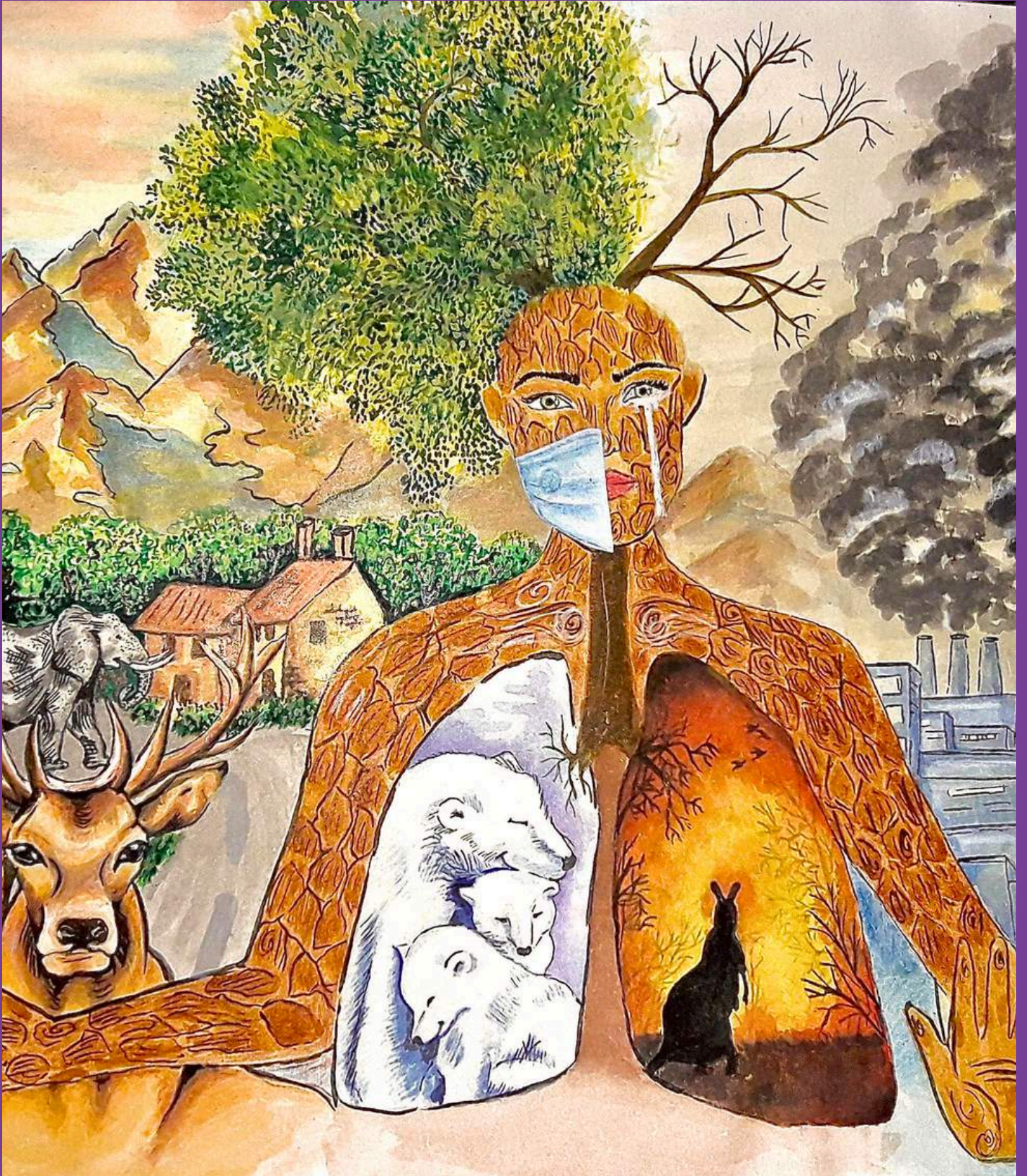


# THINKER'S LEAF



- Kaushiki Kukreti, XII PCM

## Editor's Message

**April**

Dear Readers,

As we embrace the beauty of April, let's embark on a journey of self-discovery through the power of reading. The habit of mindful reading is not just a pastime but a transformative tool for personal growth. In the pages of Thinker's Leaf, we invite you to explore diverse narratives, insightful articles, and thought-provoking pieces that nurture your intellect and imagination.

