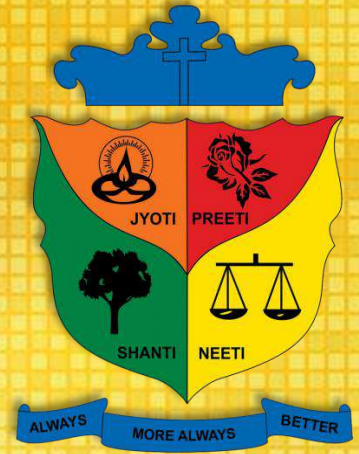


The HCS Cunioia

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Principal's Message



Greetings from all of us at Holy Child School...

I hope this message finds you all in good health and high spirits. As uncertainty continues in the present COVID-19 situation and one-to-one contact remains a distant dream, we at Holy Child are happy to bring to you, **the first edition of our E-Magazine –The HCS-EUNOIA** (which in Greek means beautiful thinking). And indeed, it is a humble and wonderful attempt by our editorial team to connect our dear students to the world outside and instill in the readers, feelings of hope and joy amidst all despair and morbidity.

We at Holy Child to continue to uphold our motto, “Always more and Always Better” and the new norm of social distancing has not been able to stop us from it. Though things look gray and skepticism seems to grip the present, we look at it as an opportunity to turn to our beloved Lord in trust and complete abandonment and rest in His merciful hands, safe and sound. We believe that we are secure, despite the uncertainty around us today. We once again reaffirm to ourselves that we are free to love God and others, despite the challenges we face. It ensures hope that we can raise our eyes to Heaven, rather than look down in fear.

We have maintained our pace with our school calendar, in spite of all odds, with our students having attempted to unlock their hidden potentials. The first issue of our first E-Magazine **The HCS-EUNOIA** is all about events, sharing memories and exploring everything that HCS has to offer. Though we are dismayed that the campus is not brimming with our lovely students, we have got adapted to the virtual connectivity and ensured that we are together as always!

Earth Day Celebrations, Labour Day, the farewell of a beloved teacher, Mother's Day and School Competitions – all our activities have been going on through the virtual platform, and we have done it all as per plans! Social distancing has been able to hinder our emotional connect. We are very hopeful that we will together overcome this pandemic and emerge victorious. The light at the end of the tunnel is not an illusion. And the light very much IS! With that faith in mind, we pray that we see the bright and clear skies once again, before the next edition of our **The HCS-EUNOIA**.

With prayerful wishes and blessings for all.

Sr. Sherine Thuruthel
Principal

Editor's Note

Greetings to all Dear Readers

We, the HCS family with great joy and honour, present before you all, our very first exemplary edition of E-Magazine: **The HCS-EUNOIA**. This new venture marks our zest and eagerness to set foot on new horizons and accomplish those domains where we have never worked before. Our institution epitomizes progress and advancements as our motto says, Always More and Always Better. Through this launch we validate the fact that no obstacle can cease our prosperity and affluence. The pandemic Covid 19 has hit the world hard and has brought life in many ways to a standstill, instilling anxiety, unrest, insecurities and fear in the minds and hearts of many everywhere. But we as teachers, as liberators have taken a step further to not only resuscitate positivity in the lives of our dear students but also stimulate their minds to cogitate and act like never before. We unlocked their skills, hidden potentialities under lockdown, stirred creativity in their minds and hearts and they came up with their magnificent works to adorn our magazine.

Our institution bridged this distancing through online classes, staff meetings, assemblies, PTMs, competitions, orientation programmes and counselling sessions and above all online celebrations recognizing special days, helping students to stay active and affiliated at all times. These efforts are only made to make our students feel strong motivated and resilient in all that we aim to do.

Our institution very strongly believes in prayers and miracles. We count on Lord Almighty for everything and know that surrendering all in His hands and by simply seeking His grace and benediction we all will sail through these troubled times courageously, with a strong will and endurance.

I would now like to take the opportunity to thank all those who contributed in the constitution of our E- magazine. I would begin by thanking Lord Almighty in helping us accomplish all that we intend to do, Rev. Sr. Therese our President who has immense faith in all our efforts, our Manager, Sr. Deepika, our Principal, Rev. Sr. Sherine who is a real savant and has a vision beyond measure to help the institution achieve great success and our Headmistress Rev. Sr. Elsy. I would also like to thank Ms. Alpi, whose knowledge and benevolence helped us throughout. Ms. Babneet for her proficiency and efforts, Ms. Simi for all her expertise. I thank all our dear students for their creative maneuvers and parents for their invigorating support.

May we all stay happy and healthy, spread love, happiness and positivity everywhere. As in the words of William James, “Pessimism leads to weakness, optimism to power.” - Ms Kaumudi Malhotra

HCS emerges Stronger during Lockdown

In the unforeseen event of Corona virus pandemic, schools had abruptly shut down by mid-March till further orders from the Government. Lockdown followed and what followed next was a chaotic situation with uncertainty hanging over the conduction of classes. Holy Child Sr. Sec. School, Tagore Garden gave no room for panic and focused on its primary goal—students' education. The School decided to commence the classes on online platforms, initially Zoom for middle and high school and Webex for primary classes. The entire school was on virtual platform since the beginning of April.

Over a period of time, students started complaining of security issues on Zoom. Acting promptly on those complaints, the school registered for Microsoft Teams. Teachers were trained and soon the entire school shifted to MS Teams. This was yet another example to show that no matter how hard situations get, students' security and comfort will always be the school's priority.

The teaching has since then has gone on smoothly without interruption. To test the efficiency of online classes, unit tests and class tests were organized for students of all classes. Timely assignments were provided with deadlines for submission to keep the students on track with their syllabus with focus on constant revision.

The Zoom platform was also used to conduct morning assemblies on special occasions such as Labour Day, Mothers' Day, Feast of St. Bartholomea and St. Vincenza. The Principal, Sr. Sherine enlightened the students with her inspiring words at each special assembly. It was followed by messages by teachers and students apt for each occasion. A special assembly was also conducted to give farewell to Mrs. Valsamma James, who retired in May.

