

The Impact



"If you cannot do great things, do small things in a great way."

Napoleon Hill

A school as an organisation is a living and evolving entity which affects and is affected by the environment. We, at St. Karen's Collegiate School are well aware of our role and potential to impact the inner and outer world. We are also mindful of the fact that one needs to grow, change, adjust and take actions according to the environment. The challenges thrown to us by the pandemic are unprecedented, but our resolve is equally strong which helps us in manoeuvring our way through all kinds of difficulties. To launch a Newsletter amidst the pandemic was another such challenge which our academic staff and students took head on and carried it out with aplomb.


Students as well as teachers need an outlet for their creativity, ideas and developing critical thinking skills. "Writing makes an exact man," said Francis Bacon. Original writing which involves the process of imagining, thinking and finding appropriate words of expression, will surely lead the way to be exact. The only safeguard to observe here is to see that the student does not plagiarize the piece. Here the teacher has a role to discourage him and to ensure that such pieces do not find a place in the Newsletter.

A newsletter is a perfect medium to allow creative expression, exchange of ideas and peer-to-peer influence. Apart from that, it not only contains the information on the school activities, events and performances for parents but also is a means of

fostering and strengthening the connection between school and home. Our team at St. Karen's Collegiate has tried its best to bring out the first edition of a bi-monthly newsletter in a short span of time. Surely its publication is another step in our continuous pursuit of excellence. Challenges however hard they may be, cannot subdue our rising spirit. Instead they embolden us to look for a creative solution.

Here is a platform where parents can also help in encouraging their wards to write and guide them in writing. Pandemic has brought the parents close to the school. The Newsletter will bring them closer. We firmly believe that effective school-home communication will promote parental involvement in children's education and deepen mutual relationship, leading to better outcomes.

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Passion is Contagious

Passion is contagious especially when it is rooted to purpose. It is the driving force which helps us achieve our goals despite the obstacles in the way to success. A passionate person passes the enthusiasm and hope to everyone around and motivates us to broaden our horizon.

Developing the right attitude and passion is of foremost importance while educating a child as it lays a solid foundation of a strong personality in the child. Passion is the fuel that inspires and drives young minds towards specific goals no matter how unlikely or difficult they might be. The right attitude helps in taking challenges in a stride and never giving up till success is achieved.

As we embark on the journey of the new academic year, our passionate teachers pour enthusiastic energy into the challenging role of online learning, ensuring every interaction enriches the young minds and keep them passionate and motivated.

*Painting their future,
Guiding their thoughts,
Helping them nurture,
Faith, hope and love.*

*Greeting them every day,
With a smile on my face.
Guiding them along the track,
Of a never ending race.*

*The part of my job I love,
Is helping them achieve
And preparing them to reach
their goals,
Is the reason why I teach.*

- Shubhra Nishant Singh



The Facilitators

*"We are not just teachers,
we are awakeners."*

*"Creative and enthusiastic,
Karenites are always optimistic."*

*"Children's Hearts,
Teacher's Art."*

*"Teachers of St. Karen's
Collegiate School aspire to
inspire the young minds."*



Feast Day

The Feast of our Patron Saint St. Katherine was celebrated virtually on 29th April as St. Karen's Feast Day. This year's Feast Day Celebration held a special meaning for all of us as we prayed together along with our families for our brothers, sisters, students and parents who suffered due to Corona virus disease. The celebration began with fervent prayers by the Headmistress and teachers. The prayer dance by Shefali of Std- 8 created a heavenly ambience.

The flame of candles lit by the students of Std 2 & 3 spread the ray of hope and brought our souls from darkness to a bright new beginning. The students of Std 6 enacted the verses of St Katherine and expressed their love and gratitude for the patron saint. The school choir created mysticism and musical ecstasy through their song '**Teri hai Zameen**' which was followed by the school song. The programme was anchored by Tashya of Std 8.



To commemorate this day with faith and joy the students of Std 1 - 8 made beautiful wall hangings with feast day messages, paper angels, lilies, paintings and sketches of St. Katherine.

