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"Every Indian is special.
Every Indian is a VIP."

Prime Minister
Narendra Modi

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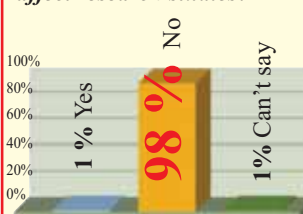
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Results as on April 22, 2016

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On cloud NINE

Youth Power, now in its ninth season carried forward the legacy of nurturing changemakers and touching lives

Bhawna Tuteja, GT Network

Event: YP 2016-17 Grand Finale

Venue: Amity University, Noida

Date: April 20, 2017

In attendance:

- Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools & RBEF
- Ms Divya Chauhan, Chairperson, ASFA, ASFT & ASPA
- Ms Jaishree Chauhan
- **Chief Guest:** Anubha Bhonsle, Executive Editor, CNN IBN
- **Jury members:** Neevita Narayan, Chief Audiologist & Director, Sphear Speech & Hearing Clinic; Chaurlekha Khandelwal, Developmental Therapist, AADI; Anupama Pandey, Documentation & Communication

Specialist, Mission Swaraj, NCT Govt of Delhi; Nandita Mahajan, Veteran Technology Leader & Social Activist
■ Principals of Amity International Schools & heads of other institutions

Through its NINE lives

Youth Power. Two words. A journey of a lifetime. A journey that culminated with the YP Grand Finale 2016-17 held at Amity University, Noida on April 20, 2017. The social leadership programme now in its ninth year, has created over 500 ethical leaders and sensitised 50,000 students.

A social leader in time, saves NINE...

...and the rest of the world too. Ten teams. Ten social causes. Ten unique journeys. A chosen team from Amity schools across Delhi/NCR along with AIS VKC Lucknow and AIS Jagdishpur undertook a social cause and worked for the same through the year viz conducting sensitising activities, organising fund raisers, creating awareness movies and so on.

NINE plus one is a perfect ten

The YP Grand Finale 2016-17 saw the ten teams showcase the work they had undertaken throughout the year. From speeches that were met with a thunderous applause to short films that left the audience speechless to creative acts that triggered goose bumps; the event sensitized, motivated and stood witness to standing ovations, several times over.

Success is falling NINE times, getting up ten

Having been through journeys that were nothing short of rollercoaster rides, replete with ups and downs, each team was a winner in its own right. But there was one that tasted a little more success and bagged the title of Youth Envoys 2016-17 – AIS Gurugram 43. The first runners up trophy was bagged by AIS Gurugram 46, followed by AIS Vasundhara 6 and AIS Noida on the third spot. AIS Pushp Vihar bagged Jury's Special Mention Award.

A mother carries you for NINE months

And so her heart swells with pride when she sees her child on the road to change. Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, a doting mother to over 35,000 Amitians, could be seen beaming with pride as she saw the torchbearers of the nation in her young Amitians. "I can confidently say that you are leaders of today, and not tomorrow" she shared on the occasion. "My Amitians are the best," she said, signing off.

Chief Guest



Anubha Bhonsle
Executive Editor, CNN-News 18

"A lot of us in the mainstream media are not doing our duties well, so it is incumbent on you, the youth to take up social issues. And I am so glad that you have taken up issues that need attention. I am so impressed with how well thought out these issues are in your head, how passionate you are about these issues and how well prepared you are for the same."

Mentor Teachers



Jury's Special Mention | AIS Pushp Vihar



Meet the Jury



Charulekha Khandelwal
Developmental Therapist,
AADI

"All the judges have had an extremely tough time judging the competition. Each of the participating team was brilliant. Youth Power is a wonderful initiative and I am glad that all the students have made the most of it."



Neevita Narayan
Director, Sphear Speech
& Hearing Clinic

"Youth has always been synonymous with power. I have started believing in this statement like never before after watching this show. Three cheers to Amity for giving the students such a wonderful platform."



Anupama Pandey
Comm Specialist, Mission
Swaraj, Govt. of Delhi

"The past three hours have been a great learning experience. I leave this show much enlightened than I was. Everyone sitting in this auditorium is a winner for the change they have ushered in."



Nandita Jain Mahajan
Veteran Technology
Leader & Social Activist

"The teams and their mentor teachers have spent a lot of effort in research, planning and implementing the activities. The results and changes including awareness generated speak for themselves."



1st Runner up | AIS Gur 46



2nd Runner up | Vas 6



2nd Runner up | Noida



Best Mentor Teacher
Sanyukta Priya, AIS Noida

The Winner Board

Best Research Strategy
AIS VKC Lucknow

Best Community Outreach
AIS Gurugram 46

Best Awareness Movie
AIS Pushp Vihar

Best Fund Raising Model
AIS Vasundhara 1

Best Creative Communication
AIS Vasundhara 6

Best Social Implementation
AIS Mayur Vihar

Best Social Media Engagement
AIS Gurugram 43

Best Panel Discussion
AIS Saket

Best Documentation
AIS Jagdishpur

Best Mentor Teacher
Sanyukta Priya, AIS Noida

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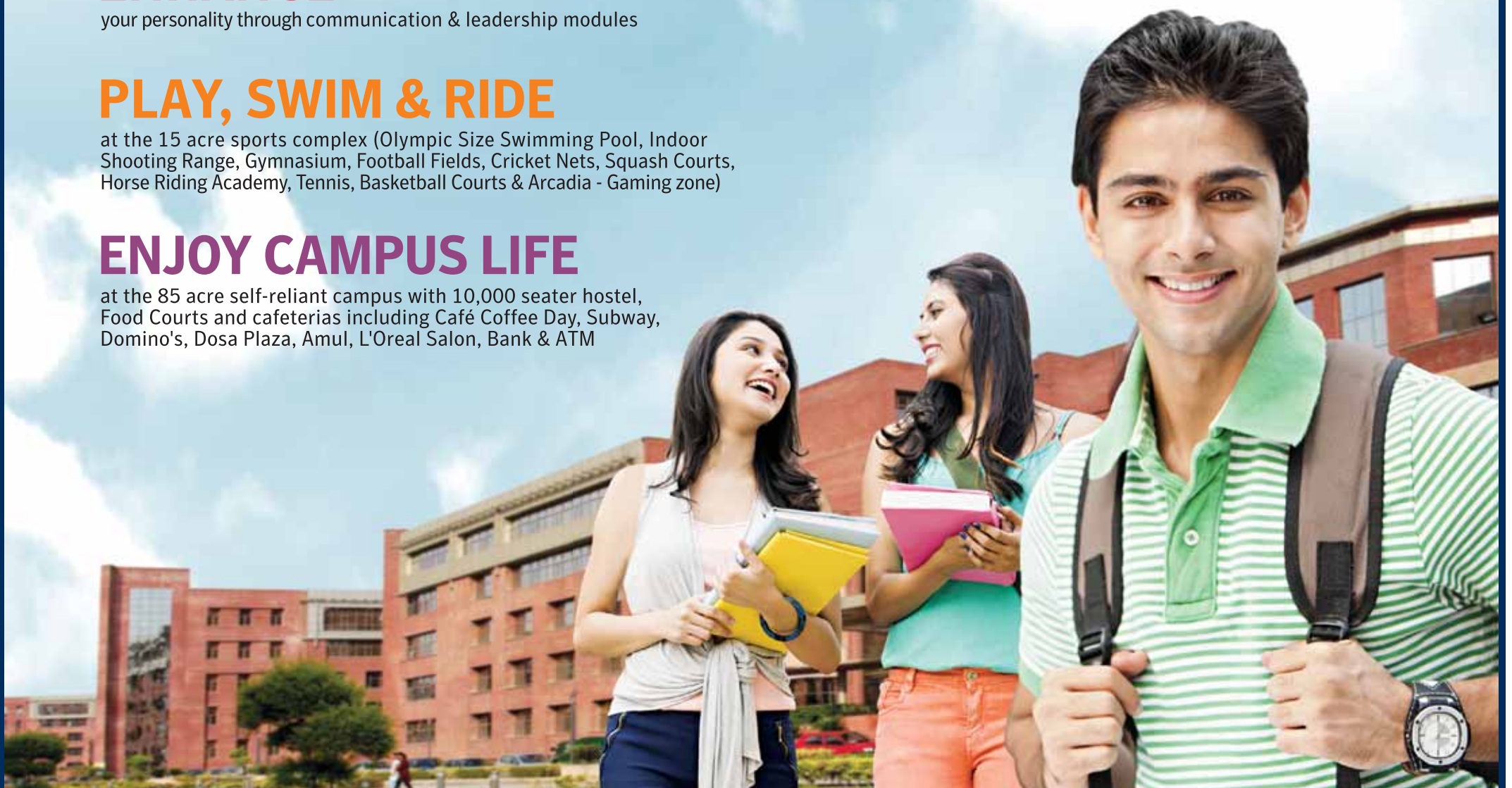
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(Fees subsidized by Amity Youth Foundation)

