



# YPS Times

NEWSLETTER OF YADAVINDRA PUBLIC SCHOOL, PATIALA (September to December, 2020)

NEWS IN BRIEF

- The School reopened for classes IX-XII (for guidance and doubt clearance) after a hiatus of seven months
- School students participated in the Sports Authority of India initiative, 'Fit India Freedom Run' from September 1-15. 171 students participated and ran a total distance of 4628 kilometres.
- School students participated in a large array of intra and inter-school online competitions during the term, which included MUN Conferences, Art competitions, Quizzes and Essay Writing contests.
- Reyaan Athwal was selected among the top 17 finalists of the annual 'Nanhi Chaan Essay Writing Contest'
- Continuing the annual tradition, the alumni of the Golden and Silver Jubilee batches of 1970 and 1995, respectively, were hosted to a virtual OY Reunion by the School.
- Raissa Batra and Udai Pratap Singh of class VIII participated in competitions and had their short stories published by leading national and international publishing houses. Meanwhile, school students continued to write arduously and several of them received appreciation for their articles and poems published in newspapers.

## FIRST THOUGHT

"Dreams  
are our  
foundation  
for  
SUCCESS"

Gunmay Garg, IX-0

## INTER-SCHOOL ONLINE ACTIVITIES



### YPS Student in Final 17 of the 'Nanhi Chaan essay Writing Contest'

**Reyaan Athwal**, XI Science, was among the 17 finalists of the 'Nanhi Chaan' Essay Writing contest. Her performance was applauded and she received a Certificate of Appreciation and a gift of a Samsung M21 phone. It is to be noted that YPS, Patiala, students have been consistently making it to the final round of this pan-India contest over the last few years.

### YPS Student First in AFS Quiz

**Divyam Bansal**, VIII-N, stood 1<sup>st</sup> in MUN AFS quiz organised by AFS( American Field Service) Intercultural Programs, India. The title of the quiz was 'The Responsible Earthling' and had more than 18 students from

### Students Win Accolades for Short Story Writing

**Raissa Batra**, VIII E, won the first prize in an International Short Story competition hosted City Limits Publishing, USA. She participated in the Thriller/suspense category and was awarded a cash prize \$ 200.

**Udai Pratap Singh**, VIII, participated in 'Write Now' a guided writing and publishing programme conducted by Scholastic Publishers. He qualified two levels to have his short story 'The Devil of Detroit' published in a book titled, 'Fire & Ice- Eighteen Short Stories'.

### YPS Students Qualify for Equestrian Nationals

Three school students participated in the Regional

Equestrian League conducted by Punjab Public School, Nabha, and qualified for the Nationals. The students are –

1. **Kanav Garg**, XI Commerce
2. **Bilawal Shergill**, IX N
3. **Agamjeet Batra**, IX N

In another prestigious event – HESA Horse Show –held in Mohali, the medals were won by the following students-

1. **Keerat Kaur**, XI Science - Bronze
2. **Kanav Garg**, XI Commerce- Bronze
3. **Agamjeet Batra**, IX N –Silver
4. **Bilawal Singh Shergill**, IX N –Silver

The following students won medals in the PEA Horse Show and the Regional Equestrian League held in Chandigarh -

1. **Kanav Garg**, XI Commerce- Silver
2. **Bilawal Singh Shergill**, IX N –Gold
3. **Agamjeet Batra**, IX N –Silver
4. **Mankirat Singh**, IV P- 1 gold, 1 silver and 2 bronze medals

**Gold Medal in District Fencing**  
**Avreen Kaur Bains**, VI N, participated in the District Fencing Championship. She won a gold medal in U-12 category and a

silver medal in U-14 category in Sabre event

• **Two Top Slots for School Student in Tennis Tournaments**

Our student **Uday Batra**, IX P, participated in a Tennis Tournament held at Roots Tennis Academy, Zirakpur, and secured the first position. He defeated 75 opponents in the Boys U-16 category. He yet again achieved the first position in a tournament held at Ludhiana.

• **E-Certificates in AFS (American Field Service) India Master Chef Competition**

Master Chef Competition was organised by AFS Intercultural, India, on August 23. 15 students from YPS participated and were awarded E- Certificates. The participants were also taken on a virtual tour of Paraguay -The Heart of South America- in which culture, dance forms, population, language spoken and historical places were shown.

• **Students Win Positions in Literary Contest**

YPS students participated in different categories of an online competition organised by St. Kabir International School, Vadodara. **Kanwar Sidhu**, XI Arts, and **Anirudh Gupta**, XI Science, participated in the News Broadcasting category in which Kanwar won the 3<sup>rd</sup> prize. Similarly, **Divroop Kaur Sandhu**, VIII O, and **Hargun Gill**, VII O, proved their acumen in 'Story-Telling Through Shadows' event and Hargun secured the 2<sup>nd</sup> position.

• **School Student wins Consolation prize in 'Ambassadors of Hope'**

Divroop Sandhu, VIII O, was among the top 400 consolation prize winners in the state-sponsored initiative, 'Ambassadors of Hope'

• **1<sup>st</sup> Position in Inter-School**



**Hindi Recitation Competition**

Two students- **Gunmay Garg**, IX O, and **Divroop Sandhu**, VIII O, participated in a Hindi poetry Recitation Competition organised by Lawrence school Sanawar, on the occasion of the National Language Hindi Divas. 28 renowned schools participated in this event. Divroop Sandhu stood first in the competition, reciting Harivansh Rai Bachchan's poem, 'Andhere ka Deepak', a poem revolving around the idea - 'Every Dark Cloud has a Silver Lining'

• **Three YPS Students Felicitated on 'Hindi Diwas'**

The following three students were felicitated by publishing house, 'Madhuban Parkashan' for securing 99 Marks in Hindi in Class X Examination, 2020- Mannat, Mehul and Geetansh

Gupta.

• **Student Teams Attend MUN Conferences**

School students attended several MUN Conferences hosted during the term and won the following awards -

- Vivek High School, Chandigarh
  - Aaina Saini**, X O -Special Mention
  - Kanav Bansal**, X E -Best Position Paper
  - Divroop Kaur Sandhu**, VIII O -Verbal Mention
  - Vardhan Bansal**, X - Verbal Mention
- Rajkumar College, Rajkot
  - Aaina Saini**, X O -Best Delegate
- Genesis Global School, Noida-
  - Inayat Grewal**, X E -Special Mention
  - Gunraj Kaur**, VIII N -Best Journalist

4. A team of 11 YPS delegates participated in an MUN Conference hosted by La Martiniere, Lucknow collaboration with the United Nations Information Centre for India and Bhutan.
- **Students Participate in International Youth Day Celebrations**  
School students participated in a Global Conference held on the occasion of the International Youth Day celebrations. The conference was organised by SAI International School, Bhuvneshwar, and focused on the subject of Mental Health.
  - **Students Participate in Art Collaboration Project**  
A team of YPS students participated in an Art

Collaboration Project organised by KC Public School, Jammu. The theme was 'Folk Art and Artists of the World'.

- **School Student Wins Best Delegate Title at Crisis Summit**

A team of 8 students from the School participated in a Crisis Summit hosted by Raj Kumar College, Raipur. From the group, Aiana Saini, X O, won the Best Delegate award.

- **Laurels in Badminton**

Shikhar Ralhan, IX P, participated in two invitational tournaments in the month of October. In the first tournament held at Kapurthala, Punjab, he won a bronze medal in the under-19 Boys' category. The second tournament was held at Shivalik Public School, Mohali,

where he won a gold medal in the under-17 category. A total of 24 best-known players of the tri-city participated in the latter.

- **Medals in Archery**

Simranjeet Kaur, XE, won a silver medal in the under-14 category in the SGFI Nationals held at Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh. She also won 3 silver medals in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Field Archery State Championship.