Parent-teacher meetings were also conducted to establish two-way communication between the parents and teachers, to answer their queries and take feedback and suggestions. Counselling sessions were organized for students. These sessions were taken by school counsellors. The school also conducted online Orientation for Parents of all classes during mid-May.

The school shared online English newspaper editions and e-version of NCERT and CBSE textbooks from time to time to ensure students lose out on information and knowledge gathering due to the lockdown. During the vacation period, students were engaged in various extra-curricular activities and competitions, encouraging them to exhibit their creative skills.

The online platform also provided regular opportunities for teachers to enhance their teaching skills through webinars and online workshops.

It's true that online classes can, in no way, replace live classes but the efforts that the school took during these times were enough to establish Holy Child Sr. Sec. School as the supreme pillar of dedication to students' education, nurturing and future-building. It has undeniably stood up to its motto, 'always more and always better.' -Rhyma Sharma XII D

Parent Orientations

Online Webinar on Parent Orientation Program was held for classes I-XII from 18th May 2020 to 1st June 2020. The parents were really excited and enthusiastic to attend their Orientation Program on an online platform for the first time. The Principal enlightened the Parents on the importance of Mindfulness.

The class teachers motivated the parents about how to be positive during the pandemic. The school counsellor and special educator addressed the parents about ways to manage time with children, health and hygiene, talking about COVID-19 to children, self-management of well being and ways managing digital changes.



Online Competitions

Competitions offer a chance for participants to gain substantial experience, showcase skills, analyze and evaluate outcomes and uncover personal aptitude. Competitions also encourage students to adopt innovative techniques and develop their ideas and skills. To give yet another platform to our students to compete with one another and prove their worth we organised various online competitions in the month of June. Students participated in multitudes through Zoom App and Microsoft Teams App. This kept the spirit of competing and winning through virtual platform scintillating and dazzling.



List of online competitions held during Covid:

Labour Day Celebration:

- Class I – Fancy Dress Competition
- Class II – Card Making Competition
- Class III, IV and V – Slogan Writing
 - Fancy Dress
 - Card Making
 - Drawing/Painting

- Class VI and VII – Poster Making Competition
- Class VIII – Slogan Writing Competition
- Class IX – Article Writing
- Class X, XI and XII – Poem Writing/Words of Appreciation

Virtual Symphony:

- Middle and High School:
 - Dance
 - Poster Designing
 - The Puppet Show
 - Photography Competition
 - Ted Talks
 - Computer Science activity- A Story Board
 - Let's Get Comical- A digital design competition
 - Robotics
 - Music
- Primary: English Recitation
 - Fancy Dress
 - Drawing
 - Mono Acting

Mehak Arora of class XI-D was chosen as the most suitable candidate, to come up with the most felicitous name for our E-Magazine, **The HCS Eunoia.**

Let's get Comical Competition



Diksha Singh XII D



Sona Joseph - X D



Mehak Vohra XII B

White Lilies

I was strolling along the valley
When, suddenly I saw crowd,
A host of white lilies
While dancing they made themselves proud,
Around the lake, near the willow tree
Fluttering in the cold breeze!

Their Petals shone like stars
and twinkled merrily around the bay.
They stretched in an endless line,
Like galaxies in Milky Way.

A sparkling wave tossed their heads
which made them dance in glee.
As white as snow, the sparkling flower beds
And it was such a cheerful company.

Very often, when I lie on my pillow
In a sorrow and a vacant mood,
In my mind, I see the flash
of lilies near the willow.
And the air around me becomes silly
When my heart dances with the white lilies!
-Saloni Malhotra VII A

Teachers- the lighthouse

Teachers are the true preachers
In times of pandemic they are the real outreachers
They face the challenge with a smile
And never let down their students for a while
Always keep the flame of knowledge burning
Whether it's corona or be it e learning
Always there to clear the doubts
Whether struggling with their bouts
Ever ready to share their intellect
To make each one of us bright and reflect
-Banileen Kaur XI D

MY DAD MY HERO

Personal experience of my family (COVID 19)
I am sharing my experience about my father's job in this article. Although everyone has been doing heroic jobs like policemen, bankers, doctors, nurses yet I would be doing injustice if I am not pointing out here about my father's profile who is also in the medical line. He is working in a government hospital as the head of laboratory. He daily goes to the hospital and performs different tests and takes samples of persons suffering from Corona Virus disease.

He has been doing his job with complete dedication without any fear endangering his life by sitting in the lab continuously for many hours. He told us that it is his duty to perform all types of tests. He takes full precautions like wearing of gloves and masks (PPE KIT). While reaching home he takes bath changes his clothes and informs us about his day spent at his office. We all listen to him carefully and admire his tasks. Our entire family prays to God that he does his job smoothly and also pray for early normalisation of this situation.

-Ishita Arora IV A

An appeal from FUTURE



Krishnangi Arora X C



One day in 2040, imagine your child studying

History, asks you, "mom, what's this 'Coronavirus'? My book says it spread in 2019 and caused havoc in the whole world. You must have lived it. Tell me about it please."

To which, you reply,

"Well, yeah, it did happen, and I remember it so clearly as if it had happened yesterday. It all started in Wuhan, China where some 3000 people died. And it didn't take too long before it spread to the rest of the world. It was the first time in my life I had seen something like that. Schools and colleges were shut for the longest time ever. Doctors all over the world were baffled by this virus that had suddenly spread and put so many lives at risk. We were told to stay inside, not go out unless absolutely necessary. It came to be known as 'social distancing' and 'self-quarantine' and was absolutely necessary to stop further spread of the virus to other people, or catch it from them. I

remember how at that time, the most crowded places in the world turned desolate. There was nobody seen on the streets, cinemas and malls were closed and there were continuous government announcements and guidelines telling people to stay inside and isolate. *It was the first time I had seen the world fight something together. It was almost like it was World War III, except it was The World vs. Coronavirus.*"

Your son, after hearing the most realistic story he has ever known, continues to speak, "Oh! That sounds so scary mom. But I have a question—in this time when the governments and doctors all over the world were trying to protect YOU, what did YOU do for them?"

