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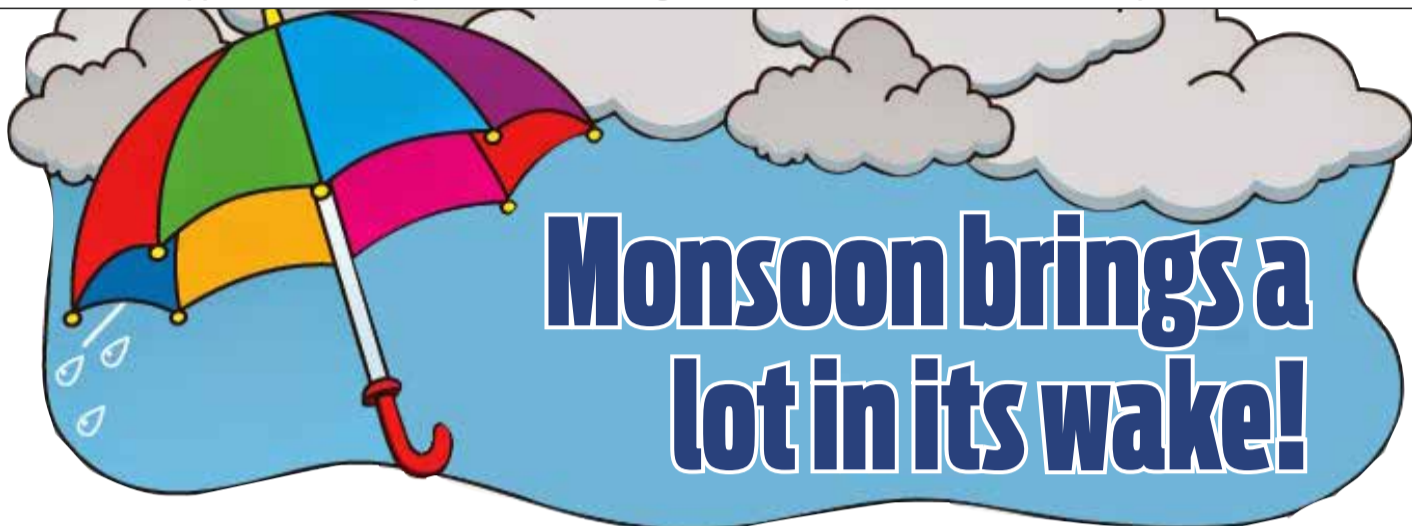
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It was the first rain of the city. The sky was shedding its tears of joy as the summer days were gone and now no more scorching heat will burn the roads or the streets. A lady was sitting in her room after completing all her routine work. A cup of coffee was in her hand. Hot, brewing and strong! As she dipped a Rusk into the cup she glanced at the blurry glass of the window. The rain-drops had covered the entire glass and all she could see was a misty view of some children playing in the puddles of the first rain. As she sipped her first sip from the cup, the rain paced up and now it is in its full form. The gushing noises of fast flowing water and kids made her stand from her chair to see what actually the nature is up to.

The moment she opened her balcony door, Nostalgia ran into her veins. She felt a like 9 year old girl and saw herself playing in the backyard as she used to in every first rain of the season. She wanted to run outside the apartment and play like a carefree child on cloud nine because of the rain. The happy faces of the children playing outside her apartment with no worries about their clothes being muddy or their hair being wet. They were just enjoying the nature as it came. The lady was a mother of a 12 year old son now and has some prescribed manners as a mother to behave mature. The daily routine and responsibilities made her forget how it was to be getting out in the rain and get wet without any thoughts. That day, she held few dancing raindrops in her palm and they made her realise that age and time does not bind you from being Happy! Her son came from school while she was standing in the balcony staring at those raindrops. He was a kid but he understood that mom enjoys rain as much as he does. He ran into the storeroom and found the old 'Gumboots' of her mother. He then took her hand and rushed outside the apartment with his mother.

The lady refrained at first but then something hit her. 'It is not society who is stopping us, but ourselves' she thought. She quickly ran to the ground and enjoyed the rain as much as she can with her son and other children. It was a moment when the sky showered its blessings upon her and she regained her lost childhood with her son.

"This could be a story of any ordinary housewife around us. The rainy season has showered its first drizzle upon us, but we can make a step further and find that lost childhood in our mom, elder sister or even a neighbourhood aunt.

The days are over when we have to see the overused wrinkled farmer's face in every newspaper, who is pointing towards



sky and wishing for the rain. The Monsoon has arrived and has brought happiness with its wake. The question still hangs whether there will be proper rain on proper time? Or will it be too much on a wrong time or too less at the right time? The season sure make the farmers happy but only when it rains in required amount. Rainy season is the most criticized among us. If it does not rain, people pray for it and when the monsoon starts in its full form, people start praying to stop it! Well, human psychology can't really help it!

The floods and disasters it creates is something we all fear. Be it Mumbai rains or Surat rains, people do suffer when it is out of control. The fast moving lives are compelled to slow down when the nature shows its way.' We are mere puppets and our master has all the powers over us' - this feeling is common during the heavy rains when roads are blocked and the storm can't let us out. We all think the Rains to be the culprit and criticize the nature all the time for such situations. But aren't WE the main reason behind such functional

changes of the weather cycle? Why the winters are so chilly and summers have become super hot from past few years? Why the rainy season is thought as a curse when it creates drought or floods? Aren't we humans excessively exploit nature and has created the imbalance? The schools are running campaigns and the subject 'Environment' is there in every class since ages. But has the ozone layer stopped getting damaged or the global warming decreased? The education to protect the nature has just gotten into the books and not into minds. We will switch off the lights at home because at the end we have to pay the electricity bills, but the same does not go with the school class rooms, because we are not the one paying their bills. The plastic bags are never thrown anywhere in our home premises but the same never happens with our streets, roads and public places because we don't have to clean them right? ***The day we will start taking our Planet as our Home, the nature might as well will start taking us as its child and won't cause any harm.***

As the story, why don't we stop stressing over the bad part and start cherishing all the good things that Rains bring? The days of indoor games are here! Not every rain will be the one when you can go out and play because our parents won't allow that. So the chess boards, carom boards, playing cards and many new age games like UNO, Monopoly and Sequence will start gathering a bunch of friends into one child's house. Mothers will start making Pakodas, Hot teas and coffees and many other delicacies. Youngsters will be seen on highways hitting the roads in such refreshing weather and the gang will gather at a tea stall eating hot Maggi with a cup of cutting Chai (Tea) in hands. The long queues will be seen on 'Daal Wada' stores in spite of heavy rains. Farmers are not the only creature who eagerly waits for the rainy season, but the birds, animals and trees too. The peacocks and cuckoo birds call for it, while frogs sing after it. That is MONSOON! The squeaky clean green trees will suddenly appear new to us. The Social media freaks (almost every student now-a-days) will start posting their Facebook, Instagram and Snapchat statuses instantly when the first drops of drizzling starts.



MINAL JOSHI  
THE OPEN PAGE

# KUMBHA MELA: A TRIBUTE TO NATURE AND RIVERS



Originated from Sanskrit word kumbha and mela, both are symbolic with water and the mass. It means the worshippers gather near a water land, pond, lake or river to clean their sins by taking bath. Traditional bathing was carried out with the help of a pot or mug and worshipping the sun or any desired gods by offering water in those pots. How belief can change a mind set is well understood in these bathing. Not only physical but also spiritual purification is the motto of kumbha melas.

Ritual mass bathing is not a common activity and it demand a huge area and proper organizational management planner. It requires an astonishing expenditure as well; hence these sacred bathing rituals are being organized in a well thought manner and gap of time

also.

Basically there are four types of kumbha melas at four different river fronts (venues) having different timings such as holy Ganga, the Sangampitha, Godavari and Shipra at Haridwar, Prayag (ALLAHABAD), Nasik and Ujjain respectively. These melas are divided into many terms as maha kumbha, ardha kumbha and normal kumbhas. Apart from these Vedic orders, there are many modern day kumbha melas those are taking place in the month of magha, the winter season. Primarily, kumbha melas are based on numerical calculations of the positioning of stars and astrological backgrounds play a vital role to decide the exact days and dates of these sacred baths. Ardha kumbha melas revisit after every six years and Maha

kumbha mela comes in 144 years.

Further, there is a special Singhashtva mela at Trimbak-Nashik and Ujjain when the zodiac Leo appears. This is very rare and the devotees gather for a mass bathing for many days. In 2013, there were nearly 120 million seeker and devotees at Prayag where all three rivers Ganga, Yamuna and invisible Saraswati flow to purify the sins. There are specific times as March to April is for Haridwar mela, January to February for Allahabad mela, august to September for Nasik mela and April to May for Ujjain mela.

Modern time kumbha melas attract foreigners and tourists. The local administration, state and central governments provide security, hospitality and health care to the visitors. A huge



amount of government fund is already allotted for smooth conduct of these mega events. For smooth conduction of these world famous gatherings, the administration prepares a massive plan yet we witness the stampedes also. In the name of religious activities people do suffer with their lives and property.

Kumbha mela is depicted in many movies and exclusive documentaries. Modern day melas are hyped with much more fun and festival moods. The tradition of inviting Sadhus, priests, nagas, mathpatis and religious gurus from various akhadas and ashrams are still in place where these spiritual gurus bless the mass and interact with the devotees on social and political issues.

