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GRADUATION DAY



The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams. Graduation Day, a major milestone in the life of a grade 10 student, was held on the 3rd of February, 2023. It was indeed a bittersweet moment for the students. It was time for them to bid farewell to their old friends, the good times that they had shared with them, and a time to look forward, set new goals, and dream new dreams.

The Chief Guest, Ms. Priti Sawant and the Chairman, Dr. Mohan Manghnani, inspired and motivated the students in their pursuit of excellence.

The Achiever's Award and the Chairman's Award were given to the students whose exceptional performance resulted in the school securing the All India Merit Positions 2 and 3 and the State Merit Positions 1, 2 and 3.

The awards for the Best Outgoing Student and the Best Sports Person were given to the students who excelled in academics and sports and brought laurels for themselves and the school. As these students venture into a new phase in their lives, let them carry forward the values and knowledge that have been imbibed in them and proudly wear the badge of being a Horizonite for life

ANNUAL DAY PRIMARY

Annual Day forms an integral part of our school activities. It is perhaps the event that we most eagerly await each year. This year, too, we had begun to prepare well in advance as it was the first event of its kind, post Covid. The event was quite exhaustive and held for two consecutive days - February 10 (for grades 1, 3 & 4) and February 11 (for grades 2 & 5).



As the final day approached, the excitement increased and preparations took on a hectic pace. A light rehearsal was held a day before the function, and everything went smoothly. Our Principal, Mrs. Anupama Sethi, Head Mistress, Mrs. Ekta Batra, Co-Ordinator of the Secondary division, Mrs. Richa Bhatia, and Co-Ordinator of the Primary division, Mrs. Shilpa P. graced the occasion with their presence.

On February 10, we were fortunate to have our Chief Guest, Mr. Vikram Sreedhar, a performance storyteller and theatre practitioner. Ms. Rachna Chhabria, a freelance journalist and columnist with two of India's leading newspapers, 'The Asian Age' and 'Deccan Chronicle' was the Chief Guest on February 11. The Chief Guests were welcomed by the students of the Primary division. At 6:00 p.m., the lamp of knowledge was lit and the campus resonated with the divine invocation. The Principal addressed the gathering by highlighting the achievements of the School for the academic year 2022-2023. This was followed by the address of the Chief Guests on both days.

The event was a dance theatrical "Madhurashtakam" consisting of 12 sequences that showcased the glorious childhood and complete incarnation of Lord Krishna as per the epic "Bhagavatam". The students put up a great show with their exuberant performances and created a magical environment keeping the attention of dignitaries and parents focused on the stage. The show culminated as dusk descended and concluded with the Vote of thanks by the students. This was followed by felicitation of the choreographers, drama production team, and teachers. It was a day to remember and an event to cherish for a long time.

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PONGAL



The Pre-Primary Wing of our New Horizon Public School celebrated the harvest festival, Pongal on January 13, 2023. Students came in their traditional dress and exhibited joy and pride as they filled the campus with the land's cultural aura.

The entrance of the pre-primary department was decorated with colourful rangoli. An earthen pot was placed, and sugarcane was stacked to grace the occasion.

Teachers were also dressed up in their traditional best. Class wise, all the children visited that area where the earthen pot was kept. The teachers explained the significance of Pongal using a PowerPoint presentation. Students learned that these festivals are sacred moments that help everyone establish love, unity, and nourish their relationships.

SESSION WITH DR. SHALINI THAKUR

On 6th February 2023, the students of Grade 8 had an informative and enlightening session with Dr. Shalini Thakur, Programme Director - Oral Onco Surgery and Rehabilitation in the Head and Neck Surgical Oncology Department, HCG Cancer Centre. Her interest lies in the interdisciplinary rehabilitation of head and neck patients and tobacco cessation.

According to Dr. Shalini, most tobacco companies target adolescents, who are most vulnerable in their teenage years. She described nicotine as a classified poison and informed us that is not only addictive but also results in mood disorders and permanent lowering of impulse control, attention span, and aptitude for learning.

The session was very interactive, with some interesting questions asked by the students. Dr. Shalini further explained that it was necessary to stay away from tobacco and nicotine, and guard our family, friends, and loved ones from the pitfalls of both. We took a pledge to never fall prey to the use of tobacco due to its ill effects.

