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DHAVAL SIR : THE IRON MAN AND STEEL MAN OF INDIA AT AGS SPORTS DAY

Our beloved trustee and sports inspiration **Mr. Dhaval Ajmera** graced the 13th Annual Sports Meet of Ajmera Global School held on 27th January 2024.

The highlight of the entire event was the presence of Mr. Dhaval Ajmera, the Iron Man, and an esteemed trustee of our beloved school. Mr. Dhaval Ajmera was a beacon of sportsmanship as he spoke about his love for sports and how one's physical, mental as well as spiritual strength keeps one strong and agile.



His inspiring words filled the students with energy, and they participated in events and activities that showcased their physical as well as mental prowess. The presence of parents boosted the students' spirits, fueling their determination to excel in every sport.



Outstanding Cambridge Learner Award - Cambridge Learners: Lifelong Learners!



Some of us compete with others and there are some who only compete with themselves. We are very proud of our alumnus **Mst. Anay Gupta** who has once again proved his mettle by winning the most coveted outstanding Cambridge Learner award in February 2024 at 'The Lalit'.

Anay Gupta has been felicitated as:

- 1) World Topper in Mathematics
- 2) World Topper in ICT
- 3) Securing the third position across all subjects in India.



We would also like to once again congratulate **Mst. Maanas Katwala** for his award as the world topper in Mathematics.

Congratulations to the entire school community.

Sports' Day 2024

Hard Days Maketh a Champion!

Sport has the power to change the world. It has the power to inspire. It has the power to unite people in a way that little else does. It speaks to youth in a language they understand. Sport can create hope where there was once despair.

– Nelson Mandela

Ajmera Global School conducted its much-awaited Sports Day on January 27, 2024, amidst much fanfare and excitement. It was a day full of rigour and energy; a day of camaraderie and sportsmanship, a day when students showcased what they are made of.

The parents had a field day cheering for their squads and their teams and partaking in various events specially curated for them.





Bhaag Milkha Bhaag!

From races to marathons, from displays to drills, from songs to dances the AGS Sports Meet had it all. Students participated in each event whole-heartedly and created a wonderful collage of beautiful memories.



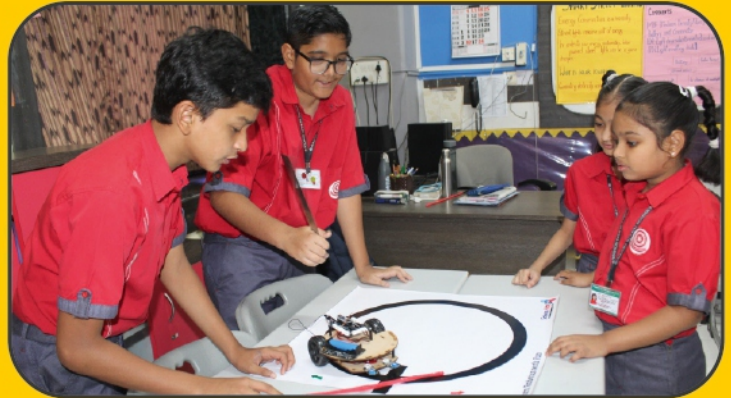
Team Sports

AGS held a team sports competition on 18th January 2024 which included games like football, cricket and basketball. The event created an uproar with each team displaying their top athletic skills. The games gave a perfect ceremonial touch to the events.



Science and Fun : Building Blocks to Global Solidarity!

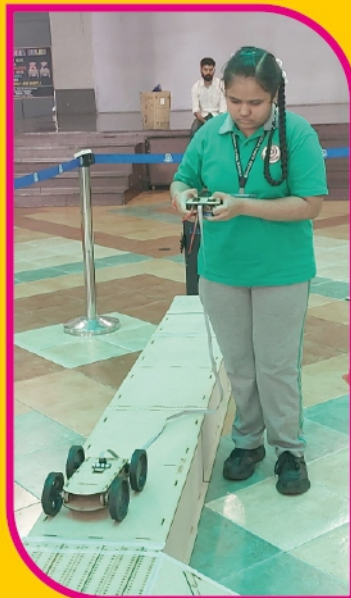
The Science and Fun Exhibition aptly themed, 'Building Blocks to Global Solidarity' held at Ajmera Global School on 23rd and 24th February 2024, witnessed great enthusiasm and budding participation from children of diverse classes, who had the distinct opportunity of exploring as well as expressing their creative scientific ideas in the form of activities, models and projects. The event gave a diverse, hands on experience to children, wherein they could translate the theoretical scientific principles into modes of application in the form of observable phenomena. This event led the children from the realms of theory into the arena of practicum.



MIND WARS: A Battle for the Brains!

AGS was buzzing with enthusiasm on 22nd and 23rd February 2024 when students got an exciting opportunity to participate in Mind Wars, a carefully curated activity including the making of bio-jewellery, scientific cartooning and an opportunity to participate in a robot-race using dexterity and sagacity to compete with each other using autonomous driving, electrically powered vehicles.

The students displayed their physical as well as mental prowess while learning new and innovative ways to express their love of the sciences.



Science Assembly - An Ode to National Science Day!

February 28 is celebrated as National Science Day all over India commemorating the discovery of the Raman Effect by the renowned physicist Sir Chandrasekhara Venkata Raman. AGS celebrated and paid tribute with a special assembly on 28th February 2024 focusing on science, quizzes and experiments paying tribute to one of the greatest scientists of all time, Sir C.V. Raman. Students from Grades 3 to 9 participated enthusiastically focusing on the theme for the year "Indigenous Technologies for

Viksit Bharat'.



Do Svidaniya! Until we meet again!



With a heavy heart we bid adieu to our 12th IGCSE Learners' Batch on 5th March 2024. A day that marked the beginning of a new expedition after a short sojourn where they spent some lovely years and made some beautiful memories.

It was an emotional day for the students as they gave speeches and shared their hearts out while thanking all their teachers: their mentors and guides, and shared lovely anecdotes of their growing-up years with AGS.

We wish all our students all the very best. Go and get the world!



Eloquence, Expression and Elocution!

The English Elocution Competition was held for Grades 3 to 9 on 29th January 2024 in order to promote the love for language in terms of pronunciation, delivery and voice modulation, and develop English in its spoken form.

All the participants performed exceptionally well, winning accolades for their house. The competition gave a lot of encouragement and confidence to the performers and to all the students present there. The topics of the competition targeted the SDGs. The confidence, expression and talent of the young ones made the event truly memorable.



