



# Kaleidoscope

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*Art by Sudiksha - Grade 4*

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*Our blank canvas filled with a kaleidoscope of our ponderings .....*

Our minds are like a Kaleidoscope. Every instant changes take place through new learning and experience, its contents change, new harmonies, new contrasts, new combination of every sort, images swirling, changing hues, new patterns shine through.

Like the kaleidoscope our minds are ever-changing, with no two minds being alike. As a kaleidoscope operates on the principle of multiple reflections, so does our mind.

If we pick up a kaleidoscope and look through it, we can witness the beauty of colours and patterns of light and reflection. It is the same when expressing ourselves. Each of us, inside, have our own patterns and reflections. Our feelings, thoughts, ideas, memories, which when shared through words, through similes, metaphors, analogies, gets us a little closer to see the colours that make our minds so beautiful.

Peek into our magazine 'Kaleidoscope' where light reflects shades of every colour, in bits and pieces but exquisitely beautiful nevertheless !

Our world looks universally more beautiful through our KALEIDOSCOPE!



# Why PYP Magazine?

A School's magazine holds up a mirror, a mirror that reflects the soul of the education system. It resonates our learning culture, identity of the educational institutions and is an integral part of the education system. School magazines are also voices and aspirations of students, a bridge that communicates with parents and teachers, a social document of creative blend where essays, poems, plays and stories usually hidden inside classrooms and notebooks find a stage with spot lights for all to see. The added impetus of seeing their name in print can make the students try their best as a writer, this is an endeavour by SNIS to ignite the little creative minds to spark and pave way for wonderful literary work. Each individual is an entity of immense potential and creativity which requires proper exploration and manoeuvre by the school and teachers.

School magazines give the young and talented writers an opportunity to feel intently, observe keenly, think deeply and thereby express themselves in a distinct way.

SNIS's PYP magazine 'KALIEDOSCOPE' hopes to channelize the budding talented writers of PYP in encouraging their writing skills by appraisal which inspires and motivates them to read and write much more.

Our students have a lot of potential within them which needs proper channelization and outlet. 'KALIEDOSCOPE' will provide a wonderful podium for these young potentials to showcase their talent as writers and express themselves into a conglomeration.

Finally, the PYP magazine can serve as a great memoir to recollect fond memories of School Life during primary years. Therefore, it's a little precious piece of childhood captured in words.

# Ariel shot - From desk of our Head of Primary School



This has been an exploratory and exciting year in the Primary Years Programme at SNIS. Looking back on the days when students walked into school for a new year of classes and comparing it to the current trend of online and virtual experience, I recall innumerable new experiences and triumphs for students in their journey of life-long learning as well as wonderful revelations of students' understanding and creativity.

Working together, our homeroom teachers and students throughout the PYP have woven many new skills and practices into our development of the Primary Years Programme. Together, they bring to you this magazine which showcases creativity and language development skills of our students and a keen motivation by them to explore new ways of inquiring, organizing learning and sharing things together. A coordinator's privilege is to see all this learning happening in the department. For me, it an honor to introduce this students' magazine which showcases students taking the lead in directing their own education. It is a great gratification to see students becoming independent learners at an early age.

Many of our Grade 4 and 5 students have now had the experience of working independently and with their peers. This magazine will encourage them and students of the other grades to involve in different activities and get their reflections published here. Through this magazine, I hope to see a commitment from our students involving in activities which will take them beyond the classroom, in many different areas like international-mindedness, cultures, environmental concern, escapades, community service and so on.

Thank You

*Kapil Mehrotra*

*Head of Primary School*

*Sharanya Narayani International School.*

# Adopt or Buy a Dog?

## *Persuasive Text*

Do you like dogs? Well, if you are planning to get one you must be deciding if you should adopt or buy one. This is why I strongly feel you should adopt a dog

I know if you buy a dog it will mostly be from a puppy mill. Puppy mills are breeding-facilities where the dogs are treated horribly and they are put in cages, their moms are forced to breed over and over for years until they are not useful for the facility. They are either killed, abandoned or sold at an auction.

When you adopt a dog, you are saving a life. I believe most shelters in the U.S are filling up fast and they usually need to euthanize (give them a shot which stops their hearts) some dogs to make space for others.

I think it would be great if people adopt a dog or dogs from their streets. Street dogs have a stronger immunity than normal dogs that you buy at the store. They are more used to the climate, so it will not be much of a problem for the dog to get used to living with you.

Now that you know that adopting a dog can save them from being euthanized and bred, I hope you are considering adopting a dog instead of buying one.

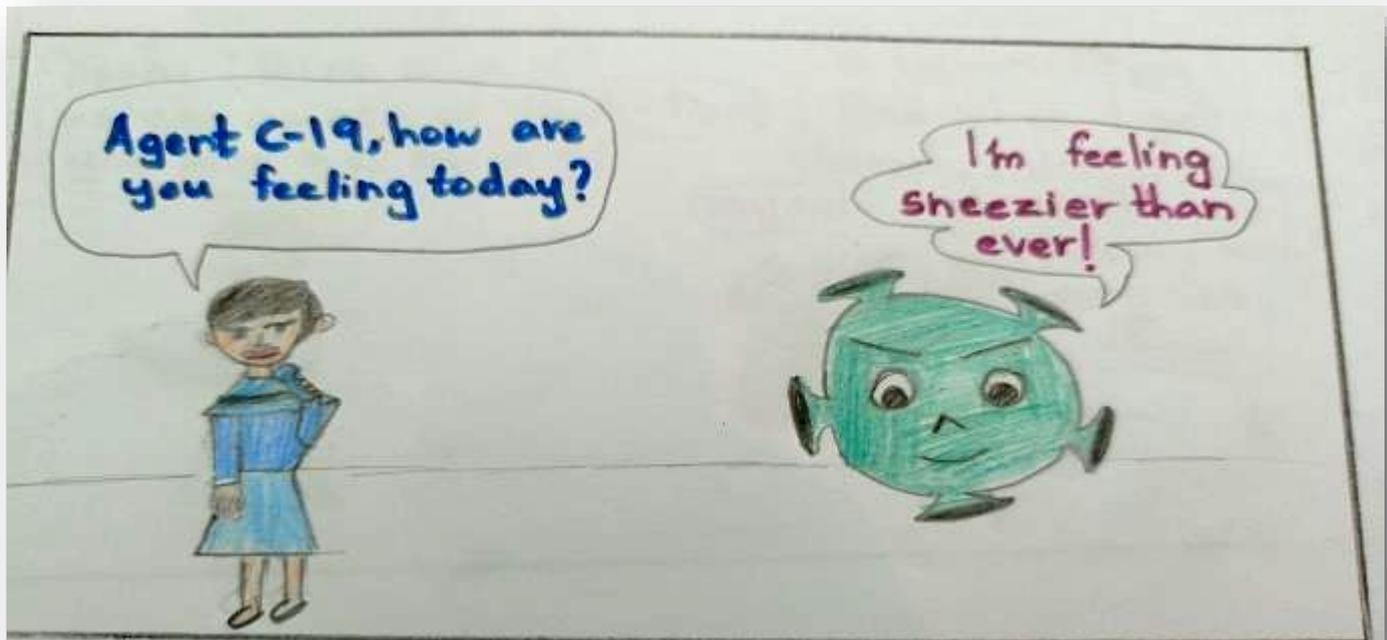
*Aarav Patel*

*Grade 5 B*



# A Rendezvous with Covid-19

*Comic strip*



That's great! Now what is your most favourite place and why?



