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New normal



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Dear Amitians, Hope you all are enjoying vacation time by staying safe and healthy. As the world reels under the pressure of lockdowns, India

has emerged as a nation which has fought the challenges in the best possible way it can. Social distancing, regular sanitisation, cleanliness, hygienic practices, not spitting in open, caring for environment, respecting relationships, being dutiful citizens, etc., are now the 'new normals' that have become the new way of life. A lot of these aspects were always being discussed and deliberated upon on various global and local platforms. But nonetheless, for some reason or the other, these could never completely become a part of our lives. Not that people were not aware or never cared, but the strong will and determination to adopt these as lifestyle somewhere lacked a bit. In fact, a lot of these are centred around the culture and tradition of Indian lifestyle. Be it our greeting 'Namaste' or use of 'turmeric' and 'tulsi' the natural immunity boosters in our daily diet, the Indian way of life is - the new normal.Indeed, it is a matter of pride for us and also a huge responsibility for all of us to now make this new normal the cornerstone of creating a better, beautiful and happy nation and happy world. GIT

Angels in disguise













A Bow Down To Our Young Warriors

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ife is certainly uncertain, a notion that COVID-19 laid bare for all. While many doctors and frontline workers chose to risk their lives to save others, some innovative next-door-superheroes did not allow the global pandemic to conquer their will and chose to put their creativity to its best use and serve the community. In this series of 'Corona War-

riors' brought to you by GT reporters for the last consecutive six editions we read stories of innovation, where young innovators, with care, compassion with creativity went out of their way during the lockdown period to spread the message that no matter what happens, we

will overcome the pandemic. The stories have been brought

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CORONA WARRIORS

Pandemics know no boundaries, and neither do warriors who battle them. This special series, running across Quarantine editions of all Amity schools, is an ode to those fighters. Highlighting stories of young change makers from within and outside Amity, this special series has been curated by young reporters across various Amity branches.

Youth & News Media Prize that strengthens engagement between news media and young people across the world). And as we delineated

them to you, here's its last, final segment before we bid adieu.

When we delved deeper into the subject, we were surprised to read that stories of innovation were not only limited to urban areas where children had access to resources which can help them invent; they ran deep into villages and districts where young innovators took charge to solve the problems being faced local inhabitants. Let's take a look at all the wonderful stories of torch-bearers whose dreams were much bigger than their size!

From India's rural topography, we found some children who could no longer let other villagers in their vicinity suffer from problems like intense heat and water shortage. To fix this issue, Arjun, Mahesh and Piyush from Bhatkheri village,

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MP, managed to dig a 30-feet deep well within three days, all with the help of resources available at home! 9-year-old Golu from Jaitpur, Mahoba, also went ahead to provide the luxury of cold air in the rather hot climate to the people of her village, by inventing a mini cooler using limited equipments.

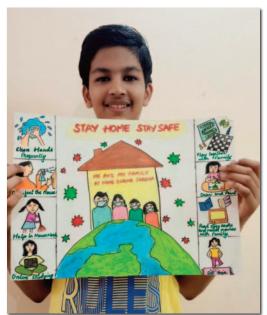
We also came across some brilliant minds, part of Atal Tinkering Labs (ATL) in their schools or cities, made landmark innovations in limiting the COVID-19 outbreak. We delineated one such tale in our corona warrior series, that of Shivam Mukherjee, a student of AIS Pushp Vihar, who created a wearable sanitisation band. Another such innovations included the corona tracker mobile app, automated touch-free doorbell & sanitiser and a COVID-19 website.

And the list does not end here. A team of school-going RJs in Kerela, kept people entertained under lockdown from their respective homes, while others like Mihir Vardhan from Gurugram, created 'The Terminator', which can help destroy any virus which might travel on the packaging online orders, as well as 3D printed face shields and handstitched face masks to meet their unprecedented shortage - another story that we promulgated in our warrior series. Other such inventions including Bengal's Digantika Bose's 'Air Providing and Virus Destroying Mask', and a unique wristband created by Maharashtra's 14-year-old Harsh Chaudhari, which stops us from touching our faces, await patent approvals from the Indian Council of Medical Research.

