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Principal's Message

Every person who comes into this world is a gift from the Lord Almighty. Hence we need to value and appreciate every person and enter into right relationship. A right relationship with people consists in gratefully recognizing their value. We need to open the doors of our hearts to others because each person is a gift whether they are adults, children, poor, handicapped or less privileged.

We who are involved in the teaching profession, need to sensitize our children and to train them to open the doors of their hearts to the millions of people in our country who are poor, less privileged and marginalized. It is not an easy task.

Montfort School, Roorkee has made a humble beginning by creating a vision and mission for the nation which we plan to slowly realize by inculcating in the hearts of the children this dream of respecting and valuing every person and building up right relationship. We have therefore planned to pursue the core values of Green India, clean India, knit India, heal India and literate India. We have also organized a number programmes and activities for the children to sensitize them on the above mentioned values.

In the last news letter we had highlighted the values of green India and clean India and we did follow up the same. In the forthcoming News Letter we plan to highlight the remaining three values and follow up with a number of initiatives and activities so that our children not only do things that are told to them but also there will be compulsion within themselves to do things which are useful for our country and our citizens. This will be the realization of our dream of every Montfortian becoming really good and beautiful persons who will lead the nation and our people with efficiency and right relationship.

As in the past, the students of classes X and XII have done extremely well in the CBSE Board Examinations 2017. Hearty congratulations to all the students and the teachers who worked so hard with them. My hearty congratulations also go to all the students who have done so well in the curricular and co curricular activities.

Due to age factor and health reasons, I have decided to move out of School Administration. The Provincial administration has accepted my request to be freed from the school with effect from June, 2017. It was indeed a very enriching and pleasant experience being and working in this wonderful Institution for the last FIVE years. I have enjoyed being with you teachers/ staff members and parents and working continuously for the welfare and development of all our students. Today I feel proud of them for they are making all efforts to become good, beautiful, happy and successful persons useful to the society and the country.

Bro. Albert Abraham, the Vice Principal is succeeding me as the Principal. He is young, very dynamic and committed. I wish him all success and all the best. Kindly extend to him all the possible cooperation and support so that he will be able to give very effective and right leadership to all the people associated with this wonderful Institution.

I wish you all the best and may God bless each one of you very specially.



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Principal

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Values are important ingredient that helps in guiding a person in the right direction. However, in our fast paced lives, meeting deadlines, running behind schedules, we let go of these values sometimes. Therefore, it becomes imperative for all of us to look back in retrospection in order to understand and analyse what has gone wrong and where. I would like to mention some lines from the letter which former American President Abraham Lincoln wrote to the Headmaster of the school in which his son was studying-

“Teach him that for every enemy there is a friend
Teach him to learn to lose and also to enjoy winning.

Teach him the wonder of books; but also give him quiet time to ponder the eternal mystery of birds in the sky, bees in the sun, and flowers on a green hillside.”

Abraham Lincoln emphasised the need for inculcating a spirit of tolerance, justness, faith and dedication more than what the child could be taught academically. It is a similar spirit that needs to be revitalised among us, so that the spirit of optimism and belief in the eternal human spirit is not lost. When everything seems to be going wrong all around us, we have to draw courage and strength from within ourselves in order to sustain through the turmoil. Let us therefore endeavour to set our priorities right and reawaken the soul to bring back the faith in a meaningful existence.

It is time, my dear students, to give up any sort of aimless drifting and to revive value based way of living and to put the elixir of life into the apathy ridden individuals all around you. Do not forget or give up search for excellence but remember that it is equally essential to imbibe those values which have always sustained humanity.



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(Chief Editor)

Result-Class XII (2016-17)

Science Stream Toppers



Sankait Bhatia
94%



Risha Kulshrestha
93.8%



Apurv Jain
93.4%



Rishabh Jain
93.4%



Manvi
92.8%



Samarth Singh
92.6%



Yash Rastogi
92.4%



Shreya Gulati
92.2%



Anant Saini
90.8%



Reem Ashima
90.4%



Roopal Mundepi
90.4%



Rajat
90%

Commerce Stream Toppers



Vatsal Arora
96.4%



Tanish Matta
95.6%



Akanksha Dwivedi
93.6%



Shivam Khandelwal
93.6%



Tanya Kalra
92.4%



Prachi Mittal
90.4%



Ansh Sachdeva
90.2%

Class-X (2016-17) CGPA-10



Aarsh Verma



Aastha Sharma



Abhay Raj



Aditya Chettri



**Aditya Shankar
Shukla**



Akshi Gaur



Ansh Gupta



Anshal Kapil



Anubhav Arora



Apoorva Raj



Aradhay



Archit Gupta



Astha Arora



Ayush Agarwal



Ayush Chaudhary



Ayushi Arora



Devansh Kalra



Devansh Agarwal



Devansh Tyagi



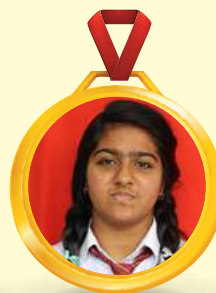
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Mausree Srivastava



Mehul Singh



Mohammad Yusuf



Mohini Saini



Nimitt Goel



Prachi Kapil



Raman Taneja



S. Sidharth



Sahil Chaudhary



Samayika Jain



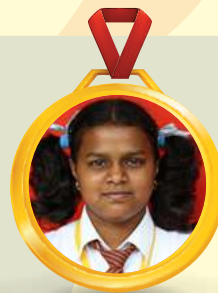
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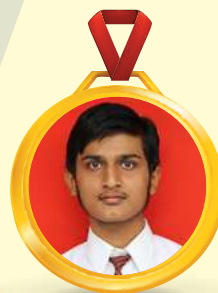
Utkarsh Choudhary



Vaibhav Tomar



Vinayak Gupta



Yash Mittal

Intra-School Activities

Making My Garden

'Making my garden' activity was conducted on 9th November, 2016 in which K.G students were asked to bring potted plant from home and were told to take it's care. In just a few days, a beautiful bonding, tender care and love was visible in the eyes of the children for their plant.



Catch them young: K.G children tending to their plants as a part of the school's drive to sensitise them towards their environment.

Power Point Presentation Activity

A Power point presentation activity was held on 22nd November, 2016 in the school auditorium. Class V students came forward confidently with their presentation and slides on various topics in Social Studies like 'Ancient Education', 'Knit India', 'Literate India' etc. They left no stone unturned for the activity which was appreciated by the audience.

Class Picnic

Students of classes IX and X were taken for a class picnic on 12th November, 2016. The picnic location was Camp Carnival, Kanatal, nestled in the scenic Himalayas, at an altitude of 8500 feet.

Many adventure sports activities such as rock climbing, flying fox, sky bridge, valley crossing etc, were organised for the students. These adrenaline pumping activities were thoroughly enjoyed by the students, filled them with self confidence and allowed many to overcome their fears. Well-qualified and experienced instructors were present to ensure utmost safety during the activities. It was indeed a thrilling and memorable day for the students.



Christmas Card Making Competition

A Christmas Card making competition was organised for classes I to V, on 3rd December, 2016, to discover the kinesthetic intelligence. This was an individual activity with 100% participation. Children showed their creativity and imagination in this competition.

Inter-House Poem Enactment Competition

An Inter-House Poem Enactment Competition for Class VIII was organised on 9th December, 2016. This competition was organised to explore and encourage the speaking skills and confidence in children. They participated earnestly in the competition, came up with different poems and enacted them with enthusiasm making the event a success.



Ad-Mad World

A competition on advertisement was organised for the students of Class VII on 17th December, 2016. Two teams from each section competed. The teams selected a product of their choice to advertise. All the participants were full of zeal and enthusiasm.



