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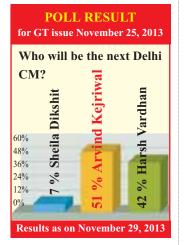




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Are you satisfied with the verdict on the Arushi murder case? (a) Yes (b) No (c) Can't say

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**Coming Next** AIMUN fever takes over in the next edition

Is the broom in the hand or the hand on the broom? Or will kamal do the kamaal? Well, we will have to wait and watch to see who turns *bemisaal* 

> Vansh Saluja, XII & Radhika Ahuja, X C, AIS Saket

The election season is back! Brace yourselves for some last-minute repair work and once-in-five-years election fever. What gives Delhi elections uniqueness this year is the electoral fight turning from a bi-polar to a tri-polar fight between the Congress, BJP and the Aam Aadmi Party. But the moot question iswhich party will be able to catch the imagination of the people and translate it into votes.

#### **THE CONTENDERS** Which party takes the cake?

**CONGRESS:** The three time incumbent grand old party is brimming with confidence despite corruption charges, price rise and rising crimes against women. Well, that could be due to the credentials it has a la Food Security Bill, conversion of 65,000 vehicles into CNG and many more. **BJP:** The three time opposition is confident of its victory. The party is trying to make a strong comeback by choosing tried and tested leaders with a fairly high success rate.

AAP: The party evolved out of a public movement and has long moved away from just eating into votes to a serious contender to the Delhi throne.

#### **THE CANDIDATES**

Representation counts, especially in a democracy. Meet the candidates...

CONGRESS: Sheila Dikshit-- The septuagenarian is the current Delhi CM and has led Congress to three consecutive wins. She has represented India in the UN Commission on the status of women for five years.





BJP: Dr Harsh Vardhan- He has served in various capacities in the state cabinet as health minister, law minister and education minister. He has never lost an election to the state assembly.

AAP: Arvind Kejriwal- He is a former IRS officer and former joint commissioner in the income tax department. He won Ramon Magsaysay Award and is known for drafting Jan Lokpal Bill.

#### **THE PROMISES**

The beginning of a political innings happens through boundless promises. A look at the promise aisle in Delhi... **CONGRESS:** The 'garibi hatao' motto is evident in programmes like the Antyodaya scheme, MGNREGA etc.

BJP: As always, it has announced agendas different from Congress. Reducing electricity bills, safety for women are issues that BJP has given special mention. **AAP:** They are a party by, of and for the aam aadmi that aims to eradicate the major issues affecting the middle classcorruption.

#### **UNITY OR DIVERSITY?** "United we stand, divided we fall"

CONGRESS: A party with strong leadership has Gandhi family at the helm. BJP: This party exercises absolute democracy as it has given various leaders the chance to come to the forefront. AAP: The party structure follows a bottom to top approach where the council members elect the executive body and also hold the power to recall it.

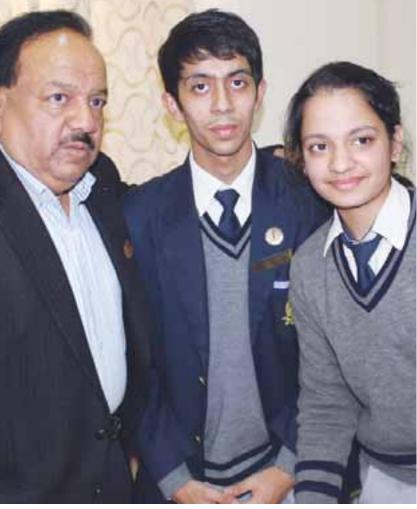
#### **FOR YOU**

Middle or upper class, urban or rural ...who will be the beneficiary? **CONGRESS:** The victory cup is in the hands of the poor. BJP: The laurels are well distributed, just as the focus of BJP is. **AAP:** The triumphant smile can be seen on the faces of the middle class.. Inputs: Himadrish S, AIS Saket, XII G

Good governance

...that is what Dr Harsh Vardhan, Delhi's chief ministerial candidate has promised to offer, if he is elected to office. Here's presenting a tete-a-tete with the man before the final countdown

All pics: VP Manoj Prabakaran, XI G



#### Gaddhyan, AIS Saket, XI

f polls (source: India Today) are to go by, Dr Harsh Vardhan is the preferred chief ministerial candidate. The former health and education minister has many achievements to his credit, with the pulse polio eradication programme being the most prominent. Here's a serious conversation with the veteran politician days before he gears up for the big day.

How easy or difficult are Delhi state elections as compared to last year? No election is easy or difficult; it is a routine procedure. We perform our duties, communicate with the people and tell them about our policies, programmes and our vision and leave it to the people to decide.

#### If anointed as the chief minister, what

is the first thing you would like to do? There cannot be a first thing or a second thing, everything is important for the person whom it concerns. In the government, one has to start working on all fronts simultaneously. The government does not work with a unidimensional approach. It comprises several ministries that work for each and every problem of



#### **Promises in the offing**

Here's what the chief ministerial candidate has to offer once selected Subsidy on LPG cylinders: It would offer relief to women who are troubled owing to inflation. Honest governance: It will help ensure that the taxpayer's money is spent on the projects which are for the welfare of people. **E-university:** It will make learning easy by using new technologies.

#### the city or the country.

#### With the number of first time voters almost tripling this year and unemployment being at a high, how are you trying to placate the youth?

The youth has been ignored significantly in the last 15 years and the number of unemployed registered with the employgoing to start several projects, which will ensure employment. In addition, we also aim to increase avenues for education in terms of opening new universities and colleges etc. We will try to strengthen the youth of the city.

If elected as the chief minister, what will you do to make Delhi safer for women considering eve-teasing cases have been on the rise ?

We will introduce a number of measures including initiating the process of giving full statehood to Delhi, strengthening the police and supplementing them with guards and civil defence people in order to make the city safer for women. We also plan to light up dark and isolated roads in addition to making the police official more women friendly.

#### You have served as a doctor as well as a politician. Which profession do you enjoy more?

I think I definitely enjoy my medical profession more considering that's my first passion. Having said that, I feel politics can help you serve more people. As a doctor, I could serve only an individual patient, but as a politician, I could eradicate the polio. As a politician, you can work on a larger plane.GT

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News and Views

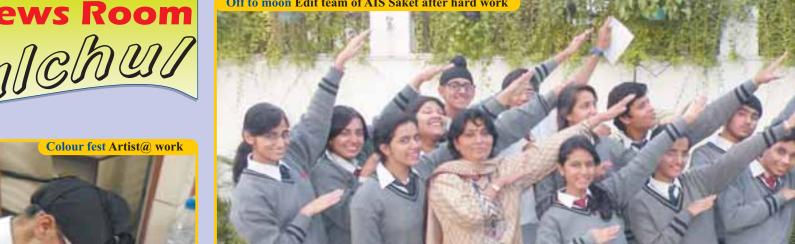
Working with The Global Times was an enthralling experience indeed. Someone once rightly said, "Success is the space one occupies in a newspaper. Siddhant Puri, AIS Saket, X A, Page Editor



# Lights, Camera, Elections!

Broom, lotus or hand, *kiska bajega* band? The countdown to elections was replete with all ingredients of a perfect potboiler. Siddhant Puri, X A & Arushi Mehra, XI G, AIS Saket, bring you excerpts of the drama

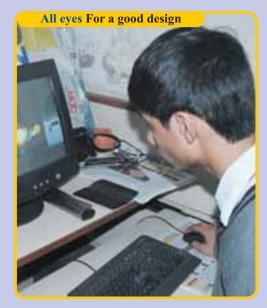
















Being a page editor and working with the GT team was a lot of fun! I surely learnt a lot from this experience.

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**Education & Enhancement** 

Sanjana Chopra, AIS Saket, XI G, Page Editor

# **Personality peeks**

Ever wondered what your thoughts speak about your personality? A few thought patterns are given below, along with their meanings. Find out yours

Ria Chopra, AIS Saket, IX A

It is a psychological fact that the images our mind conjures when it wanders are actually representations of different facets of our personality. In simple words, the things we think of when we are idle, are the things that define us. So, take a deep breath. Close your eyes and set your mind free enough to visualise random shapes.