You pause, think, and say,

"Well, I..."

"I stayed inside, as I should have. I did all I should do, as a responsible citizen, to facilitate the measures my government was taking to curb the pandemic. I realised that I need to distance myself from people who could have been affected by it, not only because I could catch the virus, but also because that would add me to the list of people for whom the doctors were risking their lives. I respected the fact that my health and anybody else's, is more important than my enjoyment, recreation and outing. So I helped stop the spread, washed my hands as often as I could, kept myself safe and in the process, lowered the probability of putting myself as well as some elderly and weak people at risk, and this way, *I helped break the chain.*"

Please contribute your will. Stay safe, stay in. This is history, in the making.

-Rhyma Sharma XII D

LANGUAGE LAB GOES ONLINE

"Language shapes the way we think, and determines what we can think about"

– Benjamin Lee Whorf

Apart from various activities being conducted, HCS has specially oriented an online platform to continue the language upliftment in the form of a **Language Lab**. The software is available on android and windows based devices so as to indulge children in various activities on a digital platform which includes a variety of tasks related with language enhancement, which further helps us to improve our listening, speaking and reading skills. Students login with their individual IDs and access the software even in these troubled times.



DARK WAR

The moon hides secrets
Secrets it won't tell
Secrets of the thousand stars up there
Secrets that'll forever dwell.

It sees all the blood.
It sees the cold war.
All the nemesis that besets.
All the hatred that breeds.

In this direful darkness
We're willing to adapt to be someone we're not,
The emptiness, the void, the death, the struggle
Is what we're shown and what we're taught.

We've made it past the reef
Swimming a dead end ocean
Sacrificing our dreams
Fetching the notions

Mobs of angry youth
Screaming down the street
Chanting our death sentences
While the others beg for peace.

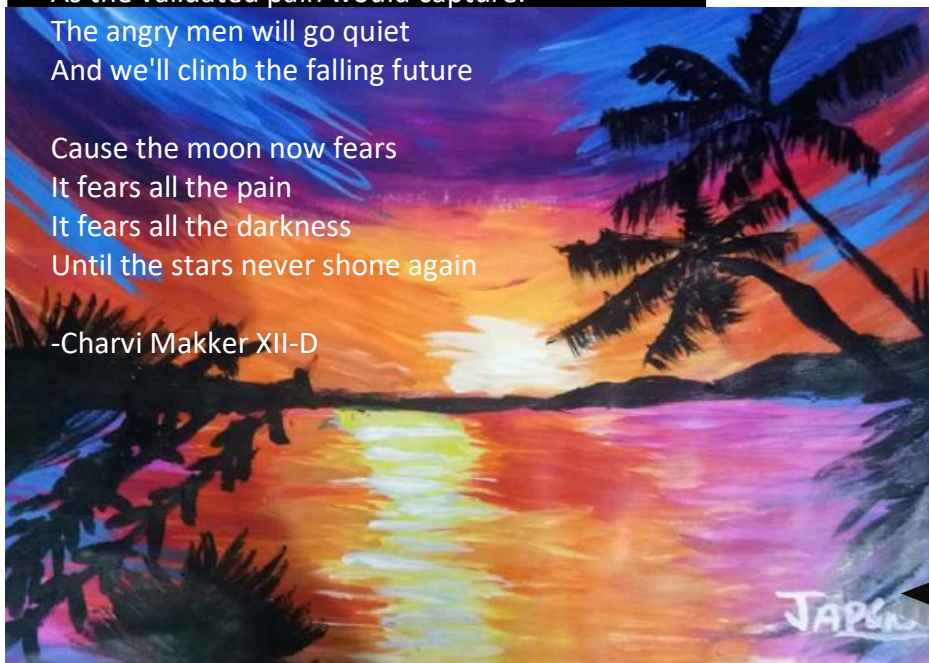
It's not humans who're dying
It's the humanity that fades
With every innocent that's killed
With each blood drenched blades

But it would all end soon
As the validated pain would capture.

The angry men will go quiet
And we'll climb the falling future

Cause the moon now fears
It fears all the pain
It fears all the darkness
Until the stars never shone again

-Charvi Makker XII-D



CORONA

Years before you and I were born,
There used to be a world no one could despise
Where sparrows flew all over the sky
With their wings expanded in delight.

The sky was covered with stars
and the air was fresh and crisp.
But when man could no longer resist his greed,
He built devices which could do anything with just a
click.

In his race for success and power,
He left behind his basic instinct to love.
Soon the sky was filled with pollution
And breathing became quite tough.

Even in such trouble,
All he wanted was more and more money.
So then came a virus
Which threatened man's existence and laid him on
gurney.

Corona, as the virus was named,
Brought all sorts of misery and pain.
Man trembled with fear, tucked himself inside his
home
While all his money went in vain.

Some say it was a curse,
Others say it was fate.

I feel that the superior motive of corona was
Teaching man a lesson and
replenishing earth's resources.

After the pandemic ended and man
came out from his abode
He found the world so tranquil and
free of pain
And thus chose it over his desire to
earn more.
So once again it became a world no
one could ever abominate.

