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THROUGH SHARING WE GROW IN JOY AND UNITY

Dear Students,

We have wonderful news! Our School has won the **Rotary Club of Mumbai South BEST SCHOOL AWARD** for the Youth Month Activities (held in September every year). We are also the **AVEC 2012 -13 Project Winner** for Promoting Values and have been conferred the **AVEC 2012 -13 Award** for the **Best School for Project Participation**.

Every year, the girls of St. Anne's take part in many competitions involving talent and knowledge, both within the school and at the inter-school level. They have brought us fame and goodwill and have set us a shining example. We should all be proud of them and resolve to put our talents to similar good use. When our students win, the school wins and when the school wins, all of us benefit from the recognition!

The winners' names are printed in this issue. The competitions are not yet over. Do look out for more winners in the issues to come. Will your name feature?



– Sr. Romana, Principal

PRIZE WINNERS

For Competitions Hosted by Rotary Club of Mumbai South

Swarali Pujare
Neha Patwardhan
Mahima Vaishampayam ☆
Rachel DeSouza
Muskan Charasia
Daxita Chandaliya
Shreya Sharma
Prathibha Mimani
Venessa Dias
Nishna Paria ☆
Sayama Shaikh
Dikshita Chalke
Aditi Hegishte ☆
Vrushali Bansode
Komal Shetye
Preksha Jain
Kinjal Keshri ☆
Pooja Sodha
Maitri Chedda

☆ = First Prize

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Have you ever wondered about the people who write books? When they were children, they went to school like you. Some of them even started writing when they were still very young. So, how did they end up writing the books that you love to read? Do you think that you could ever write a book? What kind of book would it be?

NEW ON THE LIBRARY SHELVES

The Invisible Detective, *Justin Richards*

Pollyanna, *Eleanor H. Porter*

The Magic Drum, *Sudha Murty*

The Railway Children, *Edith Nesbit*

Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing, *Judy Blume*

Rusty Goes to London, *Ruskin Bond*

Rusty Comes Home, *Ruskin Bond*

The Adventurous Four, *Enid Blyton*

The Riddle of Holiday House
Enid Blyton (read all five in the series!)

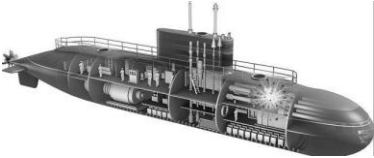


“Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success.” – Henry Ford

NEWS FROM THE NEWS

SUBMARINE TRAGEDY

by Reporter Nishna Paria VII A



At midnight, August 14, 2013, a terrible blast exploded through the INS Sindhurakshak, a submarine of the Indian Navy, while it was anchored offshore Mumbai at the Naval Dockyard. Sindhurakshak means ‘protector of the seas’.

Three people managed to escape to safety but eighteen were left trapped on board. A rescue mission was mounted immediately but the attempt was futile. The bodies of the men were recovered later. Reports indicate that this submarine had previously suffered a fire onboard due to a leaking battery and had been repaired and upgraded. It was standing at dock when the most recent explosion occurred.

The 3000-tonne submarine now lies several metres deep in the sea.



How does a story like this find place in a schoolgirls’ newsletter? Remember that the men who died were once schoolboys too – they had dreams, they had ambitions, they belonged to a family. When they grew up, they served and protected our country and that means all of us. Because of them, we are free to pursue our own dreams and look forward to the future. Let us pray for the repose of the souls of the bravehearts who died and for all those who serve to keep us safe.

POETRY CORNER

SCHOOL!

by Reporter Bhavisha Jain VIII B

School would be fun
If studies were none!

Only games and sports,
No exams, no reports.

Fun and frolic all the time.
Wouldn’t that be just sublime?

But I know it’s just a dream;
Teachers reading this will scream!

‘Cause if there were no schools,
We would all remain just fools.



School also brings out creativity. And Anne-Net shows you just how much!

SUBJECT ROUND-UP

by Reporters Daxita B. Chandaliya VII B
and Pooja Sodha VII B

There are very many **subjects**
On matters plain and complex.

Languages help us comprehend
The messages of fellowmen.

Geometry has many angles;
At least three to each triangle.

Geography is viewed through maps.
Why do Continents have gaps?

And in **Ancient History**
Good leaders all gain victory.

PT means Physical Training
For good health obtaining.

Most subjects can be found in a book
And help to improve our outlook.

Subjects are like teachers who
Ensure a bright future for me and you!

The range of subjects is really vast!
Obviously, all could not be covered in
this poem. Just think of how much you
will have the privilege to learn over a lifetime!



THE INVESTITURE CEREMONY

by Reporter Bhavisha Jain VIII B

Having a Student Council Body to maintain the discipline and decorum of the Institute has long been a tradition of St. Anne's Girls' High School, and the installation of this Council through a poignantly crafted Investiture Ceremony has also become a customary event each year.

Capable candidates whom the students consider worthy of the posts are elected to the posts of Head Girl, Asst. Head Girl, Catholic Leader, Captains, Vice-Captains and Prefects in the Student Council. And this year, the Investiture Ceremony for the Academic Year 2013-2014 was held on July 9, 2013 in the school hall.

The erstwhile office-bearers of the Academic Year 2012-2013 handed over to the new office bearers, their house flags and with them the corresponding duties and responsibilities. The newly minted Council members were then invested with badges and sashes according to their posts. The oath of office was administered and taken in a proud and poised manner.

A well orchestrated (and well rehearsed) school marching band – an integral part of every school ceremony - provided a resounding accompaniment, elevating spirits and providing the momentum to the occasion. It was indeed an uplifting moment as the music seemed to urge the new council to put their best foot forward and fulfill the duties assigned to them by our teachers.

