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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Children,

You are going to have the final examination within few weeks. Have you ever thought about

the rate of progress that you have achieved every year. If your answer is no, dear children Track your Progress. If we don't know where we are right now, we can't know where we're going. How can you chart the path to where you WANT to go?

For any goal that you have in life, you need to have a clear vision of what it is. When you have a clear vision of what it is that you want, and you know where you are now, then only you will be able to track your progress and reach your destination. Like a GPS, you can map out point A to point B, but you couldn't possibly do this if you didn't know where point A and B are located.

So, in order to keep track, you must know where you are and where you want to go. This is how you will know with 100% accuracy when you have reached point B. Many of us have skipped this in the past and wondered themselves and reached at unknown place.

Simple ways to master your mind is a great start and

if you only use some tips, you will see change in your life. BUT if you want really gain mastery of your mind and start your journey to living a happier and fulfilling life, then it's time to fully master your mind. You will be harnessing your mind to get where you want to go...and then reach there.

Please know Your Mind's short comings, how and why your subconscious mind is depressing you for your success, how to be your own therapist, how to heal your mind and body, how to pass days of struggle, how to create your own reality and much more. With guidance you will sustain change so it becomes a part of you, making YOU the captain of your life!

Dear Children, Master your mind with the positive thoughts. Visualize your goal in the form of images and try to keep it permanently in your brain. Always dream about it. Never ever feel that it is impossible for you. When you think about something impossible, feel that it is POSSIBLE. That positive outlook will make a positive vibrancy in mind which will result in positive outcomes. Be an achiever in your life. Don't forget dear children to track your progress, that will make a difference in your life. Exams will test not only your knowledge, but also your state of mind. So calm down and be relaxed, because you are truly the best. Best wishes for your Examination.

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## ICSK SENIOR MARKS REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATIONS WITH PRIDE AND HONOUR



"Where the mind is without fear, the head is held high" Rabindranath Tagore's, 'Gitanjali' rightly echoes the proud patriotic feelings of India from the day it was announced a free Republic sixty eight years ago.

Saluting the supreme glory of the mother land on the proud occasion of the sixty eighth Republic Day of India,

a fabulous assembly was held at ICSK Senior Salmiya by the students of XI F on Wednesday 25th January 2017. With the Indian National flag proudly flying high, the students recounted upon the importance of the Republic day and of the Constitution that came into force on the day. Owing their allegiance and patriotism to mother India, children took the oath to be its worthy citizens making the home land proud. A heart touching patriotic song was also rendered by the students creating a serene atmosphere inspiring the young minds to salute their motherland.

Throughout the assembly, the dignified glory and colourful unity of the country was enhanced upon with immense pride. The Principal Dr.V.Binumon addressed the gathering and recounted a brief history of pre-republic India. He also wished all the students and faculty of ICSK Senior School a happy Republic Day. The students offered intense reverence to the occasion of pride, by decorating and adorning the school with the tricolor flag and numerous charts recounting the stories of supreme sacrifices which lead India on to the dias of being a republic.



# EDITORS' NOTE

Dear Children

We've all had those times when it feels like nothing is going right. When you start having a few days in a row like this, you start to believe that it is a pattern which can't be broken. You start to spiral lower and lower and it is difficult to wake up with a smile and believe that something good will happen during the day. Pretty soon you're saying to yourself, "See, I knew it wouldn't be a good day." You wake up in the morning wondering what will go wrong today and you're proven right. What is happening here? You are letting negative thinking take over your thoughts and actions.

An optimistic person has positive thoughts occurring more often than negative. They look for the best in any situation and expect good things to happen. It is their belief that things will turn out well. If they don't, they view it as a temporary setback that will change. They think about the good things in life and are grateful for their blessings. They have a confidence that nothing will hold them back and the world is full of opportunities. A pessimist lets the negative thought take over. They see the positive things that happen as coincidences that are outside their control. They blame themselves for the bad things that happen, not feeling good enough. They are fearful and resistant to change, have negative expectations and also blame others for missed opportunities. They believe that their happiness is dependent on people, actions or circumstances beyond their control. Instead of an "I can" attitude, they think "I can't", "I won't", or "I don't deserve it." They put off doing anything to change their situation and react passively.

Dear ones, to be more successful, you should actively change thought patterns to create positive results. In other words, make an effort to become an optimistic person. Positive thinking has to become your main mental attitude. You must change your thoughts and actions to attract positive things into your life. By staying focused on the positive, you can create the life of your dreams. Make the most out of every situation and be responsible for your own happiness. Take action while others watch on. By limiting your negative thoughts, you will be able to create powerful results. You will have more happiness, more energy, more success and you will be able to motivate others into being better people too. Life is too short to not look for the best in things. Change your attitude and things will improve for you.

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## ICSK CONFERRED THE BEST SCHOOL AWARD BY THE CBSE GULF COUNCIL



CBSE Gulf Council, an association of the Heads of CBSE Schools in the Middle East has recognized the academic excellence at The Indian Community School, Kuwait by honouring the school with the Best School Award (2015-16). Every year the schools that excel in academics are awarded with mementoes and certificates for their spectacular achievements with the objective of raising the academic standard and since the last three years ICSK is winning accolades for the same. This year too the school was conferred with the maximum number of awards. ICSK was acknowledged for grooming all the three toppers in the Commerce Stream, the 3rd topper in the Science Stream and 2nd topper in Humanities Stream in the Kuwait Region. Taking all recognition in its stride ICSK marches forward hoping to create more shimmering stars in the years to come.

## HISTORY OF FEBRUARY

The old Roman calendar considered winter a month less period, thus it only consisted of 10 months. The month of February was added, along with January around 700 BC by Numa Pompilius so that the calendar would equal a standard lunar year of 355 days. February became the second month of the year around 450 BCE, although it was originally the last month of the year in the old Roman calendar.

February was shortened to either 23 or 24 days at certain intervals in the Roman calendar, in which a 27 day intercalary month was inserted after February to realign the year with the seasons. During the Julian calendar reform, the intercalary month was abolished and leap years were added every fourth year thus February gained a 29th day in leap years.

### Second Month

February is the second month of the year in the Gregorian calendar and its predecessor, the Julian calendar and consists of 28 days in common years and 29 days in leap years. It did not exist in the 10-month Roman calendar. It is considered the seasonal equivalent of August in the Northern Hemisphere. It is the only month that can pass without a single full moon.

February starts on the same day of the week as March and November in common years. During leap years, February starts on the same day of the week as August. Once every six years and twice every 11 years, the month of February will have only four full seven-day weeks, where the first day of the month starts on a Sunday and ends on a Saturday.

# CAREER AWARENESS PROGRAM AT ICSK SENIOR



“Choose a job you love, and you will never have to work a day in your life”.

The Indian Community School, Senior, Department of Counselling had organized a “Career Awareness Program” for the secondary students on 5th January, 2017 under the able guidance of Dr.V.Binumon, the Principal, ICSK Senior. The programme aimed at enlightening the students on the various career choices.

