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E-Newsletter for December, 2022

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear All,

It is the most wonderful time of the year! We are concluding the exciting year of 2022 and welcoming a new year. What better way to end the year than bringing families together to celebrate the community we share. South City International School hosted Annual Day on 15th and 16th December. It was a successful event and was well appreciated by the audience, guests, dignitaries, and judges.

Our school's mission statement proclaims the leading principle of how the school intends to move effectively forward.

The School commits itself to creating a harmonious and stimulating environment in which each pupil will be encouraged to develop to the maximum of his or her



intellectual ability and academic performance, creative energy, enterprising spirit, physical skills, notions of justice, equity and public morality affiliation to his or her cultural roots and heritage, open-mindedness, international and multi-cultural perspective and a spirit of empathy for the less fortunate, with readiness to work constructively for social good.

We intend our children to inculcate the goals set out in the mission statement and strive to realize them in full measure.

We try to meet the requirement of each student in intellectual, physical, social, cultural and aesthetic areas. Our students dare to determine their future and decide their destiny. Efforts here in school are constantly made to promote a holistic development of our children, encouraging them at all times to participate in both curricular and co-curricular activities which has now come into force in the new NEP 2020.

Our children learn to love challenges, be enterprising, adventurous, and creative, driven by the inner urge to excel in whatever they do. I am confident that in future they will develop a global, liberalized mind set and passionately engage in socially relevant issues like gender equality, public morality, equity and justice, issues of anti-racism, multiculturalism, and the environment. They will shape our society and our culture for tomorrow.

As the year comes to a close, I would like to take this opportunity to declare that we are reintroducing our IGCSE for our senior students.

Wishing you all the best for the new year! Stay blessed!

With warm regards, John Andrew Bagul Founding Principal

All India Anglo Indian Association Carol Singing Competition

Date- 3rd December

Hosted by The Frank Anthony School

Total number of participating schools-22

SCIS secured the 2nd Position (Group Category)



Stuart Munro Inter School Carol Singing Competition

Date- 9th December

Hosted by St Thomas Day School

Number of participating schools- 12

SCIS secured the 1st Position.



Session by Mr Ankur Chhabra

Date- 9th December

Conducted by Mr. Ankur Chhabra, HOD of IMS Design and Innovation Academy Noida.

The students of classes XI & XII attended the session.

Learning Objective- To make the students more conscious about the various prospects of designing.

Learning outcome- Students understood the meaning of product design and other products.

SDG-4 (Quality Education)





History Field Trip to Alipore Jail Museum

Report by Suchismita Majumdar, XII-A

The freedom we Indians are enjoying today, is only because of the fighters who had fought till their last breath, with courage and love towards their motherland and finally winning against the torturous British rule of almost 200 years. We have seen how freedom fighters from all over India fought against oppression of the Britishers. They fought for the future generation; they gave away their lives so that we could have one, and live a better one.

Alipore Central Jail, established in the year 1906, was the place where many freedom fighters, political prisoners were imprisoned for voicing against the British Rule. They were imprisoned, tortured heinously, were hanged to death, and were made to live in such conditions which is beyond a normal human being's capability. But they weren't normal human beings, they were Our Indian Heroes. They were the ones who jumped into the fire knowing what was in their way and chose the path of darkness knowing the consequences. They left their family and all their worldly desires with just one dream, that is freedom. To sacrifice is difficult. It takes a lot of strength and belief. The Alipore Jail Museum was an eye-opening experience for me showing just how much the freedom

fighters had to struggle to bring India to the forefront of independence. The reason we

can enjoy our lifestyle of freedom and privilege today is only because of the sacrifice of those who came before us.

On the 9th of December, we the History students of class XII-A visited the Alipore Jail Museum and gained a lot of information and insights of the past. It was truly a great experience. As we ventured through the gates of the Alipore jail museum a certain sense of solemn patriotism set in. With exploring even more, we got to know about more freedom fighters than our history books could ever elucidate.