Visits to the Orphanage and Old-Age Home

The students from the Primary, Middle and Senior sections participated in school's annual endeavour to visit and encourage the under-privileged section of our society. The Primary section visited Premdham Orphanage, Najibabad. They were accompanied by the Headmistress Sr. Punitha, Sr. Julie, Ms. Prachi, Mr. Shashank and Mrs. Vandana Sharma. Children entertained them with Christmas carols and performed a lively dance followed by a skit. They also distributed the collected gifts. It was indeed a very heart touching and meaningful visit.

The Middle and Senior sections visited Shanti Niwas, Saharanpur, an institution under the aegis of Missionaries of Charity, on 21st December, 2016. They were accompanied by the co-ordinator Mrs. Lizy Philip, Mr. Chetan, Mrs. Jins and Mrs. Supriya Daniel.

The encounter with the inmates, who were mentally challenged women, as well as, some who have been neglected by family, brought tears in the eyes of both our students and staff. The interactions enabled our students to develop a sense of empathy and a spirit of contentment. The students enthralled the inmates with Christmas carols. They also distributed groceries and other items which were collected class-wise in the school.



Rangoli Competition

A Rangoli competition was held on 7th February, 2017 for classes III to V. Students participated with full enthusiasm. They came up with innovative ideas and used vibrant colours. The winners were appreciated with certificates.



KIDZEE Camp

Activities enhance the growth of tiny tots. A Kidzee Camp was organised on 8th February, 2017 for little kids (K.G). Mrs. Sonika and Mrs. Rattika beaded different games and activities to promote cognitive and psychomotor development of the children, under the guidance of Sr. Priya (K.G co-ordinator). The little stars participated with great zeal and enthusiasm.



Celebrations and Functions

Children's Day

Children's Day program was celebrated in the school on 16th November, 2016. The program began with lighting of the lamp by the Principal Bro. Jose Thottiyil, followed by a variety of programs which included melodious songs, channel surfing and poem recitation by teachers. 'A meeting with Chacha Nehru' was the surprise event of the day in the senior section.



The program in the K.G and the Primary section began by paying tribute to Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru, along with a prayer song. It was followed by a humorous song 'teri bhook ka illaj Kudo-ko' sung by the teachers which made the children laugh and giggle. Skits and dances performed by the teachers captivated the young minds and left them spellbound. Bro. Jose, in his address to the students, stressed on the importance of building a good relationship with their teachers for a better learning outcome.



Annual Sports Day

The Annual Sports Day for classes VI-XI was organised in the school campus on 30th November, 2016. The Chief Guest of the day was Brig. Dr. Manash Biswas, Commandant, Military Hospital. The students displayed a wide array of colorful and exhilarating events such as March past, Yoga, Races, Drills and Dances.

The trophy for the Inter-House March Past was won by the Tagore House. The overall winner of various sports events organised during the year was the Gandhi House. The Chief Guest, in his speech, appreciated the co-ordination and precision displayed by the students. The program culminated with the lowering of the Flag ceremony. The Flag was then handed over to Brother Principal by the Sports Captains.



K.G. Sports Day

To inculcate the spirit of sportsmanship, Sports Day was organised in the K.G section on 10th December, 2016. Bro. James Ekka, Provincial Superior of Brothers of St. Gabriel, Delhi Province, the Chief Guest of K.G Sports Day, inaugurated the event. The students mesmerized the audience with their energetic performances. Tiny athletes 'worked out' on a number of drills and races. The day was full of healthy fun and excitement.



Principal's Day

The birthday celebration of the Principal Bro. Jose Thottiyil on 16th December, 2016 was a joyous moment for the entire school. Students and staff members organised a special program to express their love and gratitude towards their Principal. The program in the senior wing began with the band escorting the Principal in a rhythmic march, followed by the special assembly which included a birthday song and a lively dance by students.



Students in the Primary wing even showed a flashback into the life of Bro. Jose. The entire quadrangle resonated with the melodious tunes of the birthday song sung by the children as Brother cut the cake. An outpouring of love and affection came in the form of handmade birthday greetings and bouquets by each class. Students from the K.G wing performed wonderful dances on this occasion.



Thanksgiving and Christmas Celebration

Thanksgiving day was celebrated in the school on 23rd December, 2016 to thank God for –

*Every new morning with its light,
For rest and shelter at night,
For health and food, for love and friends,
For everything thy goodness sends.*

On this auspicious occasion, students sang prayers of different religions to express their gratitude to the sacred figure. Students thanked the school authorities, parents, teachers and all the people who play a role in their lives.



A time to rejoice and celebrate! Montfort school wore a festive look for the Christmas celebration in advance on 22nd and 23rd December, 2016. It was celebrated with gaiety in the school. On the occasion, a cultural program was put up by the students which commenced with a prayer dance of invocation, followed by a skit on the life of Jesus and singing of Christmas carols. The students reflected upon the teachings of Jesus Christ and his life. Many children came dressed as Santa Claus. Students presented a colourful skit depicting the birth of Lord Jesus, followed by dances and a fashion show. Fashion show displayed different Christmas elements like Santa's cap, socks, reindeer, etc. showcasing their significance. Speaking on this occasion, Bro. Jose Thottiyil urged the students to imbibe the message of love, caring, sharing and respecting all as was preached by Jesus himself.



Republic Day

The 68th Republic Day of our country was celebrated with great enthusiasm and fervour in the school campus. The Principal Bro. Jose Thottiyil hoisted the National Flag. The students of class V presented a beautiful dance. A patriotic song by the school choir filled a strong patriotic feeling in everyone. The students of classes IX and X also mesmerised the audience with their energetic dance.



The Principal addressed the gathering and asked the students to fulfill their duties towards their country. Speaking on the occasion, Bro. Jose said that as we celebrate the Republic Day, we should all pledge to become good persons, and not run after wealth and power. He also appreciated the students for putting up a good show. Meritorious students from the field of sports were awarded medals and certificates for their achievements in their respective sports.

St. Montfort's Birthday and Award Giving Ceremony

The birthday of our founder St. Montfort was celebrated on 31st January, 2017. Children of different classes presented beautiful songs and dances on this occasion. A speech highlighting the life-sketch and ideals of St. Montfort was delivered by the students of class X. In order to appreciate the efforts and hard work of our students, an 'Award Giving Ceremony' was also organised for the Senior section. The awards included various sponsored awards instituted by well wishers. Overall toppers in class XII CBSE Board Exams & subject toppers were given these sponsored awards. Other class toppers and subject toppers were also awarded with the medals and certificate of appreciation instituted by Montfort School, Roorkee. All the parents and guest sponsors witnessed the ceremonial function. It was indeed a proud moment for all the students, parents as well as the teachers.



In the end, Bro. Principal appreciated and motivated the students to strive to excel in all the fields and asked them not to give up.

