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TOMORROW IS IN TODAY'S HANDS!

The Children of today will be adults of tomorrow. Today's leaders and activists, Remember this ! Their quality and personality will determine the kind of destiny that beckons the nation.

It, therefore, becomes mandatory for every nation and every society to nurture strong, healthy and intellectual children. It is the responsibility of the adults to direct the youth in desired direction. The children of a nation are its power-house.

They have boundless stores of energy, will, capability, zeal, enthusiasm and have the power to mould the destiny of the nation. This infinite storehouse of energy has to be properly moulded and needs to be given appropriate direction. The children have to train to use their talents in the appropriate direction. Quest is a unique way of achieving the this objective.

Happy reading!



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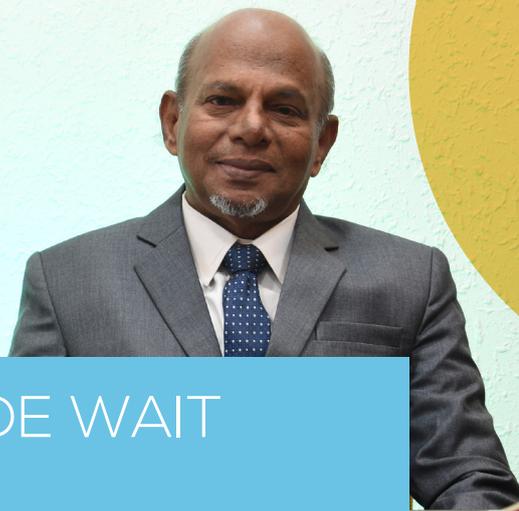
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TIME MANAGEMENT



“TIME AND TIDE WAIT FOR NONE”

VICE PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

WHAT IS TIME MANAGEMENT?

Time Management is the process of organizing and planning how to divide our time between different activities in order to increase effectiveness, efficiency and productivity in our day to day activities as well as to achieve our life time goals.

How much time do we have?

The average life span in the world is 71 years at present. That means an average person has at his disposal,
2 5 9 1 5 – days
6 2 1 9 6 0 – hours
3 7 3 1 7 6 0 0 – minutes
2 2 3 9 8 5 6 0 0 0 - seconds

So we can never complain that we don't have enough time. Of course 30% of our time is spent on sleep. Are we using the rest of the 70% of time usefully?

WHAT SHOULD WE DO TO MANAGE OUR TIME EFFECTIVELY?

Have a Purpose :

Every one of us should have a purpose to life for. Without any aim or goal we would be like a rudderless ship wandering the ocean never to reach the shore.

Plan your activities :

Planning includes fixing priorities, forecasting the future and taking steps to achieve our targets well in advance. For instance, if you have to travel to Chennai by train for your holidays, you have to book your tickets three months in advance. You can save lot of time and tension in the last minute. Many airline companies offer cheaper air fare if you book months in advance. You save time and money. Similarly students have to get ready with books and uniform the previous night so that they don't waste time searching for them the next morning.

Organise yourself :

'Life truly begins after you have kept your house in order'.

How much time do we waste searching for keys, mobile phones, spectacles, books and even a comb just because we had not put them back in their respective places. In this connection I would like to refer to the Japanese 'KonMari' method of organizing and tidying your room or house or office by removing unnecessary objects and arranging things in proper order and in their proper places. This would save lot of our time.

WHAT NOT TO DO IN TIME MANAGEMENT?

Procrastination :

'Procrastination is the Thief of Time'.

To procrastinate means to postpone an activity which could be done now itself. Students generally postpone their homework, assignments, projects and preparation for tests and examinations. They suddenly wake up just one day before the deadline and rush up with their work making lot of mistakes. This is called 'burning the midnight oil'. This amounts to waste of time. You must always live 'Here and Now'.

Don't be Reactive – Be proactive :

To be reactive means that you respond to situations you are forced to be in or created by others. You thus waste your precious time. On the other hand to be proactive means that you create your own situations and you are the master. You will be able to accomplish much more in the short time available.

'Better to be three hours too early than a minute late' - Shakespeare (English playwright)

**MR. B. EDWARD JOSEPH
VICE – PRINCIPAL.**



“PEOPLE DON’T
PLAN TO FAIL
THEY FAIL TO PLAN”
JOHN L. BECKLEY.

MONEY MAKES MONEY

FROM VICE-PRINCIPAL'S DESK PRIMARY

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IMPORTANCE OF FINANCIAL PLANNING

Money may not be the most important thing in life. Nevertheless, it is still important. Every single revolves around money, from the time we open our eyes till the time we go to bed (and even while we are asleep). If only money grows on trees, then financial planning would not be such a headache, would it?

Financial planning is a systematic way of organizing our financial affairs in the most effective and efficient manner in order to achieve our life goals, a key for success.

Sense of Direction In Life: Through proper financial planning, we can look at what is more important and meaningful to us. Then we can organize effectively our finances and our lives around those things so that we do not end up on the wrong wall.

Understanding Sacrifices: Though our wants are infinite, unfortunately, our resources are finite. Financial planning would help us realize and understand that in life, there is always sacrifice to be made. If we really want to achieve our important goals, we need to exercise Delayed Gratification and able to distinguish between needs and wants. We are better prepared to face these challenges in life if we have done proper financial planning and budgeting

Remember, Wealth creation is not a sprint but a marathon for it takes time, discipline and a lot of financial stamina. With the help of a qualified investment advisor, we can select the most appropriate investments that suit our risk appetite to achieve our desired goals.

Enriching Our Lives: Financial Planning does not merely enrich us financially but also physically, emotionally and mentally. Without the financial stress. We will able to focus on other important aspects of our lives like our health, our relationship with family and friends and devoting our time to other charitable causes.

Security: Through proper risk management and insurance planning. We will be able to provide our loved ones and ourselves with total peace of mind while we go about living out lives and building our wealth. Success That's exactly what financial planning aims to achieve- helping us realize our life goals. Our goals should not be just having a lot of money in our bank accounts but rather what can money do for us.

**MRS. SANGEETHA B
VICE PRINCIPAL**



“LIFE IS WHAT HAPPENS WHILE YOUR MOBILE PHONE IS CHARGING ALONE.”

