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The Academic Year 2025–26 has been a vibrant and fulfilling journey for the Indian Community School, Khaitan Branch. It is with immense pride and gratitude that we reflect on a year marked by academic excellence, co-curricular brilliance, and strong community engagement, all made possible through the collective efforts of our students, teachers, parents, and staff. The school has made us all proud by producing Kuwait topper in Commerce stream and second topper in Humanities stream.

One of the most memorable highlights of the year was the Salaam Kuwait Namaste India (SKNI) Carnival, which beautifully celebrated the spirit of cultural harmony, creativity, and togetherness. The event showcased not only talent and enthusiasm but also the values of unity and respect that our institution stands for.

The year also witnessed several other successful and enriching initiatives. K-Rays, the innovative project exhibition, reflected our students' curiosity, critical thinking, and scientific temper. Khoj — the Art Fest provided a vibrant platform for artistic expression and imagination. Educational tours and picnics offered experiential learning beyond classrooms, fostering bonding and real-world exposure. Throughout the year, the school focused on holistic development by promoting physical well-being, leadership, teamwork, and responsibility through diverse co-curricular and celebratory initiatives. These experiences fostered confidence, discipline, and collaboration, creating a lively and inclusive campus culture. The year also features key milestone events that recognise achievements and transitions, reflecting the school's commitment to guiding students with values of gratitude, perseverance, patriotism, and excellence.

The Board of Trustees sincerely appreciates the dedication, professionalism, and tireless efforts of our Principal, Vice Principals, teaching fraternity, administrative staff, and support teams who continue to uphold the values and vision of ICSK. We extend our heartfelt thanks to parents for their trust, encouragement, and constant support.

To our dear students: remain curious, disciplined, and compassionate. Dream big, work hard, respect your roots, and remember that character and integrity matter as much as success.

We wish the entire ICSK Khaitan family continued growth, happiness, and excellence.

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FROM THE DESK OF PRINCIPAL K. GANGADHAR SHIRSATH



Dear Parents and Students,

As I reflect to write this message for our annual magazine, Archives, I am filled with a deep sense of pride and gratitude. This publication is not merely a collection of words and images; it is a living record of the academic year 2025-2026, reflecting the collective spirit, achievements, and growth of our entire school community. Every expression, every accomplishment, and every captured moment speaks of a journey we have undertaken together.

The year began with the vibrant democratic spirit of student council elections, nurturing leadership, responsibility, and confidence among our students. Events such as the Art Fest transformed creativity into expression, while the K-Rays Exhibition showcased innovation, scientific thinking, and intellectual curiosity. Sports Day celebrated discipline, teamwork, and perseverance, and the cultural carnival Salaam Kuwait, Namaste India beautifully conveyed the values of unity, harmony, and global brotherhood. The Aashirvaad ceremony marked a meaningful transition for our Grade XII students as they stepped forward into new journeys, and Udaan, the UKG Graduation, symbolised the joyful beginning of learning for our youngest learners.

Our academic milestones stand as a testament to vision and consistency. The IGCSE programme, which began with a small group of learners, has grown remarkably, while Universal—ICSK UG programmes of B. Com, B.B.A, B.C.A and B.A Psychology have expanded with strength and success. Our campus has flourished with thousands of students excelling in academics, sports, and inter-school and international platforms. We are proud of our IGCSE results and delighted to witness the graduation of our first A-Level batch this year, marking a significant milestone. Universal—ICSK has also celebrated the graduation of its first batch, and we rejoice in their success.

Our clubs and societies—Techno Club, Space Club, Quiz Club, Debate Club, and others—have played a vital role in nurturing talent, leadership, and innovation. Khaitan Times, our bi-monthly publication, stands as a proud literary voice of the school, reflecting creativity, awareness, and student expression.

Education is the most powerful investment phase of life. Every lesson learned, every challenge faced, and every experience gained during these years builds the foundation for future success. We remain committed to ensuring that this foundation is strong, ethical, and purposeful.

I thank our management for their visionary guidance and trust, and extend my sincere appreciation to the editorial team for beautifully compiling this magazine, to our teachers for their unwavering commitment, and to our parents for their constant support and belief in the institution.

May our students continue to grow as confident, compassionate, and responsible individuals. May they carry the light of knowledge, values, and integrity wherever life leads them.

Keep striving for excellence. The future awaits your leadership.

With Warm Regards,
K. Gangadhar Shirsath
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AN EPISTLE FROM VICE PRINCIPAL SUSHMEETA PRAKASH

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With immense gratitude, we present our treasure trove of 2025–26, thoughtfully Archived. It stands as a testament to the achievements of our young minds—a reflection of their creativity, the aura of their brilliance, a narrative of earnest effort, and a mirror of their resilience in an increasingly AI-driven world.

This edition firmly reflects our commitment to the holistic development of every learner, anchored in the principle that no child is left behind. Guided by purpose and strengthened by collective responsibility, it traces our upward march towards excellence—driven by vision, discipline, and the power of tiny yet consistent efforts that shape lasting impact.

Within these pages lie glimpses of the many activities conducted, the competitions in which our students proudly represented the school among Indian schools across Kuwait, and the milestones achieved collectively. The magazine also celebrates student voice through articles, artwork, paintings, and drawings, alongside insightful contributions from teachers who continue to inspire, guide, and mentor with dedication.

I place on record my sincere appreciation for our students, teachers, and the editorial team, whose commitment and collaborative spirit have brought Archives to life.

As you unfurl these pages, may this magazine evoke pride in our journey so far and inspire us to continue striving for excellence with purpose and perseverance.

Dear Students, seize every opportunity that comes your way—whether in learning, participation, or personal growth—and never take them for granted. Use your time wisely, stay focused, and rise above distractions such as excessive social media engagement.

As we step into unprecedented times shaped by AI, think creatively, adapt confidently, and dare to stand apart. Let curiosity guide you, effort define you, and purpose lead your journey.

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With best wishes,
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In a short span of four years, our students of IGCSE, AS, and A Levels have carved a niche for themselves through outstanding academic accomplishments. The emergence of a Global Topper and Kuwait Toppers, along with the prestigious scholarships earned by our learners, speaks volumes of their dedication, resilience, and intellectual curiosity. These achievements are milestones, marking not just success, but the strength of purpose with which our students walk their path.

Our International Section is a vibrant tapestry of cultures and traditions, where students from diverse nationalities learn and grow together in harmony. Within this multicultural space thrives a disciplined, respectful, and motivated community-young minds prepared not only for examinations, but for life beyond classrooms and borders.

Archives, our annual souvenir, beautifully capture this spirit. I wholeheartedly appreciate the students who have contributed their creativity through artwork, photographs, poems, stories, reflections, and thoughtful write-ups. Their voices, imagination, and perspectives transform these pages into living expressions of curiosity and passion. These contributions remind us that education flourishes when knowledge meets creativity and confidence.

Behind every success story stands a team of dedicated educators. I commend our faculty members for their tireless efforts, guidance, and belief in our students. Their commitment has enabled the International Section to emerge as one of the prominent institutions offering international curricula in Kuwait.

I extend my sincere gratitude to the Management, and our Principal Mr. K. G. Shirsath, for envisioning and nurturing this initiative, and to our parents, whose trust and constant support have strengthened every step of this journey.

As we turn these pages and look towards the future, may we continue to dream boldly, learn deeply, and move forward-always One Step Ahead.

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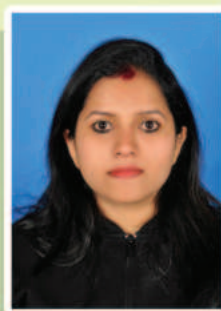
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As I sit down to write this editorial for ARCHIVES, I am compelled to reflect on the significant changes our world has undergone in recent years, particularly with the rise of Artificial Intelligence. While AI has transformed the way we think, create, and communicate, it has also quietly taken a toll on human creativity. We now see ideas generated in seconds, yet the spark of genuine imagination—something raw, human, and imperfect—feels rarer than ever. Still, I believe this is not the end of creativity but the beginning of a new chapter, one where technology and imagination can coexist and inspire each other.

This is my second time serving as the chief editor of our school magazine, and the journey has been nothing short of inspiring. From brainstorming late into the evening to watching our ideas take shape on each page, every moment has reminded me that true creativity does not vanish—it adapts and grows stronger through challenges.

Reflecting on these moments, I must extend my heartfelt gratitude to my co-editor, Ms. Anjali Renjan, whose unwavering support and constant presence have been a steady anchor throughout this journey. Her patience and creative insight breathed life into every page we worked on together. There were moments of exhaustion and uncertainty, yet she stood by me unfalteringly, reminding me of the power of teamwork and shared vision. My sincere thanks also go to our respected Principal, Mr. K. Gangadhar Shirsath, and Vice Principal, Ms. Sushmeeta Prakash, for their continuous encouragement and guidance. Their belief in our abilities created a space where creativity could flourish freely. This spirit of creativity was beautifully brought to life by our talented designer, Mr. Nigesh, whose artistic vision shaped the very look and feel of this magazine, turning each page into a thoughtful work of art.

As I close this chapter of yet another editorial journey, I find myself filled with both gratitude and hope; gratitude for those who nurtured this creation, and hope for the creative minds who will carry the torch forward. So, readers, as you flip through these pages, take a moment to celebrate every word, every illustration, every idea that blossomed from genuine human thought. This magazine is not just a collection of works; it is a reminder that even in an age driven by codes and algorithms, heartfelt creativity still finds its way to shine.

Thank you!

Ms. Joyashree Rajkhowa

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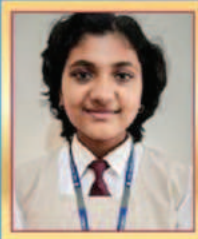


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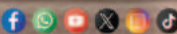
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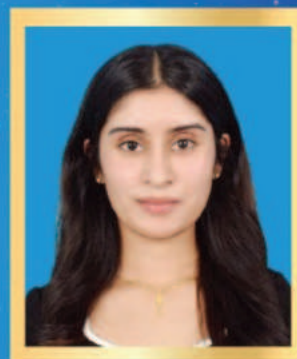
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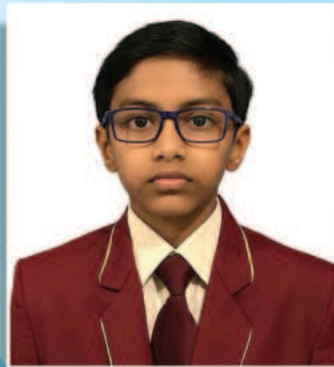
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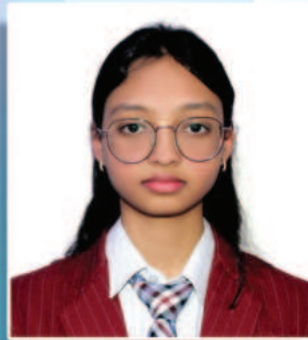
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WELCOMING THE LITTLE STARS: LKG ORIENTATION DAY AT ICSK KHAITAN

“Kindergarten is the first chapter in a child’s book of life-filled with colours, curiosity, and joy.”

With hearts full of warmth and anticipation, ICSK Khaitan joyfully welcomed the proud parents of its newest little learners during the LKG Orientation Programme held on Tuesday, April 8, 2025, in the vibrant setting of the school auditorium. The programme aimed to familiarize parents with the nurturing environment and learning journey their children are about to begin.

The day started with a recitation of the Holy Quran, followed by the lighting of the lamp by the Principal, Mr. K. Gangadhar Shirsath, and the Vice Principal, Ms. Sushmeeta Prakash, spreading the message of knowledge and learning. The Principal spoke to the parents and assured them that their children would be safe, happy, and well cared for at school.

Parents also listened to short and helpful talks about how children learn and grow through play, routines, and positive habits. The kindergarten team explained the activities and teaching methods used to help children learn, share, and become confident.

Thus began a joyful journey of learning and discovery for the little stars of ICSK Khaitan—“Every great journey begins with a small step-and kindergarten is where the magic begins.”



TINY TOTS ON THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

“A heartfelt welcome lays the foundation for a lifelong love of learning.”

On 9 April 2025, The Indian Community School Kuwait, Khaitan warmly welcomed students for the new academic year. Smiling teachers, thoughtfully decorated classrooms, and cheerful activities created a nurturing start, easing first-day jitters, especially for the youngest learners.

Ice-breaking sessions helped students connect and feel at home, setting the tone for a joyful beginning. The day ended with happy faces and new friendships, echoing the belief that “A warm welcome is the first step toward a love for learning.”





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Sunday to Thursday

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A RAINBOW OF SMILES

"Colours are the smiles of nature."

The KG Wing of ICSK Khaitan celebrated Colour Week from 4th to 8th May 2025, filling the campus with joy, vibrancy, and excitement. Each day showcased a new colour theme, with children and staff dressed accordingly, creating a bright and cheerful atmosphere. Our tiny tots looked delightful in their colourful outfits as they proudly displayed them to friends and teachers. The week began with Red, followed by Orange, Green, Blue, Pink, and concluded with Purple, each colour bringing its own meaning and charm. Fun-filled activities linked to each colour kept the children engaged and happy throughout the week. Colour Week truly reflected ICSK Khaitan's commitment to joyful learning and the holistic development of its young learners.



A HEARTFELT TRIBUTE TO MOTHERS

"A mother's love is the first home a child ever knows."

The Kindergarten section of ICSK, Khaitan celebrated Mother's Day on 11th May 2025 with great joy and emotion. The day was dedicated to honouring the powerful bond between a mother and her child. Through melodious rhymes, meaningful video clippings, and beautiful wall decorations, teachers highlighted the importance of a mother's role in a child's life. The tiny tots eagerly took part in creative activities and spoke lovingly about their mothers, expressing their affection in the most innocent and heartfelt ways. The celebration concluded on a happy and touching note, leaving behind cherished memories and smiles that will forever remain in the children's hearts.





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- **Female coach for girls**
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A TRIBUTE TO OUR SUPER DADS

“Behind every happy child is a loving father who believes, supports, and cares.”

Father's Day is a special occasion dedicated to honouring fathers for their endless love, care, and guidance. As the school had already begun its summer vacation by the time Father's Day was observed on 15th June 2025, the celebration was meaningfully conducted as a special activity before the school closed for the summer break. To express their respect and affection, the kindergarten children enthusiastically participated in the celebration by creating colourful greeting cards, extending heartfelt wishes, and sharing their love for their fathers. The day was a meaningful reminder of the important role fathers play in nurturing and shaping their children's lives.



A ZESTY SPLASH OF JOY!

“When life gives you lemons, make lemonade—and share it!”

The Kindergarten Department of ICSK Khaitan celebrated Lemonade Day on 15th May 2025 with great excitement and cheer. The day began with a lively teacher-led demonstration on making fresh lemonade, where the little learners eagerly joined in and enjoyed every step of the process.

Dressed in bright yellow, students and teachers filled the campus with sunshine and smiles. The celebration highlighted the importance of choosing healthy, natural drinks over artificial ones in a fun and engaging way.

Adding sweetness to the day, the children lovingly served lemonade to teachers, administrative members, and support staff, learning the joy of sharing and kindness. The event ended on a refreshing and happy note, leaving behind delightful memories for our young learners.





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NURTURING HEALTHY HABITS: NUTRITION WEEK CELEBRATION

“Good nutrition, strong bodies, happy minds.”

The Kindergarten section celebrated Nutrition Week from 16th to 20th November 2025 with great enthusiasm to create awareness about healthy eating habits. During the week, students participated in simple and engaging activities such as bringing nutritious and healthy foods and taking part in interactive classroom discussions on the importance of eating healthy.



LEARNING IS FUN

“Every day is a new adventure when learning is full of fun!”

At ICSK Khaitan, Kindergarten learning is full of fun, creativity, and discovery. Our little learners explore new ideas through exciting activities that boost confidence, curiosity, and joy.

The UKG students loved the Show and Tell on Natural Habitats, sharing facts about animals with props and pictures, while the LKG children explored Seasons, learning about weather and the clothes we wear in each season.

Through Community Helpers role play, Healthy Habits skits, and a fun school tour, the children learned about people who help us, how to stay healthy, and the places that make school life special. Every activity made learning lively, memorable, and full of smiles!





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SPORTS CLASSES



FOOTBALL

Friday	7:00 am to 8.30 am
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KINDERGARTEN ASSEMBLIES: LEARNING THROUGH FUN

“Curiosity, creativity, and joy make every stage a classroom.”

The Kindergarten students brought joy and learning to the stage with their first assemblies of the year. The UKG children led the assembly on 17 April 2025, celebrating the Summer Season. Dressed in cheerful black and yellow, they shared tips on summer activities, refreshing fruits, and the importance of staying hydrated. The assembly also featured a fun story, an action rhyme, and an educational video, making learning about summer lively and memorable. Later, on 23 November 2025, the LKG students presented their first assembly on ‘Our Animal Friends’, highlighting the importance of animals in our environment. The children confidently shared facts about domestic and wild animals, performed a delightful animal dance, and learned valuable lessons about kindness and care for all living beings.

