# Skillora Quest

# 8th Satyam January-February

### 2021-2022

"Be ready to fail 'cause only then you are ready to succeed." EFFORT'S BY: NUPUR GOYAL

CLASS TEACHER: MRS. AMITA NANDA







# Lohri

Lohri is celebrated with a bonfire. Traditionally about a week or two before the local teenage boys and girls start collecting the logs and twigs for Lohri bonfire, On the night of Lohri fire, people wear new clothes and gather around the bonfire to light it. People pray in front of the bonfire and put til, moongfali, and Chura as all these eatables are considered Lohri Prasad. Men and women go around singing and dancing, the traditional songs and Bhangra and Gidda, respectively. People greet each other, wishing Happy Lohri and spread the feeling of joy to their loved ones and neighbor.

# Republic Day

India celebrates the 26th of January as the Republic Day every year. The President of the country hoists the flag in New Delhi near the India Gate. This ceremony has many presentations, and the National Anthem is sung.

Republic Day is a national holiday, and it is celebrated like a national festival. The first Republic Day was dedicated in 1950. It was on this day that the Constitution of India was implemented for the first time.

On Republic Day, there is a Parade that takes place near India Gate in the country's Capital. In the Parade, all the states and union territories of India participate. Every year, there are guest speakers invited from different countries. It is all a part of the celebrations held on Republic Day.





I have pages.

People can read me.

I am not a book.

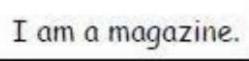
My name has three syllables and starts like monkey.

What am I?

I am made of plastic.

I am a cylinder.

You might want to use me to stick two pieces of paper together.
What am I?





I am a glue stick.



I am a person.

I have an office.

You might come to me if you're not feeling well.

Who am I?

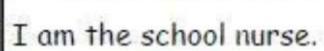
I am big enough to hold a lot of children.

I am often very noisy!

I have blinking red lights.

I have wheels and a horn.

What am I?



I am a school bus.



