



Gyan Buzz...

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DISCOVER THE joy OF LEARNING



From The Principal's Desk...

It is the end of one decade and soon time for another. Beginnings fill us with hope and optimism. Here's hoping that the festive season and the New Year brings with it good cheer. Wishing you all a Happy New Year!

Best Wishes,
Brinda Ghosh
Principal

Editorial...

CREATING AN AURA OF JOY AND OPTIMISM...

A Christian celebration which found its way into almost every nook and corner of the globe, Christmas is one of the most widely celebrated festivals. Whatever your religious background, it's impossible to walk down the street or switch on the Television in December without being reminded that "tis the season". Is it the lights? Is it the trees? Or is it the red nosed reindeers?

I feel it is the story of an old man who believes in showering the entire world with gifts selflessly and joyfully, indirectly sowing the seeds of generosity. It's a beautiful belief for us to imbibe and use in our long lives.

But, what inspires one to be selfless?

Kids know what it is like to receive gifts, they know what it's like to long for them. Adults know loss, they know need. But some kids have known and experienced this too.

When you experience these things and then practice benevolence, you realise that the joy of spreading happiness in the world, makes the heart happy. Helping someone, celebrating someone, elicits a peace far more superior than any materialistic pleasure.

Even if just for a moment, the world is a good place.

Think of the countless blessings that God has given us without asking. A grateful heart is one that finds illimitable joy in the seemingly mundane everyday life. Fresh air, clean rivers, a nice 'cooling covert' myriad bounties of nature, loving and caring family, our daily bread...the list is endless.

As the days grow shorter and colder, and the earth seemingly appears barren until growth can begin anew, our thoughts must turn to warmth, life, and light of optimism. And all doesn't end here... if you have been successful in finding this light, spread it amongst the ones who are still groping for it. Bring joy into the lives of others ...LOOK BEYOND...!

With this spirit ignited in my heart, I wish all the readers a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year! May the new year bring everyone peace, love and light into your lives!

Let this be the last line I write this year as a reminder for all the years to come

"It is in giving, that we receive." -Saint Francis of Assisi

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Pre – Primary Wing News



Letter f Craft

At Gyanshree, we go away from rote learning and teach through fun activities that require involvement of sensory faculties. For teaching the concept of Letter 'f', the Shreeyans of Nursery did craft activity using techniques of drawing, painting and picture pasting. This activity helped them learn about letter formation and phonic sound association.



Number 9 Craft

All over the world, Christmas is perhaps one of the most awaited times of the year. To mark the beginning of Christmas celebrations, the Shreeyans of Nursery made a wreath for the number 9 craft.



Jingle all the Way...

Christmas spreads the message of love and kindness to all. The Shreeyans celebrated the spirit of Christmas with great excitement, while learning the message of 'caring and sharing' through stories. They had fun doing some interesting craft activities making Christmas trees, Santa Claus, wreaths and Christmas stockings. Our Shreeyans came dressed in colours of Christmas – red, green & white and watched a story on Jesus's birth. To add to the fun was the Little Chef activity. The Shreeyans made delicious pinwheel sandwiches and chocolate balls. They even made New Year card for their families and ended their day by singing Christmas carols and dancing.

Learning about Animals

The month of December saw tigers, lions, bears and monkeys jumping on screen for Shreeyans. 'What a trip' - a virtual Jungle Safari! This was an interesting way for the Shreeyans to know about some jungle animals and also learn about their habitat. To keep up the learning fun and enhance their eye-hand coordination and fine motor skills, they created some interesting craft work.

To encourage development of speaking skills and confidence, the Nursery & Kindergarten Shreeyans participated in a 'Show and Tell' activity on the theme 'Jungle Animals'. They were excited to share information about the animal and waited eagerly for their turn.



Lower Primary Wing News

Little Master Chef

COVID times have taught everyone to be independent and self-reliant. Shreeyans of Grade I are regularly learning to create some healthy options to eat when their parents are busy with their online work. The Little Chef activity is aimed at not only teaching them a simple and tasty dish but also enhances their vocabulary and fine motor skills. The sumptuous and mouth-watering Apple cookie they created was relished and appreciated by all their family members, boosting the confidence of the Shreeyan.



Christmas Celebrations

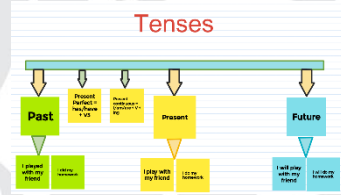
Christmas is the festival which inspires the spirit of sharing and caring. Soaking in the spirit of Christmas Shreeyans of Grade I celebrated the festival with enthusiasm on 24th December. They dressed in red and white and sang melodious carols and danced beautifully. The significance of the festival was explained to them through the Christmas story. The boundless joy of celebrating the festival was visible on the faces of all the Shreeyans.



