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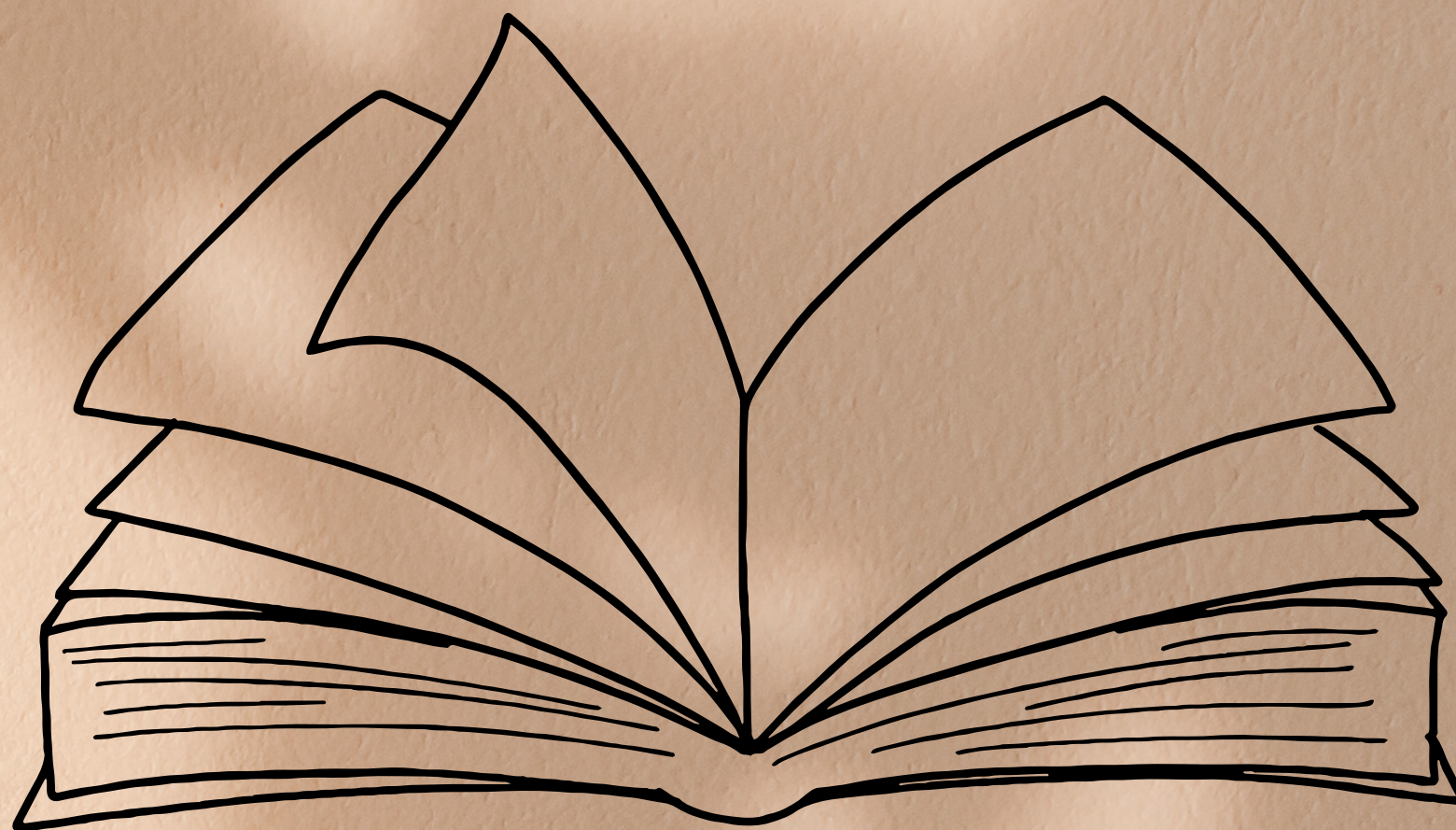
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DEAR READERS



Dear Readers,

**Science is about the miracle of the mundane and children can appreciate this best. Every child is a scientist
-Susan Bosak**

Our major event, the triennial science fair – KHOJ was an amazing experience, a bridge to theoretical knowledge and practical application in a fun way. Our budding scientists, researchers, and innovators came up with ‘cool’ ideas to benefit society through their projects. Other highlights of the month are the celebrations of Kannada Rajyotsava and Children’s Day.

Our students enthusiastically conducted, participated, and excelled in multifarious inter and intra-school competitions and events.

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ACHIEVEMENTS

NPS KORAMANGALA CHANGEMAKERS @ THE UNITED NATIONS



It was a celebration of the incredible power and potential of India's youth at the United Nations in New York on 30th November 2023. At a special event co-hosted by the Permanent Mission of India with the 1 Million for 1 Billion Foundation. Eight of NPS Koramangala's dynamic youth changemakers presented their projects, showcasing their contributions to the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in India.



At the 7th 1M1B Activate Impact Summit, NPS Koramangala changemakers wonderfully showcased their projects which were a vivid reflection of India's youthful energy and its steadfast commitment to making a significant impact on the global stage. From rejuvenating dying lakes (Renee George's 'Aboat Time') to spreading awareness on child sexual abuse (Krish Jauhri and Ohanna. C.L's 'Save Little Hearts') each project addressed a pressing social issue.

Anura Subhash's 'Project Asar' promoted the upcycling of sustainable clothes, while Maanyata Ladi's 'Project Vitality' provided young disadvantaged adults with much-needed physical health support. Akash Panda's 'Project Illuminate' addressed the lack of educational opportunities for underprivileged children, and Nishitashaa Medhi and Avni Gupta's 'M.USE' promoted sustainable fashion choices.





B Jishnu Uahan's 'Project Shikshayathi' focused on improving education at the grassroots level and Shivank Jaiswal's 'Project Prosperity' provided equal access to employment and business opportunities for unemployed women.



During the presentations in the ECOSOC Chamber at the UN, answering the question, "What should educators do for sustainability?", Ms. Jyotsna Nair aptly quoted the age-old wisdom, intrinsic to our culture 'Vasudhaiv Kutumbakam'. She underscored the need for schools to provide abundant opportunities to students to work on sustainability goals, by leveraging their problem-solving and tech skills, to fulfil the vision of the G20 summit, 'One Earth, One Family, One Future.'



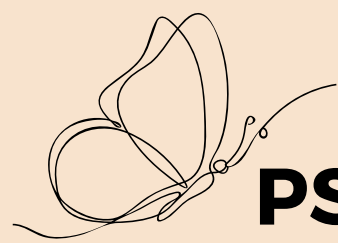
On 1st Dec, the Indian Ambassador to the UN, Ms. Ruchira Kambhoj had an informal meeting with the students, mentors from IMIB and the accompanying Principals at India's Permanent Mission at the UN . Witnessing the passion and innovation of the young minds, she lauded them not just as future leaders but also as the ones who are actively shaping the present, driving tangible and meaningful change.

During the 5-day trip to New York, the cohort attended workshops and mentoring sessions, where they had the opportunity to pitch their ideas to educators, entrepreneurs, and other influential figures.

