

Hiten Golchha 12-D School Captain designate

'Play and learn; friends and fun; laughter and tears; rushing to grow up yet longing for innocence.' A school undoubtedly plays a pivotal role in the life of every student. Thirteen years ago, I walked into the gates of M. C. Kejriwal Vidyapeeth. Since then, it has been nothing less than my second home. It is the place where I received my first learning, made my first friends, met my first teachers, got homework, was punished, and experienced many more things that went on to make up the best part of my life. Hence, it is a matter of immense joy for me to be able to witness my school complete twenty-five years of excellence. To mark the Silver Jubilee Celebrations of MCKV, a resplendent

Often, when I wonder what makes this institution so special, I am reminded of the factors that set it apart from the others. MCKV has always laid equal emphasis on the holistic development of its students besides imparting academic knowledge. Since its inception, the school has been relentlessly working towards the betterment of society, the nation, and the world by creating dynamic, global citizens rooted in values, art, and culture. It makes me proud to be a part of this great institution and the values it stands for. I hope and pray that this remarkable journey of MCKV continues for many more years to come!

programme, 'REFLECTIONS' was held at the Science City Auditorium on 18th June, 2022.

### Reflections-The journey of 25 years

Life offers us very few occasions when we witness history being created. 18<sup>th</sup> June, 2022, marked one such amazing day for the entire MCKV fraternity as they gathered together to be a part of 'Reflections' – the grand celebration on the completion of MCKV's journey of 25 years.

At the Science City Auditorium, the school welcomed eminent personalities and dignitaries from across the country amid drum beats and a special guard of honour presented by our NCC Cadets and Boy Scouts. Mr. Gerry Arathoon, Chief Executive and Secretary, Council for the Indian Certificate Examinations, was the Chief Guest for the event. Swami Vedatitananda, Correspondent, Ramakrishna Mission Shilpamandira, Belur Math, and Dr. Debiprosad Duari, Scientist, Educationist and former Director of M. P. Birla Planetarium, graced the occasion as Guests of Honour. We were also very happy to welcome Mrs. Anita Arathoon, eminent author and educator.

The much-awaited Silver Jubilee mega event featured mellifluous prayer songs, amazing dance performances based on diverse genres like Kattputhli and Tutting, sprightly action songs, invigorating instrumental presentations, and a heart-wrenching drama on human transformation. Wholehearted participation coupled with hard work and dedication by our students spanning from Pre-Nursery to Class 12 under the able guidance and supervision of their teachers made each of these events extremely entertaining and successful. There was an overpouring of emotions as the school felicitated our

founder staff members, benefactors, mentors and wellwishers who have been with us through thick and thin. The Chief Guest released the special edition of 'Voyage', the annual school magazine, chronicling the institution's marvellous journey. Our Chairman, Mr. Kishan Kumar Kejriwal's emotional speech along with an evocative video on the evolution of our school and a compelling welcome address by our Director, Mr. Neelkantha Gupta, touched every heart in the auditorium. Our emcees, Hiten Golchha, Sarthak Hazra and Lakshya Tripathi too deserve a special mention for expertly steering us through the myriad items of the programme. The tabla presentation by the students of Bal Vikas Kendra, an institution for differently-abled children, filled our hearts with pride and joy. The programme ended with a vote of thanks proposed by the Headmaster, Mr. Biswajit Majumder and Ms. Keka Mukherjee, Chairperson of the Silver Jubilee Committee, extending their heartfelt gratitude to everyone who played a role in the success of the celebratory event.

Befitting its title, the event was truly a red-letter day in the history of the school where we revisited the years left behind and took it as an opportunity to introspect and continue our journey with a renewed fervour towards a higher and more challenging destination. As the audience left the auditorium, each heart hummed "We will cross every mountain/ And with Your faith we will rise...We are MCKVians". The day will forever remain etched in our minds and hearts and we will recall it with fondness and contentment.

















