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Editorial Note

Dear Readers,

Look in a book and you will see

Words, magic and mystery

Let this be a journey to cherish.

One full of dreams!



Since this is a small collection of articles, and pictures, we will strive to do our best in bringing forth something new and something exciting for our readers.

This month we have tried to collect articles from all quarters. Our creative thinkers, the students as always have been the main contributors, who are supported by our enthusiastic and dedicated teachers.

Read & Enjoy!

Benonin Johnson







"Failure will never overtake me if my determination to succeed is strong enough." - Og Mandino.

Success is not easy to achieve but it is neither impossible to. If we work hard and keep ourselves determined to reach our goals we can do anything. Failure is an inevitable part of our life, but only those people are successful who are able to learn from this failure.

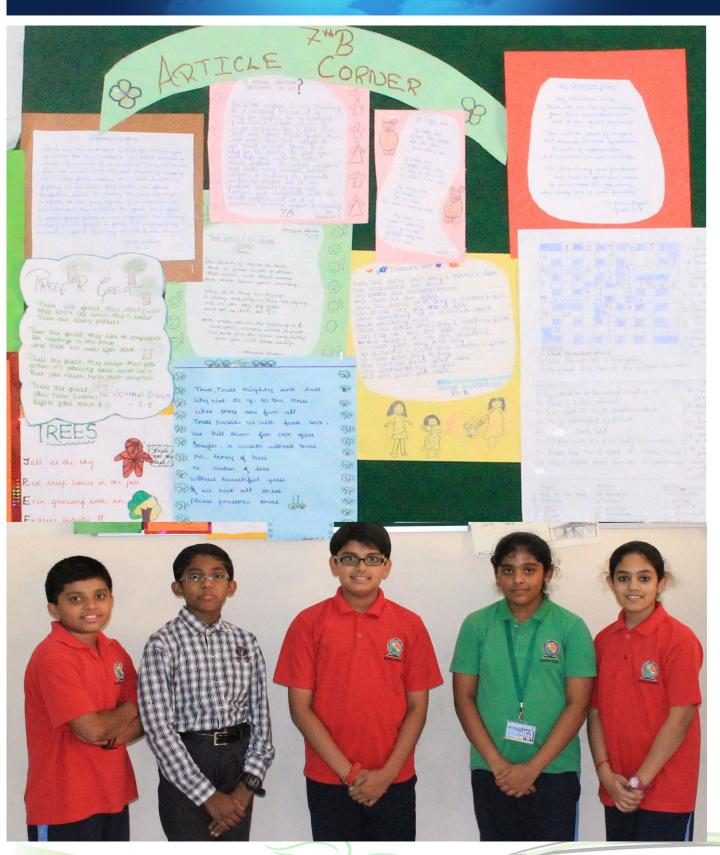
The School has now officially completed 11 years and every year has been a stepping stone towards greatness for NMS-DPS, and in this short span it has become one of the most well regarded educational institutions of Bahrain. We learn and grow every year into a better school, so has been the case for this year too. The school has achieved some great feats and some amazing achievements, not only in the field of Academics, but also in extra curricular activities. We have once again produced the island topper in the grade 12 board exams and also bagged numerous medals in the CBSE Clusters. Our students were able to bring laurels to the school due to the motivation of our loving Principal Sir and the dedication of our teachers who have guided us all year around.

Further, I would like the students to continue to exhibit their creativity through their articles and artwork every year for the school magazine.

I once again welcome all the parents and students to the new academic year 2015- 2016, and on behalf of the entire student council wish all the best for the upcoming Academic year.

Akash Praharaj. (Hear Boy, NMS-DPS)





UNLEASHING THE POWER WITHIN INDIA - IGNITED MINDS

(Interactive session with DR. APJ Abdul Kalam – held 6th January, 2015)

"Repeat after me children", he said, in a voice filled with conviction that seized the audiences' attention almost immediately.

"I will fly

I am born with potential

I am born with good ideals and dreams

I am born with greatness

I am born with wings

So I am not meant for crawling

I will fly, I will fly, I will fly..."

As I repeated this oath, a feeling of awe swept over me. Gripping the pen tightly, notepad in hand, I wrote down the priceless words of this individual, on his mission to ignite young minds, unearthing their potential that he recognizes pivotal in this expedition of the nation's development. With just these few words that left the listeners spell bound, the hall reflected an indomitable spirit of positivity as Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam empowered every budding flower in the audience to become the blossoms of change in the generations to come. The details of the session that continued are given as follows;

DR. KALAM'S ADDRESS

"An ignited mind that radiates virtue and intellect is the most powerful resource on the earth, above the earth and under the earth"

With a charming smile and an astonishing aura, the Missile Man of India, Dr. Kalam, instilled the aurora of imagination and the spark of innovation into our inquisitive minds. Emblematic of the Pole Star, the People's President emanated unparalleled knowledge and singular wisdom with every word he orated.

