THE GAZETTE





"A leader is the one who knows the way, goes the way, and shows the way." – John C.

Maxwell

GD Goenka's motto is to create leaders of tomorrow and there is a special ceremony that turns it into reality. For us, Investiture Ceremony is not just about providing titles, but about conferring responsibilities to the students, to take charge of the school and take it to the height they desire with their leadership and decision–making skills, communication, and teamwork.

Council members are inducted every year through a formal investiture ceremony. The objective behind the student council is to inculcate leadership qualities and team spirit through real-time practice. Through such practices, the students learn to take up responsibility for their school and fellow mates and learn important life lessons. The celebration on that very day makes every child who is elected feel proud and embarks on their journey to become leaders of tomorrow.

At this ceremony, a school prefectorial board is formed after scrutinous interviewing and selection which gives them a feel of the functioning of an official administrative body. The selected students are honored with their respective badges such as Head Girl, Head Boy, Sports Captain, and the student council members take an oath to faithfully work for the school.

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NEWLY ELECTED STUDENT COUNCIL: 2021-22

HEAD BOY	UTKRISHT PARMAR	HEAD GIRL	RITIKA CHAUDHARY
SPORTS PREFECT	NEELAY JAIN	CULTURAL PREFECT	HARSHIT SARDA
TERESA HOUSE CAPTAIN	MANAS CHANDRAKAR	VICE HOUSE CAPTAIN	PALAK SHUKLA
TAGORE HOUSE CAPTAIN	SHIKHA CHAUDHARY	VICE HOUSE CAPTAIN	DHRUVI SOMANI
VIVEKANAND HOUSE CAPTAIN	VAISHNAVI CHHABRA	VICE HOUSE CAPTAIN	ANANYA PARMAR
RADHAKRISHNAN HOUSE CAPTAIN	ARNAV SAHU	VICE HOUSE CAPTAIN	ARAINA SONI
	ACADEMIC PREFECT	MAHAK GUPTA	

The Investiture Ceremony for the academic year 2021–22 was held on the 23rd of July 2021. The ceremony began with the recitation of the holy shlok.

Names of the newly elected council members were announced by the senior coordinator, Ms. Ritu Adhikari.

The Oath taking ceremony was led by the Principal Ms. Jayshree Patel. She inspired and encouraged the elected leaders to be dutiful and responsible in her address to the gathering. She said: The essence of a democratic system lies in the sharing of power and responsibility with others. Responsibility and authority can be shared in a number of ways within the school system. It is in the school where the seeds of a democratic system must be sown. The school can create a real sense of appreciation for democratic norms by adopting them in its day-to-day life. Social and educational democracy should act as the roots of political democracy.

The vote of thanks was proposed by the head boy Utkrisht Parmar.



STUDENT COUNCIL ELECTION CAMPAIGN: TECH TOOL USED-PADLET

Student council election is a great opportunity for students to learn about democracy and the electoral process in India. The nominated students got a chance to introduce themselves to their juniors and got a chance to write and talk about the changes they will bring once they are elected. They campaigned through a tech tool called padlet where they voiced their motto and speech. Other students cheered them in the same tool and made an informed decision about whom to vote. Overall students enjoyed themselves and in the process learnt some important features of Indian democracy.





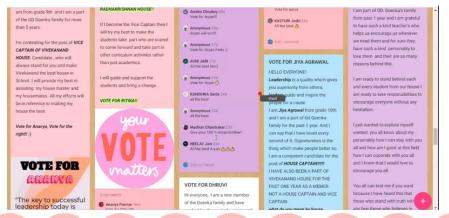












GLIMPSES OF HINDI WEEK



SABRANG UTSAV: Hindi Week

डॉ. सबरीना जाफ़री

छोटी-सी नैया लेकर, उतरे करने को उदधि पार | खुद ही सागर हो गए, बदल गयी हमारी जीवन धार |

