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# Editorial

Dear Reader,

August's issue of snapshot 2018 races into your mind with hot news, bringing you all the sizzling happenings in school – we have had quite a few this month, with a range of cultural events scheduled, the highlight of course, being APL's own Synergy which, this year, was themed around the concept of kindness.

We then have an extensive write up about social media, exploring both its adverse effect on teenagers (addiction, cyber bullying and the like) as well as its benefits, such as connectivity made easy.

Open Boat is our next segment wherein the talented seniors of our school express themselves artfully in the forms of poetry, painting and photography, as well as share their knowledge about the sporting world, with a special focus on FIFA. Also represented are our delightful juniors in the Junior Corner, who showcase yet another array of diverse skills in the aforementioned ways; so of course you can expect the finest here too. Look out for the delectable segment – Potpourri – as our students serve up some inviting recipes to help cool off in our Chennai's punishing summer.

Do not miss the Tiny Tots section, guaranteed to fill your heart as you take in the imaginative and original works of art by APL's budding artists. For the fiery minds that cannot be quenched easily, we have a section full of riddles that will keep you engaged. These brain-twisters are no mere feat, so brace yourselves for some head-scratching. We finally close with a fascinating interview with the school librarian and a few well-rounded remarks from the parents of APL in Parent's Speak.

With that, we are confident that this edition of Snapshot will be an absorbing one, accurately reflecting the flair our students have for creative expression. Thank you for accompanying us on this wonderful journey and we hope to see you next time!

- R V Vrinda Gopal, Gr11 C



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## Winning laurels

Our Junior school students participated in the GTA Vidhya Mandir inter school cultural which was held on 2nd August, 2018. The events began at 11 am and concluded around 1.30pm. Our students participated in various events like Clay Art, Collage and Ramp Walk. The students were from grades 3 to 6.

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**Collage** - Hanishkaa Karthikeyan, Gr3 A, Nehashree Ravikumar, Gr3 D

**Ramp Walk** - Harsh D Vyas, Gr6 A

- **Junior School**

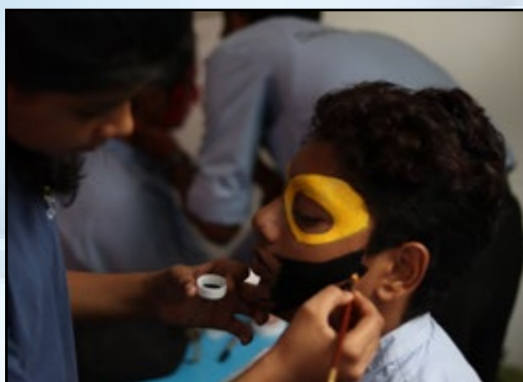


## Synergy 2018

The inauguration ceremony was a gala event with the chief guest delivering a wonderful speech and declaring synergy open. The synergy inauguration started with an invocation song, a song on Lord Vinayaka followed by an invocation dance. Since kindness was the theme our principal Mrs. Kiran Merchant gave inspiring speech. Our chief Guest for the day was Mrs. Maya, Organic Farming Facilitator and everyone was awe struck at the wonderful things she had to say. Students were really motivated by her speech.

It was a two day event, where students from different schools participated and had a lot of fun and learning. All the events were conducted in different class rooms in a very orderly manner. The chief guests of the valedictory function were Dr.Ajith Kumar and Mr.Shivaji Prabhakar from Thuli Organisation.

- **L.Soorya, Gr11**





## Investiture Ceremony

July 5th was a momentous day for our school as responsibilities were bestowed on the deserving young talents of the school to lead from the front with their commitment, confidence and competence.

The school held the investiture ceremony with great enthusiasm. It was an occasion where the young students were prepared to don the mantle of leadership and discharge the responsibilities entrusted to them by the school. To inculcate the leadership qualities in students and to give them a feel of being an important and integral part of the administrative body, a "Student Council" is formed every year. This year it was with a difference. We had representatives from each grade for various posts (Grades 8 to 12). With the growing number of students the houses were also increased to four namely Jade, Amethyst, Sapphire and Diamond.

The event began with the school prayer sung by our school choir followed by the handing-over ceremony, where the previous year's council members handed over their badges and sashes to our Principal. The new council members were then presented with their badges. The oath taking ceremony was next, followed by the speech of our respected principal and our admired SPL, Aniroodh Kumararaja. It was a proud moment for all the parents seated in the auditorium. The programme concluded with the National Anthem.

**- Aadithya Narayanan, Gr 10**



# Social Media and Teenagers

## **What is Social Media?**

Social Media are web-based online tools that enable people to discover and learn new information, share ideas and interact with new people and organizations. Some common examples are Twitter, Facebook, Instagram and WhatsApp

## **Uses of Social Media in today's world:**

Social Media plays an important role in today's world. More than half of the population is addicted to Social Media. It is used extensively by students- they share a variety of content and spend a lot of time online. Businesses use social media for marketing purposes and advertising while governments use it to run campaigns. Social media is also a top platform for market research and decision-making process. Many people use social media for learning, marketing, shopping and decision making.

## **Advantages of Social Media:**

Social Media has many advantages. It keeps us informed about the world. We get to know about wide range of trending topics through it. We can also keep in touch with friends and family members through social media. It can also prove to be beneficial for businesses; they can use it for marketing and can reach large audience, it also helps increase brand loyalty and helps in communicating information quickly.

## **Disadvantages of Social Media:**

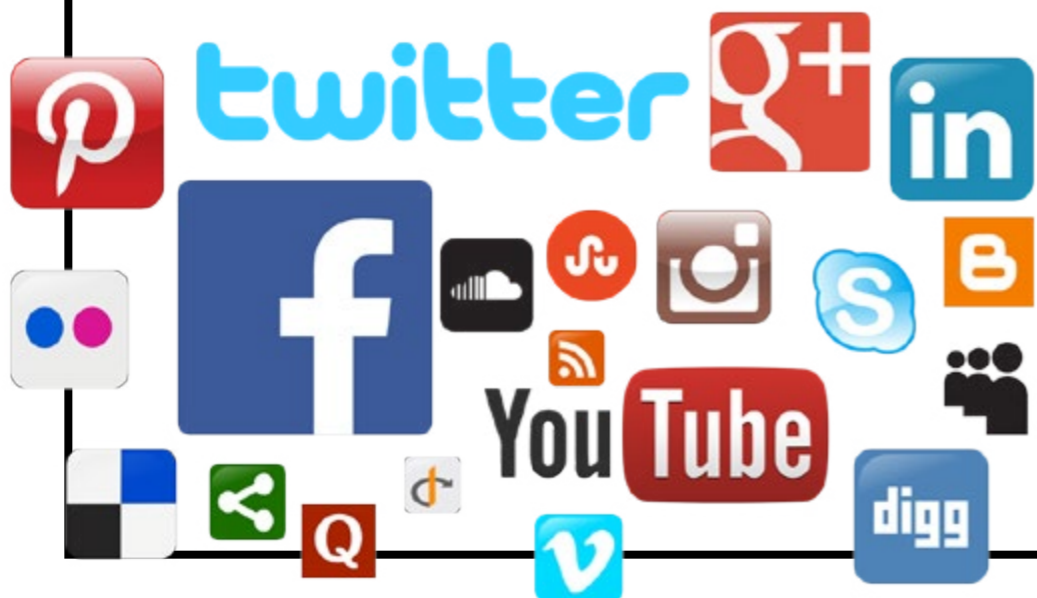
Though there are many pros of social media, there are lots of cons, too. Overtime, people start to lack emotional connection. The quality of a conversation using social media is not so good because you cannot sense the emotion or enthusiasm from the other person. Also, social media has caused people to lose effective communication skills. It can cause you to spend lesser time with family and friends. It also facilitates laziness- people become less active because they do lots of online activities. Activities like cyber bullying and hacking are prevalent in today's world. Most of all, social media and online activities causes lots of distraction and addiction can cause a person to become unaware of his or her surroundings.

## **How does social media affect teenagers?**

Almost 32% of teenagers these days spend 5-7 hours on social media everyday. Overuse of social media by teenagers can lead to anxiety , depression and low self-esteem. It also prevents the development of social and direct communication skills. It is a distraction that is not only detrimental to a person's academic performance but also dampens the desire to participate in outdoor sporting activities. But they also help to strengthen relationships with friends and family close and far. It also serves as a platform for shy people and introverts to express themselves and boost their confidence.