Addressing the teachers as lamps and lifeboats, he galvanized them into illuminating the lives of children by being perpetual seekers of intellectual integrity and universal compassion, fondly recalling his revered childhood mentor Sivasubramani lyer.



Elaborating on their indispensable role in molding the sunshine of tomorrow, he orated that the goal of teaching was not just the nurture of the top 10% of a class but also the upliftment of the bottom 10%. A trailblazing educationist himself, Dr. Kalam administered an eleven-point-oath for the teachers, revitalizing their paramount devotion towards articulating dreams and channelizing the unbridled potential of ignited minds by facilitating a multi-faceted, dynamic and value-oriented education in the 25000 hours of schooling.

Dr. Kalam also reflected on his vibrant Vision 2020 and emphasized on how the effervescent 356 million youth, amalgamated by an invincible spirit and coalesced into rendezvousing with its rightful destiny, can metamorphose our proud civilization into a force to be reckoned with in the near future. The crowning glory of a nation is its pioneering thinkers and pioneering thinkers stem from passionate readers. To cultivate a zestful appetite for reading, Dr. Kalam proposed all of us to inaugurate our own home libraries and to meticulously devote an hour each day to the paradise of literature.

THE INTERACTIVE SESSION

The India of the 21st century is shining, and surely has made its presence felt worldwide. However, the problems limiting the growth of the country (corruption is an example) still persist. If so is the case for the years to come, will India's vision 2020 come true? How can we as teachers channelize this?

As I have always said, the youth is our nation's future. Their potential is therefore fundamental to the nation's development. As teachers, the first step towards channelizing this potential is ensuring a fully covered syllabus with all concepts cleared. CCA must be encouraged to help children discover their interests and talents while developing values and competencies that will prepare them for a rapidly changing world. And of course, with teaching as your profession, it goes without saying that connecting with your students is of immense value in their journey.

In today's scenario, with new professions emerging, teaching certainly has lost its value as a profession. What according to you sir, will be the fate of students in the generations to come?

My teachers' only goal was to radiate values and knowledge. I was given a three dimensional approach to everything I was taught by them, from science to leadership skills. Although we cannot foretell the future, I strongly have faith in creating it. So your goal should just be confined to giving your best.



That should be your dream. And in the end, it really is all that matters.

Each student is unique and possesses different talents. How can this platform be identified?

No two children are similar. These dissimilarities can be noted not through talents solely, but through identifying the conceptualization of each child. You may pose questions in class, and notice that each child will differ in his/her way of answering. This approach that alters from student to student defines their knowledge with relation to the particular issue at hand.

What has been your most challenging experience as a teacher?

I was teaching a class of 80 students of different nationalities in US some time back. At the end of each class, I provided them with 20 minutes of questioning time. This encouraged a friendly approach and a fruitful discussion that gave my students an insight to 'out of the box' thinking. Once a girl named Stephany got up and asked me a question. She said, "Sir, I have read your book, 'Ignited Minds.' And I want to know what the biggest challenge is for you." I explained to her that my biggest challenge, the usage of science for the betterment of mankind has remain unchanged in all these years. For instance, the polio vaccine that was created with the aid of science and technology has saved the lives of millions. Science, as I believe, is the key to a future world we all wish to live in.

What according to you, sir, is the biggest challenge our nation faces today? (Vridhi Mathur - IX A)

The human overpopulation issue is the topic I see as most vital to solve in this expedition to create an India I have envisioned in the years to come. With a large population falling below the poverty line, our growth is limited, I believe. To conquer this problem, the simplest way out is lifting them up. For instance, small scale industries could be set up for generation of employment.

Do you think our vision of ten years down the line will positively be achieved? If so, what according to you, sir, are the necessary steps to attain this goal common to all citizens? (Benonin Johnson – XI A)

Of course it will! In fact, why wait for ten years down the line? Why not now, right this moment onwards? As I have stated many a times earlier, the ignited mind of the youth is pivotal in this expedition of India's development. Our objective should solely be unearthing the potential of these young minds. The capacity to be built is — "I can do it...We can do it...India can do it..."



Countless thoughts crossed my mind as I closed my eyes, breathing in the crisp morning air, progressively taking in the events of the day. Truly, they had left me enthralled, giving me something to dwell upon. Dr. Kalam resonated that we are born with wings and meant to soar the skies. Such was the humility of this pioneering luminary that the interaction with him felt like a rendezvous with God. Life occasionally gifts us magical mornings, with a new page, a fresh beginning in our story. And today, I was willing to write a great one. As I walked down the road, a smile spread across my face. "I can do it", I said to myself as I got into the car. The biggest adventure is living the life of your dreams. I now craved to follow them, make a wish, take a chance, and become the change, for I knew they'd lead the way...



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The Arithmetic Mean of Life

Those twinkling stars in the night sky, Remind me that I am a bird to fly, Up, above, the world so high, I shall cross every hurdle that comes by, And never stop dreaming till I die.

