

Importance of education highlighted through activities

Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world. Nelson Mandela

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great verve and zeal on November 18, 2020 as a remembrance of the birth anniversary of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, who was a great freedom fighter, an eminent educationist and the first Union minister of education. The students delivered inspiring speeches on the

contribution of Azad in laying the foundation for the education system and the nation's commitment to all aspects of education. Various activities were organized for students of classes VI to VIII, to mark the occasion.

Students exhibited fascinating and colourful slogans pertaining to education for all. The role of education was highlighted through inspiring and powerful quotes. The policies and ideals envisioned by Maulana Kalam Azad were brought to the fore. The virtual classrooms echoed with banner cards and slogans on the importance of literacy. The persuasive slogans exhibited by the students were not only a visual treat but also emphasized that education is the need of the hour.



JUNK FOOD



Junk Food
Always cheers your mood,
Too Much
Is not good as such.
It is not good for health
And it takes a lot of wealth,
Parents can buy
But sometimes, with a sigh.
You can eat it in a small amount
But not as much as a ten lakh account,
Junk food is bad
But makes you really mad.

Junk Food has a lot of oil
Which makes our health spoil,
It has a lot of fat
Like a big fat cat.

Junk food has lot of sugar
To burn it out you better be a jogger!
Junk food has a lot of salt
Which makes your health halt.

Disha R Bhat, class V, Bethany High School

Giving expression to feelings through poetry

A virtual poetry recitation competition was organized for the students. This was a splendid opportunity for them to exhibit and showcase their literary creativity. The students participated wholeheartedly and enthusiastically presented

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their own compositions, drawing inspiration from great minds and written works of established poets

worldwide. This was an excellent platform for talented students to build their confidence and interest in being able to express their feelings in verses. The topic varied for each class. Happiness, wonders of nature, let my dreams fly, problems don't frighten me and social ignorance were among the theme that the students were given.

English Poem Recitation Competition Winners 2020-2021

CLASS 5



CLASS 6



THE EDUCATIONIST

LEARN WITH A PURPOSE

With the lines between home and school blurred, young people's sense of self is likely shaken. Finding purpose requires knowing your whole self, not just who you are in the hallways of a school. The level of introspection can be accomplished by making self-reflection a part of every lesson, helping students make the resources and different

topics taught relevant to their own lives and our new realities.

We need to imbue everything we do with a sense of why (this goes for everyone, not just students). Without one, school becomes a hoop to jump through. Getting to the why



underlying each student means giving them a voice in the (online) classroom and a say in what and how they learn. It also leads to student-driven and purposeful learning, where they work hard not because they have to but because they're interested and passion.

Fathima Afroze, Academic Coordinator, Springfields International School, Bandlaguda

Painters' Gallery



FROZEN DELIGHT: Himani Prabhu, class VI, DPS East



FESTIVE SPIRIT: Aishani Sinha, class II, Bethany High School, Koramangala



PLACID BROOK: Mitali Poonia, class IV, Bethany High, Koramangala.



SNOWY SPLENDOUR: Vanshika, class III, Samsidh Mount Litera Zee School



MANDALA IN DOTS: Sri Lahari Achutanna, class IX, Sishu Griha Senior School

Express YOURSELF

I AM A STAR

Twinkle Twinkle little star,
how I wonder what you are?
So you are wondering about me. I will tell you what I am.
I am part of a big family. My great grandfather, known as Sun, is the nearest star that you can see from Earth. Mr. Sun is the creator of life and we are proud of him. My eldest brother Dhruv is the brightest of all and a friend of all sailors and navigators. From my very birth to death I bring happiness and hope to all. When anyone in my family dies, people down on Earth close their eyes and make a wish, calling out, a shooting star!
People think I am small but I am really, really big. We too love to stay in a group, together with friends. When people on Earth see us together, they call us a constellation.
The funny part is everyone wants to have our name in front of their names - I am a



Star Performer, I am Star Heroine. Like you have a home we live in a Galaxy. I love my home and my fellow mates
Neonika Jairath, class III, Silver Oaks International School, Whitefield

MIDNIGHT MELANCHOLY

I lay on my midtime bed,
pondering what went wrong.
Perhaps something in the past wasn't said
This night really seems to draw long
And next comes the future
With all its questions and doubts.
I ask myself if I could even nurture-
Nurture all of life's turnabouts
But I close my eyes, trapped in the dark;

