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### Value of the Month

आत्मनः प्रतिकूलानि परेषां न समाचरेत्। एषः संक्षेपतो धर्मः कामादान्यः प्रवर्तते॥

यह श्लोक यह कहता है कि हमें हर समय दूसरों की भावनाओं और इच्छाओं का ध्यान रखना चाहिए। अगर कोई बात या व्यवहार हमें खुद के लिए कष्टकारी या असुविधाजनक लगे, तो हमें समझना चाहिए कि वही दूसरों के लिए भी अप्रिय हो सकता है। इस दृष्टिकोण से, श्लोक हमें एक ऐसी मानसिकता अपनाने के लिए प्रेरित करता है जो सहानुभूति और समझ पर आधारित हो। यह धर्म और नैतिकता का मूलभूत सिद्धांत है, जिससे सभी अन्य नैतिक और सामाजिक नियम विकसित होते हैं।

"One should not do to others what is unpleasant to oneself.
This, in brief, is the essence of dharma; everything else is derived from it."



Dear Readers,

At Gateway International School, we focus on building a compassionate community. December month the school celebrated empathy and sympathy. All the students were encouraged to practice these values in their daily interactions, helping others to understand and share the feelings of others in an age. Marked by division and discord the concept of empathy and sympathy have never been more crucial, while both terms are often used interchangeably. They represent distinct emotional responses that can shape are interactions. And understanding of one another as we navigate the complexities of modern life. It is essential to recognise the transformative power of empathy and sympathy and at GIS we strive to cultivate the same. Empathy, by nurturing our own empathy, we become better equipped to extend it to others. In conclusion, I would like to state while sympathy may offer a fleeting sense of connection. It is empathy that has the power to transform our relationships and our world. Let us listen more, Judge less and strive to understand the experiences of others. In doing so, we can bridge the divides that separate us. And create a more compassionate inclusive and understanding the world. This monthly magazine showcases the activities and the creative writing put up by our budding talents.

Happy Reading !!

Ms. Bobby Sharma

(Chief Editor)



### The Annual Function

The Annual Function of Gateway International School was held with great enthusiasm and grandeur on 14 Dec'24. The event was graced by the presence of Shre Budheshwar Mahadev Peeth Peethadheeswar Parmahans ji Yogi Shree Rajkumar ji Maharaj and Guest of Honour Bal Vidushi Devi Krishna Kishori, Shri HariPrakash Mangla, Rakesh Aggarwal, and Dr. Amik Garg, esteemed parents, and other distinguished dignitaries, along with the students, teachers, and staff members. The theme of the event, "Humare Ram," beautifully highlighted the eternal values of Lord Ram-truth, righteousness, and compassion—and their relevance in our everyday lives. The program commenced with the lighting of the ceremonial lamp by the Chief Guest, accompanied by a soulful rendition of "Saraswati Vandana". Mr. Prem Kumar Ojha, Principal GIS accorded a formal welcome to all the guests and presented the school's Annual Report which is a reflection of the school's incredible achievements and vision. He also shared insights about the significance of the theme, emphasizing that the values of Lord Ram reside within each individual and inspire us to lead lives of virtue and harmony. School's major highlights were shared by Ms. Rimpy Verma, Vice principal GIS with outgoing HeadBoy & HeadGirl. The cultural extravaganza unfolded with a series of mesmerizing performances by the students from Grades III-XII. The play beautifully depicted qualities of Lord Ram, the devotion of Hanuman, and how those values have been surpassed in today's youth. Through creative storytelling, it conveyed how these lessons apply to our lives today. The dance performances showcased vibrant energy and artistic brilliance, leaving the audience spellbound. The school choir's melodious performance of 'Ram Stuti' with 108 students had set the atmosphere of peace and divinity to the event. Devi Chitralekhaji, Mr. Jagdish Mittal and Lok Sabha, Speaker Mr. Om Birlaji had sent their wishes and blessings. The Chief Guest lauded the efforts of the students and staff for presenting such a meaningful and thought-provoking theme. He encouraged everyone to embrace the essence of Lord Ram's teachings in their personal and social lives. The program concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks by Executive Director Mr. Rahul Mangla, followed by the National Anthem. The event left a profound impact on the audience, inspiring everyone to reflect on the message that "Ram resides in the goodness within you and me." It was indeed a memorable celebration that not only showcased the talents of the students but also instilled moral values and a sense of unity among all.



