EXPRESSIONS

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Introduction

"We don't know about you, but we feel like this summer has been dragging on forever. It could be the dreadfully hot weather, or it could be the fact that your favourite team has not won a single game in the IPL lately" Either way, we are glad that summer break is just around the corner. Our efforts to diversify the population of the school continues. New partnerships have been established with some places within the nation and outside. It is our honour to cater many international students. A lot is happening in this month, one of the most common challenges for the new ones: changing their bedtime routine. Enjoy reading our newsletter, and do not hesitate to contact us.



<u>Kāsiga School Commemorates</u> <u>Jallianwala Bagh Tragedy</u>

On 13 th April, 2022, Kāsiga School organized a special assembly to commemorate the Jallianwala Bagh massacre of April 13 th , 1919. Through the assembly, which included a small enactment of the incident to depict the horrendous incident, the students were made to be aware of the value of our present-day rights and freedom. Freedom cost was heavy. Numerous people lost their lives and made unbelievable sacrifices at the altar of freedom.







The Jallianwala Bagh tragedy is not just about sacrifice and loss of life. It was an incident which gave a massive spurt to feeling of nationalism amongst the Indians. It led to the birth of the Non-Cooperation Movement under the leadership of Mahatma Gandhi. The Indians showed to the world how non-violence and peace could be used as a very effective weapon. In fact, the entire Freedom Movement was based on non-violent Satyagraha, Swadeshi and Boycott and not cooperating with the British government.



We remember Jallianwala, not just to remember our martyrs of that particular incident, but all those who lost their life to support the cause of Indian Independence and all those who sacrificed the life and lives for maintaining the hard-won freedom, for the well-being of the people of India.

The programme was marked by a patriotic song which tried to inspirit the children to a feeling of deep nationalism today, so that we may deal with the needs of the nation today. The song asked the students to give up their differences to work towards making India into a powerful and prosperous nation.

World Heritage Day

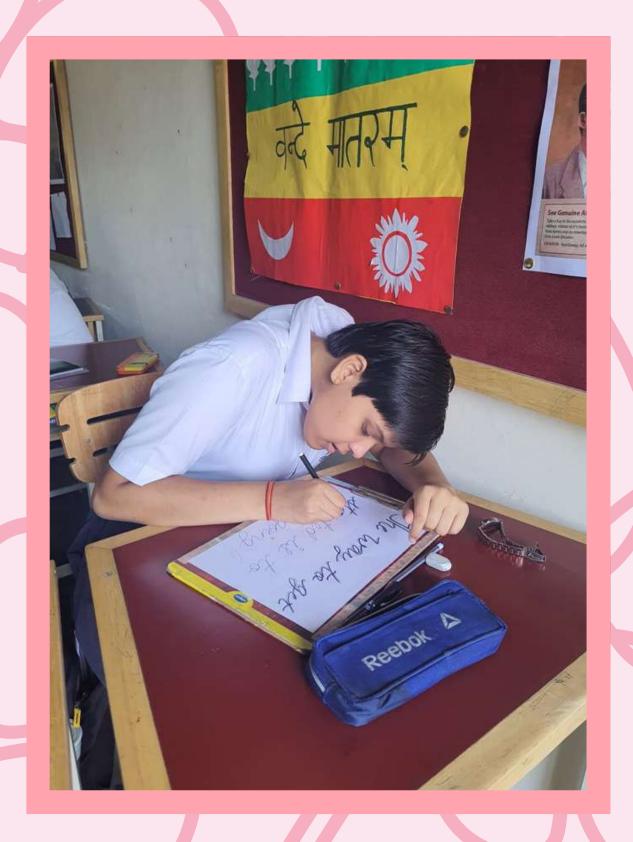
On the occasion of World Heritage Day on 18th April, 2022, students of Kāsiga School conducted a special assembly. The assembly began with a quote by Former Member of the Constituent Assembly of India, Shyama Prasad Mukherjee followed by an enlightening session on World Heritage Day, its history and goal. Every year ICOMOS decides on a theme for this day. The theme of World Heritage Day for the year 2022 is 'Heritage and Climate'. The session ended with a fun quiz with the students and teachers.



The Art of Calligraphy

"English Calligraphy Competition" on 25th April, 2022. Calligraphy writing is an art that helps to teach children muscles control and hand eye coordination. In order to develop fine motor skills, confidence and most importantly their own style of writing in cursive and various font style, school had conducted this competition. It was compulsory for all the students which only excluded the board classes. Students had given a tough competition and presented their writing talent very beautifully.









Melange

"Let grammar, punctuation, and spelling into your life! Even the most energetic and wonderful mess has to be turned into sentences." ~ Terry Pratchett

The English department at Kāsiga School organized an inter house event 'Melange' on 13th April, 2022. Students from classes IV to XII participated in the event. It witnessed Word Art, a Group recitation competition, Word Lab, a Spell Bee competition where students from both the junior as well as the senior school participated and War of Wits, a debate competition. The topic for the debate was 'Social-Media is a hindrance to the freedom of the fourth Pillar of Democracy (Press)'. The participants threw a thoughtful insight into the topic. It was a very closely contested event, making it difficult for the judges to choose the winners









The judges for the event were the Head of School Dr. Rajput Surendra Singh and the Head of Junior School- Ms. Caroline Hauzel. Panna Tyagi and Divyansh Veer Singh were the winners of the debate competition. Everest House bagged the trophy.

