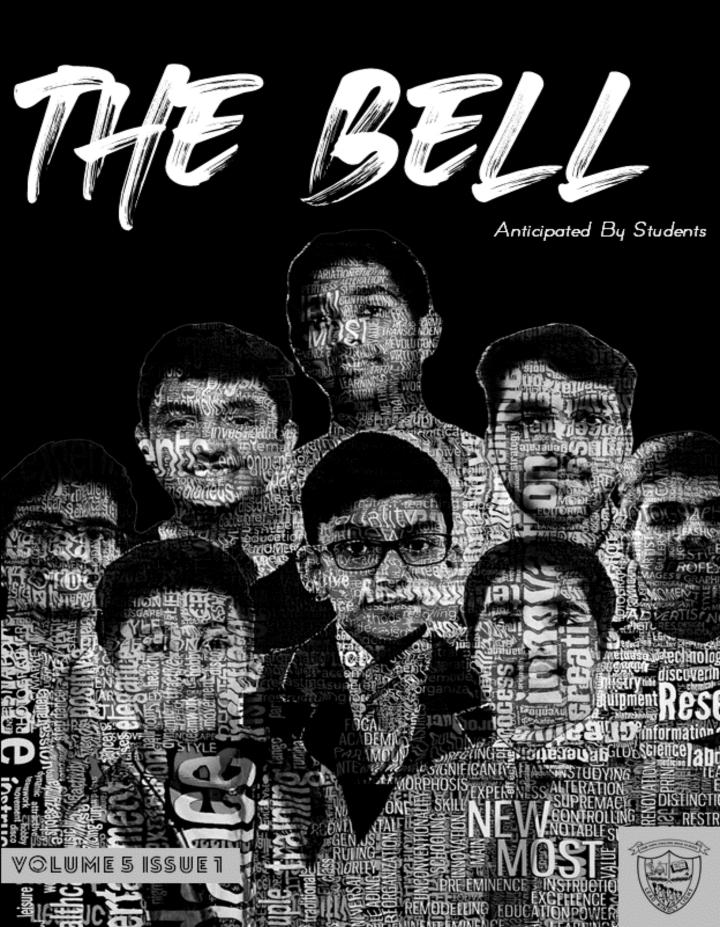
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Our Own English High School, Sharjah – Boys' is the proud recipient of the Sharjah Award for Educational Excellence – Distinguished School. We won the second position at the 26th session of this prestigious award in the distinguished school category. Gaurav Jayaprakash of grade 5 won the Sharjah Award for Educational Excellence in the distinguished student category. He is one among the five winners, from the hundreds of other contestants. The prestigious award was established in 1995 by His Highness Sheikh Dr. Sultan Bin Mohammad Al-Qassimi, Member of the Supreme Council and Ruler of Sharjah and is granted to students and institutions who achieve the standards of excellence in the United Arab Emirates. We are humbled by this recognition and indeed very grateful to students, parents, staff of OOB, the GEMS Management and the Sharjah Private Education Authority for their unstinted support.

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he present academic year started on a fairly gloomy note, with the ravaging COVID-19 pandemic wreaking havoc all around the globe. The rainbow amidst the dark clouds appeared to me in the form of a message on my phone...

Ting! "Hey! Would you be interested to be the Editor of the upcoming edition of the monthly school newsletter?"

Coming out of the pleasant jolt I replied: "Yes, Sure!" —

Immediately I felt the weight of the immense responsibility resting on my shoulders -- excitement and nervousness at the same time. The Editorial Crew was faced with the unique challenge of upholding the glorious tradition of bringing out yet another incredible issue of "The Bell" - and this was definitely not an easy task, especially taking into consideration the difficulties we might face during these unprecedented times.

While keeping in mind OOB's prolonged efforts to provide for what is best for the students, we wanted to do justice to the immense responsibility bestowed upon us by humbly dedicating this issue of 'The Bell' to the champions who have broken the barriers and strived towards the zenith of success by their remote and extraordinary contributions to keep the OOB flag flying high. We hope that the readers would enjoy reading this edition as much as we enjoyed putting it together. The stories of achievements which we have attempted to condense into the finite words available to us — nonetheless showcases the infinite potential of the school.

And last but definitely not the least, I would like to take the opportunity to express our modest and humble gratitude to the members of the Editorial Crew and all the other individuals who have poured in their whole-hearted efforts and contribution towards the success of this edition of the Newsletter

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On Sunday, 31st of May, the Batch of 2020-2021 at OOB, set another precedent by organizing and conducting the 'Annual Investiture Ceremony' on a virtual platform.

The program was organized using two isolated online platforms, MS Teams and OBS Studio, through which live streaming of the event on YouTube was made possible.

Major Mohammed Ali Shah, Indian theater personality, film actor and social activist was the keynote speaker for the event.

