



Imagine

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The Indian Community School Kuwait - Amman

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear children,

Now we are at the threshold of year 2017. Let me wish you all a happy and blessed New Year. It is nothing, but our attitude and actions that make the new year a pleasant and smooth one. Plan everything properly in advance and execute what you have wisely planned. Ofcourse, first priority should be given to academics, as you will have your final exams soon. Devote more time for your studies. No stone should be left unturned. Aim for the highest, strive for it and achieve it.

If you want to be successful in all walks of life, you have to equip yourself with the best character and a positive attitude. Let us analyse the following well known saying;

*"If there is righteousness in the heart,
There will be beauty in character.
If there is beauty in character,
There will be harmony at home;
When there is harmony at home,
There will be order in nature.
When there is order in nature,
There will be peace in the World."*

For harmony and world peace, the only thing needed is righteousness. By righteousness we mean virtues or some good and positive values in our life. So try to do good things only. Do not harm anybody; Adhere to truth. May God bless you with all academic and moral excellence.



Rajesh Nair. C
Principal

Champions of ICSK

The students once again show cased their best talents to bring laurels to the school, during the Indian Schools' Mega Arts Fest 2016, organized among more than 20 Indian schools in Kuwait. The festival of arts was conducted on 1st and 2nd December at 5 various stages in ICSK which included more than 80 events in 5 different categories.

In this spectacular event the 'Champions Trophy' for Category 3 was procured by ICSK Amman, with commendable scores in other 3 categories. The winners were honoured by the Oscar Award winner, Padmashree Dr. Rasool Pookutty, in the presence of the Ambassador of India to Kuwait, Shri Sunil Jain along with the honorable board members of ICSK. The evening was blessed with a live concert by music maestro Stephan Devassy.

This remarkable achievement was made possible by the continuous support and encouragement of our staff, students and parents community.



WORLD TEACHERS' DAY



The student senate of our school, organized a grand programme on 19th October 2016, to commemorate the World Teachers' Day. The purpose of the whole programme was to emphasize the role played by the Teachers in guiding and inspiring the students.

The programme commenced with the School Senate President taking the responsibility of the Principal and the Vice President taking charge as the Vice Principal.

The House Prefects from classes VI to IX ushered the teachers for the programme, accompanied with a beautiful welcome song. The Senate President Ms. Tania T Cherian cordially welcomed all their dear teachers. Thank you cards, badges and flowers were presented to all the teachers as a token of their love and affection.

To mark this occasion as the most marvelous one, an array of scintillating performances were presented by the students for their teachers. To express their gratitude towards the teachers, Primary students presented a melodious song followed by a dance dedicated to all their dear teachers.

The four houses Shanti, Seva, Sahyog and Santosh came up with a variety of programmes like quiz, skit, mime etc. The students of class IX and X felt proud to be the student teachers and realized the importance of teachers in their lives.

At the end of school hours the luckiest staff member of the day was chosen through a lucky draw, by the Senate President. Various games were organized for teachers and the winners were awarded. Teachers expressed their happiness as they were honoured by students and thanked them for the splendid programme organized for them.

The Senate Vice President Tobias J. Saju proposed the vote of thanks. The School Senate along with Senate Advisor, Mrs. Aleyamma Satheesh did a commendable job in executing a well-planned and systematically organized programme. The senate made it an enjoyable and memorable day for the entire teaching staff of our school.



A TRIBUTE TO OUR GREAT LEADERS

A Fancy Dress Competition was conducted on 5th & 6th October 2016, for the pre-primary sections. "Dress up as a leader" was the theme set for the children to know that the freedom we enjoy is due to the sacrifice of our great leaders. Competitions make children learn the skills to build their self confidence. The children participated with enthusiasm and their performance was extremely commendable.

Most of the children came dressed up as Jawaharlal Nehru, Indira Gandhi, Rani Laxmi Bai, Mother Teresa, Bhagat Singh, Raja Ram Mohan Roy, Swami Vivekanand, Alexander the Great and Tiruppur Kumaran. On this occasion, Principal, Mr. Rajesh Nair.C appreciated all the participants and the parents for their great support in helping their wards to present their exemplary costume.

