



## Robo Geniuses!



**Nandan Kalaria, Raj Kalaria, Urja Stampwala & Nidhi Mallapur** of Std. XI emerged as winners and secured the **1<sup>st</sup> prize** in the Robotics Championship organized by Rachaita Enterprise at the BITA IT. Fair '15.



**Kartik Amin** of Std. IX, **Suhail Khira, Karan Patel & Darshil Agrawal** of Std. VIII & **Reeti Dave** of Std. VII secured the **2<sup>nd</sup> prize** in the Robotics Championship organised by Rachaita Enterprise at the BITA IT. Fair '15.

## Techno Tacky!



**Shashant Asnani, Suhail Khira & Karan Patel** of Std. VIII secured the **1<sup>st</sup> prize** at the BITA IT. Quiz '15.



**Sherwin Abraham, Krish Shah & Travon Bhagat** of Std. V secured the **2<sup>nd</sup> prize** at the BITA IT. Quiz '15.

## Cyber Safety

A Major Concern!

In view of the rapid increase in internet exposure among children, Cyber safety is an emerging concern among school-going children. St.Kabir recognizes the need to educate and spread awareness on this issue, to create a safer environment for our students.

**Ms. Bharti Dekate**, the Founder-Director of World Ready a pioneering organization that deals with Cyber Safety, had a session with the students to understand Cyber Safety related issues and deals with the following:

Cyber-Citizenship, Digital Footprints, Balancing your time online, Staying Safe online. The content delivered, adhered to age-appropriate standards of education internationally. A specially designed session for Parents was conducted to understand and address this issue effectively, in order to ensure cyber safety for their children especially in this highly competitive world.

## National Awardz!!

A Coveted Award!



Kabirite **Drashti Bhavsar** of Std. X a proficient dancer of St. Kabir School (GSEB), Vadodara, has bagged the **National Bal Shree Award** for excellence in the field of Creative Arts. She received the award from Ms. Smriti Irani (Union Minister of Human Resource Development) at a prestigious function, held on 26<sup>th</sup> Jan '15 at New Delhi.

Creative Pursuits!



Leading Reading Schools of India Award 2015, is an annual award established by **Young India book**. Students had the option of writing a biography of wild animals of India or illustrating a scene from a selected book.

**Aarohi Mehta** of Std. VIII won the **1<sup>st</sup> prize** and a cash award of Rs. 1,500 (book cover)

**Jeel Patel** of Std. VIII won the **3<sup>rd</sup> prize** and a cash award of Rs. 500 (picture illustration of story)

St. Kabir School bagged the **3<sup>rd</sup> rank** at the national level.

## Where Words Fail, Music Speaks!

**The Power Of Music**, a three day long Music Therapy Workshop which was held on December 12<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> in St Kabir School, organized by **Astitva** foundation, & a USA. based 'A place to be' organization, which is deep into music therapy. It was a unique endeavor. Therapist Tom, along with his crew threw light on how music can help to bring out the best in special individuals using musical instruments. It was appropriate at a time when St. Kabir was celebrating the completion of 25 years and it was also World Disability Month. At St.Kabir, efforts have always been made to bring the highest level of awareness and understanding for the differently abled children. The St. Kabir fraternity is committed to support children and their parents to balance the demands of a formal and competitive world with demands of their own special needs. The focus has been to explore the inclusive dimensions of theatre, music, art and dance through inspiring non-judgemental workable formula for initiating & developing confidence, trust, dignity, and respect, as well as creating self-discipline, responsibility, good judgement and perseverance.

*The workshop was interactive and benefited people from all walks of life.*



## Equipped To Face The Future!

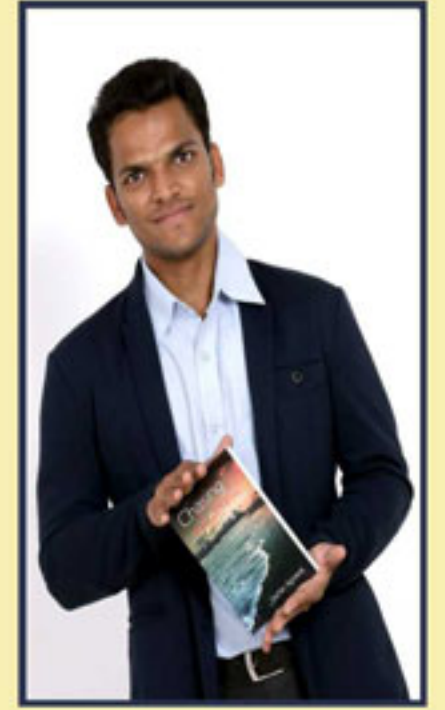


*It is not sufficient for us to be the mere hope of the nation. We must be the fulfillment of that hope!*

The Valedictory function which was held on 14<sup>th</sup> Feb. '15 was a solemn occasion. It commenced with the lighting of the lamp, followed by a serene rendition of the prayer. Tandon Ma'am blessed the children for their journey ahead and expressed her appreciation over the remarkable achievements & prizes that kabirites have won. The teachers tenderly expressed their love & care for the Valeditorians by their citations. The chief guest Mr. Shyam Bang, Executive Director of Jubilant life Sciences Ltd. briefed the students about the revolutionary changes that science has brought about in its wake. He advised the students to envision a future that can usher positive changes in their lives. Blessings in the form of traditional **tikka, dahi & shakar** ceremony poignantly reminded the students that now the onus was on them to spread the light, as they move along to new tidings. The students were presented with a sacred memento- the Bhagvad Gita in anticipation that its principles would steer the course of their future.

*It was indeed an emotional moment as the students of Std.XII were ready to leave the portals of their alma mater-St. Kabir. They will surely treasure the legacy that they have left behind!*

## A Radiant Destination!



**Sachin Agrawal**, an ex-student & the first batch of St.Kabir has made it as a fiction writer, with his book, **Chasing Love... Destination Unknown!** The book has made quite a headway.

*Sachin's expression of gratitude:*

Dear Tandon Ma'am,  
In keeping, with the motto of St Kabir - **A Good Beginning That Lasts A Life Time**, I have been able to herald a bright future for myself, by emerging as a budding writer. I congratulate you, Tandon Ma'am for all your sacrifices, in lieu of setting up this esteemed foundation. Hence, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to you Ma'am & all my dear teachers, who somewhere along the line, have contributed to my personal and professional enhancement.

Regards  
**Sachin Agrawal**

## Young Paper Giants!



**Leaders of tomorrow!**

Tata Building India organized an essay writing competition, as one of the key initiatives, undertaken by the Tata Group of companies to motivate the youth of India, towards thinking about nation building. The students vividly expressed their views on the cleanliness drive.

**1<sup>st</sup> Shashant Asnani Std.VIII**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Khushi Parekh Std.VIII**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Priyanka Das Std.VI**

## Spelling Champs!



**Satrupa Bhowmick & Rahul Khatri** of Std. IX made waves when they accurately spelt their way to the interschool Spelling Bee competition, held at Zenith School. They put up a tough fight & bagged the **1<sup>st</sup> prize**.

## Scientific Spectrum!



**Ansh Bhatt & Himay Patel** of Std. IX bagged the **2<sup>nd</sup> prize** in the Interschool Science Quiz organised by the Community Science Center.

## English Quiz

Std:VI A/B/C/D

**Buddha House - 1<sup>st</sup> Position**

Taushifa Sheikh VI B  
Ridhima Suthar VI C  
Tisha Tevar VI D  
Aakash Bijan VI A

**Gandhi House - 2<sup>nd</sup> Position**

Dhimahi Thakkar VI C  
Kavisha Shah VI B  
Urvi Gajera VI D  
Mann Shah VI A

**Tagore House - 3<sup>rd</sup> Position**

Nandini Chokshi VI B  
Darshit Shah VI A  
Rajrishi Parmar VI D  
Devansh Bhatt VI C

## Math- E- Match

Std. V &amp; VI

**Buddha House - 1<sup>st</sup> Position**

Vatsala Shah V A  
Pranita Paradkar V C  
Nihar Shah VI C  
Tisha Tevar VI D

**Shivaji House - 2<sup>nd</sup> Position**

Krish Shah V C  
Sherwin Abraham V C  
Hiranya Dave VI B  
Sparsh Dalal VI B

**Tagore House - 3<sup>rd</sup> Position**

Devarsh Dave V D  
Dhruv Yadav V A  
Darshit Shah VI A  
Varun Patel VI A

## Math- E- Match

Std. VII &amp; VIII

**Tagore House - 1<sup>st</sup> Position**

Aryan Chokshi VII D  
Darshit Vyas VII D  
Manan Bhansali VIII D  
Himil Gohil VIII B

**Buddha House - 2<sup>nd</sup> Position**

Zeba Chhota VII C  
Darshit Trivedi VII C  
Vaibhav Thakkar VIII B  
Nidhi Patel VIII B

**Gandhi House - 3<sup>rd</sup> Position**

Nandaja Nair VII A  
Viveena Rathi VII C  
Rachaita Warriar VIII C  
Ishan Trivedi VIII B

Std: IX and XI

**Shivaji House 1<sup>st</sup> Position**

Ansh Bhatt IX C  
Dhyey Upadhyay IX A  
Navesh Patel XI Sci. B  
Shivang Patel XI Sci. B

**Tagore House 2<sup>nd</sup> Position**

Tirth Patel IX B  
Bhavya Bhavsar IX A  
Namita Nagar XI Sci. B  
Varun Patel XI Sci. B

**Gandhi House 3<sup>rd</sup> Position**

Siddharth D. IX D  
Yakshita Kiri IX D  
Smit Dattu XI Sci. A  
Kushal Samani XI Sci. A

## Rubik's Cube Comp.



Bhavya Bhavsar IX A 1<sup>st</sup> Tagore House  
Tanay Tewar XI Sci. B 2<sup>nd</sup> Buddha House  
Shantanu D. XI Sci. B 3<sup>rd</sup> Shivaji House

## IT Quiz

Std:V A/B/C/D

**Shivaji House 1<sup>st</sup> Position**

Krutik Patel  
Sherwin Abraham  
Krish Shah  
Helly Dixit  
Om Dave

**Tagore House 2<sup>nd</sup> Position**

Dwanit Shah  
Hitanshu Purohit  
Karan Ummat  
Maahi Shah  
Zuveriya Memon

**Buddha House 3<sup>rd</sup> Position**

Vatsala Shah  
Miraj Doshi  
Dhruvi Kasturiya  
Smit Christian  
Dev Barai

Std: VI A/B/C/D

**Shivaji House 1<sup>st</sup> Position**

Nihar Shah  
Malav Kanani  
Tisha Tewar  
Heer Patel  
Nisarg Fadia

**Tagore House 2<sup>nd</sup> Position**

Darshit Shah  
Tithi Dangarwala  
Pratham Shah  
Varun Patel  
AkshayL.

**Gandhi House 3<sup>rd</sup> Position**

Dhimahi Thakkar  
Priyanka Das  
Yagna Patel  
Aastha Purohit  
Rishikesh Nair

## IT Quiz

Std:VII A/B/C/D

**Tagore House 1<sup>st</sup> Position**

Lisa Keshariya  
Yashvi Doshi  
Vidhi Joshi  
Kirtana Nambiar  
Henna Kapadia  
Bhavya Joshi

**Gandhi House 2<sup>nd</sup> Position**

Khushi Panchal  
Viveena Rathi  
Vidhi Sampat  
Gautam Narang  
Sunidhi Mungra  
Nandaja Nair

**Shivaji House 3<sup>rd</sup> Position**

Rishit Daru  
Dhruv Shah  
Stuti Dosh  
Nirmit Patel  
Tanay Deo  
Pranshu Shah

Std:VIII / IX / XI

**Shivaji House 1<sup>st</sup> Position**

Jugal Lad VIII  
Shashant Asnani VIII  
Ashiti Mori VIII  
Maharsh Shah IX  
Harshil Agrawal XI  
Nitav Shah XI

**Gandhi House 2<sup>nd</sup> Position**

Vraj Shah VIII  
Prakhar Srivastav VIII  
Nakul Mistry VIII  
Saakshi Patel VIII  
Harshit Malani XI  
Rohan Pandya XI

**Buddha House 3<sup>rd</sup> Position**

Khushi Parikh VIII  
Gagandivya Chauhan VIII  
Amish Patel VIII  
Shashwat Tare IX  
Nandan Kalaria XI  
Neel Patel XI

Experience



My name is Khushi Rane  
I am talking about Sports day  
I like sports very much  
There was Sports day in our school  
I did a lot of practice and first time  
I got a gold medal in hopscotch  
I am very happy and my parents are proud of me.

- Khushi Rane I B

True Charity



During the Winters, when Gandhiji was in England, an incident had occurred. Despite the severe cold Gandhiji wore no shirt. A small girl who came there for a visit, offered Gandhiji a shirt. Gandhiji told the girl that one was not enough for him. He wanted 40 crore shirts. The girl was puzzled. At home, she told her father about the incident. Her father explained that 40 crore shirts were for the poor of India. Until they were properly clothed, Gandhiji would not wear a shirt. This story shows Gandhiji's love for the poor of this country.

- Pal Soni II C

My Existence

I am lost in the the wilderness of

existence,

My untiring endeavours to achieve my dreams and ambitions, led me to never ending paths.

Torn between ,to be or not to be I missed the music of nature, Oh! My true self The breath will end , the entity will cease, but the mad race for accumulation will never end.

We are what people perceive us to be , It's time to peep into my self, my true self

That is blissful.

- Nanda Ma'am Std : 1,2

I And My Friend



My friend and I  
We play together  
We sing songs together  
We talk together  
My friend and I  
We read and write together  
We laugh together  
We are best friends  
And friends forever  
My friend and I.

- Mrugansh Parmar I C

My School



My school is like a green garden. I love my school. My school is very neat & clean. All the teachers are very good & intelligent. They are very sweet & polite. They help us every time and they are always there for us. My class room is very colourful. I feel like it is my room. In my school there is discipline. I love my school & teachers. My school is amazing.

- Aman Pathan I B

What Plants Need??

Plants need sun and plants need showers

Plants need weeding by the hours

Plants need soil to put down roots

Plants need time to send up shoots

Plants need air and space you know

With all these things they are bound to grow.

- Parth J. Suthar I E

Aerostic Poems



M-Maintain ,manage , myself  
A-Always, achieve, award  
N-Namaste, need ,  
N-Nice, notice,  
E-Each, easily, education  
R-routine, read, regular  
S-soft, show, school

M-Make, motivate, manage  
O-Ornament, own, organised  
T-Treasure, talent, tulip  
H-honest, heart, honey  
E-expert, expensive, easy  
R-rose, rise, Reshma

- Divyana Balooch I D

Super Market



Our town has a huge super-market  
My mum took me there yesterday  
She gave me my own special basket  
I could buy I liked; she would pay.

I began with a small bag of peanuts,  
Then I popped in a chocolate cigar,  
A packet of chips of all sorts,  
Some mints and a giant candy bar.

I took biscuits all chocolate coated  
From the counter a bit further on;  
There were cakes but the ones with the cream ;

I am sorry to say, had all gone.  
My mum paid the bill, as she'd promised,  
And smiled as if nothing was wrong  
But next time she goes shopping, I think  
She's not likely to take me along.

- Zainifatema P. I B

Mother



My mother is the need of the family.  
She loves to make food for the family.  
She helps the family members all the time.

She also helps me with my studies and then at night  
She tells me stories.

She takes me for a walk in the garden and for shopping.

The best medicine in the world, is a mother's hug.

- Maitre Limbachiya I A

The Bear And The Two Friends



Shyam and Ram were good friends. One day they were passing through the forest. On their way, they saw a bear coming towards them. Shyam ran and climbed up a nearby tree. Ram didn't know the skill of climbing trees. But he showed his presence of mind. He had heard that wild animals don't hurt the dead bodies. So he lay down still on the ground. He closed his eyes and held his breath. The bear came to Ram. He sniffed his face and thought that the man was dead. He went away. When the bear was out of sight Shyam came down from the tree. He went to Ram and asked, "What did the bear tell you in your ear?" Ram replied, "He told me to keep away from selfish friends like you."