We firstly visited the gallows, where the prisoners were hanged and the condemnation room beside it where the prisoners were kept one day before they were supposed to be hanged to death. We were in awe when we stepped into the post-mortem room, where the hanged martyrs were examined. It gave us goosebumps. Our history teachers, Ms. Susmita Basu and Mr. Hayshan Rahman elaborately told us the history behind its walls and many stories untold. We were thrilled to know so much. We also visited the watch tower and stepped into the old jail Church for the British officials. It looked majestic, but did not lighten the pain we felt after visiting the jail rooms and gallows. Next, we went to the audio-visual room where we witnessed a beautifully created video on the various case histories of the freedom fighters who were once imprisoned in this very jail. This was enlightening and amazing to watch. We also entered the section where the building was turned into rooms full of information on the various freedom fighters, paintings, etc. There was a section for women freedom fighters, where photos and information of these women who fought bravely for the country were kept in display, a section for the Santhal Revolution, Bengal renaissance and many more. To make the experience more lively, various 3D structures of the freedom fighters, the weapons and the other prisoners were made. We also got to see the weaving machines where the prisoners were made to weave clothes as labours. Each preserved corner had a story to tell and we were thrilled to listen to each of its backstory from our teachers. All in all, it was truly and amazing and enlightening experience. We learnt a lot and got to know every detail of several topics we have learned in our history books throughout the year for our academics.

On leaving the museum we felt that it was only because of these heroes that we Indians are being able to live our life peacefully. They bore all the pain and gave out their lives happily only for the sake of Independence for this country. The Alipore Jail is a place from where we see the journey of those freedom fighters who sacrificed a lot for our and our country's peace and well-being.

The museum is very beautifully renovated and it shows the truth and sacrifice of our freedom fighters and the struggle they went through to give us the lives we enjoy today. As the years have passed by and it has been 75 years since the end of the fight for independence now India is one of the leading nations with a booming economy larger than its former coloniser Britain.

We the students of class XII-A would like to deeply thank our teachers and especially our Principal who gave us this amazing opportunity, and has always promoted such field trips and outdoor learning experiences!

Voices of Students:

"As we explored the wide, historic, iconic premises we were reminded of the great heroes that were once tormented on the same land. Our path led to the terrifying gallows, as our teachers narrated to us the tales of horror that took place, a feeling of ghastly horror made its way down our spines," said Sunrit Hazra.

"As the years fade our memories of this glorious struggle that our people led, museums such as these remind us of the great revolutionaries who had sacrificed their lives for

our future it urges us to be humble and respect the independence we enjoy today. It is very good and as a history student and keen interest in Indian history I recommend everyone visiting this once at least if not more, to enjoy our history and gain knowledge about our Heroes", said Anuraag B. Choudhury.

"It was absolutely incredible to see in actuality the location of such historical events. Tinged with a sense of deep patriotism and also a fervour for revolution, I am grateful for



"We visited the jail cells of Subhash Chandra Bose, Chittaranjan Das among many more. The fact that they slept on cement beds shocked me. The names of all the martyrs were engraved amidst the walls of the Museum to honour them. Patriotic songs played amidst this truly deep setting. It really puts into perspective our own lives and how much we take for granted", said Rishav Mitra.

"For a moment I felt it was Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose himself and not a museum South Carry Paramilla and Para

after seeing a huge holographic portrait of him. It was simply great. We even saw a statue of Indira Gandhi, who used to come to visit her father Jawaharlal Nehru when he was in prison. Her statue has been created exactly in that place where she used to sit and interact with her father as she could not go near the prison to meet him due to the rules

imposed by the British Officials. Our teachers, narrated each and every event which took place which sent chills down our spine", said Aindrila Ghoshal.

"The museum is dedicated to all the freedom fighters who have laid down their lives to secure the country's freedom from the British rule, the experience was one of a kind and I deeply enjoyed the trip. I got to learn a lot of things, probably even more than what books have ever taught me", Ananya Jain.

"Another great highlight of the museum that I would like to mention is the women freedom fighters' enclave and exhibition, our women of steel were and are remarkable, we salute the mothers, daughters and sisters of this great nation that have hearts of gold and minds of diamonds", Sulagna Das.

"I had a wonderful time at the Alipore Jail Museum. The best thing about the museum is that everything was preserved the way since its time of establishment in 1906. Another highlight was that the names of various young and brave prisoners, were engraved on the wall. It really gives us the chills", Suchismita Majumdar.



International Day for the Abolition of Slavery

Date- 2nd December

Assembly presented by Class IX-C

Learning Objective- To make students aware about the abolition of slavery.

Learning Outcome- Students are now aware about the importance of abolition of slavery.









Special Assembly on Christmas

Date- 9th December

Assembly presented by Achiever House

Learning Objective- To instil the values of Christmas and make students aware about the incidents related to the birth of Jesus Christ.

Learning Outcome- Students are now aware about the festivities associated with Christmas.

SDG-4 (Quality Education)















International Anti-Corruption Day

Date- 12th December

Assembly presented by class IX-D

Class IXD presented the secondary assembly on Monday 12th of December 2022, on the topic International Anti-Corruption Day. The students prepared a Skit showing how chemists have been overcharging for medicine during the time of a pandemic. Very briefly and understandably, students explained about the topic.