Dr. Babu Rangarajan, an eminent career trainer, was the presenter

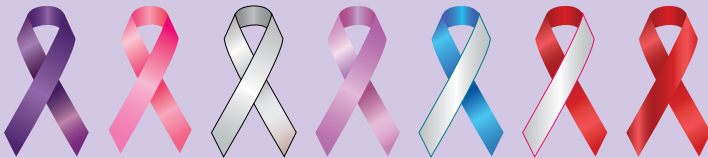


who in his enriching speech advised the students on choosing the various careers according to their interests and aptitudes and motivated them in identifying a career suitable to their needs.

Riaz Mohideen, the programme coordinator, welcomed the gathering. A team of counsellors- Dr. Navjot Kaur, Mrs. Lovely Dennis, and Mrs. Aarushi Kapoor, were also presented on this occasion. The programme concluded with the vote of thanks by Dr. Navjot Kaur.

The program was well received and very informative to our students.

## World Cancer Day: What do common cancer awareness ribbons stand for?



People around the world commemorate World Cancer Day on February 4, coming together to raise awareness about cancer and conduct discourses about its treatment and prevention. Started by the Union for International Cancer Control (UICC), the primary aim of the day is to ensure the prevalence of the illness is reduced significantly and deaths due to cancer are reduced by 2020. A pivotal part of these significant days are the awareness ribbons, used as a part of spreading awareness. There are differently coloured and patterned ribbons with different meanings attached to them. They are symbolic and stand for the solidarity and support that we as a community are to render for a cause. There are ribbons of different colours and patterns that are used to spread awareness about different types of cancers. It was after Penney Laingen, the wife of a hostage who was taken to Iran, who is known to have made ribbons significant in history. She wanted to see her husband return and when the others came to know about it, yellow ribbons were said to have sprung up in the US in 1979 in solidarity with her, for her husband's release.

**Purple Ribbon** - The purple ribbon is symbolic of pancreatic cancer, thyroid cancer, Alzheimer's, cystic fibrosis, sarcoidosis awareness, ADD (Attention Deficit Disorder) etc.

**Pink Ribbon** - Pink ribbon spreads breast cancer awareness. Charlotte Haley a breast cancer survivor is believed to have designed the first breast cancer ribbon in 1992. It was peach in colour. Evelyn Lauder of the Estee Lauder cosmetics company, a breast cancer survivor herself, is known to have made the first “official” pink breast cancer ribbon pin.

**White Ribbon** - White ribbon spreads awareness about bone cancer, blindness, hernia, congenital cataract problems, osteoporosis, postpartum depression, Severe Combined Immune Deficiency Disease (SCID), among others.

**Lavender Ribbon**-Lavender ribbon spreads awareness about all types of cancer including gynecological cancer, infantile spasms, Hypokalemic Periodic Paralysis, epilepsy awareness etc.

**Teal and White Ribbon**-Teal and white coloured ribbon spreads cervical cancer awareness. Cervical cancer is a malignant tumour that starts in cervix cells.

**Red and White Ribbon** - Red and White ribbon spreads awareness about head and neck cancer, oral cancer, aplastic anemia and deep vein thrombosis.

**Red Ribbon** - Red ribbons are for spreading HIV-AIDS awareness, cardiovascular diseases, burn victims, heart diseases, tuberculosis, substance abuse awareness, hemophilia and hypertension.



## ICSK Senior Celebrates 350<sup>th</sup> Birthday of Guru Gobind Singh



The Indian Community (Senior) School celebrated the 350th birthday of Guru Gobind Singh, the 10th Guru of the Sikhs. The assembly was conducted by class 8-C. Guru Gobind Singh, was born on January 5th 1667. He was the tenth spiritual Guru of the Sikhs, a warrior, a poet and also a philosopher. It started with a thought from the Guru Granth Sahib, and was enriched by an informative speech by various students, talking about the significance of the Guru Gobind Singh for the Sikhs and explaining Guru's important teachings. A Shabad Kirtan rendered in the native language led by the class teacher moved the audience. The Vice Principal Dr. Sam T Kuruvila addressed the gathering and spoke about the importance of inculcating compassionate values in the students. The assembly brought spiritual vibes to the atmosphere.

## Commemoration of Indian Army Day at ICSK Senior



The Indian Community Senior School celebrated the Indian Army Day on 15th January 2017, commemorating the tireless efforts of the brave and courageous Indian soldiers, with an assembly reflecting a sense of patriotism. It started with an innovative showcasing of the unity in diversity with the rendering of the thought for the day in multiple Indian languages. A thought provoking speech was supplemented by the heart rending skit about the plight of a Jawan in the border security forces. The response from the students truly reflected the sense of patriotism that was felt. The Principal Dr. V. Binumon addressed the assembly, stressing on asking not what the Country could do for you, but what you could do for your Country. The assembly was a memorable one for the students as they understood the importance of the Indian Army and their sacrifices towards the country and they also realized the true value of the prestigious protectors of the motherland.

## THINGS WHICH WILL HAPPEN WHEN YOU START TO READ MORE

1. You will find a safe way to escape when your own life is depressing, overwhelming or just boring.

It's instant. It's economical. It's portable: your own personal escape route when things get to be too much.



SAMANTHA - XII D

2. You find out that you have a worldwide family.

It's the family of readers. Book lovers. Literary addicts. Bibliophiles. Become one of them and you have an extended family that you can find anywhere.

3. You become a part of timeless, global conversation.

Books are the way that the past communicates with us. And books are the way that we communicate across cultures and national boundaries, across social lines and class divisions.

4. You will look forward to lines, layovers, and waiting rooms.

This could be the biggest turning point of your life. Instead of tapping your foot impatiently, huffing and sighing like dyspeptic cow, or otherwise displaying your wrath and frustration in a socially unacceptable way, you can simply read..

## ICSK SENIOR GIRLS WIN CBSE KUWAIT CLUSTER CHESS TOURNAMENT



In the 18th CBSE Kuwait Cluster Chess Tournament organized by Indian Educational Academy School, the under 19 girls of ICSK Senior won the tournament. The team participated in the nationals conducted by DPS School held at Varanasi, UP. The students are: Haritha Gnanasegar, Sneha Ashok Chudasama, and Alita Annet Mathew.



## BEE HUMMINGBIRD - THE SMALLEST BIRD

The bee hummingbird is the smallest extant bird species on the face of the earth - extant being the opposite of extinct, that is to say, there are no living species of birds in the world smaller than the bee hummingbird. Exactly how small do you have to be to earn that distinction? No larger than 2 and a half inches long at most, with many birds no bigger than 2 inches total. With weight in a range between 0.056 and 0.067 ounces (1.6-1.9 g), these small birds are easily mistaken for insects, and are in fact not much bigger than the honey-making bugs for which they are named. They are also blessed with bright iridescent coloring of red, blue and green.