The crowning moment was the sound advice offered by our Principal, Sr. Romana, who inspired the students with these words: deliver your best and prove your true worth! Sr. Romana also assured the complete cooperation and support of the staff and students.

**HINDI PATRIOTIC SONG COMPETITION**

by Reporter Nishna Paria Std. VII A

A Hindi Patriotic Song Competition was held in our school on August 13, 2013. This program was organised to create awareness of patriotic songs and their composition among the students, especially those in Standards V to VII.

Our teacher, Miss Erina, put in every effort to ensure that the students were well trained and she also provided ideas for presentation of the songs. The participants were given advice on how to project a pleasing personality and be confident in front of the judges. Each class selected a song which they performed onstage with customized props and supporting actions. The event was judged by Miss Tasmeena and Miss Neelam and the prizes were awarded as follows:

First Prize: VI A हिंद के जवान हम

Second Prize: VII A आओ पहले एक साथ

Third Prize: VII B एक हे हमारी आज राहें

Our heartfelt thanks go out to Miss Erina for training us for this tuneful and colourful event.



TEACHERS' DAY

by Reporter Krupa Dhandhukia Std. VII A



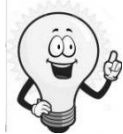
Every year, September the Fifth is earmarked for the felicitation of all teachers! At St. Anne's, we too like to let our teachers know that they are special, and so we celebrated the day as only we know how.

A carpet of rose petals marked the path to the venue and each teacher was greeted with a rose, a card and a smile! The occasion commenced with a prayer service led by the Student Council members, followed by an energetic song especially composed for 'our Teachers at St. Anne's'. A quiz round followed with some pretty tough questions put together by the Std. X students, and spot prizes were gifted for some unusual features like 'the longest earrings', the 'highest heels' and 'the most colours on the dress'! There was even a tie-breaker question. Our teachers met each criterion with their unfailing good humour.

A skit on how God made teachers and a Power Point presentation brought home to all those present how much our teachers do for us, and the entertainment was then rounded off by the *Lungi*

Dance from Chennai Express performed by the Std. X girls. The PTA members distributed gifts and snack boxes to the teachers and staff. The 'day' ended with the Thanksgiving Mass celebrated in Church for the Catholic teachers, staff and students and those who wished to attend.

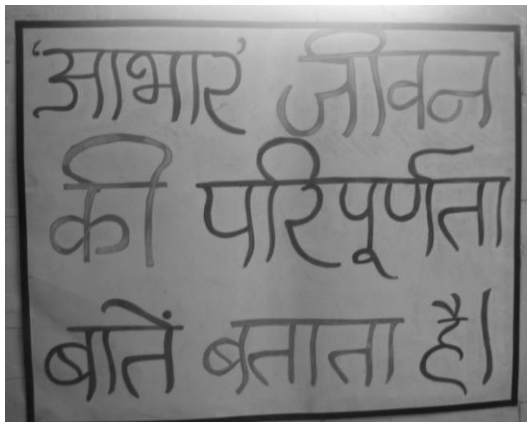
You know that saying, 'East or West, our Teachers are the best'? Well, in the case of our Teachers, it is one hundred percent true!



Do you remember the lyrics of the song for the PowerPoint presentation? Here they are: "This song is for those who inspire us today, who always lend a helping hand to help show us the way. This song is for those who see their students through the tough part in their lives; for this we say 'thank you'. You have made a difference, you have shaped our minds; you have changed the world one child at a time. You have always been there in everything you do. We hope that you're as proud of us as we are proud of you."

APPRECIATION CEREMONY FOR OUR HELPERS

by Reporter Bhavisha Jain VIII B



This year, August 14 was celebrated as Helpers' Day for the very first time. It was a very special event in our school calendar, because all the Helpers who work in the background to keep our school clean, do the fetching and carrying, and various other duties, were appreciated and felicitated.

The celebration was organised by the Rotaract Interact Club and the students of Std. X. The event commenced with each helper being welcomed with a bouquet of flowers. Miss Neelam then introduced the Helpers to the audience comprising Stds. VIII, IX and X. After this, the *Samai* was lit by all the helpers; a prayer service was conducted, followed

by a beautiful song. Each Helper was given a gift in appreciation for service to the school.

A special thank you was expressed by our Principal, Sr. Romana, in gratitude for all the Helpers' good, hard, clean and just work. Sister announced that from now henceforward August 14 would be observed every year as 'Helpers' Day'.

The vote of thanks was given by Liza Issac who thanked the students and teachers for holding the celebration and assured everyone that the Helpers would continue their work with the same sincerity and dedication.

HOW WELL DO WE KNOW OUR HELPERS?

She walks through the school with a smile on her face and keeps a motherly eye on the girls playing in the corridors. She may scold occasionally but most of the time her deep concern for their welfare shines through. Meet **RAJNI EKKA**.

Hailing from Chhattisgarh, Rajni comes from a large family comprising 7 sisters and 2 brothers. Though she would have loved to go to school, there was no money to “buy, books, pencil, pen, writing pad – not even a pen nib”. But that has not dimmed her ambition. Married with two children – a girl and a boy – Rajni is determined that her children will have a better future. She would like her daughter to become a teacher and her son an engineer. The girl is currently studying in Std. VII and the boy is in college, in Std. XII.



Rajni joined our school in 2002, a little over ten years ago. In that time, she has endeared herself to all the schoolgirls who have entered our portals. She believes that all children are equal and that they should be happy in school. She enjoys her work here and we certainly enjoy her presence.

