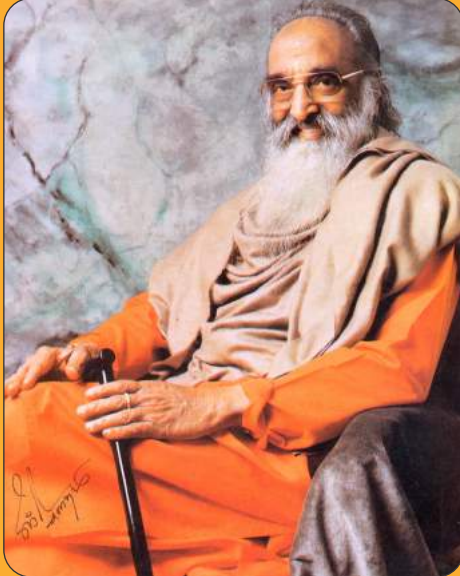




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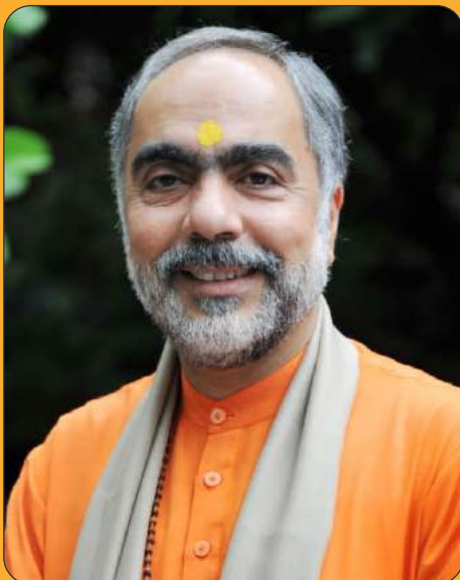
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THE MANY LANGUAGES OF A CHILD!

- by Dr. Neelam Malik.

The National Education Policy 2020 (NEP 2020), approved by the Union Cabinet of India on 29 July 2020, is the new vision for India's education system. Of the many provisions of this policy, the one that has garnered the highest amount of discussion is the generous use of the mother tongue or the native language as the medium of instruction.

So, what exactly does this entail? Is the teacher supposed to speak in her own Mother tongue or does she learn the mother tongue of the child, which may or may not be the same as that of other children or her own? And what about multi-lingual families where the child is exposed to different languages at home itself?

Learning is important, not teaching –

In my opinion, what matters is that “Learning” should take place, irrespective of the language.

But even before we address the idea of learning, let's discuss creating an environment conducive to the exchange of ideas assimilating information, and for creating new conceptual references. All these take place when there is a free exchange of ideas and thoughts.

And this free exchange is possible in the natural language of a child. The language in which one dreams is the natural language.

Expression precedes the spoken language -

Let us take a few examples - A child is sitting quietly, looking blankly at a wall. What is the child telling? Is the child communicating anything through silence? It could be boredom, tiredness, loneliness or anything else. Doesn't the work of the teacher entail deciphering the said and the unsaid aspects of language?

A child expresses through his or her expressions, through sign language, by pointing at things, through sounds, actions and even through silence. A child's distracted mumbling expresses more than intentional speech. All these expressions are documented.

The role of a teacher and parent -

It is important for a teacher and a parent to speak pure languages with correct pronunciation and the right grammar. Whether it is English in the case of an English medium school or any regional language, they need to speak the language fluently so that children learn the language correctly. That is because a child's very basic way to learn the spoken language is by listening.

Children also need to learn in a “Stress-free environment”. One needn't always translate when a child speaks in a regional language. When a child speaks in a mother tongue, whether the teacher understands the language or not, the teacher needs to 'communicate' with the child.

As pointed out earlier, a child gives many cues to the spoken language through expressions and actions. The teacher can also use assistance from another teacher or another child to help understand what is being said. Forcing a child to speak in a particular language not only deters free expression but also creates a stressful environment. Language delays and stuttering are often a result of such stress.

And I believe, avoiding this stress is the crux of the Mother tongue discussion that all academicians and teachers need to pick on, rather than going into the why and how of the matter.

The 100 different languages of a child -

A language need to be lived! During my visit to Reggio Emilia, a town in Italy known for its “Reggio method” of Preschool education, I found that they speak in only Italian, but still believe in the idea of 100 different 'languages' of children. Here learning takes place organically. In their context, even the play-way method seems restricted and narrow.

In our effort to replicate the experience in our schools, we created a 'Perfume Garden'. It was an experience created for the kids in an outdoor space where children could manipulate a variety of seeds, flowers, oils, leaves, plants, stones, etc. They played in the mud, held the clay, expressed using colours or merely looked around, smelling the different smells, touching different textures and spoke to each other. No instructions were given, children were not asked to 'do' or 'create' anything. Yet we found that maximum learning took place. That was the power of the '100 languages of a child'.

Similarly, experiential learning fosters language development. In my experience, children's learning gets a boost when they go on field trips or even a school picnic as compared to what they get in class.

The ever-evolving nature of languages -

Coming back to the mandate of elaborate usage of the “Mother Tongue” in preschool education, I feel communication should happen naturally. It should not be a deliberate effort.

Language is constantly evolving! Today, 5 and 6 year old speak the language of the Internet, most parents call it the 'YouTube' language. Popular media is affecting the way they speak. Peppa Pig fans speak in the British accent, whereas, young gaming enthusiasts will throw words such as 'noob' and 'imposter' at you. And unicorn Edutech companies see this as an opportunity to lure parents to teach their children the language of software too, through Coding!

Is it possible that we educationists, teachers, or so-called elders are somehow speaking a language that is obsolete? And if so, how capable are we to decide the language of expression for the young ones? And where does the whole discussion regarding Mother tongue lie in the current scheme of things? Could it be possible that this could be an obsolete area of discussion too? Or are we trying to turn simple concepts into complicated cryptic messages?



BELIEVE IN PRAYERS! ALWAYS BE CAUTIOUS BUT DO NOT BE FEARFUL!

There are many questions that our students have on their minds. Our Student Council members posed these questions to Principal Ma'am. Read her responses, where she shares new insights and new ways of thinking about the current situation, that will help you look at things differently!

The pandemic has changed the world in many ways. Do you think that the world will ever be back to how it was before the pandemic?

Radhamani Ma'am's reply - Situations depend on how you perceive them. Didn't we face any challenge

before the pandemic? But right now, the challenges are faced collectively and globally and therefore, it is getting noticed. This collective experience is what has made the pandemic a well-defined challenge.

The 'World Wide Web', the 'WWW', was present even before the pandemic. But we were not using it to the optimum. Now we are using it more prominently. It has got the chance to come forward and create disruptions. So, this is a major realisation for all of us.

I had attended a seminar 5 years back. There it was discussed how the whole world is going to come on one platform and communication will be crucial. It was discussed that someday humans will travel from one place to another in shorter time spans, for e.g., from India to America in just 40 minutes and that Passenger Space Shuttles will be a possibility. Who knows what the future holds! But the possibilities are endless. We must be open to them and adapt to new definitions of normal.

We have seen you encouraging and motivating others. What was the driving force that helped you stay positive and productive during pandemic?

For me, my students and your enthusiasm are my biggest motivation. As we grow older, we drive into a self-motivation mode. I immensely believe in the power of prayer. In life many challenges will come. Our ability to face them depends on our perception, and that depends on our inner strength that comes with meditation, prayers, and a belief system.

What do you think the future holds? How do you think this generation will grow up to be as citizens of our country?

I don't think anyone of us can predict the future. Other than astrology, which is a science, there is no way of fully knowing the future. But we know what's happening now, in the present. I strongly believe in the famous quote in our Bhagwat Geeta, that is, 'Karma karo, phal ki chinta mat karo'. Keep doing your work even if you are unsure what the future holds.

My earnest request to the young generation is do not waste the present time and the present opportunities. Sometimes to know things better, we need to go through some difficult situations. For example-When you learn to cook. In your first attempt, the food will never taste that good. Either the salt will be too much, or spices will be less. The next time it will be better and as you keep on making mistakes, you learn how to do it better. The same is applied to life. You make mistakes and you learn. The current times has hindered physical activities, especially for students. But they are also getting experts at self-management. It is individual decisions to choose the school sponsored physical activities, or any other activities to keep yourself fit and

this self-management is one major change which 21st century students will experience life differently. Online learning itself means learning to be independent and learning independently. There is no one to impose and children are learning self-monitoring method gradually and that is a great boon for future leaders. I urge my students to indulge in a lot of physical play at home. You can do this by creating playing spaces at home. Practicing new hobbies or gaining mastery over an art at home can also be done.

