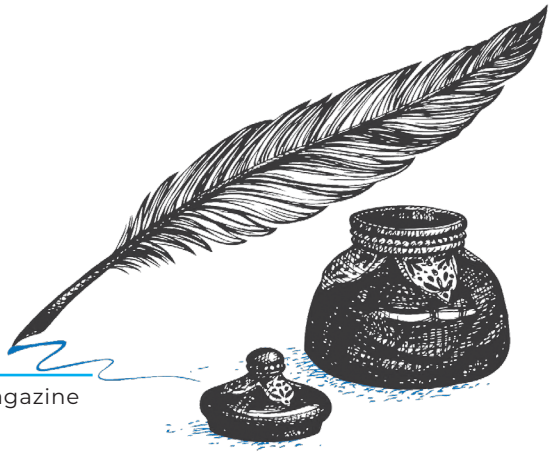
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From the Management

We began this year with 'Good News' – a practice initiated by our Principal where staff and students look for positive news (as opposed to the sensational and mostly negative news that dominates the media), and share it with the entire school at the morning assembly. The overwhelming response even spilled into the media with one of our alumni reporting it in the newspaper. In the same vein we will begin this issue with 'good news' from Geethaanjali over the past year. However, as is always the case with Geethaanjali, there is an abundance of good news and this article cannot do justice to all the achievements of our students and staff. So hopefully this summary will suffice.

While even being placed in the top 10 CBSE schools in the country for the board exams is a difficult achievement, Geethaanjali was # 1 on the list for Class XII board results. Our practices and support systems put academic performance as the top priority, and I am sure we will continue to appear on this list for 10th and 12th, many more times in the future. *

Our focus on all-round development is evident, not only in the numerous sports and co-curricular cultural events that our students participated in during the past year, but in the number of accolades and awards they received at the national level and overall championships won. National level gold in triple jump along with medals and victories in Archery, Swimming, Shooting, and Chess to mention a few outstanding sports performances. Individual and Overall champions in a wide array of cultural events including Literary fests, Art and Drawing, Storytelling, Debates and Elocution, Essay writing, Dance (Western, Folk/Traditional and Classical) and even Villupattu. *

Our impetus to bridge the gap between school learning and the real world is reinforced by Industry Visits and Tours organised at Geethaanjali. From visits to the botanical garden by KG and Primary students to turmeric markets, textile units, SIPCOT and even archaeological sites, this year was a great success on this front. *

From the management's side we have initiated three important programs this year. One, the desilting and maintenance of the Palanigoundapalayam lake to help Erode district with its water conservation project. Two, a new program to continuously evaluate, train and improve the standard of spoken English across the school to make our school's English standards comparable to the rest of the world. Third, the implementation of a new online system to augment our skill-based learning program. This will track student performance over the years and prove to be a platform for parents and students to receive personalised feedback and help in course and career choices. *

* Read on for more details.

-MANAGEMENT

From the Principal

At Geethaanjali, we use a variety of innovative instructional approaches in classrooms such as role-plays, story narrations, workshops, seminars, group discussions, brainstorming sessions, etc. to instil a love for learning. This approach naturally distinguishes the learning for all, to meet the individual needs of each child and to challenge them to be their best. Our prime goal is not only to promote knowledge, but more essentially, to inspire our children to live their life happily. We strive for them to be ingenious problem solvers and proficient communicators. We have great many programs which enrich their skills related to arts, music, physical well-being, science and sports. We focus on enhancing their ability to think critically and creatively, transforming them to be empathetic and compassionate towards society. The road towards being a responsible human starts quite early. It may not be easy at all the times, but it's our endeavour to guide them to reach their destinations successfully with the learnings that we impart in their routine.

Geethaanjali aims to open up new avenues for our children to discover and express their innate talents in several ways. Opportunity to take up journalistic tasks in school through the student's involvement for our school magazine motivates them who have a rational vision. Here, we have a narrative of events and also a medium for students to review what happens in the school, which fundamentally is theirs. Creators, analysts, writers, editors, critics, artists, photojournalists, computer wizards – all get together in a collaborative spirit.

I heartily appreciate the passion, excitement and the strength of the team of teachers and my children to bring out this issue in a way every reader will take this as an instrument for inspiration.

-SUBBULAKSHMI VALLINAYAGAM

From the Editor

We live in a beautiful world that is full of joy, charm and adventure. When we have our mind & eyes wide open, there is no end for venturing these adventures. In this majestic world, Geethaanjali stands as an icon of innovation. Life without liberty is like a body without soul. We are let free with responsibility in every act of ours. This obligation moulds us into a better person every day. Being unique makes us irreplaceable and incomparable in this ever dynamic society.

Writing is indeed a great exploration. We start from nothing and we learn as we go ahead. Here, we proudly present you the second edition of "THINK". It's a collaboration of the artistic works of young minds of Geethaanjali. Strong minds will always have good ideas, which when let out becomes great ideas. As you turn over, you'll discover these great ideas of the strong minds of our family. "THINK" served as a tool to provide the budding teens with the opportunity to become aware of their own capabilities and potentials.

The efforts taken by each one of the organizing committee members to bring out the glimpse of our incredible accomplishments is really appreciable. Every single writer has taken remarkable efforts to pen down their thoughts. We have given life to the words and showed how deep and heavy our emotions are. Here feelings only matter, words are just a medium to express it.

There's a bountiful power in words when we explain, describe, articulate, feel, believe about ourselves and the world. Let's step into the shoes of the writers and get the real essence of those powerful words. We guarantee that something very magical will happen as you read the testimony of our authentic work, "THINK".

-MITHULA V M & RIYASAKTHI V

COVER STORY



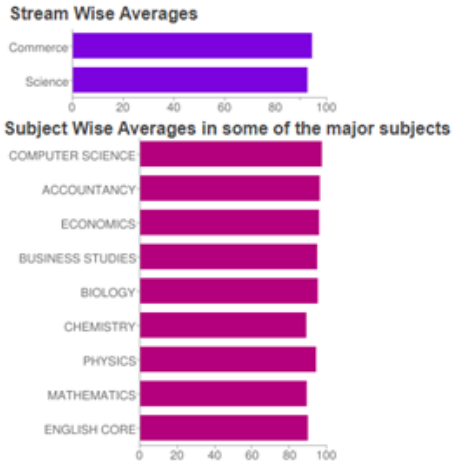
Doodle Courtesy : Rithani Priyankha J
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The simple art of contemporary drawing has always been concerned with dynamic styles of making strokes. Artists use different forms of art to express their thoughts which are created with paint, done as sketches and even expressed as doodles. Doodles allow boundless imagination to design something intuitively, where one is not quite sure about how it is going to be, but feels good about what is done. The surrealistic doodle uses the shades of black and white to represent uncountable words that come out of the soul. The more feelings put into work, the more it becomes expressive and exciting, carrying a deep meaning. When we have a closer look on the doodle in the front page, we can instantly rejoice at all our school memories. This doodle is filled with all of our happiness, love and fun which we experience in our school. We have tried to depict the best part of our life as an embodiment through our work of art.

Nation-wide 1st rank in Class 12 results!

We proudly announce that Geethaanjali was placed 1st among all CBSE schools across India and will continue to win the confidence of people and be one of the renowned schools in Erode district.

Based on an independent analysis by Learning Point, which accumulates and processes nation-wide data from CBSE and ICSE schools.



Top CBSE schools based on Class 12 exam results.

	Average	Median	Candidates
GEETHANJALI ALL INDIA SEC SCHOOL THINDAL ERODE	93.6	94.2	29
BHAVANS VIDYALAYA SECTOR 27B CHANDIGARH	92.3	94	186
D A V GIRLS SR SEC SCHOOL LLOYDS ROAD CHENNAI TN	91.9	93.4	117
CHINMAYA INT RES SCH NALLURVAYAL COIMBATORE TN	91.6	92.2	48
NATIONAL PUBLIC SCHOOL HSR LAYOUT BANGALORE KK	91.4	93.2	65
D A V SR SEC SCHOOL MOGAPPAIR CHENNAI TN	91	93	88
VIDHYA NIKETAN PUB SCH PULIAKULAM RD COIMBATORE	90.9	90.7	38
NATIONAL PUB SCH KORAMANGALA BANGALORE KK	90.8	92.2	73
SRI KUMARAN CHILDRENS HOME SCHOOL BANGALORE KK	90.7	92.2	173
MAHARISHI VIDYA MANDIR CHETPET CHENNAI TN	90.2	92.8	418
CHINMAYA VIDYALAYA VIRUGAMBAKKAM CHENNAI TN	90.1	91.4	81
DAV SR SECONDARY SCHOOL MOGAPPAIR CHENNAI TN	89.9	91.4	151
D A V BOYS SR SEC SCHOOL LLOYDS ROAD CHENNAI TN	89.9	92.8	162
STEP BY STEP SCH SEC132 TAJ EXPRESSWAY G B NGR	89.5	90.5	84
SCINDIA KANYA VIDYALAYA MOTIMAHAL RD GWALIOR M P	89.2	91	57

https://www.thelearningpoint.net/home/examination-results-2017/top-cbse-schools-based-on-exam-results-of-2017

Candidates:	29
Average Percentage Score:	93.593
Median Percentage Score:	94.2
Highest Percentage Score: (Topper)	97.4
Percentage of Class Scoring 80% and above:	100.0
Stream Wise Performance	
Science - Avg %Score:	92.3
Commerce - Avg %Score:	94.086
Comprehensive Subject-Wise Performance	
ENGLISH CORE - Avg % Score:	89.7
MATHEMATICS - Avg % Score:	89.1
PHYSICS - Avg % Score:	94.1
CHEMISTRY - Avg % Score:	88.9
BIOLOGY - Avg % Score:	95.0
BUSINESS STUDIES - Avg % Score:	94.7
ECONOMICS - Avg % Score:	95.7
ACCOUNTANCY - Avg % Score:	96.1
COMPUTER SCIENCE - Avg % Score:	97.2

http://www.thelearningpoint.net/home/school-listings/cbse-14/GEETHAANJALI-ALL-INDIA-THINDAL--ERODE--TAMILNADU-1930209

GEETHAANJALIANS AROUND THE GLOBE

Adhi Parasakthi Dental College, Chennai
Adithya College of Design Studies, Mumbai
Amet University, Chennai
Amity University, Mumbai
Amrita University, Coimbatore
Anna Univ. School of Arch. & Plg., Chennai
Anna University, Chennai
Ateneu rio preto HS, Brazil
BKMajumdar Institue of Business - Administration, Ahmedabad University
CEBB Sao Jose do Rio Preto HS, Brazil
Chennai Medical College, Trichy
Christ University, Bangalore
Christian Medical College, Vellore
Coimbatore Institute of Technolgy
College of Agriculture , Pune
Crest Wood HS, USA
Crimea State Medical University, Ukrain
Curitiba HS, Brazil
Delhi University, Delhi
DG Vaishnav College, Chennai
DJ Insititute of Fashion Techonology, Cbe.
DKTE Textile & Engg. College, Maharashtra
Dr. MGR Edu. & Res. Inst. of Arch., Chennai
Ethiraj College, Chennai
GITAM University, Vizag
Govt. College of Engineering, Bargoor
Govt. College of Engineering, Coimbatore
Govt. Medical College, Karur
Govt. Med. College of Omanthurar, Chennai
Govt. Medical College, Nagercoil
Govt. Medical College, Tanjore
Guangxi Medical University, China
Gujraj Law Society University, Ahmedabad
HEC Liege Univerisity, Belgium
HL College of Commerce, Ahmedabad
HR College of Com & Eco, Mumbai
Indian Institute of Chartered Accountancy,
Indian Inst. of Company Secretaries of India
Indian Inst. of Management, Indore
Indian Inst. of Mass Comm., Kottayam
IIT, Chennai
IIT, Mumbai
Instituto Aguascalientes (Marista), Mexico
Jain University, Bangalore
Jansons Institute of Technology, Coimbatore
Karpagam College of Engg., Coimbatore
Karunya Institute of Technology, Coimbatore
Kansas University, USA
KSR Dental College, Tiruchengode
Kumaraguru College of Engg., Coimbatore
Lady Shriram College of Commerce, Delhi
Lovely Punjab University, Punjab
Loyola College, Chennai
Lycee Leonie de Waha, Belgium
M S Ramiah Insitute of Mgmt , Bangalore
Madras Christian College, Chennai
Madras Institute of Technology, Chennai
Madras Medical College, Chennai
Mahathma Gandhi Medical College & - Reseach Institute, Pondicherry
Manipal University - Engineering, Mangalore
Manipal University - Hotel Mgmt., Mangalore
Martin Homeopathy Med. & Hos., Coimbatore
Model Engineering College, Kochi
Mount Carmel College, Bangalore
National Inst. of Const. Mgmt. & Res., Pune
National Inst. of Fashion Tech., Bangalore
National Inst. of Fashion Tech., Chennai
National Inst. of Fashion Tech., Kannur
National Inst. of Fashion Tech., Pune
NIT, Trichy
NIT - Architecture, Hamirpur
Nehru Inst. of Engg. & Tech., Coimbatore
New Horizon College of Engg., Bangalore
Pavai College of Engineering, Namakkal
PSG Institute, Coimbatore
Raja Rajeswari Med. & Hospital, Bangalore
Ranganathan Archit. College, Coimbatore
RLS Institute of Designing, Bangalore
Sahrdaya College of Adv. Studies, Thrissur
Sastra University, Tanjore
Sathyabama Institure of Technology, Chennai
Shaheeed Rajguru College of App. Sci, Delhi
Shoolini University of Bio Technology of - Medical Science, Himachal Pradesh
Shri Ram College of Commerce, Delhi
Siddha Ganga Institute of technolgy, Tumkur
SNR College of Arts, Sci. & Tech., Coimbatore
SRM Univeristy, Chennai
Stella Maris College, Chennai
Symbiosis International University, Pune
TN Dr. Ambedkar Law University, Chennai
Tianjin Medical University, China
Trinity College of Music, London
University of Northern Phillipines, Phillipines
University Putra, Malaysia
Vardhaman College of Engg., Shamshadabad
Velammal Institute of Medical Science - Hospital & Research Institute, Madurai
VIT University, Bhopal
VIT, Vellore
Warsaw University of Technology, Poland
Women's Christian College, Chennai
Xinjiang Medical University, China

From the Alumni

I joined the school in Grade VI. I was little slow then, in all aspects, but as the years passed by, I had improved a little with the kindness and guidance of teachers. I have been in the 'Most Wanted Notorious List' too, but if at all severe actions were taken against me, now, I will not be in this position to draft this writing!

There was teaching along with fun during our school days. Schools in Andhra now follow Saturdays as No Books Day. But in our school, we implemented such innovations long before. I used to have a thought that school helps me in gaining only bookish knowledge. Nevertheless, it is the day I realised that my school has shaped me to face the outside world, is when I left from here to join university. I was able to communicate with everyone without fear, only because of my school. Now, I have given quite a number of public speeches, which all had started with the class seminars back then, which I hated those days. The school has given me thick friends and of course a family, is GAISSS. When I was at University, I had once come back to see everyone. It was all the same, yeah of course, the wall colours are now different! It was a different feeling to move around the place as an adult, where I was a child once.

Oh yeah! I remember that we were also taken to the Super Singer audition from school, though I was not a good singer. I don't believe it even now. I recollect a lot of good memories that made me think I do have abilities in all aspects. Well! I was not an excellent student, but the only thing my teachers made me realise is *"Never replicate what's in the book, do understand it and portray them in your own words"*. I think that has made me a medallist at my university. Really a worthy place to gain knowledge and experience!

"Acquiring knowledge is not a hard task, all you need to do is listen carefully". All the rest will fall into place. As a Geethaanjalian, you're all in the right place to move forward with good qualities and potential. I just think back to the days when our school circular with the words '(y)our children', which brought us closer to the School. I am happy that it still remains unchanged and forever will.

பாதை இதுதான் என்று காட்டவில்லை,
நாட்கள் இனிதே என்று போற்றவில்லை,
கவலையில்லா இடம் என்று எதுவும் இல்லை,
நேரங்களை இனிமையாய் நகர்த்தி செல்ல,
வாழ்க்கையை வாழ்ந்து பார்க்க,
கல்வியின் சிறப்பு இடத்தில் இல்லை,
கற்பிக்கும் ஆசிரியர் முறையில் என்பதை
கற்றுக்கொடுத்த தமிழ் ஐயாவிற்கும்
கீதாஞ்சலிக்கும் நன்றிகள் பல!

