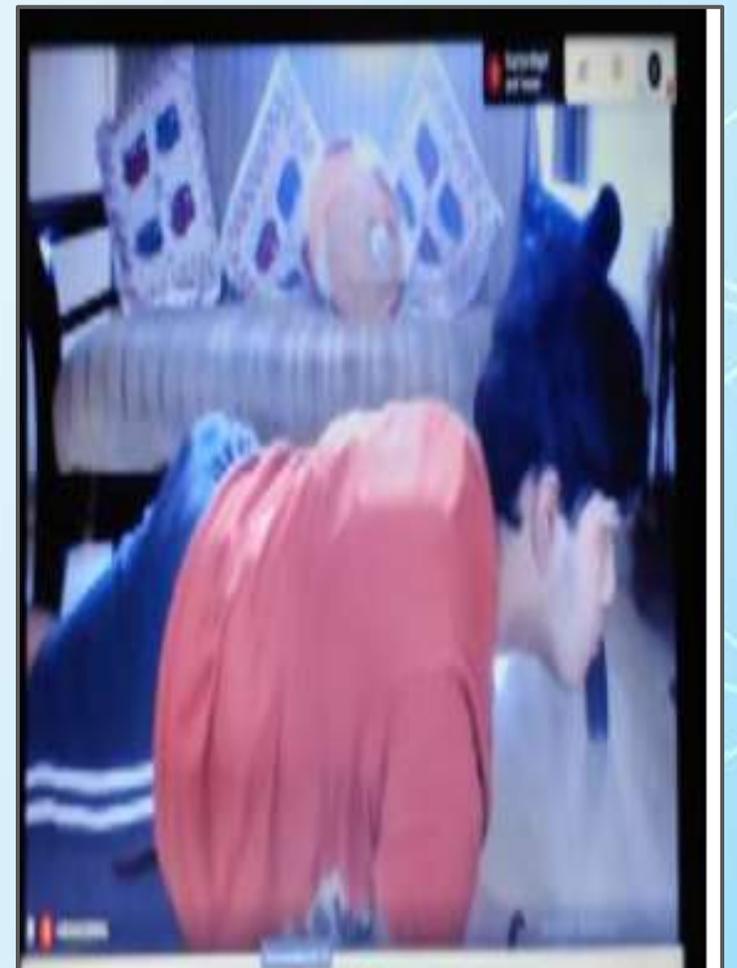
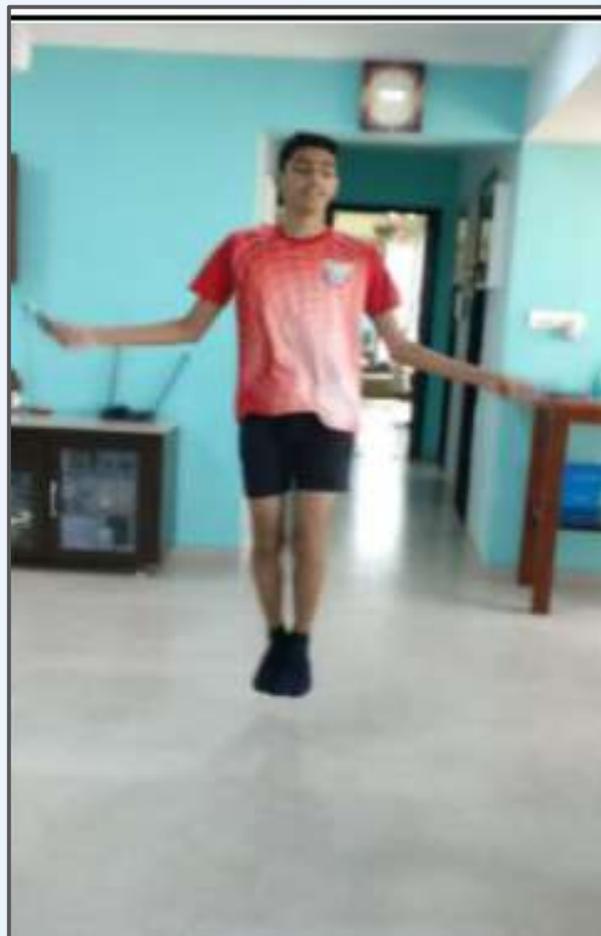
The **IBDP Year I Theory of Knowledge (TOK) exhibition**, held on the **27th of April, 2021**, was a challenging and enriching experience providing them to present own inspiration in a creative manner. While, we are proud of our academic rigor, we also want to push students to explore boundaries of their experiences, reflect upon own prejudices and develop international mindedness. TOK supports the ethos of the school and supports the IB Philosophy of nurturing critical Thinking.



Virtual Sports Events

Sports day is one of the most awaited events in our school calendar and we didn't allow the pandemic situation to dampen the spirit of celebrating together. This year the students were virtually engaged in a series of physical sport games and challenges, competing with their peers for fun, certificates and victory in the competition.

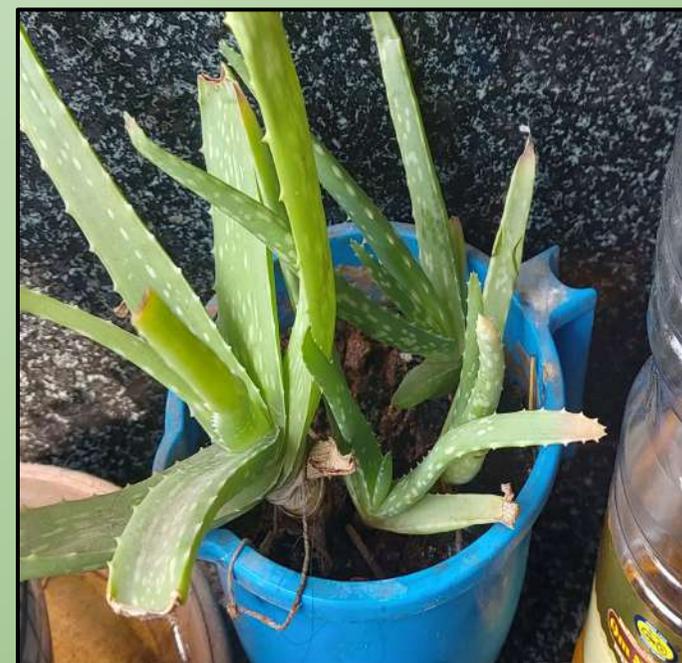
There were many virtual challenges conducted throughout the year for the students like : **rope skipping, yoga, on the spot running , jogging, workout challenges as push ups, planks , Rubik's Cube, chess, and basketball skill challenges** . Points were awarded to the houses with the top performers in each house.



Club Team Green Activities

Team Green's mission is to promote a sustainable community that fosters long-term environmental health & social well-being. Our students are engaged in activities like kitchen waste composting, growing their own vegetables, taking care of plants & animals around and so much more. **Our students from Primary and Secondary sections** are taking keen interest in creating a green space of their own.

We are also delighted to be a part of '**The Green Army Family**'. Their program aims at educating the school children about the different aspects of sustainable living.



Competitions



“The Science of today is the technology of tomorrow”