Frontline warriors are considered as Gods. How can each one of us contribute towards the betterment of the nation at our own level?

I would like to say that most of us are already contributing. The first and second waves of Covid were combatted and brought under control. That was only possible because we adhered to the safety precautions of social distancing. Not wearing masks is being rebellious and that is not contributing to the nation. Front line workers are deeply motivated. Their lives are at stake, but they continue doing their duties, so they are of a different league altogether. I want to stress that we all can do simple things to contribute to the society. It can be as simple as providing groceries or homemade food to people who have covid patients at home or delivering milk or medicines to the elderly. I have seen adults throwing wrappers and littering places. Our essential service workers are already tired. We must not increase their work. In a nutshell, I feel, acquiring joy in doing small, simple things is more important than performing any extraordinary act. For students to come online and keep the learning going is a big contribution and I salute you students!

Parents' lives revolve around children. Many parents feel that Online learning is making their children lazy, its straining their eyes and affecting their health. What do you think?

I completely agree with parents. The amount of time spent in front of the screen should be reduced. Earlier, when you had physical school, you did not study online but after school went and watched TV. Now with online education, I hope screen time for entertainment has reduced and productive screen time has increased. Therefore, in effect, screen time remains the same as earlier. Prioritising the entertainment screen time and productive screen time is individual decision. Some parents also have the concerns about online learning. They worry that their child's education will remain stagnant for the whole time of the pandemic. I would say here, dear parents, the current generation children are going to be the most creative one and problem solvers. The prime requirement is to be in present, accept change and to continue with education on this new platform.

Parents have a lot of faith in students and schools? But will the assessments be fair. Are teachers able to assess students equally and are the exams fair?

I have a question for you, do we get any question papers in life? Or do we get time to prepare for life? No, right? Uncertainty prevails in life and that is the nature of life. We must be alert. Live in the present. School assessments are done after preparation. Please understand that the aim of assessments is learning. They help to know how much is learnt and what needs to be learnt. During Online exams, students were self-monitoring. 80% of the students have decided that they will self-manage. What happened to the other 20% who decided that it is okay to take support? They searched for the answers, went through their books and in turn learning took place. The CBSE board has changed assessments to include more case studies. This will test student's thinking skills, curiosity, creativity etc. This presents a great opportunity for us to change the education system.

Can you give the readers of Amitam a thought that they can follow?

Always be cautious but do not be fearful! Whenever faced with an uncertainty follow the following steps - Tell yourself to relax; then Observe the situation objectively, without getting emotionally involved; then Think; and then respond.

I always follow the above technique. Even when the lockdown began in March last year and we did not know how to tackle the situation, I applied the same technique and in March itself we were able to conduct our first Online Examinations and then we were able to connect with our students on Microsoft Licenced software.

So even when your parents feel stressed, you can tell them 'Please Relax'!

Radhamani Iyer
Principal, AG NAN

Looking forward to getting back to school

Let me take you back to the last day of the school in the academic year March 2020. As soon as the school bell rang, the students would have been overjoyed with the summer vacation in mind and the variety of activities they were to do in the holidays. They would have hugged and said goodbye to their friends only to see them again as the school reopens.



Would the joy be there?

Had they known that the COVID 19 pandemic would keep them apart from the school, teachers and their friends for so long?

Certainly not!

The education system has suffered a lot in this pandemic but thanks to the adaptive nature of human kind we have not let the learning stop.

Kudos to the Principals, Teachers, School Staffs, Students and their parents, the learning has been not only continuous but has evolved too. Lot of new learning aids have been introduced; students have been proactive in making the process smoother. At times they help teachers in getting comfortable with all the gadgets used for learning. However, while online pedagogy does a great job of supplementing offline education, it does not serve as the latter's replacement.

This holds especially true in a developing country such as India for several reasons. The online medium can't replicate the interpersonal interactions that school facilitates by bringing children of different skills and intelligent quotient together. Hence, we would all look forward to getting back to school and hope that it happens very soon, and pandemic becomes a history.

Piyali Kulkarni,
Headmistress, AG NAN



Matru Pitru Poojan is a day of celebration of love in its true form between the most loved ones. This auspicious occasion saw an overwhelming gathering of 1500 parents and students online who had witnessed the pooja live to revive and celebrate our ancient tradition of parental reverence. Every year the school celebrates Matru Pitru Poojan during 'Navratri'.

The school displays beautiful clay figurines of gods and goddess and are worshipped for nine days viewing art as Divinity. On the Tenth day that is commonly referred to as Vijayadashmi or Dussehra, immersion of Navdhanya takes place (i.e. the seeds of inner renewal which are sown and sprouted). This tradition, which is deep-rooted in our culture, enhances the parent-child bond and ingrains in the children, the values of respect and love for the elders. The divine rituals of Matru Pitru Poojan was conducted by Swamini Anaghananda, the Acharya of Chinmaya mission, Thane. The celebration included pious and celestial, 'Matrustavanam shlokas' in praise of mother's selfless and unconditional love. The pooja was followed by "Garba" where the glimpses of previous year's Dandiya raas were shared virtually. The dance form that symbolizes the circle of life. It was performed with great zeal and enthusiasm by students, parents and the teachers.

Speaking on this occasion Smt. Radhamani Iyer, Principal, Arya Gurukul said, "This traditional adage emphasizes the value of elders and helps in celebrating this bond." She further added that the concept of mother and father worship is deeply ingrained in our way of life and the mother is considered as the first guru, father is considered as the second guru and Acharya the third guru. She emphasized that this tradition would contribute to the preservation of our culture for the years to come. "I have not seen any other school organizing such an event that instills the finer values among our children. It is a much required value for today's generation and should be replicated in other schools as well" spoke a parent, feeling nostalgic. The event came to its closing with the chants of shantipath. It was indeed a proud moment to be a part of this pious occasion.



MATRU PITRU PUJAN CELEBRATING THE BOND BETWEEN PARENTS AND CHILDREN

Love is pure, selfless, divine and eternal. Only our parents are capable of truly displaying this kind of unconditional love. We witnessed this bond during the Matru Pitru Poojan on Saturday, 17th October 2020 by expressing gratitude and love for the ones who taught the real meaning of love.



YOGA FOR LIFE - INTERNATIONAL YOGA DAY CELEBRATIONS!

AryaGlobal's Yoga Day celebration is one of the most anticipated events each year. This year, the group arranged for a 12-day virtual Yoga training program for all its members. The training included practice of various Yoga asanas and the correct way of performing them, followed by meditation. This program was conducted in the early hours, every morning from 9th June, culminating in a grand event on the 21st June to celebrate "International Yoga Day".

Mr. Bharat Malik, Chairman of AryaGlobal group introduced the theme of the event – "Yoga for Life". He shared, "The AryaGlobal group believes in wellness and betterment of all individuals and Yoga is one way to achieve this. We believe in Yoga as a way of life and want each one to understand the importance of Yoga asanas and the impact they have in leading a fulfilling life."

Everyone is awakening to the importance of performing Yoga, especially in the current stressful times. Its importance to stay physically fit to fight Covid, is well established. The Principals of Arya Gurukul schools, Nandivali and Ambarnath and St. Mary's School, Kalyan, reiterated that Yoga is an 'integrated' exercise that caters to physical, mental and spiritual wellbeing, and 'integrated development' is the core philosophy at AryaGlobal schools.



The instructors of yoga and the physical education teachers guided and mentored the students throughout to perform various yoga asanas following proper postures to benefit health and maintain fitness. The message of healthy wellbeing and its importance was very well conveyed to the parents and students through various display performed at school by the teachers.

The grand event on World Yoga Day was viewed by over 3000 children and parents. The feeling of unity and wellbeing resonated across all participants as they performed the Yoga asanas. Everyone's house lit up with the sound of the special Yoga song sung by the children and reminded all of the benefits of Yoga for staying fit. The whole process of celebrating Yoga Day was fruitful with 100% participation of students, teachers and parents virtually.



HONOURING THE GURUS ON GURU PURNIMA.

Guru Purnima was celebrated on 16th July 2020, by the students of Grade 1 to 12. A special Assembly was held to mark the day. This included the thought for the day, bhajan, dance performances, speeches, and drama.

All the student participants were present virtually to wish their guru and take their blessings. Guru Dakshina was offered to the teachers and staff by the students in the form of music and dance, greetings to teachers.

Students and teachers spent an emotional moment which invoked positive vibes throughout the assembly programme. This program brought the teachers and students together as it invoked gratitude towards the guru in each and every member present virtually.

Everyone remembered the great role that our Gurus play in our lives, in showing us the right path, to take the right decisions and bring light where there is darkness. Students expressed how they are longing to meet their teachers again in school and the teachers shared that they are also eager to see their students physically in school. The day ended with a feeling of gratitude and reverence for all the Gurus in each one's lives.