### CELEBRATING AYURVEDA

Understanding the essence of Ayurveda, the ancient science of holistic healing, is more relevant than ever in today's fast-paced world. To promote health and well-being, Gateway International School hosted a Free Advanced Ayurveda Camp in collaboration with Kbir Wellness on Friday, November 20, 2024. Renowned for their expertise in Naadi Parikshan (pulse diagnosis) and authentic Ayurvedic treatments, Kbir Wellness provided free consultations, therapies, and guidance to our staff. The camp offered:

Naabhi setting and dharan therapies for digestive health, Pressure and puncture therapy for pain relief, Personalized diet and lifestyle advice rooted in Ayurvedic principles. This initiative highlighted the importance of natural healing and preventive care in addressing lifestyle diseases.









### Honouring the Spirit of Sacrifice Shaheedi Week at School

To honour the courage and sacrifice of the Char Sahibzaade, students of classes VI to VIII participated in a heartfelt awareness procession on the occasion of Veer Baal Diwas. The day began with an inspiring address by our esteemed Principal, Mr. Prem Kumar Ojha and Vice Principal, Ms. Rimpy Verma, who motivated the students with their words of wisdom and set the tone for a meaningful event. Marching from the school to the Sector-15 market, the students shared the inspirational story of the Sahibzaadas, reciting their learnings and spreading the values of bravery, sacrifice, and devotion. Their efforts resonated with everyone who witnessed the procession, creating a ripple of awareness and respect for this significant historical legacy. The event was supported by the Sonipat Police, who ensured seamless security and safety throughout the march. The energy, enthusiasm, and dedication of our students reflected their deep reverence for the Sahibzadaas, leaving a lasting impression on the local community. This initiative not only paid homage to the Char Sahibzaade but also reinforced the timeless teachings of faith, courage, and righteousness among all present. It was a proud moment for the school and a meaningful tribute to an extraordinary legacy.

From December 20 to December 27, 2024, we solemnly observed Saheedi Week, paying heartfelt tribute to the unparalleled sacrifice of Guru Gobind Singh Ji's family, the tenth Sikh Guru, who stood resolutely for the Sikh faith during an era of immense oppression. A special assembly conducted by Grade: VI-XII students marked the occasion, inspiring students with the timeless values of determination, dedication, bravery, and courage embodied by the Four Sahibzaade. The event was graced by our esteemed guests, Bibi Rajinder Kaur and Bibi Amandeep Kaur, who deeply moved everyone by sharing the story of the Sahibzade's heroic sacrifice and leading the recitation of Shabad Gurbani, creating an atmosphere of spiritual reflection. Our heartfelt gratitude to Ms. Aarti Malhotra and Ms. Preet for their illuminating insights, and to Ms. Deepti Arora, whose visionary leadership brought this meaningful assembly to life. Principal Mr. Prem Kumar Ojha honoured our special guests and encouraged students to embrace the values and teachings drawn from this monumental sacrifice in Sikh history. This week served as a profound reminder of the power of unwavering faith, the spirit of selflessness, and the courage to stand for righteousness.









# Chirtmas Celebration

The Christmas celebration was a joyful and festive event. The entire school was beautifully decorated with Christmas trees, lights, and ornaments, creating a cheerful atmosphere. Students, teachers, and staff actively participated in the event, making it a memorable occasion. The celebration began with a special morning assembly where students presented Christmas carols, poems, and a short skit depicting the birth of Jesus Christ. The school choir performed melodious carols, spreading the spirit of love and joy.

A highlight of the event was the arrival of Santa Claus, who distributed sweets and gifts to the students, bringing smiles to their faces.











# PRE-PRIMARY WING ACTIVITIES



### Assembly-Winter Season

On 2 December 2024, Monday, the chill of winters came alive as cool breezes, frosty mornings, snowy peaks and cozy delights set the perfect stage for our Winter Season Vocabulary Assembly! The little ones in Pre-Primary were excited to explore and learn the vocabulary associated with Winter Season like snowman, scarf, mittens, ice, frost and chilly weather, along with fascinating terms like glacier, igloo, polar bear, and snowflakes. It was a day full of smiles, learning and seasonal cheer, with our young learners eagerly embracing the magic of winter!



### **Unlimited Spark**



On 3 December 2024, our Pre-Primary students embarked on an exciting journey of exploring the world of 'Hot and Cold' through an engaging Thermic Sense Activity. They experienced the chilly winter breeze outdoors and the cozy warmth of hot food in the mess. The learning continued as they eagerly identified hot and cold items through a fun filled, hands-on touchand-feel setup. It was a day full of curiosity, discovery, and sensory delight for our little explorers!

