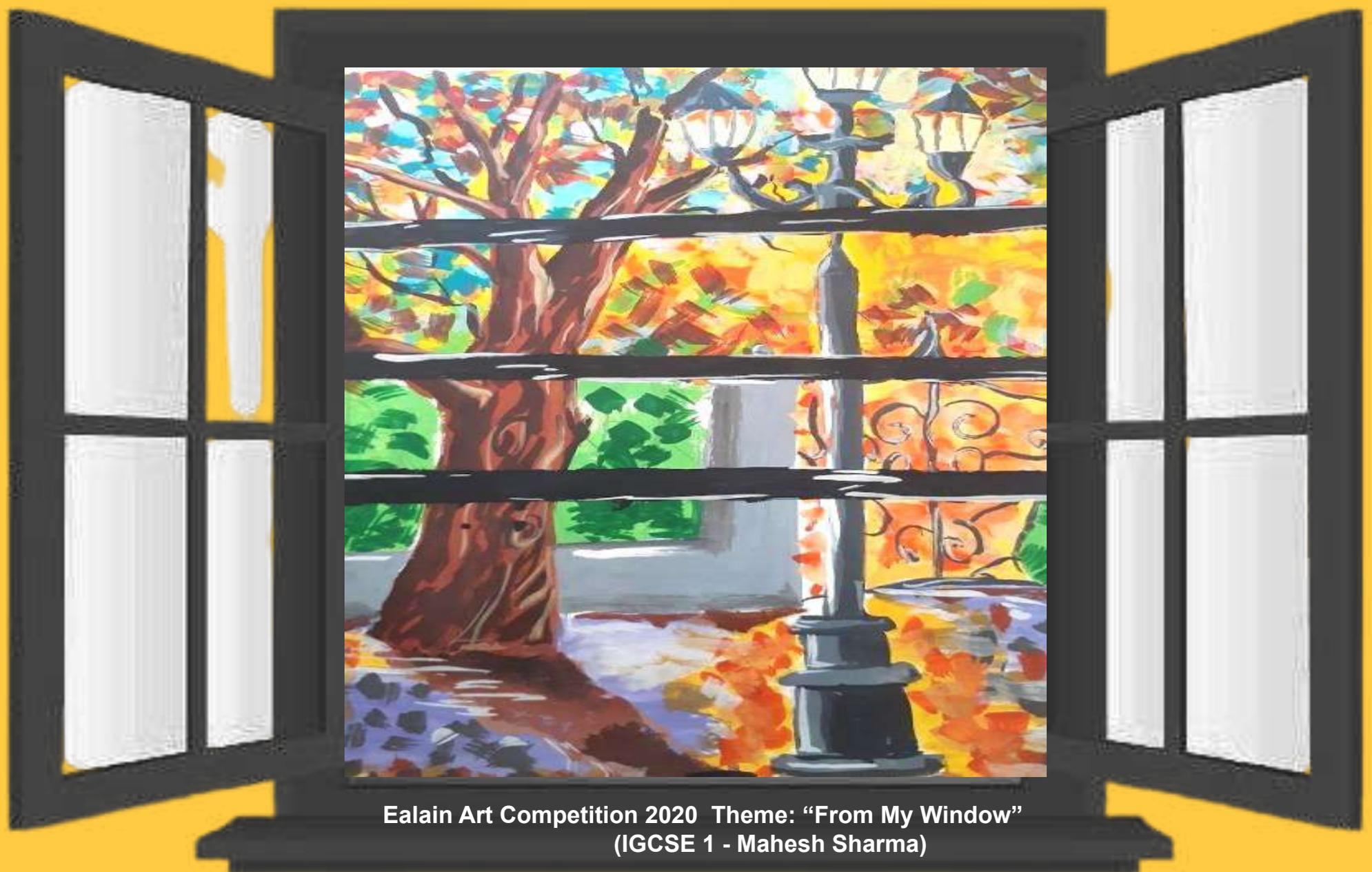


**BUNTS SANGHA'S
S M SHETTY INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL & JUNIOR COLLEGE
AN IB WORLD SCHOOL**

THE BUZZ

SEPTEMBER - NOVEMBER 2020



Ealain Art Competition 2020 Theme: "From My Window"
(IGCSE 1 - Mahesh Sharma)



“We are proud to announce that our school has been ranked among the top five schools in Zone C offering the International Curriculum according to the Times School Survey 2020.

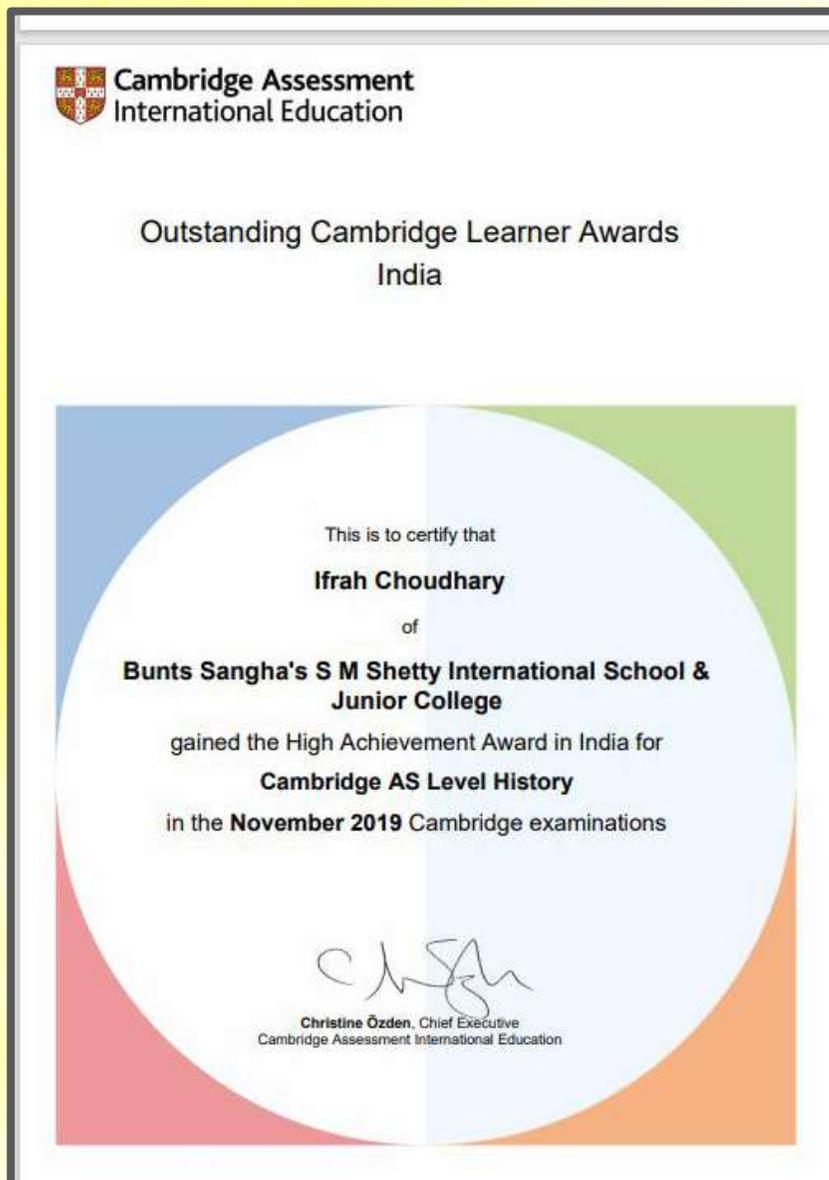
We thank our Management, faculty, students and parents for their continuous efforts and support that has enabled us to achieve this ranking.”

Student Achievements

We are delighted to share that our student **Ms Ifrah Choudhary** has received the **Cambridge Outstanding Learner Award** in the **category High Achievement for History at AS level** in the Cambridge November 2019 series.

We are very proud of Ifrah and congratulate her on her stupendous achievement. We wish her even greater success in her further endeavours.

We also commend the efforts of Ifrah's parents and teachers who have been instrumental in her success.



**“Mindset is Everything ,
once you believe you can
Achieve almost anything,
You most likely will!”**

Student Achievements

Our little IEYCians have once again proved their mettle by achieving stupendous success in the Mastermind Exams at the National Levels. They participated in subjects like English, Mathematics and EVS and have secured the following ranks –

Arin Patankar and **Kushagra Agrawal** from IEYC III B & **Hridaya Shetty** of IEYC III D secured 4th rank in Math

Sae Yukta Durve of IEYC I B secured 5th rank in EVS

Rhianna Celestine of IEYC I B secured 9th rank in English

Vihaa Menon of IEYC II B secured 9th rank in English



Arin Patankar



**Kushagra
Agrawal**



Hridaya Shetty



**Sae Yukta
Durve**



Rhianna Celestine



Vihaa Menon



Quiz competitions encourage students to look beyond their textual knowledge and establish a relationship between theory and application of the learnt concepts.

Our students of **Checkpoint 3A**, **Aanya Patel** and **Krishna Tiwari** secured the **first position** in the **Interschool Rotary Club Quiz Competition**.



An Ode to Teachers



Samvit Manikurve

Samvit Manikurve (AS)

-'Literary Colonel' by StoryMirror

We congratulate Samvit and wish him success in his literary pursuits in the future!