**Spirals:** Spirals mean that you are confused about an issue and do not know how to solve it. Small, wide spirals are a sign of small issues or problems, while increasing complexity of spirals is the sign of bigger and more complicated problems.

**River/water:** To think of a calm river indicates that you are just going with the flow. Thinking of a raging or an overflowing water body signifies that you feel your life is out of control. You are probably emotionally unsettled. Alternatively, it means you are ready to confront life's challenges.

**Park:** To imagine yourself at a park represents a temporary escape from reality. It indicates renewal, meditation and spirituality. To think that you are lost in a park indicates your struggle with your career, relationship, or other problems.

**Words:** To constantly see words in your head, or think of a particular way a word is written is a sign of methodical thoughts. Too many words may mean that you are under stress or thinking too much.

**Colours:** Bright colours signify an overall happy and optimistic frame of mind, while dark or dull colours



mean tension, sadness or stress.

**Conversations:** Thinking of old conversations that have already happened is a sign of a worrisome personality. To keep thinking of things you could or should have said shows regret over past happenings.

**The future:** To keep thinking of what you are going to do signifies a confident and planned personality, with clear goals. However, overthinking about the future

could be a sign of being a control maniac and stressing over what can go wrong.

**People:** Thinking about people signifies your personal relationships with the society. Thinking about the faults of others all the time is a sign of a negative or an overconfident persona. Thinking about your social commitments most of the time is the sign of a busy and outgoing personality.

Amity Institute for Competitive Examinations Presents **Brainleaks-94** FOR CLASS XI-XII Multiple fruits are those which are formed by (a) Fusion of calyx with ovary (b) Several ripened ovaries of a single flower (c) Several ripened ovaries of many flowers of an inflorescence (d) Parts other than ovary Last Date: 3 Dec 12, 2013 Ans: Brainleaks 93: (b) 1 Name: School:

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The life of a twelfth grader brings with itself uncertainty, pressure and is riddled with expectations. Step into the shoes of a twelfth grader and experience this topsy turvy tale...

#### Kashish Minocha, AIS Saket, XII G

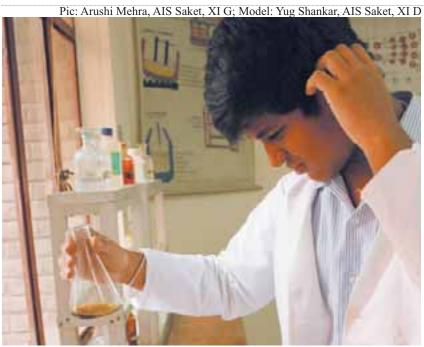
nce you are in Class XI, you are warned about the class ahead. Once you are in twelfth, you are warned about the exams ahead. And once you're done with the exams, you're warned about the marks awaited. And once your marks are here, you're alarmed about the college ahead. To know more about the thrills and chills which form the crux of this roller coaster ride, read on... up an extra three hour coaching. No coaching centre leaves a single chance to hold an extra class in whichever way possible. There are days when it's from Illustration: <u>Sanchi Jain, AIS Saket, X A</u>



school to tuition and from tuition to another tuition.

#### Sleep. Eat. Study.

With extra tight and inflexible schedules, there is hardly any time left for a twelfth grader to take up a physical activity. In most cases, we do end up gaining weight, simply because all we do is study, munch on junk and sleep irregularly.



# What not to do in practical exams...

Read much about 'what to do in a practical exam'? Well, here's advice with a twist

Sai Priye Gupta, AIS Saket, XII G

Does the thought of appearing for a practical exam always make you nervous? Does sticking to a time limit send shivers down your spine and makes you rush up your brain as fast as a Bugatti Veyron? After all, you have to be more cautious in the lab than merely pull on your lab coat! So, find out what "NOT TO DO" in your practical exams...

- First of all, DO NOT panic. It's just an exam, the calmer you are, the better it will be. The last thing you want to do is come running to the lab and knock all the apparatus down.
- DO NOT cheat, it might help you that one time. Who knows if the one you're copying from has got it absolutely wrong! Also, wouldn't it be too suggestive if two explosions oc-

curred consecutively?

- DO NOT waste your time and work efficiently (No jokes here).
- DO NOT disregard your written work, it will definitely help you a lot in case your practical exam doesn't, which is likely to happen.
- DO NOT have a casual approach.
- DO NOT come half prepared, it won't get you anywhere.
- DO NOT forget to keep in mind it's the bunsen burner that should burn, not you.
- DO NOT drop acid on yourself.
- DO NOT knock beakers over, your practical will just end up in pieces.
- Last but not the least, DO NOT fail this one in case your theory was bad.

Hope this advice works wonders. Now don't keep thinking of the wrong stuff you can do during practical exams!

### The countdown begins...

"Only months left now for your Boards, *padhlo beta*" It seems as if parents and teachers have willfully adopted this as their favourite mantra. The day your Class XI exams get over, the countdown to your Boards starts. And your well-wishers leave no stone unturned to remind you of that!

#### Cut down on your outings

There was a time when you could just say, 'Mom I'm going out with friends!' But once you have entered twelfth, all that freedom, those excessive outings and your attendance in parties suddenly goes down. Parents start saying 'no' more often, alarming us constantly to get serious because IT'S TWELFTH!

#### Tuitions that seem never ending

A holiday no more feels like one because along with a holiday, crops

#### The dilemma of TV With so many new and excit-

ing shows being launched, twelfth class students have landed in a dilemma of what to watch and what not. It's just so hard to leave any of your favourites. If you have a sibling enjoying these, then woohoo, you can do nothing but feel J (read jealous).

#### Confusion

The biggest challenge that a twelfth grader faces is confusion; what to study and what not to; whether to participate in school events or not. It's difficult even to decide whether we should follow our school's course or follow what's happening in our tuitions. And with each new question, the confusion increases.

#### What are you planning to do?

Whether you know them or not, whether you meet them regularly or not, some people SIMPLY LOVE to ask 'What are your plans after twelfth?' Teachers, parents, relatives, acquaintances, EVERYONE wants to be your well-wisher and drop the bomb called 'What next?'

I have always dreamt of being a part of The Global Times and now that I am a page editor... I'm loving it! Sirat Kaur Gill, AIS Saket, XI D, Page Editor



# Lanternes 'de' la nature

A subject of poetry on nature, a scene straight out of Life of Pi or Tinker Bell's magical light, bioluminescene cast their magic in many ways

Graphic: Dhwanit Chauhan, AIS Saket, XI C

Science & Technology



#### Shivangee Gupta, AIS Saket, XI D

My fancies are fireflies, specks of living light twinkling in the dark. The voice of wayside pansies, that do not attract the careless glance, murmurs in these desultory lines.

Rabindranath Tagore

othing describes the beauty of the night sky lit by the warm glow of fireflies better than the above lines by poet Rabindranath Tagore. This scene is beautifully internalised in the movie 'Life of Pi' where glittering stars and glowing creatures of the night turn up in their full might to amuse a lonely Pi. Even Walt Disney's fairy Tinker Bell collects sunlight to make the fireflies glow and illuminate the night sky. Read on to know what makes these beautiful creatures glow ...

### creatures?

One may wonder who these majestic

Incandescence	Bioluminescence		
It is referred to as "hot light".	It is also referred as "cold light".		
The traditional bulb heats to a very high degree to produce light.	The chemical reactions which take place inside an organism lead to production of light.		
It isn't very bright.	It is brighter and powerful.		
This occurs at high temperature.	This occurs at low temperature.		
Works on the principle of 'incan- descence' ie the filament gets heated up to such an extent that it emits light.	Animals create light through 'lumines- cence' which involves the reaction of various chemicals in the presence of oxygen, to produce light.		

creatures are, glowing in the night. They are not any creatures with complicated names from futuristic sci-fi movies, but found in our back yard or the vast deep oceans. Worms, squids, mushrooms, eels and even some bacterias found in the forests of West and Central Africa, Waitomo Caves and oceans are known to glow.

#### What makes them glow?

Not many people know that 80% -90% of the deep dwelling animals are bioluminous and can produce light of their own by mixing pigment luciferin with luciferase in the presence of oxygen. The high-energy molecule created by the reaction releases energy in the form of light. The green and blue light emitted by the creatures of the ocean travels far and helps them attract a mate and lure the prey.

