



JML^{Letter}

The official Newsletter of Jasudben ML School and Bloomingdales Pre-Primary



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SPOTLIGHT

Jayden Dmello and **Saanika Gaur** represented Maharashtra State in the National Shooting Competition Finals of CISCE in Bangalore in U/17 and U/19 categories respectively. Both secured the highest scores in the state defeating competent opponents to reach the finals. The school wishes both Jayden and Saanika continued success!



CISCE NATIONAL SHOOTING COMPETITION





SCHOOL EVENTS



ANIMAL WORLD

The school welcomed two therapy dogs, a pet cat, and a horse to enliven the study of domestic animals and pets. Playschool and Nursery blooms of our school got first-hand experience on how to care for their pets and learn more about domestic animals. One can imagine how excited the students were to meet the fluffy animals. This

fun learning experience ensured that they retained this information for a long time to come!!

KIND-HEARTED KINDERGARTENERS



As part of Joy of Giving Week students of the Sr. KG followed through with their heartfelt generosity and demonstrated kindness towards the differently abled children of Lions Juhu Centre for Children in Need of Special Care located on our campus, by practising benevolence through donations and compassion by visiting the school, and bringing along with them a basket full of cupcakes to brighten their day. They provided them with textbooks to aid their journey through education and to ensure that they enjoy an equal opportunity to succeed. Students of Playschool and Nursery donated art supplies to Advitya school while our Jr. KG. students donated art materials to a school run by the YMCA thereby bringing a little colour into the lives of these students as well.



"FIRE BURNING!! RUN RUN RUN!"



Sr.KG students got to witness the face behind the sirens they might have heard on the streets of the city or their favourite cartoon channel, Cocomelon - the Firefighters. Bandra West Fire station opened its doors to the curious minds and exploring hands of our little pre-schoolers. They traversed topics from firefighting gear to safety precautions taken during an outbreak. The children seemed to come out thrilled and better informed about fire safety.

JANMASHTAMI



Janmashtami is a festival celebrating the birth (janma) of Lord Krishna. This festival was celebrated with great vigour and enthusiasm in our school. The students of the primary section were dressed in brightly coloured and elegant attires. The main event of the celebrations had to be the Dahi handi. Within no time, a few teachers from the Primary section formed a pyramid with a student at the very top to attempt breaking the pot full of candy.



GUJARATI UTSAV NI MASTI!

The celebration of the birth anniversary of the renowned poet and social reformer Sri Narmada Shankar Dave Ji who is also considered to be the founder of modern Gujarati literature was celebrated spectacularly by the students from grades I to IV.

Students learnt about the importance of this event through omnific initiatives taken by the teachers. Owing to their enthusiasm and their zestful attitude

towards the event accompanied by enactments, dances, singing of Gujarati songs and recitation of funny Gujarati poems, this event was truly one that would evoke numerous memories.

Ms Sheetal Oza, a Gujarati teacher in the Secondary section, secured the first position in Interschool Teachers Kavi Sammelan competition organised by Seth Dhanji Devshi Rashtriya Shala, Ghatkopar on Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav . Her enthralling performance saw her fly past 35 schools to be graciously and most deservedly awarded with a certificate, memento and a handsome cash prize.

VISIT TO NAB

“Your eyes show the strength of your soul.”

The eyes are the most essential body part and while we can enjoy their presence there are many who cannot. Showing empathy towards such people is on way

of supporting them. Grade 4 students, their teachers, and four parent volunteers visited the NAB at Worli on 16th September 2022. It was a day of learning and gratitude for all of them. The students got the opportunity to see the printing and binding of the braille books for blind children. A few of the children from the NAB interacted with our school children. They presented piano playing, reading the braille books, solving maths problems on the maths slate, songs and using the cane for the blind. Our students also put up some performances, including songs, poems, and storytelling. One of our students also took some chocolates for the students which she distributed.

The NAB teachers briefed our students about all the NAB activities and showed them a video. The students then saw the talking library for the blind, where all the recordings of books happened. How cool is that! Such interactions teach young minds to be open, and helpful and bring in their own ideas to today’s world!





