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NEWSLETTER

APRIL & MAY 2026





THE JUNIOR CHRONICLE

With great enthusiasm, the Junior School presents the first edition of our newsletter for the academic year 2026-27. Through these pages, we are happy to share the vibrant learning experiences, joyful celebrations, creative activities, and memorable moments that make our school really special.

As the first quarter of the academic session begins, our students step into their new classes with excitement, curiosity, and enthusiasm for the experiences that await them. One of the most special occasions during the first quarter is the Founder's Day, celebrated on 5th May to honour the life and legacy of Brother Edmund Rice. Through this newsletter, we also take the opportunity to shine a light on **Edmund Rice International (ERI)**, the larger global family of which our school is a proud part, working towards education, justice, and compassion for all.

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Guided by the vision of Brother Edmund Rice, ERI works alongside a number of organisations and NGO's across the world to uphold justice, dignity, and equality. With a presence at the United Nations, it brings global concerns to light and strives to build a more compassionate and hopeful world.

Read more on the website:www.edmundriceinternational.org

INVESTITURE CEREMONY

16th April

The St. John's Junior School Investiture Ceremony for the academic session 2026–27 was conducted during the morning assembly, centered on the theme of leadership. The event aimed to instill a sense of responsibility and pride among students while formally appointing the newly elected House Captains and Vice-Captains.







The Junior School of St. John's High School conducted the Student Council Elections for students in a well-organized two-phase process to select the Captains and Vice-Captains for the houses.

	CAPTAINS	VICE-CAPTAINS
BR. CREASE HOUSE	ABHEER PRATAP BALI 5B	GAUTAM 4C
BR. RICE HOUSE	SAHIR SHARMA 5C	AYAAN MANTRAO 4B
BR. MORRISSEY HOUSE	DIVYAM SIKKA 5D	RUDRANSH SINGH 4D
BR. O'KEEFEE HOUSE	SHAURYA DANG 5C	HETAKSH GOYAL 4D

Inauguration of the newly renovated Junior School Library







30th April

The school community at St. John's High School witnessed a heartwarming occasion with the dedication and inauguration of the newly renovated Junior Library, generously undertaken by Mr. Vikrant Raina in loving memory of his mother, Mrs. Durga Raina, who served the institution with distinction for over three decades.

A highly respected educator, Mrs. Raina devoted her life to nurturing young minds and fostering a love for reading and learning, leaving behind a legacy that continues to inspire generations of Johnians.

The ceremony was graced by Mr. Vikrant Raina, Dr. Raina, former Head of the Department of English at Panjab University, Dr. Anubhav, Mr. Naresh Uppal, Mr. Vivek Sood, and Mr. Daanish Mangat.

The event concluded with the unveiling of the commemorative plaque and a heartfelt vote of thanks to the Raina family for their generous contribution.

The renovated library now stands as a vibrant space that will continue to nurture curiosity, learning, and the enduring Johnian spirit.



EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

SAFETY WEEK

20th TO 24th APRIL



St. John's High School successfully organized Safety Week from 20th to 24th April 2026, focusing on creating awareness about safety measures among students and parents.

The week was packed with engaging activities, workshops, and presentations tailored to different age groups to ensure the message reached effectively.













Day 1: Monday, 20th April

Safety Week at St. John's High School began with an awareness campaign on bullying and related issues, led by students who went from class to class sharing key messages.

A short play highlighting the effects of bullying was performed by students .

The session also addressed what students can do if they are being bullied or witness it.

The day set the tone for understanding, empathy, and responsible action.

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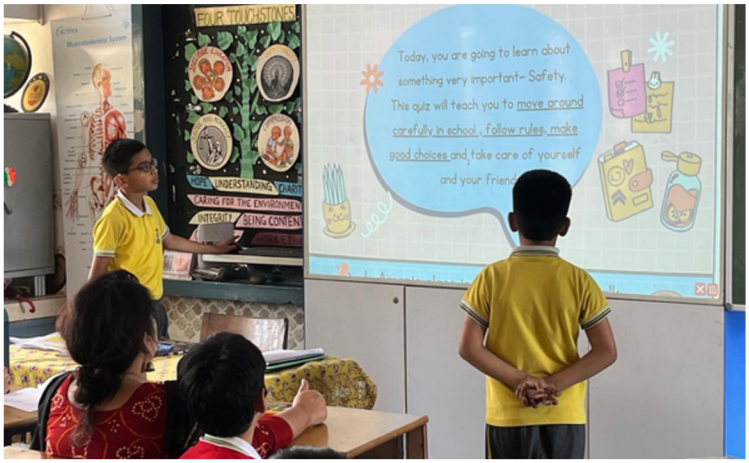

Day 2: Tuesday, 21st April 2026

The day commenced with a Special Assembly on safety, where students thoughtfully demonstrated essential precautions to be followed during emergencies.