I love breezy and airy places; that is why I love to stay in the lungs



Yeah, I think most of us are aware of that. Don't you ever get bored?



To be honest, yes! And when I get bored, I disguise myself and visit more people and surprise them.



So how many identities do you have?



I'm not sure myself. I've cloned myself so many times that I'm out of control. I will be meeting my cousins from other countries over a zoom call.



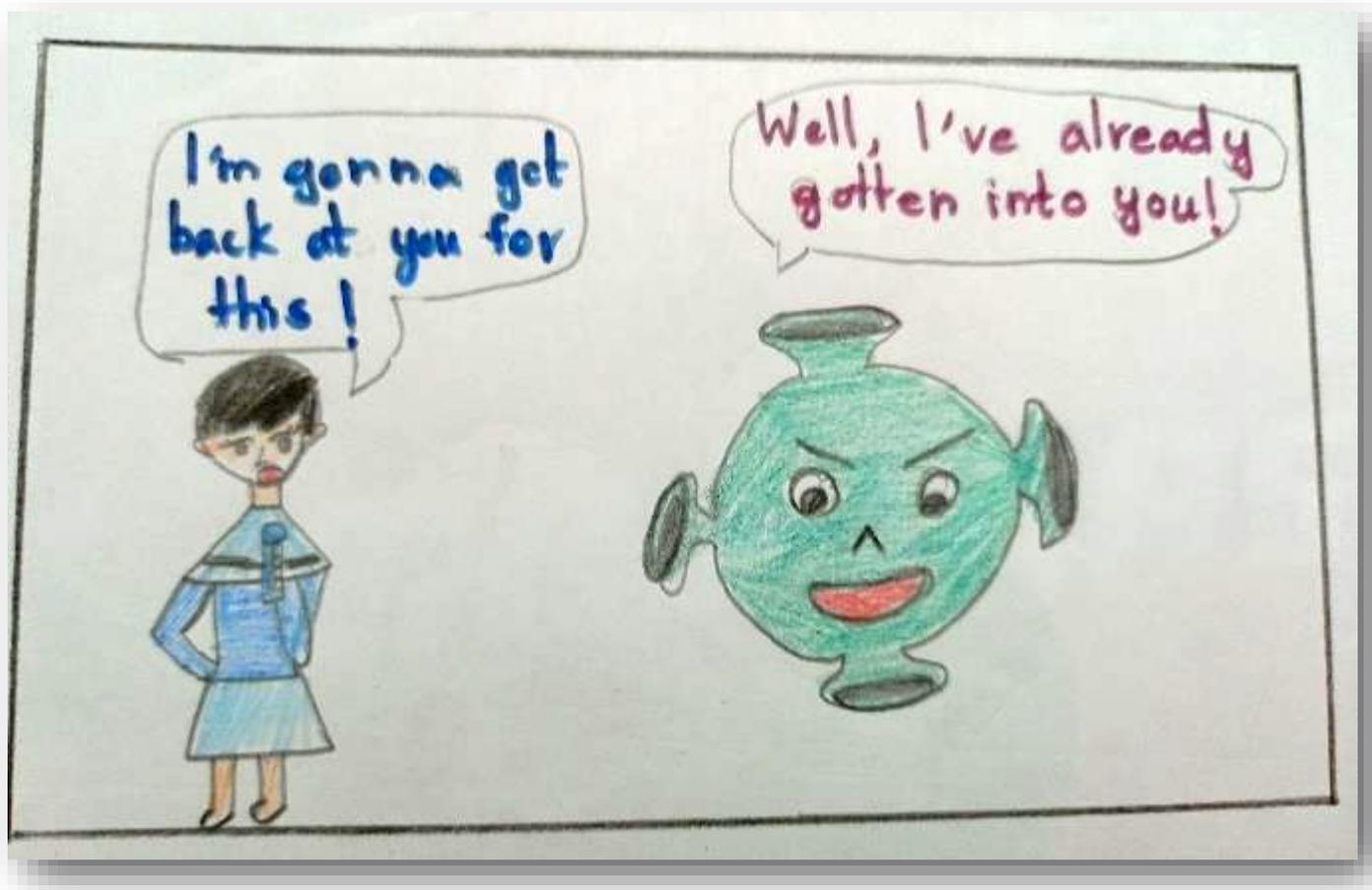
We brag about our victories.

I hope our school masquerade party doesn't get canceled because of you. What do you think Agent C-19?



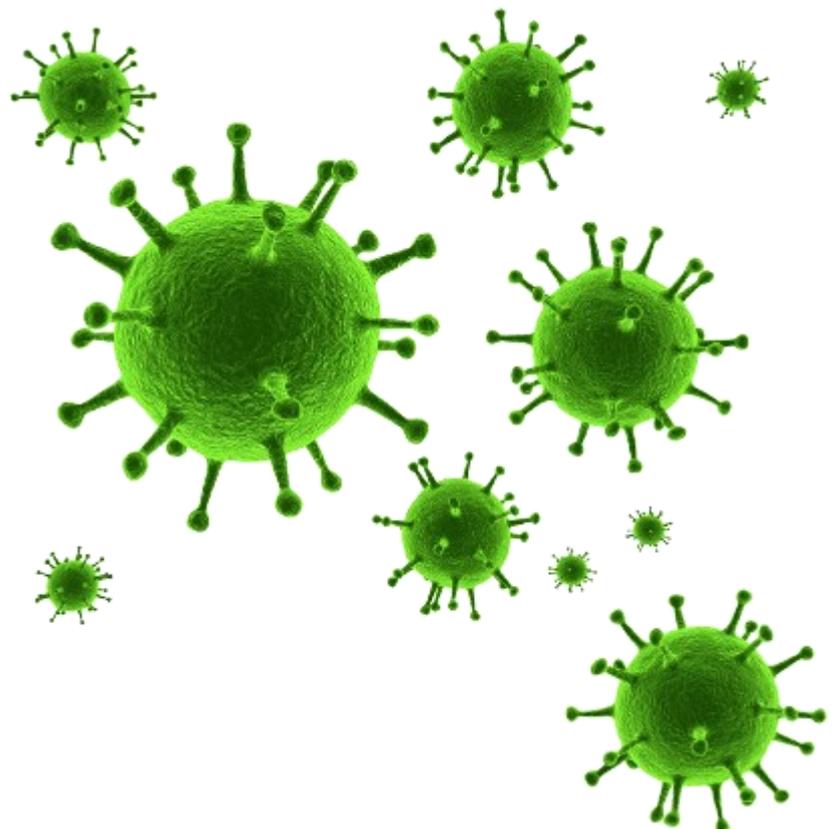
I'm not sure about the masquerade party but you sure can party at home watching "Home Alone" wearing a mask!





