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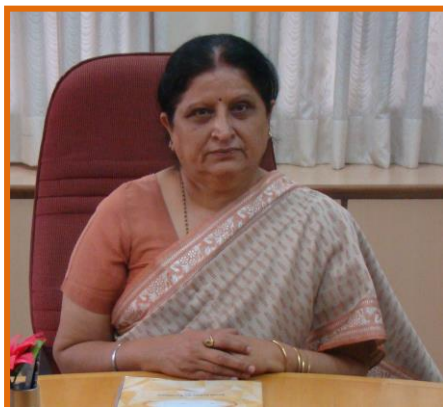
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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



**“CHILDREN MUST BE TAUGHT HOW TO THINK, NOT WHAT TO THINK”**

*Margaret Mead.*

Hello Readers!

The last issue of our Quarterly Newsletter ZEN The Zydu E- Newsletter for the session 2016-17 is being released with a sense of fulfillment for all our achievements in the past year and a lot of hope for the new (2017-18) academic session.

Each issue of our Newsletter is a milestone that marks our growth, unfolds our imaginations, and gives life to our thoughts and aspirations. It unleashes a wide spectrum of creative skills ranging from writing to editing and even designing. I congratulate the entire editorial team for their hard work and dedication.

I am sure all my children are excited about their summer vacations but please ensure to spend the vacations productively & wisely.

Few suggestions to utilize your time sensibly & creatively:

- Explore new places & get to know your city better,
- Attend workshops to develop new skills,
- Volunteer for old age homes, schools for differently able,
- Read good books or motivational blogs,
- Connect with nature and contribute to keeping your city clean & green.

Hope to connect with you after the vacations.

God Bless!

Alka Murthy

Principal

Zydu School for Excellence, Vejalpur.

## ZYDUS ON THE GO

### GLF- Gujarat Literature Festival

On 16th December, 2016 i.e. Friday the students of Zydus School for Excellence, Vejalpur presented the poetry written by late Ms. Pranali Bhatt at Diamond Mine in the Kanoria Center for Arts in the Gujarat Literature Festive from 12:30 to 1:00 pm. Three friends of Pranali namely, Ahan Kayastha, Heer Shah and Prachi Oza introduced the session which was followed by the poetry recitation by them.

Pranali Bhatt who was suffered from a terminal stage liver disease had successfully undergone liver transplant at the Global Hospitals. Pranali was a wonderful person and a poet at heart. She thoroughly enjoyed English language and it was just a play of words for her. She could tap into the subtlety of events and happenings around her and capture it in words. The beauty of her being a literary person was that **‘writing’ wasn’t something private for her.** She enjoyed sharing her work with everyone.

**Pranali participated actively in the Igenious Young Author’s Hunt. She won many awards and scholarships here. Her work has been published in noteworthy magazines like Estrade, Just Read and Navneet.**



### Science Teacher of ZSE Vejalpur conferred with GSA – Prof. P.A. Pandya School Science Teacher Award – 2016

Ms. Nivedita Choudhury, Science Teacher, of Zydus School for Excellence, Vejalpur was conferred with the GSA - Prof. P.A. Pandya School Science Teacher Award – 2016. She was awarded a scroll, GSA memento and a cash award of Rs. Ten Thousand. She received the award after being selected by a six member committee on basis of evaluation of a presentation on her teaching methodologies.

The award was presented during the 31st Gujarat Science Congress organized at Pandit Deendayal Petroleum University (PDP), Gandhinagar on 4th February, 2017.

The Gujarat Science Academy recognizes meritorious services of outstanding school science teachers of Gujarat for introducing creativity and innovation in teaching practices of science education at the primary, secondary or higher secondary school levels by instituting GSA – Prof. P. A. Pandya School Science Teacher Award from the year 2014. **Heartiest Congratulations to Nivedita Ma’am** for her outstanding achievement! **Contd...**



### Eduheal Foundation Award

An external competition was held by Eduheal **Foundation** which was conducted in the year 2016, where many of the students had participated. Few students had qualified for the 2<sup>nd</sup> level online examination.

**Anvi Gupta and Radhika Patel** students of class 1 secured **2<sup>nd</sup> rank** at the **International level** and were awarded a **tablet** each for G.K and Science respectively.

The following students had secured 4<sup>th</sup> rank at the **International level**.

