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Principal's Message

2003 has been a very notable year for Hampton Court, as it has seen our very first batch of students taking the class X I.C.S.E. Examination. Previously, this Institution was a Junior School with classes up to class VI only.



However, now the Management has taken up the challenge of raising 'Hampton Court' to a High School. This challenge has been taken up further by the Principal, with the help of all the collaborators in carving out a niche for itself in the educational fraternity. The onus on us is manifold as we inherit the legacy of being the best Junior School in North India.

Putting all our trust in God and inspiration in the hands of Our Mother Foundress, St. Claudine Thevenet, we felt guided on our path in spite of all 'odds'. Our efforts certainly seem to be blessed. The coincidence of Reverend Mother General's Visit to us in 1998 and now in October 2003 is a message that God is with us and that our children will be able to complete their High School with us. We are confident that God will help our children in every way and will continue to be with them to get the education they need, to carry on their lives as happy adults and good citizens. Besides being good in academics, India needs men and women of character and integrity. This is the reason why Value Education is very necessary for them.

As we enter a new Academic Year it is very important to focus on the issue of a Value-based curriculum which will help to develop an all round personality and a reliable character.

The most apt saying which applies to all of us comes from Waller:-

*"Circles are praised, not that they abound
In largeness, but in being exactly round:
So life we praise that doth excel
Not in much time, but in acting well".*

God Bless all of you! --- Sr. Sophie (RJM)



Rev. Mother General, Sr. Sophie (Superior) and Community

Editorial

The year 2003 was special in many ways. The School prepared itself for its very first ICSE Board Examination . The changed scenario of the School from being a Boarding school to a "Day School" has given us greater responsibility than ever before. The pedagogy of our Mother Foundress has always provided us with the necessary inspiration and guidance for the training of young minds. We are now concentrating on the children of the local community to be responsible and morally sound citizens of tomorrow.

The present situation of unrest and violence , the world ,over is a matter of concern for the entire educational community. The response to these happenings has to come through children who are not only the future of our country but are the instruments for setting up "Peace and Order", in the World.



We, in Hampton Court ,like many others ,are making an all out effort to train the young minds entrusted to us to be men and women who are intellectually sound and generous of heart to stand for what is right for one and all. Perhaps ! it is the nuclei of the family system which needs to be set in order for the furtherance of the cause of "Peace and Love for All". The great legend of our times the Saint of the 21st.century Mother Teresa of Kolkata is an illuminating example worth emulating for the educational fraternity the world over. Her message of unconditional peace and love for the poorest and the most neglected is a message for the society for improving its outgoing care for a "larger family". Doing this, is indeed taking a large step forward in making the world a peaceful and a better place for our future generations.

The year 2003 was also special as the Superioress General Mother.Aurora of the Congregation blessed us and our students during her recent visit to Hampton Court . She has sent a special word of appreciation for the sense of "Environmental Care" that is being inculcated in our children. The Greening and the Waste Management Programme has now completed a decade and the initiative taken by Sr.Anita, Sr.Dorothy, Sr.Beatrice and our Principal Sr.Sophie has become an inseparable part of School Curriculum.

The Editorial Board acknowledges its heart - felt thanks to the Contributors of the Articles, Parents and Staff Members who took an initiative to explore the latent journalistic talents of our children. A special word of thanks is also due to Sr.Angels for reading and correcting the manuscripts.

Vipin Kumar
Editor.



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Gunjan Bahuguna

Some traits that mark out a good leader

1. *Capacity (intelligence, alertness, verbal faculty, originality and judgement.)*
2. *Achievement (scholarship, knowledge, accomplishments)*
3. *Responsibility (dependability, initiative, persistence, aggressiveness, self confidence, desire to excel.)*
4. *Participation (activity , sociability, cooperation, adaptability, humour)*
5. *Status (Socio- economic position, popularity)*
6. *Situational skill (mental ability , needs and interests of followers, objectives to be achieved, and tasks to be performed)*

To those who have confidence in themselves, change is a stimulus because they believe one person can make a difference and influence what goes on around them. These people are the doers and motivators." - Buck Rogers.



*We Seek your
Blessings
God!!*



Investiture Ceremony



We now, really miss Hampton Court Boys ! (Bro. George)



Role of a Student in the Nation's Development

Students have always played an inspiring role in the growth of a nation. The knowledge, vigour and enthusiasm of youth, has given new life to the development of the country. The knowledge they bring with them is fresh with innovative ideas. The country experiences a fresh surge of progress, through the synergy of idea and action. However, this can only happen if the students devote their lives and energy to study. At the same time they must remain mentally alert, physically fit and socially disciplined.

Discipline has to be cultivated. It cannot be acquired overnight. A student must learn self-control besides his lessons. He should develop the power to think before acting. He should cultivate moral strength. A strong character matures the mind, which in turn helps the student to understand thoughts and ideas. With discipline comes responsibility. No, nation can hope to make progress in the face of student indiscipline. One cannot hope to build responsible, mature and honorable leaders from an undisciplined group of students.

Over the past few years many students in different states have been taking part in different undesirable activities, which has cost them heavily in terms of doing their studies well and in their career prospects. They should avoid indulging in such activities, because at such a young and tender age their first duty is to build a strong intellectual foundation and a good moral character.

They are still in the process of learning or training for the future. Therefore instead of being misguided they should concentrate more on acquiring qualities of cooperation self-help and confidence. Students must also avoid violence, by ignoring all attempts of political agencies, in leading them into violent situations.

In other words a student should concentrate more on becoming prepared mentally, morally, physically and emotionally. This preparedness on completion of their studies will help them to take up responsibility towards the development of their motherland.

Manisha Pundir
Class-IX

***The Investiture ceremony
was presided over by
Brother. George
Principal, St. George's
College, Mussoorie.***

We can run away from others, but we can't run away from ourselves. If we never learn to assert our thoughts and feelings, we may appear tranquil on the outside, but we are tormented from within. Those who let off steam may make mistakes, but they are probably healthier than those who don't.
(Andrew Costello)



Science- A Boon or an Enemy Of Man

Science today, has absolutely overpowered the whole human race. It has turned "impossibilities" into possibilities. Time and distance have shortened as the entire world has become a "global village." The green revolution has mechanised Agriculture and there has been an unprecedented growth in the Industrial Sector. Television has brought the happenings and events the world over to our Drawing rooms. The advancements made in Medical Science have helped man conquer disease which all along had remained un-diagnosed and untreated. Science has done a yeoman service to the mankind.

The rapid advancement in Science & Technology and its acquisition has also had an impact on the Political climate of the world. The invention of weapons of mass destruction, biological weapons and nuclear proliferation are some of the "concerning" contributions of Science to man. The entire world is sitting on a fire as every nation is vying to emerge as superpower both militarily and politically. Nehru's words were very correct when he said, "Modern science and scientists have let loose enormous power which cannot be bottled again, and violence can only lead to the extermination of the whole human race."

The catastrophic events which followed after the bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki are a witness of the misuse of Nuclear power which was a panic reaction on the part of the allies who wanted to bring an end to the IInd. World War. The "war was won" but humanity lost. The disabilities caused due to Radioactive radiation led to mass deaths and debility in millions, for life. So much, for the cause of victory which, though may be justified yet does not redeem the glorified achievements which man had boasted for in the past.

Science has also stimulated the urge of crsytallising economic power and as the world moves forward the theory of "Economic imperialism" concentrated in the hands of the so called developed countries of the world reveals its ugly face. The World Trade Organisation (WTO) and the General Agreement on Trade and Tariff (GATT) are two such platforms which are dictating terms to the third world nations on their terms and conditions which not only violate the Kyoto protocol on climate but also exercise their control through the closure of small scale industries in developing countries. If one was to abide with the conditions then the un-employment rate in India alone will be to the tune of about 30-35% for 20-35 age group persons.

In the present scenario what is really required is to strike a balance between Science and humanity. Science can only survive if man lives, not the other way round, Let this be understood by one and all!

Gaurav Jarwan
Class X



Risking

Two seeds lay side by side in the fertile spring soil.

The first seed said, "I want to grow! I want to send my roots deep into the soil beneath me, and thrust my sprouts through the earth's crust above me. I want to unfurl my tender buds like banners to announce the arrival of spring. I want to feel the warmth of the sun on my face and the blessing of the morning dew on my petals!" And so she grew!

The second seed said, "I am afraid. If I send my roots deep into the soil below me, I don't know what I may encounter in the dark. If I push my way through the hard soil above me I may damage my delicate sprouts. What if I let my buds open and a snail tries to eat them? And if I am to blossom, a small child will pull me out from the ground. Is it not better for me to wait until it is safe." And so she waited.

A yard hen scratching around in the early spring ground for food found the seed and promptly ate it up. Thus the story shows - "Those of us who do not take a risk to grow get swallowed up by life."

Akash Lazrus- X

SOME FACTS

Athletics

Athletics have been the primary attraction of the Olympic games since the ancient times. In the first Olympics, only one race, the 192m sprints, was run. Since then, many events have been added, but the sprint is still considered the purest athletic event. The 100m sprints is just one explosion of energy with sprinters getting only a couple of lungfull of air during the race. In sharp contrast, the other key contest, the Decathlon requires strategy, planning, stamina and consistency through two days of 'energy -sapping' events. In recent years among all the athletes ,Carl Lewis stands out for the four Olympic Golds he won, - a feat matched only, by the great Jesse Owens!

Gymnastics

The Greeks practised gymnastics to train boys so that they would be fit and strong to fight in wars, when their time came. Later, gymnastics was introduced into the "Olympics" and was dominated by the State of Sparta, which was also a great military power. Gymnastics is a very attractive sport to watch as it combines speed, strength, agility and grace.

In the recent Olympics, gymnasts have become overnight stars! Nadia Comaneci of Romania got seven perfect 10s in the 1976 Olympics and won the hearts of millions of viewers. Similarly Olga Karbut of the Soviet Union became a media favorite when she cried after a poor performance on the uneven bars. She later performed a major turn around by winning 2 golds.

Ankita Trivedi
Class VIII



Did You Know ?

- * One minute of a movie uses over 27cm of film.
- * Typewriter is the largest word that can be made using letters on only one row of the keyboard.
- * Snails are a great delicacy in France, where they are called escargot.
- * Eighty-four percent of the worlds orange juice is supplied by Brazil.
- * The Egyptians wrote one of the earliest known recipes on a stone in about 1600 BC. It was for making sweets.
- * The giraffe's neck can be over 2m in length but it is made up of only seven bones, the same number of bones as in our neck.
- * Alexander Hardy was the first Frenchman known to have made his living as a dramatist.
- * The largest statue in the world is Mount Rushmore, the heads of four US Presidents has been carved into the black hills near Keystone. The heads are 18m (60 ft) tall.
- * Fingernails take six months to grow from the base to the tip.
- * The average person falls asleep in seven minutes.

Rahul Kumar

TEN GOLDEN RULES FOR MAKING THE MOST OF YOUR GOLDEN YEARS

- * The delight of being alive is the true experience of life.
- * Make it your business to be cheerful.
- * Yesterday is a cancelled cheque , tomorrow is a promissory note, but today is cash in hand.
- * You live longer when you have something to live for.
- * Every man desires to live longer yet no man desires to be old.
- * Practice looking in the mirror and accept the fact that your body is ageing.
- * Creativity does not slow down with age.
- * Practice some form of daily meditation. It's both relaxing and energising.
- * To learn what is new is to be forever young.
- * Never stop setting "GOALS".

*Compiled by:
Cheryl.*



Success

"What is the secret of success?" asked the sphinx –

"Push," said the button.

"Take pains", said the window.

"Never be led", said the pencil.

"Always be cool", said the ice.

"Be up to date", said the calendar

"Never lose your heart", said the barrel.

"Make light of everything", said the fire.

"Do a driving business", said the hammer.

"Aspire for greater things", said the nutmeg.

"Be sharp in all your dealings", said the knife.

"Find a good thing and stick to it", said the glue.

*Compiled by :-
Hitesh Kumar-ClassX*

Light Corner



Boy: My father shaves forty times a day.

Friend: Is he crazy?

Boy: No, he is a barber.

-Amita Chauhan

Love is the only thing that multiplies when divided. --Anonymous



"Where There Is A Will, There Is A Way"

"They can, who think they can" is an old saying. Determination, and courage leads to one's success in life. The thorns of life must not be allowed to sway a person. This needs a strong will, though we may fail we must never cease trying. Confidence comes through hard work and hard work by determination. People with courage succeed but those who avoid hard work fail!

Life is not a bed of roses. Difficulties have to come and need to come to make us more resistant and strong. A delicate flower is destroyed in a hailstorm but a strong tree is resistant. In the same way if we are strong and determined we will reach the zenith of success.

Difficulties and pressures in life sway us from our track but a courageous person will never give up. In spite of many failures he will face trials. He will take failures as steps to the pillars of success.

The Exhibition Day was about to arrive. Everyone was busy preparing for it. I was in the Science Exhibition and was given the assignment of explaining the model of Man's Evolution. I tried but was unable to explain it. May be that I am weak in English or due to lack of confidence.

The Science Teacher assisted me in understanding the model and my friend's presence gave me confidence. At the first instance, I failed, but the second time I managed to do it a little better. Finally the Exhibition Day arrived. I had practised well and was successful in explaining it. When the Exhibition terminated, my friends praised me on my success. It was indeed true that I had regained my lost confidence. I give full credit of today's success to the help given by Sir. Vipin Kumar my Science teacher and to my friend for being with me. All this gave me courage and confidence. I am most grateful to them.

I dedicate my article to my classmates.

Remember They Can, Who Think They Can!

Gunjan Bahuguna

Class X

A Light Corner

Teacher: Tell me the formula of water!

Student: H I J K L M N

Teacher: Are you trying to be funny?

Student: No, that's what we were told 'H to O'

-Amita Chauhan

A diamond is a chunk of coal, that has made good, under pressure- Anonymous



My Trek To Dharvadhar

My First Term Examinations finished on 30th May 2003. My father was going on a trek. I wanted to go with him. We left on 31st May 2003 at 2:00 pm for Hanumanchatti. We had to travel 130 km and it took us 5 hours since it was a hilly road. We reached Hanumanchatti at 7:00 pm and spent the night there. Hanumanchatti is the place from where pilgrims go to Yamnotri. The river Yamuna was flowing just below the guest house, where we had stopped for the night. I could hear the river all night. In the moonlight I could also see the silver coloured snow-capped peaks, which appeared much closer than they did from Mussoorie.