- Edward Teller

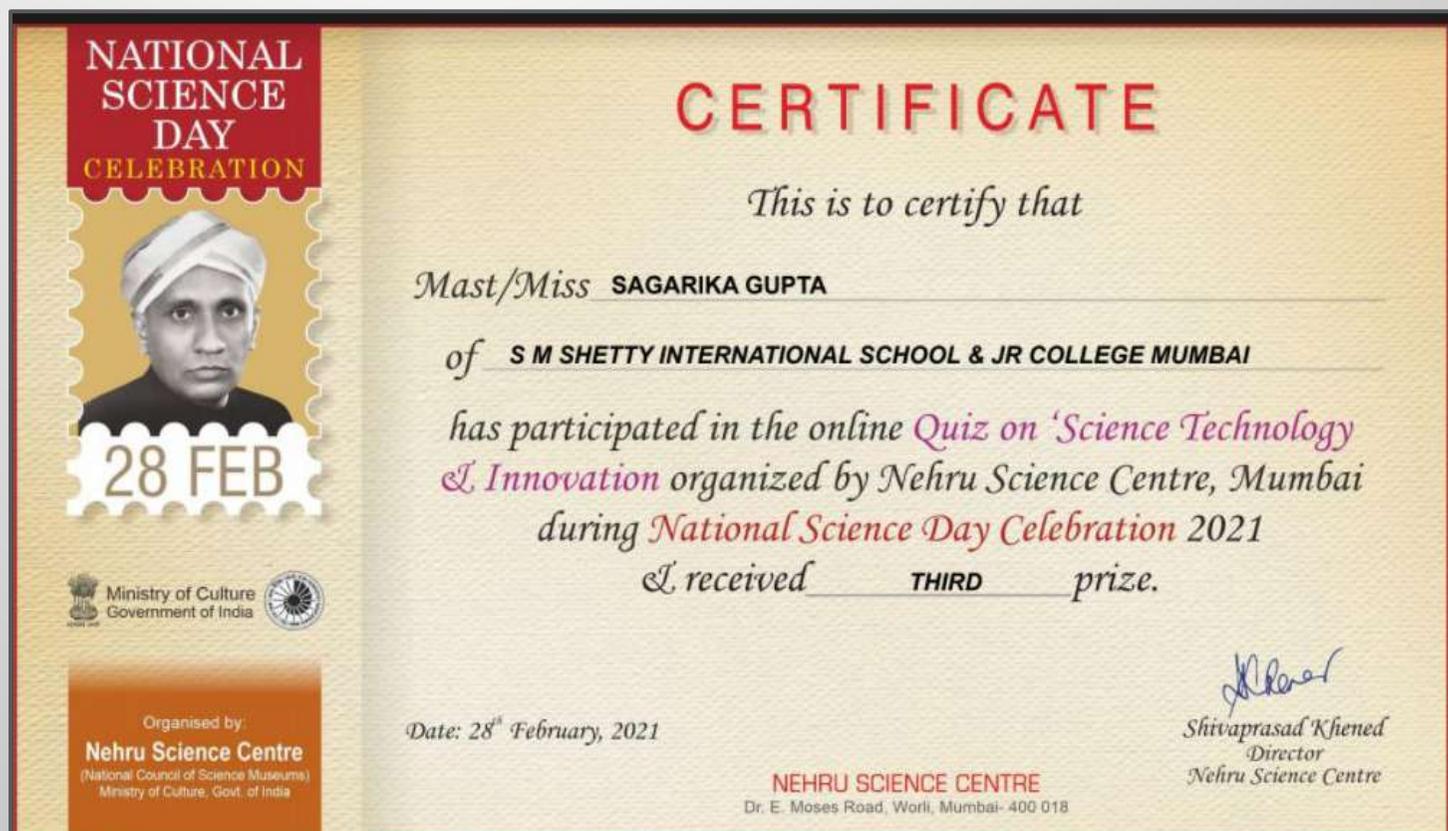
Nehru Science Centre had organised an online quiz on Science, Technology and Innovation, on 28 February 2021, as part of the **National Science Day Celebration**.

Ms. **Sagarika Gupta**, our student from **Checkpoint IC** made us proud by securing the third position in this contest.

“It was an enriching experience for me; it was not just an educational quiz but an engaging and effective learning activity.”

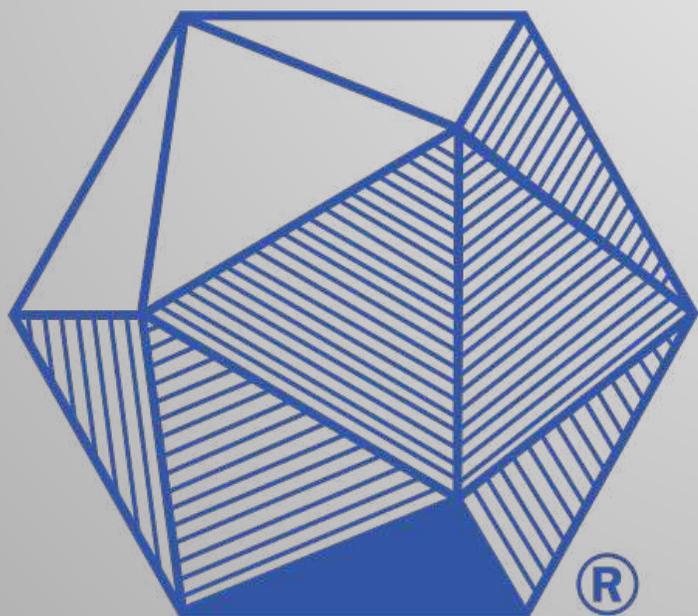


Sagarika Gupta
Checkpoint 1C



Competitions

Our AS student, **Samvit Mavinkure** secured the first place in the **online American Maths Competition 12** conducted by **Mathematical Association of America** on 10th February 2021. An extremely proud moment for the school!

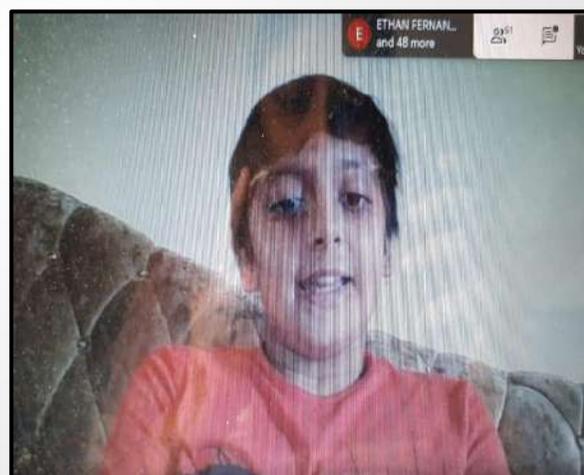
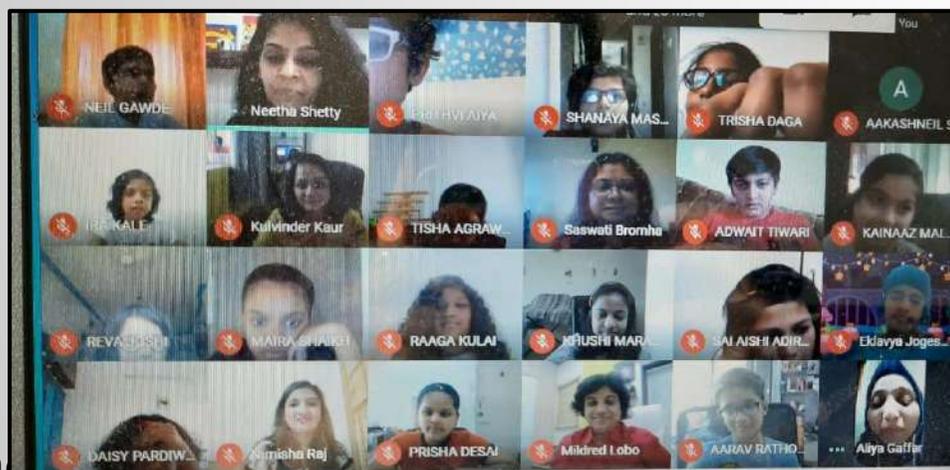
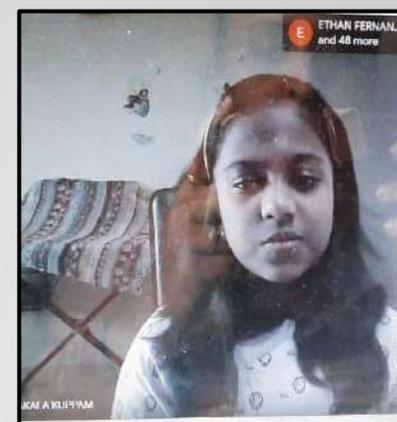
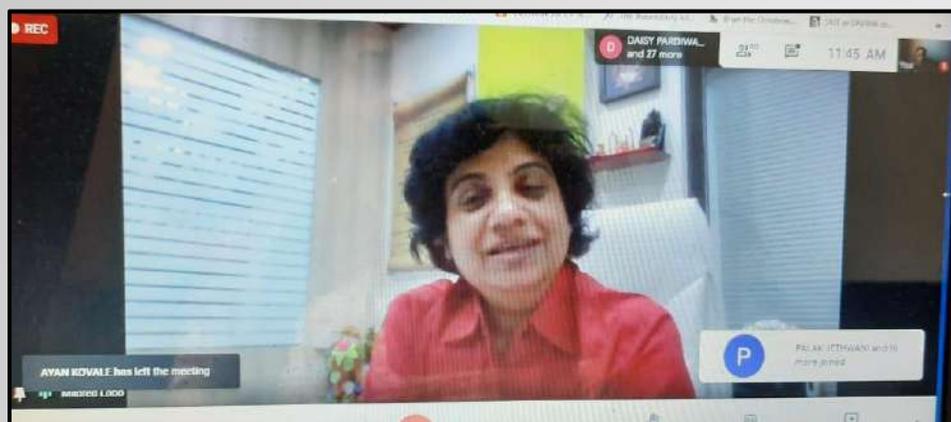


MAA

MATHEMATICAL ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

Competitions

Our **Junior Student Council**, lead by the **Junior Head Boy Aarav Rathore**, yet again made us proud by conducting another activity - **Elocution Competition** for students of **Grade V**, on account of **International Women's Day** as a token of love and respect towards women. The Student Council managed everything right from sending the invites to everyone and making the certificates ready for all the winners. They truly inspire all the kids by the way they work in a 'Team'. The students spoke on a variety of topics.



