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October – A Month of Values, Festivals and New Beginnings

October is a special month filled with festivals, celebrations and meaningful lessons. As the weather begins to change, nature brings a pleasant feeling of freshness and joy. The month reminds us of the importance of truth, peace and non-violence through the birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi. Festivals like Dussehra celebrate the victory of good over evil, it spreads the message of hope and happiness. October is also a time when families come together, homes are decorated, and hearts are filled with warmth and gratitude. The month inspires us to follow good values, respect our traditions, care for others and welcome every new beginning with positivity.

HIGHLIGHTS

- The Reading Enrichment
- Academic Activities
- Eco Club Activities
- Library Activities
- Inter School Competition
- Cultural Connect: Celebrating Grandparents Day
- Robots in Action, Minds in Motion!
- Communication Lab – Building Confident Communicators
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The Reading Enrichment



A dedicated reading session for Grade 2 was designed by the teachers to enhance students' reading fluency, pronunciation, vocabulary, comprehension and confidence through level-based activities. Students were engaged in guided reading, individual reading, storytelling and comprehension exercises suited to their reading abilities.



Joyful Learning Day



Academic Activities



Spin the Wheel of Stories... discover characters, morals and magic in every turn!





Academic Activities

Little Vloggers, big discoveries! Exploring India, one state at a time!







Academic Activities

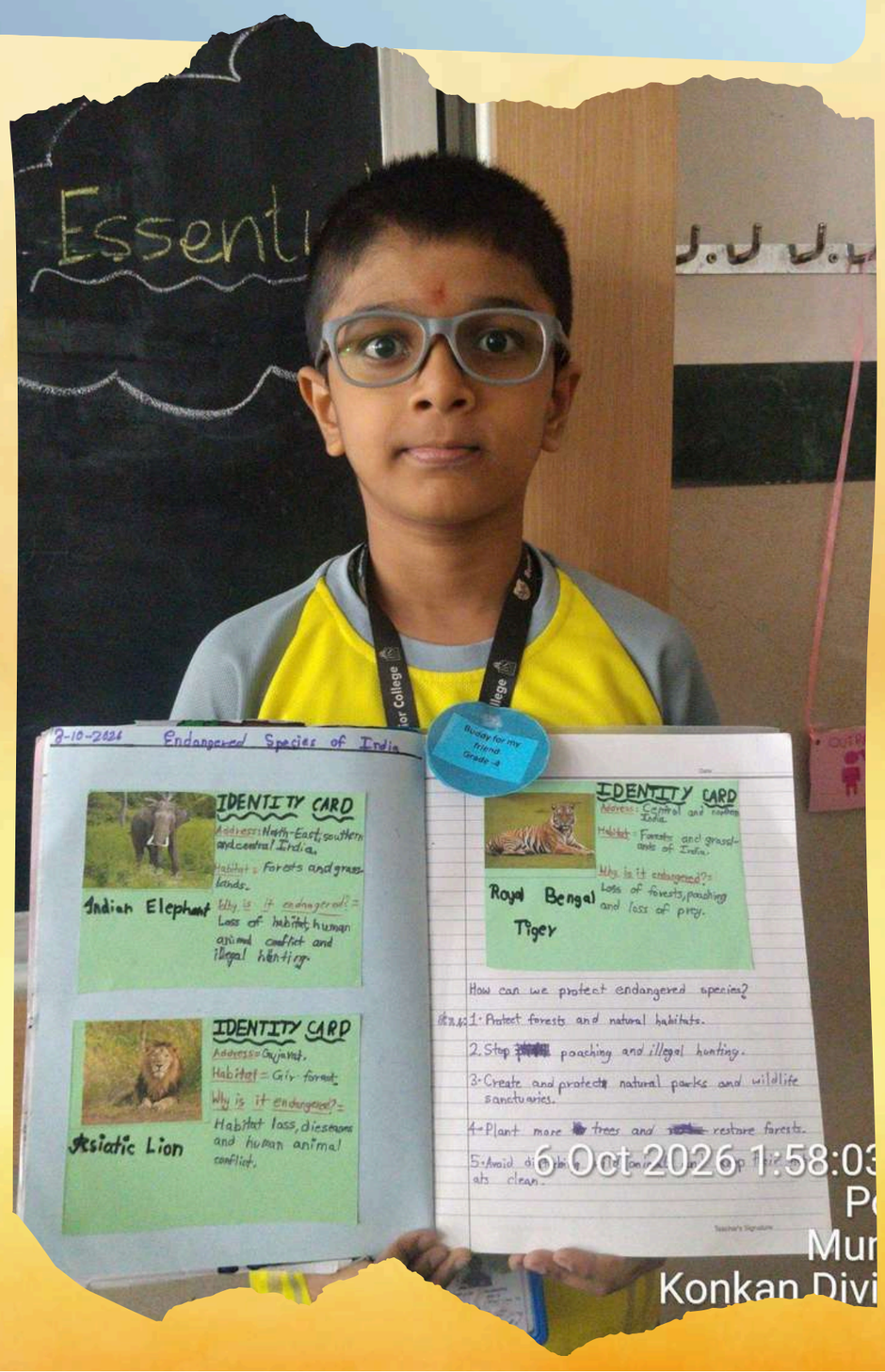
From Paper to Flight: A Hands-on Investigation
Turning Curiosity into Scientific Discovery