It was a great joy for all to see and enjoy the programme commemorating the leaders who fought for our country.

ASSEMBLY



INAUGURATION OF THE PLAY ROOM LIBRARY

"A Book is a gift you can open again and again"

A mini Library for the Pre-primary sections was facilitated as a part of renovation of the play room. Principal Mr. Rajesh Nair. C formally inaugurated the Library on 13th Dec, 2016 and encouraged the children to read and get exposed to the beautiful world of books.

The purpose is to enhance the reading habit of the children at a very young age which will help to trigger the imagination and the creativity of the tiny tots. The students will get exposure to the Library books during their allotted time under the supervision of a teacher. Students were extremely happy and excited to have the colourful story books in their hands.



PRE-PRIMARY TEACHERS' DAY



CHILDRENS' DAY CELEBRATION

Children are the gift of God. To nurture and cherish them, we paid a tribute to our lovely children by celebrating Childrens' Day on November 14th, 2016.

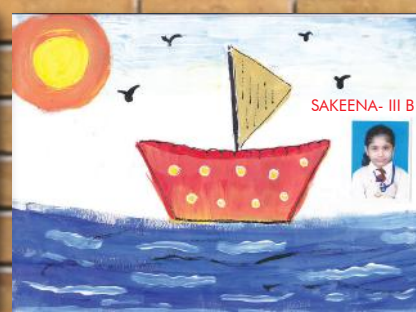
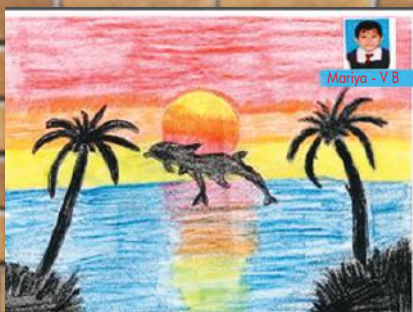
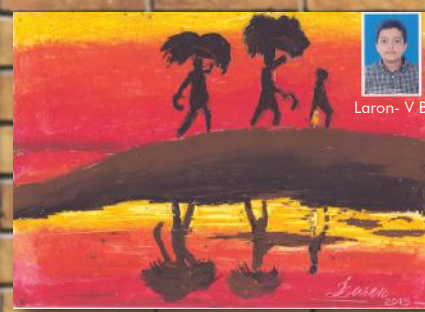
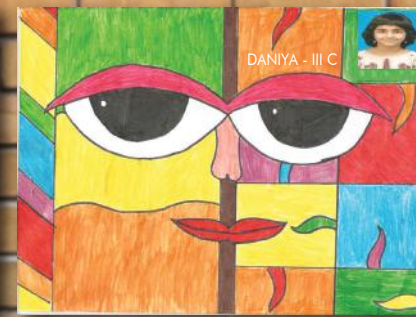
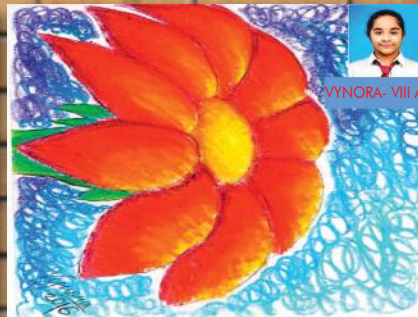
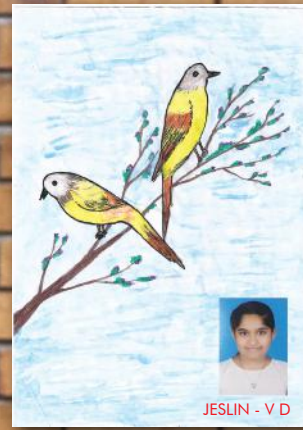
All were buzzing with excitement and joy as the campus looked beautiful with stunningly dressed up children. Full-fledged special assemblies were held for all the children by the teachers who were the highlights of the day. The assembly began with the tiny tots where the teachers gave them a real surprise with a dance numbers on 'Brown girl in the ring' followed by Birdie dance. The programmes continued with the higher sections encompassed rendition of songs of different languages, inspiring skits, mimes and thrilling dance performances by the teachers which left the students speechless. The Principal and Vice Principal also joined the teachers in entertaining the children and addressed them by conveying the significance of celebrating the Childrens' Day. They emphasized that childhood is the best phase in one's life which lays the foundation for the life ahead and also the importance of children in our family and society.