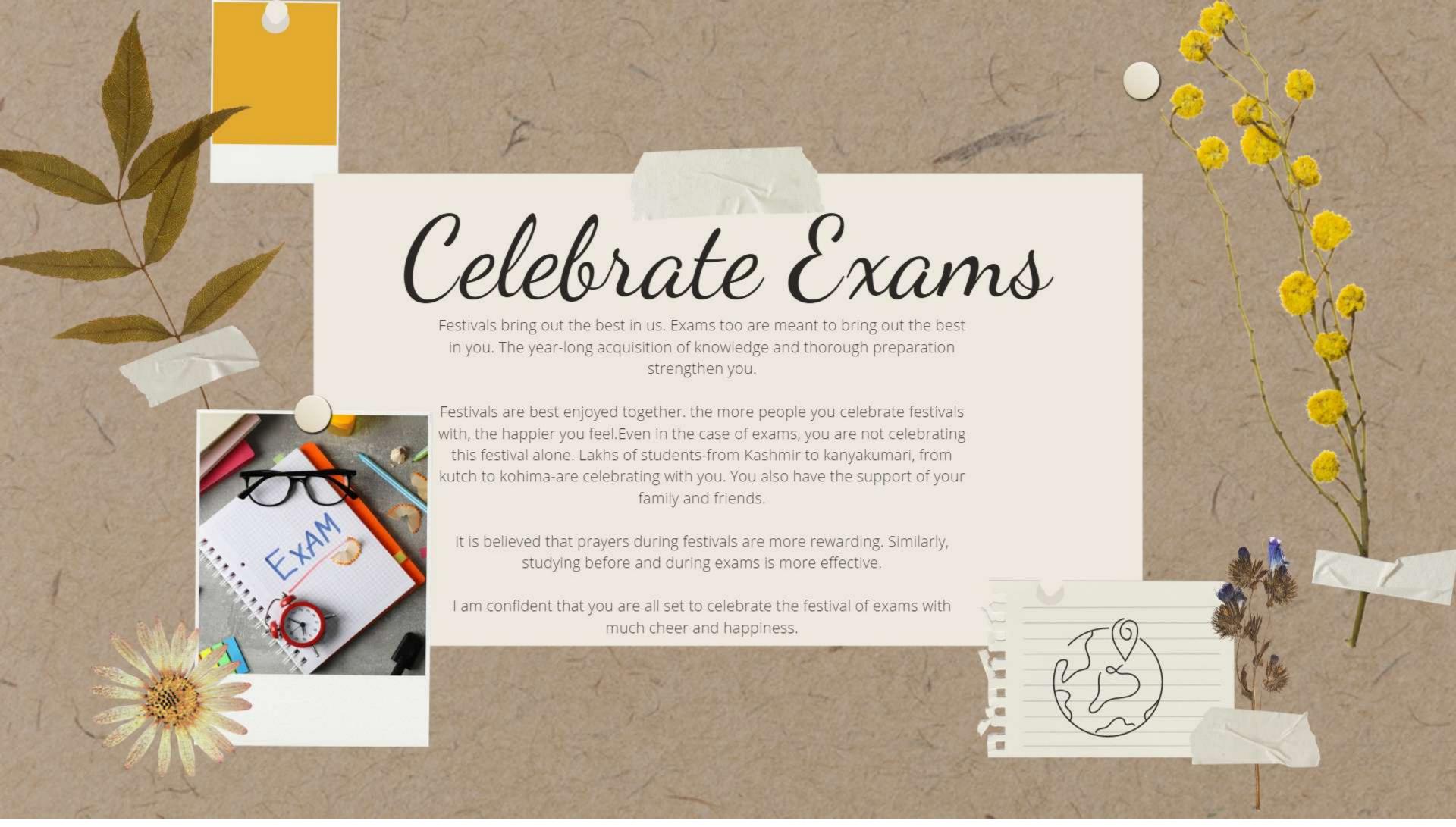




# Pongal

Throughout the year, India celebrates various festivals. Pongal is celebrated in the south part of India. It is mainly a harvest festival. A harvest festival is usually a festival that marks the growing and harvesting of new crops. In the case of Pongal, this is rice or sugar cane.

There are usually four days to the celebration of Pongal. The festival of Pongal marks not only happiness but also prosperity. Pongal harvest festivals exist in different parts of India. This shows the uniqueness of our activities connected by one single theme. Pongal is, therefore, a festival of much joy, hope, and happiness.



## SHIVAM'S MAGAZINE

Jan-February 2022

# A THOUGHTFUL MIND, WHEN IT SEES A NATION'S FLAG, SEES NOT THE FLAG, BUT THE NATION ITSELF



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Saksham
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# HARPILOHR

ਸੁਨਦਰ ਮੁਨਦਰੀਏ ...ਹੋ ਤੇਰਾ ਕੋਨ ਵਿਚਾਰਾ ...ਹੋ ਦੁਲਾ ਭਠੀ ਵਾਲਾ ... ਹੋ ਦੁਲੇ ਨੇ ਧੀ ਵਿਹਾਇ ...ਹੌ ਸੇਰ ਸ਼ਕਰ ਪਾਏ ...ਹੋ ਕੜੀ ਦਾ ਲਾਲ ਪਟਾਖਾ .ਹੋ ਕੁੜੀ ਦਾ ਸਾਲੂ ਪਾਟਾ ...ਹੋ ਸਾਲੁ ਕੋਨ ਸਮੇਟੇ!

ਚਾਚੇ ਚੁਰੀ ਕੁੱਟਿ! ਜ਼ਮਿਦਾਰਾ ਲੁੱਟਿ ਜ਼ਮੀਨਦਾਰ ਸੁਧਾਏ ਬਮ ਥਮ ਭੌਲੇ ਘਾਏ ਇਕ ਭੋੱਲਾ ਰਹਿ ਗਿਆ ਸਿਪਾਹਿ ਫੱੜਕੇ ਲੈ ਗਿਆ ਸਿਪਾਹਿ ਨੇ ਮਾਰੀ ਇੰਟ ਸਾਨੂ ਦੇਦੇ ਲੋਹੜੀ, ਤੇ ਤੇਰੀ ਜੀਵੇ ਜੋੜੀ