I never knew I could write a poem, but this place has made me something from nothing, for which I will always be thankful. Be the change, however small it may be, as long as it is a change for good.

By ungal DON (if you know me)
-Narayana Swamy S B, 2012 Batch

Whenever I look into my past, it rekindles the memory of my school days, which I repeatedly think of and cherish deep in my heart. Those were my eternal days filled with innocence, which remain ever vivid in my soul. Those nostalgias don't remain as a mere one, but it gleams within me as an immortal recollection that sparkles for eternity. Those drizzling nostalgic clouds have a memory in every drop. They involve my teachers, friends, love, hate, punishments, books, exams, excursions, festivals and celebrations. Whenever I visit Geethaanjali, it brings me the exhilaration with my close friends.

One's success in scholastic part alone doesn't make a true victory. The real triumph is defined by the sense of style and spirit in the way one involves oneself. My Geethaanjalian days have defined WHO I AM. I can still feel the lingering of those zeal packed experiences of insight, deep within; that's the significant bond between my school and me. It has refined my metamorphosis from ignorance to illumination, for which I'll remain indebted with gratitude, till my last breath. I feel so proud to say with a strong possessiveness that "IT'S MINE" forever and ever.

I am proud to be a GEETHAANJALIAN!
The only place where I truly learnt,
Brought up with dedication and motivation,
Nourished with benevolence,
Uplifted with revealation towards self-actualisation,
To reach the zenith of success and to taste the essence of life!

-Janahasri S, 2015 Batch

What according to you is success? Is it what you aspire to achieve in your life? Is it something that depends on your intelligence? Is it a trait that you acquire from your ancestor's drudgery? Or, is it a combination of all these? In my opinion, success depends on 3G's - Goals, Grit & Gratitude. Notwithstanding the aforementioned G's, the most important "G" - "Geethaanjali" that helped in inculcating the 3G's in my life. Geethaanjali has always taught and motivated me to be successful in life by achieving Goals, through pure Grit and determination and by showing Gratitude towards others. Thanks a zillion!

-Sakshi Rathi R, 2017 Batch

All our substrata depend on what initial step we take in our life and it happened very right with me at Geethaanjali, which is much more than a school for me. Whenever I think about my past, all I remember are the happy days at Geethaanjali. I still have fresh memories lingering about the school assembly, playtime with my friends, all the extra-curricular activities, happy group studies and value-education classes. There are many naughty moments to recall like eagerly waiting for the break-time to secretly play in the ground, silly fights amongst friends and the lunchtime where the real sharing happens, that no one remembered what we had brought for lunch. But the most adorable one was the last phase of my schooling in Grade XII which involved creating projects, balancing studies, play and getting ready for Board Exam that finally prepared us for our lives.

Being a member of Geethaanjali, I have definitely learnt many things. No doubt academics are taught in every school. But apart from that, my school had a core role in developing a good character and transforming me into a responsible person. I am very thankful to all my teachers for their valuable contribution in my life's journey. They are definitely different from other school teachers who have other priorities. I feel proud and lucky that I have experienced personalised teaching with individual care. What I'm now is only because of all my beloved teachers and friends. I really miss my school. I, wholeheartedly, realize now that *"School life is the golden period of my life"*.

My contented message to the pals now at our Pantheon is, *"Enjoy learning by grasping the culture of Geethaanjali, you'll surely emerge as a good human, which will help you grow & succeed in your life"*.

"You can't build a great building on a weak foundation. You must have a solid foundation if you're going to have a strong superstructure"

-Gordon B. Hinckley

-Neeraj Kumar Bhaiya K, 2016 Batch

From the
Parents

வாழிய செந்தமிழ் வாழ்க நற்றமிழர்
முஹம்மது கிஃபாயதுல்லாஹ்
தமிழக அரசுக் காஜி - ஈரோடு மாவட்டம்

"நெடிய புருவம். இடக்கையின் கீழ்ப்பகுதியில் ஒரு மச்சம். திரு மார்பில் ஒரு மறு. அந்த மறுவில் ஒரு முடி. அக்குளில் தேமல் அடையாளம். கைவிரல்களில் ரேகைகள். விரல்களில் நகங்கள். விக்கிரகத்தின் கைப் பகுதியை மெல்லத் தடவிப் பார்த்தால் மனிதர்களுக்கு இருப்பதைப் போன்ற உரோமங்கள் இருப்பதைப் போல் உணர முடியும். சற்றுத் தொலைவிலிருந்து இந்த நடராஜரைப் பார்த்தால் ஐம்பது வயது நிரம்பிய தோற்றத்தோடும், அருகில் சென்று பார்த்தால் முப்பது வயது நிரம்பிய இளைஞர் தோற்றத்தோடும் காணப்படுவது அதிசயத்திலும் அதிசயம்." காமதேனு வார இதழில் மகா பெரியவா அவர்களைக் குறித்து திரு சுவாமிநாதன் என்பவர் எழுதி வரும் 'அருளே ஆனந்தம்' என்னும் கட்டுரையில் நான் படித்து இரசித்த வரிகள் இவை.

ஈரோட்டுக் கல்விக் கூடங்களுக்கு மையமாய் ஒளிரும் கீதாஞ்சலியுடன் மேற்காணும் வரிகளை ஒப்பிட்டுப் பார்க்கிறேன். கல்வி நிலையங்கள் பலவிருந்தாலும் அவற்றின் மெய்த் தன்மையினை உணர தனிக் கண்ணோட்டம் வேண்டும். அக்கண்ணோட்டம் கொண்டிருந்த எனது குடும்பத்தவருக்குக் கிடைக்கப்பெற்ற அரும் பரிசே கீதாஞ்சலி கல்வி கூடமெனச் சொன்னால் மிகையல்ல என்று கருதுகின்றேன்.

என்னுடையப் பேரச் செல்வங்கள் நால்வரும் கீதாஞ்சலியில் முறையாக பிரீகேஜி, யூகேஜி, முதல் வகுப்பு, ஒன்பதாம் வகுப்புகளில் பயின்று கொண்டிருக்கின்றனர். கல்வி பயில்வதில் இராப்பகலாய் இவர்கள் காட்டும் அதீத அக்கறை என்னை பிரமிக்கச் செய்கின்றது. இதற்கு அடிப்படைக் காரணமாய் இருப்பவர்கள் கீதாஞ்சலியின் நல்லாசிரியப் பெருமக்கள்தாம். கீதாஞ்சலி மாணவச் செல்வங்கள் அனைவரும் நல்ல விழுக்காடுகள் பெற்று வெற்றி வாகை சூட வேண்டும். உயிரினும் ஓம்பப்படும் ஒழுக்கமிக்கவர்களாய்த் திகழ வேண்டும். தரணி போற்றும் இத்தமிழ் மண்ணில் தழைத்தோங்கிச் சிறக்க வேண்டும். இதனால் பெற்ற மனங்கள் குளிர்ந்து மகிழ வேண்டும். இம்மேலான நோக்கங்களுடன் இதன் மேலாண்மை இயக்குனர்களும், முதல்வரும் சீராகச் செயல்பட்டு வருவதைப் பார்க்கிறேன். கீதாஞ்சலி என்னும் இக்கலைக் கூடத்தின் பெருவளர்ச்சிக்கான தூண்கள் இவர்கள்.

ஈரோடு மாவட்டம் ஈரோடு நகரம் திண்டலில் கடந்த 2004 ஆம் ஆண்டு பி எம் ஜி ஆர் அறக்கட்டளை சார்பாகப் பள்ளிபெழுந்த கீதாஞ்சலி என்னும் அகில இந்திய உயர் நிலைப் புகழ் மாடம், இக்குறைந்த காலங்களுள் மீக்குயர் கல்வித் தலமாய் மருவி நிற்பது மாநகரத்துக்கு அணி சேர்க்கின்றது. கானல் நீராம் கல்வித் தாகம் தணிக்க சீருடை அணிந்து சின்னப் பயணம் ஏகும் மாணவக் கண்மணிப் பறவைகள், வேற்றுமையற்ற இவ்வேடந்தாங்களில் மதங்கள் மறந்து மகிழ்வாய் இணைந்து நிதந்தோறும் அறிவமுதம் பருகி அறிவுலகில் பறக்கின்றனர்.

அண்ணல் நபிகள் நாயகம் (ஸல்) கூறினார்கள்: மனிதன் மறைந்தாலும் அவன் விட்டுச் செல்லும் மூன்று விழுமியங்கள் சாகாவரம் பெற்றிருக்கும், முதலாவது பலருக்கும் பயன் நல்கும் நல்லறக் கட்டளை. இரண்டாவது நானிலம் செழிக்கப் பயன்தரும் கல்வி. மூன்றாவது தாய் தந்தையரின் நல்வாழ்வுக்காய்ப் பிரார்த்திக்கும் நன்மக்கள். இம்மூன்றையும் தனக்குள் கொண்டிலங்கும் கீதாஞ்சலி நீராடும் கடலுடுத்தி நிற்கும் இந்நிலமடந்தைக்கு எழில் சேர்ப்பதைக் கண்டு வாயார வாழ்த்திடுவோம், மனமகிழப் போற்றிடுவோம்.

-Mohamed Kifayathullah
KAZI TO GOVT OF TAMILNADU
(JUDICIAL OFFICER) FOR ERODE Dt.
G F/O Sanjila J, Grade - IX,
Mohammed Zaeem M S, Grade - II,
Hashrina M S, Grade - Sr. KG,
Mohamed Ishraq J, Grade - Jr. KG

Cradle of Life

With overwhelming happiness, I, hereby, contribute to the parent blog of the school magazine as my son Aadhavan is finishing his schooling this year.

It's impossible to pen in a few words the immense role played by the school in nursing and bring up my son. The multi-dimensional exposure and learning which he has experienced, since his kindergarten days in 2004, is the main reason which enabled him to successfully complete his Rotary Youth Exchange Program at the USA. Not only did he complete it, but he came out with flying colours as well as in all disciplines of his one-year schooling at Crestwood High School, Ohio, USA.

Well, it's a kind of surreal experience to describe something which is entwined in our senses. I am not sure whether Geethaanjali is our second home or first home, but for sure, it's a temple of learning, not only for our children, but for the whole society. The amount of love, discipline and hard work that each member of the Geethaanjali family puts in, to make every student a lovable human being is unmatched and no amount of praise and gratitude will suffice. As a parent, what makes me immensely happy is the way my children enjoy their school life. The schools is right at the top in instilling motherly affection, as I have come across lots and lots of Geethaanjalians, who love to always be at Geethaanjali.

Another great quality of Geethaanjali is defining the purpose of school education, undeniably creating the awareness of the environment around us and the caring contribution towards the well-being of the society. 'Anti-Corruption', 'Road Safety', 'Clean Erode', "Plastic Eradication' and the recent 'Desilting of lakes' are a few instances of social involvement of Geethaanjalians. Finally, in addition to all the above, as the crown jewel, Geethaanjali always tries to bring out the best of human nature in all its pupils. This according to me is the paramount purpose of education. Kudos to the team Geethaanjali and I wish them to continue their noble work forever!

-Manickam S, F/O Aadhavan S M, Grade - XII &
Aadharshya S M, Grade - V

WHY I LIKE GEETHAANJALI

I like Geethaanjali as it gives a very good academic atmosphere for the kids.
-Yes, by equipping the subject skills every day and during Academic day celebrations.
I like Geethaanjali as it gives a homely environment for the kids.
-Yes, Teachers and Principal are affectionate to the kids more than parents.
I like Geethaanjali as it makes the kids realize the importance of our culture and values.
-Yes, by celebrating Pongal, Deepavali and X-Mas in traditional ways.
I like Geethaanjali as it cultivates the habit of respecting elders and understanding the importance of elders.
-Yes, by celebrating Grand Parents day and performing Paadha Pooja.
I like Geethaanjali as the Principal and Teachers are very approachable.
-Yes, we can meet them to interact about performance of our kids & to give suggestions at any time.
I like Geethaanjali as it believes in a positive approach.
- Yes, Teachers are very comfortable with the Principal, hence they can prepare the kids for their life.
I like Geethaanjali as its fee structure is very reasonable.
-Yes, nowadays college fee is lesser than school fees but not so here.

I admitted my son and daughter at GEETHAANJALI. Above are a few notable points about the school. The special qualities of the school cannot be filled in a single page. I thank all the Teachers and Principal. Without their continuous encouragement, my son would not have gotten a break-through by getting admitted in PSG group of Institutions. I am happy and proud to be a member of the Geethaanjali family.

-Sivasubramanian R, F/O Sethu Ramalingam U S (Alumni) & Jegatha Lakshmi U S, Grade - VI

TWO SIDES MAKE A COIN

Any situation can have at least two different perspectives. There are a minimum of two angles for making a better decision. For example, freedom and responsibility are the two sides of the same coin. Of course, freedom and responsibility go hand in hand. Freedom is the power of choice, that individuals have in society, while responsibility is being accountable for one's actions. Accepting responsibility in our life will lead us to achieve a better outcome, as it is a positive and effective approach.

We may consider freedom as setting ourself free from commitment, challenge, suffering and so on. But the real freedom is the ability to choose in every moment, the most beneficial direction for ourselves. This is not easily accomplished, but requires self-awareness, which every individual needs to cultivate responsibly. Responsibility is not just accountability; it is the ability to accept all our choices and the resulting outcomes, without blaming others, the Almighty, our life's circumstances or even sheer luck.

As parents, we expect the best for our children than anything. Hence, we are so inclined to satisfy their needs in the way of love. However, to give children the opportunity to become successful in life, we also have to teach them freedom with responsibility. Here, my kid's school enables the children to gain hands-on experience, when they get the chance to do things on their own. They gain knowledge efficiently through unlearn and relearn process. It teaches children to be self-disciplined and are trusted to take responsibility for their own actions. They are given freedom to choose their manoeuvre with independency. Our school environment provides freedom to the children as it is essential for every child's development and at the same time they cultivate social responsibility. It shapes the child to introspect and creates many occasions for success which builds their confidence. The teachers of Geethaanjali give respect for each child's efforts and the realisation that constructs his/her own intelligence create a supportive learning.

Life is tough today both personally and professionally, as we seem to have accepted stress as a normal part of everyday life. The key to handle stress is only by understanding the power of freedom that comes with responsibility. Our school teaches its children how to handle stress in an easy way by empowering them to become independent and guides them to vent out stress easily.

Many of us will not expect freedom because we are subconsciously aware that, it brings us problems along with it, which we are not ready to face. Thus freedom is inseparable from responsibility. One should cultivate the habit of accepting challenges to overcome problems. Expect the freedom happily and accept the responsibility wholeheartedly. Children grow by learning various skills, analyse between right and wrong, develop their personality and take decisions with freedom. This is how Geethaanjalians grow up strong and are ever ready to take up challenges.

- Geetha R, M/O Sai Sanjana S & Sai Priya S, Grade - II

VISION of a PARENT

It is an immense pleasure to share my experience about Geethaanjali. I really admire the fantastic administration of such an eminent school with its utmost care towards the children. The grand celebration of Annual Day in a unique manner is a big milestone for this school. The way in which the creativity and talents of the kids are explored and exhibited every year is quite enchanting and simply extraordinary. Academic Excellence Day celebrations add one more feather to the cap of the school. Its motto "Every student must perform on the stage" makes the budding learners breakout of their shells and become more vibrant and self-confident. The kindness of the faculty and other staff towards the children and parents makes the school friendlier with a home-like atmosphere. The latest advancement of online fee payment system is the highlightable feature of the school. It proves the transparency in fee collection and helps parents remit fee on time. Geethaanjali, not only concentrates on academic performances, but unveils the various dimensions of my daughter like being a stupendous orator, responsible social worker and more than anything a noble human-being, filled with good characters and ethos. Thanks for cherishing every child, as Geethaanjali leaves no stones unturned!

-Dr. Premkumar K, F/O Mahima Risha P, Grade - VIII

Immediate Past

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Before I begin, I'd like to pause in reminiscence of a lifetime, which is made up entirely of the memories of the evolution of fledglings into soaring eagles. I had entered this family 12 years ago, with dreams and hopes to mould my personality. All these years I've lived in GAISSS, there hasn't been a single moment where I haven't gained something right from the love, care, support, encouragement, inspiration, most importantly the boundless knowledge and the freedom to dream. This family of mine has never let me down and as I watched it grow along with new arrivals and departures.