CLASS	NAME	SUBJECT
1	Navin Nair	Mathematics
1	Jinanshi Mehta	English
1	Hitarth shah	GK
2	Vansh shah	English
2	Ridhaan Patel	Science
3	Aaryansh Shah	English
3	Shayan Patel	English
3	Shreelekha Dhakar	Science



### National Science Day

Institute for Plasma Research, Gandhinagar organized the **National Science Day** celebrations on 7<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> January at their campus in Bhat village, Gandhinagar.

The National Science Day activities envisage interaction between students, public and scientists of the institute through science displays, demonstrations, projects, skits, and competitions such as elocution, quiz, essay writing for school students.

The programme helped students actively participate and contribute further to awakening the scientific spirit and enthusiasm of the people of our country.

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Students from our school also participated in the competitions. Shashwat Punjabi and Maurya Patel participated in model making; Sana Lokhandwala, Khushi Dhruva, and Virali Thakker participated in the Elocution competition; Shivam Purohit and Tanay Shah participated in the Quiz competition and Saumya Bharadwaj participated in the Hindi Essay Writing competition.

Both Sana and Saumya brought accolades for the school in their respective fields.



### WhizJuniors

WhizJuniors is India's Biggest Technology learning platform, exclusively designed for the students of classes 2-12. It mainly promotes excellence in technology in all forms. Zydus School for Excellence, Ahmedabad is featured on the cover page of renowned Education World Magazine as the **“Top Tech Savvy School of the City”**. Nine students qualified for the 2nd round. Following students went to Mumbai on 8th February, 2017 for the final third round.

1. Prerak Sanandiya - Std 5
2. Arth Kacha - Std 7
3. Aryan Tiwari - Std 7



They were among the 15 finalists and were awarded a trophy and a certificate.

### India's Top Tech Savvy Teacher

Ms. Krupa Sanandiya of Zydus School for Excellence, Ahmedabad is selected as the **“India's Top Tech Savvy Teacher”**.

The outstanding innovative work of the students and the IT teacher is truly commendable! Congratulations to all the finalists and the teacher.



### Chess Tournament

Marmik Shah of Class 4 secured 2<sup>nd</sup> position and Kriti Shah of Class 5 secured 1<sup>st</sup> position in the Under – 11 category Chess Tournament which was organised by the Anand Chess Association , New Ahmedabad District Chess Association and Murisha Trophy State selection Chess tournament .



### Camel Art Competition

**CAMEL ART COMPETITION** was held on 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> January 2017, for the students of Jr KG to grade 9<sup>th</sup>. The students participated enthusiastically and used their creativity in showcasing their drawing skills. Three students from each class were shortlisted and they received a drawing kit from Camel.



### Kuchipudi dance

Krina Leuva a student of class 8<sup>th</sup> participated in the of Kuchipudi dance performance in the 5<sup>th</sup> *International Dance Convention* at the Indira Gandhi Stadium in Vijaywada, Andhra Pradesh on 25<sup>th</sup> December, 2016. Here 6,117 dancers danced together for 5 minutes while the previous performance record was made by 5,794 dancers. This marked an entry in the *Guinness book of World Records* in the field of Kuchipudi dance. She was trained under Guru Shrimati Smita Shastri.



### National Creativity Olympiad

The second round of **National Creativity Olympiad** was held on 10<sup>th</sup> January, 2017 in Delhi. This exam focuses on testing student's creativity. **Jyot Kikani** of 5<sup>th</sup> STD bagged the 2<sup>nd</sup> prize in this competition.



### IEO- Olympiad

7th SOF INTERNATIONAL ENGLISH OLYMPIAD (IEO) was conducted in school in the month of January 2017. The result for the same is as follows:

SR NO.	Name of the Student	Award Won
1	MEET P PARIKH	School Gold Medal + Participation Certificate
2	HET A SELARKA	School Gold Medal + Participation Certificate
3	AYOOSH G IYER	School Gold Medal + Participation Certificate
4	PATH D PATEL	School Gold Medal + Participation Certificate
5	HRIDAY RATHI	School Gold Medal + Participation Certificate
6	KAVISHA P PARIKH	School Gold Medal + Participation Certificate
7	THIYA S SHETH	School Silver Medal + Participation Certificate
8	RAJEE J DHRUVA	School Silver Medal + Participation Certificate
9	CHAHAT V VYAS	School Silver Medal + Participation Certificate
10	SHASHWAT A SHAH	School Silver Medal + Participation Certificate
11	YASHIKA P SINGLA	School Silver Medal + Participation Certificate
12	SHAAN PANDYA	School Bronze Medal + Participation Certificate
13	VIHAA C PAREKH	School Bronze Medal + Participation Certificate
14	NISHK R DAVAWALA	School Bronze Medal + Participation Certificate
15	SIDDHARTHA PATOLIA	School Bronze Medal + Participation Certificate
16	SHREYA MITTAL	School Bronze Medal + Participation Certificate
17	<b>MIHIKA P CHOKHADIA</b>	<b>Gifts Worth Rs. 1000/- + Medal of Excellence + Certificate of Excellence + Merit Certificate</b>