## VASANT PANCHAMI

तू स्वर की दाता हैं, तू ही वर्णों की ज्ञाता. तुझमे ही नवाते शीष, हे शारदा मां दे अपना आशीष ON THE FIFTH DAY OF SHUKLA PAKSHA IN THE MAGHA MONTH, VASANT PANCHAMI IS OBSERVED. IT IS BELIEVED THAT IT WAS ON THE DAY OF VASANT PANCHAMI THAT GODDESS SARASWATI APPEARED FROM THE MOUTH OF HER FATHER LORD BRAHMA TO SPREAD THE LIGHT OF ENLIGHTENMENT IN THE UNIVERSE. HENCE, SARASWATI PUJA IS HELD ON VASANT PANCHAMI WITH SPECIAL PRAYERS TO GODDESS OF WISDOM TO GRANT BOON OF ART, LITERATURE AND KNOWLEDGE. IT ALSO MARKS THE START OF PREPARATION FOR HOLIKA AND HOLI, WHICH TAKE PLACE FORTY DAYS LATER. THE STEADY END OF THE FREEZING WINTERS, AND GRADUAL ENTRANCE TO THE SPRINGTIME, THE ARRIVAL OF SPRING IS MARKED BY LUSH YELLOW-FLOWERED MUSTARD FIELDS ACROSS THE COUNTRY. YELLOW COLOUR HAS A GREAT SIGNIFICANCE IN THE CELEBRATION OF BASANT PANCHAMI. IT IS THE SYMBOL OF BLOSSOMING FLOWERS OF MUSTARD. HENCE GODDESS SARASWATI FOLLOWERS WEAR YELLOW ATTIRE AND PREPARE SWEETS WHICH ARE YELLOW AND SAFFRON IN COLOUR. STATUES OF SARASWATI ARE DECORATED WITH YELLOW SARI AND JEWELLERY IN MOST OF THE EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION AND WORSHIPPED. IN WEST BENGAL, COLOURFUL PROCESSIONS ARE HELD TO CARRY SARASWATI IDOLS AND IMMERSE IT IN THE HOLY RIVER GANGA. IN PUNJAB, THE FESTIVAL IS CELEBRATED BY FLYING COLOURFUL KITES. IN EASTERN REGIONS SUCH AS WEST BENGAL, BIHAR AND ODISHA, THE DAY IS MARKED AS SPECIAL SARASWATI PUJA. APART FROM INDIA, NEIGHBOURING NEPAL ALSO CELEBRATES VASANT PANCHAMI.

TO GO WITH THE MUSTARD FLOWER'S BLOOM,
LET'S FLAUNT OUR DRESSES IN YELLOW HUES,
WORSHIP GODDESS SARASWATI WITH ALL DIVINITY,
AND SHARE YELLOW SWEETS WITH ALL THE SWOON!
HAPPY VASANT PANCHAMI!

# ART CORNER









# SPRING SEASON

SPRING IS HERE, SAY BYE TO SNOW, SPRING IS HERE, SAY BYE TO SNOW, SPRING IS HERE, SEE THE FLOWERS GROW. LEAVES ARE GROWING, THE GRASS IS GREEN, LEAVES ARE GROWING, THE GRASS IS GREEN, IT'S THE TIME TO SOW THE CROP OF BEAN. FLOWERS NOW TEACH US TO SMILE; **NEVER TO BE SAD EVEN FOR A WHILE** 

CHILDREN ENJOY FLYING THE KITES; ALL AROUND OUR BEAUTIFUL SIGHTS. **SEEMINGLY GREEN AROUND;** THE BIRDS PRODUCE LOVELY SOUNDS. ITS FUN PLAYING WITH FELLOWS, **WEARING THE CLOTHES COLORED YELLOW** SPRING IS HERE, WE ALL KNOW FINALLY ITS TIME TO SAY BYE TO SNOW.

# BASANT PANCHAMI POEM

**CHAND KI LAYE KHABAR** SARDI KO DEDO VIDAYI **BASANT KI HAI RITU AYI** HAWA SAURABH LEKAR AYI PHULON NE JISE LUTAYI **BAAGON MAIN BAHAAR HAI** BHAVRON KI GUNJAR, TITTI KI BHARMAR

AASMAAN MAIN UDI PATANG
DHAAGAKA PAKDA SANG
TEJ HAWA KA KAAM NAHI
SHANT HAWA MEIN BAHI RAHI
DHEEMI MAND NAHI TEJ
TAARON TAK DIYE BHEJ



