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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Children,

The second mid-terminal examination is around the corner. I say, we will have one more celebration: though we have had many celebrations, this one is something special. With positivity and confidence

go ahead to face the exam. Believe in yourself. You are the best and never ever compare yourself with others. Compare your previous performances, particularly the marks of first terminal examination of this academic year. Some keep on scoring good marks while some others do not. Is it because of the lack of ability? No, is the emphatic answer. One of the main reasons is nothing but procrastination. What is it? What, if you have the habit? How do we free ourselves from it? Let's discuss procrastination in this December edition of epics.

Procrastination is the habit of putting off doing something, especially out of habitual carelessness, or to delay needlessly. Thesaurus defines it as deferring an action to a later time.

We have all procrastinated at some time in our lives. I know I have, only to regret about it later. Procrastination leads to a negative attitude. The habit of procrastination fatigues you more than the effort it takes to do it.

A completed task is fulfilling and energizing; an incomplete task drains energy like a leak from a tank.

If you want to build and maintain a positive attitude, get into the habit of living in the present and doing it now.

James Albery, the English dramatist once said, "He slept beneath the moon, he basked beneath the sun; he lived a life of going to do and died with nothing done"

Shakespeare's tragic heroes met with their tragic ends because of one severe flaw in their characters. And Hamlet lost his life all because of his procrastination.

**When I Become a Big Boy** --- This is like the little boy who says when I become a big boy, I will do this and that, then I will be happy. And when he becomes a big boy he says, I will when I finish college. And when he finishes college he says, I will when I get my first job. And when he gets his first job he says, I will when I get married. But when he gets married he says, oh I will when the kids get out of school. And when the kids get out of school, he says, I will when I retire. And when he retires what does he see? He sees life has just gone by before his eyes and he has

done nothing. Time and tide waits for no man. It passes by in a fraction of a second and all becomes the past. Then you can only look back and regret.

Some people practice procrastination by excusing themselves with rhetorical words like "I'm analyzing" or "I'm scrutinizing", but six months later they will still be analyzing or scrutinizing.. What they don't realize is that they are suffering from a disease called, "**Paralysis of Analysis**" and they will never succeed.

Then there is another breed of people who procrastinate by saying "I'm getting ready" and a month later they are still getting ready and six months later, they are still getting ready. What they don't realize is that they are suffering from a disease called "**Excusitis**.". They keep on making excuses.

Life is not a dress rehearsal. I don't care what philosophy you believe in--we have got only one shot at this game called life. The stakes are too high. The stakes are the future generations.

What time is it and where are we? The answer is now and we are here. Let's make the best of now and utilize the present to the fullest. The message is not that we don't need to plan for the future. The message is that if we utilize our present to its fullest, we are sowing the seeds for a better future automatically, aren't we?

If you want to build a positive attitude, learn the phrase, "**do it now**" and stop the habit of procrastination.

The saddest words in life are: "It might have been," "I should have," "I could have," "I wish I had," "If only I had given a little extra." Save yourself from such regrets.

Always keep the quote of Benjamin Franklin in your mind. "Never leave till tomorrow which you can do today".

When people say, "I will do it one of these days," you can be sure it means none of these days.

Some people keep waiting for all lights to turn green before they leave home. That will never happen and they fail even before they start. That is sad.

So the message is -**Stop procrastinating**: Isn't it time that we put off putting things off?. Dear children, take a decision today: not today but **now**. Plan your goals and decide that you **will** do it in the present. Will Power is important. Modify your habit of- I will do it -to the habit of -Doing it **Now**. All the best to each and every one of you.

Wish you **all the best** for the exams.

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## ICSK ON FACEBOOK AND YOUTUBE

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# EDITORS' NOTE

Dear children,

Here we are with the next issue of EPICS and the last one for the year 2019. When we look back we celebrated examinations, won competitions, welcomed many distinguished guests ... In short 2019 has been an eventful one. Let's continue our journey with zeal and enthusiasm.

A little story to welcome the new year.

One day all the disciples went to their master and said, "Master, we all are going on a pilgrimage.

Master: Why you want to go on a pilgrimage trip?

Disciples: So that we can improve our devotion.

Master: OK. Then do me a favour. Please take this karela (bitter gourd) along with you and wherever you go and whichever temple you visit, place it in the alter of the Deity, take the blessings and bring it back.

So, not only the disciples but the Karela also went on pilgrimage, temple to temple.

And finally when they came back, the Master said, "cook that karela and serve it to me."

The disciples cooked it and served it to the master.

After having the first bite, the master said,

"Surprising"

Disciples: What's so surprising?

Master: Even after the pilgrimage the karela is still bitter. How come?

Disciples: But that's the very nature of the Karela, Master.

Master: That's what I am saying. Unless you change your nature, pilgrimage will not make any difference.

So, you & I, if we do not change ourselves no teacher or guru can make a difference in our lives.

If you think positively,  
Sound becomes music,  
Movement become dance,  
Smile becomes laughter,  
Mind becomes meditative  
Life becomes a celebration

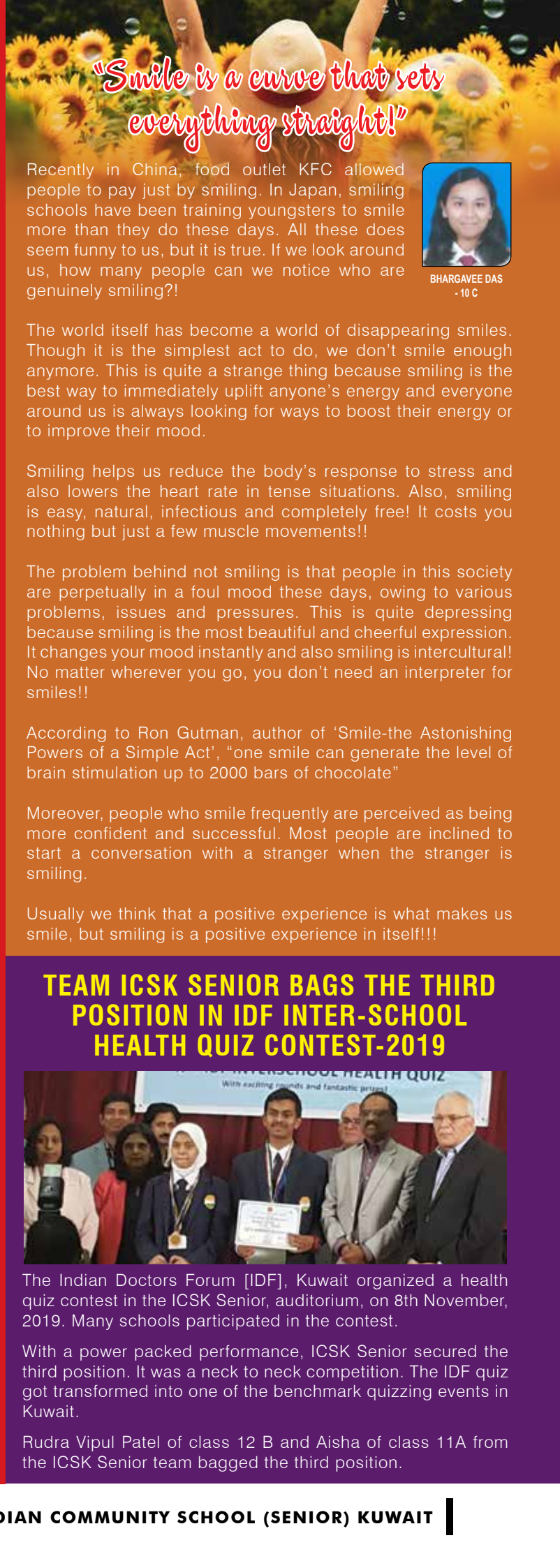
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Mrs. Susan George



Mrs. Tintu Wilson



"Smile is a curve that sets everything straight!"

Recently in China, food outlet KFC allowed people to pay just by smiling. In Japan, smiling schools have been training youngsters to smile more than they do these days. All these does seem funny to us, but it is true. If we look around us, how many people can we notice who are genuinely smiling?!