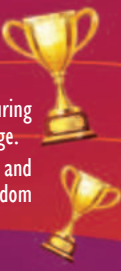


KHOJ 2025: UNLOCKING CURIOSITY AND CREATIVITY

“Imagination and creativity help young minds colour the world with their dreams.”

At ICSK Khaitan, learning is viewed as a joyful journey that extends far beyond textbooks and the confines of the classroom. This philosophy came alive during Arts Fest KHOJ, a vibrant celebration designed especially for the Kindergarten section, where creativity, imagination, and self-expression took centre stage.

The young learners enthusiastically participated in a variety of age-appropriate art activities that encouraged them to explore colours, shapes, music, and movement. Each activity was thoughtfully planned to nurture fine motor skills, boost confidence, and spark curiosity, while allowing children the freedom to express their unique ideas.





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A DAY OF GIGGLES AND ADVENTURE: KINDERGARTEN PICNIC FUN

“The best memories of childhood are made when learning takes a playful turn.”

The Kindergarten Picnic was held on 8th and 9th December 2025 at Dabdoob World, Salmiya. The outing was filled with fun and excitement as children enjoyed activities like trampolines, ball pits, and the merry-go-round with their friends. Teachers ensured the safety of the children while allowing them to freely explore and enjoy the day. The picnic came to an end, leaving behind echoes of laughter and little hearts carrying memories they will cherish forever.



CELEBRATING THE JOY OF CHILDHOOD

“Childhood is a journey, full of wonder, laughter, and dreams.”

The Kindergarten section celebrated Children's Day on 14th November 2025 with joy and excitement. The day was filled with laughter as teachers entertained the little learners with lively songs, dances, and a fun fashion show. The children, dressed in colourful clothes, participated enthusiastically in games and activities, making the celebration even more special. Sweet treats and cheerful moments added to the happiness, creating memories to cherish.





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Horse Riding Course

Classes On Saturdays
7:00 AM to 9:00 AM



Course Fee: 120 KD (non-refundable)
(Includes coaching and transport from school)

- First installment - 70 KD Due by 20th February 2026
- Second installment - 50 KD Due by 13th March 2026

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KINDERGARTEN SPORTS DAY

“Play, laugh, and run Let the childhood shine the brightest.”

Sports Day at ICSK Khaitan was a lively and joyful event that highlighted the importance of physical activity and teamwork among the Kindergarten students. The young participants enthusiastically took part in a variety of fun races and simple athletic activities, displaying energy, coordination, and sportsmanship. The vibrant atmosphere, filled with cheers and encouragement, boosted the children's confidence and enthusiasm. The event successfully promoted healthy habits while providing the students with a memorable experience of learning through play and participation.



UDAAN 2026 – LITTLE WINGS READY TO FLY

“The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams.”

With hearts full of joy and eyes sparkling with hope, ICSK Khaitan celebrated 'Udaan 2026', the Kindergarten Graduation Ceremony, on 12th February 2026. The event marked the proud transition of UKG students to Grade I and was graced by Dr. Neetu Mariam Chacko, who encouraged children and parents to nurture a “Sound Mind in a Sound Body.”

The young learners delighted the audience with their vibrant performances. A proud highlight of the day was the presentation of the “Rising Star” and Sports Awards, followed by the graduation ceremony where the little achievers received their certificates amidst warm applause. As tiny hands held their certificates high, it was clear—these little wings are ready to soar.





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Age - 3 to 8 years.

Days - Sunday, Tuesday & Thursday

Timing - 5 : 00 pm to 6 : 30 pm

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LITTLE STARS, BIG SPARKS!

"Tiny talents today, shining stars tomorrow!"

The Rising Star Competitions at the Kindergarten Wing of ICSK Khaitan is a joyful celebration of young talent, where children shine through learning, creativity, and confident performances. With cheerful participation and wonderful parental support, the event helps uncover hidden abilities while building confidence and a healthy spirit of competition in our little learners.



KOOL KHAITAN 2025: A SUMMER TO REMEMBER

"Turning holidays into happy memories and meaningful experiences."

Like every year, with the aim of providing students a joyful and enriching holiday experience, The Indian Community School, Kuwait, Khaitan organized the Summer Camp activity classes on the school campus from 9th June to 10th July 2025. The month-long camp offered a vibrant range of activities such as Cooking without Fire, Jewellery Making, Basic Sewing and Embroidery Skills, Games, Dance and Music, Art and Craft, and Clay Modelling. Students were divided into Junior and Senior categories and participated with great enthusiasm, making the summer camp a lively, engaging, and successful experience.





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Age - 5 to 12 years

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY

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a female
coach



For registration please contact

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ICSK KHAITAN INVESTITURE 2025-26: WHERE LEADERS TAKE FLIGHT

"The future belongs to those who believe in the power of their vision."

Under a sky of promise and responsibility, the ICSK Khaitan Investiture Ceremony was held on 8 May 2025, marking the formal induction of the newly elected Student Senate for the academic year 2025-26. A truly momentous occasion, the ceremony celebrated leadership, dedication, and the spirit of service.

The event was graced by the Chief Guest, Dr. Anis Ahmad, Principal of SIMS, Kuwait, who inspired the young leaders with his words on vision, responsibility, and teamwork. The students pledged to uphold the values of integrity, collaboration, and excellence as they embarked on their journey of leadership.



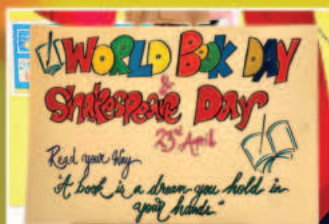
WORLD BOOK DAY CELEBRATION

"A book is a dream that you hold in your hands."

The school joyfully celebrated World Book Day inspiring a love for reading through engaging activities such as storytelling sessions, book exhibitions, and creative poster presentations. Students enthusiastically explored the magical world of books, which nurtured imagination, creativity, and a lifelong passion for literature. The celebration also provided a platform for students to showcase their literary talents and appreciation for reading. Young authors and outstanding readers were felicitated in recognition of their achievements, making the occasion both memorable and meaningful for the entire school community.



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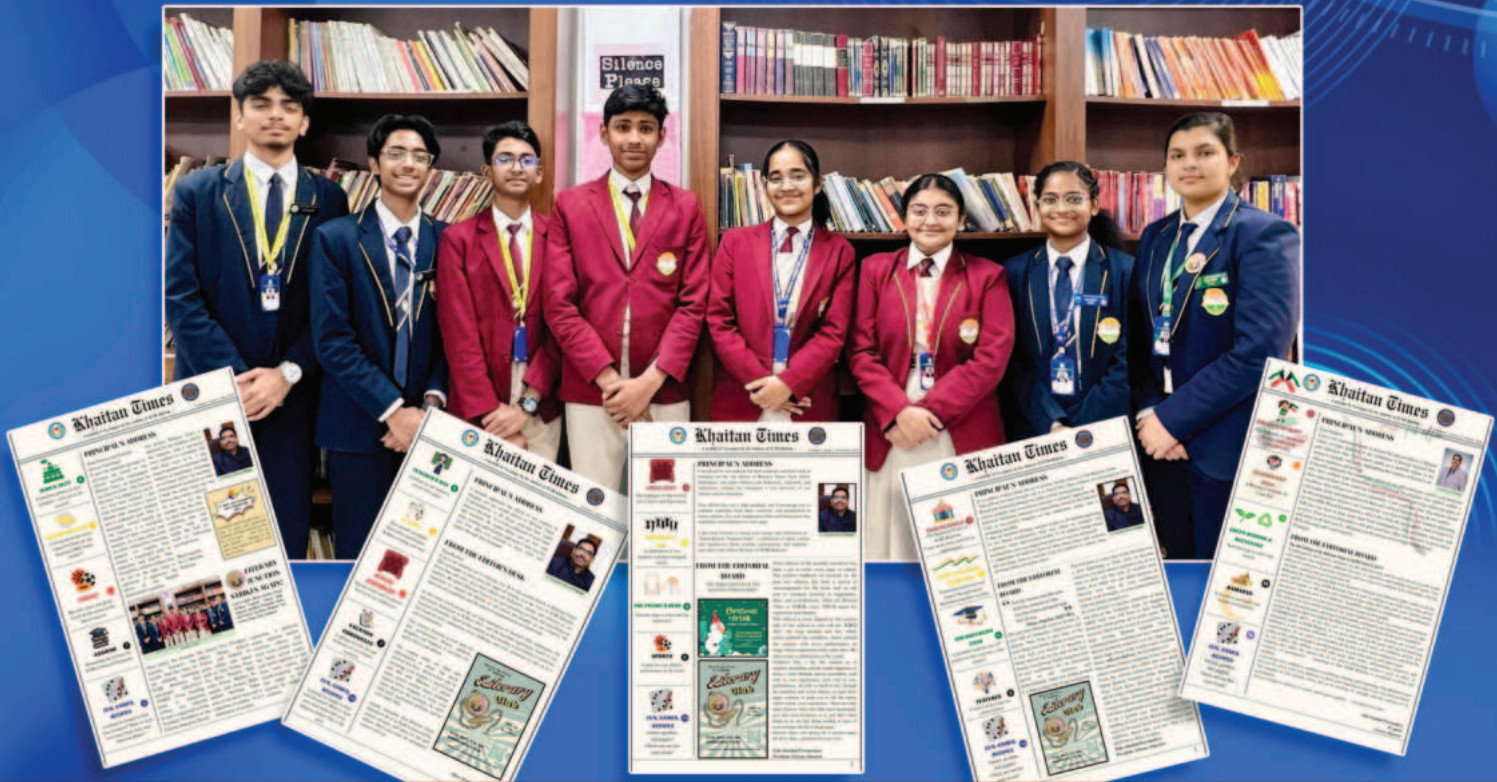


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KHAITAN TIMES – SCHOOL E-NEWSPAPER

“Ideas are the beginning points of all fortunes.”

Khaitan Times, the bi-monthly e-newspaper of ICSK Khaitan, has been launched by the English Literary Club, The Literary Junction. Five issues have already been released, each prepared entirely by students. The publication highlights creativity, maturity, and constructive use of technology. The initiative reflects the school's commitment to holistic education, with guidance provided by the English Department.



ICMUN – DIPLOMACY IN ACTION

“Young minds who debate today become the leaders of tomorrow.”

ICSK Khaitan proudly hosted its very first inter-house Model United Nations (ICMUN), a two-day event on May 9 and 10 that brought the essence of global diplomacy to life. The students actively participated in peace talks, debated military interventions, and drafted resolutions, showcasing remarkable diplomatic skills.

More than just a school event, ICMUN offered an immersive experience that transformed students into thoughtful global citizens. ICMUN was a shining example of ICSK Khaitan's commitment to nurturing confident, informed, and globally aware young minds.





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Sunday to Thursday

Evening 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Coach : **Mr. Sadeesh** ☎ 90976963

A TRIBUTE TO OUR GUIDING LIGHTS

"A teacher takes a hand, opens a mind, and touches a heart."

On 5th September 2025, Teacher's Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm and gratitude in our school. The programme began with a special assembly where students expressed their love and respect for their teachers through speeches, skits, and songs. On this special occasion, Self-Governance Day was also observed. The School Senate and senior students took up the roles of teachers and school leaders, experiencing firsthand the responsibilities of guiding and managing a school. This activity helped them develop leadership qualities, confidence, teamwork, and a deeper appreciation for the efforts of their teachers.



K-RAYS 2025

"Today's experiments are tomorrow's discoveries."

The Indian Community School Kuwait, Khaitan, once again proved its commitment to nurturing innovation and creativity by hosting the annual science and arts exhibition, K-Rays 2025, on Thursday, 11th September at the school premises. Guided by the vision "Preparing for a smarter tomorrow," the exhibition highlighted the remarkable potential of students from Grades 3 to 12.

The exhibition showcased a diverse array of projects across various subjects like arts, environmental science, physics, chemistry, biology, social studies, commerce, computer science, information and technology, multimedia, artificial intelligence, Islamic studies, as well as languages including Hindi, English, and French. A common thread running through many of the projects was the intelligent integration of technology and AI, reflecting the students' forward-looking approach to problem-solving.





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GROWING GREENS WITH FUN

“Eat your greens, plant your dreams!”

At ICSK Khaitan, our Green School Initiative is all about eco-friendly fun and making smart choices for the planet. Under Mrs. Anjana Dhinoji's amazing guidance, students rolled up their sleeves to plant saplings of tomatoes, chillies, spinach, lettuce, and coriander in our school gardens. What a thrill to nurture plants and discover our role in caring for the earth!

Once the plants matured, students harvested the fresh greens and organised lively stalls to sell them—seamlessly combining lessons in healthy eating with the excitement of commerce. Through it all, they discovered the true value of sustainability, paving the way for a brighter, greener future.



SPECIAL ASSEMBLIES: MOMENTS THAT INSPIRE

“Great things happen when learning goes beyond the classroom.”

At ICSK Khaitan, special assemblies are more than just gatherings; they are moments of inspiration, learning, and celebration. From commemorating national days and cultural festivals to showcasing student talents and achievements, these assemblies bring the school community together.

From expressive performances to thoughtful speeches, these assemblies nurture confidence, creativity, and a sense of responsibility among the students. These moments stay with us, echoing lessons of courage, creativity, and togetherness long after the day is done.





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EDUVOYAGE 2025: A JOURNEY THROUGH ITALY

“Travel is the only thing you buy that makes you richer.”

Like every year, the EduVoyage programme of ICSK, Khaitan offered students a journey beyond textbooks — and this year, that journey led them to the timeless land of Italy, where history, art, and culture breathe through every street.

The Italian chapter began in Rome, a city that tells stories through stone and time. The magic of the Trevi Fountain, the charm of the Spanish Steps, the grandeur of the Victor Emmanuel II Monument, and the mighty Colosseum made the past come alive for the students.

From Rome, the journey continued to the serene and spiritual Vatican City, followed by the artistic elegance of Florence. A much-awaited stop at the iconic Leaning Tower of Pisa added excitement and wonder to the adventure.

Nature then unfolded its beauty at the breathtaking Lake Como, offering moments of calm and reflection. The journey concluded in the vibrant city of Milan, where culture, creativity, and modern life blended seamlessly.

As always, EduVoyage proved to be more than a trip — it was a classroom without walls, leaving our students enriched with memories, learning, and a deeper appreciation of the world beyond.



ANNUAL PICNIC 2025-2026: DAYS OF JOY AND TOGETHERNESS

“Together we explored, together we laughed, and together we created moments to cherish.”

The much-awaited Annual Picnic of our school was celebrated with great enthusiasm from November to January. Spread across different dates for various classes, the picnic season brought excitement, laughter, and unforgettable memories for students and teachers alike. It was a refreshing break from the regular classroom routine and a wonderful opportunity for bonding and recreation.

Students visited popular destinations such as Kuwait Magic Park, Dabdoob World, and Hawalli Park. From thrilling rides and fun-filled games to shared meals and cheerful group activities, every outing was packed with joy and excitement. The sound of laughter echoed through the parks as students strengthened friendships and created beautiful memories together.





The Indian Community School Kuwait, Khaitan

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STRIDE FOR GLORY: 47TH ANNUAL SPORTS MEET

"The harder the battle, the sweeter the victory."

The 47th Annual Sports Meet of The Indian Community School, Kuwait (ICSK) was held at the Khaitan branch on 27th October 2025, bringing together young athletes from all ICSK branches in a spirited celebration of energy, teamwork, and determination. The grounds buzzed with excitement as students from Classes 4, 5, and 6 competed in a variety of track and field events, showcasing their talent and sportsmanship. Cheers and applause rang out as winners proudly received their medals and certificates. The day ended on a heartwarming note, with laughter, smiles, and memories that will continue to sparkle like medals in the hearts of young champions—an inspiring reminder that every finish line is just the beginning of a new dream at ICSK.



KHOJ 2025: A CELEBRATION OF CREATIVITY

"Art speaks where words are unable to explain."

KHOJ 2025, the Arts Fest of ICSK Khaitan, concluded with a grand award ceremony that honoured the talent and creativity of its students. Vibrant performances, soulful music, energetic dances, and innovative presentations filled the evening with colour and enthusiasm.

Each moment reflected confidence, imagination, and cultural pride. As the curtains fell, KHOJ 2025 left behind a lasting glow—of dreams discovered, talents celebrated, and creativity set free.





The Indian Community School Kuwait, Khaitan

Badminton classes



Class	Timings	Monthly Fee
1 to 4	Saturday to Thursday 3:00 PM to 4:30 PM	3 Classes per week – 10 KD 6 Classes per week – 20 KD
5 & Above	Saturday to Thursday 4:30 PM to 6:00 PM	3 Classes per week – 15 KD 6 Classes per week – 25 KD

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Mr. Sadeesh



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Parents can also join

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SALAAM KUWAIT NAMASTE INDIA – SEASON 6

“Culture unites where words sometimes fall short.”

With colours, music, and joyous cheer, Salaam Kuwait Namaste India (SKNI) Season 6 lit up ICSK, Khaitan on 19 December 2025, bringing together students, parents, educators, and the Indian community to celebrate unity and shared traditions.