## VIII SUNDARAM School monthly magazine 2021-2022

For the month January and February

Class Teacher: - Aarti Gautam

By:-Arsh Singla Siddharth

तू स्वर की दाता है, तू ही वर्णों की जाता तुझमें ही नवाते शीष,

शीत ऋतु का देखों ये कैसा सुनहरा अंत हुआ हरियाली का मौसम है आया अब तो आरंभ बसंत हआ,

आसमान में खेल चल रहा देखो कितने रंगों का कितना मनोरम दृश्य बना है उड़ती हयी पतंगों का,

महके पीली सरसों खेतों में आमों पर बौर हैं आये द्र कहीं बागों में कोयल कृह-कृह कर गाये,

चमक रहा सूरज है नभ में मधुर पवन भी बहती है हर अंत नयी शुरुआत है हमसे ऋतु बसत ये कहती है,

नयी-नयी आशाओं ने है आकर हमारे मन को छुआ उड़ गए सारे संशय मन के उड़ा है जैसे ध्ध का ध्आ,

शीत ऋतु का देखों ये कैसा सुनँहरा अंत हुआ हरियाली का मौसम आया अब तो आरम्भ बसंत हुआ। - By Nahve Goyal



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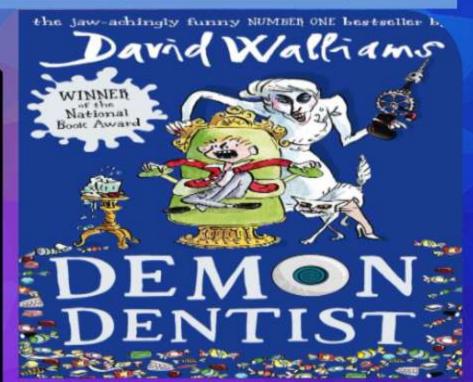
### That's the thing about books. They let you travel without moving your feet. A book review by Ashneet Kaur.

Book review.

Demon dentist

By David Williams

A twelve-year - old boy, Alfie hated going to the dentist. He lived with his dad and loved him a lot.Darkness had come to the town strange things were happening in the dead of night! Children would put a tooth under thein pillow for the tooth fairy, but in the morning they would wake up to find strange things beneath their pillow It had various characters like Miss Root a dentist, villain of the story. Winnie Gabz and Alfie, shown in the positive light. Other side charactens are Alfies's dad, Raj, Mr. Grey, Texting boy, Fang (ms. Roots's cat) etc.



#### REPUBLIC DAY OF INDIA 26TH JANUARY

he constitution of India and the transition of India from a British Dominion to a republic on January 26, 1950

#### Republic Day



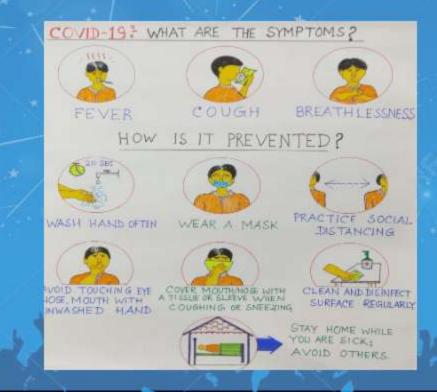
In India, Republic Day is celebrated every year on 26 January to commemorate the day our constitution took effect. When India gained Independence in 1947, it did not have a permanent written constitution, and its laws were based on an updated version of the british established government of India act 1935. The drafting committee for an Indian Constitution was formed by Dr.B.R. Ambedkar after a fortnight on August 29,1947. A celebration of Indian Independence Day IS observed on the 26th January in remembrance of the historic declaration of Indian Independence (Purna Swaraj) made by Indian National Congress (INC) in 1929.