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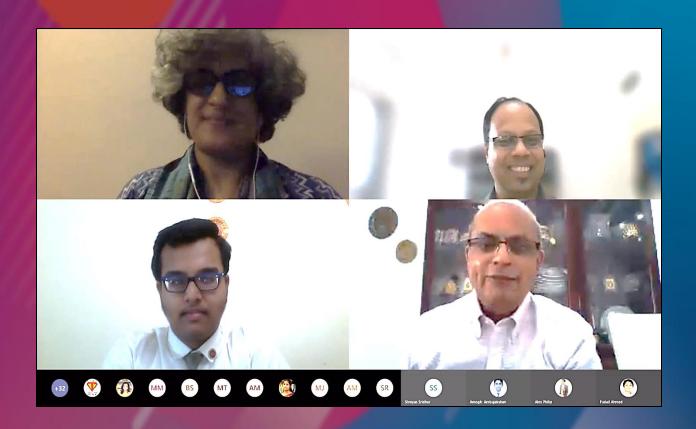
" Clubs are the instruments through which one can find their hidden talent". The inauguration of various clubs of the school for the academic session 2020-21 took place on 24th June 2020 at 3 pm.

Mr. Srivalsan Murugan, the Principal & CEO of OOB, addressed the newly elected presidents, secretaries, and coordinators of all 13 clubs. The program was a great success and the Principal congratulated the student leaders.



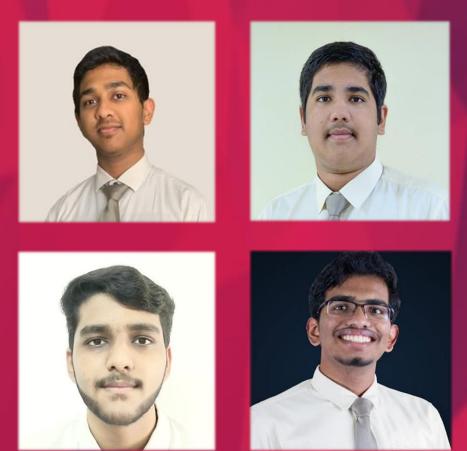
WORKSHOP with Ms. SHOBHANA KUMAR

25th of June 2020, the students of Our Own Boys' Sharjah were blessed and privileged to have the grand opportunity of hosting & interacting with the renowned author, poet, social activist and entrepreneur Ms. Shobhana Kumar in an engaging workshop held by the OOB Literary Club on the virtual online platform -Microsoft Teams.









Furgan Muhammad (12A), Abdul Rauf (12C), Joel Jiji (12C) and Mohamed Firas (12A) represented the school at the Global Innovation Challenge held in February at GEMS Wellington Academy and their project, 'MED.AI' qualified to the top 20 teams from over 600 teams that participated. The Team also won the 'People's Choice Award' and were given the opportunity to participate in an IBM Digital-Nation boot camp in May.







Om Gupta and Mohammed Firas of class 124, emerged First and Second runners-up respectively in the 'Curtin Hackathon Challenge' conducted by the Curtin University of Dubai.



The picture of the 'Fatima Al 7ahra' mosque clicked by Abhiram Smitha of 11B,

fetched the First runner- []p position in the Generation Global 'Picture of the Month-May' Contest.





Joel Jiji of 120 was placed second in 'Tattawar Innovation Programme' receiving a cash incentive of USD 2000. His project, AccelAgro, a sustainable and eco - friendly alternative to chemical fertilizers was well -received by the panel of judges and catapulted his project to the top five innovations working towards Sustainable Development Goals.

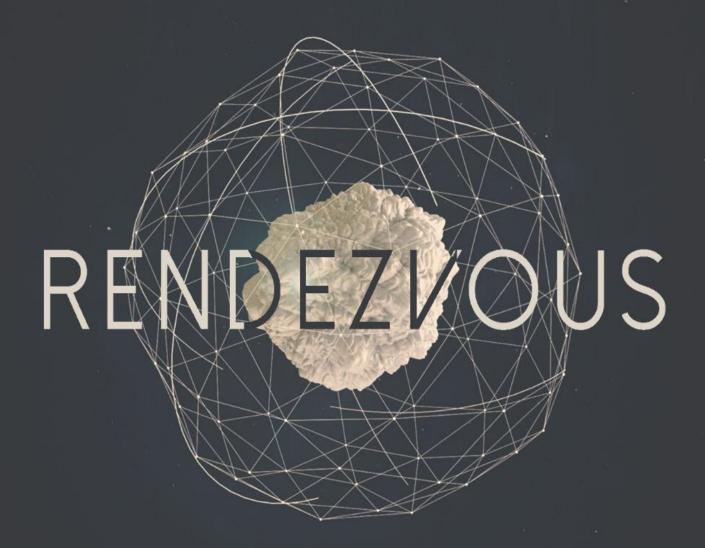
PHEBEL

HAIL THE ROCKSTAR



Vidyuth Vivek of Class 7A was the grand winner at the 'Star Dance Competition', an all India contest, held in Dubai. This energetic youth beat scores of contestants to bag the first





A SNEAK PEEK INTO THE LIFE OF THE EXTRAORDINARY

OFF THE CUFF...

with

Vijay Sir



Q. You have been known for being one of the few teachers who have a record of having a 100% attendance over the past 21 years. What inspires you the most to remain dedicated towards the school and your students?

