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"I had a dream but never dreamt of playing 100 international matches. This is unbelievable."

-Sunil Chhetri, Captain, Indian Football Team

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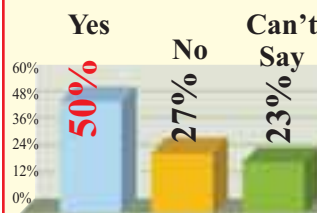
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Humans Everywhere!

Opting A Humane Outlook This July 11 Aka World Population Day

Alisha Taneja, GT Network

Unless you've been living under a rock, you know that every edition of GT carries a top story, which is what you are reading at the moment. This particular story is about population. But population has a story of its own, a story that is every bit humane. Population, like all human beings, has its shades of black, white, and grey. With its story wading through plots, at times it emerges as the hero, and at times, the villain.

When population grew, and it was a good thing!

'India' and 'Population' have become what peanut butter and jam are to each other. Say the two together and you know the predictable, just like a PB & J sandwich - India will soon overtake China to become the most populous country in the world. But then there's more to these burgeoning numbers than a mere spell of doomsday. A part of this high population translates into 2.5 million IT graduates every year, making India an IT hub and a back-end office for most of the world. Approximately, 402 million Indians fall in the bracket of working population, upping India's chances and pace of development. Yes, we get that more population means more mouths to feed, but it could also probably imply more hands to work.

When population grew, and it surely wasn't a good thing!

And then there is the example of Pakistan, where population sure was nothing but more mouths to feed. As the number of people went up, the resources refused to play along, remaining constant; the after-

math was acute food shortages. The result was inevitable, escalating prices of essential commodities like wheat, sugar, rice, pulses etc. More number of people were pushed below the poverty line and the economy, as a whole, dwindled. One can't help but compare population to a young, adolescent boy, who when shown the right

path grows up to become a life saving doctor, and when left astray remains the goondah on the road - uncontrollable.



So, we tried to keep the numbers low... and it helped!

Many countries of the European Union believe that their low, concentrated population is the secret behind maintaining luxurious lifestyles for their citizens. In the Netherlands, with a population roughly

1/100th of India's, the health benefits provided to the people are top-class, and are all borne by the government. So much so that if the patient needs an ambulance, they can even be airlifted! Population might just have the same story, where the less said, in this case, created the better.

And then there were times when low became lonely!

Although the perception has always been that low population may be easier to manage and will maintain a high standard of living on an average, countries like U.S.A felt that their competitiveness would rapidly decline if there is a decrease in the growth. As a result, they started taking immigrants, which they saw as a sure-shot way to garner a full-blown growth. The statistics show that the immigrants will make up for 88% of the population growth of the country in the next half a century. Then we have also heard the story of the single child, who gets lonely, craving for company. Perhaps, population, in its low avatar, can take an either turn.

And now these are just some versions of the same story called population, some shades of the same tale. And perhaps like every other human, population too has innate potential, and also the tendency to go astray. Maybe just like the human in all of us, it needs a little nurturing, a little extra care. Maybe it needs to be shown the right path, and needs to be given a little direction. Maybe all it really needs is a good writer, in the form of good governance and policies, and perhaps this story called population will also have its own happily ever after ending.  

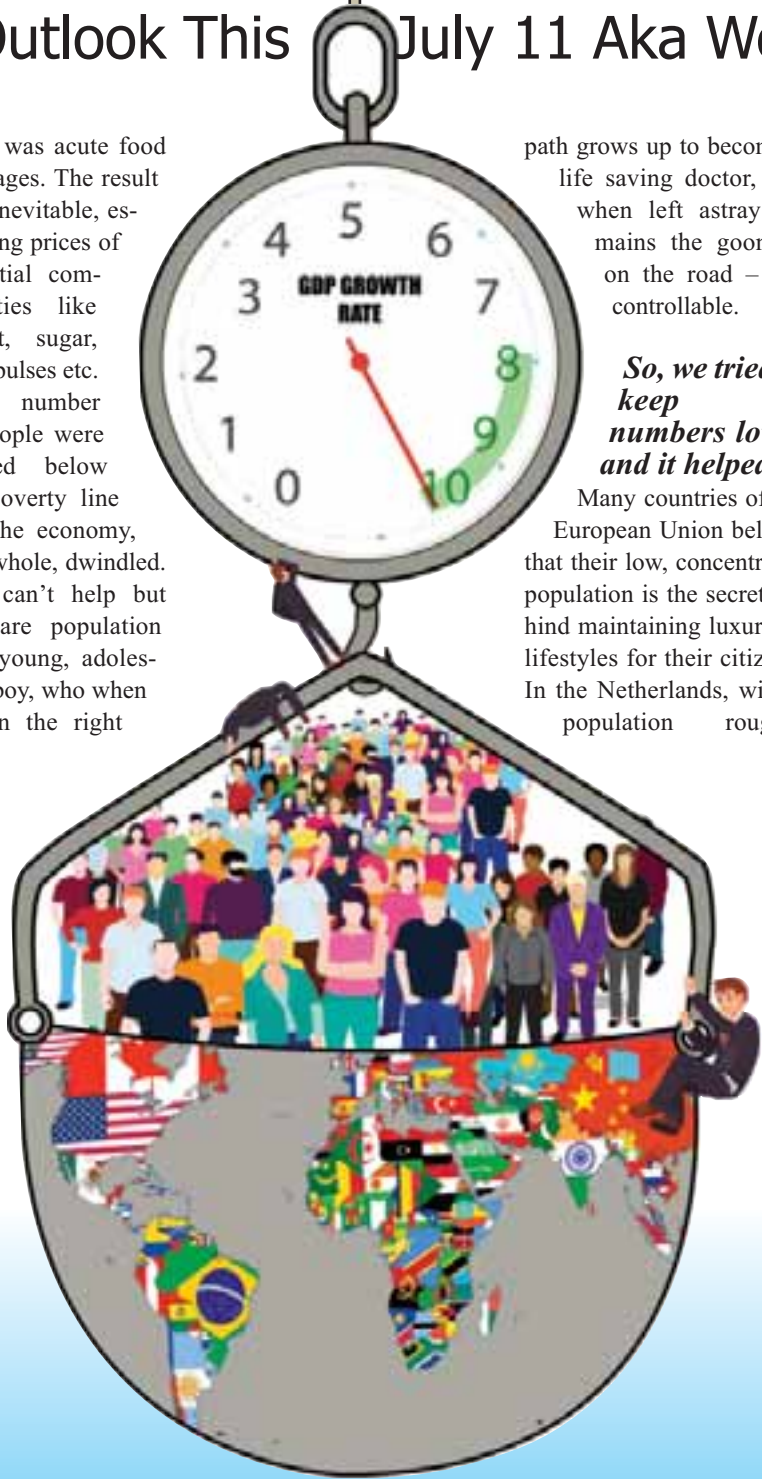


Illustration: Pankaj Mallik, GT Network

The neutrino effect

The Man Who Redefined Solar Radiations and Scientific Acumen

When GT reporters met Dr Takaaki Kajita, Japanese Physicist and Nobel laureate, during his visit to Amity University where he was felicitated during a special convocation, it made for an enlightening conversation. Dr Kajita won the Nobel Prize for Physics in 2015 for the discovery of neutrino oscillations. His discovery, which showed that neutrinos have mass, helped solve a solar neutrino flux that had perplexed scientists across the globe for several years. Here are some insights of an intellectual mind who redefined science and solar system.

Redefining Physics

My study has left a huge impact on atomic physics. Previously, it was assumed that neutrinos didn't have mass. However, my research with Arthur McDonald proved otherwise. Now that has changed the way world used to research solar flares. I have cosmic rays and neutrinos to thank for this achievement.



Dr Takaaki Kajita with GT reporter

Redefining dedication

Although most of my research went without much difficulties, there were times when I had to face several challenges. But those challenges have only helped me perform better. I have dedicated the past 20 years to my studies and research, and my curiosity and perseverance are my key strengths.

Redefining learning

Schools and colleges must incorporate the latest researches and interactive analysis of latest inventions and discoveries in the curriculum to make students more aware of the recent scientific de-



velopments. This will help them develop scientific acumen.