By:- Pushkar Thakur

### Lets Celebrate the coming of new year



Health is important than celebration so let's stay safe and follow the following guideline By:- Shivansh Sharma



By:-Ridhima Bansal

#### Poem on Girl Child

Save our girls, They are also future of this world

A mother, a sister, a daughter; Let them also fly like a bird People don't let

her survive

When in this world she arrives No one is there to protect her Except her own mother

Soul of every men and boy
A reason behind their happiness and joy She is also
equal like boys

Just stop treating her like a toy
Save our girls, They are also future of this world
A mother, a sister, a daughter; Let them also fly like a bird

## BLOSSOMS

# **EDITION-V** 2022-2023

Without tasting the winter, you cannot get pleasure out of the spring! Spring is the ultimate genius of the existence and the utter ladder of the lovers ascending to the infinity. - Mehmet Murat Ildan

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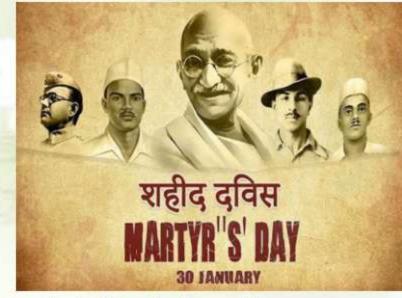
#### MARTYRS DAY

MARTYR'S DAY OR SHAHEED DIWAS 30TH JANUARY IS
OBSERVED AS SHAHEED DIWAS ANNUALLY TO MARK THE
DEATH ANNIVERSARY OF MAHATMA GANDHI. MARTYRS' DAY IS
ALSO KNOWN AS SHAHEED DIWAS AND IN INDIA, IT IS
CELEBRATED ON TWO DAYS NAMELY ON 30 JANUARY AND 23
MARCH, TO PAY HOMAGE TO THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS WHO
SACRIFICED THEIR LIVES FOR THE SAKE OF THEIR
MOTHERLAND...

THIS YEAR OUR CLASS CELEBRATED MARTYRS DAY THROUGH VIEWING VIDEOS ON INDEPENDENCE AND FREEDOM FIGHTERS AND LATER ON WENT ON A DISCUSSION ABOUT WHY MARTYRS DAY IS CELEBRATED AND WHAT ARE ITS IMPORTANCE EVERYONE ENJOYED THE VIDEO THOROUGHLY...



**BLOSSOMS** 



"It is blood alone that can pay the price of freedom."



#### **BASANT PANCHMI**

Basant Panchami falls on the fifth day of month of Magha according

to the Hindu Calendar. The name Basant Panchami marks the onset of the spring season in India and the festival is celebrated in different ways in different parts of the country. Basant Panchami also initiates the preparations of Holika as the festival of Holi follows 40 days after Basant Panchami. Bright flowers and lush green crops all around accompanied by sunshine set the stage for celebrations of this festival which generally starts with worshipping Goddess of Knowledge, Music & Wisdom – Maa Saraswati. Students, artists and people from different walks of life fast on this day to pay honor to the Goddess...





Celebrations of Basant Panchmi held on 5<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Clasping thorns to their bosom, In season spring flowers blossom.

It's green all around, The birds produce sweet sound.

Flowers teach us ever to smile, Never to be sad even for a while.

Never do they take to pricking, To the plant they keep sticking.

Children enjoy flying the kites, All around are beautiful sights.



BLOSSOMS Poem on Basant Panchmi by Mauli Chakraborty

Harnoor Sandhu



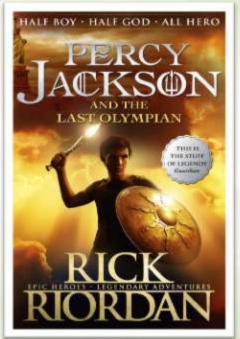
#### **BOOK REVIEW**

### PERCY JACKSON AND THE LAST OLYMPIAN

#### **BY- RICK RIORDAN**

The Last Olympian is a fantasy-adventure novel based on Greek mythology by Rick Riordan. It is the fifth and final novel of the Percy Jackson & the Olympians series. Inside Percy Jackson and the Last Olympian there is a vast and complex mystery of the great prophecy. The story starts from here the last book left us, when Kronos the titan lord had risen and wants to take revenge from his children who overthrew him. In this book, Percy is 16 and finally finds out what the ancient prophecy surrounding him is. The prophecy states that Percy would be the reason of either the fall or salvation of Olympus. Rick Riordan manages to write humour even in the darkest times within the story. A story that made me want to read it every second of the day. An amazing story with the underlying question, who is the last Olympian? It was anticipated by readers that it would come down to the war between Kronos and the demigods. With war explained in detail, this book is a perfect ending to the series. The characters in the series are very well developed, the reader of the story is easily able to connect with them. In the end I would like to give this book a rating of 5/5.