A. I don't remember to have taken a single day off during my entire OOB tenure. I have spent more number of years with OOB than with my family back home. I love my work and I am grateful to God for keeping me healthy.

I love Interacting with my students and it makes me feel at home. It has always been a joyful experience at OOB Each Day, Everyday.

Q. Sir you have spent a number of years at OOB and have seen the it grow from it's very humble beginnings. How do you feel as being part of the OOB family for so many years?

A. I joined OOEHS (Main Branch) on 3rd January 1999. My journey with OOB started with 700 students. Our buses were non-AC, we had a six-day week, no playground, and no auditorium..

We shifted to Muweilah with almost all the facilities which included a small playground, 2 basketball courts and a multipurpose hall.

When I look back at this long journey, I feel it's been a lifetime – an entire journey, which has been filled with so many learnings and memories... memories that I will Cherish Forever...

" It has always been a joyful experience at OOB..."

Q. You have been an inspiration to many budding sportsmen at OOB and have been a driving force behind many accolades achieved by the school. What has been your message to the students on achieving success?

A. There is no short cut to hard work 'No gain without pain'. The day you start enjoying the pain (hard work), nobody can stop you from achieving greater heights - Dedication along with commitment makes ...

'Great Players'.

My dream will come true when I see an OOBite representing his nation at the Olympics, some day.

Q. As we face such a challenging situation presently, do you think OOB has encountered similar challenges before and how do you feel has it tackled the challenges and emerged successful in all its endeavors?

A. We never had this kind of pandemic situation before...

If we were to compare a challenging situation, I would say, it would definitely be the shifting of our campus from Muweilah to Juwaiza.

But under the capable leadership of Mr. Srivalsan Murugan, this challenge was met successfully. It just took one visit for the walk-in visitors and our parents to realize the vision of the school.

Q. We would like to know about your hobbies

A. Firstly, Singing – It keeps me refreshed . Secondly, Cooking -I learnt Cooking after joining OOB, 'Necessity indeed is the Mother of Invention'. Today, people look forward to my invitations- I guess that tells you about my culinary skills... (You too are invited ...But, only Vegetarian)

" You too are invited...But, only Vegetarian..."

MS. LIZY **FRANCO**

Q. What inspired you to choose teaching as a career?

A. I was not keenly interested in teaching and I initially wanted to become a doctor but missed the admission into the medical college by a mere 2%. This, thereby took me to my much loved subject, CHEMISTRY, and I then pursued further studies in that field. In my college years, I was the President of the Chemistry Association. As for teaching, I was drawn towards the profession when I discovered my love for it during my final college year. After that, decided to pursue teaching as my career, did my B.Ed, and worked in the school I had once studied in.

Q. What were the subjects and hobbies that interested you the most as a student?

A. As it seems pretty obvious, my favorite subjects at school were Science and Math. I used to love these subjects and I still do. In my free time, I used to listen to the songs of Michael Jackson and also did a bit of gardening.



"Never criticize anybody, Everybody is unique".

Q. What in you opinion is your definition of a good student?

A. Student with moral values... Values as in Humility, Honesty and Compassion. I feel values are as important as education.

Q. What do you think of teaching as a profession, what is its best part?

A. Teaching is a noble profession. Teachers nurture students and inculcate values in them thereby, shaping their future and the future of the world. Personally, I love my profession. The part I like the best about teaching is the discussions that I have with students. I really enjoy making concepts easy for the students and it gives me immense satisfaction to see that I have been successful in clearing all their scientific concepts.

"9 love my profession"

Q. You have been a part of OOB for almost 20+ years, any advice you would like to give to your students?

A. Chase your dreams, follow your conscience and work hard because it's only hard work, that brings in result. Something that I would love to see in every student, particularly an OOBite, is the presence of moral values.

Interviewed by Mayur Jhamnani

SOARING HEIGHTS -An Interview With **JOEL JIJI**

Strengths

Fearless of the unknown Always open to new ventures and challenges. I believe risks and pressure bring out the best in me.

Open to criticism - I always put in my best in whatever I do and criticism doesn't bother me. I take each and every criticism as a learning experience.

<u>Self-Reliance</u> - I believe selfreliance is an amazing strength. It sometimes does require extra attention, but I feel it's worth giving a try.

Weaknesses

- The word 'NO'- This negative word always acts positive for me. I do push myself to the extremes, but definitely I have learnt a lot.
- Time management: Really bad at it. I prioritize quality and at times exceed the deadline.
- Hobbies: No limits- I like everything - Browsing/Art in any form /Music/ Writing and Poetry / Photography & Cinematography



"I always put in my best in whatever I do..."



Advice to Juniors

2 years ago, I was a shy boy in the corner who never expressed himself.... just another boy, waiting for someone to free me from the cage. But then I realized that the key to unlocking this cage is with<mark>in</mark> ourselves. We all need a small spark to help us find the lost key in ourselves and for me it was the few people whom I met who lead me out of the cage. The key may differ from person to person but one should never give up. Go beyond your limits and chase your dreams.

