

NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2020

World Elderly Day Celebration

Our Suncitizens worked towards bringing a smile on the faces of elderly people on the occasion of 'World Elderly Day' which is celebrated on October 1 every year. This day focuses on the wellbeing and special needs of older people and how their lives can be improved. Senior citizens globally have been the worst-hit by the COVID-19 pandemic as experts have said. They are the most vulnerable with age-related problems.

On this occasion, our students of Grades III to VI showcased their sanskars, thoughts and sentiments through videos which were especially made for the elderly people. These videos were shared with NGOs such as Earth Saviours and HelpAge India.



Respected Madam,

Greetings from Help Age India!

It's our privilege to be associated with your school. This precious association has undoubtedly given us the opportunity to take a step further each year for the cause of disadvantaged older persons.

HelpAge places on record its heartfelt appreciation for the efforts put in by your director, staff and the students of school for making the video for Elderly on International Day For Older Person.

Thanks and Regards

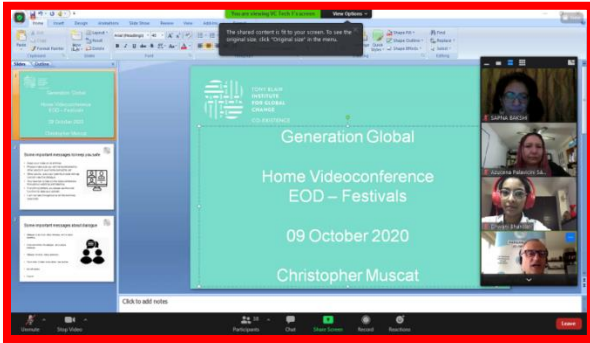
Narender Singh

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Our students' efforts were highly appreciated by the management of NGOs. The values being inculcated in the school environment and at home will surely help them to learn to honour and appreciate older people in everyday life.

REPORT ON VIDEO CONFERENCE ON FESTIVALS WITH PREPATEC CAMPUS CIUDAD DE MÉXICO (MEXICO)

Our Video Conference with **PrepaTec Campus Ciudad de México (Mexico)** was one of the most enriching experiences this academic session and a truly global experience wherein we had the Facilitator from Italy, Mr. Christopher Muscat, schools from Mexico and India and Generation Global –the Educational wing of the Tony Blair Faith Foundation, UK. The Conference was held on 9 October 2020 on the module-Festivals.



All the students connected on Zoom and a constructive dialogue ensued with students proactively participating in a wide spectrum of discussion on the theme of Festivals. The following students participated in the conference:

Sidhartha Ganguly, Shrey Satapathy, Mihika Batra, Naina Bagchi, Harsh Bayad, Aadi Thiagarajan, Navya Mehrotra, Dhvani Bhandari, Harshita Dogra and Noyonika Chatterjee from Grades IX and VIII.

DISCUSSION PROGRESSION:

All of us belong to communities that mark special days or periods in our calendars. Some of these events are joyous, while others serve a particular purpose or are a time of more solemn remembrance. Some of these festivals or holidays may be global, or national, they may have their origins in a religious or ancient tradition. But there will be variations in how these occasions are marked and these days will mean different things to different people. The aim of this dialogue was for students to explore the place of festivals and holidays in their lives and how these impact on them and their values and beliefs.

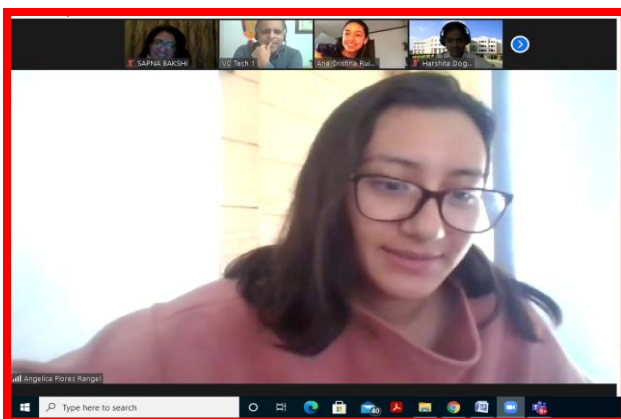
Sharing: Students shared with one another, the festivals or holidays that they thought were most important for them and for their communities.