### EXAM ANXIETY

While it's completely normal to feel a bit nervous between test, some students find test anxiety debilitating. Racing moughts, inability to concentrate, or feelings of dread can combine with physical symptoms like a fast heartbeat, headache, or nausea.



### WAYS TO OVERCOME THIS

- ➤Be prepared.
- ➤ Get a good night's sleep.
- >Have a positive mental attitude
- ➤ Watch the clock
- Focus on calm breathing and positive thoughts.





Ameerah Arshad

BLOSSOMS

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### FROM THE DESK OF THE EDITORIAL BOARD

Namaste Everyone!

We are delighted to announce the accomplishment of the last edition of the magazine (2021-22)!!!

This humble initiative is to make the budding talents noticed and give shape to their creativity and to allow their minds to explore the realms of imagination and escapade to frame a world of beauty in words. The enthusiastic write ups of our fellow mates are indubitably sufficient to hold the attention and admiration of you readers. We have aimed from the start to unleash the beauty of creativity in front of you and God willing, will continue to do so. There were times when we felt hopeless, did not receive enough contributions and were out of ideas, but we bounced back reminiscing the shine in each of your eyes and smiles on each of your faces when you'll read something which would make your day even 1% better. And that, there was our motive. The learning of teamwork came into picture when we 5 editors worked together to achieve the feat of the completion of this year's last magazine. We are full of gratitude for that:)

We are thankful to Ms. Shilpi Sharma who along with us dipped her oars into the turbulent waters of the journal and have sailed to its shore of the last publication.

We heartily wish all the readers our best wishes and hope that this last edition enjoys your critical acclaim and prove itself to give a glimpse of our journey throughout.

Happy Reading!!!

Editorial Board

VIII Sangam

### From The Desk Of The Guiding light

Great is the art of beginning, but greater is the art of ending.'

#### Dear students

Here we come to the end of this another challenging year. The session was a topsy turvy ride. We have been striving for digital excellence for past two years. I truly hope next year will be just like old golden times. Expecting it to be exciting, enriching and enjoyable. Kindle new energies and begin this new academic session with a positive mindset & commitment.



### Our Chythmic Journey Of CEmotions

Bag of bones and muscles striving each day

Often with closed eyes and a mum mouth, I wonder over and over again, What are we anyways?

Just bags of muscle and bones striving each day

My eyes long for sleep as I ponder upon this never ending spiral, That perfect body with spotless skin, Isn't it what all of us desire?

That pimple on my cheek,
My waist appearing not so sleek
Am I not doing the correct skin care
Or is it just an effect of my despair

They say they are all insecurities

When they themselves obsess on these irreplaceabilities,

Why is it anyway?

At the end of the day we are all bags of bone and muscle striving each day

Invading my thoughts over and over yet again
I finally found the reason behind this strain
Fear of not being enough
Isn't it what is dragging you too into this gulf?

Sure it is , isn't it ?
But why so pain , why is there a sense of self doubt
Aren't we gonna all die one day ?
Who'll remember the makeup we wore or the body we had

All they'll ever talk about will be who we were But what are we anyway? Bags of bones and muscles striving each day.

### The Episode That It Was

Dear Diary,
This session was just like the previous one but a bit better. Class 8 is a very vital stage as it is the stepping stone to the coming crucial years. Unlike any other batch, we attended the first half of this session online and the latter half of the session in blended mode. When we came to know that the school was reopening for the students of class 3-8, we were super-duper excited-to meet friends, new teachers and to feel our new classroom. With our masks on, we continued in-person classes and also attempted

our new classroom. With our masks on, we continued in-person classes and also attempted the Unit-2 Examinations. We participated in 2 functions as well which were super joy. After the Winter break, we were again excited to go to school, never like before. But the third wave for Covid was on its way, waiting for negligence of people against the protocols. We waited till Thirteenth February and...Bravo! School reopened on 14th February 2022 again. And today here we are spending the last week of our class 8. Revisions, activities, fun and masks, sanitizers. We are now all set to appear for the annual exams with full zeal and honesty. So, this was our grade-8 journey; full of ups and downs and numerous challenges. But fun, wasn't it?!