- Krishita Patel II A

Achievements



Nimit Chudasama II A  
Jainam Modha I B  
won the second position for RPSC inter academy football tournament 2014-15.  
Pawani Bhatt - I B won the third position (U-9) at Vadodara Dist. Chess Selection Tournament.



Aaryan Mehta I E  
Theertha Pillai I B  
Aashka Majumdar I B



Heer Tailor I A  
Divyansha Arora I A  
Grason Christie I A



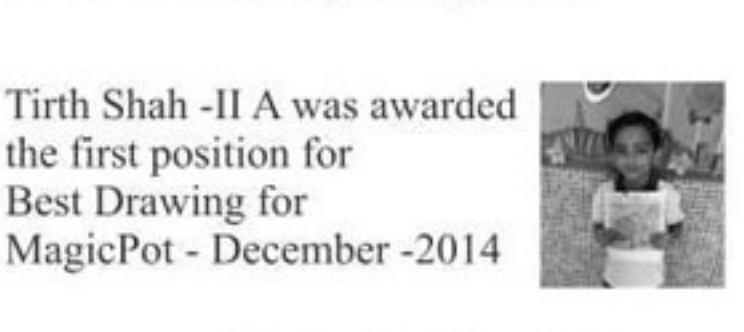
Swara Nambiar II C  
Vivikta Nair II D  
Diya Patel II E



Prachi Patel I B  
Delisha Nandha I E  
Hitul Patel I A



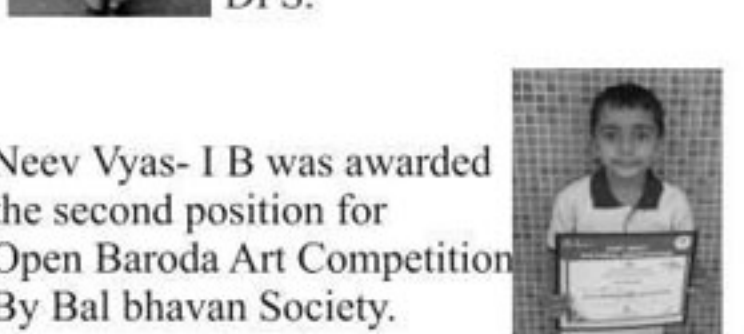
Nandita Somany- ID  
Was awarded the gold medal for speed skating at DPS, Bopal and another gold medal for the All Gujarat Skating Championship, 2015.



Tirth Shah -II A was awarded the first position for Best Drawing for MagicPot - December -2014



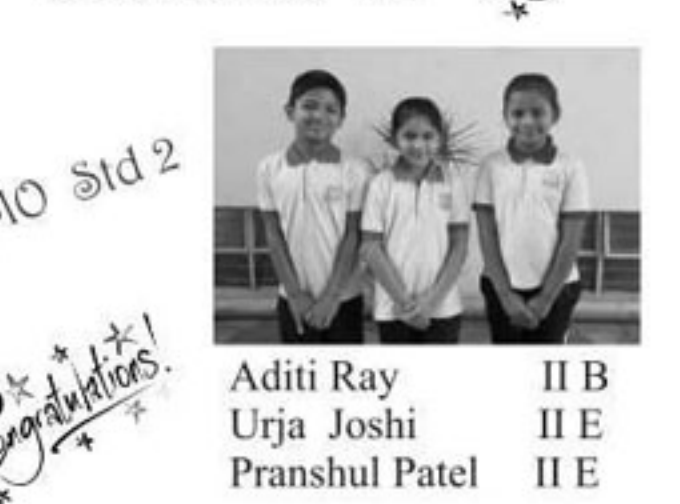
Krishna Thakkar - II B  
Has been awarded a gold medal for four hours continuous skating competition which was organized by BRG group at DPS.



Neev Vyas- I B was awarded the second position for Open Baroda Art Competition By Bal bhavan Society.



NCO Std 2  
Diya Patel II E  
Vrushti Shah II A  
Vivikta Nair II D



Aditi Ray II B  
Urja Joshi II E  
Pranshul Patel II E



Swara Nambiar II C  
Diya Patel II E  
Vrushti Shah II A  
Jil Bhatt II D

## If I Were a Primitive Man...



If I were a primitive man, I would go to the jungle and see all the wild animals without any fear, because of the weapons like spears and axes. While playing in the jungle, I would rub two stones to kindle a fire. I would tame a dog for guarding my house. I would also draw on the walls and spend a lot of time singing and dancing with my friends. It would be just like party time, for myself. I would travel from one place to another and keep my load on a sledge. I would even make a raft to travel by water. I would grow all types of fruits and eat them. I would make friends with all the animals, just like Mogli and Tarzan and enjoy with them. Life will be full of fun, if my wishes come true.

- Mansa Chainani III C

## A Memorable Journey



Last year, my family, decided to go to Shiridi for two days. My parents booked the tickets and all the arrangements were made. We all were very excited. We reached the railway station before time. Ah! At last, the train arrived. We got busy arranging our luggage. There was a big crowd of people. Some were waiting for their train, some were waiting for their dear ones. The train started, it was a big relief. We were having fun in the train, singing songs, playing scrabble and cards. After an hour, we noticed that my elder brother was missing. We were tensed. We called him up and found that he missed the train. The people in the train suggested to call him at the next station, before the train reaches. He came and boarded the train and we moved ahead happily.

- Jiya Pillai III D

## Importance Of Cleanliness



It's rightly said, 'Cleanliness is next to Godliness.' If there is no cleanliness, we can fall sick. Diseases like malaria, dengue and flu can easily spread in an unclean environment. If there is no cleanliness, we can have health issues like breathing difficulty, because the air that we breathe would be polluted. Our Prime Minister, Mr. Narendra Modi has started 'Swachata Abhiyan,' that is a cleanliness drive with a vision that each one of us should understand the importance of this mission and actively participate to make it successful. I think in a clean surrounding we can live happily. There would be no fear of illness. If there is cleanliness, no one can stop us from reaching our goal. We should promise that we will keep our surroundings clean.

-Vedant Shah III E

## Importance Of Education



Education plays an important role in shaping an individual's career. The level of education helps people to earn recognition and respect in the society. Undoubtedly education is both socially and personally an indispensable part of human life. Education is the only way to get knowledge. You can surely gain a lot of information by reading books. Education and learning is the most important process in today's society.

-Saini Jaiswal IV-B

## S.S. Exploration



On 19th January, 2015, it was our S.S. Exploration final round. I was selected for it. Last week we played Jigsaw Puzzles and Board Games. It was enjoyable. Treasure Hunt was the most exciting and interesting round. We searched for the treasure everywhere in the school but it was on the terrace. We ran and found it. It was so much fun. After the treasure hunt we went to the A.V room for the final round. There were many exciting games and rounds. Audio, Bingo, Assorted Platter, Visual Dum Charades, Rapid Fire were interesting rounds. The part of the picture given to us in the visual round was so easy. Gandhi House had attempted Assorted Platter as well. In Dum Charades I went to act. In the chit it was written, a fundamental duty to take care of public property. So I acted accordingly and the act required that I should throw public property. Manav guessed it right. Shivaji House did well in the Rapid Fire Round. I thought that Buddha House would win but they came second due to the surprise round where they were given a political map and some chits. We had to stick it in the right order and the group who came first to Ma'am with all the correct answers would be given 10 golden points. We won the 10 golden points. Our total score was 181. We were so happy. Anjali Ma'am distributed certificates. Nothing bored me in the quiz. Next time also I will work hard and be the finalist once again. This was the most exciting quiz.

- Tisha Patel IV B

Cleanliness is essential for all to lead a healthy life. A healthy environment is necessary if we want to be healthy. If the environment is dirty, it affects the health of the people. It is the responsibility of each and every human to maintain cleanliness for a clean and healthy environment.

Unfortunately, today many adults themselves do not set a very good example for the young generation. Smoking, chewing tobacco, spitting on the roads and side walks are very common in our society.

This requires several corrective and preventive measures. One of the best ways to have a clean environment is to plant more trees. Secondly pollution caused by the dumping of waste in the river should be stopped at any cost. Thus, the people are becoming aware of ways to have a good and clean environment.

## SLOGANS FOR A CLEAN SURROUNDING

"Don't be a litter bug, just give a tree hug."

"Keep it clean, keep it green."

"Keep your surroundings clean, make the Earth green."

"Don't litter it make the world better."

- Harsh Shah III D

Nowadays pollution is increasing at a fast pace. As a result, global warming is increasing and the condition is becoming worse day by day. To overcome these problems we should keep our surroundings clean. We should follow the mission "SWACH BHARAT ABHIYAAN". We should not throw garbage here and there. We should always throw it in the dustbin. This will lead to a clean surrounding. If the surroundings are dirty, then it would lead to many diseases.

"CLEAN INDIA;  
GREEN INDIA"



As we all know India is actively participating in the "Swachh Bharat Abhiyaan." Our school has also started the "Safai Abhiyaan" which we enjoyed a lot. We made posters on cleanliness, we cleaned the school. After cleaning the school, it was looking very neat and beautiful. At home we also keep everything clean. We went to our neighbour's house and told them to keep it clean. I made a cleanliness booklet and gave it to ma'am, she liked it so much that she passed it to our co-ordinator ma'am. We had a great time making posters. Some posters are kept on the bulletin boards of school and others are displayed in the class. I request you to please keep the surrounding clean. KEEP CLEAN!!

- Sonia Kanani IV B

## A Happy Home

Once upon a time in a village, there was a beautiful house, near a waterfall. It was a lonely place. The house was empty for years and nobody dared to go there as it was called a 'Scary House' by the villagers. One fine day, a boy named Manu was passing through this place. He was enchanted looking at the beauty of the place. The view attracted him so much that he decided to go into the house. It was beautiful and neat from inside too. Manu went home with a plan in his mind. Next day, he called all his friends and gave them the address of that house. He invited them for his birthday party. At last, the day arrived. All the friends were waiting for Manu outside the house. Manu was unable to make an arrangement as he was busy with some household work. He was feeling ashamed when he reached and saw all his friends there. They all asked him to take them inside. When he opened the door, to his surprise the house was already decorated. There was a table in the center with a lovely cake on it and other eatables like pizzas, burgers, sandwiches, frankies and what not. In a while the lights went off and the candles lit up. The birthday song started to play. Manu was very scared because it was all happening on its own, but everyone were enjoying. They danced, sang, ate, and played. 'The Scary House' turned out to be 'A Lucky House' for them. They all went home happily. Manu never came to know who did it but he thanked the house for giving him so much happiness. After that day, every week Manu visited that house.

- Zainab Shaikh, Tvisha Chauhan III B

## Helping Others



Friends, helping others is the greatest thing we do in our life, because if we help others they also help us some day. I also help my friends whenever they are in need. Once I helped my friend, Sharman in school. During a shortbreak, Sharman realized that he forgot his lunchbox at home. He was sitting in one corner and was crying. When I saw him, I asked him why he was crying. He told me that had forgotten his lunchbox at home and was feeling very hungry. That day I had brought grapes. I shared some of them with Sharman. He was very happy and thanked me.

So friends we should always help others.

"Real kindness seeks no return."

- Devarsh Lakhani III A

## Oh! A Sunday!

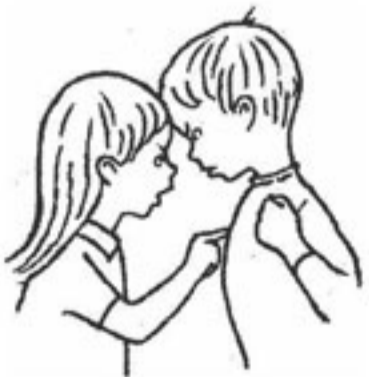
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SUNDAY  
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On Saturday night, I was very happy as the next day was Sunday. I decided to get up late, relax, have a big breakfast, water the plants, wash my cycle, have an oil bath and watch television. Next morning, I got up and to my utter surprise, I saw that all my family members finished all their morning chores. Slowly I walked to the washroom and started brushing my teeth. Just then my mother entered my room, and in an angry voice said, "Next week your FA starts, so finish all your work and sit for revision." I finished my work fast and was all set to study.

When I opened my English notebook, I discovered that my work was incomplete. I thought I will finish it later. Then I opened the math book and started revising my tables. I could not remember anything. I thought Hindi will make me relax and started searching for my Hindi book. In the process, I found a Champak and was so much engrossed reading it, that I forgot about the FA. Suddenly, I felt a hand on my shoulder and I realized my mother was watching me since long. She was frowning. She sat with me and made me write all the lessons of the FA. syllabus. It was 6 p.m. and all my friends were playing but 'poor' me. I was busy writing and writing. Then my music teacher came. She made me practice for a long time. Now it was 9 pm. I did not have any stamina or interest to do anything else. And I could not recollect what I studied the whole day. I just wanted to roll on my bed and go to sleep. Such was my 'relaxed Sunday.'

- Sruthi S. III B

## The Quarrel Between Me And My Friend



We sometimes have quarrels with our friends for many reasons. It might be over a very small issue. We sometimes fight for pencils or erasers and many other things. A few days back, I too had a quarrel with my friend, Heli. We kept our lunch boxes on a chair and someone kept a toy lizard in the box. When we opened the boxes, we were scared but then we came to know that it was a prank played on us, by someone. We started blaming each other for it and that was how the quarrel began. But then we realized that it was Shreya who did it. We said 'sorry' to each other. This incident taught me a lesson that we should not blame others, before we have proof.