1st Position
Khushi Krishna



2nd Position
Neil Gawde



2nd Position
Reva Joshi



3rd Position
Trisha Daga



3rd Position
Kainaaz Malhotra

Competitions

A **Solo Dance Competition** was organised on 8th February 2021, where students from the CP participated in full zeal and zest. We had amongst us **Mr. Vaibhav Ghughe**, a celebrity judge, associated with the **Dance India Dance**, **Nach Baliye** and many more reality dance shows. **Ms. Payal Biswas** and **Mr. Haresh Helekar** who have won many accolades in the field of dance, were present to judge our students on their dance performances. The participants dressed in colourful costumes, and set the show on fire with their thrilling performance.

The winners :

Grade I

1st position - Ishi Mhatre (CP IB)

2nd position - Sunaina Baral (CP IC)

3rd position - Viyona Jain (CP IB)

Consolation - Yashi Dutia (CP IC)



Grade II

1st position - Prarthana Thayyil (CP II B)

2nd position - Palak Gantayat (CP IID)

3rd position - Aarohi Kadam (CP IID)

Consolation - Anvika Koshti (CP IIB)



Grade III

1st position - Neva Menon (CP IIIB)

2nd position - Anahita Oza (CP IIID)

3rd position - Vihaan Varshneya (CP IIIB)



Grade IV

1st position - Riddhi Bhintade (CP IVB)

2nd position - Dhyana Hingu (CP IVD)

3rd position - Anishka Karthik (CP IVB)

Grade V

1st position - Hridaan Naik (CP VA)

2nd position - Maira Shaikh (CP VA)

3rd position - Tisha Agarwal (CP VE)

Competitions

Students of CP III recited poems with school as the theme. Participants presented their poems with made the audience reminisce fond school memories.

The platform showcased the students to showcase their language and performance skills. The winners were :



1st Position
Kuveera Kulal (CP IIIB)



2nd Position
Moksh Bansal (CP IIID)



3rd Position
Vidnyey Shewale (CP IIIA)

The students of CP IV participated in the competition where they had to connect with their cultural roots and recite *Sant Vaani* written by the great saints of our country. Students recited dohas written by Sant Kabir, Sant Rahim, Meera Bai to name a few.



1st Position
Aadvik Sharma (CPIV C)



2nd Position
Ananya Harish (CP IV C)



3rd Position
Abbas Beg (CP IV B)

Students of CP V had the opportunity to showcase humour and satire in their performance. The judges Ms. Saraswati, IB faculty at JNICC, Jakarta and Ms. Sunita Dubey were in awe of our 10 year olds who performed efficiently and spoke the Hindi language fluently.



1st Position
Adwait Tiwari (CPVD)



2nd Position
Neil Gawde (CP VB)



3rd Position
Aashi Mhatre (CP VD)



Consolation
Laranya Satpathy (CP VB)

Competitions

On the **29th of January, 2021**, a **French quiz competition** was conducted based on language and culture, for the students of CP V. The learning objective was to deepen student's understanding about France and its culture. The activity also focussed on promoting international mindedness. The competition involved various rounds such as spell-ebration, le gourmet français, trivia round and the rapid fire round.

A welcome song **Bienvenue** by Laranya Satpathy and an amazing dance performance on the French song **Bonjour** by Kainaaz Malhotra, Aarika Mahajan & Pavithra Udaiyar stole the show. Félicitations !!

The winners :

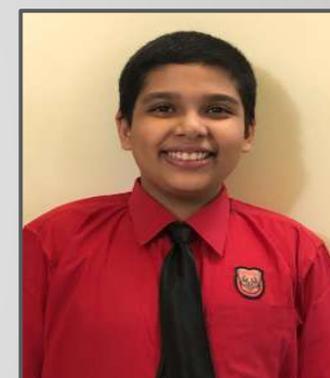
1st position - CP VB (Eesha Devadiga & Neil Gawde)

2nd position - CP VC (Aanya Nabira & Daisy Pardiwalla)

3rd position - CP VA (Trisha Daga & Maira Shaikh)



Eesha Devadiga



Neil Gawde



Aanya Nabira



Daisy Pardiwalla



Trisha Daga



Maira Shaikh



Competitions

It was a musical morning for the students of CP on 15th March, 2021.

It was a truly unforgettable experience for everyone who witnessed the event. We had **Mr. Anshuman Ahluwalia** and **Ms. Rucha Deshpande** as our judges. All our talented participants rocked the virtual stage with their captivating performances.

Winners of the competition were:

CP III



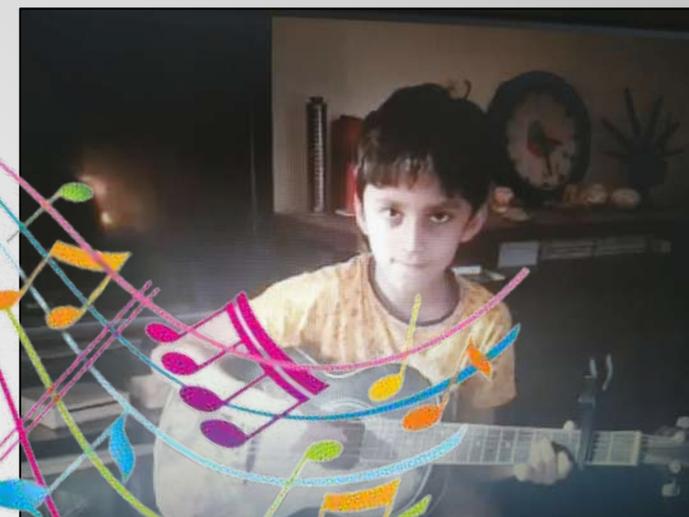
**1st Position
Neeraja Parab**



**2nd Position
Vihaan Vaishya**



**3rd Position
Rishabh Ganguli**



CP IV



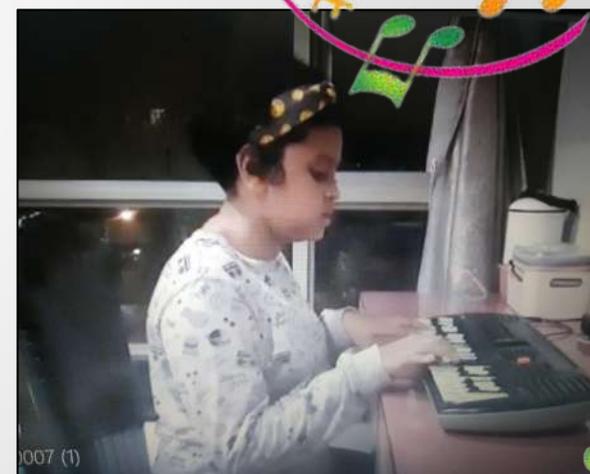
**1st Position
Mihir Bhandarkar**



**2nd Position
Aanjaneya Navin**



**3rd Position
Tiya Survase**



CP V



**1st Position
Gaurang Waigankar**



**2nd Position
Hridhaan Naik**



**2nd Position
Palash Lale**



**2nd Position
Laranya Satpathy**



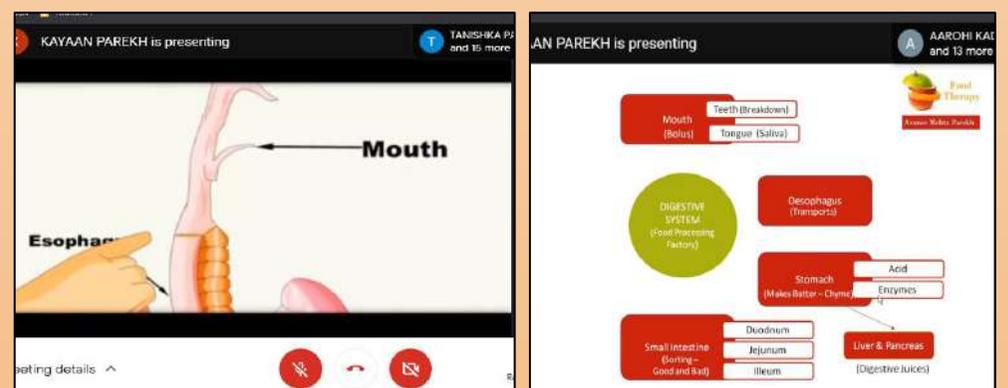
**3rd Position
Trisha Daga**

Guest Lectures

A **Watercolour workshop** for beginners was conducted for students of **CP IV** on **12th February, 2021** by **Ms Sudha Purushothaman**, an art practitioner. Designed with beginners in mind, the students were shown basic drawing and watercolor application techniques. The objective was to give our students the tools they need to begin their artistic journey into self-expression, reflection, and creative thinking.



