

Cartan

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Tartan

Colourful Scottish Tartans are favourite designs in many countries. The tartan developed chiefly in the Highlands of Scotland. Scottish literature first referred to it way back in the thirteenth century and since then, the 'Tartan' has established itself as a beautiful and prestigious design.

The 'Tartan' design consists of stripes of various widths and colours. The stripes cross at right angles against a solid colour background, resulting in a pattern that's as distinguished as its historical significance, when each clan and family designed its own pattern .

Just like the 'Tartan' of yore, our school magazine 'Tartan' encompasses glimpses of the manifold curricular and co-curricular activities of our school and the creative talents of our children who come from different cultural backgrounds that blend harmoniously to create the Bombay Scottish School Tartan.

THE SCHOOL SHIELD AND CREST

The School Shield represents the 'Cross of St. Andrew, the patron saint of Scotland. The white 'Crux decussata' (cross) quarters the shield into four segments each representing a house denoted by Fleur – De – Lis, the Castle and the Lion and the Palm Tree.

OUR MOTTO

Perseverantia Et. Fide in Deo. These are Latin words. They mean 'Perseverance and Faith in God'. They are two qualities which personify the Scottish character. Scottish expects every Scottishite to do his duty and endeavour to achieve success in life by means of honest and strenuous effort, putting full faith in God.

THE SCHOOL FLAG

The School flag is sky blue in colour. It bears the 'Crux decussata' or the Cross of St. Andrew. Although never

officially adopted, the St. Andrew Saltire (cross) became the emblem of Scotland and has been flown for hundreds of years. It was incorporated in the Union Jack that became the British National Flag after the union of England and Scotland in 1707. St. Andrew was a fisherman and brother of Simon Peter. At first, he was a disciple of John the Baptist. He brought to Jesus the boy from whose lunch the Lord produced enough to feed a crowd of five thousand. Jesus later made Andrew his first apostle and promised to make him a "Fisher of Men". Andrew was crucified on an X – shaped cross called the Crux decussata'. He became the patron saint of Scotland as early as the eighth century.

St. Andrew's Feast Day is celebrated on 30th November. Funds collected on St. Andrew's Day were donated to the orphans of Bombay Scottish. These funds came from abroad. It is the sacred duty of every Scottishite to keep the flag flying high.

THE SCHOOL HOUSE SYSTEM

The House System was introduced in 1921. The Boy's Houses are named after Scottish missionaries who were closely associated with the Orphanage; they include: Haddow, Kennedy, MacPherson and MacGregor. The Girls' Houses are named after the Scottish queens, Anne, Victoria, Catherine and Elizabeth.



FLEUR DE LIS

This symbol is associated with scouting and guiding; represents honour and duty, the qualities cherished by Boy Scouts and Girl Guides.

Elizabeth (Girls)
MacGregor (Boys)



LION

Insignia associated with the Scottish coat of Arms; exemplifies courage and leadership and the desire to reach ever upwards to attain one's goals.

Victoria (Girls)
Kennedy (Boys)



SCOTTISH CASTLE

Evokes a home away from home. An impregnable castle, standing firm and strong in the face of all odds.

Catherine (Girls)
MacPherson (Boys)



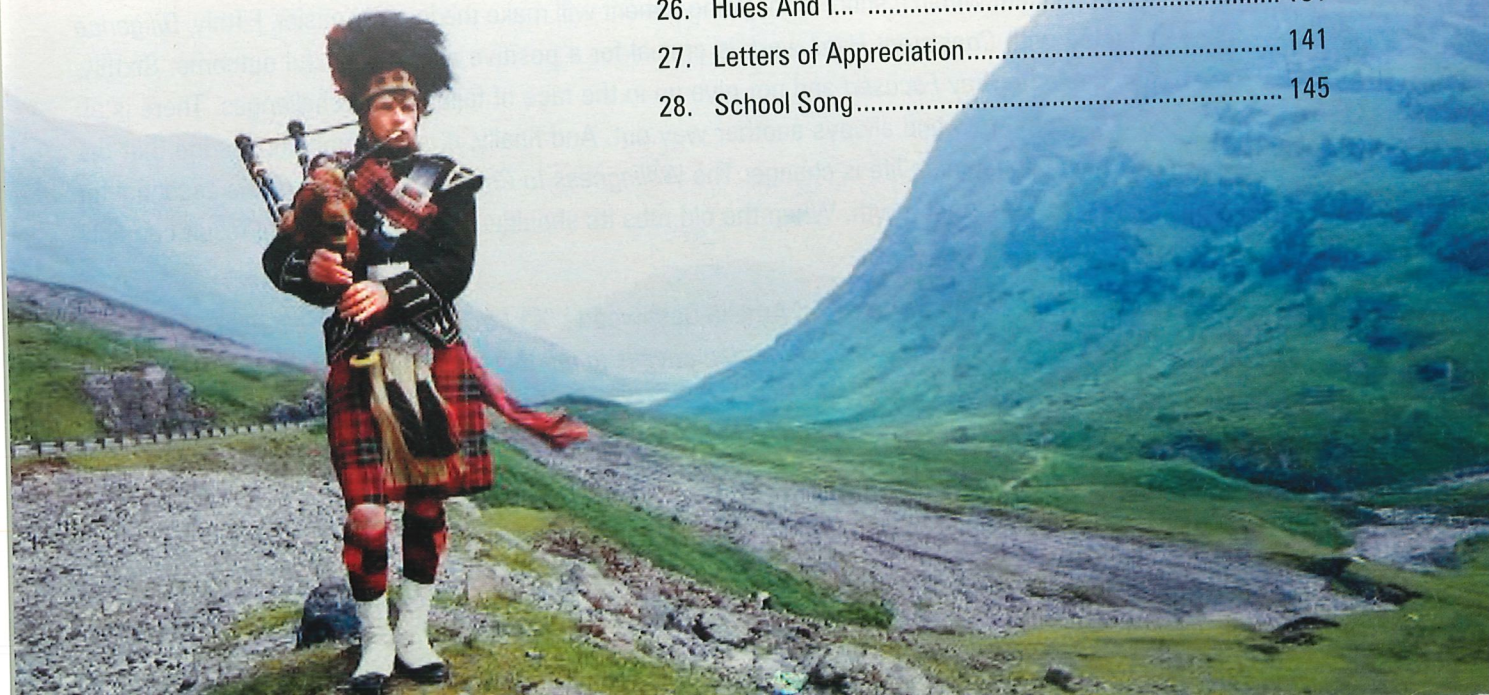
PALM TREE

Suggests the location of the school in the green palm wood where education would take firm roots and produce good fruits.

Anne (Girls)
Haddow (Boys)

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Editorial



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Roman politician and lawyer, Marcus Tullius Cicero once said '*If you have a garden and a library, you have everything you need.*'

While we recognise the power of books and words, Gardening, it is said, can be very beneficial and therapeutic too. However, like every good thing, it does not come easy. A perfect and beautiful garden is a product of many a components.

The foremost of these components is planning. The gardener has to first plan his garden well. He needs to have the knowledge of various plants and what they would need to thrive in the given conditions. He would need to grow diverse varieties of plants for the garden to be a healthy one. He needs to understand that the garden exemplifies the circle of life and therefore, he must not lose interest when the flowers die or fade away. Another important quality that the gardener needs to have is patience. He would need to constantly tend to the plants making sure that they are getting all that they need. While some may blossom and fruit soon, there will be others that may take weeks, months or even years to blossom and grow. The gardener would need to go about tending such plants without getting disappointed. For example, it is said that when a Chinese bamboo tree is planted, it does not give any result for 4 years. But in the 5th year it grows about 90ft in just 6 weeks. What has it been doing for 5 years? It has been growing strong roots. Had the gardener given up, the bamboo tree would not have seen the light of day.

Gardening teaches us many a great life lesson....

Firstly, *Planning* is crucial. To be successful in what we want to do, we must think it through, understand the pros and cons and then devise ways to work accordingly. Secondly, we need to *Be Equipped* with the required knowledge and skill necessary to achieve our goals. Thirdly, we need to acknowledge that there is beauty in *Diversity*. We need to acknowledge, accept and work with diverse opinions, thoughts, views and suggestions. It helps one not only to gain perspective but also to be productive. Fourthly, *Patience* is the key to success. The results may not be evident within a short term. Being patient will make the journey easier. Fifthly, *Diligence* coupled with *Consistent Hard work* is crucial for a positive and successful outcome. Sixthly, one needs to *Stay Focused* and not give up in the face of failures and challenges. There is always a tomorrow and always another way out. And finally, it is common knowledge that the only thing constant in life is change. The *Willingness to Change* with the times is essential for steady and healthy growth. When the old rubs its shoulders with the new, the result can only be magnificent.

Let me conclude in the words of Amelia Dashwood , "*As I tread upon emerald blades that gently sway below crystal skies, the garden unveils to me the philosophy of life.*"

Happy Gardening!

The Editorial team wishes to thank our Principal, Mrs. Sunita George for her support in bringing out the eighteenth edition of the Tartan.



From The Principal's Desk...

As I complete one year at Bombay Scottish School Powai, I would like to thank the management, staff, students and parents of the school for supporting me wholeheartedly.

While I am incredibly proud of the history of the school, I am even more excited about its future that thrives on the culture of innovation and excellence.

As we continue to revisit our teaching learning strategies and align it with the demands of the multicultural ever changing world, there is much that remains unchanged. Ethics, relationships and our commitment towards the community continue to be at the core of all that we do at school. This lays the foundation for a strong, self directed and conscientious alumni who have been our torch bearers in every realm of the society.

Research, collaboration, social sensitivity and independent thinking have been the distinctive focus while designing the school events and activities. Our professional staff, armed with new age tools have been working extensively towards enhancing the quality of instructions and taking the student learning experience to a new high.

Our students have done us proud by excelling in academics, sports and other activities. Our ICSE results 2016-17 have been exemplary. We have raised the bar by setting higher benchmarks. The effort of our teachers have been recognized and rewarded at various national and international forums.

We take pride in our achievements but for us the 'status is definitely not quo'

'Not a having and a resting, but a growing and becoming, is the character of perfection as culture conceives it.'

Mrs. Sunita George
Principal

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SR. KG. B: MS. CYNTHIA D'SOUZA



SR. KG. C: MS. RANI ANTONY

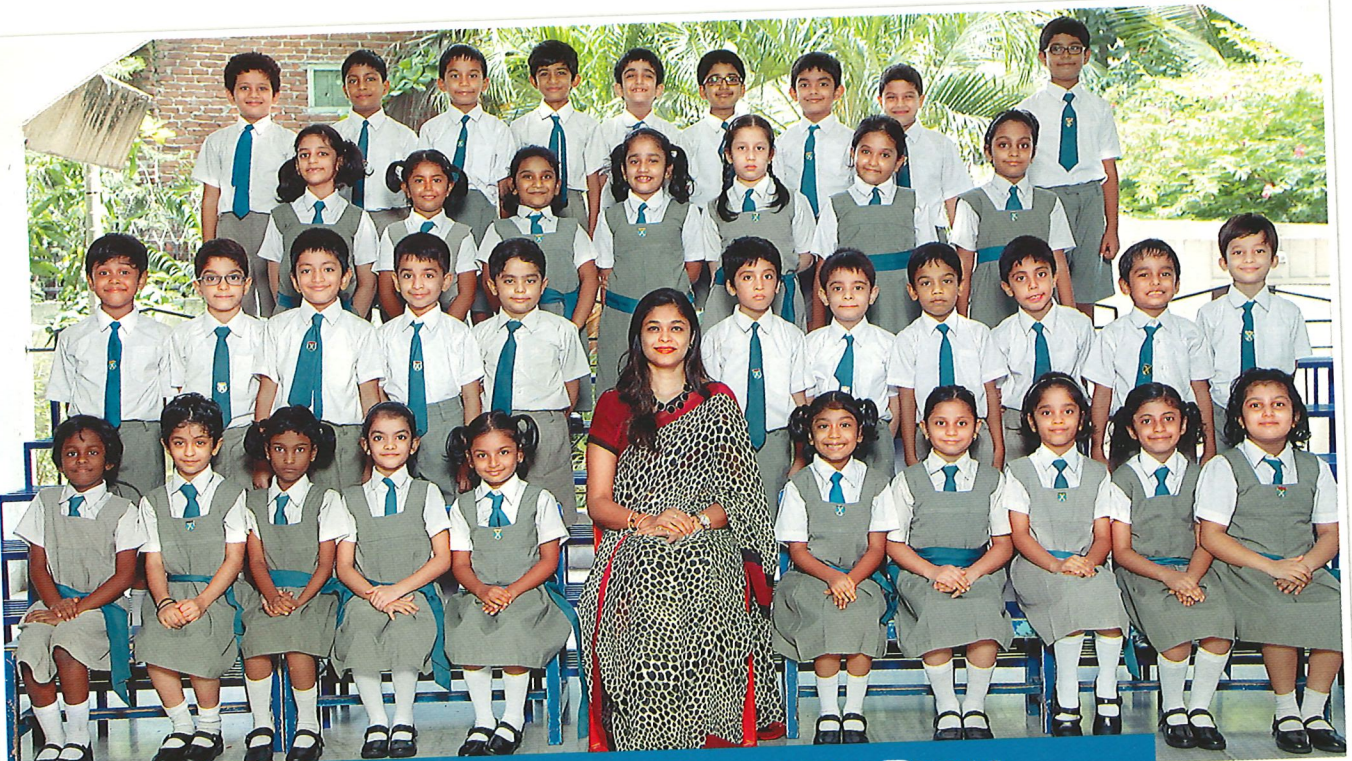
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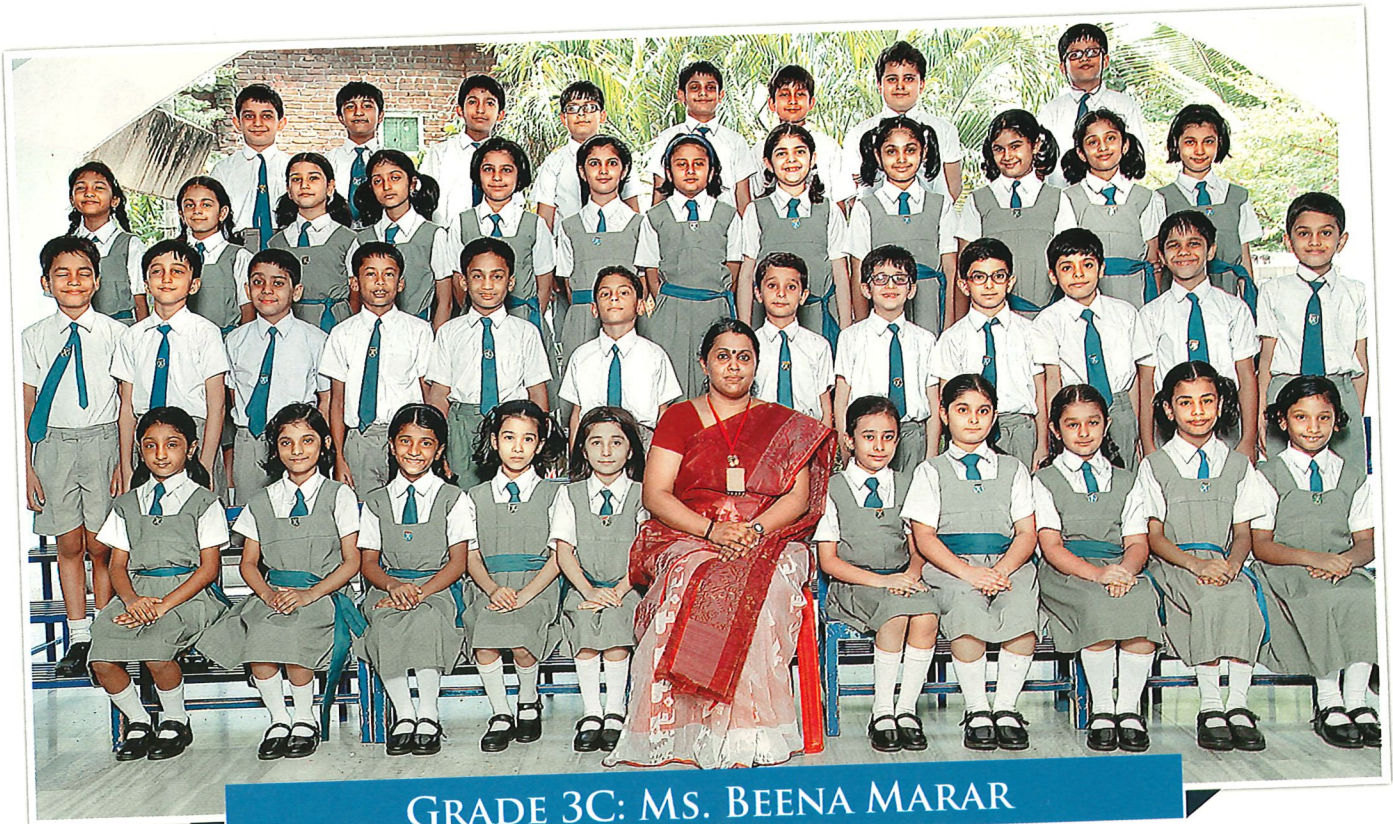


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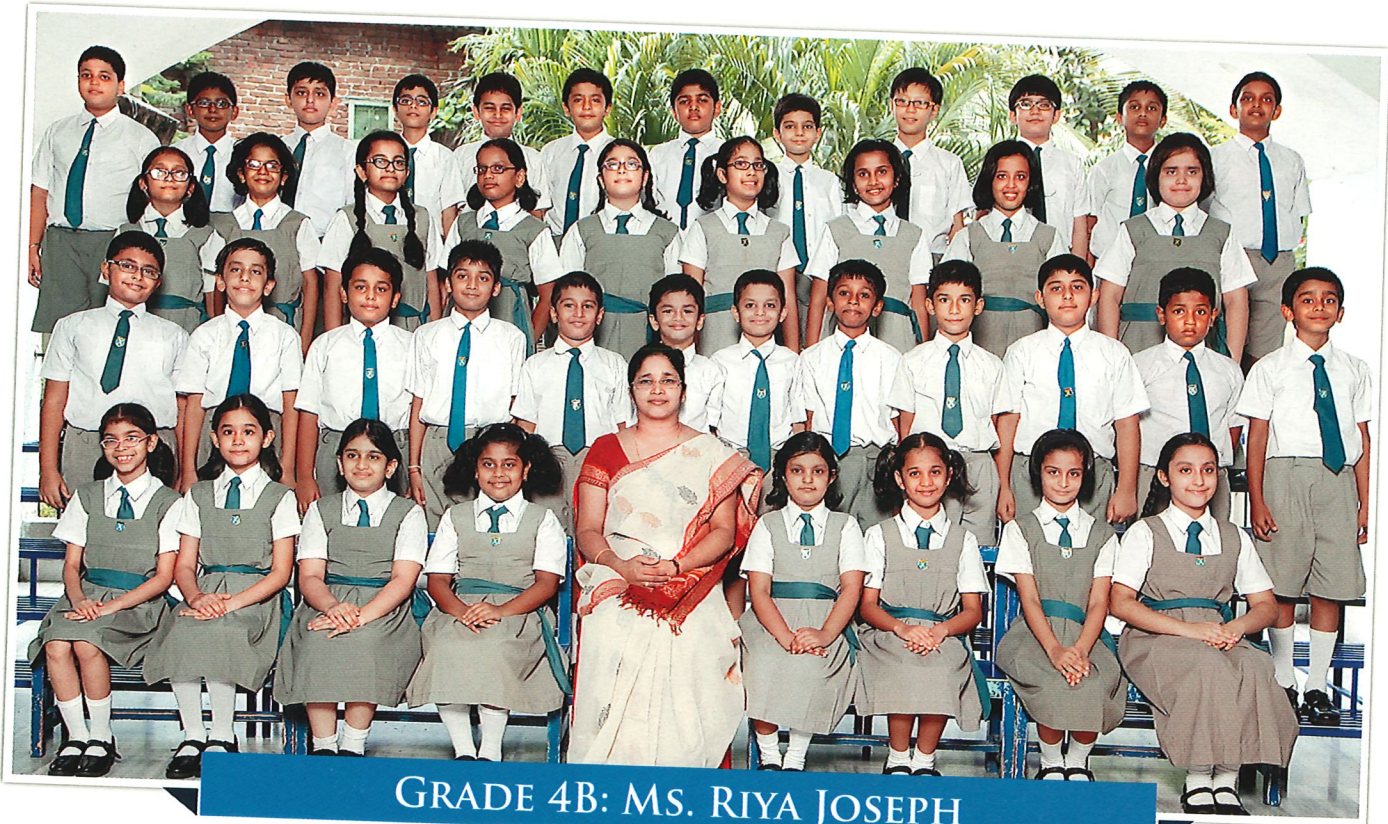
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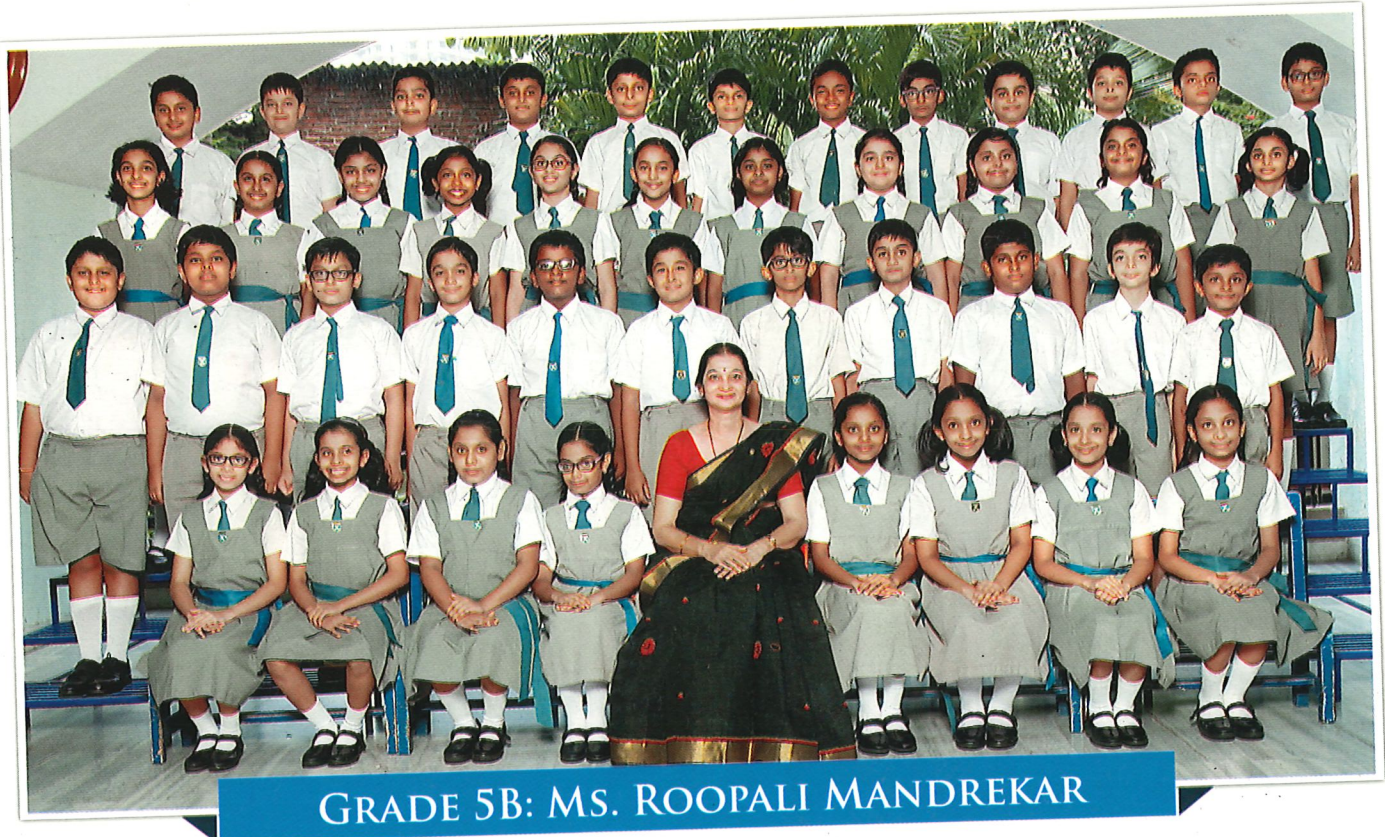
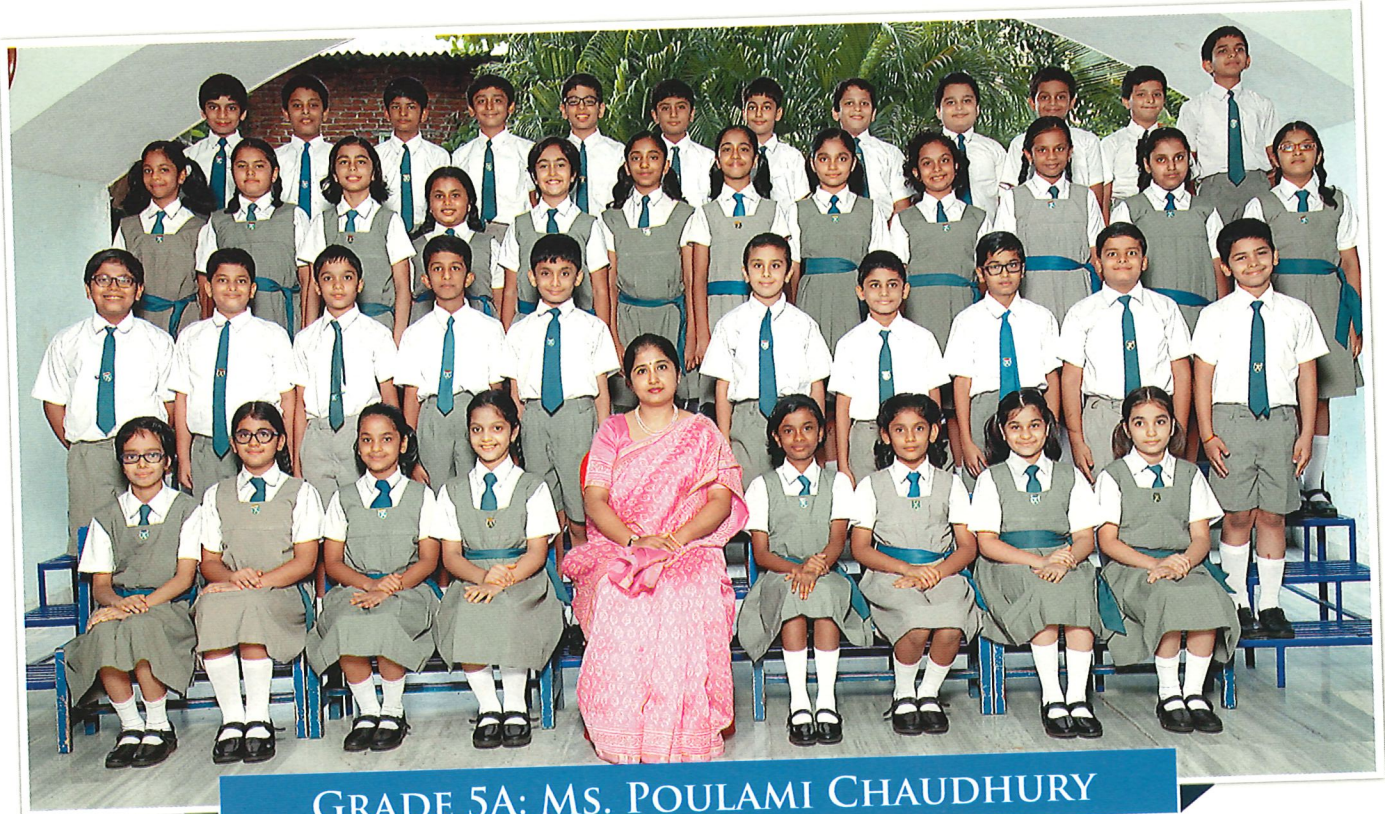
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GRADE 8C: MS. ASHA JAIN

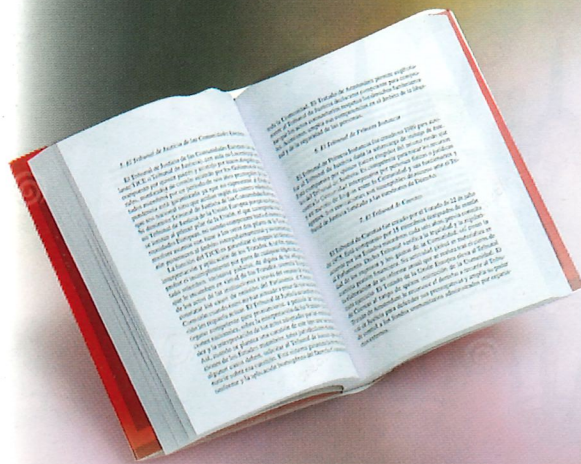
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GRADE 9C: MS. MONICCA DAVID



The capacity to learn is
a **gift**; the ability to
learn is a **skill**; the
willingness to learn is a
choice.

CLASS PHOTOGRAPHS



GRADE 10 - A

- Front row seated [L-R]:** Ms. R. Mandrekar, Ms. J. Stanes, Ms. H. Siddiqui, Coordinator for Grades 9-10
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SAC Ms. J. Kotian, Ms. A. Lewis, Ms. N. Sanga, Ms. N.S. Lakshmi, Mr. R. Chavan.
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Ms. J. Ramesh, Ms. S. Varghese, Mr. D. Bangera.
- Second row Standing [L-R]:** Nayan-Tara Krishnan, Joanna Vasudevan, Urvi Palkar, Yashika Lalwani, Ishita Pradeep,
Samantha Joseph, Paulomi Saraph, Tvisha Raghuram, Maskeen Kaur, Trisha Sanatani.
- Third row Standing [L-R]:** Prerak Kumar, Jay Trivedi, Archit Muni, Akash Shibu, Samaksh Ravindra, Shaan Bhatt,
Devansh Kishore, Raghavendra Rathore, Kalpataru Dash, Harshavardhan Ramadhurai.
- Fourth row Standing [L-R]:** Cynthia Borah, Avni Bhardwaj, Deborah Philip, Bernice Mathai, Arushi Kelshikar,
Tanvi Reddy, Shloka Shetty, Amber Pereira, Nidhi Yadav.
- Fifth row Standing [L-R]:** Anurag Nayyar, Joseph Henry, Yash Ajmera, Rishi Agrawal, Saharsh Narayan,
Sakshat Ravindra, Nehanshu Rao, Devesh Khurana.

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Ms.S.Daniel, Ms.N.Sanga, Ms.R.Ahlawat, Ms. A.Jain

First row standing [L-R]:

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Mr.D.Bangera

Second row Standing [L-R]:

Petrina Kennedy, Rajasi Mankame, Anu Oommen, Aarushi Singh, Sabah Khan,
Neeraja Barve, Tanaya Ranade, Thanmayee Gundapuneni, Ishika Agrawal, Vaishnavi Gadi,
Urja Maladkar

Third row Standing [L-R]:

John Masih, Daniel Augustine, Mehul Sahni, Rishab Muzhangathu, Adnan Mohiddin,
Gautam Venugopal, Harrshit Limbodia, Atul Toms, Aryamaan Singh, Ushnish Dasgupta,
Vedant Kothari

Fourth row Standing [L-R]:

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Shreya Jha, Latika Narvekar, Isha Bal, Drishti Goenka

Fifth row Standing [L-R]:

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Justin Chiriyath, Kshitij Ramrakhiani, Ronit Shetty, Pranav Menon

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Ms.N.S.Lakshmi, Ms.M.Verma, Ms.N.Rani, Ms. S.Varghese.

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Ms. R.Jayan Joseph, Ms. S. Daniel, Ms. N. Sanga, Ms. N.Sundaresan, Mr.D.Pandya,
Mr. R. Jamwal.

Second row Standing [L-R]:

Shalom Kusuma, Mahek Vyas, Mayanka Sarma Raghunathan, Ishika Wagle,
Tanvi Raipurwala, Nikita Potdar, Saino Varghese, Maahi Gilder, Zeriska Soans,
Noella Cherian, Bhavika Kucheria, Thaanya.

Third row Standing [L-R]:

Vatsal Kothari, Prashanth Joseph, Clare Amanna, Krishnamoni Kalita, Mikhel Mathews,
Swaminathan Hariharan, Anjan Nair, Samin Hijris, Amrit Rao.

Fourth row Standing [L-R]:

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Kavisha Agarwal, Sanjana Bapna, Bryan Francis, Neil D Souza.

Fifth row Standing [L-R]:

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*“Teamwork is the secret
that makes common people achieve
uncommon results”*



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Bombay Scottish School, Powai

Annual Report 2016 - 2017

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Bombay Scottish School, Powai

TWENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT 2016 – 2017

Hon. Chief Guest, Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is on behalf of the Committee of Management of the Bombay Scottish Orphanage Society, that I am delighted to present to you the Twentieth Annual Report for the Academic Year 2016-2017.

THE SCHOOL

The School established in June 1997, has completed twenty years. Today, we are deeply grateful to the Almighty for His divine assistance especially through the last academic year. I am indebted to the constant guidance and support of the Committee of Management of the Bombay Scottish Orphanage Society. I would like to place on record my appreciation of the Senior Academic Coordinator Ms. Jane Kotian for her untiring effort and co-operation, the consistent supervision of the academic coordinators, Ms. Selvaraj, Ms. Stanes, Ms. Chakravorty & Ms. Quadras, the sincere effort of the staff, the passion of the students and the unstinted cooperation of the parents.

NEW ACADEMIC YEAR: 2016 - 2017

The new academic year began on 6th June, 2016 with a prayer service followed by the Staff Seminar. A presentation regarding the curriculum of each Grade was made to the parents of the Sr. Kg. to Grade 10 on 07th June 2016. For Junior K.G, School commenced on 17th June 2016.

THE STAFF

To augment the teaching staff, Ms. Anuradha Mukherjee, Ms. Reini Raghuvanshi, Ms. Rubina Fernandes, Ms. Charu Malhotra and Ms. Vinita Pandey were appointed in place of vacancies that appeared for the academic year 2016-2017. I am confident that these staff members too will dedicate themselves to achieving academic excellence of the students placed in their care and in upholding the traditions and values of the School. At the end of the academic year, we bid farewell to Ms. Vandana Trivedi, Ms. Minal Modi, Ms. Ruchika Saraf, Ms. Monalisa Acharya, Ms. Minita Prasad, Ms. Asha Jain, Ms. Rajashree Sen, Ms. Sarah Daniel and Ms. Rani Antony who had resigned for personal reasons.