Ambedkar Jayanti

Dr. Ambedkar's vision, inspiring life and thoughts have always reinforced our conviction that a nation to be governed would need absolute commitment and positive thinking by its citizens. He also gave voice to the rich traditions, different faiths and beliefs of the country.

On the occasion of the 130th birth anniversary of Dr. Bhim Rao Ambedkar, various online activities were organised by the students and teachers on 14th April 2021. The students of Std 4 presented posters, made slogans on Dr. Ambedkar and discussed about his contributions and achievements in their online classes.



To pay a tribute to the greatest visionary, philosopher and humanist, the students of Std 5, 6 and 7 gave a short presentation on the harmonizing initiatives taken by Dr. Ambedkar for the people of India during the era of freedom movement and also highlighted about his role and efforts in the struggle for a modern, democratic and socially just India in their speech. The teachers talked about the significance of Baba Saheb's ideology in their classes and motivated the students to inculcate his values in their lives.

"Cultivation of mind should be the ultimate aim of human existence"

- Dr. B. R. Ambedkar

Activity

The teachers of Social Science department organized an Inter-Class Quiz Competition for the students of Class 8 to mark the occasion of Ambedkar Jayanti. The competition covered questions from the life of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar as well as his contributions to the Indian Constitution.

The quiz was divided into five interesting rounds. The students showcased their spontaneity by answering the questions in all the 5 rounds. Though some of the questions were very challenging but the participants tried to put their best foot forward in answering them. The competition was informative and knowledge enriching and helped the curious minds to display their knowledge, confidence and enthusiasm.

The quiz was adjudged by our Headmistress ma'am who appreciated all the teachers and participants for their efforts in making the e-teaching-learning process an enjoyable one. She said that such competitions encourage the students towards the cultivation of mind which is a vital component in the growth of any individual's life.



Earth Day

Earth Day is the day celebrated every year on 22nd April to create awareness among people about their environment and to reflect upon what we are doing to make our planet a better place. This year we celebrated the 51st Anniversary of Earth Day with the theme- "Restore Our Earth" which focuses on natural processes and emerging green technologies that can restore the world's ecosystems.

On this occasion, different virtual activities were conducted by the teachers and students of our school. The students of Classes 1 to 8 presented their thoughts and expressed their concerns about the problems faced by Mother Nature such as global warming, conservation of natural resources, pollution, etc and suggested possible solutions for them through their presentations. They also displayed their amazing artistic skills and created 'Best out of Waste' items such as wall hangings, pen stands, flower vases, etc.



"Let's take care of the Earth now, to continue living tomorrow".



Mother's Day

A mother is an epitome of everlasting love and affection that no one can ever replace. The day that recognises the very essence of this love was celebrated in high spirits and merriment with online activities held on 8th May, 2021. The students made this day special by their unique craft ideas such as handmade jewellery stands, photo frames and Mother's Day Cards with lovely messages for their mothers



"No language can express the power, beauty and heroism of a Mother's love"
– Edwin Chapin