## **Why are teenagers addicted to social media ?**

Most people don't realise that social media is a different world in itself and an extension of your current world. 75% of teenagers these days check Instagram twitter or facebook as soon as they get up! The main reason as to why social media is so addictive is the fear of missing out. Even if others are having more fun than you social media is a compelling place to procrastinate. Another reason teenagers are so addicted to social media – the like button. When you receive a notification or when your friends comment and like on your posts your brain secretes a neurotransmitter which goes to the reward giving and pleasure centre of the brain and the brain always craves more! These are two main reasons why teenagers are addicted to social media.



**Cyberbullying:**

Cyberbullying or cyber harrasment is when someone, mostly teens, bully or harass others on social media sites. They do this by flaming, harassing, outing, exclusion, impersonation, and stalking. Harmful bullying behavior can include posting rumors, threats, a victims' personal information, or pejorative labels Bullying or harassment can be identified by repeated behavior and an intent to harm. Victims of cyberbullying may have lower self-esteem, increased suicidal ideation and a variety of emotional responses, including being scared, frustrated, angry, and depressed.

**Effect of cyberbullying on youth and teenagers:**

The effects of cyberbullying vary but it affects younger children more than adolescents and adults. This is because younger children are still growing mentally and physically.

Most of the time cyber bullying goes unnoticed especially in younger children. This is because most youngsters aren't comfortable to talk about this with people older than them and can help them. 20 – 40% of teenagers are victims of cyber bullying.

Young people seem particularly vulnerable to the effects of cyber bullying through anonyms. Abuse on some harmful social media platforms, can be particularly keenly felt by young people, leading to issues of loss of confidence. There have been a number of suicides related to bullying on these platforms in the US and Britain.

**Conclusion**

To conclude, social media has remarkably changed our lives. It is required for quick communication and to share ideas. We can also learn a lot from social media. However, we have to be aware and limit our usage of social media as much as possible. If we use social media smartly, it will definitely prove to be more beneficial.

- Ananya Shankar and Riyah Dugar, Gr 9

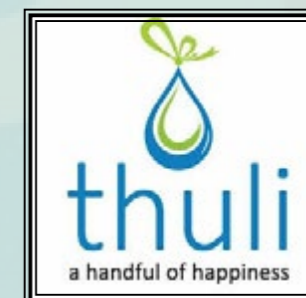




## Frankly speaking with Mr. Shivaji Prabhakar and Dr. Ajith Kumar from Thuli

**Good afternoon. I've been told you are from Thuli and it's a wonderful organisation but, to those of us who don't know, and that's a lot of us since synergy is only for 11 and 12th grades. Would you like to give an introduction as to what the organisation is about?**

Basically, Thuli is a non profit organisation which is run by three chairs: Sivaji, Jey and myself. The basic intent of the organisation is to help the less privileged people, with what is essential to them. For any human being, what is most important? It is food, shelter and clothes. So, when we wanted to do something, we decided to choose one among the three. We thought that the third choice would be the most ideal one for us to choose and we wanted to do charity with dignity. That is, not to give people clothes just like that but to give them an opportunity to choose. That is something lacking for the less privileged people, right? People generally, from those backgrounds just take whatever we give them, they don't get an opportunity to choose for themselves. So, what we have done is, we have set up a store in Chennai, in a small mall, in Adyar, for people to come and do shopping, like any of us; as they are deprived of that. We collect clothes, accessories and other stuff like toys and stationary. We take them to the laundry and once they have been laundered, we put them for display at the store. The less privileged come and shop as they get the full shopping experience with us.



**Where did the idea behind giving people the choice of what they want come from? That's not something a lot of us consider.**

Generally, ideas come from nowhere. Ideas just happen. When you walk around the streets, there is a clear divide between the privileged, like us and the people who aren't as fortunate. When you go shopping and come out of the shop, you see people, who have nothing. Take the example of your domestic maids or the housekeeping staff who work here. They don't even get an opportunity to dream of getting something they want. Practically speaking, everyday is a challenge, to live. When you think about all these things, we feel like doing something which would give them an opportunity to be like us. We can't give everyone a house; it is practically, not possible. Doing something like will give them happiness, dignity and privilege. We want them to get that feeling of happiness when they wear something good. We have tried to integrate these and start Thuli.

**How do you reach out to the underprivileged? How do they get to know about your store?**

We are actually, tied up with 4 to 5 NGOs who run schools for the underprivileged. They have almost 400 to 500 students studying in these schools, whose parents get very low income. When we talked about underprivileged people, we mean the people who make very low monthly income. They don't have the liberty to save money as we do as, all their money goes to the monthly living expenses.

**I've actually heard of Thuli before and it was passed on through facebook. Do you believe that social media plays an important role in getting your name across? Have you seen an increase in clothes and donations because of that?**

Today, the world revolves around social media and completely depends on it, whether it's the positive or the negative side of society. Organisations like us need a lot of public support. We can't survive without them. We need to address all age groups and all areas of society. Whatsapp and Facebook are our biggest supporters as we can advertise on both; since it isn't a product but a trust. Thuli has gone worldwide due to





social media. We have had many contributions from Dubai, Europe and the US.

***Are you planning to expand to another shop anytime soon?***

There are a lot of challenges when it comes to doing what we do. This isn't a kind of charity wherein you clean a lake. It happens on a daily basis. It's like a business; the shop opens in the morning. People come, people buy, you have to keep track of the inventory, send clothes to the laundry and get all the work done. It's a big process; running another shop isn't that easy. We are looking into the idea.

***What can we, as students of a school or college can do to help, not just thuli but also the underprivileged. I feel that a lot of us are jaded from what is happening in our world so we would like to know, how can we raise awareness for the underprivileged.***

As a matter of fact, all of us are part of the society. It's very important that people like you are part of the society. You need to help the less privileged. If you don't do that, the future is going to be very dark. You see the increase in crime rates: murder, child abuse, rape. Why does all of this happen? That is because the gap between the rich and poor is widening day by day. It's very important that we all play a part in helping the society.

***What made you partner with APL? What made you think that this is a good venture?***

Your school was the first school who approached us after we had opened. There were many schools in and around our area but it was Mrs. Gita who called us first, and extended her support to us. APL has played a very big role. Around March 8th, women's day, we got a group of deaf and blind children from MGR home, and your school had a collection drive a few days prior to that. Many toys were collected and these were sent to our shop where these children came to shop. That was when we started our relationship and it continues till today.

***Thank you for coming to our school and giving us your time. It means a lot having an organisation like yours here, and see its effects first hand. Once again, thank you so much.***

***- Vrinda Gopal & Shreya B, Gr11***







**What is FIFA world cup:**

FIFA World Cup, often simply called the World Cup, is an international association football competition contested by the senior men's national teams. It is held every 4 years and also in different nations.

**2018 FIFA world cup Russia**

2018 FIFA world cup was held in Russia. The matches were played in different cities in Russia. It took place in Russia from 14 June to 15 July. This world cup was more special because it was the first world cup to be held in Eastern Europe.

**The winner of the Russia 2018 World cup**

The winners were France after beating Croatia in the finals. France won Croatia by a score of 4:2. This match was the highest goal scoring match in world cup.

**The winner of the Golden ball**

The Golden ball is given to the best player in the tournament. Golden ball in Russia world cup 2018 was given to Luka Modric the captain of Croatia as he was playing amazingly good in the Russia world cup. Because of Modic, Croatia was able to go to the finals but unfortunately they lost in the finals.

**The winner of Golden Gloves**

The Golden Gloves are given to the best Goalkeeper of the tournament. This reward was given to the Belgium goalkeeper Thibaut Courtois as he was saved a lot of goals.

**The man of match of the finals**

The man of match is a reward which given to the player best in the finals. This time the man of match award of given to Paul Pogba who is a France player as he score a fantastic goal in the finals.

**The young player award**

This reward is given to the young player who played extremely well in the world cup. This time this reward was given to Kylian Mbappe since he was first teenager to score goal in the final.







### *An Epistle Of Regrets.*

Your letter came by this morning  
 Creased in an envelope  
 Reminding me of us,  
 Silhouetting against those  
 Blissful sunsets.

And as the setting sun  
 Engulfed us each day  
 Into its magnificence.  
 I found the paper  
 Pleated around four times  
 As it made sure  
 That your tears  
 Sprinkled your fragrance  
 All over your blue words,  
 Reached me safely.

Your words jotted with  
 A fountain pen;  
 Some legible and clear  
 And some erased and vague,  
 Spoke of your plights,  
 Of your vows and promises  
 Without any punctuations.

