



PRISM

An insight into activities organised from July to September 2023
(KG and Primary Wing)

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Imparting
inclusive education
with moral values
since 1961



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Dear Parents

“Education is the passport to future; For tomorrow belongs to those who prepare themselves today.” Malcolm X

And that is what today's education should be all about. We need to educate our students in such a way that we equip them for tomorrow. We need to take the curriculum beyond the books, to training them in exercises of life skills so that when our students move into the world, they are mentally, emotionally and socially ready to take up the challenges of life. The world is fast changing and the use of Artificial Intelligence into education is going to change the scenario in the near future. What holds meaning today will become obsolete tomorrow. We, as educators, are trying to prepare

our children for the unknown so that they are able to create a place for themselves in future. Besides equipping them for new career opportunities, we also need to give them a strong value system so that they are able to withstand the test of time. Each child is gifted with a lot of potential and we at St Joseph's are nurturing that to the fullest by providing them platform to grow in every aspect.

I thank and congratulate the staff of the Institution for putting in their hundred percent efforts in grooming the students. We thank Mrs Meesha Gupta for her hard work, creativity and efforts in bringing out this second issue of the e magazine.

Sr Ophilia Lobo
Principal

James Clear quotes, "Habits are the compound interest of self-improvement."

St Joseph's focuses on building healthy habits among the toddlers from the day they step in the school. The activities are curated to enhance their skills in scholastic as well as non-scholastic areas. We aspire to discover and strengthen hidden talents lying dormant in the children.

The school management and staff members strive to provide

an ideal environment for each child to blossom into fine flowers.



Sr Helima
KG Headmistress

St Joseph's aims to empower children such that they act as representatives of a meaningful and value based society. The holistic and comprehensive pedagogy compliments our vision. Joyful experiential learning system encourages children to participate in classroom and beyond.

The administration, teaching and non-teaching staff displays commitment which keeps the ethos of our school shining

brightly. I congratulate the children for mass participation in all activities undertaken post summer break. May God bless your enthusiasm for learning.

Sr Nancy
Primary Headmistress



Dear Readers

Welcome to the second issue of 'Prism', an e-newsletter released quarterly. It entails myriad events organised in the school from July to September 2023. This newsletter will take you to a special journey. A journey which shall prove to be de-ja-vu.



The newsletter embraces children contesting in several competitions, shrugging shyness to participate in multiple activities, leaving their comfort zone for exploring a new world with teachers, collaborating with mates to present a stage show, winning championships outside the school campus and widening their horizon by listening to experienced personalities.

St Joseph's Convent School, Bathinda provides incalculable opportunities to the students to experiment, learn and grow holistically. Our students are trained to think out of the box, raise questions, learn intangible lessons from their failures, and practice moral values while staying at par with today's world.

The school has been contributing to the society since 1961 and continues to tread on the same path.

Meesha Gupta
Editor





THANKS GIVING PRAYER



Servant of God, Father RFC Mascarenhas is the founder of the Bethany Congregation. On 103rd Foundation Day of the congregation, a thanksgiving prayer was offered by Sr Helima, LKG students and teachers. This strengthened the core value of 'God Experience' among the children.



VEGETABLE PRINTING



The tiny tots of LKG enhanced fine motor skills through vegetable printing activity. They dipped vegetables in water colour and printed them on a chart paper. The activity induced vivid paintings while also encouraging the students to swap junk with healthy food.

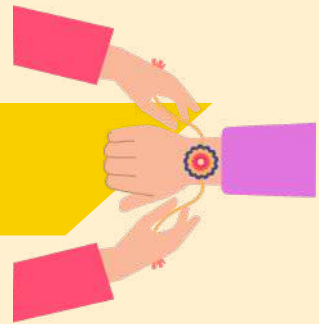


RAKHI PASTING



To imbibe Indian culture during the formative years, LKG students were introduced to Rakhi Pasting activity. Children were apprised with the practice of tying *rakhi* and its relevance. Josephites spread the message of peace and brotherhood through this frolic activity.