What I enjoy about school

It provides me a platform to express almost everything and I really appreciate all the Teachers and Staff, supporting uplifting students in all fields. The School has definitely played a huge role in making me who I am today.

Achievements

- Represented UAE in the 27th NCSC National Children's Science Congress with research regarding the acceleration of plant growth.
- Tatawwar Program: I have represented UAE amongst competitors from the MEA region (Middle East south Africa) and was placed 2nd overall making me an Official presenter for the EXPO 2021.
- YOUFEST Music band: Was a part of 'OBLIVION', the first contemporary student band from our school to participate in an interschool competition. Our band was placed 2nd in the National level and 1st in the regional
- Global Innovation Challenge: Being a part of 'MED.AI' was an amazing experience - all our hard work fetched us the People's Choice Award.

UP AND CLOSE GAURAV J.

Favorite subjects

I actually like all subjects. But, if you ask me to choose a particular subject it would solidly be Science - a unique subject where you get to know about all the interesting things in the world and expand your knowledge to a great extent.

Thoughts On E-learning

Keeping in mind the current situation, I do like the Distance Learning Initiative.



Hobbies

Playing the Ukulele - I like the sound of it. When I was a kid I was not much into music. But, now after listening to a lot of songs, I am really interested in music and am also an active member of the Rhapsody Club of the school.

"9 love Science..."

"...sound of Ukulele..."



Doing My Best

Honestly, learning inspires me to do my best. Our teachers make learning quite interesting by giving us assignments and making us do activities in class. It truly motivates me to drag myself off my bed every morning.

Aim in Life

I want to achieve great heights and become a Programmer in future. I have already started coding and in future, would certainly love to be a part of the 'OOB Innovator's Club'.

Upon receiving the 'Sharjah Excellence Award'

I feel blessed to have received the award and really thankful to the people who have helped me achieve this -

Principal Sir, Shameetha Ma'am and the entire school who supported me in this fascinating journey which I thoroughly enjoyed.

"Learning inspires me to do my best everyday."

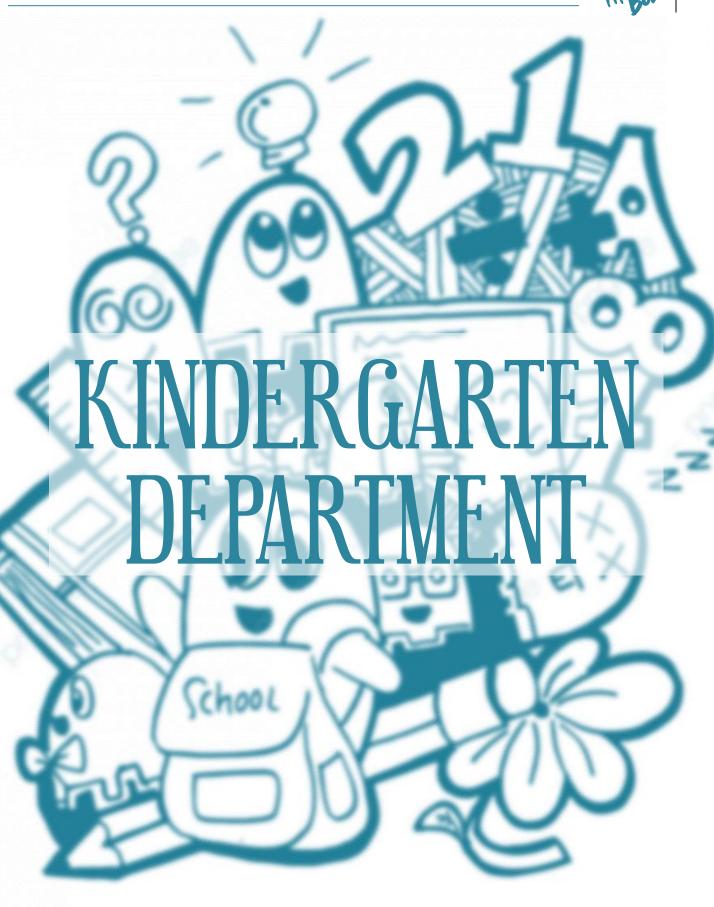
"... really thankful to the people who have helped me achieve this..."

Interviewed by Aashay Rane

WELLNESS AT OOB



From a colourful platter advice from our school doctors, soulful ocarina, and soulful renditions from our music department to soothing eye exercises from our physical education department, well-being forms the core of OOB. And this was enthusiastically put into practice by the school staff at the Online Wellness Session conducted exclusively for them.



CATCH THE BEAT



FITNESS IS AN ESSENTIAL PART OF CHILDREN'S HEALTH - ON THE OCCASION OF 'THE KINDERGARTEN DAY', OUR TINY TOTS WERE INTRODUCED TO THEIR FIRST VIRTUAL ZUMBA CLASS - DEFINITELY A SIGHT TO BEHOLD ...

DEAR MOM!



The bond of a mother and her child is inexplicable. To celebrate the same bond of affection and love, our Kindergarteners celebrated 'Mother's Day' by crafting handmade cards for their moms - emotional writing does establish a real connection.