STUDENT STRENGTH

The student strength at the end of 2016-2017 stood at 1420. The demand for admissions continues unabated.

The Academic year 2016 – 2017 has been a fruitful year. The students have been performing well throughout.

ICSE EXAMINATION 2016 – 2017

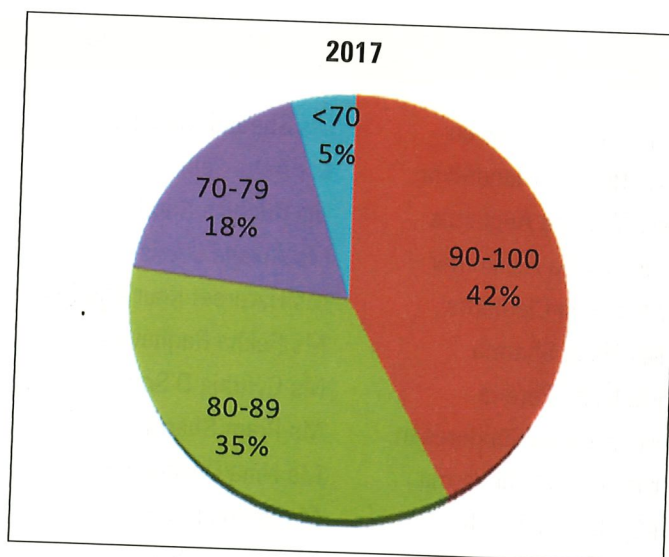
The ICSE Exams were held from 10th March, 2017 to 21st April, 2017. A total of 121 students appeared for the exam. The ICSE results were declared on 29th May, 2017 at 3.00p.m. All 121 students were successful.

Latika Narvekar topped with 98% overall. Kavisha Agarwal stood second with 97.67 % and Sanjana Bapna stood third with 97.17 %

Some of the highlights of the ICSE 2017 results are as under:

- 42 % students scored 90% and above
- 35 % students scored between 80% and 89%
- 18 % students scored between 70% and 79%
- 5 % students scored between 60% and 69%

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SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY:

The School's Nineteenth Anniversary was celebrated on 23rd June 2016. The day began with a special prayer service, invoking God's blessings on the School. Friendly matches were held for students of Grades 6 & 7 - Basketball for Boys (Blue House V/s Yellow House; Blue House won) and Throw ball for Girls (Red House V/s Yellow House; Red House won). Children enjoyed the colouring and drawing competitions



held for them as well. The day ended on a sweet note when every child went home with a bar of chocolate.

INVESTITURE CEREMONY:

The Investiture Ceremony of the new Student Council was held on 23rd June, 2016 wherein each office bearer took the oath to uphold the honour of the School. Shaan Bhatt took charge as the School Captain. Dyuti Kumar and Shlok Mulye as the School Vice-Captains, Krish D'Silva as the Boys Sports Captain and Poulomi Saraph as the Girls Sports Captain also took charge of their duties. The parents of Student Council Members were invited to witness the ceremony.

SENIOR STUDENT COUNCIL:

School Captain	Shaan Bhatt	
	GIRLS	BOYS
School Vice Captain	Dyuti Kumar	Shlok Mulye
Sports Captain	Paulomi Saraph	Krish D'silva
Captain Red House	Sanjana Bapna	Aryamaan Singh
Vice-Captain Red House	Arushi Kelshikar	Ujjwal Puri
Captain Blue House	Kavisha Agarwal	Kalpataru Dash
Vice-Captain Blue House	Maahi Gilder	Yash Ajmera
Captain Yellow House	Ishita Pradeep	Kshitij Ramrakhiani
Vice-Captain Yellow House	Priya Noronha	Pritish Kannan
Captain Green House	Latika Narvekar	Saptanshu Thakur
Vice-Captain Green House	Vaishnavi Gadi	Alan Balfour Manuel

BAND MAJOR: Aryamaan Mehra

Annual Prize Day (Juniors & Seniors):

The Nineteenth Annual Prize day for the Junior section and Senior section was held on 5th July, 2016, at the Renaissance Convention Centre, Powai. The function commenced with the School Choir singing 'The Lord's Prayer followed by the Twenty-Third Psalm, The Lord's My Shepherd'. Students of Grades 1 to 10 were felicitated for their academic

achievements in 2016-2017 by Advocate Ms. Abha Singh (Ex- Director Postal Services – Maharashtra & Goa). She inspired both students and parents alike with her views on women empowerment and raising a voice against corruption and injustice. It was a proud moment for Saachi Jain, who was the winner of the Principal's Commendation Gold Medal for being the highest scorer at School in the ICSE 2016 and for Aryamaan who won the George Jacob Memorial Silver Medal presented by the Committee of Management of Bombay Scottish Orphanage Society for being the Runner up at the ICSE 2016. The programme also showcased the prize winning songs and dance of the Inter House Competitions (2015-16). The Chief Guest released the Tartan for the year 2016-2017. Mr. V. Thomas and Mr. Y Alexander, Members of the Committee of Management, Mrs. Middlecote - Hon. Secretary of Bombay Scottish Orphanage Society, Mr. S.V. Albal- Administrator & Treasurer, Mr. V. Yennemadi, CEO and Mrs. Paul-Principal of BSS-Mahim graced the occasion. Senior Citizens of Raheja Vihar and a few others were also present as special invitees.

ANNUAL SPORTS MEET (JUNIORS):

The Twentieth Annual Sports Meet for the Junior Section (Grades 1 to 5) was held on Thursday, 02nd February, 2017 at the Aarey Bhaskar Grounds, Gokuldham, Malad (East). The Chief Guest for the day was Rev. Cecil Clements, Author of 'Corporate Capsules'.

ANNUAL ATHLETIC MEET (SENIORS):

The Nineteenth Annual Athletic Meet Seniors Section (Grades 6 to 10) was held on Friday, 3rd February 2017 at the Aarey Bhaskar Ground. The Chief Guest for the day was Air Vice Marshal, P.K. Srivastava, VSM. Mr. S.V. Albal, Administrator & Treasurer and Mrs. L. Middlecote - Hon. Secretary - Bombay Scottish Orphanage Society, special invitees and Senior Citizens of Raheja Vihar were also present for the occasion. The ex-students competed with the existing Grades 9 and 10 students in the Tug of War.

ANNUAL CONCERT:

The Annual Concert was held on 16th December, 2016 at the Fine Arts Auditorium, Chembur. Mr. Varghese Thomas, Mrs. L. Middlecote, Mr. S.V. Albal, Mrs. M Paul and Mr Ravi Nair attended the Concert.

A few highlights of the event were as follows:

A documentary prepared by the team of teachers and students on the impact of technological advancement on human behavior.



Collaborative involvement of students and teachers in the research of and scripting the documentary with the help of online platforms resulting in an increased sense of belonging.

Working the logistics to ensure that all siblings were in the same show thus parents were required to attend only one show to see the performance of their children

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• IMPACT OF BREXIT ON WORLD

A panel discussion on Brexit was organised for Grades 8, 9, and 10 on 12th July. The students were exposed to the impact of Brexit on world economy. The event was orchestrated by Grade 9A. An audio-visual with still animation, a power point presentation and a skit was presented by the students of Grade 9A. Grade 10 presented an interesting and captivating panel discussion on Brexit.

• EDUCATION TO SPREAD PEACE NOT TERRORISM

The students of 9C depicted the causes of increase in educated terrorism in the world through Power Point Presentation, skit and poem recitation. The students highlighted some of the causes that lead to terrorism i.e. anger, hatred, boredom, social injustice & poverty. The students discussed that often the victims are misguided by vested interests thus bringing out the relevance of education in developing independent thinkers. Angeline Jesudasan recited a self-composed, emotionally charged poem dedicated to the 17 soldiers who were killed in the terrorist attack at Uri.

• FUTURE OF INDIA OR FUTURE IN INDIA

A panel discussion was organized on the topic. The panelists present for the discussion were noted badminton player Upendra Phadnis, Defence personnel Air Vice Marshal PK Srivastava, Director, Gram Oorja Sameer Nair and Head of Operations, Community Code-Soham Bhatnagar. The students of 9B performed a skit on the topic to initiate the discussion. The panelists answered various student queries. The discussion was moderated by students of Grade 10.

• INSTALLATION OF PLAY EQUIPMENT:

Play equipment for the Kindergarten was installed in the first week of January 2017. Mr V Yennamadi CEO, Bombay Scottish Schools, inaugurated the Play

Area along with our Principal Mrs Sunita George and the students of Grade 1. The play area is now open to students of the KG section and Grades 1 & 2.

INDEPENDENCE DAY:

The 70th Independence Day was celebrated on 15th August 2016. The National Flag was hoisted by Air Vice Marshal PK Srivastava, VSM, followed by a Prayer Service. This was followed by a welcome address by the Principal. Students of Grades 9 and 10 presented a mime that highlighted various social issues like intolerance, responsibility of the media, and the wrongful use of social media. Grades 1 and 2 celebrated the 70th year of Independence on 11th August 2016. As a mark of respect to Indian leaders of the past and present, the students came dressed as leaders and presented inspiring monologues complete with famous quotes. Students sang the National Anthem after which they discussed history and relevance of the Tricoloured National flag.

REPUBLIC DAY:

The children of Jr. Kg. came to school on 25th January 2017, dressed in tricolours - saffron, white and green. The significance of the Tricolour in our National flag was explained to the students. Children were taken to the stilt area where they solemnly sang the National Anthem.

The National Flag hoisting was done by the Principal. The ceremony was attended by the staff, students and parents followed by a prayer service on 26th January, 2017. Students of Grades 6 – 8 were present. Students of the History Club put up a play. Chocolates were distributed to the students and breakfast was arranged for the staff.

TEACHER'S DAY:

Teachers' Day was celebrated on 2nd September 2016. The day began with a special assembly. Students of Grade 10 got into the role of teachers and managed the younger students. The students greeted the Principal and teachers with handmade cards. The teachers, office staff and support staff were given gift cards by the Management. Lunch was arranged for the support staff in school and the teachers were taken to Sai Palace, Andheri for lunch.

FREXPRESSIONS:

A intra-school fest 'FREXPRESSIONS' was organized on 15th November 2016 as a part of the Children's Day Celebration, every student of the school was given the freedom to participate and express themselves through a variety of



events. The students could choose from Clay modelling to 3 D digital model making, from beat boxing to preparing advertisements, from dress designing to salad dressing. There were activities for all ages, interests and talents.

The Pre- Primary section enjoyed tele games designed by the teachers

GRAND PARENTS DAY:

Grandparents Day was celebrated in school on 12th September, 2016. The Grandparents of the KG section were invited to school. Every section was given a colour code. They were welcomed with refreshments and gathered in the stilt area. Principal, Mrs. Sunita George spoke about how invaluable grandparents are to our families. The programme commenced with our young comperes from Jr. Kg & Sr. Kg., hosting the show in a confident manner.

The grandparents were touched by this gesture and acknowledged their appreciation as they left for home. The children have thus learnt to value and respect the elders in their homes. It was a very happy and an emotional day for all.

VALEDICTORY CEREMONY

The Valedictory Function was held on 16th February 2017. It began with the announcement of the Student Council for the year 2017-18. This was followed by the Valedictory prayer service for Grade 10 students as they prepared to write the ICSE exams.

FOUNDER'S DAY:

A prayer service was held for the students on 17th February 2017, while group presentations were organized for parents on 18th February 2017. The same was attended by Mr. S.V. Albal (Administrator and Treasurer of the Bombay Scottish Orphanage Society) and Mr. Vinod Yennemadi (CEO, Bombay Scottish Schools).

Students worked in groups to prepare presentations for parents that involved the display of academic learning outcomes. There were role plays, recitations, sociograms, forensic murder scene that required a thorough knowledge of Physics, Chemistry and Biology and application of mathematical concepts in our everyday lives.

The program which had 100 percent student participation, not only gave insight to the parents on the various new age learning tools like ICT, Google forms and other online apps

but also helped the children to improve their communication skills and self-confidence.

SMUN CONFERENCE 2016 at Powai:

The 4th edition of Scottish Model United Nations Conference at BSS – Powai was held on 23rd and 24th of September for the students of Grades 8, 9 and 10. The total number of delegates who attended was 86. This was the first time that BSS, Mahim students were invited to take part in it.

The following committees were decided on: 1. The Security Council (SC) 2. The Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) 3. The Disarmament and International Security Committee (DISEC). Ms. H. Kaur Choddha was appointed as the Secretary General of the Executive Board. Heated discussions and debates were a regular feature of every committee session thereafter. This resulted in the subsequent passing of fruitful resolutions in these two days.

The conference ended with the closing ceremony during which the accolades were presented by the Principal. The SMUN'16 was indeed a roaring success!

SMUN CONFERENCE 2016 at Mahim

Students from grades 9 and 10 were taken to Bombay Scottish School, Mahim for the Scottish Model United Nations Conference 2016, from 30th June '16 to 2nd July '16. The teachers who accompanied the students were: Ms. H. Kaur, Ms. T. Tamboskar and Ms. R. Sen. This year, the Thai Format was followed and the committees were as follows:

1. The Security Council (SC)
2. Social, Cultural and Humanitarian Committee (SOCHUM)
3. Disarmament and international Security Committee (DISEC)
4. The Joint Crisis Cabinet (JCC)
5. Special Political and Decolonization Committee (SPECPOL)

An opening speech was made by the Principal of BSS, Mahim, Mrs Molly Paul, the Secretary General and the Deputy Secretary General of the SMUN.

At the closing ceremony, many accolades were given out to those who were worthy. Scottish Powai won two accolades. Shaan Bhatt from grade 10A won the title of 'Outstanding Delegate' (Security Council) and Krish D Silva



also from Grade 10A bagged the title of 'Best Delegate' (Argentina) . The five verbal mentions include Nehanshu Rao (10 A) Security Council, Priya Noronha (9B) Security Council, Samantha Joseph (10A) SOCHUM, Amber Pereira (10A) SOCHUM, and Antriksh Sharma (10C) SPECPOL

With this enriching experience, our students returned to school as confident delegates and excellent orators.

SCOTTISH CUP

Inter School friendly match of BSS Powai and Mahim was held on 12th November, 2016 to 19th November, 2016 organised by the PTA members of both schools. The tournament encompassed six sports viz. Football, Basketball, Cricket, Chess, Table-tennis and Lawn Tennis

Following are the laurels brought by Bombay Scottish School, Powai

- Basketball - Won in U-14 boys category
- Lawn Tennis - Won both U-12 and U-14 category
Won in U-12 category
Won in U-16 category
- Table Tennis - Won in both U-12 Singles and doubles category
Won in U-14 Singles category
Won in U-12 doubles category

FAREWELL FUNCTION:

A Farewell function for the ICSE batch 2016-2017 was held in the school premises on Friday, 24th April, 2017 between 5:00p.m to 9.00 p.m. The programme began with a prayer

service and lighting of the lamp by the Principal, Coordinators and the Class Teachers of Grade 10.

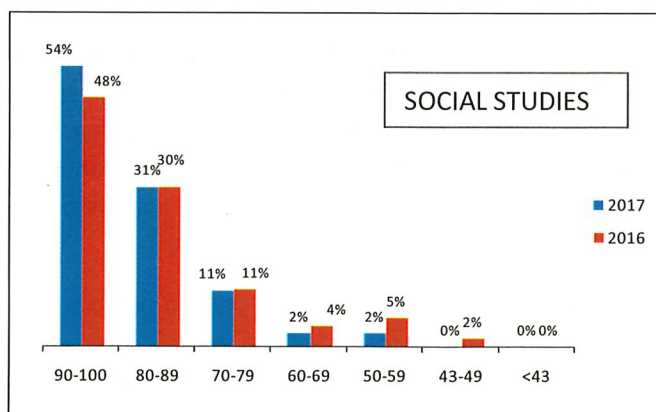
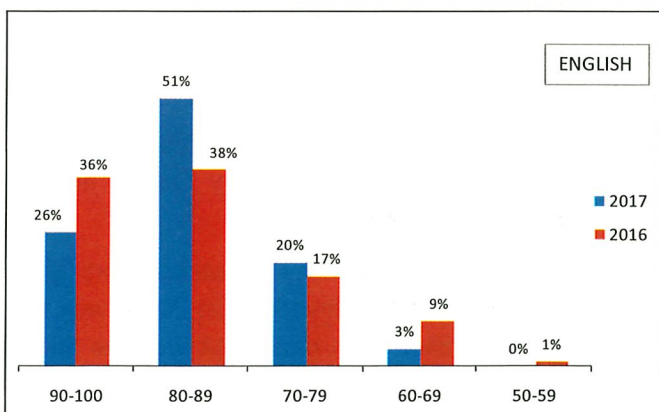
Dyuti Kumar was crowned BSS Lass and Prashant Joseph was crowned BSS Lad for the year 2016-2017. Dinner was arranged for the Staff and students.

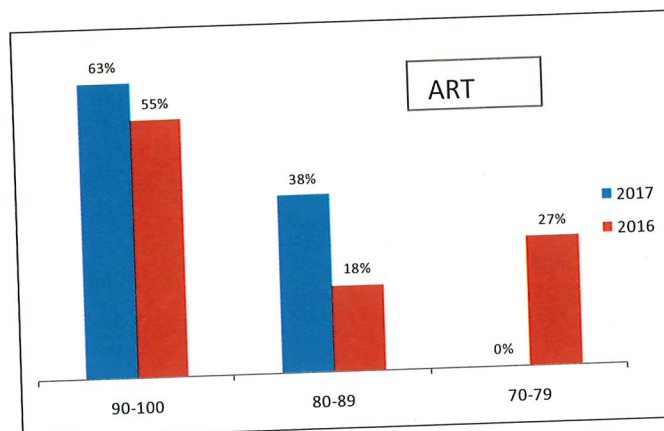
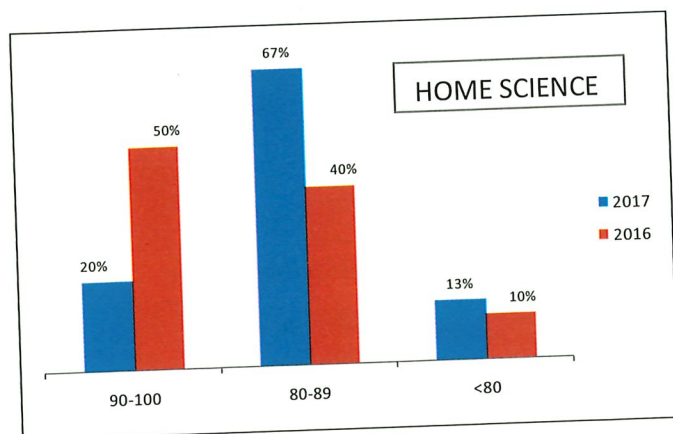
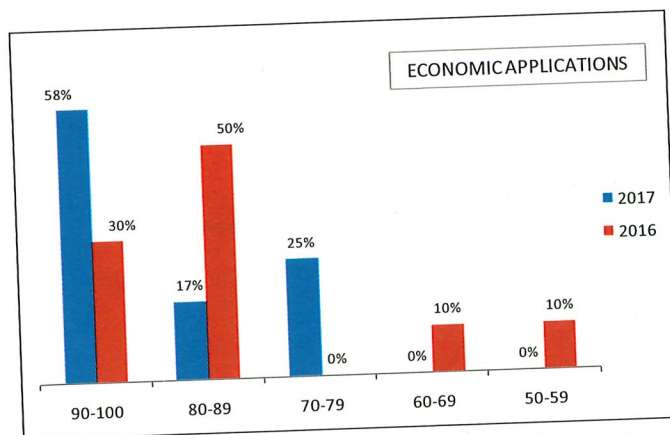
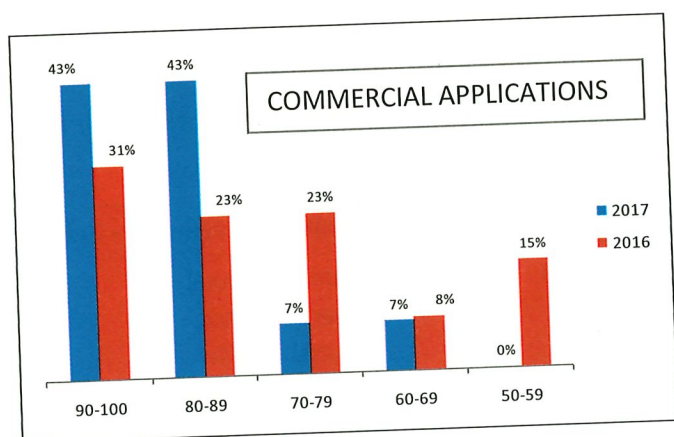
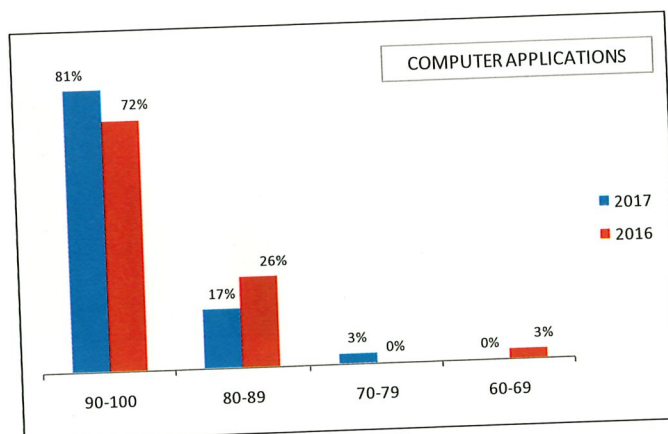
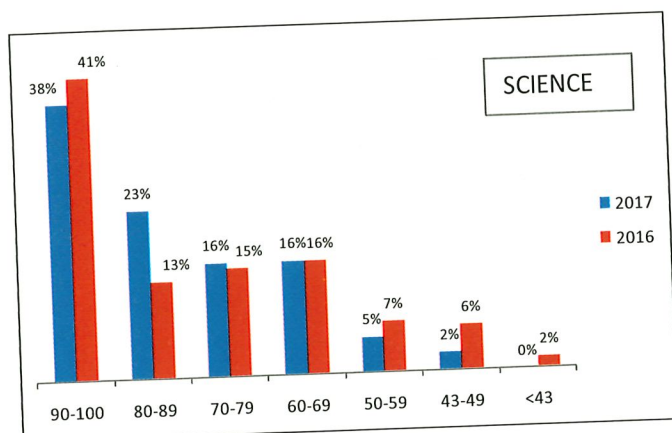
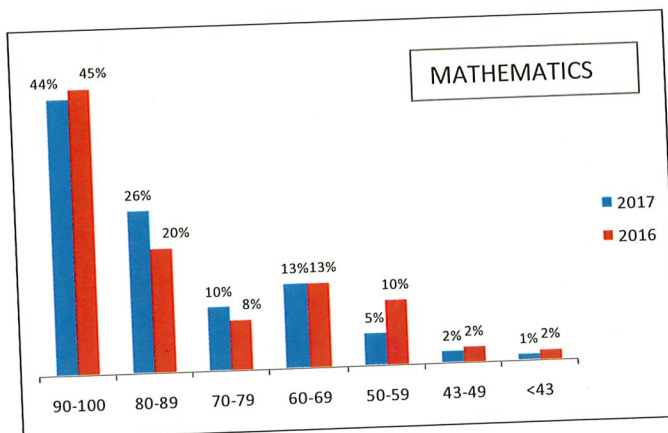
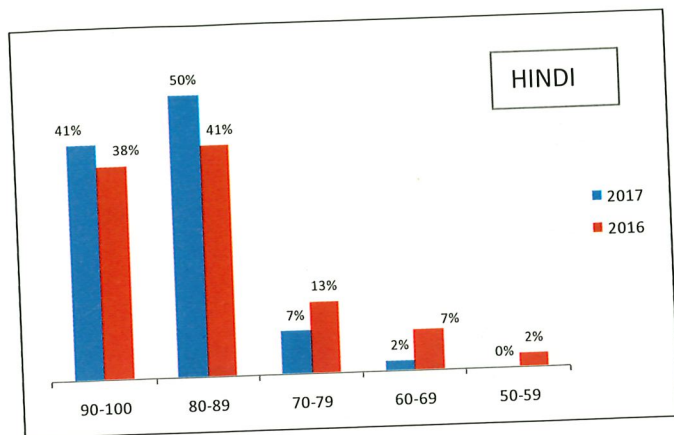
EVALUATION OF STUDENT PERFORMANCE

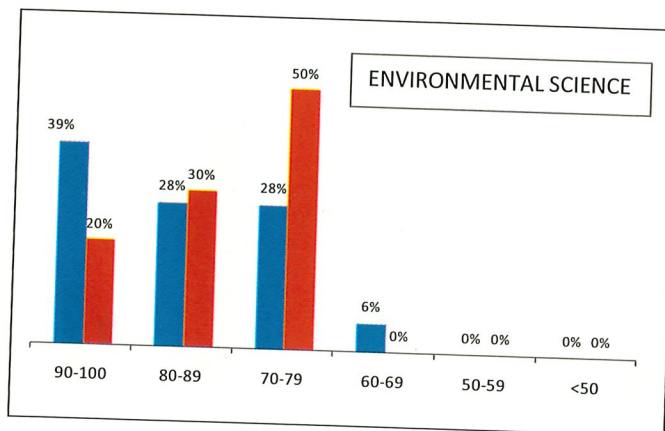
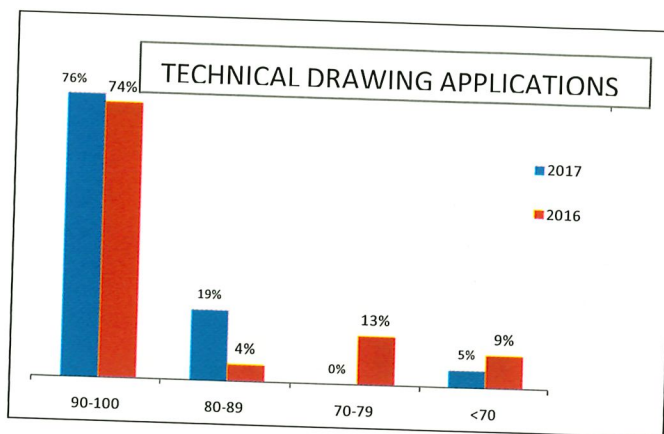
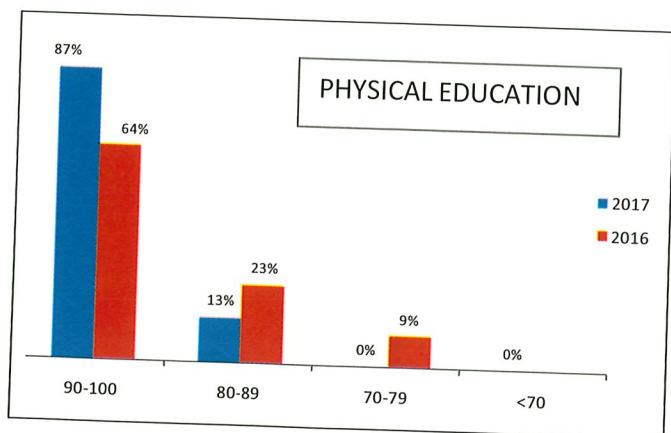
Student's performance from Jr. Kg. to Std. V was assessed through continuous comprehensive evaluations both oral and written, developing their linguistic and logical intelligence, through Open Book Tests, Projects, Oral Assessments and Multiple Choice Questions tests conducted for them. For Grades VI to X, besides written evaluations there were also projects and assignments assessed thus grooming the spatial, interpersonal, intrapersonal and naturalistic intelligences in the students. It has been the effort of the school staff to improve the degree of academic excellence of the students.

GRADE	NAMES
1	Vinaya Venkateshwaran
2	Shivank Tandon
3	Nysa Roshan
4	Saanvy Panda
5	Rajvini Rout
6	Ayush Chakraborty
7	Aditya Abhishek Agrawal
8	Shreya OM Preeti
9	Tvishaa Bagai

GRAPH OF ICSE (Comparative)







COMPETITIVE EXAMS: (INTERNATIONAL)

INTERNATIONAL ENGLISH OLYMPIAD:

The 7th International English Olympiad Exam (IEO) for Grades 2 to 10 was held on 19th January, 2017. The result is as follows:

Grade	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Medal of Excellence - Gold
II	Jolene Vianna Kotian	Snehal Mishra	Aarav Sahni	Gaurika Agarwal Chiara Solomon Priyana Singhvi Aahan Hemant Mishra
III	Belicia Joash M	Bliss Amaris Wilson	Kenisha D'souza	Ananya S. Gandhe Benjamin George
IV	Saumya Baskar Kabir Bachwani Pulak Banerjee Haldiya	Ritvik Arun Bhat Prakriti Gupta	Niki Sushil Tanna	Aditya Arakkal
V	Mahika Sarma Raghunathan	Mihika Arun Nair	Sumedh Pranay Narvekar	-----
VI	Neha Srinivas	Reah Rebecca Ninaan	Nysa Sanghvi	Netra Neelkanthan
VII	Khushi Bachwani	Kavya S Rola	Sahil Rao	Uday Tej Singh Agni Ray Aiden Correya



Grade	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Medal of Excellence - Gold
VIII	Mehul Basu	Ashwini Karthik	Meghna Ramaratnam	-----
IX	Tanishi Srivastava	Rhea Mall	Darsan Sunoj	Saumya Goel
X	Amrit Rao	-----	-----	Nandini Dixit

ZONAL TOPPER MEDAL – GOLD was awarded to Dhruv Narayan Grade 7

INTERNATIONAL MATH OLYMPIAD:

The 10th International Math Olympiad Exam (IMO) for Grades 2 to 10 was held on 1st December, 2016. The result is as follows:

Grade	Gold	Silver	Bronze
II	Nakul Srinivas	Snehal Mishra	David Benjamin James
III	Prisha Singh	Mariam Mathews	Ria Rochish Thaokar
IV	Naina Thomas	Saumya Baskar	Rohan Nagdev
V	Pranav Arun	Rajvini Rout	Anvay Borade
VI	Ayush Chakraborty	Divya Tulapurkar	Tanay Jain
VII	Aditya Abhishek Agarwal	Uday Tej Singh	Dhruv Narayan
VIII	Pathik Das	Shreya Ompreeti	Naomi Sunil Hegde
IX	Tanishi Srivastava	Avneesh Viswanath	Kaushal Sagar Kirpekar
X	Amrit Rao	-----	-----

COMPETITIVE EXAMS: (NATIONAL):

CYBER OLYMPIAD

The 16th National Cyber Olympiad (NCO) for Grades 2 to 9 was held on 20th October, 2016. The result is as follows:

Grade	Gold	Silver	Bronze
II	Nakul Srinivas	Ranith Senthil Nathan	Snehal Mishra
III	Prishna Singh	Priyani Saraf	Ria Rochish Thaokar
IV	Pulak Banerjee Haldiya	Kabir Bachwani	Manas Maraju
V	Pranav Arun	Rajvini Rout	Yash Agarwal
VI	Manya Nigam	Akshat Pratik	Ronit Shelar
VII	Rehaan Sardana	Aiden Correya	Aditya Abhishek Agrawal
VIII	Shreya Ompreeti	Mehul Basu	Manpreet Saini
IX	Chirag Goenka	Jennifer Arakkal	Sambhav Dhyani



The 19th National Science Olympiad (NSO) exam was conducted for Grades 2 to 10 on 24th November, 2016. The results are as follows:

Grade	Gold	Silver	Bronze
II	Snehal Mishra	David Benjamin James	Ishan Vasishtha
III	Vivien Sameer Jagmag	Ria Rochish Thaokar	Mariam Leela Mathews
IV	Saksham Gupta	Aditya Ventaka Konda	Mihika Agarwal Neel Solomon
V	Anvay P Borade	Swarnav Halder	Adit Gupta
VI	Divya Tulapurkar	Neha Srinivas	Ayush Chakraborty
VII	Ishaani Saha	Aditya Abhishek Agrawal	Soumik Chowdhury
VIII	Tanya Jason D souza	Anushruti B Gupta	Aayushi Mahajan
IX	Rohit John Mathew	Kaushal Sagar Kirpekar	Ojus Sharma
X	Amrit Rao	-----	-----

MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE - GOLD was awarded to Prishna Singh, Pulak Banerjee in the NSO Exam.

