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23 leading schools. 750 participants. 28 events. But nothing beats the DC spirit! **Read more** 2

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"How many slams in an old screen door? Depends how loud you shut it. How many slices in a bread? Depends how thin you cut it. How much good in a day? Depends how good you live 'em. How much love inside a friend? Depends how much you give 'em."

-Shel Silverstein

Editorial

The formerly elapsed IPSC Fest makes one clasp their hands in joy as they wistfully recount the bountiful memories made. With the annual athletics meet looming, the morning resounds with 'Left, Right, Left' and Dalians building up stamina and speed on the tracks. The simultaneously occurring Nationals ensure a feast for everybody at the B.U.M. club while the CBSEs keep a lot of newly discovered talent busy. With this issue, the editorial board has tried to bring in quite a few changes which we hope will be appreciated by the readers!

Winter approaches, and a chill sets in, making us shiver, also in anticipation as the last month of school comes to a close. A narrow chasm, between the not quite and the not at all while the pre-boards stand as a solemn reminder of what can still be. And to this effect, a quote by H. Jackson Brown Jr. just seems fitting, "Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn't do than by the ones you did do. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover."

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Elina Saxena XII G



IPSC 2013 at DC



DC had the privilege of hosting the three most exciting, rewarding and memorable days in the second week of October, 23 leading public schools of India with over 750 participants and over a 100 escorts were a part of the IPSC Cultural Festival for Performing Arts and Literary events that were organized at our school. To host this mammoth number was an onerous task but it was carried out magnificently by the school with great planning and execution. The performing arts section had an unprecedented 16 events. The festival was inaugurated by the Dean of Academics, IIM Indore Dr. Ranjit Namboodri. Daliens, like all the previous years came out with superlative performances, a summary of which is given below:

DC in Music

- 1st in Indian Orchestra-DC Winner Sixth time in IPSC.
- 1st in Western Orchestra-DC Winner Sixth time in IPSC.
- 1st in Classical Vocal Solo (Shourya Jain) - DC Winner Fifth time in IPSC
- 1st in Indian Group Song
- 2nd in Classical Instrumental Solo (Purusharth Singh)
- 2nd in Classical Vocal Solo (Dhaval Kothari)
- 2nd in Western Group Song

DC in Dance

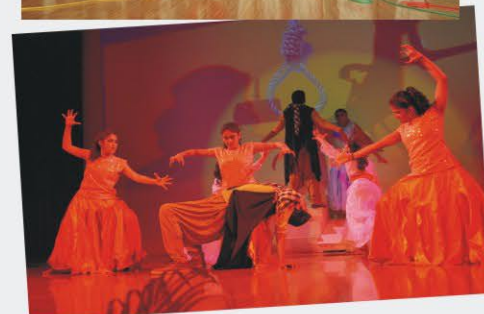
- 1st in Classical Solo Dance (Shivani Karmarkar)-Shivani- 4th time in a row and DC winner for the sixth time in IPSC.
- 1st in Choreography
- 1st in Western Dance
- 1st in Folk Dance

DC in Dramatics

- 1st in English Skit (First time in 11 years)
- 1st in Nukkad Natak
- Consolation Prize in Fancy Dress cum Elocution (Mili Kapadia)
- Consolation Prize in Hindi Skit

DC has stood first in 16 events and second in 3 events and got two consolation prizes. Apart from the performances, the social aspect of the festival was also praiseworthy. We were able to interact with hundreds of students from other public schools and make them our friends. The visitors thoroughly enjoyed the Principal's dinner, the DJ and the overall stay. The prize distribution was done in two phases. First by Ms. Anandita Nayyar, an upcoming actress and second by Mr. Jacky Bhagnani, the hero of a film that was being shot at DC itself called, Youngistan. A combined total of performing and literary prizes was 322. The Cultural Society would like to thank the Principal, Dr. Sumer Singh for giving us the opportunity of hosting and performing at the grand show. We would also like to thank all our teachers: Mrs N. Dubey, Mr. R. Nagle, Mr. A. Sathe, Mr. M Bawra, Mr. V. Jain, Mr. I. Khan, Mr. R.C. Chitale, Mr. I.S. Hora, Mrs. A. Mankotia, Mr. S. Tiwari and Mr. A. Trivedi for their guidance and training. Our special thanks to Mrs. Chawla for the excellent makeup. Our heartfelt gratitude to our Dean Cultural Affairs, Mr. A. S. Ansari without whom we would not have achieved this unparalleled success.

Aisha Ansari XII B



DC hosted the Literary festival from the 13th to the 15th of October which consisted of twelve events in total. Around 12 schools participated from all over India and the fest turned out to be a great success. The school also hosted the IPSC Cultural Festival and the Literary fest was inaugurated with the same. The students of the Daly College performed extremely well and the results are as follows:

Event: English Creative Writing (Sr.)
DC secured 2nd position-Adarsh Bindal
Event: Elocution of a famous person's speech
DC 3rd position Aishwarya Mahajan
Event: Hindi Elocution
DC 2nd position Shivani Mangal
Event: Hindi Creative Writing (Sr.)
DC 3rd position Samarth Narang
Event: Hindi Creative Writing (Jr.)
DC 1st position Anoushka Dalal
Event: Turncoat Debate (English)
DC 1st position- Aaisha Ansari
Event: Literary Quiz
DC 2nd position- Vaibhav Mehdiratta and Adarsh Bindal
Event: Book Review
DC 1st position- Aaisha Ansari
Event: Vocabulary Quiz
DC 3rd position- Siddharth Rungta and Samarth Narang
Event: Hindi Extempore Speech
DC 1st position
Aishwarya Mahajan

A total of 36 prizes were given out. The literary fest brought out the creative skills of the participants. All the competitions were of a very high standard. The English and the Hindi departments deserve all the praise whose teachers, under the overall leadership of Mr. A.S. Ansari

Aaisha Ansari XII B



IPSC VISUAL ARTS 2013

With cartons full of paints and a head full of excitement, a team of 8 students, namely Anand Bansal, Ayushi Paras, Nimrah Qureshi, Sakshi Sanghvi, Simran Karda, Shriya Zamindar, Uttkrasha Seghal and Avni Goyal escorted by Mrs. Aprita Dasgupta participated in the IPSC Visual Arts Fest held at Welham Boys' School, Dehradun. The participants performed fairly well, given the competition and intense atmosphere, and got positions in 3 events.

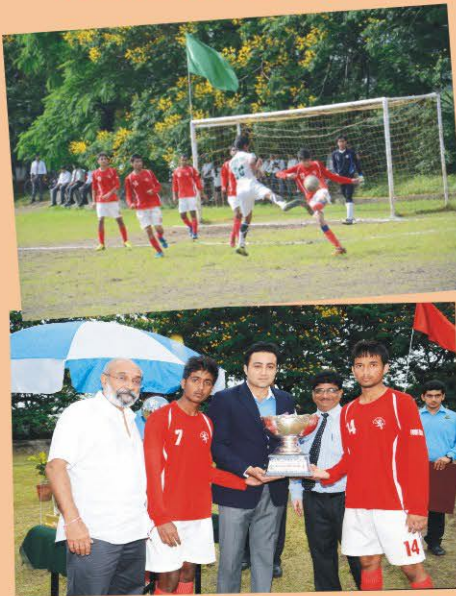
- 1st in Hand Painting: Nimrah Qureshi and Avni Goyal (model)
- 2nd in Face Painting: Sakshi Sanghvi, Simran Karda and Nimrah Qureshi (model)
- 2nd in Conceptual Photography: Anand Bansal and Avni Goyal

Apart from this, the school had organized some events like Vox Populi where we debated over the censorship of nude art, a dance night and a grand principal's dinner. We also had the privilege of visiting Doon School's art center. We would like to thank the school for this wonderful opportunity.

Avni Goyal XII D



KASLIWAL TOURNAMENT



The 29th Kasliwal Tournament was held from 12th of August to 19th of August. This tournament was initiated by the Kasliwal family. Sixteen schools from the city participated in this league-cum-knock out tournament. This first match was played between DC-A and Columbia Convent which was won by the home team by a respectable margin of five goals. The next match was scheduled between DC-B and Satya Sai which the final whistle declared a draw leading to a tie-breaker which unfortunately did not end in our favour. DC - A

maintaining its position in the tournament now played a match against N.P.S and won with a brilliant score of 4- 0. Winning through and through, DC-A had entered the league and now played against Emerald which ended with both the teams scoring one each. The next match was against Delhi Public School which again ended in a draw. Having a higher goal average, DC-A played against Satya Sai in the semi-finals leveling the defeat the home team had faced earlier by scoring three marvelous goals. Down to the finals, DC-A was now against Emerald Heights and despite putting in a lot of effort, we finished in a draw with a score of 2-2. It was time now for a penalty shootout to decide who would lift the trophy. The penalties ended with a score 1-3 with Yashraj Parekh being the only one to score. DC-A finished runners-up in the tournament but some of our players exhibited some extraordinary skills during the due course of the tournament adding colours to our school.