Children enjoyed every bit of the programme and it was an unforgettable day for both students and teachers.

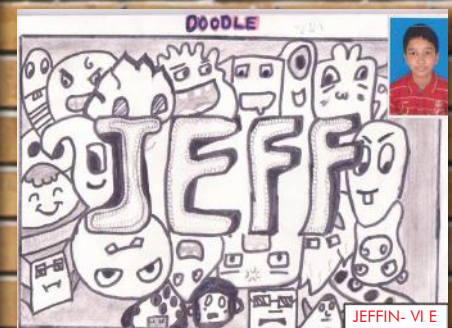
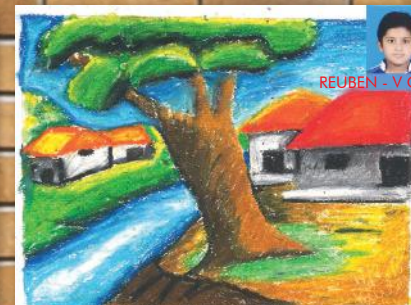
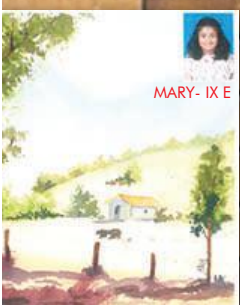
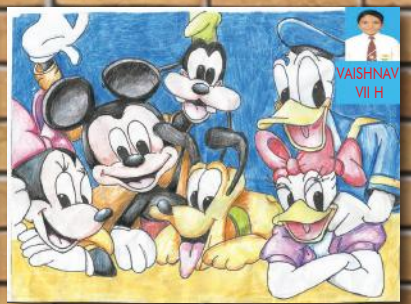
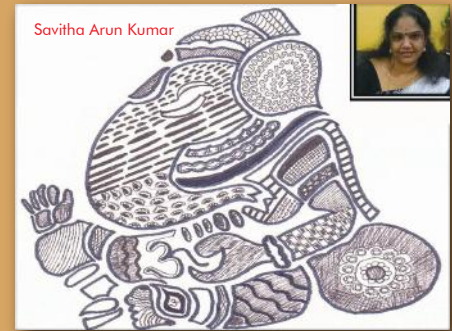
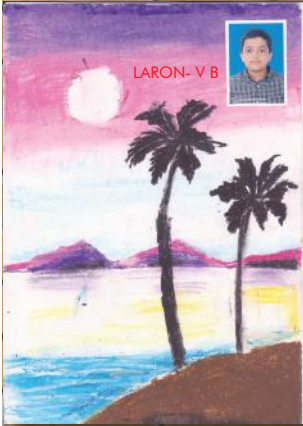


**PRE-PRIMARY SPORTS
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TEACHERS' CORNER



WORLD FOOD DAY



World Food Day was celebrated on 13th October, 2016 by the students of the Pre-Primary sections.

“Take only what you need and use completely what you take. Food is a precious gift from nature and we should not waste food” This is the message conveyed to the pre – primary children while they celebrated World Food Day.

Children were requested to bring different types of home made food to make them aware that home made food is not only tasty but also healthy. To our surprise all the students participated and brought variety of delicious Indian dishes prepared at home.

We had different types of Indian Food items: Aloo Paratha, Veg Sandwich, Veg Spring Roll, Cheese Samosa, Sweet dishes included, Carrot Halwa, Cakes etc.

The food was arranged in the class like a buffet table and children enjoyed eating variety of tasty food.

Aim of the celebration was to bring the awareness that, we should have in our plate only the required quantity of food we can eat, so that even a single grain is not wasted.



42nd ANNUAL SPORTS DAY

The 42nd Annual Sports Day of The Indian Community School, Kuwait was held on Friday, 18th November, 2016 at the Khaifan Stadium, with great pomp and fervor. Mr. Shubashis Goldar, Deputy Chief of Mission and Chief Public Information Officer, of the Indian Embassy was the Chief Guest of the event. Mr. Gangadhar Shirsath, Principal of ICSK, Khaitan and the Sports Coordinators presided over the function. Winners of every sports activity were awarded with trophies, medals and certificates.