- **Students Attend Six Zoom Post Card Events**

School students attended six Zoom Postcard Events during the term hosted-

1. Ballard Grammar School, Australia
2. Radford College, Australia
3. Appleby College, Canada
4. Roedean School, South Africa
5. Indian High School, Dubai
6. Hyderabad Public School, Begumpet

## INTRA-SCHOOL ONLINE ACTIVITIES

- **RESULTS OF INTER-SECTION ART COMPETITION**

The following students were awarded Certificates of Appreciation (Middle School)

Table Mat Design

1. Karman Kaur, VI N
2. Mehraj Singh, VI P
3. Fateh Singh, VI N
4. Avreen Bains, VI N
5. Aarohi Goyal, VI O

Ceramic Plate Painting

1. Harmanmeet Singh Batra, VII E
2. Renee Dhadli, VII E
3. Aarav Goel, VII N
4. Sifet Alhuwalia, VII P
5. Avraj Singh, VII E

'Ganesh' Mural

1. Vaani Goyal, VIII E
2. Divroop Kaur Sandhu, VIII O
3. Aryan Puri, VIII E
4. Shresth Singh, VIII E
5. Manan Bansal, VIII P

The following students have received Certificates of Merit for Outstanding Performance (Senior School)

1. Anandita Ahuja, XII

**Arts**

2. Sanchita Gupta XII

**Arts**

3. Sehar Sidhu, XII

**Commerce**

4. Pavit Panag, XII

**Science**

5. Shemoila Saini, XI Arts
6. Rahat Gill, X O
7. Ansh Taneja, X O
8. Kiratnoor Bajwa, IX N
9. Jhanavi Jain, IX E
10. Karuna Jain, IX E

The following students have received Certificates of Appreciation for Commendable Effort

1. Ananya Ahuja, XII Arts
2. Megha Mittal, XII Arts
3. Gurnoor Kaur, XII Accounts
4. Divjot Kang, XII Accounts
5. Sukoon Shergill, XII Commerce
6. Sakshi Dhaliwal, XII Science
7. Khyati Bansal, XI Arts
8. Pavit Dhillon, XI Arts
9. Gurnoor Sehgal XI Arts

10. Chitra Goyal, XI Arts

11. Gurleen Singh, XI Arts

12. Suveer Kaur, X E

13. Shana Mukherjee, X E

14. Amrita Gurram, X N

15. Nimar Sidhu, X N

16. Yashvir Chatrath, X P

17. Yasmeen Khroud, X E

18. Aasma, X O

19. Dakshita Bhalla, IX P

20. Vanshaj Goel, IX N

21. Divya Sekhon, IX E

22. Angel Goyal, IX O

**RESULTS OF TOPIC**

**PRESENTATION –**

The following students have been awarded Certificates of Merit- XII Arts

1. Ananya Sharma
2. Aryan Duggal
3. Tanisha Garg
4. Pratishtha Bajaj
5. Megha Mittal
6. Ananya Ahuja
7. Guneet Kaur
8. Arvind Chahal
9. Bhavya Garg

XII Science

1. Pavit Panag
2. Gurmehar Kaur

	3. Simarleen Kaur		5. Kanav Bansal		4. Erica Singh
	4. Gurnoor Kaur	X N			5. Gurjas Singh Uppal
	5. Afreen Nakai		1. Poorva Puri	XI Science	
XII Commerce			2. Nimar Sidhu		1. Aayush Goel
	1. Naaz Puri		3. Anahat Billing		2. Kirat Kaur
	2. Khushi Dalla		4. Udaybir Chahal		3. Beeruday Singh Brar
	3. Sehar Sidhu		5. Savr Bansal		4. Harjap Singh
	4. Sukoon Shergill	The following students have been		X O	1. Anahat Kaur
	5. Aadil Saluja	awarded Certificates of			2. Parth Garg
XII Accounts		Appreciation–			3. Yashub Goel
	1. Divjot Kang	XII Arts			4. Alankar Chahal
	2. Gurnoor Kaur		1. Aadishwar Alhuwalia		5. Sanya Chauhan
	3. Argunmeet Kaur		2. Anandita Ahuja	X P	
	4. Sehajveer Kaur		3. Damneet Kaur Shergill		1. Gurmannot Kaur
	5. Vishav Bindal		4. Enyat Shergill		2. Anirudh Singla
XI Arts 1			5. Himnish Gupta		3. Antarpreet Singh
	1. Garima Grover		6. Jaiveer Singh		4. Simar Kaur
	2. Chitra Goel		7. Kanwar Rutajit		5. Shreejapji Kaur
	3. Viraj Jain		8. Kirat Aujla	X E	
	4. Yuvnoor Dhillon		9. Prabhleen Kaur		1. Jasraj Singh
	5. Kanwar Sidhu		10. Qaayenaat Kahlon		2. Nirvair Singh
XI Arts 2			11. Sanchita Gupta		3. Saksham Sharma
	1. Jiya		12. Sehaj Kaur Bangar		4. Shana Mukherjee
	2. Divnoor Samra		13. Zubeir Sira		5. Yasmeen Kaur
	3. Pareesa Sarao	XII Science			
	4. Amrita Chopra		1. Anisha Bajaj	X N	
	5. Gurmukh Singh Brar		2. Kanishk Mehta		1. Mansirat Virk
XI Commerce			3. Tushar Ahluwalia		2. Sarvagya Dev Thapliyal
	1. Rajbir Juneja		4. Gurshaurya Dhaliwal		3. Daksh Malhotra
	2. Gurnoor Chauhan	XII Commerce			4. Diva Goel
	3. Arshjot Kaur Nagpal		1. Jannat Teja		5. Hinam Walia
	4. Harraj Singh		2. Ananya Goel		6. Krish Bansal
	5. Manteshwar Singh		3. Shubham Jain		7. Samaira Goel
XI Science			4. Madhav Aggarwal		8. Tanvi Gupta
	1. Reyaan Athwal	XII Accounts			<b><u>RESULTS OF SPEED TYPING</u></b>
	2. Saumya Gupta		1. Kabir Arora		<b><u>COMPETITION (CLASSES VI</u></b>
	3. Aditya Kumar		2. Navtej Sahni		<b><u>–VIII)</u></b>
	4. Hannah Deol		3. Santokhpreet Kaur	The following students received	
X O-			4. Udayveer Singh	Certificates of Merit for Outstanding	
	1. Aaina Saini		5. Sukhanvar Singh Brar	Effort-	
	2. Nysa Kataria	XI Arts 1			1. Simran Sidhu, VI O
	3. Ansh Taneja		1. Anureet Brar		2. Priya, VIP
	4. Varun Kaushal		2. Ashmeet Kaur		3. Vriti Sharma, VIP
	5. Siya Singla		3. Harkomal Chadha		4. Gursifat Sekhon, VIN
	6. Tanvi Walia		4. Sargun Kaur		5. Aanya Bimbhra, VII O
	7. Raahat Gill		5. Anirudh Malhotra		6. Vanshika, VII O
X P		XI Arts 2			7. Tehzeeb Cheema, VII E
	1. Vansh Singla		1. Bhavkaran Singh		8. Manteg Chahal, VII N
	2. Geetanjali Mann		2. Shemoila Saini		9. Rabbani Batra, VIII P
	3. Manpreet Grewal		3. Brahmjot Singh		10. Divroop Sandhu, VIII O
	4. Crish Chabbra		4. Gurtej Singh		11. Devank Bhalla, VIII E
X E			5. Gauri Garg		12. Hikmat Kaur, VIII O
	1. Udaiveer Singh	XI Commerce		The following students received	
	2. Trishleen Kaur		1. Kudrat Kaur	Certificates of Appreciation for	
	3. Inayat Grewal		2. Suryaansh Bansal	Commendable Effort-	
	4. Sarah Gupta		3. Mannat Sachdeva		1. Kamakshi Gupta, VI O

2. Rehaan Gupta, VI E
3. Pravir Singh, VI N
4. Aryan Gupta, VI E
5. Gaatha Mittal, VI P
6. Jaskaran Singh, VII E
7. Aarav Goel, VII N
8. Bhomik Goyal, VII N
9. Sifet Kaur, VII P
10. Zorawar Singh Sandhu, VII N
11. Amreen Bhinder, VII P
12. Shaurya Garg, VII O
13. Gaurangi Jain, VII E
14. Vedant Singh, VIII E
15. Raissa Batra, VIII E
16. Udai Pratap, VIII E
17. Vaani Goyal, VIII E
18. Seerat Kaleka, VIII P
19. Parul Singla, VIII P
20. Devina Bansal, VIII E

• **Results of Off-Line Cookery Competition**

The following students have received Certificates of Merit

Class VIII-

1. Divroop Kaur Sandhu

2. Devina Bansal
3. Divyam Bansal
4. Gunraj Kaur
5. Kaavya
6. Sresth Singh

Class VII –

1. Dishita Singla
2. Vanshika Bali
3. Anusha Gupta

Class VI –

1. Harshvardhan
2. Kamakshi Gupta
3. Prajnaya Kapoor
4. Shree Vardhan
5. Parihaan
6. Tejas
7. Vriti
8. Akshara
9. Sohila
10. Pakhi

The following students have received Certificates of Appreciation

Class VIII-

1. Adab Kaur
2. Gulnoor Kaur Sandhu
3. Dhriti Jain

4. Sahiba Bhandohal
5. Sruti Bharat
6. Vardaan Veer

Class VII-

1. Krishiv Garg
2. Eishrat Sapra
3. Harangel
4. Tehzeeb Cheema
5. Aahana Goel
6. Ruhtaash Kaur

Class VI-

1. Adesh Singh
2. Anahat Kaur
3. Afina
4. Sugamdhim
5. Mehtaab
6. Srija

• **COMMUNAL HARMONY WEEK**

The School observed the Communal Harmony Week in November. More than 170 students from classes IV to VIII participated in activities which included Essay Writing and Painting competitions on the theme of Communal Harmony.

