

the Oracle

EDITORIAL

With a belt around my waist everyday and basketball at 3pm, the essence of the season has manifested itself in sweet, yet sweaty ways. As summer sets in and as the first term ends almost as quickly as it had started, the school witnesses a great number of constructive changes. I have noticed a new wave of heightened school spirit among the School Prefect Council and nothing makes me prouder.

This being the first issue of the year, I welcome those who have joined the YPS family recently. And to those sharp-witted Yadavindrians I have been interacting with for long, I hope that you will pull up your socks (pun intended) and bring out the best in yourselves this year too. With the aim of improved student-centrism, The Oracle has built this issue around many of your submissions (Keep sending those in!). We also have exciting quizzes and riddles incorporated this time, some of which will keep you on your toes (quite literally, in fact).

Keep reading and DFTBA!
Cheerio,
Sajneet Mangat
Editor-in-chief



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- The YPS fraternity welcomes the new director of the school, Major General T.P.S. Waraich.
- The Oracle also welcomes new members of the teaching faculty.
- A number of notice boards have been installed in the campus. Students are advised to check them regularly and keep in touch with school activities.
- In other news, a magnificent cobra was spotted in the lawn next to the building on 19 May, 2017. Stay on guard but do admire these beautiful creatures.
- Gurjagot Singh of VI-S stood second in the Tribune Fortnightly Quiz and received a cash prize.



PRIZE DISTRIBUTION CEREMONY

On April 24, a special assembly was held to award prizes to students with excellent academic achievements in the 2016-2017 session. The beginning of the ceremony was marked by the choir singing 'Lakshya Na Ohjal Hone Paaye', after which the prize recipients were presented a book and a certificate each by the Director. The event--along with letting all of us miss the first lesson--set the tone for the new academic session, creating an incentive for everyone to keep working harder!

Tanveer Singh Mangat X-N

FOUNDER'S DAY

With another year comes another 9th of April and the much-awaited Founders' Day. The 38th Founder's Day was a manifest indication of the perseverance and hard work that had been put in by the students for the past year as well as in the past month. The event was graced by our chief guest, renowned educationist, Mr. Shashank Vira. The course of events over the evening followed the school tradition. The academic procession, reports by the Headmaster, the Senior and Junior schools, prize distribution preceded our chief guest's address. Mr Vira had a lot to say to the present generation. He took us back to 1997, a defining year which had heralded a new and more advanced era. While he elaborated on the 11 problems that mar the world today, his impressive words lingered on in the minds of many present that evening. The medley of song and dance added their own charm to the atmosphere with the hypnotizing movements of the classical dances standing out. An amalgam of diverse performances by students of varying ages was brought together in the finale, 'Heal the World'. The most formal event of the year ended sensationally that night. The efforts of the staff and students were lauded, with the prefect council, of course making the most of the lovely dinner that followed!

Sajneet Mangat XII-N



Kathak Dancers



The Senior School Choir



Members of the Board



The Junior School Choir

INTER-SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENTS

- At the Daly College, Indore, the team of Sajneet Mangat, Prabhmech Sandhu and Ria Khurana was adjudged the first runners up in the D.F. Jack Memorial English Debate. Prabhmech Sandhu was declared the best speaker in the preliminary round and the second best speaker in the finals. Upamanyu Yaddanapudi and Tanveer Mangat bagged the third position in the the P.G. Miller Memorial Quiz. The team of Shreya Singhla, Gandharv Thakur and Tanveer Mangat reached the finals of the J.K. Kate Memorial Hindi Debate.
- A team of 7 delegates represented the school at MCGS MUN 2017. They spent 10 committee sessions engrossed in vicious debate, and each one of them performed well. Verbal Mention: Samridh Gupta X S; Special Mention: Kartikeya Puri XI E; Outstanding Delegate: Dhruvraj Duggal IX O
- Pranav Raj, Prabhmech Sandhu and Sajneet Mangat stood third at the 27th Col. Frank Von Goldstein Debate held at YPS Patiala. Pranav Raj was adjudged the Best Debater of the competition.
- At the QMUN 2017 at Selaqui International School, Dehradun, Abhinav Sachdeva, Amoldeep Singh, Armaan, Gunjeev Singh won an Honourable Mention certificate for their performances in their respective committees.

