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A tiny ray of dazzling light shines at the far end of a shadowy tunnel. A gust of calm soothing wind blows in the world outside. The tunnel may be filled with raw, uncut emeralds, no doubt, but nothing beats the ethereal scene of the sparkling water below the majestic cliff overlooking the sea.

Another session flew by. It was a dim year – one characterised by the same dreary monotony of the fatal disease which compelled us to seek sanctuary in the care of our ever-faithful homes. The most shocking manifestation lay in the irrefutable fact that children could not attend 'normal' school for nearly two whole years.

Thanks to the immense generosity of God, the stunned world is moving again. With the sweet scent of rice and other kharif crops riding the air, the merry tune of Tagore's 'Esho He Boishakh' resonating with the harmony of the heavens and the general mood of festivity pervading the minds and hearts of the people, the background for a comeback of the holy institution of 'offline' education has been adequately set amidst the Bengali New Year.

School will have started in full swing, but the accumulated laziness of the two preceding years will be a huge impediment to our academic growth. The process of familiarisation will be difficult and time consuming, no doubt, but it will not be impossible.

This very glimmer of hope is the only opportunity we need.

Wishing you a very happy and luminous Bengali New Year and a scintillating new academic session.

-Aishik Nath Dey, 12A, Student Editor.

১৪২৯ শুভেচ্ছা বার্তা-



দীর্ঘ দুটি বছর জীবন কেটেছে মহামারীর কবলে, পৃথিবীতে নেমে এসেছিল বুকফাটা হায্যকার, চারিপাশে ঘিরেছিল মৃত্যুর মিছিল। আজ আমরা খানিকটা শান্তির মুখ দেখতে পেয়েছি। জাই বলতে পারি-

বয়ে আনে ঝড় বৃকে আমাদের ভীড়
কালারা হাসি হোক, হোক আরো নিবিড়।
পরে থাক স্মৃতি কথা পুরানো দিনের
আহ্বান করি শুধু নতুন ভোয়ের।
বছর শেষে নতুন করে বাজে বাতাসে
চৈত্র দিনের চৈতালি হাওয়া,
সব হারিয়ে আবার ফিরে পাওয়া।

-১৪২৯ সবার ভালো কাটুক, সুখ-সমৃদ্ধি বিরাজ করুক।

অনেক অনেক শুভেচ্ছা ও অভিনন্দন থাকলো।

শুভ নববর্ষ ১৪২৯।

Vaccination Camp



A free vaccination camp against Covid-19 was organised by Bally Municipality on 2nd April, 2022, in association with M.C. Kejriwal Vidyapeeth. The camp was open for students belonging to the age group of 12-14 years.

An efficient team of experts administered the first dose of Corbevax vaccine to the 348 students who had registered themselves for this camp. It was reassuring to see our students so keen to get back in the regular groove of life. Parents wholeheartedly supported us in this endeavour and congratulated the Management and the school for this benevolent initiative.

Such an effort taken by the school surely made the campus safer for the students, who resumed their physical classes after a gap of two long years.



Another Jewel in the Crown

With great joy we share the amazing piece of news that Team MCKV bagged the third position in the quizzing event of 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav'. The fiesta is an initiative by the Government of India to celebrate and commemorate 75 years of our country's independence, and revisit the glorious history of its people, culture and achievements. The Inter-School Quiz Competition organized by the Office of the Principal Chief Commissioner of Income Tax, West Bengal & Sikkim, on 11th April, 2022, was a part of the ongoing grand festival.

The aim of the competition was to encourage awareness among the students about the history of taxation and the culture of India. Raunak Mallick and Shubhankar Verma of Class 9 participated in the event and bagged the second runner up position competing against thirteen renowned schools of Kolkata. Our team put up a brilliant fight. It was a great learning experience for our boys.



A Sip of Respite: MCKV students offer refreshing drinks to localites

On a hot scorching day, the most priceless thing for a tired pedestrian would be a precious glass of water, and if one adds *Sattu* to it, well nothing can absolutely beat it!