India is a country of wonders and these kumbha melas are really the guiding activities to understand the values of Indian practices and scriptures. Though there is no concrete evidence of the origin and history of these melas, belief plays a major role in following this age old tradition. Locals do a briskly business to earn their live hood. State governments receive financial assistance to develop the localities where the hospitality, transportation and health care departments are the true gainers.

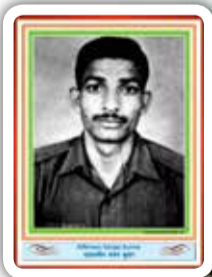


**DR. DHANANJAYA BHANJA**  
EDUCATIONIST, SURAT

We can't go back in time to change what happened, but humanity at least teaches us not to forget our heroes who sacrificed their lives while we were resting in our homes doing our usual stuff. 'Kargil Vijay Diwas' is celebrated every year on 26th July in India. The war was fought for more than 60 days. Altogether 527 soldiers were sacrificed in this battle. On this memorable day celebration; We can at least remember them and spend few minutes to read about them who made this day unforgettable and converted it in a Victory day- 'Vijay Diwas'.

This story is one of the soldier's of this battle 'Mr. Sanjay Kumar', who showed his amazing power and conspicuous courage in the battle of Kargil. For which, the President of India honoured him with 'Paramveer Chakra', the biggest award given on the performance of unparalleled bravery during war period.

Sanjay Kumar was born on March 3, 1976 in a village of Bukan (Bilaspur, Himachal Pradesh). In 1998, Sanjay started his military life. His parents got him engaged with a woman named Premila. Sanjay and Premila were enjoying their newly married days and on the border of India, the rumble began. Pakistani Military then had attacked at the boarder of Kashmir to capture it. As the history beholds, the country is behind Kashmir since long and had already captured a part of it from the time of Prime Minister Nehru. The Pakistani military have made sev-



## 26th JULY KARGIL VIJAY DIWAS



eral such efforts for the same in the years 1965 and 1971 but our great warriors have always protected our borders. Kargil Vijay Diwas is celebrated as one such battles which happened in the year 1999.

At an elevation of 5307 meters, the area known as 'Tiger Hill' is the domi-

nant feature that stands north of the sleepy town of Dras, the soldiers of India and Pakistan would go back in the grief of winter. This practice was going on under an agreement years ago; but when the Indian soldiers reached there after the winter of 1999, they found that Pakistan military had bunkered in

Indian Territory. Sanjay Kumar's team was deployed on the most difficult front of the Mashkoh valley in the war. Within a year of his recruitment, he was very excited about getting the responsibility of doing something for the country. Pakistani soldiers were firing heavily there. The second front was not easy; But Sanjay Kumar also rushed a bullet from his rifle and sent all Pakistani soldiers to hell. When his colleagues hoisted the tricolor on that remote hill, Sanjay was happy; but due to excessive bleeding, his condition worsened. The colleagues hurriedly sent him to the base camp and then to the hospital, where he soon became healthier. Strategically, the Mashkoh Valley Front was extremely difficult and prominent. Seeing the special role of Sanjay Kumar in this victory, President Shri K.R.Narayan honored him with the 'Paramveer Chakra' on January 26, 2000 on the recommendation of the military officers. Sanjay Kumar is still stationed in the army. He wants his son to join the army and serve the country as he did for his entire life.

Let us never forget and pay homage to each of our soldier who was, who is and who will be there to protect our country without any selflessness. It is their efforts that pays off and we are able to celebrate such days.



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# GURU PURNIMA - A LOST TRADITION

Greetings all the readers!!

In the context of Guru Purnima, I would like each of you to answer this question.

*"Have you included Guru Purnima Celebration in your Annual Academic Planner?"*

If yes, I am grateful to you for being a part of the fraternity which promotes Indian Culture. Otherwise, better late than never, I request you to at least include it now in your School Calendar.

Today we have a number of Schools in India accredited with the International School Award (ISA) and how many of these schools have included Guru Purnima Celebration as one of the activities while preparing the action plan? In most of the cases, the answer is "No". It is because, we are living in a world where at least the private schools have no time for such things and they are moving towards global trends gradually losing their native identity. The internet result would be to include many such celebrations in the list of 'Lost Traditions' just like the extinct animals very soon.

As educators how confident are we that the activities planned and executed by us help children in the development of a strong character? If the answer is 'very confident' then can it be expressed quantitatively? We know that it is not possible because development of a character is not a one day business and it is a lifelong process. However a strong foundation in this aspect both by parents and teachers in the formative years would definitely have a long lasting effect on the future of these young minds. All of us as educators must have a strong belief in our own heritage and be passionate to ignite the young minds through the profound lessons taught by our ancient Gurus.

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## SIGNIFICANCE OF GURU PURNIMA:

The full moon day in the Hindu month of Ashad (July - August) is observed as the auspicious day of Guru Purnima (Vyas Purnima), a day sacred to the memory of the great sage Maharshi Ved Vyasa. He is the first and greatest acharya of Sanatana Dharma. He classified the four vedas, wrote eighteen puranas, the Brahmasutras and uttered the Mahabharat which Lord Ganesh penned down. The Mahabharat is glorified as the fifth veda. Of all the sec-

tions in Mahabharat, the most important, essential and crown jewel is the Bhagvadgita.

## WHO SHOULD TAKE THE LEAD?

Guru Purnima Celebration is not just the responsibility of a few teachers. Every member of the School right from the Director to Class IV employee should become a part of this noble endeavor. Small anecdotes from the lives of key personalities from epics such as Ramayana, Mahabharata etc. should be enacted to help young minds understand the underlying message. Needless to say what would be the impact of such short plays on the minds of those who were directly involved. It is more likely that teachers might encounter resistance from senior students to participate in such events. But the challenge lies in making them understand the underlying motive and getting them involved.



Continuous efforts by all the stake holders in this direction would enable us to build a generation of learners who would preserve our rich cultural heritage. Only educational institutions especially schools can help achieve this target for our country.

## AN APPEAL TO ALL THE EDUCATORS OF INDIA

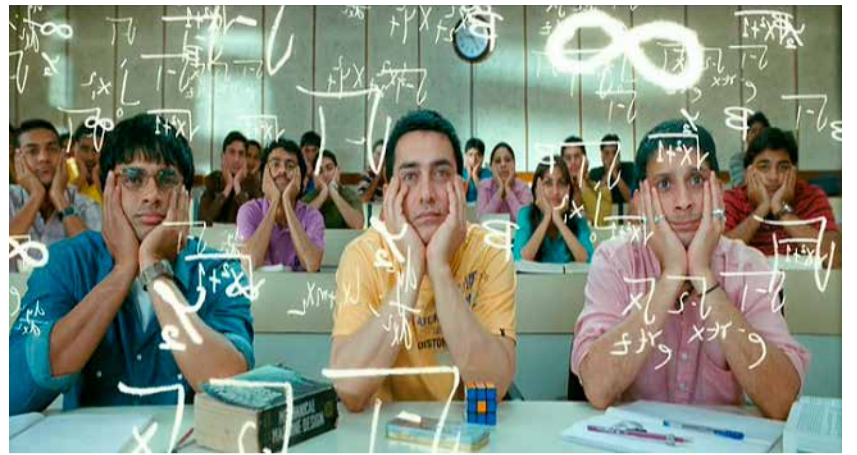
As Indians let us take pride in our own heritage and culture with more such celebrations and giving less room for DJ parties, fashion shows, ramp walks etc. which was never a part of our tradition. It is not bad to make the students enjoy their parties but it will be a great loss when the future generation will just follow that and forget our values. The heritage must go hand in hand. The choice lies with us to go with the wind or build within us the capacity to change its direction towards resourcefulness.

*"WHEN I READ THE BHAGAVADGITA AND REFLECT ABOUT HOW GOD CREATED THIS UNIVERSE EVERYTHING ELSE SEEMS SO SUPERFLUOUS."* —Albert Einstein

Our culture has divine powers to motivate the non Indians and follow it, then why can't we Indians ourselves cherish the values of it?



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EDUCATIONIST, MP



# BOLLYWOOD WITH Entertainment + Values

Hello to all energetic youngsters, Your age favors you in these days and your time is full of energy. The energy is flowing in your body like a water flowing in a furious river but we all know that if river loses its direction the calamity - flood can occur. The right direction establishes the civilization on the bank of river. Same way real and appropriate direction for 'Young' people is described by the 'Upanishad'.

*"युवास्यात साधु युवाअध्यायक आ शष्ठ द्रष्टि ब लष्ट तस्यात पृथ्वी पूर्णास्यात् ।"*

(Translation of the Shloka: If the young generation perceives selflessness, learning instinct, optimism and if they become physically & mentally sound, they can win the whole world.)

Dear friends, I know you must be thinking that these are only the unrealistic and big philosophical words. But let us come take a round of these five qualities by your favorite way...i.e. Modern Movie Examples



The first quality is "साधुता", generally as and when we hear this word our mind draws a picture of a person who wears saffron clothes with tilak on his head but the real description of this is a person who utilizes his energy to help other people selflessly. The Pavan Chaturvedi of "Bajrangi Bhaijaan" is the best example of this sadhuta because, Pavan takes all the pain for the betterment of the unknown Munni and that is the real Sadhuta. To get this energy the knowledge is the first step and therefore second quality is "अध्यायक" - Learner and for the clarity of this quality - the Rancho of 3 Idiots, is the best example. He was studying in college to get knowledge with application and not the first class.

