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FOUNDER'S DAY

Founder's Day is celebrated every year on the 18th of February. The sole aim of our founding fathers was to educate and thus we spend the day showcasing all the knowledge and skill that we have acquired. Until a couple of years ago, all the students would display their best projects in their class itself. But recently, there has been a changing trend. Subject rooms display their best projects from groups of classes. Group projects encourage the students to work as a team, instilling leadership qualities and encouraging the participation of one and all. The competitive spirit in them to make their rooms the best, makes them strive hard, thus making the event a grand success. The diligent students are backed by extremely helpful teachers who supply the students with enriching ideas.

Weeks of hard work also involve a lot of ideas and thinking and channeling those thoughts into their current forms while setting them up in an attractive and presentable manner.

Neither is style without substance nor is substance without style of any worth. Founder's Day has taught the students to strike a balance between the two.

VALEDICTORY CEREMONY

The valedictory ceremony is a closing or a farewell service delivered at School sometime before the ICSE batch take their exams. This year it was held on the 10th of February, 2015.

The ceremony began with a special assembly and concluded with a heartwarming speech by outgoing School Captain, Amay Mehrishi. The Principal later announced the names of the new Student Council for 2015-16. Ruhi Jain, newly elected School Captain, Dyuti Raghu, newly elected School Vice-Captain for Girls along with Shaan Bhatt, newly elected School Vice-Captain for Boys thanked our Principal, the Coordinators and Staff and also their friends for their support, while promising to discharge their duties faithfully. During the prayer service, the choir sang, lilting our hearts with gentle words.

After the prayer service, both the Principal and the Class teachers of Class 10 spoke to the students, motivating them. Aman Saraf, outgoing School Vice-Captain for Boys, gave a great demonstration of his oratory skills by delivering one final speech, giving us all heartfelt sobs when he quoted, 'Once a Scottishite, always a Scottishite.

-Pratiksha Padmanabhan/ Neil E.Minan (9B)

CLASH OF THE TITANS

On 9th and 10th February, a survey was conducted to get students' opinion on **'The subject that is given the most importance in School and the subject that should be given more importance**.' This survey was conducted across the primary as well as the secondary section.

At the end of the survey; **Mathematics** was undoubtedly the subject that was the most important. In the primary section, the students gave us some interesting reasons for choosing Math. They said that it was interesting, that it required a lot of practice, that it had a vast syllabus and Math had a huge relevance in day to day life.

Subjects given the most importance

- English
- Hindi
- S.S.
- Math
- Science
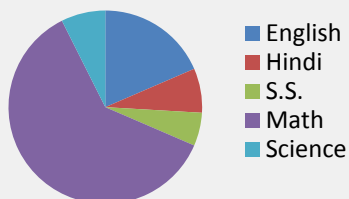
However, the students from the secondary section said that there are 6 periods a week dedicated to Math, which is more than any other subject. They said that Math was necessary for the competitive exams that they will eventually take part in.

But when it came to the subject that should be given more importance in school, the creative minds of the primary and secondary section chose **Art and SUPW**. They believe that Art and SUPW are really important subjects that are not given as much importance as they deserve. They mentioned that these are ''interesting subjects'' that can be pursued as hobbies. They also said that these subjects were taken very lightly by the students and not regarded highly. Pablo Picasso once said "Every child is an artist". The problem is how to maintain your creative and artistic traits even after we grow up.

Subjects that should be given more importance
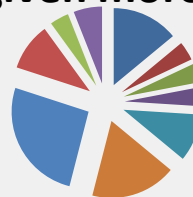
- English
- Hindi
- S.S.
- Math
- Science
- P.T./Swimming
- Art/SUPW
- G.K.

HOW TO CRACK THE ICSE EXAMS?

Keep your answers left **justified**

Write in points except in English papers

Read the question very **carefully**

Don't leave out any question

Check your answer sheet for errors

Don't rush, you will have plenty of time to finish the paper

Don't panic, you can't always know everything

Make sure your **words are properly spaced out**

Leave at least two lines before and after each question or sub-question

Number your answers correctly as per the numbering given on the question paper

Always draw a margin on the right side of the paper for the **rough work** in your Math exam

ICSE PREPARATION

Know the syllabus: Follow your class lessons clearly

Solve questions: Try and solve questions at the end of each topic

Maintain separate notes for each topic

Highlight important points

Always draw **diagrams** using a **pencil**

Always **write your full name,** index number and date on **all the supplementary sheets**

Plan your studies: Chalk out a time-table for board preparation

Know your strengths and weaknesses: Hone your strengths but do not ignore your weaknesses

Revise well: Revise what you have studied and glance at important notes and formulae

Keep fit: Eat healthy and take ample rest

--- **Aakanksha Gupta/ Sanyukta Mathure (9A)**

THINGS TO DO THIS SUMMER

BUCKET LIST: MOVIES

Save yourselves from boredom this summer. Use our Bucket Lists and it might prove to be a lifesaver…

