

Scouts and Guides create eco-friendly Ganesha idols

On August 24, 2022, the school held an 'eco-friendly' Ganesha-making contest for the Bharat Scouts and Guides of classes VI to VIII. A number of patrols from both Scouts and Guides participated in the contest and came up with outstanding results.

Products like dough, turmeric, flowers, fruits and vegetables were used by the

AIR FORCE SCHOOL HEBBAL

children to create their models. Every person from each patrol put in their best creative cap to bring out their model. The children thoroughly enjoyed meddling with natural projects to make the best model of Ganesha.

The creative models were then exhibited for the entire school.

Such contests brings a lot of hope and promise that the future generation could celebrate Ganesha festival using natural products. The principal and teachers encouraged the children to take up more such eco-friendly activities.

Eva Raj, class VII



INVESTITURE CEREMONY

The 32nd investiture ceremony for the academic session 2022-23 was organised for the leaders to take charge formally. Chairman F A Kudroli pinned with badges, which the leaders and members of

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the four houses received with great enthusiasm. They promised to uphold the spirit of unity, honesty, equality, impartiality, morality in all their activities. They pledged to carry out their duties with sincerity



while keeping in mind the values they have been taught by their teachers.

Students' council secretary Sai

Siddharth, cultural secretary Maaz Hamid Manna, school captain Nadia Ali and House co-ordinator Sakshi Praveen spoke passionately about dif-

ferent topics.

Congratulating the leaders, the chairman stressed on the importance of being disciplined and focused to achieve success at any level. He also praised their confidence, their body language and their fluency in their speeches and promised to interact with them.

The lively song rendered with obvious enjoyment added flavour to the programme "O meri laadli pyari behna".

It was a memorable afternoon. The cabinet members and the house captains had a great time and will definitely cherish the memories for a long time.

Principal Grp Capt Pratibha Bisht presented a school memento to the chief guest. School captain cadet Raghavendra Jamadar proposed the vote of thanks.

Earlier the smartly turned out senior cadets presented the Guard of Honour to the Chief Guest. AVM PK Ghosh also paid floral tributes to the martyrs by laying wreath at the Remembrance Sthal.

Vice Principal Commander Suruchi Gaur, Administrative Officer Squadron Leader Akash Vats, senior master C Rama Rao, academic and administrative staff were present on the occasion. Parents of the appointment holders also witnessed the investiture ceremony.



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SAINIK SCHOOL BIJAPUR

of Administration, Sainik School Bijapur, was the chief guest on the occasion. He pinned the epaulettes to the newly appointed school prefects. He also administered the oath to the appointments in a solemn manner.

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ly appointed prefects to explore the potentials of their followers and strive to excel through team building. He emphasised that good followers make good leaders and therefore one has to follow the value system, ethics, principles,

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TEACHER'S DAY

ST JOSEPH'S BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL



It takes a big heart and a special person to be a beloved Teacher!

The morning at school began on a note of underlying excitement through the corridors of the school. Students anxiously waited to wish their teachers, some with roses and the others with cards or chocolates. The exhilaration continued as the programme commenced. There were adorable action songs by the juniors and songs, speeches, poems, dances and skits by the seniors.

The teachers were thoroughly entertained by the students. Principal Fr Sunil Fernandes SJ, re-iterated that there would be no school without students and teachers. Expressing gratitude for the hard work, dedication and sincerity of the staff, he counselled students to listen to their teachers' advice, which would go a long way to mold, shape and fashion their future! The festivities continued out of school as the PTA took over the celebrations.

DEAR TEACHERS

Today is 5th September
A day to definitely remember

Today is celebration
As our teachers are full of dedication

You help us to be a topper
And you guide us to be proper

You are amazing and never
earn hate

Punctuality is always your
trait

You always inspire
That's what we admire

Very talented and Unique
You always love to speak

Excellent interest u show
And you help children with their flow

You always have a plan
And make us say "We can!"