What are bioluminescent Benefits of biolumiesence With a multitude of bioluminescent organisms, comes a wide range of

uses of the light. Some creatures use it to hunt, like the anglerfish whichuses its glow to lure its prey, while other animals use it to attract mates, camouflage themselves, and to deter predators. Here are some uses:

Locating food: Some species of the fish use this light like a spotlight to find their prey.

Attracting prey: Some species found in the depth of the ocean like anglerfish use luminescence to attract other fishes.

Communication: Fireflies flash at one another in a specific pattern to find a mate.

Camouflage: In the depth of the ocean, some species produce spots of light on their underside, which blur their outlines and allow them to blend in with light from above. This is also known as counter-illumination.

Self defence: When threatened, some animals release a cloud of bioluminescent fluid. A squid defends itself by releasing a cloud of ink.GT



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### Science: An edged tool

Navya Khanduja, AIS Saket, X A

We all live in a world which if not dominated by science, is strongly influenced by it. Yet most people fear or hate science. Read on to know what makes science the most dreaded subject:

Boring lectures: It is indeed a struggle to keep one's eyes open during a boring lecture on tetravalency, homologous series, chlorofluorocarbons, knowing fully well that your interest lies somewhere else. It's like a nightmare!!

Far from everyday life: With teachers forever telling you the essence of science in everyday life, one is left wondering how on earth is the reaction of carbon dioxide with slaked lime even relevant in our daily lives. It is not unusual for students to fret over enormous syllabus before exams and wonder how electro-magnetism or other scientific principles are ever going to be of any use in our day to day life.

Boon or bane?: Science has ushered in a huge change in the society. But sometimes, these changes have a devastating affect. Whether it was the bombings of Japanese cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki or nerve gas attack in Syria, it is the common man that succumbed or fell prey to technology.



Illustration: Sirat Kaur Gill, AIS Saket, XI D

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### Is it possible to imagine samosa without aloo? Probably not. Similarly it is difficult to fathom Indian cricket team without Sachin

#### Sirat Kaur Gill, XI D & V P Manoj Prabakaran, XI G, AIS Saket

rith the God of Indian cricket, Sachin Ramesh Tendulkar bidding a teary farewell to international cricket, the Indian team is going to miss their all rounder player who steered the team to victory on several occasions. The stadium will no longer echo with the chants of "Saachin! Saachin!" and even bowlers who feared being hit for a six or a four can breathe a sigh of relief. Though, there might be many people who would like to get into his boots, it would be impossible to find a player and a human being of his caliber. Read on to know what makes him India's shining star ...

Indian cricket without Sachin: As Sachin walks into the sunset years of his career, the number 4 spot in the Indian team is going to fall vacant. The man who owned the 'Fab Four' spot for more than two decades has left behind a legacy of 15921 test runs which is 2500 more runs scored by any cricketer. The master blaster has another record to his credit; he is way ahead of others in terms of the numbers of matches played.

Despite, long years of an impeccable career record, he has managed to steer clear of every controversy. Tendulkar had affirmed his position in the team because of his consistency and the fact that he could play under pressure. Tendulkar made cricket a household name. It would have been difficult to bring home T-20 World Cup trophy, Champion's Trophy or for that matter lift the prestigious ICC World Cup without him. Sachin has been an inspiration for several players like Virat

Kohli, Suresh Raina, Ravindra Jadeja, etc. They turn to this demigod of Indian cricket for not only quick cricketing lessons but also for motivation.

Big loss to international cricket: No longer will the stadium reverberate with the loud cheers of Sachin. The cricket crazy fans wearing Sachin masks will be missed. But his retirement would come as a major relief to Shoaib Akthar, Imran Khan and Shane Warne. Though, all of them have bid farewell to the game, Sachin continues to haunt them in their dreams till date. The crowd will miss the stellar performances of their hero during the most anticipated and awaited matches like India-Pakistan and India-Australia. Tendulkar, who was known for turning the tide of the game with his hitting knocks and greeting his fans with huge sixes and fours would surely be missed.

The man who owned the 'Fab Four' spot for more than two decades has left behind a legacy of 15921 test runs, 2500 more runs than any other player.

Who will step into his shoes: As the legendary spot falls vacant, there are many contenders for the top spot. Some of the names doing rounds include India's highest scorer Virat Kohli, the man who is known to have a huge appetite for runs, Ajinkya Rahane, Rohit Kumar, Yuvraj Singh, etc. GI





Working with The Global Times as a page editor was a chaotic yet exhilarating experience. It is something I'll cherish for a lifetime. Lakshita Handa, AIS Saket, XI F, Page Editor

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Whose life is it anyway?

# The call of the mall

Air conditioners that soothe, ample opportunities to go window shopping and plush washrooms. Take a look at how malls have become more than just a shopping hub these days

MALL



#### Aarushi Mehta, AIS Saket, XI G

he rationale behind a mall is to attract the hungry-eyed to hog the oh-so-expensive items lying gracefully in grand showrooms. However, this principle has become the last of things a mall is visited for. So what makes a mall so exciting for people to dress up in their fanciest attire or to wear their nighttime pyjamas (what is up with that, by the way) and visit a mall on a holiday without fail? Music, food, ambience, security and Starbucks (a special sarcastic mention to this one)

are some things that makes a mall a must visit for one and all.

#### FOR A DIGNIFIED 'STATUS'

Coming to the sarcastic mention of Starbucks, it would seem senseless to the naïve as to why they should spend a fortune on a cup of coffee that isn't even served the way they like to have it. But then if your 'status' update so far hasn't been 'Chilling - at Starbucks', then the whole point of your very existence has been nullified.

So, in order to ensure that people at least take note

of your existence, hitting that hip mall on a weekend near you is a must in this oh-so-awesome world of facebook check-ins.

Illustration: Neha Singh, AIS Saket, X C

#### I'M SO COOL

Sarojini Nagar and Janpath sell you amazing stuff at an unbelievable cheap price. But, then these flea markets are carefully sidelined and one deliberately steers towards 'the malls'; courtesy two simple words- AC. Accept it, the harsh Delhi summers can drive anyone crazy and to seek refuge in the the cool (pun intended), malls is the most obvious

thing to do to beat the heat.

#### TAKE A SEAT

After walking past so many showrooms and observing who is wearing what, it is necessary to take a break, which in this case means TO SIT. Thankfully, the malls offer plenty of options for these 'sitting breaks'. From the Rs 20-mein-khushiyan provider McDonald's to the expensive cafes, you can take a seat wherever you want to.

#### **BREAK A SWEAT**

Shedding a few kilos every evening adds to the many diligent purposes of our versatile malls. Yes, you read it correctly, shedding a few kilos. Let's not be insensitive to such people, after all, didn't their doctor advise them to go for a walk everyday?

#### WASHROOM PARADISE

Another aspect of a mall is the beautiful, most lavishly decorated and more exciting than Disneyland itself... 'the washroom' (read ladies' washroom). No woman can explain the desire for girls to get themselves clicked in a public washroom even of a mall.

#### THE 'LITTLE' SOMETHING

These people, who have done everything to please their sentiment, might actually buy a little something. That little something is why malls are still alive. But, in the end, the oath of whatever makes the customer happy is what stands, as long as it keeps the big corporate machine running. GI

# Kuch kuch hota hai

#### ... obviously, for those stupid worms in your brain are acting up. As relationships blind even the wise, here's a reality check

#### Lakshita Handa, AIS Saket, XI F

ed tie. Check. Romantic songs on your playlist. Check. Night long conversations. Check. Stupidity personified. Double check. The oooohhhs and aaaahhhhs at the end of every love tale may make you feel that a relationship is all you need. Oh! Not really!

Tujhe dekha toh yeh jana sanam...