Primary Wing News

The Grammar Wall

In order to create interest in learning the language, Shreeyans of Grade V took to technology to create their own Grammar wall. The wall was made by using their own personal Jamboard. The Grammar wall is yet another innovative way for Shreeyans to enhance their vocabulary and recognise the parts of speech, as well.

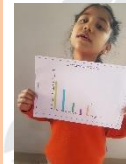



Designing a Poster...

Grade II put on their thinking caps and picked up paint brushes to design posters for an eco-friendly cause. Their beautiful artistic creations helped in creating awareness on keeping the Earth pollution free and Going Green.

Math with Tambola and more!

Math Week was celebrated to mark the birth anniversary of Srinivasa Ramanujan. Shreeyans learnt about the contributions of the Indian Mathematical Genius, and celebrated the National Mathematics Day. Shreeyans of Grade II celebrated with enthusiasm by taking out their number cards and playing Tambola. Meanwhile Shreeyans of Grade III raised the bar by creating pictographs, tally marks, bar graphs based on real-life situations and presenting the same in the class.

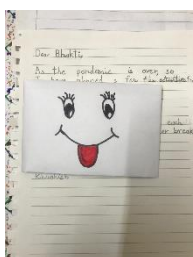
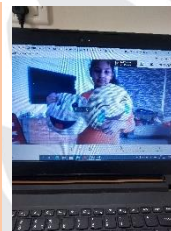


The Budding Scientists of Grade III

Shreeyans of Grade III took part in an online Budding Scientist Activity. Working in collaboration with their grade mentors, the young innovators were exposed to rich learning experiences and had fun while preparing their models. They even took up the task of explaining the Science of sign languages. Their efforts were much appreciated.

Making communication effective...

Shreeyans of Grade III were taught about the power of effective communication through a guessing game involving the Emojis and a round of dumb charades. They also took part in a phone a friend activity with self-made models of the phone and learnt about the importance of listening, thinking and speaking. Shreeyans had a great time giving voice to their feelings as well.



I sent a letter to my dear friend!

Shreeyans of grade III- G took part in a letter writing activity, sharing their plans for the post-pandemic time. And they even made handmade envelopes for the same. The young ones were also introduced to the art of composing e-mails and leave applications.



Young Weather Reporters

Shreeyans of Grade III - E donned the hats of weather reporters for a day, as they presented the weather report. The young presenters stole the show and spoke knowledgeably about different icons and symbols used to forecast the weather.

Personifying Poetry And Prose – Role Playing With Style!

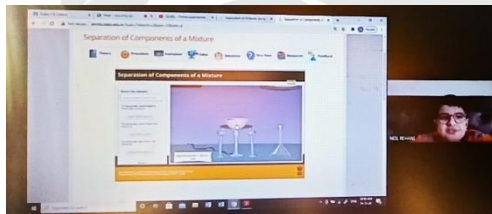
The popularly used figure of speech- 'Personification' was introduced to the Shreeyans of Grade V by encouraging them to enact the role of winter and other seasons.

Meanwhile, the Shreeyans of Grade IV took on the role of 'The Big Friendly Giant', a character from their ongoing chapter. They not only identified themselves with the character, but also gained a deeper understanding of the text and its characters.



OLABS- When the lab comes home!

Shreeyans of Grade V enjoyed Science through virtual experiments. The students got to do their own experiments from the comfort of their homes and not just observe or see the appliances, but conduct the experiments individually. It has not only sparked their inquisitiveness, but also set the young scientists on a road of lifelong learning.



The States that Matter!

Shreegurus introduced their learners to the concept of the three states in which matter exist by involving Shreeyans in various thoughtful experiments. Shreeyans of Grade IV picked different articles and experimented with them in a virtual session to get an in-depth understanding of the concept.



Calculative Art!

An integrated approach to learning is the way to go ahead and Shreeyans of Grade IV practised just this when they learnt about the design of a Polygon by using ice-creams sticks, straws and toothpicks. They even created their own masterpieces by making a scenery or a polygon art design on cardboard pieces.



'Tis Christmas Time...

With great vibes of goodwill and joy all around, Shreeyans of Grade II - C, D, G and H conducted a special assembly to celebrate the spirit of the season! The cheerful choir gave voice to the evergreen Christmas carol, 'Jingle Bells.' The young actors also put up a wonderful skit narrating the story of Christmas. The young performers stole the show with their foot tapping dance performance along with Shreeyans of Grade 1. The virtual event also showcased the various Christmas activities that Shreeyans enjoyed during their online classes. The special assembly concluded on a spirited note with a few words of encouragement and good wishes from the Principal.