ADMINISTRATOR'S MESSAGE

Dear friends,

The usage of mobile phones has become inevitable now a days. Though it helps us in many ways, it is sad that many people become addicted to it. It is almost like drugs. Without mobile phone, one can't imagine a life. Whether it is young or old, children or teenagers, mobile phone has become part and parcel of our life. One can live without friends or even without family members but not without a mobile. But the fact remains that family members and friends encounter lot of problems because of the mobile phone. It is for the individual to decide whether to use it or not.

Education is important in a student's life whether before the pandemic, during the pandemic or after the pandemic. It is true that the pandemic has made lots of changes in the behaviour of the students. During the pandemic, many parents bought the mobile and gave it to their children so that they can attend the online classes and use it only for educational purpose. It became a useful gadget in the hands of the students. It works wonders when it is used in the proper way. It provides a link between the students, parents, friends and teachers. It plays an important role in the safety of children.

At the same time, the mobile phone is misused, over used and abused. For example, the number of cyber crimes in Tamil Nadu went upto 1076 cases during 2020-2021. Mobile phones are used for all destructive purposes. As responsible parents and teachers, we need to educate and create awareness among the children to use the mobile phones only for good and productive purposes. We need to assure that children use it only for educational purpose. Parents can fix time limit and assure that children use it in their presence. Parents should first of all set an example by not using the mobile phone in front of children.

Frequent use of mobile phone not only affects the mental health but also physical health of children. We have come to a point where we can't avoid using the mobile phone or other electronic gadgets. So the best way out of this is to teach the children and convince them of the dangers of over use. Parents sometimes get angry and go to the extent of breaking the phone and beating their children but it is not the ultimate solution. On the other hand, we should teach them how to, when to, for what to, where to and why to use the mobile phones which is one of most wonderful inventions of mankind. With love and prayer.

Bro. Yesu Thasan, CSC - Administrator.

OUR SCHOOL LAST MONTH

School Activities in October

AYUDHA PUJA CELEBRATION :

Ayudha Puja was celebrated in our school presided over by Bro. Yesu Thasan CSC, Administrator. The buses and other vehicles were blessed by Fr. Antonysamy OFM in the presence of all the drivers and conductors.

MOTIVATION SEMINARS :

Motivation seminars were conducted for the students of IX, X, XI and XII on 13.10.22 and 28.10.22 organised by the Motivation Camp and career Guidance committee headed by Mr. A. R. Muralidharan. Dr. Babu Rangarajan. M. Sc. (Psy) M. Phil. (Psy), MFNLP (USA) was the resource person. The seminar was on study methodology and career guidance.

ESSAY AND DRAWING COMPETITION :

The Police Department of Tamil Nadu conducted an essay and a drawing competition for the students on 13.10.2022 on the importance of police and service rendered by the police to the public.

INTRA SCHOOL KALOTHSAV :

Intra school Kalothsav competitions for the students of L.K.G and U.K.G. in Dance, Instrumental Music, Drawing, English and Tamil Recitation, Picture Talk, English and Tamil Elocution and Story Telling was conducted from 14.10.2022 to 18.10.2022.

HOLY EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATION :

Holy Mass was celebrated on 14th October in the Bathija Hall. Fr Austin Joy, MSFS, Parish Priest of Udayapatty, celebrated the mass and gave an inspiring homily.

REVENUE DISTRICT COMPETITIONS :

Salem Revenue District Level Badminton and Table Tennis Competitions were held in our school on 19.10.2022 under the guidance of our PET teachers. Our school won under 14 singles title in Table Tennis. Under – 17 Singles and Doubles runners in Badminton.

RESULT IN NUMBERS

Singles winner and Doubles third place in Table Tennis under - 17.
Singles and Doubles Runner in Badminton under – 17.
Singles and Doubles winner in Table Tennis under – 19.
Doubles winner in badminton under - 19.

SCIENCE OLYMPIAD :

The Science Club of the school conducted Science Olympiad on 18.10.2022 for the students of VI to IX under the mentorship of Science Club Directors Mr. Vijay Joseph and Mr. George Jose .

MATHS OLYMPIAD :

The Maths club of the school under the mentorship of Maths Club Directors Mr. Dilipkumar and Mr. Nirmalkumar conducted Maths Olympiad on 20.10.2022. It was the first time that the students of lower classes had the opportunity to answer in OMR sheets.

DEEPAVALI CELEBRATION :

The students and teachers of the Primary School along with CBSE students and teachers celebrated the Deepavali on 21.10.2022. Mr. Jaya Murugan, the Principal and Correspondent of Jay Matriculation Higher Secondary School, Salem and also Past President of OBA, was the Chief Guest. He spoke about the significance of Deepavali festival. Students exhibited their talents in performing skit, Debate, Dance, Speech and Talent Show.



BEST BEANS COFFEE BEAN & MR. BEAN

WORLD COFFEE DAY

World Coffee Day is celebrated on 1st October every year. Coffee is the world's most favourite beverage consumed by over one billion people. An average of 2.25 billion coffee cups are consumed each day worldwide.

Coffee Producing Countries :

Brazil is the leading producer with 40% of World's coffee production. The other important producers are Vietnam, Columbia, Indonesia, Ethiopia, Honduras, India, Uganda, Mexico and Peru. In India, coffee is grown in Chickmagalur, Hassan and Coorg in Karnataka, Nilgiris, Kodaikanal and Yercaud in Tamil Nadu and also in Kerala.

Coffee Consuming Countries :

According to percapita (per person) coffee consumption, Finland is the most coffee addict country. It is followed by Norway, Iceland, Denmark, Netherlands, Sweden, Switzerland, Belgium and Luxembourg.

According to the total quantity of coffee consumed, Brazil leads the table

Varieties of Coffee Beans

Arabica, Robusta, Liberica, Excelsa Kopi Luwak is considered to be the most expensive coffee. It is grown in Indonesia.

Multinational Coffee Houses :

Nescafe : It is a product of Nestle company based in Switzerland.