Learning Objective- To know about the illeffects of corruption.

Learning Outcome- Students are now aware of the various effects of corruption and the ways to fight against it.

SDG-16 (Peace, Justice & Strong Institutions)





Annual Day- Dress Rehearsal

Date- 14th December

All Annual Day Participants had a run through in the auditorium.





THE ANNUAL DAY CELEBRATION OF SCIS-2022-2023

The Greatest Showman - A Classic musical extravaganza.

"Flowers always make people better, happier, and more helpful, they are sunshine, food and medicine for the soul."

Annual Day of South City International School is a muchawaited event for all students, teachers, parents, and stakeholders. This year it was hosted on 15th and 16th December, 2022 in which students from classes III to XI participated with zeal and enthusiasm. On Day 1 students from Sections A and B presented the dance numbers and the songs while Day 2 witnessed children from Section C and D do the same. The main characters in the Musical were the same on both days.



On 15th December, Ms. Ekavali Khanna, eminent film actor, came as the Chief Guest while Mr. Satyajit Sarkar, Senior Manager-India East, Bangladesh, and Nepal Cambridge Assessment International Education attended the event as the Guest of Honour. Other Special Guests who graced the occasion were Ms. Hilda Peacock, Ms. Debjani Banerjee, Dr. Anuradha Das and Mr. Suman Sood.







Liberal display of flower arrangement on the threshold of the stage and green potted plants were the first impression the audience formed the moment they entered the auditorium of SCIS on both the days.

The clock struck 11.00 a.m. and the programme began with Ms. Elvina Sullivan and Mr. Edwin Lawrence, the two young, smart, articulately excellent anchors.

On Day 2 our Principal, Mr. John Andrew Bagul stepped into the auditorium escorting our Chief Guest, Mr. Nick Low, the British Deputy High Commissioner to Kolkata; the Guests of Honour Mr. Sharat Chandran, Director, Kerala Public School, Jamshedpur



accompanied by his spouse Mrs. Chandran, and the eminent author and educationist, Ms. Anita Arathoon and our Director Mr. Ravi Todi.

The National Cadet Corps (NCC) smartly and confidently marched and ushered the dignitaries in the auditorium. The auditorium was ready to begin the programme.

What words cannot express, music can. Truly.

On both days the first/ opening programme of the day was the tabla recital.

The spirit of the day was imbibed into everyone in the auditorium by the Tabla recital 'Tal Tarang' – an assimilation of table, flute and santoor. Mr. Arindam Burman, the teacher –par-excellence – conducted his hordes of young students, almost sixty of them together playing the table, flute and santoor in the most perfect rhythmic manner. Arindam Sir chanted the different strokes, spoken syllables (bols) in a case of onomatopoeia. The audience was enthralled beyond words particularly the presentation of 'Sawal Jabab' recital.



This was accentuated by 'Shiva Tandav' by young dancers in colourful yellow and orange saree and Rudraksha beads necklaces. The sound of 'Domrus' resonated with the rhythmic dance.

Our Primary Head. Ms. Anjali Burman, then introduced to the packed auditorium all the dignitaries by a deafening round of applause from the audience, followed by felicitation of the dignitaries and lamp lighting by them.



The Award ceremony was the next important event in the agenda. Our Primary Head, Ms. Anjali Burman announced the names of awardees of Primary Section followed by our Secondary Section, announced by our Dean of Academics, Ms. Rupika Nath. These students have bagged ranks in various activities related to academics and sports.

Teachers were also felicitated for their excellent contribution in various fields of academics—like Ms. Mahuya Chakraborty, Ritwik Kar, Micheal Dutta, Rishin Mallik and Ms. Rebecca.

Our Principal, Mr. John Andrew Bagul, was then invited on stage to address the gathering. He began with the motto of our school, in Sanskrit "Sa vidya ya vimuktaya".....

He emphasized on our Vision and Mission statements; National Education Policy; proudly announced the excellent ICSE and ISC results.

He profusely thanked the parents for their constant support and cooperation and collaborating teamwork of teachers and parents.

He said, "We feel privileged, honoured and humbled".



The distinguished guests showed their gratitude, how highly honoured and privileged they felt to be the honoured guests of the Annual Day Function. They praised the dynamic Principal Mr. Bagul for his contribution to the betterment of society.