RESULTS OF INTRA-SCHOOL COMPETITIONS

1. Hindi Recitation & Hindi Elocution Competition (Hindi Divas)

Date : 19th September 2017

GRADE 1

Name	Grade	Position
Soham Baishya	1A	First
Bhavya Rajora	1 C	Second
Radhika Shiram	1 A	Third

GRADE 2

Name	Grade	Position
Shivank Tandon	2A	First
Vihaan Odhekar	2 C	First
Jolene Kotian	2B	Second
Snehal Misra	2C	Second
Reya Mathew	2A	Third

Grade 3

Kenisha D'Souza	3B	First
Nysa Roshan	3C	Second
Priyani Saraf	3C	Third

Grade 4

Vranda Bansal	4C	First
Asma Master	4C	Second
Prakriti Gupta	4B	Third

Grade 5

Joshua D'Souza	5A	First
Anvay Borade	5C	Second
Arshiya Agarwal	5B	Third

2. Spelling Bee Competition

Date: 26th September, 2016 (Grade 1 to 5)

27th September, 2016 (Grade 6 to 10)

Grade	Name of Student
1	Annabel Dainel
2	Ishan Vasishtha
3	Vaibhavi Venkateswaran
4	Rose Catherine Sabu
5	Arushi Singh
6	Tanay Jain
7	Lakshmi Krishnan
8	Meghna Ramaratnam
9	Sourodipto Roy
10	Saharsh Narayan



3. Math Wizard Competition

Date : 16th November, 2016 (Grades 1 to 5)

17th November, 2016 (Grades 6 to 8)

21st November, 2016 (Grades 9 & 10)

Grade	Name of Student
1	Aarjav Jain
2	Snehal Mishra
3	Rishi Saurabh
4	Saumya Baskar
5	Atharva Sheersh Pandey
6	Divya Tulapurkar
7	Shaun Francis Menezes
8	Shreya Om Preeti
9	Shlok Mulye
10	Latika Narvekar

4. Monoact and Elocution Competition

Grade 3

Name of Student	Position
Kenisha D'souza	First
Nysa Roshan	Second
Tvisha Narayan	Third

Grade 4

Name of Student	Position
Angela Chacko Koshy	First
Vranda Bansal	Second
Rhiannon Pereira	Third

Grade 5

Name of Student	Position
Aleeza Nazeer Khan	First
Sana Maria Jadhav	Second
Adit Gupta	Third

5. Solo Singing Competition

Date: 1st March, 2017

JR.KG

1	Jr.Kg	A	Ryley Lobo	First
2	Jr. Kg	B	Saasha Singh	Second
3	Jr. Kg	C	Kieron Rebello	Second
4	Jr. Kg	B	Shaun Patil	Third
5	Jr. Kg	B	Vivaan Benoy	Third
6	Jr. Kg	B	Jaiansh Sethi	Consolation
7	Jr. Kg	C	Anahita Gauba	Consolation

SR.KG

1	Sr. Kg	B	Aaliyah Patrao	First
2	Sr. Kg	B	Joshua Sibi Joseph	Second
3	Sr. Kg	C	Ankita Mallik	Second
4	Sr. Kg	B	Lakshya Deep	Third
5	Sr. Kg	C	Vedant Menon	Third
6	Sr. Kg	B	Jedidah Solomon	Consolation

Grade 1

1	1	A	Soham Baishya	First
2	1	A	Christopher George	Second
3	1	C	Samuel Winston	Second
4	1	B	Swasti Singh	Third
5	1	C	Anyar Sarangi	Consolation

Grade 2

1	2	A	Jasleen Chodda	First
2	2	B	Janessa Bibbin	First
3	2	A	Reya Mathew	Second
4	2	C	Snehal Mishra	Third
5	2	B	Ronin D'souza	Consolation
6	2	C	Myra Menezes	Consolation

Intra House Choral Singing Competition for Grades 3 to 5 was held on 1st August, 2016. Green House secured first position while Yellow and Red House secured second and third position respectively



7. Inter House Music Competition

Date : 9th September, 2016. (Grades 6, 7 and 8)

Names	Grade	House	Position
Swardhuni Pawar	8	Green	First
Divya Tulapurkar	6	Blue	Second
Rohit Menon	8	Blue	Third

8. Inter House Music Competition

Date: 09th September, 2016. (Grades 9 & 10)

Vocal Solo:

Names	Grade	House	Position
Priya Noronha	9	Yellow	First
Shalom Kusuma	10	Green	Second
Stuthi George	9	Blue	Third

8. Best Instrumentalist:

Names	Grade	House	Position
Rohit Mathew	9	Green	First
Karan Chawla	9	Blue	Second
Sam Selvaraj	9	Red	Third

9. Inter House Quiz Competition

Date: 20th February, 2017.

Grades 1 & 2

1st Position Blue House: Venzil Lasrado, Jolene Kotian & Vihaan Menon

2nd Green House

3rd Yellow House

Grades 3, 4 & 5

1st Green House: Cheryl Maria George, Vrandha Bansal & Siddharth Ravi

2nd Yellow House

3rd Red House

4th Blue House

Grades 6, 7 & 8

1st Blue House: Rohit Menon, Aditya Agarwal & Reuben J. Rouse

2nd Green House

3rd Red House

4th Yellow House

Grades 9 & 10

1st Green House: Alan Manuel, Ira Srivastava & Tanvi Reddy

2nd Red House

3rd Blue House

4th Yellow House

INTER SCHOOL COMPETITIONS:

Naomi Hegde from Grade 7 was a topper for the Asset Talent Scholar in English (96.6%). She was awarded a Certificate and a Medal by the Principal Mrs. Sunita George along with Mr. Deepak Sharma-Regional Manager and Mr. Romi Banerjee, Senior Manager from Asset Talent on 01st July, 2016, during the school assembly.

Apeksha Fernandes of Grade 6 C won the following in the Maharashtra State Inter ICSE Schools Aquatic Meet held on 30th Aug'16 at the Ozone Swimming Pool, Gold medal in 100 metres Breast Stroke, Silver in 50 metres Breast Stroke, Silver in 100 metres Butterfly Stroke

Ivanna Karkada of Grade 3B won a bronze medal in the balancing beam apparatus at a competition held at Goregaon Sports Complex held on 18th September, 2016. The event was organized for Gymnast Identification and Development Programme for Olympic Project 2020-24, Mumbai Division.

Alisha Dhanasingh secured 1st place in Judo (U-12 girls) in Maharashtra Region Inter ICSE Schools Mumbai held on 24th Sept'16

The Bombay YMCA Andheri Branch and Bandra Branch conducted 'BRAINWAVES' between 26th September to 1st October 2016. A total of 60 students participated from Bombay Scottish School, Powai. The Prize Distribution Ceremony was held on 8th October at YMCA Andheri. The results are as follows:

Category	Name	Grade	Award
Hindi Short Story-Writing Junior	Dhruv Narayan	7	First
English Elocution Juniors	Dia Dason Arakkal	6	First
English Story Telling, Sub-Junior	Prakriti Gupta	4	First
English Short Story Writing-Seniors	Aditi Kumar	8	Second
English Elocution- Senior	Jasmine Chau-ghule	9	Third



General Knowledge –Junior	Aditya Agrawal	7	Second
General Knowledge-Senior	Sourodipto Roy	9	Second
Poster Painting- Junior	Rishi Sajit	6	Third
Hindi Story Telling Sub Junior	Ritvik Bhat	4	Third

- The Inter School **Frank Anthony Debate** Competition conducted by CISCE was held on 15th July, 2016 hosted by Pawar Public School – Chandivali. Shaan Bhatt and Sanjana Bapna represented School.
- The Inter School **Albert Barrow Creative Writing** Competition conducted by CISCE was held on 18th July, 2016 at Lodha World School - Thane. Mayanka Sarma Raghunathan from Grade 10 represented the school.
- At the Interschool Fest- Cascade held by the Jamnabai Narsee Alumni Association, the students of Bombay Scottish School, Powai won several laurels. Noteworthy of mention are the following:

- National Debate:**

The Cascade National Debate put speakers across the nation to test in the format of a British parliamentary debate and also a moot court. The team from Bombay Scottish School, Powai comprising Ishita Pradeep of Grade 10, Priya Noronha of Grade 9, Shaan Bhatt of Grade 10 and Krish Dsilva of Grade 10, was among the eight teams to reach the final round and was declared 3rd runner up at the event. Shaan Bhatt was also adjudged the Best Rebuttal Speaker for Round one.

- National Creative Writing Competition- Yours Truly**

At the National Creative Writing Competition, Yours Truly, participants were given the task of writing a letter as a famous personality from history in first person. The letter had to be written as if the personality had written it just before his/her demise. Mayanka Raghunathan of Grade 10 won the first prize at this event.

- Swimming**

At the Swimming Competition, held at Khar Gymkhana on the 30th July 2016, Mayanka Raghunathan again did the school proud by winning bronze medals in all three categories of the event- butterfly stroke, freestyle and breaststroke.

- Dodgeball:**

The girls Dodgeball team were the winners at the Dodgeball tournament. The Dodgeball team comprised Sona Peter, Charvee Jha, Akanksha B, Sanjana Shetty and Sanaa Mangalore of Grade 9 and Tanvi Raipurwala, Tanvi Reddy, Arushi Kelshikar, Mahek Vyas and Nikita Potdar of Grade 10.

- World Wide Web :**

The junior section of the school also kept the flag of their Alma Mater flying high. Aman Nambiar and Shane Sumitra, both promising students of Grade 4 were the second runner up at the event World Wide Web. The participants of the event had to complete a series of tasks testing their mental and physical prowess.

- Personality Contest: Numero Uno**

Shaan Bhatt was the winner of the challenging Cascade Personality Contest- 'Numero Uno' and was awarded the title Mr. Cascade 24. Shaan had to go through several grilling rounds that tested his wit, presence of mind, confidence and poise. The contest was judged by famous personalities from the Bollywood industry- Ms. Jacqueline Fernandez, Mr. Tiger Shroff and Mr. Remo Souza.

- Rianne Fernandes of Grade 5C participated in the 41st Bombay YMCA State Level Annual Athletic meet in November 2016. She secured a gold medal in the 50m run and a bronze medal in the 100m run. She was felicitated by the Principal during assembly.
- An Inter School Competition 'Rochak' on account of Hindi Divas was organised at Christ Church School, Byculla on 14th September 2016. Students from Grades 6 to 8 participated in various events like Hindi Elocution, Story Telling, Quiz Contest and Art work based on creativity. Participation Certificates were given to all students. Our students won the 2nd prize in the Dance and 3rd prize in the Greeting card making competition.

INTRA SCHOOL SPORTS TOURNAMENTS:

a) D.S.O. – Basketball Tournament:

Boys U/14

BSS V/s IES was held on 28th August, 2016 – BSS Won.

BSS V/s S. M. Shetty International School was held on 28th August, 2016 – BSS Won



BSS V/s Atomic Energy was held on 28th August, 2016 – Walkover

BSS V/s D. J. Doshi School was held on 28th August, 2016 – BSS lost

Girls U/14

BSS V/s Atomic Energy was held on 29th August, 2016– BSS Won.

BSS V/s St. Anthony School was held on 29th August, 2016 – BSS lost.

MSSA - Basketball - Boys U/13

BSS V/s Cathedral & John Connon School was held on 6th January 2017– BSS Won Pre-quarter.

BSS-Powai V/s Gundecha Education was held on 19th January 2017 – BSS Won.

BSS-Powai V/s Don Bosco was held on 20th January 2017 – BSS Won.

BSS-Powai V/s Domnic Savio was held on 20th January 2017 – BSS lost.

MSSA - Basketball - Boys U/11

BSS V/s Cathedral & J. V. Parekh was held on 30th January 2017 – BSS Won

BSS V/s Lokhandwala was held on 1st February, 2017 – BSS lost

MSSA - Basketball – Girls U/11

BSS V/s Cathedral & S. Apostolic Carmel was held on 31st January 2017 – BSS lost

MSSA - Football – Girls U/14

BSS V/s Ryan International was held on 11th January 2017 – Draw

BSS V/s Lilavatibai Potdar was held on 11th January 2017 – BSS lost

MSSA - Football - Boys U/12

Team A - BSS-Powai V/s Vibyor was held on 13th January, 2017 - BSS lost

Team A - BSS-Powai V/s Lakshadham was held on 13th January, 2017- BSS Won

Team A - BSS-Powai V/s St. Francis D'Assisi was held on 16th January, 2017- BSS Won

Team B - BSS-Powai V/s Billabong International School was held on 17th January, 2017- BSS Won

Team B - BSS-Powai V/s Ryan International on 17th January, 2017 - BSS Won

Team B - BSS-Powai V/s St. Jude's was held on 30th January 2017 - BSS lost

Team B – BSS –Powai V/s Our Lady of Salvation was held on 14th February, 2017 – BSS Won

Team B – BSS –Powai V/s Our Lady of Salvation was held on 20th February, 2017 – BSS lost

MSSA - Football - Girls U/12

BSS-Powai V/s Little Angels was held on 6th February, 2017- BSS Won

MSSA - Football - Boys U/10

Team A – BSS – Powai V/s Don Bosco was held on 8th February, 2017- BSS Won

Team A – BSS – Powai V/s Sacred Heart was held on 13th February, 2017 – Draw

Team A – BSS – Powai V/s Arya Vidya Mandir was held on 14th February, 2017 - BSS lost.

Team B – BSS – Powai V/s Infant Jesus School was held on 20th February, 2017 – BSS lost.

Team B - BSS – Powai V/s Lilavatibai Potdar was held on 23rd February, 2017 – BSS lost.

MSSA - Football - Boys U/8

Team A – BSS – Powai V/s Billabong High School was held on 8th March, 2017 – BSS Won

Team B – BSS – Powai V/s Hiranandani Foundation School was held on 8th March, 2017 – BSS lost

Team A – BSS – Powai V/s Met Rishikul Vidyalaya was held on 8th March, 2017 – BSS Won

Team B – BSS – Powai V/s Met Rishikul Vidyalaya was held on 15th March, 2017 – BSS lost.

Team A – BSS – Powai V/s Greenlawns School was held on 23rd March, 2017 – BSS Won.

Team A – BSS – Powai V/s St. Lawrence was held on 23rd March, 2017 – BSS Won.

Team A – BSS – Powai V/s Udayachal School was held on 28th March, 2017 – BSS Won.

Team A – BSS – Powai V/s Jamnabai Narsee was held on 28th March, 2017 – BSS lost



All Maharashtra Anglo Indian Schools in India, Football & Basketball Tournament, 2016 was held at Barnes School & Junior College, Devlali on Saturday 23rd July, 2016, BSS Powai V/s Cathedral and John Connon School – Draw.

The Anglo Indian Athletic Olympiad Meet was held at Bishop's School, Pune, between 13th December 2016 to

15th December, 2016. Mayanka Sarma Raghunathan won several medals.

EDUCATIONAL AND PROJECT TRIPS:

Educational and Project Tours that are conducted through the year not only give the students a break in their academic schedule, but also develops and hones their philanthropic and leadership qualities, while building up team spirit.

Field Trips & Excursion				
No.	Venue	Grades	Date	Highlights
1	Haiko Supermarket	Jr. Kg & Sr. Kg.	14th & 18th July, 2016	Visual learning outside classroom
2	Taraporewala Aquarium	Jr. Kg & Sr. Kg.	14th October 2016	Visual learning outside classroom
3	Hiranandani Garden,	1	23.09.16	Nature Trail
4	Hiranandani Garden,	2	26.09.2016	Nature Trail
5	Kidzania	1 to 4	09.09.16	Learnt about the various professions.
6	J.J. School of Art	5	19.01.17	Process of weaving, fabric designing, printing, Pottery and Metal Carving
7	Tikujini-Wadi	5	9.2.17	Adventure Trip, Dinosaur world and the Aquarium
8	Della Adventure, Lonavala	8	22nd & 23rd March, 2017	Adventure Sports and Wax Museum
9	Durshet Campsite, Khopoli	6	22.02.17	Adventure sports: Archery, rope climbing, trekking, rappelling, Tarzan swing, Burma bridge and valley crossing.
10	Bhandardara	7	22nd & 23rd February, 2017	Trekking
11	Nehru Science Centre	7 & 8	10.10.16	Science Projects
12	Discovery	6	09.11.16	Science Projects
13	Reserve Bank of India and The Coin Museum	10	30.08.16	(i) Maintenance of financial stability, (ii) issuance of bank notes (iii) implementation of monetary policies, (iv) insight on foreign exchange reserves, (v) Currency management and (vi) Financial Inclusion.
14	National Institute of Research in Reproductive Health	10	31.08.16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Light Microscope, Confocal Microscope, transmission electron microscope and flow cytometry PCR, DNA sequencing Karyotyping and chromosomal analysis Ethical methods followed for taking care of experimental animals
15	Ogilvy & Mather	10	21.09.2016	An insight into the corporate world for Economics and Commercial Application students.
16	"Gowardhan Go Cheese Plant" & "Bhagyalakshmi Cow Farm"	9	23rd & 24th March, 2017	enriching and enlightening information regarding the entire cheese making and preservation process and participation in "Swachh Bharat Abhiyaan" (SUPW Project)
17	Trip to Renaissance	9 & 10	27.09.2016	practical training programme for the home science students with regards to baking



WORKSHOPS, PRESENTATIONS AND SEMINARS:

1. Ms. Urvashi Singh attended a workshop on 08th August, 2016 on 'Zero Waste Schools'. This initiative was taken by Thane based Rnisarg Foundation, comprises of professionals from various areas. Rnisarg focuses on waste segregation.
2. Mrs. Jane Kotian and Mrs. Mithua Chakravorty attended the Award Ceremony organized by Hindustan Times – Hindustan Times Tops Schools Conclave 2016 on 19th October, 2016 at The Lalit, Mumbai
3. Workshop on 'Awareness on Child Sexual Abuse' was organized by Ms. Vidya Apte (FACSE) on 16th September, 2016 for Grade IV staff and Security of the school.
4. The Principal, Mrs. Sunita George, Mrs. Jane Kotian and Mrs. Rubina Fernandes, attended 'Learnshift India-Workshop for Education Leaders' on 8th November and 9th November, 2016 at Hotel Sea Princess, Juhu. The speakers were Dr. Simon Breakspear and Mr. Nelson Gonzalez. The take away thought from the workshop was - 'Leaders need a better 'how' not another "what" of change!' And a redefinition of a Teacher – A designer of delightful expression!! As Educationists, it is our moral responsibility to change the learner's life and give to our Learner an Education worth having.
5. The Principal Ms. Sunita George attended the 95th Annual Conference which was organised by The Association of Heads of Anglo-Indian Schools in India. The conference not only provided an opportunity to learn from various thought leaders but also gave a platform to interact with various Heads of Anglo-Indian Schools and share some of the best practices with each other. The conference helped in better understanding of the customized approach to learning and motivated the school leaders to devise strategies to ensure that efforts are taken to ensure that school caters to all kinds of learners.
6. A workshop was conducted on 'How To Teach Computer As A Tool' by 'Kips' on 10th January, 2017 at Hotel Suba International, Andheri (East). It was attended by Ms. Nandita Rani and Ms. Ruby Warier. The session was conducted by Ms. Priya Kulkarni (Microsoft Teacher Ambassador) which gave insights on 21st Century Teaching-Learning Skills.
7. Ms. Rakhee Natu attended the workshop on Understanding TAT-Insightful Perception on appreciation on 18th January 2017 which was held by D'souza Foundation, Mind Mandala and Department of Psychiatry of Sion Hospital.
8. Ms. Seena Desai attended the workshop on development of age appropriate activities for school conducted by BPS, Knowledge Square and Department of Psychology, SNDT University.
9. Ms. Seena Desai attended National Cyber Psychology Conference on 20th January 2017 and 21st January, 2017
10. Ms. Nina Deshpande, Ms. Rekha Raghavan and Ms. Tina Quadras attended the workshop on Synthetic Phonics-Preprimary conducted by Macmillan Publishers India Ltd., on 21st January, 2017.
11. Ms. Seena Desai attended the workshop on Child/Adolescent Development Psychology was conducted by Dr. Russell Gall and Dr. Stephen P. Stratton from 25th January, 2017 to 29th January, 2017.
12. Workshop on Managing expectations for Grades 8 and 9 was conducted by Jarma Wellness LLP on 9th February, 2017.
13. Workshop on Empathy for teachers was conducted by Ms. Akshata in the school.
14. Mrs. Jane Kotian and Ms. P Roy along with few students of Grade 9 attended an event on NDTV Behtar India Campaign on 07th March, 2017 at Hotel Renaissance, Powai. The event's brand ambassador was Shushant Singh Rajput and the event was hosted by Vikram Chandra.

ACTIVITIES

STUDENT:

1. Food was the theme for both Jr. and Sr. Kg for the month of July. The students of Jr. Kg brought all kinds of fruits from their home which was used for a 'Show and Tell' session. However, the fruit salad making activity is what captivated the tiny tots who relished 'the fruit of their efforts'. They shared the healthy dish with their friends and staff alike, thus learning important values along the way.



2. Safe Kids Programme was conducted for Jr. Kg, Sr. Kg, Grades 1 and 2 on 27th July and 28th July 2016. The programme focused on pedestrian safety and the prevention of accidental injuries. Students learnt road safety rules through role play. They identified various kinds of vehicles. A flex sheet was used to represent a busy road, complete with a zebra crossing, footpaths and traffic lights. Thus, the children understood the difficulties one would face while crossing the street and the importance of following traffic rules.
3. Students of Jr. Kg and Sr. Kg visited the supermarket 'Haiko' at Hiranandani Gardens on 14th and 18th July respectively. This was their first outdoor trip, where they learned outside the periphery of their classrooms. They were very excited to see the fresh vegetables and fruits outlying the shelves and identified food as 'healthy' and 'junk'. In order to recapitulate all that they had learned, the teachers engaged them in a drawing/colouring and speaking sessions when they returned to School.
4. The students of Grade 1 and 2 enjoyed themselves on Splish Splash Day, when they were given an opportunity to bring their umbrella/raincoat and talk about the magic of the monsoon on stage. Songs were sung and poems recited amongst a discussion on the special creatures of the monsoon and the beautiful scenery at this time of the year.
5. The kindergarten Grade enjoyed the Theme for the week: 'Colours' as they dressed in different colours every day the week. The teachers exhibited different objects, fruits, vegetables with the colour of the day. Related pictures and flash cards were shown to the students. The students also brought some objects from home as per the colour and this was used for a session of 'Show and Tell' in Grade. They sang songs and recited poems related to the theme. Activities were conducted related to colours and the students work was exhibited on the display boards. The colourful week was fun and the main objective of understanding colours was achieved
6. The School Mission week, a value based education programme was organized by the Scripture Union, an international organization working among children in 132 countries including India. The Mission Week was held from 08th August to 12th August, 2016.
7. Grade 1 and 2 celebrated our 70th year of Independence on the 11th August, 2016. As a mark of respect to Indian leaders of the past and present, the students came dressed as a leader of their choice and presented an inspiring monologue, complete with famous quotes and props. They sang the National Anthem and the National song meaningfully after a discussion of the history of our Tricoloured National Flag. There was a brief discussion about Independent India at their level. It was a learning experience and an enjoyable day for the students.
8. The tiny tots of the KG section were all decked up in their traditional form. Coming from East, West, North & South, all kinds of colourful traditional outfits were exhibited by the students. They had a classroom discussion about the costume they had come in. Some of them also shared a few words in their regional language and spoke about the costume they had worn. They shared traditional food with their friends. It was thus an educational and enjoyable day for all.
9. The students of Sr. Kg. projected the theme - Seasons by displaying the different seasons in each classroom - Summer, Winter and Monsoon. They were all dressed in costumes that displayed the season and gave a detailed explanation on the weather, clothes we wear and food. They also exhibited the seasonal fruits and vegetables. Each classroom was beautifully decorated with art and craft work related to the topic. The Jr. Kg section and Grades 1 & 2 visited these Grades.
10. Aditya Agrawal and Samarpana Panda were declared winners of the 4th Inter School Quiz contest organized by Bombay YMCA, **Inquisitive 2016**.
11. 'Show and Tell' activity was conducted on 19th September 2016 for KG section. The topic was Animals. Students brought in toys, photographs or flash cards of their favourite animal. The children described the animals and also shared a few interesting facts about them. Some students brought the characters to life by weaving a story about the animal. Overall, it was a very enriching experience for the children.
12. Grade KG & 1 displayed the theme 'Plants'. Each of the three sections was divided into Vegetables, Fruits and Flowers respectively. The students displayed various activities, recited poems and sang songs related to the topic.



13. Groups were made for Grade 2 in the classroom according to the theme 'Places in the Neighbourhood'. The students came with props and costumes.
14. Pet Day was organised on 26th September for Grades KG, 1 and 2. Parents of students having pets at home brought in their pets to school. Different breeds of dogs, cats, fish, birds and a rabbit were brought to school. The owners of the pets shared their experience of how they cared for their pets. The children were told their names, what they ate, how they played. The students were thrilled to hear the sounds they made. The students were asked to name the fish which are now being looked after in the School. It was indeed a wonderful experience to see the love and affection the pets and the owners had for each other. The students also learnt the importance of taking care of animals.
15. Students of Grade 1 participated in an activity on Flowers on 20th September, 2016. They wore handmade flower masks and also performed on stage. Every section went up on stage and sang a song or recited a poem. The students learnt the name of various flowers. The teachers and students discussed interesting facts about flowers and the importance of preserving nature.
16. On 20th September the pre-primary students wore beautiful and decorative hats. They had a showcase of their hats and spoke about the type of hat they had worn.
17. The students of Grade 1 had a stage performance on the topic 'Flowers' on 10th October. The children made flower masks which they wore and went on stage in a group. They sang songs and recited poems learnt in the class.
18. The class rooms of KG were converted into different kinds of animals - wild animals, farm animals, life under water. The students spoke about the animals that they had displayed. The students were dressed as an animal and was given an opportunity to speak, while Grades 1, 2 and SR. KG. watched the gallery walk.
19. All the students of Grade 3 to Grade 8 participated in the Coco Shell Painting organized on 21st October, 2016. This activity was conducted by Mr. Manish Advani and his team from Mahindra SSG. Prof. Sudhir Joshi from Patkar College and a Senior Police Inspector from Rambaug police station visited the different Grades and witnessed the activity. The event began with a short Audio Visual presentation on recycling and reusing coconuts which could bring down the wide spread of dengue significantly in a positive way. The students painted the coconut shells using their own innovative ideas. Winners were chosen from every section.
20. The students of the KG section had a group performance on 11th November on the theme - Transport. They were dressed in different coloured clothes, Green, white and blue. They recited a poem/song on the stage exhibiting the beautiful props of transport.
21. The students of Grade 1 were asked to bring pictures of various festivals on 11th November 2016. Groups were formed and a collage was made. The students wrote a few sentences describing the festival. They shared it with the rest of the Grade.
22. Freexpressions was introduced on Children's Day. The children took part in many competitions and were offered chocolates.
23. Workshop on Responsible Netism by Mr. Unmesh Joshi and Ms. Sonali Patnakar was conducted for Grades 6 – 8 on 21st November, 2016. Awareness and safety measures about the secured internet usage and prevent students from internet abuse and promoting responsible living was explained to the students.
24. On 19th January, an activity was organised for Sr. KG where every child spoke about his/her favourite sportsperson. Example-Virat Kohli, M. S. Dhoni, P. V. Sindhu, Mary Kom, Saniya Mirza, Milka Singh and Geetha Phogat. They also shared about their victories at the Olympics and Khel Ratna. In this way, their knowledge in the field of sports was enriched. It was a joyful experience for us also as teachers.
25. Few community helpers were invited to school to introduce the work they do, to the students of Jr. KG. to Grade 2. Our Principal Mrs. Sunita George introduced these guests to our students. Dr. Lisa Jolene Braganza - General Physician, Dr. Pallavi Choudhary - Dentist, Mr. Sushant - Postman, Mr. P. T. Sawarkar - Cobbler, Mr. Navin - Electrician and Mr. Gautam - Plumber, were all present in School to introduce themselves and talk about the way they help us. Each of them exhibited their tools of profession much to the joy of the young



students. We thanked them for providing us with this unique experience.

26. It was pleasant to watch all the children of Grade 2 dressed in blue, symbolizing water. They demonstrated numerous ways to save water. Example: Use a bucket while having a bath, recycle water by using it for plants; they also spoke about water conservation. On 20th January, every child brought a placard/ picture of the above topics and also shared information which they discussed in the class. A few questions were discussed related to the topic. It was an enriching experience for both teacher and children.
27. The activity on "Create your Home" was conducted on 23rd January 2017 for Grade 1. The children brought popsicle, sticks stuck them on the given sheet and made houses of their choice. They drew their family in it and made it look like a home. They embellished their homes with great enthusiasm and excitement. It was an informative and fun filled activity.
28. The students of Grade-5 were taken to Tikujini-Wadi on 9th February 2017. The students enjoyed various rides in the park especially the Spinning Coaster and the UFO Cycle. The children were excited to see the Dinosaur World and the Aquarium. The tree top restaurant was the perfect place for our children to gorge on sumptuous meal. The children not only cherished the quality of food but also relaxed in the tranquil ambience of the park.
29. Vacation Bible School (VBS) was held in School from 18th April to 20th April, 2017. This year the VBS team came from the Church at Powai and they put up many programmes & skits.

• CELL MEETINGS 2016-2017:

Venue	Date	Subject	Attendees
Billabong High International School - Thane.	30.6.16	English LA	Mrs. J Kotian
J.B. Petit High School - Fort, Mumbai	1.7.16	EVS	Ms. S Daniel

CNM School & ND Parekh Pre-Primary School - Vile Parle	15.7.16	Physics	Mrs. M. David
CNM School & ND Parekh Pre-Primary School - Vile Parle	22.7.16	Mathematics	Mrs. E. Selvaraj
Gopal Sharma International School - Powai	5.8.16	Geography	Mrs. M Verma
Lodha World School - Thane	13.8.16	English LI	Mrs. H Kaur

• PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION:

1. Selection of Grade Representatives and their induction was held on 15th July, 2016.
2. Parent Teachers Association conducted the Executive Body Meeting on 28th July, 2016.
3. Sports Committee meeting was held on 20th September, 2016 to discuss about the coaches and various after school sports activities.
4. Parent Teachers Association conducted the First Executive Committee Meeting on 25th November, 2016. Mr. Yennemadi and Mr. Albal were present for the meeting.
5. The second General Body Meeting was held on 13th January, 2017.

• PARENT TEACHER MEETING:

1. The Parent Orientation for Sr. Kg. to Grade 10 was held on 07th June, 2016.
2. The Parent-Teacher Meeting and GBM for Jr. Kg to Grade 10 were held on 29th July, 2016.
3. Evaluation papers were shown to parents of Grades 1 to 5 on 16th September, 2016.
4. Evaluation papers were shown to parents of Grades 3-5 on 21st October, 2016.



OTHER HIGHLIGHTS:

1. NDTV interviewed the Principal, Mrs. Sunita George on 23rd November, 2016. Ms. Aditi Singh (Anchor and Producer CNBCN). Students of Grade 9 were also introduced to them.
2. The Rotary Club of Bombay, Powai organized a felicitation ceremony on Saturday 9th July 2016, at Hiranandani Foundation School, Powai. Our ICSE toppers Saachi Jain and Aryamaan were felicitated for their outstanding performance. One of our teachers, Ms. Purbasha Roy was also felicitated for her exemplary contribution towards ICSE 2016 results.
3. In a first-of-its-kind initiative, Educomp and NDTV jointly recognized and felicitated the efforts made by schools, educators and administrators to impart quality education under multiple categories, from across the country. After screening and short listing the nominees for each category based on the pre-defined evaluation criteria, this distinguished jury announced the winners from four regions of India. The award for Excellence in Social Science teaching in the west zone of India was bagged by one of our industrious staff members, Ms Harpreet Kaur. The award ceremony was held on 28th January, 2017 at Pawar Public School, Bhandup. After

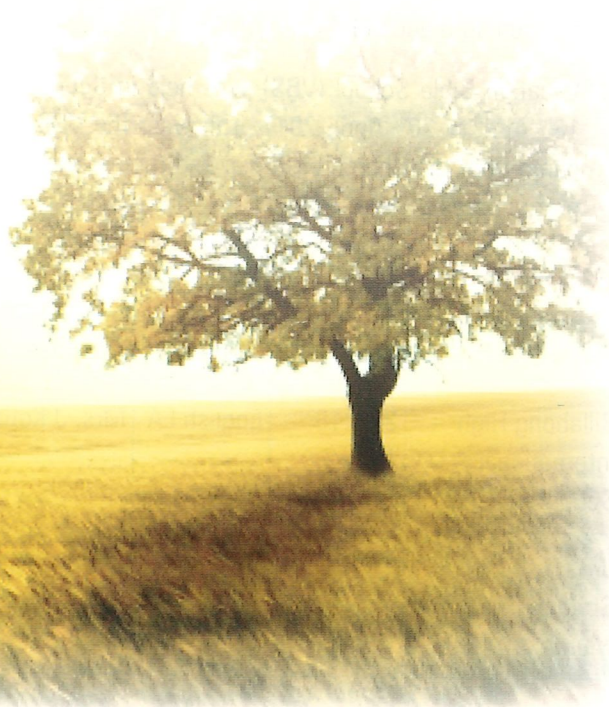
evaluating the regional round winners from east, west, south and north zone, the winners for the national round were announced at the Taj, Delhi on 15th of February 2017. The unflagging spirit of Scottshites was once again recognized when Ms Kaur was declared the National level winner of the award for Excellence in Social Science teaching. She was presented the award by none other than the Sarod maestro, Ustad Amjad Ali Khan and Prof. Ashoke Sarkar, Director BITS Pilani in presence of many more eminent personalities one of them being Manish Sisodia, Cabinet minister for Higher Education and Deputy CM of Delhi. It was certainly a proud moment for all the Scottshites!!

4. Scripture class for Christian students for Grades 1 to 10 was conducted every Wednesday.

Looking forward to progress in the various fields and to enrich our school further by our motto **PERSEVERENTIA ET FIDE IN DEO** 'Perseverance and Faith in God' I would like to conclude this report.