Starbucks, Costa coffee, Dunkin Donuts, Mc Café, Maxwell House, Folgers

Best coffee chains in India :

Café Coffee Day, Indian Coffee House, Barista Café Costa Coffee, Brewberry's Coffee. International Coffee Organization (ICO) was set up in 1963 in London. It promotes and regulates coffee trade.

**Abishek Murali – 11-B
Joint Language Secretary,
(Students Council)**



POEM ABOUT CORRUPTION

Corruption, Corruption, Corruption
It is now a profession
It is spreading like an infection
Needs instant cure and medication
It works like a termite
Eating everything day and night
It is a malicious cancer
Deep rooted, posing a danger
We only talk and enquire
That also with no true desire
We hardly raise our voice
As if we have no choice
Root cause are 'we'
Not they, he or she
Let's pledge to fight
To erode this termite.....!

RIDDLE

1. People make me, save me, change me, raise me What am I?
2. What breaks yet never falls and what falls yet never breaks?
3. What goes through cities and fields, but never moves?
4. I have lakes with no water, mountains with no stone and cities with no buildings What am I?
5. What kind of band never plays music?
6. What has one head, one foot and four legs?
7. What has hands, but can't clap?

ANSWERS

Money
Day and Night
A road
A map
A rubber band
A bed
A clock

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SMILE IS CONTAGIOUS

WORLD SMILE DAY

We all love to keep smiling. The stress in our life can be removed with a simple smile. It's even better when you become a reason for some else to smile. This is what 'World Smile Day' is all about. World Smile Day is celebrated on the first Friday of October every year. This year it is being celebrated on October 7th. The Theme of World Smile Day 2022 is "Do an act of kindness, Help one person smile." The day was created by commercial artist Harvey Ball. Harvey made the smiley face that we all know today in the year 1963. The first World Smile Day was celebrated in 1999. Harvey thought that everyone should devote one day every year to smiles and kind acts throughout the world. After Harvey died in 2001, "The Harvey Ball World Smile Foundation" was created to honour his name and memory. This day is dedicated to all smiles with individuals encouraging each other to act kind and make others smile.

Importance of smile :

Smile is a gesture, a feeling and a reaction that the brain releases to release stress. Smiling acts as a therapy that improves our lives in many ways. When we smile, our smiling muscles contract, they send a signal back to the brain, stimulating our reward system and further increasing our level of happy hormones or endorphins. When our brain feels happy we smile ; when we smile our brain feels happy. It can lengthen our life span. Smiling is contagious. When you smile at a person, he also smiles. Honduras in Central America has been listed as the most smile filled country according to Global Emotional Survey. So 'When you see someone

without a smile, Give him one of yours'. 'There are hundreds of languages around the world but a smile speaks them all'

ADHITHYA J -11-C



MODEL UNITED NATIONS (MUN)

If you're reading this article, you're about to embark on a life changing journey that will help you to develop of your confidence in leading and to have a stronger awareness about global issues. The First Model UN Conference was held at Swarthmore College, Pennsylvania, USA on 5th April 1947.

How MUN Impacts :

MUN is an educational simulation in which students learn about diplomacy, international relationships and mainly about United Nations. In MUN, a student participates as a delegate of a UN member state, an organization or a person and can simulate MUN committees. By participating in a Model UN conference, a student's mind is cultivated to think and research on different topics. MUN is all about debating and concluding with a resolution for the topic being debated. MUN doesn't have any governing bodies and its methodology varies from place to place. But in general, it was derived from Robert's Rules of Order for United Nations. Based on that, we have created a set of methodology for our Holy Cross Model United Nations. Link - 1 (DH - own) MUN teaches the participants skills like research,

public speaking, debating, writing, critical thinking, team work and leadership. We can understand that by reading this article you can understand what is MUN all about. To get more understanding you should know about Debates, Dellegates, Caucuses, Flow of Debates and Resolutions. To know about it click this link below. Link - 2 (DH - BDH.com). Also please do watch this video Link - 3 (video BDH.com)

In short MUN is FUN.
By evolving MUNer's

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A TEST THAT TESTS US

PUBLIC EXAMINATION (AN EXPERIENCE)

Got trained for four months straight,
To face the most unskippable fate.
Public examination its name was,
Intense preparations caused hair loss.
Almost lost my appetite,
As the schedule was very tight.
Full portion tests were like an incentive
To make the final score more attractive.
May 6th – May 30th was like a long run,
As we literally had zero fun,
The time was elapsing in a turtle's pace,
After that we had pleasurable holidays.

Gokul D
Joint Sports Secretary
Student Council



SIGNIFICANCE OF HANDWRITING

Law of Marks : The marks you score are directly proportional to your handwriting This law is applicable only 'if you feel that your answers are right) Mastering good handwriting might be a herculean task, But, a neat handwriting is what the paper evaluators ask. Indeed it is important to cover – up yours silly mistakes, Bad handwriting keeps your answers at stake.

“You cannot master it in one day, But one day you will master it”. This is what the philosophers say, Believe & follow it, after that one day your marks will be lit. “An exam paper can't decide my future quality,” This is what the bullies say But, this dogma does not work in reality As good marks keep college donations at bay. If all your answers are right But your marks are so bright Don't be sad & don't start mourning, Improve your handwriting and you'll see the results changing

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Joint Sports Secretary
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LIMITLESS....

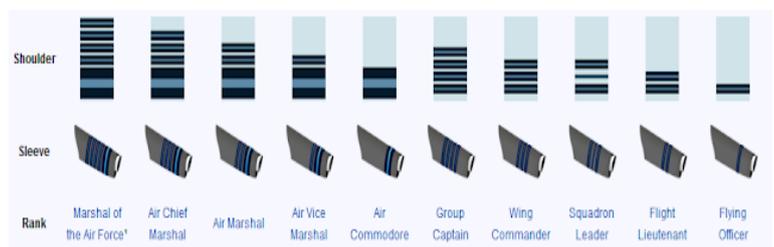


INDIAN AIR FORCE DAY

The Nation celebrated 90th Air Force Day on 8th October. It was on this day that the Indian Air Force was established in British India under the name Royal Indian Air Force. Air Vice Chief Marshal Cecil Bouchier was the first Chief of the Royal Indian Air Force. When India became a Republic on 26th January 1950, the prefix 'Royal' was dropped. The present Chief of Air Staff (CAS) is Air Chief Marshal Vivek Ram Choudhary. The motto of Indian Air Force is 'Touch the skies with Glory' (Nabhah Sparsam Diptam in Sanskrit taken from Bhagavad Gita).