Ms. Ruchira Kamboj, Mr. Maher Nasser, Director of the outreach division in the UN Department of Global Communications; Mr. Wook-Jin Chang, Chief, NGO Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), UN, and other notable personalities and representatives from industry, non-profits, academia, and civil society were among the distinguished dignitaries at the summit.



The lessons learned and the connections made at this incredible event will continue to guide the students on their journeys as future leaders and changemakers.



PSAT/NMSQT

PSAT/NMSQT is a Preliminary SAT exam conducted by College Board at NPS KRM every year. This year PSAT was online and Grades 9, 10, and 11 students took it on 30th October 2023.

Continuing the tradition of winning, this year as well, two of our students, **Diya Agrawal** and **Amrit Arora Kuruganti of Grade 12B** were placed as 'Commended Students' in top 50,000 scorers among more than 1.5 million PSAT/NMSQT 2022 participants. They received a Letter of Commendation from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation.

Sreejani Bhaduri (8A) has secured International Rank 1 in the Crest International Spell Bee (Summer) 2023. She has been awarded an Achiever's Trophy, a medal, citation, and INR 10,000 Gift Vouchers.



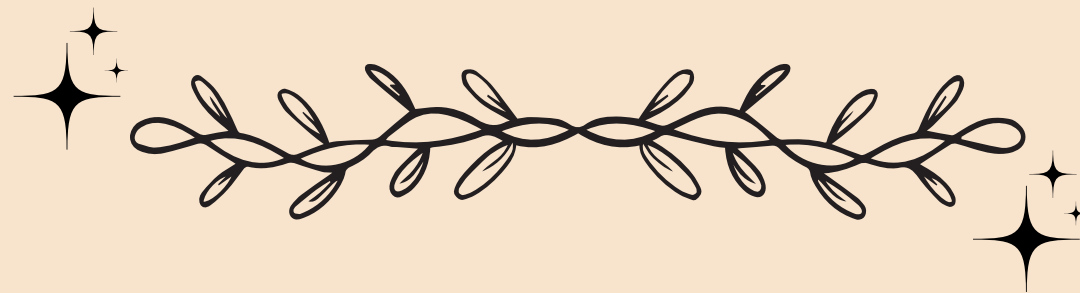
Ritwik B Reddy (8C) won the Best Debator award in the debate competition held by Times NIE at Tunbridge school on 9th November 2023. Ritwik debated against the topic- 'Positive Influence of Robotics on Health'. Chief surgeon at Manipal Hospital, Dr. Vidyadhara addressed the audience,

INTERSCHOOL-COMPETITIONS

SJBHS MUN

Saint Joseph's Boy's High School held a Model United Nations Conference on the 26th- 28th October. Nine students from NPS KRM participated in the conference. The engaging conference varied in agendas from economic imperialism to the Naxalbari Crisis. Out of the nine students who participated in this conference, **Arjun Sahai (9A)** received a special mention.

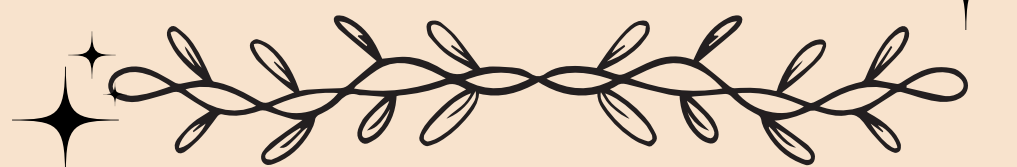
INTERSCHOOL- COMPETITIONS



'CYBERNAUTICA'

Our school participated in 'CYBERNAUTICA' on the 4th November 2023, an inter-school cyber fest hosted by NPS-HSR, and won various prizes.

In Algorithm Arena, the competitive coding event, Dev Upadhyaya (12A) bagged 1st place and Aditya Kiran (11A) bagged 3rd place.



In Hackman, the hackathon event, a team comprising Rishi Rajesh (11A), Renee George (12A) and Samaira Malik (12A) secured the second place.

In Zodiac, the murder mystery event, a team with Gokul Vemuri (12A), Ruchir Kulshrestha (11A), Vihaan Mehrotra (12A) won the second prize.

In Erbauen Rechner, the PC Building event, a team of Adith Manikonda (12A) and Aryaroop Bose (12A) bagged the second prize.

In, Editopia, the video editing event Krrish Das (12A) and Nitigya Khaneja (12A) came second.

In Pixel Wars, the graphic design event, a team with Chaitrashree (11A), Aryan Subudhi (11A), and Trividha Nath (11B) bagged the 3rd place.

In Agon, the FIFA-themed cyber event, the 3rd place prize was won by Ayush G (11C) and Anirudha (11A). Our school also won the overall CYBERNAUTICA trophy!



NPS-Indiranagar conducted 'Codessey', an inter-school fest on the 17th of November 2023. A team consisting of Shivansh Goyal (8C) and Harshit Halejoad (8A) won the second place in the event 'Mysterium'.



XAVAGE

TISB conducted 'XAVAGE', an inter school commerce event on the 3rd November 2023. A team consisting of Atulit Subramanian (11C), Anshi Dev (11B), and Ranvit Bahirwani (11C) won first place in the event 'The Courting'.

CODESSEY

Manan Maheshwari (9C) and Nishant Ray (10A) won the first prize in the Rotary Quiz hosted by the Rotary Quiz Club on the 4th of November 2023.







SNIS conducted their Inter-school sports fest Sportivo on 2nd and 3rd of November.

Our U18 Girls basketball team won the runner-up trophy. Our U18 Boys team were the basketball winners. **Anirudh Srinivas (10C)** was awarded the Most Valuable Player award.

NPS KRM Runners-up in CBSE Cluster - VIII Karnataka Basketball Tournament

We are delighted to announce that the NPS Koramangala U-19 Boys team emerged the runner-up among 79 strong teams from CBSE schools all over Karnataka in the CBSE Cluster - VIII Karnataka Basketball Tournament held at DPS South Bangalore on 29th October 2023. Kudos to our 12 agile and skilled dribblers, shooters, and basket scorers!

Our team played well at the CBSE cluster -VIII NATIONALS held from 16th to 20th November at DPS-Rajnandgoan, Chhattisgarh.

NAFL conducted their Inter-school Football tournament Chairman's Cup on 3rd and 4th November

Our U 18 Boys team was the champion. **Nandin Thakare (11C)** was awarded the Best Defender award. **Abaan Khan (12B)** was awarded the Best Striker award. **Rehan Shafeek (12C)** was awarded the Best Goalkeeper award. Our U18 Girls team was the winner. **Anushka Mehra (10A)** was awarded the Best Goalkeeper award.





MAJOR EVENTS

Triennial Science Expo KHOJ- 2023

Students of NPS Koramangala, celebrated the spirit of scientific enquiry and explored a world of exciting possibilities in the triennial science expo, KHOJ- 2023 themed 'Science and Society' on 10th November 2023 in the school premises.