Thank You,

Mrs. Sunita George
Principal



LIST OF PRIZE WINNERS FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2016-2017

GRADE: 1

SUBJECT	Rank	Names
GENERAL PROFICIENCY	1	Vinaya Venkateshwaran
	2	Annabel Daniel
	3	Radhika Sriram
	4	Aarjav Jain
	5	Swasti Singh
	6	Rebecca D'Souza
	7	Soham Baishya
	8	Karthik Baskar
	9	Svetlana Furtado
	10	Sumana Ganti
ENGLISH	1	Rebecca D'Souza
	2	Karthik Baskar
	3	Radhika Sriram
	3	Annabel Daniel
HINDI	1	Radhika Sriram
	2	Karthik Baskar
	3	Vinaya Venkateshwaran
	3	Aarjav Jain
EVS	1	Sumana Ganti
	1	Swasti Singh
	1	Rebecca D'Souza
	1	Aarjav Jain
	2	Soham Baishya
	3	Vinaya Venkateshwaran
MATHEMATICS	1	Annabel Daniel
	2	Svetlana Furtado
	2	Vinaya Venkateshwaran
	3	Swasti Singh

GRADE: 2

SUBJECT	Rank	Names
GENERAL PROFICIENCY	1	Shivank Tandon
	2	Ananya Samanta
	3	Aahan Mishra
	4	Ishan Vasishtha
	5	Jolene Vianna Kotian
	6	Shubh Khadria
	7	Shruti Konda
	7	Parth Naik
	8	Rian Sangam
	9	David Benjamin James
	10	Nandita Krishnan
ENGLISH	1	Jolene Vianna Kotian
	2	David Benjamin James
	3	Ishan Vasishtha
	3	Shivank Tandon
HINDI	1	Shivank Tandon
	2	Venzil Chervin Lasrado
	3	Ranit Senthilnathan
	3	Ananya Samanta
EVS	1	Jolene Vianna Kotian
	1	Ishan Vasishtha
	2	Aahan Mishra
	3	Shubh Khadria
	3	Ananya Samanta
	3	Shruti Konda
MATHEMATICS	3	Rian Sangam
	3	Shivank Tandon
	1	Ananya Samanta
	2	Naivedya Swami
	2	Venzil Chervin Lasrado
	2	Shruti Konda
	2	Parth Naik
	2	Shivank Tandon
	3	Shubh Khadria



GRADE: 3		
SUBJECT	Rank	Names
GENERAL PROFICIENCY	1	Nysa Roshan
	2	Prisha Singh
	3	Priyani Saraf
	4	Ananya Gandhe
	5	Vaibhavi Venkateswaran
	6	Aashna Batheja
	7	Krrish Das
	8	Rimsha Syed
	9	Swarnali Chowdhury
	10	Kenisha D'souza
ENGLISH	1	Nysa Roshan
	1	Priyani Saraf
	2	Ananya Gandhe
	3	Prisha Singh
HINDI	1	Ananya Gandhe
	2	Prisha Singh
	2	Vaibhavi Venkateswaran
	3	Aashna Batheja
MATHEMATICS	1	Anushka Gaine
	2	Lehar Khanna
	3	Priyani Saraf
	3	Tanisha Kochar
GENERAL SCIENCE	1	Cheryl Maria George
	1	Prisha Singh
	1	Nysa Roshan
	2	Vivien Sameer Jagmag
	3	Hiyanshi Mehta
	3	Joel Jacob Thomas
SOCIAL STUDIES	3	Krrish Das
	1	Nysa Roshan
	2	Priyani Saraf
	3	Vaibhavi Venkateswaran

GRADE: 4		
SUBJECT	Rank	Names
GENERAL PROFICIENCY	1	Saanvy Panda
	2	Pulak Banerjee Haldiya
	3	Mihika Agarwal
	4	Rose Catherine Sabu
	5	Saumya Baskar
	6	Vranda Bansal
	7	Roshni Ramaratnam
	8	Prakriti Gupta
	9	Niki Tanna
	10	Rhea Rodrigues
ENGLISH	1	Saanvy Panda
	2	Rose Catherine Sabu
	3	Pulak Banerjee Haldiya
HINDI	1	Saanvy Panda
	2	Vranda Bansal
	3	Niki Tanna
MATHEMATICS	1	Saanvy Panda
	2	Pulak Banerjee Haldiya
	3	Chris Johnson
	3	Neel Solomon
GENERAL SCIENCE	1	Saanvy Panda
	1	Pulak Banerjee Haldiya
	2	Mihika Agarwal
	3	Rose Catherine Sabu
SOCIAL STUDIES	1	Rhea Rodrigues
	2	Rose Catherine Sabu
	3	Mihika Agarwal
	3	Neel Solomon



GRADE: 5

SUBJECT	Rank	Names
GENERAL PROFICIENCY	1	Rajvini Rout
	2	Mihika Nair
	3	Sumedh Narvekar
	4	Arushi Singh
	5	Apurva Singh
	6	Keval Kirpekar
	7	Mahika Sarma Raghunathan
	8	Siddharth Ravi
	9	Anvay Borade
	10	Adit Gupta
ENGLISH	1	Mihika Nair
	2	Rajvini Rout
	3	Arushi Singh
HINDI	1	Arushi Singh
	1	Apurva Singh
	2	Sumedh Narvekar
	3	Arshiya Agarwal
MARATHI	1	Keval Kirpekar
	2	Arushi Singh
	3	Apurva Singh
MATHEMATICS	1	Pranav Arun
	2	Rajvini Rout
	3	Sumedh Narvekar
GENERAL SCIENCE	1	Rajvini Rout
	2	Anvay Borade
	3	Mihika Nair
SOCIAL STUDIES	1	Rajvini Rout
	2	Mihika Nair
	2	Keval Kirpekar
	2	Sunaina Nair
	3	Sumedh Narvekar
	3	Siddharth Ravi
	3	Aleeza Khan
	3	Ananya Agrawal

GRADE: 6

GENERAL PROFICIENCY	1	Ayush Chakraborty
	2	Arham Mahajan
	3	Nandini Menon
	4	Divya Tulapurkar
	5	Disha Sukadev Khadtare
	6	Varun Rajiv Gogoi
	7	Evann Reny
	8	Sanjana Biju Pillai
	9	Tarun Golappagouda Patil
	10	Sheetal Prakash
ENGLISH	1	Disha Sukadev Khadtare
	2	Nandini Menon
	2	Ayush Chakraborty
	3	Diya Tulapurkar
HINDI	1	Arham Mahajan
	2	Nandini Menon
	3	Ayush Chakraborty
MARATHI	1	Anaya Nilind Gode
	2	Rohit Ravikumar Menon
	3	Arham Mahajan
SOCIAL STUDIES	1	Ayush Chakraborty
	2	Nandini Menon
	3	Nysa Sanghvi
MATH	1	Tarun Golappagouda Patil
	2	Varun Rajiv Gogoi
	3	Ayush Chakraborty
SCIENCE	1	Arham Mahajan
	2	Divya Tulapurkar
	2	Ayush Chakraborty
	3	Varun Rajiv Gogoi



GRADE 7:		
GENERAL PROFICIENCY	1	Aditya Abhishek Agrawal
	2	Apurva Mukherjee
	3	Ronak Saha
	4	Indrani Ray
	5	Rithwik Chikmaglur Rajanikanth
	6	Soumik Chowdhury
	7	Ayushmaan
	8	Dhruv Narayan
	9	Rishabh Patnaik
	10	Anshul Mitra
ENGLISH	1	Indrani Ray
	2	Aditya Abhishek Agrawal
	3	Apurva Mukherjee
HINDI	1	Apurva Mukherjee
	2	Aditya Abhishek Agrawal
	3	Ayushmaan
MARATHI	1	Rishabh Patnaik
	2	Ayushmaan
	2	Neel Milind Joshi
	3	Sadhana Kannan
SOCIAL STUDIES	1	Ayushmaan
	2	Soumik Chowdhury
	3	Rithwik Chikmaglur Rajanikanth
MATHEMATICS	1	Aditya Abhishek Agrawal
	2	Indrani Ray
	3	Dhruv Narayan
SCIENCE	1	Aditya Abhishek Agrawal
	2	Ronak Saha
	3	Apurva Mukherjee

GRADE 8:		
GENERAL PROFICIENCY	1	Shreya Om Preeti
	2	Pathik Das
	3	Naomi Sunil Hegde
	4	Aniket Iyer
	5	Meghna Ramaratnam
	6	Jeshvina Ajvin
	7	Mehul Basu
	8	Tanya Jason D'souza
	9	Aditya Krishnan
	10	Aayushi Mahajan
ENGLISH	1	Pathik Das
	2	Tanya Jason D'souza
	3	Shreya Om Preeti
	3	Naomi Sunil Hegde
MATH	1	Pathik Das
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	3	Tanya Jason D'souza
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	2	Aniket Iyer
	3	Naomi Sunil Hegde
MARATHI	1	Shreya Om Preeti
	2	Sakshi Shailendra Tambe
	3	Naomi Sunil Hegde
SOCIAL STUDIES	1	Pathik Das
	1	Shreya Om Preeti
	2	Jeshvina Ajvin
	3	Aditi Kumar



Grade 9**General Proficiency**

1	Tvishaa Bagai	6	Anmol Gupta
2	Disha Lalwani	7	Saumya Goel
3	Shaurya Tandon	8	Aryan Arora
4	Jasmin Rishikesh Chaughule	9	Rohit John Mathew
4	Rhea Mall	10	Kaushal Kirpekar
5	Samriti Mudaliar		

SUBJECT	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD
English	Jasmin Rishikesh Chaughule	Samriti Mudaliar	Tvishaa Bagai
Hindi	Tvishaa Bagai	Ira Srivastava	S Lavanya
Social Studies	Jasmin Rishikesh Chaughule	Shaurya Tandon	Samriti Mudaliar
Mathematics	Tvishaa Bagai	Rhea Mall	Shlok Alok Mulye
		Shaurya Tandon	
Science	Tvishaa Bagai	Jasmin Rishikesh Chaughule	Disha Lalwani
EVS	Avneesh Viswanath	Hetvi Shah	Vikhyat Agrawal
Economics	Shloka Ganesh Raja	Janhavi Shandilya	Tanishi Srivastava
Computer Applications	Shaurya Tandon	Disha Lalwani	Anmol Gupta
Home Science	Stephanie Shannon Simons	Manjiri Babar	Hem Shrikant Biyani
Technical Drawing	Rohit John Mathew	Mayank Gupta	Jasmin Rishikesh Chaughule
Art	Tanishi Srivastava	Sara Steven	Deepika Mahesh Solanki
Economic Applications	Sourodipto Roy	Gaurika Mathur	Vikhyat Agrawal
Physical Education	Saisesh Suresh Iyer	Sanjana Shetty	Charvee Jha
Commercial Applications	Tvishaa Bagai	S Lavanya	Hetvi Shah

ICSE 2017 Prize Winners

Subject	First	Second	Third
General Proficiency	Latika Pranay Narvekar	Kavisha Agarwal	Sanjana Bapna
English	Arushi Manish Kelshikar		
	Dyuti Kumar		
	Latika Pranay Narvekar		
	Thanmayee Gundapuneni		
Hindi	Yash Goyal	Latika Pranay Narvekar	
		Kavisha Agarwal	
		Paulomi Girish Saraph	
		Simone Fernandes	



Social Studies	Kavisha Agarwal		Sanjana Bapna
	Aadarsh Dwivedi		Harrshit Limbodia
Mathematics	Sanjana Bapna		
	Latika Pranay Narvekar		
	Arushi Manish Kelshikar		
	Trisha Sanatani		
	Drishti Dilip Goenka		
	Yashika Lalwani		
	Rishab Anil Muzhangathu		
	Harshavardhan Ramadhurai		
Science	Latika Pranay Narvekar		Aadarsh Dwivedi
	Kavisha Agarwal		Maskeen Kaur
			Prashanth Joseph Ramanathan
Evs	Prashanth Joseph Ramanathan	Luke Shawn Thomas	Vatsal Rajesh Kothari
Economic Applications	Ishita Pradeep		Luke Shawn Thomas
	Paulomi Girish Saraph		Shwetha Krishnan
Computer Applications	Latika Pranay Narvekar		
	Sanjana Bapna		
	Harrshit Limbodia		
	Rachita Agrawal		
	Aryamaan Singh		
Home Science	Kavisha Agarwal		Deborah Liju Philip
	Vaishnavi Gadi		
Technical Drawing Applications	Pranav P Menon	Ujjwal Puri	
		Krishna Vasanth Pai	
		Justin Chiriyath	
Art	Tanaya Ranade	Shreya Jha	Shloka Harish Shetty
			Ishika Uday Wagle
Physical Education	Mayanka Sarma Raghunathan	Yash Ajmera	
		Tanvi Saifee Raipurwala	
Commercial Applications	Trisha Sanatani	Vatsal Rajesh Kothari	Yashika Lalwani



Our meritorious students of ICSE 2017:

Sr. No.	Name
1	Latika Pranay Narvekar
2	Kavisha Agarwal
3	Sanjana Bapna
4	Arushi Manish Kelshikar
5	Trisha Sanatani
6	Aadarsh Dwivedi
7	Rajasi Milind Mankame
8	Mayanka Sarma Raghunathan
9	Maahi Turnesh Gilder
10	Harrshit Limbodia
11	Maskeen Kaur
12	Paulomi Girish Saraph
13	Dyuti Kumar
14	Thanmayee Gundapuneni
15	Drishti Dilip Goenka
16	Vaishnavi Gadi
17	Amrit Rao
18	Tanvi Saifee Raipurwala
19	Simone Fernandes
20	Tanaya Ranade
21	Ishita Pradeep
22	Stuti Khandelwal
23	Yash Ajmera
24	Tanvi Reddy Mudimela
25	Rishab Anil Muzhangathu

26	Prashanth Joseph Ramanathan
27	Joanna Vasudevan
28	Rachita Agrawal
29	Harshavardhan Ramadhurai
30	Vatsal Rajesh Kothari
31	Aarushi Singh
32	Aryamaan Singh
33	Krishna Vasanth Pai
34	Ujjwal Puri
35	Ishika Agrawal
36	Kalpataru Dash
37	Yashika Lalwani
38	Rishi Agrawal
39	Anu Elizabeth Oommen
40	Neeraja Jayant Barve
41	Samantha Joseph
42	Deborah Liju Philip
43	Kshitij Ramrakhiani
44	Nandini Dixit
45	Luke Shawn Thomas
46	Pranav P Menon
47	Shaan Mamta Bhatt
48	Prerak Kumar
49	Saharsh Narayan
50	Shwetha Krishnan
51	Shloka Harish Shetty

LIST OF TROPHIES

The Lazarus Gamaliel Memorial Gold Medal for being the highest scorer among the two schools – Bombay Scottish School, Mahim and Bombay Scottish School, Powai at the ICSE 2017	Latika Pranay Narvekar
Principal's Commendation Gold Medal for the Highest Scorer at Bombay Scottish School, Powai, at the ICSE 2017	Latika Pranay Narvekar
The George Jacob Memorial Silver Medal Presented by the Committee of Management, Bombay Scottish Orphanage Society to the Runner up at the ICSE 2017	Kavisha Agarwal
The George Jacob Memorial Scholarship for Academic Excellence in Std 9	Tvishaa Bagai
Trophy for Excellence in Social Studies at the ICSE presented by the ICSE (March) 2002 Batch	Kavisha Agarwal Aadarsh Dwivedi
Trophy for the Top Scorer at the Standard Seven level presented by the Senior Citizens of Raheja Vihar	Aditya Abhishek Agrawal



Trophy for the Inter-House Academic Excellence	Blue
Cock House – Best All – Round Performance -	Blue
Trophy for the Inter House Music Competition (Seniors) presented by Mrs. Amelia L. D'souza	Blue

Grade Toppers for the year 2016-2017

GRADE	NAMES
1	Vinaya Venkateshwaran
2	Shivank Tandon
3	Nysa Roshan
4	Saanvy Panda
5	Rajvini Rout

GRADE	NAMES
6	Ayush Chakraborty
7	Aditya Abhishek Agrawal
8	Shreya OM Preeti
9	Tvishaa Bagai
10	Latika Pranay Narvekar

Fare Thee Well, Mrs. Alice Barretto!



Having worked at Bombay Scottish School, Mahim, Mrs. Alice Barretto joined the School at Powai as a teacher in 1995. She soon went on to become the Coordinator for grades 9 and 10 and finally took the reigns as Principal in 2009. In the 20 years of her service, she pioneered many revolutionary milestones, both in the field of academics as well as administration. She is affectionately remembered for her sensitivity towards the staff and students. Fondly known as the 'Children's Principal', Mrs. Barretto has left a heritage of progressive vision, fond friendships and lasting memories. Bombay Scottish School, Powai is ever so grateful to Mrs. Alice Barretto for her invaluable contributions to the legacy of this esteemed institution.



ANNUAL PRIZE DAY



Ruhi Jain initiates the Welcome Note



Mr. Yohan Alexander introduces
Mr. V.M. Crishna



Mr. V.M. Crishna, Member of the Committee of
Management, BSOS presenting the Chairman's
Address



Mr. Varghese Thomas introduces the Chief
Guest for the senior event



Mrs. L. Middlecote, Honorary Secretary of the
COM, BSOS introduces our Chief Guest for the
junior event



The Chief Guest Ms. Abha Singh
Advocate and Renowned Social Activist



Ms. Sunita George, Principal addresses the
audience



Release of the Tartan 2015-16



ANNUAL PRIZE DAY



Saachi Jain receiving the Principal's Commendation Gold Medal for the Highest Scorer at Bombay Scottish School, Powai



Aryamaan receiving The George Jacob Memorial Silver Medal for the Runner-Up in the ICSE 2016



Sanjana Bapna receiving The George Jacob Memorial Scholarship for Academic Excellence in Std 9



Aryamaan receiving The Trophy for Excellence in Social Studies at the ICSE 2016



Blue House wins the Trophy for Academic Excellence



Green House winning the Trophy for the Inter House Music Competition presented by Mrs. Amelia L Dsouza

ANNUAL PRIZE DAY



The Trophy for Inter House Dramatics in English for Seniors Presented by Mrs Shaheen Pawane also won by the Green House



The Trophy for the Top Scorer at the Standard Seven level presented by the Senior Citizens of Raheja Vihar goes to Shreya Om Preeti



The Cock House wins the Best All Round Performance



The Choir sings The Shepherd's Psalm



The Cultural Event



Esteemed guests for the event

ANNUAL PRIZE DAY

Winners One and All



SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY / INVESTITURE CEREMONY



Prayer Service



Friendly Match



School Captain Shaan Bhatt

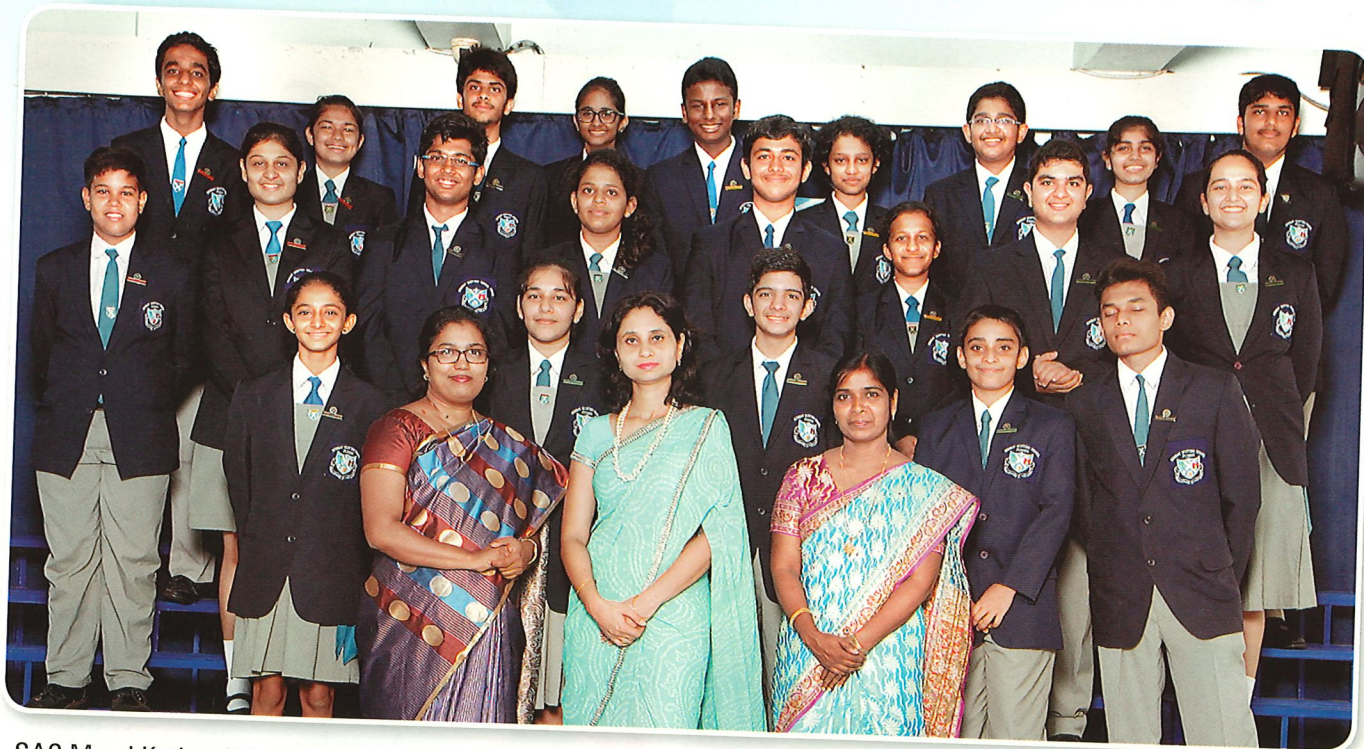


School Vice Captain Dyuti Kumar

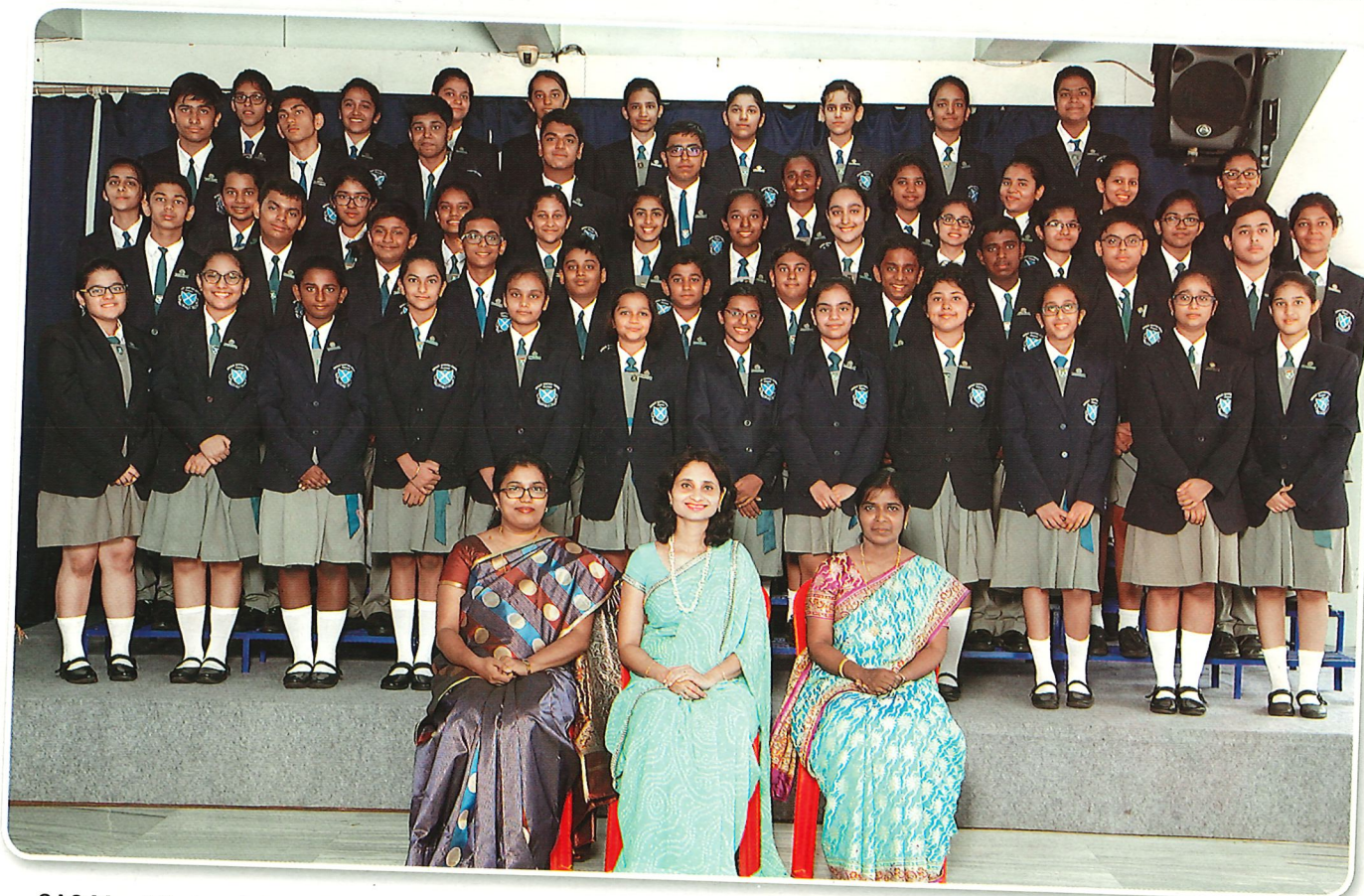


Oath taking by School Vice Captain and Sports Captains

SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY / INVESTITURE CEREMONY



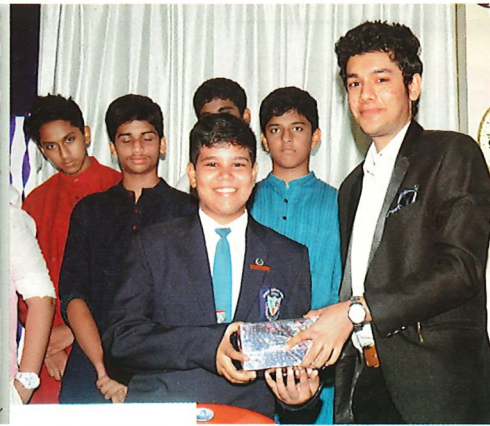
SAC Mrs J Kotian, Principal Mrs. S. George and Coordinator for Grades 9 & 10 Mrs. E. Selvaraj with the Student Council



SAC Mrs J Kotian, Principal Mrs. S. George and Coordinator for Grades 9 & 10 Mrs. E. Selvaraj with the Prefect Assembly



National Celebration Day



TEACHERS' DAY

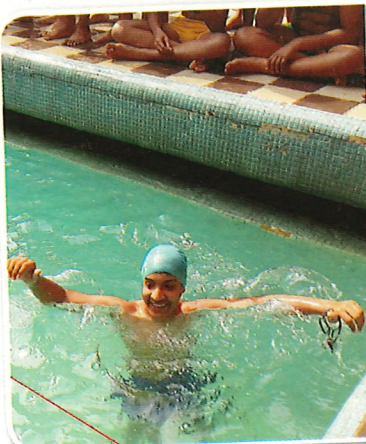


*"To the world you may
be just a Teacher but to your
students you are a Hero"*



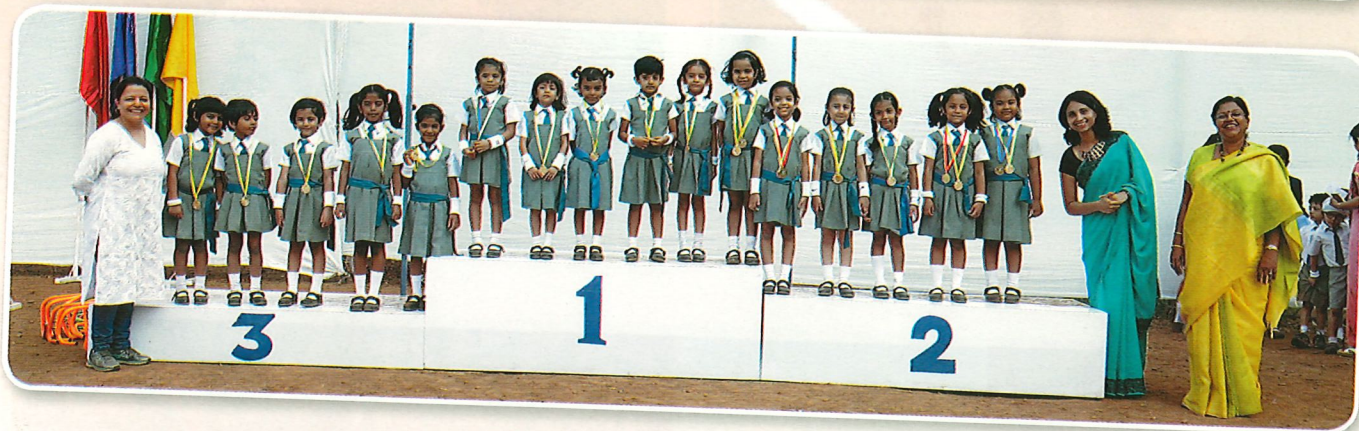


SWIMMING GALA





KG SPORTS DAY



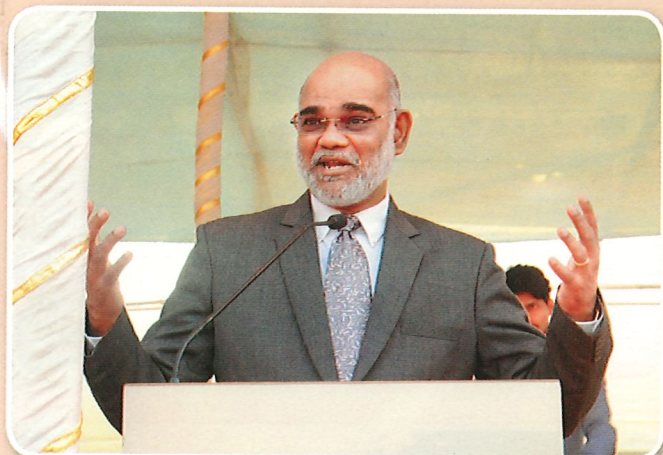
KG SPORTS DAY



ANNUAL ATHLETIC MEET 2016 (JUNIORS)



The Chief Guest lights the torch which symbolises goodwill and harmony



Sporting wisdom by Chief Guest Rev. Cecil Clements



The Sporting Children





ANNUAL ATHLETIC MEET 2016 (SENIORS)



The Annual Athletic Meet 2016-17 declared open



Chief Guest Mr. Srivastava inspiring children with his words of wisdom



Principal Mrs. S. George addressing the children



'Might Matters'



ANNUAL ATHLETIC MEET 2016 (SENIORS)





The Winners' Corner



ANNUAL CONCERT 2016



Ms. Molly Paul, Mr. Varghese Thomas, Mrs. L. Middlecote and Mr. S.V. Albal unveiling the theme 'To the Moon and Back' at the Annual Concert 2016

To The Moon and Back

The event gave an insight into
evolving human nature, his undying desire
to know more.....
explore more.....
and acquire more.....

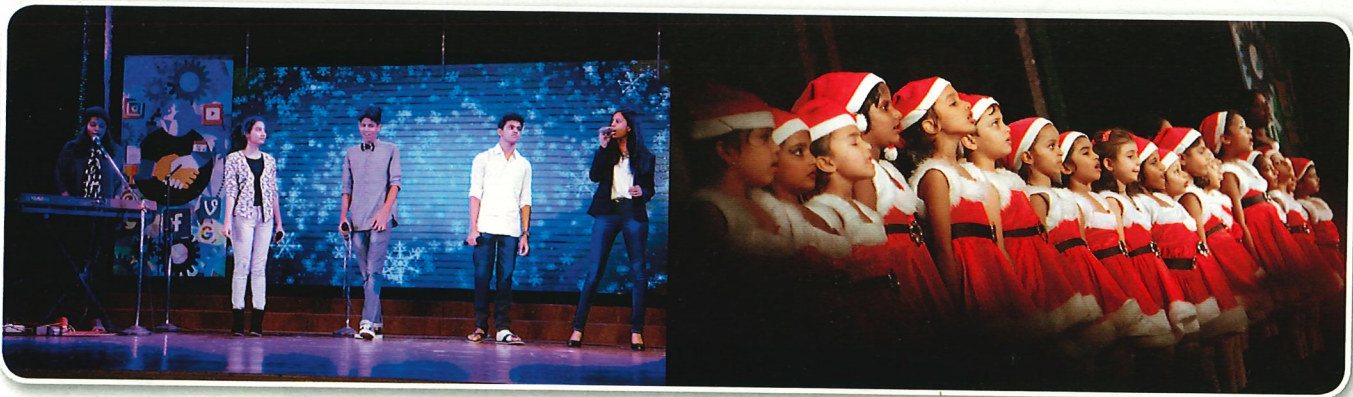
It shed light on his quest to seek solutions
to impossibilities.

The event also posed some challenging questions
that would initiate some reflection and soul searching.



ANNUAL CONCERT 2016

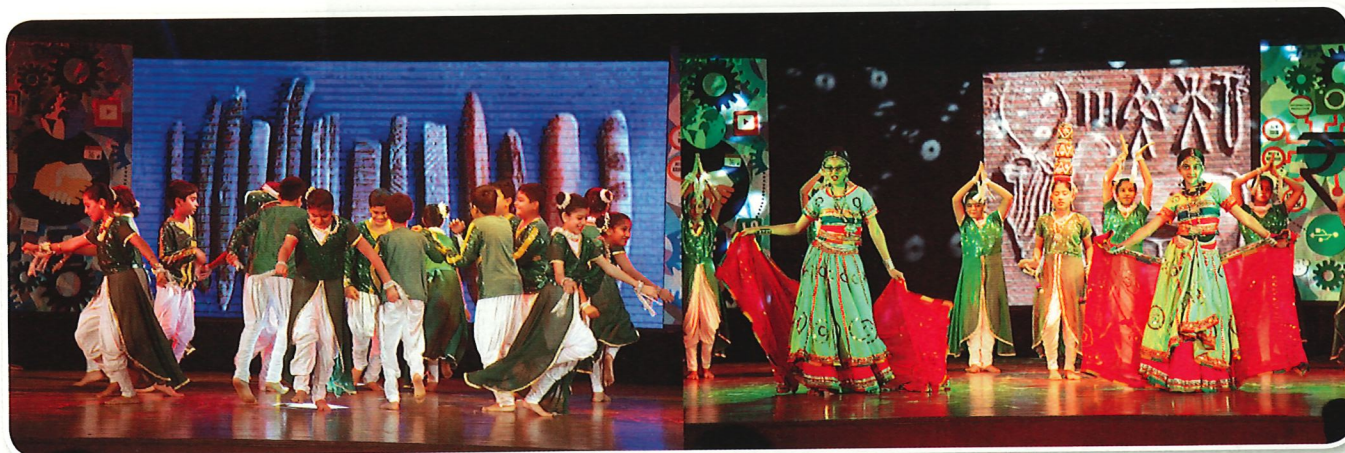
Away in the Manger



Christmas in the Air !