RAKHI MAKING



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Rakhi Making activity was organised for classes II and III. Students made vibrant rakhis using different articles like silk thread, ribbon, coloured stones etc. Their artisanship fascinated the beholders.



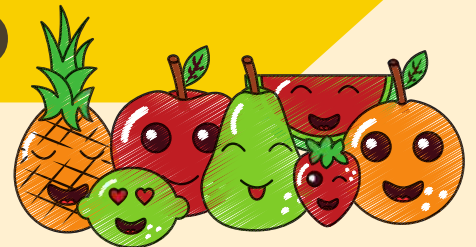
EARBUD PAINTING



Earbud Painting activity was conducted for the students of LKG. They used earbuds and watercolors to colour the numbers. The activity widened horizon of the children while enhancing their motor skills.

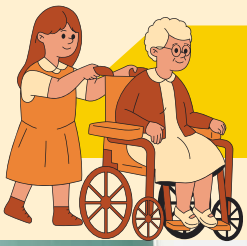


FRUIT SALAD



To revive the habit of adopting salad in meals, Fruit Salad activity was conducted for class LKG. Children brought variety of fruits in their tiffin boxes. With teacher's assistance, children prepared healthy fruit salad. Teachers elaborated the importance of eating fruits to maintain sound health. Children were also taught table manners.



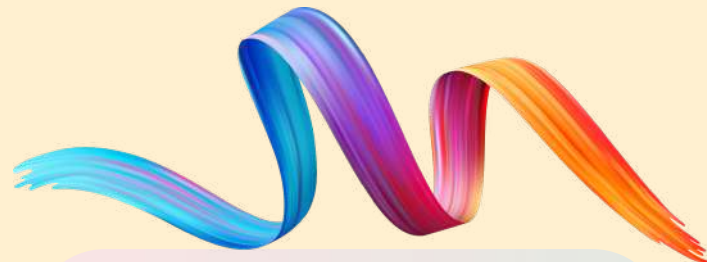


SHARING IS JOY



Children of UKG paid tribute to Father Founder RFC Mascarenhas through 'Sharing is Joy' activity. Children prepared a collage encapsulating their contributions in uplifting the less privileged ones.

THUMB PRINTING



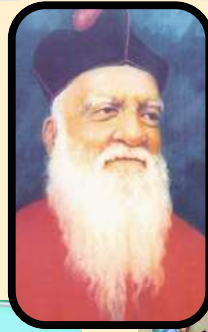
Thumb Printing activity was conducted for students of UKG. Children took delight in this messy activity and made thumb impressions on images of different shapes which turned into beautiful sceneries.



PICTURE PASTING

Picture Pasting activity related to Hindi letters was conducted for class UKG. This improved hand-eye coordination and recognition of letters in the children.

Under Picture Pasting activity for class I, children pasted photographs of Father RFC Mascarenhas and wrote core values of Bethany Educational Society.



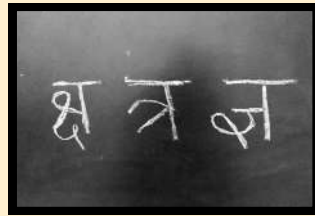
BUTTON PASTING



Button Pasting Craft activity was conducted for class UKG to celebrate 76 years of independence. The students pasted saffron and green coloured buttons on a chart paper to form the national flag. Teachers sensitised the children about importance of 15 August.