Awards and Scholarship (Senior Section)

Award Instituted by Wellwishers

Medals for Academic Excellence in Class-V (Sri Ganesh Jewellers)

Gold Medal



Debrup Das
99.9%

Silver Medal



Stavva Sharma
98.67%



Unnati Sachdeva
98.67%



Raunak Ghosh
98.67%

Bronze Medal



Divyansh Shekhar
97.70%

Toppers in English in Class-V

(Dr. P. Jeevanandam)



Debrup Das
99.75%



Parth
99.75%

Class XII CBSE Board Exam Toppers

(Mr. Mukesh Jain)



Aayushi Khanduri
(Science Stream) 94.6%



Shubhanshi Verma
(Commerce Stream) 94%

Topper in Hindi in Class XII

(Mrs. Promila Sharma)



Vaibhav Kumar
92%

Topper in English in Class XII

(Mrs. Amita Gupta)

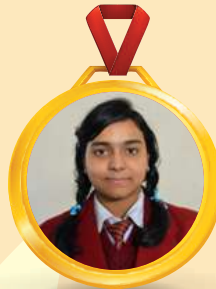


Shubhanshi Verma
96%

Best Girl Mathematician in Class XII (Captain Salil Shandilya)



Aayushi Khanduri
95%



Aditi Saini
95%



Shubhanshi Verma
95%

Appreciation Award for Class X (10 CGPA) (Mr. Mujeeb Malik)



Aakriti



Aarushi



Aditi Goyal



Aditya Agarwal



Ajay Raj



Aman Tariq



Annie



Anshul



Anushka



Archie



Arpit Saini



Ayush Chouhan



Daksh Agrohi



Dev Vrat Kapil



Gauri Saini



Harish



Harsh Agarwal



Harshita



Kapil



Kartikay



Mahek



Mudit



Nikita



Oshin



Paritosh



Parth Dua



Poorva



Prachi



Prashant



Prince Vats



Ritika Saini



Ritvij



Sakshi Rastogi



Shivanshu



Sibi



Siddharth Thakur



Sparsh Bansal



Tannu



Vaibhav Chauhan



Vaibhav Saini



Vanshika



Varun Vats



Vibhooti



Vinayak



Yatharth



Yashaswani

Farah Malik Scholarship

(Girl Student belonging to a minority community of any class.)
(Mr. Majeed Malik)



Izna
III-B

Instituted by Montfort School



Sumit Sanga
VII-B

The Batra Award in Business Studies and Accountancy in Class XII

(Mr. Pradeep Batra)

Accountancy



Darsh Surana
98%



Kartik Gulati
98%



Sajal Sahni
98%



Chirag Jain
98%



Saniya Goel
98%

Business Studies



Saniya Goel
96%



Divya
98%



Paridhi Garg
98%



Sakshi Sharma
98%



Aman Gupta
98%

Bhatia Brother's Award for Mathematics Toppers in Class XII



Aayushi khanduri
95%



Akshay Kumar
95%



Saksham Gupta
95%



Gagan Raj Singh
95%



Nidanshu Arora
95%



Aditi Saini
95%



Abhishek Gupta
95%



Shubhanshi Verma
95%



Darsh Surana
95%



Kartik Gulati
95%

S. K. Bhatia Award for Physics and Chemistry Toppers in Class XII

Physics



Akshay Kumar
98%

Chemistry



Shaun Thayil
99%

Yash Pal Brother's Award for Economics Topper in Class XII



Divya
99%

Cambridge Award (Mr. Jawahar Lal)

Best Scout



Vaibhav Saini
XI-B

Best Guide



Mulsree Srivastav
X-D

Award Instituted by Montfort School-Medals to Subject Toppers

Toppers in Science



Debrup Das
V
100%



Tanvi Manhas
VI
99.5%



Swapnil
VII
99.25%



Tushan Kumar
VIII
99.25%

Toppers in S. St.



Stavva Sharma
V
100%



Arnav Rastogi
VI
98.25%



Vaishnavi Shukla
VII
98.25%



Sidhi Thakur
VII
98.25%

Toppers in Maths



Debrup Das
V
100%



Tanvi Manhas
VI
99%



Partha Kaushik
VII
98.25%



Vanshika
VII
98.25%



Ananya Subhudhi
VIII
97.75%



Rishabh Jain
XI
95.75%

Toppers in English



Debrup Das
V
99.75%



Parth
V
99.75%



Tanvi Manhas
VI
97.75%



Swapnil
VII
99%



Kruti Jain
VIII
86.75%



Risha Kulshrestha
XI
95.75%

Toppers in Hindi



Debrup Das
V
99.5%



Tanvi Manhas
VI
99%



Balvinder Singh
VII
99%



Gautami Batra
XI
92.25%

Toppers in Sanskrit



Arnav Rastogi
VI
100%



Drishti Ratra
VIII
100%



Rhythm Sachdeva
VI
100%



Ayushi Gupta
VIII
100%



Vaani Ghai
VII
99.05%



Arpita Panigrahi
VIII
100%



Bhoomi Bonal
VII
99.5%

Toppers in Computers



Tanvi Manhas
VI
99.25%



Hardik Sahni
VII
97.5%



Ananya Subudhi
VIII
97.75%



Rishabh Jain
XI
95.25%

Other Subject Toppers in Class XI



Rishabh Jain
Physics
94.25%



Apoorv Jain
Chemistry
93.25%



Shivani Ratra
Biology
92.5%



Shivam Khandelwal
Accountancy
98%



Shivam Khandelwal
Business Studies
98%



Tanya Kalra
Economics
93.25%



Gajal Arora
Economics
93.5%



Shivam Khandelwal
Economics
93.5%



Kritika Gupta
Physical Education
91%

Toppers in Biology in Class XII



Anmol Singhal
95%



Pallavi Rawat
95%



Radhika Joshi
95%



Shubham Bhatt
95%



Mohd. Monish
95%



Vaibhav Kumar
95%



Aditi Tyagi
95%



Medha
95%



Harsh Bharti
95%



Ashish Saini
95%



Arundhati Singh
95%



Pranjal Chandra
95%



Aamir Tasdeeq
95%

Toppers in Physical Education in Class XII



Sanya Ahuja
98%



Chirag Jain
98%



Akshay Veer Saini
98%

Toppers in Physical Education in Class XII



Shaun Thayil
96%



Shivangi Srivastava
96%



Kartikeya Kotnala
96%

Medal to Class Toppers



Debrup Das
V
99.9%



Tanvi Manhas
VI
98.97%



Swapnil
VII
97.88%



Ananya Subudhi
VIII
97.06%

Class IX (10 CGPA Scores)



Aditya Shankar Shukla



Sanskar Sharma



Ayush Agarwal



Aastha Arora



Garvit Arora



Tirtha V. Sawant



Aradhay Sharma



Devansh Kalra



Aastha Sharma



Ansh Gupta



Apoorva Raj



Manan Sachdeva



Mohd. Yusuf



Prachi Kapil



Yash Mittal



Nimitt Goel



Samayika Jain



Devansh Aggarwal

Class XI

Science Stream



Yash Rastogi
89%

Commerce Stream



Shivam Khandelwal
90.7%

Achievers in Sports



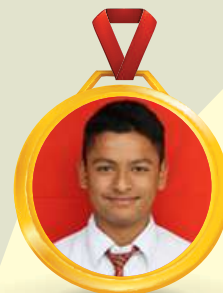
Dhruv Kumar
IX-D



Divyansh
XI-A



Harish
XI-C



Harshit Kumar
XII-C



Anshika
X-C



Arunima
X-A



Kartik Sharma
X-A



Siddharth Choudhary
X-C



Sanyam Chaudhary
X-C



Anirudh Singh
X-A



Vedang Kapil
IX-B



Sharad Chaudhary
IX-A



Shivansh Rawat
IX-D



Priyanshu Verma
IX-A



Abhigyan Chaudhary
IX-D



Mayank Rawat
IX-A



Ekansh Gautam
IX-A



Pranjanya Rai
IX-C



Aastha
VIII-B



Utsav Roy
XI-C



Krishna
VII-C



Abaan
VIII-A



Raghav
VIII-A



Chitransh
VI-D



Harsh Wardhan
VIII-A



Saanvi
VII-C

Awards in Primary Section

'Medals aren't really made of Gold. They are made of sweat & determination'.

