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#### EDITORIAL BOARD



Mohit Roy, 11A **Assistant Student Editor** 

It has been 73 years since Jawaharlal Nehru delivered his famous 'Tryst with Destiny' speech from the floor of the Parliament on 15 August, 1947. It's a day to honour the renunciations of those people who dreamt of the nation that we are today. Thousands of them attained martyrdom so that the coming eras could live a life of righteousness. It is of utmost importance and prestige that we remember their sacrifices and do them justice. Yes, there is much that is not free and fair in Independent India. But is that the point? Representing the youth of today, my goal and our goal, is to remove the blight of the lives, to refashion and reimagine the future. For a country to develop, every citizen must play a role, these roles are decided by us. What significance we will be having in the progress of the country is but our choice. For the significance to be greater, we must work for the best interests of the country. In this dire situation, when existence is of foremost importance, all we can do is hope for the best until normalcy returns to our lives. Let's not forget that even in these challenging times the celebration of our independence must continue for "Happiness can be found even in the darkest of times if one knows how to turn on the light".

## INDEPENDENCE DAY "May we think of freedom **CELEBRATION**

not as the right to do as we please but as the

opportunity to do what is right", this quote by Peter Marshall encapsulates the emotion of the present year, as it is the year which is demanding from its citizens an immense amount of selfless social work. With this thought in our prayer and intention, M.C Kejriwal Vidyapeeth celebrated the **74th Independence Day.** This memorable day was celebrated virtually adhering to the 'new normal' situation. The day echoed the unforgettable contribution of our martyred soldiers and freedom fighters without whom we would have never seen this day. The programme commenced with the unfurling of the tricolour by our Honourable Chairman Mr. Kishan Kumar Kejriwal along with our respected Headmistress, Mrs. Mallika Mukherjee in the school basketball ground which was followed by the National Anthem. The hoisting of the flag was broadcast for all through the virtual medium.

The programme continued virtually, beginning with an

inspirational speech by Ankit Mondal, the School Captain. Students of Classes 5 and 6 recited Rabindranath Tagore's poem 'Hey Mor Chittey, Purno **Tirthey'** which evoked in everyone a sense of pride for the nation. The Investiture Ceremony took place, whereby, all the newly elected members of the student council took a pledge to be conscientious about their duty towards their Alma Mater. On this day, the school also acknowledged the winners of various inter-house competitions through a PowerPoint presentation. A melodious instrumental rendition of the song 'Dhono Dhanney Puspey Bhara' and a patriotic number by Sagar Bose of Class 11 reminded everybody the beauty of our motherland. The encouraging speech by our revered Chairman to work tenaciously each and everyday for oneself and for our country inspired everyone. The day's programme came to an end with a vote of thanks proposed by Md. Shahid Dayer, the School Vice-Captain.









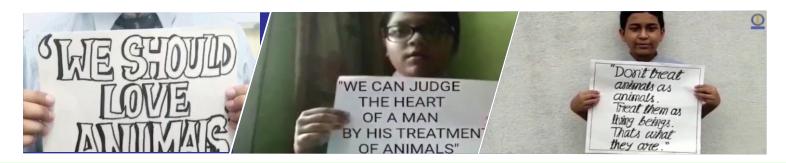


SAVE ANIMAL,

Animals are sentient beings who deserve our respect and protection. Unfortunately, SAVE WILDLIFE cruelty towards animals continues to occur all over the world. Taking this into consideration, the Interact Club of M.C.K.V organised an awareness programme on 7th August, 2020 on the topic "Save Animal, Save Wildlife".

A short video was made and shared with all the students from Classes 1 to 12. The video highlighted the necessity to educate people about the issue and also to make them understand that they can intervene in situations where animals are neglected or even tormented.

This initiative of the MCKV Interact Club was highly complimented by the students and their parents. Overall, it was an enriching experience for all the viewers.



#### JASHN-E-AZAADI

To commemorate the 74<sup>th</sup> Independence Day, the Rotary Club of Purulia organised an online recitation competition titled 'Jashn-e-Azaadi'. The Interact

Club of M.C. Kejriwal Vidyapeeth was invited to participate in the aforesaid competition. The participants had to send a video on a patriotic composition writing, poem, paragraph or a dialogue and share it through WhatsApp.

Several students of MCKV participated in the competition. Some of them emerged with flying colours. In the Group 1 category, which comprised Classes 1 to 4, Souhardya Paul of Class 3D secured the second position in Bengali patriotic poem recitation and was awarded a Timex smart watch. In the Group 2 category, which comprised Classes 5 to 8, ChiragTulsian of Class 6A was declared the 1st prize winner in Hindi composition writing. He was awarded a Lenovo tablet. Anurup Ganguly of Class 5D was gifted a blue tooth headset for his excellent performance in reciting a Bengali patriotic poem.



