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The Monthly Newsletter

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The month of August holds a special place in our hearts. It is the time that reminds us of the invaluable contributions of our forefathers in liberating our country. Notably, the word 'august' is also used as an adjective to convey feelings of reverence or admiration. In this edition, let us explore the significant happenings at MCKV that made August not only special but also true to its name.

Our school commemorated India's 77th Independence Day on 15 August 2023, paying homage to the sacrifices of the freedom fighters with cultural performances and rhythmic melodies. Upholding our belief in experiential learning beyond conventional norms, our school organised the fourth edition of MCKV MUN, where students engaged in intellectual discourse on global affairs and international politics. Additionally, Prayas, our student-led business enterprise project, hosted an appetising food fest last month.

In recognition of our dedication, MCKV received certificates in the prestigious Telegraph School Awards for Excellence 2023 in multiple categories. Four of our outstanding students also received individual awards for their talent and sincerity.

In a nutshell, August at MCKV has been a month of reflection, celebration, and recognition. It

embodies the indomitable spirit of our school. We also look forward to the upcoming months with excitement, knowing that the MCKV community will continue to thrive, inspire, and make us proud.

Happy reading!

Summary of school events

M. C. Kejriwal Vidyapeeth celebrates
77th Independence Day

MCKV celebrated the 77th Independence Day with great enthusiasm. The day of 15 August 2023 began with the ceremonial hoisting of the national flag on the basketball ground by Chief Guest, Dr Ushnik Sen, Surveillance Medical Officer of the World Health Organisation-NPSP, followed by the national anthem. The cultural programme that followed in the school auditorium was a mesmerising medley of patriotic songs, instrumental renditions, and choreographic depictions of the lives of our freedom fighters. Prizes were awarded to winners of Inter-House Competitions. Dr Ushnik

Sen captivated the audience with a compelling message on the importance of freedom and positivity. Meanwhile, our Chairman, Mr Kishan Kumar Kejriwal, urged students to shape India's future through a foundation of knowledge and values. The speech delivered by the School Captain, Uday Bansal, highlighted the role of youth in shaping the country's future. The celebration ended with a vote of thanks proposed by the School Vice-Captain, Lakshaya Sharma.

Week-Long 77th Independence Day festivities at MCKV



A week-long celebration was organised at our school from 10 to 16 August 2023, to commemorate India's 77th Independence Day. Students across different levels engaged in activities showcasing national pride and heritage. The activities included decorating classrooms with tri-colour, craft-making, bringing tri-coloured food items as tiffin, conducting quizzes, dressing up as historical figures, face painting, and a poster-making competition. The celebrations wrapped up on the morning of 16 August 2023, with students dressed in white ethnic attire and tri-coloured *dupattas*, creating a distinct ambience. A lively flash mob featuring synchronised dance moves to well-known patriotic tunes was performed in the atrium during the break to enhance the festive spirit. That very day, our little stars of the Foundational Stage delivered a cultural programme that featured patriotic songs, energetic dances, and recitations. The week-long celebration aimed to foster patriotism in our students and inspire them to envision a better future for India.

On Saturday, 19 August 2023, at the South City International School auditorium, M. C. Kejriwal Vidyapeeth received the following certificates in the prestigious The Telegraph School Awards for Excellence 2023:

- * Certificate of Excellence in Maintenance and Eco-Friendly Initiatives
- * Certificate of Honour for Social Service
- * Certificate of Honour for Excellence in Extra-Curricular Activities



Individual Awards achieved by MCKVians:

- * Hardik Agarwal of 6D - Courage Certificate
- * Sidharth Kumar Dugar (Commerce, ISC Batch 2023) - Certificate of Honour for Academic Excellence by a Student
- * Hitesh Bhuwarka (Cuber) of 12B - Certificate of Merit for Outstanding Talent in Sports
- * Aayush Banerjee of 6D - Certificate of Honour for Outstanding Talent in Music
- * Niraj Agarwal & Priyanka Agarwal (Parents of Hardik Agarwal of 6D) - Thank You Baba-Ma Award