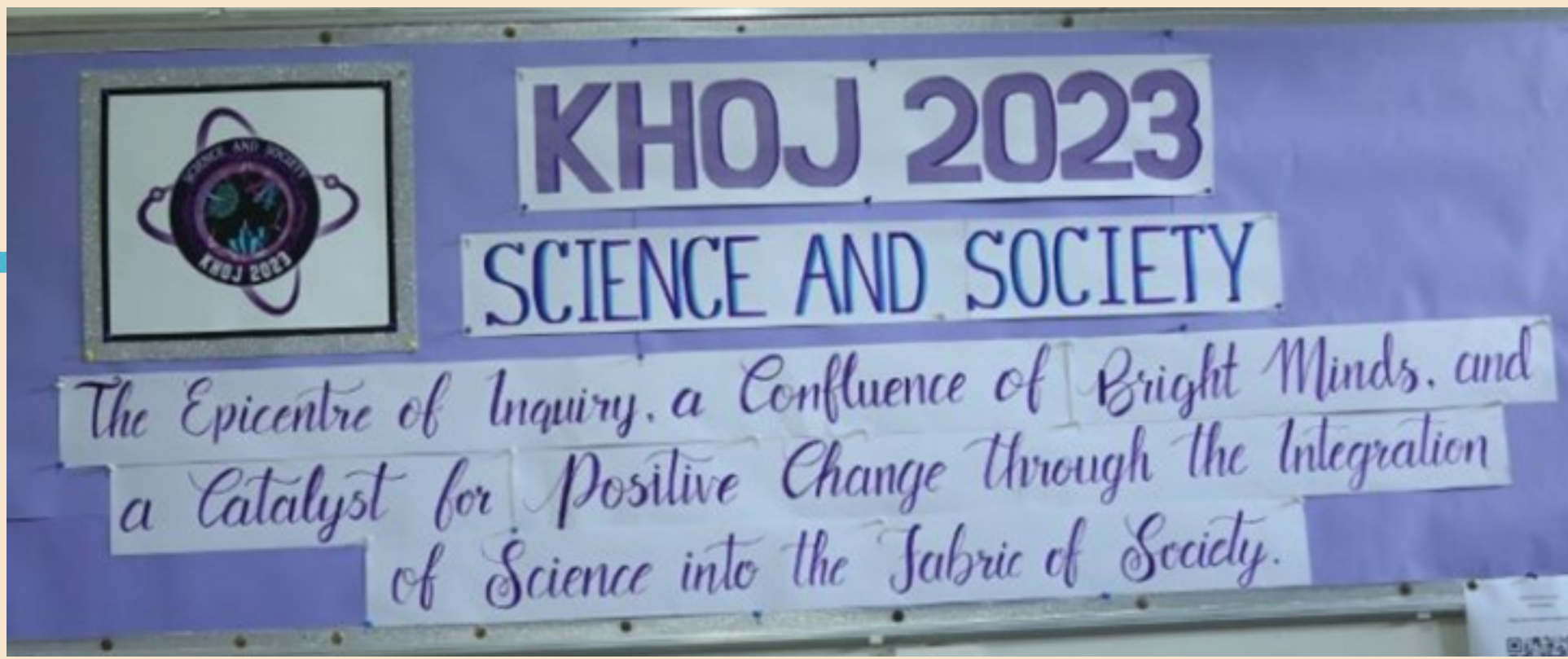
The Vice Chairperson of NPS Group of Schools, Dr. Bindu Hari, accompanied by the Principal Ms. Jyotsna Nair, lit the auspicious lamp to the mellifluous tunes of the invocation song and declared the expo open. Traversing through the realms of physics, chemistry, biology, computer science, and mathematics, students from Grades 6-10 investigated the wonders and mysteries of the unknown. Through 121 live, hands-on research projects, the young scientists explored contemporary challenges and possible solutions to benefit society, conserve nature, and innovate for a better future.

The young researchers worked zealously using scientific methods, from asking a question to establishing a hypothesis and from observations to presenting the findings. Among a range of creatively made models, and experiments were the Trajectory and functions of Chandrayaan 3 (3D model), working of a high bypass turbofan jet engine, Text to Braille translator, investigation of adulteration, a solar power farm, the model of dream city, ocean conservation, an indigenous and extremely cost-effective oven, a handmade telescope and many more.

Guests, judges, students from sister schools, parents, and grandparents hopped from one exhibit to another learning about unexpected applications of the principles of Physics, to uncovering the science behind DNA modification to cure diseases; from being mesmerized by the brilliant bonds of Chemistry, to decoding Math in the labyrinth of numbers, while mastering the complex art of Coding.

Innovative experiments, lucid explanations of scientific patterns by confident speakers, creative depiction of various tricky concepts through elaborate charts and models, throughout the corridors and classrooms captivated the inquisitive spectators.

The exhibits were judged based on originality and innovativeness; scalability and utility for society; concept clarity; cost-effectiveness; and presentation. Two teams across each grade were declared winners. A total of 24 teams presented their projects at the fair.





SCIENCE FAIR



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CHILDREN'S DAY

Children are like buds in a garden and should be carefully and lovingly nurtured, as they are the future of the nation and the citizens of tomorrow. - Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru

On the blissful occasion of Children's Day, celebrated on 16th November 2023, NPS Koramangala resonated with the magic of a vast array of vibrant performances, showcasing a display reminiscent of Jawaharlal Nehru's insightful words. The day unfolded as a celebration of storytelling, connecting hearts and minds through captivating performances put forth by the teachers for their cherished children. All-level faculty members, admin, and support staff orchestrated a medley of performances that encapsulated the essence of Indian culture, producing an event that transcended entertainment, delving into the very spirit of Children's Day.



With a divine invocation in the form of a Mohiniattam dance, began the cultural extravaganza which was followed by a mesmerizing Bharatanatyam performance. Our traditional folklore came alive in vivid hues as the majestic Yakshagana dance unfolded, depicting the Dashavatara with an emphasis on the Varaha avatar of Lord Vishnu. The stage then reverberated with old Bollywood melodies during a group song, inviting the audience to join in, and fostering a sense of collective joy and nostalgia. Following the musical rendition, 'The Dynamic Duo' presented a fusion of hip-hop and Bollywood, uniting the two vastly different genres seamlessly.



The Early-year teachers embarked on a unique venture, presenting "The Real Reel", a playful take on Instagram reels, showcasing their camaraderie in a light-hearted manner. Subsequently, a harmonious classical group dance transported everyone to a realm of grace and symmetry, demonstrating the beauty of unity in diversity. An energetic dance number, performed by the support staff, affectionately known as 'Akkas,' beautifully expressed their love for the children they nurture. The primary-year teachers enchanted the audience with a folk dance that conveyed the simple yet profound message of cherishing the present moment.



The audience was also given a rare glimpse into the childhoods of their beloved teachers via a nostalgic fashion show, displaying long-lost memories captured on film, with graceful runway walks by the teachers. Next came the soulful renditions of Sufi songs that captured the essence of emotional storytelling through music. The crescendo of the event was a medley displaying various regional dances - Bihu, Rouf, Garba, and Bhangra- culminating in an unexpected delight as all the teachers along with the Principal, Ms. Jyotsna Nair joined the dance, spreading joy and uniting the school community in an unforgettable moment of celebration.