Field Trips

Industries, Innovation and Entrepreneurs!

AGS students of Grades 8 and 9 explored an Industrial Unit to gain valuable insights into complex scientific concepts, thus making their learning concrete. The students visited an Electroplating unit in Charkop, Kandivali on 18th January 2024 to gain experience and refine their scientific skills.



The smell of paper, ink and the printing press!

Grades 6 & 7 spent a stupendous evening in the Times of India Office in Kandivali on 19th January 2024 learning about the art of printing newspapers. It was a great evening where students were taken on a tour of the entire building where the next days' news were printed right before their eyes. It was a surreal experience seeing tomorrow's headlines today.



Special Assembly on Life Below Water!

Jal hai to Jeevan hai!

The above adage sums up the importance of life thriving on this planet due to water. Water replenishes life on land as well as under water. Students of Grades 8 & 9 conducted a special assembly (including a court session discussing problems and solutions) on 'Life Below Water' on 12th February 2024 to spread awareness about the plight of organisms living in threat due to human intervention and its repercussions on the entire planet.



75th Republic Day Celebration: Shashakt Bharat, Viksit Bharat!

AGS celebrated the 75th Republic Day on 26th January 2024 with great pomp and pride. Students celebrated the day with lovely patriotic songs, speeches and dances. It filled each and everyone sitting in the audience with great pride.

Cricket Legend at AGS!



We feel immense joy and pride in sharing that we were fortunate enough to see a living and breathing cricketing legend amidst us on the celebration of the Republic Day on 26th January 2024.

Mr. John Buchanan the ex-coach of the Australian Cricket Team was amidst us to share his thoughts and interact with kids who were over-excited to meet him and sate their appetites with cricket facts and trivia.

AGS held an art competition for students from PYP 3 to Grade 9 on 18th January 2024. Students created lovely art works on 18th January 2024 based on the theme 'Our Planet, Our Future', highlighting the importance of humans and their actions on our planet.

The Artist's Corner - Create and Compete!



Expressions: Farcical, Contemporary, Comical!

Theatre and Drama: The AGS Way

Drama is life with the dull bits cut out - Alfred Hitchcock

Our AGS Speech and Drama students put up some lovely skits to showcase their learning through the year in their speech and drama class. And boy what performances they were! From the new venture of murder scene cleaners to students who failed to study for a test, each performance was mesmerizing and worthy of applause. The whole auditorium was in splits begging for more. All the parents of the students participating in the skits were present to motivate and appreciate their performances. Grades 6 & 7 performed their skits on 18th March 2024 followed by Grades 8 & 9 on 20th March, 2024 respectively.



DRONES: TOUCHING THE SKIES, ONE SHOT AT A TIME!



In an era spearheaded by technological advancements, AGS feels the need to forge ahead with the times, so we graciously hosted a drone workshop on 4th March 2024, to let our parents and students get an insight into the workings of a drone and give the students an opportunity to attend a weekend workshop where they would be trained in the arts of drone assembling and learning about its working and practical uses.

The workshop was hosted by **Mr. Dev Shah** founder and owner of Skyforce Innovations Pvt. Ltd.

Event & Competitions

Messy Day

The children enjoyed playing Dry holi with Eco-friendly colours. They were dressed up in casual clothes to enjoy the festival of colours with teachers and peers. They had a blast dancing to the musical songs.



Talent Show

The children showcase their creativity (talent) by choosing their medium of expression either through dance, singing, enactment or craft work.



Show and tell

The children were asked to get the object from home related to the unit and speak about it in a complete sentence.



PYPians Unleash Their Inner Authors!

The Holistic Writing Event conducted on 18th March for PYP 1- PYP5 ignited creativity and refined the students' writing skills. Students delved into a two-draft process, with draft 1 on 18th March and the 2nd draft on 22nd March. Students could explore their ideas freely in the first draft. Then, with the guidance of teachers, they sharpened their drafts, focusing on elements like sentence structure, vocabulary, and storytelling techniques.



Special Assembly

Beat the heat

Grade K1 children conducted the Special Assembly on the Beat the heat. It included prayer song, action song and a skit. The objective of the assembly was to make children gain knowledge about how to stay healthy and safe during summer season.



Science Experiments

The assembly was conducted to show student basic experiments (as per their age level). They gained knowledge how science experiments are performed and also help us to know the importance of keep trying and never give up till you achieve the desired results.



World Puppetry Day

The children enjoyed watching Puppet Show on Adventure - Let's Explore with friends. The puppet show was importance of being together to solve any problem in our journey.



Guest Speaker Sessions

Lessons on Entrepreneurship



Mrs. Sonal Shah

Mrs. Sonal Shah, parent of Hridhaan Shah, was the guest speaker for PYP 3 students on 26th March as they inquire into the functioning of an organization. They got a good exposure of how to turn a creative passion into a successful business, challenges faced by entrepreneurs and ways to overcome them.



Collaborative Teaching



Grade 6 student, **Tanishka Gupta**, a young author herself, was a great support to PYP 4 learners as she shared some valuable insights on 29th March. Her discussions on creative writing, incorporating creative elements and the writing process were really beneficial of the learners who are learning about Writing Art! Such ideas form an author herself was really an inspiration for the students.



HOS Ma'am Inspires with Leadership Lessons

Students of PYP 3 went straight to the top in a dynamic session with the school's very own HOS Ma'am on 21st March! The young learners got an insider's look at how the school operates. HOS Ma'am dished on the different teams that keep things running smoothly, the challenges faced in leading a school, and the superpowers of good leadership and teamwork. PYP 3 left the session empowered, not just



Ms. Hima Doshi



PYP 2 BUCKLES UP FOR SAFETY!

ASI Shekhar Chavan and team were the guest speaker for PYP 2 on 14th February to deepen their understanding of various signs and symbols related to safety and traffic. Students learnt all about the importance of following traffic rules. The officers explained the purpose behind traffic rules, from keeping pedestrians safe to preventing accidents. PYP 2 left the session with a toolbox full of road safety knowledge, ready to be responsible passengers.



Experiences Across Virtually!

Mr. Samir Naik, parent of PYP 2, living in New Jersey was a perceptive guest speaker for PYP 2 students as they inquire into Earth's Movement. He explained about the time zone and climatic conditions of New Jersey and shared his experiences with the students virtually. This interaction reinforced the concepts in student's learning journey!