The next day, we left, very early in the morning, on our trek. My father told me that it is best to leave early, on a trek, because it usually rains in the mountains in the afternoons. We left at 6:30 am.

Seema is 14 kilometers from Hanumanchatti. It was a beautiful walk. On the way we passed five separate forested areas. In the first forest we saw two small animals, which looked like hamsters and some birds. We went past a village called Nisini. A number of children waved to us on the way and asked for toffees. We also saw potato crops in the terraced fields. There were cattle going up the hills to the grazing grounds. We met two Gujjars coming down the mountain with milk in large cans. They told us that it was still a long way to reach the camp at Seema. We also passed a Gujjar encampment. Gujjars are cowherds who move with their cattle and come to the mountain meadows called "bugyal" during the summer months.

The Camp was above the encampments in a "bugyal". The last bit of the walk was steep and very tiring. We had to cross a number of mountain streams on the way. In one or two places my father carried me across. Otherwise, I managed on my own. We finally reached the camp around 12:30 in the afternoon. I was told that the camp was at 12,500 feet. When we reached the camp and I saw the little red and grey tent in which I was to stay, I was very excited and all my tiredness vanished. My father's advice on reaching early was sensible, because it rained in the afternoon. We went into our tents. The tent had a little window and in the evening, I caught a glimpse of the clouds just above the mountains and the golden rays of the sun catching the snow peaks. It was a very beautiful sight. I shouted to my father and the others in the camp to quickly come and look. We also clicked some nice photographs.

The next day we walked up to the Snow Line. There for the first time I saw snow. I also collected some snow in a plastic bag. It was a very exciting adventure. In the evening we had a campfire.

The next day we returned to Hanumanchatti by a different route, which was about 2 kilometers less. I enjoyed the trek very much. When you go on treks, you should be very careful. It is hot in the mornings and cold in the evenings there, and woollen clothes are needed. One should be careful while walking and not run unnecessarily. One should conserve energy. We should not talk loudly or sing and disturb the peace of the surroundings. We should not throw our litter, particularly plastic bags on the hills. Trekking is a great adventure and one which can be very exciting and enjoyable, if we follow the rules. I wish my school would also take me on a trek so that I can go with all my friends.

Keshav Krishnan- IV



Some Indian Superstitions

Superstition may be defined as a belief in the power of omens, the usefulness of ceremonies and existence of supernatural beings. Some people believe in a number of omens, perform a number of ceremonies and live in fear of ghosts and evil spirits. Superstitions are not only found in India, they exist in every country of the world.

A moment's thought reminds us of a number of common Indian superstitions. One shouldn't go out if a cat crosses one's path or if any one sneezes or if one sees a man with an empty vessel that is meant for water. To see a one eyed man early in the morning is considered highly inauspicious or unlucky or one who sees him is sure not to get his meals during the day. An owl on the rooftop is a sure sign of approaching ruin and destruction. If a crow crows early in the morning it is the sign of some guest coming. Many of the superstitions are based on sound reasoning and common sense. One should not cross over a child as it would check it's growth and one should not even crossover a younger one as it might injure them. Closed wells are the dwelling of evil spirits and so one should not go near them. We also know that some poisonous gas comes out of such wells and may cause injury to health of a person. Ficus (Indian peepul) trees are the houses of ghosts and so it is a sin to pluck flowers at night.

Superstitions regarding ghosts and evils are a sign of human weakness and lack of faith. Man is weak and lives in constant fear of unknown dangers that lurk in the dark and lonely corners. No one has ever seen a ghost in broad daylight. People perform various ceremonies to pacify them.

Superstition and ignorance goes together. Hence they tend to disappear with an increase of literacy. With the development in Science and the awakening of our minds, superstitions should come to an end. But some of them are so deeply rooted that nothing can fully shake them off. That is why so many superstitions still persist even in the most advanced countries of the world.

Nidhi Janveja

Class X

No human being is too big to be humble, but some human beings are too small-

Anonymous

THINK IT OVER !

"Success is the progressive realization of a worthy goal,". Success does not mean being accepted by everyone. Success and happiness go hand in hand. Success is getting what you want and happiness is liking what you get. Some obstacles to success are ego, fear of failure, lack of self esteem, lack of planning, lack of goals, lack of focus, lack of commitment, lack of persistence, lack of priorities. In order to achieve the winning edge, we need to strive after excellence, not perfection.- Earl Nightingale.





Break time ! Picnic ! Excursion

Power of Words



There is no end to acquire knowledge. Keep Trying ! (S. Krishnan)

My Childhood

When I was just a child of two,
I did not know who is who.
When I turned quickly to three,
My parents just left me free.
When I grew to the age of five,
My parents taught me how to live life.
When I touched the age of seven,
I felt nature was comparable to heaven.
When I completed the age of nine,
I started realizing all the responsibilities of mine.
Those memories that could compare to no other,
Are the lovely memories of my childhood .

Preeti Rawat
Class IX

*When I was young I admired clever people. Now
that I am old, I admire kind people.---Abraham
Heschel*

My School

*Far up in the hills,
Lies a school of power and
might
Where the discipline is
firm and tight.
The teachers here work hard
Day and night,
It's Hampton Court
Our source of light*

Garry Manshaia
Class VIII

*The test of courage comes when we
are in the minority. The test of
tolerance comes when we are in the
majority- Ralph Sockman.*

Mother

Mother! Mother! Mother!
You are more beautiful than any other.
I like you more than gold,
and you are not very old.
I truly miss
Your sweet kiss.

I often sit on a chair
And remember your beautiful hair.
Please do come
My sweet mum.

Mayank Kavi
Class VI



Hard Work Leads to Success

Hard work is the key to success. Nothing can be achieved without hard work. Work is the due to all difficulties. Pt. Nehru worked for seventeen hours a day. Hard work is the price that we pay for success and all the gifts of life.

It has been said:-

*"Heights by great men reached and kept,
were not attained by sudden flight,
They while their companions slept,
Were toiling upwards in the night."*

Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam always followed these words and achieved success by first becoming an advisor in Science and then the President of India. He said in his latest speech that to get success in everything we do we need three things they are compassion, dedication and hard work.

A man who works hard shines like steel while a man who lives in luxury and comfort gets rusty.

A man who is responsible and has some aim in life has no tomorrow for him. He makes the best of his time. It is said that what you have to do tomorrow do it today and whatever you have to do today do it 'just now' then only you will be successful in life.

Failure in life is very often due to idleness and carelessness. Nobody on earth leaves his name and his footmarks, without hard work. It is not necessary that to become a famous person one should have longer life. Many famous people passed away when they were very young. Some of these were Napoleon, Swami Vivekanand, Lenin, Mahatma Gandhi etc.

If we waste time, time will waste us. Great men of the world were born in cottages and they died in palaces. Hard work is the key to success.

In the end I would like to say that "greatness and success lie in our hands and success doesn't come easy, you have to pay the price for it."

*Sahil Devgan
Class IX*

Order is the sanity of the mind, the health of the body, the peace of the city, the security of the state. As the beams to a house, as the bones to the microcosm of man, so is order to all things- (Robert Southey)



TOURISM IN MUSSOORIE

The pride of Uttaranchal is the beautiful township of Mussoorie. Mussoorie is a small town with a widespread of ranges of mountains. It is one of the most beautiful Hill Stations of India. At one time it, was called the "Queen of the Hill Stations"

During the Summer the plains are scorched by the burning sun, the people then come to Mussoorie to enjoy its cool breeze, which provides a good relief for them.. This little Hill Station attracts tourists from far of places.

Mussoorie welcomes the tourists with open arms to visit all its beautiful places. It is heart breaking to see that due to the negligence of the tourists, Mussoorie becomes somewhat like "a big garbage bin". How can people throw waste material thoughtlessly ? The big cars cause traffic jams, air and noise - pollution. All the hotels are jam - packed leading to an acute shortage of water, causing inconvenience to the local population.

Though in the beginning everything seems a pleasure but once the tourists leave the town it appears to be a big municipality bin. Mussoorie welcomes everyone happily but in return is tainted blue and black due to indiscriminate littering of plastics and its likes.

We the residents of Mussoorie would like to request the tourists not to leave behind non-biodegradable and harmful waste material but only the fond memories of their visit here.

Shivani Gupta-IX

Hope

*Spring comes after autumn with hope,
Today we wait for tomorrow with hope,
Tears turn into a smile with hope,
Dark ages have passed bringing us a modern world with hope.*

*The world, which helps us to face the ugly struggles of life
And revive us is nothing but hope.*

*The world, which soothes our pain, is beauteous hope,
Hope in the world, which is alive and can never die.*

Nidhi Singh



An Ordinary Man_____

Considers money as an 'end' of life.

Lives for eating

Lives in the present

Strives for a higher standard of living

Looks for seasonal pleasures

A Wise Man_____

Considers money as a means of living.

Eats to live.

Looks into the future

Strives for a higher value of life.

Looks for inner peace

Sheru Bhotia

Class IX

Never lose an opportunity of seeing anything that is beautiful for beauty is God's handwriting.- Ralph Waldo Emerson

Planting Trees

Planting trees gives me a lot of pleasure. It is also my hobby. During my leisure hours, I plant trees and take care of them by watering them everyday and see them grow. By opting for this hobby I keep myself physically fit. It gives me a feeling that I am close to nature. The trees are very useful to man. They keep the air cool and give us shade from the scorching heat of the sun. I see in trees the living God. Trees are the object of delight and happiness. The poor can profit by planting trees. Planting trees and their continuous watch and care creates a taste for refinement. The pleasure that the planting of trees gives is natural and god-like.

Vandana Rawat

Class VIII

I love the man that can smile in trouble, that can gather strength from distress, and grow brave by reflection. It is the business of little minds to shrink, but he whose heart is firm and whose conscience approves his conduct, will pursue his principles unto death-

(Thomas Paine)



My School

School School My School

You're so good

You always tell me what's good.



School School My School

You always keep everyone happy and keen,

Whoever comes and passes by praises our school

For it is always neat and clean.

School School My School

You've got such a lovely garden and trees,

That everyone likes to play and rest under these.



School School My School

You're so beautiful,

Winds come rains come

But you stand there always.

Nishnat Ranjan Mishra

Class VI



AN EYE-OPENER OF MY MOTHER'S LOVE

My condition at that time was just like that of an orphan. When I got the shocking news that my mother had suffered a heart attack. I was alone and nervous and my mind failed to enable me to react. So I resorted to the solace of a temple prayed fervently for my mother's quick recovery. I regretted the moments. I had fought with my mother because she was ill. I realized the importance of her unconditional love and affection towards me. I was continuously dialing the mobile to know my mother's state.

A day later my father came back home and as he entered the room I was unable to control my emotions and wept bitterly. As a loving father would do, my Dad consoled me saying that nothing serious had happened to her. She would recover soon. Gratitude filled my heart and I rushed to the temple and thanked God. Many days passed, but my mother was under observation and would still not be discharged.

It was then I came to know the importance of parents and I also thought about how the orphans survive without their parents' love. That day I decided that whenever I become successful in my life I would donate some amount of money to the orphanage.

Finally, only one day was left for my school to reopen after the summer vacation, my mother phoned me. I was very happy at that moment, relieved of my tension and said that she would be discharged after two days. So the next day I went to school without any tension and on my return home I found my mother welcoming me with a smile. I was thrilled to see her. At that moment I felt that I had received the most precious gift of my life.

Shobhit Agarwal - IX

Do You Know

- * The largest amoeba is only 0.5mm across and the smallest is 0.01mm.
- * Archaeopteryx, 'ancient wing' resembled a small dinosaur with feather.
- * Out of every 100 robins hatched in one year, only 28 are likely to survive until the following spring.
- * The arctic Tern migrates further than any other bird, covering up to 40,000km. A year.
- * A drop of blood contains about 100 million red blood cells.

*Udita Rawat
IX*

If you give a man a fish he will eat once. If you teach a man to fish he will eat for the rest of his life-Kuantzu



Mother Teresa- A Saint Of The 21st Century



God sends his messengers to serve Him in the lowly and last. Mother Teresa was sent by the Lord on this cruel earth, as a messenger of God's Love; where hatred, greed, fret and petty ambitions prevailed, to distribute love. On 26th August 1910 Mother Teresa was born at Skopje in former Yugoslavia. She was originally known as Agnes Gonxha. At the age of eighteen years she went to Ireland to become a nun at Loreto Abbey in Dublin. After a while she came to India, where she taught in Schools as a Sister of the Loreto congregation for a few years and then felt called to serve the poorest people who had no one to help them.

As a young girl, she saw the devastating results of the First and the Second World Wars, which moved young Agnes. Young Agnes Gonxha was travelling by a train to Darjeeling on 6th October 1946, when she heard

the voice of the Lord from within, asking her to serve the society for the cause of humanism. The 6th October 1946 is therefore termed as, "Inspiration Day".

Agnes from that day decided to be a true mother by serving the children of God i.e. the orphans, the poor, the leper afflicted people abandoned by family and society and people who suffered in a man made or natural calamity.

Beyond the manicured lawns of the convent in Calcutta lay the "human sty" where people were born and died in a dehumanised manner. Mother Teresa then decided that she would help these people. In the year 1948 Mother with the permission of the Pope started to work for the society. Slowly when other Sisters also joined Mother in this work. They formed the "Missionaries of Charity" in October 1950.

Mother was born in a Christian family but Agnes followed the religion of love, which did not preach about the distinction between man and man. Mother Teresa was an angel who was just trying to follow the saying of the Bhagvad Gita:-

*"Who sees me in all,
sees all in me,
For whom I am not lost,
And he's not lost for me."*



Mother Teresa served the lowly and the lost with her heart. She said, "when I clean a leper's wound, I feel that I'm nursing the Lord Himself."