Vishal Meda XII G

IPSC SWIMMING

"Take up one idea. Make that one idea your life - think of it, dream of it and live on that idea. Let the brain, muscles, nerves, every part of your body, be full of that idea, and just leave every other idea alone. This is the way to success." This quote by Swami Vivekananda was indeed our success mantra. On 20th October, 2013 16 swimmers from DC escorted by 3 coaches and under the captaincy of Aakanksha Wadhwani and vice captaincy of Mili Kapadia left for IPSC Aquatics Championship to Vidya Devi Jindal Girls' School, Hissar. The events started on the 22nd and ended on the 24th. The Dalians truly proved to be the best swimmers and we won the second runners-up trophy for the first time in DC's history. The achievement doesn't stop there as Tanvi Satish won the title for the best swimmer in the under- 14 category. And three girls from our team namely, Tanvi Satish, Anandi Nair and Shubhi Tripathi got selected for Nationals. We would like to thank our Principal, Sr. Vice Principal, Dean Sports, Mr. Dharam Verma, our coaches Mr. N.K Saiwal, Mr. Satish Jambhulkar and Ms. Deepa Yadav for their unconditional support and guidance.



Aakanksha Wadhwani XII D (Swimming Captain)

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IPSC GIRLS' FOOTBALL

After years of hard work, facing failures, practising round the clock and with immense enthusiasm, The Daly College Girls' Football Team became the champion of the All India U-17 IPSC Tournament. The IPSC was hosted by MGD Girls', Jaipur. Six teams participated in the tournament. Pool-A comprised of Pinegrove school, Mayo college and DC. The inaugural match against Pinegrove school (last year's champion) ended with a score 0-1 which was in their favour. Our spirits were not doused despite the defeat and so we played against Mayo in the later part of the day and finished it as a draw. With a higher goal average, now it was time to play the semi-finals against Modern School. The match turned tense when it led to a tie-breaker which DC won with a score 4-2 making the team roll into the finals. The final match was to be played against Pinegrove School again but this time we were determined to win it and this time we did, the final whistle declared us the overall winners after a score of 1-0 which was scored through a corner kick taken by Mrinalini Singh. The DC team exhibited some extraordinary skills for which six players got selected for the SGFI U-17 Nationals, namely, Mrinalini Singh, Dishita Simlot, Kritika Kasliwal, Avika Parekh, Anushka Rathore and Abhipriya Verma. Also, the whole team, which is now the IPSC team, qualified for the Subroto International Cup to be played in Delhi. Throughout the tournament, our team realized how hard work always pays off and what sportsmanship truly means. We have always been motivated to play well and this victory is to everyone who believe in our potential.

Kanika Puar XII G

REPORT ON GRIHA

Committed to environment protection and sensitizing the community to the need of sustainable future, the Daly College hosted a symposium on "Green Built Environment for Decision makers through GRIHA Platform" on October 19, 2013.

The workshop was supported by the Ministry of New & Renewable Energy (MNRE), GoI and in collaboration of Association for Development and Research of Sustainable Habitats (ADaRSH), New Delhi and IIT, Indore. The school through its Green Centre would have regular training of teachers and students to undertake greener life style and would have an assessment framework against certain nationally acceptable benchmarks for its environment performance by GRIHA rating tool.



Rinku Joshi, Coordinator Resource Centre

IPSC BOYS' SHOOTING

With grueling practices and baited breath and sky high levels of anxiety, the DC Boys' shooting team left for the Mayo College, Ajmer on August 21, 2013. We reached Ajmer early in the morning next day. We practised that day itself and set our guns for bull shots. The Principal inaugurated the tournament. Following this there was march past by all the participating teams. Abhiraj Singh, the shooting captain held the flag of The Daly College. Post this, the matches commenced with a brilliant performance by the Dalian shooters!! Namdev Singh of the U-14 Pistol Category played impressively well giving us a great start. The next day, our excitement mounted when Kalpshakti

Veer Singh Ranawat of the U-19 Peep Sight Rifle Category secured a silver medal in the individual category. We saw some fantastic performances by Anil Kumar in the U-17 Peep Sight Rifle Category, Dhruv Raj Singh Jadon and Abhiraj Singh Parmar in the U-19 Open Sight and Peep Sight Rifle categories. The third and the last day also showed auspicious results with Tejeshwar Singh securing a silver medal in the U-19 Pistol category and Brajraj Singh of the U-17 Open Sight Rifle Category striking a gold!!! In the

friendly match, titled- "Champion of Champions" four top shooters of the entire IPSC tournament were selected.

Fortunately, three of them were Dalians. Here Kalpshakti Veer Singh Ranawat stood first and Anil Kumar was the runner-up. The much awaited closing ceremony took place with the chief guest being the Admiral Navy Chief, Col. Shekhawat. The DC boys won a total of 18 gold, 17 silver & 4 bronze medals and finally emerged as champions of the 10th Boys' IPSC Shooting Championship in all the three categories.

Achieving this feat would not have been possible without the support of our extraordinary coaches Capt. K.S. Chauhan and Capt. Charan Singh who devoted all their time to this prestigious tournament. We thank our school for supporting us through all the challenges faced and providing us with unmatched infrastructure.

Abhiraj Singh Parmar XII G (Shooting Captain)



IPSC GIRLS' SHOOTING

Action without thought is like shooting without Aim!!

On 21st August, The Daly College Girls' shooting team packed their kits, loaded their rifles and pistols and left for their IPSC tournament to Mayo College, Ajmer. The first day was given to practice and the shooters set their guns for bull shots. On the following day, we had the opening ceremony which started with the march past. Later the matches started and details went on for three consecutive days. Last day a friendly champion of champions match was organized in which Yashvi Singh bagged the third position. In the U-19-Category, in Peep Sight Air Rifle,

D.C. Team was placed second and the team comprised of Amita Singh, Himadri Singh, and Kimi Ralte. Individual gold and bronze medals were awarded to Aishwarya Mahajan and Yashvi Singh respectively. In Open Sight Air Rifle, D.C. team was placed first and it consisted of Ipsita Suvarna, Samartha Narang, and Kritika Beohar. Individual silver and bronze medals were awarded to Kritika Beohar and Ipsita Suvarna respectively. In Air pistol, Ritvika Jhalani won the individual gold and team silver was in favour of Daly

College which comprised of Ritvika Jhalani, Raagini Singh, Aayushi Chawla. In the U-17 Category, in Peep Sight Air Rifle, team silver was awarded to DC which comprised of Yagya Birla, Rhythm Tahilramani and Anushka Choukse. Anushka also got an individual bronze. In Open Sight Air Rifle, D.C. team was placed third and it consisted of Devangana Chouhan, Anushka Goel and Sangmitra Piploda. In the U-14 Category, in Peep Sight Air Rifle Mihika Poore, Arya Pilani and Harshita Ranjan won the team gold medal. Mihika and Arya also won individual gold and bronze medals respectively. In Open Sight Air Rifle, D.C. team was placed third and the team consisted of Zenab Bandukwala, Bhavya Parmar and Tanvi Satish. Zenab also received a Gold medal. In Air pistol, team bronze was awarded to D.C team comprising of Nandini Neema, Somya and Meera Jhalani.

And finally the tournament ended declaring The Daly College Girls' Shooting team the overall IPSC winners!

Amita Singh XII G (Shooting Captain)

CBSE HOCKEY: A REPORT

The Daly College U-19 Boys Team left for Nimbahera, Rajasthan on the 24th of October. It was time for our year long efforts to reflect in this 5 day tournament ie the CBSE West Zone Hockey Tournament. Since it had been a long time that the DC senior team brought good results we had a point to prove this year. We had a strong team and were sure that we were not going to return empty handed. Our first match was against the School Of Scholars, Akola, the day following our arrival at Nimbahera. The match ended 4-1 in favour of DC, Anant Varman scoring two goals and Aditya Raj and Surya Bhan Singh scoring one each. We were all pumped up to face our next opponents, the home team Kailash Vidya Vihar, Nimbahera. The first half stood scoreless. The second half started with DC making attacking efforts and finally Anant Varman broke the deadlock with DC scoring two more goals. With this DC entered the semi-finals. The next day we were up against Kolhapur Public School, Kolhapur. The teams were evenly matched but DC drew first blood as Suhit Pratab Singh scored in the first ten minutes to give DC the lead, both the teams were struggling till Kolhapur struck in the dying minutes of the game leading to a tie breaker which we lost. Our hearts were shattered as we lost the final by just a whisker. The last match for the third position was against ASM, Ganganagar and our spectacular performance reflected on the score sheet and the match ended 5-1 with DC claiming the bronze position amongst the 16 teams that had participated. Although the pain of losing, not making it to the finals by such a small margin still pricks, we managed to have a great time and bring back a lot of memories. We would like to thank our coach Mr. Ashok Yadav, who trained us for excellence and Mr. Dharam Verma for giving us the opportunity to go there and play.

Anant Varman XII G



Tiresome practices, research, honing our oratory skills and brimming with excitement, five Dalians namely, Vaibhav Mehdhiratta, Raagini Singh Panwar, Harshwardhan Jain, Avni Goyal and Dhruvraj Singh escorted by Dr.(Mrs.) Shampa Majumdar left on October 17 2013 for the Mayo College, Ajmer to participate in the 19th Padmashree JTM Gibson Memorial Invitational English Debates and Quiz. Raagini and Harshwardhan got busy on Day 1 as quizzing happened first and our quizzers performed decently. The debates commenced the next day, with two schools, also being international ones. There were two qualifying rounds – the extempore round and the turncoat round out of which four teams would sail into the semi-finals. Vaibhav participated in the extempore round on a thought provoking topic – ‘Labyrinth’. In the turncoat round, Avni spoke on a challenging topic – “Shakespeare Is An Inspired Idiot”. The results were truly auspicious as we qualified for the semi-finals! The semi-final round was held in the modified Cambridge format. Vaibhav, Dhruvraj and Avni participated in this round and Raagini doubled up as the resource speaker. Our opponents were our hosts – Mayo College. We faced yet another challenging topic- “Bored with life – I want to flirt with death”. It was a tough fight for the top position. Mayo qualified for the finals. Overall, we were ranked third out of twelve schools which is truly commendable as we were first timers at this prestigious debate. En masse, it was an enriching experience.