The event was graced by Mr. Baija Nath Prasad, Second Secretary (Education and Culture), Embassy of India in Kuwait, as the Chief Guest, and Mr. Dhanpal Ganesh Panchal, COO of Steel Design Ironwork Centre Kuwait, as the Guest of Honour, along with members of the Honorary Board of Trustees and the leadership of ICSK. The programme was formally inaugurated with the planting of a sapling, symbolising growth and new beginnings. Felicitations of distinguished artists and heartfelt appreciation of event sponsors added grace to the occasion.

The second half featured lively performances, interactive activities, and crowd favourites such as JATARA, Voice of Kuwait Finals, and a high-energy music show. A special highlight of the evening was the release of the cover page of the school's annual magazine, ARCHIVES.

The event concluded on a highly successful note, with celebrations that beautifully echoed the spirit of our shared cultural harmony.



CHILDREN'S DAY CELEBRATION: A DAY OF JOY AND LAUGHTER

"Every child is a rainbow of joy and wonder."

This year's Children's Day at ICSK Khaitan was a delightful experience for all students, featuring class parties, games, photobooths, and engaging activities. Teachers conducted fun-filled assemblies and special programmes, making the day truly memorable and leaving students on cloud nine.



ZARA YAAD KARO QURBANI: HONOURING THE HEROES OF THE NATION

"Patriotism is not just words, but the music of the heart that remembers the brave."

In a heartfelt tribute to the nation, ICSK Khaitan hosted Zara Yaad Karo Qurbani, an interschool patriotic song competition, on 29 January 2026, commemorating Martyrs' Day and celebrating courage, sacrifice, and national pride.

The auditorium came alive with heartfelt performances as ten Indian schools from Kuwait paid tribute to national heroes like Mahatma Gandhi, Bhagat Singh, Rani Lakshmbai, and Subhas Chandra Bose. ICSK Khaitan set an inspiring tone with their special patriotic rendition, showcasing unity and sportsmanship.

The distinguished judges—Ms. Pavithra Somasekhar, Ms. Sonali Biswas, Ms. Prerna Shirsath, and Ms. Jeni—praised the participants' musical talent and patriotic zeal. Carmel School claimed first place, followed by Delhi Public School. The event beautifully reminded all that true bravery and sacrifice endure through remembrance.



SHUBHECHHA 2026: GRADE 10 BLESSING CEREMONY

“May your hard work shine brightly, your confidence remain strong, and your journey ahead be filled with success and new beginnings.”

Amid gentle prayers and heartfelt hopes, the Grade 10 Blessing Ceremony, SHUBHECHHA 2026, unfolded as a beautiful milestone in the journey of our students, guiding them with blessings and encouragement as they prepared for their board examinations. Held on 22nd January 2026, the ceremony was filled with prayers, encouragement, and heartfelt wishes for success.

The occasion also celebrated achievement, as participants of the CBSE Athletic Meet were honoured for their accomplishments.

With blessings resting softly upon them and the unwavering support of their mentors behind them, the students stepped forward not just towards examinations, but also towards their dreams.



ICSK BOOK OF RECORDS 2025

“Behind every record lies a journey of patience, passion, and persistence.”

The Indian Community School Kuwait, Khaitan, proudly launched the ICSK Book of Records 2025, a novel initiative that celebrates exceptional talent, determination and out of the box thinking among its students. These remarkable achievements reflect the institution's strong commitment to nurturing excellence beyond the classroom.

Lohit Sai Kaushik of Class IX C stunned everyone by solving the Rubik's Cube single handedly in an astounding 1.03 minutes. Nathanael Xavier of Class VIII F showcased his sharp strategic skills by defeating three players simultaneously in a game of chess. Triloknath Ratheesh of Class VI G amazed the audience by portraying 20 national flags using the Rubik's Cube in just 2.45 minutes. Steniya Mary Saju of Class XII C impressed all by playing songs in three different languages Punjabi, Hindi, and Urdu on the guitar within 7.9 minutes.



BOOK OF RECORDS



The Indian Community School Kuwait, Khaitan



Art Classes @ ICSK Khaitan

- Freehand Drawing
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AASHIRVAAD 2026 AT ICSK KHAITAN

"Honouring Journeys, Celebrating Futures"

The Indian Community School Kuwait, Khaitan, proudly hosted AASHIRVAAD 2026, the Blessing Ceremony for the outgoing Class XII batch, on Thursday, 5 February 2026. The programme celebrated the achievements, growth, and journeys of the students, providing a platform to honour their efforts and inspire them for the future.

The event was graced by the eminent Chief Guests, Mr. D.K. Sharma, Chairman, Indian Learners Own Academy, Kuwait, and Mrs. Asha Sharma, Founder Principal, Indian Learners Own Academy, Kuwait. The presence of distinguished dignitaries elevated the significance of the occasion. Among the honoured guests were the members of the Board of Trustees, The Indian Community School Kuwait: Mr. Shaik Abdul Rahiman, Honorary Chairman, ICSK; Mr. Vinukumar Nair, Honorary Vice Chairman; and Mr. Azharuddin Amer Mohammed, Honorary Secretary, along with principals, vice principals, and deputy vice principals of the various schools of ICSK. The presence of parents, Grade XII students, and teachers of ICSK Khaitan made the programme vibrant and memorable.



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3	TANISH	10 C (U17)	FOOTBALL RUNNERS-UP
4	AROUSHA ABDULLAH	6 E (U19)	ATHLETICS 4 x 400Mts Relay - SILVER
5	HAMDAAN	11 A (U17)	FOOTBALL WINNERS
6	SHAYAAN	10 A (U17)	FOOTBALL RUNNERS-UP
7	FILZA RIYAS HASSAN	7 A (U19)	FOOTBALL WINNERS
8	MOHAMED ALHAN	11 D (U17)	FOOTBALL RUNNERS-UP
9	ADEENA KASID DALVI	7 E (U14)	ATHLETICS 4 X 100Mts Relay - SILVER
10	HRISHIKESH	11 A (U17)	ATHLETICS 4 X 100Mts Relay - SILVER
11	ACHSAH NEVIL MATHEW	8 A (U14)	ATHLETICS 4 X 100Mts Relay - SILVER
12	ABDUL FAHAD SHABBIR	12 D (U19)	ATHLETICS 5000Mts - GOLD 4 X 100Mts Relay - GOLD 4 X 400Mts Relay - SILVER
13	ANUGRAHA SUSAN VARGHESE	12 B (U19)	ATHLETICS 100Mts - GOLD 200Mts - GOLD 4 X 100Mts Relay - BRONZE 4 X 400Mts Relay - SILVER
14	HAMIDALLA (TC)	8 (U14)	ATHLETICS 800Mts - BRONZE
15	ZASHA	7 C (U19)	ATHLETICS 3000Mts - GOLD 1500Mts - SILVER 4 X 400Mts Relay - SILVER
16	AYESHA SHABEER	10 C (U17)	ATHLETICS 4 X 100Mts Relay - BRONZE 4 X 400Mts Relay - SILVER VOLLEYBALL RUNNERS
17	RIDA WARS	10 A (U17)	ATHLETICS HIGH JUMP — SILVER VOLLEYBALL RUNNERS
18	RIDHI BALI	10 D (U17)	VOLLEYBALL RUNNERS
19	HAYA AFTAB	10 C (U17)	VOLLEYBALL RUNNERS
20	ABEER AVESH	10 B (U17)	VOLLEYBALL RUNNERS
21	ABEER AVESH	10 C (U17)	VOLLEYBALL RUNNERS FOOTBALL WINNERS BASKETBALL RUNNERS
22	ANGELA RAO	12 D (U19)	VOLLEYBALL WINNERS
23	TESIA	12 C (U19)	VOLLEYBALL WINNERS
24	DEEPTHI KIERA	12 B (U19)	TENNIS RUNNERS
25	ELZA JOSEPH	12 B (U19)	TENNIS RUNNERS
26	HAJJIRA KADRI	11 C (U19)	TENNIS RUNNERS
27	LAMIS AKTAR	11 C (U19)	TENNIS RUNNERS
28	BHANU PRAKASH	12 C (U19)	VOLLEYBALL WINNERS
29	MOHAMMED AAZAM	12 C (U19)	VOLLEYBALL WINNERS
30	AYAN TALAT	12 D (U19)	VOLLEYBALL WINNERS
31	THINESH	12 D (U19)	VOLLEYBALL WINNERS
32	AHMED DIYAN	12 D (U19)	VOLLEYBALL WINNERS
33	MOHAMMAD RAIHAN	10 A (U19)	VOLLEYBALL WINNERS
34	DANIEL DARISH	7 F (U14)	BADMINTON RUNNERS
35	DIVINE SANTOSH	5 B (U14)	BADMINTON RUNNERS
36	CHRISTY MARIA ANIL	6 D (U14)	BADMINTON RUNNERS
37	YOGINI KANDU SIRSATH	6 B (U14)	BADMINTON RUNNERS
38	HAYA CHOWDARY	10 A (U19)	ATHLETICS 4X400Mts
39	NATHANIEL	8 F (U14)	CHESS RUNNERS
40	VENNELA	9 A (U17)	CHESS WINNERS
41	JASRIYA	9 C (U17)	CHESS WINNERS
42	HAVISH	9 C (U17)	SWIMMING WINNERS



“Success is the sum of small efforts, repeated day in and day out.”



ANUGRAHA SUSAN VARGHESE
INDIVIDUAL CHAMPION

100Mts — GOLD 200Mts — GOLD
4 X 100Mts Relay - BRONZE 4 X 400Mts Relay - SILVER



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Class - 3G

Kuwait Sports Day-5 km Marathon-Completed in 33 mins



ACHIEVEMENTS IN INTER SCHOOL COMPETITIONS

"Triumph belongs to those who never give up."



HALIMA HUSSAIN

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Aditya Sunil (Class 12A) secured 2nd place in Microsoft Word
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David Samuel (Class 11A) secured 3rd place in Microsoft PowerPoint
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Arya Saji (Class 12A) secured 8th place in Microsoft Excel

Mentors: Ms. Shafqat Hussain, Ms. Shaistha Naaz

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The school with the maximum number of participants



NIRAM 2025 - CONSOLATION PRIZE WINNERS

"Victory is the result of preparation, hard work, and learning from experience."



RIDWAN JAFFER: 1ST PRIZE, VOICE FROM A TIME CAPSULE (INKSPIRE, GIS)



AHSAN MUHAMMED YOUNIS KUNJU - ORIGAMI 1ST PRIZE (XPRESSIONS 2025, IEAS, KUWAIT)



HELAN TREESA BIJO
1ST PRIZE, RHYTHMIC RESONANCE
(RECITATION COMPETITION, ICSK JUNIOR)



DAVID MATHEW SAMUEL, DEBATE RUNNER UP
(BATTLE WITH WORDS, IISM)



MARIYAM SAJJAD: 2ND POSITION, IIK SPIN A YARN



RIDWAN JAFFER: 3RD POSITION, IIK SPIN A YARN



FIDA ANUSHAD: HORIZON ACADEMIC
ESSAY EXCELLENCE AWARD



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"Achievement grows where effort and enthusiasm meet."



TRANSFORMING SCRAPS INTO STORIES OF SUSTAINABILITY CATEGORY 1: FIRST & SECOND POSITION, CATEGORY 2: SECOND & THIRD POSITION



TREASURE OF ARABIC LANGUAGE, GIS: 2ND PRIZE



KIG INTERSCHOOL ARABIC COMPETITION: SECOND POSITION



MUHAMMAD FALAH FHYROSE: GOLD MEDAL WITH CERTIFICATE, 3RD JKS KUWAIT WINTER ANNUAL CHAMPIONSHIP



KUNAL BHANWALA:
Most viral video on social media
IBA 10TH BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT



ZASHA: 1ST PRIZE LULU DRAWING CONTEST

"Winners shine through focus, practice, and teamwork."



AHSAN MUHAMMED, ESHAL MANHA 1ST PRIZE, SMARTICUS (ICSK JUNIOR)



AYMAN MUHAMMED, UMAR SAAD 1ST PRIZE, EDURA 25



NABEEL AHMAD, JANANI DINESH, ALLEN WOOD 2ND RUNNER UP, KNOW YOUR INDIA QUIZ (INDIAN EMBASSY)



AHSAN MUHAMMED, IBRAHIM 2ND RUNNER UP Pearl Jubilee Inter school Quiz competition



Hindi Diwas (ICSK Senior, Salmiya) Competition Winners



Embassy of India, Debate Competition 2nd Prize



Aarzu Danish Nadkar, Vishwa Hindi Diwas (Embassy of India), Hindi Recitation 2nd Prize



Yusra Sajid Lokhande, Hindi Storytelling Competition, 3rd Prize (Bhavans, Kuwait)



Halima Hussain, Maurya Kala Quiz, 2nd Prize



FAIPS Hindi Quiz 2nd Prize

CELEBRATION OF EXCELLENCE – ICSK IGCSE ACHIEVEMENT

“Lead us from Darkness to Light.”



IGCSE wing honoured the remarkable success of enrolling 100 students. Since the establishment of the IGCSE department at the Khaitan branch in 2022, the school has witnessed a meteoric rise in academic standards. The event celebrated a milestone of 100 students, with a significant number of students securing distinctions and A/A* grades across diverse subjects. This “Triumph of 100” signifies not just numerical success, but the dedication of students and the expert guidance of the faculty. The ceremony was graced by school officials and staff members, marking a new chapter in the school's legacy of academic brilliance.



THE SENATE LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE

“Representing the Heart of Our School.”

This committee serves as the dedicated bridge between the student body and the administration. Composed of elected representatives, our mission is to advocate for student interests, manage campus resources responsibly, and ensure that every voice is heard in the decision-making process. We are committed to transparency, integrity, and the continuous improvement of our academic community.





BENEDICTION CEREMONY 2025 - HONOURING OUR GRADUATES

“Success is not a destination, but a journey of continuous growth.”

The Indian Community School Kuwait, Khaitan organized a solemn Benediction Ceremony for its IGCSE students on Thursday, 10th April 2025. A significant highlight was the Certificate Issuance for AS Level and IG-2 students, marking their academic transition. The Chief Guest delivered an inspiring keynote address, encouraging students to face the future with courage. The program featured vibrant cultural performances, including a “Special Dance” and “Top to Toe Time,” concluding with a group photo and a heartfelt vote of thanks.



A BLOOMING START: IGCSE ORIENTATION DAY

“The beautiful thing about learning is nobody can take it away from you.”

The IGCSE Department at ICSK Khaitan commenced the new academic session with a heartwarming gesture, welcoming its cohort of students with fresh roses on their Orientation Day. This symbolic reception aimed to ease the transition into the rigorous IGCSE curriculum, replacing first-day anxieties with a sense of belonging and warmth. As faculty members handed out the blooms, the atmosphere transformed into one of mutual respect and fresh beginnings. The day served as a vital introduction to the department’s values, emphasizing that while the academic path ahead is demanding, it is also a journey of personal growth and beauty.





THE PULSE OF LEARNING: IGCSE THEME-BASED ASSEMBLIES

“Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire.”

Our morning assemblies recently served as a canvas for IGCSE students to display their awareness of the world around them. The stage came alive with ‘Digital Dilemma’ debates regarding AI, deep dives into the psychology of learners, and vibrant celebrations of global cultures. By stepping beyond the syllabus, our students turned these thematic presentations into a masterclass in creative expression and modern advocacy. Through thought-provoking skits, dance performances, and multimedia presentations, students demonstrated remarkable leadership and public speaking skills. These “glimpses” reflect more than just talent; they highlight our commitment to developing well-rounded global citizens. The energy and research invested in each theme served as a powerful reminder that learning is most impactful when it is shared and celebrated together.



ELEVATING HORIZONS: THE “MEET THE PROFESSIONALS” SESSIONS

“Success is a science; if you have the conditions, you get the result.”

Our recent “Meet the Professionals” sessions provided students with invaluable industry exposure through three diverse lenses. Mythili Rajamannar opened the series with a deep dive into Data Sciences, illustrating how data drives modern decision-making at NBK.

Shifting from technical to personal growth, Life Coach Raymond Pereira delivered an impactful session on Leadership Skills, empowering attendees to lead with empathy and purpose. Finally, Captain Neeraj Rajagopalan took us to the skies, sharing his journey in Aviation and proving that with passion, the sky is truly just the beginning.





UNITY IN VARIETY: A CELEBRATION OF GLOBAL HERITAGE

“Our diversity is our strength; our unity is our power.”

ICSK recently celebrated Cultural Day, a vibrant initiative promoting global awareness and harmony. The event featured an insightful assembly where students presented the rich backgrounds and lifestyles of diverse civilizations. A spectacular International Fashion Show followed, showcasing traditional attires from around the world. The day concluded with the principal's address on the importance of preserving values. Ultimately, the celebration successfully strengthened school-wide unity and instilled deep cultural pride in every participant.



EMPOWERING EDUCATORS: IGCSE KHAITAN'S GLORIOUS IGCSE CELEBRATION

“Together we work, together we succeed.”

The Indian Community School Kuwait, Khaitan, hosted a vibrant “Glorious Get-together”. This special event was dedicated to celebrating the remarkable hard work and success of our IGCSE teachers. The morning was filled with joy as educators participated in lively games and shared a celebratory photo session to capture lasting memories. This gathering served as a heartfelt tribute to the dedication that drives our students' academic achievements. Through refreshments and fellowship, the school reinforced the strength of its academic community.