Mother saw that there was a scarcity of love in the world. Even the rich people who could buy everything with money were equal to a man suffering for bread. She said, "The world lacks in understanding love, in giving love and this is the cause of loneliness." Keeping in mind that every person needed LOVE, Mother Teresa along with other sisters opened a Sanstha called "Nirmal Hriday". All the people who were in their last days were brought into this Sanstha. The reason for this was that the man who dies will feel satisfied because when he was living the last moments of his life, there was someone near him. Many times people got a new life, by Mother's LOVE and CARE.



Mother Teresa opened many houses and convents for the orphans, for the lepers, for people suffering with TB and for those who had been abandoned in the society. Mother Teresa's effort was really a large one and therefore today only in India there are around 160 institutions of Mother Teresa, which serve the cause of the Lord.

Mother Teresa travelled to different countries and was always the beacon of light, for the poor and the neglected. Mother Teresa went around 105 countries, serving the people and all together opened 500 institutions to help the needy and the poor. **MOTHER TERESA WAS AN ANGEL OF MERCY.**

Mother Teresa won many awards from different countries and quarters, which made her the citizen of the world. She won the Padma Sri, Bharat Ratna, Bharat ki Mahan Suputri Award, Magasaysay Award, the Nobel Prize for Peace etc. for her work towards the society.

On 5th September 1997 people of Calcutta, and the rest of India and world were taken up by grief. The world became poorer due to the exit of an altruist like Mother Teresa.

Every person and every country see and admire exceptional people like Mother Teresa and term them as SAINTS because they are different from the average human beings.

In reality, MOTHER TERESA is a GOD inspired model of SAINTHOOD of the twenty first century.

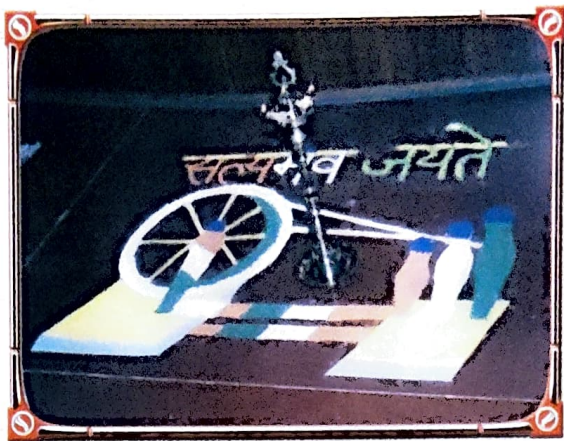
On 19th October 2003 Pope John Paul II in the Vatican BEATIFIED Mother Teresa, which is Mother's last step towards sainthood. One more miracle to take place and MOTHER TERESA will have the Title of "Saint".

"THE SAINT OF THE 21st CENTURY WHO LIVED FOR THE CAUSE OF HUMANISM and WAS AN ANGEL OF MERCY - St. MOTHER TERESA".

Disha Khati LX

***The Flag was hoisted by
Mrs. Vasudha Mishra
(IAS) Deputy Director
Lal Bahadur Shastri
National Academy of
Administration)***





Independence Day

Independence means responsibility (Vasudha Mishra)



Fete Time! Fun Time!



Our main concern is to reach out to the poorest and the most neglected as our mother foundress did - Sr. Sophie



Never Give Up!

Don't you dare to give up
Sorry abruptly I have a pen inside
It's me your heart.

Keep up the spirit
And never give up!
Night always ends with a day
Keep moving on and on
Cheer up and never give up!

Every rose has a thorn
But isn't the rose sweet
So never give up!
Your eyes are sparkling
And I can hear you say
I'LL NEVER GIVE UP!

Nidhi Singh

Learn from failures and
Strive for success
Stand against all odds
With a smile
And never give up!

There are three classes of people: Those who make things happen. those who watch things happen, those who have no idea what is happening.- Anonymous



The rare and most exotic of the jungle cats, the snow leopard is almost a mystery. It is the least photographed and documented of all Himalayan fauna. Weighing less than a leopard and of fifty kilograms. It is a swift and fierce hunter. It can kill a prey many times bigger than his size. Mostly found at very high altitudes it ventures to lower heights only in search of food, during extreme winters. Legend has it that the snow leopard is so secretive that it clears its pugmarks, even as it walks in snow. Snow leopard have been sighted above the heights of 4000 m in the Chamoli and Uttarkashi districts of Garhwal.

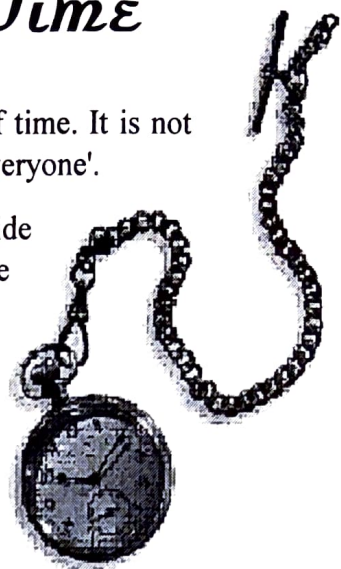
Subham Pujari Class VIII



The Correct Use of Time

One often hears of complaints from people about the lack of time. It is not surprising therefore that 'time has always been painted black by everyone'.

Phrases like 'How time flies', 'in the nick of time', 'time and tide waits for no one', 'it was a cruel hour' etc. would not have been in the English language had mankind made correct use of time. Time never flies; it is we who make it fly by wasting every precious minute. Time is not the monopoly of one person. It is a possession of all those people who know the value of time and know how to make use of it.



Time is valuable. The most obvious sign of a successful person is punctuality in discharging his duties. Time has another enemy in the form of idleness. An idle mind is a devil's workshop. Idleness also gives birth to evil thoughts, which are harmful, both, for society and for self.

Leisure time has a valuable role to play. Proper use of time enhances the life span of a person. Time may not increase the number of years of a person, but it certainly increases the amount of work in a person's lifetime. The good deeds and accomplishments of a person keep a person's name alive. Hence people desirous of achieving something good in this world should learn the value of the economy of time.

Nidhi Bhatt
Class VII

Did you know?

- 1) *Snakes need glasses. But actually they do wear spectacles! A transparent scale covers a snake's eyes in order to protect it.*
- 2) *A snake uses its tongue to smell.*
- 3) *A caterpillar has 12 eyes but it cannot see properly.*

Dhruv Chhabra
Class- VII

The man who removed the mountain began by carrying away small stones.-Chinese proverb



My Trek To Dodital

Dodital is a natural lake in the middle of the Himalayas. It is situated at a height of about 13,500 feet.

I will now tell you about my trek to Dodital. My parents, my brother, who is in U.K.G. and myself, left Mussoorie on the 1st of June 2003 and travelled to Uttarkashi by road. It was a lovely journey. We also saw Tehri Dam from the road. We spent the night in Uttarkashi.

The next day we woke up early in the morning and left for Kalyani, by road. From there, our walk started. There was a steep uphill climb to Aghora village. There we met a person named Mukesh who belonged to Aghora village. He walked with us.



Resting in the forest on the way up to the Camp

We stayed there for the night. It was raining in the evening. We sang songs with other children of Aghora. Next day we started walking to Dodital, which was 17 kms. away from there. We ate maggi on the way. We reached Dodital in the evening. the next day we remained there. I played with Gautam, my brother. We threw sticks in the stream and had a race between them. We then ate food at a small shop there. I had a lot of fun in Dodital.



On the Glacier near Dharwa top

The next day we climbed till Dharvadhar Pass, which is at a height of about 14000 ft. It was a very short and tough climb. My brother and I were able to climb faster than my parents. From the top we could see the Bandar Poonch Peak. We also climbed down the same day.

After staying the night in Dodital, we walked 25 km. Back to Kalyani the same day and came to Uttarkashi. The next day we returned to Mussoorie. I will always remember this trek.



A view of Bandar Poonch and White Peak from the Camp

Siddharth Ahuja (III)



If I Had An Elder Brother

I am the only child in my family. However I have always wished that I was the youngest and had an elder brother. The youngest child in the family always seems to be the most pampered one !

Being the only one has a lot of disadvantages. I have been expected to have a lot of sense!

My parents put a great deal of responsibility on my shoulder and I often find myself doing things that I would have hated to do. But, being the only one I have no choice but to carry out the orders of my parents.

Now if I had an elder brother I would have been the happiest boy on this earth. My brother would have taken care of my parents and me. I would have gone to school with him and he would have been my guide at the school. Older boys would have known my brother and he would have given them a good thrashing had they even raised a finger at me. My brother would have taught me my lessons at home and helped me with all my homework. I would have also learnt new games from him.

We would, at times, fight also but I know I would have loved my elder brother a lot. I would have felt secure and cared for if my brother had been by my side to take care of me through thick and thin. How I wish I had been born last and been free of the burden of taking care of my parents and always being a sensible, careful and responsible person!

Rohit Bhandari
Class X

"Be Happy For What You Are"

There lived a stonecutter who was unhappy with his condition in life. One day he saw a rich man going in a street, he prayed to God and asked him to make him like that. Suddenly the next morning he became a rich man, then he saw a politician and thought how many comforts he has, he prayed to god and became a politician. Then he saw the Sun and thought that it was so powerful and could crush the farmer's wheat and can kill any one, he prayed to God to make him the Sun. He became the Sun. then he saw that the mighty clouds could stop the Sunrays. How powerful they are? He prayed to become a cloud. Suddenly he became a cloud! Then he thought that the winds could blow off the clouds. How powerful these winds are? He thought and wished to become the wind that could blow off the trees, houses etc. then he saw that the winds couldn't blow a stone. He wished to become a stone and so his wish was granted. He was very happy. The next morning he saw a stonecutter who was cutting a stone. Alas! He wished to become a stonecutter, as he was the most powerful person! His desire to be what he was not taught him the lesson that what God has made him was unique and special.

Vaibhav Jindal
Class IX



Lansdowne!

The morning broke down,
In the first sight of dawn
The charm of beautiful light
Was caught by me, by my first sight.



Those pines that gave me early call
It seemed it echoed in the silent presence of empty hall.
Birds called us by their twittering sounds,
I was haunted by this pleasing beauty forever.

Gods' own land, his own creation,
Could never be so beautiful in my imagination.

I could find the beauty of nature as 'beautiful as a pearl'
I closed my eyes and thought-
Was that all real?

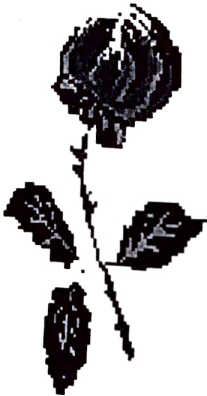
Tina Kataria
Class-IX

It is the dream within the person that counts more than anything else. If a parent can give a child a vision, he has given him one of the best gifts. If a teacher can create an idea of what life may be, he has done his part. (Gerald Kennedy)



Smile

*A little smile on our lips,
Cheers the heart.
It brings together two friends
Who have been apart.*



*A smile can bring
Hope and courage to the sad,
When things for us
Turn out bad.*

*A smile makes our face bright
Which can cheer up anyone who has had a fright
A smile beautifies our face
And keeps everyone fit*

*So these are just a few reasons,
For us to keep smiling
To spread joy and peace,
Among all living beings.*



Amita Chauhan- IX



Activities help to build personalities

Activities are an indispensable part of the School Curriculum. Children need to be developed in an overall manner so that they succeed in life, and in whatever they choose to be. This year like the previous years, the children were involved in various activities.

Our Inter-house Dramatics were held on the 26th & 27th of August. The interesting thing about the event was that the "best play" would be chosen for the Annual Day Function! The staff and students of each house did their very best. The "Judges" must have had a difficult task to select the best Play! The results were out at last; almost "neck to neck" were the Houses, just a difference of a couple of marks. Finally it was declared by the judges that the play "The Little Man Who Wasn't There" performed by the Enterprise house, topped the list- the other houses were close behind! Actually all had done well. Second was the Encounter house with-"The Refund" - Himanshu Bhatnagar who was the chief character of this play was declared the "best actor" of the day. The Endurance house's- "A Marriage Proposal" was third and fourth was the Endeavour house with-"The Ghost Train".

The Endeavour House came First in Special Effects of Light and Sound.

Nupur Singhal of the Endurance house who acted in "The Marriage Proposal" "was considered the best actress of the day, and Ankita Munakhia of the Endeavour house was the best "natural" actress of the day.

The Craft Exhibition took place on the 1st of October. The children used waste material for their Craft. Butterflies & dolls were made from colourful pages of old magazines. Caterpillars, snails, X-Mas trees, were made from "used egg trays". Photo frames were made of used chocolate wrappers. Jute was used for "wall hangings". Pictures and flowers were made from used greeting cards and pasted on the jute plus there were some useful thoughts printed on them.

A great deal of waste material was used by each class to make some really useful and beautiful "creations". The parents were amused to see how their little ones had made "thumb-printed" cards! Spiders were made out of pieces of string. Some "toy-dogs" were made out of matchboxes and wool.

Everything was very colourful and tastefully set up! The Parents of the children were really amazed to see their children's work.

On the 18th October was Sports Day. The function started as soon as the Chief Guest had taken his place at 10:30 am. The Relay Races of the Houses were the chief event and there was great excitement as they were very close. Then the audience was invited to the "Hard Court" where snacks were served. Then the colourful "Second half" of the program was held. The L.K.G. began with "Red-Indians at play".

It was amazing to see how well these little ones kept time to the music and were really very lovable ,Next, came animals, flowers, and peacocks, each class forming a part of nature-



it was beautiful to see and very well performed.

An interesting feature of the program was the explanation of the uses of Yoga Exercises for the benefit of many ailments that can take place in the body. Finally the older girls and boys performed dance movements to the music of "East meets West". The music of this had been earlier specially prepared in honour of Jawahar Lal Nehru.

The Fun-Races followed this. They were really very exciting and amusing. The little ones "hopping" like frogs; The banana race; sitting on the balloon; the Coolie Race; Stepping Stones to Success etc. teachers race was to "Cross the Jordan". The parents enjoyed their race too.

They had great fun collecting together and getting dropped at Mumbai, Chennai, Delhi and Kolkata.

Finally the "March Past" of the Houses took place. The Prize Distribution followed this. Many photos had been taken of the various items. Finally at 2:30 pm the School Anthem sung by all the children, concluded the program. All went home - happy, cheerfully and safely. We thanked God for good weather and a Happy Day!