# BEST STUDENTS - JANUARY



SHERIL MARY  
MATHIEW - 12J



MARIYAM  
- 12K



ABHIRAM V. KURUP  
- 11A



KARTHIK RAMESH  
- 11B



STEFFI BIJU  
VARGHESE - 11C



MARIA NIXON  
GEORGE - 11D



MERIL SUSAN SAM  
- 11E



SWATHI NANDA  
KUMAR - 11F



AKHIL FIROZ  
11G



DONA AJAY  
- 11H



ALVINA CARLITA  
D'SOUZA - 11I



SAFIYATH SILNA K.  
- 11J



NIKOLE K.  
NAUSHAD - 11K



OSAMA SOLANKI  
- 11L



JUNA MARIYA REJI  
- 10A



NAJIHA ASHRAF  
- 10B



PARINAZ SHARUKH  
BHATHENA - 10C



SAKINA - 10E



MOHAMMED  
ALIASGAR - 10F



JITHISH KUMAR  
GOPI - 9A



MELAN VARGHESE  
- 9B



ZUHA FATEMAH  
SHAIKH - 9C



ALEFIYA ABBAS  
GHEEWALA - 8A



ALEENA REGI  
- 8B



ASHISH V. ABRAHAM  
- 8C

## FRENCH BRANDS

Hermès is a French high fashion luxury goods manufacturer established in 1837, specializing in leather, lifestyle accessories, home furnishings, perfumery, jewellery, watches and ready-to-wear. Its logo, since the 1950s, is of a Duc carriage with horse. Nadège Vanhée-Cybulski is the creative director. It was founded in 1837 by Thierry Hermès.

Airbus SAS is a company that manufactures civil aircraft. It is based in Blagnac, France with production and manufacturing facilities mainly in France, Spain, U.K and the U.S .

Givenchy is a luxury French brand of haute couture clothing, accessories, perfumes and cosmetics. The house of Givenchy was founded in 1952 by designer Hubert de Givenchy. In 1993 achieved a total sales worth of \$176 million, making it the second largest apparel division of LVMH after Dior.

Bugatti is a French car manufacturer of high-performance automobiles, founded in 1909 by Italian-born Ettore Bugatti. Bugatti cars were known for their design and beauty. Famous autos include the Type 35 Grand Prix cars, and the Type 41 'Royale.'

Carrefour S.A. is a French multinational retailer headquartered in Boulogne Billancourt, France. It is one of the largest hypermarket chains in the world, , and the third in profit (after Wal-Mart and Tesco).



ABEL CHRIS - 10 C

## High-Tech Device BOON or BANE



AKSHAY KUMAR  
12 A

The present day high tech gear is just part of growing up in a digital world. Nevertheless one cannot deny that all these gadgets have become a part and parcel of our daily life. Besides we have become highly dependent on these devices. This is more so in the case of children. Their lives are completely ruled by these devices.

These devices have many benefits. They have made our lives easier and more comfortable. Children spend a great deal of time on these gadgets like videogames, internet, cellphones etc. Parents feel that excessive use of these gadgets will definitely be destructive for the children. This could also cramp their academic and social development. On the side of benefits the gadgets have opened innumerable avenues for the growth of knowledge and have given definite form to wild imagination.

They will recline into their own high tech shell. There upon it will become very difficult for parents to bring them out of this world. If these high tech devices are used in moderation, they can fulfill the purpose for which they have been invented.



# Birthday Arcade - February



MOSES REJI  
10B - FEB 1



ALFIYA RAMAKDAWALA  
12E - FEB 2



FIRDAUS SALIM P.  
11G - FEB 2



ADAM MOHAMMED  
8B - FEB 3



REEBA S. THOMAS  
8A - FEB 3



NIHA ANN SAM  
11K - FEB 4



GLADSON CRASTA  
11C - FEB 5



SRILAKSHMI A.  
8C - FEB 6



IRFATH JAHAN  
12 K - FEB 7



LIGY ANTONY  
12A - FEB 7



RENJIT KUMAR  
10E - FEB 7



VALANY RASHA  
11J - FEB 7



MERIN A. MATHEW  
11G - FEB 8



SHOAN THOMAS O.  
9B - FEB 8



HAFSA SAIFULLAH  
12B - FEB 9



CAROL D'SOUZA  
12F - FEB 9



HAFEEDA B.  
12K - FEB 9



JOHANN LAJI P.  
9A - FEB 9



FAZILAH MOHAMMED  
12G - FEB 10



SANTOSH KUMAR  
10F - FEB 10



NAFISA BEGUM  
10E - FEB 11



PRIYADARSHINI V.  
11H - FEB 11



RACHEL LOURDES F.  
10C - FEB 11



VINITH KUMAR  
12K - FEB 11



AKHIL MENON  
11A - FEB 12



ANDREW P. THOMAS  
8A - FEB 12



ANUPAMA DILIP  
11F - FEB 12



LUKMANABDUL KADAR  
12 J - FEB 12



MANISH ABRAHAM  
11L - FEB 12



RAKSHITA AMARNATH  
9A - FEB 12



ALAFIYA AZAD  
11H - FEB 13



DANISH SANTHOSH  
11K - FEB 13



SIDHARTH VAZHAKKAD  
9C - FEB 13



ANGELA ANN ALEX  
11B - FEB 14



ARJUN RAJASEKHARAN  
11B - FEB 14



JOSEPH ALEX  
11G - FEB 14



MELAN VARGHESE  
9B - FEB 14



UMAMA EFTIKHAR  
12C - FEB 14



RICKY ESTIBEIRO  
12F - FEB 15



DHRUV RAMESH  
8C - FEB 16



NAAHID UMMAR  
10E - FEB 16



RUKAIYA ASGAR  
11I - FEB 16



SHARON JUDITH LOBO  
10B - FEB 16



ABBAS TAIYEB  
11G - FEB 17



AIBIN THOMAS M.  
11D - FEB 17



FIRAS JAVID AHMAD  
11D - FEB 17



PRESTON SHANNON  
9C - FEB 17



SUHARSH SUJITH S.  
12K - FEB 17



BENNY MATHEW  
11B - FEB 18



CHRISTA FILO VINCENT  
12F - FEB 18



SHERIN KUMARI S.  
10F - FEB 18



JOHN MARSHAL  
11L - FEB 19



LEON J. JOANES  
12A - FEB 19



SANYAH JAVED SURTI  
8C - FEB 19



SIDDHANT BABLU  
10E - FEB 19



SYED ALI RAZA  
11D - FEB 19



RISHI JOHN CHERIAN  
12A - FEB 20



TREVER BRAGANZA  
8C - FEB 20



HIBA HAMEED  
8A - FEB 21



ABDUL SATTAR B.  
11K - FEB 22



AHALYA NARAYANAN  
9A - FEB 22



PRABHDEEP PAL  
11D - FEB 23



AYISHA NADIR  
12B - FEB 24



JUSTIN K. PAUL  
11F - FEB 26



BURHANUDDIN Y.  
11G - FEB 27



SUMEYYA  
8B - FEB 27



SIMRAN HAREESH  
11L - FEB 27



RILLA MAHIMA  
8B - FEB 28



ADITHYA N. RAJESH  
11C - FEB 29



MR. JOEL JOHN  
D'SOUZA - FEB 4



MRS. SICY  
ABRAHAM - FEB 5



MRS. SUSAN RAJESH  
POTHAN - FEB 7



MRS. NAGAESHWARY  
- FEB 10



MRS. TINTU  
WILSON - FEB 10



DR. NAVJOT KAUR  
- FEB 13



MR. JAYESH  
- FEB 18



MRS. MANJU MITRA  
- FEB 20



MRS. SEEMA M.S.  
- FEB 20

# TIME

Time slips, wish it could be still  
Seasons repeat, days don't  
Experience repeat, situation don't  
Chances repeat, no they don't

Time slips, wish it could be still  
Freeze the smile  
Melt the pain  
Vapour the sadness,  
the sad dark phase



HINAL SRIVASTAVA  
XI B

I know, it'll come back  
Slowly though,  
So we get time,  
Sometime to cope  
Haha! But time slips, wish it could be still.

