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**E-Newsletter for October, 2022** 

#### FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Not one of us can rest, be happy, be at home, be at peace with ourselves, until we end hatred and divisions.

-John Lewis

Dear All,

United Nations observed International Day of Peace last month, on 21<sup>st</sup> September. Peace is integral to human growth and development. We are witness to global events of unrest and war across the globe especially the Ukraine War. None of us are spared from the repercussions of war. We have seen many students suffer both physically and emotionally due to this merciless war.

Conflict resolution is an important aspect of holistic development of a child. Rule of might is not the way forward. I would like my students to be strong advocates of peace and prepare themselves as global citizens of the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Peace is the only way forward to prepare our children for a VUCA world, a world which is Volatile, Uncertain, Complex and Ambiguous.

I understand that holistic learning goes beyond classroom learning- this being one of the core beliefs of the school, SCIS has actively encouraged the students to organise charity drives, MUNs and help trafficking victims through The Justice Cell.

Students are the future of the world. Being at the helm of affairs, I try to sensitise my students to the grey areas of society and morality. They must imbibe strong values and work with various organisations to reach out to the masses.

SCIS has etched yet another milestone and I am truly excited to share that we have ranked third in South Kolkata, Top Schools, and the 13<sup>th</sup> in West Bengal category by the Times School Survey. We are immensely grateful to everyone for understanding our vision and effort.

Next month Rehearsal Examinations for Classes X and XII are scheduled to begin. My best wishes to all the students who would be appearing for this exam.

With warm regards, John Andrew Bagul Founding Principal



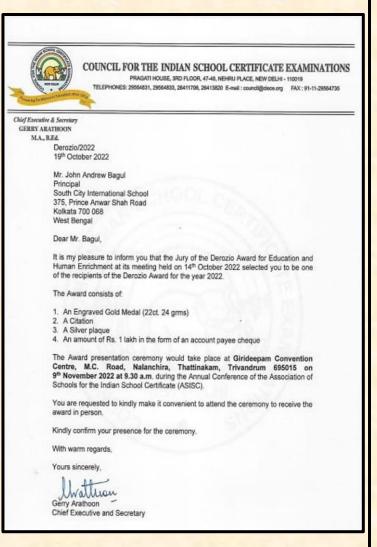
#### Heartiest Congratulations to our Principal, Mr. John Bagul

It is of immense pride to share with you all, our founding principal Mr.John Andrew Bagul, has been chosen for the prestigious 'Derozio Award for Education and Human

Enrichment 2022'. This prestigious honour would be conferred on our Principal on the 9th of November at the annual ASISC conference in Thiruvananthapuram.

Every year the Government of India recognises the meritorious services of extraordinary teachers through the scheme of National Awards. From the year 2000 the Department of Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India has allotted five such awards to teachers of schools affiliated to the Council for the Indian School Certificate Examinations, New Delhi.

The Derozio Awards are awarded for the portrayal of exemplary service to school education and human enrichment. This honours the recipient's work and motivates others to serve the nation in a manner that clearly defines leadership in an identified sphere.



The objective of the Derozio Award is to:

- Identify people who make a difference in their sphere of work.
- Promote a sense of achievement, recognition and support for a cause.
- Recognise the work of people for the greater good of humanity.
- Establish a role for people to contribute to the nation.
- Enable professionals to reach out.
- Generate concern for the social, physical or cultural ecology of the nation.
- Enhance global goodwill and understanding.

Principal being congratulated by the various departments of the School during the Morning Assembly on 21st October.





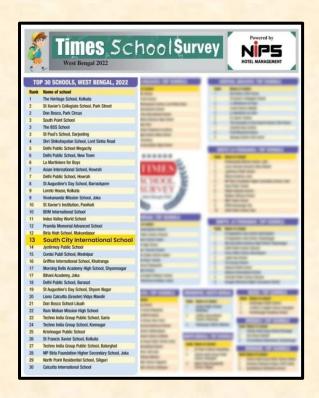


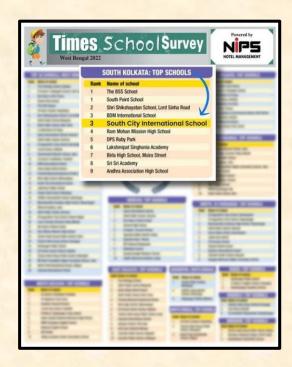


#### Times School Survey

SCIS has etched yet another milestone. South City International School is excited to share that we have been ranked 3rd in the 'South Kolkata, Top Schools' and 13th in the 'Top 30 Schools, West Bengal' category by the Times School Survey, an initiative by The Times of India.

