



Junior School Quarterly Newsletter

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ASIAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL



Message from the Counsellor

COVID-19 has affected all of us, no matter how old we are. Reactions to the pandemic, including school closures, turning homes into offices and closing of all entertainment points, have essentially put life on hold, which indirectly affected the young minds in various ways. Depending on how long the situation lasts, feelings of depression appear which leads to social withdrawal in children. The lack of routine is probably one of the biggest factors affecting children. Another big thing is the loss of social contact. Children missing their grandparents, playmates and friends have equally affected their mental wellbeing. Younger children are not even capable of expressing their views by themselves which has created a void in them. To accept the recommended and necessary barriers has seemed difficult for the little ones to accept.

Fortunately, people including children, are very flexible and adaptable beings. There are many healthy outcomes also which has been observed amidst this pandemic. Although, there is no doubt that COVID-19 will have a long-term mental health implication. However, its positive influence in building a strong bond in children cannot be overlooked.

Mrs. Moon Banerjee (Primary Counsellor)



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Special Assembly on Gandhi Jayanti

Mahatma Gandhi or more lovingly known as Bapuji by all is internationally acknowledged for his doctrine of non-violence that led to India to its glorious freedom. 2nd October every year is celebrated as Gandhi Jayanti. To revere this day, the Primary Department had conducted a **Special Assembly** to commemorate the Mahatma's life and teachings on 1st October, 2020, over Google Meet with the students of class III. The students had organized a very warm morning assembly. Some of the students had dressed up as Mahatma Gandhi and spoke about his life history and some interesting facts about Gandhiji. The assembly came to an end with our National Anthem presented by a student under the guidance of our music teacher (Mr. Aranya Nag). Students actively took part in the programme and were imbued with Gandhian values and thoughts and vowed to become good citizens of India and this World.



Theme of the Month

October – Festivals & Gandhi Jayanti

November – Diwali

December – Christmas



Show and Tell

Show and Tell Competition for Grades II to IV was held through Google Meet. The students actively participated and it was conducted to encourage them to develop their speaking skills. In this competition every student was dressed up like different food items, which was used in an innovative way to describe it. Show and Tell Competition helped the students to gain confidence and improve their oral skills. Everybody appreciated their efforts. It was very tough for the judges to adjudge the students. The presentation and efforts of the students were worth appreciating.

Vernacular Recitation Competition (II-IV)

এশিয়ান ইন্টারন্যাশনাল স্কুলের প্রাথমিক বিভাগ গত ১৬.১০.২০২০ তারিখে ভার্চুয়াল একটি আবৃত্তি প্রতিযোগিতার আয়োজন করেছিল। হিন্দী ও বাংলা ভাষার দ্বিতীয়, তৃতীয় ও চতুর্থ শ্রেণীর ছাত্রছাত্রীরা এই প্রতিযোগিতায় অংশগ্রহণ করেছিল। কবিতাকে আকর্ষণীয় ভঙ্গিতে শ্রোতার সামনে উপস্থাপন করার শিল্পকেই বলা হয় আবৃত্তি। সেই কারণে একজন আবৃত্তি কারের মধ্যে স্বরের বৈচিত্র্য, স্পষ্ট উচ্চারণ, ভাব, বিরতি, ছন্দ এই সকল বৈশিষ্ট্যগুলি থাকা বাঞ্ছনীয়। বলা বাহুল্য আমাদের ছোটো ছোটো সদস্যরা তাদের সাধ্যমতো পারদর্শিতা প্রদর্শন করেছেন। অনুষ্ঠানে বিচারক হিসেবে উপস্থিত ছিলেন Mrs. Srestha Dutta, Mrs. Smita Das, Mrs. Shiba Falak Amin, Mrs. Harpreet Kaur. তাঁরা ছাত্রছাত্রীদের বলারভঙ্গি, উচ্চারণ, ভাব ও অন্যান্য বৈশিষ্ট্যের নিরীখে প্রতি শ্রেণী থেকে প্রথম, দ্বিতীয় ও তৃতীয় স্থানধিকারীকে নির্বাচন করেন। যে উদ্যম ও উৎসাহ নিয়ে ছাত্রছাত্রীরা এই প্রতিযোগিতায় অংশগ্রহণ করেছে তা সত্যিই প্রশংসনীয়। এর দ্বারা ছাত্রছাত্রীদের সুপ্ত প্রতিভা বিকশিত হবে।