See the clocks, position the hands  
See the time,  
To act the rightful act

Look at it now! ... its palpable truth  
Its time to set free the burdened soul  
Its time to unfurl the white  
Its time to rejoice...

Oh! But I'm sorry  
This time never existed  
That season never came  
That flag was never lifted

'Twas the power of thought  
Made it so realistic  
But I hail and pray the future  
That such time may never slip  
And forever would be still.



## SPORTS AND SPORTSMANSHIP

It is an indisputable fact that games play an important part in our lives. Not only are they essential for the developments of the body but are responsible for including certain qualities too, for example a healthy spirit of competition, a sense of discipline, courage and above all sportsmanship.



NAISHA ASHRAF  
10-A

Sportsmanship is the highest ideal a sports person should strive for. It does not matter whether you win or lose the game but how you play it. You should participate in the game in fair spirit, without any thoughts of breaking the rules or using unjust means to win. Sportsmanship also implies accepting defeat with a smile. If you have lost today you may with hard work win tomorrow, so neither be boastful about victory nor depressed over defeat. Now a days, sportsmanship is on the decline. The teams are not generous towards each other and sometimes they take out their frustrations on the umpire.

We need to remember that winning isn't everything but making an effort to win is and good sportsmanship and a strong heart is what make us real champions.



## TO BELIEVE

To believe is to know that every day is a new beginning. Is to trust that miracles happen, and dreams really do come true. To believe is to see angels dancing among the clouds, To know the wonder of a stardust sky and the wisdom of the man in the moon. To believe is to know the value of a nurturing heart, The innocence of a child's eyes and the beauty of an aging hand, for it is through their teachings we learn to love. To believe is to find the strength and courage that lies within us When it's time to pick up the pieces and begin again. To believe is to know we are not alone, That life is a gift and this is our time to cherish it. To believe is to know that wonderful surprises are just waiting to happen, And all our hopes and dreams are within reach. If only we believe.



MEGHANA UMESH  
DESHNUR - 12 A

## THE QUALITIES NECESSARY FOR SUCCESS IN LIFE

Failure is common to all mankind while success is an exception. In my view, the following qualities are necessary for being successful in life.

Character is very important for success. A man can never be successful in life if his character is not good. Character is the sum total of good qualities like honesty, regularity and sincerity. None can be successful in their work if they are not sincere. If character is the first step to success then health is certainly the next one. The reason is that without health a man can never succeed in life.

Labour is also the key to success. If a man is not laborious he can never be successful. The famous story of tortoise and a hare is known to everybody. The tortoise won the race because of its labour while the hare was a failure due to its negligence. Intelligence is another quality required for success. An intelligent man does work properly, while an ignorant man does work mechanically.

To sum up, a person who is regular, sincere, honest, labourious and intelligent is bound to succeed in life.



PARINAZ - 10 A

## CRICKET IS A RELIGION IN INDIA



There may be many religions in the secular country India, but it is said that cricket unites Indians better than any religion can ever do. With millions of ardent followers, cricket is 'The religion of India'. 'Men in blue' are absolutely adored by the crazy cricket fans and their fame outshines the popularity of any other celebrity. From a school going kid to a retired old man, the charisma of cricket has enchanted almost every Indian. In fact, after the birth of the immensely popular 'IPL', the cricket fever has entered into an entirely new horizons of game & glory. Every Indian win is cheered and celebrated like a festival.



FAHD ANWAR KHAN  
XI-D



# INDELIBLE AND EXUBERANT 14<sup>TH</sup> MEGA CARNIVAL AT ICSK



The Indian Community School, Kuwait, set another milestone in its illustrious history as it celebrated the 14th Mega Carnival on Friday, 20th January, 2017. The most eagerly-awaited event among the Indians in Kuwait, the Mega Carnival drew huge crowds during the day-long event which spoke volumes about the popularity of the event as all roads seemed to lead to ICSK.

the Carnival Souvenir on the occasion. Swaranjali, the ICSK choir mesmerized the audience with their soulful rendering of 'Atithi Devo Bhava' and the young talents of ICSK Junior showcased their talents to enrich the inaugural function. Mrs. Sherly Dennis, Principal In charge, ICSK Junior delivered the Vote of Thanks. The mega carnival was hosted by Miss. Ranjini Haridas, Actress, Television anchor and singer along with



for the community to enjoy the varieties of cultural events such as Jhankar dance, Open air magic show, Flash mob, DG dance group, Karate demonstration, Dance performed by Zero Gravity, FWG dance group, Fashion show and Bhangra dance all interspersed with the bingo games ensured a wholesome family outing. Apart from the merriment that was visible among the audience near the center-stage, high-spirited crowds thronged the multifarious stalls that offered a vast variety of food items, array of interesting games, face-painting, hair-colouring, hair-styling etc. Many items of interest like clothes, books, bags etc. were also put up for sale. The fun filled day drew



to a close with the raffle draw with the Board members, Principals, Vice Principals and Heads of the Departments. The magnificent carnival concluded with the vote of thanks delivered by Mr. G. Shirsath, Principal ICSK Khaitan.

The ICSK carnival was inaugurated by H.E. Mr. Sunil Jain, Ambassador of India to Kuwait who was the Chief Guest on the occasion. The ambassador appreciated the objective of the carnival as hundreds of underprivileged children get opportunity for free education in ICSK through the proceeds collected. Dr. V. Binumon, Principal and Senior Administrator welcomed the august gathering. Mr. Shaikh Abdul Rahman, Chairman, Board of Trustees ICSK honoured the guests and Mr. Amer Mohammed, Secretary BOT released

Kuwait fame MC Mr. Lloyd D'Souza who kept the visitors enthralled throughout the day with a wide variety of activities like games and competitions, on-the-spot questions, talent shows etc. The ICSK Salmiya campus was transformed into a fascinating land that charmed all the age-groups. The excitement continued throughout the day as all the four branches had varied entertainment programmes lined-up. The toddler fashion show undoubtedly created an amazing impact. It was absolutely a rare opportunity







# SUCCESS



ALIYA ASHRAF  
12 A

The road to success is challenging. There is no one in the world who hasn't struggled his way to the top. It is never easy for anyone. Luck doesn't always favour you. You have to get up and get going. Even the most successful people in the world have faced failures. But he who rises up against obstacles and continues the race forward is the one who reaches the top. Here are 5 successful people who faced huge failures early in life but didn't stop trying.