ANNUAL CONCERT 2016

Cradles of Civilization



ANNUAL CONCERT 2016

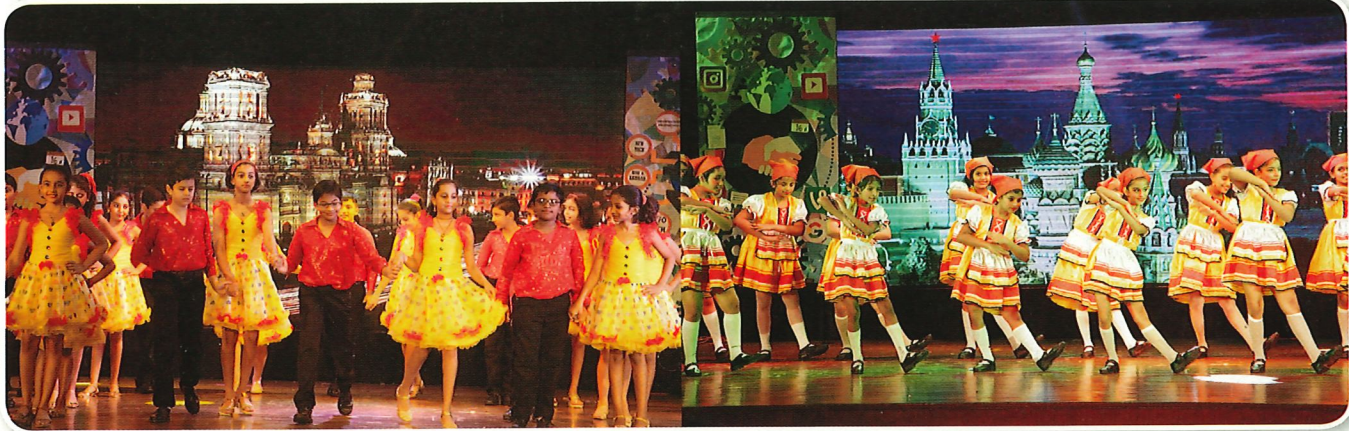
Man and his humble beginnings



Our Emojis speak louder than words !

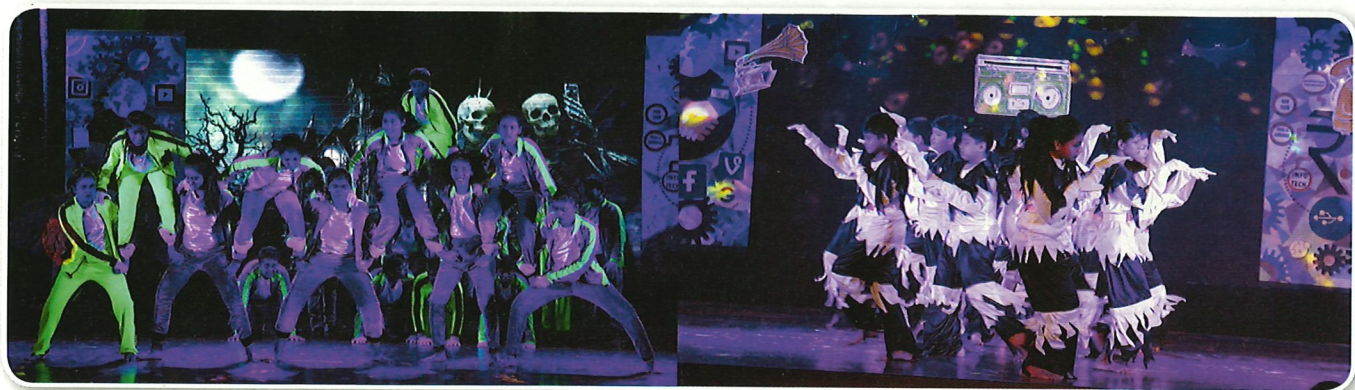


ANNUAL CONCERT 2016



A World United by Dance

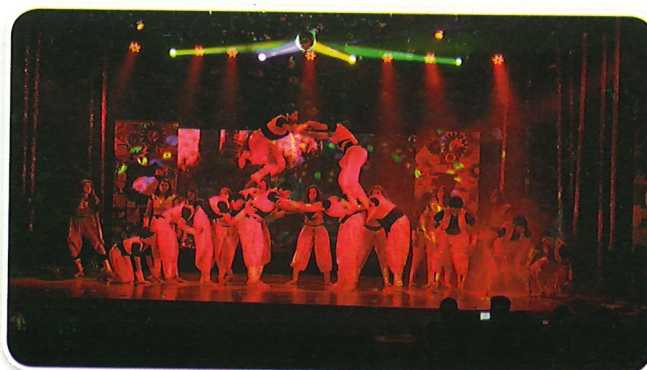
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Ghost Machines

ANNUAL CONCERT 2016

Living on the Edge

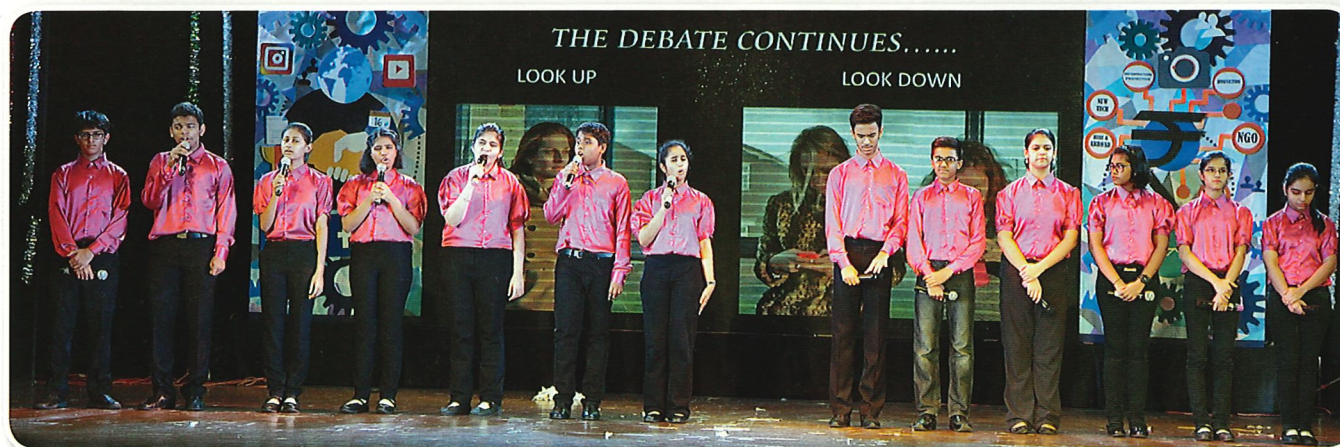
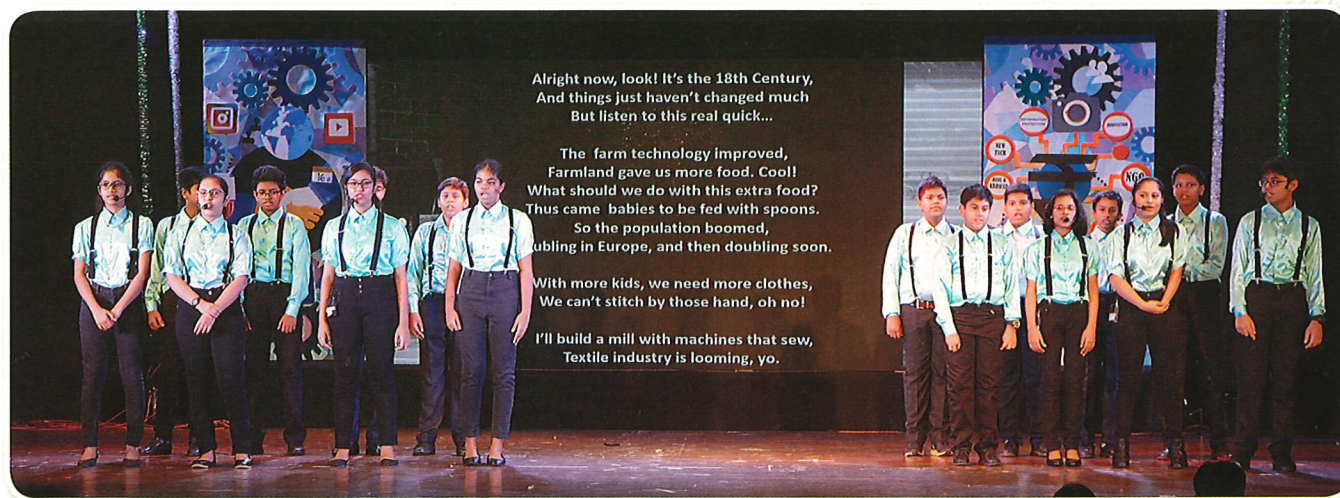


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Choral Debate

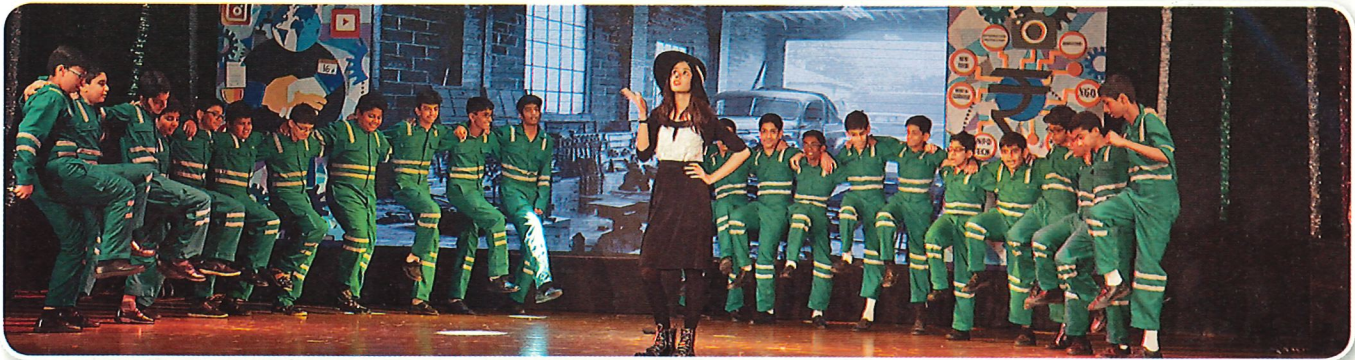
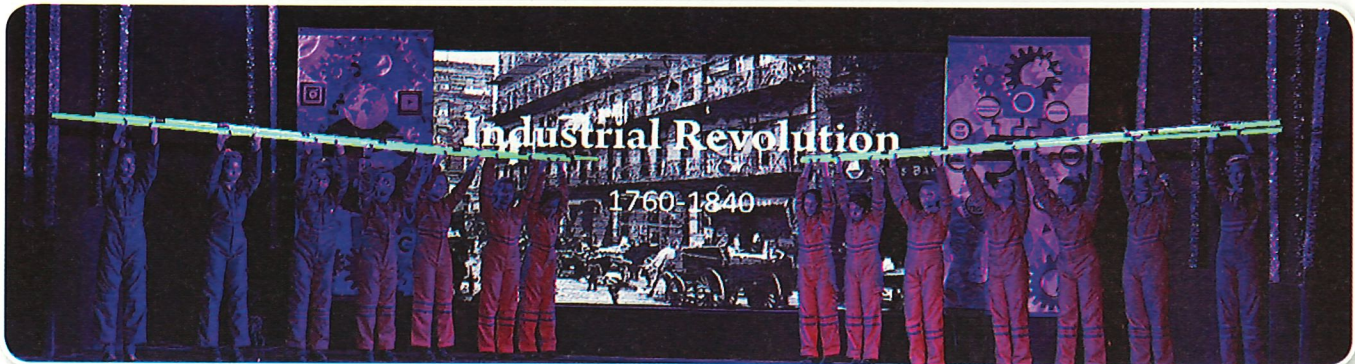
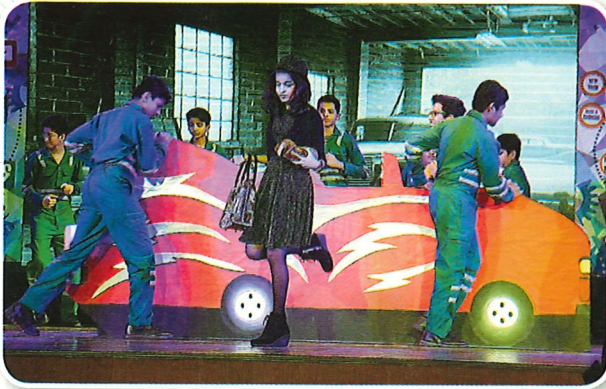


The Voice of the Youth



ANNUAL CONCERT 2016

The Industrial Revolution brings Winds of Change



Holding the Show Together...

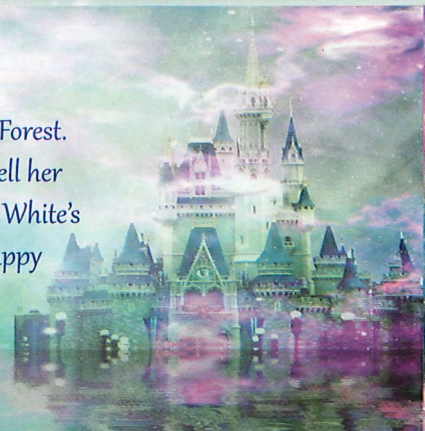


PRE-PRIMARY ANNUAL CONCERT



A Tale of Snow White and The Little Scots'

The theme centered around the story of Snow White who is lost in the Deep Forest. Snow White meets with the Little Scots who take her under their wing and tell her about all that they've learnt in School. The twist in the tale occurs when Snow White's Mother finds her lost daughter using Google Maps, and they all have a happy fairy tale ending...

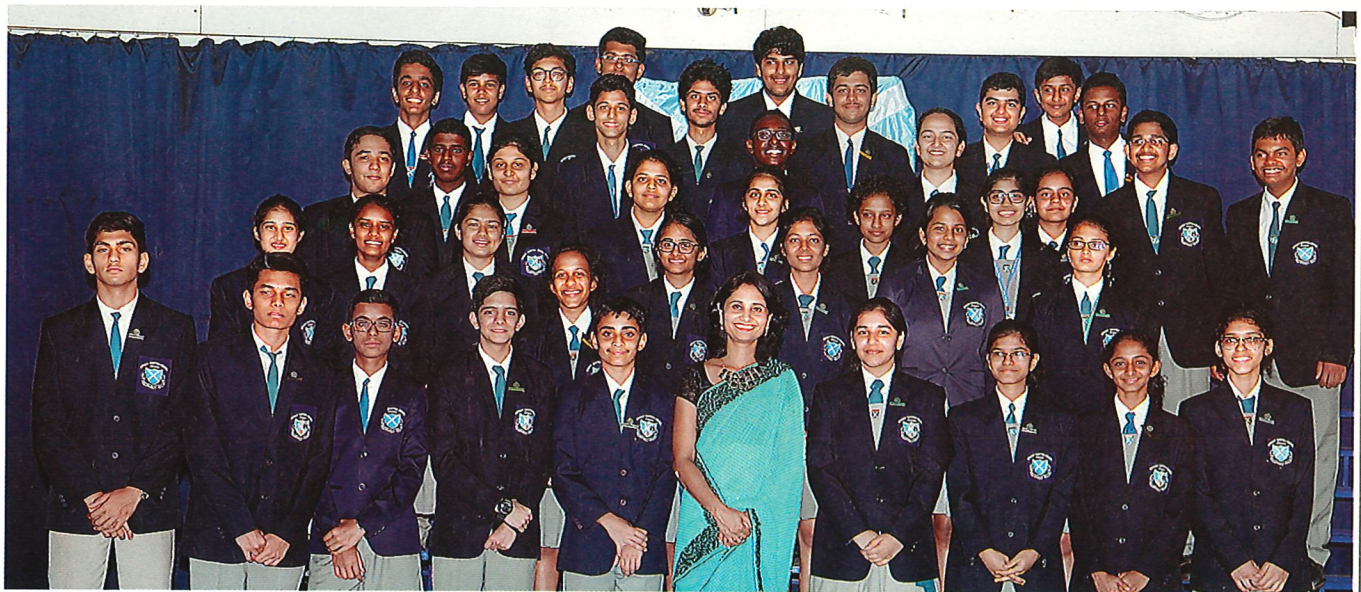
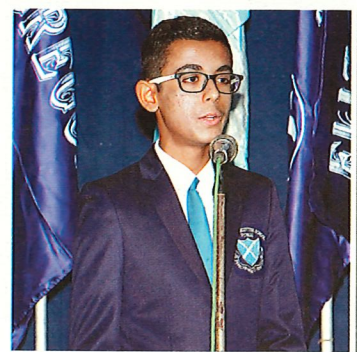
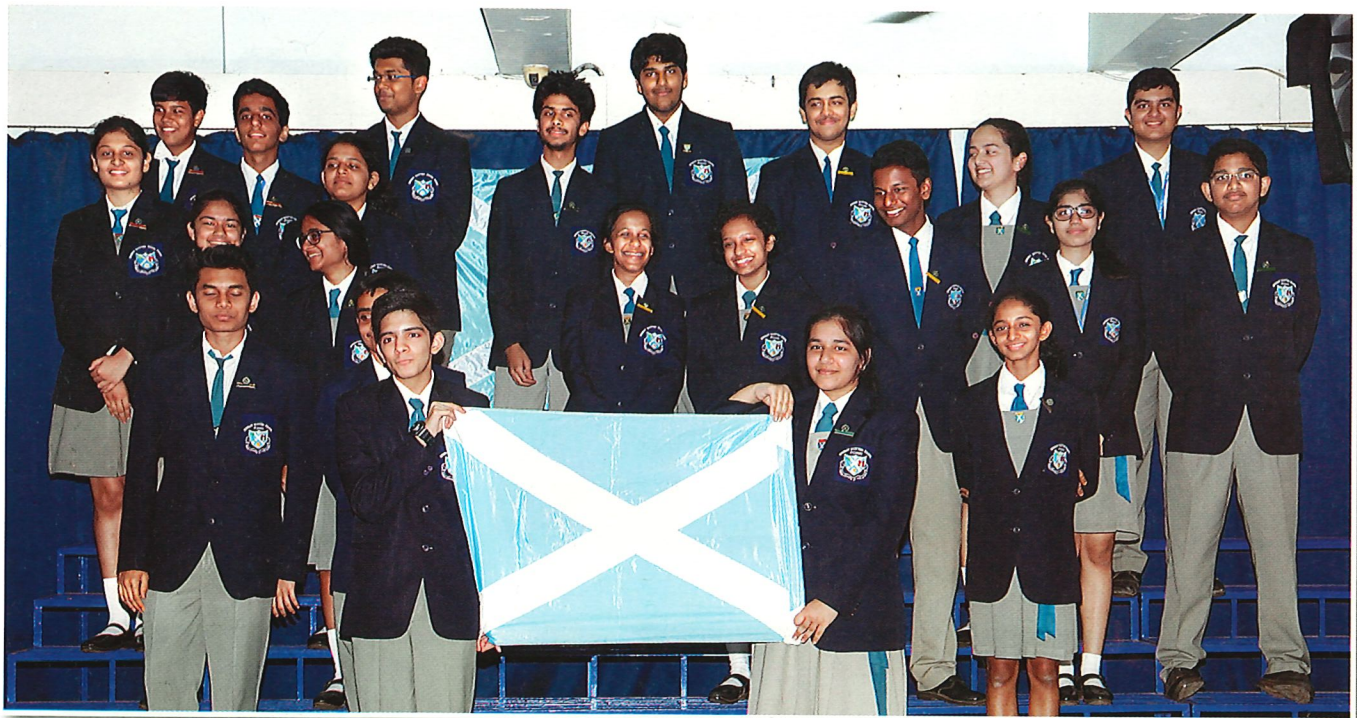




VALEDICTORY SERVICE



CHANGE OF GUARD



Words from the Wise

*'Success does not lie in the results but
in the efforts;*

*Being the best is not so important,
Doing the best is all that matters.'*

In these years that you have spent within the portals of this esteemed institution, you have not only gained knowledge, learnt to take responsibilities, prioritize duties but also learnt to lead while still working as part of the team. You've learnt the values of hard work, reverence, courtesy, candour and friendship.

With these values at your core, keep moving forward. You may feel very fastidious about what you are going to do in the future but hold fast to your uniqueness. Be different.

The solar system, unfortunately, has only one major sun, but do you know how many stars you can see twinkling in my eyes? One hundred and twenty one! Yes, all of you are my shining stars! So get set to radiate your positivity in all the four directions.

ALL THE VERY BEST.....

Mrs M. Verma
Class Teacher
Grade 10A

You are one of the best batches we have ever had. With the advent of technology, social media and networking, there is a metamorphosis of teaching and learning. Both the teachers and students complement each other in an effort to upgrade the learning process. I can easily say that I have learnt a lot from the interactions that I have had with you. Learning is a continuous process, thus, being receptive to new ideas is the key to consistent success.

An intense desire to achieve your goal will make every action fall into place. Only you can allow stress to craft its ugly nest in your life. When you feel stressed, acknowledge it and seek help from family, friends or teachers. Last but not the least, don't ever get distracted by social media. Control your use of social media and do not be controlled by it.

I wish you all the best.

God bless!

Ms.N.Sundaresan
Class Teacher
Grade10B

As you step out into this ferociously competitive world, you will realize that Scottish days were the best. Life offers opportunities to all, but only you can make the best of it. Everyone wants to taste success, but is it that easy? Socrates believed that if one wanted to succeed as badly as he wanted to breathe, then he would be successful

The motivation to succeed comes from the burning desire to fulfill a purpose. A burning desire is the starting point of all accomplishment. Just like a small fire cannot give much heat, a weak desire cannot produce great results. Here's what you can do to achieve success:

1. *Set a goal*- An eagle can spot its target from a distance, no matter how high it is flying. Just like an eagle, stay focused on your goal, no matter what the obstacle is.

2. *Acquire knowledge*- Eagles do not eat dead things. They feed on fresh prey. Similarly, we should steer clear of outdated, old information. Do your research well, always.

3. *Perseverance*- A river cuts through a rock, not because of its power, but because of its perseverance. In the same way, work hard and be consistent so that success never evades you

4. *Never get afraid*- When clouds gather, the eagles get excited. The Eagle is the only bird that loves the storm. The eagle uses the wings of the storm to rise and is, therefore, pushed higher. Achievers relish challenges and use them profitably.

5. *De-stress*- When the eagle feels weak, it retires to a place far away in the dark. Stress and fatigue are a part of life. We must retire to a quiet place, improve productivity and the quality of life.

God bless you!

Mrs. L. Ajitkumar
Class Teacher
Grade 10C



FAREWELL ICSE 2017





Mrs. S. George
flanked by
BSS Lad - Prashant Joseph
and BSS Lass - Dyuti Kumar



FOUNDER'S DAY

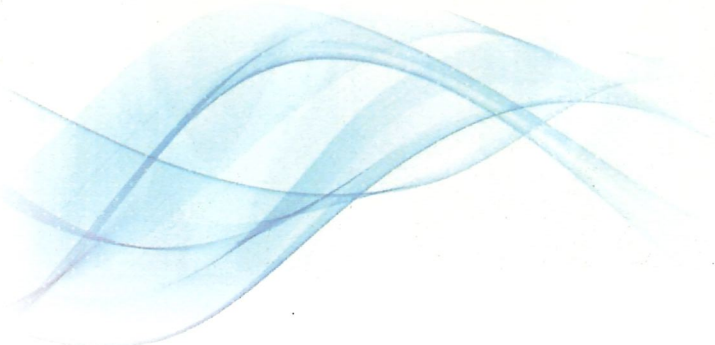
The School's 20th Founder's Day was celebrated on Saturday, 18th February 2017. A prayer service that remembers our Founders and Principals who have selflessly served the School in the past was held for the students, the day before. Mr. S.V. Albal (Administrator and Treasurer of the Bombay Scottish Orphanage Society) and Mr. Vinod Yennemadi (CEO, Bombay Scottish Schools) joined us for the Exhibition held for parents and other invitees.

The event offered a unique opportunity for both the staff and students to share an audio-visual and verbal presentation of current classroom activities and innovative teaching methodologies with the parents. Students worked in groups to create a display that expressed their personal learning experience in relation to the current curriculum.

As a part of the function, Grade 8 was provided with a platform that required the students to research, debate and discuss current events. The students put up presentations on the need for elections in a democratic state while emphasizing on the need to cast one's vote through a deliberative street play. The next group opened the eyes of the audience to the scary but very real existence of climate change. The students demonstrated online apps that calculate carbon footprints of an individual. The dramatic choral recitation ensured that the parents acknowledged the harsh reality of climate change. Another group scrutinized the much glorified Jallikattu Debate, complete with its origin in the Rabi festival of Pongal, harmonizing opposing views of celebrities and finally the bull's take on the entire topic.

Every other grade had students strengthening their communication skills and confidence as they prepared for live presentations of teaching methodologies and learning outcomes in subjects like English, Hindi, Math, Social Studies and Science. There were role plays and recitations, sociograms and collaborations, a forensic murder scene that required a thorough knowledge of Physics, Chemistry and Biology, and mathematical concepts that are a part of everyday lives. All students, some as young as Grade 3 showed their comfort level in using gadgets comfortably, whether it was holding a mike or the ICT in the classrooms. The parents were encouraged to interact with our presenters and provide feedback (some classes got the parents to do so on Google forms) on their exhibits.

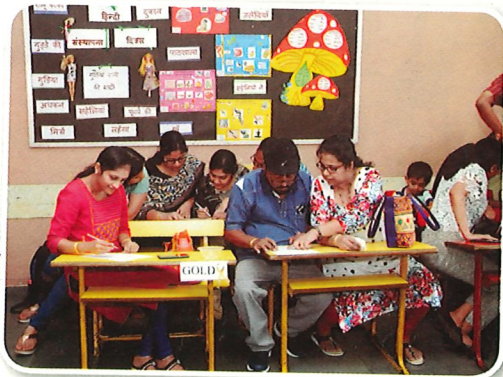
Parents were a part of all the activities, games and shows designed for them and thus had a peek into a day in their child's lives at School. They realized how keen and enthusiastic their children were about learning.



FOUNDER'S DAY



The Engaged **PARENTS**



FOUNDER'S DAY

The Young Enthusiasts



The Art Valley



THE FUTURE BEGINS HERE...



Great Leaders



Circle Time



Seasons in the Sun



THE FUTURE BEGINS HERE...



Safety Awareness Day



A Visit to the Super Market



Flower Rangoli



A Splash of Colour



Grandparents' Day

THE FUTURE BEGINS HERE...



Pet Day



Our Community Helpers



Wear a Colour to School Today



Nature - Our Teacher

THE FUTURE BEGINS HERE...



THE FUTURE BEGINS HERE...



*'Not All
Classrooms Have
Four Walls'*



THE FUTURE BEGINS HERE...

Educating the Heart - Vacation Bible School



Imagine - Invent - Inspire



THE FUTURE BEGINS HERE...





“
The start to a
better world is
the belief that
it is possible”



Bombay Scottish MUN Conference



NEW HORIZONS

FREXPRESSIONS

Frexpressions is an event that saw its first instance at Bombay Scottish School, Powai on Children's Day. The name literally means free expression of oneself. On that day, every classroom became an arena where students expressed their talent and were given certificates for the best display of the same. Every child picked two competitions that would showcase his / her special abilities. The teachers were so proud to see everyone take part enthusiastically. It truly was a day the children would never forget and it is already well on to becoming a tradition here at School. Some of the activities held on this day were as follows:



The students of Grades 1 to 5 participated in different activities of their choice:

- Clay modelling
- Face mask
- Candle decoration
- Origami
- Best out of waste
- Paper flower making



Students of Grades 6 & 7 shone in these activities:

- Rhythm House (Beat Boxing)
- Chef's Paradise
- Media House (Making an advertisement)
- Cyber Room (3D Model Making)
- Artists Guild
- Fancy Dress (Using Newspaper)

Students of Grades 8 & 9 rose to the challenge of the following:

- Chef – de – la – Scott
- Flaunt a Wear
- Rise-Up
- Puzzle Un-Puzzle

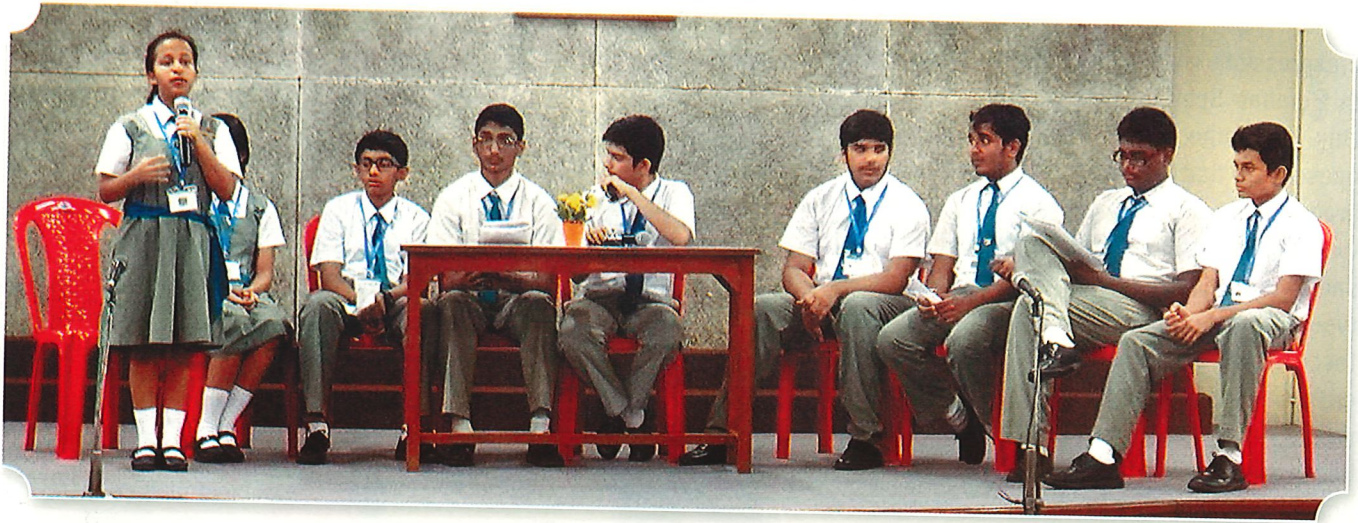
Our budding software techies assembled in the Cyber room to take up the challenge of puzzle making. Students were required to make a puzzle on Ms Power Point using pictures and animations.



Be All You Can Be...

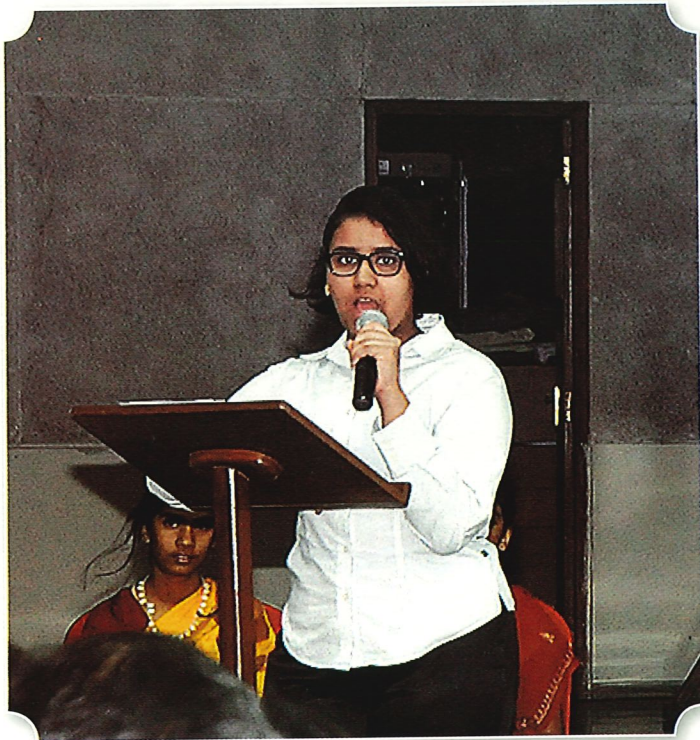
NEW HORIZONS

LENS IT



'Lens It' is one of the new initiatives of the School to help the students have their own perspective on what's happening around them. This form of thinking is one wherein they refuse to conform to what is speculated by the media or by radical opinions. They learn to see both sides of the story and arrive at their own sensible conclusions, untainted by impractical, insensitive beliefs. Each of these topics is looked at minutely, as if through a high powered (if not, empowering) Lens.





A puff of smoke
 The stench of venomous gas;
 Fear under the yoke
 Of men with guns,
 And without a heart.
 'Tis quite the horrific sight
 To watch brethren fight;
 Beings from the same great grandfather
 Harming one another.
 Various incidents causing plight
 Because of the wrong choice made by man;
 Trying to belong
 Hoping to find a family,
 And to take revenge
 But it has led them elsewhere.
 But to calm these surges
 I beckon thee, friends;
 To help bring back peace
 To our beloved homeland,
 To unite, and achieve ,
 The dream to live peace.

- Composed and recited by
 Angeline Jesudasan of Grade 9 at 'Lens It'

NEW HORIZONS

Summer Institute For The Gifted

Parents of Grades 5,6, and 7 were introduced to an '8 weeks online programme for the gifted students' organized by SIG (Summer institute for the Gifted), a not for profit organization which is governed by NSIG, USA. This organization uses the resources and facilities of Ivy League schools such as U.C. Berkeley, Yale University, Vassar College, Emory, UCLA etc

The following 4 students took part in the programme:

1. Sakshi Kale from Grade 6
2. Ronak Saha, Rishabh Patnaik and Aditya Agrawal from Grade 7

Some of the highlights of the programme were a choice of subjects between STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) and Humanities. Some of the salient features included an opportunity to learn hands-on, participate in the discussion forum, have an individualized programme, interaction with instructors, self paced learning etc.

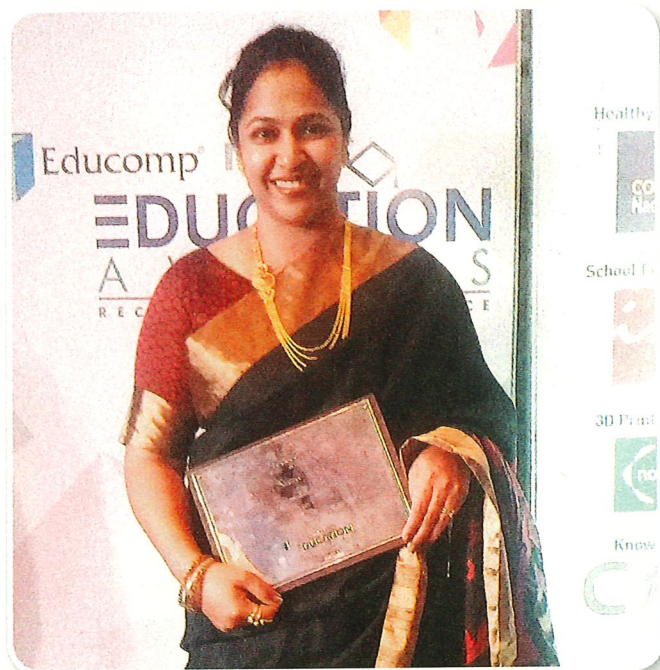
Our students chose topics like 'Colonising the Moon', 'Nuclear Physics' and Mathematics in day to day life. All the students completed the programme achieving top grades in each of their courses.