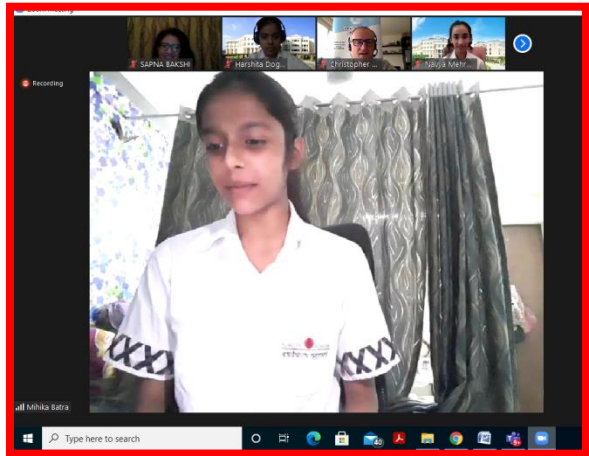
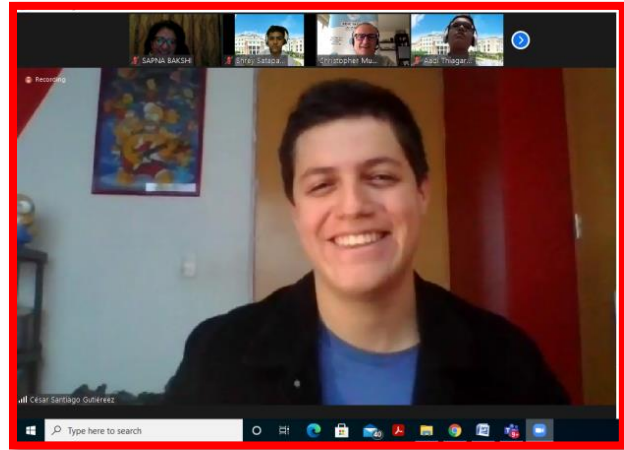
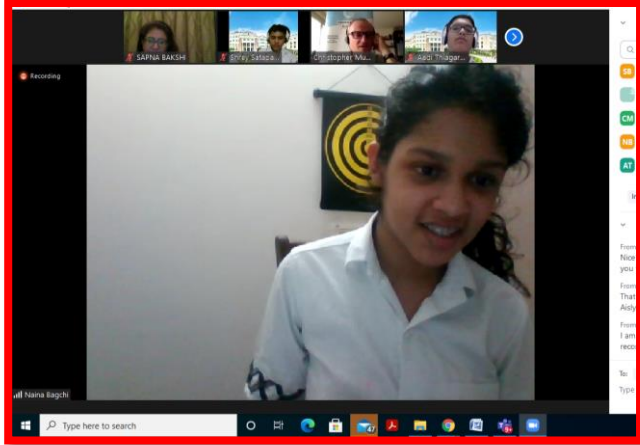
Enquiring: Students asked questions of one another, focused on learning more about one another's festivals and special days.

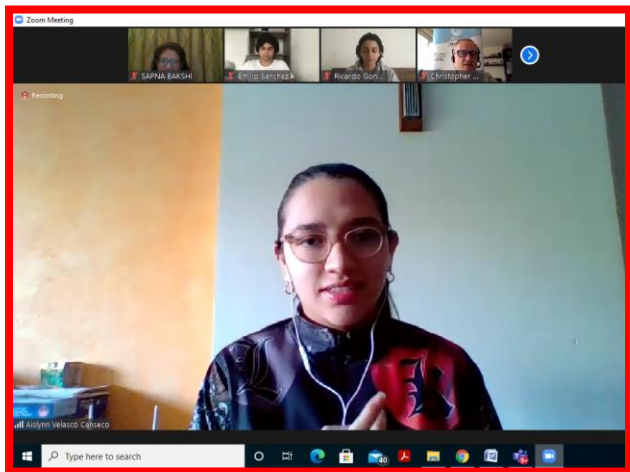
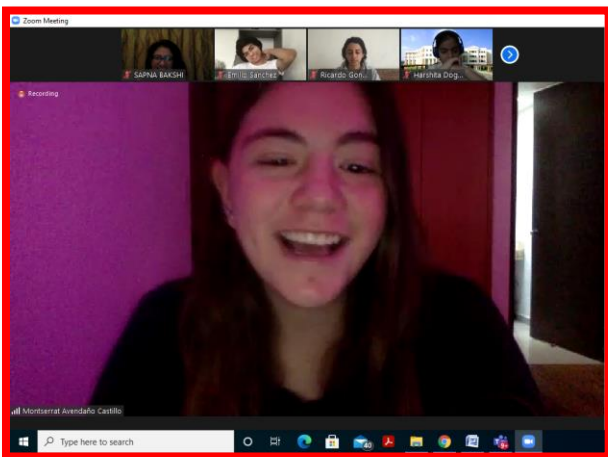
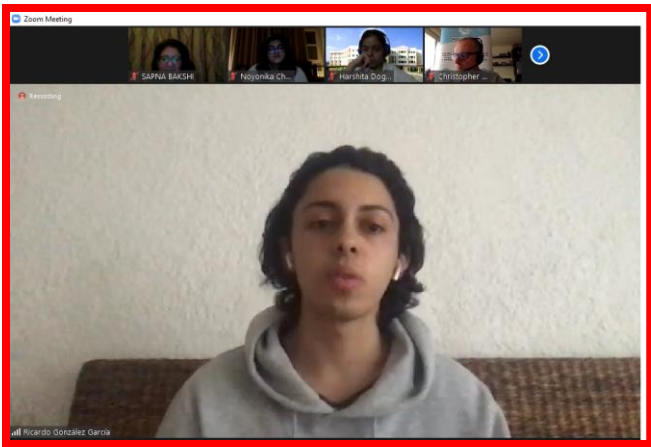
This was to support students in developing threads so that they can use their dialogue skills to delve deeper into the main themes that emerge at this stage of the dialogue.