*Michelle Sarah Abraham*

*Grade 5 B*



# Emotional Well-Being

## *Information text*

Have you ever thought about the state of your Mental Health?

Sometimes, we make a sad face and sit when Math is the first period in class. But have you ever thought why we do this? That's because of our mind-set and mind-set is nothing but the mirror of **Mental Health**.

So, what is Mental Health? Mental Health is how we think, feel and behave, it also helps us regulate our stress. According to the study 74 percent and 88 percent of Indians reported stress and anxiety during COVID-19 outbreak.

If our Mental Health is good then it comes up as good courage, smile, good thinking, happiness and we feel free. But if our mental health is not in a good state then we behave like an angry person, feel sad, feel lonely, not have courage to do anything, no smile, no positivity.

How many of us laugh at least 10 times per day? Do you know a toddler can laugh up to 300 times per day. Just think why a child can laugh too many times and why can't we?

It's because the child's Mental Health is good and it's good because it does not use any gadgets. But we use smartphones, iPad, laptops, etc. If we want to play, we play online games but we don't play with our siblings or friends. If we want to share our feelings we chat and send emoji but we don't talk face to face and share our feelings.

To prevent stress we should spend at least an hour with our family, be active, eat healthy, get enough sleep, share feelings, play, do yoga, hear songs, do meditation, take a time out and go walks with your family and friends. Then see the state of your Mental Health will be super fine.

Give yourself the same time and priority, that you give to TV, phone or gadgets and watch yourself bloom. Start a day with some exercise, be energetic and courageous and talk with people not with phone. Keep your Mental Health well.

*Pranati Poornasri*

*Grade 5 A*



# Blue Dragons

## *Information text*

Do you know what are Blue Dragons? Don't confuse them with the dragons in stories. If you don't know, here we go.

Blue dragons, or more properly *Glaucus Atlanticus*, are a family of nudibranchs or sea slugs. They also are known as blue sea slugs, blue angels, and sea swallows. The creature, which looks like a cross between a lizard, dragon and a bird is known as a Blue Dragon.

The first public record of the blue dragon was in 1705 and 1777. There are four separate but very similar blue dragon species. These animals are found in the tropical ocean waters worldwide, specifically the Atlantic, Pacific, and Indian oceans. These creatures free float in currents of temperate ocean waters. They take an air bubble in their mouth and stores it in their stomach and float in the water.

It is unknown how many blue dragons exist, as they are small and hard to quantify. Blue glaucus can grow up to 1.2 inches (3 cm) long. Blue glaucuses eat large, venomous prey, such as the Portuguese man o' war and the blue-button jelly. They do this with radular teeth that resemble a knife's serrated edge along with the creatures chitinous jaw. Chitin is the same hard substance that forms the outside of ants and crabs.

The blue dragons float until they find one of the animals like jellyfish and then eat the entire structure. The blue glaucus isn't venomous by itself. When they are feeding on its poisonous prey like Portuguese man o' wars, the blue glaucus stores the stinging nematocysts created by the prey and store them in their long venomous tentacles. These tentacles may average up to 30 feet long!

Do you know what happens if a blue dragon stings you? The symptoms are Nausea, Pain, Vomiting and Acute allergic contact dermatitis. I think I have given you enough information about blue dragons. Looking forward to seeing them once.

*Aahil Reddy*

*Grade 5B*



# Bengal Tigers

*Information text*



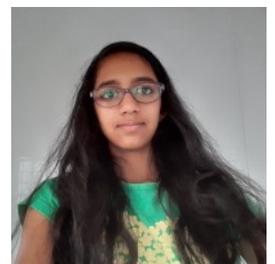
Do you know the scientific name for Bengal Tiger?. Yes! It's *Panthera Tigris*. Did you know the average life span is 8 to 10 years? And shockingly they are as big as a human.

Their average weight is 240 to 500 pounds. There were eight tiger subspecies at one time, but three became extinct during the 20th century. Over the last 100 years, hunting and forest destruction have reduced tiger populations from hundreds of thousands of animals to perhaps fewer than 2,500. Tigers are hunted as trophies, and also for body parts that are used in traditional Chinese medicine. All five remaining tiger subspecies are at-risk, and many protection programs are in place.

Bengal Tigers live in India and are sometimes called Indian tigers. They are the most common tigers and number about half of all wild tigers. Over many centuries they have become an important part of Indian tradition and lore.

*Gagana Kishan*

*Grade 5 B*



## Expression through Art



*Kanishka Joseph*

*Grade 5 A*



# Thinking



# time!!!!



Question: How do you make seven even?



Question: What goes up and down but no other direction?



Question: Where do cows go on a school field trip?



*Gaana Kishan*  
*Grade 5 A*

Answers:  
1. take out 's'  
2. Temperature  
3. Moosuem

# See the Bug !

see the bug  
On the rug  
I will give  
His leg a tug

See him run  
See him go  
He did not like it  
No! No!

See him hop  
On the map  
See him hide  
To make him stop

I will stop  
I will not tug  
You are safe  
little bug



*Shriyan*

*Grade 5 A*

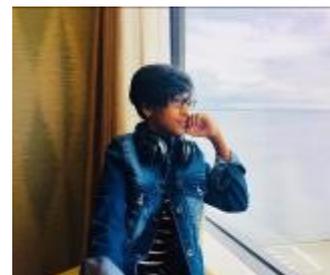


# Invidia

In the coldest winter  
The wind blows  
Covering the truth from my eyes  
As rain pours from the sky  
My heart buried under the snow  
Waiting for me to reveal  
The evil that is bound to show  
It's feeds from your own flaws  
Stuck in this dark abyss  
Your bound to break  
There nothing you can do  
As it has already taken ever you  
Even the happiest memories can't save you  
As you are a prey to this deadly hound  
Giving up is the best choice  
But even that won't work  
All you can do is sit and wait.....

