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WEB EDITION

MS DHONI RETIRES FROM INTERNATIONAL CRICKET

MAHI WAY: From railway tkt collector to CAPTAIN COOL

WHEN MS DHONI smashed the six that won the World Cup for India in 2011, it instantly became an iconic moment in cricket and established the man, who started out as a railway ticket collector, as one of the game's greats. Hard-hitting, unruffled even under pressure, the record of 'Captain Cool', and India's most

His countless endorsement deals and TV ads not only made him a sports superstar to rival Sachin Tendulkar but also put him in the Forbes list of the world's richest athletes. In 2015, his income was estimated to be \$31 million

successful captain, will be virtually impossible to beat. Holding the inaugural World T20 trophy in Johannesburg in 2007, and leading India to victory in the WC final against Sri Lanka at Mumbai's Wankhede stadium will remain etched amongst the most memorable Dhoni moments.

HERE'S WHY DHONI IS CAPTAIN COOL

- Dhoni was one of the country's most successful captains, before stepping down as the skipper of the limited-over teams in 2017
- Under his stewardship, India won the T20 World Cup in 2007, the 50-over World Cup in 2011, and the Champions Trophy in 2013
- The team also reached the top of the Test rankings in 2009 under his leadership

REACTIONS GALORE

What you've done for the country will always remain in everyone's heart. But the mutual respect and warmth, I've received from you will always stay in mine. The world has seen achievements, I've seen the person. I tip my hat to you @msdhoni

VIRAT KOHLI, Indian captain

Your contribution to Indian cricket has been immense, @msdhoni. Winning the 2011 World Cup together has been the best moment of my life. Wishing you and your family all the very best for your 2nd innings

SACHIN TENDULKAR, former Indian captain

Major announcements made by PM Modi on I-Day



1 EVERY INDIAN TO HAVE A DIGITAL HEALTH ID: PM Modi has unveiled an ambitious National Digital Health Mission, under which every Indian will get a health ID that will ease access to the medical services. The health ID will contain information about your medical data, prescriptions and diagnostic reports, and summaries of the previous discharge from the hospitals for ailments. The mission is expected to bring efficiency and transparency in the healthcare services in the country.

2 NEW CYBER SECURITY POLICY TO BE UNVEILED SOON: The draft of the National Cyber Security Strategy 2020 that envisages creating a secure cyberspace in India is ready, and is likely to be finalised this year. The government recently banned several Chinese apps to protect the personal data of Indian users.

3 SCHEMES FOR WOMEN: PM Modi talked about government's scheme to provide

sanitary napkins at ₹ 1. He said the government is deliberating on what should be the minimum age of marriage for women and has set up a committee to look into the matter. The minimum age of marriage for women is 18 years and 21 for men. PM Modi also talked about the economic empowerment of women.

4 ALL VILLAGES TO BE CONNECTED WITH OPTICAL FIBRE IN NEXT 1,000 DAYS: PM Modi announced that the task to connect India's over six lakh villages with optical fibre network will be completed in the next 1,000 days.

5 ₹100 LAKH CRORE TO BE SPENT ON INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS: PM Modi said that a plan has been prepared to connect the whole country with multi-model connectivity infrastructure. Nearly 7,000 projects in different sectors have been identified. In a way, it will be a new revolution in the infrastructure sector.

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD LAUNCHES 'TEN-MINUTE BOOK CLUB'

The University of Oxford has launched a digital book club called 'Ten-Minute Book Club'

HOW DOES IT WORK: According to the website, every Friday, Oxford academics will choose and post a free literary excerpt that can be read in 10 minutes. Each extract is paired with free resources and an introduction by an expert suggesting themes or contexts to think about as you read.



HOW CAN YOU USE IT? Read yourself or have a discussion with family, friends, colleagues, or anyone else you'd like to connect with. Expect to be exposed to a mixture of classic well-known literature and outstanding works from the 19th and early 20th centuries.

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK? This week you can read an extract from the 19th century sociologist, author and critic W.E.B Du Bois' book, 'The Souls of Black Folk', which was published in 1903.

Access: <https://english.web.ox.ac.uk/ten-minute-book-club/du-bois-souls-of-black-folk>

MOTIVATE YOURSELF

FEELING DOWN?

Take inspiration from Amy Morin, a psychotherapist and TEDx speaker, who has written a book called '13 Things Mentally Strong People Don't Do.' She says, "Mentally strong people don't sit around feeling sorry about their circumstances or how others have treated them. Instead, they take responsibility for their role in life and understand that life isn't always easy or fair."

You too can take the lead by sharing your views. To start with, do send your views on:

- 1 Does technology make one feel more alone?
- 2 Has social media/selfie-culture added to humanity's narcissism?
- 3 Have you ever tried deleting your social media account? How was the experience of walking away?
- 4 Has technology and online learning added to your learning experience?
- 5 What is better when it comes to learning a second language? Apps or classes with a teacher.