Virtual Rangoli Making Competition (II-IV)

A **Rangoli Competition** was conducted for the students of standard II, III and IV in a virtual manner. The entire corridor & floors were decked up with beautiful, creative designs by the students. The creative expression of art through colours was a feast to the eyes. All the students were free to choose a topic/design of their own. Few flaunted with colours while others chose materials like flowers and other homemade materials.

The students took the online process sportingly. It was a sheer pleasure and a great experience for all the students.



Diya Decoration Activity

In order to bring out the creative talents of students and celebrate the Festival of Lights in its true spirit, the **Diya Decoration Competition** was organised for Grades II, III and IV.

The main objective of this competition was to explore the student's imagination and creativity. Most of the students participated enthusiastically in the competition. They displayed their creativity by beautifully decorating earthen diyas with colours. The competition was organized online and the students were very excited to participate, overcoming all odds.

Children's Day Celebration

"There is no garden as beautiful as childhood". Even in the pandemic situation, the day marking childhood was celebrated with fun and frolic at Asian International School through Google Meet on **28th November, 2020**.

The occasion was graced by **Mr. Jimmy Shergill**, who was the chief guest for programme. The Principal of our school, **Mrs. Vijaylakshmi Kumar**, delivered her message to the students. After which the students posed their questions to our chief guest Mr. Shergill. A beautiful message on children's day was given by the Headmistress, **Mrs. Simran Sanghera**.

Teachers gave various performances like music, dance, drama for the students in order to exhibit their love and affection for them. A 'Skit on the School Life in the Present Pandemic Situation' and a 'Magic Show' was organised. The program ended with a bright hope of celebrating this and every other event from the premise of our school.

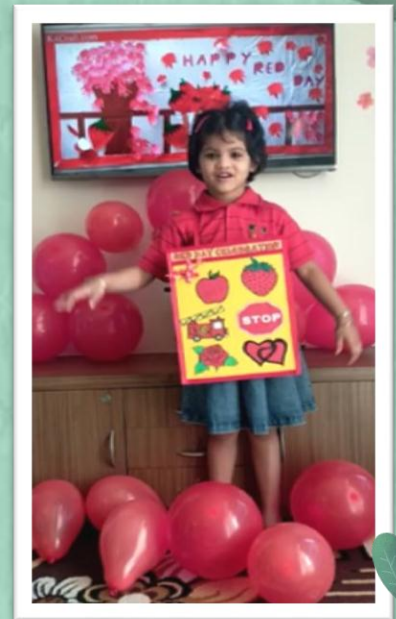


Red Day Celebration

Can we imagine the world without colours? Not at all! Nature itself has many colours, which makes the world look beautiful. Colours are indeed the smiles of nature. With this objective the students from LKG to Grade I, celebrated “Red Day” on, **5th December, 2020**, through Google Meet.