• Hostel Fees: Rs. 4,000/-
(including Breakfast/ Lunch/ Dinner)



Tulsi leaves can cure cough, cold, bronchitis and loss of appetite.



Amitasha girls learn the intricacies of photography

Looking through the camera lens

Amitasha girls learn to shoot a perfect picture at a photography workshop

ASCO, AUUP

Arushi Dayal, ASCO, AUUP & Aditya Sundaray, AUUP

Pixels, the Photography Club of Amity School of Communications, AU held a four day workshop on the basics of photography for the girls of Amitasha- a school for less privileged girl child- an initiative of Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools & RBEP, from March 20-23, 2017 at Amity Global School, Noida. The workshop aimed at teaching girls about the technicalities and traits that build up the aesthetic art of photography. In the first three days of the workshop, the Pixels team* apprised the children of

the various technical aspects of the camera and their significance. The primary features of the camera including the exposure triangle, giving an opportunity to the students to learn about ISO, aperture and shutter speed. After getting the basics, the kids were made to experiment on their own with some sports photography and jump shots. On the final day of the workshop, the photographs taken by the girls were reviewed by the Pixel team and the errors pointed out along with the ways to correct the same by the team. The workshop was enjoyed by the girls. **GT**
*Pixel team: Arushi Dayal, Aakriti Kundral, Abhishek Dey, Raghav Khunteta, Aarush, Ashish, Jayant, Sabin, Naman and Siddhant, Milan, guided by faculty coordinator Harshit Walia.



Art on scooter

Amity School of Fine Arts creatively showcased an art exhibition, giving wings to student's imagination and a platform to showcase their impeccable talent and skills



'Ziddi Dil' by Pavani Nagpal, ASFA

Zhiyuan Gou's Visit to India

On her recent visit, she experienced different facets of India and its culture

Amity Law School, Noida

Harish Nadda & Ekta Gupta
(Student & Faculty Coordinator, Parliament Visit)

Amity Law School accorded a warm welcome to Zhiyuan Gou, Professor Criminal Procedure Law Institute, College of Criminal Justice; Deputy Director, Centre for Criminal Law and Justice at China University of Political Science and Law (CUPL) in India on the occasion of its mega event 'Srijan' - A genesis of Indian Politics, an annual event by the Mock Parliament Society of Amity Law School, Noida. She was invited as one of the dignitaries on the release of the Srijan souvenir and the newsletter. Zhiyuan Gou was a part of BRICS and was invited to Amity University to deliver lectures on foreign exchange pro-

grammes for teachers and students. Her visit imparted a lot of knowledge among the students on various legal subjects. During her two weeks stay at Amity University, she visited various places including Akashardham, India Gate, Taj Mahal, National Museum, etc. The highlight of her stay in India was the visit to Parliament House where she had the opportunity to attend the 'question hour'. Hailing from China, where parliament was dissolved in 2005, she took keen interest in the proceedings of the house. She raised several queries trying to understand the Indian Parliament structure, its functioning and proceedings. The questions were drafted in the form of a questionnaire and promptly answered by Harish Nadda, student coordinator and Amit Sharma, Secretariat, Rajya Sabha. Dr Shefali Raizada, Addl. Dir. ALS and the entire ALS made a great effort to make her trip a memorable one. **GT**



Zhiyuan Gou along with student and faculty coordinators

Kreativ' 2017

Amity School of Fine Arts, AUUP

Aditya Sundaray, AUUP & Arushi Dayal, ASCO, AUUP

Kreativ' 17- the annual art exhibition organised by Amity School of Fine Arts (ASFA) was held at Amity University, Noida, UP from March 21-23, 2017. Welcoming the guests on the day of inauguration, Ms Divya Chauhan, Chairperson, ASFA, ASFT & ASPA said that platform such as 'Kreativ' provide the budding artists an opportunity to present their creativity along with an interface with the industry experts who guide the students to further hone their talents. She further stated, "Amity believes in promoting young talent. This year Amity organised an art exhibition by students of ASFA in India Art Fair and their works were well appreciated by the art connoisseurs." The three day exhibition, saw a wide array of artworks including landscape paintings, portraits, life drawings, figurative paintings, abstract paintings, pencil sketching, sculptures, installations, print ads, digital art, animation, photography, typography, graphic design and 3D animation presented by undergraduate and master students of various programmes under ASFA. Budding artists like Pavani Nagpal; B Sevasdas; Jai Vijay Singh Thakur; Safiya Khan, etc. have again presented artworks that are not only inspiring but also show the enhancement of creativity by the years.



Ms Divya Chauhan appreciates the artwork made by a student

Guest speaks

"It is important for an artist to be thoughtful of the work one is doing. Being creative is a difficult task as it requires a person to conceptualise an idea and then bring it in the form of real art".

Niren Sengupta , Renowned Artist

"The creative boundaries of different domains are blurring. The budding artists should not restrict their talent in a particular domain and explore other dimensions where their creativity could

be utilised".

Dr Pawan Jain, Swayam, Head, FICCI

"The quality of art exhibited is of incredible quality and at par with the work of experienced professional artists. This is especially true of women artists who never let their creative flame go down as many women artists soon give back seat to their talent with time and circumstances." **GT**

Dr Archana Garodia, ExPresident, FICCI

Amity Institute for Competitive Examinations

Presents



Brainleaks-204 FOR CLASS VI-VIII

Movement of cell against concentration gradient is called

- (a) Osmosis
- (b) Active Transport
- (c) Diffusion
- (d) Passive Transport

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3 correct entries win attractive prizes

Ans. Brainleaks 203: (A)

Winner for Brainleaks 203

- 1. Maitryi Gupta, VIII J, AIS Noida
- 2. Anchit Gupta, IX-C, AIS PV
- 3. Vaibhav Bhai, XI-AFYCP, AIS 46

Name:.....

