



The Oxford School
Trivandrum



KERALA PIRAVI CELEBRATED WITH PRIDE AND POMP

T O S T c e l e b r a t e d 'Keralappiravi' on 2nd Nov.2020 organised jointly by the Heritage Club and Dept. of Malayalam. The chief guest of the function was Sri. K. Sudarshanan who is a Multi-faceted litterateur, Former

Onakkoor. Teachers and students took a Bhasha pledge on this day.

To add colour to the Kerala Piravi celebrations, TOST observed a one week long "KERALA PIRAVI VARACHARANAM" wherein



Additional Chief Electoral Officer and Govt. Special Secretary of Kerala. The occasion was blessed with a special message by the famous novelist Dr. George

students were oriented on various aspects of our state, Kerala. Students as well as teachers actively participated in the programmes.



TOST MARKS SPECIAL DAYS

1 "Kindness, the most wanted"

On 6th October 2020 the Oxford School celebrated WORLD ANIMAL WELFARE DAY by conducting a special assembly. Students were sensitized on the importance of animal welfare through speech; Videos, Powerpoint presentations etc. have raised awareness about improving the welfare standards of the animals across the globe.

2 "Grow, nourish,

The School celebrated WORLD Food Day on 19th October called for building back better and honour the food heroes. The theme "Grow, nourish, sustain" defines the importance of healthy food and consumption. The Oxfordians exhibited vibrant varieties of foods and food cultures.

3 The Future We Want, the UN We Need.

With the theme of 75th United Nations Day 2020 "The Future We Want, the UN We Need: Reaffirming our Collective Commitment to Multilateralism" the students of the Oxford School observed it on 26th of Oct. enthusiastically. The Oxfordians actively participated in the special assembly with power point presentations and poster-making to illustrate the prominence of the day. The motivational slogans, speeches and awareness videos spread the message of global peace and equality.

TOST MARKS SPECIAL DAYS

4 Be Thrifty, help others

World Thrift Day was observed on 30th October 2020 to promote the savings and financial security of individuals. Senior students gave astute advice on the ways in which finances can be best managed.

Students of grade XI oriented their peer groups through recorded videos about the idea of saving their money rather than keeping it at home. The recorded videos were shared in the classrooms during assembly to inculcate the value of sharing.

This activity could make them understand the importance of being thrifty.



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5 Mole day

Mole's day was observed on 23rd October 2020. The department of mathematics along with the students of Class XI A and Class XI B filmed a video explaining the importance of Mole and Mole day.

They also threw light on the theme of the year 2020, Avogadro number and National Mole Day Foundation. The video was shared in Classes 9 to 12.



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6 Tap! Glide! Guide- Independence for the blind..

The Oxfordians set aside worldwide Cane Day to mark the achievements of people who are blind or visually impaired and the important symbol of successful lives. Students were sensitized about their pivotal role in the support of the blind community.



Cyber Safety Club took initiative to remember this day as the importance of recognizing the white cane.

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TOST JOINS HANDS WITH THE UNITED NATIONS' MISSION: SDGS

CLIMATE ACTION- UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDG 13)



Challenger's Club of The Oxford School, Trivandrum collaborated online with 1,000,000 participants across more than 100 countries in the fourth Climate Action Project - 2020 aiming to lead behavior change through education in collaboration with WWF, UN, and NASA which is supported by HH



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Dalai Lama, Dr. Jane Goodall, Kumi Naidoo, President Higgins, many world renowned scientists and public figures. During the six



weeks from September 28th 2020 to November 5th 2020, students explored, brainstormed, discussed, created, connect presented and shared their



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findings via weekly videos. The project targets important skills like Creativity, Empathy, real-world Problem-Solving, Collaboration and Critical Thinking.

The Climate Action Project which was launched in 2017 aims to connect students globally and allow them to discuss, create, and share findings and solutions online. The main goal of the project is to nurture global citizens who have a deep and nuanced understanding of the world in which they live and who are willing to take action for a better world.

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Sustainable Development Goals

17 GOALS TO TRANSFORM OUR WORLD

The Sustainable Development Goals are a call for action by all countries – poor, rich and middle-income to promote prosperity while protecting the planet. They recognize that ending poverty must go hand-in-hand with strategies that build economic growth and address a range of social needs including education, health, social protection, and job opportunities, while tackling climate change and environmental protection. More important than ever, the goals provide a critical framework for COVID-19 recovery.