### NCO- Olympiad

16th SOF National Cyber Olympiad was held in the month of January wherein many students participated enthusiastically. Following students qualified for the 2nd level which was scheduled to be held on 12th Feb, 2017. Congratulations to all the qualifying students.

SR NO.	Name of the Student	International Rank
1	NIHAR JAYSHIL SHAH	118
2	VIMARSH P SHAH	179
3	SAGNIK BANERJEE	276
4	HARSHITA P JOSHI	426

### IMO-Olympiad

10th SOF International Mathematics Olympiad was held in the school wherein the students participated enthusiastically. Following students qualified for the second level which was to be held on 12<sup>th</sup> Feb, 2017.

SR NO.	Name of the Student	SR NO.	Name of the Student
1	ANSH GUPTA	8	JYOT H KIKANI
2	NISHTHA C GUJARATHI	9	STAVAN D MEHTA
3	ANANG A BHAGWATI	10	AABHAS A SENAPATI
4	MEGH JESALPURA	11	SHUBHAM R AGRAWAL
5	MIHIKA P CHOKHADIA	12	MANAS MHASAKAR
6	DEV SHAH	13	ANUBHAV JAIN
7	SAACHI JAISWAL		

### ‘Sparkie Champ of the Week’

**Abhas Senapati** of class 7 scored the highest number of sparkies during the period of (26<sup>th</sup> Dec-1<sup>st</sup> Jan 2017). He is declared as the “**Sparkie Champ of the Week**” as he gained the highest number of sparkies during the week. He was awarded a Mindspark Sparkie Champ of the week badge and a certificate. He also won a Silver medal in the NSO and a Gold medal in the IMO Olympiad. Congratulations! Keep up the good work.

**Sivan K** of Class 8C has been declared as Sparkie Champ of Week for his sparkling performance in Mindspark (17th April - 23rd April 2017). ‘**Sparkie Champ of the Week**’ is declared on the basis of gaining highest number of sparkies during that particular week.



### French Olympiad

The students of ZSE Vejalpur have performed very well in the French Olympiad. They have brought a lot of laurels and accolades to the esteemed organization by winning medals in the **International French Language Olympiad**, competing with their counterparts within all sections from their respective clan of the students. They have carved a niche for themselves in the above Olympiad.

The participants who have secured **1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>** positions were rewarded with gold, silver and bronze medals. Their names are as follows:

Sr NO.	Name	Rank	Medal
1.	Aashna Kanodia	1	Gold
2	Hirdaya Rajpal	2	Silver
3	Jeet Gupta	3	Bronze
4	Dhairya Shah	1	Gold
5	Saniya Shah	2	Silver
6	Diya Shah	3	Bronze
7	Maulika shah	1	Gold
8	Manvi Shah	2	Silver
9	Amoli Shah	3	Bronze

### YIP- Young Indian Parliament

YIP- Young Indian Parliament is held every year at various places across India. This programme aims to create awareness among the students about the actual proceedings in Indian Parliament. This year YIP will be held at Baroda at the waves Club on 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2017. An Orientation programme was held by the members of YIP (Kavya and Prarthana) in our school on 17<sup>th</sup> April, 2017. This orientation aimed at enlightening the students about the proceedings, registrations etc. Students were inquisitive about it and 20 students had registered for the programme.

Young Indian Parliament (YIP) was held at Baroda on 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2017 wherein 23 students of Zydus School for Excellence, Vejalpur participated. This two day event was divided into two parts. On the first day the students enthusiastically saw debates on the issues like climate change, science and technology, education system in India and so on. On the second day students were divided into four political parties. The students prepared throughout the day for the election of their Prime Ministerial candidates. For the entire day there was debate, election and press conferences. The election procedure of Indian Parliament was completely shown on the second day. At the end voting was done by secret ballot. It was a hands on learning experience for the students as they learned a lot about the working of the parliament and the election process in India.