Goes the song and the entire world is left smitten. Mustard

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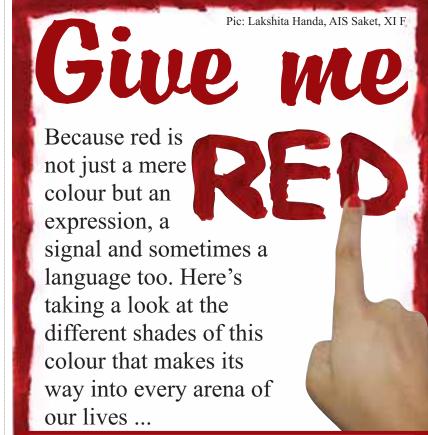
AIS Saket, XI G

fields, a cool breeze and your soulmate are the things that capture your imagination. Popping hearts, listening to the sound of that invisible violin, feeling weak in the knees, that blush for no reason...OMG! It's love!

GET REAL: Just FYI, you look extremely stupid smiling to yourself every time that cute guy passes by.

#### Kisi disco me jaye...

Cupid has a ball as love is in the air. It is time for some all night mushy conversations, unbearable effort to look good each time, spending every single second of the day thinking



about 'the soulmate'.

GET REAL: Those all night conversations are leaving you with puffy eyes along with escalated phone bills.

#### Jag soona soona lage...

It's over. You hate yourself for not being better looking. You've been making mental notes trying to figure out whose fault it was. You are gorging on those tubs of ice cream to make yourself feel better. Sad songs rule your playlist. You watch DDLJ ten times waiting for your Raj to come along. GET REAL: A brigade of cinematographers, assistant directors, musicians, spot boys is what it took to create that sizzling romance. Sadly, all of them can't be accommodated in your bedroom.

#### I hate love stories...

What went wrong? Whose fault was it? Are you ready for some 'fraandships' now? The minute you change your relationship status to single on any social networking site, such questions inevitably pop up thereby making you feel worse. GET REAL: It's better not to tell the world.

#### All is well...

Here's a reality check, people who are single are definitely not losers! Why rely on some guy to be your arm candy at a party? Or depend on someone to pay for those shopping bills? Having pyjama parties with a bowl of hot steaming Maggi is way cooler! GET REAL: Not having those distractions is showing in your mental peace and report card too. GIT

#### Sai Priye Gupta AIS Saket, XII G

ver wondered how a single ✓ word could be used in so ✓ many phrases and idioms? Let's just take the commonly used colour red as an example. Here's taking a look at the many phrases that include the word "Red".

Red eye: An undesirable flash effect in photography wherein the eye looks red due to the reflection of blood vessels in retina.

**A red letter day:** A day that is pleasantly noteworthy or memorable for some reason.

Paint the town red: To go out and enjoy oneself flamboyantly.

#### Be like a red rag to a bull: A

statement or action that makes someone very angry or aggressive.

Out of the red: Out of debt, into profitability.

Run a red light: To skip a traffic signal when red light is on.

Red in tooth and claw: An activity in the natural world, where predators cover their teeth and claws with the blood of their prey.

**Red carpet:** A long narrow carpet laid down for a distinguished visitor to walk down when arriving, especially during an event.

To be shown a red card: To be dismissed from one's job.

**Editorial** 

I wrote, edited and drew illustration for this edition. It was a new chapter in my life, one I can borrow a lot of stories from.



Stuti Sengupta, AIS Saket, X, Page Editor

## Lead by The ideal muse deeds

It is better to lead from behind and to put others in front, especially when you celebrate victory when nice things occur. You take the front line when there is danger. Then people will appreciate your leadership.

Nelson Mandela



Chairperson

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As the city dwells on and contemplates over the leadership that should take over New Delhi in the forthcoming assembly elections, I am reminded of the ripples created when my Amitians fill in their nomination forms for school representatives. These repre-

sentatives are elected keeping in mind the potential of those who can bring to the table the common challenges confronted and then be a powerful voice that ignites a lasting positive change. And thus, a little spark that emerges from discussion and deliberation of making a choice, a great fire is kindled and a pantheon of leaders is born.

The Student Council is elected after much faith and belief are invested in them. And the mettle of these leaders is established once they go through fire and rise from the ashes like phoenix. And then, hope shines through once again when the baton of expectations is passed on to a new set of leaders.

All my students who aspire to be leaders, they should remember to participate in academics as well as extra curricular activities while displaying leadership qualities at every step. It is challenging for a leader, especially the one who leads by example. Remember that there is a thin line that distinguishes a leader from a boss. While a boss says, "Go", a leader always says, "Let's go!" GI

## **Right attitude**



I am reminded of the words of Winston Churchill, "Attitude is a little thing that makes a big difference".

We are often faced by situations where things defy logic; they upset our plans and leave

us in a dilemma. It is at this moment that you need to listen to your instincts and ignore everything else. Ignore the logic, ignore the odds, ignore the complications, and just go for it. This is where having the right attitude will set you apart from others and enable you to take the right path and therefore the right decision. I strongly believe that the youth of today has immeasurable talent and future leaders can bring about a positive change in the world. We have reached that juncture in human history when the youth needs to take charge and steward the world towards a better future sans war, sans strife, sans suffering. Our Founder President has reposed in his Amitians the faith to be the instruments of change for they are guided by his lofty principles of right behaviour, attitude, aspiration and the faith in the Almighty. Our Chairperson's benevolence inspires in each one a yearning to bring light into the lives of the less privileged, to endeavour to give them the azure sky and the golden sands. With the will to work, the desire to mould, and the conviction of thoughts and action, you can make dreams a reality and help each other to become more conscious and impactful in your efforts to make communities, societies, and the world a better place. For, in the words of Stephen Spender-"History is there's whose language is the sun." GT

Graphic: Dhwanit Chauhan, AIS Saket, XI C

for artists has always been a woman and will continue to be so

The ideal muse

#### Sareena Roy, AIS Saket, X A

or hundreds of painters in the country, it was she who inspired them to pick up the brush; it was her ethereal beauty and elegance which garnered the reverence of all, including the confessed non believers. Yes, its the woman, a nurturer and an unparalleled muse who has inspired and stroked creativity in all. The divine feminine has always played a catalyst to the imagination of artists for centuries.

Long, unruly hair as though the rays of the sun emerge from her head, the power projected through her captivating third eye, perfectly crafted lips as though the petals of a lotus sit daintily above her chin, she is just perfect, an ideal woman; she is Maa Durga. Artists, be it painters, sculptors or even musicians believe in the cosmic energy, embodied in every woman, for every woman is a sublime combination of power and femininity and this is perhaps one of the many reasons why their perception of an ideal muse is a woman, more often than not.

Going back in time, one of the most invaluable pieces of art - Mona Lisa; is a woman who captured Leornado da Vinci's imagination like no other. One of greatest poets of all

times, P B Shelly mentions Maenad, the Goddess of fertility in his epic, 'Ode to the West Wind' as the harbinger of change. In his verses he describes the wild locks of hair cascading down her shoulders, Maenad running wild with thousand followers by her side. When Michaelangelo worked feverishly to complete the frescos on ceiling of Sistine Chapel, he dreamt and breathed of Venus, the Goddess of love. Since time immemorial, sailors in the sea have narrated tales of them following mermaids in the deep oceans. The enchanting shapes of the mermaids would appear in front of the voyagers and help navigate through the gale. The stories of sailors being hypnotised and falling in love with mermaids from another world have been sung by mothers as a lullaby to soothe restless babies to sleep.

More contemporarily, Nirbhaya, the 23-yearold who was raped brutally, served as an inspiration to many to create masterpieces on the canvas. Megastar Amitabh Bachchan wrote out reams of paper in poetry in dedication to her. Yes, women will inspire art, but does she always have to be a victim of social forces to stir imagination? Is she just a goddess raised to the pedestal, meant to only inspire? Time to reflect.

## **Unload your baggage** Studies, career options, crucial decisions, secondary students juggle it all

Pic: Stuti Sengupta, AIS Saket, X C; Model: Simran Gulati, AIS Saket, X C

#### Simran Gulati AIS Saket, X C

Perplexed, aren't you? Not to worry, so am I. Being a student of the secondary school, I'm often flooded with questions and I'm sure so is every 10th or 11th grader. Every time I meet a senior, the phrase I'm greeted with is usually, "Which stream do you plan to take?" And if that isn't enough to juggle my mind up, I'm perpetually bound to hear lectures about my decisions in life. I'm sure it's for my own benefit, but one question that always drives me up the wall is: "If not now, then when?" I'm sure this is the one question that makes us anxious all the time. In times such as these, I derive my dose of in-



He dropped out of college and started that getting fired from Apple was the with a simple course of calligraphy; he best thing that could have ever happened to me. The heaviness of being successful was replaced by the lightness of being a beginner again, less

sure about everything. It freed me to enter one of the most creative periods of my life."