The famous dialogue of the movie was by him "Excellence ke piche bhago safalta jhak marke aayegi", so acquire the real knowledge from wherever you can.

But in this materialistic world if you want to run behind the excellence you will need strong mental power i.e. - "द्रष्टि मन" because



other people may reject you and may neglect your ideas. In such situations, you have to be strong and you will need to perform with patience, only then your energy flow will be recognized. The greatest example in front of us is of a renowned actor; whose melodious voice was once rejected by Indian radio, Amitabh Bachan. But in that bad situation he handled his own mind and performance so now he is known as the king of voice. This is the real role model for "द्रष्टि मन".

But to possess the quality for "द्रष्टि मन" the base is optimism - "आशुष्टि", never be disappointed in life, throw out the pessimist words from your dictionary. Just remind yourself the scene of Bahubali. Many a times he failed to cross the "jal parvat" but he never got disappointed and stopped trying. With hard work, he touched the destination. So never forget that fortune favors the fighters, be optimistic and fight with hard work and your future has to change its way.

We are aware of the fact that all the good qualities can be achieved with a sound body. So, being physically fit is a necessity because if you want to do something for other people, or if you want to study for 4-5 hours continuously to become a good learner and if you want to fight with future with being an optimist, FIT body is a compulsion. Never forget that in every movie, heroes are the ones who perform and win ultimately.

Dear Youngsters, just close your eyes for 2 minutes and visualize you possessing all these 5 qualities! How your life will be changed is something you can imagine for yourself.



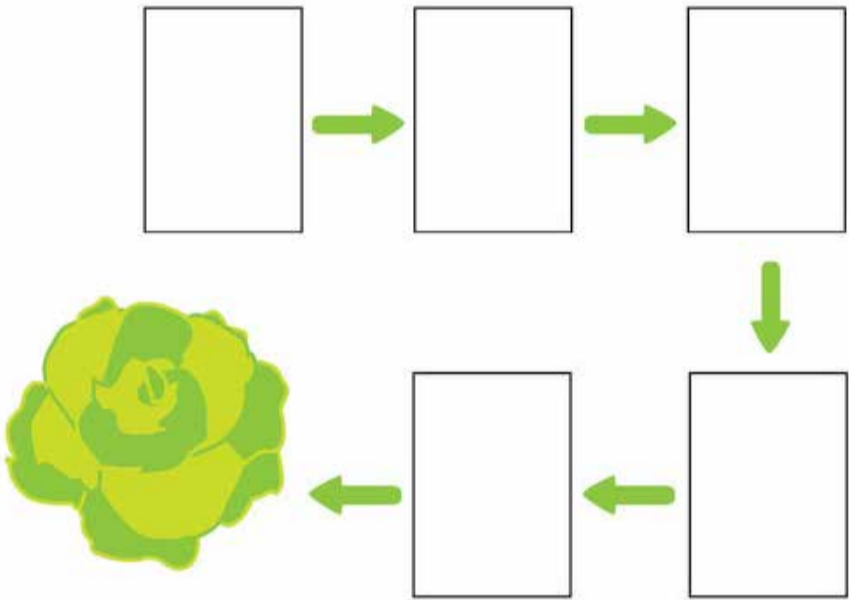
**KRUTARTH JOSHI**  
PRINCIPAL  
DAHOD

Find at least Six Differences

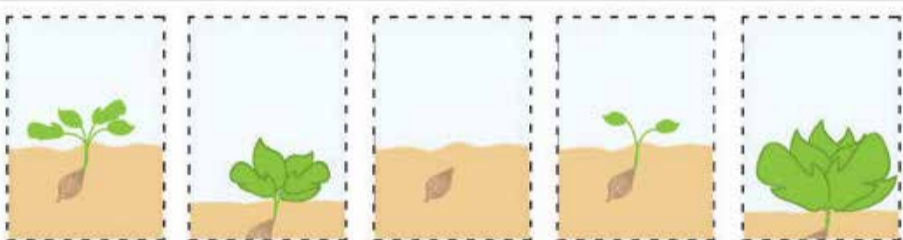


### HOW DOES LETTUCE GROW?

Lettuce grows when the average daily temperature is between 60 and 70 F. It should be planted in early spring or late summer.



CUT OUT THE PIECES AND PASTE THEM IN ORDER OF GROWTH



### SAY SHORT VOWELS

Sound out the words. Choose the word that matches the picture by filling in the circle.

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### DESCRIBE IT: FREQUENCY

An adverb is a word that modifies words other than nouns. Some adverbs describe how often something happens. Example: The mailman delivers letters daily. Read the sentences below. Fill the spaces with a word from the box that best completes each sentences

- nightly
 sometimes
 rarely
- daily
 yearly
- seldom
 monthly
 never

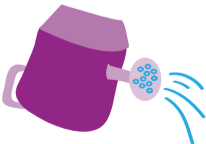


The owl howls .



The basketball team practices .

It rains  in California.



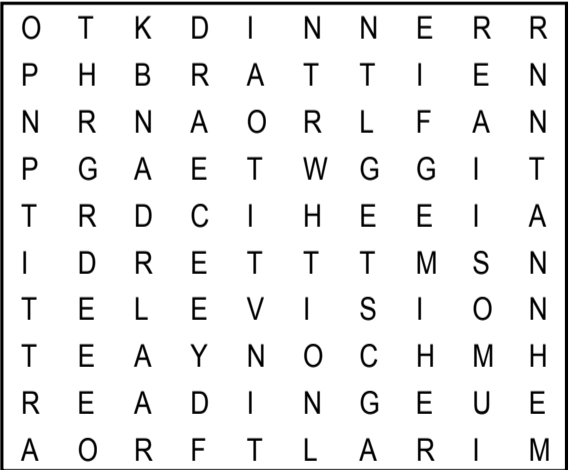
Mick  waters his plant, so it's not growing well.



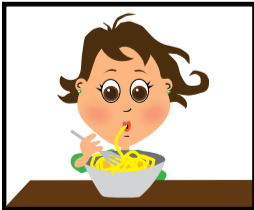
The magazine is delivered .

### AFTER SCHOOL WORD SEARCH

The words below are thing that you can do after school. Find and circle all the words below in the puzzle.



Dinner



Homework



Reading



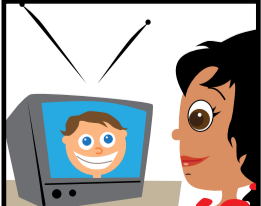
Practice



Bathtime



Television

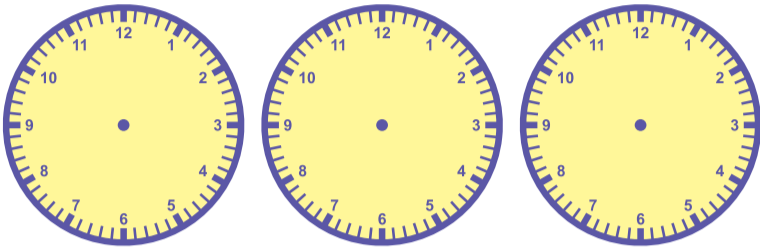


## CLOCK WORK

Write in the times shown on each clock below.



Draw the hands on each clock to show the times below.



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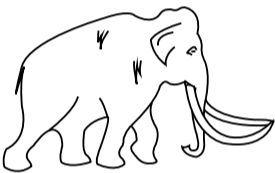
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2:35

## FOSSILS AND EXTINCT ANIMALS

### WORDSEARCH

- SAUROPOD
- MAMMOTH
- TRILOBITE
- ARCHAEOPTERYX
- MOSASAUR



- QUAGGA
- AUROCH
- CAMELOPS
- NAUTILOID
- CRINOID

T Y W S O H R B E N M A  
L C D V A U R O C H A R  
Z H S X K U L G P D M C  
A U E R F J R M I L M H  
B N Q I W D C O N M O A  
U S K T V M L S P U T E  
C R I N O I D A K O H O  
Y G R A T B N S L W D P  
I E Q U A G G A P V C T  
K U A R X Q S U N M U E  
X N T S L B D R P Y A R  
M A M C A M E L O P S Y  
T R I L O B I T E W Y X

## SUMMER NUMBER SEQUENCE

Put all the numbers below in order from least to greatest.