For I know none of that matters
If in this present world I can't leave a mark,
The dream of life shockingly shatters
But, alas, this is nothing new:
This feeling comes every night.
A dilemma of feeling dead or anew
Never goes down without a fight
Adit Sundriyal, class IX, DPS Whitefield, Bangalore

USE DIGITAL DETOX TO BE PRODUCTIVE

Digital detox is a period of time where in one refrains from using gadgets. The most-asked question would then probably be, "What do I do during a digital detox?"
There are several things you can do. In fact you can do everything!
For many of us, being connected to social media is really important. However, for others, it is just another means of entertainment. Your reason for using a gadget could be anything! But I am sure you can spare one day in the week to keep yourself off-screen! This could be a "no screen-time" day for your whole family. Let's try it in a different way! Ask 'why' when you pull out your phone or any gadget. Is it so necessary?
Digital detox might give you time to do everything that is incomplete on your to-do list. It will also give you time for things that can calm you down. It will



also give you time to learn something new!
Think about a day without social media! Aren't you bored of the same old screen? Don't you want to be involved in something even more productive? Try digital detox for a day or two.
Kyna Lunked, class VII, Greenwood High, Bannerghatta

IS PUJARA'S POOR STRIKE RATE A CONCERN FOR TEAM INDIA?

Cheteshwar Pujara was the batting mainstay when the two sides locked horns Down Under in 2018-19, but in the ongoing series, the right-handed batsman has been struggling against Australia's pace battery. Pujara has been dismissed four times by Cummins. Former Australia captain Ricky Ponting even went on to say that Pujara's slow batting created an unwanted pressure on the non-striker who had to compensate for his slow approach. But, is the criticism justified?

PUJARA WAS SCARED TO PLAY SHOT, PLAYED TO SURVIVE

He (Pujara) is almost scared to play a shot, isn't he? He is playing to survive rather than looking to score. He's not had quite the same impact this series in that he's taken so long to score his runs, it's like he's stagnated at the crease and it has had a bit of a ripple effect through the Indian batting. They can't seem to get on top of Australia's bowling.

Credit where credit is due, the bowling has been very good and Australia haven't allowed them to get away. That's half the battle as well, the guy's been hard to get out but if the scoreboard is not moving, eventually you get your rewards.

Allan Border, former Australia skipper

UNFAIR TO ASK HIM TO PLAY AGGRESSIVE CRICKET

I don't think Pujara is the culprit in this case at all. Generally in his career he has played his brand of cricket and it would be unfair for the team to be asking him to be playing something which is totally out of his natural style.

I will put it down to Rahane and Vihari, who came in and scored 4 off 38 balls (in the first innings). To me, both players need to get the game moving, understanding the role that Pujara has done not only in this series but every other series that he has played Test cricket in for India.

Tom Moody, former Australian all-rounder

PUJARA CAN HURT TEAMS EVEN WITH A LOW STRIKE RATE

As you know Australians love to drink coffee, and we have decided to go on a little campaign to make sure we have plenty of caffeine when it comes to watching Pujara bat. But, you know what the reality is, he hurt us badly (in 2018-19).

We are of a generation now where we are admiring people for their strike play, we are admiring people for their strike rate. Well, he is one of the few guys in Test cricket that have a strike rate of sub 45 and he can hurt you.

Matthew Hayden, former Australia opener

Pujara made his slowest fifty in Test cricket before being dismissed for 50 off 176 balls, a strike-rate of 28.41 in the first innings

THAT IS HOW HE PLAYS AND IT'S EFFECTIVE

That is how he plays. We won the series (2018-19) with Pujara scoring three hundreds. So, we can't accuse him of playing slowly because that is his way of batting. You cannot accuse him of not winning matches for India, because he has done that in the past. Both in Australia and on the sub-continent wickets.

