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Grades I to V

From the Principal's Desk

A garden requires patient labor and attention. Plants do not grow merely to satisfy ambitions or to fulfill good intentions. They thrive because someone expended effort on them."

– Liberty Hyde Bailey

Ambition is enthusiasm with a purpose. But this ambition will remain a distant dream if it is not backed by ardor and passion to achieve that aspiration.

A strong motivator, passion can help you on your path to realizing your goals. A strong sense of interest and enthusiasm for your goals is sparked by passion. It increases your desire to grow, learn, and exert the effort necessary to get where you want to go. It sustains you in the face of difficulties and setbacks.

Your will to push through difficulties is fueled by your passion. Being passionate makes it harder for you to give up easily. You are willing to work extra hours, change your strategy, and never give up because the goal itself is rewarding. Your passion is the propeller for your persistence.

Passion enables you to set priorities and maintain unwavering focus on your goal. Your ultimate objective is compelling and obvious, so you can block out noise and distractions. Time and resources are used more effectively because of this unwavering focus.

A deeper sense of meaning and purpose is connected to your ambition through passion. It gives you the impression that your goal is more than just reaching a certain point. It is also about making a positive impact on the world or gratifying a joyous personal desire. Naturally, ambition devoid of passion can still result in some degree of achievement. Nonetheless, a strong passion for what you are doing is frequently the source of genuine fulfilment and the perseverance required for noteworthy accomplishments. Recall that the journey itself has value and that enjoying the ascent is just as important as reaching your goal's summit.

Thus, never put out the flame of your passion! It will serve as your beacon of hope as you work towards realizing your goals and achieving your ambitions.

**- Ms. Madulikka Sharma,
Principal**



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“Quote of the month

“Great ambition is the passion of a great character. Those endowed with it may perform very good or very bad acts. All depends on the principles which direct them.”

Article from Headmistress



In the symphony of life, passion and ambition often serve as the driving forces behind our endeavors, propelling us toward our goals and aspirations. They ignite the fire within, nudging us to strive for greatness, pushing boundaries, and embracing challenges head-on. Passion is the compass that guides us toward what truly sets our souls on fire. It's the spark that fuels our enthusiasm, leading us to explore uncharted territories and discover the depths of our capabilities. It's that innate inclination towards something that brings us joy, purpose, and fulfillment.

However, ambition is the wind beneath passion's wings. It's the relentless pursuit of our goals, the unwavering determination to turn our dreams into reality. Ambition fuels perseverance, resilience, and the courage to weather the storms on the path to success. But here's a perspective that often goes unacknowledged: Ambition cannot flourish within the confines of a comfort zone. It requires stepping out, taking risks, and embracing discomfort. Growth doesn't sprout from familiarity; it emerges from challenges and experiences that stretch our boundaries.

Sometimes, though, life presents us with a delicate balance between ambition and other crucial aspects, such as family. There are moments when prioritizing our family might require compromises on our personal aspirations. It's in these moments that our true strength lies—not just in the pursuit of our passions but in the ability to prioritize and adapt to the needs of our loved ones. It's vital to recognize that compromising on one's passion for the sake of family doesn't diminish ambition; rather, it showcases the depth of our love and commitment. It's about understanding that nurturing relationships and being present for our loved ones are equally significant achievements.

In essence, our journey toward realizing our ambitions can be multifaceted. It might demand stepping out of comfort zones, facing hurdles, and making tough choices. It's a journey that requires resilience, adaptability, and the wisdom to discern when to push forward and when to pivot. As we navigate this intricate tapestry of passion, ambition, and family, let's remember that they aren't contradictory forces but threads intertwining to weave the fabric of our lives. Embracing our passions, chasing ambitions, and honoring our family commitments can coexist harmoniously, each contributing to the richness of our life experiences.

So, let's dare to dream, pursue our ambitions with fervor, yet remain attuned to the needs of our loved ones. For it is in this delicate balance that we find the true essence of a fulfilling life.

