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NATIONAL PUBLIC SCHOOL KORAMANGALA

REVERBERANCE

26th July-25th August 2021 Newsletter



Dear Readers,

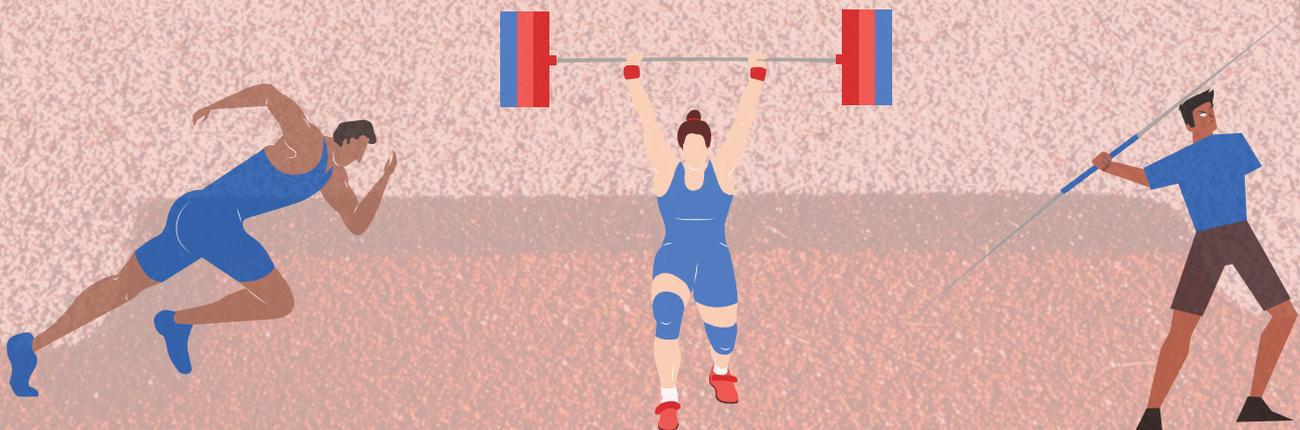
Tokyo Olympics 2020 transcended all political boundaries and showcased not just the first and the best among champions but also their stories of undeterred perseverance, struggle and their indomitable will to succeed. Surpassing all odds, these Olympian heroes won millions of hearts, if not a medal.

USA swimming champ Katie Ledecky who bounced back from the worst finish of her brilliant Olympic career to take the first-ever gold medal in the women's 1,500-meter freestyle, said-

"I would encourage you to set really high goals. Set goals that, when you set them, you think they're impossible. But then every day you can work towards them, and anything is possible, so keep working hard and follow your dreams."

We share the joy of India's super seven who gave the country its most successful Olympic campaign. The spirit of sportsmanship and commitment nurtured right from the formative years, stand as a bedrock when life throws challenges our way. As we march ahead through the month of August for sure our accomplishments too leave an imprint on the sands of time.

Let's read on..



GRADE 12 CBSE RESULT

The students of NPS Koramangala performed spectacularly in the assessment done by CBSE at the end of the academic year 2020-2021. **Shreya Aiyer** topped the school with 98.2%, closely followed by **Abhigyan Roy, Anshul Roy and Ayush Bhauwala** who scored 97.8%. The third place was clinched by **Anika N Khandekar and Neeraja Lad** with 97.6%.

The average percentage of the school is 93.7%. Out of the 77 students assessed, 41 have scored above 95%, while 63 have scored above 90%.

Heartiest congratulations to all the students, parents and teachers!