Class:.....

School:.....

Send your answers to The Global Times, E-26, Defence Colony, New Delhi - 24 or e-mail your answer at brainleaks@theglobaltimes.in



Breathing their last

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We don't have a crystal ball, but if eyeing current trends, we can guess few things that will go down

Maansi Anand, AIS Vas 1, X

Remember the last time you purchased software on a disc, bought a CD in a store, sent a fax to a co-worker, or even asked for driving directions? Ten years ago, you probably did a lot of these things and perhaps never realised back then that the same things were breathing their last. Fast forward to 2030 and it will be déjà vu, courtesy the ever growing - 'Technology'. Here are some things that might be singing their swan song, for all we know.

Rear mirror goes rare?

108 years ago, the first Ford Model T rolled off and since then, evolution in car components hasn't stopped. Camera-and-display setups have become the new norm in high end cars. These systems offer a number of pros over the conventional purely mirror based system. Besides, the transition to driverless cars, with an increasing number of automatic cars, is already in full swing.

Autograph? What's that?

Signing on the last page of the notebook, pretending that it was a cheque is something all of us have done as kids. Too bad, the next generation might not indulge in this pastime for handwritten signatures, as soon signatures are going to be a thing of the past. Digital signatures are already commonplace and with the increasing use of biometric IDs, including iris, fingerprint, and voice recognition



system, one might not need to sign a paper in the near future.

Too remote to control

Remote control might just soon become a remote entity. It has been predicted that within the next 20 years, almost 1.76 billion devices would be connected by wearables to smart homes. Voice control commands are currently on the go with applications like Amazon Echo, but in the next 20 years, they may conveniently replace remote controls.

Driving away from the pen drive

The new cloud facilities like Apple, Box, Dropbox offering nearly free of cost unlimited storage capacity has resulted in the world slowly moving away from the USB sticks to cloud storages. As well in the next twenty years, the standard storage in mobile phones is expected to increase, thereby eliminating the dependence on any external storage.

Credit cards and travel documents

Extensive mobile and internet penetration has

served as the breeding grounds for digital wallets. In the next twenty years, soon plastic credit cards and physical travel documents like passports and visa would all be fed into our devices, and the strain of handling a billion documents would disappear. Soon we will be shopping without using credit cards physically, instead we will be making payments via mobile phones. More advanced and secure payment applications, similar to Paytm, FreeCharge and Citrus Wallet will become more promising players in the mobile wallet space.

Why do leaves change colours in fall?

Did you ever wonder how and why leaves change colour in fall season? Where do the reds and oranges come from?

Ananya Anand
AIS Gur 46, X

We all enjoy the colours of autumn leaves. The changing fall foliage never fails to surprise and delight us. As summer ends and autumn comes, the days get shorter and shorter. This is how the trees 'know' to begin getting ready for winter.

The process

Weather plays a major role behind the colour game of the leaves. Lack of light is the main reason why leaves change colour.

Food factory

Plants and trees make their own food, they turn water and carbon dioxide absorbed from soil and air into food and oxygen. Sunlight

and chlorophyll is used to make food. It is chlorophyll that gives leaves their green colour.

Winter is coming

During winter as there is not enough light or water for photosynthesis plants begin to shut down their food-making factories. The trees now rest, and live off the food they stored during the summer. The bright green fades away, and leaves turn into yellow and orange colours. Small amounts of these colours have been in the leaves all along. We just can't see them in the summer, because they are covered up by the green chlorophyll.

Red is the colour of fall

Soon the leaves turn red. The bright reds and purples we see in leaves are made mostly in the fall. The redness in the leaves comes from the food trapped in the

leaves. Eventually leaves turn into brown colour by the end of the fall season. This colour comes from the wastes left in the leaves.

It is the combination of all these things that the colours turn into beautiful hues of red, which we enjoy each year.

What Happens

1. Chlorophyll makes leaves green, absorbs sunlight and water to feed trees glucose.

2. Trees stop producing chlorophyll as days shorten, exposing yellow and orange pigments.

3. Veins connecting leaves to trees start to close, trapping sugar in some leaves and creating brilliant reds.





Neem works as a sedative and cures analgesic, epilepsy and hypertension.

Pados wali aunty

From flooding us with unsolicited advice to parading with their Louis Vuittons, these aunties do everything to make our lives miserable. And yet life without them would be plain salt and pepper

Kanika Sharma, AIS PV, XI

Living in India comes with certain implications. For instance the - “pados wali aunty”. Some of them have actually become a BIG part of our daily lives and have even left an indelible mark on our growing years. Here’s to the many “Aunty’s” we all know and come across every day!

Chit-chat aunty

May it be news about who bought a new car or about who uses the cheapest cooking oil, aunties remain updated about everything, literally everything there is to know about the colony. In fact, even journalists praise their investigative skills. Without even your asking for it, she will drop a whisper to ear “Kya tumhe pata hai, sharma ji ka beta firse fail hogaya...!”

Matchmaker aunty

She takes her profession very seriously, and her profession is self-proclaimed- ‘Match-

maker’. She would often stare at the entire gathering or would roam around sniffing fresh and young, unmarried blood. And, her favourite dialogue for your parents is, “Koi ladka dekhna shuru kiya?”

The show-off aunty

The sole purpose of her coming to a

wedding or kirtan is actually to show off her expensive jewellery, saree, heels, latest iphone and what not! And oh, did we forget to mention the Kaneda (Canada) ka tour that she just went for last month? She will never forget to mention “Oh this watch...this is limited edition....”

The know it all aunty

We’re sure you will agree that this particular species is most commonly found

in our beloved country! She knows everything right from what’s best for your future to which college you should join. Okay, we shall stop being mean! Her favourite one-liner is “Acha beta aagayi tum? Aaj bade time pe aagayi tum...kal toh 10 baje aayi thi!”

Mummy ki best friend

These aunties are the ones to whom your mom talks to the most. Thus, they are often pleasant. And sometimes due to the mom’s connection, you tend to make best friends with their children if they have any. She will always give you the tightest hug that can even make your mother jealous. “Itna sharma kyu rahe ho beta!” is her favourite one liner.

Cheeni wali aunty

These are those unfortunate women on whom god has cast this special curse of forever being devoid of something. They always tend to drop at your house requesting a cup of sugar or a pair of scissors etc. This is perhaps why they are overly sweet to you, as after all; your resources fulfill about half of their daily needs. “Beta mummy se bolna ek cup cheeni dede...humare yahan khatam ho gayi...!”