The trust bestowed on us only strengthens our commitment towards providing better education, nourishing young minds and equipping them with skills to face the real world. We are immensely grateful to everyone for understanding our vision and effort.





#### **Voices Online**

A message from our principal, John Bagul, published in Voices Online's e-book to support the United Nation's International Day of Peace.

## **VOICES FROM** AMBASSADORS OF PEACE



## Peace is the only way forward



"Not one of us can rest, be happy, be at home, be at peace with ourselves, until we end hatred and divisions" - John

Peace is integral to human growth and development. We are witness to global events of unrest and war across the globe especially the Ukraine war. None of us are spared from the repercussions of war. We have seen many students suffer both physically and emotionally as their lucrative medical careers. Their parents have suffered financial losses, and have all been affected by the effects of the Ukraine war. War or strife is not the solution to any problem.

We cannot use violence to resolve differences. Dialogue or discussions are always conducive to peaceful negotiations. As the Head of an educational Institution, I think it is my duty to encourage students to handle every situation peacefully.

In the words of Indira Gandhi, "You cannot shake hands with a clenched fist". I do feel that children are excellent observers and they are absorbing the fact that violence is the only way to resolve conflict. This they learn from movies, news and other media. Conflict resolution is an important aspect of holistic development of a child. Every individual should be aware of the 'do's and don'ts' of societal norms.

Peace is an integral aspect of a stable society. Peaceful negotiations and acceptance of differences leads to a progressive society. Rule of might is not the way forward. I would like my school students to be strong advocates of peace and prepare themselves as global peaceful citizens of the 21st century Armed conflict converts children into refugees, prisoners, participants in armed conflicts. These circumstances can severely damage a child's morale as well as the perception of ethics. Survivors of neglect, abuse and exploitation must receive special help to enable recovery and reinterrogation into society. Hence peace is the only way forward to prepare our children for a VUCA world, a world which is Volatile, Uncertain, Complex & Ambiguous.

Jai Hind!



~Mr. John Andrew Bagul, Founding Principal, South City International School, Kolkata. India.

## International General Knowledge Olympiad

Date: 11th October 2022 Time: 10:00-11:15am Venue: Senior Library

Classes - VI-X

No. of participating students: 38 No of Students absent: 06 Invigilator: Ms Soumita Das

The exam was conducted successfully and the OMR sheets along with the attendance sheet were dispatched for SOF office.

#### **Learning Objective:**

Students will recognise their educational strengths and benefits of analytical thinking, problem solving ability.

#### **Learning Outcome:**

Developed set of skills and improved aptitude and enhanced the academic performances of students.

**SDG-4 (Quality Education)** 



#### International English Olympiad 2022-23

Date: 14th October, 2022

Time: 8:00-9:30am

Venue: Room no 407,408,409 and Senior Library

**Classes - VI-XII** 

No. of participating students: 102

No of Students absent: 13

Invigilators: Ms Indrani Basu, Ms Dolly Chowdhury, Ms Moumita Chatterjee, Ms

Priyanka Roy Chowdhury, Ms Soumita Das

The exam was conducted successfully and the OMR sheets along with the attendance sheet were diapatched for SOF office.

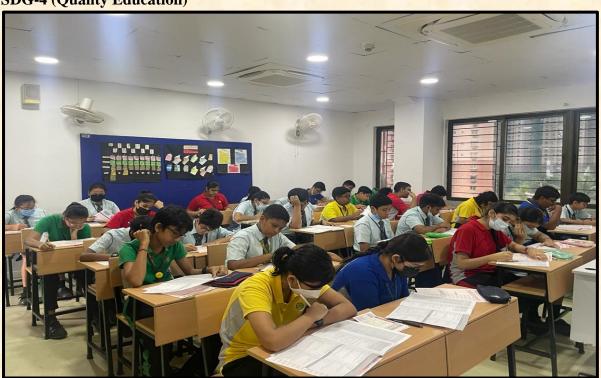
## **Learning Objective:**

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#### **Learning Outcome:**

Developed set of skills and improved aptitude and enhanced the academic performances of students.