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10 2 17 8

5 19 14 1

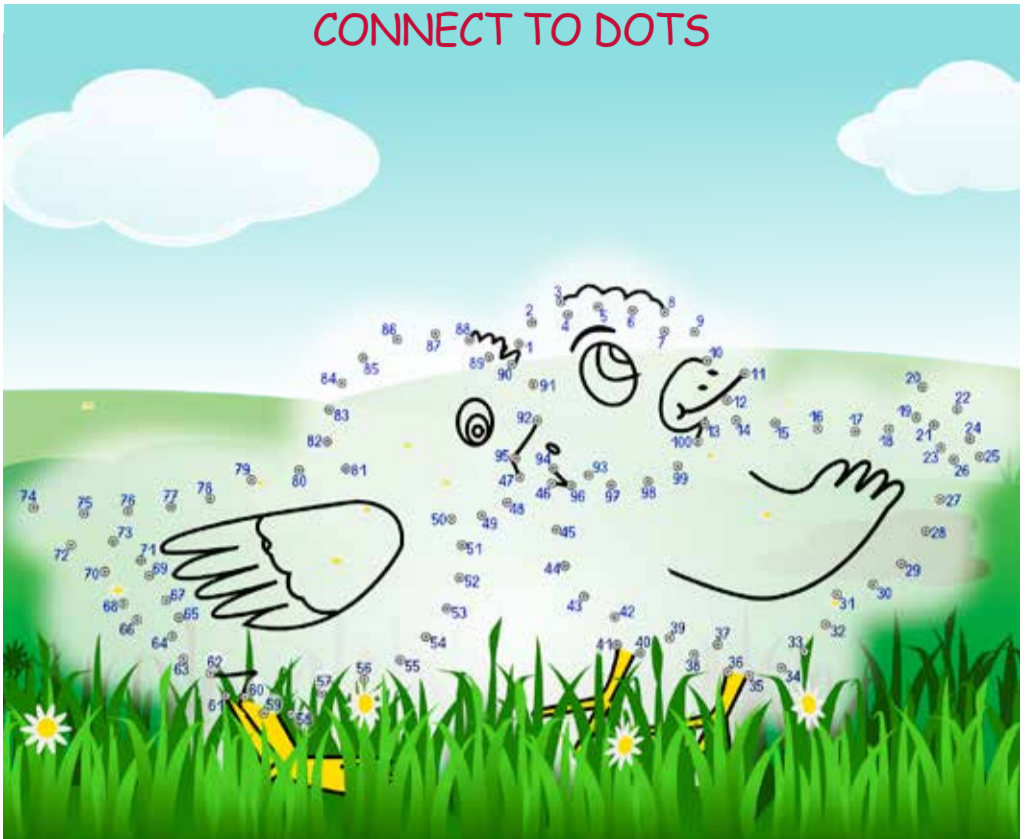
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## CONNECT TO DOTS



## SUDOKU

4	8	7		5			6
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		4		1	5	6	
1					4		5
	7	8	2				
					8		7
7	5						3
	2			3	7	4	1

**How to Play:** Fill each of the blank boxes with the number grid from 1-9, with no numbers repeating in vertical, horizontal rows or 3x3 grids. Do not repeat any letters in a line. Each puzzle has only one solution.

9	1	4	7	3	5	6	2	8
6	3	8	2	4	9	1	5	7
5	7	2	8	6	1	3	4	9
4	6	1	3	9	2	8	7	5
8	5	3	4	7	6	2	9	1
7	2	9	5	1	8	4	6	3
1	4	5	6	8	7	9	3	2
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## ANSWERS

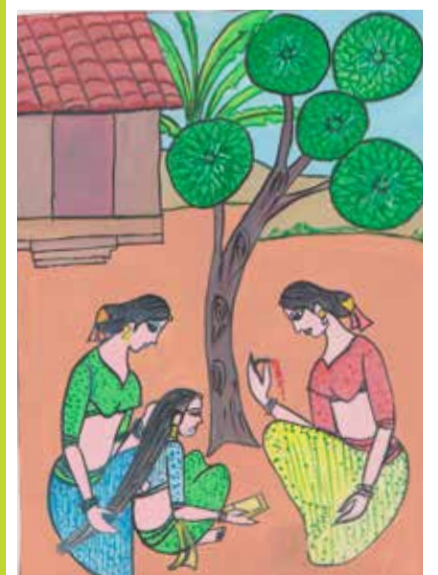
## ART CORNER



**SHAIKH GOUSIYA**  
SHRI LADHARAM SCHOOL,  
VADODARA



**PRIYA KABRA**  
ROSARY SCHOOL



**ARTI**  
ARJUN ENGLISH SCHOOL

## MATCH THE SHADOWS



# A Story of my MOTHER...

What is the first thought that comes in your mind when you hear the words mother, a housewife?

But when I think of my mother the only thing that I have in my mind is a teacher.

My mother was a house wife earlier but now she is a teacher. When I look up to her, I feel inspired.

Success is not only achieved by an organization or a company, people do succeed in their lives too. Like my mother has.

From being a housewife to now a teacher, it was not an easy job. It takes entirely different skills to be a teacher. She had never thought about being a teacher before we shifted to Ahmedabad. We used to stay in Kolkata. But 9 years ago we shifted to Ahmedabad. Till then my mother was introvert, shy and a home maker only.

She got this opportunity unexpectedly when she had gone to meet my principal. My principal, being impressed by her way of speaking English and her personality, offered her the job of a pre - primary teacher. She refused at first, but then she thought of giving it a try. And it's been 8 years that she is a teacher at Lalji Mehrotra



Lions School.

Once she started her job, I observed that she was becoming strong and independent. Now, she isn't dependent on my father or anyone to get her an expensive dress because she herself is capable of buying and that is what inspires me, to be an independent woman in life.

The success which she achieved was not any position on top level but the transformation she had from a home maker to a teacher.

She has also received an award for her outstanding services!

Success to her is not getting paid high or be in a high position. To her success is enjoying her job to the fullest. At first it was difficult to handle but now she faces the obstacles without blinking an eye lid. .

Not only my mom, there are so many mothers out there who are so successful in their lives; some are CEOs of some companies and some run business from home.

And my mother is one of those successful mothers! This was the success story of my mom and I'm so proud of her! And every mom has some success story of her own I would want other children to ask their moms what's their success story?

**JANWEE MUKIM**

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LML School

## A TALE OF TRUE EMPOWERMENT: MALALA YOUSAFZAI



On July 12, 1997, the girl who explained the true meaning of education was born. Malala Yousafzai, the girl is now a famous activist, the youngest Nobel Peace Prize winner and an ordinary girl who fought for her right to learn.

The girl was 8 when the TNSM (Tehreen-e-Nafaz-e-Shariat-e-Mohamaddi; English: Movement for the Enforcement of Islamic Law) started the set up of 'Radio Mullah'. According to the book, Malala-The girl who stood up for education and changed the world, the 'Radio Mullah' was first heard by Malala when she was at her relative's house in Mingora. When she first heard the 'Radio Mullah', she referred to it as a strange sob. The 'Radio Mullah' began imposing laws on the name of God, laws like 'Stop listening to music, Stop going to movies'. At first, Malala's mother enjoyed his sermons but gradually his poems became messages to motivate girls to stop going to school. Later the truth came out that the voice belonged to Maulana Fazlullah. Soon Maulana Fazlullah started attacking people who would speak out



against him. Malala quoted, 'Fazlullah moved slowly at first, but in the two years that followed the earthquake, he cast a long shadow indeed. I was growing up and, for the first time it occurred to me that our world was changing before my eyes and not for the better'.

The girl was 10 when she wanted to do something about the situation of

Pakistan. Fazlullah began to scare people by hanging bodies of people on the Green Square. Soon, the Taliban threatened Ziauddin Yousafzai, Malala's father for running a western school and letting girls study but her father, as brave he was, talked back to the Taliban. Malala quoted "I would hold my head high - even if my heart was quaking".

A light of hope came to Malala when Benazir Bhutto, the first female Prime Minister of Pakistan, returned from the United Kingdom but sadly she was killed. She was the first woman to be killed by the Taliban. After this the Taliban started attacking girls' schools in Swat. At this time Malala gave her first speech in Peshawar, Pakistan, in September 2008. The title of her speech was 'How dare the Taliban take away my basic right to education?'. When Malala was 11, her friend's father visited their house and gave the news that BBC (British Broadcasting Corporation) wanted someone from school to write a diary about life under the Taliban and she allegedly participated. She made her first diary

entry on 3rd January, 2009 with the title 'I am Afraid'. In order to hide her identity she used the pen name Gul Makai. She continued to speak out about her right, and the right of all women to gain education. She was nominated for the International Children's Peace Prize in 2011 and was also awarded the Pakistan's National Youth Peace Prize in the same year.

On October 9, 2012 she nearly lost her life for the cause. She was shot point-blank on her way back from school. She was in a critical condition. No one expected her to survive. The shooting resulted in elicited protests and her cause was taken up around the world, including by the UN special envoy for global education. Unfortunately, the Taliban still target her. On her 16th birthday, Malala delivered a speech on global education - her first public speech since being targeted by the Taliban for her commitment to education. She has continued her campaign and taken it around the world.

At the age of 17, she became the youngest to be awarded the Nobel Peace Prize. For her 18th birthday on July 12, 2015, also called as 'Malala Day', she took action on global education by opening a school for Syrian refugee girls in Lebanon. That day she asked her supporters on the Malala Fund website: "Post a photo of yourself holding your favorite book and why YOU choose #BOOKS OVER BULLETS and tell the world leaders to fund the real weapon for change, EDUCATION!" In October 2015, a documentary about Yousfzai's life was released. HE NAMED HER MALALA, directed by Davis Guggenheim. In April 2017, Malala was appointed as a UN Messenger of Peace to promote girls education.

This is a remarkable story of a girl who knew from a young age that she wanted to change the world - and she did it. It makes you believe in hope, truth, miracles and the determination of one person to inspire change.

