



DELHI PUBLIC SCHOOL, Miyapur

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Dear Parent,

“Happy is the one who waits as he or she prays, and never loses his or her patience, for god's time is the best time.”

While still being shackled under the quarantined days of Covid-19, children and adults continue to pray and have faith in God for bringing back things to normal. However, as the given quote states, we must have patience and understand that God only helps those who help themselves. Rising up to challenges, overcoming obstacles, embracing the new-normal and developing an optimistic perspective towards the precious time given to us to reconcile with each other and reframe our lives, is the need of the hour. We, the dipsites of DPS Miyapur, truly belong to this clan as we have successfully completed yet another exciting month of online schooling. The month of September was power-packed with innumerable celebrations, events and activities, amalgamated with rigorous academics alongside. The absence of sharing the same physical space has not faltered our confidence and love for learning, and be it physically or virtually, we will always spare no effort to bring glory to our school and will strive with pride for being a dipsite!

Teachers' Day



“The art of teaching is the art of assisting discovery.”

-Mark Van Doren

Teachers' Day marks a significant occasion in every school, and at DPS, it is celebrated with great pomp and joy every year. Students come up with innovative ideas and themes every year to celebrate this occasion vividly, thereby showcasing their immense gratitude and affection towards their teachers. On this Teacher's day, the absence of physical interaction did not undermine the spirits of the students and they came up with such out-of-the-box virtual gifting ideas that truly made this day very special and memorable for all the teachers. The Pandemic may have brought dark clouds of unprecedented times for us, but our students, their wings of creativity and their innocent smiles truly form the silver linings. The little munchkins of pre-primary have totally stolen the show by talking about their teachers, dedicating songs to them and making handmade greeting cards for their teachers, all of which have been shared on a Padlet - **My Tribute to my Teachers**. The students of LKG have done a Palm Printing Activity, while the students of UKG have made greeting cards to show their love for teachers. One of the best parts of the program is that a few of them have danced to peppy tunes to express their gratitude towards their teachers. Children have expressed their special skills and were very excited to present their virtual gifts to their teachers. Both the teachers and the students shared very friendly and innocent conversations.

The students sang the Guru Vandhanam by reciting the shloka “Gurur Brahma” for their teachers. One of the students from UKG A has stated that “A Teacher is a Second Mother” - what an absolutely delightful thought from a 5-year-old kid. It is rightly said that a good education can change anyone, but a good teacher can change everything. This teacher's day has been a memorable and an emotional experience for all the teachers as they were deeply missing the children's physical presence, but were equally happy for being able to emotionally connect with them. As creative individuals, they always aim to build fresh challenges and a holistic approach in their teaching and in their students' learning.



“Teacher- being one is the highest privilege, while having one is the best blessing.”

Just like the kids of pre-primary, students of the Senior Wing too left no stone unturned in celebrating Teachers' Day virtually with unfathomable exuberance and zeal, this year. Just like every year, the students of our excellent prefectorial board took charge of all the events that were being held class wise and made sure that all the teachers in every class had a blast. Starting from class LKG to class 8, senior students had logged into each one of these classes on the day before Teachers' Day, and spoke to them about the significance of Teachers' Day, the importance of appreciating the tireless efforts that are made by teachers to ensure that our online learning is orderly yet enjoyable, and discussed with them how they can come up with ideas to virtually gift their teachers with presents as a token of gratitude for all that they do for us. In a matter of seconds, students came up with brilliant ideas such as handmade cards, drawings, portraits, videos, e-cards, poems, songs, dances, games, flipbooks and so much more, all of which were presented next day to the teachers during Breakfast with Buddies. Teachers were on cloud nine on being surprised with so many gifts on their screens. This virtual gifting session made all the screens light up with colours of imagination and creativity that were showcased by the unique presents made by students, all of them forming the harmonized symphony of their immense love for their teachers.



K Meenakshi 3c



Ch.Anvith
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From Ch.Bhuvana kruthi 3c/18



Dhruv Kala, III B HAPPY
TEACHERS' DAY



Ayati Pandey.... Happy teacher's
day to all my loving teacher's
thanks alot ma'am for guiding
us... keep blessing.....
Class_3J... Roll no. 26



Happy Teachers Day

M. Satya Aekansh, 3B , Roll 7



Lalituditya B 3D roll no 19



CV Prajwal 3D

Thank you for making
our tomorrow better



Happy Teacher's Day!
Aarjav hain 3A



Happy Teachers' Day
Rishith Sai 3E



M Karunya Sri roll no 22
Happy Teacher's Day



HAPPY TEACHERS DAY to
all my guides....
Samika Sontireddy
3F, roll no.24



Ch.Varshith Abijay:23,3I

HAPPY TEACHER'S DAY



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Happy teacher's day to all DPS
wonderful Teachers...



Happy Teacher's Day to All
Dear Teacher's
Avika Priya 3G/9



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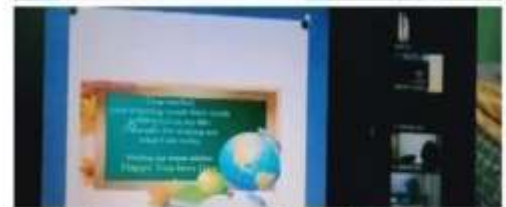
Jashvikaa reddy

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Vidhan Kumar 3I (Roll no.
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Teacher's Day Drawing



Aadhya Narra, 3E, Roll No 2



Happy teachers day to all
my teachers

Rachita Yagalla (3h)



Dishita 3D

I love you all my Teachers and
Sirs for encouraging me to be
always better in life. Happy
birthday Sir C.V.Raman



J.Tejasvi

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Anika Desai 3-J

Roll no 2



HAPPY TEACHERS DAY

Happy Teachers Day. Thank you for supporting us. You have always encouraged us to try again when we failed. You have helped us up whenever we fell down. You are like our second parent. You were really kind to us and loved us all. You always keep us entertained. You have always taught us everything about knowledge. You have never let us get bored. You keep us happy. You make learning fun. You always make funny jokes to make us laugh. We are really proud to have the best teachers like you. Thank you for everything you have done for us.

Dr. Bally was nice. Pooja was nice. Sangeeta was nice. Pragnanand was nice and Jinal was nice.

From: Abhishek

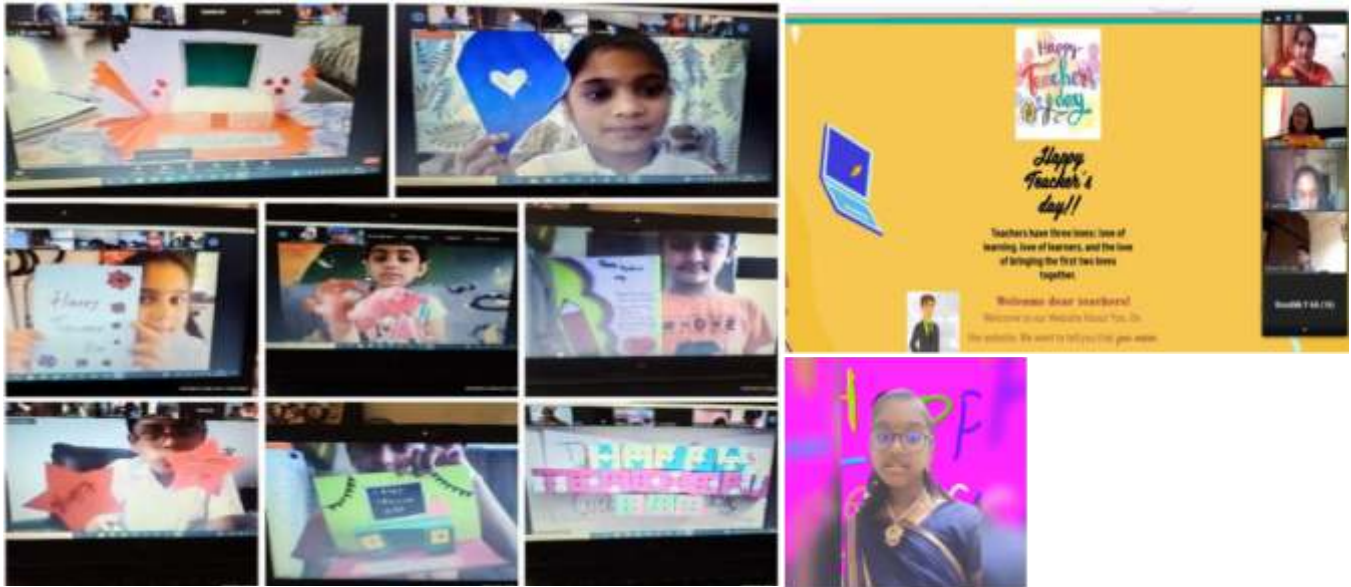


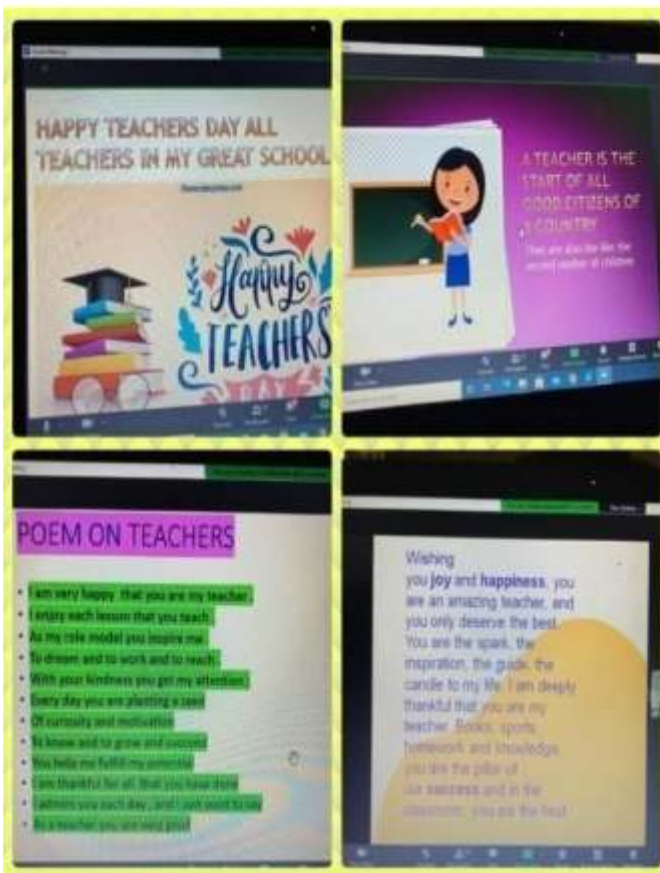
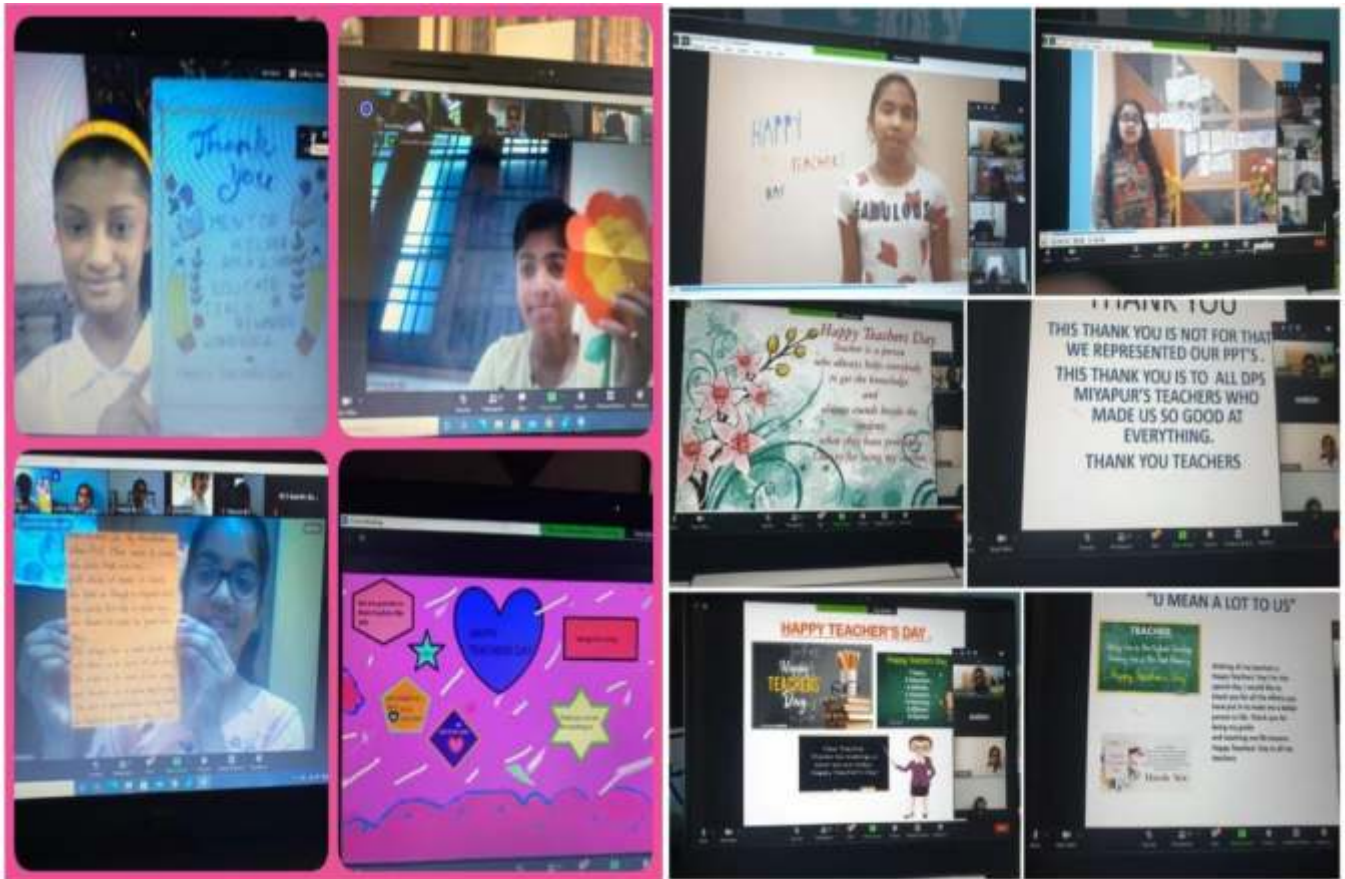
TEACHERS DAY CELEBRATIONS



WITH THE NUGGETS OF 4-C







TEACHERS

- **TEACHING** is a professions that **CREATES ALL OTHER PROFESSIONS**
- The teaching professions calls for a **TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF PATIENCE AND HARD WORK.**
- A child's life is molded by the **TEACHERS** that teach them and the parents who raise them.
- A **GOOD TEACHER** is a blessing of **GOD** upon us. He or she is the **BULWARK OF A NATION.**
- Behind every **SUCCESSFULLY PERSON** there is every time a **GREAT TEACHER.**

Teachers are the backbone of the world.

Teacher's Day

Dear Teacher's, Thank you for all the Amazing Things Classes and all the long long hours that you spend on us. Thank you for all the things that you teach us. Thank you for all the things that you do for us. Thank you for all the things that you do for us. Thank you for all the things that you do for us.

Why teachers are important?

- They make learning a fun.
- They encourage Students.
- They track Improvement & Set Performance Goals.