Challenge: Students thought of some lines of enquiry around the more challenging features and aspects of festivals: are any of these festivals or special days changing their meaning due to the forces of globalisation? Are there any people in your community who feel excluded from these occasions? They posed their own challenging questions!

Reflection: A couple of students from each class were called upon to summarize key learning points and to comment on the dialogue skills of their own class and of students in their partner class. It was also encouraged that students comment on they FEEL about the dialogue experience.







LIVE SESSION TRAINING ON MICROSOFT TEAMS FOR STUDENTS OF GRADE VIII AND IX

An ICT training session was conducted on 15 October by the ICT Department on Software Application: Microsoft Teams. The attendees were students from Grade VIII and IX -Parth Dubey IX, Divyansh Prashar IX, Siddhart Ganguly IX, Aryan Jain IX, Vinayak Gupta IX, Navya Mehlotra IX, Sarah Gupta IX, Shreya Goyal IX, Ayushi Kaushal IX, Suvan Handa VIII, Anvi Tuteja VIII and Vaanya Khanna VIII

The objective was to train the students on Live Streaming and conduct live events using Teams App. It was a good learning experience for the students.

INTER-SCHOOL ECONOMICS VIRTUAL PPT COMPETITION

An Inter-School Economics Virtual PPT Competition 2020 was held on the aegis of GPSC from 15 -16 October 2020 for the students of Grades XI-XII. Paridhi Gupta and Mritunjaya Thakur participated in this event. They were awarded the first position.

MODEL UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE

Students of our school participated in Blue Bells Model United Nations conference on the 17-18 October 2020. The virtual conference saw participation primarily from Grade IX students. The young ones did the school proud by winning the Award for being the Outstanding Delegation of the conference.

Awards were won in the following categories by these students:

High Commendation- Anushka Vora

High Commendation- Astha Vora

Special Mention- Ambar Gogia

Special Mention- ShubhanGabra

High Commendation for position paper- Astha Vora

Special Mention for Position Paper- Veer Jain

REPORT OF
MATHEMATICS AND VISUAL ARTS WEEK
12-16 OCTOBER 2020

A mathematician, like a painter or poet, is a maker of patterns. If his patterns are more permanent than theirs, it is because they are made with ideas.

— G. H. Hardy,
A Mathematician's Apology

The aim of the Virtual Mathematics and Visual Arts week was to celebrate the integration of Visual Arts and Maths through a range of activities.

Find below a day wise report of the week.



DATE & Time of event

GRADE VII to XI

12th October, 2020
(Monday)
Opening Assembly of
'Armetica' the
Mathematics and Visual
Arts Week

The highlights of this assembly were:



Evolution of design of Armetica

Children's work on Cubism, Symbolism, Optical illusion, Paper relief work, Tessellation videos on various topics like Pointillism, Paper Radial Relief, Optical Illusion,



Tessellation, Cubism etc and educated our audience and other students about the various art forms and the famous artist who used geometry or maths in their art. Beautiful artworks were created by our Suncitizens keeping art and maths together in their work.

A talk by our Ex Suncitizen and Geust speaker of the day Japleen Kaur made everyone emotional.



Activities done across classes with cubic illusion, radial relief, calligraphy, illusions with human figures



12.10.2020 – 16.10.2020



14th October, 2020 (Wednesday)

Special Quiz Assembly Maths integrated with Visual art .