CREATIVE SPIRITS SOAR AT IGCSE KHAITAN CARTOON DRAWING COMPETITION

“Every child is an artist. The problem is how to remain an artist once we grow up.”

The IGCSE organized a vibrant Cartoon Drawing Competition, inviting students to bring their favourite animated worlds to life. Centred on the nostalgic theme, “My favourite character from the cartoon I watch/watched the most,” the event held on April 17 transformed classrooms into hubs of artistic expression. Students showcase their talent on the provided drawing sheets. From classic heroes to modern-day icons, the variety of characters displayed reflected the diverse interests and deep creativity of the participants. The event successfully fostered a spirit of imagination and celebrated the joy of artistic storytelling.





UNPLUG TO RECHARGE: IGCSE KHAITAN EMBRACES SCREEN-FREE WEEK

“Disconnect to Connect: Real life happens beyond the lens.”

IGCSE launched Screen-Free Week from May 5 to May 11, 2025. This initiative encourages students to reduce digital consumption and rediscover the joy of real-world interaction. By stepping away from devices, students are invited to explore mindful hobbies such as art and craft, board games, and creative writing. The program emphasizes building small habits for long-term well-being, fostering deeper connections with family through activities like cooking together. This week serves as a vital reminder to prioritize creativity, mindfulness, and physical play over virtual entertainment.



TEACHER'S DAY CELEBRATION: IGCSE DEPARTMENT, ICSK

“A teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where his influence stops.”

On September 5th, the IGCSE Department at ICSK celebrated Teacher's Day with immense enthusiasm and gratitude. Students organized a vibrant assembly featuring soulful musical tributes and heartfelt speeches, acknowledging the pivotal role teachers play in shaping their futures. The highlight was a series of creative activity that showcased the bond between mentors and learners. The highlight of the day was the 'Student-Teacher' initiative, where senior students stepped into the shoes of their educators. By conducting lessons and managing classrooms, students gained a profound appreciation for the art of teaching.



K-RAYS 2025: WHERE INNOVATION IGNITES

“Theory is knowledge, but application is power.”

ICSK Khaitan recently hosted the K-Rays Exhibition, a collaborative showcase between the IGCSE and CBSE sections. Aimed at bridging the gap between theory and practice, the event focused on fostering critical thinking and hands-on learning. Under the teachers' guidance, students researched and presented diverse projects, with the 3D DNA model standing out as a masterpiece of biological engineering. Participants demonstrated exceptional clarity while explaining their concepts, refining their communication and analytical skills. By transforming the school into a hub of curiosity and teamwork, the exhibition proved to be a resounding success in nurturing the innovators of tomorrow.





KHOJ 2025: UNEARTHING HIDDEN GEMS

“Every child is an artist; the problem is how to remain one once he grows up.”

ICSK Khaitan recently hosted KHOJ, a dynamic talent hunt. A dedicated platform was provided for IGCSE students as well, allowing over 90 participants to showcase their unique abilities. The event aimed to nurture self-expression and boost student confidence. The stage came alive with a diverse array of performances, including singing, dancing, and instrumental music, alongside creative categories like cooking without fire and public speaking. Participants captivated judges with their originality and poise. Ultimately, KHOJ proved to be a resounding success, celebrating the vibrant spirit and multifaceted talents of the IGCSE cohort.



A DAY OF JOY: IG DEPARTMENT CELEBRATES CHILDREN'S DAY AT THE PARK

“Children are the world's most valuable resource and its best hope for the future.”

The IGCSE Department recently organized a refreshing outdoor excursion to a local park to celebrate Children's Day with enthusiasm and warmth. Students and faculty members stepped away from the traditional classroom setting to enjoy a day dedicated to bonding and leisure in a natural environment. The atmosphere was filled with laughter as the group engaged in various interactive games, fostering a sense of teamwork and school spirit. Following the activities, everyone gathered to share delicious refreshments, making the experience even more memorable.





FUTURPRENEURSHIP 2025: CULTIVATING TOMORROW'S TITANS

"The future belongs to those who see possibilities before they become obvious."

On November 16, 2025, the IGCSE Department hosted Futurpreneurship, a high-octane competition designed to bridge the gap between classroom theory and real-world commerce. The event served as a launchpad for aspiring student entrepreneurs to pitch sustainable business ideas and showcase innovative presentations. Participants demonstrated a keen "eye for the gap," presenting scalable solutions ranging from sustainable tech to social enterprises. By fostering this entrepreneurial spirit, the competition ensured that for these students, the future isn't just coming—it's being built.



IIMO – ICSK-IG MATHS OLYMPIAD

"Mathematics is the music of reason."

The IGCSE Department at ICSK successfully conducted the IIMO – ICSK-IG Maths Olympiad on November 17, 2025, the event encouraged students to "Think, Solve, and Conquer" through rigorous competition. A unique highlight of the event was a creative mathematical dance performance. Students used synchronized choreography to symbolize various mathematical signs and operators as dancing steps, blending performing arts with academic concepts. Participants then demonstrated exceptional problem-solving skills, tackling complex logical puzzles. The event successfully provided a platform for students to unlock their potential, earning recognition and prizes for their mathematical prowess.





KNOW MY KUWAIT - AN IGCSE EDUCATIONAL JOURNEY

"Exploration is the engine of knowledge."

On November 19th–20th, 2025 our 9 IGCSE students explored Kuwait's vibrant landscape. The expedition bridged history and innovation, featuring a ferry trip to Failaka Island and a scenic drive across the Sheikh Jaber Causeway. From the spiritual serenity of the Grand Mosque to the iconic Kuwait Towers, students witnessed national landmarks firsthand. The tour concluded with immersive museum visits and adventurous desert buggy rides, perfectly blending cultural education with modern exploration.



THRILL AND TOGETHERNESS: IGCSE STUDENTS' DAY OUT AT KUWAIT MAGIC

"Adventure is the best way to learn and grow together."

On November 27, 2025, the IGCSE students of ICSK Khaitan embarked on an exhilarating school picnic to Kuwait Magic. This much-awaited excursion offered a perfect blend of adventure and relaxation, allowing students to bond outside the traditional classroom setting. The day was packed with excitement as students enjoyed a variety of high-energy rides. Dressed in their vibrant school sports uniform, the group captured numerous memories through joyful group photos, celebrating the spirit of friendship and community. It was a refreshing break that recharged everyone's spirits for the academic term ahead.





IGCSE LITERARY PARADE: BRINGING STORIES TO LIFE

“A reader lives a thousand lives before he dies.” — George R.R. Martin

On December 15, 2025, the IGCSE Department at ICSK Khaitan hosted a magnificent Literary Parade, transforming the campus into a living library. The event celebrated the power of storytelling, ranging from the timeless verses of “The Solitary Reaper” to the modern magic of “Harry Potter.” Students showcased remarkable confidence, portraying iconic figures such as Sherlock Holmes and characters from Shakespearean dramas like Julius Caesar. The spectacle reached its peak with a breathtaking finale by Team Cinderella, illustrating the students’ collaborative spirit and artistic depth. By merging performance with classic and contemporary texts, the parade successfully ignited a lifelong passion for reading.

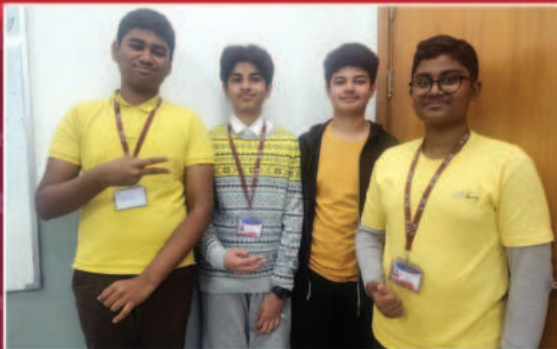


COLOURING OUR COMMUNITY: IGCSE SPIRIT WEEK 2025

“Spirit is the spark that turns a school into a family.”

The IGCSE Department at ICSK, Khaitan, recently celebrated its vibrant Spirit Week, a five-day journey of creativity and camaraderie. The festivities kicked off on December 14 with “Throwback to Preschool Days,” where students donned red attire. Subsequent days featured a yellow-themed “Painting My Expression & Literacy Parade” and a playful “Mismatch Day” in blue.

The week fostered deep connections through the “Unity Wall Memories” in purple, concluding on December 18 with a “Jar of Goodies & Movie Time” in pink. This colourful initiative successfully strengthened the school’s collective identity.





FUTURE FOUNDATIONS: INJAZ AT ICSK

“Opportunity does not knock, it builds a door.”

ICSK recently hosted three transformative INJAZ sessions for IGCSE students, bridging the gap between academics and the corporate world. The workshops focused on entrepreneurship, financial literacy, and work readiness. Through interactive team challenges, students mastered market dynamics and the art of the “business pitch.” These hands-on sessions cultivated critical thinking and collaboration, empowering the IGCSE cohort with essential global skills. By the finale, students emerged as confident, innovative thinkers ready to lead.



SPORTS: THE PULSE OF THE CAMPUS

“Victory is temporary, but the lessons of the game last a lifetime.”

Integrating sports into the school curriculum is vital for holistic development, bridging the gap between physical health and mental discipline. Beyond the obvious fitness benefits, sports foster teamwork, resilience, and leadership.

Our Physical Education department plays a pivotal role in this growth by organizing diverse tournaments for IGCSE. Students engage in high-energy team sports like volleyball, basketball, throwball and many more which sharpen strategic thinking and coordination. These competitions don't just crown winners; they build a vibrant school culture rooted in sportsmanship and mutual respect.





IGCSE - ACHIEVEMENTS

"Every victory is a step towards greater heights."



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AASHISH 2025: A BLESSING CEREMONY

“A journey of learning becomes meaningful when guided by purpose and unity.”

A Blessing Ceremony for the graduating students was held on May 22, 2025, to honour the first batch of B.Com and BBA students as they completed their academic journey. The event marked an important milestone for the institution and celebrated the achievements of the graduating class. The Chief Guest, Mr. Yusuf Chorghay, Deputy Chief Investment Banking Officer at Warba Bank, addressed the students and encouraged them to step into the professional world with confidence, integrity, and determination.



UNIVERSAL ORIENTATION DAY

“Every beginning carries the promise of growth, wisdom, and shared achievement.”

The Universal Orientation Day was held on Tuesday, 9 September 2025, to welcome the incoming students and introduce them to the institution's academic environment and values. The programme aimed to familiarise the students with their courses, expectations, and the opportunities that lay ahead.

The session was led by the Chief Guest and Keynote Speaker, Imran Phoplinkar, Business Development and Operations Manager, MSA. He addressed the students and highlighted the importance of discipline, skill development, and active participation in shaping a successful academic and professional journey.



UNIVERSAL SPORTS DAY & PRIZE DISTRIBUTION CEREMONY

“Every milestone is a testament to dedication, vision, and the spirit of collaboration.”

The Annual Sports Day of Universal ICSK Study Centre, Khaitan, was conducted on Monday, 1 December 2025, and Wednesday, 3 December 2025 at the ICSK Khaitan Campus. The event aimed to promote sportsmanship, teamwork, and active participation among students.

The prize distribution ceremony was held on 10 December 2025 and was presided over by the Principal, Mr. K Gangadhar Shirsath, who congratulated the winners and appreciated the enthusiastic participation of all students. He encouraged them to continue nurturing sportsmanship, discipline, and team spirit in their future endeavours.



RELEASE OF NEW FLYER

“Unveiling possibilities—where ambition meets opportunity.”

The flyer for the upcoming academic year was officially released on 5 February 2026, along with the announcement that admissions are now open.

The release was carried out by Mr. Azharuddin Amer Mohammed, Honorary Secretary to the Board of Trustees, who highlighted the institution's commitment to quality education and invited parents and students to apply for the new academic year.



AARAMBH 2025: THE FRESHERS' DAY

"Fresh energy. Fresh ideas. Fresh beginnings."

AARAMBH 2025, the Freshers' Day celebration, was organised to warmly welcome the new batch of Universal students and help them feel part of the academic community. The event was marked by vibrant performances, interactive sessions, and enthusiastic participation, making it a memorable beginning to their college journey.

The celebration reflected a spirit of togetherness and excitement as seniors and faculty came together to receive the newcomers. The principal, Mr. K Gangadhar Shirsath, addressed the gathering and encouraged students to make the most of the opportunities ahead, focus on their goals, and actively participate in academic and co-curricular activities.



UNIVERSAL PICNIC: BEYOND BOOKS AND BOUNDARIES

"In moments of shared joy, learning finds a different rhythm."

A picnic was organised at Kuwait Magic Park for the students of Universal, providing them with a refreshing break from their routine and an opportunity to bond with friends and teachers. The outing was filled with fun activities, laughter, and memorable moments.



UNIVERSAL AND IGCSE AT HEF 2025

"A little guidance can turn ambition into achievement."

The Higher Education Fair 2025 was held at ICSK Senior, Salmiya, on December 5 and 6. Organised jointly by ICSK and IIK, the fair attracted a large number of Indian students aspiring to pursue higher education after completing their studies in Kuwait. Renowned institutions from India and abroad participated, offering valuable guidance on courses, admissions, and career pathways. Both the Universal ICSK and the IGCSE wing actively participated in the mega fair.



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ICSK KHAITAN IN THE SPOTLIGHT (2025-2026)

"Every headline tells a story of excellence and inspiration."

ICSK Khaitan Conducts Aashirvaad 2026 – Blessing Ceremony for Class XII

Monday, February 9, 2026



The Indian Community School Kuwait, Khaitan, proudly hosted AASHIRVAAD 2026, the Blessing Ceremony for the outgoing Class XII batch, on Thursday, 5 February 2026. The occasion stood as a graceful tribute to the remarkable journeys, achievements, and personal growth of the graduating students, while also serving as a beacon of encouragement as they step into promising futures.

ONLINE ABACUS Contest for Kids

ICSK Khaitan Observes Martyrs' Day With Zara Yaad Karo Qurbani

Wednesday, February 4, 2026



In a solemn and inspiring observance of Martyrs' Day, The Indian Community School Kuwait...

ICSK Khaitan Celebrates Cambridge Achievements with Investiture Ceremony-2025

Thursday, September 18, 2025



The Indian Community School, Kuwait – Khaitan, proudly celebrated a double triumph with the outstanding Cambridge Examination Results of May/June 2025 and the Investiture...



Global Glory for ICSK Khaitan: Students Soar to the Top in Cambridge Awards

Tuesday, November 11, 2025



The Indian Community School, Kuwait (ICSK), Khaitan, one of the leading educational institutions in the country, continues to uphold its commitment to excellence and holistic education to three major UK examinations...

ICSK Khaitan culminates Arts Fest with Grand Award ceremony

Wednesday, December 10, 2025



The Indian Community School, Kuwait (ICSK), Khaitan, proudly hosted a grand award ceremony for the Arts Fest 'KHOJ' on Thursday, December 10, 2025. This event honoured the students' creativity and artistic...

K-Rays 2025: Innovation at its Peak in ICSK Khaitan

Thursday, September 21, 2025



The Indian Community School Kuwait, Khaitan, once again proved its commitment to nurturing innovation and creativity by hosting the annual science and arts exhibition, K-Rays 2025, on Thursday, 11th September from 4:30 PM to 7:30 PM at the school premises. Guided by the vision...

ICSK Khaitan Conducts KG Graduation – Udaan 2026

Sunday, February 22, 2026



The Indian Community School, Kuwait – Khaitan, celebrated a memorable milestone with the Kindergarten Graduation Ceremony 'Udaan 2026' on Thursday, 12 February 2026, held at the school auditorium. The event marked the joyful transition of UKG students to Grade 1 and was a heartfelt celebration of growth, achievement, and new...

ICSK-Khaitan Investiture Ceremony - A New Era of Leadership 2025 - 26

Tuesday, May 13, 2025



On May 8, 2025, the Indian Community School Kuwait-Khaitan hosted a distinguished Investiture Ceremony to formally induct the newly elected Student Senate for the academic year 2025-26. The ceremony was a momentous occasion, symbolizing the school's unwavering commitment to the core principles of participation, leadership, and student...



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The Art of Becoming

Imagine your friend made a mistake and is guilty about it; what would you do? Wouldn't you go over to your friend, console him/her, and offer some kind words? Wouldn't you tell them that it is okay to make mistakes and not to beat themselves up for it? You would, right? Now, think that it is you who is the friend and has made a mistake; would you still whisper those kind words you told your friend to yourself? Hmm...not sure, are we?

In a world where we are constantly judged and measured according to our achievements and success, mistakes have no room. It is as if we are not allowed to make mistakes. We are supposed to be this perfect person with the perfect body, perfect grades, and perfect smile. Even the number of teardrops we shed when we cry is also dictated by the society. Ridiculous, isn't it? Now, you might be thinking that I have curated some mind-blowing solution to this problem or something. Well, not really because not too long ago, I was the kind of person who used to beat herself up for every little mistake she made. Even now, I haven't completely got rid of that behaviour, but I am trying.