Dhruvraj Singh Thakore XII G

CAMBRIDGE SCHOOLS' CONFERENCE 2013

"Educating today's learners for tomorrow's world"

Mrs. Asma Ansari Deputy Dean CIE attended the Cambridge Schools Conference at United World College, East Campus in Singapore from 16 - 18 October 2013. The theme of the conference was, "Educating today's learners for tomorrow's world". Learners will succeed in the modern world by the effective application of new technologies, according to renowned speakers and teachers attending the Cambridge Schools Conference in Singapore. In debating how schools can help develop confident, responsible, reflective, innovative and engaged learners, over 370 teachers from around the world focused on the impact of new digital devices on learning; the latest technologies in the work place; the emergence of new categories of jobs driven by technological innovation and how technology can be best integrated into the classroom to benefit learners. Teachers were given the opportunity to hear from renowned experts from the world of international education, such as Ayesha Khana, Chief Executive at Urban Intel, Professor John G. Hedberg, Professor of ICT and Education at Macquarie University and Dr. Phil Kirkman, Teacher Associate at the University of Cambridge. Chief Executive at Urban Intel in Singapore, said: "Tomorrow's world is going to be very different from the one today – we are going to have subjects that are completely new and jobs that have never been seen before. To prepare our students for these changes it's important to use technology not only as a tool but as a partner. This year's Cambridge Schools Conference also provided teachers with the opportunity to engage with panel discussions, share best practice in facilitated workshops and meet in interest groups.

- Asma Ansari Deputy Dean, CIE



THE INTERNATIONAL ENGLISH OLYMPIAD 2013



The International English Olympiad was conducted by SOF (The Science Olympiad Foundation) New Delhi, for the first time in our school in which 472 students participated. The students did extremely well and we had some excellent results. There were 13 State Rankers out of which 2 of them – Vaibhav Mehdhiratta and Tanya Singh stood State First in classes 10 and 8 respectively. They received a gold medal, a DVD and a gift

cheque of Rs. 5000/-. Other state rankers are Mohit Chouhan, Abhishek Vora, Sahil Aktar, Gayatri Chitle, Vedang Acharya, Kimi Ralte, Ankit Attri, Mudit Agrawal, Kunal Kothari, Mayank Singh and Tanmay Khandelwal. Many students also won gold, silver and bronze medals thus securing first, second and third position in their respective classes.

Vaibhav Mehdhiratta XI B

REPORT ON THE OLD AGE HOME VISITS

The students of class 11 and 10 accompanied by their teachers visited old age homes - Aastha Seva Vridh Aashram and Shre Amar Sevashram and Parmarthik Trust respectively. The anticipation and excitement of the students was shared by the inmates of the homes. The students interacted with the seniors and even offered them food (a packet of biscuits and an apple). The homes were well equipped with facilities and were very well maintained and hygienic. The people living in the homes shared their life experiences with the students. They talked about their families and the circumstances under which they came to live in the homes. They also shared vital lessons of life with the students who listened intently. The visit to the homes was a rewarding and heartwarming experience for both the students and the inmates of the home.

Josephine Lalruatsangi XI - G



LEAD AMERICA BUSINESS INNOVATION CONFERENCE 2013

On 20th June the excitement had just begun for the Dalians. 10 students namely, Minakshi Mangal, Yashasvi Kaneria, Anisha Maheshwari, Vedant Kedia, Avijeet Singh, Anshika Narang, Mishank Hassanandani, Mrinalini Singh and Anirudhh Airen escorted by Mr. Dharam Verma, Dean Sports, went to attend the Lead America Business Innovation and Leadership Summit Conference 2013 in Stanford University, Palo Alto. Hadn't the 36 hour long journey already crossed our exhaust meter that on reaching Stanford it hit on us that we didn't know where our dorms are! This magnificent 8810-acre campus had got us! The time difference assured us crashing out considerably early. The very next morning, our dorm "Roble" was brimming with the eager souls signing up at the registration counter. We were divided into groups led by faculty advisors who also gave us a trip round the campus and to off limit spots. The places bound to us included the education building 400-700, the venue for breakout sessions but what we flipped over was the Tressider Union, an eatery joint we could hang out whilst our free time. Post our ice breaking sessions, our first break out session, we were reminded of our purpose of the conference. Our business proposal was checked in three days by the conference in-charge, Miss Samma. If approved we then had to give a detailed Executive summary including details of finance and details of the product. The first hand experience of a business person ran through us already. The few keynote speakers were appreciable executives from Apple, Walmart and ebay. Furthermore, a Stanford's admission representative and panel of our own Fas helped us with choosing colleges. Visiting the golden gate bridge, fishermen's wharf and a few malls when out freshened us up during these 10 long hectic days. The Conference has enriched us in so many ways. We have grown more responsible, learnt management skills and the capability and capacity of achieving what we aim at. Cultivating all these within would not have been possible without this evergreen experience of Lead America.

Anshika Narang XII F and Minakshi Mangal XII C



EXCHANGE TO ST. PHILIPS COLLEGE, ALICE SPRINGS, AUSTRALIA

All my life, I had been waiting for an adventure trip, a life changing experience, and was excited when I finally got one. My exchange to St. Philips College, Alice Springs, Australia has been more than a memorable one. I learned different languages and ways to live. The school offered many fun-filled activities and service activities in which I actively participated. I was also an active member in the school drama production. They organized Hot Air Ballooning, Camping at Uluru, and a tourist walk and activity week. We went to the Reptile Centre, Royal Flying Doctor Service, Desert Park, and School of the Air as a part of the walk and activity week. I was also lucky enough to be able to celebrate the ANZAC Day and the Queen's Birthday. The last week of my exchange was the best week as I attended the Year 9 camp which was for 9 days and 9 nights. In this camp, I was in a group of 19 people and had to survive in the wild along with them. Walking 50 km with a 15 kilo backpack, climbing Spinifex Hill, swimming through freezing water gorge, lighting the fire, setting up the tent, bush cooking and making friends who can never be forgotten made my last week the most amazing. With heavy hearts, we all came back to school and it was already time to come home. This exchange is the best thing that has ever happened to me.

Subhadra Goyal XI G



Reasons why the electric chair is a preferable alternative to visiting Australia

Reason 1: Koalas can (and will) frame you for murder.

Chimps are the only mammal, apart from humans, that have fingerprints, even those are dynamically different from ours. Enter, the koala. Koalabears have fingerprints that are IDENTICAL to humans'. There have been recorded cases in Australia where this has given pause (paws?) to detectives at crime scenes. And besides, one look at a koala is enough to show its diabolical nature. Those large, soulless eyes, that overgrown excuse for a nose, the perpetual hanging from- a-tree; one can instantly peg koalas as the perpetrators for the Australian bush fires (and shootings?)

Reason 2: Australia is mother nature's mosh pit from her twisted, Gothic, Kafkaesque phase.

Mother nature got all mass murderer (the original inspiration, some believe, for Jack the Ripper) while populating Australia with animals. No, seriously. Animals like the Blue ringed octopus and the stonefish (the two most venomous sea creatures) are found in glorious abundance around this hellish crop of land that kangaroos (who's punches have been known to break bones) call home. Did I mention that the waters around Australia are rich in Great white sharks and stingrays? Hell, if they managed to do away with Steve Irwin, are we mere mortals even supposed to stand a chance? There truly is "Nothing like Australia", as their slogan goes. (How can anyone miss the satanic reference in the term "down under"?)

Reason 3: Vegemite.

This devil in a jar is SUPPOSED to be a bread-spread. If you've ever tried it, I feel sorry for you and for all those who haven't - it tastes like death.

***This article was written keeping in mind that Australians have an amazing sense of humor and can take a lighthearted joke. I have absolutely nothing against Australia and Australians, it is a beautiful country and koala bears even with that diabolical look are extremely adorable.

Adarsh Bindal XII D

ERRATUM

In a co-ed institution such as ours do you believe that healthy communication/interaction between both the genders should be given/deserves i) more freedom, ii) encouragement, iii) discouraged, iv) others, I am for encouragement. More so, because it has been my observation and experience that Dalians as a co-ed unit are extremely strong and therefore they easily defeat all other schools in intellectual and cultural pursuits. Having said this, I also expect astute maturity from both the sexes and they should not misuse the freedom.

- Mr. A. S. Ansari, Dean of Cultural Affairs

*We regret the inconvenience caused due to an error in the last issue.

KUDOS!

Amur Khandelwal of class VIII, in the FIDE Chess has been rated 1296. Our congratulations!!

ANNUAL ATHLETICS MEET

2013

One of the most awaited events of the school calendar, the Annual Athletics Meet, commenced on the 7th of November with the chief guest, Dr. Sumer Singh declaring it open. As always, the meet started with the march past on the beat of the school band and the college party leading the way followed by the junior school contingents and the eight houses. Rigorous practices were done by everyone days prior to the meet resulting in a lot of wonderful performances seen during the course of the meet. The Boys' Athletic cup was won by Ashok House and Bharati House emerged victorious in the Girls' category. Rajendra House was declared the best marching contingent amongst boys while the Bharati house was the best amongst girls. The titles for the best athlete level I boys and girls were awarded to Akshay Chhawdi and Aishwarya Madan respectively. In level II the best athletes were Mohammed Burhaniwala and Devangana Chauhan. Six records were broken this year solely by the girls. Devangana Chauhan broke the record in 200m level II, Bhavika Neema in broad jump level III, Isha Kellogg in 800m level III, the relay team of Bharati House in level I 4x100m while Arya Singh broke records in shot put and javelin. The Chief Guest for the closing Ceremony, Mr. Amay Khurasia, a former cricketer of the Indian team, awarded the prizes and trophies to the winners. He also addressed the gathering giving invaluable advice about life and the importance of sports in life.