A webinar on **Digestion – The Journey of Food** was organised for **CP II** students by **Ms. Avanee Parekh**, a **qualified Nutritionist** and a parent. The session aimed at explaining the students about how the food is digested. The students were shown a video and the digestion process was explained to them, towards the end students were told about a few important things that they need to remember to stay fit and healthy.

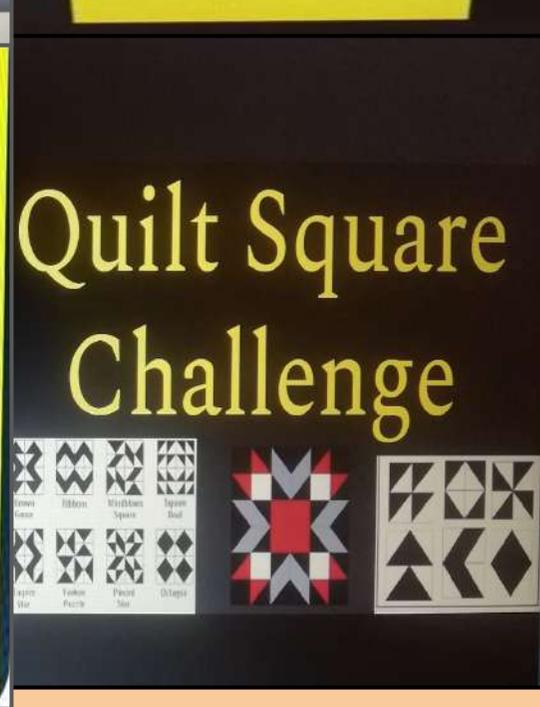
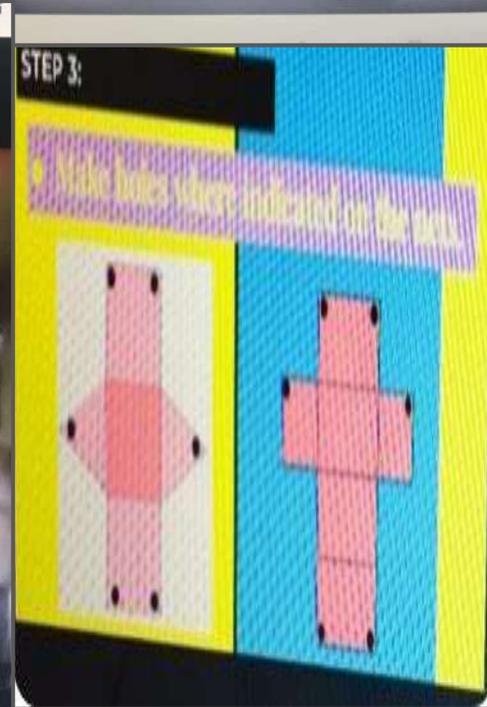
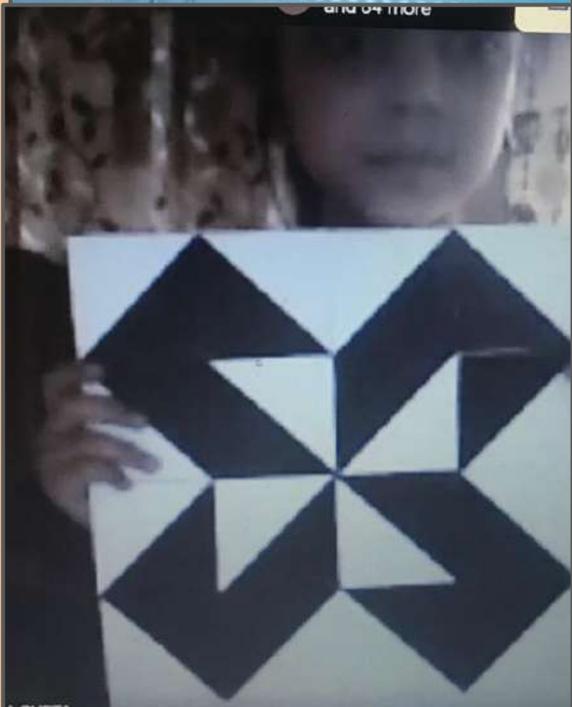
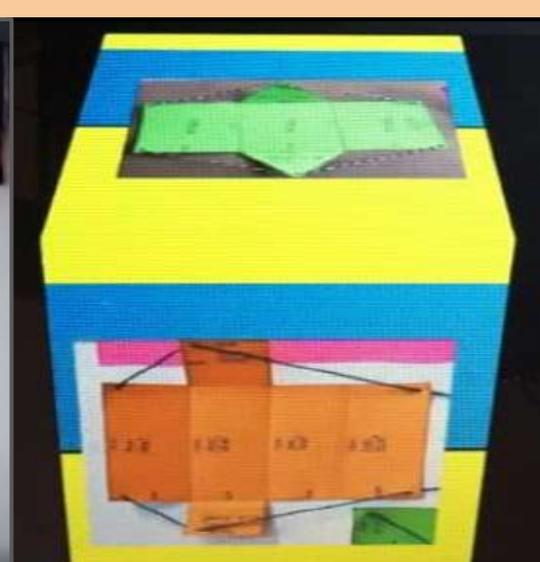
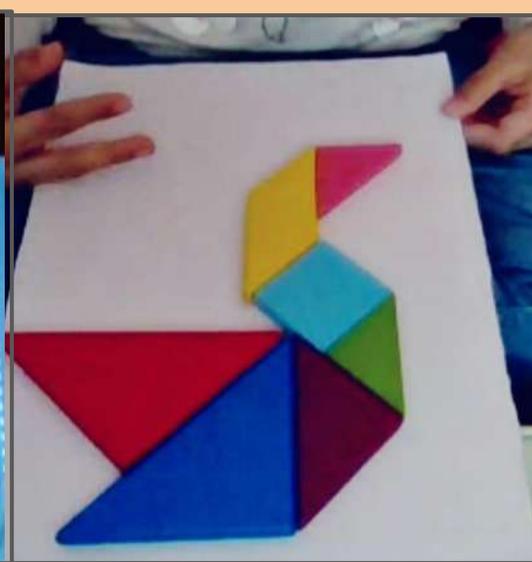


Fun with Math



Students of CP explored maths beyond textbooks and applied it in day-to-day situations.

Ms. Arpita Parab conducted a session on problem solving and empowered the students of CP V with the skills to read, break, simplify and resolve complex problems. The CP IV had an opportunity to learn the concept of creative 3D figure using the net. Students from CP III had a great time learning creating patterns using quilt pieces which was a fun learning act. Students from CP II and CP I learned the concept of Tangram and made artistic pictures using the shapes by abiding by the rules. It was a delight to watch the shapes that were created.



Quilt Square Challenge



Opportunities for Students

On 31st March the school collaborated with **Le Frehindi Association**. Our students from **Checkpoint II & III** got the opportunity to witness the functioning of one of the popular **vocational training schools in Lyon(France) Le SEPR**. The students got a sneak peak of one of the pastry workshops and the tools and equipments they use during the procedure. Apart from this they also managed to explore the regular lifestyle apart from own. Students immersed themselves into the French culture making it a fruitful experience.



