



Calcutta International School Junior School

THE ANNUAL SWIMMING MEET

The Junior school pupils took active part in the Annual Swimming Meet that was held on the 28th of August this year at the Calcutta Swimming Club. To the delight of our Sports teachers, Mr A Samad, and Miss P Gurung, there were many more participants this year from the primary department. The event was a great success and progressed smoothly after it was declared open officially by our two Principals, Mrs P Nayar, and Mrs Ratnalekha Shetty. The MC for the event was Mrs Sushmita Ray. In the Junior School, the individual group champions were Logan Wu, Ahan Law, Sumedha Bagchi, Kushagra Kanoi, and Vania Kapur.



The ISA Project - Value of the month **“RESPECT”**

Respect begins with the self. Respecting the self means that I realize that **I am valuable, unique, lovable and a capable individual.**

Respecting others means that **I treat them with love and care** just the way I wish to be treated myself.

The children of the Primary Department discovered important ways of showing **respect towards themselves, their family, friends, elders, their school, the environment, animals, plants and their property** through a variety of important group discussions, songs, poems and skits in the past few weeks.

An Assembly on Respect - 23rd September, 2015.

Colour of Respect : **Orange**

At the assembly on Respect, we invited two grandparents to be the special guests of the day. **Dr. A.K.Lahiri and Mrs Rajshri Daga** were our honoured guests. Dr.Lahiri spoke to the children about how people in different countries show respect in different ways when they greet one another.eg. With hands folded or a bow. He also mentioned the importance of respecting the National flag, every individual and plants. Mrs. Rajshri Daga narrated a short story to the children about two sisters. One sister was rewarded for her respectful behaviour towards people, nature and property while the other had to face the sad consequences of her disrespectful behaviour. Their interaction with the children was meaningful and their words of wisdom had a good impact on the children.

The children of Upper Nursery B presented a poem: **“Each one of us is Beautiful”**. The children of Upper Nursery A presented a **skit showing respectful behaviour in our daily lives.**



"How many colours are in the rainbow, let us count and see.

Violet, indigo, blue and green

Yellow, orange and red "

The children of Pre Nursery learning about colours with the rainbow



Non flame cooking by the little chefs of Pre Nursery



NURSERY shares some facts about Turtles



Turtles have been on the earth for more than 200 million years. They evolved before mammals, birds, crocodiles, snakes, and even lizards. The earliest turtles had teeth and could not retract their heads. Turtles live on every continent except Antarctica. Turtles range in size from the 4-inch Bog Turtle to the 1500-pound Leathery Turtle. The shell of a turtle is made up of 60 different bones all connected together. Turtles have good eyesight and an excellent sense of smell. Hearing and sense of touch are both good and even the shell contains nerve endings.



Getting ready for the festive season.

Children painted a picture of Maa Durga and decorated it with sequins and glitter.



The Busy Bees of Upper Nursery A



Narrating the story of "The lion and the mouse" with stick puppets



A math activity with shapes



Learning about plants and seeds

Each day is fun in Upper Nursery B





Students of class 1 watching an experiment as part of an Instructional Activity during an English lesson.



Practicing for Camel Art Contest in the Art and Craft class.



Sharing their stories in the Creative Writing class.



Children trying to balance weights and calculate mass in the Math class.

“We are the same - no matter how we look, who we are and what we do. We must be kind, loving, caring and respectful towards all.”

The students of Class 2A narrated the story of the “The Rainbow People” in the assembly based on the above theme. The illustrations made by the children were shown as a powerpoint presentation. They concluded with a song “The World is a Rainbow”. The children spoke and sang well. It was a good start to the morning.



Class 3A recited the poem “The Rescue” by Ian Serrailier. They also wrote stories inspired by the poem. Ruhani read out her story.



'On 15th September, Class 3B conducted their assembly on "Children-The future lies in their hands". The children read out a few lines on how children are the priceless and valuable treasures of God and we must always cherish them. They are the future and so we must sacrifice our present so that they can have a better tomorrow. The children then sang the song 'We are the World", while a slideshow played in the background, displaying pictures of different children smiling all over the world. The message to be learnt is that our future lies in the hands of our children and we must nurture them and help them grow up to be responsible and mature young adults.'