The highlights of this assembly were:

- Presentation on Relation between Art and Maths
- Quiz
- Math show
- Maths Play



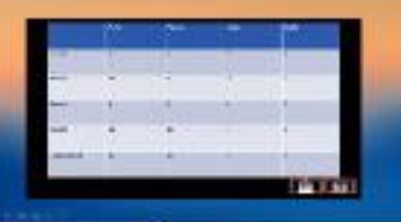
THE PRAYER & THOUGHT



Presentation to show the interrelation between art and maths .



Artematica Quiz



Presentation on MOBIUS STRIP.



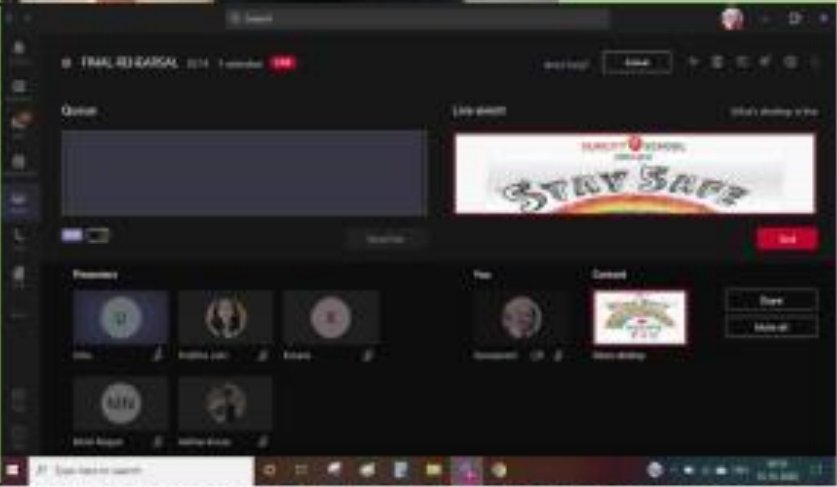
A show 'THE HUMBLE PI' which showed few near misses and mishaps with planes, bridges etc as a way of showing how important Maths is. So, we must learn to use it to our advantage.



Play , a spoof on challenges of online teaching - learning in a Maths class where everyone was still learning the ropes!



Amazing to see how we have our assemblies adapted to the new normal!!



15th October, 2020
(Thursday)

Special Activity Day

Class 7
3 D solids on
isometric paper

Some interesting sketches of 3D solid were shared with them that they could draw and colour them.
The students drew Isometric sketches of given 3D solid.



Class 8
Cutting
cubes and cuboids
using nets

Using thick colourful A4 size sheets, the students cut cubes and cuboids using nets and verified the Euler's formula $F+V=E+2$, where F = number of faces, V= number of vertices and E = number of edges



Class 9
Quadrilaterals using
drag and drop , and
its properties

The students made a cuboidal box using waste and found the volume and surface area of the same.

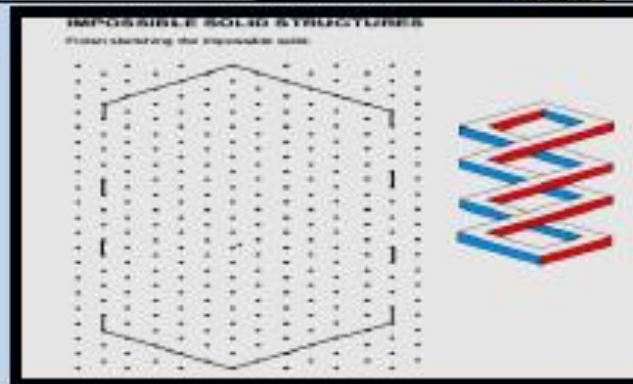


Class 10 *Curve*
stitching

The students used a thick needle and coloured thread and stitched designs on thin cards



Class 11 *Impossible*
solid structure on
isometric structure



The students sketched Impossible solid structures(optical illusions) by joining the dots on isometric sheets.

16th October, 2020 (Friday) Vaedictory Assembly:

The highlights of the closing assembly were

- Report of the Maths and Art integrated activities done by all classes from 7 to 11.
- Address by the guest speaker
- Maths Dance



Invoked the blessings of Goddess Durga Mathematically.



Students of grade VII made models of their dream bedroom using and marking acute, right and obtuse angles.



