Waah Taj!

Shah Jehan's daughter Jahanara Begum, refused a grand burial like the Taj.

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M'app'ing it young

A 15 Year Old Techie Shares His Story

Computer genius Tanmay Bakshi with Jyoti Arora, Director, AERC and his proud parents

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Arun Prakash, GT Network

At an age when we play with our friends all day long, he wrote code. At the age when we still hope for a cricket bat on our birthday, he had his own application on the Apple App Store. Meet Tanmay Bakshi, a 15 year old tech wizard, and a very well known name in the field of neural networking and machine learning.

Over 281 students belonging to class IX from different branches of Amity International Schools had the privilege of meeting this young wizard at the TechTalk, a collaborative initiative of Amity Educational Resource Centre (AERC) and Amity University Uttar Pradesh (AUUP) with BPB publication, which was held at AUUP on October 4, 2018. This great opportunity was extended by Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools and RBEF. It was inspiring and encouraging, motivating students to pursue career in the field of Information Technology. Tanmay Bakshi, started coding at the age of 4 as he keenly observed his father, a coder himself. In his address, he introduced students to new concepts like machine learning, artificial intelligence and their applications. The youngest cognitive and cloud computing developer, who built applications engineered to augment human capabilities via Deep Learning, shared his story of how his simple curiosity soon became a lifetime passion.

Many of us might consider artificial intelligence (AI) to be the future of information technology, but this widely accepted myth was one of the few that Tanmay busted during the talk. He said, "Artificial Intelligence is not possible especially in the field of Information Technology, but it could be executed in the field of biotechnology in the future."

A TEDx speaker, an author, a programmer, a neural network expert and a YouTuber with over 276,000 followers, he shared his vision of trying to help 100,000 young and budding coders to reach their goal, claiming to have reached the 8,800 mark. The talk came to a close with an interactive question-answer session wherein young Amitians gained clarity on the subject of machine learning. The occasion was graced by the presence of Dr S K Khatri from AIIT, AUUP and Nrip Jain and Varun Jain from BPB publications. **G T**

SPIC MACAY@Saket

Guru Geeta Mahalik with students of AIS Saket and volunteers of SPIC MACAY

AIS Saket

An Odissi performance was held on September 27, 2018 under the aegis of SPIC MACAY. Students got an opportunity to witness an enthralling performance by Padma Shri Guru Geeta Mahalik Ji. Well known as a master of 'Rasa', Geeta ji is also well acclaimed for dance dramas like *Lavanyavati*, *Krishnabhilasha* and Draupadi - *Antim Prashna*. She was accompanied by Prasant Behera on vocals, Prasant Mahana on mardala and Dhiraj Pande on flute.

The ceremony commenced with auspicious lighting of the lamp. School principal, Divya Bhatia welcomed the artists with saplings. Geeta ji presented a creative and instructive performance of Odissi. She also explained the nuances of Odissi as a classical dance form and how it is related to our cultural heritage. She also brought in many innovative interpretations, religious and secular overtones through her choreography and explained its significance to the students. **G T**

Rendezvous with books

Children enact a skit based on a storybook

AIS Gurugram 46

Students of class III did a class presentation based on the theme 'Rendezvous with Books' on September 20, 2018. The presentation began with traditional lighting of lamp followed by the rendition of *Ganesha vandana* and *shlokas* by the students. The objective of the presentation was to inculcate good reading habits among students. The presentation was woven through a story of two children Nitya and Raghav who happen to meet characters from different famous books like, 20000 Leagues Under The Sea, The Hundred Dresses, Alice in Wonderland, Malgudi Days and Akbar Birbal. Students gave tremendous performances which included dance, skit and a rap song based on storybooks they had read. Through the presentation, they drove home the message of learning with fun and the pleasure of reading books. Through presentations they also emphasised on moral values interspersed in every storybook. **G T**

Following Gandhi's steps

Students spread message of cleanliness

visited the surrounding neighbourhood areas and spoke to the locals to make them more aware about the importance of cleanliness and hygiene. A 'shramdaan' activity was also held in school during which students cleaned the premises.

AIS Gwalior

The school held a special assembly for class I-VIII on October 1, 2018 to celebrate Gandhi Jayanti. The objective was to reinforce the message of cleanliness and hygiene propagated and exemplified by Gandhi ji in his lifetime. The assembly began with a mellifluous rendition of Gandhi ji's favourite bhajans, 'Vaishnav Jan' and 'Raghupati Raghav Rajaram'. A skit based on the freedom movements led by Gandhi ji was presented by students of class III. An oath ceremony was also held to communicate the quintessential message that every hand and every effort counts towards realising the vision of our respected Prime Minister, that of 'Swachh Bharat'.

AIS Virajkhand Yojna Campus

A special assembly was held in the school on October 1, 2018 to mark the celebration of Gandhi Jayanti and spread the Gandhian messages of cleanliness, honesty, peace and harmony among children. Students were shown a powerpoint presentation on Gandhi ji's life which was followed by question- answer session based on the presentation. Pupils of class VII-IX indulged in cleanliness awareness activity in which they

Children present a skit on Gandhi ji's life

Special heritage assembly

Song presentation on river Brahmaputra to celebrate its rich heritage

AIS Noida

The students of class I presented a vibrant and colourful assembly based on river Brahmaputra on September 20, 2018 as a part of the 'heritage education'. The purpose of this assembly was to highlight the importance of river Brahmaputra for the people of Assam and Arunachal Pradesh and how it fulfills their needs. Through skit, dance, poetry recitation and song, children apprised others about river Brahmaputra such as the location of its origin, course, temples on its banks, annual festivals and how closely people are associated with it. The skit 'Save Rivers' and the dance 'Namami Brahmaputra' conveyed their feeling of thankfulness towards this significant river of the North East. **G T**

AIS VYC Lucknow

To make students aware about the rich cultural, environmental and social heritage carried by different rivers of India, two special heritage assemblies were held in school. On July 23, 2018 students from class III-V presented a special assembly on river Indus and on September 25, 2018 they presented on river Mahanadi. Celebrating river Indus, students of class IV performed a 'Sambar' dance while students of class III and IV sang songs based on its rich heritage. Class V organised an exhibition in which they showcased objects of Harappan civilisation. In the special assembly on river Mahanadi, students of class IV gave a speech while class II and III presented a song and a dance based on Mahanadi. **G T**

Sambar dance performance by students on the occasion