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THE EDITORIAL

'Think much, speak little and write less'. These prophetic words pretty much describe the Editorial Board.

The Xavier Times is an apex of different thoughts and an effort by the students to express themselves. Each and every page is the product of an innovative brain. It is indeed a huge responsibility to bring out a magazine which tries to highlight the true essence of Xavier's. I would like to acknowledge the endeavours and hard work of all the board members, the moderators and the students who went into bringing yet another successful edition of 'The Xavier Times'. What you hold in your hand might not be a thriller or a best seller; it is simply the culmination of the efforts of a group of motivated and dedicated people who had a vision, a dream and who worked against all odds (especially the clock) to put this magazine together. We trust that you'll enjoy reading this year's edition of 'The Xavier Times' and hope that you find some of your own pieces immortalised through its pages. Let us all keep up the Xaverian legacy of excellence and success. EstoVir!

The term student-editor can be very misleading. We all think of an editor as a person who sits and looks at work done by others and then writes a few comments, changes a few things and asks them to revise certain aspects of the piece. So, that is what I thought I was going to be asked to do. But no, that didn't happen. I was supposed to write the articles and then send them in for editing and not do the editing of articles myself. The writing of articles involved doing research on the internet, reading books as well as interacting with various Club Moderators and officials about the events happening. Each article would take a week or two. I did have a tight schedule. With exams and tests happening, and my classes along with practicals, it seemed as if I would never find time to finish an article. Surprisingly enough, I did. And for that, I think I should give credit to my teachers Himani Ma'am, Anukriti Ma'am and my fellow junior XT officials for always supporting me, helping me to do piled up stuff, pushing me to do better and to meet deadlines with a smile on my face. Though we had so much of work we still found time to talk about life and things happening. This journey of 2 years not only helped me evolve as a writer but I made some friends for life. We formed a strong bond which always stood the test of time and it was great working with each one of them. Overall, my experience with The Xavier Times was great. I learnt a lot. While working on the articles, it gave me a sneak-peek into the world of writing. I thoroughly enjoyed it, and if offered the opportunity again, I will accept it without batting an eyelid.



Anugrah Angel, I 2A



Rashmi Sharma, I 2A

MESSAGE

Another year has just passed by. One of the often repeated lines by many of us is: 'I wish I had done this better!' or 'I wish I hadn't delayed accomplishing this task!'

Procrastination is a part of human nature. We delay certain important tasks or totally fail doing some good that we had intended doing and later regret about the missed opportunities in our lives. 'Time and tide wait for none', goes the old proverb. This means that time is a very important component in our lives. It costs us a lot as once it goes, it never comes back again. It runs regularly for every moment and never stays even for a second. An opportunity lost is lost forever.

But remember, all is not over. We still have time to accomplish many things in our lives. Take a resolution today 'whatever time I have left now, I will do the best I can'. The Jesuit legacy of excellence is all about doing things better; the Magis — the more or the greater for the Greater Glory of God. We do more for God and therefore do more for others.

The Xavier Times, as I see it, is the record of the celebration of life here at Xavier's. It is the creative expression of the students and teachers since the inception of our school. As we do that we count our blessings. The mission of the Jesuits has been so very beautifully spelt out in the 36th General Congregation of the Society of Jesus in 2015. It states to orient all our efforts to be reconciled with ourselves, with others, with God and the entire creation. Let us work wholeheartedly to this end. Let us celebrate life in all its richness accepting its diversities and celebrating its plurality. May the coming year find us standing



*Fr. Jose Philip S. J.
Rector*

in solidarity with the people on the margins! Let us make all efforts to make this world a better place for all.

We live in an age when our society, our country and the world at large are at the crossroads and are experiencing revolutionary changes. It is within our power to seize the opportunity and do our bit to contribute to make this world a better place to live in. I wish all of us rise above our differences and set ourselves in the process of doing good for the society and in the true sense be men and women for and with others.

Esto Vir!

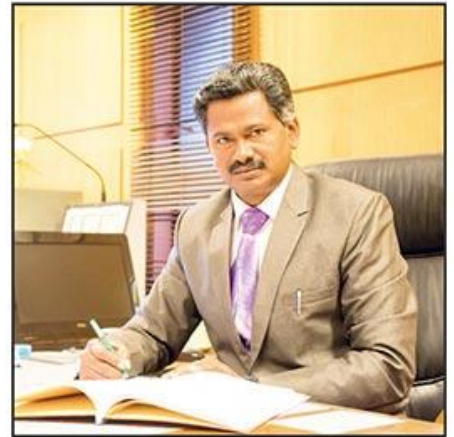
MESSAGE

One of the distinguished alumni from 1982 batch visited the school recently. In the library, he requested the librarian, for the issues of The Xavier Times during his Senior School years. The librarian promptly pulled out a couple of issues. He was feeling nostalgic. With childlike enthusiasm he showed to those present his articles, photos and recollected to us the good old days. He told us, most of the time all those who participated in the co-curricular activities were not the toppers of the class but today they have carved a niche for themselves. I understood the value of The Xavier Times. The school magazine gives budding writers a space to express their views and records of the year that has gone by. I am indebted to the columnists the editorial team and all those who helped to bring out this edition of The Xavier Times 2017-18.

As I was praying to God for my message for The Xavier Times, two phrases came to my mind again and again i.e. 'sense of sacred' and 'mystery of life'. But what troubles me is, do I miss these dimensions of life or am I seeing lack of these in the people around me? Education is a serious endeavor for the educators and the educated. For the former, present life conditions depend on making meaning out of the profession they have chosen and for the latter it is their path way to materialize their dreams and aspirations. It is said that religions are born out of a sense of 'awe and wonder' of the human's contact with nature. Sense of awe and wonder leads to reverence. This reverence leads to a sense of mystery of the things which are not fully explored or difficult to explore. Yet this reverence, sense of sacred, helps us live and understand the mystery of life as it unfolds every moment. Education is a mission not a commodity. Many of us are not approaching mission of teaching and learning with a sense of sacredness. So we have problems to deal with and mystery to be experienced.

The enemy outside can be objectified and conquered but the enemy inside is always deceptive, demoralizing, destroying and so, difficult to overcome. It is an everyday struggle. We all long for happiness. We can experience it provided 'what we think, what we say and what we do are in harmony'. Acharya Sachidananda Bharathi who started 'Happy Childhood Programme' (Khushhaal Bachpan) to make childhood in India happy and healthy proposes four-point programme: (a) Caring Love, (b) Nutritious Food, (c) Creative Learning and (d) Playing, Singing and Dancing. Can we do something as parents and teachers to create in our children happy childhood memories!

One of the messages I recently received 'Learn to love without condition, talk without bad intention. Give without any reason.



*Fr. Dominic Arockiam S. J.
Principal*

And most of all, care for people without any expectation'. Well, if we could practice this, life can be a bliss. 'Messaging Apps' are a blessing as well as a curse. Every day we need time to look into the messages and since storage facility in the phone is less, we go on deleting them. It is good we do that. Even human mind processes information day and night and keeps what is needed in the long term memory and deletes what is not needed. Sometimes events that caused bad experiences tend to get stored in the mind and become a hindrance to healthy growth. Let us delete them as we do with our phone, in order to create space for new experiences. Let us recount the past with nostalgia, live the present with a sense of sacredness and approach the future with hope and vigor because God is the Master of all and He will not let us down. *Esto vir!*

MESSAGE

God has immensely blessed each one of us with many qualities, talents and potentials. One needs to identify them and lead a dignified and successful life. It is only when we realize who we actually are and what all are our strengths that we will stop comparing ourselves with others and will never feel inferior to others. Seeing others growing and doing exceptionally well in their life, we sometimes draw a general conclusion saying that we are not as gifted as others and that only others are worthy and efficient of becoming and achieving something significant. In fact, like anybody else we all are capable of becoming and doing marvelous things in life; may not necessarily be in the same areas and with the same degree but definitely in many other areas of life. It is true that no one becomes a renowned writer, an artist, a dancer or a singer overnight. It is only after many years of hard work, practice and commitment that one attains such status and feats. And if others can, why not we with the similar potentialities, opportunities and facilities available. There are ample opportunities all around, just waiting for us. Our school for that matter tries to provide maximum facilities and facilitates several extra-curricular activities all through the year. It is only the matter of developing some likings and taste towards them and to grab the golden opportunities. There is no harm in exploring new areas or trying out new things to discover the best in us. Secondly, we don't have to wait for others to come and tell us probable areas to choose. It is we who know our inner strengths and so have to ultimately decide whatever arena we want to step in. At times, based on previous experiences and partial knowledge about us, people may try to



*Fr. Anil Kispotta S. J.
Headmaster, Jr. School*

underestimate, discourage us from venturing into the unknown fields. And whatever others tell us we may take as gospel truth, without realizing our own strengths and abilities. Let us therefore begin to believe in ourselves, because if we don't who else will. When we have self-belief we gradually gain self-confidence. And with our self-confidence we attain happiness and success.

MESSAGE

I would like to thank the Almighty and the Jesuit Fathers for giving me an opportunity to serve a great institution like Xavier's with a goal to instill special qualities like sincerity, discipline, respect, unity, hard work, etc. among the students. Xavier's lays emphasis on the overall development of every individual by imparting quality education that brings in social, personal, spiritual, and intellectual transformation which prepares them for their future endeavors.

It's a matter of great pride for me that I am taking care of the tiny tots of the Prep. School. From morning till afternoon, they keep you happy and fresh with their sweet gestures and their cheerful faces tell us of their victory and confidence. I believe in taking up new and challenging tasks in order to bring betterment in everything we do. At Xavier's, not only the students but even teachers get ample opportunities to explore their talents by organizing events and other co-curricular activities other than academics. The success of our school has always been the result of the commitment and care of our teachers, parents, administrators and community members.

The children of today have tremendous potential which needs to be channelized in the right direction. We also believe in teaching a child to experience and appreciate the real wonders of the world and connect with Nature. We continue to motivate a child to become a good human being first, to grow wings of ambition



Mrs. Rajshree Vedi
Assistant Director,
Prep. School

and help him soar like a falcon to touch the sky.

Once again, I pray to the Almighty to shower upon his blessings to work with a spirit of togetherness and to give us the strength to realize our true potential in every field of life.

I wish everyone the best of everything in life!

MESSAGE

"Imagination is more important than knowledge. For knowledge is limited to all we now know and understand, while imagination embraces the entire world, and all there ever will be to know and understand." (Albert Einstein)

The Xavier Times provides a platform to our students to be imaginative and creative. Year after year all Xaverians use this as a medium to express their opinions and grow up as true Xaverians with a comprehensive vision that rises above all regionalism, division and selfishness as we see it in today's world.

On this occasion I congratulate the XT team of the staff and the students for their hard work in collecting, compiling and designing this beautiful annual publication of our school. Let there be more participation from the students and teachers so that we can keep improving the quality of the Xavier Times in the coming years. ESTO VIR!

Life itself is an opportunity to explore and experience. St. Xavier's is conferring the budding Xaverians in every possible way and in every aspect of life by imparting them with knowledge, rational thinking and quality education. The school with the wonderful support of teaching and non-teaching staff is committed to bring outstanding results through the brilliant performance of the students in both academics and Co-curricular areas, as at Xavier's we believe information may not remain with us for long but the values imbibed through right kind of education will remain a prized possession for life. ESTO VIR!!!



*Mr. K. J. Devasia
Vice Principal*



*Mr. A. K. Das
Co-ordinator of
Academics*

FROM THE EDITORIAL BOARD



Riya Rupam, 11A

Feelings got a new expression after joining the Xavier Times Editorial Board this year. Working with such an experienced panel of teachers as well as seniors, constant help from the chief editor, and other co—editors have helped me substantially to write better. Their constant support whenever we got stuck was a great help. They have made us learn how to write. I take immense pride in our focused and channelled endeavours to produce a valuable magazine, that reflects our passion. Our incredible teachers chose the astutest literary minds panelled to take on job of compiling the Xavier Times, and rendering a part of their new edition possible. Writing articles, editing them to several folds for making them to be the best, made me realise how my vocabulary has enhanced. The Xavier Times is the jewel in the crown of St. Xaviers. In the world where listening and accepting other's thoughts and opinions is rare, on the contrary expressing thoughts and their acceptance in the editorial board is one of the basic necessities of articles. With the XT's ever evolving and burgeoning standards and levels, I hope we fit fine in the mould of the rising graph of progress spanning over the

bygone years and those to come and prove valedictorian in carrying this legacy forward in the best of our power and time. XT is not a mere magazine after all, it's the essence, the ember's core of each and every student's collective choral voice, a standout delivery of their remarks and opinions. I feel blessed and truly honoured that I am working with the Xavier Times Editorial Board this year.



Nidhi Khattar, 11C

As and when I got to know that I had been selected as an editor for XT, I became a little upset for I worried about my studies as a class 11th student. But, of course, I had my senior XT editors, and my teachers Anukriti ma'am and Himani ma'am who guided me the right way and now I am proud and thankful to them for making me a part of it.

My journey as a part of XT had been greatly eventful. From being briefed time to time about the events till piling up work till deadline and then writing articles had been a quite interesting job. Initially, it was difficult to balance between writing articles for XT and my studies. But eventually, through right guidance, I did

balance it very well. Overall, my experience as an Editor has been great. ESTO VIR!



Devanshi Gupta, 11F

Being attached to our school's magazine has been a unique experience for me. When I heard I was going to be an official in the Xavier Times, I was particularly excited because this is the first time for me as an active member of my school's magazine. I remember flipping through the glossy pages of XT and hoping to grace them with my own pieces someday. In 11th standard, this desire came true, and I am deeply thankful to my English teacher, Bhawna ma'am, for this.

Working as an official could get stressful sometimes, but I love to write, and writing never feels like a chore. The Club members and teachers are warm and understanding, and the conducive atmosphere adequately helped me to learn and grow as a writer. In the end, I would like to say that the Xavier Times is an innovative and colourful magazine filled with beautifully knit words, and the membership of its club gave me the opportunity to experience a whole new world.

MESSAGE

I was very fortunate to be a part of Xavier's as unlike other schools, Xavier's is not just about academics and co-curricular activities, it's also about being a part of the most beautiful family. The love, the school has given me has helped me realize my potential and transform me into a better person and now I am an inch closer to achieving my goals.

Without expecting anything in return from me, Xavier's has given me everything; and I feel honored to be the HEAD BOY of this prestigious institution, where every child is a born champion and excellence runs in their blood. To all the Xaverians, if you have passion for something and you have ever dreamt of it, don't let excuses and circumstances come in your way because we Xaverians are known to make our dreams come true.

It pains me to say goodbye, but I have a bag full of memories which I will cherish for a lifetime.

Esto Vir!



James Babu, 12B
Head Boy, Sr. School

I have always been immensely proud to say that I'm a student of St. Xavier's and so to finish my last year as the Head Girl is a tremendous honour. On reflecting upon my time here, I have realised how well this school has shaped me. You could say that I came to Xavier's not knowing myself, I was unsure of my strengths, my weaknesses, even my interests.

However, thanks to the different experiences that I've had here, I was able to find my identity. Whilst it saddens me that I'm leaving Xavier's, I don't feel scared about progressing to the next stage of my life; I have been equipped with all the confidence and determination that I need. For my Juniors, who are starting a journey of their own— "Challenge yourself with something you know you could never do; and what you'll find is that you can overcome anything". You'll discover your strengths, your weaknesses, even your interests. You'll find your identity, as I found mine.

I bet you'll be smiling when you find the master key among all the keys, the one that opens every door to success...and when that happens, let me know!



Jharna Kamdar 12F
Head Girl Sr. School

MESSAGE

Focus on the destination not the difficulties. I, Soumil Aggarwal, can't even describe or pen down what a blissful moment it was when my name was announced as the Head Boy of my school for the year 2017-18.

While stepping up to receive the badge, I had many thoughts revolving in my mind. Most importantly, that I will make my school proud. I promised myself that day that I will make optimum use of this opportunity and give my hundred per cent to the school and devote my heart to every work and student I am responsible for.

Being the representative of the Junior School students, hasn't been an easy job. As they say every good road has its ups and downs, but I never let them take the most of me. Along with all the responsibilities and blessings, I truly felt a joy in my heart. I truly enjoyed myself. This post not only made me a perservant person, but helped me boost my confidence when at times I was asked to address everyone on special occasions.

This session taught me teamwork, how to go along with everyone and most importantly how to be polite along with expressing thoughts. I don't feel that the end of session means the end of good times, I feel it is a stepping stone to my future success.

I would like to thank Fr. Headmaster and the school for giving me this prestigious opportunity. I thank all my teachers for their



Soumil Aggarwal, 7D
Head Boy, Jr. School

constant support and guidance and would also like to thank the Student Council for being by my side and always doing their duty faithfully. Last, but not the least, I thank all my batch mates and juniors for accepting me as I am and also teaching me and always testing me.

ESTO VIR!!!

All our dreams can come true if we have the courage to pursue them. Believing in my own strength, I accepted the proud privilege of the Junior School Head Girl for the session 2017-18. I knew that it was a beginning and not an end. The whole year has been a fruitful learning experience for me. With each duty that I have dispelled and each responsibility, I found that I grew in confidence and ability. But I alone could never have maintained discipline in the school or contributed to the school activities had it not been for the support that I received from everyone here. Thank you everyone for helping me grow, for supporting my endeavours and for believing in me. I would surely cherish these moments of my life and hope that I would continue to receive your blessings and support in the days to come.



Vidhushi Joshi, 7F
Head Girl, Jr. School

THE YEAR THAT WAS...

The academic year 2017-2018 started with two major changes in the school's administration. Mrs. R. VEDI took over as the Assistant Director of the Prep School after Mrs. M. James, who retired from the same post. Mrs. Mona Rae was appointed the Asst. Headmistress of the Junior School after Mrs. M. Devi left the office. The new academic session kick-started in the Prep School with the Orientation Day held on 1st April, 2017 in which the parents of the tiny tots were welcomed by the Rector Fr. Jose Philip S.J. and the Principal Fr. Dominic Arockiam S.J. The parents were introduced to the rules and tradition of this great institution. The May Day was celebrated by all the three wings of the School with an inherent spirit of gratitude towards the support staff of the School. The budding Xaverians of the Prep School celebrated the Mother's Day on 9th May, 2017 followed by a Special Assembly on the occasion of Feast of St. Ignatius of Loyola on 28th July, 2017. On 14th August, 2017 the Prep School celebrated Independence Day with patriotic zeal. 27th September, 2017 witnessed the singing talent of the tiny Xaverians in the Music Fest. A special assembly for celebrating Diwali was organized on 16th September, 2017. The young athletes of the Prep School showcased their sportsman spirit on the Sport's Day, which was held on 18th November, 2017. The year in the Prep School celebrated Christmas with fun and frolic.

The Junior Wing started its major event in this academic session with the Investiture Ceremony held on 19th April, 2017 with the formation of the new Student's Council. The talented Xaverians were bestowed with the Xaverian Excellence Award on the Recognition Day, which was held on 29th April, 2017. On 29th July, 2017, the Junior Wing celebrated the Feast of St. Ignatius of Loyola followed by the Play Fest held on 19th August, 2017 in which the young Xaverians showcased their acting talent. The Junior School organized Inter School Quiz on 30th August, 2017. On the

auspicious occasion of the Feast of St. Francis Xavier the three wings of the school organized special programs. The Junior Wing bade farewell to one of its best teachers Mrs. Faith. E. Rodricks through a special assembly in her honor. The talented students of Junior School brought laurels to the school by participating in various Inter School and Intra School activities.

The Academic session in the Senior School started with the formation of the new Student Council on 2nd May, 2017 in which the new Council members pledged to carry out the duties they were entrusted with, sincerely. The 46th Fr. Richard Curry Memorial Music fest held on 20th May, 2017 witnessed the musical fantasia of Xaverians, followed by Fr. Mayer Memorial One-Act Play Fest (Hindi and English), which was held on 8th and 9th September, 2017 which provided the amateur actors of Xaverians a platform to showcase their talent. On 25th November, 2017 the Annual Inter-House Athletic Meet was held for both Junior and Senior wings, while Xavier Fair was organized on 9th December, 2017. The year 2017 ended with fun filled Christmas Celebrations.

May God and our patron saints continue to shower their blessing upon each member of the Xaverian Family and fill their lives with affection and joy.

Mrs. A. Khindria and Mrs. H. Chugh



Goodbye, Mrs. Faith E. Rodricks !

Veedant Vaish 7E & Kevin Antony 7E

On 8th July 2017, the school bade farewell to Mrs. Faith Edna Rodricks, a beloved English teacher, who was an inspiration to many students. A farewell programme was conducted to express our love and gratitude for Ma'am. The programme began with a melodious prayer, followed by a speech given by Mrs. Preetika Moses Nath on behalf of the staff. Students expressed their feelings by presenting bouquets and handmade cards for Ma'am. The English choir presented a beautiful farewell song for Ma'am too. The program ended with an inspiring message from Mrs. Faith, through which she urged the students to dream big and work towards achieving your goals. Ma'am will be missed for her effervescent smile and her diligent efforts for the students. We wish her the best for her health and all her future endeavours.

FAREWELL



Blessings – That Could Not Be Counted ...

It is good to be thankful for my contemporary Jesuit what you have in life and Fathers, Sisters, colleagues what you have accomplished. and children. I am so thankful But if we open our eyes to for having been given the the larger picture, we are opportunity to join this to appreciate the fruits of dedicated, forward thinking life. We must appreciate and and highly respected acknowledge the tree that school. My talent and work bears the fruit, birth itself. ethics were noticed and Similarly we should thank appreciated from the very the institution which has beginning, something that brought up so well and gave I have never forgotten or us the opportunity to imbibe ceased to appreciate. I want confidence and self-reliance. to thank all from the bottom Today I have all the praises of my heart, for believing in for my St. Xavier's School. me in all these years.



27.7 years have flown I received ample guidance by at St. Xavier's. It has from my seniors. I hope I been a very long, happy gave useful insight selflessly and educative time spent and empathetically to all here giving my expertise, my colleagues to the best of imparting knowledge and my knowledge and ability skills. through my time here. I joined

While I learnt and grew and the school on 23rd July 1991 thereby learning a lot from in the prime of my youth.

I was full of enthusiasm and looked forward to my teaching career. My joining took me through the highs and lows of teaching. Sometimes I was angry and strict and most of the time happy and jovial but always ready to impart knowledge, teach and get the best out of every young child placed in my care. These seedlings

we sow everywhere grew into beautiful little plants and go out into the world as young responsible citizens. They are our proud and true treasures we accumulate over time.

Coming to school every day imbibed virtues of regularity, patience, love and care and I also learnt a lot as I grew into a happy and responsible individual. I am truly grateful to the staff and management for giving me the opportunity and selfless growth in abundance. In my learning I may have made many mistakes unknowingly for which I humbly and with folded hands ask for

forgiveness of any conduct that did not match standards of St. Xavier's and my colleagues.

The unconditional love of tiny tots has never let me feel that I have grown old. I still feel energetic as I was years ago and it is because of their belief in me and if I go by statics, I would have taught approximately 2000 students over these 27.7 years and learnt much more than what I would have taught them. I learnt to be grateful for each new day that brought a new challenge and overcoming it. There has not been a single day in all these years that

I did not want to come to school to work because I loved my school and enjoyed teaching and working with all the colleagues and Jesuit fathers. What a blessing to be able to say that!!

So now a new beginning for me, a new journey, the time everyone calls RETIREMENT... the time for all those hobbies and activities that could not be done while pursuing a career.

I pray that this great and prestigious school continues to grow and prosper and I trust that each one of us will be happy and fulfilled here...

Mrs. Sadhna Jain
Prep School

INTERVIEW

Mrs. Sadhna Jain
Prep School

Q. Ma'am, Could you tell us something about your initial years at Xavier's?

My initial years at St. Xavier's were very exciting. Everything was new and original. The children, the Fathers, the open and conducive atmosphere, big lawns, prayer grounds, the approachable, loving, caring and all time available fathers to stretch a helping hand was a real delight.

Q. Tell us something about your first day.

I still remember how much I was scared as well as excited. Fr. Pereira, S.J. greeted me in

his office and told me all the do's and don'ts of the school, my fear disappeared. He was too affectionate that I never felt that I was new in the school. That moment only I realized I have come to a new home away from my home.

Q. What do you think about the changes in the School in the past three decades of your teaching experience?

The School in its infrastructure has changed a lot. The big grounds of the Senior School has changed into the Millennium Hall giving a traditional and yet a modern

look to the School. The children, rather the students have undergone a lot of changes. The students, we used to teach years ago are not same today. They have gone under a drastic change over the period. They are more open, intelligent and confident.

Q. Any message for the students and their parents ma'am?

I often remember Father Jose Philip's famous quote "what starts here would change the world". It is this place only where children begin their external life journey. If we as

teachers and mentors inculcate good habits like discipline, respect for fellow beings, elders, specially-abled, it would impact the child itself, family and society in general and in a positive and a constructive manner. It is the duty of the parents as well to encourage the school-learned values at home. Otherwise school teaching would lose its importance. Earlier parents at home and teachers at school were playing important roles in moulding and building the character of the child. But now-a-days technology is also playing an equal role. It is the duty of the parents to let them know what is right and what is wrong to see and explore in moderate quantum. All the times students should be supervised and keep an eye on them to give them

a better and secured future. It is the need of the future. Children are very smart and inquisitive today. They are no more dependent on our advice. They are technologically savvy. They know more than we know. But still they need to be shown a right path, where they can be led to and find out for themselves what is right to follow, to accept and what to reject for their own betterment. They have to strike a balance between right and wrong, acceptance and rejection. They have to get experience from not only their own mistakes but from fellow being's mistakes as well. Life is very short. You can't make all the mistakes by yourselves. You have to learn from others' mistakes as well. The education that my son got here made him to touch the

high standards in life. He joined St. Xavier as a tiny tot in 1987 and graduated in 2001 (Head Boy). His Alma Mater was his second home where he enjoyed taking part in cultural activities, speeches, debates and sports, etc. besides best academics. He took up many initiatives to set up many clubs such as Abacus Club and first Inter School competitions. He also served as Head Boy and represented the Basketball and Swimming teams in tournaments. Till today he cherishes visiting the school whenever he is in India and that fills his heart with joy to see similar faces, familiar surroundings and a new generation of Xaverians pursuing excellence.

INTERVIEW

Mrs. Nazneen Chowdhry
Senior School

Q. Ma'am, tell us something about your Family background.

I was born in a family of five siblings, my father was an I.P.S officer. He was a strict disciplinarian and my mother was very simple, soft spoken and a humble lady. My parents believed in giving good education and good values. He taught all of us to be prepared for the difficulties as life is unpredictable and tough. We enjoyed a beautiful harmony amongst all of us.