#### **AZAADI**

On the occasion of the 74<sup>th</sup> Independence Day, the Rotaract Club of MCKV Institute of Engineering organised a plethora of competitions bearing the name AZAADI from 9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> August, 2020. The students of M.C. Kejriwal Vidyapeeth participated in a few

categories and emerged winners. Yuvraj Agarwal of 7B secured the first position in Face Painting Competition. Krish Gupta of 11C secured the first position in Singing Competition whereas Ayussh Agarwal of 11B bagged the first position in the Speech Competition. A certificate of special mention was given to Swarnava Roy Chowdhary of 8D and a certificate of participation was awarded to Aditya Shaw of 9Bin the same category. Akshatt Jaiswal of 6B bagged the first position in Recitation Competition and certificate of participation was awarded to Varun Agarwal of 8C, Abhinav Murarka of 7D, Bhavya Dhanuka of 11B, Kavish Kothari of 7B, Kanishk Banka of 11C and Harshit Sarawagi of 11B in the same category.







### MULTIFARIOUS FEATS OF INTERACT CLUB

#### 14<sup>th</sup> INSTALLATION CEREMONY

The Interact Club of M.C. Kejriwal Vidyapeeth organised its 14th Installation Ceremony on 13<sup>th</sup> August, 2020 on a virtual platform. The day's proceedings started with the Interact Club President for 2019-2020, Interactor Madhav Nand Garg calling the meeting to order. The occasion was graced by Rotarian Ms.Sulagna Daw, District Interact Committee Chairperson, Rotarian Mr. Rajani Mukerji, Past District Governor, Rotarian Mr. Aloke Kumar Kanodia, President Rotary Club of Belur and Mr. Kishan Kumar Kejriwal, past President of Rotary Club of Belur and Chairman of M.C. Kejriwal Vidyapeeth. The guests were duly welcomed by a dance presentation by the Interact Club boys. This was followed by the unveiling of the Annual Interact Club

news bulletin "The Awakening" and a presentation of the projects done throughout the academic year 2019-2020.

The collar pin was then handed over by the President of Interact Club, 2019 -2020, Madhav Nand Garg to President Elect for 2020-2021, Interactor Pratik Jhunjhunwala. The Charter was conferred to the President Elect by our revered Chairman and Rotarian Mr.Kishan Kumar Kejriwal. Pratik Jhunjhunwala digitally presented his projects and programmes for the year 2020-2021 before the august gathering.

The guests present shared their views with the Interactors and the audience to boost the spirit and morale of the youth, explaining the importance of collective responsibility in social service. The day's proceedings came to an end with the rendition of a mellifluous song by the Interact Club boys and the closure of the meeting by the newly elected President of the session 2020-2021.



## INTERNATIONAL YOUTH DAY

On the occasion of International Youth

Day celebrated every year on 12<sup>th</sup> August, the Social Service Group of M.C. Kejriwal Vidyapeeth organised a unique competition for the students of Class 7. The competition involved students to write a paragraph on "My Favourite Youth Icon" and to paste a picture of that person. Participants clicked a photograph of the same and sent it to their respective class teachers to adjudge their efforts. This project was undertaken to teach the students to emulate the virtues and qualities of their favourite Youth Icon and inculcate them in their own life so that they become a beacon of light for others to follow.

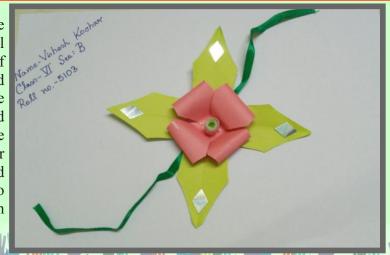




### INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP DAY

To commemorate the occasion of International

Friendship Day on 30<sup>th</sup> July, the Social Service Group of M.C. Kejriwal Vidyapeeth organised a Friendship Band Making Competition for the students of Class 6. The students made beautiful friendship bands with the limited resources available at home. They clicked a photo of the band and sent it to their respective class teachers for their efforts to be adjudged. This competition not only helped the students to showcase their creativity but also appreciate the important role that their friends play in their lives.