KANNADA RAJYOTSAVA CELEBRATION

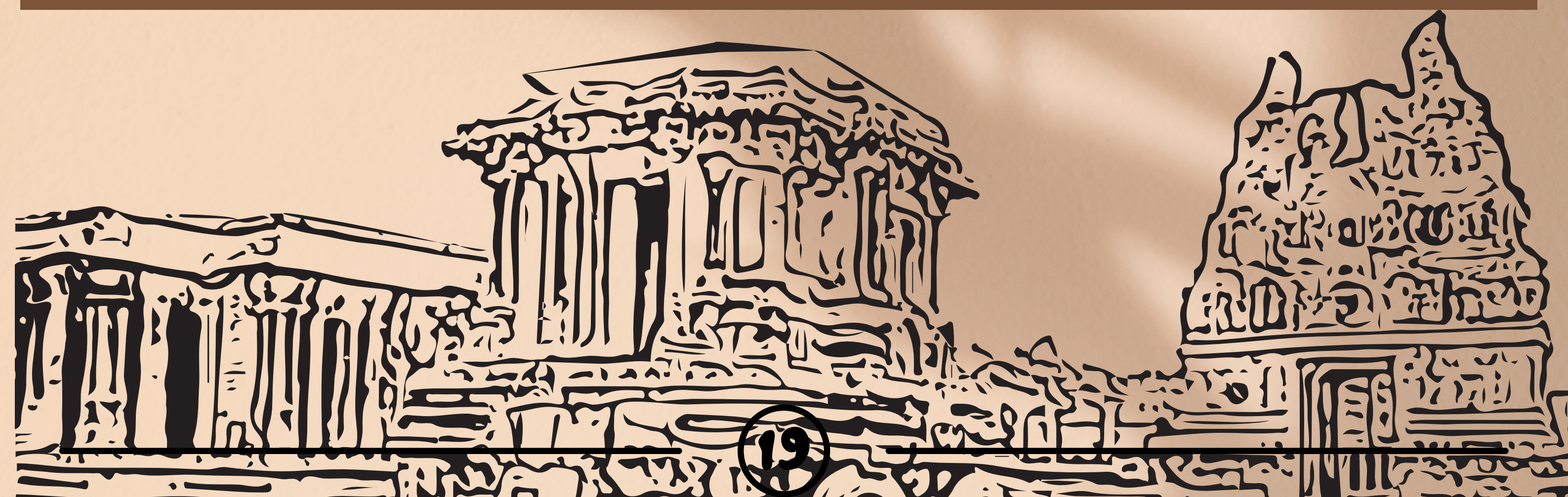
On the golden jubilee year of the formation of Karnataka, NPS KRM celebrated Kannada Rajyotsava on 3rd November 2023 with a difference. The auspicious unveiling of Hombale, the coconut blossom by the Principal Ms. Jyotsna Nair was symbolic of the blossoming personalities of kids nurtured with values, principles, and quality education.

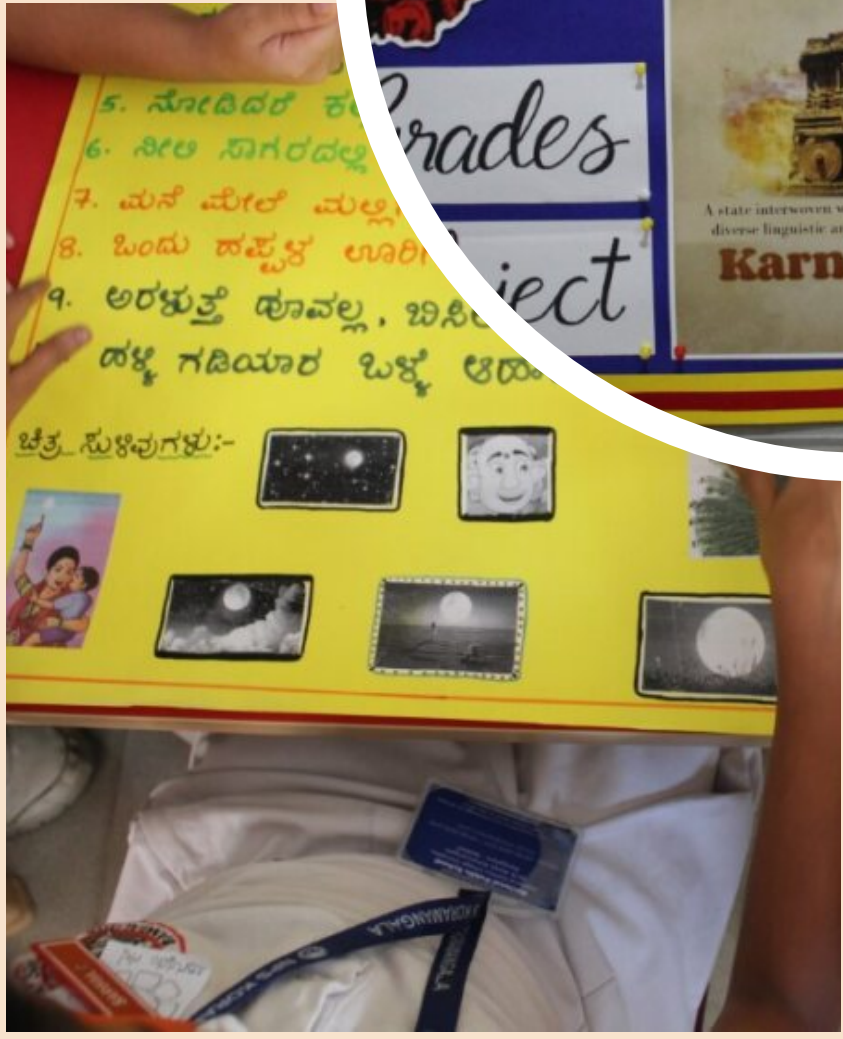
Fun Learning Centers were created by the students of Grade 7 with the help of Kannada language teachers, to showcase, experience, and relish the vibrant culture of Karnataka. It was the first step in embracing Kannada language with love. These Fun Learning Centers were also part of the pilot project called Visible Learning, envisioned by Vice Chairperson, NPS Group of Schools, Dr. Bindu Hari, and hosted by Grade 7 students for Grade 6 students.

Word puzzles, guessing proverbs, and solving riddles tickled the brain, enhancing critical thinking skills. Indigenous games like Bale aata, Kaddiaat, and Chaukabara, that develop fine motor skills, were a big hit. The rhythmic, repetitive movements of traditional art and crafts like garland, wick, and toran-making help boost our powers of concentration, akin to the positive effects of meditation. An interesting map reading activity helped improve students' geographical awareness of the state of Karnataka.

The highlights of the learning centre were the eye-catching exhibits on display that included copper utensils used by people of yore, Dussehra dolls showcasing jambusavari and sarees unique to Karnataka such as Mysore silk, Ilakal, Monakalnoor, the Topu musuku saree of Dharwad, the Khun saree of Bijapur and Bagalkot. A traditional chappara of coconut leaves and a miniature madhve mandapa made of banana stem were an added attraction.