By bringing their innovative minds to the forefront and perfectly pairing them with their desire to serve the country - these little corona warriors have curated the perfect recipe for creative utilisation of their time, as well as helping those in need. And while they are at it, let us all come together in our thoughts and be a little more responsible in how we deal with the crisis. Cause, being distantly together is the only way we can actually distance it!

The world as I see now

How The World Has Changed Post COVID





Arsh Gupta

AIS Gur 43, IX B

World is not just what you see It's more than the vicious seas It's a rich and diverse ecosystem With legion interacting organisms

Just have a look around and tell Isn't the world a beautiful hell What do you see and then feel Is it what it should have been?

Currently, being gripped by fear Everyone needs aid and care This pandemic is like a wildfire Which now reached a new tier

World's suffering from this pain And has become rather mundane Hospitals are filled with people Infected with this virus so lethal

But this is not the only problem We got a whole lot yet unsolved Greed, global warming, pollution To live in peace, find a solution

Just people suffer in this world For them, not many are worried Baseness is eating our soul's gunny But people only care for money

Broken and charred pieces of glass Plastics tossed in the water bodies Industrial waste, cutting of trees Dot the scene that surrounds me

To restore it to its former beauty

To protect it from us, is our duty

We have to reduce the world's pain

And bring its lost glory back again

Poorna AVD, AIS Gur 43, VIII C

Everywhere this death bells rings The virus has spread its wings Millions of problem it carries But has made us refreshed and free

Flocks of birds through my window Sitting on tree branches in a row The roads once occupied by humans Are now to the eyes so pleasant

Skies became clear and so blue

Now no planes, only birds flew Trees restore the air quality And surroundings are litter free

Lots to read, lots to learn
Making online learning fun
Problem with no morning walks
Compensated with positive talks

Bringing distant families near Love and compassion are here Blossoming of humanity in sorrow Is the world as I see now





Shreya Choudhary

AIS Gur 43, VIII B

Isn't it tragic?
Be it any tunnel or tower
There will be traffic
Even at this late hour

But after COVID struck the world Have things changed, I wonder? No more working hours or school And in the mornings, we can hear a rooster

Parks once bustling with kids Are now filled with silence Right now, there's no vaccine But scientists will find it quick

In bright, cloudless mornings
The rising sun looking ravishing
Sitting with family playing board games
Losing or winning doesn't matter anymore

The only sound that we can hear Is the whispering breeze Or the birds that chirp in our ear Saying stay at home please!

Everything happens for a reason Look at the beauty around you It's like a favor to the Earth See, the nature blessed you

Mokshita Grover

AIS Gur 43, VIII A

Years ago, there was real nature Today nature is not the same We had beautiful flowers and trees But now, only polluting industries This is the world as I see now

Day by day pollution increases
And the ozone layer depletes
Adding fuel to fire is global warming
And plastic is choking our seas
This is the world as I see now

Corruption, Corruption

It is now a profession
It is spreading like an infection
Needs some cure and medication
This is the world as I see now

Water is everywhere
In lakes rivers, seas and ponds
But people are dying of thirst
There's no one who cares
This is the world as I see now

Let's take oath to plant more trees
Let's take oath to reduce factories
Let's take oath to curb pollution
Let's take oath to save water
Let's take oath to bring a revolution



Ayushi Jain, AIS Gur 43, IX A

Those sirens of traffic, rage and hate Has no chance, can no longer prevail The once deeply darkened sky With puffs of smoke and gases infinite Can no longer prevail

That daily anxiety of getting up early Engaging in dull routine once again Now seems to be gradually vanishing Along with the ever-engaged swarm Fighting for bus seat, is at rest again

The clear sky, with rays of the sun

And not the haziness of a smoggy sight Allows me to discover about the city I did not know existed until today For the better the word has changed

Relaxed jokes and true laughter Not hurried away by bustling work True bonding and true emotions Not lost like the past years Time is returning back again

Soothing not just the environment But human lives all over again It's a boon to focus on bright Locating and counting starry lights