Thank you, Rajni Aunty for your smiling presence and for all that you do for us.

-by Reporters Vaishnavi Chaurasia and Krupa Dhandhukia VII A

LIST OF PRIZEWINNERS – continued from the first page

For Competitions Hosted by Rotary Club of Mumbai South

Sharavani Bawdekar
Sakshi Dhule
Siddhi Upesh Rana ☆
Pooja Samani ☆
Disha Waghela
Lonari Netra

For Competitions Hosted by Modern School

Disha Waghela ☆
Dikshita Chalke

IN-HOUSE COMPETITIONS

P.T. Display – August 12, 2013 Winners: Green House

Participants:
Anjali Pradhan
Tanvi Mudhar
Utsavi Mhapsekar
Anisha Karmarkar
Uzma Shaikh
Sejal Mehta
Kajol Ramin
Tanaya Rele
Sakshi Patel
Ashi Shah
Megha Chaurasia
Juhi Daripkar
Aditi Hegishte
Prachi Patel
Priti Dubey
Anuja Shirsat



IN-HOUSE COMPETITIONS

Patriotic Song – August 13, 2013

Winners: Class VI A

Participants:
Viyom Jain
Durva Tendulkar
Kinjal Jain
Nitya Awasti
Sharmilee Bendre
Dikshita Chalke
Sailee Kadam
Sanika Khedekar
Neha Patwardhan
Neha Yadav
Maitri Chheda
Preeti Jain
Afrin Dange
Archita Mayekar
Shrusti Sane
Siddhi Patel
Ishaana karmakar
Tejal Kapadia
Siddhi Koli
Akanksha Dheb
Shweta Pachpute

English Handwriting

Priyanka Vandur ☆
Sanika Khedekar
Siddhi Patel
Maitri Chheda
Clarensca Vaz ☆
Bhavisha Jain
Chelsea D’Souza

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FEATURES AND OPINION PIECES

COLOUR IN OUR LIVES

by Reporter Harita V. Pitale VA

Can you imagine life without colour? I think not! There are colours and colours and shades of colours, all of which have meaning in our lives.

When you see white, you think peace. Green is fresh and natural while orange stands for sacrifice and bravery. Red means watch out (or 'stop' at the signal while crossing!). Red also stands for energy. Our red uniforms make sure that we have plenty of get up and go! Yellow is the colour we use to indicate 'you're my friend', pink is love and blue strives for progress. But black – the absence of colour – is linked to hatred.

Did you realise that colours can inspire our moods? Why do we like certain colours and dislike others? Why are we drawn to pretty colourful paintings? Why are we happy when we see lovely colours on our walls? And when we go to buy clothes, we enjoy the variety of colours from which we have to choose.

Even infants and very small children are attracted to bright and happy colours. Patients in hospital recover better when their surroundings are painted in clean and fresh colours.



So, what's your favourite colour?



You only have to look at nature to enjoy the infinite colour combinations in God's palette – look at the flowers, the birds, the animals. Even the sky at different times of day, in different seasons, changes colour! Do you agree with Harita's interpretation of colour? Or do you have one of your own? I know that purple stands for royalty, but that's a story for another day.

THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING ON TIME

by Reporter Pooja Sodha VII B

We children have to learn many values because they help us become good persons in the future. Among these values, punctuality is one of the most important.

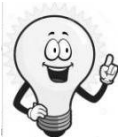
Time is a precious gift. Each moment is given to us to do something with it, but once that moment is gone, it is gone forever never to return. Time wasted can only cause regret and we can avoid this by using time well. Being on time and starting on time is one way to do this.



Great leaders and all successful people understand the value of time – they fill each moment productively and ensure that every task is completed promptly.

Doing our work on time is not very hard. All we need is a time-table for all the things we have to do and then carry them out accordingly.

Once we get into the habit of managing time and being punctual with it, we will find that we have time enough to do everything and time to spare for enjoyment too!



Here's a hint: if you study well for a fixed time every day, you won't have to cram for your exams at the last moment. And if you keep your things ready for school the night before, you'll be able to leave for school coolly and calmly in the morning. Now, that's time management. Punctuality doesn't just mean being on time, it also means that there's a right moment for doing things!



THE IMPORTANCE OF SCHOOL

by Reporter Harita V. Pitale VA

Our school is a very important place in our lives. Here, our right to education is fulfilled, and we obtain knowledge through all the various subjects that we have to study. We make discoveries and encounter new people, places and things. We also get to participate in many competitions within our school and with other schools too!

From our Sister Principal's office, over the PA system, we receive regular updates on values. Students, with the help of their teachers, prepare and read out passages which contain this information. We learn to inculcate good habits and get rid of bad ones: we learn that a clean mind has good thoughts – kindness, neatness, forgiveness and understanding. But an unclean mind thinks only of anger, hate and jealousy. We are made aware that we must treat others equally and with respect. While our Principal and teachers are our role models, we can become role models too if we practice what we learn.

Education is our route to success and school is where this happens.



Does this make school the very best place to be? ABSOLUTELY!



THE IMPORTANCE OF TEAMWORK

by Reporter Mitali V. Gohel VII B

In a team it is vital that all the members support each other wholeheartedly and work for the benefit of the group. Achieving goals would be impossible without the cooperation of the participants, who need to communicate and work together as a 'heterogeneous whole'.

Generally, for any team to be successful there has to be a good team leader. The leader should be able to inspire the team and yet be firm. She – or he – should be able to make the members of the team understand that the team comes first and personal ambition should be pushed to the background.

Today, in schools, colleges and at workplaces, a lot of emphasis is put on teamwork. It is, therefore, essential that all of us learn to work comfortably in a team and undertake our tasks sincerely. When the team succeeds, every member of team also tastes success.