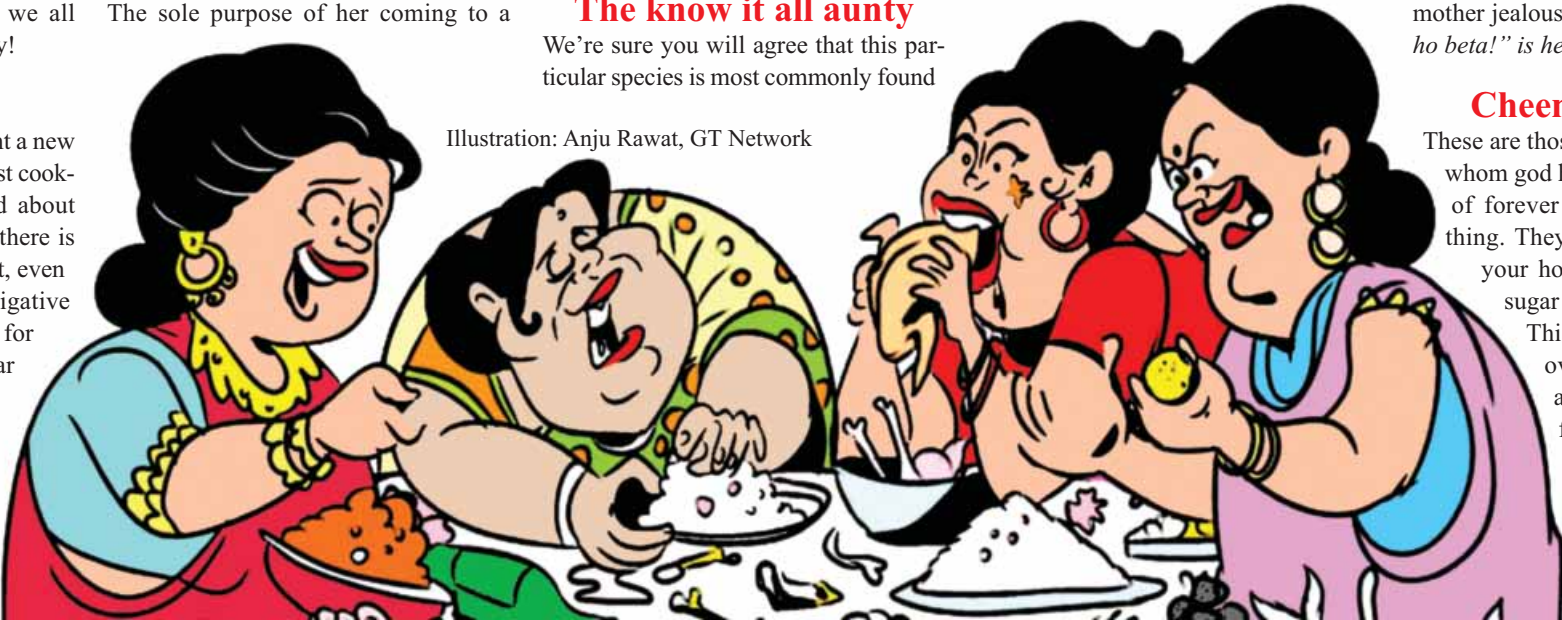
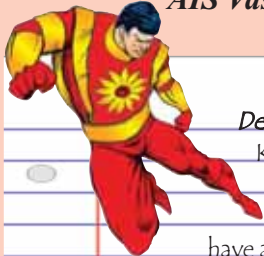


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Lettre d'adieu

We have always adored fictional characters, but it’s disheartening to see them leave our screens. What if they left farewell letters for their fans? **Arushi Arora, AIS Vas 1, X A**, takes you to a trip down memory



Shaktimaan

Dear fans,

Kanoon ka dost, mujrimo ka dushman, Shaktimaan!! I am agonised to mention that it is time for me to depart from your television screens.. I have always cherished saving lives. “Chhoti Chhoti Magar Moti Batein” is what I miss most. I enjoyed when you chose to become Shaktimaan during your fancy dress competitions. Best feeling was that little fans completed their homework as early as possible, just to witness my heroic acts. I hope you all remember my teachings and don’t do anything which makes you say, “Sorry Shaktimaan!”

Signing off,
Mukesh Khanna a.k.a Shaktimaan



Popeye

My dear spinach lovers,

I never thought, that I will have to write this letter to you all, but, yes this is the time when I will have to bid adieu to all of you. My immense love for spinach has been extremely popular (and was the way your mom convinced you to eat the stuff). With my journey coming to an end, I hope that even after I leave all of you will continue to love spinach and tap your feet on- “I’m Popeye the Sailor Man
I’m strong to the finish
Cause I eats me spinach
I’m Popeye the Sailor Man”

Blonde Barbie

My Barbie lovers,

I am a Barbie girl, in this Barbie world!” Since ages I have been your favourite doll! Little girls played (and boys too) with me and I brightened their playtime all over. I have been a doctor, princess and an astronaut. But now it is time to welcome the next generation of Barbie dolls; the ones you all can relate to in many ways. They are a reflection of strong women around you, irrespective of colour, height and weight! So here’s me signing off.
Loads of love, Barbie



Game of clones

Food transcends boundaries, even if it happens to be the boundary of someone who is a not-so-favourite

Suhani Saigal, AIS Saket, XII

Despite constant denial, we can’t help but agree that the American superpower has exerted influence on most Asian countries. Whether it was Trump making Indian students reconsider their decision of taking the SAT or it was westernization making the ‘white girl’ famous, America has been a trend-setter. It wasn’t surprising when love for American food gave rise to these hilarious knock-offs of American fast food chains.

Sattar Buksh Café

With a logo and name similar to that of Starbucks, Sattar Buksh Café has gained immense popularity. It is named after the owner, Sattar Buksh, who describes himself as the wise man on the street who knows what he knows not through

education, but through experience. The menu ranges from coffee to chai. With a special delivery menu, the Café is making many hearts happy in Karachi.

KFC

This one in Iran was shut down for being “too American.” Now you may think this was a legitimate franchise. But considering the hostility between Iran and America, there is no way this KFC was a branch of Kentucky Fried Chicken. Doubts were cleared when Yum! Brands, KFC’s parent company, denied all reports of opening a branch in Iran. Little did we know that KFC actually stood for Kabooki Fried Chicken.

Mash Donalds

From Tokyo to Tirupati, McDonalds can be found anywhere. Then why not in Tehran? Or any other place in Iran?

Again, the animosity and apathy takes over. With a menu just like McDonalds, the owner, Hassan told one of the newspapers that he would’ve loved to name his restaurant McDonalds but couldn’t afford a visit from American hardliners. Thus, the name Mash Donalds.

Pizza Hat

When we visualise the logo of Pizza Hut, we see a hat on top of the words ‘Pizza Hut.’ But when we visualise the logo of Pizza Hat, we see a man wearing a hat hiding behind the words ‘Pizza Hat.’ So much for being different. This too in Iran! The two countries maybe at loggerheads but as they say, food unites all.

Although they are not real franchises, these scrappy companies make some of tastiest eats. Look out Superpower, here they come (Om nom nom).

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A powerful platform





Dr Amita Chauhan
Chairperson

Another year. Another Youth Power. While the dates and themes might change, what is heartening to see is the same zeal and enthusiasm to participate in my students. The videos, activities, dance & theatre; the culmination of the year long Youth Power event was a beautiful one. The ten participating schools from Delhi & NCR, Jagdishpur and Lucknow showcased their year long hard work in making a difference. From eradicating air pollution to managing diabetes, to creating an inclusive society for the disabled and creating a safe and rightful space for animals and birds, Amity YP students have shown their concern for many issues. It fills my heart with pride and joy that they chose such a platform to not only share their concern but spread forward the values and ethos of a passionate citizen. Youth Power is not just a school event. It is a powerful forum which creates leaders and change makers out of school students. They not only are made aware of an issue, but are also prepared to face an obstacle and provide a solution for the same. The year long responsibility and task entrusted, challenges them to use their education - a privileged education - to better use. We then see individuals who are not just part of the society but individuals who are helping the society grow and innovate; a sign of true humanity. Youth Power may just be a facilitator but is definitely a powerful one.  