Redefining research

Research is a time taking process. There is absolutely no doubt that it is a field meant for the ones who are hardworking, perseverant, and dedicated towards their aim. Children in their formative years should be allowed to engage in exploratory and immersive learning so that they can develop a knack for research. Funding in research still remains a challenge in many countries and is also the reason why research is not such a highly paid field. We need to encourage re-

search and redefine it so that it is seen as a viable career option.

Redefining future

Amity is one of the most prestigious institutes. I advice students to make most of the opportunities that are being provided to them and never give up on their dreams, no matter how hard the road might be. And that is the only way you can reshape and redefine your future.  

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Anannda Mittal & Dalaisha Aggarwal, X K; Nitya Gupta & Sehaj Ghuman, X L; AIS Noida

Award Galore

1987 – Asahi Prize

1989 – Bruno Rossi Prize

1999 – Nishina Memorial Prize

2002 – Panofsky Prize

2010 – Yoji Totsuka Award

2012 – Japan Academy Prize

2013 – Julius Wess Award

2015 – Nobel Prize in Physics

2016 – Fundamental Prize

Dr Takaaki Kajita

Around 3000 volunteer workers and 7000 artisans helped to build the temple.



Akshardham

From Russia, with love

Big Teams But Bigger Disappointments In World Cup



Shubham Shukla, GT Network

The biggest sporting event, the FIFA World Cup, has already bid farewell to favourites like Brazil, Germany, Spain and Argentina. Only one question remains: have big names from big countries lost their authority over the coveted trophy?

Nothing out of the blue

I did expect these 'big' countries to crash out! But twists and turns change the game. Brazil lacked a defining leadership and necessary chemistry. Germany has lost the magic they had in 2014 and Spain is rebuilding. The problems have been visible for these four countries since the qualification rounds. The way they all crashed out was a surprise, but their crashing itself was truly inevitable.

Shefali Ananta, AIESR, Alumna

If you look at Germany, they missed their legendary talisman Klose desperately because he is the tournament's record highest goal scorer. Argentina was too reliant on Messi. Spain fell to the clutches of pressure. I feel all of these flaws were visible even when we all expected them to go through irrespective of their flaws. It's an anomaly, but many like me saw it coming before June.

Shubham Ghoshal, AIS Vas 1, XII A

Pandemonium in Russia

I did not expect Germany and Spain to bow out so early on; they have a talented playing 11. They are the last two champions of the World Cup and yet it is such a shame that they have failed against some average team. Teams like Spain and

Germany are supposed to go past the Round of 16, no matter what! The Champions curse befalling Germany in the group stage was downright unlucky.

Rohan Yadav, AIS Gur 43, Alumnus

It has been a World Cup of unpredictable results. Hardly any matches have been one sided as teams with big names have struggled in this event which couldn't be ignored. The factual figures of the number of passes and attacks Spain made and still lost, stands as testament to the strange results that this World Cup has been seeing.

Abhinav Mallhotra, AIIT, MCA, Sem III



Sanju ki kahaani

Mrinal Verma, GT Network

'Sanju', the movie may have hit the 100 crore club but it also hit controversy with its far fetched justifications about Dutt's controversial life. This raises the query of whether the movie truly is a biopic, telling the story of what happened, or is it a fictional story created to clean up the dirty image of a has-been.

Sanju baba ke liye pyaar

"Dutt has always been given a negative portrayal, but there is more to it than that, and the movie attempts to uncover it. Media often frames headlines in catchy phrases and exaggerates the scenario to attract more eyes. Dutt has been a victim of it, and this movie shows the same."

Nandika Mogha, AIS Noida, XII J

"The film neither glorifies him nor victimises him, but shows the different shades of a person who is struggling. He committed mistakes, but that is a part of human life. The problems that Dutt went through were always presented as a piece of gossip."

Nisha Nain, AIESR, Alumna

Sanju baba ke liye maar

"Bollywood always softens its stance on celebrities, which is why the movie downplays crimes as coincidences. But the movie feels like a one-sided effort to show the 'reality'. Hirani, swayed by his emotions, tried too hard to show Dutt as a victim and media as his arch enemy."

Jai Sharma,

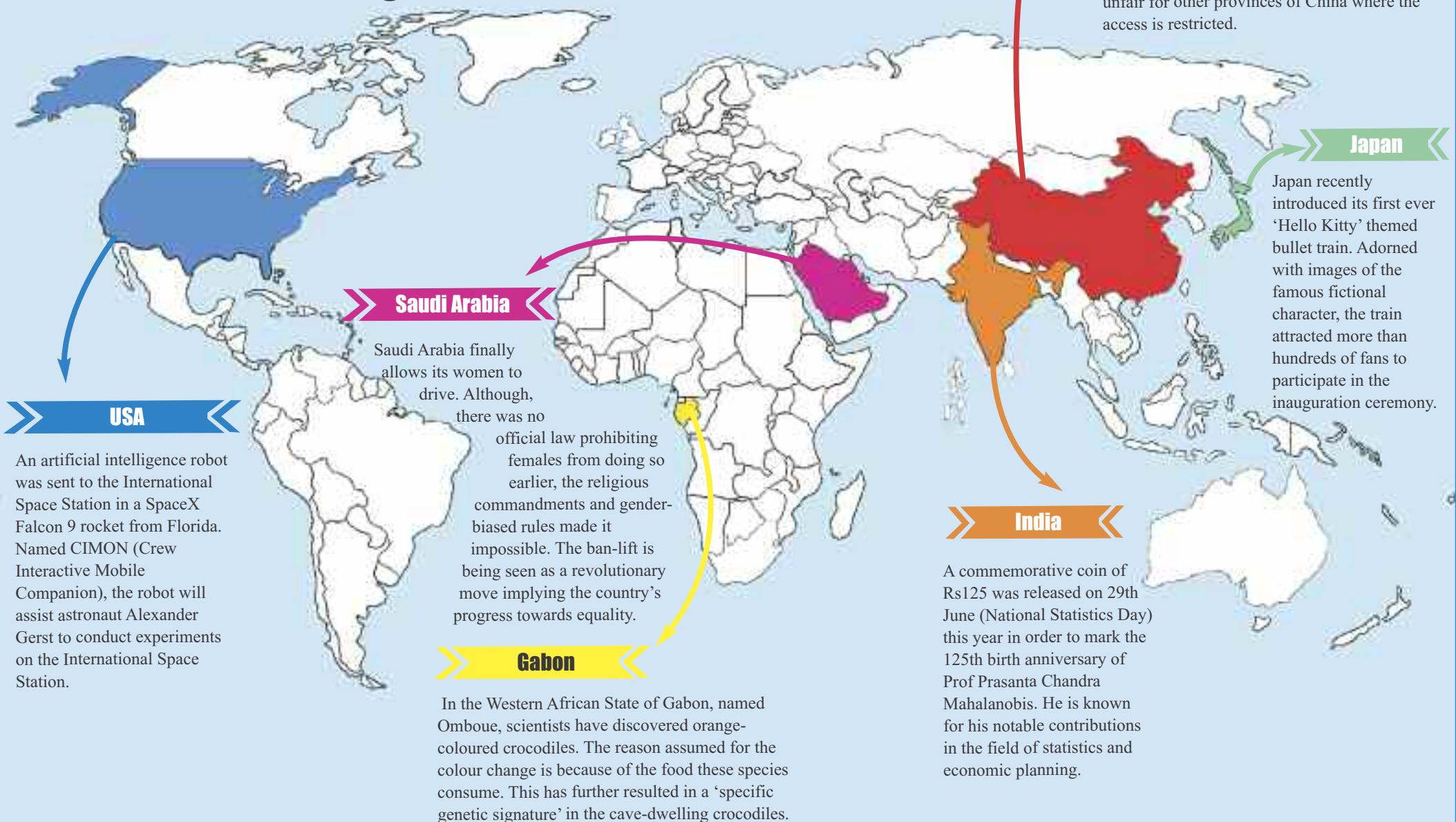
ASET, B Tech CSE, Sem VII

"The movie focused too much on blaming everyone just to prove Dutt's innocence. The movie took it too far by making him out to be a long-suffering hero who has never done anything wrong."

