

#### **Mahavir Senior Model School**



# Literary Bytes English E-newsletter Session- 2021-22











#### FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK



Language is the road map of a culture.

It tells you where its people come from and where they are going.

As the third most widely spoken language in the world, English is commonly used around the world as a trade and diplomatic language. It is the language of science, aviation, computers, diplomacy and tourism. It is also the language of international communication, the media and the Internet.

When taught to students, English broadens their mind, develop emotional skills, make them more confident, enhances their communication skills and makes them appreciate life around them. It is also the basic language for mastering other subjects.

Understanding the significance of English language in the contemporary world, we, at MSMS, engage the learners actively in innumerable, enriching and enjoyable activities. These diverse activities aim to develop linguistic skills and therefore enhance the learning of the students and increase their achievement. These activities enable the students to be active class members, thus strengthening their learning further.

Our able faculty members, under the strong leadership of Mrs Kanchan Naswa, HoD English ensure that children learn language in a friendly and relaxed atmosphere, express themselves freely and improve their own abilities of learning. Instead of the traditional teacher-centred methods, we focus on unconventional teaching strategies with the student at the centre. At every step and in every class, we encourage learners' interaction, positive attitude, collaboration and team spirit., thereby creating a conducive atmosphere where the students are able to overcome language learning hurdles and are motivated to take learning as a challenge.

This newsletter depicts as to how we not only strengthen the linguistic skills of our learners, but also instill values like sharing, respecting, collaborating and cooperating with others among students and create a meaningful context for language learning. Because we know and understand that

Language is a treasure that will follow its owner everywhere.

Ruchika Sukhija

Principal

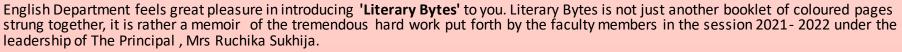


#### **Message From The Team Leader**

"Language is the blood of the soul into which thoughts run and out of which they grow."

~Oliver Wendell Holmes.

#### **Dear Readers**



When the world was reeling under Corona Crisis and then gradually staggering to attain normalcy after shedding COVID - 19 off it's sleeves, English Department of MSMS kept rolling throughout and invested it's thoughts and time either in upgrading their skills or trying to provide their students the opportunities to showcase their talent and unleash their linguistic potential.

Language is a undoubtedly a vital tool for communication. It is not only a means of communicating thoughts and ideas, but it builds friendships, economic relationships and cultural ties. A Language shapes the way people perceive the world. Proper learning of language helps in not only shaping our personality but in enhancing happiness quotient by giving wings to our thoughts which we need to express both in good and not so good times.

We understand the significance of synchronised expression of thoughts and ideas both in verbal and written form and that it was necessary to keep linguistic skills afloat during COVID CRISIS. We realised that it was more important than ever before to keep our students distracted from negativity and nothing could have been better than engaging them in plethora of literary activities where they could express their innate thoughts without inhibition.

LITERARY BYTES is a gateway to all the activities designed under the guidance and supervision of Principal Ma'am in the unique online academic session in the history of school education by the ENGLISH DEPARTMENT OF MSMS.

Faculty members of the English Department are immensely grateful to The Principal, Mrs Ruchika Sukhija for her unconditional support. She consistently inspires us by her commitment, dedication, positive outlook and innovative ideas.

The saying goes, "Indians in blood and color but English in taste, and intellect".

We will consistently endeavour to build such Indians.

Wishing you soulful and joyful reading.

Kanchan S Naswa

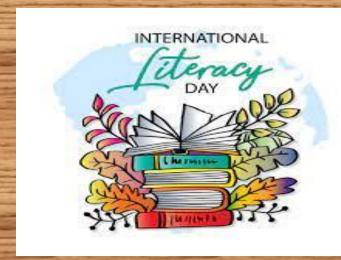
**HOD ENGLISH** 







## Celebration of Special Days at MSMS





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Every year, Mother's Day is celebrated to appreciate mothers, who play an immensely important role in one's life. This special day is celebrated every year on the second Sunday of May. This year it will be celebrated on May 9, 2021.Class IV students were told the significance of Mother's Day and asked about what makes their mothers or mother figures special. Learners of class IV were guided and encouraged in their first Fun with English session on 7.5.2021, to write names of their mothers or mother figures in beautiful handwriting and decorate them using their creativity.