Sr.Anita

Riddles

Which ship is not a ship?

FRIENDSHIP

Which gate is not a gate?

COLGATE

Which city is not a city?

ELECTRICITY

Which room is not a room?

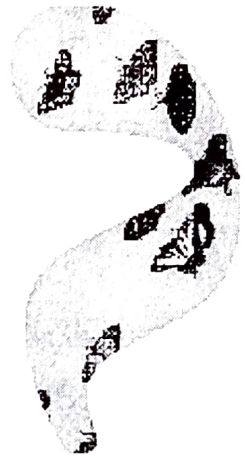
MUSHROOM

Which key doesn't open a door?

MONKEY

I have three spoons and one plate? Who am I?

FAN



*Zoha Khan
Class III*





Helper's Day Teachers' Day



You are the wealth of our School



Inter House Dramatics

They all
proved
themselves,
born
actors.
(Akash Grover)



Relax for a while !

Mike: Have you heard of the Arabian Sea? My father dug the hole for it.

Mac: Have you heard of the Dead Sea? My father killed it.

Mrs. Sen: So you are related to the family next door?

Nikita: Yes, ma'am their dog is my dog's brother.----

Amita Chauhan

Something to think about !



Be thankful if you have a job

A little harder than you like.

A razor cannot be sharpened

On a piece of velvet.- Anonymous

Love looks through a telescope. Envy through a microscope

-E.C.Mc kenzie

How "DISCIPLINE" should be 100%

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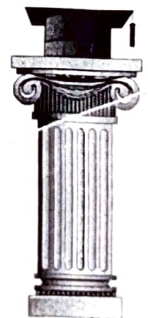
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Rajat Arora and Ritesh Joshi



Class VIII

Don't be afraid to take a big step, if one is indicated. You can't cross a chasm with two small

jumps! -David Llyod George



रोटी की आत्मकथा

मैं रोटी हूँ। तुम ललचाई दृष्टि से मेरी ओर क्यों देख रहे हो? मेरे सुन्दर रूप पर मोहित हो रहे हो? मुझे शीघ्र ही अपने मुँह में डाल लेने के लिये इतने उतावले क्यों हो रहे हो? आज जो रूप मैंने पाया है इसके पीछे कष्टों की एक लम्बी कहानी है। क्या मुझे हड़पने से पूर्व मेरी दुखः भरी गाथा भी सुनना चाहोगे? लो सुनो, मैं अपनी कथा सुनाती हूँ—

मेरा बीजरूपण खेतों में होता है वही मैं उत्पन्न हुई। धरती माँ की गोद में मेरा पालन पोषण हुआ। वायु ने मेरे पालने को झुलाया। पक्षियों ने मुझे लोरियाँ सुनाई। मैं पौधों की बालियों की मस्ती में झूमती रही मुझे संसार के छल कपट का कुछ भी पता न था। मैं अपनी दुनिया में मस्त थी। वर्षा का पानी पीती व चाँदनी की बहार लूटती थी। लेकिन क्रूर संसार से किसी की खुशियाँ कब देखी जाती हैं? मैं यौवन की दहलीज पर थी कि मेरे काटने की तैयारी प्रारम्भ हो गई। मुझे फला-फूला देखकर किसान का हृदय फूला न समाता था। पर यह खुशी उसकी थी, मेरे तो दुख का आरम्भ था।

क्रूर हाथों ने दर्राँती लेकर मुझे काट डाला। मैं अपने परिवार से पृथक कर दी गई। मेरा तो दिल पसीज गया। अभी मेरा दुखः कुछ कम भी न हुआ था कि मेरे ऊपर अत्याचारों का एक और दौर प्रारम्भ हुआ। मुझे एकत्रित करके मेरे ऊपर बैलों को चलाया फिराया गया। उनके पैरों के नीचे मैं दब गई, मैं चीत्कार कर उठी। परन्तु वहाँ मेरी सुनने वाला कौन था? मेरा वस्त्र (छाल) उतार दी गई, नग्न कर अपमानित किया गया। किन्तु मैं तो वैरागी बन गई थी, सब स्थितियों मुझे स्वीकार थी।

अब मेरे साथ कुछ सहानुभूति दर्शायी गई। मुझे साफ सुथरा बनाकर अलग ढेर में जमा कर दिया गया। मेरे दाने ऐसे चमक रहे थे जैसे सोने के कण हो। मुझे जाति प्रदान की गई, गेहूँ की ओर नाम दिया गया 'सोना' और तो और मुझे रजिस्ट्रेशन नम्बर भी दिया गया जो था — 15531 अब मुझे लगा कि मेरा जीवन भी महत्वपूर्ण हो गया है। मैं भी कुछ विशिष्ट वर्ग का व्यक्ति (वी. आई. पी.) हूँ। मेरे चमके हुए रूप को देखकर लोगों की आँखें चौंधियाँ गईं। अब मुझे बोरो में भरकर रख दिया गया, मानो जेलखाने में बन्द कर दिया हो। अगले दिन मेरी पेशी बाजार में हुई। वहाँ मेरा फिर ढेर लगा। दोपहर की तेज धूप ने मुझे विकल बना दिया। परन्तु इस गर्मी ने मेरे रूप में चार चाँद अवश्य लगा दिये।

अब मेरे नीलाम होने का क्षण आया। स्वयं को नीलाम करना कितना कष्ट दायक कार्य है, यह किसी मुक्तभोगी से पूछो। व्यापारियों के झुण्ड ने मुझे घेर लिया। और लगे मेरी परख करने। उस भीड़ में कुछ व्यक्ति अवश्य रहे होंगे तभी तो उस दिन बाजार में मेरी बोली सब से ऊँची लगी। मैं उस दिन बेताज रानी थी। वहाँ से मैं फिर बोरो में भरी गई किन्तु तोलकर अब मुझे छोटी दुकानों पर भेज दिया गया। वहाँ फिर मेरा प्रदर्शन हुआ। अब ये तुम्ही थे जो मुझे दुकान से खरीद लाए थे। घर पर लाकर मुझे स्नान कराया गया। फिर सुखाया गया मेरे विजातीय तत्वों को मुझसे पृथक किया गया। अब मैं चक्की पर दिसने के लिये तैयार थी। मुझे दो पाटों के बीच पीस डाला गया। दो पाटों के बीच साबुत बचा न कोई मुझ पर भी चरितार्थ हुआ। मेरा आटा बना और मैं पानी में मिलाकर गूँथी गई। उस आटे से बेलकर मुझे रोटी का स्वरूप दिया। फिर भी मुझे बक्शा नहीं गया। मुझे जलते हुए तवे पर डाल दिया गया, मेरा सारा शरीर जल गया और मैं फूल कर कुप्पा हो गई। और मेरे इस फूले रूप पर तुम मुग्ध हो रहे हो खाने के लिये लालयित हो। अब तुम मेरी कहानी सुन चुके हो। बताओ मेरे साथ तुम्हारी सहानुभूति है अथवा नहीं?

नुपूर, कक्षा दस



पाँच साल जो भुलाए नहीं जा सकते

कभी-कभी मनुष्य के जिन्दगी में ऐसा पल आता है जो भुलाने में असमर्थ रहता है। मनुष्य के जीवन में अनेक घटनाएँ होती हैं जो उसके मस्तिष्क में बैठ जाती हैं।

ऐसे ही कुछ लम्हें मेरी जिन्दगी के ही यह पाँच साल जो मैंने अपने स्कूल (हैम्पटन कोर्ट) में बिताए वह मैं कभी नहीं भूल सकती। जिन लम्हों में कभी हमें डाँट पड़ी है और कभी हमारी सराहना करी गई है। सुख, दुख और खुशी सब कुछ हुई।

जो शिक्षा मुझे स्कूल में मिली वह शायद ही कहीं से मिल सकती है एक हकीकत बताना चाहती हूँ कि जब मैं कक्षा छः में हैम्पटन कोर्ट आई, तो उस दिन पहली बार मुझे महसूस हुआ कि मैं स्कूल आई हूँ। मेरे पिछले स्कूल में तो मुझे ऐसा लगता था कि मैं स्कूल नहीं जेलखाने में जा रही हूँ। पहली बार ऐसा महसूस हुआ था, कि मेरी संगी साथी दोस्त सभी मेरे भाई-बहनो जैसे हैं और शिक्षक, शिक्षिकाएँ और सिस्टर माँ बाप की तरह हैं।

अपने स्कूल से बिछड़ने का गम आज भी मुझे खाया जाता है कि क्या मैं अपने स्कूल से अलग हो पाऊँगी? क्या मैं अपनी जिन्दगी के सबसे अच्छे बीते दिन अपने साथ लेकर चली जाऊँगी शायद यह मेरे लिए सबसे कठिन और दुखदायी होगा।

हाँ यह वायदा अपने स्कूल से जरूर कर सकती हूँ कि मैं अपने स्कूल से वापस मिलने जरूर आऊँगी। साथ ही यह अपेक्षा करती हूँ कि मेरे स्कूल के दरवाजे हमेशा मेरे लिए खुले रहेंगे। भगवान से यह प्रार्थना है कि मेरे स्कूल को हमेशा सब दुखों से दूर रखना।

आजा लौट आ मेरे बीते हुए 5 साल, वापिस आ जा मेरे पास!

मधुलिका भट्ट

कक्षा दस

कम्पनी बाग



मसूरी में बहुत सारे घूमने के स्थान हैं जिनमें से कम्पनी बाग एक है। कम्पनी बाग में पर्यटकों के लिए सारी सुविधाएँ हैं, यहाँ पर भिन्न-भिन्न प्रकार के फूल क्यारियों में उगाए गए हैं, जो देखने में बहुत सुन्दर लगते हैं। बच्चों के लिए तरह-तरह के झूले भी हैं, जिन पर बच्चे खूब मौज मस्ती करते हैं। यहाँ पर एक छोटा सा तालाब भी है, जिसमें बहुत सारी रंग बिरंगी मछलियाँ हैं, कुछ लोग तालाब में नाव से घूमने का भी आनंद उठाते हैं। यहाँ पर बहुत सारी दुकानें हैं, जिनमें पर्यटक खरीददारी करते हैं, फोटो खिंचवाते हैं और चाय नाश्ता भी करते हैं। मुझे कम्पनी बाग बहुत अच्छा लगता है।

जोहा खान, कक्षा तीन



कम्प्यूटर

कम्प्यूटर अर्थात् संगणक एक ऐसी इलेक्ट्रॉनिक मशीन जिसमें एक साथ हम बहुत सारी सूचनाएँ एकत्र कर सकते हैं।

हमारे देश ने पिछले 10-15 वर्षों में कम्प्यूटर के क्षेत्र में बहुत प्रगति की है। आज हमारे कम्प्यूटर विशेषज्ञ भारत में ही नहीं बल्कि पूरे विश्व में हमारे देश का नाम रोशन कर रहे हैं।

हमारे देश में कम्प्यूटर की शिक्षा स्कूल से ही दी जाती है। भारत के कम्प्यूटर विशेषज्ञों की मांग भारत में ही नहीं बल्कि विदेशों में भी बहुत है।

कम्प्यूटर चार प्रकार के होते हैं:

1. पर्सनल कम्प्यूटर – लेप टॉप, पाम टॉन
2. मिनी कम्प्यूटर
3. माइक्रोसोफ्ट कम्प्यूटर
4. सुपर कम्प्यूटर

कम्प्यूटर का उपयोग आज प्रत्येक क्षेत्र में किया जा रहा है। जिसमें से मुख्य निम्न प्रकार हैं।

भौगोलिक क्षेत्र: कम्प्यूटर के द्वारा हमें देश-विदेशों के मौसम के बारे में जानकारी प्राप्त होती है। इसके द्वारा हमें भौगोलिक परिवर्तनों की जानकारी होती है।

परिवहन क्षेत्र: कम्प्यूटर के द्वारा हम अपनी यात्रा का आने-जाने का रेल या – हवाई जहाज द्वारा आरक्षण करवा सकते हैं। दिल्ली में मेट्रो रेल पूरी तरह से कम्प्यूटर के द्वारा ही चल रही है। इस प्रकार यात्रा करना आसान हो गया है।

कृषि क्षेत्र: कृषि के क्षेत्र में भी कम्प्यूटर का उपयोग काफी हो रहा है। कम्प्यूटर के द्वारा हम कृषि की उन्नत तकनीक अपना सकते हैं। जिससे हमारा कृषि का उत्पादन बढ़ेगा।

विज्ञान का क्षेत्र: आज विज्ञान के क्षेत्र में भी कम्प्यूटर के कारण रिसर्च कार्यों में बहुत सहायता मिल रही है। मेडिकल के क्षेत्र में भी कम्प्यूटर ने बहुत प्रगति की है। आज अमेरिका में बैठा डाक्टर अपने मरीज की जाँच रिपोर्ट कम्प्यूटर की सहायता से



कुछ ही देर में जान सकता है।

संगीत: कम्प्यूटर के द्वारा हम अपनी पसंद का संगीत सुन सकते हैं।

शिक्षा का क्षेत्र: शिक्षा के क्षेत्र में भी कम्प्यूटर ने बहुत प्रगति की है। आज किसी भी विषय की जानकारी हमें कम्प्यूटर द्वारा आसानी से कुछ ही पल में मिल जाती है। अधिकतर परीक्षाओं के परिणाम आजकल इंटरनेट पर उपलब्ध हो जाते हैं। कम्प्यूटर के द्वारा हम अपने मित्रों व रिश्तेदारों को अपने संदेश विश्व में कहीं भी कुछ ही पल में भेज सकते हैं या उनसे प्राप्त कर सकते हैं।

पुलिस विभाग: कम्प्यूटर का प्रयोग दोषियों को पकड़ने में भी किया जाता है।

कम्प्यूटर का प्रयोग बड़े-बड़े शहरों में मल्टी-स्टोरी बिल्डिंग्स में लिफ्ट चलाने में भी किया जाता है।

औद्योगिक क्षेत्र: कम्प्यूटर का प्रयोग उद्योगों में भी किया जाता है।

आज कम्प्यूटर का प्रयोग प्रत्येक क्षेत्र में हो रहा है। यह हमारे जीवन की आवश्यकता बन चुका है।