# Assembly on Empathy & Sympathy

On 9 December 2024, our little stars of Pre Primary lit up the stage, spreading the message of empathy and sympathy! Through touching role plays, they beautifully highlighted the love and care for animals, birds and for their family and friends, celebrating the bonds that matter the most. They also portrayed acts of compassion for strangers and animals, reminding us that kindness has no boundaries.



### Feeding Birds Activity



On 10 December 2024, our compassionate Pre-Primary students came together in the pottery lab to craft beautiful bird feeders, filled with love and empathy for our feathered friends. They thoughtfully placed the feeders around the campus, ensuring easy access for the birds to enjoy. It was a day filled with kindness in action, as our little conservationists took a step towards caring for nature.

### Life Skills- Learning Shoe Polishing

Shine Bright, Step Right! On 16 December 2024, our young ones of Pre Primary learned that the art of shoe polishing is more than just a skill not only it's a pathway to independence but it also instills in them a sense of responsibility and pride in their work. Every polished shoe reflects their growing confidence!



### Christmas Tree Decoration



Christmas Week at GIS is filled with joy and creativity! Pre-Primary students are crafting Santa Claus, decorating Christmas trees and exploring a chocolate wonderland by baking and decorating cakes.

### Brown Colour Day Activity- Cake Baking

On 20 December 2024, our Pre-Primary students stepped into a chocolate wonderland, exploring shades of brown with a sprinkle of creativity. The day concluded on a sweet note as our little chefs happily baked and decorated a scrumptious cake together.



### Little Explorers



On 26 December 2024, our little explorers became secret agents, drawing secret drawings that only appeared with a little heat. It was all about creativity, curiosity, and a sprinkle of science magic that science brings...

### Story Telling

On 27 December 2024, our little storytellers of Pre Primary Wing took the stage on fire with confidence, bringing the forest to life! Using creative props and adorable costumes, they delivered captivating stories of incredible woods that left everyone enchanted. A truly engaging session!



### Yoga Activity



Physical activity is the key to staying healthy. To promote healthy habits among our students of Pre Primary Wing, the school is encouraging them to indulge in Yoga and PT exercises during their PHE periods. Here's a glimpse of our students enjoying fitness activities with immense joy!

### Empty & Full Glass Challenge

Ruby grade students of our Pre-Primary wing had a blast racing to fill their glasses with sand! Tiny hands worked with excitement, cheered on by their classmates, spreading joy and teamwork all around. Fun was the true winner today!



### Assembly on Christmas



On December 24, the students of Grade Pre-Primary to II were filled with festive cheer as they gathered for a heartwarming Christmas Assembly. The programme began with a delightful Christmas dance, followed by a beautiful retelling of the Nativity story, reiterating the true spirit of Christmas-hope, love, and light. Students sang melodious Christmas carols, filling the air with joy and festive spirit. The event concluded with an engaging discussion with our Vice Principal Ma'am, where curious students asked insightful questions about the festival, its traditions, and its significance. The interaction deepened their understanding of the joyous occasion and its message of spreading kindness and love. The diligent efforts of the students and teachers alike brought the magic of Christmas to life!

### Sight words- Reading Activity

The kids of Diamond Class enthusiastically participated in a fun sight word reading activity, building a strong foundation for reading. Sight words are high-frequency words that children learn to recognize instantly, improving in fluency, comprehension, and confidence. Engaging methods like flashcards, matching games, and sentence-building exercises make learning enjoyable. Since sight words often defy phonetic rules, repetition and practice are essential. Integrating them into their daily routine, such as story time or conversations, helps reinforce learning, paving the way for advanced reading skills.



### व्यंजन – त



बच्चों को "त" व्यंजन और उसकी ध्विन से रूबरू कराने के लिए हम उनको पार्क में लेकर गए वहाँ हमने घोड़े की चाल चल कर बताई और बच्चों ने भी तबडक तबडक बोलकर उसका अनुसरण करके "त" व्यंजन की पहचान की और रेत में उसको बनाने का प्रयास किया। और बच्चों ने वहाँ से पत्ता दिखाकर उसमे भी "त" व्यंजन को पहचान कर बताया।

### Phonics and Word Building Fun

Today, our little learners took on a creative phonics challenge! They observed picture and used flashcards to build CVC (Consonant-Vowel-Consonant) words. This hands-on activity helped them connect different sounds with letters, improving their word-building skills and boosting their confidence.

Learning through play is always rewarding!



### Jelly Making



Pearl class kids created colourful, wiggly jellies and enjoyed feeling their soft texture, making learning both exciting and engaging!