Our Most Adorable Teachers

*To that Knowledge, which is the Manifestation of the Eternal,
To that Knowledge, which is our first stepping stone of life,
To that Knowledge, which is our path to reach our goal of life,
To that Knowledge and its expert Teachers, our humble Salutations!*

*To that Knowledge, which enlightens us,
To that Knowledge, which brightens our mind from the darkness of evil,
To that Knowledge, which is used by mankind to serve itself,
To that Knowledge and its expert Teachers, our humble Salutations!
Eternally present in all beings,
Destroying the roots of ignorance,
Laying the foundation of happiness and bliss,
To such compassionate Teachers, our humble Salutations!*

*To those who teach directly and to those who do so indirectly,
To those who help us transcend our limitations,
By teaching all that can be taught and all that can't,
To such vibrant teachers, our humble Salutations!*

*You teach the knowledge Divine,
You illuminate the deluded mind,
May our mind, with knowledge shine,
May bliss come to you, the nurturer of mankind.
Such is our wish, as we wish you a Happy Teacher's Day!
Such is our prayer, as we thank you for being there for us always!!*

Teacher Achievement

We proudly announce the publication of our own Faculty **Ms Aparna Das's Action Research Paper** on 27th August 2020 in the ERIC-Education Resources Information Centre. ERIC is an online library of education research and information, sponsored by the Institute of Education Sciences (IES) of the U.S. Department of Education. Her valuable inputs in the field of Education on the topic ' Effectiveness of Flipped Classroom on Academic Performance of Students' provided impetus to all teachers to implement the strategy in their classrooms.



Student Achievement



YIOS Youth Impact Diversity & Inclusion Online Summit by Orion Square & UN V-open to students from 9th Grade onwards, where they get to participate as delegates and an opportunity to interact on the panel of thought leaders on 18th Nov 2020 participate in the Zero hour of Youth Inclusion Parliament with their questions and views. **Sharanyaa Nair from IBDP II**, was selected to be a student interactor for the Youth Impact And Inclusion Summit (YIOS) organized by orion square and UN volunteers India. She was one of the winners of the YIOS twitter-chat competitions.

Opportunities for Students



Chadwick Boseman, a Marvel hero Black Panther also known as T'Challa has imprinted the fictional character in every child's mind, his demise was an uproar of a hero leaving too soon.

Students of **Checkpoint IIB** depicted an immense **tribute to Chadwick** and beautiful insights how they looked up to him.

No matter who you are or where you are, if there's one thing you can learn from Black Panther and Chadwick Boseman, it's uncompromising, shameless grace, for that is the only way we find new life in an untimely death. Long live the king.



17 students from **CP to Checkpoint II** participated in the **'Royal Game' Chaturanga** - an inter-school Chess Championship at Billabong High International School, Andheri on 24th October 2020.



On the 20th of September, 2020 students across grades **IGCSE, A levels & IBDP** participated in a **Design Thinking Workshop** conducted by ENpower, an online entrepreneurial platform that trains with skill sets. The workshop aimed at introducing innovative design thinking to prepare students for evolving careers where skillsets are of prime importance.



Knowledge is of no value unless you put it into practice. - Anton Chekov

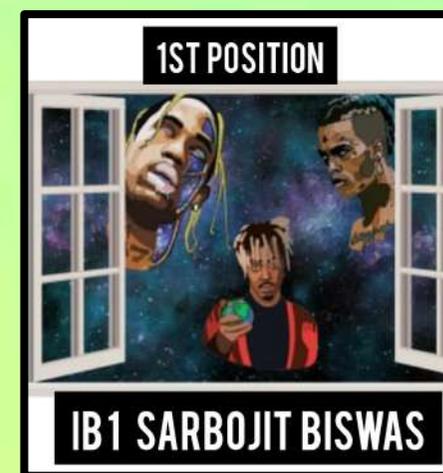
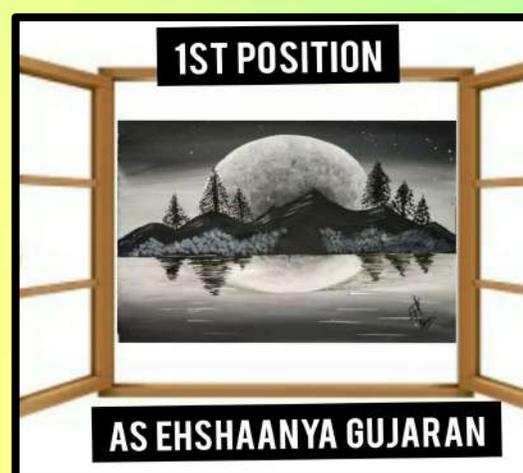
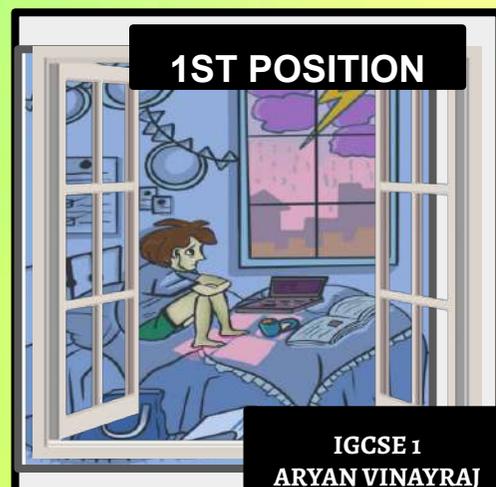
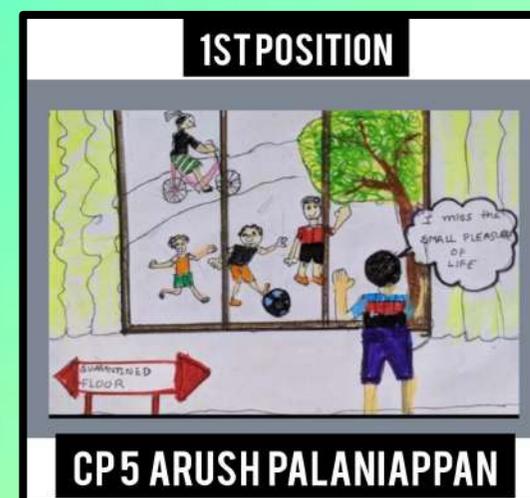
On 2nd November, 20 Umang students put their skills into practice in an interaction with students of S. M. Shetty International School as part of the Umang Buddy Program. Students of underprivileged backgrounds interacted with our students in a virtual environment to practice their skills and build the confidence to speak in English.

The **IBDP Year I** students planned a variety of activities around the theme of Diwali, including singing, card making and games involving translations. Students from both schools participated enthusiastically and enjoyed building a learning community. We look forward to extending these virtual Buddy experiences to help our students build empathy and communication skills especially while most of their learning is limited to the virtual world.



EALÁIN 2020

The **IBDP I** student led initiative-“**EALÁIN 2020**” **Art competition** was conducted across grades **CP III to IGCSE ,AS and IBDP I** in an attempt to foster Creativity & Critical Thinking in the lockdown times. **The theme**” **From my Window**” encouraged students to reflect and look at life around and translate their imagination into a picture in medium of choice. **IBDP I** students promoted the activity with promotional teasers and posters on school Facebook page and Google classroom. We thank all the students for their participation and commend the **IBDP team** on their efforts.



Hindi Diwas Celebrations

The Hindi Department celebrated 'Hindi Diwas week' from 14/09/2020 to 18/09/2020. (हिंदी दिवस साप्ताहिक समारोह)

Theme: भारतीय संस्कृति विविधता में एकता
Unity in diversity (India)

The students of CP II to CP V wore traditional dress according to their theme and celebrated this event with enthusiasm.

CP I & II students recited poems on the theme of fruits and birds while the students of CP III & IV spoke about Indian traditional dress and recipes. The students of CP V presented songs, drama and dance in their regional languages.

वर्तमान समय शिक्षा के इतिहास में स्वर्णिम अक्षरों में अंकित होगा क्योंकि यह समय कोई आम समय नहीं है, इससे हम सभी भली-भांति अवगत है। इस विषम परिस्थिति में भी एस. एम. शेटी अंतर्राष्ट्रीय विद्यालय के विद्यार्थियों ने हिंदी दिवस पर मनमोहक, ज्ञानवर्धक एवं अविस्मरणीय प्रस्तुति दी।



Hindi Diwas Celebrations

Students from **Checkpoint** participated in various activities to celebrate the occasion of **Hindi Diwas** spanning from the 14th to 18th of September. Students of Checkpoint I presented plays, poems and songs on the 'Hasya Rasa', one of the nine rasa in Hindi Literature and other Indian Artforms. The students of Checkpoint II, depicted Indian festivals through a variety of mediums such as dramas, songs, instruments, speeches and games. The presentations made by the students of Checkpoint III revolved around Hindi idioms. They presented plays, interviews, news clippings and games on the theme "Muhavaro Ka Sansar".



On the 6th of November the students of **IBDP I and II** celebrated Diwali by appreciating the Cultural Diversity in the different regions in India during Diwali. It was an informative, engaging and a colourful session as there were presentations, ramp walks and more.



The **S M Shetty International School Model United Nations (SMSISMUN)** held on 12-13 September, 2020 was a successful virtual MUN, led completely by the students. The conference brought together 48 students from school, college and university to recreate: **United Nations Security Council (HUNSC), World Health Organisation (WHO), Lok Sabha, Fédération Internationale de Football Association (FIFA), Social Impact** .

We commend the efforts of the Executive Board and the Organising Committee of SMSISMUN.

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Aditi Karthik, Organising Committee

The committees and Agendas

1) United Nations Security Council (HUNSC)

Agenda

A) Indo-Pak Crisis of 1971- Freeze Date- 15th December 1971.

2) World Health Organisation (WHO)

Agenda

A) Disease control in humanitarian emergencies.

Agenda

B) Addressing the issue of rising prices of medication worldwide.

3) Lok Sabha

Agenda

A) The situation of Kashmir in regard with special emphasis with AFSPA with special emphasis on the religious rights of the citizen.

Agenda

B) Secular Fabric of India with lights on recent events.

4) Fédération Internationale de Football Association (FIFA)

Agenda

A) Discussion of racial abuse in football.

Agenda

B) Discussing the current situation of government intervention in football.

5) Social Impact

Agenda

A) Deliberating the agitation caused by the new EIA draft in India.



“Organising this MUN has been quite a learning experience. Accountability, leadership, teamwork and relationship management skills is one of the few things I developed upon during the several months leading to the event. This enabled me to learn more about myself and gain confidence in my decision making. It has given me a lot of insight into what it takes to be a leader specifically in situations where there are many stakeholders affected by our decisions. I am indubitably grateful for this opportunity which has helped prepare me better to face future challenges.”