## 'DIWALI' IN THE TIMES OF COVID!

India takes pride in being a country which holds its culture and ethics above everything else. The convivial quality of our land of festivals was slightly tarnished when it was engulfed by the deadly virus-COVID - 19. It is quite unnerving that none of us could have imagined a scenario like this a year from today. A microscopic virus turned our lives upside down in a matter of months. Everyone had great plans for this year. What we didn't know was that 2020 had its own agenda for all of us.

Celebrating Diwali is by far the most exciting aspect of the year in many Indians' lives. Diwali is a festival which has a special place in everyone's heart and is celebrated with utmost zest and zeal by almost all the ethnic groups in India.

Being in the unprecedented times we are in, Diwali this time had to be definitely different from usual. For me, Diwali has always been a festival

that I eagerly look forward to. I was never a big fan of crackers and this time, it was yet more imperative to restrain from bursting crackers to keep the level of pollution manageable. So, my parents and I devised new methods of celebrating. We went all out in helping the less fortunate ones with clothes, sweets and other goodies-minus the crackers of course. We contacted and spoke over the phone to many friends and family members whom we had not been in touch due to our busy lives. This way, we lit the lives of many aged relatives. I noticed that each one of them felt wanted and respected when we checked on their wellbeing. I myself felt so comforted after each such call and have decided to keep up with this exercise from now on. It is important to celebrate with our close relatives and friends but the style of celebration has to be modified keeping in mind the current situation.

Could the booming of the crackers give me happiness of this kind? I am sure you can guess the answer.

What this pandemic has taught every single one of us is that life goes on even when we're faced by uncertain times. It has taught us that, whatever comes our way, we'll be alright as long as we fight it together.

The spirit of festivity and celebration should never go down, especially in times like these when people need the support and reassurance of their close ones the most.

Though we are living through uncertainty, let us take a short break and forget our worries. Let us celebrate for a brighter future, which we know is awaiting us. Celebrating Diwali in such dispirited and hapless times proved to be a dash of hope. Let us now gear up to welcome 2021 with a new ray of hope!! MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

- *Ekisha Ahluwalia, X-N.*

# Our Alumni Connect... COVID 19 Diary

## HOSTING GOLDEN AND SILVER JUBILEE BATCHES TO VIRTUAL REUNION



Keeping up with its tradition of hosting the alumni in the last quarter of the year and also taking into account the safety precautions to be followed in these COVID -19 times, the school hosted a virtual meet for the alumni who passed out of this majestic institution 50 years and 25 years ago and were to celebrate their Golden Jubilee and Silver Jubilee, respectively, in their alma matter this year. Since a physical meet was not feasible, the virtual meet was considered to be more appropriate to commemorate the jubilee years and also instrumental in bringing back the joy of reuniting with the School and in reviving and refreshing the beautiful memories of the years gone by.

The proposal was welcomed with open arms and at 8pm on the 31<sup>st</sup> of October, 31 OYs of the 1970 batch connected for the Virtual Meet along with former Principal of YPS, **Mr Ajit Singh Jawanda** and former staff member, **Mr. Sadhu Singh Deol**. This was followed by 75 alumni of the 1995 batch joining in on the 1st of November for another virtual meet. Though the physical connect was missing, the evident

happiness, enthusiasm and excitement was more than visible. The physical distance, the different times zones, by no means a deterrent to the joy and nostalgia that pervaded.

Memories were refreshed, friendships were rekindled, teachers were fondly remembered, Cock House parties, meal menus, the little pleasures of bunking the class first and then paying the price for it, the overeating of their favourite dishes, the grinding routine to stay fit and win matches for their House, the escapades to the tuck shop... were all spoken out with an open heart and a smile on their faces. The meet ended on a happy note, with many promises being made of staying in touch with each other and connecting more frequently,

We, here at their alma matter, look forward to meeting them all for a physical connect, when things normalize.

Till then, to our esteemed alumni of the 1970 batch, our cheerful, delightful alumni of the 1995 batch and our former staff members who joined the meet- it was definitely a delight and a privilege to host you!

*Mrs. Tarinder Kaur*

## STAFF WORKSHOPS

- The following staff members attended 'Khelo India Online PE and Community Coaching Programme' organised by the Sports Authority of India -
  1. **Mr. Veglor M Walter**
  2. **Mr. Rakesh Saluja**
  3. **Mr. Amit Kumar**
  4. **Mr. Kuldeep Singh**
  5. **Mr. Nirmal Singh**
  6. **Mr. Arjun Tiwari**
  7. **Ms. Sangita Kumari**
- The following staff members availed the opportunity to attend the 'CISCE Online Training Programme' held as a part of the 'Khelo India Fitness Assessment Programme'-
  1. **Mr. B.B.Duggal**
  2. **Mr. Veglor M Walter**
  3. **Mr. Rakesh Saluja**
  4. **Mr. Amit Kumar**
  5. **Mr. Kuldeep Singh**

## PUBG to FAUG

### The Life of Indian gamers

As soon as our government took away 'PUBG', it's not like the gamers were going to sit tight. Right? So, a copied version of the latter, 'FAUG', came up in the market. Seemingly, people didn't like the Indian version of the game for everyone would rather just download 'PUBG' instead from an international server.

*Fascinating dedication, one must say!*

# YPS PARTICIPATES IN 'FIT INDIA FREEDOM RUN'

171 students from the School ( Senior and the Junior School ) participated in the 'Fit India Freedom Run', an event organised by the Sports Authority of India, covering a distance of 4628 kilometres.

## Participants Opine –

- The lush green lawns and trees ...the fresh breathing air. And the fiery spirit within to make ourselves healthy - physically and mentally. An excellent combination to feed our lazy bones that had been confined to our homes due to COVID !

**Reyaan Athwal, XI Science, and Ranvir Singh Athwal, V P**

- It's fun to make people run and win in video games, but the real fun is in running in the nature around us, experiencing its beauty, and making ourselves physically and mentally fit to win against COVID ...

**Navraj Singh,**

**VIII N, and Jasraj Singh, I P**

- I don't run to add days to my life, I run to add life to my days!
- Sukhman Dhiman, VIII- P and Sabia Dhiman, VO**

- We participated in this event mainly to improve our fitness and also avail this opportunity of going outside -

**Gaurika Singla and**

**Geetanshi Singla, III E**

- The air still fresh and the world still moving - the two best realisations. I want to thank the birds in my balcony for being the motivation and Sports Authority of India for being so thoughtful.

**Chetanya Singla,**

**XI Science**

## NEVER THE TWAIN SHALL MEET !

### 1. Test and Exam -

The big difference between a test and an exam is that an exam is more formal than a test. In other words, a test is a short exam that a teacher gives to his or her students at the end of a lesson, whereas exam refers to a formal test that is usually held at the end of a semester or a term.

