



Loreto Convent

Asansol, West Bengal

SUSTAINERS

SESSION- 2020-2021



Principal's Message

It gives me a feeling of immeasurable joy and pride to release our Newsletter for the year 2020-2021, the portrait of the culmination of the activities and accomplishments of Loreto, Asansol.

2020-2021 was a year marked by distress, anxiety and trepidation. From battles on the frontline to social distancing measures, the year was indeed life changing.

Nurturing creativity and inspiring innovation are two of the key elements of a successful education. This keepsake is the perfect amalgamation of both and it aptly mirrors our covetous aspirations to create a wholesome holistic education. It is also an attempt to harness the creative energies of our student fraternity and distils the essence of their inspired imagination in the most brilliant way possible.

Loreto Asansol has always been at the forefront of educational and human development and we have established this platform on the pillars of justice, verity, love, compassion and understanding. It is a place where we have committed ourselves to the vision of Venerable Mary Ward, our foundress.

I do appreciate and applaud the editorial team for their successful completion of this tedious yet daunting task of putting together the myriad thoughts and dreams of our students into a meaningful and delightful visual fest in these unprecedented times.

Thank you and God bless you.

Jinny George
Principal

VISION – To nurture the physical, intellectual and aesthetic dimensions of the child in a stimulating environment while remain rooted in a strong value system. We believe in ingrain an integrity of character with compassion for the less fortunate and concern for the nature.

MISSION – We aspire to create an atmosphere in which the growth of each child's personality is enriched, facilitating every girl to become aware of her unique and God given talents. We believe in providing a congenial and reassuring atmosphere so as to enable the child to live, learn and imbibe a legacy.

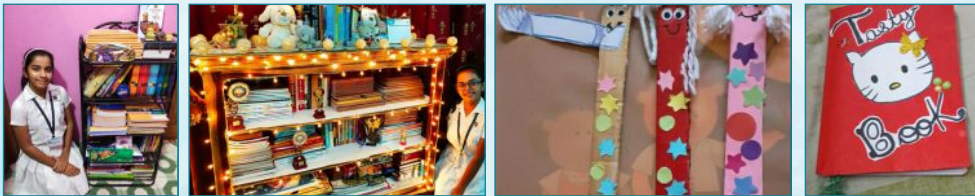


Earth Day Activity



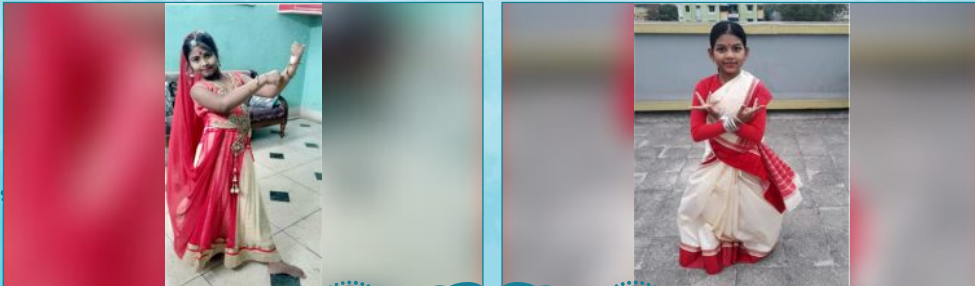
World Book and Copyright Day

World Book and Copyright Day was a day, our students got an opportunity to recognize the power of books and celebrate the joy of reading.



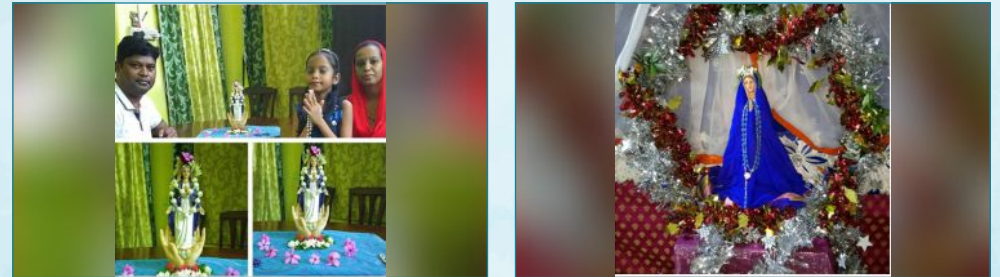
World Dance Day

World Dance Day was celebrated by the students with great zeal and zest.