INTER-HOUSE EVENTS

The Inter-house English Poetry Recitation for classes VI-VIII was held on April 19, 2017.

The House positions were:

1. Tagore House
2. Nalagarh House
3. Patiala House
4. Aitchison House
5. Ranjit House

Ebrahim Hassan Sofi (T.H) stood first and Jasleen Kaur (N.H) stood second. Consolation Prizes were awarded to Aashna Parmar (N.H), Aanya Bansal (A.H) and Divyam Goyal (N.H)

The Inter-house G.K. Quiz for classes VI-VIII was held on April 26, 2017

The House Positions were:

1. Patiala House
2. Aitchison House
3. Ranjit House
4. Nalagarh House
5. Tagore House

The Inter-house Spelling Bee for classes VI-VIII was held on May 3, 2017.

The House Positions were:

1. Ranjit House
2. Nalagarh House
3. Tagore House
4. Aitchison House
5. Patiala House

The Inter-house Hindi Poetry Recitation for classes VI-VIII was held on May 10, 2017.

The House Positions were:

1. Nalagarh House
2. Tagore House
3. Patiala House
4. Ranjit House
5. Aitchison House

Jasreen Kaur (N.H) stood first, Divyam Goel(N.H) stood second and Tanvi Sharma(T.H) stood third. Consolation Prizes were awarded to Aashna Parmar (N.H) and Manya Bansal (A.H).

INVESTITURE CEREMONY

As is the norm every year, the Investiture Ceremony is a welcome reminder for every Yadavindrian to aspire to achieve all that their inspirational seniors have - as well as to reinforce the principles of discipline, respect and responsibility in the hearts of each student. It is always a much awaited event, and this year, as always, the appointments of the academic year 2017-18 were met with great emotion on being given 'the flag' of new responsibilities in a very literal sense. The appointments for the academic year 2017-18 are as follows :

SCHOOL APPOINTMENTS

Head Boy	Prabhmech Sandhu	Head Girl	Sajneet Mangat
Deputy Head Boy	Amitaz Sidhu	Deputy Head Girl	Tanya Ahuja
Sports Captains	Arshdeep Singh Khara ; Alexia Verma		
Co-curricular Captains	Upamanyu Yaddanpudi ; Pranav Raj		
AITCHISON	Captain Boys	Captain Girls	Prefects
NALAGARH	Pushpak Jain	Prabhnoor Chahal	Sunmeet Bajwa, Jasleen Kaur
PATIALA	Chitvon Singh Mann	Sukhmeen Kaur	Pooja Kanwar, Gurtej Singh
RANJIT	Uday Sandhu	Inayat Brar	Manraj Johal, Pushpak Jain
TAGORE	Harbir Singh Bhatt	Anmoldeep Kaur	Patwant Dhindsa, Jashanjot Singh
	Mohantaj Singh	Parima Kaloti	Japtej Singh, Preet Kanwar

Ria Khurana IX-S



INTERVIEWING THE DIRECTOR



Maj. Gen. TPS Waraich,
Director

Hard work and discipline are two traits our new Director, Major General T.P.S Waraich, believes to be of primary importance. He is an amiable personality with great vision for the school and The Oracle sat down to have a candid chat with the General on April 28, 2017.

Morning sir! Experiences in the army are known to be instrumental in shaping the lives of officers. Please tell us about your time in the armed forces.

After my schooling in Sanawar and Nabha, I entered the National Defence Academy. I would say that the army gave me many opportunities to travel widely. Knowing the different languages and cultures has served as great exposure wherein you realize how diverse a world it is, where the problems of the affluent are far more different than the problems of the developing nations. Through the army, I was able to experience the unforgiving extremes of the outdoors. I was in Port Blair when the 2004 tsunami struck on the shore. Many of my friends lost their lives. But I survived. I couldn't have been more grateful. The Army also gave me a chance to practice diplomacy when I was heading the United Nations Overseas Operations for the Indian Army where I was involved in processes of selection, kitting, training, deployment and logistics. The army is where you gain confidence, learn the importance of knowledge, logical thinking and the ability to stand alone. This versatility makes it easier when you have to face reality. It was during my time in the army that I got into the education sector. I managed many Army Schools and became more involved with this area. So, it can be said that the army gave me a plethora of experiences, ranging from field operations to managing schools.