You're a multitasking educational
Rockstar

Shaping our future to reach
the stars

You're the supporting pillars
of our society

Very encouraging and
mighty

You spend your quality time

with us
The efforts and trust you invest in us

You're a really nice human
being

Always there for our well
being

You push us to do extraordinary
tasks in our life

And we show gratitude
learning to strive

The greatest act of optimism
will always be teaching

And you illuminate a soul
with its light which is amazing

This poem is not enough to
fully define you

No words can completely
describe you

You are the best teachers
who teach from your heart

And not from the book
which is an art

You've really made a great
& selfless contribution

And we express our heart-felt
feelings with a heartfelt dedication.

Yalini S, class XI, DPS Whitefield.

FESTIVE CELEBRATIONS



Krishna Krishna Hare Hare!

Krishna Janmashtami was celebrated on August 19 with great pomp and festivity. The students of primary wing upheld the culture and tradition of India, with the young

SOUNDARYA STATE SCHOOL

Radhas and Krishnas the attraction of the day. The students put up a splendid programme that was entertaining for all.



The school celebrated Krishna Janmashtami festival with love and devotion on August 19, 2022. Students Mohammed Zain and Lekhana of class IX and Akshay and Mehek of class VIII played the role of Krishna and Radha during the celebrations.

RAINTREE SCHOOLS, JAYANAGAR AND MYSORE ROAD



The school celebrated Krishna Janmashtami on August 18, 2022. The programme started with a welcome speech by Yella Vaishnavi of class VI. Sharvari of class V spoke about the importance of Krishna Janmashtami. Students sang a song on Lord Krishna. Class 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th students performed a

CHINMAYA VIDYALAYA, BANASHANKARI

beautiful dance and also class 6th played a skit on Lord Krishna. Vote of thanks by Swashika of 7th std.

Festive spirit spreads cheer and joy as schools celebrate various festivals



Sri Krishna Janmashtami was celebrated at school with great vibrancy. Students and teachers were dressed in blue traditional attire. A special assembly, depicting the birth and life of Lord Krishna, was held. Students spoke about the birth of Krishna. Girls danced to songs dedicated to

SHIKSHA SAGAR HIGH SCHOOL

Lord Krishna. The highlight of the celebration was the breaking of the symbolic Dahi Handi. The speciality of this year was that girls also participated in this event.



AIR FORCE SCHOOL, ASTE

On August 18, 2022, the students celebrated Janmashtami with great enthusiasm and zeal. They won the soul of spectators by dressing in the attire of Krishna, Gopikas. The cute little ones added a traditional touch to the entire celebrations when they danced to the beat of Janmashtami songs and sang songs that showed the de-

votion to Krishna, filling the air with joy and festive spirit. It also created awareness about Indian traditions, our customs and culture. It conveyed the strong message of the victory of good over evil.



"Sri Krishna Govind hare murari hey nath narayan vasureva..." with the same hymn and devotion, students celebrated Krishna Janmashtami on August 19. Munchkins of the primary section dressed up as Lord Krishna and Radha for the day. The observance of the day was explained

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and followed by a devotional song. Young devotees of senior grades presented a dance performance depicting Krishna Leela. Enthusiasts spoke about the festival.



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Chairman A Subramanya, secretary Manjula

M S V PUBLIC SCHOOL

Subramanya, vice-chairman Swaroop S, administrator Nayana Swaroop and principal. Remya B V were present on the occasion. Parents were also invited to witness the programme.

The school celebrated Ganesh Chaturthi on September 1, 2022.

The master of ceremony was Disha Rao of class VIII. The programme began with a prayer by Rajeev and Surya, pledge by Meghana and thought by Gautam SH. Rajeev Talupuru and Raunak Bharathi gave some interesting information about Ganesh Chaturthi and eco-friendly Ganesha idols. There was a wonderful dance by Ahanya and Vidula. When



you sing spiritual songs, you can help to quiet the mind so that the heart can open to the

divine, allowing us to understand and merge with blissful reality. In order to support

DELHI PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

this, we had a song by our class II students. We also had a skit with an awesome rendition by Kushal Surajkar, Hitesh Rathore, Hema, Gowtham R, and Deepanshu Sharma. The programme ended with a Ganesh Stuthi by Prakruthi.