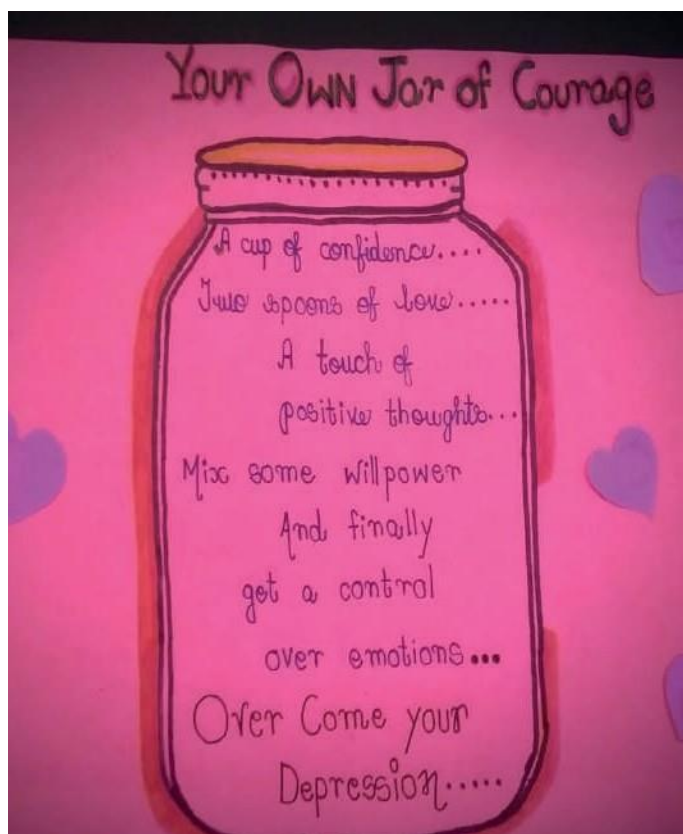
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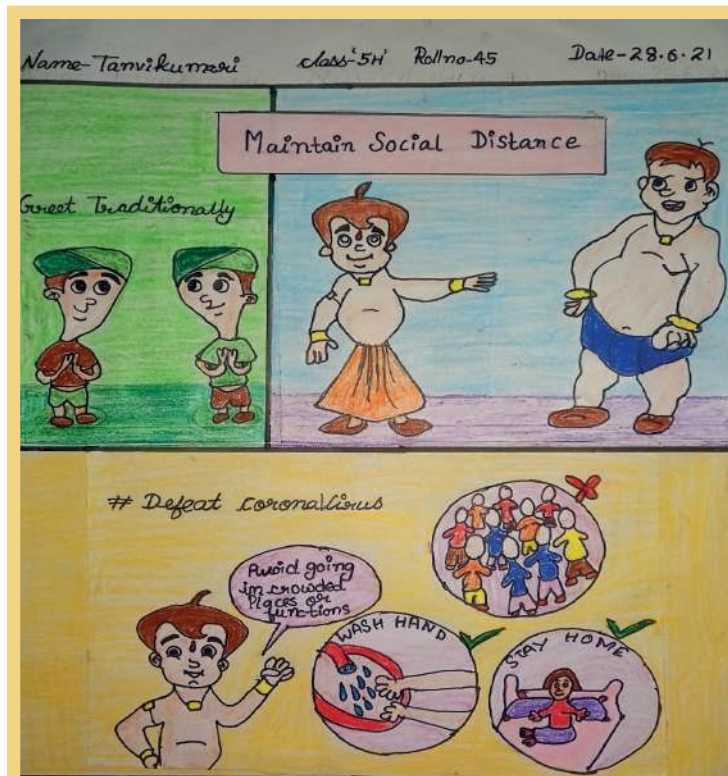
On this occasion, the teachers of Hindi Department organized an Online Hindi Poetry and Speech Activity for the students of Classes 4 and 5. The students through their beautiful presentation, expressed their love, care, gratitude, appreciation and spoke about being humble, respectful and thankful to mothers for their unconditional love and sacrifices



In Focus

Life skill education plays a vital role in developing the right attitude towards life. As the young students are moving towards adolescence it is imperative to teach them to stand up for their rights and fight against injustice. The topic in focus for the month was 'bullying'. Here is a glimpse of students' expressions which has certainly left a deep impact on the young minds.