This was followed by Disaster Management drills, with students actively practicing Earthquake safety measures.

A special class-wise quiz further reinforced awareness, engaging students in understanding the importance of staying safe in school.





Day 3: Wednesday, 22nd April

Midweek activities focused on practical safety skills and personal awareness:

Class 5 students attended a session titled "Understanding Personal Boundaries and Safe Interactions" held on Wednesday, 22nd April 2026. The session was conducted by Ms. Manjula Salaria, a Life Skills Coach, Social Entrepreneur, and certified POSH & POCSO trainer.

She guided students on identifying personal space, recognizing safe vs. unsafe touch, and appropriate ways to seek help. The interactive session helped students build awareness and confidence to navigate social situations safely.

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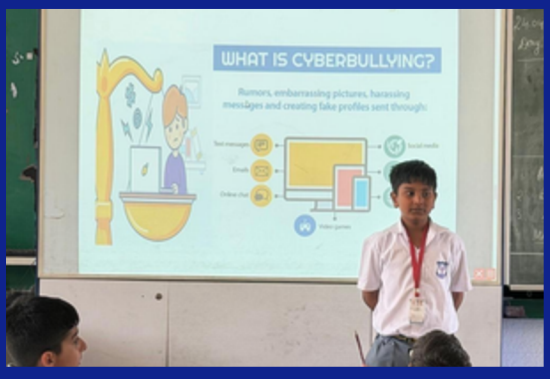
Day 4: Thursday, 24th April

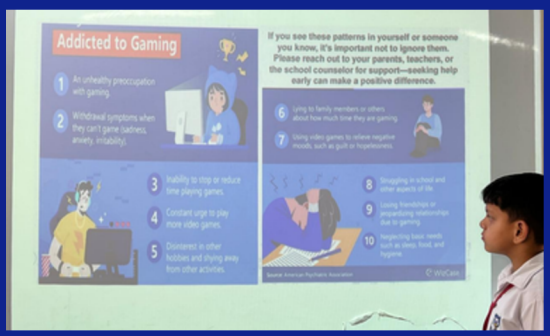
The day revolved around reinforcing safety knowledge and encouraging proactive actions:

The students of Class KG, 1 and 2 engaged in creative worksheet activities. Through these, they explored concepts of safe and unsafe touch, and making safe choices. They also learned about safety at school and at home. The activities helped reinforce awareness in a simple and age-appropriate manner.









Day 5: Friday, 24th April 2025

Students of Classes 4 and 5 attended an informative session on Cyber Safety. The session focused on raising awareness about the risks associated with internet usage, including online addiction and unsafe digital practices. Students were guided on making responsible choices while navigating the online world.

A detailed presentation was shared with parents through the school portal, offering insights into parental controls and practical strategies to monitor and guide children's online activities. Parents were encouraged to use this as an opportunity to initiate meaningful conversations and reinforce safe digital habits at home.

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Disaster Mangement Drills

MOCK EARTHQUAKE DRILL

21st April

The students participated in an earthquake drill to understand safety measures during emergencies. As the first bell rang, they immediately followed the "Duck, Drop, and Cover" technique inside their classrooms. After the second bell, the boys calmly evacuated the school premises in an orderly manner and assembled safely in the designated area.









Mock Fire Drill

4th May

A mock fire drill was conducted today at school . As soon as the fire alarm sounded, all students and staff members were evacuated to their designated open areas within 2.5 minutes.

The drill was conducted as a practice exercise for the students. All students walked in proper lines and reached their designated spots under the supervision of their teachers. The teachers carried class lists and placards, ensured orderly movement, and counted the students after reaching the assembly area. Once everything was confirmed, the students were escorted back to their classrooms in a disciplined manner.

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ECO CLUB INITIATIVES

EARTH DAY CELEBRATION

22nd April



On the occasion of Earth Day, various eco-friendly activities were conducted by the Eco Club for Classes 1 to 5.

Class 1 students took a pledge to protect and care for the Earth.

Class 2 students participated in an activity on sorting wet and dry waste, helping them understand proper waste management.