**- Ms. Sujata Rathaur,
Headmistress**

Activities @ School



Co-Curricular Activities

CCA Christmas Decoration

In the festive spirit of Christmas, students from grades I to V participated in creative activities to spread joy and showcase their talents.

Grades I & II students crafted delightful Christmas decorations, transforming our school into a hub of creativity and enthusiasm.

Grade III students created charming Snowmen and Gingerbread Ornaments, promoting harmony and festive cheer.

Students of grade IV embarked on a journey of imagination, crafting captivating 3D reindeers, amplifying the holiday spirit.

Grade V students engaged in a cross-curricular activity, turning Q-tips into intricate snowflakes, adding a touch of magic to the season.

Each activity fostered creativity, joy, and a sense of community, making this Christmas season truly special for all. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everyone!



Assemblies at a Glance



Significance of Christmas

"May peace on earth find a lasting place, as we embrace the Christmas spirit daily"

Grade II 'A' & 'B' came together to spread joy during this festive season, sharing the significance of Christmas and celebrating the birth of Christ. The students showcased their artistic talents by recreating a beautiful picture featuring Mother Mary, Kings, Shepherds, and Angels.

The festive atmosphere was heightened with a lively dance performance to 'Jingle Bell' and a heartwarming choir rendition of "We Wish You a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year." The assembly not only celebrated the joyous occasion but also showcased the collective spirit of grade II 'A' & 'B', spreading warmth and festive cheer to all.

Importance of time

Time, once lost, cannot be reclaimed." Grade II 'E' seized the stage for a heartwarming assembly expressing the importance of time. The students showcased the importance of time through a captivating blend of song, dance, and skit.

Teachers emphasized the significance of time management in daily life, instilling crucial lessons. The students' enthusiasm and energy were palpable as they embraced their roles with zest. In a nutshell, the assembly was a fantastic fusion of spirituality, creativity, and practical wisdom, leaving a lasting impact on everyone present. Kudos to grade II 'E' for a memorable performance!

Eat Healthy - Stay Healthy

Grade I 'E' conducted a lively assembly centered around the theme "Eat Healthy, Stay Healthy." The objective was to instill in our young learners the importance of making nutritious food choices for a strong and fit life. The students presented a



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skit showcasing the difference between healthy and unhealthy foods in a humorous way. Through a tug-of-war, healthy food emerged victorious, emphasizing the benefits of a balanced diet. The assembly featured placards, a song, and a clear message: "Eat healthy and stay healthy." Let's continue to encourage our children to make wise food choices for a brighter and healthier future.

Energy Conservation Day

Grade IV 'I' students led an assembly for Energy Conservation Day to stress the importance of spreading awareness about saving energy. They showcased their talents through a skit, dance, and song, all aimed at educating their peers about their role in preserving energy for a sustainable future. The students also presented models of energy conservation systems like windmills, solar panels, and hydro turbines, along with informative speeches. The presentations were informative, emphasizing the benefits of renewable energy sources and practical tips for reducing energy usage in daily life. As the assembly ended, a sense of responsibility and awareness remained. The event successfully instilled in students a better understanding of the significance of energy conservation.

Armed Forces Flag Day

Grade IV 'D' students showcased their dedication and creativity in a compelling assembly centered around the theme of "Armed Forces Flag Day." The meticulously prepared presentation featured a variety of activities, including posters, dance performances, roleplays, speeches, poems, and songs. The main goal of the assembly was to deepen the students' understanding of the importance of the armed forces. The event successfully kindled enthusiasm among the children, fostering a sense of patriotism and respect for those who dedicate their lives to safeguarding the nation.



