



THE KALYANI SCHOOL

Newsletter – December, 2023

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

December – the very name fills us with a mixture of bitter-sweet emotions. All at once, we remember those resolutions of the past year, which still remain unfulfilled; all that we should or could have done, but missed the bus; all the times we hurt others and ourselves.

While these thoughts make us doubt ourselves and feel low, we also remember those brilliant moments that lift our spirits – when we think about everything that we achieved despite all odds; those instances when we made someone smile, and those, when we too smiled in pure pleasure.

The Kalyaniites have been busy, happy and content. And in our next year's list of resolutions, we promise to be just the same.

We wish you a Very Happy New Year, Readers.



We realize that the past year is not to be regretted. It has taught us to be resilient, to have faith, to be kind and caring. So, we shall make new plans for the coming New Year, we shall try not to repeat old mistakes, and above all, we shall keep an open heart, open arms and an open mind.

December is always busier than every other month, despite having fewer working days. We began with the Pre-Board Exams, followed by the belated Children's Day programme, which was put up by the teachers of every Grade; and then we signed off with the Mad About India celebrations.

You don't need to predict the future. Just choose a future – a good future, a useful future – and make the kind of prediction that will alter human emotions and reactions in such a way that the future you predicted will be brought about.

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THEY DO US

PROUD

The girls of The Kalyani School decided to bid farewell to 2023 with resounding success. They left a blazing mark on the tracks, at the District level event, 'Rise-up Women Athletics Competition', which was organized by the Pudhari Newspaper, from 28th to 30th of November, at Baburao Sanas Ground, Swargate, Pune. We are very proud of them indeed. Go Girls, Go!!!



Mishika Chaubey and Aarna Chavan, of Grade III, got First Position in the 50 m run and 100 m run respectively, in the U-9 category. Mishika Chaubey, Ananya Jerath, Naira Hebbar and Aarna Chavan of Grades II and III, got the Second Position in 4x50 m Relay Race in the U-9 category. Aarna Chavan of Grade III, achieved First Position in Long Jump in the U-9 category. In the U-11 category, Kamaira Mulchandani of Grade V, achieved First Position in High Jump. Vidhi Lade of Grade VIII, achieved the Third Position in 80 m Hurdles, in the U-13 category. Nayna Puri, Urvi Jain, Saachi Mundada, and Naisha Doru of Grades X and XI, achieved Second Position in 4x400 m Relay, and Third Position in 4x100 m Relay. Nayna Puri of Grade XI won the Third Position in Long Jump; and Saachi Mundada of Grade XI, achieved the Second Position in the 800 m Run in the U-19 Girls' category.



Hridhaan Shah of Grade IX won the U-19 Boys Maharashtra Squash State Championship, organized by the Maharashtra Squash Racket Association on 1st and 2nd of December, in Undri, Pune.



Abbas Tejani from Grade VI, recently participated in a tournament representing the Pune United Football Academy, and won the Golden Glove award for being the best goal keeper of the tournament.



THEY DO US



Hridhaan Shah of Grade IX participated in the International level of REDtone Junior Open 2023, and achieved the 5th Position in the Boys' U-15 category. The event was conducted in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, by the Asian Squash Federation on 5th to 10th of December. To add to the feathers in his cap, Hridhaan won the CSK Squash Open 2023 Tournament in the U-15 Boys' category. The Tournament was a National level 3 star event, organized by SRFI (Squash Racket Federation of India), on 13th - 17th December. We applaud Hridhaan's continuous successes, which are a result of his constant dedication and focus on the sport. Way to go, Hridhaan!!



Zidaan Nalwala, of Grade IV, took part in Oceankids 500 m, at Oceanman World Finals in Phuket, Thailand. He received a finisher's medal and finished in 9:49 mins, in the 5th place, in the Boys' U-11 category. He has now qualified for the World Finals, which are going to be conducted in 2024. We are proud to see him reach such heights of success at such a young age. We wish him all the best for every future venture.