Win, When You Lose



Vira Sharma
Managing Editor

Ten teams and only one winner. That's a competition. As the curtains come down on Youth Power at the grand finale every year, there is only one thing that sometimes breaks my heart...that is the process of selecting the winner. The whole GT team follows along as our young brigade takes up cudgels to resolve social issues and rally around their chosen cause throughout the year. Youth Power is not a one-off event – we are intimately acquainted with all the blood, sweat and tears that goes into building and nurturing these community-enhancing projects all year. All YP projects touch the lives of hundreds and thousands of people, making their lives better in myriad ways. Picking a winner when you have been part and parcel of each team's journey is then truly heart-breaking. This sentiment is equally shared by our esteemed jury members. And yet it must be done. Amidst happiness and natural disappointment, each team took back numerous lessons; most importantly, the lessons of teamwork, empathy, and leadership to BE THE CHANGE they want to see. I still remember that when the YP winner 2010 decided to participate again in the school YP the following year, one of the questions she faced during the selection round was “what if you don't win this time?” For her, YP had become so big that winning or losing was irrelevant. For her, the biggest reward was the epic journey she undertook – a challenging ride that transformed her life, and a year-long trip that was filled with passion, ordeals, failures and successes. And that year, as she lifted the second runners up Trophy with her team around her, she was elated. For it's only at Youth Power that you win even when you lose.  

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Strings re-attached

Society is made up of humans and individuals, who are connected through various means; one of the connect, is the need for emotional attachment



Khushi Ko, AIS Saket, XII

She heard the familiar trill of her phone's text tone reverberate through the room. Peering at the brightly lit screen, she saw the message and chose to let it be a one way conversation. She decided that it was too early to be talking to anyone about anything, really. Hours passed and the lone message remained singular and she couldn't help but wonder if her friends had grown tired of her distance. But why was she feeling bad? Wasn't she supposed to be emotionally detached? Emotional detachment refers to the willingness to disconnect with others on an emotional level. But more so than that, it is what people like you and I refer to as ‘cool.’ We've resorted to calling people who display emotions ‘too sensitive’ without considering the fact that they're real people with emotions probably more real than ours. We accuse them of playing up their problems instead of asking them if they're alright. And if you disagree, what else could possibly explain the time you refused to go to that reunion because it was too ‘childish’ for you to be caught



dead at? Or why no-strings-attached is your go to take on any relationship? The truth of the matter is that, as a society, we are moving towards an era of emotional detachment. One, where being aloof is the epitome of socially accepted- and encouraged- behaviour. And that, my dear reader, is not only detrimental to the society but also to us as individuals. Human beings are social animals, we crave attention and thrive on it. And a world where being

emotionally attached is encouraged, is unnatural, where people are bound to feel a void, arising out of nowhere, because we refuse to consider our emotions for the puzzle. But if being emotionally detached is so terrible for us, why do we deliberately sacrifice our own emotional needs? The most probable answer to the question is that we're afraid. Afraid of opening up to people just to be left in the dust. Afraid of inevitable heart-

break. Afraid of pain. And that's a completely human reaction. But is forsaking emotional bonds really the way to go? The fear of heartbreak paralyzes us and in turn, we close ourselves to experiences. Pain is an indispensable part of life as much as love and other emotions. And so we're choosing to forgo all emotion because we fear one. Life can be scary, that goes without saying but taking the leap into the abyss could maybe work in your favour. Think back to the golden days of Indian cinema where the characters confessed their emotional attachment to each other at the drop of a hat. And today we talk about being *Befikre*. People often say that movies are a reflection of the society. And why does every movie, that portrays emotional detachment as the popular fad, always have an ending that is contradictory and never a surprise? So, even if we don't know the ending to our story, who is to say that we won't have our own happily ever after. So reply when you see, confess when you feel and tune those chords. The tune might be emotional but will be beautiful nonetheless.  

The scientific educationist

Dr Bal Ram Singh is a successful biophysical chemist at the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, USA and director of its Center for Indic Studies. With many awards for teaching and research to his credit, Dr Singh was conferred honorary professorship during Convocation 2017 at AUG. He shares his views on science and education with Anwesha Sen Majumdar, GT Network...

Science research in India

Scientific education in India still lags behind, especially when it comes to world rankings and research studies. India still has a long way to go before it is at par with the developed nations. However, lately I have been seeing substantial innovation in the field of applied science. More and more original research and ideas are being produced to cater to Indian problems.

Science budget in India

One of the primary reasons for science lagging be-

hind in our country is lack of funds. The budget allocated for promoting scientific research and development in the country is quite low as compared to other countries. Take for instance, China has been allocating huge amount of resources, money and manpower to create a large scientific community of researchers and innovators. I feel initiatives like these are missing in India. Interestingly, Indian constitution is the only constitution, which promotes scientific temperament and approach; which means we should have a scientific approach in every step the nation takes. Therefore, the ethos of the constitution should be adopted for nation building.



Role of teachers

Teachers are the bedrock of any educational sphere. They are the ones who are responsible for teaching and inculcating curiosity in young students. However, most of the teaching revolves around rote learning, irrespective of the subject. To ensure maximum delivery and retention, teachers need to relate the subjects they are teaching to real life problems in a student's life. Students as young as four can easily learn science, if taught in a fun and interesting way. They can be taught science with simple examples they can relate to as what is the purpose of brush, why do they brush etc. Another reason students don't do well, is lack motivation amongst teachers. If a teacher is not motivated enough, s/he can't instill the will to learn amongst the students. Also, there is a need to take up an interdisciplinary approach to education.



Dr Bal Ram Singh

Message for Amitians

Amity is a burgeoning university, with various interdisciplinary subjects, in almost each and every field and domain possible. My message to the students in this university will be to advise them to make full use of the facilities, integrate resources and create solutions to problems. This will surely help in creating a better society.  



Forgiveness by your deeds

Little pearls of wisdom

Shaurya Malhan, AIS MV, VIII

Crime and forgiveness have different meanings in different societies. In the Babemba tribe of South Africa, the methods of dealing with unsocial elements are unique. Though the criminal behaviour here is infrequent, but when it does occur, the whole village stops working, and everyone gathers around the accused. They form a human circle around him and then each individual one at a time call out all the good deeds the person has done

in his life. All these good deeds are recited carefully and at length. No one is permitted to exaggerate, criticise or lie. This interesting ceremony often lasts several days and does not stop until everyone has spoken positively about the accused. At the end, the tribal circle breaks up in joyous celebration, and the person is welcomed back into the tribe. This overwhelming positive influence strengthens the self-esteem of the accused and makes him resolve to live up to the expectations of the tribe. The rare anti-social behaviour in the tribe highlights the appreciation given to the good qualities of a person. Something we need to live for a happy life.



Cinnamon helps cure pulmonary problems such as bronchitis, asthma, cardiac disorder and fever.

