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SPECTRUM... BE THE CHANGE VOLUME 3 JAN-APR 2015-16

“Technology is just a tool. In terms of getting the kids working together and motivating them, the teacher is most important.” - Bill Gates

Etymologically, the word curriculum is derived from the Latin word “Currere” which means a racecourse or a runaway, on which one runs to reach goals. Education should help to pursue the students to achieve their goals, ideals and aspirations of life. Education is the only field in which we can make any other career possible. “A school does not consist of buildings and latest instruments only. It is the teacher who makes the school”. Teachers have the opportunity to change students’ lives and futures everyday, and face the responsibility to set them up for success and high achievement- and I love it! Keeping all this in mind, we have added another chapter by releasing our last edition of the School Newsletter for the academic year 2015-2016.



“Spectrum” is the school newsletter through which the students can expose their literary and artistic talents, achievements in curricular activities and academic excellence which are highlighted! I congratulate the BBC Team, students who have contributed to this issue and enhanced its perfection and beautification through their articles, short stories, poems, jokes....

Heading and teaching Computers in the Primary Section of CIS for the last 11 years has been a great long journey but I can say a contented one. It is a common belief that good education is that which helps to build good character and personality of a child. Technology has changed and will change many ideas of education; the potential of educational systems captivates the lives of many students and teachers. The effects of technology in the classroom are related to both the teacher and the students. In the past classrooms were lecture driven; with technology involved in education, the students are more active in their learning. Computers facilitate audio-visual representation of information, thus making the process of learning interactive and interesting. Teachers bring presentations in flash drive, plug it into a computer in the classroom, and the teaching begins. There’s color, there’s sound, there’s movement-the same old information comes forth in a different way and learning becomes fun. The otherwise not-so-interesting lessons become interesting due to the audio-visual effects. Difficult subjects can be explained in a better way, things become easier to follow, thanks to the use of computers in education. The teacher is no longer the center of attention but a facilitator or guide of information. Technology in the classroom allows the students to be more active with the opportunity of communication of information. By being active the students are more likely to generate their own choice on how to obtain, manipulate, or display information. This gives students the confidence. "Technology is the ultimate carrot for students. It's something they want to master. Learning to use it enhances their self-esteem and makes them excited about coming to school". Technologies also give an opportunity to the students and teachers to form a broader perspective of learning other skills. Computers have changed the ways of teaching and learning mathematics. This is what even I have experienced over the years being a Mathematics teacher.

Individually and collectively let’s work to serve the cause of education, for the betterment of the coming generation so that they live in a world where “knowledge is free and the head is held high”; where “the world has not been broken into fragments by narrow domestic walls” and “the clear stream of reasoning has not lost its way”. Let our boys and girls grow as world class citizens – a generation of eminent thinkers and wise planners contributing to a better world order! Lastly, I would like to thank the Management, our respected Principal Madam and Section heads ,my colleagues for bestowing their trust, confidence, support and co-operation in me over the years so that I could put my best work forward.

Ms. Alpa .A Bhandari

Computer Coordinator- Primary Section



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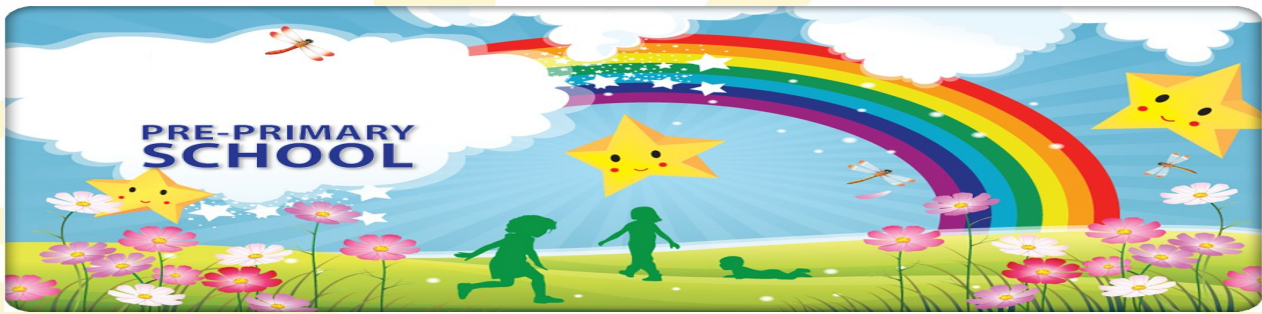
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A bus ride to 'Play Around Us'