### 2. Umpire and Referee -

Not much difference is deciphered between the two terms .Both are officials who make judgements in a sport , but whereas an umpire stays in a relatively stationary position (such as in cricket) while a game is on, a referee is constantly following a moving group of players (such as in hockey and in soccer)

## SUS !!

In the past few weeks, 'Among Us' has gained such a hype that everyone's obsessed with that game now. In brief, that game requires a team of players to complete tasks and find an imposter amongst themselves, more like a modernized, yet boring, version of the 'Detective-Killer' game everyone has played while growing up

## YPS TIMES SURVEY- "I MISS SCHOOL BECAUSE..."

- I miss school because I can't meet my friends anymore and their names are just seen on the contact list. – **Anirudh Gupta, XI Science**
- I miss school because of all the fun-banter we used to have with our teachers during lectures and the corridor runs after every class with my friends. – **Arshjot Kaur Nagpal, XI Commerce**
- I miss school because of the tea break snacks with my friends! – **Viraj Jain, XI Arts**
- I miss standing with my friends in the corridors in the morning before school assembly and also being late with my friends when a new period started (and teachers getting angry at this...!) . – **Hashmat Ghuman, XI Arts**
- I am missing school because I crave the canteen delicacies and the hot tea that used to be served. – **Sarvagya Dev Thapliyal, X-N.**
- I miss school because in online teaching, there aren't as many as many joyful moments as before. The last one I heard was making fun of someone's internet cutting off at the wrong moment. – **Udayveer, X-E.**
- I miss playing in the School Stadium with my friends during tea break and eating delicious snacks at Tituji's canteen – **Navraj Singh, VIII-N**
- I miss the long walks I used to have down to the mess and back! – **Amrita Chopra, XI Arts**
- I miss school because I love sports, and, unfortunately, sports period cannot be conducted online – **Anubhav Verma, VII O**
- I miss school because of the interaction. It has always been fun to meet and greet friends and teachers. Zoom is a good option but it is nowhere as good as normal school. – **Rabbani Batra, VIII P**
- I miss school because it has been too long since I have sat in a real classroom and talked face to face with all my friends. I miss standing at Titu's stall in the tea break and chatting with my friends and I miss cheering for my House at every Inter-House match. – **Ira Mittal, VIII P**
- School life is the most important part of life and a treasure-trove of memories. Yes, it can be boring sometimes, but I miss it, especially my buddy time. – **Thea Aggarwal, VIII O**
- I miss school from getting up early in the morning to wearing school uniform, spending time with friends, teachers, eagerly waiting for recess and, at last, waiting for the leaving bell. – **Aahana Goel, VII N**

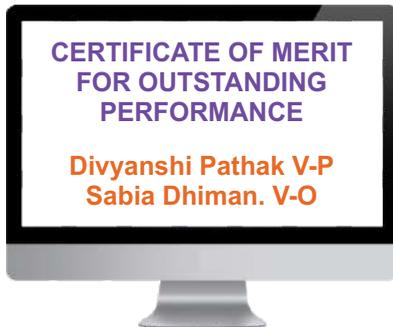
# JUNIOR SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

When you are a part of a majestic iconic institution like Yadavindra Public School, Patiala, as a teacher or as a student, you learn to face challenges, that come your way, unannounced. COVID-19 did put us in a situation where we thought,

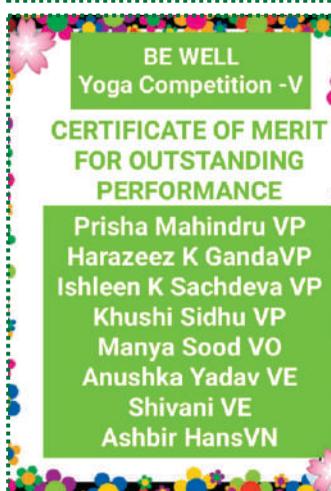
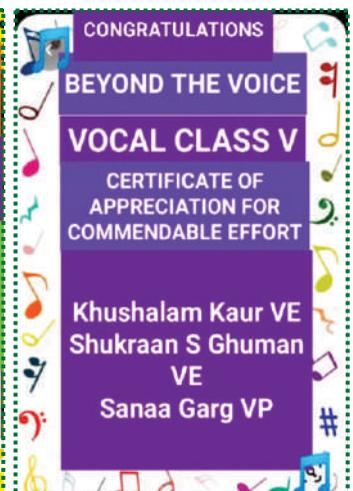
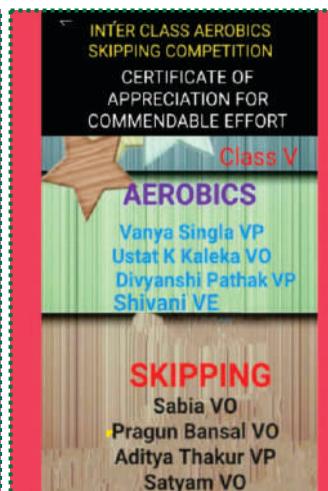
we would be unable to deliver and involve the kids as we did in face-to-face interactions. But all heads put together, enthusiasm of our children and the support of the parents helped us conduct 20 competitions in the second term from July to September and 22 of them, spread across classes I to V in the third term from October to December. Around 235 children of classes IV and V, have been a part of these competitions a minimum of 4 times and around 200 students of classes II and III have been a part of various competitions a minimum of three times, in each term. Our junior most Yadavindrians, our first graders have participated in two competitions this term. We are proud of our kids! Their involvement and participation is definitely laudable.

## Class-V

### SPEED TYPING RESULTS-CLASS-V



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**CRAZY ARTSY-V**  
 CERTIFICATE OF MERIT FOR OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE

Aisha Gupta VP  
 Grace Mandi VP  
 Hridyaansh Kapil VN  
 Ishleen K Sachdeva VP  
 Jaanya Ahluwalia VN  
 Manya Sood VO  
 Naysa Gupta VN  
 Ronan Kumar VE  
 Tejasveer S.Virk VO

**CRAZY ARTSY- V**  
 CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION FOR COMMENDABLE EFFORT

Adishwar S Chahal VE  
 Kumar Swastik Bansal VP  
 Lakshya Dhablania VN  
 Nehchal Bir S Dhillon VO  
 Piyush Garg VO  
 Pragun Bansal VO  
 Prisha Mahendru VP

**Suno Meri Kahani**  
 CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION FOR COMMENDABLE EFFORT

Yashica Jindal VE  
 Suhab Kaur VE  
 Grace Mandi VP

**Suno Meri Kahani**  
 CERTIFICATE OF MERIT FOR OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE

Divyanshi Pathak VP  
 Kriti Gajrani VN  
 Hridyaansh Kapil VN

**CERTIFICATE OF MERIT FOR OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE**

Ronan Kumar VE  
 Hridyaansh Kapil VN  
 Aisha Gupta VP  
 Ashbir Hans VN

**CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION FOR COMMENDABLE EFFORT**

Prisha Mahindru VP  
 Kriti Gajrani VN  
 Manya Sood VO  
 Sabia Dhiman VO

**Class-IV**

**CERTIFICATE OF MERIT FOR OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE**

.Kanwar Zubair Rana IVN  
 Samreet Kaur IVO  
 Samrat Singh IVE  
 Gurnoor K Thind IVP

**CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION FOR COMMENDABLE EFFORT**

Divagam Singh IVE  
 Harpartap S Sidhu IVE  
 Gursherinder Singh Chahal IVE  
 Kyna Gupta. IVE

**CRAZY ARTSY-IV**  
 CERTIFICATE OF MERIT FOR OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE

Aashna Sharma IVE  
 Amira Pratap Singh IVO  
 Arjun Jhaldiyal IVO  
 Divagam Singh IVE  
 Ekbir Singh Dardi IV O  
 Kanwar Zubair S Rana IVN  
 Manan Sharma IV N  
 Manraj S Jolly IVN  
 Mayank Singla IVE  
 Sangram S Dhillon IV P

**CRAZY ARTSY-IV**  
 CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION FOR COMMENDABLE EFFORT

Anhad Kaur IVN  
 Guransh Singh IVN  
 Guntaas Kaur IVN  
 Harmehreen K Shergill IVN  
 Ibadat Kaur IVE  
 Karanbir Singh IV N  
 Kanwarinderjit S Kohli IVN  
 Kyna Gupta IVE

**CRAZY ARTSY- IV**  
 CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION FOR COMMENDABLE EFFORT

Romil Garg IVP  
 Saisha Goel IVN  
 Samaira Arora IVP  
 Samrat S Boparai IVE  
 Samreet Kaur IVO  
 Trisha Jindal IVO  
 Yessica Garg IVE

**BEYOND THE VOICE**  
 VOCAL Class IV

**CERTIFICATE OF MERIT FOR OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE**

Divagam Singh IVE  
 Eanaayat Bhutani IVP  
 Guntaas Kaur IVN  
 Kyna Gupta IVE  
 Ojaswi Jain IV E  
 Shreya Gupta IVO