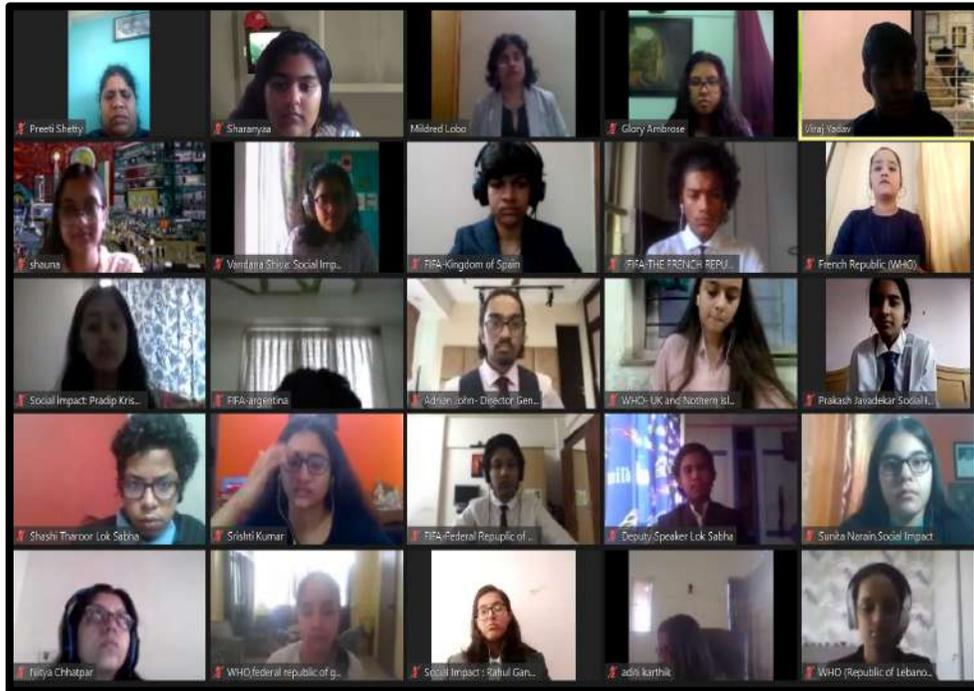
“This year's MUN was definitely challenging, to say the least. But even during this phase of adversity, my team and I successfully managed to hold a virtual edition of SMSISMUN 2020! Being a part of the social media team and USG photography helped me push my creative boundaries and deliver content that I was proud of. I also learnt about the importance of time management, communication and constructive criticism. Overall, it was amazing to see our efforts pay off:) glad to be a part of the SMSISMUN OC!”

Link for Videos:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1IMuKdvGDkk5IT5TBf9L7JAPQTiw0LdZY?usp=sharing>

SMSISMUN-2020

OPENING CEREMONY



LOK SABHA



HUNSC



WHO



FIFA



CLOSING CEREMONY



Opportunities for Students



7 students from **AS** and **IB** have participated in an online investment simulation for high school students. Together with a supervisor, they learn about teamwork, communication, risk, diversification, company analysis, industry analysis and investing.

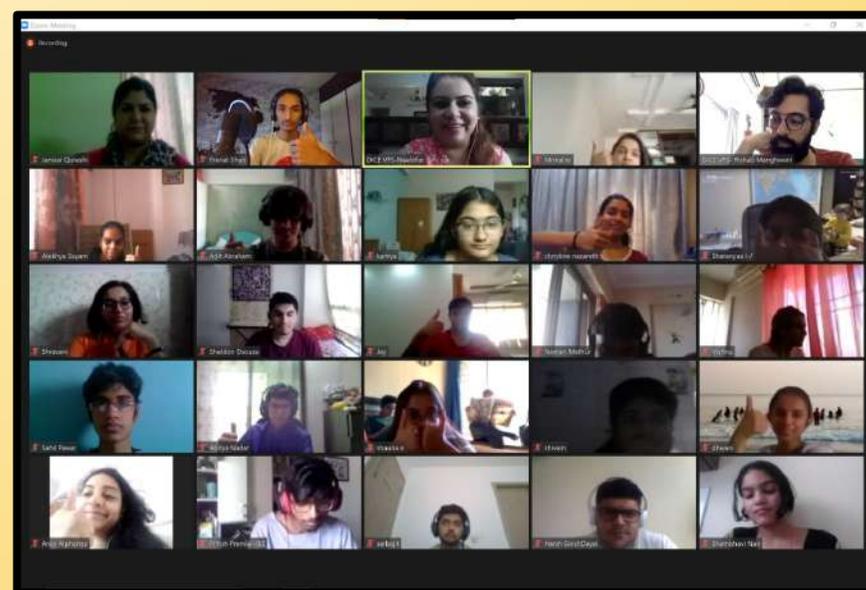


Sharanya Nair from **IBDP 2** spoke about her enriching CAS experience to the **IBDP1** students on 17th Sept, 2020. She gave them practical ideas, shared the process of making a CAS entry on Managebac and also shared some tips on how to enjoy CAS during COVID.

The stop motion workshop by DICE for students of **IBDP** encapsulated various different aspects of animations and movie making. It showcased the importance and power of creativity and technology in the upcoming generations. **Pranat Shah** from **IB1** commented, “Attending the VFS workshop by DICE helped me gain more clarity in my subject of interest i.e. cinematography. It was really fun watching the basics of animation, how a few seconds simple pencil drawing animation is made and how that concept is used in modern-day cartoons and movies.

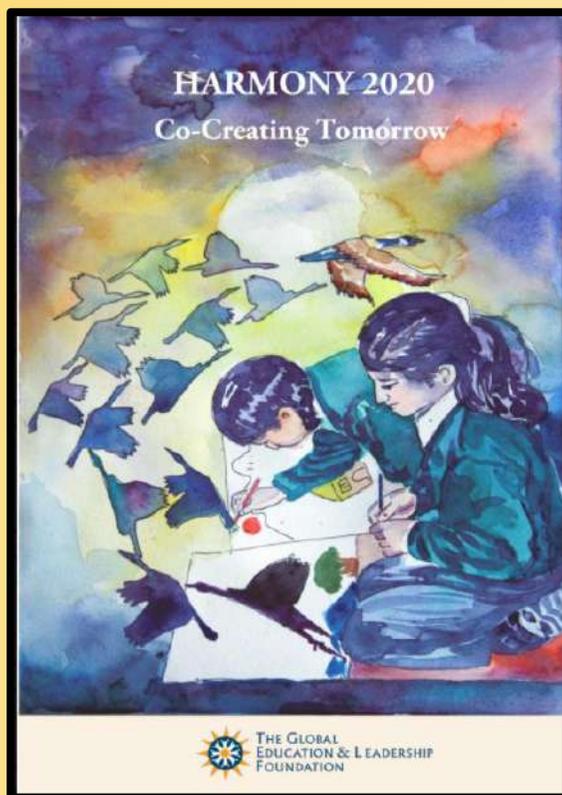


Our school has successfully cleared the **Bronze and Silver Level of the SEC** and a team of students from the **AS Level** has submitted the **Business Idea for the GOLD Level**. The students are creating plans to execute this challenge even amidst the pandemic. We decided to sell masks since this is the need of the hour. Our tagline - “**EACH ONE - MAKE ONE - SELL ONE**” will involve students learning how to stitch masks and sell them too.



Opportunities for Students

Shambhavi Nair from **IBDP- I** and **Simran Bhardwaj** from **AS** participated in the **Digital National Finals of HARMONY 2020 Co-Creating Tomorrow**, a pioneering school level International event held by The Global Education & Leadership Foundation. Harmony works towards bringing together teenage students from India and overseas for a series of competitions and workshops, with the objective of searching for social, action-oriented leadership talent.



Shambhavi Nair



Simran Bhardwaj

Students across IEYC to IBDP & A level, participated in various competitions organised on the 3rd Inter school Science and Technology Day celebration held from the **10th of September to 12th September 2020 at Seven Isles International School, Mulund.**



Role play On Corona Warriors
Viraj Tripathi (CP I)



Role play as Teacher
Prarthana Nair (CP II)

Opportunities for Students



Kiranmayee Lad, our student from **Checkpoint II** attended the **Harvard Mentoring Program (Stem)** on 31 October 2020.

A team of nine PhD scholars from HGWISE mentored 30 girls over 2 hours on the following topics :
What does it mean to be a woman in science?

- Personal journeys of the Harvard mentors
- Resource and career opportunities in STEM

The Focus Group Workshop is a part of the Young Women in STEM Mentoring Program in collaboration with Harvard Graduate Women in Science & Engineering (HGWISE). It seeks to inspire our girls to become the next generation of scientists, inventors, and innovators.

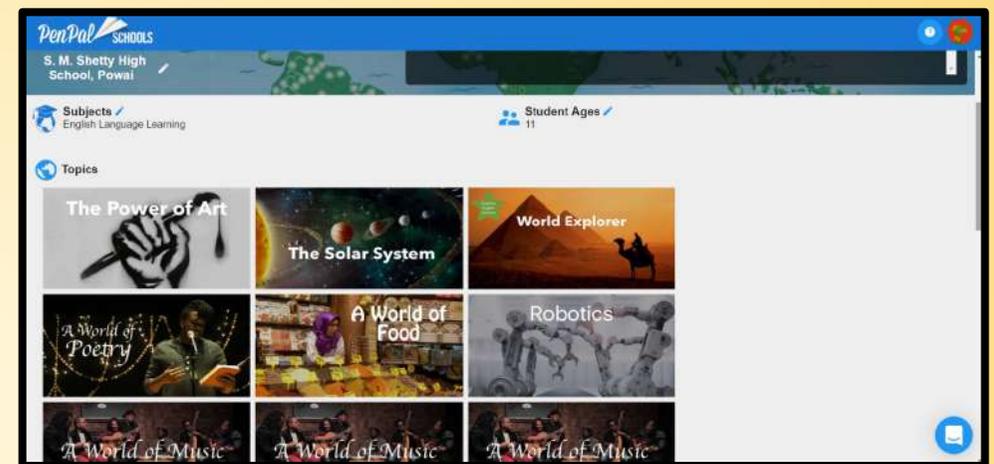
It was an excellent opportunity for Kiranmayee to interact with Harvard scientists, who are engaged in cutting-edge research across disciplines.