BHARGAVEE DAS  
- 10 C

The world itself has become a world of disappearing smiles. Though it is the simplest act to do, we don't smile enough anymore. This is quite a strange thing because smiling is the best way to immediately uplift anyone's energy and everyone around us is always looking for ways to boost their energy or to improve their mood.

Smiling helps us reduce the body's response to stress and also lowers the heart rate in tense situations. Also, smiling is easy, natural, infectious and completely free! It costs you nothing but just a few muscle movements!!

The problem behind not smiling is that people in this society are perpetually in a foul mood these days, owing to various problems, issues and pressures. This is quite depressing because smiling is the most beautiful and cheerful expression. It changes your mood instantly and also smiling is intercultural! No matter wherever you go, you don't need an interpreter for smiles!!

According to Ron Gutman, author of 'Smile-the Astonishing Powers of a Simple Act', "one smile can generate the level of brain stimulation up to 2000 bars of chocolate"

Moreover, people who smile frequently are perceived as being more confident and successful. Most people are inclined to start a conversation with a stranger when the stranger is smiling.

Usually we think that a positive experience is what makes us smile, but smiling is a positive experience in itself!!!

## TEAM ICSK SENIOR BAGS THE THIRD POSITION IN IDF INTER-SCHOOL HEALTH QUIZ CONTEST-2019



The Indian Doctors Forum [IDF], Kuwait organized a health quiz contest in the ICSK Senior, auditorium, on 8th November, 2019. Many schools participated in the contest.

With a power packed performance, ICSK Senior secured the third position. It was a neck to neck competition. The IDF quiz got transformed into one of the benchmark quizzing events in Kuwait.

Rudra Vipul Patel of class 12 B and Aisha of class 11A from the ICSK Senior team bagged the third position.





## 200 TEACHER PERSONNELS CONVERGE FOR EDUCATORS' MEET AT THE INDIAN COMMUNITY SCHOOL, KUWAIT



The management of ICSK in association with IIT IIM Alumni Association of Kuwait organized a training session on Happiness Curriculum for the teachers of various schools in Kuwait. Around 200 teachers from different schools witnessed the session. The Chief Guest and Keynote Speaker for this training session were Mr. G. Balasubramanian, Former Director, Academics CBSE.

The other eminent dignitaries present during the session were Mr. Giri Balasubramanian renowned quiz master, Mr. Azharuddin Amir Mohammed Honorable Secretary, Board of Trustees

ICSK, Mr. Bhushan Joshi Secretary IIT IIM, Father Lionel Principal Don Bosco, Dr. Achuthan Madhavan Principal Jabriya Indian School, Mr. Mahesh Aiyer Principal Smart Indian School, Principals and vice principals of all branch schools of ICSK.

Mr. Giri Balasubramanian, known by his pseudonym 'PICK BRAIN', a noted quiz master and Co-Founder of Greycaps, Asia's largest onstage quizzing and knowledge services company, delivered the introductory speech. Mr. G Balasubramanian, Former Director, Academics CBSE, addressed the crowd of teachers. Known for his innovation in

curriculum development and interactive pedagogy, he has been instrumental to the introduction of several innovations in curriculum in CBSE which include frontline curriculum, communicative approach to language teaching. He has authored several books like, MINDSCAPING EDUCATION, CASE STUDIES IN CLASSROOMS etc. He was the keynote speaker for the Happiness Curriculum training session for teachers.

After the effective and groundbreaking presentation, an interactive session was left open for the crowd to ponder over and clear their uncertainties.

## ICSK SENIOR ORGANIZES INJAZ INNOVATION CAMP



An Innovation Camp was organized by the INJAZ Kuwait along with mentors from different fields of the corporate world on 11th November, 2019 in the ICSK Senior School auditorium. Welcome address was delivered by Mrs. Susan Rajesh followed by Mr. Abdullah, the facilitator of the day, and the programme manager of INJAZ, who outlined the objectives and plan of Innovation Camp. The other members of INJAZ who witnessed the programme and volunteered were Batul Sadliwala, Salah Al Mansour, Michelle D'mello, Joann Logan, Adelfa Nachor and Joynel Pinto.

The entire batch of 12th Commerce were split into seven groups. Each group was assigned a mentor who guided them through the special one-day camp.

The INJAZ Innovation Camp was an activity filled day which presented different opportunities to the participants to showcase their talents of quick thinking and public speaking. As students of commerce, this valuable experience helped the students to apply textbook knowledge to practical life situations of starting a business. Video and slide presentations on corporate

topics and business terms such as entrepreneurship, innovation, startup and failure were shared among the young budding entrepreneurs.

A brainstorming challenge was declared where each group had to identify a problem encountered in their daily lives and devise a flexible solution for it. At the end, the students presented their business plans through chart presentations and on stage demonstrations, which were evaluated by judges and 3 teams were awarded the top three places.

# RESPECT OUR TEACHERS



“MATHA PITHA GURU DAIVAM”. This slogan has lost its value in today’s generation. In our free time we must ask our parents and grandparents how they used to respect their teachers. Those days a teacher’s value was close to God.

Teachers play an important role in the lives of students. Apart from your parents they also shape your lives by imparting knowledge to you and help inculcate good morals in you. They are the agents of change and counsel pupils in their choice of career.

However, in spite of the meaningful role teachers play in the lives of pupils, some throw tantrums, curse, insult or even attack teachers when they are punished for wrongdoing.

**Reasons behind the need to respect our teachers are:-**

**They are people with a golden heart:-** They have the passion to teach ,to harvest a new generation with great wisdom ,knowledge and values .

**They have been in your shoes:-** At one point in their lives your teachers were students too, so they understand more than you think.

**They give up A LOT for us:-** Teachers are the hardest workers known. They worked hard for our betterment for our future.

**How to respect our teachers:-**  
By behaving respectfully to our teachers:-

we need to understand that we must respect our teachers from the bottom of our hearts and not feign obsequious behaviour and formalities. We must acknowledge the efforts carried by our teachers to teach us. We need to respect the sacrifices made by our teachers .



JOVEN JOSE  
-10 C

**Be helpful whenever you can:-** . This can be as simple as holding the door open for your teacher when they have their hands full or helping them pick up objects that have been knocked over.

**Practice good manners:-** Greet your teacher with a smile whenever you see them. Say “please” and “thank you” whenever you interact with them.

**Be attentive in class:-** A calm and an attentive class is a great gift to a teacher . When we are good listeners they become good teachers. Respect in the form of Silence during the class

**Let me conclude:-**  
“If we don’t respect our teachers today, remember a righteous God seen us all he won’t let the World to respect to us.”  
The Blessings of our Teachers are a treasure, don’t lose it.

## ICSK SENIOR INITIATES PLASTIC RECYCLING



On 20th November 2019, ICSK Senior arranged a unique workshop on plastic waste recycling. The representatives from an organization named Omniya visited the school and educated and elucidated the children about the environment, advantages and disadvantages of plastic waste.

A group of ambitious minds started the first plastic recycling project named Omniya by providing cardboard recycling bin to collect plastic bottles from people in Kuwait.Omniya is led by Farah Shabaan, Sanaa Al-Qamlas and Soad Al-Fozan, which aims to engage the public

in a nationwide recycling initiative about the disposal of plastics and to reduce plastic waste.

The representatives Ms Salwa, Mr. Fahad, Mr. Kadhi, Mr. Nazar and Ms. Hiba from Omniya presented a workshop on plastic recycling. Around 200 children of ICSK Senior were a part of the workshop. After the presentation a two week challenge was given to the children, wherein the children were asked to collect around 10,000 waste plastic bottles and deposit the same in the 10 boxes that were given by the representatives and installed in several corners of the school premises.