On the other hand, choosing a career for many of us might be as tough as old boots, but one phenomenon which has helped me to take most of the important decisions in my life is a SWOT analysis (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats). The SWOT analysis not only satisfies oneself but also makes one certain and confident about their decision. This all might sound too technical, but in the end we don't know where we would end up, so it's better to go with the flow. One has to be off stream to be unique. Try thinking out-of-the-box, grab as many chances as you can, you don't know when you might end up at the right place at the right time. Each of us have a unique strand in this web of life. "Two roads diverged in a wood, And I took the one less travelled by, and that has made all the difference."

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of the Apple Inc, was not just a purveyor of innovative, landscape changing products, but also a powerful orator and inspiration for many of us.

spiration from Steve Jobs, the Founder

Illustration: Stuti Sengupta, AIS Saket, X C



was thrown out of his own company and still was as hard as a rock. He said, "I didn't see it then, but it turned out

### A creative avalanche

Debjani Das

GT Teacher Coordii

At a time of the year when nature undergoes a transition, casting a magic spell, the students of Amity Saket undertook a creative mission crystallising the GT contest edition.

It has been rightly said that the secret of getting ahead is getting started. So, the first editorial meet triggered off ideas on variegated issues. As students were onboard the creative extravaganza there was no looking back. Ideas were translated into write-ups and embellished with illustrations. The first-time writers got rid of their fears with a show of passion and confidence. The journey metamorphosed from a one-page breakthrough into an avalanche. So, buckle up to enjoy it.

Epiphany Stuti Sengupta, AIS Saket, X C here comes a time in everyone's life when the reason for existence ceases to make the slightest of sense. No matter how old you are, one thing that you want to see every day when you wake up, is no more. It's often said that the human mind is the epitome of desperation: it requires an inspiration for great ideas, it needs a trigger for happy moments and it wants a shove for a chance at love, but all it takes to become sad- is a thought. The sheer ease with which we tend to enter the state of depression often amuses me - I'd rather not think about the efforts that goes into making one laugh over it. I

deny the fact that sad things can be

laughed off to get over with. I didn't take unpleasant situations pleasantly- far from it actually. I screamed and often threw temper tantrums.

I asked the same question to God -"Why me?" I got the answer in pieces. It happened to me because I was in the process of becoming who I am today.

God knows there are innumerable other situations I still need to be a part of, there still remain situations I should go back to. Sometimes, you need to fall back.

You need to step in between the lines and wait for the light to dawn on you. Right now, I am waiting; waiting for the light to shine upon me. When it does, I'll be able to move on and my epiphany will end forever. GT



Working on the contest edition has always been a pleasure and will always be. As an ode to our final year with GT, here's summing up on the page what we have learnt in all these years. Kashish & Labanya, AIS Saket, XII, Page Editors



Everyone has something to say about English, but not all can spell its words right. Here are some confusing words of the Queen's language that will continue to baffle us



Senior

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GT has given me a great opportunity to discover my inner strength and talent. It felt great being the page editor of our contest issue. I enjoyed it thoroughly. Geetanjali Khanna, AIS Saket, XA, Page Editor



# The death museum

The day had begun normally, but it turned into an an unexpected nightmare. Read on to know what went wrong





#### **Snigdha Gautam** AIS Saket, XII G

n spite of many attempts to open the jammed door, she was determined to L put up a fight against her dying strength. Her forehead bore testimony to her painstaking efforts as beads of sweat ran down. \*Blackout\*. A 17-year-old girl in a muddy frock stood there shivering. The last thing she remembered was trying to successfully open the door before being hit with a rod on her head. She tried screaming for help but in vain. The only thing she remembered before being abducted was that she was alone. Here, she woke up enclosed in a glass box, big enough for her to stand in. The box had two holes probably for her to breathe, but she found it too difficult to sustain in it. She pressed her hands against the glass and stuck her face against it. The box was in the center of a studio with seven skeletons meandering She looked down and saw a label, "Death by lynching." "What an art piece," a skeleton exclaimed.

around the room looking into other glass boxes containing other humans. She was about to scream but couldn't gather strength. She squinted to view the human inside the glass box not far from her. He hung from a rope attached to the top of the box, dead. She looked down and saw a label, "Death by lynching". "What an art piece," a skeleton exclaimed! She looked around at other glass boxes. The one on her right was overrun with rats gnawing at flesh. The footnote read "Pets are dangerous". The other cadaver on her left floated in water. The footnote was obvious "Death by drowning". It was tough to spot the one filled with gas and had a footnote, saying, "Choked to death". Reality dawned on her and she started to bang the glass box. A skeleton stopped to look and turned away, impassively. She stopped banging as a spectator walked to her box and stared at her with hollow and dreadful eyes. She overheard them say, "Death by starvation". GT



## **Chilli delight** remove the seeds.

#### Abhay Lal, AIS Saket, XC

#### Ingredients

Green Chilli (big ones)1	0-12
Dry mango powder1	tbsp
Cumin powder	1 tsp
Red chilli powder	1 tsp
Garam masala <sup>1</sup>	∕₂ tsp
Coriander powder2	tbsp
Vegetable oilfor deep fr	ying

#### **For Batter**

Gram flour/Besan (sifted)1 cup
Baking soda 1 pinch
Turmeric powder <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> tsp
Green chilli paste (optional) <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> tsp
Salt(as per taste)

- Mix dry mango powder, coriander powder, cumin powder, red chilly powder, garam masala, salt to taste and 1 tsp water and mix well.
- Fill this mixture inside the chillies, keep aside.
- Mix gram flour, baking soda, turmeric powder, green chilli paste, turmeric powder and salt to taste to prepare a batter. Add some water to make a paste. Make sure that there are no lumps.
- Heat the oil in a pan, dip the stuffed green chillies in the batter and make sure to cover them entirely.
- Place them gently in the oil, fry on medium flame till golden brown. Your *pakodas* are ready!
- Serve with *chutney*. Enjoy!

#### Method

Slit the chillies along the length and

## Did you know?

5. Dolphins sleep with one eye open. That's called a good security system.

**6.** Like to whip your hair? Stop now because you are actually losing 24 brain cells.

7. Scared of plane crashes while flying? You should be more scared of donkeys because they kill more than crashes.

8. According to Einstein, if honey bees were to disappear from earth, humans would be dead within four years! Guess what our new motto is 'Save Bees.'

9. No English word rhymes with orange, silver and purple. Never use them in a poem!

10. Bananas and humans share about 50% of the same DNA. We really are bananas!



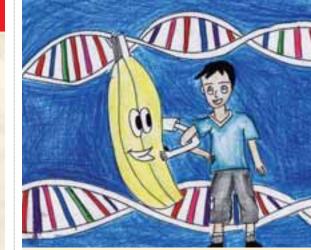


Illustration: Akhil Munjal, AIS Saket, X A Anushka Barthwal, AIS Saket, IX B

1. Confused between listening to your heart or your head? Count your blessings, a shrimp's heart is in its head.

Dare Stuti Sengupta, AIS Saket, X C

POEM

It is when emperors wage wars, that all the world stops to stare, when mountains bow and deserts flood, a man steps up to dare.

Rivers gush down to tell their stories, the sun marries the horizon, there the man stands with his glories, and takes the world into a revolution.

He knows not - what's right or wrong, he knows just what ought to be, he's never danced to victory's song, a change in times he wants to see.

Darkness looms and blood flows, yet he never thinks to stop, why is he the only one who knows that you have to fight till you drop?

It is when emperors wage wars, and the world has stopped to stare, that mountains bow and deserts flood, a man steps up to dare.