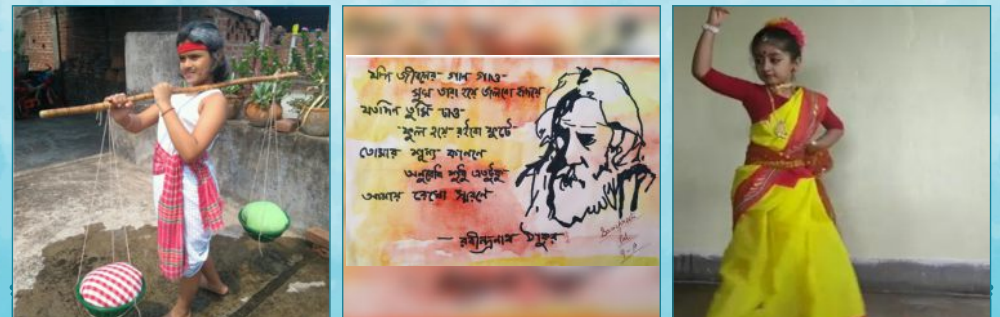
Crowning of Our Lady

The month of May is dedicated to our Mother Mary - The Patron of Loreto. So the Catholic Children of the Junior School expressed their love and devotion to Mary by reciting the rosary at home with their family. Their creative little hands made crowns, garlands of flowers and even decorated their altars at home. They remained safe in their homes and prayed fervently for the whole world to be cured of the deadly virus, Covid 19.



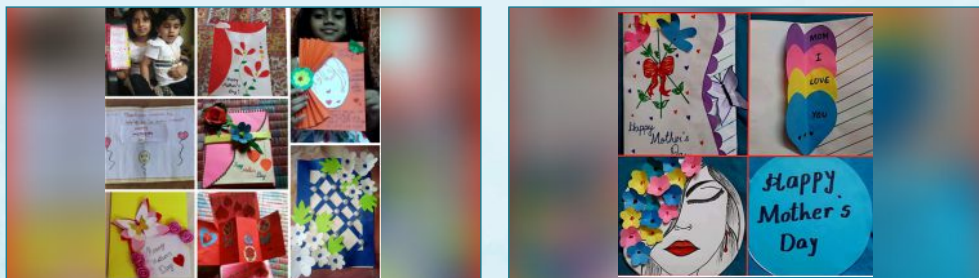
Tagore Jayanti

Our students while staying at home during this pandemic did not stay away from paying their tribute to the Nobel Laureate on Tagore Jayanti.

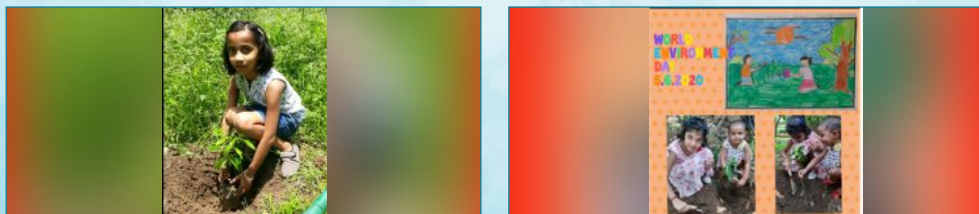


Mother's Day

The children of the Junior School left no stone unturned in making Mother's Day a memorable one for their mothers. Thoroughly motivated by their teachers they entertained their mothers staying at home and staying safe. Mothers and daughters sang, danced, cooked and played in unison and enjoyed the day thoroughly To crown it all, the mothers were crowned QUEEN OF THE DAY by our little class 2 children.