GAYATRI HAVAN ON CHINMAYA ARADHANA DAY.

Arya Gurukul, Kalyan organized its auspicious ceremony of Gayatri Havan on 3rd August 2020 at Arya Gurukul. The same was telecast to the students as they performed the pooja from home. Every year Gayatri Havan is organized to immortalize Swami Pujya Gurudev Chinmayananda's Maha samadhi.

'Gayatri Havan' is the most intensive way to elicit maximum benefits. It initiates one to form a close bond with Gayatri by creating a conscious flow of subtle energy within one's body. This will empower various aspects of one's personality – intelligence, beauty, speech, health, etc. – which will naturally reflect in one's actions and growth.

Swami Chinmayanandaji's Samadhi Day marks the beginning of a week-long program of Mahamanav Saptah. The religious ceremony began with the chanting of hymns which purified the ambience and brought positivity and filled the air with the spirituality. The holy ritual of Gayatri Havan was performed by the auspicious hands of Swamini Nishkalanandaji. The auspicious occasion began with an enlightening speech on the 'Spiritual journey' of Swami Pujaya Gurudev Chinmayananda followed by soulful Bhajans and dance performance. Around 1500 Students, teachers and all the members of the school offered their prayers by reciting Gayatri Mantra from home virtually to seek intellectual prosperity and good health.

Addressing on the occasion, Principal Mrs. Radhamani Iyer expressed her view that such rituals inculcate a reverence for our own culture amongst our children. Shri Bharat Malik Chairman of ETF (Education Today Foundation) and Dr. Neelam Malik, Director, Arya Gurukul, graced the ceremony with their esteemed presence and enthusiastically took part in the religious ceremony.

Director, Dr. Neelam Malik a vehement disciple of Chinmaya Mission said, "The Gayatri Havan helps in keeping the technocrat generation tethered to their roots". A brilliant cultural program was performed by students.



INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATIONS BY ARYA GURUKUL.

Arya Gurukul celebrated the 74th year of India's Independence on 15th August with great patriotic fervor, zest and zeal.

The celebrations began with unfurling of the national flag by Principal of Arya Gurukul Mrs. Radhamani Iyer in the school premises followed by Sampurna Jana Gana Mana and flag song by the students virtually and teachers of Arya Gurukul. Live streaming through Microsoft Teams made it possible for all students and parents to watch the event from their homes. This kept the patriotic spirit intact even in dreary times such as these.

An array of illuminating speeches by the Management, Principals, and dignitaries delivered the message that India has moved ahead in terms of growth and development and now it's a time for the youth to take the baton ahead. This year's theme was "Atma Nirbhar Bharat" and the speeches by students fairly communicated the importance of self-reliance in every sphere of life. A student aptly pointed out that personally each one of us has demonstrated Atma Nirbharta during the quarantine phase.

The NCC cadet's salute to the flag raised the patriotic quotient in every way possible, evoking the feeling – "Hum Honge Kamayab!"

Mrs. Radhamani Iyer's message was "Respect the law of the land, respect every individual, your family, elders and respect other's viewpoint." Respect lives, respect every creature, respect nature, respect values of our country - were the highlights of the event which was focused upon.

The programme also included an array of cultural programme that included patriotic songs and dances performed by the students which were recorded and shown to the parents and all stakeholders virtually. Speeches were delivered by the students in Hindi, Marathi, Sanskrit and English.

The various performances presented on this occasion by the students were very impressive and added glory and grace to the occasion. The programme concluded with the national song sung by the students and teacher virtually.

The talented students and teachers of Arya Gurukul, Nandivali and Ambarnath and St. Mary's High School, Kalyan, collaborated to create a spectacular display of performances. The fascinating aspect is that during the conceptualization and execution of the entire program, the participants stayed in their own homes and managed to put on such a mind blowing show. This was a practical case of how positive utilization of technology can create wonders.



several beautiful hand-made Ganeshas was extremely joyous", shared Mr. Bharat Malik, Chairman, Education Today Foundation.



ECO- FRIENDLY GANESHOTSAV CELEBRATIONS!

Education Today Foundation had organized an "Inter-unit Eco-friendly Ganesh Making Sankalp", which was well attended by teachers, students and parents on an online platform. Fine art and Sculpture artist presented a demo session for the students on this occasion to guide them in making the Ganesh idols.

This was recorded and presented live for the students. A short video on eco-friendly, pollution-free Ganesh festival celebration was shown to the students during assembly programme.

These students used shadu matti (clay) or eco-friendly materials and colours available at home and made Ganpatti idols by showcasing their talent, skills and creativity with utmost sanctity. Thereafter, the students, teachers and principal got together and took a pledge online to celebrate Ganesh Utsav with eco-friendly Ganpatti idols and decoration materials for their lifetime.

"Instilling a love for nature and love for our culture is our motto. We are happy that we had the resources so that students could learn the responsible art of Eco Friendly Ganesh idol making. Seeing the pictures of

Smt. Radhamani Iyer, Principal, Arya Gurukul, expressed her views on this occasion - she said it was a "Great way to invoke Lord Ganesh in an Eco-Friendly way." She spoke about how the water and surroundings get polluted after immersion of POP Ganesh idols. She suggested ways to curb the pollution caused by immersion of POP idols. She asserted that Ganpati idols should be made by the eco-friendly 'Shadu Mati' only. All the participants were motivated for this noble drive with participation certificates. Smt. Dr. Neelam Malik, Director ETF also expressed her views on this occasion to promote noise-free and pollution free Ganpati Utsav. Shri Hemant Magarde, Mrs. Mani Nadar, Art instructor from Arya Gurukul Nandivali initiated this beautiful program which not only helped to explore the creativity of the little sculptors, but also imbibe in them eco-friendly habits right from young age.

The 'Sthapana' of the idol was done in the school premises on Ganesh Chaturti Day. On the 5th day, the immersion was done amidst festivity and most importantly, a unique and novel concept is introduced in school wherein, an artificial pond is created.

This pond is used to immerse Ganesh idols so that the clay from immersed Ganesh idols can be reused. The offerings to Lord Ganesh like 'Durva' and flowers are turned into manure in the school. The program was presented live among more than 5000 students, parents and teachers from Arya Gurukul virtually.





KHEL MELA 2020.

Sports is an integral part of learning. School life is incomplete without sports. To celebrate the spirit of sportmanship, AryaGlobal celebrated “Khel Mela” virtually.

The AryaGlobal KHEL MELA FIT INDIA CELEBRATIONS and Inter House and Inter Unit sports Meet 2020 - 21 was celebrated from 10th December 2020 to 27th Dec 2020. This year Arya Global Khel Mela Inter Unit Sports Meet was an online extravaganza in which not only the students, but the parents got the opportunity to participate in the fitness challenges.

This event got all the members of the family together as everyone at home got involved in the spirit of Khel Mela. All participants received an online participation certificate. The theme for the year 2020-21 was AryaGlobal KHEL MELA - NEW INDIA, FIT INDIA.

Webinars on health and nutrition, exercise, healthy life were conducted by eminent speakers in the respective fields for parents, teachers and students during Khel Mela Fit India Week celebration. Therefore, this event instilled the importance of discipline and maintaining physical fitness for all.



REPUBLIC DAY 2021

Arya Gurukul, Nandivali, celebrated the 72nd Republic Day with great vigour and vitality. The ceremony of unfurling of the National Flag was done at the hands of Shri. Anup Nair, Ex-serviceman, Indian Airforce, currently working as Admin Officer at Arya Gurukul, Nandivili. The atmosphere was charged with patriotic zeal and emotions when the staff present in school paid obeisance to the National flag.

The entire programme was streamed live to the students and parents through Microsoft TEAMS. On this momentous occasion, students delivered speeches virtually and took an oath to adhere to the values of selflessness, loyalty and honesty towards the cause of our mother-land.

The cultural extravaganza commenced with Hindi patriotic songs, followed by dance performances by the students of Arya Gurukul Nandivili, Arya Gurukul Ambarnath and St. Mary's High School which evoked feeling of pride, respect and gratitude to all the countrymen whose contribution to make this day was appreciated. It was an emblematic moment of patriotism as it stirred the nationalistic feelings.

Students struck a chord with the audience virtually with their inspirational and patriotic speeches delivered in four languages i.e., Sanskrit, Hindi, English and Marathi. Approximately 3000 viewers including students, teachers and parents of Arya Gurukul, Nandivili, Arya Gurukul Ambarnath and SMS witnessed the programme physically as well as remotely.