OVERALL CHAMPIONS IN THE 15TH CBSE KUWAIT ATHLETIC MEET



INTER BRANCH COMPETITIONS (CHESS)



UNDER 11,14,19 BOYS



UNDER 11,14,19 GIRLS

INTER BRANCH COMPETITIONS (BADMINTON)



UNDER 11,14,17 BOYS



UNDER 11,14,17 GIRLS

MOM

She is the one,
Whose food I go yum,
She is the only best,
She is my mom.
She is someone I can count on,
Someone whom I can always rely on.

She is naughty,
Steals my mangoes.
She argues,
But never goes.
She's awake all night,
Whenever I'm sick.

She is the one,
Among all I can pick.
My Mom,
Who wipes away the tears from my face,
And loves me endlessly,
With no space.
LOVE YOU MOM.



Farzana [X-E]

MY BESTFRIEND

You're like a sister,
And a close friend of mine.
You need anything,
I'll be there anytime.
We joke, we laugh,
Together,
I won't- let you cry, let you weep,
Ever.
I'll always stay by your side,
Forever.
Want a Goodbye?
Never.
We quarrel,
We fight.
But at the end,
Everything's alright.
I'll always wipe your tears,
Let go of all your fears.
If ever you want me near,
I'll always fast appear.
Hand-in-hand we'll always walk,
With sweet talks, eating candy drops.
We've been together for years,
From the time we fought for lollipops.

PROCURE

I clutched my jacket closer to my body and shuddered. I focused in front, where Reed played the beam of her flashlight on the tall brick wall. The wall might not have been more than eight feet in height, and clinging to the top were pieces of broken glass stuck to the concrete and a lot of barbed wires, obviously to keep out any unwanted theft. Norma came skipping on one foot, trying to untangle a creeper that had managed to catch her shoe. "Okay.", she said, "why are we here again? ". I rubbed my sneaker against the wet grass, as Reed replied, "Someone set of the burglar alarm in this place. We two are here to find clues. And you, my dear, are here to take down notes."

Norma smiled and opened up her notepad. Reed moved the flashlight on and over the wall, and then finally focused on the ground. "There was a woman. ", she said. "How?"

"Tracks of a woman's heels on both the sides." she replied pointing to the impression of freshly dug heels in the wet mud. Norma scribbled away at her notebook. I regarded the wall again, as the fog started to settle down.

"It would take at least three people to scale the wall." I said "And I'd assume there were two men and one woman. Because, sure a man could have boosted a woman up, but she'd never be able to pull him up by herself. But she could have done it if another man had been giving support from below. And then together, the man and the woman could have pulled the second man up."

Norma poked her cheek with the rubber end of the pencil.

"All very interesting. ", she commented. "I thought you might find it interesting", Reed said.

"There's just one thing I find baffling. How did they manage to climb up with all those wires and glass?"

"Well, that's easy." I replied, "It is cold tonight. They might have just thrown their jackets on the wall and then climbed it." I shrugged. We stood there for a moment in silence and Norma tucked her pencil behind her ear.

"Wait!" Reed exclaimed suddenly. "Alright, what is it, Reed?" I asked.

"If they did throw their jackets on top", she explained, "Then aren't there any strand of clothing stuck to the wire? "

"Not from what I see." Norma laughed, "But I would say they lift a little skin!"

Reed pointed her beam of light to the top of the wall, where pieces of glass were coated with blood.

"Wouldn't people take care not to shred their ankles while trespassing?" she smiled.

"Well." I replied, "I'm glad they didn't. We've got ourselves a new case."



ATHIYA KHAN. IX B

A day without Electricity



This incident happened a few years back. The mere thought of it brings butterflies fluttering in my stomach and leave my throat dry. I still remember, it was a Friday.....

It was raining cats and dogs on that day. In Kerala when it rains heavily, first and the most expected thing is the POWERCUT. So I woke from my siesta and looked up at the corridor which led to my room, all I could see was darkness... I could hear the raindrops clinging on to the window panes and the loud roar of the thunder broke the silence which echoed in my room. So I knew because of the heavy rain there was no electricity that morning.