Q. Which school did you complete your schooling

from? From where did you pursue your higher education?

My father had a transferable job and we had to change our schools every now and then. Finally I did my post-graduation and B.Ed. from Bhopal. I got a job in Isabella Thoburn College, Lucknow as a lecturer but I had to decline that golden opportunity due to my marriage.

Q. Ma'am, would you like to share your experience of the initial years in Xavier's?

I have been teaching in St. Xavier's since 1989. It was all



boys' school then. I remember going to Shah Auditorium to attend many fests organized by our school. Play Fests used to be in the evenings. I remember dressing up boys as female

characters. It used to be so much fun. All the programs were of very good standard and students used to put in a lot of efforts to bring the best out of them. Music has always been a tradition in Xavier's and we used to win almost all the trophies of prestigious contests of that time. We will always be indebted to Mr. Basil Miranda's tireless efforts and contribution in this field. He is still giving his helping hand to create a good standard of music.

Xavier Fair was a very big affair, a major event in our school calendar. We used to prepare for it much in advance. It used to cater to all and the way people used to come in huge numbers that was something to be seen to be believed.

Teachers had their own tutorial rooms in between the two class rooms. We had some very memorable time spent together with our friends there.

Q. We are eager to hear about your First Day at Xavier's Ma'am.

I remember entering the staff room and was told by the senior teachers that you are the daughter-in-law of our school as we have taught your husband. My family had a long innings in St. Xavier's school as my husband and his younger brother (John and James Chowdhry) joined way back in 1960 when the school started. I was groomed and loved by the staff and the Jesuits. I recall those lovely days very fondly. In the class room ...I remember entering 12-B that also used to be the Biology section then. All the students welcomed me with loud cheer. I started

introducing myself and then got familiar with their names etc. I still remember Mr. Miranda used to draw and write about the practical to ensure I did it correctly. Mr. Bhargava and Mrs. Martins always guided me. It has transformed from all boys to co-ed school. I have seen many administrative changes as well infrastructural changes. The huge Millennium Complex, new and big Computer Labs, Language Lab, Creativity Room, Multimedia Room, expanded library , Miranda Hall, Basu Hall , New Chapel, Navjeevan Bhawan etc. It was a transformation in the various programs due to the presence of girls. We staged many choreography items and dances. I started Darwin's Club years back for Biology and later we have brought all the sciences under it and renamed it as Technica Club. I had the opportunity to remain a moderator of the Tagore House and presently I am the Moderator of the Technica Club. It organizes Science Exhibition, Symposium, Quiz , Excursions, open day visits to research centers etc.

Q. You have spent 28 years as a dedicated member of the Xaverian family and now it's time to say adieu. How do you feel?

It was God's grace that I could spend the major part of my life here. I have no regrets. God has blessed me and gave me this beautiful environment to work and flourish. Today, I look back

and recall the years gone by. It was a great learning experience for me. Whatever little I have achieved today, it is given to me by this institution. It is not easy to bid farewell to Xavier's; it is a part of me. I am going to cherish the beautiful memories of Xavier's till my last breath. May God bless this institution and take it to the much greater heights.

Q. Ma'am, kindly enlighten us with some words of wisdom.

Value the gifts what God has given you and do not ignore the advices given by your parents, teachers and elders. Never keep wrong company which will spoil you for life. Be responsible for yourself.

Teaching is all about relationships. Although the focus now is on test scores, if students do not have good relationships, they will not be transformed.

Believe in yourself and be passionate about what you do. Be a risk taker. Challenge yourself to further your credits. Serve others, believe in good and never give up.

I hope my students remember me as someone they could trust and depend upon, who never settled for anything but their best effort and always encouraged them to never give up.

Q. Finally, would you like to share your future plans with us?

As far as retirement goes, I feel that as long as I am on this earth, no matter how old I am, I will have a purpose and

hopefully continue making this world a welcoming place for those who happen to cross my path. I believe the best is yet to

come and there will be many new and wonderful adventures just ahead and around the next corner.

INTERVIEW

Mrs. Mona Rae

XT. Good morning ma'am! Please tell us something about yourself.

I did my schooling from Holy Child School, Tagore Garden. I pursued my higher education from CJM College, in Psychology and I also hold a diploma in Computers.

XT. How were your initial years in teaching?

Initially, I started teaching at Queen Mary's School (an all girls' school) where the environment was quiet and polite. When I joined Xavier's (at that time an all boys' school) it was a sort of a rollercoaster ride. The school was full of noise and hooliganism. Besides, the school was Hindi medium during that time; hence language was also a problem.

XT. Ma'am, teaching in one institution for such a long time is no small deal! How do you think the school has changed over the years?

Over the years there has been tremendous amount of change in infrastructure and facilities. In those days there was no English Language Lab and Creativity room. Whereas now you have an entire floor of a building dedicated to these rooms.

XT. How does it feel to be the Assistant Headmistress of the Junior School? Do you miss teaching?

It's indeed overwhelming to hold such a position. In all these months, I have evolved a lot as a person. I don't miss teaching much because as a teacher you get into a monotony which is indeed hard to break. Being the Assistant Headmistress, I get to meet a lot of new people every day, address a lot of students' problems which as a teacher I was not very well aware of.

XT. Any advice to the outgoing batch of 2017-18?

A few months from now when you will take an exit from the gates of the school, the first thing anybody will ask you is about where you come from. Xavier's from now is your identity, a label that you wear, uphold it by your deeds and actions.

XT. Thank you ma'am.

You are most welcome.



A new Beginning

A Rendezvous with
Mrs. Mona Rae

Mrs. Mona Rae was appointed the Assistant Headmistress to the Junior School this year, after several years of dedicated service which she rendered to the institution. The XT team would like to extend a heartfelt gratitude to ma'am for sparing some time from her busy schedule for us.

INVESTITURE CEREMONY SENIOR SCHOOL



Leadership is not about title or a description. It is about impact, influence and inspiration...

It was a beautiful and breezy morning on 5th May 2017, when one of the most awaited events of the school i.e., Senior School Investiture Ceremony was held. The newly chosen, enthusiastic Student Council Members were felicitated with their rightful badges.

The day began with a procession lead by the Head Boy James Babu 12B and the Head Girl, Jharna Kamdar 12F who proudly held the school flag. They were followed by the respective House Captains, Vice Captains, Head Prefects, Rishab Joshi and Aswathy S Kumar and other prefects. After hoisting the school flag, Principal Fr. Dominic Arockiam S.J., addressed the gathering and congratulated the newly elected Student Council Members and motivated them to undertake their endeavours with a sense of responsibility. This was followed by the pledge taken by the new Student



Council for equality, sincerity and justice.

After the presentation of the badges, the Head Boy and the Head Girl addressed the assembly and expressed their gratitude towards students and teachers for the golden opportunity and promised to give their best.

The Assembly concluded with the School Song.

Aswathy S Kumar, 11A

INVESTITURE CEREMONY JUNIOR SCHOOL

On the 12th of April, 2017, I, Vidushi Joshi 7F was carrying the school flag with great pride followed by many students marching behind me. It was a moment of great pride and honor for me. A moment of something I am going to cherish for the rest of my life as I marched into the Assembly Ground as the Head Girl of the Junior School. The ceremony began with

the entire newly elected Student Council marching in the Assembly Ground. After the prayer, the Head Boy Soumil Aggrawal 7D led the Students' Council in an oath of service and dedication to school. After this, the council members were awarded the badges by Father Principal. The Captains and Prefects also received their badges. At the end, Father Headmaster addressed the gathering and encouraged the Students' Council members to carry out their duties responsibly and make the school proud. This responsible designation has motivated me to follow the path of truth, honesty and sincerity. I pledge to uphold the name of our school and perform all my duties with devotion and make everyone proud.

Vidushi Joshi 7F
Head Girl 2017-18
Junior School





RECOGNITION DAY SENIOR SCHOOL

Swami Vivekananda once said, "Arise, awake and stop not till the goal is reached." The RECOGNITION DAY, is organized every year to celebrate and exemplify the spirit of excellence- the hallmark of a Xaverian. It's a momentous occasion where a confluence of sincerity, perseverance and dedication is acknowledged and honoured. The Recognition Day 2017, was a grand success and a day to be cherished for long. The day commenced with the procession led by the Head Boy-James Babu, Head Girl-Jharna Kamdar, Rector-Fr. Jose Phillip S. J., Principal-Fr. Dominic Arockiam S. J., Vice-Principal Mr. K. J. Devasia, Coordinator of Academics- Mr. A. K. Das, Headmaster-Fr. Anil Kispotta S. J., and the Asst. Headmistress Mrs. Mona Rae. The Chief Guest for the day was the honourable Judge Mrs. Shefali Bernala Tandon- an alumnae of our school from the Commerce batch of 1998. After seeking the Almighty's blessings the MC's for the day briefed the gathering about the vision of Xavier's in the educational sphere that takes into account academics, activities, sports and social skills. With innumerable opportunities to showcase talents, holistic and all round development of a child is given a reality, thus inching closer towards the most prestigious objective of the school- EVERY CHILD IS A WINNER. Parents were made aware of the latest technological advancements in our school. The junior most students of the senior wing ie 8th standard students were felicitated first followed by Xaverian Excellence and Top Academic Achievers of class 9th. After that, toppers and meritorious pupils in their respective fields were felicitated with SPECIAL AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS. The Chief Guest, then enlightened the gathering with her valuable words of advice. It was a moment of sheer joy for the parents seated in the auditorium to see their children proudly bearing the fruit of their efforts after burning the midnight oil and passing with flying colours. Meanwhile, the melodious renditions by budding Xaverians kept the audience enthralled and spellbound. Then, the students of Class 10 who appeared for their first ever board examinations and students of class 11 were awarded respectively. Afterwards the Rector, Fr. Jose Phillip S. J., was invited to address the gathering. After that the MCs concluded the programme by giving vote of thanks to each and everyone without whom the event couldn't have become flawless and immaculate. The school song was sung in the best spirit and a historic day finally came to an end.

Siddhant Vaish, 11D

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RECOGNITION DAY

JUNIOR SCHOOL

२६ अप्रैल को हमारे स्कूल में हर्ष और उल्लास के साथ मान्यता दिवस का कार्यक्रम आयोजित किया गया। इस अवसर पर सभी प्रतिभाशाली विद्यार्थियों को पूरे वर्ष के परिश्रम और लगन के लिए सम्मानित किया जाता है। शिक्षा और खेलकूद में अग्रणी विद्यार्थियों को स्वर्ण पदक तथा प्रमाण-पत्र देकर उनका हौसला बढ़ाया जाता है, साथ ही इससे अन्य विद्यार्थियों को भी प्रेरणा मिलती है।

सर्वप्रथम विद्यार्थी - परिषद के सदस्यों ने सम्मान के साथ उस दिन के मुख्य अतिथि श्री साईमन - कहम सज का स्वागत किया गया। उनके संग हमारे प्रधानाध्यापक, मुख्यध्यापक, तथा मोना रे मैडम भी मौजूद थीं। दीप-प्रज्वलन के द्वारा कार्यक्रम का शुभारंभ हुआ। प्रार्थना गीत, समूहगान और शिक्षाप्रद रोचक नृत्यों के बीच पुरस्कार - वितरण का समस्त कार्यक्रम अत्यंत आनंददायी और गौरवपूर्ण रहा। इस दिन पुरस्कार पाने वाले सभी छात्रों तथा कार्यक्रम में भाग लेने वाले विद्यार्थियों के अभिभावक भी आमंत्रित थे। सभी अभिभावकों ने बच्चों का मनोबल मजबूत करने में अपना पूरा सहयोग दिया मुख्य अध्यापक तथा मुख्य अतिथि के प्रेरणादायी शब्दों ने तो वहाँ उपस्थित सभी दर्शक गणों का दिल जीत लिया।

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MUSIC FEST

SENIOR SCHOOL

Xavier's Annual Inter House 46th Fr. Richard Curry Memorial Music Fest was held on 13th May, 2017. It proved to be an extremely colourful gala. The event began with the procession by the Student Council led by the Head Boy and the Head Girl followed by the auspicious lighting of the Ceremonial Lamp by the distinguished guests. The judges for the musical performances were Dr. Ananya Kumar Dey and Mr. Sharad Jain, while Mrs. Mukta Dwarika Mishra and Miss. Jayanti Dewan judged the choreography performances.

Firstly, Tagore House and Gandhi House graced the stage with their musical and choreography pieces. After a short break, Nehru and Bhabha House presented their enthralling presentations. All the participants left an imprint in the minds of the viewers and that is the best reward for all the hard work they put in. While the judges decided the winners, the budding artists of the school entertained everyone with their interlude performances. And then the participants and the viewers watched with baited breath, as the results were announced. Overall, Bhabha House bagged the first place, Gandhi the second, Tagore the third, and Nehru the fourth. The triumphant cries of the winners pervaded the hall as the other participants felt saddened and solemn. However, at the end of the successful programme, as every student of every House chanted 'March Ahead', they all felt like one.

Devanshi Gupta, 11F



MUSIC FEST

PREP. SCHOOL

WHEN INDIAN IDOL CAME TO ST. XAVIER'S

The "5th Father Richard Pereira Memorial Music Festival, 2017," was held on 27th September, 2017 by the Prep. School in the Millenium Hall. This year, the musical extravaganza witnessed not just the budding nightingales of India, but the tiny tots also put on their dancing shoes, making this a grand affair to remember.

The event commenced with an appeasing prayer dance by the talented students. This was followed by the group songs of class I. After this, were the solo song performances by class I and the dance numbers by the students of Prep Class. All of these performances were section wise, based on pre-given themes, which were—smile, friendship, colours, festivity, truth and unity respectively. The demonstration of students' artistry was not judged, providing every child a platform to showcase their flair and talent. The second half of the function was a tribute to the Father of the Nation, Mahatma Gandhi. The students talked about life of Bapu, followed by a dance and Prep. Choir performance. Father Kunnankal, the Chief Guest of the event, then addressed the students with a motivating message, appreciating them for their efforts as well as their skills. All the participants along with the mentors, Mr. Miranda and Mr. Subin were given gifts in recognition of their talents. The musical journey hosted by Ms. Chetnaya Babal and Ms. Ekta James came to an end with singing of the National Anthem leading the hall filled with a beautiful mix of serenity and patriotism and every heart beating with love for their great nation, India.

**Ms. Chetnaya Babal,
Ms. Ekta James**





Presenting a play is a daunting task. From actors to technicians, designers to musicians, every facet of it needs tremendous synchronisation and hard work. I feel proud to tell you that here at Xavier's, we have a reserve of talent from which stupendous art comes to fore every year in the form of the Play Fest. 43rd Father Mayer Memorial Inter House One-Act Play Fest, 2017 was conducted on 8th and 9th September, 2017. The programme began with a procession led by the Head Boy and the Head Girl, trailed by the House Captains and other dignitaries. The individuals who took on the formidable task of judging were Miss. Priyanka Sharma and Mr. Vikas Bahri. On 8th September, Hindi plays graced the stage. Nehru House produced an enigmatic play titled 'Vidambana', detailing the psychological corruption of human life because of greed. Bhabha House made the audience relive the epic 'Mahabharata' through their play 'Maharathi Karna'. Tagore House shed light on the difficult life of farmers by their production 'Ki-Insaan'. Gandhi House's play 'Padmavati' travelled back hundreds of years to elaborate the story of the rebellious queen Padmavati and her struggles. Gandhi House clinched the first position, Nehru the second, Tagore the third, and Bhabha the fourth. On 9th September, Gandhi House presented the first English Play, 'A Test for Three Detectives', a comic murder mystery about three eccentric detectives. Tagore House dazzled the stage by their supernatural play 'The Tragical History of the Life and Death of Doctor Faustus'. 'Rhinoceros' was the play presented by Bhabha House which put forth a powerful message with its unique concept. Nehru House produced a comedy play 'Father of the Year' which centred around a father and the financial and social challenges he has to face. The results were as follows—Tagore first, Nehru second, Bhabha third, Gandhi fourth. Never had the students felt so patriotic about their Houses as they did when they listened to the overall results of the Play Fest. Roars filled the hall as Gandhi was declared the winner of the first position, Tagore second, Nehru third, and Bhabha fourth. However, all performances, whether they received a prize or not, left a mark on the audience, and every person who worked tirelessly to make that possible deserves nothing but our heartfelt appreciation.

Devanshi Gupta, 11F

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PLAY FEST

JUNIOR SCHOOL



The Play Fest 2017, with the theme 'Folktales Around the World' was organised on 19th August, 2017 with full zeal and enthusiasm by the Junior School. The four Houses presented their plays with the following titles - 'The Giant's Heart' by Gandhi House 'North to The Sun and South to the Moon' by Bhabha House, leaving the audience spell bound by the cute dances of animals and scary witches. 'The Magic Mirror' was the folk tale presented by the kids of Nehru House-the performance of the princess brought the stage alive. The last play 'The Stone Soup' by Tagore House taught the moral of being kind and not selfish .

The chief guest of the programme was a former staff member of Junior School Mrs. Sudha Puri. She was overwhelmed by the performances of the children. She appreciated everyone's efforts behind the show and thus, we can say that the programme was a huge success .

Manvi Rana, 7F





Orientation Day

PREP. SCHOOL

Education is the soul of the society as it passes from one generation to another.

Orientation Day programme was held on 1st May '17 in the Millennium Hall to welcome the new buds in order to begin their Xavierian journey from the Prep. School of St. Xavier's Sr. Sec. School.

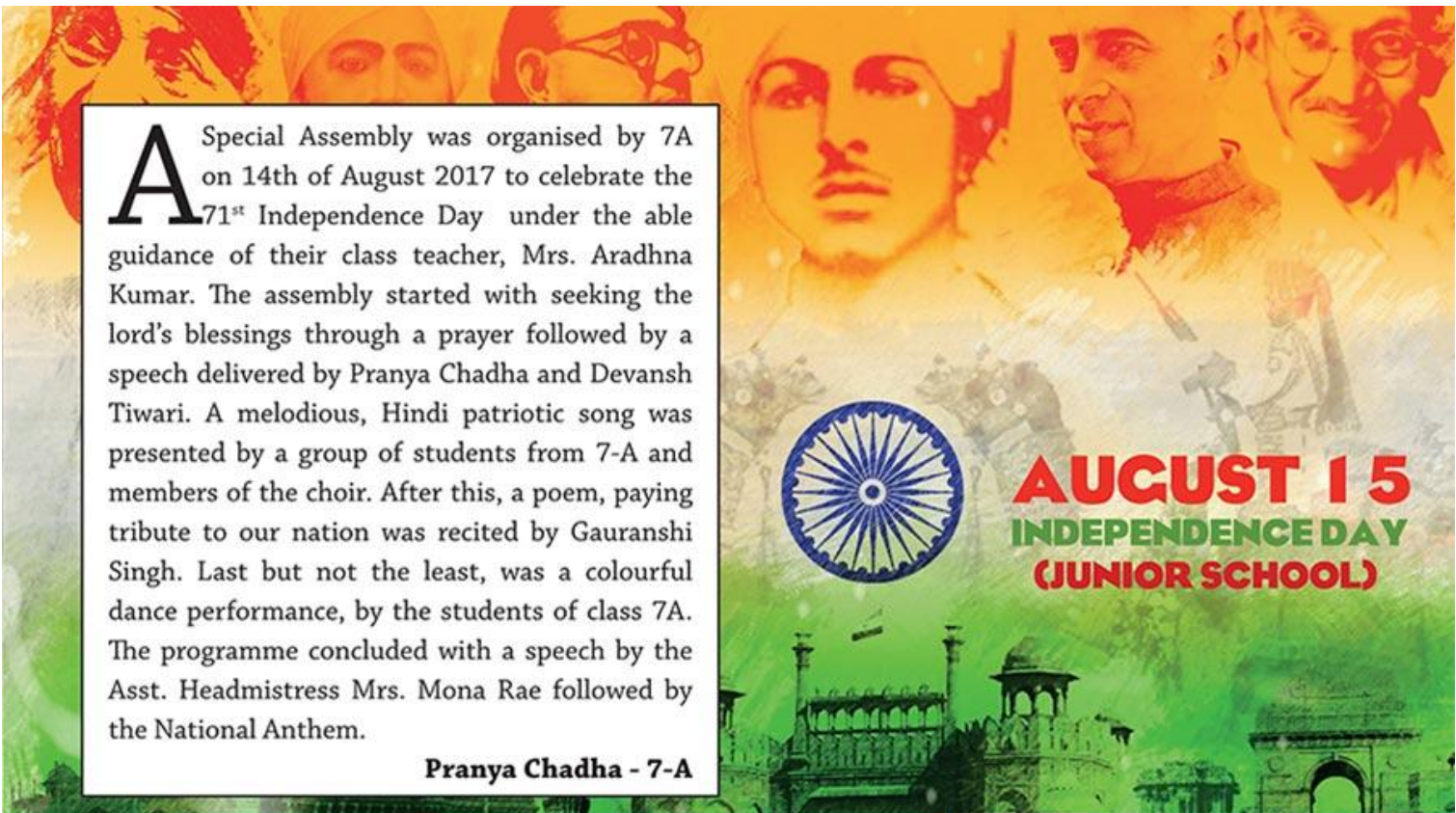
Orientation reviews everything what a student should do. The MC was Mrs. Neelam Rakhyani, who introduced the parents to the rules and regulations; class schedule; code of conduct; and they were made aware of their respective teachers.

The gathering was addressed by Rector Fr. Jose Philip S. J., Principal Fr. Dominic Arockiam S. J. and Assistant Director of the Prep School, Mrs. Rajshree Vedi.

Later, the parents proceeded to their concerned classrooms where the teachers met the parents and briefed about the methodology used by the Prep. Department.

- Mrs. Neelam Rakhyani





A Special Assembly was organised by 7A on 14th of August 2017 to celebrate the 71st Independence Day under the able guidance of their class teacher, Mrs. Aradhna Kumar. The assembly started with seeking the lord's blessings through a prayer followed by a speech delivered by Pranya Chadha and Devansh Tiwari. A melodious, Hindi patriotic song was presented by a group of students from 7-A and members of the choir. After this, a poem, paying tribute to our nation was recited by Gauranshi Singh. Last but not the least, was a colourful dance performance, by the students of class 7A. The programme concluded with a speech by the Asst. Headmistress Mrs. Mona Rae followed by the National Anthem.

Pranya Chadha - 7-A

AUGUST 15
INDEPENDENCE DAY
(JUNIOR SCHOOL)

SPECIAL DIWALI ASSEMBLY (Prep School)

The celebration of Diwali 'The festival of lights' came alive at the Prep School on Oct 16th, 2017 when the whole school wore a festive look with diyas and candles adorning the corridors and the assembly ground in bright colours. The function started with a prayer song that brought out the true essence of the festival followed by a prayer dance praising lord Ganesha. Students talked about the significance of the festival-how good conquered the evil by depicting the story of Ramayana through a drama and also about why and how Diwali is celebrated across India. A small skit was also presented to sensitize the audience and give them a message that Diwali can also be celebrated by helping the needy and the less fortunate. The dance performance in colourful costumes and music, highlighted the festivity and added good cheer to the festival. Guest of Honor, Mrs. Mona Rae, Asst. Headmistress, Juniors school appreciated the assembly and the performers She also encouraged the students to celebrate a pollution free Diwali. This assembly was a combined effort and hard work of all the students, parents and teachers of classes I-C and Prep-F.

Mrs S. Rohil and Mrs. Sandhya V

XELS XAVIER'S ENGLISH LITERARY SOCIETY

Xavier's English Literary Society popularly known as XELS, is a platform for unearthing the hidden talents in Xaverians. For years along, XELS has proved to be a medium to facilitate in the students a sense of pride and confidence. It is a club known for its meticulous planning and the most diverse spectrum of activities, which provides an opportunity to the students to explore their talents in the fields such as public speaking, creative writing, poetry, leadership and organizational skills. XELS has always been a motivating force behind the all round personality development of a Xaverian. From organizing enriching events to the decoration of the hall, from interschool events to interclass events, from refreshments to technical help, on retrospection, it all seems a crazy roller coaster ride.



INTERSCHOOL PERSONALITY CONTEST

On 2nd August 2018, XELS conducted the Inter-School Personality Contest. Many schools from all over Delhi participated in the event. The pattern of the competition was very similar to the class level contest. The Introduction Round, Just a minute Round, Situation Round with eliminations in each round and interludes between the rounds won the hearts of all. The eloquence and the confidence of the students was commendable. The Talent Round was the most awaited round of all as it showcased the hidden talent of many participants. The judges for the event were Miss. Sudha Bhaskar, a senior official from Jet Airways and Mr. Jinu Jacob, a Corporate Trainer, a proud Ex-Xaverian. The winners of the event were students of Mata Jai Kaur School, Presentation Convent and DPS. The event was full of excitement and entertainment for all.



CLUB REPORTS

ENGLISH ELOCUTIONS, 2017

English Elocution is an exciting event and a great opportunity for young and talented orators. The English Elocution is held for classes 8th to 12th. Each participant presented a speech or a poem on stage.

RESULTS OF ENGLISH ELOCUTION, 2017-18

Class 8th

Kashvi Mehta	8D	1st position
Yashvardhan	8F	2nd position
Kevin Miranda	8A	3rd position

Class 9th

Ann Maria Sunny	9F	1st position
Daniel James	9B	1st position
Joel Shijan	9E	2nd position
Amogh K. Umesh	9C	3rd position

Class 10th

Sania Javed	10A	1st position
Lois H. Markose	10A	2nd position
Aleena Biju	10A	3rd position
Umang Kartikey	10C	3rd position

Class 11th

Uma Tewari	11E	1st position
Ajitabh	11A	2nd position
Devanshi	11F	3rd position

Class 12th

Charles Babu	12A	1st position
Udeesha Singh	12A	2nd position
Aswathy	12A	3rd position

A GOLDEN MOMENT FOR BUDDING WRITERS

Language gives meaning to life and the XELS aims to transform the young Xaverians into erudite and fervent speakers of English language. In order to accomplish this aim, XELS organized two creative writing competitions-The J.A. Martins Essay Writing Competition and Moses Demello Poetry Writing Competition in fond memory of the two legendary teachers of Xaviers- Mr. J.A. Martins and Mr. Moses Demello, for classes 8th to 12th. The winners of the competition were fortunate enough to receive their certificates and trophies by two distinguished personalities, Mr. Jocelyn Martin (son of Mr. J. A. Martins) and Mr. Lester Demello (son of Mr. Moses Demello), during a special assembly. The young Xaverians were enlightened with extraordinary life history of the two veterans and inspiring speeches by their contemporaries. Along with the certificates the winning children were also awarded with cash prizes. The competitions and the award ceremony uplifted the spirits of the budding poets and prose writers.