After three very eventful days, the hustle-bustle that the school is filled with during the athletics meet came to an end, only to return next year with better performances, more neck and neck competitions and the never ending house spirits of Dalians.

Raagini Singh Panwar XI G



House Achievements

The **Narsingharh Cup** for the Coek House for the year 2012-13 is won by **Jawahar House**. The **Garha Cup** for the Best All-round House amongst girls for the year 2012-13 is won by **Indira House**.

Keep it up!

Old Dalians' News

- The ODA has been regularly holding events for its members - the DC alumni - to meet and interact with fellow Old Dalians and relive their glorious school days! Some important events this year since May have been the ODA JS Anand Memorial Night Cricket Tournament at the B. U. M. Club, DC; the ODA Summer Dinner 2013 at the Desai Lake-side, DC; and the ODA Neon Club-Night at Quorum Lounge, Indore.
- The ODA is also endeavouring to take its meets & events at the doorsteps of more & more members, not just in India but also across the world ! With our first out-station gathering that started in Mumbai in 2011, we organised a dinner event for Old Dalians in the Rajasthan state, on September 14, 2013 at hotel Country Inn & Suites, Jaipur. The local members in the city & state came forward to help organise this ODA event.
- Old Dalians' Association is also very excited to announce it's a first-ever international meet in the history of ODA, its get-together for members in UAE! This meet would be held on Thursday, November 21, 2013 at Atlantis The Palm hotel & resort, Dubai, UAE, where ODA members from across the UAE cities are planning to relive their DC days, with old friends ! Many ODA members & office-bearers of the ODA Executive Committee are also flying down to Dubai from Indore. To make this historic ODA event even more important & star-studded, the Board of Governors of the DC including the Principal - Dr. Sumer Singh, has also decided to fly down to Dubai for the event ! The ODA, with the help of its members in Dubai, is pulling out all stops to make this event truly memorable.
- The ODA had also organised another historic & very important event, on October 31, 2013. As you know, DC's Principal - Dr. Sumer Singh - has completed ten full years of taking our alma mater to unparalleled heights in fields of academics, sports, social-service, art & culture, internationalism, and much more, in 2013. Therefore, ODA has thought it only appropriate to put up a function to celebrate these ten magnanimous years in DC's history, for its better future. During the function, the ODA honoured this great man by felicitating him and also by unveiling a book dedicated to him and his glorious years at the Daly College, over a musical evening, beside the Desai Lake.
- ODA is now finalising plans for its flagship event to coincide with this the DC APG - the ODA WEEK 2013, which is an annual event covering sports, quizzing, musical events, and cultural performances by the Old Dalians in the ODA Concert.
- We are also glad to announce that the ODA web-portal www.olddalians.org would soon be revamped totally, in its version 2.0 ! This would be an interactive portal, having the options to find your batch-mates and other ODs across cities in India & the world, look for job-openings at organisations headed by ODs, connect with your faculty, make yourself available for work in specific sector etc besides looking up for all events, photos, newsletters etc. I

♦ **Col. Akashdeep Bhanot** has become a One Star General. He is promoted to the rank of a Brigadier. He is the second Dalian to become a Brigadier. Our heartiest congratulations!!!

♦ Our very own **Shilpika Ganeriwala** sought admission into IIM- Indore pursuing the five year Integrated Programme in Management. Our congratulations!

♦ A perfect blend of brains and hardwork, **Jay Shrivani** is now studying at IIT(ISM)-Dhanbad. He makes us all proud.

STUDENTS' PAGE

BUCKET LIST

1 EAT 3 SAMOSAS ON A WEDNESDAY.

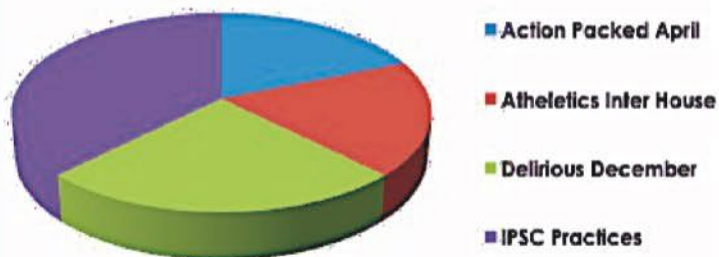
2 GET CHASED BY THE DUCKS AT THE LAKE (OR CHASE 'EM AWAY IF YOU ALSO LIKE TO LIVE DANGEROUSLY)

3 WAVE AT EVERY SINGLE PERSON YOU PASS IN THE CORRIDOR (DO SO AT YOUR OWN RISK AS YOU MIGHT COME ACROSS AS SOCIALLY UNACCEPTABLE OR MIGHT RUN INTO SOMEBODY LIKE THE VP).



KARTIKEYA JAISWAL AND SABIYA SHEIKH

Best Time Of The Year In DC?



- Dhruvraj Singh and Vanshika Bansal

Trending this Session

GOING UP!

*Nose rings

This trendy accessory seems to have taken DC by storm. A simple silver hoop is found to be the most preferred kind.

*House spirits

With the onset of the annual athletics' meet, poster, flags, banners, etc. seem to nr cherished props. The more the merrier seems pretty accurate.

*Coloured newsletter

squeals After considerable toil, we have brought this issue to you and we hope you like it!

GOING DOWN!

*Weight

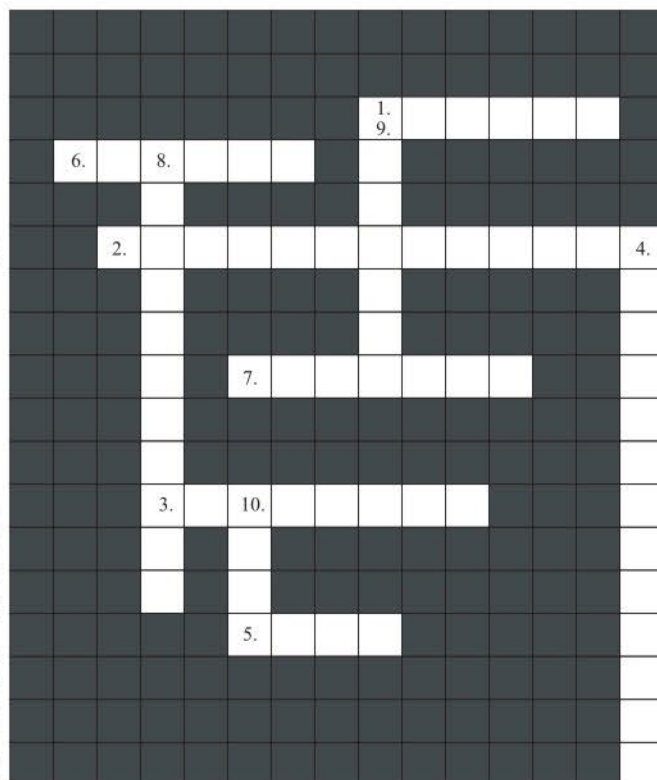
As High Tea approaches, girls (and sometimes even boys) can be seen, heard (and even felt) exercising, dieting and what not to shed those clingy extra kilos.

*Temperature

Need I say more?

Meghan Scott

CROSS WORD



1. an incongruous mixture; Having elements of great variety or incongruity; heterogeneous:
2. of an inhabitant of a place) indigenous rather than descended from migrants or colonists; ormed or originating in the place where found
3. of no value or importance.
4. kept secret, especially because it would not be approved of.
5. a part of a garment that fits over the shoulders and to which the main part of the garment is attached; a wooden crosspiece that is fastened over the necks of two animals and attached to the plough or cart that they are to pull.
6. mystical, supernatural, or magical powers, practices, or phenomena.
7. acting with or showing care and thought for the future.
8. a person's face or facial expression.
9. mark with spots or smears of colour.
10. involving or showing violence and bloodshed.

-Elina Saxena

Answers to the crossword
1. Motley 2. Autochthonous 3. Nugatory 4. Surreptitious 5. Yoke 6. Occult 7. Prudent 8. Countenance 9. Mottled 10. Gory

EUPHORIA

This year 'Euphoria' 'We are the World' depicted that the world is ONE and all the children of the world have similar aspirations and dreams and there are no barriers whatsoever.

Not just the theme but the program was interwoven with the curriculum where the children learnt the importance of the different festivals of the world, the importance of water, forests, our jungles, the interdependence on nature etc.

The Chief Guest for the evening was Mrs. Geetanjali Maheshwari who with her presence made the evening even more special. The Orchestra showcased the flair that our children have for playing any musical instrument melodiously. The wrath of Lord Shiva was depicted in the opening dance of 'The Tandava' which left the parents shell shocked to see such small children dance to perfection. The peppy Hindi song 'Happy Diwali' got the audience tapping their feet to the beats. Little girls grow up playing with dolls and these hold a very special



place in their life. In the dance medley the 'Doll House Rock' showcased dolls from different parts of the world like the Afros, the Barbies, the Yankees, The Babooshkas, the Arabian and our very own Rajasthani Kathputlies etc.