**SDG-4 (Quality Education)** 



## **National Science Olympiad**

Date: 18th October 2022

Classes: VI-XII

No. of participating students: 81

No of Students absent: 02

Venue: Senior Library (classes 6,7,9,10,11 & 12) and AV room (Class 8)

Time: 8:00-9:30am

Invigilators: Ms Indrani Basu, Ms Dolly Chowdhury, Ms Moumita Chatterjee, Ms

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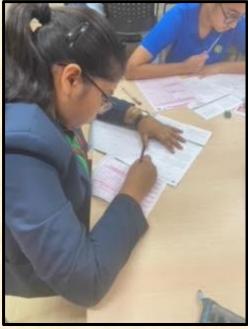
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#### **SDG-4 (Quality Education)**





## **BULLIONAIRE**, 2022

- Date -14th-15th October
- Organised by Lakshmipat Singhania Academy

Our Senior Secondary students participated in Bullionaire, a Commerce Fest organised by Lakshmipat Singhania Academy and were declared winner in the following events –



- Financial Quiz- Yash Mittal, Yavisht Kedia, Shreyansh Jha and Avyaya Kheria (XI-C)
- Stock Market- Yash Mittal & Yavisht Kedia (XI-C)
   The event is linked to SDG- 4 (Quality Education)













Non -Fire Cooking at Abhilakshya- The LSA Fest .... Table Layout and food prepared by Varun Gupta (XIE) and Aakash Agarwal (IXD)

## XUBERANCE, 2022

- Date- 14th-16th October
- Organised By St. Xaviers Collegiate School

## **SCIS** secured the following positions:

- Blogging- 1<sup>st</sup>Position
- Basketball (Girls)- 1<sup>st</sup>Position
- Football (Girls)- 1stPosition
- Slam Poetry- 2<sup>nd</sup>Position
- Photography- 2<sup>nd</sup>Position
- Antaakshari 3<sup>rd</sup>Position





Ahan Roy and Ritika Singh- 1<sup>st</sup> Position in X-Montage (Blogging Event)



Yuthika Mehrotra -2<sup>nd</sup> Position in Slam Poetry



Khannak Kadel, Disha Agarwal, Disha Bhartiya, Retesha Karnani, Panya Bagaria receiving the 1<sup>st</sup> position trophy for Basketball (Girls) from Principal



Yuthika Mehrotra, Sayesha Mukherjee, Uditi Shah, Kamille Carvalho, Neeti Sharma, Shalini Roy receiving the 1<sup>st</sup> position trophy for Football (Girls) from our Principal.



Ahan Roy- Photography- 2nd Position



Kalie Dalmia and Arshia Dutta -3<sup>rd</sup>

Position in Antakshari X -Gaana



SCIS Girls entered the Semi-Final in Tug of War event at Xuberance



Abhinoy- Bengali Play at Xuberence...

#### **MATHFINITY**

- Date- 21<sup>st</sup> October
- Organised By- Modern High School for Girls

Arjya Sarkar (IXA) was the Winner in 'Rational or Irrational' (Senior Category).

SCIS- Overall Runners Up in Senior Category

Learning Objective: To practically relate the maths concepts in real life and apply.

Learning Outcome: Students were able to apply the mathematical concepts learnt practically and were in a better position to apply in real life.

The event is linked with SDG-4 (QUALITY EDUCATION)

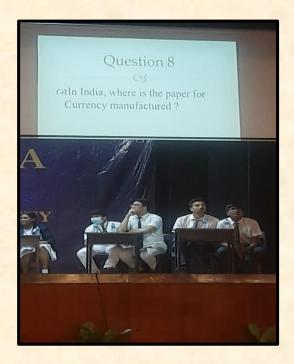






#### LA CORPORA

- Date- 22<sup>nd</sup> October
- Organised By La Martiniere for Boys
   11 commerce students from class XI&XII participated.
- Learning Objective- to test creativity, crisis solving capacity and ability to handle pressure in the toughest of business environment.
- Learning outcome- students learnt to take challenges created by uncertainties of the dynamic corporate domain.
- SDG- 4 (Quality Education)





## **SSMUN**

- Date- 28th-30th October
- Organised by Sri Sri Academy

Participants-

- 1. Arjun Thomas 9A
- 2. Disha Bhartia 11C
- 3. Rashi Kothari 11D
- 4. Uttoron Dey 11D
- 5. Kushagra Debnath 11C

Uttoron De was awarded with verbal mention.