ACK STORYTELLING COMPETITION

ACK or Amar Chitra Katha was an initiative started by Mr. Anant Pai, which teaches children moral values and makes them inquisitive about their cultural heritage simultaneously. Many students from the primary section put their best act forward when they participated in the **ACK Storytelling Competition** to narrate and recreate these stories on stage. With costumes, props, and voice modulations, the tiny tots adorned the stage and inspired all the audience members. The stories were based on ACK stories and Tinkle comics. The young storytellers left everyone awestruck with their stellar performances.

CULTURAL FEST

The classes of grade III were converted into a mini theatre and the students were given a chance to showcase their talents in depicting the various cultural aspects of the country. From preparing desi food, showcasing traditional dance styles, singing the songs that adorn our intricate culture, and speeches about our unique culture, the students put in tremendous effort and they definitely left everyone in awe!



MOOKH ABHINAY



Expressing emotions without speaking is generally quite challenging, but the students of grades V to VII were up to the challenge and showcased their capabilities of mime acting. What was impressive was how the

students displayed a fantabulous piece of mime despite their hectic schedules. The students put their best foot forward and learnt many moral values like sportsmanship, team coordination and hard work. It was just another spectacular event hosted by the Hindi Department of our school.



AAJ NUKKAD BOLEGA!

Aiming to convey important social messages to the youthful students of grades VIII to X, **“Nukkad Natak”** was a prominent event organised by the Hindi department of the school. The council members of the respective houses worked diligently and efficiently to train the students to put up a spectacular performance on stage. Winning and losing apart, the students received great exposure and learnt various skills such as teamwork, coordination, and dramatic nuances.



THE NUMBER CRUNCH



The Mathematics inter-house quiz conducted in the sub-junior (grades V and VI) and junior (grades VII and VIII) categories consisted of six rounds spanning over two days that culminated in a thrilling finale on Day 2. From cracking mathematical codes to solving problems in a trice, the sixteen finalists left the audience flabbergasted. It was an intense competition and a commendable initiative by the mathematics department. The participants answered questions from different areas of maths to claim the house title. Six rounds of stupendous questions baffled the students, in the end, two houses reigned supreme. Valmiki house won in the sub-junior category, and Aryabhata house won in the junior category.



SAND, SEA AND CLEAN - UP

On Gandhi Jayanti, the EVS Students of JML participated in a beach clean-up at Juhu Beach. The entire process taught students values which cannot be learnt at school. They learnt the meaning of Teamwork in its truest sense. From picking up the garbage to depositing it in the bin, each student had some role

to play.

Juhu Beach is one of the busiest beaches in Mumbai, and thousands of people visit it daily, which is why it also happens to be one the most polluted beaches.

SCI-FIRE!

On the 15th of September, the top performers of the elimination round of the Science quiz, having claimed their ticket to this grand finale, met on stage to finally declare the winning team. Four



students from each house across grades, IX and XII were ready to put their brains to the ultimate test. Across the seven rounds conducted, all the houses put in their premier effort to claim the trophy and register a few points for their respective houses. All the students had a treat in store for them who were challenged with mind-boggling and electrifying questions. However, each of the four houses put in an extravagant performance and successfully brought this memorable event to a close. The first place was awarded to Aryabhatta house and Bhaskar house was the first runner-up.



WE ARE LIVE IN 5,4,3.....

NIOS students visited the Andheri W office of NEWS24 Channel. They got all the insights into news shooting from live shows to multiple cameras uses to back office work. Students were thrilled to learn and witness the work that goes into a news broadcast. The outing culminated with some

pet puja and tokens of love from the news team!!

JML STARS



Krish Sobti

Students of JML made the school proud once again with their terrific performance at the boards. The pandemic didn't dampen the drive and the hard work put in by the students and supported by the teachers resulting in students like Krish Sobti topping ISC with 98.75% and Aarav Kothari in the ICSE with 98.50%.