### 1. Thomas A. Edison

Thomas Edison is first on our list. He is also known as the master of trial and errors. He failed almost 10000 times before inventing the light bulb. However every time someone asked him about his failure, he replied that he has not failed but found 10000 ways to know why it went wrong.

### 2. Albert Einstein

The genius of a scientist most famous for his theory of relativity was mistaken to be retarded by his parents when he was a child. His grades in school were consistently poor and he couldn't even read till the age of seven. No one could have ever predicted the child would go on to win the Nobel Prize in Physics.

### 3. Michael Jordan

Often regarded as the greatest basketball player of all time, Michael Jordan struggled his way to success. He was rejected from high school basketball team. According to Forbes, he was the first athlete to become a billionaire.

### 4. Steve Jobs

The man responsible for the iPhone, iPod

and the iPad was given away by his biological parents for adoption because they could not afford to bring him up. Later Jobs was unceremoniously ousted from Apple, the company he cofounded. Today he is known as the father of digital revolution.

### 5. Walt Disney

The creator of Mickey Mouse was accused of lack of creativity in the beginning of his career. Not letting himself get bogged down by an early rejection, he went on to give the world characters like Donald Duck and Goofy.

Amazing how much they went through yet they keep going. Their lives has made many differences in world and yours too can, if you just keep going after your dreams.

## THE WORLD'S BEST FROZEN WONDERS

### STRIPY ICEBERGS



If you thought that bergs were always sparky white islands, then think again. The whiteness is created by tiny trapped air bubbles in the ice that deflect the light in every direction. But blue stripes can occur when cracks in an iceberg are filled with water that freezes too quickly for the bubbles to form. Brown, black and yellow stripes are created when volcanic ash, other dust or sediment settles on the structure and is then covered by new layer of snow and ice.

### CIRCLES IN THE SNOW

There is no mystery about the creation of these discs. In March 2010, American artist

Jim Denevan, who creates pictures on sand and earth that are eventually erased by waves and weather, travelled to Siberia's Lake Baikal, He inscribed the frozen surface with a series of circles in the shape of unfurling plants to the spirals of shells.



### ZAO ONSEN, JAPAN



It is home to the country's oldest hot springs but Japan's Zao Onsen is famous for its "Snow monsters." These eerie winter phenomena are, in reality, Aomori fir trees covered in hard time ice, which sticks to them for months on end.



RESHMA S.  
MATHEWS - 10 A

### ICE CAVE, ICELAND



Iceland is well known for its hot-water springs. But when they crop up beneath a glacier, they can bore caves into the ice with ceilings and crevices

## QUOTE GARDEN

1. Happiness is not something you postpone for the future; it is something you design for the present - Jim Rohn
2. We must let go of the life we have planned, so as to accept the one that is waiting for us - Joseph Campbell
3. The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched - they must be felt with the heart - Helen Keller
4. There are two ways of spreading light: to be the candle or the mirror that reflects it - Edith Wharton
5. Try to be a rainbow in someone's cloud - Maya Angelou

# CAPTAINS & VICE CAPTAINS - FEBRUARY

CLASS 12J		CLASS 12K		CLASS 11A		CLASS 11B		CLASS 11C	
									
ROOSFIDA P.	SHADMAN KHAN	SOMU K. SUNNY	ANTHONY VIBIN	REUEL ELIAS THOMAS	SYED FAIZUDDIN	AARON B. THOMAS	AISHA NISAR M.	MOHAMMED HISHAM	ANUSHA UPPADA
CLASS 11D		CLASS 11E		CLASS 11F		CLASS 11G		CLASS 11H	
									
SOMEISHWAR	PRABHDEEP PAL SINGH	SALAMUDEEN T.	RUTH MARY RAJI	SWATHI N. KUMAR	MARIYA SYED F	VILEENA A. PUNNOOSE	PRIYA BABU	FEBIN M. VARGHESE	UMAIMA ALI
CLASS 11I		CLASS 11J		CLASS 11K		CLASS 11L		CLASS 10A	
									
ABDULHADI HALALDEEN	FAKHRUDDIN SHER	ZEHRA AHMADI	TASNEEM SHABBIR	ROSHAN K. THOMAS	MELVIN MANOJ M.	ASADULLA KHAN	AKBAR HOSSAIN	NASHA ASHRAF	YUSUF HAMID
CLASS 10B		CLASS 10C		CLASS 10E		CLASS 10F		CLASS 9A	
									
JOSHUA A.	SHAUN JOSHUA	RAMLA FAKHRUDDIN	VALUSHA	FIDHA HARIS	DILANO SIMON C.	AMAN SHAIKH	NAFEESA BEGUM	ADVAIT VINOD	KULSUM BAGRI SYEDA
CLASS 9B		CLASS 9C		CLASS 8A		CLASS 8B		CLASS 8C	
									
RUPALI JAIN	BINIL BABY T.	MANPREET SINGH	NABELA BEGUM	AHMED AJAZ	FERIK GEO MELBIN	MERIL A. VARGHESE	ABISHEKNATHAN A.	FATHIMA SAFA	DELWYN PIUS M.

## “KAR CHALE HUM FIDA” – A HOMAGE TO THE SPIRIT OF PATRIOTISM



Patriotism is one of the most righteous of virtues and a noble feeling. It fosters solidarity among the people of a country. On 16th January 2017 the students of ICSK Senior expressed their ardent patriotism towards their motherland, India through a spectacular presentation. They spoke eloquently on their allegiance towards their country. In the power point presentation the students highlighted Kafi Azami's



poem 'Kar chale hum fida' which portrays the sacrifice of the soldiers who lost their lives while protecting the nation. The display helped in arousing the nationalistic fervor of the students under the able guidance of the teachers of the Department of Hindi, ICSK Senior, Mrs. Lamba & Mrs. Arora.



# SIKKIM



Established : 16 May 1975  
 Capital : Gangtok  
 Legislature : Unicameral  
 Area : 7,110 sq.km.  
 Population : 610,577 (2011)

Sikkim was a kingdom till 1975 and still retains a very distinctive personality. The tiny and beautiful state of Sikkim lies to the south of Tibet, sandwiched between Nepal to the west and Bhutan to the east. Measuring just 65km by 115km, its landscape ranges from deep valleys just 300m above sea level to lofty snow peaks such as Kanchenjunga (Kanchendzonga, to the locals) which, at 8586m, is the third highest peak in the world. A small but growing network of meandering web of roads mark this rugged and beautiful Himalayan wilderness.