World Environment Day



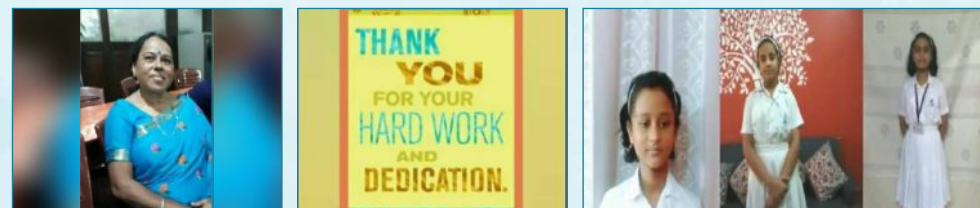
International Yoga Day

'Yoga at Home Yoga with Family' was the theme for Yoga Day.



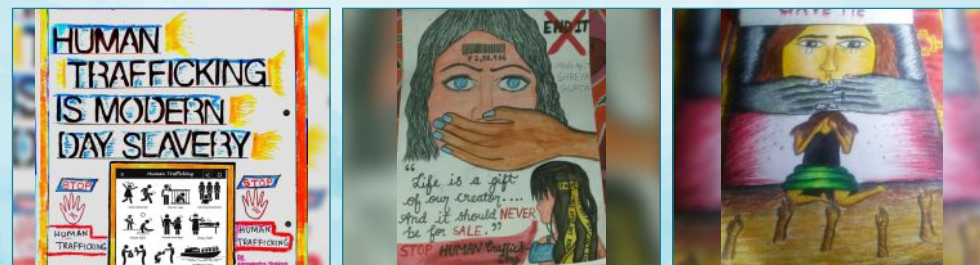
Silver Jubilee of Mrs. L. Singh

As a token of love and gratitude for 25 years of dedicated service to Loreto Convent Asansol, the Principal, Staff and Students held an online prayer service for Mrs. L. Singh. Invoking the Almighty God, the children of Classes 5 and 6 offered their prayers for Mrs. L. Singh and her family.



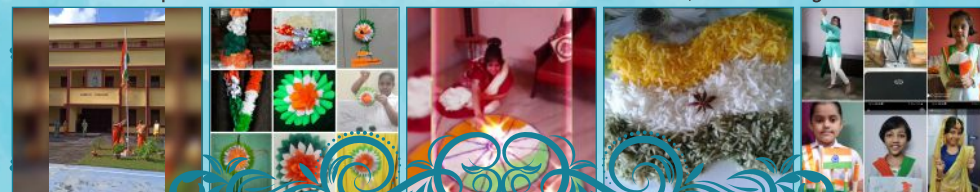
Anti Trafficking

The JPIC students and teachers put up a heart touching assembly on anti human trafficking.



Independence Day

The unfurling of our National Flag in the school premises by our Principal Mrs. George. As part of the celebration our students performed a whole lot of activities, Virtually.



Farewell to our Dear Mrs .C. Raphael

'As we say goodbye, you shall be waving a hello to new opportunities in your upcoming life. We bid farewell to our dear Mrs. C. Raphael.



Teachers' Day

Teachers' Day was celebrated online this year amidst the Covid19 pandemic.



Season of Creation

To mark Season of Creation the students of classes 6, 7 and 8 performed various activities. The Season of Creation provided us all with an opportunity to share in a global reflection and personal renewal of the small but significant ways in which we can care for our shared Earth.



Gandhi Jayanti

The students and teachers of Gandhi house put up a very meaningful and informative assembly on Google meet.



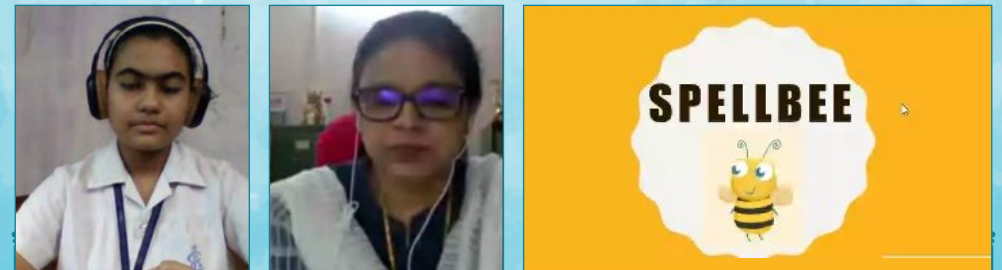
Shastri Jayanti

Shastri House celebrated Shastri Jayanti on the 9th of October.