*Aishani Swain*

*Grade 5 A*



*We just need to find the right music*

Once upon Africa was a huge living, hydrated forest.

In THAT lush and green forest lived a tall, blue - eyed giraffe called Gerald the First. He was at his favourite spot in the entire area.

Where the grass was GOLDEN like a hot, fresh yum cookie!!



While Gerald was grazing, two LOUD speaking crows flew overhead and said, “We are the NEWS Birds and there is an announcement - *THE GREAT JUNGLE DANCE OF AFRICA*, is tonight at 7:30 PM!” “Everyone is invited”.

Caaawww, caaaaaaaaawwwwwww.....

Those hideous birds left. But Gerald did not think of them, he thought about the dance, he wanted to go. Only there was a minor problem, he was **REALLY, REALLY BAD** at dancing!!

But he still so **DESPERATELY** wanted to go.

So, at 7:30 pm he torted and headed off to the Party Den, a place where they hold parties in the jungle.

There, already the Warthogs were Waltzing, the Rhinos Rocked n’ Rolled, the Chipmunks did the Cha Cha, the Lions did the Tango, and many other creatures tapped their feet to a variety of dances. But when Gerald TRIED to dance, his knees buckled, and he fell head - first on the ground. All the animals laughed until the prestigious lion said, “Oh poor, old, talentless Gerald, giraffes can’t dance, you clumsy freak!”

All the animals laughed and laughed and laughed even more. They laughed so much that they rolled on the mossy jungle floor.

Poor Gerald was so sad. He went away, his head so under the **Sun**.....



Then, after four and half hours straight, at exactly 12:00 am, Gerald found himself in an empty plain, there he looked at himself in the little pond, his face was red and pink and purple. Oh! What a bruise! Then, suddenly a crickaly voice said

“Hello! I am *Crickey von Cricket*, but you can call me *Crickey* for short.”

“Why are you feeling so sad, those animals are all idiots that’s all!” “You just need to find the right music!”

With that, Mr. *Crickey* took his violin and started playing it. Then, the most amazing thing happened. Gerald started dancing!!!!!!

He gracefully moved his body to the rhythm.

All the animals surrounded him and said, “Wow Gerald is the best dancer we have ever seen, Tell us how you do it, o lord of dance!”

Gerald stopped dancing and said, “We just need to find the right music.”

From then on, a merry – ever Gerald was the guest of honor in every dance party. He lived over the Sun!

*Written and Illustrated*

*—Sudiksha Gouda*

*Grade 4*



## Importance of Ending Gender Discrimination among Children.

I am Sriya K.S from grade 4, studying in Sharanya Narayani International School near Bangalore. It is a leading Boarding IB school. In Grade 4 we are inquiring about Media and it's influences in our Unit of Inquiry.

I want to talk about gender inequality among children and some of the social injustices that take place in our society. International Social Justice Day is celebrated on 20<sup>th</sup> February every year. Using the written media, I want to throw light to this social injustice.

One of the devastating problems existing in our society is gender discrimination. I am not saying it is happening everywhere, but it happens in some rural areas. What is gender discrimination in children? Girls are not getting enough importance. Society is giving priority to boys.

I believe strongly that we have to consider both girls and boys equally.

Each child coming to this world has the right to live peacefully. The regretful fact is that, this discrimination is starting before the child is born. Because, many couples wish for sons rather than daughters, they terminate the baby if the baby would be a girl. That is why the government has new laws in place to make sure people cannot find out the gender before birth. But my concern here is not the law but the attitude of our society. If it is not possible for some to determine the gender before birth, after delivery they will abandon their child or some merciless parents will leave the child in some orphanages or will sell them to somebody. Do we know are the consequences of such heart-breaking practices? 2007 UN report says that, the number of girls have reduced approximately by 100 million, it has been calculated that between 2015 and 2030, 25 million men will not be able to find a wife.

Secondly, I want to argue strongly for the right to education for girls. In some countries girls are not allowed to go to school. So, 96 million girls are currently illiterate compared to 57 million boys. In such places, girls are expected to spend their time on household tasks or for taking care of their younger siblings. This horrible situation should end, and each child has to be educated for the prosperity of the nation. Because today's children are tomorrow's citizens.

Nowadays we are hearing so many news related to violence against girls. Some among them are domestic violence, early and forced marriage, sexual harassment, etc. Sexual violence is the main threat faced by girls. This soul-crushing act will destroy lives and damage children forever.

There are many reasons for all these violence and discriminations? According to me, poverty plays an important role. Along with that, lack of education among parents also leads to many problems. We need to end violence against girls and women, as they are the pillars of the family and society.

Now it is, time to stop such discriminations. Girls should be educated with boys. We have so many examples of women personalities who reached heights like Indira Gandhi, Prathiba Patil, Kalpana Chawla, Sania Mirza, Mother Teresa etc. As Malala Yousafzai said "If a man can destroy everything, why can't a girl change it?"

*Sriya K.S*

*Grade 4*



### MEMORIES

**M**agical they are right?

**E**veryone are unique

**M**e, you everyone have one great memory

**O**ld ones are past and turn into memories

**R**ight ones bring brightness and happiness into life

**I**n my heart they remain

**E**xample my Wayanad birthday trip!

*By Houshika Sivakumar*

*Grade 4*



# Gender Equality



*By Paavana Chaitra Mudepalli*

*Grade 4*



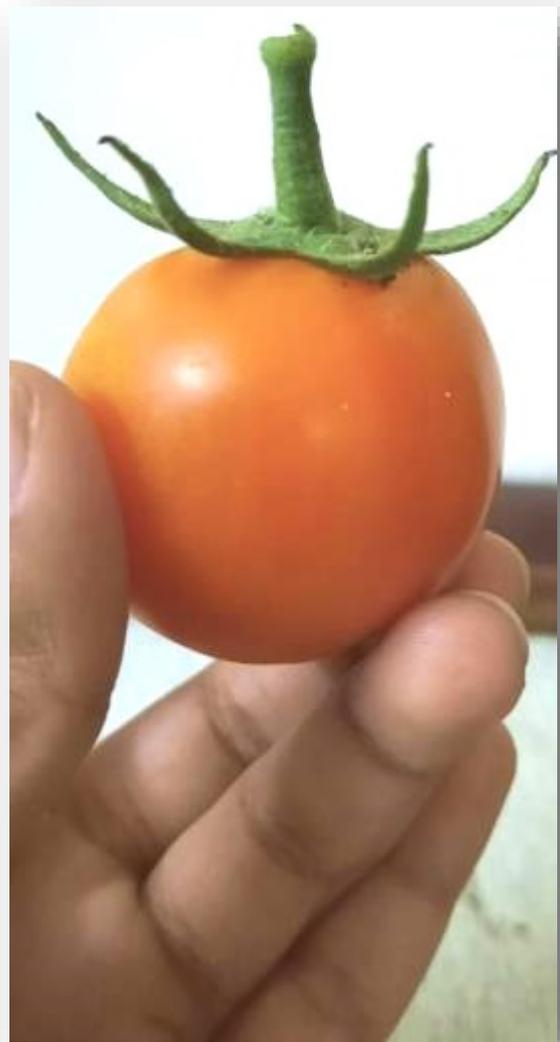
## WE SHOULD ALL GROW OUR OWN VEGETABLES

