

## RECTOR'S MESSAGE



My dear students, parents and teachers,

We have come to the end of a very unusual academic year. As this academic year 2020-2021 ends, I hope, probably like many of you, that the new academic year 2021-2022 brings an end to the pandemic and a return to normalcy.

Hard work, dedication, teamwork and resilience are the key ingredients used to climb the ladder of success. I am happy that we have sailed through these rough times successfully. There are many things that I am thankful for.

I am grateful to the management and staff for how well we have done as a school community even in these troubled times. We have all adjusted to new regulations, procedures and protocols without skipping a beat.

I am grateful to the parents who have been very cooperative and supportive towards the new changes. We are dedicated to helping students stay on track with their virtual classes and you have supported us in accomplishing our mission.

The world today is passing through an exceptionally difficult time due to the outbreak of the coronavirus pandemic. No matter how difficult the situation may be, we should employ determination and courage to overcome the problems that confront us. We are all faced with threats to our health and well-being and it is natural to feel anxiety and fear. Nevertheless, if there is something that can be done about it - do it without any need to worry; and if there's nothing that can be done about it, worrying about it further will not help.

During these troubled times we all need to cultivate inner values such as warm heartedness and compassion towards each other. We need to put into practice in our day-to-day life, the virtues of generosity and empathy. We must not allow the pandemic to pin us down. We must remain positive and keep our hopes alive as I believe that "Nothing is predestined. The obstacles of our past can become the gateways that lead to new beginnings."

I pray for an early end to this pandemic so that your peace, happiness and wellbeing may soon be restored.

May God bless each one of you and your families here at Naigaon.

Rector

Fr. Dominic Martis, sdb

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



My dear students, parents and teachers,

This school ending has indeed been quite different! The pandemic has forced us to make many changes — We have had online classes, assessments and other virtual events. As this academic year comes to an end, we need to remember all the wonderful things that has happened amidst the pandemic. It has definitely been a year filled with new learning experiences and many

accomplishments in academics. Most of all we have all learnt to be responsible, empathetic and safe.

I take this opportunity to thank all parents and guardians, who made your homes your school and made time to teach and support your children.

As we move forward, I pray that each one of you may continue to demonstrate diligence, motivation and determination, to work to the best of your ability and become successful 21st century learners.

Always remember to study hard, read every day and dedicate yourself to making next year even better. You are investing yourself with every assessment you take and every book you read.

Always make good choices, think before you speak and respect yourself and others. Treat everyone the way you want to be treated.

Have a happy, safe and healthy summer vacation. Please remember to stay safe and well.

**Principal** 

Fr. Anthony Fonseca, sdb

## **EDITOR'S MESSAGE**

## Dear Readers,

Greetings from Don Bosco family, Naigaon.

We live today in a world so different from the one we grew up in. Systems are changing, rules are changing and we can see so much of changes happening at an accelerated rate. We all need to pause and reflect on this entire system of changes everywhere. We need to prepare our children to face the challenges that the future holds.

Aristotle once said, "Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all." Even as we impart education to the match the advancement in technology and to complete the syllabus, we march our students ahead with Don Bosco's ethos of moral values and principles. We endeavour constantly to instil these qualities in our children. We pride ourselves to help them grow and develop into sensitive and responsible citizens of the future.

The Editorial team takes this opportunity to thank our Principal, Rev. Fr. Anthony Fonseca for entrusting us with the responsibility of presenting this issue of our magazine. We thank our very supportive management, dedicated and committed teachers, caring and cooperative parents and all who blend harmoniously to create a child-centric school here at Naigaon.

We wish each and every one to stay safe and happy.

Happy Reading to one and all !!!!

The Editorial Team

## **Video Editing Software - Training Programme**

The arrival of COVID-19 has made it clear that changes must be made in teacher training in the future. Teachers must have up-to-date knowledge about teaching methodologies and the use of technologies to transition from face-to-face teaching to online classes. The more we develop and grow as teachers, the more we help our students to grow as learners.