Two months into the new school year, 2016-2017, my English teacher Mrs.J.Ramesh and my Principal Mrs. Sunita George introduced me to the SIG (Summer Institute for Gifted) online program. There were four courses to choose from and I chose, "Moon-Ventures In Inventing". Being interested in astronomy it was a very interesting topic for me. During the 8 week course, I had Miss Leslie Patient as my teacher. The first few assignments tested our general awareness about space and moon. Later, it started to get more interesting. Each week we got to know more and more. There were several other students from all over the world and we shared our thoughts and ideas over the internet. We learnt how to make a human habitat on the moon. We were given assignments on topics like 'Mars VS Moon'. An interesting assignment was that of creating our own version of a Moon village. We made models and posted videos about them on the site. It was a great experience. I thank my teachers and School for giving me this opportunity.

-Ronak Saha, Grade 7

TEACHER'S NOOK



In a first-of-its-kind initiative, Educomp and NDTV jointly recognized and felicitated the efforts made by schools, educators and administrators to impart quality education under multiple categories, from across the country.

Conducted in two stages, the Education Awards were the culmination of a comprehensive assessment and performance review of more than 1700 entries by a jury which comprised eminent personalities known for their contribution to education. After evaluating the regional round winners from east, west, south and north zone, the winners for the National Round were announced at the Taj, Delhi on 15th of February 2017. The unflagging spirit of Scottishites was once again recognized when Ms Harpreet Kaur was declared the National Level Winner for the award for *Excellence in Social Science Teaching*. She was presented the award by none other than the Sarod Maestro, Ustad Amjad Ali Khan and Prof. Ashoke Sarkar, Director BITS Pilani in presence of many more eminent personalities, one of them being Manish Sisodia, Cabinet Minister for Higher Education and Deputy CM of Delhi. It was certainly a proud moment for all the Scottishites!!



Ms. Jayasree Ramesh represented India at the International Leadership in Education Program at the Centre for Advanced Studies Global Education, Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College and received Fellowship from the Arizona State University. This is a global scholarship programme Initiated by Department of States, USA and executed by IREX (International research and exchange board). The 2017 programme of ILEP received 1,20,000 plus teacher applications from 80,000 plus schools in India. Ms. Ramesh was one of the 16 educators from across the globe at Arizona State University, Tempe Campus and she had the opportunity to teach Mathematics and English, the American Public School curriculum and International Baccalaureate curriculum at Phoenix Union High School. She also conducted many Speech and Drama Club activities at the school as well as workshops and presentations for University students at Mary Lou Fulton Teachers college on diverse topics in Global Education.

Ms. Ramesh also participated in interesting cultural enrichment, mentoring and support programmes. As the Indian Ambassador, she showcased Indian culture, tradition and progress to students at the schools several University classes and for other teachers around the globe.

She volunteered at the University for Sustainability activities, Basketball matches, Para Olympics, Students Union, Indian students' activities, attended various fine arts festivals, music concerts and sports activities.

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Ms. Beena Marar and Mrs. N. S. Lakshmi qualified for the Teacher's Professional Olympiad, conducted by HCL. They were amongst the top 500 rank holders and were felicitated by the Principal, Mrs. S. George.



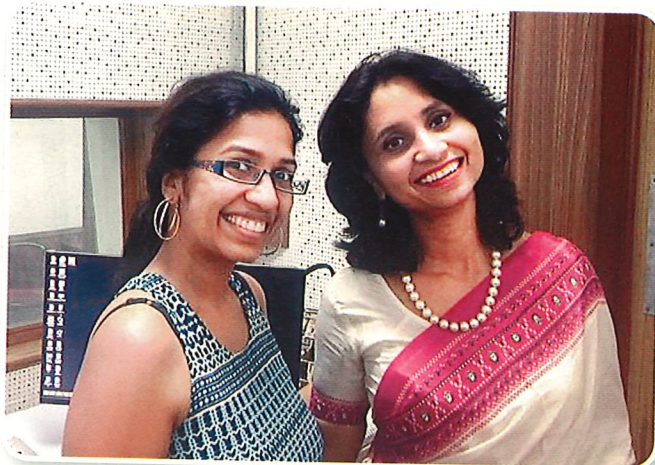
Ms Purbasha Roy won the Rotary Academic Excellence Award 2016 in recognition of her outstanding contribution to the field of education.



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Principal Mrs. S. George with Mr. Montek Singh Ahluwalia, Former Deputy Chairman of the Planning Commission of India and his wife, Mrs. Isher Judge Ahluwalia who is the Chairperson, the Indian Council for Research on International Economic Relations.



Principal Mrs. S. George at AIR – Samvadita Channel on the show 'Night Natter' with RJ Kiesha Lobo as a guest speaker giving insights on the Indian School Education System.



Mrs. J. Kotian and Mrs. M. Chakravorty receiving the Certificate of recognition awarded to the School for being one of Mumbai's Best Schools in the Hindustan Times Top Schools Survey 2016.



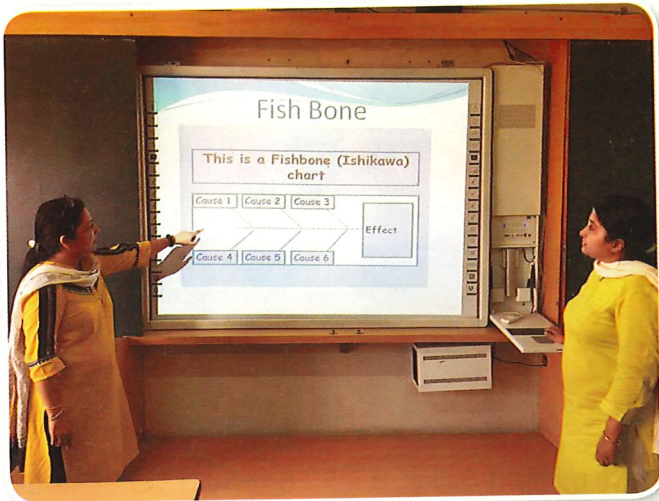
Mrs. J. Kotian and Mrs. P. Roy with Mr. Vikram Chandra at the NDTV Behtar India Campaign.



Mrs. P. Roy at the Exclusive International Conference "STEM - The Global Dream" by the STEM Academy of USA.



TEACHER'S NOOK



This academic year end witnessed great bonhomie among teachers brought about by peer learning. Workshops on various teaching tools and techniques were conducted for teachers by teachers. From 'Learning by Doing' to 'Questioning' ; from ' Flip Teaching', 'Graphic Organizers' 'Enquiry based learning' to 'Use of PPT and Videos in Teaching', every aspect was covered in great detail. Teachers also shed light on the effective conducting of assignments. All in all, it was an enriching experience for everyone involved.



WINNING LAURELS



Rianne Fernandes of grade 5C participated in the 41st Bombay YMCA State Level Annual Athletic meet in November 2016. She secured a gold medal in the 50m run and a bronze medal in the 100m run.



Shane Sumitra of Grade 4C won the Third Prize in World Wide Web Competition at Cascade held at Jamnabai Narsee Monjee School.



MACMILLAN - IAIS Assessment Winners



Salonee Dey of Grade 6 was the Runner Up at Lawn Tennis (U -12 Girls) and also won the gold Medal in the (U-12 Doubles Category) in the All India Tennis Association under MSLTA



Apeksha Fernandes of Grade 6 won the Individual Championship – Best Swimmer in the U-13 category at the GMAAA Swimming Meet. She won both silver and gold medals at the 34th Sub-Junior Maharashtra State Aquatic Championship. She now qualifies to represent the State at the National Swimming Meet in both individual and relay team events.



Aarav Krishna of Grade 3 got Gold in Kumite and Bronze in Kata in the 11th National Invitational Karate Championship

WINNING LAURELS



Ivanna Karkada of Grade 3B won a bronze medal in the balancing beam apparatus at a competition held at Goregaon Sports Complex held on 18th September, 2016. The event was organized for Gymnast Identification and Development Programme for Olympic Project 2020-24, Mumbai Division.



Winners of Brainwaves 2016 : Prakriti Gupta and Ritvik Bhat.



At the MSSA Football Tournament, (U-8) Boys - 2nd division secured 3rd place.



A WAY WITH WORDS – PRIZE WINNING ENTRIES

English Essay Writing Std 3 and 4

HELP OUR ENVIRONMENT

It was a sunny day. I was sleeping peacefully when I heard some noises. I got up and went to the window and saw some people marching in a procession. I asked my mother what was going on. She told me that my father and my father's friend were taking a procession to teach the neighbourhood how to help the environment by growing more trees, not playing loud music, not honking, using CNG for their cars, avoiding wastage of water etc. She even told me that many trees are dying because of the car smoke. First there were 1,99,420 trees in our city and now there were only 99,310 trees. I was shocked. I asked my mother if I could join them and she agreed. I called my friends and joined them and we planted 102 trees that day. What a wonderful day that was!!

*Ritwik Bhat-Grade 4
First Prize*

I WOULD LOVE TO STAY HERE!!

Antarctica, the place I would love to live in is in an area full of snow. I would love to make a snowman and skate on the ice. I would love to live there with my friends because it will be so much fun. It would be awesome to climb and slide down from the hills covered with snow.

I would like to make snowballs and throw it on my snowman. It would be fun to hide in the snow. It will be a wonderful day in the snow. I would see penguins from my window. The penguins are very beautiful and so are the seals and the polar bears who manage to stay warm. It is interesting to live in igloos. I feel really excited when I enter an igloo. The polar bears are so fluffy just like the snow. I would like to see the penguins swimming in the water.

*Nicole Da Costa – Grade 4
Second prize*

MY MOM AND DAD ARE THE BEST

It was a Saturday. Holiday! I was so excited to spend time with my mom and dad. My mom is a doctor and my dad

is an engineer. They both have a holiday on Saturday and Sunday.

My mom's name is Deepali. She takes care of me by helping me with my studies and serves me delicious, steaming, hot food. She loves me a lot. My dad's name is Manish. He helps me with my project work and other assignments. My father has always taught me one thing in life- 'There are only three essentials to achieve anything in life, first- hard work, second- stick to the itinerary and the third - common sense.' He helps my mom with making stuff in the kitchen and loves her a lot. My mom and dad take me for outings. We all have a lot of fun together.

*Prakriti Gupta , Grade 4
Third Prize*

I WOULD LOVE TO STAY HERE!!

I want to live in a snowy hill station because it's beautiful and full of snow.

Everyday, I would build a snowman or go skiing. I would make many new friends and have snow fights with them. In the night, I would hear the winds howling, the animals making sounds and the birds chirping. I would dare not go for swimming in the icy waters but instead would go and sit near a fire place. I would roll in the snow, and see many animals like deer, bears and foxes. I would enjoy climbing the tall pine trees and I wouldn't mind the small cuts and scratches. I would explore the woods with all my friends as it were a fairyland. Alas, I can see this only in my dreams. If Merlin the Wizard were alive, he could have taken me to the place of my dreams for a while. When I turn twenty, I will definitely go to such a place myself.

*Roshni Ramaratnam , Grade 4
Third Prize*

I WOULD LOVE TO STAY HERE!!

I love to play in the snow. I can skate and play with my friends. I love making a snowman. Children like playing in the snow. I love to slide down the mountains and go camping with my friends and relatives.

Camping is fun. Snow covers the trees, flowers and buildings. We like to stay warm and sit by the fire. My parents





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help me skate. I love drinking hot soup, coffee and tea in the cold weather. Playing in the snow is great fun. Snow is better than summer. I love snow!

*Jemi Philip, Grade 3
Consolation*

Std 5 and 6

THE BOOK THAT GOT ME HOOKED TO READING

Many people like reading different kinds of books. Some like mysteries or simple comedies. I like reading mysteries. The book that got me hooked onto reading is the 'Adventures of Feluda' Volumes 1 & 2.

I feel that it is the best book in the world. The book is about a bachelor, Feluda who has a younger cousin, Tapeshe who is lovingly called 'Topshe' by Feluda. There are 15 stories in Volume 1 and 18 stories in Volume 2. In the first volume's third story, they meet Lal Mohan Ganguly whom they call Lal Mohan Babu who writes book under the pseudonym 'Jatayu'. In the book, Feluda is a private crime investigator. People come to him to solve their cases and he solves it for them. He lives in West Bengal. Mostly, all his cases are solved outside West Bengal and some are solved in Bengal itself.

The book has an element of suspense. As he solves the cases, you feel like you are a part of it. Even if you read the book a number of times, you will not get bored.

Lalmohan Babu gets famous in the second volume as he is Feluda's best friend. Feluda is very popular amongst the people. I was very sad when the book got over. He solves his cases on beaches, on mountains and even in foreign countries. When he solves a mystery, he is always in danger because the criminal is always after him.

I am in love with this book. I have told many of my friends to read this book and they love it too. The book is written in Bengali by Satyajit Ray. It has been translated into English by Gopi Majumdar. Anyone who reads this book will fall in love with it.

*Ishita Vohra, Grade 6
First Prize*

FUTURE HOMES

When the famous scientist, Adit Gupta made a time belt which could go into the past or the future he went into the past to examine an extinct animal called the Byronyx. Now he was going to go to the unknown future which could be a fun trip or spell disaster.

So, he set off to the future to see what it would be like. When he reached, he was in a small park with slides in open spaces, a rope way with a swing attached to it and really bouncy trampolines. A girl shot out of the slide flew into the air and went through the other hole! She looked a lot like him. So he went to the girl's house. He saw that her mother looked exactly like his wife. So he went into the house saying that he was their actual great grandfather because he really was! And also he saw the same belt that he had made and kept in something like an aquarium without water. He looked at the house which had robots washing dishes, washing clothes and dusting the bookshelf. Nothing was being done without the use of technology! He went to the washroom. Instead of toilet paper, there was a newspaper pile. One by one they went into a machine giving out new, fresh and soft toilet paper! When he went into the kitchen, he saw a patch of wheat and maize growing. The mother of the girl was amazed to see a man exactly like her daughter.

Even though he always wanted to play with his great granddaughter he did not have the time. So, sadly he went back to do his work. But just before he pressed the button he saw a crack in the floor which was widening every second when suddenly BOOM! The earth blasted.

*Adit Gupta, Grade 5
Second Prize*

LIFE AMONG THE CLOUD PEOPLE

There was once a time when all the people lived on clouds. They were really very tiny. They would ride on birds, lived a happy life and were called Cloudins.

They made their houses out of clouds. They used to grow plants. Some of them gave fruits and vegetables while some gave spices of different types. When they watered their plant, the water would come down as rain. They would sleep on soft, comfortable cloud beds. Children would play games like forming the best shape out of the clouds. When people would paint the colours, they splashed them about to form beautiful rainbows. When they used to erase them, the clouds would turn into snowfall. They used to travel the





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world on birds and enjoy their rides. They didn't have to study anything there. They used to hide when airplanes or helicopters would fly and that's why nobody knows about their whereabouts. They know bird languages and talk to them. There is a special palace for their king and queen. They even used to keep pets like cats and dogs.

This was the happy kingdom of the Cloudins.

*Diva Biyani, Grade 5
Third Prize*

THE BOOK THAT GOT ME HOOKED TO READING

Not a long time ago, my mother bought me a book called An Eagle in the Snow. I liked the summary of the book. It was about a soldier who had the chance to stop World War I. But then he also did a mistake which caused World War II. I did not have anything to do so I started reading it. It turned out to be interesting. When I was reading the book I came across the mistake. The mistake was that when the war had been won, the soldier whose name is William Bryon did not kill a soldier who was looking tired and was going home. I didn't understand how sparing someone's life could be a mistake until I came to know it was Hitler who he had not killed.

It was very interesting. I finished it in one day. I would like to read a book like that again.

*Aanya Saraf, Grade 5
Third Prize*

Std 7 and 8

GO TO NEVERLAND? OKAY!!

I woke up with a start and a bright, white light flooded my vision. I could feel the warm sand beneath me and see the blue sky above me while hearing water crashing against something. 'Wait. Water?', I thought. And then it all came back to me- The scene of the ship carrying my family sinking right before my eyes, while I am stranded in a life-boat, left to face the raging storm alone.

Surprised to be alive, I slowly got up, dusted the sand off me and looked all around me. I took in the sight of the water, the

birds and the trees. My heart sank as I soon realized that I was marooned on an island- alone! Was I? I debated with myself if I should wait here and probably starve or get eaten by an animal or explore, find food and still get eaten by an animal. From all the movies I had seen, the hero normally goes and explores the island. Trusting Indiana Jones' judgement more than mine, I took my first step towards the huge thicket of trees.

As soon as I stepped into the forest I was surrounded by a cool, gentle breeze, sweet smelling flowers and lots of fruits. I plucked one hoping and praying that it really was a mango and not something that could kill me. I took a bite of the fruit and a sweet, tantalizing taste filled my mouth. As I continued walking, I was amazed at the various types of birds, newts and bugs I saw! Finally, I heard the sound of running water and I realized how thirsty I was! I ran towards the direction of the water and I saw a stream so crystal clear, I could see the smooth pebbles at the bottom. I quickly splashed some water on my face and gulped down some of the cool, refreshing water. My stomach satisfied and my thirst quenched I did something that Indiana Jones would definitely disapprove of. Without any shelter or weapon I lay down beside the cool stream and let the birds sing me to sleep.

Once again I woke up with a start. Something was behind the bushes. I knew this as I heard the rustling of leaves. This sound was heard all around me! I grabbed a stone which wouldn't provide any protection as it was smooth. The rustling sound began to intensify as the things got closer and a figure clad completely in green jumped out of the trees above me. I screamed and stumbled backwards right into the stream. "Sorry, I seem to have startled you. My crew and I were wondering who you are. The name's Peter Pan."

Peter Pan? Was this kid trying to pull a fast one on me? My face must have said what I was thinking as he let out a shrill whistle. Small boys between the ages five to eleven jumped out wielding catapults and scary looking stick swords. "This is my crew- The Lost Boys." The Lost Boys, Peter Pan? This must mean I'm in Neverland! But that's impossible! "Actually, it's possible, but I can show you something better!" Peter Pan said. I was really starting to feel that he could read minds too. He grabbed a handful of something and threw it on me. "Hey!", I exclaimed. And suddenly my feet were lifted off the ground and I soared through the trees. I looked around me amazed! Peter Pan and the Lost Boys joined me up on the tree tops.





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"So how would you like to be a part of the Lost Boys?" he asked extending his hands towards me. I looked at the eager faces of the Lost Boys and the amazing island around me and in the distance a pirate ship. I took a deep breath and took his hand.

*Amy Vasudevan, Grade 8
First Place*

A MOMENTARY MEMORY MISS

The sun shone furiously as I opened my eyes. There were huge coconut trees surrounding the beach coast. Where was I? I remembered that I had gone on a voyage on a large ship alone. But after that everything had turned black, I was worried.

I didn't have the time to worry about how I had landed up here but rather decided to focus on how to survive in this lonely (perhaps) yet beautiful island. Everything here seemed so welcoming. The sun shone brightly, the coconut trees danced away beat and the sand which seemed so soft. I was standing on a land of golden feathers. Wait, I didn't come here on a vacation! I had to survive on this island till I got some help. I started collecting twigs and found some rope. While I was doing this tedious and tiring job, I realized that there was a forest behind. The coconut tree chains... For a minute, I thought, a forest is a dangerous place. I might become someone's lunch rather than finding my own lunch. But as I thought over it again, my stomach rumbled so loudly that I thought there might be a lion behind me. It didn't take me long to understand that it was my own stomach that was making these loud noises, pleading me to feed it. I had no choice but to take the bundle of twigs in my hand and place the rope around my neck as if it were a scarf.

The forest looked scary as I went deeper and deeper inside. I didn't stop until I saw someone's wallet. I picked up the wallet. Wait, what? It was my own wallet in this creepy forest! I went through the contents to cross-check and even found my picture in it

Curious, I ventured deeper and found a clearing. To my amazement, a swimming pool with a giant slide with waiters serving soft drinks to everyone in the middle of a FOREST! And what bothered me most was that my dad and my brother were swimming while my mother clicked photo-

graphs. Then, I remembered that I had gone to the hotel to change into my swimming costume but I took a wrong route and landed up near the beach. A coconut had fallen over my head and I had fainted. But, what about my imagination and my thoughts about getting stranded on an island while on a voyage? I realized I was too engrossed in the book which I had been reading, "Robinson Crusoe"!

*Ananya Guha, Grade 7
First Place*

THE TIME I MET EMLGMA

I have just come back home. Can you guess from where? You wouldn't be able to guess it- The Moon! I have done something that I would have never thought of- I fought a Martian. Let me tell you how.

One day, when I was busy playing video games, my mother called me. She said, "Neel, can you please go to Wally B's and get me some milk?" So I wore my space-suit and rode my hovercraft to the departmental store. You see here we can't ride bicycles like we do on earth... so, I reached Wally B's and went to the dairy section. It was lined with all kinds of milk-powders, (we don't have cows here so we have to use milk powder) when suddenly I felt tremors in the ground. I heard people shouting and an ear-blasting screech.

When I first saw it I didn't know how to react. It was an enormously, massively giant Martian ant-eater. It was a Emlgma. It had giant tusks and green fur. Its eyes were as black as a starless night sky. Its legs could easily be mistaken for buildings. And of course, like all ant-eaters, it had a very long nose. And then it started barging into the departmental store. I did not know what to do. It came towards me. I ran! At the dairy section there was a mother and her baby. The mother looked terrified out of her wits. That's when I ran back, took a few packets of milk powder and threw it on its eyes. Now with greater power, I took the chocolates and threw them at the Emlgma. When the chocolates hit the milk powder packets, they exploded and the powder went into his eyes. It moaned and groaned. I hurried to the toy section and took the toy guns and told the others also to do the same. We fired bullets at him. He started shooting lasers from his nose. Bam! Bam! Bam! Whatever it hit, turned into portals to Mars. The only way to save these people was to lead it back to Mars. I got its attention and lead it into a portal. Zip! Zap! Zoop! I was in Mars! I sighed a bit but didn't know how to get back. Nearby I saw water, Martian water! Mars water was a portal to Moon. I jumped into it but the Emlgma





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caught me in mid-air. I tried hitting it but it didn't work! Then I made screaming noises. Aaah! Aaah! Emlgma's ears burst and it let me go out of pain. I fell right into the portal. Zip! Zap! Zoop! I was back! I kicked dirt into the portal to close it. I was picked up by a wave of cheering crowd. I was a hero! I returned home sweating. And my mom asked, "What took you so long?" All I did was chuckle.

*Neel Milind Joshi, Grade 7
Third Place*

ISLAND OF THE SKULL TEMPLE

I was sailing to New York for my summer vacations. The sea was looking beautiful because of the sunlight, the atmosphere was warm and comfortable. But that night was the turning point in my life. A storm was heading from the East. The captain could not control the private yacht and called us. We immediately took some food, some torches, a few pairs of clothes, money and first-aid. We boarded the life boat and tried to go away from the yacht but it was too late. The storm had hit us.

When I opened my eyes, I found myself on some beach. My parents and a sailor were lying unconscious. I first checked their heart beats and then blew some air into their lungs. My mother and father woke up but the sailor didn't. We tried our best but then we realized that he died because of excess water in his lungs. So now our only motto was to survive. We first took out three knives that I had taken from the kitchen. I cut some wild berries, bananas, and pineapples from the tropical trees. I loved their tastes as they were, of course, organic. I took some and kept them in my bag pack. After wandering in search of food, we discovered a cave. There we found a skull. I took courage and kicked it out of the cave. I soon realized that if it was a human skull, then there must be some inhabitants also. That night, we managed to stay in the cave and made a fire. The next day, I saw a small child in the forest, my parents and I followed him and soon reached a village. It was a well organized place. They mistook us for gods and welcomed us with flowers and bones, which took me by surprise. Then they took us to the 'Skull Temple', made of bones, skulls, ribs and some cement like material. On every new moon the bones glow. They believed that they received the divine blessings of "Afleeha", their god and

every month they would sacrifice an animal in his honour and sprinkle its blood on everybody's head. They told us to sit on the throne made of approximately 10 bones, 5 ribs and 20 skulls. When we sat they washed our hands with honey and milk and offered us some water, food (fruits and a bread made of barley). We could only communicate through sign language. They provided us shelter and a personal carriage. We even saw their fields, their cattle stock and their other temples. Once I asked them to give us a boat for catching fish. They gave us a boat made of coconut tree bark and two paddles and three fishing rods made of a branch and banyan tree. Luckily, we saw a passing ship. I quickly took out my flare gun and fired it and it hit the target. The military ship's speed boat came towards us. It was a US military ship. I was overjoyed. We informed them about this lonely island of the Skull Temple. They took us in their ship and offered us some tea. It was not a registered island. We were sent to our homes soon and reunited with our family. Our family was awarded for discovering the island. A special ceremony was conducted in memory of the dead sailor. This was an eye opening event and the island has been named Skull Island, where the inhabitants are still kind, ritualistic and helpful.

*Jashaank Arora, Grade 8
Consolation Prize*

Std 9 and 10

THE OLD PHOTOGRAPH

Grandma's house had always been a pirate island. One could find treasure in any part of this house.

One afternoon, after eating a hearty lunch of lentils and rice, I decided to roam around the house and see if I could find some funny pictures of my mother. I sauntered into the attic which had not been cleaned for, I think, at least 6 months now. Stifling the sneeze that had developed, I walked over to the rusty brown book shelf and pulled out the collection of poems which were bound together in an oily cover. I decided to sit on the huge armchair that was kept in the attic.

It was a hot May afternoon, the birds were sitting in the tree's shade, on the cool branches and chirping now and then. Grandma was asleep and Ma wouldn't come until tomorrow. As I walked over to the chair, I noticed that a black book was kept on it, the silver spine of the book managed to catch my eye.





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Forgetting about the poems, I took up the book instead which turned out to be an album. I turned over many photos of my mother and their old home in hilly Dehradun. But one small black and white photo in the middle of the book, stole all my attention. It was a picture of a young dark haired girl in a sari. Although the picture was black and white, the girl's skin shone. She was standing in front of an ivy-covered wall. On closer inspection, I recognised her. It was Grandma, for sure. She looked so young and happy. It was hard to believe that such a pretty face had been conquered by wrinkles. In her picture, she was pointing towards the wall. Maybe she had planted the ivy and had green fingers since then or maybe she was pointing at someone who hid behind the wall when the picture was being taken. I now knew where I got my sharp nose from. I smiled and slowly slipped the frail picture out of the album. As I walked down to where grandma was calling me for snacks I knew that tonight "The Rabbit And the Turtle" would take a back seat as I had to learn the story behind this frail picture, at bed time.

After snacks, when we went to my bedroom, I pulled out the picture and she adjusted her spectacles before looking at the picture and smiling. "This was when I was working. You were ten then but since you lived in Mumbai you did not see me for so long", she said. "But what are you pointing at?" I asked. "That" she smiled "is a story for another day". After she left, I kept staring at the ceiling. Grandma had gotten old. Although it was difficult, I realised that she wouldn't be around in the future. I prayed to God and thanked Him. I went to sleep with a smile on my face and the picture in my heart.

*Nandini Dixit, Grade 10
First Place*

A FOOTBALL MATCH TO REMEMBER!

I looked around at the empty and dusty stadium, which bore an ancient look. The fans were slowly pouring into the stadium. From afar it looked like a single file, a strange ritual of the worst savages. But upon further inspection, their organised chaos was apparent. Chanting, pushing and raising crimson banners, they walked into the stadium along with the incessant chattering of the West Ham fans. I thanked God that I was sitting in the neutral stands. I didn't like the looks of this a lot.

I suppressed all other emotions inside myself and tried to concentrate on the sea of white in the other end. The blob of white seemed alive, waving their hands together. The Fulham fans looked more respectable, but in football, that is a relative term. The neutral stand was still vastly unoccupied and I had an empty row to myself until a blonde man wearing a Burnley jersey (a bit out of place here), gingerly walked up to me and sat down next to me. "This is going to be interesting", the 'Bernley' man said. This did not help my fragile state of mind in any conceivable way. Engrossed in this spectacle of fandom, I did not notice the referee coming into the field. You see, I am usually a cricket fanatic (Surrey being my county and that's just because my home county, Gloucestershire, cannot win anything) and cricket fanatics usually don't riot in England. So, the eleven players of each team followed the referee and a loud cheer from the fan stands brought me back to hard, cold reality. Fulham's captain had won the toss (surprising they have it in football) and loud jeering had started emanating from the West Ham supporters. The Fulham forward passed, the left forward sent it back to the centre-mid, who sent it flying towards the right forward of Fulham, who was then intercepted by the new West Ham signing, Willie or something his name was.

With every move the ball made, the seas of red and white erupted into a frenzied excitement. The West Ham defender clears it ahead and it is caught in the West Ham right-mid's feet who sends it flying into the Fulham goal. A roar erupts from the reds and is greeted with silence from the whites. Then, the end begins. A large flare, the size of a policeman's baton lands in the pitch shooting flames in all directions. The Hon. Charles Andrew Puttingham, Inspector in charge of security, meekly leads the teams to safety. By this time, the solitary flare is met by clanging on the fences separating the stands and was met with burning flares on either side of the fence. I waited and gasped when the fence broke and the fisticuffs began. The mix of red blood cells and white blood cells was truly a pleasure to watch, but when blood starts to really shed, it makes a civilized man a bit sick.

The trampling of the fans was met with an army of policeman carrying the customary truncheon to beat the hooligans. Only, it was too late, as the fence separating the field and the stands collapsed taking the fight to the fields. Brother turned on brother, sister clawed sister, and Tory teamed up with Labour to beat the poor Liberal Fulham supporter. Who needs France when we have ourselves? Thus I conclude, I shall keep to places where the police does not resort to water gun the rioters, who were by now beating a troop of ten





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helpless constables. God save the Queen. The Burnley man looked at all of this and shrugged.

After a long day, I went back to my cosy home in Cambridge and made myself some tea. I turned on the television and started in disbelief as the Burnley man was talking to the reporter from BBC who addressed him with, "Commissioner Loyd, what do you think about the situation?". The Burnley man replied, "It's sad that the match was called off".

*Sourodipito Roy – Grade 9
Second Place*

A STUDYHOLICS JOURNEY TO SLEEP

The sun peeked out from his curtain of clouds, letting the earth below soak in his warmth. The rays of warmth peeked through every window, and awakened the slumbers from their unconsciousness. Except one, where a young boy, 12 years of age, had numerous books spread on his table, his study lamp lit and dark circles underneath his eyes proving his deprivation of sleep.

This boy was Anil Kumar, the infamous genius of the Red-diyar School, Chennai. Anil was a study head who liked to go to sleep at 12 in the night after finishing his daily lessons and get up at 4 o'clock in the morning to start his lessons for the next day. This seemed to work fine for him as his body wouldn't get tired, after all his biology encyclopaedia had told him, and besides he would get his power nap at school, he had become quite good at it.

But this was a Saturday and he was intent on working as much as possible. Yet, his head seemed inclined to lean against the cool table surface, and his eyes seemed too heavy. Anil shook his head, trying hard to stay awake! He had to complete studying this portion. Anil looked outside. It was still two hours till sunrise. The birds were singing as loudly and gaily as they could, they wouldn't let him go to sleep. A thought struck him and two minutes later he was outside his textbook on his lap.

The deliciously warm sunlight filtered through the neem tree that had been planted in the garden. The birds were still singing and Anil noticed with joy that they were mynahs. They were singing so sweetly that Anil put his book aside and listened to them. His eyes drooped slightly, and he was snoring softly in no time

And this was how his mother found him. Chuckling to herself, she called her husband to take Anil to his room.

*Angeline Jesudasan , Grade 9C
Third Place*

A FOOTBALL MATCH TO REMEMBER!

As the tension rose, the winds blew and the teams lined up, excitement flushed the atmosphere. Bets were staked and promises were made. It was the grandest football match of the year, the Champions League Final. The premier league champions Chelsea faced the German league champions Bayern Munich

The match had been thrilling and kept the spectators on their toes throughout. Bayern scored an exquisite goal right at the end, the 83rd minute. Supporters from Bayern erupted. The stands started vibrating. Noise and buzz filled the air. Chelsea received a corner in the 87th minute which was converted into an equalizer by none other than the legendary Didier Drogba!

The expressions of the Chelsea fans were something which I will never forget. There were tears of joy. The equaliser was considered to be more than a winner. Spectators started conflicting and throwing food and plastic bottles at each other due to twist and turns which the match was portraying. In the 93rd minute Bayern Munich received a penalty. The Allianz Arena erupted. It was too much drama for one person to handle. Petr Cech saved Robben's penalty. Shocking and stunning were the words etched in my mind. It was astonishing.

That was enough to blow the lid off the vessel. Two rows ahead of where I was seated a Chelsea fan slapped his Bayern counterpart. Egos crossed their paths and they both came to blows. When their pride was at stake, it was only glory that mattered.

There were various expressions all around. The sound of seats breaking and people falling could be heard. This went on for ten minutes before the concerned authorities and police force salvaged the situation.

Chelsea was the winner in the end. They scored on penalties. There was rejoicing everywhere. I must say I will never be able to forget that simply stunning night, the UEFA Champions League Final.