Eid Mubarak



The KG Department had its first virtual assembly. It was a pre-recorded assembly with videos from our students reciting the Surah and talking about various aspects of the assembly.



MY DOCTOR'S VISIT



Hygiene is 2 thirds of health.

The school doctor visited every KG class to explain the need of hygiene in our lives.

WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY

- A TRIBUTE TO OUR DEAR PLANET...



Love nature, it's something we all have in common.

Saving the environment is the topmost priority of the students at OOB. Students of KG1 and KG2 learnt the importance of celebrating 'World Environment Day'. They were delighted to learn about the 3 R's-Reduce, Reuse and Recycle.

Say 'NO' to Plastics !!!

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT

STEAM ACTIVITIES

Science, Technology, Engineering, And Mathematics



STEAM at it's best in the Primary Department - activities ranging from regrowing plants, phases of the moon to creating a planet of their own.

INNOVATION SIMPLY REDEFINED !!!

Acts Of Kindness



The jewels of kindness and respect of the Primary Department shine bright. 30 good deeds in my Ramadan Jar initiative.

"It's not how much we give, but how much love we put into giving."

Virtual Field Trip



The first ever virtual field trip organized by the Primary Department was a great way to take a break from the day-to-day grind as the students enjoy their trips to their dream holiday destinations in the comforts of their home.

HOMCATION - Staying Home, Enjoying More!!!

Eid Celebrations



The Primary Department organized a virtual Eid Celebration, a parental engagement activity where parents along with their ward shared the joy and happiness of Eid. This initiative was dedicated to our ancillary staff.

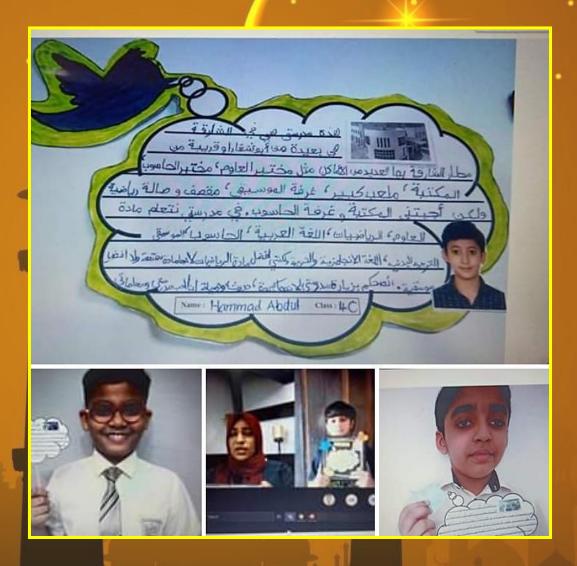
Cyber Security



'Cyber Safety Awareness' was the topic of a very interactive in-class assembly in the Primary Department. The students were made aware of the various rules and regulations of learning in a virtual atmosphere.

Stay Safe, Stay Cyber Secure !!!

Arabic Week



The students of The Primary Department took active part in the activities conducted during the Arabic Week with much fervor and passion, enthusiastically celebrating the beautiful language.



Parent Orientation



We, at OOB staunchly believe that parents play a major role in a child's learning which is why our school hosted a virtual Orientation program for the parents to enlighten them about the distant Learning Platform and much more.

"Because Parents are the Best Teachers, when it comes to Lessons of Life..."

Environment Day



As the budding OOBite environmentalists share their thoughts and ideas how to make the environment a better place to live in, many others were inspired to share their opinions on how we could prevent pollution and find sustainable alternatives for an eco-friendly lifestyle.

YOGA FOR HEALTH YOGA AT HOME



On the occasion of 'International Yoga Day', the students and parents of Grade 6 pledged towards a healthier lifestyle in an engaging assembly themed on the event.

SENIOR MIDDLE DEPARTMENT

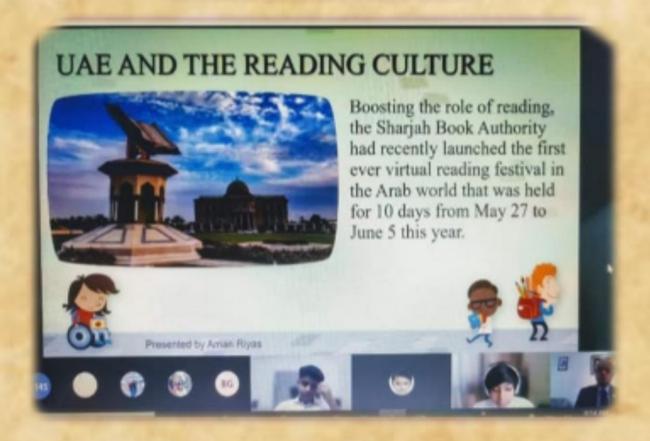
ANTI-CYBERBULLYING



" STOP CYBER BULLYING, BECAUSE IT ONLY TAKES A CLICK TO RUIN SOMEONE'S LIFE...