In the dark of a gloomy night

And to feel, to touch, to talk again
Not rushing for things for a change
Stands a chance, will now prevail
To heartily live, laugh, love again



Ruudrakshi Ganguly

AIS Gurugram 43, VIII A

The world is now too crazy
You step out of comfort zone
And you feel extremely dizzy
To sustain in this world
You need to work hard
To be apple of one's eyes
Today it seems to be Autumn
People are confined at home
And happiness becoming low

Souls float to their destination
Everyone is lonely,
no connection
But our nature is finally healing
And the air is becoming clean
Morning ushers with a choir
Birds chirp in harmony and joy
"Oh no! This is a grey time"
But be patient for a sunshine
This is a tough examination
Where we all need to pass

It's time to be as strong as iron
Because we mustn't let hope
Shatter like a fragile glass
The world that I see now
Seems very ridiculous to me
There are times when it's pathetic
And at times it is glorious
Sometimes all I do is laugh
And sometimes I just sit and cry
But I want to enjoy these exams
Till the very moment I die

Pia Gujral, AIS Gur 43, VIII A

The world as I see now Is brimming with despair and how With virus everywhere, all around Everyone is suddenly home bound

It came to China without a warning But we said it's not that threatening For us it was just a laughing stock But then lockdown came as a shock

We were asked to stay at home Because that is what is right No matter what may come Virus isn't not going overnight

Wash hands till you count twenty Sanitize them again and plenty Wear a mask wherever we go It's a change we need to undergo

There are people who stay at work To save us from this contagious world Respect the warriors, our real heroes Saviours of our future, our tomorrow

Help the people who are in need It is surely a very good deed Do whatever you can But when you're following social ban

All we have to do is stay home Stay strong and stay healthy Because everyone needs to fight Whether s/he is poor or wealthy

The world as I see now



We can conquer its victory
Against the deadly virus
Ever seen in the history

Prisha Prasad

AIS Gur 43, IX B

Our Earth suffers these days Not in one, but countless ways Pandemic, and climatic sways We can all but help it to stay

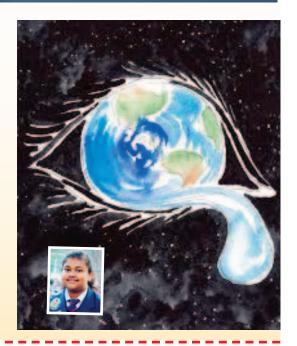
The Universe has weird stuff Witness its beauty as much Mighty Jupiter like a king Saturn dances with its ring

Earth with its nights and noons Stars dancing with the Moon First steps towards Mars soon Yet unexplored, a curse or boon?

Nothing is impossible here The mighty sun stands where The world of untold mysteries Would live on as in history

As the sun touches the horizon Galaxies get more than thousand All this after the big explosion Universe needs no permission

Let's fight these days together
For, Earth is all that matters
Let joy and happiness scatter
This is the world as I see now



Saanvi Goyal, AIS Gur 43, IX A

God felt mankind going too far So they gave Earth another scar And decided to give it a rest For they thought it was for best.

They know we can handle it right So they gave us an enemy to fight But we only want to make us strong We don't care where we go wrong

Our gods groan at us each day For the humans' fault, they pay It blows, the smoke we made Without knowing it was a mistake

Animals that we had bound Are now free to roam around What shall one give to understand They, too, have a right to this land

Let's think about the lives we led And what we do before our bed Mankind made Earth distressed So God is now giving it a rest

Kanishka Sharma

AIS Gur 43, VIII B

The world that I see now Sits with threats on the bough While we are trapped in cages It is lethal, with its grisly phases

The coronavirus is mortal
But it is spreading like fire
Said to be wilder than other flus
About its source, no certain clues

Freedom lost in quarantine

In public you avoid to be seen The doctors are the real fighters Holding the coronavirus tighter

Blocking it from our habitation Are the warriors of this nation Thousands are dying every day Let's hope for the best, they say

Its symptoms are cough and cold
It is fatal for the sickly and us all
Definitely, the world is in a mess
But, let's just hope for the best



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