HINDI WORD LADDER

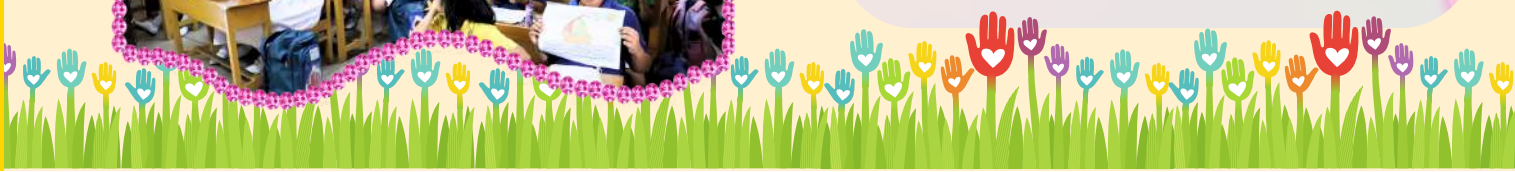


Hindi Word Ladder activity was conducted for class I. Students were provided a worksheet wherein they had to articulate a Hindi word beginning with the last letter of the previous word. This fostered children to put their thinking caps on.

ART ACTIVITY



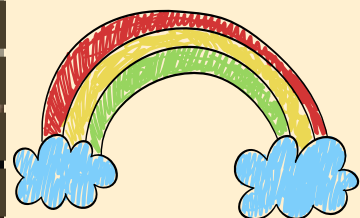
Art activity of landscape drawing was organised for class III. Children created intriguing and capturing sceneries using their imagination.



CAMPUS TOUR FOR CLASS I



"School is a building
which has
four walls with
tomorrow inside"



Principal's Office



Headmistress' Office



Library





PATRIOTIC SASH CRAFT



In wake of spreading nationalism, Patriotic Sash Craft activity was organised for class IV. Students brought material from home and designed stupendous tricolour sashes.



DOODLE ART



Dream Big

Doodle is thinking and creating at the same time. Doodle Art activity was organised for class IV wherein the students doodled their favourite strokes and colours.





Punjabi Newspaper Reading activity was organised for class V. This led to enhancement of general knowledge, reading and speaking skills.

POPSICLE STICK CRAFT

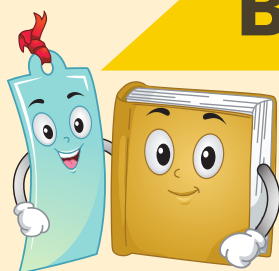


Popsicle Stick Craft activity was organised for class V. Students curated terrific bookmarks using popsicle sticks as the key element.





BOOKMARK MAKING



Bookmark competition was conducted for the students of UKG. Children prepared creative and colourful bookmarks. The activity aimed at developing fine motor skills among the taught.



SOLO DANCE



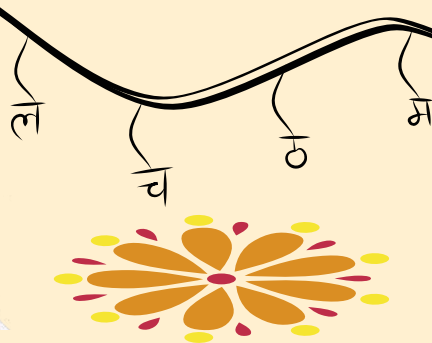
Solo Dance competition was organised for classes UKG and I. The extravaganza offered classical, traditional and western dance forms. Choreography, rhythm and presentation of all the participants were worth applauding.





Fancy Dress Competition with the theme 'Best out of Waste' was organised for class LKG. Students introduced themselves with a short description of their costume and materials used. Tiny tots aggrandized the practice of 4Rs via the activity.

HINDI CALLIGRAPHY



Hindi Calligraphy Competition was conducted for grade I with prime motive of inculcating neat handwriting of students. Children presented the content in various fonts while focusing on formation, size, space and neatness of the words.



RAKHI MAKING



Rakhi Making Competition was held for students of class I. All the students took part with zeal and prepared vibrant *rakhi*. The creativity of students left every onlooker astounded.



STORY TELLING

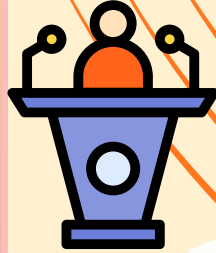


To enhance oratory skills in students of classes II and III, Story Telling competition was organised. Josephites presented their stories with props, impressive expressions and voice modulation.