### Hindi Reading

यह गतिविधि बच्चों के लिए बहुत प्रभावी एवं रोचक रही। इसमें उन्होंने स्वर और व्यंजन विधि के आधार पर नए शब्द बनाकर अपनी भाषा सीखने की क्षमता में सुधार किया। बच्चों ने खेल-खेल में रंग-बिरंगे कार्डों पर लिखे हिंदी अक्षरों के माध्यम से अपनी पहचान और संयोजन क्षमता को बढ़ाया। इस प्रक्रिया ने उनके ध्यान और सोचने की क्षमता को भी प्रोत्साहित किया।

शिक्षकों ने इस गतिविधि में सक्रिय रूप से भाग लिया और बच्चों को शब्दों को सही ढंग से बनाने का उदाहरण दिया। उन्होंने बच्चों के प्रयास की सराहना की, जिससे बच्चों का आत्मविश्वास भी बढ़ा। ऐसी गतिविधियाँ बच्चों के लिए न केवल शैक्षिक बल्कि मनोरंजन का भी अच्छा स्रोत साबित होती हैं। इससे बच्चों की हिंदी में रुचि और आनंद के साथ-साथ भाषा के विभिन्न पहलुओं को समझने की क्षमता भी बढ़ती है।



### New Year Party



Pre primary students welcome new year with full enthusiasm. They played games, dance and share food with their loved ones.

## PRIMARY WING ACTIVITIES



### Experiential Learning: Exploring Time

On December 3, 2024, Grade II students explored the concept of time through some colourful, self-made models of a clock. They confidently learned to display time on the clock independently. The activity was filled with excitement as the children enthusiastically engaged themselves, encouraging each other to show different timings on their clocks.



### वचन बदलो गतिविधि



आज 3 दिसम्बर , 2024 हमारी कक्षा 1 के नन्हे-मुन्ने बच्चों ने वचन बदलो गितविधि के ज़िरए हिंदी व्याकरण के एक महत्वपूर्ण विषय एकवचन और बहुवचन को बड़े ही मज़ेदार और रोचक तरीके से सीखा। इस गितविधि में बच्चों ने असली वस्तुओं जैसे - िकताब, पेंसिल, और फलों (सेब, केला) के साथ खेलते हुए यह जाना कि कैसे "िकताब" एकवचन है और "िकताबें" बहुवचन। इसी तरह "पेंसिल" से "पेंसिलें" और "केला " से "केले " बनते हैं। बच्चे उत्साह से भर गए जब उन्होंने अपने हाथों में वस्तुएँ पकड़कर उनके वचन बदले। उन्होंने कक्षा के आसपास की चीज़ों पर भी प्रयोग िकया और "एक पत्ता" को "कई पत्ते" बनाकर दिखाया। गितविधि ने न केवल उनकी समझ को मजबूत किया बल्कि खेल-खेल में उनकी भागीदारी भी बढ़ाई। इस तरह की गितविधियाँ बच्चों को भाषा समझने और उन्हें रोज़मर्रा की चीज़ों से जोड़ने में मदद करती हैं। यह सीखने को मज़ेदार और यादगार बनाता है।

### Show & Tell My Favourite Transport

On December 5, 2024, our Grade II students amazed us with their creativity and confidence during the Show and Tell activity on "My Favourite Transport." Whether it was cars, airplanes, trains, or ships, each child brought something unique—be it a model, a drawing, or just an interesting fact—to share why it's their favourite transport and how is to useful to mankind.





### Show & Tell My Favourite Season



On December 5, 2024, our Grade I classrooms buzzed with creativity and excitement as students participated in the Show and Tell activity themed "My Favourite Season". It was heartwarming to watch each child share their love for a season—be it the sunny days of summer, the cozy chill of winter, the vibrant colours of spring, or the golden charm of autumn. Their confidence and creativity were on full display as they spoke with enthusiasm and joy, creating a lively and unforgettable experience for everyone.

### Session on Positive Behaviour & Soft Skills

On December 6, 2024 (Friday), our Grade I and II students had a wonderful session on Positive Behaviour and Soft Skills. The students learned how to be kind, work together, and communicate with the right body language and confidence. They also discovered how a positive attitude helps them in school and with friends. Through fun activities and games, they learned some important skills that will help them grow and be great friends and classmates!





# Experiential Learning Preposition



On Tuesday, December 10, 2024, our Grade II students brought prepositions to life through an exciting activity! They demonstrated positions like "on", "under", "behind", "in", "near", "and", "between" by acting them out in class. This interactive session made learning grammar fun, boosting their understanding and confidence.