Priyansh Tewari, AIS MV, Alumnus

World at a glance

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Three Glittering Ceremonies For Scholars, Students and Experts



Chairperson with the Indian Team at the 7th Amity International Olympiad

AICE & ACSO

Intelligence, when coupled with hard work, brings its own rewards. The same was conspicuous during the three events organised by **Amity Institute For Competitive Examinations**. The events saw the celebration of intelligent minds who had worked hard to ace some of the most competitive Olympiads in the country. Here's a sneak peek into these events which rewarded the best minds.

What: Award ceremony of GTSE & NTSE

Where: Amity University, Noida

When: May 25, 2018

Why: To award the winners of GTSE & NTSE (Stage 1)

Who: Dr Sadhna Relia, Advisor & Head, International Cooperation, Department of Science & Technology (Chief guest); Dr Sadhna Srivastava, Scientist, IPR unit, Indian Council of Medical Research (Guest of Honour)

Amity Centre for Science

Olympiads, under the aegis of AICE, organised the GTSE & NTSE award ceremony. It felicitated the winners of GTSE and NTSE (Stage 1). NTSE (National Talent Search Examination) is one of the oldest scholarship exams in India which rewards exceptional aptitude in Science and Math. GTSE (Global Talent Search Examination), held every year

under the aegis of AICE, has been conceptualized by Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools & RBEF, to kindle scientific temperament and mathematical skills in students.

The event kick started with a shloka rendition by the students of Amitasha (Amity's wing for the less privileged girls). This was followed by a welcome address by Meenakshi Rawal, Director, AICE. She highlighted that the online examination had encouraged participation of students from countries like Russia, USA and Indonesia.

Later, the students were awarded

with prizes and certificates, wherein Amity students shone bright. Aryan Gupta of AIS Gur 46 bagged Rank 4 and topped Gurugram district in NTSE (Stage 1). Samyak Jain of AIS Noida, too, topped in Noida district in the same exam by securing Rank 8. Sultan, the student from Indonesia won the online GTSE and was rewarded for the same.

Dr Sadhna Relia, the chief guest for the event, emphasised on the need for promoting interaction between scientists and mathematicians with students.

What: Valedictory function of National Mathematics Olympiad Workshop

Where: Amity University, Noida

When: May 25, 2018

Why: To culminate the week long National Mathematics Olympiad Workshop

Who: Dr K Ramachandran, Director, Defence Institute of Psychological research (Chief Guest); Dr Deepak Bhatnagar,

Secretary General, Pellets Manufacturers Association of India (Guest of Honour)

In its endeavour to hone the mathematical skills of the students, the National Mathematics Olympiad Workshop is organised every year under the aegis of AICE. The workshop, now in its seventh year, was attended by 250 students from 11 nations. The workshop saw students engage in a multitude of activities

that ranged from sessions with experts to various activities that enhance logical reasoning and problem solving.

The valedictory function of the workshop saw in attendance Dr Ashok K. Chauhan, Founder President, Amity Universe and Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools & RBEF. The ceremony saw the winners of National Mathematics Olympiad Workshop being awarded. Addressing the students, Dr K Ramachandra said, that India with its history of great learning hubs like Taxila and Nalanda, needs more Nobel laureates and such Olympiads will surely encourage more creativity and innovation.

What: Valedictory Function of the 7th Amity International Olympiad for Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry and Biology

Where: Amity University, Noida

When: May 26, 2018

Why: To culminate the 7th Amity International Olympiad for Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry and Biology and award winners for the same

Who: Dr Zakwan Ahmed, Director General – R & M & Impl. DRDO (Chief Guest); Dr Naval Kumar Verma, MD, Homeopathy (Guest of Honour); Rupam Shah CEO, Quality Education, India (Guest of Honour)

To promote the exchange of scientific skills, AICE organised the Amity International Olympiad for Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry and Biology. This

year, 250 students from 11 countries (including India) competed for two days in theory and practical tests of the four subjects.

The valedictory function of the Olympiad was graced by heads of Amity family, HE Shaida Mohammad Abdali, Ambassador of Afghanistan and HE Durdyev Parahat, Ambassador of Turkmenistan. The event began with a presentation where team leaders of all the nations shared their experiences of this competition. What followed was the awarding of winners with medals in various categories, wherein team Turkmenistan took home the Overall Olympiad Winner's trophy. Dr Zakwan Ahmed invited the students to participate in more of such Olympiads as they are the future of globalization. The event ended with a march-past of all countries, only to come again and grace the event again, next year. 🇮🇳 🇦🇫 🇹🇲

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Presents 

Brainleaks-243

FOR CLASS VI-VIII

Who has won the Miami
Open Men's singles title
2018?

- (a) Novak Djokovic
- (b) Andy Murray
- (c) John Isner
- (d) Jack Sock

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3 correct entries win
attractive prizes

Ans. Brainleaks 242: (b)

Winner for Brainleaks 242

- 1. Shivangi Singh, IX-A, AIS Gur -43
- 2. Anchit Gupta, X-D, AIS PV
- 3. Naina Surana, VII-C, AIS Gur-43

Name:.....

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Send your answers to The Global Times,
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your answers at brainleaks@theglobaltimes.in



Founder President shares his views on the occasion



L to R: Chairperson with Dr K. Ramachandran and other dignitaries; Team Kyrgyzstan at the 7th Amity International Olympiad Valedictory Function; Winners of GTSE and NTSE

It has an area of 83,342 sq ft approximately, and is 350 ft long, 315 ft wide, and 141 ft high.



Ashardham

Colour your Way...

...To A Stress Free Life

Tanishka Roy & Yash Verma
AIS Gur 46, XII A

Sometimes a mix of colours, the stroke of a paint brush, or the rattling of a crayon box is all you need to bring yourself some peace of mind. Life grows harder as you age, and an outlet to the pent-up emotions becomes necessary. Art therapy, since its inception in the 1940s by Margaret Naumburg, has proven to help a large number of people undergoing stress and other mental as well as physical issues. In every experiment, it has only been accounted as having positive results. With the capability to alleviate fatal diseases like cancer, art therapy is the solution to look forward to. The time has come that we take it as a serious solution to the growing stress and anxiety issues amongst adults of this

modern generation, and not just as a creative activity undertaken by young children.

A blessing to your worldly stressing!

Everyone needs and deserves a break from life's tough problems that keep nagging us. Colouring requires focus on one thing and attention to detail. As we concentrate on the activity, our brain de-stresses and relaxes. Relaxing our brain cells lowers activity in amygdala, a hormone which is responsible for our fight-or-flight mode towards stress. Colouring is surely a fighter in that aspect.

It's a magical elf to the therapy of self!

The American Art Therapy Association defines art therapy as "a mental health profession in which clients, facilitated by the art therapist, use art media, the



creative process, and the resulting artwork to explore their feelings, reconcile emotional conflicts, foster self-awareness, manage behaviour and addictions, develop social skills, improve reality orientation, reduce anxiety, and increase self-esteem." The best part of this therapy is you don't always need a therapist. All you need is a free mind and few colours to make your therapy yield miracles. Few surveys have pointed out how colouring is even replacing meditation for people across the world.


The pills to motor your creative skills!

Colouring improves the motion, action and gripping skills of people who decide to indulge into the beautiful world of colours. makes for a great exercise routine for the muscles of our hands, fingers and wrist, making us better in typing and sports activities, which require quick use of our hand muscles. Many physiotherapists in America are prescribing this in place of other complicated exercises. Who thought that exercising could be so much fun?

The prism to your sense of optimism!

The process of colouring also comes with nostalgia, reminding us of simpler times when life was basic and uncomplicated, our greatest stress was catching our favourite cartoon on the TV, and finishing the homework on time. Furthermore, "Focusing on shading a picture may encourage the substitution of negative contemplations and pictures with charming ones," says Dr Joel Pearson, researcher at the University of New South Wales. Now, it is scientifically proven that

colouring is sure to leave a lasting smile on your face.