Contributing to our magazine, provides an avenue for creative expression, fostering a holistic development essential for every student. Your words have the power to inspire, educate, and ignite change. Let's cultivate the habit of reading and writing, for in them lie the seeds of wisdom and self-discovery. Happy reading, and may this month be filled with enriching experiences and new perspectives.

- Shreya Aswal, XII PCB

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## EARTH DAY CELEBRATION

In our entire solar system, Earth is the only planet that sustains life. Through ages, earth has provided us with every kind of resource available to make our life as smooth as possible. Be it fresh drinking water, enough oxygen or proper climate to Harbour life. Earth has given us everything we need. Humans have accepted all the resources available but with time their needs increased. In this process of taking away resources from the Earth, we humans are not just drying out resources but are also harming Mother Earth.

All these factors lead to introducing a particular day for the world to honour our planet and protect it.

Every year on April 22, the world observes World Earth Day. It is the day to raise awareness about taking care of the earth and doing everything we can to protect it. The first Earth day was observed on April 22, 1970. World Earth Day gained International recognition in 1990. This day draws attention to issues like global warming and depletion of earth's natural resources.

On this day people get involved in various activities like planting trees, cleaning up litter and rivers. Many programs like essay writing and drawing competitions are conducted in schools and colleges to celebrate Earth Day. The 3Rs( Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle) waste management strategy is the only way to achieve sustainable development and safeguard natural resources. We must take time to celebrate Earth day in our own way. Whether it's picking up litter on our daily walk, composting our kitchen scraps, banning use of plastic, using renewable resources of energy or using energy efficient appliances. Every small contribution we make to preserve the earth and its ecology makes a difference. We all have moral obligations to save our planet and make it a safer and healthier place to live. On this Earth Day let's pledge to do our part in protecting our planet Earth.



### Our Environment



O Earth? Mother Earth?  
We thank you for everything you do.  
Along with unlimited Love,  
You care for us too.  
To protect us, you are always on duty  
not only for one, but the whole community.  
We are alive because of you.  
We are selfish in whatever we do  
But yours is pure and true.  
You give shelter to many lives  
and also make sure no one is in pain.  
Even if we do the least for you,  
we always gain an environment  
a home for every living Organism.  
We should plant more and more trees  
and make the earth pollution free.



- Darsh Lekhwar, VII

## Events of the Month

### Commencement Of New Session



New session was kicked off from April 6th, 2024. The students were full of zeal to study in their new classes, to meet their teachers and make new friends.

### Blissful Baisakhi



The little tots of Manava Bharati had an amusing celebration of Baisakhi. They also got to learn the significance of harvesting in our culture.

### Science Lab Activity for class VI



The students of class VI were taken for lab activity. The teacher made them aware about the up-to-date equipments and scientific researches.

### Student Interaction Programme



Dr. Rajeshwar Mishra had an engaging session with the senior class students. He addressed the students with new ways of learning and pragmatic approach towards life.

### Teachers' Workshop



The eminent Dr. Rajeshwar Mishra conducted a four day workshop for teachers. He imparted a great deal of knowledge to the facilitators of Manava Bharati.

### Funny Races



On 12th of April, the sports department organised fun and frolic funny races for the classes I to VIII. Races like zigzag, lemon spoon and as well as normal races were held.

## Creative writing

### SPRING

A light exists in spring,  
Not present in any other time of the year,  
Especially when March is scarcely here.

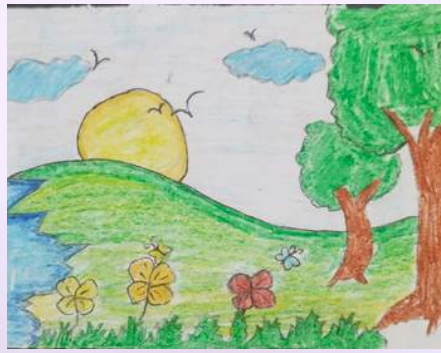
A color stands abroad solitary hills  
That science cannot overtake,  
But human nature heeds.

It waits upon the lavender;  
It shows the furthest gorge,  
The furthest slope we know;  
Almost speaks to me.

Then, as horizons step,  
Or beams depart away,  
Without the formula of sound,  
It passes, and we stay;

A quality of less,  
Affecting our content,  
As if trade had suddenly encroached  
Upon a sacrament.

- Rudraksh, VIII A



- Palaksha, VIII A



- Anshul, VIII B

### THE TIME OF SPRING

The wind swings the grass  
And the grass swings,  
And told everybody that,  
This is the time of spring.  
The tree told this to bushes  
And the bushes told the bee,  
After that the bee sings a song  
"that we make a sound  
which is like a bell rings,  
And we are happy because  
the winter has ended  
and it is the time of spring.