Dear teacher, you thought me inspired me, encouraged me Corrected me. With a beautiful smile Appreciated me, punished me But you were always there for me With a beautiful smile Which made me realise The fault I have done Thankyou oh great teacher For you effort and strain Some teachers are cool Some are skillfull



HAPPY TEACHERS DAY

WE LOVE YOU AND THE WAY YOU TEACH



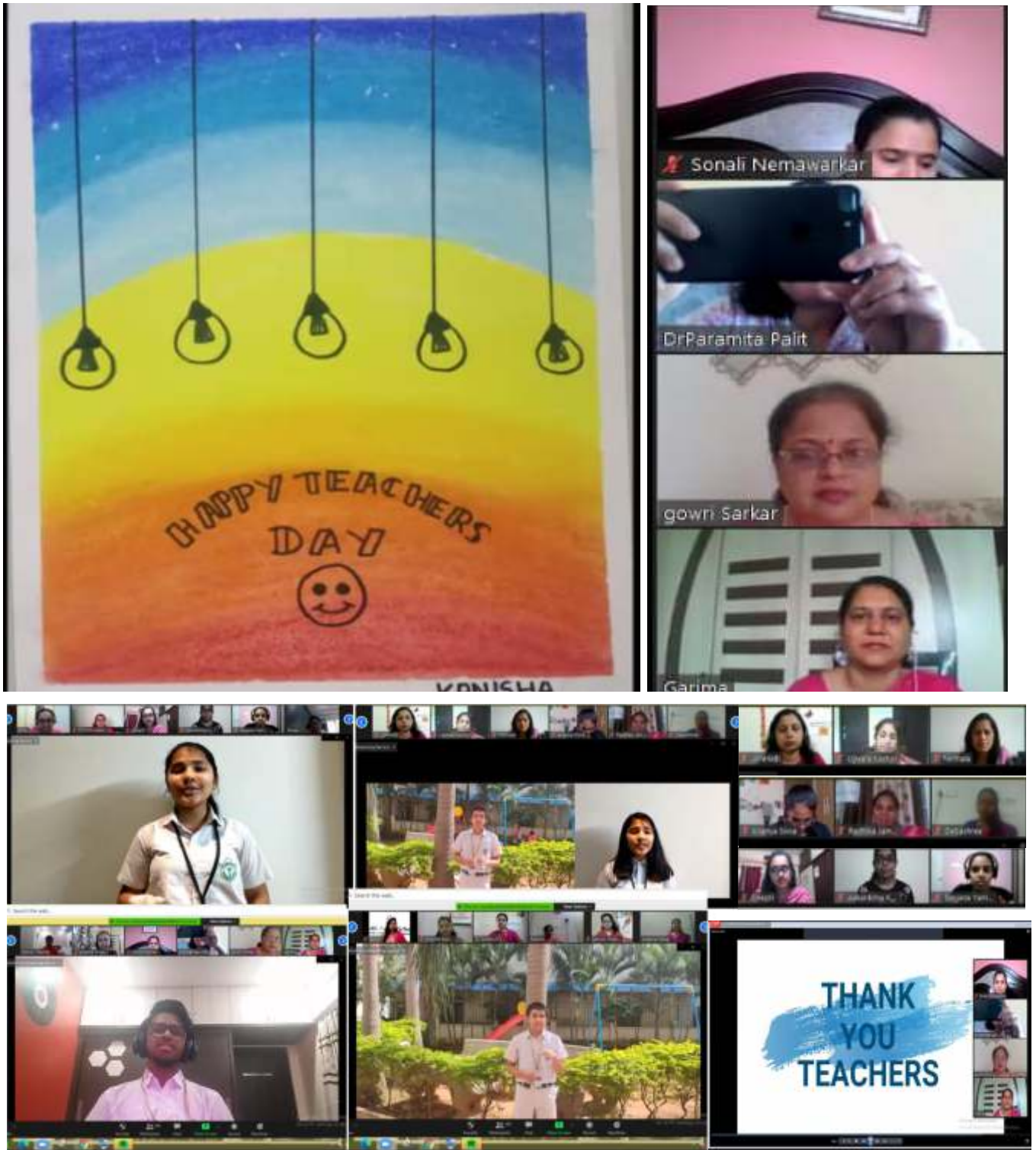
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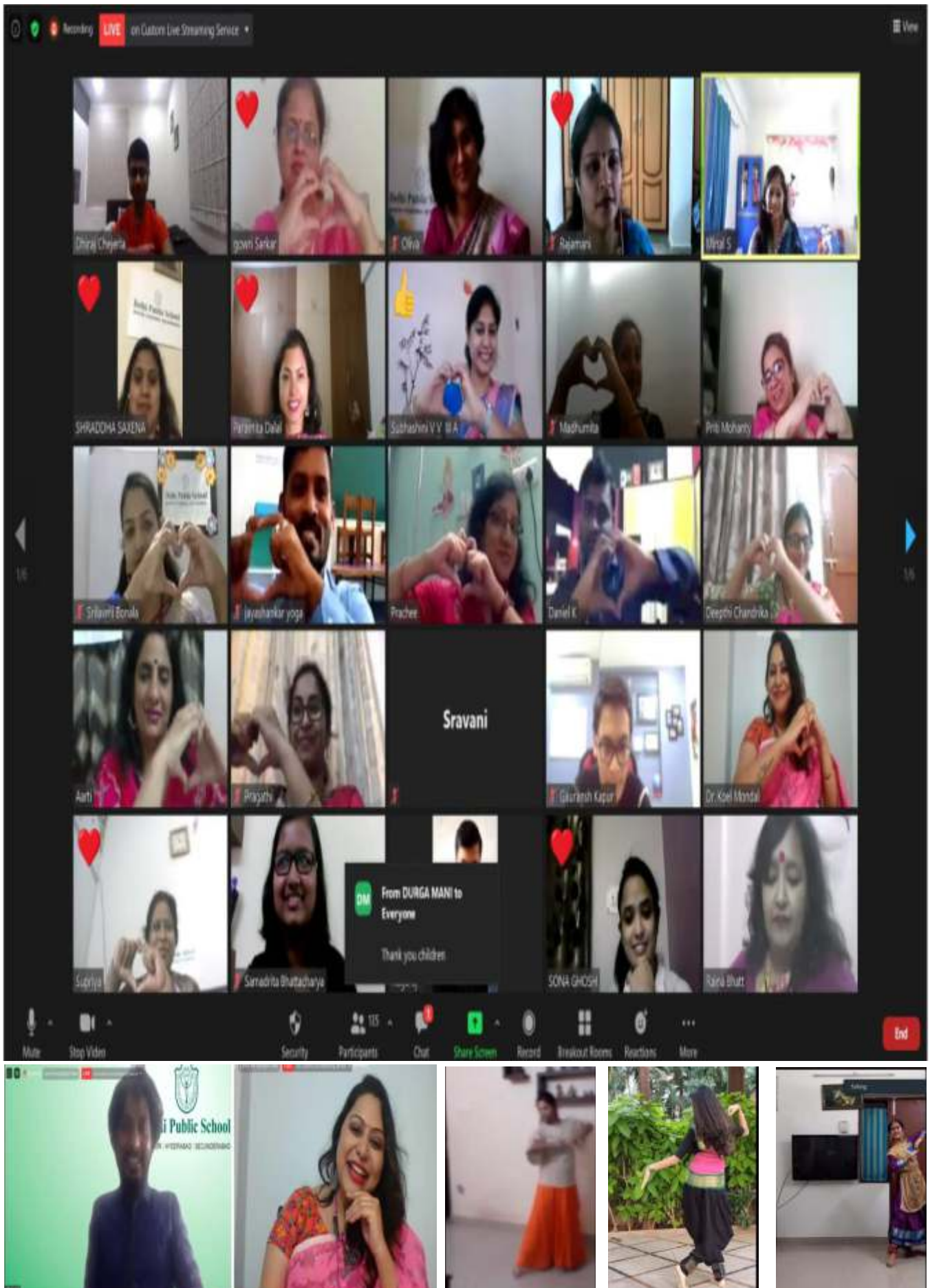


Grades 9 and 10 had yet another surprise for the teachers up their sleeves – Virtual Teachers' Day Celebrations 2020. On 12 September 2020, the event kick started with a melodious prayer song sung by our school choir, addressing the teachers as the true gifts of God. Then, Dhiraj Chejerla, the Head Boy, addressed the gathering with a speech and extended a warm welcome to all the teachers on behalf of the students. This was followed by an engaging talk show named – 'Tête-à-Tête with Teachers', conducted by students among several teachers present in the show. In this special segment, teachers were asked various questions based on numerous topics, starting from their online teaching experiences, to their everyday stories. It was certainly an eye-opening experience to be part of so many tales of teachers, intertwined with emotions of nostalgia and bittersweet happiness.

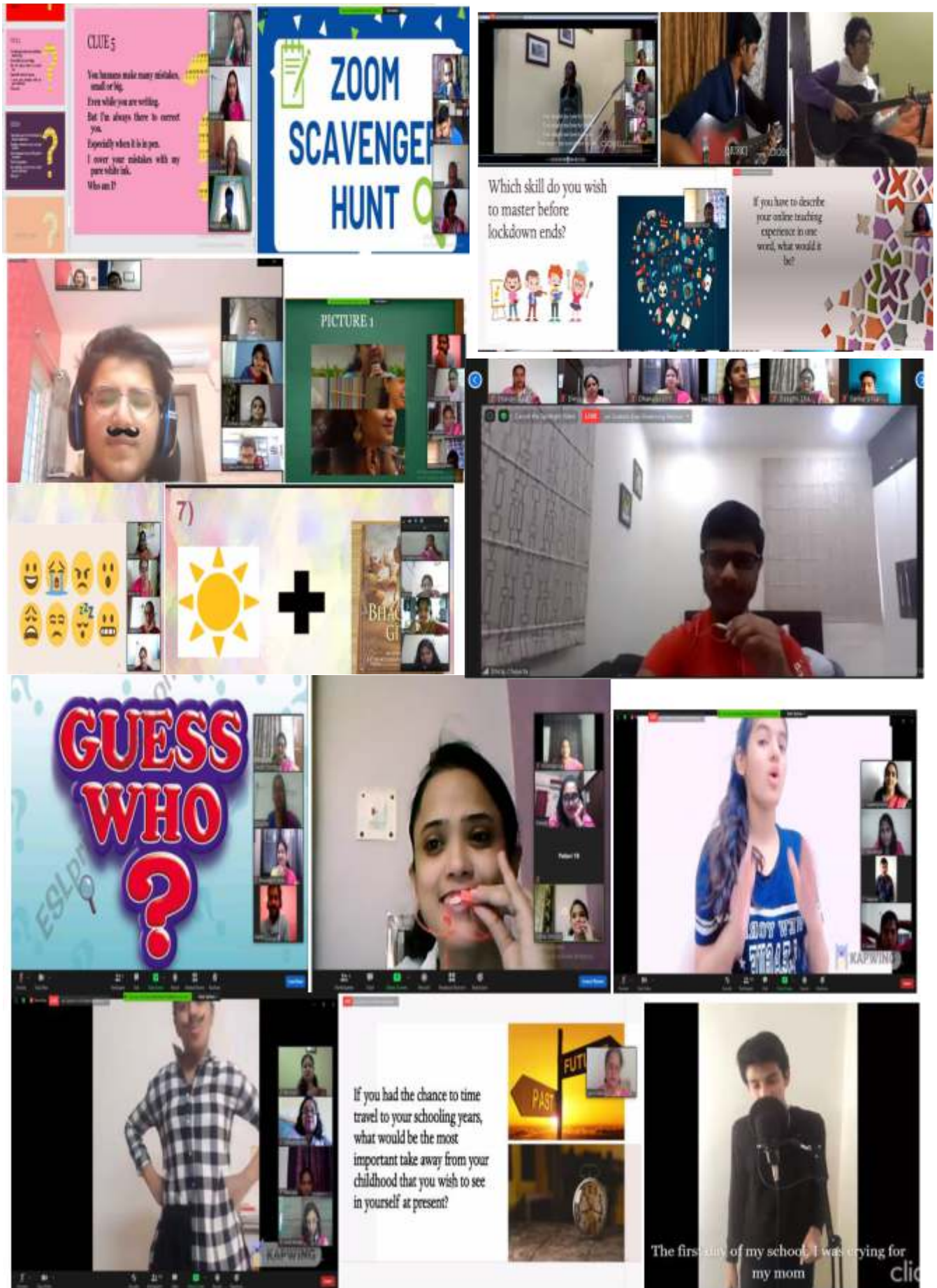
Next performance was a thrilling song presentation appreciating our hardworking teachers, composed and edited by our very own students. The teachers were amazed at the talents of our lyricists and composers, as they were overwhelmed by the strong emotions of love and affection that were conveyed through the melody made by the students. After hearing this scintillating blend of delightful and divine music, teachers were taken on a walk through 'Simpleton Academy', where all kinds of students were found, but with exceptional personalities. These students were faced with a huge problem, and their navigation through this situation to solve the problem was presented through a short skit. The teachers had a great time as the skit was truly a treat for the eyes. Next, a rejuvenating and refreshing experience waited for the teachers, as the students presented to them- 'Mission Stress-buster: The Battle of the Breakout Rooms, 2020' – an array of fun and mind boggling games. Teachers had a gala time trying to guess the right answers and securing points for their respective breakout rooms. After the first session of games, a small break was taken with the presentation of a hilarious 'stand-up comedy' performance that certainly made everyone burst into peals of laughter. This was followed by the second session of games, and teachers rolled up their sleeves to guess the answers correctly in order to secure the highest points for their breakout rooms. After a series of neck-to-neck competitions, Samadrita Bhattacharya, the Head Girl, rendered the vote of thanks.

The programme was concluded on an invigorating note with an electrifying dance performance, expressing gratitude towards our beloved teachers. All the teachers' hearts were filled with glee with this virtual celebration. They were very appreciative of the impeccable teamwork, coordination in terms of spotlighting and screen sharing, technological capabilities with respect to flawless video and audio editing, and most importantly, the flurry of creative and innovative spirits that were showcased by the students and that made this event great and memorable. Every teacher certainly had a spectacular experience, and their happiness, pride and priceless smiles, truly proved Virtual Teachers' Day celebrations 2020 to be a grand success!