Clean, green and 'all organic' since 2016, Sikkim is mostly a maze of plunging, super-steep valleys thick with lush subtropical woodlands and rhododendron groves, rising in the north to the spectacular white-top peaks of the eastern Himalaya. When clouds clear, thrilling experience of spotting the world's thirds highest mountain, Khangchendzonga adds to your bliss. The meditative, mural-filled traditional monasteries of Tibetan Buddhism coexist with Hindu shrines of the ever-growing Nepali community, both religions creating some astonishing latter-day mega-sculptures to adorn the skyline.

Sikkim's gigantic mountain walls and steep wooded hillsides, drained by torrential rivers such as the Teesta and the Rangit, are a botanist's paradise and study garden. The

lower slopes abound in orchids, sprays of cardamom carpet the forest floor, and the land is rich with apple orchards, orange groves and terraced paddy fields (to the Tibetans, this was Denzong, "the land of rice"). At higher altitudes, monsoon mists cling to huge tracts of lichen-covered forests, where countless varieties of rhododendron carpet the hillsides and giant magnolia trees punctuate the deep verdant cover. Higher still, approaching the Tibetan plateau, larch and dwarf rhododendron give way



to meadows abundant with gentians and potentilla. Sikkim's forests and wilderness areas are inhabited by a wealth of fauna, including extremely elusive snow leopards, tahr (wild goat on the Tibet plateau), bharal or blue sheep, black bear, flying squirrels and the symbol of Sikkim – the endangered red panda.

No one knows quite when or how the Lepchas – or the Rong, as they call themselves – came to Sikkim, but their roots can be traced back to the animist Nagas of the Indo-Burmese border. Buddhism, which arrived from Tibet in the thirteenth century, took its distinctive Sikkimese form four centuries later, when three Tibetan monks of the old Nyingmapa order, disenchanting with the rise of the reformist Gelugpas, migrated south and gathered at Yoksum in western Sikkim. Having consulted the oracle, they sent to Gangtok for a certain Phuntsog Namgyal, whom they crowned as the first chogyal or "righteous king" of Denzong in 1642. Both the secular and religious head of Sikkim, he was soon recognized by Tibet, and set about sweeping reforms. His domain was far larger than today's Sikkim, taking in Kalimpong and parts of western Bhutan.

Over the centuries, territory was lost to the Bhutanese, the Nepalese and the British. Sikkim originally ceded Darjeeling to the East India Company as a spa in 1817, but was forced to give up all claim to it in 1861 when the kingdom was declared a protectorate of the British. Tibet, which perceived Sikkim as a vassalage, objected and invaded in 1886, but a small British force sent in 1888 to Lhasa helped the British consolidate their hold. By importing workers from Nepal to work in the tea plantations of Sikkim, Darjeeling and Kalimpong, the British sought to diminish the strong Tibetan influence and helped alter the ethnic make-up of the region, with the new migrants soon outnumbering the indigenous population.

After Indian Independence, the reforming and intensely spiritual eleventh chogyal, Tashi Namgyal, strove hard until his death in 1962 to prevent the dissolution of his kingdom. Officially Sikkim was a protectorate of India, and the role of India became increasingly crucial, with the Chinese military build-up along the northern borders that culminated in an actual invasion early in the 1960s. His son Palden Thondup, the last chogyal, married as his second wife an American, Hope Cook, whose reforms as gyalmo (queen) did not prove popular and also came to irritate the Indian government. The embattled chogyal eventually succumbed to the demands of the Nepalese majority, and Sikkim was annexed by India in 1975 after a referendum with an overwhelming 97 percent majority. The chogyal remained as a figurehead until his death in 1981. In 1975, the Indian military deposed the Sikkimese monarchy. The referendum in 1975 led to Sikkim joining India as its 22nd state.

Modern Sikkim is a multiethnic and multilingual Indian state. Sikkim has 11 official languages: Nepali, Sikkimese, Lepcha, Tamang, Limbu, Newari, Rai, Gurung, Magar, Sunwar and English. English is taught in schools and used in government documents. The predominant religions are Hinduism and Vajrayana Buddhism. Sikkim's economy is largely dependent on agriculture and tourism.

# CHARITY FUND

## BALANCE SHEET FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2017

INCOME (DECEMBER)	KD
Balance c/f from December	4233.755
Contribution from students (January)	334.565
Contribution from French Department (Food Fest)	29.000
Contribution from Staff (January)	35.805
<b>Balance in hand</b>	<b>4633.125</b>

## BIRTHDAY AND CHARITY FUND FOR JANUARY 2017

CLASS / SEC	Birthday Fund	Charity Fund	Sub Total	CLASS / SEC	Birthday Fund	Charity Fund	Sub Total	CLASS / SEC	Birthday Fund	Charity Fund	Sub Total
XII A	-	-	-	XI I	-	11.630	11.630	IX A	5.000	19.000	24.000
XII B	-	-	-	XI J	-	10.555	10.555	IX B	2.000	15.465	17.465
XII C	-	-	-	XI K	-	0.450	0.450	IX C	3.500	5.325	8.825
XII D	-	-	-	XI L	3.000	20.275	23.275	VIII A	-	10.705	10.705
XII E	-	-	-	X A	-	8.280	8.280	VIII B	2.500	8.105	10.605
XII F	-	-	-	X B	-	6.970	6.970	VIII C	1.000	12.670	13.670
XII G	-	-	-	X C	5.000	8.805	13.805				
XII J	-	9.425	9.425	X E	-	3.615	3.615	<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>36.000</b>	<b>298.565</b>	
XII K	-	1.830	1.830	X F	-	14.820	14.820	<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>334.565</b>
XI A	-	18.375	18.375								
XI B	-	22.175	22.175								
XI C	-	5.960	5.960								
XI D	-	32.115	32.115								
XI E	5.000	15.925	20.925								
XI F	5.000	12.465	17.465								
XI G	1.000	16.275	17.275								
XI H	3.000	7.350	10.350								

### CHARITY AMBASSADORS



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(SENIOR SEC)



ABIGAIL MARY YANG  
- 9B (SEC)

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ELANGOVAN - 12J



FATHIMA ISLAM  
- 12K



AKHIL MENON  
- 11A



SIDDHARTH  
SANTHOSH - 11B



RHEA REBECCA  
PHILIP - 11C



RIYA ANN ELIAS  
- 11D



MOHAMED NIHAAL  
- 11E



JYOTHI SUJAN  
PRASAD - 11F



AKHIL FIROZ  
- 11G



RENITA D'SOUZA  
- 11H



AKSHAY GOPAL  
KRISHNA - 11I



SHEHREBANU  
SALIM - 11J



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REKHI - 11K



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ASGER - 11L



ALINA ANN  
DANIEL - 10A



SAMIRA RIZVI  
- 10B



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D'CRUX - 10C



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CORREA - 10E



MISHAL IBRAHIM  
PINTO - 10F



MEHRIN ZAKIR  
DATEY - 9A



BENSON DANIEL  
COSMAN - 9B



AVINASH KUMAR  
SEN - 9C



NASIF AMIN  
S. - 8A



AKHILA WILSON  
- 8B



DIYA GHOSH  
- 8C



# Awakening: Lessons of Life

## WHO ARE YOU?

**Who are you really? Have you ever asked this question to yourself: Who you really are?**

We all have the illusion that we are 'somebody' of 'great name and repute' or having 'great power' or possessing 'great wealth and success'. Ever wondered what people see you as and what you really are inside? Which image matters the most – inner one or the external? Let us explore! There is a good parable that may evoke precious awakening today!