FIRST



Shreya Aiyer- 98.2%

SECOND



**Ayush Bhauwala
97.8%**



**Abhigyan Roy
97.8%**

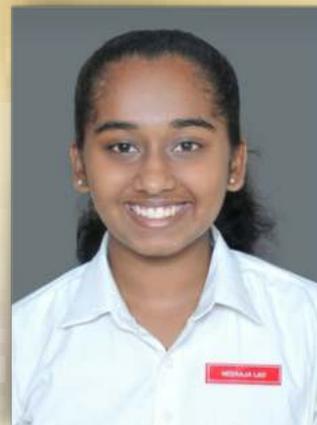


**Anshul Roy
97.8%**

THIRD



**Anika N Khandekar
97.6%**



**Neeraja Lad
97.6%**

FIRST

GRADE 10 CBSE RESULT



**Ananya Miriam
Jose
99%**

The performance of the Grade 10 students of National Public School, Koramangala in the assessment done by CBSE at the end of the academic year 2020-2021 was truly exceptional. **Ananya Miriam Jose** and **Ankita Anand** have topped the list with 99%. The second position is shared by **Advik Kabra** and **Ishana Modi** with a score of 98.6%. The third position is secured by **Nishtha Ladi** with 98.4 %.



**Ankita Anand
99%**

The average percentage of the school is a commendable 92.5%. Out of the 97 students assessed by CBSE, 36 have scored above 95% and 74 students have scored above 90%.

Heartiest congratulations to all the students, parents and the teachers!

SECOND



**Advik Kabra
98.6%**



**Ishana Modi
98.6%**

THIRD



**Nishtha Ladi
98.4%**

ACHIEVEMENTS

KVPY (UPDATES)

The Kishore Vaigyanik Protsahan Yojana (KVPY) is a National Program of Fellowship in Basic Sciences, initiated and funded by the Department of Science and Technology, Government of India, to attract exceptionally highly motivated students for pursuing basic science courses and research career in science.

It is a matter of great pleasure that our students Abhigyan Roy and Himank Gupta (Class of 2021) have qualified in KVPY 2020.

WIZ SPELL BEE AND ISTSE



Sreejani Bhaduri

Sreejani Bhaduri of Grade 6C has done amazingly well in various national and international competitions.

She secured international rank-11 in the Indian School Talent Search Exam (ISTSE) for the academic year 2020-2021. She has been awarded silver medal and certificate for being an Outstanding Performer.

Sreejani won the 1st Rank in Wiz Spell Bee National Mega Final (2020-2021). She went on to winning the competition at all levels, from school to interschool and then from state to national level.

She also won gold medal in the CREST International Spell Bee Summer (CSB) 2021-2022.

INTERSCHOOL EVENTS

CRYPTOCRACY

Cryptocracy was an online cryptic hunt conducted by students of DPS Dwarka and DPS RK Puram (powered by Athena Education). A cryptic hunt was an online multiplayer event that involved players having to follow a trail of leads and clues to get to a question's answer. It tested participants' mental prowess. A total of around 1700 students participated in the event globally. **Pranav Mahajan of grade 11A stood 49th, Advik Kabra of grade 11B stood 54th, and Kushagra Sisodia of grade 11A stood 343rd in the event.**

47	Shorya Mehra
48	Ayush Raj Oinam
49	Pranav Mahajan
50	Bhavy Vijay
51	Subhajit Behura
52	Shiven Agarwal
53	Soham Gupta

340	Tanishq Mittal
341	Abhinav Mishra
342	Harsh Vardhan Singh
343	Kushagra Sisodia
344	Sunshreyay Cambow
345	Neemesh Yadav

THE CRYPTIC CROSSWORD CONTEST 2021

The Cryptic Crossword Contest 2021's phase one was conducted on 31st July and 1st August. **Palak Mehta and Anshi Dev of Grade 9**, placed 2nd in Bangalore, 5th in Karnataka and 300th in India on the first day. They placed 1st in Bangalore, 1st in Karnataka and 50th in India on the second day. Overall, they placed 2nd in Bangalore, 2nd in Karnataka and 144th in India. It was an enriching experience for the participants as it forced them to think outside the box.

VIVUM 21

VIVUM 21 was conducted by TISB from 7th to 14th August 2021. There were a variety of meticulously organised and conducted events ranging from dance, and music to debate, drama and sports. **Sankarshanan Srikanth** of 11C was placed first in the music event. In the virtual sports events, **Prithvi Bapna of 12 B** and **Akshay Aiyer of 11B** were the winners in badminton and table tennis events respectively. There was a special mention about **Divyanshu Mitra 12B** in the drama event.