J.A Martins Essay Writing winners

JUNIOR

Tejal	-	10E	I
Shubhangi	-	10E	II
Jaskaran Singh	-	9B	III

SENIOR

Kaushiki	-	11B	I
Bhavya Thakkar	-	12D	II
Siddhant Vaish	-	11D	III

INTER-CLASS PERSONALITY CONTEST | CLASS 12

The Inter-Class Personality Contest organized by the Xavier's English Literary Society(XELS), was held on 20th August, 2017. The contest kick-started with the 'Introduction Round' where each of the contestants was given thirty seconds to introduce themselves. The next round was the 'Visual Prop' Round which challenged the contestants' imagination and creativity in furnishing everyday objects with out of the box interpretations. The following rounds included – 'The Situation Round', in which two contestants were randomly paired up and given a situation to perform, 'The Silent Film' Round had contestants dubbing scenes from animated movies along with their, randomly paired up partners. Each was individually judged on their skills and spontaneity. The 'Talent Round' gave an opportunity to the top 18 boys and girls, who survived the Elimination Rounds to showcase their various talents. From singing, speed-painting and speeches, to stand-up comedy, acting and even preparing a dish in two minutes, the Talent Round had it all!

The audience was left in awe at the unexpected diversity of talent amongst their own classmates. The final round was 'The Judges Round'. Each of the top 8 contestants were individually called and asked a question each. This round displayed the unique views of contestants. The honourable judges for the contest were Ms. Priscilla Joanne Waters and Ms. Nivedita Verma. The ever entertaining MCs included Benjamin Biju, Anugrah Angel, Rashmi Sharma, Snigdha Pathak and Kritika Chadha. The contest ended with the Ms. Personality and Mr. Personality title awarded to Jharna Kamdar, 12F and Nijo Nobel, 12B respectively. The Ms. Personality Runner-up was awarded to K. Justina Chupae, 12A. The Mr. Personality Runner-up was awarded to Charles Babu, 12A. The contest not only provided a very good platform for exploring and showcasing one's talent but also, was a learning experience for all.

Justina, 12A



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XELS ACTIVITY CLASS 11

On 14th August 2017, after a pretty long time XELS organised the Literary Fest '17 for class 11. The audience witnessed some of the most heart wrenching rounds in the same. The opening of the fest was with the Introductory Round. This Introductory Round was done in a poetic way where both the partners introduced themselves or their partners in a poetic way. These were followed by the Poem Enactment Round, where the partners together had to enact any poem from where the elimination began and the qualified pair entered the Silent Film Round, where each pair was judged on their skills and spontaneity. At last after the final elimination was the Situation Round, and after which 4 pairs managed to bag positions as follows.

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| 1. Akshat Bisht 11B
Ganiti Jagota 11B | 3. Rishika Baroli 11A
K. Yithew Chiswete 11A |
| 2. Ritic Paul 11D
Jhanvi Verma 11D | 3. Manya Chaudhary 11 F
Thomson George 11F |

XELS ACTIVITY CLASS 10

XELS organised the Inter-Class Activity for class 10th on April 25, 2017 to encourage and boost up the confidence of our amateur laureates. The formidable task of judging was taken up by two of our highly experienced and proficient teachers from the Junior Wing: Mrs. Tuhina Bose and Mrs. Neelima Sirohi. This year, it was presentations on themes from their Main Course Book for the students of class 10th. Proving to be an opportunity for the students to explore their creativity, the XELS activity for class 10th was a huge success! All the six themes presented by the students that day were certainly very entertaining and enlightening. Our judges then provided some constructive criticism and tips for the future. And finally we reached the most awaited moment of the competition - THE RESULTS!!

The first position was bagged by 10-D followed by class 10-C and finally 10-A with the third position. It was indeed a great learning experience for our budding laureates!

Huzaifa Kamal 11-A

XELS ACTIVITY CLASS 9

XELS activity for class 9 was held on 28th April 2017. Each section of class 9 was given a theme to enact based on moral values. The judges were enthralled by the performance of the young Xaverian. The day ended with the declaration of results. 1st Position 9B 2nd Position 9F and 3rd Position 9E

XELS ACTIVITY CLASS 8

On 27th July 2017, XELS conducted an Inter Class activity for class 8 on the topic 'Famous Women of the World'. The judges, Mrs. Neetu Shankar and Mrs. Tuhina Bose were highly impressed by the performances. The competition ended with 1st position bagged by 8A, second by 8F and third by 8C. The competition was a success because of the sincere efforts of the teachers and the students.

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ABACUS CLUB

Abacus Club, every year organizes the well-known Intra School activity, BITS-N-BYTES. And this year too, we did without any exception. This time for class 8, the Club organised the event of 'MOVIE MAKING', for class 9 'VISUAL BASIC' and for class 10 it was 'WEB-DESIGNING'. Common event for class 11 and 12 was organised, 'GAME MAKING'. The event was a grand success, with majority of students, exhibiting their full potential in the event. Abacus Club would like to give thanks to all the teachers of Computer Department, and other staff members for guiding the students and making the event a great success.

Varun, 12C



TECHNICA CLUB

'Scientific attitude can't be defined, but inculcated.'

The Technica Club was established in the year 2003 by the Science Department teachers. The Club organizes various activities for the students according to their level of interest.

On August 10th and 11th the Technica Club organized the Science Exhibition for classes 8th, 9th and 10th in the Millennium Hall. The models were a perfect blend of student's creativity, imagination and scientific aptitude. It was a very fascinating exhibition with about hundred working and non-working models on display. There were models on Hydroelectric Energy, DNA structure, Rain-Water Harvesting etc. The two day exhibition ended with great spirits. The Club successfully organized these activities under the guidance of Mrs. Nazneen Chaudhary supported by the entire Science Department.



Oshin Puri, 12 A

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INDUSTRIAL VISIT

SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH

This year, St. Xavier's gave an opportunity to the 11A students to visit the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research, Delhi University along with Mrs. Nazneen Chowdhry on 26th September, 2017. There the students received information about the various ongoing researches in the field of Biology. First, we studied about the Pharmacogenomics which aims at decreasing the total cost of health care by creating drugs targeted to cure the disease at the gene level. Next, we studied about Spirometry which is a simple breathing test that measures lungs volume and allows for diagnosis of air flow obstruction. We also learnt about the adulteration and how to detect urea in adulterated milk! Next, we witnessed DNA Isolation and later divided ourselves into two teams to compete for 'DNA Decoding'. After that we learnt about Waste Management and how Bio-Plastic has successfully been developed which is easily degraded by bacteria. Finally we studied about some common diseases like Rheumatoid Arthritis and Diabetes. Then, before we left the place we were given a refreshment, and were given a short break after which we returned to school. We learnt a lot from this visit and would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to Fr. Principal, Sir Devasia and Nazneen ma'am for providing us with this opportunity.

MUSIC CLUB

The Music Club under the able guidance of the Moderator Mr. Subin Joy reached new heights and discovered new talents. This year the club once again brought laurels to the school in the field of music. Justina Chupae 12A won the first position in the solo category in the Rubino Inter School Music Fest held in St. Francis De Sales School. Our school also won the third position in the Band Performance. Holy Child Auxilium, organized 'Rhythm' a music competition in which our school put up a brilliant show.

The officials of the Music Club for the year 2017-2018 are: President: Aashna Elizabeth Joy 12F, Officials: Ashwin S. Thomas 11F, Aleena Biju 10A, Asmita K.S 9A, Kevin Miranda 8A



XAVIER BAND

The Music Club added yet another feather to its cap with the initiation of the Xavier Band. For the first time ever under the aegis of Fr. Principal and Fr. Abraham the school has acquired an assortment of wind instruments namely 2 Saxaphones, 4 Trumpets, 4 Clarinets and 5 Recorders. Under the able guidance of Mr. Miranda and Subin Sir the troupe was trained to perform at the Annual Inter house Athletic Meet to accompany the Marching Contingents. It was a treat to hear them perform at the Christmas programme and Republic day assembly. We hope to see the Xavier Band perform at several upcoming school events.



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LTS LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR SERVICE

LEADERSHIP TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR THE JUNIOR SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS

On 8th March 2017, a special Leadership Training Workshop was organised at our school with the purpose of developing and recognizing leadership qualities among selected students for the Junior School Student Council- 2017-18. Mrs. Mahendri Devi (Former Asst. Headmistress) delivered a speech pointing out the leadership qualities. She explained beautifully that a leader must possess foresight, confidence, punctuality and overall have the determination to make this world a better place to live in. A leader must have the willingness to take initiatives and bear responsibilities. Headmaster, Fr. Anil Kispotta S. J. blessed the students thereafter and shared his wisdom with them. Audio visual aids were used to make the seminar lively. Video clips highlighting leadership qualities were shown to the students. In the end, Mr. Arjun Singh instructed the students about their duties and responsibilities in future and the seminar was over. This seminar was an unforgettable experience for all of us, truly educative, informative and amazing.

Vidushi Joshi, 7F
Headgirl, Junior School

BAL MELA

On 6th March 2017 and 14th kids actually came. Volunteers served them with breakfast. To entertain them we proceeded to the Millennium Hall, where they discovered a new way to say 'yes' that is through the word 'hui'. We all didn't expect that we would meet the students who had so much confidence to show their dance or song performance on stage. The program's exciting part was the DJ when every child and even the volunteers enjoyed the dance. And then we had 'Mr. Bean' and 'Tom and Jerry' short films which entertained the kids a lot. Every section of class 11 was given one stall to set up the games and the children enjoyed winning the games. It was a session where winning didn't matter but what mattered was the smile on everyone's face. After so many playful activities then came the most awaited moment, that is, the Lunch! Many of us got emotionally attached to the kids because they

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were friendly and made us their friends instantly. Fr. Viren Minz S.J. who came along with them told us that some of them are part-time earners as well. Their teachers loved to teach them new things as it was seen that none of them littered around but they observed the nearby waste bin 'hui' and some of them even and dumped all the waste there. The volunteers learned many of their bhaiyas and didis whom they loved. Thanks to the LTS for organizing this immensely enriching experience. At last when they were about to leave we heard all of them saying



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LABOUR DAY PREP. SCHOOL

Labour Day was celebrated on May 1st 2017. This day is dedicated to the most hard-working members of our school community.

A special assembly was organised for the Service Staff of the Prep. School. They were all honoured and respectfully seated in front of the stage. The master of the ceremony was Mrs. Jasmy Sabin and class I-F students along with Mrs. Sunita Massey organised the assembly. The program began with a Prayer Dance which was lead by a song sung by the Prep. Choir. Children spoke a few lines of appreciation for each worker in our Prep. School after which they were felicitated with gifts and bouquets as a token of our love and gratitude for their selfless service. Each worker was given a chance to express their feelings in front of all. The program was concluded with an encouragement message for all the students and teachers by our Rector Fr. Jose Philip S. J.

Mrs Jasmy Sabin

LABOUR DAY JUNIOR SCHOOL

कक्षा सातवीं डी के छात्रों द्वारा 1 मई को उनके कक्षा अध्यापक श्री रमेश कुमार तिवारी जी के निर्देशन में श्रमिक दिवस पर एक विशेष सभा आयोजित की गई। जूनियर विद्यालय में कार्यरत श्रमिकों को सम्मानित किया गया तथा उनके अमूल्य योगदान के लिए आभार प्रकट किया गया। परमेश्वर की आराधना के पश्चात एक लघु नाटिका द्वारा बच्चों को श्रमिक वर्ग का आदर करने तथा कक्षा की साफ सफाई में उनका सहयोग देने का संदेश दिया गया। तत्पश्चात एक सुंदर गीत तथा एक धन्यवाद भाषण के माध्यम से इन श्रमिकों का मनोबल मजबूत करने की कोशिश की गई। हमारे मुख्याध्यापक ने सुंदर उपहार व प्रशंसा के चंद शब्दों द्वारा सभी श्रमिकों के सहयोग के लिए धन्यवाद दिया। अंत में एक सुंदर नृत्य द्वारा कार्यक्रम समाप्त किया गया।

रिया रूपाम, ग्यारवी 'अ'

LABOUR DAY SENIOR SCHOOL

"Work is not man's punishment. It is his reward, and his strength, and his pleasure."

Every morning we come to school finding it spick and span which earlier was left littered with all sorts of foils, canteen waste etc. We often forget these unsung heroes who come early in the morning and with their magic wands to make the campus clean and are always there to make our lives easier at many different levels. They work tirelessly and seamlessly towards the smooth functioning of our school. Every year we celebrate the International Labour Day on the 1st of May to say a 'thank you' which is never enough for the amount of hard work they put in daily. This year too LTS of our school took the initiative to acknowledge the fantastic job our workers perform all round the year. On behalf of the entire student community, LTS honoured the workers on 1st of May which is also celebrated as International Labour's Day all around the world. They conducted a special felicitation program for our service staff where each one of them was presented with a small token of appreciation. A song was also sung by the members of the Club in the honour of them. A special duet performance by Jibin Mathew 12D and Nijo Noble 12B was like a cherry on the top. The Special Assembly ended with an inspirational speech by Fr. Principal.

Rashmi Sharma 12A & Nidhi Khattar 11C

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ARTHASHASTRA CLUB

Arthashastra is an ancient Indian treatise on Statecraft, Economic Policy and Military Strategy. Named after it, "Arthashastra: The Economics Commerce Club" of St. Xavier's, meant especially for the Commerce students allowing them to learn more about Commerce. It also enables the students to prosper in the subjects by creative methods. The Club was launched on 18th August 2008



under the guidance of Mr. S Joseph and Mrs. K.C. Maya. Investiture Ceremony of the Club was held with the aim of making Commerce students learn more about their field in a interesting way.

The motive was to give practical exposure to students, which would further help them understand the concepts and outline their curriculum more comprehensively.

Nidhi Khattar, 11C

ENSHIP 2017

On 5th August 2017, an Entrepreneurship event was conducted in DPS, RK Puram called 'Enship 2017'. St. Xavier's was one of the 50 schools that participated in it. A first of its kind affair in DPS, 'Enship 2017' succeeded in giving its participants a mesmerising experience. One was greeted with splendour on entering the school's premises. DPS' students roamed around with walky-talkies, and students from different schools with their colourful uniforms filed into the main hall, some nervously, some proudly. There were various sub-competitions organised—Debate, in which Jharna of 12-F and Devanshi Gupta of 11-F participated; Quiz, in which Kamal Nayan Tiwari and Nikhil Nayyar of 12-F participated; Surprise Event (which turned out to be gaming), in which Mukul of 12-F participated; and Ad-making, in which Thomson George of 11-F participated. All the events were cleverly crafted and interesting. At the end of the programme, a ceremony was held in the main hall in which everyone was given important insight into entrepreneurship, its nuances, and life in general. When the participants sauntered out of DPS, they knew much more than they had known earlier about the subject.

Devanshi Gupta, 11F



INDUSTRIAL VISIT

MARUTISUZUKIINDIALTD.GURUGRAM

On 16th November, 2017 the students of class 12D and 12E along with Mr. Khalid Khan, Mr. Sibi Joseph, Mr. Nidhin Joseph and Mrs. Shipra Narang visited Maruti Udyog Limited Plant, Manesar, Gurugram.

The students were welcomed by a representative of Maruti Udyog Limited Plant in the Conference Hall where they were shown presentations of various sections of the industry and some facts. The students were provided with juice, biscuits, a cup as a souvenir and receivers through which the information about the various processes was given.

First place at the Udyog was the Press Shop where the Robotic machines work. There were three processes ie., cutting, moulding, and coating. The second shop was the Weld Shop where there were 3 processes viz. Spot Welding, Sub Assembling and Final Welding. Next was the Paint Shop where the welded bodies came through a conveyor and dipped into to a tank fixed with the required paint. Next was the Assembly Shop in which there were 3 processes viz. trim line wherein various components were fitted, chassis line and the final line.

Maruti Udyog uses eco-friendly resources like Solar Energy, Natural Lighting and Natural Ventilation that helps them to save as much energy as they can. The students learnt lessons of commitment, discipline and cleanliness.

After the plant journey all were taken to the Maruti's canteen where everyone including the employees and the boss have their lunch together like a family. After lunch the students had a group photograph and departed.

The importance of time management on seeing how each car rolls out in just 16 seconds was a great learning and fascinating experience for all!

Class 10



सृजन मंच प्रतिवर्ष कक्षा आठवीं, नवीं व दसवीं के लिए अनेक ज्ञानवर्धक व मनोरंजक प्रतियोगिताओं का आयोजन करता है जिसका मूल कारण विद्यार्थियों में अपनी मातृभाषा के प्रति प्रेम और सम्मान की भावना को जागृत करना है।

इस साल कक्षा दसवीं के लिए 'नुक्कड़ नाटक' प्रतियोगिता का आयोजन किया गया जिसमें प्रत्येक कक्षा के छात्रों ने अपनी रुचि दिखाते हुए अद्भुत कला का प्रदर्शन किया। जहाँ एक कक्षा ने 'नारी शक्ति' पर नाटक दिखाया तो अन्य कक्षाओं के विषय भी सामाजिक समस्याओं पर आधारित थे। जिससे दर्शकों ने भी इस प्रतियोगिता का खूब आनंद उठाया। प्रथम स्थान कक्षा दसवीं 'स' ने ग्रहण किया व दूसरा और तीसरा स्थान दसवीं 'ब' व 'ई' ने ग्रहण किया। ऐसी प्रतियोगिताएँ छात्रों में वाक् कुशलता व आत्मविश्वास जगाने में मदद करती है।

कृतिका 10C

Class 9



कक्षा नवीं के लिए 'काव्य नाट्य प्रतियोगिता' का आयोजन 26 अप्रैल 2017 को किया गया जिसमें हिंदी के प्रसिद्ध रचनाकारों के जीवन से संबंधित क्षेत्रों व उनकी कविताओं के भावार्थ का नाट्य मंचन किया गया। कार्यक्रम अत्यंत भावपूर्ण तथा उत्कृष्ट रहा जिसकी सराहना वहाँ उपस्थित प्रत्येक जन ने की। इसका उद्देश्य विद्यार्थियों को साहित्यकारों व उनकी सोच से परिचित कराना था। निर्णायकों के द्वारा प्रतिभागियों के वाचन व अभिनय की प्रशंसा की गई। साथ ही साथ निर्णायक मंडल ने अपने बहुमूल्य सुझाव विद्यार्थियों को दिए जिससे वे भविष्य में अपनी प्रतिभा को और निखार सकेंगे। इस 'काव्य नाट्य प्रतियोगिता' की मुख्य निर्णायिका डॉ आशा शर्मा तथा श्री मान योगेश थे।

Class 8



कक्षा आठवीं के लिए 'हास्य कवि सम्मेलन' का आयोजन 25 अप्रैल 2017 को किया गया। प्रतियोगिताओं के द्वारा सुनाई गई कविताओं ने श्रेतागणों का बहुत मनोरंजन किया। हिंदी के प्रसिद्ध व्यंग्य रचनाकारों की सामाजिक समस्याओं से संबंधित कविताओं का वाचन किया गया। जिसका उद्देश्य विद्यार्थियों को विभिन्न सामाजिक समस्याओं से अवगत करा कर उन्हें जगरूक बनाना तथा समाज सुधार के लिए प्रेरित करना था। इस 'हास्य कवि सम्मेलन' की मुख्य निर्णायिका श्री मती गौरी शर्मा तथा डॉ संगीता पाण्डेय थी। दोनों ही निर्णायक गणों ने प्रतिभागियों की सराहना की तथा सभी विद्यार्थियों को प्रतियोगिताओं में भाग लेने के लिए प्रेरित किया।

PHOTO INFINITY CLUB



Photography is the way of feeling, of touching, of loving. What you have caught on film is captured forever. It remembers little things long after you have forgotten everything

- Aaron Siskind.

It was with this thought and inspiration the members of the Photography Club started their journey for the session 2017-18. The club officials started their work for the welfare of the Club and promotion of Photography among the students under the guidance of the faculty advisors, Fr. Abraham Amalraj S. J. and Mr. Nidhin Joseph. The Photography Club, unlike the previous years, took up the initiative of involving the students of 8th standard to be the officials as it gives them a platform to hone their skills. The Photography Club Team made its presence felt in all the events in the school starting from the Labour's Day till the Inter House Sports Day. All the events whether major or minor were covered by the Photography Club. But the main achievement of the Club was the successful organisation of The Inter-House Photography Competition where students of each class from 8th to 12th were given a theme that was to be covered in the competition. The second major change this year was that the students of classes 10th, 11th and 12th were allowed to explore the local areas to cover the theme and to exhibit the same for the edification of the viewers. We, hereby, express our heartfelt gratitude to the school authorities for having given us the golden opportunity to have more experience and exposure thus, to make the best use of the ever available raw materials of Time and Light.



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ART CLUB

Art is a relative term, upholding different essence to every individual. For some, art is the stroke of brush over the canvas, or the transformation of paper by the folds. Art is the song that the heart hums, or the secrets that lurch deep within the soul. Art is the spirit of life.

On 22nd August, the School went to 'Holy Child' for an Inter-School Painting Competition and won the 1st position on the topic 'Live Depiction of Art' (Tushar Joshi



12-C, Bhavya Jain 11-C, Jharna Kamdar 12-F) and 3rd Position as well in 'Gond Art' (Jai Gaur 10-D, Priyanka 11-F). On 28th August, we went to Presentation Convent. Ksheerja Arora (8-B) acquired the 1st position, while Kshitij Joshi (8-D) received consolation on the theme 'My Roots, My Countryside'.

'Protection of ozone layer' was the theme on which our school held the competition. Winners are Akansha (10-C), Navya Treasa (9-A), Vanshika Kaushik (8-E) In 'Poster Design'; Anshita Chaudhary (10-C), Tarbia Siddiqui (11-C), Harshita (10-A). In 'Painting'; Preksha Jain (9-B), Kenesha Sarah Thomas (8-D) in 'slogan writing'.

Riya Rupam, 11A

Arts and History Exhibition, Senior School, 2017

On 17th and 18th November 2017, the Arts Club and the history students of class 11F successfully conducted the Arts and History Exhibition, 2017, decorating the Millennium Hall with splatters of paint and bricks of the lesser known monuments of Delhi. The second Arts batch of Xavier's created history by being the participants of a History Exhibition with three-dimensional models for the first time. The event flourished under the able guidance of Mrs. Charu Arora and Ms. Supriya Abraham. The glittering pieces of arts reflected a heartfelt love for the paintbrush, and the beautifully sculpted monuments spoke of hours of research and historical knowledge. The exhibits mesmerised and enthralled the audience, such that they found themselves brimming with praise and lauds for the talented Xaverians.

Devanshi Gupta, 11F

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XAVIER'S QUIZZING SOCIETY 2017-18

"THE ONLY SOURCE OF KNOWLEDGE IS EXPERIENCE"

Xavier's has been successful in providing wonderful experiences to its students by organising various activities. Some of them were organised by XQS Club 2017-18. This year, the Club has successfully focussed its activities into two streams - organising Model United Nations at the Inter School level and participating in many Inter School Quiz Competitions.

For Model United Nations, the XQS conducted two events. United Nations Mock Security Council for students of class XII, representing 5 Permanent Council members, was held on 4th May, 2017. Here the topic of North Korean Nuclear Conundrum was discussed. On 30th August, 2017 Model United Nations General Assembly was conducted on the topic 'Child Soldiers'; students from IX to XII participated representing 13 countries. These events provided great exposure to students. It was commendable to see such hidden talents, debating skills and enthusiasm among students.

The club also sent students for various Inter-School

Quiz Competitions after an internal selection process. Our students were able to reach the final round of competitions at Queen Mary's School (Gagan Malik 12D, Amogh K Umesh 9C) and St. Columba's School (Anshika Bharadwaj 9A, Shrey Gulati 9E, Shubhankar Mishra 10D and Ishaan Bajaj 12B). In the Quiz Competition organised by the Election Commission of India, two students (Jaskaran Singh 9B and Divyansh Shandaliya 11F) became the District Level Champions and qualified to participate in the State Level.

Apart from these two, the Club organised interaction programmes on legal and political awareness.

All these activities helped in enhancing knowledge and experience of the students. All these activities were possible due to the constant support and guidance of Mr. Jithin S. George who helped in making these events successful and provided base for more of such activities to be introduced in future.

MODEL UNITED NATIONS (MUN '17)

St. Xavier's Sr. Sec. School organised the very first edition of Model United Nations (MUN '17) at the school level that provided a platform to students for debating, public speaking, writing skills, critical thinking about international affairs. The ceremony of MUN '17 was held on 30th August, 2017 in the Multimedia Lab of the school.

MUN '17, brought together over

26 students from class IX to XII to recreate the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA), United Nations Educational, Scientific And Cultural Organisation (UNESCO), United Human Rights Council (UNHRC) and delegates representing different countries were present. Quite a riveting mixture of underdeveloped countries was represented there, with great

potential to give a fundamental contribution to the discussion flow.

Every participant took the dress code seriously and it felt like being at the real UN. Although formal and professional, the atmosphere was very friendly. In the next hours of the day, students representing different backgrounds were going to participate in the interesting

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long debates full of worldwide issues, to which the solution could be tricky. After establishing the agenda to discuss the topic, the representatives presented their opening statements as per the general list allotted by the Chair. During an hour long unmoderated caucus following the opening speeches, representatives met in their respective geographical blocks. The next few hours were spent building consensus and combining the drafts into a single resolution.

Students conveyed their opinions in the most positive way.

Speaking on such a sensitive topic, they were confident about their decisions and had clearly put forth their stand. Majority of participants had clear standpoints about abolishing recruitment of child soldiers, peace keeping operations and anti-terrorism movements. They strongly believed that these operations would be key tools to support and protect child soldiers.

Finally, a warm 'Thank You' was given to the organisers, speakers of the ceremony and the moderator of the Club, Mr.

Jithin. A positive feedback was received from the participants. They expressed that MUN '17 was all about merging the technical qualities and soft skills. They concluded that "It is a good training for becoming better people and better citizens." The first edition of Model United Nations was an unforgettable experience and had focused on one of the global issues so that we could all make this world a better place to live in!