INTERNATIONAL LITERACY DAY



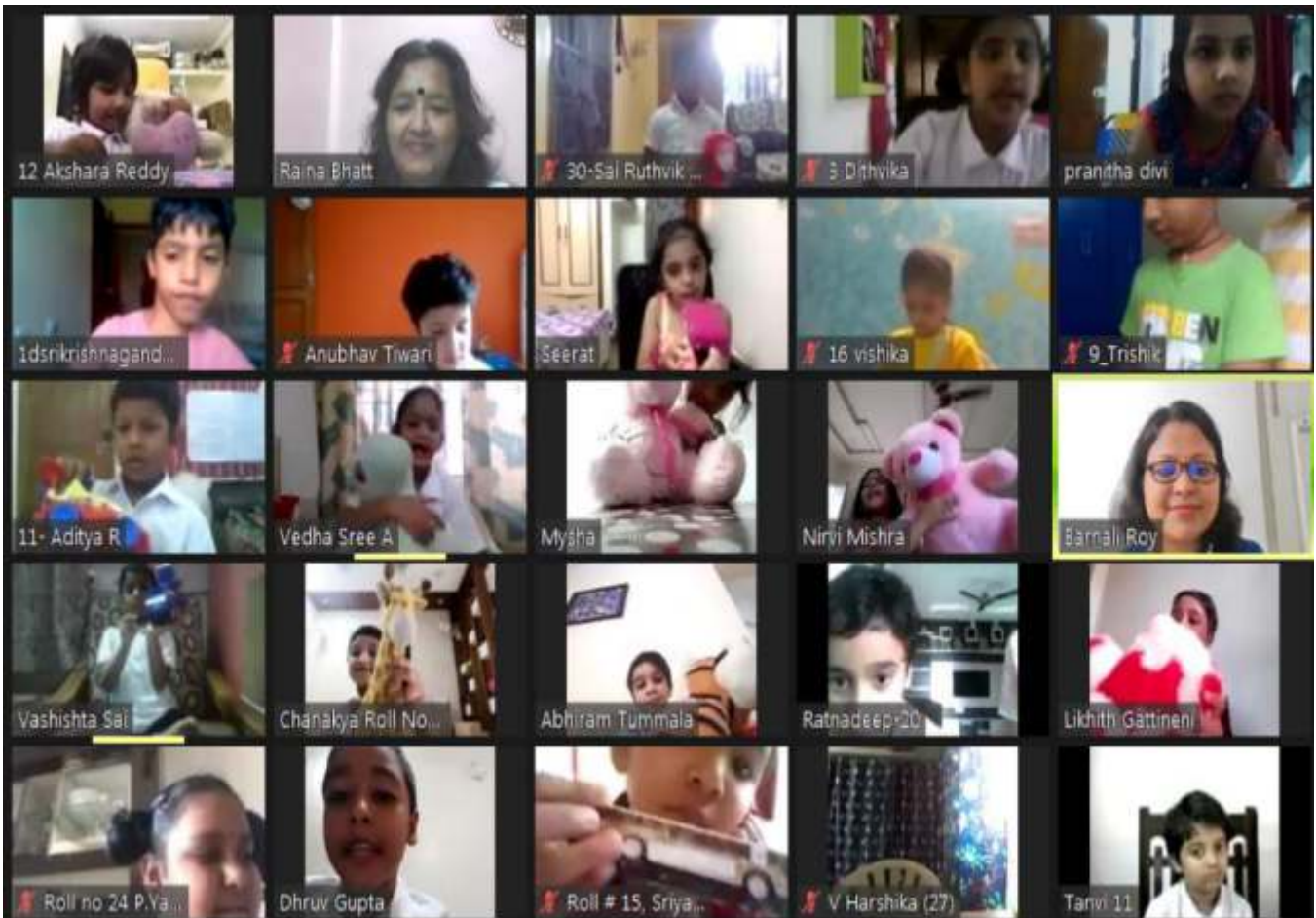
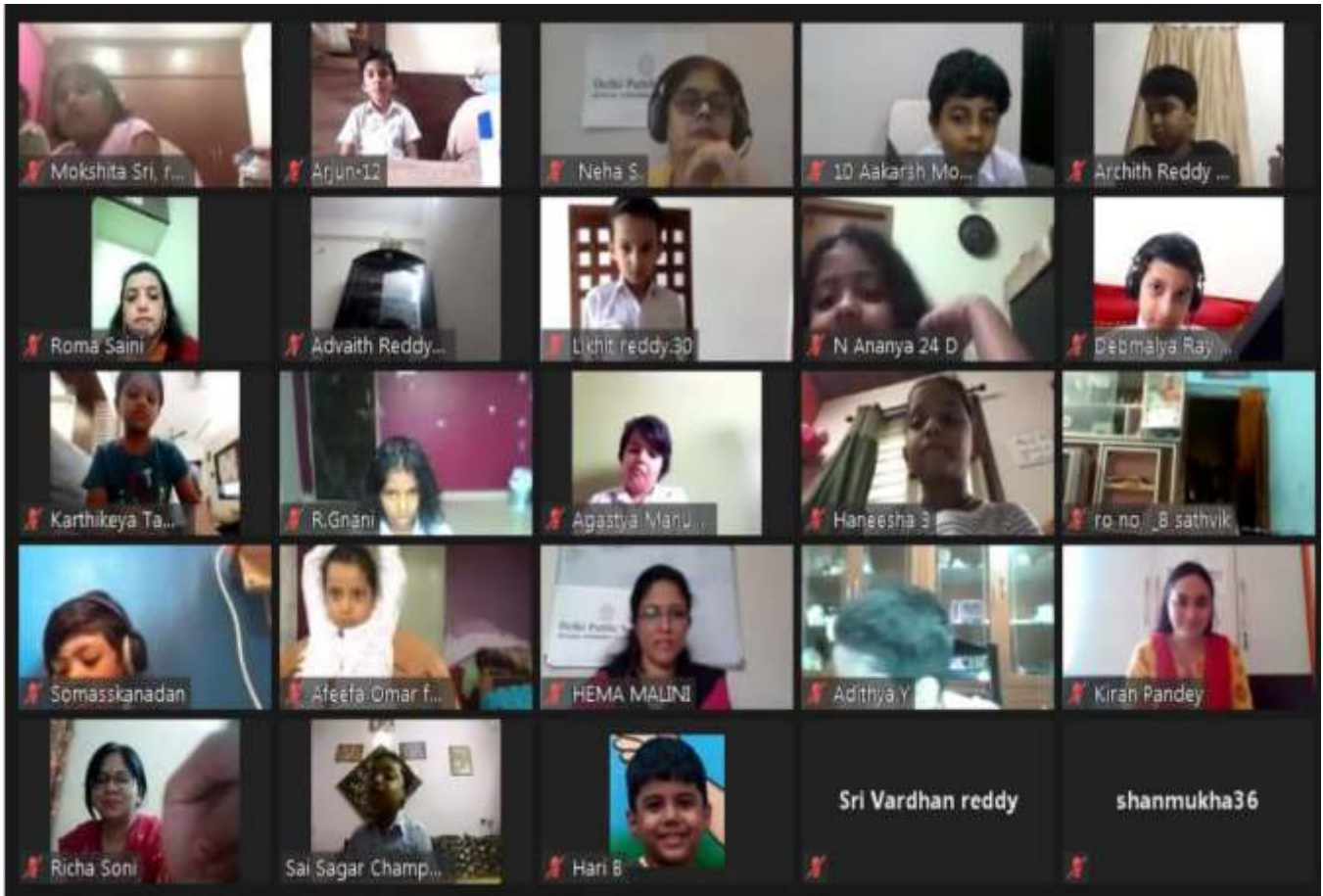
Literacy is the road to human progress
and the means through which every man,
woman and child can realize his or her full potential.

- Ko Annan

8th September is celebrated as International Literacy Day all around the world. It was at the 14th session of UNESCO's general conference in 1966, when the first-ever International Literacy Day was declared, and since then it has been celebrated annually on September 8, in an effort to highlight the importance of literacy of individuals and communities around the world. This day is celebrated to promote human attention towards literacy and to know their rights for social and human development. In India, the day focuses on raising awareness and reminding people of the importance of literacy as an integral part of dignity and human rights. On this notable day at DPS Miyapur, we take up activities to encourage students to read books other than their text books. This year, this esteemed occasion was graced by the presence of Ms. Vani Balaraman from Oracle, India, in collaboration with Pratham Books Publication, in a campaign named "One Day, One Story". In this special initiative, they organized a story session for the students of Grades I, II and III on 9th, 10th and 11th September, 2020. The students were distributed into 6 groups and there were 6 sessions held in all. Each engaging session of stories was followed by mind-boggling activities like word puzzle and quizzes based on the stories narrated. Ms. Vani and her excellent team of profound story tellers - Ms. Barnali Roy, Ms. Srividya, Ms. Santi, Mr. Arpan Bannerji and Mr. Sriram, truly captivated the audience with their exciting story narrations. The icing on the cake was when kids were asked to narrate stories of their own as well, making them thoroughly enjoy this unique and unforgettable learning experience.

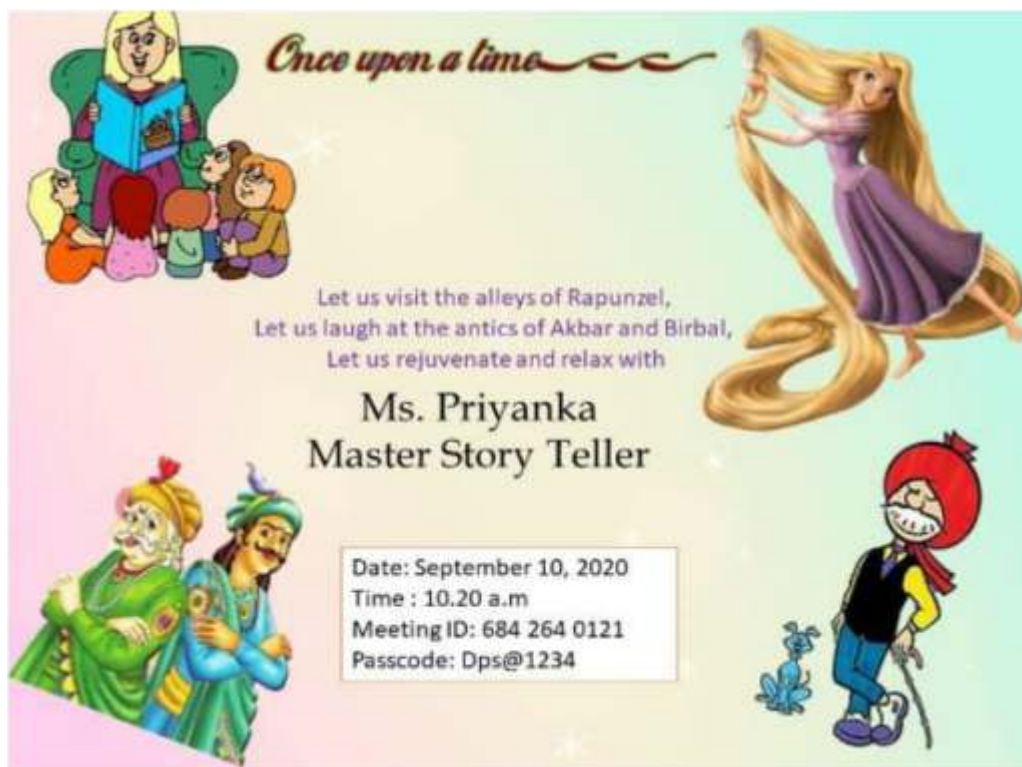




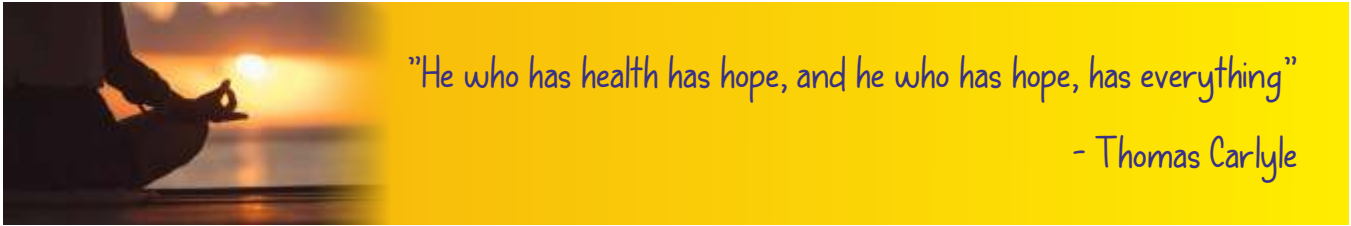


“Storytelling is the most important tool to put ideas in world.” A story telling session was also arranged for the students of grade 4 during the celebrations of Literacy week. It is true that stories boost the listening skills, enhance the imagination and increase the cultural understanding.

Ms Priyanka Wadhvani narrated the story of Ms SudhaMurthy (Five spoons of Salt) and mesmerised the students with her expressions and intonations. The session relaxed and rejuvenated the students and teachers equally.



#SwasthDPSMasthDPS# Freedom Series



The second edition of #SwasthDPSMasthDPS Freedom Series was as unique and refreshing as ever. Teachers shared their recipes of the popular modak, with a healthy twist, and a delectable South Indian rasam. In the active break video, students performed a dynamic zumba routine, while the PET department showcased various warm-up exercises, strengthening exercises followed by a peaceful session of pranayam. This initiative truly helps us by not only boosting our health, but also in lifting our spirits in these trying times. We must remember that all the wealth in this world cannot buy us back good health, so it is truly a priceless treasure that we all must strive to take care of.



"The food that you eat can be the safest form of medicine and the slowest form of poison." A session was held on the Zoom platform for Grade V students with a renowned nutritionist on 11th Sept 20. This initiative was taken to further the cause of our Swasth DPS Mast DPS curriculum. On this note, we were honored to have Ms. Manjusha, Clinical Dietician and Nutritionist, and Expert in Prenatal and Postnatal Nutrition amongst us for the session. She gave a

scintillating presentation to students about the importance of healthy food intake and answered some questions raised by students about the same. She spoke on vital topics such as the type of food one needs to take for breakfast, lunch and dinner. She also threw light on the kind of food intake that needs to be avoided, such as caffeine. The doctor's expertise and knowledge in the area of nutrition added a great value in our endeavor in maintaining a healthy and balanced lifestyle. It was truly an enriching experience.

The screenshot shows a PowerPoint slide titled "optimum Weight During Pregnancy". The slide features a scale and a bar chart. The bar chart lists the following data:

Weight gain	Value
Normal	12.5 kg
At risk	12.5-20 kg
Over	20-35 kg
Too much	35 kg

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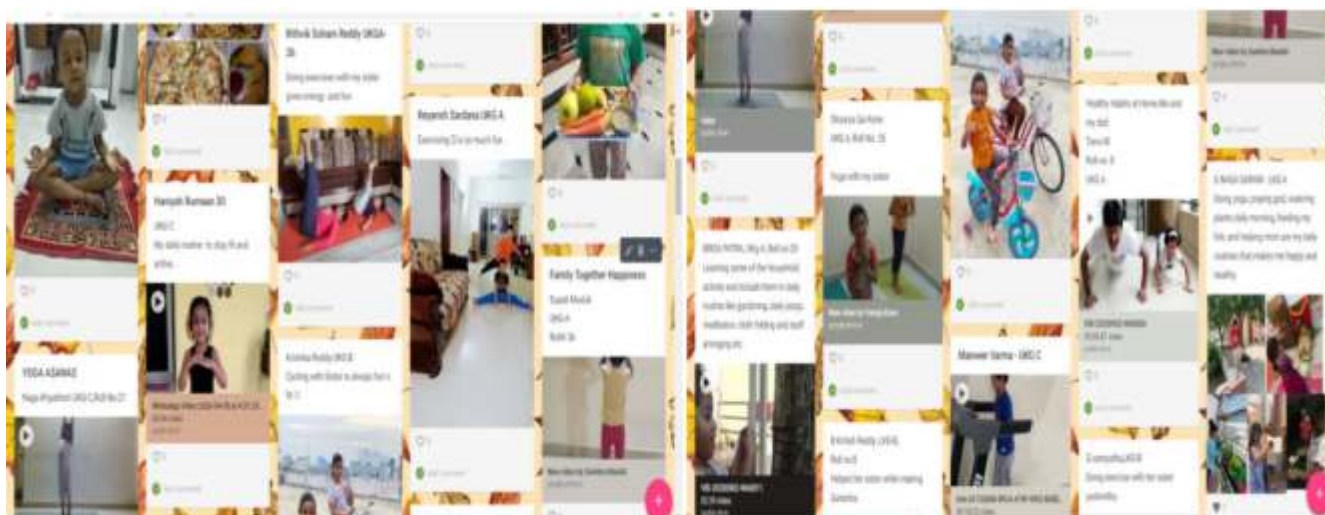
To the right of the slide is a grid of 12 video call participants, each in their own window.