Sankarshanan Srikanth



Divyanshu Mitra



Prithvi Bapna

MERAKI

DPS-South conducted literary fest MERAKI on the 13th of August 2021. **Anshi Dev from 9B** and **M Shweta from 9C** were placed first in Weave a Tale and Evolutus events respectively.

TRANSCENDENCE 2021

Transcendence 2021 was conducted from 1st to 14th August 2021 by St. Joseph's Boys High School. **Aryan Agarwal from Grade 10A** placed first in **Code-Blooded**, the coding event.



RNPSMUN

NPS Rajajinagar conducted its first online edition of RNPSMUN on 18th and 19th August. The delegation comprising Ameya Mishra, Anirudd Archak, Ranvit Bahirwani and Pranit Mukherjee from 9B, Maanya Golash from 10A and M Kavin from 11C represented our school across various committees. **Anirudd Archak and Maanya Golash** bagged a special mention, and **Ranvit Bahirwani** won commendable delegate in Lok Sabha.



INTERHOUSE EVENTS: GRADES 6-8

DOODLE MAKING (ART CLUB)

The art competition, Doodle Making, was conducted on 26th- 30th July 2021. 'To my future self' was the theme of the competition. The cool doodles displayed excellent drawing skills, creativity and originality of the young artists.

Out of the 30 entries shortlisted, the winners of the competition were **Ananya Mahesh (Pioneer House)- first place; Anirudh Srinivas (Voyager House)- second place, and Nikita Shanbaug (Explorer House)- third place**



SCRATCH CODING (CYBER CLUB)

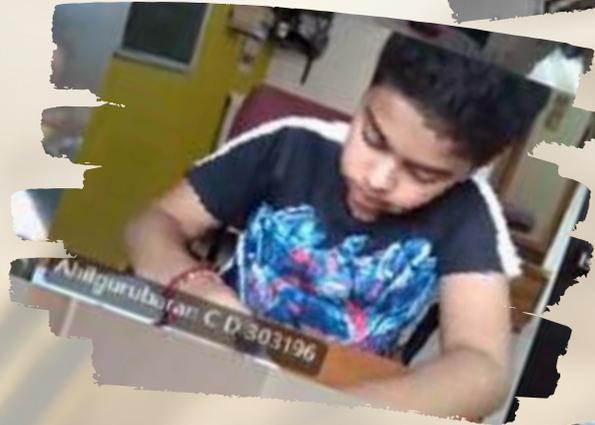
The Scratch Coding event for grades 6-8 was hosted by the Cyber Club on 19th August. It was a team event hosted on the online Scratch platform. Each House had a team of two participants who had to solve 6 questions within an hour. In the close competition **Pioneer House won** the event with a score of 15.5 points. Explorer House was the runners-up by a difference of merely half a point. The event was a tremendous learning experience for the participants as well as the conveners.



POETRY WRITING (LITERARY CLUB)

The Poetry Writing competition was conducted on 9th July 2021 where all students from grades 6 to 8 composed a poem using a given prompt. Conducted during the Friyay period, the activity showcased the creativity, imagination and presence of mind of the budding poets.

The winners of the competition were -**Alia Ghaus (Pioneer House)** and **Sreejani Bhaduri (Voyager House)** -first place; **Anushka Venu (Pioneer House)** - second place, and **Nishant Ray (Voyager House)** and **Manasvini Rau (Challenger House)**- third place.