## **CISCE Under 14 Cricket Nationals**

- Date- 12th-15th October
- · Venue- Hyderabad
- Organised By St. Joseph's School
- 8 Students from South City International School were selected For Nationals.
- 11 regions took place in this prestigious league
- WB& North East did not qualify for the knock out stage
- Champions- Uttar Pradesh
- Runners Up- Karnataka
- 3<sup>rd</sup>Position- Maharashtra
- 4<sup>th</sup>Position Kerala







## CISCE Regional Chess Championship, 2022

**Date-17thAugust** 

**Venue- PB Academic School** 

Category- Under 14 (Chess)

Position- 2nd Position (Team) (Asmita Dutta (VIIA), Ritwika Mitra (IXA), Pahal Somaiya (VIID), Aadya Agarwal (VIID), Kaashvi Jalan (VIC)





# CISCE Regional Cricket Tournament- Under 17 Boys held on 27th September, 2022

Our principal handing over the trophy to the team during the morning assembly.

**Position- First Runners Up** 



Congratulations to Naaisha Kundra of VIC who had participated in Edpressivo organised by London College of Music and has won the best performer award.







## **Inter House Rangoli Competition**

Date- 21st October

Participated by class VI -VIII

Class VI (Rangoli making) winner- Philosopher House

Class VII (Flower arrangement) winner- Achiever House

Class VIII (Rangoli with waste materials) winner-Achiever House

**Best House – Achiever House** 













# <u>Certificates being handed over to the winners of the Inter House Rangoli</u> <u>Competition</u>



Class VI – Philosopher House (First Position)



**Class VII – Achiever House (First Position)** 



**Class VIII- Achiever House (First Position)** 



**Overall Winners- Achiever House** 

## **Assemblies**

## International Day of the Girl Child

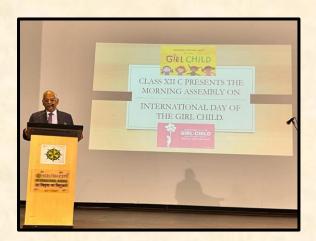
#### **Date-11th October**

**Assembly presented by Class XII-C** 

Learning objectives: To make the students aware about the observance of the International Girl Child Day and the specific problems faced by girls and ways to solve them.

Learning Outcome: The students came to know about the various projects undertaken by the Government to resolve the problems faced by the girl child.

SDG-4









## **Diwali Assembly**

Date- 21st October

**Assembly Presented by ACHIEVER HOUSE** 

Objective- to promote and inculcate a sense of brotherhood, caring and social responsibility among the students and to promote Local Handicrafts.

Learning outcome-the students were able to learn the about the real essence and motive behind celebrating Diwali. It is a festival not only about bursting crackers and celebrating with our loved ones, but also a festival where we should help the poor and the needy who have so much less than we do.

SDG - Women Empowerment (SDG Goal 5) and Promotion of Local Handicrafts (SDG Goals 4, 8,11 and 17)









#### Online Teacher Training Programme for Geography at the ICSE Level

Date: 17th October, 2022

Time: 2 P.M. to 6 P.M.

Resource Person's Name: Ms. Sunita Dwivedi

Attendee: Mr. Arindam Ray

**Platform: Online (Zoom)** 

Objective: The objective of the event was to make the teachers know the changes in syllabus and new pattern of question paper for the upcoming ICSE examination 2023.



Flow of Events: The session began at 2pm and detailed discussion on Topographical sheets and Maps, syllabus and its scope was done between 2pm and 3.30pm. There was a Question-and-answer session for 15 minutes followed by a 15 minutes break. The session resumed from 4 pm. A discussion on the specimen question paper was held. The resource person then cleared the doubts of all individual teachers and the programme concluded at 6 pm.