## MCKV wins big at AIM 2022

The evening of 21st June, 2022 saw MCKV bagging several awards at the Annual Interact Meet 2022 at Sarala Memorial Hall, Kolkata. In a star-studded event, MCKV Interact Club won awards in the following categories:

- First in community service (both Medical and Non-medical categories) and the most number of service projects.
- Second in Covid support
- Third in Vocational Service and Adult Literacy.

President of Interact Club of M. C. Kejriwal Vidyapeeth, Itr Krish Gupta, also received the Outstanding President award.

In MCKV, we believe in service before self, and our winning awards in so many categories corroborate the fact that the school has been able to successfully nurture socially responsible and empathetic individuals who are dedicated to the cause of uplifting society. Our heartiest congratulations to our School Management, our Interact Club Coordinators and our dear Interactors on their achievements.









# Computer Literacy for Bal Vikas Kendra

"Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement. Nothing can be done without hope and confidence."

A fundamental understanding of Computer Literacy is essential in this modern era. To impart this knowledge, the Interact Club of MCKV is conducting learning sessions for the children with special needs associated with Bal Vikas Kendra to teach them the basics of computer literacy. The teachers and the Interactors of Class 12 are conducting these sessions every week to impart computing skills to these students in an innovative way. Not only are these classes providing our differently-abled friends with confidence but are also helping the Interactors to understand the problems faced by them daily. These sessions are certainly proving beneficial for the students with special



needs in moving one step closer to gaining independence in handling technology.

### MCKV Alumni visits Goshala

Mahatma Gandhi once said, "Man, through the cow, is enjoined to realize his identity with all that lives."

On 5<sup>th</sup> June, 2022, the members of M. C. Kejriwal Vidyapeeth Alumni Association visited the Calcutta Pinjrapole Society Liluah Goshala to serve the cows and oxen residing there and to spend some quality time with them. With over twelve hundred bovine residents at the Goshala, the Management of M. C. Kejriwal Vidyapeeth renders them assistance by way of shelter, food, nourishment and veterinary care. Approximately eleven hundred human workers are involved in regularly taking care of the bovine population. They pay detailed attention to the needs of this holiest biotic group. An ambulance has also been gifted to the Calcutta Pinjrapole Society Liluah Goshala in memory of our Founder Chairman late S.S. Kejriwalji



which is used for tending to the needy. Thus, this noble initiative of visiting the Goshala was a simple gesture of acknowledging the services provided by these selfless animals towards humanity.





## Free Vaccination Camp (phase 2)



On 7<sup>th</sup> May, 2022, M.C. Kejriwal Vidyapeeth, in association with Bally Municipality, organised the greatly anticipated second phase of the free vaccination camp for students who belong to the age group of twelve to fourteen years. Our boys were administered their second jab of Corbevax vaccine by a team of trained nurses and doctors at the school campus.

The generous venture was highly appreciated by our parents who expressed their heartfelt gratitude to the School Management for organizing the camp. With great joy we share that almost 100% of our students in the senior school (comprising Middle and Secondary Stages) are now

vaccinated. Definitely, the drive paved the way for a safer campus and was a step towards getting back to 'normal' living.



## Creative Advocacy for Climate Action



'Mother Earth provides enough to satisfy every man's need but not every man's greed.'

Climate change impacts almost the entire global population. It is an unequivocal truth that human activities have contributed substantially to the drastic changes in the climate. Hence, it becomes imperative to educate oneself about its effects on the environment. With this very objective, the students of Classes 9 and 10 of M.C. Kejriwal Vidyapeeth attended a workshop on 'Creative Advocacy for Climate Change'. It was conducted at the American Centre on  $27^{\text{th}}$  June, 2022 by the Living Water Museum.