### Quote Garden

- I believe that a simple and unassuming manner of life is best for everyone, best both for the body and the mind. - Albert Einstein
- The best way to cheer yourself up is to try to cheer somebody else up. - Mark Twain
- To give anything less than your best, is to sacrifice the gift. - Steve Prefontaine
- Do right. Do your best. Treat others as you want to be treated. - Lou Holtz
- I have the simplest tastes. I am always satisfied with the best. - Oscar Wilde





# BEST STUDENT - NOVEMBER



MEET CHANDRESH  
KUMAR - 12A



NANDITHA  
- 12B



MRIGA ARORA  
- 12C



DEEPAK KUMAR  
TRIPATHY - 12D



JOSHNA TRISSA  
RAJU - 12E



FATEMA BOHRA  
- 12F



AKSHITA BIPIN  
- 12G



MAYA JAYPAL  
- 12H



CHRISTOPHER  
- 12I



VIRAJ VIRENDRA  
- 12J



SYED AFIFA  
- 12K



GUNKIRAT KAUR  
- 11A



CLARIN MENEZES  
- 11B



PRANAV ARUN  
KUMAR - 11C



AADEL MOHAMMED  
RABEEQ - 11D



REUBEN VARKEY  
REJI - 11E



JACQUELINE  
MATHEWS - 11F



SHAIK MUHAMMAD  
- 11G



MOHAMED MAZHAR  
- 11H



HATIM SHABBIR  
- 11I



SHAHEEN JALAL  
- 11J



ANNA DEENA  
SANTHOSH - 10A



DAANYA B NAIDU  
- 10B



ASHLY PHILIPPOSE  
- 10C



SOORYA NARAYANAN  
NAIR - 10E



SHAIKH FAIZ  
- 10F



VEERLA NEHA  
- 10G



NIDHI MYTHILY  
GIRISH - 9A



PRNOY  
- 9B



VIDHYA LAKSHMI K  
- 9C



MUSTAFA BURHANI  
SETH - 9D



MARYAM BURHAN  
- 9E



AMEENA HAMZA  
- 9F



NANDANA RAKESH  
- 8A



GIANN SAIRA KOSHY  
- 8B



AMAAN SOHAIL  
SAADAN - 8C



TARUN RAJA RAJESH  
- 8D



ADNAN ABBAS  
FAKHRI - 8E



NUZHA V.  
- 8F



EVELIN BERNICE  
- 7A



AYAMAN JAVID  
RAWOOT - 7B



SMIT KUBAL  
- 7C



BIJOSH BABU  
- 7D



SAMAIRAH ISMAIL  
- 7E



MAVLEON  
FERNANDES - 7F



ZUHAIR ABBAS  
- 6A



ASHISH LIAN LIJO  
- 6B

## For ICSK Senior, Charity Knows No Boundaries



*"Bounty always receives part of its value from the manner in which it is bestowed."*

The Principal and Senior Administrator of ICSK Senior, along with the staff and children initiated a very humble and noble step to help a destitute yet hardworking humble soul Mr. Bhawja Singh, from Punjab who had come all the way to Kuwait to earn his daily bread.

The entire family of ICSK Senior, arranged to collect charity in order to help him and his family and collected KD 1700 that was transferred to his family in India.

## ICSK CELEBRATES THE INDIAN CONSTITUTION DAY



*"Constitution is not mere lawyer's document, it is a vehicle of life and its spirit is always the spirit of age."*

ICSK celebrated 26th November as the Indian Constitution Day. This year marking the 70th Constitution day, the Government of India announced to the country and educational institutions to read the Preamble of the constitution and to make the people and children aware of the greatness of this document called The Indian Constitution.

ICSK gave an insight to the children on what is the Indian constitution and then the Preamble was read out to them. ICSK always believes in its values and culture. It also abides by the principles of the Indian Constitution and makes it a point to instill the same thoughts and beliefs in its children.



# Birthday Arcade - December



ELJAH RICHARD LAVY  
9A - DEC. 1



JAMILA SHAMOON  
7A - DEC. 1



JOSHUA JOHN  
10F - DEC. 1



SIDHARTH DILEEP  
11G - DEC. 1



YUSRA ASD KHAN  
11C - DEC. 1



ZACHARIAH ALEX  
11E - DEC. 1



MAZIN MAHIR  
8B - DEC. 2



ANTON K SAM  
7D - DEC. 2



ABIGAIL MARY YANG  
12B - DEC. 3



JESU JOEL  
10A - DEC. 3



MAHIKA MALHOTRA  
9C - DEC. 3



SHAIMA RAHAMATH  
7A - DEC. 3



DAANYA BALAMURUGAN  
10B - DEC. 4



KARTHIK NANDAN  
7B - DEC. 4



MAAZ MUBIN PARKAR  
7E - DEC. 4



MOHAMED MARZOOQ  
11A - DEC. 4



MUSTAFA SALEEM  
7E - DEC. 4



WASIYA SULTANA  
7A - DEC. 4



ZAINAB AFSAL GORI  
7E - DEC. 4



SANJANA KIRAN  
10C - DEC. 5



UMER KHAN  
12K - DEC. 5



MUSTAFA JOOZER  
7D - DEC. 5



SUDEV V. SIJU  
9A - DEC. 5



AMIL MATHEW ALEX  
8A - DEC. 6



AARON JOE C.  
8D - DEC. 6



KIRAN BASIL BINU  
12H - DEC. 6



POORVA NIRMAL  
9D - DEC. 6



AARON MATHEW  
8E - DEC. 7



MOHAMMED HUSAINI  
10C - DEC. 7



NANDITHA  
12B - DEC. 7



EMMANUEL RIYAN  
7C - DEC. 7



SHRUTHIKA SIVAKUMAR  
7A - DEC. 8



MARIA MOJALI VOHRA  
9B - DEC. 8



KATHERINE MARY  
10A - DEC. 8



KEVIN AMBROSE  
10A - DEC. 8



MARIYAM  
11G - DEC. 8



NABELA BEGUM  
12E - DEC. 8



SHARON ELZA KURIAN  
7E - DEC. 9



PRANOITHI PRASHANTH  
12B - DEC. 9



MISHAAL JAHANGIR  
12J - DEC. 9



YASH GAUR  
8C - DEC. 10



AISWARYA SUNIL  
10A - DEC. 10



ACHU JOHN  
10G - DEC. 10



SAKINA ARJAN  
10G - DEC. 10



ADNAN JAN BHAT  
11A - DEC. 10



HEBA M. QAZI  
12K - DEC. 10



ARHISH GANI ANBUKANI  
8E - DEC. 11



UMAIR ZAHID RAUT  
9C - DEC. 11



SAFFANA  
11I - DEC. 11



ABBAS  
12C - DEC. 11



RUKAIYA  
12E - DEC. 11



NIYO BIJU  
7B - DEC. 12



SNEHA K. SHAJAN  
10A - DEC. 12



BHAVNA SARA JOHN  
12E - DEC. 12



SHAIKH MOHAMMED  
10F - DEC. 12



MANUEL SHIBU  
11C - DEC. 13



HANA SAALIM  
10B - DEC. 14



ZAHRA YOUSUF BHATTU  
9C - DEC. 15



GAURAV JAGDISH JOSHI  
10C - DEC. 16



HUSAIN SHABBIR  
12K - DEC. 16



KUPPALA RAMYA  
7F - DEC. 16



MERIL ANN VARGHESE  
11A - DEC. 15



ZOYA J RASID  
6B - DEC. 16



DEESHA  
7A - DEC. 18



THAARINI BALAGA  
8A - DEC. 18



AHMED FARZEEN  
9C - DEC. 18



BOVAS BENSON  
12K - DEC. 18



MOYHAMMED OMAR  
10F - DEC. 18



JADEN  
7E - DEC. 19



JESSICA ANN LEO  
11E - DEC. 19



SUVARNA SURESH  
11I - DEC. 20



ABRAHAM RUBEEN  
7B - DEC. 20



ALAN ABRAHAM  
11A - DEC. 20



DEVESH PADMA KUMAR  
12F - DEC. 20



ANNA SHEJU  
9B - DEC. 21



SAFA SAJID  
9E - DEC. 21



JANE GISELLE CRASTO  
10B - DEC. 21



MUSKAN MOHAMED  
12H - DEC. 21



LUBNA LIYAKAT HALDE  
12K - DEC. 21



ZAYD AKBAR ALI  
12K - DEC. 21



EVELIN BERNICE  
7A - DEC. 21



SARAH ELIZABETH  
8C - DEC. 21



IMTIAZ MOHAMMED  
8F - DEC. 22



HAIDER ALI ASGAR  
10C - DEC. 22



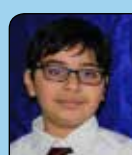
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12E - DEC. 22