Whether it has been a tiresome day or a stressful week, art therapy is bound to engulf you, make you forget the worldly problems that occupied your mind, and bring you a sense of peace, which is highly needed by every person in today's highly stressful times. So what are you waiting for? Spread the canvas, pick up your favourite paints, brushes and colours to smear the shades of happiness on the canvas of your stress-free life! 

A balloon which blows itself

Now No One Needs to Tire Their Mouths Blowing Balloons at Parties!

Science Experiment

Materials required

- An empty glass bottle
- A packet of balloons
- A bottle of vinegar
- A funnel
- Food colour
- Sodium bicarbonate (Baking soda)
- A piece of paper

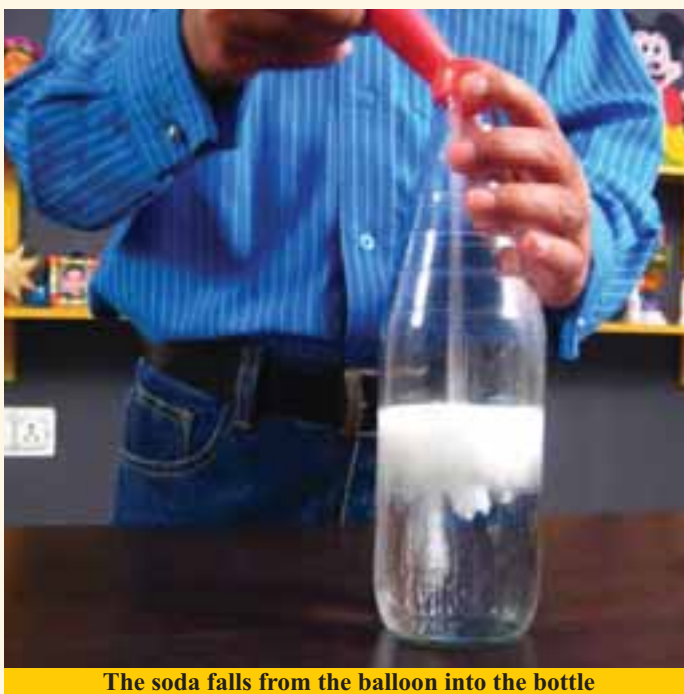
Method

- Take the glass bottle and fill half of it with vinegar. Add a few drops of the food colour to the vinegar. Adding the food colour is optional, but you can do it to make the experiment more interesting.
- Take a balloon and stretch it like you would when you are blowing air into it.
- Now, take a spoonful of baking soda and put it inside the already stretched balloon. You can use a funnel for this step.
- Once the balloon is filled, shake it well so that all the powder settles at the bottom of the balloon and nothing remains at the brim.
- Attach the balloon to the mouth of the glass bottle properly.
- Now, watch as your balloon gets inflated on its own.

Text: Parth Mathur, AIS Vas 1, V



Fix the balloon on the bottle



The soda falls from the balloon into the bottle



The magical balloon inflates on its own

Science is the magic

- At the end of the experiment, you will observe that the balloon, as soon as it is attached to the bottle, starts blowing up gradually.
- Vinegar, which is an acetic acid, chemically reacts with sodium bicarbonate (baking soda) which is basic in nature. The two mix to produce carbonic acid (H_2CO_3), which is known to be a weak acid. Carbonic acid further decomposes to form Carbon dioxide (CO_2) gas, which is the least dense of all the materials that were being used for the experiment.
- Ultimately, the accumulation of Carbon dioxide gas leads to the expansion or inflation of the balloon.



The external wall comprises of 200 sculptured stone figures of monks, acharyas, and deities.

Believe in God



Dr Amita Chauhan
Chairperson

Every year when I watch one batch of students step out of the school portals to start a new chapter of their lives, transitioning to become professionals, entrepreneurs, leaders, etc, I feel so proud. I am confident that whatever they become in life, the virtues of BHAAG will guide them along the way. Herein, I would like to share a story with you.

Once upon a time a young science researcher deployed with Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BARC), was strolling on the sea beach when he saw an old man reading the Gita. Amused, he said mockingly, “Don’t waste time reading these books which may not even be relevant today. Instead, spend time researching about Science like me, which may benefit our country in progress.” The old man kept quiet.

Suddenly, a swanky car stopped near him. Six security guards got down, saluted the old man and escorted him towards the car. Bewildered, the young man rushed towards the old man and asked him who he was? The old man smiled and introduced himself as Dr Vikram Sarabhai, founder and director of BARC. The young man stood shocked. The most renowned and visionary scientist of India stood before him and he had failed to recognise him. Dr Sarabhai turned towards the young man and said, “Remember, all that you see in the world is because of God. This book is the guidance of God and without God we are nothing.” In the same way, my children, remember that wherever you are, whatever you achieve, it is important to keep believing in God because this whole creation is his art and we only unravel the mysteries he has created. [G](#) [T](#)

Sayo nara



Vira Sharma
Managing Editor

The other day when my son mentioned that he was going for his school alumni meet, I was confused. He had just come back from an alumni meet last week. “So what was that”, I questioned? “This is different mom. It is school Nursery meet. I shall be meet-

ing all my friends with whom I first joined the school in Nursery.” School memories never die and we live those memories each day. While making this edition, especially the ‘Farewell’ pages, nostalgia gripped once again. Memories of school teachers and friends flashed in front of eyes. Now as you prepare to move ahead, you also walk down the memory lane of the ‘School days’. The nostalgic memories of school building and galleries stand witness to your countless mischiefs and merriment. That class reminds you of where learning joined hands with fun. Those labs remain etched as the place where chemicals and tools were your only toys and that large playground which gave you many field days.

Another session is over and another batch is ready to explore the new world. New hopes have filled up minds but the hearts remain with the school. The pleasure of scoring top ranks is inevitably accompanied with the gloom of moving away from the loved ones with whom you have spent the most crucial years of your life. All these are not mere memories, they are the testimony of who you are. So, do say ‘Sayo Nara’ but remember that these times and bonds are for eternity. It’s only a mile in the journey which has come to an end and the rest of the beautiful journey awaits you. Remember, one ‘Bye’ is equal to thousands of ‘Hello’. [G](#) [T](#)

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Must say no to drugs

Get Addicted To A Life of Learning And Love Instead Of Drugs

Pic: Karnika Pagaria, AIS Vas 1, XII

Dr Monica Mongia, Associate Professor, NDDTC, AIIMS, talks about various risk factors associated with drug addiction in an exclusive interview with GT reporters. Here are excerpts.

Age

Studies have shown that usually children between 12-17 years of age start experimenting with drugs. This is primarily due to the fact that young children are often dealing with issues like loneliness, parental differences, social and peer pressures, academic stress etc, and see drugs as an easy way out. While coping with drug addiction is difficult, it is even more difficult in the case of children. This is because these children are also coping with numerous other stresses, which makes it difficult to overcome the problem.

Demographics

There are certain geographical areas where there is abundance of plants like cannabis, hemp, poppy, etc. Also smoking and consumption of substances like bhang, ganja, marijuana, etc, is quite acceptable in some cul-

tures. Such factors make the population living in these areas more vulnerable to drug abuse.

Availability

There are certain sections of youth, especially school and college students who get addicted to whiteners, thinners, cough syrups and similar substances. Since these items are easily available and also legal, it is easy for a person to fall prey to them. But, the use of such items is merely the beginning of much more serious forms of addiction. Once a person gets used to them, he is open to use of other stronger drugs, which are more potentially harmful.

Identification

Another factor that contributes to the problem of drug addiction is its identification. Since drug addiction is not a problem that has immediate and conspicuous physical symptoms, identifying it as a problem takes some time. It is important to observe a person carefully for certain signs and symptoms in order to ascertain whether the person is dealing with any



Dr Monica Mongia in conversation with GT reporters

form of drug addiction. If the person is finding it hard to concentrate even on normal tasks, is restless for most of the time, has unexplained headaches and pain in body, has redness in eyes with behavioural changes then these are indicators that the person might be addicted to drugs.

Rehabilitation

Rehabilitation of drug addicts is a dif-

ficult and time taking process. It is for this very reason that many people fall prey to the problem even after they quit. Will power of the person suffering from addiction is important for successful rehabilitation. [G](#) [T](#)

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National anthem = national pride?