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National Milk Day

The grade IV 'A' & 'J' presented an assembly celebrating National Milk Day while emphasizing the crucial role of milk in the daily lives of young children. Through a lively skit, the students highlighted the journey of milk from the farm to the table, fostering an appreciation for the sources of their nourishment. In addition to its nutritional significance, the assembly aimed to instill a genuine love for milk by creating a positive association through a vibrant atmosphere and a captivating dance performance. The objective was to establish milk not merely as a dietary necessity but as a delightful and enjoyable part of their daily routine, encouraging a lasting habit. Concluding on an informative note, a student delivered a compelling PowerPoint presentation, encouraging interaction by posing thought-provoking questions to the audience. This dynamic presentation not only celebrated National Milk Day but also educated and entertained the school community. The assembly provided a comprehensive educational experience, connecting children to the origins of their food, nurturing a love for milk, and empowering them to make healthier choices.



Class activities:



Yardstick - Design your garden

This activity designed for first-grade students aimed to enhance their understanding of plant diversity and emphasize the importance of plants in our daily lives. Using a yardstick as a creative tool, students explored various plant types like trees, shrubs, herbs, climbers, and creepers. This hands-on approach not only made learning enjoyable but also allowed students to appreciate the significance of plants in a fun atmosphere. The activity fostered both plant identification and a broader understanding of the role plants play in the environment, ensuring a well-rounded and memorable learning experience for the students.

Math Lab Activity - Roll a dice

Engaging children in math through hands-on activities sparks enthusiasm and cultivates problem-solving skills. Grade II students participated in the Math Lab Activity named "Roll the Dice" where students formed small groups, rolled the dice to create numbers, and systematically tackled multiplication problems. The activity concluded with groups adding their products to determine the ultimate winner. This interactive approach not only made learning multiplication enjoyable but also addressed repetitive errors in a playful manner. Encouraging students to actively apply math concepts in real-life scenarios ensures a deeper understanding and mastery of essential skills.

Animal Mask Making

In a bustling classroom filled with the laughter and creativity of enthusiastic grade I students, a unique and engaging activity unfolded – The Animal Mask Making Adventure. The goal was simple yet exciting: each student would craft a mask resembling their favourite animal and, in the spirit of fun, wear it proudly. The Animal Mask Making Adventure extended beyond mere crafting; it became a valuable learning experience. Teachers incorporated discussions about different animals, their habitats, and



Class activities:



unique characteristics. Students eagerly shared facts about their chosen creatures. The Animal Mask Making Adventure not only ignited the spark of imagination but also left a lasting impression on these young minds, fostering a love for learning and creativity.

Activities on Adjectives

Introducing Adjectives to young learners is the most enjoyable area of teaching English. One of the most effective ways to improve learner confidence and language retention is to encourage the use of adjectives. To make learning fun and last forever the teacher of grade II 'G' provided the learners various opportunities of participating in the activities related to adjectives in the classroom. These activities were conducted in the month of December in small groups with the help of colourful flashcards and pictures. Learners were totally engrossed and enthusiastically participated in this fun learning process. The teacher incorporated different tasks to appeal to as many learning styles as possible, and therefore made them not only fun but effective as well.

National Symbols Riddle Activity

Grade III students were engaged in an interactive activity centered around national emblems, including flags and anthems. Presented with intriguing riddles, students embarked on a journey to uncover the hidden identities of these symbols. This exercise not only piqued curiosity but also fostered critical thinking skills. By unraveling the mysteries behind national symbols, students gained a deeper appreciation for the heritage and identity of various nations. This hands-on approach to learning ensured that students not only memorized facts but also understood the significance and pride associated with these symbols.

Mock Court Trial

The mock court trial activity successfully achieved its objectives by actively involving students in a dynamic and educational role-playing experience. Students



Class activities:



demonstrated improved critical thinking, communication, and teamwork skills, gaining a practical understanding of legal procedures and the principles of justice. The activity not only fostered a positive learning environment but also sparked an interest in the legal system among the participants.

Young Scientist Club- Herbarium

A herbarium is a collection of preserved plant specimens and associated data for scientific study. (Scientific name of plant, habitat of plant, uses). It also provides information about the distribution and occurrence of certain plant species. Grade V students collected different flowers, leaves, and parts of flowers that were available in the garden without damaging plants. They were instructed to collect various flowers without damaging plants so that they would feel grateful towards nature. They used white paper, collected material and glue to present this information through the herbarium. It facilitates the identification of plants and also aids in taxonomic research. It is essential for the study of plants. It helped to develop skills like observation, and recording changes in vegetation over time. The dried and mounted plant samples are generally referred to as herbarium specimens which act as a quick referral system.