As an educator, do you think that the relationship between adults and children has changed? And how do you think youngsters have evolved?

I do think there have been two noticeable gaps which have widened with time. The first is between the child and the parent. It is imperative for parents to understand their children now. The second is between the teacher and the parent. This is a gap which needs to be bridged. We adults should now be ready to go that extra mile for our children.

Children these days have an exceptional ability to multi-task and are far more mentally robust. There is more

opportunity and hence, students have become smarter and better.

What are your plans for the school?

My foremost step is to identify all the problems and understand the psychology of different stakeholders - the students and teachers. My aim is to create a happy environment where students can grow holistically and can proudly attribute their identity and success to the grooming done by the school. People should be able to recognize a Yadavindrian from a distance and say, 'There's goes the lad from YPS Mohali.' Every move of mine is to ensure that the students are on the frontlines. Teachers always want the best for their children--who are the engines of change.

Personally, I am waiting for the day when each child is able to manage his/her time to the fullest and carries a small notepad in his/her pocket to note down their daily tasks and goals.

Which sports did you play back in your day?

I played nearly all sports when I was in school. Athletics and hockey were my favourites. Basketball and swimming were also high on my list.

What about the food in YPS? How do you like it?

Oh, the food is the reason I came here in the first place!
<laughs>

Sajneet Mangat and Zea Gill



EARTH DAY

Every April 22, communities across the country observe Earth Day. Bringing Earth Day into the classroom allows students to explore the purpose and significance of the holiday and raises their awareness of environmental issues. On 21st April, 2017, the students of YPS enacted a skit about the dwindling condition of earth. The Director of YPS gave an eloquent speech on simple but effective ways to reverse climatic adversities.

Shreya Singla IX-S



SPORTS ROUNDUP

- The School U-17 Girl's Football Team participated in the Doon 7's Cup (7-a-side matches), held at The Doon School, Dehradun, from 4-6th April 2017. Heavy rain did not dampen their spirits, as they went ahead to the quarter finals.
- The U-14 Girls Basketball team were the runners' up at the Major Jagpal Memorial Basketball Tournament held at the Pinegrove School, Subhatu.

TRIVIA-E-AZAM

Facts submitted by **Sukhmani Kaur XI-O**

1. The toothpaste "Colgate" in Spanish translates to "go hang yourself".
2. A ball of glass will bounce higher than a ball of rubber.
3. In France, it is legal to marry a dead person.
4. You can't hum while holding your nose closed. We know you're trying to now.
5. Dogs are capable of understanding up to 250 words and gestures and have demonstrated the ability to do simple mathematical calculations. Talk about smart doggos.
6. It is physically impossible for pigs to look up into the sky. Little oinks can't tell if it's a bird or a plane!
7. The world's oldest piece of chewing gum is over 9,000 years old!
8. A church in the Czech Republic has a chandelier made entirely of human bones.

Got some facts too? Send your unusual trivia to the Trivia-e-Azam. 😊

TRY THIS OUT!

- Rearrange the letters: **NOR DO WE** to make one word.
- There is a word in the English language in which the first two letters signify a male, the first three letters signify a female, the first four signify a great man, and the whole word, a great woman. What is the word?

ANSWERS TO TRY THIS OUT!
 A. ONE WORD.
 A. Heroine.
 ANSWERS TO THE RIDDLER
 1. Skull.
 2. The chef. Mr. Brown was killed in the afternoon yet the chef was making breakfast.
 3. The bomb.
 4. Meat. He is a butcher.
 5. He waits until the night time and then moves out of the first door.

CAMPUS QUIZ!

(Mail your answers to editorial@ypsched.com before 12 July, 2017 and get a chance to see your name on the list of prize-winners in the next issue!)