#### **MOTHER IS A BLESSING**













#### **Empowering Women**

<sup>66</sup> The Most Fearless Indian Women <sub>99</sub>



Women Empowerment/International Girl Child International Day is an international observance day declared by the United Nations





English Department, MSMS organised Poster Making Competition for class VIII on 8th October 2021 to integrate this day with an approach to teaching in which students constructed and demonstrated thier opinion on the role of women in the society through an art form. The children made beautiful posters to give the message which made immediate visual impact on the students.







## **Kindness- The Greatest Virtue**

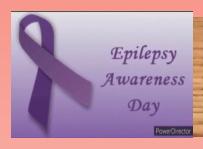


**World Kindness Day 2020 is** celebrated across the globe on November 13 every year to encourage the values of humanity which can further help in building the world into a better place. World **Kindness Day was celebrated** in MSMS by encouraging children to perform different acts of kindness such as helping the elderly or someone in need.

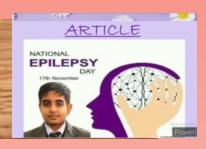
Children were told that kindness can be expressed even by thanking your teachers, parents, elders, and other people, feeding poor children or people with proper meal, taking care of your surroundings like cleaning roads and parks near-by. Children also shared their own experiences and acts of kindness they witnessed through stories and anecdotes. They made posters and slogans to showcase value of







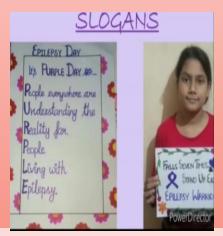
#### Celebrating National Epilepsy Day



In India, November 17 is observed as National Epilepsy Day to create awareness about Epilepsy. Students of Class IX-C celebrated this day with the aim of raising awareness amongst themselves and others about this brain disorder. Various activities were conducted in the class enabling students to present their thoughts and understanding in their own creative ways. Students were engaged in Poster Making, Slogan Writing, Article Writing and Poetry Recitation. This gave them an opportunity to increase their understanding of the disease and to eliminate the fear and stigma around it.















#### Celebrating Human Solidarity Day

Let us stand in Solidarity, not to a specific country, race or religion but rather to Humanity. The United Nations' International Human Solidarity Day is annually held on December 20 to celebrate Unity in Diversity. It also focuses upon achieving goals set for worldwide poverty eradication. To instill the value of Solidarity, English department of MSMS celebrated Solidarity Week. Students were emboldened to perform several activities that served as a tool to teach them about solidarity.



INTERNATIONAL HUMAN SOLIDARITY DAY December 20, 2021



#### <u>International Human</u> Solidarity Day



#### WHY IS THE DAY CELEBRATED

The day is celebrated as a reminde to all the member countries about their international agreements on need of human solidarity as an nitiative to fight against poverty.

A Free Economy and Strong Communities Honour the Dignity of Every Person

Rewarding Effort With Justice,

Promoting Upward Mobility,

and Building Solidarity Among Citizens.



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#### **E-posters, Speeches & Case** Study



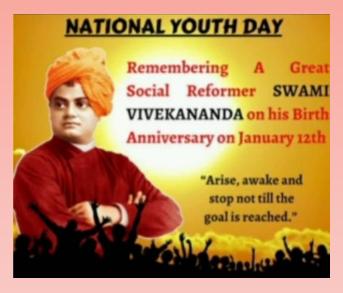


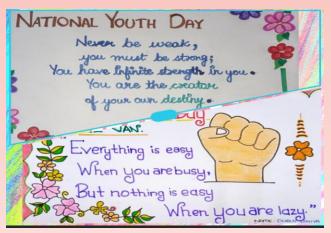






#### Mahavirians celebrating National Youth Day





National Youth Day coma also known as Vivekananda Jayanti is celebrated on 12 January, been the birthday of Swami Vivekananda. In order to honour Swami Vivekananda principle and ideal, young Mahavirians were engaged in plethora of activities.

#### ART INTEGRATED LEARNING

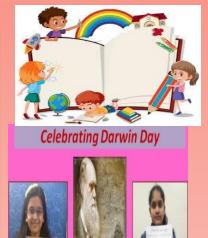


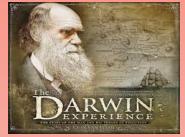


### DARWIN DAY CELEBRATION

Darwin Day is a celebration to commemorate the birthday of Charles Darwin on 12 February every year. The day is celebrated to highlight his contributions in the field of Science and promote the use of scientific concepts in our daily lives.