*Yash Ajmera – Grade 10
Third Place*





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Hindi Poem Writing Grade 3 & 4

माँ

घर की लक्ष्मी होती है माँ,
हर पल चिंता करती है माँ,
भूल हो गई तो क्या ?
माँ है ना !
खाना बनाती है बावर्ची जैसे,
एक बार खाओगे तो लालची बन जाओगे।
बार्ते करती है कम,
काम में है दम
ये होती है माँ ।

रितिक भट
चौथी अ

प्रथम पुरस्कार

माँ

मेरी माँ है सबसे न्यायी ,
और वे हैं बहुत संस्कारी।
करती हैं वे सारे काम,
बिना करे थोड़ा आराम।
गरम - गरम खाना बनाती,
हर रात कहानी सुनाती।
मेरी माँ हैं बहुत अच्छी,
मैं हूँ एक खुशनसीब बच्ची।

रिया रॉडरिक्स
चौथी ब
प्रथम पुरस्कार

पक्षी

काश मैं पक्षी होती,
मेरी हर खाहिश पूरी होती।
आसमान छूने की चाह मेरी पूरी होती,
काश मैं पक्षी होती।
जाति, धर्म, समाज की
दीवार न कोई मैं ढोती।
ये पेड़ पर फुदकती चिड़ियों की चहचहाहट ,
ये समुन्दर की लहरों का शोर,
जैसे बारिश में नाचता मोर।

सारे अहसास बटोर लेती,
काश ! मैं पक्षी होती।

प्रकृति गुप्ता
चौथी ब
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बादल

बादल जब आते हैं बारिश शुरु हो जाती है,
चम चम मोर भी नाचने लग जाते हैं,
बादल हँस हँसकर रोते हैं।
बच्चे खिड़की के बाहर देखकर-देखते रहते हैं,
उनका भी मन करता है बारिश में खेलने के लिए।
अभी बादलों में सूरज छिप गया है,
मोर भी चले गए हैं,
मुझे बारिश का मौसम बहुत पसंद है।

आशना बथेजा
तीसरी क
सांत्वना पुरस्कार

Grade 5 & 6

मेरे प्यारे पापा

मेरे प्यारे पापा
करते मुझसे बहुत प्यार
मेहनत करते दिन-रात
होता है उनको बहुत काम

मेरे प्यारे पापा
वह पहनते हैं चश्मे
न कोई छोटी मूंछ
पर हैं उनके छोटे बाल

मेरे प्यारे पापा
हैं वे बहुत खास
सभी का ध्यान रखते
अलग हैं उनके विचार
मेरे प्यारे पापा
वे कभी हार न मानते
रोते हुए बैठना
न उन्होंने जाना कभी
मेहनत करते रहते वह

मिहिका सराफ,
द'ब', प्रथम पुरस्कार





चाहे हार मान लें सभी

मेरे प्यारे पापा
मेरे प्यारे पापा,
मेरे प्यारे पापा के जैसे,
दुनियाँ में न कोई,
उनका प्यारा स्वभाव,
मेरे मिटाए घाव
उनकी आवाज मीठी,
कोयल जैसे वाणी,

उनके जैसा अच्छा दिल,
नहीं मिले कहीं भी
उनसे करें सभी प्यार,
मम्मा और भाई,
लेकिन जितना म करूँ,
दुनियाँ में करे न कोई
मेरे प्यारे पापा,

आज मैं आपको बताऊँ,
मेरा प्यार आपके लिए,
खत्म कभी न होए
आपके जैसा कोई ?
इतने भोले और सच्चे,
सभी से स्वभाव में अच्छे,
आप महान हो पापा
आपके जैसा न कोई !

संजना पिल्लय
६-स प्रथम पुरस्कार

काले बादल, प्यारे बादल

काले बादल, प्यारे बादल,
खुशियाँ लाते हैं
उमड़-धुमड़ कर आते हैं,
बारिश दे कर जाते हैं
गीला करते हो सबको,
और आते हर साल
किसानों को देते हो जीवनदायी जल,
और मेरे भाई-बहनों को डराकर चले जाते हो
बादल जब आते हैं,

बारिश का प्रवेश करवाते हैं
बारिश की झिलमिल आवाज,
देती है सबको गर्मी से छुट्टी का एहसास
धन्यवाद देती हूँ आपको
हम सबकी तरफ से
खेलना, कूदना सबकुछ होता है
इस मौसम में
काले बादल, प्यारे बादल
काले बादल, प्यारे बादल

राजविनी राउत, ५ स
तृतीय पुरस्कार

मेरे प्यारे पापा

मेरे प्यारे पापा
काम करते हर दिन
कैसे रहें उनके बिना
नाम है उनका धीरज
भाई हैं उनके नीरज
खेलते थे मेरे साथ
जब मैं उनके पास
नाम है मेरा हिमांक
मेरे पापा हैं बड़े श्रीमान
मेरे प्यारे पापा
मेरे प्यारे पापा
मेरे पापा हैं बड़े अच्छे
हैं दिल के सच्चे
करते हैं वो मुझे प्यार
मैं भी करूँ उनको प्यार

हिमांक सिंह, ६ ब
सात्वना पुरस्कार

Grade 7 & 8

मैं तेरी छाया हूँ, माँ !

तुझ जैसी दिखती हूँ, हाँ !
तुम्हारी तरह बातें करती हूँ, ना !
तू मेरी प्यारी माँ, अपूर्व माँ !
मैंने कुछ खाया, देर से क्यों आई
पूछती रहती हो माँ !
क्यों नहीं सारी दुनिया तेरी तरह
तू मेरी प्यारी माँ, अपूर्व माँ !
सहिष्णु हो तुम, सब सह जाती हो माँ
गुस्सा करती हो तो लगता है प्यार





A WAY WITH WORDS...

क्यों इतना करती हो मुझसे दुलार
तू मेरी प्यारी माँ, अपूर्व माँ !
तू मुझे पढ़ाती है, तू मुझे खिलाती माँ
एक दिन बीमार हो जाए तो पास भी नहीं आने देती ना!
मैं बीमार हो जाऊँ तो छाया बनकर घूमती रहती हो!
खुद बीमार हो जाओ तो ख्याल भी नहीं रखने देती हो।
मैं तेरी छाया हूँ, माँ!
बनना चाहती हूँ तेरी ही तरह
तू मेरी प्यारी माँ, अपूर्व माँ!
क्यों नहीं सारी दुनिया तेरी तरह।

अदिती कुमार
प्रथम पुरस्कार आठवीं 'ब'

मैं तेरी छाया हूँ माँ

सबसे प्यारी हूँ,
सबसे न्यायी हूँ,
सबसे अलग,
मैं तेरी छाया हूँ, माँ
थोड़ी नटखट हूँ,
थोड़ी अजीब,
ना मुझसा कोई और,
मैं तेरी छाया हूँ, माँ
सबसे मीठी
थोड़ी खट्टी,
सारे गुण मुझ में
मैं तेरी छाया हूँ, माँ
सबसे हूँ दुलारी,
हूँ मैं तेरी परी,
कोई न ले सकता यह स्थान,
मैं तेरी छाया हूँ, माँ
मैं बिलकुल तेरे जैसी,
सबकी हूँ मैं लाडली
आखिर हूँ मैं तेरी छाया,
मेरी माँ!

सत्कृत निगम
द्वितीय पुरस्कार (आठवीं 'ब')

मेरा देश भारत

सपनों से भी प्यारा मेरा देश,
खेत - खलिहानों से परिपूर्ण मेरा देश,
स्वच्छ जल से भरा मेरा देश!
अनेक लोगों का यह देश,
अनेक संस्कृतियों का यह देश,
अनेक भाषाओं का यह देश!
अनेक प्राणियों का यह देश,
अनेक नदियों का यह देश,
अनेक स्थलों का यह देश,
सपनों से भी प्यारा मेरा देश!
दुनिया में अव्वल मेरा देश,
सबसे अद्भुत मेरा देश,
सबसे आगे मेरा देश,
सपनों से भी प्यारा मेरा देश-भारत !

मेघना रामरत्नम
तृतीय पुरस्कार (आठवीं 'ब')

यदि मुझे पंख लग जाते

यदि मुझे पंख लग जाते,
तो आसमान में झूलता,
तारों को घुमाता,
चाँद के साथ खेलता।
यदि मुझे पंख लग जाते,
तो आसमान को छू लेता,
बादल पर बैठता,
चिड़ियों से बातें करता,
सूर्य को प्रणाम करता।

यदि मुझे पंख लग जाते,
तो बादलों पर बैठ कर,
पूरा जग देखता,
आसमान में उड़ कर,
पक्षियों से बातें करता,
नजारा कुछ और ही होता।
यदि मुझे पंख मिल जाते,
यदि मुझे पंख मिल जाते।

महिमा राजपूत
सातवना (7 'अ')





मेरे सपनों का विद्यालय

जहाँ वर्षा हो ज्ञान की,
जहाँ रोशनी हो मुस्कान की,
ऐसा होगा मेरे सपनों का विद्यालय,
जहाँ सब जीवन जिएं अभिमान का।
जहाँ परीक्षा का डर न हो,
बस विद्या पाने की इच्छा हो,
ऐसा होगा मेरे सपनों का विद्यालय,
जहाँ पर जिन्दगी के लिए हम शिक्षित हों।
जहाँ ज्ञान की खोज में सब आते,
जिज्ञासा से भरे मन लाते,
ऐसा है मेरे सपनों का विद्यालय,
जब मन भर विद्या पाकर वे लौट जाते।
जहाँ खेल कूद का महत्व पहचाना जाता हो,
जहाँ चित्रकार, खिलाड़ी को भी “अच्छा बच्चा” माना जाता हो,
ऐसा होगा मेरे सपनों का विद्यालय,
जहाँ अपनी योग्यता के लिए हर एक को पहचाना जाता हो।
जहाँ का हर छात्र बने एक अच्छा इन्सान,
जिसे आता हो करना दूसरों का सम्मान,
ऐसा होगा मेरे सपनों का विद्यालय,
जहाँ का हर बच्चा बनाएँ इस देश को महान।

इशिता प्रदीप
प्रथम पुरस्कार (10 'अ')

देश का सिपाही

देश को खतरा है, आगे तो बढ़ना है,
दुश्मनों से बचना है, अंतिम साँस तक लड़ना है।
कौन करेगा यह काम?
क्या होगा कोई आम?
यह कोई नहीं, पर है सिपाही,
जो हैं हम-तुम जैसे राही।
हँसते-मुस्कुराते चढ़ाई करते,
मरने पर श्रद्धांजलि हैं पाते।
देश की लाज रखते, देश की मर्यादा बचाते,
दुश्मनों पर आक्रमण कर मार गिराते, हम-सब पर दया दिखाते,
इन पर आई हर मुसीबत एक-एक कर टलती,
मारे जाते बिना किसी गलती।
यह कोई नहीं, पर है सिपाही,

जो हैं हम-तुम जैसे राही।
किसी से बैर न रखते,
हर दुश्मन को सावधानी से परखते।
आज हो, कल हो या हो परसों,
लड़ते रहते चाहे हो जाएँ बरसों,
होते हैं ये देश-भक्त,
हार न मानते चाहे हो जाए बहुत वक्त।

वैष्णवी गाडी
द्वितीय पुरस्कार (10 'ब')

देश का सिपाही

मैं मरता हूँ, मिटता हूँ, अपनी मातृभूमि के लिए,
कुछ बड़ा कर जाने की चाह रखता हूँ अपनी मातृभूमि के लिए,
मैं दुश्मनों से लड़ता हूँ लाखों परिवारों की सुरक्षा के लिए,
मैं गिरता हूँ, पड़ता हूँ, सुरक्षित देश के सपने के लिए।
मैं बिना डरे चल रहा हूँ, लाशों के सागर में,
मैं अपने प्राणों का बलिदान करने के लिए तैयार हूँ,
अपने देश की मिट्टी के लिए,
हैं उमंगें मुझ में बहुत,
उन मासूम बच्चों की खुशी के लिए।
आज हिम्मत है मुझ में बहुत,
एक उज्ज्वल भविष्य के सपने के लिए,
मैं कुछ भी कर जाऊँगा,
उस मानवता के लिए।
आज मिट गया है डर,
बात है मरने की या मारने की,
मैंने ठान लिया है,
जीत हासिल कर जाने की।
मैं लड़ रहा हूँ,
बिना अपने बारे में सोचे,
मैं ऐसा ही हूँ, आज है मुझमें वो आग,
मातृभूमि की रक्षा के लिए।

कविशा अग्रवाल
तृतीय पुरस्कार (10 'स')

देश का सिपाही

देश का सिपाही,
नहीं होता है आम आदमी,
उसकी सज्जनता और सहनशीलता,
बनाती है उसे खास।
जब हम रात को,
सोते हैं मुलायम गद्दों पर,



वे अपनी नींद त्याग,
सीमा पर करते हैं देश की सेवा।
जब हम आराम से,
खा रहे होते हैं खाना,
वे सीमा पर खड़े हो कर,
खाते हैं दुश्मनों की गोलियाँ।
बस कल ही निकला था अखबार में,
एक आदमी ने बचाई कुत्ते की जान,
लेकिन उस वीर का नामों-निशान न था'
जिसने बचाई देश की शान।
देश में देखो,
चारों तरफ चल रहा है जश्न,
जरा जा कर देखो देश की सीमा,
जहाँ न खाना है न जल-पान।
लोग दो दिन तक भी,
रह नहीं सकते बिना अपने परिवार के,
सलाम है उस सैनिक के परिवार को,
जो उससे बात नहीं करते महीनों तक।
मैं गर्व से कह सकती हूँ,
कि मैं हूँ सुरक्षित,
क्योंकि जब तुम सोते हो,
मेरा एक भाई सीमा पर खड़ा है।
सिपाही की देश-भक्ति तो देखो,
मिलता है वेतन, न मिलता है सम्मान,
फिर भी जुटा रहता है वह,
करने में अपना काम।
उसे पता भी नहीं, वह किसके लिए मर रहा है,

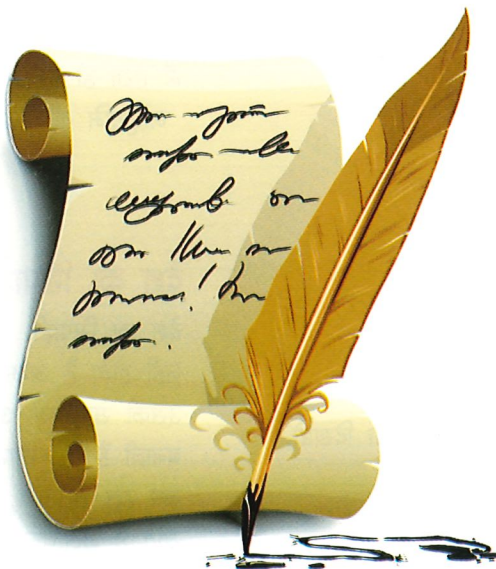
बस यह ज्ञात है कि वह अपने भाई-बहनों के लिए मर रहा है।
बस इसी देश-भक्ति,
सहनशीलता और त्यागी भाव के लिए,
देश के सिपाही,
तुम्हें मेरा सलाम !

इरा श्रीवास्तव
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मेरे सपनों का विद्यालय

मेरे सपनों का विद्यालय इन दीवारों में नहीं,
जहाँ हम देख कर सीखें-जानें, क्या गलत क्या सही,
पेड़ों के नीचे, पक्षियों के बीच में,
जहाँ हर बच्चा मजा ले कर पढ़े अपनी रुचि से।
मेरे सपनों के विद्यालय में, बच्चे दें सबको मान,
जगह की कोई कमी न हो, खेलने के लिए हों बड़े मैदान'
किसी को सीखने और ज्ञान-प्राप्ति से न हो दुःख,
बच्चों को समझने में मजा आए, और मिले सुख,
मेरे सपनों के विद्यालय में, हम सीखें बहुत विषय,
विज्ञान, गणित, इतिहास और हो हर विषय से परिचय,
ऐसी जगह जहाँ कोई अध्यापिका ना करे तंग,
बच्चे और उनमें अटूट रिश्ता बने और रहें हम हमेशा संग,
मेरे सपनों के विद्यालय में खूब किताबें हों ,
कहानियाँ, मजा, जानकारी दे हम सबको,
जहाँ हम घूमें और जाएँ अलग अलग संग्रहालय,
यह है मेरे सपनों का विद्यालय

पौलमी सराफ
सांत्वना (10 'अ')





Marathi Story Writing

मेहनती शेतकरी

एका गावात एक शेतकरी होता. तो खूप मेहनती होता. त्यामुळे तो सधन होता. त्याच्याकडे दहा पाच एकर जमीन होती. त्यात तो शेती करायचा. दूर-दूरचे लोक त्याच्याकडे धान्य खरेदी करण्यासाठी येत असत. तो शेतकरी आणि त्याची बायको आनंदाने राहत होते. शेतकरी खूप दयाळू होता. तो नेहमी गरिबांना मदत करत असे.

एके वर्षी पाऊस पडला नाही. शेतक-यांची शेती सुकून गेली. त्यामुळे त्याची परिस्थिती बिकट झाली. त्याला पैशाची चणचण भासू लागली. त्याच्या बायकोने त्याला सल्ला दिला की त्याच्या मित्राकडे जाऊन पैसे आणावे. प्रथम त्याने तसे करण्यास नकार दिला. परंतु आपली खालावलेली परिस्थिती बघून तो आपल्या मित्राकडे जाण्यास तयार झाला. जाताना त्याच्या बायकोने त्याला चार - पाच पोळ्या बांधून दिल्या. मित्राकडे जाता - जाता रस्त्यात एक भिकारी भेटला.

तो भिकारी भूकेने व्याकूळ झाला होता. शेतक-याला त्याची दया आली.

त्याने आपल्याजवळील भाकरी त्या गरीब भिका-याला दिली. त्या भिका-याने त्याला आशीर्वाद दिला. शेतकरी आपल्या मित्राकडे निघून गेला. पण त्याला काहीही मदत मिळाली नाही. रस्त्याला उदास घरी परत येत असताना त्याच्या पायाला काहीतरी लागले. त्याने दचकून खाली पाहिले तर त्याला काहीतरी चमकल्यासारखे दिसले.

त्याने उचलून बघितले तर त्या पिशवीत सुवर्णमुद्रा होत्या. शेतक-याला भिका-याच्या आशीर्वादाची आठवण झाली. व त्याने मनोमन त्याचे आभार मानले. देवाने त्याची परिक्षाच पाहिली होती.

कृष्णा पै दहावी (क)

प्रथम पारितोषिक

धाडसी रोहन

एका गावात एक मुलगा राहत होता. त्याचे नाव रोहन होते. रोहनचे आईबाबा गरीब होते. व ते दुस-या गावात राहायचे. रोहन ह्या गावात काम शोधायला आला होता. खूप दिवस त्याला राहायला जागा मिळाली नाही. तो झाडाखाली झोपायचा. रस्त्यावर कामाच्या शोधात असताना त्याला एक माणूस भेटला. त्याने त्याच्याकडे त्याची चौकशी केली.

त्याला कळून चुकले की रोहन गावात नवीन आहे आणि तो कामाच्या शोधात आहे. तो अनोळखी माणूस त्याला एका घरात घेऊन गेला. घरात काळोख होता. घरात एक मेणबत्ती लावली होती. त्या माणसाने रोहनला बसायला सांगितले. तो माणूस रोहनला म्हणाला, “मी तुला काम देईन. त्या कामाचे पैसे तुला मिळतील. पण जे मी काम सांगीन ते तुला करावे लागेल.” कामाच्या चिंतेने थकलेल्या रोहनने हो म्हटले.

त्या माणसाने रोहनला सांगितले की त्याचे नाव शेख होते.

शेख रोहनला घराच्या आतल्या भागात घेऊन गेला. आतले दृश्य पाहून रोहन आश्चर्यचकित झाला. त्यांनी पाहिले की आत अनेक माणसे दारू पीत आणि पत्ते खेळत बसली होती. रोहन एका सभ्य कुटुंबातून आला होता. त्याने सगळे कधीच हे पाहिले नव्हते. त्याला ह्या सगळ्याची भीती वाटली. याने शेखला विचारले की, हे सगळे काय आहे? शेख म्हणाला, “हे सगळे गुंडे आहेत. आणि तू पण आमच्यातलाच आहेस. आज रात्री आपल्या सगळ्यांना एक धनी माणसाच्या घरी चोरी करायला जायचे आहे. आणि तुला पण आमच्या बरोबर यायचे आहे.”

रोहनने शेखला विचारले की तो कुठे राहणार? शेखने उत्तर दिले, ‘हेच आहे तुझे घर.’ रोहनला त्या घरात राहायचे नव्हते. त्याने त्याला सांगितले की तो रात्री परत येईल पण तो आता बाहेर जात आहे. शेखने त्याला म्हटले की ह्या बदल कोणालाही कळता कामा नये. रोहन हो म्हणून निघून गेला.

रात्र झाली. रोहनची जायची वेळ झालेली. त्याला खूप भीती वाटत होती. त्याने असे वाईट काम कधीच केले नव्हते. आणि त्याला कधी करायचेही नव्हते. पण त्याने शेखला वचन दिले होते. त्याला जावे तर लागलेच असते. तिथे पोचल्यावर शेख ने त्याला गाडीत बसायला सांगितले. रोहनने त्याचे ऐकले. धनी माणसाच्या घराजवळ पोचल्यावर सगळी माणसे बंदुकी घेऊन खाली उतरली. सर्वांनी घराच्या दारावर हल्ला केला. दार तुटले. एका माणसाने धनी व्यक्तीला पकडून बाहेर आणले. आणि त्याला एका झाडाला बांधून ठेवले. व सर्वजण त्याच्या घरात चोरी करण्यास निघून गेले. या सर्व गोंधळात रोहन तेथून निसटला. व त्याने पळत पळत जाऊन पोलीस स्टेशन गाठले.

पोलिसांनी त्याचे कौतुक केले. आणि रोहनने त्यांना वचन दिले की तो असे काम कधीही करणार नाही. रोहनला धडा मिळाला. आणि मोठा होऊन एक धनी व्यापारी बनला.

नीरजा बर्वे दहावी (ब)

द्वितीय पारितोषिक

विनूची फजिती

विनू नावाचा एक मुलगा होता. तो मजेत राहायचा. त्याला मजा करायला खेळायला फार आवडायचे. पण तो कधीच आपल्या वस्तूची काळजी घेत नसे. आई त्याला नेहमी सांगायची, “विनू आपल्या वस्तू सांभाळून ठेव.” पण नाही, तो नेहमी काहीना काही हरवून यायचा.

एके दिवशी विनूच्या शाळेत पिकनिक जाणार होती. विनूच्या हज्यामुळे आई-बाबांनी त्याला पाठवण्याचे ठरवले. पिकनिक तीन दिवसावर आली. विनूने काहीही तयारी केली नव्हती. पिकनिकच्या अगोदरच्या रात्री आई विनूच्या खोलीत गेली आणि विचारले. “विनू, उद्याची तयारी झाली का?” विनूने मान हलवली. विनूने विचार केला, “कसली तयारी करायची? सकाळी उठल्यावर कपडे घालून पाण्याची बाटली व डबा घेऊन निघायचे.”





A WAY WITH WORDS...

विचार करता-करता विनूला झोप लागली. सकाळी त्याने डोळे उघडले तर आठ वाजून गेले होते. शाळेत साडेआठ वाजता बोलावले होते. आता काय करायचे? विनू पळतच तयारी करू लागला. कपडे शोधायला गेला तर त्याला टायच मिळेल. पाण्याची बाटली भरायला गेला तर बाटली सापडतच नव्हती. आईला विचारून फायदा नव्हता कारण ती ओरडली असती. शेवटी त्याला वाटले की तो पिकनिकला जायला चुकणार. त्याला रडू आले. आई त्याची मजा बघत होती. शेवटी तिने त्याला तयारी करण्यास मदत केली.

विनूला आपली चूक कळून आली. त्याने ठरवले की आजपासून मी माझी कामे वेळच्या वेळेवर करेन व माझ्या वस्तू सांभाळून ठेवेन. अशी झाली विनूची फजिती.

स्वरधुनी पवार. आठवी (क) प्रथम पारितोषिक

मूर्ख म्हातारी

रामपूर नावाचे एक घनदाट जंगल होते. गावात एक नदी होती नदीच्या काठावर एक घनदाट जंगल होते. जंगलात एक म्हातारी राहत होती. ती म्हातारी मूर्ख होती. म्हणून तिचा मुलगा तिला सोडून शहरात गेला होता. म्हातारीला नेहमी वाटे की तिच्याकडे अद्भुत शक्ती आहे.

एके दिवशी कविता आपल्या आजीला भेटण्यासाठी रामपूर गावी जात होती. त्यासाठी तिला ते घनदाट जंगल पार करावे लागणार होते. ती सकाळी लवकर उठून निघाली. बघता बघता रात्र झाली. कविता खूप थकलेली होती, तिला खूप भूक लागली होती. कविता म्हातारीच्या घरी पोहोचली त्या म्हातारीने कविताला जेवण दिले. जेव्हा कविता तेथून आपल्या आजीकडे जाण्यास निघाली तेव्हा ती म्हातारी कविताला म्हणाली, की माझ्याकडे एक अद्भुत शक्ती आहे. आता तू तुझ्या आजीकडे जाऊ शकत नाहीस आणि जर का तू जाण्याचा प्रयत्न केलास तर मी तुला बेडकाचे रूप देऊन मगरी असलेल्या नदीत सोडून देईन.

दररोज म्हातारी कविताला खूप काम देत असे व कमी खायला देत असे त्यामुळे कविताची तब्येत नाजूक होत चालली होती. म्हातारी आपल्या मुलाची वाट पाहत होती कारण तिच्या या स्वभावामुळे तो तिला सोडून शहरात गेला होता. चार वर्षांपासून म्हातारी घरातून बाहेर कुठे गेलेली नव्हती. परंतु ती रोज कविताकडे आपल्या मुलाची चौकशी करत होती.

एके दिवशी कविताने आपल्या हुशारीने म्हातारीला तिचा मुलगा परत आल्याचे आमिष दाखवून फसवले व तिने म्हातारीच्या हातातून आपली सुटका करून घेतली. कविता आपल्या आजीच्या घरी गेल्यावर तिने घडलेली सर्व हकीकत आपल्या आजीला सांगितली हे ऐकून आजीने तिला शाबासकी दिली.

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रोहन नावाचा एक मुलगा होता. तो खूप खट्याळ होता. शाळेत त्याचे काही मित्र होते. त्याला खोटे बोलण्याची वाईट सवय होती. तो छोट्या छोट्या गोष्टीसाठी खोटं बोलायचा तो त्याच्या आईवडिलांशी देखील खोटं बोलायचा त्याचा एक मित्र होता त्याचे नाव विनू होते. ते दोघे सतत दुस-याच्या खोड्या काढत असत.

एके दिवशी त्यांनी एका मुलाचे पुस्तक पळवले. दुस-या दिवशी त्या मुलाला त्याचे पुस्तक आपल्या बाकावर मिळाले. त्या मुलाने शिक्षकाकडे तक्रार केली. शिक्षकांनी त्या दोघांना विचारले असता विनूने निमूटपणे आपली चूक मान्य केली. पण रोहन आपली चूक मान्य करण्यास तयार नव्हता.

शेवटी शिक्षकाने रोहनला सांगितले की तू खोटं बोलत आहेस, मी तुला बघितले होते की तुम्ही दोघांनी मिळून पुस्तक घेतले होते. शिक्षकांनी रोहनच्या आईला घडलेली सर्व गोष्ट सांगितली त्याची आई त्याला खूप ओरडली.

पण त्या दिवसापासून विनूने रोहनशी बोलणे सोडून दिले. आणि नवीन मित्र बनवले. मग रोहनला खूप वाईट वाटले त्या दिवसापासून त्याने ठरवले की कधीही खोटे बोलायचे नाही.

या कथेतून आपल्याला कळते की कधीही खोटे बोलू नये.

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नेहमी खरे बोलावे.

रिया नावाची एक मुलगी होती. तिला खोटं बोलण्याची खूप सवय होती. तिच्या वाढदिवसाला तिच्या आईबाबांनी तिला एक बाहुली दिली होती. तिला ती बाहुली खूप आवडायची. दुस-या दिवशी तिने तिच्या काही मैत्रीणींना घरी बोलावले. तिच्या मैत्रीणीची नावे होती पायल, भारती आणि जानकी.

तिच्या मैत्रीणी बाहुली बघत होत्या. मुद्दामहून रियाने बाहुलीवर चहा सांडला व ती मोठमोठ्याने रडू लागली व म्हणाली पायल तुझ्यामुळे माझी बाहुली खराब झाली तूच माझ्या बाहुलीवर चहा सांडला. ती पुन्हा पुन्हा रडण्याचे नाटक करत होती. शेवटी रियाच्या आईवडिलांनी पायलच्या आईवडिलांना घडलेली गोष्ट सांगण्याचे ठरवले. अशावेळी पायल खूप रडत होती. तिची चूक नसताना देखील तिला आता आईवडिलांकडून ओरडा मिळणार होता.

परंतु पायलची बहीण खूप हुशार होती. तिने रियाला विचारले की चहाचा कप कोणाच्या हातात होता. तेव्हा रिया गप्प झाली. मग सगळ्यांना समजले की बाहुलीवर चहा रियाने सांडला आहे.

या गोष्टीवरून आपल्याला समजते की, कधीही खोटे बोलू नये. नेहमी खरे बोलावे.

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LET YOUR IMAGINATION SOAR

A Whole New World

When my heart is heavy and sad;
Or, when it is happy and glad;
I hum a delightful little song;
Or, write a poem, not too long.



It helps me to express and feel;
Not for others, but just for me, it's a big deal;
In my sea of thoughts, I dive;
It helps me to come alive.

I imagine, I think, I feel, I write,
A small little humble prayer;
Oh God! Give me the spirit to make things right;
To be strong and not have my mind waver.

To understand the right from wrong;
And to carry along;
The strength to create a world of joy;
For every girl and boy.

Let's make this world free from sorrow;
With a happy and bright tomorrow

Apurva Singh, Grade 5

(This poem was one of the three shortlisted for 100 Thousand Poets for Change and was recited by Apurva at the poetry event on 25th Sept, 2016)

IT TAKES COURAGE

It takes courage to refrain from gossip
When others delight in it
To stand up for the absent person
Who is being abused
To live honestly, within your means
And not by taking advantage of another

It takes courage to refuse to do something
That is morally not right
Although everyone else may be doing it
And their conscience is silent as the night

It takes courage to live accordingly
To your own convictions

To deny yourself what you cannot afford
To love your neighbor as yourself!

Aanya Sharma, Grade 8B

SEASONS

December, January and February,
bring those cold and long nights
One wants to preserve and protect,
the precious warmth and light

And in the gloomy mornings,
when we awake to see
A blanket of sheer white snow and snowflakes
falling silently on the trees

Spring is a season of rebirth and growth
With colourful flowers and jolly blue skies
When nature creates a marvellous scenery
With sweet-smelling fields and piercing bird cries

Then comes summer with its scorching heat
Which thaws the snow and the cold retreats
School ends and it's the start of a long holiday
Children shout in joy, 'Hooray! Hooray!'

It's autumn now and all trees both new and old
Shed their leaves, leaving bare their stronghold
The once bright blue skies, now turn a dull grey
All the heat, from the summer flees and the
cold is here to stay

All these seasons return once every year
Making Mother Nature happy and full of cheer
Each season has its own unique feature
Like all things living, its own sense of grandeur.

Kavya Rola, Grade 7B

AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF A SYRIAN REFUGEE

1:30a.m, somewhere in a suburb of Aleppo: in the dead silence of the night. All of us were jolted awake by a loud sound, followed by a wail; and then a deafening silence. No



one would tell me, but it didn't matter. I already knew. Someone in our neighbourhood was shot. Aunt Amina came to our house, looking dazed and lost. Feroz was crying bitterly. I did not see any sign of Imtiaz Uncle. I was aghast. But why Uncle Imtiaz?! I had many questions but no answers.

As soon as aunty came home, Abbu and Ammi packed all that we could in backpacks. We had tea and *pide*. I was but a 10-year-old lad. Eventually, I understood. We were fleeing our country - with Aunt Amina and Feroz. By 3:00 a.m. we had packed our bags and were ready to leave.

With tears in our eyes and heavy hearts we left our home. We were nine of us including Aunt Amina with Feroz. After what seemed like ages, we finally reached the coast. This was the same place where our sufferings were given a global face on September 2nd, 2015 when the body of three-year-old Aylan Kurdi washed up on the shore of a Turkish beach. After what seemed like eternity, a dingy glided on the coast silently. All of us scrambled on board; originally meant for 20 people, today it carried almost 40.

As I sat on the dinghy and saw my homeland disappear behind the skyline, a wave of emotions engulfed me. We were about to leave our family home forever and ever. This was the place where I learnt to crawl, to walk, to talk. I had so many memories. I was wondering whether my forefathers would be turning in their graves, seeing us leave this ancestral home. At the end of a rough and tough week, I could see a coastline emerging – I was to know later that this land was Turkey, our new destination. As we reached near, I prayed to Almighty to take care of my near and dear ones in this unknown land.

For three days in a row, we stood in lines to seek asylum papers. On the 3rd day, we finally got the required papers. Turkey is a land of diversities; but not many people accepted us. In fact, most of the people who tried to help us were foreigners – either tourists or some one from the UNHCR (United Nations' High Commissioner for Refugees). We were given some food – a privilege not many of our countrymen are entitled to. On day 4, Abbu started working at a restaurant as a waiter. We did not have a lot of money, but all of us were determined that we would not beg: whatever money we had till date was earned and whatever money we will get will be earned. A few months passed, Mother and Aunt Amina took up jobs as house cleaners. We were 6 children. We got news that there was a school in the neighbourhood for the refugees' children. It was run at minimal cost. So, the six of us could afford to go there. Going to school makes me

feel lucky and sad at the same time... I realize not everyone is as privileged as us to go to school. At the same time, it makes me feel sad to see our own state.

Presently, my father wants me to continue in school. He wants me to be well educated so that when I grow up, I can make a positive difference in the life of my other less fortunate country men and women. Every now and then, we read about the world opening up its boundaries and hearts to welcome refugees like us. It shows us that the world may be a dark place, but there exists a ray of light and hope. Maybe not everyone, but certainly some understand us; someone stands up for us. I thank my life's learning and look forward to being that ray of hope for someone's life.

Ira Srivastava Grade 9 B

SPACE WARS: The poem trilogy

Once there was a galaxy,
A dark and light philosophy.
Yoda the leader of light, came with a call,
Saying, "May the Force be with you all."

He trained the great Anakin,
And transformed him into a better Jedi then he could reckon.
But the greed of Anakin overcame his light,
And he became Darth Vader and joined the fight.

But both his children knew what was right,
And went against their father in the fight.
And with the help of Chewbacca,
Han Solo and R2D2,
They raced to victory and defeated Darth Vader too.

But amongst that there still lived a danger,
The grandson of Darth Cideous, the dark side creator.
Kylo Ren was his name,
Unfinished and the fiercest villain came.

But every cloud has a silver lining,
Along came Ray with her newly found drone BB-8.
She found the force within her with the help of Maz,
And defeated Ren flying on top of the stars.