Inter Amity Sports Fiesta

More than 18,500 students took part in Inter- Amity Sports competition 2016-17 competing in 13 sports disciplines with unmatched enthusiasm

Inter- Amity Sports Competition

Priya Arya, GT Network

The fifth edition of Inter-Amity Sports Competition 2016-17 that commenced in April culminated with a grand valedictory ceremony held at AIS Noida on March 7, 2017. The competition witnessed the participation of nearly 18,500 students in various tournaments/matches. The event also witnessed 100 per cent participation in PEC programmes for primary classes. The sports fiesta, a visionary initiative of Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools & RBEF, aimed to develop mentally and physically fit global citizens. The valedictory ceremony was graced by the presence of Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools and RBEF; Dr SS Roy, Executive Director, National Institute of Sports, Patiala & Team Wing, Sports Authority of India as the chief guest; (Retd) Colonel BS Ahluwalia, Senior Consultant Sports, Amity Group of Schools; Dr TPS Chauhan, Sr Advisor, Amity Group of Schools; Mohina Dar, Director (Academics Projects: Amity International and Global Schools and the Principals of Amity International Schools. All Amity International Schools that participated in 13 sports disciplines throughout gathered for the grand medal ceremony. The event commenced with traditional lamp lighting amidst the chanting of shlokas. This was followed by a practical glimpse of all thirteen sports disciplines presented on stage by the students creating an agile yet eager atmosphere. The auditorium roared with loud cheers as students claimed their medals bestowed by the distinguished guests. The auditorium was filled with proud parents of the participants who gathered to witness the success of their children. The ceremony was followed by an inspiring



Number of Sporting Disciplines: 13 disciplines with Archery being introduced for the first time as demonstration game. Others: Kho-kho, Karate, Taekwondo, Skating, Aerobics, Chess, Table Tennis, Kabaddi, Basketball, Cricket, Football, Tennis, PEC

Venue: Each of the participating schools were given an opportunity to host one of the 13 sporting disciplines

Rules: The respective disciplines followed the respective Federation rules for competitions, which in turn, follow international rules

Methodology: For the convenience of students



AIS Gurgaon 46 lifts the Overall Junior Championship trophy

speech by Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, who rejoiced seeing her children excel in various sports. She further added that it is not just the achievement for the students but also a personal achievement to her as her students make a mark for themselves in various fields. Col BS Ahluwalia also stressed on the need to have a balanced life between academics and sports and the various benefits of physical activities in our daily lives. He further quoted ‘Padhoge likhoge banoge nawaab, kheloge kudoge banoge lajawaab’ emphasising on the need to have a sporty life. He also urged the parents to motivate their children to include sports in their early lives and inspire them to work harder. The ceremony concluded with announcement of the overall winners in the primary, junior and senior category for both girls and boys. AIS Gur 46 and AIS Noida bagged the Overall Junior and Seniors Champions Trophy respectively for the fourth year in a row making it difficult for other schools to break the routine. The Overall Champions Trophy 2016-17 was jointly shared by AIS Noida and AIS Gur 46. The additional Champions Trophy instituted last year was proudly lifted by AIS Vasundhara 6 this year.

not to travel long distances frequently, the schools were divided into two clusters; Cluster 1 comprising AIS Noida, AIS MV, AIS Vas 1 and AIS Vas 6 and Cluster 2 comprising AIS PV, AIS Saket, AIS Gur 46 and AIS Gur 43

Match categories: Sub Junior (Class I-V), Juniors (VI-VIII), Seniors (IX-X) and PEC (fun games up to Class V)

Results: In all the categories for all the disciplines, the school that stood first, was awarded a trophy. The overall championship was awarded to the schools who scored maximum points in the junior, senior and overall categories

Aims and Objectives

- To organise interschool tournaments and competition in the various Sports disciplines regularly played at various Amity branches.
- To encourage maximum participation by students in sports and physical activities.
- To raise general standards of Sports in the schools.
- To prepare students for higher level of competitions and represent Amity as one team at National and International levels.
- To give students exposure to competitive sports.
- To develop Spirit de Core among students.
- To encourage girl students to participate in sports.

Results

| Senior | Junior |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| First: AIS Noida | First: AIS Gur 46 |
| Second: AIS Gur 46 | Second: AIS Vas 6 |
| Third: AIS Gur 43 | Third: AIS Noida |



Chairperson felicitates the guest



AIS Noida lifts the Overall Senior Championship trophy



A walk to remember

My first marathon

Akshita Sharma, AIS PV, VIII D

Thrill knocked into me when my father asked me if I'd like to participate in 'Amity Gurugram Half Marathon Kids Run' (AGHM)* 2017 category of 5 kms. In spite of my final exams, my parents got me ready to participate as exams can never become obstacles in your growth. I was anxious to know what marathon is going to be like, as this was my first marathon ever. Held on February 26, 2017, AGHM marvelously organised the event at Leisure Valley Park, where everyone who participated from all age groups were invited. The venue looked perfect for running as it had ample space, drinking water facilities, and all types of refreshments. The marathon itself was a tiring, but a thrilling experience as it was the first time I was running along professional marathoners. The joy of crossing the finish line was unparalleled. The experience was a beautiful one and worth sharing with all. Of course the feat would not have been complete without the support of my teachers and parents who always encouraged me to follow my passion. I am now eagerly waiting to participate in the next year's marathon.

**AGHM is an International Half Marathon held every year at Gurugram, India. In today's sedentary lifestyle, being fit and promoting the significance of wellness is a crucial need of the moment and marathons engage people with healthy activities and inspire them to adopting a change towards healthier lifestyles. AGHM is among Amity University's sport initiatives, towards building a better society, and in turn, an empowered India.*



I am a proud marathon finisher

A hidden kindness



Storywala

Sanjana Saxena, AIS Vas 1, IX

Dr. Varun walked into the hospital in a hurry, changed his clothes and rushed towards the OT. Before he could enter for surgery, the patient's father stopped him with aggression. He yelled, "Why did you take so much time to come? Don't you know that my son's life is in danger? Don't you have any sense of responsibility for your work?"

The doctor smiled and answered, "I am sorry, I wasn't in the hospital and I came as fast as I could after receiving the call and now you should be calm so that I can do my work". "Calm down?! What if your son was in this room right now, would you calm down? If your own son dies while waiting for the doctor. What will you do?" said the father angrily. The doctor smiled

"Giving advice when we're not concerned is so easy," murmured the father. Doctor left for surgery without answering back.

again and replied, "We will do our best by God's grace and you should also pray for your son's healthy life." "Giving advice when we're not concerned is so easy," murmured the father. Doctor left for the surgery without answering back. After 3 hours of surgery, the doctor walked out happy and relieved. "Thank goodness! Your son is safe! And if you have any more questions, ask the nurse," he said and walked away. "Why is he so arrogant? Couldn't he have waited for a few more minutes so that I could ask him about my son's state," said the agitated father, minutes after the doctor left. The nurse looked at him hopelessly with tears rolling down her face, "His daughter met with a road accident yesterday and she is in a critical state, he was with her in the ICU when we called him for your son's surgery. And now that he saved your son's life, he left running to be with his daughter struggling for life."



Mango iced tea

Priyanshi Gupta, AIS MV, IX

- Ingredients**
- Mango (chopped)..... 2
 - Black tea3 tsp
 - Water.....4 cups
 - Lemon juice¼ tbsp
 - Sugarto taste
 - Fresh mint leaves.....5-6
 - Ice cubes-2 cups

- Method**
- Puree the chopped mango in a blender and then refrigerate it for

- ten minutes.
- Now heat some water in a pan. Switch the flame off and add black tea to it.
- Cover the lid and leave it for 5-7 minutes.
- Now strain the tea from the pan in a jug and refrigerate it for 30 minutes.
- In a blender, add refrigerated tea, mango puree, sugar, lemon juice and blend until it turns smooth.
- Serve the mango iced tea in a mason jar with ice cubes and garnish with mint leaves.