The Kalyani School sports kids brought home more laurels in December.

At the Schoolympics Athletics Competition, organized by Sakal Newspapers, from 10th to 14th of December, at Baburao Sanas Ground Swargate, Vidhi Lade of Grade VIII, won the Third Position in 80 m Hurdles, in the U-14 Girls' category.

Kavish Bhasin from Grade IX, won the Second Position in 100 m Hurdles, in the U-16 category.

Naisha Doru from Grade X won the Second Position in Triple Jump, in U-16 Girls' category.

Ridam Satre of Grade X, won the First Position in Triple Jump, in U-16 Boys' category.

We are proud of our Champs. More glory to you Children!!



Ananya Komath of Grade IX, secured the Second Position at the All India Kids Premier League - Colour Wizards 2023 Challenge in the 12-15 age category.

The Competition was organized online, by Wizkids carnival. We are proud of Ananya's many creative talents, and wish to see her continue with more success in the field of interests.



THEY DO US



On 15th of December, the TKS Girls' Handball teams participated in the Viva Handball Competition, at VIBGYOR School, NIBM. It was a District level Competition and each team performed commendably on the fields.

The students of Grades V to VII brought home laurels, by winning Gold, and lifting the Winners' Trophy, in the U-12 category.

Grades V and VI girls, also in the U-12 category, were the Second Runners-up and got Bronze.

The U-10 girls of Grades IV and V were the First Runners-up and received silver medals.

The U-14 girls, from Grades VII to IX, also achieved Silver. Their Competition was conducted on 16th of December.

The Grade VII and VIII U-14 team were the Second Runners-up, and received Bronze.



In the District level Behes Competition, conducted by Lexicon School, Wagholi, on 16th and 17th of December, the participants from TKS have impressed the adjudicators with their skills of articulation, logical thinking and confidence.

Drishti Agarwal of Grade XI, achieved the Fourth Position (Gold) in the 14-18 years category, and qualified for the Nationals, in the Lions' group. Sia Jakheta, also from Grade XI, achieved the Seventh Position (Silver), and qualified for the Nationals. Arjun Dwivedi, Dhruv Iyer from Grade IX ranked Twelfth (Silver), Eighth (Silver), respectively. They were qualifiers for the Nationals too. Suvir Arora, of Grade IX, achieved the Third Position (Gold). He was the Champions' team leader and Nationals' qualifier. The entire team has made a mark with their achievement, and we wish them the very best for the National Rounds, which will be conducted later this month.

"I do not know anyone who has got to the top without hard work. That is the recipe. It will not always get you to the top, but should get you pretty near."

— Margaret Thatcher



Tattva Jain, from Grade IX, achieved the Fourth Position in a Chess Championship, conducted by SPF Sports, on 10th of December. He had participated in the 13-14 years age group, and has done us all proud with his achievement. Good job, Tattva. Keep going!!



THEY DO US



Dhruv from Sr. KG finished in the Third Position in the final race of the 200 meters State Level Skating Championship, winning a Bronze Medal. The event was organized by YAK Public School, Khopoli, on 16th and 17th of December. Over 1000 talented racers from various parts of Maharashtra competed in the race. He secured the Second place in two League Matches before the final one. We congratulate him on his achievement and look forward to witnessing more victories in his journey ahead.



Akiev Keer of Grade XI A, has made the Kalyaniites proud with his laudable achievements at the Splash and Dash Swimming Competition, in the U-16 Boys' division. This District level event was organized by Pune District Amateur Aqua Swimming Association, on 17th of December. Akiev participated in the following categories, and made his mark in each one of them. We cheer for these commendable feats, and wish him the very best for the next ones too.

