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From the Director's Desk

Collaborate and Conquer

"Collaboration is the bridge where individual strengths unite to create extraordinary possibilities."

In today's interconnected world, collaboration has emerged as a cornerstone of success, shaping outcomes in personal, academic, and professional spheres. Collaboration transcends mere teamwork; it is the art of uniting diverse perspectives, skills, and ideas to achieve a common goal. It is through collaboration that innovation flourishes, challenges are overcome, and productivity soars.

Collaboration is not just a buzzword; it is a vital component of successful teamwork and organization. It is a dynamic process of active engagement, shared responsibility, and mutual respect. It requires open communication and a willingness to listen, compromise, and value each participant's contribution. In this synergy lies the power to create solutions and outcomes that no individual could achieve alone.

The benefits of collaboration are profound. By bringing together varied experiences and perspectives, collaboration fosters creativity and innovation, enabling the generation of unique ideas and groundbreaking solutions. It enhances problem-solving by leveraging collective intelligence and strengthens relationships through shared efforts, building trust and morale.

In our community, collaboration is a value we must cherish and nurture. Whether it is group projects, co-curricular activities, or partnerships with the broader community, working together teaches us the importance of empathy, cooperation, and collective success. The rise of digital technology has further amplified the scope of collaboration, enabling us to connect and contribute across geographical boundaries.

As we embrace collaboration, let us remember that our strength lies in unity. By fostering a culture of

cooperation, we empower ourselves to conquer challenges and seize opportunities together. Let us make collaboration a hallmark of our school ethos, ensuring that every individual feels valued and every effort contributes to a greater good.

- Ms. Meera Nair,
Director-Principal



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Quote of the month

"Individually, we are one drop.
Together, we are an ocean."

Ryunosuke Satoro

This quote emphasizes the power of unity and collaboration. While individual efforts are important, the collective strength of a group can achieve far greater things. It conveys that when people come together, their combined efforts create something far more impactful than what could be achieved alone.

Article from Head Mistress



It is impossible for one person to succeed on their own in the fast-paced, more complex world of today. In order to overcome obstacles, spur innovation, and realize our collective potential, collaboration has become essential. Together, we can do considerably more than we could on our own, as the term “Collaborate and Conquer” embodies.

People with diverse backgrounds, experiences, and specialties come together through collaboration, which results in a deeper comprehension of issues and more creative solutions. The collective knowledge base grows when team members share their expertise, which makes it possible for the group to more successfully handle challenging tasks.

Collaboration creates a creative atmosphere where concepts are exchanged, expanded upon, and improved upon, resulting in discoveries and breakthroughs. Because a variety of viewpoints and abilities are applied to the task, collaborative teams are better able to solve complicated challenges.

Collaborate and Conquer is an attitude that acknowledges the importance of teamwork in attaining success, not merely a catchphrase. We can unleash our combined potential, promote creativity, and conquer even the most difficult obstacles if we embrace teamwork.

Collaboration has real power. Together, we can overcome obstacles, accomplish the seemingly impossible, and build a better future for everybody.

**- Ms. Amrita Gangwal,
Head Mistress - Secondary**

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Assemblies (Grades I-IV)

World Computer Literacy Day

On the occasion of World Computer Literacy Day, grade V conducted an assembly that highlighted the importance of computer literacy in our modern world and encouraged responsible technology use. The program began with a serene prayer, followed by a skit titled Digital Wisdom featuring characters like Techie Rohan, Priya, and their wise teacher, which humorously conveyed the need for mindful tech usage. A speech explaining the significance of World Computer Literacy Day emphasized bridging the digital divide and empowering people with computer skills, while a lively song-computers are great friends, they help us everyday, celebrated the positive role of technology in our lives. The assembly concluded with an insightful thought on the importance of using technology responsibly, which inspires students to adopt a balanced and wise approach. The efforts of the students and teachers made the assembly an engaging and enlightening experience for all.

National Milk Day

Grade V students conducted an insightful and engaging assembly to mark National Milk Day. The assembly was conducted to spread awareness about the significance of farmers and dairy workers. National Milk Day celebrates the hardworking farmers and dairy producers who ensure milk is produced sustainably and delivered fresh to consumers. The innovation of bottled milk delivery was a key development in modern food distribution, making milk more accessible and convenient for families everywhere. A group of students presented skit demonstrating the daily struggles of farmers and dairy workers. Through interesting, knowledgeable, and relatable scenes, the skit effectively conveyed the message. Followed by an attractive and beautiful dance showcasing the joy and happiness of farmers, celebrating their hard work and contribution to society. Overall, the grade V National Milk Day assembly was a great success. It was well-organized, educational, and engaging. The students did a fantastic job of



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raising awareness about the importance of milk, its production and transportation, leaving the audience with a lasting message about sustainability and community responsibility.