HUSAIN HASPATEL  
11F - DEC. 22



SHABBIR BURHANI  
6B - DEC. 23



RAYYAN ISMAIL  
6A - DEC. 24

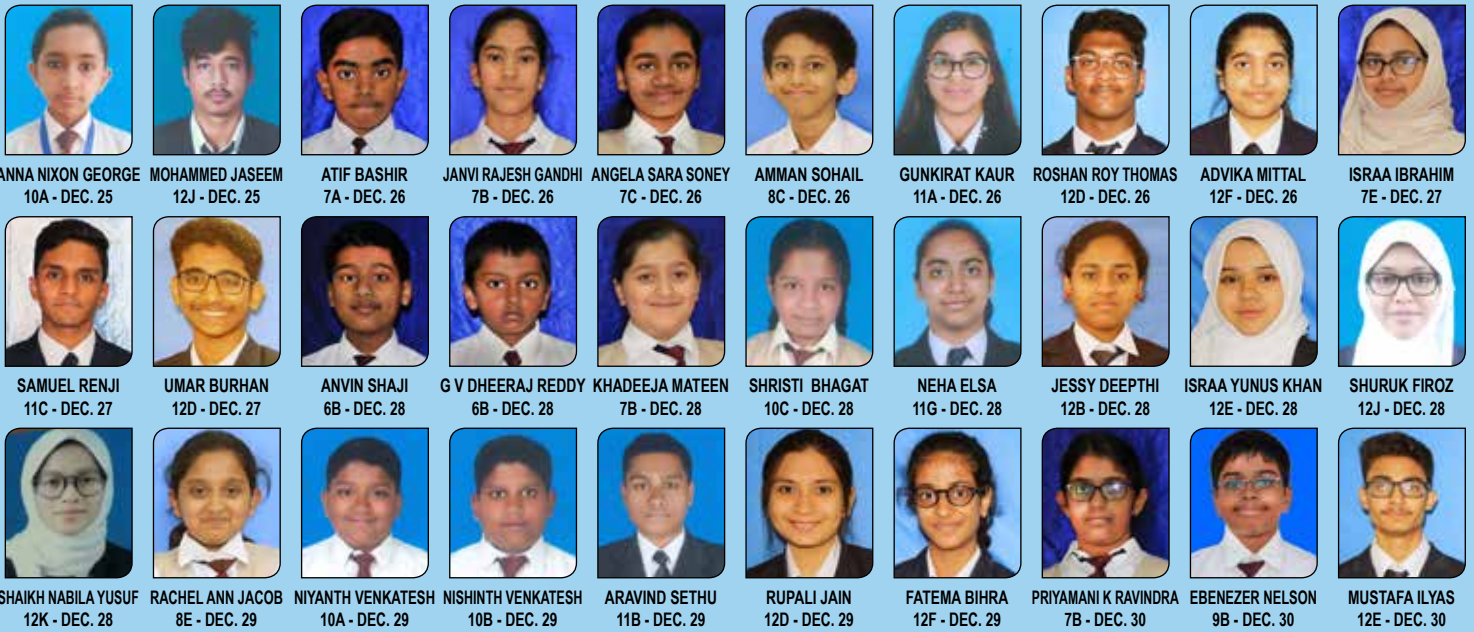


MOHAMMAD ATHAR  
7C - DEC. 24



ABHISHEK RAY  
10A - DEC. 25





# TEACH ME

*"In learning you will teach, and in teaching you will learn."*



Yet another session of TEACH ME, was conducted on 3rd November, 2019. Children of classes 6 to 12 participated in the 'TEACH ME' session and tried to inspire and educate others with their knowledge and skill.

# Artistic Finesse of IGSKians



The budding artists of ICSK senior exhibited exemplary dedication by showcasing their creative talents that transformed the school into the temple of knowledge by all means .





# RESPLENDENCE; AN IMPRESSIVE VALEDICTORY CEREMONY OF THE 45<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SPORTS MEET OF ICSK



On 16th and 17th November 2019, the Indian Community School conducted their 45th Annual Sports Meet at the Kaifan stadium. Nearly 1000 participants from all the four branches of ICSK contested in the meet. There were around 74 events altogether that included 10 categories for children and separate categories for teachers and parents too.



On 16th November the opening ceremony was organized and the Chief Guest for the day was Mr. Shaik Abdul Rahiman, Honorable Chairman Board of Trustees ICSK. The meet was declared open by the Chief Guest. The sports meet was a rich two days' trade. The venue witnessed some of the toughest competitions between the participants of all the four branches with a variety of events and exemplary performances by the participants.



On 22nd November 2019, an exuberant felicitation ceremony by the name RESPLENDENCE was structured in the ICSK Senior school auditorium. In the glittering function held in the auditorium, the winners were presented with the awards for their hard earned

achievements. The Chief Guest for the ceremony was Dr. Haila Almekaimi, Former Under- Secretary Ministry of Information and Professor of Political Science at Kuwait University.

Around 900 awards were given away to the winners that included achievers of the cricket team, CBSE clusters, chess tournaments, annual sports meet etc.



## ICSK SENIOR, REVELS CHILDREN'S DAY WITH ZEAL AND ZEST

*"Every child is a different kind of flower, and all together, make this world a beautiful garden."*



14th November, the birth day of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru is celebrated as Children's Day because of his love for children.

ICSK SENIOR, reveled this year's children's day in a very unique and



unforgettable style. The very entry of every child to the school was welcomed with a floral carpet and by showering flowers upon them. The Principal and Senior Administrator of ICSK Senior, Dr. V Binumon along with the entire staff arranged a special assembly for the

beloved tenderfoots of ICSK Senior.

The special assembly was conducted by the Principal Dr. V Binumon , Vice Principal Mrs. Susan Rajesh, Deputy Vice Principal Mrs. Mini Shaji and the teachers of various departments. As a tribute to Chachaji, Mr. Joel as Pandit Nehru delivered a deep message to the children on the auspicious occasion of his birth anniversary and distributed sweets to all the children.

The entire programme was applauded by all present and will always remain etched in the memory of one and all.



# GYANOTSAV, AN EDUCATIONAL EXTRAVAGANZA

*"Imagination is the source of every form of human achievement."*



On 7th November, 2019, The Indian Community School Senior, sculpted out a pedagogic pageant named "Gyanotsav" in the senior school campus. This mega event was a wholesome display of zeal, artistry and expertise of the young talents of ICSK Senior.



Gyanotsav-2019 was truly an educational extravaganza with the partaking of 29 heterogeneous departments including Mass Media, Liberal Arts, Entrepreneurship and many more that included more than 1100 creations by the child prodigies of ICSK Senior. The ne plus ultra part of Gyanotsav was the inception of a new area of innovation –"Artificial Intelligence".



The wizards of ICSK Senior flaunted their projects, working models and creativity in such a way that the guests, dignitaries

Observing the 150th birth anniversary of the Father of the Nation Mahatma Gandhi, the elemental essence of Gyanotsav-2019, was GANDHIAN PRINCIPLES AND ACADEMIA. The Chief Guest for this mega event was the Ambassador of Canada to Kuwait, His Excellency Mr. Louis Pierre Emond. The other special dignitaries were Ms. Roma Khetrapal, the award winning author from Los Angeles and the ex-alumni of ICSK, the esteemed members of the Board of Trustees of ICSK, Mr. R. Ajith Kumar-Principal of United Indian School, Dr. Achutan Madhav- Principal of Jabriya Indian School and Mr. Johnny Kunnil, Mr. Ramesh [CEO, ONCOST].



and parents were left absolutely spell bound..Various food stalls set up by the children, lured the people as the aroma of sumptuous delicacies caught the attention of the guests. To acknowledge the vigorous and long hours of hard work put in by all students and teachers, ICSK gave away over 141 prestigious awards and trophies.