On 1st February, 2017, the birthday of St. Montfort and the award giving ceremony began in Montfort Primary wing. The program commenced with a beautiful welcome dance by the students of class IV & V followed by a skit based on the life sketch of St. Louis Marie De Montfort, and many more tantalizing dance numbers. The students received a wide range of awards including subject achievement awards instituted by Montfort school. Gandhi House bagged the Best House Trophy for the events which took place during the session 2016-17.



Awards and Scholarship (Primary Section)

Award Instituted by Wellwishers

Award for Academic Excellence in Class IV (Mr. P. Jeevanandam)



Jinesh Kumar Mahapatra
IV
99.83%

Award Instituted by Montfort School



Aman Ahuja
LKG
100%



Ananya Tyagi
LKG
100%



Ansh Shinghal
LKG
100%



Parsham Jain
LKG
100%



Roopkatha Dhara
UKG
100%



Aviral Jain
I
99.96%



Rohan Singhal
II
99.88%



Pratham Kharbanda
III
98.54%



Jinesh Kumar Mahapatra
IV
99.83%

Toppers in Hindi



Aviral Jain
I
100%



Manya Mendiratta
I
100%



Rohan Singhal
II
99.5%



Saurabh Singh
II
99.5%



Pratham Kharbanda
III
98.25%



Jinesh Kumar
IV
100%

Toppers in English



Aviral Jain
I
100%



Bismanjeet Kaur
I
100%



Rohan Singhal
II
100%



Pratham Kharbanda
III
99%



Jinesh Kumar Mahapatra
IV
100%

Toppers in Mathematics



Aviral Jain
I
99.75%



Amlan Subudhi
I
99.75%



Rohan Singhal
II
99.75%



Atharv Pandey
III
98%



Jinesh Kumar
IV
100%

Toppers in EVS



Aviral Jain
I
100%



Amlan Subudhi
I
100%



Rohan Singhal
II
100%



Shrishti Bhaintwal
II
100%



Saurabh Singh
II
100%



Indrajeet Ahlawat
II
100%



Adit Singhal
III
100%



Pratham Kharbanda
III
100%



Pragya Aggarwal
III
100%



Divyansh Bisht
III
100%



Jinesh Kumar
IV
100%



Drishika Arora
IV
100%



Sambhav Singhal
IV
100%



Urjit Vashisht
IV
100%



Vaishnavi Saini
IV
100%



Harshita Rawtani
V

Achievements in Sports



Blessing Day

The farewell for our passing out batch of Class XII (2016-17) was held on the 11th February, 2017. The function began with a procession led by our school band. It was inaugurated by the lighting of the lamp followed by the prayer dance. The Head Boy Rishabh Jain and the Head Girl Ishika Singh shared their memories and were also awarded most promising students from this outgoing batch. Akansha and Rishika from the commerce section recited a poem which was preceded by a song performed by Pallavi Singh and Ishika Singh. The graduating students were given mementos and their attributes were identified which became part of the 'Montfort Fruit Tree'. Students of class XI put up a grand dance performance as well as a harmonious medley. The graduating class were motivated and inspired by a speech given by our Principal Bro. Jose Thottiyil. Mrs. Supriya Daniel also spoke on behalf of the teachers.

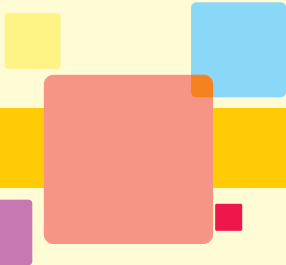
The function culminated with the solemn candle lighting ceremony, to the tune of 'I have a dream' and 'You lift me up'. This was followed by the lowering of the flag, accompanied by the song 'Auld Lang Syne', marking the close of an important chapter in the life of class XII students.



K.G. Annual Day and Graduation Day Ceremony

'Life is a celebration of awakenings, new beginnings and wonderful surprises that enlighten the soul'- Cielo

K.G Tiny tots once again proved that they are not less than the others by performing wonderful & inspirational program on the stage on 25th February, 2017. Twin celebrations of Annual Day and Graduation ceremony was the occasion, which added one more page to the glory of our school. It was for the first time that Graduation ceremony was organised for class U.K.G for the successful completion of Kindergarten. Maj. Gen. Dr. O.P. Soni was the Chief Guest. The aura of the success of the program radiated in the appreciation filled speeches of the Chief Guest and the Principal Bro. Jose Thottiyil. The core content of the program was a step ahead towards the success of our Motherland by following the basic five principles – 'Heal India', 'Green India', 'Knit India', 'Clean India' and 'Literate India'.



Inter School Activities

Vidyarthi Vigyan Manthan



V.V.M is a program organised by NCERT, Vigyan prasar and VIBHA jointly, with an objective to hunt for a talent in the field of Science. 8000 participants took part in this talent hunt on 20th November, 2016 from Uttarakhand. 120 students were selected for state level camp. J. Sibibalan, Shriansh Manhas, Parth Kaushik and Ananya Goel were selected for state level camp held in DAV Centenary Public School, Haridwar on 19th February, 2017. Participants of our school were accompanied by Mrs. Meenakshi Manhas. Two of our students- Ananya Goyal and Parth Kaushik made the school proud by being selected for national level camp by securing 1st and 2nd position in 8th class category. Our Assistant Head Boy J. Sibibalan secured 3rd position in 11th class. Winners were awarded with cash prizes, mementos and a certificate in this one day camp.

Hindi Debate Competition

A Hindi Debate competition was held in Doon Public School, Roorkee on 17th December, 2016, on the topic-

“नोटबंदी सरकारी नीति, काले धन के खिलाफ संघर्ष या राजनैतिक चाल।”

16 different schools of Roorkee took part in this event. Tanisha Tyagi (9C - for the motion) & Samayika Jain (10D - against the motion) took part in the competition. Tanisha Tyagi secured the First position.



Pareeksha Test

ALDINE CA institute had organized its 9th Accountancy test on 25th December, 2016. The test aimed to identify and inspire the commerce students for their preparation towards CA examination. The syllabus was strictly based on CBSE, (AISSCE) 2017. 11 of our students participated in the test and all of them performed well in the same.

Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI): A Talent Search Test



The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India conducted a talent search test on 15th January, 2017. Four students of class XI C- Sparsh Bansal, Harish Aggarwal, Anshika Arora and Pratham Dua cleared the first level exam creditably. In the second level, Harish Aggarwal secured the 11th position bringing laurels to our school.

Science Quiz

To commemorate Science Day, each year, IIT-Roorkee organises a Science Quiz. This quiz was held on the 17th February, 2017 in which our team comprising of Sibibalan Jeevanandam, Yatharth Verma and Ritvij Shukla stood First. It was a nail biting finish in which our team performed well. The team was accompanied by Mrs. Supriya Daniel.



Open House at IIT, Roorkee

To commemorate Dr. C.V Raman's birthday, every year on 28th February, IIT Roorkee organises Science Day celebrations of which, the 'Open house' is a huge attraction. Students were taken around the laboratories of Physics, Chemistry, Earth Science and Biotechnology. Certain experiments were demonstrated and students were able to interact with Ph.D scholars as well as professors. Our students thoroughly enjoyed this experience. They were accompanied by Mrs Supriya Daniel.



Humming Bird Olympiad

Our students of classes XI and XII (commerce stream) participated in “HUMMING BIRD OLYMPIAD” for session 2016-17. Two of our students Shriyanshi Bansal of XI C and Akansha Dwivedi of XII C won Gold medals, while six other students won Silver medals for their exceptional performances in the examination. They also qualified for the second level of commerce Olympiad . Under the guidance of Mr. Arun Arora (PGT-Accountancy), these students secured their distinguished position among lakhs of students who participated in the exam from more than 10,000 schools. Our Principal Bro. Jose Thottiyil appreciated all the winners and motivated them to excel further in forthcoming competitions.