Illustration: Stuti Sengupta, AIS Saket, X

2. Wonder why people say 'bless you' you sneeze? Well, your heart stops for a millisecond when you sneeze.

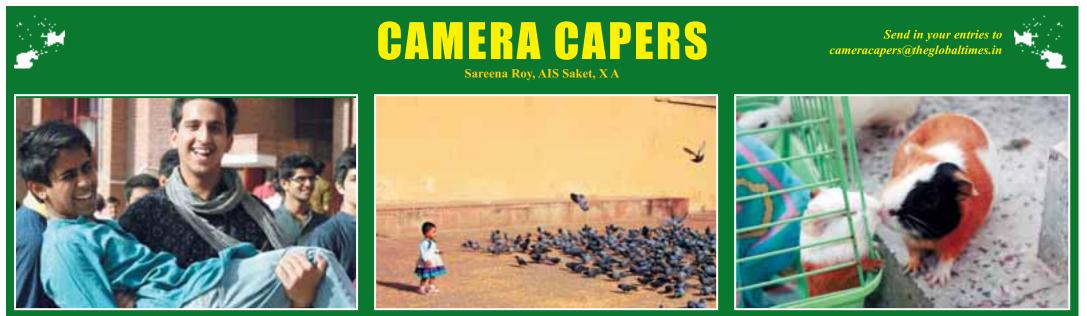
**3.** A pig cannot be called optimistic. Why? Because it is impossible for it to look up.

4. Don't have control over what you dream? Start playing video games because they have control over what you dream.

11. Most lipsticks contain fish scales. So much for being a vegetarian!

12. The female lion does 90% of the hunting. Now that is real woman power!

13. Smell captured by right nostrils are more pleasant than those captured by the left one.



Skyfall...Safe landing!

I want to fly like you

Lovey dovey !



Working with GT gave me immense pleasure and pride. I look forward to more such opportunities. Thank you GT! Aishwarya Jain, AIS Saket, IX A, Page Editor

Junior

# The tale of a tiger



#### Himadri Seth, AIS Saket, VII A

he bright rays of the sun at dawn woke me up. I lazed around for a few moments before finally getting up. I woke up to the nature's orchestra of different kinds of creatures around me, all part of my own habitat. As I rose from the moist grass, I would wave to the trees that gave me shelter when it rained or when the sun would start showing off a bit too much. How I loved my home! I would spend the morning playing with my brothers Leo and Stripes and my sister Trilla. Then, by afternoon, mom and dad would get an animal for lunch. We had a feast occasionally. In the evening, dad would teach us how to hunt and he gave us an extra piece of zebra or deer whenever we caught some small bird or any small creature. Before sleeping I would go and

give mom a big hug and she would cuddle me and tell me how I would grow up to be a magnificent tiger just like my dad and would hunt big animals and have a lot of friends. I couldn't wait to grow up. Though, I have a totally different opinion now. As days passed by I was very happy. One day, I woke up early. Not to the rays of the sun but to the sight of someone totally different.

That was the day that changed my life, or practically snatched everything away from me. The day that spelt doom for me. I woke up to the sight of a stranger, someone not from the forest. He gave me a cold stare. I distinctly remember the day when dad told us about a species that looked like this stranger and what danger it spelt for us. I remember him calling them- humans.

I did not wait to analyze the situation. I sprang up and ran as fast as I could but

#### I woke up to see the eyes of some stranger, someone not from the forest.

it was of no use. I was surrounded from all sides. Fear gripped me. Never in my life had I felt so helpless against a creature more stronger than me, someone who could actually harm me. The last thing I remember is looking into the cruel eyes of another human, who pierced my skin with something like a thistle. I woke up in a piece of land surrounded by metal, which I am now forced to call my home. I get adequate food here but hunting with my father and brothers was a completely different story. After that day, I never saw my family again. Even thinking about them makes me feel miserable. I remember my mother telling me how I would grow up to be a splendid tiger.

Now I am a big tiger but I don't have any friends and can't even hunt so what's the use? My dreams lay shattered like glass. I should have been happy that I didn't get killed like other tigers so that these vile humans could wear my skin. What problem do they have with their own skin? Why do they have to kill us for no mistake of ours? Can't we live normally with something God gave to us? In fact I would be happier if I were dead. At least I will not have to survive in this living hell. GI

So, what did you learn today? Respect the freedom of others.

### World of letters

The most selfish one letter 'I' (avoid it)

Most satisfactory two letters 'WE' (use it)

Most poisonous three letters 'EGO' (kill it)

Most used four letters 'LOVE' (value it)

Fastest spreading six letters 'RUMOUR' (ignore it)

Hard work earned seven letters



## **Chocolate momos**

Avani Bhardwaj, AIS Saket, III A

#### Ingredients

Refined flour (Maida)100 grams
Milk1/2 cup
Coconut (grated)100 grams
Hide and Seek biscuits (Crushed)2-4
Chocolate powder2 tbsp
Dry fruits (Chopped)a handful
Castor sugar1/2 cup

#### Method

Take 100 grams *maida*, and knead it into a soft doug using milk.

**Paper Collage** 

- Make a thin big roti with this dough. With the help of a small bowl cut out small rotis.
- For filling, mix grated coconut, Hide and Seek biscuits, dry fruits, chocolate powder and sugar.
- Fill this stuffing into the small *rotis* prepared earlier and close the edges.
- Now place the stuffed momos in a steam pan and steam them for about 10-15 minutes or fry them.
- Vour chocolate momos are ready. Vou can also drizzle some chocolate
- syrup on them. Enjoy!

### ťs I

- My name: Chaitanya Bahl My class: I A My school: AIS Saket My birthday: November 22 My hobby: Dancing My best friend: Shivam My favourite subject: Math My favourite teacher: Ms Kavita Ahooja My favourite game: Chess I dislike: Sitting idle I like: Games My favourite poem: Three blind mice My role model: Shah Rukh Khan I want to become: A paleontologist I want to feature in GT because: I want to be famous in my school.
  - Aanya Bajpai AIS Saket, IV B

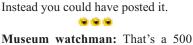
Kanwar Preet Singh Bindra AIS Saket, V B

Rahul: My cat can tell her name **Raju:** Wow! What is her name? Rahul: Meaowww...

Zoo keeper: I've lost one of my elephants.

**Other zoo keeper:** Why don't you put an advertisement in the newspaper to find him?

Zoo keeper: Don't be silly, he can't read!



year old statue you have broken. Funny short man: Thank God! I thought it was a new one. .....

Minty was writing very slowly. Bantu: Why are you writing so slowly?

Minty: I am writing to my 5 year old son Jhurlu, he can't read very fast.

Mohan: Why have you increased the

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liver you this packet.

Warren:Why did the music teacher need a ladder? Puja: I don't know. Warren: To reach high notes!

Postman: I had to come 5 miles to de-

Sindhu: Why did you come so far?

Driver: Because the break failed and we have to reach home before the accident.

speed of the car?

Boy: Doctor, I get wet after every bath.

Doctor: Ok, next time when you are going to take a bath, turn off the tap.

'SUCCESS' (achieve it)

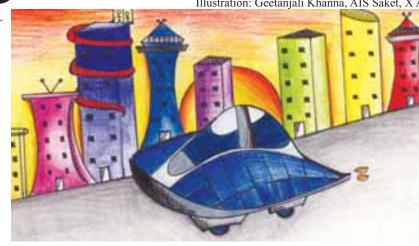
Most harmful eight letters 'JEALOUSY' (distance it)

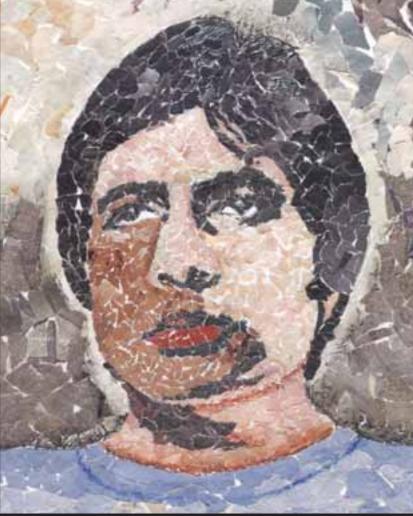
Most divine ten letters 'FRIENDSHIP' (maintain it) Contributed by: Sukriti Gupta, AIS Saket, V B