Upamanyu Yaddanapudi XII-O

Let's see how well you know your school grounds. Where on the campus would you find:

1. A semal tree
2. Something whose left and right feet have been exchanged
3. A tree stump
4. The portaloos
5. A sky blue dustbin
6. The places where they keep the lawn mowers (name both)
7. The carpentry shed
8. The words 'Gillco Ironage'

Bonus question: how many gates does the school have?



THE RIDDLER

1. I don't have eyes, but once I did see. Once I had thoughts, but now I'm white and empty.-
2. Mr. Brown was killed on Sunday afternoon. The wife said she was reading a book. The butler said He was taking a shower. The chef said he was making breakfast. The maid said she was folding clothes, and the gardener said he was planting tomatoes. Who did it?
3. There is bomb on top of a computer; around the computer are a hairbrush, keys, phone and a cup. When the explosion comes, what item destroyed first?.
4. There is a clerk at the butcher shop, he is five feet ten inches tall, and he wears size 13 sneakers. What does he weigh?
5. A man is trapped in a room. The room has only two possible exits: two doors. Through the first door there is a room constructed from magnifying glass. The blazing hot sun instantly fries anything or anyone that enters. Through the second door there is a fire-breathing dragon. How does the man escape?

Paarth Rawat XI-N

HARRY POTTER AND THE CURSED CHILD



A Potter, in Slytherin, devastating enough. And to make things worse, friend of a Malfoy. As Albus Potter struggles to keep up with his father's legacy he overhears his father talking to Amos Diggory (Cedric Diggory's father) about using a time turner to save Cedric. Albus and his friend Scorpius steal the time turner and save Cedric but create ripples that create a parallel world where Voldemort rules and Harry is dead. Will Albus and Scorpius be able to reverse time before it is too late? Personally I liked the portrayal of Scorpius because he has a bad family name but a good heart. Such characters touch us with their powerful traits. For a Potterhead, The Cursed Child is a delightful narration in the form a screenplay and will hopefully be loved as fondly as Rowling's previous seven writings.

Ishaan Rawat VI-S

RAJASTHANI EXPERIENCE

Rajasthan has long been a rich land, a land of emperors. We embarked on our journey to this royal land on 3rd January, 2017. We witnessed all the marvelous treasures of the state, such as the Mehrangarh Fort, Jaswant Thada, Umaid Bhawan, Patwon ki Haweli, Choki Dhani, Jaisalmer Fort and many more. The best experience during this tour standing before the sand dunes. We went for a jeep safari, camel ride and even rolled around in the massive sand dunes! Caked with mud, we were all relieved to have good food at the Choki Dhani. We saw a lot of traditional dance forms, and I even learnt a bit of Rajasthani! We all came back from Rajasthan with good memories, and hope to visit the beautiful place once again.

Khushi Arora IX-T

THE RAJASTHANI EXTRAVAGANZA!

We visited Jodhpur, Jaisalmer and Jaipur. We visited many forts which had their own stories to tell, and explored a haunted village in remote Jaisalmer! It was also an entirely different movie experience at Raj Mandir. We discovered cutlery, clothes and even armours of kings! We even had a chance to go to Choki Dhani to try out the best food ever, right after an exhausting experience with sand dunes. All in all, the trip was a memorable one with fond memories, and new friends found.

Keerat IX-T

STEPPING INTO THE WORLD OF MUNS!

Enlightened. That is the only word which can describe the state I was in after the closing ceremony of my first MUN, along with "exhausted", and "exhilarated". After the initial shock of being greeted with a scenic mountain range as opposed to the desert scenery I had suspected of, weaned off, I was completely awestruck by the beauty of Ajmer, and Mayo College Girls School, which hosted the event. My designated committee was an exciting one, for it was a simulation of the Axis Powers of World War 2, where teenage delegations stepped into the shoes of diplomats with the ability to mobilize troops and declare wars that diminished the world not only of human lives, but of humanity. There were instances where I was completely overwhelmed by the sense of importance that loomed over me. It was a marvelous three days spent lobbying with fellow delegates at 4am in hotel lounges, creating documents of formal alliances in under 10 minutes, and most significantly, gaining a reputation of being an extremely aggressive delegate (and being awarded mentions in the daily newsletters for the same) My first MUN easily became the most memorable event I had attended. Our committee ended up with the "Axis powers" declaring war on the "Allied Powers", and on a personal level, I ended up with a profound sense of knowledge in the field of "MUNning" and a considerably longer facebook friend list! And of course, realizing that "капка по капка цяло езеро става" really does stand true. (I had to show off the Bulgarian I'd learnt whilst portraying an ambassador of Bulgaria!)