My Goodness! There are so many important things in life! Aren't you lucky that you can learn all of these in school? Think of all the 'teams' that you are part of: dance, drama, singing, sports, Girl Guides, to name just a few. And don't forget your class – the team that you are part of from the day you join till the day you leave.



WHY GAMES AND SPORTS ARE ESSENTIAL

by Reporter Tanushree Satam V A

It is a well known fact that all work and no play make Jill a dull girl! An alert and intelligent mind needs the support of a sound body to be able to function well.

Games and sports keep us physically fit – respiration and circulation come into play as do the muscles and nerves. An active body demands nutrition and so a healthy appetite is one of the dividends of attention to exercise in the form of games.

Games and sports require that rules be understood and followed. Discipline is, therefore, another dividend which will prove advantageous throughout our lives.



We need to interact with others and work together to achieve goals. There is no better place to learn interdependency and support than the sports field where we have to play as a team to be victorious – each and every player helps the other. This virtue of team spirit plays a key role in life's successes.

While playing in a team, the players follow their Captain. Games, therefore, teach us the quality of obedience to our superiors and those in authority.

Life may not be a game, but games certainly help us to cope with life!



What are your favourite games? Can you name any of our current sports achievers like Saina Nehwal, Leander Pais, Sachin Tendulkar,???

THINK ABOUT IT! – collated by Reporters Diya Kothari, Disha Kothari, Lavanya Chaurasia V B

- ✓ Real generosity towards the future lies in giving all to the present.
- ✓ The woods would be very silent if no birds sang except those that sang best.
- ✓ There are no secrets to success. It is the result of preparation, hard work and learning from failure.
- ✓ The fragrance of flowers spreads only in the direction of the wind. But the goodness of a person spreads in all directions.
- ✓ A true friend is one who overlooks your failures and celebrates your success.



(Compiled by Reporters
Bhavisha Jain, Krupa
Dhandhukia, Aayushi Jain,
Durva Tendulkar)

Woman on the bus: Is the bus running on time?
Conductor: No madam, it’s running on wheels!

Rahul: Dad, we’ll be rich very soon.
Dad: How?
Rahul: Our teacher has promised to show us how
to convert paise into rupees!

Beggar: Sir, have pity on a poor beggar.
Man: You poor man, have you no children to look
after you?
Beggar: I have four sons: one in Dubai, one in
America, one in England and one in Japan.
Man: Goodness! Are you not ashamed to beg?
Beggar: They have the same profession there, too,
sir!

Amit: I wish I was living in ancient times.
Arun: Why?
Amit: There wouldn’t be so much history to learn!

Martin: Miss, should someone be punished for
something he did not do?
Teacher: Certainly not!
Martin: Good! Because I haven’t done my
homework.

The teacher instructed her class to write an essay
on ‘A football match’. Ravi finished his essay in
exactly one minute! He wrote: Due to heavy rain,
the match was postponed!!

*Pssst! Your teachers will not find this
funny. So, do not copy the idea!*



Teacher: Mina, spell ‘horse’
Mina: H-O-R-S
Teacher: Mina! What comes at the end?
Mina: A tail!

Sweety: Daddy, how much am I worth?
Daddy: You are worth lakhs!
Sweety: Oh Good! Could I have ten Rupees?

Father: Amit, I’ve been watching you for the past
few days. Why have you been giving the hens hot
water to drink?
Amit: So that they give us boiled eggs, Papa!

Mohan: I’ve been waiting here for the past two
hours. If the trains are not on time, what’s the use
of having a time-table?
Ticket Collector: If the trains aren’t late, what’s
the use of a waiting room?!

VERY SPECIAL CANDY
by Mattie J.T. Stepanek

**One day I will make a bag of
Very special candy
The candy will come in all different colours
Colours like you see in
Good Ordinary Candy
But...
The flavours will be so different and
So special and so wonderful.
There will be little blue candies
that taste like the sky.
And the little green and brown candies
Will taste like grass and trees.
The orange ones
Will taste like butterfly,
The yellow ones
Like flowers and sunshine,
And the white ones like
Clouds in heaven.
And then,
I will make a very, very
Special piece of candy,
That is all different colours
And that glows like a halo.
And that will be the one
That tastes like
Rainbow and Angels.**



*Mattie Stepanek was a very special little
boy. He suffered from muscular
dystrophy – his muscles gradually became weaker
and weaker so that he could not run and play or go
to school. He spent a lot of time in a wheelchair
and in hospital. And while he was there, he used
to put his thoughts down in the form of poems.
Mattie is no longer with us but his poems live on.*



MEET YOUR TEACHERS

CATCHING UP WITH MRS. SANDRA DIAS

– by Reporters Tanaya Rele, Kajol Ramin, Jinal Jain VIII B
with inputs from Reporters Asmita Kshirsagar, Lavanya Chaurasia VB

She is ‘Sandra Miss’ to her students and normally, she is the one who asks us questions. This time, it was our turn!

Miss Sandra studied at St. Anthony’s School, Vasai. Since her school was strict and strong on discipline, she used to be very frightened and because of this, she learnt a lot! Her favourite subjects in school were History and English and she loved reading mystery books. Her favourite colour is red. As a child, she dreamt of becoming an Air Hostess but her talents were channeled in other directions and this wish has remained unfulfilled.