INTER HOUSE EVENTS: GRADES 9-12

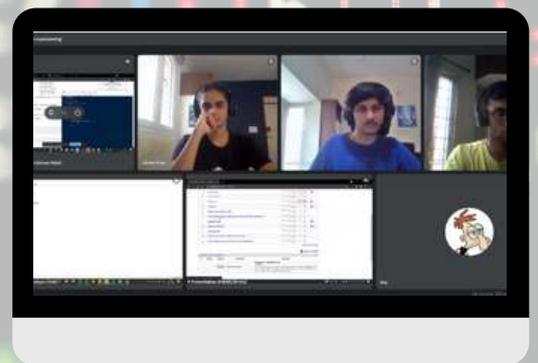
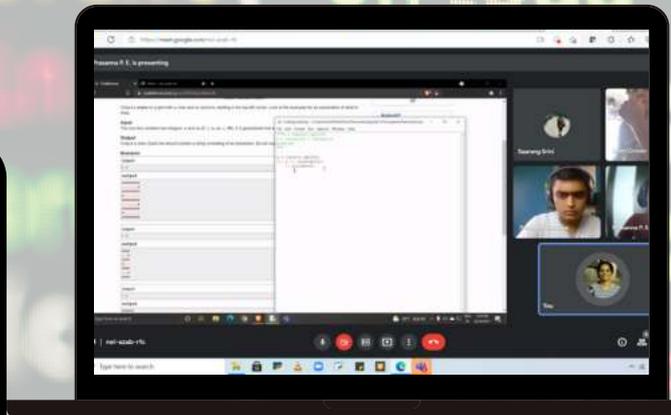
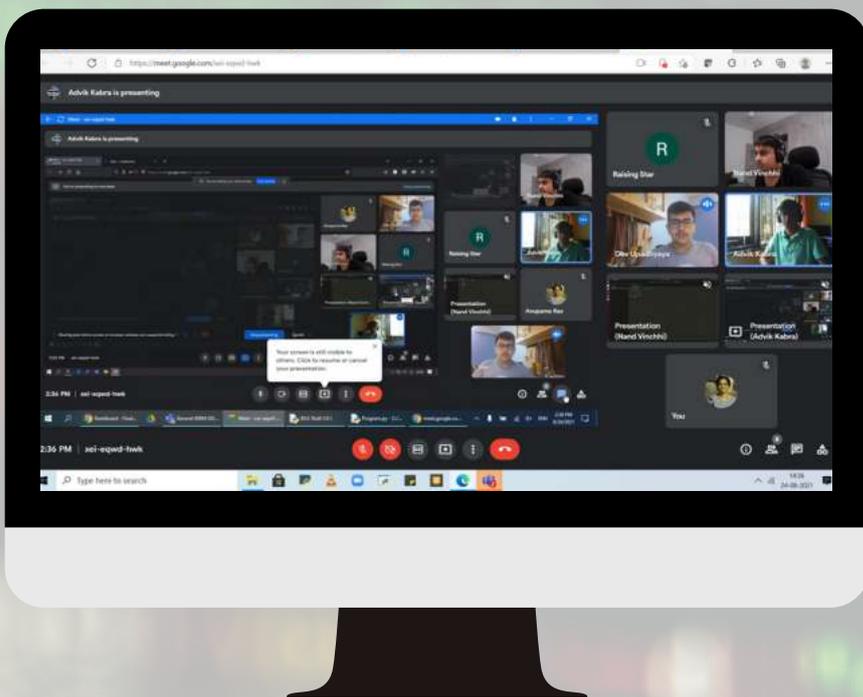
'ONE MINUTE PLEASE!' (LITERARY CLUB)

The senior school interhouse events for the year commenced with Literary Club hosting the live event, **'One Minute Please!'** on 23rd August 2021. It was a fiercely competitive and fast paced event where a participant from each House locked horns with his/her opponent in impromptu speech. Each minute given to the contestants was an exciting display of creativity, presence of mind, critical thinking and excellent oratory skills. The speakers were challenged for hesitation, repetition or deviation from the topic allotted which made the contest truly testing. The event was headed by President Literary Club, Aishani Tewari. She was ably supported by Vice President Ishana Modi and Secretaries Srijan Ghosh and Ranya Bahirwani. The results for this well received competition will soon be announced.



CODING EVENT (CYBER CLUB)

A Coding event was hosted by the Cyber Club on the platform called Codeforces on 24th August. The two-hour long event had three participants from each House who competed to solve fifteen coding problems in the least possible time. **Voyager House emerged victorious** with a total of 14 points. **Pioneer House was the runners up** with 8 points.