‘Diversity is the reason for people to learn and grow, forming new and different perspectives.’

PenPal Schools is a platform that builds global awareness and collaboration skills while facilitating cross-cultural and authentic experiences for students.

Students of **Checkpoint I & II** are developing skills like reading, writing, digital citizenship, social and emotional factors through various projects.

Students connected a text of interest and shared this reflection with peers across the world.



The students of **IB1, AS and IGCSE** connected with the students of **PrepaTec Campus Ciudad de Mexico (Indonesia)** on the 18th September, 2020 over a dialogue session on the topic Peace and Reconciliation. This Zoom platform by **GENERATION GLOBAL**, an initiative of Tony Blair Faith Foundation diminished geographical boundaries creating strong connections of global friendships amongst the students.

LEARN WITH LEADERS

Young Women in STEM
Mentoring Program

HARVARD GRADUATE WOMEN IN SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING
at Harvard University

Interact with 10 mentors from Harvard Graduate Women in Science & Engineering

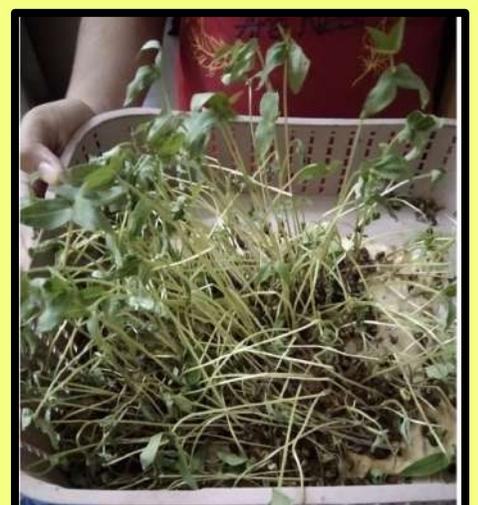
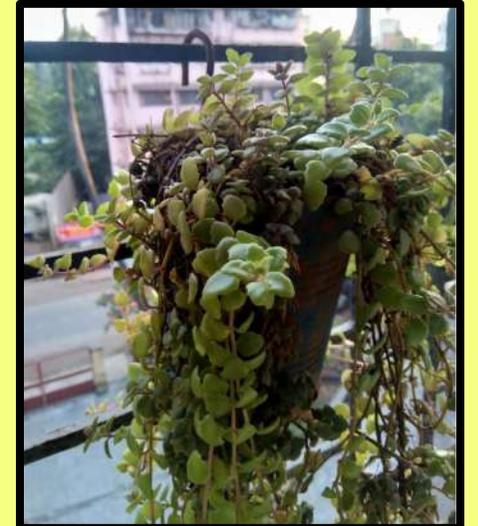
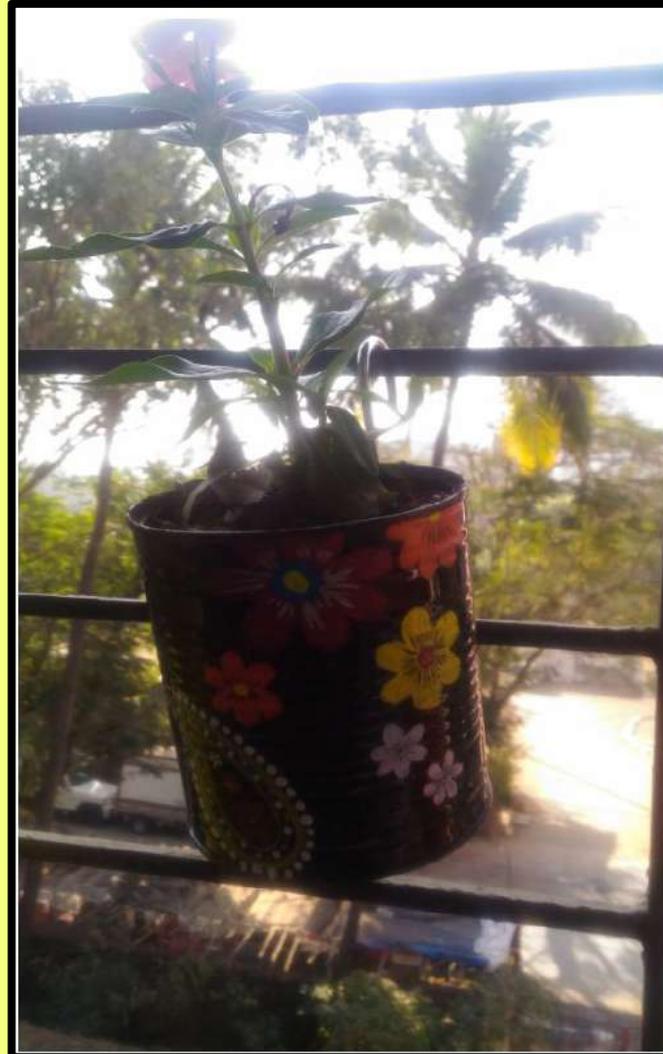
WHAT IS IT?
An online Focus Group Activity to explore Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) as future career pursuits and set the tone for future HGWISE events in India.

WHOM IS IT FOR?
A select group of 30 girl students (from grades 8-9) from government-run & privately owned schools cross India.



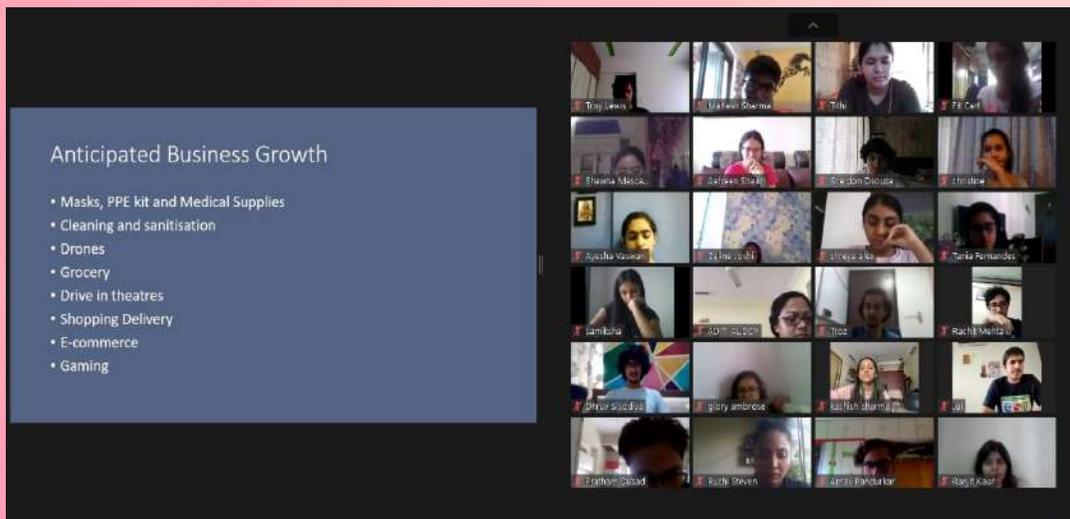
Towards a Greener Environment

Team Green organised it's first session on Friday, 16th October. There were about 100+ enthusiastic students who participated in this event. Our faculty **Ms. Rachana Birju** taught our students how easily we can grow green gram plants at home. Art faculty, **Ms. Josephine Davis** showed our students to create colourful hanging garden using waste plastic bottles . This session took us one step closer to saving our environment.

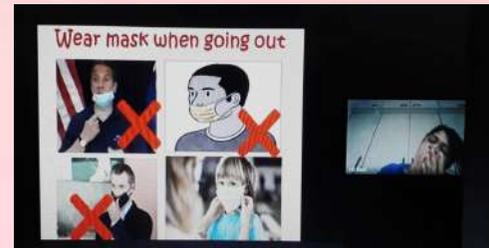


Guest Lectures

The Commerce department organized a talk on “**Business Sustenance and Growth during COVID**” by **Dr. Prerna Tambay** who is an academic and an engaged researcher on 9th Oct, 2020. She is senior lecturer at the University of London, Birmingham, Oxford, Brunel and Birbeck and has spoken at the High Commission of India and House of Lords .The **commerce students of IG1, IG2, A levels and IBDP** learnt about recovery paths of global economies, future skills and potential careers through this interactive session.



On the occasion of the **Child Health Day**, 5th October 2020, **Dr. Roli Dave**, **Coordinator and consultant Physiotherapist with Dr. L H Hiranandani Hospital** had an informative session with our little **IEYCians** on necessary habits to be followed during this pandemic. She sensitized children to the importance of maintaining good hygiene, eating healthy, wearing a mask, maintaining social distance and exercising regularly. She showed the pulse oximeter to the children and also told them about its uses.



Ms Sharvari Deshpande, a singer and an Actor of Meghna Gulzaar “Chappak fame and **Ms. Natasha Mehta**, Counselling Psychologist in our school, with years of experience with Mindfulness Training and a Life Skills Coordinator engaged in a thought provoking discussion on the influence of Music on the mind with students of **IBDP** in a Theory of Knowledge Class.

Assemblies

CP IV students presented their first virtual assembly on Monday, 5th October 2020. The theme for the assembly was '**Revisiting our roots(values)**'. All the students from grade IV participated with great enthusiasm. Their performance included dance, skit and a song which not only was enjoyed by all, but there were several learnings for each one of us.



On 28th September 2020 the students of **AS level** encapsulated the various themes and ideas celebrated in the month of September; ranging from national dance and tourism day to acknowledging and appreciating the importance of our grandparents, the immense success of the internal MUN (Model United Nations) hosted by our school and more. They embraced the rich vocabulary and essence of our country's spoken language; Hindi through an exciting quiz. Songs, dances and excellent anchoring made this Assembly a memorable one.