This competition was one of the numerous enjoyable competitions that gave students a platform to learn spellings in different ways, hone their oratory skills and master the art of articulation through public speaking and develop the use of correct English. After all, articulating our thoughts is also an art—a necessary one, if not beautiful.





Students participated earnestly in the competition. Their efforts and initiative were appreciated by one and all. Everest House also came first in Group recitation competition. Both Junior and Senior Spell Bee Competitions were won by Amazon House. The Everest house and the Amazon house shared the Rolling Trophy.

Chess Tournament, Kāsiga School

The game of chess is not merely an idle amusement. Several valuable qualities of the mind, useful in the course of human life, are to be acquired or strengthened by it. Life is a kind of Chess, in which we often have points to gain, and competitors or adversaries to contend with.

On the pleasant morning of 27th April 2022, Kāsiga School hosted an Inter-school Chess Tournament. Many reputed schools namely Wynberg Allen School, Mussoorie International School, St. Jude's School, Rashtriya Indian Military College, St. Joseph's Academy, Tula's International School, Doon International School, D.S.B. International Public School, The Oberoi School, Touchwood School, D.P.S. Girls' School, Indian Public School zestfully participated in the tournament.





The Chief Guest Mr. Siddharth Batta, Director Finance and Administration, Kāsiga School declared the tournament open. The matches were played in Under-12, Under-14, Under-16 and Under-18 categories. Keeping in view, how the global shut-down impacted the sports calendar world-wide. While physical activity was restricted, mental well-being rested on indoor games or online resources. Chess being the perfect gymnasium for the mind, all participants gleefully endured the brain muscle test. The officials from the Uttarakhand Chess Federation facilitated the matches held in different categories. The participants from St. Joseph's Academy and Wynberg Allen School secured many positions in different categories, leading to a spectacular competition.

Eventually, the overall Championship Trophy was claimed by St. Joseph's Academy, while Wynberg Allen bagged the Runners up Trophy. The winners were felicitated and the tournament was declared closed, by Director Welfare, Kāsiga School, Ms. Chandni Batta in the concluding Prize Distribution Ceremony. Kāsiga School appreciates all the participants for displaying zest and sportsmanship!



HINDI WRITING COMPETITION

"Handwriting is a spiritual designing, even though it appears by means of a material instrument." — Euclid

Handwriting is an essential skill for children. Practicing handwriting is an incredibly important exercise for children, enabling them to develop fine motor skills and confidence. It activates the brain and contributes to reading fluency. Good handwriting is important as in the modern world, in all walks of life, people are judged by their handwriting.

An inter-house handwriting competition was held on 27th of April for classes 4 to 10. The students participated in it with a lot of excitement and passion.



Glimpses of special assembly held on the occasion of WORLD BOOK

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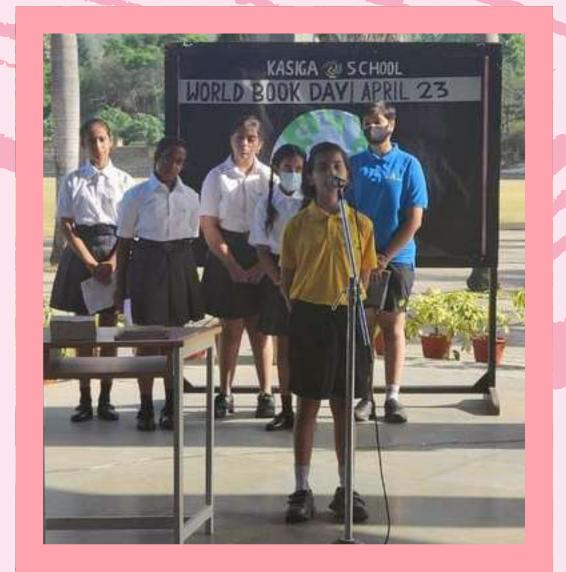
The world book day is also known as Copyright Day or International Day of the Book. It is an annual event organised by UNESCO to promote reading publication and Copyright.

Developing Reading and Comprehension Skills among students has always been a prime idea of Kasiga School. A book fair gives a golden chance to help students in achieving this goal. A book fair is also an excellent way to get a large number of books on a variety of topics in one place.

On the occasion of 'International Children's Book Day' our school has organized a book fair under the initiative of "Reading India Event 2022" by the Ministry of Culture and Development. The event was organized and sponsored by BBC groups.







FOLK VIBES

The inaugural edition of the Inter school Folk Dance Competition, 'Dance Vibes' was organized by Kasiga School on its campus on April 29 in which nine leading schools of the city participated.

The dance troupes that competed were from The Asian School, Doon International School, Ecole Globale Girls' School, Him Jyoti School, Mussoorie International School, St. Jude's School, The Indian Public School, Welham Girls School and the host School, Kasiga.

Mr. Ramesh Batta, Chairman of Kasiga School was the Chief Guest who was accompanied by his wife, Mrs. Poonam Batta and the entire Board of Directors of the School. The judges were Ms. Meetu Bansal and Ms. Sunita Vijay, both professional exponents of various forms of folk dance who are also professional choreographers.

St. Jude's School was deservingly declared the winner, whilst Welham Girls' School came in second and Kasiga School secured the third position.









GLIMPSES OF CRICKET TOURNAMENT AT SCHOOL











"Our Lord has written the promise of resurrection, not in books alone, but in every leaf in springtime."- Martin Luther





Welcoming Easter at Kasiga with the blooming of Easter Lillies.