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



## GENERAL KNOWLEDGE QUIZ

1. India's first freight village will be set up in which of the following cities?

- A. New Delhi C. Varanasi  
B. Udaipur D. Chennai

2. The World Milk Day (WMD) is observed on which date?

- A. June 3 C. June 4  
B. June 1 D. June 5

3. Who has become the first Indian woman to scale Mt. Everest from China side?

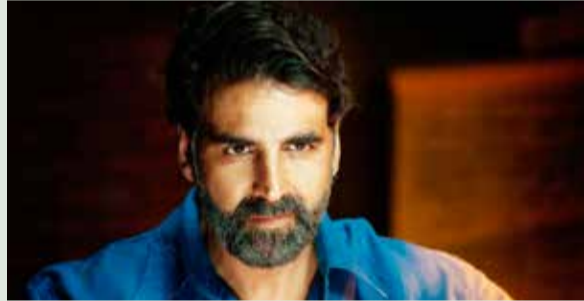
- A. Radhika GR C. Anita Kundu  
B. Anshu Jamsenpa D. Arunima Sinha

4. The Sri Venkateswara National Park is located in which state?

- A. Kerala C. Himachal Pradesh  
B. Karnataka D. Andhra Pradesh

5. What was the 2017 theme of World No Tobacco Day (WNTD)?

- A. Tobacco: deadly in any form or disguise  
B. Tobacco – a threat to development  
C. Tobacco kills, don't be duped  
D. Tobacco: deadly for human development



6. Which IIT institute has developed 'soil-to-soil' technology to manufacture cheaper, quicker and pollution-free bio fuel?

- A. IIT Bombay C. IIT Indore  
B. IIT Madras D. IIT Kharagpur

7. Who has won the 2017 Formula 1 Monaco Grand Prix World Championship?

- A. Kimi Raikkonen C. Valtteri Bottas  
B. Sebastian Vettel D. Daniel Ricciardo

8. Which Bollywood actress will be honoured with the Dadasaheb Phalke Award as Internationally Acclaimed Actress?

- A. Priyanka Chopra C. Deepika Padukone  
B. Aishwarya Rai Bachchan D. Sonam Kapoor

9. Before Akshay Kumar became an actor, he worked as a ?

- A. Waiter C. Clerk  
B. model D. Writer

10. Which film has won the Palme d'Or at the 2017 Cannes film festival?

- A. April's Daughter C. The Square  
B. Wind River D. Force Majeure



B, C, A, B, D, A, B, A, B, D  
ANSWERS

## VEDIC MATHEMATICS-1

How fast you can solve a problem is very important. There is a race against time in all the Competitive Examination. Only those people having fast calculation ability will be able to win the race.

Time saved can be used to solve more problems or used for difficult problems and Vedic mathematics will be useful in it. Here, we are starting a series of articles on different techniques of the Vedic Mathematics. Hope you will enjoy and learn something new and unique. Let's start with the few methods in this Article.

### MULTIPLICATION METHOD-1

- Multiplication near to the base
- Both the numbers are lower than the base.
- Multiplication using a base of 10

Example. 1: Find 9X 8.

Here base is 10

Deviation of 9 from 10 is -1

Deviation of 8 from 100 is -2

(9-2) or (8-1) / (1X2)

7 / 2

So, Answer is 72

Example. 2: Find 8 X 7.

Here base is 10

Deviation of 8 from 10 is -2

Deviation of 7 from 10 is -3

(8-3) or (7-2) / (2X3)

5 / 6

So, Answer is 56

### MULTIPLICATION METHOD-2

- Multiplication near to the base
- Both the numbers are higher than the base.
- Multiplication using a base of 10

Example. 1: Find 14X 16.

Here base is 10

Deviation of 14 from 10 is +4

Deviation of 16from 10 is +6

(14+6) or (16+4) / (4X6)

20 / 24

now (20+2)4

So, Answer is 224

Example. 2: Find 18 X 17.

Here base is 10

Deviation of 18 from 10 is +8

Deviation of 17 from 100 is +7

(18+7) or (17+8) / (8X7)

25 / 56

now (25+5)6

So, Answer is 306

### MULTIPLICATION METHOD-3

- Multiplication near to the base
- Both the numbers are lower than the base.
- Multiplication using a base of 100

Example. 1: Find 96X 94.

Here base is 100

Deviation of 96 from 100 is -04

Deviation of 94 from 100 is -06

(96-06) or (94-04) / (4X6)

90 / 24

So, Answer is 9024

Example. 2: Find 98 X 97.

Here base is 100

Deviation of 98 from 100 is -02

Deviation of 97 from 100 is -03

(98-03) or (97-02) / (2X3)

95 / 06

So, Answer is 9506

### MULTIPLICATION METHOD-4

- Multiplication near to the base
- Both the numbers are higher than the base.
- Multiplication using a base of 100

Example. 1: Find 106X 104.

Here base is 100

Deviation of 106 from 100 is +6

Deviation of 104 from 100 is +4

(106+4) or (104+6) / (4X6)

110 / 24

So, Answer is 11024

Example. 2: Find 98 X 97.

Here base is 100

Deviation of 108 from 100 is +8

Deviation of 107 from 100 is +7

(108+7) or (107+8) / (8X7)

115 / 06

So, Answer is 11556



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# KHAANPAAN-O-LOGY

Foodie greeting to all the prospective little chefs!



Chef Salla Vijay Kumar  
- IHMA

The academic year has started and as the new books and stationary covered your shelves, we are also adding a new 'Food Column' with one of our regular writers who is also a great chef, graduated from IHMA. Chef Salla Vijay Kumar will be contributing some fun, interesting, useful and delicious Food-O-Logy, which we will cover in our Khaanpaan-O-Logy section from now. This is the second Vegetable he is talking about. BRINJAL!

You love to hate it, but now start loving it!

Name of the Vegetable Brinjal

Binomial name Solanum melongena

Indian name Baingan

Reasons of dislike Appearance

After cooking texture

Bitter at times

Any combination

Medicinal Benefits Prevent heart disease

Controls blood pressure

Good for diabetics

Lowers cholesterol in the body

Gives your skin a natural glow

Good for your brain

Help you to quit smoking

Cures dysuria, flatulence, measles

Effective abscess, acid reflux, age spots

Low in calories & fat but high in soluble fiber

Take care about the To be avoided – skin diseases, ulcer, pregnant women

Can cause diarrhea

Can cause itchiness

Try to pre-prepare it well Use a stainless steel knife to cut

Cut when required, no standing time

Else cut and dip in salt water/ mixture of powdered spices or batter



## STUFFED BRINJAL WITH SOYA GRANULES

1 medium sized eggplant, cut into half, lengthwise

### STUFFING

- 50 gm soya granules, soaked in hot water and drained
- 100 gm capsicum, finely chopped
- 1medium tomato, finely diced
- 10 gm coriander, finely chopped
- 1/2 tsp of red chili powder/ white pepper/ black pepper
- 6-7 no. basil leaves (optional)
- Salt and pepper to taste

### TOPPING

- 100 - 200 gm of cheese

### METHOD

1. Cut the brinjal lengthwise

2. Scoop the inside of the eggplant and sprinkle with salt, pepper

3. Deep fry or bake in oven smearing a little oil

4. Soak soya granules in hot water and drain. Prepare the stuffing with above ingredients and cook well

5. Fill the stuffing into the scooped fried brinjal half.

6. Top it up with grated cheese and bake

7. It look good as it resembles little pizzas, cheese favorite and protein rich soya in it.

8. Have it as it is and you can sprinkle some chili flakes, oregano and sauce... choice is yours.



It always seems impossible until it's done. —Nelson Mandela



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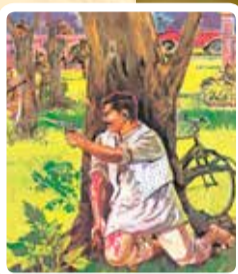
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# CHANDRA SHEKHAR AZAD

Chandra Shekhar Azad was born on 23rd July 1906 in Bhara Village of Slirajpur district in Madhya Pradesh. His mother's name was Jagrani Devi and Father's name was Sitaram Tiwari. He received primary education in Kashi. He was a nationalist since his childhood. His famous public announcement was 'I have been free and I will forever be free.'

He participated in Non Cooperation movement in 1922 due to which he was arrested for the first time. He was so young that police did not have handcuffs of his size. In the court when he was asked for his name, he replied "Azad (Free) is my name, Freedom is my father's name and his residence is prison." After this incidence, he is known from the name "Azad" itself.

He also took part in train robbery at Kokari station. Forty revolutionaries were arrested but Azad managed to escape with his wit. The British even announced a bounty to catch him. Azad had taken a vow 'not to be caught alive'; thus on 27th February 1931 when he was surrounded by the British police in Alfred Park of Allahabad, he shot



himself dead with a gun under a tree before the police caught him. It was said that the policemen were so scare of Azad that they shot two to three bullets into his body to confirm his death before they stepped closer to his body.

The park where he died is renamed after him and is called as 'Chandra Shekhar Azad Park'. Salute to this hero and his wit. One should proudly remember such warriors! Paying tribute to his sacrifices on his birth day month.