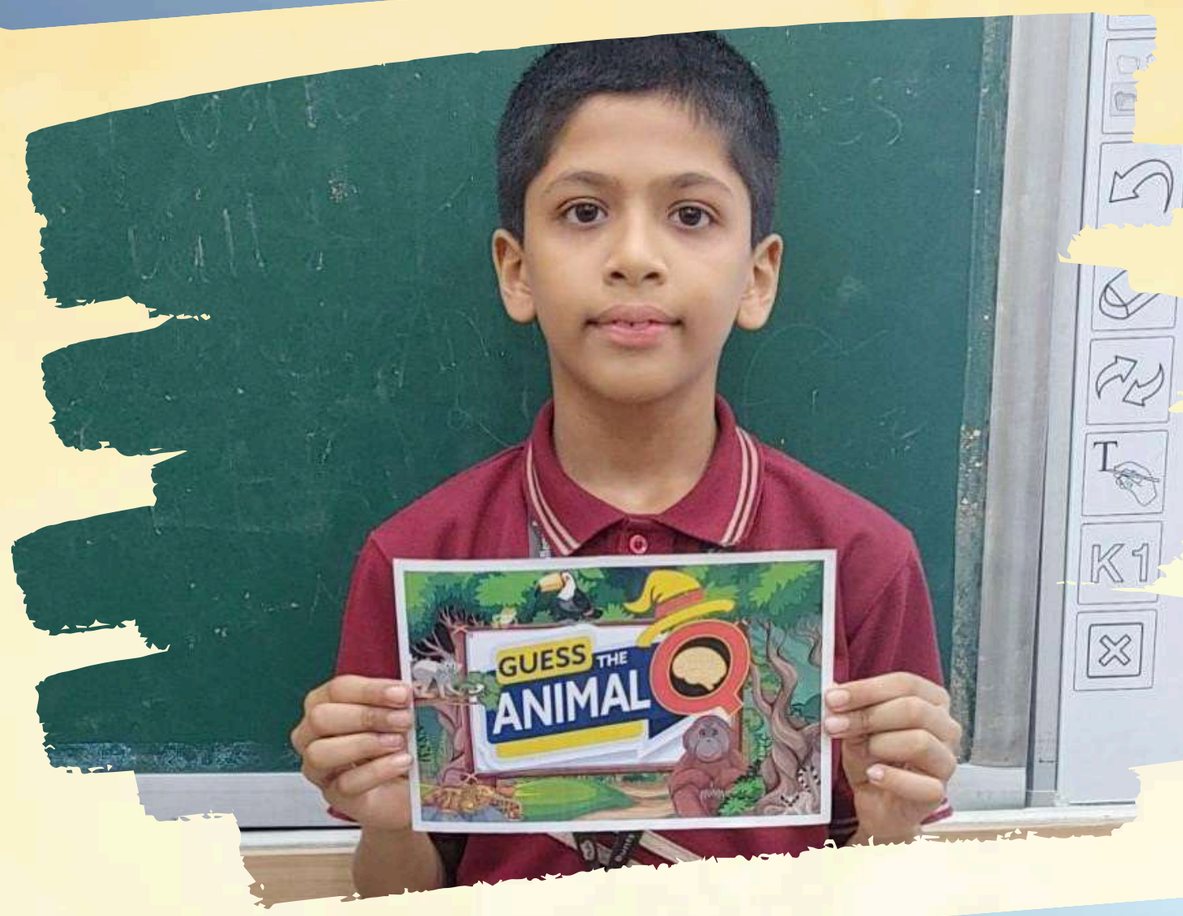
Small Actions, Big Impact!
Spreading Awareness About Endangered Species.
Every Species Counts!