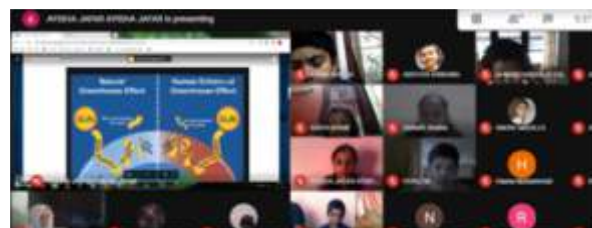


OXFORDIANS VOLUNTEER THE CLIMATE ACTION TASKS.

During the first week, students differentiated weather and climate, analysed definitions of climate change by trusted experts, demonstrated the effect of temperature on sea level rise,

Carbon cycle, graded global climate change etc.

In the second week, students analysed the causes and effects of climate change on flora, fauna, weather pattern and lifestyle of



identified the causes of climate change locally, studied about

India during the last decade. As a part of this, they did an 'Inter-generational dialogue' in which they interviewed their parents and relatives to validate their findings and

also conducted surveys using google forms.

IN COLLABORATION WITH DPS INT'L, GURGAON

During the third week, the students and teachers had a collaborative session with the teachers and students of DPS International, Gurgaon on Zoom. Siddeeqe Jubair of grade VIII prepared a video on the topic 'Australian forest fire and its impacts' and presented it during the session. Krithik Gopinath of grade III



presented his PPT on the topic 'Biodiversity in Mangrove land forms'.

OXFORDIANS PRESERVE NATURE

In the fourth week, students identified potential solutions for

and displaying various models. Mohammed Rihaan of grade I



explained his model of drip irrigation, Riya. S.George of grade XI explained her models of hydroponics and Fathima K M of grade XI explained about her bio- waste

climate change and specific environmental issues, by making

management system.

IT IS CLIMATE ACTION DAY

In fifth and sixth week, there are live online interactions and world-renowned experts share expertise during webinars. Student facilitators also attended Climate action hackathon through Zoom platform to discuss the solutions. Students also got opportunity to raise questions to climate experts about climate change, its impacts and the pathways to a sustainable future.

7 Be a proud student

The birth anniversary of the former President of India Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam



was observed on October 16, 2020. On World Students Day. We remember how he encouraged students to dream big and never be afraid of failure. Dr. Kalam was a role model for teachers as well.

He believed that good teachers make great human beings. During the online class assemblies the students presented speech and quizzes. Students displayed their love and respect towards the epitome through their portraits of him. His life and contributions to the world were commemorated. The video presentation of Dr APJ Abdul Kalam's speech was the highlight of all the classes.

8 Post letters, connect the past.

On 9th of October the Maths department observed World Post Office Day. The celebration was aimed at reconnecting the new generation to the living heritage - the Indian Postal System and indeed was a great step to revive the fallen glory of the postal department.



Focusing on the significance of the World post office day, philatelists of the school had the opportunity to display their lifetime collection. The Oxfordians also utilised this platform to introduce various schemes provided by the postal department which helps develop their management skills in finance.

9 Be alert, prevent disasters

An international day that encourages every citizen and government to take part in building more disaster-resilient communities and nations. On 13th of October the Oxfordians observed the UN International Day for Disaster Reduction by showing Powerpoint presentations, videos and speeches focusing on the theme "we cannot stop natural disasters but we can arm ourselves with knowledge on this day". This cognizance awakened a greater sense of contingency plan for cataclysm into the minds of every Oxfordians. As said, precaution is always better than cure.



BAPPUJI REMEMBERED WITH REVERENCE



October 2, 2020 marks the 151th birth anniversary of Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi, the most prominent leader of the

vision of Mahatma Gandhi into the minds of Oxfordians. Sri Sivarajan, Gandhidarshan Samithi Secretary, Kerala gave a message through a



Indian Independence struggle and a pioneer of truth and non-violence. Popular for his non-violent movement, the purpose of this day is to honour the iconic leader.

To reinforce the teachings of Bapu, a week long celebrations were organised in our school. Various activities and competitions like Elocution, Mask making and distribution, helping parents in their house-holds, cleaning home etc are conducted and awards given to encourage the non-violent way of life as well as celebrating Gandhi's effort in the Indian Independence movement.