# Driving to the future Illustration: Geetanjali Khanna, AIS Saket, XA

Aditya Narang, AIS Saket, III A

Solar car, solar car! Yes, my friends it is the need of the hour. With the cost of fuels going high, and expenses touching the sky. Papa, mummy, uncle, aunty are going crazy, paying the bills! Yes, these expenses kill There is a possible solution, to this ever rising pollution. Put an end to smoke and dust, it is a must. Yes, bring in a revolution! Use a solar car, it is the need of the hour. GI





Junior Jottinas



# **@ Bookaroo 2013**

"The more you read, the more things you will know. The more you learn, the more places you'll go." Taking cue from Dr Seuss' words, hop on Amiown's book'sy' ride with Bookaroo, children's literature festival

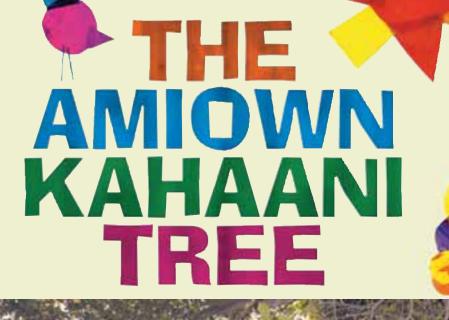
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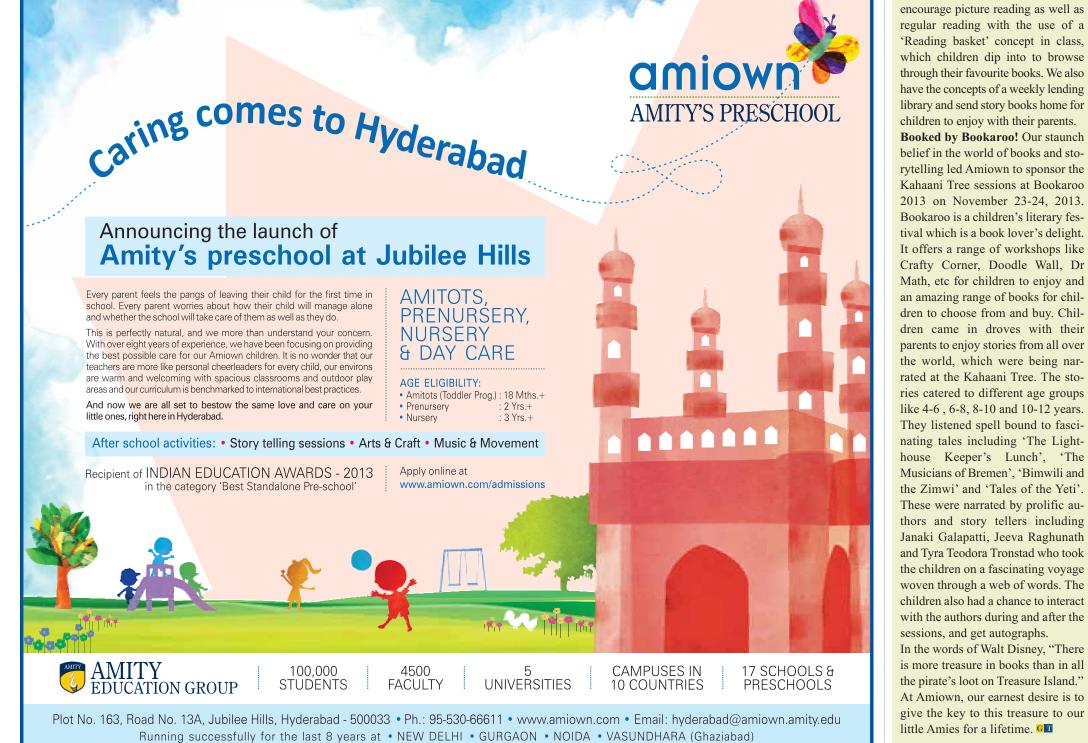
It is said that there are many little ways to enlarge the world of children and the love of books is the best of all. At Amiown, we believe that inculcating a love of books and reading in young children is giving them the greatest gift of all.

For the love of books: Reading stories sparks children's imagination and stimulates their curiosity. It expands their understanding of the world. It helps develop language, vocabulary and listening skills which are all an integral part of the child's development. A child who is exposed to books at an early stage of development, will find reading coming to him as naturally as walking and talking. A love of stories is common to all young children. Reading and storytelling are essential parts of their development. At Amiown, we recognise this and thus, stories and books form an important part of our daily curriculum through a range of activities including Spin a Tale sessions, Saturday Story Clubs, enticingly arranged reading centres with a range of books and regular stories narrated in class. We encourage picture reading as well as regular reading with the use of a 'Reading basket' concept in class, which children dip into to browse through their favourite books. We also have the concepts of a weekly lending library and send story books home for children to enjoy with their parents. Booked by Bookaroo! Our staunch belief in the world of books and storytelling led Amiown to sponsor the Kahaani Tree sessions at Bookaroo 2013 on November 23-24, 2013. Bookaroo is a children's literary festival which is a book lover's delight.



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Amiown's Kahaani Tree Interesting tales from all over the world had the children in rapt attention



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Working with The Global Times has always been an amazing experience. There is so much to learn every time. Simran Gulati, AIS Saket, X C, Page Editor

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# **Amity aces Formula 1**

Amity bags award in 'F1 in Schools' world finals at Texas



F1 team of AIS Noida with Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan

AIS <u>Noida</u>

eam Bolt representing AIS Noida put up a splendid performance at the ninth F1 in Schools world championship 2013 held at Austin, Texas from November 8 - 15. The team comprising Class X students, Chittaranjan Prasad, Aman Agarwal, Aabhaas Vaish and Anjali Singh were part of the two qualifying teams from India that did the school and country proud by beating

teams from countries across the world in record breaking time.

Being one of the youngest participants in a competition where some competitors were even college students, Team Bolt from India performed exceptionally well by winning the Knockout Racing Winner's Award as well as the Best Newcomer Award at the finals of this international championship.

Team Bolt clinched the chequered flag, just three one-hundredth of a second ahead of their rivals after battling a two hour long race, 20 metre down the F1 racing track.

The global platform of 'F1 in Schools programme' introduced in the school by Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools, raises awareness on STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics ) and Formula One among students. It challenges students to create their own Formula One team which is commissioned to design, manufacture and race the fastest miniature Formula One Car of the future; a 21cm long scale model designed using 3D solid modelling software and machined from a block of balsa wood, incorporating 3D print technology in its front and rear wings.

Considering India participated for the first time alongside highly competitive and developed nations of the world, the performance of Team Bolt has proven India's competitiveness globally in the field of science, technology and human resources. Moreover, it has made the country proud in the field of Formula One Car Racing too!

## Festival of lights

#### **AGS Gurgaon**

**Chandrei Choudhury** AGS Gurgaon, IB PYP Coordinator

The diversity in Amity Global School provides a starting point for children to understand and value the cultures of the world. What better way to do that, than to inquire about festivals from around the world. As a part of Diwali celebrations, AGS

students researched on the history of the various festivals associated with light. They collaborated with teachers in decorating the school with diyas, rangoli, paper lanterns, etc. made by them. Song and dance associated with Diwali were performed during the special assembly. The students of upper primary Classes compared Diwali with other light festivals like Fête des lumières, Hanukkah, Loi Krathong, etc in their presentation.GT





US University School Fair in full swing

# **US University School Fair**

#### ACCGC

Tnder the able guidance of Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools, Amity Career Counseling & Guidance Cell (ACCGC) organised 'The US Universities School Fair' in association with Linden Tours on October 17, 2013 at AIS Pushp Vihar. The delegation comprising representatives of 18 US universities, headed by Jobeth Brudner was welcomed by Ameeta Mohan, principal, AIS PV and Taruna Barthwal, career counselor and resource coordinator, ACCGC.

The fair was attended by students of all Amity schools, Amity Global Schools as well as students of SAT programme and parents. One teacher escort from each school was also present. The event provided the students a rare opportunity to secure first hand information on 18 US universities. The representatives guided

the students about the courses offered, eligibility criterion, admission process, scholarships and financial aid. The representatives were quite impressed with the Amity students and gave a positive feedback. The fair enhanced the students' knowledge about educational opportunities available abroad.