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# The face behind Google SUNDAR PICHAI

Pichai Sundar Rajan, widely known as 'Sundar Pichai' is an Indian-American business executive' the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Google. Pichai Sundar Rajan was born on 12th July 1972 in Madurai, Tamil Nadu. He is son of Laxmi and Raghunatha. Sundar Rajan grew up in a two room apartment on 46th street, 7th avenue Ashok Nagar in Chennai. Sundar completed schooling in Jawahar Vidhyalaya, a CBSE board School in Chennai. From IIT -Kharagpur, Pichai completed an engineering degree in Metallurgical Engineering. He achieved M.S degree from Stanford University in Material and Engineering. He achieved MBA from Vertton School of the University of Panilvanya where he was named as Siebel and palmer scholar respectively. Pichai is married to Anjali and has two children.

Sundar is also interested in soccer and cricket. He joined Google in 2004 as a product manager and later the innovative efforts for several Google products including Google chrome browser which became highly



successful, eventually took him to manage the other products of Google like Gmail, Google and Google docs.

Sundar Pichai is the man behind the Google, the most important search engine so far. Sundar Picha has citizenship of The United states and Nationality of Indian American. His salary is about 199.7 US million Dollars and his net worth is 650 US million Dollars.

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Saurav Ganguly was born on Jul 08, 1972 and the place was Kolkata, Bengal. Affectionately, he is known as Dada in his Indian Cricket history. His height is 5 ft 11 inch. He played as a Batsman and his playing style was left handed, bowling style was Right-arm medium in Indian cricket team. He played for Kolkata Knight Riders, India U19, Asia XI, India, Pune Warriors, Sachin Blasters and Libra Legends. He is married to Dona Roy since 1997 and a proud father of a daughter Sana Ganguly.

Ganguly holds a special place in Indian cricket history. For a specific time in his playing days, he was once the most hated and most loved player at the same time in the team. His captaincy tenure has got to be one of the most recounted ones in recent times. More than his proficiency on the off side, he was known for his prolific partnership with Sachin in ODIs to his run in with Greg Chappell. It is his role as a captain in shaping up a young team for which he is most remarkable. He took over at an unrestrained time in the wake of the match fixing epic and along with the likes of Anil Kumble, Rahul Dravid & Sachin Tendulkar and fake a team that was difficult at home and more than competitive overseas. His relationship with John Wright, India's first foreign coach proved to be the substance for India's commendable show in away tears. Ganguly emphasize on the need to be courageous and led by an example in this aspect. His ability to get under the skins of the opposition was built up over time and his hasty atti-

# SAURAV GANGULY

tude earned him quite a few call ups into the match referee's cabin but Ganguly was persistent and believed that the attitude helped India move forward. His actions were backed with performances on the field too. He finished his career as India's most successful captain and led India to a World Cup final in 2003.

The Ganguly Era, those heady 2000s,



changed Indian cricket and the mood of the fans. Foreign coach, physios well-versed in modern science, trainers with global outlook got a fitter, sharper, more contented Indian team recording historic home triumphs and a few epochal overseas wins. Ganguly had a way with his boys, and the men, those stalwarts with better skills than him. He got the best out of them. In return, he would fight for them when in meetings with administrators and selectors.

For all his success as captain his batting form took a turn for the worse during his time as captain. Ganguly erupted into collective memory in 1996 with continuous Test hundreds in England. Afterward he started to open the innings along with Sachin Tendulkar in ODIs. The duo formed what were perhaps the most dangerous opening partnerships in ODI cricket history, but his success in the shorter format did not translate in an equal measure in tests. Ganguly worked over



by the bowlers in the longer format and his absence against short pitched bowling was picked up by bowlers and captains the world over.

Ganguly retains his fascinating ability to attract attention much like his playing days when things like him waving his shirt on the Lord's balcony, his coming late for the toss etc. grabbed headlines. He has also taken a new avatar as a TV analyst and commentator, but he remained an active player in the domestic circuit, even three years after his retirement he played both in the Ranji trophy and the IPL with irregular success until 2012.

The Government of West Bengal honored Ganguly with the Bangla Bibhushan Award on 20 May 2013. He was also awarded the Padma Shri, one of the highest civilian awards in India, in 2004. He was awarded Rammohan Roy award 2004 for outstanding performance as captain



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There can be no keener revelation of a society's soul than the way in which it treats its children. —Nelson Mandela



The most important roadblock in any student's life is when he/she is standing at the staircase of their career but isn't sure whether to take the step further towards a career which their parents wish for, or towards their peers and friends went for, or towards something that excites them. The stereotype career options might sound boring, but they have relevant theories of success when people in the past have opted for it.

Presenting some of the career options jotted down by a 12th grade student for rest of the prospect candidates standing there in confusion for choosing a career after their Science stream studies.

A journey of thousand miles begins

# CAREER GALORE!



with a small Step..."

"I'm still confused..." one often hears these words from teenagers who are confused about what to study and what career to choose after 12th science.

You must remember that just completing one course does not fetch you a good job. One must look for different components that can add to one's profile. Choosing a career is a big deal and before choosing the right career you must identify and analyze your areas of interest in science stream. So, here are some career options that one can pursue after twelfth in science stream.

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## B.SC. FOLLOWED BY M.SC.



Many students consider the above two courses to be glamour-less. That is because they are not much aware about the career opportunities that they offer. Apart from a teaching career, the above courses also open doors to a career in Research and Development. Our country is facing a dearth of qualified scientists. Gujarat Government came up with an initiative to rope in topper students to B.Sc. and M.Sc. courses. The Government, in a bid to attract the toppers of each school to a career in Research and Development, offers a scholarship for 5 years!!!

So, don't underestimate the opportunities that the above courses offer.

## BDS AND CAREER IN DENTISTRY



Dentistry is becoming more and more saturated each day. Unlike MBBS, many colleges are there which offer this course. Thus the numbers of graduates are increasing. Based on how skillful you are, you can build a rewarding career in this field!! Like MBBS, PG and super specialty branches are also there in this field.

## MBBS AND A CAREER IN MEDICINE



Well, this is for those who are ready to live a busy life!! I mean, to be a good doctor, you must be ready to sacrifice a lot. In our society, a doctor is often seen as god by many. The profession of a doctor is well respected in the society. But at the same time, this career is also very demanding. First of all, just getting MBBS degree won't suffice. Nowadays, doing a Post graduation courses after completing MBBS has become a necessity!! In fact, the trend of going for super specialty courses is fast catching up!! This means that a student, who is interested in making a career in this field, must have patience. Because completing all these studies and internships takes many years!! Further, doctors are like perpetual students!! They keep on learning new things throughout their lives!!

## CAREER IN CIVIL AVIATION AS A PILOT



Well, this is very glamorous and high paying profession. First of all, you have to be medically fit and satisfy certain physical and medical standards. You must then undergo the commercial pilot's training to acquire a

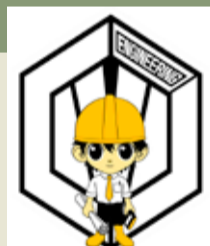
license. This training is bit costly, you know!! If flying is your passion and if you can't afford to undergo commercial pilot's training, you may join the Indian Air Force and become a pilot there.

## CAREER IN VETERINARY SCIENCES



Like human beings, animals too suffer from diseases. In India, Animal Husbandry is flourishing. Thus, there are physicians in India who looked after the health of animals. You may build a great career in the Government sector or private sector after doing these courses. People are so busy, gazing at MBBS and BDS that they are missing this course, which provides great opportunities!!

## ARCHITECTURE AND INTERIOR DESIGNING



It involves drawing plans etc. So, if you dislike designing and drawing plans, this career is not for you! Architecture is tough; my friends who did it say so!! But if you are skilful enough, a promising career lays ahead. You may join the public sector, private sector or even start your own firm!!



## BAMS DOCTOR



Well, this is the ayurveda stuff. Upon completing BAMS, you'll get the title of a doctor, but an ayurvedic one. Right now, Ayurveda is preferred by many, thanks to it being free of side effects to a large extent.

## CAREER IN THE ARMED FORCES



The armed forces- Navy, Army and Air force wants the best men and women to join them. NDA (National Defense Academy) exams will open doors to a career in armed forces for students who have passed/are studying in 12th science.

## CAREER IN THE FIELD OF PHARMACY



B.Pharm followed by M.Pharm will help you build a promising career. You may become a lecturer or research scientist after completing it. Another good course is Pharm D. It is like a combined version of B pharm, M pharm and bit of MBBS!! Pharm D graduates are in great demand abroad!! Choose any one of these and pursue your successful career...

**Bagged the trophy of Special Jury Award at YCI 2017 shot by NDTV Goodtimes!**

This article is the second part of my journey at Young Chef India 2017. I feel this article is mandatory and is dedicated to some lovely people mentioned below. Not only them, but I have come across some more real people in my life. In the May 2017 edition of The Open Page I had written that I'm waiting for the final results and mega finale of the show Young Chef India Schools 2017 was to be telecasted on NDTV Goodtimes channel.

Well, I have received the results. All the time that I had dedicated to this competition was fruitful. Although I couldn't make it to the title, yet I bagged the 'Special Jury Award'. This award means that critically the dish was scored the highest by the judges, but due to fewer votes I wasn't the winner.

That feeling of victory when I heard my name being announced as the jury award winner, I couldn't help smiling! I won the jury award which proves that my dish was better than all the seven other dishes! The prize means no less than the title to me! Family, friends, neighbors, was there anybody who

# EFFORTS PAID OFF!



frustration, "I can't do it!" - I spoke "This is not a piece of cake but I can definitely do it!" with uttermost confidence. It was with his help that I cracked the finale rounds with flying colors! All of my buddies were extraordinary at work, taught me new tactics, and looked after my safety in the kitchen.