> Signing off! Nehal Khurana

It was 4th February Friday when our teacher announced that the school will be conducting a special assembly celebrating Basant Panchmi. We were informed to participate open heartedly and make the assembly joyful ,my mom read the message and encouraged me to perform a song on Basant Panchmi . I admit I was a bit hesitant to perform but then I thought there is no harm to it so I agreed and informed my teacher that I will be performing I hadn't thought of song yet so after informing my teacher I along with my mom started surfing through internet to find a nice song and the song that stood out was He Sharde Maa I started practising the song it was 80'clock by now and I had done the preparation to perform the song then I realized that it was one of our school's prayer too and there were possibilities of this prayer to be played in tomorrow's assembly so I thought to prepare a back up song of Saraswati Amritwani after preparing I went to bed and just hoped it wasn't He Sharde Maa to be played tomorrow when I woke up I practised both of the song and joined the assembly and as suspected he Sharde Maa was the prayer played so I panicked a bit but to add more to this I was announced first one to perform as my name was announced I quickly setup my system and sang along with the song as a karaoke was not available for the Saraswati Amritwani during my performance I forgot some words in between but at last all went well and after that I enjoyed the rest of the assembly I was very amazed by what other students were performing once the assembly was over I was very excited to show the recording to my parents as they were not at home during my performance they did praise me but could not stop themselves from chuckling at my face whenever I realized I was forgetting lines during performance, at the end of the day it was a very good and memorable experience, it will give me more confidence to perform next time such event is conducted.

#### QUIZ AKENA

Every year 28 February is celebrated as National Science Day (NSD) to commemorate the discovery of the 'Raman Effect'. So, let's answer these 5 simple questions to boost your science skills.

Q1: Approximately how much time does light take to travel from Sun to Earth?

- 1.20 minutes 25 seconds
- 2.1 hour
- 3.8 minutes 20 seconds
- 4.3 days
- Q2: Which type of star is the sun?
- 1.Supernova
- 2. Hypernova
- 3.Red Giant
- 4.Red Super Giant
- Q3: Cell was discovered by
- 1.Robert Brown
- 2.Robert Hooke
- 3.John Mendal
- 4.Rudolf Virchow

Q4: Electroplating is based on effect of electricity.

- 1.Magnetic
- 2.Heating
- 3.Chemical
- 4.Physical

Q5: Initially girls grow \_\_\_\_\_ than boys.

- 1.Faster
- 2.Slower
- 3.Equal
- 4. None of these

-Nishtha Garg

1.I am tall when I'm young and I'm short when I'm old, what am I?

Ans- A candle

2. What is always in front of you but you cannot see?

Ans- The Future

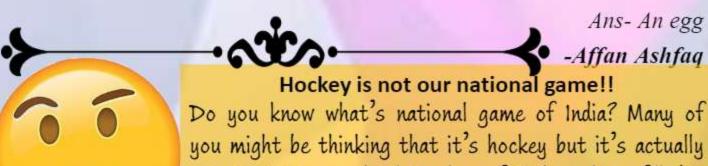
3. What has neck but no head?

Ans- A bottle

4.It starts with 'P', ends with 'E' and has thousands of letters in it. What is it?

Ans- Post Office

5.It gets whipped and beaten, but it never cries. What is it?



Do you know what's national game of India? Many of you might be thinking that it's hockey but it's actually not. In 2020, a school teacher of Maharashtra filled a RTI to the government asking in which year was hockey declared National sports of India. The ministry of youth and sports affair said that the government has never declared a game as a national game because the work of government is to equally promote and encourage every sport.

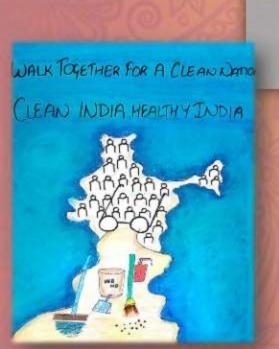
# Jab Rang Uthaye Aawaz



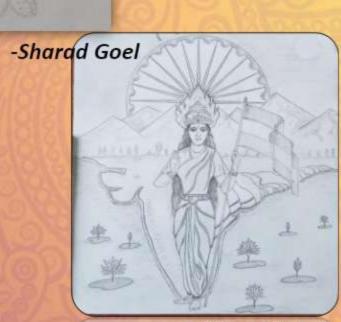
-Nehal Khurana



-Kashvi Gar



-Nitya Anand



-Vrinda Salaria