- Drashti Patel IV B

## Gujarati Handwriting Competition



Devarsh Lakhani	III A	1st
Parth Thakar	III A	2nd
Hiya Patel	III A	3rd
Zainab Shaikh	III B	1st
Tanvi Gandhi	III B	2nd
Dev Patel	III B	3rd
Suhanee Yadav	III C	1st
Karthik Nambiar	III C	2nd
Mansa Chainani	III C	3rd
Drashti Agrawal	III D	1st
Manav Parekh	III D	2nd
Harsh Shah	III D	3rd
Vedant Shah	III E	1st
Sampatti Dave	III E	2nd
Mantra Patel	III E	3rd

## Science Quiz (Std 3 & 4)



Manushree Patel	III B
Karthik Nambiar	III C
Riya Pillai	IV C
Shivanshi Bhatt	IV C

## Spelling Bee (Std 3)



Sruthi Sureshkumar	III B	1st
Zainab Shaikh	III B	2nd
Diya Vassa	III B	3rd
Tanvi Gandhi	III B	1st Cons
Reeva Rana	III B	2nd Cons
Devarsh Lakhani	III A	2nd Cons

## Spelling Bee (Std 4)



Shivanshi Bhatt	IV C	1st
Prerita Shukla	IV C	1st
Heta Dave	IV D	2nd
Drashti Patel	IV A	3rd
Manav Solanki	IV C	1st Cons
Nandini Thakore	IV D	2nd Cons

## Math-e-Match(Std 3 & 4)



Khushi Shah	III A
Ridham Joshi	III D
Nandini Thakore	IV D
Vraj Shah	IV A

## S.S. Eploration (Std 3 & 4)



Vansh Amin	III A
Devarsh Lakhani	III A
Manav Solanki	IV C
Tisha Patel	IV B

## IT Quiz (Std 3 & 4)



Prerita Shukla	IV C
Nivedita Gajjar	III E
Astha Shah	IV A
Karthik Nambiar	III C

## GAP Quiz(Std 3 & 4)



Manav Solanki	IV C
Tisha Patel	IV B
Devarsh Lakhani	III A
Sampatti Dave	III E

## English Extempore Competition



Stuti Shah	III D	1st
Karthik Nambiar	III C	2nd
Vatsal Mori	III E	3rd
Janvi Shah	III D	3rd
Ved Vyas	III D	1st Cons
Sampatti Dave	III E	2nd Cons

Varun Varadarajan	IV A	1st
Manav Solanki	IV C	2nd
Jaydev Chandarana	IV D	3rd
Arav Shah	IV D	1st Cons
Janak Mistry	IV A	2nd Cons

## Gujarati Story Telling Competition



	1st	2nd	3rd
III A	Riddhi Thakkar	Khushi Shah	Devarsh Lakhani Vansh Amin
III B	Diya Vassa	Pranshu Shah Tanvi Gandhi	Shrey Patel
III C	Kashish Solanki	Krishkumar P.	Silvi Bhavsar
III D	Harsh Shah	Charmi Patel	Stuti Shah
III E	Vedant Shah	Vatsal Mori Rudraksh Fanse	Sampatti Dave

## Tug of War



Devarsh Lakhani(3A), Parth Thakar(3A), Yashrajsinh Jadeja(3B), Arya Patel(3B), Himanshu Maheshwari(3C), Heet Patel(3C), Vrajgiri Gosai(3D), Dhruv Tiwari(3E), Nishil Patel(4A), Daksh Dave(4A), Sheelraj Gohil(4B), Manthan Patel(4B), Manav Solanki(4C), Rishit Kesaria(4C), Purab Gajjar(4D)



Sunidhi Sampat(3A), Nimayi Bartake(3A), Tanvi Gandhi(3B), Sruthi Sureshkumar(3B), Zakiyah Khan(3C), Neel Joshi(3C), Patel Krupa(3D), Stuti Shah(3D), Sampatti Dave(3E), Darika Pania(3E), Shaivi(4A), Drashti Patel(4A), Saini Jaiswal(4B), Brinda Mandavia(4B), Tithi (4C), Purvee (4C), Heerak(4D), Dhrumi(4D)



	1st	2nd	3rd
IV A	Shrey Dave	Drashti Patel Maulik Joshi	Nishil Patel
IV B	Moh. Farzan	Tisha Patel	Harshvardhansinh G. Manthan Patel
IV C	Shivanshi Bhatt Prerita Shukla	Kajri Rawal	Divya Patel
IV D	Heta Dave	Tanisha Patel Krisha Patel	Jaydev Chandarana

## Hindi Skit Competition



III A	Anushka Desai Krisha Patel Khushi Shah Navneet Nair Srujan Patel
IV D	Khushi Chokshi Krisha Patel Nandini Shah Rudra Shah Sudair Bhaisaheb Meghraj Nair Sagarsinh Rajput

## Oh! Lord

Oh Lord! Show me the way  
to stay tough in this world.  
Where truth and love are  
endangered.

Where money is the supreme power.

Oh Lord! show me the one  
who understands me  
and knows the value of  
love and care.

Oh Lord! Bless me with powers.  
to withstand all evils  
and to lead a good life  
in this complex world.

- Jeeya Panchal V B

## My Father



He is the one who taught me to  
walk, and told me to sweetly talk.

He explained, Let success be complex,  
But by having confidence

you can go beyond the fence.

He told that the world is wicked,

Be brave, else you will erase.

He taught, 'Satisfaction is the greatest  
wealth of man' and achieve that if you  
can!

He told me to become emotionally strong  
which is not at all wrong.

He is the one who sacrificed a lot for my  
victory.

He is someone very great...

- Dhruvi Khatsuriya V D

## Truth Is Wealth



Truth is power, truth is true wealth,  
Truth is the ultimate strength.

Truth makes our soul the king  
and makes the angels in heaven sing.

Truth is joy, and sunshine,  
Truth is heart's pristine sheen.

Truth is true friend if we side with it,  
and deadliest, if we stand against it.

Truth strikes terror in law-breakers'  
heart

and breaks the heart of those who go  
short of it.

For truth is all, truth is tall,

No noble soul ever refrains from its call.

Truth is might, truth is true light,  
truth is a path which is always right.

- Devshree Thakkar V C

## 'Oh' My Mom



Oh! My mom you are my mentor,  
In this world I have no better.

Oh! My mom you are my mentor,  
When I was young you helped me grow..

You taught me everything I should know

Oh! My mom you are my mentor.  
Things you taught me

Everything was with a lot of care.

My mother you are so dear to my life  
You are always near.

Oh! My mom you are my mentor,  
You always have a tender smile

to guide my way with a lovely smile.

Oh! My mom you are my mentor.

- Urmi Gajjar V B

## An Autobiography of A ...

## A Rose



I am a lovely, pretty red rose. I make the garden very beautiful. Everybody in this world likes me and my fragrance. Even though my plant has thorns, I go on smiling. I am available in many colours. In fact I add colour to the decoration during any occasion. I am made into a garland to adorn God and also the newly married couple. I am placed on dead bodies too. I am generally believed to be the symbol of love. Because of my exquisite fragrance, I am also utilized in making perfumes. I had many friends like the Sunflower, Marigold, Juhi and Mogra, but unfortunately, every morning a gardener plucks one of us. I was afraid that some day my turn would also come. Yesterday was my unlucky day. The gardener plucked me and put me into the basket along with my friends. They were all transformed into a garland for lord Shiva but I was left alone. I was afraid. Finally when I reached the temple, to my astonishment, I was placed on Lord Shiva's head. I was proud of myself for gaining this important position.

- Vatsala Shah V A

## A Beautiful Day



There's not a cloud today

Just the sky blue

As the sun shines bright

It feels so new.

As you walk down the street.

You can see smiles from all around

It looks like everyone

Has come to the town

To enjoy the summer's day

And let time stand still

For a little while

Just until...

- Jhil Patel V A

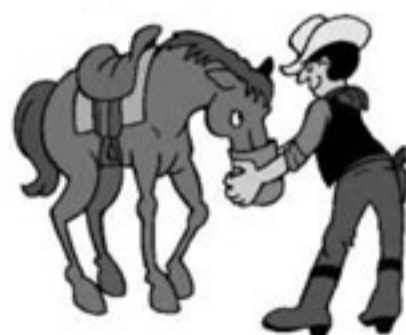
## Win....Win....



It's not a new thing to say that everyday comes with a challenge, just as opportunity does. So do not miss accepting challenges and try to avail opportunities. Start the day with thinking of what new can be learned, explored or accomplished. Channelize your energies in achieving things which you haven't explored out of fear or indifference. Confronting these challenges will let you see life in a different light everyday.

- Aastha Shah V A

## Beauty Of A Horse



On the stable where the nights are gay,

Bright horses change night into day.

Not only the White Beauty that is fair,

But equal is Black Beauty,

that is a mare.

Running around like waves of the sea,

Their sound excites me.

On the stable where the nights are gay!

- Aditya Pillai V D

## A Pen



I am a pen. I was manufactured in a huge company in Anand, then I was brought to Baroda. I was sent to a shop named 'A to Z' I stayed there for many days and was finally sold to a teacher. The teacher was very nice and took very good care of me. I was her favourite pen and she used me very frequently. After using me she put me in her pen stand, where all her favourite pens were kept. She took me everywhere with her. But one day some guests came to her house and one of them was a mischievous boy who took me and threw me into a dustbin. After that I was never found.

- Chintan Trivedi V A

## Cleanliness



As we all know that our style of living is based on how our surroundings are. Cleanliness serves a very important part of our life. Our physical health depends on the cleanliness of our body. As we know that dirt is 'the mother of all diseases.' Many diseases are caused by our own dirty habits and our own surroundings. A person who cannot wash and wear clean clothes will never feel good. Today, there are civil laws to promote cleanliness. We all know about the SWACHH BHARAT ABHIYAN started by Gandhiji and continued by Narendra Modi in India. It has gained popularity and people are now becoming conscious of the movement. Cleanliness leads to a healthier environment and a healthier life. So each one of us should be our own guide and join hands to uphold the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan.

- Purva Shah V D

## Calendar

April						
1	2	3	4	5	6	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

Calendar, calendar, calendar  
How sweet are you my calendar.

You consist of days,  
months and dates

And what should I say about  
your growth rate!

You make me learn,  
You make me yearn,

You prepare me for challenges.  
You tell me about special occasions.

You are made by the  
Movement of sun, moon and planets

That changes you every year  
And that in turn changes days

around the sphere!!!

- Hemangi Jadeja V A

## My School



Different colours of my school

Six days in a week

And various ways to speak,  
Good morning! Welcome, Thank,  
You! Well Done! are the words,

Which help me a lot.

There are different activities in  
school

My favourite is to play on the  
ground

STKABIR SCHOOL is the  
best school forever

I love you, my school!

- Dweeti Bhavsar V A

## My Little Brother



I play with my lovely sister everyday,  
Now I have a naughty little brother too  
We love to play with him every single  
moment.

He is the naughtiest of all.

His chubby cheeks are as soft as cotton,  
His cute little hands are always waving  
towards us.

He makes us laugh with his innocent  
funny ways,

It's our happiest moment whenever he  
smiles.

He is as scared as a kitten,

But wants to try each and every thing.

He loves to copy us.

He even loves to walk like us.

He is my dearest brother.

- Nishi Jaiswal V A

## Dreams



Dreams are our imagination  
Dreams teach us to wonder  
and dreams are

Those on which we should ponder  
Dreams give us confidence and make us  
Determined to reach our aim!  
And we often reach our aims  
which give us Fame....

Dreams give us wonder and joy!  
Still it is not a toy!!

Dreams are filled with emotions and  
some even with promotions  
Dreams teach how to live and to joyfully  
give!

Dreams gradually take shape, and they  
are as sweet as grapes.

- Vency Bhavsar V C

Art Is For Everyone



Art is for everyone,  
not for the selected one.  
Anywhere and anytime we can dance,  
we don't have to find a chance  
There is also an art of music,  
Which is also a nice choice to pick.  
There is also an art of creativity,  
Which is the part of an activity.  
There is also a unique art of reading,  
which if able to do so, we will be leading.  
Art is for everyone,  
Not for the selected one.

- Aarya Parikh VI B



Indian Army Soldiers

Defender of borders,  
I salute to the Indian soldiers,  
Words can never describe,  
A soldier and his sacrifice.  
They put on hold their dreams and lives,  
They die so that we can survive,  
They are the most disciplined persons,  
On them depends, the security and stability  
of our nation.  
They are the true sons of the country,  
Who fight to protect us from all the enemies,  
They are the real hero of the nation,  
Serving their motherland is their only  
passion.  
Whether it is blood freezing cold,  
Or the searching sun's ray,  
They are always there for protecting us,  
without any holidays.  
Whether the icy wind or the storms,  
They face all the challenges like the rocks,  
They are pride of our nation,  
Their life is a source of inspiration.  
We are grateful to the mothers,  
Who give birth to these brave soldiers....

- Yagna Patel VI C



Freedom

Freedom is independence,  
On nobody's dependence.  
The fact of having liberty,  
The fact of being free from captivity,  
Is the fact of having freedom,  
Is the fact of having your own kingdom.  
Freedom from overburdened studies,  
For some time to play with buddies.  
Freedom from a heavy backpack,  
Lifting it, feels as if on the shoulder there's  
an attack,  
Freedom from higher than skyscraper  
expectations,  
Let peacefully live the god's tender creation.  
Freedom from a dirty surrounding,  
Let's start resounding.  
Freedom from quarrels without reason,  
Peace and brotherhood everywhere, may it be  
any season.  
Freedom from pollution,  
Which seriously needs a solution.  
Freedom from disrespect of culture,  
To improvise the country's picture.  
Freedom from child labour and prohibition  
And make place for education,  
Which needs the support of the whole  
nation's organization.  
Freedom from poverty,  
To end the misery.  
Freedom from corruption,  
With a lot of development in quick eruption.

- Tisha Tevar VI D

Caring Parents Love



Do you know my parents,  
Children start dreaming before they  
are born,  
I too had dream,  
Sad and miserable ... It was.

I would be alone in the whole world,  
I would be the one and only in the  
whole world,  
No one to care for me,  
No one to look after me.

But then, when I opened my little  
sight,  
I came to know that there is someone,  
Who cares for me...

There are some people,  
Who give me their love,  
There are some people,  
Who give me everything I desire.

They give me a smile,  
Which makes me smile,  
They have such confidence,  
Which makes me confident.

They were you, my parents,  
Who fulfilled all my dreams.

- Mann shah VI A



Rivers

Rivers running along the side,  
Fishes swimming deep inside .  
Water running all around,  
getting meat of fish for a pound.  
Full of water all year long,  
Containing fishes like king kong.  
At the end meet with a sea,  
That's the thing that fascinates me.  
Greenery at its bank,  
Its real, to be frank,

- Ashaka Shah VI B



My Dreams...

My dream is to fly, over the rainbows  
so high,  
Ruling the world is my dream,  
Opting chemistry as my stream.  
I want to be like Edison,  
And also a mathematician.  
I have promises to keep,  
To sail under the oceans so deep.  
I wish to climb the Everest,  
To be called the person so bravest.  
For I know, I can fulfill my wishes,  
From tiger's roar to snake's hisses.

- Ridhima Suthar VI C



Smile Is A Cheer

Smile is a cheer from you to me,  
The cost is nothing, it's given for free.  
They console the weary and gladden,  
the sad.  
And can make someone happy when,  
they are sad.  
Unlike blessings in which we pray,  
It's the only thing which we keep it  
when we give it away.

- Mudra Patel VI D

Tata Building India Articles



"So great is the effect of cleanliness upon  
man that extends even to his moral  
character". These lines are said by  
Benjamin Thompson. It is therefore of  
paramount importance to include  
cleanliness in every aspect of our life.  
Cleanliness should not be restricted to  
clean our body and our homes but also the  
mission should be spread to have the entire  
nation clean.

- Priyanka Daspurkayastha VI D  
3rd Position

Cleanliness is the most common word we  
hear nowadays and probably this is the  
reason why we are discussing it. So, what  
is cleanliness? It is a state of nation, state of  
surrounding or state of one's self. If you  
look in any religion, cleanliness is given a  
lot of importance. Researchers say that  
cleanliness gives peace of mind, clarity of  
thoughts and increases efficiency and  
capacity to work. "Charity begins at  
home". The lesson of cleanliness is to be  
learned from our own house, society,  
school and streets. If everybody starts  
thinking in that way and start acting on it,  
it's not a difficult task. Our P.M  
Mr. Narendra Modi has started so many  
programs to bring cleanliness in our nation  
and bring awareness about it. All these  
programs are useless without help of  
common man. To make a place dirty is  
very easy, but to clean it needs a lot of  
efforts. So, prevention is better than cure.

- Hiranya Dave VI B

Cleanliness means keeping one's mind,  
body and surroundings clean. If we try to  
keep our mind clean then we will be able to  
clean our body and to maintain the  
cleanliness of ourselves. We will start  
cleaning our surroundings which will lead  
to the cleanliness of our nation. Dirt is the  
mother of diseases. A person, who never  
cleans himself, carries with him a big bag  
full of diseases. Cleanliness is one's  
precious possession, It is a part of our  
civilization.

- Taushifa Shaikh VI B

Dads- Our trusted soldiers



There is no doubt that mothers play an  
important role, in the lives of their children  
and they do become the obvious heroes of  
child rearing. But I also believe that fathers  
too play an important role as mothers.  
Fathers acts as a supports in the  
developmental and emotional well-being  
of a child. Dads are the solid foundation of  
our lives. They are the strength. They are  
our walls of security. Dads can be tender,  
tough, fragile or powerful but they shower  
the most unconditional love we ever know.  
Dad is the first adorable person for most of  
the daughters. He can playfully educate  
the child, can teach the values of life,  
truthfulness, respecting other's and their  
opinion, love and care for one another and  
lot more. He helps in exploring the world.  
Co-operation of a father with a mother  
teaches the child to be a responsible child.  
So it is rightly said – Dads are the trusted  
soldiers and we need you more than you  
will ever realize.

- Aastha Purohit VI A

Never Give Up...



Never give up,  
cause HE is always there,  
Never give up,  
anytime anywhere,  
Never give up,  
cause He is always there,  
Remember God is always by your side.