The celebration was concluded with a live session and also streamed it live on YouTube. Principal Dr. Abdul Salam addressed the gathering with an awe-inspiring speech imbibing the

recorded video regarding the life which each Indian ought to live. The Chief Guest of the occasion was Prof. N Radhakrishnan, the Chairman of Indian Council of Gandhian studies (New Delhi) and also the working Chairman of Kerala Gandhi Smaraka Nidhi



shared his thoughts with the young mind in a soothing voice which mesmerised them deeply. On behalf of Gandhi Jayanthi Celebration, The Oxfordians rendered some cultural programs which exemplified patriotism.



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear parents,

We feel proud to present before you our second newsletter of this academic year. With the support of our students and parents, we could surpass the hurdles of Covid19 Pandemic and could provide a flawless system of online education coupled with co-scholastic activities for the holistic development of the children. The adverse circumstances had to stoop before the determination and unfailing spirit of our stakeholders and this newsletter stands witness to the innumerable activities conducted online which have great impact on the multiple developments of student skills.

It is a great achievement of our goals that our students have embarked upon international collaborative projects. They have joined hands with the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals to achieve by 2030 by taking part in Climate Action Projects showcasing the world how to save the climate for a peaceful living.

I hereby request all to join the UN mission to teach SDGs so that we can have a better world by 2030. I would like to convey my immense gratitude to the teachers of various clubs for carrying out the school projects and activities meticulously on time and for encouraging and motivating the student community to showcase their talents and skills.

We believe that we still can do a lot and we have many more miles to travel. Seeking the blessings of the Almighty and the continued support of the parents,

Sincerely,

Abdul Salam

Abdul Salam
Principal





THE OXFORD'S VIRTUAL FESTIVAL OF ARTS

TOST - ARTS 2020

The Oxford school Trivandrum conducted this year's arts fest virtually along with the Onam celebration in a grand manner. 'Onam cele-bration' and 'Arts Fest' were inaugurated on 28th Friday of Aug.2020 at 10 o'clock in the

a welcome speech in Malayalam. The inauguration was done by the eminent Malayalam playback singer G.Sreeram and he had an inter-



all the competitions has begun in eleven different venues and each venue had a set of teachers as coordinators and conveners. The active participation of each participant was remarkable and the tandem work of the teachers made the programmes quick and successful. By 12 noon the competitions in different venues were conducted and even announced the results thereof.



morning. To put a start, the head of the school, the principal Dr. Abdul Salam addressed the gathering with

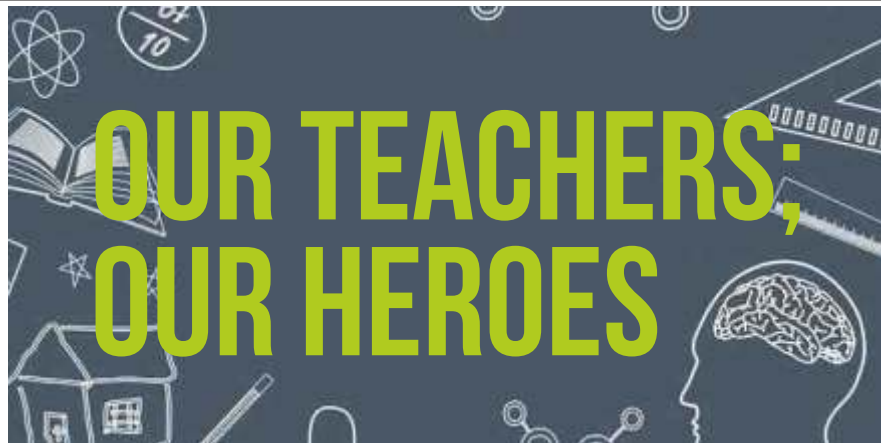
active session with the students which made the occasion extraordinarily magnificent. At 9am

On 29th, the next day had no difference in the zeal of the participants or the teachers. This was for the very first time that the oxford school conducted such an event through Google Meet and gathered all the students and parents together. Each and every faculty who worked for this deserves a huge appreciation because the fest was such an epic. Team Oxford has made a mark in history!