— ★ ★ ★ —
A special celebration for the teachers was organised by the students of **IGCSE II** on 5th September, 2020, appreciating and acknowledging the efforts and hard work of teachers in making the students responsible individuals.



Competitions



Patriotism flows from a grateful heart. It is seen in actions that help sustain what so many have struggled, fought and died to preserve. Music is the universal language of mankind and to stimulate the feeling of patriotism among the students, the Student Council organized a **“Patriotic Singing Competition”** on 30 th September, 2020 for **CP V** students on the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti.

This was the very first initiative from our **Junior Student Council** led by **Head boy - Aarav Rathore** and ably supported by the team. The event was well anchored and had a variety of patriotic songs with a mix of old and new. The judges ,Ms.Prasanna Sukuru and Ms. Amruta Kulkarni commended the students for their great efforts.

Winners:

1st Position : **Mayank Rane** CP VE
2nd Position : **Ayati Kaul** CP VE
3rd Prize : **Gaurang Waigankar** CP VB
Consolation : **Advay Sashankar** CP VC

★★★
Show and Tell competition was conducted on Friday, 4th September for the students of **CP I & II**. They brought their favourite item and spoke on it for one minute. Students were very excited and participated whole-heartedly. The aim of the competition was to develop their social, emotional and language skills. It also helped the children to communicate their thoughts, feelings and emotions with words. Apart from that it also helped the children to develop their vocabulary & communication skills. It also gave them self confidence to speak in public. This was a class competition and the winners were :

Winners :

CP IA

1st position - **Rewa Rathore**

Reyansh Jagtab

2nd position - **Medhansh Vij**

3rd position - **Anshuman Jayant**

Ayaan Ram

Consolation- **Shyna Mestry**

Mridula Nadar

Competitions

CP IB

- 1st position - **Aarav Paul**
- 2nd position - **Bhavika Daga & Binaisha Shetty**
- 3rd position - **Aakash Ghosh**

CP IC

- 1st position - **Neel Kota**
- 2nd position - **Aanya Shah**
- 3rd position - **Pihu Shah**

CP IIA

- 1st position - **Pearl Amit Jain**
- 2nd position - **Devanshkumar Brijeshkumar Patel**
- 3rd position - **Ashrita Priyesh Rajpopat**
- Consolation - **Varun Vijay Srivastava**

CP IIB

- 1st position - **Svara Nandgirikar**
- 2nd position - **Ishita kotian**
- 3rd position - **Simrat Kaur Panthiya**
- Consolation - **Atharva Mishra**
- Consolation - **Tirtha Sajaikumar**

CP IIC

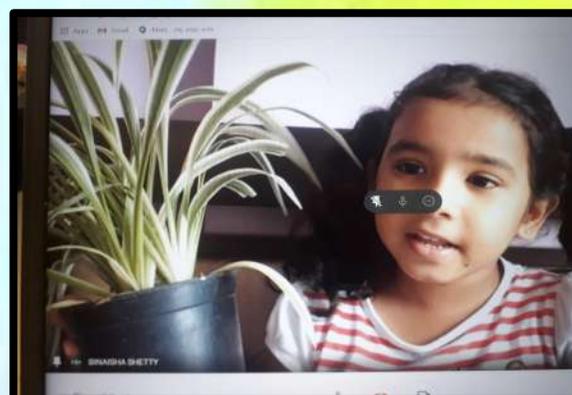
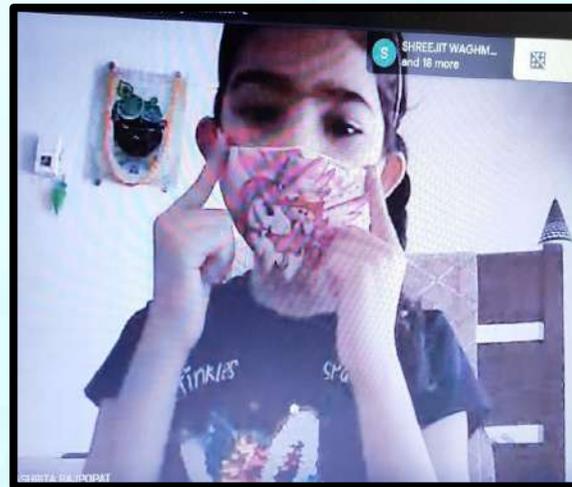
- 1st position - **Driti Kothari**
- 2nd position - **Adit Parakh**
Yuven Kothari
- 3rd position - **Kimaya Jain**
- Consolation - **Ravvy Shetty**

CP IID

- 1st position - **Sahasra Karthihaimani**
- 2nd position - **Mitansh Dohare**
- 3rd position - **Avyaan Pantane**
- Consolation- **Aarohi Kadam**
Harseeka Hoskatti

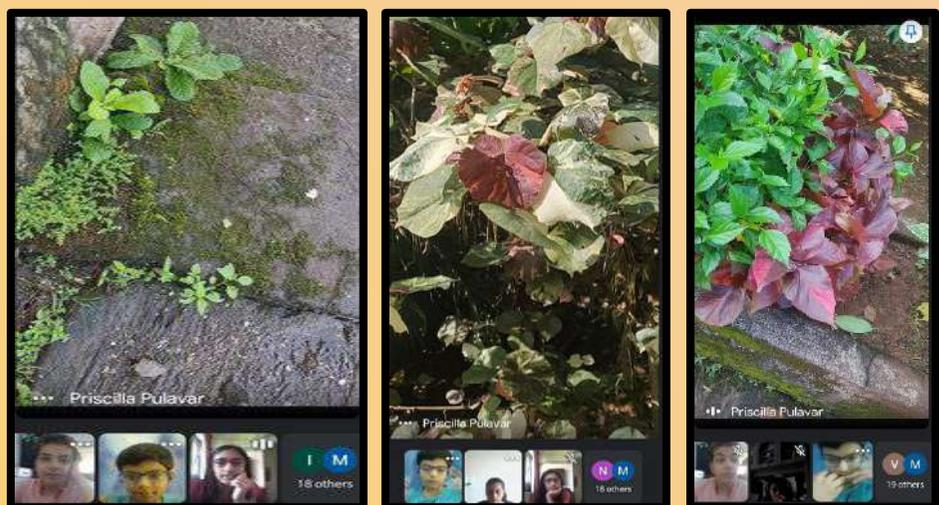
CP IIE

- 1st position - **Saket Ananthakrishnan**
Prisha Sood
- 2nd position - **Rishaan Shah**
- 3rd position - **Ananya Jain**
- Consolation- **Misheeta Acharya**
Janay Mukherjee



Active Learning

As one of the Biology Revision classes, the students of **Checkpoint II** were virtually taken for a walk in the park wherein they revised the chapter: How plants grow and photosynthesis. Different concepts of variegated leaf, stomatal cell opening, flow of water in the root hair, algae, chlorophyll etc. were revisited during the walk.



While learning the states of matter and changes in states of matter our young learners of **Checkpoint 1** carried out various experiments on the rate of evaporation, melting of ice, how temperature affects the rate of solubility of a solute, gas pressure, etc.

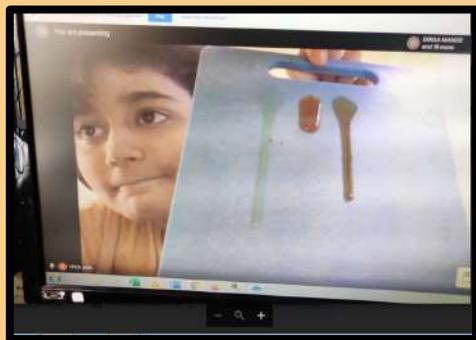


Properties of Matter saw students making a density tower using different liquids like colored water, cooking oil, dish wash, shampoo, etc.



Active Learning

Checkpoint I had fluid run competition which cleared the concept of fluidity and viscosity and their relationship. At the end of the session they concluded that more the viscosity lesser is the fluidity.



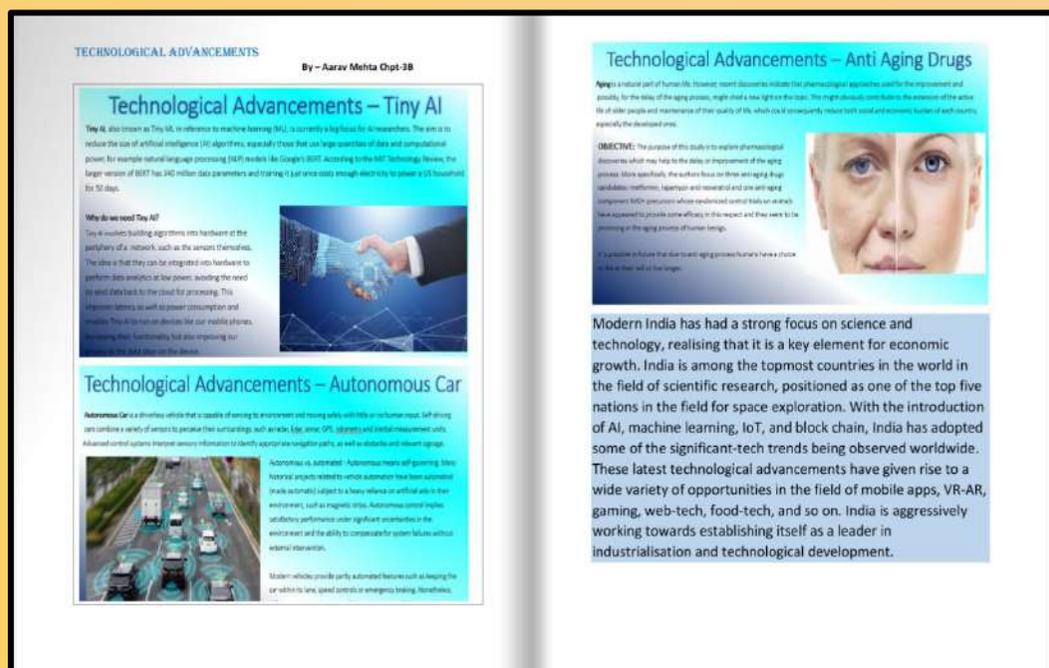
Creativity gives us a sense of purpose. Students of **Checkpoint III B** expressed their ideas by creating their own online magazine.