मातृभाषा में माँ की-सी मिठास होती है | बच्चा इसमें अपनी कृतियाँ गढ़कर अभिव्यक्त कर सहज अनुभव करता है,किन्तु पिछले कई दिनों से कुछ ऐसी बयार चली है कि हिंदी अपना महत्त्व खोती चली जा रही है,किन्तु धारा से हटकर जी. डी. गोयंका पब्लिक स्कूल में हिंदी को भी उतना ही सम्मान प्राप्त है जितना कि शेष भाषाओं को | हिंदी के महत्त्व से सभी परिचित है परन्तु हमारे देश में बहुत से लोग ऐसे है जो हिंदी बोलने में शर्म महसूस करते है,ऐसी सोच रखने वाले लोगों को यह जानकारी होना चाहिए कि हिंदी एक ऐसी भाषा है जिसे सीखने यहाँ लोग लाखों रुपया खर्च करके भारत आते है,हिंदी के महत्त्व के लिए यह जानकारी काफी है। जी. डी. गोयंका पब्लिक स्कूल में हिंदी सप्ताह के रूप में सबरंग उत्सव का आयोजन किया | जिसमे बच्चों ने मातृभाषा के स्नेह के रंग में रंगकर अपना उल्लास व्यक्त किया | इसमें कई गतिविधियों का आयोजन किया गया जिसमें बुनो कविता ,बुनो कहानी ,वाद-विवाद, कविता पाठ ,दोहा पाठ,भाषण, पात्र-अभिनय,नाट्य रूपांतरण,बोलती फ़िल्में आदि | वर्तमान परिवर्तन को स्वीकार करते हुए बच्चों ने तकनीकि का उत्कृष्ट प्रयोग करते अपनी प्रतिभा सिद्ध की और आयोजन को सफल बनाया |

वक्त

अनमोल,कीमती, महत्वपूर्ण,बहुमूल्य जितना कहे कम है, क्योंकि वक्त एक ऐसी चीज है जिस पर संपूर्ण ब्रह्मांड निर्भर है। हमारे जीवन में सफलता का बहुत बड़ा रहस्य है --समय का सदुपयोग , जिसकी कला जीवन में बहुत महत्वपूर्ण होती है। अपने समय को सुनियोजित करना बहुत आवश्यक है जिसके लिए समय रहते वक्त की कीमत समझ कर समय का सदुपयोग करके हमें अपने जीवन में हर एक पल का आनंद उठाना चाहिए। सही वक्त पर सही निर्णय लेकर हम अपने उद्देश्य को प्राप्त कर सकते हैं। कभी-कभी जीवन में वक्त निकल जाता है और हम कुछ नहीं कर पाते पर तब भी हमें हिम्मत नहीं हारना चाहिए परंतु और समय ना नष्ट करते हुए बचे हुए समय को सार्थक बनाना चाहिए क्योंकि

> सुबह आती है रात गुजर जाने के बाद , फूल खिलते हैं पतझड़ के जाने के बाद, खुशी के पल आते हैं दुख का समय बीत जाने के बाद, चांद भी निकलता है सूरज ढल जाने के बाद,

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एक पल भी नहीं मिलता वक्त गुजर जाने के बाद, वक्त को ना हम रोक सकते हैं, ना थाम सकते हैं, ना बदल सकते हैं, बस समय का महत्व समझ कर सही इस्तेमाल करके अपने दृढ़ निश्चय, परिश्रम व काबिलियत से वक्त की परिभाषा बदल सकते हैं।

प्रीति आसुदानी

INTEGRATED CURRICULUM IN PRIMARY CLASSES: AN OVERVIEW

At GD Goenka we stress a lot on teaching pedagogies . Integrated curriculum is one of the methods we use in which teachers organize the curriculum around common learnings across disciplines.

BENEFITS OF INTEGRATED CURRICULUM

- Discourages rote learning.
- · Life at school gets linked to life outside school.
- · Serves as a connection between various curricular disciplines.
- · Develops higher-level thinking skills.
- · Children become active participants in learning and do not remain just receivers of standard learning.

ENGLISH

Children were engaged in relevant, meaningful activities that they could connect with real life. Students composed poems, songs related to water. They created posters on 'Save Water',' Uses of water',' Recycle water', listed new words which enhanced their vocabulary. The lesson was culminated by doing a Campaign on SAVE WATER in their condominium.

MATHS

Maths was integrated with Art and EVS through the Water Cycle activity on subtraction. Children drew water cycle, placed numbers in raindrops and did subtraction inside the pictures of fish, ships, and clouds. They colored the picture and made it an artistic work. They understood the concept of water cycle and subtraction at the same time.