The screenshot shows a PowerPoint slide titled "Benefits of healthy diet". The slide features a large white number "4" and a photograph of a young girl eating fruit. The text "Benefits of healthy diet" is written across the slide.

To the right of the slide is a grid of 16 video call participants, each in their own window.

The screenshot shows a PowerPoint slide titled "Energy Requirements". The slide features a blue background with the text "Energy Requirements" and "Energy - Sources". Below the text are four images: a bowl of fruit, a globe, a plate of food, and a bowl of soup.

To the right of the slide is a grid of 12 video call participants, each in their own window.



“Good food, good people, good times.”

Carrying on with the Breakfast with Buddies concept that was set into motion the previous month, the Fridays of September were complete with special menus, ensuring that fun and food with friends on Friday encourages students to have a perfectly balanced diet. Every Friday is characterized by well-thought out, unique menus, taking breakfast breaks to a whole new 'virtual' level. The month kick started with recipes revolving around National Nutrition Week with the special ingredient: coconut. The following Friday was no less interesting with North Indian recipes, dedicated to Hindi Diwas. Inspired by World Ozone Day, the next on the list for Breakfast with Buddies was efficient cooking and natural food recipes. No wonder Friday is much awaited! The students had loads of fun exploring different recipes with their parents and the aesthetic presentation of the dishes was certainly a feast for the eyes. Be it via screen or otherwise, the Breakfast with Buddies has played its part in connecting students and teachers alike through a practice as simple and profound as sharing a meal.



**From the
delicious
North Indian
Cuisines of 9A!**



'Teachers can change lives with just the right mix of chalk and challenges but we did it with some kitchen ingredients.'



Preschoolers are notoriously picky eaters and bringing them into the kitchen to cook can help them to open up to new taste. Kids learn by exploring their senses and cooking is the ideal thing to build that enticement and involvement. In order to introduce kids to new taste and encourage them to try tasting new ingredients and then talk about what they like and how healthy foods make our body grow, we gave them a platform to show what they can do so that they savor a taste of accomplishment. We taught and helped them to make or assemble sandwiches with vegetables and cheese, to taste it and explain how each ingredient tastes and what are its benefits.



INTERACT CLUB

“Competition is good, as long as it's healthy. That's what strives us to do better.”

Aligning with this thought and understanding the necessity of peace of mind and body in such testing times, Rotary international District 3150 (Hyderabad) had planned to conduct a series of fun and exciting competitions for students revolving around the theme of 'Peace.' Essay writing, quiz, elocution, song composition and poster making competitions were amongst the main events conducted with an aim to make the youngsters across the globe from the Think Tank to build peace and harmony.

The essay writing competition was a great forum for budding writers to enhance and express their ideas and views on the evolution and altercations that the word 'Peace' had survived through during the phases of transition of human history. The topic stirred excitement and exhilaration amongst students. The Rotarians were confronted with a gigantic response receiving over 500 entries from all across Hyderabad. This shows that there is no dearth of interest and passion in the future writers who are willing to impact the world positively with their writings.

A quiz was also held which beckoned news geeks to exhibit their mastery over the current affairs and happenings around us. The prelims were conducted through an interactive Zoom session on 20th September. The contestants were tested on their knowledge of subjects like important position holders, great leaders, and the burning issues which had the media on storm off late. Out of 32 teams, the top 6 managed to cross this hurdle and qualify for the final round on the very next day. A breathtaking and marvellous quizzing session, the Battle of the Titans awaited. We are very proud to announce that three teams from our school have secured the second and tied for the third position in the quiz.

Song composition competition, an out-of-the-box initiative by RI 3150, urged the musically inclined to compose a song on the theme- 'Harmony, Universal Love and Brotherhood.' The Rotary Team were flooded with entries which were so diverse in their very self but had the same unifying idea embedded in them. The competition was a grand success and was lauded by parents and students alike.

Poster Making competition was held to foster and nurture the artistic abilities of students. They were assigned to create a poster on Life Before and After the Coronavirus. Ideas and thoughts flowed from their mind to the paper like waves, ornamented and embellished by their flawless execution of these posters. The quality of the output was so good that even the Rotarians were in a fix and had a hard time narrowing down a final winner.

Elocution competition acted as a magnetic field to attract and congregate all talented speakers under one umbrella to speak their mind out and let their ideas on world peace inspire and enlighten others to follow this trail that they left on the sands of time.

Overall, RI 3150 had been successful in its mission to inspire the future generations to rethink and analyze their present knowledge on peace, and express it in a meaningful manner.

Our takeaway from participating in this event would be on how complex but subtly delicate peace is – much more complex than what meets the eye at first.

One word, or one action is all it takes to either make or break this cycle of peace. We all must pledge to try and maintain peace in our surroundings. We hope to take part in more such endeavors by Rotary International and thank them for providing us with such an everlasting memory.

The winners who made us proud:-

Quiz (senior category)

2nd place - Gowtham Killi from 9A and his fellow quizzer (from another school)

3rd place - Nitanshu Kaklavaram from 9B and Ankit Dash from 9A

3rd place - Tied with Abhinav AAvasarala from 10A and Vedant Tejas from 10A

Song composition

Gold medal - Akkshita B. of Grade 10A

Essay Writing

Gold medal - Diyaansh Reddy Kantareddy of Grade 9A

Bronze medal - Chejerla Dhiraj of grade 10A

Elocution

Gold medal - Viswaja Kandimalla of grade 10A

Bronze medal - Diyaansh Reddy Kantareddy of grade 9A

Poster Designing

Gold medal - Sanjana Pentapalli of grade VIII-C



The year 2020 has put the entire human race into unprecedented circumstances with the inception of the deadly Coronavirus. In spite of this, we have adapted and risen to the challenge like never before. The Interactors of DPS Miyapur were faced with a challenge as to how they would want to bring a change in the society amid such testing times. Inspired by the saying, 'Charity begins at home,' the Interactors, after a session of brainstorming, planned to plant a sapling in their apartments. This idea was approved by everyone as it would help the environment to replenish and rejuvenate. Since we are witnessing the paramount importance of good health, which is dependent on the environment around us, the Interactors went ahead and planted various plants such as chillies, cabbages and many others. The satisfaction and joy on the faces of Interactors truly connected us all, even if it was through a virtual medium. Here are some pictures of the myriad varieties of plants nurtured by the Interactors of DPS Miyapur:



OUR DAYS @ DPS MIYAPUR -VIRTUAL CLASS



"It is the supreme art of the teacher to awaken joy in creative expression and knowledge."

In the Preprimary level a new fun activity is introduced every day to the children. This time the tiny-tots were given an activity with paper balls. In this activity, two chairs were kept away and a bowl full of paper balls was kept in between the chairs. They had to keep an empty bowl on one of the chairs and sit on the other chair. Then they had to run to take a paper ball from the bowl kept down, sit on the second chair and throw it in the empty bowl which was kept on the other chair. All the children had actively participated. This activity makes a child quick, develops body balance, and strengthens the control of the mind over the body.

"Physical fitness is not only one of the most important keys to a healthy body, but it is also the basis of dynamic and creative intellectual activity."

-John F. Kennedy.

Ever since the online classes have started for the tiny tots, physical activities and warm-up sessions has been implemented as a part of the curriculum, as it helps in the overall development. Kids should start their physical activity routine with a warm-up, followed by a few exercises, which keeps them fresh and rejuvenated throughout the day. Every day after the prayer, the P.E. teacher takes up the warm-up session. Routine drills for the cute little kids include running and jogging on the spot, hopping, moving forth and back, touching the toes, jumping jacks, head rotation, arm rotation, ankle rotation, leg stretch, arms stretch, and whole-body stretch. These simple exercises help in making their body flexible and keep it balanced.

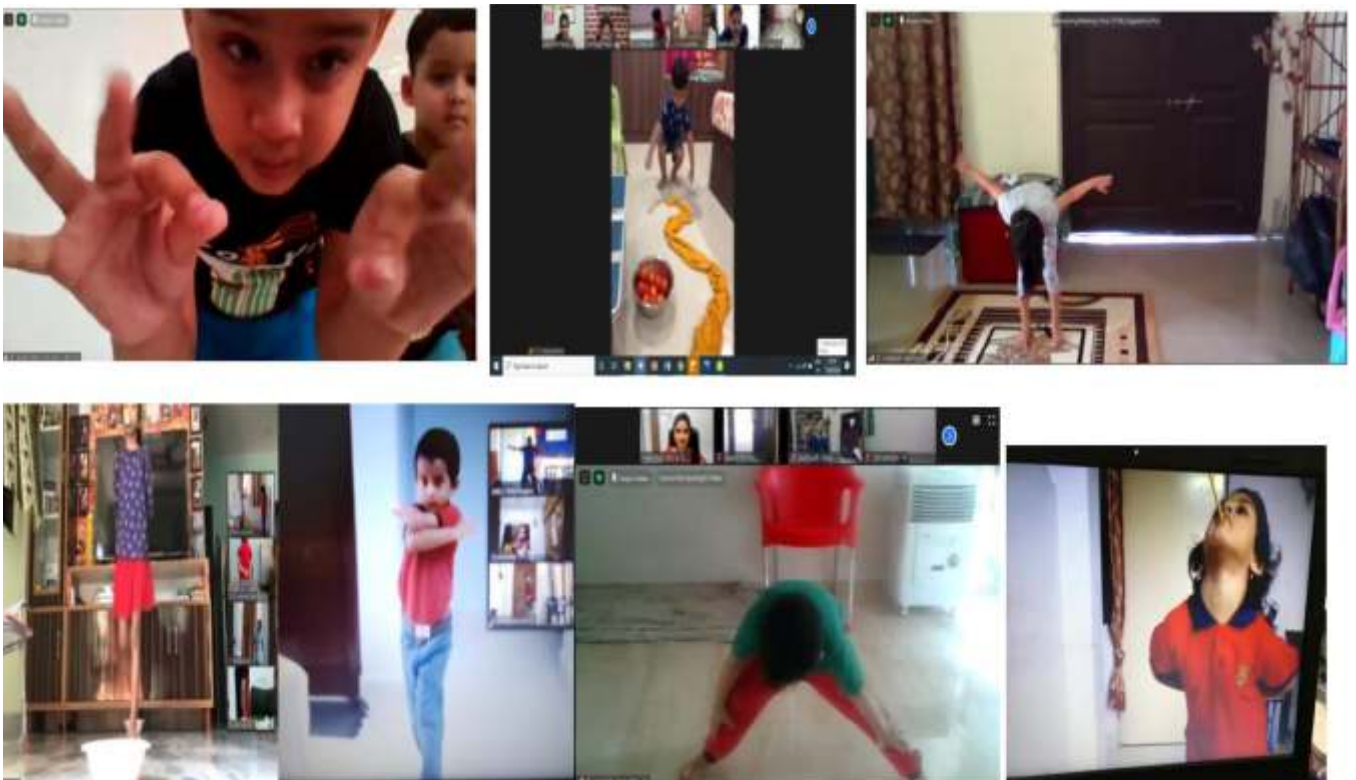


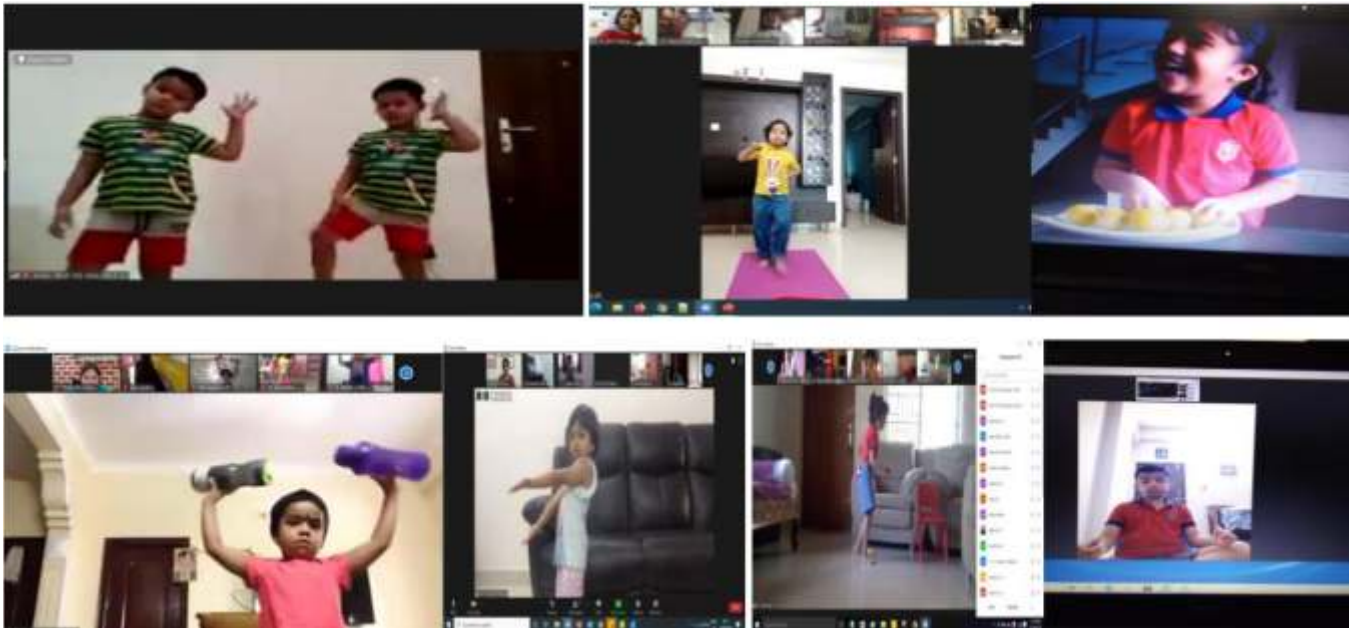
Prolonged exposure to the screen can strain the eyes. Keeping this in mind we at DPS MIYAPUR started Eye exercises which is our very unique initiative in our virtual classroom. It is the set of specific exercises that engage all of the ocular muscles that support eye movement. These exercises help improve the flexibility in these muscles and help students focus better. Common eye exercises include: deliberately and repeatedly looking up and down, then left and right etc. Human eyes are not supposed to be glued to a single object for extended periods of time. If you work at a computer for a long time, the 20-20-20 rule may help prevent digital eye strain. To implement this rule, every 20 minutes, look at something 20 feet away for 20 seconds. The little ones do the exercises sincerely.