GYANOTSAV, A TRUE FESTIVAL OF KNOWLEDGE, TALENT AND CREATIVITY



# BIRTHDAY CUM CHARITY FUND

## BALANCE SHEET FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2019

INCOME (OCTOBER)	KD	EXPENDITURE (NOVEMBER)	KD
Balance c/f from October	<b>2808.300</b>	1. Cancer Patient	150.000
		2. Cancer Patient	150.000
		3. Cancer Patient	150.000
		Fees paid for 2 students from the money collected from Edu Fair Stalls	395.000
Balance c/f from October	1963.300		<b>845.000</b>
Contribution from students & Staff (November)	442.800		
Contribution from French Department (from the stall installed during the Edu Fair)	40.000		
Contribution from Commerce Department (from the stall installed during the Edu Fair)	350.000		
Contribution from Commerce Department (from the stall installed during the Edu Fair)	16.400		
Balance in Hand	<b>2812.500</b>		

## BIRTHDAY FUND AND CHARITY FUND COLLECTION - NOVEMBER 2019

CLASS / SEC	Birthday Fund	Charity Fund	Sub Total
12A	-	14.350	14.350
12B	-	11.250	11.250
12C	-	2.845	2.845
12D	-	5.360	5.360
12E	-	7.330	7.330
12F	-	8.465	8.465
12G	-	6.115	6.115
12H	-	6.710	6.710
11A	-	38.055	38.055
11B	-	9.645	9.645
11C	-	30.070	30.070
11D	-	20.100	20.100
11E	-	2.245	2.245
11F	-	20.100	20.100
11G	-	9.065	9.065
11H	-	21.790	21.790
10A	-	8.515	8.515
10B	-	2.860	2.860
10C	-	5.000	5.000
9A	8.550	4.100	12.600
9B	-	15.450	15.450
9C	-	10.100	10.100
9D	2.000	6.190	8.190
9E	2.000	18.505	20.505
8A	-	2.280	2.280

CLASS / SEC	Birthday Fund	Charity Fund	Sub Total
8B	-	2.210	2.210
8C	-	6.605	6.605
8D	-	3.550	3.550
8E	5.000	12.815	17.815
7A	-	10.330	10.330
7B	-	10.790	10.790
7C	-	2.145	2.145
7D	-	18.030	18.030
7E	-	9.350	9.350
6A	3.500	4.050	7.550
6B	-	1.305	1.305
<b>Total</b>	<b>21.000</b>	<b>367.885</b>	<b>388.885</b>
<b>AFTERNOON</b>			
VII F	-	1.030	1.030
VIII F	-	1.560	1.560
IX F	-	2.255	2.255
X E	-	8.920	8.920
X F	-	7.875	7.875
X G	-	1.955	1.955
XI I	-	6.485	6.485
XI J	-	1.800	1.800
XII I	-	4.775	4.775
XII J	-	5.260	5.260
XII K	-	4.500	4.500
<b>Total</b>		<b>46.415</b>	<b>46.415</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>21.000</b>	<b>414.300</b>	<b>435.300</b>





# CHARITY CONVENERS - DECEMBER



JERSHON DEVA  
RUBAN - 12A



JOANNA SHIBU  
- 12B



AVINASH KUMAR  
ANIL KUMAR - 12C



ASMA PARWEZ  
12D



NABELA BEGUM  
- 12E



SAMAR FATIMA  
- 12F



AMIRA MUNIR  
- 12G



SWARNALI AMIT NADI  
- 12H



LLOYD MIRANDA  
- 12I



WALEED KHAN  
- 12J



SYED AFIFA  
- 12K



SHAIMA PONDALORU  
- 11A



NUMA SHABBER  
AHAMED - 11B



MANUEL SHIBU  
VARGHESE - 11C



SARAH ROBERT  
- 11D



SAKINA FATIMA  
- 11E



ABEER NAGINA  
- 11F



MURTUZA KHUZEMA  
- 11G



MARYAM NISAR  
- 11H



ALFYA ABBAS  
- 11I



MOHAMMED  
PACHLASA - 11J



CAROLIN NISHA  
FERNANDES - 10A



SAMUEL GEORGE  
VARGHESE - 10B



SHUBHALAKSHMI  
ACHUTHAN - 10C



G. RAGHAVENDRA  
- 10E



FORHAD HAZARAT  
- 10F



USHANI UDAYAVANI  
C. - 10G



JESSLYN SARA  
VARGHESE - 9A



STEFFI  
- 9B



JACOB KURIEN  
- 9C



NADIYA ADNAN  
- 9D



HIBBA KHAN  
FAROOQUE - 9E



ZUHAIB  
- 9F



AMIL MATHEW ALEX  
- 8A



SWETHA ACHUTHAN  
- 8B



YASH VERDHAN  
- 8C



HUSSAIN BURHANI  
- 8D



ARTHISH GANI  
ANBUKANI - 8E



CALEB KENNEDY  
- 8F



NAINA SAHIB  
- 7A



PRIYAMANI KONAKI  
RAVINDRA - 7B



HUSAINA HUSAIN  
- 7C



SMRITI JASVINDER  
SINGH - 7D



JADEN FURTADO  
- 7E



SAI NIKHIL  
- 7F



YASH GIANANI  
- 6A



NIKHIL BEHJU  
BALAN - 6B

## YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS OF ICSK



*"Generosity consists not the sum given, but the manner in which it is bestowed." - Mahatma Gandhi.*

Since the advent of GYANOTSAV 2019, entrepreneurship students of class XI were all set to participate in the Learn to Earn activity to exhibit their Entrepreneurial skills. The students understood the importance of earning and the value of money.

The students created a company named

Joy Ltd. which was an acronym for Joyful Organised Youth. 6 teams were formed under the supervision of Mrs. Mussarat Parkar - HOD of commerce, Mr Atiq Akbar Dhase, and Mrs Thara Ann Thomas who were the Chief Advisory Counsels. JOY Ltd. had 2 executive members. The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) was Alefiya Abbas of XI-F and the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) was Emil Mathew Varghese of XI-G. The CEO looked after the business plan execution and the CFO looked after the financial

matters of JOY Ltd.

The students sold their products to the parent community and other students on 7th November, 2019. Altogether the company made a profit of KD 672/-.

Ignoring the poverty of others was considered as an act of violence by Mahatma Gandhi. Following the Gandhian principles of charity the students donated KD 350/- to pay the fee of fellow students.



# EPITravel SRI LANKA



gardens, ponds, and magnificent frescoes. The UNESCO World Heritage Site is one of the best ancient sites in the country.

2. Yala National Park is the place to go to see big cats in Sri Lanka. The park is home to the highest concentration of leopards in the world, and it is also an important sanctuary for Sri Lankan elephants and aquatic birds.



### Languages Spoken:

Sinhala and Tamil are the official languages of Sri Lanka. Sinhala is widely spoken in the southern, western and central parts of the island, while Tamil is almost exclusively spoken in northern and eastern parts of the island.

3. Bentota : This coastal town has magnificent beaches, luxury hotels, and untouched beauty. Spend a day soaking in the sun at Bentota Beach, visit the nearby Kosgoda Turtle Hatchery, or find peace in the Galapatha Raja Maha Vihara Buddhist temple. Bentota is a tourist hot spot, so you'll also be able to partake in activities like helicopter rides and water sports.

### Cuisine:

Contact with foreign traders who brought new food items, cultural influences from neighboring countries as well as the local traditions of the country's ethnic groups among other things have all helped shape Sri Lankan cuisine. Today, some of the staples of Sri Lankan cuisines are rice, coconut and spices.

5. Kandy is located on a plateau that is surrounded by the central highland mountains. Kandy, a World Heritage Site, is the place to go to get a taste of Sinhalese culture. Visit the Temple of the Tooth, which was built in the 4th century and holds a very sacred relic - Buddha's tooth.



For this edition of EPITRAVEL, we will be taking a look at a country known for the most precious gems, batik, tea, handicrafts, handloom fabrics, leather products, antiques and ceramics - Sri Lanka ! Sri Lanka was famously described by Marco Polo as one of the finest islands in the world, and it has a history that dates back thousands of years- The land of Serendipity.....

### Geographical Location :

Sri Lanka, officially the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, is an island country in South Asia, located in the Indian Ocean to the southwest of the Bay of Bengal and to the southeast of the Arabian Sea. The island is geographically separated from the Indian subcontinent by the Gulf of Mannar and the Palk Strait. The legislative capital, Sri Jayawardenepura Kotte, is a suburb of the commercial capital and largest city, Colombo.



