



Events

- Scholastics
- Interschool Quiz contest
- CNBC Awaz for grade-10
- Camp Lakeside- "Nilshi"
- Training Teacher by Scholastics
- Nehru Science Centre Training for teachers.

Upcoming Events

- Inter-clan calendar exhibition
- Sports Day
- Christmas Celebration

With the winters setting in, the festive season at its peak the school too is involved in conduct of activities and evaluating the months gone by.

As education involves the creative process of knowledge construction. The curriculum adopted are designed to promote enquiry based and experiential learning through structured and unstructured activities that not only concretize learning, but also stimulate higher order thinking skills, creative as well as critical thinking skills. Training is an integral part of personal and professional growth and must be approached with due sobriety and seriousness.

Albert Einstein once said that 'everything has changed except our thinking'. It is this thinking of ours that needs to be altered, modified, reshaped. To give our children the ability to think out of the box, we need to set free their imagination, not shackle it with convention. It was again **Einstein** who said, 'imagination is more important than knowledge, for knowledge is limited, whereas imagination encompasses the whole world'. We must understand and accept that today's imagination is tomorrow's reality. Who would have believed in the 1950s that one day man would not only walk on the moon, but also devise methods of trying to contact extra-terrestrial life? X-men and Star Trek may not really be that far-fetched after all! Hence life skills and emotional intelligence need to be developed to better understand the students' needs, learning styles, constraints, limitations, shortcomings, potential as well as talents so that learning and creativity is not limited to any boundaries.

Until we meet next time!

Harpreet Randhawa



News from Smart Start- Pre-primary of SVKM International School

Animal Day

The "animal day" was organized on Friday 28th November' 09 for the pre-primary children.

All the pre-primary children wore the animal mask which were allotted to them. The animals given were:

- Pet animals - dog, cat, rabbit
- Wild animals - lion, tiger, giraffe, elephant and bear
- Domestic animals - cow, sheep, goat, pig, horse

The children were very excited to play games like feeding the cat with the fish and feeding the rabbit with the carrots. They even acted and sang rhymes based on animals.

Domestic animal finger puppet which were made by Jr.Kg students and fish wind chimes which were made by the Nursery students were sent as tokens of remembrance.



Children's Day Celebration

All the Pre-Primary children assembled to watch a movie "Finding the Nemo", which was followed by a 'Magic Show' on the screen.

Students played games in their respective classroom and danced on some Bollywood music. They were given return gifts and party caps.



PUPPET SHOW

A puppet show was organised for the children on 12.9.09 (Saturday) in the Junior Kg foyer. The story 'Kaaga and the Coconuts' was enacted with the help of the puppets. The children enjoyed watching the story come alive through puppets. The children were enthralled with the songs used for introducing the puppets that were made up by the teachers.

All in all the children had a fantastic time and were excited with the show.



Grade Nine

EDUCATIONAL TRIP TO NEHRU SCIENCE CENTRE

DATE: 16/9/09

We visited the Nehru Science Centre on the sixteenth of September as part of an educational trip from our school. We left for the Centre from school at about 8:30 in the morning in a school bus. We were very excited and enthusiastic to see the Centre. On our way, our physics teacher showed us wheels under flyovers and we observed the arrangement against metal expansion in summer. We also passed the Bandra-Worli sea link and saw how the railings of the sea link were laid mechanically based on the principle of thermal expansion. We reached the Centre after an hour later. Unfortunately, we had to wait in the bus for half an hour as the Centre hadn't been opened yet. Hence, some of us went with our biology teacher to buy some snacks from a nearby store. We ate the snacks together. By the time the Centre had been opened. Our teacher bought the tickets and then we went inside.

First of all, we saw some old engines of older trains kept out in the open. Then we saw some weights, pulleys and some other simple machines. Then, we visited the ground floor of the Centre. It was marvelous. There was a mini vortex in a glass chamber and the movement of electricity between 2 rods. Then we visited the first floor. It contained many mechanical objects such as a giant keyboard which made and conducted different kinds of sounds and noises. There were some switches in the corner which made different human sounds such as "OO", "EH" and "AA". On the second floor, we saw many kinds of mirrors and different kinds of illusions. There was chamber in which we had to lie down, and when we got up; we saw our frozen shadows on the floor. In another chamber, different colored shadows were formed. We also saw a periscope and a kaleidoscope. We also played a quiz. The third floor was on communication and technology. There were more than 500 models based on physics at the NSC and it was difficult to observe all of them in a short time.

Then, after visiting all the floors, we went to see a 3-D movie in the Centre itself. We were given 3-D glasses for viewing the movie. The movie was based on animals. Then, again we had some snacks and left for school. It was a fantastic experience. We learned so many principles of physics by practical experience with models. and it will be embedded in our memory for ever.

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THE CREATIVE MINDS WORKSHOP

On 30th Oct a workshop was held for students of class VI and VII by Ms Jeeva in the nursery foyer. In this, students were introduced to the concept of opening their mind to creative learning methods. They were made to act out poems, make their own poems or complete the existing ones and thus the creative energies were set in motion. Next she told them about advertisements and how they influence the consumer to buy products. The children were then asked to come up with innovative and interesting ideas like the Magic Mirror, ZimZam the clothes-changer and the Golden Pill. The workshop included a lot of interactive stuff and experiential learning methods. Eg they had to make a sequel to the nursery rhyme of Jack and Jill and Ms Jeeva was surprised to find that the students came up with unusual ideas as a rap, an evening gown and a potter's story!

"Joy of Giving"

Our school participated in the "Joy of Giving" Contest 27th Sept to 3rd Oct, which had the theme of giving to society a little of what one has. The basic purpose of this contest was to make students realize the importance of all those who help to make our lives easier and smoother and acknowledge their contribution.

- a. Teaching computers to school peons and maids, thanking the sweepers and other community-helpers through a street-play—these were a few of the activities which our students conducted.
- b. As part of this contest, we explained to our students the crucial and important role played by our soldiers and Defence Personnel who ensure our safety and well-being. Hence students felt that they should send "Thank you" cards to these soldiers who guard our borders day and night, separated from family and without any of the comforts which all of us enjoy. These cards are a sincere expression of their gratitude towards the self-less services rendered to the country.

Achievers



Vanshita Kapadia of Class II of our school has won at the Zonal Level of this year's all for kids Mumbai Inter School Elocution Championship and has qualified for the City Finals. What a tremendous achievement for our tiny tot! We wish her all the best for the Finals.



Mihir Mehta of Grade-10 of SVKM won Silver medal for Kumite [fighting] and Kata[individual performance] which was held at Andheri Sports by - VII N-BS-I-I Mumbai Inter-School Sports Karate Tournament-2009



Gaurav Jagiasibawa of Grade-9 of SVKM won i-Pod for Aqua Regia '09 Science Quiz which was held in Mumbai



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Come December and you can smell the festive season in the air! We have lots to rejoice about.... Firstly the great news that our school has been chosen as one among top 100 schools by the Design for Giving contest from among 1300 entries, no mean achievement this ! Our heartiest congrats to all our students and teachers as well as our Co-ordinator Ms Harpreet Randhawa who has been guiding us at every step with her invaluable ideas and planning. And our students are back from a very invigorating camp at Nilshi where they spent three fun-filled and enlightening days. In addition you must have read about our young achievers in different fields bringing laurels to the school. So wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a glorious New Year! Hope to see you all refreshed and charged up to enter another year of glory and success.

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Our actions determine our disposition