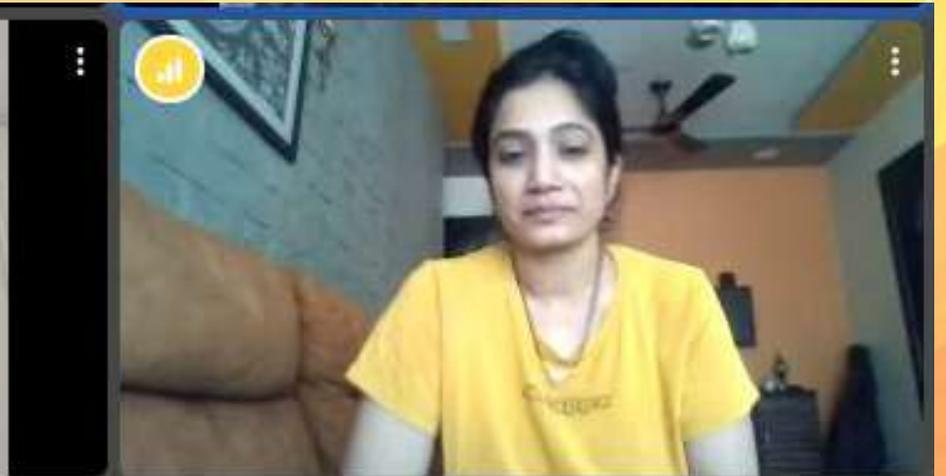
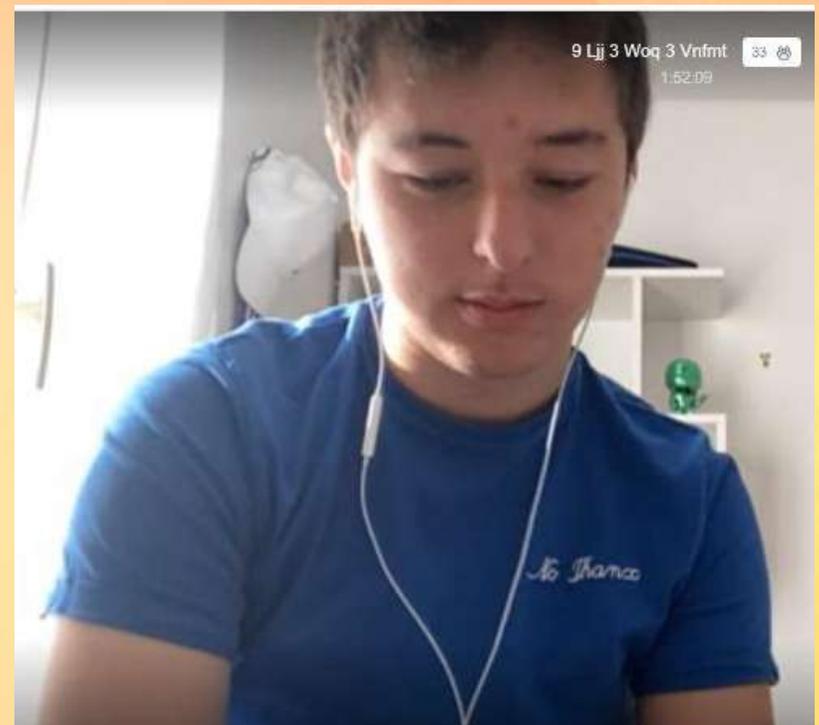
Students of **Checkpoint II,III , IGCSE I, AS and IBDP I** will be engaged in a collaborative research project with the students of **Netherland and Ghana** in the month of April/May 2021 .The research methodology would be a written interview exchange (on e-mail) with two students in another country to find answers to the research question: ‘ if you are born somewhere else in the world, how different would your life be?’



Opportunities for Students

On 6th April, an Exchange Program was conducted for the students of IG I and students from Poitiers, France. The objective of this program was to use the technology to foster intercultural dialogue, to interact and exchange ideas on global concerns in French. In this program the students of IG I were able to answer the questions asked in French. Various themes on environment, travel, health, etc were covered. In return the students of Poitiers wanted to improve on their English speaking skills.

This activity helped the students to develop global competencies in addition to improving their scholastic performance in French & English. Mme. Fabienne was extremely happy to see the students connect with each other with a primary mission to help them grow in their understanding of each other's contexts.



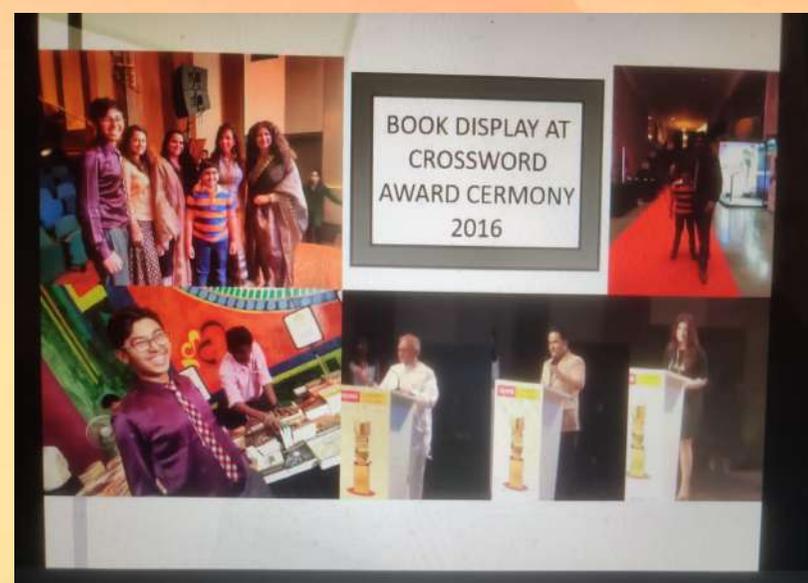
Opportunities for Students

Young author and a budding IITian (Mumbai) Vinayak Mittal addressed the students of IGCSE 1 on 22 April 2021. He spoke to them of his journey as an author and his entry into the coveted IIT Mumbai. Author of two books - Crossroads and Crosstimes, he is on the verge of completing his third book of the trilogy. Writing being his passion, he never gave up on it inspite of his extremely challenging schedule for the preparation of the very challenging JEE exam and the board exams too.

He left the floor open for questions as he wanted to reach out to the students who are actually just a few years younger to him. Students had several questions for him like what are the sacrifices he had to do for getting into IIT? How did he manage time? Tips for cracking JEE and many more.

His most impressive tip was to be attentive in the class and grasp all that the teacher is teaching as 90% of his preparation was in the class and rest 10% he covered at home.

Students were inspired by his talk and Vinayak left his contacts with them for any further query or help.



EUMIND 2020

EUMIND 2020 provided an opportunity for students to create virtual projects on many real life issues like human rights, art and culture and sustainability in collaboration with the **Dutch students**. Our students were awarded **Certificate of Excellence** in all five projects in the **Junior Group category (Go Green project)** as well as the five projects in the **Senior Group category (On stage project)**. It was indeed a proud moment for all the students and teachers associated with the projects.

On stage 2020-2021 International coordinator Pamela Jacob Assessments and certificates Jury member Jan Hormann. The Netherlands						
College Le Ruisseau	Food of the Netherlands Excellence	Architecture Excellence	Eminent personalities Excellence	Dance Excellence	Music Excellence	
Pawar Public School Kandivali	Music Excellence	Architecture Excellence	Eminent Personalities Excellence	Food Excellence	European Dance Excellence	
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GoGreen 2020-2021 International coordinators Neha Siddiqui / Diptesh Kundu / Chetan Diwari Assessments and certificates Jury members Fons de Wolf. Belgium / Robin Bredero. The Netherlands Jac van Lieshout. The Netherlands/ Joash Mathew. India							
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Baken Park2 A2C	Excellence	NO	Good Practice	NO	Good Practice		
Baken Park3 A2B		NO					
Berlage Lyceum			Excellence	Excellence			
Bunt Sangha's S M Shetty Internati. School			Excellence	Excellence	Excellence	Excellence	Excellence

IB Biology Enrichment Program

Our students of **IBDP2** attended **IB Biology Enrichment Program** organized by **University of Queensland, Australia** from 28th October 2020 to 27th January 2021. The program was designed by **Dr Gurion Ang (BSc (Hons), PhD and Faculty of Science (The University of Queensland))**.

The aim of the program was to broaden learners' skills and knowledge with a concurrent diploma program. The topics covered in this program were:

- 1. Genetics - DNA Structure and Replication, DNA Extraction, PCR and Gel Electrophoresis, Protein Synthesis, Biotechnology, Understanding Scientific Literature.**
- 2. Evolution- Selection Patterns and Evolutionary Drivers, Cladistics and Phylogenetic.**

As a part of the program our students interacted, observed, and completed the tasks assigned to them and were assessed by the self-directed modules which they had to complete on the given timelines.

It was a wonderful opportunity for our students to get an experience of the sessions that are not possible during our routine lab sessions and also to interact with the medical specialists.