Then the much-awaited programme started with a 'BANG' ---- a musical journey of cultural extravaganza 'The Greatest Showman' –It is a 2017 American biographical musical drama. The entire show was mesmerizing—riots of colour, trapeze dancers, clowns, songs (sung by the school choir) and everything else the circus offers. It was a dazzling spectacle of life and drama.

From the primary section students to the secondary, the main actors and actresses did a wonderful job. It seemed they were born actors. To name few excellent actors Arjya Sarkar, as P.T.Barnum; Ritwik Mitra as Charity Barnum; Ritwik Negi as Phillip;

Sayesha Mukherjee as Jenny Lind ;Kushan Roy, Rahini Ganguli, Yuthika Mehrotra to name a few.

The Director and scriptwriter, Ms. Sharmistha Bose, ably guided by the Head of the Performing Art Department, Ms. Mahua Chakraborty were praised for their perfection of professional direction. Even after the show was over it seemed to continue, such was its effect. The songs sung by the choir were superb. Everything left an indelible mark in the minds of the audience.



Primary Head, Ms. Anjali Burman, delivered the Vote of Thanks.

On day 2, Felicitation of our Principal for receiving the Henry Louis Vivian Derozio Award was befittingly done. The auditorium seemed to burst with applause from parents, students and everyone present there. Mr. Nick Low felicitated him with a bouquet.



Mr. Bagul then felicitated the Performing Art department for their dedication, hard work and loyalty to a cause that carries forth the prestige of the school forward.

Last but not the least, the School Band 'Bohemian' entertained the audience with music and song.

The greatest show came to an end. All were requested to rise for the National Anthem. But the show must go on and on and on.........









Wizklub International HOTS Olympiad

Date- 17th December

Conducted through online portal

Classes- VI-VIII

Total number of participants-84

Learning Objective- To recognise the bright minds across the world.

Learning Outcome- The Olympiad tested the intelligence of the students and sharpened their skills.

SDG-4 (Quality Education)



Shining Stars!

10th National Athletics Championship for Autism

Date- 27th & 28th December

Organised by Indian Sports Federation of Autism & Indian Sports Federation of Cerebral Palsy.

Venue- Pataliputra Sports Complex, Patna, Bihar

Kinjal Roy of class XI-E secured the 2nd Position and won a silver medal in 'Shot Put'.

SDG-10 (Reduced Inequality)







Mrigaj Shaw (XIB) -2nd Position in Innowiz Science Quiz



Hrishita Dev (XIB) receiving the Certificate from Principal Mr. John Bagul for being adjudged as the Best Speaker in Innowiz Science Debate



Sounav Burman (VIIIA) on his exceptional talent in Table Tennis



FOUNDATIONAL YEARS ACTIVITY DETAILS

- LOWER NURSERY
- UPPER NURSERY
- KINDERGARTEN
- CLASSES I & II

TOPIC: BIRDS
DATE: 2.12.2022
VENUE: CLASSROOMS AND CORRIDOR

Learning Objective:

- Students will learn about birds through flipcharts, flash cards and real-life videos of birds.
- They will also learn about the special adaptations of these creatures and are made aware of birds and ways to take care of their habitat.

Learning Outcome:

- The activity helped students to enhance their vocabulary and know about different creatures.
- Students learnt to take care of birds.
- They learnt about the nature, ecology and how to take care of the environment.



Sustainable Development Goal No. 15- LIFE ON LAND









TOPIC: WORLD SOIL DAY DATE: 5.12.2022 VENUE: CLASSROOMS AND CORRIDOR

Learning Objective:

- To teach students about conversation of soil.
- To ensure that they learn that soil puts food on our plates, purifies our water and protects us against flooding and draught.

Learning Outcome:

- Students were taken to the garden and were taught how to prepare soil. They felt the mud with their hands. It enhances the tactile sense.
- They learnt that healthy soils are essential for healthy plant growth, human nutrition, and water filtration.



Sustainable Development Goal No. 3 – GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING







TOPIC: INTERNATIONAL MOUNTAIN DAY DATE: 12.12.2022 VENUE: CLASSROOMS

Learning Objective:

- To create awareness about the importance of mountains.
- To teach them the difference between hills and mountains.
- To teach them how to conserve nature and save the planet.

Learning Outcome:

- Students learnt that mountains are the world's "water towers," providing 60-80% of all freshwater resources for our planet.
- At least half of the world's population depends on mountain ecosystem services to survive – not only water but also food and clean energy.
- They did an activity on volcano.