Honour Roll August 2022

The Times NIE Honour Roll contest recognises regular contributions from students on the website and awards certificates to top contributors every month. You could be the next to feature here! Log on to our website www.toistudent.com, register and start sending your entries.

Kamakshi Kannan, class VIII, Sherwood High Bannerghatta Road - Silver award winner

Ujwal Sai Kamarthi, class VI, NPS Jalahalli - Bronze award winner



Niharika Sahay, class XII, Nagarjuna Vidyaniketan - Gold award winner

Inculcating the reading habit among children

"Giving is not just about making a donation. It is about making a difference" - Kathy Calvin

With great enthusiasm, our school celebrated the 27th National Reading Day on July 8 across classes I to IX in memory of P N Pan-

HARVEST INTL, ATTIBELE

icker. Based on this celebration the students were encouraged to participate in a book donation drive which inculcates the reading habit among children. The students actively par-



"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much" - Helen Keller

ticipated in donating their old story books to the school library. Due to this drive, students practically experienced the art of kindness. In addition to this, they took a reading oath

written by P N Paincker to comprehend the importance of reading in our day-to-day life. The facilitators also highlighted the importance of reading every day.



"What colonialism does is cause an identity crisis about one's own culture."

LUPITA NYONG'O, KENYAN-MEXICAN ACTRESS

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2022

Be better informed

The information is out there. But there's too much of it. We pick out the best of weekly news and happenings from social media and the web, for you to have a fun time reading and finding resources from the internet that can help you become better informed

WHAT'S THE HISTORY OF MEMES?

There isn't a single day that we don't see a new meme on our social media feeds. At times, the same meme is shared by almost everyone on our timeline. Most times, they make us laugh. But have you ever thought where memes generated from? How did this trend start? Here are a few pointers...

1 Memes didn't start with the internet. Some linguists argue that humans have used memes to communicate for centuries. Memes are widely known as "conduits for cultural conversations and an opportunity to participate in internet trends".

2 It's difficult to identify the first meme ever, but British evolutionary biologist Richard Dawkins is credited with introducing the term in his 1976 book, 'The Selfish Gene'.

3 Humans have used memes to communicate for as long as they have used any symbolic system. A meme is just an idea that rips through the public consciousness.



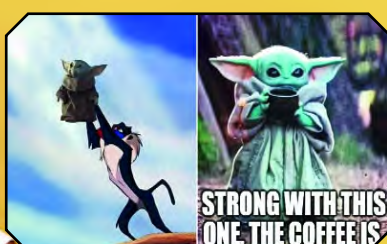
4 In French, the word "mème" translates to "same" and the Greek word "mimōmaí" means "to imitate". In his book, Dawkins said, "We need a name for the new replicator, a noun that conveys the idea of a unit of cultural transmission, or a unit of imitation." He

wanted to use a monosyllable that sounded like "gene". Dawkins said: "It could alternatively be thought of as being related to 'memory' or to the French word "mème".

5 'Webster's New World College Dictionary' defines a meme as "a concept, belief, or practice conceived as a unit of cultural information that may be passed on from person to person, subject to influences in a way similar to natural selection".

6 Like many words in the English language, the word "meme" has undergone a semantic shift over time. In an internet-saturated world, memes and their meanings are co-constructed by multiple users in a social context.

7 The popular meme creator Saint Hoax, who has three million Instagram followers, defines it as a piece of media that is repurposed to deliver a cultural, social or political expression, mainly through humour. "It has the ability to capture insight in a way that is in complete alignment with the zeitgeist," Hoax said.



THE BRITISH OFFICER WHO WAS AGAINST TAKING OF THE KOH-I-NOOR

The death of Queen Elizabeth II means the fabled Koh-i-Noor diamond will pass on to Queen Consort Camilla. But, will the controversy over the coveted jewel in the crown end?

Officials at the Nilgiris Documentation Centre (NDC) recall how John Sullivan, founder of modern Ooty, had condemned the dethronement of Maharaja Duleep Singh of Punjab by the East Indian Company and the confiscation of his properties, including the Koh-i-Noor.