## **RAKSHABANDHAN AND EID – UL – ZUHA**

The morning assembly of 4th August, 2020 began at MCKV with the celebration of two auspicious occasions, Raksha Bandhan and Eid – Ul – Zuha. The traditional way of

celebrating these pious occasions could not be followed this year but that did not diminish the enthusiasm of our students. The assembly, which was held on a virtual platform, was conducted by Krish Jaiswal of 9 B. Aniruddha Kumar Singh of 4A confidently recited the morning prayer and the Shloka was recited by Abhinava Bhaumick of 4D. Abhinava Bhaumik's speech on Raksha Bandhan was followed by Nayan Saraf's speech on Eid-Ul-Zuha which enlightened everyone on the significance of these festivals. The joint celebration of both these auspicious festivals brought out the essence of fraternity, equality and co-existence.

#### **JANMASTAMI**

On the occasion of Janmastami, the students of MCKV organised a special assembly on 13th August, 2020. The assembly was conducted by Aditya Singhal of Class 9B. The daily Morning Prayer was read by Sagar Banerjee of Class 5A and the shloka was chanted by Rishon Chatterjee. This was followed by a mesmerising voice-over video of sketches drawn by Roshan Oraon of Class 10B depicting some scenes of the birth of Lord Krishna. The voice-over for the video was given by Om Mohata of Class



The audience for the day were students of Classes 5-7 who got a few glimpses of various episodes of Lord Krishna's life and enjoyed the programme thoroughly.

# ARTWORK FOR

10A.

On the occasion of the 74<sup>th</sup> Independence Day, Smile Foundation, Child for Child team **HEARTWORK** organised a campaign for the unsung heroes who have brought joy to our lives in these challenging times of COVID 19. The Artwork for Heartwork initiative seeks to celebrate and thank those heroes who have truly been selfless warriors, giving everything to uphold their responsibilities. Our students of Classes 7, 8, 10 and 12 participated in the campaign and submitted their artwork in support of this noble initiative.















#### VANTAGE

#### INTER-SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

On 1st August, 2020, students of Classes 10 and 12 participated in the Vantage Interschool Photography Competition organised by Lensified, the official Photography Club of Netaji Subhash Engineering College. The theme of 'Photography on mobile camera' category was Best clicks taken during the **lockdown period.** The photographs submitted by our students were highly appreciated and liked by one and all.



















BOOK READING COMPETITION





POSITION	HOUSE	NAME OF THE STUDENT	CLASS & SEC	ROLL NO.
FIRST	BLUE	ABHRANIL SAHA	3B	5911
SECOND	RLUE	HARSH KALPESH KAKKAD	<b>4</b> D	5576
THIRD	GREEN	AYUSH BANER.IEE	3B	5874

# RECITATION COMPETITION

POSITION	NAME OF THE STUDENT	CLASS & SEC	ROLL NO.
FIRST	SAMAJAS MUKHERJEE	KG A	7045
SECOND	PRATHAM PANDYA	KG A	6656
THIRD	ARCHISMAN MUKHERJEE	KG A	6924
FIRST	ARJAV BOSE	KG B	6931
SECOND	IRESH MONDAL	KG B	7555
THIRD	SUSNATA GHOSH	KG B	7073
FIRST	SAMRIDH DUBEY	KG C	6694
SECOND	SANCHIT GOYAL	KG C	6695
THIRD	ANKUR KONAR	KG C	6570
FIRST	SHAURYA VYAS	KG D	6706
SECOND	RITOJIT DAS	KG D	6664
THIRD	KAUNISH PRAMANIK	KG D	6626

# SPEECH COMPETITION

GROUP A: CLASS 5 & 6

POSITION	HOUSE	NAME OF THE STUDENT	CLASS & SECTION	ROLL	
FIRST	DELTA	RAJDEEP BANERJEE	6C	5052	
SECOND	BETA	AYUSHMAN BANERJEE	5D	5343	
THIRD	ALPHA	BIPLAB MOHANTY	6C	5039	

GROUP B: CLASS 7 & 8

POSITION	HOUSE	NAME OF THE STUDENT	CLASS & SECTION	ROLL
FIRST	ALPHA	HARSH MODI	7B	4343
SECOND	BETA	SOUTRA RAY	7B	5493
THIRD	ALPHA	LAKSHYA TRIPATHI	8B	4450

# VOCABULARY QUIZ COMPETITION

GROUP A: CLASSES 9 & 10				
POSITION	HOUSE	NAME OF THE STUDENT	CLASS & SECTION	ROLL NUMBER
FIRST	ВЕТА	TANAY AGARWAL	9A	3788
		AISHIK DEY	10C	3518
	DELTA	UPAYAN GUPTA	9C	4085
SECOND	DELTA	TANISHO SHARMA	10C	3480
THIRD	ТНЕТА	SOUMIT HALDER	9B	4081
		VANSH MEHTA	10B	3896
	ALPHA	AKASH AGARWAL	9C	4168
		RITORMI GHOSH	10A	3874