Aarav Kothari

STEAM

The STEAM Exhibition was held on 19th July to celebrate the birthday of the famous Indian Astrophysicist Padma Vibhushan Dr. Jayant Narlikar. It was an



exhibition in which Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics were presented in captivating and experimental ways. Art was also integrated to enhance the aesthetics. The STEAM Exhibition was open to students of grades I to XII with almost 700 students who participated enthusiastically under the able guidance of innovative teachers. The children had fun and the parents' response was amazing, they were enthralled by all the exhibits in the classrooms.



INDEPENDENCE DAY

The valiant lives of our freedom fighters and the hard-fought independence were commemorated on Independence Day with the hoisting of the National Flag and singing of the National Anthem. Our Principal, Mrs Damayanti Bhattacharya, along with Student Council Head, Mehek Nagpal reminded us about the significance of the 76th Independence Day and our roles in this context. Children of grades 3, 4 and 5 prepared dances and patriotic songs which had melodious tunes. They also performed skits to raise awareness on social issues like



abortion of girl child and dowry.

Earlier that week our Pre Primary students gathered in the Quadrangle to express their patriotism towards India. They commenced the occasion by singing the National Anthem and saluting the flag. Their tri-coloured attire danced in the wind as they displayed their stunning dance skills to tunes such as Vande Mataram. They concluded their frolicsome day by enjoying delicious Indian delicacies.

A WELL DESERVED BREAK



A break from their brisk schedules was awarded to the teachers on the 5th of September - and the senior students of grade X took over the classes, making the students play games and have fun. Simultaneously, a plethora of spectacular performances

adorned the auditorium stage - and the students showcased their passion towards education and gratefulness towards their teachers through various performances like singing, dancing, etc. The teachers relaxed and enjoyed these performances, and the students, especially from the senior school, took home innumerable memories that would reside in their hearts forever!



GANPATI BAPPA MORYA!

One could feel the festive atmosphere in the quadrangle as the students celebrated the Ganesh festival. The festivities began with the two comperes dressed as Lord Ganesh and Mushak explaining the significance of the festival and the

importance of eco-friendly ways to celebrate. This was followed with a few 2nd graders singing a song to Lord Ganesh, thereafter students of grades 5,6,& 7 danced in front of the deity while also dramatising the visarjan procession. No Ganesh celebration would be complete without dancing to the dhol, a few primary students also performed a Lezim dance to the rhythm of the dhol in true visarjan style. The celebrations ended with the students chanting " Ganpati Bappa Morya... Morya..Mangal murti Morya...Pudchyavarshi laukar yaa". The celebrations truly brought on a feeling of devotion, creativity, understanding and learning for all present.

THE ESSENTIAL ELDERLY

Grandparents are a family's greatest treasure, the founders of a loving legacy, the greatest storytellers and the keepers of traditions. The primary staff and students



of Jasudben M.L. School celebrated and honoured them on 12th September 2022. The grandparents showed their love for their grandchildren by putting up spectacular performances of bhajans and other songs, dances, Yoga Asanas, and poems, narrating stories, sharing hilarious jokes and teaching them how to prepare delicious, quick and easy snacks. Their grandchildren were then called on the stage to present a letter of appreciation to them for being a part of this wonderful event. Our Pre-Primary too invited a few grandparents to the Jr and Sr. KG classes to narrate stories, sing songs, and perform magic tricks for the students. Children of Playschool and Nursery had to bring a grandparent to school to participate in the fun activities and games planned by the teachers. The Grandparents day celebration was a memorable one not only for the staff and students but also for the grandparents, who departed with pleasant memories, loads of appreciation and heaps of blessings for the school and its management.



CAREER CALLING!!

Jasudben M.L. School recently organised an incredible career festival which gave the students of our school a golden opportunity to converse with representatives of renowned colleges and universities scattered around the globe.

The festival boasted a wide range of universities from Arizona State to Atlas SkillTech. The event received a terrific response with over 200 inquisitive participants.

LAURELS GALORE!

September saw JML celebrate and honour the stellar academic performances of the ICSE and ISC students for the academic year 2020-2021 and 2021-2022.



The ceremony commenced with prayers and the auspicious lighting of the lamp. Ms Diana Marfatia, the Principal of Ava Bai Petit and chief guest of the event, addressed powerful words to enlighten the youth. Furthermore, the school bestowed prizes to recognise the arduous efforts of the students in various fields from academics to performing arts and sports.