Maybe you were in a hurry.  
 Just like the wind  
 That morning  
 Which took your letter  
 And your teary and blurry lines  
 Along with it.

And all I could do  
 Was stand there in anticipation  
 That it would come back  
 Just the way you promised you would.

### *Crashing Stars*

We were stars waiting to crash  
 At the wake of our love  
 From the night of despair and tight embrace  
 Waiting for the wishes to be granted  
 Hand to be held for comfort  
 Someone to call home on lonesome days  
 Tangling ourselves in blues and bare soul  
 Hiding from the blinding light of sun  
 To shine on once and more  
 Oh honey,  
 Take me back to last night  
 Kiss this morning away  
 We were supposed to stay in the space  
 Lying in the dark with soft melodies  
 Two strangers trying to fit in  
 Hoping to feel love, all and less  
 Just a couple of stars waiting to crash.

**- Arjun Arun, Grade 11**

### *Flowers On your Grave*

I hope in ten years there's still flowers  
 on your grave when I visit.  
 I hope that people don't forget where you are  
 or the years that you impacted their lives.  
 I hope they don't forget to drive the extra mile  
 to see you when they come home for a weekend.  
 And if they don't visit you, I hope  
 it's because they're busy living their lives  
 and having families, just as you would have,  
 And not because they've forgotten.  
 I hope in ten years I'm not the only one  
 putting flowers on your grave.



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Seoyoung, Gr 11



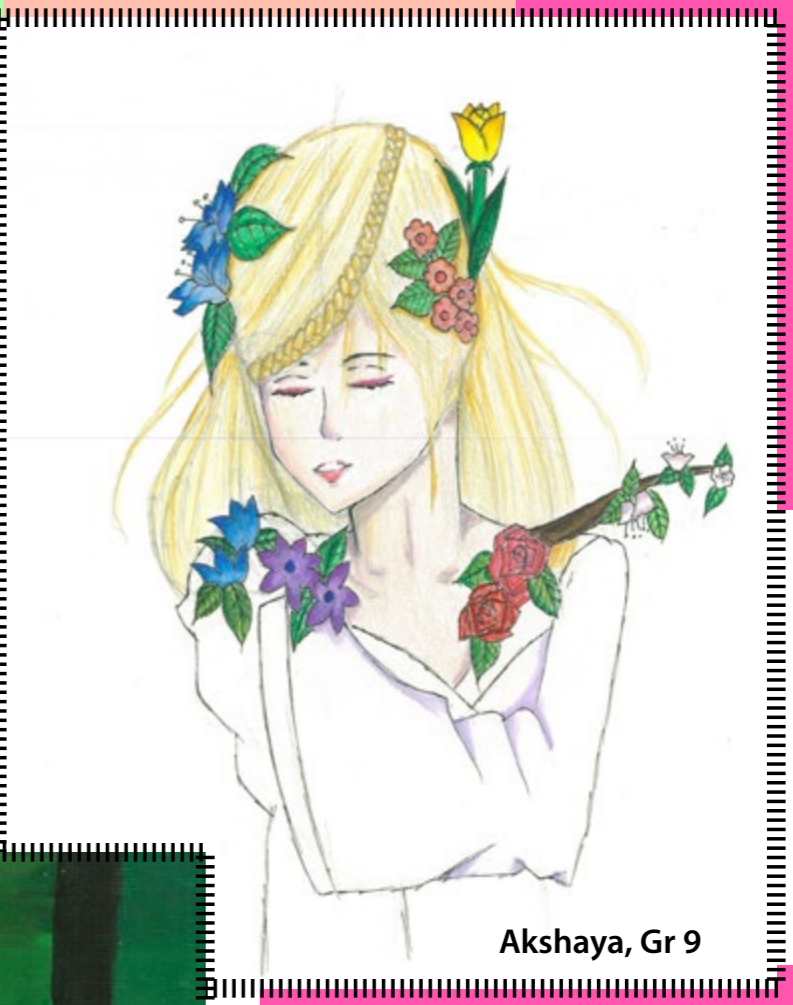




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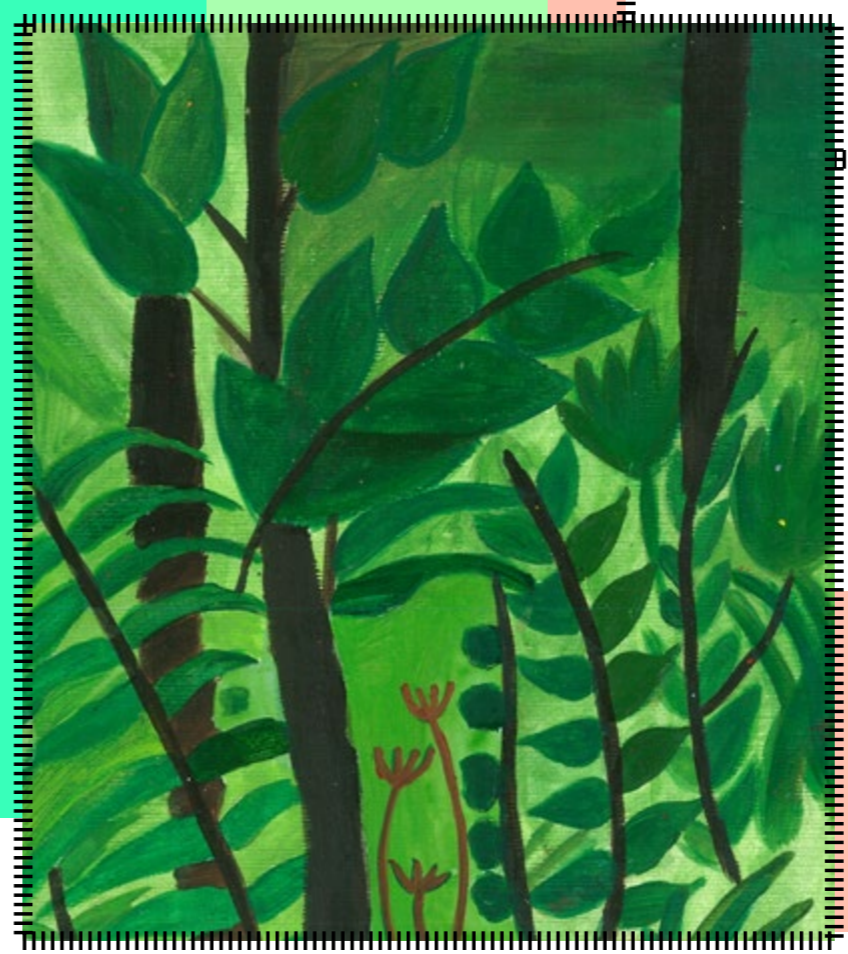
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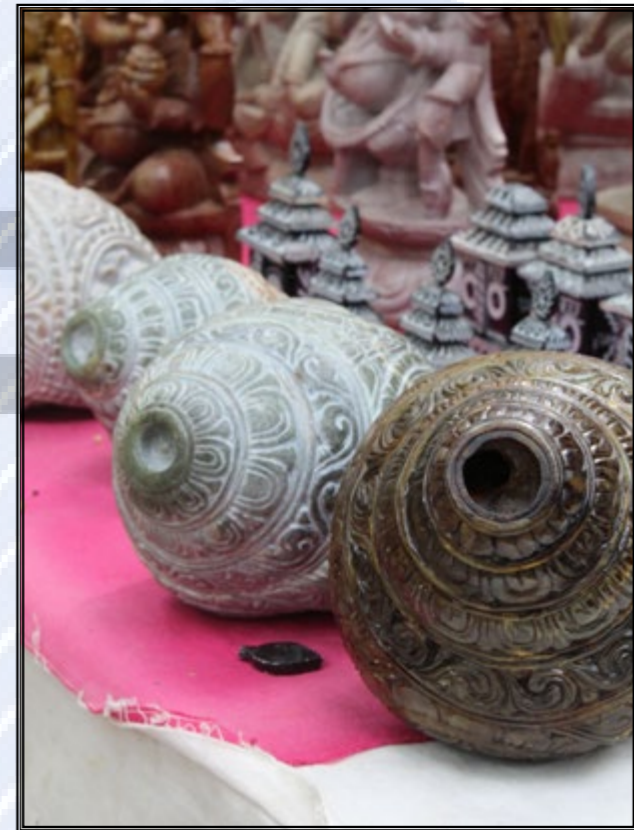
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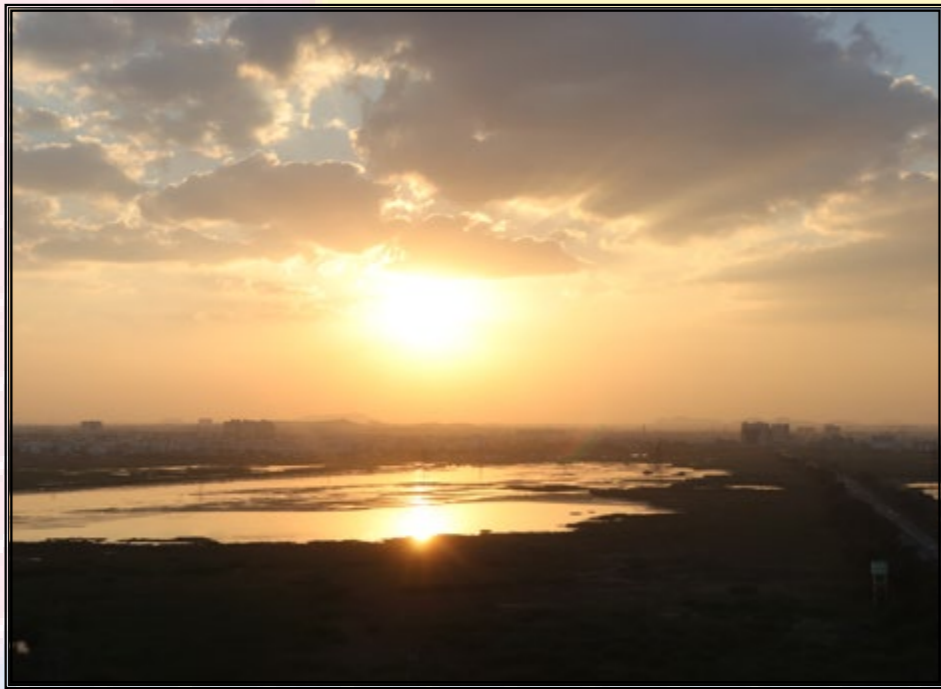