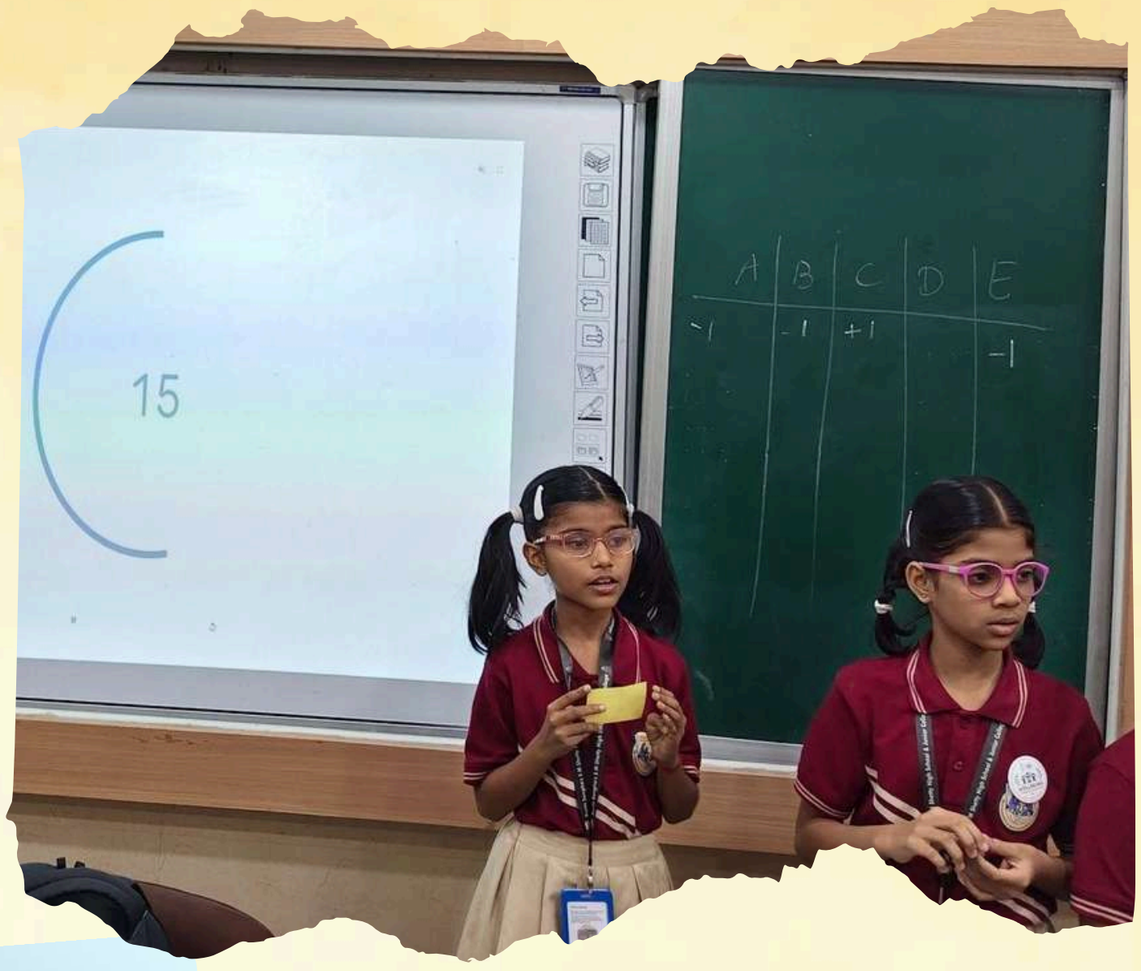




Academic Activities

Survival Secrets of the Animal Kingdom! Learning One Question at a Time