In 1849, after 10-year-old Duleep Singh — the last known owner of the Koh-i-Noor — was defeated in the second Anglo-Sikh War, Governor General Lord Dalhousie took over



DID YOU KNOW?

Bhadrakali temple (Warangal)
In 625 AD, King Pulakesi II of Chalukya Dynasty had built the Bhadrakali Temple. When the region came under the reign of Kakatiya rulers, they made Bhadrakali as their tutelary deity, and fixed the left eye of the goddess with the rare Koh-i-Noor diamond. The fascinating diamond itself was mined from the Kollur Mines (Golconda Mines).

the Sikh kingdom, confiscated the state properties and presented the famous diamond to the Queen of England.

According to NDC director Dharmalingam Venugopal, in 1850, an enraged Sullivan condemned the dethronement and wrote a 70-page treatise, stating that before wearing the Koh-i-Noor, Her Majesty should ascertain whose property it was. Analysing Duleep Singh's terms of surrender, Sullivan concluded that as it was a private property of the child king, the Queen had no right to own it. **TNN**

PODCASTS ON THE BRITISH EMPIRE

With Queen Elizabeth II's death, the focus is back on the British Empire's exploits from its former colonies. Here are a few podcasts to learn about the plunders...

PAX BRITANNICA: A HISTORY OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE

1 Hosted by a PhD candidate in British Imperial history, and based on extensive scholarship and primary sources, along with interviews with experts in their field, this pod explains the rise and eventual fall of the largest empire in history. After all, how peaceful was the "British Peace"?



A VERY BRIEF INTRODUCTION TO THE BRITISH EMPIRE

2 This podcast series is by Uncomfortable Oxford, an academic initiative that raises questions about the legacy of the British Empire through public engagement activities. Full transcripts and reading lists are available on www.uncomfortableoxford.co.uk. The perfect resource for schools, teachers and students.



THE GLOBAL HISTORY PODCAST

3 This is an educational show designed for students, teachers, and anyone interested in the early modern world. This pod dedicates itself to sharing histories — both early modern and global, from approximately the 16th to the early 19th centuries. It explores various themes, focusing on trade, ideas, and commodities that connected distant continents in the age of sail.



STUFF THE BRITISH STOLE

4 Throughout its reign, the British Empire stole a lot of stuff. Today those objects are housed in genteel institutions across the UK and the world. They usually come with polite plaques. This is a series about the not-so-polite history behind those objects.



Write to us about which podcast fascinated you the most, and why, at toinie175@gmail.com

OXFORD GRAD'S TOUCHING TRIBUTE TO GRANDPA

Juhi Kore, a student after graduating from the University of Oxford with a master's degree in Comparative Social Politics, wrote a heartwarming note (on LinkedIn) for her late grandfather, who fought bitter casteism and became a lawyer. "In 1947, the year India was declared a free and independent country, not every citizen was allowed to live a free and independent life," wrote Juhi. She celebrated her grandfather for turning "his reality of not being allowed to sit inside the classroom to having a granddaughter walk through the halls of the best university in the world". <https://www.linkedin.com/feed/update/urn:li:activity:6971062259682836481/>



IT'S VIRAL

MASABA'S HEALTHY BREKKIE IS VIRAL



Fashion designer Masaba Gupta shared a glimpse of her healthy Sunday breakfast on her Insta handle. The story displayed a spinach and millet dosa, egg and spring onion bhurji and guacamole. A champion of body positivity, her diet is nutritious and looks super delicious. Check link: https://www.instagram.com/masabagupta/?utm_source=ig_embed&utm_medium=share_sheet

PAINTBRUSH IN 'NO HANDS' OF LITTLE BOY. TWITTERATIS MELT!



rather sincerely with a brush is winning hearts on Twitter. The identity of the talented boy is unknown though. Shared by IPS Dipanshu Kabra, the clip has around 80,000 views. Check link: <https://twitter.com/ip-skabra/status/1567348216160550912>