Teachers receive hands on learning experience

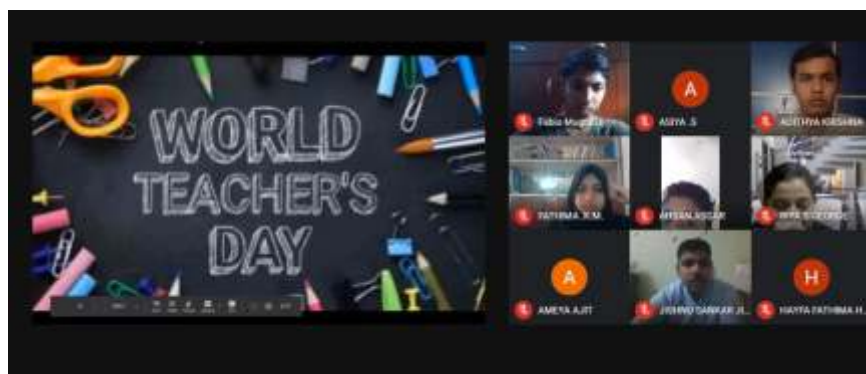
The Oxford school in collaboration with Bharat Sahodaya Complex organized an empowerment workshop for Grade 12 students and teachers in Chemistry. The session was handled by Ms Sujatha Harimohan, CBSE Resource Person. The session was mainly focused on the effective ways of learning Chemistry and the easy ways to adopt for a comprehensive and practical learning.



International teacher's day celebrations were organized online and the students from grade 1 to 12 actively participated in the special assembly on 5-10-2020. Students performed various cultural activities consisting of speech, poems, video presentation and songs. They



Dr Abdul Salam, Vice Principal
Ms Annie Francis, HOS Ms Jagruthy Santra and Ms Mary



presented e-greeting cards to their teachers as a token of love. The assembly came to an end with the class-teacher's message in their respective classes. Our beloved Principal,

Sheela Albert visited the classes during the online assembly. Students commented that they missed their school days and were longing for Corona free new classrooms.



Having an adequate home is now, more than ever, a matter of life and death. As COVID-19 continues to spread, people have been told to stay at home, but this simple measure is impossible for people who do not have adequate housing. At the same time, COVID-19 has reminded us that home is much more than just a roof. To make us feel safe and enable us to continue

HOUSING FOR ALL: A BETTER URBAN FUTURE

living, working, and learning, a home needs to be secure, to allow us to access basic services and infrastructure for hygiene measures and to have enough room for physical distancing.

To spread the message on the basic right of all to adequate shelter, the Oxfordians observed World Habitat day. They took up the initiative of demonstrating the importance of a people-centred approach in making Inclusive, affordable, and adequate housing, the key to the sustainable transformation of our cities and communities.

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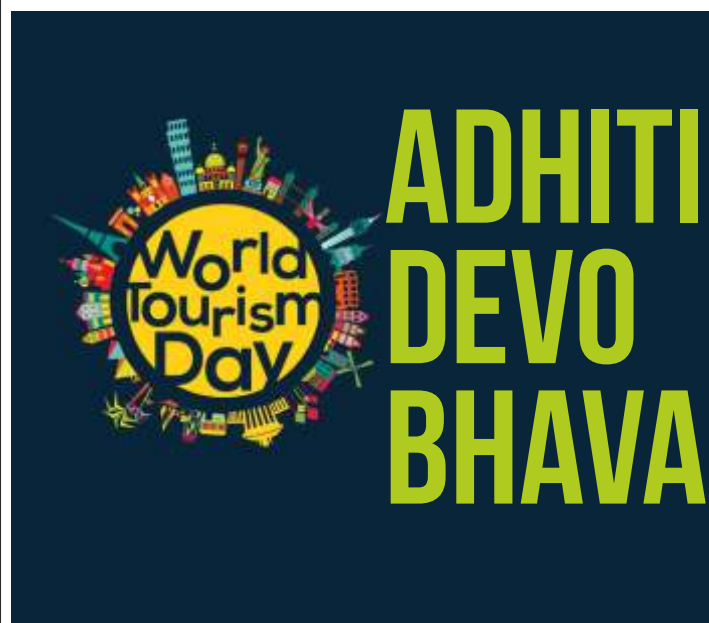


A special virtual assembly was organized on Hindi Diwas on 14th September 2020; as part of the literary club initiative. Our TOST students of grades 6 & 7 did the prayer, pledge and presented all other special programs in Hindi.