Is It Worth Fussing Over Fifty Two Seconds Of Temporary Nationalism?

Perspective

Nandini Ramesh

AIS Gur 43, XII B

It’s been more than a year since the Supreme Court made it mandatory for the national anthem to be played in movie halls before the start of a movie. The move continues to be questioned till date and people are still busy taking sides in the argument. The ones arguing have all sorts of points to make. From “patriotism can’t be forced” to “how does one feel patriotic when headed for masala-laden *gana bajaana*”, the views have been far and wide. As hard as I try to understand the flurry of opinions surrounding the subject, it is hard to fathom what is so debatable about standing up for 52 seconds to pay respect to our own country, when we have 3 hours to spare for a movie? A closer look and it is not tough to realise that the decision has had quite a positive impact over this past year. Al-



most every middle-class family in India plans a movie outing once in a while, and they make sure that every member of the family is a part of this ritual. This basically increases the chances of re-acquainting an individual with the national anthem, which is otherwise lost in the daily humdrum.

The move has played a key role in making even the younger children more aware of the sense of pride one has in their anthem and are often seen eagerly belting out the verses. While many are creating an uproar, let’s not forget that all this outrage is taking place only because we are an

independent nation where the citizens are guaranteed the freedom of speech. This has been possible as a result of the sacrifices of our freedom fighters. Showing respect for this free nation they bequeathed us with is the least we can do. Standing up for the national anthem is perhaps an iota of step in this direction. Besides, there is nothing like the national anthem to reiterate the allegiance between Indians and their motherland. When the mellifluous strains of the anthem fill up the environs with an unusual sense of pride, commitment and fervour fills up the Indian soul. This feeling of being united and connected to one another, the pride in belonging to this nation, singing along to a melody that we’ve known for years, with our heads held high is an experience in itself. It is an experience that should swell our hearts with pride and not our twitter handles with debate. An experience that need not be restricted to merely cinema halls. [G](#) [T](#)

Little pearls of wisdom

Kindness outshines greed

Kashvi Gupta, AIS Saket, VI

Once upon a time, there were three brothers in a village called Rampur. Stricken with poverty throughout their life, they would travel to a temple every day, praying to become rich. One day, when they were praying as usual in the temple, they suddenly heard a divine voice that asked them to offer holy water to the nearby river. The next morning, the three of them

set out on their journey, carrying a bottle of water. Each one of them was met by a thirsty dog, an old man, and a small crying baby on their way. The first two brothers, in the greed of becoming rich, ignored the dog, the old man and the crying baby. The third brother, on the other hand, offered a little water to the dog, some to the old man, and some to the crying baby. By the time he reached the river, he was left with no water to offer to the river. The other two brothers laughed at

him for being foolish. Soon they turned into stone for being greedy, whereas the third brother was rewarded with wealth and luxuries. The story tells us how people who do not let go of kindness even in times of their own need are rightfully rewarded. One should always look out to extend help to others, no matter how difficult the situation gets. Always remember that God sees everything and he never lets a good deed go without a reward.



Farewell 2018



Alvida, kehna aur kya

AIS Gur 43

Pic: Pratham Maheshwari, AIS Gur 43, XI C

Jashn-e-Rukhsat

Karan Dhall & Sanya Goel
AIS Gur 43, XII

An air of adieu engulfed the school. After all, a batch was departing, leaving behind a treasure trove of memories. 'Jashn-e-Rukhsat' was the chosen name for this final celebration. Replete with fun-filled activities ranging from a dazzling ramp walk to singing and dancing to flaunting your

GK about the school; the event was worth reminiscing. Those who passed successfully through the various talent rounds battled for the position of Ms and Mr Amity. The rounds were interspersed with energetic dance performances by the current batch of Class XII, who then invited the seniors to shake a leg in the final performance. As everyone grooved to the music, one was reminded that goodbyes can be fun too. 🇮🇳



AIS Gur 46

Pic: Mehul Chopra, AIS Gur 46, XII H

Ibaadat ki shaam

Mugdha Jain, XI F & Parul Munjal, XI D, AIS Gur 46

As the alumni entered the building one last time, there was an air of jubilation with tints of nervousness. With sparkling saris sweeping the floor and bow ties outshining each other, the farewell 'Shubhashkeesh' was a star studded affair. They were treated every bit like stars as they received a grand welcome from their juniors.

There were several action-packed performances on Bollywood numbers, along with a beatboxing item. Titles like 'junior ki favourite' and 'punjabi kudi' were given out. Games such as 'identify the teacher's voice' were organized. The highlight was Mr and Ms Amity contest. The event ended with an open DJ. The Amity Flag was handed over to the juniors, and the alumni bid a final goodbye to their second home. 🇮🇳

Pic: Naomi Rajwanshi
AIS Noida, XII B

AIS Noida



AIS Vas 1

Pic: Utsav Sharma, AIS Vas 1, XII A

Saaz Beete Dino Ka

Excitement (undercurrents of nostalgia notwithstanding) was conspicuous as the students set out to give farewell to the batch of 2018. The outgoing students, dressed to their nines, arrived for ribbon cutting at the auditorium. Scintillating performances and pulsating music

rocked the ambience. Students of the current batch presented an interesting skit and a melodious Qawwali which entertained the audience. Many interesting games were played to pep up the celebrations. The stage was set ablaze with the Mr and Ms Amity Contest. However, amidst all celebrations, a sense of melancholy crept in the valedictory speeches. The soon-to-be-alumni pledged to never forget the lessons they had learnt here and were taking away with themselves. 🇮🇳

Salaam-e-Taleem

Himadri Seth, XII & Aditya K Das, XI, AIS Saket

Amidst the vigorous dhol beats, the fashionably turned out 'Dons' and 'Divas' of the outgoing batch were ushered in by the Principal, teachers and the present Class XII. The event began with a candid 'question-answer' session which fetched answers straight from the students' hearts. The ceremony witnessed dance performances by the present batch and a variety of novel games. The teacher's

qawwali: "Ghar se toh bag pack karke chale, par school aana bhool gaye; Insta pe toh photo khoob daali, School ID laana bhul gaye" lead to giggling faces. The glittering award ceremony felicitated the passouts. The customary cake-cutting served as a wonderful addition to the programme. The poignant poem composed by the present batch dedicated to their seniors stirred everyone's emotions. An enthusiastic dance session followed and countless pictures were clicked, leaving trails of memories to be kept close in the hearts. 🇮🇳



AIS MV

AIS Saket



Pic: Tushti Sharma AIS Saket, XI

Pic: Sagar Kaistha, XI A & Jasnoor Pruthi, X B, AIS MV

Waqt ki Lehrein

Nandini Sukhija, AIS MV, XII G

The red carpet was rolled out as anxious faces looked on. Young adults, all dressed to impress, flooded in as showering petals and warm smiles greeted them. The enthralling performances made the audience groove. The pho-

toothbooth ensured an Insta revamp as the passouts posed, pouted and clicked. Girls wrapping boys in saris, and they walking the ramp was the highlight of the day! Embarrassing photos made it to 'Guess Who', leaving everyone in splits. Titles like "Sabki Pasand Nirma" and "Amity Ka Ranveer" were given away. 🇮🇳

Lauz-e-Khairiyat

Mansha K, AIS Vas 6, XI D

From 'My flashlight' to 'Tera yaar hu main', emotions were synchronized with songs, highlighting the innumerable memories of the batch of 2018. Filled with enthusiasm, the students of

Class XI gathered to say 'Alvida' to their outgoing seniors. Titles were given to the students like Mr & Ms Khiladi. From saree-clad young ladies to graceful gentlemen donning suits, from dance to music, from comedy to sermons, it was a day which sure had it all. 🇮🇳



AIS PV

Pic: Soumya Goel, AIS PV, XII D

Meethe Lamhe

Dhairya Chaudhary, XII C & Yashika Thapar, XII F, AIS PV

Ironically titled Cheerio, farewell 2018 was no less than a televised reality drama: bitter rivalries, streams of tears, drop dead gorgeous outfits, and paparazzi! No shocker, since the theme was TV shows. The parting batch entered to

dhol beats and left to thumping beats of the jam session. From the red carpet welcome to some turning green with envy as titles were announced, it was one colourful event! From a series of performances to the ZNMD Parody, from funny hosts to the oldest band member singing his first song, everything seemed too good to be remembered. 🇮🇳



AIS Vas 6

Pic: Abhishek Singh, AIS Vas 6, XI A

It consists of 234 carved pillars, 9 ornate domes, a 'Gajendra Pith', and 20,000 statues.