The display wing of the Indian Air Force is known as 'Suriya Kiran'.

[Air Force badges in order of rank]



There are seven commands in the IAF.

The IAF is the fourth largest air force in the world after U.S.A., Russia and China.

AKASH – 11-C



TOUCH THE SKY
WITH GLORY

WORLD POSTAL DAY

World Postal Day is celebrated every year on 9th October in commemoration of the founding of Universal Postal Union on this day in 1974. The UPU is the second oldest international organization in the world after the International Telecommunication Union founded in 1865. In India, the National Postal Day is celebrated on 10th October and the Postal Week from 9th October to 16th October.

Interesting facts about the Postal system

The Head Quarters of Universal Postal Union (UPU) is at Berne, Switzerland. UPU has 192 member countries in the world. The Oldest Post Office is Sanquhar Post Office in Scotland established in 1712. The Oldest Post Office in India was established in Kolkata in 1727. The Highest Post Office in the world is at Hikkim in Himachal Pradesh at an altitude of 14,567 feet. Indian Postal Network is the largest in the world with about 1,57,000 post offices. The only Indian Post Office outside India is at Dakshin Gangotri in Antarctica continent. The First Postage Stamp was the Penny Black. The Father of Postage Stamps is Sir Rowland Hill of England. The First Postage Stamp of India was Scinde Dawk. Lord Dalhousie introduced the Post and Telegraph service in India. The first Postal ATM was established in Chennai. The Postal Staff College is located at Ghaziabad in U. P.

Pavithran 11 B
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अंतरराष्ट्रीय बालिका दिवस(International Girl Child day)

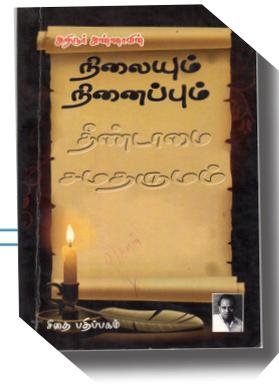
अंतरराष्ट्रीय बालिका दिवस हर साल 11 अक्टूबर में मनाया जाता है। इस दिन को मनाने का मूल कारण यह है कि बालिकाओं के सामने आनेवाली चुनौतियों और उनके अधिकारों के संरक्षण के बारे में जागरूकता बढ़ाना है। पहले जमाने में बाल विवाह प्रथा, दहेज प्रथा जैसे रूढ़िवादि प्रथायें के कारण बालिकाओं को शिक्षा और अन्य अधिकार नहीं दिया गया।

आजकल बालिकाओं के सभी बंचित अधिकारों को देने के लिए भारत सरकार भी बढचढकर काम कर रही है। कई योजनाएं भी लागू की जा रही हैं। अंतरराष्ट्रीय बालिका दिवस 2012 में शुरू की गयी थी। आज ज्यादातर लडकियाँ स्कूल जा रही हैं। पढाई पूरी कर रही हैं। गैरियर पर ध्यान दे रही हैं। कम उम में विवाह नहीं हो रहा है। आत्मसम्मान बढ रही है। लडकियाँ अब साबित कर रही हैं कि उनको कोई नहीं रोक सकता। कई क्षेत्रों में बालिकाएँ अपने को साबित कर रही हैं और भविष्य में भी साबित करते रहेंगी। अंतरराष्ट्रीय बालिका दिवस 2022 की थीम यह है -

"अब हमारा समय है - हमारे अधिकार, हमारा भविष्य है।"

(Our Time is now – Our Rights, Our Future – Theme 2022)

एस. बालकृष्णन, हिन्दी अध्यापक



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அறிஞர் அண்ணாவின்
-நிலையும் நினைப்பும்-

தாய்மொழியாம், அன்னைத் தமிழ்மொழியில் எண்ணிலடங்கா நூல்கள் வெளிவந்துள்ளன. அவற்றுள் நான் படித்து மகிழ்ந்தது மிகச்சில மட்டுமே. அதிலும் என்னுள் பொரிய தாக்கத்தை ஏற்படுத்தியது அறிஞர் அண்ணாவின் நூலான “நிலையும் நினைப்பும்”. இந்நூலுக்கான மதிப்புரையை இங்கு வழங்குகின்றேன். அறிஞர் அண்ணாவின் சிறப்பான சொற்பொழிவுகளின் தொகுப்பே இந்நூல் ஆகும். இந்நூல் ஒருவருக்கொருவர் பேசிக்கொள்வது போல் மொழிநடையில் வாசிப்போர் மனதைக் கவருகின்றது. மனிதநேயம், தீண்டாமை, சமதருமம் மற்றும் பல சமுதாய நலக்குறிப்புகளை உள்ளடக்கிய நூலாக இந்தப் படைப்பு விளங்குகிறது. இந்நூலை வாசிப்போர் அனைவரின் உள்ளத்திலும் நல்ல தாக்கத்தை ஏற்படுத்துகின்றது. இந்த நூலின் கட்டமைப்பு மற்றும் அச்சுக்கோர்ப்பு, நேர்த்தியாகவும் பாராட்டுவதற்கும் உரியதாய் இருக்கின்றது. இந்நூல் கைக்கு அடக்கமாகவும் பயன்கொள்ள சிறிய வடிவிலான நூலாகவும் இருக்கின்றது. இந்நூலின் அச்சு எழுத்துகள் வயதான முதியவர்களுக்கும் தெரியும் வகையில் பொரிதாக அமைந்துள்ளது. பல கவிஞர்களின் கவிதைகளை மேற்கோள்காட்டி ஒரு கருத்தை புரிய வைப்பது இந்நூலின் சிறப்பாகும். எடுத்துக்காட்டாக பாவேந்தர் பாரதிதாசன் எழுதிய ஒரு கவிதையை இந்நூல் மேற்கோள் காட்டி இருக்கிறது. “இருட்டறையில் உள்ளதா உலகம் சாதி இருக்கின்ற தென்பானும் இருக்கின்ற றானே”....