Needless to say, this journey hasn't been so easy for me. Let me have the privilege to share a page, from my fascinating book of school life. When I look back a year ago, I was waiting patiently, with nervousness, to address a huge crowd in our assembly. I started to grow exasperated hoping for my turn to arrive soon, but to my dismay, it never did. That moment, the doors to my dreams seemed to close in front of my eyes. I was disappointed to lose my chance, but I never lost hope. This thought has carried me this far on its own shoulders. A few weeks later, I came back with a big bang, when I was applauded for my presidential address. Though that chapter had ended, a new era had begun, when I witnessed a new morning in my life, as I went to pick golden flowers called opportunities from the garden of Geethaanjali.

But these are not the real experiences, these are mere points that I've jotted down over the years, somewhere on a "leave it behind" note. The true gains of my life are the insights of my gurus who have always been there to thoroughly support my dreams and aspirations and hold me whenever I fall. Each of them is an exquisite piece of treasure for the wisdom they showered upon me, which is the essence to lead our lives. On a lighter note, if it weren't for this family, I would never wake up early each morning to attend school for 12 years! All along I've always known that it was for this real home, that I left home each day to reach.

I feel saddened to realize that it's now my turn to fly away from my home to find a new abode. This makes me recall how while filling in the pages of my life, each incident turned into a melody that has now collectively become the psalm etched into my heart and soul. This marks an equal taste of achievement and failure, a projectile of my efforts. But truly my entire school life never would have been so special, if I weren't at Geethaanjali, as it is only here where I made close friends, special acquaintances and gained priceless tips at each step from my gurus.

Like all my friends, I too know that no matter where we go, our Pantheon will forever remain our "sweet home", where we'll always be welcomed not like an alumnus but like its own children. It will always continue to embrace us with the same selfless love and affection, like it does now, each day. To conclude, with great gratitude in my heart, all I would like to say is *'May we fly high and make our family proud which not only taught us to fly, but to soar high into the skies and fly eternally on unbeaten tracks leaving behind trails for others to follow'.*

Long live my family, my GAISSS and my Geethaanjalians!



Adithya K

President, Student Council 2018 - 19

GURU PURNIMA SALUTATIONS

"Teachers, who love teaching, teach children to love learning."

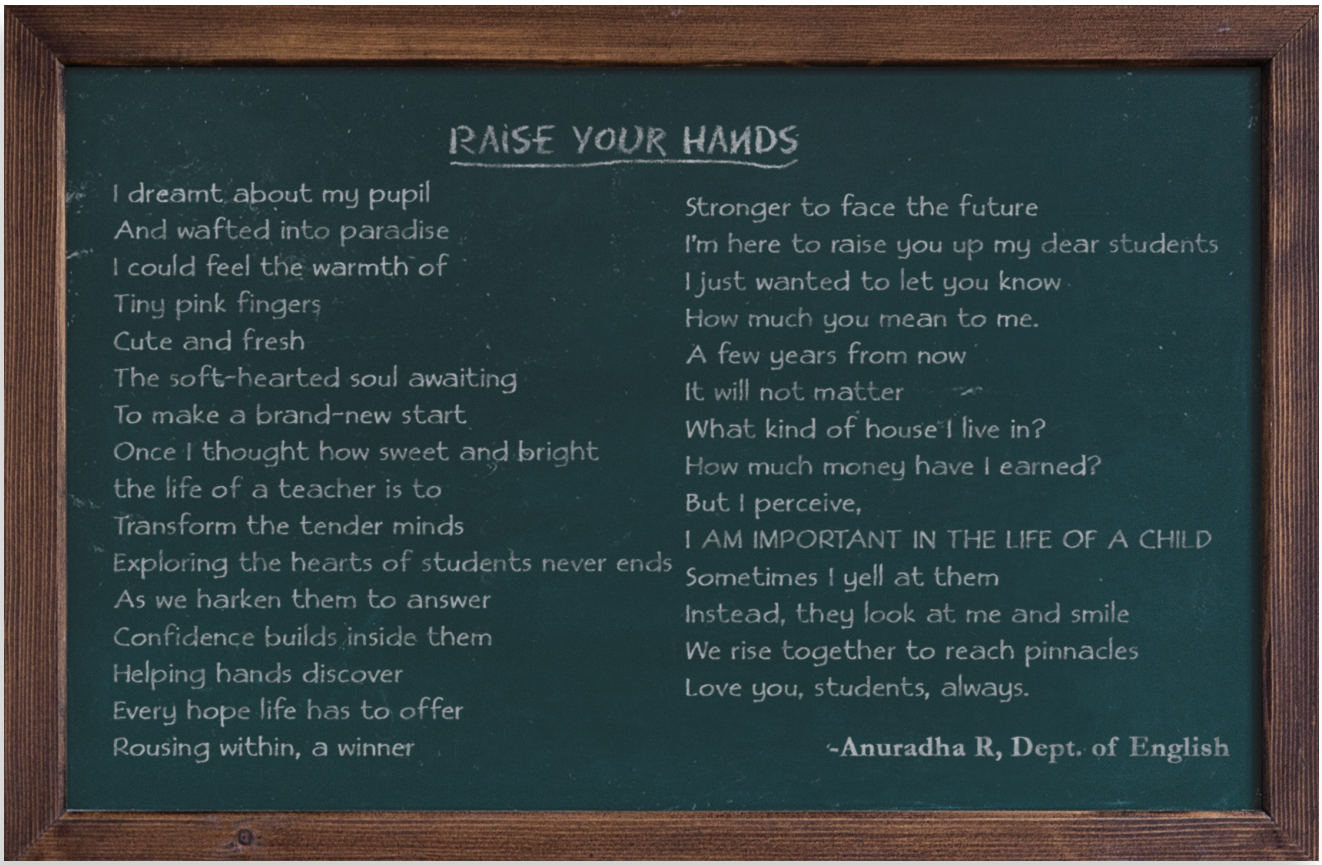
-Robert John Meehan

Celebrations give us opportunities to create great memories. The main purpose of celebrating any occasion is to remember the day and feel happy about it and gain universal human experiences such as love, sadness, joy, reverence, success and sacrifice. The commemoration of Teachers' Day in our Pantheon is a day for those who always work to make our future bright, by reflecting all our sense of gratitude. Impeccable arrangements were done by our seniors in Grade XII along with the helping hand from the members of the Student Council. The day's celebration started with a warm welcoming of all the Gurus' of our Geethaanjali family. They were made to reminisce about their young age, when various events and games were hosted exclusively for them. The jubilation reached its apex when our Gurus' were mesmerized by the special song sung by the seniors. They were presented with handmade gifts made from pebbles, meticulously crafted by all of us engraved with a wonderful quote, *"It's amazing what you can accomplish if you do not care who gets the credit"*. This conveyed how a teacher transforms the life of every student.

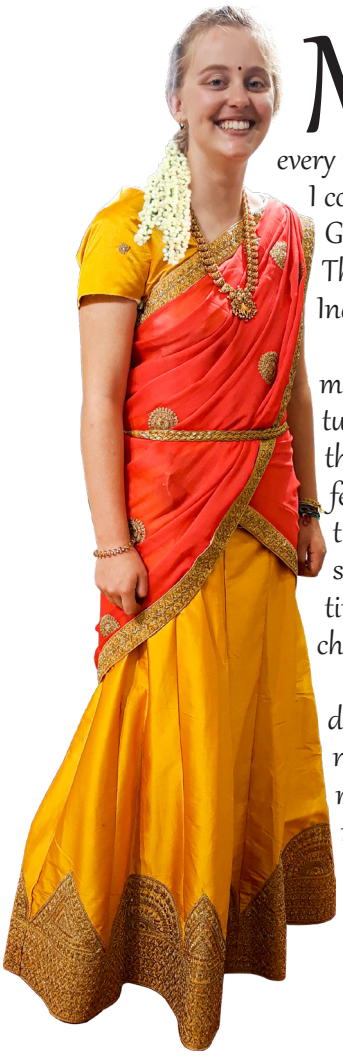


"You are not just a teacher, you are an unending source of inspiration, perpetual motivator and admirable **GURU**"

-Kamakshi Sundharam K V, Secretary – Student Council



YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM





My name is Cecile and I was an exchange student from Belgium during the year 2018-2019. My visit to Geethaanjali school was very brief, but it is my greatest experience so far in RYE. I enjoyed every moment that I spent there and still cherish those memories till today. I couldn't have dreamt of a better school for me, because the principles of Geethaanjali are based on trust and freedom offered to every student. This provided a conducive climate for me to have a gifted school life in India.

I had the chance to participate in the life of the school in a way that truly included me and taught me a lot about Indian culture. More than simply attending classes, I had my own language learning tutor for Tamil, English, photography and informatics programs in photoshop. I also took part in the special activities and celebrations like sport day, the preparation for Diwali and the traditional festivity Pongal. Those moments were incredible for anyone who's discovering Tamil culture and I had the chance to join them all. But my favorite memories are the simplest moments of the time that I spent in the school, like the times when I was with the aunties in the kitchen whenever I could find time, drinking tea (way too much), taking pictures around the school, playing with small children and chit-chatting with my classmates.

I was able to create a bond with my peer group, teachers, kids and aunties, which I still miss every day since I left. All the people I met in Erode were welcoming and helpful, who taught me a lot. I will never forget the interesting, joyful and warm moments filled with kindness at Geethaanjali. I still remember how pleasing and curious were the children about a new comer like me and how much it matters that I was able to meet them; they are the ones that made my exchange year, truly amazing!

I would like to thank every person who is making Geethaanjali school this great and wish them the best, because they truly deserve it.

Thank you so much!

-Cécile Delacroix



"EXCHANGE" - The year I desire back again. I realised who I am! At the age of fifteen, once I started the journey of Youth Exchange with dreams and excitement, there was a little voice within my heart questioning me, "How am I going to live in a place for a year, thousands of miles away from my friends, family and country?" Once I landed in Brazil with countless mysteries, I gained a bit of confidence from their smiles. Yeah! It was my host family waiting eagerly at the airport for my arrival. Living in a place where you are not accustomed to their language, culture, food, lifestyle, etc., wasn't as simple as I assumed. However, from every mistake, I did learn to correct myself. Accepting life's reality had been the biggest challenge for a girl, who was pampered all through. Although it was a little tough for me to adapt, but later I enjoyed picking up new things. The method of learning never puts a full stop in anyone's life. I felt proud and overwhelmed to be the Associate Indian Ambassador. People asked me whether I would like to be in Brazil or move back home. I responded with a broad smile, that I will return to my Bharat only after becoming a global citizen.



My hearty thanks to our beloved Subha mam, Rotary, my parents & teachers for believing in me and giving me this golden opportunity to create an unforgettable experience in my life.The angels of God guided me throughout the programme and made the words of Eleanor Roosevelt come true.

"The purpose of life is to live it, to taste experience to the utmost, to reach out eagerly and without fear for newer and richer experience."

"Te amo Brazil"

-Sasmitaa S, Grade - XII

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE



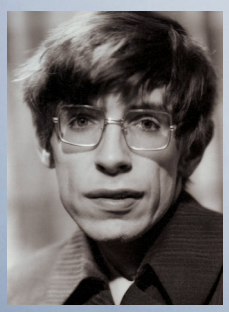
"Our intelligence is what makes us human, and AI is an extension of that quality."
– Yann LeCun

ARITIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (AI) is an obvious topic for all tech geeks out there, but for a few who are unsure about it, "AI is a technology in which computer systems are made to perform tasks which normally require human intelligence like speech recognition, visual perception, analytical decision making etc." For our simple understanding, the voice of Jarvis or Friday, with which our favorite marvel character Iron Man speaks inside his suit is AI was designed by Newell and Simon in 1955. These pioneers coined the word artificial intelligence and are regarded as the master minds behind the first ever AI program.

It is indeed, one of the greatest technologies that has been invented by mankind till date. The evolution of AI has happened for decades and every year there is an upsurge in its abilities including speech recognition, fingerprint analysis, facial recognition to iris scanner and many more to come. AI involvement in business settings reduces the repetitive tasks that we perform daily, which helps to save our valuable resources. In the future, it is expected to generate almost $3 trillion worth of business which accounts to 6.2 billion hours of worker productivity. We look at AI to help us be safer, learn smarter and work more efficiently with effectiveness. Nowadays, the most affordable products of AI available in the market are spam filters, plagiarism checkers and smart assistants like Google assistant, Alexa, etc.

Every technology developed by man is like a double-edged sword. The moment when mankind makes itself competent to build a superpower or to develop AI with intellect almost equal to him, then a new era of evolution would emerge, which can turn beneficial or fatal. The only thing that separates human intelligence from AI is the capability of human beings to grasp and learn with experience. For example, a child learns to speak or walk by learning in its day-to-day experience, whereas AI requires human intelligence to code its tasks. So, when an AI with enormous ability is developed, it would bring a new renaissance.

Everyone would have come across the word humanoid at least once. It is a robot with abilities similar to humans, which uses AI for its functioning. But what does it take to build perfect humanoids? To answer this question, we have to know that at present there is no humanoid which can perform an activity on its own. Every task, whether it's speech or motion, is coded by humans at some point. If humanoids need to work on their own, they may require a computer to code themselves, which is as powerful as the human brain. But, building such a supercomputer can take several decades. This may be possible when neuro technology comes into play, where we'll be able to synchronize the human brain with AI. The abilities of AI will get enhanced and at a point it will start to evolve by itself. There will be no need of humans for its operations. Here is the part where the possibility of AI being fatal arises. When AI gains such a massive ability to control its own activities, it can turn lethal against its creators. A perfect example for this could be the movie ROBOT, in which robots become capable enough to control their actions and start destroying mankind. Whether it is a small pin or gun, everything has its own advantage and disadvantage, unless it is used in a proper way. We need to keep in mind, the better our intentions are today, the better would be the AI of the future.



"Success in creating AI would be the biggest event in human history.
Unfortunately, it might also be the last,
unless we learn how to avoid the risks."
- Stephen William Hawking

-Aditya Mishra, Grade - XII



DESILTING OF PALANIGOUNDANPALAYAM LAKE

"When the well's dry, we know the worth of water"

–Benjamin Franklin

It has been a few years of noticeable change in the environment that there is a deficit of monsoonal rainfall, which has resulted in a drastic drop of underground water levels of the Erode region, Tamil Nadu state. Most of the people in this area use ground water to fulfil their needs.





As the level went down drastically to satisfy the basic needs, this led people to focus on an alternate water source. Erode Corporation proposed a plan to revive the local waterbodies. This was initiated along with the neighbouring schools located in the city. As a pilot remediation, each school has to work on different water banks. Our school came forward to freshen up an unmaintained residential lake of Palanigoundanpalayam. The village is surrounded with a population of more than 20,000 people and is located from 8 kilometers south of the Erode bus-stand. The water body at Palanigoundanpalayam is one of the check dams in and around Erode. The veins of the lake give life to many bore wells in agricultural lands and help to support the socio-economic needs around the city. It contributes upto 20% of the water supply for the area, which works out to a volume of 50 lakh litres. A team from our school along with the corporation officers visited the site to probe the current status of the check dam. The aim of the project is to preserve the seasonal precipitation and restore the water veins in the region. The ultimate goal of the project was reached by training the children and civilians to store rainwater during the seasonal rainfalls and to prevent wastage of water.

The very next day, our team of teachers and children visited the area. The floor of the dry lake was left with high residual concentrations of dust and other sludge particles. We started exploring the various alternatives for the recovery and to go with the best solution possible along with the Corporation of Erode city. The restoration and mitigation work started in mid-July. The work was enthusiastically begun under the leadership of our **Chairman Mr. P.M.Gopalan** and keenly followed by Mr.S.S.Sivakumar & team. They started cleaning the weeds, dried shrubs and lifeless trees. Every square meter of the waterbed was treated deeply using gravel and clean soil. The remediation and cleaning work happened at an ardent pace and was completed by the end of July. We found that this strategy made our project wholesome and would help to store the monsoon water effectively. Now the people of that area feel happy with the stored water, as the area is filled with lush greenery. Thus, we discovered that the check dams are more than merely a simple body of water. They are the important ecosystems when nurtured and cared for. It is our duty to practice stewardship towards our natural resources by keeping them alive forever.