Creative Expressions



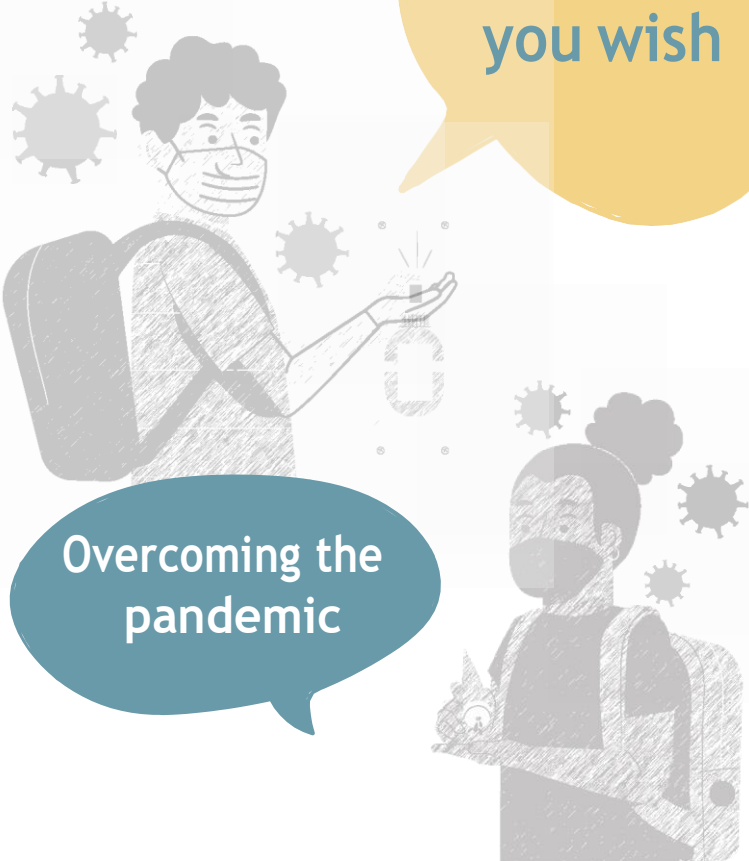


Name - Priyanshi Sinha Class/Sec - 7E Roll no - 36

ONLINE CLASSES

SOME GOOD EXPERIENCE	SOME BAD EXPERIENCE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Online classes helped us to continue our studies from our home during this tough time. * I am spending lots of time with my parents and family members. * I am getting much time to concentrate on my studies. * Because of online classes I am safe at home and continuing my studies. * I am getting time to know more about myself and technologies. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Sometimes, I am not able to attend the class properly because of poor network connection. * When I look on the screen for a long period of time, it causes irritation in my eyes. * I am missing my school environment, my friends and the fun we used to have in our schools. * Sometimes, I am not able to understand and use the features of Zoom app (app through which classes are taken) and it causes difficulty for me to work on it.

Think before
you wish



Reflective Insights

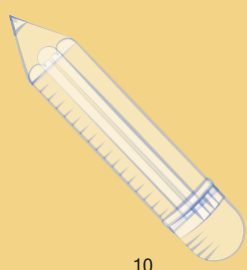
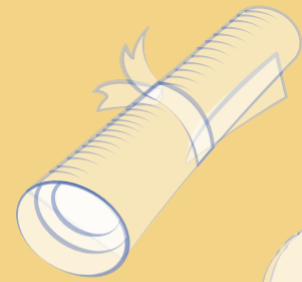
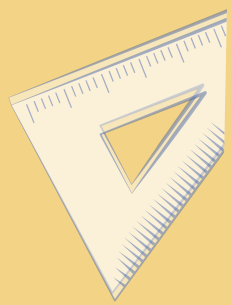
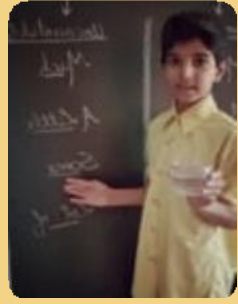
Experiential learning provides a platform to the students where they are able to evaluate their performance, cater to different learning styles and joyfully address classroom diversity. This not only enhances the process of learning but also improves the critical thinking and decision-making abilities of the students.

"The pandemic has taken away all the fun we used to have in school. But the Online activities conducted by our teachers made the classes more interactive and interesting. It was a new experience for me to discuss my ideas with my friends."

Vishesh Ranjan, 5D

"The activity on 'Quantifiers' cleared all my doubts and now my concept is crystal clear."