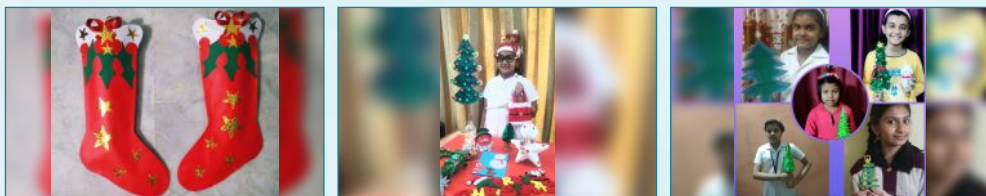
Spell Bee

A spell bee Activity is a great way to generate interest in spellings and to motivate students to succeed.



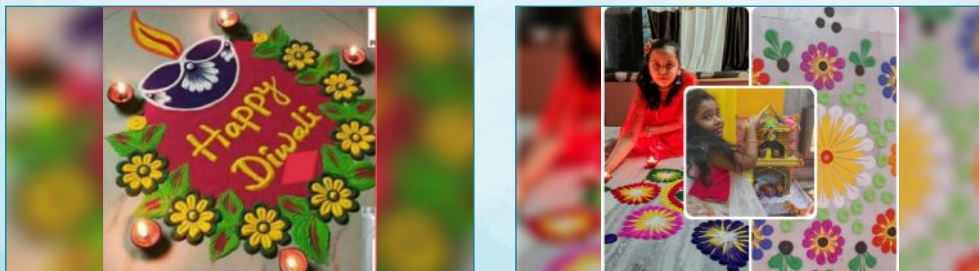
Creative Hands Activity

With the school being shut due to Covid - 19, the teachers are the real motivators and parents the constant guides for our children of the Junior School. Their hands are always busy and their minds full of creative ideas.



Diwali at Home

This year the celebration of Diwali was doubled, with the whole family in one place, enjoying and celebrating.



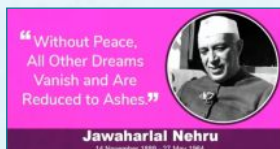
Diwali Prayer Service

The JPIC and Ankur Vidyalaya organised a Prayer Service and Cultural Programme on the festival of lights 'Diwali'.



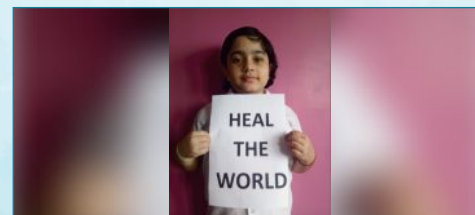
The senior students of our school paid homage to our first Prime Minister Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru. The students of Nehru house students and teachers put up a very informative assembly.

Nehru Jayanti



Heal the World, Make that change

Class 4 B had put up a meaningful assembly on the topic, 'Heal the World, Make that change'. It began with the quotes from 'Laudato Si'. The prayer service began with a prayer dance followed by prayers and a hymn. Children brought forward few ways through which we can make our earth a better place for everyone. The assembly ended with a video presentation.



Children's Day

Children's Day was celebrated in our school on 13th November 2020. Schools being closed for several months due to the Covid19 pandemic, the online platform was used by the Principal, Sisters and Teachers of our school to make the day special for the students.



All Souls Day

A solemn virtual Prayer Service was held on 2nd November to commemorate all the faithful departed on All Souls Day.