The key resource person of the workshop was Ms. Paramita Saha, a renowned

dancer and artist. The session

emphasized the effects that climate change would have in our lives and how art can be a medium of spreading awareness of the same. Students from various schools were encouraged to adopt and follow the three Rs of waste management: Reduce, Reuse and Recycle waste. Unique ideas and methods were shared as to how these concepts can be integrated into daily living. The participants also performed short plays on topics like- 'Time', 'Refuse' and 'Choice'. The skits highlighted the significance of buying things that one truly needs rather than purchasing impulsively out of greed. The workshop ended with the students taking a solemn pledge to create climate consciousness among individuals to ensure a brighter and sustainable future for the next generation.



## Artistic Touch of the children of 'Chorus'



Yet again, Interact Club of M.C.Kejriwal Vidyapeeth embarked on a mission to lend an altruistic hand to the underprivileged section of the society. In this endeavour, the Interactors engaged in communicating with the children of 'Chorus', an organization working to improve the lives of slum children, on 25<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 An umbrella painting competition was organized for the children. Not only will the umbrellas



come in handy for them during the rainy season but also the children were introduced to a new skill. It was really satisfying to watch the faces of the little ones beaming with happiness when they were presented with artefacts made by MCKV students. This joyful activity culminated with a sumptuous lunch for the children.





#### Cleanliness Drive



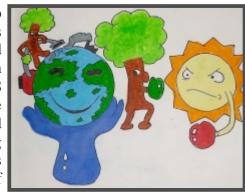
A clean person is not the one who runs away from dirt, but, one who takes time and effort to tidy up a dirty environment. In this humid monsoon when diseases are at their peak, the Social Service Club of M. C. Kejriwal Vidyapeeth took an initiative to keep the surrounding areas of the school clean by sprinkling bleaching powder. On 29<sup>th</sup> June, 2022, students of Class 12 wearing face-masks and gloves, sprinkled bleaching powder in the vicinity of the school including the areas outside Agrasain Street.

They were appreciated by the curious onlookers. Thus, it was a successful step taken to spread awareness about the necessity of having clean surroundings for the betterment of our society.



### World Environment Day 2022

M.C. Kejriwal Vidyapeeth joined hands with millions of people around the globe to celebrate World Environment Day on 5<sup>th</sup> June, 2022. The theme of this year was "Only One Earth" – a theme symbolic of the need for unity at a time when our world faces many difficulties. The focus of the event was to live sustainably and in harmony with nature. To mark this occasion, the students of Classes 6 to 8 participated in various events organised by the Department of Geography and the Department of Biology. Children of Class 6 made a collage using naturally collected materials like fallen leaves, dried petals, vegetable peels and wooden scraps among others to depict how they would like to see Mother Earth. On the other hand, students of Class 8 made a poster on "Sustainable Living" and took the added initiative of planting saplings around them. Their commitment to sustainability and the hope for



a greener Earth did not fail to inspire everyone. We are hopeful that these small steps of the young citizens of our community will help in healing the Earth.

## Colours Speak Louder Than Words









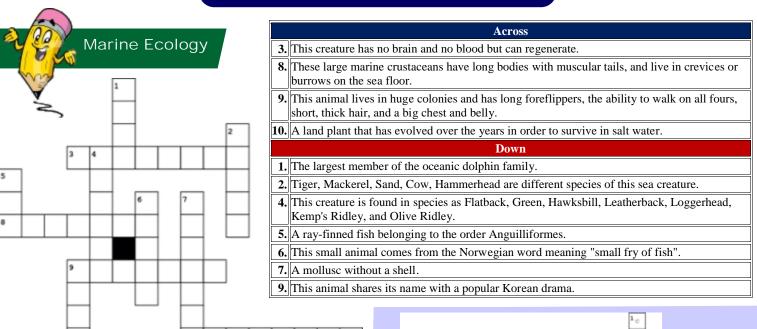
"We could learn a lot from crayons; some are sharp, some are pretty, some are dull, while others bright, some have weird names, but they all have learnt to live together in the same box." Colours are the source of joy and happiness for everyone, especially the little ones who have always fantasized about them. To fill their fanciful imagination with various shades, a Colouring Competition was held on 27<sup>th</sup> June, 2022, for the tiny tots of Nursery. The little artists participated in the competition with great enthusiasm and exhibited wonderful skills by colouring the pictures given. The fun they had is certainly going to remain with them as cherishable childhood memories.