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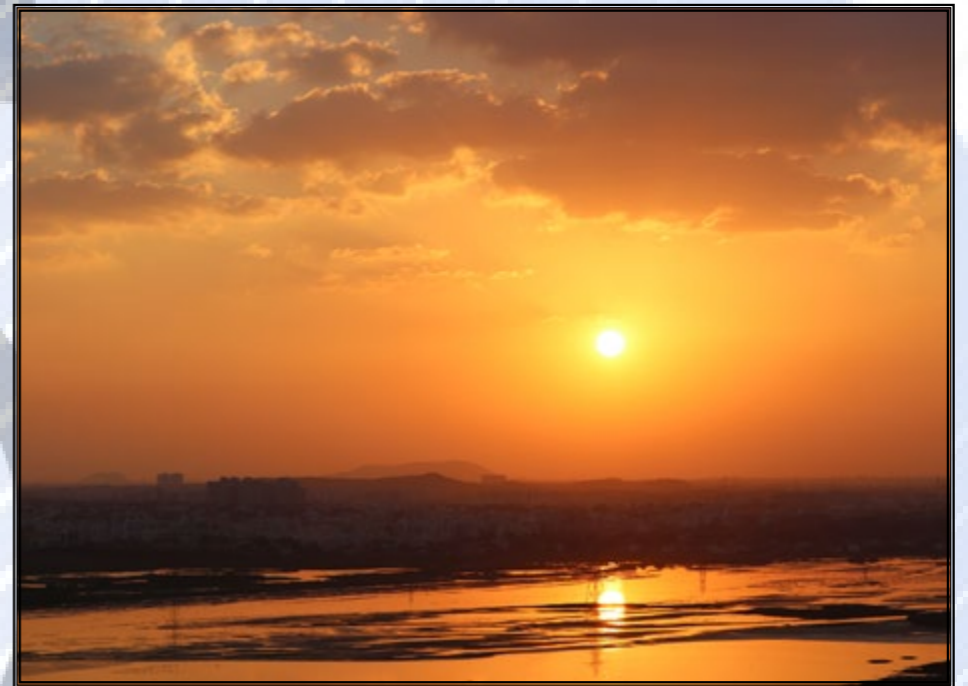


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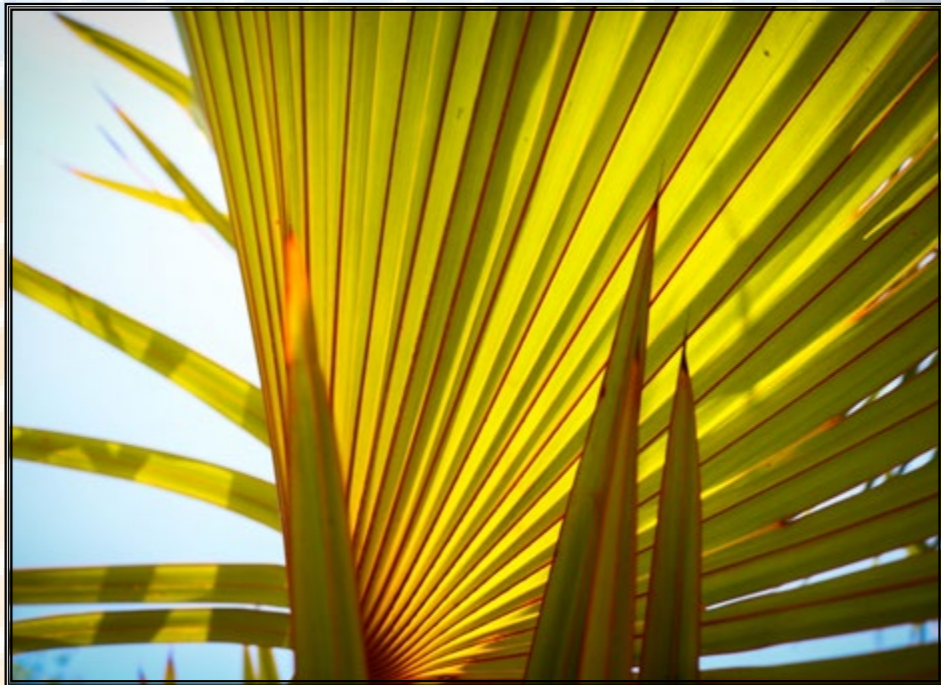


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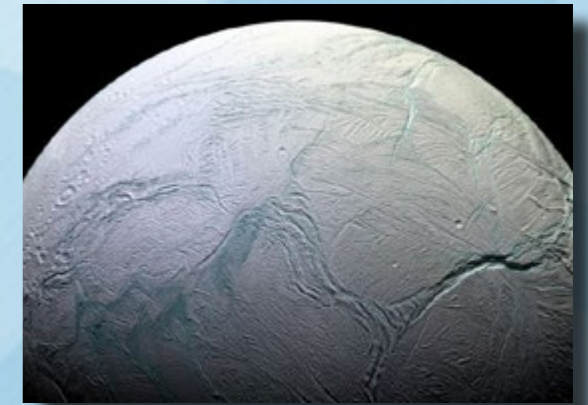


Tamil selvan, Gr 10



# Complex organics found

Large, carbon-rich organic molecules seem to be spewing from cracks on the surface of Saturn's icy moon, Enceladus, according to a new study of data collected by NASA's Cassini spacecraft. The discovery means that Enceladus is the only place besides Earth known to satisfy all the requirements for life as we know it, space scientist and study co-author Christopher Glein said in a statement from the Southwest Research Institute (SwRI) in San Antonio. So do aliens live there? "We cannot decide whether the origin of this complex material is biotic or not, but there is astrobiological potential," Nozair Khawaja, a planetary scientist at the University of Heidelberg in Germany and lead author on the study, told Gizmodo. Beneath its icy crust, Enceladus holds a warm, mysterious ocean that sits above a rocky core. Until now, Cassini had detected only much smaller organic molecules with molecular masses less than 50 atomic mass units. These types of molecules also don't dissolve in water, which means "gas bubbles probably transport the molecules to the surface, where they form an organic film," Khawaja said in the Heidelberg statement. Cassini has also detected molecular hydrogen in the plumes emerging from Enceladus' surface — a key ingredient for life as we know it. Whether or not the source of these complex molecules is biological remains unclear, so the researchers look forward to the next generation of exploration to help them figure that out. "A future spacecraft could fly through the plume and analyze those complex organic molecules using a high-resolution mass spectrometer to help us determine how they were made," Glein said. "We must be cautious, but it is exciting to ponder that this finding indicates that the biological synthesis of organic molecules on Enceladus is possible."