Enhancing knowledge and understanding of a region's culture is the best way to instill a deep love for the language as well.





INTER-HOUSE COMPETITIONS- SENIOR SCHOOL

Literary Club

"We are all storytellers. We all live in a network of stories. There isn't a stronger connection between people than storytelling." -Jimmy Neil Smith

The inter-house literary event for Grades 9-12, held on 27th October 2023 explored the boundaries of storytelling. Participants created intricate book or movie plot ideas, weaving together diverse genres, abstract words, and the distinctive styles of celebrated authors.

Within a time limit of 3.30 minutes, teams passionately pitched their ideas to a panel of judges, who evaluated each plot as publishers or producers. The judges posed complex questions, testing participants' abilities to present their thoughts eloquently while thinking creatively.

After an intense and captivating contest, the Pioneers emerged victorious with their moving narrative, inspired by the essence of John Green's work. Following closely, the Voyagers were the runners-up, while the Explorers bagged the third place.



INTER-HOUSE COMPETITIONS- SENIOR SCHOOL PERFORMING ARTS CLUB

The inter-house group dance competition held on 17th November, 2023, was a spectacular display of talent, creativity, and coordination. Well organised by the performing arts club student in-charges, the event saw enthusiastic participation from all the Houses. Each House was represented by 6-8 students who showcased their skills in classical and western dance forms culminating in a mesmerizing freestyle performance. The competition was judged by two in-house trained classical dancers, Ms. Jyothilakshmi and Ms. Veena Pillai. Both judges are renowned for their graceful performances, bringing a wealth of experience and expertise to the evaluation process. After careful deliberation, judges announced the following results: Voyagers stood first, Explorers came second, and Pioneers took the third place. Congratulations to all the Houses for their outstanding performances.



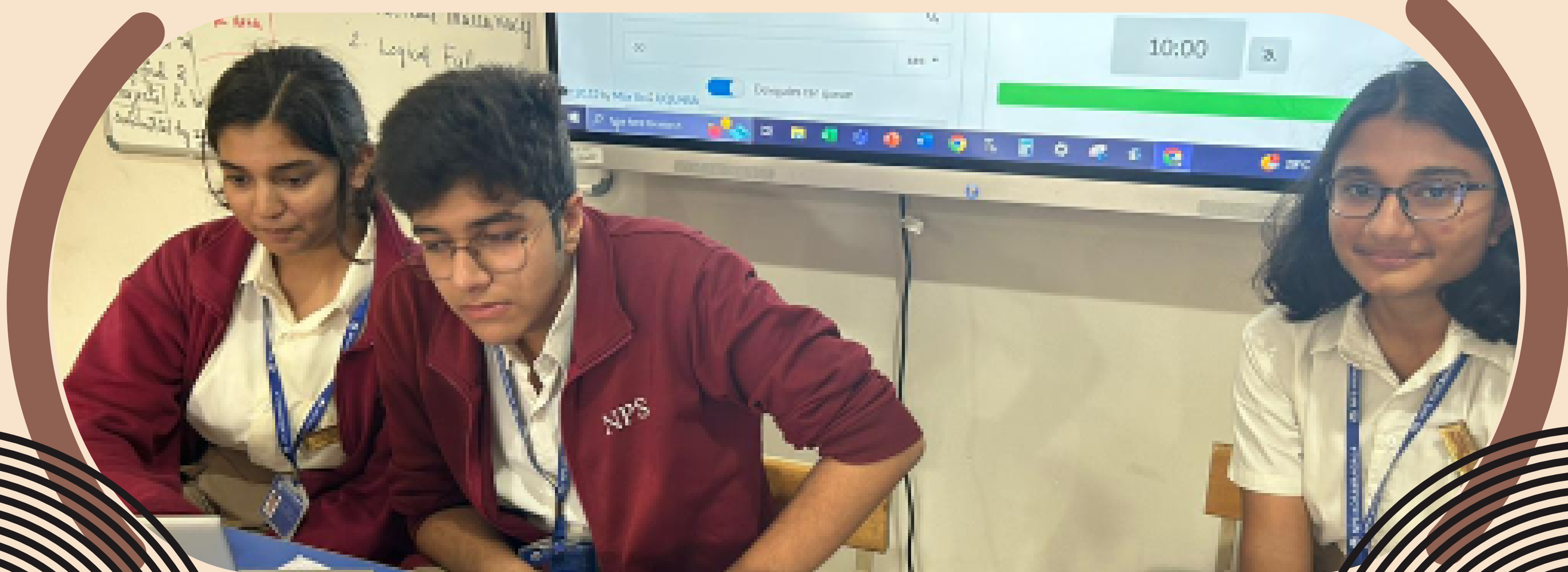
INTER-HOUSE COMPETITIONS

MUN CLUB

The Interhouse Model UN was held on the 18th November 2023. There were two committees--- All India Political Parties Meet (AIPPM) and the Historical Crisis Committee (HCC).

AIPPM was organised for Grades 7-8. The agenda for debate was the Uniform Civil Code, for Article 44 of the Indian Constitution. After hours of debate and discussion, **Sreyan Panda (8B)**, **Sachit Bhujang (8B)**, and **Nandika Mittal (8B)** secured first, second, and third place respectively. Special mentions were awarded to **Sneho Roy (7C)**, **Abhinav Anand (7C)**, and **Anvay Varshney (7C)**.

HCC was open to all students of Grades 9-12. This committee was set in 1962, at the peak of the Cuban Missile Crisis. The top delegates were **Rishi Rajesh (11A)**, **Arjun Sahai (9A)**, and **Nishant Ray (10A)**, who secured the first, second and third place respectively. Special mentions were awarded to **Rohan Jose (11B)** and **Mukund Rathi (9A)**.



INTER-HOUSE COMPETITIONS- SENIOR SCHOOL

DRAMATICS CLUB

The inter-house dramatics event, Façade, held on 24th November 2023 was a show of powerfully gripping performances. The participants came together and presented a modern rendition of the classic fairy tale - Vikram and Betal or Akbar and Birbal. Each House adapted the timeless classics to wonderfully depict social issues like gender bias, casteism, pollution and parental pressure through drama.

The enactments were judged by Mr. Venkataraghavan, a writer, actor, and director, and Mr. Vinay Dhruvakumar who is a trained actor and has appeared in multiple films and serials.



The Results

The Pioneers- First place
Voyagers - Second place
Explorers - Third place

INTER-HOUSE COMPETITIONS- MIDDLE SCHOOL

DRAMATICS CLUB

The Inter-house Dramatics event saw some of the compelling performances on 27th November 2023. Participants, inspired by characters from different media sources like movies, TV shows, books, video games, etc., weaved a story around the chosen characters. They regaled the audience by their electric performances that represented the personalities, character traits, and backgrounds of the chosen media persona.

The event was judged by Ms. Usha UK, in-charge Dramatics Club, and Ms. Preetha Menon, HoD Maths Department. It was an opportunity for the participants to unleash their creativity and acting prowess.

