



School News, Events And Updates



This month, Grade 5 had a lot of events going on, from exploring the Global Campus to initiating the process of PYPX!

GLOBAL CAMPUS

The Creative Writing Competition was launched with the topic 'Climate Change'. Many students had participated. The Story-a-thon was fun and helped develop our creative and thinking skills. It motivated us to read more and more books of different genres, and it improved our vocabulary a lot!

By Aryan Nadimpalli Grade 5

Words of Encouragement



Principal, Ms.Hema Chennupaty

Congratulations on the wonderful initiative and effort of the young students. Very happy to see our young learner's taking the lead in expressing their views and sharing great ideas. We at Oakridge want our children to be aware of and address the issues they see around them and also walk the talk. In this regard, sharing their views with the rest of the community is the first step. So kudos to the team and best wishes for future editions as well.

Little small efforts taken in right directions with right intentions, results in big leaps. My hearty Congratulations to our young learners for believing in themselves and making their contributions. This newsletter represents the enthusiasm, appreciation of diversity, open-mindedness, diligence & zeal to do great things. My best wishes for this initiative to become a platform for student agency.

Head of PYP, Ms. Jasjit Ahluwalia





Traditions, Culture and Celebrations

25th December : Christmas

Christmas! it's an amazing day filled with wonder, presents and joy! There is nothing more delightful than waking up to find brightly wrapped presents under the Christmas tree. Everywhere you go on Christmas day there will be thousands of people chattering away and singing carols. You'll also be able to pick up the strong scent of delicious treats from everywhere. But the best part is seeing your community decorated with bright lights all over the place! It's like looking at the sun! It all just keeps adding to the Christmas spirit. And the funniest part is seeing people dressed in Santa Claus's bright red costume saying 'Ho Ho Ho' very loudly and kids shrieking with laughter and getting tears in their eyes. It's the funniest thing to see an adult like that but it's also the funniest thing for adults to see their usually naughty child suddenly being nice and well behaved. But kids would even sell their house so long as they get presents. The games, the fun, the presents. Oh, it's all too much to take! But my favourite part of Christmas is spending time with my family. Not too much of course then it would feel like a million years! But still the best and most fun part! So you could say that Christmas is a day of magic.

By Tanishka
Grade 5

Multilingualism

मेरा प्यारा 'एस'

३ अक्टूबर का वो न भूल सकने वाला दिन, वह दोपहर के कुछ बाद का समय था, जब मैं अपने घर गई तो एक कमाल का सरप्राइज मेरा इंतजार कर रहा था। डाइनिंग टेबल के ऊपर, हरे और सफेद रंग के लोहे के पिंजरे में दुनिया का सबसे प्यारा, अद्भुत और छोटा सा पक्षी रखा था जैसा मैंने कभी भी नहीं देखा था। उसके पंख और शरीर हरे रंग का था, नीले रंग के विंग टीप, पीले रंग की अंडरबेली और बेली पर लाल पंखों के दिल के आकार के रोएं के गुच्छे और लाल पूँछ के साथ इसका सांवला सिर, बेहद अद्भुत लग रहा था। मेरे पास आज अपना एक पालतू पक्षी था। (पहले कुछ मछलियां थीं जो कि बोरिंग थीं।) वो मूर्ति की तरह स्थिर थी, भरपूर रोयेंदार और अपने पंख पर शांति से बैठी थी। मुझे पता चला कि वो एक conure थी, जो कि लवबर्ड फैमिली की ही एक टाइप होती है। कुछ घंटों बाद उसके ऊपर चढ़ने और फ्लिप करने का टैलेंट दिखना शुरू हो गया और मैंने इसीलिए उसका नाम 'एस' रखा। शाम को मैंने उस कमरे से शोर की आवाज सुनी जिसमें 'एस' को रखा था। मैं दौड़ कर वहाँ गई तो मैंने देखा कि 'एस' अपने पिंजरे के बाहर थी (जिसे शायद मैंने ही खुला छोड़ दिया था)। वो मजे से चीं-चीं करती हुई जमीन पर इधर-उधर घूम रही थी। लेकिन इसके बाद उसने दरवाजे के पीछे अपने लिए जगह ढूँढ निकाली। अब उसे दरवाजे के पीछे जाना बहुत पसंद है और साथ ही पूरे घर में हमारे पीछे घूमना भी, ठीक उसी तरह जैसा मैं सोचती हूँ कि अगर मेरे पास एक कुत्ता होता तो घूमता।

By Nainika Kumar
Grade 5



Budding Writers

THE NEED TO READ

I've got the need to read,
and it's filling me with greed,
For all the books,
look like hooks,
With enticing looks,
and adventures that you must
complete...

I've got the need to read,
and it's making me want to heed,
the luring spell, that the books have cast,
which I can't seem to repel.