Speaking on the occasion, Smt. Radhamani Iyer, Principal, Arya Gurukul stressed upon the value of life and how India has successfully been able to invent vaccine which could save our citizens and also the whole world which is the need of the hour. The Principal also appreciated the commendable contribution of the youth and the students who stood strong towards achieving this goal of a pandemic-free world by being responsible and following the safety protocols.

Smt. Shobhana Jha, Principal, St. Mary's expressed her gratitude towards the parents, teachers and students and encouraged stakeholders to pledge and take part in nation building, to uphold the culture and be an ambassador for a bright future in New India.

Smt. Vinda Buskute, CEO Admin, St. Mary's, thanked the parents and students for their invaluable contribution during this period of struggle, and motivated each one with her inspirational words.

Shri. Deepak Verma, Sports Director, AryaGlobal, also shared his views on being a proud Indian and appreciated the contribution of all the citizens for their tireless efforts in making India proud.

The day culminated with a vote of thanks followed by Vande Mataram. The memory of the day echoed in the hearts of everyone, and all were immersed in the patriotic fervour.



The entire event was streamed live on Facebook, YouTube channels of Arya Gurukul.

The programme was graced by the valuable words of inspiration and motivation by Dr. Neelam Malik, Director, Academics, Arya Gurukul, Shri. Bharat Malik, Chairman AryaGlobal, Smt. Radhamani Iyer, Principal, Arya Gurukul, Dr. Sunil Sharma, special guest for the day and the head of the departments.

More than 400 students were at their resplendent best as they participated with great vigour and passion and created a spectacular display of dance, music and art. It was the culmination of a year-long journey of discovery.

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ARYA GURUKUL'S 14TH ANNUAL DAY CELEBRATIONS.

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MATRU-PITRU POOJAN

Target Group: Grade I to XII students.

Venue: Arya Gurukul Nandivali

Date: 17th October 2020

Love is Pure, Selfless, Divine and Eternal. We get this divine Love from our parents.

Arya Gurukul, CBSE, Nandivali, Kalyan (E) celebrated Matru Pitru Poojan on Saturday, 17th October, 2020 with euphoria and exuberance by expressing gratitude and Love for the ones who taught the real meaning of love, who love unconditionally lifelong i.e. parents.

Maru Pitru Poojan is a day of celebration of love in its TRUE form between the most loved ones (parents and children). This auspicious occasion saw an overwhelming gathering of 1500 parents and students online who had witnessed the pooja live to revive and celebrate our ancient tradition of parental reverence. Every year the school celebrates Matru Pitru Poojan during 'Navratri'.

The school displays beautiful clay figurines of gods and goddess and are worshipped for nine days viewing art as divinity. On the tenth day that is commonly referred to as Vijayadashmi or Dussehra, immersion of Navdhanya takes place (i.e. the seeds of inner renewal which are sown and sprouted). This tradition, which is deeply-rooted in our culture, enhanced the parent-child bond and ingrained in the children, the values of respect and love for the elders.

The divine rituals of Matru Pitru Poojan was conducted by Swamini Anaghananda, the Acharya of Chinmaya mission, Thane. The celebration included auspicious and celestial, 'Matrustavanam shlokas' in praise of mother's selfless and unconditional love. The pooja was followed by "Garba" where the glimpses of previous years dandiya raas was shared virtually.

The dance form that symbolized the circle of life. It was performed with great zeal and enthusiasm by students, parents and the teachers.

Speaking on this occasion Smt. Radhamani Iyer, Principal, Arya Gurukul said, "This traditional adage emphasizes the value of elders and helps in celebrating this bond." She further added that the concept of mother and father worship is deeply ingrained in our way of life and the mother is considered as the first guru, father is considered as the second guru and Acharya as the third guru. She emphasized that this tradition would contribute to the preservation of our culture for the years to come.

"I have not seen any other school organising such an event that instills the finer values among our children. It is a much required value for today's generation and should be replicated in other schools as well" spoke a parent, feeling nostalgic. The event came to its closing with the chants of shantipath.





INTERNATIONAL YOGA DAY

Target Group: GRADE I TO XII

Venue: performed in MPH by teachers.

Link: <https://bit.ly/3p742t9>

Live Event telecast for students, parents all other stakeholders.

AryaGlobal's Yoga Day celebration is one of the most anticipated events each year. This year, the group arranged for a 12-day virtual Yoga training program for all its members. The training included practice of various Yoga asanas and the correct way of performing them, followed by meditation. This program was conducted in the early hours, every morning from 9th June, culminating in a grand event on the 21st June to celebrate "International Yoga Day".

Mr Bharat Malik, Chairman of AryaGlobal group introduced the theme of the event – "Yoga for Life". He shared, "The AryaGlobal group believes in wellness and betterment of all individuals and Yoga is one way to achieve this. We believe in Yoga as a way of life and want each one to understand the importance of Yoga asanas and the impact they have in leading a fulfilling life."

Everyone is awakening to the importance of performing Yoga, especially in the current stressful times. Its importance to stay physically fit to fight Covid, is well established. The Principals of Arya Gurukul schools, Nandivali and Ambarnath and St. Mary's school, Kalyan reiterated that Yoga is an 'integrated' exercise that caters to physical, mental and spiritual wellbeing. And 'integrated development' is the core philosophy at AryaGlobal schools.

The grand event on World Yoga Day was viewed by over 3000 children and parents. The feeling of unity and wellbeing resonated across all participants as they performed the Yoga asanas. Everyone's house lit up with the sound of the special Yoga song sung by the children and reminded all of the benefits of Yoga for staying fit.

Programme details:

The programme was arranged for students, staff and parents of Arya Gurukul to mark the celebration of International Yoga Day. All were informed about the protocol of the yoga asanas as prescribed in the CBSE guidelines. Students, parents and staff performed the yoga asanas from their respective homes and adhered to the instructions given during the process.

The instructors of yoga and the physical education teachers guided and mentored the students throughout to perform various yoga asanas following proper postures to benefit health and maintain fitness. The message of healthy wellbeing and its importance was very well conveyed to the parents, students through various display performed at school by the teachers.

The whole process of celebrating Yoga Day was fruitful with 100% participation of students, teachers and parents virtually. Display by students on various yoga postures from home were photographed and sent as evidence to the teachers.



GURU POORNIMA

Grade I- XII

Date: Tuesday, 16th July 2020

Time: 7:45 to 8:45 AM

Programme Details:

Link: <https://bit.ly/32hS46X>

Special Assembly programme to celebrate Guru Purnima including thought for the day, bhajan, dance performances, Speech, Drama. Guru Purnima was celebrated at Arya Gurukul by the students of grade I – XII. All the student participants were present virtually to wish their guru and take their blessings.

Guru Dakshina was offered to the teachers and staff by the students in the form of music and dance, greetings to teachers.

Students and teachers spend an emotional moment which invoked positive vibes throughout the assembly programme.

Special assembly programme was organized by students with dances, songs and skits for teachers virtually. This program brought the teachers and students together.

All the activities and the information given and shared enlightened the students and teachers. Students and teachers created a strengthening bond between themselves of love and happiness.

The programme invoked gratitude towards the guru in each and every member present virtually. Each one remembered their guru and invoked the blessings. Students and teachers strengthened the bond of love and respect between each other.

Spiritual values were inculcated in students through bhajans and songs.

Students realized the importance of guru in their life through speeches and songs.



Chinmayananda's Maha samadhi. 'Gayatri Havan' is the most intensive way to elicit maximum benefits. The holy ritual of Gayatri Havan was performed by the auspicious hands of Swamini Nishkalanandaji. Stationed acharya, Chinmaya Mission Kalyan.

The auspicious occasion began with an enlightening speech on the 'Spiritual journey' of Swami Pujya Gurudev Chinmayananda followed by soulful Bhajans and dance performance. Around 1500 students, teachers, and all the members of the school offered their prayers by reciting Gayatri Mantra from home virtually to seek intellectual prosperity and good health.

Addressing the occasion, Principal Mrs. Radhamani Iyer expressed her view that such rituals inculcate a debonair of reverence for own culture amongst our children. Shri Bharat Malik Chairman of ETF (Education Today Foundation) and Dr. Neelam Malik, Director, Arya Gurukul, graced the ceremony with their esteemed presence and enthusiastically took part in the religious ceremony.

The religious ceremony began with the chanting of hymns which purified the ambiance and brought positivity and filled the air with spirituality. It initiates one to form a close bond with Gayatri by creating a conscious flow of subtle energy within one's body.

This will empower various aspects of one's personality – intelligence, beauty, speech, health, etc. – which will naturally reflect in one's actions and growth. Swami Chinmayanandaji's Samadhi Day marks the beginning of a week-long program of Mahamanav Saptah.