The Pioneers won the first place consisting of **Ahil G (8A)**, **Saanvi L (8C)**, **Kriti S (6B)** and **Renee R (7C)**. The runners up were the Voyagers their team consisted of **Isheetta N (8C)**, **Aryaman N (7A)**, **Vrite D (6B)** and **Ayush R. (8A)** The third place was bagged by the Explorers consisting of **Roshini DN (6C)**, **Nandika M (8B)**, **Siri S (7B)** and **Vihaan M (7A)**.



PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

CHALLENGERS



A Mesmerized Audience

EXPLORERS



The Court is my Sanctuary

VOYAGERS



Tiranga in my Vision

PIONEERS



My soul sings in dance



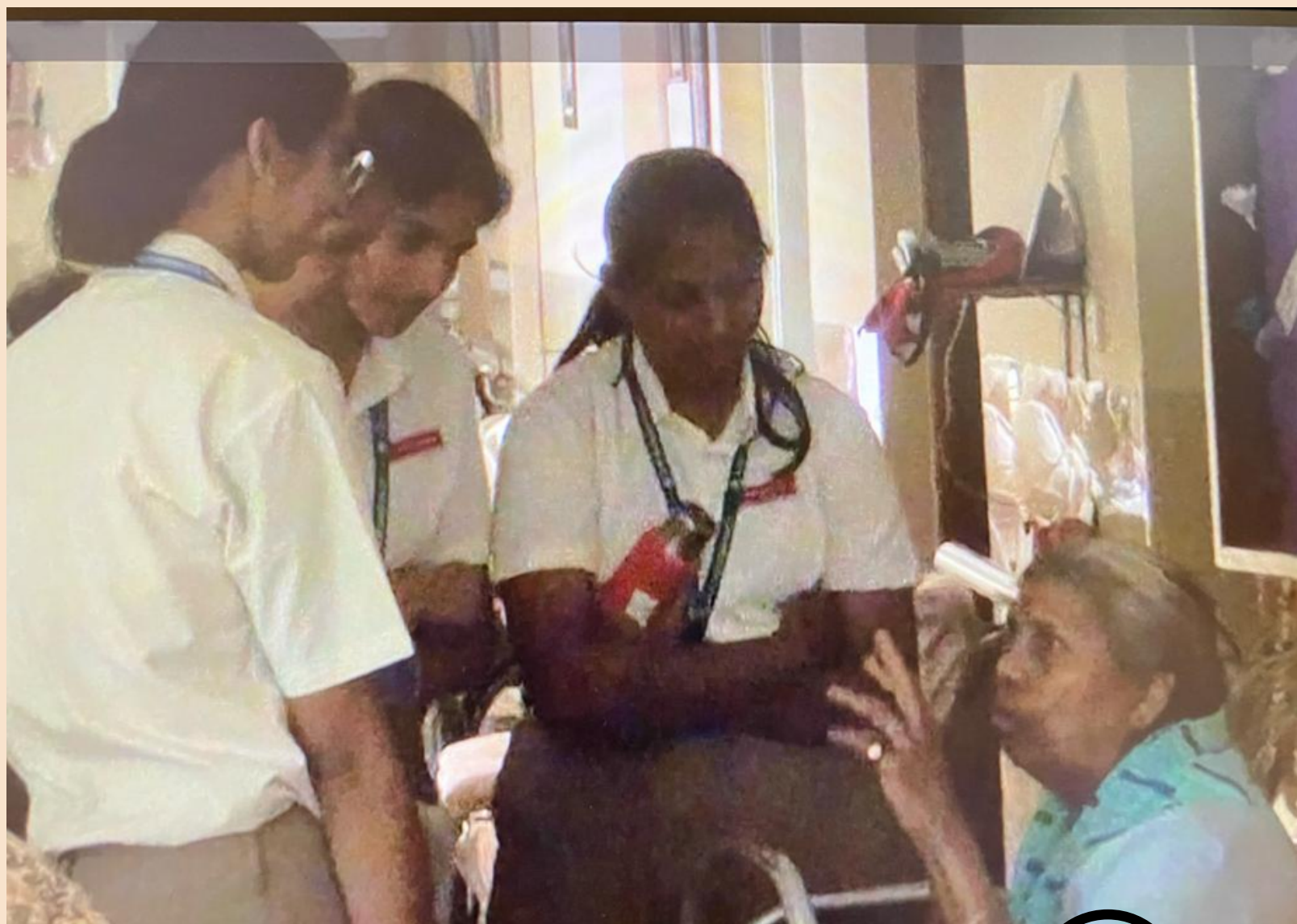
INTER-HOUSE SPORTS

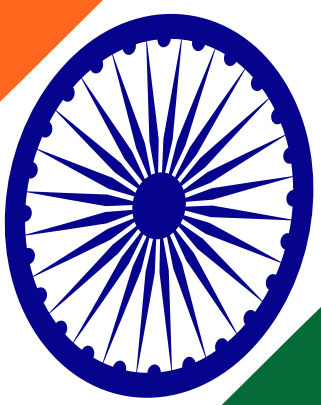
From 11th- 24th November, several Interhouse sports were conducted for the students from Grades 9-12. The sports conducted included basketball, volleyball, throwball, cricket, badminton, athletics and carrom.



COMMUNITY SERVICE

Students of Grades 10A and 10B visited The Little Sisters of the Poor, an old age home, on 15th November and 23rd November respectively as a part of their SEWA (Social Empowerment through Work Education and Action) activity. Students spent the preceding weeks constructing a brief and simple performance to entertain the residents. While being given a tour, the students were familiarised with the processes, principles, and guidelines of the well-maintained facility where the aged, extremely poor, and abandoned people are given shelter. The aged were engaged in recreational activities such as cooking, tailoring and watching TV. Students interacted, played a game, and sang for the residents which they enjoyed listening to. Students had a wholesome experience. The visit sensitized them to the needs of this section of society and inspired them to help those around them, in their family and the society.





OTHER EVENTS

GRADE 8A-ASSEMBLY



The students of Grade 8A presented their assembly on 22nd November on the topic, 'La Frinde - Beauty in Diversity' which was a successful attempt to showcase the rich hues of French culture- their music, dance, food, and prominent personalities. The day started off with an enlightening speech on art by the mathematics and science faculty member, Ms. Preetha Nair. The assembly featured the adorable Mr. Bean visiting France and Mr. Jacques Clouseau (eminent detective from Pink Panther) showing him around and relishing the cuisine and culture of the beautiful country. The talented presenters captivated the audience with a brain-tickling quiz, modeling as the French personalities, entertaining dances, and French songs. Thought-provoking speeches on Indo-French relations were enlightening. A medley of songs including Non, je ne regrette rien, Tourner dans le vide, and a few more were enthralling. It was a fun-filled learning experience for the entire class and the audience as well.



NAMASTE!
bonjour



GRADE 8B CLASS- ASSEMBLY

The students of Grade 8B conducted their class assembly to commemorate the adoption of the Constitution of India on the occasion of Constitution Day on 29th November 2023. The assembly commenced with a Thought for the Day followed by an engaging courtroom drama on the Right to Education. An eloquent and informative speech highlighted the significance of the day. The Preamble of our Constitution, based on the 'Objective Resolution' was read and the oath was administered to all the audience. The assembly culminated with captivating dance and song renditions, instilling a sense of patriotism and an awareness to abide by the Constitution of India.