Guest Speaker Sessions



Ms. Abira Dhar

An entertainment journalist of NDTV

PYP 3 Gets Headline Worthy!

Our junior investigators in PYP 3 sharpened their media literacy skills with a captivating guest speaker session featuring an entertainment journalist, Ms. Abira Dhar on 9th February. By diving deep into the world of media, they learned how to become responsible consumers, equipped to navigate the information landscape with critical thinking!



Children gained knowledge about Airways by knowing about the rules of the Airport and do's and don'ts of Passenger while taking off and landing.



Mr. Sandeep Joshi
Cabin Crew



Author Sparks Creativity in Guest Session

PYP 4 had an electrifying session with an author, Mr. Anub George on 27th March in connection with their unit on, 'Writing Art'! The budding wordsmiths got an insider's look at the writing world. The author spilled the beans on brain storming block buster ideas, navigating the writing process, and the journey of publishing a book leaving PYP 4 brimming with motivation to unleash their inner authors!



Decoding Organizations with a Real Entrepreneur

Mr. Jaydeep Sheth - Entrepreneur



PYP 3 donned their thinking caps for a fascinating guest speaker session with a proprietor, Mr. Jaydeep Sheth on 14th March! They delved into the inner workings of organizations, exploring everything from leadership structures to tackling tough company challenges. Equipped with their newfound knowledge, these go-getters are now ready to brainstorm solutions and become future leaders themselves!



BEYOND THE FIELD!



Mr. Paresh Kothari
Co-founder of TSG

PYP 3 aimed for growth mindsets during an inspiring guest speaker session with the co-founder of 'The Sports Gurukul', Mr. Paresh Kothari on 27th March! Students delved into the world of organizations, exploring the different team structures that make a company run. They also learned about the challenges faced in any business and how to overcome them. But most importantly, Mr. Paresh shared his own story, highlighting the power of passion in turning a love for sports into a successful business venture.



Field Trips

K2 Field trip - Metro Ride

K2 students explored the metro ride as the unit was about Transportation. They got hands-on experience of rules of metro station and how does the metro train works.



PYP 3 Suits Up for Change!



PYP 3 students got a first-hand look at how non-governmental organizations operate during their field trip to 'Being Child Care' on 30th March. They learned how the NGO was founded by a passionate individual who strived to make a positive difference in society. The trip dovetailed perfectly with their unit on organizations, allowing PYP 3 to explore the power of vision, mission, and teamwork in tackling real-world issues. The students left the trip feeling inspired, not just as learners, but as future agents of change with the power to create a better world!

Nursery + K2 Field trip - Fire Station

Nursery and K2 students went to Fire station to explore different tools of Firemen. They got hands-on experience of how the firemen work in case of fire.



PYP 4 Unearths the Past!



PYP 4 embarked on an adventurous field trip to the Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Vastu Sangrahalaya on 10th February! Students explored the vast collections, of ancient civilizations. By comparing artifacts and exhibits from the past to the world around them, PYP 4 gained a deeper understanding of how societies have changed and evolved. With a newfound appreciation for history, these curious minds explored the exciting journey of human kind!



Nursery Field trip Near by Vicinity

Nursery students got hands-on experience about their unit-Community Helpers. They learned about how community they live in looks like. They explored shops, buildings, vegetable market and met community helpers.



Magic of Print Media at The Times of India



PYP 3 became junior journalists during an eye-opening field trip to The Times of India on 10th February! The curious learners got a behind the scenes look at the world of print media. They dove deep into their media unit, gaining a clear understanding of how news is collected, verified, and published. The trip wasn't just about headlines – PYP 3 witnessed the exciting process of articles coming together and even saw the mighty printing presses! With their new found knowledge, these media whizzes are ready to analyse the news with a critical eye!

Let's Party at Baccha Party!

Early years to PYP2 went to Baccha party, Malad. They enjoyed ball pool, long slide, gaming zone, trampoline and magic show. Also, relished on delicious breakfast and meal.



Juice Adventure Resorts - Kids just wanna have fun!

AGS had a fun day at Juice Adventure Resorts on 1st March 2024. Students from Grades 3 to 9 accompanied by our beloved HOS, principals, leaders and teachers happily participated in all activities and displayed great bravado even while being on some of the most challenging tasks. All in all, it was a great day with great food, music and fun activities that made the day memorable.



Special Assemblies

ACT Now Inspires Social Change

PYP students are making a difference! To promote this, ACT Now was conducted on 5th February. Act Now is a platform where they showcase actions, they've taken to help the community. From beach clean-ups to anti-bullying campaigns, PYP is tackling real issues. These photos capture their passion and inspire others to get involved. ACT Now is empowering PYP to become active citizens who leave a positive mark on the world!



Action on Climate Change!

Students rallied for our planet during a special assembly dedicated to Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 13: Climate Action on 8th January. The change makers learned all about the importance of combating climate change and the ways we can all make a difference. The assembly sparked lively discussions and a renewed commitment to environmental responsibility.

Protecting Our Planet, One Action at a Time

PYP students roared with excitement during the special assembly dedicated to UNSDG Goal 15: Life on Land on 19th February! The assembly featured presentations that highlighted the threats faced by land-based habitats, from deforestation to pollution. But it wasn't all doom and gloom! Students also discovered inspiring solutions and ways they can make a difference, from planting trees to reducing waste.



Sowing Seeds of Peace

PYP students blossomed into peace ambassadors during a special assembly based on the Sustainable Development Goal 16: Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions on 11th March! The emphasis was on the importance of peaceful societies and strong institutions. Through engaging activities, mimes and presentations, they delved into concepts like justice, fairness, and inclusivity. With hearts full of hope and minds brimming with ideas, students are committed to building a brighter, more peaceful future for all!



Capstone Exhibition Showcases Months of Learning

PYP 5 transformed into vibrant stations of knowledge during their culminating Exhibition on 15th and 16th of March! For months, these dedicated learners delved deep into their individual passions, pouring their hearts into a variety of passion projects. PYP 5 honed their research skills—the classrooms buzzed with activity as students embarked on field trips, surveys of classmates, interviews with experts. These experiences weren't just about gathering facts; they were about igniting curiosity and fostering a love for lifelong learning. They showcased their expertise by crafting visually engaging presentations using a range of ICT skills. The classrooms brimmed with energy as PYP 5 students confidently presented their findings, their enthusiasm and expertise captivating the audience. The Capstone Exhibition wasn't just a showcase of learning; it was a celebration of student agency as they took ownership of their projects, demonstrating their ability to research, analyse, create, and communicate effectively. It was a testament to their months of hardwork, dedication, and a glimpse into the bright futures that lie ahead!