Students were briefed about the importance of the Hindi language and the reasons to celebrate the day; with the help of PPTs and videos. Students recited poems and slogans in Hindi.

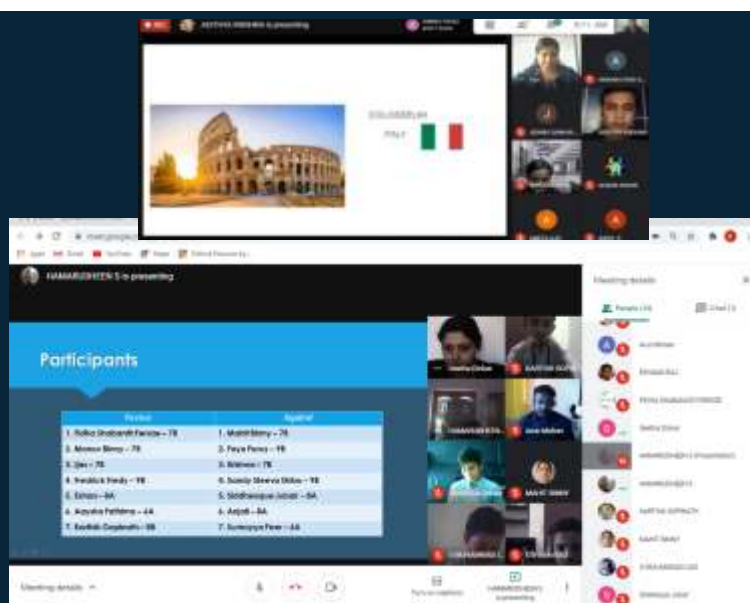
Hindi teachers also shared their views on the language, talked about famous authors and their literary works then quoted the lines of the famous poet Iqbal "Hindi Hain Hum, Vatan Hai Hindustan Hamara..." and encouraged students to communicate and express feelings in Hindi.

HINDI HAMARA RASHTRABHASHA



Travelling is all about exploring, learning and embracing that adds

more meaning to life. It is all about becoming a better person!



On this significant thought, the school conducted an assembly on World Tourism Day on 27-9-2020. The students from grade 1 to 12 actively participated in the special assembly.

Due reverence towards foreign tourists in our country, the importance of maintaining the monuments, keeping the surroundings clean was

well illustrated through role play and speech that sensitized students to honour and preserve their mother Earth. A power Point presentation on World Tourism Day enabled students to comprehend the relevance of visiting different places in India and abroad stimulating tourism to regulate imagination with reality.



Hand washing has never been more important. As the world marks Global Hand

washing Day while fighting the Covid-19 global pandemic on 15 Oct the health and wellness club

of the Oxford school promoted the hand washing habits in everyone to lead a healthier and disease free livelihood. The theme for the day "Hand Hygiene for All" was elaborated by the young minds of the Oxford School through Powerpoint presentations and speeches.

Above all, the role play and awareness videos done by students with the

support of their family members exemplified the obligations of a well aware citizen made the day extremely consequential. Since the outbreak of Covid 19 the usual hand washing has changed to sanitisation by hand sanitizers to protect ourselves from corona virus. So let's sanitise and save not only ourselves but also others.

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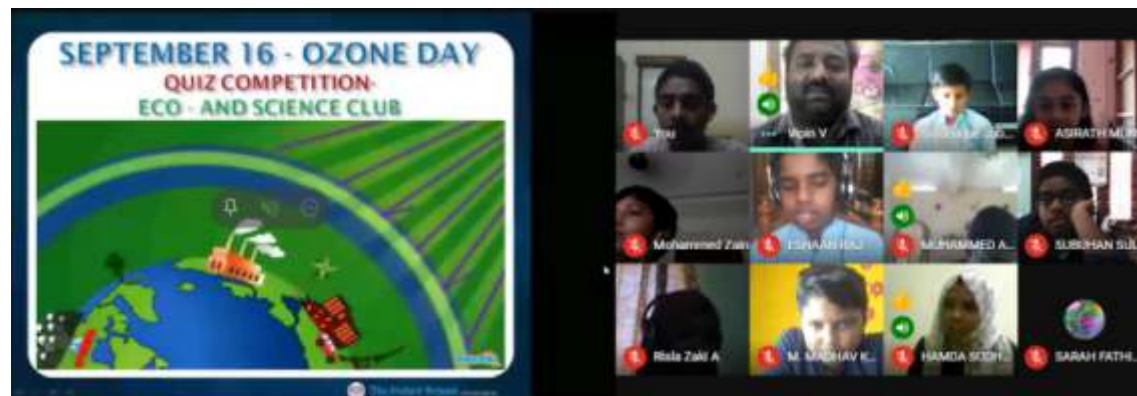