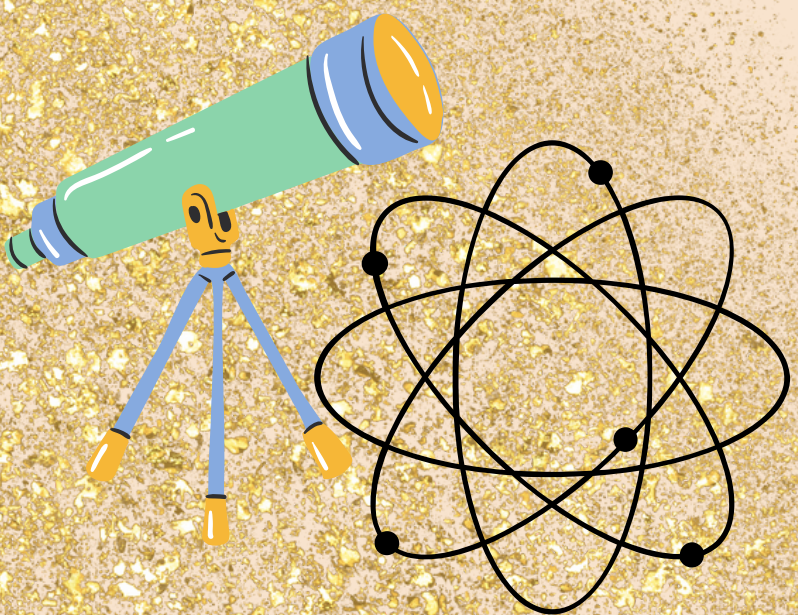


GARDE 11 ISRO TRIP

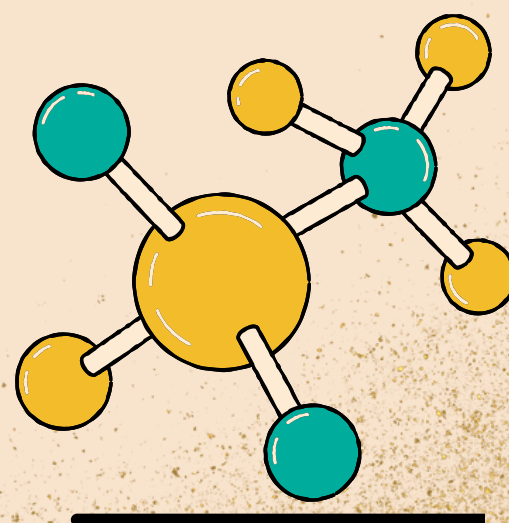


Students of Grade 11 visited the U. R Rao Satellite Centre on 23rd November 2023. They were familiarised with the workings of ADITYA L-1 satellite and upcoming missions of ISRO including Gaganyaan and NISAR satellite. They also watched an inspirational short film on the successful Chandrayaan-3 mission.

Through a 2-inch-thick glass, the curious group witnessed the next Earth-orbiting satellites being built at the centre. Watching the scaled-down models of all satellites and rockets developed by ISRO in the museum was an enriching experience. Aryabhata to Chandrayaan-3, students thoroughly enjoyed ISRO's journey from its humble beginnings to the present status.



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FIELD TRIP

Grade 7 students enjoyed a day filled with fun, games, and scrumptious food on 23rd November 2023 at Royal Orchid Resort & Convention Centre, Yelahanka. Students made the most of the day and the facility by indulging in indoor, and outdoor games, as well as various enriching team- building activities curated for them by the trip organisers.



CAREER COUNSELING

Ahmedabad University

Liberal education is highly relevant in today's education world. It's a well-rounded approach to learning that encourages critical thinking and creativity. As part of our college and career counseling program, UDAAN, Mr. Parth Sarwate, Director, Office of Undergraduate Admissions and Financial Aid, Ahmedabad University addressed the students of Grades 9,10, and 12 on 26th October 2023, familiarizing them with the aim of liberal education which is to provide the students with a broad intellectual foundation by studying human cultures, natural and physical sciences, and analytical problems.

The Interdisciplinary curriculum, experiential learning environment, and research that define an Ahmedabad education were discussed in the interactive session. Mr. Sarwate also highlighted how and why liberal education is a valuable choice for students in this VUCA world. Post-presentation, students' questions were answered by the speaker.