Rain may be falling,  
and lightning fills the sky,  
but the bright sun will rise,...  
God is by our side.

Wind may blow around me,  
and thunder may go boom,  
dark clouds will surely disperse,  
and light is shining through.

The lesson to learn is simple,  
never give up the fight,  
whatever happens in life,  
push forward with all your might.

Never give up,  
a couple of more times again,  
and ignore the pain,  
cause He is always there....

- Nishtha Nanani VI A

The Race Of Fashion



Coloured hair, cell phones, Spike cuts,  
micro minis and no more salwar kameez.etc.  
This is the current fashion scenario. Today  
everyone is influenced by the race of  
fashion. People have now become more  
fashion conscious. The fashion fever is  
reaching heights day by day. Today  
everyone wants to follow the latest trends  
and be called trendy. They follow the new  
and latest trend in order to receive  
everyone's attention. But is it necessary to  
look beautiful in order to be attractive?  
Doesn't internal beauty of a person matter a  
lot to us? Internal beauty doesn't reflect how  
much fashionable you are but it shows the  
way you carry yourself in a society. It is your  
social grace, what really matters. This easily  
makes you to be the centre of attraction. So,  
instead of striving to catch upon the latest  
fashion and trends, one must make an effort  
to enhance ones knowledge and improve  
ones communication skills. A beautiful  
mind will automatically reflect and enhance  
your personality.

- Samruddhi Khatri VI A

Winter



Winter has me in such delight,  
With warm blankets in a chilly night.  
To play with snow flakes,  
and to snake away on frozen lakes.  
To eat hot steamed food,  
With warm hug from mum and  
firewood.  
To sip from hot steamy drink,  
with skating in big and cold drink,  
Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas,  
To go in the midnight mass.  
To wait before the summer dawn,  
Shrinking with laughter before taking a  
yawn.

- Oshin Mankodie VI B



### Annual Concert... Entertainment Galore!

The Annual Concert, **IT'S SHOWTIME** was held on 30<sup>th</sup> December '15 for Std. 5 to 12 was a blockbuster entertainer. It relived the principles of Democracy: **OF THE CHILDREN, BY THE CHILDREN, FOR THE CHILDREN.**

The theme **IT'S SHOWTIME** revolved around Indian Cinema, which has an affinity to real life and hence appealed to the audience. Time and again Indian Cinema has extolled the virtues and social issues like respect for elders, emancipation of women, love for the country etc. Life lessons had been aesthetically portrayed in the concert via a vis music, dance and the performing arts. The theme widely appealed to the audience.

The two young alumni, chief guests added lustre to the show. The traditional lighting of the lamp, accompanied by a Ganesh *stuti*, set the tone for the day. The *Jugalbandi* performed by the young drummers provided a lively beginning. Melodious songs coupled with a harmonious blend of musical instruments created waves, along with the star-studded performance of the dancers adorned with gorgeous attire livened up evening. The actors gave a special tilt to the stage with their fiery dialogue delivery.

**IT'S SHOWTIME** really turned out to be a super entertainer!



### Annual Concert... Mk.. Mera Kartavya!



The Annual Concert for Std. 1 to 4 was held on 4<sup>th</sup> April '15 at Sir Sayajirao Gruh.

It is said that more powerful than a thousand armies, is the idea whose time has come. A time in which we seek the idea to revive the tenets of Gandhi that so easily sound solution in a troubled world... a world born into independence so many years ago, and can perhaps work in the world today. But where is Gandhi? Do we wait for the rebirth of our messiah?

The protagonist of this production, MK assured that Gandhi is still alive today - we just need to dig deep to bring forth the innate goodness, truth, peace, ahimsa and the committed sense of duty; of service before self **Mera Kartavya**. The production urged each one of us to strive towards a clean and green India, where sanctity of thought, mind and actions prevail.

The overwhelming performance by the children mesmerised the audience with a powerful message of "Be the change you wish to see in the world"





## The Aim Of Education



The main aim of education is all-round development of a student. Its purpose is to develop a student into a full, whole and an integrated person. Thus the objectives to be achieved through education and training are many and comprehensive. Education helps in achieving and developing skills, abilities, insights and scientific temperament. Besides development of literary and aesthetic appeal of education, there are utilitarian aspects as well and they are equally important. Education aims at developing and bringing out the best of the students inner personality, without neglecting the outer and material aspects. Education also makes the person capable to stand on their own feet, to earn their own bread and butter. An educated person is supposed to face the challenges of life bravely and successfully. No person can be called educated if he or she fails to make a meaningful contribution to the society and towards the country.

- Nirali VII C

## School



School is a favourite place for everyone  
Along with studies there's lots of fun  
There is a lot to learn  
And knowledge to earn.

You can make many friends  
For fun there is no end.

A place where different cultures blend  
And there are also many trends.

A school is not a preparation for life  
But for me it's, itself a life.  
Teachers teach us many lessons  
And also let us follow our passion.

They are not as strict as anyone  
There are many opportunities to be won.  
We have to maintain discipline and  
cleanliness  
So you'll have all the happiness.

- Asmi Bhatt VII C

## Taliban Attack In Pakistan Army Public School



I don't know why I feel sorry for them,  
Such foolish people who do this for fame.  
Also they commit the crime,  
Destroying their own and other's life.  
Attacking in their own country, who is  
of their kith & kin.  
Killing students and forcing several  
parents to grief.  
Stupid people I feel,  
I pray to god, to heal.  
To all those they have affected,  
'Cause I want them to realize what they  
do.

I'll not let them do this on my land,  
Cause at first it was also a part of their  
sand.

I respect their religion,  
God keep them safe.  
Blacks and whites all of the race.  
I still feel pity on them,  
For I wish that they create some feelings  
and emotions,  
At least somewhat that one day it  
prevents them from killing their own  
sons.

- Lisa Keshariya VII A

## If Trees Could Speak...



Jagdish Chandra Bose has proved by his experiments that trees have life just like animals and humans. They can feel love and care. They can respond to our behavior and to our talk. I wonder what would trees say, if they could speak! If they could respond to pain! If a tree could speak it would say, "ouch! It hurts me," if we pluck a leaf from it. It would scream in pain if we cut one of its branches. They would also suffocate in the polluted air coming from a chemical factory. Trees would certainly complain about their bitter enemy, man. They would tell of the countless murder of their kith and kin that the man has committed. They would never forgive man for such a cruel act of cutting them down only to build houses for themselves. It is the need of the hour for us to stop and listen their cries.

- Shivani Parekh VII C

## Friends



Who is a friend??? A friend is a person, whose company you enjoy. A friend is the one who is with you in good times and also supports you in difficult times. This is what really matters in a true friendship. Everyone flocks around a person who is going through a good period, though not all are his true friends. Only those who stay by his side during his difficult time are his 'TRUE FRIENDS'. That is what meant by the famous proverb-  
A friend in need, is a friend indeed"

- Aayushi Chokshi VII C

## Importance Of A Minute



Imagine that you have a bank account in which ₹ 86,400 is deposited daily in the morning and all the money gets deleted by the end of the day. Now what would you do? Well about me, I would use all the money in a day as I would get the same amount on the next day.

Okay! This was an example of our daily lives, as we all get 86,400 seconds daily till the end of the day. So, I request you all to utilize time as, "Time is money."

1. To realize the time of one year, ask a child who just failed the exams.
2. To realize the time of one month, ask the mother who just gave birth to a premature baby.
3. To realize the time of one second, ask a person who just avoided an accident.
4. To realize the time of one millisecond, ask an athlete who just won a silver medal.

So, I suggest you to not to waste time, and see the clip of the movie, "Kung Fu Panda" where the old turtle exclaims that, "tomorrow is a mystery, yesterday was a history, today is a gift that's why it is called a present".

- Tirth Thakkar VII D



## Green



Green is the color of the plant and trees  
Green is the garden where children can  
play

Green helps plants to make their food  
Green in the signal indicates that we  
can go

Green is color in plants which makes  
environment clean and pure  
Green is the color which gives me  
freshness

Green is the color of my bicycle  
Which I like to ride in evening.

- Dhairya Amin VII D

## A Heart Like A Jewel



We all know the importance of a mother in our life. Mothers are very important and play a significant part in a child's life. We learn different things from our mother in our life. Mothers always teach us and give advice which is beneficial for us. In return mothers also deserve something. If our mother does everything for us then its our responsibility to do something for her. They have a very important place in our life. We should be friendly with our mothers. We should respect her. Mothers heart is always very soft and patient. Mothers heart is like a rare jewel. They love their kids during the worst and the best of the time. All mothers love their children and want to see them happy. Mother is a great gift to us from god. No one can take place of a mother.

- Riya Shah VII C

## Cleanliness



'Cleanliness' - whenever we come across this word we think of things like brooms, maids, sweeping, garbage and many more things. Cleanliness means keeping everything clean and being clean yourself, too. Cleanliness plays an important role in the health of the people and also in the development of a country.

- Asmi Bhatt VII C

The growth of India is hampered due to the unhealthy habits of our people. Also the tourism in India is affected due to this. India is a popular tourist destination. Most of the people earn their living through tourism in our country. But due to the unclean environment of India many tourists prefer not to visit India. So we must maintain cleanliness in our country. Only then, India would be famous worldwide.

- Viral Barodia VII A

Looking forward towards the development of our country, the first thing that comes to our mind is cleanliness. Cleanliness is the basic necessity that one must develop. Cleanliness is now standing as a major obstacle in the way of our country's development. We all have to join our hands together and make our India a cleaner and a greener place.

- Divya Gandhi VII B

'Cleanliness' is a small word which means a lot. Cleanliness is an abstract form of being clean or tidy. Cleanliness plays a major role in national development so we make the people aware about cleanliness through plays, dramas, songs etc.

- Bhoomi Patel VII A

## The Havoc Of Monsoons



'On our very own earth there are three seasons. Each season has its own luxuries and pleasantness. Which make us admire or more commonly adore that season. But what if mother nature gets angry and shows its destructive force in a season, and what if that season is the monsoon, then its got to be a havoc.

Monsoon soothes and refreshes us but if its destructive nature showers on us, the humanity may extinct. Like recently in our very own city it has rained cats and dogs. This had resulted in flooding of the Vishwamitri river and water logging in many places. There was a loss to people in many ways like monsoon destroyed crops and people felt scarcity of food and water. There was also loss of properties worth lakhs of rupees. But this is its destructive nature and this can be prevented if we take steps to conserve nature. So please stop littering the neighbourhood and angering mother nature as her fury is far worse than beauty..

- Aryan Choksi VII D

## If I Can Make Changes...



Today the fast moving world is facing a lot of problems. Human beings are engaged in the rat race which is putting them in danger. One of the most prominent problem we face today is environment pollution. People just dump garbage on the mother earth and they do not wait and think for a moment what pollution they cause. For example I would like to point out what a big amount of paper we dump on our earth as waste? Can't we think of a way to recycle the paper and reuse it.

If we start 100% recycling of paper, almost all the people can get some extra money from the garbage. If we are rich enough that money can be used towards the development of the country. We can make a contribution towards the well-being of the society.

If I get a chance to make a change in the world it would be decreasing the rate of cutting down the trees by massive recycling of paper.

- Yaashvi Doshi VII C

## Soldier At The Border



If I die in a war zone,  
Box me and send me home.  
Put my gun on my chest,  
Tell my dad I did my best.

Tell my brother to study perfectly,  
Keys of my bike would be his  
permanently.

Tell my sister not to be upset,  
Her bro will never rise after that sunset.  
Tell my mom not to cry,  
Because I am a soldier who is born to  
die.

- Jay Shimali VII C

## Re-fueling Dreams



One of the biggest challenges of achieving goals is being able to stay focused long enough to see the results. Most of us feel excited and motivated when we first set our goals and that feeling only can carry us along for several days, or even weeks. But then, what happens? We begin to lose momentum. We get scattered, we lose the fire that once fueled our dreams. There can be many reasons for our waning interest, such as not seeing visible progress, and so we begin to feel that our efforts are a waste of time or we feel confused about steps we need to take to make our dream a reality. Since this is a common problem for many people, I am going to offer you some helpful tips to re-fuel your fire. First of all be clear about what you want. We should have a clear picture of the outcomes, in our mind. Secondly, be clear about why you want. And lastly, set a plan of action. The actions today are a direct result of your past thoughts and beliefs, which direct you to a certain result.

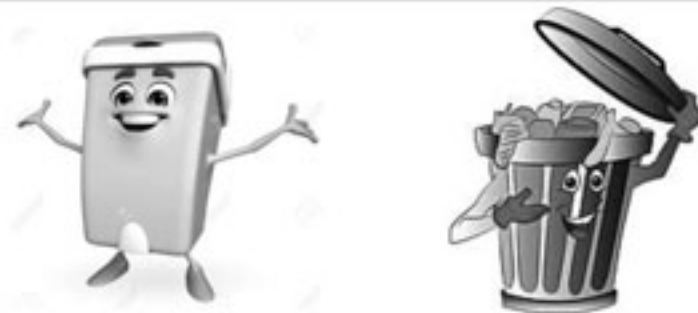
- Vidhi Sampat VII C



## The Gods Green Earth

'The god has provided us a beautiful planet earth. Our life is dependent on it. The oxygen we need, the carbon dioxide we release, it gets balance. We separate, we discriminate but it provides shelter and land to live in. It carries our load and never complains. It cares for us as a mother and gives meaning to our life. But we pollute it, harm it for our greed. The earth's bounty is sufficient for our every need but not for our greed. Our deeds and practices have become like a cancer for earth.

- Jugal shah VII D



## Excerpts of 'Tata Building' Essays



"It's always better to keep yourself clean and bright. You are the window through which people see the world." These lines clearly convey that when we become successful, we do influence the people within our radius. They may follow our ways of living life. Being healthy, hygienic, keeping our surroundings clean and sanitized, will inspire the people to follow us and do the same. They will in turn inspire others and ultimately everyone will contribute their bit to this cleanliness drive.

- 1<sup>st</sup> Position, Shashant Asnani VIII A

Cleanliness refers not only to the way we tend to our hygiene, but also how we maintain and cherish all aspects of our environment, which is within our control. Cleanliness is very important in our lives as it is associated with our progress. Our Prime Minister, Narendra Modi, has taken an initiative to deal with this burning issue by undertaking the 'Swachh Bharat Abhiyan'. This mission promotes the idea of practising a clean and healthy lifestyle, which would decrease the level of pollution and lead us towards a healthy future. This will help in saving resources which are utilized for the treatment of deadly diseases. People will be able to focus more on their work, as well direct their energy towards other productive things. Such a proactive lifestyle of the people, will lead towards the national development.

So remember friends, 'Stay Clean and Live Well.'

- Jincy Majmundar VIII A

My Shadow- The Soul of My Life.....



There is a dog named Shadow,  
He sauntered like a celebrity in the meadow.  
He is a German-Shepherd in black,  
Hangs on the sheet like a hero in a sack,

Starting with an 'S',  
Don't know whether it's for Saakshi or for Shadow.

Never creates any mess,  
Neither in the house, nor in the meadow.

Always wearing a locket in his neck,  
Always ready to go on a trek,  
Having a soft furry tail,  
Examines the farm and gives the mail.

He's more of a friend, than a dog,  
He can catch a thief even in intense fog.

He's in-charge of my meadow,  
Shall never forget that his name is SHADOW!

- Saakshi Patel VIII C

### The Year 3000

What do you think about year 3000?

Population will be in multi-billions, not in 1000's.

Schools would be on moon and homes on Mars,

Rocket will transport us instead of cars.

There would be no fear of notebook looters,

Because we would work only on computers.

Picnic spots will be built on stars,

All the work will be done by Robots.

But if all this happens in the year of 3000,

I wonder what will be left for the year 4000!