# INTER HOUSE COMPETITIONS, THE ACHIEVERS

GROUP B: CLASSES 11 & 12				
POSITION	HOUSE	NAME OF THE STUDENT	CLASS & SECTION	ROLL NUMBER
FIRST	ALPHA	DEBJYOTI RAY	11A	3646
		ANKIT MONDAL	12A	3316
SECOND	DELTA	SACHIN KUMAR ARYA	11A	3643
		SAHIL DROLIA	12B	3706
THIRD	THETA	ARMAN MAHATO	11C	7532
		CHANDRA BHUSHAN RAY	12C	3364

# DEBATE COMPETITION

GROUP A: CLASSES 9 & 10					
POSITION	HOUSE	NAME OF THE STUDENT	CLASS & SECTION	ROLL NUMBER	
FIRST	THETA	ARITRA ROY CHOWDHURY	10C	3826	
SECOND	BETA	OM MOHATA	10A	3546	
THIRD	BETA	ADITYA SINGAL	9B	4189	
<b>GROUP B: CLA</b>	GROUP B: CLASSES 11 & 12				
POSITION	HOUSE	NAME OF THE STUDENT	CLASS & SECTION	ROLL NUMBER	
FIRST	BETA	HARSH AMBASTHA	11A	3569	
SECOND	THETA	YUVRAJ SURANA	12C	2962	
THIRD	ALPHA	ANKIT MONDAL	12A	3316	

# ENGLISH RECITATION COMPETITION

POSITION	NAME OF THE STUDENT	CLASS & SEC	ROLL NO.
FIRST	LUVY <mark>A JAISW</mark> AL	NURSERY -A	7326
SECOND	AHWANITH PAUL	NURSERY -A	7486
THIRD	ADRISH KANTA	NURSERY -A	7312
FIRST	AVIKSHIT SARKAR	NURSERY -B	7343
SECOND	JAINIL THAKKAR	NURSERY -B	7371
THIRD	LAVIK GUPTA	NURSERY -B	7009
FIRST	JAINIK BAID	NURSERY -C	6980
SECOND	KOUNISH MAZUMDAR	NURSERY -C	7380
THIRD	LAKSH GUPTA	NURSERY -C	7396
FIRST	MOHAK PAL	NURSERY -D	7390
SECOND	ARNISH DASGUPTA	NURSERY -D	6936
THIRD	VIRAT SINGH	NURSERY -D	7090

# **DEPARTMENTAL ACTIVITIES**

"Creativity doesn't wait for that perfect moment.

It fashions its own perfect moments out of ordinary ones."

- Bruce Garrabrandt.





## KINDERGARTEN DEPARTMENT









PRIMARY DEPARTMENT





### **ASPIRING AUGUST**



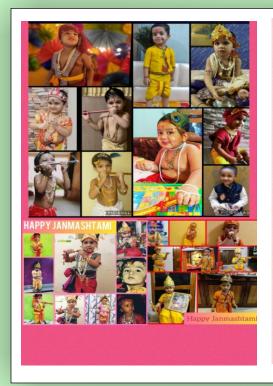






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I go for trekking when I try to escape all that life had thrown my way. A time comes when being on the verge of getting lost in my daily chores, I decide to pack my bag and leave, only to return back home with optimism, joy and renewed energy to bounce back on

life.Being perched in the cradle of green meadows, amidst the low-lying clouds on the pine groves, wildflowers, enjoying whispers and tinkling bell-sounds around my tent made by the surrounding ponies, gushing sounds of the cascading streams.... this is how I am welcomed every time I return to the mountains. You do climb to greater heights but somehow the mountains keep you grounded. In fact, trekking is a kind of experience that takes you back to your discipline basics, teach you a life of minimalism, and most importantly, turns your modesty switch ON. In the quest of finding my inner self, trekking seems to be the perfect gateway. So, holding the backpack and the stick in another hand, during the last Durga Puja vacations, I started my journey to the mighty Hampta Pass. HamptaPass lies at an altitude of 14039 ft on the Pir Panjal range in the Himalayas. It is a small corridor between Lahaul's Chandra Valley and Kullu valley of Himachal Pradesh, India.