-Riddhi Sharma, 11E



The National Election Awareness Quiz Competition (2017-18)

From nervous minds to shivering hands and sweaty palms, that curiosity and eagerness to know the results and that joy for getting qualified for the next rounds was a great deal of efforts, hardwork and would not have been so appreciable without the guidance of our teachers. The National Election Awareness Quiz Competition (2017-18) was a contest of 5 rounds beginning with the Inter-School followed by the District and State level contests which were a bit challenging. The DEO and the CEO had put in great efforts to make this event a grand success. The rounds were a series of Multiple Choice Questionnaires prepared by the Election Commission, the body that hosted this event. Our school was represented at the Zonal, District and State Level by a team of two students-ME Jaskaran Singh, 9B and Divyansh Shandilya, 11F. We stood first at 2 levels and will be preparing our level best for the upcoming stages. Elections are a mechanism through which we individual citizens can govern through our representatives and even contest elections as candidates. The ECI had hosted many awareness programmes in the past. We were also felicitated by Certificates of Appreciation, T-Shirts, Caps and more. We came first at the District Level, and had to be satisfied with participation certificate at the state level. Proud to be a citizen of Independent and Democratic India.

Jaskaran Singh, 9B

ROBIN

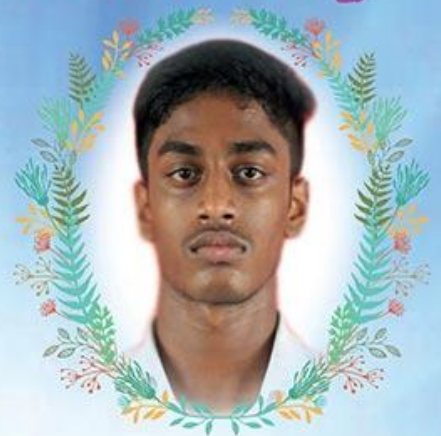
It is with great sorrow that I write to mourn the loss of my friend Robin. Robin's life was taken away from us too soon. It is hard to understand why tragic things like these happen to such good people. A quote befits this situation very well, "God picks the most beautiful flowers for his garden". We all lose friends; we lose them in death, to distance and over time. But even though they may be gone, hope is not. The key is to keep them in your heart, remember them and cherish those moments, sweet moments spent with them, forever. Whenever a friend dies, it's a part of you that dies. Robin was a shy soul who spent every single moment of his life putting smiles on everyone's faces. I remember when he was with me in the 9th standard, he didn't talk much, but was the humblest person I had ever met. His role in the Student Council and in the LTS proved his dedication to the school and to the humanity. When I heard the sad news of his departure, I didn't believe it. I just had seen him two days before. That night, I looked at the sky full of stars, thinking, perhaps they are not stars but rather openings in heaven where the love of our lost ones shines down to let us know they are happy. Rest in peace Robin! We all miss you very much.

- Jharna Kamdar 12F

Obituary



HIMANSHU



ROBIN



ADITEE

HIMANSHU

ADITEE

We are deeply saddened by the sudden demise of Himanshu. We are proud to have known such a kind, warm and brilliant person. Dear friend, even today we admire your beautiful handwriting, your smile, your sincerity and your friendly nature. Our prayers and thoughts are with you and with those you left behind.

Gulparmar & Nikshay 5-E

In the month of February, Xavier's lost another flower from its garden of wisdom. After struggling and fighting bravely against an acute illness, Aditee left for her heavenly abode. A student of class 12E, Aditee, was a cheerful girl and had an admirable persona. We pray to the Almighty to grant strength to the bereaved family and friends. May her soul rest in peace!



Teacher's Day Celebrations

Prep. School

Teacher's Day Assembly was held by classes Prep B and Prep D on 5th September, 2017. Tiny tots of these classes joined hands together in being perfect MCs for the day. Program started with Lord's prayer followed by a dance performance and a musical skit which depicted the importance of teachers in our lives, for bringing us back to the roots. All the fathers and teachers were felicitated by the children with a bouquet and a scroll as a token of their immense love and respect for them.

A special speech was delivered by Mrs. Maria James (guest of honour) encouraging the teachers and students equally on the same platform. Mrs. Rajshree VEDI (the Asst. Director of Prep. School) gave the vote of thanks for the valuable support of the staff and children for the program.

The Prep School choir sang melodious songs enthusiastically and joyfully praising the teachers, which acclaimed highest applauds. The program ended with the Xavier Song.

Ms. Shagun and Ms. Garima





शिक्षक दिवस

जूनियर विद्यालय

कक्षा सातवीं 'ब' के सभी विद्यार्थियों ने मिलकर पाँच सितंबर को 'शिक्षक दिवस' का अद्भुत कार्यक्रम प्रस्तुत किया।

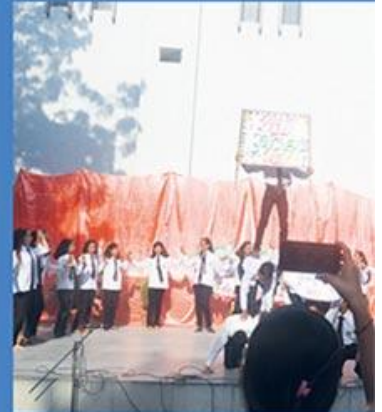
ईश्वर वंदना के उपरांत शिक्षकों का अभिनंदन किया गया और उन्हें शिक्षक दिवस की बधाई दी गई। शिक्षकों के सम्मान में छात्रों द्वारा अनमोल शब्दों का वाचन हुआ साथ ही कुछ महत्वपूर्ण पंक्तियाँ भी सुनाई गई। विद्यार्थियों द्वारा बनाये गए आकर्षक कार्ड तथा पुष्प सभी शिक्षकों को भेंट किए गए। कार्यक्रम के द्वारा प्रस्तुत किया गया नृत्य और नाटिका भी अति उत्तम थे। इनमें बच्चों की लगन और मेहनत दिख रही थी।

अंत में फादर अनिल किस्पोटा के द्वारा दिए गए संदेश ने, एक ओर शिक्षकों को उनके निःस्वार्थ सेवा के लिए धन्यवाद दिया तो दूसरी ओर हम सभी छात्रों का आत्मबल मजबूत करते हुए हमें गौरवान्वित किया। इस कार्यक्रम के सफल कार्य के लिए हम सभी बच्चे अपने कक्षा अध्यापक श्री संदीप के.एम. का बहुत-बहुत धन्यवाद करते हैं।

याशिका
सातवी 'ब'

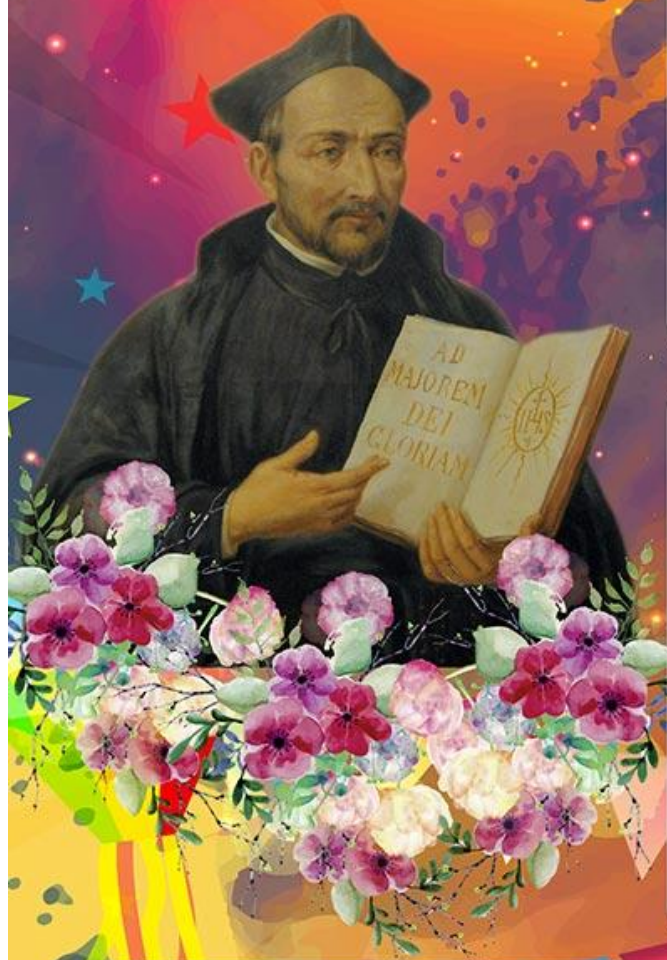


The Xavier Times



Feast Celebrations

ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA



फीस्ट ऑफ संत इग्नेशियस ऑफ लोयोला

प्रतिवर्ष की तरह इस वर्ष भी जूनियर विद्यालय के प्रांगण में संत इग्नेशियस का फीस्ट दिवस बहुत धूम धाम से मनाया गया। गाँधी सदन की शिक्षिकाओं के नेतृत्व में इस कार्यक्रम का आयोजन किया गया। ईश्वर वंदना, प्रेरणार्थक शब्दों के साथ-साथ पॉंचवी, छठी और सातवीं कक्षा के छात्रों द्वारा एक लघु नाटिका भी प्रस्तुत की गई थी जिसका निर्देशन श्रीमती संगीता पाण्डेय एवं श्रीमती गौरी शर्मा जी ने किया था। मुझे भी इस नाटिका में भाग लेने का अवसर मिला। वहाँ उपस्थित सभी छात्रों ने शांतिपूर्वक कार्यक्रम का अवलोकन करके हम सभी बच्चों का निःसंदेह मनोबल मजबूत किया।

कार्यक्रम के अंत में फादर अनिल किसपोटा ने हमें संत इग्नेशियस द्वारा दिखाए गए मार्ग पर चलने की प्रेरणा दी और हमें 'सादा जीवन उच्च विचार' को आत्मसात करने के लिए प्रोत्साहित किया।
आन्जनेय भट्टाचार्य, सातवीं 'स'

The feast of St. Ignatius of Loyola was celebrated on 28th July, 2017 in the Prep. Assembly Ground. The assembly started with praising the Almighty with the prayer dance. The children enlightened all by speaking about St. Ignatius of Loyola, his past life and later about his noble works for the upliftment of the society. The assembly concluded with a joy dance praising his noble works. Rev. Father Anil Kispotta S. J., delivered the feast message to the children.

**Ms. Aditi Biswas and
Ms. Harsh Lata Lakra**

On July 28th, Xavier's celebrated the Feast of St. Ignatius of Loyola, the founder of the society of Jesus. A special assembly was conducted. Students presented speeches and quoted St. Ignatius's wise words. They gave us a peep into the life of this great Saint and left many of us to ponder upon his teachings. A great scholar, Ignatius was born and brought up in a wealthy family in Spain and aspired to be a soldier. However he realised that God had a different plan for him therefore he left everything to follow the path of Christ. He later found the religious order the Society of Jesus. On this special day we pray that the blessings of the Almighty be bestowed upon the members of the Jesuit Community as well as all the members of Xaverian family.

On December 1, 2017, the Prep School celebrated the Feast of St. Francis Xavier. A special assembly was conducted by the students of classes Prep 'A' and Prep 'C' under the guidance of Mrs. Promila Mittal, Ms. Surabhi Paul and Ms. Shagun Trehan.

The chief guest for the day was Fr. P. T. Augustine S.J. The programme began with a Prayer Dance. The students spoke about the life and works of St. Francis Xavier, which was followed by a musical skit by the students. The skit showed the vision of St. Xavier which is carried out by the Fathers of the Jesuit Society in different parts of the world. The skit touched the hearts of all the people present there. The students also performed a Joy Dance to celebrate the feast of St. Xavier.

Fr. P. T. Augustin S.J. delivered the message to the students, their parents and encouraged them to learn to love each other and care for each other.

Ms. Surabhi Paul

Mrs. P. Mittal

Feast Celebrations

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER



On 1st December 2017, the students of class 7F had the pleasant privilege to conduct a Special Assembly on the occasion of Feast of St. Francis Xavier. All the students of class 7F took part in the assembly. Our school is run by the Society of Jesus and St. Francis Xavier was one of the founding fathers of the Society of Jesus. My classmates practiced hard for the event. There were two group dances prepared by the students themselves. Some of my classmates threw light on the life of St. Francis Xavier. He arrived in Goa on May 6, 1542. His primary mission was to restore Christianity among the Portuguese settlers. He devoted three years in preaching among them. He died on December 3, 1552, while he was on his way to China. That is the reason why we celebrate the Feast on December 3rd. After the dances, the students presented a melodious song prepared by some of the classmates and the English Choir members. This day holds special significance for all the Xaverians who seek continuous inspiration from the Great Saint.

Vaishnavi, 7F

Xavier Fair 2017

The most awaited and wondrous event of the Xaverians

– The Xavier Fair, 2017 – was conducted on 9th December. With the major motive of generously helping the economically weaker students, the Xavier Fair also encourages the Xaverian family to have a wonderful time together. It was inaugurated by Fr. Dominic Arokiam, SJ. The stalls with challenging games and mouth-watering delicacies filled everyone's heart with abundant happiness. All the classes put up their stalls with one aim in mind, to help the needy. Not only the children but even the teachers and everyone who was present enjoyed to their fullest.

It was the best fair, Xavier's ever had.

**Ann Maria
Sunny,
9F**

The Prep School too organized their fun fair on Dec 9th, 2017, in its premises with lots of fun and excitement. There were 6 games stall, 1 coupon stall and an announcement stall. Food stalls served some mouth-watering delicacies like pizza, chowmein, tikki, chaat-papri, bakery items, etc...

Two classes clubbed together for a single stall with some exciting games like Feed the Monkey, Jungle Safari, Match the Colors and Grab your Lucky Odd.

Kids grabbed attractive prizes like stuffed toys, puzzles, blocks, toy cars, coloring books, bouncing balls, etc.

Giant inflatable Mickey Mouse and Toy Train brought smiles to the faces of our tiny tots. Jesuit Fathers along with the Management committee visited the Prep School and encouraged the students to win exciting prizes. The whole purpose of Xavier Fair, which is to raise funds to sponsor the EWS students was met and not only the children but everyone who was present enjoyed their afternoon to the fullest.

**SANDHYA VASUDEVAN
Prep School**



MOTHER'S DAY

PREP SCHOOL



"Mother's love is unconditional."

To celebrate this day of love, on 11 May 2017, the tiny tots of St Xavier's School presented a lovely show dedicated to their mothers. On this occasion, former Asst. Director, Prep School, Mrs. Maria James was the guest of honour. Students of classes 1-D and 1-E showed their love and gratitude towards their mothers by presenting heart-touching songs, rhymes, and dances. Mothers of these students also performed on stage with great enthusiasm. It was a great pleasure watching super-excited moms with their dynamic and energetic children performing beautifully on stage. Each act was special and different in its own way. Mrs VEDI, Asst Director, Prep School, gave a short message on the occasion. Fr Jose Philip S. J., the Rector, wished all the mothers Happy Mother's Day and gave a motivational speech to the young ones. Mrs. Kiran Mehta and Mrs. Neelam Rakhyani, co-ordinators of the event concluded the spectacular show by presenting a token of love to the performing mothers and their children.

—Mrs. Kiran Mehta

कविता वाचन प्रतियोगिता 2017-18

हिन्दी विभाग के द्वारा हर वर्ष की तरह इस वर्ष भी हमारे जूनियर विद्यालय में कक्षा दूसरी से सातवीं तक के विद्यार्थियों के लिए कविता वाचन प्रतियोगिता आयोजित की गई थी।

दूसरी, तीसरी तथा चौथी कक्षा के बच्चों ने सामूहिक रूप से अपनी-अपनी कविताएँ सुनाई। कक्षा पाँचवी, छठी तथा सातवीं के हर विभाग के चारों सदनों से चयनित एक-एक बच्चे ने अपनी कविता बहुत ही रोचक ढंग से प्रस्तुत की। वहाँ उपस्थित निर्णायक गण, दर्शक गण तथा सभी प्रतियोगी बच्चे कार्यक्रम का पूरा आनंद उठा रहे थे। बहुत ही अनुशासित ढंग से बच्चों ने अर्थपूर्ण तथा उत्कृष्ट कविताओं का वाचन किया। मुझे यह बताते हुए हर्ष का अनुभव हो रहा है कि कविता वाचन प्रतियोगिता में मुझे भी आशीत सफलता प्राप्त हुई और मैंने प्रथम स्थान प्राप्त किया।

नुपुर
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Spell Bee 2017

On the 25th of August 2017, an English Language Quiz, "Spell Bee", was organised for classes 5,6 and 7 in the school's Millennium Hall. For class 6, Mrs. N. Sirohi conducted the quiz while Ms. Priscilla Waters conducted it for class 7 and Mrs. K.C. Michael for class 5. The quiz was an entertaining and enriching experience with some very interesting rounds like "Make New Words," "Fastest Finger First" and "Identify Me". All the participating teams showed great enthusiasm and zeal, making the quiz a grand success.

Uday Sirohi, 6D

Inter School G.K Quiz

There were twenty teams participating in the Inter School G. K Quiz held by our school for students of classes 6th and 7th. The preliminary round was a pen-paper round with 30 questions. Only six schools qualified for the main rounds in which St. Xavier's, Delhi was proud to be the top scorer. All the schools were warmly welcomed by the M.C for the day, Mrs. P Choudhary . This was followed by a beautifully rendered prayer song, "All Heaven Declares". Our quiz master was Mrs. Rachita Trikha. The quiz had many rounds like I.Q. round, audio-visual round, rapid fire round and not to be forgotten the very interesting, the 'Country Round'. Here all the six teams had to choose one state of India and questions were asked pertaining to that state. St. Xaviers choose Maharashtra. In the initial stage our team was only at 60 points, but during the rapid fire round we answered nine questions correctly and made a big jump from 60 to 150 points. Our team finished at 180 points and as we were the host team, not competing for the 1st place, we were declared second with Modern School, Barakhamba Road at first place and Queen Mary's School at the third place. The quiz was very educative, thrilling and challenging. As participants, I, Aanjaneya, (7C) and Aaditya (7F) had an awesome experience.

Aanjaneya Bhattacharjee, 7E

हिंदी –दिवस

दिनांक 14 सितम्बर, 2017 को जूनियर – विद्यालय में श्रीमती सीमा चौहान व श्रीमान रमेश कुमार तिवारी के दिशानिर्देशन में 'हिंदी-दिवस' की सभा आयोजित की गई। उक्त सभा में कक्षा-7 'बी', 7 'डी' व 7 'एफ' के छात्रों ने बढ़ चढ़कर भाग लिया। सभा के माध्यम से सभी छात्रों को हिंदी-भाषा व हिंदी-दिवस से संबंधित रोचक तथ्यों से अवगत करवाया गया। कक्षा-3 'बी' द्वारा एक मधुर कविता का वाचन किया गया तथा कक्षा-7ड व 7फ के छात्रों द्वारा हिंदी-भाषा से संबंधित एक सरस गीत प्रस्तुत किया गया। तत्पश्चात् 'फादर-हेडमास्टर' जी ने भी छात्रों को हिंदी-दिवस की शुभकामनाएँ दीं व हिंदी-भाषा संबंधित महत्वपूर्ण जानकारी से हम सभी को अवगत करवाया।

(पुष्कर खट्टर कक्षा-7ड)

खो-खो प्रतियोगिता 2017-18

हमारे विद्यालय में लड़कियों के लिए हर वर्ष खो-खो प्रतियोगिता आयोजित होती है। मैं इस खेल में विशेष रुचि रखती हूँ। हर सदन की (भाभा, गाँधी, नेहरू और टैगोर) टीम में 12-12 खिलाड़ी होते हैं। सभी खिलाड़ी बहुत जोश के साथ मैच खेलते हैं। इस वर्ष भाभा हाउस की हमारी टीम को तीसरा स्थान प्राप्त हुआ। खो-खो के सभी खिलाड़ी हार को एक चुनौती मानकर बेहतर प्रदर्शन की सीख लेते हैं तथा नियम से अभ्यास के द्वारा अच्छा खेलने की कोशिश करते हैं। इससे हम खिलाड़ियों का आत्म विश्वास मजबूत होता है तथा टीम भावना विकसित होती है।

स्वरा 5C



INTER XAVIER MEET

Our school organized the first ever Inter Xavier Meet on 1st and 2nd September 2017. Students from 6 different St. Xavier's Schools all across Northern India participated. We were put into different teams named after some inspiring Jesuit personalities- Arrupe, Ignatius, Xavier, Britto and Faber. Sports, literature, music and dance found beautiful expression in this programme. Students from different schools were put together in one team and we got to know each other through the activities organized. There was Literary Fest, treasure hunt, Football and Basketball matches, painting competition, film show, and a presentation of songs and dances by each school. The highlight was the sleepover in the multimedia Lab and Prep Department and of course the sumptuous meals served to us.

The programme was a grand success only due to the dedication of our teachers, Swapna ma'am, Maya ma'am, Divya ma'am, Jesly ma'am, Nidhin sir, Subin sir and Shobha ma'am who made this event a magical one. The interaction held together the charisma of the show in which a lot of hard work was put in. I learnt a lot from this event; the feeling of togetherness, partnership and leadership skills and we gained friends too. The sense of teamwork and communication was put to extensive use and helped many Xaverians gain the experience they were craving for. At the end I would like say that the event made a major difference in our life. EstoVir!

Kevin Miranda, 8A

CBSE TOPPERS -CLASS 10



AASHI JINDAL
CGPA 10



ALEENA SHIBU
CGPA 10



ANSH TANGRI
CGPA 10



BHAVYA JAIN
CGPA 10



BRINDA MISHRA
CGPA 10



FABEEHA HASEEB
CGPA 10



GANITI JAGOTA
CGPA 10



KSHITIZ
CGPA 10



MEENAL GUPTA
CGPA 10



MEHAK CHAUDHARY
CGPA 10



NEELANSH GARG
CGPA 10



RIDDHI SHARMA
CGPA 10



SHREYASH DUTT
CGPA 10



SIDDHANT VAISH
CGPA 10



VIBHU GOYAL
CGPA 10



YASH GARG
CGPA 10

CBSE TOPPERS - CLASS 12

RESULT 2016 -17, AT A GLANCE

SCHOOL TOPPERS



RITESH PRATAP SINGH
Commerce - 96.8%



SRISHTI CHOPRA
Science - 96.8%



VARUN JAIN
PHY-98%, CHE-98%, C.S. - 99%



HIMANSHU DEWAN
CHE. - 98%



NEELAKSH ARYA
BIO. - 95%



DIVYA DAS
BIO. - 95%



SHREYA ARORA
BIO. - 95%



SHONIMA MINHAS
C.S. - 99%

SUBJECT TOPPERS



VIDUSHI
ENGLISH - 97%



SRISHTI CHOPRA
MATHS-99%, CHE.-98%



LAKSHAY BHARDWAJ
CHE. - 98%



MAYANK PAL
CHE. - 98%



SWARNIMA SINGH
BIO. - 95%



AASHIMA SACHDEVA
BIO. - 95%



RITESH PRATAP SINGH
ACC.- 95%, ECO-100%



NEELISHA DHAN
B.ST. - 97%

CBSE TOPPERS -12



ANSHIKA-SUNNY
ACC. - 95%



BUNEET BANSAL
ACC. - 95%



RHYTHM GARG
ACC. - 95%



SIDDHARTH AMBAVAT
ACC. - 95%



SHIVI MEHRA
ACC. - 95%



SARTHAK RASTOGI
I.P - 95%



RASHNEET SINGH
Ph. Ed. - 91%

SPORTS STALWARTS

ANUSHKA, 9F

Keeping this motto in life 'Do your best so that you don't have to blame yourself for anything,' I yearned to become a sports person since childhood and sports seems to bring out the best in me. I played my first zonals in 6th standard and today I am one of the best athletes of my school. I have played Basketball and Badminton Zonals and I have been selected for the Nationals of Korfbal Under-17 and went to Punjab to represent Delhi. I am highly obliged to my parents who gave me strength and courage to face all the challenges in this journey. I would really like to thank everyone who supported me and made me capable of becoming such a successful sports person. Last but not the least, I would like to whole-heartedly thank the place which helped me become what I am today 'THE XAVIERIAN INSTITUTION'.



Suhani R. Sharma, 6A

In order to succeed, your desires for success should be greater than your fear of failure. Beginning her race in the field of Swimming Competition to the Padma Shri Avindeer Singh Brar Swimming Championship event, Suhani Rachel Sharma of 6A has bagged golden milestones for the Xaverian Family. This year she started her Swimming Championships with participations in 50m freestyle, 4 X 50m freestyle relay in CBSE National Events. 100m Breast Stroke and 100m freestyle relay trails in the school national trials. She was never afraid of her failures, instead she learned from her mistakes. Her hard work helped her to achieve Gold and Silver in the Open Aquatic Meet Talent Search, Delhi State, 53rd Swimming Championship and Inter-House Swimming Meet. She has even received Rs.5000 for securing 1st position in Delhi State Scholarship. She achieved not only in North Delhi but also in South Delhi by securing Gold in most of the events in South Delhi Aquatic Championship. Suhani has achieved excellence not only in swimming but is extremely talented in basket ball also. She has achieved excellence in the Basket Ball Zonals. Her achievements are hard to express. At her very young age she has made Xaviers proud.

Esto Vir!!!

Albeena Elizabeth Bibu, 9F
Ann Maria Sunny, 9F



Ankita Haldar, 9C

"You just can't beat the person who never gives up."

Keeping this thought in mind, Ankita Haldar of 9C was determined to succeed this year. Throughout the year she held herself up strongly and secured achievements in a series of events like Talent Search-Aquatic Championship, Delhi State Aquatic Championship, CBSE Swimming Competition, Swimming Meet Zonals and even YMCA (swimming). Her desire to achieve success for her school got her selected for the CBSE nationals held in Sonapat. Hats off to our talented swimmer.

Esto Vir!

Albeena Elizabeth Bibu, 9F
Ann Maria Sunny, 9F



Jyotsna Sharma, 11E

Jyotsna Sharma 11E is known as a disciplined athlete. She participated in 100m and 400m in the Pacific School Games trials, Delhi State, Summer Athletic Meet and in the International trials held during December. In the Athletic Zonals, she bagged the third position in the 100m, 200m and 400m races and secured 1st position in the Relay.

Ann Maria Sunny 9F
Albeena Elizabeth Bibu 9F



Karan Sardana, 12E

Xavier's has once again reached to its glory. Karan Sardana of 12 E has made it possible by representing India in 2nd Al Ahli Dubai Open (Karate). He bagged gold in 62nd National School Games and bronze in 2nd International Open. He participated in 60th, 61st and 63rd National School Games and KAI Nationals.