### Culture:

The culture of Sri Lanka mixes modern elements with traditional aspects and is known for its regional diversity. Sri Lankan culture has long been influenced by the heritage of Theravada Buddhism passed on from India, and the religion's legacy is particularly strong in Sri Lanka's southern and central regions.

### Facts About Sri Lanka:

Sri Lanka is known as 'pearl of the Indian Ocean' because of its incredible beauty, varied biodiversity (the highest in Asia!), as well as one of its main exports being precious gemstones. Sri Lanka is also known as the 'teardrop of India', due to its perfect teardrop shape.

### Points of Interest:

1. Also known as Lion's Rock, Sigiriya is a rock fortress and palace situated in the Matale district. Visitors can climb up to the ancient ruins, which are surrounded by

### Sri Lankan Flag:

Sri Lanka's national flag is one of the oldest flags in the world. A golden lion flag was said to have been brought with the first king of Sri Lanka (Vijaya) from India. The golden lion holding its sword was re-introduced in 1948 after independence was achieved in the same year.

## GOODWILL AMBASSADORS

### MORNING SHIFT

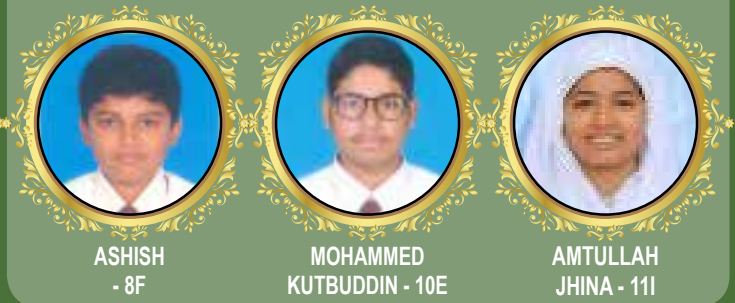


AARON CLITUS  
BARBOZA - 7D

MOHAMMED SABBIR  
- 9E

IMAD IMTIYAZ  
- 11A

### AFTERNOON SHIFT



ASHISH  
- 8F

MOHAMMED  
KUTBUDDIN - 10E

AMTULLAH  
JHINA - 11I



# The Magical Power of Ragas



A raga is one of the melodic modes used in Indian Classical music. Ragas are associated with different times of the day, and even with seasons. Indian classical music is always set in ragas. We have heard stories such as – when Tansen sang raga Megh Malhaar it started raining immediately, when he sang raga Deepak lamps got lit automatically, and sometimes when Tansen sang, wild animals would come and sit at his feet.

Music has a healing power; it stimulates the pituitary gland, which secretes hormones that affect the nervous system and the flow of blood. When you listen to hard rock with Drums/Congo/Bongo the rate of your heart beats increase in manifold while when you listen to slow and soft music it calms your nerves and takes you to pensive state. The ancient system of Nada Yoga, acknowledges the impact of music on body and mind. There are some great physicians who treat their patients with musical therapy. Choosing the right kind of music is helpful in promoting health. Negative traits like anger, worries also can be overcome through listening to good music. Depression can be cured by music

therapy. When you are feeling low, soft and soothing music is recommended.

Ragas help activating the seven energy Chakras in body. They have the power to stimulate the chakras in right proportion. The activation of chakras allows the Kundalini energy to rise easily and energize and nourish the chakra. It is reported that Kundalini awakening results in deep meditation, enlightenment and bliss. The raga also helps to maintain the chakra in its optimum spin and balance, ensuring a balanced energy supply to different organs that are connected to the specific chakra.

It is said that the raga Shyam Kalyan helps activate the Mooladhara chakra. This chakra enables physical identity, survival, stability, instinctual nature, ambition, and self-sufficiency. The sense governed by Muladhara is smell.

Raga Yaman has the power to stimulate the Swadishthana chakra that governs our attention. The sense associated with swadhisthana is taste, the sense organ is the tongue and the organs of activity are the kidneys and entire urinary system.

Therefore swadhisthana is largely responsible for purification of all bodily fluids through the kidneys, bladder and lymph system.



NANDITHA VINOD  
- 12 B

Raga Abhogi helps activate the Solar Plexus (Manipura) chakra and stimulate the digestion process. When the Kundalini enters this Chakra, the Chakra is cleansed, bringing about a change of attitudes and inner transformation. This raga is also known to bring about de-addiction in human beings.

The ragas Bhairav and Durga have a power of attaining divine bliss and protection. Both help activate the Anahat (Heart) chakra. These ragas also enhance the Divinity and Immunity in children. The Heart Chakra is the home of emotional processing. In a sense, the Heart Chakra is all about self-less love and compassion.

The Raga Jayjaywanti helps to activate the Vishuddhi (Throat) chakra, the controller of the sensory organs. This chakra makes us expressive. It is our communication center in body. Some signs of imbalance are lying, arrogance, talking too much, being manipulative, fear and timidity.

Ragas Darbari and Bhairavi are helpful in activating our Sahasrara (Crown) chakra. The notes of these ragas help relax and calm the emotionally-related limbic area. The result is that one feels, joyous, energetic, peaceful and relieved of tension and depression. The crown chakra is the center for trust, devotion, inspiration, happiness, and positivity.

Music is the language of our heart and the food of the soul. It has great potential to cure our mind and soul.

## EPI-Facts

1. McDonald's once made bubblegum-flavored broccoli
2. Some fungi create zombies, then control their minds
3. There is only one letter that does not appear in any U.S. state names- 'Q'
4. A cow-bison hybrid is called a "beefalo"
5. Scotland has 421 words for "snow"
6. Armadillo shells are bulletproof
7. Octopus lay 56,000 eggs at a time
8. Blue whales eat half a million calories in one mouthful
9. That tiny pocket in jeans was designed to store pocket watches
10. The American flag was designed by a high school student

# CAPTAINS & VICE CAPTAINS - DECEMBER

## CLASS 12A



JUBAL VARGHESE



LISA ANN JACOB



ARSHIYA NAAZ



ROSHELLE MARY



AADITYA KUMAR



DINAH STEPHEN



KSHETTY SREEJA



SAKEENA KAUSAR



SAJIDA ABDUL



AREANA AFSHANA

## CLASS 12F



DEVESH PADMA KUMAR



HASSAN ELLYAS



ARPITA PATNAIK



AISHWARYA S



JUMANA YUSUF



MUSKAN MOHD SHAFI



DILAWAR



JATIN KRISHNAN



SARAH JOHN



SHURUKH FIROZ

## CLASS 12K



NAYANA RUDRA RAJU



MAZOOMA ASGHAR



DEONNA TREASA



NISI MARIAH



AMALA JAISON



J JOHN BRYANT



RUTVIK V.



SARAYU MURUGASWAMY



NIZZAR K NAUSHAD



SUHASINI DUBE

## CLASS 11A



DEONNA TREASA



NISI MARIAH



AMALA JAISON



J JOHN BRYANT

## CLASS 11B



AMALA JAISON



J JOHN BRYANT

## CLASS 11C



RUTVIK V.



SARAYU MURUGASWAMY

## CLASS 11D



NIZZAR K NAUSHAD



SUHASINI DUBE

## CLASS 11E



SAIYIDAH MARIYAM



MATHEW DILEEP



AFIFA NADEEM



MURTAZA MERJI



ANISHA ANNIE BINU



NEHA ELSA THOAMS



SHAAMIYA MARIYAM



VINCENT SHERWIN



ANFAL ASHRAF



RACHEL

## CLASS 11F



AFIFA NADEEM



MURTAZA MERJI



ANISHA ANNIE BINU



NEHA ELSA THOAMS

## CLASS 11G



ANISHA ANNIE BINU



NEHA ELSA THOAMS

## CLASS 11H



SHAAMIYA MARIYAM



VINCENT SHERWIN

## CLASS 11I



ANFAL ASHRAF



RACHEL

## CLASS 11J



ROSHAN REJI



SAKINA ABBAS

## CLASS 10A



ANJANA REVI PRASAD



GOKUL KUMAR

## CLASS 10B



HUSSAIN BEDAWALA



ERICA GRETEL SANCTS

## CLASS 10C



MIRREILLE V.