-SHAINAL SACHDEVA XI C

Jagun Kaur IX B

To make life beautiful and better, appreciate and value the gifts of NATURE



Harshita VIID



Ishika Tanwar IX B



Yashvi Peshkar X C

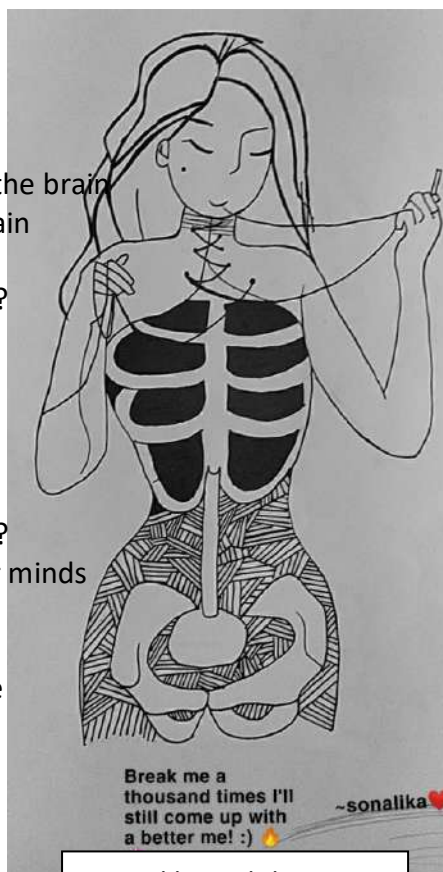
BREAK THE WALLS

When the sun rises high
It's the right time to fly
To break the narrow mindedness of the brain
To promise not to suffer any more pain

Have women not excelled anywhere?
Then why are we still scared?
To send our girls out of homes
To give them their personal rooms

Don't send girls out at night
Is the saying we all have heard, right?
But now, it's high time to refresh our minds
And to stop being so blind

Give them a chance and they'll prove
It's a world where girls can move
In their journey, they'll go very far
And surely become a shining star
- KANISHKA KHANNA XI D



Sonalika Sachdeva XI C

THE BIGGEST MISTAKE OF MAN:

PLASTIC Plastic plastic everywhere.
Don't you want to save the earth?
Wasting water everywhere,
Using plastic everywhere!

Mistake he did when he made a man,
Use of plastic shall be banned.
The 'shall' will change to a 'have',
When man will use it again and again!

Plastic pollutes everyone,
Everything and everyone.
Pollutes water pollutes us,
People die because of this.
Then also man uses it.

Say no to plastic
If you want
To save our mother Earth!!!
- Aadya Singh VII.C

Counselling and Learning Centre during lockdown

The 2020-2021 session began on an unanticipated note but it is our collective effort to take time into our stride and face challenges with a broad smile. To give students a platform to vent out their feelings, concerns, and apprehensions, the counselor and special educator of the school interacted with all the students through online video platform. The interaction revolved around making students aware of how they can make the quarantine period productive, guidelines related to cyber policy and how to safeguard themselves during the lockdown through HCS Formula.

H - Helping themselves and friends

C - Check health, connect, counselling and cyber policy

S - Set limits and spend creative time



Interaction with parents on Cyber Policy



Interaction with students on health and Well-being

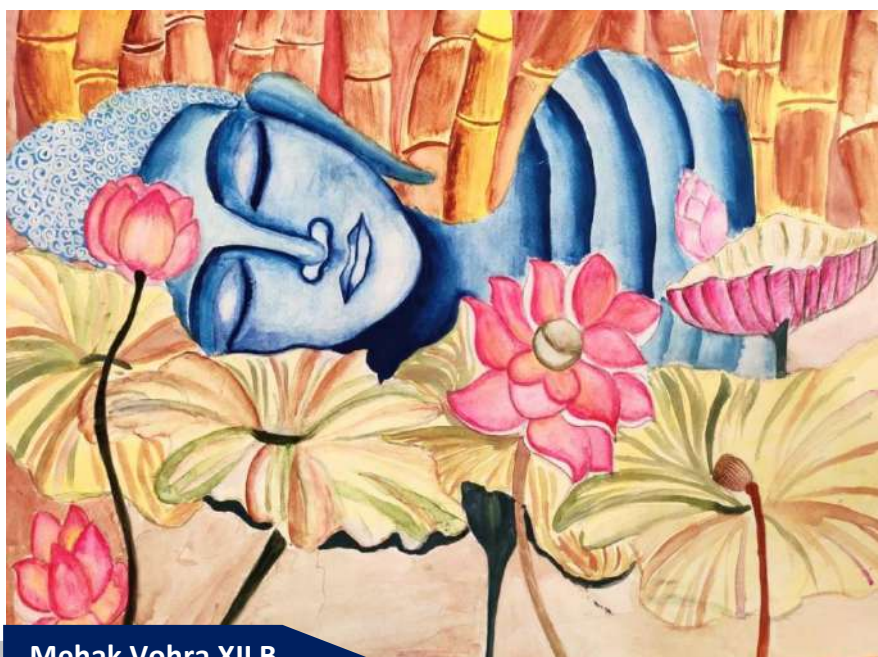
A GENTLE BREEZE

I look up at the sky
So dark and blue
Spreading the moonlight
And calmness too
Then blew a gentle breeze
Which uplifted my spirits
And made me joyful
Like the chirping crickets
A blissful spark
Grew up within me
To start the day
With a great glee
Devanshi Kaintura-X D

Lost In the ocean of desolation

Lost In the ocean of desolation
Shedding tears of rue
I sat by the shoreside
Where healing winds blew.
The waves washed my tears
The winds blew away all fears
The heartening melody of birds
Reminded that I am left with a year.

- Ridhima Raj X D



Mehak Vohra XII B



Riyaz Ahmed is with दीपक कुंडारा

बैरवा and 9 others.