Looking back at my past year, I have come to realise that I was too hard on myself. I aimed for perfection and when I didn't get it, I got frustrated, which, combined with my genetically inherited anger issues, went, let's say, a bit out of hand. I was mad at myself for not being able to control my naturally curly hair, so I went and straightened it. Little did I know it would completely change the protein structure of my hair. When that didn't go well, I cut my hair and I cut it a bit too short. One time, I fell ill and couldn't study and I shamed myself by calling myself 'lazy' when I was just sick. I should have given more care to my body and rested properly.

With the advent of the new year, these reflections helped me tremendously to arrive at a resolution. I decided to embrace myself just the way I am. I decided to evolve into a better version of myself without judging myself too much. I have finally wrapped my head around the fact that I am not perfect and that I am simply a curious and weird human creature who is in the process of becoming. I can't assure myself that I wouldn't ever beat myself up, but I can assure that I will always prioritise my well-being and self-love over any societal standards and expectations.

So, the question to my wonderful readers remains: Would you still beat yourself up for the mistakes your poor little self made or would you try to correct them and gently move forward?

Ann Treesa Tony
XII-B



Is War the Only Solution to Peace?

"We make war that we may live in peace." These were the words of the great Greek philosopher Aristotle. These are words to be thought over, to be enlightened by, and to be discussed upon: Is war the solution to peace? Is war the only means to buy peace?

Humanity has passed through various generations, and in each generation, we have witnessed the evolution of technologies and infrastructure. However, by most measures, the most significant evolution that mankind has undergone through generations is the evolution of the human mind. People have become cold and selfish, unaffectionate, inconsiderate, and not bothered about their fellow human beings. And it is due to the minds of these insensitive people that the world has to suffer. War was never the solution to peace. History talks about the great conquerors like Alexander the Great, Julius Caesar, Napoleon Bonaparte, and many more, but

have we thought about the price that they paid to go down in history? Have we thought about the innocent souls who perished, just so these "invaders" could annex a patch of land? Rulers and generals, of the present and past, capture vast swathes of land, all in the name of courage and self-defense. Indeed, it takes courage and bravery to lead in battle, to attack and take everything, but it takes more valor to say no to violence, to lead with peace, and to find a solution that benefits everyone; that is true courage.

If there is one thing that mankind has never learned, even until this very day, it would be prudence, judgement, and careful consideration. Man has rarely displayed prudence in matters that can change global politics; he acts upon his will without reconsidering the consequences that shall forth come. And this very act of not being prudent has inadvertently turned out to be the worst enemy of humanity.

Wars are raging, countries are taking sides, and people are perishing; you and I indeed live in a world of violence, bloodshed, and destruction. Our generation boasts of its technological advancements and development of AI, but unaware to many of us, this generation also poses the greatest risk to the very existence of mankind. At the close of the Second World War, all the nations across the globe pledged never to have such a brutal and aggressive conflict ever again, but since then, we have witnessed the emergence of conflicts of a size never seen before.

Shortly after World War II, from the 1960s until the 1990s, the nations were plunged into the Cold War, just because 2 nations couldn't accept each other's principles and didn't want to go hand in hand. Then, in the 1990s, came the Gulf War, which caused so much destruction that it disrupted the global oil trade and took a hit to many struggling economies. Then came the 2001 and 2003 invasion of Afghanistan and Iraq by the US, who wanted to avenge the 9/11 attacks and claimed the existence of 'weapons of mass destruction'. Into the 2nd decade of the new millennium, Russia invaded Ukraine, starting a global war that to this very day hasn't been resolved with effective measures. And then the Indo-Pak wars, the conflicts in the middle east have further led the world into darkness. And now we witness the conflict for resources as nations try to extend their dominance over other nations to control their resources and exploit them for one's benefit, the most recent example being the US intervention in Venezuela. And yet at the end of the day, global leaders claim that all they do is try to achieve peace and cooperation in the world.

Peace and harmony are not borne by war, from the day when Cain killed his brother Abel with a stone until today, man is blinded by a veil of darkness and is unable to understand the true gravity of the situation. But not everyone is responsible for where we are right now. Take, for example, Japan, a country battered by destruction and war, and the only nation that has endured the pain and devastation of an atomic explosion, the effects of which the people still suffer. The Japanese are an interesting set of people, despite suffering from calamities both man-made and natural, the will of the people remains constant. They have been adamant and determined not to develop nuclear weapons and to never start a war that would bring death and desolation. In my eyes, the Japanese are the ones with true courage; they shunned violence as they experienced its effects on themselves. Instead, they focused on improving their lives by bringing in discipline and punctuality, for which they are globally acknowledged.

So that brings us back to the question that started all of this: 'Is war the solution to peace?' In my opinion, as far as I have seen and known, war can never be the key to eternal peace. It is true that sometimes war, though undesirable, is necessary to achieve a lasting peace, but not all the time. Diplomacy, cooperation, mutual understanding, trust, and friendship can be taken as alternatives to this, and most importantly, the human mind. It is our decision that shapes the world; if we choose a world free of conflict, if we could just forget and forgive, if we could just be compassionate towards others, maybe, just maybe, this world might turn out to be a better place.

Ayman Muhammed
X-A



Are We Losing the Art of Conversation?

Communication is the foundation of human relationships. However, in today's fast-paced digital world, an important question arises: Are we losing the art of communication? In our current society, people have lost the art of talking face to face or even on call, they gravitate to texting. People now prefer texting over talking, emojis over expressions and short replies over meaningful discussions. The reliance on these digital devices is robbing young people to develop empathy and social skills.

Another major concern is the lack of attentive listening. In earlier times, conversations involved patience and empathy. Today, people are often distracted by notifications and screens, even while speaking to someone directly.

Though we are digitally connected, there is a growing fear that people are losing the ability to communicate efficiently. Technology has made communication easier but not necessarily richer. When we lose the art of conversation, we risk losing understanding and relationships.

To conclude, the digital age does not have to mean the death of conversation. After all, the ability to talk and truly listen is what makes us human. True communication is not just about exchanging words; it is about understanding hearts and minds.

Ayesha Chougale
XII-D



Are Exams Really the Measure of Intelligence?

“Childhood is an invaluable gift. Every child deserves to enjoy it. Let children grow naturally.”

- Rajen Garabadu

In today's fast-changing, technology-driven world, an important question arises: Are students being prepared for life, or only for examinations? Many young learners feel that although they study hard, they are not fully equipped to face real-world challenges. The best schools today should aim not only to help students score well in exams, but also to prepare them for the future, just like the Japanese schools that don't start formal education for children until they are well equipped with simple and basic daily tasks like cleaning the floors, washing dishes, etc.

Examinations have become an unavoidable part of every student's life. From school tests to board exams, competitive entrance examinations, and international assessments like SAT and IELTS, our future often seems to depend on a few hours spent inside an examination hall. In the Indian education system, especially Grade 10 and Grade 12 board results are treated as life-deciding milestones. But the real question remains—do these examinations truly measure a person's intelligence and potential? Exams mainly test how much information a student can remember and reproduce within a limited time. However, life does not function in this way. In real situations, we are allowed to think, explore, discuss, make mistakes, and improve. Knowledge is not just about writing correct answers on paper; it is about understanding, applying, and questioning what we learn. True learning happens when we connect concepts to real life, not when we memorize paragraphs from textbooks.

Unfortunately, examinations have also become tools of comparison. After the results are declared, students are judged by relatives, neighbours, and sometimes even teachers. A single low score can damage a child's confidence and create the belief that they are “not good enough.” Students are grouped based on marks, leading to unhealthy competition and emotional stress. Many talented students begin to doubt themselves—not because they lack ability, but because they lack high exam scores.

The present education system needs restructuring so that it develops the skills required for future careers. Academics are important, but they must be balanced with creativity, communication, problem-solving, and emotional intelligence. Schools should focus on shaping confident individuals, rather than making programmed robots that are incapable of thinking creatively due to the limitations set by the educational

system. Scoring well does not always mean understanding well. The famous physicist Richard Feynman once observed that his students could recite physics definitions perfectly yet failed to explain simple natural phenomena. This proved that they had memorized concepts without truly understanding them. He then encouraged students to explain ideas in their own words—and only then did real learning begin. History also proves that exams do not define greatness. Albert Einstein struggled in school, Thomas Edison was considered a weak learner, and Michael Faraday had little formal education. Yet these minds changed the world forever. Their success came from curiosity, creativity, and perseverance—not from examination ranks.

This does not mean that exams should be completely removed. They help develop discipline, memory, and analytical skills. However, the system must change. Students should be encouraged to think independently, express ideas in their own words, and apply knowledge creatively instead of memorizing definitions. Education should inspire, not frighten.

In conclusion, a single sheet of paper cannot measure a student's intelligence, talent, or future. As Thomas Edison beautifully said, “Tomorrow is my exam, but I don't care, because a single sheet of paper can't decide my future.” Let us remember that every child is unique, and true education lies in nurturing minds, not just counting marks.

Azlaan Sharieff
XI-B



Growth Outside Comfort Zones

Most of us love feeling comfortable. We like what's familiar, the same friends, the same routines, the same safe choices. Comfort feels easy. But comfort rarely helps us grow. Real growth begins the moment we step into situations that make us nervous. I learned this the first time I stood on a stage to speak in front of a crowd. A simple elocution competition back in the smaller grades. My hands were shaking, my heart was racing, and part of me wished I could disappear. But once I finished, something changed. More than feeling relieved, I felt stronger. That one uncomfortable moment built confidence that no textbook ever could.

Every time we challenge ourselves, whether it's speaking in public, joining a competition, taking initiative, or trying something new, we stretch beyond who we were yesterday, which is the entire point of growth. Comfort zones feel safe because they don't demand effort. But staying there means staying the same. When I joined the Model United Nations, I was surrounded by people who spoke confidently about global issues while I was still trying to figure out the meanings of the most basic terms they were throwing around. It was intimidating. Yet, each conference pushed me to research harder, think smarter, and communicate better. Slowly, what once felt uncomfortable became a strength. The truth is, discomfort is not a sign of failure; it's a sign of growth in progress. Think about any achievement you are proud of. It probably started with fear: fear of failing, fear of being judged, fear of not being good enough. But you tried anyway, and that courage shaped you. Growth does not come from waiting until we feel ready. We grow by starting before we feel ready. Our school years are the best time to explore, attempt, and challenge ourselves.

So, join that club. Try that competition. Volunteer for that role. Raise your hand even when you're unsure. Because every uncomfortable step forward builds confidence, skills, and resilience. One day, you'll look back and realize the moments that scared you were the moments that changed you. So, step out. Speak up. Try more. Your comfort zone is a beautiful place, but nothing ever grows there.

David Mathew Samuel, Vice President
XI-A



Learning to Walk

Endings are strange things.

They come quietly, hidden in last periods, final assemblies, and the last walk down a familiar corridor without realising it may be the last. One day, you are simply standing somewhere new, understanding that you arrived without noticing when you left.

As children, we stood on unsteady feet, took uncertain steps, fell into open arms, and eventually learned how to walk. No one expected us to get it right the first time.

School has been a second home. These corridors have watched us grow. We arrived as children, trying to fit into uniforms too big for us. Now the desks feel smaller, yet the world feels larger. It's hard to believe that I am almost done with this chapter of my life. Nothing dramatic has happened. No moment felt important enough to mark the end. Just a strange hollow feeling where certainty used to be. For the first time, I feel emptiness where answers once lived. The future no longer feels like something waiting for me. It feels like something watching me, quietly asking what I'll do with it.

We are told this is the age of clarity. That by now we should know who we are and where we are going. But I do not feel clear. I feel suspended between who I was and who I am expected to become, often feeling like I am disappointing both. Some days I look confident on the outside while quietly doubting myself on the inside. Maybe most of us do. Maybe we are all pretending to understand ourselves while secretly hoping no one notices that we are still searching.

I used to believe there were right paths and wrong ones, that careful planning could protect us from regret. Life has taught me otherwise. It does not wait for certainty. It moves, and we are forced to move with it, becoming something before we feel ready. I have doubted myself more times than I can count. I have held back when something inside me wanted to step forward. I have watched chances pass because I was afraid of choosing wrong.

I keep asking myself what it truly means to live well. Is success the same as happiness? Are we defined by what we achieve or by what we stand for? Or is a good life something quieter, something deeper, something harder to measure but easier to feel? The older I grow, the more I realise that effort matters even when outcomes do not. That rising again, even without knowing where you are going, is its own kind of victory.

I do not have one clear passion I can confidently point to, and that scares me. Everyone else seems to know what they want. I am still figuring it out. But maybe passion is not something you find all at once. Maybe it is something you build slowly through curiosity, through failure, and through staying when things get hard.

Sometimes I look at the world and feel small. We are grains of sand in a vast universe that existed long before us and will continue long after we are gone. It is easy to let that make everything meaningless. But I choose the opposite. If nothing is guaranteed, then every moment becomes precious, especially the friendships, the joy, the quiet moments that never make it into photographs but stay with us anyway.

As I leave school, I am not carrying certainty. I am carrying questions. And maybe that is exactly what I am meant to take forward. I am learning that there is no single right way to live, only honest ways. That mistakes are not the opposite of growth but proof of it.

The truth is, part of me is terrified. Not of failing, but of choosing. Because every step forward closes a hundred other doors. For the first time, my life feels like something I am responsible for. And I am only just realising what that means. I do not know who I will become. But I know how I want to become. With curiosity instead of fear. With courage instead of doubt. With hope instead of regret.

So, I am stepping forward, carrying memories, laughter, mistakes, friendships, and dreams. Still learning to walk. Still learning to live. And ready for whatever comes next.

Dhruv Deepu, Student Editor
XII-B



As the Year Flies By

Grabbed my book of lyrics,
A pen thirstier for thought
Than ink, I think,
As my mind strolls through memories
To cherish, to remind, to learn, to forget,
All as I sit beside the campfire
Wrapped in wool with a cup of brew.

The silence takes me through the days
Of unending joy,
Like the ever-stretching sea
And the sunrise that paints it gold,
Every moment felt like forever,
My days of euphoria shall they be.

The croaks of ravens remind me
Of the days never forgotten,
Of days of misery and never-seen triumphs,
Through paths I wish none will travel,
Though each drop of crimson
Showed me what the world had to offer,
And what mending was needed of me.

The raging fire,
The crackling embers remind me
Of how desire consumes the heart,
Like the fire that never ceases to grow,
All it needs is a spark,
A NEED to start.

As I jot the flow of time,
A stronger, ecstatic soul I remain,
For the future holds more than I know.
Allies I made, lessons I gained,
They remain my precious stains,
For now remains
Another year that flies by,
And I, learning to fly high.



Fida Anushad Poovanchery
XI-A

The Last Year of School

School life is honestly one of the most thrilling journeys a student can go through, and the final year hits differently. It's priceless in a way you can't really explain, only feel. I've been a student of ICSK Khaitan for 14 years. Fourteen. Do you know how long that is? That's my entire childhood, half my personality, and 90% of the people I care about. There were so many tiny experiences, inside jokes, random moments, victories, and even struggles that shaped me into who I am today. Sometimes I think about why I'm so attached to this school, and then I remember: the little kid who cried in kindergarten when her parents left for a few hours is now packing up to graduate. That alone feels unreal.

My parents always pushed me into extracurriculars, and honestly, I'm glad they did. I got to explore, mess up, learn, grow, and basically live the full school experience. When I look back now, the activities in primary school and the challenges of high school feel like one long story where I somehow came full circle.

Grade 12 was something else (except the academic pressure—the part that no one misses). Our classes officially started on February 3rd, 2025, and from that day onward, everything became a memory worth holding onto. I was in 12-B, a class of 39 bright, chaotic, funny, talented people, and our class teacher, Jins ma'am, who held us together more than she even realizes. Our subject teachers genuinely cared, pushed us, tolerated our moods, and made sure we survived the 12th-grade syllabus.

Our first big responsibility was organising Aashirwaad 2025—the seniors' farewell. We wanted to get it right, and we did. Watching our seniors walk out for the last time almost broke us...not only because we'd miss them, but because it hit us that next year, it was our turn to leave.

Then came the Kuwait National and Liberation Day celebrations; our class in full flag colours, the cheerful chaos, and even our "healthy sandwich making" activity that turned into this unexpectedly wholesome party. April brought our psychology field trip to the Kuwait Autism Centre—such an eye-opening experience that made me appreciate my subject even more.

May was the investiture ceremony—and seeing my friends step into such important roles honestly made me feel proud like a parent. And then came one of my favourite parts of the year: our first inter-house MUN, ICMUN 2025. THE CHAOS. THE POWER. THE RESPONSIBILITY. Being on the Executive Board and directing a committee felt surreal, like we were suddenly the responsible, grown-up people running an event, and somehow, we pulled it off.

Teachers' Day in September was another milestone — stepping into the role of seniors, planning the assembly, taking up the student teacher roles, and suddenly realizing we were the ones everyone looked up to now. October brought Khoj 2025, our arts fest — the energy, the talent, the backstage madness, which easily became one of the most fun events of the year.