SABIHA S CHIKTE

## CLASS 10E



MUSTAFA MUFADDAL



SREEDEV KRISHNA

## CLASS 10F



MOHAMMED BADRI



FAHAD SULAIMAN

## CLASS 10G



NOORA USMAN



AYESHA FAIZ

## CLASS 9A



SARA ELENA SAJI



HARSHIT GIANANI

## CLASS 9B



RITHIKA



AYIDA

## CLASS 9C



VIGNESH NITHYANANDAM



ANKITA MENON

## CLASS 9D



ANEQA MUJEEB



JOHAN COLACO

## CLASS 9E



SANIA NASIR KHAN



RUQAIYA ABDUL

## CLASS 9F



TAHA BURHANUDDIN



BILAL MOHAMMED

## CLASS 8A



AATEKA NADEEM



DANIEL SAWYER

## CLASS 8B



ADINATH K. ANURAJ



RISHITA SHARMA

## CLASS 8C



SIDHARTH SUDEEP



SOUMILI NANDI

## CLASS 8D



ANAS ATIF KHANZADA



PRAISE ELSA BINU

## CLASS 8E



TAHA FAKHRUDDIN



SOUMYA SARAH

## CLASS 8F



NUZHA V.



MOHD RASHEED

## CLASS 7A



NADIRA NOORUL



HASAN ANIS



# CAPTAINS & VICE CAPTAINS - DECEMBER



## ICSK Senior felicitates the winners of CBSE Kuwait Clusters



A special assembly was organized by the Department of Physical Education where in all the winners of CBSE Kuwait cluster were honored. A cultural extravaganza was arranged by the students and a special Zumba session added spark to the event.

## Rubik's Cube contest



As part of science club activities, ICSK Senior conducted Rubik's cube contest wherein 60 students enthusiastically participated.

### Prize winners are:

1<sup>st</sup> position - Master Sulaiman Mohammed Kaber XII K

2<sup>nd</sup> position - Master Rutvik Venkata XI C

3<sup>rd</sup> position - Master Juzer Ali X B

## Leadership and Team Building Workshop Enhances Capacities At ICSK



On the evening of November the 13th, Wednesday, the core team of the Indian Community School gathered at the Senior School premises to renew their energies and sensitivities at the Leadership Workshop.

The workshop was designed for the

management, Principals and Vice Principals of ICSK and was led by Mr. Jihad Yacoub, Chief Executive Officer at the Council Leadership Academy Notre Dame University, Lebanon. Mr. Jihad Yacoub is an experienced serial entrepreneur in education and training and skilled in negotiation,

communication, conflict resolution, team building and leadership.

The session was also keenly attended by Mr. Hassim Al-Essa, owner of ICSK, Mrs. Nouf, Mr. Shaik Abdul Rehman Honorable Chairman Board of Trustees, Mr. Azharuddin Amir Mohammed Honorable Secretary Board of Trustees and Mr. Vinu Kumar Nair Honorable Vice Chairman Board of Trustees of the School Board.

The conclave ended on a high and noteworthy message," A successful leader is one who can spur his or her team members to work well together toward a common vision and goal."



# BEST CLASSES - NOVEMBER

## Category 1



FIRST - 7A

## Category 2



FIRST - 9E

## Category 3



FIRST - 11A



SECOND - 8A



SECOND - 9B



SECOND - 11C



THIRD - 8D



THIRD - 9A



THIRD - 11H

## AFTERNOON



FIRST - 10E (Secondary)



FIRST - 12I (Senior Secondary)

## MY MORNING AFFIRMATIONS

I AM HAPPY  
 I AM HEALTHY  
 I AM WEALTHY  
 I AM LOVED  
 I AM SECURE  
 I AM WORTHY  
 I AM POSITIVE  
 I AM BLESSED  
 I AM GRATEFUL  
 I AM BEAUTIFUL  
 I AM CONFIDENT  
 I AM COURAGEOUS  
 I AM EXCITED ABOUT TODAY

## Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Pearl of the school Award



THANIMA Kuwait organized Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam Pearl Of the school Award. Where in twenty two schools participated. The students were selected for their excellence in academics, extracurricular activities and social commitments. From ICSK Senior Master. Joven C Jose of X C was selected and he received the coveted Dr. A. P J. Abdul Kalam Pearl of the school award from the Ambassador of India to Kuwait H.E Dr. K. Jeeva Sagar and Colonel Ibrahim Abdul Razak (Jleeb Shuyoukh, Chief of Police) on November 1st 2019.





to serve the dogs for the next 10 days.

So the minister started feeding the dogs, caring for them, providing all sorts of comfort for them.

So when the 10 days were up the king ordered that the minister be thrown to the dogs as sentenced. When he was thrown in, everyone was amazed at what they saw.

The dogs were wagging their tails playing with the condemned minister.

The king was baffled at what he saw. "what happened to the dogs? !!!" He growled.

The minister then said, "

I served the dogs for only 10 days and they didn't forget my service.

Yet I served you for 10 years and you forgot all at the first mistake!

The king realised his mistake and pardoned the minister.

When humans act with cruelty we characterize them as animals, yet the only animal that displays cruelty are humans .

A king had 10 wild dogs.

He used them to torture and kill any minister that misguided him.

A minister once gave an opinion which was wrong and which the king didn't like at all.

So he ordered that the minister to be thrown to the dogs.

The minister said,

"I served you loyally 10 years and you do this..?"

The king was unrelenting.

Minister pleaded "Please give me 10 days before you throw me to the dogs"

The king agreed.

In those 10 days the minister went to the keeper of the dogs and told him he wanted

## ICSK SENIOR OUTSHINES IN EXPRESSIONS 2019, THE INTER-SCHOOL CULTURAL FESTIVAL



On 2nd November, 2019 the Indian English Academy School, structured EXPRESSIONS, an inter-school cultural competition that provided all the youngsters to blossom and grow.

Xpressions presents an array of events and competitions, specifically designed to quench the enthusiasm, excitement, creativity and the abundant energy of the youngsters. All the participants and winners of ICSK Senior, showcased exemplary performances in all the events.

Student Name: .....

Class : ..... Section: ..... Roll No.: .....

Serial No.



### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I, the parent of ..... studying in class ..... section ..... hereby, acknowledge the receipt of the December, 2019 edition of the ICSK Senior Monthly Magazine, EPICS.

Signature: ..... Date: .....

Name: .....





**"Women to be inducted in Army by 2021:** In a transformational move, the Indian Army is all set to commission the first batch of 100 women soldiers. According to reports, the batch will be commissioned by March 2021. The women soldiers will be commissioned into the Corps of Military Police of the Indian Army. "The training period - of 61 weeks - is similar to that of male soldiers. Currently, women are allowed in a number of select areas including in medical, legal, educational, signals and engineering wings of the Army but combat roles are kept off limit for them due to operational concerns and logistical issues.



**DRDO successfully conducts Agni II missile's night trial for first time:** India on November 16 conducted successfully the first night trial of Agni-II, its versatile surface-to-surface medium range nuclear-capable missile from Dr. Abdul Kalam Island off Odisha, defence sources said.

The missile has a strike range of 2000 km, the sources said soon after it blasted off from a mobile launcher at the Launch Complex-4 of the Integrated Test Range (ITR), the sources said. Agni-II, an intermediate range ballistic missile (IRBM), has already been inducted into the armed forces.



**Indian-origin Dean of Harvard Business School to Step Down in June 2020:** Harvard Business School's Dean Nitin Nohria will step down from his post in June 2020, ten years after he became the first Indian-origin academician to helm the business school in the prestigious

institution's 102-year-old history. Nohria, joined the Business School's faculty in 1988 after receiving his PhD from MIT. Nohria has authored more than a dozen books and also wrote the McKinsey Award-winning 2018 Harvard Business Review article, 'How CEOs Manage Time'.



**Gold for Abhishek & Jyothi combine at 21st Asian archery championship:** Vijayawada based archer Vennam Jyothi Surekha from Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited and the Arjuna awardee Abhishek Verma won compound mixed pair gold in the 21st Asian Archery

Championship in Bangkok. The duo won the mixed pair gold against their Chinese Taipei opponents Yi-Hsuan Chen and Chieh-Luh Chen with 158-151.