People should grow their own food because it is a safe way of eating. Few people say that it is hard and difficult to grow our own food. They say it takes lots of time and patience to grow vegetables. What they don't know is that, at the end it is worth the wait and effort. We can get fresh and organic vegetables and fruits from home gardening. And what's more, it gives us happiness and satisfaction too.

In my school, Sharanya Narayani International School, my Homeroom teacher told us to decide on a New Year Resolution and do a time line chart on how and when we are going to achieve it, at the beginning of the year. One of my resolutions were gardening. I grew a few flowering plants and a tomato plant. When my plant gave me the first tomato I was very happy. I was excited to harvest it from my plant. And till now, it has given me 3 tomatoes. I used my first tomato to make a tomato slice chat. The second and third one for a curry. All these are my favourite dishes and it tasted great. I truly enjoyed the experience. I thank my school for helping me find a healthy hobby!

Many farmers spray harmful insecticides and pesticides on the plants, vegetables and fruits. They do this to prevent insects and pests from harming the plants. Middlemen apply wax and other dangerous things to keep fruits and vegetables fresh for a long time. We do not do that to our produce. Hence, we can consume healthy food.

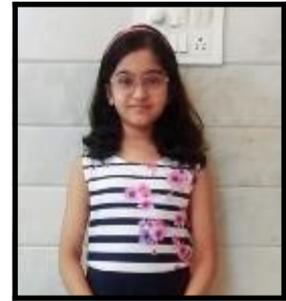
Also, growing crops helps the environment by giving us fresh air. We can grow them in our compound, balcony and window sills too. Simple vegetables like chilies, fenugreek and coriander can be grown. It adds beauty to our home too. Home gardening has become a trend now. There is a lot of content online, to guide us about how to grow plants at home. Videos on you tube, photos and guidance material on gardening websites are available abundantly. So, it's very easy to learn to grow vegetables. After some practice and patience, we become better at it.



A country that comes to my mind while talking about this is, Japan. Many schools in Japan make the kids part of growing vegetables in school. Time is allocated for plucking the produce, cutting and cooking with it. They do it to teach children the value of food. Many children waste food. This can be avoided.

We can save money too. Shopping can be reduced because of growing our own produce. Plants give us oxygen for the lungs and for the souls. Hence for a happier and healthy life, grow your own food and experience the joy.

*B.S.Naga Sai Anagha,  
Grade 4.*



## **Rabbits**

*A Diamante poem*

*Rabbits  
Cute, furry  
Kind and sweet  
Jumping up and down  
Cuddly and hungry  
Active animals  
Rabbits*

*Sri J Ananya  
Grade 4*



## Do traditions make life meaningful or hinder progress

Change is good. Traditions are not static, traditions also change from generation to generation. They are constantly evolving with time. New generations bring new thoughts new ideas, new ways of doing things. However, we rarely recognize this as positive change within the context of culture and traditions.

We always talk about losing our traditions instead of what we have gained or ways that traditions have changed for the better. We seem to think that technological advances and new and innovated thinking as something that is separate from culture and tradition. However, is it because of culture and traditions that progress is possible. And also, tradition does not keep us from advancing

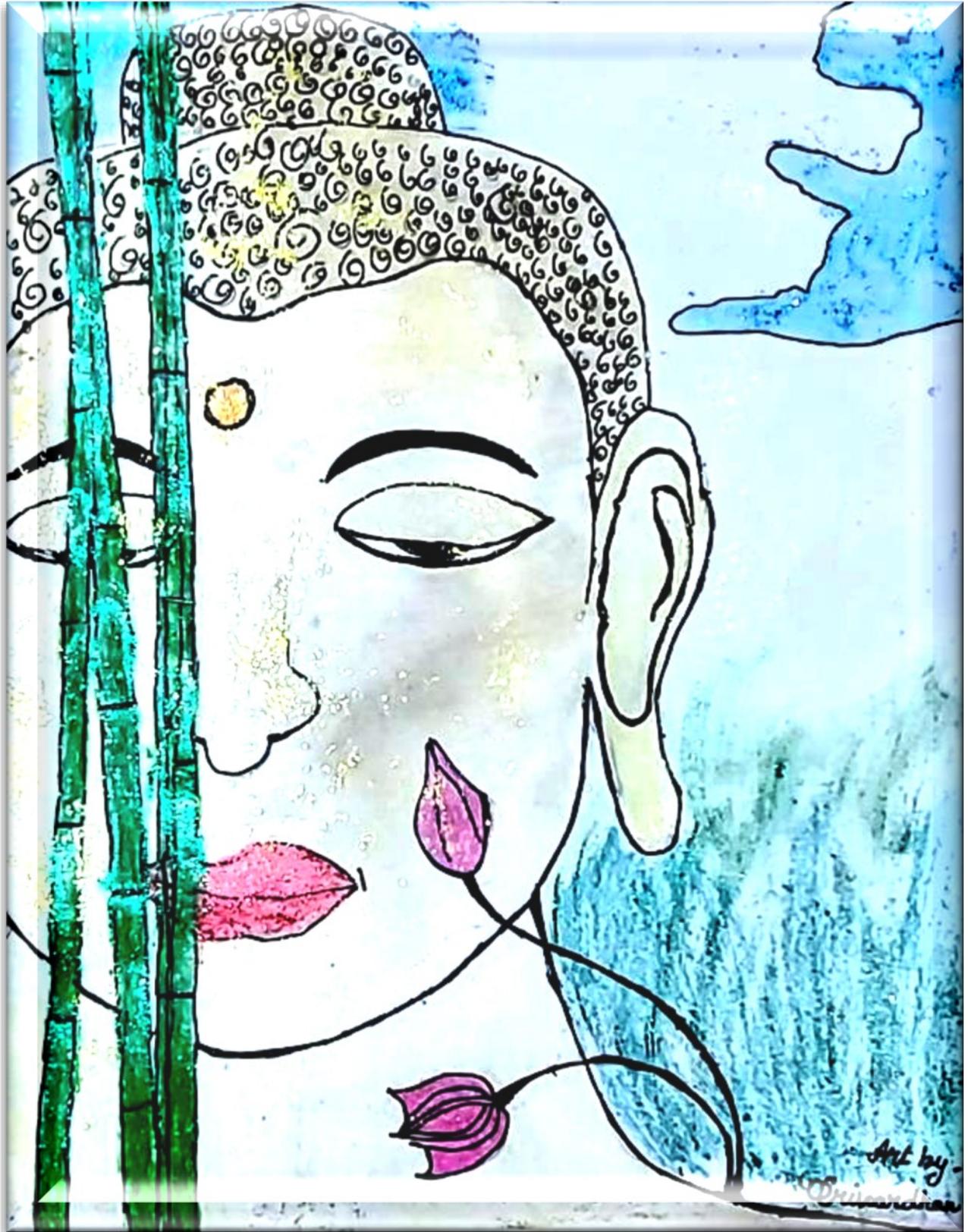
Tradition is about thinking about how people in the past lived and using that as a guideline to our lives. I think if we keep trying to live in the past we distance ourselves from the gradual change happening in society. Tradition can often be perceived as good purely because of nostalgia. If it was so good back then, then why has society changed? It's like saying I miss the days when we were just homo-erectus. We sure had it right back then. People often think that the familiar is better and that different is bad, we should change that perspective. Yes, I believe traditions are an obstacle progress if they become hindrances. They become problems if we follow the traditions like girls after marriage must not go out the house, in this world at present these women are the best home-maker and also the best business women. If we go on following this traditions we fail to live. But if we use traditions to progress, to use it as an example to see how we have grown and developed then it's a good thing. For me traditions are just thoughts in my mind flashing all the time to follow because of our past, it helps me not hinder.