Albeena, 9F
Ann Maria Sunny, 9F



JUNIOR SCHOOL SWIMMING MEET 2017

On 23rd Sept. 2017, the Junior Wing of St. Xavier's School held the most exciting event of the year, the Junior School Swimming Meet' 2017. The first event of the day started amidst huge applause as the tiny tots of the Prep School plunged into the swimming pool. This was followed by a chain of events, in which students from classes II to VII participated. The budding swimmers participated in a number of events, from individual medley to freestyle relays, employing different swimming strokes. The participants exhibited hard work, self-discipline and great team spirit, making everyone present proud. The swimming meet proved to be a huge success and ended with everyone singing the school song in unison.

Aanjaneya Bhattacharjee, 7C



Junior Sports Achievers

Chess Tournament

3rd - 7th Std. GIRLS		
S.No	Name	Cls./Hou.
1.	Aldreena M. Bibu	3D B
2.	Ahaana Sharma	3B G
3.	Inayah Shadman	3D G
S.No	Name	Cls./Hou.
1.	Garishma Katari	4D N
2.	Marcia Toms	4A G
3.	Lavanya Nigam	4D T
S.No	Name	Cls./Hou.
1.	Tanishka Arora	5B T
2.	Himadri	5C N
3.	Vidushi Rajvanshi	5A G
S.No	Name	Cls./Hou.
1.	Tiya Ginu	6E N
2.	Iram Arora	6A T
3.	Ananya Gupta	6E G
4.	Rishika Jain	6D B
S.No	Name	Cls./Hou.
1.	Manvi Rana	7F T
2.	Shivangi	7E B
3.	Prakriti	7F G
4.	Mrinalini Singh	7A N

3rd - 7th Std. BOYS		
S.No	Name	Cls./Hou.
1.	Ruhaan Chadha	3D B
2.	Veer Aswal	3F T
3.	Keshan Aggarwal	3B N
4.	Soumya Daga	3F G
S.No	Name	Cls./Hou.
1.	Devesh Gupta	4C B
2.	Suryansh Pandit	4F T
3.	Apoorav Shukla	4A N
4.	Keshav Mittal	4F T
S.No	Name	Cls./Hou.
1.	Sanidhya Singh	5C B
2.	Padmanabh Pandey	5C T
3.	Arit Singh	5E T
4.	Eklavya Rawat	5D G
S.No	Name	Cls./Hou.
1.	T- Sriman	6C B
2.	Rahul Khatri	6F N
3.	Akshit Malhotra	6F G
4.	Harshit Aneja	6C T
S.No	Name	Cls./Hou.
1.	Qubtan Dafin Islam	7F T
2.	Nakul P.Goyal	7B B
3.	Manas Jethi	7F N
4.	Vansh Mittal	7C T

4th DELHI NCR GAMES

FUTSAL (5 Vs 5) TOURNAMENT (U17)

Two students of our school, alongside seven others, participated in the 4th Delhi NCR Games Football Tournament held at the Tyagaraj Stadium (INA) on Sunday, 24th of November, 2017. The tournament saw the participation of 10 teams in total and each team had to play a match against each of the other 9 teams. The winner of the tournament was a team named 'Panthers FC', of which Abhishek Gupta of 10-F and Jacob Ago of 10-E were a part. The team topped the league table with 27 points, having won all of their 9 matches after netting the ball at a total of 40 times. The tournament began at 8 in the morning and ended at 5 in the evening. The winning team, i.e. 'Panthers FC' was given a trophy as a symbol of their victory. All the players of the team got a medal, a certificate and a Football jersey each. Jacob scored a total of 5 goals and assisted 6 goals while Abhishek scored 6 and assisted 2.

(TEAM MEMBERS- Anubhav, Yash, Abhay, Piyush, Jacob, Abhishek, Dhananjay, Rudra and Akshay)

Abhishek Gupta, 10A

Swimming		
Class 2 - Boys		
Best Swimmer	Lavesh Kappor	2D - Nehru (15)
Most Promising Swimmer	Arush Wadhwa	2D - Gandhi (9)
Class 3 - Boys		
Best Swimmer	Rishiit Wadhwa	3A - T - (11)
	Ishaan Sharma	3F - G - (11)
Most Promising Swimmer	Lashay Sah	3E - G (T)
Class 4 - Boys		
Best Swimmer	Karan Verma	4C - Gandhi (15)
Most Promising Swimmer	Shreshth Verma	4D - Nehru (9)
Class 4 - Girls		
Best Swimmer	Garishma Kataria	4D - Gandhi (13)
Most Promising Swimming	Shriya Ramesh	4D - Nehru(6)
Class 5 - Girls		
Best Swimmer	Sahana A. Kumar	5C - T (15)
Most Promising Swimmer	Vidushi RajVanshi	5A - G (8)
Class 5 - Boys		
Best Swimmer	Ayush Aggarwal	5A - T (15)
Most Promising Swimmer	Kaustav Kedia	5D - N (8)
Class 6 - Girls		
Best Swimmer	Suhani R.Sharma	6A - G (15)
Most Promising Swimmer	Sarisha Mehta	6E - B (9)
Class 6 - Boys		
Best Swimmer	Akshat Kumar	6F - N (15)
Most Promising Swimmer	Tushya Vats	6F - T (13)
Class 7 - Girls		
Best Swimmer	Utsav	7C - T (15)
Most Promising Swimmer	Anoushka Das	7C - G (7)
Class 7 - Boys		
Best Swimmer	Harsh Bandooni	7A - N (15)
Most Promising Swimmer	Gaurav Kapoor	7A - G (9)

56th Inter House Athletic Meet (Results)

80Mtr. Race, Class 2				
S.No	Boys	Class	Girls	Class
1.	Avi Singh Chauhan	2B - G	Pakhi Danghwal	2D - N
2.	Om Bhati	2D - B	Navika Sharma	2C - G
3.	Anubhav Kumar	2B - T	Siya Kawal	2C - B

Class 3				
1.	Akhil Sunny	3B - B	Aastha Surin	3B - B
2.	Bernard Jose	3D - G	Vanshika Goswami	3F - G
3.	Francis D. Singh	3C - T	Navya Jain	3F - N

Class 4				
1.	Aditya Pant	4A - N	Tanisha	4E - T
2.	Divyam Bhandari	4B - B	Shalom W. Richard	4A - G
3.	Ashish Kashyap	4E - T	Samridhi Joshi	4A - G

200 mtr Race, Class 5				
1.	Jerome K. Jaymon	5D - T	Himadri Yadav	5C - N
2.	Aayush Kumar Sachan	5E - B	Shreya Singh	5B - B
3.	Om Tonger	5B - N	Samridhi	5E - B

Class 6				
1.	Kumar Sanyog Mishra	6B - N	Shreyasi	6A - T
2.	Prateek Gupta	6A - T	Poorva Singh	6F - G
3.	Jatan	6C - B	Aditi	6C - B

Class 7				
1.	Joshua Jose	7E - T	Kanishka	7E - G
2.	Mathews M. Venad	7F - T	Astha	7F - G
3.	Harjot Singh	7D - G	Sneha	7A - T
4.	Kanishk Jethi	7A - B		

400 mtr Race, Class 5				
1.	Meedansh Jain	5B - B	Niharika Rawat	5D - B
2.	Abishek Bhargava	5D - G	Saloni	5E - T
3.	Mihir Kumar	5F - B	Aloma K. Biju	5B - G

Class 6				
1.	Yatharth Uttam Kumar	6F - N	Mokshda Kaushik	6A - T
2.	Mohd. Faisal Massod	6D - T	Kashvi	6D - N
3.	Krishna Arora	6A - G	Venus Maria Toms	6D - G
			Dipanshika Rajput	6F - T

Class 7				
1.	Nirmal Noby	7B - T	Alice Singh	7B - G
2.	Aryan Khandelwal	7B - G	Angel Maria Ajai	7F - T
3.	Nakul P. Shine	7F - G	Sheilja Bansal	7E - T

80 mtr. Hurdle Race, Class 2				
S.No	Boys	Class	Girls	Class
1.	Lavish Sharma	2A - B	Bhumika Goel	2C - N
2.	Shaurya Tomar	2F - G	Tiya Barla	2D - G
3.	Yash Khanna	2E - T	Elakshi Meena	2E - N

Class 3				
1.	Naitik Yadav	3B - G	Anishka Goel	3A - G
2.	Mohd. Zaki Haider	3C - G	Huda Wahidy	3E - T
3.	Akhil Sunny	3B - B	Aakriti Jha	3A - B

Class 4				
1.	Vikalp Rawat	4D - G	Kaithlyn Bor	4E - G
2.	Veer Tonger	4D - B	Anika Tigga	4C - G
3.	Dhruv KR. Gola	4C - N	Shrishti Bisht	4D - T
4.	Tarun Kapoor	4B - T		

Three Legged Race, Class 5				
1.	Sheetal	5A - N	Sunishka Kumar	5B - N
2.	Swara	5C - T	Jahnavi	5F - T
3.	Anvita Kiro	5D - G	Kriti Lohia	5A - G

Class 6				
1.	Stuti Jashmera	6A - B	Pranjil Singh	6F - B
2.	Madhvi Jha	6D - T	Shreya Khanojia	6B - T
3.	Dimple	6A - G	Chitrakshree	6A - G

Class 7				
1.	Ishita Verma	7E - B	Alvinna Benny	7B - B
2.	Utsav	7C - T	Meghna Singh	7B - T
3.	Anoushka Das	7C - G	Mamoni	7A - G

25 mtr. Scoop and Ball Race, Class 2				
1.	Ujjawal Deep	2A - T	Mahoring E. Shimrah	2E - N
2.	Priyanshu	2F - B	Mahak Pandiya	2D - T
3.	Abhinav	2C - B	Divyanjali	2B - B

Class 3				
1.	Manan Sundriyal	3E - N	Aanya Jain	3E - G
2.	Shaurya Sharma	3B - B	Anshika Sharma	3E - N
3.	Edwin Biju	3A - G	Gauri	3A - B
	Shaurya Khanna	3C - G	Sanskriti Sinha	3A - G
4.			Priya	3A - T
			Kriti	3C - T

Class 7				
1.	Nirmal Noby	7B - T	Alice Singh	7B - G
2.	Aryan Khandelwal	7B - G	Angel Maria Ajai	7F - T
3.	Nakul P. Shine	7F - G	Sheilja Bansal	7E - T

25 mtr. Sack Race, Class 4				
S.No	Boys	Class	Girls	Class
1.	Omar Shakeel	4E – B	Dipika Bisht	4D – B
2.	Tarun Dev Tyagi	4F – T	Gauri Raizada	4E – G
3.	Abhinav Malhotra	4B – T	Devina Ayekpam	4C – B
			Angel Chand Makshi	4B – G

Class 5				
1.	Kaustav Kedia	5D – N		
2.	Harshit Bisht	5B – T		
3.	Supratik Chandra	5F – G		

Class 6				
1.	Srijan	6E – N		
2.	Asmit	6B – G		
3.	Bhaves	6A – N		
	Adhiraj Singh	6F – T		

Class 7				
1.	Rohan Dhaania	7E – B		
2.	Shaurya Kashyap	7A – N		
3.	Raghav Sarna	7F – N		

100 mtr. Race, Class 2				
1.	Ishant	2A – T	Lavanya Puri	2B – T
2.	Madhur Tyagi	2E – G	Anunita Hans	2B – N
3.	Raghav Chauhan	2D – N	Angelica Rawat	2A – B
			Ridhima Negi	2B – N

Class 3				
1.	Mohd. Imran	3A – G	Anam Khatoon	3B – N
2.	Arnav Arya	3D – B	Medha Bhati	3D – B
3.	Zaid Ahmed	3E – N	Disha	3A – T

Class 4				
1.	Aarav Bajaj	4F – T	Sophie Sarkar	4D – B
2.	Dhruv	4D – T	Aakriti Jha	4F – G
3.	Hussain Akbar	4E – N	Kanak Chouhan	4B – T
			Navya Arun	4A – T

Class 5				
1.	Ankit	5E – G	Manishka	5B – B
2.	Pranav Aggarwal	5F – G	Sakshi Passi	5D – G
3.	Lakshay Sharma	5A – T	Kanishka Kishor	5F – B

Class 6				
1.	Nilay Joji	6D – B	Suhani R. Sharma	6A – G
2.	Abhiveer Singh	6B – G	Diya Sajwan	6C – B
3.	Ayushmaan Gupta	6A – N	Riddhima Bhargava	6B – G
			Dharani Som	6A – T

Class 7				
1.	Varun Bhadauria	7F – T	Priya Agrasen	7B – N
2.	Anant Bhati	7C – N	Divya Singh	7C – T
3.	Shourya Katoch	7A – N	Srishti Kharola	7C – N

4×100 mts. Relay Race, Class 5				
S.No	Boys (Nehru)	Class	Girls (Bhabha)	Class
1.	Pratham Bharti Verma	5E	Angel Maria Jijo	5C
2.	Arham Shahzer	5C	Khyah	5A
3.	Anosh K. Shaju	5A	Bhumika Choudhary	5E
4.	Fernando Robin	5F	Shreya Kaushik	5D

S.No	Boys (Tagore)	Class	Girls (Tagore)	Class
1.	Hitesh Baswal	5F	Gul Parmar	5E
2.	Suhal Kumar Toppo	5C	Jyoti	5D
3.	Ayan	5B	Kirti Kalra	5B
4.	Veerain Priyadarshi	5E	Janvi Gupta	5A

S.No	Boys (Gandhi)	Class	Girls (Gandhi)	Class
1.	Arnav Jha	5D	Aashima	5A
2.	Rakshat Mehra	5C	Arpita Nayak	5F
3.	Atif Ahmed	5B	Shailja Chaudhary	5E
4.	Maharaj Singh Chugh	5A		

4×100 mts. Relay Race, Class 6				
S.No	Boys (Nehru)	Class	Girls (Nehru)	Class
1.	Sanskar Verma	6C	Mahi Bhati	6B
2.	Aaaron John	6E	Arshika Mahajan	6F
3.	Saad Bin Zulfiqar	6D	Nupur	6A
4.	Akshat Kumar	6F	Anjani	6E

S.No	Boys (Tagore)	Class	Girls (Tagore)	Class
1.	Arpit Singh Bharwaj	6E	Taran Jain	6B
2.	Yugansh Tomar	6A	Neera Khundrakpam	6E
3.	Vansh Goswami	6B	Garvita Sati	6F
4.	Harshit Aneja	6C	Samridhi Maheshwari	6D

S.No	Boys (Gandhi)	Class	Girls (Bhabha)	Class
1.	Mayank Rana	6A	Sarisha Mehta	6E
2.	Samman	6C	Meera Nagpal	6F
3.	Priyanshu kapoo	6F	Rajvika Arora	6D
4.	Krishna Solanki	6D	Alba Mariam Biju	6B

4×100 mts. Relay Race, Class 7				
S.No	Boys (Nehru)	Class	Girls (Nehru)	Class
1.	Allen K. Saji	7D	Mannat Bhatia	7F
2.	Ameen Mohammed	7B	Shefali Pal	7D
3.	Kevin Antony	7E	Sakshi Kanojia	7E
4.			Saumya Mishra	7A

S.No	Boys (Tagore)	Class	Girls (Tagore)	Class
1.	Vansh Mittal	7C	Harsimar Kaur	7D
2.	Andrews George	7D	Chitra	7B
3.	Navneet Khandurj	7B	Manvi Rana	7F
4.	Rayyan Idrees	7E	Lavi Yadav	7E

4x100 mts. Relay Race, Class 5				
S.No	Boys (Gandhi)	Class	Girls (Gandhi)	Class
1.	Vaibhav	7D	Kulsum Khan	7F
2.	Raj Sharma	7B	Gitanjali	7B
3.	Pranshu Dubey	7A	Prerna	7A
4.	Albin Abraham	7F	Ishita Rajoria	7A

Flag and Hoop Relay, Class 2		
Gandhi		
1.	Anshika Paul	2A
2.	Nandini Sharma	2D
3.	Evelyn Peter	2F
4.	Aanya	2F
5.	Yohan Khare	2C
6.	Vivek Shukla	2D
7.	Shreshtha Lingwal	2E
8.	Anmol Dhandhoriya	2F

Nehru		
1.	Ananya Kashyap	2A
2.	Aaradhyia Sharma	2A
3.	Pranshi Sharma	2B
4.	Ananya Kunnath	2F
5.	Mohd. Huzaifa Ansari	2B
6.	Mohd. Tanzeel	2D
7.	Amartya Kr. Rajan	2E
8.	Daksh Nehra	2F

Bhabha		
1.	Angelin Liz George	2C
2.	Michelle Emanuel	2D
3.	Riya Mariam Raj	2E
4.	Sanchi Gupta	2F
5.	Neelesh Sharm	2A
6.	Yagya Rajput	2B
7.	Vaibhav Tiwari	2D
8.	Arnav Rajor	2E

Class 4		
Gandhi		
1.	Tejeshwar Bhardwaj	4A
2.	Divyansh Sharma	4B
3.	Ayaan Sabeel	4D
4.	Kartik Negi	4E
5.	Niharika Chouhan	4A
6.	Manasvi Singh	4C
7.	Zuneda	4D
8.	Radhika Goyal	4F

Class 3		
Bhabha		
1.	Anjali	3B
2.	Priyanshi Panwar	3C
3.	Aldreena M. Bibu	3D
4.	Aylin Antony	3E
5.	Aaron Peter	3A
6.	Isaac Y. Nathan	3C
7.	Aakash Jha	3D
8.	Daksh Khara	3E

Tagore		
1.	Devika Chakarwari	3B
2.	Riddhima Vashisth	3D
3.	Anusha George	3E
4.	Remon Ayub	3F
5.	Jasraj Singh	3A
6.	Aaryan Shukla	3C
7.	Mohd. Aymaan	3D
8.	Vansh Aggarwal	3E

Gandhi		
1.	Jayantika Goel	3B
2.	Mansi Joshi	3C
3.	Samiya Rohatgi	3D
4.	Aanya Jain	3F
5.	Kenrich Thokchom	3B
6.	Arnav Yadav	3D
7.	Uzair Ahmed	3E
8.	Mohd. Noumaan Khan	3F

Class 4		
Bhabha		
1.	Kartik Rokhrival	4A
2.	Nauman Zafar	4B
3.	Steve Jacob	4C
4.	Akshay	4F
5.	Tabinda	4A
6.	Yana Singh	4B
7.	Taniya Gharti	4E
8.	Pranavi	4F

SPORTS DAY

PREP. SCHOOL

The much awaited Sports Day of St. Xavier's Prep School was held on 18th November, 2017. The chief guest of the day was Mr. Shyam Sundar Sharma, the former HOD (Maths) in senior school. The chief guest was welcomed with a bonsai plant and then he declared the Sports Meet open followed by the lighting of the torch. Next, a spectacular, impressive and a well synchronized March Past by the Class 1 students rendered the spectators speechless. The students entered into the spirit of occasion by taking the Oath.

Later, our tiny tots of Prep. welcomed everyone by a Welcome Presentation followed by Class 1 pyramid which set the tone for rest of the event. Our energizing class Prep. students did aerobics presenting perfect fitness and encouraging all of us to be fit.

Our class 1 students came up with a beautiful Saree drill. They displayed peacocks, tents and mats. It was a real pleasure to see how gracefully they did it. Once the race began, the air was filled with cheering and tons of encouragement for the young athletes. The day ended with our guest and fathers congratulating the winners with medals.

-Francenal Durai
-Kiran Mehta

Tagore					
1.	Gunmay Mehndiratta	4A	5.	Yana Karotiya	4A
2.	Pranay Bansal	4C	6.	Angel Aggarwal	4C
3.	Snehjeet Singh	4D	7.	Vaishnavi Choudhary	4E
4.	Mirza M. Arslan Beig	4E	8.	Srishti Malhotra	4F

Sr. School Sports Result

100 Mt. Girls, Class 8

Name	House	Position
Parnavi Singh (8B)	Bhabha	First
Gatha (8B)	Nehru	Second
Khyati Ambavat (8E)	Tagore	Third

100 Mt. Girls, Class 9

Name	House	Position
Karen Alby (9C)	Nehru	First
Anushka (9F)	Bhabha	Second
Monica (9D)	Bhabha	Third

100 Mt. Girls, Class 10

Name	House	Position
Shalini Kumari (10C)	Bhabha	First
Jisna Tresa Raju (10D)	Bhabha	Second
Avni Ranjan (10A)	Nehru	Third
Himani Jha (10B)	Tagore	Third

100 Mt. Girls, Class 11

Name	House	Position
Jyotsna Shurma (11E)	Tagore	First
Suman (11F)	Bhabha	Second
Uzma Khatoon (11F)	Gandhi	Third

200 Mt. Girls, Class 8

Name	House	Position
Parnavi Singh (8B)	Bhabha	First
Gatha (8B)	Nehru	Second
Khyati Ambavat (8E)	Tagore	Third



200 Mt. Girls, Class 9

Name	House	Position
Karen Alby (9C)	Nehru	First
Anushka (9F)	Bhabha	Second
Monica (9D)	Bhabha	Third

200 Mt. Girls, Class 10

Name	House	Position
Avni Ranjan (10A)	Nehru	First
Shalini Kumari (10C)	Bhabha	Second
Himani Jha (10B)	Tagore	Third

200 Mt. Girls, Class 11

Name	House	Position
Jyotsna Sharma (11E)	Tagore	First
Uzma Khatoon (11F)	Gandhi	Second
Suman (11F)	Gandhi	Third

4 X 100 Mt. Relay Girls, Class 8

Name	House	Position
Parnavi Singh (8B)	Bhabha	First
Anushka (8F)	Bhabha	First
Khushi (8D)	Bhabha	First
Ishika Kasera (8D)	Bhabha	First



THE ROBUST SPORTS ACHIEVERS OF THE JUNIOR SCHOOL

NAME	CLASS	GAME	EVENT	POSITION
Darsh Gupta	4A	Karate	International Shoto Cup Karate-Do Championship 2017	Second
			1st National Smfi Karate Championship 2017	First
			Dojo Karate Championship Organised By Smfi	Second
			North India Shotokan Karate Championship 2017	First
			Delhi Ncr Shotokan Karate Championship 2017	Third
			Interschool Shotokan Karate Championship 2017	Second
			Dojo Karate Championship Organised By Smfi	Third
Nikunj Gupta	4A	Chess	2nd BCF International Open Federated Chess Tournament(Category U-9)	First
Yugal Kishore	6A	Taekwondo	15th North India Championship 2017	First
			13th Independence Cup(Invitational Sports, Jeet Kune-Do Championship, Delhi-2017)	First
			1Sst Interschool Tong-Il-Moo-Do Championship-2017	First
			Open National Tong-Il-Moo-Do Championship 2017	Third
Ridhi Gupta	6F	Karate	Macao Federation Cup Karate Championship 2017	First
			Macao Federation Cup Karate Championship 2017 - Awarded - Best Girl Fighter Of The Year	
Badal Chaudhary	7F	Karate	4th Delhi Budo Karate Championship 2017	First
Madhav Mahajan	6E	Taekwondo		Participation
Mitanshu Choudary	5C	Athletics	Run For Delhi Junior-Run (2Km Race)	First
Divyanshi Chugh	5E	Skating	West Delhi Interschool Skating Competition	Second
Disha Bisht	6C	Taekwondo		First
				Second
Eklavya Rawat	5E	Taekwondo	2nd Open Martial Arts Championship	Third
Mohd. Saad	7D	Cricket	Adidas Open Cricket Tournament Under 14	First
Daksh Choudhary	4E	Karate	4th Budo Karate State Championship (Category 9-10Yrs)	Second

CBSE INTERSCHOOL SPORTS AND GAMES COMPETITION 2017-18 (HELD AT SONIPAT-HARYANA)

NAME	CLASS	CATEGORY	POSITIONS
Suhani Rachel Sharma	6A	50M Breast Stroke	Third
Suhana Arun Kumar	5C	4X50m Free Style Relay	Participation
Sarisha Mehta	6E	4X50m Medlay Relay	Participation
Kashvi Sharma	6D	4X50m Medlay Relay	Participation
Utsav	7C	50M Back Stroke	Participation

GLENMARK 34TH SUB-JUNIOR NATIONAL AQUATIC CHAMPIONSHIP 2017 (HELD AT PUNE, MAHARASHTRA)

NAME	CLASS	CATEGORY	POSITIONS
Suhani Rachel Sharma	6A	50M Breast	Participation
		4X50m Freestyle	Participation
		4X50m Medlay Relay	Participation
Sahana Arun Kumar	5C	50M Butterfly	Participation
		4X50m Medlay Relay	Participation
Utsav	7C	200 Individual Medlay	Participation
		50M Butter Fly	Participation

SCHOOL NATIONAL AQUATIC MEET 2017 (HELD AT NEW DELHI)

NAME	CLASS	CATEGORY	POSITIONS
Utsav	7C	50M Back Stroke	Participation
		100M Back Stroke	Participation
		200M Back Stroke	Participation

DELHI STATE AQUATIC MEET-2017

NAME	CLASS	CATEGORY	POSITIONS
Suhani R. Sharma	6A	50M Breast	First
		4X50m I. M. Relay	First
		4X50m Free Relay	Second
		50M Back Stroke	Third
		50M Butterfly	Third
		200M I. M.	Second
Sahana A. Kumar	5C	4X50 I. M. Relay	First
		4X50 Free Relay	Second
Bhavi Gupta	4D	4X50 I. M. Relay	First
		4X50 Free Relay	Second
Garishma Kataria	4D	4X50 Free Relay	Second
		4X50 I. M. Relay	First

TALENT SEARCH AQUATIC MEET-2017

NAME	CLASS	CATEGORY	POSITIONS
Harsh Badooni	7A	100M Butterfly	Third
		4X50m Free Relay	Third
Utkarsh Sarkar	7D	4X50m Free Relay	Third
Sahana A. Kumar	5C	4X50m Free Relay	Second
Garishma Kataria	4D	4X50m Free Relay	Second
Suhani R. Sharma	6A	4X50m Free Relay	Second

PADMA SHRI AVINDER SINGH BRAR MEMORIAL SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP-2017

NAME	CLASS	CATEGORY	POSITIONS
Suhani R. Sharma	6A	50M Breast	First
		200M Individual Medlay	First
		4X50m Free Style Relay	Second
Sahana Kumar	5C	50M Butterfly	First
Ayush Aggarwal	5A	4X50m Free Relay	Second



BABA GANGNATH AQUATIC CHAMPIONSHIP

Name	Class	Category	Position
Suhani R. Sharma	6A	50M Breast	First
		200M Individual Medlay	First
		50M Free	Second
Sahana A. Kumar	5C	50M Butteerfly	Second
Bhavi Gupta	4D	50M Free Style	Participation
Garishma Kataria	4D	50M Back Stroke	Participation
Harjas Malhotra	7B	50M Back Stroke	Participation
		100M Free Style	Participation