The teacher demonstrates the eye exercises:

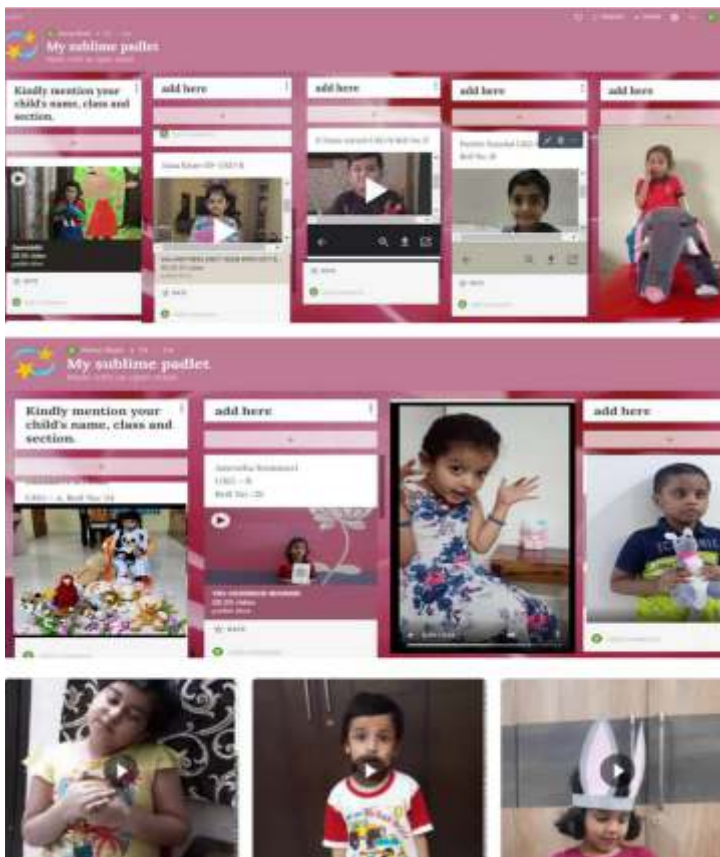


After the warm-up, the children engage in fun activities planned with materials that are available at their home. Numerous activities are done during our virtual classes. Few activities include vegetable sorting, cotton ball activity, paper ball activity, book balancing, etc. All these activities are designed to develop fine motor skills, build self-confidence, focus on their goals, and to provide an outlet for creativity and self-expression.





“Tell me and I'll forget!
 Teach me and I'll remember!
 Involve me and I'll learn.”
 -Benjamin Franklin



Children learn as they play. We at Delhi Public School, Miyapur believe in giving only the best and quality content to our children. Every concept is introduced in a unique way. Similarly, the concept of general awareness about the Animal World was introduced using animal soft toys and flash cards to our little munchkins. The young learners were engaged and electrified during the session as the teacher was at her best arousing their imagination while she explained the qualities of each animal and their sounds. Later, as a measure to check their understanding, speaking skills and vocabulary, the students were asked to speak 5-7 lines about their favourite animal and record a short video that had to be shared with us through a Padlet. The children have actively participated and showcased their favourite animal soft toy, wherein they have correlated the qualities of animals, animal products and their benefits that was taught to them during the virtual classes. This kind of

initiative gives children a platform to practice and embrace what they learn wholeheartedly.



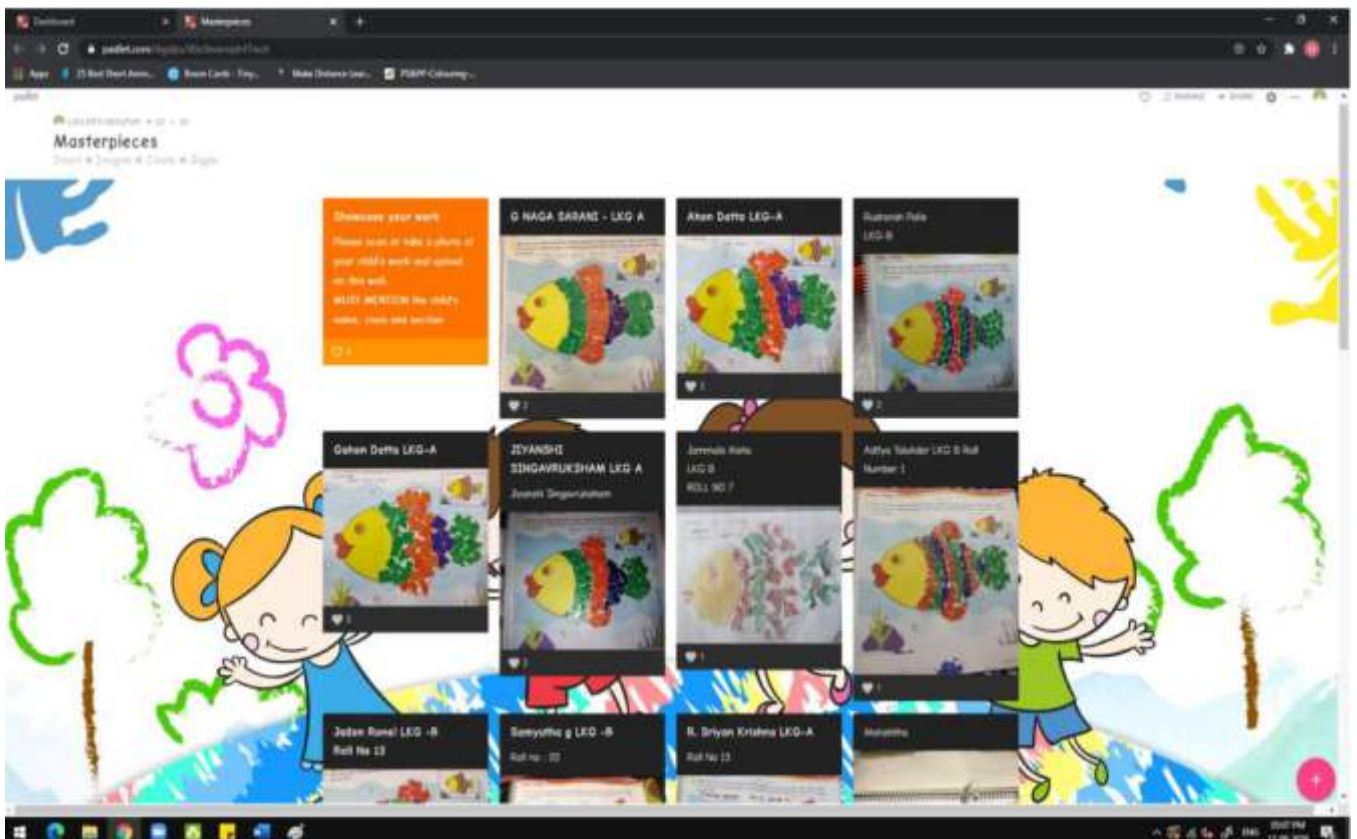
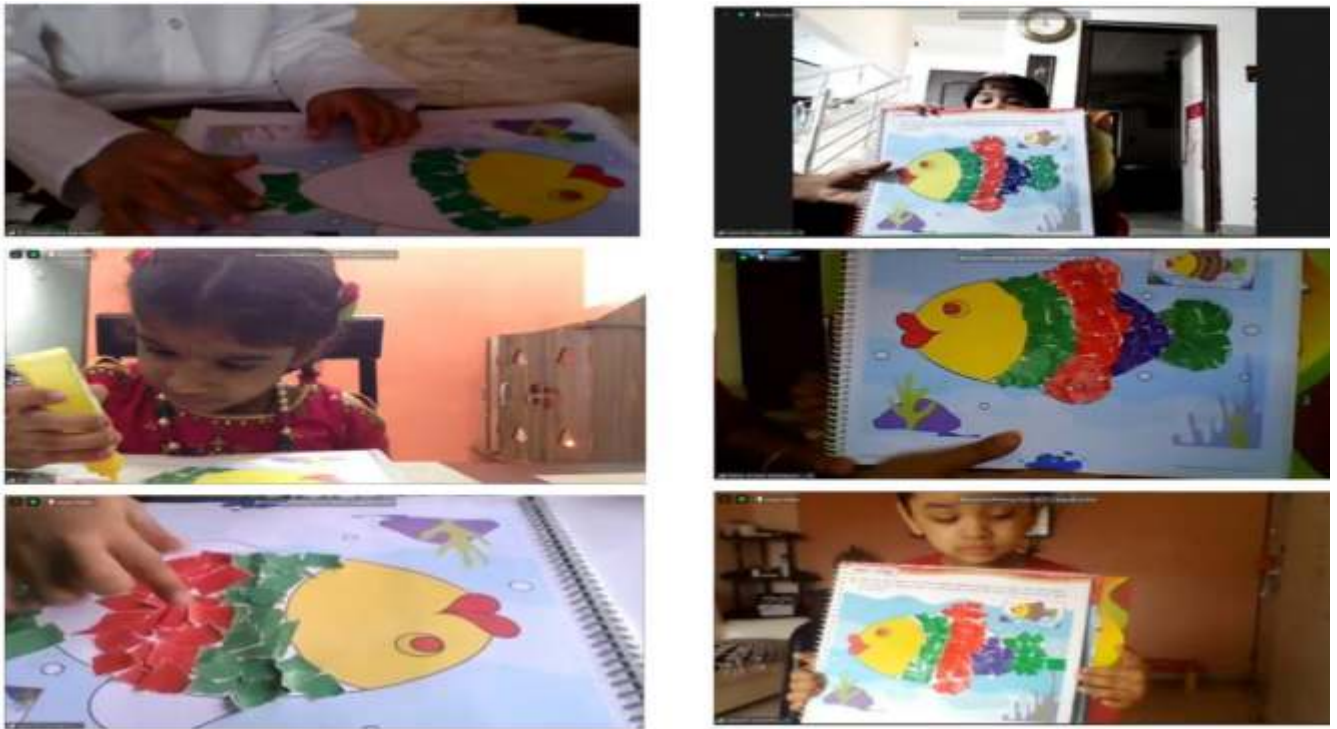
In the times of online classes, it is crucial to build a connection among the students, especially for children in LKG, as this is the initial stage wherein they start forming bonds with friends. While living in the new normal, the interaction among the students had become relatively less. To foster the feeling of togetherness, DPS has initiated the celebration of 'Buddy Day' every Friday. On this special day, children are encouraged to have breakfast together virtually during the recess. Children share their favorite breakfast and talk about it. The children build a good habit of eating their meals on their own in this manner. Moreover, children learn table-manners in the process. This activity occurs on every Friday with fantabulous themes.

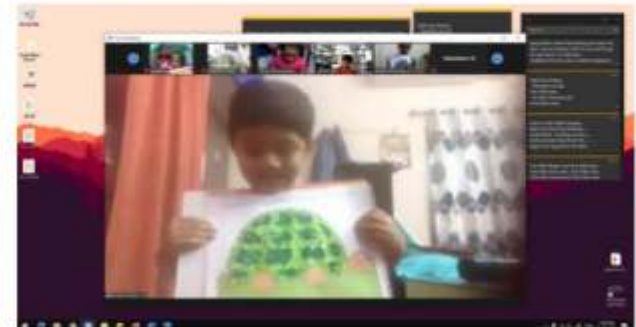


Creativity is inventing, experimenting, growing, taking risks,
breaking the rules, making mistakes, and having fun.

-Mary Lou cook

Children love to tear paper from an early age. Keeping this in mind, Tear and Paste activity was conducted for the children of LKG. Children tore coloured paper into tiny bits and pasted them in a picture of a tortoise and a fish, while meticulously taking care of the outlines. The objective was to strengthen their fine motor skills, in particular, the pincer grip, and to enhance their aesthetic sense. Children completed this activity with great enthusiasm. The photos of children pasting coloured bits of paper had been shared by the parents through a Padlet.





“Mornings are better when you talk to God first.”

The motto of DPS Society - "Service Before Self" has always inspired young minds and encouraged them to do good and be good! DPS always believes that when we pray for each other, something supernatural takes place. Morning prayers are the best way to say Good morning to God as it makes the student feel fresh, energetic, and spiritual, thereby keeping the mind refreshed with a lot of positivity. We start our day with a prayer followed by a shloka, word for the day, and then soul time. Soul time keeps the children focused through the daily practice of meditation. The calm and soothing music makes the child relaxed, which makes them feel the magical power of meditation, blended with divine music. Prayer is a way through which we can express gratitude and thankfulness for whatever we have in our life, instilling goodness in us.



The famous painter Pablo Picasso has said, “Every child is an artist.”

Happiness comes from creative efforts. Keeping this in mind, a Colour Dabble session was organized for LKG students. The session kick started with a quick rundown of instructions. Soon after that, kids were seen dipping their fingers in paints, to explore and experiment in elation. It was a delight to watch our tiny tots work with such ease with colors. Children thoroughly enjoyed dabbling with bright and beautiful colors and made the pictures come alive. Parents were instructed to take a snap or scan the child's work and upload it using a link sent through MCB App. The innocent creativity showcased by children as they blended one color with another, certainly formed a virtual sight like no other!



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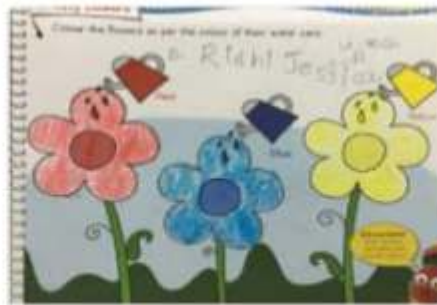
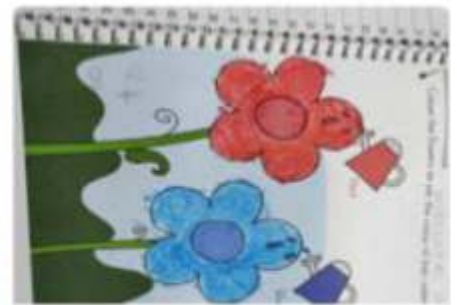
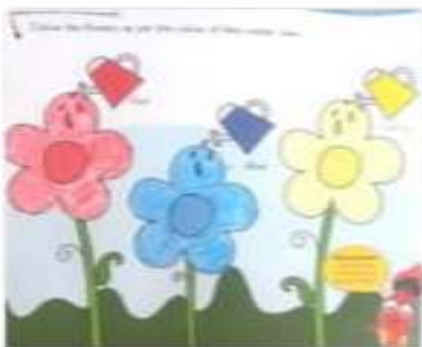


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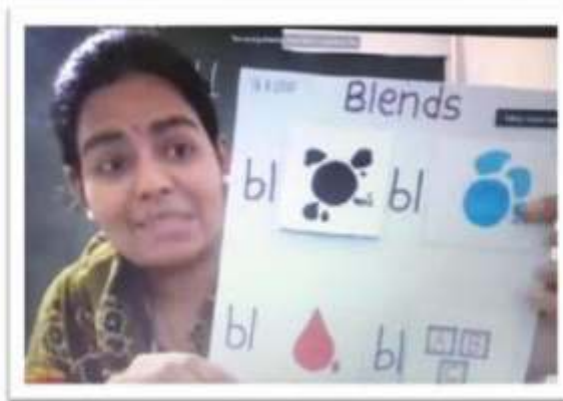
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In all the sections, teachers introduced the family words for vowels - a, e, i, o and u. Teachers planned different activities to teach the family words using an innovative idea. A wheel was made and different picture cut-outs as a base, having a family word in common, were used. Using a slit of paper, different letters were used to make a complete word. Teachers took old books /newspaper cutouts of different pictures and pasted on a chart /A4 size paper and made "a" and "an" model sticks to hold with one's hand. Through this method, teachers practically showed the children how to use 'a' and 'an' correctly for a given picture. Introduction to 'one' and 'many' was done by showing different available objects which are present in their surroundings like natural objects (fruits and vegetables) and concrete objects (pens, pencils, crayons, sharpener, erasers).