As a teacher, Miss Sandra’s first appointment was in an ICSE school in Goregaon, but she wanted to teach in a Convent School and when the vacancy at St. Anne’s cropped up in 1989, she applied. She was welcomed with open arms and made to feel at home by the other teachers. She confirms that she made the right choice, because her 24 years in our school have been wonderful. She thanks the senior and retired teachers of St. Anne’s for their guidance and influence which made all the difference. She has come a long way from that nervous first day at St. Anne’s when she was appointed Class Teacher of Std. V. Now, she considers our school, where she teaches Maths and English, her second home.

In her free time, gardening, cooking and reading are Miss Sandra’s favourite things to do. She also likes to travel and visit different places around the world. And she believes in helping the poor and needy. She is also concerned about the increasing corruption and pollution.

When asked about the students she has taught, her immediate response was that earlier, students were sincere and hardworking. This seems to have changed in recent times. Miss Sandra wants our students to spread out in different fields, do well in the future and make our school proud. She feels that she has achieved 75% of this target viz. improving our standards and inculcating good values in the students.

Miss Sandra, a career in the skies may not have come your way, but you have certainly given your students wings!

SOWING CREATIVITY – MISS NAMRATA GUPTA

- by Reporters Venessa Dias and Krupa Dhandhukia VII A

Among the happiest memories of her schooldays at St. Thomas High School, Vasai, Miss Namrata counts the school picnics, competitions and securing the First Rank at the SSC Examinations, as the very best. Another happy aspect is her childhood friend with whom she is in touch even today.



Competitions? Yes, she certainly enjoyed these and prepared for them with the help of her teachers and friends. Her advice to students comes from her own experience and is therefore very appropriate: work hard, never give up, keep trying till you succeed!

A desire for independence and a career that she could relate to led her to teaching. She joined our school in 2010 and it has been a very productive two years.

How did she develop her love of Needlework? Well, this was a subject that was part of her Teacher’s Training Course and her instructor helped her develop her skill by teaching her a variety of stitches. This grabbed her attention and gradually her liking for the subject increased. She indulged in her growing love for needlework every free moment that came her way.

Today, Namrata Miss makes it a point to sow the same love for creativity in her students, through sewing and embroidery, stitch, by stitch, by stitch.





HELLO TEACHER, MRS. SARAH D’MELLO
- by Reporters Anushri Deshmukh, Lavanya Chaurasia,
Diya Kothari, Disha Kothari V B

Sarah Teacher tells us that she loved Science best when she was studying at St. Anthony’s High School, Vasai. Science is both factual and interesting. She also enjoyed English because of all the stories that she could read and all the different subjects that she could appreciate.

What else does Sarah Teacher like? Flowers, for one, and her favourite colour is rose pink because it is bright and happy. But most importantly, she loves being with her students as a teacher. We know that she is very friendly and she confirmed to us that she does not like fighting and violence of any kind.

Her hobbies are listening to music and dancing. She also likes watching movies, the Discovery channel and visiting different places.

When your students graduate from Primary to Secondary, Sarah Miss, they will miss your happy smile in the classroom. But we are sure that you will continue to have a friendly word with them and encourage them to travel far in life.



IN-HOUSE COMPETITION RESULTS continued...

English Handwriting contd.

Lopita Das☆
Riya Rambhiya
Komal Bawkar
Neha Wadkar

Marathi Handwriting

Aditi Kavale☆
Minakshi Kalmate
Smriti Motiraras
Amruta Wankhade
Sanika Khedekar
Sharvari Shedekar
Vaibhavi Kudva☆
Vrushali Bansode
Aditi Hegishte
Manasvi Shinde
Bhavisha Jain
Gauri Devkar
Gunjan Belekar☆
Urvi Gohel
Anam Ansari
Lavishka Fernandes
Dhrumi Vyas
Shivani Satta

Hindi Handwriting

Priyanka Vandur☆
Nikita Giri
Vaibhavi Thapania
Aditi Kavale
Krushi Patel
Jignasha Rawal
Vrushali Bansode☆
Femi Gandhi
Sakshi Dube
Ishika Sawant
Shefali Raut
Kajol Ramin
Komal Patel☆
Shravni Bawdekar
Gauri Tribhuvane
Urvi Gohel
Neha Wadkar
Lopita Das

Marathi Essay Competition

Shraddha Mulik☆
Gauri Tribhuvane
Latika Mahajan
Gauri Sakharkar
Siddhi Kuvare
Ramila Jain



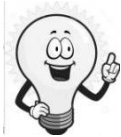
“The will to win, the desire to succeed, the urge to reach your full potential... these are the keys that will unlock the door to personal excellence.” Confucius

TIME PASS

On the next few pages you’ll find puzzles, riddles, crosswords, competitions. Look out for the ‘terms and conditions’!

AROUND THE WORLD

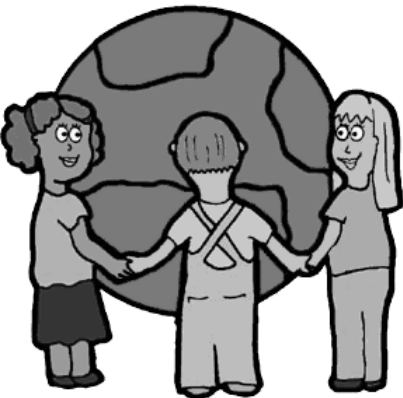
Contributed by Reporter Nishna Paria Std. VII A



Have you visited any of these places?
Do you have some memories to share?
Do write in and tell us about them.