The English play 'Survival of the fittest' got the animals puzzling over the disappearance of the water from their habitat which they eventually solved to all the animals' relief. The touch of

comedy tickled the sides of one and all. To bring such a delightful evening to a close the Grand Finale 'Twelve Days of Christmas' enacted gave an air of festivity all around. The audience left with a message that goodness, compassion, love, togetherness and oneness does exist in our small yet big world.

REPORT on MUN WORKSHOP

An MUN workshop was organised by the MUN Club on the 30th September, 1st and 2nd October 2013.

The students of the MUN Club and the Dramatics Club and VII CIE participated in the workshop. It was conducted by Mr. Keshav Gupta a young and enterprising law student from Delhi who has an experience of conducting workshops in many Schools in India. The workshop began post lunch on the 30th of September. They were introduced to the important terminologies and the procedures and how to research through the first two days. This prepared the students for a Mock Session on the last day. The students impressed us with their skills and came well prepared with speeches and research done on countries they were allotted. They efficiently debated, discussed and lobbied over the agenda of "resolving the problem of the donation scam in some of the south African countries and its Global repercussions". The teacher observers were pleasantly surprised and proud to see this transformation in the students who were so keenly representing countries like USA, India, North Korea, Honduras, Guatemala, South Sudan to name a few. All in all it was a very educating, stimulating and enriching experience for the students. This work shop was a great success and helped in preparing the students for MUNs but also to not only be aware of Global issues but feel responsible and give a serious thought on bringing about Global peace and unity.

JR. SCHOOL NEWS

YRS CONFERENCE at SARLA BIRLA INSTITUTE, BANGALORE

26th September to 28th September 2013.

Escort - Mrs. Sunita Shaktawat

'Give until it hurts' was the theme of this YRS Conference hosted by Sarla Birla Academy, Bangalore.

Students from across India and abroad attended this conference which spanned over three days. Ansh Anand, Ronak Bhatnagar, Manav Bhansali, Jai Bhan, Khushi Goyal, Khariessa Mehan and Mrs. Sunita Shaktawat attended this conference from The Daly College.

We reached there on 25th Sept. The delegates and the accompanying teachers were accommodated in different rooms in the school campus,

in order to befriend and interact with one another. The conference commenced with lighting of the lamp and a motivational and inspiring speech by Mr. Arvind Raghavendran who told us how one could exceed boundaries in service to others. This was further discussed in the Baraza sessions. We also embarked on adventure activities which we all enjoyed. Various art activities were conducted like Tie & Dye, the marble painting, best out of waste, etc. to enhance the drawing and painting skills. Next day we were taken to Mysore where we visited the Mysore Palace and the Tipu Sultan Fort, which enriched the knowledge about our culture and heritage. In the evening a special dinner was hosted by the Principal Mr. Santanu Das at the swimming pool. The conference came to an informal ending, with the leadership workshop conducted by Mr. Syed Sulthan Ahmed, who is a renowned educator and a life-skills specialist. Mr. Syed focused on the art of public speaking and personality development skills. His workshop helped us gain valuable perspectives. The conference concluded with enthralling cultural performances by the delegates and the students of SBA.

True to the theme- 'Give until it hurts', I'm sure has been a small contribution towards the RS mission i.e. to develop not only the skills and abilities of Young leaders for a better tomorrow but also to encourage them to be compassionate towards all.



KHOJ –The Outbound learning Expedition (7th Oct. 2013 – 16th Oct. 2013)



'Khoj' is a journey where powerful experience unfolds and curiosity and creative anxiety of the unknown exist at every turn. It was a wilderness expedition where children and teachers explored and experienced the world outside

the school. It comprised of challenging experiences, both physical and emotional, leading to new awareness. The expedition consisted of students of grades 5 and 6. On 3rd Oct. 2013 Khoj organizers came to DC and conducted a workshop. They told about various activities and a gallery of posters and pictures of jungle life was put up for the children to make them aware of the jungle life. Each child chose one organism and collected information about it. They also told about the importance of each organism and what function does each organism perform in the jungle ecosystem. It was time for constructing new understanding and knowledge and most importantly to rediscover self. This trip definitely pushed the children to find strength they did not know they had. It was a great learning opportunity for the students and teachers of D.C. Jr. School to experience a well planned educational tour so close with nature.

WESTERN MUSICAL AFTERNOON

Wednesday- Oct. 23rd 2013

The feverish rounds of audition and practices culminated in the Western Musical Afternoon, on Wednesday 23rd Oct. 2013. We began with the Orchestra playing 'One way Ticket'. There were solo performances by Shubhra Jain (Baby), Chirag Salwan (Itsy Bitsy), Kanha Shrivastava (Breathless), Amol Chitale (Boulevard of broken dreams), Digvijay Singh (Burn it down), Shalavya Agrawal (Yellow submarine), Jhanvi Ratoria (Beauty and the beats), Manav Sanghvi (One way Ticket and Parv Bakliwala (The world is a rainbow). There were duets by Kanak Sharma and Siddhi (Titanic), Amay and Rohit (Castle Of Glass). The Group Songs – Boats on the River and Chirpy - Chirpy Cheep set the hall rocking. Three children who are doing the Initial course of Trinity College played Allegro in G and Minuet in F (Amitesh Mohan), Secret Garden - Kanha Shrivastava Little Playmates – (Anshuman Raj), on the piano. The afternoon ended with Mr. Gary Everett's encouraging words and some useful tips to the performers.



HALLOWEEN!

'Scary Scary Halloween Day'
'Dress up in a costume and make sure it can stay!'

The 31st of October saw the class 3 students celebrate Halloween where all the students came dressed up in different costumes. There were any number of witches, Draculas, princess, ghosts, superheroes. 'You name it, you saw it.' Along with this a gesture of sharing and caring in the form of a



short program and a food festival was also held. The school students of class 1 to 3 from Sanawadia were present which made the festival more meaningful. Bringing a smile to their faces indeed was worth it. It was heart warming to see the little ones tucking into the delicious spread displayed from the different countries China, U.K., U.S.A, Israel, Pakistan and India that was actually prepared by the parents of our students. Little tokens were presented to every student of Sanawadia which brought a bigger and wider smile to all faces.

Fancy Dress show

A fancy dress show was organised for the little ones of class I on the 29th of October. This fancy dress was marked with a difference where the children were dressed up as animals of different countries of the world such as Zebra and Giraffe of South Africa, horse and Beaver of Canada, Gallic Rooster of France, Kangaroo and Kuala of Australia, Red Squirrel and badger of Germany, the black bear of USA and of course the monkey, Peacock, tiger, rhino of our very own country. The students introduced themselves and their family members not forgetting to mention their habitat, food habits etc. The vibrant costumes gave a realistic effect and were a treat to the eyes. Not only did the children participate with enthusiasm but also amazed their parents and teachers by their immense talent which they exhibited explicitly through role play, recitation, action song and enactment. Simultaneously it was a message or an appeal to mankind to protect our wildlife from extinction. However, our show would not have been what it was without the unstinted support and co-operation of the parents.

Report on 16th Sub-Junior Inter Public School Hockey Tournament held at Pinegrove, Dharampur

The Sub-Junior Hockey team of DC participated in the IPS Sub-Junior Hockey tournament held at Pinegrove, Dharampur from 7th- 12th November, 2013. The team comprising of 16 players escorted by Mr. Shailendra Shaktawat and Mr. Mohan Dikhit left for Dharampur on 6th November 2013. DC team competed with Mayo College in the first match, which DC lost even after many attempts by Ajeet and Prithu Dev Singh. DC defeated YPS, Patiala in the second match by 4-1. The goals were scored by Ajeet, Nikunj, Ranveer and Ishraj Singh Yadav. The third match was played against Saint Soldiers Divine Public School, Jalandhar, in which DC won by 4-0 and reached Semi- Finals. Ajeet, Nikunj, Ranveer and Abhinav scored one goal each. In semi final match DC lost against the host team, Pinegrove School. Thus DC could not reach the finals. DC team was pushed to the hard-line match in which DC defeated YPS Mohali by 2-1. The goal scorers were Nikunj and Ishraj. Khush Bhachawat was declared as the Up-coming player of the tournament. It was a memorable learning experience where the young players learnt from their own mistakes and wise decisions. The team is thankful to everyone who contributed to their growth.

Shri Basantilal Sethia Memorial Championship

On September 12, 2010 Shri Basantilal Sethia Memorial Championship was held in Shishukunj School, Indore. Over- 19 schools participated. The swimmers of Daly College, Jr. School showed a great piece of talent. Total medal won by DC team is 39 medals (1 gold, 29 silver and 9 bronze) in all and overall runners up trophy. Medal winners were :

Group III

Khariessa Mehan	7 CIE	1 Silver
Gauri Shahra	6 D	1 Gold, 3 Silver
Zahra Chandurwala	6 C	1 Bronze, 1 Silver
Ananya Singh	6 C	1 Silver
Jhanvi Agarwal	5 C	1 Silver

Group IV

Saanchi Agarwal	5 C	1 Silver, 1 Bronze
Sampada Mishra	5 D	2 Silver
Anshika Singh	4 C	1 Silver
Jhanvi Ratoria	5 D	1 Silver

Group V

Tarini Kohli	2 C	2 Silver, 2 Bronze
Yashvesvi Verma	3 C	3 Silver, 1 Bronze

Group IV

Aadit Parekh	4 D	1 Silver, 3 Bronze
Dinav Anand	4 C	1 Silver
Anurudh Yadav	5 B	1 Silver
Rachit Goyal	4 B	1 Silver

Group V

Zuhair Chandurwala	2 A	5 Silver
Aaryn Anand	3 A	1 Silver, 1 Bronze
Younus Ali	3 B	1 Silver
Krishneshwar Singh	3 B	1 Silver

IPSC WRITTEN QUIZ

Aditya Dixit	IV and V	1
Lakshya Bafna	IV and V	2
Aryan Kanchan	VI	1
Shourya Jain	VI	2
Shivansh C. Bagadiya	VII CIE	1
Anand Nair	VII CIE	2

Hindi Essay Writing Competition

Kashvi Khandelwal	VI A	I
Harshwardhan Kothari	VI E	II
Amol Chitale	VI D	III
Akansha Bihani	VA	I
Aanika Chandok	VB	II
Samiha Dave	VB	III

English Essay Writing Competition

Prakamya Singh	VI B	I
Zara Chandurwala	VI C	II
Ananya Singh	VI C	III
Aatreyi Singh	VI A	III
Mahika Jain	VI E	III

Special mention: Sankalp Thakur VI A

Best Cover Page: Vishnu Reji VI B

Unified Cyber Olympiad

The following students have cleared the 1st level of the UCO -2013 exam which was held in Oct. 2013 .They will now be appearing for the 2nd level which will be held on 01-12-2013. Other details would be informed shortly.