This model helped children engage in the classroom fervently, and to learn more new family words easily in a practical way.





Subject: English
Concept: 'A' or 'An'

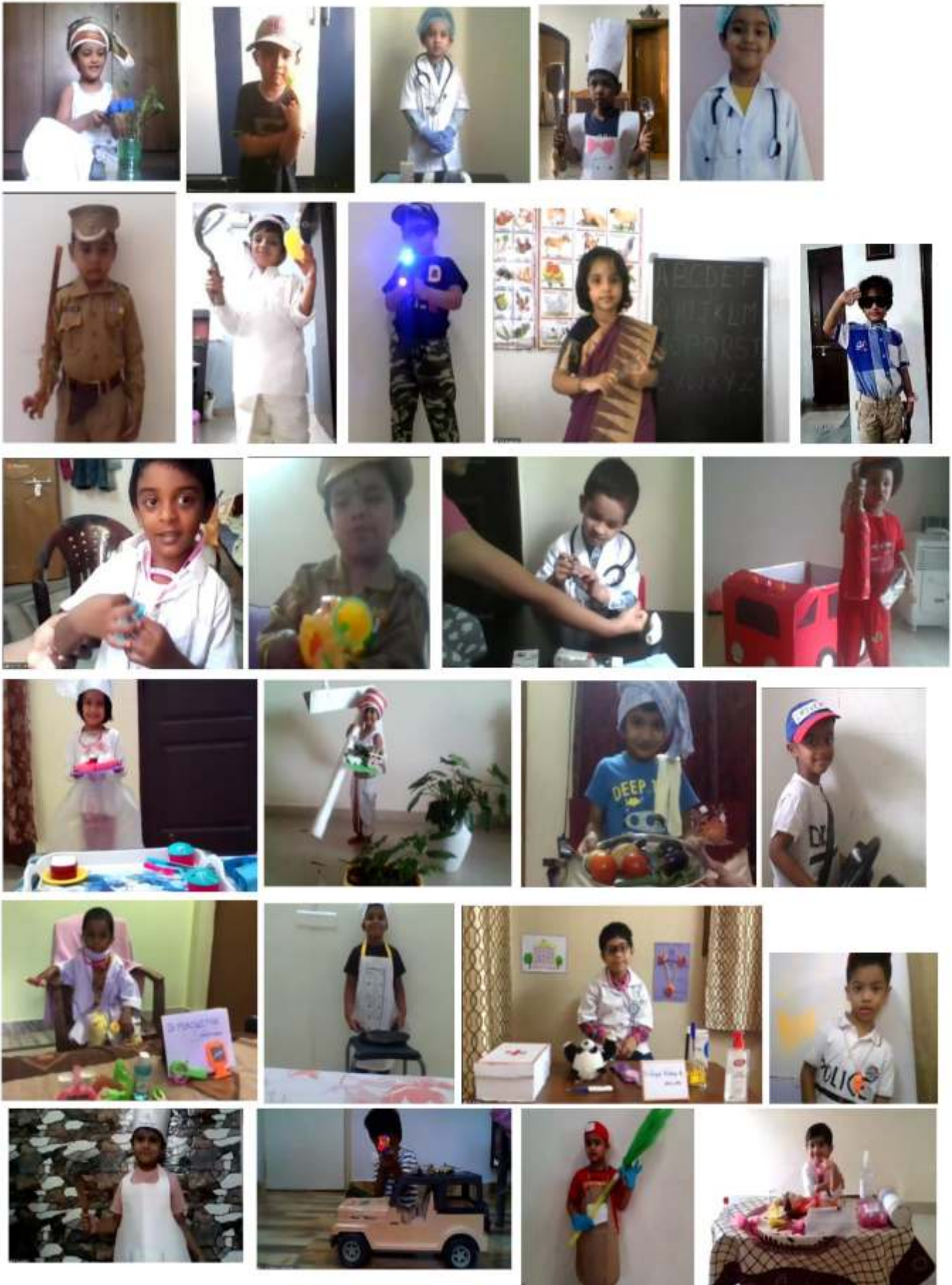
In UKG, teachers prepared an activity on A4 size paper, wherein they used pictures which together make a common sound, and she used another strip of paper and hid the word for the child to guess the missing word from the given picture. By this method children were able to quickly grasp the new words for their vocabulary. The very next day children were ready with the 'blends' activity and were able to read out the new words. Teachers prepared crocodile models for 'greater than' and 'less than' signs. By showing these signs with real and concrete objects, teachers explained to the children that always the crocodile's opened mouth side meant 'greater than' and closed side meant 'less than'. By this practical way of teaching, children enjoyed themselves and were able to answer the questions asked by their teacher. The very next day children were ready with the crocodile models and were also able to present the models while explaining the concept very clearly.



Teachers introduced the concept of wild and domestic animals by asking simple questions like the name of the animal, categorisation of the animals as wild, domestic or pet animal, and their respective habitats. Teacher showed different flash cards of animals, made a collage of wild, domestic and pet animals and asked the children to identify the name of the animal and their sounds. Also, teachers asked the children to show their animal toys for the next day, where each child was ready with the toy and described their toys with utmost exuberance.



Dressing up is one of the best ways of impersonation. The kids actively took part in an activity named "Dress Me Up". The topic for this month's Dress Me Up Activity was "Community Helpers". The Students dressed up as Farmer, Doctor, Teacher, Mason, Carpenter etc. Each child spoke a few lines on the Community Helper they showcased through their costume while also displaying the relevant tools and equipment used by the helper. By getting to know our Community Helpers, children did not only understand the activities done by the community helpers but also got inspired by those who work to make our world a better place to live!

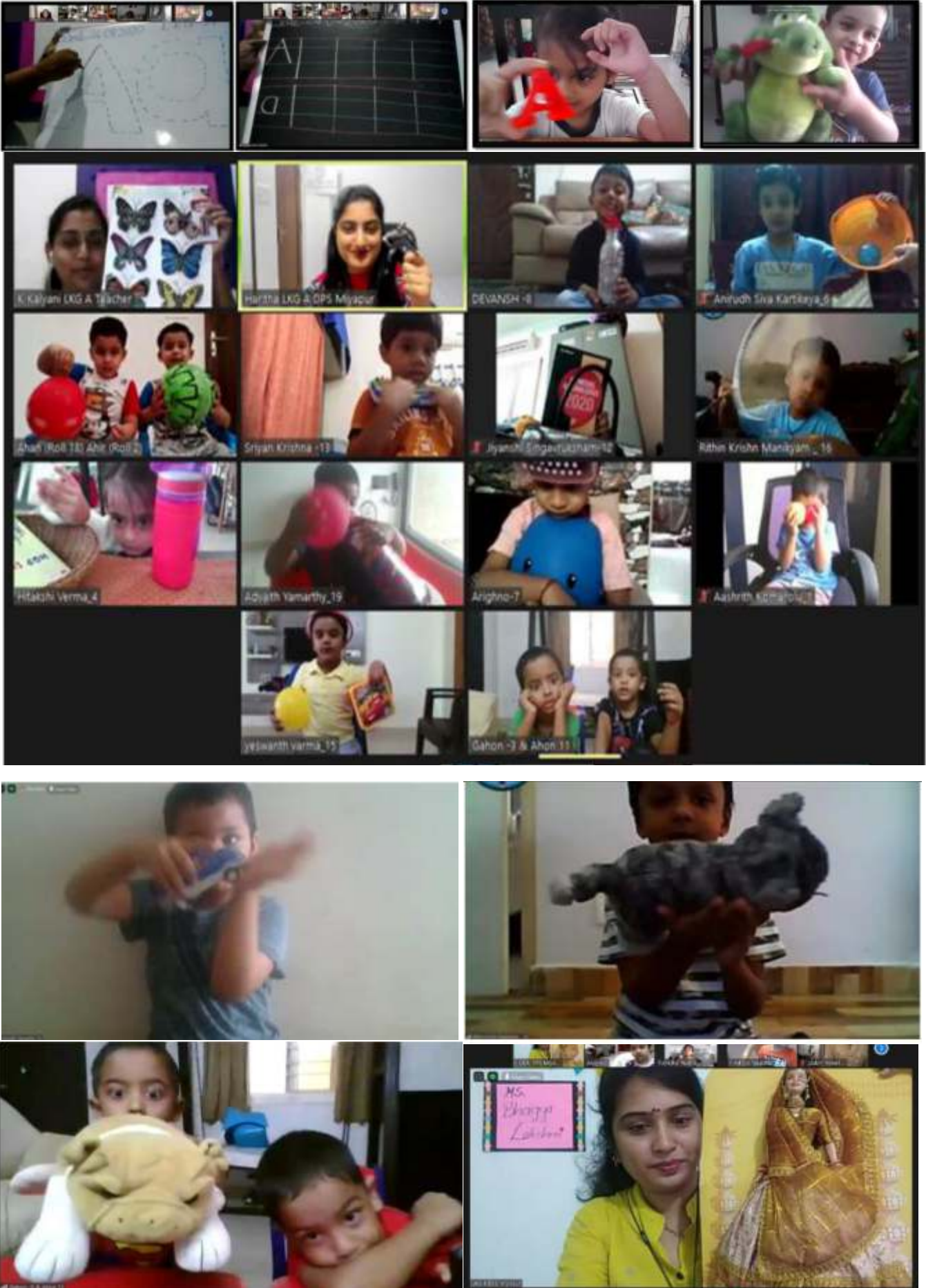


Birthday is not just a celebration, but is defined by the joy and happiness that it embodies. We in DPS celebrate a student's birthday virtually by singing/playing the birthday song. Students wish their friends in their own ways by showing greeting cards. Teachers present a virtual birthday cap to the birthday child. This whole idea is aimed to make the children feel special and connected with one another, even while not sharing the same physical space. It is amazing to note that these occasions bring to the surface the talent of a child. It is heartening to watch a little Dipsite playing the birthday song for her classmate on her keyboard. In this manner, every birthday becomes a special and enjoyable day not only for the birthday girl/boy, but also for the entire class!



Teaching the alphabet and numbers forms the core of what is done in LKG for many months together. The best ways to teach kids the alphabet is through stories, identifying letters in their names, introducing letters related to objects around, conducting hidden letter activities, salt tray tracing and scavenger hunt for the things that start with the letter introduced on a particular day. Such fun and conceptualized activities were conducted among students to give them an overview of the letters of the alphabet!







Pre-Math concepts refer to those activities that develop a child's understanding towards quantification of things around them. Although this is a time taking process, each small step taken by a child marks a huge improvement in their initial comprehension of mathematics. Aligning with this idea, exercises such as counting everyday objects at home, identifying differences between big and small, full and empty, long and short, more and less, near and far, heavy and light, above, middle and between, through concept stories and hand puppets were conducted among students that opened the doors to a completely new and mesmerizing subject named Math! Shapes such as rectangle, square, triangle and circle were taught to students by displaying everyday objects having these corresponding shapes. Application of this concept was tested among kids through a pasting activity in their scrap books. Numbers were also introduced to students through fun concept videos.





Students of Class 1 had a series of fun activities lined up for this month.

An interesting Hindi activity named Show 'n' Tell was organised for the students of Grade 1. Activity-based learning plays an important role in the holistic development of students. It helps them to retain information and build confidence. The topic for the activity was 'maatras ke shabd'. All the students carefully listened and learned the different words associated with each 'maatras'.



Knowing about family heritage can provide children with an important connection with their own identity. A family tree allows children to see how each family member is related to them. This will give the child an idea of where they truly come from. Keeping this in mind, a classroom discussion on different types of families was conducted for Class - I to strengthen their verbal and public speaking skills. The students who opted for Telugu as their 2nd language participated in this activity. In the virtual classes, they were asked to speak a few lines in Telugu about their family. Students enthusiastically participated in the activity. They even showed their family members' pictures to the rest of the class. This activity helped children to develop their verbal communication skills, enhance their social skills and boost their self-confidence to speak in public.



A Show 'n Tell activity on Fruits and Vegetables was organized for Class - I to strengthen their verbal and public speaking skills. The students who opted for Telugu as their 2nd language participated in this activity. They were asked to bring any fruit or vegetable of their choice that was available at home to the virtual class and speak a few lines in Telugu about it. They were excited to share their descriptive narration and waited eagerly for their turn to show 'n' tell.



On 3rd September, Onam, the harvest festival of Kerala, was celebrated. For this, the music department of our school made a video which was shown to the kids during the virtual class. .



Every year on September 5th, Teacher's Day is celebrated in remembrance of Dr.Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan. The celebrations happened even this year, but virtually. Children surprised their teachers by making beautiful cards and speaking a few words in appreciation of their teachers.

To enhance speaking skills, teachers of Grades 1&2 give the students a topic everyday based on which the students come prepared to speak a few lines. This happens in English and Second Language classes.



On 14th September, Hindi Diwas was celebrated, for which a video was made and played in all the classes, importance of the National Official language – Hindi, was explained.

Students of Grade 2 actively participated in a Hindi activity, wherein they were instructed to show different things and determine whether they were singular or plural. It helped to build understanding about 'ekvachan-bahuvachan'. They spoke with immense confidence. The children enjoyed the activity by showing different things related to the topic. They took part in the activity wholeheartedly. The main objective of the activity was to make the children understand the concept through fun activities.



A Show & Tell activity was organized for Class 2 to strengthen the verbal skills and to foster public speaking competency of the young minds. The students, who opted Telugu as their 2nd language from class 2 participated in this activity. They were informed to bring a favorite fruit of their choice to the virtual class and speak a few lines in Telugu about it. They were excited to share their descriptive narration and waited eagerly for their turn to show and tell. The activity helped children to develop their verbal communication skills, enhanced their social skills, and helped them improve their self-confidence to speak in public.



Students of Grade 3 : It is crucial that the practice of writing, especially that of stories, is ignited in young minds, given that it is one of the most powerful ways of putting ideas into the world. Aligning with this thought, a myriad of story writing activities took place for Grade 3 during the virtual classes. The elements of a story were introduced practically through a palm activity. The young learners became familiar with story writing through a story mapping activity as well as an enjoyable story telling session. Combining tech with tales, the students, with the guidance of their teachers, created a short story sample using the Augmented Reality feature.