सुमित शर्मा
कक्षा चार

हर की दून

हर की दून, हिमालय का रंग-रंगीला रसीला आँचल है। यह मसूरी से 161 किलोमीटर दूर है। यह उत्तरांचल के सीमान्त जिले उत्तरकाशी का सुन्दर, सुरम्य क्षेत्र है। हर की दून 2415 मीटर ऊँचाई पर है। यहाँ ऊँचें-ऊँचें देवदार, चीड़, बांज के घने घने जंगल हैं। बंदरपूँछ और आस-पास के शिखरों के हिमनदों से 'सूपिन' नदी निकलती है जो हर की दून की धड़कन है। हिमाचल प्रदेश से सटे फतेह पर्वत से निकलती है 'रूपिन' नदी। दोनों अलग-अलग दिशाओं में बहकर नेटवाड़ में आपस में मिलती है। यह आगे जाकर कालसी से मिल जाती है। नेटवाड़ से हर की दून तक सभी गांवों का एकमात्र देवता है 'समसू' समशिव मतलब महादेव। वैसे, हर की दून का शाब्दिक अर्थ है। 'शिव की तलहटी' हर मतलब शिव और दून मतलब, दो पहाड़ियों की गोद में बिल्कुल समतल घाटी। यहाँ लकड़ी के मकान हैं, जिनकी नक्काशी बहुत सुन्दर है। सभी भेड़-बकरियाँ पालते हैं। यही उनका मुख्य व्यवसाय है। यहाँ आलू, चौलाई, फाफरा, मुडुवा और सेम मुख्य भोज्य पदार्थ हैं।



हर की दून पहुंचने के लिए सबसे बढ़िया रास्ता मसूरी, नैनबाग, डामटा, नौगांव होते हुए है। यहीं से यमुनोत्री का कुछ मार्ग छोड़कर पुरोला पहुँचते हैं। पुरोला से दस किलोमीटर दूर है, जरमोला। यहाँ से 16 किलोमीटर दूर है नेटवाड़, वहाँ से 11 किलोमीटर है, ओसला और ओसला से आठ किलोमीटर दूर है 'हर की दून'। 'हर की दून', सचमुच सैलानियों के लिए स्वर्ग है।

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कक्षा आठ



अच्छा स्वास्थ्य एक महान वरदान है

एक सुगठित, दृष्ट-पुष्ट एवं निरोगी शरीर ही स्वास्थ्य शरीर कहलाता है। यह आवश्यक नहीं कि मोटा तगड़ा शरीर ही स्वास्थ्य शरीर है, अपितु मजबूत शरीर के साथ ही साथ निरोगी होना चाहिए उसे ही स्वस्थ शरीर एवं स्वस्थ व्यक्ति कहते हैं। यह सब तभी सम्भव है जब प्राणी के ऊपर ईश्वर की कृपा होगी, इसलिए कहते हैं कि अच्छा स्वास्थ्य एक महान वरदान है।

प्राणी को जीवन रूपी गाड़ी को सुचारु रूप से चलाने के लिए कई वस्तुओं की आवश्यकता होती है इन सभी आवश्यक वस्तुओं में स्वास्थ्य का स्थान सर्वोपरि है। इसीलिए विद्वानों का कहना है कि "स्वास्थ्य ही जीवन की कुंजी है"। अर्थात् यदि व्यक्ति का स्वास्थ्य अच्छा है तभी वह अपने लक्ष्य की प्राप्ति कर सकता है एवं एक सुखी जीवन जी सकता है। अधिकतर विद्वानों का यही मत है कि स्वास्थ्य एवं बुद्धि ये दोनों ईश्वरीय वरदान हैं, अर्थात् बुद्धि एवं स्वास्थ्य में प्रयास करके व्यक्ति थोड़ा बहुत परिवर्तन भले ही कर ले परन्तु पूर्ण रूप से परिवर्तित नहीं कर सकता है।

इसीलिए अच्छा स्वास्थ्य एक ईश्वरीय प्रदत्त महान वरदान माना जाता है। स्वस्थ शरीर सभी क्षेत्रों में चाहे वह विद्यार्थी हो, ब्रह्मचारी हो या गृहस्थ हो आवश्यक है, उदाहरणार्थ कुछ लोगों का मानना है कि ब्रह्मचारी या साधु सन्तों का स्वास्थ्य से क्या लेना देना है परन्तु ऐसा नहीं है, यदि एक योगी किसी असाध्य पीड़ा से तड़प रहा है तो ऐसे में उससे योग साधना की कल्पना करना मूर्खता नहीं तो और क्या है, इसलिए अच्छा स्वास्थ्य सभी जीवित प्राणियों के लिए आवश्यक है।

ऐसा भी नहीं है कि अच्छा खाने पीने या अधिक विश्राम करने से शरीर स्वस्थ रहता है। क्योंकि अधिक विश्राम शील एवं भोजन प्रिय व्यक्ति ही अदिक बीमार एवं अस्वस्थ रहते हैं। अदिक परिश्रम करने वाले एवं हल्का भोजन करने वाले व्यक्ति भी अस्वस्थ रह सकते हैं।

संतुलित आहार एवं नियमित कार्य तो उस स्वस्थ शरीर को बनाए रखने के लिए आवश्यक जो ईश्वर द्वारा हम सभी को निःशुल्क दिया गया है। इस प्रगतिशील युग में व्यक्ति पर इतने अधिक शारीरिक एवं मानसिक कार्य हैं कि व्यक्ति प्रकृति के द्वारा प्रदान की गई अमूल्य वस्तुओं का न तो सही तरीके से उपयोग कर सकता है ना ही वह इसका अहसास कर पाता है। आजकल समाज में प्रकृति द्वारा जो भी वस्तुएं संसारिक प्राणियों को उपहार में दी गयी हैं, वे या तो नष्ट होती जा रही हैं या उन्हें नष्ट करने की कोशिश की जा रही है। उदाहरणार्थ दुनिया में स्वच्छ हवा के स्थान पर बढ़ता प्रदूषण, वनस्पति एवं पेड़ पौधों को नष्ट करना, नदियों एवं जल स्रोतों को प्रदूषित करना, अपने स्वास्थ्य का ध्यान न रखना आदि। प्रायः देखने में आता है, कि बड़े-बड़े पूंजीपति या व्यापारी को यदि कोई रोग पकड़ ले और उसे चिकित्सक द्वारा विश्राम की सलाह दी जाती है, तो वह विश्राम नहीं कर पाता है, और विश्राम के विषय में पूछने पर या सलाह देने पर प्रायः एक ही उत्तर मिलता है कि विश्राम का समय ही नहीं है। ऐसा इसलिए होता है क्योंकि शरीर या स्वास्थ्य कहीं खरीद के तो पाया नहीं गया यह तो प्रकृति ने निःशुल्क दिया है।

अन्त में हम यही कह सकते हैं कि अच्छा स्वास्थ्य प्रकृति द्वारा किया गया एक महान वरदान है, इसलिए इस प्रकृति के निःशुल्क उपहार को बनाए रखना प्रत्येक प्राणी का कर्तव्य होना चाहिए तभी जीवन सुखी रह पाएगा।

प्रदीप रावत

कक्षा नौ



पेड़ लगाओ पर्यावरण बचाओ

पर्यावरण दो शब्द परिआवरण से मिलकर बना है। पर्यावरण को हम अपने आस-पास के वातावरण के रूप में भी जान सकते हैं। आजकल हम, जिस दौर से गुजर रहे हैं उसका सबसे पहला और आखिरी इलाज वृक्षारोपण ही है। पर्यावरण के दूषित होने का कारण है प्रदूषण। जैसे-जैसे वैज्ञानिक उन्नति होती जा रही है वैसे-वैसे प्रदूषण की समस्या विकराल रूप धारण करती चली जा रही है जिससे हमारा पर्यावरण खराब होता जा रहा है।

प्रदूषण चार प्रकार के होते हैं - वायु, जल, ध्वनि और भूमि प्रदूषण। से सभी किस्म के प्रदूषण हमारे पर्यावरण को दूषित करने में लगे हुए हैं। ये सभी प्रदूषण घातक बीमारियों को आमंत्रित करते हैं। पेड़ों को लगाने से हम इस मुसीबत से निपट सकते हैं। वृक्षों और पर्यावरण का गहरा एंव अटूट संबंध है। वृक्ष हर तरह से लाभदायक होते हैं। वृक्षों की डालियों से मकान बनाए जाते हैं उनके कन्दमूल फल खाकर भूख मिटाई जाती है। वृक्षों की उपयोगिता के कारण ही हमारे पूर्वजों ने इसकी पूजा का विधान बनाया था। पृथ्वी हरा-भरा और आकर्षक बनाने में वृक्षों का बहुत बड़ा योगदान है। ये कार्बन-डाइ-आक्साइड, जैसी विषैली गैस खींच लेते हैं। और आक्सीजन के रूप में हमें स्वच्छ वायु देती है जिससे मनुष्य और पर्यावरण दोनों सुखी रहते हैं।

परन्तु आजकल मनुष्य खुद ही अपनी खुशी अपने ही हाथों से नष्ट करने में लगा हुआ है, आए दिन वह लाखों की संख्या में वृक्ष काट अपनी इच्छाओं की पूर्ति कर रहा है। हालाँकि सरकार अपनी तरफ से हर संभव कोशिश कर रही हैं इस दुष्कर्म को खत्म करने की, पर सब बेकार। सरकार को चाहिए कुछ सख्त नियम लागू करे जिससे पेड़ की कटाई न के बराबर हो। पर्यावरण की उपयोगिता को बनाए रखने के लिए वृक्षारोपण आवश्यक है। वृक्ष हमारा जीवन है। वृक्षों के बिना हम और हमारा पर्यावरण स्वस्थ, सुखी एवं समृद्ध जीवन की आशा नहीं कर सकते। अतः हमें निरन्तर वृक्षारोपण द्वारा अपने पर्यावरण को बचाने का प्रयास करना चाहिए।

अपूर्व पंत, कक्षा पांच

एक अदभुत शब्द “टर”

पिताजी ने अपनी बेटी के पति से पूछा क्यों दामादजी क्या चाहिए आपको दहेज में, हंसकर दामादजी बोले - जी कुछ नहीं बस आपकी बेटी के साथ चाहिए ‘टर’। ससुर ने चकित होकर पूछा - ‘टर मतलब’ बोले दामाद - टर से मेरा मतलब है मोटर, स्कूटर, जनरेटर, रेफ्रिजरेटर, हीटर। चीखते हुए ससुर जी ने कहा हाँ हम आपको देगे अपनी डॉटर, जिसके हाथ में होगा एक हन्टर, बनवायेगी आपसे जो पनीर मटर, और मंगवायेगी आपसे टमाटर। पनीर और मटर में डालोगे आप शीतल वाटर। खिलाओगे उसे बनकर एक वेटर। यह बात सुनकर दामादजी भागते हुए नजर आए जैसे कोई हेलीकोप्टर।

अमीता चौहान, कक्षा नौ



सुन लो भाई

लड्डू मीठा, बरफी मीठी, मीठी सभी मिठाई,
लेकिन मम्मी सबसे मीठी सुन लो, सुन लो भाई।

हलवा प्यारा, मक्खन प्यारा, या फिर दूध मलाई,
लेकिन पापा सबसे प्यारे सुन लो, सुन लो भाई।

पिकनिक अच्छी, सर्कस अच्छा, गुड़िया का घर अच्छा,
सुन लो सुन लो भाई,
लेकिन मैडम सबसे अच्छी, अच्छी लगे पढ़ाई।
सुन लो सुन लो भाई,



आस्था थनाई

कक्षा चार

शिक्षा

भारत में ऐसे कई लोग हैं जो शिक्षित नहीं हैं। जैसे एक सिक्के के दो पहलू होते हैं। वैसे ही कुछ लोग गरीब तथा कुछ अमीर होते हैं। कुछ लोग गरीब होते हैं और स्कूल जाने के पैसे नहीं होते। वह लोग भीख माँगकर या मजदूरी करके अपना पेट पालते हैं।

भारत की आबादी करोड़ों में से करीब तीसः से ज्यादा लोग पढ़े-लिखे नहीं हैं और कई लोग पढ़कर भी बेरोजगार हैं। लोग पढ़ना लिखना नहीं चाहते और वह मजदूरी कर रहे हैं। उनकी अशिक्षा के कारण वह लड़के और लड़की में फर्क करते हैं। वह लड़की के पैदा होने पर उसे मार देते हैं। या बेच देते हैं यह कानूनी जुर्म है। इस जुर्म को रोकने के लिए सरकार ने कई नए कदम उठाए हैं।

सरकार ने गरीबों के लिए स्कूल व लड़कियों के लिए कॉलेजों का प्रबन्ध किया है। और नए कानूनों को लागू किया है। जो दिन में काम करते हैं उनके लिए रात के स्कूल खोले जा रहे हैं। पर इस सबके अलावा भी लोग बुरी आदतों में पड़ जाते हैं।

हमें भारत के लोगों को शिक्षित करना है। और हमें उन्हें बुरी आदतों से रोकना है। हमें अपने भविष्य को सुरक्षित करना है।