The celebration of this day was spread out from 4 Feb to 10 Feb 2022. The students of Grade V presented their views on themes-Importance of Charles Darwin Day, creating a Darwin timeline, facts about Sir Darwin and Darwin's Theory of Evolution. The students were engaged in research work and they gained hands on experiences to learn and explore about the theories of Charles Darwin.









## MULTIDISCIPLINARY APPROACH OF LEARNING







#### Celebrating World Radio Day







World Radio Day is celebrated on 13
February each year. The day was decided by UNESCO on 3 November 2011 during its 36th conference. This day is celebrated to spread awareness among the people about one of the most powerful mass medium - RADIO. To commemorate this day, the students of classes II - IV participated in the plethora of activities such as Slogan writing and creative writing on

importance and history of radio.







#### **Fostering Cooperative Learning through Role Play**

An activity on Character Portrayal was conducted in Class IX on 12<sup>th</sup> February 2022. They analysed the scene and the characters and wrote dialogues and enacted it in the classroom and through the online mode.

This language activity was conducted, with the following objectives to be fulfilled:

> Exposure to the deeper understanding of the situation from different

perspectives.

> Enrich the creativity of the students.

Explore and flourish the theatre skills.











#### **Enhancing Linguistics Skills**

Incorporating role-play into the classroom adds variety, a change of pace and opportunities for a lot of language production and also a lot of fun. It can be an integral part of the class and not a 'one-off' event. Keeping the above objectives in mind, a Role play activity on Literary piece - Amanda, was conducted in Class X















#### Gifted Orators



Debate as an activity provides a platform to enhance critical thinking skills, acquisition of better poise, speech delivery, and public speaking skills. It also leads to enhanced teamwork skills and collaboration.

With the objective to generate effective critical thinking, to hone public speaking skills of the students, and train them to be articulate while expressing their thoughts and opinions, a Debate session was organised for class 10 students. The topic was integrated with literature poem - A Tiger in the Zoo. The session was a kaleidoscope of opinions, thoughts, ideas and perspectives.



#### **Speaking and Listening Activity**

Students of grade XI were engaged in a set of Speaking and Listening tasks, giving them opportunities to foster linguistic and public speaking skills.



#### **INTRA CLASS COMPETITIONS**













#### **Idioms Galore**



A Story Narration Session was organised, on 31st May 2021, for class X students, wherein they had to take up an idiom, and weave a story based on it. The students prepared the stories based on the Idiom they had selected. They further underwent the redrafting of the compositions, and improvised over their stories. The Learners internalised the use of idioms and proverbs, to convey a message, through the stories framed. Integrating the language with artistic and IT skills, the students prepared props, complimenting the stories. Taking a step ahead, the narratives were presented over a larger platform, as an Intra- class presentation as well as competition. The objective of providing vocabulary enrichment, with an underlying effort to put across some of the core values and skills to the young minds, was achieved to a satisfactory level.





#### Masqueraders

A character portrayal competition was organised on 23rd July2021, for class IX students, wherein they had to pick up a character from their textbooks and emulate it, supplemented with costumes and innovative props. The students dressed and spoke like the selected characters, so we had Ustad Bismillah Khan, Evelyn Glennie, Albert Einstein, A.P.J Abdul Kalam on stage.

Students prepared their presentation based on the characters that they had selected. They drafted the speech of the characters pertaining to the factual and fictional description given about them in the text and immersed in that, complimenting it with suitable props and costumes. They also integrated their IT skills while presenting in the class. Taking a step ahead, it was taken to a larger platform, as an intra class competition.







### Fostering Cognitive Development

An intra class competition was organised for class II on 08.02.3022 in which they talked about their favourite mind games. These games are for brain development and are extremely important to facilitate the changes going on in the brain and body of a child. They are also used to teach Important academic concepts in a fun and easy way. Games enhance social skills by teaching how to manoeuvre different social situations by using a set of skills and it also find ways to be mentally fit. The students came up with interesting games like Stroop effect, Pictureka, Chess, Ludo, Rubik's Cube, Sudoku etc.



## **Spell Bee Competition**

An Intra Class Spell Bee **Competition was organised for** the students of Grade IV and V on 9 February and 10 February respectively. It enabled them to get a platform, to retain spellings, improve accuracy, enrich vocabulary bank and develop the use of correct **English.** The theme of the competition was Festivals and Seasons. The event comprised of three rounds: Spell O Check, Rapid Fire and Tie Breaker.

The participants were not only able to foster their linguistic skills, but also learnt that with teamwork and collaboration wonderful things can be achieved.