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Festive Christmas Craft Activities – A Celebration of Creativity and Joy!

The Christmas spirit came alive as students from grades I to V participated in a series of engaging and creative activities, spreading joy, imagination, and festive cheer. Each activity was designed to enhance artistic expression, fine motor skills, and collaboration, making the celebration both fun and educational.

Snowman Making Activity (Grade I & II)

Our youngest learners took part in a fun-filled Snowman Making Activity, where they showcased their creativity through unique snowman designs. The classroom buzzed with laughter and excitement as students worked together, developing their artistic skills and sharing ideas. This hands-on activity not only encouraged teamwork but also captured the essence of the festive season.

Paper Plate Craft: Christmas Articles (Grade III)

Inspired by Albert Einstein's words, "Creativity is intelligence having fun," grade III students enthusiastically participated in a Paper Plate Craft Activity. Using paper plates, vibrant colors, and decorative materials, they crafted delightful Christmas-themed items like Santa masks, reindeer, Christmas trees, elves, and angels. This creative endeavor enhanced their fine motor skills, encouraged self-expression, and celebrated the festive spirit in a unique and personal way.



Assemblies at a Glance



Paper Roll Craft Activity (Grade IV)

Grade IV students explored their creativity through a Paper Roll Craft Activity, transforming simple paper rolls into Santa Claus, candy canes, Christmas trees, and reindeer. This engaging session encouraged innovation, teamwork, and environmental awareness, as students experimented with designs while learning about festive traditions. Their enthusiasm and sense of achievement were evident in their stunning handcrafted pieces.

Pointillism Snowman Making Activity (Grade V)

Grade V students embraced the Pointillism technique in a delightful Snowman Making Activity. Using earbuds, paints, and decorative materials, they carefully experimented with textures and patterns, creating intricate winter scenes. This activity introduced them to art history, patience, and attention to detail, while also fostering creativity and self-expression. Their magnificent artwork was a testament to their dedication and artistic potential.

Across all grades, these activities provided a platform for creativity, collaboration, and learning, ensuring that the joy and magic of Christmas were truly felt by all. The students' enthusiasm and artistic ingenuity turned this festive season into an unforgettable celebration of imagination and skill!



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Layers of Atmosphere - Yardstick Activity

"Learning is an adventure that never ends, and curiosity is the spark that ignites it."

The students of grade IV embarked on an exciting and immersive learning adventure with their recent yardstick activity, focused on creating a detailed model of the Earth's atmosphere. This activity aimed to provide a comprehensive understanding of the five distinct layers of

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the atmosphere: Troposphere, Stratosphere, Mesosphere, Thermosphere, and Exosphere, along with their unique characteristics and functions. Students explored the composition, temperature variations, and significance of each layer.

This hands-on approach allowed students to understand better the critical role each layer plays in sustaining life and supporting human activities. By physically placing objects like hot air balloons, birds, airplanes, the moon, and satellites on their respective layers they could visualize how different entities interact with the atmosphere. The activity concluded with a reflection session where students shared their insights, deepening their appreciation of how the atmosphere protects and sustains life while enabling technological progress.

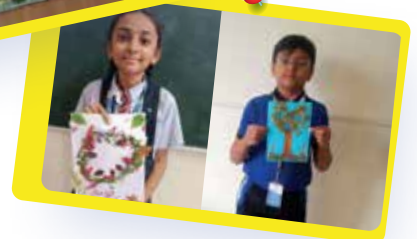


Greeting Card-Making Activity

"One Earth, one chance: let's make it count!"

As part of the curriculum chapter "Prakriti aur Manushya" (Nature and Humans) in the Hindi subject for grade IV, a creative activity was organized where students made greeting cards using flowers and leaves. This activity aimed to instill a love for nature and raise awareness about its conservation among students. They were encouraged to collect flowers and leaves from their surroundings, emphasizing the importance of not plucking live flowers unnecessarily.

This hands-on activity allowed them to express their thoughts about nature through art and meaningful messages. They connected with nature creatively while reflecting on its significance in human life. It was an artistic endeavor and a meaningful way to integrate environmental education into the curriculum.



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English Activity: Making a Paper Cup Telephone

The students of grade V participated in an exciting hands-on activity as part of the story, Telephone Bell to Cell, from their curriculum. The activity involved making a paper cup telephone and exploring how it works. Each student brought two paper cups and a piece of string.