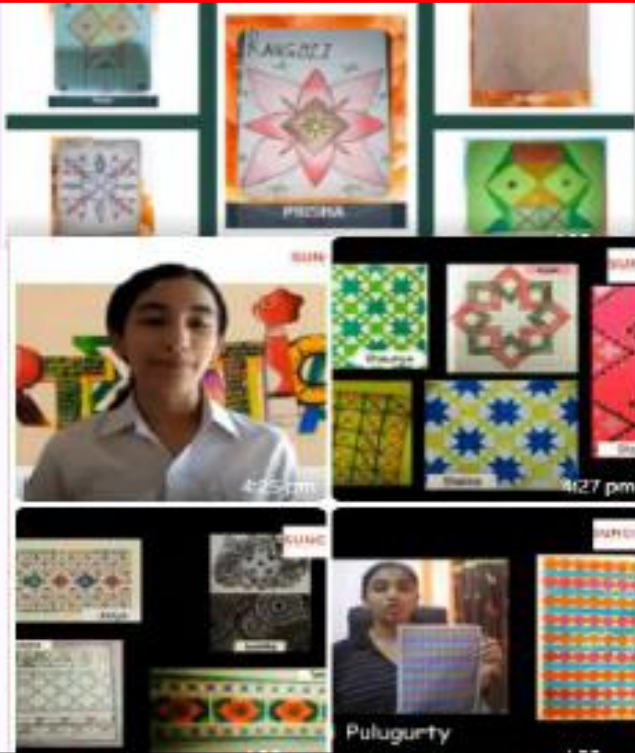
Students of grade VIII designed some unique and attractive kites using concepts of art and mathematics such as mandala patterns and worli art.



Grade IX had made designs for weaving pochampalli sarees using the mathematical concepts like symmetry, tiling and tessellations.



Kolam designs made by students of class X are symmetric around both X & Y axis,



Grade X also made fractals ,in particular Sierpinski triangles



Grade XI discovered the four colour theorem.



Mrs Rashmi Kathuria our esteemed guest speaker.

Guest speaker

Mrs. RASHMI KATHURIA

RECIPIENT OF TWO
PRESIDENTIAL AWARDS
NATIONAL BEST & TESOLER
AWARD 2007 FROM THE TRIN
HONORABLE PRESIDENT DR. AFI
ABDUL KALAM AND NATIONAL ICT
AWARD FOR TEACHERS 2014 BY
THE HONORABLE PRESIDENT DR.
PRANAB MUKHERJEE FOR BEST
ICT IN TEACHING



A dance depicting functions and graphs by grade VII.



National anthem instrumental.



It was a great learning for all the students as well as for all the facilitators of Maths and Art Department as we all explored the new medium of technology. Everyone worked tirelessly for one common goal and delivered their best. A virtual platform taught us many more things which we would have never learnt otherwise. We feel really proud that we explored the virtual platform and successfully executed the

'MATHEMATICS AND VISUAL ARTS WEEK '

VIDEO CONFERENCE WITH PREPA TEC CAMPUS CIUDAD DE MEXICO ON POWER OF NARRATIVE

Ten students from Grades VIII-IX participated in an engaging video conference with PrepaTec Campus Ciudad de México (Mexico), as a part of the Generation Global Initiative under the Tony Blair Faith Foundation, on 19 October 2020 on the module-Power of narrative.

VC CONTENT:

Narratives move and influence us: shaping our sense of self and our communities, whether these are urban legends, folklore, religious stories, political discourse or what we see and hear online. Stories are used to influence how we think and how we feel. In this dialogue, students had the opportunity to share the stories that shaped their lives and values, where they had seen narratives being used to influence for good and ill and how they themselves used storytelling as a tool.

Sharing: Students shared with one another a story or narrative that has impacted on them personally.

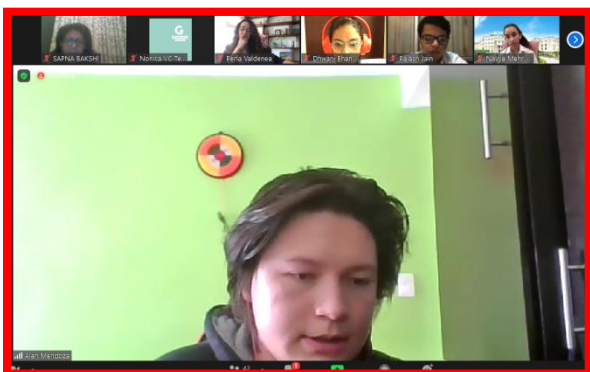
Enquiring: Students asked questions of one another focused on what they had heard in the sharing session as well as to explore the power of narratives in their communities.