- First Position in 100 m Freestyle
- First Position in 200 m Freestyle
- First Position in 50 m Freestyle
- First Position in 50 m Backstroke
- First Position in 50 m Butterfly stroke



Hridhaan Shah of Grade IX has made headlines again. He played in the School State Squash-23, and achieved the Third Position in the U-17 Boys' category. This State level event was organized by Maharashtra Director of Sports and Youth, Sanchnalay & Pune DOS, on 24th and 25th of December. He has been selected in the Maharashtra U-17 Boys Squash Team for School Games Federation of India, to play in the National level. We tip our hats to his continuous victories, and look forward to seeing him go from strength to strength.



Success comes when you focus the full power of all you are, on what you have a burning desire to achieve.

– Wilfred Peterson

VIRTUAL EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

Once again, the Kalyaniites participated actively in a Virtual Exchange Programme. This time, the Grade VIII students of TKS interacted with Kawaragi Junior High School students from Japan, on 30th of November. It helped the young learners of both countries to learn about each other's culture and history. They also greeted each other in their own languages. A small ice breaking activity was prepared by the organisers for both the schools, which was all about identifying and representing through correct gestures, the images shown on a presentation. The children found it interesting and were happy to be a part of the activity. The students of Japan taught the Kalyaniites, how to do Origami Art. They were divided into groups so that they could interact in smaller clusters. They exchanged valuable information on their respective countries with great zeal and enthusiasm. They also had an informal talk about their personal lives, about music and food, and their likes and dislikes. It was a very enriching session and the children were glad to learn about Indian and Japanese culture, in great depth.



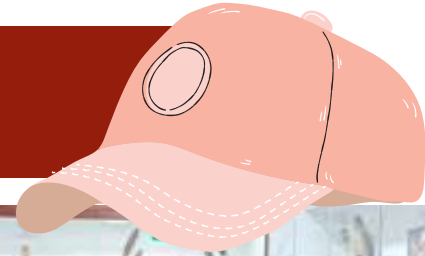
TKS COMMUNITY SERVICE



On the 1st of December, TKS teachers visited the Zilla Parishad School, Their once again, to facilitate their teaching-learning process. The students of Grades IV, V and VI studied Science under their guidance, through experiments on how air and water support our life. They learned that air supports burning, the necessity of clean water for sustenance, and also, the concepts of sedimentation, decantation and filtration. They learned to connect their experiments to day-to-day practices, and enjoyed the learning experience. The students of Grades I, II and III studied English. They were guided to talk about themselves in English, which they did with enthusiasm. They also enjoyed the story telling session on the birth of Jesus Christ. This was followed by a simple Quiz on 'Christmas' and the children were able to answer the questions correctly. It was another gracious effort made by the facilitators, and the learning outcome as usual, was very satisfactory indeed.



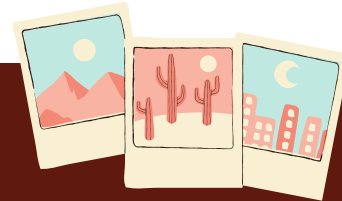
FIELD TRIP - GRADE II



The students of Grade II visited the Tribal Museum on 5th of December, with their peers and teachers. This trip was an integral part of their topic in the upcoming Mad About India event. The objective was to learn about the different tribal cultures and traditions, and appreciate the importance of traditional clothing and artefacts. They were given an exposure to the Indian tribal cultures that have a deep connection to the natural world, and to identify how tribal people use natural resources to meet their needs.



The children were fascinated by the museum's extensive collection of photographs, artifacts, household items, weapons, and other objects that provided a detailed glimpse into the lives of tribal communities, particularly those residing in the Sahyadri and Gondhavana regions. On their return to school, the students wrote their reflections on their trip, and expressed their desire to revisit the Museum again.