To enhance the creativity, knowledge and experience of teachers, our Principal Rev. Fr. Anthony Fonseca organised a Software Training Programme for the entire teaching faculty of Don Bosco High School and Junior College-Naigaon.

Tr. Preeti and Tr. Leena from the College Section conducted a five-day rigorous training programme for all the teachers. Video Editing Software is an interactive software that has the ability to help teachers create customized videos and give a personal touch to the online teaching experience.

The workshop focused on training teachers to create and disseminate videos, see the importance of incorporating videos into lesson plans, and improve the quality of education by sharing the best practices among teachers and students through videos.

All the teachers during the training programme were engaged in a number of activities which included-

- Exporting images and videos and music files on the software.
- Create transitions and video effect between the clips.
- Add graphics, titles and animations to the video.
- Trimming and arranging clips.
- Recording with green screen effect.

Initially, it was not a simple task, as it was the first-time teachers were using this software. By the end of the workshop, all the teachers were able to successfully create their personalized videos.









### LOVE! so unconditional ...

Parents usher us into this world and are so, very devoted.
They clean, cook and sacrifice for us, yet, they are often misinterpreted.
They bless and pray for us, morning, noon and night.
And are always ready,
To be a part of our fight.

When we are tiny tots, squealing and shrieking,

They placate us and lessen the yelling. When it is time to enter school, a prospect ever so frightening, They hold our hands, never to let go, and alleviate our suffering. School with all its intricacies, slowly goes by,

And they watch us blossom, with a sigh.

As we grow older, our parents do so too,
They still battle for us
We are their 'Pet Projects''
through and through.
As for us, we don't remember,
How much they have given of themselves,
We just don't remember,
That they raised us as images of
themselves.

Parents are always willing to lend a hand, but we get embarrassed, when they interact with our friends.

They have driven us to unbelievable heights, Each time getting weaker in the fight.

Then, only too soon, we are off on our own, getting jobs and our own homes.

Then, it registers, how diligently our parents worked

to see us smile, while we simply smirked.

We begin to understand why we behave in a certain way,

it has all to do with our parent's sway. Remorse washes over us like a tsunami, And we'll find it's just not funny.

So treasure the moments with your parents. Go slow on the accusations and arguments. Thank them often for what they do, Remember! You are what you are because they raised you.

It is never too late to begin anew, It is never too late to say 'I love you'. Time waits for neither me nor you, Don't procrastinate till they leave you.

- Tr Gail D Fernandes

#### **DREAMS**

Hold fast to dreams For if dreams die Life is a broken-winged bird That cannot fly

Hold fast to dreams
For when dreams go
Life is a barren field
Frozen with snow
Aprajeeta Pandey – IX B



#### **EDUCATION**

For some, it's a privilege for others it's a right.

The difference between darkness and future that is bright.

Some will see a burden, where others see a gift. The key to moving forward and to give your life a lift.

If the School is not your calling look beyond its doors.
The World can be a teacher many adventures are instore.

As long as you are growing your education grows.
That will lead to contribution as you share the things you know.

Brajvansh Jeevesh -VI A

### **HAPPINESS**

Everybody, everywhere Seeks happiness, it's true. But finding it and Keeping it Seems difficult to do.

Difficult because we think That happiness is found Only in the places where Wealth and fame abound...

And so, we go on searching In places of pleasure, Seeking recognition And monetary treasure,

Unaware that happiness Is just a state of mind Within the reach of everyone Who takes time to be kind?

For in making others happy We will be happy too. For the happiness you give away Returns to shine on you.

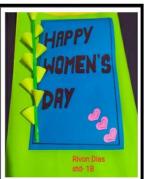
Dwayne Dsouza -VI C











### **DIGNITY OR VANITY?**

On our streets, at railway stations and in bazaars it is not uncommon to see smartly dressed men and women walking proudly followed by an old man in rags carrying their luggage and other things. Many of us would rather overload an already heavily loaded porter than carry a luggage ourselves. We have inherited a very false sense of dignity, which is not dignity at all but vanity, that is, empty pride.