Krithika Shivaram, 8 E

WARS



Wars bring about conflict;
Fought with swords or thoughts,
Not all wars,
Result in bloodshed.

Always a blazing fire between good and evil,
Good thoughts, push the sailor of desire,
From the land over the sea.
Evil thoughts, very comforting indeed,
Merely the devil in disguise,
Entrap the soul in the circle of darkness.

Heart, an emotionally absorbed spirit;
Mind, a soldier at the border,
Strive for progress till the end.
Till the last breath, the war continues
Between the heart and mind.

War within is nothing but an illusion,
That leads to internal confusion

At the finish line,
With laser-light focus
Is the achiever who wins;
A spirit pure,
His compassionate acts,
Always driven by good thoughts
Are favoured by DESTINY!

Adhithi. K, 9 C

STRANGE BEHAVIOUR



"Think before you speak", they say,
I do it a million times;
Completely buried deep within layers,
Yet superficiality is all the good, they know.

Scared of a thousand little things,
Afraid of offending them,
Too anxious to ever commit a crime;
Tears are my comfort in loneliness,
Cloudy thoughts wash against the shore;

They call it strange behaviour,
Little do they know -
It is so much more.

Sahana S., 9 C

ANXIETY



My chest tightens,
My airway constricts,
My breathing escalates,
My heart rate rises,
My world darkens;
I sink into a deep dark abyss
With trembling arms and legs,
I drown in nothingness -
Only for an exam!

Deep within, I yearn for appreciation,
And long to satisfy my need for validation.
Will I ever receive recognition?
Why do self-worth and happiness
Rely on external scores?
That's the million-dollar question;
One handled by me with trepidation!

Sharanya K, 10 A

SHLOKA RECITATION COMPETITION



Shlokas, which are repeated to aid concentration, have been prevalent in Indian culture for hundreds of centuries. It is the recitation of words that have spiritual meaning. To encourage the children and to learn its importance a shloka recitation competition was held on the 7th of February for our nursery children. Children participated with a lot of interest and the resonance of these shlokas created a divine vibration in the premises.

YELLOW MOON

Yellow moon you shine so bright,
Playing hide and seek,
With little girls' eyes.
Yellow moon so high in the sky,
Sometimes golden yellow,
Sometimes milky white.

Yellow moon, if I could hold you,
I would paint you like a rainbow.
You can shine like a unicorn,
Dazzling little children with different coloured lights.

Yellow moon, your splendid sight,
Bonding mothers and little children at dinner time.
I wait for you to come out at night,
So, I can go to the park
And play in your golden light.



Kushagraa Chatta, 2 E

COURAGE

"Man cannot discover new oceans unless he has the courage to lose sight of the shore." Lord Chesterfield

Many famous and respected people have spoken or written about 'courage.' Our culture is rich with exemplary tales of bravery and self-sacrifice for the greater good. Yet 'courage' is not just physical bravery.

Courageous people can manage and overcome their fear, in a way consistent with their values. Courage comes from knowledge and skills that develop confidence.



Courage is the ability to face any dangerous or painful situation. Courage can be physical or moral. Physical courage is when one can endure any physical pain. Moral courage is to do the right thing in every situation. We have many examples of courageous freedom fighters and soldiers.

Courage is a virtue that enables a person to live a righteous life. It is a quality that helps us to stand against any wrongdoings. Courageous people are always admired and are an inspiration for others. We should remember that even small contributions can bring about a change in society.

DID YOU KNOW?

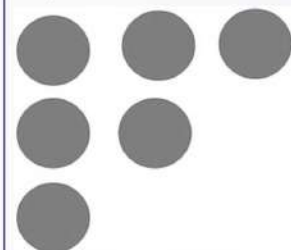


- ❖ The world wastes about 1 billion metric tons of food each year.
- ❖ The fastest gust of wind ever recorded on Earth was 253 mph.
- ❖ Hot water will turn into ice faster than cold water.
- ❖ The famous 'Mona Lisa' has no eyebrows.
- ❖ A shrimp's heart is on its head, but if base on its exact anatomy, its heart is located on the thorax just after the head.