Send your articles at toinie175@gmail.com

IIT, Bombay graduates develop android app for online learning on 2G service

Two graduates of the Indian Institute of Technology, IIT, Bombay, have developed an android application for online learning for students. Called, 'Wise App', it will help students for online learning on the 2G service. The application is user-friendly, free of cost, and comes without any advertisements. Mubeen Masudi and Bilal Abidi,



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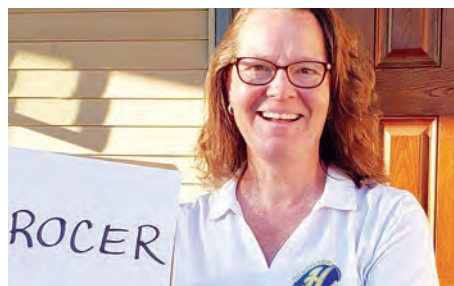


the developers of the app said, "Wise App, which works on 2G, enables teachers to schedule and conduct live classes on ZOOM without having to share meeting IDs and passwords. Additionally, it enables the teachers to send and receive assignments, facilitate discussions, share material, and receive automated attendance reports, all at one place."

It took two months for Abidi to develop the app. The app was launched in Google Playstore last week

IN THE RECORD BOOK

WOMAN SPELLS 56 WORDS BACKWARDS IN ONE MINUTE



Ginzama yllaiciffo! Read that backwards. A woman's unusual talent of spelling backwards has earned her a place in the Guinness World Records. Pam Onnen, from Hastings in Minnesota, spelt 56 words backwards in just a minute. The Guinness World Records shared a video of Onnen spelling 56 words backwards from a randomised list in a duration of one minute. The video also featured her reciting the English alphabet backwards.

The previous record of most words spelled backwards in one minute was 17



SHARON STONE'S MEMOIR TO HIT BOOKSHELVES IN MARCH 2021

Actor Sharon Stone's memoir, 'The Beauty of Living Twice' will be released in March 2021. The 62-year-old actor shared the news in a post on Twitter, where she also unveiled the book's cover. The book will be published by Alfred A Knopf. The memoir will be released simultaneously in hardcover and as an ebook. Stone will also narrate the book for its audible edition.

BOOK

NEWS IN BRIEF

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MILEY CYRUS RELEASES SELF-DIRECTED MUSIC VIDEO 'MIDNIGHT SKY'

After creating a buzz in the social media for the past few weeks, singer Miley Cyrus has released her highly-anticipated single, 'Midnight Sky'. According to Billboard, the song is the first single from her upcoming album, 'She Is Miley Cyrus'. The 27-year-old musician made the official announcement on Twitter, sharing a brief clip of the music video that has been directed by her.

- Clocking in at three-minute and 42-seconds, the official music video is all glitzy-glamour and colourful.
- The musician shines in the video as she is seen decked in neon and shimmery body fit attire, teamed up with crystal-covered long black gloves.
- However, Cyrus is yet to announce an official release date for 'She Is Miley Cyrus'



CLIMATE CHANGE, NOT HUMANS LED TO THE EXTINCTION OF THE WOOLLY RHINO

Awoolly brown rhinoceros that weighed two tons, once roamed in northeastern Siberia, before mysteriously disappearing around 14,000 years ago. Was its demise caused by humans, or the warming climate of the time? A new study by scientists say the population of the animal, also known by its scientific name, *Coelodonta antiquitatis*, remained stable for millennia as they lived alongside humans, before dropping sharply towards the end of the last ice age.

ENVIRONMENT



➤ Humans arrived in this part of Siberia 30,000 years ago. Though they hunted the rhinos, the animal's population remained steady for 12,000 more years, until an abrupt period of warming, known as the Bolling-Allerod

FACTOID \$1.5 MN

■ Price of a Covid mask that is being created by Israeli jewellers for an unnamed US-based client. "Made out of 18-carat gold and studded with 3,600 black and white diamonds, the mask will be fitted with an N99 filter to offer a high level of protection," says Isaac Levy, owner of the Yvel jewellery brand that is making the mask. He described the client as a Chinese art collector living in the US. The mask, which a team of around 25 artisans is working on, might be viewed as a vulgar display of wealth during hard economic times, but for Levy, it is above all a work of art



FREQUENT LAUGHTER HELPS BUST STRESS

HEALTH

➤ It is estimated that people typically laugh 18 times a day, generally during interactions with other people, and depending on the degree of pleasure they experience. Researchers have also reported differences related to the time of day, age, and gender. For example, it is known that women smile more than men on an average



It's hard to catch your breath, when you laugh, because your diaphragm spasms. This is precisely why your laughter sounds like 'ha-ha-ha' or 'ho-ho-ho' or 'he-he-he'

Let's have a laughing session. Take at least 5-10 minutes from your daily routine and laugh with your friends, elders, especially your grandparents. You can share your laughing tips with us at toinie175@gmail.com

A new study has suggested that people who laugh frequently in their everyday lives may be better equipped to deal with stressful events, although this does not seem to apply to the intensity of laughter. The study emphasised that the number of laughs in a day affects the quality of a person's life positively rather than the amount of time that was spent laughing away to happiness.