There are things we can do ourselves, and we have the time and physical strength too, for doing them. Take, for example, polishing shoes. Why can't we polish our shoes with our own hands when we waste quite a lot of time in gossip and useless things?

Consider an old lady returning from the market with several full bags on her. Wouldn't you like to help her by carrying her load? You would, but many would not even think of it. Because we suffer from a false sense of dignity.

Who does not know the name of Leo Tolstoy? That great writer and noble man was rich enough to hire a whole troop of servants or attendants of all kinds. He did have many but at the same time, he loved to plough his fields and never felt ashamed on occasions when friends and visitors caught him doing so.

Mahatma Gandhi laid great stress on the dignity of labour. You perhaps know, he would clean his own bathroom as we well as that of a guest without feeling anything degrading about it.

It will certainly be good for all of us if we drop that covering of vanity which we call dignity. Vanity many suffer, but dignity is enhanced by physical labour and hard work.

Tr. Veera Rodrigues

#### LIFE

Life's lessons are a beautiful gift,

they don't always come wrapped in a shiny red bow.

Sometimes tragedy brings us wisdom,

Sometimes joy and sorrows do.

Other times we stumble upon life-changing lessons when we least expect to.

No matter how they come to us,

Life's lessons are invaluable and worth cherishing.

Use them as a guide.

It is the spiritual experience of living every minute with love, grace and gratitude.

So live your life to its fullest!