நான் படித்த இந்நூலை இப்புதியில் வாழும் அனைவரும், குறிப்பாக மாணவர்கள் அனைவரும் படித்துப் பயன்பெற முயற்சிக்க வேண்டும் என நான் எண்ணுகின்றேன்.

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WHY CAN'T YOU? CHAPTER: 1

“Why did I drop out of College”

It started before I was born My biological mother was a young, unwed graduate student and she decided to put me up for adoption. She felt very strongly that I should be adopted by college graduates. So everything was all set for me to be adopted at birth by a lawyer and his wife. Except that when I popped out they decided at the last minute that they really wanted a girl. So my parents were on a waiting list. They got a call in the middle of the night asking, “You have got an unexpected baby boy Do you want him?” They said, “of course”. My biological mother found out later that my mother had never graduated from college and that my father had never graduated from high school. She refused to sign the final adoption papers. She only agreed a few months later when my parents promised that I would go to college. This was the start of my life.

And 17 years later, I did go to college but I purposely chose a college that was almost as expensive as Stanford and all my working class parent's savings were being spent on my college tuition. After six months, I couldn't see the value in it. I had no idea what I wanted to do with my life and no idea how college was going to help me figure it out. And here I was spending all of the money my parents had saved their entire life. So I decided to drop out. It was pretty scary at the time, but looking back, it was one of the best decisions I ever made. The minute I dropped out, I could stop taking the required classes that didn't interest me and I began dropping in on the ones that looked far more interesting. It wasn't all romantic. I didn't have a dorm room. So I slept on the floor in friend's room. I returned coke bottles for the 0.05 dollars to buy food with. I walked 7 miles across the town every Sunday night to get one good meal a week at the Hare Krishna temple. I loved it. And much of what I stumbled into by following my curiosity and intuition turned out to be priceless later on.....

(to be continued)

Could you guess, who am I?

Please stay tuned until the next edition releases.

**Mr. R. PATRICK,
COMMERCE DEPT.**



RIDDLES TO SOLVE :

I'm tall when I'm young, and I'm short when I'm old. What am I? **A candle**

What is full of holes but still holds water?

A sponge

shave every day, but my beard stays the same.

What am I? **A barber**

What has many keys but can't open a lock?

A piano

If you've got me you want to share me, if you share me you haven't kept me. What am I?

A secret

It belongs to you but other people use it more than you do. What is it? **Your name**

What has a head and tail but no body?

A coin.

I am an odd number. Take away a letter and I become even. What number am I? **Seven .**

What four letter word can be written forward, backward, upside or down side, and can still be read from left to right? **Noon.**

The more you take, the more you leave behind. What are they? **Footsteps**



**Eahiya A – 11-C,
ASST. SCHOOL PUPIL
LEADER**



शब्द बनाएं [MAKE WORDS]

हर शब्द के साथ 'मान' होना जरूरी है। यहाँ 'मान' लिख दिया गया है। खाली जगहों में अक्षर

लिख कर शब्द बनाएं।

1. सूर्योदय से सूर्यास्त तक के समय का मान। - - मान
2. एक जैसा या बराबर। - मान
3. किसी भी क्षेत्र या दुनिया का नक्शा। मान- -
4. अतिथि सत्कार करने वाला। - - मान - -
5. एक मौसम जिस में भारत में वर्षा होती है। मान - -
6. किसी बात का गर्व या घमंड। - मान
7. आदर करने योग्य व्यक्ति। मान- -
8. जिस की उपमा दी जा सके। - - मान
9. के तारे तोड़ना - - मान
10. अंदाजा - - मान

उत्तर 10. अ, नु 9. आ,स 8.उ,प 7. नी,य 6.गु 5.सून 4.मे,ह,दा,र 3.चि,त्र 2.स 1.दि,न



QUIZ

Who was the first woman to win a Nobel Prize?
Marie Curie
Which planet is the hottest in the solar system?
Venus
Which is your body's longest organ?
The skin
Which American state is the largest (by area)?
Alaska
Which two countries share the longest international border?
Canada and the USA
Which is the smallest country in the world?
Vatican
Who designed the Sydney Opera House?
Jorn Utzon

Who has been the longest – serving monarch of the United Kingdom?
Queen Elizabeth -II
What vehicle is Volkswagen best known for?
The Beetle
Who has won the most number Academy Awards (Oscar)?
Walt Disney
Which country features a shipwreck on its national flag?
Bermuda

EAHIYA A – 11-C
ASST. SCHOOL PUPIL LEADER



UMBRELLA TERM

An umbrella term or hypernym is used to cover a broad category of things rather than a single specific item. People in various professions use umbrella terms. Umbrella words are used in various meanings. Umbrella terms usually differ from 'blanket terms' because the umbrella term gives a group of specific meanings and is expressed in many similar meanings, but blanket terms won't provide any specific details and information.

Now a days in this mortal world, people use the term umbrella in both professional and casual situations. For example, the word "Psychosis" is an umbrella term that shows various abnormal states of mind and conditions that make the patients lose contact with reality. Psychiatrists might refer this term in specific word as psychosis among themselves. Civilians refer this word as a mental health condition.

The term umbrella is also similarly used as intellectual property. Like an intangible property such as music, writing, and art. Many a times, the word umbrella is used as a brand. For example, 'Umbrella Company' and 'umbrella brand'. Even in the films, the word umbrella term is used. In the movie "Schindler's list" the little child character with red colour dress refers to the symbol of innocence that Jews were being slaughtered. Finally, I conclude that this term UMBRELLA covers a broad or multiple meanings that fall under a single term.

Mr. Remo Paul. A
English Dept.

U. N. O. DAY

United Nations Day is celebrated every year on 24th October by all the member countries.

FORMATIONS OF U. N. O. :

As the World War II was about to end in 1945, nations were in ruins and the world wanted peace. Representatives of 50 countries gathered in San Francisco U.S.A. in April 1945 and proceeded to draft a charter and finally on October 24, the UN Charter was signed which marked the birth of U.N.O. Now the U.N.O. has 193 members.