Art Meets Science! Exploring Animal Life Cycles Through Gond Art

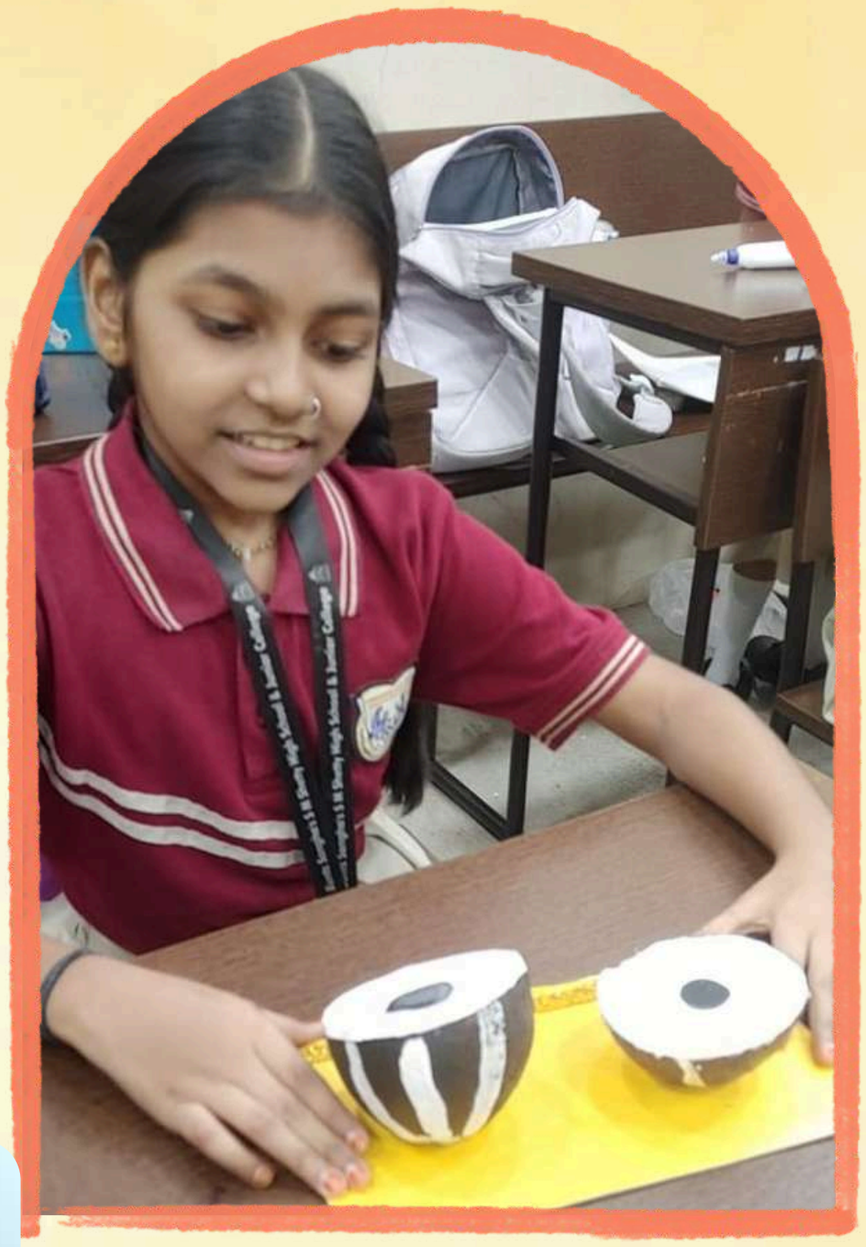




Eco Club Activities









Small Steps Today, Greener Tomorrow!