Sustainable Development Goal No. 13-CLIMATE ACTION







TOPIC: BAGLESS DAY THEME: GOOD CHEER DATE: 14th DECEMBER, 2022 CLASSES: LOWER NURSERY - V VENUE: CLASSROOMS AND PLAYING AREA

Learning Objective:

- The main objective behind Bagless Day is the physical, mental and intellectual development of the child and to create a stress-free environment.
- On the occasion of Christmas, the school, children will learn a life skill and will see a short skit on Nativity.

Learning Outcome:

- The children found the day interesting and stress free. They played in the park and saw a short skit on Nativity.
- They made chocolate balls and decorated biscuits.
- The curriculum was structured keeping in mind the interests & abilities of students which emphasizes on their all-round development cognitive, physical, social, emotional & sensorial.

Sustainable Development Goal No. 4-QUALITY EDUCATION 5- GENDER EQUALITY













TOPIC: CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION DATE: 16.12.2022 VENUE: CLASSROOMS

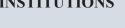
Learning Objective:

- Christmas is celebrated to remember the birth of Jesus Christ.
- Students will dress up in shades of red, white, and green.
- They will get a slice of cake and will decorate the Christmas tree.

Learning Outcome:

- Students learnt that Christmas is a great time be thankful to God for everything.
- They did a craft and relished the slice of cake.
- They learnt few rhymes on Christmas.

Sustainable Development Goal No. 10- REDUCED INEQUALITIES 16-PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS









TOPIC: CHRISTMAS CRAFT DATE: 5th to 13th DECEMBER, 2022 CLASSES: I & II VENUE: CLASSROOMS

Head gears of stars and reindeers, Finger puppets, Popsicle Christmas trees, Wall hangings of Snow man, Santa mask with cotton balls and Nativity Play.

Learning Objective:

To imbibe in students the spirit of Christmas and all the different symbols associated with the celebration of Christmas.

Learning Outcome:

Students learn to relate the festival as a global celebration as it is celebrated all over the world.









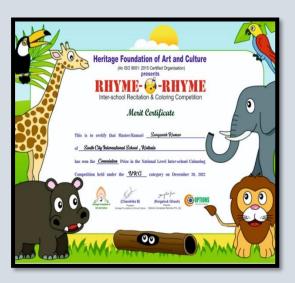


HERITAGE FOUNDATION OF ART & CULTURE ONLINE COMPETITION HELD IN NOVEMBER, 2022 RANKING AND CERTIFICATES

Certificates received by our students in the 4th edition of 'Rhyme O Rhyme' a National Level Inter-School rhyme / poem recitation and colouring competition: -

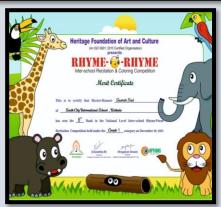
- Anya Singh Chaudhury of Lower Nursery secured the 12th rank in colouring competition.
- Aaryav Basu of Upper Nursery secured the 11th rank in recitation competition.
- Suryansh Kumar of Kindergarten received consolation prize in colouring competition.
- Saarah Seal of Class I secured the 8th rank in recitation competition.
- Suyash Jain of Class I secured the 19th rank in recitation competition.

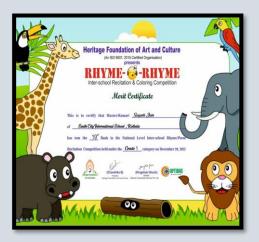












PREPARATORY ACTIVITY DETAILS CLASSES III, IV & V

LOGIQIDS MENTAL APTITUDE OLYMPIAD

DATE: 2nd DECEMBER, 2022

CLASSES: KINDERGARTEN - V

TIME: 8:15 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

VENUE: CLASSROOMS (for Kindergarten, classes I & II) CAFETERIA

(for classes III, IV & V)

On 2nd December, 2022 Logiqids Mental Aptitude Olympiad 2022-2023 was held from Kindergarten to Class V.

Total no. of students registered - 228 Total no. of students appeared - 189

Total absentees - 39

• For Kindergarten the exam was held in two time slots: -

Morning Batch (Sections A & B): 8:30 – 9: 30 a.m. Afternoon Batch (Sections C & D): 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.



- For Classes I V the exam was held from 8:15 9:15 a.m.
- Invigilators:

For Kindergarten – Sejal ma'am, Moushme ma'am, Sutrishna ma'am & Urmimala ma'am Class I – Amrita ma'am & Amanda ma'am.

Class II – Elvina ma'am & Joanna ma'am.

Classes III, IV & V – Sumita Sinha ma'am, Sawandipa ma'am, Shoma ma'am & Sharmistha Gupta ma'am.