**UK, India scientists collaborate on clean air solutions for Delhi:**

Atmospheric scientists from the UK and India have partnered to tackle chronic air pollution, which is impacting the health of more than 20 million people in Delhi. The Indian capital, one of the country's most

densely populated metropolis, has some of the worst air pollution of any city in the world.



**President's Colour Awarded to Indian Naval Academy:** Shri Ram Nath Kovind, the Hon'ble President of India and the Supreme Commander of Indian Armed Forces, awarded the President's Colour to Indian Naval Academy (INA) on 20

November 2019. The President's Colour - the highest honour that is bestowed upon a military unit - was received by Academy Cadet Captain Sushil Singh on behalf of the INA in an impressive parade comprising 730 cadets of INA and a 150-men Guard of Honour. A special postal cover was also released by the Hon'ble President to commemorate the occasion.



**India sent over 202,000 students to U.S. in 2018-19, second largest after China:**

India sent more than 202,000 students to the US in 2018-19, the second largest after China which for the tenth consecutive year remained the largest source of foreign students in America, according to a report

released. The '2019 Open Doors Report on International Educational Exchange' said the number of foreign students in the US set an all-time high in the 2018/19 academic year, the fourth consecutive year with more than one million international students. Students from India and China account for more than 50 per cent of international students, said the report that was released by Institute of International Education (IIE) and US Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs.



**India and Sweden sign three agreements :**

India and Sweden signed three agreements that will help both countries to cooperate in the frontier of science and technology and address climate change and maritime issues. The agreements were signed after the Indian

delegation held talks with the Swedish team led by King Carl XVI Gustaf and Queen Silvia who are on a four day visit to India.

Show kindness to unkind people  
Forgive people who don't deserve it  
Your actions always reflect who you are.



# Art Gallery



ARYA NAIR  
7B



DEESHA  
SHASHIKUMAR  
7A



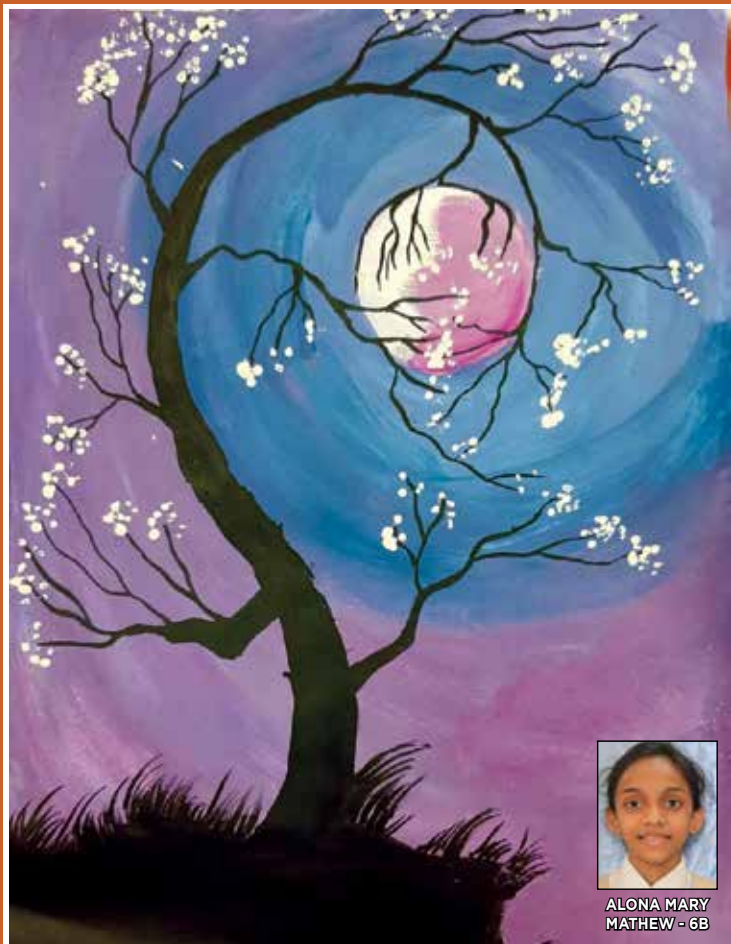
ANJANA AJITH  
12G



PRESTON  
SHANNON - 12K



ALEENA PAULY  
MARTIN - 10C



ALONA MARY  
MATHEW - 6B



# EPIctionary

1. **Blurb** - Meaning: written description and advertisement of something.

Used in a sentence: I actually read the blurb on the jacket first.

2. **Topiary** - Meaning: the art of chipping shrubs into ornamental shapes

Used in a sentence: The gardens are very formal, with topiary hedges, statues and borders.

3. **Verbiage** - Meaning: an excessive number of words.

Used in a sentence: The literary editor removed some of the unnecessary verbiage from the short story.

4. **Nocturne** - Meaning: a short romantic piece of music.

Used in a sentence: The choir sang a nocturne on their wedding anniversary.

5. **Omnipotent**: Meaning: having unlimited or great power

Used in a sentence: If the superhero can fight off twenty men at one time, then he must be omnipotent.

6. **Repository** - Meaning: a storage place, room etc.

Used in a sentence: The National Archives is a repository for thousands of important documents.

7. **Smimper** - Meaning: an affected smile.

Used in a sentence: He simpered and smirked while he talked to the boss.

8. **Ziggurat**: Meaning: a tower that is tiered and rectangular in shape and occasionally topped by a holy place.

Used in a sentence: The shape of the ziggurat is very similar to the shape of a pyramid.

9. **Verklemt**: Meaning: overwhelmed by emotion.

Used in a sentence: Every time she hears of something tragic happening in the world, the woman becomes verklemt and can barely stand the emotional pain.

10. **Soiree**: Meaning: an elegant party or event.

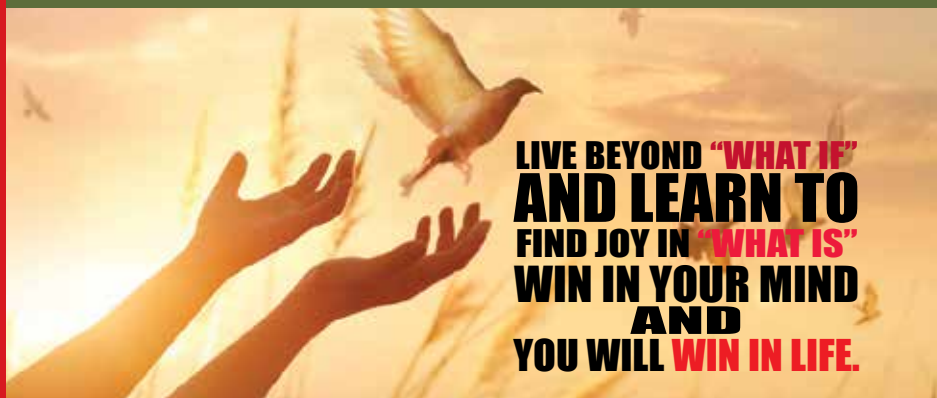
Used in a sentence: Finding a fancy dress for the soiree was one of the many things Cinderella had to do.

## MEMBERS OF PSYCHOLOGY DEPARTMENT OF ICSK SENIOR PAYS A VISIT TO 'HOPE' - A SCHOOL FOR SPECIAL NEEDS



On 12th November 2019, the Department of Psychology under the guidance of Dr. Navjot Kaur, HOD Department of Psychology, and Mr. Riyas from the Department of Psychology along with 32 Psychology students of class 12 paid a visit to 'HOPE' which is a school for the special needs. HOPE is a private school serving children with special needs since 2006. The school is designed to offer hope and to be a bridge to a brighter future for children with special needs.

Thanks to HOPE school for special needs for letting the class 12 students visit their school and have a gifted experience.



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AND LEARN TO  
FIND JOY IN "WHAT IS"  
WIN IN YOUR MIND  
AND  
YOU WILL WIN IN LIFE.**

## Forthcoming Events



- Class VI to XII - Mid term Examination.
- Medical Camp for ICSK staff.
- Blood donation camp.
- Induction of School cabinet.
- Fire drill -Disaster management.
- Gavels club inauguration.
- Youth Leadership Programme Season 2.
- Model Examination for Class XII.
- Evening Special Classes for Arts.



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