26 mins • 🌐

Salute to this little angel 🧡, who donated her piggy bank savings to us for the poor and needy peoples. Salute to Surinder ji (parent) upbringing her like this. This is not only money, this makes us believe that good and kind souls are still exists in this world. May God bless her. Jai hind



Mother

-A touch of tender arms protects us from all that harms

The everlasting bond

The sun may fade
The moon may lose its sheen
The flowers may shed
With tears I bled
Oh my respected mom
Your love I will never ever forget
Your true meaningful sacrifice
To render wings to life
Leaves a big imprint on our minds
You cared and shared every moment
Showered blessings from the core
My heart is always down to pour
When I don't see you anymore

-Banileen Kaur

XI-D



Shria Mudgal VII C

A DAY OFF

They work the whole day and night
So we study under bright light,
Hats off to our country's labourers
Who make us read daily newspapers,
Pleasure in jobs puts perfection in work
That's how they roll in the whole world ,
Without labour nothing prospers
And that's how our goals become stronger,
No human masterpiece has been created
Without great labour, getting heated,
Thanks to our struggling workforce
Working really hard as a wealth resource,
They are the pillar stone for success
So let's today praise their faithfulness,
They too have the right to a day's rest
Let us make their life of toil today the Best!

By - Devanshi Saini

XI - D

Mother - A living God on this Earth

Who is a mother? The answer to this question is known to all of us. But sometimes we either forget it or pretend to forget it. This is where we go wrong. We always take our parents for granted, especially our mothers, thinking that they will always love us no matter what we do, which is true; but to take undue advantage of your mother's love is nothing but a Sin!

Have you ever wondered how a lady bore you for 280 days, rather 6,720 hours? She kept all of her desires away or secondary and took care of all your needs, went through immense pain but forgot all of this within a fraction of seconds when we were born, when we entered the real world by breaking the chords of the world where we were initially in! Mothers generally scold children more than fathers, probably because of the fact that their love for their children is a little more immense. We always say, every child is a gift of God. But I believe we as children should never forget the fact that parents are the living and visible God on this Earth, which reminds us to respect them the most!

Abdul Kalam said,

"Never ignore your mother, who cares for you and misses you. Because one day you might wake up from sleep and realise that you lost the moon while counting the stars".

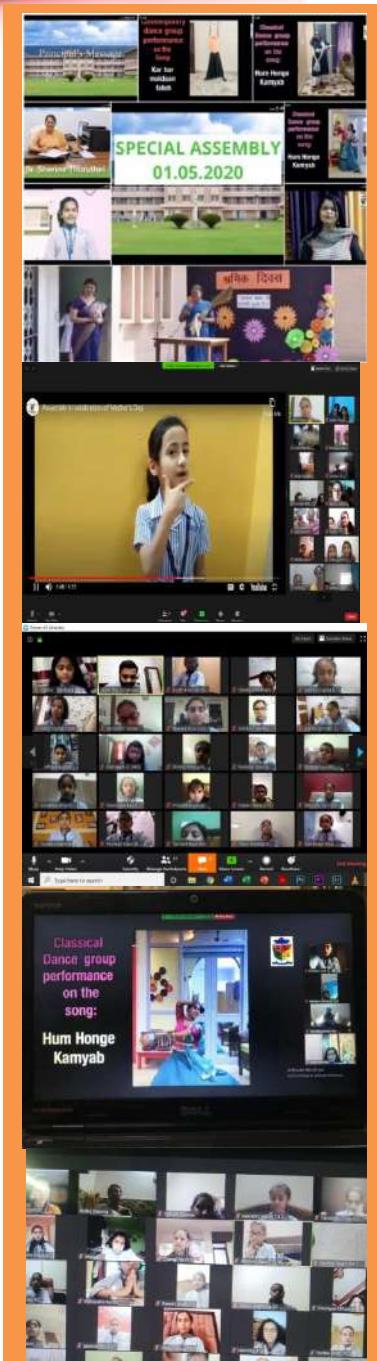
Happy Mothers' Day!

Shreshtha Varghese -XII B



Gauranshi X-D

-Gauranshi



Some important events celebrated during lockdown....

Earth Day-ONE EARTH ONE CHANCE

Earth Day is an annual global event, observed in the month of April. This day is marked to render acknowledgment and appreciation to all the environmental movements and concerns worldwide. Students of HCS tried to raise awareness about pollution and the ways and means to maintain a clean habitat through a special online assembly. The theme for Earth Day 2020 was proposed as Climate Action. Students sang songs, recited poems, gave dance performances. Students were also encouraged to plant trees around them and respect nature along with the living organisms around.

https://youtu.be/vxe_nCH14dk

Labour Day

A special assembly was conducted on the occasion of Labour Day on Zoom online platform on 1 May. It began with a message by Principal Sister Sherine who emphasized on the importance of commitment and hidden sacrifices and thanked the teaching and non-teaching staff who had been contributing to the success of the school with their consistent efforts. This was followed by presentations by students. Several competitions like fancy dress, card making, slogan writing, article writing, poem composition, were organized to mark the importance of the day.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jPf3J08tePE>

Mother's Day

On 11 May, the school held a special assembly as a perfect tribute to mark the occasion of Mothers Day. The assembly was conducted virtually on the Zoom online platform. The assembly begun with a message from Principal Sister Sherine who appreciated the selfless attitude of mothers, who are God's wonderful creation. This was followed by a presentation by students who shared poems and opinions on the sacrifices offered by mothers. Teachers of HCS family also expressed their views on the occasion. Students were motivated to make hand-made cards for mothers. They were asked to cook meals without fire for their mothers. <https://youtu.be/rxantuko7ZO>

Feast of St Bartolomea and St Vincenza

The school celebrated the feast of its Foundresses St Bartolomea Capitanio and St Vincenza Geroza via Zoom and MS Teams platform on 18 May. They served the youth as an example of God on this earth. St Bartolomea opened a school in her house as children were close to her heart. Seeing their example, many sisters have dedicated their lives in the service of youth and God. Prayer offered by St Bartolomea was recited followed by messages by teachers and children of HCS. Song dedicated to the memory of the two saints was sung. https://youtu.be/XMrTkn_sVeY

Merits of Covid- 19

Covid- 19, a disastrous global pandemic has turned our lives upside down. The fear of this dreadful disease has confined all of us to our homes. But, we have to accept the absurd fact that this disease has also brought realisations. We have failed to share this earth with other creatures. Humans have been utilising the resources recklessly to satisfy their greed. As a result of the lockdown, we see birds and animals coming out to isolated roads. The ozone layer is slowly healing. The pollution levels are coming down. As for us students, we have tried our potentials in different other fields through which we had never come across. These days have made us realise that even taunting and scolding of our teachers, lame jokes of fellow classmates and daily assemblies were all of great entertainment. The lockdown has provided us time to cherish all our forgotten hobbies and interests. We have perceived that we are nothing as compared to an invisible microscopic virus that has taken the world by fire.

