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When Opportunities Come Knocking



Gone are the days when schools were just places of learning. Today a student spends a lot of time in school not only pursuing academics but also indulging in a host of other activities which provide a rich environment for personal growth. I wonder whether one realises and utilises the chances one gets in school. Let me just digress a little.

I remember reading a story about a poor man who ardently prayed to God to make him rich. He would go around his place of worship reciting prayers with closed eyes and hands joined in supplication. God decided to grant the man's wish by placing a pot of gold in his path when he came for his daily circumambulation or the ritual walk around the temple. But did the man receive his pot of gold? No. He was so busy reciting his prayers with closed eyes that he never saw what was in his path. The story did not strike me as having any deeper meaning then and I only felt pity for the foolish person.

Today I feel that so many of us are like that person in the story. We wish to achieve lots of things and even pray for divine help sometimes expecting something to fall into our laps readily. Little do we realise that many of us have been blind to opportunities that have come knocking at our door.

We have to make the best of what is within and without. There is no particular age for achieving one's goals but one can't deny the fact that opportunities abound when you are a student in a school which has the best of infrastructure and resources. I do hope that the time spent here becomes '... the wind under your wings [to] bear you where the sun sails and the moon walks' (J.R.R. Tolkien, The Hobbit)

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BASKETBALL

The recent basketball tournament held on 28th January at SNIS was nothing short of exhilarating. Students from various grades participated in the tournament with great enthusiasm and sportsmanship. The tournament took place over the course of a few days, and every match was filled with nail-biting excitement.

After a series of intense matches, the Juniper team emerged victorious, winning the championship. The team played exceptionally well throughout the tournament, showcasing their skills and teamwork.

The Juniper team secured the second position, putting up a tough fight against Magnolia in the finals. They displayed remarkable skill and coordination, making the finals a close call.



The Aspen team secured the third position, playing impressively throughout the tournament. They proved to be a force to reckon with, putting up a great fight in every match.

The Sequoia team, although they came last, played their hearts out and showed great sportsmanship. They displayed a never-give-up attitude, which is the essence of any sport.

Overall, the tournament was a grand success, and the students had a fantastic time cheering their respective teams. The tournament was a true testament to the spirit of sportsmanship and teamwork that SNIS instills in its students. Congratulations to all the teams that participated and gave it their best shot.





The football tournament held on 18th April at SNIS was an incredible event that showcased the athletic prowess and team spirit of our school's finest football players. The excitement was palpable as the teams took to the field, ready to battle it out for the coveted championship title.

In the end, it was Juniper who emerged as the victors, securing a well-deserved win after a hard-fought match. Aspen came in a close second, putting up a valiant effort throughout the tournament. Magnolia came in third place, earning a well-deserved spot on the podium, while Sequoia gave it their all, despite coming last.

The event was a celebration of sportsmanship and teamwork, with all the players displaying a great deal of respect for each other on and off the field. It was inspiring to see such a positive and cheerful environment where everyone was able to enjoy the games in a spirit of healthy competition.

A testament to the talent and dedication of our school's football players.

Congratulations to all the participants!







Inter School Cricket Match

In a thrilling inter-school cricket match held on April 1, 2023, students from SNIS and students from one of the best cricket schools battled it out on the field. The match took place at our school's home ground, and both teams put in their best efforts to come out victorious.







The toss was won by our school (SNIS), and we elected to bat first. The opening batsmen, Manjunath and Hemanth, made a confident start, scoring runs at a steady pace. The visiting school's bowlers struggled to find the right line and length, and our team made good use of the loose deliveries. We lost our first wicket in the fifth over. Our school team captain (Gowtham Gowda) came out to bat with high confidence, but he couldn't convert that confidence into runs. When the captain got out, there was a pin-drop silence in the ground; the silence told how important the wicket was. However, our vice-captain (Manjunath) was rock solid in the middle. Then the full team was under pressure, but our star (Soumith) didn't allow that pressure to stay on our side for a long time. Our coach and the audience were thrilled to see some excellent strokeplay by our school's superstars (Manjunath and Soumith). It was mind-blowing to watch them hit those long, long sixes all over the ground. There was this one six where the ball was sent to throw ball court by our magic Manjunath and Mr. Justin was holding their nerve when Soumith was hitting the ball so hard straight to the boy's dorm. Although it took them some time to score 50 runs together, for the next 50 runs, they just took 25 balls. Those 25 balls were hit so well that it gave goosebumps to the audience and the opposing team members. I think they showed hell to the opposing team members.



