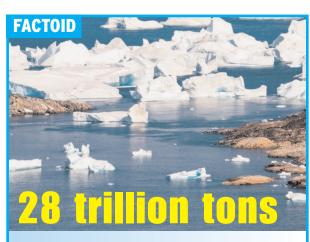
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# Schools in the post-Covid world



The amount of ice, the Earth has lost since 1994, courtesy global warming. A latest study by scientists have revealed that the sea level rise could reach a metre by the end of the century. The scientists analysed the glaciers, mountains and ice sheets between 1994 and 2017 to measure the loss of ice coverage, and to identify the impact of global warming.

## THE IMPACT

Every centimetre of sea-level rise means about a million people will be displaced from their low-lying homelands, scientists have warned

The melting of ice is reducing the planet's ability to reflect the solar radiation back into space, they added

Meanwhile, the cold water from the glaciers is disrupting the biological health of Arctic and Antarctic waters significantly, while the loss of the glaciers in the mountains is threatening the fresh water sources, on which many local communi-



From PPE-adorned teachers checking temperatures and restrictions on the students, to classrooms armed with sanitisers and social distancing measures, schools across the world have opened up with almost 'military style' checks and precautionary care



Will this be the **NEW NORMAL** for Indian schools too? Are we prepared to handle this level of care in schools? Share your views at OINIE175@GMAIL.CON



## **SCIENTISTS SET NEW WORLD RECORD FOR INTERNET SPEED**

Scientists in the UK have claimed that they have achieved the world's fastest internet data transmission rate, a speed which would make it possible to download the entire Netflix library in less than a second...

> The researchers from the University College London (UCL) in the UK achieved a data transmission rate of 178 terabits a second, five times faster than the previous record

> The record is double the capacity of any system currently deployed in the world

> It was achieved by transmitting data through a much wider range of colours of light, or wavelengths, than is typically used in optical fibre, the researchers said

The new record, demonstrated in a lab, is a fifth faster than the previous world record held by a team in Japan. At this speed, it would take less download the data that made up the world's first image of a black hole, they said. The speed is close to the theoretical limit of data transmission set out by American mathematician, Claude Shannon, in 1949

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James Gunn introduces his



ilmmaker James Gunn who introduced his 'Suicide Squad' at a virtual event recently has said that the film will be different from any other superhero movie ever made. The first inside look into the world of Gunn's, 'Suicide Squad', which is being described as a 1970s gritty war movie, was unveiled at the virtual DC Fandome.

Terming the new Warner Bros film as a "sequel" to John Ostrander's 1980s, 'Suicide Squad' comic-book run, Gunn said, his favourite character back then was Waller, who was "so different for the time in terms of being a strong woman- an anti-hero, but with both positive and negative attributes, and not physically the same as everyone else portrayed in the comic books"



Apple is set to open its third outlet in Singapore; it will be the world's first floating retail store at Marina Bay Sands. According to reports, the new Apple store will be housed in a sphere floating on Marina Bay

## Metro train services may resume from Sept 1, reopening of schools unlikely

etro train services may be allowed in the 'Unlock 4' phase, beginning September 1, but schools and colleges are unlikely to reopen anytime soon, officials have said. The States, will, however, take the final call on reopening the rapid transport networks, depending on the coronavirus situation there. Moreover, deliberations are underway on whether to allow reopening of higher educational institutions, such as universities, IITs and IIMs. No decision has been taken on the matter yet, the officials added.

es were suspended in late March to combat the spread of the novel coronavirus

Metro servic-

new neighbourhood is being built. The iden tity of the owner is still a mystery, but the investigation has revealed that the area where the clay vessel was found, once housed workshops. It is believed the person, who hid the coins, was hoping to retrieve them, as the vessel was secured with a nail.

unearthed from the site. Most of them date to the Abbasid period, around 1,000 yrs ago

## John Ridley penning new Batman comic series

scar-winning screenwriter John Ridley is set to write a new Batman comic series, in which the Dark Knight will not be Bruce Wayne, but a completely different African-American character. He also hinted that the focus of the comic series will be the family of Lucius Fox, head of the Wayne Enterprises.

Fox's character has been essayed by Hollywood veteran, Morgan Freeman, in Christopher Nolan's, 'The Dark Knight' trilogy, and in the 'Batman Begins' video game The comic book mini-series will release next year in January



FROM BOOKS TO SCREEN



'The Winds of War and War and Remembrance' by Herman Wouk

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limited series by actorwriter, Seth MacFarlane. 'Winds of War' follows the story of an American family's journey across the continents during the turbulent times of World War-II

## **BETWEEN THE WORLD**

Ta-Nehisi Coates', 'Between the World and Me', featuring Oprah Winfrey, Angela Bassett and Alicia Garza- founder of 'Black Lives

Matter', among others, is all set to be adapted into a film. Written in the form of a letter to his son, 'Between the World and Me', was published in 2015. This non-fiction book is a bold yet personal literary work that explores America's racial