FIELD TRIP - GRADE VII

A field visit was organised for Grade VII students to The Tribal Cultural Museum, to explore a wide variety of artefacts from the tribes of Western India, and gather more knowledge about their topic of Mad About India. The children had an interesting tour of the museum, which spans across two rooms and an outdoor space, where the huts of some of the tribal communities have been recreated. The displays and artefacts of the museum explain the culture, traditions and the routines of these tribes, showcasing artwork, instruments, weapons and artefacts that are unique to them. Some of the notable artefacts on display at the museum included tobacco containers, copper motifs, Pawara ornaments, pieces with Dokra work, as well as some Warli paintings. These didn't just help students with MAI, but also contributed towards their experiential learning of the history chapters primarily related to the tribes of India, such as the Bhil and the Gond. The museum hosts a wide variety of resources for anybody pursuing studies relating to anthropology and ethnography of these communities. This museum is owned and managed by the state government, and was a must-visit for the students to gain new experiences. The students' take-aways were substantial and are sure to enrich their projects a great deal.



FIELD TRIP - GRADE IX



On the 6th of December, the Grade IX students were taken on an inspiring field trip to the renowned Zapurza Museum of Art & Culture in Pune. The objective was to expose our students to diverse art forms and encourage a deeper appreciation for creativity. The students delved into the diverse and rich cultural tapestry on display at the Zapurza Museum, gaining exposure to a myriad of artistic expressions. The guided tour offered them an understanding of the historical and cultural significance behind the exhibited artworks and artefacts. Engaging workshops allowed them to actively participate in hands-on activities, fostering a sense of creativity and self-expression. The field trip received positive feedback, with all the students expressing a heightened interest and appreciation, for the cultural and artistic heritage showcased at Zapurza Museum. The Field Trip left a lasting impact on their artistic and cultural awareness.



FUN FAIR - GRADE II



On 9th of December, The Kalyani School campus transformed into a vibrant wonderland for the little children of Grade II. The air buzzed with excitement and anticipation as the students, parents, and teachers prepared for a Fun Fair, a day filled with laughter, games, a magic show, and delicious popcorn and cotton candy. It featured a diverse array of exciting activities and games, catering to the varied interests of the young minds. The children could test their skills at the bouncy castle and trampoline, while the bowling and the dart games provided opportunities for friendly competition. The main highlight of the day was the petting of rabbits and birds. It was a rewarding experience for people of all ages. It provided an opportunity to connect with nature, learn about different species, and simply enjoy the company of furry and feathered friends. A Magic Show held at the Center for Performing Arts, mesmerized the audience with a variety of captivating tricks by the magician. Each act was met with gasps of astonishment and bursts of laughter. He actively engaged the audience, selecting volunteers to participate in some of his illusions. It was a memorable event that left a lasting impact on everyone involved.



FUN FAIR - ELEMENTARY GRADES



The Fun Fair for the children of Jr. K.G., held on 9th of December, was no less enjoyable. The students were not only able to connect with their friends and participate in the fun-filled games, but also learned about team building and how to be responsible.

The event catered to a diverse range of interests, from the enchanting magic show to the hands-on pottery, dart games, trampoline, bouncy castle, bowling, buggy rides, train rides, and paddle boats, the fair offered something for everyone.

The talented magician created an allure for the audience with tricks, illusions, and captivating performances. Gasps of amazement were heard among the audience, as objects vanished into thin air and reappeared right before their eyes. The Fun Fair was packed with interesting activities designed to attract everyone. Hands-on pottery sessions brought out the artist within the children; there were dart games too that tested accuracy and precision. The trampoline, bouncy castle, and bowling alley added an extra dose of fun-filled excitement.

Adventure seekers had their hearts racing as they hopped on the buggy rides that whizzed through the fairgrounds. The train rides provided a tour around the school, while filling the air with children's laughter and delight. For those seeking some waterborne thrills, paddle boats were available for an enjoyable ride.

The Fair created countless memories that will be cherished for years to come. Laughter echoed through every corner, as the little ones created new connections amidst all the excitement. The vibrant atmosphere was contagious, spreading joy throughout the school.