To view the Class Magazine please click on this link.

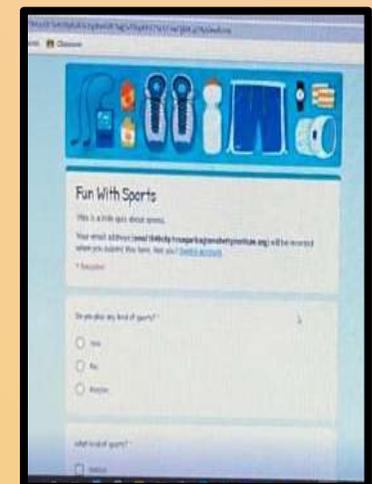
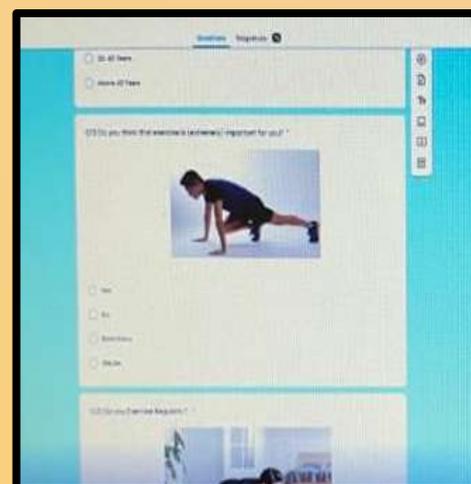
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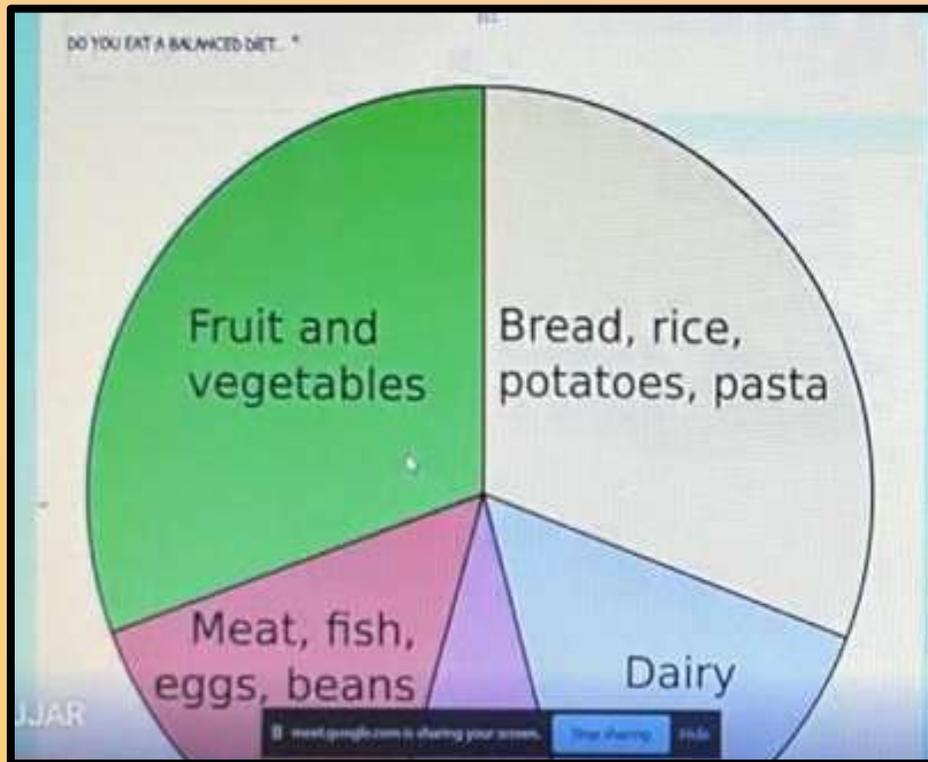
Business students of IB1 and AS worked in collaboration to learn about marketing strategies. The culminating activity was a presentation of business plans of groups promoting their food truck business. From managing initial capital, to designing the menu and the layout of food truck, pricing strategy and competitive strategies the students exhibited their understanding of effective marketing.



While learning 'The Methods of data collection' in Mathematics, the students of **Checkpoint 1** carried out an activity on the Method of Data collection – 'Questionnaire' using google forms. They collected information from their classmates on sports, hobbies and diet & exercise.



Active Learning



Checkpoint I students self designed logos, whilst learning the essence of building brand identity, fostering brand loyalty and leave an unforgettable impression to the audience which will provide local and national recognition.



Opportunities for Teachers

Principal Mildred Lobo attended a **Virtual School Leadership Programme** geared towards improving school performance and classroom learning. This was conducted by Penta International Ltd (a UK-based internationally recognised school accreditation agency) and UK Skills (an organisation enabling best practice, quality educational resources and innovative systems to be brought from the UK to India)

The Leadership team attended the conference **Leading with Grit & Grace** a platform to share, learn and be inspired from all the Covid-19 crisis has taught us about impactful leadership styles. The conference brought together an eclectic group of thought leaders and changemakers who have come together to deliberate on how to build effective leadership styles for the future, how to leverage the benefits of technology to provide equal opportunities to all and how to positively impact the leadership pipeline of tomorrow.



The **IBDP teachers** participated in the virtual **SAIBSA - JOB ALIKE SESSION** on the 20th and 21st of November. Teachers across the globe shared ideas, challenges and solutions that help teachers cope during the time of the pandemic. There were sessions for **ATL skills, CAS and TOK.**

Leadership Diaries

- What makes leadership the cornerstone of an educational institution?
- What is the mind make-up of an educational leader?
- How does a leader convert obstacles to opportunities?

On 2nd October 2020, **Principal Mildred Lobo** engaged with **Principals and General Manager** of our Institution in a candid conversation that went beyond classroom and curriculum.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UYDm24moosM>

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Leadership Diaries

A Candid Conversation with Leaders in Education

Dr. Sridhara Shetty
Principal, College

Ms. Seema Sabhlok
Principal, State Board School

Ms. Mildred Lobo
Principal, International School

Dr. Sandeep Singh
General Manager, Administration & Academics

Moderated by
Pratima Bhandarkar
Head, Counselling Centre

Friday, 2nd October 2020
5-6:30 pm

Open to: Teachers & Aspiring Leaders

Watch LIVE on BSSMSEI

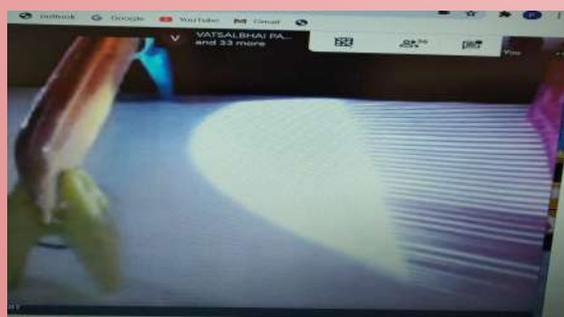
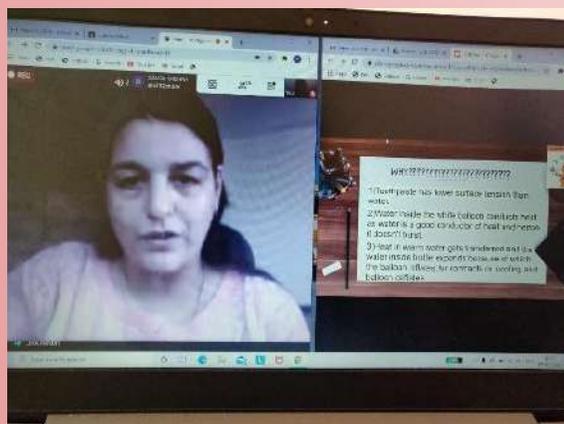
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Happenings

Curious Minds Club

A few minutes of Yoga during the day can be a great way to get rid of stress that accumulates daily, in both, body and the mind. Corona Yoga postures, Pranayama and meditation are effective techniques to release stress. With this aim, **CURIOUS MINDS** had the privilege of hosting a professional yoga instructor-**Ms. Suvarna Pawar** (M.A. in Yoga). Followed by the yoga session there was a talk on Corona prevention techniques and Kadha making.

A very engaging and informative session was conducted by one of our **Dr. Goldy Pandit** where science experiments on light and law of inertia were demonstrated. Students also learnt to make electromagnet, lava lamp and water timer.



Students and Teachers attended a fascinating session **'Towards Peak Potential'** by **Mr Viveck Shetty**. It was an opportunity to gain an insight into the working of the human mind. Students benefited by the strategies shared to enhance focus and to eliminate fears.

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"Towards Peak Potential with Viveck Shetty"

While a vast majority of mankind have understood the 'I phone', very few have understood the 'I'

This webinar by **Viveck Shetty** will give fascinating, intriguing insights into the human mind that will help develop greater focus and concentration, eliminate anxieties and fears and ensure that you are conducting life at Peak Potential. Most importantly, it will also pave the way for a joyful and exuberant existence.

All this in a riveting format that will be full of engaging and enriching stories, with a generous dose of humour.

One idea, one thought, one technique can change your life forever.

Date – **September 23, 2020.**
Time – **5: 00 p.m.**
Join us on **ZOOM**

It could happen at this webinar. Be there.

Teachers Day celebration – CP IV

The students of CP IV celebrated Teachers' Day on 4th September 2020 to show their appreciation and gratitude towards their teachers. The students collectively made a beautiful video with heartfelt messages and poems for their teachers. In the words of a parent "It's the teachers that make the difference, not the classroom"



Halloween at IEYC

Halloween is not just about putting on a costume, but it's about finding the imagination within ourselves. On 2nd November 2020 our little IEYCians had an exciting day as they dressed up as ghosts, beautiful fairies, super heroes, scary witches etc. and enjoyed making the Halloween pumpkin. Oh! What a scary day it was.