HINDI

को–एकीकृत गतिविधि जल के अंतर्गत हिंदी में कविता पाठ का आयोजन किया गया,जिसमें छात्रों ने पानी से संबंधित कविताओं, गीतों की रचना की तथा जल संरक्षण व स्वछता पर नारा लेखन द्वारा बच्चों को जल के महत्त्व से परिचित करवाया गया | साथ ही वर्षा ऋतु के महत्त्व से भी अवगत करवाया गया | जहाँ बच्चों ने जल से सम्बंधित जानकारी प्राप्त की वहीं उनके शब्द भंडार में भी अभिवृद्धि हुई |

SANSKRIT

'आपः' या 'आपो देवता'

वेदों में 'जल' को देवता माना गया है।

यह सर्वविदित है जल ही जीवन है| जल की अनुपस्थिति में इस प्रथ्वी पर जीवन संभव ही नहीं है| हमारे शास्त्रों में जल की महिमा का गुणगान करते हुए कई संस्कृत श्लोक दिए गए हैं| इनमे से कुछ मुख्य जल से सम्बंधित संस्कृत श्लोक का छात्रों द्वारा प्रस्तुतिकरण किया जाएगा ।

SCIENCE

Students of grade-5 understood how underground water was drawn for irrigation using different methods. Learning the stem project students made WATER-WHEEL. Students in Grade-3 and 4 children did experiments based on the water cycle and how colored water transports through the stem to the parts of the flower making its petals colorful.





WE WELCOME ALL OUR NEW STUDENTS TO THE GD FAMILY





We have been continuing to grow very well in terms of the number of students and there is a significant increase in class strength across all Grades from Nur – Gr.12. It is also imperative to convey how important it is for us to grow GD Goenka, not just in sheer numbers, but also in the quality of families we expand with. Thanks to each one of you for your ongoing support and trust in us.





STUDENTS' CORNER



EVERYDAY YOGA

Yoga has been made an integral part of student's everyday routine. The day commences with a fifteen-minute yoga practice of asanas which includes sitting, standing, and laydown asanas, with an objective to have an optimistic and active mind at work.



The Virtual Mango Day Celebration came with a wave of excitement in the classroom as every child came dressed in yellow attire. The teachers took the opportunity to speak of different varieties of mangoes available in the Indian market. Children also learned that this is a major crop that adds to the economy of the country. The kids were made aware about, how farmers and industrial markets gain out of the mango business. Children celebrated the day by bringing different food items made from the fruit and

different types of Mangoes to the classroom. Students spoke extensively on their national fruit which they love so much!!

The celebration came to an end with different flavours of mangoes and variety of dishes made out of mangoes from every household to the classroom. Mango day filled the classroom with excitement and positivity.

STUDENTS' CORNER



SPECIAL ASSEMBLY

Technology has become an integral part of today's lives and the same was conveyed in a unique manner through a special assembly conducted by students of grade-4. The children talked about technology as a boon or bane. The objective is to make the budding users of technology understand the judicial use of it and realise that the excess of anything leads to damage.

PAPER BAG DAY

The 3R(s) Reduced, Reuse, and Recycle were the key concepts that were introduced on paper bag day.

Little Goenkans made amazing paper bags out of waste papers available at home. The kids enjoyed folding and sticking the newspaper and were happy to see the paper turn into a bag!

Children were encouraged to use paper bags instead of plastic bags and spread the same awareness in their surroundings.





WORLD POPULATION DAY

World Population Day (11 th July) seeks attention on the urgency and importance of population control solutions. In regard to this, poster making and slogan writing activities were conducted in Pre Primary Section where the children showcased their outstanding participation and creativity. And the slogans much complimented their posters to show their awareness for the need to protect Mother Nature. The main objective of this program was to make children understand that" Excess of anything can lead to malignant outcomes.

STUDENTS' CORNER



DOCTOR'S DAY

This Doctors Day was considered one of the important days to be recognised at GD Goenka, where each and every member of the GD family came together to thank and pay tribute to all the doctors who lost their lives in trying to save other's lives because of the Wuhan virus.

Children came dressed in white coats to honor our doctors. They also made drawings and paintings showing the doctors controlling the virus and save many lives.

The event ended with children thanking the doctors in their own way by either saluting or offering flowers or saying a word of thanks to the doctors all over the world!





Nature's Day was observed on July the 28th amongst the tiny tots, with an intent to raise global awareness and to take positive environmental measures to protect mother nature and the planet. The pre primary classes were involved in a series of activities which included, role plays, planting of saplings, special assemblies and making the best out of waste. Children were taught about, the need to conserve our environment and make this planet the best place to live in. The event concluded successfully with whole hearted participation and the learnings about nature, plants and Earth.