MCKV wins the Pariwar Milan Inter-School Hindi Patriotic Singing Competition 2023



Our school clinched the top spot at the Annual Inter-School Hindi Patriotic Singing Competition 2023, hosted by *Pariwar Milan* at Gyan Manch in Kolkata. The winning members include Arush Hudut, Aayush Banerjee and Hridayam Sain of 6D, Imon Dey of 10A, and Apratim Roy and Ayan Mahata of 10C. Special mention goes to Aniruddha Kumar Singh of 7B for his role as the emcee, and Agnibha Ghosh of 11C for providing percussion accompaniment to the singers. Congratulations to Team MCKV for the outstanding performance and well-deserved victory!

MCKV wins a prestigious quiz contest on Glorious India

Our boys secured the second position in the finals of KWIZDOM 2023, a quiz contest for school students across Bengal, organised by Taaza TV in association with GRSE (Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers), under the Ministry of Defence, Government of India. The event was organised as part of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav. After a competitive preliminary round at the campus on 24 July 2023, MCKV's team, consisting of Shanuj Ruia of 8A, Chirag Tulsian of 9A and Kushagra Pandey of 10A, bagged the second prize in the nail-biting finale, defeating around 100 other participating schools at Dhono Dhanyo Auditorium in Kolkata. Our students were awarded a cheque of thirty thousand rupees.

Congratulations Team MCKV!





A bakery workshop took place for the students of Class 7 on 9 and 10 August 2023. It was conducted as part of the Bagless Day activity for Classes 6 to 8 in line with NEP 2020 recommendations. The atrium was filled with the delicious smell of dark chocolate and vanilla. Students relished making chocolate waffles and choco chip cakes under the guidance of experienced confectioner, Ms Shampa Mukherjee. The workshop provided our students with a hands-on baking experience and helped them explore various methods to create baked goods. To top it all, they got to enjoy the tasty results of their efforts and savour the cakes and chocolates they prepared.

MCKV hosts its 4th Annual MUN Conference

The MUN Club of M. C. Kejriwal Vidyapeeth held its 4th Annual Model United Nations Conference on 5 and 6 August 2023, with the intent of empowering our students to become visionary change-makers. The event marked a significant milestone with the inclusion of multi-committee sessions covering the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA), the All India Political Parties Meet (AIPPM), and the International Press Conference (IPC). The event spanned two days, covering diverse topics starting from the impact of globalisation on India's economy to global nuclear disarmament and media biases.

Sreejit Dey of 12A, Nishant Sharma of 12C and Utkarsh Raj of 11A, expertly moderated the entire discussion as Chairpersons of UNGA, AIPPM and IPC respectively. The opening ceremony included an inspiring speech from the Headmaster, Mr Biswajit Majumdar. Our Principal, Ms Mallika Mukherjee, formally presented the gavel to the United Nations Secretary-General, Lakshaya Sharma of 11A.

Nearly 100 delegates participated in the conference, showcasing detailed research and active engagement in debates. The event concluded with the distribution of certificates to the Best Delegates.



MCKV Chefs: Bagless Day activity for Class 8



On 8 August 2023, as part of ongoing Bagless Day activities, the Indian Institute of Hotel Management (IIHM) in Kolkata conducted a non-fire culinary workshop for the students of Class 8. Professional chefs guided our boys through the art of chopping, mixing, and whisking various ingredients, resulting in delectable creations such as sandwiches, dips, and cracker toppings. Our students relished the opportunity to don the chef's hat, making this Bagless Day activity a memorable and enriching experience.