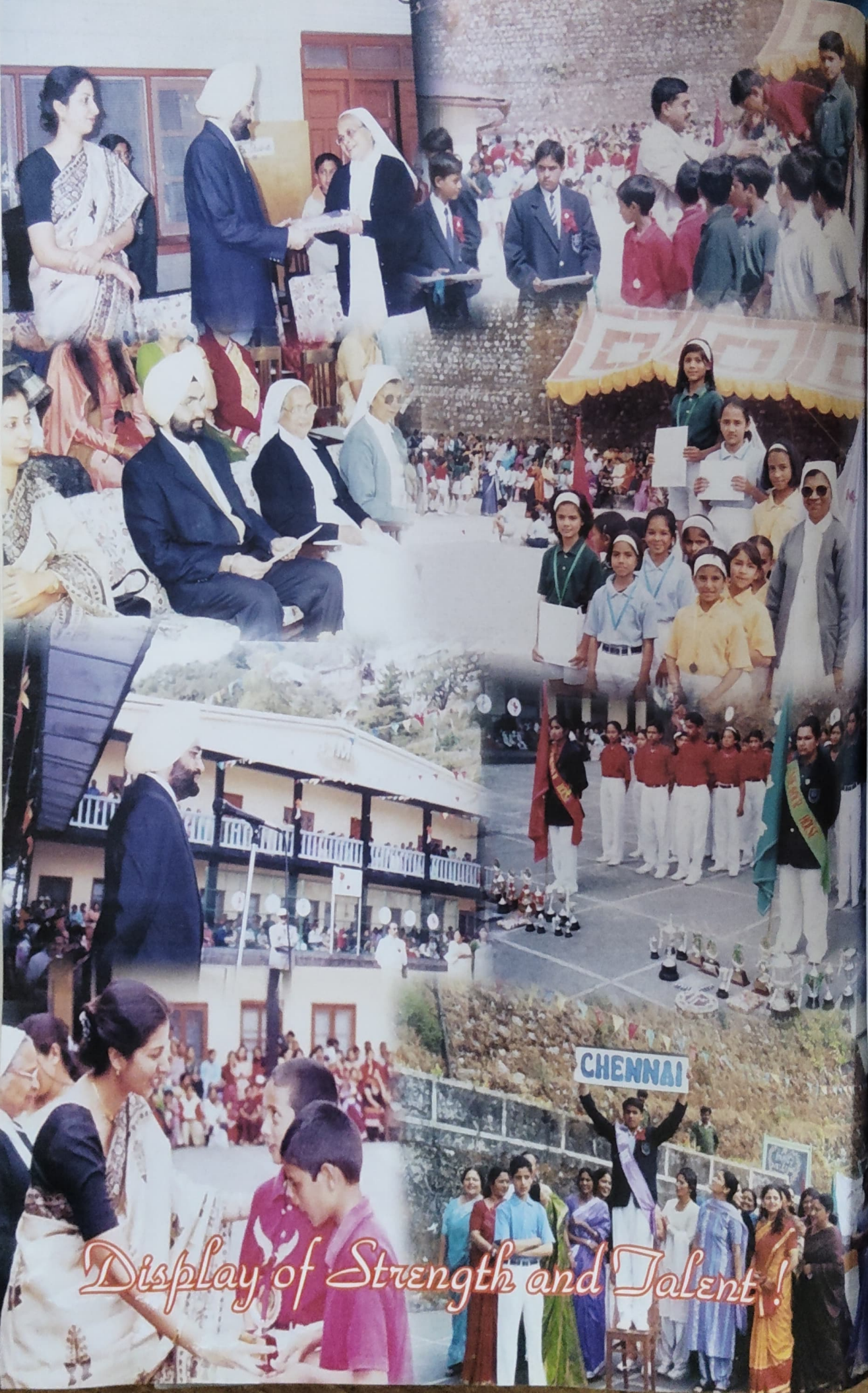
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पूरे विश्व में उत्तरांचल की संस्कृति ही है जो मानव को देवत्व की ओर ले जाती है।

उत्तरांचल की संस्कृति, सम्पन्न संस्कृति है। जहाँ सारा काम ढोल से होता है। उसके संरक्षण की आवश्यकता है। मसूरी मेरे लिए एक मंदिर है। जिसने उत्तरांचल राज्य बनाने में अपना महत्वपूर्ण योगदान दिया है। इसलिए इस वर्ष सन् 2003 में जहाँ सैलानी मसूरी के सुहावने मौसम का लुत्फ उठा रहे थे वहीं यहाँ की संस्कृति, रीति रिवाज और परंपरा को अभिव्यक्त करती लोक कलाओं की भी समझने की कोशिश कर रहे थे।

कई वर्षों बाद मसूरी में ग्रीष्मोत्सव का आयोजन पर्यटकों के लिए अत्यंत आकर्षक रहा। ग्रीष्मोत्सव के आयोजन के पीछे यह उद्देश्य था कि पर्यटन को बढ़ावा दिया जा सके तथा यहाँ की संस्कृति से देश विदेश के पर्यटकों को परिचित कराया जा सके।

सर्वप्रथम शोभा यात्रा का उद्घाटन पालिका अध्यक्ष श्रीमान मोहन मल्ल द्वारा किया गया यह शोभा यात्रा सर्वे चौक से गांधी चौक तक निकाली गई तथा वापस गढ़वाल टैरेस आने पर मुख्य अतिथि के सलामी लेने के पश्चात समाप्त हुई। शोभा यात्रा में 16 स्कूली छात्र, छात्राएँ व अन्य दल शामिल थे जिन्होंने पूरे रास्ते भर पर्यटकों का मनमोहा और उत्तरांचल की संस्कृति का आनन्द लिया।

गढ़वाल टैरेस मसूरी ग्रीष्मोत्सव का मुख्य अतिथि राज्य मंत्री किशोर उपाध्याय व जिलाधिकारी श्रीमति राधा रतूडी ने दीप प्रज्वलित कर विधिवत उद्घाटन किया इस प्रकार यह रंगारंग महोत्सव 6 जून से 9 जून तक चार दिनों के लिए था। इस महोत्सव में जहाँ एक ओर उत्तरांचल की संस्कृति से ओत-प्रोत संस्कृतिक रंगारंग कार्यक्रमों ने सबका मन मोह लिया। वहीं गढ़वाली पकवानों ने पर्यटकों को चटकारे लेलेकर उनको चखने पर मजबूर कर दिया। पर्यटकों ने बड़े चाव से इन पकवानों को खाया और तारीफ के पुल बांध दिये।



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(IAS), Vice Chairman,
MDDA.**

इस प्रकार मसूरी ग्रीष्मोत्सव का अंतिम दिन आ गया पूरे विधि विधान के साथ कार्यक्रम का समापन पर्यटन मंत्री टी. पी. एस रावत द्वारा किया गया। मसूरी ग्रीष्मोत्सव के इन शानदार चार दिनों ने मसूरी की रौनक में चार चाँद लगा दिए तथा पर्यटकों को मसूरी की ओर आने के लिए आकर्षित किया।

आशा करती हूँ कि इस प्रकार के महोत्सव व पर्यटकों का आवागमन सदा मसूरी व हमारे उत्तरांचल की शान बढ़ाता रहेगा।

श्वेता वैश्य, कक्षा चार



शिक्षक

गुरु ब्रह्मा, गुरु विष्णु, गुरु देवो महेश्वरः।

गुरु साक्षात्, परब्रह्मा तस्मै श्री गुरुवे नमः॥

हमारा भारतवर्ष अपने शिक्षको का सम्मान करता चला आ रहा है। शिक्षक उस मोमबत्ती की भांति है जो स्वयं जलकर दूसरो को प्रकाशित करती है। भारत की शिक्षा और समाज का गौरव पूर्व राष्ट्रपति सर्वपल्ली डा. राधाकृष्णन् को माना जाता है। इनके जन्म दिवस को शिक्षा दिवस के रूप में मनाया जाता है यह दिन शिक्षको की उनके कर्तव्य एवं समस्याओ का स्मरण कराता है।

शिक्षक को कभी हेय दृष्टि से नहीं देखा जाना चाहिये, उनका आदर और सम्मान किसी भी बड़े राजनीतिक और सामाजिक नेता से कही आगे किया जाना चाहिये, क्योंकि व्यक्तित्व एवं समाज के विकास में शिक्षा की महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका होती है। कबीरदास ने गुरु के प्रति अपना आदरभाव व्यक्त करते हुये कहा है।—

गुरु गोबिन्द दोऊ खड़े, काके लागो पाये।

बलिहारी गुरु आपणे जिन गोबिन्द दियो बताये॥

अर्थात् मेरे समक्ष गुरु और भगवान दोनो खड़े है तो में पहले अपने गुरु के पैर छुऊँगा।

पिता से तो हमें केवल यह शरीर प्राप्त हुआ है। परन्तु शिक्षक द्वारा हमें सफलता का मार्ग प्राप्त हुआ है। इसीलिये हम सदा अपने गुरु के चरणों में शीश नवाते हैं।

पार्थ रावत

कक्षा तीन

परिभाषा



कब्रिस्तान - दुनियां का आखिरी स्टेशन

चोर - रातों का शरीफ व्यापारी।

सांप - शंकर भगवान का नेकलेस।

चिन्ता - मोटे मनुष्य को पतला करने का उपाय।

विश्व - एक मानव धर्मशाला।

नीतिन नेगी

कक्षा नौ



लोकतंत्र (व्यंग)

आज लोकतंत्र एक मजाक बन गया है,
जनता का, जनता के लिए,
जनता के द्वारा चलने वाला यह लोकतंत्र
कुछ लोगों की हाथ की कठपुतली बन गया है।

जो नेता चुने जाते हैं,
कुर्सी मिलते ही देश में घोटाले कर
पहले अपनी गरीबी मिटाते हैं
जो नेता देश की सुरक्षा का दायित्व उठाते हैं
वही माफियाओं से चंदा जुटाते हैं
देश में अहिंसा के नाम पर जातिवादिता और हिंसा फैलाते हैं
कभी सोचती हूँ शिवांगी
क्या भविष्य है इस देश का
जहाँ अभिनेता भी नेता बन जाते हैं।
कहाँ गए वो लोग
जो देश के लिए मिट जाते हैं।



शिवांगी पोखरियाल
कक्षा पांच

अभिमान का फल

एक दिन पानी से भरे हुए कलश पर रखी कटोरी ने कलश से कहा – “कलश तुम बड़े उदार हो। तुम्हारे पास जो भी बर्तन आता है, उसे तुम भर देते हो, किसी को भी खाली नहीं जाते देते हो” कलश ने कटोरी की बातें सुनकर कहा – “हाँ मैं अपने पास आने वाले प्रत्येक पात्र को भर देता हूँ। मेरे अन्दर का सारा सार दूसरों के लिए है। कटोरी बोली – “लेकिन मुझे कभी नहीं भरते”। जबकि मैं हर समय तुम्हारे सिर पर मौजूद रहती हूँ। कलश ने कहा – इसमें मेरा कोई दोष नहीं है। दोष तुम्हारे अभिमान का है, तुम सदैव अभिमान पूर्वक मेरे सिर पर चढ़ी रहती हो, जबकि अन्य पात्र मेरे पास आकर झुकते हैं। और स्वयं की पात्रता सिद्ध करते हैं। तुम भी अभिमान छोड़कर मेरे सिर से उतरकर विनम्र बनो, मैं तुम्हें भी भर दूँगा। इस लघु प्रसंग से हमें एक शिक्षापद सीख मिलती है, कि पूर्णता की प्राप्ति पात्रता एवं नम्रता से होती है। अभिमान तथा अहंकार से नहीं।

अभिलाषा नेगी
कक्षा पांच



कमीज की आत्मकथा

मैं एक सफेद और काली धारियो वाली कमीज हूँ। मेरा आकार आजकल की आम कमीजों जैसा है जो अन्य लोग बाजार में पहनते हैं। मैं अपने मालिक की मन पसन्द कमीज हूँ और मुझे इस बात का बहुत गर्व है। एक यह ही बात है जिसके कारण मेरी सहेलियाँ मुझसे फासला रखती हैं। वे सब लोग इस बात से बहुत ईर्ष्या करती हैं। पर मुझे इस बात से कोई फर्क नहीं पड़ता।

जब मेरे मालिक मुझे बाजार पहन कर जाते हैं तो लोग अक्सर यह सवाल पूछते हैं "आपकी कमीज पर काले में सफेद धारी कि सफेद पर काली" वह अक्सर मुस्करा कर कहते "आप जो समझें। मेरे जोड़े की एक टाई भी है पहनते ही मेरे ऊपर चार चाँद लग जाते हैं।

आज मेरे मालिक मुझे अपनी बड़ी बेटी के जन्मदिन पर पहन कर जायेगे और मुझे नहीं पता मेरा दिन कैसा बीतेगा। पर मैं बहुत उत्सुक हूँ।

लेकिन मेरी उत्सुकता का अन्त तब हुआ जब मेरे ऊपर एक व्यञ्जन का दाग पड़ गया। अब मैं धोबी के पास धुलने गई हूँ।

मानुषि शर्मा
कक्षा आठ

चिड़िया

चिड़िया गाती गीत, सबकी है वो मीत।

सबको अपने पास बुलाती, मीठे, मीठे गीत सुनाती।।

मैना है कितनी न्यारी, लगती है कितनी प्यारी।

सबकी है वो राजदुलारी, बातें करती न्यारी, न्यारी।।

तोता तो है मिट्ठू राजा, कहता है वह आजा, आजा।

वह हमारी बोली बोलता, हमसे वह बातें करता।।



प्राची पण्डित
कक्षा आठ



आदर्श विद्यार्थी

भूमिका:

किसी भी प्रकार का ज्ञान प्राप्त करने वाले व्यक्ति को विद्यार्थी कहते हैं। विद्यार्थी का सबसे बड़ा उद्देश्य ज्ञानार्जना करना होता है। जो व्यक्ति अपने समय का उपयोग न करके उसे नष्ट कर देता है वह युवावस्था में धन प्राप्त करने के योग्य नहीं होता।

विद्यार्थी कौन है:

सामान्य शब्दों में विद्यार्थी दो शब्दों "विद्या तथा अर्थी" के मेल से बना है। इसका अर्थ होता है विद्या प्राप्त करने वाला। विद्यार्थी का सबसे बड़ा गुण जिज्ञासा होता है। उसका दूसरा गुण परिश्रम होता है। सतर्कता, एकाग्रता और सचेत नींद सोने वाला ही सच्चा विद्यार्थी कहलाता है। इन सब गुणों के मेल से ही एक आदर्श विद्यार्थी उत्पन्न होता है।

विद्यार्थी का देश के प्रति योगदान:

सब जानते हैं कि आज का विद्यार्थी ही कल का नागरिक है। उसके खुद के भविष्य व देश की उन्नति में उसका बहुत बड़ा हाथ होता है।

विद्यार्थी जीवन की विशेषता:

कई लोग समझते हैं कि विद्यार्थी जीवन बड़ा ही कठोर व दुखमय होता है। किन्तु यह धारणा उचित नहीं है। विद्यार्थी को किसी भी बात की चिन्ता नहीं होती खेल कूद के इतने अवसर किसी और को प्राप्त नहीं होते जितने की एक विद्यार्थी को प्राप्त होते हैं। आजकल शिक्षा में पर्यटन को भी बहुत बढ़ावा मिल रहा है। इस तरह के पर्यटनों में विद्यार्थियों को अनेक स्थानों पर ले जाकर उन्हें उस स्थान के बारे में जानकारी दी जाती है।