Name	Class	Category	Position
Aditya Kumar	5F	50M Breast Stroke	Participation
		50M Butterfly Stroke	Participation
		200M International Medlay	Participation
Ayush Aggarwal	5A	50M Free Style	Participation
		50M Back Stroke	Participation
		100M Free Style	Participation

Name	Class	Game	Level	Position
Shourya Katoch	7A	Badminton	Interzonals Badminton Championship 2017	Participation
Pratham Pathak	6C	Badminton	Interzonals Badminton Championship 2017	Participation
Lakshay Budhwar	6F	Badminton	Interzonals Badminton Championship 2017	Participation
Shourya Katoch	7A	Badminton	Zonals Badminton Championship 2017	First
Pratham Pathak	6C	Badminton	Zonals Badminton Championship 2017	First
Lakshay Budhwar	6F	Badminton	Zonals Badminton Championship 2017	First
Gurmant Singh	4E	Badminton	Zonals Badminton Championship 2017	First
Kushagra Adlakha	6E	Badminton	Zonals Badminton Championship 2017	First
Anmol Aggarwal	6E	Table Tennis	Zonals Table Tennis Championship-2017	Participation
Shubham Dubey	7A	Basketball	Zonals Basketball Championship-2017	First
Anant Bhati	7C	Basketball	Zonals Basketball Championship-2017	First
Ayush Nehra	7B	Basketball	Zonals Basketball Championship-2017	First
Aashi Sachan	7A	Basketball	Zonals Basketball Championship-2017	Second
Tushti Malhotra	7C	Basketball	Zonals Basketball Championship-2017	Second
Kanika	7C	Basketball	Zonals Basketball Championship-2017	Second
Krtika Khandelwal	7C	Basketball	Zonals Basketball Championship-2017	Second
Shrishti Kharola	7C	Basketball	Zonals Basketball Championship-2017	Second
Suhaani Sharma	6A	Basketball	Zonals Basketball Championship-2017	Second
P. Asmita	6B	Basketball	Zonals Basketball Championship-2017	Second
Sheetal	5A	Basketball	Zonals Basketball Championship-2017	Second
Mahak Rastogi	5A	Basketball	Zonals Basketball Championship-2017	Second
Himadri	5C	Basketball	Zonals Basketball Championship-2017	Second
Nitika	5C	Basketball	Zonals Basketball Championship-2017	Second
Hanu Rana	7C	Football	Zonals Football Championship 17	Second
Raghav Sarna	7F	Football	Zonals Football Championship 17	Second
Aditya Vardhan	7F	Football	Zonals Football Championship 17	Second
Aryan Malhotra	7C	Football	Zonals Football Championship 17	Second
Sachin Yadav	7E	Football	Zonals Football Championship 17	Second
Aryan Choudhary	7D	Football	Zonals Football Championship 17	Second
Dhruv Bhutani	7D	Football	Zonals Football Championship 17	Second
Aditya Lohia	7D	Football	Zonals Football Championship 17	Second
Kartikay Bhatt	7D	Football	Zonals Football Championship 17	Second
Seon Hansraj	7D	Football	Zonals Football Championship 17	Second
Aditya Bhatia	7B	Cricket	Zonals Cricket Championship 17	Participation
Saamil Aggarwal	7D	Cricket	Zonals Cricket Championship 17	Participation
Vansh Aggarwal	3E	Skating	Cbse Skating Championship 2017	Participation

YMCA AQUATIC MEET 2017

Name	Class	Category	Position
Lavesh Kapoor	2D	25M Back Stroke	Third
Sahana A. Kumar	5C	50M Butterfly	Third
		4X50m Free Relay	First
		4X50m I.m.	Second
Suhani R. Sharma	6A	50M Breast	Second
		50M Freestyle	Third
		4X50m Free Relay	First
		4X50m I.m.	Second
		50M Back	Third
Sarisha Mehta	6F	4X50m Free Relay	First
		4X50m I.m.	Second
Garishma Kataria	4D	25M Free Style	Second
		50M Butterfly	First
Bhavi Gupta	4D	50M Breast	Second

Name	Class	Category	Position
Harsh Bandooni	7F	100M Butterfly	Second
		4X50m Free Relay	Second
		4X50m I.m. Relay	Second
Utkarsh Sarkar	7D	4X50m Free Relay	Second
		4X50m I.m. Relay	Second
Harjas Malhotra	7B	100M Back Stroke	Third
		4X50m I.m. Relay	Second
Utsav	7C	50M Butterfly	Second
		100M Back	Third
		50M Back	Second
		4X50m Free Relay	Second
		4X50m I.m. Relay	Second

Swimming Zonals Championship Organised By Directorate Of Education

Name	Class	Category	Position
Hansraj Malhotra	7B	50M Back	First
		100M Back	First
		200M Breast	Second
Hanu Rana	7C	100M Back	Third
Utkarsh Sarkar	7D	200M Free	Second
		100M Breast	First
		200M Breast	First
Harsh Badooni	7F	50M Butterfly	First
		50M Free	First
		100M Free	Second
		100M Individual Medlay	Second
Anoushka Das	7C	50M Free	Third
Suhani R. Sharma	6A	50M Breast	First
		100M Breast	First
		200M Breast	First
		200M Individual Mrdlay	Second
		4X25 Free	First
Akshat Kumar	6F	50M Butterfly	Second
		50M Breast	First
Utsav	7C	200M I.m.	Second
		50M Butterfly	First

Name	Class	Category	Position
		100M Back	First
		50M Back	First
Sarisha Mehta	6E	100M Back	Third
		4X25m Freestyle	First
Sahana A. Kumar	5C	25M Freestyle	First
		25M Breast	First
		25M Butterfly	First
		100M I.m.	First
Kavish Sethi	5C	25M Back	Second
Kaustav Kedia	5D	25M Breast	Second
		25M Butterfly	Second
Pragya Vashishth	5F	25M Freestyle	Third
		25M Butterfly	Third
Nitya Saloni	5F	25M Freestyle	First
Aditya Kumar	5F	25M Breast	Third
Ayush Aggarwal	5A	25M Freestyle	Second
		25M Back	Third
Garishma Kataria	4D	25M Butterfly	Second
		4X25m I.m.	Second
		25M Freestyle	Second
		25M Back	First
Bhavi Gupta	4D	25M Back	Second
		25M Breast	Second

CHRISTMAS PROGRAMME, 2017

Festivals are an important part of our lives. Festivals mark the spirit of joy and celebration. They help in bringing happiness and strength by spreading the message of love and universal brotherhood. Each festival involves worship of God, visiting holy places, wearing new clothes, preparation and distribution of delicious sweets, meeting family friends, loved ones, neighbours, exchanging gifts, cleaning and decoration of houses, music, dance and sumptuous feasts etc.

The school celebrated the birth of Jesus Christ, our saviour on 22nd December, 2017. The program started with a beautiful play on how the Lord of Lords was born in a simple manger among cattle highlighting the qualities of simplicity, innocence, wonder and of pure selfless love. Father Principal gave an inspirational speech encouraging the students to keep up the real spirit of Christmas alive. The program also witnessed Carol Competition for class 8th. The show stopper of the celebration was a rare musical treat by the Xavier Band consisting of a beautiful blend of percussion and wind instruments by a group consisting of several children, Fr. Abraham S.J., Mr. Miranda, and Mr. Subin. The celebration ended with the arrival of Santa Claus wishing Merry Christmas to all.





A Funfilled Visit to Saattal



Jubilarians of 2017



Mr. Sunny Thomas

Mr. Sunny Thomas joined the Accounts Department of St. Xavier's School on 1st May 1992. He took over as the Chief Accountant after the retirement of Mr. P. M. Thomas. For the last 25 years he has been serving the school with utmost sincerity and dedication. With his calm and composed demeanour, he handles every responsibility entrusted to him with perfection. Mr. Sunny's meticulous work and proficiency in accounts is revealed in the dexterous handling of the school finances.



Mr. Dinesh Singh

Mr. Dinesh Singh joined Xavier's in January 1992 as a Swimming Coach and Physical Education teacher. Currently he is the Swimming Coach for all three departments. He has trained students in Swimming for Zonals, Delhi State, Nationals as well as International Levels. He is outstanding at organizing events, and has also trained DOXA members and organized swimming meets for them. Apart from swimming, Mr. Dinesh has also trained our girls in playing Kho-Kho. These girls subsequently went on to win several championships, bringing laurels to the school. His superlative skills are evident when one watches the tiny tots of the Prep. and the Junior School performing drills and march past to perfection.



Mrs. Alice Babu

Mrs. Alice Babu joined the Xavier family on 1st January 1992. For 25 years she has been imparting knowledge in Mathematics and Science in the Junior School. Ma'am is an extremely diligent and hardworking teacher and is a highly conscientious personality. Her sincerity and dedication along with her approachable persona, led to her appointment as the House Moderator several times. Her knowledge and expertise in the subject is evident as she currently holds the position of Subject Coordinator. Ma'am is the epitome of tolerance and she speaks the language of love. Her warm motherly ways and understanding heart makes her so endearing to her students and the staff alike.



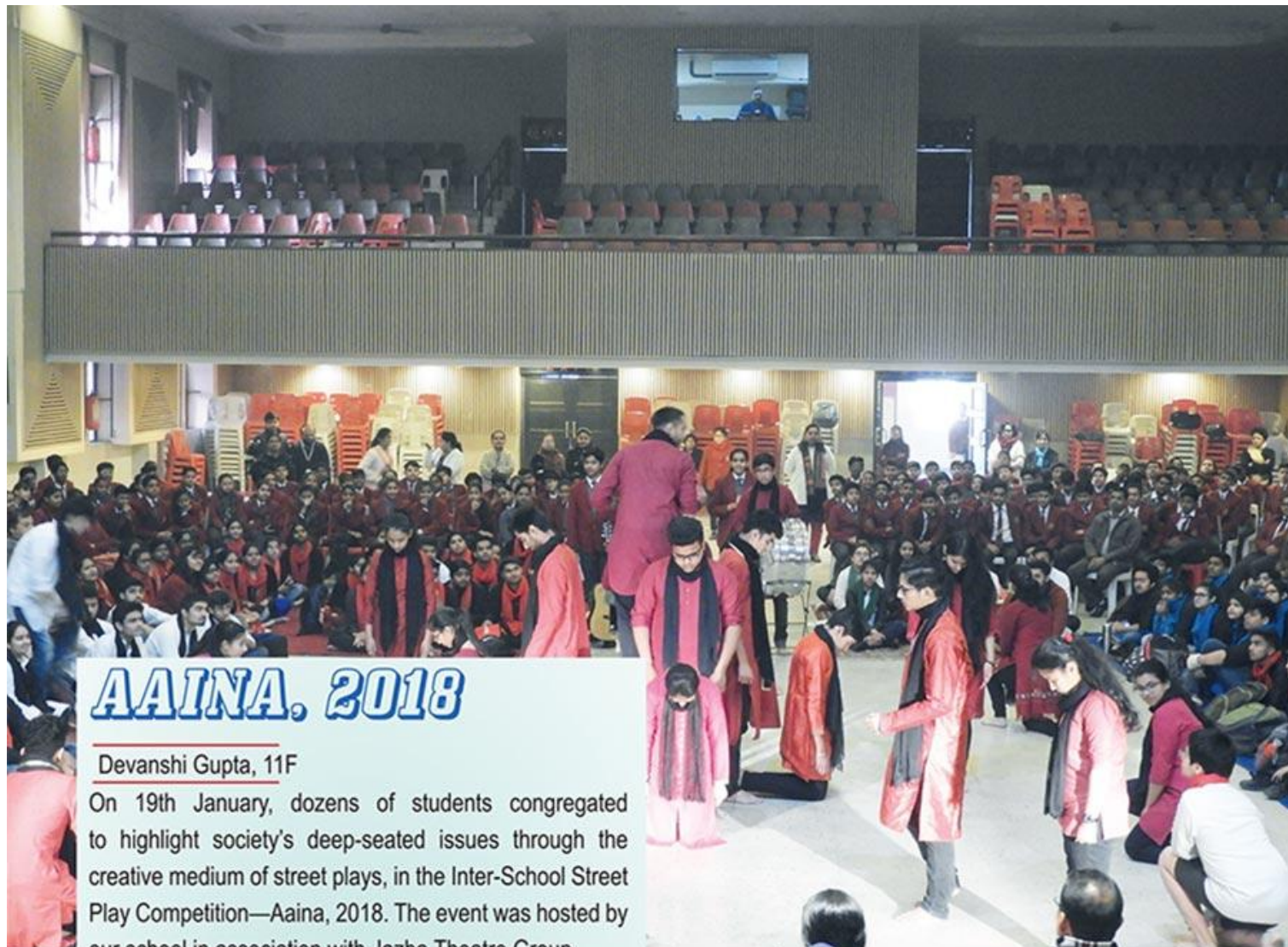
FAREWELL TO CLASS 12 (2017-18)

Another Academic Year comes to an end. Its time once again to celebrate this incredible journey of school life. St. Xavier's, Raj Niwas Marg bade farewell to its 2017-18 batch on January 27th, 2018. The programme started with the procession, led by the Head Boy James Babu and the Head Girl Jharna Kamdar followed by the House captains. They were accompanied by the Principal Fr. M. Arockiam S.J., Vice Principal Mr. K.J. Devasia, Rector Fr. Jose Philip S.J., Headmaster Fr. Anil Kispotta S.J., Coordinator of Academics Mr. A. K. Das, Assistant Director of Prep. School and Assistant Headmistress of Junior School Mrs. Mona Rae.

A group song was sung by the choir group of class 12th. The Head Girl and Head Boy addressed the gathering, thanking the school, the teachers, their friends and above all their parents for moulding them into good human beings. This was followed by a group song by teachers and a street play by the participants of 'The Aaina 2018.' Kushagra Rawat was given a special award by the school for his outstanding achievement in swimming. The programme ended with the distribution of Sports Colors, Music, and Merit certificates, and finally presentation of citations by the class teachers to their respective class students. XT wishes all the best to the outgoing batch of class 12.

- Huzaifa Kamal 11 A





AAINA. 2018

Devanshi Gupta, 11F

On 19th January, dozens of students congregated to highlight society's deep-seated issues through the creative medium of street plays, in the Inter-School Street Play Competition—Aaina, 2018. The event was hosted by our school in association with Jazba Theatre Group.

The event blasted off with a powerful performance of our school's students in a play titled 'Khilauna'. The play depicted the issue of parental pressure currently rampant in our society, because of which youngsters are losing their individuality.

Various schools participated in this event—Bal Bharati, DPS, Laxman Public School, Gyan Mandir, Rosary, Presentation Convent, and Holy Child. The issues they highlighted ranged from sexual abuse and cleanliness to shied-away topics like drug abuse. Each performance was evocative and mesmerising. The audience laughed, cried, or sometimes sat in terse silence, pondering upon the harsh realities of life.

The biggest achievement of the performers was not bagging any awards; it was planting the seed of change in each viewer's hearts, a plant that will grow into a tree with far-reaching branches.





Kushagrah Rawat : A Gem of Xavier's

'Your aim must be high. Make your efforts accordingly, you will get your goal nearby.' In my early childhood I had a dream to be a swimmer. After that I wanted to become a champion. To start with, I was selected to represent India in Thailand National Aquatic Championship 2017-18. I won one Gold in 400 mtrs freestyle and one silver medal in 200 mtrs Freestyle there. After knowing my achievement, our most respected principal Fr. Dominic blessed me with the advice 'Be the Best of the world'. I promised so and started my swimming training more sincerely. But time is a very bold factor. I got my right ankle fractured and was advised for two months bed rest. But after two months, I again started my training. In the first week of July, I won the Junior National Bronze medals. I felt disheartened about my performance. I was suggested for SWOT analysis to get the best result. SWOT means Strength, Weakness, Opportunity and Threats. I worked on the given suggestions seriously and got the result. I was selected to represent India in the Asian-Age Group Aquatic Championship 2017, held at Tashkent, Uzbekistan, and won 1 Silver and 3 Bronze medals in 4 x 200, 200 FS, 400 x 100 respectively. I was not fully satisfied with my performance. I started working very hard. As a result, I made three New National records in National School Games held in New Delhi. My major achievement during the year 2017-18 are given as under:

International

- | | | | |
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| 1. Thailand National Aquatic Championship | - | 1 Gold, | 1 Silver |
| 2. Asian-Age Aquatic Championship, Tashkent | - | 1 Silver, | 3 Bronze |

National

- | | | | | |
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| 1. Jr. National Aquatic Championship, Pune | - | 1 Gold, | 1 Silver, | 2 Bronze |
| 2. Sr. National Aquatic Championship, Bhopal | - | 1 Bronze | | |
| 3. National School Games, New Delhi | - | 3 Gold (NMR), 1 Bronze | | |

CREATIVE CORNER

DAY DREAMING,

*Sitting in the backseat of my class I think,
In my own world and thoughts I sink.
Thinking about my friends and foe,
Sometimes about the parents I adore.
My mind traces the last night's shows,
Full of laughter and full of flaws.*

*Thoughts and concerns for future race my mind,
About the ambitions that I should find.
My mind and soul aches to explore more,
Till I reach my depths and explore my cores.
Wish I could sit like this forever,
But I know it would happen never.
Something hit my head and I rose
To find ma'am beside my chair.*

Mili Thomas, 10F

LIFE IN THE FUTURE

*Is this the future we desire?
Running faster than time,
Selfishness becoming prime.
Is this the future we desire?
Money will be the only thing, people aspire.*

*Working robots and flying cars,
Cunning mind and no role of hearts.
Is this the future we desire?
Hatred will be the only thing, that hearts' acquire.
Big metropolises, schools, and colleges,
Development will be at its threshold.
But emotions will be sold.
Is this the future we desire?
Lacking humanity and robots' empire.*

Sadaf Ansari, 10B

DAY DREAMING

*Beside the window pane,
Staring into the deep, the blue-grey sky,
I sit here wishing I could fly.
They say, 'You're a bird, you can fly,
fly up high, if you try.'
Ironical, how they hold me back,
Leave me thinking I were insane
To dream of flying.
Leave me thinking, if I had no brain.
Beside the brimming brook,
Into the depth of the water, I look.*



*I dream of having an ocean of mine.
'Dream', they say, 'you're free to dream, as bright as
The sun beam.'
Ironical, how they hold me back, shut me down,
Leave me thinking, there is no place, no city, no town.
To think like this, it makes me a clown.*

Sania Javed, 10A (3rd Position)

Magical Dream

I shattered, shattered and shattered.
My heart stopped. My blood stopped,
Which only ran for you.
When I saw the flowers scattered over you,
Oh come back my super hero, I miss you!

I remember the days when I held your strong hands,
And helped myself to walk.
I remember the days when you felt proud.
And now I made you feel proud.
And now I'm lagging behind the person with,
Whom I used to talk.
Oh come back my super hero, I miss you!

Said the girl in the green scarf crying on the floor;
With her dad's portrait close to her heart; near the door.
She wept and slept keeping the portrait close to her.
She closed her eyes and had a dream which she
Wanted to live forever.

She made her steps to heaven.
She flew up to the sky to see his smile,
Trying to find her hero who got exiled.

She flew and saw him in the yellow woods.
Ran to him and he kissed her.
She told, she won't live if he wouldn't accompany her.
You have to, my li'l princess to fulfill your goals.

He vanished in seconds.
Where did he go, she didn't know.
She screamed up so loud in that misty crowd.
'Oh my super hero where are you?'

Running towards her, came her mom
'A scary dream? Or a magical one?'
Scary one has already gone
I had the magical one!

**Ann Maria Sunny, 9F
and Kritika, 10C**

Someone's Heart

A red thread,
Joined by the tangents of fate,
Swarms the life in a single row,
Enchanting and ever so beautiful.

This dark void,
Ever so empty,
Engulfed in the sweet nothingness,
Defines the lonely strings of time.

It's there,
In each and every heart,
Just dark and empty,
Nothing more.

Is there even a cure?
Is there anything in the world?
That fills this heartache,
Maybe love...maybe.

Isn't it ironic?
So vexing,
So abrupt,
Yet still ever so beautiful?

Harshit Juneja, 12D

AN IMAGINARY FRIEND

*My imaginary friend,
Would set a trend.*

*She would have eyes,
Like white pearls,
And brown hair,
With slight curls.*

*She smiles at me,
Whenever I see,
And comes to me,
If she is free.*

*She keeps my secrets,
And expects the same.
My memory isn't complete,
Till she's not in the frame.*

Nikita Bansal, 8A (3rd Position)



Feeling Lonely

I remember how we met,
Under the Gulmohar tree,
You held my hand we saw,
Those birds flying free.
I know that day I came late and you,
Were there still waiting for me.
It was raining that day with you,
As happy as I was supposed to be.
Never I knew how it could be,
That the beautiful rain,
Was just a memory.
And today I am here again,
It is the same beautiful day,
That same old tree,
The cold wind blowing,
And the birds flying free.
I wonder do you remember,
The tree, the birds, the wind and me?
As I think of you, you are nowhere,
I am feeling lonely.

Vaidehi Kamal, 12B (3rd Position)

Travelling to an Unknown Place

Every night I travel to the unknown,
With my eyes closed the journey begins,
On its own.
No maps are required to find the way.
My imagination is the tour guide, by the way.
In this land nothing is impossible,
One moment I rule the next I lose.
I travel for miles but my legs don't move,
I shout in joy but my mouth doesn't move.
Each night I visit a new place,
And meet new people who always vanish in the day.
Sometimes my deepest fears come alive,
They chase me and haunt me,
And make my heartbeat go wild.
Fear grips me so hard that I open,
My eyes and wake up with a start.
I look around and I realise my dream has passed.

Muskan Kapoor, 12A

Travelling to an Unknown Place

Here the trees are made of chocolate,
Fountains and seas are full of lay's.
Here we can see some different science traits,
I am travelling to an unknown place.
The people living here,
Have brains too.
But no attitude or anger,
And are not full of ego.
The children here know,
How to respect their parents.
They know how to co-relate,
The new and old trends.
The students here,
Have respect for their teachers.
They know their importance,
And know that they are God's creatures.
After seeing an unknown place,
I don't want to go back,

To a world full of ego,
And respect it lacks.
This world of mine should be changed,
By setting the caged bird free,
Because we have to change ourselves,
For a change we want to see.

Yoganshi Devgan, 12B



Feeling Lonely

An expression known to all yet to nobody,
Because it isn't just of a single kind.
You can feel it in everybody's absence,
As well as in their presence,
Not about the physical presence but the mental support.
I can feel it at times,
When my buddy isn't there wriggling his tail and coming towards me,
Nor is my brother there to share my views with,
When in the other room are my parents sound asleep.
And somewhere inside my heart there is something that wants nothing else but to weep,
The moments I wish I was surrounded by people.
But that won't really matter.
Because all I need at the moment is just somebody behind me, a motherly advice, a fatherly protection.
But once you get to know how it feels really,
You either get used to or you want to fly,
Away from the anonymous phase,
Towards a world of real people,
Making no promises but doing the right thing.
But I tell you,
This feeling is no stranger to me.
Believe A or not you've felt it too,
In the shades of life in this big in world.
Waiting for the bliss to come your way.

Tanvi Gupta, 12E



Feeling Lonely

Silence surrounds when no one's around,
Making me feel sick,
Because I desperately want to hang out.
What time has brought to me is nothing but loneliness,
I can't handle it anymore,
Everything is just a mess.
But then I heard a throbbing sound,
It was my heart that was freaking out,
Trying to tell me something which I had never heard before.
Oh ! I pity you my baby for having flatterers around you,
If you had any true friends they would have stayed out of the blues.
I cried and was broken,
Thankfully I had my family's support
With which I can overcome any heartbreak,
Time teaches us everything and this time, it was that it is good to be alone.

Umang, 12C



DAY DREAMING

*Wasn't night enough for the eyes to reflect all the pain?
Now that heart's craving and imaginations drove her completely insane.*

*As she sits amidst a thousand cheers around,
She could hear nobody, just a thought of 'him' leaves her spellbound.
At noon as she walks down, abruptly stops at the busy street,
Her vision captures him right in front of her, she realises,
'Forgetting him' is no easy feat.
She nestles her heart away for a while,
Lest the tears let her know, the prolonged distance of a single rule,
Taking her eyes near to the wall that has listened to her pain,
The mouths that've passed were all in vain.
She felt his presence near her, she could feel his heart screaming.
A minute of despair that caught her so long,
'Ah! she consoled, wept, and said, 'just day dreaming.'*

Tejal, 10E



A MAGIC SPELL

*This is the world of magic spell,
Where water alone runs off well.
There is no heaven and there is no hell,
This is the world of magic spell.*

*The humans fly in the air,
The dogs swim in water,
Birds have chit-chat and thoughts to share,
But you are not allowed to go there, 'beware'.*

*The spells are used for good and bad,
With them, some are happy and some are sad.
But this is only imaginary, says my dad,
But I believe, there is a magic spell we had.*

*We can use it for good cause or bad,
We can use it for our studies or just for fun,
We always had.*

*So decide, which spell you'll choose,
To save others' life or being a dude.*

*Believe it or not but there is a magic world!
But always to be happy, not to hurt!*

Gunnvardhan, 8C (1st Position)

LIFE IN THE FUTURE

*Everyone has some thoughts,
About their life in the future.
Will they be able to achieve success?
Will they be able to nurture?*

*Some think about achieving money,
While some just want their presence of family.
Some think about their aim in life,
While some just want a better future for their child.*

*Many may think about themselves and their family,
While only few think about our world,
Where one wants to live in harmony,
Where there is no war, no explosions, only love.*

*So many thoughts about their life in the future.
Will we be rich? Will we be poor?
Or will our dear ones be there?*

*I want a peaceful and happy life in the future,
Where there is love, harmony,
and brotherhood for each other,
A life where everyone is satisfied with their need,
But not for their evil greed.*

Rinya, 10F

DAY DREAMING

Bang! Explosions, rugged terrain. Oh! I am an army man.
War continued for ages, and now the last battle after many phases.
Ten thousand warriors was their plan, ten to be killed by every man!
We were exhausted, uninspired; Can we fight when mentally tired?

We will lose the general view; How can we fight when we are few?
Then came our inspirer; Optimistic, never tired.
Said the major referring to we, 'Be brave and set us free'.
Quantity and quality are different things.
Sparrow and eagle both have two wings.