SPECIAL ASSEMBLY - GRADE II A



On 30th of November, the students of Grade II A presented a Special Assembly on World Computer Literacy Day, which is observed on 2nd of December every year, to promote digital literacy. This day serves as a reminder of the crucial role computers play in our modern society and how they have become an integral part of our daily lives.

During the Assembly, the children discussed the invention of the computer and the theme for World Computer Literacy Day 2023, which is 'Literacy for Human-Centered Recovery.' This theme focuses on the interference of machinery in the human world. They highlighted the importance of computer literacy as a subset of digital literacy, and how it has evolved from a niche skill to an essential one. The students presented various situations, demonstrating how to stay safe online. An audio-visual Quiz was played to assess the audience's understanding of computers. They also presented a song emphasizing the importance of computers, following which a lively dance performance on a tech-themed song, emphasized the theme again. The Assembly also stressed on the significance of taking breaks from technology, to disconnect from the constant demands of work and social media. The students encouraged everyone to enhance social connections by unplugging, allowing time for deeper engagement in activities that promote social interaction. They suggested, through their own videos, to turn off devices for some time and spend quality moments with friends and family.



SPECIAL ASSEMBLY - GRADE III A



On 7th of December, the students of Grade III A presented their Special Assembly on the topic 'Indian Armed Forces Flag Day'. Through this Assembly, they touched upon the history and significance of the day. They presented a melodious song, accompanied by a video, which displayed the hardships the Armed Forces face in protecting our country, through every season the year.



To emphasize the importance of the day, a few students came to the stage and shared some facts about this day. The children then performed a Nukkad Natak to emphasize the selfless dedication and sacrifices of the Armed Forces, that make them the true heroes of our country. The street play was followed by an energetic and spirited dance that showcased the 'never give up' attitude of the Indian Armed Forces. The students also interviewed an ex-Army Officer, Colonel Amar Kanti Deb, who had served in the Army for 35 years. He awed the students with anecdotes and experiences he had had during his service. To encourage everyone to bounce back after every failure, and to never give up before obstacles, the students sang a patriotic song with fervour and enthusiasm. Throughout the programme, they performed with confidence and verve. The Assembly was successfully conducted and was appreciated by one and all.

SPECIAL ASSEMBLY - GRADE IV C



Every year on 3rd December, International Day of Persons with Disability is celebrated all around the world. This day emphasizes the importance of breaking down barriers and promoting accessibility for persons with disabilities in all areas, including education, employment, transportation, and social activities. The students of Class IV C presented their Special Assembly highlighting the importance of this day, on 5th of December. They presented a skit called 'Flipped Classroom'. The children had done a lot of research to gather information on the theme. They talked at length on the importance and history of this day, and also spoke about a few famous personalities who had suffered with a disability, but had never given up on the better aspects of life. Through their presentation, they wanted to portray that life was much bigger than mere physical disabilities, and the true strength and potential of every human being lies within. Going ahead, the students showed a short video in which they presented various devices that they would like to create for the differently abled people in the future. They also presented a graceful dance on the same theme. The Assembly ended with a motivational poem. The Assembly was very heart-warming and highlighted the positive values of the Kalyaniites.



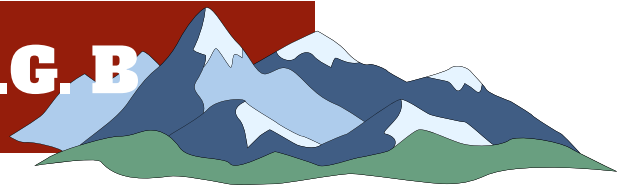
SPECIAL ASSEMBLY - GRADE VI D



The students from Grade VI D presented their Special Assembly, on 12th of December, on 'Human Rights'. Human rights are a set of principles concerned with equality and fairness. They recognise our freedom to make choices about our lives and to develop our potential as human beings. Human Rights Day is observed by the international community every year on 10th December. The Assembly started with an introduction to the topic and a welcome note. Through a short Nukkad Natak, they tried to spread awareness about Human Rights. They drew the attention of the audience towards the 'Right to Education', 'Right to Social Equality' and 'Right to Nutrition'. It was followed by a song 'Human Rights, Your Most Useful Instruments', which highlighted the needs and importance of Human Rights. They also presented an energetic and well choreographed dance performance emphasizing the theme.