Janelle Fernandes - X C

## **Online Christmas Celebration**























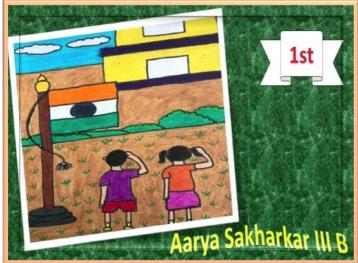




## REPUBLIC DAY

















## **Hindi Activity**



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Hindi Activity







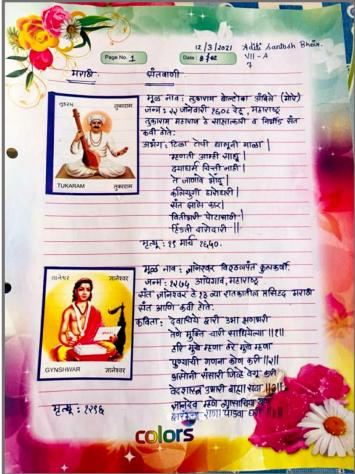


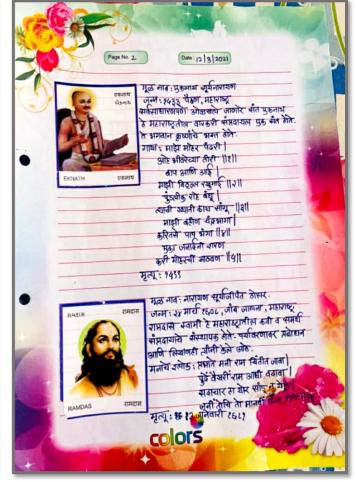


## Marathi Activity

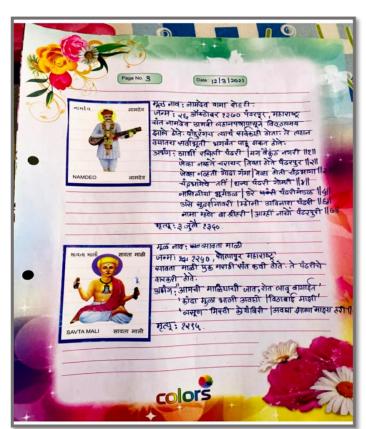


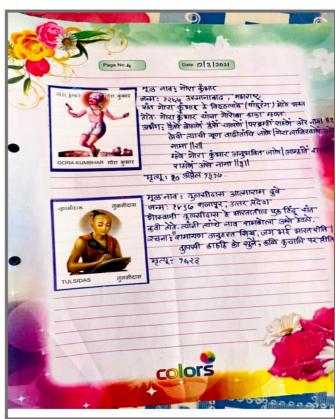


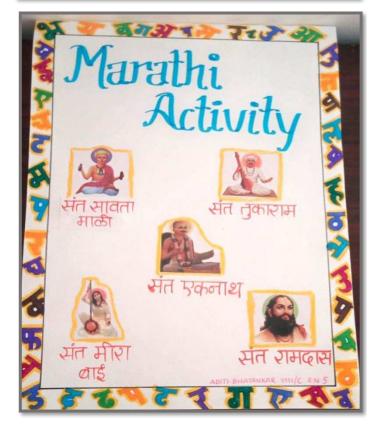
















## ARTGALLERY



















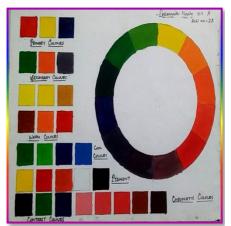
























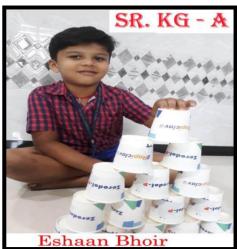






















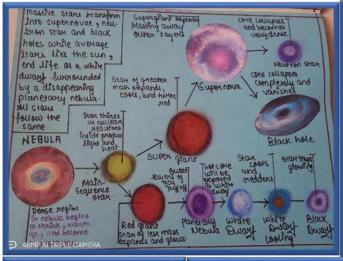




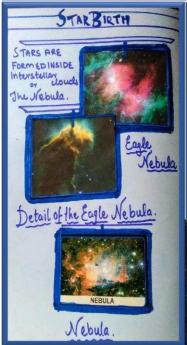




# Science Projects



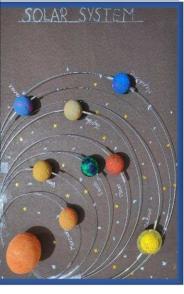


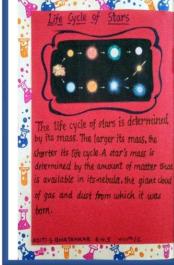


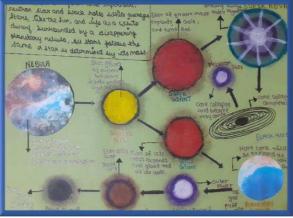












## **GRAMMAR HUMOUR**

The past, the present, and the future walked into a bar. It was tense.

## "FACETIOUS"

is the only word in the english language that uses all of the vowels, in order.

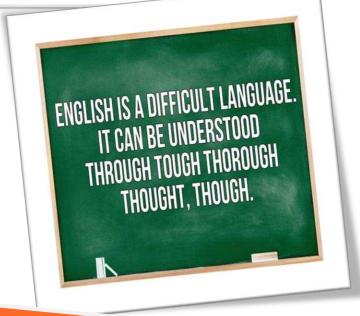
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LET'S EAT GRANDMA. LET'S EAT, GRANDMA.

COMMAS SAVE LIVES

Q: WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A CAT AND A COMMA?

A: ONE HAS CLAWS AT THE END OF ITS PAWS, AND THE OTHER IS A PAUSE AT THE END OF A GLAUSE.



## INCREDIBLE INDIA - INTERESTING FACTS

## Thefirst rocket in India was transported on a cycle –

The first rocket was so light and small that it was transported on a bicycle to the Thumba LaunchingStation in Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala.

## The popular game "Snakes and Ladders" originated in India –

It was first created to teach morals and lessons about karma in a way that young children would understand and remember.