This was a child friendly , colourful indoor amusement centre where the children let themselves jump with joy and excitement as they experienced every ride, Gym activities and play balls corner with their friends.



time flies when you're having **FUN**



Our young students also made time to respect and show their sincere gratitude to the people who contribute and assist us in our daily living. A newspaper vendor, Milkman, watchman, garbage collector and domestic help visited our school.

The children interacted with them and were explained their nature of work.

We consider ourselves lucky to avail their services in our routine.



FAREWELL

Our budding students are now finally ready to graduate.

In March we had a prep graduation ceremony where the children proudly wore the blue gowns and blue caps and were captured in a camera receiving an achievement certificate. It was a proud moment for us to see them grow and graduate!





FAREWELL PARTY



On this happy note, the curricular year ended with a pre primary party where the teachers put up a puppet show ' Bheem and his animal friends'

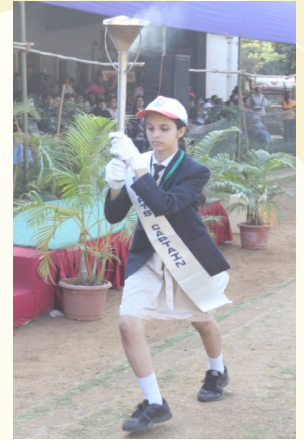
The children were also given 2 packets of wafers and one chocolate each on the party day.

We end our academic term for the year 2015-2016 with the summer vacation-
Happy Holidays!





Let's Sport



Investiture Ceremony





"True courage is like a Kite; a contrary wind raises it higher"

'MakarSankranti' festival was celebrated by the Primary section on 14 January 2016. An assembly was conducted which emphasized the importance of Indian festival 'MakarSankranti'. Students and teachers showed their love and respect by saying 'TIL GUL GHYA GOD GOD BOLA'. Later the school organized kite flying activity for the students of Class III & IV. Class I & II learnt to decorate their kites during their activity periods. It was indeed a great learning experience for the students.

We always want our students to soar high, just like kites that dot the sky!

'Shivaji Jayanti'

"Courage is not defined by those who fought and did not fall , but by those who fought, fell and rose again".

An assembly to get the students acquainted with the great Maratha king Shivaji Maharaj was conducted on 18 February 2016. The assembly enlightened the students about the accomplishments of Shivaji Maharaj and a short biography on the same was presented. A commendable performance by the students, highlighted the events and created awareness of the great warrior king.





INDIA
26 JANUARY
ONE NATION
HAPPY REPUBLIC DAY



Republic Day is celebrated every year on 26 January to commemorate the date and moment when the Constitution of India came into effect. The 67th Republic Day of India was celebrated with a great deal of patriotic zeal and fervour at CIS. Mr. and Mrs. Chauhan, parents of Janki Chauhan, our School Topper at the ICSE Board Examination for the 2014-2015 batch were the Guests of Honour. The event was anchored by Shlok Verdia and Sara Chipkar from Class 4. The programme began with invoking the blessings of the Almighty with a prayer song followed by the School Prayer and School Anthem. Our esteemed Principal, Mrs. Kaddowalla hoisted the National Flag which was followed by the National Anthem. The students saluted the National Flag and pledged themselves to upholding the honour and integrity, diversity and uniqueness of 'India'.