-Suresh T N, Dept. of Transport

தண்ணீர் பேசுகிறேன்

பஞ்சபூதங்களில் ஒருவனான
தண்ணீர் உங்களிடம் பேசுகிறேன்
தாகம் தீர்த்து வளம் தந்த
என்னை நீங்கள்
வறண்டு போகச் செய்திட்டீர்
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அசுத்தம் செய்தே அழிக்கின்றீர்
சேமித்தல் எனும் குணத்தை நீங்கள்
சேமிக்க மறந்து போய் விட்டால்
தேடி என்னை அலையும் நிலையும்
விரைவாய் உங்களை வந்தடையும்
மரம் வளர்த்து
மழை வரச் செய்யுங்கள்,
மழை நீரை சேமியுங்கள்!

-சச்சின் சக்கரவர்த்தி க,
நான்காம் வகுப்பு

वर्षा हमारी आशा

बादलों की गोद से निकलकर आती है तू
धरती माँ की हरियाली है तू
प्रकृति की शोभा है तू
तुझे मेरे दादाजी ने नदी में देखा
मेरे पिताजी ने तालाब में देखा
अब मैं देखता हूँ सिर्फ नल में
अतः तुम डरती हो, मै बचूँगी या मिटूँगी?
हमारी अशा की बूँद हो तू
डरो मत, अब तुझे हम
सुरक्षित रखेंगे प्राणों की तरह।

-Shivalingam Usha,
Dept. of Hindi

Tiny Droplet

The tiny droplet
from nature's womb
that accustoms everywhere.
The inoculate one
flows without flaws
through thick and thins.
The precious one
drenches everyone
with joy!
Inevitable, Immortal,
A natural drop with
enormous power,
The elixir of life!

-Shivani R,
Grade - X

UNFOLDING THE ART OF BOOK-KEEPING

"Is accountancy an Art or a Science?", remains a debate forever. In fact, it is both an Art and a Science. This reliable branch of knowledge has undergone many extensions and expansions over the years. As everything needs to be adapted to the upcoming society, bookkeeping, too, has evolved into accounting in its path. Initially, the events were recorded merely in a note just to ascertain profits. Only then, proper records were maintained for prominent motives other than ascertaining profits. Now accounts are maintained in e-forms. The books of records are maintained for various purposes, which are vital for the growth of individuals as well as for the nation. Thus, it is paramount for both the micro and macro economy. Thinking deeply, bookkeeping is done more importantly to scrutinize an individual's financial measures. These records are maintained to follow the legalities and abide law in a gentle and fair manner. The main essence of life is to live ethically. Even though, there is a scope and increasing demand for accountants across the globe, the one who is loyal to the client and, more significantly, to the nation is scarcely found. Due to these ins and outs, the art is hastily changing into a business. Swindling the legalities may seem beneficial in the short run, but it could vandalise the deceiver in the long run. So, "What should be done?". WE, the future citizens have to take up the 'responsibility' by utilising the technology to create opportunities for pursuing further proceedings in a fair and gentle manner.

So, being responsible and accountable to ourselves, and to the nation, is the real meaning of the term, 'Accountancy'.

-Sibi Krishna M G, Grade - XI

கனவுகளை

கனவுகளை நோக்கி ஓடும் கால்கள்,
தடுமாறினாலும் தடம் மாறாத நம் இலக்குகள்,
வெற்றியோ தோல்வியோ
விடாமுயற்சியுடன் சுற்றி இருக்கும்
அனைவரின் கை தட்டல்கள்,
எட்டிப் பார்க்காத தூரம் வரை
ஓடுவோம் வாருங்கள்,
எனது மானவச் செல்வங்களே
நம் கனவுகளோடு!

-ருக்மணி தேவி க, உதவியாளர்

Voice of your inner self!

Life is full of surprises, where everything can't go as you want it to. You need to accept this fact, so that you can handle things gracefully. This acceptance would lead you to act courageously and develop contentment in you. There is a powerful thought which says, 'Think within yourself' at least once a day. But we never realize the great impact such thinking creates within us. Do you have the habit of self-talk? If you are in the affirmative, then you would be aware of the little commentator, who always chatters inside your head. If you had observed such situations, you would have realised, how such self-talks enhance your confidence, boost your performance and whisper positive instructions to make you more productive. Suppose you struggle with little timorousness, there is a possibility that your inner critic has become overactive. During such instances, you can train your self-talk to acknowledge your strengths. So, try to include positive spins such as:

- I **am** good at this task
- I **can** achieve things
- I **can** prepare myself for situations

Life is an expedition and it is essential that you be confident to make yourself independent and developed. If you face unexpected events in your life, do learn to handle and manage them with patience and confidence. You have to incorporate certain practices to enhance your willpower and to cope with whatever happens in life. Brainstorming is something that is done with others in a group to generate ideas. But 'mindstorming' is an exercise that you can do all by yourself. Pay attention to your inner disciplines to manage things in the right way. Confidence can only be attained if you depend on your intuitions and decisions. When you start believing in your inner strength, you will be able to make decisions on your own. Your ideas energize you and unlock your mental potential to harness the genius that lies within you. The more ideas you generate, the faster you change your thinking and the more confident you become. Let your inner self be your best friend! Eventually, positive self-talk every now and then can help you adapt to any changes faster. In fact, adaptability is a part of our life. The ability to adjust to different environments, unexpected changes and circumstances would turn failures into success. ADVANCE WISHES ON YOUR SUCCESS!

-Sumathi T, Dept. of Social

Design Your Pride

To design our own life, as we must execute our own choices by relentlessly choosing from the infinite options that the world offers us every moment.

Life is a macrocosmic dream. There are abundant potentials and choices, but people lack a sense of direction. The world can stop our potential only temporarily. The only one who can stop it permanently is our own self. We always deserve abundance and happiness. Let's make our potential count, seeking more from life. Let everything become better with our presence. Plentiful positivity energises our intentions, thereby reflects in all the actions that we perform.

Every one of us is a unique creation of God. By believing and realising our inner potential, we'll be able to make wonders happen and dreams to turn into reality. So, let's celebrate our uniqueness every moment with the sense of gratitude by being thankful to the universe. We are the designers in the eternal game of our life. Our sub-conscious mind rules most of our life. When it is filled with unbeatable belief, the whole universe will collaborate with us to reach our Destiny! So smile big, speak less, read more and help a ton!

Love abundantly!!!
Believe infinitely!!!
Self-belief + Eternal gratitude = OUR PRIDE
Daily affirmation: "My life is beautiful & I am blessed"

-Rubiga Devi G, Business Analyst

WHAT IF WE REPLENISH OUR EARTH?

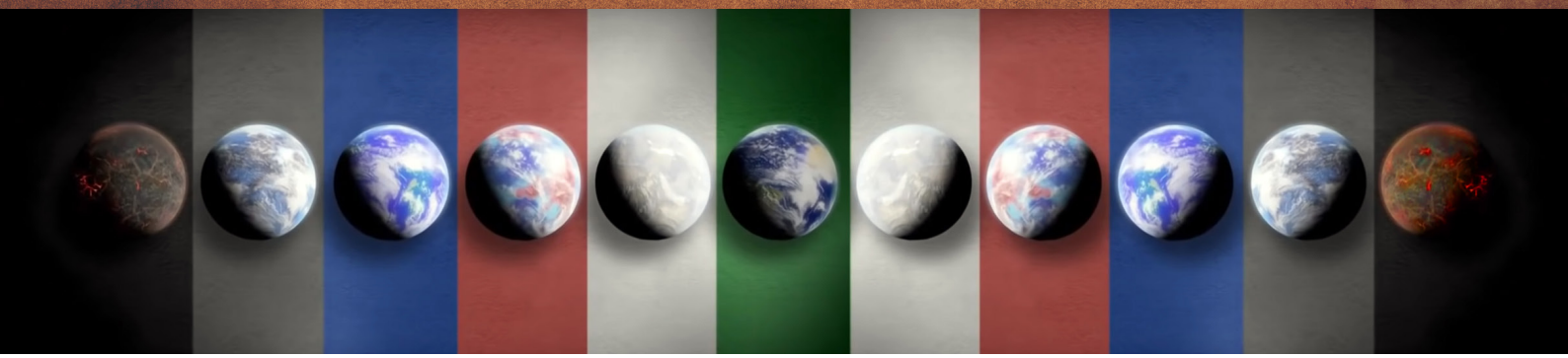
The possibility of life in outer space is a subject of significant interest, as the Earth is dying due to the greed of humankind. It takes us nearly USD 10 trillion to set up a small civilisation on Mars, whereas the total worth of our world economy is USD 88 trillion. Do we need to replenish our Earth, where billions of people can live harmoniously or set up a civilisation away from our blue planet, where only thousands can live in an enclosed habitat? At this juncture we only need to think wisely for the common good rather than focus on efficiency.

We all know that the Earth's climate is changing rapidly. Many observations and the resulting theories on this negative unprecedented change have been published in international journals and is a matter of great concern for the UN and other world organisations. The emotional outburst of the Swedish climate activist Greta Thunberg, excoriated the world leaders' "business as usual" approach towards this burning issue. Humans, solely, have caused this drift to happen already and are also right now set in motion for further changes. Even if we stop emitting greenhouse gases from today onwards, global warming would continue to happen at least for several more decades. That's because it takes so much time for the planet to heal from the damages caused. Adaptation is not only dealing with the warming that's already here, but also learning to adapt to the warming that's on its way to us.

Are we really running out of time to stop climate change? Well, the answer is certainly yes, if we don't start it NOW. But we need a worldwide switch, because this problem is so gigantic that, mere switching off bulbs or increased use of public transport doesn't make an impact at all. We the humans in unison with the world governments must take immediate and effective steps together to bring up a humongous transformation. Most of us would be surprised to hear that if the entire humankind switches over to a diet, that relies less on meat and more on veggies and fruits, it would reduce greenhouse gas emissions by two thirds. We have been hearing of the animal conservationists recommendation to turn vegan, as there are proven environmental benefits in it. But we greedily ignore such warnings for our sheer pleasure from eating meat.

It is so weird that the most intelligent species on Earth is destroying their own, the one and only home. The greatest ecological threat **'GLOBAL WARMING'** can only be tackled if we rejuvenate and replenish our earth. We cannot reverse our biosphere like how it was in the past but we can surely make it a better place to live in than now.

-Susmitha G, Grade - XI



THE CRY OF CREATURES

I hear wildlife crying "we are innocent"
In what way does one assume, we are mean?
How come we are deserved to be tortured and shot?
Why are we devoid of freedom and pushed to extinction?

We have the same rights to explore the planet as you and they,
You are the foremost cause of our decline.
When one of us declines, there happens a vacuum,
The animal that depends, also becomes extinct.

Our decline may be a menace to the surrounding,
We are friends; we are assets to mother nature
We haven't abused aesthetic and ecological values,
Then why does one kill us? Why does one devour us?

Don't you recognize forests are our dwelling,
Don't you know they're the lungs of our Earth?
Save them and cherish; Don't leave them to perish,
Save us from diminish and shield us from vanish.

To people who love all creatures,
Remember this forever my men,
It is the noble attribute of us,
We forget and forgive what you've done to us!

-Mahima Risha P,Grade - VIII



Squandering Automation.....

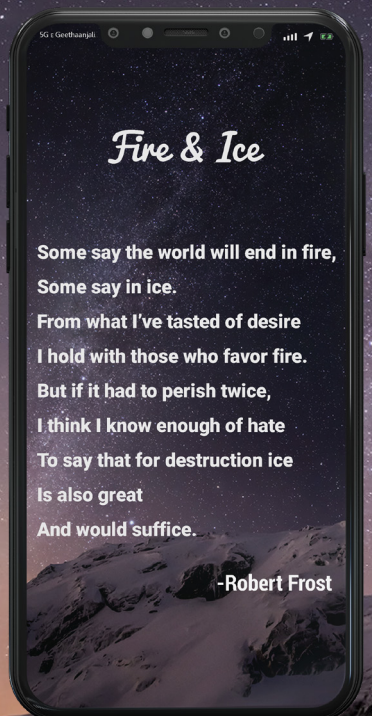
Have a look back at our good old days, may be a decade ago, when life was so pleasant and we cherished our bonds with each other. We admired Mother Nature for her blessings that she showered on us. The world was in harmony with its flora and fauna. Humans and animals had a special bond of co-existence. Nowadays we sabotage them to expand our colonies. Due to the advances in communication technology, the radiations from the electrical towers and wires passing over farmlands are driving many small birds and animals into extinction. We are destroying the creatures around us to strengthen our connections. The maximum kindness shown by us towards animals which are endangered is just sharing a woeful message "Be kind to animals" on social media.

Present technology spoils the young generation through its palm-sized devices and personal computers (PCs). It provokes them to use spurned websites, games, applications and social media, just for enjoyment, obliterating the real purpose of their lives. It forces them to spend most of the time with e-gadgets and reduces their interaction with friends, family and outside world. Due to this isolation, men are being discriminated and exploited by other men on the basis of gender, race, colour, caste, creed, language, religion, region, etc., just to show the supremacy of one over the other. Confidential information is now divulged, as everything is known by everyone. As a result of this security breach happening around the globe, there are declines in the economic growth of regions, unexpected terrorism, bio-war and such other destructive acts.

Why is this transformation happening? Are we going to wait till doomsday?

We can never deny that technology has brought a far-reaching positive impact in various fields like agriculture, banking, automation, medical science etc. Technology itself is not a terrible thing. It becomes terrible only when used in a wayward manner. It has turned fiction into reality, being both a blessing and a curse. Technology is transformational in the hands of our civilization in a valuable manner, only if it is USED and not MISUSED. It is high time that we reform our USE of technology to a sustainable manner and bring back the primordial world for the future generations.

-Suhan Krishna M G, Grade - IX

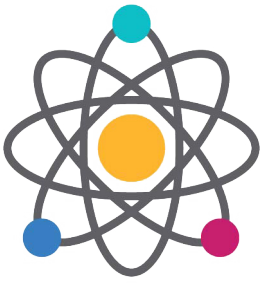


Shakespeare very wisely said, "There is nothing either good or bad, but thinking makes it so." In the same way, it is applicable for everything around us, including mobile phones. It is the way we use them, makes it good or bad. Mobiles have become a major reason for distraction of the student community. Now the current scenario is that, my dear friends, you have become slaves to the device in your hands.

கரம் பிடித்த உன்னை
கைவிட மனமில்லை
எம்குல மாந்தர்க்கு...
அக்கால நிலாச்சோறு போய்
இக்கால வலைச்சோறு
மறுக்க மனமில்லாமல்...
பட்டாம்பூச்சி மழலைகளை
வீட்டுப்பூச்சியாய் அடைத்தாய்...
வீழ்ந்து விட்டோம் - நாங்களும்
உன் வலையில்!

-Babu Nagarajan, Dept. of Tech

WE ARE ALL CONNECTED!



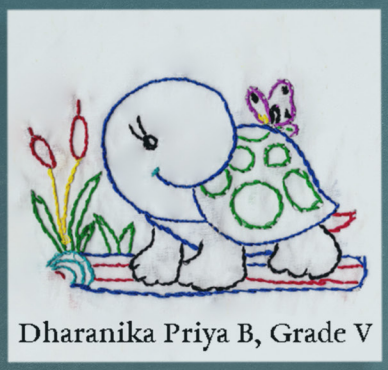
Do you know, there is scientific proof that we are all connected? In 1997, an experiment at the University of Geneva, proved that any matter can have non-physical connection. A single photon was split into two particles which were separated by 14 miles. Despite the distance, the particles reacted exactly the same way to external stimuli. If one particle was spun using magnetic force, the other one spun exactly the same way. This theory was named as 'Quantum Entanglement'. The scientists concluded that these particles are connected, as they are the part of the same energy field. This discovery contradicts many of our current beliefs about time and space. During Big Bang, all the matter in the universe had originated from one single source. Although this matter is spread out over huge distances, all physical things are entangled on a quantum level. So, we are somehow connected to each other throughout the universe.

'You can never be alone, when you realise that we are all one.'