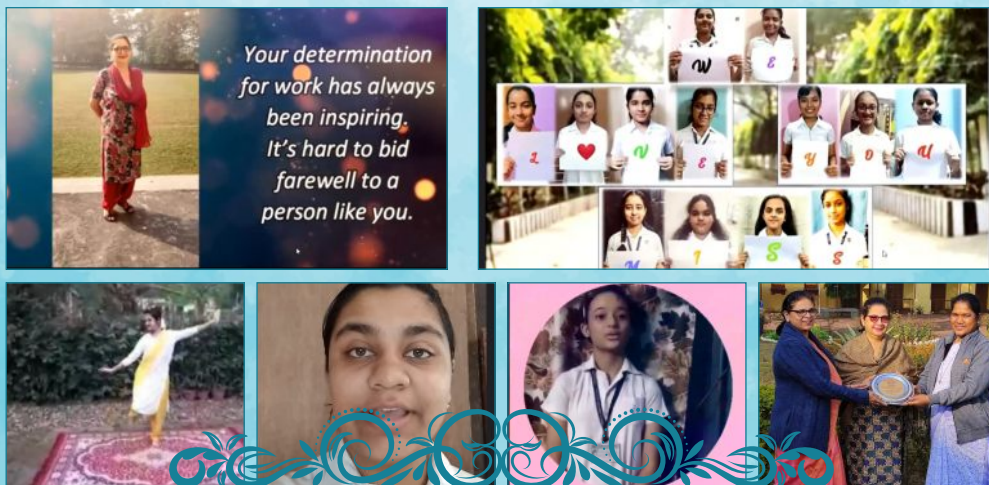
Farewell of Mrs. Sandra Kaur Sokhi

'Retirement is when you stop living at work and start working at living'.

The Prayer Service began by presenting Miss a virtual card and bouquet, followed by a Prayer dance, a reading from the Holy Bible, prayers and a beautiful hymn.

The cultural programme commenced with the farewell song, Power Point Presentation and a video showing the happy moments spent by Mrs. Sokhi in our institution.

The programme ended with a heart touching speech from our dear Mrs. Sandra Kaur Sokhi.



International Anti-Corruption Day

To make people aware of the menace of corruption, to spread awareness and to maintain transparency. Students of class 11 Sc and Comm had presented a beautiful assembly with relevant quotes, videos and meaningful prayers.



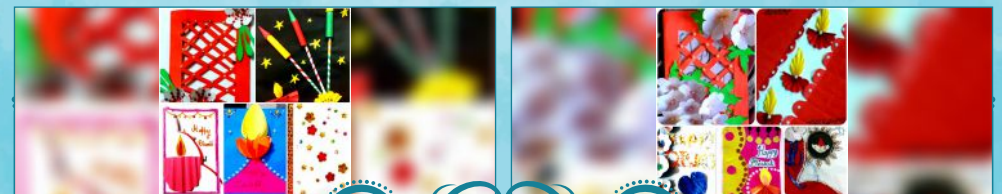
Christmas Play

Christmas Play 'Jesus is the reason for the Season' was organised by the senior school catholic students. The message of the play was to simplify our activities during this Christmas Season and focus our celebration on the birth of Jesus Christ.



Virtual Christmas Craft

With Christmas just around the corner, the children of the Junior School have kept themselves entertained by making varied Christmas Crafts. So getting into the holiday spirit, little hands set to work making Snowmen, Christmas Trees, Bells, Candles, Wreaths, Reindeer and of course not forgetting the generous old man..Santa Claus....Ho...Ho...Ho..



Advent Mass

An online advent mass was organised for the Christian Parents. The Holy Mass was celebrated by Father Siluvai.



International Human Solidarity

The students of class 8-B put up an assembly on the International Human Solidarity Day to celebrate our unity in diversity.



Organic Farming

Organic Farming is 'The need of the hour'. Eating organic food promotes a less toxic environment for all living beings. It helps in improving soil fertility, uses less amount of water and gives peace to our farmers.

Highlighting on this topic, the children of class 3 A put up an assembly. In the assembly they brought forward the importance of Organic Farming like pot composting and egg shell manure. The assembly concluded with a beautiful video showing how the children adopted these methods to make manure in a better way.



Republic Day

On the virtual platform Republic Day was celebrated with great pride and zeal by the students of Loreto Convent Asansol.



Mary Ward Week

The Mary ward Week was celebrated from the 24th January to 30th January 2021. The Four Houses presented Morning Assemblies based on the life and maxims of our foundress Venerable Mary Ward.



Mrs. Goon's Farewell

The girls of class 4 presented the Morning Assembly on 1st of March to praise and thank God for the gift of Mrs. Goon. She was was greatly honoured with beautiful Bengali verses composed by the children themselves. Through this virtual platform they bade farewell to her with their song - 'This is not a good bye'



Junior School Virtual Concert-Theme: Nature -A Boon For All

The most awaited moment was the Annual School Concert hosted by Loreto Convent Asansol in the month of January 2021.