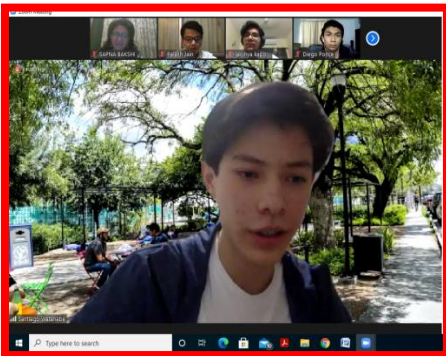
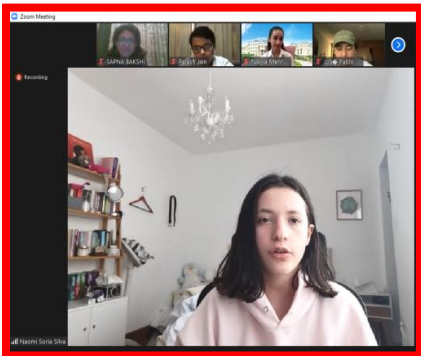
Challenge: The students enquired around the more challenging aspects of the rights of the power of narratives: Does it matter if a narrative is real? How should we respond to the global phenomena of 'fake news'?

Reflection: A couple of students from each school were called upon to summarise key learning points and to comment on the dialogue skills of their own class and of students in their partner class.

The following students participated in the conference:

Mihika Batra, Hriday Kabir, Palaash Jain, Navya Mehrotra, Syna Aggarwal, Saanvi Mahlotra, Dhvani Bhandari, Aarya Saraf, Ronniel Biala and Lakshya Kapoor.







VIDEO CONFERENCE WITH FARRAGUT CAREER ACADEMY, CHICAGO, USA ON THE MODULE-WEALTH, POVERTY, INEQUALITY AND CHARITY

A Video Conference was held with Farragut Academy students (Chicago, USA) on 23 October 2020 as a part of the Generation Global Initiative-the educational wing of the Tony Blair Faith Foundation.

DISCUSSION PROGRESSION:

We can be wealthy or poor in many different ways: materially, emotionally, socially, spiritually. In this conference, students entered into dialogue about the ways in which they experienced wealth, poverty, inequality and charity and about some of the questions that these experiences raised for them and their communities.

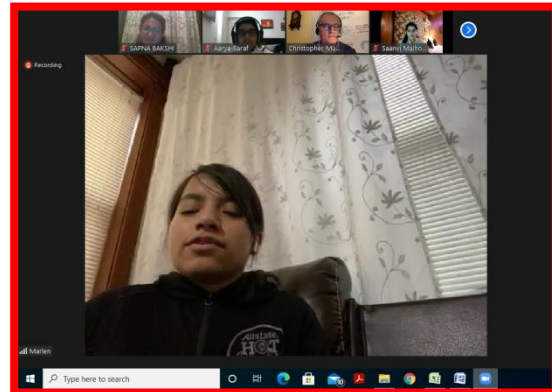
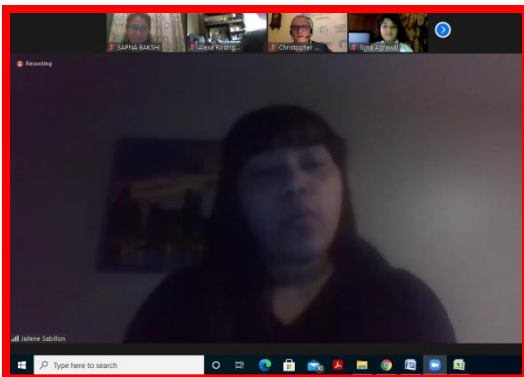
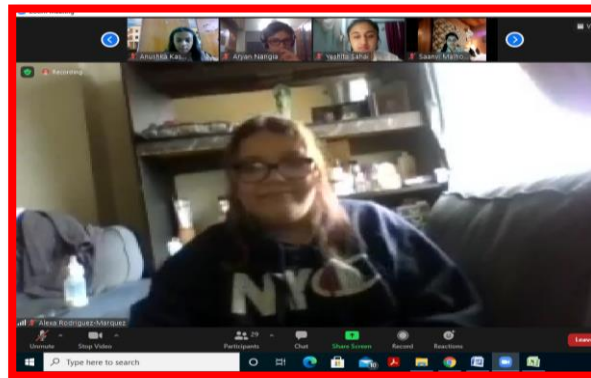
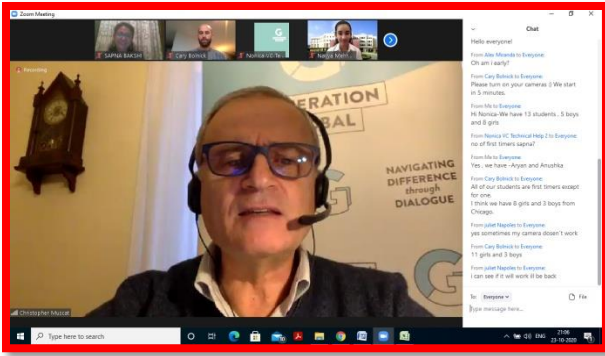
Sharing: Students shared when and how they felt most wealthy and most poor.