Lights, Camera, Action!

Our budding orators brought the house down on 20th March at the much-anticipated Speech and Drama event! Students from PYP1 to PYP3 captivated the audience with their powerful presentations, showcasing their talent and confidence. The dedication and creativity poured into each performance was truly awe-inspiring. The Speech and Drama event was a resounding success, proving that the school is a breeding ground for talented storytellers and future stars!



A Fond Farewell and a Bright Future: PYP 5 Graduation Ceremony



In a heart-warming ceremony filled with pride and excitement, the school bid farewell to its graduating class of PYP 5 students on 12th April. This momentous occasion marked the culmination of their Primary Years Program journey, a time of immense growth and exploration. The HOS, Ms. Hima Doshi, PYP, and secondary principals, Ms. Pushpalata Ajit and Ms. Nisha Bhatia, shared their valuable words of wisdom with the graduating class and instilled a sense of confidence, encouraging the graduates to embrace the journey with a spirit of curiosity, resilience, and a willingness to learn.



A Hymn, from Nature

A hymn from nature,
Calls out to you and me,
The cherry blossoms on the tree,
Falls to the mercy of waves,
that returned to die in its grave, the sea.
The sky poses foggy heavens,
Dreams that remain unseen,
Fall gently from bough to bough,
Into the dense canopy.

- Aaliya Maredia

WAR



I want to end this war,
I don't want blood shed anymore.
Bodies lay scattered on the around,
Fathers, brothers, sons...all buried to the ground.
The nauseating scent of blood surrounds me,
I'm filled with guilt, with agony.
I don't ask,
Instead I watch the blood spilt all over the floor,
If only we had settled for peace,
We would have not had this war!

- Hridyansh N.Magniram (Gr. 6B)

CHOICES & DECISIONS



In life's grand maze, we find our way,
A path unfolds with each passing day.
Choices like stars in the midnight sky,
Guiding us ahead, teaching us why.

Should I leap forward, or hesitate,
Decisions like ripples on a serene lake.
One step left or right, which shall it be?
The compass of our heart holds the key.

Choose kindness over anger's flame,
Decide to party, when life plays its game.
For every crossroad, a chance to grow,
Our choices shape the stories we sow.

So, choose wisely, embrace the unknown,
For in your choice, your destiny is sown

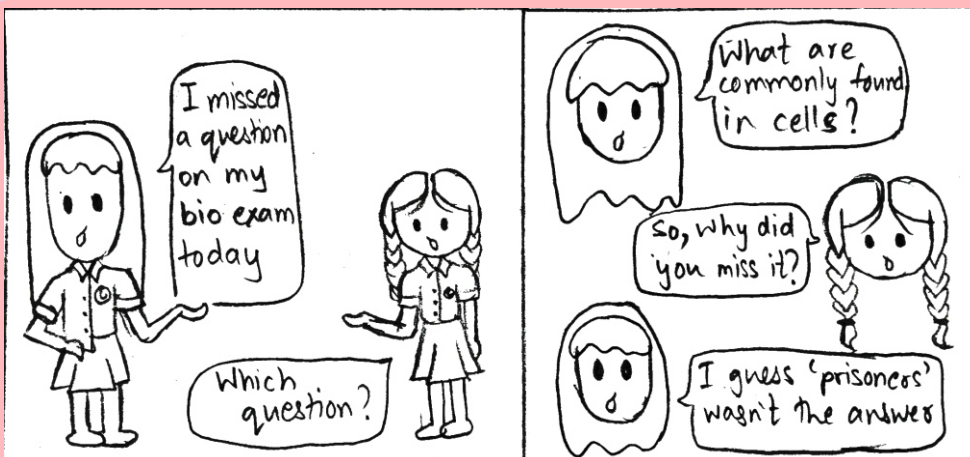
-Tanishka Bhatia (Gr. 7)

POEM ON CANVAS AND BELL



Canvas
With a white plane surface,
and a plane face,
You can colour me,
and make a bee.
Make me colourful,
And I'll be beautiful.
And remember, make me well,
Or else I'll yell.

- By- Ruchika Naik, PYP4A



Chika n Bubbly

-by Moha Desai (Gr.9)

No-Fire Recipes



- by Mahi Sheth Grade 7



Overnight Oats

Combine rolled oats with your choice of milk (dairy or non-dairy), add sweeteners like honey or maple syrup, and mix in toppings like fruits, nuts, or seeds. Let it sit in the fridge overnight, and enjoy a delicious breakfast in the morning.



Smoothie Bowl

Blend frozen fruits like bananas, berries, and mangoes with yogurt or milk until smooth. Pour the mixture into a bowl and top it with granola, nuts, seeds, or sliced fruits for a refreshing and nutritious meal.



No-Bake Energy Bites

Mix together rolled oats, nut butter, honey or maple syrup, and add-ins like chocolate chips, shredded coconut, or dried fruit. Roll the mixture into small balls and refrigerate until firm for a quick and satisfying snack.



Cold Pasta Salad

Cook pasta according to package instructions, then rinse it under cold water to cool. Toss the pasta with chopped vegetables like tomatoes, cucumbers, and bell peppers, along with a dressing made from olive oil, vinegar, and herbs. Chill in the fridge before serving.



Fruit Salad

Chop up a variety of fresh fruits such as strawberries, kiwi, pineapple, and grapes. Combine them in a bowl and add a squeeze of lemon juice or a drizzle of honey for extra flavour. Serve chilled as a refreshing dessert or snack.



Tongue Twisters

- by Shivam Vadher

Through three cheese trees
three free fleas flew.
While these fleas flew,
freezy breeze blew.
Freezy breeze made
these three trees freeze.
Freezy trees made
these trees' cheese freeze.
That's what made these
three fleas sneeze.

Luke Luck likes lakes.
Luke's duck likes lakes.
Luke Luck licks lakes.
Luck's duck licks lakes.

Duck takes licks in lakes Luke
Luck likes.
Luke Luck takes licks in lakes
duck likes.