AYE HAALO!



Jasudben M.L. School continued its distinguished tradition of celebrating its one-of-a-kind Navratri Utsav for the students of grades V to XII on the school premises. Students adorned the Quadrangle with their cholis and kedias of innumerable colours and started this zestful event with the 'Aarti'. It was an outstanding

experience for the students, and adding to their vigour and zeal were the surprise prizes given out to them on several parameters. The fun-filled evening ended with everyone taking home sublime memories of grooving to the rhythmic music.

The Primary students too celebrated this occasion in the school auditorium beginning their festivities with the 'Aarti', offering prayers



and seeking blessings and the protection of everyone from evil. In their classrooms, the students made colourful dandiya sticks using waste paper, newspaper, paints, decorations etc. The students were awarded prizes for being the best dressed and also for being the best dancer. Our Pre-Primary too celebrated with the teachers performing the 'Aarti' and then the students and teachers danced to the beats of Dandiya.

ALUMNI ADVICE

What is cybercrime? Cybercrime is a criminal activity that either targets or uses a computer, a computer network or a networked device. Most cybercrimes are committed by cyber-criminals or hackers who want to make easy money. However, occasionally cybercrime aims to damage computers or networks for reasons other than profit. To enlighten us more on this, Aishwarya Dongre, an IPS officer, and an ex-student of this very

school spoke about the devastating effects of cybercrime on victims by citing examples from different cases she has received over the years.



FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

Our Pre-Primary students celebrated the festival of lights with their teachers putting up a short skit on the positive ways to celebrate the festival and the negative effects of fireworks reiterating that the festival can be celebrated without harming the environment. At the same time our Primary students enjoyed some

Diwali crafts like Toran and Diya making and also a potluck lunch in their classes.

With the thought towards spreading some warmth and joy, our students participated in a **Toy Donation Drive** "The greatest good we do is what we do for one another." Sharing is indeed caring. It is with this value in mind, the students of Jasudben M.L School bid adieu to our toys. The toy donation was for Hamleys, one of the oldest and largest toy shops. All the collected toys will be handed over to St. Jude India Child Care, a not-for-profit organisation in India and Reliance Foundation, an Indian non-profit organisation which was founded in 2010 by Mukesh Ambani.



Saree Donation - Diwali, a festival which is known for its lights, sweets, crackers and fun is also a festival of giving. To continue with the tradition of sharing, caring and giving our school has joined hands with Nazareth Foundation to donate gently used, pre-loved sarees. The collected sarees which belonged to our mothers, grandmothers or anybody we know were handed over to the Nazareth Foundation an NGO that works towards women's empowerment through a project for the tribal women of Aarey.

SPORTS EVENTS

THROW THE BALL OF VICTORY

“Service” marked the start of Inter house Throwball competition of the boys and girls of the Jasudben M.L. School. Those two years of the pandemic may have put a damper or appeared to have taken the skill, vigour and zeal away but it was only a couple of minutes later



when everybody realised that it was just the beginning of a thrilling tournament. Agastya proved its dominance over the other houses throughout the tournament. Not just the senior section of the school was competing, but even the juniors and sub-juniors had something to put on the table for their respective houses. In all, the tournament was a success, kudos to all the coordinators and teachers involved.



FOOTBALL FRENZY!!

It was a supercharged morning at the Podar Ground where our players dressed in their house jerseys had assembled for the thrilling matches awaiting them. The referee’s whistle blew and the magnificent tournament began. All the houses put their best foot forward to win the game however, Aryabhata found its path to victory and claimed the



trophy - a token which proved their dominance and skill once again. All the hard work really paid off!

HEAVE HO!

Jasudben M.L. School's annual tug-of-war tournament pit houses against each other in a fierce scramble for victory. The teams were locked in a fervent battle as they tried to best their opponents through sheer strength and sportsmanship. It was an impassioned clash, a real struggle, an intense contest for supremacy!



INTER - SCHOOL EVENTS



radiated a euphoric aura as the students enjoyed the Queen tracks played by the Bombay Scottish rock band. The sensational arts performed at the St. Andrew's Auditorium bolstered JML to secure 3rd place.