Inter school cricket match





However, Soumith fell after a marvellous inning, but Manjunath was not in the mood to stop the wind he was creating. He went on to score his first-ever century, and it was a very proud moment for him and our school. And at that moment, the whole school cheered and celebrated with him. We were content to have witnessed such a sight.

Our school posted a solid score on the board at the end of the first inning. (Innings Break: SNIS CRIC CHAMPS: 215/9 in 30 overs (Sai 0, Nithin 8))

In response, the visiting team got off to a shaky start, and again, the reason for that shaky start was our miraculous Manjunath. Gowtham and Manjunat bowled the first spell, where Gowtham bowled an economical spell and Manjunath kept on banging the stumps. He took three wickets in the first two overs. Everyone was stunned by seeing those stumps fly. Our team got off to a flying start, but they lost their rhythm in the middle overs. Everyone suffered in the middle innings except Kautilya. He took two wickets with an economy of 8.20.

In the end, we didn't get the results we wanted. Our team lost by 4 wickets. It was a heartbreak for everyone because everyone was so involved in the game. But it's fine; this is one of the best cricket matches we have ever seen in my life. It was not easy, especially with the varying temperatures outside.











Run 4 Care

We are delighted to bring you news about the success of this year's "**Run 4 Care 4.0**" event organized by our school in support of Karunashraya Hospice Trust.

As you may already know, Karunashraya is a non-profit organization that provides palliative care and support to patients with advanced stage cancer. The organization relies on donations from the community to continue their vital work, and events like "Run 4 Care" help raise awareness and funds for this critical cause.

This year's event took place on 29th January, and saw participants from all walks of life, with different age groups taking part in various categories of the marathon. From the 3 km walk to the 10 km run, everyone had a chance to challenge themselves physically and contribute to a good cause at the same time.





We would like to express our gratitude to all the participants, volunteers, and donors who made this event a success. We hope to see you all again next year for another successful "Run for Care" event!

TEDxYouth@SNIS

We are excited to share with you the success of our school's first-ever TEDx event, **TEDxYouth@SNIS** hosted by the school's TED club on January 22, 2023. The event was a culmination of months of hard work by the organizers, speakers, and volunteers, and we are proud to say that it was a huge success.

The TEDx event was organized with the aim of providing a platform for students, teachers, and community members to share their ideas and inspire others. The theme for the event was "Inside the Human Mind", and the talks centered around this theme were nothing short of inspiring.



Organizing a TEDx event is no small feat, and the organizing committee put in a tremendous effort to make it a reality. They worked tirelessly for months, collaborating with speakers, sponsors, and volunteers to ensure that the event would be a success.

Overall, TEDxYouth@SNIS has left a lasting impact on the school community and beyond, inspiring change and sparking conversations that will continue to shape our world for years to come. We look forward to more events in the future!



Grade 10 GP Presentation

Students of Grade 10 carried out their presentation on drug and substance abuse for their GP Team Project. It was impressive to see the depth and breadth of knowledge that the team brought to the table. The team's presentation was informative, engaging, and thought-provoking.

The students discussed the various factors that contribute to drug and substance abuse, including social and economic pressures, mental health issues, and genetic predispositions. They emphasised the need for a multifaceted strategy that combines prevention, intervention, and treatment to combat drug and substance misuse. People were also apprised of the distinction between prescribed and illicit substances.