-Vaishya T, Grade - X

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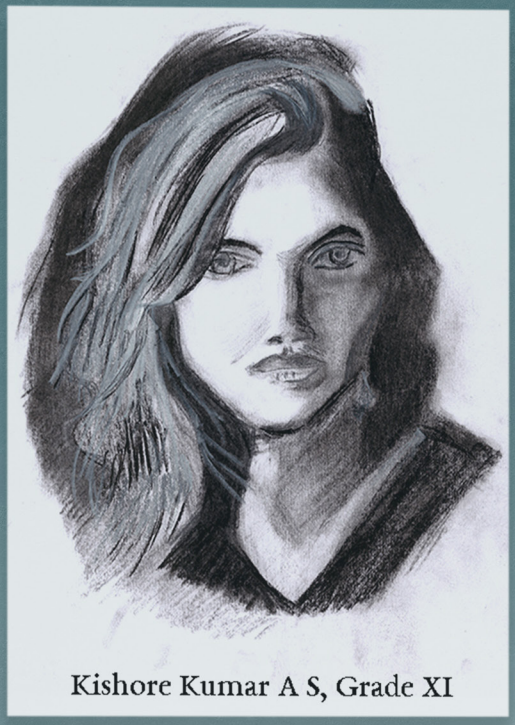

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Keerthana V, Grade III


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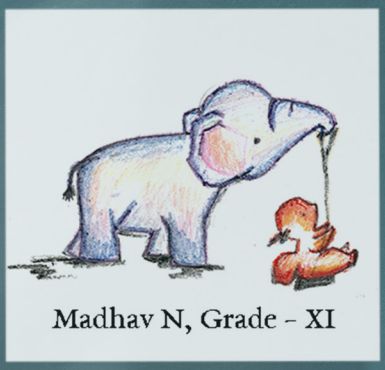

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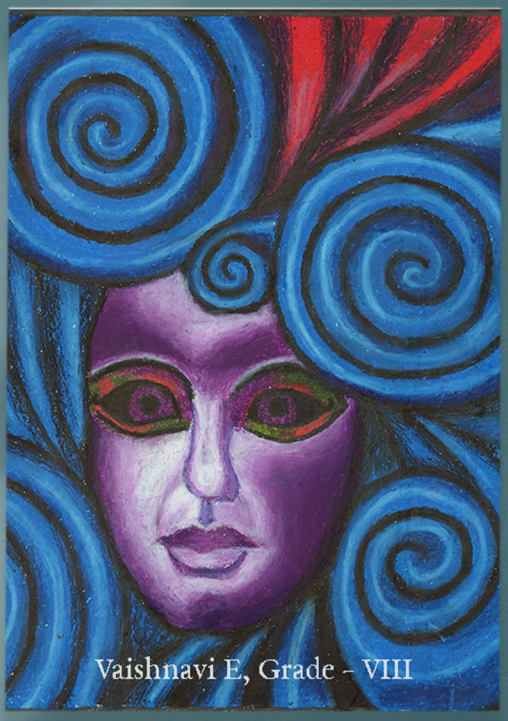

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HEAL WITH THE POWER OF SPORTS

"Do you know what my favourite part of the game is? The opportunity to play."

– Mike Singletary

When you spectate a game on a playfield or view the sport on television, have you ever thought about the necessity of it? Does sport help us in our daily life? Can sports give us a healthy life and promising future? Yes, sports involve physical and mental activities which keep us healthy and fit. Good changes happen in our body, when we play a sport. It relaxes our body and mind by rejuvenating us. It helps to gain toned muscles and healthy bones. It improves skills such as coordination, cooperation, leadership and team spirit. To add further, it reduces the chances of becoming obese and even helps improve our sleep levels. Sports help us learn and concentrate on all the activities we do. Thus, regular sporting results in better future by ensuring good health, fitness, discipline, punctuality and finally its mastery. There is a famous saying by Ken Doherty, **"The five S's of sports training are: stamina, speed, strength, skill, and spirit; but the greatest of these is spirit"**. According to the World Sports Encyclopedia (2003), there are about 8,000 indigenous sports and sporting games. You may be astonished to know that fishing is a recognised sport and is the most participated sport on Earth. India is the genesis of many games and sports like Ashtapada, Chess, Judo, Karate, Polo, Kabaddi and Badminton. Dream to live a healthy life by playing the sport that amuses you. **Remember, the body heals with play; the mind heals with laughter and the spirit heals with joy."**



-Nishad M S, Grade - X

ADVENTURE FOR A REASON

An adventure is an exciting experience, that is typically a bold, sometimes risky undertaking. It may include activities with a potential physical danger such as traveling, exploring, skydiving, mountaineering, scuba diving, river rafting or participating in extreme sports. They give us a lot of joy, thrill and excitement with risk. It makes a person both physically and mentally fit. Adventures are different from trips. A trip only gives joy, whereas adventure teaches us something new. It gives us a little excitement, but more courage for the next move of our life, which tends to continue throughout.

Few bold people take up adventures habitually, but many choose it to become bold. It may end positively when it gives us a sense of accomplishment. It may also result in an adverse manner, when it hurts and makes irrevocable losses. Adventurous people just go on exploring, without worrying about the results. Adventure gives strength, courage, patience, self-confidence, team-work and a true sense of happiness. Everybody needs to take up an adventure at least once in their life, to obtain these qualities. It undeniably gives an inspiration to others, to do something challenging and seek new quests. Completing an adventure is simply filling your soul with success. Let's all, thus, ADVENTURE FOR A REASON.

"Life is either a daring adventure or nothing."

- Helen Keller

-Tharun Aadith S, Grade - XI





பிம்பமல்ல..... 'நாம்'

எத்தனை எத்தனை பிம்பங்களாய் நாம்...
உறவாய்.., உணர்வாய்...,
வழிநடப்பவனாய்.., வழிகாட்டியாய்..
இன்னும் இன்னும் எத்தனை எத்தனை
பிம்பங்கள் நமக்குள்..
நம்மை மறைத்திடும் மறந்திடும் தனிச்சிறப்பு
தனித்துவங்கள்..
பிடிக்காததும் பிடித்து, அணியாததும்
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இதோ இது தான் 'நான்'

-இரமேஸ்குமார் இரா, தமிழாசிரியர்

கட்டைக்கால் நடனம்

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சின்னத்திரை வெள்ளித்திரை
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ஏறுமுகமாய்ப் புறப்பட்டனரே!

சிங்கநடை நடப்பதனை
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சொல்ல வார்த்தைகள் இல்லையே!

-மோகனாம்பாள் தெ, தமிழாசிரியை



A mobile game turned movie - **ANGRY BIRDS** has come out with a sequel. Will the movie live up to the expectations of its worldwide fans? Angry birds' lovers had a hurricane of hopes, when the prequel of the film became a hit and created a great impact. Besides introducing a few newbies, **ANGRY BIRDS 2** came out with slight changes and revived a few characters from the first part.

If you aren't an **ANGRY BIRDS** fan or haven't watched the first movie, here I take you to the storyline. There is hostile tension between two islands. The first one is the Bird island, an avian paradise, inhabited by flightless birds, who as within the game, travel via slingshots, that hurl them to their destination. The second one is the Piggy island, where the green pigs live. The pigs plot a conspiracy to steal and carry the birds' eggs to their island. Our hero, the irascible Red, saves his home as well as brings back the stolen eggs safely to the Bird island by defeating the invasion of green pigs.

Now, in the second part of the movie, the plot of the story sounds serious. The scenario changes, when the King of the Piggy island, Leonard, pleads for a truce with the Bird island. They become frenemies, who move hand-in-hand to beat the new danger, as both Piggy island and Bird island are now vulnerable to a new villainess, Zeta, the Queen of Eagle island, who dreams of ruling and expanding her empire. Our hero Red, the unanimous favourite, takes charge of a bird's team comprising fastest Chuck, explosive Bomb, brainy Silver and Leonard together save their islands.

The feather-brained acts of the characters provide a full dose of fun. Villain Zeta's evil enchantment thrills everyone, yet her ideas of death penalty create laughter. Red, the leader of birds, tries heroic stunts to impress Silver and save their islands. Sadly, none of his plans work and that is where, Silver along with the gadgets of the pigs come into play and present us with twists and turns. The scenes of Mighty Eagle are restricted in this edition. However, he is the sole birdie on Bird island, who gets added importance, other than our hero Red, which clarifies the affiliation between him and Zeta. The movie imparts strong positive messages for kids like teamwork, shouldering responsibility, redemption and peacekeeping. It encourages viewers to overcome past failures and work for the future, to trust friendly relationships, to treasure family values and to unveil the sensible aspect of each person during times of need. The film is a lightweight, humorous, leave-all-serious-thoughts-and-enjoy reasonable motion picture that guarantees laughs all through. Humour packed **ANGRY BIRDS 2** can make us laugh, offer us a comic book journey and in the end leave us with a goofy smile on our faces.



-Mathangi N, Grade - XI

READY PLAYER ONE

Cast: Tye Sheridan, Olivia Cook, Ben Mendelsohn, Simon Pegg and many others.
Directed by Steven Spielberg, based on the novel 'Ready Player one' by Ernest Cline

Let's begin now!

This escapade movie is a mega blockbuster, which pulls us into the world of fantasy and imagination. It reveals the hidden fortune that takes us directly to the year 2045, nearly 26 years into the future. James Halliday, a brainy nerd, creates a digital world game known as the 'OASIS', where people can do whatever they want, which they can't do in the real world. The game would only end if the players find all the three keys which must be won in three gruelling levels or situations. The main story is that the one who wins this game would own the 'OASIS', which has a net worth of nearly half a trillion dollars. Thus, people start spending all their money and time in the game, which leads to situations where they even try to end their own lives when they fail in the game, as eventually, they lose everything they've earned so far in their real life.



Wade Watts, the lead actor in the film, who's just 18 years old in the movie, makes sincere efforts to finish the game with four friends, whom he acquaints inside the 'OASIS'. Wade's great gaming skills and deeper understanding of James, the creator of the game, enables the team of five to solve all the mindboggling complex clues, that ultimately leads to their success. Finally, the friends jointly take over the 'OASIS' and continue their life.

The sci-fi story with mind-blowing special effects grabs the attention of all. Every segment of the movie is well coordinated. The cast have enthralled us with their portrayal of all the characters. The movie conveys a profound and vital message that nowadays people prefer to escape into a virtual and fictitious world and slither away from reality. The movie is a great eye-opener as it not only refers to the future but depicts the fathomless craze of today's scenario towards gadgets. People need to spend considerable time to live in 'reality' and stay away from 'virtuality'. The movie ends with the important note that 'Only reality is real'.

I would like to rate the movie, a 4 out of 5, since all the cinematic elements like story, screenplay, acting and effects have come out exceptionally well. I need to mention that there is a little more dominance of fiction in the storyline than science. It is a superb movie which inculcates good values in us and is irrefutably worth watching.

-Gopinath S, Grade - XII

Vāc

"Vāc is a powerful thing
From a simple rhyme to a song we sing
From its very first utterance, emotions are stirred
They live in our memory from the day they are heard
Vāc comes in different forms
But like us they do have a norm,
Vāc of right choice keeps your life warm,
Choose a wrong one you'll be stuck in a storm.
Vāc of thankful appreciation,
For helping out in a tensed situation,
Vāc of support from near and dear,
Makes one live without a fear,
Vāc of comfort when in pain
Always reminds hard work never goes in vain,
But be warned of the Vāc of hate
Stop them before it's too late.
It's always the Vāc and the choice
That makes one live life in poise
So, scan everything over and over with your eyes
But don't forget to think it for twice or thrice.
A conflict that exists in every soul
Good or evil
O! what can make us reach our goal!
Ponder about the company you join
For there are always two sides to a coin
With so many Vāc to be preferred
Why choose the one that should be deferred
Be the choicest of your Vāc mate
For a Vāc can change your fate."

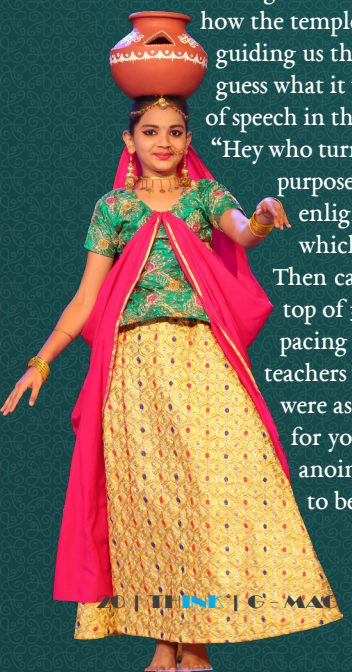




So, we began our day with an enchanting poem. Ah, my very first annual day in this ethereal dreamland called Geethaanjali. When I heard that our school was known for its bequest of enthralling the audience every year by weaving a message in the guise of an art, it left me astounded. Every school celebrates its annual function on a specific date, usually to commemorate its members, their dedication and as a platform to showcase their little one's talents. But to do it with a theme veiled with a message that differs each year is not something anyone can pull off easily. But, hey we Geethaanjalians are pros at mastering challenges of this sort.

When we proclaimed the theme for our 14th annual day as Vāc (word), everyone jumped straight on board our imaginative train. We were initially taken aback, how can anyone present the power of words through various art forms? And then it hit us, if we Geethaanjalians can't do it then no one can. To our pleasant surprise everyone brought forth their own crumbs of innovative ideas to the table, turned it into a banquet which we brought forth to the children. The kiddos jumped right in, jam-packed with excitement.

After paying our respect to the Almighty with diminutive feet twirling to the Muthagardham music, we could literally hear people say "aww ain't that adorable". Truly the special prayer song of Geethaanjali is one of a kind that can cast a spell on its own. But what makes it more beautiful is the teensy-weensy children dancing to its rhythm. Those bundles of joy paved way for the kindergarteners to slither in with the world's most adorable ramp walk ever. When they cut the first turf and waved in for the cowboys and cowgirls of grade Jr. K.G to hop in, the crowd went Heehaw! We just couldn't get enough of Geethaanjalian cutie-pies. But wait what about the big kids? They awed us nonetheless in the form of Rajasthani and Georgian forms of dance.



Ensuing the Vāc of dance, we were translocated to the battlefield of Mahabharat in the tongue of Hindi and then witnessed how the temple of Tanjore was built in our Thaimozhi Tamil. Truth be told, when the hosts of the show who were hilariously guiding us the whole night, to witness world class performances, gave us a heads up on the English drama, everyone tried to guess what it would be. Never in our wildest dreams did we expect a play of Dr. Faustus. Our scions marvelled us with their Vāc of speech in three different languages and with three different encrypted messages.

"Hey who turned off the lights?" That's what I was thinking when it got pitch dark with all the lights gone. They did it with a purpose of showing us, where the real darkness was through a shadow puppet show in the form of Vāc of light with an enlightening message. Our ever-supportive parents brightened the stage with their mobiles and saved the moment, which we can't forget even now. They were not mere spectators, but they were also a partaker of our D-Day.

Then came our show stealers. God, we never knew that we could hold our breath that long when our kids walked on top of 3 feet long sticks! This was by far, the greatest trend set in Geethaanjali's history. All of us teachers were literally pacing back and forth along with the children below the stage anxiously. Every time a child took a giant step, we teachers were ready to leap forward. And the audience, they went wild for the stick dance. It was all worth it. Most of them were asking for 'once more'. Like an icing on the cake came the splash of ink that forever left a mark in all our hearts for yonder years to come. They teleported us to the world of fantasy filled with bliss that soothed our soul and at the anointed time launched our most awaited "THINK MAG 2019", which was every Geethaanjalian's pride. It proved to be a legacy penned down by our own children.

What more can we ask for? True to our name we bettered our best!

-Aakila Rifana N, Dept. of Social

A FORGOTTEN AMAZING ART

Handwriting seems to have lost some of its charm over the latter years. Most of us avoid writing handwritten letters, instead started using digital means of communication with emoticons and abbreviations. Since handwriting is one of the very unique qualities of human beings, it has a tremendous expressive power, which a standard lettering isn't able to achieve. In today's age of electric typewriters and computerized typesetting, the idea of people glorifying the art of writing by using ink and pen to form new handwritten letters and words in the manner of the early scribes seems like an anachronism. Yet calligraphy, which literally means "beautiful writing," is being practiced by handful of people only.

Calligraphy was used as a basic tool for written communication. Over the years, it's influence can be noticed in architecture, decoration and coinage designs. It was never used as a form of decorative art; rather, it was viewed as the majestic form of letters. Today, you even an amateur can learn or practise calligraphy. Every skill needs certain period of time to master it, so does calligraphy. Observations are merely starting points, practicing a lot is the key to become as a calligrapher. Here's my piece of advice for learners, "Try writing a line a day at least, but write that line flawlessly!"