### Life Skill - Covering your Notebook

Teaching life skills in fun and engaging ways is an integral part of learning! On December 12, 2024 our Grade I & II students participated in the Covering Your Notebook Activity, where they were guided on how to neatly cover their notebooks. This activity not only taught them an essential organizational skill but also encouraged them to take responsibility for their belongings. With step-by-step guidance, the little learners explored creativity by personalizing their notebook covers. Their enthusiasm and efforts were truly inspiring, as they proudly showcased their beautifully covered notebooks.



### Role play & Discussion on Empathy & Sympathy



Our students brought to stage a meaningful role play on Empathy and Sympathy during their special assembly on December 17, 24. Through some engaging performances, they showcased the difference between these two important qualities and how they shape our relationships with others. Following the presentation, the teacher led a thoughtful discussion with the students, helping them understand the value of truly connecting with others & feelings and offering support in kind and compassionate ways.

### Fun with "pl" sound words

On Tuesday, December 17, 2024, our Grade I students had a wonderful time exploring "pl" sound words through a fun activity. Each child showcased an object whose name started with "pl" like a plane or a plant, and shared interesting facts about it. This hands-on activity helped them revise the digraph 'pl' thoroughly.



### Decorating a Christmas Tree, Santa Claus



On December 20, our Grade I and II students celebrated the festive spirit with a fun-filled CCA activity. Little hands got creative as they decorated Christmas trees, Santa Claus, bells, and stockings with joy and enthusiasm. The vibrant decorations and happy faces truly brought the magic of Christmas alive, spreading cheer and excitement all around.

### Visit To Church

While learning and exploring about different Festivals celebrated in India , our Grade I students visited a nearby church on 20 December 2024, to revel in the spirit of the festival 'Christmas'. They enjoyed seeing the beautiful and sparkling decorations, singing the lovely carols and listening to the wonderful stories of Lord Jesus, while understanding the values of love, kindness, and togetherness. The excitement of Santa Claus visiting their homes and giving them gifts could be seen on their beaming faces. It was a memorable experience that helped them appreciate the essence of the festival.



### Special Assembly - Christmas



On December 24, the students of Grade Pre-Primary to II were filled with festive cheer as they gathered for a heartwarming Christmas Assembly. The programme began with a delightful Christmas dance, followed by a beautiful retelling of the Nativity story, reiterating the true spirit of Christmas-hope, love, and light. Students sang melodious Christmas carols, filling the air with joy and festive spirit. The event concluded with an engaging discussion with our Vice Principal Ma'am, where curious students asked insightful questions about the festival, its traditions, and its significance. The interaction deepened their understanding of the joyous occasion and its message of spreading kindness and love. The diligent efforts of the students and teachers alike brought the magic of Christmas to life!

### Feeding Cows in Gaushala

On 26 December,2024 Grade I and II students went on a heart-warming visit to the local Gaushala, where they learned about caring for animals, feeding and nurturing them. The children enjoyed feeding the cows with green fodder and jaggery and listened to an insightful talk by the caretaker about their daily routine and care. The visit instilled compassion and responsibility in the students, making it a memorable and enriching experience for all.



### Exploring School Garden



On 26 December,2024 the children of Grade I were excited to learn about different plants and flowers. They had the opportunity to visit both the plant nursery and school garden where they were able to explore and learn about different aspects of the educational environment. The garden also taught them about the importance of taking care of nature and how small seeds can turn into big plants with love and patience. Our young explorers loved picking fresh flowers and learning about the buzzing bees and fluttering butterflies that help the plants grow. It was a funfilled day full of hands-on learning and outdoor adventure.

### Assembly on Languages

On Friday 27, 2024 our students of Grade I & II celebrated the beauty of multilingualism in a special Language Assembly today! They learned to speak the names of their classroom objects in English, Hindi, and Sanskrit, showcasing the importance of learning and preserving languages. The assembly included a thought of the day and news presentation in Hindi, reflecting cultural pride and fluency. To make it even more special, students introduced themselves in Sanskrit, adding a traditional touch to their learning journey. The assembly concluded on a patriotic note with the National Anthem, leaving everyone inspired and proud. A wonderful initiative to nurture linguistic skills and cultural values in our students! Learning through play is always rewarding!



### Open Book Assessment A Step Towards Critical Thinking



Students of Grade V participated in an Open Book Assessment, an innovative approach to learning that goes beyond rote memorization. This method encouraged the students to analyze, think critically, and apply knowledge rather than simply recall facts. At GIS, we believe in nurturing curious minds and empowering students to become independent thinkers.