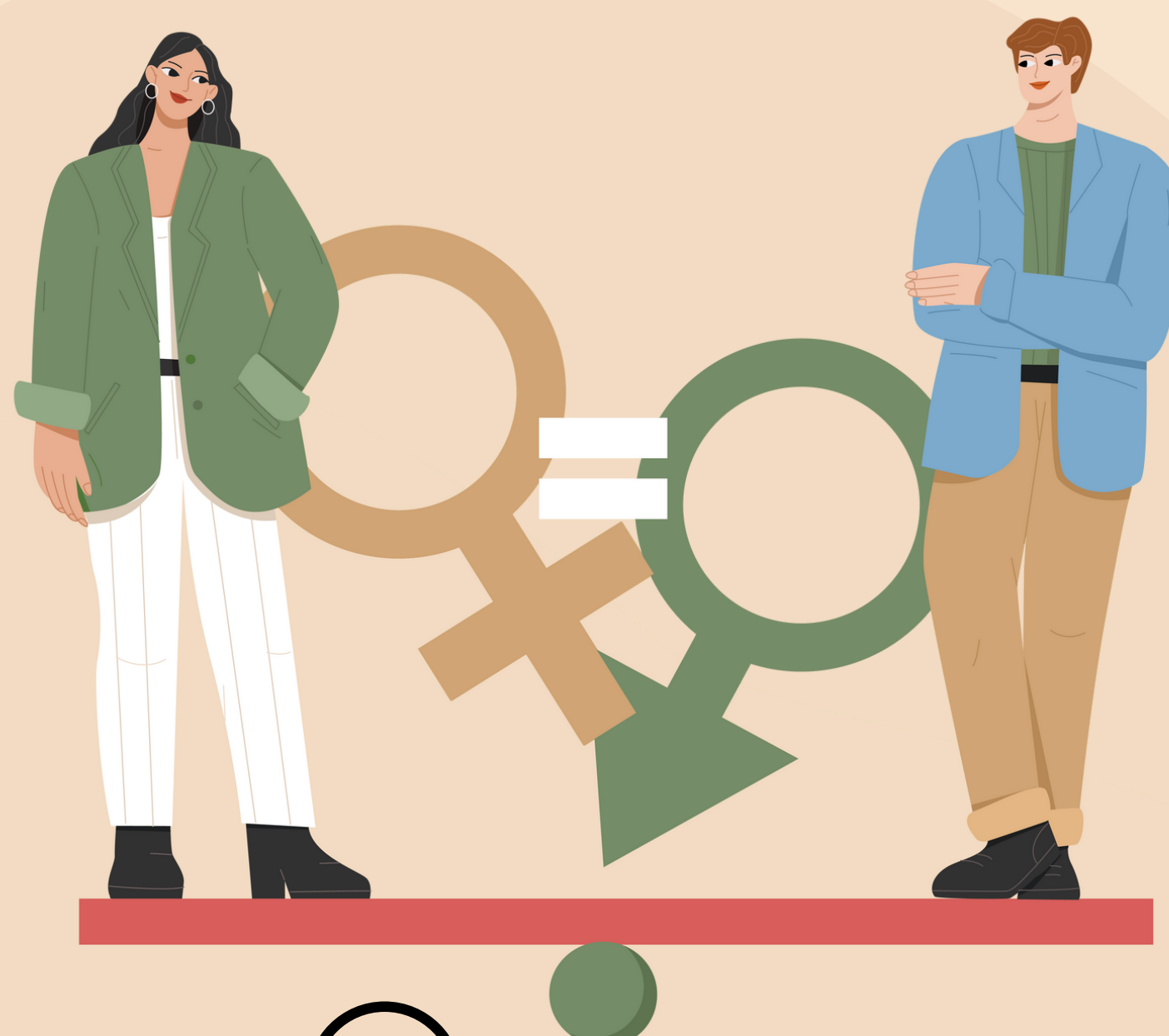
Session by Pratham IIFM

A second online session of career counseling for the students of Grades 9-11 was conducted by Mr. Praveen Khanna, mentor at Pratham IIFM on 28th November 2023. The presentation focused on building resilience, facing challenges (and predicting them), portfolio creation, its process, and the importance and process of networking. Mr. Khanna shared valuable resources and explained their usage and value in terms of building a portfolio. Participants' queries were also answered.

SESSION ON GENDER, EQUITY, SEXUALITY, AND PERSONAL SAFETY FOR PARENTS

On 7th October an online session was conducted by Dr Sangeeta Saksena from 'Enfold', a non-profit Proactive Health Trust, on gender, equity, sexuality, and personal safety for the parents of Grades 5-9. The interactive session helped parents to clarify their doubts and misconceptions. Parents benefitted from knowing how to raise these sensitive topics with their children while building a relationship of trust and nudging them to the right path. Live sessions on the same topics will be conducted for the students in the second week of December.

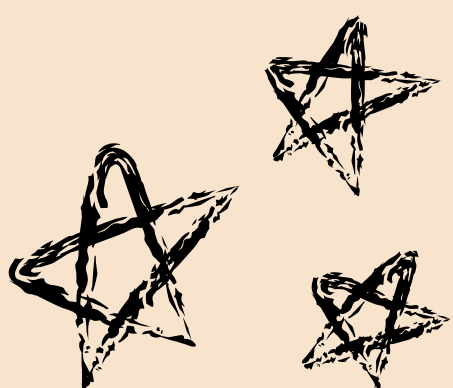
In this direction, a CBSE workshop was conducted for the teachers of all levels on 19th November 2023 with an objective to sensitize and empower the educators to help them make the school a gender-sensitive and safe place.

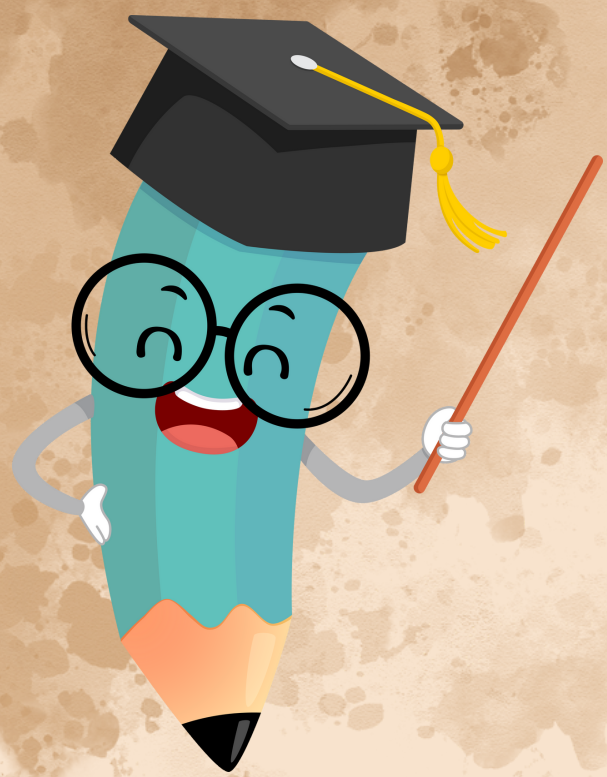


TEACHER SPEAK

This is the story of a little boy named Sumant who lived in Pune. He had a great love for cars and spent hours watching them on the road. His dream was to design his own vehicle one day. Sumant's father was a mechanic, and he taught Sumant everything he knew about cars. Sumant was a quick learner, and he soon became an expert on the inner workings of cars. When Sumant was 16 years old, he built his first car. It was a small, simple car, but it was a work of art to Sumant. He drove the car around the neighborhood, and he was so proud of it. After high school, Sumant went to college to study engineering. He knew that he wanted to work in the automobile industry, and he wanted to design cars that would make a difference in the world.

After college, Sumant got a job at Tata Motors. He was assigned to a team that was tasked with designing a new type of vehicle. Sumant was excited about the challenge, but he knew it would be difficult. The Indian automobile industry faced many challenges, including high costs, limited infrastructure, and pricesensitive customers. Sumant worked hard on the project, but he kept running into problems. Fate seemed to conspire against him: "Too heavy, Sumant, rejected. Too pricey, Sumant, rejected. Too slow, Sumant, rejected."





As days turned into weeks, and weeks into months, Sumant's spirit began to falter. Sumant was frustrated with his work on the new vehicle. He felt like he was not getting anywhere. His dreams were crushed under the weight of disappointment. One day, Sumant decided to have lunch at a dhaba, where he encountered a group

of truck drivers. Intrigued, he joined them, eager to hear their stories and understand their experiences. In that eye-opening moment, he realized that he had been designing the vehicle solely from his own perspective, detached from the needs of those who would actually use it. Taking their feedback to heart, Sumant embarked on a journey of redesign. The result was a remarkable success: a vehicle that was light, fast, and affordable. The vehicle you see on the screen was born. Do you know the name of the vehicle? It is the TATA SUMO. The Tata Sumo was a huge success, and it helped Tata Motors to become one of the leading automobile manufacturers in India. And do you know how the vehicle got its name? The "Su" in "Sumo" stands for Sumant, and the "Mo" stands for Moolgaokar, making it a brand name that serves as the biggest corporate tribute paid by any company to its executive. Sumant Moolgaokar came to be renowned as the architect of Tata Motors and earned many accolades throughout his career, culminating in the Padma Bhushan in 1990. Sumant's unwavering belief in the power of perseverance became his guiding light through the darkest of times. Failure after failure, setback after setback, he persisted, undeterred by the odds stacked against him. I stand before you today to celebrate the triumph of Sumant, a testament to the power of resilience. Against all odds, he defied the naysayers, the doubters, and the inner voices of self-doubt. If you aspire to achieve your goals, you mustn't give up. Regardless of how difficult things may become, you must keep pushing forward. No matter how challenging the journey may be, keep going. With perseverance, you can accomplish anything you set your mind to.

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