Our ever so thoughtful Social Service Committee organised a *Sattu sharbat* drive on Tuesday, 12th April, 2022, where the students of Class 8 offered 'a sip of respite' to all the exhausted and parched individuals, who were out on the streets, under the presence of the fiery sun. This drink is widely popular for rejuvenating one's spirits and is also known to harbour great health benefits. All of us felt immense pride to see our boys serving the drinks.

This simple yet noble endeavour garnered much love, appreciation and blessings from the residents of Liluah.



A day with the residents of Dwijaraj Old Age Home



A society is always measured by how it cares for its elderly citizens. MCKV takes great pride in nurturing sensitive and responsible individuals who respect the elderly members of our community and take it upon themselves to reach out to these neglected souls to create a happier space for them.

The Interact Club of M. C. Kejriwal Vidyapeeth organised a visit to Dwijaraj Old Age Home at Panihati on 30th April, 2022. The students spent quality time with the inmates of the home. Boys sang songs, recited poems and engaged in heart-to-heart conversations, much to everyone's delight. The residents were treated to a delicious traditional breakfast. Bringing a smile on the faces of the elderly, the Interactors came back with a promise to revisit them.

It was a day to remember not only by the residents of the home, but also for our boys who got the opportunity to share wonderful moments of bliss and joy with their senior friends.



Sweat Fest Week

A healthy mind grows only in a healthy body. Considering the last two years of slothful life led by our students, MCKV organised a 'Sweat Fest Week' for the boys of Classes 1 to 12. The objective was to enhance their fitness levels through different kinds of recreational exercises. Our ever-active pupils of the Primary Wing who had missed their physical activity classes for almost two years, fully utilised their pent-up energy through various manoeuvres like running, jumping, crawling, speed walking etc. The youngsters of the Middle and Senior Wings were involved in slightly advanced level physical training programmes like aerobics, push-ups, jumping jacks, burpees, squats, crunches, etc. Marching and Surya Namaskar were also an integral part of the fest. The success of this initiative was evident from the enthusiasm and eagerness with which the students took part in the venture. Physical exercise being the key to good health, the participants were encouraged to keep their body in good shape as that is the only place they have to live in.



Remembering the 'Bard of Avon'

More than four hundred years have passed since William Shakespeare penned his last play, yet his creations are as apt today as they were when they were originally written. A special assembly was conducted on 26th April, 2022, to observe the birth anniversary of this legendary dramatist. As a rich tribute, students of Class 12 presented a beautiful enactment highlighting the relevance of the literary works of Shakespeare even to the present day. Their performance was thoroughly enjoyed by the young learners who got a glimpse of the literary style prevalent in the Elizabethan era. Indeed, the timelessness of his works had been rightly described by the great writer, Ben Jonson, that Shakespeare "was not of an age, but for all time".



Earth Day Celebration

Each year, on April 22nd, more than a billion people observe Earth Day to show support, solidarity and awareness about environmental issues. This year, the theme for Earth Day was 'Invest in our planet'. The Preparatory Stage students, under the supervision of their teachers, took the initiative of spreading global peace to make this world a happier and healthier place to live.

On this occasion, the Departments of Biology and Geography, arranged an environment friendly classroom activity, 'Earth murals'. The activity helped in spreading awareness about the importance of protecting the environment, and ensured a creative and joyful learning experience for the students.





Atma-Ropana: Heal the Soul (A Peace Poem Competition)



English, these days, is much more than just a language that people need to know or learn. It is the most important mode of communication in today's world.

On the occasion of World English Language Day, our students of Classes 6 and 7 gave expression to their thoughts through a unique Peace Poetry Competition. Students from our partner school, **Takomari High School** in Japan had shared some heart-wrenching compositions on peace. These were recited in class. Following which, our boys, too, penned brilliant poems and designed extraordinary posters on the theme of healing the world. Our Japanese partner school coordinator found the poems written by our boys 'most eloquent and touching'.

It was absolutely amazing to see that boys of the same age from across the world, so different in their upbringing and outlook, share the same dream of peace and harmony. The competition has successfully broken all the language barriers and brought the students of both the schools closer.