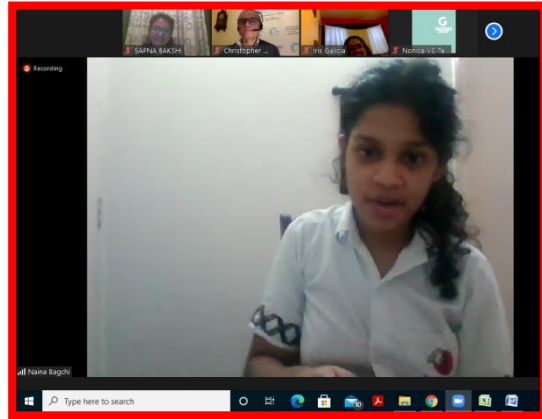
Enquiring: Students asked questions of one another focused on what they had heard in the sharing session as well as asked questions to deepen their relative experiences of wealth, poverty and charity.

Challenge: Students further discussed on some lines of enquiry around the more challenging aspects of this topic such as, are there tensions between material and spiritual wealth or can both be held together? Are all acts of charity motivated by noble intentions?

Reflection: A couple of students from each class were called upon to summarise key learning points and to comment on the dialogue skills of their own class and of students in their partner class. The following students from Grades VIII-IX participated:

Aarya Saraf, Ronniel Biala, Hriday Kabir, Harshita Dogra, Naina Bagchi, Aryan Nangia, Anushka Kashyap, Syna Agarwal, Saanvi Malhotra, Palaash Jain, Noyonika Chatterjee, Navya Mehrotra and Yeshita Sahai.





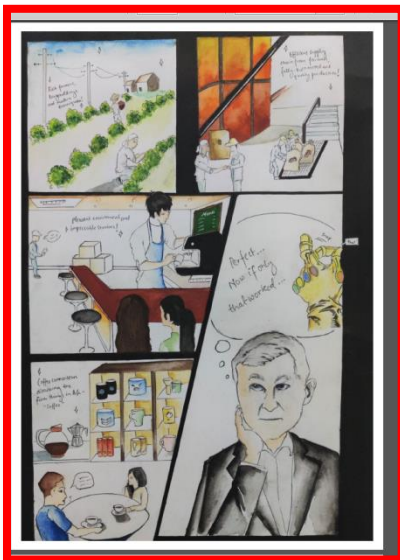
INTER SCHOOL EVENT - COMMFLUENCE

Suncity School participated in “Commfluence”, commerce fest organised virtually by Lotus Valley International School, Gurgaon on 30 October 2020.

Grade XI and XII students participated in various events like Razmattaz(businessplan), Comm up with a term, Comic Crazies, Sketch a Comm and Debate.

Adya Rastogi, Grade XIIB, Commerce Stream, impressed the judges with her fine piece of work by showing “coordination” in the form of a sketch and bagged the first prize and Sneh Dokania also of Grade XII B bagged the second prize with her futuristic and comic approach to depict various Economic and political issues.

There were 25 schools which participated like Amity, DPS Sushant Lok, DPS 45, Tagore International, Sadhu Waswani, Sanskriti School, to name a few.



COMMFLUENCE-COMMERCE FEST

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INTRA SUNCITY MODEL UNITED NATIONS –MUN CONFERENCE

The Intra Suncity Model United Nations –MUN conference was held on the 31st October and 1st November, 2020 on the virtual platform. The Secretariat, comprising students of Grade XI were instrumental in putting the event together. Like the previous four conferences, this fifth one too was a complete student-led initiative.

Two student alumni of Suncity School -Vedaant Shahani and Bhavyam Dutt were the co-chair of two committees.

SPECTACULAR SPORTS

REPORT OF TABLE TENNIS DISTRICT TOURNAMENT

Our budding Table Tennis star Mahir of Grade VIA made Suncity School proud by winning a Gold medal and a Bronze medal in the Table Tennis District Tournament held at Titans Academy, New Colony, Gurgaon in the U-12 (cadet boys) and U-15 (Sub Junior Category) Categories. He played accurate and powerful shots and he applied effective strategy to anticipate his opponent's returns and strokes.

He has been selected for State level Table Tennis tournament.