Our Success Stories

'Clarity of concepts'

MARKS: 96.6%

STUDENT: Kshitij Patil

CLASS: X A

BOARD : CBSE

SCHOOL: Global Edge School, Madhapur



Your initial reaction on hearing the news?

When I first saw my marks, I literally jumped with joy. I was so happy. I felt that all my hard work throughout the year had finally paid off. All the hours I spent studying finally bore fruit in the form of this wonderful achievement. It felt really good to see everyone around me happy with my performance.

What do you attribute your success to?

I would attribute my success to all the wonderful teachers who have guided me over the years in Global Edge and of course to my family too. I am really grateful to all of them for the valuable guidance and support which inspired me to give my best in the boards. I consider myself very lucky and proud to be a Global Edger.

Your message to the students appearing for the boards?

My message to the students would be not to worry too much about marks, instead focus more on getting all the concepts clear. This will automatically help to get stronger in the respective topic and secure a good score in it. I also wish them all the very best for their upcoming examinations.

Your next step?

My next aim going forward is to perform well in my 11th and 12th so that I can get into a good college and pursue Automobile Designing as my career.



We are extremely proud of all our students' results irrespective of marks and grades. This is the first major academic milestone of their life and they have achieved it with flying colours. We wish them all the very best as they step out into the new phase of their academic life and aim to realise all their goals and dreams equipped with the skills of a 21st century learner.

Anju Madan, Principal, Global Edge School, Madhapur

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Felicitating achievers



"With great power comes great responsibility"

Army Public School Golconda

Army Public School Golconda hosted its virtual felicitation ceremony for meritorious students who scored more than 90% in CBSE 2019-20 examinations.

The ceremony was graced by Brigadier RR Kumar, commandant, Artillery Centre and chairman, APS Golconda. He lauded the students for their commendable academic

achievements and contributions to the school.

A melodious canticle and a mellifluous instrumental music enlivened the programme.

Teachers were also honoured for playing a key role in the students' success. Parents were delighted to be a part of this eventful occasion. The

chief guest congratulated the students and advised them to excel in all walks of life. He also expressed special thanks to the principal and the staff of the school for their dedication and sincere efforts that helped students achieve the glory. Principal Vidya Muralidharan, congratulated the students for their excellent results and exhorted them to continue with their spirit of dedication and hard work to forge ahead in life.

School leaders take charge on virtual platform

Delhi School of Excellence

Attapur

The lockdown due to the Covid-19 pandemic may have brought a lot of activities to a cessation but it couldn't deter the spirit of the students of Delhi School of Excellence, Attapur. The Investiture Ceremony of the school was held with much excitement and was attended by the members of the management, principals and headmistresses of sister concerns and the parents of the members of the Student Council.

The ceremony began with a prayer followed by an innovative floral tribute to welcome the dignitaries. The devotional welcome dance boosted the spirit of the gathering and the video screened revealed the entire process of the formation of the new student office.

The jingles presented by the students of class I and II added colour and vibrance.



The school cabinet members were bestowed with various designations and the honour of pinning the badges was done by their parents in the Google Meet auditorium. The four house mentors were honoured by the academic director.

The new Student Council leaders took the oath to discharge their duties with sincerity.

Principal Augustine Thomas shared his thoughts on how great things could happen through hard work and dedication and congratulated the newly elected leaders.

The head boy and head girl, in their speeches, promised to serve the school with responsibility, integrity and with a strong team spirit. The vote of thanks was proposed by the cultural secretaries of the school.

Towards a greener environment

Maninder Sandhu, Pre-primary coordinator, Pallavi Model School

Alwal

In school, academics must go hand in hand with holistic experiences. In tune with this, Pallavi Model School, Alwal, celebrated a virtual 'Vruksh Diwas' as part of the Telangana government's green initiative 'Haritha Haram.'

Children were asked to use their old pots and decorate it with the help of their parents in a creative way. The children were then taught to plant a sapling in it. To motivate the students, teachers also planted saplings. They urged the students to take care of it every day.

From this experience, children learned that if we all need to sustain life on earth we must conserve the environment and plant more and more trees.



IMMERSED IN THE SAGA OF LORD KRISHNA

Pallavi Model School Boduppal

Lord Krishna is the 'Guru' of the world. Through the Bhagavad Gita, he has guided mankind towards the path of righteousness without mentioning any religion. To inculcate the spirit of oneness, students of Pallavi Model School, Boduppal celebrated Krishna Janmashtami. The girls dressed as Radha and the boys as Krishna added to the festive look of the assembly. The special assembly conducted by the students of PP2 reverberated with songs and dances dedicated to Lord Krishna. The traditional Dahi Handi ritual was the highlight of the event.

Pallavi International School Gandipet

Students of Pallavi International School celebrated a virtual Janmashtami. They actively participated in the event with many of them dressed traditionally as Radha and Krishna.

A colourful programme was organised online where students presented melodious songs, scintillating dance performances and informative speeches in various languages that represented Lord Krishna's 'Leelas' and depicted the importance of the festival.

Children got to know the mythological stories of Krishna, Radha, and Kansa through a quiz.