World Ozone Day or International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer 2020 was observed on 16 September to broaden consciousness amid citizens on the subject of the depletion of the Ozone Layer and explore promising solutions to safeguard it. Students were made aware of the importance of preserving the

ozone layer.

Even though it was online, the students were very passionate and prepared beautiful charts depicting drawings of the ozone layer depletion, PPTs concerned with ozone layers, and videos related to the same. Moreover, an online quiz competition was carried out to

test and energize the acquaintance of the students regarding the day. All together, it was a resourceful and remarkable meeting which sensitized the Students and made them appreciate the significance of the condition.





Investiture Ceremony

PARENTS HONOUR STUDENT LEADERS

The Investiture Ceremony of the Student Council for the academic year 2020-21 of The Oxford School Trivandrum was held virtually on 7th September 2020 Monday. The chief guest for the event was Mr. Rakesh, Circle Inspector Fort Police Station Trivandrum. The event was presided over by Dr. Abdul Salam, Principal of The Oxford School. Adithya Krishna of XI AB(Head Boy), Parvathy Jayakumar of XII C(Head Girl), Siddeeqe Jubair VIII A(Deputy Head Boy), Shreya Santhosh of IX A(Deputy Head Girl),



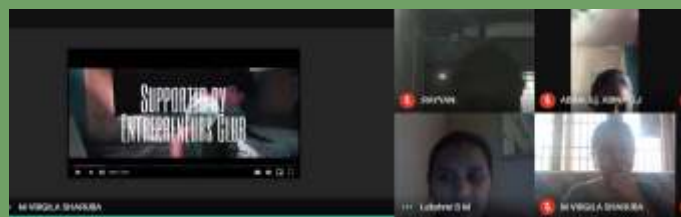
Aminath Shaha of XII AB(Arts Captain), Arun Madhavan of XI C(Sports Captain) virtually received the badges. Parents also played an integral role in the swearing in ceremony where they handed over the responsibility of leadership to their wards by giving away the sashes of their respective leadership positions.

FEED THE HUNGRY - OXFORDIANS FILM HUNGER



OCTOBER 17
INTERNATIONAL
DAY FOR THE
ERADICATION OF
POVERTY

On 18 October 2020, grade 9-12 students conducted an thought-provoking programme in connection with International Poverty Eradication Day. The members of the Entrepreneur's Club set a new milestone. True to the club's vision the members launched their maiden short film " Bhooq", an initiative taken by Mohammed Shadid, Irfaan, Amaan Shanavas and Syed Assain of 11 C which was based



on the theme "International Poverty Eradication Day". Their venture was a plea to the Government and also to other NGOs to support the unheard voices.

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(International Dimension in Schools—British Council)

TOST IN THE FINAL STAGE OF IDS



International Dimension in Schools supports schools that have shown a commitment to embedding international awareness and global citizenship within their

activity is to identify the coins and currencies of different countries along with their denominations. Coins and currencies of different countries were collected and a digital

exhibition of currencies of different countries



class and school. IDS provides a framework for schools to develop international activities collaboratively.

Hands on and minds on Learning on International Coins and Currencies

IDS team one conducted the in-house activities with the topic Coins and Currencies involving grade 1 and 2 students related with the curricular topic Money. The primary aim of this

es was conducted. Evaluation method of e-exhibition was used to assess the student learning. Students were able to appreciate coins and currencies along with the sources to earn money as they compared the value of different currencies and the importance of work life. After the activity, students understood the different currencies around the

world and identified different professions around the world.