Principal Madam addressed the gathering with her precious thoughts. Shazia Laljee and Kanishka Thakur from Class 3 presented an inspiring speech on Republic Day. Varenym Pandya from Class 6 mesmerized the audience in his melodious voice with a patriotic song. This was followed by the Prize Distribution Ceremony organized to honour and acknowledge the proficiency prize winners of the academic year 2014-2015. Our Guests of Honour, Mr. and Mrs. Chauhan and Principal Madam felicitated the students. The students of Class 10 were felicitated for their outstanding performance in each subject. The Cultural Programme began with the Prayer Dance performance highlighting the rich culture and traditions of our motherland. The students of the Secondary Section performed a beautiful play 'Way to Paradise' which was thoroughly enjoyed by the audience. The students of the Primary Section also put up a skit depicting the 'Jallianwala Bagh' massacre and paid a tribute to the brave heroes who sacrificed their lives for the country. The Investiture Ceremony was held to inculcate the qualities of leadership, discipline and service in our students. The outgoing Student Council of Class 10 handed over their duties to the newly elected members of Class 9. The outgoing members were thanked for carrying out their duties sincerely and the newly elected members congratulated. The event concluded with the 'Vote of Thanks' by Shlok Verdia. The students took pride in glorifying and celebrating the spirit of unity. The zest and enthusiasm of our students truly made the event a great success!



Farewell and Good Luck



On 23 February 2016, the crucial time of the year, when the session is on the winding up routine, students are busy in preparing for their exams, something was holding us back. Something that was so heavy that was the feeling of bidding farewell to the students of Class IV.

Primary students of Class III hosted a farewell party for the students of Class IV. The day started with great excitement and merriment, as all the Class four students dressed up to their glamorous best. The programme started with a prayer song followed by a welcome speech. The occasion was made lively and entertaining by dance, music and skits performed by the students of Class III & IV. Next was some heart touching reflections when Class IV students travelled down memory lane expressing their thoughts, feelings and experiences.

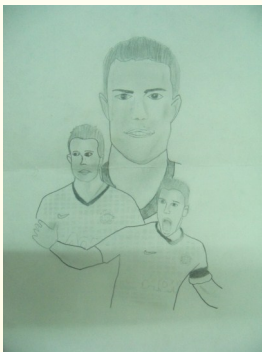


FAREWELL SPEECH

Respected Principal ma'am, Chhabria Ma'am, teachers and my dear friends. Today we have gathered here for the class IV farewell. Time truly flies. I remember coming to this school crying, weeping and clinging to my mother and now I wake up every morning waiting to reach school. Our journey from the first to fourth has been amazing. Our teachers are true ideals. They have not only taught us studies but have made us disciplined, responsible and smart children. Sometimes they have been strict with us and sometimes very lenient allowing us to enjoy and even enjoying with us. We have spent the best of our time in the primary making friends learning and enjoying. The extracurricular activities in this school balance sports and studies very well. Our annual day, sports day and various competitions have given each and every child a platform to showcase their talent. The talented teachers of our school have begun our journey of becoming global citizens which is the motto of our school and I am very excited to enter the secondary section and continue the same. Our school is our second home. Today with a very heavy heart I bid adieu to my dear teachers and friends of the primary section. You will always hold a special place in my heart forever.



Talent Show



Ali Maknojia-III A



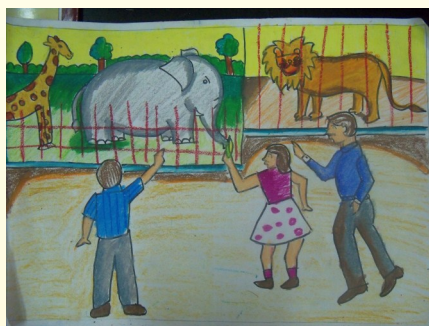
Kainat Khan-IV C



Sada Sen



Sara Chipkar-IV A



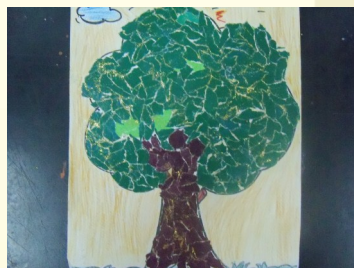
Nivedhita Ravishanker-III C



Janav Mehta-IV C



Sanika Moghe-III D



Ishmael-III A



मराठी भाषा दिवस

प्राथमिक विभाग

उद्देश्य - विद्यार्थ्यांमध्ये मराठी भाषेविषयी जागृती निर्माण करणे आणि मराठी भाषेचे महत्व पटवून देणे.

प्रत्येक वर्षी २७ फेब्रुवारी हा दिवस जगभरातले मराठी भाषिक लोक 'मराठी भाषा दिवस' म्हणून साजरा करतात. मराठी कवी विष्णू वामन शिरवाडकर उर्फ कुसुमाग्रज यांच्या जयंतीचे औचित्य साधून हा दिवस साजरा केला जातो.