QUIZOPHILIA (QUIZ CLUB)

The Interhouse Battle of the Brains, Quizophilia, was conducted on 25th August, 2021. The quiz encompassed 4 rounds: Infinite Bounce, Chain Round, Jeopardy and Place your Bets, with two participants per House. The event commenced with Infinite Bounce where the Explorers and the Voyagers secured 20 points each, while the Challengers and Pioneers were yet to score. No team could complete their respective chains in the Chain round, however, the Challengers and Explorers earned 30 and 10 points respectively. The Explorers cashed in on the penultimate, Jeopardy round securing 40 points while the Voyagers scored 20 points. The quiz ended with the 'Place your bets' round where all the teams incurred negative points, except for the Challengers. The final scores showed the **Explorers** narrowly edging out the Challengers to secure the **first position**, while the Challengers, Voyagers and Pioneers took the second, third and fourth places respectively.



NPSKONNECT

IKIGAI

The 7th Aug 2021 session of NPSKONNECT - PARENTSPEAK program was conducted by **Mr. Sakti Bagchi**, a Human Resource enthusiast with 21 years of experience in management in Healthcare IT sector. He introduced the students to the wonders of IKIGAI, the Japanese secret to a long and healthy life. Mr. Bagchi took his audience through this wonderful concept by making them realise the importance of keeping a balance between passion and money, and also showed them how to utilise this art in choosing their career routes. He encouraged the students to gradually integrate this practice in their daily lives and seek out what actions and activities bring them joy along with a sense of fulfillment. Towards the end, students' queries were enthusiastically answered by Mr. Bagchi.



HIRING INTERNS

On 25th August 2021, our alumnus **Abhinav Karthik**, organised a session for the students of Grades 11 and 12 to present an internship opportunity at his startup, **BucketlistER**. BucketlistER is a mobile app that helps one complete his/her bucket list. It provides an interface that has possibly everything needed to complete one's financial, personal, travel and adventure goals. The session gave students an opportunity for a hands-on experience in business relations, company relations, marketing and product testing. Some of our students have been taken in as interns.



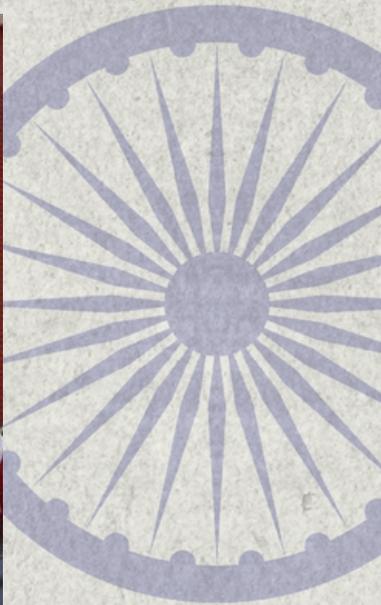
Abhinav Karthik



75TH INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

The first rays of the sun that illuminated the world on 15th August 2021, revitalised the citizens of India with a new promise and a new vigour. NPS Koramangala joined the nation as it celebrated the 75th Independence Day. As the tricolour was hoisted in the school ground by **Principal, Ms. Jyotsna Nair**, the members of the student council and a small group of students along with their parents and staff members displayed their respect to the nation by proudly saluting the flag.

The constraints of the times, could not limit the spirited students from joyously celebrating the day from the safety of their homes. The special virtual Class Assemblies of grades 6 to 12 was a homage to this diverse nation as it turns 75. After watching a recording of the ceremony at school and a beautiful rendition of national integration song Desh Raag by grades 8-10 students, the children presented an array of programmes for which they had been enthusiastically preparing for the past few weeks. From the soul stirring patriotic music, dance or poem rendition to the thought for the day, speech, quiz, skit and art work, students had it all. It was not just paying homage to the heroes of our freedom struggle but also driving home the point that one has to value the liberty one enjoys, by being a responsible citizen of this great nation.