There was a lion that grew up in a flock of sheep and so he had no consciousness that he was a lion. He did not know he was a lion. He would bleat like a sheep, he'd eat grass like a sheep.

One day they were wandering at the edge of a big jungle when a mighty lion let out a mighty roar and leaped out of the forest and right into the middle of the flock. All the sheep scattered and ran away. Imagine the surprise of the jungle lion when he saw this other lion there among the sheep. So, he gave a chase. He got hold of him. And there was this lion, cringing in front of the king of the jungle. And the jungle lion said to him, "what are you doing here?"

And the other lion said, "Have mercy on me. Don't eat me. Have mercy on me."

But the king of the forest dragged him away, saying "Come on with me."

And he took him to the river, where the water was still and said "Look."

So, the lion who thought he was a sheep looked, and for the first time he saw his own reflection in the water. He saw his image. Then he looked at the jungle lion, and he looked in the water again, and he let out a mighty roar. He was never a sheep again. It took only one minute!

When you come to see your real self you will never be the same.

To see your real image you need to drop some myths and illusions created by society, culture, education, -isms, etc. **You are not success, you are not your achievements, you are not your knowledge/degrees, you are not your position you hold or work that you do, you are not your wealth or possessions, you are not separate from others, you are not the clothes you wear, you are not your body you dwell in and you are not your reputation/popularity.** How transitory these are! And how easily we have come to believe in the opposite! Then who are you?

The following questions, in conjunction, will further your search of your real image:

[A] Are you a human being having spiritual experience, or

[B] Are you a spiritual being having human experience on this planet?

**"BE YOUR REAL HIGHER SELF, NOT WHAT OTHERS WANT YOU TO BE."**

The quest continues.....

## Friday Forum Elocution Contest - ICSK Senior Salmiya wins Senior Category



Speech is a powerful tool; Churchill knew its power more than the most. He wrote in his journal "If a man's oratory was powerful enough, he would become an independent force". Friday Forum, Kuwait held its 11th Annual Elocution Contest in early January in both the Junior and Senior categories in which 23 students from 13 different Indian schools competed. In the Senior category, Mohammad Mishal of ICSK Senior bagged the First position by virtue of his excellent oratory skills.



## CHOCOLATES

RITHIKA R. - 10 A

The Mayan people were some of the first to grow large plantations of cocoa as early as 600 AD. Both the Mayan and the Aztec people used cocoa as a form of money. Early explorers brought chocolate to Europe. It was later brought to North America.

Chocolate has since become an incredibly popular food product that millions indulge every day for its unique, rich and sweet taste.

### HEALTH AND BEAUTY BENEFITS OF CHOCOLATE

- Today, chocolate is lauded for its tremendous antioxidant potential.
- It helps in lowering cholesterol levels, reducing the risk of cardiovascular problems.
- Dark chocolates helps to keep skin soft, healthy and glowing.

## EPICTIONARY

1. Crunk (adj) : very excited or full of energy.  
Eg : That party was so crunk that I didn't want it to end.
2. Drool worthy (adj) : extremely attractive or desirable.  
Eg : This shop has drool worthy pastries.
3. Audiophile (adj) : person who loves and collects high-quality audio equipment.  
Eg : I am an audiophile when it comes to music.
4. Drumble (n) : to be lazy, sluggish or mumble when speaking.  
Eg : I hate to listen to her drumble every day.
5. Freegan (n) : a person who uses thrown away materials to prevent wastage.  
Eg : I have seen many freegans in crowded cities.

# WORLD in a Nutshell

January 2017



**Oscar-winning 'The Exorcist' author dies at 89 :** William Peter Blatty, the author of the novel *The Exorcist* and writer of its Oscar-winning big-screen adaptation died AT 89.



**Robot reporter makes its debut:** A robot journalist made its debut in a Chinese daily newspaper with a 300 characters long article written in just a second, scientists say.



**China launches longest bullet train:** China on launched its longest bullet train "Shangri-la of the World" from Kunming, capital of south-west China's Yunnan Province to Beijing, expanding its high speed train network to about 20,000 km connecting almost all provinces.



**Google launches fund to donate \$4 mn to immigrant rights organisations:** Tech giant Google has created a crisis fund that could raise up to USD 4 million for four immigrant rights organisations, including American Civil Liberties Union and UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR).

to his White House partner of 8 years.

his own that dates back to the President-elect's childhood.



**4-year-old becomes librarian for a day in world's largest library:** A four-year-old girl, Dalayah Arana who has read more than 1,000 books, has become the "librarian for a day" at the world's largest library in the US.



**Trump takes oath on Abraham Lincoln Bible, Pence on Reagan's:** Donald J Trump was sworn-in as the US President using two Bibles: the one that President Abraham Lincoln used at his first inauguration, plus



**Obama surprises Joe Biden with top civilian honour:** President Barack Obama has awarded Vice President Joe Biden the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian honour, in a surprise tribute



**Alibaba's Jack Ma warns of 'big trade war' between China, US:** E-commerce giant Alibaba's founder Jack Ma has warned of a "big trade war" between China and the US under the new Trump Presidency if

to his White House partner of 8 years.

conflicts were not dealt properly.



**US Army plans to use biodegradable bullets that sprout plants:** The US Army is planning to use biodegradable bullets loaded with special seeds that sprout into plants which can eliminate ammunition debris and contaminants, reducing soil pollution in training grounds.



**Churches, synagogue offer own houses to burnt mosque members:** In a demonstration of solidarity, four churches and a synagogue have offered the use of their own houses of worship for the displaced members of a mosque that was gutted by fire in Victoria in the US state of Texas.

debris and contaminants, reducing soil pollution in training grounds.

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**Gene Cernan, last astronaut to walk on the moon, dies at 82:** Former astronaut Gene Cernan, who as the last person to walk on the moon returned to Earth with a message of "peace and hope for all mankind," has died, his family said. He was 82.



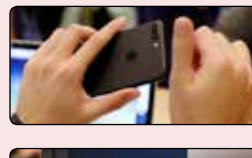
**Trump orders construction of Mexico border wall:** Acting on his campaign promises, US President Donald Trump has signed two executive orders for construction of a wall along the Mexican border.

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**Barack Obama proclaims January 16 as Religious Freedom Day:** "Religious freedom is a principle based not on shared ancestry, culture, ethnicity, or faith but on a shared commitment to liberty - and it lies at the very heart of who we are as Americans," Obama said on Religious Freedom day.