After this, ended the evil
Came the good defeating the devil
But above everything came the Devils fall,
All Yoda said was "May the Force be with all."

Shlok Mulye, Grade 9B



Life via Applications

Beep, Beep! My day begins with the ring of the alarm on my phone. As I roll to my side to switch it off, my phone beeps with an update from twitter. What's this? Adele won five Grammys?! As I post a tweet, my mother wishes me good morning. How, you ask? By WhatsApp, of course! Then I check the day's weather on the weather channel app as I go to brush my teeth and get ready for a new day.

I almost forgot! I take a quick glimpse at my day's plans via Evernote as I head to the shower! I direct the lost Uber driver as I munch on a piece of hot buttered toast. As I sit in the Uber, heading to work, I fling some grumpy-looking birds onto a gang of smugly-grinning pigs. Uh-oh, the birds drained off my battery!

At my workplace as my device is getting charged, I work diligently. During my mid-day meeting, I sneak a peek at my Facebook page for any interesting tales from around the world. After that, I work on a contract for my dear boss, using Wikipedia for a little reference. During lunch, I spare a minute to upload new pictures of my team and me on my Instagram page.

Soon, after a rigorous day of work, I head back home (by Uber, of course!) and order a tiny little snack for myself (Hello, Swiggy!). Check things off my Evernote checklist. Give myself a break and unwind to some music. Ariana Grande to Mozart to Zedd, all covered on the playlist, blasting-off of Saavn. Then I rush off for an evening jog, Fitbit keeping tabs on me. I retire to my couch and watch a movie streaming live on Hotstar or read a book on Kindle. Before I hit the sack, I take a last look at all my accounts, WhatsApp being the last of them, wishing the world goodnight.

Such is our life these days! We are so wrapped up in the phone that we forget the human contact is equally essential for our well-being. So the message I am trying to convey through this article is that, while we must adapt to technology and use it, we also need to understand where to draw a line – we must disconnect to connect.

Lakshmi Krishnan, Grade 7

MONSOONS

Like any other season,
Monsoons come once;
When nature is in full bloom,
And Green is in abundance.

Driving down the rain washed roads
My heart is so inspired;
When I see the blue misty mountains
It doesn't matter that I might have a flat tyre.

The rain soaked trees,
The rain suffused concrete;
During monsoon, Mother Earth seems to
Bathe in blissful retreat!

The soothing breeze,
A refreshing change from the heat;
A walk by the beach
Is always a treat.

And while the adults indulge
In some wine and cheese,
The children politely ask,
'May we have some snacks, please?'

Like any other season,
Monsoon comes once,
And we don't need a reason
To have some fun and dance!

Indrani Ray, Grade 7

School Recess

The clock ticking
The pens tapping
Our hearts restlessly beating
Our feet stomping

Oh! And something just breaks.....'The Silence'
The school bell rings, loud and clear
Hurrah! The recess is here.
The listless students have a spring to their
feet all of a sudden

Sports, Clubs and Activities
At every single turn
So much to do
Eat, Play and Learn
Some prefer staying indoors, drifting away
with their lessons

While some rush to the cafeteria
Craving for a feast



A Candy bar
 A choco-chip cake
 A Jelly bean jar
 A strawberry shake
 Each grabbing his share
 Amidst the pushing and jostling
 And then run to the playground
 With their faces beaming
 Excited squeals resound in the corridor
 With students chattering as they nibble onto their meal
 The little children of the primary classes
 All charge out of their classrooms

A tiny elephant stampede
 For the golden ring
 Of the swing
 Just as the soccer match in the playground
 Reaches its most interesting point...
 Tring! Tring!...The bell goes
 Oh! The fun and the frolic comes to a shuddering halt
 The students let out a cry

Shrieking with glee
 One of them being me.
 Hilarious is the sight that follows

Of the "squeaky clean" students trying
 hard to drag their feet to their "distant classrooms"
 The innocent playground is left in a state of
 Deathly and Awful Silence.

Sadhana Kannan, Grade 7

EDUCATIONAL TRIP TO NEHRU CENTRE

The day began with cool air blowing inside my room. As I felt the breeze, I heard my alarm clock ring. I quickly jumped out of my bed, remembering that it was the day we would be going on a school trip. I packed all the things required for the trip, which was not a lot, and geared up for the adventure to come.

Our school was taking us to Nehru Centre, which isn't so adventurous, but little did we know what the teachers had in store for us. As we all boarded the bus, we thought that

it was going to be a very boring educational trip, as all of us had already been to this renowned centre. We enjoyed our time in the bus and never wanted the ride to end, even though it was a bit uncomfortable, and as we approached the Discovery of India Centre, we continued to have fun, never realising that we had reached. When we got off the bus, we were given a sheet of paper which was the much dreaded second-term project, as it said on top of the sheet. That was the time we faced reality, that an educational trip doesn't mean all fun and games, it means getting educated too! After all, going for an educational trip and not learning anything is just not an option! Our hearts beat faster each time we glanced at the paper. All that was on our minds was to finish the paper, come what may!

We got into the Discovery of India Centre, which was all about the history of our glorious country and getting to know about it more, and we were shocked to see detailed information on everything, and that everything was preserved so nicely, from tiny ornaments to giant bones. Our main aim was to go there and find the answers to the questions on the project sheet. Everybody teamed up and started looking for answers. It was like an educational treasure hunt. Instead of objects we had to look for answers, and instead of prizes, we would earn marks. We were given around half an hour to finish the paper by looking everywhere for the answers, but we all knew that if we were to do it individually, we would never have finished within thirty minutes, but with a little team work and cooperation, we managed to finish it on time. The last five minutes were frantic! Chaos and crowds were everywhere I went, but by the end, everybody was done with it.

Our next stop was Nehru Science Centre. We got a fifteen minute break in the bus before we left for our next destination. We followed the same procedure of getting the paper, but this time, the paper was related to science. We increased our knowledge on pulses, sound and light. In my opinion, the Science Centre was more interesting than the Discovery of India Centre, because in science there are many things to experiment and learn. The science paper was much easier and we all finished it well within time, so we got loads of time to explore the centre a bit more. We lost track of time because we were busy trying out new and different things. It was a wonderful day!

-Indrani Ray, Grade 7





LET YOUR IMAGINATION SOAR

THE LAST LOTTERY TICKET

"I feel like throwing all this garbage out. As if Babloo's toys were not enough to create a mess...." Savita grumbled as she lifted the old aluminium box. After a hard day's work, clearing her father-in-law's room was quite a task. Every day chores would drain out all of her energy.

Savita lived in a small flat in Mumbai with her husband, her five year old son and her father-in-law. Her father-in-law had recently moved in with them after his wife's demise. Everyone was still making the efforts to adjust with each other.

Hira Lal had a habit of collecting lottery tickets right from the time he could afford it. Every week he bought lottery ticket from his savings. He was hopeful that one day he would win a huge amount and that would change his life forever. His habit became his passion ever since one lucky lottery helped him pay off a huge debt.

Hira Lal was a small-time farmer who had raised his five children with great difficulty. He lived in a small village in Maharashtra. His wife Rupmati Devi was his pillar of strength. She supported her husband through thick and thin and never complained of his habit of buying lottery tickets in spite of living in abject poverty. Rupmati sold her wedding jewellery to support her children's studies. She and Hira Lal had dreamt of a better future for their children and were ready to do whatever it took.

While the two daughters were married off to decent young men, the three sons started a small business in the village itself with Hira Lal's savings. The eldest son moved to Mumbai on getting better prospects there and earned just enough to feed his family of three. After Rupmati Devi passed away, Hira Lal decided to move to Mumbai with his eldest son.

It had been only 6 months since he arrived in Mumbai. Every second Monday of the month, he would go to the station to buy a lottery ticket with his grandson. The results of this was always announced on the last Friday of the month. Hira Lal never disposed off his lottery tickets and they were neatly kept in a small aluminium box. Babloo was highly amused to see his grandfather's lottery ticket collection but often helped his grandfather arrange them. Savita, however, was highly wary of her father-in-law's habit. She had never witnessed him winning anything from the treasure he considered his prized possession.

A year passed and Hira Lal had become quite acquainted with the surroundings of the area they lived in. Being friendly in nature, he was good company to his neighbours.

One day when Hira Lal was crossing the road with Babloo after buying the lottery ticket, the child suddenly broke free and ran after a flying kite. Hira Lal shouted to stop his grandson but his voice was lost in the din. Babloo was hit by a speeding bike (though the biker had tried his best to avoid hitting the child). A crowd immediately gathered. The child was hit on the head and was bleeding profusely. Hira Lal was shell-shocked to see his grandson bleeding. He requested the bystanders to help him take the child to a nearby doctor. Luckily a neighbour informed Savita of the accident and she rushed to the hospital immediately.

Babloo was brought home after a brief treatment. Savita did not spare a second in throwing away all the tickets in the bin and waited for her husband to arrive. Sohan Lal arrived soon after getting the news. He asked his father, "What happened?"

Before a shocked Hira Lal could reply, Savita let loose a barrage of scathing comments... "How can you ask what happened? Your son almost died and for what... a silly lottery ticket??? Nothing is more important than a lottery ticket in this house!" Then she turned to her trembling father-in-law, "You are hardly fit to look after yourself, why did you have to take Babloo with you too?... "I have been telling you incessantly but my words always fall on deaf ears. And this is the last time I am saying this...., if anything happens to Babloo, I will never forgive this man....."

"Baba, what had happened? Will someone tell me what exactly happened this morning?" Sohan Lal was frustrated on not getting the answer.

Hira Lal cocooned himself after the incident. He stopped talking to everybody and kept mostly to himself. The neighbours began to notice the remarkable drop in his visits to the garden. A few of them even stopped by to enquire about his health but Savita dismissed them from the door itself. Babloo was kept away from his grandfather as much as possible. Sohan Lal was too busy in his work to notice his father's deteriorating health.



One night, Hira Lal requested his son to arrange for the return tickets and that he wanted to stay with his younger son for some time.

Sohan Lal just nodded in affirmation and continued to have his dinner. He did not even feel the need to stop his father or ask the reason for it. He was very disturbed as he was incurring heavy losses in his business. Savita overheard the conversation and started making sure that the ticket was arranged on time by offering her little savings to her husband.

Little Babloo was the only one who was sad to see his grandfather go. One afternoon when his mother was fast asleep, he quietly slipped into his grandfather's room and slept near him cuddling him tight with his little hands. Hira Lal woke up and was happy to see his grandson. "Dadu, it was not your fault," the little boy said before falling asleep in his Dadu's arms. Hira Lal felt free of all the guilt and his eyes were filled with tears of joy.

He boarded the train thoughtfully and bade goodbye to his son and grandson who had come to see him off. He sighed deeply when he realized how much he was going to miss Babloo; that innocent child who loved him without prejudice.

Months passed by as Hira Lal went back to his life in the village. One day, he noticed someone familiar coming towards the house. He rubbed his eyes in disbelief to see Babloo running towards him and shouting out loudly, "Daaaaduuu". He immediately took Babloo in his arms and went ahead to receive Sohan Lal and Savita. They touched his feet and sought his blessings.

Hira Lal sat on a chair while his younger son and wife stood by his side. Sohan Lal and Savita sat near his feet and Babloo enjoyed sitting onto his lap. Sohan Lal hesitantly took out something from his pocket and gave it to him. "What is it Sohan?" Hira Lal asked, looking at the rectangular leaflet. It was a cheque for 10 lakh rupees.

"What is it? Why are you giving it to me?" He questioned again.

"Baba, its yours." Sohan Lal said softly.

"Babuji, nearly a month after you left, a man knocked at the door confirming our address." Savita took over. "He started asking details about you as he needed me to verify that the number on his ledger was the same as the one on the lottery

ticket" Savita then paused as if she could not bring herself to talk more..

"Baba, Savita had thrown away all your lottery tickets, hence she could not produce the lottery ticket the man was looking for. The man was about to go away when Babloo came running with the ticket in his hand. It had the same number the man was asking for. He then took out a cheque and handed it over to Savita." Sohan Lal continued.

"On asking Babloo about the ticket, he said that you had given him this ticket the day you were leaving. It is the same ticket Baba that you had bought on the day of the accident." Sohan Lal sounded apologetic.

Hira Lal listened to all of it patiently, he caressed Babloo's hair in affection.

He looked at his son, "How is your business going on, Sohan?"

There was a lull before he repeated, "Yes Sohan, I know what you were going through. How are you holding up?"

Sohan Lal replied, "Not much has changed, Baba."

He then got up on hearing that and said, "I was very upset with you after that whole incident, Sohan. I know that you were going through a rough time but you did not even care to hear my side of the story. I know that what happened was unfortunate but do you realize that it could have happened even if it was you or Savita? Sometimes, things are not in our control... When a child is small, he is his parents' responsibility, but when the parents are old; they are their children's responsibility. One ought to take care of them and not break their hearts. I left your place with a broken heart and cursed myself for not giving you the right values."

"But today, I am a proud father." He said looking up as if speaking on his wife's behalf too.

"In spite of being in absolute need of money at the moment, you brought this cheque to me. In spite of the cheque bearing your name, you came all the way from Mumbai to inform me of the prize money. Who would have known if you had used it without informing anyone? I am proud of you my son, I am proud of you." And he hugged his son tightly, something he had not done in a long while.

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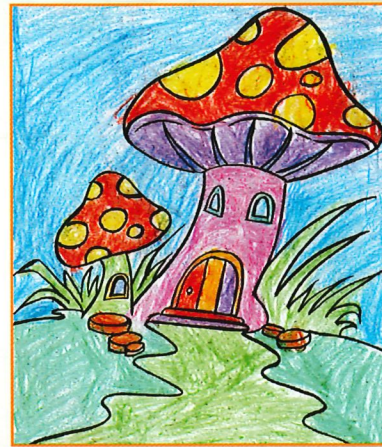
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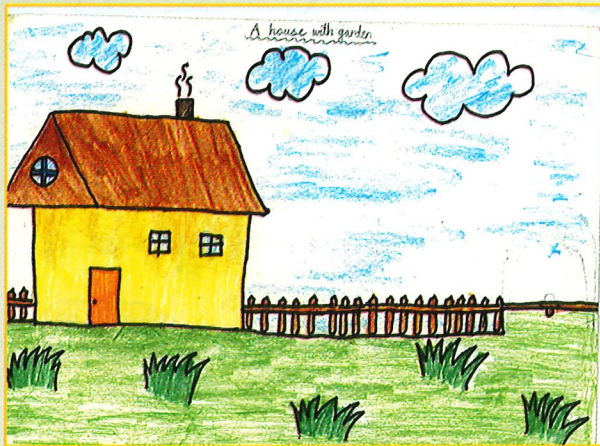


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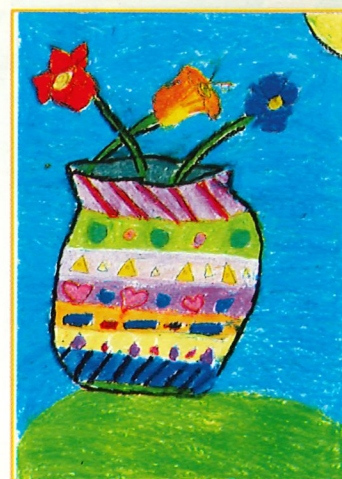
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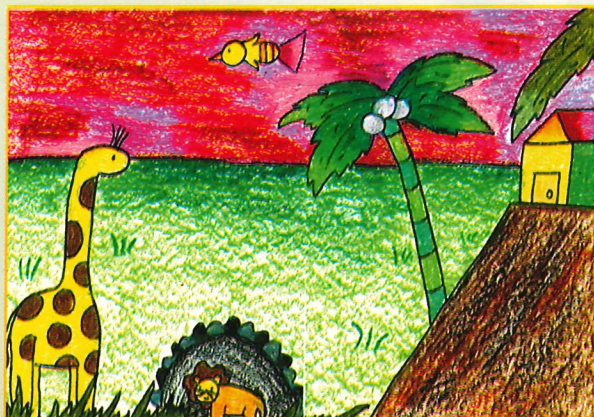
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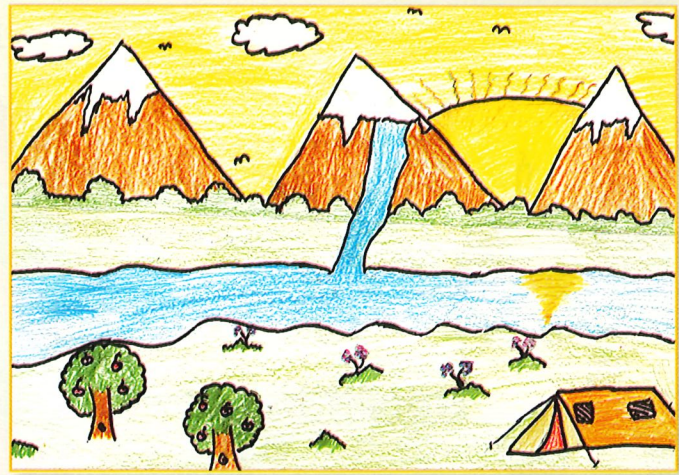


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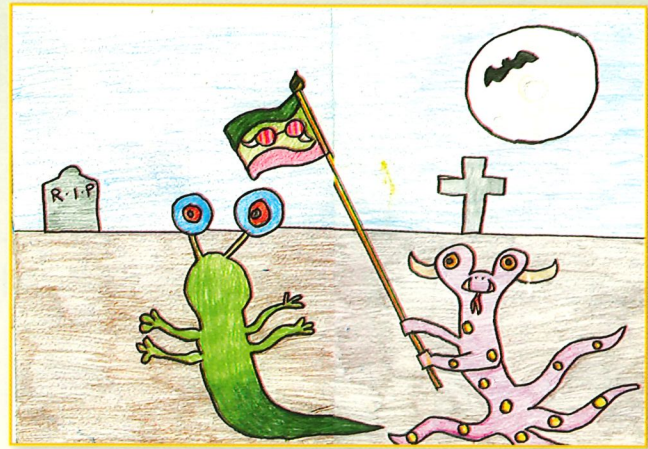
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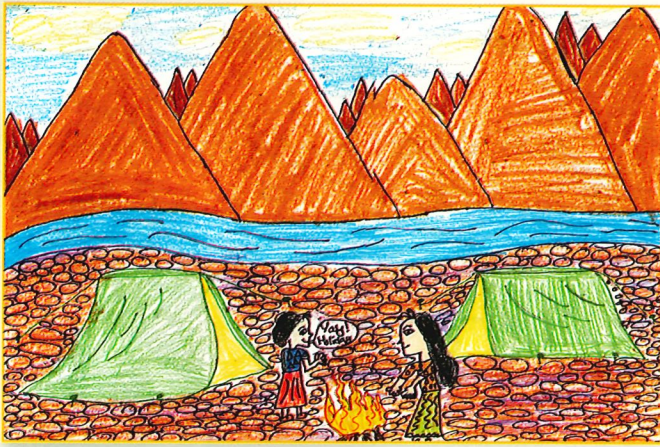
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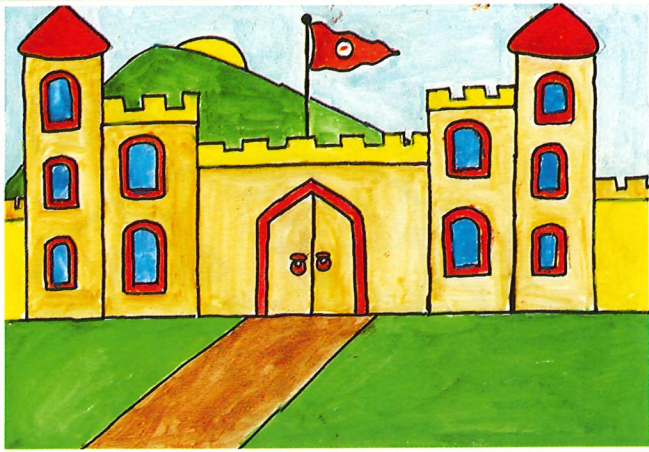


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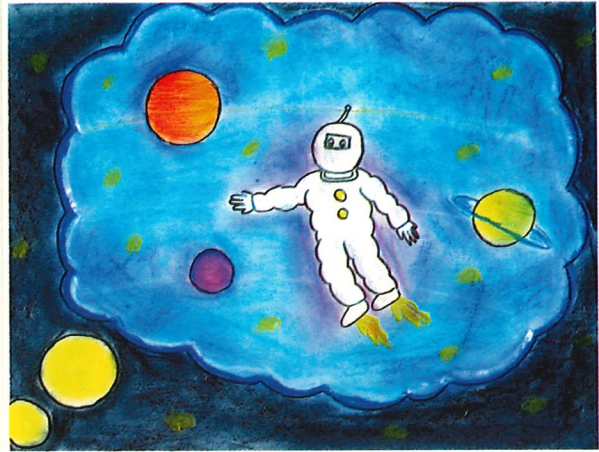


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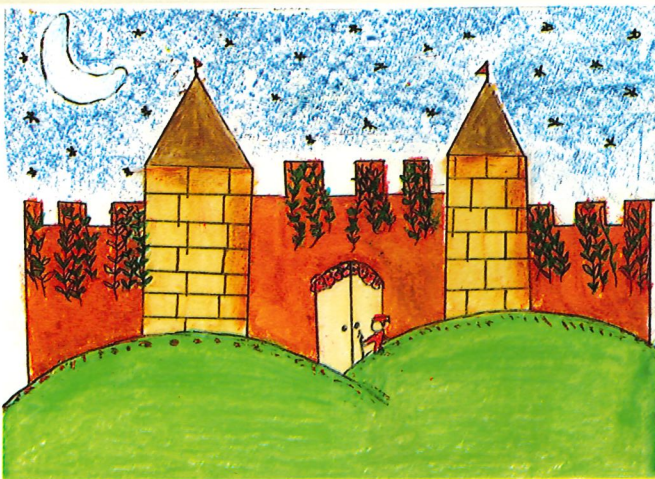
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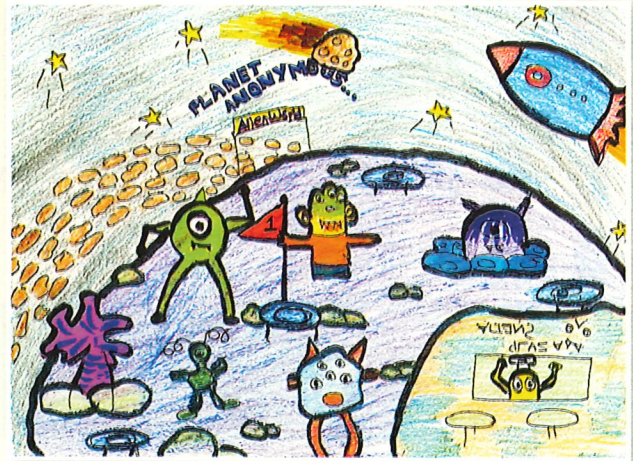
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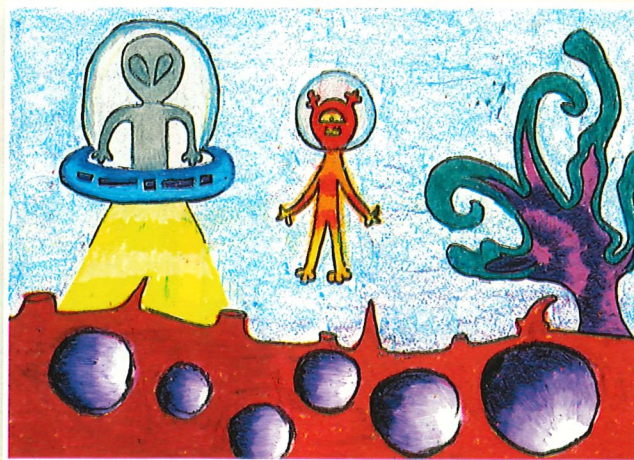
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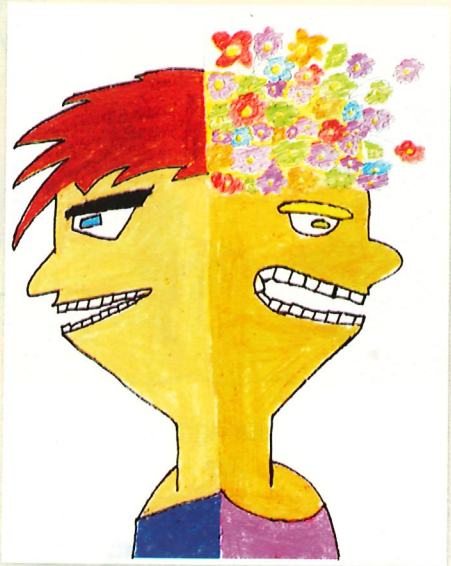
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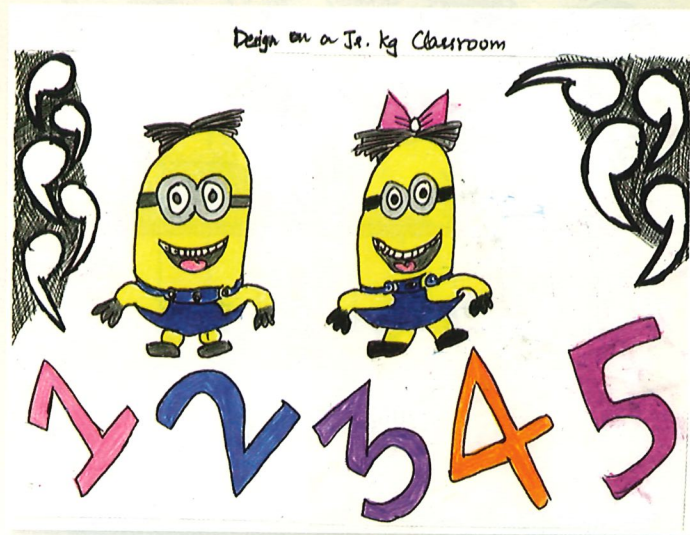
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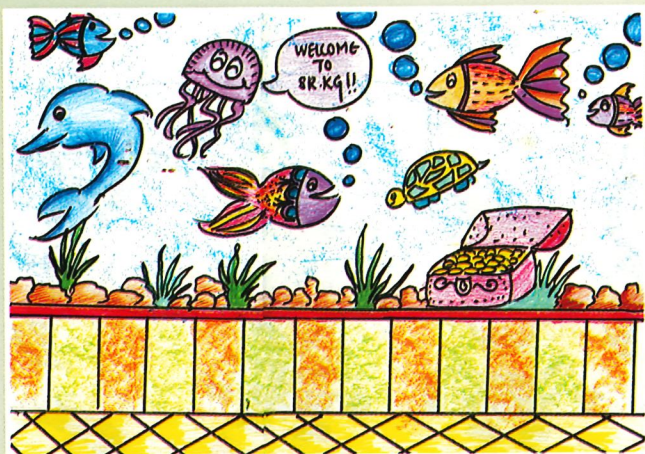
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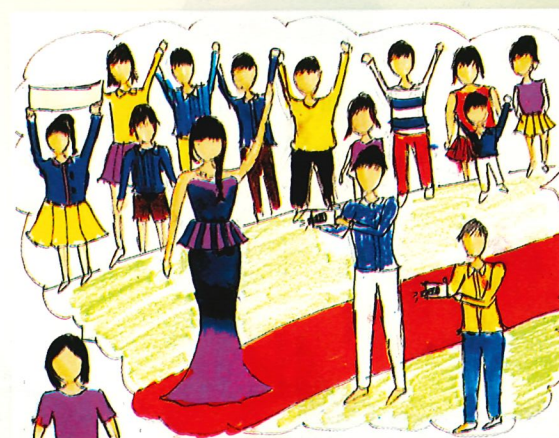
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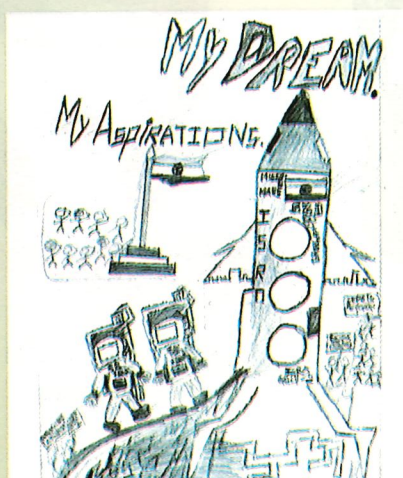
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LETTERS OF APPRECIATION

To
The Principal
Bombay Scottish School, Powai.

3rd April, 2017

Respected Madam,

As the academic year comes to an end, it is with great pleasure and appreciation that as a parent I thank you. The academic year started with a change, for the students and parents both, there was a lot of curiosity as to what holds ahead for all. Change as good as it may be, always has many questions from everyone when it happens. But as school ends its academic year, I applaud the work and efforts put in by you, Ma'am.

It is admirable how this academic session went by with the various events and competitions organized and held by the school under your guidance. As a parent, it is a wonderful feeling when your child is excited about everything happening in the school and is eager to participate in the competitions, to name a few, Hindi poem writing, Jewellery designing, drawing competition, Mono Act and many more that was held for the Junior section. All which my daughter - Aashna Batheja of 3B participated and won, in most too. To make participation a compulsion and not an option was very helpful as every child should give it a try at least. Academically, homework and exam revision in the form of printable sheets for the kids to complete and submit was a good thought and really helpful.

Having a child in the senior class too, it was very comforting to learn how you connected with them by personally being involved with them, whether it was a short session of teaching in their class or showing them how a performance should be done to perfection without hesitant. It was all that my elder daughter Krishna Batheja of 8B felt, shared and personally experienced with you when you guided her for the inter-school drama competition - HAIRAT 2016 which the kids performed brilliantly and won 1st Prize. Also, their performances for the Annual Day and Founders Day reflected your support all the way. It only build up their confidence when they knew they can approach you with any queries or questions they may have.

Not missing out on the many school events that happened this year, of the main are Annual Day and Sports Day. Truly it was a wonderful experience to be part of such an event, right from the concept to the end, everything was nothing but perfect. As a parent there was a connection and excitement that was nothing less of a "WOW". Seeing the teachers and students together at the finale was heart-warming and emotional. As both my daughters move to their next level of academics. I'm glad that you shall be there to guide and nurture them and encourage them to give out nothing but their best.

I look forward to many more interesting and challenging competitions and events in the next academics year. It would be great to see the children participating in more inter-school competitions along with training workshops for the seniors. Thank you once again for a wonderful and eventful academic year. Looking forward to many more in the future.

Regards,

Ruchi Batheja

Parent of Aashna Batheja-3B & Krishna Batheja-8B



Dear Ma'am,

Good afternoon. I'm Sonali Alves, mother of Liam Alves who just graduated from Sr. Kg (div A)

I have 3 reasons for writing to you.

The 1st is to commend you on the wonderful annual concert that you and your team put up for us yesterday. The amount of hard work that was put into it was evident. The result was fabulous & beyond my expectations. Everything was wonderful right from conceptualising, costumes & the performances themselves. The love & effort put in by your team was reflected in the joy, pride & confidence that the children displayed.

Secondly, the entire school year has been a wonderful surprise. The various activities that were organised, the field trips, the class room activities etc ensured that the kids were never bored & that they looked forward to going to school every day. They had something to look forward to almost every week (This was certainly true for my child). Also the class room activities helped make them more confident about speaking in front of a group.

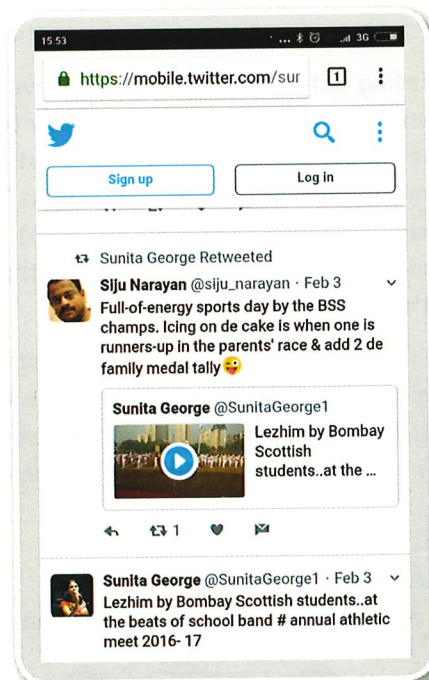
Finally, I must mention how impressed I have been with my son's class teacher Mrs. Raghavan. She truly made this year wonderful. She made each child feel so special & loved. I know my son will miss her dearly. He was in tears while saying bye to her after the concert. She has been loving & encouraging & has truly created a home away from home for the kids. While I am sure that all the teachers are equally devoted, I consider my son really lucky to have had her as his teacher.

We are already looking forward to what the next year holds.

Thank you.

Sonali Alves

(Mother of Liam Alves)



Respected Principal

On behalf of all the parents of the Sr.KG section of Bombay Scottish School Powai, I want to appreciate all the pain, effort and dedication shown towards our children by your team of talented teachers and their helpers.

Today's event was so superbly done -

The seamless movement of the kids on and off stage

Their performances, nothing to beat the gusto and energy of a child

The children narrators, so clear in diction and pronunciation!

It was so emotional, as your staff made us feel so relaxed and asked us to sit back just to watch our little wonders pleasantly surprise us. Indeed our babies have grown up in this wonderful school and today graduated from Pre-primary. The fondness for each other and the tears of separation for some to know that they are not going to be in the same class - these are what memories are made up of.

And last, but not least - your very insightful words on parenting. We couldn't agree more with you on everything you said. Parenting is one journey and it is not for the faint hearted. Letting go of that piece of your heart only to give him/her wings to soar high!

Thank you once again to you and the staff and looking forward to many more such years of making memories and growing up the Scottish way!

Warm regards

Margaret Patrao

On behalf of all the parents of the Sr. Kg section



School Song

There stands our school near Powai Lake,
Built on a wondrous site,
By successors to Scotsmen, Oh! so true,
All honour is their right.
So proud are we of this great school,
We sing with right good will –
Its praise and follow every rule,
To make it greater still.
Then we would up and cheer and laud,
Our teachers ev'ry one:
They spare no pains – (nor yet the rod!)
To see our tasks well done.
Sing, Bombay Scottish School, my lad,
Our School we thus address.
Sing, Bombay Scottish School, my lass,
Sing, Bombay Scottish School.





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