Art Workshop GRADES 7-8 AND 9
BEGINNER FRIENDLY INTRODUCTION TO ART PIECE COMPOSITION

2 DAYS
TECHNICAL ART SKILLS & ART HISTORY

Dates:
Day 1- 30th July, 3 PM
Day 2- 2nd August, 2:30 PM

Explore the basic concepts behind colour theory and composition of art pieces

Analyse popular paintings and the techniques the artists used

Conducted by:
Arya Dilip, 12-A
Pragati Sakhuja, 12-B

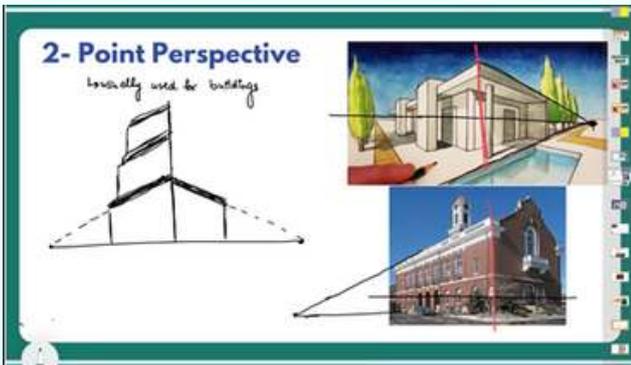
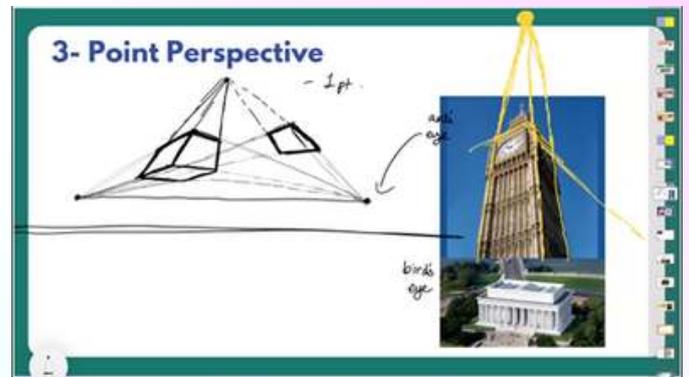
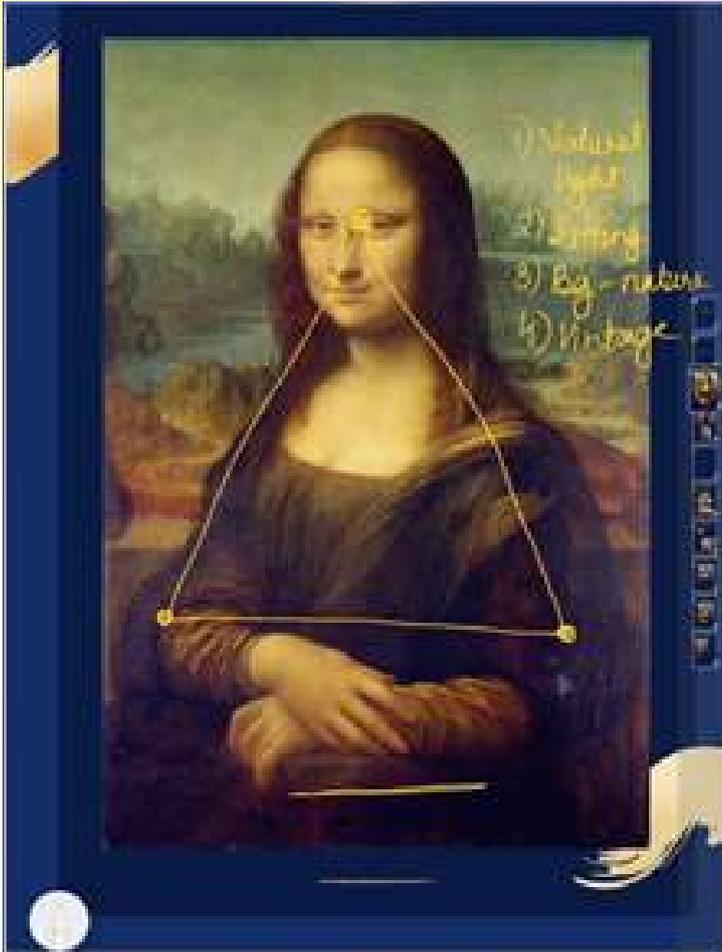
ART WORKSHOP

Arya Dilip and **Pragati Sakhuja** of Grade12 conducted an art workshop for Grades 7, 8 and 9 on 30th August and 2nd July with an objective to convey the basic concepts of art along with the meaning behind famous paintings.