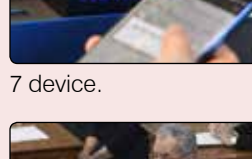
**An iPhone made in America? Not that simple:** US President Donald Trump pushes hard for goods to be "made in America."

Obama said on Religious Freedom day.

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**World's lightest watch unveiled in Geneva:** The world's lightest mechanical watch a widespread applications of graphene, is just an atom thick, and is expected to revolutionise the automotive and aerospace industries.



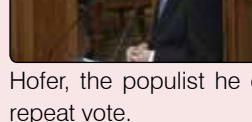
**Samsung blames Galaxy Note 7 fires on faulty batteries:** The world's biggest smartphone maker Samsung blamed faulty batteries for the fires that led to last year's humiliating recall of its flagship Galaxy Note 7 device.

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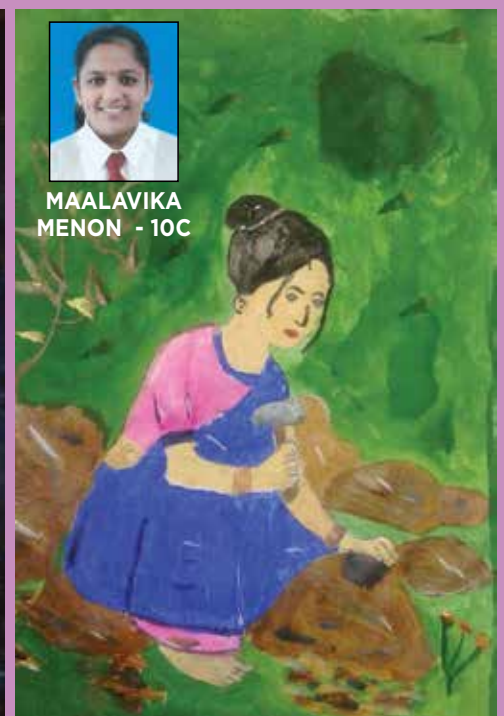
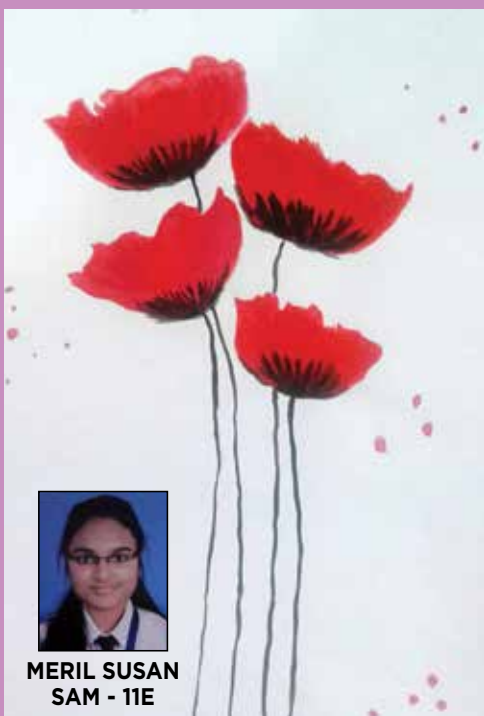
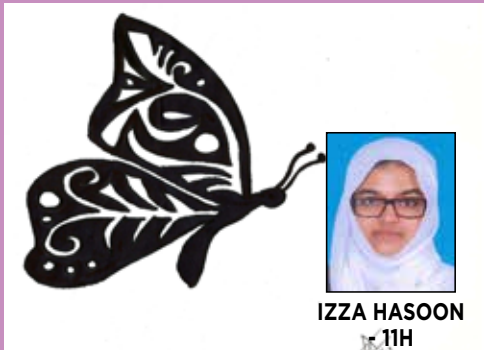
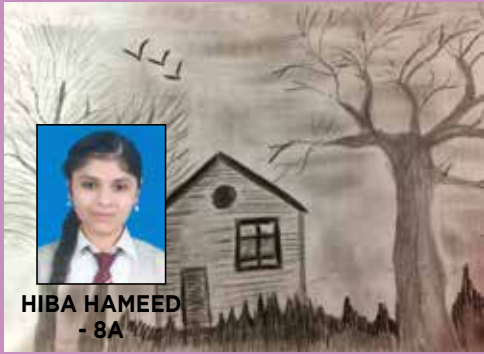


**Obama says goodbye in last presidential speech:** Obama closed the book on his presidency, with a farewell speech in Chicago.



**Austria's left-leaning winner new presidential is sworn in:** President Alexander Van der Bellen outlined a vision markedly different from that offered during campaigning by his right-wing rival Norbert Hofer, the populist he defeated last month after an unprecedented repeat vote.





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# SAROJINI NAIDU - NIGHTINGALE OF INDIA



Sarojini Naidu, also known as Sarojini Chattopadhyaya, was a famous Indian poet and a major freedom fighter who went on becoming the first Indian woman to be appointed the President of the Indian National Congress. Most of all, she was a noted child prodigy and a master of the children's literature. Naidu was given a sobriquet Bharat Kokila (The Nightingale of India) on account of her beautiful poems and songs. Some of her best books that established her as a potent writer include, The Golden Threshold, The Gift of India, and The Broken Wing. An active participant of the Indian Independence movement, Naidu joined the national movement taking Gandhi's call and joined him in the popular Salt March to Dandi. With the Indian Independence in 1947, Sarojini Naidu was made the Governor of the Uttar Pradesh in the wake of her contribution to the movement.

The Nightingale of India, Sarojini Naidu was a prolific writer and poet. The first volume of her poetries The Golden Threshold was published in 1905, after which two more collections The Bird of Time and The Broken Wing arrived in 1912 and 1917 respectively. Meanwhile in 1916, she authored and published a biography of Muhammad Ali Jinnah entitled as The Ambassador of Hindu-Muslim Unity. Other acclaimed poems that came following are The Wizard Mask and A Treasury of Poems. Other selected works written by her include The Magic Tree and The Gift of India. She was given the name Bharat Kokila on account of the beautiful and rhythmic words of her poems that could be sung as well.

# BEST CLASSES JANUARY 2017

## Senior



FIRST - 11A



SECOND - 11L



THIRD - 11G

## Secondary



FIRST - 8C



SECOND - 9A



THIRD - 9B

## LANGUAGE TRIVIA

"Euouae," a medieval music term, is the longest word in English that contains only vowels. It's also the word with the most consecutive vowels.

"Screeched," which means to make a harsh sound, is the longest one-syllable word in English.

"Unprosperousness", meaning not wealthy or profitable, is the longest word in English in which each letter is used at least two times.

The words "facetiously," "abstemiously," and "arseniously," each contain all six vowels (including "y") in alphabetical order. The word "duoliteral" contains all five vowels (not including "y") in reverse alphabetical order.



## Forth coming Events

- Aashirvad 2017- Blessing Ceremony for Class XII 2016-17
- Prayan 2017- Welcoming Ceremony -Class XII 2017-18
- Kuwait National Day & Liberation Day Celebrations
- Model Examination for Classes IX & X
- Second Model Exam for Class XII



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