## India has a village with no locks and doors -

The village of Shani Shingnapur is famous for not having a door or lock on a single house. Even the nationalised UCO Bank's branch in the village does not have locks on its doors.

### The Kumbh Mela is visible from space –

The number of people attending the festival is so large that the crowd is visible in satellite photos taken from space.

#### India has the tallest statue in the world –

Measuring 600ft (182m) in height, the Statue of Unity is currently the tallest statue in the world. The statue, which is a tribute to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, is located in the western state of Gujarat.

### Bandra Worli Sealink has steel wires equal to the earth's circumference -

It took a total of 2,57,00,000 man hours for completion and also weighs as much as 50,000 African elephants. A true engineering and architectural marvel.

## India was the first country to mine diamonds -

From the 4th century BC for around 1,000 years, India was the only source of diamonds in the world. The original diamonds were found in the Krishna River Delta.

### The first country to consume sugar -

India was the first country to develop extraction and purifying techniques of sugar. Many visitors from abroad learnt the refining and cultivation of sugar from us.



## **WORLD OF FACTS**



- 1. A species of jelly fish (Turriptosis Dohrni) is called 'biologically immortal'. It does not die. These transparent, small creatures are found in oceans around the world and turn back time by changing into an earlier stage of their life cycle.
- 2. One of the smartest birds in the world, the crow, can recognise faces and use tools like humans. They understand complex subjects. Wild hood crows use bread crumbs to fish.
- 3. An adult human has 206 bones. But, a baby! 300 bones. They have more flexible cartilage in their bodies and as they grow this cartilage hardens and fuses into bones.
- 4. The loudest, natural sound on earth is that of an erupting volcano. Kilauea (in Hawaii) volcano's most recent eruption was on 20<sup>th</sup> December 2020.
- 5. Electrons in your fingertips repel the like-charged electrons on the phone screen causing an electric circuit at that point to open and perform the action coded in your phone's software. Therefore, your fingernail or a pencil do not work.
- 6. Nilgai, the largest Asian antelope, also called the 'blue buck', has a life span of 21 years. Mainly silent, they are known to roar. When chased, they can run up to 48 kph.
- 7. Mercury is the fastest planet in our solar system. It speeds around the sun at approx. 1,72,000 kph about 65,000 kph faster than earth. A year on Mercury is equal to 88 Earth days.
- 8. The nocturnal birds, Owls, can turn their heads about 300° (almost full circle) but they cannot move their eyes. A group of owls is called a parliament.



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## HANDWRITING COMPETITION WINNERS

(Handwriting competition was conducted online by Kokuya Camlin Ltd. in month of December 2020)

- ❖ Bhavya Sanjay Agarwal I B
- ❖ Vinish Naveen Poojary II C
- Shlok Sandip Mejari III A
- Surabhi Surajkumar Sinha IV C



## MAKE YOUR FAVOURITE CARTOON COMPETITION WINNERS

(Make your favourite Cartoon competition was conducted online by Kokuya Camlin Ltd. in month of January - 2021)

- Bhavya Sanjay Agarwal I B
- ❖ Savya Sanjay Agarwal II B
- ❖ Deandra Joseph Noronha III B
- ❖ Bhavya Arun Tulsian IV A





- ❖ Janhavi Bharat Patil V C
- ❖ Neel Amit Patil VI A
- ❖ Dorris Umesh Kanyal VII B
- ❖ Dhairya Kishor Patil VIII B
- ❖ Bhargav Sanjay Mhatre IX C











## MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS







JAL TARANG BY ASHER CORREIA I-C

JAL TARANG BY ALVIN MANSOORI I-C

TAMBOURINE BY AJIT SINGHADIYAL I-A







THE TABLA BY PRANISH BHOIR I-A

MARACAS BY CLIFF FERNANDES I-A

CASTANETS BY SHALOME PAUL I-B