Opportunities for Teachers

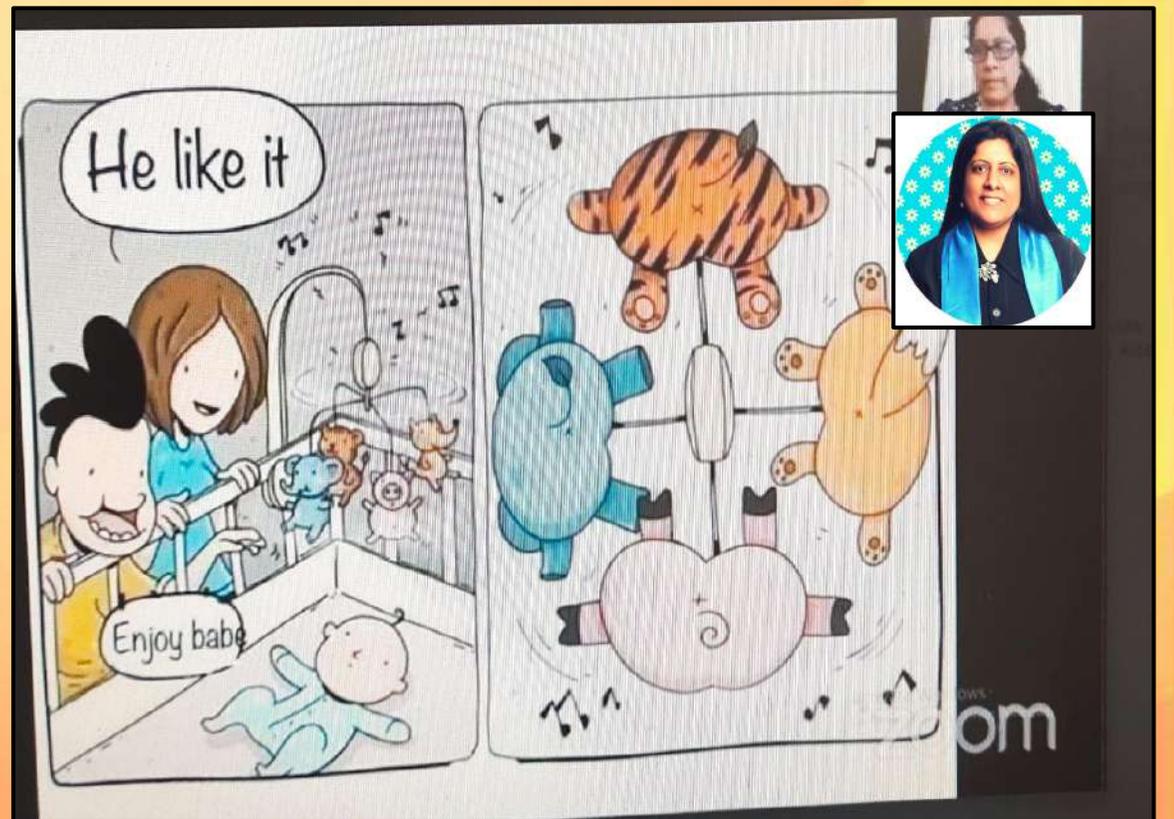
EduTech India along with **Samsung** organised an exciting webinar on **Back to School** on 2nd February 2021. **Ms Kavita Agarwal** discussed about the planning and precautions schools must take to get ready for physical school. How use of sanitiser, social distancing and mask will become a norm in school. Co-ordinators across sections attended this session where a brief on antibacterial interactive TV board from Samsung and its features were explained.

Opportunities for Teachers

Our Faculty members **Ms. Priti Shanbagh & Ms. Vidya Shetty**, attended a **Professional Development Workshop** on January 30th, 2021, hosted by **Huron University ,Canada and High School Moms** , a networking organization for parents and counselors. The seminar was addressed by **President of Huron Western University), Dr. Barry Craig**. The session drew focus upon student application procedures, standardization Test requirements, Campus and Internship programmes, Tuition fee and scholarship access.



Pre-primary school teachers training programme, a two day session, was conducted by **Dr Swati Popat Vats**. The topic was **“BRAIN AND HOW CHILDREN LEARN THE BEST.”** The tagline for the workshop was **#galtisudhar** – how to make teaching-learning materials without mistakes for children.



Developing Pedagogy

Primary Checkpoint Coordinator Ms. Neetha Shetty conducted a workshop on “**Pedagogical Techniques for the New Age Learners**”. The main learning objective of this workshop was to empower the teachers to become facilitators and developers of new age skills amongst students. Teachers were introduced to many innovative teaching methodologies like; **Jigsaw, De Bono’s six thinking hats, Appreciative Enquiry, Brainstorming, and more.**



Proud Moment



Our sports teacher, **Ms. Jennifer Rayar**, has been cast for the sports related movie ‘**Jaadugar**’ as a **Women footballer** which will be released this year 2021 on **Netflix**.

LET'S SCORE: Webinar on REDUCING EXAM STRESS

"The greatest weapon against stress is our ability to choose one thought over another" - William James.

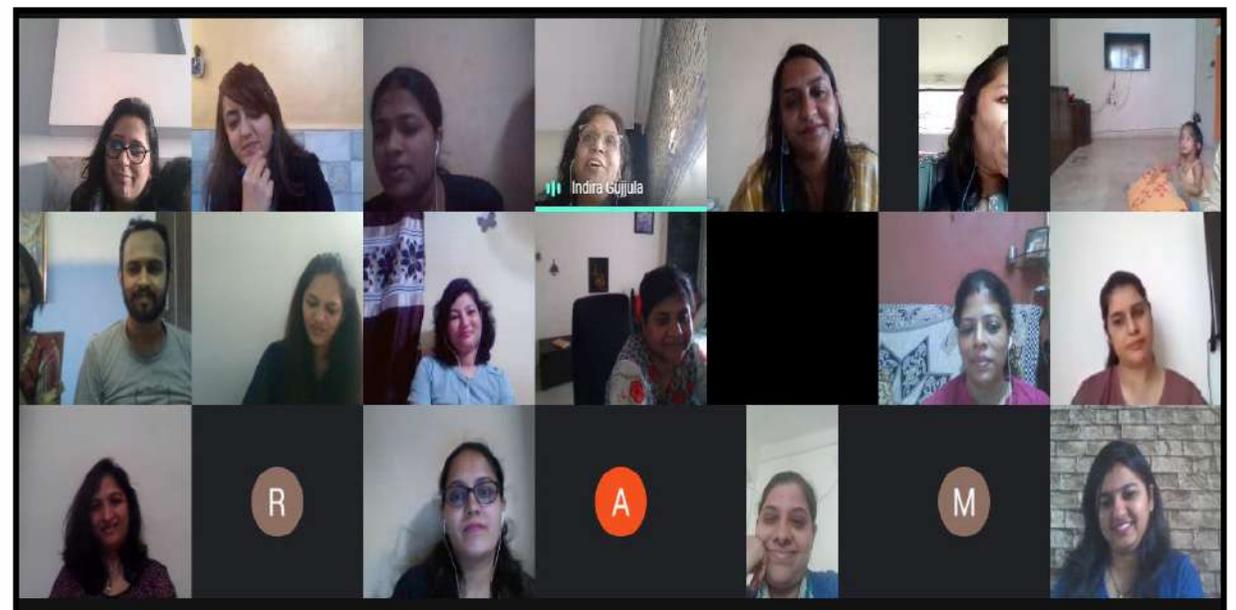
A webinar on handling Exam stress was conducted on the 1st of April, 2021 for parents, students and teachers. Exam stress and student anxiety go hand in hand; what goes unacknowledged is that parents and teachers too experience a certain amount of stress at their level during student exams; but it need not be emotionally paralyzing. There are ways to cope with it and lead healthy lives! Watch the full webinar on our YouTube channel.