PERSEVERANTIA 2022

The marvellous cultural fest hosted by the Bombay Scottish School Mahim was a breath of fresh air after the dreadful period of isolation due to the pandemic. The event offered countless opportunities for the students of JML to showcase their phenomenal talents. The festival



AIMS DECLAMATION

Aarya Sethia grade XI Humanities was declared Regional Finalist in the AISM Declamation Competition 2022 in the senior category. She presented Oprah Winfrey's 2013 Harvard Alumni Association Speech. Her confident presentation saw her go ahead to secure the first position in the region. She represented Maharashtra in the All India Finals held in Lucknow. Kudos Aarya!! Way to go!



YOUR NEXT QUESTION IS....

Our school was the proud host of ASISC Regional Quiz Competition. Ami Goradia, a veteran Quiz master, conducted this inter-school quiz. Around 85 schools across Maharashtra participated in the event. Through various elimination rounds, the final four teams were selected for sub-junior, junior and senior levels. The

event was thrilling till the last minute with the finalists being on tenterhooks to emerge victorious.

UTSAV PYAARA HINDI KA

Jasudben M.L. School hosted the 'Hindi Utsav' an inter-school Hindi Competition which saw more than 20 schools participate in this ecstatic event. With many unique competitions including Rangoli making, Spoof advertisement and Poetry recitation, this event was truly one that would be drilled into their memory. The exposure and experience gained by the students during this event truly highlighted the fact that 'participation is more important than success. The event was highly successful. It was yet another job well done by the teachers of the Hindi Department and everyone who participated, worked, and





helped to make this event prestigious enough to remain in the hearts of our school forever. This event also garnered coverage on the NEWS24 channel.

PSYCHEXPLORE 2022



St. Andrew's Psychology Department held an enthralling festival with numerous contests about the intriguing psychology of the human mind entitled 'Psychexplore - 2022'. Aditya Manik of class XII along with Hiren Bajaj, Jay Pereira, Rumi Hinduja and Samika Shinde put up a fabulous play revolving around the turbulent teenage years. The

dedicated students built the play from scratch, which included the composition of some spectacular musical numbers. Their play shed light on the myriad of hurdles parents face as their child's teenage years tick by. They came out triumphant, winning 2nd place and taking home splendid memories.

ROCHAK

Christ Church School, Byculla, brought back their Inter School Hindi Competition, 'Rochak', with a bang. JMLites did us proud by winning several events like - dialogue writing, poster making, folk dance, Hindi skit, Hindi elocution, an exhibition of our 75th independence day, and a personality contest to name a few.



IIMUN



India is an extensive and developing country, though highly underrated. Indian history from the times of the Mahabharata and Ramayana has been highly neglected. However, Amish Tripathi, an



exceptional writer addressed the youthful generation and gave an eye-opening speech which drastically changed the opinion of the youth on Indian history. He uncovers the truth about India being the origin of the Pythagoras Theorem, the Fibonacci Series, and innumerable other such theories. His books revolve around the valuable history of India, and stories to educate and inspire individuals, and he speaks about how we should respect our unique treasured cultures.



ZENITH 2022

On the 18th and 19th of October, more than 110 students from grades IX-XII participated in ZENITH an inter-school festival. The events ranged from performing arts, visual arts, music, movies, sports and much more. They did us proud by winning 31 events out of the 57 they participated in, thus ensuring that JML ranked No. 2.

UPCOMING EVENTS

CHILDRENS' DAY

- 14th November
- All Sections



SPORTS DAY

- Heats - 17th November
- Finals - 18th November
- Primary, Secondary, NIOS & ISC





FOUNDERS' WEEK

- 19th to 23rd December
- All Sections



WATCH OUT FOR

- Indian MUNa
- C'est La Vie
- Literature Festival

EDITORIAL TEAM

Aarav Gupta-IX C
Aaryan Vyas - IX C
Aditya Manik - XII Science
Aneri Vyas - XI Commerce
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Divya Madhavan - IX C
Jiya Punjabi - IX B
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Piya Bhagchandani - IX B