- from Dr. Seuss' Fox in

Riddles solution for issue 3

1. HISSTORY
2. Because they live in schools
3. Because it tocks too much
4. To reach the high notes
5. Because it is full of dates
6. Because it already has many degrees.
7. A CHEATah
8. They byte
9. Create a WEBSITE.
10. Because he can never be right!



Recipe Corner



Potato Cheese Shots

- by Simone Charania (PYP 5)

- Ingredient :**
 - 250 gm potato
 - 1 tsp garlic paste
 - salt as per taste
 - 1/2 tsp chilli flakes
 - 1/4 tsp pepper
 - 6 tbsp breadcrumbs
 - oil for frying
- Coating the ball:**
 - 2 tbsp cornstarch
 - 2 tbsp maida
 - 1/2 cup breadcrumbs
- Stuffing:**
 - 100 gram cheese
 - 1/2 tsp herbs
 - 1/2 tsp chilli flakes
 - 1/4 tsp pepper

Steps to make potato cheese shots:

1. Boil the potatoes till they are partly soft. Ensure that they are not completely mushy. Remove the skin and mash it smooth. There should be no lumps.
2. Add garlic powder, herbs, coriander leaves, a pinch of salt, chilli flakes and pepper as per the taste and add breadcrumbs.
3. Mix them well and make a ball. The mixture must bind together and should not be sticky or too dry.
4. Divide the mixture into 10 – 12 equal sized balls.
5. Cut the cheese to 1/2 inch cubes, mix the cheese with the stuffing.
6. Press the cheese cube into the centre of the potato ball (prepared in step 4). Repeat this with all the balls. Coat the balls in dry cornflour, and then coat it in maida and cornflour slurry. Finally cover it in breadcrumbs.
7. Fry the coated balls till they are golden brown. Potato cheese shots are ready.

Enjoy with ketchup or cheesy mayo!



Watermelon Feta Cheese

- Chop watermelon in cubes.
- Add 20 grams of feta cheese.
- Crumble it with hands.
- Roughly chop lettuce with hands.
- Add 2 tsp of pine nuts.
- Add half spoon of salt.
- Add 1/4 spoon of black pepper powder.
- Dress it with 1 tbsp of olive oil.
- Mix everything well and serve it in a bowl.

- by Meher Karia (Gr. 6B)

Solution for Issue 3

Rebus Puzzle Solution

- 1) Try to understand
- 2) Green House
- 3) Sitting on top of the world
- 4) Go up in smoke
- 5) Travel overseas
- 6) Happy Hour



SPOT THE 5 DIFFERENCES

- by Pratham Trivedi
Gr.9

LATIN LEGACY

Latin, as the precursor to many modern languages, has left an indelible mark on various fields, including law, medicine, science, and academia. Here are some popular Latin words and abbreviations along with their origins and meanings, still commonly used today, for their clarity, precision, and historical significance.

e.g. (exempli gratia):

Origin: Latin, meaning "for example."

Meaning: Used to introduce examples in a sentence. It helps clarify and illustrate a point.

Usage: There are many fruits in the basket, e.g., apples, oranges, and bananas.

i.e. (id est):

Origin: Latin, meaning "that is" or "in other words."

Meaning: Translating to "that is" or "in other words," i.e. is used to provide further clarification or to rephrase something. It's often used to specify or explain a statement.

Usage: She prefers warmer climates, i.e., places with temperatures above 20°C.

etc. (et cetera):

Origin: Latin, meaning "and the rest."

Meaning: Literally meaning "and the rest," etc. is used to indicate that there are more items in a list or series, but they are not explicitly mentioned. It helps to avoid listing every item and provides a sense of completeness.

Usage: The store sells various items: fruits, vegetables, dairy products, etc.

viz: (videlicet)

Origin: Latin, meaning: "namely" or "that is to say." It is used to introduce examples or specify particular items within a larger category.

Usage: The store sells various electronic gadgets, viz., smartphones, tablets, and laptops.

vice versa:

Origin: Latin, meaning "the position having been reversed."

Meaning: Translating to "the position having been reversed," vice versa is used to indicate that the order of two things has been reversed or that the roles of two parties have been exchanged.

Usage: He respected her, and **vice versa**, their relationship was built on mutual admiration.

Modus operandi (M.O.):

Origin: Latin, meaning "method of operating."

Meaning: Refers to a person's or organisation's typical way of doing things or conducting operations.

Usage: The detective analysed the criminal's **modus operandi** to predict their next move.



SPORTS WORD SEARCH



B	Q	M	A	S	S	L	L	A	B	T	O	O	F	K
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BADMINTON
BASEBALL
BASKETBALL
BOWLING
BOXING

CYCLING
FOOTBALL
GOLF
GYMNASTICS
HOCKEY

KARATE
LACROSSE
RACING
RUGBY
SKIING

SOCCER
SURFING
SWIMMING
TENNIS
VOLLEYBALL

- by Suhaan Srivastava (Gr.9)

7 ANCIENT WONDERS OF THE WORLD



The **Great Pyramid of Giza** was built in 2570 BC and is the only ancient wonder of the world still standing today. It was constructed as a tomb for the 4th dynasty Egyptian pharaoh named Khufu, part of a complex that included temples and many other pyramids.



The **Hanging Gardens of Babylon** was built in 600 BC and was destroyed by earthquake in 226 BC. They are generally believed to have been built by King Nebuchadrezzar II for his wife because she missed the gardens of her home, but some research suggests that it was an elaborate series of rooftop gardens.



The **Statue of Zeus at Olympia** was built in 430 BC and was destroyed by fire in 426 AD. Carved from ivory, on a throne of cedarwood, the statue was created by the Greek sculptor Phidias around 430 BC.



The **Temple of Artemis at Ephesus** was built in 550 BC and was destroyed by fire in 356 BC. It was built and rebuilt over the course of many years. Unlike many other temples of its time, it was built of marble and glittered with gold, and was said to rise to the clouds.



The **Mausoleum at Halicarnassus** was built in 352 BC and was destroyed by earthquake in 1404 AD. The monument was built as a tomb for Mausolus, a governor in the Persian Empire.



The **Lighthouse of Alexandria** was built in 280 BC and was destroyed by earthquake in 1323 AD. Located on the island of Pharos in the

harbour of Alexandria, the lighthouse may be the most famous lighthouse in history.