**Participating US universities:** •George Mason University •La Salle University • Fairleigh Dickinson University •Elon University •California State University •Hult International Business School 
North Carolina State University •Fordham University •Ithaca College •Florida International University • Iowa State University of Science and Technology 

State University of New York at Geneseo • Xavier

University, University of Colorado Denver •Florida Institute of Technology Loyola University Chicago
 Indiana University – Bloomington •Loyola Marymount University.



# Jai Shri Ram

#### **AIS Vasundhara 6**

o ignite the festive spirit and impart cultural values, students of Class Nursery and KG celebrated Ramleela on October 23-24, 2013 with pomp and splendour. They enacted 10 episodes of Ramavan which brought forth their acting, singing and dancing talents. The little ones came appropriately dressed as Shri Ram, Lakshman, Bharat, Shatrughan, vaanar sena, Ravan, Hanuman and Avodhvawasis. They made effigies of Ravan, Kumbhkarna, Meghnath and through the celebrations, learnt that good always conquers over evil.



Young stars of AIS Saket cricket team

## **Cricket** mania

#### **AIS Saket**

With the vision to promote effective leadership, health, fitness and healthy competition among students, AIS Saket organized a junior inter house cricket matches for students of Class III to IV in the month of October. The trials for selection of the house teams were held on a large scale. Every cricket enthusiast of the school yearning for selection got a chance to take part in the selection process. Students selected on the basis of talent, skill and energy level made it for the preliminaries, held on October 19, 2013.

The preliminary match that followed saw Alaknanda and Pawani team make it to the finals for the first and second position. Mandakini and Bhagirathi were selected to play for the third and fourth position.

The final match held on October 29 had the parents in attendance as well. A spirit of exhilaration accompanied by roaring applause filled the sports ground. The parents were quite excited to see their wards play it out in the match. The energy with which both the teams played, was phenomenal. Few breathtaking moments on the field captured the attention of the audience.

Amidst loud cheering from the home teams, Alaknanda house led its way to victory with Pawani at the second position. The match played between Mandakini and Bhagirathi saw Mandakini take the third position.

Sambhav Jain of Class IV C was declared the Man of the Match.GI

The tiny tots enjoyed singing devotional songs like "Raghupati Raghav Raja Ram", "Mangal Bhawan O Mangal

Hari", etc. Children were given Hanuman masks, gada, bow and arrows as a token of love which they decorated as a part of their art and craft activity.

The involvement of children in the festivities not only enhanced their knowledge about the festival but also brought them closer to their cultural roots.GT

## Walking in MUNlight

#### **AIS Mayur Vihar**

two day Model United Nations (MUN) was organised by AIS Mayur Vihar on October 30-31, 2013. Under the guidance of Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools, children paved the way for global leadership. Students of Class VIII-XII participated and displayed their remarkable knowledge on the functioning of UN. The objective of MUN was to inculcate



MUNers pave the way for global solutions

leadership qualities in children and sensitise them on global socio-political situation. The participants, dressed in

formal wear, gave the meet an authentic feel, as they geared up to meet the challenges of the times.

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Variety

GT has alway been a joyride. No, not the deadlines or running behind the writers. Having the freedom to think differently is what keeps me addicted to GT all the way. Radhika Ahuja, AIS Saket, X C, Page Editor





Food: I'm spicy! Movie: I'm spicy too! Food: I'm sweet. Movie: What a coincidence! I'm sweet too. Food and movies share an unimaginable analogy. Let's discover...

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Then the week is at the closing and we seek refreshment after exhausting ourselves with work, the two main sources of entertainment are, of course, food and movies. Now, here's a double dose as we combine the two. Presenting, all-new food corporations of movies...

The Pav Bhaji movies: The masala of giggles, the pyaaz of good songs and the nimbu of light and expected controversy make movies of this category a flavoured meal with no nutrition. Yet, for most of us, it is the flavour that matters at the end of the day. We indulge ourselves in pav bhaji and the box office grosses hundreds of crores. We all love 'Boss', 'Chennai Express' and 'Dabangg', don't we?

The Chocolate Truffle movies: "All you need is love. But a little chocolate now and then doesn't hurt." - Charles M. Schulz. This is the ethos of romance lovers who watch movies like 'Raanjhana', 'Yeh Jawaani Hai Deewani' and 'Aashiqui 2' with moist eyes. The box office is often governed by the fan following, but that hardly matters to chocolate lovers, as long as the chocolaty affair goes on!

The Pani Puri movies: The fragile puri contains way more *pani* than it can contain and it has to break to make its way into our mouth. Movies of this category too, have way too much content (or unrecognised content) leading them to falter at the box office. Movies like 'Swades', 'Mithya' and

'Dangerous Ishq' are proud members of this section, for they 'broke down' at the box office to take their message or content to the viewers. But there is a little difference, for we all love pani puri, but these movies don't do as much justice.

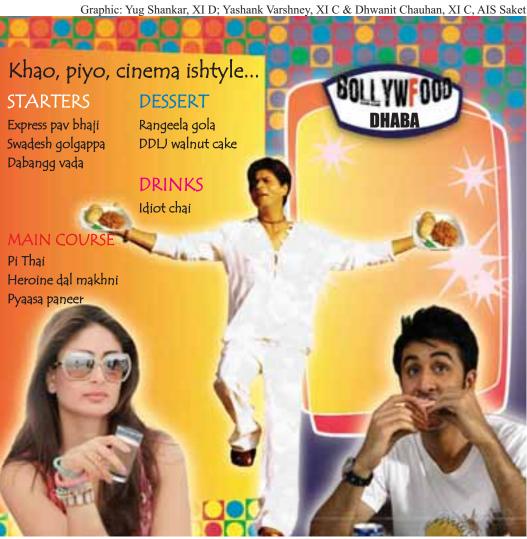
The Thai Stew movies: Health and nutrition is the service of this wondrous stew and nothing less is expected. These movies make it big, not necessarily on the money graph, but on the recognition scale. 'The Lunchbox', 'Stanley ka Dabba', 'Life of Pi' may not have made their way to every Indian's heart, but have managed to deliver both taste and nutrition at the same time.

The Gola movies: We're all familiar with Mumbai ka kala khatta. The essential element of this delicacy is the effort you have to make to reach its flavour. That's exactly what movies in this category have made us do. 'Zanjeer', 'Akaash Vani', 'Ramaiya Vastavaiya' are movies where substantial effort has to be made to understand the message. Those with weak teeth often prefer to give up on this obstacle and leave the theatre.

A Cup of Tea movies: Eat all you want, at the end of the day, it is this brew we all turn to for relaxation. And there exist some movies, which seen at any time, on any day, in any year, give us immense pleasure serving as the perfect chai ka pyala. '3 Idiots', 'Jab We Met', 'Dil Chahta Hai' are classic examples. Everyone adds different quantities of sugar, and makes this section of food their own. GI

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## An article without a headline The big black font which is the basis of our selection (or rejection) of any article has more importance than given. Here's a list of some items which too, would be

## incomplete without their better halves... 110 Pm

**English vinglish** The seemingly mundane language, English, is more crafty than you could have thought...

#### Nikita Ahooja, AIS Saket, X B

Then it comes to learning a new language, English is often the most preferred choice as it links us to the world. This language serves perfect as a game of words, which takes us back to Big B's legendary rendition, "English is a phunny language." Let's play this game we so fondly call English! At the end of a prolonged vacation, your nose runs and your feet smell. Oh! But isn't the general assumption quite the opposite? What is quick about quicksand? And for that matter, how round is the boxing ring? A vegetarian eats vegetables, so what does a humanitarian eat? Surprise, surprise! A Guinea pig is neither from Guinea nor is it a pig!

Ironical, isn't it? People recite at a play and play at a recital. In English, we ship by truck and cargo by ship! How can a 'slim chance' and a 'fat chance' be different, while a 'wise man' and 'wise boy' are the same? How can overlook and oversee be the opposite and 'quite a few' and 'quite a lot' are supposed to mean the same?

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nacy. We may be gramatically incorrect, yet English itself is often incorrect. However, it reflects the creativity of the human race (which of course, isn't a race at all.)

That is why, when the stars are out, they are visible, but when the lights are out, they are invisible. And when I wind up my watch, I start it, but when I wind up this article, I end it. GI

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