The Joy of Giving...

"Learn to light a candle in the darkest moments of someone's life. Be the light that helps others see; it is what gives life its deepest significance." Roy T. Bennett

To enhance the spirit of goodwill, and keep the spirit of Christmas alive, Shreeyans of the Primary Wing participated actively in the 'Joy of Giving Activity'. The young philanthropists prepared give away bags for the less fortunate and distributed them while following the rules of social distancing. They also shared their experiences in class and their cheerful countenance bore testimony to the much joy and happiness that they had spread around!



Secondary Wing News

Empowering Shreeyans

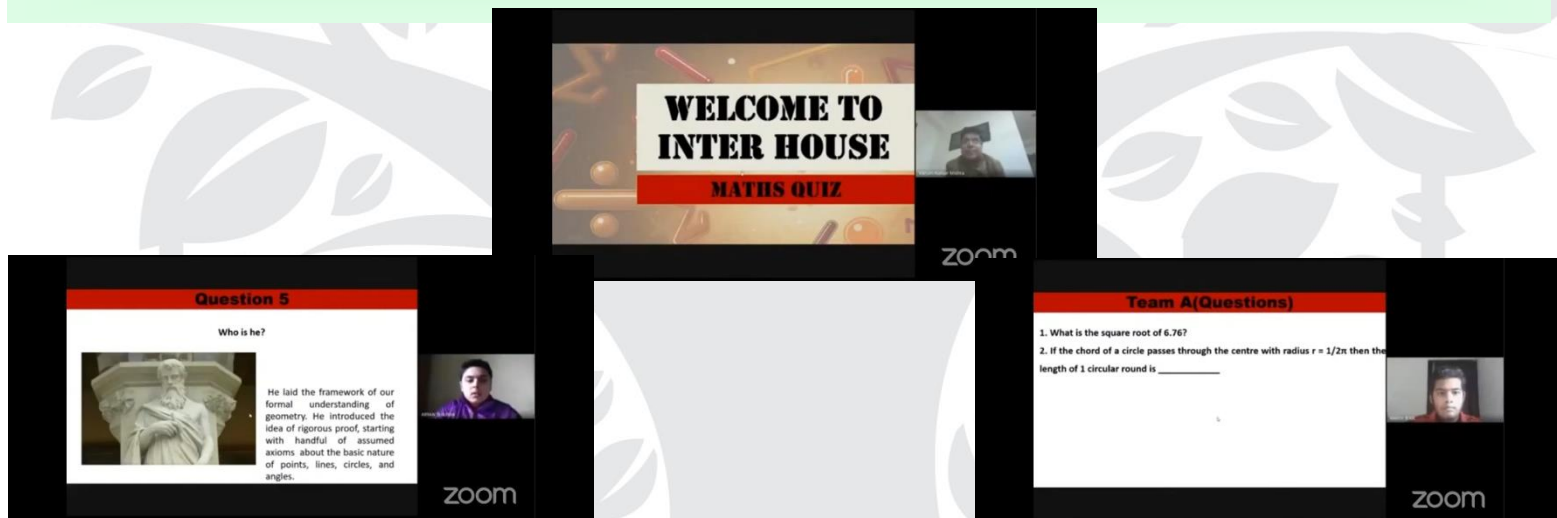
Shreeyans of Grades XI and XII attended a Zoom meeting organized by CEIR Global on 16 December, 2020. The meeting gave the learners a deeper insight into career opportunities in Marine and Fisheries Sciences.

Shreeyans of Grade XII attended a session with Ms. Vaishnavi Chandran from Mindler, world's most advanced career guidance platform. The session aimed to update them regarding the Mindler Scholarship Hunt that has been specifically designed to identify and reward the students across various career domains by helping them connect with the leading universities of their choice. INR 25 Cr worth scholarships are being offered to 3000 students based on their talent and career profiling. Many students have completed the Mindler Scholarship Assessment and are awaiting the results.



Testing Our Strength In Numbers- Inter House Math Quiz

Mathematics not just nurtures and develops reasoning, critical thinking and problem solving abilities, but also forms an integral part of our everyday lives. To encourage students to be alert learners and develop clarity of thought, a virtual Inter-House Math Quiz was organized at Gyanshree School. Mr. Vikram Mishra from the Math Faculty was the Quiz Master for the event and Ms. Ankita Nair was the timekeeper. Two students from each house participated in the Quiz. Agni House was declared the winning team whereas Jal House was declared the runners up. Principal, Mrs. Brinda Ghosh, congratulated the winning team and applauded the efforts of all those who contributed towards making this online event a success.



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