Eagle flies to height, sparrow can't see proper light.'

Ah! This is what we needed; Negative thoughts were weeded.
We went to the battlefield; and unbelievable was the yield,
Each of us killed opponents hundred and ten, and that is the time when,
My mother woke me scolding, 'It's 4 in the evening.
Oh no; you're again daydreaming!'



Advitiya Bhardwaj, 10B (2nd Position)

I AM AN ADULT NO MORE A PRE-TEEN

When kids reach the age of thirteen or fourteen,
They start complaining, I am no more a pre-teen.
Hanging around with friends and creating a mess,
Pulling each other's legs, googling on the internet; Oh yes!
Having fun and enjoying their life,
Not caring about anything, high on energy.
This is their motto; Life is short, enjoy your lives
Feel the new life and feel alive!!
Mothers are always after us, pampering us,
Trying to make us a lady of respect.
We are adults now, please understand our aspects.
When we stand on our toes trying to see where life goes,
We see a dead end,
Can't have enough of the carefree lives.
We lead, but still have some dreams to fulfil,
To make a life of our own, to stand on our feet.
To make a mark on history but still,
We are teens, having our fill but not to forget,
We still have some dreams to fulfil,
Some dreams to fulfil !.

Junaki Dutta, 9D (3rd Position)

DAY DREAMING

She hallucinates about a day dream...
It was a time; when she used to happily day dream
But soon her dreams were turning into screams.
Her poems used to have happy springs,
And stories of queens with diamond rings.



But now her stories have a beggar.
To her, now the harsh winters seem better,
Her dreams had paradise,
And poems with metaphorical lines.

She day dreamed about the shining sun which could never set,
But once her sun was swallowed by the ocean,
and now it is stuck on the ocean bed.

Just like her dreams were drowned into sadness,
And now her every dream is a mess.

Now she only hallucinates about the time,
When her day dreams were full of happy poetic lines...
But now her dark nightmare seems to shine...

Himani Jha, 10B



HAVING A SUPERPOWER

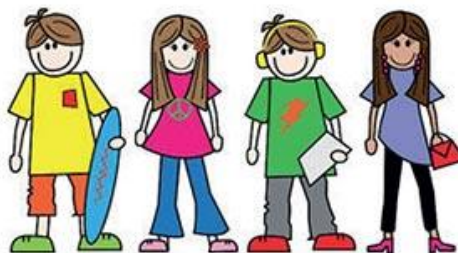
If I had super powers,
I would be on the top of the towers.
I would be flying, flying high,
Like an Eagle in the sky.
I would be saving humankind,
From the people with evil minds.
Always in tension,
To defeat the evil, I mention.
For people I would be a star,
Who could see the enemies from far.
I would wipe away all the evil Creations,
And try to unite all the Nations.
I know it will hardly come true,
But, I wish it could come in my dream at least.

Aban Biju, 9B (1st Position)

ON BEING A TEENAGER

Off from responsibility, off from duty,
Climbing o'er desks and being naughty,
Is our real beauty.
Studying hard but not to be a nerd,
Writing names on desk which sound around,
When time is hot, we used to eat the curd.
For the chocolates, we used to be very eager,
On being a teenager.
Book in hand and hand on book,
Open bags hanging on hook,
But my dream was to become a cook.
My mother said that it was not easy,
And I came to know seeing her very busy,
I left the desire because I was lazy,
On being a teenager my hair was very frizzy.

Navya Pant, 9A (2nd Position)



A NEW LIFE OF TEENS

God held my hand,
And introduced me to the difficulties and changes,
In life through a strange plan.
I couldn't manifest myself and considered
My own body a mess,
But I soon realized that I was the one whom
Jehowah has blessed.
My brain was developed and seemed mature,
But deep down I remained the little girl
Who loved starwars.
It was a strange feeling in the start,
Which was slowly dwelling from in my heart.
I thought too much and saw day dreams,
That reflected my arrival in a world of 'teens',
Being a teenager never meant a life of problems.
For me being a teen is to fight battles and difficulties
Whenever they come.

Lakshita Chandra Dubey, 9B

FORGIVENESS BY AN IMAGINARY FRIEND

I broke a box of a friend of mine,
It was brand new and pink with a silver shine.
She gave it to me to gaze at it,
A splendid work that a factory did.
I broke it's flap,
And got some scratch,
My friend got red and hot with anger,
I dropped my head to save my honour,
She didn't forgive me for the rest of her life,
She thought to hit me with a sharpest knife,
I know that I'll be forgiven one day,
By the one who is an imaginary friend,
I'm telling you friends, it's a trend,
To keep a forgiving an imaginary friend.

Amritha Raj, 8C

ON BEING A TEENAGER

Teenage was the best part of my life,
But also was the worst part of my life.
What ever it may be,
I will never forget that part of my life.
It all started when I was thirteen,
I saw new face of my life.
It led me to many temptations,
But I tried my best not to fall in it.
In this set of age, I made new friends,
In this set of age, I made new decisions.
This set of age has changed my life,
This set of age decided my future.
It gave me many memorable moments,
And now I am sure that
This was the best part of my life.

Riju L. Jose, 9D



As being teen in age,
Most of us become full of rage.
Our life seems so different, as if it is kept in a cage,
As being a teen in age.
When rockets of imagination fly high,
We feel emotions of joy, sorrow and sigh.
As being a teen in age,
Our life opens up a new page.
Our judgment seems to be so right,
We often pickup many fights.
But teenage, has some essence of life,
Which we will not have when we'll have
our family and wife.
As being a teen in age,
We must be full of wisdom instead of rage.

Aviral Singh, 9F



On being a teenager my mood changes by,
It seems that I am travelling on a path nearby,
A path that leads to adulthood,
A path that leads to responsibilities,
A path that leads is to number of obstacles or
Opportunities coming nearby.
I have heard that time flies,
I have seen my childhood moments passing by,
I wish if I could enjoy them again,
So that I can learn more things again.
I have seen many changes in me,
My thoughts, my attitude were not the same before,
The time has passed, they have changed,
But I am afraid 'Would I get the real me back ?'
I pray to God to help me in taking decisions of my life,
Because I am a flower of his, for whom many have strife.

Kirti Ahuja, 9E

AN IMAGINARY FRIEND

An imaginary friend,
The whole world's happiness to me who would lend,
With a friendship and love that would never end,
Would be my "imaginary friend".

Letters with love from far away he would send,
To let me straight, who would bend,
For the sake of me, my ways he would mend,
Would become my, "imaginary friend".

For the truth who would offend,
And during my struggles, would defend,
Will be known as, "an imaginary friend".

Like my parents, who would tend
Affection and Good luck who would bring,
For whom, I am ready to be in hell,
Is my, "imaginary friend".

Aashma Bansal, 8A (2nd Position)

LIFE IN THE FUTURE

*From the mere today,
I'm treading all alone, on a stairway,
Made up of air, translucent and beautiful.
In the far end I can see, a door, of light,
Blazing in the night, dimming the stars,
Not sure what I see beyond,
But it surely was glimpses from my future.
I raced up the stairs, to see what lay
Beyond and so, can be amazed
Before it's too late, but uh-Oh it is!
The stairway disintegrated and I fell free, blackout,
The door to mist, the light to dark.*

*And I lay here on the ground 'today'.
Yes, I have to work out my life, on my own,
In the mere future from the mere today.
No pothole to sneak a peek from, about what lay ahead.*

Aleena Biju, 10A (1st Position)

AN IMAGINARY FRIEND

*I was sitting all alone,
Wondering how fast time had gone.
The sea breeze was blowing against my face,
As I sat thinking those friends, I really miss.*

*In all the years of solitude,
I still had a friend whom I could talk to,
To pour my heart out and still be calm,
And have the feeling of sitting arm in arm.*

*This friend of mine is nature herself,
With whom I feel really blessed.
She can't talk to me and yet she is there,
To soothe me when I'm scared.*

*They say, she is just an imaginary friend,
But to me, she is as real as you can guess.*

Kenesha Sarah Thomas, 8D

A Passionate Defence of History

As a History student, I often find myself confronted by this question—Why is studying history important? I'm sure we have all encountered this query in our lives at some point or the other, be it while studying a particularly exhausting History chapter or while ruminating idly. What I see recurring around me is people frowning upon the subject and its study.

*'Oh, it's the subject for those who don't have the
brains for science.'
'It's a waste of time.'
'It's boring.'*

Often, they won't even say it, but their disdain is implicit in the smirk of superiority that alights their lips when you tell them you're an Arts Student. Even if their derision does not manifest itself in a tangible form, it's there, buried inside their hearts, the feeling that the study of such a subject is somehow inferior to technical studies, and particularly notorious is History.

What I think is that people who hold such views need to first understand the purpose of education. Education is the catalyst to transcend the horizons of our capabilities, to understand how best to contribute to society, to cultivate the talents we have, to break through inhibitions, to become better human beings. History is not different in this regard. Our past is intricately connected to our present and future. History shapes our perspective, develops our intellect, challenges our intelligence. It is a mirror that shows us the worst level human beings can stoop down to and the best achievements they can accomplish and have accomplished since millennia. It magnifies the imperfections of humans as a creation and how unique, fascinating and different beliefs and cultures are. In a country where religious intolerance and communal riots are frequent problems, the study of the evolution of society becomes all the more relevant. But, at some level, I understand why History and even the Arts stream are frowned upon. It's because these subjects are infamous for rote-learning, the leech that is sucking all beauty out of education. But perhaps, instead of blaming these subjects, we need to blame the whole educational system, the system that values marks over understanding, the system that suppresses individuality and creativity, the system that has made education tedious and mechanical. As an experiment, ask some unsuspecting student, 'Which is your favourite subject?' When they reply, ask them why. Many will say, 'That's the one I get the most marks in.' By making learning a quest for marks, we are losing the meaning education has to offer. And what is life without meaning?

Devanshi Gupta, 11-F

उफ़! ये पढ़ाई

माँ देती है जीवन, पिता सुरक्षा करते हैं लेकिन सच्ची मानवता गुरु ही जीवन में भरते हैं। विद्या दान देकर अध्यापक जीवन में सुख भरते हैं, लेकिन आज की विद्या बहुत ज़्यादा विद्यार्थी जीवन पर हावी हो गई है। प्रत्येक छात्र आज विद्या से भागता है। उसे न तो खेलने का समय मिलता है और न ही वो अपने विचारों को परिवार के साथ बैठकर बाँट सकता है क्योंकि उसके पास पढ़ाई के कारण समय ही नहीं है।

हर विद्यार्थी विद्या को आज एक बोझ समझने लगा है और वह इसे मन से नहीं करता बल्कि दबाव में आकर करता है। जब परीक्षा आती है तब उनका दिल कहता है कि अभी यहाँ से भागो, लेकिन उन पर बहुत दबाव है और वह उसी दबाव में परीक्षा देते हैं। अच्छे अंक लाकर अपने माँ-बाप और अध्यापक को खुश करते हैं। पर आज की आपा-धापी में आगे बढ़ने की होड़ में उनके मूल्य कहीं पीछे छूट गए हैं। उनके बस्तों का भार उनके भार से भी ज़्यादा होता है तभी तो वह इसको सम्मान नहीं, बोझ मानता है। लेकिन फिर भी पढ़ाई बोझ होते हुए भी बहुत अनमोल रत्न-धन है। इस बात की गंभीरता हमें समझनी चाहिए।



प्रियंका जैन, दसवीं अ

कोशिश करने वालों की कभी हार नहीं होती

एक कहावत है कि 'कोशिश करने वालों की कभी हार नहीं होती' और यह बिल्कुल सही भी है क्योंकि अगर आप कोशिश करते हैं तो एक न एक दिन वह समय आएगा जब आप सफल ज़रूर होंगे। स्वामी विवेकानन्द ने भी कहा है कि 'अगर आप सफल नहीं हुए तो आप दूसरों को मार्ग दिखा सकते हैं अगर आप सफल हुए तो आप दूसरों को लीड कर सकते हैं। इतिहास भी इसका उदाहरण देता है। भारतीय स्वतंत्रता संग्राम के 1857 के युद्ध में भारत को हार मिली। लेकिन महात्मा गाँधी और अन्य स्वतंत्रता सेनानियों के कारण हमें आखिरकार 1947 में आज़ादी मिल ही गई। आप आविष्कारों को ही ले लीजिए। परमाणु बम के आविष्कार में करीब तीन साल लगे और ऐसे कई समय आए जब यह नामुमकिन लग रहा था। लेकिन अमेरिकी वैज्ञानिकों ने अपना धैर्य नहीं खोया और कोशिश करते रहे और उन्होंने 1945 में परमाणु बम तैयार कर लिया। थॉमस अल्वा एडिसन जिन्होंने बल्ब का आविष्कार किया इसके एक और उदाहरण हैं। कहा जाता है कि जब सभी ने इसे नामुमकिन मान लिया था तब भी वह कोशिश करते रहे और सफल हुए। उन्होंने ही कहा था कि 'जब लोग हार मान लेते हैं तब वे यह नहीं जानते कि वे उस कार्य को पूर्ण करने के कितना करीब थे'। इसलिए हमें प्रयास करते रहना चाहिए। अगर हम प्रयास करते रहे तो हमारी दुनिया एक बेहतरीन दुनिया बन जाएगी।



मेरा जन्मदिन

1. मेरा जन्मदिन 25 जून को आता है।
2. मेरे जन्मदिन पर मुझे बहुत सारे तोहफ़े मिलते हैं।
3. मेरे जन्मदिन पर मुझे बहुत मज़े आते हैं।
4. मेरे जन्मदिन पर मेरे बहुत सारे दोस्त आते हैं।
5. मैं अपने जन्मदिन पर नए कपड़े पहनता हूँ।
6. मेरे जन्मदिन पर मैं और मेरे दोस्त खेलते हैं।



यशी खन्ना, दूसरी 'ई'

नारी

काँच की प्याली सी नाजुक है,
छोटे बच्चे जैसी मासूम है,
प्यारी है, वह न्यारी है।
सबकी राज दुलारी है।

डाँटो तो सहम जाएगी,
खुश कर दो तो फूल की तरह महक जाएगी,
पर नारी है, बेचारी नहीं,
पुरुषों पर वह भारी है

ममता और प्यार की मूरत,
हर बच्चे को दिखे उसमें भगवान की सूरत,
उसके किए त्यागों का,
समाज ही नहीं, देश भी आभारी है।

सहनशक्ति है उसमें अपार,
गहनों और साज-सज्जा से है उसे प्यार,
दो उसको इज्जत और सम्मान,
नारी के रूप में यह लक्ष्मी अवतारी है।

मायके का सुख छोड़कर जब ससुराल में आती है,
तो वही की होकर उसी में घुल मिल जाती है,
वंश को आगे बढ़ाकर नया जन्म वह पाती है,
नए रिश्तों को देकर वह सबकी जिन्दगी सँवारती है।

जब नारी के हैं बलिदान अनेक,
रूप अनेक और रिश्ते अनेक,
तब निःस्वार्थ होकर सब उसका सम्मान करो,
सब उसके लिए प्यारे हैं, तो वह भी हमें प्यारी है।

प्रियंका जैन, 10A



जिंदगी एक अबूझ पहेली

1. हर दुख में, हर सुख में
मेरी हर कश्मकश में
हर वक्त साथ रहे मेरी सहेली
जिंदगी एक अबूझ पहेली
2. मेरी हर जीत, हर हार में
भूत, भविष्य, वर्तमान में
कभी आकाश-सी निर्मल
कभी जमीन-सी मैली
जिंदगी एक अबूझ पहेली
3. सभी तीज और त्यौहार में
होली, दीवाली और रमजान में
खुशियों से भरी रहती इसकी हथेली
जिंदगी एक अबूझ पहेली
4. साये सी हर वक्त मेरे साथ रहे
होटों की हँसी तो कभी आँसूओं की बात कहे
कुछ सुलझी, कुछ हुई झमेली
जिंदगी एक अबूझ पहेली
5. कभी नीम की निंबोली सी
कभी ये गुड़ की गोली सी
थोड़ी मीठी, थोड़ी कसैली
जिंदगी एक अबूझ पहेली
जिंदगी एक अबूझ पहेली

झलक भार्गवा, दसवीं 'ब'

“बापू का सपना—स्वच्छ हो भारत अपना”

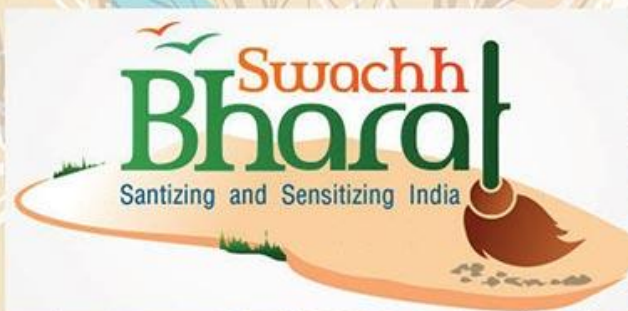
महात्मा गाँधी ने एक बहुत ही अच्छा और देश के लिए फायदे का सपना सोचा था, उसे नरेंद्र मोदी ने आगे बढ़ाया और देश में जगह जगह पर स्वच्छता का प्रचार किया। लोगों को जागरूक किया कि कैसे देश को स्वच्छ, साफ बनाया जा सकता है। हमें भी अपने देश को स्वच्छ बनाना चाहिए। इस सपने को पूरा करना चाहिए।

इस सपने को साकार करने के लिए हमें एक जुट होकर अपने देश को एक विकसित देश बनाना चाहिए ताकि हमारे बापू का सपना पूरा हो सके और हम एक अच्छे देश में रह सकें। स्वच्छ का अर्थ है—सफाई अर्थात् न केवल घर की, बल्कि अपने देश की, अपने विश्व की, और यह पहल हमें ही करनी है। हमें प्रतिदिन अपने घर की तथा विद्यालय की भी थोड़ी-थोड़ी सफाई करनी चाहिए।

हमें आस-पास कूड़ा नहीं डालना चाहिए। स्वच्छता रखनी चाहिए। हमें अपने देश को आगे बढ़ने में मदद करनी चाहिए। मैं भी आगे अपने जीवन में स्वच्छता को महत्व दूँगी। हमें हर दिन सफाई करनी चाहिए तथा प्लास्टिक का प्रयोग नहीं करना चाहिए और न ही ऐसे यंत्रों का, जिससे प्रदूषण उत्पन्न हो। तभी तो हमारे भारत में हर जगह खुशहाली और हरियाली आएगी और हमारा भारत एक स्वच्छ राष्ट्र बन पायेगा। हमें कम से कम हर दिन एक कोना अपने घर का साफ करना चाहिए और हमें इस मुहिम को 2019 तक पूरा करना है। आपको स्वच्छता को अपनी दिनचर्या में लाना चाहिए स्वच्छता का अर्थ न केवल सफाई है, बल्कि इसका अर्थ है — तन, मन की सफाई तथा संतुष्टि पाना। मतलब कि हम अपने मन से बुरे विचारों को निकालकर, ईर्ष्या की भावना हटाकर शुद्ध विचारों को अपने जीवन में लाना चाहिए। यदि हम इस कार्य को दिल से करेंगे तो एक दिन यह अभियान सफल जरूर होगा क्योंकि जहाँ चाह, वहाँ राह। एक दिन बापू का सपना पूरा होगा और हम विकसित और स्वच्छ राष्ट्रों में से एक होंगे। जय हिन्द! जय भारत

विदूषी जोशी, सातवीं ‘फ’

“बापू का सपना स्वच्छ हो भारत अपना”



बापू (महात्मा गाँधी) का सपना था कि हमारा भारत स्वच्छ रहे क्योंकि अगर भारत स्वच्छ रहेगा तो स्वस्थ भी रहेगा। एक विकसित देश बनने के लिए सबसे पहले स्वच्छता का होना आवश्यक है। हमें भी भारत को स्वच्छता की ओर अग्रसर करना चाहिए और हम भारत को स्वच्छ तभी बना पाएँगे जब हम दूसरों को गंदगी न फैलाने दें और खुद भी यह काम न करें। रोज अपनी और अपने घर की सफाई अच्छी तरह करें क्योंकि हर चीज़ की शुरुआत घर से ही होती है। किसी महान व्यक्ति ने कहा है “स्वच्छता, घर के अंदर हो या बाहर,

दोनों ही लाभदायक हैं और हमारा भारत एक बड़ा घर है, जिसे सफाई की आवश्यकता है। हम बिना गंदगी फैलाए, मन में यह सोच लाएँ कि दूसरों के द्वारा फैलाई गई गंदगी अपने ही घर को गंदा करेगी। हमें यह नहीं सोचना चाहिए कि यह कूड़ा किसी और ने डाला है तो वह ही आकर इसे उठाएगा। हमें भारत सरकार द्वारा चलाए गए ‘स्वच्छ भारत अभियान’ में अपना पूर्ण सहयोग देना चाहिए तभी अपने इस बड़े से घर को हम स्वच्छ रख सकेंगे। अगर स्वच्छता को हम अपनाएँगे तो खुशी होगी और उसका फल भारत के बेहतर ‘कल’ के तौर पर पायेंगे। हमें आज से यह शपथ लेनी होगी कि हम कूड़ा न तो स्वयं फैलाएँगे, न फैलाने देंगे। हमें सड़क पर थूकते हुए लोगों को रोकना होगा और उन्हें समझाना होगा कि स्वच्छता ही जीवन है। तभी तो गाँधी जी का सपना पूरा होगा।

निकुंज कौशिक, सातवीं ‘स’

मेट्रो की यात्रा

मेट्रो एक लोगों के लिए बनाई गयी रेल है। यहाँ एक कार्ड से प्रवेश होता है। इसके अंदर बैठने के लिए जगह और खड़े रहने की जगह है। मेट्रो के अंदर एक लड़की बोल रही होती है जी। हमें बताती है कि अगला स्टेशन कौन सा है। मैं भी एक बार मेट्रो में सफर कर चुका हूँ। कुछ मेट्रो स्टेशन पर खाने के लिए दुकानें बनी होती हैं। वहाँ पर एक सुविधाकेंद्र होता है जिससे हम टिकट या टोकन ठीक करवा सकते हैं। वहाँ पर अपने आप चलने वाली सीढ़ियाँ होती हैं। मैं जब पहली बार मेट्रो में गया तो मुझे बहुत डर लग रहा था परंतु मैं हिम्मत कर के गया। मुझे अब मेट्रो में सफर करना अच्छा लगता है। मेट्रो में कुछ खिड़कियाँ होती हैं। वहाँ पर कुछ डिब्बे सिर्फ महिलाओं के लिए आरक्षित होते हैं। वहाँ पर कुछ हैंडल होते हैं जो पकड़ कर खड़े होने के लिए होते हैं। मेट्रो जब रुकती है तो झटका लगता है। मेट्रो में अलग-अलग प्रकार के लोग होते हैं। एक बार मेट्रो मे मेरे साथ एक हादसा हुआ था। मेट्रो में ठंडी हवा भी होती है।

आकर्षण गुप्ता, चौथी 'ड'



मेहनत ही सफलता की कुंजी है।

मेहनत सफलता प्राप्त करने का आधार सबसे बड़ी सफलता है अगर हम मेहनत करेंगे तो कुछ भी हासिल कर सकते हैं। जैसे अर्जुन ने तीर अंदाजी में और रावण ने भगवान शिव की तपस्या करके सब कुछ हासिल किया। वैसे ही हम पढ़ाई खेल आदि में मेहनत करके सब कुछ हासिल कर सकते हैं। यदि हम किसी भी कार्य को पूरा करने के लिए ठीक तरह से मेहनत नहीं करेंगे तो हम कोई भी कार्य ठीक से नहीं सीख पायेंगे। जैसे मैंने हिंदी की परीक्षा में अभ्यास और मेहनत करके इस बार कक्षा में अत्युत्कृष्ट स्थान प्राप्त किया। जैसे भारतीय जवान बॉर्डर पर हमारी रक्षा करते लेकिन वे लोग ऐसे ही नहीं सैनिक बन गए उन्होंने भी मेहनत कर के अपना लक्ष्य हासिल किया। और जो अध्यापक या अध्यापिका बनते हैं उन्हें भी बहुत मेहनत करनी पड़ती है। मेहनत ही सफलता की कुंजी है। इसे कभी नहीं खोना चाहिए नहीं तो हम लोग कुछ भी हासिल नहीं कर पायेंगे।

धन्यवाद।

यश गुप्ता पाँचवी ब



वर्षा ऋतु

जब गरमी से मानव और धरती झुलस रहे होते हैं तब धरती की तपस बुझाने और जन-मन को शीतल करने के लिए वर्षा ऋतु आती है। यह ऋतु जुलाई से शुरू होती है। आकाश में बादल आते हैं। वह गरजते हैं और मन लुभाते हैं। हरियाली से धरती हरी-हरी मखमली नज़र आती है। चारों तरफ मेंढक टर्-टर् टर्ने लगते हैं। वृक्षों पर नए पत्ते फिर से निकलने लगते हैं। खेत-खलिहान वृक्ष, पेड़-पौधे मानों हरियाली से स्तब्ध हो गए हों वर्षा ऋतु में कई त्यौहार आते हैं जैसे तीज, रक्षा बंधन आदि। यहाँ तक कि भगवान श्री कृष्ण का जन्मोत्सव 'जन्माष्टमी' भी इस ऋतु का गौरव बढ़ाता है। वृन्दावन तो सावन में स्वर्ग लगता है। मेरा जन्मदिन भी इस ऋतु में आता है वर्षा ऋतु तो भारत भूमि के लिए भगवान का वरदान है।



धनिष्ठा सिंह, तीसरी 'फ'

जहाँ स्वच्छता होती है भगवान वहीं होते हैं।

बापू ने जिस स्वच्छ भारत का सपना देखा था, क्या वह भारत ऐसा था? अनेक भारतीयों ने स्वच्छ भारत का सपना देखा था पर भारत तो पहले से भी अधिक गंदा हो चुका है। लोगों ने सफाई की कोशिश ही छोड़ दी है। भारतीय नागरिकों की यह आदत बन चुकी है, सब इस गंदगी के आदी हो चुके हैं। जब बाहर से लोग भारत आते हैं तो यहाँ की गंदगी को देख कर क्या सोचते होंगे? स्वच्छता के बारे में लोगों