As Loreto always seeks to nurture the physical, intellectual and aesthetic dimension of each and every child in a stimulating environment so the children from classes Nursery to Class 5 left no stone unturned in giving their best shot on a virtual platform during the time of the pandemic.



Staff Meeting with Sr. Nirmala

The Staff met Sr. Nirmala on 22nd March 2021.

She requested the teachers to spend a few minutes in reflecting upon the blessings and challenges faced during the pandemic. A discussion followed in which teachers shared their various learning experiences of utilizing technology to their advantage, their challenges in reaching out to academically and economically weak children during online teaching, the use of collaborative learning and making online classes enjoyable and giving their our best as teachers.



Women the Stepping Stone to Success

Jessica Gomes (Class 11 Arts)

"There are two powers in the world one of a sword and the other a pen , there is a third power stronger than both that of a women."

The truth of this statement cannot be overlooked and neither can the inequality that women face today in administration .

Between 1992 and 2019 women have constituted an average of 13% of negotiators 6% of mediators and 6% of signatories in major peace processes around the world. Peace efforts in 2020 have similarly struggled to include women. No 2020 talks have included a female chief mediator which is distressing.

Women's participation is the cure of many other existing problems in the world.

The statement " Women are not capable enough" is absolutely preposterous. On the contrary they help in bringing the warring nations at the negotiating table . Women leaders help in achieving sustainable peace . They look into the depth of matters and deal with them with utmost diplomacy.

The chances of War is minimal with women at power as they believe that there is nothing that cannot be solved through communication.

There are nations however who are trying to thrive from this dire situation. And in the coming days we are optimistic that we would be successful in getting rid of this age old shackles of gender inequality. Men and Women are not competitors but partners in this race for placidity . Let not the two compete each other but complete one another. It is about time that we realise that women are not victims but victors of solidity and strength.

A Girl

~Diya Roy (Class -11 Arts)

We walk down the streets, they stare at our back.

We are excluded because they say knowledge is the thing we lack.

We need to be fair because ugly is black.

If we wear short clothes, they feel they are on the rack.

They class us fairies, then why do they kill us when we are born?

They throw us in the pyre, and watch us burn.

They forbid us to read, they forbid us to learn.

They don't want us to study, they don't want us to earn.

We have the power to kill evil.

We have the power to bring out the devil.

We can rule the world with or without a crown.

We can destroy the universe without making it drown.

We can make the fire blaze.

We can make the waters flow.

We can make the rain stop.

We can make the wind blow.

We are not on the ground, we stand on the top of the tower.

We can wield it but we are also the power.

Unprecedented Times Of Covid-19

(Ipsita)

The roads are empty, the crowds too small,

And no trace of life outside, none at all.

Every human is locked up in their house,

And the sunny playground now looks bleak.

Why does our wide world does look desolate now?

Cause, there's a monster out there,

That can make even breathing like hell.

It is tinier than our cells, but it is causing a huge pandemic,

If it enters your body, it may wreak havoc.

Coughs or sneezes are like its private jet,

And to your lungs, it's a threat.

We, who always chat and dine in groups,

Now prefer to stay away.

Nobody's going to school anymore,

No child playing in the park,

Nobody's even opening the door,

Except for grocery or stock.

We used to giggle and play

On our swings and slide,

Now, we're caged in our homes,

As Corona gambols outside.

I really don't know why,

As to me, it's a privilege

To even bask in sunlight these days.

When can we really be free?

When can we stick our heads out?

When will the dawn arrive?

Come on, let us await that day.

The world seemed to have come to a standstill in the 2020, the reason is an organism that is not even visible to the naked eye. I felt that we had become a part of some horror movie confined to our houses with no school, outings not being able to meet our friends and relatives. Online classes then came in as a blessing. They were a completely new experience. However I soon began to feel the absence of physical school which seemed to have existed in some far off historical period. Friendships were transported to live chats and video. In spite of the growing darkness of the pandemic engulfing the entire world; there still was a silver lining. The lockdown has made a great positive impact on the environment by reducing the levels of pollution. I could spend quality time with my family and in the company of my story books. I have learnt to handle difficulties with a positive attitude and I hope that these lessons will remain with me throughout my life.