One of the key messages of the presentation was that drug and substance abuse is not a moral failing or a sign of weakness, but rather a complex medical condition that requires proper care and treatment. The students urged the audience to break down the stigma associated with addiction and approach it with empathy and understanding.

The presentation also provided valuable information on the different types of drugs and substances that are commonly abused and their effects on the body and brain. The speaker stressed the importance of educating oneself and others about these substances to make informed decisions and avoid potentially harmful situations.

The session was highly interactive and had plenty of Q&A sessions.

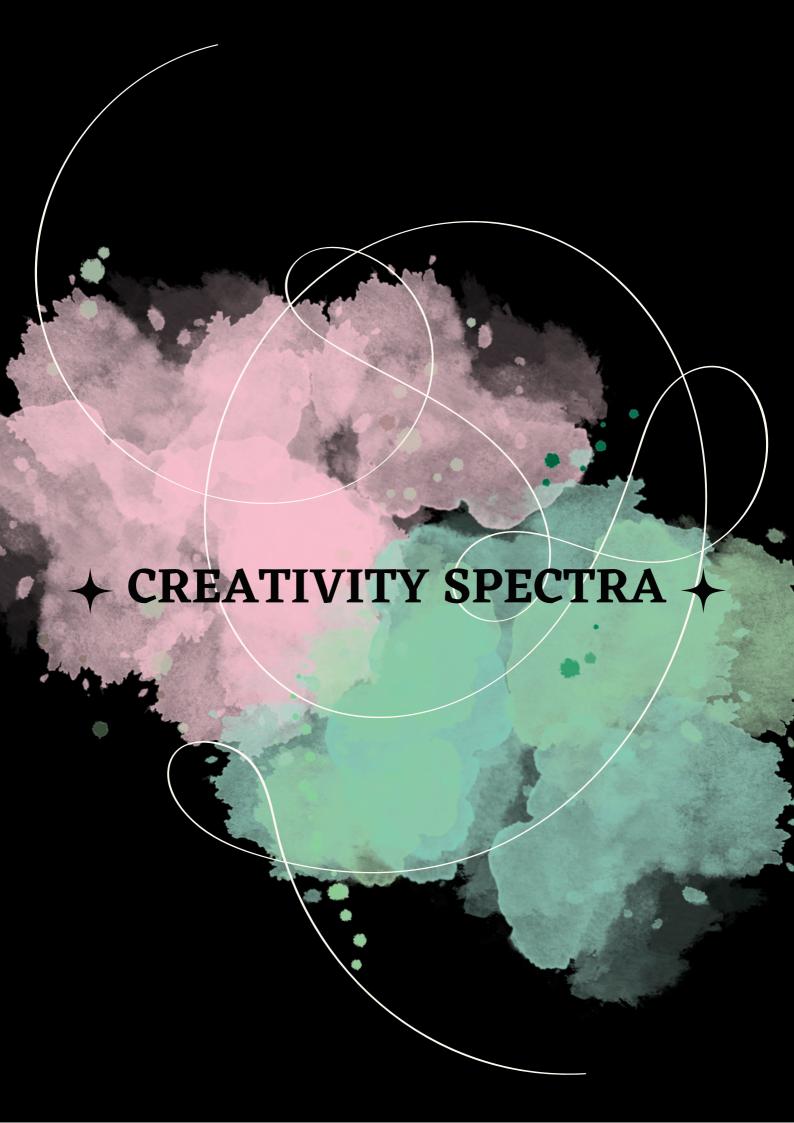
The presentation also touched on the role that family and friends can play in supporting someone battling addiction. The panel stressed the need for compassion, understanding, and patience when helping someone overcome addiction.

The audience got the chance to ask questions and get clarity on the subject during the Q&A that followed the presentation. The presentation underlined the need for preventive steps to address this urgent issue and gave useful information about drug and substance abuse risks.