Sports Round-Up

Interschool Badminton Tournament

Montfort School organised the 6th Inter-school Badminton Tournament from 12th to 14th November, 2016. We are proud to have hosted more than 200 players from 15 schools, this year. The competition was tough and Montfort School team, under the able guidance of Mr. Deepak Pal, the Badminton coach, were declared the champions.

CBSE Cluster Athletics Meet

CBSE Cluster Athletics Meet- 2016 (U.P and U.K) was held from 24th to 26th November, 2016 at Blue Birds school, Dhanaura. Siddharth Chaudhary (X C) won Gold medal in Shot-put and Discus throw. He created a new record in Discus throw by throwing it to a distance of 42.60 meters. He was selected to participate at the National level tournament organised by the CBSE.



Siddharth was declared the individual champion in U-17 boys category.

Inter-School Athletics Meet

It was organized by ABN school, Roorkee from 29th to 31st December, 2016 in IIT- Roorkee campus. 400 students from 12 different schools participated in the event in which Montfortians were declared overall Champion of the tournament. Omar Ansari (VIII B) was declared the Best Athlete of the tournament.



Youth Athletics Tournament

In this tournament organised by State Youth Welfare consolation Board, Government of Uttarakhand, on 19th and 20th December, 2016, Siddharth Chaudhary of class X C won the Gold medal in Shot-put.

Friendship Series



Utsav Roy of Class XI-C participated in the Friendship Series (Cricket) organised at Sawai Maan Singh Stadium, Jaipur from 25th December – 31st December, 2016. He was a member of the Delhi Team and was awarded 'Man of the Match' in the 3rd match of 5 match series, played against Rajasthan for his score of 106 runs.

13th National Ice Skating Championship

Harshita Rawtani of class V C participated and won two Bronze and one Silver medal at the 13th National Ice Skating Championship held at Shimla from 3rd-6th January, 2017. She was felicitated by the former Chief Minister of Uttarakhand - Shri Harish Rawat, for her achievement on 5th March, 2017.



Open Roorkee Badminton Tournament

Roorkee Badminton Club organised an Open Roorkee Badminton Tournament at KLP Hostel Badminton Hall from 9th-11th January, 2017. Krishna Gupta of VII C stood first in U-15 singles, doubles and open doubles category. Runners-up in different categories were Aviral Gandhi (VIII B), Rajat Goswami (VII D) and Harish Aggarwal (XI C).

Federation Cup Kick Boxing Championship

Junior National Kick boxing championship was organised by Kick boxing Association of Delhi from 16th-19th January, 2017 at Talkatora Stadium, Delhi. Seven students of our school represented Uttarakhand State team. Aastha Khandelwal (VIII B) and Sanvi Chaudhary (VII C) won the Bronze medal.



2nd Achiever's Cup Badminton Tournament



Achiever's Home Public School, Haridwar organised Badminton Tournament on 27th and 28th January, 2017. Krishna Gupta (VII C) stood first in singles U-14 group. Harish Aggarwal (XI C) was Runners-up in U-19 singles group. In the doubles category (U-14), Rajat Goswami (VII B) and Krishna Gupta (VII C) stood first. Harish Aggarwal (XI C) along with Harshit Kumar (XII C) bagged first position in U-19 category.

Inter-School Athletics

8 girls and 8 boys participated in the Athletic meet organized in Espee Global School, Roorkee on 10th December, 2016. All of them won Gold medals in their respective 4 x 100 m relay race.



Seminars

A Session on Psycho-Education

A session on Psycho-education was conducted for the students of class VII and VIII on 2nd and 3rd December, 2017 respectively. Dr. Bro. Mathew Chulaparambil, Ph.D and a renowned trainer was the resource person for the program. A special emphasis was laid on the Adolescence Period(theme of the seminar) explaining its characteristics and different stages. Various psychological, physical and emotional changes which the children go through during the adolescence period were discussed and doubts were cleared during the session.

Seminar on New Methods of English Teaching

Teachers attended a seminar on new methods of English Teaching at Hotel Four Point, Dehradun on 7th December, 2016. Around 150 teachers from seventy two schools of Dehradun, Roorkee and other nearby places participated in the seminar. Vice-Principal Bro. Albert Abraham, Mrs. Lizy Philip (co-ordinator), Mrs. Malini Kulshrestha, Mrs. Anamika Mandal and Ms. Isha Singh represented Montfort School, Roorkee. The main objective of the seminar was to create more awareness among the teachers on different effective approaches for teaching. The resource person of this conference was Mr. David Horsburgh, Oxford Scholar Education. The whole session was interactive and discussions were very enlightening.

Seminar on Vermi-Composting

A seminar on vermi-composting was organised by the Primary section on 9th December, 2016. The objective of the seminar was to create an awareness among the teachers on how to manage the Bio-degradable waste in an eco-friendly way. Fundamentals of vermi-composting, its working and principles were also discussed.

Indo-French Thematic School

Water is the elixir of life. Of the total water available on earth, 0.03% water is fresh water and fit for consumption. Yet, survey and studies reveal that even this water is becoming contaminated and unfit for drinking. Use of modern techniques in agriculture and a need to meet various requirements of an ever increasing population have resulted in the increase of harmful substances like fluorine, arsenic etc. in water.



To highlight this problem and to sensitise the people, an Indo – French Thematic school was conducted by the Department of Chemical Engineering, IIT- Roorkee on 25th February, 2017. The panel consisted of a team of professors from French Universities and professors from IIT-Roorkee. Discussions were held and presentations were shown on the topic – 'Water Treatment Technologies for Water Challenged sites in India: Opportunities for Research Based Solutions'. Mrs. Supriya Daniel, Mrs. Deepali Bhatia, Anshal Kapil (10 B), Nimit Goel (10 D) represented Montfort school in the Seminar. The knowledge gained in the seminar will be constructively used in the implementation of 'Green India' program of the school.

Hindi Articles

सत्य की चाह

सत्य की चाह है, तो चित्त को किसी 'आग्रह' से मत बांधो। जहाँ आग्रह है वहाँ सत्य नहीं आता। आग्रह और सत्य में गहरा विरोध है। मुक्त जिज्ञासा, सत्य की जीत के लिए पहली सीढ़ी है। जिज्ञासा के माध्यम से व्यक्ति में विवेक जाग्रत होता है, लेकिन जिज्ञासा आस्था से नहीं, आश्चर्य से पैदा होती है। आश्चर्य, स्वच्छ-चित्त का लक्षण होता है। उसके समीप आने से सत्य के ऊपर पड़े हुए परदे क्रमशः हटते जाते हैं और एक क्षण ऐसा आता है, जब सत्य का दर्शन होता है। यहां यह बता देना जरूरी है कि आस्तिक और नास्तिक दोनों ही आस्थावान होते हैं। हां, इतना अवश्य है कि आस्तिक की आस्था सकारात्मक होती है तो नास्तिक की आस्था नकारात्मक। जबकि आश्चर्य चित्त की एक अलग ही अवस्था है। अविश्वास नहीं है और न ही विश्वास है। वह तो इन दोनों से मुक्त खोज के लिए स्वतंत्र है सत्य के आगमन की अनिवार्य शर्त है, "चित्त की पूर्ण स्वच्छता एवं स्थिरता"। जिसका चित्त पूर्ण स्वच्छ नहीं है, जो किन्हीं सिद्धान्तों या आग्रहों से बँधे है अथवा जिनका चित्त अस्थिर या चंचल है, वे सत्य के महासूर्य के दर्शन से वंचित रह जाता है। इसलिए सत्य की चाह को पूरा करने के लिए चित्त को स्वच्छ एवं स्थिर बनाना ही