Rudraksha Singh, 5H





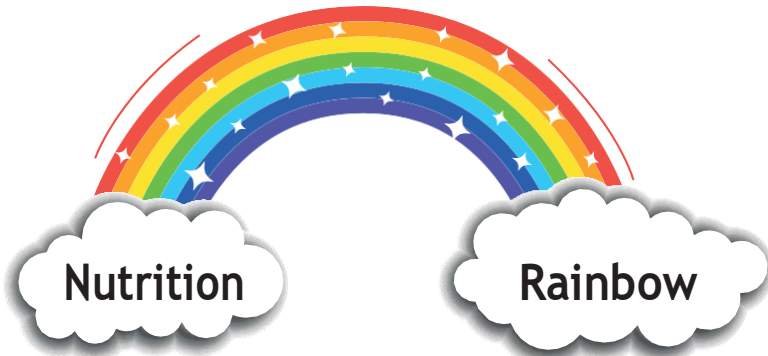
"An Inexperienced Ghost"

Graphic Illustration of the story " by Ananya 7B

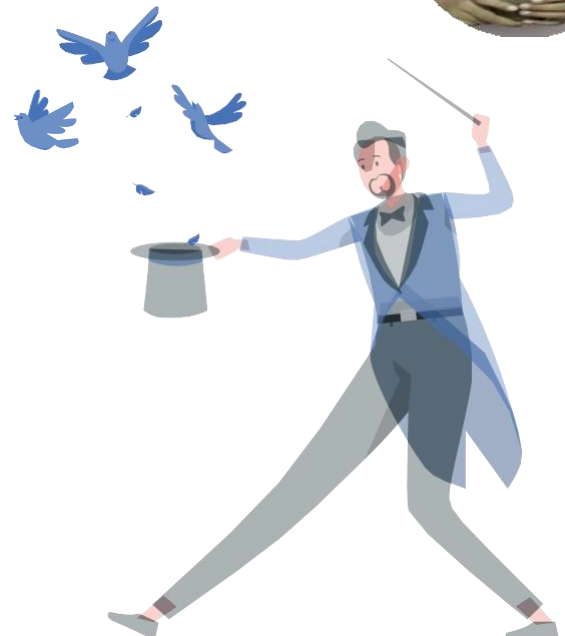


Mini Miracles

With so many food choices available today, it is important to instill good eating habits in the children at a young age. Learning to choose the right food to eat when young, can promote a lifetime of healthy living choices. The good news is that through the fun activity of 'Design Your Plate with Colours of Nutrition' our children not only learnt the names, taste and colours of many fruits and vegetables, but they also learnt the importance of a healthy diet. The students prepared colourful fruit and vegetable salads to convey the message that **"A Healthy Outside starts from the Inside."**



*Learning by doing provides kids with an opportunity to think, talk and present their ideas in an innovative way. The students of Std 1 presented their projects on **Germination of Seeds***



Mini Miracles

How young children approach JODO GYAN



The students of Std 1, 2 and 3 displayed their problem solving skills through their application of the innovative methods which they learnt during **Jodo Gyan** sessions. The use of simple materials to understand and solve the problems of Mathematics has improved their reasoning skills.



What I like in my virtual class?

I liked the story of 'LITTLE ONE INCH'. I also enjoy singing in my online music classes.

-Aaira Zawi

I like reading stories in my DEAR classes.

- Shiza Ahmad

I like reciting multiplication tables in my online classes.

- Ritik Ranjan

I enjoyed participating in online JAM competition and LSV quiz.

-Piyush Garg

I liked doing activity on germination in my EVS class.

-Piyush Kumar

I liked making monster in my DEAR activity.

-Aaruhi Gupta

I like to participate in pair activities and answer all the questions that my teacher asks.