This year Holi at SNIS was a blast! After 2 consecutive years of the pandemic life due to which celebrations like Holi stayed dormant. Faces smeared with a spectrum of colours soon washed away with water streams from water guns, green grass temporarily stained pink and purple, and white shirts being dyed with herbal gulal, is a sight we all surely missed. But the wait was definitely worth it, as the event turned out to be a cherishable and memorable one for all.





A Sweet Part in Life

A smile can bring sparkles to the eyes.

A smile can bring joy to your insides.

A smile can relieve all the pain in your heart.

A smile, although small, plays a powerful part.

A smile demolishes stress.

A smile demonstrates a feeling that can't be expressed.

A smile is all we need in today's world.

A smile can be found even in the underworld.

A smile is something that you didn't know you needed.

A smile will always be warmly greeted.

~ Pari Jain 11A

My Take on MUNs

As I write this, I am met with the same question I asked myself after attending an event that I signed up for without a second thought, thoroughly regretting my decision after I had gone through with it. I wasn't entirely unfamiliar with the event by itself, having attended the likes of it, prior to this time. However, this time around, I was pleasantly surprised. At least, that's what I told myself.

Looking back, it amuses me now and I found it revolting then.

Briefly put, word had gone around, of an MUN being hosted by a school, and our school had been invited. I signed up, excited. Not. The three days comprising that MUN, I accustomed myself to each of the 7 stages of grief, occasionally to apprehension, just the same.

I didn't doubt my competence, merely my ability to make use of it, and I don't know which one of those situations is more depressing. As interested as I was, just as disinterested I was in making myself a part of it. I could foresee the course of the conference accurately, while not walking along that way myself. By the end of it, I was exhausted and I had met too many people than I would like to, on a regular day. Or a week. Perhaps, a month. A year?



The next day, I head to my MUN coordinator's office, with a very concise plan in mind; to very courteously refuse the offer of attending any MUN in the future, only to find out that my name has already been registered for another one. I appear civil as I go along with it anyways, a war raging in my mind.



With a loaded mental ammunition, taking aim at anything even remotely suggesting MUNs being fun, I went along with it anyways.

Only to not find it as repulsive, this time around.

And this MUN, led to another one. An MUN hosted by my school. I somehow found myself as not only a delegate, but part of the organizing committee, hosting our first offline MUN. And that led to another one, which further led me to the one I attended last Friday. I came home, having been recognized as the best delegate, and I wondered how I felt about the whole ordeal now.

In all the MUNs I have been to, diversity has been prominent throughout. Interesting by itself, how the MUN reflects the diversity of why it's held. Each agenda, each committee, each session, is diverse. To conclude an MUN, requires debate, consideration and agreeing to a resolution that is concise and effective (not always, voting procedures can reduce one's faith in humanity) and for that solution to be effective, comes the required input to understand diverse and (preferably) legally binding instruments which make your argument relevant.



This diversity is often reflected by the MUN as an event, be it the students there or their range of expertise, and anything else I have been too dazed to recognize. I have met students who were attending their first MUN, students who were attending their 30th MUN, students who had lost count, or students who were still in disbelief that their impulsive decision to sign up for an MUN was finally coming back to haunt them.

I have met students who go to MUNs because they find it enjoyable, students who want to add something significant to their college applications and students who believe that MUN's are a stepping stone towards their future career in law and international relations.

And this made me wonder, where I fell. I do not go to MUNs because I find them immeasurably enjoyable, but I believe I've warmed up to them. It isn't a decision I make with regards to anything I will require in my educational or professional life, however, I just continue to agree to go to an MUN when the opportunity comes to me.

Recalling my interest in international law and its effectiveness can perhaps be a reason as to why I continue to go to MUNs and will quite possibly, continue to, in the future.

And perhaps this goes on to answer the question I asked myself at the very beginning, 'Why did I sign up for this?'. Well, now we know.