The **Colossus of Rhodes** was built in 282 BC and was destroyed by earthquake in 226 BC. In 294 BC, the people of the island of Rhodes began building a colossal statue of the sun god Helios. They believed that it was because of his blessings that they were able to withstand a long siege on the island and emerge victorious.

- by Kavya Shah (Gr. 9)

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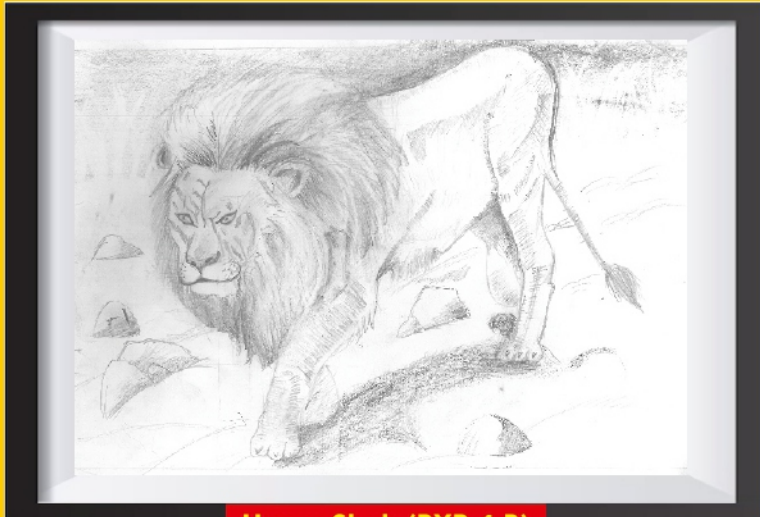
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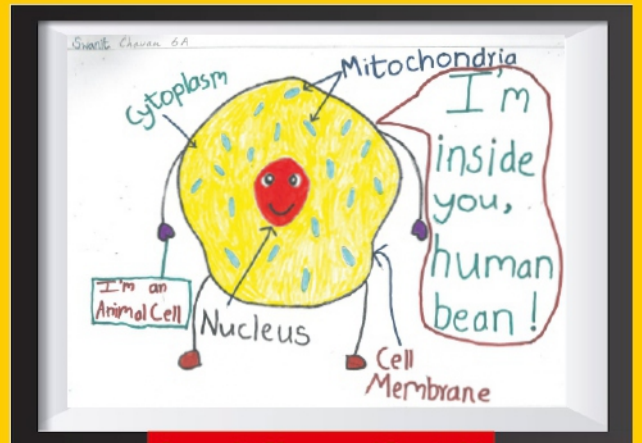
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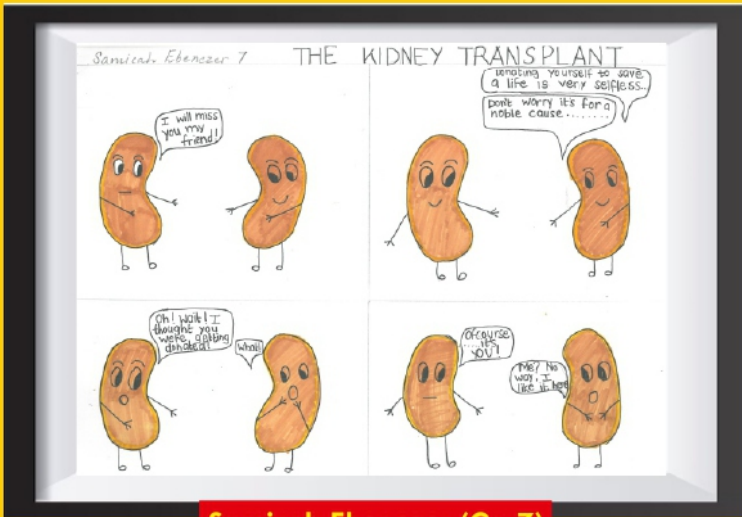
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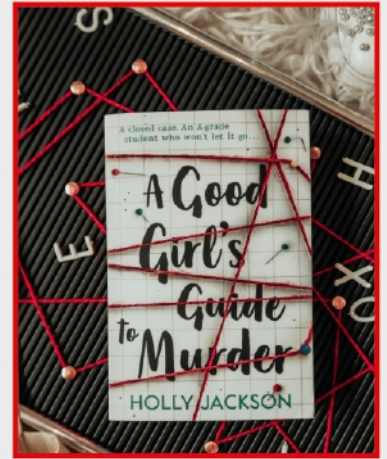


Zofie Prasla (Gr. 6 B)

EXPECT THE UNEXPECTED: A GOOD GIRL'S GUIDE TO MURDER

Yes, and no. It's not what you think it is: this book is not going to transform you into a murderer or a criminal mastermind. Instead, it's going to turn you into an amateur detective with a knack for unraveling mysteries and decoding clues. Holly Jackson's "A Good Girl's Guide to Murder" is a rollercoaster of a read that had me hooked from the very first page.

From the striking cover page that practically dares you to peek inside, to the last satisfying twist, this book is a wild ride through small-town intrigue and teenage tenacity. Here is a brief insight into this riveting mystery novel: high school student Pippa Fitz-Amobi (goes by Pip) takes on a school project that quickly spirals into a full-fledged investigation. Fascinated by a local murder case that was supposedly solved five years ago, Pip delves deep into the mystery, uncovering secrets, lies, and potential suspects along the way. With her sharp intellect and determination, Pip navigates through the twists and turns of the case, all while facing danger in her quest for the truth.



However, this book is not only 'just' monotonous reading. It keeps the readers engrossed throughout with Pip's unique and always-changing Persons of Interest lists, interview transcripts, call logs and her investigation notes, all guiding her through the tangled web of secrets surrounding the case.

While reading the book, I didn't feel like a passive observer but rather, an active participant in the mystery-solving process. It's this interactive element that makes the book feel so immersive, drawing you in and keeping you on the edge of your seat until the very end. I must have guessed almost all the queer and eccentric characters as murderers, but turned out wrong each time- that is how unexpected the twist in the story is!

But perhaps the most exciting news of all is the upcoming adaptation of the book into a TV series. I can't wait to see how the story unfolds in this new format and to introduce even more viewers to the thrilling world that Holly Jackson has created. Grab your magnifying glass and get ready to join Pip on her adventure—and I promise, you won't regret it. So, go claim your ticket of 'I was a fan of AGGGTM before the show' and soon...