Ria Khurana IX-S

LIGHTING THE WAY AHEAD

We all yearn for light. The sunlight, the flash from a smile, the feeble but trusty light bulb. The man behind the light bulb, Thomas Alva Edison, is my biggest inspiration..After many repeated failures and hundreds of futile attempts, he finally lit a bulb and dispelled darkness from our lives. He feared the dark and worked until he had found something to overcome it with. I am sure he must have defeated so many challenges to reach his goal.Today, his life is my inspiration and maybe for millions of others. I have learnt that we should strive to reach our destinations and should never give up. Circumstances may try to demotivate us but, at these times, we should hold our head high.Inspired by him, I've decided that I'll try my best in every field and I will do something extraordinary for which I will be remembered too.

Ashna Goyal VII-N

*Remember that one person you see
EVERYWHERE, but don't know their name.*

A NOTE TO NEW BEGINNINGS

I would like to thank all my teachers and the staff members of Junior school now that I have entered the Senior school. Class 5 developed my overall personality a lot. My class teacher Iqbal ma'am and head mistress Komal ma'am had helped me a lot and provided me with moral support throughout my journey of the Junior school. I would specially like to thank Kanwaljeet sir for encouraging to maintain my physical fitness. YPS has made me proud of myself and I am sure it will make me prouder!

Gurjagot Singh- VI S

A UNIQUE SUMMER!

My last summer was truly memorable. During the holidays I visited a country not explored by many - Iran. I landed in the capital, Tehran, which, besides being unique in its own way was also very picturesque. The next visit was in the land of crystal blue waters of Kish Islands followed by the humongous snow clad peaks of Shumal. However the quaint streets of the country were more than enough to make me fall in love with the place. In fact, my pictures on social media were a lot more different than those of my friends back home. I discovered that Tehran was a geographical marvel in that it had four seasons. The cultures, the mosques, and the cuisine were simply divine. Its a place that should most definitely be on your bucket list!

Inayat Patwalia X-E

THE SOLDIER

With a heart of gold and altruism,
He leaves the house in an audacious way
Waving his mother au revoir,
He turns his back and moves forward
When an abysmal war hits,
He sacrifices his own life for others
His avid concern for the nation never
fades,
He has a magical aura.
When the war is over his mother
waits for him,
When her son doesn't
turn up
Tears roll down her cheeks, but she feels
proud
That her son contributed towards their
land's safety
How can that mother forget?
That auburn hair,
Those hazel eyes,
Those loving gestures,
Now gone forever...

Sanmeet Kaur Sawhney X-N

ALL IN!

'Tucked in T-shirts is the new cool these days,' said only a handful of people. But none of us can deny that the new rule makes YPS Mohali look like a more orderly and neat place than before. While some of us might have had to scramble wildly through our drawers and cupboards to find our belts and ID cards, it surely has made dressing up on Wednesdays a lot easier. It has also proved itself to be an integral step in grooming the students as fine, young men and women.

Tanveer Singh Mangat X-N

SCIENCE-CREATING THE REDEEMER OR THE DEVIL?

Science is an amazing subject. From the flora and fauna, to our communication, everything is related to science. But have we ever thought what science can do? – Its abilities, its advantages and its wonders! Most of the technologies we use in our day- to- day lives are the outcomes of developments in science. Many say that just like every coin has two sides, science can be used either for the better or the ruin of civilisation. What my perspective is that – Yes, It will make us more developed, more discoveries. But because we have become dependent of many gadgets, we have forgotten essential aspects of life like physical activity and effort. Sometimes I think that if we develop technologies such as robots, the day when our own creations overpower the control we have over them, is not far.