Speech competition was organised for class IV to instil confidence in them. The competition elevated their skills of voice inflection, presentation and the art of grabbing listeners' attention.



SLOGAN WRITING



Slogan Writing competition was organised for the students of class III on the theme of 'Independence Day'. Students designed the slogans delightfully. The activity provided them a vent to express patriotism.





COLOURING

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Colouring sheet of the National Flag was provided to LKG children. Teachers elaborated the meaning of Independence Day and the National Flag. The activity concluded with the prayer, "May our tricolour always fly high."



PATRIOTIC SINGING



To escalate love for one's country, Interclass Patriotic Singing competition was organised for classes II, III and V. The children showcased their talent by singing to the melodious tunes and enacting on the same.



FOUNDATION DAY



SALUTE TO
103 years of
SERVICE

*Soul stirring
presentation by
KG Wing*



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Breathtaking
performances by

Classes LKG-E, UKG-E,
I-E and
Class IV



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TEACHERS' DAY

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T alented
E nthusiastic
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THANK
YOU



Trips provide experiential learning opportunities.



**Class II
and III**

AT

PATIALA



LET'S GO

ADVENTURE

School trips turn into an everlasting memory.



**Class IV at
Patiala**



**Class V at
Delhi**





TEACHERS' TRAINING



The conference on "10 Dispositions for Teachers after Summer Vacation" was held on 3 July 2023 with the aim to provide educators with valuable insights and strategies to enhance their teaching practice. Sr Grace Maria, the Manager of the school emphasised on the importance of nurturing resilience, cultivating empathy, building positive classroom culture, enhancing collaboration and communication skills. Sr Isabella Agnes, Financial Head and Sr J Nancy, Principal St Joseph's Convent Punjabi High School along with newly appointed staff members were welcomed to the portals of St Joseph's.

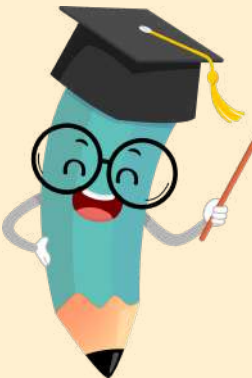


Teachers' orientation programme was held on 8 July 2023 by Father Nelson A D'Silva SJ, Vice President and Treasurer, Xavier Educational Association, Jaipur. Father inspired teachers to understand the reason for various temperaments, encouraged them for a positive mindset. He facilitated them to analyse and become aware of different patterns of behaviour through a questionnaire. Teachers were motivated to understand psychology of students.



WORKSHOP FOR TEACHERS

A workshop was organised for all the faculty members on the 'Sustainable Development Goals'. Ma'am Meeta Mohanty, the resource person briefed all seventeen SDGs through a PowerPoint presentation. During the workshop, the staff was divided into fifteen groups and each group presented an SDG productively.



**TEACH
LOVE
INSPIRE**

A workshop on English Grammar and teaching methodology was conducted for English teachers of classes I-VIII. The speaker, Ms Meeta Mohanty exemplified the use of worksheets to teach grammar topics creatively. Throughout the workshop, participants were engaged in interactive activities and discussions that fostered a deeper understanding of the English language.



To enlighten the teachers of KG and Primary classes, an orientation session was organised. A lively, enlightening and interactive session was conducted by Ms Ritika Grover, an Early Childhood Education Expert. The objective of the session was to form sound foundation for physical and motor development of children as per their potential. Teachers were divided in four groups and a topic was allotted to them for giving a presentation on integrated teaching, leading to holistic development of children.



CANCER AWARENESS



Foundation for Community Development and Health Care in India is a non profit organization. The resource person addressed the students during morning assembly and made students aware of the reasons for the spread of cancer and to have empathy for cancer patients. They also motivated students to donate generously to help in treatment of cancer patients.