Rating: ****

-by Udit Kasliwal (Gr. 9)

HUMAN GENOME

Human genome project (HGP) was an international scientific research project which got successfully completed in the year 2003 by sequencing the entire human genome of 3.3 billion base pairs. The HGP led to the growth of the field bioinformatics' research. The successful sequencing of the human genome could solve the mystery of many disorders in humans and give us a way to cope up with them.

Before starting any mission, we all have a few goals to achieve and so does this project. A few of their goals were optimisation of the data analysis, sequencing the entire genome, creating genome sequence databases to store the data and identification of the complete human genome.

Our entire genome is made up of 3164.7 million base pairs. On average, a gene is made up of 3000 nucleotides. Most of the genome is made up of repetitive sequences which have no coding purposes specifically, but such redundant codes can help us better understand of genetic development of humanity through the ages.



As the goals of the human genome project were achieved, it led to great advancement in research. Today, if any disease arises due to some alteration in a certain gene, then it could be traced and compared to the genome database that we already have. In this way, a more rational step could be taken to deal with the problem and can be fixed with more ease.

This project is a great achievement of humanity and since this project, curing numerous disease have become much more facile and easier than ever.

by Trishsa Sawant (Gr. 6 A)

SCIENCE-N-FUN

In an age where curiosity propels innovation and exploration knows no bounds, Science-N-Fun stands as a beacon of ingenuity, showcasing the remarkable achievements and groundbreaking discoveries of budding scientists and visionaries. Nestled within its rooms lies knowledge that can change the human race, a place where the mysteries of the universe unravel and the marvels of technology unfold.

Science-N-Fun aimed for creating and displaying the building blocks to global sustainability. Students presented their projects through interactive models and mind-blowing presentations to spread awareness about raging global issues, sharing knowledge to the visitors to engage with the wonders of our universe and the advancement of technology.

The rooms had intriguing displays on various innovative ideas and fun games for the kids to enjoy. The pupils presented with confidence showcasing their amazing skills and knowledge. Numerous objectives were exhibited to ensure a safe and happy life for generations to come.

One cannot help but marvel at the ingenuity on display, as ingenious inventions and experimental prototypes demonstrate the boundless potential of human creativity. From renewable energy solutions to safety gadgets, Science-N-Fun showcases the innovative spirit that drives progress and shapes the world of tomorrow.

Our exhibition was not only to share knowledge but also for acknowledging the hard work and dedication of many scientists and inspire the next generation of explorers to open the doors to the secrets of this world.

- by Keya Menon (Gr. 7)

LESSONS FROM HISTORY

Phrygia was a kingdom situated in today's Turkey. According to Phrygian tradition, there was a wagon situated at the Temple of Zeus that once belonged to Gordius, the father of the famous King Midas.

Gordius was a poor farmer who one day entered Phrygia with his wife on his ox cart. An oracle had predicted that the new king of Phrygia would arrive on a wagon. When Gordius was seen, the Phrygians assumed he was the man to whom they oracle had referred, riding in on his ox cart. Hence, they made him king.

Deeply humbled at being declared king, Gordius' son Midas dedicated the ox cart to the Temple of Zeus and tied it with a complicated knot with its end hidden. According to Ancient Greek historian Arrian, the Gordian Knot was "several knots all so tightly entangled that it was impossible to see how they were fastened."

Another oracle had declared that the man who could unravel its elaborate knots was destined to become ruler of all of Asia. Many tried but failed miserably. In 333 BC, Alexander the Great, on his march through Anatolia, reached Gordium, the capital of Phrygia. He tried to figure out how to undo the knot but he could not see where the ends of the rope were. Finally, he decided that it did not matter how the knot was untied, only that it was. So, he drew his sword and slashed the knot in half with the sword. As he did go on to conquer Asia, it can be said that the prophecy was fulfilled.

The Gordian Knot has since become a metaphor for confronting and solving seemingly insurmountable challenges with boldness and creativity. Its significance lies in its reminder that sometimes, the most effective solutions require breaking from tradition and thinking unconventionally.



So, whenever you face a tricky problem, remember the Gordian Knot and don't be afraid to think outside the box!

Sudoku Solution for Issue 3

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The Bakery

It was a chilly winter morning. Great gusts of wind felt like great knives against my skin as I hobbled through the snow. The frosty white magic marked its presence to the delight of young, merry children and holiday shoppers.

They were all excited about only one thing: the opening of the new bakery, Le Gateau Magnifique. All week long the air was infused with delicious warm wafts, scented with the creamiest fluffiest, sweetest creations imaginable. It was rumoured that the bakery sold items from all around the world. People from all around the world visited this elegant bakery, and its franchise spread from France to our very own town!

It was August 4th, 2017. The chief manager cut the ribbon as a swarm of hungry customers trampled on one another, pushing and pulling to greet the vast array of delicious delicacies sitting patiently, waiting to be eaten. As the crowd rushed in, they saw the bakery lit with every single desert imaginable! Lemon – cream pies rocked the shelf, crusty crepes darted in and out jauntily cakes, up and down the shelves, sizzling hot toast prided themselves for their crispiness, Blackberry currants wove in and out of the jars, raspberry crumpets were snatched away the moment they were placed on the counter. There was a whirl of tarts, donuts, muffins, cupcakes, buns, cream puffs, puddings, cinnamon rolls, pretzels, bagels, cookies, croissants, and oh, what a delight!

The bakery itself was a delightful place. Great wafts of aroma from the kitchen pronounced the savoury sweetness of succulent goods. It was accompanied with a grand furnace, which even the mayor loved! The room was lit with a warm golden, and a giant Christmas tree decked the hallway. A star-studded sight of a memorable pattern of baubles draped the hall. Customers made haste to give the chef their compliments for the new Turkish Delight. The mayor stood up and announced, “This bakery is going to stay for a grand old age!”

- by Aaliya Maredia, Grade 6A

The Seaside

Swish! Swish! The sounds of the crystal-clear waves were heard intermittently. The sun was setting over the silver horizon, and the sand felt like soft pillows beneath my feet. The azure water filled me with peace and relaxation.

In the distance, the air carried squeals of laughter from children swimming in the frothy water. Some were busy making sandcastles while others playfully chased each other, the wind whipping through their hair, glee evident on their rosy faces. An adorable toddler was happily collecting delicate seashells, oblivious to what was happening around him.