Diversity in Festival and Dance Role Play

In our vibrant grade III classroom, we created excitement to embark on a special day where students showcased the rich tapestry of festivals celebrated around the world. On this unique occasion, our young learners dressed up in simple Indian clothing or costumes related to the festivals they hold dear. This festive endeavor not only fosters a sense of celebration but also provides an interactive way for our students to learn about diverse cultures. Each child had the opportunity to speak a few lines about the festival they are representing, sharing its significance, traditions, and the joy it brings to their lives.



Class activities:



Science Lab Activity - Filtration

Water is essential for life on earth. We get water from many sources, such as ponds, lakes, rivers and streams. In our homes, we get water through pipelines and taps. However tap water is usually dirty and needs to be cleaned properly before it can be used for drinking. Grade IV students observed the lab activity demonstrated by their science teacher in the laboratory. The students observed how insoluble impurities are easily removed by the process of filtration by using filter paper. And To remove soluble impurities we either boil the water or use a distillation process. Distillation is a better process than boiling because water does not get wasted. This process gives the purest form of water called distilled water. Teaching water purification is not merely an academic activity; it has social and personal implications that can enrich students' lives and shape them into informed, compassionate and empowered individuals.

Adjective flower bouquet

The students of grade III enthusiastically created an Adjective Flower Bouquet as part of their English class activity. They combined their artistic skills with their understanding of the topic 'Adjectives'. This hands-on activity not only showcased their creativity but also helped make them understand uses of different types of adjectives in real life. In this activity students made different flowers for Adjectives of Quality, quantity and numbers. They have used the petals of the flowers to write examples. Overall the students enjoyed the activity.

Story Narration using Finger Puppets

Storytelling is an essential part of learning for kids from a young age. Stories help children develop creative and critical thinking that is instrumental for better learning all through life. The students of grade III actively participated in the Story narration using finger puppets activity and demonstrated stories using finger puppets. The students presented their stories confidently, making learning a



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delightful and immersive experience. The puppet playtime adventure provided a memorable and engaging class activity that not only enhanced storytelling skills but also fostered their communication, creativity and expression.

Food, nutrition and cooking club- Salad making

In a recent culinary adventure, our Food and Nutrition Club (grades III & IV) showcased their creativity by crafting a vibrant Tomato, Cucumber, Capsicum, and more Salad. They achieved this through fireless cooking techniques, emphasizing the art of healthy eating without traditional flames. From the crisp crunch of fresh cucumbers to the vibrant colours of juicy tomatoes and bell peppers, each ingredient was meticulously selected and prepared to perfection. This activity not only nurtured their culinary skills but also highlighted the joy of crafting delicious and healthy meals. Cheers to our young chefs and their commitment to nutritious exploration. Bon appétit!

Be an Inventor, Design an Invention

In a recent English activity centered around the theme of inventions, students were encouraged to apply their learning to real-life scenarios by identifying problems in their surroundings and proposing innovative solutions. Our young learners were very enthusiastic and came up with innovative ideas and unique creations. The projects addressed real-world problems, showcasing the practical application of classroom knowledge. This activity also highlighted the importance of nurturing a learning environment that encourages curiosity, critical thinking, and hands-on exploration. Amongst the innovators, Vedant Mali from 5I stood out with his exceptional creativity and technical prowess. Vedant's invention not only showcased a unique idea but also demonstrated his hands-on skills by constructing a fully functional model using Arduino Uno, an ultrasonic sensor, and a servo motor—all independently crafted by the young innovator.