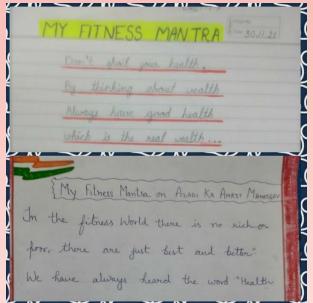


#### **Health and Wellness**



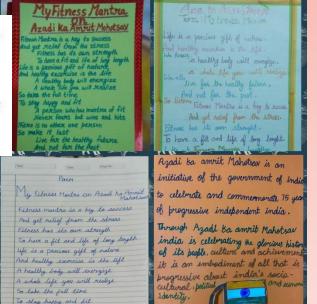
Fit India School Week was celebrated to spread health awareness among our students under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav. Students of grade III to V, were motivated to write self composed poems, short paragraphs, articles etc on the theme

' My Fitness Mantras.'









Aanya Jain of grade XI A had participated in an Inter-school competition titled 'Weave-A-Verse', organized by Mayur Public School. She has made us proud by winning a special prize in the same and has been felicitated with the title-**'Budding Poet'.** 





#### **PROUD MAHAVIRIANS**



Winners do not wait for chances, they make them. We feel elated to share another success story of our young Mahavirians who participated in SOF International English Olympiad, 2021-22 wholeheartedly and won accolades.







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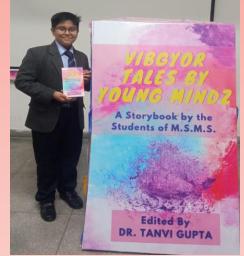






MSMS in collaboration with Young Mindz got published-VIBGYOR TALES a collection of stories by young Mahavirians.

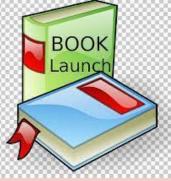








#### **Unveiling VIBGYOR Tales**



An unveiling ceremony of the book titled 'Vibgyor Tales' in collaboration with the Young Mindz was celebrated to provide a platform for our students to let their thoughts flow freely and enhance writing and speaking skills.

The ceremony began with unveiling of the book Vibgyor Tales which is the collection of stories by our children from Grade V to XII

Compilation of the original work of Young Mindz

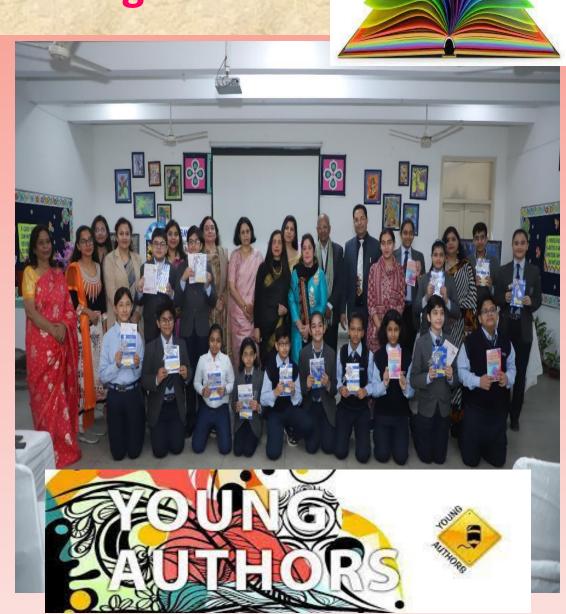




#### **Our Budding Authors**

The young authors put in a lot of efforts to beautifully paint their imagination with a VIBGYOR of bright shades and colours of their fantasy that culminated into beautiful expressions in the form of their original work.

The attraction of the day was the reading of the excerpts by the students from their books which showcased their confidence and instilled self-belief in them.



#### #KindnessMatters

MSMS in association with UNSECO MGIEP, iniatiated #KindnessMatters Campaign in the school.

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Global Campaign by UNESCO MGIEP

## #KindnessMatters One act of kindness can transform the world.

MSMS in association with UNSECO MGIEP, iniatiated Kindness Matters Campaign in the school. The global campaign celebrates everyday simple acts of kindness. Students from grades I to XII participated in the campaign.

Students, teachers, parents and other community members contributed their stories of kindness in plenty because of which our school's name has now been featured on the official website of the UNESCO. It is a matter of pride for all stakeholders as we are one of the selected PAN India schools who have got recognised for this endeavour.



## We hope you all enjoyed reading about the constructive engagement of our Young Mahavirians.

Thankyou
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