को बोलने से कुछ नहीं होगा। जब तक हर एक नागरिक, हर संभव तरीके से देश की स्वच्छता के लिए कुछ करेगा नहीं तब तक क्या होगा? लोग घर पर बैठे-बैठे यह तो कहते हैं कि भारत गंदा है, यहाँ हर गली में कूड़ा है पर क्या वह बाहर जाकर कुछ करते हैं? देश के आगे बढ़ने के लिए स्वच्छता बहुत ज़रूरी है। स्वतंत्रता के साथ जो ज़िम्मेदारियाँ आती हैं वो भारतीयों ने पूरी नहीं की। बापू हमेशा सफाई पर जोर देते थे। उनका कहना था चाहे हमारे पास एक ही कपड़ा हो पर वह साफ़ हो। सड़कों पर कूड़ा पड़ा देखकर हमें खराब लगता है। पर हम भी वाहनों में से गंदगी बाहर फेंकते हैं। “क्या हो गया? जब यह पहले से ही गंदा है तो एक चीज़ और डालने से कुछ नहीं होगा।” जब तक यह मानसिकता नहीं बदलती तब तक जितने भी अभियान हों कोई फर्क नहीं होगा।

जिस व्यक्ति ने हमारी स्वतंत्रता के लिए इतना संघर्ष किया, हमें उनके सपने को पूरा करने की कोशिश करनी चाहिए। देश की सफाई अब हमारे ही हाथों में है। समय बीतने पर तो और स्वच्छता होनी चाहिए थी पर इसका उल्टा हुआ। अब हर भारतीयों को साथ आकर कुछ करना होगा।

दशमी शर्मा, सातवीं 'ई'

हिंदी ज्ञान प्रतियोगिता



हमारे विद्यालय में प्रतिवर्ष हिंदी प्रतियोगिता का आयोजन किया जाता है। इस वर्ष प्रतियोगिता को 31 अक्टूबर 2017 को आयोजित किया गया। इस प्रतियोगिता के लिए कक्षा 2 से कक्षा 7 तक के तीन-तीन विद्यार्थियों को चुना गया। हमारी कक्षा में से मुझे और मेरे दो सहपाठियों को चुना गया। इस प्रतियोगिता का आयोजन श्रीमान रमेश तिवारी अध्यापक द्वारा किया गया। सभी प्रतियोगियों ने प्रश्नों के उत्तर बहुत समझदारी, सही भाषा शैली और आकर्षक तरीके से दिए। कक्षा 6 में से हमारी कक्षा ने दूसरा स्थान प्राप्त किया दूसरा स्थान प्राप्त करने से हमें बड़ी प्रसन्नता हुई। हमारी अध्यापिका ने और बाकी छात्रों ने भी हमें प्रतियोगिता की बधाई दी। ऐसी प्रतियोगिताएँ बच्चों में आत्मविश्वास को तो मजबूत करती हैं साथ ही उनमें हिंदी के ज्ञान को भी

बढ़ाती हैं और हिंदी भाषा के प्रति उनकी रुचि और सम्मान को भी बढ़ाती हैं। मैं तो यही चाहूँगा कि अधिक से अधिक बच्चे ऐसी प्रतियोगिताओं में भाग ले और हिंदी भाषा की गरिमा को बढ़ाएँ।

निवेश चौधरी
कक्षा छठी 'ए'

कोशिश करने वालों की कभी हार नहीं होती

“कोशिश करने वालों की कभी हार नहीं होती” यह कथन बिल्कुल सही है, जो पूरी मेहनत और लगन से अपना काम करता है वो कभी नहीं हारता। अगर आप हार भी जाए तो अपने आत्मविश्वास को खोना नहीं चाहिए, बल्कि एक दृढ़ निश्चय करके अपनी गलतियों को सुधारना चाहिए। कभी भी हार होने पर निराश नहीं होना चाहिए और अपनी गलतियों से कुछ सीखना चाहिए ताकि भविष्य में हम से वो गलती दोबारा न हो। जिस प्रकार एक चींटी कठिन परिश्रम करके सर्दियों के लिए खाना



लाती है, उसी तरह हमें भी कठिन परिश्रम करना चाहिए तथा, जिस प्रकार एक मकड़ी दीवार पर अपना जाला बनाती है जो बहुत मुश्किल होता है, वह मकड़ी उसे जल्दी-जल्दी बुनती है और अपना घर बनाती है। इसी प्रकार हमें भी कठिन परिश्रम करके अपनी जिंदगी में आगे बढ़ना चाहिए। अन्य उदाहरण के लिए हम अरुणिमा सिन्हा को भी ले सकते हैं। उन्होंने अपनी हिम्मत नहीं हारी जबकि उनका पैर कटा हुआ था। तब भी वह माउंट एवरेस्ट पर चढ़ी। इस तरह हमें भी अपनी जिंदगी में आगे बढ़ना चाहिए। किसी से लड़ाई नहीं करनी चाहिए, सबके साथ प्रेम और सद्भाव के जैसा व्यवहार करना चाहिए

निवश, छठीं 'अ'

मेहनत ही सफलता की कुंजी है



अगर हम मेहनत करें तो कुछ भी प्राप्त कर सकते हैं। मेहनत करना हमारे लिए बहुत जरूरी है। कड़ी मेहनत और पक्के इरादे के साथ हम अपने लक्ष्य तक पहुँच सकते हैं। मेहनत ही हमें आगे बढ़ाती है और एक अच्छा इन्सान बनाती है। किसी भी काम को करने के लिए हमें मेहनत की जरूरत पड़ती है। इस दुनिया में बहुत सारे लोग हैं, जो मेहनत करके सफलता पाते हैं। सिर्फ मेहनत ही नहीं, हमें पक्के इरादे के साथ भी काम करना चाहिए। एक किसान भी कड़ी धूप में मेहनत करके अपनी मंजिल की ओर अपना पहला कदम बढ़ाता है, वैसे ही हमको भी कड़ी मेहनत करके अपनी मंजिल की ओर बढ़ना चाहिए। मेहनत ही एक अनमोल

शक्ति है जिससे हम सफलता पाते हैं। बस एक बार मेहनत करके हम कोई भी काम कर सकते हैं। मेहनत ही हमें कोई भी काम करना सिखाती है। मेहनत ही सफलता की कुंजी है।

अनमोल शर्मा, पाँचवीं 'स'

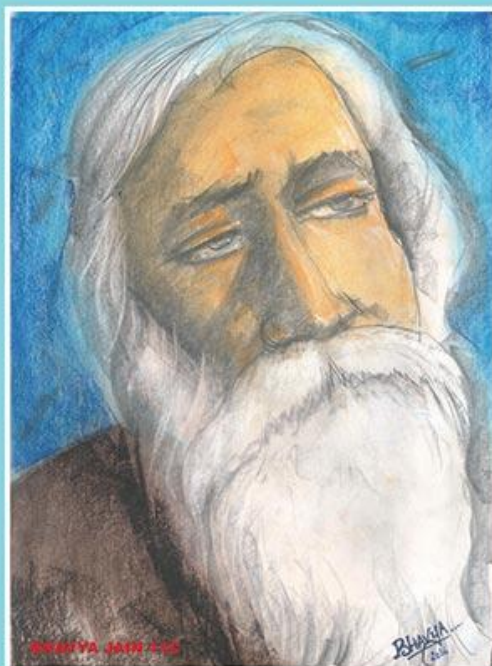
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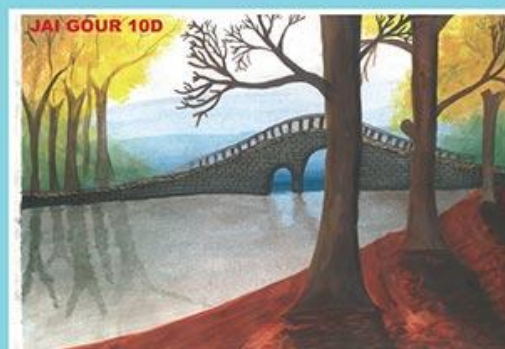


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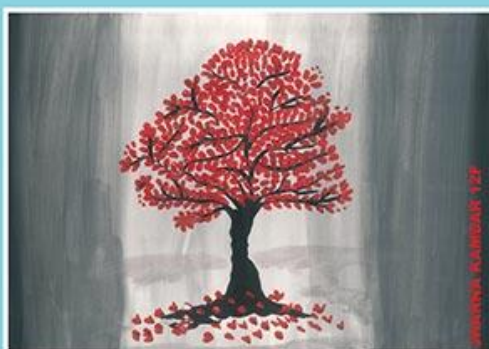
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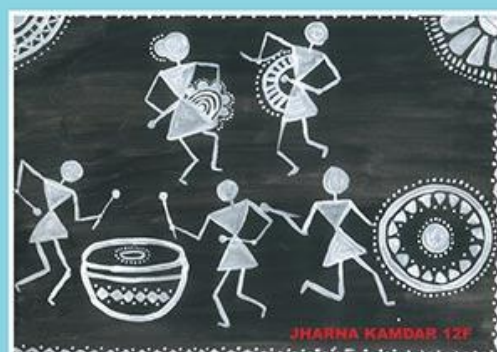
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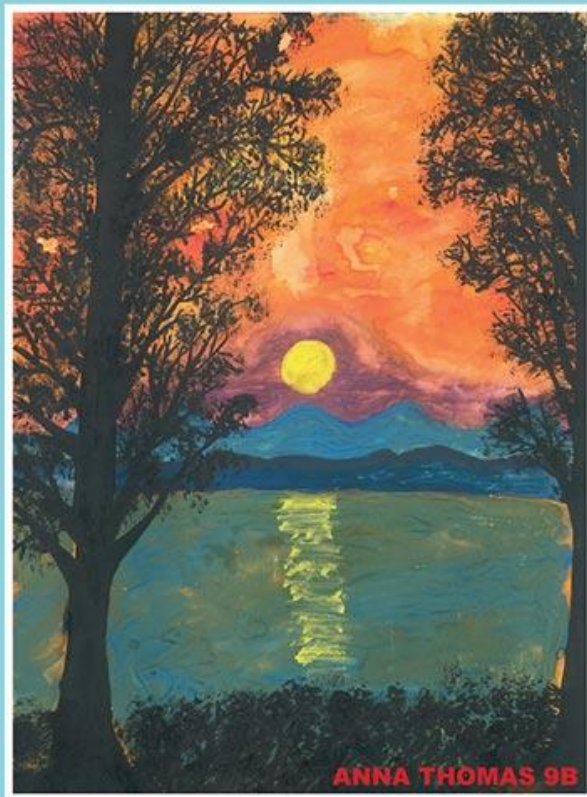
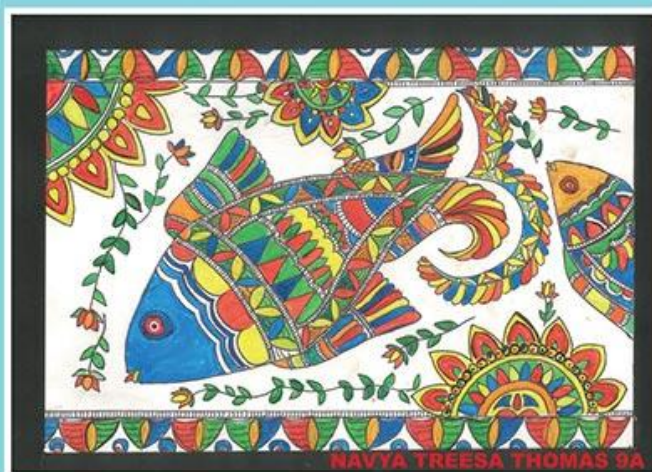
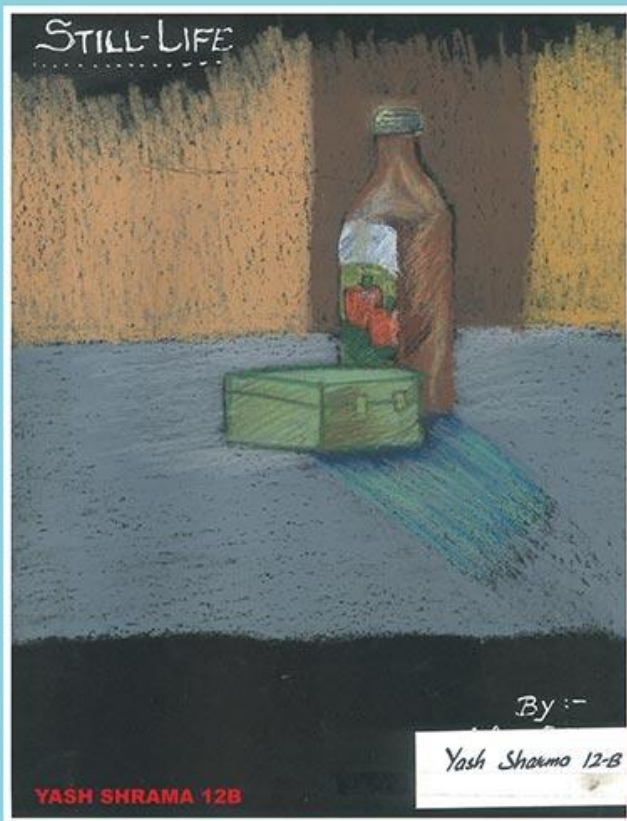
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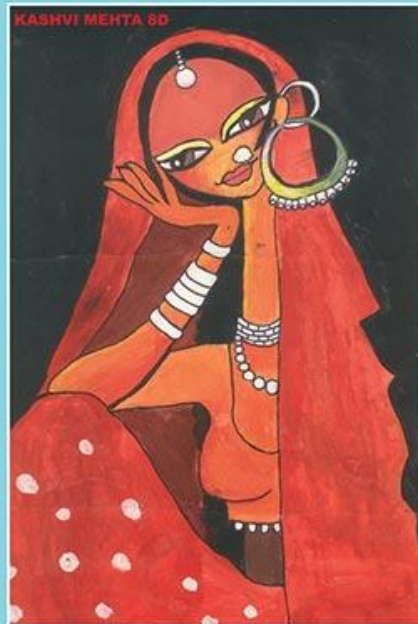


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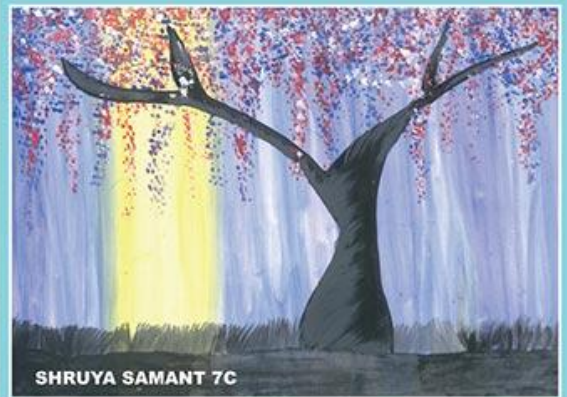


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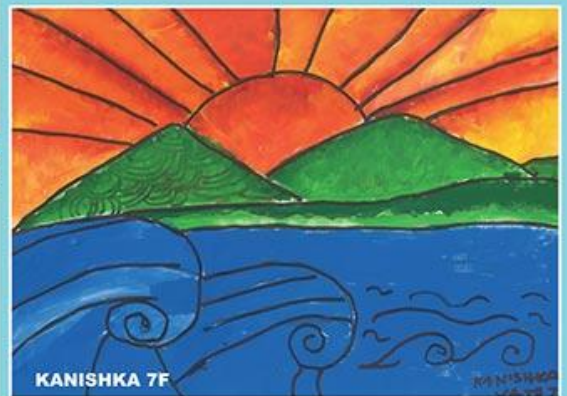


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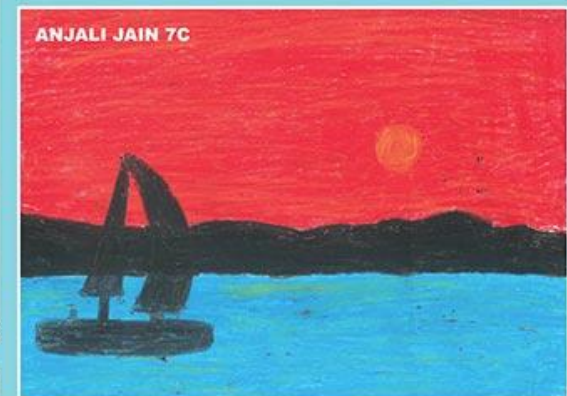


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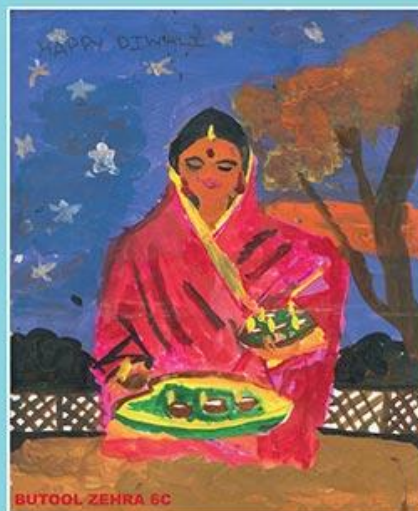
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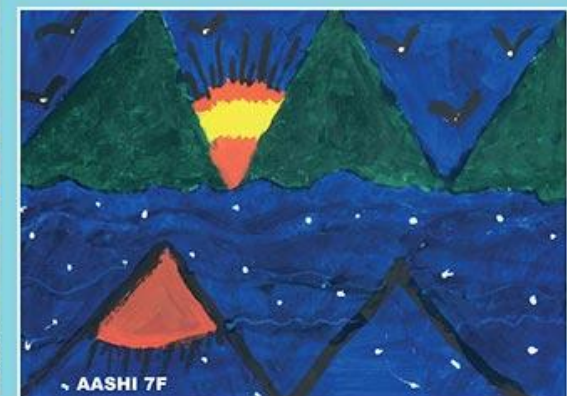
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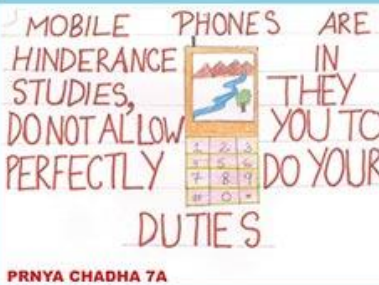
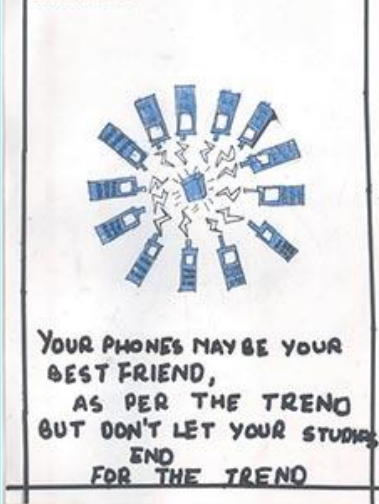


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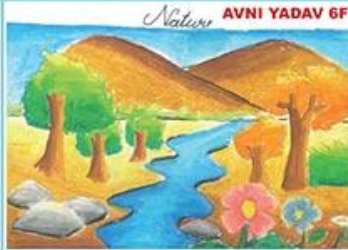
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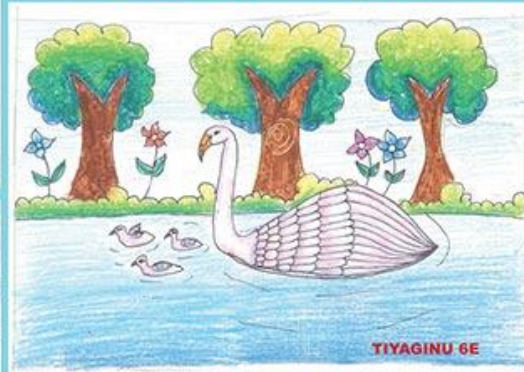
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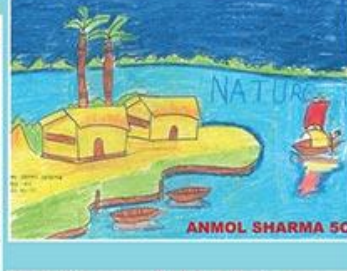
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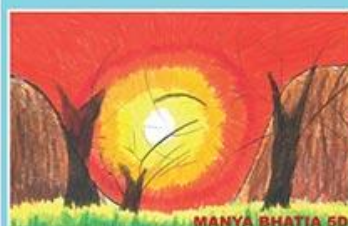
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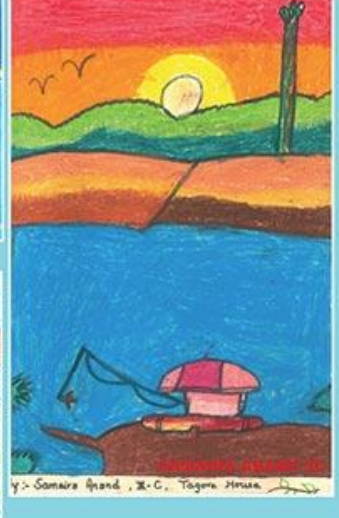
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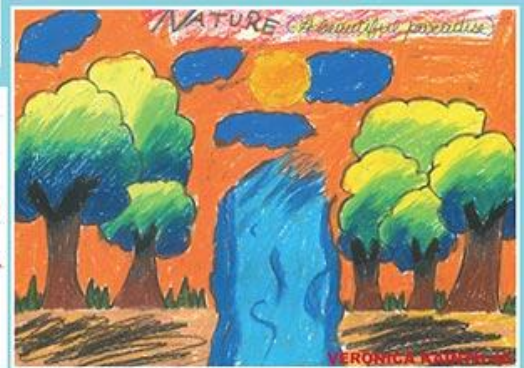
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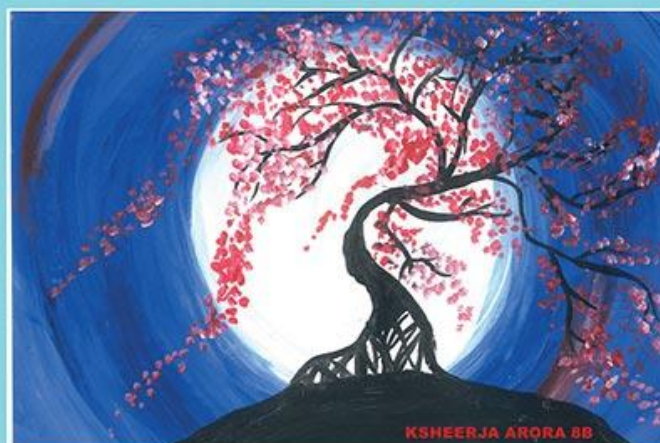
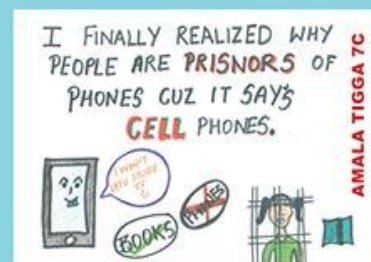
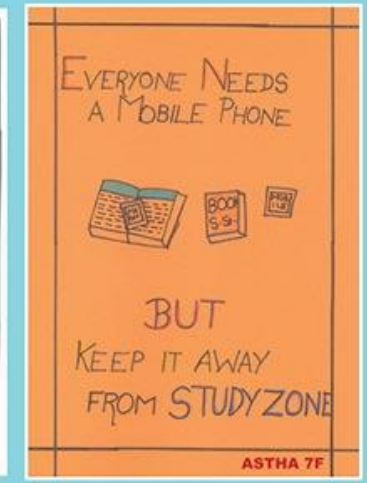
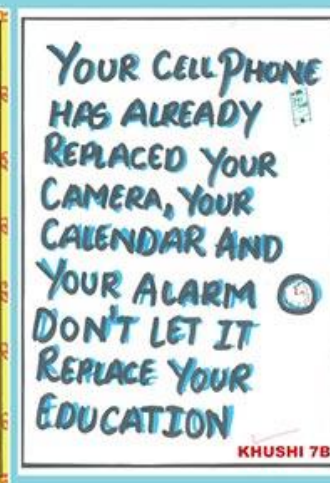
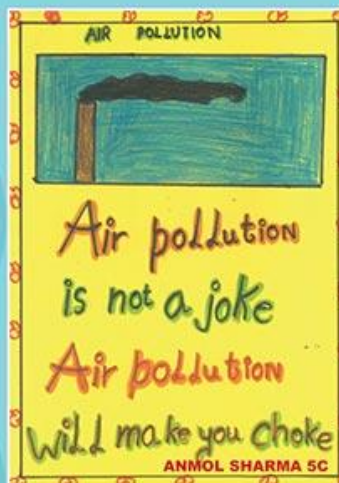
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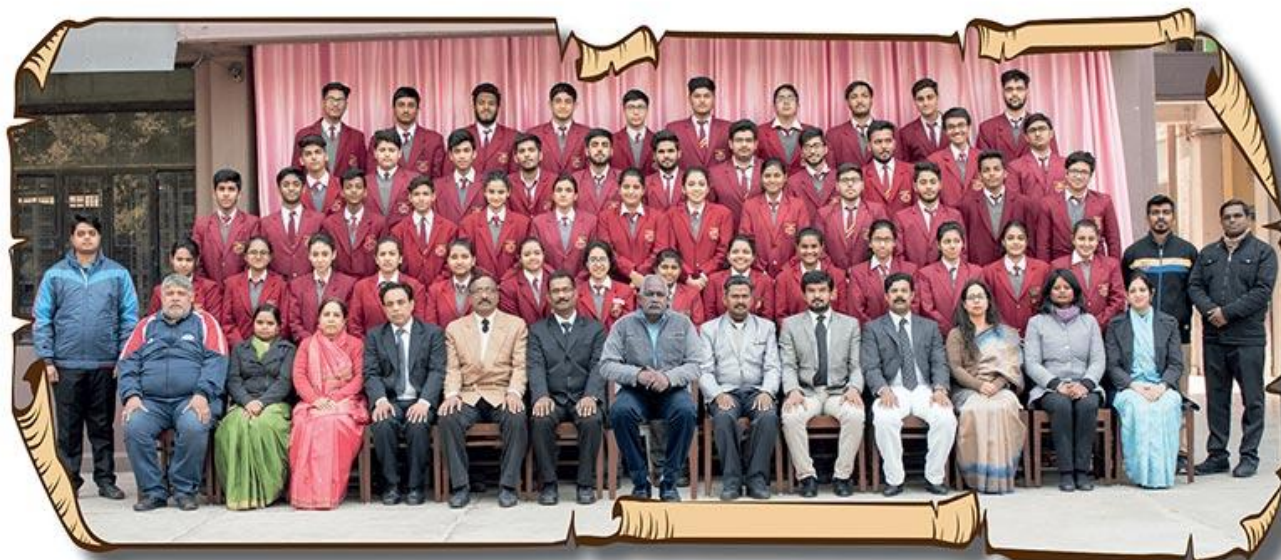


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