**Congratulations**

**BEYOND THE VOICE**  
 VOCAL Class IV

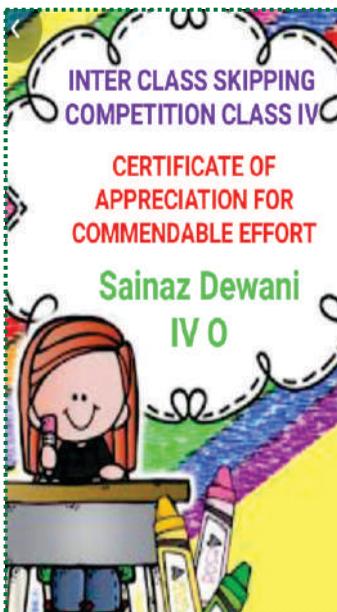
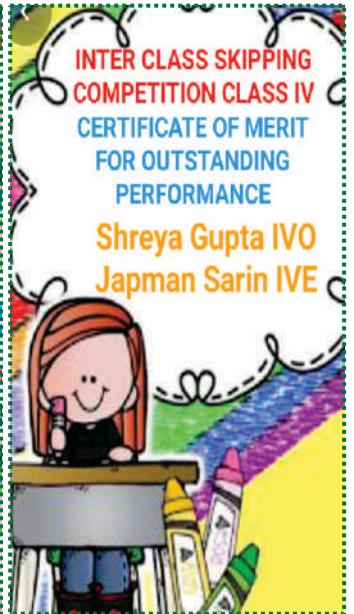
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Jannat IVN  
 Nischay S Randhawa IVO  
 Zareen K Kathuria IVN

**BEAT DROPPERS**  
 INSTRUMENTAL Class IV

**CERTIFICATE OF MERIT FOR OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE**

Pranay Bansal IVO  
 Shreya Gupta IVO  
 Vivaan Garg IVP



**SPEED TYPING**  
**RESULTS-CLASS-IV**



**SPEED TYPING**  
**RESULTS-CLASS-IV**



**Class-III**

**DANCE COMPETITION RESULTS- CLASS 3**  
**CERTIFICATE OF MERIT FOR OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE**



**Avnoor Oberoi IIIE**  
**Aanya Gupta IIIP**  
**Arjunveer Singh IIIN**  
**Shivika Puri IIIN**  
**Aravali Sharma IIIE**

**DANCE COMPETITION RESULTS- CLASS 3**  
**CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION FOR COMMENDABLE EFFORT**



**Gurkanwar Singh IIIP**  
**Dhruvi Garg IIIP**  
**Sanvi Vashisht IIIP**  
**Fatehveer Singh IIIE**  
**Ransher Singh IIIN**  
**Ansh Goel. IIIE**

**INTER CLASS HINDI RECITATION COMPETITION CLASS III**

**CERTIFICATE OF MERIT FOR OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE**  
**Dhruvi Garg IIIP**  
**Mehnoor Singh IIIN**  
**Nlisa Jain IIIO**

**CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION FOR COMMENDABLE EFFORT**  
**Aanya Gupta IIIP**  
**Saanvi Khanna IIIE**

**INTER CLASS HULA HOOP COMPETITION CLASS III**  
**CERTIFICATE OF MERIT FOR OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE**



**HULA HOOP**  
**Prisha Goyal IIIE**  
**Samairaa Mann IIIP**

**INTER CLASS HULA HOOP COMPETITION CLASS III**  
**CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION FOR COMMENDABLE EFFORT**



**HULA HOOP**  
**Gurjas Kaur IIIE**  
**Shivika Puri IIIN**

**INTER CLASS AEROBICS COMPETITION CLASS III**  
**CERTIFICATE OF MERIT FOR OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE**



**AEROBICS**  
**Avnoor Oberoi IIIE**  
**Saanvi Khanna III E**  
**Pareena Jolly IIIO**  
**Viraj S Sidhu IIIP**  
**Samaira Grewal IIIO**  
**Gurkanwar Singh**

**INTER CLASS AEROBICS COMPETITION CLASS III**  
**CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION FOR COMMENDABLE EFFORT**

**AEROBICS**  
**Dhruvi Garg IIIP**  
**Arjun S Chahal IIIO**  
**Viren Murli IIIO**  
**Harnidh Boparai IIIP**  
**Sanvi Vashisht IIIP**  
**Aravali Sharma IIIE**  
**Arjunveer Singh IIIN**  
**Abhiraj Singh IIIN**  
**Arjun Mittal IIIN**

**CHALLENGING COLOURS**  
**CERTIFICATE OF MERIT FOR OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE**

**Angad S Chahal IIIN**  
**Ayaan IIIP**  
**Dhruvi Garg IIIP**  
**Fatehveer S Dhindsa IIIE**  
**Gaurika Singla IIIE**  
**Geetanshi Singla IIIE**  
**Gurjas Kaur IIIE**  
**Gurkanwar S Kaura IIIP**  
**Kabir S Shergill IIIP**  
**Sabia Kansal IIIP**  
**Samrath S Gill IIIO**

**Class III**

**CHALLENGING COLOURS**  
**CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION FOR COMMENDABLE EFFORT**

**Adityaveer Chahal IIIE**  
**Arjun S Chahal IIIO**  
**Pareena Jolly IIIO**  
**Rijul IIIN**  
**Utkarsh Gupta IIIN**

**Class III**

**STORIES ON MY PLATE -ClassIII**  
**CERTIFICATE OF MERIT FOR OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE**

**Arjunveer Singh IIIN**  
**Nlisa Jain IIIO**  
**Samrath S.Gill - IIIO**

**STORIES ON MY PLATE Class III**  
**CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION FOR COMMENDABLE EFFORT**

**Dhruvi Garg IIIP**  
**Kyra Dahiya IIIE**  
**Mehraab S. Gill IIIE**

**CERTIFICATE OF OF APPRECIATION FOR COMMENDABLE EFFORT**

**Aravali Sharma IIIE**  
**Dhruvi Garg IIIP**  
**Samrath Gill IIIO**  
**Aadit Bahuguna IIIO**

**CERTIFICATE OF MERIT FOR OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE**  
**Gurasis Singh IIIP**  
**Gurkanwar S Kaura IIIP**  
**Nlisa Jain. IIIO**  
**Gaurika Singla IIIE**

## Class-II

INTER CLASS HULA  
HOOP COMPETITION  
CLASS II

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT  
FOR OUTSTANDING  
PERFORMANCE

### HULA HOOP

**Bhavisha Bhalla. IIN**  
**Artham Goyal IIE**  
**Jasmehar Kaur. IIO**  
**Rehmatbir Singh IIE**

INTER CLASS HULA  
HOOP COMPETITION  
CLASS II

CERTIFICATE OF  
APPRECIATION FOR  
COMMENDABLE EFFORT

### HULA HOOP

**Tavsimrat Kaur  
IIN**  
**Anraj S Natt IIP**  
**Harbin Singh. IIE**

INTER CLASS AEROBICS  
COMPETITION Class II

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT  
FOR OUTSTANDING  
PERFORMANCE

### AEROBICS

**Fatehsher Singh IIO**  
**Arshiya Chauhan IIE**  
**Mehrnaaz Kaur. IIE**  
**Sarah Jain IIN**  
**Gurnaaz Kaur IIO**  
**Samarth Sandhu. IIO**

INTER CLASS AEROBICS  
COMPETITION CLASS II

CERTIFICATE OF  
APPRECIATION FOR  
COMMENDABLE  
EFFORT

### AEROBICS

**Pareen Chahal IIE**  
**Hetanshi IIO**  
**Abhaysher Singh IIE**  
**Laghima Garg. IIN**  
**Bhavya Jindal IIP**  
**Viresh Jindal IIP**  
**Harpuneet Singh IIO**

CHALLENGING COLOURS  
Class II

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT  
FOR OUTSTANDING  
PERFORMANCE

**Adav Pal Singh IIE**  
**Devamm Puneet Gupta  
IIP**  
**Gaural Bhatia IIO**  
**Samarth S Sandhu IIO**  
**Shiveen Kaur IIN**

CHALLENGING COLOURS  
Class II

CERTIFICATE OF  
APPRECIATION FOR  
COMMENDABLE EFFORT

**Abhaysher S. Chahal  
IIE**  
**Ayaansh Goyal IIE**  
**Laghima Garg IIN**  
**Sarah Jain IIN**  
**Viresh Jindal IIP**

PIECES TO WHOLE  
Class II

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT  
FOR OUTSTANDING  
PERFORMANCE

**Ashish Jain IIN**  
**Fatehsher S Virk  
IIO**  
**Harbin S Vohra  
IIE**  
**Tavsimrat Kaur IIN**  
**Vedangi Bansal IIN**