SPECIAL ASSEMBLY - JR. K.G. B



The children of Jr. KG B conducted a Special Assembly on World Mountain Day, on 9th of December. International Mountain Day is celebrated annually on 11th of December, to create an awareness about the importance of mountains in our lives, to highlight the opportunities and constraints in mountain development, and to build alliances that will bring positive changes to mountain people and environments around the world. The children elaborated on the theme through a short skit. They were divided into two groups – the mountains and the sea, who had a debate on who was most important – the water or the mountains. The two finally came to the conclusion that both were equally important and could not do without each other. This was followed by a graceful Pahadi dance and a song, 'I Love the Mountains, I Love the Sea'. At the end, the students also conducted a little quiz for their parents. The parents enjoyed the Assembly thoroughly and were impressed by the participation of their children.



SPECIAL ASSEMBLY - JR. K.G. C



The students of Grade Jr. KG C presented their Special Assembly on 'World Disney Day' on 5th of December. Walt Disney Day has been designed in order to celebrate this incredible man who has brought love, friendship, and happiness to children all around the world. They took the audience through Walt Disney's journey of making animated characters and movies. They highlighted why the characters became everyone's favourite, through a skit where various Disney characters came alive. They also presented the Hot Dog song and danced to its tune. The Assembly ended with a Quiz on Walt Disney's movies and characters. Even the adults in the audience enjoyed the event thoroughly because it reminded them of the wonders of childhood. It was a well presented and appreciated Assembly and the little ones were praised for their confident performances.



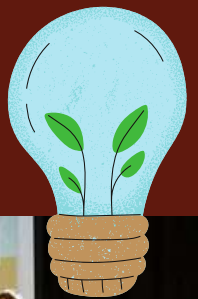
SPECIAL ASSEMBLY - GRADE VI C



On 5th of December, the students of Grade VI C held a Special Assembly, on 'Indian Navy Day.' They shared some absorbing facts about the Indian Navy. This was followed by a skit titled 'Sailing Dreams', which portrayed the stories of dedicated students, who aspire to join the Armed Forces. The skit depicted their perseverance through failures; their diligent efforts to clear entrance exams, their success and entry into the Indian Navy Academy. A dance performance to the 'Navy Anthem', was one of the highlights of the programme. Earlier, the students had composed a song 'India's Pride', which they performed at the Assembly, with a captivating musical band; it showcased their musical talents. After this, the students acknowledged Gallantry Award winners, and featured a compelling video highlighting Indian Navy operations. Captain Keshav Tripathi, a retired officer from the Indian Navy, graced the Assembly and imparted valuable insights from his experience as a Navy Officer. He provided guidance to today's youth, who want to join the Armed Forces. Captain Tripathi emphasized the merits of pursuing a career in the field, and highlighted the positive aspects of serving the country as a soldier. His presence added a meaningful perspective to the Assembly. This inspired the students to consider the noble path of a military career.



SPECIAL ASSEMBLY - GRADE III B



On 14th of December, the students of Grade III B conducted their Special Assembly on Energy Conservation Day, which is an annual observance held in December every year, to promote awareness towards responsible and sustainable energy consumption. The objective of the Assembly was to serve as a reminder of the importance of conserving energy resources and the need for individuals, communities, and nations to take steps to reduce their energy consumption, and to mitigate the environmental impact of excessive energy use, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and ensure a sustainable and secure energy future. The students presented a skit and shared the environmental initiatives and projects that have successfully reduced energy consumption. The examples showcased the diversity of approaches made in different sectors, from buildings and transportation, to industrial processes and renewable energy integration. This was followed by the choir. They also performed a dance showing the importance of the five elements of nature. The Assembly was an eye opener, and the audience went home with rich values as takeaways.