Experiential Learning- Healthy food and Wellbeing

Team two conducted an in-house activity on the topic 'Healthy food and Wellbeing for grade 5 and 6 students associated with the curricular topic 'Health is Wealth'. The foremost aim of the activity was to recognize the cultural differences and food habits of India, UAE, and Maldives, also to investigate the healthier way of food and diet for being in utmost fitness. Students could distinguish different food habits. English was taken as a core subject and the curricular topic was 'Health is wealth. Based on this an Online Poetry Writing competition on the topic 'My Yummy plate' and an E slogan writing on the topic 'Healthy food v/s Junk food' was conducted. They also got an online platform to be a part of the live streaming of Yoga.

Impacts of deforestation- students alerted

Team 3 conducted an online essay writing competition on the topic 'Impacts of deforestation'. It was conducted on 3-11-2020 as part of IDS and the duration of the competition was from 12:10 pm. to 1:00 pm. An online digital painting



competition was held on 6-11-2020 with around 22 participants from grade 6, 7 and 8. The theme of the digital painting competition was Forest conservation.



WORLD HEART DAY

World Heart Day which is celebrated on September 29 every year is the world's biggest platform for raising awareness about cardiovascular disease, including heart disease and stroke among all ages.

On that note, World Heart Day was observed by the Middle section of The Oxford School. The significance of being in fine health by leading a healthy and energetic life was reinforced. The section conducted Special online Assemblies. Children illustrated the messages through posters, and delivered speech online. They were also explained to be sensitive towards the feelings of others and not break any one's heart with rude behaviour and actions.

FLIPPED CLASSES ENHANCE OXFORDIANS' SELF-LEARNING.

A large majority of the students took advantage of the Covid19 situation and involved in self-learning practices. The school encouraged it further by providing flipped classes wherein they transacted the curriculum content with their peers under the guidance of their teachers. Flipped classes enabled them to realise the Learning Outcomes and led them to reflect on their learning. Students from even lower grades were seen taking classes for others which

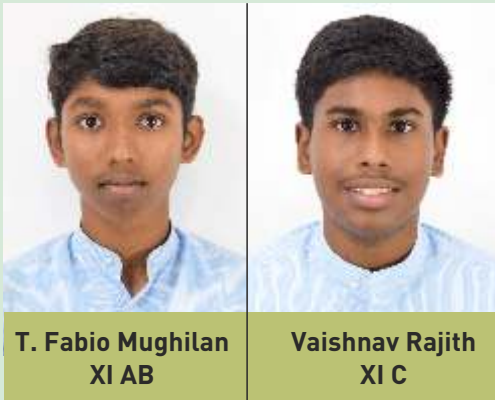


indeed enhanced their confidence, communication skills through collaboration and boosted up their Digital Literacy. Students sat down to prepare for teaching the next day on the assigned topics and transacted the content well with their peers through PowerPoint presentations and other tools.



SHEILA VERMA MEMORIAL COMPETITION - 2020-21

The Oxford School Trivandrum participated in the grand Pan India Inter School Competition – the Sheila Verma Memorial Competition 2020 (SVMC).



T. Fabio Mughilan
XI AB

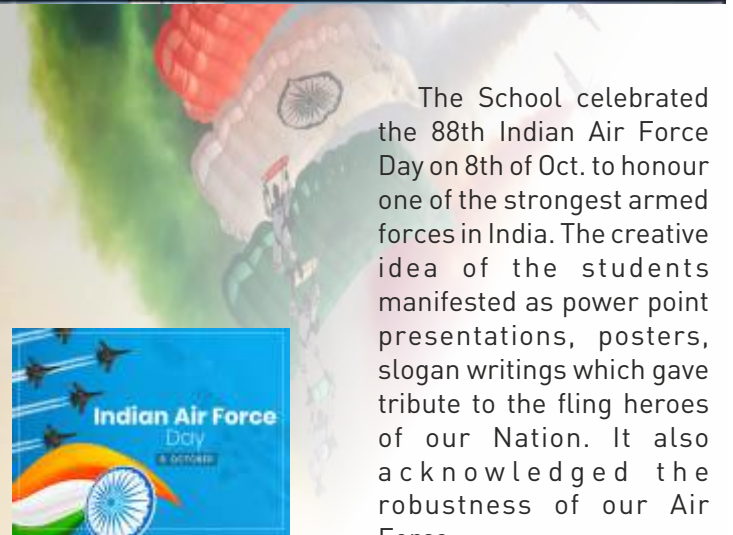
Vaishnav Rajith
XI C

With focus on integrated learning, the events were anchored in a particular manner to sensitize the young generation on preserving the rich and momentous legacy of such stalwarts who become legends during their own lifetime. This year, during the unprecedented COVID-19 crisis, all events were held online around the spirit and heritage of confronting the challenges – 'NEVER CALLING IT QUITS'.