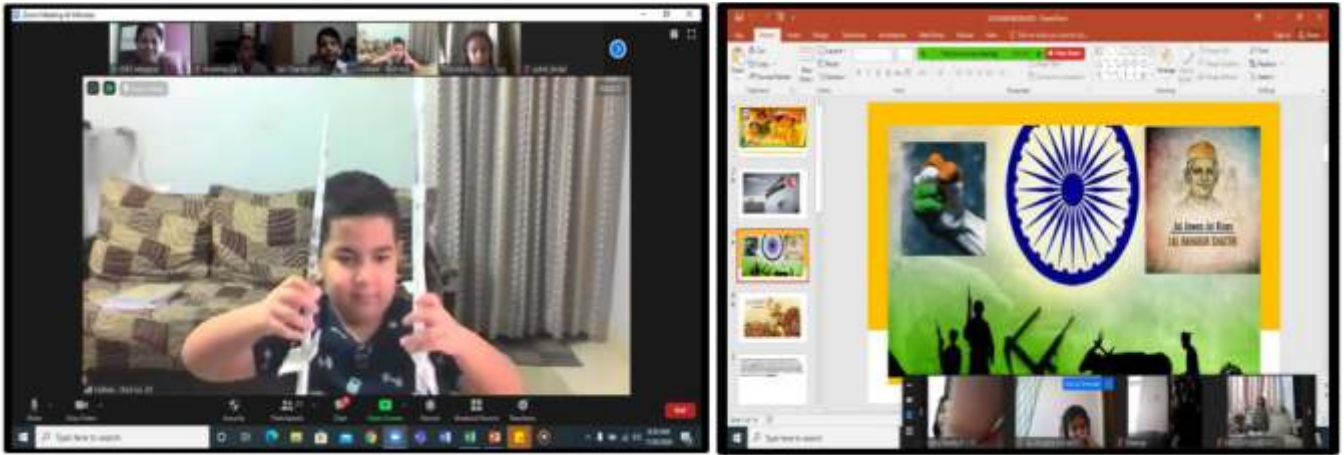
Students shared their creative drawings and constructed their own stories during Stories during Story Telling Activity.

“Creativity is making marvelous out of the discarded.”

The creative skills of our young learners in Grade 3 were truly put to the test in this Best Out of Waste activity. Using only materials from around the house, the students put together organ models. This activity sparked interest and intellectual curiosity among them, while giving them hands-on experience. The students showcased their work in class and also uploaded the snapshot in padlet wall, the link shared by the class teacher.



The children of Grade 3 were enlightened through a series of activities associated with slogans of our Indian Freedom Fighters. Inspired by the discussions in the class, a student enjoyed spending his weekend making a book on flags from around the world. Taking it up a notch, he made a paper sword weapon on learning about Indian Freedom Fighter, Rani Laxmi Bai. Children also learnt to draw bookmarks using our National Symbols.



Creativity is the freest form of self-expression. Imagination and creative play is how children learn about the world. Keeping this in mind, the students of Grade 3 were told to describe their own imaginative countries. Letting their creativity soar, they designed and coloured the flag, named the country, framed one rule that they want to strictly enforce in their country and also spoke upon their imaginative country, putting their public speaking skills to the test. This activity was an initiative to understand the vision of an ideal country and to inculcate values of love and respect for one's own country in young minds.



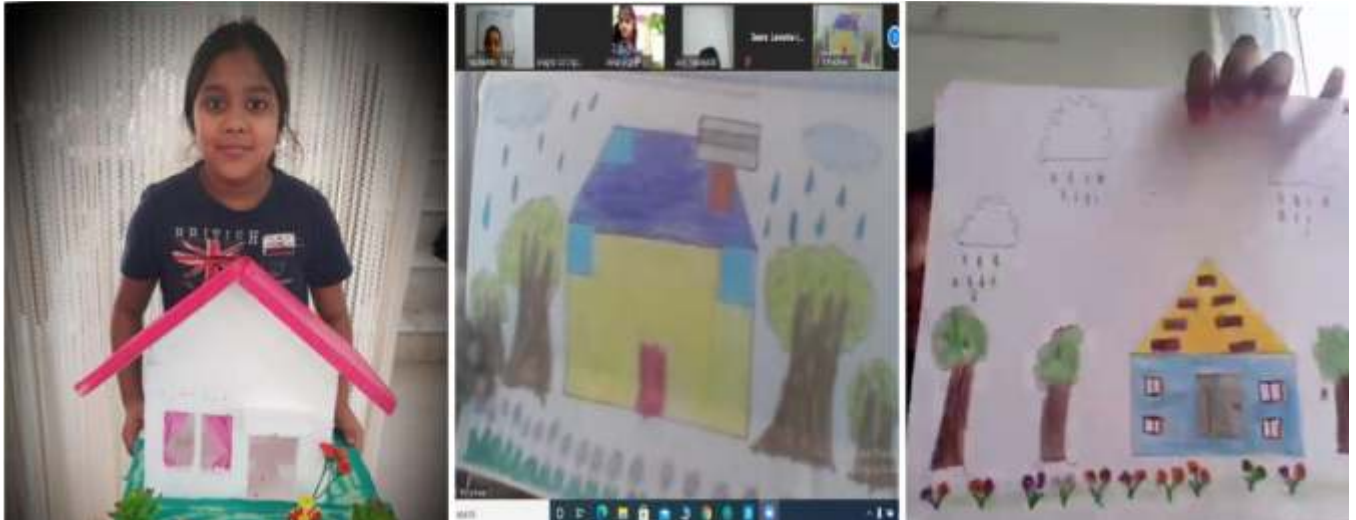
In an attempt to educate students about home remedies, the teachers planned an activity where the class had warm milk with turmeric and pepper powder while discussing its benefits. Later, the students made their own first aid kits and demonstrated the usage of various components. Some students went the extra mile and brought oximeters and explained to the class how and when it should be used with respect to the current situation. Real world skills like the measures to be taken in case of burns, stings, inflammation, bruises and other injuries were also discussed. To wrap it all up, they observed packets of medicines to understand the usage of manufacturing dates and significance of expiry dates. It was indeed a scene to witness, one that was interactive with young, cute doctors.



Through an interesting activity that combined knowledge of their roots and knowledge of mathematics, the students of Grade 3 presented a Family Tree that involved a dash of subtraction. The children were able to find out more about their lineage while at the same time making fundamental concepts of mathematics crystal clear in their young minds. The result is just as wonderful.



Fusing art and mathematics, children were asked to draw a division house on an A4 sheet by solving a series of questions to determine the specifications of their “division house.” The students enthusiastically drew the number of doors, windows, trees, clouds, fruits etc as per the division statements that were given. They added a touch of colour to make it look vibrant. What an innovative way to practise division while having fun too!



Using their critical thinking abilities, the students of Grade 3 spoke upon the necessity of good health in everyone's life. The topic was 'swachhata se swasthya' where they expressed on the means of maintaining good health with exercises, yoga practice, playing sports, eating a balanced diet, drinking plenty of water and getting proper rest, all the while speaking in Hindi. Most importantly, their speeches revolved around the message that a happy life is a healthy life.



“India is the cradle of human race, the birthplace of human speech, the mother of history, the grandmother of legend, and the great-grandmother of tradition.” This quote by the famous American author Mark Twain is sufficient to remind Indians of their nation's pride- its vast culture and heritage. The land of myriad religions, which stands united as a whole even in adverse circumstances, the country which has set an unprecedented paradigm of 'Unity in Diversity' is our Motherland India. Aligning with the thought to preserve and spread awareness amongst the youth of our country's rich culture, the teachers of Grade 3 had assigned the job of combining our country's myriad forms of dance and music with their free-flowing imagination to result in some amazing illustrations by the Dipsites.



The students of grade 4 had a fresh start to the month of September by actively participating in the Breakfast with Buddies where the theme was "North Indian Cuisine." They brought many lip-smacking dishes such as chole-bhature, samosas and parathas.



They learned all about the various kinds of teeth by making 3D models from dough and also learned the importance of dental care while having tons of fun. This method of experiential learning definitely helped them stay engaged and learn important life lessons in their learning process.



In English, the students drew or pasted pictures related to each other to form a story frame board. They then gave it a catchy title and wrote the important moral of the story.



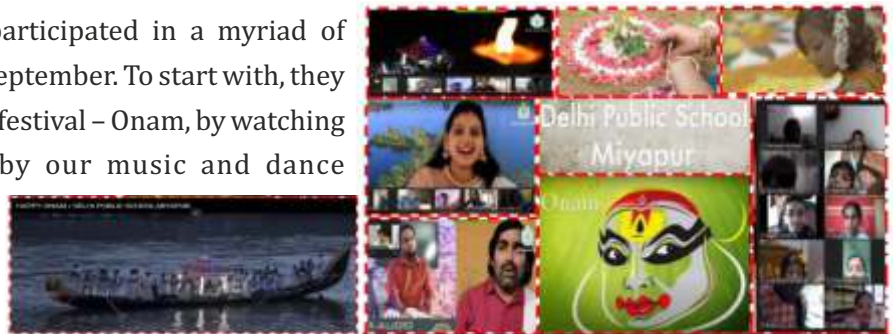
On 16th September, on the occasion of world ozone day, the students brought all kinds of uncooked and scrumptious food such as smoothies and a wide array of fruits, for their Breakfast with Buddies. This activity showed how eating raw food can not only be good for you, but also helps in preserving the ozone layer, without which life could not exist on Earth.



An activity which tested the speaking skills of the students was also conducted in grade 4, in which all the students participated enthusiastically.



The students of Grade V have participated in a myriad of activities throughout the month of September. To start with, they have celebrated the vibrant Keralite festival – Onam, by watching a beautiful video orchestrated by our music and dance departments. They exuberantly shared their views and the same.



In Science, students put on their thinking caps and performed experiments and demonstrations on “Properties of Air.”

They also understood different processes involved in the purification of liquids, and performed experiments to demonstrate the same.



This month's 'Breakfast with Buddies' had two themes – “North Indian Cuisine” and “Raw and Uncooked Food”, and the screens lit up with students bringing mouth watering dishes from their kitchens, based on both of these themes! Moreover, they interacted on the importance of first-aid during Breakfast with Buddies.



An innovative social activity was partaken by grade 5 learners where they made models of vehicles, equipped with imaginative superpowers!



Students were asked to make a LAP book on 'Timeline of Units of Measurement', wherein they engaged in measuring some household items with conventional non standard units like cubit, hand span and fathom, and then with standard units. In this unique activity, they were also asked to draw pictures of measurement units and arrange them in a timeline, suggesting the evolution from non standard to standard units of conversion.



FOOD WRAPPER	FOOD GROUP	NUTRIENTS AND THEIR PERCENTAGE	ESSENTIAL IN DIET (%)	REASONS	NUTRITIONAL INFORMATION
PANEER	FAT	FAT- 25 FIBRE- 10	YES	Source of calcium and iron	
SOYA CHUNKS	PROTEIN	PROTEIN- 50 FIBRE- 50	YES	Protein is an essential building block of bones and muscle	
SOOJI	CARBOHYDRATE	CARBOHYDRATE- 70 FIBRE- 10	YES	Carbohydrate provides energy to body	
OATS	FIBRE	FIBRE- 10 IRON- 10	YES	Keep the digestive system healthy	
SALT	MINERAL	SODIUM- 10 POTASSIUM- 10	YES	Regulates fluids and essential for nerve and muscle function	

Type of food wrapper	Food Group	Nutrient and their percentage	Essential in daily diet	Reasons	Take the Sample activity
1. wheat flour	Energy giving	Carbohydrate 70-75% Fiber 2-3%	Yes	Essential for energy and helps in reducing diabetes	
2. Biscuits	Salt	Sodium 2-3% Iron 1-2%	Yes	Essential for blood pressure and heart health	
3. Sugar	Energy giving	Carbohydrate 100%	Yes	Essential for energy and helps in reducing diabetes	
4. Biscuits (50-50)	Carbohydrate	Carbohydrate 50% Sugar 50%	No	Not essential but we can take it as a snack	

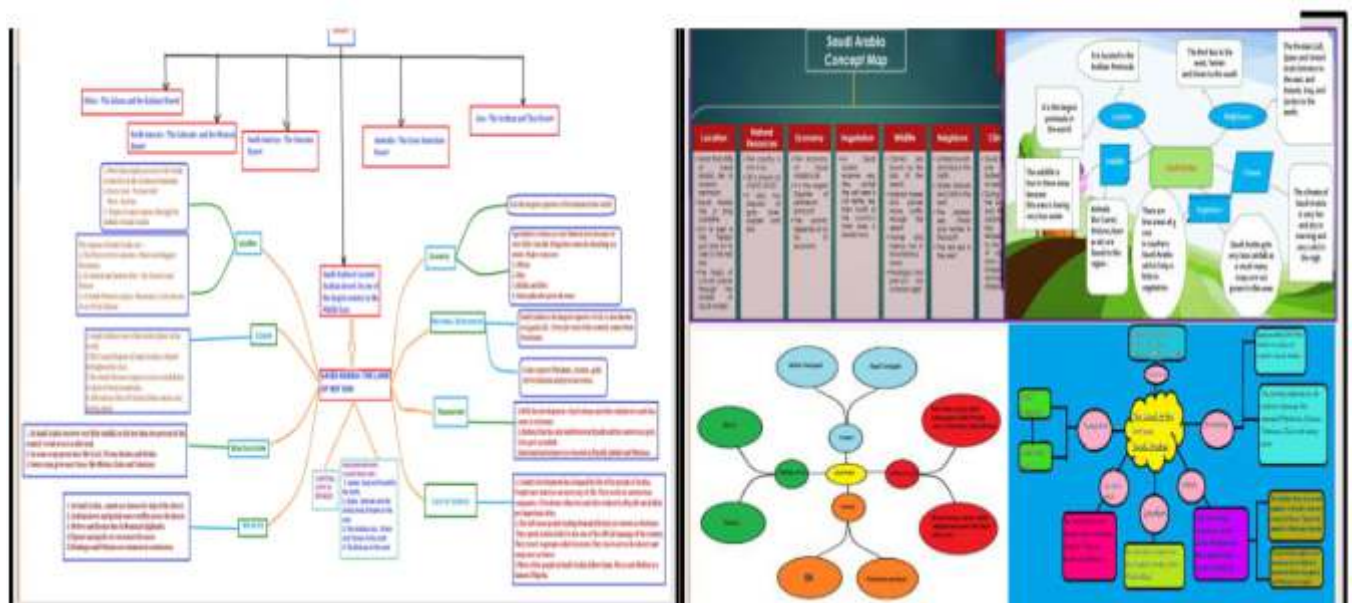
In English, students made colorful entries in a padlet on the topic – Adverbs. What a great way of enhancing one's grammar, while enjoying it to the core!



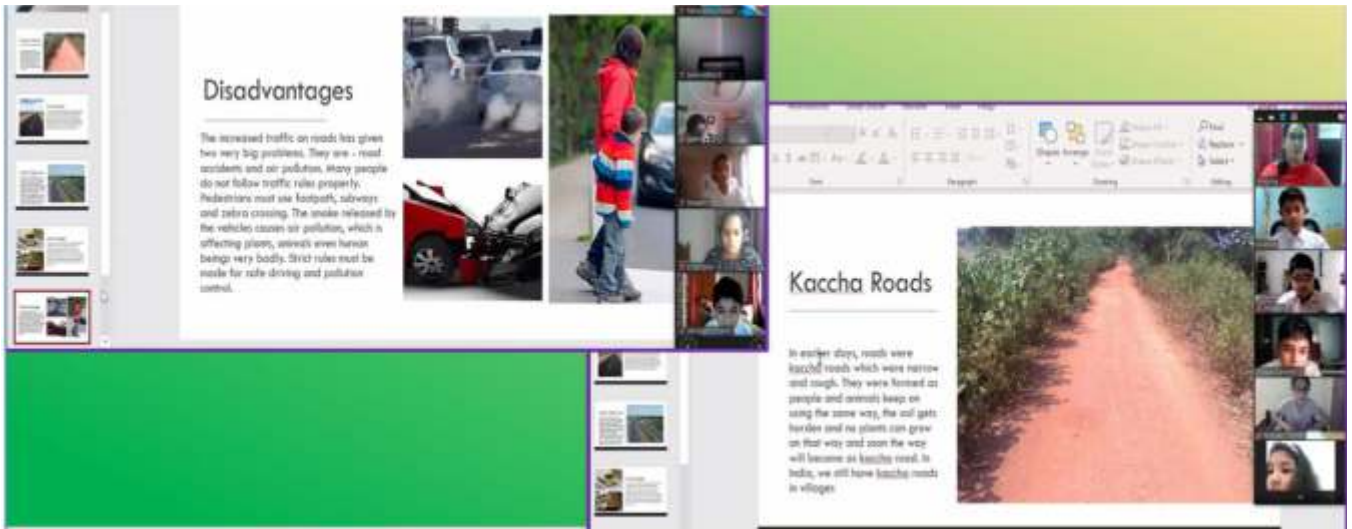
In an activity related to a lesson taught in English Literature, the children had to draw a picture depicting a peaceful country being affected by war and its dire consequences.