A N I Q R V I Z S C V Y T H I
E K C O G U N I P R M N K W L
C L N C I Q I F O Y A N T Y S
M A R A P T A N L P Q L L F R
E Y N O L U P P A R U S S I A
F N X A M I S J N E L E T Q Y
A A S G D E R A D O M Q U P P
B M J I K A C S N Z W G B E B
Q R E E R I D D I T A L Y L C
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C G K E I N P B T P Y G E O L
B N M G Z F Y O Q A R C A M H
W A V E U U D I R N C X H A N
V B G N E A Q Y L Z O B X N I
T A Q U X M S A P D T Q D U F

AMERICA
CANADA
EGYPT
GERMANY
ITALY
JAPAN
LONDON
OMAN
PARIS
POLAND
ROME
RUSSIA
SPAIN
SRILANKA



ANIMAL CRACKER

Contributed by Tanushree M. Satam Std. VA

U G B D Z C G K B Y T N Z E O
D W U C W I R G A E I O J L C
J C O K R I E O U K G I P E P
K W V A N R Y P C N E L H P L
M L F L A Z B U C O R C X H S
M F A D F Q E U O M D F G A H
E C A H V C E E A E A I T N Z
G V A L L I G A T O R A L T J
N I H P L O D J M Y C Z B E G
R W H E E I W G E O L O S F K
Q A W D O G R K O B U D R I B
O O T B P Q N O M R B S P Y W
M W S D D O W A G O F E E Y M
M U K Q D R A B B I T O X D K
O J K P D I T D A Q K A J U O

ALLIGATOR	TIGER
BEE	RAT
BIRD	RABBIT
CAT	MOUSE
COW	MONKEY
CROCODILE	LION
DOG	GORILLA
DOLPHIN	GIRAFFE
DONKEY	FROG
DUCK	ELEPHANT



RIDDLES AND BRAINTEASERS

(Compiled by Reporters Tanaya Rele, Krupa Dhandhukia, Aayushi Jain, Tanushree Satam, Durva Tendulkar)

- Why did the computer go to the doctor?
- Why did the barber win the race?
- What weighs more: one kilo of feathers or one kilo of bricks?
- Why is the number **10** afraid of the number **7**?
- Why is it difficult to open a piano?
- What is the hottest letter of the alphabet?
- What can run but never walks, has a mouth but never talks, has a head but never weeps and has a bed but never sleeps?
- How many apples can you fit into an empty box?
- The more you take, the more you leave behind! What are they?
- What can you never eat for breakfast?
- What did the Baby Corn say to the Mother Corn?
- What three letters change a girl into a woman?

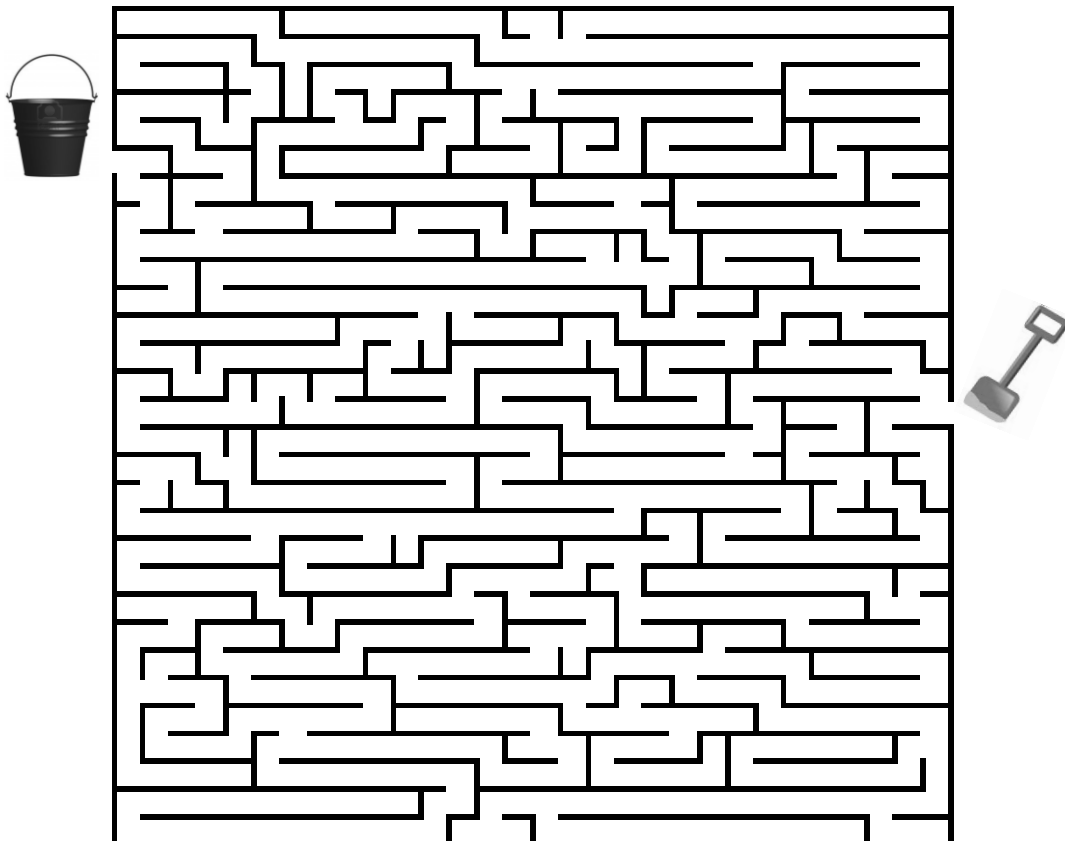


Answers elsewhere. Don’t peek!

LOST AT THE BEACH!

Can you help the spade find the bucket?

- contributed by Reporter Leanne Braganza VI B

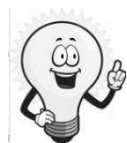


NAME THE DRAWING

This artwork has been contributed by Reporter Nishna Paria, Std. VII A.