Business Bites: Food Fest by the MCKV business enterprise team



On 23 August 2023, *Prayas*, the student-led business enterprise team of our school, organised a fun-filled food fiesta for the students of Classes 5 and 6 as a fundraiser for their upcoming projects. Students involved in *Prayas* spearheaded the entire event, from conceptualising to executing. The team members assumed diverse responsibilities. While some were involved in the groundwork, a few took charge as chefs, and others were involved in financial management and sales. With experiential learning taking centre stage in today's education, organising this food fest was a remarkable simulation of entrepreneurship. The event helped our boys explore their skills in management, collaboration, financial accountability, and even customer interaction.

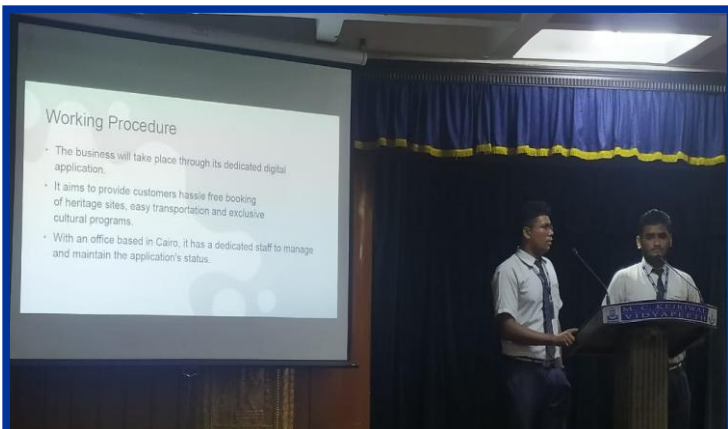
Rain Fun: Monsoon party for Pre-Nursery, Nursery and Kindergarten Kids

On 4 August 2023, our school hosted a delightful monsoon party for Pre-Nursery, Nursery, and Kindergarten students. The event featured an exuberant rain dance during which children, dressed in colourful attire and equipped with raincoats and umbrellas, danced to rain-themed rhymes and songs. The school resonated with the pure laughter of our little champions.

After the rain dance, the children were treated to delicious hot soup. They were also made aware of the safety precautions to be taken during the monsoon season. The event was an enjoyable and enriching experience for our little MCKVians.



Build Up: An entrepreneurship challenge by the Commerce Department of MCKV



On 1 August 2023, the Department of Commerce organised an entrepreneurship challenge titled, *Build Up*, for the students of Class 12. The event aimed to provide and promote an immersive learning experience beyond the traditional classroom setting and nurture the spark of creativity and entrepreneurship in our students.

The challenge showcased remarkable presentations by nine teams of three students each. Every team was tasked with combining specific countries and sectors, such as fashion and France, food and India, renewable energy and Sweden, tourism and Australia, and electronics and Japan. The teams impressed the judges with their well-researched business proposals, demonstrating the ability to think creatively.

The activity was a memorable experience that empowered our boys to embrace the global dimension of commerce, paving the way for future leaders in entrepreneurship.

Visit to East Kolkata Wetlands by MCKVians



The Department of Geography, in collaboration with the *Switch On Foundation*, organised a field trip for the students of Class 8 to the East Kolkata Wetlands on 17 and 18 August 2023.

During the trip, students were introduced to various efforts being undertaken in and around Kolkata for wetland conservation. They had the opportunity to visit agricultural lands and aquaculture ponds. Students were made aware of how the wetlands benefit Kolkata and were also briefed about the threats they face due to urbanisation, changes in the quality and quantity of solid waste, sewage, and, most importantly, human neglect. This experiential trip concluded with a fun quiz to assess the knowledge acquired by them during the excursion.

MCKV celebrates Friendship Day



MCKVians celebrated Friendship Day on 1 August 2023, with various activities in the Preparatory wing. Children of Class 3 exchanged 'compliment flowers' with each other, while Class 4 students prepared lip-smacking treats for their best friends. Pupils of Class 5 dedicated their original compositions to their best buddies. Students across grades shared bands and promises of lasting friendship. These activities not only emphasised the value of friendship but also imparted essential life skills, such as teamwork, empathy, solidarity, and problem-solving to young learners.