<https://youtu.be/v8-4Ibfh5LM>



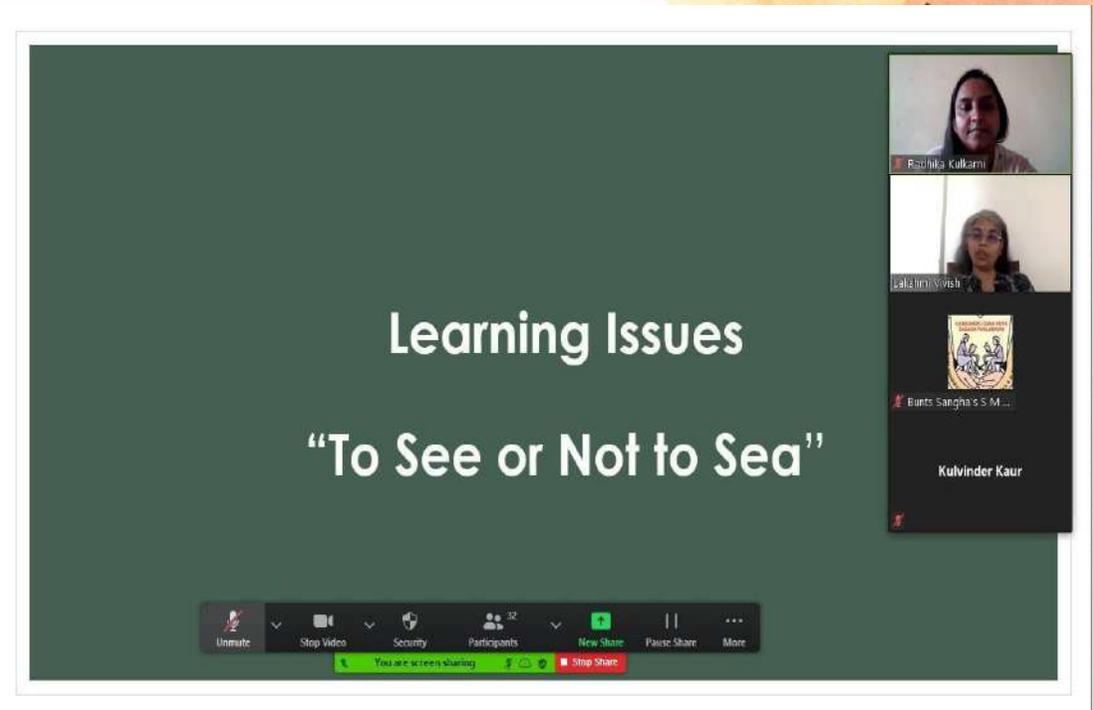
Essential F-A-Ts of growth: Feelings, Actions, Thoughts

Ms. Natasha Mehta and **Ms. Radhika Kulkarni** from the counselling department conducted an interactive session with **parents of IEYC** on the Essential F-A-T of growth (**Feelings, Actions and Thoughts**) on 13th March, 2021.



"To See or Not To Sea"

The Counselling Centre believes that, 'creating awareness is the first step to remediation. It helps in early intervention and to promote positive learning'. What better way than to refresh the teachers of the red flags to look out for signs of Learning Disabilities in a primary classroom. **"To See or Not To Sea"**. Here are a few glimpses of this session conducted by the Special Educator for the **CP teachers**. Regular interaction with teachers will help identify children with learning difficulties early on.



Life Skills for a Way Forward

The Counselling Centre conducted classroom sessions for students of **CP 5**, on the topic: **"Life Skills for a Way Forward"**. Students were introduced to the concept of **'Goal Setting'** by creating a bucket list of things they wished to take up in their upcoming Checkpoint years. Dreams are powerful and setting goals are a great way to visualize and realize them. The sessions were a curious mix of fun, ambition, some serious planning and heart-to-heart conversations!



'Let's Paint - Emotional Expression Thru Art!'



Few glimpses of a fun session conducted with students of **CP I & II** on the topic - '**Let's Paint - Emotional Expression Thru Art!**' Students painted their hearts out and emoted with colourful expressions!



Peek into IEYC

It was indeed a fun filled activity as our little musicians of IEYC created their own instrument musical bowl(Jal-Tarang)



On 15th February 2021, our little **Ieycians** came dressed in red and celebrated the day of love, the “Valentine’s Day”, by making a beautiful card for their loved ones.



Peek into IEYC

As we bid adieu to this academic year our little IEYCians enjoyed a virtual party on 16th April, with their friends and teachers. They had a fulfilled time making and relishing healthy lemonade with Jhal Muri, Monaco toppings and Corn Bhel.



Peek into IEYC I

My favourite super hero



Cute little Bunnies



Superhero mask



Peek into IEYC I

Our very own popsicle superman



Pussy Cat, Pussy cat where have you been



Chugga chugga choo choo here comes Eric the engine



F for frog...look at my froggy!