Director, Dr. Neelam Malik a vehement disciple of Chinmaya Mission said, "The Gayatri Havan helps in keeping the technocracy generation tethered to their roots". An outstanding cultural program was put up by the students.

GAYATRI HAVAN - CHINMAYA ARADHANA DAY

Grade I to XII / Venue : MPH

Date : 3/8/2020 performed virtually.

Time 9:00 am to 11:00 am

Programme details :

Arya Gurukul Kalyan organized its auspicious ceremony of Gayatri Havan on 3rd August 2020 at the school. The same was telecasted to the students and they performed the pooja from home. Every year Gayatri Havan is organized to immortalize Swami Pujya Gurudev





INDEPENDENCE DAY

Target Group: Grade I to XII

Venue: Event conducted at the Bus parking Area, Arya Gurukul, Nandivili. Live event and recordings of students performances telecasted to parents through online platform.

Date: 15/8/2020

Time: 8.00 am to 11.30 am

Link: <https://bit.ly/3mhYfiB>

Programme details:

The celebration began with the unfurling of the national flag by the Principal of Arya Gurukul Mrs. Radhamani Iyer in the school premises followed by Sampurna Jana Gana Mana and flag song by the students (virtually) and teachers of Arya Gurukul.

Arya Gurukul celebrated the 74th year of India's Independence on 15th August with great patriotic fervor, zest, and zeal.

The principal of Arya Gurukul Mrs. Radhamani Iyer said, respect the law of the land, respect every individual, your family, elders, and respect others' viewpoint. Respect lives, respect every creature, respect nature, respect values of our country - were the highlights of the event which was focused upon.

The Program also included an array of a cultural program that included patriotic songs and dances performed by the students which were recorded and shown to the parents and all stakeholders virtually. Speeches were delivered by the students in Hindi, Marathi, Sanskrit, and English.

The dance performances presented on this occasion by the students were very impressive and added glory and grace to the occasion.

The program concluded with our national song "Vande



ECO-FRIENDLY GANESHA MAKING

Target Group: Grade I-X

Venue: Workshop conducted for Grades 5 to 10 at Arya Gurukul and live telecasted to students and parents.

Date: 22-08-2020

Time: 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Link: <https://bit.ly/3E4xhRD>

Activities: Ganesha making online workshop and Interschool competition online.

Display of Ganesha Idols on Ganesh Chaturthi Day at school premises.

Immersion after 5 days in artificial pond made in school premises. Programme details: Education Today Foundation had organized an "Inter-unit Eco-friendly Ganesha Making Sankalp", which was well attended by teachers, students, and parents on an online platform. Fine art and Sculpture artist presented a demo session for the students on this occasion to guide them in making the Ganesha idols.

This was recorded and presented live for the students. A short video on eco-friendly, Pollution-Free Ganesh Festival Celebration was shown to the students during assembly programme. These students used shadu matti (clay) or eco-friendly materials and colours available at home and made Ganapati idols by showcasing their talent, skills, and creativity with utmost sanctity.

Thereafter, the students, teachers and principal got together and took a pledge online to celebrate Ganesha Utsav with eco-friendly Ganapati idols and decoration materials for their lifetime.

On the occasion, Chairman, ETF Shri. Bharat Malik mentioned after seeing the response of the eco-friendly Ganesh Utsav, it has inspired him to spread the

message among the students and the masses about inculcating pollution-free habits. As schools believe in celebrating Ganesh Utsav in eco-friendly way to protect our environment, all these idols will be placed for worshipping at the school auditorium and will be immersed in school premises by creating a water body and this clay would be recycled for future use. In this way, students will be motivated to celebrate Ganesh Festival in an eco-friendly manner for their lifetime and conserve the environment.

Smt. Radhamani Iyer, Principal, Arya Gurukul, expressed her views on this occasion - she said it was a "Great way to invoke Lord Ganesha in an Eco-Friendly way. She spoke about how the water and surroundings get polluted after immersion of POP Ganesh Idols.

She suggested ways to curb the pollution caused by immersion of POP idols. She asserted that Ganpati idols should be made by the Eco-friendly 'Shadu Mati' only. All the participants were motivated for this noble drive with participation certificates. Smt. Dr. Neelam Malik, Director ETF also expressed her views on this occasion to promote noise-free and pollution free Ganpati Utsav. Shri Hemant Magarde, Mrs. Mani Nadar, Art instructor from Arya Gurukul Nandivali initiated this beautiful program which not only helped to explore the creativity of the little sculptors, but also imbibe in them eco-friendly habits right from young age. A pledge to make eco-friendly Ganpati model to protect the environment was taken by all the students and the dignitaries present. Students sculpted Ganesh idols with ecofriendly clay.

The 'Sthapana' of the idol was done in the school premises on Ganesh Chaturti Day. On the 5th day, the immersion was done amidst festivity and most importantly, a unique and novel concept is introduced in school wherein, an artificial pond is created. This pond is used to immerse Ganesh idols so that the clay from immersed Ganesh idols can be reused. The offerings to lord Ganesha like 'Durva' and flowers are turned into manure in the school. The program was presented live among more than 5000 students, parents, and teachers from Arya Gurukul virtually.



KHEL MELA

Target Group-Grade 1-12

Date-10-12-2020 TO 27-12-2020

Programme Details:

Sports is an integral part of learning. School life is incomplete without sports. To celebrate the spirit of sportsmanship, Aryaglobal celebrated "Khel Mela" virtually.

The Arya Global KHEL MELA FIT INDIA CELEBRATIONS - INTER HOUSE AND INTER UNIT Sports Meet was celebrated from 10th December 2020 to 27th December 2020. This year Arya Global Khel Mela Inter Unit sports Meet was an online extravaganza in which not only the students but the parents got the opportunity to participate in the fitness challenges.

This event got all the members of the family together as everyone at home got involved in the spirit of Khel Mela. All participants received an online participation certificate. The theme for the year 2020-21 was Arya Global KHEL MELA-NEW INDIA, FIT INDIA.

Webinars on health and nutrition, exercise, healthy life were conducted by eminent speakers in the respective fields for parents, teachers and students during Khel Mela Fit India Week celebration. This event instilled the importance of discipline and maintaining physical fitness for all.





REPUBLIC DAY

Target Group-Grade I-XII

Date-26-01-2021

Venue-Teams virtual platform.

Link: <https://bit.ly/3p3Koyi>

Programme Details:

Arya Gurukul, Nandivali, Kalyan East celebrated the 72nd Republic Day in the festive spirit and with a great vigour and vitality. The ceremony of unfurling of the National Flag was done at the hands of Shri. Anup Nair, Ex-serviceman, Indian Airforce, currently working as Admin Officer at Arya Gurukul, Nandivili. The atmosphere was charged with patriotic zeal and emotions when the staff present in school paid obeisance to the National flag.

The entire programme was telecasted live to the students and parents through Microsoft TEAMS. On this momentous occasion students delivered speeches virtually and took an oath to adhere to the values of selflessness, loyalty and honesty towards the cause of our mother-land.

The cultural extravaganza commenced with Hindi patriotic songs, followed by dance performances by the students of Arya Gurukul Nandivili, Arya Gurukul Ambarnath and St. Mary's High School which evoked feeling of pride, respect and gratitude to all the countrymen whose contribution to make this day was appreciated. It was an emblematic moment of patriotism as it stirred the nationalistic feelings.

Students struck chord with the audience virtually with their inspirational and patriotic speeches delivered in four languages i.e., Sanskrit, Hindi, English and Marathi. Approximately 3000 viewers including students, teachers and parents of Arya Gurukul, Nandivili, Arya Gurukul Ambarnath and SMS witnessed the programme physically as well as remotely.

Speaking on the occasion, Smt. Radhamani Iyer, Principal, Arya Gurukul stressed upon the importance of life during this pandemic and how India has successfully been able to invent vaccine which could save the citizens, our country and also the whole world which is the need of the hour. The Principal also appreciated the commendable contribution of the youth and the students who stood strong towards achieving this goal of pandemic free world by being responsible and following the safety protocols.

Smt. Shobhana Jha, Principal, St. Mary's expressed her gratitude towards the parents, teachers and students, encouraged stakeholders to pledge and take part in nation building, to uphold the culture and be an ambassador for a bright future in New India. Smt. Vinda Buskute, CEO Admin, St. Mary's, thanked the parents and students for their invaluable contribution during this period of struggle, and motivated each one with her inspirational words. Shri. Deepak Verma, Sports Director, AryaGlobal, also shared his views on being a proud Indian and appreciated the contribution of all the citizens for their tireless efforts in making India proud.