My elder brother, Sandip Ganwani has had all the dishes I've made with full excitement. I and Sandip are the only ones who eat non-vegetarian food in my family. I used to try out a lot of recipes and he used to



the accompaniments in the Zonal Final Pune round. While on his round, Chef Kak saw me adding raw turmeric to my paratha stuffing. He asked whether I was sure as according to him adding raw turmeric would give a pungent taste on tongue. I was scared as I had already added a teaspoon of raw turmeric to all the rice I had boiled. Moreover I had no more time to boil the rice all over again and make another stuffing so I carried on cooking as this wasn't the first time I was making those parathas. When I served my dish, Chef Kak was the happiest to eat and he couldn't stop munching the paratha slice on his plate. All the three chefs



pinpoint flaws! He used to say, "Ekta, I'm risking to eat food made by you!" I used to jokingly beat him up for not appreciating the dish at once no matter how tasty it used to be! Brothers are always like that! Even friends like Karan Patel insisted upon trying dishes prepared by me and the praises by him boosted my confidence even more.

Meeting Chef Sanjay Kak, culinary director at I.I.H.M. Delhi, Chef Shaun Kenworthy, culinary director at I.I.H.M. Kolkata, and Chef Kunal Kapur, celebrity chef at I.I.H.M. was once in a lifetime opportunity! I have some interesting conversations to share with my dearest readers from the time I spent with these chefs.

I had prepared rice parathas as one of

ate the whole paratha I gave them separately - don't you call this cloud nine happiness?

Another instance was when I had cut my finger in the very beginning of Zonal Final at Delhi while chopping carrots and my finger didn't stop bleeding. I cried out loud out of nervousness of not being able to complete my dish on time

but when I came to know that mine was the first one to be completed among the eight finalists, gave me the feeling of accomplishment. Chef Shaun approached to ask whether I was feeling okay while he saw me cooking in complete tension. He made me laugh by saying, "Ekta, I miss your hearty laugh dear!"

My crush chef Mr. Kunal Kapur had visited my working station in the last fifteen minutes of the cook-off. He checked one of the four components of my dessert i.e., maalpuas. He checked whether they were soft by touching them and showed a thumbs-up to my buddy Akshat standing beside me. Akshat knowingly didn't tell me about it as he knew I would have lost concentration due to immense happiness in the crucial time of plating!

My favorite incident of all was the time when Chef Kunal, after all the praises of the dish said, "Ekta, your dish is as pretty as your eyes!" I swear I would have swooned at that very moment!

Chef Kak recognized me and asked me to confirm whether I was the one who participated the last time as well. Better moment was when he praised me as he said, "You've developed that taste in your hands this time! Well done, Ekta!"

I.I.H.M. plays a really important role in my life! Had the Young Chef competition not been there, I would still only be preparing tea in the kitchen. "From the girl who once prepared bitter most watermelon slush in the kitchen, can now easily cook well flavored, well cooked and moist chicken!" I can't believe this, can you?

When my principal and school teachers see me walking in the corridor, they smile looking at me with great pride in their hearts and double the shine in their eyes.

The enormous lesson I learnt from this big fat journey of two years with Young Chef India 2016 and 2017 respec-



tively is, To Never Give Up! A lot many times in life we feel that even after putting in a lot of efforts we are unable to succeed. This is the time when we mustn't stop trying! In fact, we should try just one more time because we never know what surprises God has planned for us!

I have made a cute bunch of friends from I.I.H.M.

Kudos to those supporters.

Bow to the voters.

Hats-off to the helping buddies.

Hearty thanks to Dr. Suborno Bose and that every person who made this competition to take place in real!

Salute to maa-papa-granny who made me believe that I could really make it to the finals!

These are the unforgettable days of my life! If you don't call this success, then I don't know what!



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# LEARN BY ERROR...

## Error Identification and Rectification

This statement recalls me of one of my own learning in the field of computer networks. In computer networking there are two situations for data communication:

- 1) Error Detection: This is the phase when the computer is capable for detecting an error in the communicated data and asks for resending of the data.
- 2) Error Correction: This is the phase when the computer that detects the error also runs an algorithm to solve the error by eliminating the need for resending the data and avoiding data clogs.

Thus, detecting that there is an error is 50% of solution while finding what the error is and getting it rectified solves it to 100% and thereby eliminating the need for asking or resending of data.



I would like to connect this to the learning we receive in the class. As students we always get instructions from our teachers but hardly a few of us would follow it to 100%. Hardly, a few students would understand what teacher actually asked us to do when we received the instruction and within this few students only a few would actually react back with the answer or submission that the teacher asked for.

We often encounter this scenario in our day to day life and hardly notice that we can easily overcome this hurdle by the concept of "Learning by Error". This is because we don't do the task at all in fear of getting the task done wrongly and getting it back for redoing. Nobody is an exception to this. Recently my daughter; who studies in 6th grade, avoided doing a project just because she felt that she might do it wrong and



would get it back for redoing.

The fear of doing the task wrong again discourages us to attempt the task for the first time itself. Thus it is very essential for us to overcome this fear of ours and start making some efforts so eventually we would make right efforts to benefit the situation. Let us try to understand what does it mean to learn by error?

### Learn by Error:

As they say that 'A mistake is the stepping stone to success', an error is a lesson in itself. Nobody labels us as failures before we put down our efforts to do the task again. Learn by error suggests:

1. Do the task
2. If the task is completed correctly then you are done with the task
3. If the task is not correct then identify what is not correct? Where the mistake is?
4. Once identified, try to solve the error and go to step 1.

### Error Identification and Correction:

Knowing that there are some errors and the task is not rightly done - is the first step to success. Having the guts to accept that there are some errors and maybe I am at fault - is the second step

learnt from the fable. Now, Kishan without making any effort for resubmitting the assignment feels that teacher rejected his assignment and got discouraged to work again. In this case the loss is on Kishan's side that he is reluctant to improve and work. Instead, Kishan must ask the teacher about what exactly is missing in the assignment and make sincere effort of getting it done correctly without taking any judgement for the work or for the teacher.

Kishan can resubmit the assignment by just filling the lesson learnt from the fable. If Kishan does the later part then we can say that Kishan has learnt by error and by doing so, he will be more cautious the next time and may progress towards error identification and correction before submitting the assignment. This increases his chances of success.

Like Kishan, we should make sincere analysis of our work before submitting it and if we are not satisfied with our own work then we should revise before submitting it.

Thus, error identification and correction will help you develop a habit of analysing your own work before submitting, improving on your weaker areas thereby making you strong and error free. The first step towards this is to identify that there is an error in our effort and having the guts to accept it.

'Learn by error ... error identification and rectification' is a beautiful concept that will devoid you of the necessity of having a wrong dialogue and generating a wrong conclusion. Implement this concept and see the difference in your own output. So learn by error, don't be afraid of doing the task just because it could be erroneous. Even if there is an error then at least you made an attempt is more important than not attempting at all. This time the attempt is erroneous but next time I am sure you will pass through your attempts error free.

Wish you all the best!



taken towards solution and accepting the error and correcting it - is the final step for achieving success. Mostly, we stop at the first step i.e. we make the error and then we don't even make an effort to know what error we made and subsequently no curiosity to know how can we correct it.

As students we never bother to ask the teacher where the fault is and thus end up achieving non desired results. If we have the guts to ask the teacher about the fault we made and if we have courage to rectify the fault then success can surely be achieved.

Let us take an analogy, to understand the concept better. Imagine the teacher gave you an assignment of writing a fable and submitting the lesson learnt from it. A student Kishan submitted the fable but unfortunately the teacher rejected the assignment suggesting him that he did not write the lesson



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It does not matter how slowly you go as long as you do not stop. — Confucius



As the 'World Nature Conservation Day' is round the corner (28th July), let us study about live example of such work in Our's Own Country.

One common feature that is widely prevalent in all our memorable photos especially in social media is the foreign locations and foreign flora and fauna. Ever wondered we have an amalgamation of all that world has to offer in India? I am and always am proud of being an Indian. Please don't confuse this with mere patriotism; I sincerely appreciate the wonders of the world for their existence. I just want to make my statement that so much of diverse species and nature is in abundance, we seldom explore.

Let's ask ourselves a small question, "How many places of scenic beauty have you explored near your home or in reach?" I am under the belief that we try to go places for various reasons, one being leisure and vacation. We don't have to make a resolution, but try and reach places of heritage, nature, adventure, etc. May be we were missing something somewhere.

The main purpose of tourism is not just reaching places, some photos, transport or food etc; it is also preserving the nature in its original form. If we can list tourisms that deal with conservations, the first thing that will develop is the governments concern in doing the needful. May be you are right but what about you, me and us? Don't we have our responsibility in this regard? Leaving behind for the children is wise thinking; but we definitely are experiencing whole lot of ourselves too.

I was thrilled to see God's own country slogan, Kerala tourism work and efforts put in. More so I was delighted to have the entire human force dedicated to the cause of nature conservation. We are aware about Kerala. One popular theory derives "Kerala" from "Kera" (coconut tree in Malayalam) and "alam" is land, thus "land of coconuts". The state is wedged between the Lakshadweep Sea and the Western Ghats. Kerala experiences the humid equatorial tropic climate. Geographically, Kerala can be divided into three climatically distinct regions: the eastern highlands; rugged and cool mountainous terrain, the central mid-lands; rolling hills, and the western lowlands; coastal plains.