Ten minutes were left to midnight. As I looked ahead, I reflected on the optimism of a bright, new morning adorned with sunshine. As I stared back, I saw the burden, anguish and boredom of exam preparation. And then, as fate had in store, my conscience shook me, instructing me to focus on constructing yet another frequency distribution table. The umpteenth of the evening.

The regular routine followed. Calculating the class mark, forming the columns and entering the values. Even the pen, burdened by the gigantic load on its shoulders, had quit. So, I decided to take a break and capture the serene view outside from the little window of my compact room.

I glanced through the window. Twilight presented a breathtaking glimpse of nature. On one side, there were the laborious trees enjoying their blissful sleep in the wee hours of dawn, and on the other, there were my nocturnal dudes engrossed in their paranormal activities. Amidst the desolate silence of the spring morning, I thought. I pictured the frequency distribution table of life. There were infinite observations, including happiness, disappointment, passion, excitement, sorrow, determination, success and failure. They repeated quite a few times, making it hard to calculate the defining measure of central tendency. But, their arithmetic mean, without a doubt, was dreaming. I figured out that dreaming was a unique combination, the sigma of this unlimited multitude of the observations of life.

For the first time, I experienced unbridled happiness conquering my heart. This, by far, had been the best frequency table I had constructed.



The sweet thoughts which catalyze sound sleep at night are not your dreams. The daring, difficult ones which make you restless, breathless and run away with your sleep at a million miles per hour are the alphas, betas and gammas of your polynomial.

To dream is to be fearless, to never quit when the odds stack up against you, and to stay put even in the toughest of times. To dream is to be honest to yourself, listen to your heart, and channelize your potential towards your goal. To dream is to ignite a new spirit in you, the eagerness to succeed, and the enthusiasm to excel. To dream is to imagine, explore and discover the world of infinities. To dream is to live life to the fullest.

What does it take to dream big? The most important ingredient in the recipe of dreams is the courage to pay the price for taking risks and making unconventional choices.

An avid dreamer knows that to reach his dream, he has to overcome the toughest of obstacles and triumph over the trauma of losing. He embarks on the difficult path, a road full of thorns. But his faith, perseverance and determination towards achieving his goal, ensures that no challenge is too huge for him to conquer. Fearlessness and devotion towards a dream differentiate dreamers from others.

Remember, life is a complex term for simple dreams. It is a platform for you to showcase your potential, to discover your talent and to live your dream. Be focused to your goal, and cling on to it, no matter what happens. Never give up. Because quitters never win, and winners never quit. Discover happiness and strive for excellence, not success.

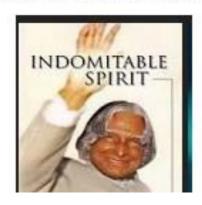
Above all, be an avid dreamer, a good learner and a true friend. Chase your dreams and erase your fears. Close your eyes, and wipe your tears. The woods may be lovely, dark and deep. But you have promises to keep, and miles to go before you sleep. And miles to go before you sleep.

Utso Roy X-A



QUESTION: Life is a mixture of unsolved problems, ambiguous success and amorphous defeats. So what should we do when we get discouraged in life?

Dr A.P.J. Abdul Kalam: Based on my experience, when a failure of problem occurs in life, you should become the captain of the problem, defeat the problem and succeed. So do not allow the problem to be your captain.



- Rosalind Agasti



MY FATHER

He came in my life,
To make me better
He came in this World,
To sail me further.
He is the Protector,
For me and my Soul
He is the best selector,
For me and my Goal.
His words are harsh,
But he is kind in heart
I love him a lot And can't live without him apart.



SHAMITA RANSINGH GRADE IV D

Earthquake

It was a normal day
As tourists found their way
Through narrow, never-ending roads
And looked...

At the massive chunk of history
That was placed before their eyes
It wasn't long until they heard
A painful, blood curdling cry...

That's when the ground cried out in sorrow And shook with every sob It cried like there was no tomorrow Like all the hope was lost...

With it, it took us
Into the depths of its pain!
All sense had been lost
And there was nothing to gain...

We shook; we fell
And some never got back again
We shared our sorrow with the earth
Who shared with us its pain.

Naila XI B





एक छोटी बड़ी सोंच

कभो लगे सब अपन। है
पुरे दिल से मन की बात शूनती ज़ाउं
खयालोकी गहराई की अनंत शहर होकर
सातों समंदर की पार लगाऊ
भूल से भी आंख ना खोलुं पराए पनतीका
सूरज की तरह ज़लें चलु
अपनाते हुए सारे गिले शिकवे
सचकी हर लहर से खुद को डुबोय रखू
कड़वी रस की एक एक बूंद को
अपनी मिटी चाहत से अमृत बनादूं
छोटे छोटे आशां औं को अभिलाषा बनादुं
सारे सोच को कलम कागज का माध्यम दूं

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