PIECES TO WHOLE

CLASS II

CERTIFICATE OF  
APPRECIATION FOR  
COMMENDABLE EFFORT

**Aradhya IIP**  
**Bhavmeet Dhiman  
IIP**  
**Gurnaaz Kaur IIO**  
**Harpuneet S Dhiman  
IIO**  
**Unnati Garg IIO**

KAAVYANJALI  
CERTIFICATE OF MERIT  
FOR OUTSTANDING  
PERFORMANCE

**Shiveen Kaur IIN**  
**Amyra Sood. IIP**  
**Sarah Jain IIN**  
**Arshiya Chauhan IIE**



KAAVYANJALI  
CERTIFICATE OF  
APPRECIATION FOR  
COMMENDABLE EFFORT

**Hetanshi IIO**  
**Laghima Garg IIN**  
**Samrath S. Sandhu  
IIO**  
**Anraj S. Natt IIP**  
**Bhavya Kapuria. IIP**  
**Sarab Ekam Kaur IIE**

# IMPACT OF THE COVID 19 PANDEMIC ON SOCIETY AND ENVIRONMENT.

*(This essay was selected as one of the final 17 entries for the prestigious 'Nanhi Chaan' Essay Writing contest this year. The writer was lauded for her contribution and presented with a Certificate of Appreciation and a mobile phone. YPS, Patiala, students have been consistently participating and making it to the final round of this pan-India Contest in the last few years.)*

The year 2020 in the most unprecedented manner roped in the fatal COVID 19 and the rest as they say is proverbial history. One unleashed virus began swallowing the peace of mankind and laid bare the unexpected, the unforeseen and the unnatural. The beautiful human faces suddenly got concealed behind physical masks and complained of uneasiness. Not that mask wearing is anything new for us. We all camouflage our real intents behind those hypocritical symbolic masks which are fortunately not visible. Its impact fell on our society like nine pins and suddenly the dare devils and the gutsy too were confined to the four walls of their houses. Those lush green vegetables, those nourishing shiny apples, pears, musk melons suddenly transformed their nelli visages into monstrous figures challenging us with a threat of "Touch Me Not".

Even during the World Wars I and II, humans never dreaded touching the doors or gates or latches or bolts. We are virtually trapped by this demon and ironically taken prisoners of war in our own territories, resulting in such a slowdown of life that it has almost come to a halt. The dream machines which made us fly like birds, stand still in their hangers like mannequins causing enormous damage to those emotional bonds which crave a timely hug, a meeting, a wedding or an ailing parent yearning to see the son or daughter, perhaps for the last time.

The gargantuan devil exhaled and emitted such fear psychosis that social distancing emerged as the new mantra to save lives. Hardly had the society planned to wash its hands of those innumerable day to day sins, when the sanitizers invaded all those greased palms with a new vengeance. The environment, definitely, heaved a

sigh of relief devoid of that soot, smoke and those blaring horns which had been causing endless damage to its fabric. The birds came out with their melodies and with their distinct dance moves celebrated their new found freedom. The mountain ranges appeared with dignity and beauty healing the portions bitten off by the self-aggrandizement of covetous humanity. Environment would definitely say vociferously, if personified and interviewed that this COVID 19 should stay at least for 19 years for its health and blooming.

Though the economic environment got botched up altogether since a large majority couldn't go for work, rapid retrenchment from the jobs opened another can of worms resulting in depression, defection and even suicides. In a society where the energetic youth get frustrated, it is nothing short of a 'Waste Land'. We are forever fighting the image of being an impoverished nation where the beggars and the slums portray a picture of utmost penury and now this pandemic has added fuel to the fire.

And still there doesn't seem to be any ray of hope. The silver lining behind the dark clouds could appear and will appear to our optimism, but the delay might cause such behemoth losses that retrieving it could take another lifetime. Look at the desolate public places; picture the disturbing silence in restaurants, bars and food joints where the gregarious youth would infuse life reverberating these with heavenly bliss. Life seems to have stopped palpitating and when palpitation ceases, the eyes witness a virtual darkness. The corroding human vitality is buying home obesity; the sluggishness is gradually entering deeper and deeper keeping us away from physical activity. The

comfort of work from home and the comfort of sleeping at our sweet will is bound to bruise or wound our much needed hyper active lives. Action is certainly the sole reason of our existence and our 'Karmas'. Discipline is formed with regularity and at present our regularity is in watching Netflix, Hot star serials or mobile games. We have been immobile for so long for the first time in life. Just last year, these days we were enthusiastically sweeping through our choc a bloc calendars.

One school of thought does curse the infinite greed of mankind, holding humanity responsible for this jinx called COVID 19 and takes it as nemesis or retribution but again the movement can never be brought to such a grinding halt. The enormous progress which mankind made ushering an era of a rich global village where such a luminous comfort zone has been carved cannot be mutilated over a disease. We have to see a better tomorrow, a brighter tomorrow, by defeating this wretched virus. Society has to evolve paving way for a qualitative life or can we afford to surrender as a cowardly community falling prey to its brutal gnawing and horrendous tactics. Look at how we emerged out of manifold bigger scenarios of war, plagues and dispenses surmounting the insurmountable.

Let's resolve and know:-

"If night has come, there has to be the day.

Out of whirlpools, labyrinths, typhoons and rocky terrains,

We know well how to determinedly figure out our way."

The society, the environment and the human race have been definitely snubbed momentarily, but like the legendary phoenix we shall rise, rise indeed to the occasion, decoding the secrets of this seemingly invincible pernicious adversary.

*- Reyaan Athwal, XI Science*

# THE DEVIL OF DETROIT

*(The short story by Udai Pratap Singh, VIII, published in a book by Scholastic India)*

Detroit, 1976. Niall had moved into a hostel a couple of weeks ago. Immediately, he had developed a strong friendship with his roommate, Bobby Romero. Now, Niall was dead. At that time, Detroit was a slaughterhouse, not for cows but for humans. Racism, poverty, unemployment and crime were at an all time high. Detroit, which was once home of the automobile, was now an urban decay. This was the "Fall of Detroit". Niall was found dead in his bathroom. To no one's surprise, there was no investigation.

Niall was a bank teller at the National Bank of Detroit. He had very little education as he left school to follow his dreams as a fashion designer. Niall always played a big role in the anti-racism protests which were carried out in Detroit. He managed to get a job as a bank teller at the Bank of Detroit, thanks to one of his friends, who worked at the bank as a marketing representative; he also let Niall stay at his house while he was penniless. From his small yet well earned salary, Niall managed to find a hostel that he could afford. The rent was small and the place had plenty of privacy except his roommate, Bobby.

Bobby was 22 years old, just a couple of years younger than Niall. He was studying at the University of Detroit. Bobby was a quiet and sweet guy. He kept to himself and spent all night under his sheets, writing in his journal. He was tall and scrawny and rode a moped. Niall figured what he wrote was personal, so he never bothered asking. He also had a tendency of bedwetting though Niall didn't have a problem with that. One thing Niall didn't like about Bobby was his anger issues. Bobby would easily get frustrated about small things like the racket of traffic or even not being able to locate something he was looking for. You may think these are quite normal things to get frustrated over. But Bobby was different. He would start mumbling to himself and if you asked him what was troubling him, he

would go into an insane outburst about how he's struggled in life.

The day after Bobby had gotten back from one of his trips, when Niall came back from the bank, Bobby was lying on his bed, face down, crying. Bobby told him that his friend Fernando from Cleveland had been found dead in a field in Ohio. Niall decided that he'll go clean up and then try to cheer Bobby up but Niall could swear that he could see Bobby grinning from ear to ear when he left the room. When Niall came out of the bathroom, Bobby wasn't there. He was gone.

The next day, when Niall came back from work, he found Niall on the small dining table, eating a peanut butter and jelly sandwich. Niall asked Bobby about why he'd left so abruptly the day before. No answer. He asked him again. Still, no answer. Niall decided to leave him alone and went into the kitchen to make himself something to eat. He made himself a quick bologna sandwich. When he came out, he found Bobby in the same spot. He hadn't moved but he had a baseball bat and was wearing baseball gloves on. He was rolling the bat around in his palm. Niall sat down and there was total silence for a while. Then, Niall asked Bobby again. Bobby went into another one of his insane outbursts. Subsequently, Bobby swung his bat with full force right ON Niall's head. He killed him.