Class activities:



Young Scientist Club- Water level Indicator Activity

Students of grade V made a Water level indicator during their Young Scientist Club. A water level indicator is a device that provides information about the water level in a tank or reservoir. It can help you monitor the water level and prevent overflow or dry running of the pump. The water level indicator works by using the principle of electrical conductivity. When the water level in the tank or reservoir rises, it comes into contact with the other one of the wire making the circuit close and thus current starts flowing which leads to buzzer sounds, an alarm or the Led to glow or both.

Yardstick Activity - Layers of Atmosphere

Layers of atmosphere Life on Earth would not be possible without air. Our air (the atmosphere) provides us with oxygen to breathe and carbon dioxide for plants to live. Not only does it contain the oxygen we need to live, but it also protects us from harmful radiation. It creates the pressure without which liquid water could not exist on our planet's surface and it warms our planet and keeps temperature habitable for our living earth. These five different layers provide protection and make life possible because of the constituent gases that state the significance and importance of the atmosphere. These layers provide a wide range of distribution of gases at each layer of the atmosphere. Grade IV students performed yardstick – layers of atmosphere to understand each layer better and its importance for all living things. Students used stickers of living things, aeroplanes, parachutes, and the satellite Moon and they were able to identify the occurrences that take place in the different layers of the atmosphere. Teaching layers of the atmosphere is not merely an academic activity; it has practical, social, and personal implications that can enrich students' lives and shape them into informed, compassionate and empowered individuals.



Events

Lead By Example



In a grand celebration of education and innovation, teachers from various schools gathered for a unique competition known as 'Lead By Example'. This event served as a platform for educators to showcase their

distinct teaching methods and methodologies, fostering a collaborative environment for the exchange of ideas and best practices. Every year, the Edunation's Team orchestrates & Lead By Example & an extraordinary event spotlighting teacher's remarkable contributions to the realm of 'Excellence in Education'. This annual teacher competition focused on the effective implementation of teaching strategies that has brought about tangible enhancements in learner performance. 'Lead by Example' has become synonymous with innovation, as educators present compelling case studies showcasing their proficiency in developing subject-related skills while simultaneously moulding students into 21st-century learners.

The presentations were done in four levels

Level 1: Pre-primary section – Nursery/Prep I/Prep II

Level 2: Primary Section – Grades I to V

Level 3: Middle School Section – Grades VI to VIII

Level 4: Senior School Section – Grades IX to XII

The regional round of LBE was conducted on 2nd December 2023 and was judged by 4 eminent jury members' Ms. Megha Chandvankar, Mrs. Sheetal Chavan, Mrs. Urmila Sharma, Mrs. Versha Gupta. All experienced educators, education experts, and administrators. They evaluated the participants based on criteria such as creativity, student engagement, impact on learning outcomes, and adaptability to diverse learning styles. LBE proved to be an absolute success, showcasing the wealth of talent and dedication among educators from different schools. Beyond the competition, the event highlighted the importance of continuous learning and collaboration in the field of education. By celebrating teaching excellence, LBE inspired teachers to push the boundaries of traditional education and embrace new and innovative approaches to teaching and learning.