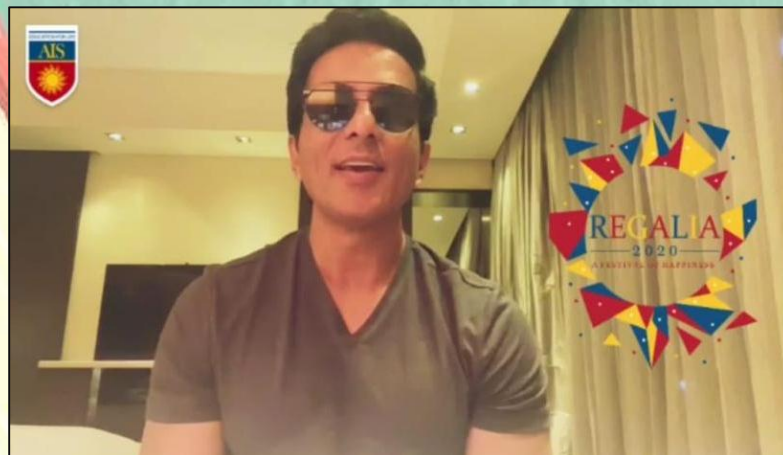
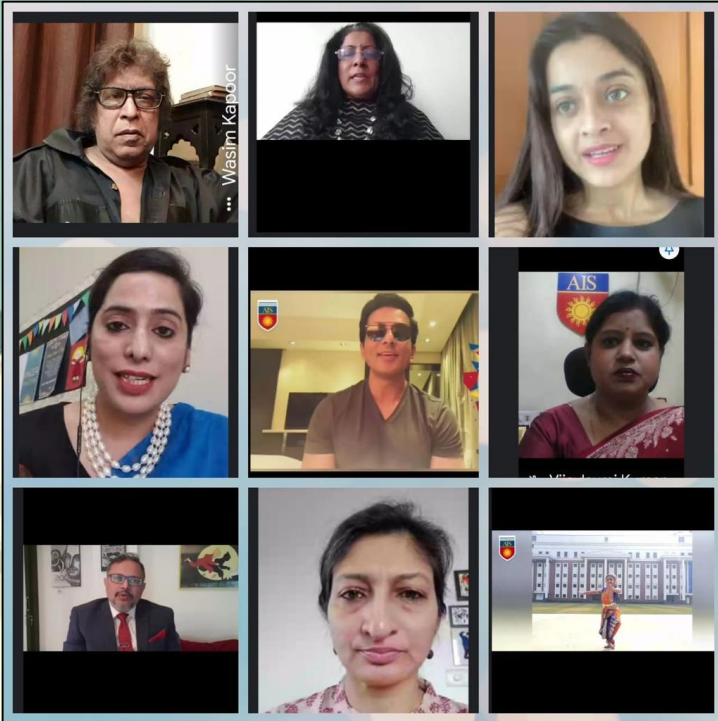
The ‘Red Day’ celebration was a wonderful learning activity which helped children to understand the concept of Primary Colours. Red colour also signifies Love and Compassion.

To mark this day very special, students actively participated in “Rhymes”, “Craft Making” and “Show and Tell” activity. Selected students of LKG and Grade I got an opportunity to say a rhyme or speak about their favourite red object, respectively. Students of UKG showed their creative skill by making some crafts related to the colour red. Overall, it was a fun and everlasting learning experience for the students



Regalia 2020

Amidst the pandemic, on **27th December, 2020**, Asian International School had celebrated their **Grand Regalia Event** Globally with great enthusiasm and zeal. Various schools from all over the world had participated whole heartedly towards the success of this grand event. The triumph was possible by the relentless efforts of our Principal - **Mrs. Vijaylakshmi Kumar** and of our Headmistress - **Mrs. Simran Sanghera**. **Mr. Sonu Sood** - who is an Indian film actor, producer and humanitarian, who worked rigorously during the COVID-19 Pandemic, was the esteemed Guest of Honour for the event. In his speech, he emphasized on Moral education, responsibility of students towards their parents and also towards the Nation. Esteemed judges like **Dr. Debanjan Chakraborty**, **Dr. Swati Papat Vats**, **Ms. Supriya Newar**, **Mr. Wasim Kapoor** and **Mrs. Darshana Banik** were present to judge the events. The Guest of Honour and all the esteemed judges were very much impressed by the impeccable performance showcased by the students across all over the country through their dance, art, drama and creative activities.



INSIGHTS

Scholastic Activities
Class LKG - IV



At a glance...