102-year-old Indian man says 'I'm alive' with wedding party

When 102-year-old Duli Chand's pension was stopped because Indian authorities could not believe he was still alive, all efforts to prove them wrong failed — until this week. Chand arrived at a government office in a horse-drawn carriage wearing full wedding garb and accompanied by a brass band, and declared, "I'm alive!" He said, "My old-age pension was stopped in March as the government records show that I am dead. I've since been trying in vain to prove that I am still alive." Activist Naveen Jaihind, who was one of the dozens who joined the procession, said that he heard about the case and decided to help. "Together we approached different offices and held a press conference but to no avail," Jaihind said. "This is when we thought of a wedding procession as a way to get some much-needed attention and action," he added. The activist said after Chand's procession video went viral, he has since received phone calls from about three dozen people across Haryana facing a similar situation.



Can you think of a better way to bridge the information gap between senior citizens and the authorities? Mail us your answers at toinie175@gmail.com

TED TALK OF THE WEEK

Why is colonialism (still) romanticised?

Who is the speaker?

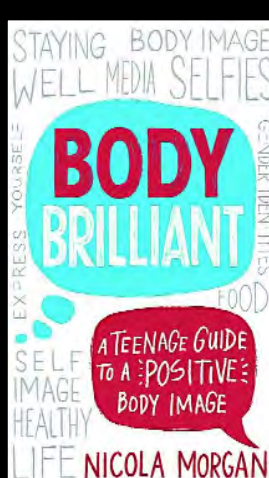
Farish Ahmad Noor is Professor at the Department of History, Faculty of the Arts and Social Sciences, University of Malaya.



What does he say?

"Now, there's one thing that I cannot explain as a historian, and this is how and why certain ideas, certain viewpoints do not seem to ever go away. And I don't know why. And in particular, I'm interested to understand why some people — not all, by no means — but some people in postcolonial Asia still hold on to a somewhat romanticised view of the colonial past, see it through kind of rose-tinted lenses as perhaps a time that was benevolent or nice or pleasant, even though historians know the realities of the violence and the oppression and the darker side of that entire colonial experience." Link: https://www.ted.com/talks/farish_ahmad_noor

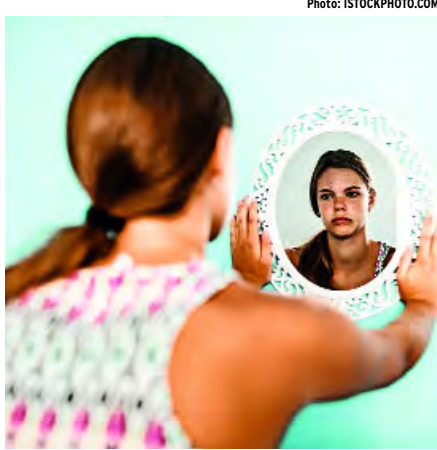
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DO THAT!

Read this... For having a better relationship with your body

A person's relationship with his/her body is a lifelong affair and to treat it with respect, especially, in turbulent teens — when everything from billboards to aunts around sell their own brand of beauty — is hardly easy. To make these transition years easier, try reading 'Body Brilliant — A Teenage Guide to a



Positive Body Image' by Nicola Morgan. The book is a personal and psychological exploration into adolescence, puberty, eating disorders, and body image issues. It details the way different bodies change differently in teenage and how to handle the societal pressure of having the perfect body. To get your own copy, check link: https://www.amazon.in/BODY-BRILLIANT-Teenage-Guide-Positive/dp/1445167360/ref=asc_df_1445167360/

Do that...

FAREWELL TO THE QUEEN

The world mourned Queen Elizabeth's death at age 96 last week. Much was written and spoken about how much loved the Queen was, her journey as the longest-serving British monarch, her style statements, her diet secrets, her love for Indian tea and chocolate cake... the list is endless. The curiosity over royalty is natural when a power and prestige figure like the Queen is gone. For better understanding of the legacy of Queen Elizabeth, you can see Good Morning America YouTube channel's tribute to the monarch in the video captioned: 'The story of Queen Elizabeth II's life'. This piece on her life and journey as the Queen is interesting weekend watch. Check link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VWTDno_JUFC