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ANNUAL DAY

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Date-26-01-2021

Link: <https://bit.ly/3p7CWSX>

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(A report by Master Vedant Kaneri, Std. 8th C, to be submitted to Mr. Rushiraj Salvi Sir.

Date: 7th April 2021

ANNUAL DAY 2020-21 – A REPORT

Arya Gurukul's annual day is a mega event. Every year in the month of April, the school is abuzz with songs, dance, drama and compering rehearsals. Though this year the event was not possible due to the pandemic, we were still able to have our annual day-online.

Every year there is a choice where we can select whichever field we are interested in. Some of them are Tabla, Choir group, Dance, Drama, Compering etc. This year, we only had 2 options which could have been opted, Dance or Music. As I am interested in Tabla, I chose the same. Along with me, there were many students who were performing instruments. The participants were:

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| 1) Vedant Kaneri | 2) Manthan Naik |
| 3) Riya Pawar | 4) Pooja Kumar |
| 5) Durva Walawalkar | 6) Piyush Kumar |
| 7) Varad Hasabe | 8) Aditya Moorthy |
| 9) Arnav Pingle | 10) Kevin Borase |

We all were guided and mentored by Mr. Rushiraj Salvi Sir. This year, we were introduced to many new instruments alongside the instruments we knew. The new ones which were included in this year's performance were:-

USED BOXES

At first, the track seemed a bit difficult but sir was a great inspirer and inspired us at every stage where we felt we were not doing good. Our first meeting was held virtually on 4th of March. On that day, from 3 - 5, we were made to listen to the track repeatedly so we could know how many instruments were there. On the next day, sir told us to come to school so that he could distribute the instruments to us to practice. As it was a group performance, we had to meet 3 - 4 times before the actual shooting so that we interact with each other with the instruments and polish our playing. The dates were finalised for the shooting keeping in mind the students' availability for travelling. After discussion, 18th and 20th March were finalised as the dates for shooting. The venue too was decided.

On 18th, we were to shoot at Manthan's house and on 20th, we were to shoot in the school. On 18th it was decided that we shoot all the high perks like Dimdi, Maracuss, Reso Reso, bottle whistle etc. On that day, we all were welcomed by Manthan and his family and they really made us feel comfortable. After the shooting and the musical treat, we had a treat of misal which was given to us by Manthan's mother. On 20th, we were feeling good as we were visiting the school even in this pandemic time. On that day, we shot Tabla, Drums, Duff and Dafli. We also shot the padhant of Ganesh Paran.

The main feature this year was that multitasking was possible. Meaning, a student could play more than 1 instrument at a time which could have been a bit difficult in reality. One more feature was that sir had invited professional photographers to shoot our video. It was really a wonderful experience to work with them so closely and understand all the technicalities. Honestly, they were the first photographers who were actually encouraging us to give our hundred percent and they were musically very sound. They were very social and mixed with us in a short span of time. They showed us where we had gone wrong and listened to us so intently that even if we missed a beat, they would tell us to do it all over again. Sometimes it was frustrating that because of somebody else's mistake we had to shoot again, but we realised that it was for perfection. All together we pulled it off really well. They too liked us and enjoyed a lot.

We turned out to be explores when for the, which was a first time for some of us was that recording some of the part of our track in a recording studio with all the professional equipment. On the 24th of March, the day which the three of us: Me, Manthan and Kevin, will never forget, is that we went to the recording studio situated in Ulhasnagar. We were dumbfounded when we saw how small the studio was, but we were shocked when we were able to do wonders in it. Again, there were many new terms which we learnt. When recording the Ganesh paran, I felt like I was a professional singer waiting to sing a song. What the Annual day practice did more than usual was that it taught us new instruments and also showed us some career options for the future like that of a professional photographer and a music editor. As we were leaving the studio, all of us asked the fees for the studio and the shooting. It started a spark somewhere in us to do something as a part time job in the near future.

After a few editing of the video part, sir shared with us some photos with the help of which as an audience we could imagine how well the video part is working out. We also learnt many qualities. We understood the importance of team work and team

building. There are lot of qualities that can be learnt from sir as well. For e.g., Patience, Hard work, Determination and Creativity.

We were amazed by the patience level of sir and hard work he did for us and the school. His determination to make us play all the difficult parts was also commendable. And the creativity. The creativity with which he has made the track is really laudable. The faith which he had in us which made us do more hard work and pull off the shooting really well. I am indebted to sir for making our video so wonderfully. Last but not the least, I would also like to put on record our gratitude towards our school management for trusting us. Shree Bharat Malik Sir, Smt. Neelam Malik Madam, our Principal Smt. Radhamani Madam, Smt. Divya Borse madam, Smt. Geeta Nair madam and all the teaching and non-teaching staff which supported us, encouraged and motivated us. We are indeed indebted to all.

Throughout the journey, we ensured that we follow the norms laid down by the government for COVID. Sir too ensured that we follow all the rules by frequently sanitizing our hands and keeping social distance. This year the Annual Day was broadcasted on 11th of April. It was really a wonderful experience this year and I hope that next year too, we pull off well. Don't miss it out!



TABLA Percussion



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A FUTURE MESSAGE

BY IAN SANTHOSH CHOVOOKARAN GRADE V B



A NOTE FOR READERS:

This story is for entertainment purpose. The story doesn't mean humans are destroyers, but careless. We have the threat of global warming and pollutions, but we are still in the process of destroying nature.

Nick was having a walk at the beach. Suddenly a ball fell from the sky. Nick thought it was a normal ball, so he went near the ball. The ball was looking weird. He touched the ball, a boy started appearing. The boy started to talk "Don't worry it's hologram technology. I am sending this message to the past because I am going to talk about the future."

"During the year 4040 I don't know it is in the history book, we moved to the planet Mars for living. Our old planet earth was dying. There was no clean water, fresh air and plants in the world. We destroyed everything in our planet. We had to buy oxygen cylinders to breathe and keep us alive. We recycled waste water for drinking water."

"Many professionals went to Mars for research. We planted trees in Mars, we made artificial rain in Mars and slowly we made the planet into a living colony. We had water, air, trees and everything needed for life in that planet."

"Now it is the year 6062 and we are facing the problem of global warming and pollutions. Our planet is again turning into a wasteland. I know everybody will not believe this, but still I request you to save your beautiful planet earth."

The message ended; Ravi was shocked. Suddenly he heard some noise and turned back when he looked at his hand again, the ball was gone! He started thinking about whether it was an illusion or real. He didn't find the answer, but he understood the value of the resources that are present on the earth and the importance to protect the same for the future.

The end.....

A SPACE ENCOUNTER

BY IAN SANTHOSH CHOVOOKARAN GRADE V B



Space Ship LUMINARC is on a crucial mission to travel from its home galaxy Andromeda to Milky Way Galaxy in search of life. Arafra is the one and only planet which has life in the entire Andromeda Galaxy. People of Arafra is in search of life in any other part of this Universe. LUMINARC with its twelve crew members now crossing the boundaries and entering into the Milky Way Galaxy where the possibility of life is the highest. The crew members were happy as they found a planetary system containing a bright star on the center and eight planets in its orbit. The mainframe mechanism of LUMINARC automatically set its way to the planetary system. As the ship was entering the planetary system, they saw an abandoned space station. The crew decided to land and explore on the space station as it is the sign of life out there.

LUMINARC positioned near the space station and connected the ship with the space station through a tube. The crew moved through the tube and reached the space station, there were no living beings. The crew powered up the space station with the energy of LUMINARC. They managed to retrieve a voice message and transmission started.....