The students of the Oxford School Trivandrum School participated in 13 events. The Live Events were held Online on Saturday, 17th October 2020.

The multi-skilled and talented scholars of The Oxford School Trivandrum demonstrated their abundant attitude and aptitude in winning second place, for COGNALYSIS Competition with the Theme - Unlimited Horizons Endless Possibilities. The grade 11 students of The Oxford School compiled and presented through a Video submission including the narration and superimposed videos of the participants and uploaded the same on YouTube.

DEDICATE YOURSELF TO THE NATION



The School celebrated the 88th Indian Air Force Day on 8th of Oct. to honour one of the strongest armed forces in India. The creative idea of the students manifested as power point presentations, posters, slogan writings which gave tribute to the fling heroes of our Nation. It also acknowledged the robustness of our Air Force.

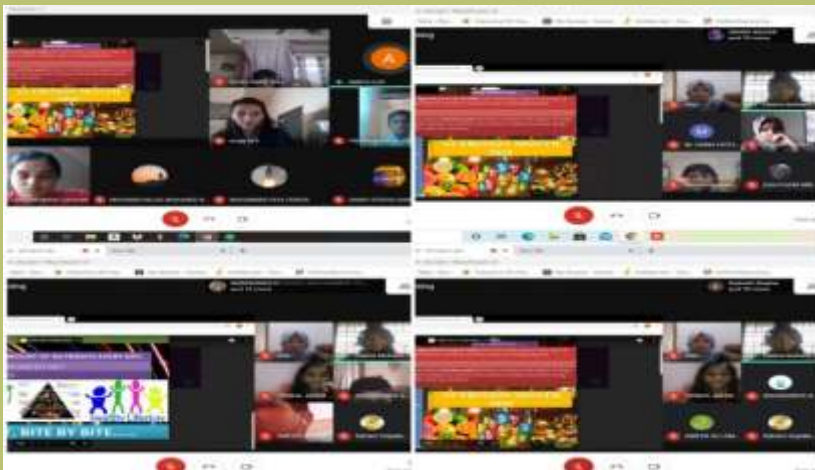


NATIONAL NUTRITION MONTH

National Nutrition Month was celebrated in the month of September 2020 as announced by Prime Minister Narendra Modi. During his monthly radio broadcast he announced this September as Poshan Maah or Nutrition Month to spread awareness about nutritional needs and deficiencies.

Nutrition month was celebrated through the special assembly conducted by the students in all classes on the online platform. Students from various classes presented PPT, Posters, Slogan, Speech, videos and conducted Quiz related to the topic.

As a part of Nutrition Month Department of



Home science gave a project for students of class 5 and 6 regarding the topic "Comparative study on cultural differences and food habits of UAE, India, Maldives".

Students from class 11th and 12th of Home Science gave a talk on Nutrition Month for all classes from 7th to 10th. Also conducted a cookery contest on "Healthy snack" for the students of 11th and 12th.

RESPECT THE GIRL, SAVE THE GIRL CHILD.

On 12th October the AEP club of the Oxford School observed the International Day of the Girl in an online assembly from grade 1 to

Padhao' which resonated the zeal of girls from all walks of life who are boldly demanding action against discrimination, violence and poor learning opportunities.



12 under the theme "My Voice, Our Equal Future". In the very morning at '8' the word was spreaded 'Beti Bachao, Beti

All grades of the school presented videos and positive messages as part of motivation to adolescent girls to break the barriers and catch their dreams. As a top notch the principal of the school Dr. Abdul Salam added his motivational words to empower the spirit of the day.



The World Alzheimer's Day was observed on 21st of September. The theme for this year is 'Let's talk about dementia'. Through powerpoint presentations and poster making the oxfordians have raised awareness and challenged the stigma that surrounds dementia and also they highlighted the issues faced by people affected by dementia. Also acknowledged the opportunity for people and organisations to demonstrate how we can overcome these issues and help people live well with dementia.