Takeaways from the Session: I learnt that children should use the exact terms that are written in the conventional symbols. Let the students check the conventional symbols that will be provided to them with the Topographical map. If it is a tank without an embankment then students should avoid writing whether it is natural or man-made. In

definitions children must use key words. There is no need for the children to practice the drawing of symbols; only identification is required. Direct distance will only have to be measured by making use of the scale of the map. The use of the term forestry and forest-based occupation is encouraged instead of lumbering. In map work labelling is very important. No dotted line for the topic of cancer. Standard meridian can be dotted line. Students should not tie maps at the back inside the answer script. MCQs will be set from all chapters. Reduced syllabus must be followed diligently.



Writing short to the point answers should be emphasized upon and points should be written as per the allotment of marks.

Learning Outcomes: The teacher should be instrumental in clarifying the concept of the students. Analytical approach towards subject is vital.

SDG Goals: 4 (Quality Education)

By Mr. Arindam Ray





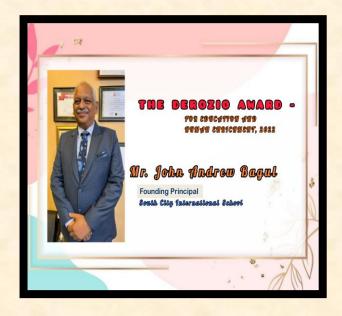
# Primary Faculty Meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> NOVEMBER, 2022

## THE DEROZIO AWARD

FOR EDUCATION & HUMAN ENRICHMENT, 2022 HAS BEEN CONFERRED UPON OUR FOUNDING PRINCIPAL MR. JOHN ANDREW BAGUL

DATE: 21st OCTOBER, 2022

**VENUE: AUDITORIUM** 





## **FOUNDATIONAL YEARS**

## **ACTIVITY DETAILS**

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

TOPIC: PLAYING WITH SHAPES AND PAINTING DIYAS

DATE - 14.10.2022

**VENUE: CLASSROOMS** 

#### **Learning Objectives**

- The activity enhanced children's hand eye co-ordination and creativity.
- The activity helped in identification of shapes, colour and texture.

#### **Learning Outcomes**

- The students developed dispositions for learning such as curiosity, co-operation, confidence, creativity, commitment, enthusiasm, persistence, imagination and reflexivity.
- They painted diyas and paper glasses and learnt about shapes.









**TOPIC: BAGLESS DAY** 

DATE - 20.10.2022

VENUE: CLASSROOMS AND GARDEN

## **Learning Objectives**

• The main objective behind Bagless Day was the physical, mental and intellectual development of the child.

#### **Learning Outcomes**

- The children found the day interesting and stress free.
- 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











TOPIC: DIWALI-FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

DATE – 24.10.2022 (CELEBRATED ON 21.10.2022)

**VENUE: CLASSROOMS AND CORRIDORS** 

## **Learning Objectives**

- Students were told about Diwali the festival of lights and how they can celebrate a Green Diwali.
- They were taught to appreciate unity and faith amongst all religions.
- They were taught that light triumphs over darkness and good triumphs over evil.

## **Learning Outcomes**

- The students learnt about different traditions and cultures.
- They made rangolis, paper rockets, tattoos and decorated the diyas and paper glasses.

## Sustainable Development Goal No. 13- Climate Action













## TOPIC: CELEBRATION OF HALLOWEEN

DATE - 31.10.2022

**VENUE: CLASSROOMS** 

#### **Learning Objectives**

- Students dressed up in scary attires of their choice.
- Students were told that there is nothing to be afraid of, to stay positive, spread love and to have faith in God.

#### **Learning Outcomes**

- The students learnt about different traditions and cultures.
- They made craft on Halloween











#### CLASS ASSEMBLY BY CLASS I A

TOPIC: INTERNATIONAL GIRL CHILD DAY

DATE: 14th OCTOBER, 2022

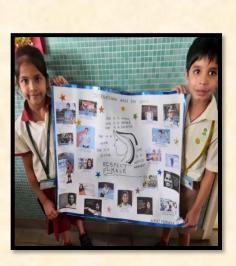
**VENUE: 1st FLOOR CORRIDOR** 

#### **Learning Objectives:**

To make the students understand the needs and challenges girls face and to promote girls' empowerment and the fulfilment of their rights.