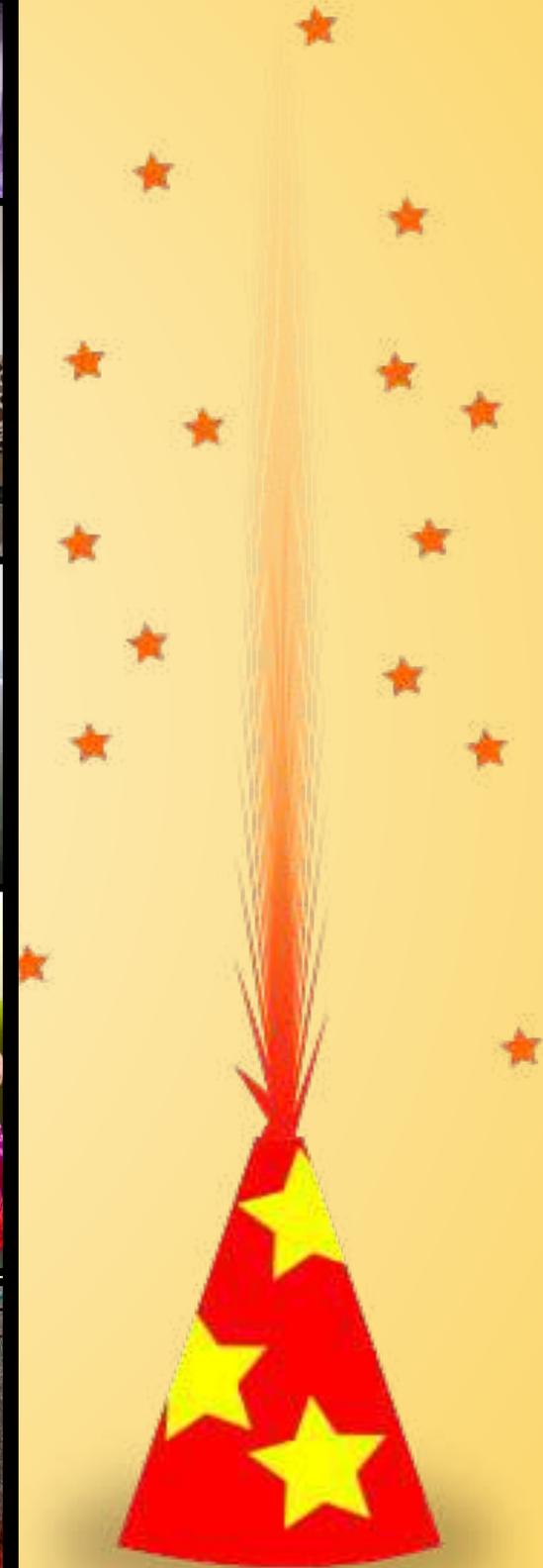
“Watch me Cook!”

Hands-on learning activities help in exploring new things. Cooking can help children to build their self-confidence and lay the foundation for healthy eating habits. On Friday, 9th October 2020, IEYCians had a great time making delicious sandwiches (IEYC I & II) and yummy Fruit Skewers (IEYC III).



Celebrating the Festival of Lights!

On Thursday 5th November 2020, our little IEYCians celebrated Diwali, the festival of light with great festive gusto. Children wore colourful traditional clothes and wholeheartedly enjoyed making and decorating colourful lanterns and diyas. They lit up the classrooms with their bright smiles.



Family Engagement Day

At SMSISJC we believe that it's not just the students but the whole family is part of their educational journey. The first of its kind, 'Family Engagement Day' was celebrated in the month of September by the students of IEYC and CP section. We witnessed wonderful performances by father-daughter, mother-son, siblings and even pets. The performances ranged from dance to music to magic tricks. It was an exciting day for all the IEYCians too. The children along with their family members enthralled us with their wonderful performances - be it singing, dancing, cooking, storytelling, you name it – they have done it all.



Kindness Drive at IEYC

It is of utmost importance to instill the values of goodness and empathy right from the early years of childhood. Keeping this in mind we engaged our little ones in a Kindness drive. From spending time with their grandparents, to helping their parents with the daily chores, playing with their pets and taking care of their potted plants our little IEYCians have indeed shown that kindness is the most important tool to spread love among humanity.



Kindness
Matters!!



“An Ocean of Learning”-IEYC I



I have learnt so many things about ocean life



I had so much fun doing the crab activity



Float and Sink activity



Five little fishes swimming in the sea



I have a blue balloon and a blue block



I can identify blue colour now



I had fun learning the concept of Empty and Full



I am a scuba diver



Do you wanna come for a drive in my blue car



I am an octopus and look at my 8 tentacles

Peek into IEYC I



My blue whale



Meet Pingu, the penguin and his friend Ollie, the octopus



Look at my beautiful blue umbrella



Mr Crab saysHelloooooo



Look I made an octopus



We are going to the beach to build a sand castle



Under the blue sea we all live happily



Meet Ollie the octopus



See i coloured my ocean blue



Letter A paper sticking activity



My teachers says meditation is good



That's my Crabby crab



My star fish looks just like a star



My cute little octopus

Peek into IEYC II



Airplane airplane up in the sky



My colourful tyre tracks



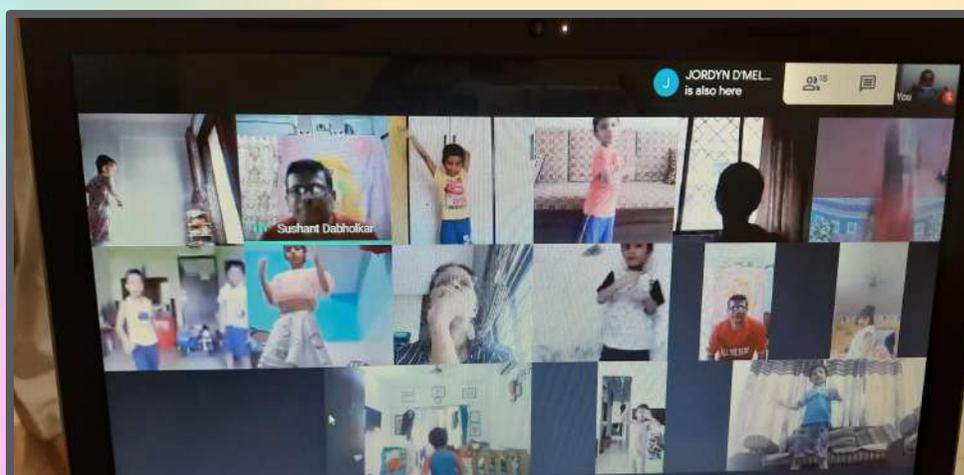
My double decker bus



I have all kinds of transport toy vehicles-land, air and water



I am enjoying tyre tracing activity



Enjoying the dance session



I need to concentrate



I love lemon and spoon race



I will take my family to all the beautiful places in my blue car



Oooh! different types of tyres makes different set of tracks



Peek into IEYC II



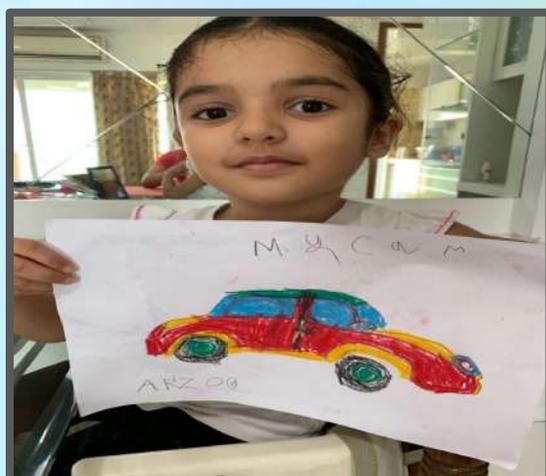
This is my school bus



Look at my tyre tracings



Red says stop, amber says slow, green says go



This is my smart, colourful car, Sunny



Traffic light activity was soooooo fun



Paper tearing activity is so fun



My beautiful school van



Teachers i am enjoying tyre tracing activity



My wonder car. It can fly and go on the road too

Community helpers dress-up activity - IEYC III



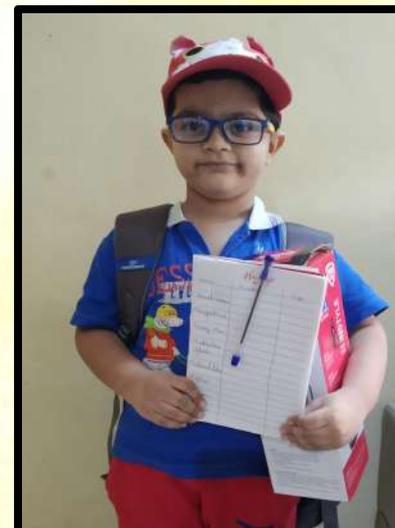
Buckle up your seat belts and I will take to the World around us



Here comes firefighter Fred



I am a farmer - the backbone of our country



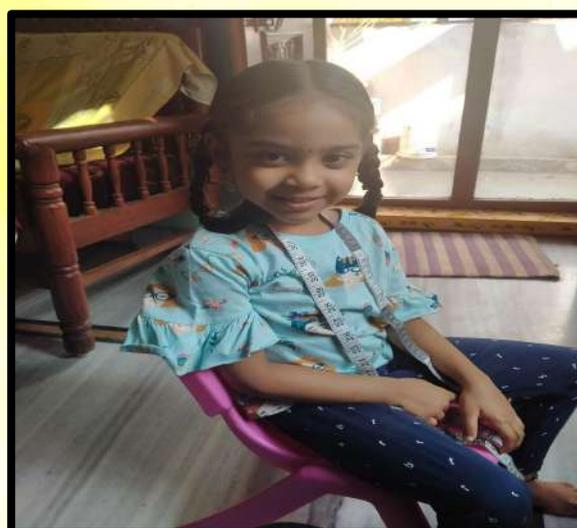
I delivery things at your doorstep and make your life easy peasy



Blessed to be a doctor



I am proud to be a teacher



I am a tailor and I stich beautiful clothes



I grow and sell crops



I am a security guard. Your safety is my responsibility.