होगा। भला वे सत्य की खोज कर भी कैसे सकते हैं, जो कि पहले से ही किन्हीं सिद्धान्तवाद, आग्रहों या मतों से बंधे हुए हैं। मतों अथवा आग्रहों के खूंटो से विश्वास या अविश्वास की जंजीरों को जो खोल देता है, उसकी नाव सत्य के महासागर में यात्रा करने में समर्थ हो पाती है।



श्रेयश चौहान
7th E



पंख

जब एक लड़की पैदा होती है तो माता पिता के मन में उसके भविष्य के बारे में कई विचार आते हैं। क्या उसे अपने जीवन में कोई भी पर्याय चुनने का अधिकार होगा? क्या उसे समाज में सम्मान के साथ जीने दिया जायेगा? क्या वह किसी भी दबाव में आए बगैर अपने जीवन संबंधित निर्णय ले सकेगी? क्या वह शोषण रहित जगह पर नौकरी कर सकेगी? क्या वह स्वस्थ, सुरक्षित, सुशिक्षित होगी? या फिर वह किसी के द्वारा किसी की निजी संपत्ति मानकर शोषित या पीड़ित की जाएगी?

ऐसे कितने ही सवाल लड़कियों के माता पिता के मन में आते हैं और उन्हें परेशान करते हैं तथा उनकी रातों की नींद उड़ा देते हैं।

बेटियों के प्रति पक्षपात को संबोधित करने के लिए ही सरकार ने "बेटी बचाओ, बेटी पढ़ाओ", "लाड़ली बेटी योजना" और "सुकन्या समृद्धि योजना" का शुभारंभ किया। इन सभी योजनाओं के द्वारा समाज में बेटियों के प्रति पक्षपात, तथा शोषण को उजागर करने की कोशिश की गई है तथा समान अधिकार देने के लिए भी प्रोत्साहित किया जा रहा है।

समाज बदल रहा है। लड़कियों को परिवार व समाज से शर्त रहित तथा ठोस समर्थन की आवश्यकता है। उन्हें शिक्षा के समान अधिकार भी मिलने चाहिए और अपना कैरियर चुनने की स्वतन्त्रता भी होनी चाहिए। फिर समाज देख पाएगा कि ये लड़कियाँ अपने सपने किस तरह पूरा करती हैं।

चलिए, हम बेटियों को उड़ने के लिए पंख देते हैं, ना कि रोने के लिए आँसू।



तीर्था सावंत
10th B

पानी

पानी आकाश से गिरे तो
आकाश की ओर उठे तो
अगर जम के गिरे तो
अगर गिर कर जमे तो
फूल पर हो तो
फूल से निकले तो
जमा हो जाए तो
बहने लगे तो
सीमाओं में रहे तो
सीमाएँ तोड़ दे तो
आँख से निकले तो
शरीर से निकले तो
श्री हरि के चरणों को छू कर निकले तो

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पसीना
चरणामृत



मनन सचदेवा
10th C

मैं क्या करूँ

मैं क्या करूँ जो सबसे अच्छी बन जाऊँ,
मम्मी कहती करो पढ़ाई,
दादी कहती मत करो लड़ाई,
पापा कहते चलो घुमा ले आऊँ,
तुम ही बोलो यारो.....
मैं क्या करूँ, जो सब के मन को भा जाऊँ ।

मन करता कुछ मस्ती कर लूँ,
नाचूँ, गाऊँ, दौड़ लगाऊँ, झूला झूलूँ
पर exam की tension को कैसे दूर भगाऊँ,
तुम्हीं बोलो यारो.....
मैं क्या करूँ जो Ma'am को खुश कर जाऊँ ।
रोज़-रोज़ मैं करूँ पढ़ाई,

फिर भी नम्बर कम ले आई,
अब बोलो मैं करूँ क्या भाई,
जो मेरी सब करें बड़ाई,
और बड़ी होकर, डॉक्टर मैं बन जाऊँ ।
तुम ही बोलो यारो.....
मैं क्या करूँ जो सबसे अच्छी बन जाऊँ ।



आद्या रोहिला
1st A

नोटबंदी काले धन के खिलाफ संघर्ष

“यह एक डर है जो दिख रहा है, गुस्सा दिखा कर अंदर कोने में छिप रहा है।
आप जानते हैं यह लाइन जो अब शुरू हुई है यहाँ खत्म नहीं होगी,
अब जो हवा चली है वह अपना रुख नहीं बदलेगी।”

नमस्कार,
आज मैं तनीषा त्यागी, कक्षा 9 'सी' की छात्रा, नोटबंदी के पक्ष में अपने विचार व्यक्त करने जा रही हूँ। भारत की आज़ादी के 69 वर्ष पूरे हो चुके हैं। इन वर्षों में कई नेता आए और कई नेता गए पर कोई वह नहीं कर पाया जो हमारे प्रधानमंत्री श्री नरेंद्र मोदी जी ने अपनी ढाई साल की सत्ता में कर दिखाया है। 8-11-2016 को एक फैसला देश के सामने आया, यह फैसला था कि 500 और 1000 के नोट भारत की वैध मुद्रा का हिस्सा नहीं रहेंगे। इस फैसले ने पूरे देश को हिला कर रख दिया। भ्रष्ट लोगों का काला धन अब महज़ एक कागज़ का टुकड़ा बन कर रह गया और ईमानदार लोगों का सीना गर्व से चौड़ा हो गया।

“मुद्रा माटी हो गई मोदी भय कुम्हार, नेता मिल के रो रहे ऐसा हुआ प्रहार।”

आर0 बी0 आई0 के मुताबिक भारत में 16000 ख़रब रुपये असली हैं। इंडियन इंटेलिजेंस ऐजेंसी के मुताबिक इतने ही मूल्य के नकली नोट पाकिस्तान भारत में लाने की तैयारी कर बैठा था, यदि विमुद्रीकरण न होता तो भारत की मुद्रा स्फीति दो गुना बढ़ जाती। वित्त मंत्रालय के अनुसार नोटबंदी के कुछ लाभ इस प्रकार हैं—

- इससे देश की जीडीपी दस गुना बढ़ेगी यानी अर्थव्यवस्था बेहतर होगी।
- हवाला कारोबार खत्म हो जाएगा।
- बाजार में तेजी आएगी।
- गरीबों के लिए योजनाओं में तेजी आएगी।
- जमीनें सस्ती हो जाएगी तथा सरकार का इन्फ्रास्ट्रक्चर में निवेश बढ़ेगा।
- आतंकवादी गतिविधियों को बढ़ावा देने वालों के भी हौसले पस्त हो जाएंगे।

“यह क्या कम है कि आज वादियों में शांति है, पत्थर और

गोली बरसाने वालो के मन में अशांति है।”
आप ही बताइए क्या यह सरकार द्वारा काले धन के खिलाफ संघर्ष नहीं ?