#### **Learning Outcomes:**

- As future citizens the students need to work to ensure that a woman gets every opportunity to realise her potential. By celebrating, protecting and educating the girl child, we empower her.
- **❖** Sustainable Development Goal No. 5-Gender Equality







**TOPIC: BAGLESS DAY** 

THEME: SHAKTI THROUGH LIGHT

**CLASSES:** I and II

ACTIVITIES: OUTDOOR GAMES, STORYTELLING SESSION & CRAFT

DATE: 20th OCTOBER, 2022

Students used old newspapers to make lanterns and paper bags. They decorated it with stickers and other decorative items.

<u>Learning Outcome</u>: The concept of up cycle and 3 R's (Reduce, Reuse & Recycle )was instilled in them through these activities.

**Library Activity: October 2022** 

Bagless Day (20th October 2022)

Topic: Shakti through Light - Diwali

Class: I (all sections)

**Venue: Junior Library** 

**Description:** Group discussions on "Why I love Diwali".

Story Time: Amar Chitra Katha: Ramayan / Sons of Ram

Activity: Students were asked to draw and colour a lantern.













TOPIC: CELEBRATION OF HALLOWEEN

DATE - 31.10.2022

**VENUE: CLASSROOMS** 

## **Learning Objectives**

- Students dressed up in Halloween costumes and makeup of their choice.
- They used paper plates and cotton balls to make face masks and wall hangings.

## **Learning Outcomes**

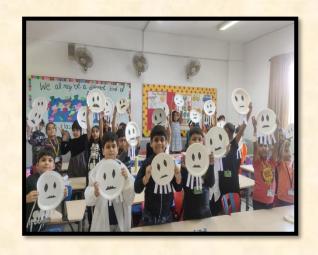
• The students learnt about the different western traditions and cultures.











# **TOPIC: CELEBRATION OF HALLOWEEN DATE – 28.10.2022**

## **VENUE: AMERICAN LIBRARY**

Students from Classes 1 -5 were invited to the American Library to celebrate Halloween on 28<sup>th</sup> October. They were involved in lot of fun-filled activities like:

- 1. Cookie making
- 2. Face painting
- 3. Mummy race
- 4. Pumpkin decoration
- 5. Story telling session









# PREPARATORY ACTIVITY DETAILS Classes III, IV & V

#### SCIENCE OLYMPIAD FOUNDATION (SOF) EXAMS (1<sup>st</sup> level exams)

CLASSES: I – V

DATE: 11<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER, 2022

TIME: 8:15 – 11: 30 a.m.

VENUE: CAFETERIA, BENGALI CLASSROOM

TEACHERS IN CHARGE: SHOMA MA'AM, ANDREA MA'AM, DEEPA MA'AM & SAWANDIPA MA'AM

IGKO – 11 TH OCTOBER (NO. OF PARTICIPANTS APPEARED - 91)

IEO – 14<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER (NO. OF PARTICIPANTS APPEARED - 167)

NSO – 18<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER (NO. OF PARTICIPANTS APPEARED - 119)







#### BAGLESS DAY ACTIVITIES CLASSES: III - V

DATE: 20<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER, 2022 THEME: SHAKTI THROUGH LIGHT VENUE: RESPECTIVE CLASSROOMS

#### Learning Objective:

Using their logic and critical thinking to analyze the topic along with their imagination.

- **Learning Outcome**:
- Development of motor skills
- Combination of colours, blending colours, application of measurement
- Emotional quotient enhanced



CLASS III – WALL HANGING WITH BANGLES



CLASS IV – RANGOLI MAKING



CLASS V – DIYA PAINTING AND DECORATING





### PRIMARY INTER HOUSE RANGOLI COMPETITION CLASSES: III - V

DATE: 20<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER, 2022 TIME: 10:30 am – 12:30 PM

VENUE: GROUND FLOOR CORRIDOR & CLASS III CLASSROOMS

Class III Rangoli colouring (worksheet)