IDS EXCHANGE PROGRAMME SCHOOL- TRAN QUOC TOAN PRIMARY SCHOOL, VIETNAM

DATE: 6th DECEMBER, 2022 TIME: 8:30 A.M.

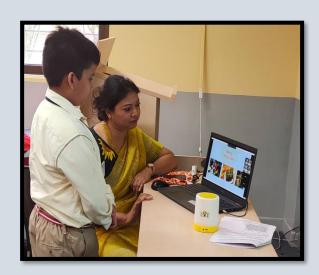
VENUE: AV ROOM

CLASS: IV (TOTAL NO. OF STUDENTS – APPROXIMATELY 25)

Topic of Exchange – Colours of Festivals

• Learning Objective:

• Learning about different people and their holiday celebrations in a positive environment can help students learn to celebrate diversity. This positive attitude of celebrating diversity leads to cultural sensitivity and a more global awareness of humanity.



• Learning Outcome:

- These exchange programmes are an effective way to build bridges of understanding among students from different countries.
- They learn to appreciate each other's culture and diverse lifestyles. These exchange programs are a milestone in our personal and professional journey of knowing each other's country and people.





CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION DATE: 9th DECEMBER, 2022

CLASSES: I - V

TIME: 8:15 A.M. – 9:15 A.M.

VENUE: CLASSROOMS, CORRIDORS, PLAYING AREA

Christmas was celebrated before the winter vacations. Several activities such as decorating Christmas tree, making cards and various Christmas ornaments were done by the students. The students of Classes I & II got to know about the birth of Lord Jesus and the legend of Santa Claus through a special event organized at the playing area. A special assembly was conducted in the school auditorium, programs related to the birth of Jesus Christ were shown by Achiever House Secondary students. The essence of Christmas came alive when teachers dressed as Santa Claus went to meet and greet the students in their classes. The boundless joy of celebrating the festival was amply visible on the faces of the children especially when Santa moved around distributing sweets to them.

















ACHIEVER HOUSE ASSEMBLY

TOPIC: WORLD SOIL DAY DATE: 5th DECEMBER,2022 VENUE: SCHOOL GROUND

• Learning Objective:

• To spread awareness about soil preservation and highlight healthy practices.

• Learning Outcome:

- Students will become aware of the degradation of soil throughout the world and its consequences.
- Encourage students and audience to inculcate healthy practices and to lessen pollution.

• Sustainable Development Goal No.









CLASS III A TOPIC: ARMED FORCES FLAG DAY DATE: 7th DECEMBER,2022 VENUE: BASKET BALL COURT

- Learning Objective:
- To commemorate the soldiers who laid down their lives for the country and financially assist their families.
- Learning Outcome:
- Students are aware of the contributions of Indian soldiers as well as the veterans.
- They are also sensitized about the duty of civilians towards the brave hearts of the nation.
- Sustainable Development Goal No.





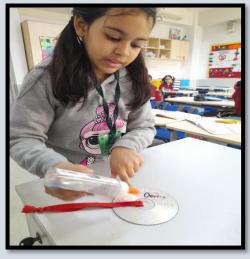
QUALITY EDUCATION



SUPW CRAFT DATE: 9th DECEMBER,2022 CLASSES: III VENUE: CLASSROOMS

- Learning Objective:
- Students will be able to describe how Christmas ornaments have evolved over time.
- Design an ornament using unwanted waste material.
- Learning Outcome:
- Students can creatively design the Christmas ornaments.
- Group activity helps to develop spirit of team work.
- Sustainable Development Goal No.







NEXT LEARNING ORIENTATION PROGRAM CLASSES: KINDERGARTEN - V

DATE: 9th & 10th DECEMBER, 2022

Date: 9.12.2022

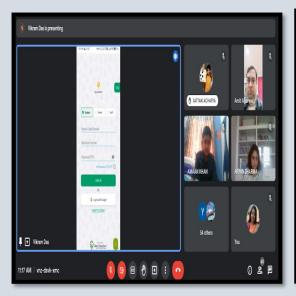
KG, Time: 4:00-5:00 P.M. Class I, Time: 5:00-6:00 P.M.

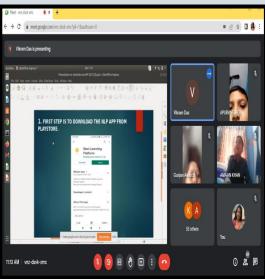
Date: 10.12.2022

Class II, Time: 9:00-10:00 A.M. Class III, Time: 10:00-11:00 A.M. Class IV, Time: 11:00-12:00 Noon Class V, Time: 12:00-1:00 P.M.