- Activity on 'Alphabets'
- Activity on 'Pet & Wild Animal'
- Activity on 'Sand Play'
- Mind Map on the 'Concept of Zero'
- Role Play Activity
- Activity on 'Playful Reading & Writing'
- Mind Map on 'Describing Words'



- ## At a glance...
- Table Wheel Making on 'Multiplication'
 - Beam Balance Model
 - Sketch Noting on the topic 'Air'
 - Crafting for Christmas
 - Activity on the topic 'Time'
 - Activity on 'Ritu' (Seasons)
 - Board Game Activity
 - Activity on Animals
 - The Flower Art & Interdisciplinary Activity



AS IN THE NEWS

School activities regularly caught the media's attention. Significant coverage by various media houses.



SWACHCH SPREE

Everyone must be their own scavenger" - MK Gandhi

It is well documented how Gandhiji gave utmost importance to sanitation and hygiene. But we raced ahead without giving it much thought until the pandemic stopped us in our tracks and reminded us of the basics: wash hands, sanitise your surroundings, pick up the broom yourself without waiting for help and clean up the toilets yourself

More than a century ago, the Father of the Nation had emphasized that sanitation was more important than independence when he said that he'll not let anyone walk through his mind with dirty feet. Today, we are yet to achieve the sanitation standards that he had spelt out. The current pandemic is a knock to the human race to wake up and act before it's too late.

Simran Sanghara, Headmistress, Asian International School, West Bengal

In this unprecedented pandemic scenario, where every human has become an 'untouchable,' let us ponder over Gandhiji's letter to Nehru in 1945: "When a moth approaches its doom it whirrs around faster till it is burnt up." Let us not be a moth but a 'Troty and light ourselves up by abiding by the Gandhian principles. The new normal demands personal hygiene, community hygiene and changes in lifestyle.

P Samithra, English Facilitator, The Geesky World School, Chennai

AS LONG AS you do not take the broom and the bucket in your hands, you cannot make your towns and cities clean. - MK Gandhi

AIS kids put artistic skills on display

Young brilliant AISians bask in the joy of learning through fun participation in 'Community Helper's Week and Garden of Good Manners'. The Pre-Primary department of Asian International School has celebrated the Community Helper's week in which classes L2G to L4 took part. The activity was done during virtual classes where the students dressed up as different community helpers and said a few lines about them. Students presented themselves as doctor, teacher, policeman, postman, farmer and other community volunteers. This activity helped students learn about society and people helping us, and thanked them for their service. With this activity, students were given a chance to display their hidden talents by expressing themselves with neatness and confidence. The 'activity' Garden of Good Manners' was also conducted on the same week to emphasize having fundamental skills of self-awareness, empathy, self-confidence, interpersonal relationship, public speaking, creativity, etc amongst its students. Little Asians were amazed to see how some pieces of paper transformed into a beautiful garden teaching them about some of the good manners that everyone should include in their daily lives. These activities triggered the imagination of students and enhanced their creative skills. The students carried out these activities with great zeal and enthusiasm. The outcome and display of their work were wonderful.

Students feed the needy

Propelled by its motto of 'Education for Life', Asian International School encourages value-based education as a key component in shaping the thoughts of the students right from an elementary level. The initiative taken by class II students walk an extra mile with a PBL (project-based learning) activity on "Reduce Food Wastage". In various sources when discussed the reduction of food wastage, a direct link is claimed with reducing worldwide hunger, malnourishment and poverty. This seeks into consideration that feeding hungry people gives more peace than throwing away the leftover food. As said by Mother Teresa, "If you can't feed a hundred people, then just feed one." The students volunteered to feed the hungry and needy near their houses in this lockdown. AISians with the help of their parents took a little amount of time in providing food for the stray animals and also for a nearby street area. AISians thanks to the parents to have supported the cause! "The best of all charities is to feed the hungry person," said Prophet Mohammad. This was an initiative to raise an awareness on how to serve the needy and also stop wasting food. During the virtual sessions teachers have also provided practical ways on reducing wastage of food which are mentioned below:

- Avoid taking too much food at once on your plate while eating.
- Think twice before throwing food in a dustbin. Vegetable scraps may be used to make soups or even in baked dishes.
- One must always make a grocery list before shopping to avoid overbuying.
- Help your mother to organise the kitchen and in storing fruits and vegetables in a place.