Sona Joseph-XD

May this year take away
all the tears
And give us a life full
of cheers
Bringing us near to our
dears
And finally making us
brave enough to face all
our fears.....

Shreya Mishra X D

Lockdown gave birth to a whole spectrum of creativity and artistry



Krisha Vijay VA



Riddhima Jain VIII D



Anshika Sharma II B



Khushi Bhardwaj VIB



Jassifat Kaur XII B



Gitanshi Maggo III A



Parneet Kaur VIII D



Yashika Chhikara X-C



Simran Kaur VIII D



Rishika Sawhney II B



Tvisha Seth II C

स्कूल का महत्व

कल तक जिस विद्यालय में जाना था सताता,
अब वहीं दौड़ कर जाने को है मन ललचाता,
यूँ तो है विद्यालय सड़क के उस पार,
पर अब लगता है जैसे हो गया हो सरहदों पार ॥

सड़कों पर दीखता अब न कोई स्कूटर न कार,
दिन में भी जैसे हुआ घोर अंधकार,
कब जाउंगी स्कूल, कर रही थी यह विचार,
तभी लॉकडाउन बढ़ने का मिला समाचार ॥

सोचते सोचते अपने विद्यालय के बारे में,
न जाने कब डूब गयी मैं गहरे ख्वाबों में,
पहुंची मैं स्कूल अपने सपनों की दुनियां में,
रंग - बिरंगे फूल महकते हैं जहाँ बगीचे में ॥

छात्रों से भरा था खेल का मैदान,
देखकर यह दृश्य जैसे आयी हो मुझमें जान,
विद्यार्थियों को अध्यापक करा रहे थे अध्ययन,
पहुँच कर अपनी कक्षा में, भर आये मेरे नयन ॥

खो कर जैसे अपना घर वापस था मैंने पाया,
तभी मुझे नींद से माँ ने मेरी जगाया,
धन्यवाद उस ईश्वर का जिसने सपना यह दिखाया,
अपने स्कूल का महत्व अब समझ में मेरी आया ॥

Purvika Chugh IV B

मेरा देश

ऐसा होता मेरा देश
साफ रहता हर प्रदेश,
जीव जंतू रहते सुखी
ना होता कोई दुखी ।

हरियाली ही हरियाली होती
गरीबी के लिए कोई जगह ना होती,
चारो ओर खुशिया भरती
जीवन में आशाए उभरती ।

गुण गान सब भगवान का करते
दया भाव से दिल भरते,
हर बच्चे को शिक्षा मिलती
दुनियाभर में तरक्की दिखती ।

रहते सब जैसे एक परिवार
न लड़ाई बस प्यार ही प्यार,
साथ बैठ सब भोजन करते
होता अन्न का खूब भंडार ।

सोचती हू क्या यह सपना पूरा होगा
पूछा माँ से तो बोली,
संघर्ष करोगे तो जरूर होगा ।
चारो ओर हो एक ही पुकार
भारत माता की जय जयकार ॥
-Sharanya VI C

आएगा जल्दी ही वह दिन।

आएगा जल्दी ही वह दिन,
जब मम्मी सुबह-सुबह उठाएँगी।
स्नान कर जल्दी करेँगे हम नाश्ता, बैग
ले हाथ में, बस में हमें बिठाएँगी।

आएगा जल्दी ही वह दिन,
जब हम फिर से खेल खिलाएँगे।
बैठकर स्कूल बस में,
मस्ती करते हुए स्कूल जाएँगे।

आएगा जल्दी ही वह दिन,
जब हम मिलकर प्रार्थना गाएँगे।
सुनेंगे प्रतिदिन का सुविचार,
फिर से हम राष्ट्रगान गुन-गुनाएँगे।

आएगा जल्दी ही वह दिन,
मिलेगा जब हमें ज़ीरो कालांश।
आएँगे टीचर हमारी कक्षाओं में, सुनेंगे
उनसे हम पाठों का सारांश।

आएगा जल्दी ही वह दिन,
जब लंच टाइम का करेँगे इंतज़ार।
जाकर कैंटीन जल्दी ही, मित्रों
से शेयर करेँगे अपने विचार।

आएगा जल्दी ही वह दिन,
रहेगा इंतज़ार खेल कालांश का।
खेल में इतने हो जाएँगे मशगूल,
न विचार आएगा अगले कालांश का।

आएगा जल्दी ही वह दिन,
जब हम रुद्राक्ष सभागृह में जाएँगे।
आए हुए अतिथिजन को सुनकर,
असीम प्रेरणा-आनंद से भर जाएँगे।

आएगा जल्दी ही वह दिन,
जब सर जमा करेँगे काँपी हमारी।
काम न होने पर हमारा,
हम जल्दी से कह देंगे, सर ! सॉरी।

आएगा जल्दी ही वह दिन, जब
राउंड पर होंगी प्रिंसिपल मैम हमारी,
संकेत पाते ही मैम के आने का,
कक्षाएँ एकदम चुप हो जाएँगी सारी।

आएगा जल्दी ही वह दिन,
जब अंतर्विद्यालयी गतिविधियों में जाएँगे।
जीतकर पुरस्कार स्वयं को प्रेरणा से भर,
विद्यालय का मान फिर से हम बढ़ाएंगे।

-Gurkirat XI-C

करोना- एक परिवर्तन

ये कैसा समय आया है, जिसने दुनिया को हिलाया
है,
बदल गई पूरी दुनिया, कुछ ना समझ में आया है।