Most of the biodiversity is concentrated and protected in the Western Ghats. Three quarters of the land area of Kerala was under thick forest up to 18th century. As of 2004, over 25% of India's 15,000 plant species are in Kerala. Out of the 4,000 flowering plant species; 1,272 of which are endemic to Kerala, 900 are medicinal, and 159 are threatened. Its



9,400 km of forests include tropical wet evergreen and semi-evergreen forests. Altogether, 24% of Kerala is forested. Three of the world's Ramsar Convention listed wetlands—Lake Sasthamkotta, Ashtamudi Lake and the Vembanad-Kol wetlands—are in Kerala, as well as 1455.4 km of the vast Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve. Subjected to extensive clearing for cultivation in the 20th century, much of the remaining forest cover is now protected from clear felling.



Kerala's fauna are notable for their diversity and high rates of endemism: it includes 118 species of mammals (1 endemic), 500 species of birds, 189 species of freshwater fish, 173 species of reptiles (10 of them endemic), and 151 species of amphibians (36 endemic). Other plants include bamboo, wild black pepper, wild cardamom, and the calamus and palm, and aromatic vetiver grass, *Vetiveria zizanioides*. Indian elephant, Bengal tiger, Indian leopard, Nilgiri tahr, common palm civet, and grizzled giant squirrels are also found in the forests. Reptiles include the king cobra, viper, python, and mugger crocodile. Kerala's birds include the Malabar trogon, the great hornbill, Kerala laughingthrush, darter and southern hill myna. In the lakes, wetlands and waterways, fish such as kadu; stinging catfish and choottachi; orange chromide—*Etroplus maculatus* are found.

Kerala's culture and traditions, coupled with its varied demographics, have made the state one of the most popular tourist destinations in India. This is truly nature in abundance. The efforts put in by various stakeholders towards the conservation are worth mentioning. Here are a few listed for you:

1. Being instrumental in taking care of the flora and fauna in their respective individual localities.
2. There are some who profess no plastic. "Our ultimate aim is to reduce the plastic waste. We need to give people smart alternatives for plastic-based necessities if this has to work and moreover, youngsters should also make that a style statement. That's how we came up with the idea of foldable, stylish cloth bags that are easy to use.
3. Working on e-waste. It's the educational institutions of the State that add most to this junk pile. However, many campuses now are selling the e-waste and gaining a good source of income.
4. The campus of P T M Government College in Perintalmanna, Malappuram, will soon be a haven of birds. The college recently became the first in Kerala to launch a project to attract migrant and local birds to their 25-acre campus.
5. Rainwater harvesting like we all know. "We have built a few huge storage tanks on top of our buildings to collect rainwater, and they are directly connected to pipelines. On the campus too, rainwater is harvested through conservation pits, which further fill up the wells and ponds."

When we talk about India, a little motivation from Kerala can do wonders. I am sure all of us at one point of time have already been striving to do a lot much than the world is aware. I appreciate your efforts from the core of my heart. Let us collectively unite to take conservation as a social responsibility. We all pledge to come together to plant saplings. Once the day is over, the plants are mostly forgotten. Let us not restrict it to a momentary spectacle instead take care of them with a conserving attitude. We don't have to spend hours or days just the bit required as and when.

Try devising workable models of any of the above or many more options; so that it can be reproduced for the betterment of mankind at home, school or office. Lot of science exhibitions has the rain water harvesting concept. Before we can talk about it, ask yourself whether we can work by avoiding plastic bags etc in our daily work schedule. Because like charity begins from home, so is nature conservation.

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# Remembering Eminent Personalities on their Birthdays coming in July month



**6th July: Dalai Lama** - Dalai Lamas are important monks of the Gelug School, the current Dalai lama is the 14th Dalai lama.



**18th July: Priyanka Chopra** - is an Indian actress, singer, film producer, philanthropist, and the winner of the Miss World 2000 pageant. She is recently working in few Hollywood films and TV series as well.



**18th July: Nelson Mandela** - was a South African anti-apartheid revolutionary, politician, and philanthropist, who served as President of South Africa from 1994 to 1999.



**23rd July: Bal Gangadhar Tilak** - born as Keshav Gangadhar Tilak, was an Indian nationalist, teacher, social reformer, lawyer and an independence activist.



**25th July: Jim Corbett** - was a British-Indian hunter and tracker-turned-conservationist, author and naturalist, who hunted a large number of man-eating tigers and leopards in India.



**29th July: Jehangir Ratanji Dadabhoi TATA (J.R.D TATA)** - was a French-born Indian aviator, entrepreneur, chairman of Tata Group and the shareholder of Tata Sons.

## INTERNATIONAL YOGA DAY CELEBRATION AT LML SCHOOL



LML School has been celebrating yoga day every year. This year also it was celebrated with full enthusiasm. We had our assembly in the morning, after which we celebrated the yoga day on 21st June, 2017. One of our teachers guided us in doing the 'Yogaasanas'.

We started by doing the warm-up exercises and then we did 'Tadasana'. In a properly aligned Tadasana, the spine is in its optimal position and the body is anatomically erect. Then we did 'Vrikshasana'. It stretches our body and is good to do if one faces stress and anxiety. Followed by which we performed mighty range of 'Pranayamas'. We did the 'Udgeetha Pranayama' first and the chanting of Om resonated in our school building making it pious. This pranayama is an excellent breathing exercise and cures insomnia. It also controls blood pressure. Then we did the most famous 'Kapalbhati Pranayama'. It is a breathing exercise that helps to oxygenate the body while strengthening the muscles of your stomach and abdomen. These respiratory exercises (Yoga) help to induce a calming effect on the mind rapidly. Yoga day was celebrated by all the students with full concentration and was spent happily.

Carol Patel and Maanvi Gupta, Class IX, Young Reporters, LML School



## COW FACE POSE

### BENEFITS

- Stretches the ankles, hips and thighs, shoulders, armpits and triceps, and chest

### DESCRIPTION

- Sit erect on the ground with your legs stretched out in front of you.
- Now gently bend your left leg, and place it under your right buttock.
- Fold your right leg and place it over your left thigh.
- Place both your knees close together as they are stacked one on top of the other.
- Gently fold your left arm and place it behind your back.
- Take your right arm over your right shoulder, and stretch it as much as you can until it reaches your left hand. With practice, you will be able to not just reach, but also catch your left hand.
- Keep the trunk erect, expand your chest, and lean slightly back.
- Hold this pose for as long as you are comfortable, as you breathe slowly and deeply. Concentrate on your breathing.



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# GOLDEN JUBILEE YEAR CELEBRATION OF TRIPADA'S BAL RATHYATRA



Tripada celebrated its glorious 50 years of establishment. The Foundation Day was on 25th June 2017, Sunday, with the 50th Bal Rath Yatra it continued its epitome of cultural congregation infused with sanctity. Mr. Archit L Bhatt, the Managing Trustee of Tripada Education Trust informed that, "It is a privilege to organize this 'Bal Rath Yatra' since last 50 years in the areas of western Ahmedabad. As it was the golden jubilee year for our Bal Rath Yatra, we tried to make the 2017's celebration as grand as possible for all. 15 renowned delegates from different sectors with few well-known Institutions were a part of this time's Bal Rath Yatra."

The Rath Yatra contained a main 'Rath' of Lord Jagannatha, his sister Shubhadra and Brother Balram along with a camel cart carrying the three gods with few little girls on it. It had 8 decorated Trucks, 25 Tractors, 2 Camel carts and students' band of Tripada Schools. The students had prepared and performed acts like Garba, Judo-Karate, Yoga Postures, Gymnastics, Malkham and other entertaining tricks to impress the audience on their Rath Yatra route. The 5000+ people witnessing the Rath Yatra were blessed with the 'Prashad' of approx 200 kg including 80 kg of Mung (Sprouts), 60 kg of Jamoon Fruit and 60 kg of Cucumber. Snacks and cold drinks were a treat to all. The 'Sola Bhagwat vidyapith' was an immense part of the Bal Rath Yatra this time and personalities like 'Shee Bhagwat Rushiji' were present to bless one and all.

The Balrath Yatra, cited as the paradigm of an illuminative conclave blended with sanctity for Lord Jagannath, his elder brother Balabhadra and sister Subhadra was taken out by the 2800+ students of all Tripada Schools, faculties and employees of Tripada Parivar. Bal Rath Yatra also exemplifies a social change in this cavalcade that education is a weapon to change, education can awaken souls. 50th Bal Rath Yatra rounded off for a new beginning and awaiting for the momentous celebration of 51 years of its establishment next year.



## BLOSSOMS PRIMARY SCHOOL'S ANNUAL FUNCTION



**B**lossoms Primary School situated at Nehru Bridge Corner, Khanpur, Ahmedabad, held its Annual Function at Town Hall in February, 2017. The theme was "Family Relationship". The programme was intended to teach good values to children and not to forget their parents during their old age.

The school works hard to teach discipline and inculcate good culture in students. It was a lesson that they should take care of their old parents when they grow up and not to leave them in Old Age Homes and get rid of their responsibilities.



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