Sanjay Jagdale, former BCCI selector

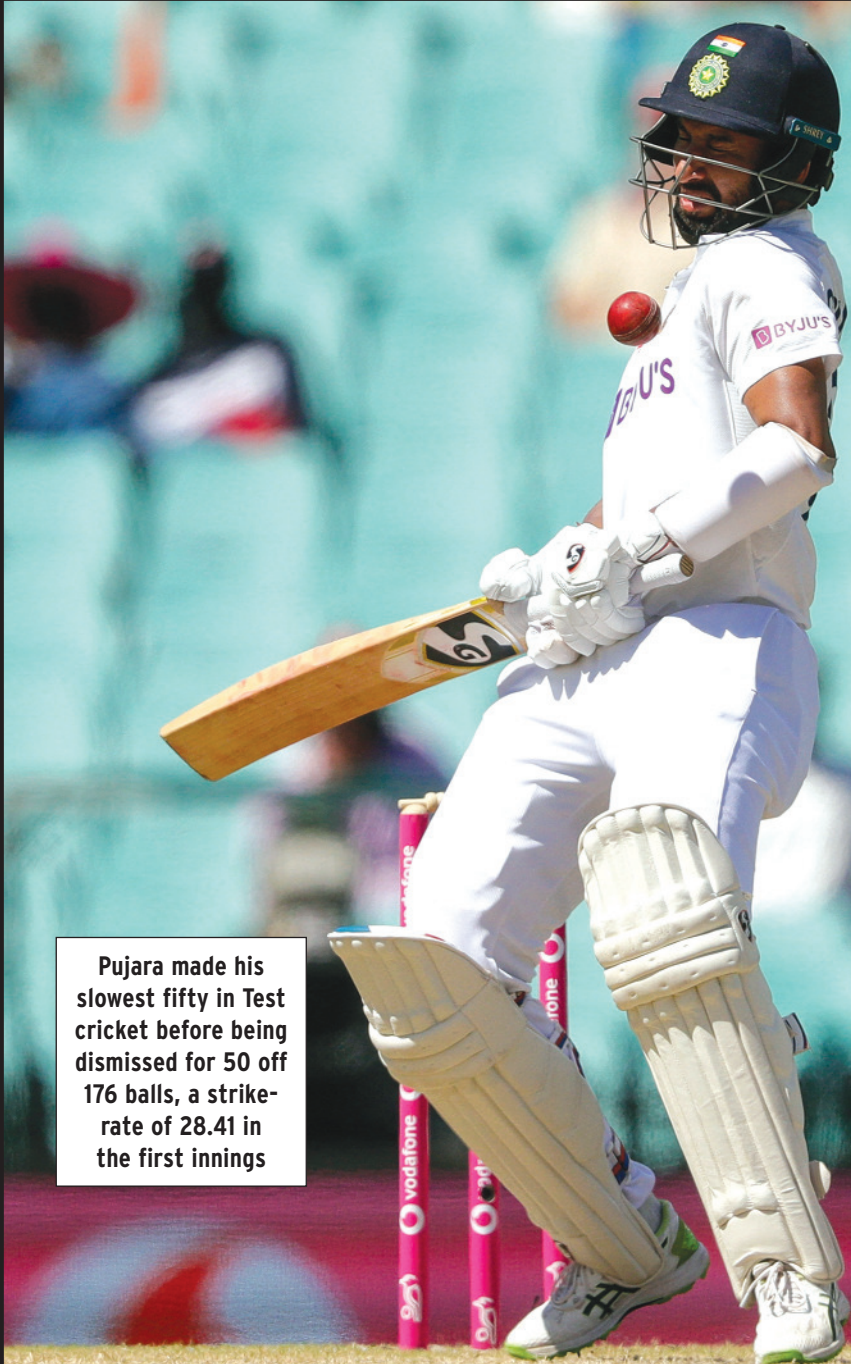


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Indian cricketers subjected to abuse again

Mohammed Siraj complained of racial abuse from the crowd



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Cricket Australia said it condemned "in the strongest terms possible all discriminatory behaviour" after sections of the crowd in Sydney allegedly racially abused Jasprit Bumrah and Mohammed Siraj

Team India lodged an official complaint with the match officials at the end of Day 3's play in Sydney. To the shock of many the vile behaviour of the fans continued on Sunday, Day 4 of the Sydney Test as Siraj was targeted once again while fielding at the boundary rope. The play had to be halted for ten minutes after Siraj alerted his teammates and captain Ajinkya Rahane took up the matter

with the on-field umpires.

The umpires then had a chat with security officials at the ground, following which six Australian supporters were asked to leave after being identified as the perpetrators. Reacting to the racial abuse of the visiting players, Cricket Australia said it condemned the behaviour of the fans, who will be banned from the SCG once found guilty.