# We found it!

The universe's missing matter has been found, and it's floating between the stars. Researchers who study the ancient history of the universe know how much ordinary matter — matter that makes up baryons, a class of subatomic particles that includes protons and neutrons — the universe created during the Big Bang. And researchers who study the modern universe know how much ordinary, baryonic matter humans can see with telescopes. But until recently, those numbers didn't match up: A full third of the universe's original baryonic matter was missing. Now, thanks to a clever observation involving an incredibly bright black hole, an international team of researchers says they've found it. The missing baryons, the researchers wrote in a study published today (June 21) in the journal Nature, have been hiding out as thin, hot clouds of oxygen gas floating between the stars.

*Shanthanu, Gr 9*



## My comics

My comics have good names  
And they also include games  
So any paper in front of me  
Gets filled with battle and with glee  
It's usually stickmen or ducks  
But surely not with cluck cluck clucks!  
The ducks can be very nice  
The stickmen will always think twice  
They can include time travel  
Or some duckies which eat gravel!  
I don't really make books  
Just on plain paper is how it cooks!  
I usually keep them to myself  
But just sometimes they stay on my shelves  
So my comics, I make just with pencils  
Is the reason I don't usually use stencils!

- Karun Ragavan, Gr 5C

## HOW I SEE THE WORLD .....

A morning full of joy  
A morning full of light  
An ocean full of waves  
This is the beautiful world we live in today.

A forest full of trees  
A world full of talent  
A delicate deer, a ferocious lion  
All same in the eye of the creator.

Birds fly high, as free as they can be  
Bolt and Phelps are the best that we can be  
This is the beautiful world we live in today.

The emotion of love, the emotion of joy  
That's what makes my day

- Neil, Gr 5C

## CYCLING

Cycling is so much fun!  
I ride my cycle with my mum.  
I ride it to the park.  
When it is not cold and dark.  
Cycling is a blast.  
I ride really really fast  
Cycling is so much fun  
I sit under a shining sun.  
I ride my cycle to the school  
Which makes me feel very cool.

- Roshan, Gr 5C

## The Bird

Oh how beautiful is the bird  
Soaring in the blue sky  
The wind flowing through its wings  
It tweets and it chirps  
Maybe it burps  
I think it had worms for lunch  
It zooms by the gardens  
Smelling the flowers wild and free  
I wish the bird was me

- Omkaar Shakthi Sharma, Gr 3A

## Love The Animals

Love the animals,  
Love the animals  
The pigeons on the street  
The cats and dogs we meet

Come on and love the animals  
Really love the animals  
The pigeons on the street  
The cats and dogs we meet