- Saloni Patel VIII B



For some, the phrase 'Clean India' is a complete irony. Since ancient times, the people of India have had various religious beliefs and supported the caste-system. They considered the 'Shudras' as untouchables and ill-treated them. Once, our country was known as the 'Golden Bird', but today inspite of the countless efforts of various organizations and campaigns the rigid habits of the common man of India have remained unchanged.

Recently, the 'Swachh Bharat Abhiyan' was launched by our Prime Minister with the revolutionary zeal, to encourage and motivate each citizen of India. Its objective is to spread awareness about sanitation, hygiene and to keep the surroundings clean as well as implement the challenging task of wiping away the dirt from the country.

- Aarohi Mehta VIII D

### A Terrible Visit To The Barber....



My mother was forcing me to take a haircut,

But when I refused, she made the doors of my mouth shut.

I decided to take one,

On a day with bright sun.

I came to the haircut shop,

And found a lady with a mop.

I sat on the chair,

And the barber began to cut my hair.

My hair started falling on my lap,

And feeling sleepy I took a nap.

I woke up with a start

And found that my haircut was a work of art.

At last I got up from the chair

And saw a poster of Garnier-with a note on it 'Take Care!'

- Divyang Mokariya VIII C

### A Scary Experience...



A scary and dangerous experience I have ever had,

When I think about it, it makes me mad.

A black night with bats flying around,

Hush! I think I heard a terrifying sound.

The street was so silent and scary, no doubt.

I suddenly started thinking about spirits and ghosts

'Cause that's what I fear the most.

I heard the footsteps of someone walking through the mist

Being scared I tightened my fist.

Suddenly I woke up with a scream

And realized it was just a dream!

- Gautami Desai VIII C

Cleanliness can be clearly defined as a symbol of the purity of mind. As a very common quote states that 'Cleanliness is next to Godliness', so a world without sanitation is as good as a world without god. Even after independence, the Britishers have always considered Indians to be uncivilized. However, people around the globe do see India as a strong country on the basis of its culture, tradition and ethics. We also have got many living legends who have made us proud every now and then with their glorious achievements. It is only the issue of cleanliness perhaps, where India is lacking.

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Position, Khushi Parikh VIII A

The almighty has gifted us with such beautiful and natural surroundings, which look prettier when they are kept clean. 'Cleanliness is next to Godliness' and this is an absolute truth. By keeping our country clean, everyone living in it will be able to reap its benefits. Along with the cleanliness of our surroundings, being healthy is also of equal significance. After all 'Health is Wealth', so we must take care of our health. If we are healthy and fit, lesser amount of money would be spent on medical issues and that money can be thoughtfully invested towards the development and progress of our nation.

- Keya Shah VIII B

Human civilization is characterized by some bare necessities of life. These characteristics help us determine whether a person or a nation is civilized or not. They are the religious and cultural beliefs, ideologies, social structures and cleanliness. Cleanliness is the state of being free from contamination and pollution. It can be achieved and maintained only if we cultivate a taste for it. The saying 'Cleanliness is next to Godliness' remains just a saying. People misunderstand that cleanliness is one way of becoming holy. However, it has a deeper value. Not only does cleanliness refer to spiritual purity and goodness but it also refers to keeping an eco system clean.

- Ishan Trivedi VIII B

### Does Growing Age Make You Feel Old?



It is said that white hair grows with wisdom. I do agree that *Growing Age* is a natural human phenomenon. I feel that you have to be a kid at heart and live life to the fullest. However gradually as you grow older, you crave for peace. Age gives us wisdom,

drowsiness, dizziness and wrinkles and that makes you feel and look old. So you should try to be young at heart. If you feel young from within, then none of the symptoms of growing age can make you feel old. So remember friends, 'Stay young and bid a farewell to your growing age.'

- Shubham Gupta VIII B



Growing age leads to physical as well as mental changes in the body. Science calls this process, 'Ageing.' But what interests me more is the other side of the coin. We live with an aim in life; a bull's-eye shot that makes us the richest. But due to some reasons the dart thrown, misses the target. But wait! That's not the end. After all as Swami Vivekanand said, "If you succeed, good, but if not, guide the others". That's when one becomes a teacher, who has enough white hair to guide you to success. But this does not make you old! Our heart is as young as an infant until we die! In fact with more experience, we get the encouragement not only to play the game of life with more vigour, but also gain victory in it. So, even when a 60-year old man can develop a childlike attitude, then friends, how does ageing make you feel old? We should try to discover new avenues and it is this curiosity that will keep you young at heart.

- Bhavya Raninga VIII B

## The Best Mirror Is An Old Friend



A day shall come,  
When all shall be gone.  
And there shall be only one,  
Whom you may rely on.

You may call him a friend.  
It is a beautiful relationship  
Which never has an end.  
This is nothing but true friendship.

A true friend can never be bought,  
He can only be earned.  
He eliminates all the bad we have got  
And makes our mind well-governed.

Friends are to be chosen with utmost care,  
As they are the ones who  
Teach us to help and share.  
So the mistake of choosing bad  
Company you NEVER do.

- Ansh Bhatt IX C



There in the sky, you see a butterfly,  
An angel from heaven up so high.  
An ugly caterpillar in her first stage,  
Then a pupa trapped in a cage.

With all her might she breaks the  
nutshell

The cocoon's thread woven in silk,  
we humans sell.

A creature so fragile and so tender  
You will never find her fooling  
around a vegetable vendor.

Roses are her favorite; she has Lilies  
for lunch,  
Jasmines for dinner but Orchids for  
brunch.

With the aroma of beauty and peace  
she flies.

Look! There in the sky you see a  
gorgeous butterfly...

- Heali Mehta IX B

## Butterfly



There in the sky you see a butterfly,  
Flying along with the breeze,  
Your majesty! greater than the waves of the  
seas,  
Making others marvel at your beauty with a  
sigh!

You are like a visitor from heaven  
Spreading joy like the sweetness of flowers,  
And bringing heights of happiness taller than  
the tallest tower,  
'You are a little bundle of magic!' remarked  
everyone.

Children admire you with glee,  
Your bright and colourful wings make  
your beauty shine...  
Like every other kid, I want to make you mine.  
Got to be on every flower I see!

- Palkan Motwani IX B

## Oh Visitor From Heaven, Have You Come To Visit Me?

Buttering gracefully without making a  
sound...

Whispering winds,

Brushing across your wings and whirling  
winds that surround

Too simple a word is grace,  
To describe the way, the beauty of nature, you  
embrace!

Adorning every flower I see,

Oh! visitor from heaven, have you come to visit  
me?

Your mesmerizing movements, hoping to catch  
my eye,

It seems you're bouncing off the walls, every  
time you fly!!!

The colours of your wings, black and green...

Fascinating every child, every teen!

Adoring every flower I see,

Oh! visitor from heaven, have you come to  
visit me?

- Preya Rana IX A

## Creations Of Nature



There is one thing I know  
That nature wants to bestow.  
To learn from the animals around  
That not to be pressure bound.

Be free as a bird

And reconcile like animals  
walking together in a herd,  
But try to be like a butterfly  
Freely flying in the sky.

It is at the same time static  
But watching it, makes me feel  
ecstatic

Its biography is very short  
From one flower to another it flutters

I'm not Wordsworth

Who truly admired the beauty of  
Earth

But thanks to him

Whose ideas helped me make this!

- Amruta Bhatt IX B

## Search



I don't know what's going on in people's mind,  
I don't know what are the answers that they  
want to find.

They are in search of something real, yet unseen.  
In search of a person they have never been,  
In search of a moment they would have always  
loved to spend.

In search of a person they would befriend.  
Well I am in search of the real happiness behind  
their pretentious laughter  
What are the drastic changes before  
and after?

This search makes us miss that moment we  
wanted to spend.

It makes us miss the person we wanted to  
befriend.

so stop searching my friend start to live  
This is life, there is less to take and lot  
more to give.

- Purva Gole IX D

## The Fun Fair Of 9<sup>th</sup> Standard

Each year our school organizes a fun fair for  
the multiple benefits of our school. The  
students as well made their plans and started  
working on it. The main aim behind this is to  
build business and marketing skills in  
students. The profit which is collected is  
used for a good cause. Students had put up  
food and game stalls. Samosas, sandwiches  
and frankies were some of the food items  
available. Games, tattoos and nail art stalls  
were also there. The class which collects the  
maximum profit is awarded with a  
certificate. The d-day was an exciting one  
for the students of Std 5 - 12 who visited the  
fair. The money collected was given to the  
class teachers who would calculate the  
profits and declare the winners.

- Maharsh Shah IX A

## And It Fluttered Gently In The Air ...



A small leaf dried and crisp  
Just fallen from the tree like wisp..  
Oh! I can go back to the tree  
Have fun there but can't be free..  
Never know where to go  
But lost in a motion of to and fro  
Let it not be crushed by anyone  
Let it shine in the glorious sun  
Wishing to join another fallen leaf  
It fluttered gently in the air..

- Yakshita Kiri IX D

## Three Reasons That We Do Not Achieve Success

It is very ordinary to find people who, when facing problems, decide that suicide is the best way to end their sufferings. What they are unaware about, is the inner strength that human beings, unlike cats and dogs, can enlighten it and achieve success. The most important thing is to believe in yourself that you have the spirit to achieve success. Also, it is important to know that you have the power to stop making excuses and uplift other downtrodden people into the world.

The Number One reason that we don't achieve success is because we resign ourselves to mediocracy so much, that we cease to believe the wonders humans can do. This situation is the problem with most people and the scientific word for it is 'GRIT'. Researchers say that the primary factor determining success is whether or not we have grit. Grit is defined as the ability to stay true to your vision and not get diluted when laughed at. Grit is that rare emotion among normal people, that allows them to experience failure and yet never back down. What the ordinary person sees as failure, the master sees as part of the process of refining their craft. If you come across a wall, you should push through it.

Secondly, the thing that influences your success is the company of people you are surrounded with. If you are surrounded by people unaware of their goals in life, no matter how hard you try, you will, become a no-good person without an aim. Their behavior and activities will definitely infuse with your activities and behavior and no matter how much grit you develop; you will never get salvation until you find success. You should, as one of my favorite authors, Robin Sharma, says, 'Build a pristine bubble around you and allow yourself to change your influence'.

Lastly not the least, always one should remember the importance of scheduling. One of the thoughts by an unknown person goes as follows; 'A man with talent and without a plan is like trying to save oneself from a pack of wild dogs with nothing but a twig'. All the ideas in the world do not work unless you start doing the hard work. What greatly influences your barometer of success is, how much you can sacrifice to achieve your goal. The only way to achieve success is by planning for it, for success doesn't knock at one's door; opportunities do. Cease yourself from believing that you are ordinary, and you will find yourself great. The hours that ordinary people waste, extraordinary people do something valuable. One of the final things is to appreciate life. Remember; Life is short. Even if you are busy with your work, somehow make time to appreciate God for the things he has provided us with. Express gratitude to the Almighty and he will shower laurels of success upon you!

- Rahul Khatri IX D



## A Mother's Love



After the effects of the earthquake had subsided, a rescue team arrived at the house of a young woman. They searched around inside the house, only to find debris everywhere. Finally, the leader of the team spotted the young woman through the cracks of the collapsed ceiling. But her posture was rather awkward. She was kneeling on the floor, as if worshipping in prayer and it seemed as if she was holding on to some object in her hands.

The leader of the team touched her cautiously, hoping that she was still alive. But her cold, stiff body told him that she had passed away. He resented this fact and moved on to search for the next building which had collapsed.

However, he was driven by a compelling force to return to the dead woman's house. He couldn't resist the urge to search the house once again. This time, while he was searching in the ruins of the house all of a sudden he shrieked "A baby! There is a baby in here!" The whole team helped in pulling aside the cracked pieces of the walls fallen around the woman. They were surprised to find the three month old, baby boy sleeping peacefully, wrapped in a warm blanket, in his mother's arms. The woman had made the ultimate sacrifice for her dear son. When she sensed that the ceiling was about to collapse, she used her back as a shield in order to protect her son.

A doctor was called, who immediately attended to the baby. When he opened his blanket, he found a mobile phone clutched in the baby's hands. The phone displayed a message on the screen which said, "If you survive, please don't forget that I love you and I will always be there for you." The mobile phone was passed around from hand to hand and everyone who reads it, ended up sobbing. Such is a mother's love for her child.

- Munazzah Hakim IX A

"Be like the diamonds, true and rare not like the stones, scattered here and there."

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## You Are The Only One



Today when I see myself confronting the mirror

I see a girl with her dreams clear,  
I know what's right and what's wrong,  
I know where I belong.

People hold onto things that are good for nothing,

For them, they sacrifice everything,  
But let me tell you this

No one cares, not even a bit!  
It's your thoughts and your vision that matter,

They will make you better,  
Courage is all you need to stand up again,

To wipe out tears and new life to begin.

Yes, I can see the change in me  
This is what I wanted to be!

A soul with enormous power  
On whom blessings always shower,

Calm in adversities,  
At ease in difficulties,

I am on the pathway  
Working on my life each day.

Doing what is essential,  
Tapping my highest potential,

Enhancing my personality,  
Living a life of tranquility.

Yes, the best is yet to come!  
Work has already begun,

This little girl will shine so bright  
That her dad will be happy with his head upright!

- Nehal Taneja XI Comm

My Angels  
And  
Demons

The world is a wonderful place to live,  
That's one thing I truly believe,  
But there are some demons in it too,  
Who make me doubt my thoughts too.

The most famous saying goes this way,  
"Water, water everywhere but not a single drop to drink"  
But I think that it actually says,  
"Human, Human everywhere, not a single one to trust to the brink."

People I know are mostly all demons,  
Why envy me?

I wonder I wish to shoot with a frown  
There are some like angels to me,  
Who always make me very happy.

Demons always stop others to do it right,  
They perform it right with all their might.

They are such selfish ones,  
They always kill me with tons and tons.

Angels always get me to do it right,  
Who never want me to lose in a fight.  
It took me quite long to find these angels  
After getting past through the fake facials.

Two angels who are always beside me,  
Are my greatest idols, a lovely couple.

The beauty, the lady, my mother,  
and the science king,  
The smart man my father.

My quest for angels will go on,  
I might have to say a good bye to some,  
But a good bye is not a "Bye forever"

"I will miss you till I meet you again."  
- Priyet Agrawal XII Sci.



## "Be True To Yourself"



Being true yourself is a life long practice that requires commitment, moment to moment, as you grow and evolve. When you are true to yourself, you are completely honest with what you feel, deeply value and desire. Always be true to yourself and to your feelings because those are the things in your life that will never lie to you. If you know and love yourself, you will find it effortless to be true to yourself. Just as you cannot love anyone else until you love yourself, you cannot be true to anyone else until you are true to yourself.

Be who you are! Have the dauntlessness to accept yourself as you are, not someone else thinks you should be. Do not take action or pretend to be someone else for the sake of gaining acceptance. But I believe that being true to yourself is something that is different for every person. Some people find it easy and have high aplomb and self esteem, whilst others worry about being judged. It is alright to be different and we should embrace our own individuality, rather than trying to conceal it. This is one of those times when something is easier said than done. No matter how you are living your life, no matter how different you are, no matter how you dress, no matter how successful you are, no matter how you look and behave, if you are genuine and unapologetic yourself, the right people will always respect you. Self-confidence plays a huge role in our ability to be true to ourselves. In order to be accepted by others, we must learn to accept ourselves by having confidence that being ourselves is a good thing. Rather than being the "sheep" who follows the latest trends and styles just to fit in, it is better for us to do what we want and enjoy ourselves. A great way to build our self confidence is to not worry about our flaws, as nobody is perfect, and focus on our positive qualities! You can expand your awareness and strengthen the connection with yourself through introspective practices such as meditation, yoga and journal writing. These practices help you become more present and establish reference points to identify, when you are not living in alignment with the deeper aspect of yourself. The more you practice, the easier it becomes to self correct when you are out of alignment. A lot of conflict you have in your life simply because you are not living in alignment; you are not being true to yourself. Abraham Lincoln rightly says, "I am not bound to win, but I am bound to be true. I am not bound to succeed, but I am bound to live by the light that I have. I must stand with anybody that stands right, and stand with him while he is right and part with him when he goes wrong." When you are not being true to yourself you may experience feelings of contraction and tension, uneasiness, disconnection, resignation, emptiness and discontentment or lack of fulfillment.

