

Buzz...

The Monthly Newsletter

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Welcome to the May-June 2023 edition of our monthly newsletter, *Buzz*. Join us as we explore the highlights of the past two months, reflecting on memorable moments and exciting events.

To provide horizon-widening experiences to the students, MCKV organised captivating excursions to Sandakphu and Sundarban, led by our teachers. The boys immersed themselves in the awe-inspiring beauty of snow-capped mountains and vast meadows, finding solace in the wonders of nature.

To ease the transition into the final two years of school, a comprehensive orientation session was organised for the boys of Class 11. This initiative aimed to introduce the students to the practices, traditions and values of our institution. The Investiture Ceremony, held earlier, exemplified our commitment to nurturing leadership and responsibility, as young leaders were entrusted with authority.

Two highly anticipated events in June were the 27th Foundation Day Celebration of MCKV and the International Film Festival hosted by our school. The Annual Prize Day,

held on the occasion of Foundation Day, honoured the achievements of our academic toppers. Our annual school magazine, *Voyage 2023*, was also officially released at this event. The International Film Festival, on the other hand, celebrated innovation and creativity, and was a multi-disciplinary learning experience for the students.

As we embrace adaptability, critical thinking, and personal growth, we hope that these beautiful qualities will help us to embody, throughout our lives, what MCKV teaches us: compassion, decency, rationality and moral strength. Together, we can achieve greater heights, inspired by the indomitable spirit that resonates through the halls of MCKV.

Happy Learning!

Summary of school events

The Prefects' Investiture Ceremony 2023-2024



M. C. Kejriwal Vidyapeeth held its Prefects' Investiture ceremony on 11 May 2023 in the school auditorium. The ceremony aimed to nurture leadership skills among student leaders of the academic year 2023-2024. Mr Praveen Kumar Tripathi, Commissioner of Police, Howrah,

graced the occasion as the Chief Guest, and Col. Neeraj Chaudhary, Commanding Officer, 21BN, NCC, was the Guest of Honour. Ms Mallika Mukherjee, our Principal, administered the oath of office, during which the student leaders pledged their commitment to serve the school community and humanity with dedication. The Chief Guest, Guest of Honour, and the School Management bestowed authority on the student leaders by draping them with sashes of honour bearing the badges of office. The ceremony concluded with a vote of thanks by the School Captain, Uday Bansal, leaving the student leaders motivated and determined to fulfil their entrusted responsibilities.



On 14 May 2023, a group of 40 students from Classes 9 to 12, accompanied by four teachers, two trained instructors, and four guides, embarked on an unforgettable trekking trip to Sandakphu. Starting from Dhotrey, they trekked through picturesque locations including Tonglu, Tumling, Gairibas, Kalipokhri, and finally reached Sandakphu. Unfazed by inclement weather, the team persevered, immersing themselves in the serene greenery, capturing stunning views of the *Sleeping Buddha* amidst clouds. This transformative trek fostered invaluable life lessons, forging indelible memories for a lifetime.

Orientation Programme for Class 11



An orientation programme was conducted on 12 June 2023 to familiarise the new batch of Class 11 with the rules, regulations, practices, ethos and culture of MCKV. The students were warmly welcomed by the Secondary Stage Coordinator, Ms Sanchita Sarkar, while the Chief Guest, Mr Amitabh Mohan, a respected psychologist, and Founder of HLS India, delivered an inspiring speech on the benefits of smart timing and collaboration. Our Chairman emphasised the importance of cultivating good character, and our Director encouraged the boys to live consciously. Additionally, the students were given a virtual tour of the school and its achievements through a presentation by the Secondary Stage Coordinator. They were also briefed about various initiatives such as the Interact Club, NCC, IAYP, and Business Enterprise, designed to help them in their future endeavours. The programme concluded with a vote of thanks by our Assistant Secondary Stage Coordinator, Ms Gargi Mukherjee.



On the occasion of MCKV's 27th Foundation Day, a sacred *Havan* was performed on 15 June 2023 in the assembly area by ISKCON priests, attended by our esteemed Chairman, Director, Principal, Headmaster, teachers, and members of the Prefectorial body. This solemn ritual served as a reverent prelude, invoking blessings for the significant milestone about to be celebrated. Subsequently, on 17 June 2023, the main celebration of our school's 27th Foundation Day unfolded with grandeur combining the Annual Prize Distribution ceremony with a captivating cultural programme. The Additional District Magistrate of Howrah, Mr Azar Zia, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest, alongside Dr Sayan Bhattacharya, Education Officer, Indian Museum, Kolkata, as the Guest of Honour. Our 2023 ISC and ICSE toppers, including Sidharth Kumar Dugar (ISC All-India Rank 2) and Monu Kumar Yadav (ICSE All-India Rank 4), were honoured with trophies, prizes and certificates. The Management also felicitated staff who have served the institution for 10 and 15 years. The Chief Guest released our annual school magazine, *Voyage 2023*. The programme concluded with a vote of thanks by our Principal, followed by the school anthem.