Akshardham

Train number 45120

Storywala



Khwaish Gupta
AIS Gur 46, XII

“MAY I HAVE YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE? Train number 45120 from Udhampur via Kalwara to Jalandhar will be arriving at 3:40 hours on platform no. 4.” Taking out my phone, I messaged Maa, “Will be home by evening.” It was probably the ticket-collector on night duty whose voice echoed across

the deserted station, “The train is arriving.” I picked up my luggage and walked towards the edge of the platform when I saw the train coming. I tried to peep inside the dark windows only to espy an abandoned cave. Apprehension brewing in my mind, I decided to board the train, nonetheless. As I stepped inside, I kept my luggage down to take out the ticket from my wallet. Seat no 911. There was something eerie about

the number 911. A little sceptical, I decided to check the chart bearing the names of passengers. Weird, not only because it had two names at the same seat number D-911, but also because the other name was ‘Yamaraj’. A creepy seat number and having ‘Yamaraj’ as your co-passenger made me reconsider my decision to board the train. The engine hooted and the train started. Reluctant, I managed to board the train. Just as I stepped inside, the

There was something eerie about the number 911. A little sceptical, I decided to check the chart bearing the names of passengers.

door behind me closed. Panic crawled up my nerves. It was more morbid than it had seemed from outside. Having left no recourse, I turned towards the aisle, hoping to find my seat. After 10 more minutes of lethal silence, I couldn’t bear it any longer. I walked past the aisle again, throwing open all the curtains of other compartments. They all spoke silence. I saw pale faces, hollow eyes and toothless grin. I couldn’t help but run, till I bumped into a guy in black whom I instinctively knew to be Yamaraj. “Welcome,” said Yamaraj. “Be seated and you will reach your destination.” “But, they are ghosts!” I shouted. “You will join them too.” I recalled the article on the Chenab bridge being incompletely constructed, the bridge on which train number 45120 was moving currently. 🇮🇳



Zesty vanilla cake

Vaidehi Agarwal
AIS Vas 1, IX

Ingredients

Flour4 cup
Baking powder 2 tsp
Butter (melted) 1 cup
Powdered sugar1 cup
Milk 1 cup
Vinegar3 tsp
Vanilla essence 1 tsp

Method

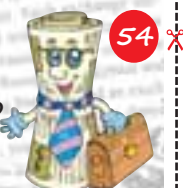
■ Mix the flour, baking powder, butter, sugar and vanilla

essence in a bowl.

- Add milk and vinegar to the mixture and beat the batter till it is smooth.
- Grease a 7”- 8” baking pan.
- Transfer the mixture to the baking pan.
- Bake at 180 degrees for 20 minutes.
- Let it cool. Once cooled, take it out from the baking dish.
- You can add a creamy texture to the cake by piping frost icing on the top.

Read Play and Win

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



Q: Which country won the overall Amity International Olympiad Trophy?
Ans:

Q: Who is the author of the article National anthem = National pride on page 5?
Ans:

Q: What was the farewell theme for AIS Gur 43?
Ans:

Q: Which story has been printed in this edition as a part of ‘10 years of GT’ series?
Ans:

Q: Who is the author of the article Irony vs Human Brain on page 12?
Ans:

Q: What is the number of the train in the story written by Khwaish Gupta?
Ans:

Q: What is the name of the butterfly in the story on page 9?
Ans:

Q: Which city did GT Travel to on page 12?
Ans:

Q: Which international tournament has been discussed in Halla Bol?
Ans:

Name: Class: School:

Result of Read, Play & Win- 53: **Anuradha Arora**
AIS Vasundhara 1, V A

WORDS VERSE



Beside a lake

Shagun Jain, AIS PV, X

Today I wish to write
The day suddenly feels right

Can I write something funny?
The sky above is bright & sunny

Seldom do I get a break

To go and sit beside a lake

A place with the most serene air
To me it seems immensely fair

Yes, I know a place like this
Which I’m sure you cannot miss

Once in life, do I get this chance
When my heart wishes to dance

All my worries then go astray
As the rain washes them away

This beat is what my heart makes
As I sit beside a lake 🇮🇳

Summer vacation

Samiksha D, AIS Noida, IX K

Pack your suitcases
And off to the railway station!
Having fun without hesitation
Here comes summer vacations!

Let’s make some preparations
Reserve a longer duration
No need to resist the temptations
It’s time for summer vacations!

Planning international curations

And ready to leave the nation
Can’t wait to see the destination
Fun begins in summer vacations

Visit exotic locations
Find your soul’s culmination
Smiling wide, what a situation
It’s time for summer vacations!

Remove all the negations
And every kind of irritation
Let’s discover nature’s creations
The lovely summer vacations 🇮🇳



CAMERA CAPERS

Kaustubh Aggarwal, AIS Noida, XII

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A bonfire to spread the fire of bonhomie in the world



Twinkle twinkle little star, of the deep sea I am the Czar



Orange, yellow, red and blue; sky today has every hue



Akshardham temple located in Gujrat is surrounded by Narayan Sarovar, a lake which carries water from 151 rivers and lakes.

The plight of a flower

Wisdom Tale



Imaging: Dinesh Kumar, GT Network

Avya Roy, AIS Vas 6, V

Bitty, the beautiful butterfly, flew across the city every morning to look for food and the nectar from the flowers. This particular morning, she flew from one corner to the other but did not come across any garden or lawns with flowers that she could feed upon. The city had become a concrete jungle, and the greenery was slowly depleting. Bitty felt pity for the sorry state of the gardens and orchards. “Am I to die starving today?” Bitty wondered, looking around for one last time. Fortunately, she stumbled upon a garden where

she spotted one fresh flower. She quickly flew towards it and greeted, “Hello, pretty flower! Thank God! I found you. Now I can survive for a few more days.” The flower looked sad and was drooping. It gloomily said, “Your happiness won’t last long. I am the last surviving flower in this garden. My petals have dried and I am also about to die. How can I provide you with nectar?” Bitty looked around the garden and saw that the other flowers, which had been its best friends, had all disappeared. She asked, “Where are the others? Seems like they’re all gone.” With this, the sad flower began to cry. Bitty couldn’t understand

what she could do to help. Her friends, her life-givers were slowly withering away. As Bitty’s tears flowed, her flower-friend consoled her. Suddenly, Bitty was struck with a brilliant idea. She flew straight out of the garden and went towards a group of small kids playing on the pavement. As soon as the children saw the butterfly, her colourful wings allured them. It was not long before they began chasing her, trying to touch her wings. Bitty flew back to the garden, knowing that the children would follow her blindly. As they reached the middle of the garden, she called out to them and said, “I will let you all

Bitty was struck with a brilliant idea. She flew straight out of the garden and went towards a group of kids playing on the pavement.

touch my wings if you help me out.” The children were eager to know what they could do. She asked them, “Why do you prefer playing in the streets instead of playing in this beautiful garden?” One of them replied, “Do you not see the shabby condition of this place? How can we enjoy being here?” Bitty smirked, because she was expecting this response. She took advantage of the situation and retorted, “I’m glad that you are aware about the pathetic condition of this place. How about we all join hands and revive this garden? You can make this garden beautiful by watering all the trees and tending to the flowers. I’m sure it will become better and greener if we take care of it properly.” The children understood what Bitty said and were more than ready to undertake this task. In a short period of time, the garden was alive again blooming with flowers, fresh fragrance and green grass than before! Happiness prevailed and life was beautiful once again in the garden! 🇧🇩

So what did you learn today?
If you take care of nature, it will surely shower its bounty upon you.