Bobby had no guilt. He was a serial killer. This was Bobby's 13<sup>th</sup> victim. The following night, Bobby had dinner at a restaurant in the southern suburbs of Detroit. After dinner, he took his moped to a gas station to get it refilled. There, he saw a beggar. The beggar kept asking him for money and food. Bobby ignored her. After he had refueled his moped, he drove off slowly. He was enjoying the late-night breeze. Then, he stopped his moped. Moments later, the same beggar came up to him. Bobby told her to go away. She didn't. Bobby got into a rage and

swung his clenched fist to the woman's face. She was knocked out. Bobby thought she was dead. She wasn't. The victim went to the police. While searching the area, Detective Halo Fennec found him in a gas station bathroom. When Halo opened the bathroom door, Bobby stabbed him with a pocket knife. Bobby ran into a nearby alleyway but Halo managed to call for backup from his radio. Bobby was caught and put in custody.

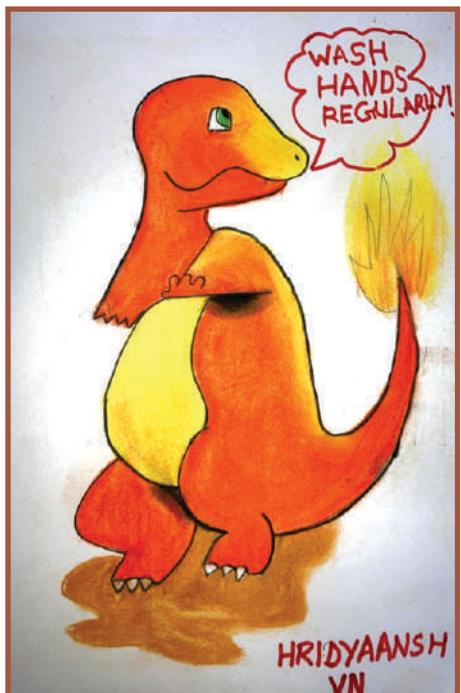
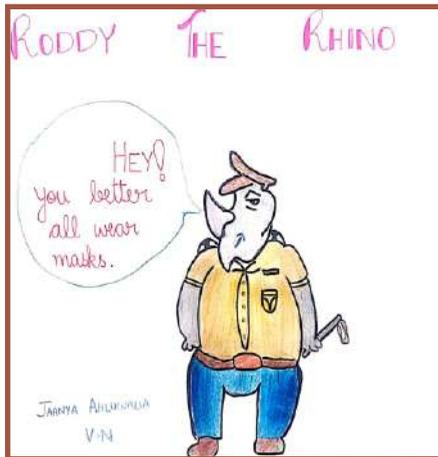
During his interrogation, Bobby confessed to every single homicide he had committed. He also told the police that he only killed people who were active participants in anti-racism protests. 11 of his 14 victims were protest leaders. Why would he do that? Maybe we'll never know. The first being of his mother on his 20<sup>th</sup> birthday. He had murdered his own mother because she failed to show up on his birthday celebration.

Police raided his camp by the Lake Erie in Cleveland and found a real life horror house. There were jars and jars filled with "souvenirs" of his murders. Bobby was sentenced to death in November of 1976. His prosecution was to be carried out in the summer of '77.

Bobby was sent to the Pitkin County Courthouse Jail. There he became good friends with a man named Peter Arden. During his time in jail, Bobby told Peter about everything he had done. All the murders he had committed. All the lives he had ruined. They together plotted to escape from the jail. They carried out their escape during the Peter's break while most of the guards were on holiday. There was no planning involved. They decided to use a hacksaw blade to saw through the vents of each of their cells. They then went into the chief jailer's apartment and after stealing some clothes from his closet, they left the building. They were now free men. Free, but highly wanted men.

Now you may ask how I know about all of this. Let me tell you a secret- I am Peter Arden.

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# RENEWAL

## THE POEM SMACKS OF OPTIMISM FOR THE TIMES LYING AHEAD

The grounds were rid of groves  
 To raise the edifices.  
 The sea of blue sky eclipsed with haze.  
 The works were a blight on the deep.  
 The biting wave of December that bore the malady,  
 Was nature's reprisal for the humans' vice.  
 Turmoil high and low, in this face of adversity.  
 On tenterhooks lie the people,  
 Tears descend in a series of cascades.  
 The rain plays the lament,  
 As dawn bleeds into dusk.  
 The inferno of demise sweeps through the world,  
 Wet there is hope from the ashes we will rise.  
 With the strength like in oak's boughs,  
 We will begin our venture.  
 With endurance like that in condor's wings,  
 We will strive.  
 Hope will be our driving force.  
 Hope to see that effulgent smile  
 On the face of a child,

Who capers in the ground with his friends,  
 Without any fear on his mind.  
 Hope to give a mother contentment  
 that her child is out of harm's way.  
 Hope to fill a father's heart with ecstasy  
 On seeing his child's gleaming eyes.  
 An end to confinement in our dwellings,  
 Overwhelming will be the crowds.  
 At the hour of dawn,  
 Sun will rise again,  
 Its warmth will heal the aching hearts.  
 The era of demise will give way  
 To the one filled with profound bliss.  
 The flame that resides within, resides within us all  
 That light will guide us through the path to renewal.  
 Where agony will cease to exist,  
 Ubiquitous will be euphoria, yet again.

*Hannah Kaur Deol, XI Science*

## THE RAVEN

*(This poem was published in the Students' edition of 'The Tribune' on October 8. The poem is a reprise of Edgar Allan Poe's, menacing, dark and sinister poem with the same title)*

It soars in the sky with a charm's delight,  
 With a bird's eye view and a sharp little sight,  
 When it moves its wings to reach places far away,  
 With the look of royalty and keeping everyone at bay.

It enjoys the world with a dignified air,  
 And a quality in possession which isn't all too rare,  
 It's intellect and cleverness is what sets it apart,  
 It can imitate humans, isn't that an art?

It has been a part of the universe for ages to begin,  
 Twice of them are messengers to Viking God Odin,  
 Well Munin and Hugin are memory and thought,  
 Talk about the smartness this creature has got.

It has once been scorned and called evil for bitter sake,  
 But 'Poe' changed it all with his unnatural take,  
 Perhaps one day did he sit on his writing desk,  
 And flew in a bird which made his mind weave and  
 eulogize something picturesque.

'Nevermore' has journeyed afar in times to seek a new haven,  
 Finally, the for long called 'It' is revealed as the Raven,  
 The Raven soars in the sky with a charm's delight,  
 With a bird's eye view and a sharp little sight!

*- Erica, XI Commerce*

## WRITE AND WRONG!

A restaurant menu reads-  
 "SENDWITCHES- Rupees 150"



## Wake Up Sleeping Beauty !

The 'Mirzapur' producers, finally, woke up from their beauty sleep and released their Season 2. The fact that everyone finished it overnight is going to be a headache as the management takes another year to come up with the next one!

## SUPER SHORT STORIES

(*'Brevity is the Soul of Wit'*, they say. We begin this new column that presents the ingenuity of students of writing short stories in their most succinct form)

### The Typo

All they could picture were the beaches of Miami. The father-son duo had planned to stay there for two weeks in celebration of the positive results of the son's board exams. However, on their way, the son had to return as he got an interview call from a college. The father decided to go as planned, while the son would meet him at the hotel the next day. On reaching Miami, the father decided to send an email to his son conveying that he was in Miami.

But while emailing it, he made a typo

in the mail address. The email was received by a person named Brian, whose father, unfortunately, had expired the previous day. As Brian read the email, he let out a piercing scream due to which his whole family rushed to enquire. They saw the mail, and it said “*Dear son, I have reached my final destination safe and sound. Hope to see you soon in my room tomorrow sharp noon. Please don't be late.*

*Love,*

*Dad”*

- Avraj Manchanda, VIIIE

## LEXICOGRAPHERS OPINE...



The singular thing about the sentence, '*The Quick Brown Fox Jumps Over the Lazy Dog*' is that it contains every alphabet of the English Language. Such a sentence is called a '**Pangram**'.

## CAN YOU SAY THIS WITH EASE ?

Six sleek swans swam swiftly southwards.