On the first day, students were introduced to the colour theory and its importance in art. Concepts like hues, saturation, vibrancy, etc. were explored through an interactive session. Next, the participants learnt and experimented with different types of perspectives and their applications. Furthermore, rules of composition (Golden Ratio, Rule of Thirds) were analyzed to help the participants create their own art pieces.

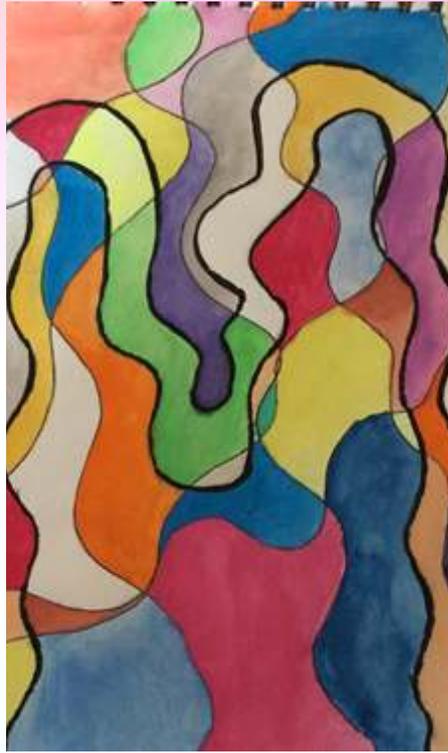
The second day of the workshop involved a deep dive into the famous paintings and art history. Leonardo Da Vinci's illustrious Mona Lisa was chosen to examine in detail the meanings, techniques and themes behind the timeless painting. To analyze the Indian art history, one of the most revered of Indian art forms, the Pattachitra from Odisha, was selected. The native techniques and intricate sketches within the painting were comprehensively discussed and studied.

To observe their learning, participants were invited to submit their own art pieces that depicted a specific colour palette along with one rule of composition.





Anarghya Prabhu(8A)



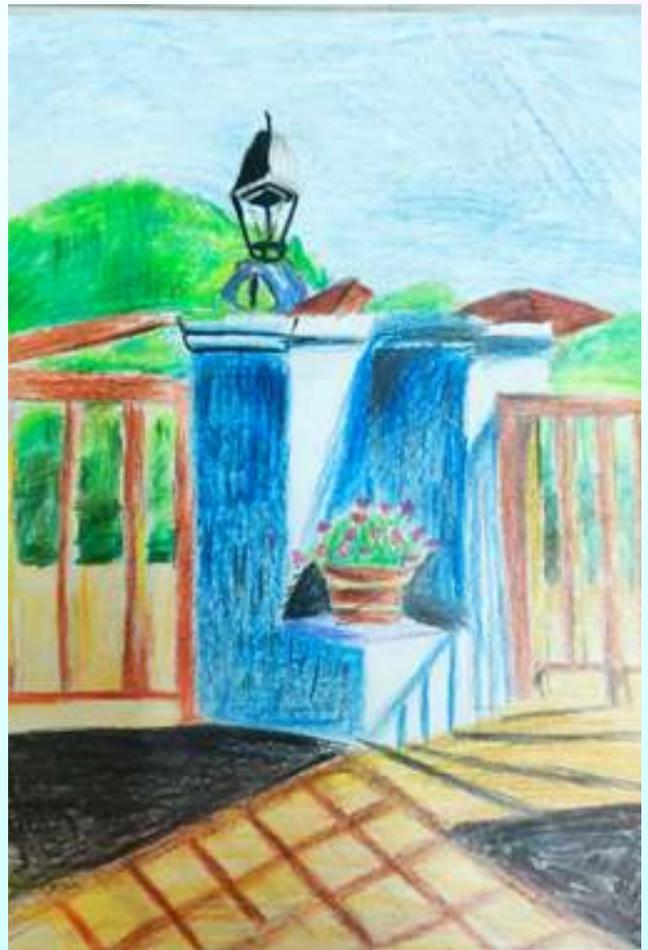
Manan Maheshwari(7C)