We've taken a small step on our grand annual day showcasing western calligraphy, including styles of Great Day, Gothic & Pinyon Scripts. Our calligraphy talents were beamed with a notion that, words have power. When we realise, it's very much helpful to design and achieve our dream. Through every miniscule action as the nib glides on paper, we tend to create and cultivate eco-friendliness. It is certainly a key factor to evolve and exist of our very own form. It radiates not what is seen on face, but also in multiple facets. We thrive through various obstacles only with unity and unanimity, which strengthens our passion and perseverance. We aim to be smart and sensible in every situation. The only way to live eternally is to educate and enrich the needy with knowledge. It thrives to give us a holistic triumph in academics, arts, sports, culture and values. Let's think and create a fervour to revivify the art of calligraphy.

-Ameenoor Raseed A R, Dept. of Computer Science

TNPL TALENT EXPO' 2019

We had a wonderful opportunity to explore our hidden potentials in the TNPL Talent Expo' 2019 on the 10th and 11th of August at Karur. We, the talent packed Geethaanjalians, graced the stage in various competitions like creative writing, storytelling, group discussion, cross-word, quiz, ad zap, semi-classical dance, oranga nadagam and villu pattu. Friends from different schools who belonged to various districts of the State participated in the Expo. Every participant exhibited hard work and dedication during the preparatory period which was well rewarded during the performances. We expressed ourselves as typical authors in creative writing and nimble narrators in storytelling. The artistic dance performed by our friends delighted the viewers. The audience and jury were astounded to witness our skills in villu pattu.The most awaited and anxious moment arrived when the results were announced. We really had the privilege of bringing laurels to our Pantheon with the 'Overall Championship Trophy'. We once again proved that not only do we excel in academics, but explore and cultivate our creative tendencies to build memories for a lifetime.

-Thaarani P S, Grade - VIII

MY SHELF [SHOWS] MYSELF

"About all you can do in your life is just be who you are"
Yes, my shelf SHOWS myself!
The fallen chocolate wrappers on the clover leaf show
how crazy I am about eating chocolates.
The bookmark of the novel shows
how lazy I am in reading my textbooks.
The names of my grandparents engraved on my shelf show
how much I miss them.
The sweet scaffolding of my family shows
how blessed I am in this world.
The little gifts from my friends show
how serene I am.
The aggrandized cosmetics show
how conscious I am about my allure.
The till simply shows how culpable I am.
Then I hear a loud scream from my mom, "Clean your shelf".
"And, when I cleaned my shelf, I just found myself."

-Amrin H, Grade - VIII

Turning Point



The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on August 28, 2019 decided to transfer a record high surplus reserve of Rs. 1,76,051 crores to the Government after approving all the recommendations of the Bimal Jalan-led expert committee, which was constituted to decide the size of capital reserves that the Central bank should hold. Every year RBI transfers a part of their surplus to the Union Government. But this year it is one of a kind event, in Indian history where the entire surplus has been transferred. Many economists have termed the move as a lifeline for the government.

While a few opposition leaders and economic experts including Shri. Raghuram Rajan and Shri. Urjit Patel, who served as RBI governors, raised doubts over the development. There was also a notion that as this transfer happened immediately after the reign of Shri.Urjit Patel. This was guessed as one of the reasons for his resignation because of the pressure exerted on him by GoI. A similar situation had happened earlier in Argentina, where the Central Bank of Argentina also transferred a huge surplus to the Government of Argentina. But unfortunately, this transaction adversely affected the economy of Argentina. It is now predicted that the same might happen in our country as well. Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman, the Finance Minister of our country, in her press meet, assured that their department is going to use this surplus for the welfare of the people and the nation.

This powerful move of RBI kindled our curiosity and led to a hot topic for our school debate. We, being the students of Commerce stream, wanted to analyse, "Is the transfer of 1.76 crores by RBI to GoI beneficial or catastrophic?". We gathered ample information and prepared ourselves for the analysis. There was a healthy discussion about both the pros and cons of the event in the school assembly. We concluded the debate with the thought that surely our Government will have plenty of rational options in dispersing this huge sum, to stabilise our dwindling economic growth with a foreseeing vision. We hope our country will soon be known as a developed country rather than a developing one.

Jai Hind!

-Lagan Mehta A, Grade - XII

VOTOS

For centuries, the development of computer programming, has deeply changed the way of human thinking towards life. A chance to create something new is one of the biggest opportunities when challenges are seen, since it is the beginning of logical thinking. This forward thinking has completely changed the traditional way of human communication and digital entertainment.

Every year, we have our school elections to reveal the future leaders inside us, by electing the student representatives to take position as members of the student council. We had been using the traditional ballot system till last year. This year, we proposed to develop a computer programme called "E-Voting", an application to replace the traditional ballot box system. According to our Geethaanjali Constitution and the norms of EC, we have about 1000 voters in our school, who are eligible to cast their vote, which comprises our students, teachers and non-teaching staff.

We put in a lot of effort and really worked hard to offer a savvy design. This E-Voting application is very cost effective because it can be used any number of times, over and over again. The feature of the application is such that, when the application calls the voter's name, only one vote can be cast by him/her at a time. After each vote has been cast, the E-Voting application saves the vote, along with the name of the voter in an excel sheet. So, it reduces any possibility of duplication. We can mark absent for a voter who didn't turn up for voting on the day of election. Re-counting of votes is also possible; in case any clarifications are needed in the final vote count. The ease to use pictures for party names and voice-based calling were some of the notable traits.

All our hard work was rewarded, when the E-Voting application was successfully implemented without any glitches and applauded by everyone. It was recognised as an optimum application which was quite efficient as well as effective in time management. The application proved to be highly secure, as the quality of being trustworthy and being reliable was truly ensured. It usually takes a long period i.e., almost a full day to cast 1000 votes. Instead, with help of the new application, the casting of votes was completed within a mere 1 hour 15 min. Even the counting or summarising took a fraction of seconds only, which helped declaration of results on the very next day itself. So, the total cost spent for conducting election was reduced immensely compared to ballot voting. Our true sense of social responsibility and concern towards the environment was evident in our actions when we saved lots of paper.

We realised that this is just the starting point for us to innovate. From here onwards, we know that we can, and we will achieve more and more along our way in every step that we take. The day is not very far away for us to launch a high performing software developed by us.

-Akhill A S, Grade - XII









BALLOT BALLAD

What comes to your mind when you think about politics? There might be lots and lots of issues like tall claims, false promises, manipulations, malpractices, sectarian thoughts, scams and so on. But in reality, politics is all about activities aimed at improving someone's status or increasing power within an organization.

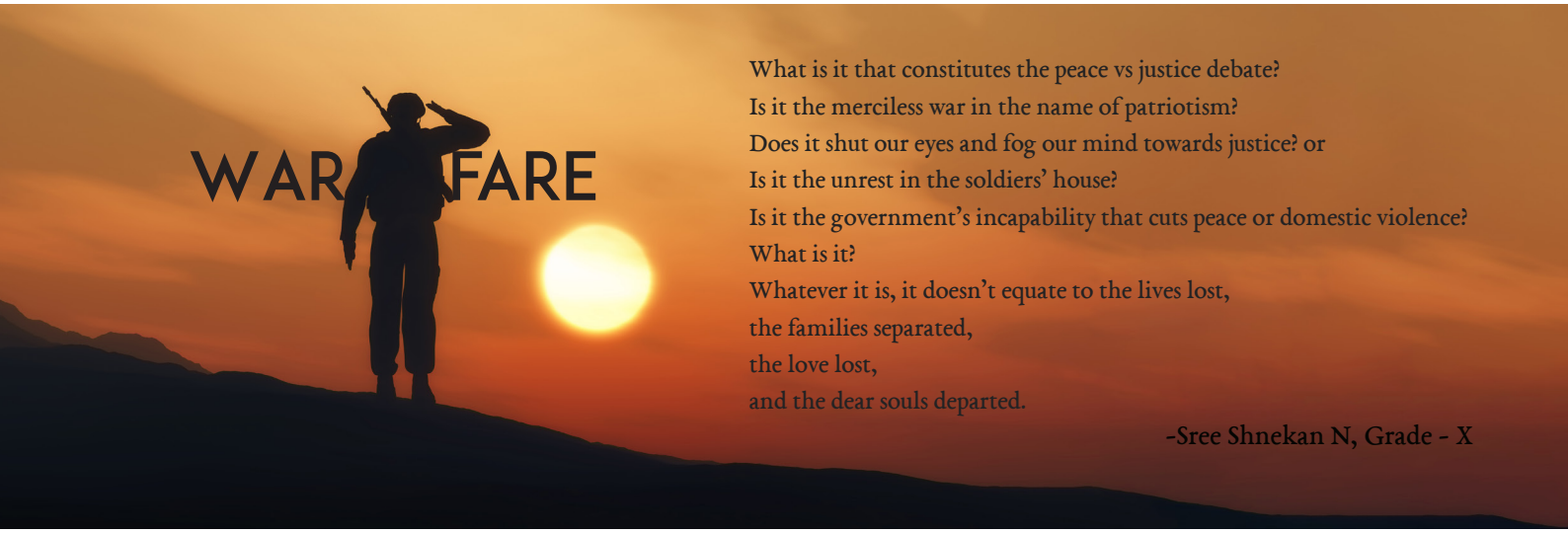
India is one of the world's largest democracies, which has travelled an all-embracing journey by upholding justice, equality, liberty and secularism for its people. The politics of India works within the framework of the country's Constitution. India adopted universal franchise for all, which many of the developed Western countries lacked till modern days. India, being a union of states, has travelled its 72 years of independence in a unified manner. The reason behind this success is the principle of federalism based on dignity, respect, tolerance and appreciation of others, resulting in respect for national identities, despite being separated into discrete regions.

In recent times, politics seems to thrive on bribery, patronage and electoral frauds. These activities must be weeded out, as they have serious impacts on the economic and social environments of our nation. It is the responsibility of the present and future generations like ours to create a new vision and dimension in the way of practicing politics. Firstly, we have to understand that politics is not just a matter of power and authority. It is an integral part of each society. It is all about collective decision making and it is the place, where we care and secure the interests of our society from rich and poor, educated to uneducated, without any bias or prejudice.

"Ballot is stronger than the bullet" is a powerful saying by Abraham Lincoln. Let's use every single vote, of ours, in an efficient and effective manner. As a responsible citizen, let's enlighten our self with the knowledge of political parties and their ideologies to cast our vote in favour of the right candidate, to widen our vision in serving our fellow humans. It is high time that we break the shackles and enter the realm of politics to transform our nation. This is the truest way to show our love and gratitude to our Mother India. As the father of our nation, Mahatma Gandhiji rightly opines, **"Man becomes great exactly in the degree in which he works for the welfare of his fellow men."**

Vande Mataram!

-Samson Chrysolyte A, Grade - XII



What is it that constitutes the peace vs justice debate?
Is it the merciless war in the name of patriotism?
Does it shut our eyes and fog our mind towards justice? or
Is it the unrest in the soldiers' house?
Is it the government's incapability that cuts peace or domestic violence?
What is it?
Whatever it is, it doesn't equate to the lives lost,
the families separated,
the love lost,
and the dear souls departed.

-Sree Shnekan N, Grade - X

SILENCE IN THE CHAOS

In our hypersonic world,
Nothing is slow-paced.
With people of various kinds
And the mind coaxing ones,
We have to find our own space,
Find our silence in the chaos,
Not to ponder on trivial matters
And send our soul into
Our own immense picture of life.
That annihilates the worldly
complications of anxiety,
And the utmost wrath of most.
The solution, one may wonder- is
Our silence in the chaos.

-Sudarsanaa M, Grade - IX

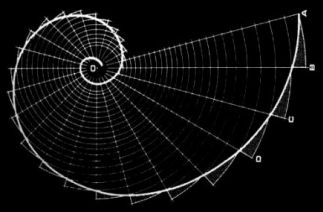
ENDING // BEGINNING

Every ending has a new beginning. The problem is that we normally see the end of something as the end of everything. It is thought so, especially when we aren't looking for that ending. During those moments when something ends, it is very difficult to visualise a new beginning. For instance, when a relationship ends, we normally do not see that as a new beginning or as a new opportunity. We look at that as a painful ending to mourn. This adverse behaviour consumes our spirit, making it impossible for us to see that as a new beginning.

Endings are usually quite hard to accept, as it requires us to start all over again. Some endings are easier to digest, whereas others may be little prickly that, tears our heart apart. Such an ending paralyzes our world and nothing in our lives seems to make sense. But trust me, there is always a reason why things happen in the way they happened. Every ending, no matter how hard it is, it is always a unique opportunity in disguise.

We need to keep in mind that, if the ending is not good or the one what we didn't expect, it is not an ending at all! Create new beginnings and explore new endings!!

-Supratha B, Grade - IX



MUSICAL MATH



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We may have all come across or heard of some great combinations in our life which complement each other to make things beautiful when they are together. Math and music is one such combination which can be enjoyed and cherished by all. They are both the subtle languages of the world. Unlike math, music has an emotional impact in all of our lives. Whatever happens in our life has a reason or a cause behind it and it requires a lot of emotional strength to overcome those situations (be it a difficult one that we don't like or one in which we are interested in). Speeches, advice, even poems may not be the perfect way to share something with the community. Music has a very strong thread attached to all of us. Its mesmerising lyrics and fantabulous tunes that makes one hover into its world and say, "Yes, this is what, is required at this point in time". Math is one thing that many think as difficult, but we need to understand that, "Difficulty" is the beauty in math. One small example is, it takes almost a century to view a perfect solar eclipse, and the next thing that comes to our mind is that, is it really worth it? Of course, yes. There is no doubt about it. Similarly, it may take a lot of time, patience and effort to understand math, but it deserves more than what we put into it. While exploring the subject, we come across a lot of interesting theories in numbers, which would seem completely crazy, but it still holds true. One example is, what would your answer be if I asked you the sum of all integers starting from 1 to positive infinity? Maybe we couldn't give an exact number, but we know for sure that is not a finite number. But interestingly under some special conditions in mathematics this infinite sum equals -1/12, which may seem totally crazy. This is one among a thousand such examples, we have out there. So, numbers are rather different from what we actually think it is. It's a kind of psychological potion, when we are into it we are addicted!

Looking into our practical world, in almost every single field, math is applied and there is one specific entity where it doesn't seem to play role but it does, which is music! We Indians have to be proud of our ancient Indian mathematicians who were basically musicians by profession but have implemented the knowledge of music in math to discover theorems as well as compose wonderful music. Hemachandra, one of the greatest poets, the real discoverer of Fibonacci series. He had already drafted and proved his theories during 1100s, which is almost 100 years before Fibonacci's time period. All ancient mathematicians who implemented their knowledge in things called numbers (numbers for them during those days were used only for accounting purposes) to create the greatest of discoveries which many other mathematicians do it as a full-time job. The two terms "Guru" (G) and "Lahu" (L), which are used in music as two different terms in mentioning the music notes. People like Hemachandra, Brahmagupta, Aryabhatta were very ambitious. So, they said "Why don't we try implementing these notes with numbers?" As simple as that! G and L were used with a set of rules in music notes, then as these were implemented in numbers, the repetition of numbers and their combination with respect to the music notes lead to a topic in math called "Permutations and Combinations".

Fibonacci Series : The Fibonacci sequence is a famous and well-known sequence that follows as: 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, 55, 89, … and so on, adding each term to the one before it to create the next term. That is, 5 + 8 = 13, 8 + 13 = 21, 13 + 21 = 34, and continuing infinitely. In music, the Fibonacci sequence can be seen in piano scales. For example, the C scale on the piano consists of 13 keys from C to C; eight white keys and five black keys, with black keys arranged in groups of three and two. In the Fibonacci sequence, the ratio between each term is very close to 0.618, which is known as the golden ratio. Note that, Hemachandra lived before Fibonacci's time period, so he had already implemented it with numbers and knew this fact almost 100 years before Fibonacci. So, as Indians, it is our job to therefore call it as Hemachandra series and not Fibonacci.