Journey to Wellness: This month's sessions



Screen Time: The struggle to find the right balance – An interactive session with the parents of Class 4



Managing Emotions: An interactive session with the students of Class 6



Exploring the Power of Dance: A session on dance movement therapy for the parents of Class 5

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Interact Club Projects



Interact Club's Eco Warriors: MCKVians unite against plastic pollution



Spreading Smiles: Interact Club gifted school bags to ancillary staff's children

Departmental Activity



MCKV Bank: A transformative mock bank event was organised by the Department of Commerce to help the students of Class 8 delve deep into the realities of banking, gaining a comprehensive understanding of the industry.

More Bagless Day Highlights



Workshop on Cyber Security



A Session on Financial Literacy

Interact Club Projects



A Session on 'Effect of Air Pollution on Health'



Quiz Competition after the students returned from their visit to the East Kolkata Wetlands

Rakhi Celebration at MCKV



MCKVians of Class 4 visited Agrasain Balika Shiksha Sadan to celebrate *Raksha Bandhan*



Interactors of Class 11 celebrated *Rakhi* with the underprivileged children at Mahajiban



In August, students of Classes 9 and 11 had an exciting opportunity to visit the 3D printing lab at MCKV Institute of Engineering. The visit aimed to familiarise our boys with the latest developments in 3D printing technology and its diverse applications. The lab featured advanced 3D printers, scanners, and modelling software. The functionality of each of these lab components was thoroughly explained by expert professors. They also introduced our boys to a wide range of uses of 3D printing in fields like medicine, engineering, architecture, and art. Students found the sessions both informative and inspiring.

Riddle: What am I?

Solve the following riddles using the hints provided.

1. You measure my life in hours and I serve you by expiring. I am quick when I am thin and slow when I am fat. The wind is my enemy. What Am I? _____
2. I am full of holes but I can still hold water. What am I? _____
3. If you don't keep me, I'll break. What am I? _____

The solution will be published in the next edition.

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Solution to the previous puzzle, Tech Terms and Concepts



Karate Kid

Our little MCKVian, Aarav Mukherjee of 2B, received the gold medal in the Kata segment of the 7th International Karate Championship, held on 30 July 2023, at Netaji Indoor Stadium. Heartfelt congratulations to Aarav on this remarkable accomplishment!

New Staff Members of MCKV



Ms Soumi Banerjee
M.A, M.Ed
Special Educator



Ms Puja Pandey
M.Com, B.Ed
Commerce
Department



Ms Soumita Kundu
B.Com, Montessori
Trained,
Primary Department




Mr Sanjoy Das
M.A, B.PEd.
Sports Department



Mr Satyaki Mukherjee
M.Sc, B.Ed
Chemistry Department

Inter-House Competitions: The Achievers August 2023

 POSITION	Book Reading Competition	Singing Competition		One Minute To Fame Competition	
	Classes 3 and 4	Group-A Classes 1 and 2	Group-B Classes 3 and 4	Group-A Classes 5 & 6	Group-B Classes 7 & 8
FIRST	Ritwik Agarwal, (6676), 4B	Arnish Dasgupta, (6936), 2A	Sourik Ghosh, (7072), 3A	Atri Nandi, (5918), 5A	Kanishk Kumar Dokania, (5313), 8A
SECOND	Rajveer Pandey, (7033), 3A	Soureen Manna, (7453), 2B	Oishik Basu, (7161), 4D	Shaswat Kumar, (6365), 5B	Jai Kumar Baid, (4911), 8D
THIRD	Hrid Banerjee, (6617), 4A	Angaraj Banerjee, (7484), 1A	Tamoghna Santra, (7563), 3A	Purbanho Sarkar, (5618), 6B	Rajveer Choubey, (5655), 7B

Corrigendum

In the July 2023 edition of *Buzz*, in the report titled 'Diving to Victory,' there was an inadvertent error where 8E's Abhirup Sarkar's name was incorrectly printed as Debjit Sarkar. We sincerely apologise for this mistake.