70 वर्षों से भ्रष्ट नेताओं ने देश को कतारों में खड़ा रखा, कभी आटे की कतार, कभी चावल की कतार तो कभी मिट्टी तेल की कतार। इस देश को भ्रष्टाचार मुक्त देश बनाने के लिए क्या हम एक आखिरी कतार नहीं लगा सकते? कुछ पाने के लिए हमें थोड़ा संघर्ष तो करना ही होगा और इस देश को सर्वोच्च देश बनाने के लिए हमें इस अग्निपथ से तो गुजरना ही होगा।

अंत में यह कहना चाहूंगी कि आज आलम यह है कि “नेता डर रहा है, चुनाव में भीड़ कैसे जुटाएगा, बाबू डर रहा है ऊपर की आय कैसे कमाएगा, व्यापारी डर रहा है कर कैसे बचाएगा, आतंकवादी डर रहा है दहशत कैसे

फैलाएगा।”

जय हिन्द।

धन्यवाद

(अन्तर्विद्यालय वाद-विवाद प्रतियोगिता में प्रथम स्थान प्राप्त विचार)



प्रस्तोता
तनीषा त्यागी
9th C

मन को लगते कितने प्यारे

नील गगन में जड़ित सितारे,
ये सागर नदियों के किनारे,
घन से झड़ती जल की धारे,
सुमन, सुबास, शुकंत ये न्यारे,
मन को लगते कितने प्यारे,
मन को लगते कितने प्यारे।

सुधा की धारा बहती नदियां,
भू पर इनकी बीती सदियाँ,
नभ छत्र की छवि संजोये,
सिंधु के आँचल में सोएं,
सहचर इनके लंबे किनारे,
मन को लगते कितने प्यारे।

धरा से गगन को छूते भूधर,
तरु वनस्पति का श्रृंगार कर,
लुक-छिप जाते चंद्र दिवाकर,
पीछे इनके रैन-सुबह कर,
अडिग खड़े हुए ये सारे,

मन को लगते कितने प्यारे।
मधुर, सुगंधित, शीत हवाएं,
कानों में फुँकार सी जाएं,
अड़ियल तरुओं को भी हिलायें,
पर्ण-पुष्प की देह सहलाएं,
मन में शीतल हर्षोल्लास उबारें,
मन को लगते कितने प्यारे।



तुषार त्यागी
12th B

English Articles

'Peace is the only battle worth waging'

This quote by Albert Camus, surely shows us the reality of our society these days. Today, when wars are being waged on petty issues, number of genocide cases are going up rapidly. Violence for our own motherland is at such a high rate, only peace is a sure-shot solution. It is the only battle, which if fought by the majority of the population, will prove to be fruitful. Terrorism and warfare have detrimental impact on every sphere of life. On the economic front, the economy of a country collapses consequently. The physical, emotional and mental aspects of the common people are affected badly. It has long-term negative impacts on us, as well as, on our coming generations. Then, why is it so that the countries are still waging wars on the border? Why is it that majority of the news is about terrorism and fights on the border? Why aren't we taking any steps to call a halt to all wars? It is all because we are too busy in our lives, in solving our own problems and dealing with

local violence. We have to take a step forward. It is we who have to initialize this process. Many dominant countries have come together to fight for peace, and they are doing a good job of it. We should also try to establish peace around ourselves. Even Mahatma Gandhi fought for peace back in 1940's. He even said that – "Be the change you want to see in the world. If you want to bring peace in the world, bring it first in your mind, in your heart and then try to bring it in others."



Yash Kulshreshtha
IX D

Exams

A thing we hate the most
Are exams and its stress
History, Chemistry, Biology, Civics
All in mind a mess!
Ah ! History is so confusing
Not as easy as the name seems
Akbar, Brandis, George, Samin
Haunt us in our dreams !
Why is the Parliament formed?
Who is the King of Wales?
When Democritus named the atom?
When Columbus set his sails?
Oh ! Exams are on,
The preparation has to start
Every time with books in hand
To get the thing by – heart

Exams ! Exams ! Exams !
Why are you here?
We sacrifice our time for you
But you don't really care !
Exams ! Exams ! Exams !
It's not fair ! It's just not fair !

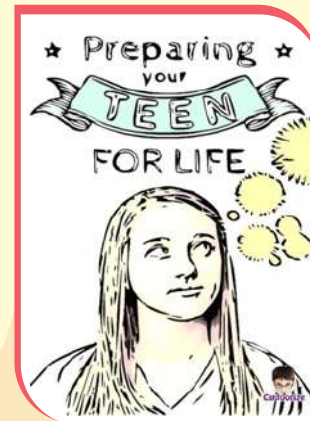


Aarushi Barthwal
XI D

Life of a Teenager

How tough is being a teenager
No one really knows.
The pressure that is upon us
Grows, grows and grows!
I want to be popular,
I want to be cool
But every time I try,
I end up as a fool!
Dad wants praises for me,
Mom wants good grades,
But as the time passes by,

Their confidence in me fades.
I want to be admired
For my work and my grace,
Be loved by everyone
For my sweet and kind face.
But what should I do?
From where should I start?
It's tough to be a teenager!
Life is not fair!
I wish I had someone
To ask for love and care.



Yachika
V-A

The Kashmir Conflict and Article 370

The Kashmir conflict is a territorial conflict between India and Pakistan, having started just after partition of India in 1947. Over the period of time, India and Pakistan have fought three wars over Kashmir while they have control over only two-third of the state which includes Jammu Kashmir valley, Ladakh and Siachin Glacier. The princely state of Jammu and Kashmir was formerly built by Maharaja Hari Singh under the paramountcy of British India. In geographical and legal terms, he could have joined either of the two new countries but he decided to stay independent. In October 1947, incursions by Pakistan took place leading to a war as a result of which the state of Jammu and Kashmir remains divided between India and Pakistan.

This gave birth to ARTICLE 370 of the Indian constitution. Jammu and Kashmir's original accession, like all other princely states was on three matters: Defence, Foreign Affairs and Communication. All the princely states were invited to send representatives to India's Constituent assembly, which was then formulating a constitution for the entire India.

In case of Kashmir, the representatives to the

constituent assembly requested that only those provisions of the Indian constitution that corresponded with the original instrument of accession by Maharaja Hari Singh should be applied to the state. Accordingly, the ARTICLE 370 was incorporated into the Indian constitution.

This was a temporary provision as its applicability was intended to last till the adoption of Jammu and Kashmir's constitution. However, the state's constituent assembly dissolved itself without recommending either abrogation or amendment of the ARTICLE 370. Thus ARTICLE 370 has become the permanent feature of the Indian constitution.



Tanish Matta
XII-C

Are we Really Free?

Are we really free?
Held in the clutches of poverty
Are we really free?
Surrounded by corruption and black money
Are we really free?
With our golden bird in the hands of politicians
And all over bribes and commission
As far as I (eye) could see
Are we really free???

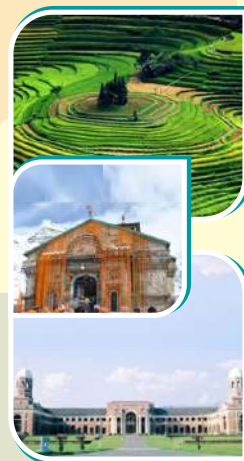


Aarushi Barthwal
XI-D

My Beautiful Uttarakhand



My beautiful Uttarakhand
Full of nature's lush green fund
Mountains, rivers, fertile fields
Fruits, vegetables, so many yields
Buransh Brahmkamel,
Monal Musk Deer
Give us a lot of pride and cheer
Humble honest our people are
Our brave sons win every war
May it shine like the sun
With the Nation, may it always run.