ONCE UPON A TIME, LONG AGO IN HARRAPA

The pupils of class 4A put up an Assembly on the 3rd of September, 2015, Thursday in the Music Room. The idea for the subject for the Assembly was given by the pupils themselves and originated from their keen interest in their land, their history and in writing and enacting plays. So a team of young enthusiasts wrote a script based on their research on this ancient civilization which was thousands of years old and was discovered in the 20th century by accident. Till today, scholars and architects from all over the world marvel at the excellence of the architecture of the buildings, the great baths and the roads, the drainage system of the ancient cities of Mohenjodaro and Harrapa. The pupils of class 4A all took part in the play and used simple costumes. They depicted how a family spends a day in a city in the Indus valley civilization and also how the civilization mysteriously ended, to be discovered again many centuries later.

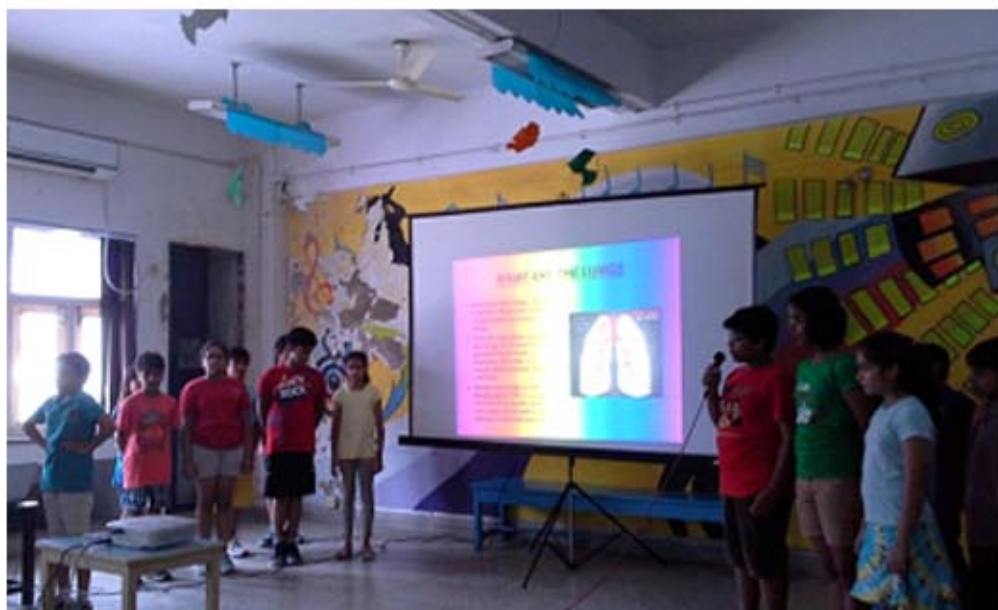


Class 4B focussed on the life and works of Dr APJ Abdul Kalam. The Children were shown a power point presentation on the childhood days of Dr Kalam, his academic and professional achievements and his contribution to the country and its people. The assembly concluded with a beautiful quotation of Dr Kalam.

" You cannot change your future but, you can change your habits, and your habits will change your future".



The children of class 5A & 5B put up their first assembly together. They recited an enchanting poem called "Bells" by Edgar Allen Poe. What was interesting about this performance was that every child carried a bell with them. As they rung these bells one by one the tintinnabulation of these instruments was like music to the ears. There were golden bells, silver bells, church bells, temple bells, alarm bells, cow bells, sledge bells, wooden bells etc that were rung to create a delightful melody. It was a poem about the sound and structure of different bells, which are made for different occasions.



Students of class 5A presented their research in a power point presentation made on the major organs of the human body along with peer demonstration.

The students of Class 5B presented an assembly on "Misleading Advertisement". The students were divided into groups and they chose some popular ads of various products aired on television and created a powerpoint with 12 videos. The main aim of the presentation was to create logical and analytical thinking in students before they believe any claims made by different products. The students made it very clear at the beginning that they were not against the products but they oppose the ways of promoting the products.





On 14th October, 2015 classes 5A and 5B received their long awaited and richly deserved books titled, "Drinks party original recipes", which they themselves had written. The book was put together and designed by Mr. Ghosh, Head of the Art Department Mrs. Nayar and other teachers, gave the students the book in a short, delightful ceremony.