Students made a small hole at the bottom of each cup and tied the string securely. The students then worked in pairs, holding the cups and stretching the string tightly. They spoke into one cup and listened through the other, marveling at how their voices traveled through the string.

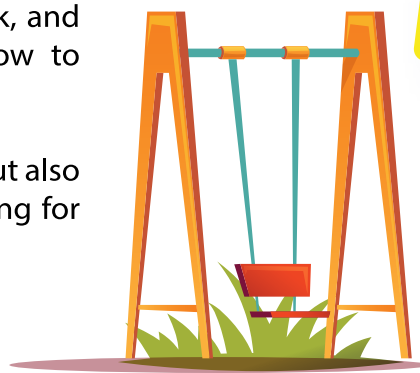
After completing the setup and conducting the experiment, the students were asked to write a paragraph describing how the paper cup telephone works. This activity not only made learning about sound transmission fun but also helped them understand the science behind early communication devices. The classroom buzzed with excitement as the students tested their telephones and shared their discoveries.

Food Club - Monaco Biscuit Bites

Students of grade III and IV recently took part in a fun and interactive cooking activity, preparing delicious Monaco biscuit bites. Using Monaco biscuits as the base, they topped them creatively with a mixture of chopped vegetables, cheese, and seasonings.

This simple, no-cook recipe allowed them to develop essential culinary skills such as topping, arranging, and garnishing. The activity fostered creativity, teamwork, and even problem-solving as they worked through how to perfect their presentations.

The final products were not only visually appealing but also tasty, making the experience enjoyable and rewarding for everyone involved.



Events



Annual Concert 2024-25 A Grand Success!

The Annual Concert 2024-25 – Odyssey: A Life-Changing Expedition was a magnificent celebration of talent, creativity, and learning. Over four remarkable days, our students showcased their dedication and passion through breathtaking performances, leaving the audience mesmerized.

- **Day 1 – Magical Voyage:** The event began with a burst of energy and imagination as students took us on a journey filled with creativity and wonder, setting the stage for an unforgettable experience.
- **Day 2 – Cruise with Folklores:** Students brought timeless legends and folktales to life, weaving narratives of bravery, wisdom, and perseverance through vibrant performances.
- **Day 3 – Quest for Knowledge:** A tribute to holistic learning, this day highlighted not just academic excellence but also emotional intelligence, critical thinking, and personal growth, shaping well-rounded individuals.
- **Day 4 – Sojourn in Incredible India:** The grand finale celebrated the rich heritage and cultural diversity of India, immersing the audience in the beauty of traditions, dance, music, and colors from across the nation.

The concert was a true testament to the hard work and dedication of our students, teachers, and parents. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who contributed to making Odyssey a spectacular success. This journey was not just about performances—it was about learning, growth, and unforgettable memories!





Teacher's Corner

Tell me and I forget, Teach me and I remember, Involve me and I learn.

Teaching is a gratifying job. It allows you to share information, see the potential in others, and constantly improve your professional talents.

Collaboration is an important tool in both the teaching field and learning process. It encourages teamwork, builds up knowledge and can encourage participants to think at a higher level by analysing and discussing information.

It also helps teachers identify educational practices that work well for students of all abilities. It can help teachers brainstorm creative ideas and build unique lesson plans.

However, like any other profession, you confront a variety of teachers' challenges that test your collaboration, management, and organisational abilities. Understanding these issues and knowing how to overcome teaching challenges can help you flourish as a productive member of the educator's team. Some of the primary purposes of collaboration are;

- Identifying educational practices that consistently helps students of all abilities across classroom and content areas.
- Teachers can collaborate to improve teaching practices, which can lead to better academic and holistic development for students.