Peek into IEYC I

Superhero headgear



Meet our Jerry, the mouse

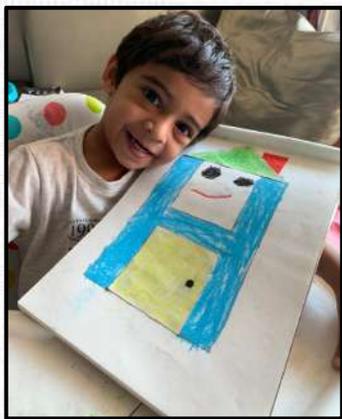


Puppy dog, puppy dog wag your tail



Peek into IEYC I

H for Home sweet home

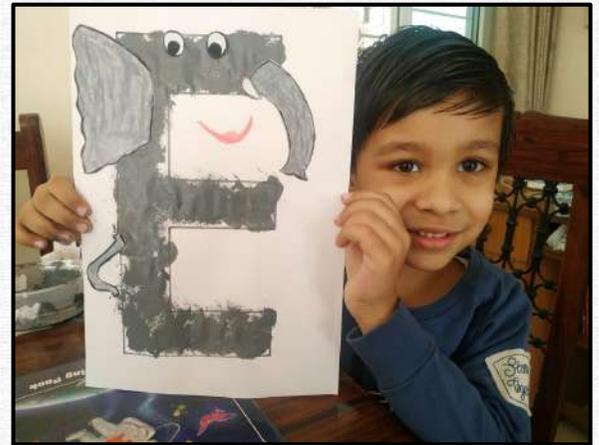


Fun with play dough



Peek into IEYC I

Eddie Elephant has big ears



Home sweet home



I like the G of the giraffe



Peek into IEYC II

Making a paper doll



Teddy bear teddy bear turn around

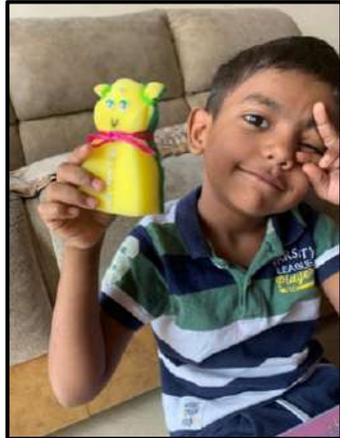


Fasten your seat belt

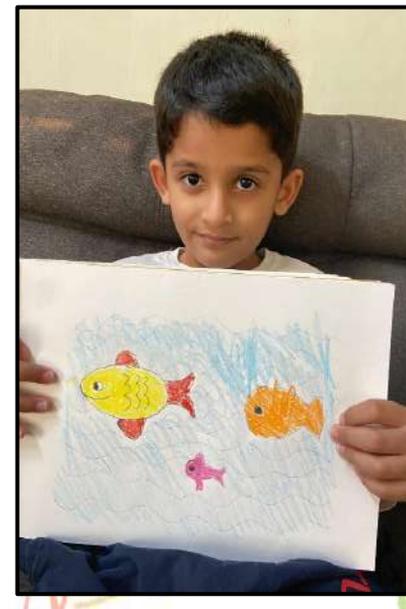


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Sponge teddy

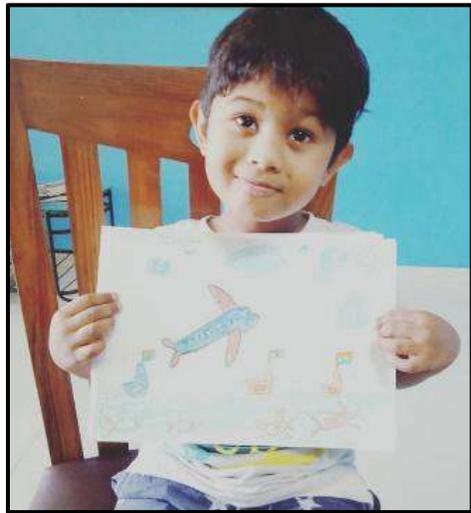


1, 2, 3, 4, 5 once I caught a fish alive

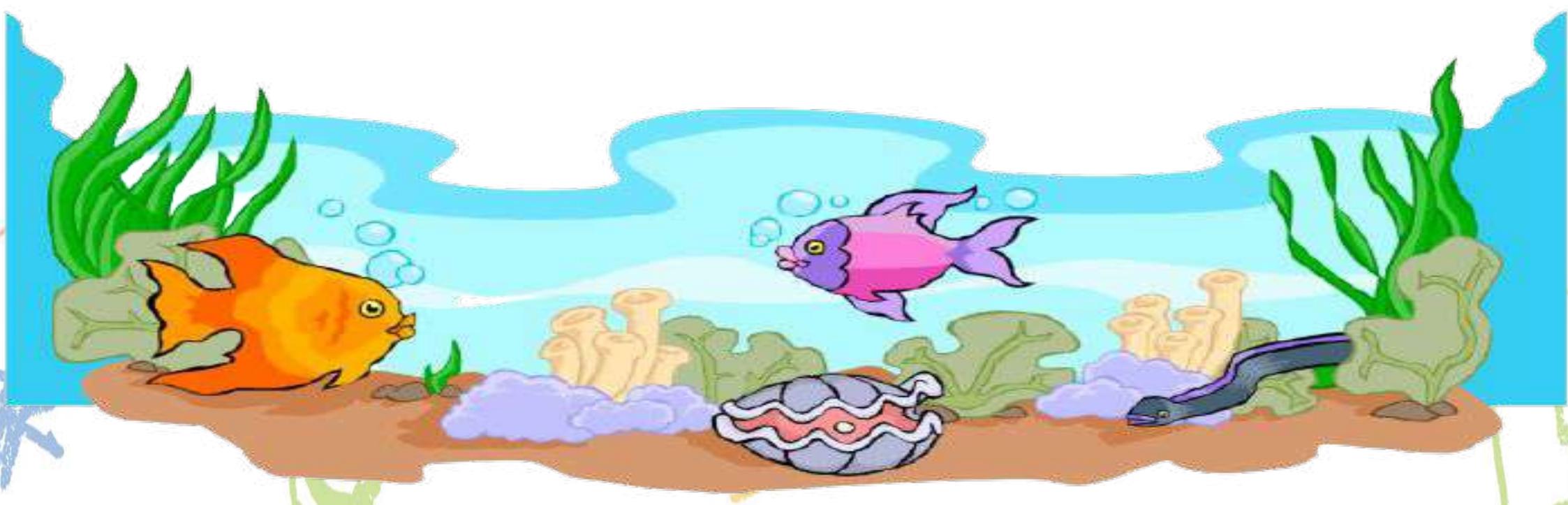


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Get in your airplanes, and off we go

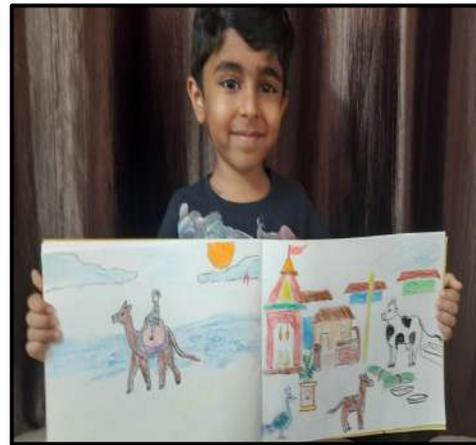
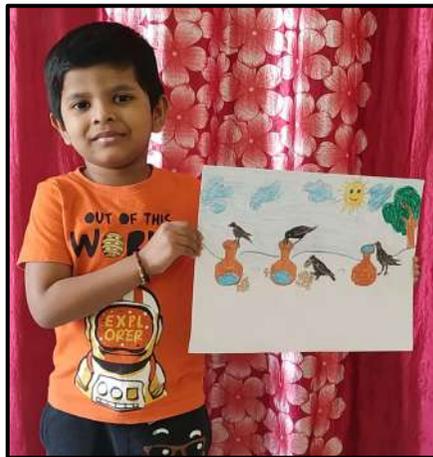


I like to swim under the sea



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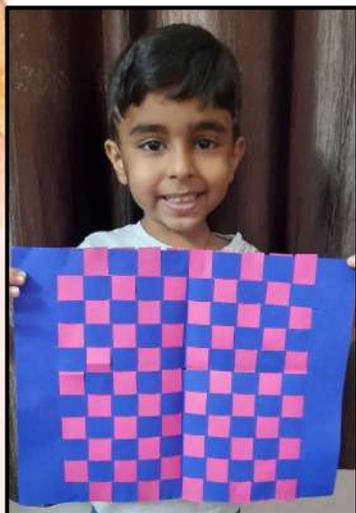
My Imagination, My Creativity, My Expression



Explored the different patterns in food using clay

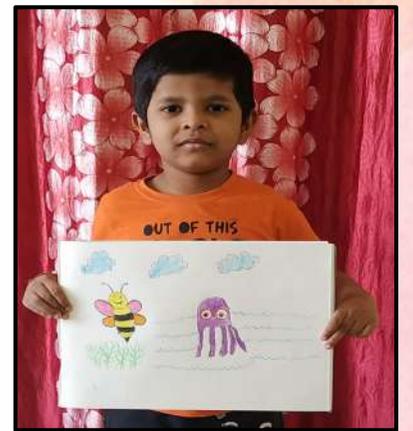
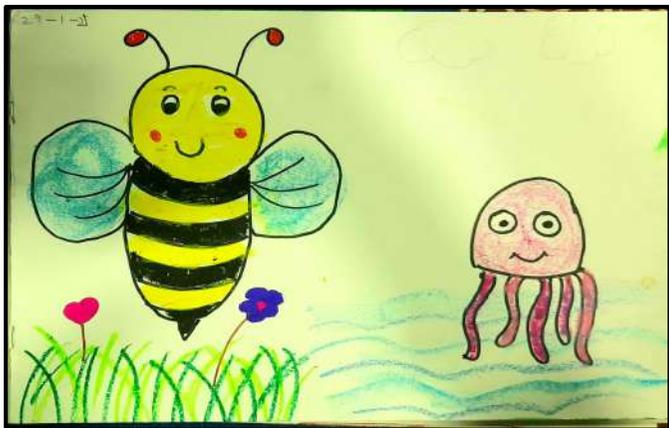


Enjoyed weaving paper mats

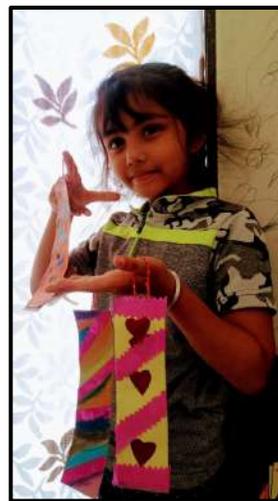


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Honey bee meets Jellyfish

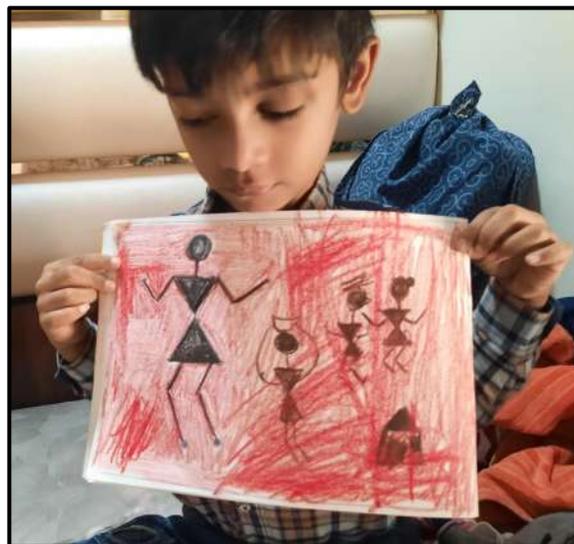
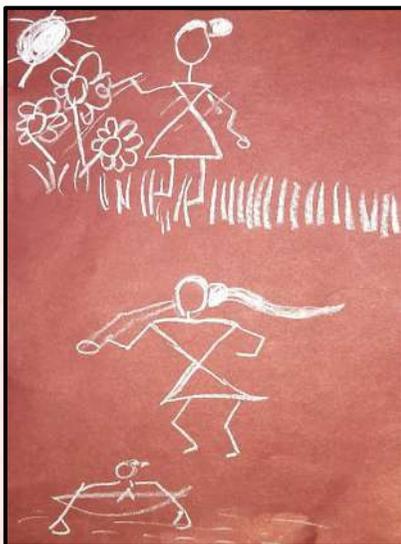


Look at my beautiful ship



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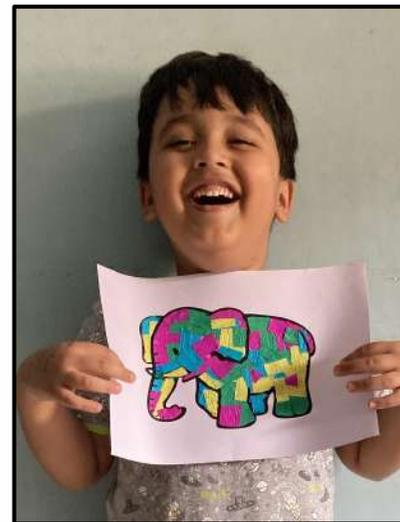


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Abstract Art



Elmer the Patchwork Elephant



Flower painting with earbuds