King of Horror, Stephen King's 2009, novella, 'Throttle' is being adapted into a fea ture. Coauthored

Stephen King and Joe Hill, 'Throttle', follows a father-son duo who lead a biker gang that is terrorised by a rig truck driver in America

## YOU BENEATH YOUR SKIN:

This psychological thriller written by Damayanti Biswas will be adapted into a multi-part drama series. Set

in New Delhi, the book follows Anjali Morgan, an Indian-American psychiatrist, raising an autistic son, and Jatin Bhatt, an ambitious police commissioner. When a horrific crime spree happens, both of them are caught in it and have to face their past and unveil new secrets

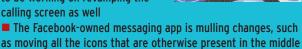
## WHATSAPP TO INTRODUCE RINGTONE FOR GROUP CALLS

calls, new sticker animation, and user interface (UI) improvements for calls with its latest Android beta update. WhatsApp has also introduced a new type for animation stickers. The animation will play in a loop up to eight times and will have a lesser loop time.

■ The messaging app is also look ing forward to improving UI for voice calls. In the new UI, all the buttons are moved to the bottom

of the display Additionally, WhatsApp is said to be working on revamping the

of the screen to the bottom of the screen

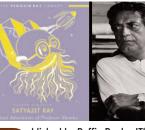






Estival and festival look so much alike that you might think they're very closely related, but that isn't the case. Estival traces back to 'aestas', which is the Latin word for 'summer'

## THE FINAL ADVENTURES



ublished by Puffin Books, 'The Final Adventures of Professor Shonku', is the last volume of Professor Shonku's escapades, featuring the classic sci-fi

stories, along with the original artworks by Satyajit Ray himself. In this last volume of Professor Shonku's escapades, the brilliant and benevolent scientist travels around the world once more to face near death situations. Each experience is beautifully recorded in his diary. Join the incredible Shonku on his many exhilarating adventures, accompanied by his two long-time friends, his feline companion, Newton, and his faithful retainer, Prahlad. Presented in a brilliant translation by Indrani Majumdar and the late author, this volume brings alive the imaginative world of the weird Professor Shonku.

## UNEARTHED

## **Hundreds of solid gold** coins discovered in Israel undreds of solid gold coins,

stashed away in a clay vessel for over a thousand years, were unearthed in central Isreal recently. According to the Israel Antiquities Authority, the treasure trove

was discovered on August 18 by a few teenagers, who volunteered at an excavation site, where a



As many as 425, 24-carat pure gold coins were





# BE CAUTIOUS OF THE WORLD OF WEB

By Ankita Rath

he digital podium recorded a houseful show as students from different schools across the city poured in to be a part of the Times NIE Students' Webinar held on Zoom video-conferencing platform on Wednesday at 3:00pm. The event was sponsored by Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited in association with Roots Degree College. The panel members for the session were B Sumathi, Deputy Inspector of Police (DIG) of Women Safety Wing, Government of Telangana, Dr C Veerender, Psychologist, PD Trainer, and MD at You & Me Counselling Center and BP Padala, chairman of Roots Collegium.

The dignitaries shared their insights on the topic 'Safety and Security on Social Platyoung audience to ensure maximum safety while using any social media platforms.

Citing a few instances from the cases that she comes across every day, Sumathi said, "We come across a lot of cases where parents complain that they are unable to keep a track of their children's social media activities. Naturally situations like this are directly pro-registered portional to increase in crimes. While using any social media platform, people reveal some amount of crimes is information about themselves related to cyber to a larger group of known and unknown people which can make them vulnerable at some point of time. When an untoward situation crops up, peotake advantage of it ple come to us asking for pro- out of their own

Times NIE Students' Webinar held on Zoom addresses the safety challenges students face on online platforms

THE TIMES OF INDIA TOPIC: Safety and Security on Social Platforms WEBINAR

forms' and cautioned the tection. Here I would like to ulterior agenda. In a clarify that law can only protect you in a legal way, but it nario, people especan't protect you in a personal way. Your safety lies in your own hands when you are using the social

media. The DIG further added, "Among the many cases with us on a daily basis, the highest stalking. When you put some information of yours on the web, people might

post COVID-19 scecially children and youngsters have been spending a lot of time online which has increased the crime rate. This needs to be checked."

the other panelists, Dr C volving teenagers and Veerender and BP Padala seconded the opinion of the DIG and urged children to avoid being on social media platforms for longer duration.

Both

Alerting the young social media handlers, Veerender said, "Social media is not our personal media. Though you might have a personal account, data and engage

it doesn't mean that anything you

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present, write or talk about will be personal. Anything that you post online has a possibility to remain on the internet for a lifetime. There are so many tragic cases in-

adults that we come across on news. So, be conscious when you post something on social media.'