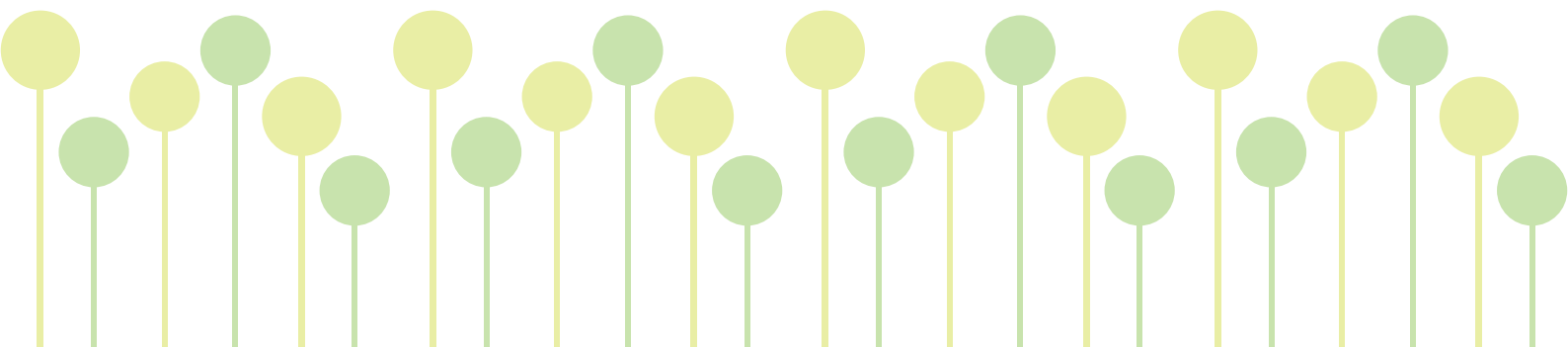
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- Collaboration allows teachers to play to their strengths and learn from one another. Even the best teacher can learn new things every day.
- Providing a safe environment in which teachers build healthy relationships and develop a common understanding and vocabulary for expectations and school culture.
- Ensuring that all voices are heard and respected in professional settings, meetings, and the classroom.

Finally, teachers facilitate collaborative learning by creating learning tasks that encourage diversity but aim at a high standard of performances for all students.

When we work together, we create a better learning experience. Together we can create a brighter and more inclusive future for students, where every child thrives and reaches their full potential and allows us as educators to explore new territory and conquer their teaching and learning abilities.

- Ms. Nidhi Menge,
Class Teacher - Grade IV



Students Speak



“Talent wins games, but teamwork and intelligence wins championships” said by one of the world's greatest basketball players Michael Jordan.

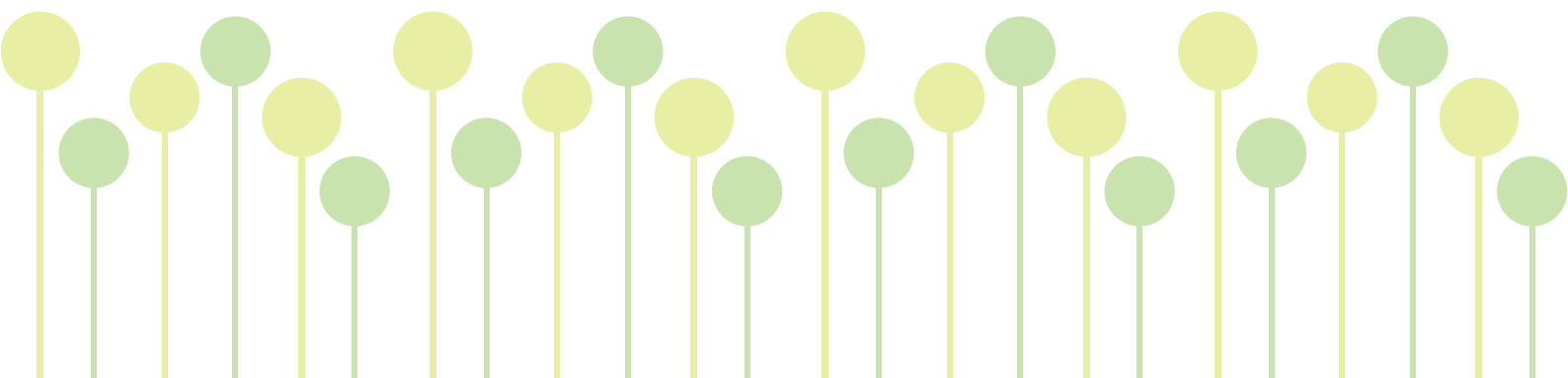
Collaborate and Conquer is working with others to get something done – is a desirable, productive action. The meeting of multiple minds means a better outcome than could be achieved alone.

Collaboration also promotes the sharing of responsibility, reducing the burden on any one person. When everyone contributes to the goal, the risk and rewards are shared fostering a sense of unity and mutual support. For example, in the 2024 T20 Cricket World Cup, each player of the Indian team collaborated as a team. They worked as a single unit and conquered the T20 World Cup for the second time.

In a collaborative environment diverse ideas and problem solving approaches emerge, often leading to innovative solutions that one person alone might not have conceived. Many countries across the globe are collaborating by creating sustainable development goals (SDG). The goal is to make a new and better world in the next thirty years.