It's Me



KNOW ME

Name: Shiven Jain
School: Amity International School, Noida
Class: KG
Birthday: October 19

MY LIFE, MY LIKES & DISLIKES

Like: Playing cricket, reading books
Dislike: Swimming
Role model: MS Dhoni
Best friend: Aditi Gupta

MY FAVOURITES

Book: Story of Ramayana
Game: Cricket
Mall: DLF Mall of India
Food: Pav Bhaji
Teacher: Niharika Ma’am
Poem: Aeroplane where are you going?

MY DREAMS

I want to become: A cricketer
I want to feature in GT because: I want other Amitians to know me.

POEM

No junk for me

Vandita Sharma
AIS Saket, IV B

Junk food causes many diseases
We eat as our tongue pleases

Its chemicals are carcinogenic
Grips people like an epidemic!

In our metropolitan cities
Junk food availability is a pity

Everyone here is so busy
Junk food makes them tizzy!

They’ve made junk so tasty
So people fall for it easily

But one should avoid cravings
Lest it shows up in our savings!

It is a part of our lifestyle
We all savour pizza and fries

Junk food is addictive
Falling ill is too predictive!

But we have begun the change
Keeping junk out of range

Birthday parties will be grand
If junk food was banned!

Enjoy the fresh fruit juice
Mr Junk, you’re of no use

With healthy main course laid
The love for junk will fade!

Junk food seems to hypnotise
But we must pause and analyse

Start a healthy food revolution
No to junk is the only solution!

Pledge towards a healthy life
As junk puts health at strife 🇧🇩



Bumble bee popsicle puppets

Material Required

- Ice cream sticks
- Scissors
- Yellow chart paper
- Black chart paper
- Pink chart paper
- White chart paper
- A black sketch pen



STEP 1: Start by making the body of the bee by cutting 1 medium and 1 large circle out of the yellow sheet. Stick the medium circle onto the large circle, such that it is overlapping the larger circle. The smaller circle will make the head and the larger circle will form the body.



STEP 2: Cut out two thin stripes from the black paper and paste them on the larger circle to make stripes.



STEP 3: Draw eyes and face of the bee with the help of a black sketch pen.



STEP 4: Take two strips of black paper and paste them behind the head of the bee to make the antenna.



STEP 5: Cut out any shape of your choice (hearts/flowers etc) and stick it on the antenna to decorate the bee.



STEP 6: Cut out a triangle from the black chart paper and paste it behind the bottom end of the larger circle to make the tail. Stick an ice cream stick behind the bee’s body.



STEP 7: Cut out two tiny circles from the white chart paper. Paste one on top of the larger circle (i.e the body) and one behind it to make the wings.



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Amitasha: Sandesh Tarang

Celebrating The Holistic Education, Empowerment And Engagement of Girl Child

Amitasha, the philanthropic brainchild of Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools & RBEF, celebrated its third Annual Day on May 15, 2018 at Amity University, Noida. The event commenced with the ceremonial lighting of lamp by Chief Guest Geeta Pandey, Editor for Women and Social Affairs, BBC Online India; Guest of Honour, Padmashri Dr Saroja Vaidyanathan, Bharatnatyam dancer; Heads of Amity institutions and other dignitaries. Following this, the audience was shown a short film based on the lives of young girls of Amitasha, which grabbed the nerves of the audience. Emotions rode high as Chairperson took to stage, to address the gathering, sharing her dreams for the betterment of girl child in India. She emphasised on the importance of educating the girl child for building progressive societies, nations and thus, the world.

Quoting from Indian scriptures she said, "Every person has hundred lucks *Saubhagya* gifted by Almighty. The ones who get lucky once gets a son, but the ones whose all hundred lucks come together to create a strong cosmic force are blessed with a daughter. This is the power of a girl child, as such magnificent unison of all the hundred lucks happens very rarely. So, a girl child is very precious and blessed are the ones having daughters as it is their 'Saubhagya' manifested in life."



Chairperson with her beloved children of Amitasha as she stresses upon the importance of educating every girl child



Anushka Mishra receives Dr Asha Bhargava Memorial Award



A dance drama inspired from 'Hitopdesha'

A message

To celebrate the 'Saubhagya' of being a girl child, over 1000 students of Amitasha from different branches got together to present an enthralling dance drama titled 'Sandesh Tarang' based on the worldly wisdoms and moral messages from the stories of 'Hitopdesha'. With mellifluous music, delightful props and

graceful dance moves, every story presentation was a rhythmic spectacle to watch. The young performers exuded lot of charm and cheerfulness as they sang and danced to the beats and drove home the moral messages from 'Hitopdesha'.

A token of gratitude

The occasion also marked the fe-

licitation of eminent donors of Amitasha who have constantly nurtured the Amitasha dream and turned it into a reality. The Chairperson also expressed thanks to all the principals of Amity schools for their constant cooperation and support to Amitasha.

A reward

The celebrations continued with

rewarding the meritorious achievers of Amitasha in academic and non academic domains for their hardwork and dedication. Anushka Mishra, student of Class XII was given the prestigious Dr Asha Bhargava Memorial Award for being an all-rounder student. Joyous Anushka who wants to become a psychological counsellor, in her

thank you speech, spoke her heart out as she heartily thanked Chairperson for giving her the opportunity to study and excel.

Insightful wisdom

Chief Guest Geeta Pandey in her address praised the noble initiative to educate the girl child. Speaking on the importance of education, she shared her own story of the struggles that she faced during her childhood to pursue education, due to financial problems. Yet, she continued and that made all the difference. She said, "Education is crucial as it provides one with wings that can take you closer to your dreams." Towards the end of the event Dr Ashok K. Chauhan, Founder President, Amity Universe, addressed the gathering and emphasised on the role of girls in building of the world. "Amitasha is a way of giving back to the society, it's a legacy based on humanistic values," he said as he blessed the students of Amitasha, and expressed his joy on seeing them well learnt, and groomed. The event culminated with an enthralling dance performance and national anthem.

About Amitasha: Amitasha, a chain of schools for less privileged girl children, was established in the year 2000 as an initiative of Amity Foundation for Upliftment of Under-Privileged Children with 35 girl students. Today, Amitasha runs 4 schools in Delhi & NCR where over 1000 girls in the age group of 3-18 years are educated with the best of facilities.



Team Practikality with Second Runners Up trophy

Praktikality wins Microsoft Imagine Cup

AIS Gurugram 46

Team 'Praktikality' comprising Padam Chopra, Aryaman Agrawal and Keshav Maheshwari, of AIS Gurugram 46, won the special category 'Best Project on Accessibility' award and also bagged second runner up award at the finals of Microsoft Imagine Cup Indian Nationals 2018 held on April 20, 2018. The team won this laurel for developing a machine learning based app for assisting deaf, mute and visually impaired. This

is a unique achievement for Team Practikality as it was the only school level team to have made it amongst top 33 teams from all over India. The competition was a tough one with the team being pitted against other teams from different prestigious engineering colleges like IITs. In round one, they were selected amongst top 8 projects in India. In round two, the team emerged as one of the top 4 finalists and in the final round they gave a live presentation in front of industry stalwarts thus, marching to victory.

Exploring Japan Amitians Say Kon'nichiwa

AIS Vasundhara 6

Devansh Singh, Anoushka Garg, Deeksha Singh & Mihika Srivastava, students of Japanese language, from AIS Vasundhara 6, went on a fully funded 15 days to Hakuho Japan from April 11-26, 2018 to participate in 9th Hakuho Japan Experience Programme. These 4 Amitians were the only ones to be selected from all over India through a tough selection process based on JLPT

score, Class X board results of Japanese language and interaction of students with the officials of the Japan Foundation. It was a holistic learning experience for the students as they got an insight into Japanese culture by staying with Japanese host families. They visited 3 Japanese schools and understood their education system, learnt calligraphy and saw exciting places like state of the art NHK Studio, Trick Art Centre, Harujuku, Ueno and Asakus shrine.



Amitians in Japan



Children have fun and frolic in Mango Orchard

Mango mania

AIS VYC, Lucknow

To break the monotony of mundane life and enjoy in the lap of nature, students visited beautiful Mango Orchard in the premises of Amity University Malhaur on May 14, 2018.