Eco Club meets Math Club – Patterns in Harmony

Library Activities

Students participated in Poem Recitation, Reference Reading, and Hindi and Marathi storybook reading to enhance language skills, grammar, comprehension and confidence. Reading Inspiration Day was celebrated throughout the second week of October to honour Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam and promote reading habits.







Inter School Competition

St. Xavier's High School & Junior College, Bhandup, celebrated its Platinum Jubilee under the theme "Aarohan." As part of the celebrations, several activities were organised with great enthusiasm. One of the cultural events was "Best Out of Waste," which encouraged creativity and innovation.

We are proud to announce that Master Abdul Batin of Grade 4 emerged as a prize winner in this event. Congratulations to him on this wonderful achievement!





Inter School Competition

Gandhi Smarak Nidhi, Mani Bhavan Sangrahalaya, Mumbai organised various competitions for students to celebrate the life and teachings of Mahatma Gandhi. Students participated enthusiastically in the various Competitions and won special prizes.



Special Prize for an inspiring Hindi One-Act Play titled "Hum Sab Ek Hain".



Aarohi Waze
Special Prize for
Individual Acting





Riya Karande
Special Prize
for
English Poem
Recitation

Akshit Yadav
Special Prize
for
Hindi Poem
Recitation

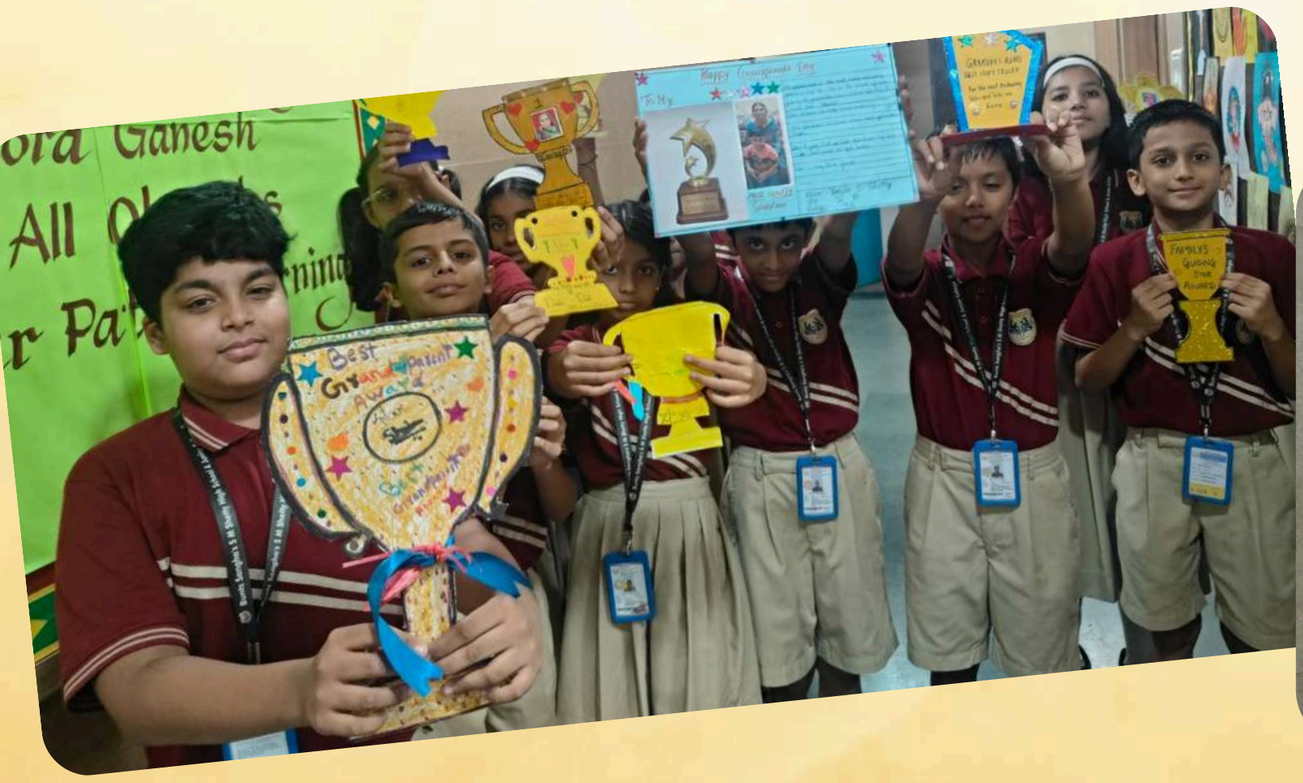
Cultural Connect: Celebrating Grandparents Day