Jai Jawan Jai Kisaan



Balancing exercises in PE period



Belly buddy activity



Look I made a shaker for my music period

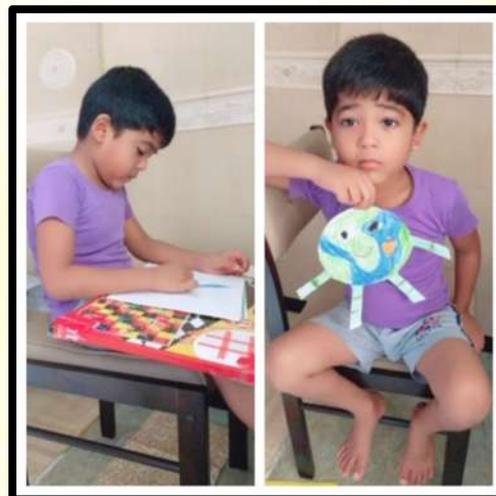
Save our Planet-IEYC III



I had great fun while doing the Fantastic Earth activity



I love my planet



I promise to take care of my earth



Clean Earth, Green Earth is my motto



I'm a warrior! Earth warrior!



My fantastic Earth is simply fantastic



My fantastic super happy Earth



Learning through an activity is a fun way of learning



I promise to keep the Earth clean and green



I love art and craft activities



No wonder Earth is called a blue planet

Our world as we see it - IEYC III



My cute little happy, smiley Earth



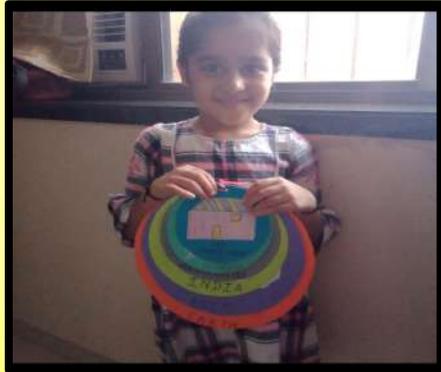
The more that you read, the more things you will know



Not all heroes wear capes - hats off all Community Helpers



Look around there's a world of beauty



Flip book activity was super fun



I enjoyed doing the flip book activity



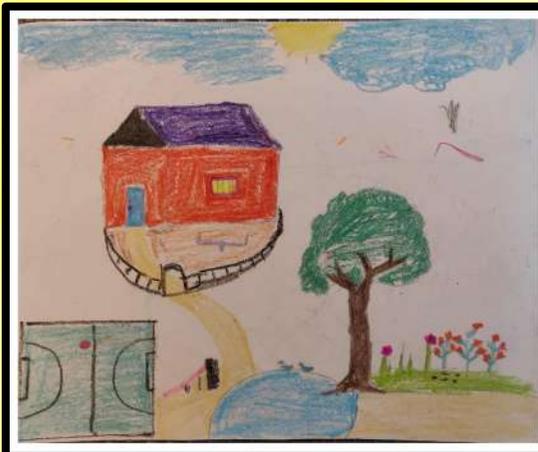
Now I know where I live



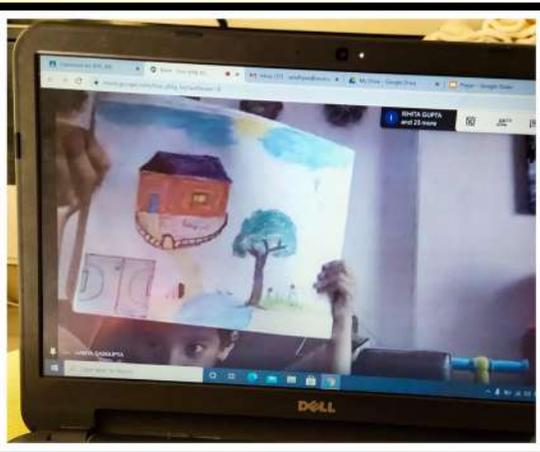
I love to flip through my flip book



I am excited to know more about the new unit



My beautiful home



My beautiful world



We love music sessions



The world I live in



That's my home



Wow! See that's my Windmill



The world I live in

Career Counselling Initiatives

In order to address the changing trends in the education system and the ambiguity of Future age Career scopes the school hosted a webinar on 10th October 2020 .

Ms. Kanchi Khanna, Sr Director Admissions Manager, Plaksha University

Mr Vikram Patel ,Assistant Director at KREA University,

Ms Priya Sunil,Assistant Director, Ashoka University

Ms. Neha Modi, Assistant Manager - FLAME University

The session addressed the role of Liberal Education, the required skillsets ,eligibility requirements and trending career pathways.

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Flame University

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We continue to bring webinars & webi-fairs from various Universities and organizations to ensure that students use the lockdown times wisely and prepare for admissions even in these unprecedented times.

13 September, 2020

One-Click Prep -STEM Webinar on SAT and ACT

14 September, 2020- CIALFO -**Webifair with US Universities discussing Asian Perspectives**

18 September, 2020-Ashoka University - **Webinar on Interdisciplinary Sciences**

25 September, 2020-UA GLOBAL OPERATIONS,UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA -**Webifair with The University of Kansas, The University of Arizona and University of California, Irvine**

26 September, 2020-Unni Assit brought in **Expert Insights on How a Student Can Secure Scholarships and Financial Aid after Class 12'** -ni **Expert Insights on How a Student Can Secure Scholarships and Financial Aid after Class 12'**

30 September, 2020-IC3 - **WebiFair-Virtual Fair & Symposium**

8 October, 2020- CIALFO - **Webinar on Organizing Impactful Virtual Visits to Your Campus.**

15 October, 2020-UniVariety - '**Career Accelerator Program'** (U-CAP)

16 October, 2020-College Board - "**Big Future for Career and College Planning**"

18 October,2020-Plaksha University -"**Creating a World of Creators**" by **Mr. Sonam Wangchuk**, an innovator & education reformist

Internship Programmes-"**6 Careers of the Future for High School Students to Intern in**"-an exclusive online 15-Day Internships, where High Schoolers (Grades 9-12) get an opportunity to systematically Experience a Career, under the guidance and mentorship of top Industry Professionals from across the world, and at the same time hone 21st Century Skills for the 21st Century Workplace!This is a month long internship opportunity.

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The session began with introducing students of **IBDP Year II** to a story of an aged carpenter, who was about to retire, when his employer requested him to build one more house as a personal favour. Although the carpenter built it, he took no interest in his work, did a shoddy job and used inferior materials; When he completed the job, his employer came to inspect it, and he handed over the key to the front door to the carpenter and said ‘ This is for you; my gift to you!’ Ofcourse, this shocked the carpenter because had he known he was building this for himself, he would have done a better job. So it is with us. We build our lives, a day at a time, often putting less than our best into the building. Then with a shock we realize we have to live in the house we have built. If we could do it over, we would do it much differently. But we cannot go back. You are the carpenter. Each day you hammer a nail, place a board or erect a wall. "Life is a do-it-yourself project" someone has said. Your attitudes and the choices you make today, build the "house" you live in tomorrow. Build it wisely!!



Through this story the students were guided with 4 essential materials in building their tomorrow.

D – DECISION MAKING – decision making is one of the executive functions of the brain. 9 steps in the Decision Making Wheel was shared with the students. Decisions taken without information is called gambling.

A – ACCOUNTABILITY AND RESPONSIBILITY – Responsibility is the ability to respond to a situation; it is an ongoing duty to complete the task at hand. While, Accountability is what happens after the situation occurs. Accept responsibility for your actions; Be Accountable for its results; Take Ownership of your mistakes. Different areas of responsibility were discussed: towards Parents/Family/Siblings; School/teachers/classmates; society/community/neighbourhood; nation; environment; Self (you are responsible for your thoughts, words and actions) – future, budget, health, etc.

T – TIME MANAGEMENT – This is nothing but what you should be doing and when. It is in our nature to prioritise urgent tasks; when we know a deadline is looming, our reactive brain kicks. It is however important to differentiate between Urgent and Important tasks. Three tips shared for effective time management: 1) Organisation (a great time saver!) – have a clutterfree desk; keep all material in one place before you begin your task; this will lessen the time wasted in hunting for stuff!); 2) Find out your productive time zone; 3) Create a time-budget. Also advised that they identify what tasks are ‘time wasters’ and aim to reduce time on them.

E – EMOTIONAL WELLNESS – September is Suicide Prevention Month; encouraged the students to focus on their emotional health **H**- be Honest to oneself; **E**- boost self-Esteem; **A** – Accept people and self for who they are; **L** – increase Love and Laughter in their lives; **T** – Talk about your feelings; **H** – seek Help without Hesitation.

The students were very interactive and participated very well in the session. 15 students attended the session; 3 submitted their feedback at the end of the session. The students expressed eagerness to return to school although knowing the restrictions and constraints in the current climate.

Counselling Initiatives

"Teachers are often the first to notice that a child might have a learning disorder. Sometimes the signs are easy to spot - glaring spelling errors, for example - or a child who despite obvious effort is struggling with basic math computations. But sometimes, the signs are not so obvious; i.e. there might be behavioural issues like inattention, frustration, clumsiness or organisational lag. Lakshmi Vivishnavel, Special Educator of the Counselling Centre, conducted an informative session '**To See or Not to Sea**' with the teachers of Chpt upwards wherein teachers were taken through the areas of learning disability; how this manifests in a child's academics and behaviour. Teachers were asked to look for red flags in assignments handed by the students and during the student's class participation. At the end of the workshop, the teachers were better equipped to identify Learning issues with the aim of early identification leading to early intervention."



There is no greater disability in society, than the inability to see a person as more.