LEARNING FOR TEACHERS



On 19th of December, the Coordinators, Neesha Ma'am, Jasleen Ma'am and Manisha ma'am, attended a workshop on NCF for the Foundational stage-teaching, learning and assessments. The programme was conducted by Dr. Anahita Lee.

The session was a recap for the Core Team, since in TKS, they are already following the latest guidelines of CBSE. Anahita Ma'am spoke about Panchkosha Vikas and its domains of development - Social & Emotional Wellbeing; Physical & Health Wellbeing; Cognitive; Language & Communication; and Aesthetic & Cultural Development. The session gave clarity on various areas which will help the attendees to plan better with their respective team of teachers. Keeping all the domains prescribed by the Board in mind, is always helpful for the holistic development of each child. As the workshop was organised by Harper Collins Publications, they showcased their set of books, which will be found in the school Library, for the teachers and students to refer to.



TKS ALUMNI MEET - 2023



The third Alumni Meet of The Kalyani School was conducted in the school MPH, on 20th of December. The day was tinged with both nostalgia and excitement, as the Alumni once again stepped into the school premises, where they had spent a considerable amount of time as students - happy and safe. The former graduates from various batches, who are now engaged in pursuing their Bachelor courses or other fields of interest, fondly reminisced about the times they spent together, in school, with their peers and facilitators. Their humorous and heartfelt anecdotes fostered a sense of camaraderie and warmth. It was a platform where the Alumni had the opportunity to network, reconnect and relax. The candid recounts of varied experiences they have had after passing out, gave the senior school students a fair knowledge of what they can expect and also, how to deal with life beyond school. There were various discussions, which provided a platform for sharing experiences, insights, and thoughts on current trends and future prospects. A range of cultural programmes were conducted in honour of the Alumni, who were deeply moved by the recognition, given by their peers and teachers, and promised to keep in touch with the school and their junior batches, regularly in the future.



SCHOOL ELECTION AND INVESTITURE CEREMONY

The Kalyani School conducted its 9th Investiture Ceremony on 22nd of December, to felicitate the new Student Council.

The procedure began with the campaigning of the nominees on 13th of November for the posts of School Captains and Vice-Captains. The candidates from the four Houses campaigned before the students of their respective Houses, in stipulated venues. Following this, on 14th of December, a fair and seamless online election was conducted, and on the 15th, the results were declared.



The Head Boy, Head Girl, the Sports Captains, Cultural Head and Social Initiatives Head, and the Prefects, were selected by the School Management and Core Team, keeping in consideration the academic and co-curricular performances of the candidates, and their code of conduct, during the last academic year. They were interviewed on two levels and the most suitable candidates were unanimously decided. Their names were also declared with those of the new House leaders.



The previous SCMs had done an exemplary job by maintaining the high standards of the school in the past academic year, and worked in tandem with the teachers to ensure the seamless management of every event in school. To acknowledge their sincere and diligent contributions, Principal, Mrs. Nirmal Waddan felicitated the erstwhile SCMs with a letter of appreciation.



“Voting is the expression of our commitment to ourselves, one another, this country, and this world.”

-Sharon Salzberg

SCHOOL ELECTION AND INVESTITURE CEREMONY

The solemn programme, to invest the new leaders with their mantle of responsibility, was conducted at the Centre for Performing Arts, on 19th of December. The new SCMs pledged to do justice to the responsibilities bestowed on them, and always be unbiased and true to their roles, as they accepted the School Flag and Sports Flag from the authorities.

The entire procedure, of campaigning, voting and the swearing-in ceremony, was conducted, like every year, following the same technique, as followed in our sovereign nation. The objective was not only to elect a body of school leaders, but also, to give the students a glimpse of the real election machinery of our country. The lessons they have learnt from it, will be significant in understanding their roles and responsibilities as Indians, when they grow up.