## CAMPUS HULLABALOO

### Amogh - The 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Art Exhibition

Hues of colour adorned the walls during Amogh – The 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Art Exhibition organized by Zydus School for Excellence (ZSE).

The two-day exhibition held on 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> February at L&P Hutheesingh Visual Art Centre, was a treat for all as young minds of ZSE, Vejalpur and Godhavi had poured in their imagination on canvases with their creativity. Splendid work of art was exhibited during the live demonstration which included decoupage, coffee painting, lino prints, tattoo painting, quilling work, thread painting and live sketching. More than 500 artworks like wooden lamp, gift box, photo frame, decoupage tray, tissue paper holder, compass box prepared by children were on display.

Zydus School for Excellence believes in holistic development of children. Amogh provides a platform for young artists to showcase their talent and hone their skills in the field of Art. A range of art works created by students of all classes were put on exhibit.

The event was attended by parents, students and art lovers from various fields.



### ‘ZyShow’- The Annual School Exhibition

Plethora of talent was displayed by students of Class 3 to 10 of Zydus School for Excellence, Vejalpur during their annual school exhibition – ‘**The ZyShow**’. The two-day exhibition held in the school premises on 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> March witnessed good response from the parents.

The corridors took the visitors through work prepared by students of various club activities conducted round the year. The photography club students presented their clicks of different activities conducted throughout the session and also a documentary prepared by them. The Soft Toys, Needlework and Art section saw an array of colourful soft toys, crocheted accessories, wood carvings and lino paintings. It was a visual treat in the carpentry section where students had made wooden cafeteria tables, stools, boxes, shoe shelves. Scientific talent was reflected in the Science section which showcased some brilliant projects through working and non-working models.

The food lovers craving for something appetizing was taken care by the students of Non-Fire Cooking club activity. The students of Public Speaking, Quiz, IT and Community Services did not leave any area for boredom with their peppy, interesting and informative presentations.

Parents in large numbers visited the exhibition and were impressed and elated with the work of their children.

*Shree Pandya a student of class X B, who was a part of the Non-Fire Cooking Club said that, "NFC is a club for the 'foodies' who have a sense of creativity along with enthusiasm. The former provides a variety of delicacies which are purely made by the 'young chefs' of our school. Not only they enjoyed the club thoroughly but also the learned various things like how to maintain a kitchen, to decorate food, use different appliances etc. The teachers of the club were very supportive. They loved to serve many amazing dishes like the Chocolate cake and Oreo Shake.."*

*Manaswini Joshi a student of class X A who was a part of the Art Club summarised her experience as, "Throughout the year, the Art Club students learned wood carving. They did their work in a methodical manner at different levels. First, they decided a good design which could be embossed. Next, they made a sample model on clay and imitated exactly it on wood. Along with this, they also learned the usage of different tools and understood the pain and hardwork of the craftsmen. They had a sense of unity and altogether, they mastered a new skill."*



## **‘Charming Quills’ launched at ZSE, Vejalpur Dance, Music and Drama Extravaganza by students of ZSE, Vejalpur**

**‘Charming Quills’, a compilation of creative writing work by students of Zydu School for Excellence, Vejalpur and Godhavi, was recently launched in the Vejalpur campus. The work was the outcome of a creative writing competition organised by Charming Quills, a joint venture of Pranali Foundation with Zydu School for Excellence which was held for classes 5 to 12 in loving memory of student Late Pranali Bhatt, a voracious writer herself. The winners were felicitated during the award ceremony which was presided by Mrs. Esther David, eminent author and columnist, Mrs. Sujatha Rajesh, Vice President, Corporate Communications, Zydu Cadila and Dr. Paresh Bhatt & Mrs. Dakshina Bhatt, Founders of Pranali Foundation and parents of Pranali.**

This was followed by a fun-filled extravaganza put up by the students of music, dance and drama club activities. A musical medley by students of music left the audience mesmerized. Blossoming young talents bloomed into a colorful effervescence and with their colourful and bright attires, students of dance club put up beautiful fusion dance forms. The drama group of children enthralled the audience with various significant messages.

Parents in large numbers graced the occasion and carried home beautiful memories.