Vijaya Pratap Saini
III-B

Travelogue

Trip to God's own country- Kerala

One of the most beautiful states in our country is Kerala. Kerala is situated in the south-western region of India. A state filled with natural beauty, Kerala is also known as God's own country. I always wanted to visit South India. I had heard beautiful things about it. In winter vacation, we flew to Thiruvananthapuram and spent 3 nights there. We reached there in the afternoon. As half of the day had already passed, we were able to visit a beach-Sanghumukham. On the second day, we went to Poovar island. Poovar is a small

coastal fishing village. I was so thrilled to see the beauty of this backwater and pristine golden beaches. It was like we were roaming around in a foreign country. It was an amazing experience. On the third day, we went to Padmanabhaswamy Temple. This temple is a blend of the Kerala and Dravidian styles of culture. All men and women had to wear dhoti before entering the temple. Then we went to Cochin – Queen of Arabian Sea and spent two nights there. On the first day, we went for a cruise. On that cruise, we visited many sights such as – Mattancherry Palace, Santa Cruz Cathedral, Hill

Palace, etc. Then at night we roamed in the marine drive. Marine drive is a famous market beside the sea. On the second day, we visited Lulu mall, the largest mall of India. Then we went to Cherai beach. It was a beautiful 10km long beach. I enjoyed a lot during this trip. I will never forget these memorable moments spent in Kerala!



Arpita Panigrahi
IX-C

Talent Unlimited

Arunima Singh carving a bathing bar into a beautiful shape. She is a student of class X-A and has been pursuing this hobby for past 2 years.

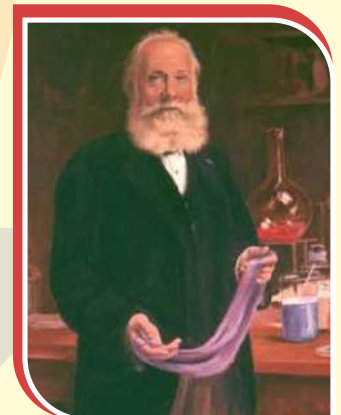


Science Section

Serendipity

An idea can change your life. We all eagerly wait for one wonderful idea which would prove to be our gateway to excellence. Let us see how ideas from our surroundings and day-to-day observations have become big, though they had a small and simple origin.

18-years-old William Henry Perkin (an English Chemist) was trying to synthesise the anti-malarial drug. His experiment produced a thick black substance. While trying to clean out his flask, Perkin discovered that some components of the black substance dissolved in alcohol to give a purple-coloured solution which proved to be an effective dye for silk and other textiles. In this way, he discovered the first-ever synthetic dye.



Xiao Nan-robot Journalist

Xiao Nan, a robot journalist for the first time wrote a 300-word article in just a second for a Chinese daily newspaper on 19th January, 2017. Xiao Nan is capable of writing both short as well as long articles. It has a stronger data analysis capacity and is quicker at writing stories when compared with the staff reporters. Presently, robots are still unable to carry out face-to-face interviews.

Robotic Heart

A team researchers from Harvard University developed a soft robot that fits around the heart and helps it beat, opening a new treatment options for people suffering from a heart failure. The soft robotic sleeve twists and compresses in sync with a beating heart strengthening cardiovascular functions.



Words of Wisdom

Education is a 'womb to tomb' process

My teaching experience has been incredible & I think I have learned a lot along with my students during this time. Seven years back when I stepped in this school, I never thought that teaching would not only help the students to build their character but also it will help me to grow as a person. Each day is a new beginning, to grow, to learn, to explore, and to inculcate the best from each individual. While teaching, I try to devise a way to give the students an urgent reason to learn skills. Whenever I teach a child, I feel as if I am contributing something for the society. It is no exaggeration to say

that teaching can be one of the most rewarding field. I hereby feel proud to be a member of this Montfortian family and with the help of the management and staff, I shall strive to make the world a better place to live in by becoming an awakener, not merely a teacher.



Mrs. Jyotsna Prabhakar
PRT

Achieve your Goals

With your entire focus on your goal you will reach levels of achievements that you never thought possible, and people who achieve their goals do so with passion, planning, persistence and purpose. So arise, awake and stop not till the desired end is reached. Eliminate the smog of ignorance and light the lamp of awareness by excelling in each and every step you take. Activate your potentials as the future needs leaders and thinkers who can work amidst different geographies in a global mindset. If opportunity doesn't knock, build a door. Obtain the skill, courage and network that empower your prosperity. Go out and challenge

yourself and spark off your full potential to be a social reformer, an entrepreneur or a leader. The opportunities are immense once you start exploring them with fullest zeal. We all have a tremendous capacity for outstanding achievements. Believe in yourself! It always seems impossible till you do it. Have faith in your abilities! Know your goals and get them.



Mrs. Meenakshi Manhas
TGT

Montfort School : A Blessing

The name MONTFORT itself, is a blessing for all, be it teachers, students, or non-teaching staff. All come to this world of Montfort to fulfill our duty religiously. Here we all stand united to carry out our duty as a mission. The teachers are blessed to have a well-experienced personality heading the institution, whose dynamic leadership and able guidance from time to time has filled each one with a positive energy to accomplish the mission of giving our best to the students. This enables them to shine and have a bright future. Personally, I

have been able to impart knowledge to the best of my ability.

Being a member of the Montfortian family, I have learnt a lot, both at the personal as well as professional level, which has made my teaching more effective. I feel proud to be part of this institution.



Mrs. Molly Adrina
TGT

Essay Writing Contest

Montfort School, Roorkee, had organised an Essay Writing contest in English on the topic 'The type of world we want by 2030'. The last date for submitting the essay was March 31, 2017. The contest was open to all including students, parents and well-wishers. The prizes were announced on May 20, 2017. An amount of Rs. 500 was awarded to Rudra Pratap Singh of class VII C as the Third prize. Rs. 750 were awarded to Ghazi Umair Afroz of class UKG-A as the Second prize. Sambhav singhal of class VI B was adjudged the First prize winner of the contest and was given Rs. 1000 as the cash prize. The prizes were given away by Rev. Brother Jose Thottiyil. Following is the first prize winning essay by Sambhav Singhal-

“By 2030, the world will be without racism, poverty, hunger and war”.

There are endless changes we want to witness by the year 2030. The question is not if we can bring the change but what is to bring that change. The moment is now for all of us to get on board and do our bit to make that difference and achieve the desired goals.

Like every individual, I have my set of expectations from the future world. I hope to not witness any conflict between environmental, social and economic issues as we have this one planet and all these three aspects must work hand in hand creatively and powerfully to bring the change. I wish to live in a world where everyone can have access to clean water and basic sanitation. A world of peace and love that celebrated the differences of ethnicity, religions and races in the difference between rich and poor is completely eradicated. A world where women are treated with utmost respect and the future generation does not get to hear the term sexual violence. A world where the media and news channels no longer have to focus on corruption, crime, violence and rapes. A world where humanity becomes a priority. A world that regulates only on green-renewable energy and operates with numerous green spaces, sophisticated public transportation, producing less waste, making the environment friendly. By 2030, I hope we can eat anything without falling sick, socialize without fear and travel without a passport. I want to witness a world that is led by exceptionally great governance and omits illiteracy in every state of the world. I wish to live in a world that had no reason left to draw riots, dharnas or lead a candle march, “Coming together is a beginning, keeping together is progress and working together is success”. As the law of attraction says, whatever you think, your actions are motivated to execute the thoughts. Think right and see the world fall in place.



Sambhav Singhal
VI-B



Urjit Vashisht
V-E



Jinesh Kumar Mahapatra
V-B



Pragya Agarwal
IV-C



Ishan Bhardwaj
V-B



Diwish
VII-D



Aadrika Saini
III-E



Anjali Singh
V-D



Sumedha Dutta
V-B



Jinesh Kumar Mahapatra
V-B



Anshika Dhiman
IV-A

