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The New Horizon Model United Nations (NHMUN), held on 6th & 7th August 2025, brought together students from multiple schools in an intellectually stimulating platform. Delegates participated in five committees — FIA, WTO, UNSC, SPECPOL & HIC — addressing pressing issues from trade to global security. The discussions reflected thorough research, sharp critical thinking, and passionate delivery, making NHMUN an enriching experience for all participants.

79TH INDEPENDENCE DAY



NEW HORIZ





On 15th August 2025, NHPS celebrated the 79th Independence Day with pride and patriotism. The programme began with the flag hoisting by our Chief Guest, Mrs. Shakunthala Ajit Bhandarkar, followed by the National Anthem. The choir's soulful invocation, an inspiring address by the Chief Guest, patriotic tunes by the school band, and the recital of "Himadri Tung Shring Se" added grandeur to the occasion. Dance performances by Grades 3-7 paid heartfelt tribute to the nation and its brave heroes. The celebration concluded with a vote of thanks, leaving everyone inspired with the values of unity and patriotism.

Explore, Reflect, Celebrate

EVENTS

- NHMUN 2025 26
- · 79th Independence Day Celebration
- · Homeland Harmony · Amazing Me
- · Fable Fiesta · Magic Mask Making
- · The First Field Trip

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STRANGER DANGER DAY



On 9th July 2025, young learners were taught vital safety rules: Say NO, Get Away, Tell a trusted adult. Through role play, children practiced responding firmly to unsafe situations, gaining confidence and awareness that will help them stay safe.



NHPS observed Guru Purnima with reverence. Pre-primary children enjoyed storytelling sessions on the role of a Guru, while primary students expressed gratitude through handmade cards and shlokas. As part of an eco-friendly initiative, students planted saplings — a green tribute to teachers, symbolising growth and care.

'AMAZING ME' COMPETITION COMPETITION COMPETITION

Nursery students proudly shared lines about themselves, spreading smiles and confidence.



LKG students dressed as their favourite storybook characters, bringing stories alive with innocence and charm.

HOMELAND HARMONY – SOLO SINGING COMPETITION



On 13th August 2025, LKG students sang patriotic songs in multiple Indian languages, celebrating unity in diversity. Their innocent voices filled the hall with pride and love for the nation.

MAGIC MASK MAKING COMPETITION



UKG students crafted colourful masks, showcasing creativity and imagination.

THE FIRST FIELD TRIF



Nursery visited Sri Suryanarayana Swamy Temple, while LKG & UKG explored ISKCON Temple and Goshala — a blend of culture, values, and compassion."

CELEBRATIONS BEYOND BORDERS

like Raksha Bandhan, Ganesh Chaturthi, Navratri and Diwali, with many other festivals spread out during the other part of the year.

Indian festivals are known for their colours, energy and deep cultural meanings. With Indians spread around the globe, Indian communities have taken their traditions with them, sharing the joy and spirit of their festivals around them. Let us have a look at how some of the most loved Indian festivals are celebrated in different parts of the world.

are decorated with lights,

fireworks fill the skies, and there are large public gatherings with food stalls.

Diwali parties in the USA. Even some schools joining in. and universities organize cultural shows! Do these celebrations matter? Yes. They Diwali is a public holiday in Singapore and Malaysia. The streets of Little India are decorated with attractive arches, lights and colourful Rangoli.

of all backgrounds. In Australia, Holi thrives everywhere, connecting hearts. celebrations are hosted in public parks

India is a land of festivals. This is a with DJs, dancing and of course, lots of celebratory period in India with festivals coloured powder! With a strong Indian community in South Africa, Holi events are held in cities like Durban, often blending Indian traditions with local music and food. In the USA and Canada, Holi is celebrated in temples, universities and open-air locations. It's seen as a celebration of joy, unity and spring and attracts people of all cultures!

> Garba and Dandiya nights during Navratri are hugely popular in the UK. Youth dress up in traditional clothes and dance to live music in community halls and school gyms! In the USA, In the UK, streets Navratri events attract thousands, with big indoor arenas turned into dance floors for Garba and Raas. With large Indian communities in the Middle East, Navratri is celebrated in social clubs and community centers, with permission from local authorities.