Just don't join in when people are cruel,  
Love's the golden rule

- Veena Ramachandran, Gr 6B

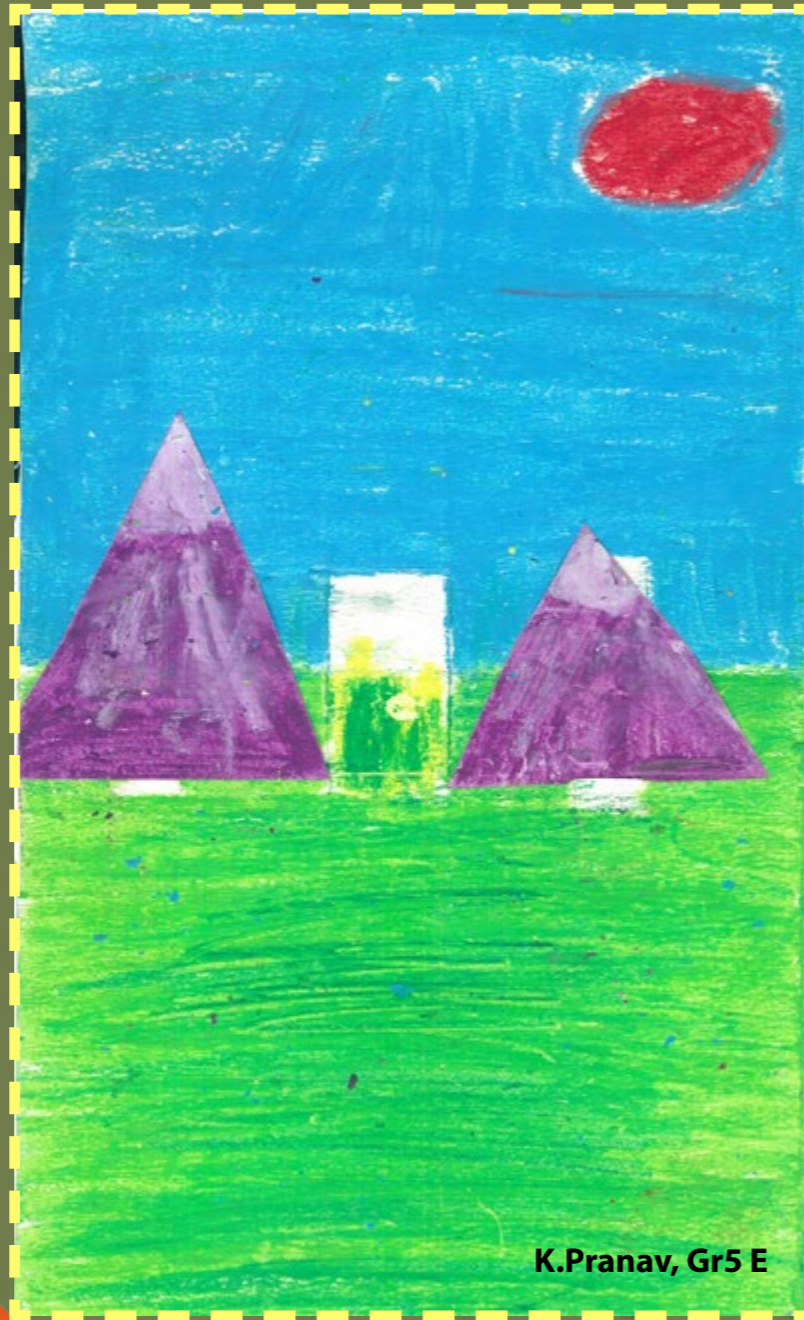




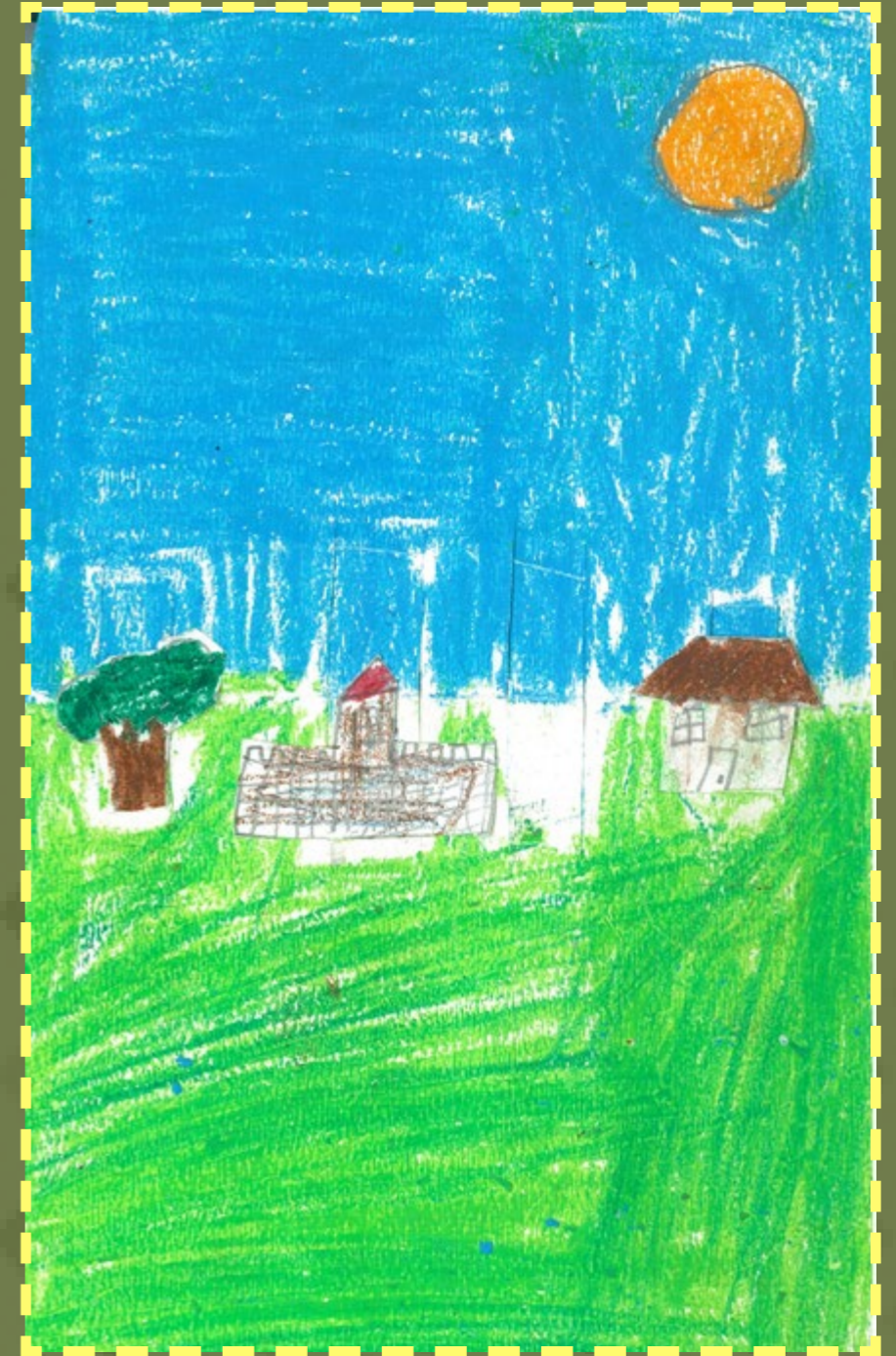
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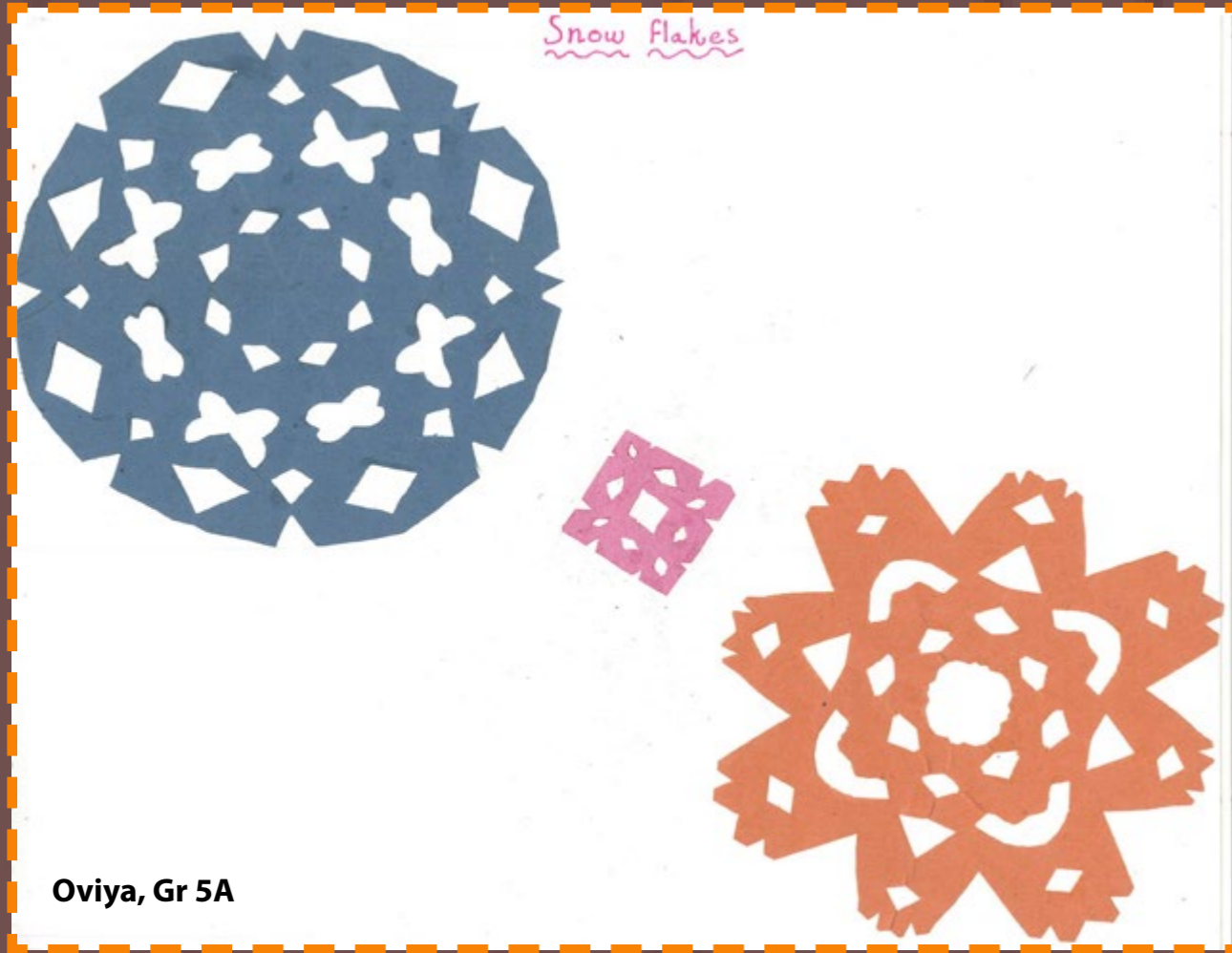