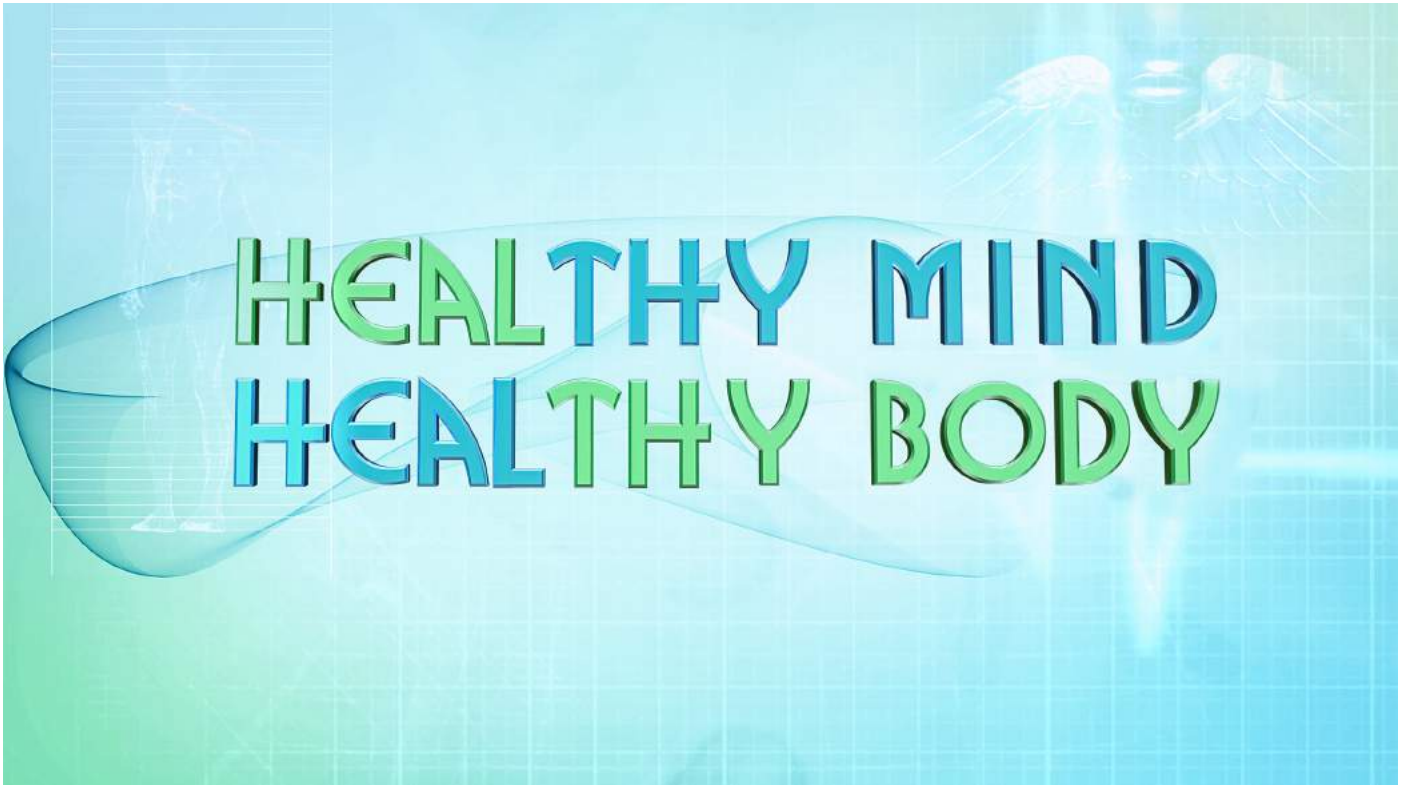
Hello, we are humans and we belong to the planet earth which is the part of solar system. To the best of our knowledge, we are the only living beings in this universe and of course we are the most intelligent as we thought. We may not be in existence while anyone hearing this message.

Our planet was a beautiful one and nature gave us everything, water, forests, mountains, landscapes, resources and much more. We could lead a peaceful life here, but we didn't, we fought each other, we destroyed our forests, we crushed our mountains, we pumped each drop of water from earth, we constructed huge buildings and turned this beautiful planet into a waste land. Slowly the planet lost its atmosphere balance and sun flare became harmful, millions died and those who survived fought each other for a drop of water. We a group of astronauts took shelter in this space station but our supply is limited and we will die soon. We are storing this message for those from the other parts of universe, if you are hearing this and you have a living planet, please do not destroy it, always respect and protect its nature or you will end up like us..... The transmission ended. The crew members looked at each other.....

Suddenly Ian opened his eyes and looked around. The room calendar showed April 14, 2021 and the clock showed 06:30AM. OH !! it was a dream, he exhaled deeply. He looked at the laptop, the screen was showing.....

SETI – Search For Extraterrestrial Intelligence "We are getting closer to discovering life on other worlds"

ESSAY WRITING COMPETITION



- Dhun Jain (Grade VII)

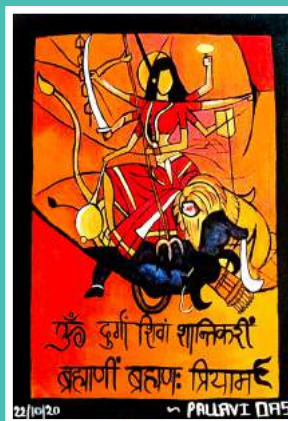
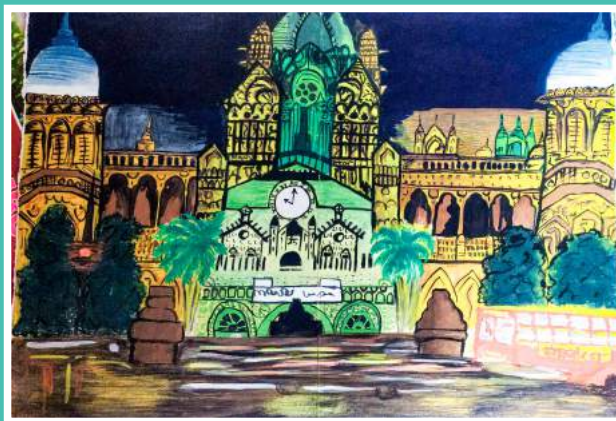
A healthy mind lives in a healthy body. Mental health is imperative for physical health. If the mind is unsullied and pure, it will greatly help in maintaining physical well-being and health. In today's lives we want to achieve and accomplish a lot in no time. But we are forgetting that in order to achieve all this, we need to remain healthy, physically and mentally. We are searching for mental peace all the time to counter stress in our daily lives, but we do not realize that if we are neglecting our bodies, how can we nourish our mind.

All human activities spread over the entire life span are governed by the mind. The subtle and imperceptible thoughts and feelings arising in the mind determine the nature and direction of human actions. Together with other aspects of life, physical health too, is a large extent subject to this power of mind. Ugliness of mind gets reflected in poor health. Conversely, good physical health denotes a healthy state of mind. Mental depression can have serious hazards and must not be allowed to take deep roots in the mind. A person with spiritual bent finds happiness and pleasure in every situation. If the mind is freed of unhealthy thoughts, the body, too escapes their deleterious effects. Healthy mind is the foundation of physical well-being. Thus, it is said that, "Only Noble thoughts lead to a noble life." Good health is a prime requisite for leading a healthy life and everybody should strive to achieve it.

Healthy mind, healthy body—we often hear this, but don't do much to incorporate it in our lifestyle. Our fast lives have not left us with much choice, except to multitask. We all are trying to do so many things in a limited time period and our lives have become hectic which leads to irregularity in following a healthy routine with lots of healthy habits. As a result, our physical and mental health suffer and we do not feel fit enough to chase our dreams and complete our to-do lists. We must not forget that "Health is Wealth." If we do not take care of our physical health, our mental health will automatically suffer. So, eat on time; sleep on time; do some exercise; take some small breaks; pursue your hobby to balance yourself; and move towards a healthy lifestyle and a healthier "YOU." Always remember, take care of your body, it's the only place you have to live.

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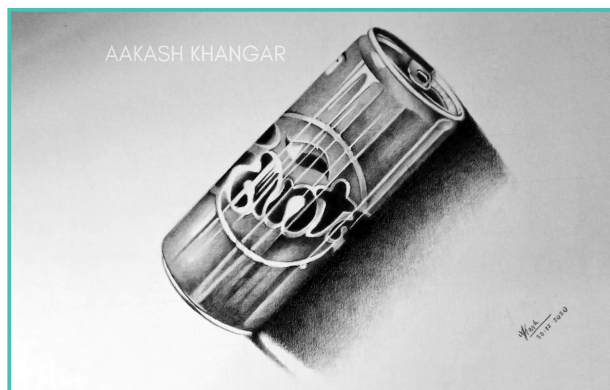
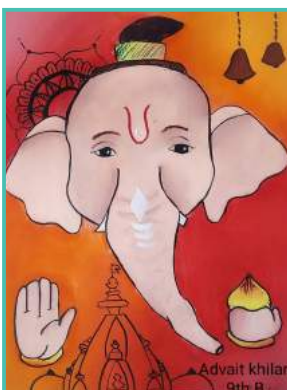
Grade IX - C



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ADVAIT KHILARI / IX

AKASH KANGHAR GRADE X



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**ADVAIT KHILARI
GRADE IX**

**TANISHKA WAGH
GRADE X**

**ABHINAVA VEETIL
GRADE X**

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RITVIK GOYAL / GRADE II



LAKSHYA THAKRE / GRADE IX



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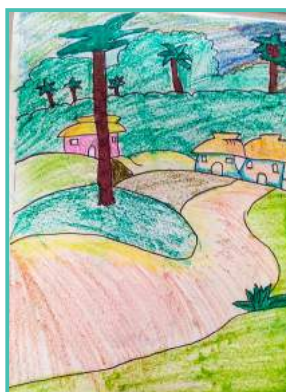
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GRADE V

VIVAAN VALANI
GRADE IV

SHREYA DAYMA
GRADE IV

SHAGUN PAL
GRADE V



ONLINE CLASSES

Aditi Iyer (Grade - VI B)

We all learn online at home,
I wish I could go out to roam,
We are in our home, All alone.