Festivals like Raksha Bandhan, Sankranti Ganesh Chaturthi and a few regional music and dance, for Diwali. Homes are Indian festivals also are celebrated with lighted up, people visit temples and host great interest, with the locals also

show that festivals are more than just rituals. They are a way to stay connected to your roots, share your culture with others, and spread joy in new places. They remind us that tradition has no Holi has become popular among people borders. It travels with people, adapts and

Values Plus Team

The Missing Skill: Curiosity in the Age of AI

Everything today is just a click away. Ask Google, prompt ChatGPT, or watch a YouTube tutorial — and you will know what you need to. But with all this information at our fingertips, are we losing something more valuable than knowledge? Curiosity.

Curiosity is the drive to explore, to ask "why," and figure things out on our own. It is what led humans to invent fire, fly planes, and build the internet. But today, instead of wondering, we search. Instead of experimenting, we scroll.

Al and technology are powerful tools, and they can help us learn faster and solve problems in a smarter way. But? should they replace our urge to ask questions? If we rely on machines to think for us, we risk becoming passive consumers instead of active creators.

The future needs curious minds — not just people who know the answers, but people who ask better questions. So next time you face a problem....

- Onn't just Google it Pause. Think. Ask "What if?" and "Why not?"
- Because curiosity isn't just a skill —
- \$\t's the spark that fuels all meaningful learning.

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AVYUKTH IGOOR'S EVEREST BASE CAMP JOURNEY

From summiting Mt. Nangarshang at 5,077m to finally reaching Everest Base Camp at 5,364m, Avyukth's trek was filled with snowstorms, breathtaking views, and inspiring encounters.

He celebrated Nepali New Year at Café 4410, paid tribute at Thukla Pass, and shared trails with extraordinary mountaineers.

"His adventure showed how determination and curiosity can take us to great heights — literally!"

Avyukth Igoor

☼ CHADDU LAL AND THE WHITE ELEPHANT

A Tale of Greed, Magic, and Halwa! 🐔 🛠

Once upon a moonlit night, high above golden maize fields...

Chaddu Lal, a humble maize guard with a thick moustache and a maroon shawl, spent his nights atop a haystack tower, watching over his crop. One serene evening, as he gazed at the starry sky, a White Elephant descended from the clouds, offering him a magical ride.

It took him to a celestial kitchen hidden among the stars, where divine Apsaras served him the most exquisite halwa fragrant, golden, topped with saffron and nuts.

常 The only rule? Tell no one

For months, Chaddu Lal returned nightly, growing plump and content. But secrets don't stay buried long. His wife noticed his vanishing act - and expanding waistline. After persistent questioning, he confessed.

She didn't believe him — until one night, she followed him. Then the whole village found out.

The Great Halwa Stampede

Soon, villagers joined Chaddu Lal atop the White Elephant. Together, they soared to the sky kitchen, stuffing themselves with halwa, chanting:

"This is the halwa made by the Apsaras!"

But greed crept in. As dawn approached, they refused to leave. Enraged, the White Elephant scooped them up in its trunk and flew them back to Earth, dropping them not in their homes...

But in a sugarcane field.

The sky kitchen vanished. Forever.

Moral of the Story:

Greed can destroy wondrous gifts.+: Kindness and restraint keep the magic alive

Sports Excellence



Eveika Singh G, Grade 4

2 Gold 🗑 🗑 + 2 Platinum 🕎 🕎 at the 7th IGCI Artistic Gymnastics Invitational Meet.



Bronze (500m) + Silver (1000m) at the ICSE Regional Skating Competition.



Gold 8 (400m Freestyle) + Bronze (50m Breaststroke & Backstroke) at the CISCE Zonal Swimming Competition.

Cultural Pride



Aleesha Sheetal, 3C

Gold Tin Under-8 Gymnastics at Champion Chasers Academy.



A D Nithin Abinav, 4C

Scored 4 goals; awarded Player of the 8th Rank in Solo Bharatanatyam at the Match at the One Football Championship 'Aradhana' National Dance Competition. (Team: Runners-Up).



Creative Spark



Part of the team that set the Elite World



Disha Baid & Shriya Ranjith, 2D

Earned Grade 'A' in Gaana Ganga Hindus-Record for Longest Virtual Gita Chanting. tani Vocal Performance at Rhythms Academy.



Sujay Reddy T. M., 2B

Champion (Popular Choice) 22 + 2nd Runner-Up 8 at Hi Buddy 25 Global Art Competition.