## ગુજરાતી માતૃભાષા ગૌરવદિનની ઉજવણી પ્રસંગની નોંધ તા-૨૧-૦૨-૧૭

ઝાયડસ સ્કૂલ ફોર એક્સીલન્સ, વેજલપુર શાળામાં તા- ૨૧-૦૨-૧૭ ના રોજ ગુજરાતી માતૃભાષા ગૌરવદિનની ઉજવણી થઈ. માતૃભાષાનું મહત્વ દર્શાવતા અનેકવિધ કાર્યક્રમો થયા. સવારે ગુજરાતી પ્રાર્થનાસભાનું આયોજન થયું જેમાં કાવ્યપઠન, અભિનયગીતો, નાટકો, સમૂહગીતો, વક્તવ્ય, ગુજરાતના ગૌરવને રજૂ કરતા પી.પી.ટી રજૂ થયા. આ ઉપરાંત વર્ગોમાં શૈક્ષણિક કાર્યોમાં પઠન, લેખન, મુખવાંચન, પુસ્તકાલયમાં મૂકવાંચન વગેરે અનેક પ્રવૃત્તિઓ થઈ. વિદ્યાર્થીઓ માતૃભાષા શિક્ષણના મહત્વને સમજે તે માટે આવી પ્રવૃત્તિઓ લાભદાયી નિવડે છે. સરકારે લીધેલ આ પગલુ કળદાયી છે. આ દ્વારા આપણે વધારે સજાગતાથી આપણી માતૃભાષા શીખીએ તથા બોલીએ છીએ. “ જય ગુજરાત, જય ગુજરાતી ભાષા.”



### Talk on Study and Examination guidance by alumna Ms. Kruti Kharod

A talk on ‘Study and Examination Guidance’ was organised for the students of class 10<sup>th</sup> on 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2017. Alumna Ms. Kruti Kharod (2011 batch) took the initiative to present and guide the students and answered their queries, looking from a grass root perspective. Students were quite attentive and interactive, and were inquisitive to gain more guidance.



### Career Talk by Representatives from The University of Windsor, Canada

A career talk was organised for the students of class 12<sup>th</sup> in association with representatives from University of Windsor, Canada on 7<sup>th</sup> April, 2017. The Indian Coordinator for the University talked about the various undergraduate programs (including fees and cost of living) available in their flagship for the students in all the streams and how it can be a beneficial journey for them professionally.



### Republic Day

68<sup>th</sup> Republic Day was celebrated by hoisting the national flag which was followed by national anthem and speech by principal ma'am. Later on, there was recitation of Rabindranath Tagore's poem 'Where the Mind is Without Fear' and a video was shown on Indian soldiers at siachen glacier. The students also sang a group patriotic song which infused the feeling of patriotism among the audience.



~Mili pandya

### Scholar's Trophy

Zyodus School for Excellence- **Vejalpur, celebrated its Scholar's Trophy Awards Function** on 15th April, 2017, in the school premises. This meet recognised talent, skill, intelligence and hard work of the young minds. The chief guest, Dr Megha Bhatt and the Dignitary, Mr Madhav Kulkarni were enthusiastic and supportive throughout the event. The proud parents speedily occupied the seats to applaud **their children's success.**

The event kick-started as Amoli Shah, of class 9, and Shailiny Mehta, of class 10 welcomed all the guests. This was followed by the grand prayer and welcoming of the guests.

Principal **Ma'am Alka** Murthy, followed by the respected Guest of Honour and Dignitary enlightened the students as well as their parents with their thoughtful words. With this came the most awaited moment of the function, the awards ceremony.

**Priyanka Awasthi Ma'am, followed by Sana Mansuri Ma'am and Avni Patel Ma'am announced the names of the commendable scholars, who had scored 91% aggregate marks in the past academic year, as they received their awards.**

**Gunjan Ma'am then announced the names of the Junior Proficiency Certificate Holders, who gleefully received their certificates for outstanding performance in their respective Club Activities. This was followed by the Senior Proficiency Certificate distribution for which Sheetal Sharma Ma'am made the announcements.**

The school also recognised the Office Bearers with a certificate for their continuous perseverance in the line of duty. The school head boy, Nipun Garg, then extended the vote of thanks. The prosperous event thus ended on a happy note as the school rose for the School Song followed by the National Anthem. For the junior classes **the Scholar's trophy and the proficiency certificates were given away by conducting a special assembly.**





### Farewell

As tradition follows, the Farewell of class XII-Batch 2016/17 was held on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2017 at Zydus School for Excellence, Vejalpur. The whole event was planned by a group of students of class XI while the decorations and the set up was **done by the entire batch.** The evening started with **Principal Madam's address** followed by the cutting of the cake where **Principal Ma'am was accompanied by the Head girl, Heer Shah and the Head boy, Nipun Garg.**

The event comprised of the Tag-ceremony, games, DJ party which was followed by **dinner. Games included 'Guess the Song', Riddles and 'Dare'.** During dinner, a video-montage of their time in school was shown. It contained memories of trips with school teachers, their activities and achievements.