INVICTUS is a sports drama, based on how South African President Nelson Mandela uses the South African Rugby team, the Springboks, to achieve his goal of uniting the racially divided country. (for ages 12 and up)

TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD is an adaptation of the Pulitzer Prize winning book written by Harper Lee of the same name. It deals with racial discrimination. (For ages 14 and up)

THE FAULT IN OUR STARS is based on the bestselling novel by John Green, that tells the story of Hazel Grace Lancaster, a lonely, lung cancer survivor who is fed up of a life full of ailments. (For ages 14 and up)

INTERSTELLAR is all about finding a new home for humanity. (For ages 14 and up)

BABY'S DAY OUT… even babies can have hair raising adventures…(for ages 4 and up)

KUNG FU PANDA has a beautiful, underlying message. If you identify your strength, you can conquer possibly anything. For its sheer simplicity and adorableness, this movie comes on my must watch list. (For ages 4 and up)

INCEPTION is one of the toughest movies to comprehend, as it is about manipulating dreams. (For ages 13 and up)

--Saachi Jain (9C)

BUCKET LIST: BOOKS

A book is a dream that you hold in your hand. This summer, let us all take a break from our gadgets, and keep ourselves busy with a gripping book.

Books recommended for students of classes K-2

- The Witch Next Door
- Madeline
- If You're Angry and You Know It
- Green Eggs and Ham

Books recommended for students of classes 3- 5:

- The Diary of a Wimpy Kid Series
- The Harry Potter Series
- Bridge to Terabithia
- The Secret Garden
- Where the Wild Things Are
- Charlotte's Web

Books for students of classes 6 & 7 :

- The Little Princess
- Anne of Green Gables
- Percy Jackson Series
- The Heroes of Olympus Series

Books suggested for students of classes 8-10:

- The Hunger Games Trilogy
- Books by P G Wodehouse
- The Alchemist
- Divergent
- The Book Thief
- King of Shadows   **---- Shriya Kale (9C)**
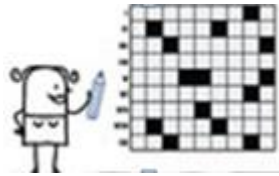
TIME TO UNWIND

Value of π

Baudhyan was the first person who calculated the value of π. As you know, π is useful for calculating the area and circumference of a circle. Pythagoras theorem is already found in Baudhyan's Shrauta Sutra, which was written several years before Pythagoras himself. Sequences associated with primitive Pythagorean Triples have been named Baudhyan sequences. These sequences have been used in cryptography as random sequences.
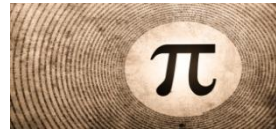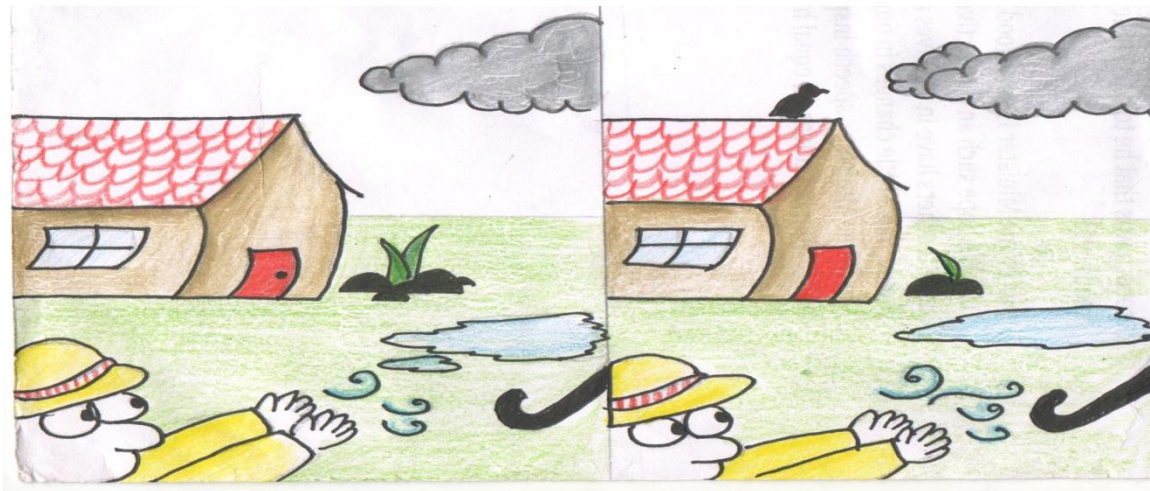
--- Angelina Kenny (9B)

JUST FOR LAUGHS

SPOT THE DIFFERENCES

--- Vanessa Varkey (9C)