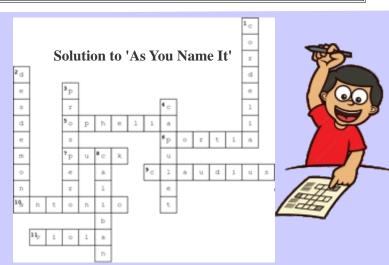
## **Results of the Colouring Competition**

CLASS NURSERY A				
POSITION	NAME OF THE STUDENT	ROLL NO.		
FIRST	DEVYAAN JAISWAL	8118		
SECOND	DEVANSH SHARMA	8113		
THIRD	DARSH MISHRA	7713		
CLASS NURSE	RYB			
POSITION	NAME OF THE STUDENT	ROLL NO.		
FIRST	GARVIK BHANDARI	8018		
SECOND	AADRIK KUNDU	7872		
THIRD	ASHUTOSH RAI	7891		
CLASS NURSE	RYC			
POSITION	NAME OF THE STUDENT	ROLL NO.		
FIRST	TANUSH MOHATA	7718		
SECOND	VIAAN SINGH	7654		
THIRD	SRIJAN SANTRA	7882		

## Crossword Puzzle based on marine life:



[Solutions will be published in the next edition]







## Wonder boy



With self-belief, hard work and perseverance, everything is possible. MCKV takes immense pride in sharing the exceptional achievements of Hitesh Kumar Bhuwalka of Class 11B. This 'wonder boy' has made all of us proud by holding multiple records in solving the Rubik's Cube on a global platform. Hitesh's journey from holding the Rubik's Cube for the first time to becoming one of the top thirty Young Cube Masters in India has been truly awe-inspiring.

He started cubing in February, 2021 at the age of fourteen years. Since then, he has not only excelled in the skill of solving the 'Magic Cube', but has also coached many in the art of working out this puzzle.

Having conducted over three hundred and seventy-five teaching sessions in over six countries, Hitesh has established himself as a successful International Puzzle coach. Over the past ten months, he has tutored more than seventy students in the ways of solving the Rubik's Cube.

In addition, he has won multiple Online Cube Competitions, boasting a collection of ten

trophies and certificates.

On the 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> of June, 2022, Hitesh took part in an official Rubik's Cube Competition in Mumbai, organised by the World Cube Association, California, USA. In this very competition, he broke two state records of West Bengal in the 5x5 cube division. With a record of solving the cube in just one minute, four seconds and ninety milliseconds, he stands 33<sup>rd</sup> in the Indian rankings for Single records. Furthermore, his average record of one minute, ten seconds and ninety-eight milliseconds, stands 26<sup>th</sup> in the nationwide rankings.

These are but a few of Hitesh's remarkable achievements. We congratulate him on his accomplishments and hope that he continues to achieve more in the future.

STUDENTS' CANTEEN MENU FROM 1/07/2022 TO 29/07/2022					
WEEK	SHORT BREAK	RATE	LUNCH BREAK	RATE	
18/07/2022 TO 22/07/2022	VEG CUTLET	12.00	PANEER ROLL	30.00	
	GRILLED SANDWICH	25.00	PASTA	30.00	
	MASALA MURI	12.00			
25/07/2022 TO 29/07/2022	MASALA MURI	12.00	BREAD PIZZA	30.00	
	VEG PAKORA (4 Pcs)	15.00	CHOWMEIN	30.00	
	SAMOSA (2 Pcs)	12.00			