Like every year, by the time the event ended, the batch gave a tearful goodbye to their teachers and the school.



~ Riva Shah  
(X-B)

## OFF CAMPUS LEARNING

### Picnic to Jambughoda

Students of Class 4th went for a picnic to Jambughoda on 25<sup>th</sup> January 2017. Eighty students along with the teachers visited the place. There were a lot of adventure activities organized for them. Children enjoyed a lot and they also saw a lot of animals and birds.



### Trip to Sundervan

Students of 3rd STD went on an educational field trip to **Sundervan**. It was held on 17<sup>th</sup> January, 2017. Students saw variety of birds like Turkey, Geese, peacock, ducks Guinea fowl, Budgerigar, peahen etc. They also saw reptiles section and students were excited to see different types of snakes and crocodiles. They were fascinated by watching Indian Rock Python. They also enjoyed watching different types of fishes at the aquarium. They were amazed to see porcupines, hopping rabbits, baby turtles and tortoise. They were astonished to see the large number of bats hanging upside down on tree branches. Overall the trip was enlightening and knowledgeable.



~ Riva Shah  
(X-B)

## INTER HOUSE COMPETITION

The Inter-house **Poster Making Competition** for grade 9 to 12 was held on the 1st of April. The children painted the posters with colours and topics as vibrant as their cheerful mood. The following are its results.

House	Participants	Position
Karma	Trishita Roy (10B)	1 <sup>st</sup>
Gyan	Vriddhi Mehta (10A)	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Karma	Anika Bandopadhyay (10C)	3 <sup>rd</sup>



The Inter-house **Chess Competition** was held on the 15th of April. The participants played with a joyful spirit and focused mind-set. The following are the results for classes 6 to 8.

House	Participants	Position
Dharma	Marmik Shah (5C)	1 <sup>st</sup>
Karma	Hriday Shah (3A)	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Bhakti	Vihan Shah (3C)	3 <sup>rd</sup>

The following are the results of classes 6 to 8.

House	Participants	Position
Gyan	Prerak Sanandiya (6A)	1 <sup>st</sup>
Gyan	Arya Shah (7A)	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Karma	Vimarsh Shah (8A)	3 <sup>rd</sup>

The following are the results of classes 9 to 12.

House	Participants	Position
Karma	Hriday Rathi (9C)	1 <sup>st</sup>
Gyan	Viral Doshi (10A)	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Bhakti	Gautam Shah (9B)	3 <sup>rd</sup>



The Inter-house **Colouring an Aeroplane Competition** for grade 1 was held on the 17th of April. The enthusiastic participants painted their aeroplanes with such vivid colours that it felt as if the plane was about to take off into the never-ending sky. This time the **Bhakti** House members succeeded in appealing the judges. The following are its results.

House	Participants	Position
Bhakti	Arjan Sachdeva (1B)	1 <sup>st</sup>
Bhakti	Vrinda Bansal (1A)	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Bhakti	Khushi Rushi (1B)	3 <sup>rd</sup>



The Inter-house **Colouring a Butterfly Competition** for grade 2 was held on the 17th of April. The students created larger than life butterflies with their amazing talents and sense of colours. The **Bhakti** house members were successful once again. The following are its results.

House	Participants	Position
Bhakti	Freya Shah (2B)	1 <sup>st</sup>
Bhakti	Nivedh Nair (2A)	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Bhakti	Bhashi Shah (2C)	3 <sup>rd</sup>



~ Dharini Padh  
(X-B)

The Inter-house **Colouring with Shading Competition** was held on the 17<sup>th</sup> of April. The passionate students filled their pages with amazing colour gradients. This depicted their sense of colour, originality as well as creativity. The following are the results for grade 3 where the **Gyan** team proved to be the most powerful.

House	Participants	Position
Gyan	Deshana Shah (3A)	1 <sup>st</sup>
Gyan	Kashvi Kapadia (3B)	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Gyan	Mahek Shah (3B)	3 <sup>rd</sup>

The following are the results for grade 4.