Students of Classes 3 and 5 showcased their creativity through poster-making activities on the theme of saving the Earth.

Class 4 students made leaf puppets, promoting the idea of using natural and eco-friendly materials.

The activities helped students become more aware of environmental issues and encouraged them to adopt eco-friendly habits in their daily lives.

The event concluded with a message to take small steps towards a greener and healthier planet.







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EARTH DAY CELEBRATION

22nd April



A Thought-Provoking Presentation on Earth Day & Laudato Si'

During the Earth day assemble, the students of Class 5C presented a meaningful short play on Earth Day and Laudato Si', highlighting the importance of caring for our common home through sustainable living and mindful choices. Through their performance, they shared the message of reuse, reduction, and responsible consumption, while helping the audience understand the difference between needs and wants. The presentation encouraged everyone to adopt simple lifestyle changes that can contribute towards a healthier and more sustainable future.

HEALTH CLUB INITIATIVE

World Hand Hygiene Day

7th May



On the occasion of World Hand Hygiene Day, the health ambassadors of Class 3 spoke a few lines on the importance of hand hygiene. They shared useful tips on keeping hands clean and maintaining personal hygiene. The students confidently spread awareness about washing hands properly to stay healthy and prevent diseases. They also used different props such as posters and placards to make their presentation more interesting and informative.

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FOUNDERS DAY

5th May



St. John's High School celebrated Founder's Day , remembering the inspiring life and values of Br. Edmund Rice.
A special assembly by Class 5D set the tone for the day, highlighting his journey of faith, service, and compassion.







Activities Conducted:
Class 5: Assembly presentation by 5D on the life and values of Br. Edmund Rice; Bookmark-making activity based on his teachings.
Class 4: Pasted a picture of Br. Edmund Rice and wrote a short paragraph on his life and legacy.
Class 3: Footprints activity—students wrote what inspires them from his life story.
Class 2: Story narration—shared one value they would like to imbibe in their lives.
Class 1: Storytelling session followed by drawing and colouring of the school flag.
Prep & KG: Age-appropriate storytelling on Br. Edmund Rice's life of service and compassion.
Class 5C Outreach: Visit to Sorem, promoting service and empathy in action.
The day served as a meaningful reminder of living the spirit of Pro Deo et Patria through small yet impactful actions.

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MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION

9th May

Mother's Day was celebrated with warmth and joy in the Junior School, as students expressed their love and gratitude for their mothers through thoughtful and creative activities.

Class KG : Boys made photo frames, drawings, and surprise "Thank You" strips for their mothers.

Class 1: Students created colourful handprint cards with loving messages.

Class 2: Students designed cards with photographs, poems, and heartfelt notes.

Class 3: Students wrote touching letters filled with love and cherished memories.

Class 4: Boys penned thoughtful letters appreciating their mothers' care and support.

Class 5: Students wrote heartfelt letters and crafted paper bouquets for their mothers.

The handmade cards and letters were presented to the mothers during the PTM held on 9th May 2026, making the celebration truly memorable.



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HEALTH CLUB INITIATIVES

Spreading Awareness on Health and Hygiene

9th May





The students of St. John's High School, as members of the Health Club and Health Ambassadors, conducted an engaging activity during the PTM to promote awareness about health and hygiene.

Commemorating Handwash Day on 5th May, they demonstrated the correct handwashing technique, encouraged the use of sanitizers, distributed badges, and actively interacted with parents, making the session both educational and enjoyable.

The students also highlighted the importance of healthy dietary habits as they moved around with a basket displaying nutritious food choices, encouraging everyone to adopt healthier eating practices for overall well-being.







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INTERCLASS COMPETITION

14th May

An Inter-Class Competition was organised for Classes 3, 4 and 5 on with great enthusiasm and creativity. The students participated wholeheartedly and showcased their creativity by making useful items from waste materials.

Class 5 students took part in the Basket / Pen Holder Making Competition. Their creativity, utility of the item and neat finishing impressed everyone.

Class 4 students participated in the Bird Feeder Making Competition. The students designed attractive bird feeders using eco-friendly and waste materials. The activity spread awareness about caring for birds and protecting nature.

Class 3 students enthusiastically participated in the File Cover Making Competition.

The competitions encouraged students to think creatively, reuse waste materials and develop artistic skills. The event was a great success and all the participants were appreciated for their wonderful efforts.