ना किसी से मिलते हैं, ना कहीं आते जाते हैं,
बस घर की चार दीवारी में रब से दुआ करते हैं।

एक छोटे से वायरस ने धरती को हिलाया है,
एक ही पल में कलयुग को सतयुग बनाया है।

जीवन में परिवर्तन आया है, पैसे की कीमत को
बढ़ाया है,
पूरी दुनिया ने सोशल मीडिया पर ध्यान लगाया है।

हमारे पी एम ने अपना ध्यान और समय लगाया है,
शिक्षक की तरह हम सबको समझाया है।

पूरा विश्वास दिखाया है और सफलता का राज़
बताया है।

समय कठिन तो आया है, परन्तु अंधकार के बाद
उजाला भी तो आया है।



Keiyona Malhotra II-B

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GOOD BYES ARE NEVER EASY

“Every new beginning comes from some other beginning’s end.”

The month of May witnessed farewell of our dearest Mrs. Valsamma James. It wasn't easy for HCS to say good bye to one of its precious gems. She has always been a true inspiration, a judicious guide, a great mentor and a wonderful human being. It won't be easy for the institution to bid farewell to such an efficacious personality. She would be greatly missed and remembered for all her contributions to the institution. <https://youtu.be/0dO7GZUhu2E>

Selfie mania

Ever since the advent of smartphones in the market followed by scrutinized technology and easy to use apps, our lives have become more exciting and optimized and there are no two ways about it. With the world spinning over these modern technologies nobody bothers about its demerits and does not tend to think about it the other way round. One such modern disease associated with these high-tech smartphones is the craze for selfies that has grown over us with the passage of time and is indubiously still growing.

Selfie, as the term suggests, refers to clicking a photograph of oneself with the help of smartphone or a webcam. Be it a wedding ceremony or a beautiful location; clicking selfies is bound to take the centre stage, keeping the fun and frolic aside. People have become so much berserk about selfies that they sometimes forget that there are other things too that should be given prior consideration before posing in front of the camera with a pout. It may sound absurd but selfie mania has become a major reason for innumerable deaths in India.

Though these selfies are good enough to take the social media by storm, negligence and over obsession could even lead to a person's death. Take the recent case of "Preeti Pase" who while trying to take a selfie of hers on the Tetrapods at Marine drive was pulled in a high tide thereby losing her precious life. The poor girl wanted to be captured in the clutches of the camera but who would have thought she would fall prey to the high tides that would send her to heaven. People have also fallen off high cliffs or have been run over by vehicles.

Albeit, many dangerous places have been marked with "no selfie zones" by the government, yet the warnings go often unheeded by the individuals. Taking selfies is not wrong, but one should be aware of the surrounding too.

Folks, there is life beyond the world of virtuality, it's better to be in reality than to become victims of any kind of casualty

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Creativity

at its best in spite of chaos and unrest



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Art and Craft

Искусство и Ремесло

Words of sagacity from a distinguished personality...

These are few questions which I would like you to answer for our school's e-magazine.

Q1. What motivated you to be a language teacher ?

Actually, God has a lot to do with it! But I don't want to sound too spiritual! (You can ask me more questions about this if you are interested!) I taught Business English in Russia and when we came back to the States, I remembered how much I enjoyed helping people with their English. When I first got the certificate to teach in a vocational school (where there were many refugees and immigrants), I absolutely loved having the world in my classroom. That's when I decided to go back to college and get my Masters. I have seen English as a bridge builder for relationships, as well helping people fulfil their dreams and goals.

Q2. Which according to you is the most important skill one needs to master ,to learn a language most appropriately?

Speaking and listening are skills that show people you care about them. But I would add to that: Sociolinguistics – the way language is used in society, in different situations, cultures and norms, really helps people relate and express themselves. I think it is important that people find “their voice” – the ability to express their thoughts and feelings; and the ability to listen to others, even when they think or believe differently.

Q3. Which aspect of English Language do you like the most and which you find the most challenging to teach?

I love Functional Linguistics – looking at the functions (the jobs) of words, phrases, and systems in language. For example, if I want to have a debate, there are certain words I must use, I must learn more than denotations, but also connotations. I must learn to frame my arguments. I must listen to others well and learn how to respond. Same if it is something persuasive or narrative. It is the most challenging aspect to teach because people want you to focus on grammar, rather than function. But in this area, incorporating drama and theatre into the English classroom helps



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teach this.

Q4. How can communicative competence be achieved?

To become competent in communicating one must learn to negotiate meaning, in other words, make sure you are understood when speaking, rephrase or clarify. You must learn strategies, both verbal and non-verbal. If there are misunderstandings, you have to know how to correct them. And you must also avoid communication breakdown: make eye contact, smile, ask questions, for example. So you can see, it is far more than linguistics and form! It is interactive strategies of understanding and being understood!

Q5. Does the learning process actually matter or is it all about the achievements that matter?

I'm not sure I understand this question. Let me say first of all that understanding the learning process is with individuals is very complex. I don't think it really includes achievements. It is important to engage the students, build on THEIR experiences, help them to explore and become autonomous learners, and always reflect and evaluate. So many types of learners (multiple intelligences, if you will) and as teachers we have to try to reach them all and not leave anyone out. This question is very interesting, and I will think about it some more!

Q6. How important experiential learning is to you in any classroom situation?

Extremely important – if the student does not experience something, really get something into their life, their heart, their mind, they will not remember long-term. Experiential learning is also varied – we experience with activities, role-playing, using technology, interviewing, discussing, and of course, I could go on. Oh, I miss the classroom right now during COVID-19, but even online, we can create experiences, and this is perhaps my greatest challenge right now. I'm doing it, I must, but I miss the classroom!

Q7. Some useful tips to enhance public speaking skills and evade stage fear in our students.