INTER HOUSE MATH QUIZ



An Inter House Math Quiz, conceptualized designed, and conducted by Math teachers Mrs Antara Banerjee and Mrs Ishmeet Mokha, was held for the pupils of classes 3, 4, 5 on Monday, the 21st of September at 9 am in the AVR. Mrs P Nayar, Junior School Principal, welcomed the pupils gathered there. Mr S Mukherjee, HOD Math, addressed the audience. He said that the quiz was a very important event, as it helped to promote and develop mathematical thinking through understanding, calculation, logic, and application and also team spirit and healthy competition. He added that this quiz would take the pupils on an interesting mathematical journey beyond the formal curriculum, and the next two engrossing hours or so proved how true Mr Mukherjee's statements were. The questions included brain teasers, data handling, mathematical puzzles, rapid fire rounds which kept everyone thinking and calculating There were questions for the audience too. The excitement and enthusiasm were clearly visible, palpable as the quiz progressed well and smoothly .The scores were kept by Mrs S Ahuja. The winning house was Green for classes 3 and 5 and for class 4 it was Yellow house. Truly an enjoyable learning experience , where knowledge was divided, shared, multiplied, and added!

Every year, children, as students and young learners, acknowledge the contribution made by the teachers in their lives on the 5th of September. This year, once again, the enterprising pupils of classes 4 and 5 in the Junior school took some time off for several days secretly during recess to practise for a charming performance on stage for the teachers. The pupils of class 4 sang and danced to the lively, popular tunes of Country roads, Banana and 10 feet tall to the delight of the spellbound teachers The pupils of class 5 danced to the popular and foot tapping music of Happy, What makes you beautiful, and also put up a humor filled performance titled "A day in school". There was a solo performance by Anoushka , who sang a beautiful Assamese song for the teachers There was a show of their gymnastic skills as well in a mesmerizing show of their agility and courage.



Elocution Competition

On the 13th of October, Tuesday, an English Elocution competition was held for the Junior school. The Elocution teacher, Miss L Khanna had spent several weeks preparing the children for this programme, training the pupils in rhetorical strategies ,memorizing, expression, voice modulation and body values. She had also encouraged the pupils to take part in the selections prior to the main competition. The participants were from class 1 to 5. They came well prepared for the competition, and it was a pleasure to see them reciting confidently.

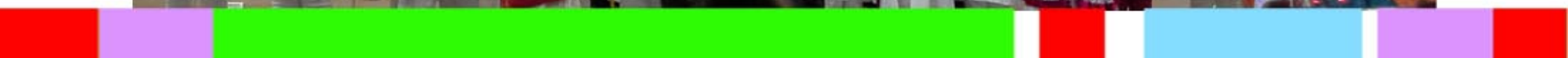




The dewdrops glisten in the morning rays...fluffy white clouds sail majestically across a clear blue sky....the tall stalks of "kaashphul" wave and dance with the wind....leaves turn gold and brown....and the fragrant "shiuli" carpet the ground. Now aren't we glad Autumn is here, for its the season of festivities and cheer!



The children of Junior department welcomed the arrival of Maa Durga with pomp and grandeur. Different aspects of the pujas was brought forth by the students of classes 1 to 5. The programme was highly appreciated by all.



THE INTRA-ECA FOOTBALL (JUNIOR) MATCH HELD ON 14.10.15

The Intra-ECA Football (Junior) match took place on 14.10.15, coordinated by the ECA Junior Team Football coach Mr. Bijoy Saha. The two teams consisted of members who were from classes 3 to 5. The match took place in the school football ground, between 3.15pm to 4.30 pm.

Some of the parents of the participating students were also present to watch the match.

Before the match began, the two team members were congratulated and offered best wishes by the Principal, Mrs. P. Nayar, on the field.

The match began with team A scoring the first goal, and this was by Shubraneil Ganguly of class 5. The next ten minutes saw both teams struggle with the ball, trying to score the next goal. However it was Shubraneil who scored the second goal for his team again. There was a 15 minutes break given between the two halves of the match, and one player, Yashvardhan Agarwal hurt himself while playing, was given necessary treatment for his sprain. Although advised to take himself off the field, he still insisted to carry on with the game in the second half, and played in defence beautifully. The goalkeepers also did a splendid job at diverting the ball. The match ended with Team A winning with three goals.

The players were congratulated and felicitated at the special assembly held on 16.10.15, and certificates, and medals were given by the principal, Mrs. Nayar to the students.

This match certainly highlighted the latent potential of the Junior school Football team, and it is encouraging to see that a school team at this level is now ready to play further matches with in-house or outside competing teams.

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