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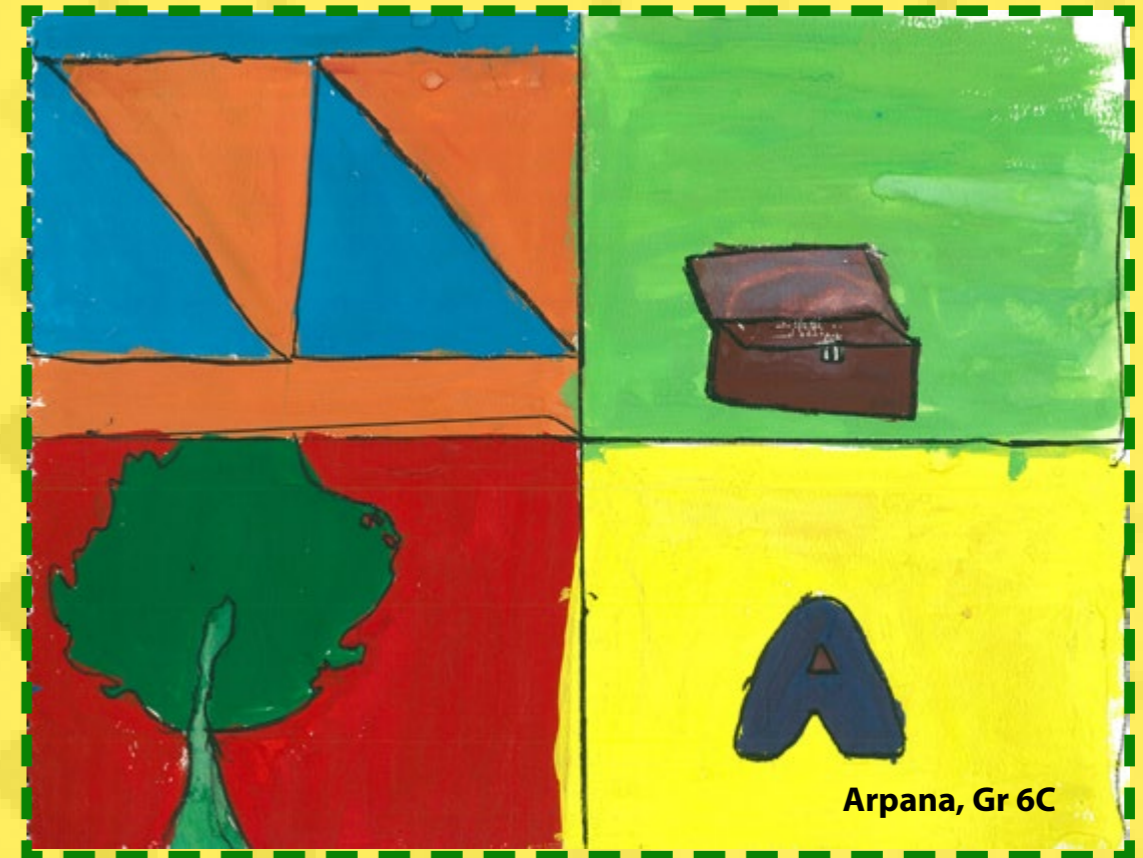
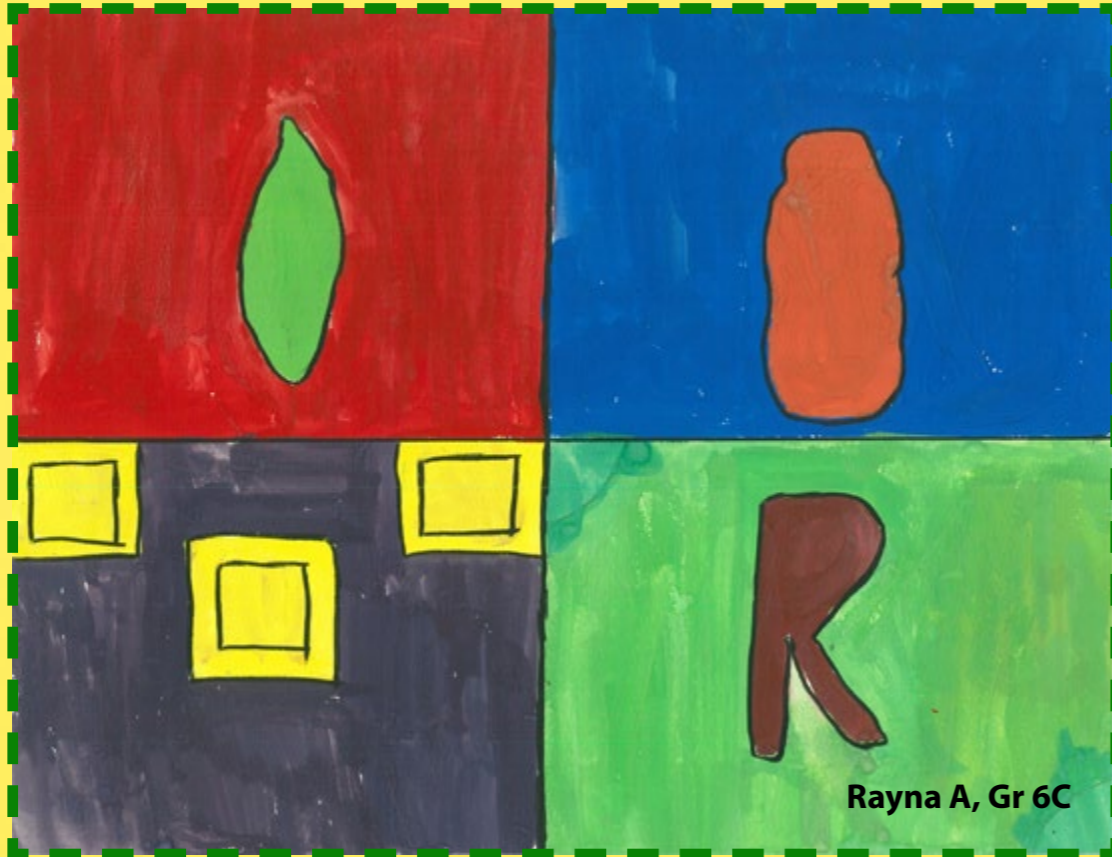
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Working on number bonding

Working on place value







Shapes with playdough

Field trip to Adyar Poonga



Going for plant and insect hunt











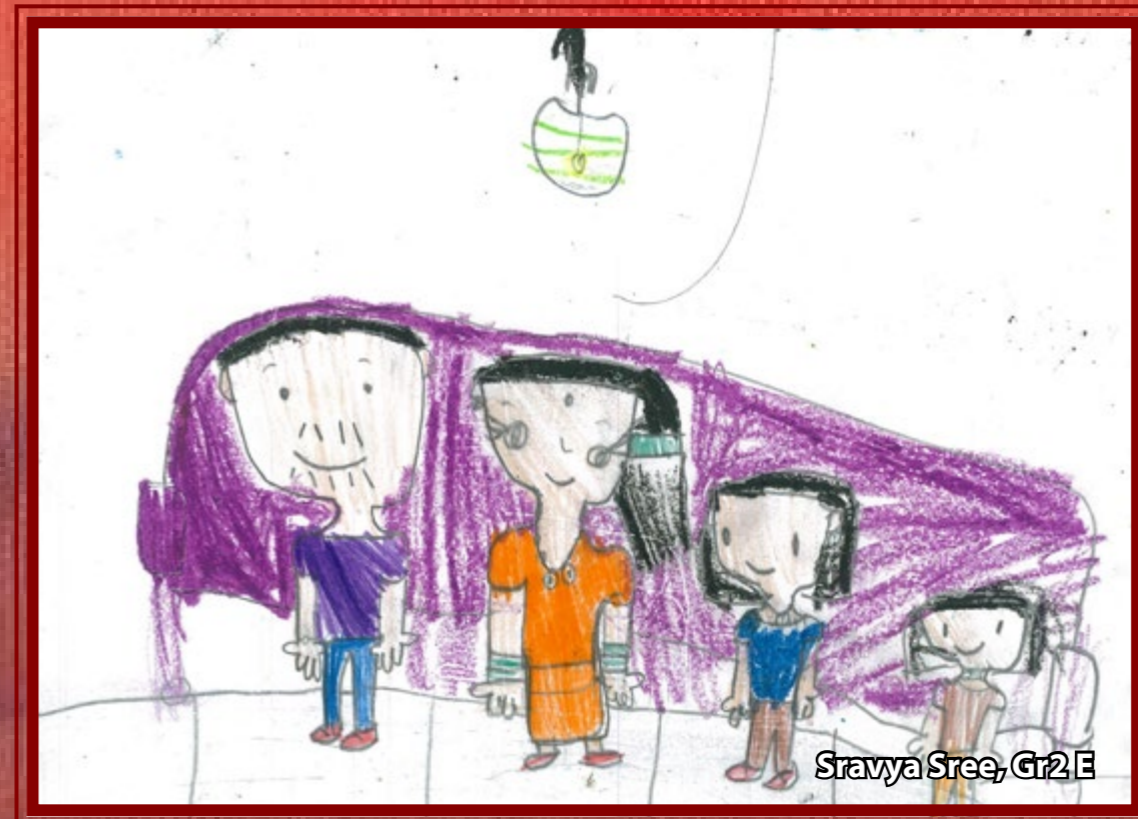
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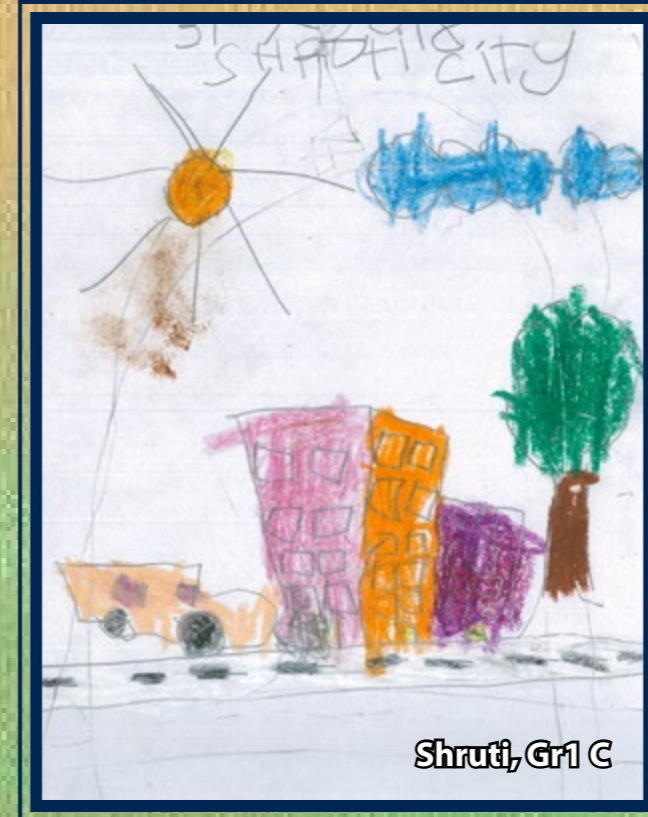


Sravya Sree, Gr2 E





Shalom Lalnunhlmi, Gr2 C



Shruti, Gr1 C



Ji Young Jang, Gr2 C



Sowbarnika, Gr1 E



Here are some interesting and easy to make recipes when you are hungry!