Class IV
Rangoli with flowers
Theme: World Peace



Class V
Rangoli with Rangoli powder
Theme: Splash of Colours



## RESULTS OF PRIMARY INTER HOUSE RANGOLI COMPETITION CLASSES: III - V

DATE: 20<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER, 2022

Class III

1 Position – Creator House





Class IV
1 Position – Creator House









**Best House Creator House** 



## PRIMARY ACHIEVER HOUSE ASSEMBLY TOPIC: INTERNATIONAL DAY OF ERADICATION OF POVERTY AND DEEPAWALI

DATE: 17 OCTOBER, 2022 VENUE: AUDITORIUM

#### Learning Objectives:

- To make students aware of the efforts and struggle of the people living in poverty.
- Highlighting the lack of opportunities faced by the poverty-stricken on a daily basis.

#### **Learning Outcomes:**

 The assembly helped students to realize the prevalent hardships plaguing the poor and encouraged them to take initiatives and do the bare minimum to bring about a change even at the grass root level.













### PRIMARY CREATOR HOUSE ASSEMBLY TOPIC: WORLD VEGAN DAY & HALLOWEEN

DATE: 31 St OCTOBER, 2022 VENUE: AUDITORIUM

#### **Learning Objective:**

To inspire people to follow a new kind of lifestyle which is veganism and to establish an animal-free environment worldwide.

#### Learning Outcomes:

• They will learn the importance of plant-based products, especially in dairy beverages and cultured products.







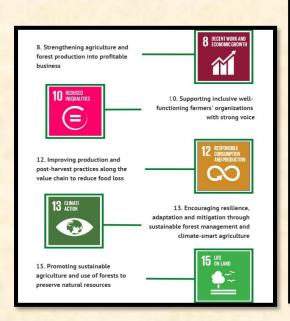


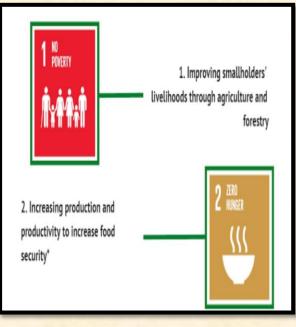
## CLASS IV D TOPIC: INTERNATIONAL DAY OF GIRL CHILD & INTERNATIONAL FARMERS DAY

DATE: 12<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER, 2022









#### CLASS IV C TOPIC: WORLD STUDENTS' DAY & INTERNATIONAL DAY OF ERADICATION OF POVERTY

DATE: 19<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER, 2022 VENUE: AUDITORIUM

- Learning Objective:
- · Marking the birth anniversary of former president Dr APJ Abdul Kalam
- To acknowledge the effort and struggle of people living in poverty.
- **Learning Outcomes:**

To imbibe in students the importance of meaningful acts of social responsibility

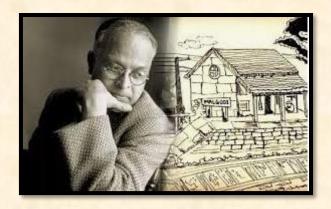












Rasipuram Krishnaswami Iyer Narayanaswami was an Indian writer known for his work set in the fictional South Indian town of Malgudi. He was one of the leading authors of early Indian literature in English.

Born: 10 October 1906, Chennai

Died: 13 May 2001, Chennai

Siblings: R. K. Laxman

Fact File:

R.K. Narayan was the discoverer and founder of early Indian literature in English.

Narayan's greatest achievement was making India accessible to the outside world through his literature.

His grandmother inspired in young Narayan a passion for language and for people.

For his exemplary work, R.K. Narayan was awarded the Sahitya Academy Award and the Padma Bhushan too.

Narayan's stories begin with realistic settings and everyday happenings in the lives of a cross-section of Indian society, with characters of all classes. Major themes of most of his stories is the study of the family and various family relationships, the renunciation, generational disaffiliation, conflict between tradition and modernity, the East-West encounter, education, etc. Gradually fate or chance, oversight or blunder, transforms mundane events to preposterous happenings. Unexpected disasters befall the hero as easily as unforeseen good fortune. The characters accept their fates with an equanimity that suggests the faith that things will somehow turn out happily, whatever their own motivations or actions.

#### **Books:**