It was all fun, play and learning as they went about the orchard, observing and knowing different kinds of Mango trees and techniques to shield them from birds and predators. Enjoying their happy day out in mango orchard they hopped, from the trees, pranced around merrily and relished snacks.

Even their teachers had a great day as the fresh flavour of mangoes and shades of orchards made for a perfect ambience to enjoy. Apart from enjoying different variety of mangoes, everyone also relished other products like mango juice, jams, pickles, and the like.

The day's outing to the mango orchard was not just all fun and play. Apart from learning it also was a platform for the children to realise their responsibility towards the environment. The children took a pledge to protect their environment by planting more trees, thus, making planet more green.

It has 10 gates which opens in 10 directions, according to Vedic literature.

All top quotes composed by **Shrey Bhartiya**, AIS PV, IV



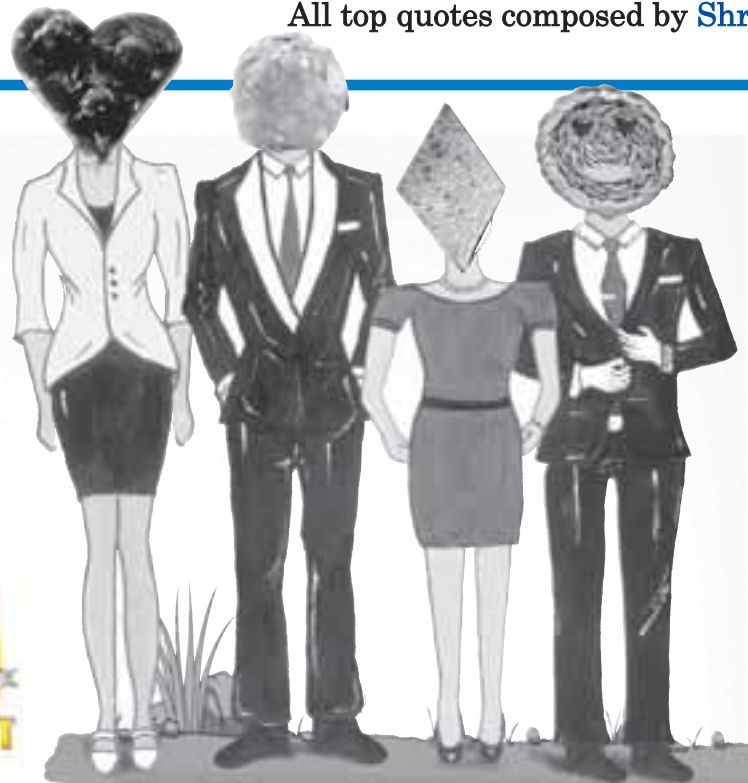
Akshardham

Debate rama dessert

A sugar-coated spicy drama that brings out the real flavour of the debate. Sucrose meets paprika in this Sweet MUN



Graphic: Nikhil Gulati, XI A; Illustration: Kavya Sahu & Kavya Gupta, X C, AIS Gur 43



Suhani Jain, AIS Gur 43, X D

Dear delegates/readers,

I feel immense pleasure in welcoming you all to the first ever Sweet MUN! After the Diwali extravaganza, we invited all the sweets to discuss the issue of their highly addictive nature and the rise in their consumption to unhealthy levels. So, is this one of those sugar coated discussions? No! There will be lots of spice and drama! Read on as I hereby officially declare Sweet MUN 2014-15 OPEN !

Meet the Executive Board

Chair- Mr Apple Tarte Tatin: He has a very good knowledge of sweets and their flavours.

Vice Chair- Miss Berry Clafoutis: The sweetest person on earth... she gives fair recognition!

Rapporteur- Miss Cherry Cheese-cake: She plans to impress with her

outstanding looks.

Meet the Delegates

Kaju Katli (KK): Delegate of Kaju Katli is determined to out-'sweet' everyone with her wits, comebacks, and fructose coated rebukes.

Gajar-ka-halwa (GKH): Delegate of Gajar-ka-halwa was instrumental in adding spice to the occasional nauseously sweet sessions.

Boondi-ladoo (BL): Delegate of Boondi-ladoo is cheerful. At present, he is busy making allies with Coconut and Besan Ladoo!

The Committee Session begins

EB: Delegate of Kaju Katli, you have the floor.

Delegate of KK: The Delegate of Kaju Katli is extremely happy after becoming the bestselling *mithai* of this season. It has minimal calories and irresistible taste packed with goodness.

Delegate of GKH: Point of order! Delegate of KK just mentioned that it has minimal calories. The Delegate of GKH has Haldiram's report stating that each serving of KK has 71 calories!

Delegate of KK: Kaju Katli contains mostly fats from nuts which is less harmful than *ghee*. And if the delegate is not wrong....doesn't 50gm of GKH contain more than 200 calories sir?

EB: Delegate of Gajar-ka-halwa, do you have something to say?

Delegate of GKH: Ohhh...Chittt!

EB: Alright delegate! Next speaker on the list is the Delegate of Boondi-ladoo.

Delegate of BL: The Delegate of Boondi-ladoo is proud on being the most preferred sweet. This divine collection of pearl like *boondis* garnished with nutritious nuts along with the essence of saffron makes it very tempting.

EB: Point noted.

Delegate of GKH: The Delegate believes that no sweet can match its qualities. It packs taste along with nutrition, all at once. Which other sweet possesses the wholesomeness of carrots?

EB: Any points of information to the Delegate? Yes, Delegate of Boondi-ladoo!

Delegate of BL: Ma'am, are you even aware that a single serving of Gajar-ka-halwa contains more than 250 calories? How is it healthy then?

The debate is indeed endless...now it is on you to decide who wins the Best Delegate! 🇮🇳

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Sorry mom!

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I've a confession

Raeesa Khayer, AIS Gur 46, V

Getting the answer sheets back has always been a happy event for me. I always scored good marks and would run back home to show it to my mother, only to be praised by her. But this one time, when I was in Class III, I had given a test I knew I had not done well in. I was very anxious about the result and did not want the teacher to ever tell us our marks.

When I received my answer sheet, I was sad because my marks were very low. I did not want to tell my mother about my poor performance. I thought about what I would do and decided that I would hide my answer sheet from her. I had never done such a thing before. Ergo, I was really scared. But I was even more scared of showing her my marks and seeing her get mad at me. When asked about the same, I told her that the teacher never returned our answer sheets. She perhaps eventually forgot about it. And so she never got to see my marks.

But, I am not proud of what I did, and today I want to apologise to my mother. I wish I had not lied to her. It is something I have always felt guilty about. My mom trusts me and she believed me when I told her that the teacher never returned the sheets. I realise I betrayed her trust. I realised what I did was wrong and that I should not have done it. Sorry mom! 🇮🇳

Irony vs the human brain

The Everlasting Paradoxes That Baffle Us Day And Night

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We all have those bizarre days where we reflect upon everything around us to the point where we are not even sure what we are thinking anymore. Anyhow, the end results of such musings are often a bunch of crazy, baffling questions that are hard to crack even in 'normal' state. Read on for here we bring you some.

■ Why does quicksand work slowly?

■ Why does caregiver and caretaker mean the same thing?

■ What happens to an irresistible force when it hits an immovable object?

■ Why do people say 'heads up' when you should duck?

■ Why does a round pizza come in a square box?

■ Why do they call him Donkey Kong if he is not a donkey?

■ If a cyclops closes its eye, is it blinking or is it winking?

■ If communism has leaders, is it still communism?

■ If you are what you eat, is Hannibal Lecter more human than the rest of us?

■ How do you corner someone in a round room?

■ If life is unfair to everyone, doesn't that make life fair?

■ If you choke a smurf, what colour does it turn ?

■ If Cinderella's shoe fit perfectly, why did it fall off in the first place?

■ If a redhead works at a bakery, is he the Ginger Bread man?

■ If tomato is a fruit, is ketchup a smoothie?

■ Is there another word for synonym?

■ How do you write zero in roman numerals?

■ If marbles are not made up of marble, why are they called marbles?

■ What shape is the sky?

■ Why is it called after dark when it's actually after light?

■ Why do people tell you when they are speechless?

■ Why are blackboards green?

■ Why is it necessary to nail down the lid of a coffin?



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