*Srinath Reddy Karur*

*Grade 4*



# The Buddha



*C.S. Srivardhan Gowda*

*Grade 4*



## Mother

Mother you made my day.  
Without you we don't have a way  
You are always alive in my heart  
by giving birth you gave my life a start.  
You're my true friend in this world .  
you grew a garden of love in my heart.  
No matter how old you grow, you are gold.

*Venkata Sai Srikar*  
*Grade 4*



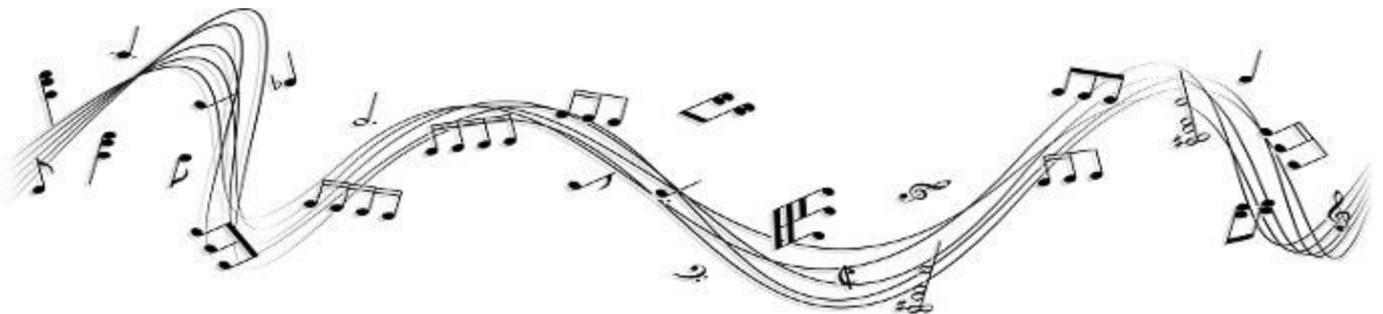
## MUSIC

*A Diamante Poem*

Music  
Art, harmony  
Composing, melody, rocking ,sensation  
feeling ending Emotional  
Clam still  
Silence.



*Esha J. Reddy*  
*Grade 4*



## Caste system in our society

I am Shreya Ragavendra from grade 4, studying in Sharanya Narayani International School near Bangalore. It is a leading Boarding IB school. In Grade 4 we are inquiring about Media and its influences in our Unit of Inquiry.

International Social Justice Day is celebrated on 20th February every year. Using the written media, I want to write about caste system and the shadow it casts on our society even today.

Caste system has been one of the most common and damaging social evils that has been thriving in India for centuries. Centuries ago, communities were grouped or given identities based on the nature of work they were engaged in. As the time progressed this simple idea of grouping people began to associate people with the nature of work they were doing. People engaged in cleaning, farming and other related activities were considered as lower caste, people engaged in learning, managing temples or royal activities were considered as upper caste. Many groups and subgroups emerged, further dividing the people based on their caste.

As caste system thrived, it stigmatized lower caste people and prevented them from access to education, decision making roles in the society, places of worship and good living conditions. Lower caste people were made to live away from villages and towns. They even had to struggle to access drinking water, health care and other basic amenities. This limited access to education and good living conditions resulted in huge disparity of income and wealth.

The deep social division of people caused by caste system was used by many royal families, king and emperors to wield and stay in power for many generations, without having to work on improving social welfare. Even the British managed to use this caste based division of people, and the resulting ignorance among masses, to rule over India for over a century.

The caste based system, by preventing access to education and social welfare, to a section of society, has created social unrest and lack of trust among people.

Even in modern India, with its global identity, the caste based division is almost everywhere, you see caste system is so deep rooted among our people, even with the wide reach of education; people can be polarized based on their caste and community. We get to see this ugly truth, used so effectively, by our political leaders during elections.

As a society, we really cannot experience a holistic development and social welfare, as long as we have caste system that keeps the society divided. Improved access to education among the masses and the rapid urbanization has, to an extent, reduced the influence of caste system in the society. But India being a country who's more than 70% of the population lives in rural areas has a long way before it can emerge out of the evil effects of the caste system

*Shreya Ragavendra*  
*Grade 4*



## Ladybug

Loving and cute bugs.

Always playing together.

Dancing and flying.

Yeh! There is a cute red bug in my room.

Being a lady bug is fun.

Unique beautiful colour on its back.

Going to the leaves all the time



*Venkata Sai Srikar*  
*Grade 4*



# Racism

Many of us know people talk about dark and fair skinned people. It is immature to point to people and mention dark and fair skin tones , we all are just humans and God didn't send us to discriminate people based on colour but to live happily in this enormous world.

How will it even benefit us if we are discriminating against people? Racism is where people are discriminated based on their skin colour, for example: you see a black cat and white cat would you say that the white cat is better than the black cat? The same way people are discriminated based on their colour. For me black and white is like 2 sides of a coin and now the problem based on skin tone has become larger than the sun.