We congratulate the Members of the School Council 2024-25. May they take the school from power to power!!

Head Boy - Anish Gangavaram
Head Girl - Prerna Karthik

Sports Captain (Boy) - Kanwal Barne
Sports Captain (Girl) - Urvi Jain

Cultural Head - Kanak Roopchandani
Social Initiatives Head - Tanishca Diwan

Prefects:
Labonyo Banerjee
Ishan Muzumdar
Drishti Agarwal
Vidushi Chouksey

Godavari House:
Captain (Boy) - Ritwik Mundhra
Captain (Girl) - Anahita Bhandari
Vice-Captain (Boy) - Suvir Arora
Vice-Captain (Girl) - Saura Nayar

Krishna House:
Captain (Boy) - Sharav Narang
Captain (Girl) - Ahana Bandopadhyay
Vice-Captain (Boy) - Aadhyant Bhargava
Vice-Captain (Girl) - Nayanika Negi

Sahyadri House:
Captain (Boy) - Arav Gaglani
Captain (Girl) - Avni Gujare
Vice-Captain (Boy) - Devansh Jobanputra
Vice-Captain (Girl) - Avni Kharde

Koyna House:
Captain (Boy) - Rishit Malik
Captain (Girl) - Sharanya Ray
Vice-Captain (Boy) - Mayan Sreedharan
Vice-Captain (Girl) - Siya Santosh

The first responsibility of a leader is to define reality. The last is to say thank you. In between, the leader is a servant. —Max DePree

SCHOOL ELECTION AND INVESTITURE CEREMONY



WE WENT MAD ABOUT INDIA

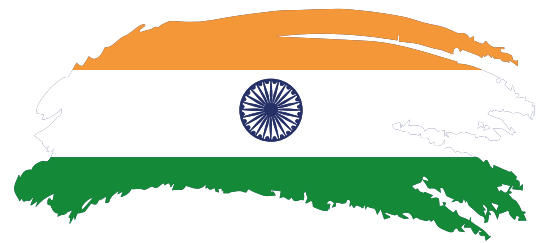


On the last working day before the school breaks for the winter holidays, The Kalyani School hosts their signature event, the most awaited 'Mad About...' series. This year, the Kalyaniites went 'Mad About India'. Right from the beginning of the year, as soon as the students were allotted the particular states they had to work on, they started with their preliminary research work. The teachers prepared a timeline, and keeping that in view, the projects took shape gradually, over the months.

The students of Grades Jr. K.G. till VIII, created models, charts, diagrams, prototypes and more, representing their assigned states. There were several classes too, in which the students engaged in discussions and debates, learning more every day, leading to the Grand Finale, on the 23rd of December. The students of Grades IX-XII, participated in a different way, but with equal zeal and enthusiasm. Instead of an exhibition, they organized stalls to sell food, artefacts and handicraft goods, representing their allotted states. The colourful display brightened up the school ground, and attracted numerous excited visitors. The most unique part of the entire initiative was that a part of the proceeds from the stalls, was donated eagerly by the students towards charity. This was an experiential learning, which helped them in understanding the value of money, and also gave them the satisfaction of knowing that they had made a difference in the lives of someone, who needed them.



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The cultural programmes designed for the event, added colour and verve to the day. The takeaways for the visitors and guests were significant, and they had only appreciation for the initiative taken by the school, to arrange the event. The students too had a very exciting day, learning, participating in the programmes and interacting with their peers. At the end of the day, it can be said that, the objective of 'Mad About India' was well met, justifying all the efforts and time invested in it.



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"India is the cradle of the human race, the birthplace of human speech, the mother of history, the grandmother of legend, and the great grand mother of tradition. Our most valuable and most artistic materials in the history of man are treasured up in India only!"

-Mark Twain

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