I have nothing to do,
Except attending online class,
And drinking water in a glass.

During online class,
We use headphone,
And solve questions on our own.

Our lecture starts at nine,
Even if we join early or late,
Online classes are great.

Teacher asks questions one by one,
Online classes are real fun.

We have much time to complete our notes,
But I wish school will start soon,
This is what I hope.

In my free time,
I either drink a coke,
Or make paper boats,
And enjoy watching them float.

During online time,
I wake up little late,
It makes me feel fresh like a daisy,
But still I feel a bit lazy, I didn't know,
Brushing up skills, were this easy.

I have plenty of time on my hand,
No doubt, Online life is very grand.

We talk with our friends on phone,
But in reality, All are alone.

In this time,
Many things we learn,
Believe me, online learning is fun!



HARMONY OF MIND AND BODY

Yash S. Awhad (Grade - VIII)

Be healthy,
Because it makes us immune,
And your mind and body will be in tune.

Don't sleep till the noon
For my old man says you will be a lazy toon.
With fruits and veggies,
Just fill the spoon
As they will make you strong very soon.
If you fall sick,
Just use this trick.

Keep the mind fresh,
Clear the clutter
Don't let it wander
Weave a positive mesh
Keep the will power to fight
And make the things right.

Keep a meritorious diet
Avoid the junk
Warn the negativity to be quiet
Or lock it up in the trunk.

Nurture a robust body
Add a sprinkle of positive thoughts
Bring in the harmony of the mind and body
Prepare to leave a dynamic legacy.



MY PASSION – SPORTS

Richa Samanta ray

Every day and every night, I play sports.

Sports is my favourite time, With my favourite drink of lime.

We have many kinds of sports, But it's not including the boats.

First we have cricket, For that I'll go in with a ticket.

Then we have hockey, And my favourite player is Rocky.

Then we have swimming, In which we are the king.

Another sport is badminton, And I love this sport a lot.

Next we have football, For which I need to be tall.

All I do is play sports; I need to get good reports.

I'll grow my passion of sports,

Even if I need to write my notes.

Everyday and every night, I play sports.

MY WORLD OF DANCE

Welcome to my world of dance!

Get in with the rhythm of France.

Dance with the rhythm, dance with the beat,

But wear your dress well and neat!

Wear your shoes, dance and spin,

After the show take some rest.

Twist your hands, move your legs,

Play the guitar, break the pegs!

Show the world you have something,

Get the position of the king.

Break the rules just move your body,

But try not to hurt your knee!

Get some rest, get some sleep,

After the nap, start your show.

Get in love with my world,

You'll shine like a pearl!



Ruhanika Pandey - I A

POEM

सो जा... सो जा... चुप हो जा...

तेरी मम्मी आएगी, तुझको दूध पिलाएगी |

सो जा... सो जा... चुप हो जा...

तेरे पापा आएँगे तुझको खिलौने लाएँगे |

सो जा... सो जा... चुप हो जा...

तेरे बाबा आएँगे तुझको वेफर्स लाएँगे |

सो जा... सो जा... चुप हो जा...

तेरी दादी आएँगी तुझसे प्यार जताएँगी |

सो जा... सो जा... चुप हो जा...

Arya Gurukul students participated in the National level - ATL Tinkering Competition organized by Chinmaya Mission and NITI Ayog.

Students of grade 8 & 11 secured 1, 2 & 3 positions respectively in the competition.



1st position
Dhairya Singh - Grade 10



2nd position
Pranav Gore - Grade 9



3rd position
Dhanesh Narayan - Grade 12



A TRUE FRIEND

Krishna C. Chaudhary – II A

A long time ago, there lived a pair of parrots on a tree. An old snake also lived in a hole in the same tree. The snake was too weak to go out to look for food, so the parrots used to leave some food for him near the hole.

The snake was grateful to the parrots.

One day, a vulture was hovering over the parrots. Just then, a hunter came there. He aimed his arrow at one of the parrot but the snake noticed his friends were in danger and bit the foot of the hunter to save them. The snake's bite ruined the hunter's aim and the arrow struck the vulture instead.

By saving their lives, the snake showed that he was a true friend. A true friend is the most valuable asset.



A SONG BY WOODPECKER

Swara Anil Naik – II A

I am a woodpecker. I make sound, tat tat tat tat tat.

I peck holes in a tree bark to find insects to eat.

I live in forest mainly on trees.

I use my beaks for drilling and drumming on trees.

I have stiff tail feathers which help me to climb a tree.

I help a tree to grow by eating insects on it.

I have black with white stripes on face and neck and red crest.

I am a woodpecker. I make sound, tat tat tat tat.



THE SUN

Shruti Dixit – III B

Yellow Sun, Yellow Sun,

Shining down so bright.

Sunshine, sunshine,

Giving lots of light.

The sun is warm,

It hits my face,

It really makes me smile!

I do not want the sun to leave,

So please stay for a while!



Yutika Yerurkar – I B

" Stop the tap from running all the way,
When we clean or brush or scrub away,
Stop the shower when we want to soap,
So in future we can cope,
Let's go save water, before it disappears,
Let's not waste water, water is precious."
(Song In english)

"Ye pani jeendagani rakhana sambhalke dharti ka pani"
(song in hindi)

And friends if you don't save water today then you may have to
say

"Koni pani deta ka pani, koni pani deta ka pani"
(dialogue in marathi)



AN ENCOUNTER WITH ENEMY

-Divya Nair

As they came, she held her breath ;
Sniffing down her cries ,
The cause of her comrade's death.
He signalled her to keep calm ,
As even a tiny movement would cause alarm ,
And would make the difference between life and death .
Then finally , he couldn't take it ;
He moved and breathed again .
And then they shot him, As he writhed in pain .
Unable to help him , she cried ...
Was it for nothing, Had they all died ?



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Grand Jury awards ,India school Ranking 2021-22.
Best Digital learning infrastructure school.
Arya Gurukul. India number 4
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Arya Gurukul Nandivali received Times Icons Award
Top School National curriculum.



Co Ed schools Kalyan - Dombivli schools
Rank 2 for Arya Gurukul Nandivali, Kalyan (E).

CHANGE MAKER



Radhamani Iyer
Principal
Arya Gurukul, Nandivali, Kalyan

Since time immemorial change is the only constant. Whoever doesn't adapt to change shall plummet into stagnation. Digital Transformation of Education is a conclusive reality since the last two decades and has been fast forwarded by the ongoing Pandemic. Indisputably the primary caregivers to children's holistic life's learning after their parents are the teachers. It is they who mould young impressionable minds to think intelligently, handing them the priceless gifts of knowledge and wisdom that amply equip them to lead their lives as successful adults in their respective professional fields in the future. And now they have taken the heavy mantle of educating the students in a 'Connected Learning Community' forgoing the traditional methods of teaching, thereby revolutionizing the whole Education System. The guiding force behind a successful institution is the leader the "Principal". The Principal handholds the teachers, gives vision to the organization, nurtures the children and manages the expectation of parents. It is our sublime duty to acknowledge Principals as the 'Change Makers'- celebrate them and applaud their sincere efforts for moving with the times.

"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams."



Manak Inspire Awards 2021

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Results-The following students of Arya Gurukul Nandivali are selected under the Inspire Award Scheme for the year 2021-22 and received an incentive of Rupees .10,000 each for their performance. The students will participate in the district level exhibition further.



Grade X
Aditya Vinay Dubey



Grade IX
Lakshya Manoj Thakre



Grade VIII
Saayli Suresh Changan

STUDENT COUNCIL 2021-22 (PRIMARY SECTION)



Jai Warriar
Jr. Head Boy



Sharanya Nair
Jr. Head Girl



Devaansh Tiwari
Jr. Malkauns House
Captain



Piyush Advani
Jr. Bhairav House
Captain



Drisana Puliatparambil
Jr. Malhar House
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Suryaansh Tiwari
Jr. Hindol House
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Sr. Malhar House
Vice Captain



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Sr. Malhar House
Captain



Dhanprada Desai
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Sr. Hindol House
Vice Captain



Mansi Singh
Sr. Bhairav House
Vice Captain



Neetu Nair
Sports Editor



Aadaya Dhotre
Chief Editor Girl



Prakhar Upadhyay
Chief Editor Boy



Pranav Gore
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Raam Upadhyay
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