"I will suggest you not to post anything personal as hackers may retrieve these

in malicious activities. Teenagers must always avoid expressing their emotions love or anger on social media. Be careful as it is your responsibility to take care of yourself and your family," he

Putting out a word of advice for the audience, Padala said. "Be careful what kind of online platform you are using. with whom you are befriending. If you face any cyber bullying, don't hesitate to inform your parents in real time, however embarrassing it might be. It is always better to take action rather than succumbing to blackmail.

The 90-minutes engaging session concluded with announcement of the muchawaited results of the recently conducted Times NIE Article Writing and News Bulletin Anchor contests. Nearly 2000 students had enthusiastically participated in the digital contests and showcased their creativity. The bottom half of the page is dedicated to our win-

ners!

### **EXPERTS RESPOND TO QUERIES**

Q. Suggest some tips on how to study well and concentrate during this pandemic. Joshitha, class VII. Vista School

A. Whether there is pandemic or not, you must focus on your curriculum, online classes and assignments and reduce as much time as possible on social media as it is a huge distraction. Someone who uses social media extensive-

ly tends to use acronyms like LoL, Brb, etc. It leads to poor syntax. Instead pursue your passion by getting enrolled in online courses depending on your choice. Learn to utilise your time well and hone your skills. - B P PADALA

Q. How can we know if a website is secure or not? V Eashan, class VII, Vidyanjali Grammar School

A. If the website or App is present on Google play store it will be authenticated in some or other way. You can check on their records like if they are present on any other social media platforms with data of previous work. If it exists, we can come to some conclusion

that these sites are secure. - B SUMATHI

Q. What are some of the effective methods that you would suggest to disconnect from social media?

Sri Sidhvi Dindi, class XI, P Obul Reddy Public School

A. People who are addicted to social media need to ask themselves if it helps them in any way or is it only for time pass. If it is the latter, they must realise that they need to come out of it as soon as possible. The first step is to disconnect the WIFI or may be just use of

30 mins to one hour in a day. You need to learn to control your urge of using social media extensively. - DR C VEERENDER



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**SENIOR CATEGORY WINNERS** 

**TOPIC:** HOW HAS THE LOCKDOWN IMPACTED YOUR LIFE?



Chitrita Gehlot, class X-F, Army Public School, Bolarum

hree months earlier, if someone would have told me that I could wake up when I wanted, binge



watch my favourite shows, read books all day, I would have been delighted at that idea. But now, when that is the reality of my life, it feels incomplete. But since, it is the need of the hour, I have learnt to live with

Despite all the negativity surrounding the lockdown, it has given me a chance to.... **READ MORE ONLINE** 



Nishka Jhawar, class XI-B, Meridian School, for Girls and Boys



our lives and put everything to a halt. It affected the lives of people around the world bringing a flood of tension and worries followed by negative thoughts and piles of boredom. I was also one among the bored peoples and I did not know what to do.

The lockdown brought a major impact on my life. As soon as my board exams got over...

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M Shraddha Reddy, class IX, DDMS P Obul Reddy Public School



ty. The optimist sees opportunity in every difficulty." Being an optimist, I believe that lockdown is indeed a wonderful opportunity to cut adrift and find oneself. So on, when all is well, each one will look back on this period of life and be so glad that we never gave up.

There has been a positive impact in my life due to the lockdown. I used this time effectively...

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Vidit Gupta, class - VIII B, The Shri Ram Universal

Krishnashree, class X-D, CRPF Public school

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Garimaa, class IX-B, Delhi O Public School, Secunderabad

7 Swati Rani, class IX-C, Pallavi Model School, Boduppal

## Shraddha Myneni, class VIII-B, Bharatiya Vidya Bhavans, Atmakuri



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class V-A, Delhi Public



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**TOPIC:** TELL US A MEMORABLE CHAPTER FROM YOUR QUARANTINE DIARY



Anwesha Acharya, class VII-I, Kennedy High The Global School

ARTICLE-WRITING CONTEST

uarantine Cui-Who would've thought

those two words could go so well together? I have always had a passion for cooking. I would've never thought that I could make so many dishes. Quarantine Cuisine. Who would've thought those two words could go so well together? Although, I have always had a passion for the culinary arts, I would've never thought that I could make so many dishes...

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Srirama Lasya Mansvini Poduri, class VII B, Delhi School of Excellence, Manikonda



'Learning' is fun? I am glad to say that I experienced both during the terrible times -

Learning started with understanding new words like Corona Virus, COVID, Quarantine, Social distancing etc. Being at home and not meeting friends...





Mamidipally, class VI, Vista School

hat morning seemed boring, with nothing fun to do. I woke up, recollecting the 'family

culinary contest' we had a few weeks ago. I longed for another. I went to the kitchen, where I saw Mom cooking and asked her if we could have another culinary contest. Luckily, she said that, instead of wasting groceries on a contest, I could make something special. I ran back to google...

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