I've got the need to read,
and it's filling me with greed,
For every character and their story,
From King Lear to crime novels gory,
I GOT THE NEED TO READ!

By Nainika Kumar
Grade 5

Wellbeing

In this lockdown, all or at least most of you are bored. Here are few tips to maintain your well-being.

- Take time to eat and chew slowly. It takes 20 minutes for the brain to tell the body that you are full.
- Eat more vegetables and fresh fruits.
- Eat more whole grains. Examples include oats, brown rice, whole-wheat pasta.
- Drink plenty of fluids (fluids are all liquids)
- Serve a variety of food.
- Yoga and exercise for healthy living

By Dhanush Dharanikota
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Perspectives

The Covid-19 pandemic has brought the whole world to a standstill and has led to the loss of human lives. Before Covid-19 I took up small things like hanging out with my friends but now I realized that it was wrong. But I think that is not the real problem. The real problem is people losing their lives. Kids, adults, old people, everyone! Covid-19 makes no exceptions. Is this nature's payback time to the world? I believe so. Do you know that the UN says that more covid-19 cases have been reported in the past for weeks than in the first six months of the pandemic because of antimicrobial resistance? And that people think that Co2 in the air has come down but the UN says it has not. Even in covid-19 times we humans are still ruining the world and it's time we listen to nature's plea and stop destroying the world. The way technology is developing, I thought we could control anything and everything but this pandemic proved that there is nothing above nature.

By Tanishka
Grade 5



Crafts, Experiments and Recipes

FUN EXPERIMENTS

In this lockdown, here is a fun experiment to work on.

How to make a long-lasting fairy jar?

Materials Required-

- Plastic Bottle
- Glycerin
- Hot Water
- Funnel
- Glitter
- Decorative Items-(Optional)
- 3 LED
- 1 Battery
- Soldering Iron

Procedure-

1. With the help of the funnel add glitter, glycerin and hot water in the plastic bottle. You can even add the small decorative items(optional).
2. Shake the bottle well.
3. Construct a series circuit on the bottle cap with the LED, battery, and soldering iron.
4. Connect them and you have your long-lasting jar!
5. In 4 easy steps, we created a long-lasting jar! You should try it at home as well...

Watch it here : <https://video.link/w/YJn7b>



Image by I Love Creativity via YouTube

Jokes and Riddles

RIDDLES

NOTE- The answers will come in the next newsletter. Make sure you read that too!

1) Find the missing numbers:

Can You solve this?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Lifebuoy} + \text{Lifebuoy} + \text{Lifebuoy} &= 30 \\ \text{Lifebuoy} + \text{Anchor} + \text{Anchor} &= 14 \\ \text{Lifebuoy} + \text{Star} + \text{Star} &= 16 \\ \text{Lifebuoy} + \text{Anchor} + \text{Star} &= ? \\ \text{Lifebuoy} + \text{Star} - \text{Anchor} &= ? \end{aligned}$$

<https://www.shutterstock.com/image-vector/children-matching-game-sea-symbolic-mathematical-1100113760>

- 2) A man dies of old age on his 25th birthday. How is this possible?
- 3) If seven people meet each other and each shakes hands only once with each of the others, how many handshakes will there have been?
- 4) Solve this Sudoku:

5	3		7				
6			1	9	5		
	9	8				6	
8			6				3
4			8	3			1
7			2				6
	6				2	8	
			4	1	9		
			8			7	9

Source: en.wikipedia.org

5) What is cut on a table but is never eaten?



Sports

Football

Football is a fun sport to some people but to some people it might be a serious sport and for me it is both. Records trace the history of football back to more than 2,000 years but England has been credited as having given birth to modern football.

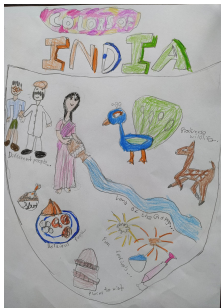
The first football club was formed in 1824 in Edinburgh by John Hope. Today there are clubs worth millions of dollars that rule the rich football leagues in Europe and South America. Barcelona, Chelsea, AC Milan, Paris St Germain, Bayern Munich River Plate and Boca Juniors are some of the most historical and famous football clubs in the world. Mohan Bagan and East Bengal are two of the biggest football clubs in India. "Nou Camp" in Barcelona is the biggest and best football stadium.

The best thing about football is that it is the only sport that is played by every country in the world – partly because it costs less to nothing to play football and also because it spreads a lot of joy and cheer equally, to those who play as well as to those who watch.

Over time many great players like Pele, Maradona, have come and gone. Presently Lionel Messi the top player. I love football because it teaches us about teamwork and work ethic. It is my dream to become a professional football player, one day.

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Art Gallery



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