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INTERSCLASS COMPETITION

14th May







An Inter-Class Competition for Prep KG to Class II was organised with great excitement and lively participation. The event provided a vibrant platform for the young learners to explore their imagination and showcase their artistic talents through a variety of engaging activities.

The tiny tots of Prep KG participated in the Modelling Competition, where they created colourful and imaginative figures using clay and dough, displaying their creativity and fine motor skills.

Class I students displayed remarkable talent in the Ice Cream Stick Puppets Making Competition. Using ice cream sticks, paper, and bright colours, they crafted expressive and attractive puppets that reflected their originality and flair.

Class II students took part in the Paper Plate Decoration Competition and transformed ordinary paper plates into beautiful works of art with the help of various decorative materials. Their creativity and innovative ideas added charm to the activity.

NO BAG DAY

15th May

Beyond Books: A Day of Fun and Learning

Students of Classes 3,4 and 5 enjoyed a delightful No Bag Day filled with fun, learning, and togetherness. The day provided a refreshing break from regular classroom routines and encouraged students to learn through interactive activities.

Students of Classes 3,4 and 5 had a wonderful time as some went for a movie outing, while others stayed back in school and enjoyed board games, fun activities, and a movie screening in the school.

The laughter, participation, and happy faces of the students made the day truly memorable and enjoyable for everyone.











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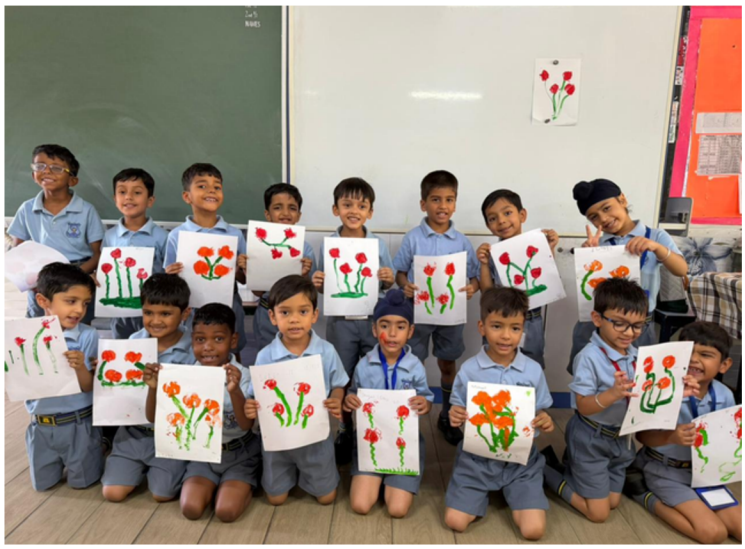
NO BAG DAY

18th May

No Bag Day – Learning Beyond the Classroom

A variety of enjoyable and engaging activities were conducted for students across classes KG, 1 and 2.
The day gave children an opportunity to learn through participation, interaction, and hands-on experiences beyond their regular classroom routine.







Kindergarten boys enjoyed clay modelling, vegetable painting, party tiffin sharing, and movie hour, making the day fun and interactive.

Students of class 1 showcased their creativity by making fox-shaped origami bookmarks and tulips for thank-you cards, followed by an entertaining movie with meaningful lessons.

Students of Class 2 participated enthusiastically in the Inter-Class Paper Plate Decoration Competition, educational videos, Friendship Chain Activity, music, and dance sessions.

The activities promoted creativity, teamwork, social bonding, and joyful hands-on learning beyond textbooks, making the day memorable for all.

OUTREACH PROGRAMMES

Visit to SOREM

5th May

Celebrating Inclusion and Compassion
The students of Class 5C of St. John's High School visited SOREM, a school for differently-abled and intellectually impaired children, as part of their outreach programme and to commemorate Founders' Day celebrated on 5th May.
The visit was inspired by the life and values of Brother Edmund Rice, who strongly advocated inclusion, compassion, and service towards marginalized.



During the visit, the students interacted with the children through dance, music, and joyful conversations, creating moments of warmth and togetherness. They also gave a presentation on the life and teachings of Brother Edmund Rice, highlighting his vision of equality, kindness, and inclusive education for all.







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OUTREACH PROGRAMMES

Visit to Missionaries of Charity (Mother Teresa Home)

14th May



Students of Classes 2A and 2B of St. John's High School visited Mother Teresa, Missionaries of Charity, a Destitute Home for intellectually and Physically Disabled.

The students offered prayers, interacted warmly with the residents, and spent meaningful time with them.