The students of Grade 7 had a virtual Anti-cyber bullying assembly to combat the growing threat of Cyber bullying

READ AND INSPIRE



The students of Senior Middle were part of an engaging seminar on the 'Importance of Reading' as a hobby. The students were inspired to read more and enrich their skills while staying at home.

EXHIBITING THE CONCEPT



Aiden Ajay of 7B uses flip grid to create a City Map exhibiting the concept of Lines and Angles.

Learning Never Stops!!!

Footprints on Social Media



Karthikayini of 7H has a special message for all of us!

This is what Raizen of 7H has to say! A beautiful idea indeed!







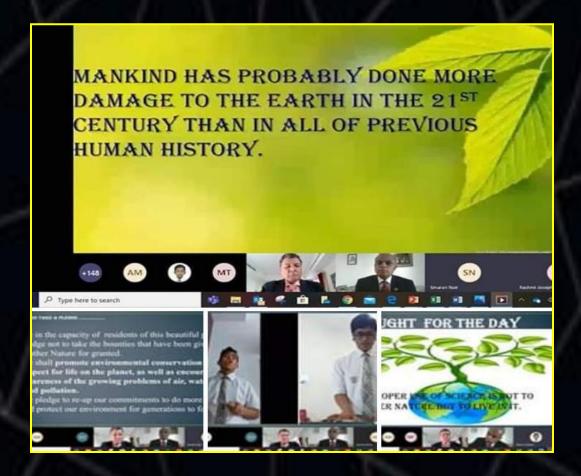
Message of Jinto Joshy of 8D in response to his library assignment.

Stronger Together!

#BattlingItOutTogether

SECONDARY & SENIOR DEPARIMENT

FROM BOYS TO MEN!



Despite being miles apart during these trying times, the Secondary School at 00B worked together to put up their first ever online assembly.

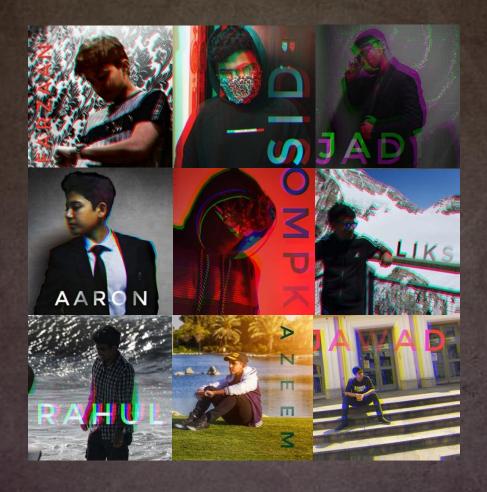


Students of class 12D, pay a short tribute to their fathers on the occasion of 'Fathers' Day'.



Students of Class 12E presented a wonderful assembly on the 'Importance of Hobbies'.

THE VIARIES



9 enthusiastic 12th grade multimedia vloggers of OOB under a collaborative initiative have started an exciting vlog-sharing channel on the YouTube video sharing network under the name of 'The Viaries'. They upload regular cinematized vlogs along with much more amazing and promising content on the channel regularly.

OOB PRAYS FOR WELL-BEING



OOB offered a Nasheed responding to the call to prayer raised by the Higher Committee of Human Fraternity under the patronage of Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi, His Highness Sheikh Mohammed Bin Zayed Al Nahyan, to pray as a single human family to our Creator that we would overcome the current COVID-19 pandemic together.





THE TOY LAND.

A toy can be a boy, which never shows joy! when a time comes, I will be the joyful person! To my dearest toys, this what happens, My hat introduces to the toys.

> Many teddies appear on the stage, Soldiers enter with rage! There is a big chaos going on, there comes Mr. Police man!

Is a stag which wears a wig, And a twig passes through. "OH! OH! OH! What a funny sight, which is not a bright site.

HA!! HA!! HA!!" Said the doll. SO AMAZING I can't stop praising you. HUH!! Who is it?

There lay my toys neatly in a cupboard. Did it really wink at me?? "STOP THINKING" said my brain, "OH! OH! OH! It was a wonderful dream.

VENOMOUS VIRUS.

A little gust, a gentle breeze, When turns into a storm It starts destroying us, And it's difficult to make it normal.

> "We'll do it, it's easy", That's what the humans say, But in a different way.

That's what has happened today,
Which has left people with a rather grumpy face,
Taking away their happiness and grace.
That's what happen when you don't respect nature,
It will surely affect your future.

In some or the other way,
In some or the other part,
But there's always a start.
The humans understand it today,
But will forget it tomorrow.

They need to spread awareness,
Instead of sitting with a face filled with sorrow.
This is nothing other than nature's message,
Saying, "Please don't harm me."

LOCKDOWN DIARIES.