Teenagers were drawn by the aroma of frosty juices and delicious corn cobs. The main attraction was the ice-cream stall. However, the queue was as long as a train. Every once in a while, the chirping of the birds and the shrill cry of the seagulls could be heard, their cries sweet music to my ears. Adults chatted with each other, leisurely relaxing on mats and decks lined on the beach.

As the sun bid adieu, dipping into the phosphorescent sea, countless bright stars revealed themselves, shimmering in the velvet sky. The ivory-white moon glistened high up in the sky, smiling down at the world. Gradually, the crowds started dwindling, finally turning into a trickle. Soon, the beach was quiet and calm, all to itself in its splendour and glory.

- by Mahi Sheth, Grade 7

My Shirdi Trip

We had planned a trip to Shirdi, which is also known as the place where Sai Baba took his Samadhi. The day we left was MahaShivratri. We took a travel bus from Sandilya. It took us a long time to reach there, so we had our breakfast there itself.

When we arrived, we all went to our rooms to freshen up. I had room 202. It was a busy day with a packed schedule. First, we prayed to Lord Sai Baba, and then we prayed to Lord Shiva. The next day we had to leave, so we ate a healthy breakfast and drank a McFlurry, (whipped, soft serve vanilla-flavoured ice cream) and set off on our journey.

We sat in the luxury bus, and since we assumed it will be a long journey, we had decided to have our lunch outside. Later we watched the famous movie, “Andaz Apna Apna”. Finally, we reached home. I think the world should be more like Shirdi, because it is neat and clean, and has a divine culture. I also learnt a lesson that if you did take efforts and did your work sincerely, people will not forget you- your efforts will not lose their value.

Glossary: Samadhi- When religious people like gurus and Rishi munis die by their own wish, it is called a taking Samadhi

- by Neelabh Jha, PYP 3

Unsolved Mysteries

Have you ever stopped to wonder just how much of the world have we discovered? The answer is simple yet somehow complex enough to send people into a frenzy: we've barely scratched the surface. So, put on your thinking caps on and let's try to figure out what on earth is going on with these tales (I guarantee you, these stories aren't fiction).



1. The Voynich Manuscript

I know this is going to sound like something the Grimm brothers made up but believe me- this is reality (who knew it could be so interesting!) The Voynich Manuscript is named after Polish American antiquarian bookseller Wilfrid M. Voynich, who acquired it in 1912. This is a 240-page book written in an entirely foreign language or script. The document's colourful illustrations of bizarre diagrams and plants that don't seem to belong to any recognised species are also prominent throughout its pages, which increases the document's mystique and makes it harder to figure out. Although the manuscript's original author remains unknown, carbon dating has shown that its pages were filled in between 1404 and 1438. Some say it's "the world's most cryptic manuscript." All the historians however seem to agree that this manuscript isn't a hoax- considering how much time, money and detail was put into making it. What do you think? Does it belong to an alchemist who wrote it in gibberish, so that no one would steal his work, or an alien species who accidentally dropped it on Earth?

2. Ley Lines

Okay, this mystery is a tad bit overwhelming, but I promise- it is very intriguing. Ley lines are lines that are traced straight between significant landmarks, historic buildings, and prehistoric locations. The concept originated in Europe in the early 20th century, with advocates of ley lines opposing that prehistoric people were aware of these alignments and purposefully built structures along them. It has been widely held since the 1960s by believers of the Earth Mysteries movement and other traditions that these ley lines mark "earth energies" and act as navigational aids for extra-terrestrial spacecraft. Ley lines are considered instances of pseudoscience and pseudoarchaeology by scientists and archaeologists. So basically- ley lines are lines that aliens could have used to land their ships on Earth- which is so cool but sadly is just a theory (I'm mad- this should be real)

3. The Nine Unknown Men of Ashoka (Illuminati)

There are very few people on Earth don't know about the Great Emperor Ashoka; but to refresh your knowledge: The bravest king and conqueror to have ever set foot on Indian soil was Emperor Ashoka. Legend has it that he became a monk after his encounter with Lord Buddha.

One mystery that continues to fascinate historians and commoners alike is Ashoka's 'Nine Warriors' who he assembled in 273 BC following a bloody war in which 100,000 men lost their lives. Each of these men possessed a book containing knowledge which had the power to build and destroy nations. These books contained studies on microbiology, propaganda and psychological warfare, physiology, alchemy, communication with extra-terrestrials (this might prove the ley lines theory!), cosmology, light, gravitation and sociology. Where these books went; we've got no idea. It's incredible how information the modern world hasn't fully comprehended, was understood by Sapiens in 268-232 BCE! These mysteries aren't even a fraction of the number that have inhabited this planet and for every new mystery solved- 1000 more are uncovered. Perhaps one day we will find out answers, but in the meanwhile- let's put forth our theories and ponder about this mystical and magical world.

- by Anvita Deulgaonkar & Divina Kanchan (Gr.9)

Spot the 5 differences - solution for issue 3



Awards & Accolades

AGS congratulates all our students for making us proud once again!



Rotating trophies were given to **Yug Shah** from Grade 7 and **Anaaya Doshi** from Grade 6 from the secondary section for the best athletes for the academic year 2023-24.

Jiaan Jain

from K2 for winning 3 bronze medals in Skating at Endurance National Level Skating Competition.

Rotating Trophies were given to **Viaan Dande** from PYP 4B and **Suparna Gaiwad** from the Primary for best athletes for the academic year 2023-24.



Yanvi Golwala
from K2 for winning 2nd prize in Skating at Namu Khel Mahotsav 2024.



Dhiaan Mistry
from PYP 4B for awards as best fielder & runner up trophy & medal as captain in the MCF Cricket Tournament.



Pratham Advani
from K2 for displaying Star performance in Crest English and Math Olympiad.



Anvita Deulgaonkar
from Grade 9 for clearing the Israeli Military Technique of Self Defence Krav Maga's Level 2 Exam.



Yug Shah
from Grade 7 for securing 3rd position in Mental Math Competition by Global Math Science Education- Singapore.



Kulveer Pania
from K2 for winning the bronze medal (3rd position) in Mira Bhayander Road Race- Speed Skating Championship.

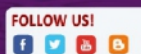


Tanishka Gupta
from Grade 6 for securing 10th position in Mental Math Competition 2023 organised by Global Math Science Education-Singapore.



Viaan Dande
from PYP 4B was felicitated for 2 hours non-stop skating organised by Seva Foundation.

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