Conversely, science had brought great men and women to the forefronts of mankind. Men like A.P.J Abdul Kalam, the missile man of India. What if Thomas Edison was not even born? We wouldn't have been using light bulbs. Science has given us many things but also has the power to take all of this away. My last point is that the use of science should focus on how it can aid human lives and make them simpler and healthier, not on how it can possibly create an army of destructive pieces of metal who can think on their own.

Aditya Singla VII – S

AS A TEEN

Soon my hair will grow
And my heart will start to scream.
Maybe my voice will change
Or I will become a mad teen.
Maybe my moods will fly in the air
Maybe my heart will flutter to many beats.
Maybe my nails will grow
Maybe I will talk mature stuff
And maybe my hormones will change.
Or maybe my choices get better.
Or I will start dying my hair.
I wish if nothing happens like such to me,
And I wish to remain a cute girl,
I wish if my eyes remain the same
As I dont really want those shiny pearls!

Jasleen Kaur VII-N



- Investiture Ceremony was held on 15 March 2017. The new appointments for the 2017-18 session are-

Headboy - Mansimarpreet Singh

Headgirl - Arshiya Surya

House Captains:

House	Boys	Girls
Aitchison	Rubalpreet Singh	Arya Attri
Nalagarh	Samarveer Singh	Jasmine Kalsi
Patiala	Zuberjit Singh	Hunardeep Kaur
Ranjit	Anhad S.Khatumria	Akshita Sharma
Tagore	Romir Tandon	Bandana Singh

- “Sharing” - A workshop for parents of the children studying in Classes IV and V was held from April 17 to April 24. It was an interactive session where parents discussed and shared their experiences and challenges they face daily in bringing up their children.

- A Shoe-Lace Tying Activity was held on April 25 for the tiny tots who have just come to Class I from Kindergarten.

- Prize Distribution was held on April 27 to felicitate the students who had performed well in Academic and Non Academic subjects in the year 2016-17.

- Arna(II-O), Gurbani (II-N), Jagee(II-E), Arshiya Surya (V-T), Anhad Singh(V-O) and Ambarjot Singh (IV-S)from Junior School participated in Create-a-Thon 2017 (a brainstorming and designing competition) organised on April 29 by the Gurukul Global School, IT Park, Chandigarh.

- Swimming Season for Classes I to V is in progress.

MEDAL WINNERS OUTSIDE SCHOOL

1. Seerat Anand of I-N participated in the 31st Punjab State Sub Junior Gymnastics Championship, Mohali. She won a Silver medal in Rhythmic Gymnastics.

2. Sarthak Walia of IV-N participated in the 31st Punjab State Sub Junior Gymnastics Championship, Mohali (Boys Under 10). He won a Silver medal in Vault, a Bronze medal in Floor, and a Bronze medal for being an All Rounder.

3. Kartik Goel participated in the Orange Courts Tennis Tournament (Singles,Boys Under 10) organised by CLTA and won a trophy.

4. Hunar Sandhu of II-S participated in Inter School Taekwondo Tournament organised by Gurukul Global School. She won a Gold medal in Poomse and a Silver medal in Fight.



BIRTHDAY WITH A DIFFERENCE

Guntaas of II S celebrated her birthday in an innovative way by distributing saplings to her classmates in school. She spread the message of 'Go Green' with this lovely gesture. We can all try to replace the sweet goodies with environment-friendly gifts or some useful gifts.

Our Young Writers...

Door Bell

Ding dong rang the bell,
 Who's there, can somebody tell?
 I will open the door and see who's there.
 To do this I need to stand on a chair.
 Every door bell ring keeps me guessing,
 Is it my friends whom I am missing?
 The ding dong of the bell makes me smile,
 For I get a break from my studies for a while.
 Yes! That's my friends' gang,
 They are in my house with a bang.
 Ludo, dolls, carom and chess we are going to play,
 The door bell has indeed made me happy and gay.