The two-day online orientation program was organized on 9th and 10th December, 2022 for parents.

The workshop session included brief introduction about the Next Learning Program (NEP) for Kindergarten to Class V parents.





ANNUAL DAY DATE: 15th & 16th DECEMBER,2022

CLASSES: III - XI (Excluding Class X & XII)

VENUE: AUDITORIUM

- Sections A and B from Classes III IX presented 'The Greatest Showman' on the 15th of December and Sections C and D on the 16th of December, 2022 respectively.
- Chief Guest for 15th December was Ms. Ekavali Khanna an eminent film actor was the Chief Guest and Mr.Satyajit Sarkar, Senior Manager, India East, Bangladesh and Nepal Cambridge Assessment International Education was the Guests & for 16th was Mr. Nick Low, the British Deputy High Commissioner to Kolkata was the Chief Guest and Mr. Sharat Chandran, Director, Kerala Public School, Jamshedpur & Ms. Aniita Arathoon, an eminent author and educationist were the Guest of Honour along with our Director Mr. Ravi Todi.
- The first programme of the evening was the tabla recital. The spirit of the day was imbibed into everyone in the auditorium by the Tabla recital 'Tal Tarang'. Almost sixty of them together played the table, flute and santoor in the most perfect rhythmic manner. This was accentuated by 'Shiva Nritya' by young dancers in colourful yellow and orange saree and Rudraksha beads necklace.
- The Award ceremony was the next important event in the agenda. Our Primary Head,
 Ms. Anjali Burman announced the names of awardees of Primary Section followed by
 our Secondary Section, announced by our Dean of Academics, Ms. Rupika Nath. These
 students have bagged ranks in various activities related to academics and sports.
 Teachers were also felicitated for their excellent contribution in various fields of
 academics.
- Our Principal, Mr. John Andrew Bagul, was then invited on stage to address the gathering. He emphasized on our Vision and Mission statements; National Education Policy; proudly announced the excellent ICSE and ISC results
- The musical on both days was a grand success. Our Principal, Mr. John Andrew Bagul, felicitated the Performing Art department for their dedication and hard work.







DECATHLON WORKSHOP

DATE: 2nd DECEMBER, 2022 TIME: 3:00 to 5:00 P.M.

VENUE: DECATHLON (SHAKESPEARE SARANI)
RESOURCE PERSON - MR SAIKAT DAS (FITNESS INSTRUCTOR)
ATTENDED BY: MS. IPSITA MUKHERJEE, MS. DEYASHINI PAUL,
MS. ARUN AGARWAL, MS. JYOTI GUPTA, MS. JOLLY MUKHERJEE
AND MS. AMANPREET MANCHANDA

Points discussed:

- The session began with warm up session followed by questions and answers.
- Some simple yoga asanas for regular fitness regime were also discussed.
- Being physically active can improve your brain health, help manage weight, reduce the risk of disease, strengthen bones and muscles, and improve your ability to do everyday activities.





WORKSHOP ON 'FOCUSING ON WELLNESS AND MENTAL HEALTH OF TEACHERS'

DATE: 14th DECEMBER, 2022 TIME: 9:30 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

VENUE: TEACHERS' CENTRE JODHPUR PARK
RESOURCE PERSON- DR. MADHURIMA VIDYARTHI
(ENDOCRINOLOGIST)

ATTENDED BY: MS. SUMERA KHAN, MR. KRISHANU MONDOL, MS. NISHA GUPTA & MS. SHOMA GUHA ROY

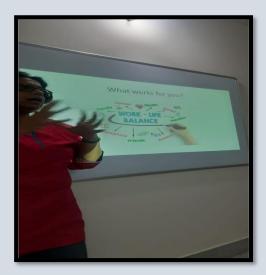
Points discussed:

- · How to recognize health issues teachers face and how to deal with them.
- · Stress and how to distress
- · Work-life balance for teachers and the common problems they face and she discussed the possible solutions and coping strategies.

• Outcome:

Developing a proper work-life balance by taking care of ourself because a healthy teacher makes a productive happy teacher. Keeping ourself healthy we can work at the best of our ability and can give our 100% effort. In order to keep work-life balance we can set goals and priorities, set boundaries and work hours and make time for ourself and our loved ones.





Notes from Junior Library

Christmas around the World



At Christmas, Christians all over the world celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ. Traditional Christmas decoration are admired and festive celebrations can be joined in most countries, even in many of the countries where Christianity is not the religion of the majority of people. Christmas is generally celebrated on Christmas Day, 25th of December. Some countries however have slightly different Christmas traditions. Christmas trees are a popular decoration as are tiny sparkling lights in windows and on walls.