The visit was a thoughtful and compassionate experience.









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ASSEMBLIES

CLASS: 5 'A' DATE: 16. 4. 26





Class 5A conducted an assembly on Leadership and the Investiture Ceremony with great zeal. Students spoke about leadership qualities like responsibility and teamwork. The house captains were formally elected and recognized. The Principal and Coordinator addressed the gathering, blessing the newly elected student council and encouraging them to lead with integrity, confidence, and dedication in their roles.

CLASS: 5 'B' DATE: 21. 4. 26





The students of class 5B conducted an impactful and awareness-driven assembly on the theme "Prepare Today, Stay Safe Tomorrow", focusing on the importance of disaster preparedness and safety measures. The highlight of the assembly was an engaging skit accompanied by a visual display, where students demonstrated how to remain calm and act wisely during disasters such as earthquakes, fires, and floods. Through their confident performance and clear expressions, they effectively conveyed safety protocols.

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ASSEMBLIES

CLASS: 5 'C' DATE: 28. 4. 26





The students of class 5C spoke confidently on how we should take simple steps and made a promise to keep the Earth clean and green. They sang a song on Earth Day, recited a poem 'Be the Planet's Superhero' , shared tips on how we can reduce, reuse and recycle. The students raised awareness about the facts of worsening conditions. Encouraged everyone to develop sustainable living habits because every small action makes a big difference.

CLASS: 5 'D' DATE: 5. 5. 26





Class 5 D conducted the morning assembly on the life of our founder, Blessed Edmund Rice with great reverence and enthusiasm. The programme began with a welcome and prayer, followed by a short play depicting the life of our founder. A meaningful poem on being The Voice for the Voiceless and a hymn added depth to the presentation. The assembly continued with a news update and a thought for the day. It concluded with the Principal's address, inspiring all present.

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ASSEMBLIES

CLASS: 4 'A' DATE: 12. 5. 26





Class 4A conducted a meaningful assembly on the topic "Time Management." The boys presented an engaging skit highlighting the importance of utilizing time wisely and avoiding procrastination.
They also recited a poem related to time management, spreading the message of discipline and punctuality. The assembly was informative, enjoyable, and appreciated by all.

CLASS: 2 'D' DATE: 23. 4. 26





The assembly class 2D was conducted on the topic Punctuality. It began with a prayer, followed by a song about being on time. Students spoke about the importance of punctuality in daily life and how it helps in developing discipline and responsibility. A short message encouraged everyone to value time and follow a proper routine. The assembly concluded with a positive thought, reminding students that punctuality leads to success.

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ASSEMBLIES

CLASS: 2 'C' DATE: 30. 4. 26





Students of class 2C presented a special assembly on "Every Helping Hand Matters" to celebrate Labour Day. The students spoke about the dignity of labour and thanked workers like cleaners, drivers, gardeners, teachers and helpers for their valuable services. They performed a short skit, sang a meaningful song, and shared thoughtful messages about kindness and respect. The assembly encouraged everyone to value hard work and appreciate the contribution of every worker in society with gratitude.

CLASS: 2 'B' DATE: 7.5.26





Class 2B boys presented a wonderful class assembly on Br. Edmund Rice – Founder's Day . The assembly began with a prayer seeking God's blessings and guidance, followed by a short and meaningful skit by the students, based on the teachings of Br. Edmund Rice. The skit was beautiful and impressive and highlighted values such as kindness, love, sharing, and helping those in need. Teachers and students enjoyed the presentation and learned valuable lessons from the life and teachings of Br. Edmund Rice.

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ASSEMBLIES

CLASS: 2 'A' DATE: 16. 4. 26





Morning assembly on the theme "Little Rules, Big Success" was conducted successfully by the students of class 2A. Students introduced the topic confidently and shared how small rules can lead to great success. Beautiful placards with messages like "Be on time" and "Follow instructions" were displayed. The Thought for the Day inspired everyone to stay punctual and responsible. The assembly concluded with an encouraging address by the respected Principal, who motivated students to practice discipline every day.