VIRTUAL INTER-SCHOOL-CHESS TOURNAMENT 'SHATRANJ' ORGANIZED BY RIDGE VALLEY SCHOOL



Our budding chess champions participated in the Virtual Chess Championship 'Shatranj' organised by the Ridge Valley School on 17 October 2020. The total number of students who participated in the tournament from all over India was 113. Twenty players from our school showcased their strategic and creative thinking, calmness under pressure and patience while playing this mind game.

Shubh Ashish of Grade V and Suraj Gupta of Grade IV performed well in the U-13 category.

FIRST VIRTUAL (8TH INTER HOUSE) TAE-KWON-DO COMPETITION

The first ever Virtual (8th Inter House) Tae-kwon-do Competition was conducted successfully on 30 October 2020 in the club hour. In Tae-kwon-do competitions, the idea is to demonstrate power, speed and technique. Our Champions also showcased self-belief, confidence in their abilities, and intention to perform their best in Tae-kwon-do as practitioners.

Their techniques displayed the requisite speed, power and firmness to be realistically used as an attack or defense move.

Mr. Kulwant Singh (Black belt 3 Dan from South Korea; Awarded by the governor; National referee-Three times; India's champion and International player) judged the participants based on various parameters such as kicks, punches, blocks etc.

The participants were divided into 3 groups:

Group 1-Grade I and II

Group 2: Grade III to V

Group 3: Grade VI onwards

It was encouraging to witness various techniques of Tae-kwon-do which the students had learnt, and their performance was power packed. The list of participants, result and a few snapshots are shown below:

Virtual Interhouse Taekwondo Competition (30th October) - Grade I and II				
Rajdeep Singh	II	F	Indian	
Rannvijay Singh	II	E	Arctic	
Kritika Jundal	II	C	Indian	
Anya Kumar	II	F	Indian	

Virtual Interhouse Taekwondo Competition (30th October) - Grade 3,4 and 5				
Name of the child	Class	Section	House	
Latika Jindal	V	E	Arctic	
Chris Jacob	IV	E	Atlantic	
Abeer Sharma	III	E	Atlantic	
Aneesh Kapoor	V	G	Indian	

Virtual Interhouse Taekwondo Competition (30th October) - Grade 6,7 and 8				
Name of the child	Class	Section	House	
Angad Batra	VIII	A	Indian	
Aryan Batra	VI		Indian	

SUNCITY SCHOOL सुनसिटी स्कूल										
Interhouse Taekwondo Evaluation Sheet										
Name	CLASS	SECTION	HOUSE	Gender	Punch	Kick	Block	Total	Ranking	
Latika Jindal	V	E	Arctic	Female	9	9	9	27	I	
Aneesh Kapoor	V	G	Indian	Male	9	8	8	25	II	
Chris Jacob	IV	E	Atlantic	Male	7	7	7	21	III	

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Angad Batra	VII	A	Indian	Male	9	8	8	25		
Aryan Batra	VI			Male	7	8	7	22		

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Rajdeep Singh	II	F	Indian	Male	8	8	9	25	II	
Anya Kumar	II	F	Indian	Male	7	7	8	22	III	



ICE SKATING COMPETITION

Our skating champion, Aditi Gard of Grade XII, made Suncity school proud by winning 2 Silver medals in the Haryana District level Skating competition held at Baliawas Bendtrack on 31 October 2020. She wonderfully showcased the spins, turns, agility, balance, coordination, flexibility, and the speed that comes from the explosive “quickness” of muscles.

She has been selected for Haryana State Level Ice competition.



CONTINUOUS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

DATE	WORKSHOP	RESOURCE CENTRE	FACULTY
10 OCT	47th Platinum Jubilee Memorial Inter School English Debate	The Scindia School	Principal, Ms. Sandeepa rai as Judge
13 OCT	Thinglink	Mahattattva Webinar	Grade VI-XI Teachers
17 OCT	Kids for Tigers	Educationists and Shri Ram Millennium school, NOIDA	Sonia Arora
21 OCT	Conference on CRS,International Sports Management		Sports Coaches
27 and 29 OCT	Workshop on 'Effective Reading'	Oxford University Press	EYP faculty

DIRECTOR-SUNCITY SCHOOLS

- Attended the Plaksha University webinar 'Infinity' 2020 which brought forth the importance of IA through a presentation titled 'The Tech Leaders of tomorrow.' The conference was on reinventing Tech Education. Its buzzword was 'Tinker, Solve, create', where students were motivated to explore their tech-based solutions to real-life problems which was needed more than academic prowess.
- Attended the 'College and beyond' webinar wherein there were various sessions conducted by the teaching faculty and the admission departments of various US universities to help students with career counselling.