FRANCE: In many regions in France, Christmas celebrations start with St Nicholas day on the 6th of December. Then children get sweets and little gifts. On Christmas eve, Children put their polished shoes out in front of the chimney and hope that '*Père Noël*' (Father Christmas) fills the shoes with sweets. Christmas Day, 25th of December is a public holiday and families get together for a big feast. On this day also presents are exchanged.



Christmas Decorations in Strasbourg/France

ITALY: In Italy, a nativity scene, a 'presepe', is usually put up in churches, town squares and often in homes. This is for many the most important part of the Christmas decorations.



Nativity Scene in Italy

The nativity scene displays with a crib filled with straw, originally stems from Italy and is now common occurrence in many countries around the world. In Italy, 'Babbo Natale', that's how Father Christmas is called in Italian, hands out present to children on Christmas Day

GERMANY In the weeks leading up to Christmas, festive Christmas markets are set up on main squares in many cities. Houses are often decorated with fairy lights and festive ornaments in December, however, in Germany the Christmas tree is usually only put up and decorated at the homes in the morning of the 24th of December. Festive Christmas celebrations in Germany begin on the 24th of December, on Christmas Eve.



Christmas Market in Nuremberg/Germany

ENGLAND: In England, most people start with Christmas decorations early. Many families decorate their houses with lots of fairy lights and sparkling displays.



Christmas Decorations in England

Christmas is celebrated on Christmas Day, the 25th of December. 26 December is a bank holiday as well. On Boxing Day, the 26th of December, friends and family are usually visited to exchange gifts.

NORWAY: In Norway, children wait for '*Julenisse*', the Norwegian Santa Claus. On Christmas Eve, the '*Julenisse*', brings presents to the children.



During the month of December, children wait eagerly for '*Jul*', that is how they call Christmas. The Norwegians wish each other God Jul! which means Happy Christmas!

ICELAND: In Iceland, children put their shoes on the windowsill so the '*Juletide Lads*', the Santa Claus, fills the shoes with little goodies.



Christmas celebrations in Iceland start on 24th of December, Christmas eve. Families get together and enjoy good food and many visit midnight mass.

PORTUGAL: The Portuguese celebrate Christmas on 24th of December. Houses are decorated for Christmas and many families put up a nativity scene (presépio), where Baby Jesus is added to the crib after the family attends Midnight mass. Children put out their shoes for Baby Jesus, not Santa, and gifts are exchanged after the family has attended a Christmas service on Christmas eve. In some towns and villages, the community gathers then also around a fire in the church car park that has been lit and wish each other 'Feliz Natal'.

Lisbon Christmas tree 2019

PHILIPPINES: In the Philippines there is a special tradition of having a Christmas lantern, which is called 'paról; the lantern is star-shaped, remembering the star of Bethlehem, and mainly made out of bamboo and paper.





Christmas in the Philippines

\$INGAPORE: In Singapore, about two in ten people are Christians. Christmas, however, is very commercialised in Singapore and Christmas decorations are abundant in the city with masses of tiny fairy light decorations.

Christmas Decorations at Shopping Malls



AUSTRALIA: As Australia is in the southern hemisphere, the festive season is during summer time and thus it is easy to understand that during Christmas time friends and family often gather at the beach.



Christmas on Bondi Beach-Sydney/Australia

BRAZIL: In Brazil, you will often find a 'presepio', a crib or nativity scene, in front of a church. 'Papai Noel, or Father Christmas, travels from Greenland to Brazil to give presents to Brazilian kids.



SOUTH AFRICA:On Christmas Day the family gathers at a 'braai', (BBQ). In South Africa it is summer season in December. There are few natural Christmas trees, but some people put up decorated artificial trees in their homes. There are many festive concerts as well as gifts and arts & crafts markets held during the weeks leading up to Christmas Day



Christmas Tree at the Cape Town-South Africa

U\$A: Christmas is celebrated on 25th December. On Christmas Day, families get together for a festive meal after exchanging gifts.





House decorated in New York Ice-rink at Rockefeller Centre in New York It is customary to send and give Christmas cards. People write on cards: 'Merry Christmas!' or 'Merry Xmas!' Xmas stands for Christmas; the X originates from the Greek letter 'Chi which represents the word 'Christós' or $X\rho \iota \sigma \tau \dot{\sigma} \zeta$ which means Christ in English.