Tiny tots become flowers in role play activity

Amidst the pandemic, Asian International School strives for holistic early education with hands-on activities in the form of experiential learning. The pre-primary section of AIS conducted virtual role-play activity for tiny-tots recently. The activity was based on the concept of various flowers, their colours and special features. This role-play activity was specially designed for child development as it builds communication, confidence and creativity with the role they play. It was a completely child-led performance which encouraged them to be creative, handle props well and exploring their interests. Students wore the uniform along with beautiful cut-outs of different flowers. They recited the name of the flowers, their colours and few lines on features related to those flowers during the virtual class. In the online classes, students need fun-filled sessions that satisfy their curiosity in learning, discovering, exploring in a play method. This activity on role-playing of flowers was an introduction to the various flowers in a garden for EYV subjects to enhance their virtual learning and public-speaking skills. Every child is a different kind of flower and all together they make this world a beautiful garden.

Top 25: Kolkata Schools

SCHOOL NAMES	RANK	SCORE
The Heritage School	1	100
Sanjay Public School, Park Circus	2	95
St. Xavier's College School	3	90
La Martiniere for Boys	4	85
St. Xavier's School, Beliaghata	5	80
St. Xavier's School, Beliaghata	6	75
St. Xavier's School, Beliaghata	7	70
St. Xavier's School, Beliaghata	8	65
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St. Xavier's School, Beliaghata	10	55
St. Xavier's School, Beliaghata	11	50
St. Xavier's School, Beliaghata	12	45
St. Xavier's School, Beliaghata	13	40
St. Xavier's School, Beliaghata	14	35
St. Xavier's School, Beliaghata	15	30
St. Xavier's School, Beliaghata	16	25
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RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY is the systematic approach to the collection, analysis, and interpretation of data. It involves a series of steps that guide the researcher from the initial problem statement to the final conclusion.

सन्मार्ग : "हर छात्र पत्रकार"

विद्यालय : एशियन इंटरनेशनल स्कूल
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सन्मार्ग "हर छात्र पत्रकार"

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Bollywood actor Jimmy Shergill interacted with students of Asian International School at a programme recently held online to mark the Children's Day, in association with Young Metro. From doling out advice to mouthing a dialogue from his hit film *Tanu Weds Manu*, Shergill kept the children entertained. "We should not try to follow others, but carve out our own path and destiny. Fight your battles your way. It's your life and your time zone. Don't waste it by trying to be someone else," said the actor to his virtual audience. According to him, who connected from a film set, his childhood memories especially the ones at school are his best.

The students were also taken on a virtual tour of their school compound to relive the happier times. The teachers also put up a humorous play on online classes and its hurdles. "Stay happy and curious always. You teach us to be optimistic even in the most difficult situations," said principal Vijaylaxmi Kumar.

Kolkata Schools : Zonal Ranking

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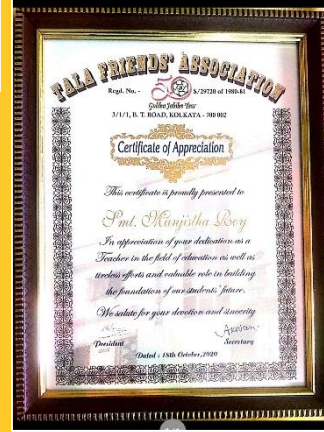
The Imaginative Cracker