Vandana R Nambiar (8A)



Mukund Rathi(7C)



Suhaani Roy(8A)



H R Gawri- 6B



Nikita Shanbaug-8C



Anirudh Srinivas-8A



Ananya Mahesh- 8B

SESSION ON GENDER STEREOTYPE

Project AdoleSENSE, founded by **Disha Kannan** and **Sara Parikh** of Grade 10, is a student-led initiative under the 1M1B Future Leaders program. **Ranvit Bahirwani (Grade 9)** and **Ritika Malik (Grade10)** are part of the core curriculum team and all of them work towards the common goal of implementing sex education in schools.

Working on this direction, a session on Gender Stereotype was held on 18th August for Grade 7 students. It commenced with students categorising jobs and phrases as feminine or masculine, based on society's expectations. This was followed by a discussion on the difference between gender and sex- in terms of anatomy and personal feelings. Students had diverse views on the subject and it was evident that the seventh graders knew how to treat the opposite(binary) gender, as well as to be respectful and supportive of non-binary genders.

With the help of a creative, well-thought-out slideshow, Ms. Niyati explained a few of the non-binary genders and the concept of inclusivity. They were also made aware of the limitations that arise due to the stereotypical perception of society. The highly interactive session ended with 'The Balloon Activity' wherein the students wrote a negative memory on a balloon and burst it, which was symbolic of forgetting bad times followed by writing a happy memory on a balloon and dancing with it which was symbolic of cherishing good times.



COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAM

Our students have always endeavoured to do their bit for the society in multiple ways: Spending time with the elderly in old age homes; with children in orphanages and blind schools, making notebooks for the disadvantaged students, raising funds through newspaper collection drives and donating essential commodities to the underprivileged were all intrinsic to a regular school year. To carry this forward, this year the students of Grade 7 and 8 have volunteered to create functional products out of waste which will then be donated to the needy.

Community Outreach Program



Best out of waste

Become part of the core group and help teach students how to make best out of waste items



Or join as a volunteer and learn!
All items made will be donated
Last date for form submission:
27.08.21

TEACHER SPEAK

The World of Sugar

Few would deny that sugar is the spice of life. Though it was produced and used in the Indian subcontinent since ancient times, sugar, a 'new spice' was discovered by the Europeans only as late as the 11th century CE. Up to that point, honey was the prevalent sweetening agent.

When Emperor Darius of Persia came to India, he found what he described as "the reed which gives honey without bees" growing on the banks of the Indus river and he promptly carried it back with him to Persia. This was a perennial grass called sugarcane. Sugarcane is said to have come to India from Polynesia. Today 80% of the world's sugar comes from sugarcane and India is the largest producer of sugar after Brazil.

Sugar in itself does not form a necessary part of a human's diet but desserts as we know them today would never have taken off without sugar.

Sugar is today available in many forms and can be extracted from many sources, the most common being sugarcane and sugar beet. Sugar is also obtained from date palms, corn and maple. Gur or jaggery which is popular in India, is a partially refined sugar made from cane sugar or palm sugar.

Gratitude is the sweetest thing in a seeker's life - in all human life. If there is gratitude in your heart, then there will be tremendous sweetness in your eyes. Kind, gracious and loving words can add to the much needed sweetness in our life. Take a moment before speaking; collect words with mindfulness to show compassion towards the person. So let us all contribute to making this world a sweeter place.

Sabina Neazi

Faculty- Social Science Department

Dear readers, that's all for now. Goodbye with a short poem

If I can stop one heart from breaking,
I shall not live in vain;
If I can ease one life the aching,
Or cool one pain,
Or help one fainting robin
Unto his nest again,
I shall not live in vain.

Emily Dickinson

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