In essence, Collaborate and conquer is not just about achieving a goal it is about creating a culture of teamwork that drives collective growth, fosters innovation and ultimately leads to more enduring success.

**- Punit Saratale,
Grade V 'D'**



Parent Speak



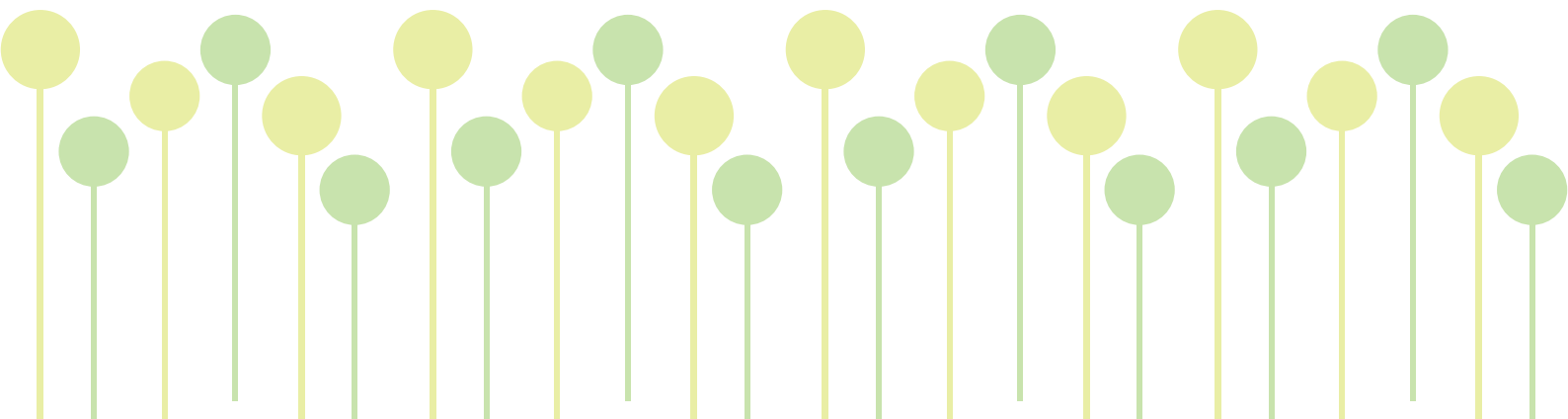
Collaborate and Conquer

'Collaborate and Conquer' is a strategy that emphasizes teamwork and partnership to achieve success. It works on the principle that working together can yield better results than competing alone. By pooling resources, skills and ideas, individuals or groups can overcome challenges more effectively and achieve common goals. This approach fosters innovation, enhances problem solving and creates a sense of unity. Tasks are divided according to strengths, saving time and resources. Also, it helps to tackle unforeseen challenges effectively. Different perspectives and expertise create innovative solutions.

Hence, success is shared creating a win - win dynamic. It aligns with the saying, "Two heads are better than one," promoting collective strength for mutual benefit. 'Conquer' in this context does not imply domination but rather achieving breakthroughs and progress that benefit everyone involved. It underlines the significance of unity, adaptability and shared responsibility in achieving extraordinary results that would be impossible alone.

- Ms. Alefiyah Bandoowala,

Parent of Zahra Bandoowala - Grade V 'D'



Fun Facts and Trivia



● **Ants Are Teamwork Masters**

Ants are one of the best examples of collaboration in nature. A single ant might not be able to carry much, but when working together, an entire colony can move large objects many times their size. They are nature's **teamwork champions!**

● **Dolphins Collaborate for Better Hunting**

Dolphins are known to work together to herd fish into tight groups, making hunting easier for everyone. Their **cooperative hunting** strategies are an example of teamwork in the animal kingdom.

● **The "Two-Pizza Rule" for Effective Teams**

Jeff Bezos, the founder of Amazon, once said that a team should be small enough that it can be fed with two pizzas. The **two-pizza rule** encourages teams to stay small and agile for better communication and collaboration.

● **Teamwork Boosts Brain Power**

Studies have shown that when people collaborate on problem-solving, their brains sync up, which can increase creativity and productivity. **Collaborating really does make us smarter!**

● **Bees Work Together Like a Super-organism**

A hive of bees is a perfect example of teamwork. Each bee has a specific role—whether it's collecting nectar, guarding the hive, or caring for the queen. Together, they function as a **super-organism**, working seamlessly to ensure the survival of the colony.

Upcoming Events

- Ryan Championship
- Republic Day