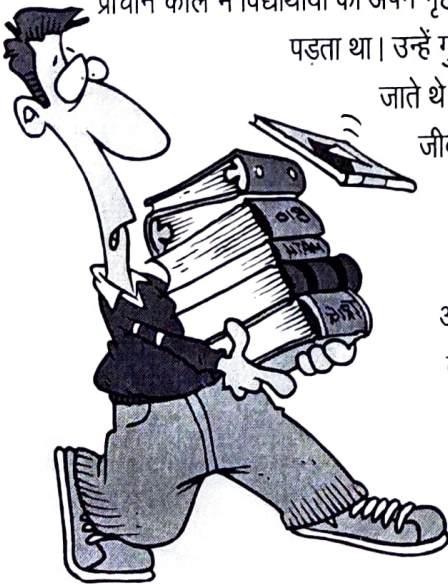
प्राचीन विद्यार्थी:

प्राचीन काल में विद्यार्थियों को अपने गृह का सुख व आराम छोड़कर आश्रमों में अपने गुरुओं के पास जाकर रहना पड़ता था। उन्हें गुरुओं से ज्ञान प्राप्त होता था। इस प्रकार राजा या रंक दोनों समान समझे जाते थे। कृष्ण व सुदामा एक ही गुरु के आश्रम में पढ़े थे। प्राचीन विद्यार्थियों का जीवन सादा व प्राकृतिक होता था।

उपसंहार:

समय जाकर कभी नहीं लौटता इसलिए विद्यार्थी को चाहिए कि अपना समय नष्ट न करें। बल्कि उसका उचित उपयोग करे। कोई व्यक्ति आदर्श विद्यार्थी तब ही बन सकता है जब वह अपने गुरु के प्रति श्रद्धावान और अपने इरादों के प्रति निष्ठावान हो।

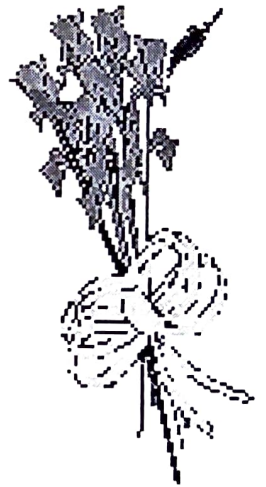
नीतिन नेगी
कक्षा नौ



मसूरी

मसूरी पर्वतों की रानी है,
दिल के लिए लुभावनी है।
वे टंडी टंडी हवाएँ,
इसे कर देती है लुभावना।

सब आते है यहाँ, टंडी टंडी हवा महसूस करने को,
इसलिए मैं कहता हूँ कि, सब है मसूरी के दिवाने।
अगर कभी आओ, तो तभी पता चलेगा,
कि क्यों है मसूरी पर्वतों की रानी।



शुभम पुजारी
कक्षा आठ

मसूरी का नजारा

टिम-टिमा रहे हैं घर
जैसे अंधेरे में दीपकों का उजाला
सर्द हवा लहरा रही है,
जैसे झूमे लहरों से किनारा
वर्षा में मसूरी को देखो
आया टिप-टिप करती बूंदों का फुव्वारा।
रात-रानी महक उठी
सुगन्ध से और सज गया

रजनी का सौन्दर्य प्यारा
और अचानक कभी भी
चपला से काँप उठा व्योम
बादलो से मग्न हो सारा
यह है दिलकश लुभाने वाला
मसूरी का नजारा!



वन्दना रावत
कक्षा आठ



मसूरी

यूँ तो कई शहर हैं,
पर एक न मुझको भाया,
नाम है जिसका मसूरी,
वही मेरे मन पर छाया।

नीले-नीले झरने हैं,
और हैं ऊँची पहाड़ियाँ।
लोगों का मन मोह लेती है,
यहाँ की हरियालियाँ।



पहाड़ों की रानी यह कहलाती,
सबको अपने पास बुलाती,
सबको अपने दृश्य दिखाती,
लोगों का मन बहलाती।



शाहीना शैख,
वन्दना रावत
कक्षा आठ

मेरा देश है महान

भारत जैसा देश देखा न हमने कभी,
लोग यहाँ रहते हैं, मिलजुलकर सभी

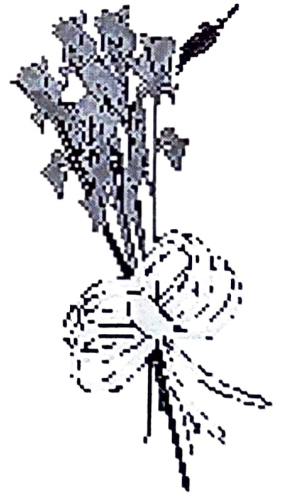
इस देश में प्रचलित है अनेक धर्म,
लोग यहाँ नेता बनने के लिए क्या-क्या न करते कर्म

हम सब करते इस देश से प्यार,
वह लोग कायर हैं, जो करते हैं अपने देश पर वार

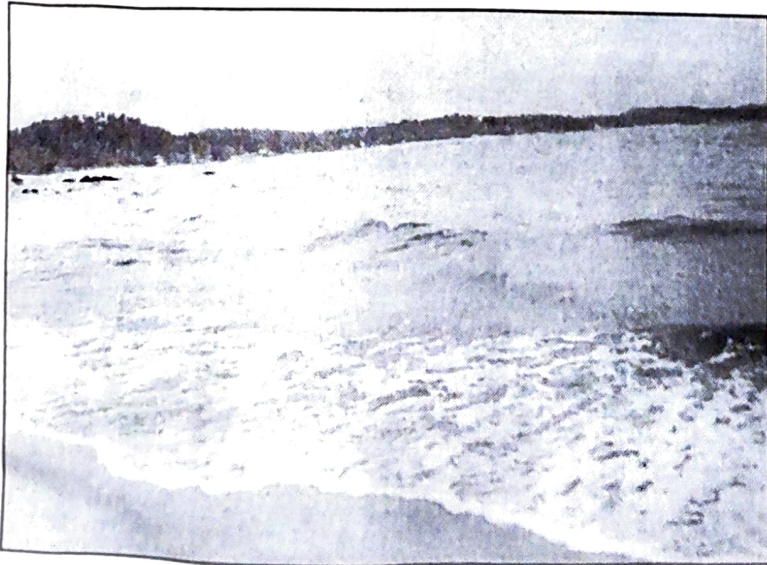
सभी धर्म के लोगों के यहाँ होते हैं अनेक विचार,
कभी आपस में झगड़ते, तो कभी करते हैं प्यार

पड़ोसी देशों के साथ, भारत के रहते हैं अच्छे व्यवहार,
इन देशों में जिस देश की विजय होती,
वो अंत में बन जाते हैं एक दूसरे के भाई,
करते हैं आपस में प्यार

भारत जैसे महान देश में जन्म लेना है एक गर्व की बात,
हिन्दु, मुस्लिम, सिक्ख, ईसाई रहते हैं भाईचारे के साथ-साथ।



अजय सिंह गुंसोला
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“दहेज—प्रथा— इस युग की समस्या”

भारतवर्ष की सभ्यता और संस्कृति बहुत प्राचीन है। इस प्राचीनता पर हम गर्व करते हैं क्योंकि हमारी संस्कृति में बहुत सारी अच्छाइयाँ थी, जो अन्य देशों की संस्कृतियों में नहीं थी। यह भी सच है कि कुछ बुराइयाँ हमारे समाज में जन्म ले चुकी हैं। ऐसी ही एक बुराई दहेज की प्रथा है। विवाह के समय वधू के माता-पिता द्वारा दिया गया दन ही दहेज कहलाता है। माना जाता है कि यह प्रथा बहुत ही पुरानी है।

इस नए युग में शिक्षा का प्रचार होने के बावजूद भी यह समस्या बनी हुई है। लड़की का पिता होना तो एक अभिशाप ही हो गया है। चाहे लड़की पढ़ी लिखी हो या फिर अच्छी जगह काम करती हो, यह समस्या तो कभी भी उसका पीछा नहीं छोड़ती। देखा जाता है कि मांगा हुआ दहेज न देने पर लड़की पर अत्याचार किए जाते हैं। यहाँ तक की बारात लौटा ले जाने तक की धमकियाँ दी जाती हैं। आजकल अखबारों में बहुओं को जलाए जाने की अनेक घटनाएँ पढ़ने को मिलती हैं।

इस स्थिति पर दोषी कौन है? दहेज की मांग करने वाले लड़के के माता-पिता या फिर लड़का खुद? लड़की भी दोषी है जो ऐसे दन के लोभियों के घर में बहु बनकर जाने के लिए तैयार है साथ में लड़की के माता-पिता जो बिना किसी सोच-विचार के दहेज दे देते हैं।

किसी को दोषी ठहराने से ऐसी प्रथा समाप्त नहीं हो सकती। सरकार के द्वारा भी इस समस्या के कई उपाय दूढ़ने की कोशिश की गई है। दहेज के लिए बहु को तंग करने वाले लोगों को तो जेल में डाल देना चाहिए। तरह-तरह के रास्तों से दहेज प्रथा की बुराइयों को जनता के सम्मुख लाना चाहिए। कुल मिलाकर सारे समाज को इस समस्या को मिलकर मिटाना है। इस प्रथा को तभी पूरी तरह से नष्ट किया जाएगा।



पारुल रावत

कक्षा दस





एक आविष्कार अपने कमरे में मकड़ी पर प्रयोग कर रहा था उसने मकड़ी की दो टांगें काटी उसने कहा चल मकड़ी चली उसने मकड़ी की दो और टांगें काटी उसने कहा चल वो चली तब उसने मकड़ी की दो और टांगें काट दी उसने कहा चल मकड़ी नहीं चली तब उसने अपनी किताब में लिखा मकड़ी की सारी टांगें काटने के बाद वह बहरी हो जाती है।

चटकला



कक्षा - सात
तारा रविन्द



हो रहा क्यों नहीं मैं सकल
क्यों मन भरा है भटकला
भेद भाव को कैसे मिटा दूँ
कौन सा वरदान माँगू
हो सभी कुछ, प्राण प्रिय गुम।

हो सभी कुछ, प्राण प्रिय गुम
रह रहा मैं भेद में क्यों,

रूप सब सुन्दर है गुम्हार
सभी तेरे है गुम्हार
सब दिशाओं में गुम्ही गुम हो
किसे छोड़ूँ किसे पाऊँ
रूप तेरा है निराला
जो पूरे जग को है निहारता
कौन सा वरदान माँगू

कौन सा वरदान माँगू।



विडिया घर में रहते हैं।
ताकतवर है। दूसरा दोस्त अच्छा तो फिर वो कौन से
ताकतवर, बीते के तरह फुलीले, और हाथी के तरह
एक लड़का दोस्त से कहते हुए मेरे पापा और के तरह

चटकला



Each child is a precious
gift from God to His Church
~ Mt. Jeremia

We Love you Children!
We do!

(My childhood came back to me- Anil Raturi in his speech to the audience)