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## बहारें आयेगीं

कभी थे हम वह बहारों में,  
उस जगह की ऊँची दीवारों में,  
आज वह दृश्य कहीं न ढूँढ पाएँगे,  
जो था एक हजारों में।

जहाँ बस्ती थी यह जान,  
जहाँ मन भरते थे उड़ान,  
वहाँ की रसीली आवाजों के,  
आदि हो गए हैं यह कान।

उन लंबे रास्तों पर चलना,  
चलते-चलते दिनों का बदलना,  
कभी न देखा था पर आज देख लिया,  
उस रोशनी के सूरज का ढलना।

रंग-बिरंगे फूल, हरे-हरे बाग,  
शरारत और प्रफुल्लता के आश,  
शायद अब बुझ गई है वो हर्ष की आग।

जहाँ चमकते थे कहानियों के सितारे,  
जहाँ जान और दिल रहते थे हमारे।  
काश वह जिंदगी फिर जी सके,  
जो जीते थे अपने साथियों के सहारे।

कहाँ से कहाँ आ गए हैं हम,  
अब वहीं लौट कर जाना है,  
यही बोल बोलते हैं यह मन।

*Kiratnoor  
IX-N*

## करोना से आजादी तक का सफ़र

सुन ले करोना, जान ले करोना,  
तू मरेगा, तू मिटेगा।  
तुमने देश रोका, तुमने दुनिया रोकी,  
जहाज-विमान के साथ तुमने रेल भी रोकी।

स्कूल, कॉलेज में रुक गई पढ़ाई,  
तू क्या समझता है, तू है सर्वशक्तिमान,  
पर तू भी होगा पराजित  
तू मरेगा, तू मिटेगा

तूने संक्रमण फैलाया, हमने लॉकडाउन करके  
सेनटाईजिंग कराया, तूने मरीजों का आँकड़ा बढ़ाया,  
हमने कोरंटाईन का दायरा बढ़ाया,  
तूने मौत का तांडव मचाया,  
हमने उपचार का तरीका सुझाया।

कर लो करना है जितना अत्याचार  
हमारे डॉक्टर, नर्सस करते रहेंगे उपचार।

न रुकेंगे, न थमेंगे  
तुम्हारे मरने का करेंगे इंतज़ार

*Shrija Jain  
VI-N*

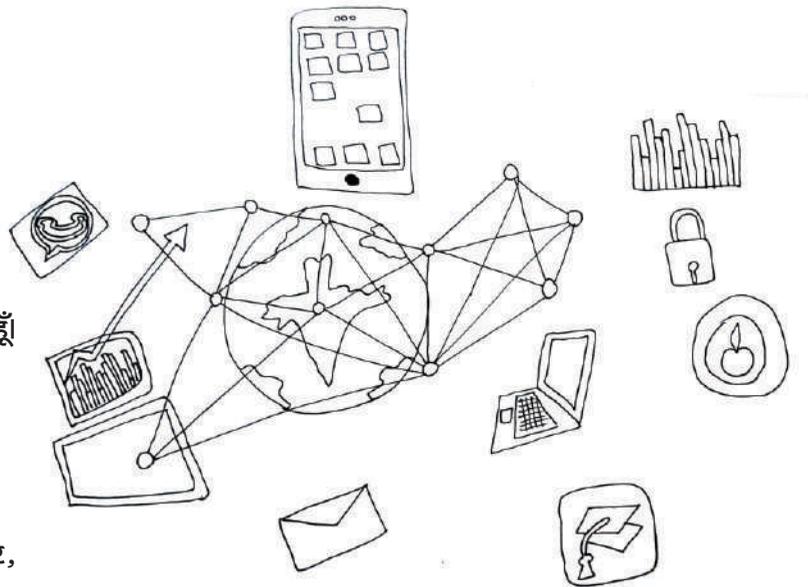
## मैं हूँ शिक्षक वाई.पी.एस स्कूल का

मैं हूँ एक शिक्षक वाई.पी.एस स्कूल का,  
आनलाइन पढ़ाई करवाता हूँ।  
भूल न जाए बच्चे सब कुछ,  
तो कई उपाय सुझाता हूँ।

बच्चों भूल न जाना अपने संकल्पों को,  
बार-बार व्हट्सैप ग्रुपों से समझाता हूँ।  
आज जूम, स्कोलैरों जैसे कई ऐप चलाता हूँ,  
कभी वीडियो बना, कभी पी.पी.टी. बना पाठ पढ़ाता हूँ।  
मैं हूँ एक शिक्षक वाई.पी.एस स्कूल का...

वापस आ जाएँ रौनक पहले जैसी,  
आनलाइन पढ़ाई में वो स्कूल नहीं।  
हार जाए कोरोना और स्कूल में आए बच्चों की बाहार,  
मैं हूँ एक शिक्षक वाई.पी.एस स्कूल का...

*Harsh Thapar  
VIII-N*



*Suhani, VIII-N*

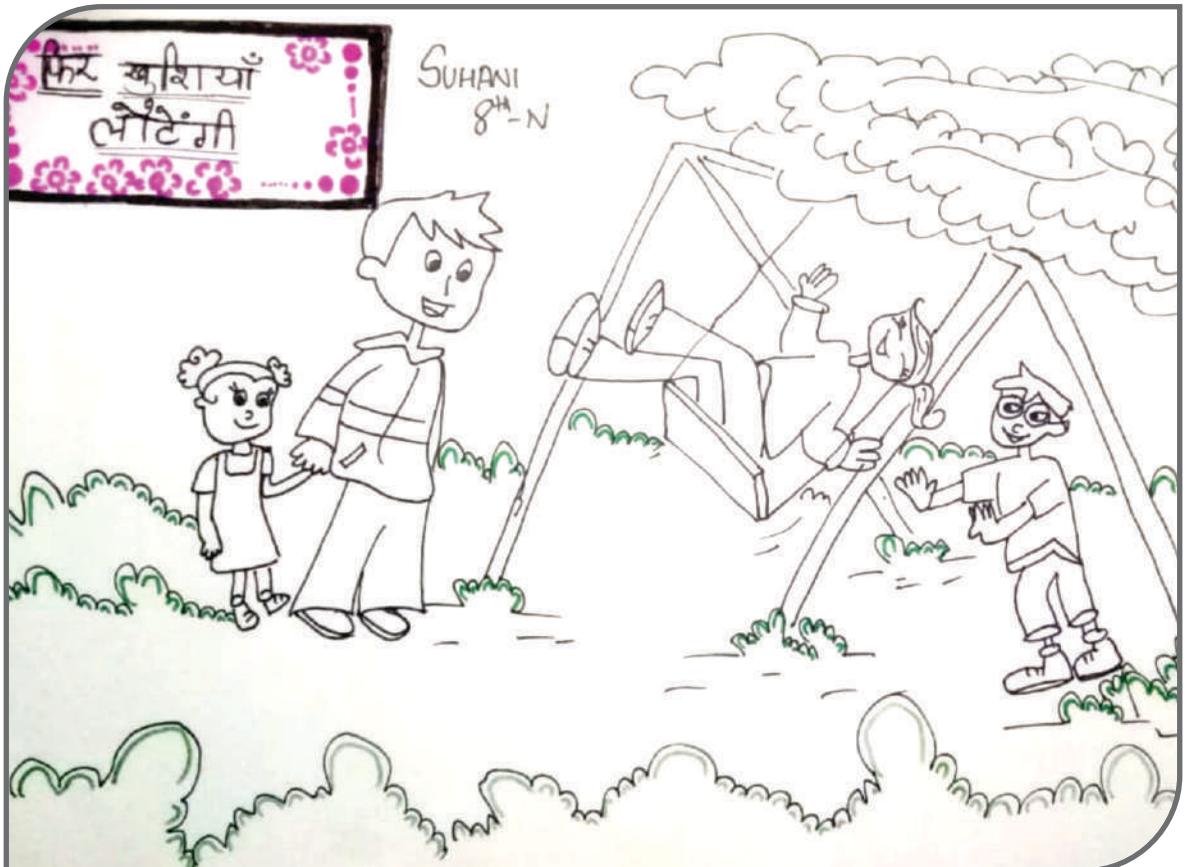
## फिर खुशियाँ लौटेंगी

वो सुबह उठकर स्कूल जाना,  
वो घर आते ही खेलने चले जाना,  
वो दोस्तों के साथ घूमना,  
वो त्योहारों में झूमना,  
पर सब रखो दोस्तों,  
फिर खुशियाँ लौटेंगी।

वो गर्मियों की छुट्टियों में घूमने जाना,  
वो बारिश में दोस्तों के साथ भीगना,  
वो सर्दियों में सबके साथ आग के सेकने,  
वो स्कूल के आखरी दिन में दोस्तों को अलविदा  
कहना,  
पर सब रखो दोस्तो,  
फिर खुशियाँ लौटेंगी।

अब ऑनलाइन क्लास के सामने बैठना,  
घर के अंदर बंद रहना,  
न कहीं घूमने जाना,  
लोगों की मौत के बारे में सुनना,  
पर सब रखो दोस्तों,  
फिर खुशियाँ लौटेंगी।

*Pakhi Gangotra  
VI-N*



*Suhani, VIII-N*