हा दिवस महाराष्ट्राची राज्यभाषा असलेल्या मराठी भाषेला सन्मान देण्याचा दिवस आहे. १३०० वर्षांची भाषिक परंपरा लाभलेल्या आणि ९०० कोटी जनतेची मातृभाषा असलेल्या मराठी भाषेविषयी समाजामध्ये जागरूकता निर्माण करण्याचा हा दिवस आहे.

सिटी इंटरनशनल स्कूल, ओशिवरा, मुंबई. या शाळेतही 'मराठी भाषा दिवस' साजरा करण्यात आला. या दिवशीचा परिपाठ मराठीमध्ये सादर करण्यात आला.

हा परिपाठ इयत्ता ३ री आणि इयत्ता ४ थी च्या विद्यार्थ्यांनी सादर केला.

परिपाठाची सुरुवात शाळेच्या प्रार्थनेने झाली. त्यानंतर कुसुमाग्रजांचे एक प्रार्थनागीत सादर करण्यात आले, मराठीमध्ये सुविचार सांगण्यात आला, त्यानंतर मराठीतील एक नृत्यप्रकार लावणी नृत्य सादर केले गेले, संवेदनशीलता या विषयावर छोटीशी नाटिका सादर करण्यात आली. या नाटिकेनंतर बातम्या सादर करण्यात आल्या.

रुजवू मराठी, फुलवू मराठी

आजच्या दिवशी, चला बोलू फक्त मराठी

अशी घोषणा देत विद्यार्थ्यांनी मराठीबद्दलचे प्रेम व्यक्त केले. शेवटी राष्ट्रगीताने परिपाठाचा समारोप करण्यात आला.

या परिपाठाच्या माध्यमातून विद्यार्थ्यांमध्ये मराठी भाषेविषयी आवड निर्माण होण्यास मदत झाली.



We are proud of our student Pratham Chollera Class-IV A who has won YW story teller contest of the HINDU young world newspaper of Friday March 25, 2016 edi-

ARJUN THE SAVIOUR

Once there was a boy named Arjun. He was eight years old. Once on a weekend he was going out for a circus. The circus was only a few blocks away. He reached the circus much before time. He was curious so he took a round of the tents. Outside a tent he saw two puppies trying to perform the trick under the guidance of their master. They were not able to perform properly so their master hit them with a stick. Arjun was grieved but he came up with a brilliant plan to save these wriggling bodies. Arjun recorded this on his Smartphone. The puppies faltered and he them again. He directly took the video to the police. The next day Arjun accompanied the police to the circus. When the police questioned the people in the circus they came to know that the animals were treated very badly, they were not fed, they were all very weak, they were beaten up by their masters. The police caught the head and the other and they were locked up in the jail. The animals were released. Arjun had a sigh of relief. It was all done. He felt a sense of pride and happiness. It has been an eventful weekend and time had flown. But now, that was all in the past. He smiled as he knelt beside the two excited, wriggling bodies, frantically wagging their tales. They understood each other perfectly. Max and spice were grateful that Arjun had saved their lives. As they walked beside him, the Rot writers knew they had made a friend for life.



science exhibition



Science Exhibition on Light and Light-based technology was held at Billabong, Thane on 28th January, 2016. The students of our school were awarded certificate and trophy for participation.





Articles

To my Teacher with Love

“ By the end of this year, I will surely buy a vehicle- a car or a scootie”

This was the New year resolution I made on January 1, 2015... and true to my word, I bought a scootie on November 1 , albeit later in the year. My scootie was kept in my building compound in Vasaiand it remained there till December 31, 2015, I , never having rode it even once in the past two months !! There it was- Sixty thousand rupees, my hard earned money just standing stagnant and unused outside my window !! Oh what a waste !!

So although my resolution was fulfilled technically, it wasn't in reality.

Come another New Year 2016 and I make a resolution again. This time 'To learn to **ride** the scootie'.

I had seen all types of females ride a scootie- fat , thin, tall, short, old, middle- aged, sareed or frocked and I thought to myself, “ If they can do it, So can I !” Also, from whoever I heard, all told me that a scootie was the easiest vehicle to ride. “You'll learn it easily”, they said.