The doors of the hypermarket open. Out rolled a green trolley, filled to the brim with groceries. Mia pushed the cart up to her cabriolet. She pulled up the trunk and loaded her supplies. She got onto the driver's seat and retracted the car's roof. The car backed up and crushed a few bushes which were planted beside the parking lot. Mia did not care. She drifted onto the highway, leaving behind a trail of dreary clouds, and laxity. The drive was smooth, until when, a few minutes later, the fuel gauge light started to blink. Mia sighed. She pulled her car up at the nearest petrol station. Fortunately for her, the station was right around the corner. She grabbed her mask on her way out of the car. While the car was being filled, Mia bought a burger and sat on a bench, near her vehicle. She crinkled the foil paper and tried to dunk it into a bin which was only a few feet away from her. She missed, but didn't care much about it. A buzz from behind startled her. A T.V. hummed with news. The news reporter introduced the headlines. "Drastic decrease in pollution and exponential increase in the amount of flora and fauna in the country. The weather is getting clearer by the day. The government requests everyone to do their part for the environment." The woman smiled. She picked up the tin foil and tossed it into the bin. "I will." She whispered.

WHAT KEPT ME AWAKE

I tell them that I can hear a sound At night it keeps me awake Yet they ignore my warning profound Voices that make my head ache

I hear it clearly every night Sometimes it's high sometimes it's low Yet it always fills me with fright To say 'Art thou friend or foe'

Sometimes I hear a violin Or a sound as loud as thunder But 'tis the silence therein About the strange sounds, I wonder

I delight to say I live in the country Away from the pollution of the city But 'twas, not the sound of the cricket that found me But an ominous racket, 'Ah what a pity'

> I figured out the source of the roaring Although I had to sacrifice my sleep 'Twas good old dad engaging in some snoring Goodbye I'm off to count my sheep

> > - By Joshua Joseph (10G)



MUSIC OF THE WAVES.

I stand alone in the middle of the ocean, With not a person or soul to be known.

The bustling city and huge busy crowds, I have travelled far away from home.

I close my eyes, then the silence dies, when the ocean gives out a terrifying roar.

The roar is fierce, the roar is wild, I cannot imagine anything more.

Millions of memories brush past my skin, As I resonate with them deep within.

> I absorb the serenity, To the depth of my core.

The music of the waves, I can suddenly hear no more.

- By Shubhankar Ghosh (11B)

STORM SONNET.

Ricocheting the winds blew Came with it, subtle dew

In the sky, mighty birds flew On the streets are walking few

As the winds blow stronger With loud thorny thunder

Leaves stutter, branches flutter The storm bellows loud and longer

Yesterday; you would remember When the deer and the tiger

> Chased each other Now in storm together

Know there priorities better Beware! The storm bellows louder

- By Mayur Jhamnani (11D)

PINK SKIES

- Letting it all change

The skies seemed different then, But glimmering with happiness as always And I let it all change, Coz I wanted more pink than stains

I wanted to it all to stay forever, Yet all of it wanted to leave I let go and named it love, Submerged in rage then rose to feel pleased

I took my hand, And held onto it forever To remind me that things will change, But I'll be mine even with the moving skies

> Took a decision to save you, And to save me For once that it was about me, It all seemed selfish again

So I let it change, Loved myself and saved my life I didn't love your skies less, I just loved more the insane pink synced in my skies...

KEYBOARD

It's a random evening As I watch the setting sun Standing before my keyboard Its cleaning had just been done

l stare, wistful Softly sliding my fingers Over the black and white keys The numerous little singers

Hesitant, a little press A Sound, A Smile, A Sigh For that beautiful sound Filled me with delight, Oh My!

I take a breath, quietly My fingers ready, still And I tried playing a song With a sort of beginner's thrill

And the fingers began As though with minds of their own Dancing with the keys but The left hand still as stone

But then a wrong note Faltered, I pause, still Confidence lost, A sigh, unlike A younger me and his skill

Who would effortlessly play on As though an error was never made A smile on his parents and on him as he played

"That was foolish of me" I hear myself say "A journey of progress Was abandoned halfway"

I feel small, so small As if the keyboard before me Looked at me with distaste A faint face on the keys I see

My eyes lit with intent Much like my past self Determined, I took a book And pen from my old shelf

And placed it on the stand Now the keys welcoming me Smiling, I say out loud "Let's try again shall we?"

By Alex Moby Philip (12B)

CIRCLE OF LIFE...

The messages buzzed in with alarming alacrity.

Had your breakfast and greens"?" The pastel shade of the kurta matches the long earrings we had purchased

Don't be too distracted by your mobile that you walk towards the middle of the road".

Life has come full circle. My daughter - my matryoshka.

By Ms. Jessy Paulose

(Supervisor - National Agenda, UAE Social Studies and Moral Education)



THE JOURNEY CONTINUES

TO, THE TEACHER,

Today as I looked at myself in the mirror, my eyes were looking dull without mascara and eyeliner, but they were very proud of me as they saw me evolving as more responsible and committed teacher. Though the skin looked bit dull (as no time to pamper it)....but it still looked more graceful than ever radiating the beauty of knowledge to thousands in need. Since we started, every day seems like a battle. It's a battle with our own selves and we all are fighting to safeguard the lives of students who have put their trust on us. The path was never easy, it is always full of challenges, but we never gave up. We continued to work and are like those white light which passes through the tiny droplet of water and becomes a rainbow of somebody's life (Yes, we are making their life colorful....kyunki har rang kuch kehta hain....).

