

HOLI CRAFT AND MAKING OF HERBAL COLOURS

November'17 – March '18

The object of this fun activity was to orient the children about the significance of 'Holi' and develop a sense of appreciation in them for the festival and the values attached to it. The activity also taught them to prepare herbal colours and understand why such colours are safer to play with.

As we know, Holi is celebrated across northern India with a lot of enthusiasm and happiness. Popularly known as the Festival of Colour, Holi is a great favourite with children and adults alike!

Little pre-schoolers enjoyed celebrating the festival with a colourful craft activity- 'Pichkari-making' where they used marigold flowers to imprint colours like red, yellow, green, pink, blue, on cut-outs of pichkaris. When done, they pasted lengths of colourful ribbon on the top to give the impression of colours splashing from the spout of the pichkaris! Inevitably the delighted faces of the little artists was undiluted!



Inter-House Spell Bee competition @ The Foundation School



An inter-house Spell Bee was organised for all classes in December 2017 in the School auditorium. The competition gave students a platform to learn spellings in different ways. It not only helped students quickly strengthen their spellings, but also increase their vocabulary, learn new concepts, and develop the use of correct English. It also taught teamwork and ingrained a spirit of healthy competition. Several rounds were conducted to test their spelling skill.

It was quite a competition and even the audience participated enthusiastically! The score board declared the scores- there was a tie between Venus House and Mars House. But lo and behold, Venus clinched the tie breaker and emerged winner followed by Mars at second position. Saturn House came third and Jupiter House took the last position.

Mystery Skype

On 17th November 2017, students of classes 2,3, 4 and 5 took part in a video conferencing session titled Mystery Skype. It is a challenge where both schools attempt to assess the other's location (country) based upon a set of questions framed to help arrive at an accurate assessment. The race is to be the one to guess first!

The students guess each other's location using a 'yes' or 'no' question format and an atlas. This time the session was organised by a school in Skydra, Greece.



Highlights>>>

- Inter-House Spell Bee competition
- Adventure Camp
- Christmas Carnival
- *Mathamagic Quiz*

Upcoming Events>>>

- Self Discovery Week
- Environment Week
- Pre- School Orientation
- Grand Parent Day
- Investiture Ceremony

MATHAMAGIC – Math Quiz



An inter-house math quiz, MATHAMAGIC was organised on 30th October 2015 for classes 1, 2 and 3 to assess the mathematical skills, proficiency and aptitude of the students. Students from all the 4 houses Jupiter, Venus, Mars and Saturn participated enthusiastically. The quiz was divided across 4 levels, level 1 for class1, level 2 for class 2, level 3 for class3 and level 4 for all classes together. All the rounds were keenly contested. The final round hogged the limelight as it challenged the in-depth knowledge of the students and was based on logical reasoning. Then came the turn of the eager audience- the prompt minds offered spontaneous answers with delightful alacrity! The competition was won by Jupiter house. The 2nd position was taken by Venus House. The 3rd and 4th positions were taken by Mars and Saturn Houses, respectively.

Lohri Celebration

11th January , 2018



Lohri, the harvest festival of Punjab, was celebrated by the Pre primary with a lot of enthusiasm and fervour. Pre school Sparrow presented a special assembly on the festival on January 11, 2018. The students spoke about the significance of this festival which hails the end of winter. Students dressed in their colourful attire matched steps to the beats of the dhol. The story of “Dulla Bhatti” was narrated by the class teacher. The assembly concluded with our Head Teacher appreciating the presentation. The popular folk song of the season was also joyously sung by the class. The next day, a bonfire was lit as an invocation. The assembly walked around the fire, offering puffed rice, peanuts and popcorn. The mood was uplifting as the flames crackled to break the chill of dusk.

Maskbook hosted a DIY mask-making workshop on 21st December '17 for the students. Over 50 students made masks at the workshop. The workshop could not have come at a better time as Delhi had been in the headlines of every major news publication. The toxic conditions in the capital led the Indian Medical Association to declare a public health emergency.

A beautifully designed upcycled mask using waste material was made by each student present at the workshop. The children created personalised masks with a message that they wanted to convey about the current air quality situation in their city.