Avneet Kaur Bagga	IIA
Yuvraj Agrawal	IIA
Advaya Goel	IIIA
Abhiraj P Patwa	IVA
Mehak Kulkarni	IVD
Harman Bagga	VB
Ranvir Singh Chhabra	VD

INCREDIBLE INDIA

AMRITA Kaur BHATIA	IB	1
KSHAUNISH SATSANGI	IC	2
ISHAAN SUREKA	IIA	1
SAADGI GARG	IIB	1
DIVYAAGRAWAL	IIA	2
YASHASWINI SINGHARNIYA	IIA	2
DIVAAGRAWAL	IIB	2
PRAGUN GUPTA	IIIA	1
VAISHNAVI RAJESH	IIIB	1
AARYAN GARG	IIIA	2
KUSH VERMA	IIIA	2
ISHITAAGRAWAL	IVD	1
SIYAARORA	IVD	1
SHREYASI CHAUDHARY	IVD	2
AAKASH CHATURVEDI	VA	1
DWANIKAAGRAWAL	VD	1
AANIKA CHANDHOK	VB	2
PRAKAMYA SINGH	VIB	1
ZAHRA CHANDURWALA	VIC	2

Inter House Basketball Boys Level III

House	Played	Won	Lost	Points	Position
Ashok	4	4	-	8	1 st
Rajendra	4	3	1	6	2 nd
Vikram	4	2	2	4	3 rd
Tagore	4	1	3	2	4 th
Jawahar	4	-	4	0	5 th

Inter House Hockey Girls Level III

House	Played	Won	Lost	Draw	Points	Position
Bharati	2	2	-	-	4	1 st
Ahilya	2	-	1	1	1	2 nd
Indira	2	-	1	1	1	2 nd

Inter Class Football- Class IV

The students of Class IV had a couple of good field days when they confronted each other for their Inter –Class Football . The children had a good time with the players playing and the remaining ones cheering up for their respective classes. They are earnestly waiting for the finals to happen soon.

Inter House Hindi Elocution

POSITION	HOUSE	POINTS
1 ST	JAWAHAR HOUSE	104
2 ND	INDIRA HOUSE	98
3 RD	AHILYA HOUSE	96

1 st	Chirag Salwan	Jawahar House
2 nd	Aryan Kanchan	Jawahar House
	Kashvi Khandelwal	Ahilya House
3 rd	Rishika Jain	Indira House
	Sanya Arora	Indira House
	Ajay Singh Verma	Rajendra House

Little Achievers

*Arya Pilani won Gold Medal in Sub-Junior Category Organised by Gagan Narang Sports Promoters foundation at Pune.

* Faizan Khan of Class VI A won a Silver Medal in Open Sight Air Rifle under 14 in IPSC at Mayo College.

* Namdev Singh Chauhan of Class V A won 2 Gold Medals in Air Pistol under 14 category.

* Deeva Bidasaria of class III C was awarded the 6th position in under 14 category in Indore district tournament in chess. She's also won the 5th position in under I category in the MP state chess championship. She participated in the Indore open International Rating tournament where more than 2010 players participated and achieved 2nd position in the under 9 girls category. She participated in the All India FIDE rating chess tournament with almost 250 players and bagged the 3rd Position in the under 9 category. She also participated in the All India State Govt. tournaments where she got selected in the under 14 girls team for Indore city and then got selected in the M.P division under -19 girls team to represent the nationals. We all need to watch out for her. She is a child prodigy in the making.

* The little Gymnasts from the Jr. School put a good show at the Inter School Gymnastics Competition held at Ujjain. The Team won Gold Medal for the team participation and all the individual participants Raina Modi VI A, Srashti Nirala- VI B, Diksha Makwana -VI C and Nikita Songara -VI D won Silver Medals in individual categories.

* The Skating Team of the Jr. School performed well in the Inter School Skating Competition held at L.K. Singhania School, Gotan. They won the following prizes:-

Aaryan Anand - won Gold in U-11 Rink Race
Zuhair Chandurwala - won Silver in U-11 Rink Race
Kushagra Mittal - won Gold in U-11 Road Race
Shivansh Goyal - won Silver U-11 Road Race

STAFF

- **Mr. Narhari Gadgil** completed his M.A in vocal Music in First Class with 77 % marks from Raja Maan Singh Tomar University – Gwalior.
- The DC Resource Centre hosted a Mc Mian Education Workshop Peer Educators. It was attended by 120 students from 20 schools. **Ten of our students & Dr. Rinku Joshi, Veena Ghodgaonkar, Shalini Verma, Nidhi Bhan & Mridulika Agrawal** attended this workshop.
- **Mrs. Veena Ghodgaonkar, Mrs. Kavita Saksena, Mr. Lokendra Dwivedi, Mr. P.K. Pal, Mr. S.K. Kanchan**, attended a workshop conducted by Dr. G.S. Bhalla from Colombia University, New York, U.S.A. It was about how to make maths teaching interesting and less threatening to both to both teacher and taught.

PRE-PRIMARY NEWS

Every year we celebrate India week but this year

we celebrated multicultural fortnight in August as a part of the ISA Award of the British Council. The children of classes PKG, LKG & UKG learnt about different countries, their food, culture, language etc through power point presentations and group discussions in classes. Children were involved in making various art & craft articles and models showcasing specific features of these countries. Fun and knowledge went hand in hand throughout the Fest. Children enjoyed every bit of it immensely as they also got to interact with Mr. Jun Yao from China who told them about Chinese culture and people. Parents were also an integral part of this Fest as most of them enthusiastically volunteered to cook various cuisines for the Multicultural Food Festival held on 8th of September 2013. The Food festival had cuisines of five countries i.e. India, Japan, China, Egypt and Australia. It was a fantastic learning experience for students, s and parents and helped us understand the value of working together for a common goal.

September was devoted to Bird watching and there could be nothing better than stroll around

DC campus that is an abode for the birds. Luckily, quite a few were spotted as if in anticipation to be viewed by the little ones. UKG children also visited the new library and were enthralled to see a huge area full of books. They could not stop themselves from sitting on the colourful couches and wanted to know how fast they can move to the Senior School!

October was celebration time with Dussehra and Diwali round the corner. Dussehra was celebrated with a short Ramleela performed beautifully by the UKG children. It even left the teachers completely awestruck to see how naturally emotive and expressive they were! UKG girls also performed a folk dance for the trainee teachers visiting from Australia and left the audience completely enthralled with their dance moves. With winter peeping around the corner there is more in store for both teachers and children as it will be again celebration time with Christmas and New Year...till then Adios Amigos!!





“संत कबीर ने लिखा है।
“ इस घट अंतर बाग
बगीचे, इसी में
सिरजन हारा, साधौ इसी
में साईं हमारा।”



यदि भगवान कहीं है, तो वह मानव मात्र के शरीर में ही है। समय-समय पर वह अपनी उपस्थिति दर्ज कराता है। जब हम निस्वार्थ भाव से लोगों की मदद करते हैं या अपने से कम भाग्यशाली व्यक्तियों का दर्द समझते हैं एवं उसका निवारण करने की कोशिश करते हैं तब हमें यह प्रेरणा हमारे अंतर में उपस्थित भगवान या गौड या अल्लाह जिस भी नाम से उसे संबोधित करें, से मिलती है। यह कहना उचित नहीं है कि भगवान का अस्तित्व नहीं है। किंतु उसे किसी नाम या आकार में बाँधा नहीं जा सकता। जहाँ तक सामान्य जन का प्रश्न है वह परंपरा का निर्वाह करते हैं। इसी का परिणाम है कि वे मंदिर, मस्जिद, गिरिजाघर आदि जगहों पर प्रार्थना करने जाते हैं एवं कुछ लोग इसका लाभ उठाकर अल्पशिक्षित एवं अनपढ़ लोगों को मूर्ख बनाते हैं। यह सब बंद होना चाहिये।

विनीत वांगे शिक्षक - गणित

क्या ईश्वर है ?