When you respect yourself, others will respect you. Don't fear their animosity because for them you are different, just be "YOU". Never look at those barking dogs. Be true to the very best that is in you and live your life consistently with your highest values and aspirations with alacrity. The road to success and the road to happiness are two lanes of the same highway, and the toll you must pay is simply being true to yourself. In life you will meet a lot of mean people. Just ignore them and do whatever you feel is right. Don't let anyone kick you down, but if they do, don't be afraid to pick yourself up and dust yourself off. Just believe in yourself, as the old adage says, "You don't die if you fall in water, you die only if you don't swim." So what others think of you is none of their business. Always stay true to yourself, because there are very few people who will always be true to you. You must listen to your conscience when you are faced with a choice, or a difficult situation. Our beliefs should be like sturdy trees that survive great storms- not weak stems that bend low with every passing breeze. In your strife of life, your beliefs will be challenged and your judgement will be questioned. You will often wonder, "Is this the truth or does it only seem to be the truth?" If you know in your heart that something is true, believe it, do not let others confuse you. Trust your judgement, even as you keep an open mind. "Finally, nothing is sacred except the integrity of your mind, says Emerson. Therefore lastly I would like to say that If you want to soar in life, you must first learn to FLY (First Love Yourself).

(Prize winning Essay ,SRM Essay Writing Competition) -Dhwani Makadia X C

How Cleanliness Triggers  
National Development

"Cleanliness and order are not matters of instinct, they are matters of education and like most great things you must cultivate a taste for them" Benjamin Oisrael said, "Cleanliness is the sole angel which can bring us out of our self-created mess. It can definitely annihilate all our problems in just one sweep."

On this note, we should be grateful to our Prime Minister Narendra Modi a great polarizing figure who proved to be a great evangelist of the revolutionary drive, "Swachh Bharat Abhiyan" On the other hand we should also be grateful to the sanitation workers who clean up our localities. The question that stands as a strong antagonist is that "Is cleaning up the country or our locality, the responsibility of sanitation workers and the newly appointed leaders? What about the citizens? Do they have any role?" We have to change this mind set.

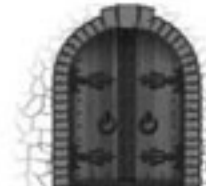
So let's give our attention to something we have ignored so far, but it is mandatory to begin with our locality and city first. "Sanskarnagri" Vadodara has also taken up the task of cleanliness and is striving to proliferate its effort for the noble cause. The funds allotted to carry out these drives are very meagre to be of any help. Vadodara is known for its opulent heritage which includes gates like Pani gate, Champaner Darwaza and Vavs like Navlakhi Vav and Sevasi Vav which are facing threats of dirt and filth depositions and large scale neglect. The condition of river Vishvamitri has been worsening since years due to the sheer neglect and lack of awareness on the part of Vadodara Municipal Corporation and the general public of Vadodara. The river has become a mere narrow rivulet passing through the city which was once the honour and pride of Vadodara and which was a full fledged river, worshipped by the people. Today the river faces threat of pollution, encroachment on its banks and deposition of filth and dirt along with silting, leading to floods during the rainy season. The other important water resource, the Sursagar lake in the heart of the city also has lost its past glory and shine. During the festive season, idols are immersed relentlessly and there are no steps taken to stop such mindless activities which is adversely affecting the lake and its existence. In fact the lake is fast depleting and narrowing due to pollution, illegal construction and silt deposition. These and many such wonderful places of Vadodara are facing a great danger of losing their originality and beauty. So what is the solution for such problems which are mainly man made ones? Well, I would say that progressive steps to prevent such activities should be taken.

Intensive campaigns should be undertaken for spreading awareness amongst people urging them to keep their city clean, by banning plastic and adopting environment friendly things. The "Youth Brigade" should become active and urge citizens to help Vadodara Municipal Corporation to clean up and maintain the city areas and sites. Activists should fight for important causes pertaining to environment. They should unite enthusiastically to sensitize people from all walks of life and pledge to take up brooms and clean up every nook and corner of the city. Let us make our city shining and bright.

(Prize winning Essay in Tata Building India School Essay Competition)

-Bhuvanewari Solanki XII Comm.

## The Secret Door



When I opened that secret door,  
My world didn't seem the same anymore.

I roamed round and round,  
But nobody was found.  
I exclaimed, "Where am I!"  
And tried to concentrate my mind.

Astounded, I ran here and there,  
but was not able to find a single  
mankind there.

I sat below the Blue Dome  
And sought more freedom.

Then a butterfly sat on my shoulder,  
And asked, "Why are you so bewildered?"  
I replied, "I lost my way home,  
And didn't understand, where everybody  
had gone?"

The Butterfly again asked, "Why are you  
disturbed?"

There are some creatures you can  
recognize.

But..... I awoke and found that,  
It was my dream about Amazon Forest,  
as I slept in a dream land!!

- Aboli Deval XI Comm.

A Little Fun Keeps  
You Young

A little fun keeps you young,  
A little laughter keeps you bright,  
When you get to that age,  
When a mid life crisis looms,  
Go out and act like a kid again.  
Don't worry what neighbours might say.  
They are probably crazy anyway.

Choose your hair-color, grow it long.  
Change your style and wear a thong.  
That will put some spring in your step.  
Or goose yourself to give you some pep.  
Don't worry what the neighbours might  
say.

They are probably crazy anyway.

Dance till the wee hours of the morning.  
Let loose, but don't get lost in the  
spring.

Smile, even if there's nobody around.  
Run, until you are nowhere to be found.  
Don't worry what the neighbours might  
say,

They are probably crazy anyway.

-Bharat Ramchandani XI Comm.

## My 15th Birthday

It was the morning of twenty seconds,  
When the place next to me was vacant.  
I came out lazily from my room,  
feeling like a flower that has bloomed.

To my surprise, no one was there,  
I thought that it was so unfair.  
It was the day of my 15th birthday,  
as though it would be my best day.

And there came the big surprise,  
Out came my friends and family,  
my biggest prize.  
There they were with my gifts and a  
cake.  
They hadn't forgotten for God's sake.

Oh! We had such a lot of fun,  
Outside in the yellow, blazing sun.  
And we were singing aloud a rhyme  
And I just wished that it lasted for some  
time more.

- Shantanu Dandekar XI Comm.



હૃદય



જ્યાં વસે છે હૃદય ત્યાં ભાવના નો છે દરિયો ,  
 હૃદય તો હર એક પાસે શેષ પણ કોઈ એ તેનો  
 ઉપયોગ ન કર્યો  
 જો આના ઉપયોગ થી યાય કોઈ નું સારું ,  
 તો હર કોઈ કહેશે સારું થાય તમારું”  
 જો તમારી પાસે શેષ મન  
 તો તમને સારો લાગશે લાલચું મહાજન પણ  
 હૃદય નું શેષવર્ક કરે માહી અને તે  
 હર એક ના જીવન માં આપશે એક મોડો  
 સારી વ્યક્તિ માટે જોઈશે સારું હૃદય અને સારી વાણી  
 તે શેષ તો તમને હર કોઈ માનશે રાજા કે રાણી.  
 મન તો આપણું ક્યાંય પણ ફરજું  
 શ્રેષ્ઠ વિશે કશું પણ કહેશે  
 જો દેશ ને રાખીએ સાફ તો હૃદય પણ સાફ રાખવું પડે  
 ત્યારે જ આપણને આ જીવનમાં સફળતા મળે  
 જ્યારે કોઈ સમસ્યા નું શોધવું શેષ ફળ  
 તો હૃદય ને પૂછશો તો તમને મળશે સારું ફળ.  
 -વિમલી ઠક્કર - ૬ ક

શેરી નાટક



નવરચના વિદ્યાની દ્વારા આયોજીત શેરી નાટક માં ધોરણ ૩ થી  
 ૯ નાં પંદર વિદ્યાર્થીઓએ ભાગ લીધો હતો. આયોજીત શાળા દ્વારા  
 ચાર વિષયો આપવામાં આવ્યાં હતાં તેમાંથી પસંદ કરેલો વિષય  
 હતો:- ' બાળક કરે પોકાર' પહેલીવાર આંતર રાજાકીય સ્પર્ધામાં  
 ભાગ લેનાર વિદ્યાર્થીઓના મહેનત અને ઉત્સાહ થી આ સ્પર્ધામાં  
 તેઓ પ્રથમ સ્થાને આવી શાળાને અનુપમ વિજય નો સ્વાદ  
 ચખાડ્યો છે. આ સ્પર્ધામાં ભાગ લેનાર બાળકોને ધન્યવાદ.  
 તેમજ ધોરણ ૯ નો વિદ્યાર્થી ધર્વેરાજ જાડેજાએ પણ વક્તૃત્વ  
 સ્પર્ધામાં ભાગ લઈને દણજીજી રુપિયાનું રોકડ ઇનામ મેળવીને  
 શાળાને વિજય અપાવ્યો હતો. તેને પણ શાળા પરિવાર તરફથી  
 ખૂબ ખૂબ અભિનંદન.  
 - ગુજરાતી વિભાગ

પ્રીતનું વૃક્ષ



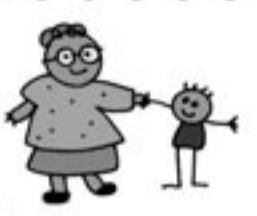
આપણી પ્રીતના બીજને વૃક્ષ બનાવીશ,  
 વિશ્વાસ અને વફાદારીના બળદને જોતરીશ,  
 મુજ મનની આ ધરા ખેડીશ,  
 પારદર્શકતાનું બીજ રોપીને  
 જાત ધસી, નાખીશ  
 પ્રેમ ને લાડનું ખાતર નાખીને,  
 પરસેવાથી સિંચન કરીશ,  
 દુ:ખદર્દનું નિંદામણ કરીને  
 ફુંક અને મમતાની વાડ કરીશ  
 વિવેકી મધુરી વાણીનો છંટકાવ કરીને  
 શ્રીશુની જેમ પ્રીતના બીજનું જતન કરીશ  
 તમે જાવ છો તો સુખેથી જાવ  
 તમારી પ્રીતના બીજનું જતન કરીશ.  
 - સાક્ષી પટેલ - ૮ ૬

દિનચર્યા



સવારે ઊઠી જાઉં કું વહેલો કું  
 નાહી-વોઈ લઉં પહેલો.  
 રિક્ષાવાળો મારો જો આવે મોડો  
 શિક્ષકનાં મારનો ડર લાગે થોડો.  
 શાળાથી યાત્રીને કું ઘેર આવું  
 ભૂખ લાગી શેષ એટલે ઝડપથી ખાઉં.  
 ઊંઘમાં પછી સ્વપ્નો સજીવું  
 અનિદ્રાએ ધરકામ કરવા ગોઠવાઉં.  
 સાંજ પડતાં જાઉં કું રમવાં-ભમવાં  
 ત્યારે મેદાને આવે ગાયઘાસ ચરવાં.  
 આવે મજા ઘણી તેને ભગવાવમાં.  
 અંતે ઘરે આવી બેસું કું જમવાં  
 દક્તર ગોઠવી બેસતો ટી.વી જોવાં  
 આંખો ત્યારે મારી માંડે પાવાં ઝોલાં  
 ઊંઘ આવતાં ગાદલાં લાગે ડૂનાં પોલાં.  
 - રિષિત દર - ૭ અ

મારી માવડી



રાત રાતભર જાગી મને સુવડાવતી ,  
 ભૂખ લાગતાં પ્રેમથી મને ખવડાવતી.  
 એવી પ્રેમાળ મારી માવડી..  
 માગું તે આપતી, મનની વાતો સમજી જાતી.  
 બાળક થઈ સંગ મારી રમતી.  
 એવી પ્રેમાળ મારી માવડી..  
 ઢસતે મુખે સઘળા દુ:ખો સંકેતી  
 ક્યારેક ભાવનાના વમળે વહેતી.  
 એવી પ્રેમાળ મારી માવડી..  
 સાડી ચંપલ બુટ્ટી પહેરી,  
 આખીય દુનિયાની સુંદરતા તેના મઠી.  
 એવી પ્રેમાળ મારી માવડી..  
 - કશીશ મોદી - ૭ અ

પ્રેરણા



મારા એક ગુજરાતીના શિક્ષિકા ,  
 તેમણે મને આખી ત્રણ વર્ષની પ્રશિક્ષા,  
 તેમનું નામ છે સુનિતા મેમ,  
 તે રહેતા સદા કેમળેમ,  
 વિચારું છું આપવા તેમને એક કેમ  
 તેમણે આપ્યો છે મને ઉત્તમ પ્રેમ  
 કારણ કે તેમણે આખી મને શિક્ષા  
 એટલે જ કું જીવનની પાસ કું પરીક્ષા  
 તેમનું દિલ છે ખૂબ મોટું તે બોલતા નથી ખોટું  
 તેઓ છે મારા માટે સોનાવરણી ,  
 તેમણે ફેરવી મારા મનમાં નિર્મળતાની સાવરણી,  
 તેમને જોઈને મેં પેન ચલાવી  
 તેમણે મારી શાળામાં મારી કીર્તિ કેલાવી.  
 - દેવાંશ ભટ્ટ - ૬ ક

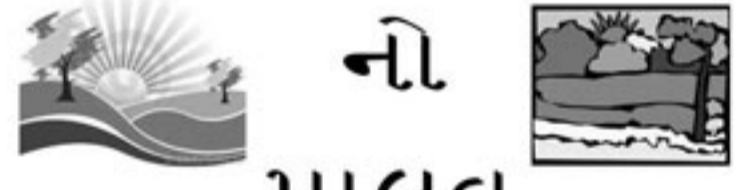
આવી વસંત



બહારની બનીને આજ આવી વસંત,  
 મધમધતી મંજરીઓ લાવી વસંત  
 પાયલ રણકાવતી ને સંથો શણગારતી  
 પાલવમાં પ્રીતભરી આવી વસંત.  
 ફેરે સુંગ્રહ ફૂલ વાયરાની સંગ  
 ફાગણના કેસુડા વેરાયા અંતરંગ,  
 જોબનિયું અંગોમાં લાવ્યું વસંત

મદમાતી માનુની ભૂલી પડી છે આજ,  
 વરણાગી ટકુકાની રાણી ખીલી છે આજ,  
 રંગો છલકાવતી આવી વસંત,  
 વેણી ગુંથીને પછી ગજરાઓ લટકાવી,  
 ધૂંધટ કાઢીને પછી આછેરું સરકાવી,  
 મુખડું મલકાવતી આવી વસંત,  
 મધરાતે રાધાને ભણકારા વાગતા ,  
 માધવના પગરવના અણસારા લાગતા,  
 વેણુ વગાડતી આવી વસંત,  
 - વિનિ જાલા - ૮ ૬

પ્રકૃતિ



નો પાલવ  
 અદભૂત સુંદર છે આ જીવન આપણું  
 જો મનઝા માણીએ ન તેની તો તે શું કામનું?  
 મધુર મીઠી ફવા ચાલે કરતી સન..ન..ન..ન  
 મદ-મસ્ત ગરજ વાદ ધન..ન..ન..ન  
 ઉગમણી સૂરજ લઈ આવે જીવનમાં પ્રકાશ  
 ઉત્સાહ ઉમંગ થી વધારે જીવવાની આસ  
 અસ્ત યતાં સૂરજ બાદ આવે છે ચાંદલો  
 ફેલાતી ચાંદની નાં ચંદરવામાં રહે ના કોઈ માંદલો  
 ફરિયાળી પ્રકૃતિનું પાંદડું આપે પ્રાણવાયુ  
 જીવવાની વધારી દે આપણી આયુ  
 બુદ્ધિના બળિયા જાણી લે આ વાતપ્રકૃતિ છે નામ એનું આપો  
 એને સૌ સાચ  
 - તિષા તેવાર - ૬ ૬