- Anshul, VIII B



- Suhani, VIII A

### NINE NIGHTS OF NAVARATRI



Navaratri is a divine phase  
With nine nights of ablaze,

Goddess Durga's Grace makes world amaze

Vanquishing the darkness and negative with greatness,



The nine nights with each divine form  
Feeling the might of Goddess Durga, that we adore,  
In Navaratri's glow, we feel blown with happiness  
Devotees gather for nine Great Goddesses,

We Honor the divine, with incense and flame  
In Navaratri's glory, we admire their names,  
Through many battles told, we see guiding light unfold  
With mantras and prayers, we grow and glow,

Navaratri 's arrival with harmony in Universe  
With flowers and fruits, we offer our devotion  
Navaratri is of divine lights, with nine nights.

- Vedant Singh Kushwah, IX A

### THE COWS & THE LION

Five cows lived in a small forest. They ate fresh grass in a large green meadow and were kind friends. They decided to work together in unity so the lions couldn't attack them for food. One day, the five cows fought and each one started to eat grass in a different place. The lions decided to seize the opportunity and killed them one by one. **Moral:** Unity is Strength. - Palaksha VIII A

### THE GREEDY SON

Once upon a time, there was a Brahman living in Dholakpur. The Brahman went to gather some wood from the forest. While in the forest, a black snake bit the Brahman. When he returned home, he gave some milk to the snake. In return, the snake gave him a gold coin. For the next 3 or 4 days, the snake gave the Brahman a gold coin daily. The Brahman told his wife and son about this. The following day, the Brahman fell ill with pitaya fever and instructed his son to give milk to the snake. However, the son was greedy and planned to kill the snake. He took an axe with him but was bitten by the snake and died.

**Moral:** Do not be greedy.

- Arnav Rawat, VII B

## Learning Life Skills

### FINANCIAL LITERACY



On the 24th of April 2024 a session on FINANCIAL LITERACY was conducted by Mr. Ankit Bisht (PGT Economics) in which students were clarified about the handling of the information regarding the finances, investments, passwords and they were acquainted about the online frauds taking place in the country, the scam and fraudulent activities taking place almost on daily basis striking the news headlines, the students took keen interest and were found to be very interrogative during the session, the students promised not to share any financial information, OTPs etc and they also refused to entertain any fake Bank calls as they were made aware that banks never call people directly, students were very happy and interactive during the session as they found the session to be very informative.

Such a financial literacy workshop aimed towards making students a responsible and aware citizen of the nation . The students were also recommended that they share the above learning with the parents, guardians and elders at home as well.

Such an initiative could act as a major step in stopping frauds. Having such knowledge might even save a life or two.



## Building Values

### SAND & STONE

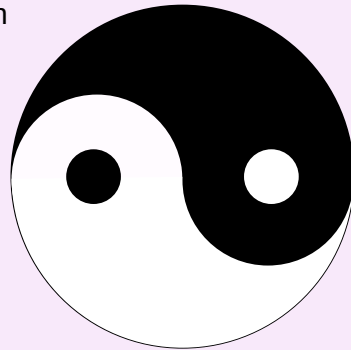
This story begins with two best friends who were going through the desert. During their journey they had some sort of argument where one friend slapped the other one on the face. The one who got slapped on the face was very upset, but without saying anything he wrote on the sand that ' Today my friend slapped me on the face' the other one saw him, but didn't say anything. After sometime when they found an oasis they took bath in it, the one who got slapped was stuck there and started drowning; his friend saved him. After that when he recovered he wrote on the stone ' Today my best friend saved me from drowning ' his friend saw and asked him when I hurt you, you wrote it on the sand and now when I saved you so you wrote it on the stone. Why? His friend replied when someone hurts us we should write it on the sand so that the winds of forgiveness can erase it but when someone does good to us we must engrave it on the stone so no wind can ever erase it.