Then November arrived with our picnic to Kuwait Magic, which was a perfect break from the constant academic grind. Children's Day was pure fun, something about celebrating being "kids" one last time before reality hits. And then December dropped the preboards, mock practicals, revisions, stress, laughter, and finally... our last day. A weird mix of joy, nostalgia, and the sudden realization that this was the end of a huge chapter.

But honestly, the magic of school was not just in the big events. It was also in the everyday things — talking to friends about how we were going to survive the next exam, playing games during free periods, the last-minute homework panic, planning our futures, facing small fears together, talking to our favourite juniors, greeting teachers, and catching little kids staring at our senior uniforms like we were someone important.

Even walking around the school just to take it all in one last time became a ritual. Something we did without saying it out loud because we just knew these were our last precious chances to live it.

Fourteen years is more than just time. It is roots; a whole story. People who became family. Lessons that shaped me. Moments that built me. A place that gave me a childhood and a future.

Thank you, ICSK Khaitan, for shaping me into who I am today—I will always carry a piece of you with me.



Jewel Joe
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ART: THE SOUL OF OUR SCHOOL

Ever wondered why art class feels different? It's not just about drawing, it's where our imaginations run wild, problems get solved in colourful ways, and we discover new things about ourselves and the world. It's the only class where nobody asks, "Will this come for the exam?" and that freedom makes all the difference.

In our school, art is never treated as 'extra.' Whether it is music, dance, drama, painting or any other form of expression, every talent is encouraged and celebrated. Our stages had seen nervousness in the initial performances, forgotten steps, last-minute rehearsals, and a lot of behind-the-scenes laughter. Yet every performance ends with applause that makes all the effort worth it. Our school believes that academics provide careers, and art boosts our confidence and provides unending entertainment. For me, dance is more than just movement; it is healing. Performing on stage teaches us to face fear with confidence and mistakes with a smile. More than trophies, art gives us strength and a sense of belonging. What I love most is that our school gives us the freedom to explore, experiment, and even fail without fear. Art is not just about winning competitions or creating perfect pieces—it's about expressing ourselves, finding our voice, and learning new skills along the way. Every student gets a chance to shine in their own way, whether it's composing music, performing a skit, sculpting, or designing posters. We learn to observe the world differently, notice beauty in small things, and think beyond limits. In art, imagination becomes limitless, creativity becomes courage, and every effort, no matter how small, is celebrated. These moments teach us to appreciate not only our own talents but also the talents of others, turning the entire school into a vibrant, supportive, and joyful community. Art is what gives our school its heartbeat. It turns classrooms into creative spaces, students into storytellers, and ordinary days into unforgettable memories.

Krupa Maria Ajesh
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Arts Club Secretary



Artificial Intelligence (AI) is no longer a concept limited to science fiction movies or advanced laboratories. Today, it plays an important role in our day-to-day lives. From smartphones and social media to online learning platforms and healthcare systems, AI is deeply integrated into modern society. While many people believe that AI is a powerful force for progress, others argue that its rapid growth may create serious problems for individuals and society.

One of the strongest arguments in favour of AI is the convenience and efficiency it provides. AI helps people complete tasks faster and more accurately. For example, students use AI-powered applications to improve their learning through personalized lessons and instant feedback. In healthcare, AI helps doctors analyse medical data, detect diseases early, and suggest treatments. AI also supports businesses by improving customer service and decision-making.

These uses show that AI can enhance human abilities and improve the quality of life. Another advantage of AI is accessibility. AI-powered tools such as voice assistants, translation apps, and screen readers help people with disabilities communicate and live more independently. Small businesses and individuals also benefit from AI tools that were once available only to large organizations. In this way, AI has the potential to reduce barriers and create equal opportunities.

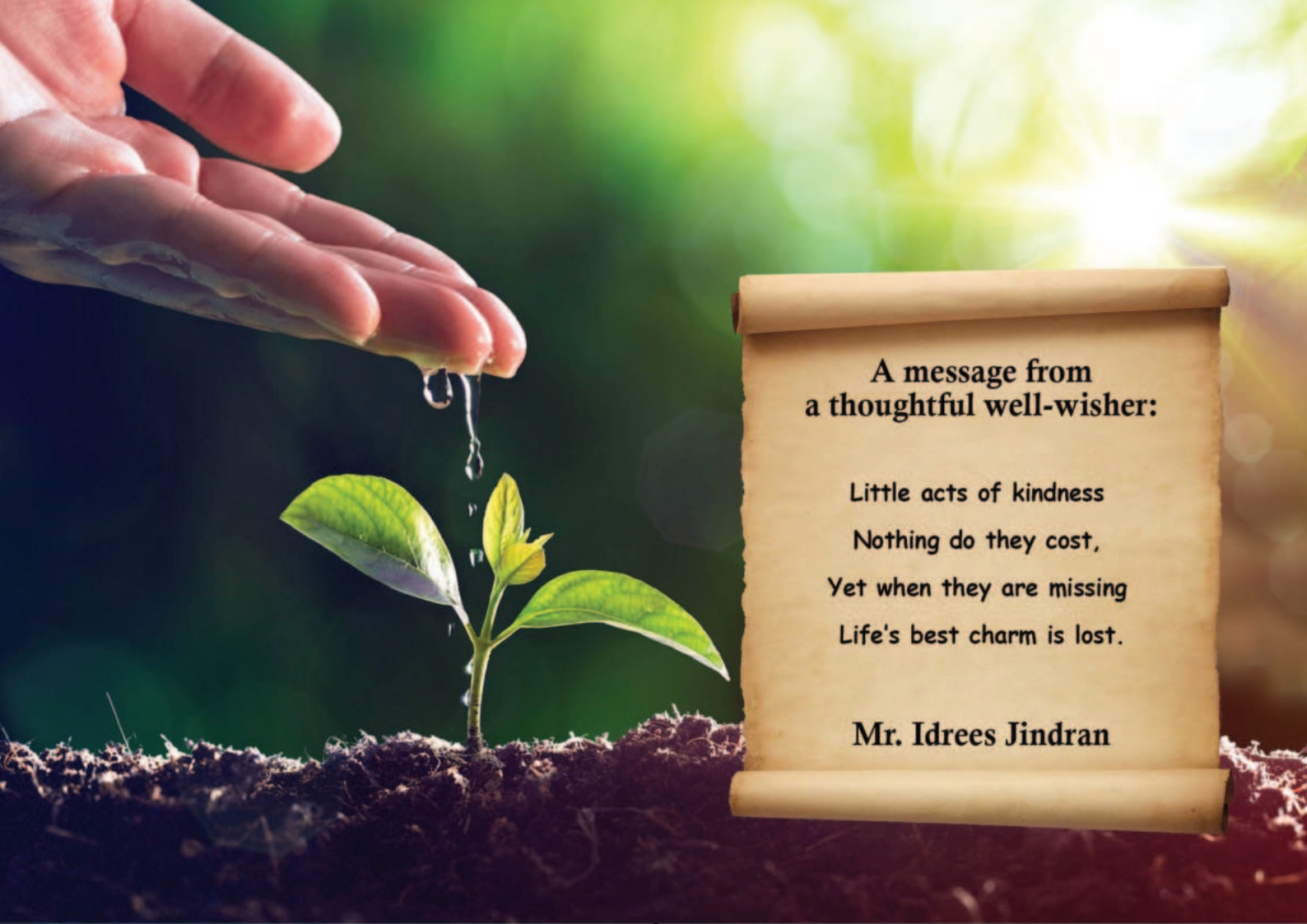
However, despite these benefits, there are strong arguments against the increasing role of AI. One major concern is overdependence on technology. As people rely more on AI to think, decide, and solve problems, they may lose important skills such as critical thinking and creativity. Students may become too dependent on AI tools instead of learning through effort and practice.

Privacy is another serious issue. AI systems collect and analyse large amounts of personal data, often without users fully understanding how their information is used. This raises concerns about data misuse, surveillance, and loss of personal freedom. When machines track behaviour constantly, individual privacy can be easily compromised.

In conclusion, AI has become an essential part of modern life, offering efficiency, innovation, and convenience. At the same time, it poses risks such as loss of privacy, job displacement, and overreliance on technology. Therefore, AI should be developed and used responsibly, with proper rules and human control. The future of AI should focus not only on technological progress but also on protecting human values, skills, and independence.

Maclean Aarsh D'souza
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A message from
a thoughtful well-wisher:

Little acts of kindness
Nothing do they cost,
Yet when they are missing
Life's best charm is lost.

Mr. Idrees Jindran

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The Evening Social Science Came Alive

Social science is the systematic study of human society, its institutions, and the intricate web of interactions that shape communities, economies, and cultures over time; structured, enlightening, and so catastrophically boring that I would willingly choose to watch paint dry for three hours on a creaky porch in the Arctic, wearing one sock, no Wi-Fi, while Shrek plays in the background on mute and I spiral into a full-blown identity crisis wondering where exactly my life went wrong.

That was me. That was my honest, unfiltered relationship with social science. History felt like a long list of events that had already happened and clearly did not need my emotional involvement. Civics was rules stacked on rules, all written in a tone that sounded like it was disappointed in me. Economics was graphs, terms, and theories that somehow made sense only five minutes after the exam ended. Geography? Maps, maps, more maps, and rivers I'd never seen and climates I'd never experienced. Social science wasn't confusing, it was exhausting. It demanded attention and patience.

Last vacation, I visited my grandparents in India. They live together in a house that feels like it has stories soaked into its walls, the kind where evenings arrive slowly and conversations aren't rushed. My grandad has a degree in history, and he loves it in a way that has always confused me. One afternoon, while we were sitting around doing absolutely nothing important, I finally asked him why he chose to study something that felt so... stuck in the past. He simply laughed. Not the polite kind, the genuine, knowing kind. He didn't explain. He just said, "Come with me tomorrow evening."

The next evening, as the sun dipped behind the hills, he led me through narrow streets scented with frying spices and wet earth after a sudden drizzle. Marigold garlands swayed above doorways, lamps flickered along alleys, and drums thumped in a rhythm that felt like the heartbeat of the town. Children ran between stalls selling jaggery, roasted peanuts, and bright bangles that jingled when touched. The crowd pressed close, laughing, bargaining, shouting in bursts of excitement.

"See that group by the canal?" my grandfather asked, pointing to farmers arguing over water from the irrigation channels. "Ten years ago, disputes like this were decided by the eldest in the family. Now, everyone votes together. That's civics in motion, not a textbook example." One farmer held up his hand, gesturing passion-

ately, while another traced lines in the dirt. I could feel the tension and compromise in every gesture. We passed women haggling over spices. "Economics isn't numbers," he whispered. "It's fairness, negotiation, and compromise; you notice patterns if you pay attention." Coins exchanged hands quickly; some buyers walked away satisfied, others argued again.

Nearby, children skipped over river rocks while elders sat under trees, telling stories about the town's past. "History isn't kings or rulers," he said, "it's people like these, making choices, failing, trying, and shaping the world. Geography matters too; look at the river, the hills, how they shape lives, farms, and festivals. Everything you've studied, history, civics, economics, geography, it's alive right here."

Standing there, something finally clicked. Social science wasn't chapters and definitions. It wasn't answers boxed neatly at the back of a textbook. It was this loud, messy, emotional, imperfect. It was people. It was life unfolding in real time.

I didn't suddenly fall in love with the subject that evening. But I understood it. Social science wasn't asking me to memorise the world, it was asking me to notice it. To understand why societies function the way they do. Why conflicts happen. Why traditions survive. Why places shape people, and people shape history in return.

I still struggle with some chapters. Some pages still feel long. But now, when I open a social science textbook, I don't see boredom. I see context. I see connection. I see stories waiting to be understood. And maybe that's the real lesson Social science isn't boring. It's just asking us to look closer.

Malavika Vinod
IX-C



CROSSROADS

They thrust predefined maps into my palms, veins of roads unfamiliar,
Each path paved with shining promises that shimmer but falter.
Society recites destinies already defined,
While my silence shapes truths they'll never find.

Grades may speak for a moment in time,
But true talent cannot be bound nor entwined.
Ink may record the lessons and knowledge I learn,
But not the wild fire and passion for which I yearn.

Now, I stand between the known and the unknown,
Where dreams take root in the liminal between.
Numbers dissolve, maps fade, yet my inner compass guides,
Marks are mere shadows; passion illumines where my true self resides.

So, I linger where shadows entwine with fragile light,
Between measured footsteps that ache to take flight.
For exams are mere thresholds, not the measure of my soul,
Beyond them, I soar for horizons untold.

Ridhi Bali
X-D



The Horseshoe Crab: Nature's Ultimate Survivor

The horseshoe crab is what scientists call a "living fossil." While many animals evolve to survive, these creatures found a perfect design 450 million years ago and stuck with it. They are so old that they were already wandering the ocean floor 100 million years before the first trees ever grew on land!

Their survival record is incredible. They have lived through five mass extinctions, including the asteroid that wiped out the dinosaurs. They aren't fancy or aggressive; they are simple bottom-feeders with a shell like a suit of armour and a tail used only to flip themselves over. They survived because they are "low-maintenance"—they can handle almost any environment time throws at them.

Beyond being ancient, they are also medical saviours. They have bright blue blood that is worth about \$15,000 per Liter. Their blood has a unique ability to instantly trap bacteria in a thick gel. Because of this, the medical world uses it to test every vaccine and surgical tool for germs. If you have ever had a life-saving shot, you likely have a horseshoe crab to thank.

These creatures are a humbling reminder that you don't need to be the fastest or the strongest to win at life. They have watched the dinosaurs come and go and seen the entire history of humans, all while staying the same. They are truly nature's ultimate survivors.

Sruti Prakash
X-D



"Mother"

My mother is sweet and kind,
The best friend I find.
She loves me so,
and helps me to grow.

Her smile is bright like the sun,
and playing with her is so much fun.
She is good and sweet,
She gives me a yummy treat.

She is so gentle and mild,
Her face is always smiling.
She always stays by my side,
I love her far and wide.

Suhaan Sarji Chiplunkar
I-G



The Candy House

Seven years ago, in 2018, two children named Jacky and Nancy Clearwalt found a magical Candy House in the Belmont Jungle near their home. Inside the Candy House, they found a secret passageway that led to Nursery Rhyme Village. The people there were very kind. With their help, Jacky and Nancy opened a small bakery and sold candies and cakes. Everyone loved their sweets. Soon, they made a lot of money and built a big mansion. They lived happily.

FAST FORWARD TO 2026

Jacky was now seventeen years old, and Nancy was sixteen. One morning, they went downstairs for breakfast. They were eating pancakes with honey. Jacky was reading the newspaper and suddenly looked shocked.

"Nancy, look!" he said. "The President is banning nursery rhymes! If nursery rhymes are banned, Nursery Rhyme Village will disappear!"

"Oh no!" Nancy cried. "We can't let that happen!"

They ran to the Candy House and went through the secret passageway. Soon, they reached Nursery Rhyme Village. They met Mr. Tompkins, the village chief, and told him the bad news.

Mr. Tompkins felt scared at first. Then he smiled. "I have an idea," he said. He called his helpers, the Lumpy Wumpys. They were tiny fairies who spoke a strange language. They brought out a small box and Mr. Tompkins took out a magic wand from it.

Then they made a plan.

That night, they went back to the human world and sneaked into the President's office. The President was talking to his secretaries.

"What do you want?" he asked. "We are happy you are banning nursery rhymes," Jacky and Nancy said. "Can we have your autograph?"

While the President was signing, the Lumpy Wumpys waved the wand and said a spell:

"Twinkle, twinkle, silly rhyme,
Make him love us ALL the time.

No more bans, no more hate,
Nursery rhymes are really GREAT!"

A bright light flashed.

The President smiled. "Why would I ever ban nursery rhymes? I love them!" he said. "They are fun and happy." He quickly cancelled the ban.

Everyone in Nursery Rhyme Village was happy again. They danced, sang, and ate candy. Mr. Tompkins thanked Jacky and Nancy for saving their village.

Jacky and Nancy went home smiling, knowing that magic would always be with them.

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The Story of a Forgotten Heroine

When the term "freedom fighter" is mentioned, as Indians, the first names that come to mind are Bhagat Singh, Mahatma Gandhi, etc. Of course, they were great freedom fighters; yet, there is one person who cannot be left behind. Although she is known to only a few, it is our duty to let her be known. She was also known as the youngest female spy in the INA (Indian National Army). This "forgotten heroine" was Sarasvati Rajamani.

On 11 January 1927, a baby girl was born to Ramanathan and his wife in Rangoon, Burma (present-day Myanmar). Ramanathan was a gold mine owner, and their family was regarded as one of the richest in Rangoon. During those days, India was ruled by the British. The family was known as a staunch supporter of the freedom movement led by Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose, and generous donations were made for the cause.

From a young age, it was believed by Sarasvati that weapons needed to be held against the British if they were to be driven away. This belief was proven through one of her childhood incidents. One day, their house was visited by Mahatma Gandhi. At that time, ten-year-old Sarasvathi was found practicing shooting with her toy gun. When she was asked by Mahatma Gandhi why she was practicing shooting, a fearless reply was given: To shoot the British.