Pythagoras and Frequency : It was Pythagoras who realized that different sounds can be made with different weights and vibrations. This led to his discovery that the pitch of a vibrating string is proportional to and can be controlled by its length. Strings that are halved in length are one octave higher than the original. In essence, the shorter the string, the higher the pitch. He also realized that notes of certain frequencies sound best with multiple frequencies of that note. For example, a note of 220Hz sounds best with notes of 440Hz, 660Hz, and so on. The closest tie between music and math are patterns. Musical pieces often have repeated chorus or bars, similar to patterns. We look for patterns to explain and predict the unknown in mathematics. Music uses similar strategies. Musicians find notes that are rare (high or low) and less familiar. In this way, notes relate to each other. Relationships are fundamental to mathematics and create an interesting link between music and math.

(Music, Math, and Patterns by Natasha Glydon. Retrieved from http://mathcentral.uregina.ca/beyond/articles/Music/music1.html)

The relationship between mathematics and music is immense. It spans over two thousand years of history and involves hundreds of people ranging from mathematicians, musicians, music theorists and so on. Research and literature have been published on the different characters, eras and contributions involved. It would be impossible to discuss every aspect of this complex relationship within a small article of this nature. This article has thus provided a "snap shot" of this relationship. The relationship between mathematics and music is incredibly interesting and this exploration is one that could last a lifetime!

-Aadhavan S M, Grade - XII

Music right to my heart



Since childhood rhymes to garage grunge, everything is music around us. A life without music will be a flat one. Music is not simply a collection of frequencies or waves of sound, it is liveliness. I feel it's the only way to express those things which can't remain silent and expressed through words. A stunning feature of music is that; it has the ultimate power to energize the rejoicer.

Music can ignite fire in the heart of a person and bring tears within. Once the listener pays attention to fall deep into it. I love music because it is my true companion. Happiness or grief, it always shares my feelings. At times, I match the lyrics with my life. A song will either bring thousands of reminiscences or make one forget everything to begin a brand-new life. This is the power of music.

Music offers me new energy and a strong powerful sense of purpose and desire. Whenever I feel unhappy, I drown myself in music, to quieten my thoughts and when I feel joyful, I float along with music. When I am left alone with my thoughts, I safely fall in it. It's the best hiding place as many notice peace and soul through music.

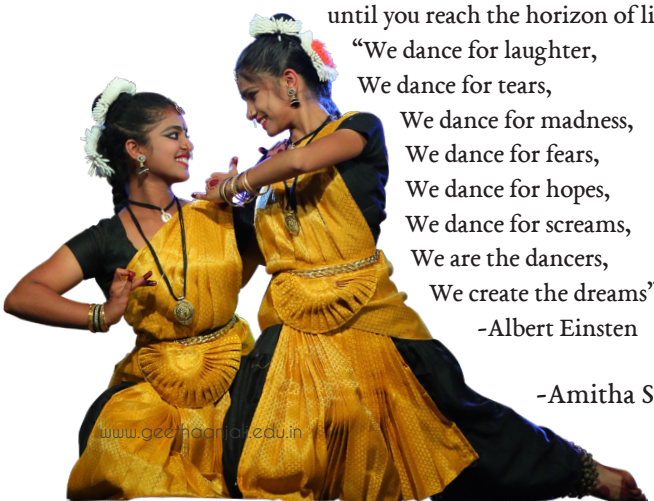
Music is my succor, with which I do my prep and spend my evenings with. The music that I hear shows the intensity of my happiness and my achievements. Anyone who understands music will feel its touch in your soul, whereas others may only hear it. It is undoubtedly an inseparable part of everyone's life.

-Vyshalee S, Grade - XI

THE IMMORTAL PASSION

'The job of feet is walking but their hobby is dancing'
-Amit Kalantri

According to me, dance is the most passionate way to express one's emotions, when words don't do justice. When we dance, we tend to connect with everything around us. It is a multisensory activity as a result of which, we hear the song, feel the rhythm and music, look at the applauding audience and make aesthetic movements. It is not just the body that performs the art, it is the mind and soul bowing along as well. A dancer shares the zenith of happiness as well as cavernous wounds with the audience through graceful expressions. The folks who dance, not only enjoy it; they feel like it is a breath of their life. Who said humans don't have wings? I think they must not have seen a dancer dancing ecstatically. Dance is simply a miracle that might not happen to everybody, as it's an elegant blessing from the Almighty. When I dance, I glide into the world of fantasy, where I just find happiness and nothing else. A few may just consider it as a part of life, while others like me, consider it as our way of life. So, dance merrily until you reach the horizon of life.



"We dance for laughter,
We dance for tears,
We dance for madness,
We dance for fears,
We dance for hopes,
We dance for screams,
We are the dancers,
We create the dreams"
-Albert Einsten

-Amitha S A, Grade - XI

Not a 'He', not a 'She' nor an 'It'

You are the envoy of soul,
Who abstains words for articulation;
A mother's womb you are,
Where develops, pristine humane;
Not a 'He' not a 'She' nor an 'It'
but a life inside every life.

A part of your pulchritude I see,
And slowly plunge into your never-ending sea;
A perpetual paradise indeed,
Where revives happiness and serenity in abundance,
When miseries and sorrows evanesce;
Not a 'He' not a 'She' nor an 'It'
but a life inside every life.

A mighty weapon of sound you are,
That brings peace, through loud silence,
When words strive to describe your entity,
You transcend even eternity;
Not a 'He' not a 'She' nor an 'It',
but a life inside every life.

Our hearts are where you settle,
Juvenile is what you make our fettle,
A versatile vehemence is what you are,
But you're always still as ever you are.
Not a 'He' not a 'She' nor an 'It',
It's MUSIC, a life inside every life.

-Aakash R K, Grade - XII

जादू

अक्षरों का जादू है शब्द
शब्द का जादू है वाक्य
वाक्यों का जादू है रीति
रीति जादू है आदत
आदतों का जादू है सम्मान
फूलों का जादू है रंग
रंगों का जादू है संगम
संगम का जादू है बंधन
बंधन का जादू है रिश्ता
इसान का जादू है हंसी
हंसी का जादू है खुशी
खुशी का जादू है सेहत
सेहत का जादू है परिश्रम
परिश्रम का जादू है उन्नत्ति
उन्नत्ति का जादू है प्रेरगा
समय का जादू है परिवर्तन
परिवर्तन का जादू है विज्ञान
जादू जो कुछ भी हो
सबका जादुगर भगवान
भगवान ही शश्वत है।

-Hazeera A, Dept. of Hindi

MY **FRIEND**

My friend is like an oyster,
who turns me into a classy pearl.
She is like an angel,
who escorts me to reap success.
She is like a pater,
who solves my puzzles.

I fall with her,
I stand with her,
I enjoy the bliss with her,
I share the sorrows with her,
I learn new things from her,
I experience my life with her.

My friend encourages me,
She soothes me,
My life is unfinished,
without you my dear friend,
Our friendship will last forever,
We are best friends forever.

-Namasvi U Gaglani, Grade - IX



PASSIONATE PALS

In the whole world
my friend is love to me.
Others are near too
but he's closest to me.
Whatever I need
he fulfils with no fears.
He makes me happy
conjointly shares my tears.
He encourages me
whenever I feel doomed.
He tells me the distinction
between sensible and compassion.
Others are also sensible
But he's the most effective.
Whenever I'm unwell
he worries that I rest.
He is my shade within the Sun,
He is my warmth within the cold,
He is my shelter from the rain,
He makes me extremely daring,
I am certain he'll do anything for me,
even if his comfort is spurned.

-Karupanasamy V, Grade - XI

An epoch of friendship

"Good friends are hard to find, harder to leave and impossible to forget"
-Anonymous

Student life is a phase where the child doesn't care about anything above the earth and under the sky. There is a famous saying "Student life is a golden life", which clearly implies that this epoch is the most crucial part of one's life to gain a true friendship. Good friends are like a single soul living in two bodies.

A true friend is someone who sees everything in your eyes, even when there is not an utterance of a single word.They can feel your pain, while everyone believes your smile. In spite of making many friends at later stages of our lives, no one can replace one's school friends.

School days are not only to make good friends, but also to treasure them, throughout life. Every one of us needs to use these valuable childhood days to create and cherish lifelong memories. When someone grows old and has no stories at all to share with the younger generation, they probably haven't lived a very interesting life. Let's live the student life to the fullest!

-Ritikashree J, Grade - IX



TRY TO LAUGH

What is the difference between?
i) a tailor and a nurse?
ii) a jailor and a horologer?
iii) a fisherman and a lazy student?
Answer:
i) One cuts the dresses and the other dresses the cuts.
ii) One who watches the cells and the other sells the watches.
iii) One baits his hooks and the other hates his books.

The thief was caught in the jewellery shop.
He was imprisoned and brought to the court.
Judge: Why did you steal?
Thief: Because I saw a caption board in the jewellery shop.
"Don't miss the golden opportunity"

-Suthan G S, Grade - IV

My precious gift from God!

A soul at no time expects a pay,
From my birth to this day.
Dawn to dusk with zest,
She seldom takes rest.

The Sun every day rises,
With her bouquet of surprises,
It sets with her kisses upon my head,
While she safely tucks me into bed.

She teaches me Maths,
When I rise, offers me snacks.
I simply love the cakes,
That she bakes.

Both of us make thick friends,
Our eternal bond ne'er ends.
Helps to create new things,
While she sings along my strings.

She bears my pains,
With all her strains.
Wipes away my tears,
And calms my fears.

I'm glad that you chose me
Definitely you're everything to me.
You share a love that knows no end,
You're always my best friend.

-Sakshi Agarwal, Grade – VI
our relationship be a true blessing



Only you

Only you, you are the first breath of my life. I'm able to feel in every aspect, what you think, what you need and what you don't. The best feeling in my life is when I see your smile and there's no one more precious than you in my life. Our life changes because of you. Only you can strengthen me and without you I'm nothing. Once I'm with you, my time flies fast and hope you will be in my life forever. You're the only one who stole my breath and embraced my heart. You're an inseparable part of me, my baby. Our life together has just begun. God gave me a precious tiny bud as a bundle of joy. I promise that I'll make you a responsible individual in our society.

Hold my hand, my baby
You are my universe,
My Sun, the Moon, and the Earth
Let's spend time together
As well as with papa
Let's go explore everything
Let's read fables and fantasies,
I'll be with you forever always
Hold my hand, my baby

-Hajeera S, Dept. of English

MOTHER
MY SWEETEST WORLD



Mom, I want to let you know,
You do a lot for me,
You blanket me with your warmth,
And you are always selfless.

You do a lot for me,
You deserve a great revere,
You are ever ready to clear my doubts,
More than God, you tolerate me.

You do a lot for me,
You fulfil my every wish,
You are the best example in my life,
We enjoy our lovely bond.

You do a lot for me,
You are an all-nighter to give me a delightful slumber,
When I go wrong, you guide me in right path,
When I am weak, you motivate me,
Hat's off mom, for all your supports.

You are the person with best devotion,
With whom I can share my emotion,
I want to be in your womb in my every birth,
I always love you my dear mom,
I am a blessed child; You mean a lot to me!

-Yhalenee L M, Grade - IX



ரௌத்திரம் பழகு

இன்றைய சூழலில் நாம் நிச்சயம் கற்றுக்கொள்ள வேண்டிய பாடங்களுள் மிக முக்கியமான ஒன்று - "ரௌத்திரம் பழகு". வாழ்க்கையோட்டத்தில் ஓடுவதைச் சில மணித்துளிகள் நிறுத்திவிட்டு சற்றே சிந்தித்துப் பார்த்தால், நம் ஆசான் பாரதியின் கருத்துகளை நாம் மறந்துவிட்டுப் பயணிப்பதாகத் தோன்றுகிறது. அவரின் கவிதைகளும், தத்துவங்களும் இன்றைக்கு மட்டுமல்ல, வாழ்வின் எல்லா நிலைகளிலும், அனைத்துத் தலைமுறையினருக்கும் நிச்சயம் பயனளிக்கும். "ரௌத்திரம்" என்பது தான் என்ன? "ரௌத்திரம்" என்பது ஒரு வகையான நியாயக் கோபம். அதாவது தனக்கோ அல்லது பிறருக்கோ அநீதி இழைக்கப்படும் போது அதைத் துணிவுடன் எதிர்த்துத் தட்டிக் கேட்கும் ஆற்றல் தான் ரௌத்திரம்.

அன்று நம் முண்டாசுக் கவிஞன் கூறிய கருத்துகளை நாம் கடைபிடிக்காததினால் வந்த வினைதான், இன்று நம்மைச் சுற்றி நடக்கும் கொடுமைகளுக்குக் காரணம். ஏனெனில், அநீதி சம்பவங்கள் நம் குடும்பத்தாருக்கோ, உறவினர்களுக்கோ நடக்கவில்லையே, அப்படி நடக்கின்ற பொழுது பார்த்துக்கொள்ளலாம் என்ற மனப்போக்கில் தானே இருக்கிறோம். இப்படித் தவறுகளைத் தட்டிக் கேட்காமல் மறைமுகமாக அவற்றை வளர்த்து வருகிறோம் என்ற பழியுணர்ச்சியின்றி வாழப் பழகியுள்ளோம். இப்படிக் கண்டும் காணாமல் இருந்து கொண்டு, தினம்-தினம் மனிதநேயத்தை நாம் தொலைத்து வருகிறோம்.

இவையனைத்திற்கும் மூலகாரணம் நாம் ரௌத்திரம் பழகாதது தான். ரௌத்திரம் பழகாததால் தவறைத் தட்டிக் கேட்க அச்சம்; அவ்வச்சத்தைத் தவிர்க்கத் தவறியதால் வந்த இந்த கோழைத்தனம். ரௌத்திரத்தை நாம் மட்டும் பழகினால் போதாது, இச்சமுதாயத்தில் இருக்கும் அனைவரும் பழக வேண்டும். இன்று வீட்டிற்கு வெளியே நடப்பது நாளை வீட்டிற்குள் நடக்காதா? அந்நிலை வர எவ்வளவு நாளாகும்? தவறைக் கண்டால் தட்டிக் கேட்க வேண்டுமென்பதை நம் சந்ததியினருக்கு சொல்லிக் கொடுக்க வேண்டும். இனியாவது எனக்கு ஏன்? என்றிராமல், முன் நிற்பவர் கேள்வி கேட்காவிடிலும் நாம் கேட்போம். தவறைத் தட்டிக் கேட்பதுதான் சரி, அதைத் தான் நம் பாரதியும் கூறியுள்ளார், என்பதை நினைவில் கொள்வோம். அதற்காக எப்பொழுதுமே கோபப்பட வேண்டுமென்று நான் இங்கு குறிப்பிடவில்லை. தேவையான நேரங்களில் நிச்சயம் கோபப்பட வேண்டும். நியாயக் கோபங்களைக் கட்டுப்படுத்த நாமொன்றும் ஞானி அல்ல, சாதாரண மனிதர் தான், ஆனால் கோழையல்ல!

-நிகுன் சஞ்சய் ரா, பன்னிரெண்டாம் வகுப்பு

Yummy Lips

I truly believe that no beauty shines better than that of a good word. We tend to speak with our thoughts, when we cease to be at peace. When the words no longer dwell on the solitude of our heart, they live in our lips. Everything we utter in our life, will be tested upon at some juncture. A good talk, though small, means a lot. Every place has the positive power to change our temperament. How is this possible? This is because we get peace of mind only when we are in a right place. Thus, when we utter a good word and listen to it, it has a very powerful impact on the peace to our mind.

> "Good words bring good feelings to the heart. Speak with kindness, always"
> -Rod Williams

A heartfelt talk of an affectionate mom changes an obdurate child's character. A genuine talk from a teacher transforms a pupil into an intriguing human being. A friendly talk from a father to his child ensures responsibility in life. An insightful talk by grandparents confirms their unconditional love to the younger generation. A peppy talk with our friends remains as pulchritudinous memories of our life. An inspiring talk of an activist gives its listeners the spark of becoming a colossal leader. At times, a talk about sweet nothings add spicy flavours to our lives.

> "Goods words are worth much, and cost little."
> -George Herbert

Let's utter GOOD WORDS FROM OUR YUMMY LIPS!

-Harshiya H, Grade - X

DOES OUR PAST DESIGN OUR FUTURE?



To look into the future, one must study the past. It covers the whole story of a human being. Few think it's essential to study history in order to make their future bright. There is also a view that, the past has no connection with the future. Different people have different beliefs and perspectives on this theme. This is because everyone will have their own experiences.