Read Play and Win

Reading your favourite GT can fetch you a prize too. Complete all the boxes below. Click a picture and send it to editor@theglobaltimes.in or submit it to your GT Teacher Coordinator. 3 lucky winners will win a prize every week!

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| <p>Q: Which pigment gives leaves its green colour?</p> <p>Ans:</p> | <p>Q: What is the name of the Amity's CSR initiative for boys?</p> <p>Ans:</p> | <p>Q: What is the name of the photography group of Amity School of Communication?</p> <p>Ans:</p> |
| <p>Q: What is the name of the scientist interviewed on page 6?</p> <p>Ans:</p> | <p>Q: Who is the winner of Youth Power 2016-17?</p> <p>Ans:</p> | <p>Q: How many students participated in the Inter Amity Sports competition?</p> <p>Ans:</p> |
| <p>Q: What is a cloud facility?</p> <p>Ans:</p> | <p>Q: Who has submitted the painting for Painting Corner?</p> <p>Ans:</p> | <p>Q: Which school won the Jury Mention Award in Youth Power 2016-17?</p> <p>Ans:</p> |

Name:.....Class:.....School:.....

Results of Read Play & Win-24: **Shivi Soni**, AIS PV, V D; **Jashraj Sahoo**, AIS Gur 46, IV G; **Ashray Gupta**, AIS Vas 6, X D (Prizes will reach you in 15 days)

WORDS VERSE

Unknown Heroes



And when the night was falling in

Enemy numbers were reducing
Some got hacked to pieces
Some were stabbed with knives
And at last when the final enemy was killed

They gazed at their victory
Which did not last long
Standing above the mountain
Mountain of the bodies

The bodies of their friends
Their own family members lay still
And they all lie same on the ground
No friend, no foe!

All ordinary men and women
Whose families waiting in vain
For them to come home
Smeared in blood together

Names of martyrs still unknown
To this day
Remembered as
The Unknown Heroes
of their country

Aryaman Sen, AIS Vas 6, VIII D


Trumpets blared, soldiers marched
Shouts of orders filled the air
They look at their enemy
With fear and courage in their eyes

They knew they will be remembered
As the Unknown Heroes of their country
With final blare, the battle begins

Soldiers running on speeding horses

Finally, clash into their enemies
With arches shooting arrows
In every direction
Soldiers left wounded by them

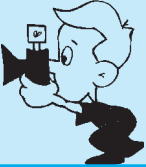
Soldiers with spears and swords
Fighting to be alive
Lives of many soldiers lost was denied




CAMERA CAPERS


Eshika Goyal, AIS Noida, X D

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Shadows of time



Two to flamingo



Unending horizon

Tale of joy

Illustration:Anju Rawat, GT Network



Siyona Jaidka, AIS PV, VI

Vicky came back from school with broken cycle and bruises all over his face. He probably got into a tiff at school with other boys as they teased him “Fatty-fatty little Vicky!” This was the third time in a row within a month that he had got into a fight. Often he would get angry and fight unnecessary. That day, his father gave him a bag of nails and told him that every time he loses his temper, he must hammer a nail on the fence. The first day the boy hammered 37 nails on the fence. Over the next few weeks, the number of

nails dropped down and he discovered that it was easier to hold his temper rather than hammering those nails on the fence. Vicky also realised that he had stopped paying any attention to people mocking or teasing him. He was much calmer and concentrated on his own business. Almost after a month, the day came when Vicky did not lose his temper at all. He felt a swirl of joy inside his stomach and went straight to his father to tell him about his achievement. But to his surprise, his father asked him to start pulling out one nail for each day that he succeeds in holding his temper. Few more days passed by until Vicky finally

Vicky did not lose his temper at all. He felt a swirl of joy inside his stomach and went straight to his father to tell him about his achievement.

pulled out all nails for the days he did not lose his temper tight. All nails were gone! He eagerly waited till evening for his father to get back home. He happily took his father to the fences and showed how there was not a single nail. Vicky’s father was surprised and congratulated him for overcoming his temper. But then he asked Vicky to take a closer look at the fence. He said, “The holes in the fence will never go away! When you say things in anger, which you don’t mean, they leave a scar on the mind, just like the scars on the fence. You can draw a knife on a man’s chest and draw it out. It won’t matter how many times you apologise, it will not change anything, as the wound is still there. You must know how to control your aggression, the next time you are on the verge of saying something that you will regret later.” Vicky understood what his father was trying to teach him and how his temper must have left wounds in the minds of people which he now regrets. But now he was happy that he knew how to tame this temper.

Moral: Think before you speak. A moment of patience in a moment of anger saves you a thousand moments of regret.




Fish-Out

- Materials Required**
- Paper plates (White) 3
 - Acrylic paint in assorted colours
 - Paintbrushes
 - Scissors
 - Round coloured stickers
 - Googly eyes or buttons
 - Pencil
 - Glue

- Procedure**
- Start by colouring each paper plate with a single base colour of your choice. It will be the body of fish.
 - Now paint stripes or other designs on the plate after the base paint dries. (Please refer image)

- For fish scales, use round stickers and stick them on the plate. (Please refer image).
- For eyes, glue on a googly eye or button and paste it on the plate. (Please refer image)
- Paint a mouth with different colour and cut out a triangle. (Please refer image)
- Now draw a pair of upper and lower fins and a tail on a fresh plate, use the rim part for its fluted texture.
- Cut out the pieces, paint it in a contrast colour of your choice or the same colour and let it dry.
- Glue the pieces under the plates as shown in the image.
- Decorate each fish differently with different colours and stickers.

POEMS



Dream Dream

My dream is to become
A soldier

To make my country
Brave and bolder

I want to fly a fighter plane
And swing through the sky lane

And I pray that everyone
Reaches their own height

Dreams!! Are something that
Takes you on a high

To share your dream
You shouldn't be shy

Shivansh Arora
AIS Vas 1, IV

Lend a hand

Raghvi Gupta, AIS Gur 46, VII

We live in this
Beautiful environment

A great gift
That God created for us



Why don't we love it?
And make it green

It's a garden of stunning plants
It's running out of air

With melting snow
One day nature will sink

How can we save it
Just think

We should preserve it
If we don't, we don't deserve it!

Every town should be green
With surroundings clean

I will be a defender of
My planet

United with friends
I will save the earth

Riddle fiddle


Srishti Narayanan, AIS MV, II

1. What kind of room has no doors or windows?
2. Which tree you can carry in your hand?
3. Take off my skin, I won't cry but you will. Who am I?
4. What's full of holes but still holds water?
5. What word looks the same backwards and upside down?
6. What never asks questions but is often answered?
7. The more you take, the more you leave behind. What are they?
8. What 5-letter word becomes shorter when you add two letters to it?
9. What nuts you can hold your pictures on?
10. What can run but can't walk?