Health is Wealth

Being healthy and fit is not a fad or a trend, it is a lifestyle. However, most of us do not prioritize it. To create awareness among the students about health care and developing healthy habits, a Quiz Competition was organised by the Health Committee of MCKV on the occasion of World Health Day. The event was conducted for all the children of Classes 5 and 6, who showcased their enthusiasm by actively responding to the questions. Among all the eager participants, the seven top-scorers were awarded certificates. It was a unique way of making the youngsters learn about health and nutrition in a different way and not just through books and classroom teaching.



Special Assembly on Mahavir Jayanti and Ambedkar Jayanti

The first assembly of the session 2022-2023 began on a pious note. With Mahavir Jayanti and Ambedkar Jayanti falling on the same date this year, the students of MCKV commemorated these two occasions with a special assembly, which began with an inspiring thought from the teachings of Lord Mahavira. It was followed by a skit presented by a couple of students of Class 8. The skit beautifully portrayed the immense contribution of Dr. B. R Ambedkar in drafting the Constitution of India. The assembly concluded with another skit based on the insightful teachings of Lord Mahavira. The students were fascinated by the thought-provoking performances which enriched them with the wisdom and values necessary to tackle obstacles and live a peaceful life.





Art For Art's Sake: A Drawing Competition for the children of the Foundational Stage.

Drawing is vision on paper. It is surely a gateway to one's imagination and creativity. The Drawing Competition held on 13th April, 2022, for the Foundational Stage kids, witnessed the little ones of Classes 1 and 2 create wonders on papers with colours. The competition was organised to nurture and promote an artistic bent of mind amongst the young artists. Adriyan Das of Class 2 B impressed everyone with his talent and bagged the first position. The second and the third positions were secured by Sambit Mondal of Class 2 A and Soutrik Chatterjee of Class 1 C respectively. The event was both entertaining and relaxing for the participants as well as for those who were involved in it.



From left to right: Adriyan Das, 2B, Theta House; Sambit Mondal, 2A, Delta House; Soutrik Chatterjee, 1C, Alpha House.

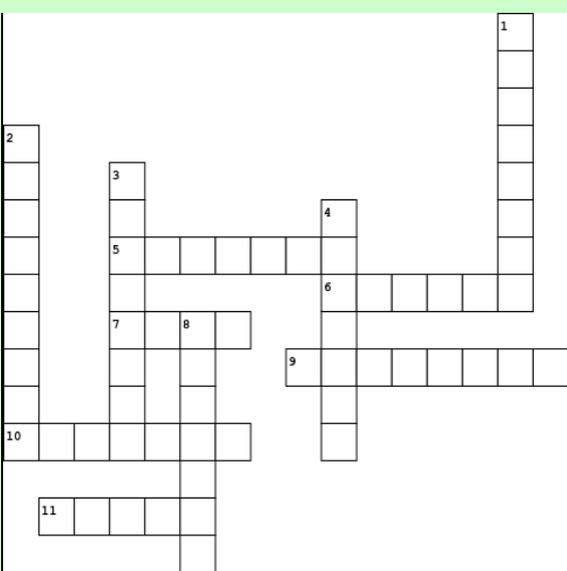
Whizz-kid : Where there's a will, there's a way.

A dream doesn't become reality through magic. It takes hard work, determination and perseverance. Archisman Mukherjee of Class 2A has made all of us proud with his brilliant performance at a global platform at such an early age. This little MCKVian participated in the prestigious SOF International Mathematics Olympiad last year. Despite the challenges posed by the pandemic and the difficulties associated with remote learning, he secured the 25th rank at the zonal level. The young achiever will be awarded a certificate and a medal for his achievement in July 2022. MCKV congratulates him for his remarkable achievement and wishes him all the best for his future endeavours.