‘ईश्वर’ एक सत्य, एक शक्ति, जिसे कभी हमने धर्म का नाम दिया, कभी पूजा-पाठ का आधार बनाया, कभी अपनी सफलता, असफलता किस्मत, बदकिस्मत का जिम्मेदार भी ठहराया। आज इस ताकत को मनुष्य से जितनी कृतज्ञता, जितना मान मिला, कहीं न कहीं मनुष्य ने उसे अंधविश्वास और पाखंड के चक्रव्यूह का केन्द्र भी बनाया। क्या ईश्वर का अस्तित्व है? लोगों की नज़र में ईश्वर क्या है? इस विषय पर हमने अपने साथियों और शिक्षकों के विचार जाने और इस अंक द्वारा उन विचारों को हम आप तक पहुँचा रहे हैं।

मेरी मान्यता है कि ईश्वर एक शक्ति है जिसे हम परमात्मा, अल्लाह, देवता जैसे अलग-अलग नाम से जानते हैं, महसूस करते हैं लेकिन दुख तब होता है जब हम ईश्वर को संप्रदाय और जातिगत भेद में बाँटने की कोशिश करते हैं, उनके नाम पर आपस में लड़ते हैं और इस शक्ति के नाम पर अलग-अलग संप्रदाय, लोगों में फूट डालने की हिमाकृत करते हैं। इस सृष्टि का निर्माण करने वाली ताकत को हमें अपने कर्मों और व्यवहार से महसूस करना चाहिए न कि उसके नाम पर समाज में अंधविश्वास और बुराईयाँ फैलानी चाहिए।

सौम्या आहूजा XI



मेरे हिसाब से भगवान हर मनुष्य के मन में रहता है। लोग मंदिर-मस्जिद में भगवान को खोजते हैं, वहाँ दर्शन करने जाते हैं, इसमें मेरा यकीन नहीं है।

ईश्वर में मेरी आस्था है। मेरा मानना है कि जब हम कभी अपनी जिंदगी के अहम् फैसले लेने में उलझ जाते हैं, तब ईश्वर ही किसी न किसी माध्यम से हमारी सहायता करते हैं।

जो है हर रूप में धनवान,
जो है हम सब पर मेहरबान,
नाम है उनका, कभी खुदा, कभी भगवान।

अक्षय चावरी XI



भगवान का इस दुनिया में हर जगह अस्तित्व है पर आजकल इन्सान अंधविश्वास के कारण भगवान से डरता है जिससे उस की जिंदगी कई बन्धनों में फँस गई है। वह इस डर से खुद के कर्मों को न अपनाकर, कई ऐसे पाखंडियों की बातें मानते हैं जो ईश्वर के नाम पर ढोंग रचते हैं जिसके कारण ईश्वर जैसी बड़ी शक्ति को चार-दीवारी में बंद कर दिया गया है। यह सवाल कि ईश्वर है या नहीं और अगर है तो कहाँ का उत्तर अगर ईश्वर स्वयं भी दे तो यहीं कहेंगे कि वह तो हर जगह है, मनुष्य को उन्हें सही तरह से ढूँढने, देखने और सोचने की समझ चाहिए। अंत में मैं यही कहूँगा कि निडर रहें और भगवान में विश्वास रखें और डट कर अपने कर्म करें। ईश्वर हर कदम पर आपके साथ खड़ा रहेगा।

वैभव पारिख IX



रिया सिंह, धवल कोठारी, तान्या नीमा, पूर्वा अग्रवाल

‘बदलाव’ हमारे जीवन का हिस्सा है, प्रकृति का भी नियम है और जब यह ‘बदलाव’ खूबसूरत हो, बेहतर हो तो निश्चित ही आकर्षित करता है। न्यूज़ लैटर

का यह अंक भी अपने नये कलेवर के साथ आपके हाथ में है। साथियो हम ने लगातार यह कोशिश की है कि हम इसे ज्यादा रुचिकर, ज्यादा बेहतर बनाएँ जिससे न्यूज़ लैटर से पाठकों का रिश्ता और मज़बूत हो सके, यह ‘न्यूज़ लैटर’ आपकी-पसंद बन सके, इसे पढ़कर आप अपनापन महसूस कर सकें और इसके लिए जितनी ज़रूरी आपकी भागीदारी है, उतनी ही ज़रूरी आपकी प्रतिक्रियाएँ भी। इस नये अंक को पढ़कर आपको कैसा लगा, आप इसमें और क्या पढ़ना, जानना चाहते हैं, इस बारे में हमें ज़रूर बताएँ। इस अंक में हमने सृजन स्तंभ के साथ साक्षात्कार, कविता और परिचर्चा को शामिल किया है। उम्मीद है कड़कती ठंड में गर्म कॉफी के प्याले के साथ यह अंक जब आप पढ़ेंगे तो अपने आपको ज्यादा ऊर्जावान और उत्साह से भरा महसूस करेंगे।

धवल कोठारी XII



मेरे मतानुसार इस धरती पर ईश्वर का वजूद है। जब भी हम कोई मुसीबत या तकलीफ में होते हैं तो सबसे पहले जुबाँ पर ईश्वर का ही नाम आता है। इससे यह पता चलता है कि हर इंसान कहीं न कहीं ईश्वर को मानता है और उस पर भरोसा भी करता है। कलियुग में भी सब लोग यह विश्वास करते हैं कि अंत में अच्छाई और सच्चाई की जीत होती है, वे बुरे कर्म करने से डरते हैं क्योंकि उन्हें कहीं न कहीं ईश्वर के कोप का डर सताता है। मेरा मानना है कि ईश्वर है और वह हमारे मन में ही बसते हैं।

राधिका शाह X



जिन सवालों के जवाब नहीं होते, उन्हें भगवान का नाम दिया जाता है। कई लोगों के लिए भगवान के अलग-अलग रूप होते हैं। खैर, भगवान का होना न होना, यह पता करना एक मामूली बात नहीं है, लेकिन हाँ हर मामूली व्यक्ति में यह काम करने की क्षमता होती है। ध्यान, उपासना करते वक्त जब हम अपने आप को मात्र 5 मिनट भी समर्पित कर देते हैं, तब एक आनंद का अनुभव होता है जो भगवान से मिलन के अनंत सफर की पहली सीढ़ी है और हाँ हमारा शरीर मरता है आत्मा नहीं। भगवान से मिलने का कोई अंतिम बिंदु नहीं है जबकि यह सफर ही हमें दिन पर दिन उनके करीब लाता है। मेरे ख्याल में भगवान को शब्दों में बयान नहीं किया जा सकता यह तो एक आंतरिक, आत्मिक अनुभव है जिससे परिचित होने के लिए संतुष्टि और खुशी का होना बहुत ज़रूरी है।

रुद्रादित्य सिंह XI

भगवान जिन्हें हमने कभी नहीं देखा। मेरा मानना है कि जो सच्चे मन से उन्हें मानता है, वह उन्हें पा लेता है, उसे मन में उनकी ताकत का अनुभव होता है। मैंने कई ऐसी किताबें पढ़ी हैं जो यह विश्वास दिलाती हैं कि अगर यह दुनिया है, उसमें प्यार है, रिश्ते हैं तो इसके पीछे ईश्वर है। मैं भगवान को मानता हूँ पर मुझे पूजा-पाठ धार्मिक कर्म-कांड पर विश्वास नहीं है।



देव सिंघवी VII

मैं वैष्णव संप्रदाय से हूँ और बचपन में भगवान विष्णु की मूर्ति को ही भगवान मानता था लेकिन जब बड़ा हुआ, दार्शनिकों, चिंतकों को पढ़ा तो लगा कि ईश्वर के अस्तित्व को लेकर कोई भी निष्कर्ष निकालना कठिन है। यहाँ तक कि हम बहुत तुच्छ, छोटे प्राणी हैं, उस असीम शक्ति के बारे में कुछ कहने के लिए। इतना अवश्य कहूँगा कि ईश्वर को हम अनुभव कर सकते हैं, शब्दों में बता नहीं सकते और कहीं न कहीं हमारी अच्छाइयाँ, हमारे कर्म ईश्वर की आराधना का ही माध्यम होते हैं। प्रभु एक ऐसे अदृश्य, निराकार, अनाम अनुभव की तरह हैं जो हमें हिम्मत और प्रेरणा देते हैं।

श्री राजेश संथानम शिक्षक-विज्ञान



साक्षात्कार

बॉलीवुड और हम

गत माह डेली कॉलेज में शूटिंग के सिलसिले में बॉलीवुड के कुछ कलाकार आए। मजेदार बात यह रही कि बॉलीवुड की इस फिल्म में डी.सी की छात्रा वसुंधरा सिंह और कृतिका ब्यौहार एंव शिक्षक श्री अंसारी सर एंव मनकोटिया मैडम को भी छोटी-छोटी भूमिकाएँ अदा करने का अवसर मिला। इस खूबसूरत मौके का आनंद न्यूज़ लैटर की टीम ने भी उठाया और फिल्म अभिनेता जैकी भगनानी के साथ लंबी बातचीत की और साथ ही साथ डी.सी के कलाकारों से भी इस नए अनुभव को लेकर बात की जो इस अंक में आपके लिए हम दे रहे हैं।



फिल्म अभिनेता
जैकी भगनानी के
साथ तान्या नीमा

बॉलीवुड

बातचीत

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प्र.१ इंदौर आकर शूटिंग करना कैसा लगा ?

उ.१ जहाँ तक इंदौर शहर को जानने की बात है, मैं यहाँ ज्यादा घूम नहीं सका पर यह ज़रूर कहूँगा कि अपने कार्यक्रमों के सिलसिले में इतनी बार यहाँ आना हुआ है कि मैं इसे अपना दूसरा घर कह सकता हूँ और यहाँ के लोगों से मुझे बहुत प्यार मिला। मुझे यहाँ का खाना भी बहुत पसंद आया।

प्र.२ डेली कॉलेज को लेकर आपका क्या अनुभव है ?