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SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

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The changing global scenario demands a more inclusive participation of the younger generation. Mr Adarsh Kumar Singh and Mr Priyanshu Grover from Aspirant Learning conducted orientation on the importance of sustainable development goals and ways to achieve them. Students from VI to XII and the faculty members were apprised about the events and activities which will be organised at school in the month of November under SOLARIS SDG Summit. The orientation helped familiarise the staff with all seven events.



CHESS CHAMPION



Paavni Bindal of class IV-D participated in Bathinda District Chess Championship U9 Girls on 27 May and scored 3 points out of 5 rounds. She made the school proud by securing 1st position.

On 28 May, she bagged 2nd position by scoring 2 points in 5 rounds.

She further participated in Punjab State U19 Girls Chess Championship organised by District Sangrur on 24 June and 24 June and was awarded with a certificate of participation.



WINNERS OF CRICKET TOURNAMENT



Civil Lines Club, Bathinda had organised U12 cricket tournament.

The champions of the tournament are proud Josephites: Kunwar III-C, Manhar IV-A, Delansh IV-B, Savraj V-D, Bakshjot V-D, Tanush Bansal VII-C and Pritham VII-F.



DANCING DIVA



Anahat Kaur Sidhu of III-E participated in Bhangra cup 2023 held in Ludhiana and bagged first position.



CALLIGRAPHY COMPETITION



Aarohei Goel of class II-A participated in a Handwriting Competition organised by Kips Academy in Bathinda on 30 July 2023 and made us proud by securing 1st position.



Arnav Singla of class II-E made the school proud by securing consolation prize in handwriting competition held on 30 July in Bathinda. The competition was organised by Sharp Brains Education and Life Revolution Personality School. We wish him good luck and best wishes for his future endeavors.

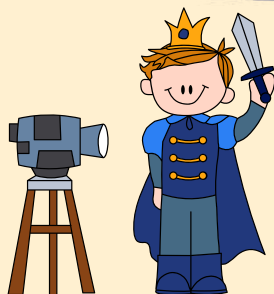


BUDDING ARTISTS

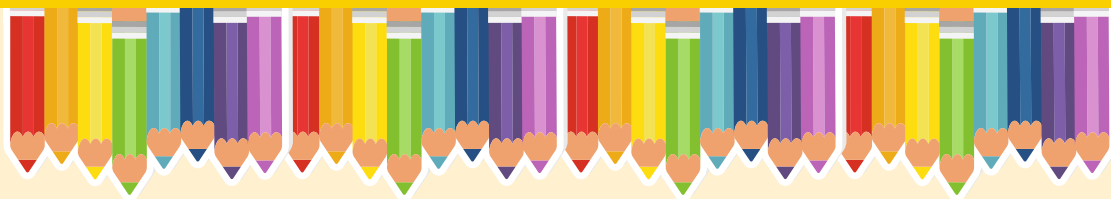


Sanvi Goel of Class IV-B and Shrish Goel of class II-A are Indian child artists. Sanvi won titles of Ms Bathinda and Ms Taj of Punjab in 2019. She endorsed Whatsapp and Flipkart in 2020. In 2022, she was advertised for 'Nand Ghar'. Alongside, she played a character in TV serial 'India Alert Maryada' which was aired on Dangal TV.

Shirish Goel deployed his dramatic skills in a TV serial named 'Hum Rahe Na Rahe Hum'. His work was telecasted on Sony TV.



ART WORKSHOP



Sardar Sobha Singh Memorial Chittarkar Society, Bathinda under the series 'Learn and Teach' organised a two day art workshop on 12 and 13 August 2023 at Teachers' Home, Bathinda. Students awarded certificates for active participation were Ishaan Bansal (II-D), Aashna Jindal (V-B), Ananya Bansal (VI-B) and Aariv Malhotra (VII-D).