Though I look brave... in reality I am a little scared especially of darkness. So in no time I started yelling and screaming to call out my grandma. I could hear my voice blaring and suddenly it brought thoughts like that of a horror movie.

I was always praised by my family for my imagination skills... but trust me on that day I hated myself for the same thing. I began imagining Ghostly figures and strange noises. Fear had engulfed me by then and I was drenched in sweat. I saw a figure walking towards my room with a lit candle. I was chanting all the prayers I knew closing my eyes tight. Thank heavens ,that was my Granny walking towards me like an angel my saviour!

The irony lies in the fact that though I knew that the power cut was because of the cloud burst, my mind just wouldn't stop. My granny tried her best to keep me calm... Every second line she kept emphasizing that I was a big girl and I should be brave and tried to distract me with her childhood stories. But who could explain to her that my age had nothing to do with my fear?

I refused to budge from the bed and I still regret for troubling my granny so much that day. The entire day I clung on to her saree like I was three years of age. We had to spend more than seven hours in just candle lights.

Trust me friends, without electricity I felt like a fish out of the pond. After being exposed to electricity for the last 14 years of my life, I don't think I can go back. Things would be so strange. No more internet..No more music... I would only get my croaking voice to hear.

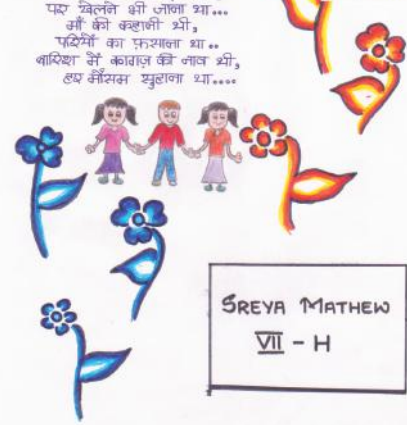
But now all we can do is sit and laugh at our inability to live our lives without electricity.

SHIVANI RAJIV MENON IX A

RIDDLES – DIDDLES

एक बचपन का जमाना था ...

एक बचपन का जमाना था,
जिस में खुशियों का खजाना था..
चौहल चूड़ों की पल्लो की थी,
पर खिल तिलकी बग दिखाना था..
खबर ना थी कुछ सुबह के,
ना शाम का ठिकाना था..
थक कर आना खरल से,
पर खेलने भी जाना था..
मी बने कहानी थी,
फिरमें का फुरकाना था..
बापिशा में कावाज़ की नाच थी,
हप कौंसम खुलावा था....



SREYA MATHEW
VII - H

लालच का फल



एक कुत्ता भूखा था | वह निराश होकर चल रहा था | रास्ते में उसे एक दूध की मिली | चलते-चलते वह एक पुल पर पहुँचा | पानी में अपना प्रतिबिम्ब देखकर उसने समझा कि वहाँ एक दूसरा कुत्ता है | उसकी दृष्टि भी पाने के लालच में वह तुरंत भौंका | तब उसकी मुँह की दृष्टि भी पानी में गिर गई और वह भूखा ही रहा गया |

ॐ लालच का फल बुरा होता है ॐ



माँ



माँ ही जन्म का फल हैं,
प्यार करना उनका उराल हैं,
दुनिया की मौखक पित्राल हैं,
माँ ही हर दुःख कबाल हैं,
माँ ही चरण कदम,
हंसान नैरी धल हैं,
माँ के कदमों की गिरदी
जन्म की धल हैं ॥



Grace Anil
Jhanyil
VII - H

Questions:

1. What has a head and a tail but no body?
2. What can you catch but not throw?
3. If you have me you like to share me. If you share me you DON'T have me. Who am I?
4. What is full of holes but still holds water?
5. What can be at one corner and can travel whole world?
6. I am a six letter word. Subtract one letter and twelve will remain. Who am I?
7. The more it dries the wetter it gets?
8. What has a thumb and four fingers but is NOT alive?
9. I'm light as a feather, yet the strongest man CAN'T hold me for more than five minutes?
10. What are the two things you can NEVER have for breakfast?
11. Which is the bow you CAN'T tie?
12. What goes up but NEVER comes down?
13. How many letters are there in the alphabet?
14. What has a bark but no bite?