Kriti Sudheer
9 B

PUZZLE TIME

Can you move just one coin and make two lines, each with four coins ?



THE GUIDING LIGHT



Teachers are the guiding lights in our lives
With wisdom, love, and gentle hands,
They lead us on a journey free from strife,
And help us fulfil our dreams and plans.

With words that encourage us, learning is an
adventure

They patiently take the time to help us learn;
Giving us the confidence to venture,
And the strength to face the world and earn.

Their determination knows no bounds,
In their classrooms, knowledge abounds;
They shape the future, moulding the young mind,
Teachers are a treasure of the best kind.

We owe them gratitude for all they do,
Without them, our dreams would not come true.

Teachers, so brave and ever so strong,
Their teachings will remain in our minds lifelong.

Rithusree D Kumar, 7 C

MY HOPES



I hope to feel spirited away,
My thoughts overflow;
On my bed, I lie,
Enjoying an old favourite song.
Of all negative thoughts,
I hope to be free;
I hope to find the strength
To untie these deep knots.

I hope to let go of
My never-ending lists;
I hope to go on a long walk,
And take in all the bliss.

I hope I tell them I love them,
Before it's too late;
I hope to let go of all fears,
And be guided by faith.

I hope the best
For everyone I know;
They deserve it
Until the ends of the earth flow.

I hope to feel the joy
I felt at seven;
And I hope for this more than
I ever hope for heaven.

Sahana S, 9 C

THE FIERCE BODY



O, you fierce body!
Please come to me!
Is it fun to be up there?
All by yourself at the fair!

O, you fierce body!
Please come to me!
I salute you,
Through the dark hue!

O, you fierce body!
Please come to me!
From the heavens,
Help the poor peasants!

Harini Sriram, 6 E

HONESTY : THE BEST POLICY



"Honesty is the best policy" is a quote that has been imprinted on our minds since time immemorial. Honesty is telling "the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth."

How many of us adhere to this definition of honesty? Let us be honest. We all lie. Whether it is a small lie or a big lie, it doesn't matter. Most of us do so occasionally and yet we consider ourselves honest.

What makes lying so convenient? Well, most of us lie, to protect ourselves from suffering painful consequences, shame, embarrassment, or conflict. We also lie to protect our image. Whatever benefit we may obtain from lying, even if it is to protect someone else, it is better to remember that honesty is a better policy. Despite its temptation and ease of use, lying gets us nowhere. We stay right on our own track or much worse, go backwards.

Why is honesty given so much importance? There are many advantages of being an honest and truthful person. A calm and stress-free life will unfold if we avoid any action that needs a lie to cover it up. This reason alone should be a strong inspiration to not lie.

Also, trust and honesty go hand in hand. Trust cannot be developed without honesty. People will put their trust and faith in us, only if they know we are honest. All of us know the story of the little boy who cried wolf over and over when the wolf was not there. Then, what happened? When he needed help, he was alone because he had lost people's trust. This could be the effect that we may have to face for not being honest. People may find excuses for not helping us when we need a supporting shoulder.

Now visualize an environment, we have created, where others know they can always rely on us. Would we then not become a reliable and dependable resource? People who really value the importance of hearing the truth will come to us for opinions and guidance as they know that we will speak the truth, no matter how painful it is, and thus help them self-reflect and self-improve. On the other hand, people who are only looking for opportunities to inflate their egos will quickly learn that we will not flatter them with lies.

In conclusion, honesty is being real with ourselves and others, about who we are, and projecting our real and honest selves to the world. Honesty hones our insight and allows us to observe everything around us with precision and transparency and hence rightfully is called the best policy!

Values Plus team

SCHOOL TRIP TO HAMPPI (THE 8th GRADERS!)