Answers: 1. Mushroom 2. Palm 3. Onion 4. Sponge 5. SWIMS 6. Doorbell 7. Footprints 8. Short 9. Walnut 10. Water

Painting Corner

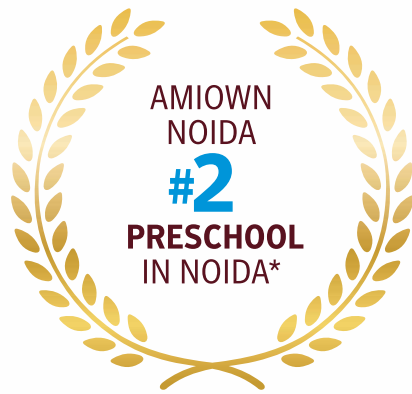
Vaneesha Thakur
AIS Vas 1, III



It's Me



My name: Tanmay Khurana
My school: AIS Gur 43
My Class: I
My birthday: April 25
I like: To play with cars
I dislike: When my mumma scolds me
My hobbies: Watch cartoons
My role model: My grandparents
My best friend: Ishan Chaudhary
My favourite book: Rhymes book
My favourite game: Ludo
My favourite mall: Life-style
My favourite food: Rajma rice
My favourite teacher: Meera Ma'am
My favourite poem: Hands on your shoulder
My favourite subject: Math
I want to become: Doctor
I want to feature in GT because: It's the best newspaper to be featured in.



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Fenugreek is used for the treatment of boils, diabetes, cellulites and tuberculosis.

*All top quotes complied by
Saanvi Aggarwal, AIS PV, VI*

Cricket companions

Atulasha children and German Exchange Programme students bond over a game of friendly Cricket match



Mohd Azharuddin with Chairperson along with Pooja Chauhan and students

AIS Pushp Vihar

Under the BOSCH Student Exchange Programme, AIS PV hosted a friendly Cricket match between the students of Atulasha*- a school for underprivileged boys run by Amity Humanity Foundation and Gymnasium Schloss Neuhaus, Paderborn, Germany. The match, an initiative of Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson

Amity Group of Schools and RBEF with the theme 'Sports as means of identification and integration' aimed at promoting friendly relations between the two nations. The school has been successfully hosting the German Indian Classroom (BOSCH Exchange Programme) for the last four years. Mohammad Azharuddin, Former Indian Cricket Captain, graced the occasion as the chief guest and motivated the stu-

dents with his kind words and also presented a cricket kit to the students of Atulasha. Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan; Ms Pooja Chauhan, Vice Chairperson, Amity Humanity Foundation and Ameeta Mohan, School Principal, cheered and motivated both the teams. During the match, the players were divided into two teams- Atulasha as Team Amity India and Gymnasium Schloss Neuhaus as Team Amity Germany. Team Amity Germany won the toss and elected to bowl first. Team Amity India had an aggressive start with its opening partnership whereas Team Amity Germany captivated the audience with their bowling and fielding expertise. Team Amity Germany presented a great start by achieving 31 runs in just 2 overs which led to the team's victory.

**Atulasha is a CSR initiative school, wherein the underprivileged boys from neighboring areas are provided with free education, uniforms, books, meals and healthcare along with creating awareness regarding Indian culture, heritage, traditions and personal hygiene and grooming.* [G](#) [I](#)



Kavya Aggarwal with school principal Sunila Athley

Young global scholar

AIS Vasundhara 6

Kavya Aggarwal of Class XII has been accepted by the Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut, USA to participate in the Yale Young Global Scholar's Programme in Math & Science from June 19- July 2, 2017. Kavya's scientific acumen and innovative bent of mind made her eligible for FMS (Frontier in Maths and Science) in which, along with other international students, she will examine scientific disciplines such as Physics, Chemistry, Geology, Astronomy and Mathematics. The selection committee received an overwhelming response of applications from 150 countries and all the 50 US states. This programme specially designed for outstanding high school stu-

dents will provide Kavya with an amazing summer experience of studying in a beautiful campus lecture hall, living in Yale's historic residential colleges, meeting a talented community of fellow students, engaging with world renowned professors and interacting with extra ordinary visiting practitioners. The uniqueness of this specialised field comes through the exploration of interdisciplinary fields such as material science, biophysics, behavioural economics, biochemistry and environmental science. Over the two week programme course, she will also get an opportunity to work in Capstone project groups to identify problems in a specific topic, conduct rigorous background research and propose solutions to those problems to their peers and instructors. [G](#) [I](#)



Children have fun at the carnival

Carnival fun

AIS Noida

The school organised a fun carnival on March 18, 2017. The carnival was a joyous celebration, full of fun and frolic which saw exuberant crowd ranging from parents, children and staff. School Principal Renu Singh along with Vice Principal Soma Mukherjee inaugurated the event. The

carnival saw brightly decorated stalls of mouthwatering delicacies, handicrafts, apparels and other consumer goods. The joy rides and other fun games including tambola were a major attraction for all age groups. A live DJ and pulsating music reverberated all through the day and added to the festive atmosphere. The day ended with a lucky draw which saw people taking home exciting prizes. [G](#) [I](#)



Havan being conducted to seek blessings from Almighty

Havan ceremony

AIS Saket

The new session 2017-18 at the school commenced with a grand havan ceremony organised on March 20, 2017. The ceremony was observed with great sanctity under the

guidance of Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools and RBEF. It was attended by students and all the teachers of the school to seek the blessings of the Almighty. Teachers blessed the students and motivated them to do better in their lives. [G](#) [I](#)

Interaction with NASA scientists

Amity Group of Schools

The students of Amity International Schools from Saket, Mayur Vihar, Noida and Pushp Vihar had a golden opportunity to interact with scientists from NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory at Amity University, Uttar Pradesh on February 2, 2017. The renowned scientists Michael M Watkins, Director, Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL), NASA; Dave Gallagher, Associate Director for Strategic Interaction, JPL, NASA and Dr Diane L Evans, Director for Earth Science & Technology, NASA were accorded a warm welcome. The children who had participated in the Asian Regional Space Settlement Design Competition (ARSSDC) gathered in the seminar hall to interact with the scientists for a Q n' A session. The students posed a lot of questions related to space that included topics ranging from colonisation of Saturn's moon, choosing the perfect orbit for a satellite, comet to comet travel, mission GRACE, to production of food in outer space, developing Artificial Gravity, 2D shape materials, dust mitigation



NASA scientists during the interaction

methods as well as storing energy from solar cells. The questions helped the students understand the condition of outer space and the challenges faced in the colonisation of the outer space. The students were inspired to learn more and work in the aerospace industry.

The second half of the day saw the scientists interact with Amity University students who learnt a lot from them. They delivered an expert talk wherein they apprised the students about their knowledge and vast research experience. The students had an enriching experience. [G](#) [I](#)

EHF BIFO National Education Award

AIS Gurugram 46

The school added another feather to its cap, when School Principal Arti Chopra was felicitated with the 5th BIFO* National Education Award -2017 by EduHeal Foundation, at a prestigious ceremony held at Bombay Stock Exchange, Dalal Street, Mumbai on April 7, 2017. The award was conferred to her along with nine other principals across India for her outstanding proposal on how to incorporate financial literacy in the school. The occasion also marked the felicitation of two students from the junior school, namely, Vedant Papneja and Akshita, with cash awards and tablets for their fantastic International and National ranking in Eduheal Foundation Olympiad 2016 at the ceremony attended by schools and students from across the country.

**BIFO is the BSE International Finance Olympiad whose goal is to promote the advancement, discovery, learning and application of commerce and finance. The Olympiad is designed to encourage students to explore, discover, and learn more about financial world and to develop analytical and problem solving skills that will be essential to their career.*

BSE Institute Limited (BIL) and Eduheal Foundation (EHF) have mutually agreed to work together to create awareness and provide education and required skills to the students and learners in India. [G](#) [I](#)



Arti Chopra with winner & Ashish Chauhan, CEO, BSE



AIS MV



AIS Saket



AIS Gur 43



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