It needs a name. Can you think of an appropriate name for this drawing? Use your imagination, send in your answers and we'll publish the best one in the next issue of Anne-Net.

And yes, there's a 'sur-prize' too!



Hint: "Basket of Flowers" will not qualify!



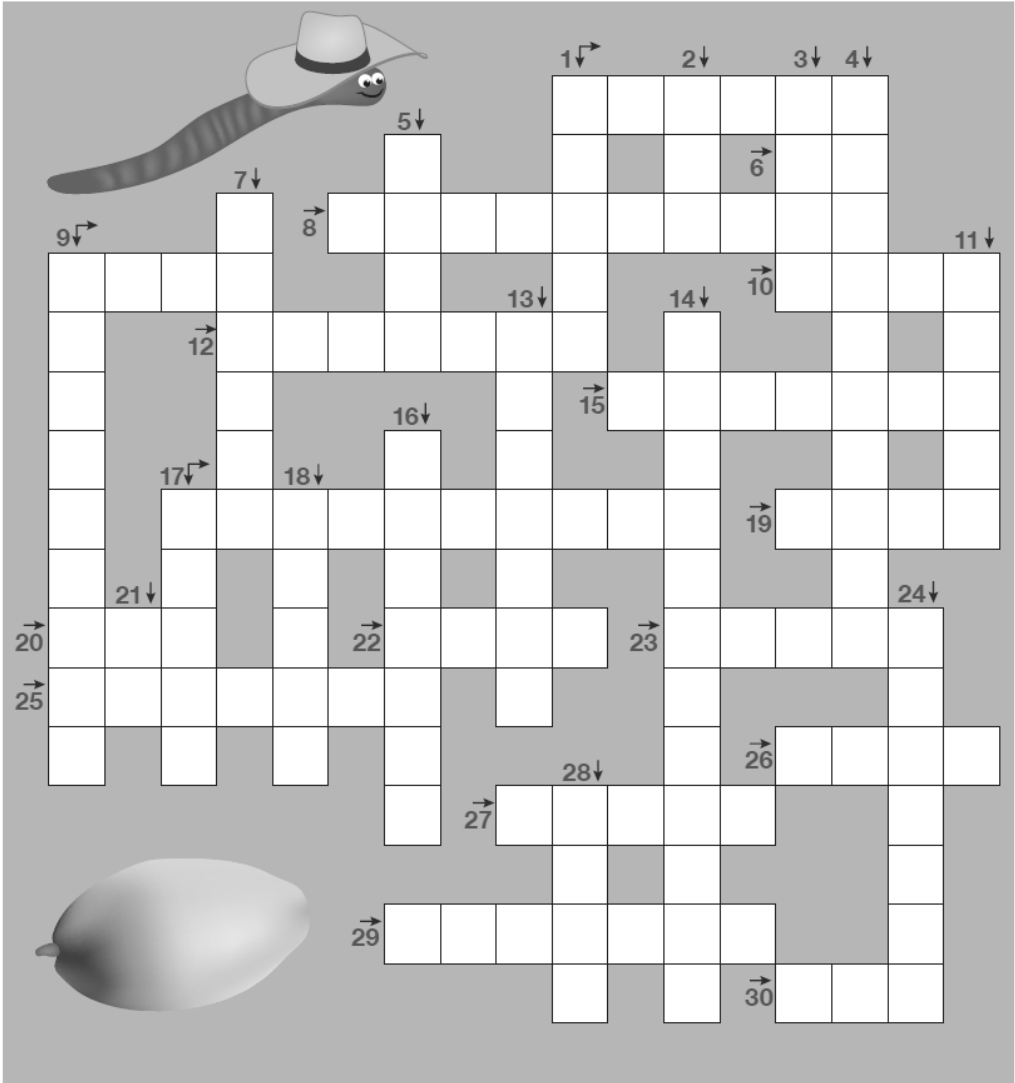
COMPETITIONS

We have two competitions for you. One is a colouring competition which is given on this page and the other is a crossword on the next page. There will be only one prize for each - the 'best drawing' and the 'all correct solution' (if there is more than one 'all correct solution', the prize will be decided by the drawing of lots). The judge's decision will be final. **Don't forget to put your name, class and division on your submissions. THE LAST DATE IS OCTOBER 30, 2013**



CROSSWORD COMPETITION
Send in your entries quickly! (LAST DATE OCTOBER 30, 2013)

Name :.....
Class/Division :.....



- Down**
- 1) quickness
 - 2) belonging to him
 - 3) water falling out of clouds
 - 4) a test, such as in science
 - 5) to jump
 - 7) someone who tends to cows or horses
 - 9) a long, slimy creature that lives in dirt and has no bones
 - 11) not loose
 - 13) jealous
 - 14) the effect or result, usually negative, as in "You'll have to face the _____."
 - 16) to ruin
 - 17) a tart fruit that is red, orange, or yellow
 - 18) fashion, or the way something is done
 - 21) my friends and I
 - 24) energized, stimulated, ready to go
 - 28) the opposite of early

- Across**
- 1) a shape, like a ball
 - 6) a tool used for chopping wood
 - 8) guidance from the person in charge, a personal quality that a teacher should have
 - 9) a repeated sound
 - 10) orderly, clean, tidy
 - 12) covered by something, such as a blanket or paper
 - 15) the part of the day before noon
 - 17) difficult to understand, scary, like a haunted house
 - 19) to nap, to sleep, or a silent beat in music
 - 20) to hold as property
 - 22) a loud, dull sound, as in "That door sure makes a _____."