School excursions have always been an event to look forward to! And, it is not the place, it is the company that matters. The trip characterised by many firsts, was the first time the eighth graders were going on a multi-day class trip. We were going without covid restrictions after 2 long years. First time...(Well, many firsts, of course)

When we were told that the reporting time on the day of the trip was at the wee hours of 4 am, we rolled our eyes and let out an exasperating—"Huh!" But boy! It was fun! We had never seen the twilight sky at 4 am—not that we could see it anyway. We were so excited that we forgot all about the 4 am sky. Luggage was stowed, seats were taken, and the bus rolled. And thereby began the journey of a thousand miles. Oh! by the way, it was only 400 kilometers. Breakfast was at Kamat Upachar and our chosen abode was Hotel Malige. The pre-lunch places, we visited were Lakshmi Narasimha, Badava Linga, and Kadalekaale Ganesha, a monolith, which could be worshipped only by the royals of the Vijayanagara empire. Before visiting the other places, we came back to Malige for lunch and not to forget the ice cream that reduced the effect of the scorching sun.

After lunch, we visited the Zenana Enclosure, the complex of the two queens of the great king Krishnadevaraya, where men were not allowed. We also visited the Royal Centre, the king's complex, and were astounded by its 500-year old architecture. We saw the Elephant stables and the Queen's bath, used by the queen to bathe on special occasions. Our guide showed us the places where the queen's servants sang to entertain her while she took a bath. This was followed by a scavenger hunt which though enthralling, exhausted us.

We were divided into different groups and were asked to find monuments of historical importance with clues given on paper. Once we reached our destination, we had to take photos and show them to the organiser, who would score us accordingly and announce the winning team. Worn out, we went back to our hotel, and took rest before coming down to dinner. Some games had been arranged for us and we played 'tag of war' and 'dodgeball', having the time of our lives. After a hearty dinner, we went back to our rooms and called it a day. We looked forward to the next morning.

The next day started off with joyous excitement as we ate our breakfast facing the large swimming pool of our resort. We started our sightseeing for the day with a visit to Saasivekaalu Ganesha, the idol worshipped by the common people of the Vijayanagara empire. After that, we climbed Hemakuta Hills and visited the Virupaksha temple with its three gopurams and the famous Hampi bazaars, where people used to sell gold and diamonds in the street in the 1400s. Following this, we went to ChakraTirtha, the place where Lord Shiva gave Lord Vishnu one of his most powerful weapons - the Chakra, on the banks of the holy river Tungabhadra.

Next, we went bouldering across the rocks by the riverside that was an adventurous experience. After a while, we reached the Kodanda Rama Temple. From there, we walked till we reached the Vittala Temple Complex and then had some snacks and juice. Once inside the temple, we admired the unmatched craftsmanship of the iconic Stone Chariot and the musical pillars, which are an architectural wonder.

Then, we headed back to our bus for lunch. After a delicious lunch, we experienced life in the Anegundi Village, where the descendants of Krishnadevaraya still live. We enjoyed the artisans' and Veshegaars' performance of some scenes from the Ramayana at the historic place, where Rama killed Vali for Sugreev in exchange for help to locate Sita. We climbed the Anjanadri Betta of 575 steps and watched the astounding sunset. Later, we did some shopping and headed to the restaurant for dinner.

After dinner, we had fun dancing around the bonfire with our friends; a bonfire, in the night sky, with loud peppy music and quirky dances. Well, it was FUN! We left the restaurant at 11 pm, ready to head back to Bengaluru. We reached our School at 4 am and had millions of stories to tell our parents, who had come to pick us up. We made a lifetime of memories on that trip, that we will always cherish.

Advika Thishu, 8 A

YOUNG ACHIEVERS



Aradhana Reddy of grade 5 won the 4th position in the Spell-bee contest organised by RCB.



Samanth of grade 4C secured a Bronze medal in the State level Chess competition



Shreyas Pai of grade 9D participated in the International Mathematics Championship, held by the European Mathematical Society for school students of grades 1-12. There were three rounds of competition. Shreyas of grade 9 qualified for the Final round and secured the 33rd rank out of 2100 participants globally.



Pranav of grade 7 B participated in the International Mathematics Championship held by the European Mathematical Society for school students of grades 1-12. He secured the 30th Rank out of 2084 contestants in the Final round of the Silver medal category.

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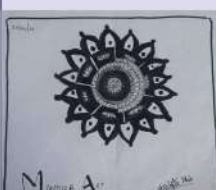
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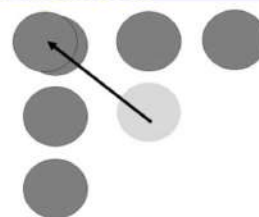


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