By Shreenilla Bose Grade 11



~ Mansi Chawdiker Grade 6A



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Library

A place to be
Where knowledge leads you free
The smell of books all around
The perfect book is to be found
Now is the time to read
To an adventure, it will lead
Fishes, boats, and castle toads
Making way for mysterious roads
Oh my love for all the books
I can't explain it without you

~ Mansi Chawdiker 6A



~Omkar Grade8

Begin from where you are and forget the past,
You can't make a fresh start by obsessing about the past.
Whether you've certainly put everything behind you

Well, you've had more than enough, you're over it;
This is a new thread inside the game, and it includes real
competitors you've arranged.

Don't reflect back just to the past or the vanished days.

Start from where you are at the moment.

Whenever something goes wrong, as it always does,

If the path you're on seems to be completely straight,

When finances are tight but debts are enormous, Sometimes when you'd like to cheer, you could only weep.

When concern is dragging you down a little, take a break if you have to, but don't lose hope.

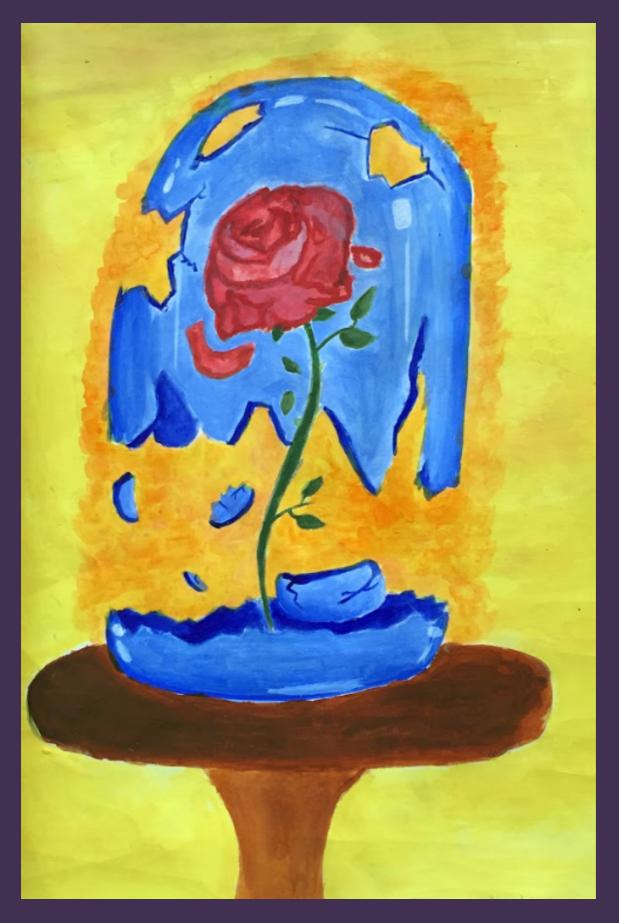
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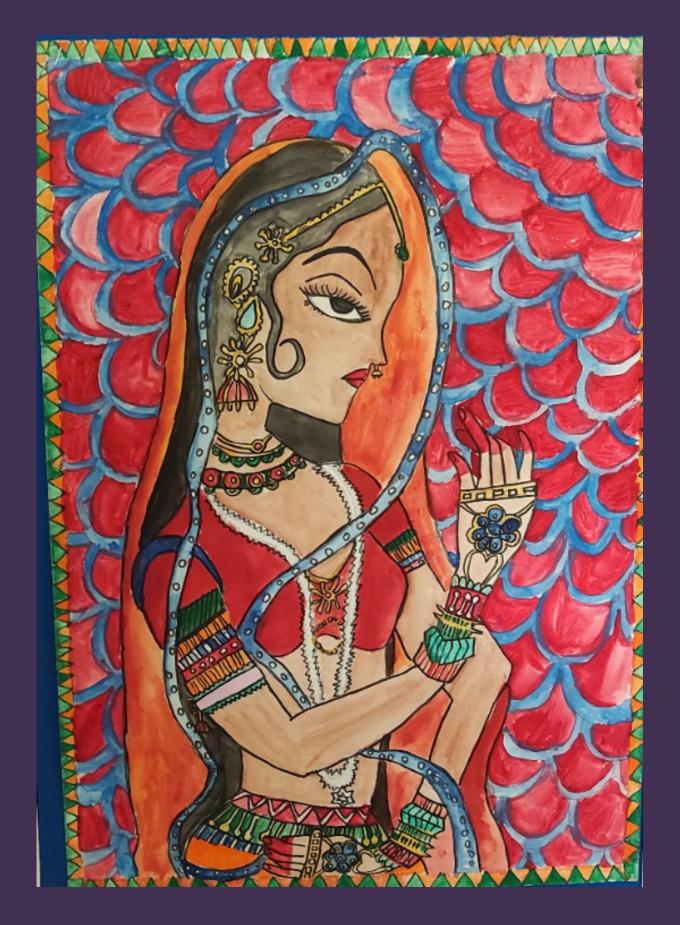
~Pranati Grade 7