Headquarters : The UN Headquarters is situated in Turtle Bay, Manhattan, New York, USA. The official address is 10017, New York. The U. N Headquarters building was designed by Oscar Niemeyer and Le Corbusier. In front of the Headquarters, the flags of all the countries fly in alphabetical order starting with Afghanistan and ending with Zimbabwe.

Principal Organs of U. N. O. :

*UN General Assembly
UN Secretariat
International Court of Justice*

UN Security Council

UN Economic and Social Council

UN Flag : It was adopted on 7th December 1946. It has a blue background with UN emblem on it.

Official Languages : The six official languages of UNO are English, French, Arabic, Chinese, Russian and Spanish.

Interesting Facts : UN Peace Keepers are known as 'Blue Helmets'. First to speak in Hindi in UNO was Atal Bihari Vajpayee. First to speak in Tamil at UNO was Rajapakse of Srilanka. First woman President of General Assembly was Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit. First Indian musician to perform at UNO was the Carnatic musician, M. S. Subbulakshmi. UNO was awarded Nobel Peace Prize in 2001. The first Secretary General was Trygve Lie of Norway. The Current Secretary General is Antonio Guterres of Portugal

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रोचक तथ्य

- ऊँट की तीन पलकें होती हैं।
- हाथी ऐसा अकेला जानवर है जो कूद नहीं सकता।
- चीते का फर और त्वचा दोनों ही धारीदार होते हैं।
- केवल तोता और खरगोश ही बिना गरदन घुमाए पीछे देख सकते हैं।
- गोल्डफिश को अंधेरे कमरे में रखने पर इसका रंग सफेद हो जाता है।
- चूहों को पाँचवीं मंजिल से गिरने पर भी चोट नहीं लगती।
- गिलहरी जितनी तेजी से जमीन पर दौड़ती है उससे कहीं अधिक तेजी से पेड़ पर चढ़ सकती है।
- * गैंडे की नाक का सींग दरअसल घने बालों का एक गुच्छा है।
- मच्छर के 47 दाँत होते हैं।

MRS. V.SRIVIDYA.
DEPARTMENT OF HINDI



NATIONAL UNITY DAY

UNITY IS A CONQUERED STRENGTH.

The National Unity Day or the Rashtriya Ekta Diwas is celebrated every year on 31st October to commemorate the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, the first Deputy Prime Minister and Home Minister of India. Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel was a veteran freedom fighter who convinced 562 Princely States to join the Union of India immediately after independence. He was popularly called 'Iron Man of India'. He was given the title 'Sardar' during the Bardoli Satyagraha Movement which took place on 12th June 1928 in Gujarat.



Statue of Unity :

The statue of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, 182m tall, has been erected on the banks of Narmada River in Kevadiya Colony facing the Sardar Sarovar Dam, 100km southeast of the city of Vadodara (Baroda). It is the tallest statue in the world and a great tourist attraction. It is known as 'Statue of Unity'.

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WORLD STROKE DAY.

MEDICAL WORLD

World Stroke Day is observed on 29th October every year since 2006. It was on this day that the World Stroke Organization (WSO) was founded in 2006. This day was declared at the World Stroke Congress held in Vancouver, Canada under the Chairmanship of Dr. Vladimir Hachinski.

A Stroke is a medical condition which is caused by the blockage of blood flow into the brain causing brain cell's death.

Causes :

Sedentary life style without any exercise.

Lack of enough sleep.

High blood pressure.

High sugar levels.

Heavy intake of junk food.

Hereditary factors.

Symptoms :

The 'FAST' campaign is observed to spot strokes and give prompt treatment.

FAST stands for :

F - Face drooping

A - Arm weakness

S - Speech difficulty

T - Time to call.

There are mainly two types of stroke.

Ischemic stroke (blood clot in arteries leading to the brain)

Hemorrhagic stroke (rupture in the blood vessels of the brain)

Prevention methods :

A low fat, high fibre diet of vegetables, fruits and whole grains.

Regular exercise

Life style changes

India has 60% of the global stroke patients and is regarded as the 'Stroke Capital' of the world.

World Stroke Day campaign goodwill Ambassadors to India include cricketer and former Indian captain, Sunil Gavaskar.



DAWN ANDREW 11-G

OBA CORNER

I swear at the outset that this is the proudest moment in my life to write an article for the School Monthly Magazine.

***THE QUEST*.**

WHAT an apt title for the Magazine which symbolises rather it defines our purpose of being at School.

I'm a proud old Student of the School who grabbed a golden opportunity to be a councillor of the Old Boys Association, as it gives me a chance to reunite with School, rather a chance for me to enter the GATE WAY OF HEAVEN, in the form of HOLY CROSS for me.

I bow down to Mr. Edward Joseph, who was my English and Economics teacher and incredibly still going strong and carrying on his mammoth service to the School as a Great Tutor and who has mentored 1000s of Students.

He infact encouraged me to write a motivational article for the School, which I gladly accepted.

I humorously thought too. It's a task rather an examination by my School Master to write an assignment after 3 Decades and he is putting me to test now to see ,whether I learnt my lessons and how well I fare now.

Well, who am I to motivate you, I rather would swear ,I myself get motivated by seeing you guys in the arena of the School the few times I visited the School and even now I always sizzle, whenever I enter

THE GREAT INSTITUTION *THE HOLY CROSS*.

But, I write this, as someone who has touched the soil as a kid everyday of the school and breathed the air of Holy Cross, I will swear that you guys have landed by God's Grace in the right place for your, QUEST for Knowledge.

You kids must have listened to a lot of success stories of the people who passed out of Holy Cross in the

School Assembly and functions and I'm no mightier than most of those great people. Many live abroad and here as Great Engineers, Doctors, Professionals, Businessmen and what not even as Top Scientists.

My Advice rather Guidance for you, is that you little hearts should **CHERISH EVERY MOMENT YOU LIVE IN THE SCHOOL AND YOU LOVE WHAT YOU DO** and one day you will relive and recount and reel proud like me as a Student of **HOLY CROSS**.

And I never mean that one has to excel only in academics. To be honest, I was an average student academically but excelled in sports and thanks to late Mr. Mahimai Dass, who made me a House Captain and School Cricket Team Captain and through his blessings, I got into the District Cricket Team as an **UNDER 19**, opening bowler.