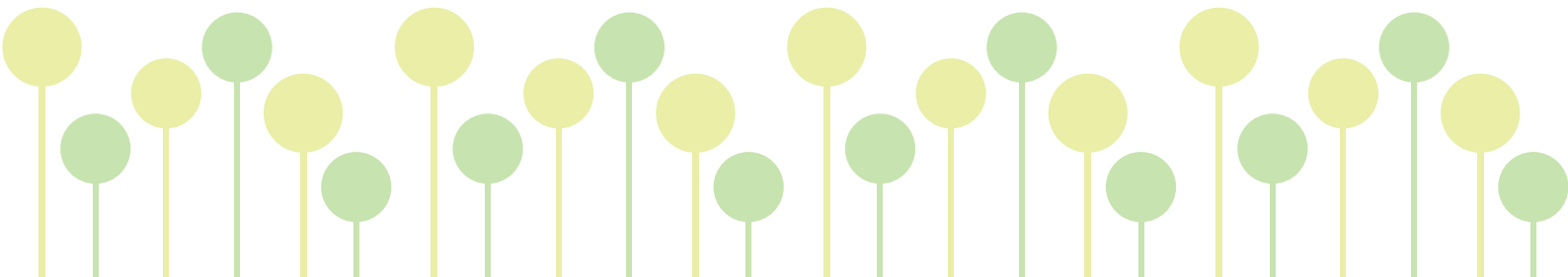


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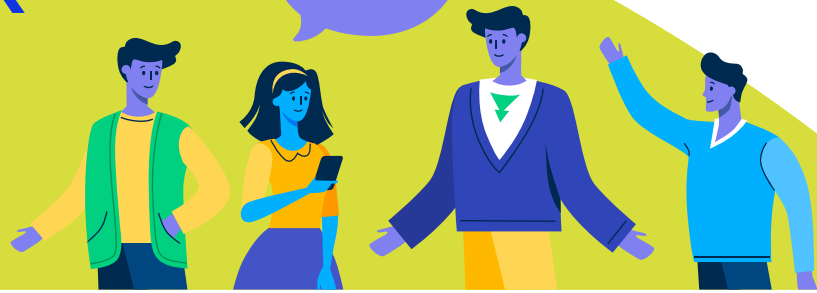
"The very substance for the ambitious, is merely the shadow of a dream," William Shakespeare

Passion, to me, is about "PURPOSE"; a purpose in life that can change lives around you. Passion can help one move mountains. This passion, not necessarily, has to be related to your career, it could be your emotional wellbeing or the willingness to go beyond leaps and bounds for your family. I have always had a passion for teaching and making a difference, no matter how small or how big, in each and every child I come across. Ambition, on the other hand, is a "WANT". An ambitious person would want something, like a goal in life; and passion is the driving force that will make me achieve that goal. Passion is that ladder which helps one climb up to be able to achieve one's ambition. I personally believe in being a passionate human being who'll eventually reach her ambition. Ambitions may change but passion will remain, it is this passion that helps me learn new skills every day, gives me the purpose to make a difference every morning. Passion can help inspire you to improve, and make you wish that you could spend even more time pursuing your goals. In the end, I say that they are two ends of a strand, one can't exist without another.