### Robotics Activity: Creativity with Balloon Robots

Our young innovators from Grade V took a giant leap into the world of robotics by crafting their own balloon robots using simple materials like balloons, straws, paper cups, and other waste items. This hands-on activity sparked joy and ignited their imaginations, teaching them that creativity and innovation are the true building blocks of the future.



### Exploring Rotational Symmetry with Creativity and Fun



Our Grade V students recently embarked on a fascinating journey into the world of rotational symmetry, combining hands-on learning with artistic expression. To bring the concept to life, they created their very own pinwheels, a perfect example of symmetry in motion!

### डायरी लेखन

डायरी लिखना एक कला है। डायरी एक दोस्त की तरह है, जिसमें हम अपने अच्छे-बुरे अनुभव, विचार, राय और काम से जुड़ी निजी बातों को बेझिझक बयान कर सकते हैं। कक्षा 3 के शिक्षार्थियों ने विद्या की डायरी कहानी से प्रेरित होकर इसे अपने जीवन का हिस्सा बनाने का प्रयास किया। शिक्षार्थियों ने अपने जीवन में घटित घटनाओं को बहुत ही खूबसूरत तरीके से कागज़ पर अभिव्यक्ति किया। गतिविधि के दौरान उस समय और परिवेश में जाने की कल्पना बहुत मज़ेदार और रोमांचक थी। साथ ही, एक दूसरे के साथ अपनी दिलचस्प लेखन को साझा करना भी महत्वपूर्ण साबित हुआ। आइए देखते हैं डायरी लेखन की कुछ बेहतरीन दृश्य



### Story Writing and Book-Making Activity



Class V students took part in an engaging Story Writing and Book-Making Activity aimed at fostering creativity and imagination. Each student wrote a story, focusing on developing characters and a meaningful storyline. They then designed unique covers, added illustrations, and compiled their stories into colourful handmade books.

### Christmas Cheer on No Bag Day

Classes III to V celebrated a magical No Bag Day with the joyous theme -Christmas! The classrooms came alive with the vibrant decorations crafted by the students during an exciting Christmas craft activity session. An interactive storytelling session saw everyone engrossed as both the teachers and students shared stories about Jesus Christ, Santa Claus and Christmas Eve, using some creative props. The festive spirit soared high during the unique jam session, where the students sang carols with the rhythmic beats produced by different utensils.



### नाट्य प्रस्तुति - "सहानुभूति और सहभावना"



दिनांक 19 दिसंबर 2024, गुरुवार को विद्यालय प्रांगण में हुई प्रार्थना सभा का मुख्य विषय था "सहानुभूति और सहभावना।" इस विशेष अवसर पर एक प्रेरणादायक नाट्य प्रस्तुति के माध्यम से इन दोनों महत्वपूर्ण गुणों के बीच के अंतर को स्पष्ट किया गया। नाटक में दिखाया गया कि सहानुभूति (Sympathy) वह भावना है, जो हमें दूसरों के दुख को देखकर उनके प्रति करुणा और संवेदना महसूस करने के लिए प्रेरित करती है। वहीं, सहभावना (Empathy) वह शक्ति है, जो हमें दूसरों की स्थिति को समझने और उनके स्थान पर खुद को रखकर उनकी भावनाओं को अनुभव करने में सक्षम बनाती है।

### Social Studies Unplugged

Indigenous games like Kho-Kho, Kabaddi, Lagori, and Gilli Danda are an important part of India's cultural heritage. Recently, grade IV students learned about these games in their Social Science unit on "Play". The activity highlighted teamwork, sportsmanship, and physical development. It was a great experience that integrated sports with Social Science.



### Quality Circle Time- Teamwork in Action



Our energetic Class III students had an exciting time participating in the QCT (Quality Circle Time) Hula Hoop Challenge. The task was simple yet thrilling –to pass a hula hoop through the circle without touching it. This engaging activity tested their teamwork, coordination, and problem-solving skills, all while having loads of fun.



### Math-a-Magic Challenge

The much-awaited Inter-House Mathematics Quiz for Grade: VI-VIII was held recently, and it was a fantastic display of talent, logical reasoning, and quick thinking! Students showcased their problem-solving skills and participated with great enthusiasm, making the event both competitive and fun! After an intense battle of wits, Varun House emerged as the Winner! Congratulations to all the participants for their excellent performance, and a special shout-out to Varun House for their victory!