ACHIEVERS'



HINDI SPELL WELL (2025-26)

CLASS 4	CLASS 3	CLASS 2
First Position- Arnav Gupta 4A	First Position- Mohd. Arhaan 3C	First Position- Diven Bura 2B
Second position - Gaurang Gupta 4A	Second position - Anav 3A	Second position - Naitik Jain 2A
Third Postion- Akash 4B	Third Postion- Avish 3C	Third Postion- Aryaveer Thakur 2B

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ACHIEVERS'



Viraaj Vashishat 5C
Event: Chandigarh Gymnastics Competition
Gold & Bronze medal in Junior category in Floor and Vault



Harsh Sharma 4C
Event: Chandigarh Open Karate Championship
Silver medals in U-10 category



Viratveer Bhatt 5B
Event: Chandigarh Open Karate Championship
Two Silver medals in U-11 category



Sahibek Singh Boparai 4B
Event: Chandigarh State Open Chess Championship
Secured fourth position

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ACHIEVERS'



Prabhav Atwal 5B
Event: The Chandigarh State Chess Championship
Secured Second Position



Imaan Singh Dhindsa 4C
Event: Delhi Horse Show
Silver Medal- Show Jumping Team
Bronze Medal- Hacks
Bronze Medal- Dressage



Shaurya Sobti 3B
Event: GNPS Open Tennis Championship
Secured First position



Jujhaar Singh Sandhu 4C
Event: Delhi Horse Show
Silver Medal- Show Jumping Team (65m)
Four Bronze Medal- Hacks
Siver Medal- Dressage



HINDI SPELL WELL (2025-26)
CLASS 2
First Position- Eshaanvir Brar 2C
Second position - Diven Bura 2B
Third Postion- Reyansh Gupta 2C

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ACHIEVERS'



Samarth 3B
Event: Chandigarh North South District Athletics Championship
Bronze Medal (80 m race), U-10 category



Arjun Kahler 4D
Finished Chd. Dist Runners race (3km)
Participated in Tri-city Open Tennis Tournment



ENGLISH SPELL WELL, CLASS KG (2025-26)
First Position- Nihaal Singh Aulakh KGB
Second position - Mehraab Singh Anand KGE
Third Postion- Hiyan Maghan KGE



HINDI SPELL WELL, CLASS 1 (2025-26)
First Position- Satvik Garg 1D
Second position - Samar 1C
Third Postion- Ravit 1C



INTERSCHOOL FESTIVAL- RIPPLES
(Certificate of paticipation)
Tanmay Bhatt 5A - Poster making competiton
Divyam Sikka 5D- Fancy dress competition
Atharv Garg 4B- Poetry recitation
Ayaan Chauhan 4D- Poster making

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ACHIEVERS '



NUMERO UNO, CLASS KG (2025-26)
First Position- Rivaansh Sharma KGB
Second position - Nihaal Singh Aulakh KGB
Third Postion- Hiyan Maghan KGE



HINDI SPELL WELL (2025-26)
CLASS KG
First Position- Ayaansh Sharma KGA
Second position - Daiwik Aggarwal KGC
Third Postion- Aadvik Rana KGC



NUMERO UNO (2025-26)
CLASS 1
First Position- Advik Saboo 1A
Second position - Atharv Thakur 1A
Third Postion- Yuvaan Mehta 1B

As we conclude the first quarter of the Junior School, we would also like to share that Laudato Si' Week is observed from May 17 to May 24. Inspired by the message of Laudato Si', a document focused on caring for our common home. This summer, let us take small but meaningful steps by adopting 10 simple habits to make our Earth a kinder, greener place.

We also encourage you to watch 'The Letter', a thought-provoking documentary that offers a deeper insight into the challenges our planet faces today.

Wishing all of you a joyful and meaningful summer break!

Taking Action to Respond to the Call of Laudato Si'

10 Things You Can Do

Reduce your energy consumption by switching off lights, appliances and your devices when not in use.

Simple habits like carrying a cloth bag, using reusable bottles and containers, and avoiding single-use plastics can help us protect our planet and build a more sustainable future.

Choosing mindful consumption by buying only what we truly need and avoiding unnecessary expenses can help reduce waste and create a more sustainable way of living.

Use biodegradable alternatives such as eco-friendly cutlery instead of plastic.

Support local artisians by choosing locally made, sustainable products.

Grow native plants in or around your house, suitable for your locality.

Participate or initiate cleanliness drives in and around your city.

Be aware of how much food you throw away and make a conscious effort to reduce waste.

Don't buy fruits and vegetables which are pre-wrapped in plastic.

"Small actions, when multiplied by millions of people, can transform the world."
Every mindful choice we make today helps create a greener, healthier tomorrow for our common home.

This resource has been prepared by the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace.
If you would like any information about Laudato Si' or want help to take further action to care for our common home, please e-mail ojep@catholic.org.au

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