**The moral of the story :-** We should remember the good things which happen with us & forget the bad ones.  
**- Aditi Bhargava, X A**

### WE CANNOT ESCAPE OUR KARMA

A man was robbed off his wealth in the middle of the night. As soon as he woke up he realised that he had been robbed , but without making any fuss, he carried on with the duties of his day. He used to visit a Sadhu / monk everyday, and on seeing him the Sadhu asked ,"



You look a little quite today, is something wrong?" The man replied, "what wasn't mine was taken away, I was rob last night, but maybe that wealth wasn't mine to keep, hence it was stolen". The other people listening to him were shocked to hear this. The monk explained, "we meet people in this world due to some past connections." Similarly what ever we possess ,we lose , we acquire or we collect is possible, not only because of our efforts, but also because of our past Karma. Our relations are not based only on affections of the past but could be because of past revenge left incomplete, past dues unpaid or even past dues to receive. This is called Rumanubandh - Karma left to be complete (good or bad )

**Moral of the story :-** Instead of blaming others and dwelling on the injustice we suffer, if once we consider, that this is happening to us because of our own Karma, than we can let go and move ahead peacefully without holding any grudge against anyone.

**- Akshita Rana, XII Comm.**

### SCHOOL LIFE

Once there was a 19-year-old boy named Rahul. He was a nerd of a person. He didn't even have any good friends in his college. One day while going home he chooses a different path. He chose the path from where his school could be seen. Rahul was a completely different and opposite person when it came to his school. He was a very intelligent, participative, and extrovert boy in his school days. He had many friends at that time. But what changed his life entirely? He failed his 12th board because he was suffering from a disease the whole year. He was not able to study properly for his 12th boards. At that point, he lost all hope. He was suffering from depression. No one supported him at that point. All his friends were busy with their future searching for good institutes and colleges for themselves. While passing his school one day he realized and memorized every single memory of his school days. The school had a very different and unique era for the students. Every child in their school life must experience a good memory. The school supports you, pushes you forward, and gives you many chances. But in our life, we should ourself become strong so that we can fight every obstacle. Rahul realizes his biggest mistake which was - he lost all his hope. He decides to make a new turn in his life and restart again.

**Moral of the story :** Never lose hope, be strong, respect and enjoy one's school life, and take advantage of opportunities in school life.

**- Sanya Bari, X A**

## FUN-O-LOGY

### WHAT AM I ?

1. I'm a force of attraction between any two masses. What am I?
2. I'm a natural phenomenon caused by the interaction of sunlight, water vapor, and dust particles. What am I?
3. I'm a process where plants use sunlight to make food. What am I?
4. I'm a celestial body that orbits the Earth and reflects sunlight. What am I?
5. I'm a substance that consists of only one type of atom. What am I?
6. I'm a part of the body that pumps blood throughout the circulatory system. What am I?
7. I'm a type of energy that travels in waves and can be seen by the human eye. What am I?
8. I'm a protective layer of gases that surrounds the Earth. What am I?

- Anushka Pant , XII PCB

Answers : 1. Gravity, 2. Rainbow, 3. Photosynthesis  
4. Moon, 5. Element, 6. Heart, 7. Light, 8. Atmosphere

### LAUGH OUT LOUD

Why was the equal sign so humble?  
Because it knew it wasn't less than or greater than anyone else!

Why was the math book sad?  
It had too many problems.

Why did the student do multiplication problems on the floor?  
The teacher told him not to use tables!

Why did the student get upset when his teacher called him average?  
It was a mean thing to say!



- Pranjal Gupta, XII PCM

## CROSSWORD

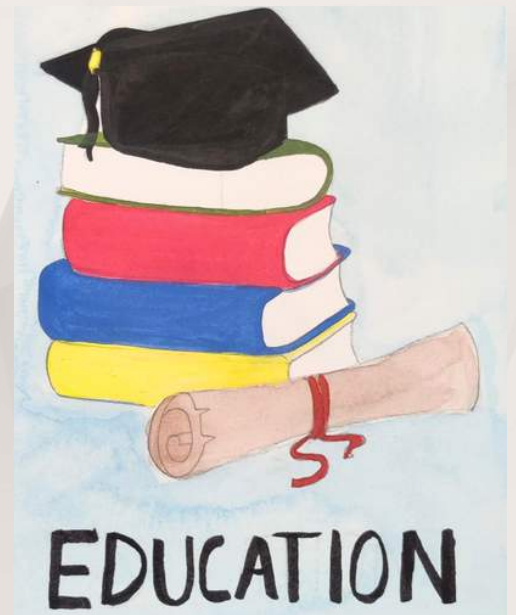
Find the names of these 5 fruits from the crossword grid below -

Apple, Banana, Cherry, Kiwi, Orange, Pear

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- Anupama Mangain, XII Arts

Make at least 7 words of 5 letters each from the word given below :-



- Aditi Bhargava, X A



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