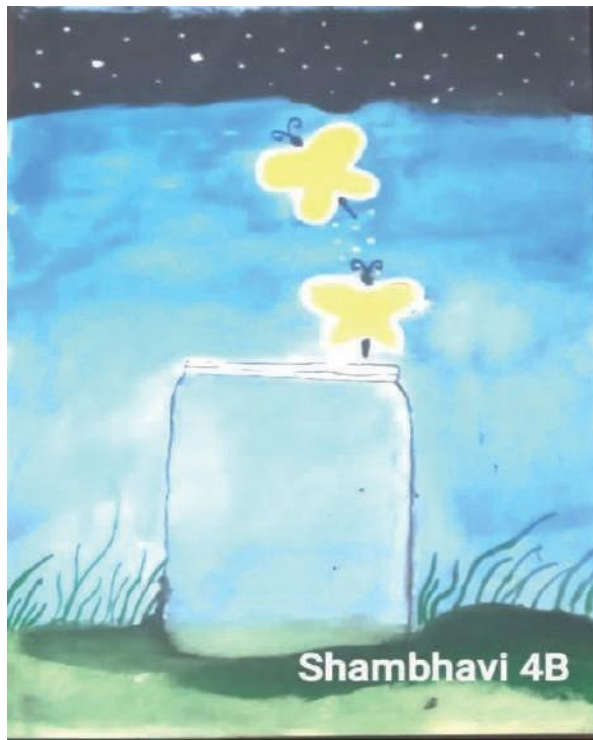
-Afsheen Fatima



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Aradhya, 4B



Shambhavi 4B



Kritahang Kumal 4H



Swashit Raj, 4F



Let's play mathematically

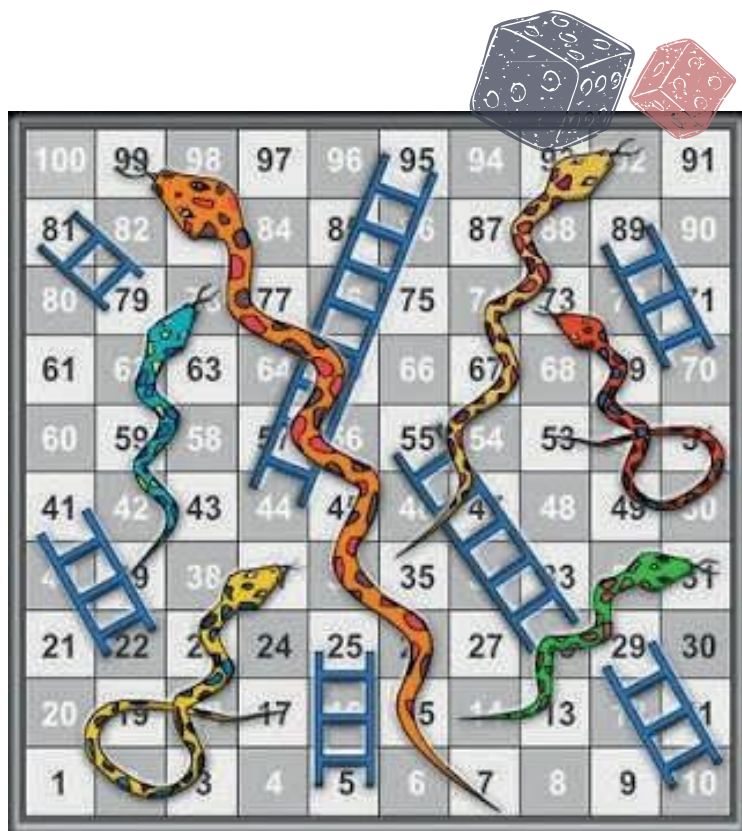


100 Squares full of Traps & Tricks... Ladders will take you up but Snakes will take you down!

Are you afraid of serpents? No problem! You don't need to roll a Dice. Just pick your pen and play it mathematically..

Snakes & Ladders

- 1) You are at the start square 1
 - 2) Now you throw the dice and move 4 steps ahead
 - 3) You are at the square of a number
 - 4) In the next throw you get 6. Oops! You slither down
 - 5) Lucky enough to get another 6, you are at 1 score.
 - 6) Your next throw takes you to the second multiple of 11.
- Now tell me how far you are from your finishing point.
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Answer: You are at 41(59 steps away from the finishing point.)