Do you know in New York city, 88 % of police stops in 2018 involved black and Latin American people ? while only 10 % involved white people (Of those stops, 70% were completely innocent.)

Why is racism happening? They think that their race is superior and in past, historically dark skinned people were treated as slaves. History also shows during 2015 the African American students where only 15 % of total USA enrolment , but they suspended 35 % of students because they dark skinned. It's a really really sad state.

In the end I would like to conclude that skin colour of a person doesn't matter, their character depends on how they behave in front of society and their personality matters. Once Martin Luther King Jr. said , "I have a dream that my four little children will one day be in a nation where they will not be judged by their colour but by their content of their character' , that day has still not come sadly

*Venkata Sai Srikar*  
*Grade 4*



## RICH OR POOR

We live in the public eye today which is framed of two distinct classes called the rich and poor people. There are more contrasts between them .

Gap between the poor and rich is a big issue in India. It has been in the list of main agenda of most of the big political parties in the country and even now it is listed in the agenda but unfortunately there are not much progress in this regard although the government promises.

In Economic terms poor is the person who has less purchasing power and the rich is one who has more purchasing power. A person with less purchasing power is deeply affected because he cannot afford goods and services which the rich can afford and it's safe to say without that he cannot change his lifestyle and standard of living. Poor-rich gap can be in different forms. Some of the fields where the gap exists are Education, Life style, Housing requirement, food needs to name of few.

By above description it is clear that most of the area poor are lagging. From long back poor people have been ignored by the government but ignoring the poor and their demands is not the solution because with poverty not only poor suffer but the country suffers as well. Poverty is one of the big hurdles in the way of Indian Economy. Poor people live in mostly village area and in cities in search of jobs.

Government has made so many attempts for resolving this gap, some of them was part of Five year plans and excellent concepts from the highly educated personalities but because of corruption it was not implemented in a way it could be, as a result it is taking so much time if everything would have been done properly it could not be as worse as today.

Only money is not the problem, even Indian government is spending so much money on the poor and there are schemes like the Employment guarantee scheme under which they get guarantee of having 100 days work with the best wages available and rice and other food commodities are available at very low cost for people who come in below the poverty line group. So money is not the only problem, corruption and policies which provide money will not be sufficient to solve this problem permanently

*Esha J. Reddy*  
*Grade 4*



## BULLY

**B**ullying is mean and rude

**U**nlimited ways to insult others pile up in a bully's head

**L**ack of empathy and respect to fellow-hood

**L**eaves the victim in a helpless mood

**Y**es, it is not only bad but makes others sad

*Sudiksha Gouda*  
*Grade 4*



**STOP**  
**BULLYING NOW!**

# Aliens Probably Exist

Have you ever looked out of the window and wondered, 'are we really alone in this universe?' I know I have.

What if there is other life out there not in our solar system but other galaxies. There are trillions of galaxies, what if there is an improved version of humans living millions and millions of light years away?

There are many reports of people sighting UFO's flying in mid-air, coming from nowhere. On November 14th 2004, a training mission near San Diego became one that Commander David Fravor will never forget it probably remain the one thing he still cannot explain . Fravor recalls seeing a tic-tac shaped object that moved on water that was much faster than the capability of any know weaponry that is currently known to mankind. It looked similar to a submarine, it was white, it had no wings and no rotors. Fravor said it had no windows either.

U.S and Israeli governments confirm that aliens exist but humanity is not ready to know the truth and only time can reveal the truth, in the meanwhile we will always wonder !

*Naiara Kaitlyn*

*Grade 4*



# Rainbow

“A rainbow is a sky’s lovely garden”, tells us Angile Weiland. I think it’s a fantastic quote. It’s absolutely true. In a garden, we see various flowers. This makes the garden colourful and beautiful. In the same way, the plain blue sky becomes colourful and beautiful when a rainbow appears.

We get attracted to the rainbow because of its vibrant colours, **VIBGYOR** (Violet, Indigo, Blue, Green, Yellow, Orange and Red. ) These are the colours that comprise the rainbow. In reality, we can spot only the prominent colours **Blue, Red, Yellow, and Green**. I love to see the rainbow in the sky. I have seen it while travelling on the highways, above the hills, a pretty rainbow in the sky, is the perfect view to have. My grandmother always calls out to my sister and me when she spots one outside our house. We get excited to see it. It’s always amazing.

A rainbow is caused because of sunlight and a few certain atmospheric conditions. When the light enters a water droplet, it slows down and bends as it goes from air to denser water. The light reflects off the droplet separating into its component wavelengths of colours. When the light exits the droplets it makes a rainbow!

You can mostly see the rainbow in summer or in the month of June. We can spot it in summer because a rainbow needs to be located opposite to the Sun. There needs to be a clear path from the Sun to the rain falling from the cloud. This happens only in summer. Hence, rainbows are mostly seen in summer.

Hawaii is also known as the rainbow state. You can see the stunning rainbows across the chain of islands. The location and climate of the US island state makes it the perfect state for experiencing rainbows. The winds gather moisture and carry it until they hit a mountain.

Lingering sheets of moisture over the mountains mixed with bright sunlight are the perfect condition for rainbows to form. Also, the salt in the air helps act as a prism to make the rainbows more intense. You'll most likely spot rainbows earlier in the morning or late in the afternoon.

Basically, the rainbow is a beautiful, pretty bow in the sky that rises with the help of sunlight and rain. It is a very special type of natural phenomenon, gifted by God to mankind. Rainbow is the ornament of the sky which gives joy and happiness to everyone.

*B.S.Naga Sai Anagha,  
Grade 4.*



## Sun

*A diamante poem*

### Sun

Hot, bright  
Warmth, blazing, burn  
Shimmering, glowing, gold, light  
Blinding, shining, great  
Magnificent, huge  
Life

*Shreya Ragavendra  
Grade 4*



## Global Injustice: Racial Discrimination.

“I look to a day when people will not be judged by the colour of their skin, but by the content of their character” said Martin Luther King Jr.

Only that “DAY” seems to be seven eternities away.....

I am Sudiksha from grade 4, studying in Sharanya Narayani International School near Bangalore. It is a leading Boarding IB school. In Grade 4 we are inquiring about Media and its influences in our Unit of Inquiry.

International Social Justice Day is celebrated on 20th February every year. Using the written media, I want to write about Racial Discrimination.

Firstly, even though LOGIC is said to be half of the human’s brain, that very same logic seems to make humans inhumane. It makes us racially discriminate our fellow human beings. Our logic is in fact blinded by irrational belief system.

Not only is being light-skinned considered beauty, but melanin-rich people, that is dark-skinned people get higher, more intense punishments for the same crimes as compared to light skinned people even today!