Gursimar Kaur III-O

When Night Arrives

When night arrives, they tuck their head into their pillows,
 Switch the lights off and shut the windows.
 Are they afraid of the monster under their bed?
 'There are none,' Mum always said.
 Are they afraid of the vampire behind the door?
 Or tarantulas that turn into thread in a wink?
 But when Mum looks, there is nothing.
 What's the mystery, I think.
 I am going to grow up and be a ghost hunter
 Till then I will wonder.

Ipsita Kaur IV-T

A Picnic

A picnic is so much fun,
Where children play and run.
They jump around everywhere
Like a crazy ball free to go anywhere.
They like to take camel rides,
And trek up and down hillsides.
A picnic is so much fun,
Where children play and run.

Armaan Singh IV-E

Stall in the Ball

In my dream I was in a ball,
In the ball there was an ice-cream stall.
The ice-cream man was moving his stall,
Behind a wall in the ball.
I thought I could climb the wall,
And reach the ice-cream stall.
I climbed up the wall,
I fell down on the stall.
My mother gave me a wakeup call,
I awoke and saw that near my bed was a ball.

Jeondeep Singh IV-O

New Things I Learnt in Class II

I loved Class II. I learnt many things there.
The first thing that I learnt was to control myself. The second one was to eat my food properly. The third was to be friends with everyone. The fourth thing that I learnt was to mind my language. The last thing I learnt is to respect others.

Yashita III-O

My Best Day of Class II

When I was in Class II, we went for a picnic at Nature's Trail at Ucha Kasuli near Mullanpur. I was so excited that I woke up at 5 am. It was a beautiful spring morning. I was the first one to reach the class. We made a queue and boarded the bus. It took us an hour to reach the picnic spot. It was a beautiful place with many tents and activities. We relished the snacks served to us. We played football, basketball and volleyball. We also did trampoline jumping, tyre swings, net climbing, racing, camel rides and bullock cart rides. And, in the end, we finally did a tug of war for which I had been waiting desperately. My team won the game. I did not want the picnic to end. It was a wonderful experience and the best day of Class II.

Aryan III-O

Antara Sharma V-S

Microwave Fiasco

My brother says it's my fault. I mean, please! That is sooo unfair. It just so happens I was there.

I was going to the kitchen (Maybe I should mention that it was the middle of the night) to get a glass of water, when I heard strange beep-beep noises coming from the kitchen. I went inside. The sight in the kitchen was so scary, bizarre and unbelievably funny that I almost had a fit.

There was our microwave jumping about,(that was the bizarre part),fiddling stupidly with its own controls (that was the funny part) with eyes as black as onyx and a mouth filled with razor sharp teeth stained with blood, or perhaps ketchup (that was the scary part). I ran into my mother's room, away from the kitchen "Mom!" I yelled "Come here quickly and bring a hammer with you!" I waited for her outside the room when she finally emerged holding a hammer. I led her to the kitchen. I could hear the monster going beep -beep when we reached the kitchen. When my mother saw the monster, she gasped and threw the hammer at it. The hammer didn't do anything to damage the creature, but grabbed the creature's attention. It jumped at my mother and bit her leg and she fainted. Then our miraculous microwave lunged at me. I dodged and ran towards the hammer that was lying on the floor. I picked it up and braced myself again. The creature struck, and I leaped aside extending my hand towards its mouth and knocking out many of its teeth with my hammer. It wailed in outrage. As I ran towards the other end of the kitchen, I glanced behind to make sure that it wasn't too near. At that moment I saw a repair flap which gave me an idea. I took a butcher's knife from the knife stand and flattened myself against the fridge as the creature charged towards me. When it turned again, I quickly dived behind its back and pried open the repair flap. For the second part of my plan, I climbed on top of the slab and crawled towards the sink. On the way, I picked up a bottle. When I reached the sink, I unscrewed the bottle's lid and filled it with water. Then, I jumped down the slab and faced my foe. The creature charged towards me and I leaped over its body, turned and pulled its stubby legs towards me so it fell flat on its face. I quickly poured some water from the bottle down the repair flap that I had opened. The creature froze, finally defeated. I went outside and poured the rest of the water on my poor fainted mother's face who began to stir .I quickly ran out of sight, straight into my bed, where I immediately fell asleep.



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