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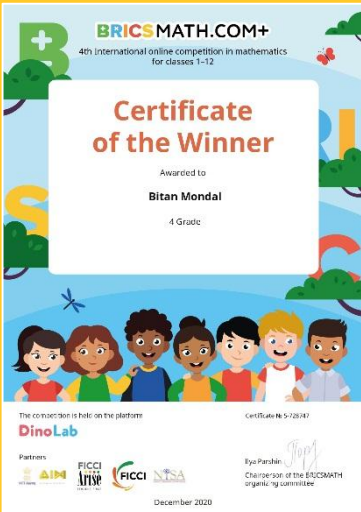
TEACHERS' ACCOMPLISHMENTS & ACHIEVEMENTS

"Teaching is the one profession that creates all other professions." This quote really signifies that teachers are the source of inspiration. They encourage students to live better lives and become excellent leaders in their chosen paths. In cognizance with the prelude few of the efforts are being applauded with several appreciations.



STUDENTS' ACCOMPLISHMENTS & ACHIEVEMENTS

The Awards and Achievements accredited by the young learners has not only enhanced the glory of the school but has also inspired them to work with mounting dedication to explore and excel. Their confidence has heightened with each endeavour and had also borne fruitful results.



APPRECIATIONS

Many Thanks for your encouraging words of appreciation!

Today we have experienced a wonderful PTM with our respected HARSHA madam. She took the meeting very sincerely and make us very comfortable to share our experience and problem regarding Online classes and many more. Harsha madam always available to solve our problem in any time. We are thankful to our respected Headmistress madam and our beloved Harsha madam for this care, guidance and helping hand to educate our children in a very smooth way during this pandemic period. I feel very much proud to be a part of AIS. THANKS AGAIN TO OUR HEADMISTRESS MADAM AND THE ENTIRE TEAM OF AIS FOR THEIR COOPERATION.

Puja Yadav Santra

Respected madam,

I, Smt. Samarпита Banerjee, mother of Pratyush Banerjee class 1A, am very glad to inform you that my son is very happy to get Harsha Bania ma'am as his class teacher.

Harsha Bania ma'am is very caring, loving and full of patience towards her students. My son feels very happy and homely in each of her classes and so he never wants to miss her classes. He is very much inspired by a beautiful remake " SHINING STAR " gifted by Harsha ma'am. I myself also motivated to watch the learning process in an aesthetic way by Harsha ma'am as well as the other teachers.

My son is very lucky to have all the teachers, who are doing their level best to maintain the academic structure throughout this session in this pandemic situation.

Yours sincerely,

Smt. Samarпита Banerjee (Mother of Pratyush Banerjee)
Class I, Section A.

Mam,

With due respect it is to inform you that a cordial blessing is bestowed upon us on the eve of children's day from all the teachers of your school. Being a parent I am obliged and thankful to you. My ward not only enjoyed the program but the dedication and the effort of all the teachers has overwhelmed her too.

Not to forget the special performance of the beloved teachers as us. It is hilarious and humorous.

Thanking you for your endeavours.

Yours sincerely,

Mother of Adwitiya Chakraborty
Class III, Section C.

Dear Madam,

This is to inform you that the program arranged by the school on the above mentioned subject have been enjoyed by all of us. This is an excellent program which has been attended by my kids Romit Ghosh and Ankit Ghosh with lots of attention and interest.

We all appreciate such initiative taken by the school. The activities (song, dance, online class drama, magic show etc.) performed by the teachers are really commendable. This is the best gift to the children in these pandemic days as they have very less option of enjoyment.

Thanking you.

Regards

Jaydev Ghosh & Manali Ghosh, (Parents of Romit Ghosh & Ankit Ghosh)

Respected Mam

The Children's Day program of Asian International School is awesome. The students as well as parents like us enjoy the program very much. Especially the performance of all teachers in this program is fabulous. Overall participation of all students and teachers are very fine. Thanking you to organize such an enjoyable program.

With regards,

Anupam Roy, (Parents of Arna Roy)
Class IV, Section A.