This is not something that started now, it dates go back to old Colonial history (1700’s) and lives and effects lives even TODAY. Majority of the slaves in the World History were apparently dark skinned people.

The Atlantic slave trade had, more than 470,000 slaves having been forcibly transported from Africa between 1626 and 1860 to present day United States.

Coming to the present, In New York City, 88% of Police Stops led to dark people and 10% to light skinned people, out of which 70% of the cases that involved black people were actually proven to be INNOCENT, this is a recent 2018 data.

It is sad to know that studies say since 2013 till 2017, fair-skinned patients received better and quality health care than 40% of much deserving dark-skinned people.

But do not think it is just a thing of the PAST, because personally, whenever I get verbally bullied, it keeps haunting me and it seems to slam me harder than a base-ball bat, and I am sure same are the feelings of the dark skinned people, whenever they get affected by racism.

The seeds of racism are so well rooted in the society that even children undergo tremendous amounts of bullying, directed at dark-skinned kids and teens, for no other specific reason at all, with about 15.8% of the children being reported racially being bullied as per surveys in the US.

In conclusion, you know the famous rhetorical question “Well how would you feel” and that is something that many racially discriminated people have to ask the world.

Hope the “DAY” Martin Luther King Jr was talking about be Tomorrow!

*Sudiksha Gouda*  
*Grade 4*



## Black & White

*Diamante poem*

White  
Graceful, Serene  
Sparkly, Glittery, Peaceful  
Happy, Clean, Anger, Triumph  
Confidence, Beauty, History  
Bold, Daring  
Black.

*Naiara Kaitlyn*

*Grade 4*



Women of Colour  
We are made up of a million colours!



*Sudiksha Gouda*  
*Grade 4*



## WINTER

Winter is beautiful

I love winter

Nights are ice cold

Trees are covered with snow

Everyone enjoys the season with bright smiles

Remember to carry your jackets everywhere



*Parikshith.S*

*Grade 2A*



## Mother's Love

For everything  
I am today  
My mother's love  
Showed me the Way

*Rushil G. Gowda*

*Grade 2A*



# My Trip in Hot Air Balloon



One day I was bored at home. Then I got an idea of riding a hot air balloon. My wish came true. The hot air balloon came to me!

The hot air balloon took me to the T.V world . When I entered the T.V world, I was Ben 10 , found his Omnitrix. Then I saw Shin Chan tearing a book. After that Doremon came and changed his brain. Then he started reading the book. Next I saw Emojis. The Emojis started dancing on the table. I saw big recorders watching me. Then I was in the T.V Program. My Mom clapped when she saw me on T.V.



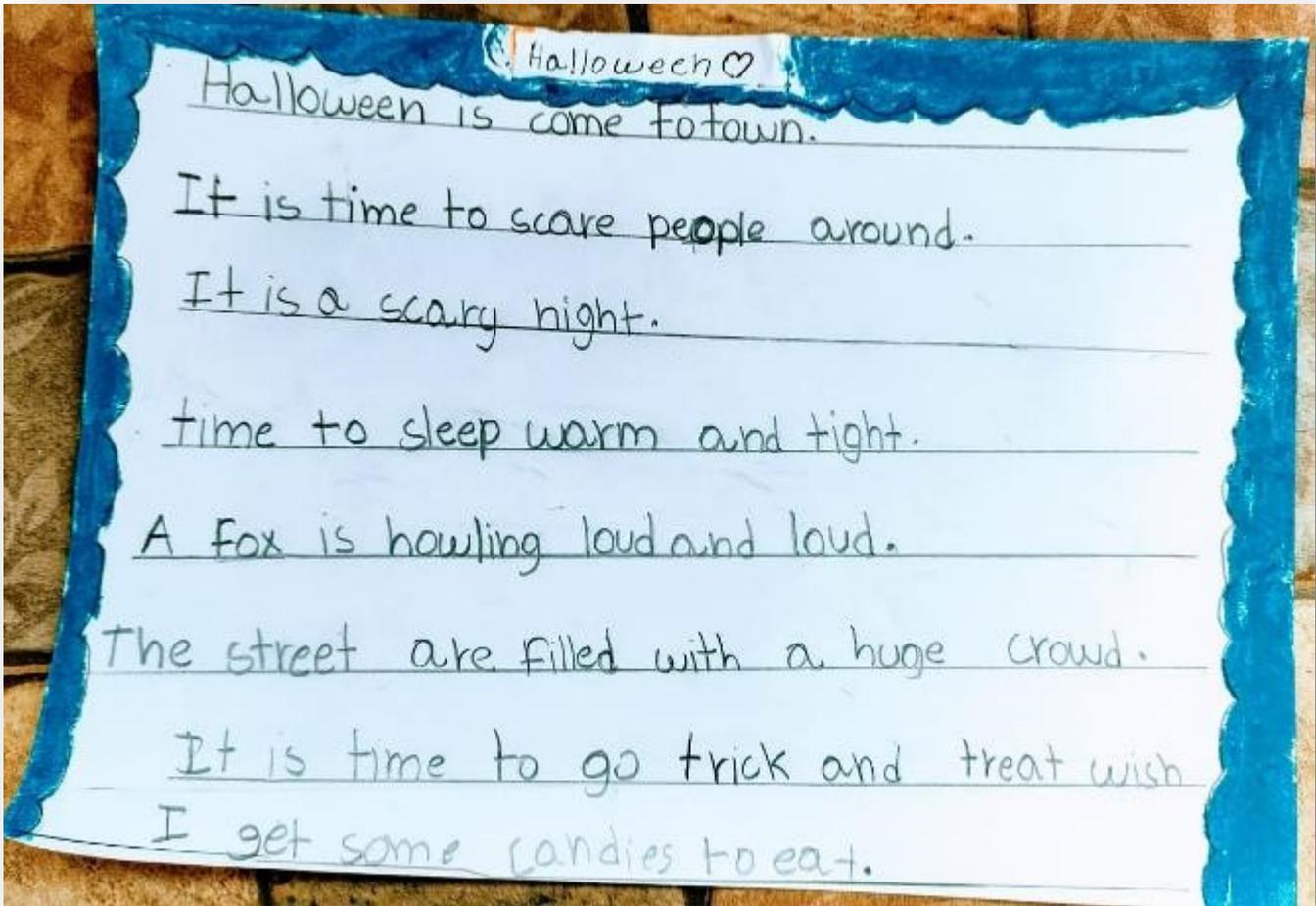
I came back home with Ben 10 . I was happy to have a wonderful trip.

*Siddhant Mehrotra*

*Grade 2B*



# Halloween



*Sharelle Ann Dsouza*  
*Grade 3*





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