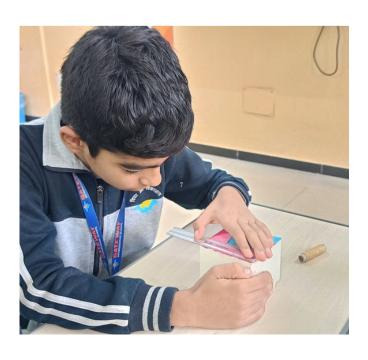
What a fantastic way to celebrate mathematics and the power of logical reasoning!







### Spark of Science



As a part of our Science Multiple Assessment, students of Grade-VI participated in a hands-on activity to measure given objects and a curved line using the most appropriate methods. Students employed various measurement techniques, such as using rulers, measuring tapes, etc. to accurately measure the lengths of different objects. To measure the curved line, students utilized flexible strings to determine its length. Through this activity, students demonstrated their understanding of measurement concepts and developed their problem-solving skills. They also learned to choose the most suitable method for measuring different types of objects and lines.

### भाषा रचना उत्सव

कक्षा छठी के विद्यार्थियों के लिए विषय संवर्धन गतिविधि के अंतर्गत मॉडल प्रस्तुतीकरण के लिए सूचनाएं दी गई। कक्षा को तीन समूहों में विभाजित करके अलग-अलग विषयों पर परियोजना कार्य दिया गया। विद्यार्थियों ने अपनी रचनात्मकता और क्रियात्मकता के आधार पर मॉडल बनाएं और इसका प्रस्तुतिकरण किया। अन्य समूहों के विद्यार्थियों ने उस मॉडल और विषय के आधार पर प्रश्न पूछे जिनका जवाब प्रत्येक समूह के विद्यार्थियों ने दिया। गतिविधि अलग-अलग चरणों में आयोजित की गई। सर्वप्रथम विद्यार्थियों ने अपने विषय के प्रति चर्चा- परिचर्चा के आधार पर आवश्यक सामग्री और विषय के अनुसार आवश्यक जानकारी एकत्रित की जिससे उनमें अनुमान और जागरूकता का संचार हुआ। इस प्रकार की गतिविधियां विद्यार्थियों में विषय के प्रति रुचि और समझ का विकास करती है।



### Word Wizardry Quest



Grade VII students participated in an SEA activity centered around Ira Singhal, an inspirational UPSC topper. Despite being differently-abled, Ira has broken barriers and set an example of perseverance and determination. Students expressed their admiration for her achievements and penned down how she has motivated them to aim high in life. They reflected on the lessons of resilience, self-belief, and hard work that they learned from her journey and discussed ways to apply these values in their own lives to achieve their goals. This activity instilled a sense of purpose and determination among the students.

### Social Sphere Quest

Our Grade VII students participated in an engaging Subject Enrichment Activity that brought real-world learning into focus. They were tasked with exploring different types of markets—be it local, virtual, or specialized. From bustling bazaars to online platforms, students delved into their chosen market, observing its features, interactions, and dynamics. Following their exploration, they shared their experiences through reflective write-ups, showcasing their observations, creativity, and understanding. The activity not only enhanced their knowledge of markets but also fostered critical thinking and communication skills. Kudos to our young explorers for their enthusiastic participation and insightful reflections!



### हिंदी ओलंपियाड 2024: भाषा और संस्कृति का उत्सव



हमें यह बताते हुए अत्यंत हर्ष हो रहा है कि हिंदी ओलंपियाड 2024 का सफल आयोजन 20 दिसंबर 2024 को गेटवे इंटरनेशनल स्कूल में किया गया। इस प्रतियोगिता में विभिन्न कक्षाओं के विद्यार्थियों ने उत्साहपूर्वक भाग लिया और अपनी भाषा कौशल तथा हिंदी विषय पर गहरी पकड का परिचय दिया।

इस ओलंपियाड का मुख्य उद्देश्य विद्यार्थियों में हिंदी भाषा और संस्कृति के प्रति प्रेम उत्पन्न करना तथा उन्हें शैक्षणिक उत्कृष्टता के लिए प्रेरित करना था। प्रतियोगिता में विद्यार्थियों ने न केवल अपनी ज्ञान-साधना और रचनात्मकता का परिचय दिया, बल्कि भाषा के प्रति अपनी निष्ठा और समर्पण भी दिखाया।

हम सभी प्रतिभागियों को उनकी मेहनत और समर्पण के लिए हार्दिक बधाई देते हैं। इस प्रतियोगिता ने यह सिद्ध कर दिया कि भविष्य की पीढ़ी हिंदी भाषा को संजोए रखने के लिए पूरी तरह तत्पर है। हम आशा करते हैं कि विद्यार्थी आगे भी इसी तरह हिंदी भाषा के प्रचार-प्रसार में योगदान देते रहेंगे।

गेटवे इंटरनेशनल स्कूल हिंदी भाषा के उत्थान के लिए सदैव प्रयासरत रहेगा और इस प्रकार की शैक्षिक गतिविधियों का आयोजन करता रहेगा।

जय हिंदी! जय भारत!