Our trek began from Jobra village which is the base camp and one and half hour drive from Manali. We were a group of seven, which included my 13 year old girl and 5 year old son, the two minors in the group, but the most energetic ones. Dinesh, our trek guide asked me to walk in the front. But I knew that I have a slow pace so I volunteered to walk in the end. I said that I wanted to make sure that no one is left behind. This is how I saved myself from the embarrassment of being the last in the group.

Initially it was a normal hike through the lush green forest but later we came across beautiful meadows. Everyone was excited as well as exhausted due to the previous day's hectic 12 hours on road journey from New Delhi to Manali. We trekked for about 3 hours to reach our first camp site of the day 'Chika'.

On our second day at 7.30 a.m, we embarked on a long trek of 6 to 7 hours today. The route was all green but a bit steep, across treacherous boulder zones and gushing streams. We all felt better than the previous day. After a scrumptious breakfast, we started with renewedvigour. The view was serene and picturesque. The milestone of the day was to cross the chilling water of Rani Naala. We were excited to cross it as it gave us a new experience about how it feels to walk knee-deep in ice-cold water. We crossed the stream in about 5-6 minutes, holding hands, slowly taking a step forward, making sure we all crossed it safely. Our feet became numb and we had to wait for sometime, even after wearing our shoes, for the numbness to leave us. After trekking the distance of 9 km we reached our second day camp site 'Balu ka ghera'. At the campsite we met other trekkers who were returning from Hampta pass and learnt from them that there had been heavy snowfall and the chances to cross the pass is very bleak!

Day 3 was the day when we were going to trek the mighty Hampta Pass. Excited and nervous at the same time, we started our day. The initial few kilometers was a normal hike and we were able to do it easily. The whole valley was a combination of white and green due to yesterday's rain. We were lucky that we did not face

any rain during our trek till then. The steep ascent started from the small lake on our way. The ascent was not only difficult but also very tiring. We crossed green valley and then made our way through glaciers. The encouraging words of Dinesh kept our spirits up. Finally, we reached the Pass. The peaks surrounding the Hampta ridge looked intimidating. Unconquered Mt. Indrasan was standing tall and was clearly visible from the pass. It took a while to absorb the beauty of the surroundings. We stayed there for almost an hour and cherished our achievement to reach 14,000 ft. by clicking group pictures.

Then came the steep descent. I jokingly call myself the 'queen of descent' and was amongst the first few to reach our camp site. Three of us, my children and I, reached the camp site almost 40 minutes before the rest of the group. We were tired from the day long trek and soon retired into our tents post dinner. It snowed quite heavily that night.

The next day we decided to spend a day at 'Balu ka ghera' camp as we were not able to cross the Hampta pass and so, had an extra day in hand.

Day 5 started with a river crossing on our way back to 'Chika' camp. This time we were more scared as we had already had the experience of walking in the chilled water. The stretch of water was quite long. With this started the trek back to civilization. The hike to our last camp site Chika was a gradual decent through rocks and was an easy hike. Again I was among the first few to reach 'Chika'& I have to admit that I completely forgot my role of walking in the end altogether in the excitement of the descent.

It was an easy trek through plains and rocks in between. We stayed at our camp in the night and were back to Manali the next day.

Like all my earlier adventures I again left a part of me here maybe I'll come back someday, maybe I won't but I am glad I was fortunate to see this place.

While I remember all my school teachers who bestowed me with great knowledge and taught me lessons about life, I cannot forget to wish another greatest teacher I have met in my life-Mountains. The rock appears as hard as a strict teacher and the snow capped mountains melt as fast as that sweet teacher who was never able to scold you. Just like all our teachers, mountains too have played a great role in shaping up what I am today. Few arduous treks and rendezvous later, I realized all the valuable lessons mountains taught me which books couldn't. I have realised that I have two hands and strong legs. As if I didn't already know! But my need for comfort, contentment, and lack of tension had made me forget that these hands were gifted to me to do tough mechanical work and not just scrolling through my Facebook Newsfeed. I realised that Hard Work Pays **Off.**Climbing a mountain is a strenuous job but the views we get from the top pay off the hard work well. Being Optimistic, because whosoever said "I can't" has never been able to climb that peak. I learnt that The best things in life are free. Like that cup of tea and that night under the starry sky. Being grateful for small things in life-How grateful we have been to savour every morsel of food while on the mountains. Modesty is the best policy- I must confess it! Every time I have been to the mountains, all my desires for materialistic and superficial things vanished. **Conquering our fears-** Afraid of heights? Or living, maybe? Let us not allow these fears to drag us down. We must own and conquer them. After all, I wasn't out in wild for luxury but to test my endurance.

In case you have missed any of these lessons, book your next class with the mountains!