કાળું ધન



આપણાં દેશમાં કાળા ધનનું પ્રમાણ ખૂબ વધી ગયું છે. લોકો  
 કાળાધંધો કરીને સરળતાથી ધન મેળવે છે. લોકો કાયદાને અનુરૂપ  
 નથી ચાલતાં અને સરકારને એમની કમાણી માંથી કચુપણ આપતાં  
 ખંચકાય છે. આજે લોકોમાં ધીરજ ખૂટી ગઈ છે. લોકો મહેનત કરી  
 પૈસા કમાવવા માટે અનુચિત કાર્યો કરે છે. લોકો ભયંકર સ્વાર્થી  
 બની ગયા છે. સરકાર આટલાટલી સુવિધા પ્રદાન કરે છે તોપણ લોકો  
 કર ભરતા નથી. વીજળીનાં બિલ નાં મીટરો સાથે પણ છેડખાની કરે  
 છે. આવી છેડખાનીઓને કારણે વીજળીનું બિલ ઓછું આવે. આબધી  
 વસ્તુઓને કારણે દેશની આર્થિક સ્થિતિ માં ઘટાડો થાય છે. આ  
 કાળું ધન સમાપ્ત થવાની જરૂર છે. આ કાળું ધન એક મોટામાં મોટો  
 અવરોધ છે. આની શરૂઆત આપણા યુવા વર્ગથી જ થવી  
 જોઈએ. આમ કરવાથી આપણો દેશ સમૃદ્ધ બનશે.  
 - દેવ દેસાઈ - ૭ અ

સુવિચાર



'નરકમાં પણ શ્રેષ્ઠ પુસ્તકો શેષ તો કું તેનું સ્વાચર કરીશ. કારણ કે  
 એમાં એવી શક્તિ છે કે જ્યાં પણ તે ફરે ત્યાં સ્વર્ગ જેવું વાતાવરણ  
 ઊભું થશે.'  
 -લોકમાન્ય ટિળક  
 'સારા પુસ્તકો તમારી પાસે શેષ તો મિત્રોની ગેરજાજરી ખટકતી  
 નથી. જેમ જેમ પુસ્તકોનો અભયાસ કરતો ગયો તેમ તેની વિશેષતા  
 મને સમજાતી ગઈ.'  
 -મહાત્મા ગાંધીજી  
 'તમારી જાતને તમે ગમે તેટલા વ્યસ્ત ગણતાં શે તોપણ , તમારે  
 વાંચન માટે સમય કાઢવો જ જોઈએ. અથવા અજ્ઞાન ને ફલાલે તમારી  
 જાતને કરી દો.'  
 -કન્કયુશિયસ  
 'જૂના કપડાં પહેરીને પણ નવાં પુસ્તકો પરીદો.'  
 -પ્રસ્ટિન ફિલ્સસ  
 'પુસ્તકોનો સંગ્રહ એજ સાચી યુનિવર્સિટી છે. માનવજાતે આજસુધી  
 જે કાંઈ કર્યું ; વિચાર્યું ; અનુભવ્યું ; જોયું તે બધું જાદૂની પેઠે પુસ્તકોમાં  
 સમાયેલું છે. જેણે પુસ્તકની શોધ કરી તેને અસંખ્ય ધન્યવાદ.'  
 'પુસ્તકોનો સાચો ઉપયોગ કરવો એટલે તેમની પાસે મદદ માંગવા  
 જવું, જ્યારે આપણું જ્ઞાન અને આપણી શક્તિ નિષ્ફળ જાય ત્યારે  
 પુસ્તકોના શરણે જાઓ. આપણા કરતાં વધુ વિજ્ઞાણ દષ્ટિ અને વધુ  
 શુદ્ધ ખ્યાલ સાથે એઆપણને દોરશે.'  
 -જશ્વન રસ્કિન  
 'ઊઠો, જાઓ અને ધ્યેયપ્રાપ્તિ સુધી મંડયા રહો.'  
 -સ્વામી વિવેકાનંદ  
 -સંકલન -થી ૯

બાળપણ



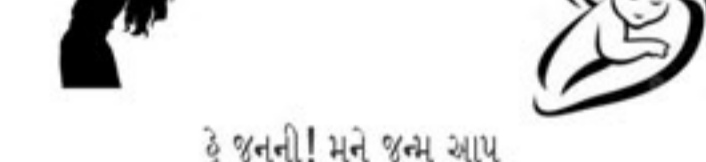
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 શેષ છે. બાળપણમાં બાળક ખૂબ નિર્દોષ અને નિખાલસ શેષ છે.  
 તેને રમવામાંથી ફરસદ નથી ભેટી. રમત, ભૂખ અને જીદ આત્મણ તો  
 જાણે તેમની પ્રાસિચત બની જાય છે. આ જીવનકાળ દરમિયાન તે  
 પોતાના માતા-પિતા વડીલો નો ખૂબ પ્રેમ મેળવે છે. તેની હરકતો  
 બધાને આનંદ આપનારી લાગે છે. ખરેખર, બાળપણ એક સોનેરી  
 લ્હાવો છે. કહેવાય છે કે બાળપણ એકવાર ગયું તો પાછું આવતું નથી.  
 બાળપણમાં મળેલો માતાનો પ્રેમ અને ઘરનાં લોકોનો સ્નેહ આખી  
 જીંદગી સુધી યાદ રહે છે. માતાનાં ગાયેલાં એ શબ્દરડાં પિતા એ શય  
 જાલી પકડેલી આંગળી આપણને ફુંક આપે છે અને જીવન જીવવાની  
 રીત શીખવે છે. બાળપણ વીતી જતાં કદા તેની યાદો રહી જાય છે. જે  
 પ્રમાણે સાપ ગયા પછી લીસોટાં રહી જાય તેમ. માતા-પિતા પણ  
 તેમનાં બાળપણને પોતાનાં બાળકોમાં નિહાળે છે. બાળપણ સાચે જ  
 આપણો સુવર્ણકાળ છે.  
 -વેબવી સોની - ૭ અ

કર્મ



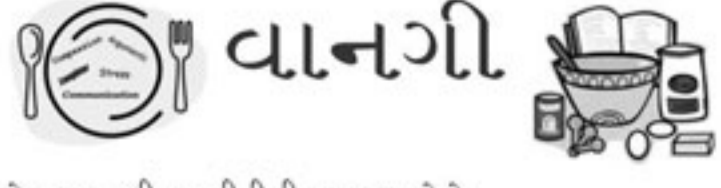
કયું સત્કાર્ય ફળવો કરશે,  
 પાપનો બોજ તારા.....  
 એવું વિચારી નીકળી પડયો ,  
 ઓ મનુષ્ય , તું માર્ગ પર સારા.....  
 છતાં પણ ક્યાંય રે ના મળી શાંતિ ,  
 ખોરંભે ચડેલા આ મન ને તારા .....  
 કારણ .....  
 સમજી ના શક્યા ભવની ભાવટમાં,  
 અટવાયેલ આ જનો સારા.....  
 છતાંય કયું અનુમાન એવું કે .....  
 ક્ષેત્રું કર્મ નથી શકતું. ઊંડી કોઈને.  
 સ્વયં સીતાપતિ પણ વર્ષો તેને.....  
 તો કે મનુષ્ય પામર .....  
 વાવેલા ભાવળીયા પર સુંવાળપ મખમલની,  
 શોધવા જતાં મનને આ તારા.....  
 ભાવ તું કરેલા કર્મ ને  
 પ્રેમથી ભોગવવા સારા.  
 -પ્રતિમા પુરોહિત શિક્ષિકા, પ્રાથમિક વિભાગ

હાલનો દરિયો



કે જનની! મને જન્મ આપ  
 મને મારીને કરીજના પાપ  
 મારે પણ આ,  
 કલકલ વહેતા ઝરણાં,  
 ખળખળ વહેતી નદી,  
 અને ધૂધવતા દરિયામાં ન્યાવું છે.  
 કે મૈયા! મને પણ આ પૃથ્વીની સુંદરતા જોવા દે  
 મને પણ,  
 આ રંગબેરંગી ફૂલોની સુગંધ માણવા દે,  
 ઉડતા પતંગિયા પાછળ ભમવા દે  
 કે જનની મને પણ જીવવા દે.  
 મારે પણ,  
 બચેનદી પાલ ની જેમ આકાશનો આંબતા પવેત ચઢવા છે  
 કલ્પના ચાવલા ની જેમ અચકાશમાં ઉડવું છે  
 અને ઈંદિરા ગાંધીની જેમ દેશ ચલાવવો છે  
 મા! મને પણ આ જીવન જીવવાની તક દે.  
 કે વિધાતા! દીકરી નહીં શેષ તો કોણ બનશે  
 માં, બહેન કે પત્ની  
 મા, મને તારા આંચલામાં સમાવા દે,  
 કે જનની! દીકરો તો યશ પ્રરાયો  
 પણ બન્ને કુળને દીપાવતી  
 દીકરી તો રહેશે સદા બ્રાહ્મી  
 કારણકે દીકરી તો છે બ્રાહ્મનો દરિયો  
 - નદિની દિવેદી - ૯ ક

વાનગી



એક તદન નવી વાનગીની રીત આ પ્રમાણે છે.  
 સૌ પ્રથમ એક કિલો પ્રેમ લઈ તેમાં બરાબર બસો ગ્રામ સ્મિત  
 ઉમેરો. આથી ચડી રહે પછી એમાં ચાર ચમચી વિશ્વાસ અને વીસ  
 ગ્રામ જેટલી સહનુભૂતિ તથા પા લીટર સચ્ચાઈ ઉમેરો. જે મિશ્રણ  
 તૈયાર થાય એને બરાબર ઘૂંટીને ઘટ થવા દો. પછી એમાં એટલાજ  
 વજન જેટલો આનંદ રેડીને ઠીક ઠીક સમય સુધી વેરાગ્યના  
 રેફ્રિજરેટરમાં મૂકી રાખો. થોડા કલાક પછી યોગ્ય કદના ચકતા પાડીને  
 શનુઓ તથા મિત્રોમાં વહેંચવા માંડો. આવી સ્વાદિષ્ટ વાનગીનું  
 નામ છે , જીવન .  
 -સંકલન - ૯ બ

## थेटी देश का कल



घर की शान है वेटी  
जीवन का सूरज है वेटी  
कभी माँ बहू पली है वेटी  
कभी देश की जागृत नागरिक है वेटी  
जीवन का अहम हिस्सा है वेटी  
पावन गंगाजल है वेटी  
नकारने वाले हैं अंधे  
आनेवाला कल है वेटी  
क्यों लोग उसको नहीं समझते  
सब की निर्माता है वेटी  
तो आओ शपथ लेते हैं हम  
देंगे वेटी का साथ हरदम।

- निशी दलाल 9 द

## वचन की यादगार

### घटना



वचन में मैं एक बहुत शांत और चुप रहना पसंद करने वाली लड़की थी दूसरों से अलग होकर मुझे बातें सुनने में ज्यादा आनंद आता था। एक बार हमें स्कूल में कविताएं सिखा रहे थे। सब बच्चों को जॉनी जॉनी और टविकल टविकल जैसी कविताएं याद हो गई थी। परंतु मुझे उन्हें याद नहीं करना था। मेरी माँ मेरे लिए कविताएँ और सी डी खरीद कर लाई ताकि मैं कविताएँ याद कर सकूँ फिर भी मैंने कविता याद नहीं की। मैंने भी मन में टान लिया था कि मैं किसी की बात नहीं मानूँगी। तंग आकर माँ ने मुझे गुस्से में पूछा तुम क्यों नहीं इन्हें याद कर रही हो। मैंने शांत भाव से माँ से सच कहा। मुझे लगता है कविताएँ याद करने से हमें जीवन में तभी फायदा होगा जब हम जीवन में इनका अनुसरण करें, बाकी तो सब दिखावा है। मेरी माँ मेरे मुँह से ऐसी बात सुनकर आश्चर्यचकित हो गई।

- आरोही मेहता 8 द

## मकरसंक्राति का त्योहार

भारत के त्योहारों में मकरसंक्राति का बड़ा महत्व है। यह त्योहार हर साल 14 जनवरी को मनाया जाता है।

ज्योतिष की गिनती के हिसाब से इस दिन सूरज मकर राशि में प्रवेश करता है। इस दिन से सूर्य की गति उत्तर की ओर रहती है इसलिए इस त्योहार को 'उत्तरायण' भी कहते हैं।

सूरज जब मकर राशि में होता है तब भारत में जाड़ें की ऋतु होती है। जाड़े के कारण हमारे शरीर में खुश्की बढ़ती है। इसलिए इन दिनों गुड़ में तिल मिलाकर खाने के लिए कहा गया है। यही कारण है कि मकरसंक्राति का त्योहार 'तिल गुड़' के साथ मनाया जाता है।

इस दिन लोग अपने रिश्तेदारों में 'तिल गुड़' या तिल गुड़ से बने पदार्थ बाँटते हैं। तिल स्नेह और गुड़ मिठास का प्रतीक है। इसका मतलब है जीवन में स्नेह और मिठास दोनों का होना जरूरी है।

मकरसंक्राति पतंग का पर्व है। अहमदाबाद सुरत मुम्बई जैसे शहरों में मकरसंक्राति के दिन पतंगवाजी की धूम मच जाती है। आकाश रंग विरंगे और तरह तरह के पतंगों से छा जाता है। मकानों की छतों पर काफी चहल पहल रहती है।

- जेनाली दवे 8 अ

## मेरी माँ

आपने मज़बूत रखी है हर रिश्ते की डोर  
आप है वो पहली सूरज की किरण जो गिरी मेरी ओर

आप ने हर कदम पर कुछ नया सिखाया  
आप जैसी नहीं पर बन सकती हूँ आपकी छाया

आप की कड़वी बातों में भी छुपा होता है प्यार  
आप हर मुश्किल के लिये हो तैयार

आप के लिये मेरा प्यार बढ़ता है हर दिन  
असंभव है जाना आपके विन

आप की हर बात लगती है अनमोल  
जब होती है आप दूर तब पता चलता है आपका मोल

आपने जो भी किया उसके लिये कम है हर इनाम  
आपकी हर बात के लिये आपको सलाम

विन बोले आप समझती है मेरे मन का  
शायद इसलिए आपको कहते हैं 'माँ'।

- पूर्वा गोले 9 ड

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- श्रेया दास 9 अ



## हमारा देश

हमारे देश में है अलग - अलग रंग,  
जिसे देखकर कोई भी रह जाए दंग।

अदभुत है इसकी माया,  
जो देती ममता भरी छाया।  
अलग है भापा अलग है भेष,  
फिर भी एक है यह देश।

अलग है इस देश का आसमान,  
इसलिए तो हमारा देश है महान।  
अदभुत है इस देश का बंधन,  
इस कारण मैं करती हूँ इसे वंदन।

- टीशा तेवर 6 द



## मेरी मित्र

मुझे समझने वाली है मेरी मित्र,  
जो हमेशा सोचती है पवित्र।  
हर मुश्किल में काम आती,  
जो हमेशा अपना वादा निभाती।  
उसमें है बहुत अच्छे संस्कार,  
करती नहीं वे कभी तिरस्कार।

वो है मेरी सच्ची सहेली,  
आसान कर दी उसने मेरी जिंदगी की कभी नहीं  
किया मेरा अपमान,  
करती है वे सबका सम्मान।

उसने हमेशा दोस्ती निभाई,  
जब भी मैं मुश्किलों से टकराई।  
उसके लिए वाकी दुनिया है वेकार,  
करती है वे मुझसे बहुत प्यार।  
हमारे बीच कभी न आएगी टकरार,  
जब भी होती है हमारी मुलाकात।  
पूछती है वे मेरे हालात,  
ऐसी है मेरी मित्र,  
जो हमेशा सोचती है पवित्र।