उ.२ यहाँ आकर ऐसा लगा कि काश, मैंने भी यहाँ पढ़ाई की होती और मैं भी ओल्ड डेलियन होता। यहाँ का खुशनुमा माहौल, खूबसूरत वातावरण और लोग सभी कुछ मुझे बहुत अच्छा लगा। विशेष रूप से यहाँ शाम गुज़ारना स्वर्ग में रहने की कल्पना जैसा लगता है और मैं इसके लिए सर हैनरी को धन्यवाद देता हूँ।

प्र.३ आपकी पसंद-नापसंद के बारे में बताएँ ?

उ.३ मुझे एडवेंचर करना पसंद है। लोगों के सामने प्रस्तुति देना भी हमेशा से पसंद है। शायद इसलिए मैं अभिनय के क्षेत्र में हूँ। मुझे नई-नई जगहों को देखना, उनके बारे में जानना और यात्रा करना अच्छा लगता है। जहाँ तक नापसंद की बात है तो मुझे ऐसे लोग जो बेईमान होते हैं और दूसरों की भावनाओं का ख्याल नहीं रखते, सम्मान नहीं करते, पसंद नहीं हैं।

प्र.४ जीवन में किन लोगों से प्रभावित हुए हैं ?

उ.४ मैं अपने पिता से प्रभावित हूँ कलाकारों में मैं ऋतिक रोशन से और माइकल जैकसन से प्रभावित हूँ।

प्र.५ आप अपने खाली समय में क्या करते हैं ?

उ.५ मैं अपने परिवार और दोस्तों के साथ समय बिताता हूँ। अपने बचपन के दोस्त गौतम को इसलिए साथ इंदौर लाया हूँ, उससे बात करना मुझे बहुत पसंद है।

प्र.६ आपको खाने में क्या पसंद है ?

उ.६ मुझे बटर चिकन, मैक्सीकन और थाई फूड बहुत पसंद है।

प्र.७ आपने कब सोचा था कि आप एक कलाकार बनेंगे ?

उ.७ सोलह साल का हुआ तब से ही इसके लिए तैयारी कर रहा था।

प्र.८ आपने कहाँ तक पढ़ाई की है ?

उ.८ मैंने एच.आर. कॉलेज, मुंबई से कॉमर्स विषय में ग्रेजुएशन किया है।

प्र.९ कोई भी फिल्म करते समय आप किस बात पर ध्यान देते हैं ?

उ.९ मेरे लिए फिल्म का रोमांटिक या हॉरर होना मायने नहीं रखता लेकिन कहानी में दम होना चाहिए।

प्र.१० इस फिल्म में आपकी क्या भूमिका है ?

उ.१० यंगिस्तान एक हास्य फिल्म है लेकिन आज की राजनीति और व्यवस्था को लेकर बनी यह फिल्म युवा पीढ़ी को एक बेहतर संदेश देती है। इसमें मेरी युवा नेता की भूमिका है।

श्री अंसारी सर
के साथ



प्र.१ पहली बार किसी फिल्म में काम करने का यह अनुभव कैसा रहा ?

उ.१ अच्छा अनुभव रहा, उत्साह से ज्यादा ज़िम्मेदारी की भावना थी। शूटिंग अच्छी तरह संपन्न करने की ज़िम्मेदारी

भी थी। जो भी १-२ मिनट का सीन था वो कोई अनुभूति नहीं है कि मैं कोई फिल्म कलाकार हूँ। काम था, जो पूरा करना था।

प्र.२ क्या आप आगे फिल्म में काम करना चाहेंगे ?

उ.२ वैसे फिल्मों में जाने का कोई शौक नहीं है पर दूसरों की नकल उतारना मुझे अच्छा लगता है। इस नकल की वजह से अपने विद्यार्थी जीवन में कई बार शिक्षकों से मार भी खा चुका हूँ। अध्यापन मुझे प्रेरित करता है, पढ़ाने में आनंद आता है मुझे, और अगले जन्म में भी मैं एक अध्यापक ही बनना चाहूँगा।

प्र.३ इस तरह कॉलेज कैम्पस में शूटिंग होने के बारे में आप क्या सोचते हैं ?

उ.३ डी.सी कैम्पस भारत में इस समय सुंदर जगहों में से एक है। प्राचार्य श्री से लेकर सभी कर्मचारी काफी सहयोग करते हैं। अब वसु को जैसे एक मौका मिला वो अपने आप में एक प्रेरणास्रोत है। जिंदगी हर कदम पर हमें शिक्षा देती है, मौका देती है, इस शूटिंग ने भी हमें एक प्रकार से कुछ सिखाया ही है।

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प्र.१ आपको पहली बार एक फिल्म में काम करके कैसा महसूस हो रहा है ?

उ.१ यह मेरे लिए एक नया अनुभव था।

कोई बड़ी बात नहीं थी पर मैं बहुत उत्साहित और रोमांचित थी। मुझे इस फिल्म का हिस्सा बनकर बहुत खुशी हुई। खुशी इसलिए भी है कि पूरा कॉलेज इस शूटिंग का हिस्सा बना।

प्र.२ क्या आपका कभी बचपन में ऐसा सपना रहा था कि मैं भी किसी फिल्म में आऊँ ?

उ.२ मैं बचपन से ही स्टेज से जुड़ी हुई हूँ। कभी सोचा नहीं था कि मैं बड़े पर्दे पर भी आऊँगी।

प्र.३ अगर आपको आगे कभी कोई और ऐसा मौका मिले तो आप क्या करेंगी ?

उ.३ अगर मुझे मौका मिला तो मैं ज़रूर करना चाहूँगी। हमेशा से मुझे नया और कुछ अलग अनुभव करना पसंद है।



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के साथ

प्र.१ फिल्म यंगिस्तान में अभिनय का मौका पाकर आपको कैसा लगा ?

उ.१ सबसे पहले तो मैं अपने आप को बहुत भाग्यशाली मानती हूँ, कि मुझे इतनी बड़ी फिल्म में अभिनय करने का मौका मिला, स्कूल में इंटर हाऊस और आई.पी.एस.सी में नाटक प्रतियोगिता में मैं भाग लेती रही हूँ। शुरू से ही मुझे अभिनय में आगे जाने का शौक है इसलिए स्कूल में ही ऐसा अवसर मिलना मेरे लिए सुखद आश्चर्य था।

प्र.२ इस शूटिंग के समय आपने क्या सीखा ?

उ.२ मैंने उन्हें मेहनत करते हुए देखा, मुझे उन्हें देखकर बहुत प्रेरणा मिली। बड़े



सितारों की जिंदगी जितनी आसान दिखती है, उतनी होती नहीं। मुझे सबसे अच्छा वहाँ का खाना लगा, बहुत खाया मैंने। वहाँ मेरी खुद की वैनिटी थी। चाहे जितने भी बड़े पद पर हों सभी मेरा बहुत ध्यान रख रहे थे और इज्जत दे रहे थे। वे सभी बहुत धैर्य पूर्वक और मिलकर काम कर रहे थे।

कृतिका ब्योहार के साथ

प्र. पहली बार अचानक ये मौका पाकर कैसा लगा?

उ. किसी सपने के सच होने जैसा लगा क्योंकि मैं मन ही मन यह सोच रही थी कि मुझे जैकी भगनानी से मिलना है, शूटिंग देखना है, और कुछ देर में ही मुझे साथ में एक छोटा सीन शूट करने का मौका मिला तो बहुत खुशी हुई।



प्र. शूटिंग के अनुभव से क्या सीखा?

उ. बहुत छोटा सा कुछ सेकेंडस का ही दृश्य था लेकिन लगा कि हम जो फिल्म कुछ घंटों में देख लेते हैं, उसके एक-एक दृश्य के लिए कितनी तैयारी और कितने धैर्य की जरूरत पड़ती है।

सृजन स्तंभ रिश्ते

जिंदगी की जटिल राह पर नहीं कोई अकेला,
हर मनुष्य के साथ है, चलता रिश्तों को मेला।
फूल-सी कोमल माँ की माया, महफूज है जिसके आँचल का साया,
रहे साथ दुआएँ जिसकी, बनकर सदैव धूप में छाया।
जिसने हमें नाम दिया, उन्नति का पैगाम दिया,
धन्य हैं वे पिता जिन्होंने, हमारे लिए हर काम किया।
सुबह की सुहानी सैर व रात की अविस्मरणीय कहानियाँ,
दादाजी का आशीर्वाद दूर रखे सब हानियाँ।
खिलाए खट्टा-मीठा अचार और सिखाए जो शिष्टाचार,
दादीजी हैं बड़ी सयानी, पवित्र हैं जिनके विचार।
छोटी-मोटी नॉक-झोंक और खूब सारा प्यार,
दीदी-भैया का हीरे-सा अनमोल दुलार।
रिश्तों की यह डोर होती बड़ी ही अद्भुत,
एक ओर काँच सी नाजुक तो दूसरी ओर लोहे-सी मज़बूत।
है बड़ा ही कठिन, समझ पाना यह रिश्तों की पहेली,
कभी बहन हो जाती प्यारी, तो कभी कोई सहेली।
रिश्ते हैं बड़े अनमोल, इन्हें जान से अधिक सँजोना,
दूर न होना अपनों से कभी, न किसी अपने को खोना।
जीवन को है सरल बनाते, ठोस राह को सरल बनाते,
रिश्ते होते सबसे ऊपर, जो हर मनुष्य को प्रिय बनाते।
बड़ी ही सुंदर होती है यह रिश्तों की बेला,
जिंदगी की जटिल राह पर नहीं कोई अकेला,
हर मनुष्य के साथ है चलता रिश्तों का मेला।

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