Mask Making Workshop

21th December, 2017



*Class 6 students interview Area Councillor,
Mr. Abhishek Datt*

ADVENTURE CAMP

February, 2018



An adventure camp offers a unique outdoor experience. Keeping this in mind, our School, as customary each year, organised an Adventure Camp for all classes in February 2018. The camp aimed at giving the children not merely an exposure to the world of outdoor sport but also a chance to strengthen their physical skills. The entire field was transformed for the purpose. Various activities were enjoyed by the children. The children were triumphant when they completed each task. The day was a success and it was evident from the wide smile worn by every child who participated!

CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL

December, 2018



Come December and a festive spirit fills the year. The primary wing of The Foundation School celebrated the spirit of Christmas on 20th December, 2017 by inviting the children of Palna to join in their festivities. This was our first Christmas Carnival. The students were excited. The skating rink was decorated with balloons and streamers and Christmas messages all around. Students participated in the various inter house competitions.

The carnival was meticulously planned by the young students with the help of their teachers. In fact the games were independently organised by the children themselves, from hosting the games to acting Santa- it was all their effort. Saturn House stood first in the tree decoration, stocking decoration and sledge of wishes while Jupiter House stood first in the Santa face competition. The second position was secured by Venus, Mars, Jupiter and Saturn Houses respectively. The joy of the children knew no bounds when the children of Palna joined in the carnival. All the primary students enjoyed every bit of this feast, taking away from it the rich values of sharing and caring.

CHILDREN'S DAY CELEBRATION



PUPPET MAKING WORKSHOP



SAANJHI- FOLK FESTIVAL



The Foundation School participated in 'Saanjhi', an annual folk festival organised by Sardar Patel Vidyalaya on 8 December, 2017. The chief guest was Mr. Subrat Sinha, renowned script writer, lyricist and director of tv shows. The event was organised in 3 categories – storytelling, folk art and a folk music exposition. The group narrated and enacted a Gujarati folktale named 'Ballubhai – Shahi kanjoos'. The diverse dialects and intonations gave a flavour of the rich and varied cultural splendour of India. Participation in such events helps students understand the complex and the distinctive flavour of our cultural heritage and enables them to develop a sense of pride and belonging in the same. It was a brilliant, informative and entertaining day for our students.



Watery Water

By Tazneen
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“Water water everywhere but not a drop to drink”- these lines by the poet Coleridge in his famous poem, The Rime of the Ancient Mariner, are incredibly relevant in the context of the unprecedented water crisis facing humanity. Water which is 100% natural but 0% replaceable is very precious and it must not be wasted. Do you know the actual story behind this statement? 96% of all the water on earth is salt water and unfit for drinking or growing crops.

In January the world was shocked to hear about Cape Town in South Africa, where officials declared that taps would be turned off from April 22nd 2018 because there will be no water to deliver! Reports also say that Bengaluru, once the garden city of India, is among the 10 world cities in danger of running out of water supply! Nature has given us many divine gifts, of which, WATER is very vital for a man's survival. Without water, life is impossible on planet Earth. Human beings cannot live without water for more than 5 days.

We must learn to conserve water and use it judiciously. Most people waste water without realising that only 2% of all water is fit for drinking, cooking and other activities. People leave taps open, throw water filled in bottles, etc. As a result, 1,500 litres of water are wasted per minute all over the planet. All we can do is save water using various methods and techniques. One should avoid using the shower for a bath; instead bathe with water from a bucket.

Also, driveway, cars and sideways should not be washed using hose pipes but with a wet mop. One should be concerned and must stop and report all water leakages. Water used for washing vegetables, fruit, etc. should be reused to water plants or for cleaning floors, etc. Thus by recycling water, you conserve. Taps should not be left running while washing clothes, dishes, shaving or brushing teeth. etc.

Some practical ways of saving the rain water are by adopting two methods of rooftop rain water harvesting and drain water harvesting in colonies and housing societies. Also, water given off by ROs (Reverse Osmosis equipment) should be used for household activities. The United Nations Organisation observes 22 March each year as 'World Water Day' to spread awareness amongst the public to save water in order to save life itself.

It is rightly said that, “Save water while still you can because water is the most fundamental resource.” After all, our contributions are always valued. Every year, World Water Day is celebrated on 22 March worldwide in order to spread awareness among the people for CONSERVATION OF WATER. It is DEPLETING DAY-BY-DAY due to wastage which has caused a great crisis called the 'Water Crisis'.



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Thank You!