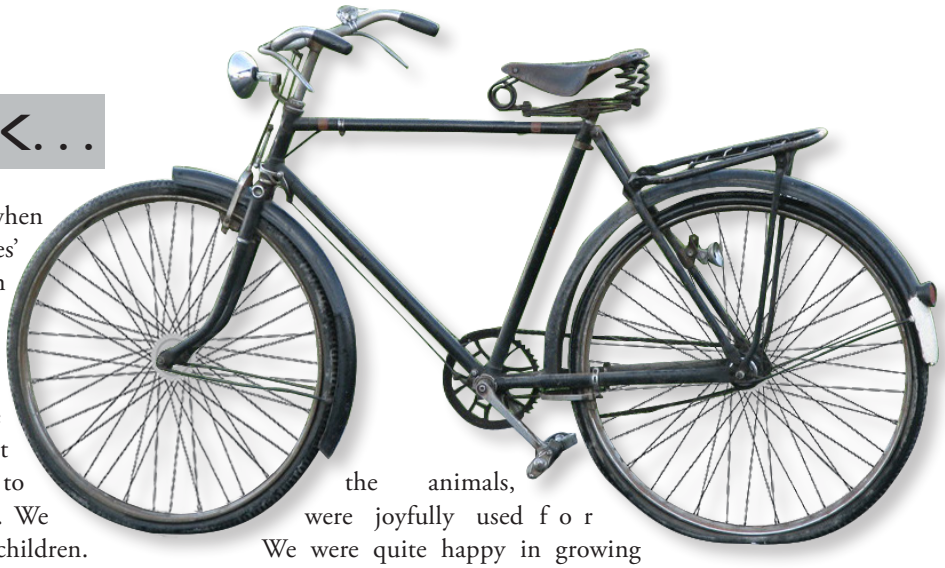
I feel that experience is another name for past, which influences on our future. This future can never be predicted, but we can strive to make it better, by means of our past experiences. It's true that our current life is a result of past choices, actions and practices. All of us have made our share of mistakes. Most of us would have experienced bad situations that weren't really our fault. Some of us would have come across circumstances so bad, that they could be considered even traumatic.

We all have feelings of remorse, regret, resentment and anger towards those who wronged us in our past, which directly affect our outlook of life. We feel like living in the past though we can't really change what has already happened. This made me realise that, past has a strong grip on the present, only because we allow it to do so. We must accept the fact that we have complete freedom to make wise choices right now, while we live the present moment only.

OUR PAST, no matter how bad it was, DOES NOT DEFINE OUR FUTURE. The choices and actions we make today will ultimately define who we'll eventually become. Let's make judicious decisions based on lessons from the past and apply it in the present so that we can live the life we ultimately deserve!

-Zynab Afeera Y, Grade - XII

WE WILL BE BACK. . .



Our origin dates back to the year 1817, when we were introduced as 'running machines' to the world by a German, Baron Karl Von Drais. We were the first means of two-wheeler transport after the Industrial Revolution. Owning us was a pride and prestige to people and we did help them to get jobs in Europe during those days. We, then, were so important in the life of mankind. Our birth was a boon to the animals, which were used for transportation purposes. We were joyfully used for recreation, sports and even used as toys by children. We were quite happy in growing tremendously in a very short span of time. But, this joy did not last long. Despite serving mankind, without harming mother nature, the thirst and desire towards better comfort, forced people to go for more sophisticated self-propelled vehicles. This is the era that started the fall of our reign. We were totally neglected in urban settlements and gradually we vanished away from countryside too. Alas! we were termed as antique by a few and scrap by most.

Oh mankind! tell us what harm have we done to you? Why have you totally neglected us? We are not jealous of your new inventions. Of course, they are faster, more comfortable and take you to places much quicker than us. The only concern is their over exploitation and our sheer negligence, which has led to serious health issues and ailments to you and mother nature as well. Now what has happened? You are in a pathetic state to use nostril filters, respiration masks and even pay for fresh air. You have invited a lot of respiratory diseases all by yourself. The earth is suffocating due to your combustion activities and pumping a lot of CO_2 in the air. You have never thought of the dire consequences that might happen in the future.

Now it's time to change your way and style of living. If not NOW, then NEVER. Save yourself and nature. We are ready to be back with a new dimension, shape, colour and structure - The CYCLE 2.0. We are ready to increase your muscle strength, joint mobility, cardiovascular fitness, by burning unwanted calories and decreasing body fat levels. Ride us every day and believe us for sure, we will take away your stress, control glucose level and reduce respiratory issues.

Let's travel on a cycle towards a better future!
What are you still waiting for? Call us and we will be there…

-Sanjay Darshan M, Grade - X

நூலகம் தேடி

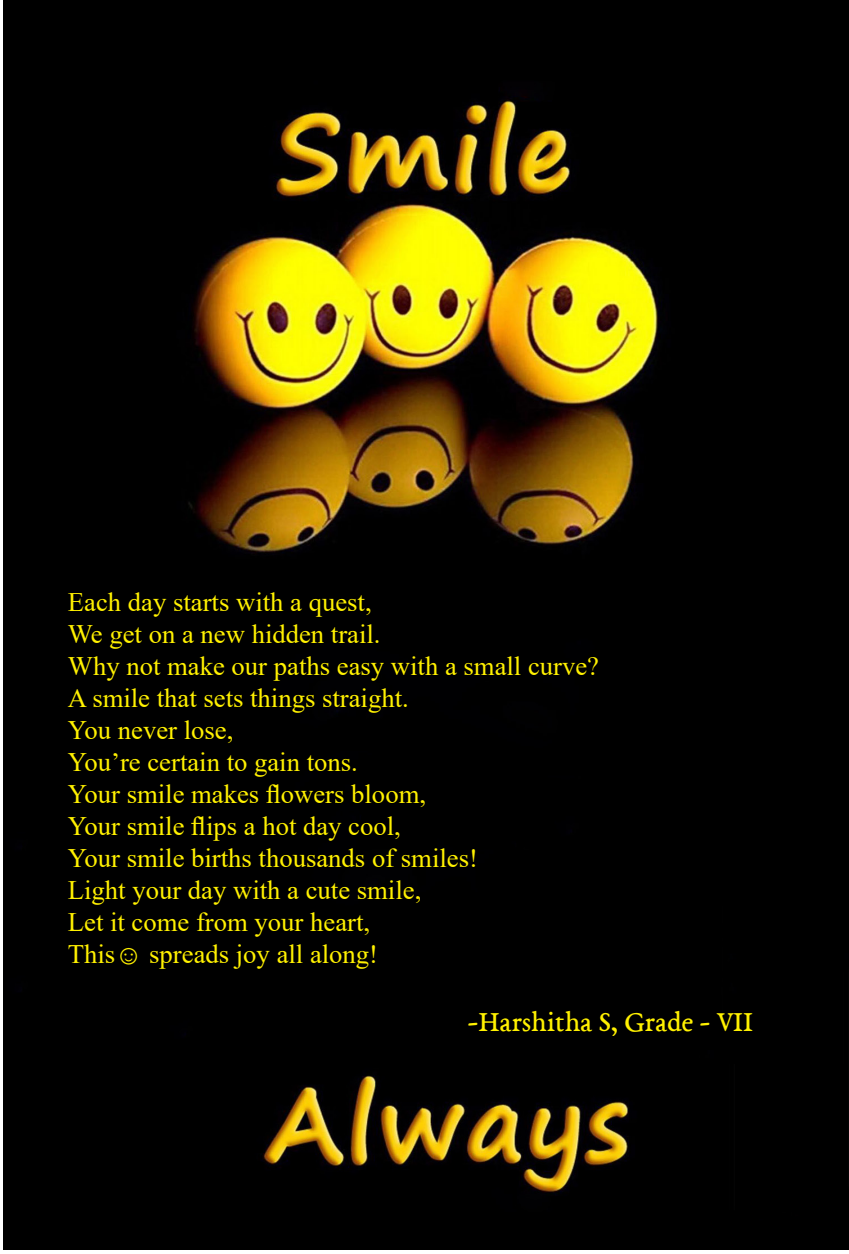
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சூரியனாய் பிரகாசிக்க
அறியாமையினை அகற்றி நின்று
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தாயன்போடு அணைத்திடுமே!

அள்ளித்தரும் உனது உள்ளம்
ஆனந்தக் கோவிலன்றோ
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சாதாரண மாந்தரையும்
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தலைக்கணமென்பது ஏதுமின்றி
சரித்திரம் படைக்க வைத்திடுமே!

எத்தனையோ தகவல்கள்
தனக்குள்ளே இருந்தாலும்
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நூலகம் தேடிச் சென்றிடுவோம்!

-யமுனா பாரதி மெ, நூலகர்



Each day starts with a quest,
We get on a new hidden trail.
Why not make our paths easy with a small curve?
A smile that sets things straight.
You never lose,
You're certain to gain tons.
Your smile makes flowers bloom,
Your smile flips a hot day cool,
Your smile births thousands of smiles!
Light your day with a cute smile,
Let it come from your heart,
This ☺ spreads joy all along!

-Harshitha S, Grade - VII



Almighty, make everyone a 10-year-old
Fill them with a 10-year-old's wonder
A 10-year- old's hunger
With a 10-year-old's curiosity
And a 10-year capacity
Give the 10-year-old's honesty.
Age rolls like a tide,
With rich experiences and joy
To create memorable moments in our lives.
Waiting to become a galaxy,
To make an endless flight in the bright sky
Being a 10-year-child is quite uphill,
With a stormy cloud inside the child -
Because the elders often chivvy us
For a 10-year-old's need
Oh God! Give a 10-year-old's insight!
To live this life blissfully,
As I'm a 10-year-old child!

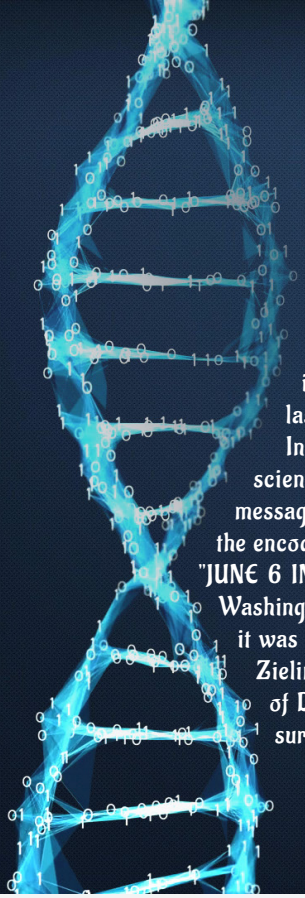
-Pranav Sai Raj S R, Grade - V

நாட்டுப்புறக்கலைகள்

கொங்கு கலை அறிவியல் கல்லூரியில் நான்காவது ஆண்டாக நடைபெற்ற கலை நிகழ்ச்சியில் ஓவியம், நடனம், பேச்சு, பாட்டு போட்டிகளில் ஈரோடு மாநகரின் பல்வேறு பகுதிகளில் உள்ள சுமார் 20க்கும் அதிகமான பள்ளிகளில் இருந்து ஏறக்குறைய 250 மாணவ, மாணவியர்கள் கலந்து கொண்டு தங்கள் திறன்களை வெளிப்படுத்தியதில் நம் கீதாஞ்சலிச் செல்வங்கள், "**மறைந்துவரும் நாட்டுப்புறக்கலைகள்**" எனும் தலைப்பில் நடைபெற்ற நடனப்போட்டியில்,

பாட்டன் பூட்டன் வளர்த்த கலைதனை
பட்டுப்போக விடாமல்
பட்டமரமாய் காயாமல் துளிர்க்கச் செய்து(த)
கலைகளை துள்ளலோடு ஆடிப்பாடி
துள்ளி வந்தனர் ஏம் மக்கள்...
ம(றை)றந்து போன கலைகளை,
மக்கள் மனந்தனில் தூவிட
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போட்டி என நினைக்காமல் பொக்கிசமாய் பாதுகாக்க
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வெற்றிக்கனியைப் பெற்று வந்தனர்.

-தமிழ்த்துறை



THE FUTURE OF STORAGE

We can store images, music and movies in DNA. Are you amazed? It is called DNA DATA STORAGE. We roughly utilize around a quintillion byte per day which are stored in data centres that have hard disks and solid-state drives. The storage on these disks is arranged only in the binary system i.e. 0s and 1s. On the other hand, our DNA is composed of four compounds, i.e. A-Adenine, G-Guanine, C-Cytosine and T-Thymine. A combination of any three of these compounds can make a CODON. For example: AGC, AGT and so on. So, the storage density is quite high in DNA, as it is possible to structure out a total of 64 codons, instead of just two digits in binary code. Therefore, we can store plentiful data in very little space. The data lasts for only 10 years in external storage devices like CDs or DVDs. But a DNA's half-life period is 521 years. In any conditions, the data stored in DNA can last for more than 10,000 years and it is guaranteed. Few curious scientists from New York tried to send a letter with a secret message through DNA in 1999. They encoded the message with a codon as AGC, AGT, etc. After encoding, they treated the DNA for genetic marking. They marked the encoded message in the DNA strands. Finally, when the DNA was decoded successfully, the secret message was: "JUNE 6 INVASION: NORMANDY", with absolute 22 characters. Microsoft and researchers from the University of Washington, in 2016, encoded about 200 MB data with "OK GO", a high definition music video in DNA strands and it was decoded easily too. A recent research in 2017, by scientists Yaniv Erlich of Columbia University and Dina Zielinski of the New York Genome Centre had astonishing revelations. We can store nearly 215 petabytes in 1gram of DNA. A petabyte is a million gigabytes. They have inferred that DNA has giant storage capacity and it can surely replace digital data.

SCIENCE FACT: Just 2% of our DNA storage is filled with our life records and the remaining is unused!

-Waafiq Raakin A, Grade - IX

MY MIND ISN'T IN IT

An independent mind, a happy heart,
Bounded to the living,
Crystallises the realm of soul,
Dulcet the quirk of mankind
Evocative embodiment of words,
Felicities the uproar of ardour,
Given the goal to reach,
Humans thus tend to halt.
Igniting the lamp of thoughts,
Jagged the obstacles in mind,
Keen on sharing the dream,
Lays the power of words.
More the world we see,
No to negative thoughts,
Ought to explore a lot,
Peaks to reach contented.

-Vanashree S, Grade - X

Unpretentious Heaven

A dynasty of blue and white,
Has twinkling stars at night.
Gives delight to all,
With glossy glow of the crescent.
Stretches its supremacy while,
Showering its sovereign mercy on all.

Mirrors its glimpse of splendour,
At gazing moments in gleaming ocean.
Blushes to spray the mist of love
To nurture nature with a green blanket.
A dynasty of blue and white,
Admired as an open treasure.

Being a sovereign pinion,
Allows us to sail throughout the sphere
Mizzles us with endless journey
None bargains its magnificence.
A dynasty of blue and white,
Is an unpretentious heaven.

-Swathi N M, Grade - VIII

PERCEPTION

When we just ink on the paper, it doesn't matter much. But if we think and use ink on the paper, it becomes a multifarious one. If we start thinking from the right angle, we can discover anything in the world. When we think about our shrinking globe, which elates us every day with new fantasies, we need to keep in mind that nothing is permanent.

Thinking is exquisite, but we really don't make it beneficial to us. It may truly prove to be a keyword for our efforts and accomplishments. Have you ever realised that our thinking has no boundaries? If we tend to work hard on our intuitions, surely, we'll succeed in our endeavours.

Start the draft of thinking right now. Do think and revise yourself. You can feel positive vibes within you, that can definitely transform you into an entirely new personality! So, let's think and ink now!

-Chikash S, Grade - VIII

impossible

Possible is a word that opens the door to infinite opportunities, while the word impossible always pushes a person backward by shrinking their abilities. A winner says "It may be difficult, but it's possible", while a loser says "It may be possible, but it's too difficult". Hard workers make everything possible, but people who hardly work will never make it possible. Millions of great men in this world may have different perspectives, but are always united in their perseverance. Today's fast world doesn't stop for anyone, but it has in-built pathways for success that need to be explored. In other words, "Opportunities are not provided, they are created". Create your own, with a simple small effort. "Failure can bring despair at most, but effortlessness makes our future dark". It is an undeniable fact that a person who tried and failed many times has more to tell, rather than a person who succeeded in the very first attempt. Thus, learn from success to repeat it and learn from failure to correct things.

"For you the most inspiring person is just YOU, so inspire yourself. A great day awaits you!"

-Praneth S, Grade - XI

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