### Assessment Without Invigilator



During Cyclic Test 4 (CT-4), we took a progressive step by conducting an assessment without an invigilator. This unique approach aimed to foster a sense of honesty, self-discipline, and responsibility among our students. We are proud to share that our students embraced this challenge with integrity, demonstrating the core values of trust and accountability. Such initiatives are part of our continuous efforts to nurture ethical and independent individuals prepared for future challenges. Kudos to our young learners for upholding the spirit of fairness and excellence!

# SENIOR WING ACTIVITIES



### Honouring the Spirit of Sacrifice Saheedi Week at school

### Awareness Procession on Veer Bal Diwas

From December 20 to December 27, 2024, we solemnly observed Saheedi Week, paying heartfelt tribute to the unparalleled sacrifice of Guru Gobind Singh Ji's family, the tenth Sikh Guru, who stood resolutely for the Sikh faith during an era of immense oppression. A special assembly was conducted by the students to mark the occasion, inspiring students with the timeless values of determination, dedication, bravery, and courage embodied by the Four Sahibzaade. The event was graced by our esteemed guests, Bibi Rajinder Kaur and Bibi Amandeep Kaur, who deeply moved everyone by sharing the story of the Sahibzade's heroic sacrifice and leading the recitation of Shabad Gurbani, creating an atmosphere of spiritual reflection. To honour the courage and sacrifice of the Char Sahibzaade, students of Grade IX participated in a heartfelt awareness procession on the occasion of Veer Baal Diwas. Marching from the school to the Sector-15 market, the students shared the inspirational story of the Sahibzaadas, reciting their learnings and spreading the values of bravery, sacrifice, and devotion.







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# FROM THE PEN OF

GIS CREATIVE WRITERS







### A SIMPLE STORY

One rainy evening, while going to the work, I saw a woman sitting on the wet ground. She was shivering, holding a sign that said, "Lost my job. Need help." Next to her sat a small boy, holding a thin blanket. Feeling sorry for her, I walked over, gave her some money, and said, "I hope things get better for you." She gave me a weak smile and said, "Thank you." I thought I had done my part by helping her. As I was leaving, a man in an old jacket approached her. Instead of giving money, he sat down next to her and asked, "What happened?" She paused, then started sharing her story—how she lost her job, her home, and her hope. The man listened carefully, without interrupting. When she finished, he took a thermos of tea, some biscuits, and gloves from his bag. He said, "I've been in your place before. It's tough, but you'll get through this. There's a shelter nearby; they'll take you in tonight. Take this food for your son." The woman's eyes filled with tears as she said, "Thank you," in a shaky voice. Her gratitude felt deeper this time, as if his words gave her hope. Watching this, I understood the difference between what I had done and what the man had done. I had shown sympathy—feeling bad for her but staying at a distance. The man showed empathy—stepping into her world, understanding her struggles, and giving her real support. That evening, I learned an important lesson. Sympathy is noticing someone's pain. Empathy is truly connecting with them and helping in a way that matters. In a world full of challenges, people need empathy —a kind of care that says, "I see you, I understand you, and I'm here for you." That's what can make all the difference.

Ms. Sapna Tyagi



### A STEP TOWARDS A COMPASSIONATE TOMORROW

Yesterday, while passing by an old age home, I was struck by a profound thought. How must the elderly living there feel? Don't they miss their children? Don't they long for a companion in this vulnerable phase of life, where even walking or eating becomes a struggle? These questions made me reflect deeply on how we treat our elders today and how our own children might treat us tomorrow. Loneliness, I believe, is the greatest trauma one can experience in old age. It is during this time that companionship and support become not just essential but life-affirming. Unfortunately, many elderly people are left to fend for themselves or are sent away, a reflection of the growing disconnect in families. A community thrives on sharing and caring, not staying apart. We must foster a culture of compassion, starting within our own families. Spending quality time with grandparents or reaching out to lonely elderly neighbours can create a ripple effect of kindness. By teaching our children the value of these relationships, we not only honour the older generation but also set an example for the future. Let us pledge to make a difference today—by being present, offering support, and building a community of care. A caring today can undoubtedly lead to a brighter and more compassionate tomorrow.

Ms. Sonali