As part of Cultural Connect, Grandparents' Day was a beautiful celebration of love, family, and togetherness. Students created special awards celebrating their grandparents' unique qualities, such as "Best Storyteller" and "Master Chef." Presented at home, these handmade tokens brought smiles, joy, and heartwarming moments to families.

A heartfelt thank you to all our grandparents for their endless love, guidance, and inspiration!













Robotics

Robotics in Action: Full Swing, Full Josh, and Endless Innovation!











Inspiring Young Innovators, One Robot at a Time!









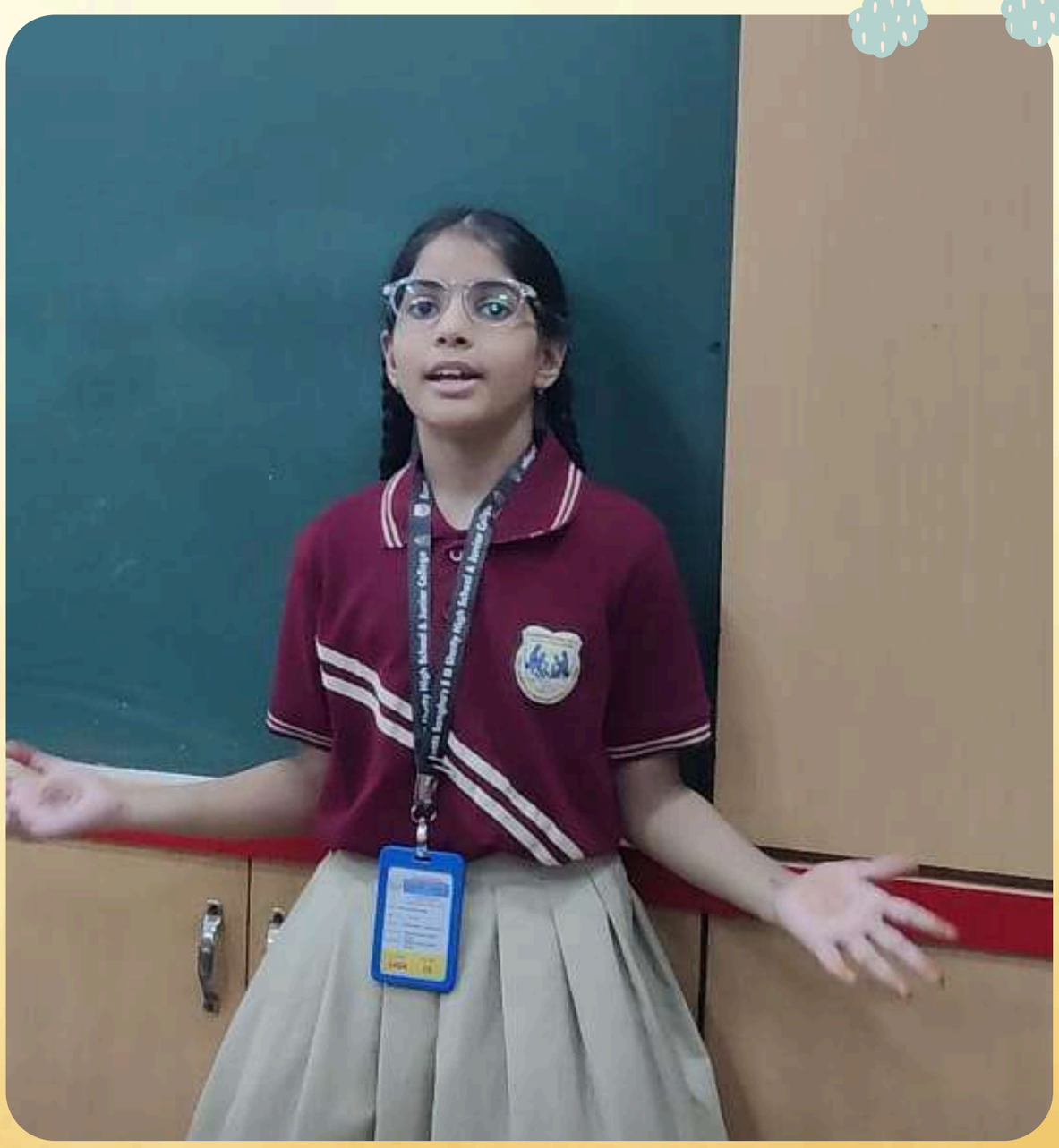


Communication Lab:
Building Confident Communicators



The Communication Lab came alive with a range of engaging activities designed to build confidence and enhance students' communication skills. Through interactive experiences, students explored expression, intonation, body language, vocabulary, and effective speaking.

Sudents presented an engaging skit on Global Handwashing Day.



When Words Meet Expression!



Students brought Winnie the Pooh to life with a sweet, gentle voice and adorable expressions!

Sports Corner



Keep the ball rolling,
keep the game alive.





The Final Spin



Sports Corner



Pick, place & Run



Perfect Poise







Circle Bound



Glimpses of Diwali Celebration

















Dear Parents,

As we come to the close of our First Term, our little ones are all set to enjoy their much awaited **Diwali Vacation**. Let us make this break more than just a holiday from school a time to slow down, reconnect as a family, and create beautiful memories that our children will cherish long after the festivities are over.

In our busy lives, we sometimes underestimate the magic of simple moments. A bedtime story, cooking a festive treat together, decorating the home, playing a game, or simply listening to their endless stories can mean the world to our children.

Let us make this vacation truly special!