THERE IS NO PLACE FOR THIS RUBBISH

Tum karo toh Sarcasm, aur koi Kare toh Racism. Very unfortunate with what some of the Australian crowd has been doing at the SCG and spoiling the vibes of a good test series. **Virender Sehwag**

I personally have heard many things on the field while playing in Australia about Me, My religion, My colour and much more. This isn't the first time the crowd is doing this nonsense...

How do u stop them?
Harbhajan Singh

Very unfortunate to see what's happening at SCG. There is no place for this rubbish. Never understood the need to yell abuse at players on a sporting field. If you're not here to watch the game and can't be respectful, then pls don't come and spoil the atmosphere. **VVS Laxman**

Unacceptable behaviour there is no place for racism, I hope this is dealt in the most severe way. **Tom Moody**

I hope the spectators evicted from the SCG today aren't allowed into a ground at anytime. They tarnish our sport and they tarnish the reputation of their society. **Harsha Bhogle**



Messi revival continues as Barcelona thrash Granada



Photo: AP

Some had wondered if Messi would ever get back to his best following an underwhelming start to the season but his latest contribution makes him the league's top scorer on 11 goals

Lionel Messi is back in form and Barcelona are finding their feet after a 4-0 demolition of Granada put them within four points of the top of La Liga. Messi scored twice to make it four goals in three matches since the turn of the year and his resurgence has coincided with an upturn for the team too, this victory is Barca's third on the bounce. It puts them in sight of league leaders Atletico Madrid, even if Diego Simeone's side now have three games in hand. **AFP**

QUIZ TIME!

Q1: Which wicketkeeper has made the most dismissals in the Indian Premier League?

- a) Parthiv Patel ☐ b) Robin Uthappa ☐
c) Dinesh Karthik ☐ d) MS Dhoni ☐

Q2: The most FIFA World Cup finals goals were made by which of these football players?

- a) Miroslav Klose ☐ b) Lukas Podolski ☐
c) Mario Götze ☐ d) Giovanni Reyna ☐

Q3: In which year was the Archery World Cup instituted?

- a) 2004 ☐ b) 2002 ☐ c) 2006 ☐ d) 2008 ☐

Q4: Who is the first athlete to have won both the 200 m and 400 m events at the same Summer Olympic Games?

- a) Michael Johnson ☐ b) Wayde van Niekerk ☐
c) Justin Gatlin ☐ d) Usain Bolt ☐

Q5: Which bowler holds the record for most wickets taken in a series in the Indian Premier League?

- a) Kagiso Rabada ☐ b) Dwayne Bravo ☐
c) Lasith Malinga ☐ d) James Faulkner ☐

Q6: The most goals in a single FIFA World Cup were made by

- a) Marius Trésor ☐ b) Michel Platini ☐
c) Just Fontaine ☐ d) Gerd Müller ☐

Q7: Sara Lopez, who has won the Archery World Cup women's compound event five times, became champion of the first Lockdown Knockout 2020. Whom did she beat to win the title?



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- a) Linda Ochoa Anderson ☐
b) Mike Schloesser ☐ c) Paige Pearce ☐
d) Anders Faugstad ☐

Q8: The most gold medals won by a nation in a single Winter Olympics is 14, achieved by three countries: Canada, Norway and

- a) China ☐ b) Germany ☐
c) South Korea ☐ d) Japan ☐

Q9: The fastest goal in a World Cup finals match came in 11 seconds. Which of the following players scored this goal?

- a) İlhan Mansiz ☐ b) Hakan Sükür ☐
c) Arif Erdem ☐ d) Bülent Korkmaz ☐

Q10: Which of these cricketers holds the record for the highest score in ICC Men's World Cup?

- a) Sourav Ganguly ☐ b) Chris Gayle ☐
c) Martin Gupthill ☐ d) Gary Kirsten ☐

Q11 Name this player who has made a total of 17 appearances at the season-ending ATP Finals.

- a) Novak Djokovic ☐ b) Ivan Lendl ☐
c) Andre Agassi ☐ d) Roger Federer ☐

ANSWERS: 1 d) MS Dhoni 2 a) Miroslav Klose
3 c) 2006 4 a) Michael Johnson
5 b) Dwayne Bravo 6 c) Just Fontaine
7 d) Anders Faugstad 8 b) Germany
9 b) Hakan Sükür 10 c) Martin Gupthill
11 d) Roger Federer