

August - 2019

Namaste Parents,

Wishes and greetings to all of you in this month full of festivals. The month of August witnessed a lot of festive fervour in school with all the preparations that went into the organising of events like SMIS MUN- GRS- Indiation event, offered to us by Skillsphere. Our Grade 10 students were in charge of all the arrangements and preparations. Taking charge of hosting an event in school is a complete life skills package. Such an event is an opportunity to collaborate through teamwork, indulge in creative thinking, problem-solving and decision making as well as making effective communication at all times amidst learning to mitigate day to day challenges. We are proud to say that the event was a roaring success. Teachers and students of other schools were very happy and satisfied with the arrangements made and the way the event was managed. You may read the feedback [here](#).

Our children are using all their writing skills to create poems and stories. We have had 39 entries already and are ready to send them off for the 'Katha' contest. Talking of creative writing skills, we have a reason to celebrate as our Grade 4 student Amaira Saboo's poem was published in the NIE edition dated 28th August 2019. You can view the poem along with other children's work on [this link](#).

Four of our students participated in the Literary fest organised by the KDAV school Jamnagar. It was an excellent experience for them to stand before a large audience and speak. Ours is one of the rare schools that provides children opportunities to improve their skills and to enhance the existing ones, through programmes that provide simulation and an edge over and above their classroom syllabus. In order to understand these new programmes, we make it a point to invite parents to attend various orientations (like for MUN, Indiation and LEAD and Trinity exams). The orientations help parents to be aware of their importance and take informed decisions, which is a bigger reason for being in a school like ours. But we find that parents' attendance for these orientations is very low; this is very disappointing.

Last but not the least, September compells us to pay respect to our teachers. On the occasion of 'Teachers' Day', we share these few lines from the poem 'The Old Violin- The Touch of the Master's hand' by Myra Brooks Welch, that befit the work of a teacher:

The audience cheered,

But some of them cried, "We just don't understand."

"What changed its' worth?"

Swift came the reply.

*The Touch of the Master's Hand.*