Raj Bhavan Visit



On the occasion of West Bengal's State Foundation Day, a drawing competition was held at Raj Bhavan, organised by Dr C. V. Ananda Bose, the Governor of West Bengal. MCKVians, along with students from other schools, participated in the event. A total of 20 talented budding artists showcased their skills in the competition. Adding to the prestige, one of our teachers was appointed as a judge. The participants were inspired by a motivational address by the honourable Governor. The event provided our students with the rare opportunity of displaying their artistic talents at the historical Raj Bhavan.

International Yoga Day



The basketball court of MCKV came alive on 21 June 2023 as students from Pre-Nursery to Class 6 participated in an event organised to observe International Yoga Day. The event aimed to foster a healthy lifestyle among the students through yoga. Demonstrations of diverse breathing exercises and yoga postures captivated the young minds, inspiring them to embrace the transformative power of yoga. The session enlightened them about its significance in their lives and encouraged them to make it an integral part of their daily routine.



On 24 and 25 June 2023, MCKV hosted its first-ever International Film Festival, *Pather Panchali*, for the students of Classes 8 to 12. The festival showcased a diverse selection of award-winning feature-length films and documentaries from various countries. Well-known personalities from the film industry, including Ms Sudipta Chakraborty (National Award-winning actor), film-makers Mr Anjan Bose, Ms Sarmistha Maiti and Mr Rajdeep Paul, and Mr Shyamal Karmakar (former professor of editing at the Satyajit Ray Film and Television Institute, Kolkata), graced the event, providing our students with a unique opportunity to gain insights into the artistry and nuances of filmmaking. Our Chairman, and the

Director, in their respective speeches, emphasised films as educational tools and urged the audience to explore the numerous career opportunities within the industry.

The remarkable interactive sessions and vivid discussions between our guests and students created a space for compelling conversations. This exceptional exposure will hopefully have a great impact on the intellectual development of our students who were fortunate to be part of this enriching experience.

For detailed reports and photographs of the above events, please visit our website, www.mckv.edu.in

Restoration of Nature



Under the auspices of *The Living Water Museum and Breathing Roots*, a prestigious NGO, students of various renowned schools in Kolkata and its vicinity participated in a mangrove plantation drive. Representing MCKV, Aman Raj Sharma of Class 10A and Veni Tulsian of Class 11A contributed to this endeavour, which took place on the banks of the Raimongal River near Kalitola, Hingalgunj, on 24 June 2023. With fervour, our students planted mangrove saplings along the riverbank, while also gaining valuable experiences by visiting a forest camp and enjoying the panoramic vistas from a watchtower. We hope these additional exposures made the trip more memorable for them.

Personality Development and Effective Communication Skills



MCKV believes in equipping its students with 21st-century skills to prepare them for the future. A recent initiative towards this goal was a three-day workshop on '*Personality Development and Effective Communication Skills*' held from 15 to 17 May 2023. The workshop, conducted by our Headmaster, Mr Biswajit Majumdar, was exclusively for Class 8 students. It provided them with a valuable opportunity to improve their communication abilities and recognise the significance of cultivating a holistic personality in today's world. The workshop included practical sessions where students could refine their communication skills. MCKV remains committed to nurturing well-rounded individuals capable of succeeding in the modern era.



Unite Against Destruction:

Joining forces to say no to drugs and tobacco! Our NCC cadets led the charge at Kolkata's rally for a drug-free future



A Glass of Relief:

Interactors of Class 11 served sherbat to the weary souls to beat the May heat



A Taste of Thoughtfulness: Class 12 Interactors offered nutritious delights to our Ancillary Staff



A Call to Arms against Plastic Pollution: Interact Club's powerful awareness campaign



Strengthening Inclusive Education: Interactors of Class 12 helped Bal Vikas Kendra students learn computer basics



Embracing Community Service and Devotion: Our Interactors distributed bhog at Kolkata Maidan and the ISKCON temple on Rath Yatra



The award ceremony for the annual social service initiatives by the Interact Clubs of District 3291 took place at South City International School on 28th June 2023. The Interact Club of MCKV received awards in the following categories:

- 1) Community Service - Medical - 2nd
- 2) Vocational Service - 1st
- 3) Adult Literacy - 1st
- 4) Literacy - 2nd
- 5) Award received for having more than 100 active members.
- 6) Award received for highest project participation in every category.
- 7) A special token of appreciation to Interactor Sidharth Kumar Dugar for his outstanding performance in the ISC examination 2023 and securing 2nd position in All India Rank.