Annual day



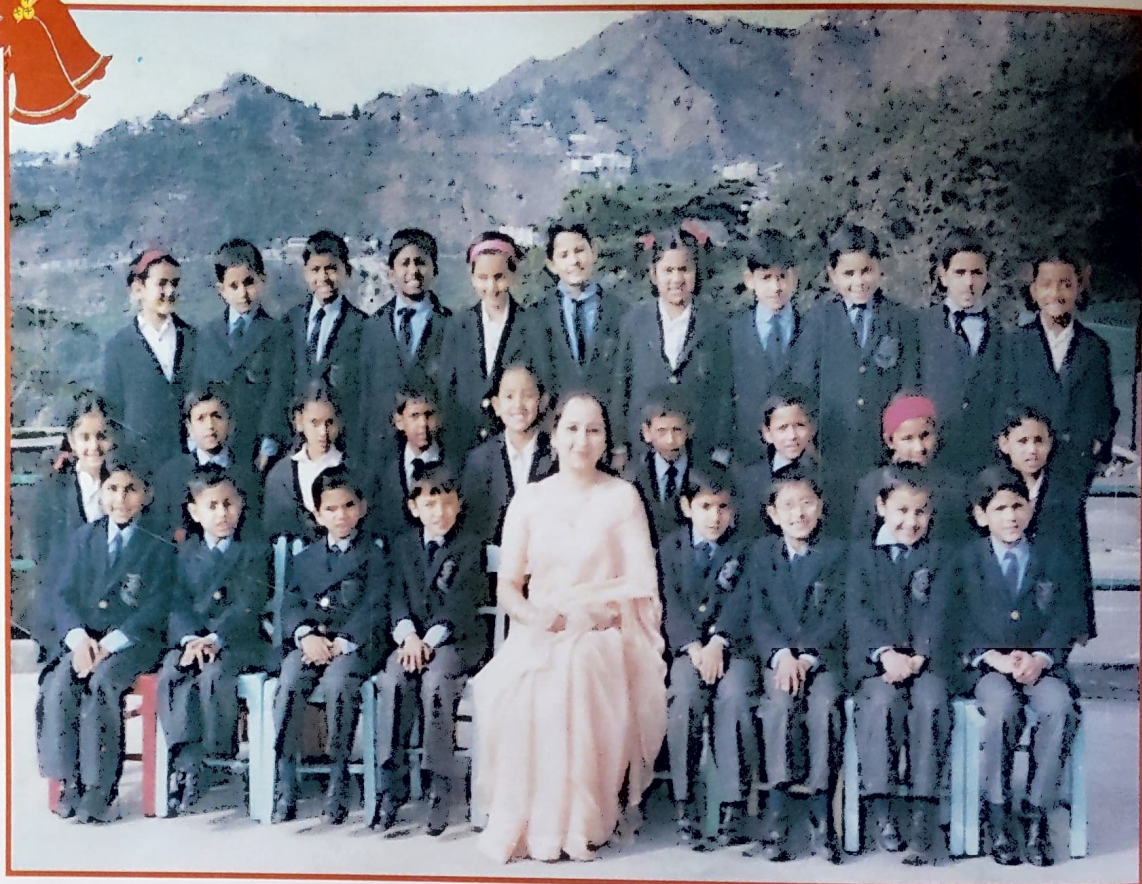
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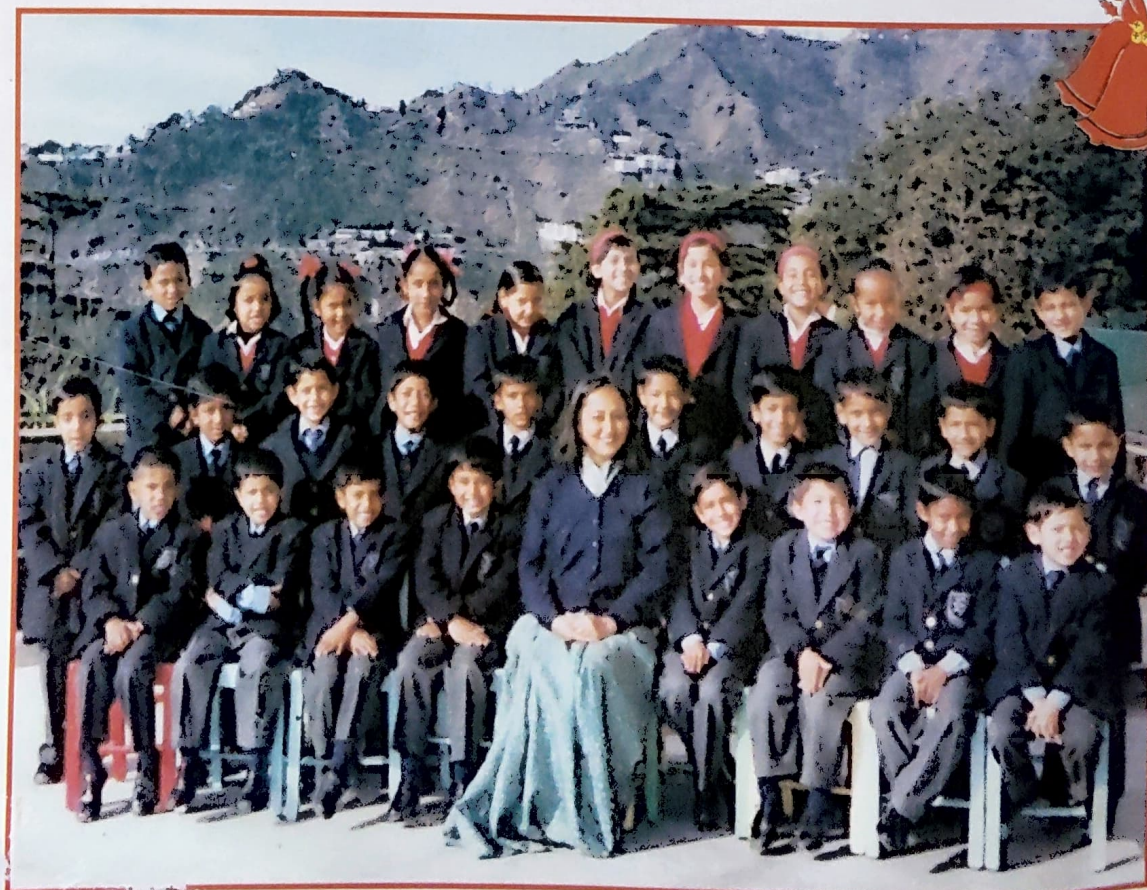
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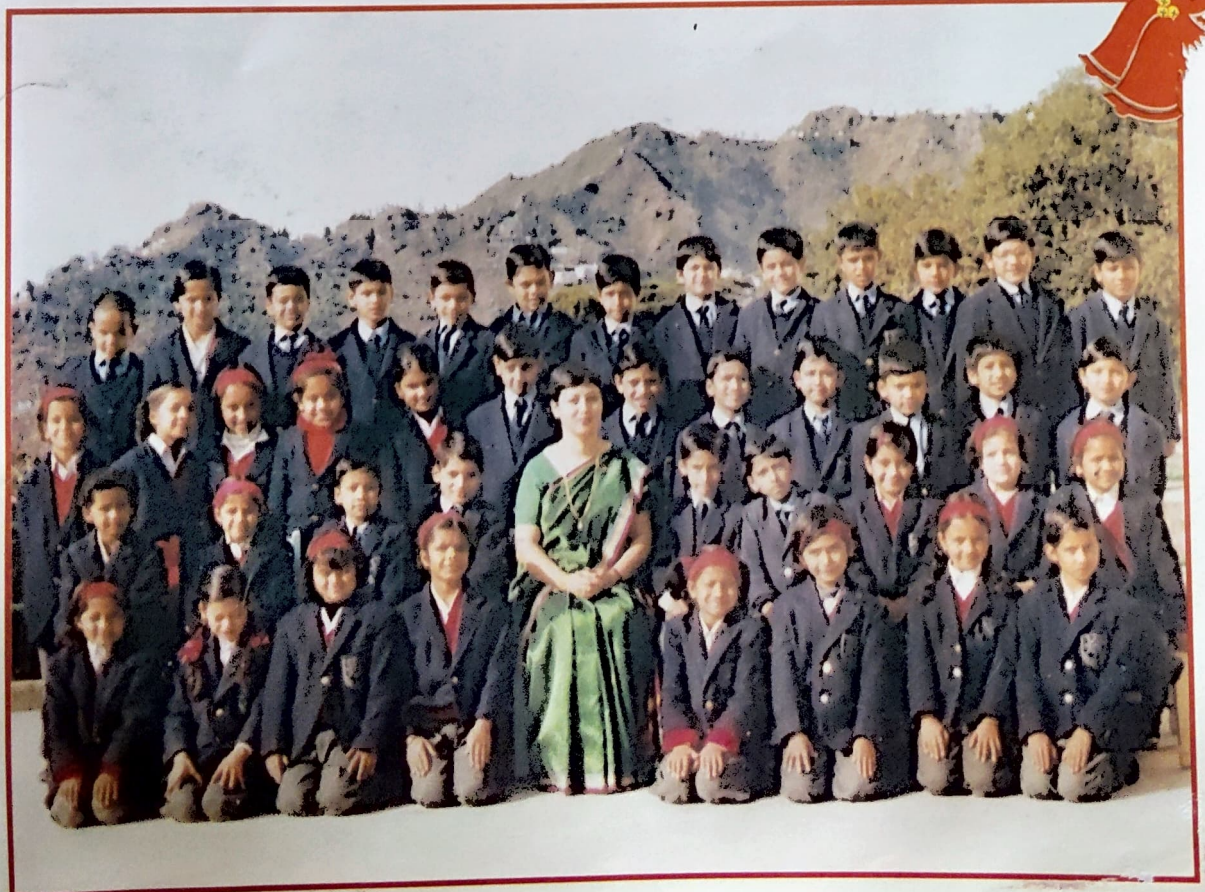
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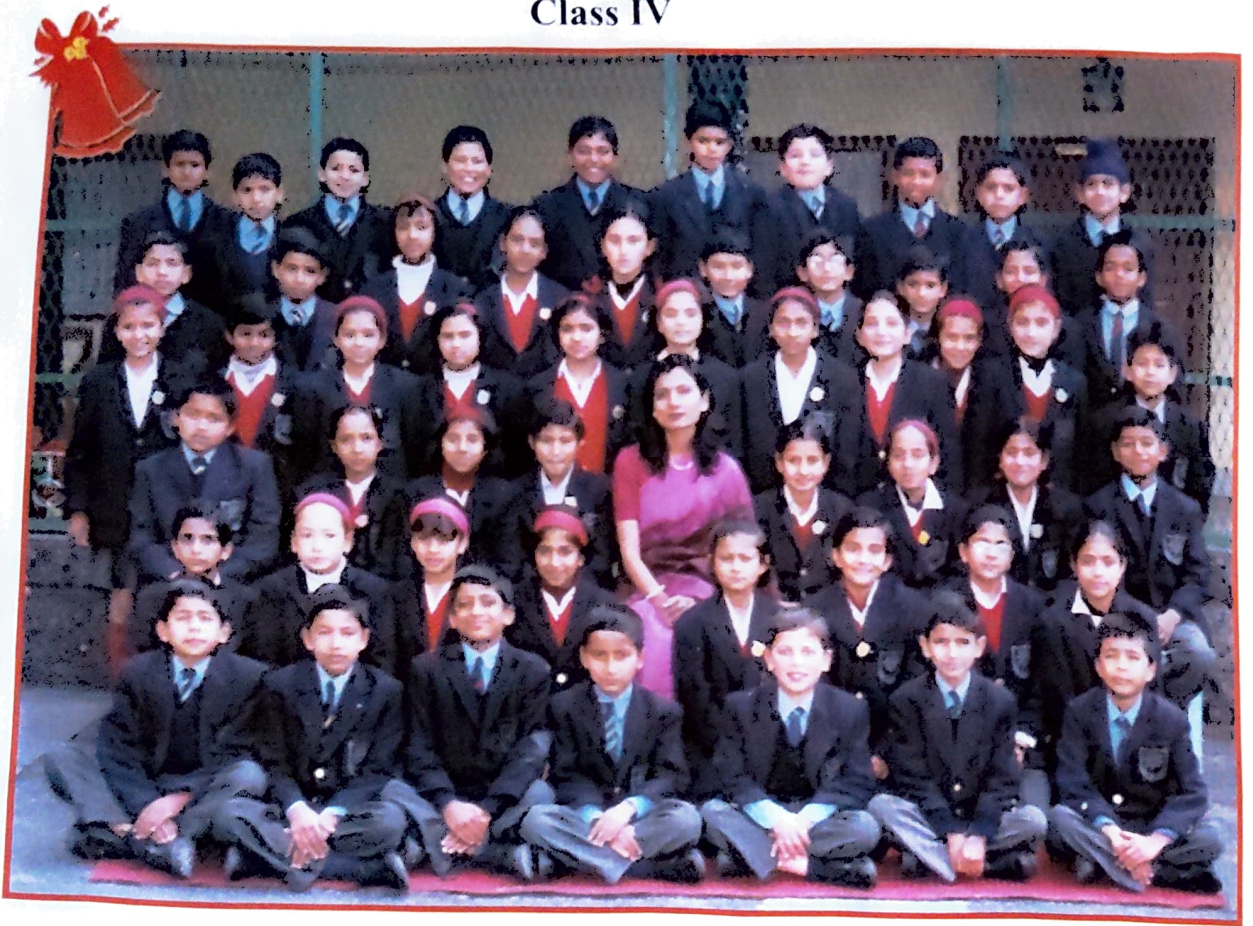
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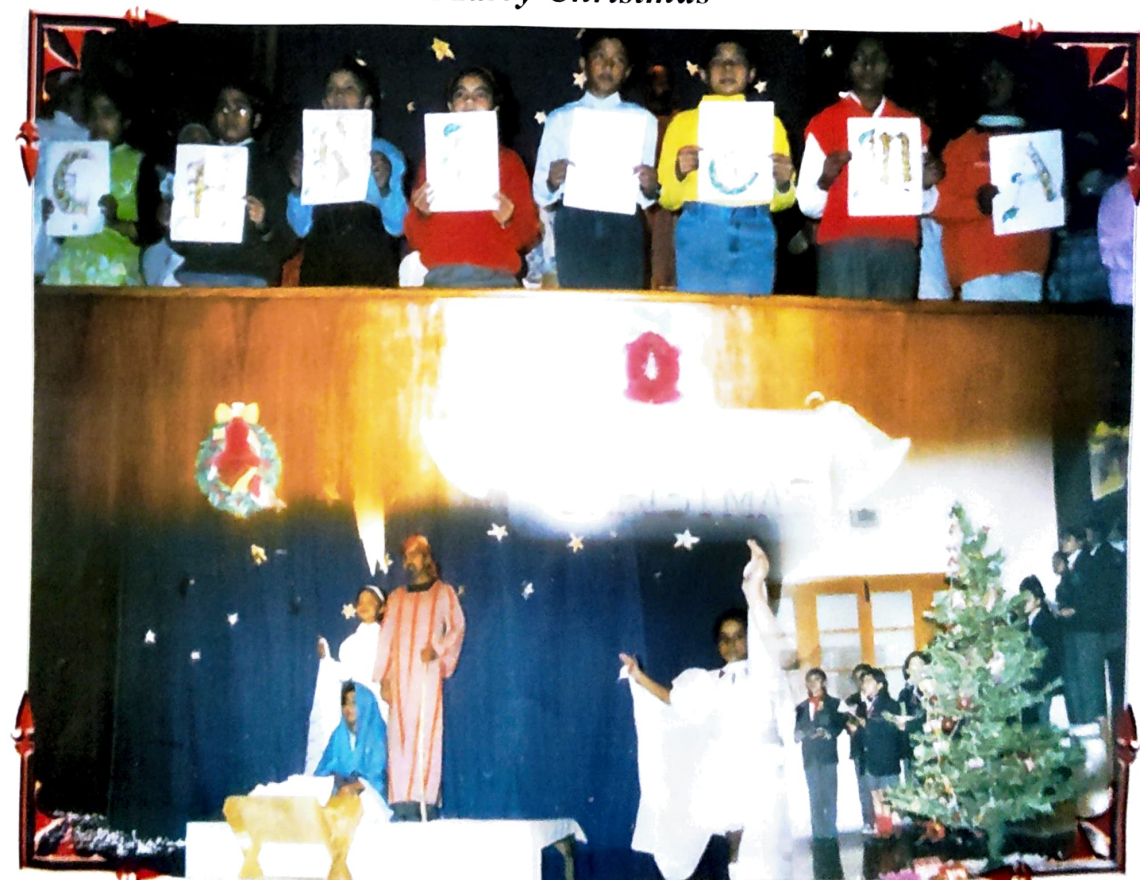
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Marry Christmas



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Environment

In Hampton Court, a wonderful programme combines environment awareness and social care. Students save waste paper, plastic etc. These are given to the rag pickers who sell them for recycling, and thus can earn with dignity, a living for their families. In the same purpose of environment awareness, a reforestation programme has been undertaken in order to save and develop the natural richness of the Himalayas- Rev.Mother.Aurora (Superioress General)



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