- 23) something someone said, exactly how she said it, as in a "famous _____."
- 25) normal
- 26) the front of something, such as a head
- 27) something empty, as in "Fill in the _____."
- 29) someone associated with another, such as in business or dancing
- 30) conclusion



INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION – ALL FOR PATRIOTISM

by Reporter Bhavisha Jain VIII B

August 15, 2013: Independence Day – always an auspicious occasion – was celebrated with profound reverence by Indians all over the world. Flag hoisting ceremonies and cultural programmes were held to commemorate the day when India became free from the British yoke. Students across the country put up skits and made speeches to share with their fellow students to make the day special and inculcate national pride.



At St. Anne's Girls High School, too, Independence day was celebrated with great enthusiasm. The teachers attired in white shared the spirit of patriotism and unity. Our Principal, Sr. Romana, and Chief Guest, Mr. Sampat Thakur, hoisted the Tricolour and, by their advice, instilled in us the desire to be loyal to our country, its Constitution, our National Flag and everything that is Indian. Different readings were selected from the Bible, the Qur'an and the Bhagvad Gita - the Holy Books of Christians, Muslims and Hindus. Speeches in English and Marathi helped the students relive the sacrifices made by our Freedom Fighters.

The melodious choir, comprising our schoolgirls, sang an inspiring patriotic song projecting the message of our great leaders to 'wake up to the call of Mother India and serve her promptly and effectively'. The Green House girls performed an enthusiastic P.T. Display highlighting the topic, 'I love my India'.

Our Principal shared her thoughts on how we students can make great strides in all spheres to enable India turn into a heaven where, in Tagore's immortal words, "the mind is without fear and the head is held high."

The splendid celebration ended with an expression of gratitude to the many heads and hands that had pitched in with their best to make the program a grand success. **Jai Hind.**

The speech in English, delivered by Sayama Shaikh, Std. X, is reproduced below.

Savour the content, it says a lot!



"Honorable Chief Guest, Sister Principal, Teachers, Staff and my very dear friends: Today, we celebrate the 67th Independence Day of our great nation. On this joyous occasion, I convey greetings and good wishes to all our people living in this beautiful country and pray for peace, progress and prosperity.

Every year, the Fifteenth of August is a golden day engraved in the history of our country and the world. Freedom was won for us on this date and it is well worth the celebration. When we commemorate the day by hoisting the flag, playing our National Anthem with fervour, and distributing sweets, we need to also look back into the past to remember and pay homage to those who laid the foundation of an independent India.

My dear friends, we are privileged indeed to be born in a free country. We are able to breathe our own air, safe from bondage. If at all we want to understand the agony of being slaves under foreign rule, we must ask our elders born before 1947. It was indeed a Herculean task for every Indian, in those days, to fight against those in power. We must not allow those hard times and struggles to fade from memory. It is fitting for us to celebrate such days of national importance and recall the valiant deeds of our heroes. We remember them today: right from Mahatma Gandhi to the local patriotic leaders to whom we owe our gratitude. When we regard those martyrs who laid down their precious lives for our sake, we must not ignore the common people who also sacrificed much for the good cause.

Today, we have come a long way. We have proved ourselves worthy of freedom. We are considered the largest democracy in the world! How proud we were when Abhinav Bindra made our National Flag flutter while the Jana Gana Mana played at Beijing. We are happy when India shines through her citizens.

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But we cannot be blind to the black clouds that threaten us. There are bomb blasts, killings, attacks on Government offices, cases against politicians, rapes, devaluation of women and unstable governance. Well my friends, what can a student do? Should we go and catch terrorists? Should we fight against corrupt politicians? Or should we march and take over the country and wage another war for freedom?

NO! We are not expected to do all these things. We must be observant and be ready. We will have our own day. But before that, let us do our duty by preparing ourselves to be well educated citizens of tomorrow. Let us discharge this duty, as students, sincerely and study hard to achieve this goal.

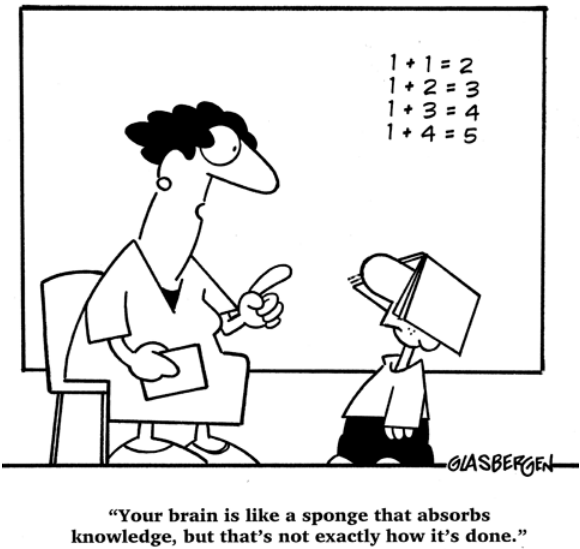
Today, we require young people with knowledge, talent, discipline and dedication. Illiteracy is the first enemy of a democratic nation. Let us take every advantage of the education we receive in order to educate others and take India to a bright future.

Jai Hind!

All good things come to an end and so too this issue of Anne-Net. We'd like to leave you smiling – enjoy the cartoons that we have chosen with ‘us’ in mind!



ANSWERS TO RIDDLES	
•	Because it had a virus.
•	Because he took a short cut.
•	Neither, both are one kilo!
•	Because 7 8 9 – seven ate nine!
•	Because the keys are all inside.
•	B, because it makes oil boil!
•	A river.
•	One. After that the box is no longer empty!
•	Footsteps
•	Dinner
•	Where is Pop Corn?
•	A-G-E



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