With butterflies in my stomach, I enrolled at a driving class and was asked to report to a Mrs Rajashree, the following evening at six. I reached the venue a little before time. My teacher had not yet come. I considered returning home , but something inside me wouldn't let me give up. I stayed. My teacher came at 6:20 p.m .We began our first class. I struggled with the scootie..... I couldn't hold its weight. It kept staggering from one side to the other. My right hand couldn't control the speed. It was a total put off.

To add to my misery, the ground where we were practicing had lots of people around, those on their evening walks, some young boys chatting, children playing etc. And everyone kept looking at me suspiciously as if I was going to mow them down with my wavering directions!

My class was meant only for two weeks. But at the end of twelve days I was still paddling with the bike as I did on the first day. My teacher told me to continue coming to learn. I did.....

On the twentieth day there was still no progress ! I was paddling the bike as I did on the first day and then something happened....

As I was taking a turn at a bend, the bike slipped and I fell with the bike. The watchman of the area came to my aid and my teacher came running to me. She didn't look at her bike , she looked at me and asked me whether I was alright. I felt so bad! Not because I fell, but because I dropped my teacher's bike and it was leaking petrol now. I decided then and there that I was never going to learn the bike!

I returned home that day determined never to go back.

The next day when I didn't turn up on time for class, my teacher called me. I didn't take her calls. I was crying on my pillow all afternoon and my eyes were red. I wasn't destined to ride a bike. I wouldn't go. No !

The following day as returned home from school, I decided to buy a gift for my teacher. After all, she had taught me! It was I who didn't learn .

I turned up at six to meet my teacher to give her the gift. She looked at me and said, “Don’t give up ! You will learn. I am telling you that you’ll learn! I myself took two months to learn ! Let’s try again.” We did ! In some days I was able to balance the bike and now although I am not yet pro at it, I know I’ll pass !

And why? Because my teacher didn’t give up on me !

So when you think of giving up, just remember that teacher who still has her hopes pinned on you and knows your potential more than you do ! And by teacher, I mean anyone- your parents, your siblings, your grandparents or even your school teacher. Do not let her down !

In the years gone by, I have had teachers in my life who’ve taught me life’s important lessons and here I wish to make a special mention of Principal Ma’am who has been a pillar of support for all her staff. Easily a leader, she is kind, understanding, approachable, knowledgeable, a mentor and a problem solver.

It’s under her guidance that City International School is constantly reaching new heights and I pray that her legacy continues

--- Ms Rubina Fernandes



Life in the Button

It seems to be a story!
But try not to take the glory!
Your life is in the button.
Which I suppose, not to be forgotten!

Of course it is necessary!
Don’t make it your accessory
Once you get too much into it
Your life will become a misfit.

Students, youth, young and old,
I urge you to take time and behold
Your life, CAGED! To unfold
On which you only have a hold!

Do you know the time you spend
Which at time we tend to extend
To communicate, send and depend.
Reading, replying, taking selfie...

Your life is precious
For every minute, every day is
auspicious
Make it a balance,
Cause it has no second chance!

-Ms Effie Mathias



ये प्रकृति शायद कुछ कहना चाहती है मुझसे

ये कान के पास से गुजरती हवाओं की सरसराहट
ये पेड़ों पर फुदकते चिड़ियों की चहचहाहट
ये समुन्दर की लहरों का शोर
ये बारिश में नाचती मोर
कुछ कहना चाहती है मुझसे
ये प्रकृति शायद कुछ कहना चाहती है मुझसे
ये चांदनी रात
ये तारों की बरसात
ये खिले हुए सुन्दर फूल
ये उड़ते हुए धूल
कुछ कहना चाहती है मुझसे
ये प्रकृति शायद कुछ कहना चाहती है मुझसे
ये नदियों की कलकल
ये मौसम की हलचल
ये पर्वत की चोटियाँ
ये झींगुर की सीटियाँ
कुछ कहना चाहती है मुझसे
-Kanchan shukla



RIVER MARCH



Students and the school staff participated in the River March to create awareness about the importance of the Oshiwara river as its condition has deteriorated. It was organized by the River March for India foundation.



FAREWELL



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