We are like the roots of a tree which are not visible but the only support that keeps the tree upright. Every tiny root hair is responsible for delivering the impeccable strength to the tree....it is difficult to describe ... as it is beyond imagination and creativity. We are like that lamp that keeps on burning to dispel the darkness and keeps on enlightening the souls. Definitely there is some supernatural power that is with us, within us which kept us moving... even when the whole world has come to a still....this power chose all of us to become a part of this incredible journey and serve the generation... And at the end we all come up successfully....yes we not have reached the destination yet...but we are SUCCESSFUL as SUCCESS IS NOT DESTINATION ITS A JOURNEY.....Keep moving....

FROM. A TEACHER...

MY FATHER...

I just want you to know You mean the world to me

Only a heart as dear as yours Would give so unselfishly.

The many things you've done, all the times that you were there,

Helps me know deep inside how much you really care.

Even though I might not say it, I appreciate all that you do

So richly blessed is how I feel For having a Father like you.

> By Dr. Shabana Salim Teacher



I WRITE...

I write to talk to my broken soul, to romanticize my feelings To capture the depths of untold thoughts, to accentuate the bias of uncertainty I write to find the lost you in my words, To etch my bleeding pain brimming over inside me so that one day it reaches out to you. Words astound and carve me, a niche of my own letting me be They're thoughts that don't get washed away in a night's sleep, the ones that are too beautiful to be buried inside a few fleeting seconds. The contemplations that sometimes get stuck behind reluctant sighs, I shove them away, far from the naked eye. I write to materialize the turmoil that goes on inside me To suddenly vanish as they bleed through my pen. Writing calms me down, and relieves me from the burden of emotions I carry in my heart. I write to clear my head, off the ever burgeoning thoughts, But most importantly, I write because that is when I'm the rawest as I realign with myself.

> By Reena Kurian -Teacher

HEY! LISTEN...

The world is burning around Yet let us sing Songs with edgy tunes Of love Love that we once had Love that was denied In process **Turbulent** Complicated Reciprocated, unrequited. For the world is burning And I am in the world. Sooner or later I shall burn and you will burn too but let's not just stop breathing. While doing things that others said Rather Let's die singing The song of our Love That we had And also of the one We didn't...

> By Zainab Hossain - Teacher

HINDI POEM

चिडिया

गीत सूरीले गाती चिड़िया जन जन को बहलाती चिडिया सूरज की किरणों से पहले उठकर हमको रोज उठाती चिडिया इधर-उधर से ही अपना खाना खाती चिड़िया तिनका तिनका इकट्ढा कर अपना घर बनाती चिड़िया मेहनत करके दाना इकट्ठा करती चिड़िया डालों पर बैठ कर अपना गान गाती चिड़िया उम्मीद और हौंसले की पहचान है चिडिया हमको पाट मेहनत का सिखाती चिडिया जिनकी शोभा उनके पंख वह कहलाती चिड़िया

> By Ms. Nitu Kumari Teacher

MALAYALAM POEM

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പ്പരിചിലെന്ദ് പുന്യുവ്യ മന്തിമസ്യന്തർന്നു സാൻ afference enactor monotore existencing മുളിനുമാല് വിന്ദന്ത വന്ന മധവെ നോക്കി നാന്ത ത്രാലകന്നതിലൂടെ കരണ്ടാൾ നിട്ടി മഴുടെ പുണർന്നു നാടൻ സൊടിലിലെ പുഷ്ട് ഭവണ്ട്വിൻ മുന്നുമന്നികൾ പേലാ ^ചോലു എല് ്രസുബുക ബ്യിക്കുട്ട് ക്യൂട്ട് പാകാ മർ ചയക്കാറ് രാജിറീന്വും ജലച്ചുവഴചാവം -കളി പന്നെന്ന കിളികുള്ള മും കസ്യ നിന്നു സാന്ന signs eases (must unsurellers to a arily പ്രസ്തെ സാധാശിച്ചുക ദീവേ ബാസ്പലനേ അവേദി ട് ദിനവുമെന്ന് പുലരിക്കാൻ മ്യക്കുറ്റിനുന്നു കിൻ സാൻ മൊന്നില്ലാപാലി അന്ത്രപോഗെംഗ് eanamo ou

- By Ms. Shijitha Nazar - Teacher















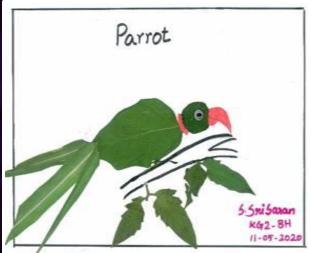








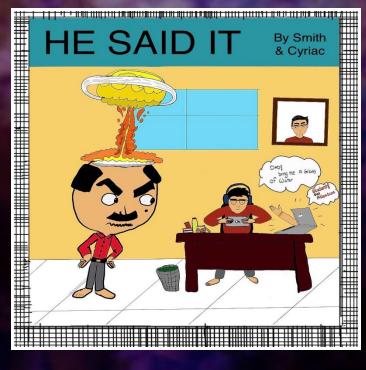








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