- देवांशी जाडेजा 6 स

## पढ़ाई का महत्व



पढ़ाई हमारे जीवन की सबसे महत्वपूर्ण चीज़ है। पढ़ाई से हमें ढेर सारा ज्ञान प्राप्त होता है इसलिए मेरे मित्रों! पाठशाला में जाओ और हमारे अध्यापक का आदर करो और खूब मन लगाकर पढ़ो। आपको पता ही होगा कि गरीब वर्ग के बच्चे आपको पढ़ता हुआ देखकर सोचते होंगे कि काश! वे भी आपकी तरह पाठशाला जा सकते। उनके जीवन में उन्हें विद्या का लाभ नहीं मिला परन्तु आपके भाग्य में विद्या प्राप्त का सुनहरा अवसर मिला है तो इसे मत गवाए तथा सही उपयोग करके अपने लक्ष्य को प्राप्त कीजिए इसलिए उठो जागो और तब तक ना रुको जब तक ध्येय को प्राप्त न कर लो। कहा भी तो गया है कि पढ़ेगा इंडिया तब ही तो बढ़ेगा इंडिया।

- टीशा शाह 5 व

## क्रिकेट वर्ल्ड कप 2015



ग्यारहवें वर्ल्ड कप में कुल मिलाकर चौदह देशों की टीमों ने भाग लिया है। यह वर्ल्ड कप में कुल 49 मैचों का आयोजन किया गया है। सारी मैच 14 फरवरी तथा 29 मार्च के बीच में खेले जाएंगी। इस बार इनामों के रूप में कुल मिलाकर 102,25000 अमेरिकन डॉलर दिए जाएंगी। यह मैचों का आयोजन ऑस्ट्रेलिया के 7 मैदान तथा न्यूज़ीलैंड के 7 मैदान पर किया गया है। क्रिकेट वर्ल्ड कप की ट्रॉफी का वज़न 11 किलोग्राम है। वर्ल्ड कप में अ तथा व ऐसे दो विभाग बनाए गए हैं।

- रिपीत दरू 7 अ



## ज्ञान का पहला पाठ

एक युवक देश विदेश का भ्रमण कर और वहां के ग्रंथों का अध्ययन कर अपने देश लौटा। वह शेखी बघारने लगा कि उसके समान ज्ञानी और कोई नहीं। उसके पास कोई व्यक्ति जाता उससे वह प्रश्न करने लगता कि क्या उसने कोई अधिक ज्ञानी देखा है। बात गौतम बुद्ध के कानों तक जा पहुंची। वह वात्स्य वेश में उसके पास आये। उस व्यक्ति ने प्रश्न किया कौन हो तुम वात्स्य ? बुद्ध ने कहा अपने मन और देह पर जिसका पूर्ण अधिकार है मैं एक ऐसा तुच्छ मनुष्य हूँ। युवक बोला स्पष्ट करो मुझे कुछ समझ नहीं आया। बुद्ध ने कहा जिस तरह कुम्हार घड़े बनाता है, गायक गीत गाता है, धनु धारी वाण चलाता है, नाविक नौका चलाता है, वादक वाद्य बजाता है और विद्वान वाद विवाद में भाग लेता है उसी तरह ज्ञानी पुरुष स्वयं पर ही शासन करता है। युवक ने पुनः प्रश्न किया ज्ञानी पुरुष भला स्वयं पर शासन कैसे करता है ? बुद्ध ने समझाया लोगों द्वारा स्तुति सुमनों की वर्षा किये जाने पर या निंदा के अंगारे बरसाने पर भी ज्ञानी पुरुष का मन शांत ही रहता है। प्रशंसा या निंदा का उस पर कोई असर नहीं पड़ता। युवक ने अपने बारे में सोचा तो उसे बहुत आत्मग्लानि हुई। वह तुरंत बुद्ध के कदमों पर गिरकर बोला स्वामी अब तक मैं भूल में था। मैं स्वयं को भी ज्ञानी समझता था। पर आज मैंने जाना कि आप से मुझे बहुत कुछ सीखना है। बुद्ध बोले हां ज्ञान का पहला पाठ आज ही तुम्हारी समझ में आया है। तुम मेरे साथ मेरे मठ में चलो आगे के पाठों का अध्ययन वहीं करना। युवक बुद्ध के साथ चला आया और उनका शिष्य बन गया।

- आस्था पुरोहित 6 अ



## स्वच्छ भारत

स्वच्छ विद्यालय और स्वच्छ भारत एक बढ़िया विचार है। इस से हिंदुस्तान और हिन्दुस्तानीयों का भला ही होगा। सही समय है कि हम पूरे देश भर की इस समस्या का हल निकालें।

2 अक्टूबर 2014 को प्रधानमंत्री श्री नरेंद्र मोदी जी स्वच्छ भारत अभियान का शुभ आरंभ किया। महात्मा गांधी का यह एक सपना था कि सब भारतवासी स्वच्छता के बारे में सीखें और उसका अमल करें। पर्यावरण को साफ रखने में काफी ध्यान देते थे।

अगर सब नागरिक छोटे और बड़े अपने घर को और आस पास के जगहों को साफ रखें तो वीमारियों फैलना बंद हो जायेगा। हमें गांवों में और ज्यादा शौचालय बनाने होंगे। इसमें म्युनिसिपालटी और पंचायत की विशेष भूमिका है। भारत की स्वच्छता की यह कोशिश मानव श्रृंखला बनकर और बढ़ेगा।

- फरिज़ान भलारा 4 व



## मेरा शहर

खुली आँख देखा था सपना  
हो मन भावन बड़ोदरा अपना  
संस्कारी नगरी कहते हैं जिस पर  
नाज़ हमेशा से है मुझको।।  
गायकवाड़ महाराज थे जिनके  
दूरदर्शी विचार थे उनके  
उनके विचारों को अपनाया  
बड़ोदरा को अनमोल बनाया।।  
कोई बच्चा न हो निराश  
आगे बढ़ने की है आस  
संगीत नृत्य और चित्रकला  
खेल जगत में भी बोलवाला  
हर युवा दिल की है जान  
बनी रहे भारत की शान।।

- रिदम जोषी 3 द

## चूँ चूँ चीँ चीँ



चिड़िया का एक बच्चा था  
विल्कुल सीधा सच्चा था।।  
अंडे से बाहर निकला तो  
चूँ चूँ चीँ चीँ करता था।।  
मोटी ताज़ी इल्ली लेकर  
जब उसकी माँ आती थी  
खाना खाने का उतावला  
चूँ चूँ चीँ चीँ करता था।।  
आसमान में माँ को देख  
उड़ने की कोशिश करता था  
पर विल्ली को आते देख  
चूँ चूँ चीँ चीँ करता था।।  
फुदक फुदक कर चलना सीखा  
गिरते गिरते उड़ना सीखा  
ऐसे ही वह बड़ा हुआ और  
चूँ चूँ चीँ चीँ करता था।।

- देवश्री मनानी 3 ड

## यदि मैं प्रधानमंत्री होती ...



किसी भी जनतंत्र देश में प्रधानमंत्री का विशेष महत्व होता है। मंत्रीमंडल में प्रधानमंत्री ही सब में मुख्य होते हैं। इसलिए यदि मैं प्रधानमंत्री होती तो मैं अपने आपको बड़ी भाग्यशाली मानती क्योंकि देश सेवा करने का इससे अच्छा अवसर कैसे मिल सकता है।

यदि मैं प्रधानमंत्री होती तो सबसे पहले मैं वह देखती कि मेरे देश में कोई भूखा न सोए। कोई विना घर न रहे और मज़दूरों और कारीगरों की दशा सुधारने का पूरा आयोजन हो।

हमारे देश में आज भ्रष्टाचार बढ़ गया है। यदि मैं प्रधानमंत्री होती तो सबसे पहले मैं भ्रष्टाचार दूर करने के लिए प्रयास करती। देश की प्रगति के लिए जी जान से मेहनत करती।

यदि मैं प्रधानमंत्री होती देश में वैज्ञानिक शिक्षा का आयोजन करती।

- जुही झवेरी 5 द

हर इंसान को जिंदगी में कुछ न कुछ करने की चाह होती है। किसी को शिक्षक तो किसी को डाक्टर तो किसी को चित्रकार। मगर मेरी सोच तो कुछ अलग ही है। मेरी सोच तो प्रधानमंत्री बनने की है।

आज कल देश की स्थिति बड़ी नाजुक है। आज कल भ्रष्टाचारी कालाबाज़ारी गरीबी और बेरोज़गारी ने देश के लोगों को चिंतित कर दिया है।

अगर मैं प्रधानमंत्री होती तो मैं देश की चिंतित स्थिति दूर करने के लिए कड़े कानून बनाती और लोगों का सहकार्य लेकर उनकी मदद से अपने वेहाल देश की स्थिति कम करती और अपने देश का विकास विज्ञान और टेक्नोलॉजी की मदद भी करती।

यदि मैं प्रधानमंत्री बनती तो मैं भारत को फिरसे स्वर्ग बना देती और ऐसे कार्य करूंगी कि लोग मुझे सदियों तक याद रखें और हर नागरिक गर्व से कहे मेरा भारत महान।

- जुवेरिया मेमॉन 5 व



## तितली



एक फूल पर बैठी तितली  
वह थी रंग विरंगी  
जब मैंने उसे हाथ लगाया  
डर कर उड़ गई वह तितली।

उड़कर बोली ना - ना  
मुझे हाथ न लगाया  
मैं हूँ एक कोमल सच्ची तितली  
तुम क्या जानो बच्ची प्यारी

मैं बोली तू कितनी नसीबवाली  
जब चाहे तू उड़ती न्यारी  
तुझको नहीं है पढ़ना लिखना  
और कुछ सोचना।

इतना सारा नसीब  
फिर भी बोली  
“मैं तो हूँ नसीबवाली  
हा।। हा।। हा।।

जब तुझको यह रूप मिलेगा  
तब तुझको पता चलेगा  
“चलो चलो घर अपने  
यह हम दोनों मिलकर बोले।।”

- टीशा पटेल 4 व

**VOLLEYBALL**



**Harshil Patel** of Std. X, a star player of St. Kabir represented the nationals at Karnataka. He secured the **2nd position** at the sub-junior state competition held in Gandhinagar. He represented the nationals at Dehradun. He also secured the **1st position** at the nationals held at Punjab & he has been selected for the South Asian Games (U-17) to be held at Srilanka. He secured the **1st position** in Vadodara District at Khel-mahakumbh.

**Vaishnavi Kamath** of Std. IX represented Vadodara at the state level tournament in Surat & stood **2nd** in Volley ball. She received a silver medal, a track suit & a cash award of Rs.3000/-



**TENNIS**



**Zeel Gandhi** of Std. IX participated in the (U-17) Tennis team event and in singles, securing a gold medal for both the events. She was also a semi finalist and represented the school in the Nationals held at Gulbarga, where she received a cash prize of Rs. 20,000/- She was also awarded a yearly scholarship of Rs. 60,000/- along with a cash prize of Rs. 4,800/- by the district sports coaching centre,

**KARATE**



The following students participated at the All India National Karate, Shitoryu Championship 2015.

- Munazzah Hakim(L)** IX 2 Gold
- Kashish Rachh(R)** IX 2 Gold
- DhairyaRaj Jadeja** IX 1Bronze
- Vira Rawal(C)** V 1 Silver

- Preksha Soni III** 2 Gold
- Earamihi P. IV** 2 Bronze
- Furaat H. IV** 1 Bronze
- Nivedita G. III** 2 Gold

**SKATE**



(L)**Rajvi Shah** of Std. X secured two gold, one silver and a bronze medal in (U-16) Skating Championship at Khelmahakumbh. Over & above she received a cash award of Rs. 53,000/- Rs. 4,300/- & a monthly scholarship of Rs. 5,600/- (R)**Nishtha Nanani** of Std. VI secured two gold and a silver medal in (U-13) Skating Championship at Khelmahakumbh.



**Dhruvil Shah** of Std. I secured the **1st** position & bagged two gold medals in the All Gujarat Roller Skating Championship, in the age group of 6-8 years.

**Mansi Bhatt** of Std. IV stood **1st** in the All Gujarat roller skating championship, in the age group of 8-10 years.

**Dewrat Raval** of Std. VII secured the **1st** position in the Karatec championship, held at Mehsana.



**Winning Glory! Tagore House**



**The Sports Day**, was held on 19<sup>th</sup> Feb. Akota stadium. Sports empower the youth and provide a lens with which to view the world. Sports is all about those incredible moments on the sports field, where sheer human will and desire overcome the odds. These are the dramatic moments to remember and cherish. Thanks to our sports icons, who have cemented their legacies and left a framework for the rest to lead. Aerobics, Pyramid formations, relay, hurdles and heat events kept the kabirites on their toes. **The Green House made a super come-back and bagged the Trophy as the leading House. It was a proud moment for the Green House!**



**Maitree Pradhan** of Std. X stood **1st** in 800 m, **3rd** in 1500 m, **3rd** in 3000 m. running in the Khelmahakumbh. She stood first in cycling at the Nationals & stood **1st** at the state level (U-17). She was conferred the award of excellence & received a yearly scholarship of Rs. 48,000/-.



**Prithvi Patil** of Std. XII Sci bagged the prestigious award for the Best Athlete of the year 2014-'15. At the state level he bagged a silver medal in 800m. (U-19) In BDAAA he bagged a gold medal in 800m.(U-18) & a silver medal in 1500m. In VNM Sports Vadodara Interschool he received a gold medal in 800m. & a silver medal in 400m.



**Siddharth Deolalkar** of Std. IX secured the **3rd Position** in (U-16) Discus Throw, organized by the Amateur Sports Association, Gujarat State.



**Vatsal Sudani** of Std. VIII secured the **1st position** in (U-16) Long Jump organized by the Amateur Sports Association, Gujarat State.

**BADMINTON**



**Karan Umatt** of Std. V was the semi-finalist and **Lisa Kesariya** of Std. VII was the runner up of open Baroda Badminton tournament held at Bal Bhavan.



**RocBall Winner**



**Vikendra Kher** of Std. V participated in the sub-junior National Rocball Championship, held at Kamala Sport Academy, Panvel, Maharashtra. The Gujarat team stood **1st**. He has also participated in the Volleyball Tournament at Khelmahakumbh.

**BASKETBALL**



Nalanda International School organized an (U-14) Open Baroda Basketball Tournament. The girls secured the **1st Position**.

**Aayushi Chokshi, Kirtana Nambiar, Bhavya, Maitree, Forum, Ishita Amin, Sunidhi-(VII), Preeti Jogi, Kavisha Shah, Avantika, Divya, Shraddha Jogi-(VI)**



Bal bhavan organized an (U-14) Open Baroda Basketball Tournament. The boys secured the **1st Position**.



**Kedar Rawal, Ayaan Pathan, Harshvardhan Gohil, Sparsh Dalal-(IV), Dev Patel, Tanay Deo, Vraj Desai, Rishit Daru -(VII), Himil Gohel, Saumya Patel-(VIII)**



In basketball (U-13) girls secured the **1st position** in Vadodara, secured the **2nd position** in Khelmahakumbh. Four girls were selected in the Vadodara team. They received an individual cheque of Rs.3000/- each.

In basketball (U-13) boys secured the **2nd position** in Vadodara, Khelmahakumbh. Four boys were selected in the Vadodara team. They received an individual cheque of Rs.2000/- each.

Avanthika Nair, Ishita Amin, Dev Patel, Rishit Daru, Vraj Kavisha Shah, Kritika Arora, Desai, Tanay Deo, Kedar Drashti Shah, Maitri Solanki, Rawal, Ayan Patha & Sunidhi Mungra, Kirthana Harshvardhan Gohil Nambiar & Divya Maheshwari



**Sunidhi Mungra & Kirthana Nambiar** of Std. VII were selected in Basketball for the state championship and stood **1st** in Gujarat.

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