This root was further strengthened at the age of sixteen when inspiration was drawn from one of Subhash Chandra Bose's speeches delivered in Rangoon at that time. For the freedom movement, all her jewellery was donated by her.

Netaji was extremely impressed by this determination, and the name Sarasvathi was given to her by him. In 1942, she was recruited into the INA as a spy under the 'Jhansi Ki Rani' recruitment wing.

After World War II, her work in the army came to an end when the INA was disbanded by Netaji. Following this, all the family's wealth was donated, and a return to India was made.

In 2005, it was reported through a newspaper clip that Sarasvathi was spending the remainder of her life in Chennai. Like other freedom fighters, a rightful pension was granted to her, yet she was struggling to make ends meet.

Due to this, a request for help was made by her to the Tamil Nadu government, which was fulfilled in the form of a gift of five lakh rupees and a rent-free housing board accommodation.

The great spy passed away due to cardiac arrest in 2018. Her autobiography was written in Hindi under the title "Haar Nahi Manungi." Her great story still inspires millions of girls who have the seed of patriotism in them.



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The Poverty Trap Isn't What You Think It Is

We've all heard the statistics. We've seen the charity advertisements. And somewhere along the way, we've absorbed this comforting narrative: poverty exists because people don't have enough money, so if we just send more aid, build more schools, or hand out more cash, the problem will solve itself. Except it doesn't. And the reason why reveals something far more unsettling about the poverty trap than most economics textbooks will tell you.

The Invisible Cage

The poverty trap is real, but it's not just about lacking money. It's about how poverty fundamentally rewires decision-making. Imagine your brain is a smartphone. When you're financially secure, you're running on full battery with all your apps working smoothly. But when you're poor, you're perpetually at 3% battery, in low-power mode, with only the most urgent notifications getting through. This isn't a metaphor. Behavioral economists Sendhil Mullainathan and Eldar Shafir found that poverty creates a "scarcity mindset" that reduces cognitive capacity. In one study, Indian farmers performed significantly worse on cognitive tests before harvest (when poor) than after harvest, showing a difference in cognitive performance based purely on financial stress. Poverty literally makes you worse at being poor. When your mental bandwidth is consumed by immediate survival, you can't engage in the future-oriented thinking that builds wealth. This cognitive burden compounds with every other disadvantage. A middle-class student who fails can try again. A poor student working night shifts, operating on reduced cognitive capacity, doesn't just fail; they confirm to themselves that they "aren't cut out" for education. The system makes failure feel inevitable and personal.

Why Throwing Money Misses the Point

Traditional aid often fails because it misunderstands the problem entirely. Food aid destroys local farmers' ability to sell crops, creating dependency. Schools built without addressing why parents keep children home to work end up empty. It's like giving someone a gym membership when they need treatment for a broken leg. Jeffrey Sachs famously argued that extreme poverty could be eliminated through a "big push" of coordinated aid—essentially, a massive injection of resources all at once to lift people above the critical threshold where investments start yielding returns. His Millennium Villages Project tested this theory with disappointing results. Villages received intensive support, yet many gains evaporated once aid withdrew, and some control villages that received nothing, performed better. Why? Because Sachs treated poverty like a capital problem when it is an equilibrium problem. Imagine a ball in a valley: you can push it up the slope, but unless you push it over the ridge, it rolls right back down. Aid provided the push, but did not change the landscape. Corrupt officials remained, dysfunctional markets persisted, and social norms continued.

William Easterly, Sachs's intellectual rival, argues that poverty persists because of bad institutions, not insufficient resources. He points to resource-rich countries like the Democratic Republic of Congo or Venezuela that remain desperately poor, while resource-scarce countries like South Korea or Singapore have become wealthy. You can't aid your way out of institutional dysfunction because aid itself flows through those same dysfunctional institutions.

The Real Trap

The poverty trap operates on multiple interlocking levels apart from the commonly known health and nutrition-based traps:

The S-Curve Problem: Below a certain threshold, investments yield almost nothing. If you are malnourished, working harder just exhausts you faster. If you can afford one year of school but not six, you gain almost no labor market advantage. Returns only kick in after a critical mass of capital, education, or health—precisely what the poor cannot reach. You need to be rich enough to benefit from trying to get richer.

The Insurance Gap: Rich people insure against catastrophe. Poor people experience it. When a poor family faces a medical emergency, they sell livestock, pull kids from school, or take predatory loans. Each crisis destroys the fragile assets they have built. Economist Stefan Dercon calls this the "poverty penalty": the poor pay more for everything precisely because they can't afford to pay less, such as buying food daily instead of in bulk, renting instead of owning, borrowing

at 200% interest.

These traps don't just coexist. They amplify each other. Malnutrition reduces cognitive function, which lowers educational attainment, which limits earning potential, which reinforces malnutrition. Lack of collateral prevents loans, which prevents business growth, which prevents asset accumulation, which sustains the lack of collateral. Each trap makes the others harder to escape, creating a system where the starting point determines the endpoint with terrifying consistency.

What Actually Works

The most promising interventions change the structure of choices people face. Conditional cash transfers have shown remarkable success in countries like Brazil and Mexico. Instead of just handing out money or food, governments provide cash only if families keep children in school, attend health checkups, and get vaccinations. This makes long-term investment the rational short-term choice, removing the impossible choice between eating today and investing in tomorrow. Microfinance reveals that the poor need shock absorbers, not just opportunities. Most people used microloans not to start businesses but to smooth consumption during crises. When you're living so close to the edge that one emergency destroys everything, you can't take productive risks. Microfinance works by providing enough security that people can think beyond tomorrow.

Nudges and commitment devices leverage behavioral economics directly. In the Philippines, savings accounts that locked money until planting season helped farmers save for fertilizer. These interventions work because they acknowledge that willpower is a luxury the poor can't afford. Instead of demanding heroic self-control, they make the beneficial choice the easy choice.

The Uncomfortable Truth

Escaping the poverty trap at scale requires changing systems, not just helping individuals. It requires functioning governments, reliable infrastructure, enforceable property rights, and accessible markets, which aid simply can't buy. The poverty trap isn't a simple lock waiting for the key of sufficient funding. It's a complex system of interlocking constraints: economic, cognitive, social, and institutional.

The Path Forward

This doesn't mean giving up on aid. It means being smarter about it. We should champion policies that change incentive structures and advocate for investments in institutions and infrastructure, not just handouts.

Most importantly: stop treating poverty as a simple problem. The people living in poverty are not failing to make obvious choices—they are making rational decisions within an impossible system. Our job is not to fix them; it is to fix the system that traps them.

The poverty trap exists. But understanding what it really is, a behavioral and institutional cage, not just a financial one, is the first step toward breaking it.

Aysha Jamil
A-Level



A Day Dipped in Colour and Nostalgia: A Reflection on The Cartoon Drawing Competition

There are some days that unfold like pages from a storybook—each moment brushed with colour, emotion, and a quiet kind of magic. The day of our cartoon drawing competition was one such day, stitched together with laughter, echoes of childhood, and the soft rustle of creativity dancing on paper. The theme was simple yet deeply evocative: draw your favourite cartoon character. What it stirred in all of us, however, was far from ordinary.

I chose to draw the Powerpuff Girls—those tiny yet mighty icons of childhood, guardians of justice and glittering innocence. As I sat on the first bench, a humble distance from the board but close enough to feel the heart of the room's hum, I was wrapped in an almost surreal wave of joy. Everyone around me seemed to glow with a soft inner light, like flickers of forgotten cartoons replaying in the corners of their minds. There was a shared remembrance in the air, an invisible string connecting us through past screens and cherished Saturday mornings.

Each student was given a blank sheet—a plain white canvas that somehow felt full of promise, as though the paper itself waited with bated breath to hold our dreams. Crayons, pencils, and markers became our wands, and for that fleeting sliver of time, we were all storytellers once more. The classroom buzzed—not merely with chatter, but with something deeper: an atmosphere woven with nostalgia, warmth, and innocent excitement.

The sunlight filtering through the windows seemed especially golden that day, as if even nature had decided to participate. The walls, usually silent witnesses to academic routines, now listened in on giggles and light-hearted jokes, many sparked by the comically imaginative drawings filling the room. Some sketches were hilariously abstract—a charming chaos of colour and effort—but that only

made them more precious. They were sincere. They were real. They were childhood in motion.

Amidst it all, I remained anchored in my task, completely immersed—like a painter lost in a dream only they could see. Focusing wasn't easy with so much colour and life unfolding around me, yet I found a rhythm within the chaos. My goal was never to win; it was simply to bring the Powerpuff Girls to life as they existed in my younger imagination—courageous, vibrant, and full of meaning. By the end, I felt content. The drawing became a portal; a piece of my heart pressed gently onto paper.

Though it was just a school competition, it felt like so much more. It felt like a celebration—not only of art, but of who we were, who we are, and the little characters who grew up beside us through glowing screens. That day, the classroom transformed into a gallery of dreams, a theatre of emotion, and above all, a reminder that we all carry a child within us—one who laughs, colours outside the lines, and remembers.

And I loved it.

Dana Saji Babu
Pre-IG



AI in Studies: A Boon or a Curse?

Can a machine really help us learn better, or does it make us depend too much on technology? Artificial Intelligence has quickly become a part of students' daily lives, changing the way we study, revise, and complete assignments.

On the positive side, AI can be a powerful learning tool. It explains difficult topics in clear and simple language, provides quick summaries, and offers practice questions. When used wisely, AI helps students study smarter, not harder, by focusing on understanding rather than memorization. This can save time and reduce stress, especially during exams.

However, AI also has its drawbacks. If students rely on it too much, they may stop thinking for themselves. This can weaken critical thinking and problem-solving skills. Copying answers without understanding the topic can also harm real learning and academic honesty.

Therefore, AI should be used responsibly. It should support learning, help clear doubts, and improve revision, but never replace personal effort and independent thinking.

In conclusion, AI is neither completely a boon nor a curse. There is nothing wrong with using AI in studies, if it is used wisely. When balanced with hard work and self-thinking, AI can become a valuable tool for student success.

Fakhruddin Patwa
IG 1-A



Her Teen Struggles

She was always called pretty
And her name even meant beauty
Being slightly overweight is not a crime
She didn't have to look perfect all the time.

Dark is just a complexion
Skin colour shouldn't result in rejection
Beauty is not in being 'lovely and fair'
She tells, "Don't build vain castles in the air."

She was always called smart
Wisdom was buried deep in her heart
Depressed was she to fall below the benchmark
She lost all her joy and all her spark.

She tells herself, "Appearances are often deceptive"
And tries to look at life with a wider perspective.

Joanna Bobben
AS Level



I KNEW YOU

Why do I hate someone I've never known?
I have hated you for as long as I can remember.
Can't seem to remember why
I've dulled down the reason to annoyance
You were very annoying
But I thought some more,
Why do I have this great disdain for you?
I thought deeply and for a while nothing came up,
No more reasons.
And a few months later

It hit me.
I don't know you
I know nothing of which to hate anymore
We might have known each other at one point
But as time came and went, and we stopped inter-
acting
I had no memories left, only feelings
And they persisted despite not knowing
Now, I don't hate you as much...
I just don't know you and I accept that.

Kareema Ololade
IG-2



Education

The feelings I have bottled up
I must convert them into motivation and discipline
And sometimes it feels impossible.
How?
Just how?
Am I meant to be studious, hard-working, filial, friendly, and always smiling?
How dare YOU?
Why do you have expectations that I'm expected to achieve?
Please!
Praying on my downfall

Hoping for better
Wallowing in stress
Realizing that working now is better than regretting later
Procrastinating will lead you to a miserable future
A future that can and should be prevented
So, help me God
I want to be supercalifragilisticexpialidocious in MY future.

Khadijah Oluwakemi
IG-2



Letters between the Laps

School pressure. Loud engines. Heavy expectations.

The corridor was quiet as students rushed home the moment the bell rang, when the last few voices fade, light footsteps clicking on the floor and the echoes stay behind. My heart felt heavy thinking of the many unfinished chapters, practice laps, and constant ticking of deadlines as days flashed by. The inter-school go-karting race was three days away and our final exams were due the same week. Everyone kept saying, "You're lucky; you're good at both. So talented!" But it didn't feel like luck. I felt like a rope who was being pulled from the two ends.

I opened my locker at the end of the day, expecting my regular textbooks to be neatly stacked. But this time, there was something more, a small folded paper: no name, no sign. Just a neat handwriting:

"You don't always have to win, just don't give up"

My heart paused for a second. I read it twice. I didn't tell anyone about it. Not even Ruhi, my best friend, who sat beside me in class and had noticed my mood change faster than the lap timer at the track.

"You okay?" she asked during recess that day.

"Yeah!" I said with the sort of smile that clearly showed that I didn't want to be questioned any further.

That evening at practice, the track lights glowed like shining stars in the sky. My hands tightened around the steering wheel as I raced forward, but my thoughts roared louder than the engine. One slow turn. One late reaction. Coach called out timings. I was slower than yesterday.

When I got home, I was welcomed by my books lying open on my desk. I stared at graphs and formulas until they blurred, making me dizzy. For a moment, I wondered which world I was failing more, classroom or track?

The next day, another note appeared. This one was carefully tucked between my notebooks.

"You are allowed to be tired. You are allowed to lose. Strength doesn't disappear when you pause."

Something inside my chest softened. The letters sounded like someone who understood the noises in my head that kept bothering me. Still, I couldn't guess who it was...

On the morning of the race, the sky was a pale gold. The sun was blocked by the clouds; the view was breathtaking. I slipped the helmet over my head, took a deep breath and pulled the glass visor down. The world narrowed into one small frame in front of my eyes. Before I left for the pit lane, I stopped at my bag as I was certain I saw something flat and white poking out of it. To my surprise, a third letter awaited me. However, this time, the words felt more personal, almost like someone could read my mind.

"You don't have to carry this alone. Even if you lose, someone is always rooting for you".

I slipped the note into my pocket and headed to the track. Engines roared. Tires screeched. Sunlight shimmered across the curved edges of the track. I stood at the starting line; my gloved hands steady on the wheel. And when the checkered flag was waved, I didn't think about winning. I thought only about trying my best.

I didn't win the race. I came close enough to feel proud but not perfect. After the race, Ruhi ran over to congratulate me as always.

"You did great!" she said.

I laughed softly, "Someone's been giving me really good motivational tips lately."

She raised an eyebrow, "Who?"

I pulled out the folded letters from my pocket. Her smile froze, just for a second. And that was when I noticed it. The curve of the letters. The small, stylish font. The familiar handwriting.

"You write these." I said gently. She didn't deny it.

"I didn't want you to feel like I was fixing things for you," she murmured. "I just...knew you wouldn't open up, so I decided to write the kind of things I'd want someone to tell me."

For the first time in weeks, my heart felt lighter, not because it disappeared, but because I realized I hadn't been carrying it alone.

"Next time," I said, "you don't have to be anonymous."

She shrugged, "Maybe I will, because sometimes the best support doesn't need a name."

And for the first time, I believed it, winning wasn't the only kind of victory.

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The School That Wasn't on the Map

The school appeared on a Monday.

It stood at the end of a narrow road that had always been empty, a place people passed without thinking. Now there was a tall iron gate, a stone building behind it, and a sign that read Ravenhall Academy. No one remembered seeing it being built, but by the end of the day, students were already transferring there.

At first, it seemed normal. The building looked old but well-kept. Teachers spoke politely about it. Some students said they knew people who had already moved there.

But when someone tried to look it up, nothing appeared. No website. No address. No records.

A week later, students who transferred to Ravenhall stopped responding to messages. Their desks at their old schools were quietly removed. Teachers hesitated when asked about them, as if searching for memories that no longer existed.

That's when I decided to go.

The gates were unlocked. The halls were silent except for footsteps that didn't sound like my own. Every classroom looked strangely familiar, as if I had seen it in a dream. The lockers were scratched with names I almost recognized.

I entered an empty classroom and froze. My name was carved into the desk. Below it was a date, ten years from now.

My chest tightened. I backed away, telling myself it was a coincidence, a prank, anything but what it felt like.

Then I heard someone behind me.

A student stood in the doorway, smiling politely. "You're late," they said.

I stared at their face, finally realizing why it felt familiar.

It was one of the students who had transferred.

"I was wondering when you'd come back," they added.

Before I could ask what they meant, the bell rang.

And suddenly, I remembered sitting in this classroom before.

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Bullying Stops Here: Protecting Minds, Building Respect

Bullying is more than just teasing—it is a pervasive psychological and social problem that undermines students' mental health, self-esteem, and academic progress. Whether through verbal insults, physical aggression, social exclusion, or cyber harassment, bullying fosters fear, anxiety, and emotional distress. Victims often feel isolated, depressed, socially withdrawn, and powerless, with prolonged exposure sometimes resulting in long-term psychological consequences or self-harm.

Stopping bullying requires deliberate, evidence-based strategies. Schools must cultivate a culture of empathy, respect, and accountability through clear anti-bullying policies, awareness programs, and accessible psychological support for both victims and aggressors. Peer-led initiatives and restorative practices empower bystanders to intervene constructively and break cycles of aggression. Sustained awareness

campaigns and behavioural interventions can create an inclusive, safe environment where every student feels valued and supported. Only through such comprehensive efforts can bullying be effectively stopped, safeguarding students' psychological well-being and holistic development.