This success highlights MCKV's commitment to fostering socially responsible individuals dedicated to improving society. Congratulations to the School Management, Interact Club Coordinators, and Interactors on this remarkable achievement.



Delta House received the **Best in Academics** trophy



Beta House won the **Best in Extra-Curricular Activities** and the **Cock House** trophies

Swimming Sensation

Aarav Ray of Class 7B of our school made waves at the Midnapore Swimming All-Bengal Club Meet. His exceptional skills and dedication led to a double victory as he received both the Best Swimmer Award and the Best Butterfly Man Award. Aarav's outstanding performance impressed everyone. Aarav's success serves as an inspiration to his peers and highlights his promising future in the world of swimming. Congratulations to Aarav Ray for his remarkable achievement!

Congratulations



Riddle: What Am I?

Solve the following riddles based on the hints given below:

- 1: I am taken from a mine and shut in a wooden case, from which I am never released, yet I am used by almost everyone. What am I? _____
- 2: I have keys but no locks. I have space but no room. You can enter but can't go outside. What am I? _____

Hints:

- 1: The item mentioned is something small that is commonly used by artists.
2: This feature is often used by many people, in offices, schools, or public spaces.

The solutions will be published in the next edition.

The solutions to the previous puzzle, *Onomatopoeia*.

1. BLOOP 2. GIGGLE 3. SQUEAK 4. SQUAWK 5. SPLASH 6. TWEET 7. WHOOSH 8. SQUEAL

MCKV New Staff Members



Ms Aritra Dutta
MCA, B.Ed
Department of Computer



Ms Moumita Debnath
M.A in Music & Sanskrit.
B.Ed
Department of Music





Ms Shreya Majumdar
M.Sc.in Physics, B.Ed
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Mr Nityananda Manna
M.A, M.Phil,
Ph.D in Sanskrit, B.Ed
Department of Sanskrit

Inter-House Competitions: The Achievers May - June 2023

 POSITION	Origami Competition	Picture Talk Competition	Dance Competition	
			Group-A Classes 5 & 6	Group-B Classes 7 & 8
FIRST	Sourish Chatterjee (7996), 3C	Ayushman Dutta (7491), 1D	Ritam Panja (6443), 6A	Krishnam Agarwal
SECOND	Reyansh Rathi (7023), 3A	Indrajit Banerjee (7376), 1D	Aviraj Pal (5919), 6C	Siddhart Prasad (5424), 8B
THIRD	Adarsh Singh (6755), 4A	Arnish Dasgupta (6936), 2A	Akshat Anand (5898), 5A	Akshat Bhatia (4936), 8B

 POSITION	Just A Minute Competition		English Debate Competition	
	Group-A Classes 9 & 10	Group-B Classes 11 & 12	Group-A Classes 9 & 10	Group-B Classes 11 & 12
FIRST	Deepangshu Mitra (5075), 9C	Aritra Kanrar (6413), 12A	Ayush Meharia (4657), 9E	Sreejit Dey (4119), 12A
SECOND	Raunak Mallik (4346), 10A	Nishant Sharma (4179), 12C	Snehashis Ganguly (4718), 10A	Rajat Soni (4137), 12D
THIRD	Soutra Ray (5493), 10C	Monu Kumar Yadav (6103), 11A	Shubhankar Verma (4338), 10D	Utkarsh Raj (6125), 11A

Condolences

Our deepest condolences to Ms Ruma Chakraborty (Preparatory Stage) on the untimely death of her mother.

Corrigendum

- In the April 2023 edition of *Buzz*, the name of the 1st runner-up of the Story Telling Competition was spelt wrong. The correct spelling is Adriyan Das, not Adrian Das. We sincerely regret the error.
- We beg pardon for the error in the condolence section of the previous edition of *Buzz*. Ms Pratibha Pathak (Foundational Stage) lost her mother, not her father. We sincerely apologize for the mistake.
- We also apologize for an oversight in the February 2023 edition of *Buzz*. The report on the Career Conclave 2023 failed to include the vital information that the event was initiated and moderated by Mr Amitabh Mohan, Founder & MD of HLS, India. We deeply regret the omission.