Why I say this, is just not to rave about me. Just a pointer that each and everyone has a talent rather a spark in him and I am sure **HOLY CROSS** has so many avenues, a platform you can launch your talent and the School will **IGNITE** the spark in you when you display it.

At this juncture, I will say that just being in School, it will naturally nurture some of your talents, and I would like to illustrate that with my experience. I always have been a musical enthusiast but never had a proper training to sing, but now I'm recognised as someone who can sing though not a professional but one who has a kind of a guts to sing now and then to please a few friends. I'll attribute this ability to sing to respected, Brother Madore, a fantastic human who taught us, and made us beleive that we could sing through the group singing sessions he held at School.

Thats it! There are great teachers and other co-ordinators in School for whom nothing will bring more happiness than seeing you **LITTLE BUDS BLOSSOM INTO A FLOWER AND BEAR FRUITS OF SUCCESS**, in your career and You Little Gems will adorn the Crown Of Holy Cross to keep it **SHINING** forever.

MR. C. RAJASEKAR.



There is a proverb,
**MAKE HAYWIRE WHEN THE SUN IS SHINING AND
NOW YOU ALL ARE LIVEWIRE WHO WILL PASS ON
THE CURRENT TO STRENGTHEN THE NATION.**

GALLERY - SEPTEMBER EVENTS [contd..]



FEEDBACKS

I was delighted to go through this wonderful monthly magazine Quest. All the articles are informative and inspiring. I encourage the students to participate in this endeavour and enhance their creativity. I congratulate the management and Editorial Board. The magazine has professional touch.

Mr. Viswanathan

IPP - OBA



What a fantastic effort by the school in bringing out such a wonderful monthly magazine. I was impressed by the depth of knowledge that the students have. I have learnt a lot of things by going through the articles. I appreciate the efforts of the school. May the magazine come out successful.

Mr. Ashish Chawla

OBA – President



Dear Holy Cross,

“A candle loses nothing by lighting another candle”

The “Quest”- School magazine imparts knowledge to students in the same way.

Quest is one of the best practices of Holy Cross. It improves the innovative thinking of the students in one way and improves their content writing skill in another way!

I extend my heartfelt thanks to the Editorial Board in particular and Holy Cross in general!

Dr. B Senthil
Assistant Professor of Commerce,
St. Joseph’s University,
Bengaluru.
Parent of S. Gokul 12-G



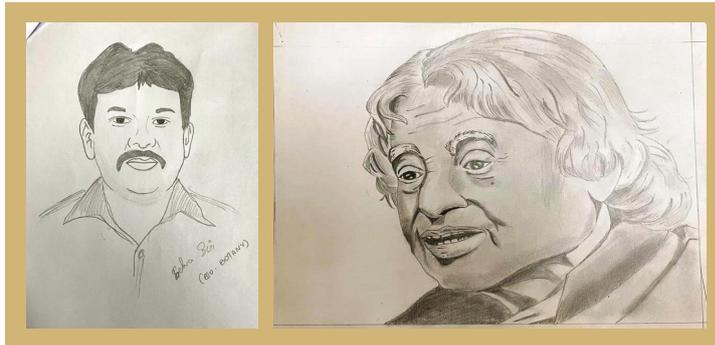
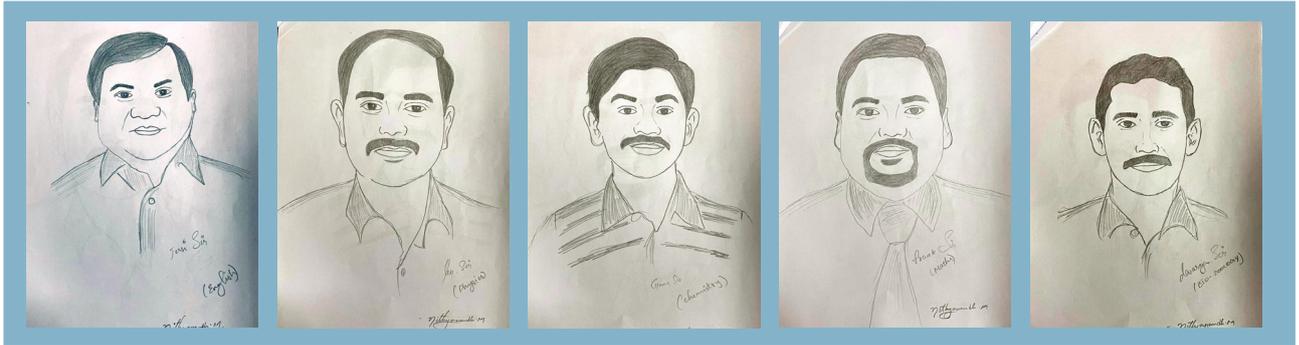
The students Quest Magazine has a lot of information about various national days and creates awareness towards a social cause. The efforts put into the making and creation of this quest is admirable. I appreciate the management for such an initiative.

Mrs. Roopini

M/o Sanjay Francis – 12-G



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இந்திய கடற்படை

இன்று உலகில் உள்ள நாடுகளின் இராணுவ படை பலத்தோடு ஒப்பிடுகையில் நம் இந்தியா முதன்மையான படைபலம் கொண்ட ஐந்து நாடுகளுள் ஒன்றாகத் திகழ்வது நமக்கெல்லாம் பெருமை ஆகும். அதிலும் நம் இந்திய கடற்படை உலகிலேயே ஏழாவது சக்திவாய்ந்த கடற்படையாகக் கருதப்படுகின்றது. இத்தகு சிறப்பு பெற்ற இந்தியக் கடற்படை பற்றி நாம் இங்கு அறிவோம். இந்திய கடற்படையின் கருதுகோள் :

வருண பகவான் அருள்புரிவாராக

“May the Lord of water be auspicious unto us”.