When I did the webinar for St. Mary's in Kerala, part of it was on presentation skills. The key, and I mean the KEY, for speaking in public and evading stage fear, is Preparation and Practice. I do it today, even after all these years – I like to prepare, really go over what I am going to say and practice – Yes, I always practice before a presentation!

Q8. What encouraging message would you like to give to our dear students especially in these times of anxiety and distress?

Students, Vicki Ma'am here, speaking from not so far away! Don't ever give up – change is challenging but it helps you grow, discover and dream. God has a dream to give you and all you have to do is add your skills, talents and desire to learn to the mix AND He will add His infinite wisdom, power and love. And what a feast that will be. You are all unique individuals, no one else. Is like you, so always look for opportunity to express yourself, think of others, and speak words of encouragement – the world is so fortunate to have you in it! Changing things grow, growing things develop and developing things inspire (and inspiring things change!!!). My words of wisdom for the day. So happy to have “met” you today! **Teachers**, my heart is with you, don't give up! Embracing change while learning from the past is a great combination. But you must reflect and adjust accordingly.



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Voice of Alumni

An institution's alumni are a reflection of its past, representation of its present and link to its future.

Keeping in tandem with the motto of our HCS 'Always more and always better ' each member of its sorority endeavors to work for the betterment of the school and the society. We are now more closely knit together, thanks to social media, and our relationship with the school has taken a different flavour altogether. It is a strong positive relationship between the school and its alumni that can bring a change be it socially, professionally or academically. As alumni we have realised that it's not mere nostalgia which associates us with Alma Mater but it's something more profound. It's the feeling of belongingness and the responsibility of being an asset to the institution as a sign of gratitude and affinity that ties us all together.

EMPATHY

Happiness



“Empathy is seeing with the eyes of another, listening with the ears of another and feeling with the heart of another.” The word empathy is defined as the ability to understand and share the feelings of another; to emotionally connect with people and to be able to imagine what someone else might be feeling. It involves acknowledging the pain and suffering of others and also sharing our feelings with them; thus inspiring, as well as empowering their lives. In our busy lifestyles, we often go blind to other people’s despair, always limited to our own little bubbles. We underestimate the power imbued in every little heartfelt gesture and in the small acts of kindness which have the potential to turn a life around. Empathy requires us to step out of our own little bubbles and step into other people’s bubbles; understand their perspective and feelings by stepping into their shoes. Our empathy must become a healing message for the world.

We must see the light in each other and be the light for each other.

-Ellis Francis, XII-D

What makes me HAPPY?



We all do some kind of work according to our interest which can give us happiness and joy. My hobby is singing and bird watching. Birds chirping early morning singing their own songs makes me feel happy and positive throughout the day.

BIRDS ARE NOT MEANT TO BE CAGED, LET THEM FLY HIGH IN THE SKY.

GIRLS ARE NOT MEANT TO BE DOMINATED, LET THEM FLY HIGH.

Kinjal Raj-3C



Arya Dhawan I D

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Happy Hands Activity during lockdown



VAANI PRASHAR X C



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Bread Puffs



INGREDIENT:

Onion- 1
Garlic- 1 small clove
Capsicum- 1
Tomato- 1
Green chilli- 2
Pizza sauce- 2tsp
Oil- 2tsp
Salt as per taste
Red chilli- 1 1/2 tsp
Maggi masala- 1/2tsp
Bread slices

RECIPE:

Chop all the veggies

Take a pan and put oil in it. Then put garlic and sauté. Then put onion and again saute .

Then put capsicum, tomato (remember to remove the liquid part and seeds of it) , green chilli and cook well. Later put the pizza sauce and mix. Then put salt, red chilli and Maggi masala and mix well and cook well. And your stuffing is ready

Take bread slice and flatten it then put the stuffing on one side and fold the side and press the edges to stick them together (you can use oil for that).

Take a pan and put some oil in it and when the oil is heated put the bread pieces to shallow fry. Once brown from all sides put it in a plate and serve with Schezwan sauce.

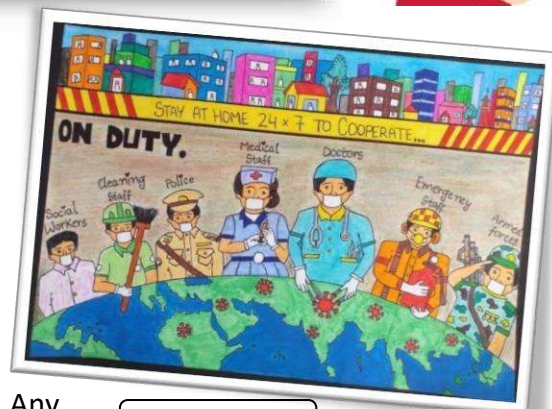
-Isha Chauhan XII B



Words from the Head Girl -Aastha Bhattacharya

The corona pandemic has got us all locked up in our homes. And while businesses are opening up gradually in stages, the schools are not likely to see the multitude of students and teachers for a long time. Education would have suffered greatly had it not been for the initiative taken by the teachers and the school management.

On 25 March, lockdown 1 was imposed. By April 3rd, we had received a fully detailed schedule for online classes on Zoom. Any problem created by network issues was more than made up for by the



Deepti XII A

immense dedication and perseverance of the teachers who have repeated the topic as many times as the students asked them to, made PPTs and gave notes. When unwanted participants started disrupting the classes on zoom, we did not back down. Our teachers took special training and we shifted the interface to Microsoft Teams, where not just classes, but PTMs and webinars were also successfully conducted – the school is working tirelessly to do everything that can be done to normalise the situation as far as possible and to give the students the quality education and ambience that they deserve.

The management, teachers, parents and students united to protect education from corona's dampening and halting effect on all spheres of life. The schools stopped, we did not. We bounced back with renewed enthusiasm so that our studies do not come to a standstill. And now, even in the summer vacations, our teachers are conducting sessions to clear up our doubts. Truly, where there is a will, there is a way.

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