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Anti-Bullying: Why It Matters More Than We Think

Bullying isn't just "teasing" or "kids being kids." It is a pattern of intentional hurt—through words, actions, exclusion, or even silence—that makes someone feel small, unsafe, or unwelcome. It might look like constant criticism disguised as jokes, classmates gossiping, people mocking someone's interests, or passive-aggressive comments like "You're too sensitive" or "Relax, it was just a joke." But for the person on the receiving end, these behaviours can chip away at confidence, sense of belonging, and mental well-being. And the impact doesn't always fade with time; many individuals carry the emotional scars into adulthood, shaping how they see themselves and the world.

Students thrive when their environment lifts them instead of tearing them down—and each of us plays a part in creating that environment. Preventing bullying isn't only about reacting once harm is done; it is about building a culture where kindness is normal and cruelty isn't entertained. That means speaking up when something feels wrong, refusing to laugh at "jokes" that target someone, checking in on friends who seem withdrawn, and including those who are often left out. Schools and universities can also encourage peer-support programs, promote open communication with counsellors, and teach emotional intelligence so students learn how to handle conflict without hurting others.

Most importantly, prevention starts with self-awareness: noticing how our own words land and choosing empathy over ego. Bullying won't disappear overnight, but every conscious step makes a difference. When students stand together, challenge harmful behaviour, and choose compassion, educational spaces become safer, stronger, and more supportive for everyone.

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“सर्दियों का प्यारा संसार”

सुनहरी धूप, ठंडी हवा,
बरफ़ की चादर जमी हुई धरा।
पेड़ों पर फिर से पाले का श्रृंगार,
सर्दियों का है यह प्यारा संसार।

गर्म कंबल, अंगीठी की आग,
मीठा गाजर का हलवा लाजवाब।
मस्तानी पतंग आसमान में उड़ती,
दिल में बसती है मस्ती सुकून की।

रजाई में दुबके, आँखें मूँदे,
सपनों के संग हम खो जायें कहीं।
प्रकृति का यह सुंदर उपहार,
जीवन में लाता नया, अपार विस्तार।

विद्यार्थी के जीवन में माता-पिता और शिक्षकों की भूमिका

“माता-पिता जीवन की पहली पाठशाला होते हैं और शिक्षक ज्ञान के दीपक।”

विद्यार्थी का जीवन एक कोमल पौधे जैसा होता है। माता-पिता उसकी जड़ों को संस्कारों से सींचते हैं और शिक्षक उसे ज्ञान की रोशनी देते हैं।

माता-पिता हमें प्यार, विश्वास और सही-गलत की पहचान सिखाते हैं। वे हमारे हर सपने को समझते हैं और हर कदम पर हमारा सहारा बनते हैं।

“माता-पिता संस्कार देते हैं, शिक्षक ज्ञान देते हैं — दोनों मिलकर भविष्य बनाते हैं।”

शिक्षक हमें सीखना, सोच-समझकर आगे बढ़ना और मेहनत करना सिखाते हैं। वे हमारी गलतियों को सुधारकर हमें बेहतर इंसान बनाते हैं।

“शिक्षक हमें उड़ना सिखाते हैं और माता-पिता हमें गिरने से बचाते हैं।”

माता-पिता और शिक्षक हमारे जीवन के दो मज़बूत स्तंभ हैं। उनके मार्गदर्शन से ही हम अच्छे विद्यार्थी और अच्छे इंसान बनते हैं।



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मेरे प्रिय पिताजी

पिताजी!!! आखिर क्या हैं पिताजी? पिताजी की मौजूदगी एक सूरज की तरह होती है। सूरज गर्म ज़रूर होता है, मगर सूरज न हो तो अंधेरा छा जाता है। कुछ ऐसे ही हैं मेरे पिताजी। गर्मी हो या सर्दी, अपने बच्चे के लिए हमेशा परेशान रहते हैं पिताजी।

मेरा यकीन करें, पिताजी दुनिया के एक ऐसे भले व्यक्ति हैं, जो खुद से भी ज़्यादा अपने बच्चों को कामयाब देखना चाहते हैं। पिताजी माँ के कहने पर थोड़ा गुस्सा ज़रूर करते हैं, लेकिन मुझे पता है कि वह मुझसे बहुत प्यार करते हैं। मेरे पिताजी बहुत ही सीधे-सादे और सच्चे व्यक्ति हैं। वह हर किसी की मदद करने के लिए हमेशा तैयार रहते हैं। वह मुझसे और मेरे परिवार से बहुत प्यार करते हैं।

मेरे पिताजी घर में किसी तरह की कमी नहीं होने देते। अगर मुझसे कोई गलती हो जाए, तो वह एक मित्र की तरह मुझे समझाते हैं। मेरे पिताजी मेरे गुरु हैं, मेरे हीरो हैं और मेरे सबसे अच्छे मित्र हैं। इसलिए मैं अपने पिताजी से बहुत प्यार करती हूँ।



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सबसे बड़ा इनाम

माधव आठवीं कक्षा का सबसे बेहतरीन कलाकार था। हर कोई उसके चित्रों की प्रशंसा करता था, लेकिन माधव अपनी कला को लेकर बहुत सतर्क रहता था। वह अपनी महँगी पेंट और खास ब्रश कभी किसी के साथ साझा नहीं करता था।

एक दिन, स्कूल ने पुरानी लाइब्रेरी की दीवार पर भित्ति चित्र बनाने की प्रतियोगिता की घोषणा की। विजेता को पेशेवर आर्ट सप्लाई का एक बिल्कुल नया सेट मिलने वाला था। माधव ने एक हफ्ते तक मेहनत करके एक सुंदर पहाड़ का रेखाचित्र तैयार किया। उसे पूरा यकीन था कि वही जीतेगा।

प्रतियोगिता के दिन, सिद्धार्थ नाम के एक नए छात्र का पैर फिसल गया और गलती से माधव के स्केच पर पानी गिर गया। कागज पूरी तरह खराब हो गया। माधव को बहुत गुस्सा आया।

"तुमने यह जानबूझकर किया है ←→ वह चिल्लाया।

सिद्धार्थ ने बार-बार माफी मांगी, लेकिन माधव ने उसकी एक न सुनी।

उसी दोपहर, माधव ने सिद्धार्थ को दीवार के पास बैठे देखा। सिद्धार्थ पेंटिंग करने की कोशिश कर रहा था, लेकिन उसके पास केवल एक सूखा हुआ ब्रश और सिर्फ तीन रंग थे। वह बहुत उदास दिख रहा था।

माधव ने अपने बैग की ओर देखा, जो चमकीले रंगों और मुलायम ब्रशों से भरा था। उसे अहसास हुआ कि भले ही उसका स्केच खराब हो गया था, लेकिन उसका हुनर और उसके औजार अभी भी उसके पास थे। सिद्धार्थ के पास तो लगभग कुछ भी नहीं था।

माधव चलकर सिद्धार्थ के पास गया और उसे अपना सबसे अच्छा नीला रंग और एक साफ ब्रश दिया।

"यह लो," माधव ने कहा। "चलो, मिलकर दीवार को पेंट करते हैं। →

उन्होंने पूरा दिन मिलकर एक विशाल और रंगीन जंगल बनाने में बिताया। वह अकेले पहाड़ के चित्र से कहीं ज्यादा सुंदर लग रहा था। उन्हें प्रतियोगिता का पुरस्कार तो नहीं मिला, लेकिन उन्हें सबसे अच्छे दोस्त मिल गए।

शिक्षा: दयालुता और मित्रता किसी भी पुरस्कार से कहीं अधिक मूल्यवान होती हैं।



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✿माँ-पिता ✿

माँ ने अपने सपनों को
हमारी नींद के हवाले कर दिया,
पिता ने अपनी खामोशी से
डर को हमारे रास्ते से हटा दिया।

माँ की हथेलियों में बसती है
दुनिया की सबसे सच्ची दुआ,
पिता की अथक मेहनत में बसते हैं
हमारे भविष्य के सारे ख़्वाब।

माँ बिना कहे समझ जाती है,
पिता बिना थके निभाते हैं
एक जीवन को सहेजता है आँचल,
दूजा उसे उड़ना सिखाता है।

जो प्रेम शब्दों में न ढले,
वही माँ-पिता का प्यार है,
इन्हीं से जीवन का अर्थ बना,
इन्हीं से हर पहचान है।



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Building a Positive Personality Through Connection and Communication

Cheerful and influential personality does not develop in a day; it needs efforts from childhood and front-runs to change with growth of a person and with their experiences, and hence it gradually develops. Psychological behaviour plays a vital role in getting success; second is your attitude and knowledge. For a positive personality, avoid living in isolation. Many students and employees live away from their family and friends, even parents support them as to keep them away from the household chores, but it involuntarily affects your mental growth. One should make friends, live happily, and cheerfully; as a result, it will give you mental peace and reduce anxiety. With increasing globalization and new opportunities of employment, professionalism is adapted everywhere. Physical charm cannot develop a good character, well-mannered personality, and disciplined mind, but it can be developed by interacting positively and cheerfully with people without being judgemental.

Enjoy the language:

The second important segment of a good personality is to be a good communicator. A proper knowledge and understanding of language can make your communication effective and successful. For the progress in your career and professional life, a proper acquaintance of communication is desirable to maintain good interpersonal relation at workplace along with one's personal life. Understanding of mother tongue, as well as other languages, has its own benefits. When it comes to learning English language, it has dominant place in global workforce. Cross-border business communication is conducted in English. As a result, it is the most spoken language in the world, widely accepted as an official language in several countries. English is a wonderful language; along with being flexible in nature, it integrates various influences and expresses sublimities of your thoughts. English accelerates to access incredible information which may not be obtainable otherwise.

"Be not the slave of words, don't let words scare you rather get hold on them and enjoy using them in speaking and writing."

Interpersonal communication:

The way you practise your interpersonal communication defines your personality effectively. Everyone expects to feel delighted from other's presence; so be the one to make them feel overjoyed. Interact calmly and cheerfully with people belonging to any age group or having different social status. During interpersonal communication, an individual should know about the thoughts they want to convey and its consequences.

In essence, a positive personality is cultivated through the consistent practice of meaningful interpersonal communication and authentic human connection. By engaging with empathy, active listening, and respectful dialogue, individuals not only strengthen their relationships but also refine their emotional intelligence and self-awareness. Thus, communication becomes not merely a social skill, but a transformative force in shaping character and fostering personal growth.

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CULTIVATING HUMAN VALUES IS BETTER THAN BEING PERFECT

In life, all that we seek is perfection: the perfect date, the perfect wedding, the perfect career, and the perfect person. But shouldn't perfection be cultivated? What defines perfection? How is imperfection bad? And does the perfection have all the virtues and imperfections all the vices? Even more lame is people being termed 'abnormal,' especially when they suffer mental or physical disabilities. In the very first place, what do we mean by normal? Humans are not normal or abnormal; they are just different and each one of us is an innovative creation of God. Yes, some people may have disabilities but that does not mean that they are abnormal. If that's the case, each one of us is abnormal in some way or the other.

Those who claim to be perfect do they even possess basic human values. The so-called abnormal people just interpret life in a different way than what we may think. In reality no one is perfect, not even the all-rounders. No man can be completely wise just like a person cannot be foolish. We are born to be humans, not perfect.

Perfection lies in accepting yourself and life as it is. And maybe the so-called abnormal people are the happiest being for they are completely in their own world. Unlike the perfect ones who cannot even accept themselves, yet they are smart enough to fake it. Can't we just be good and compassionate human beings we often hear that one must practices one's religion, but if we are not good humans then connecting oneself with something closer to the divine can be difficult. There is perfection even in sadness and sometimes it's better than faking happiness which often blooms to vanish



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कृत्रिम बुद्धिमत्ता का नैतिक उपयोग

कृत्रिम बुद्धिमत्ता (AI) आज शिक्षा के क्षेत्र में तेजी से अपनी जगह बना रही है। पाठ योजना बनाने से लेकर व्यक्तिगत सीखने (personalized learning) तक, AI शिक्षकों और छात्रों दोनों के लिए अनेक अवसर लेकर आया है। हालांकि, इसके साथ कुछ महत्वपूर्ण नैतिक प्रश्न और जिम्मेदारियाँ भी जुड़ी हुई हैं।

सबसे पहले यह समझना आवश्यक है कि AI द्वारा दिए गए उत्तर हमेशा सटीक नहीं होते। AI बड़े डेटा पर आधारित होता है और कभी-कभी अधूरी, पुरानी या गलत जानकारी भी प्रस्तुत कर सकता है। इसलिए शिक्षकों और छात्रों दोनों को AI से प्राप्त सामग्री को अंतिम सत्य नहीं मानना चाहिए। शोध, तथ्यों और अकादमिक कार्यों की दोबारा जाँच (double check) करना अनिवार्य है, विशेषकर प्रोजेक्ट, असाइनमेंट और परीक्षाओं से जुड़े मामलों में।

इसके बावजूद, यदि सही तरीके से उपयोग किया जाए तो AI छात्रों के लिए अत्यंत लाभकारी सिद्ध होता है। यह जटिल विषयों को सरल भाषा में समझाने, अभ्यास प्रश्न तैयार करने, त्वरित फीडबैक देने और अलग-अलग सीखने की गति वाले छात्रों की सहायता करने में मदद करता है। इससे छात्र आत्मनिर्भर बनते हैं और उनकी सीखने की रुचि भी बढ़ती है।

लेकिन इस पूरे परिदृश्य में शारीरिक (मानवीय) शिक्षक की भूमिका अत्यंत महत्वपूर्ण बनी रहती है। शिक्षक न केवल ज्ञान प्रदान करते हैं, बल्कि नैतिक मूल्यों, आलोचनात्मक सोच, संवेदनशीलता और अनुशासन का भी मार्गदर्शन करते हैं। AI भावनाओं को समझने, कक्षा की गतिशीलता को महसूस करने और व्यक्तिगत प्रेरणा देने में शिक्षक का स्थान नहीं ले सकता। AI शिक्षक का सहायक होना चाहिए, प्रतिस्थापक नहीं।

AI के नैतिक उपयोग के लिए कुछ सुरक्षा उपाय (safeguards) आवश्यक हैं। जैसे—स्पष्ट दिशानिर्देश कि AI का उपयोग कहाँ और कैसे किया जा सकता है, छात्रों की डेटा गोपनीयता की रक्षा, साहित्यिक चोरी (plagiarism) से बचाव के लिए टूल्स का प्रयोग, और शिक्षकों के लिए AI साक्षरता प्रशिक्षण। साथ ही, छात्रों को भी यह सिखाया जाना चाहिए कि AI एक सहायक उपकरण है, विकल्प नहीं।

निष्कर्षतः, जब AI का उपयोग विवेकपूर्ण और नैतिक ढंग से किया जाए, तब यह शिक्षा को अधिक समावेशी, प्रभावी और आधुनिक बना सकता है, जहाँ तकनीक और शिक्षक मिलकर छात्रों के सर्वांगीण विकास में योगदान दें। इसी संतुलन ही भविष्य की शिक्षा की कुंजी है।



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अभी, पराजित नहीं हूँ मैं।

जा कर कह दो कठिन समय से,
अभी, पराजित नहीं हूँ मैं।

माना कि हाथ बंधे हुए हैं,
रह गए तीर सब साधे हुए।
आँखें हुई हैं मेरी बोझिल,
अभी, हौसलों से रिवत नहीं हूँ मैं।

जा कर कह दो कठिन समय से,
अभी, पराजित नहीं हूँ मैं।

माना जलते हुए मंजर देखे हैं,
अपनों के हाथों में खंजर देखे हैं।
कदम-कदम मेरा भारी है,
अभी, संघर्षों से अपरिचित नहीं हूँ मैं।

जा कर कह दो कठिन समय से,
अभी, पराजित नहीं हूँ मैं।

भाभ्य-दुर्भाभ्य क्या होता है,
कर्महीन नर ही रोता है।
आने वाला कल है हाथों में,
अभी, प्रारब्ध के आश्रित नहीं हूँ मैं।

जा कर कह दो कठिन समय से,
अभी, पराजित नहीं हूँ मैं।

माना समय-चक्र न बंधता है,
कर्मठ मानव कब थगता है।
अजय मनोबल है मेरा,
अभी, विभाजित नहीं हूँ मैं।

जा कर कह दो कठिन समय से,
अभी, पराजित नहीं हूँ मैं।

माना तपकर कुंदन सा बनना है,
भाभ्य-भाल पर बनकर चंदन लगना है।
राहु का ग्रहण लगे जिस पर,
अभी, इतना भी शापित नहीं हूँ मैं।

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युवाओं के लिए संदेश:

"सीखने की प्रक्रिया को कभी रुकने न दें, क्योंकि शिक्षा ही वह निवेश है जो आपको जीवन भर सम्मान और सफलता का मुनाफा देगा। →

शिक्षा वह अनमोल निवेश है जो आपको जीवन भर सफलता का मुनाफा देती रहेगी, इसलिए सीखना कभी बंद न करें। →

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