House	Participants	Position
Gyan	Jiya Patel (4A)	1 <sup>st</sup>
Bhakti	Mauli Dave (4A)	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Bhakti	Nima Patel (4C)	3 <sup>rd</sup>

The following are the results of grade 5.

House	Participants	Position
Gyan	Jenil Shah (5A)	1 <sup>st</sup>
Karma	Mrunalini Jadeja (5A)	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Bhakti	Bhavika Shah (5B)	3 <sup>rd</sup>



~ Raj Shah  
(X-A)

## PLAYGROUP IN ACTION

### Convocation

Convocation ceremony of Sr.Kg. students was held on 16th March, 2017. The guest of honour for the ceremony was Mrs. Shweta Modi who owns a preschool in Paldi. The function started with a prayer song, dance and followed by instrumental performance by the students of Grade 1. Sr. Kg. students were given convocation hats and certificates by Principal ma'am and the guest of honour.



In the last quarter there were many class wise competitions held in the pre primary section. The tiny tots enthusiastically competed among themselves with great zeal and enthusiasm. **Recitation Competition** was held on 11th November, 2016 for the students of Jr. Kg. On 3rd December, 2016 **Fancy Dress Competition** was held wherein the students participated enthusiastically and showcased their talent. As children love to listen to stories and describe various pictures at length, a **Show'n'Tell Competition** was organised for the students of Sr. Kg. on 3<sup>rd</sup> January, 2017. **Handwriting Competition** was also held for the students of Sr. Kg. on 6<sup>th</sup> February, 2017. In order to enhance their vocabulary, a **World Building Competition** was also held on 9<sup>th</sup> March, 2017. The winners of this competition were given away the certificates in the assembly.



## STUDENT'S CORNER

### **Carry On**

She hurries along the subway,  
Holding in her tears;  
Stumbling along the alley,  
Held hostage by her fears.

Looking across the dead streets,  
She knows her life is forlorn;  
**“Oh, in this world of dread,  
How can I carry on?”**

A stray tear rolls on her cheek,  
As she deftly glides into her room;  
Getting gnawed at by self-doubt,  
She gets consumed by her gloom.

The walls went up  
As her confidence is torn,  
But dear, oh dear  
In this world of torment, carry on.

Suddenly, the wave hits and spreads like wildfire  
She struggles to muffle her sobs, but in vain,  
The tempest is let out in a faint cry of help,  
As the night grows heavier with pain.

The moon observed quietly, as he gazed at the pretty girl  
But the mirror reflected a visage so angry and scorn.  
She decided, in this world full of terror,  
**She wouldn't like to carry on.**

As she rummages in her room, her eye catches a glimpse  
Of a rusty old frame, decaying on the bed.  
Chiseled hands run across the picture  
As she reminisced what her parents said.

**“Always remember where you tread,  
For courage is not the absence of fear,  
But the will to acknowledge that  
Love and Hope will always be here.”**

She wipes her tears and smiles to herself.  
As soon as the Hurricane is gone,  
The Rainbow appears; singing to the world, she says,  
**“Oh, in this world full of hope, I will carry on!”**

~Sana Lokhandwala  
(X – B)

### ***Choice and creation***

The heart wishes,  
the mind wants,  
the body needs ,  
and we're taught to believe  
that these are the ideals of romance.  
I refuse to revel in the signs of our incompleteness.  
I will never swoon ,  
say awww or be flattered  
when you profess that  
any of your wishes wants or needs  
are about me.  
Choice and creation  
are the only things I respect.  
Choice and creation  
are the only things I revel in,  
Choice and creation  
are the only paths to love  
that I will ever take .  
Do not wish. Make.  
Do not want. Be.  
Do not need. Choose  
Be an artist, not my muse.

~Shachi Vaghela  
(X)



~ Dev Patel  
(X-C)



મારુ ગુજરાત - આગવું ગુજરાત

-Saniya Shah  
(Class – VIII C)

"જય જય ગરવી ગુજરાત,  
દીપે અરુણું પરભાત!"

મારુ ગુજરાત પ્રાચીન સમયથીજ આગવી ગરિમા ધરાવે છે. સિદ્ધરાજ જયસિંહ કુમારપાળ, કર્ણદેવ, ભીમદેવ સોલંકીનું આ ગુજરાત છે. આઝાદીના લડવૈયા ગાંધીજી, સરદાર વલ્લભભાઈ પટેલ, રવિશંકર મહારાજનું એ ગુજરાત છે.