இந்திய கடற்படையின் நெடிய வரலாற்றுப் பின்னணி :- இந்தியத் திருநாட்டின் முப்படைகளுள் ஒன்றான கடற்படை நீண்ட நெடிய பாரம்பரியப் பெருமை மிக்க ஒன்றாகும். 1950 ஆம் ஆண்டு முதல் செயல்பட்டு வரும் நம் இந்தியகடற்படை ஆரம்ப காலத்தில் கிழக்கிந்தியக் கம்பெனியரின் ஒரு சிறிய கப்பல் படையாக 1610-ல் தொடங்கியது. ஆரம்ப நிலையில் இதன் தளபதியாக பிரிட்டி நாட்டவரான எட்வர்டு பாரி என்பவர் தலைமை வகித்தார். இந்திய கடற்படையில் முதன்முதலாக தலைமைப் பதவியேற்ற முதல் இந்தியர் என்ற பெருமைக்குரியவர் தலைமைத் தளபதி ராம்தாஸ் கட்டாரி ஆவார். இந்திய கடற்படையின் தற்போதைய தலைமைத் தளபதியாக அட்மிரல் ஹரிகுமார் அவர்கள் சேவையாற்றி வருகின்றார்.

இந்திய கடற்படைப் பிரிவுகள் :- இந்திய கடற்படை இந்தியப் பெருங்கண்டத்தில் மூன்று பெரும் மண்டலங்களாகப் பிரிக்கப்பட்டு செயல்பட்டு வருகின்றது. கிழக்கு மண்டலம் விசாகப்பட்டினத்தையும், மேற்கு மண்டலம் மும்பையையும், தெற்கு மண்டலம் கொச்சியையும் தலைமையிடங்களாகக் கொண்டு திறம்பட செயல்பட்டு வருகின்றது. இந்திய கடற்படையின் ராஜாளிவிமானப்படைத்தளம் இராமநாதபுரத்தில் செயல்பட்டு வருகின்றது.

விமானந்தாங்கிக் கப்பல்கள் - இந்திய கடற்படையில் ஐரோ, விக்ரமாதியா மற்றும் ஐரோ விக்ரந் என்ற மூன்று விமானந்தாங்கிக் கப்பல்கள் சேவையுரிந்து வருகின்றன. இதிலும் ஐரோ விக்ரந் முழுக்க முழுக்க இந்தியாவிலேயே உருவாக்கப்பட்ட ஒன்றாகும். இந்த சாதனையின் மூலம் நாம் நம் இந்திய இராணுவ வாகனம். தளவாட தயாரிப்பில் சுயசார்பு பெற்றதை எண்ணி பெரு மகிழ்வு கொள்ளலாம்.

கடற்படை தினம் - டிசம்பர் 4 - இந்திய கடற்படை தினம் ஒவ்வொரு ஆண்டும் டிசம்பர் - 4 ஆம் நாள் கொண்டாடப்படுகின்றது. இந்திய கடற்படை அந்நியரை எதிர்த்துப் போரில் வெற்றித் திலகமிட்ட தினமே இந்தியக் கடற்படை தினமாக கடைபிடிக்கப்படுகின்றது.

நாமும் உறுதியேற்போம் ! இந்திய கடற்படை சேவை எண்ணற்ற சவால்கள் நிறைந்தது என்றால் அது மிகையன்று. காரணம், கடற்பயணத்திலேயே பல ஆண்டுகள் தன் வாழ்வை அர்பணிக்கும் வாழ்வியல் தன்மை கொண்டது கடற்படைப் பணி. இதில் உடல் கடல் சீதோஷணத்திற்கு ஏற்புடையதாவது முதல் மனரீதியான உளவியல் சிரமங்களும் நிறைய உண்டு. அதையும் கடந்து இந்தியக் கடற்படையில் சேவை புரியும் நம் படை வீரர்கள் தியாகத்திற்கு எந்நாளும் வீர வணக்கத்தைச் சொல்வோம்.

மேலும் நாம் எதிர்காலத்தில் நம் இந்திய கடற்படையில் சேர்ந்து சேவையாற்ற உறுதியேற்போம். வாழ்க இந்தியத் திருநாடு! ஜெய்ஹிந்த்!!!

பிரவீன் கிருஷ்ணன். XI - E



**‘SHAM NO
VARUNAH’**

STUDENT ACHIEVERS OF THIS MONTH



District Level Yoga Championship

M. S. Jagat Krishore	-	4C	-	II Place
R. Hemant Kumar	-	4E	-	III Place
O.J. Obli Manisvar	-	2C	-	III Place
S. Vishanth	-	4E	-	III Place



State Level Silambam Open Championship

S. Logesh- 4A-II Place in single stick under-13 years



District Level Badminton

S.D. Raam Kishore	-	9F - Singles and doubles runner under -
J. Jeffrin Jose	-	9D - Doubles runner under - 17
M. Naga Prasad	-	11D - Doubles winner under - 19
S. Ashwin	-	11A - Doubles winner under - 19



District Level Table Tennis

B. Abhinav	-	12D - Winner singles under - 14
K. Vishva	-	12D - Winner singles under - 17
K. Vishal	-	12D - III Doubles under - 17
C. Samson	-	11E - III Doubles under - 17
S. Manoj	-	12B - Winner singles under - 19
S. Jeevan Prasath	-	12B - Winner doubles under - 19
D. Jesvin Johann	-	12B - Winner doubles under - 19



District Level Athletics

R. Roopesh Khanna

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12E - III place (Hurdles)



IGC – NCC Army Wing

Srudeep Dev - 9C attended the selection Camp at Army Centre, Edgapatti, Madurai and was selected to attend the Republic Day Parade in New Delhi.



National Level Chess

S. Paresh of 7F has won the First Prize at the National Level under – 11 category at the FIDE Rapid Rating Chess Tournament held at Thirupathi, Andhra Pradesh on 20.10.2022

UPCOMING EVENTS IN NOVEMBER

- 01.11.2022 N. S. S. camp.*
- 05.11.2022 ECCOMANIA Inter School Knowledge Fest Competition for Commerce students.*
- 05.11.2022 Field Trip to Keezhadi Archaeological site.*
- 10.11.2022 G.K. Olympiad*
- 15.11.2022 II Mid Term Examination*
- 22.11.2022 N C C Day Special Parade*
- 26.11.2022 Trekking to Yercaud*

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