**-Ms. Sejal Vaja,
A Passionate Teacher**

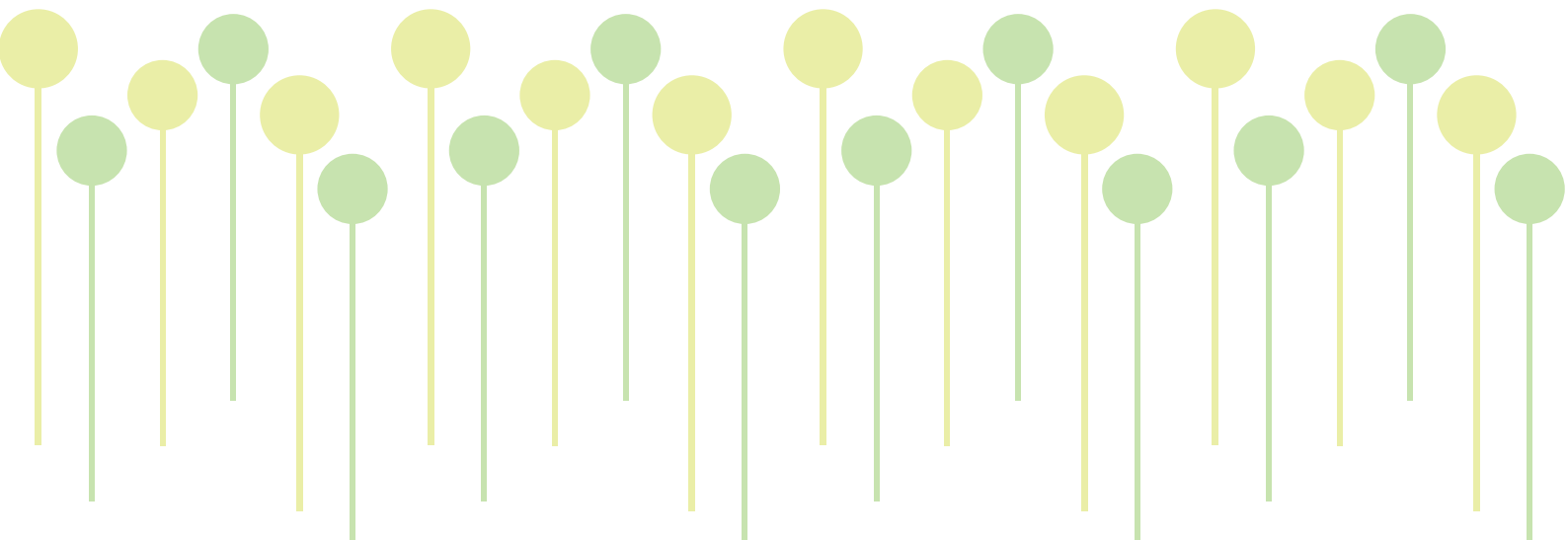


Students Speak



Passion and Ambition Almost everyone dreams of something while growing up. We all have ambitions when we are little, which change as we grow. Ambitions lead us to definite aims in life; furthermore, they help us focus on our goal no matter the cost. It drives us to do better in life. Now we have seen what ambition is, let's See what passion is. Passions are the fuel that propels us forward life, giving us purpose, joy and a sense of in our full fitment. To attain Success In our life passion and ambition are very important. It is the innate passion of the individual that motivates him/her and leads to undertaking any amount of challenges for accomplishing his/her dreams and ambitions. Passion without ambition will limit our achievement. If you follow your passion, Success will follow you. If you love what you do, that means you are passionate about your work. So as students we should be passionate about our work and should be ambitious in our life. Finally, I would like to say that, life without ambition and passion is a dreadful life. So let's try to find our passion and our ambitions and make our life successful.

- Harinandan,
Grade V 'H'



Parent Speak



Passion is like a turbo boost for our dreams, propelling us toward our highest aspirations. It is the inner flame that turns everyday things we love into exciting goals, taking us to adventures beyond the ordinary. Think of our ambitions as treasure maps, guiding us to incredible journeys and remarkable achievements. Whether it is drawing, doing cool science experiments, or making the world a better place, our passions are like magical wings for our ambitions. So, let us have fun discovering and nurturing our passions, making everything we do extra awesome and full of energy! That way, our ambitions become a roadmap to a purposeful and exciting life. As Oprah Winfrey wisely said, "Follow your passion. It will lead you to your purpose."

- Ms. Purnima Baruah,

Parent to Vivan Baruah - Grade V 'H'



Student Achievements:



SIP Arithmetic Genius - Grades I to V

Students from grades I to V of Amanora School recently showcased their mathematical prowess in the SIP Arithmetic Genius, All India Inter-school contest. This engaging competition not only offers a platform for young minds to establish a strong foundation in mathematics but also cultivates a friendly connection with numbers. The event drew participants from across the states, and we are delighted to announce that several students from Amanora School not only shone brightly but also secured a place in the 2nd round. Their outstanding performance has earned them a spot in the state-level competition. The school is immensely proud of these students and congratulates them on their remarkable achievement.

Fun Fact and Trivia

- The word "passion" comes from Latin, meaning "suffering" but evolved to represent intense emotions and drives.
- Ambition drives success, but balance is crucial to avoid burnout.
- Pursuing passions leads to greater life satisfaction.
- Leonardo da Vinci exemplified the power of passion and ambition.
- Passionate individuals show resilience and perseverance.
- Surrounding yourself with ambitious people can motivate you.
- Passion requires discipline and hard work.
- Your journey of passion and ambition is personal.
- They apply to various aspects of life, not just career.
- Balance passion and ambition with self-care for long-term fulfillment.

Upcoming Events

- Annual Sports Day