THE GO-GETTER



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Shaurya Sharma of class V-C participated in Bhisiana Dumkers Basketball Tournament on 28 Aug 2023 and bagged first position. The tournament was organised by Air Force Families Welfare Association (L) 34 Wing.



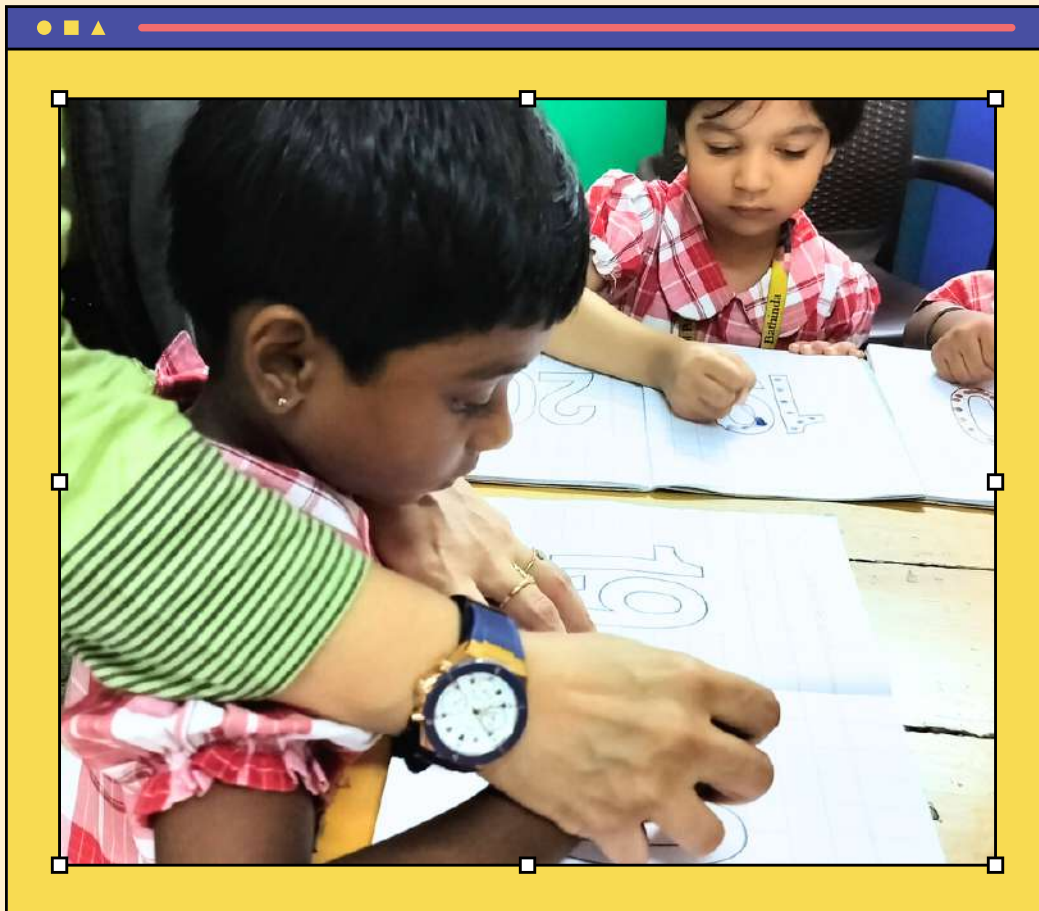
TAEKWONDO CHAMPIONSHIP

At the 7th Kyurogi and 6th Poomsae District Taekwondo Championship, Josephites from the primary wing displayed exceptional talent and determination. This prestigious event took place on September 2nd and 3rd at Mount Litera Zee School, Bathinda. The young participants exhibited their skills and brought home several medals, making the school proud of their remarkable achievements.





PRISM



In the journey from holding their hands to catapulting them in open sky, St Joseph's provides infinite opportunities to introspect and uncover ones hidden potential.