~Joshna J Jeslin Grade 7

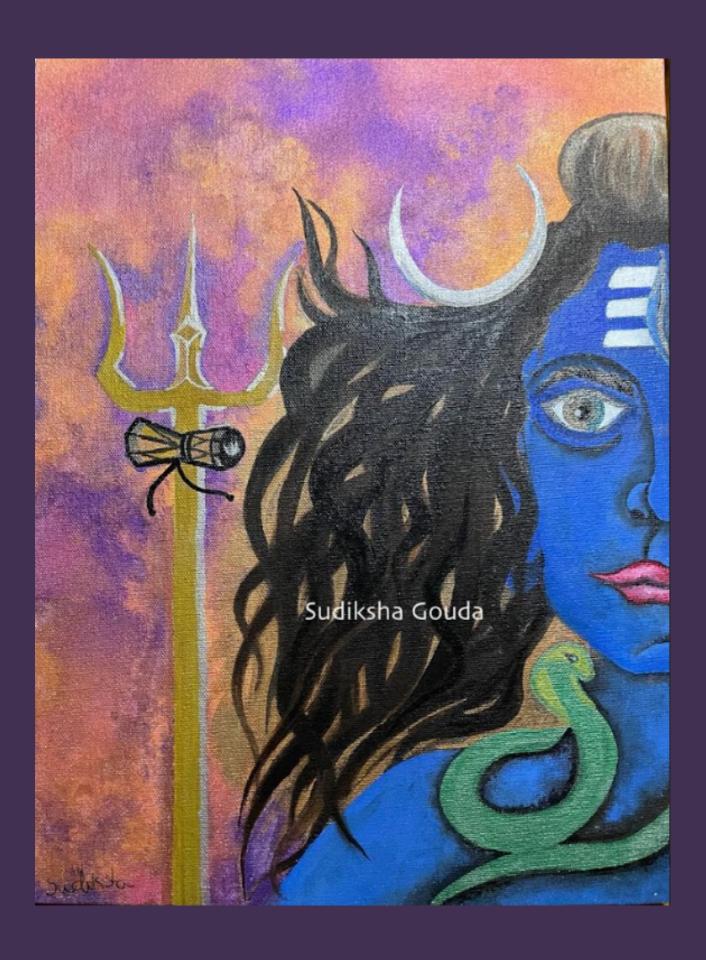


~ Michelle Sarah Abraham Grade 7



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In Bloom













~ Iha Ramesh 11A

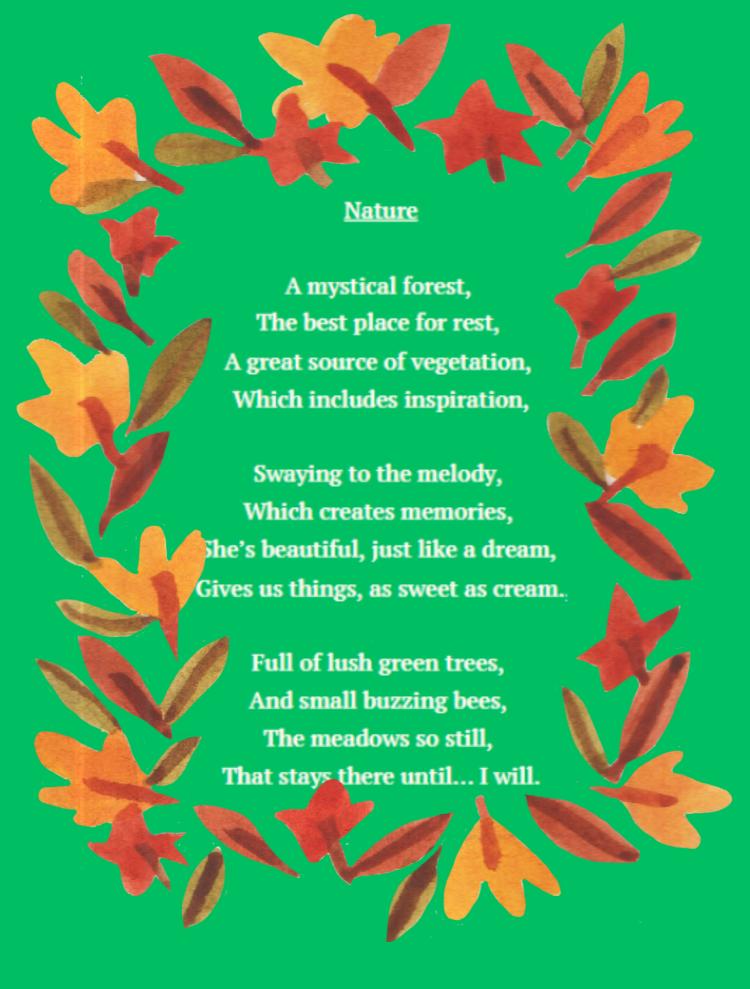
Oath

To love and to protect I shall
A vow I am forsaken to have
Thou simple wish of mine
Is solely for you to shine
The thought of you washing it all away
A fear cripples me
I simply cannot adhere

The decision is yours to make my dear Yet the trigger waiting for you A friend or a foe Will always be present No matter how hard you try It will never disappear

The constant urge to intervene
Is barricaded by the thoughts of losing you
Only if you would just listen
Oh, how much I can help you so

A drop won't make a difference
It will just tip the flow just a little
Soon you shall realise
It was all for you
An oath I took, I can't break
For you shall never be free
From the love that will poison you
Over and over again

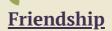


~By Anagha Grade 6

RED

It is the colour of blood,
The colour of love,
The colour of revenge,
The colour of sacrifice,
The colour of danger,
The colour of courage,
The colour of passion,
Oh how much you show, my
sweet red!

~By Anagha Grade 6



She helps me with my troubles, Like popping a troubling bubble, She is soo kind, Which makes me blind.

We'll stay loyal And treat each other like royals, We trust each other, Just like my own brother,

We play basketball, Or even go to the mall I will be with her all the way through, **Just until I'm 102...**

All the wonders of science

Science is a boon, Which took man to the moon It is experimental, and many were accidental!

It is mathematical, But not grammatical! It should be accurate, Or else we can't celebrate...

Einstein tried his best, Without any rest, Observing Earth and sky,

~By Anagha Grade 6

Beyond and yonder, Lies a future, Awaiting her legacy, A glorious destiny. A woman she is, A legendary whizz, Risen so high, Yet why do they lie, That a woman can't dare. To be a historic flare? They just don't know, That soon they have to bow, At how the women, Will shake up the world unforgiven. And so it is said and must be. That they receive equality, Afterall, what downplayed are they, From the rest of creation?

> -Sudiksha Gouda, Grade 6A.

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