As You Name It

(Based on the characters of the 'Bard of Avon')



| Across | | Down | |
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| 5 | Young noblewoman of Denmark, the daughter of Polonius, sister of Laertes | 1 | She is the youngest of King Lear's three daughters |
| 6 | A rich, beautiful, intelligent heiress of Belmont | 2 | Venetian beauty who elopes with a Moorish Venetian military prodigy |
| 7 | This mischievous fairy is also known as Robin Goodfellow in 'A Midsummer Night's Dream'. | 3 | He is the rightful Duke of Milan who was usurped by his brother. |
| 9 | He is the brother to King Hamlet, second husband to Gertrude | 4 | Noble family with an on-going feud with the head of another family, Lord Montague. |
| 10 | Wealthy merchant of Venice | 8 | He is the son of the witch Sycorax in William Shakespeare's play 'The Tempest'. |
| 11 | She is the main protagonist of the play 'Twelfth Night'. | | |

Answers will be published in the next edition.



Following are the new books added in the library in the current session:

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| 1 | How the Earth got its Beauty (2 Copies) | 27 | Pictorial Biography of Charlie Chaplin |
| 2 | The Luminous Life of Walt Disney | 28 | Pictorial Biography of Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan |
| 3 | The Luminous Life of Srinivas Ramanujam | 29 | Pictorial Biography of Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar |
| 4 | The Luminous Life of Narayana Murthy | 30 | Pictorial Biography of Mahatma Gandhi |
| 5 | The Luminous Life of Satyendra Nath | 31 | The Incident on The Kalka Mail |
| 6 | The Luminous Life of Mangal Pandey | 32 | The Royal Bengal Mystery |
| 7 | The Luminous Life of J.R.D. Tata | 33 | The Curse of The Goddess |
| 8 | The Luminous Life of Queen Elizabeth | 34 | Second Form at St. Clare's |
| 9 | The Luminous Life of Lata Mangeshkar | 35 | The Exam Warriors |
| 10 | The Luminous Life of Sourav Ganguly | 36 | Grandparents' Bag of Stories |
| 11 | The Luminous Life of Bruce Lee | 37 | Letters From a Father to His Daughter |
| 12 | Tales From The Childhood | 38 | Param Vir Chakra : The ultimate Honour |
| 13 | Earthquake | 39 | More Tales From The Jatakas |
| 14 | Amazing Stories for Children | 40 | Tales From The Hitopadesha |
| 15 | The Tunnel | 41 | Animal Tales Of India |
| 16 | Selected Stories by Honoré de Balzac | 42 | Tales From The Jatakas |
| 17 | Rusty and the Magic Mountain | 43 | The Mazarin Stone & other stories |
| 18 | 51 Outstanding Indian Awardees | 44 | The Beryl Coronet a Other Stories |
| 19 | The Sage With Two Horns | 45 | Black Peter & Other Stories |
| 20 | How the Onion got its Layers | 46 | The Six Napoleons & Other Stories |
| 21 | Vishnu | 47 | The Gloria Scott and Other Stories |
| 22 | Beauty & the Beast | 48 | The Silver Blaze & other Stories |
| 23 | Florence Nightingale | 49 | The Christmas Pig |
| 24 | A Midsummer Night's Dream | 50 | Bhoot Samagra (Bengali Book) |
| 25 | Romeo and Juliet | 51 | Sera Baro Abanindranath (Bengali Book) |
| 26 | Cleopatra | 52 | Sera Baro Bibhutibhushan (Bengali Book) |

STUDENTS' CANTEEN MENU FROM 18/04/2022 TO 13/05/2022

| WEEK | SHORT BREAK | RATE | LUNCH BREAK | RATE |
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| 18/04/2022 TO 3/05/2022 | FROOTI | 12.00 | APPY | 12.00 |
| WEEK | SHORT BREAK | RATE | LUNCH BREAK | RATE |
| 18/04/2022 TO 22/04/2022 | SAMOSA | 12.00 | SAMOSA CHAAT | 25.00 |
| | MASALA MURI | 12.00 | CHOWMEIN | 30.00 |
| | VEG. SANDWICH | 20.00 | PAPRI CHAAT | 25.00 |
| 25/04/2022 TO 29/04/2022 | SAMOSA | 12.00 | CHINESE BHEL | 30.00 |
| | MASALA MURI | 12.00 | VEGETABLE ROLL | 30.00 |
| | VEG. SANDWICH | 20.00 | PURI WITH ALOO DUM | 30.00 |