Children drew concept maps to illustrate their comprehension and understanding of the lesson -Saudi Arabia in Social Studies.



Students discussed and researched the Transport system during class hours and came up with presentations for the same.



Grade V students present news every morning, informing the class with the happenings all around the world.



The flurry **activities of Grade 6** started with their heartwarming gifts for their teachers on occasion of this Teachers' Day.

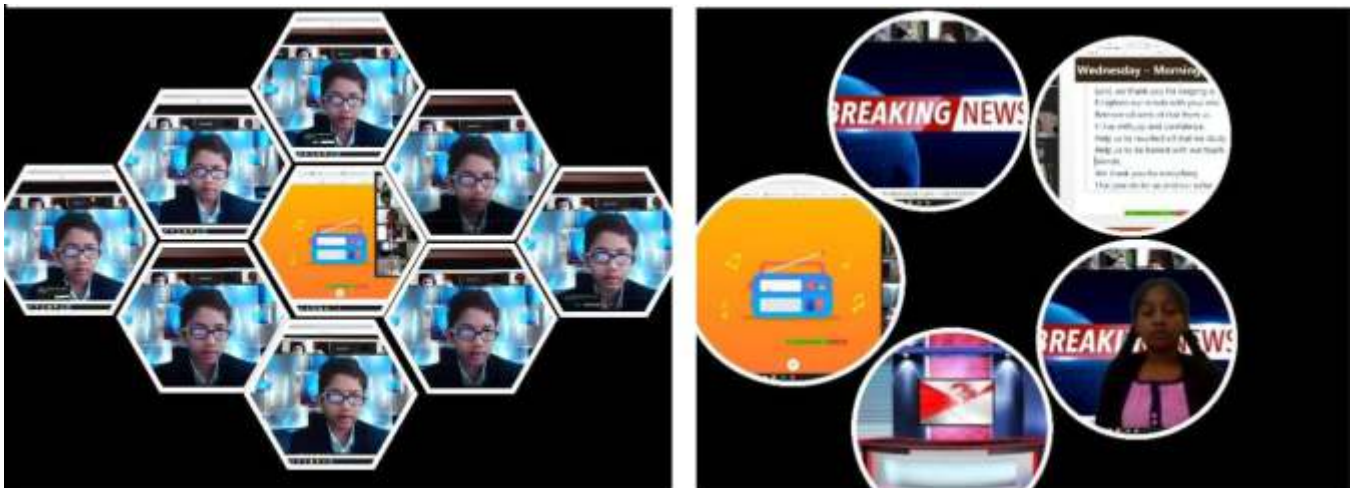
The menus for Breakfast with Buddies included special coconut special recipes, freshly made by students and their families, and garnished with love and smiles.



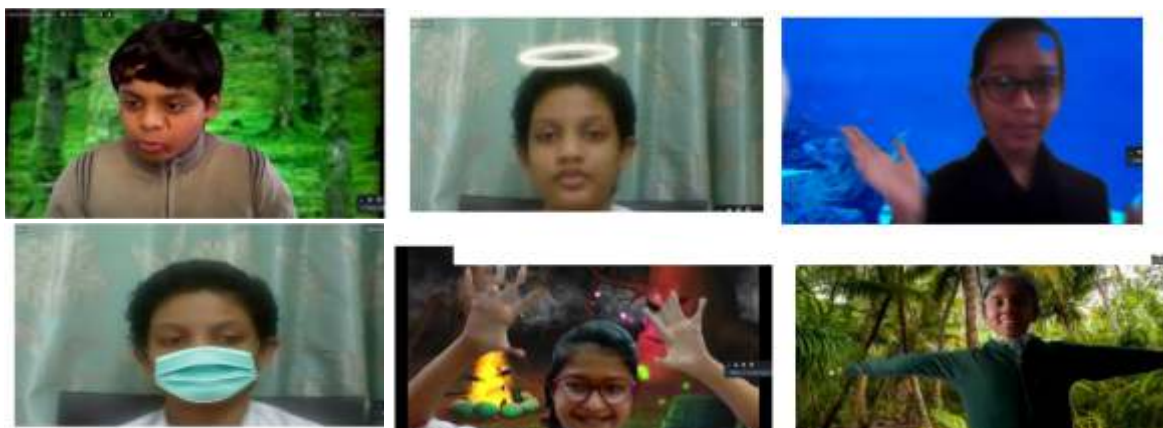
A Birthday is the most significant day in one's life, and it ought to be enjoyed even while quarantined. The students left no stone unturned in this regard and wished their peers on their birthdays during the month of September, by giving them various virtual presents during class. It was heartening to watch children connect virtually with each other on their special days!



Students participated in News Reading, using virtual backgrounds and perfect voice modulations just like a news reporter on television, making it a very enjoyable experience!



The learners of Grade 6 participated in a creative activity of storytelling. Students firstly rolled three dice. With each roll, they were given a setting, characters and a challenge, using which they had to weave a story. In a very short span of time, they created such magical stories that transformed the classroom into a plethora of mystifying tales. Children gave stellar performances using aids such as makeup, pre-made animation, on-spot virtual backgrounds and most importantly, out-of-the-box thinking and innovative ideas.



Grade 7 students participated in many delightful academic activities. In English, they watched a video on the rhythm of the poem - In Time of Silver Rain. After doing so, students were divided and sent into breakout rooms where they created their own rhythm of the poem. The students enthusiastically performed this activity using their instruments, metamorphosing the class into a land of mellifluous melodies.



The best test of a learner's intelligence is his capacity for making a summary. Aligning with this thought, a short yet informative presentation was performed by students to explore the devices used in measuring time during ancient times.

Hourglass

A winged hourglass is used as a literal for the well-known Latin phrase *tempus fugit* (time flies). The origin of the unclear, its the clepsydra, or is known to have been used in Babylon and Egypt as early as 16th century BCE.



HOURGLASS



Backgrounds

- In the year 1530 B.C. a vessel was used in Egypt with water.
- In the Temple of Anun at Karnak, dating from the fourteenth century.
- In the fourth century B.C. Plato invented a clock that used a water clock.
- In ancient Greece and Rome was time to talk about water clocks.
- In the third century B.C. Ctesibius, Archimedes, developed a water clock indicator.
- His Chinese Sung Chi described a clock with mechanical elements.
- In 1092 he developed a water clock.

WHO INVENTED HOURGLASS ?

- There are no records of the hourglass existing in Europe prior to the Early Middle Ages; the first documented example dates from the 8th century CE, crafted by a Frankish monk named Liutprand who served at the cathedral in Chartres, France.

HOW DOES A HOURGLASS WORK

An hourglass (or sandglass, sand timer, sand clock or egg timer) is a device used to measure the passage of time. It comprises two glass bulbs connected vertically by a narrow neck that allows a regulated flow of a substance (usually sand) from the top bulb to the bottom bulb.



How were they?

- The first water clock was made of a ceramic vessel with a hole at the base of a certain size to ensure the water flows at a given speed and a predetermined time.

How did they work?

- The container available in several brands so that the level indicating the periods, day and night.

Water Clock or Clepsydra



What are they?

- The waterclocks or clepsydres are a type of mechanical measuring time by the flow of liquid to or from a graduated container, different types of clock according to the direction of flow.

A group presentation was also held for the students of Grade 7, based on the Water Projects introduced in Telangana for the purposes of Agriculture and Household work.



The Grade 8 artists integrated their creativity along with vocabulary by making imaginative and colourful word walls of synonyms and antonyms of words from the poem 'The Mending Wall'.



To run the law of exponents in their brains, the young mathematicians made the 'Wheel of Laws of Exponents'.



In an innovative approach to reinforce the concepts and organize information with all sorts of creative additions, the inventive scientists designed lap books on cell organelles. It gives a platform to the students to exhibit their understanding of the structure and function of cellular components and plant versus animal cells.



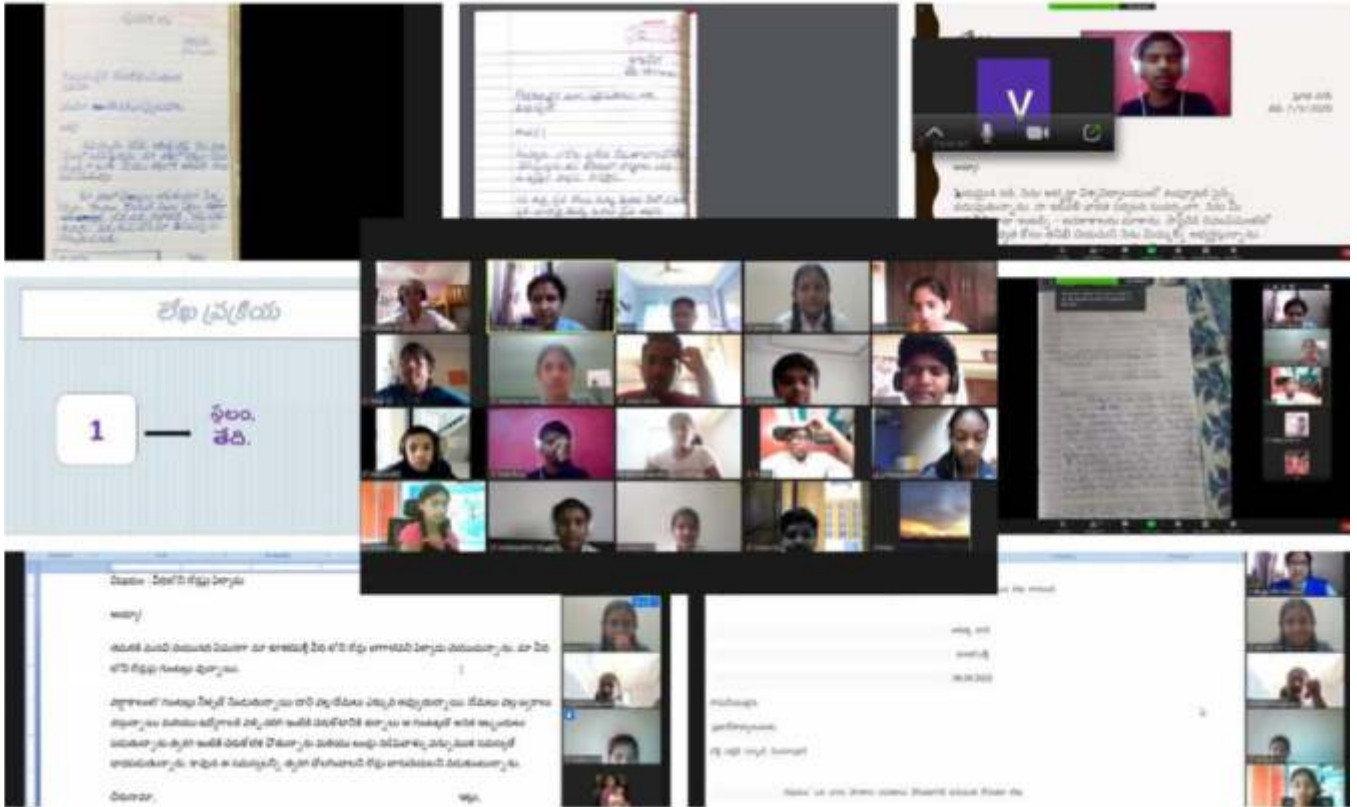
They also ignited minds through a fun filled experiment to show that it is not necessary to touch the tip of an incense stick to the fire in order for it to burn!



The budding nation makers exhibited their thoughts on 'secularism' through a Padlet activity. In social science, the students were also divided into groups and were assigned an Agrarian Policy started by the British. They researched about the features, merits and demerits in their respective Breakout Rooms and presented their ideas in a Padlet and brought out the historians in them.



In this vast world of technology, with the excessive use of electronic-mails and video calls, the use of the old-fashioned letters has foreshortened. In their Telugu class, the students explained to their peers how a letter is written in proper format.



The month of September had **the 9th graders** being constantly caught up in multitudinous activities that enhanced their learning.

In English, a pre reading activity on Descriptive writing had been done wherein students described their favourite tangible object using 3 clues for the class to guess. The clues included the parameters used for descriptive writing like- specific details, sensory details and dominant impression. Then, the classmates tried their level best to guess the objects correctly. However, there were times too when the reality of the objects that they were expecting to be revealed completely knocked their socks off!



As a part of Social Studies, students were divided into several groups and were instructed to research on any five Constituent Assembly members and their contribution towards the drafting of the Indian Constitution. Later, they presented their meticulously detailed research works and uploaded the same on a Padlet link provided to them.



The students of Grade IX partook in another activity wherein they were divided into groups and each group researched about the Constitution of the country that was assigned to them. Once again, they had done a flawless and splendid job and shared their presentations with the rest of the class.



Children have made a lot of PPTs in English and Hindi. This time, they showcased their immense love for their 2nd language - Sanskrit too, by making a Power point presentation in Sanskrit for the first time, based on the famous epic- Mahabharata. They presented it beautifully during class hours and their excitement for doing so, reached unsurpassable heights.



Similarly, the students having Telugu as their second language, let their creativity flow as they penned down various songs on the lives of daily wage workers.

The Grade 10 students took a dip in the ocean of industries, where they showcased and learnt a lot more about various industries and their functioning. They used PPTs to showcase the information collected. They also took a time machine back to when Europe was nationalized and collected facts about the events that occurred then and presented this to their class through a symposium.



It is said that a mother's love is unconditional. The students perfectly showcased this with their presentations on 'Mothers' in their Sanskrit class.



Ramayana is a Hindu epic on the life of Lord Rama. It enlightens us on how an ideal human should be and shows the true path to live our life. With the help of a PPT, the Grade 10 students presented on different stages of Lord Rama's life: Balakanda, Ayodhya Kanda, Aranyakanda, Kishkindha Kanda, Sundarakanda and Yuddhakanda; in their Telugu class.



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As we have seen, the month of September has been a fun roller-coaster ride of activities, starting from celebrating the very spirits of festivities and events, to excelling in academics through application-based and hands-on experiences. With each passing day at our online classrooms, we feel more and more emotionally connected to our classmates and teachers, thereby giving us a perfectly balanced school lifestyle even while sitting at home. We thank our school fraternity from the bottom of our hearts for providing us with such interactive online platforms which we have been able to adapt too easily. We look forward to succeeding in our upcoming virtual endeavours with the same dynamism and zeal as ever! This is all for this month's DipsBuzz issue.

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