- Spend quality time with your children. Laugh together, talk to them, listen to them, and make them feel loved and valued.
- Encourage them to explore their creativity through art and craft, reading, outdoor play, and simple activities that help them learn new skills.
- During the vacation, children may also be given a few meaningful **home assignments and creative activities** to encourage independent learning and reinforce classroom concepts. We request you to gently guide and supervise them wherever needed, while allowing them the freedom to think, explore, and complete their work independently.
- Involve them in Diwali preparations and help them understand the values of sharing, kindness, gratitude, and spreading happiness.
- **Celebrate a Green and Safe Diwali!** Encourage children to celebrate responsibly by choosing eco-friendly ways to spread festive cheer and minimising the use of firecrackers. If firecrackers are used, ensure that children handle them only under close parental supervision, following all safety precautions. Let us make Diwali a celebration of happiness, togetherness, and care for our environment..
- Encourage healthy eating, adequate hydration, sufficient rest, and a healthy balance of fun and relaxation.
- Most importantly, allow your children to unwind, rejuvenate, explore, and enjoy the simple joys of childhood.

Dear Parents, childhood passes by quicker than we realise. One day, our little ones will grow up, but the memories of decorating the house together, sharing festive treats, laughing over a family game, and feeling safe in our arms will stay with them forever. **This Diwali, let the brightest lights be the smiles on your children's faces, and the most precious gift be the time you spend with them.**

May the festival of lights fill your homes with happiness, your hearts with warmth, and your lives with peace, prosperity, and togetherness. Wishing all our little ones and their families a **very Happy, Safe, and Joyful Diwali!**



Happy Diwali

The Festival of lights

May this Diwali bring you good health,
wealth, and happiness.