ભારતના બધા રાજ્યોમાં ગુજરાત વિશેષ મહત્વ ધરાવે છે. તે 1 મે 1960માં મુંબઈ રાજ્યથી અલગ પડ્યું હતું. ત્યારથી લઈને આજ સુધી દિવસે-દિવસે તેની પ્રગતિ દરેક ક્ષેત્રે થઈ છે.

તેમા નર્મદા, તાપી, સાબરમતી, હાથમતી જેવી નદીઓ વહે છે. ગીર, પાવાગઢ, ઇડર, તારંગા, જેવા ડુંગરો આવેલા છે. પશ્ચિમમાં અરબી સમુદ્ર, ખંભાતનો અખાત, કચ્છનો અખાત તેના તટનીરક્ષા કરે છે. સોમનાથ, દ્વારકા, પાલીતાણા, અંબાજી, પાવાગઢ જેવા યાત્રાના સ્થળો આવેલા છે.

ખેતીની દ્રષ્ટિએ ગુજરાતમાં ચરોતરનો તમાકુનો પ્રદેશ, કપાસ માટે કાનમનો પ્રદેશ અને ચોરવાડ-વલસાડ વગેરે જગ્યાઓમાં ફળોની વાડીઓ આવેલી છે. સુજલામ્-સુફલામ્ યોજના દ્વારા 10000 ગામો આવરી લેતી 1900કી.મી. લાંબી પાઇપ ખેંચી છે. અને 75% ઘરોમાં નળનું પાણી આવે છે.

ઔદ્યોગિક ક્ષેત્રે પણ ગુજરાતે મોટી હરણફાળ ભરી છે. સાણંદમાં 'નેનો' પ્રોજેક્ટ જેવા અનેક દેશી-વિદેશી પ્રોજેક્ટ છે અને નાના-મોટા ગૃહઉદ્યોગ વિકાસ પામ્યા છે. વાઇબ્રન્ટ ગુજરાતમાં ઘણા દેશી-વિદેશી રોકાણકારો નવા-નવા ઉદ્યોગ માટે ગુજરાતમાં મૂડી રોકે છે.

ગાંધીનગર તે આધુનિક ગુજરાતનું પાટનગર અને સૌથી સુંદર શહેર છે. અમદાવાદ સુરત, રાજકોટ, ભાવનગરની તો વાતજ નિરાળી છે. હવે તો બધે શોપિંગ મોલ્સ, મલ્ટિપ્લેક્સ થિયેટરો અને રિવર ફ્રન્ટ બન્યા છે. દિવાળીમાં તો જાણે ઇન્ડિયાનું પેરિસ લાગે છે.

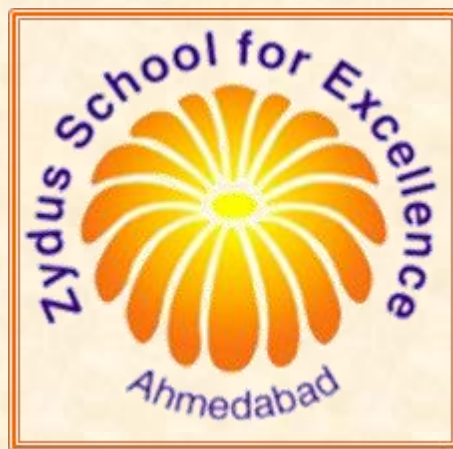
આ બધા ઉપરાંત ગુજરાતી પ્રજાનું ખમીર સોનામાં સુગંધ ભળે એવું છે. કચ્છી પ્રજાએ ધરતીકંપ પછી કચ્છને પાછું બેઠું કરી દીધું. ગુજરાતીઓ તો વિદેશમાં પણ ફાફડા-જલેબી ખમણ-ઢોકળા, પાત્રા ખાય છે. અને છેલ્લે ગુજરાતના ગરબાને કઈ રીતે ભુલાય? તેથીજ કોઈએ કીધું છે:

"જ્યાં જ્યાં વસે ગુજરાતી,

ત્યાં ત્યાં સદાકાળ ગુજરાત!"

### A Note from the Editorial Committee

Hello Readers! We are back with our final issue of Zen- The Zydus E-Newsletter which contains all the happenings in the last quarter. As the summer break has **started we would like our children to believe in 'Stay Indoors, Stay Creative'**. Here we would also like to thank all our students for their valuable contribution in the making of this magazine, especially our editor and co- editor. Dear readers after reading the magazine please send in your valuable feedback. It matters to us. Thank you.



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