Answers:

1. Coin
2. Rain drops
3. Secret
4. Sponge
5. Stamp
6. Dozens = dozens - s = dozen = 12 items
7. Towel
8. Glove
9. Breath
10. Lunch and dinner
11. Rainbow
12. Your age
13. 8 = A+L+P+H+A+B+E+T = 8 letters
14. Tree



Sneha Nampally
5 C

हिन्दी भाषा

प्रकृति की पहली ध्वनि ऊँ हैं
मेरी हिन्दी भाषा भी, इसी ऊँ की देन हैं।
देवनागरी लिपि हैं इसकी, देवों की कल्पने अपनी
बांग्ला, गुजराती, भोजपुरी, डोगरी, पंजाबी और कई
हिन्दी ही हैं इन सब की जननी।
प्रकृति की हर बक-चील अपने से सम्पूर्ण हैं
मेरी हिन्दी भाषा भी अपने से सम्पूर्ण हैं।
जो बोलते हैं वही लिखते हैं,
मन के भाव सही उभरते हैं।
हिन्दी भाषा ही तुम्हें, प्रकृति के समीप ले जाएगी,
मन की सुदृष्टि की शक्ति, महामग्न, यह बने जाएगी।
कुछ हवा चलती है ऐसी यहाँ
कहते हैं इस मातृभाषा को बदल डालो।
बदल सको क्या! तुम अपनी माता को?
मातृभाषा का वगो बदलाव करो।
देवों की भाषा का वगो तुम तिरस्कार करो।
बदल सको तो तुम अपनी माँ को बदल डालो।
हर एक भाषा का तुम पैल से सम्मान करो।
हिन्द की जड़ों पर आओ, हम गर्व करें
हिन्दी भाषा पर आओ, हम गर्व करें।
—सुनेता काव्य



Imagination

Imagination can take you to a new nation,
Where humans have wings
And guitars don't have strings.

It's beyond your wildest dreams
Over the boundaries of the seven seas
Colourful and bright
For a creative mind.

It's your design, it's your choice
It's your mind that makes it nice.
It defies the laws of gravity,
Imagination is generosity.



Clarisa.A.Pereira
IX-A

Smile

A big thousand watt spread on your face
So beautiful and bright,
It can light the night
It's a smile that can never hide.

The two dimples on your cheek,
That frown changes within a click.
That smile on your face
That's something that can never change.

It's your beauty and happiness you express,
That smile can change one's distress.
That smile can make someone's day,
Keep wearing your smile everyday.

HOUSE CLUB



VICE PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Do you like to receive or give?

Season's greetings..



As we welcome the New Year, it is time for New year resolutions, analysis of the year that passed, glimpses of the past year...indeed merry time. The season is filled with the excitement of planning to celebrate with family and friends. Our hearts are softened towards each other and it seems easier to forgive and forget a hurt or painful incident.

During festivals, New Year and on special occasions like birthdays most of us dream of beautifully wrapped packages. Unwrapping the gift you've been wanting for months and months is so exciting. Receiving gifts is something everyone enjoys. Along with receiving gifts why not to think of giving a small gift to all your family members this time? But do you know, we will enjoy giving gifts even more than receiving them? You may have heard people say from time to time, "It's better to give than to receive."

Have you ever tried to make a small work of art, a beautiful card or a tiny lovely gift for a loved one? When you are finished with it, you will be surely very excited to give it to them. You just can't wait to present someone that special gift. Can you imagine that feeling of excitement you get as they're opening their present? A simple joy derived from giving your time and talents to loved ones. So do present a gift to your loved ones this season and be ready to receive their hugs and appreciation.

After the spectacular performance in the Indian Schools' Mega Arts Fest we are back to serious studies. It is now time to gear up for the Summative Assessment 2 which will be the final examination for the current academic year. Reminding you the thump rule, 'Learn, Revise and Recollect'. Never miss revision classes and practise with previous years' question papers. Make sure that you remember what you have learnt by recollecting the topics many times.

Congratulations to the emagine team for this beautiful edition.

Wish you all a very Happy New Year.

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Dr. Mary Isaac**

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