# Potpourri

## Watermelon Popsicles

### Ingredients:

- Watermelon juice : 2 cups
- Powdered sugar : 9 tsp
- Water: 1 cup

### Method:

- \* Mix powdered sugar with water
- \* Add the sugar syrup to the watermelon juice
- \* Pour the mixture in ice cream mould
- \* Freeze for 5 to 6 hours
- \* Take out from the freezer and enjoy a cool popsicle



## Gazpacho Salad

### Ingredients:

- Tomato diced and seeded: 4
- Cucumber peeled and diced: 2
- Green pepper seeded and diced: 2
- Medium onion diced : 1
- Sliced ripe olives drained : 1 can
- Salt: 1 tsp
- Black pepper finely powdered: 1/2 tsp

### For the dressing:

- Olive oil: 1/2 cup
- White vinegar: 1/4 cup
- Lemon juice- 1/4 cup
- Freshly chopped parsley leaves: 1 tbsp
- Garlic cloves minced: 2
- Chopped green onions: 2 tsps
- Salt: 1/2 tsp
- Ground cumin: 1/4 tsp

### Method:

- \* In a deep bowl, layer half of the tomatoes, cucumber, pepper, onions, olives and salt and pepper. Repeat layers two or three times
- \* In a small bowl combine all the dressing ingredients
- \* Toss the ingredients over the vegetables
- \* Cover and chill several hours or overnight
- \* Remove and the salad is ready for consuming



## Mango Salsa

### Ingredients:

- Ripe and sweet mango cubed : 1
- Red bell pepper finely chopped : 1/2 cup
- Mint leaves finely chopped : handful
- Coriander leaves finely chopped: handful
- Lemon juice : 3 tbsp
- Salt and pepper to taste

### Method:

- \* Mix all the ingredients in a bowl
- \* Add lemon juice, salt and pepper
- \* Mix well and refrigerate for ½ an hour
- \* Serve it along with chips





## Blueberry Smoothie

### Ingredients:

- 1 cup blueberries – fresh or frozen
- 1 cup plain yogurt
- ½ cup low-fat milk, or soy milk
- 2 tablespoons white sugar
- A pinch of nutmeg powder
- ½ teaspoon vanilla extract



### Method:

- \* Wash the blueberries and blend them with yogurt and milk for a minute to form a smooth mixture.
- \* Add nutmeg powder, sugar, and water and blend until the desired consistency is achieved.
- \* Serve fresh.

So, what are you waiting for? Try out these recipes at home.....Enjoy!

- Ananya Shankar, Gr 9B

## Icecream

### Ingredients:

- 1gallon ziploc bag
- 1quart ziploc bag
- 1cup milk
- 1tablespoon sugar
- 1/2teaspoon vanilla
- 1/3cup salt
- Ice

### Method:

- \* Pour the milk, sugar and vanilla into the smaller, quart sized bag.
- \* Fill the larger, gallon sized bag 3/4 full of ice, then add the salt to the ice.
- \* Place the smaller bag inside the larger bag and close the seal. make sure you close them both tightly!
- \* Now shake the bag good and hard for 5 minutes.
- \* Rinse the small bag off with cold water before opening to keep the salt water from getting into your icecream





## Riddles

1. What is the building that you leave without ever having entered it?
2. What instrument can you hear, but never see?
3. If I am holding a bee, what do I have in my eye?
4. Say my name and I am no more. What am I?
5. How do you spell hard water with only 3 letters?
6. If one man can dig one hole in 2 days, how long will it take 2 men to dig half a hole?
7. A son and an engineer go fishing. The boy is the engineer's son, but the engineer is not the boy's dad. How is this possible?
8. What kind of a coat can you only put on when it is wet?
9. What did the blanket say to reassure the frightened bed?
10. The more you take, the more you leave behind. What is it?

Divyadarshini Grade 11C

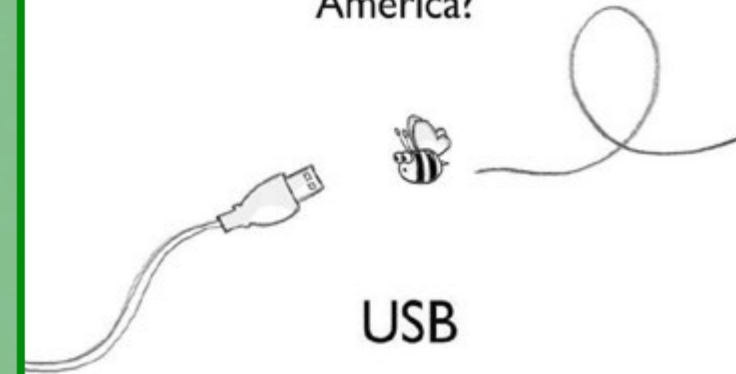
1. The hospital you were born in.
2. Your voice.
3. Beauty, because beauty is in the eye of the bee-holder!
4. Silence.
5. ICE.
6. There is no such thing as half a hole.
7. The engineer is the boy's mom.
8. A coat of paint.
9. "Don't worry, I've got you covered."
10. Footsteps.

What time do  
ducks wake up?



At the quack  
of dawn!

What do you call a bee that comes from  
America?



Why did the  
student eat his  
homework?



Because the teacher told  
him it was a piece of cake!



**How would you like to promote reading in school? Any innovative ideas?**

The same old classic idea, by creating interest and motivating students. Give the students the beginning of a story and ask them to write the body and end by themselves. This will enhance their imagination and some will also be motivated to read more books to get ideas.

**How long have you been in this organisation and as a Librarian ?**

I have been a Librarian for the past three years. Prior to that I have been teaching Global Studies, EVM and Tamil.

**Do you enjoy your job as a Librarian? What is the best thing you like about your job?**

Yes, I enjoy being a Librarian as it is a new skill. Any new learning is my forte. I enjoy mingling with teachers and students.

**Who are the students who come to the Library often? What do they read?**

The students of 10, 11 and 12 come often for reference and to take down notes. They also come to read the newspaper and to complete their assignments without any disturbance. Students also come to borrow laptops for solving papers, work connected with school assembly and other school events.

**Any popular books that you would recommend to the students.**

I would like the students to read the newspaper regularly and also pick up classics to improve their vocabulary. My personal favourite is 'Rebecca' by Daphne de Maurier.

*Interviewed by Shantanu and Kim – Gr 9*



**Mrs. Chandra Gopal, Senior Librarian**

## Interview with the Librarians

**How long have you been in this organisation and as a librarian?**

2+ years as a librarian.

**Do you like your job as a librarian? What is the best thing you like about your job?**

Yes, I do like my job. Because it involves diversified patrons and meeting their needs is a real challenge for me, and I really enjoy it.

**Who are the students who come to the library often? What do they read?**

I am handling junior library, therefore grade 3 to grade 7 turn up as per their timetable. Reading depends on different levels and interests.

**Any popular books you would recommend the students to read?**

There are lots of books for different age groups. I recommend books to the students depending on their likes and dislikes. One book that I would personally recommend is "Alchemist" – Paulo Coelho.

**How would you like to promote reading in school. Any innovative ideas?**

We already have a reading programme that rewards students who come up with a review. To lure them to start a book, I read out a couple of pages and allow them to read further which makes it an interesting read for them.



**Ms. Usha Ramu, Junior Librarian**



We are really glad that we made a good decision of selecting this school for our children.

1. There's proper communication between parents, teachers and children
2. Getting regular updates through email about what's happening in the school
3. Good response and proper guidance from admin
4. We got a good exposure to the new subjects through orientation programmes

**- K. BHUVANESWARI  
M/O VARSHINI, GR 11**

It is about 100 days for Divyadarshini in her new school and we wanted to share our first experiences.

- 1) Divya is very excited about the open and transparent culture in APL.
- 2) The opportunity given to hone their skills/ talent is excellent - be it participating in School events or Inter school cultural.
- 3) APL facilitating workshops for parents/ students on future study options in India/ abroad is something unique and much appreciated.

**- S BALAJI  
F/O DIVYADARSHINI, GR 11**

APL has helped her to explore with confidence the various aspects of her favourite subjects. The transition to the new board has been smoothed out so well by the support of the teachers .

Its extremely satisfying to see her mould into an environment caring adult , thanks to APL !

**- PRIYA  
M/O MEENAKSHI, GR 11**





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