Suchismita Adhikari
Class- IX-A

Rainbow

My mom asked me to draw a rainbow,
I drew it with some red, black and blue.

This is not the colour of a rainbow,
Mum, rainbows are not real so why stick to any hue.

My mom was speechless and ashamed,
She had failed to show me any,
Which growing up she had seen many.

It's high time we save our environment,
Or we might even forget what's a tiger and what's a bee.

Amayra Michele Sinha (1B)

Perfections and Imperfections

They say,

"None is perfect, try to improve yourself"

But if asked the meaning,

Most stay silent as dead.

Some might say, "Make thyself perfect in this lesson"

Or others say, "be like thy companion."

If I was asked, I would say,

"The Universe does not define 'PERFECT'

Then, why should me?

Do not change

According to someone's blame,

Rather analyse the thought

And change if you feel it's right."

It varies from person to person

And depends on each one's perspective

One's imperfections help to connect with people,

Then, why should we change this?

I ask you today,

"Why do we run after?

Being better than people?

Is it just to part ourselves from them?

Then we are absolutely wrong."

I tell you today,

"Life is too short to live alone,

Run after neither perfection nor imperfection,

Love yourself, for who you are,

Do not get misled by perspectives.

Prisha Agarwal (Class IX-B)

Same and Together

The pandemic plagues the world,
The streets are empty,
And the sky clear.

We are all suffering the same, they say
We are all in this together, I'm told
Same and together they say,
But it doesn't seem true

For how can we be equals?
There is food on some tables,
On some there isn't
There is money in some wallets.
While in some there isn't.
There are medicines for some,
For some there isn't
There are roofs over some,
Over some there aren't

Some and together is a dream
A far-fetched hope
Same and equal I believe
Is something we should all work for

Rashi Choudhary
Class IX-B

Oh School! My school!



I miss school
Didn't think I ever would
But the very thought makes me tearful.

I miss my friends
Can't wait to see them
To discuss the latest trends

I am trying to do my best
and concentrate
while I do my test.

After my test is done
O' what a relief
And I run out to have some fun.

Being home now makes me sad
It made me realise
School is not that bad.

By: Edrea John
3 A

The Pandemic

Sumouli Pal
Class 3-A

*No one is happy to meet the Pandemic,
For it made all so weak and sick
All the children are sad like me
As in lockdown we all are lonely.*

*None can go out but I notice,
Animals and birds are living in peace.
I'm now feeling so glad and happy,
To see the nature pollution-free...*

*Let vaccines fight against this Pandemic
So no one seems to be in great panic.
Pandemic will surely end in future
But our aim should be to save the nature.*



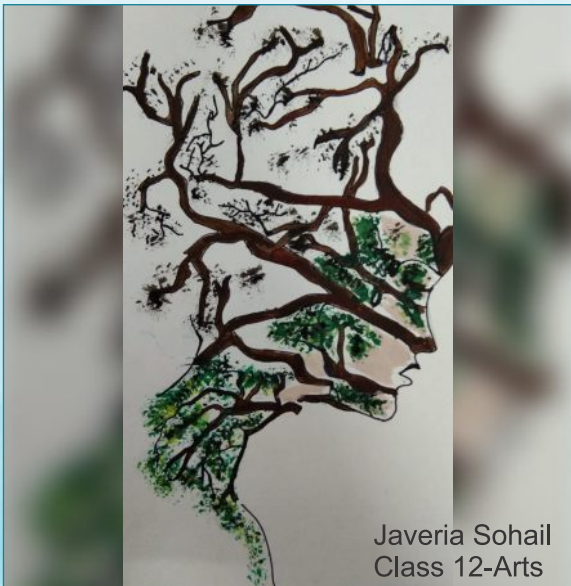
Drawing



-Sharanya Hazra
(VII - Humanities)



Simran Shaw 7A



Javeria Sohail
Class 12-Arts



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SAVE TREES
SAVE EARTH



Rishika Majumder
Class-7A



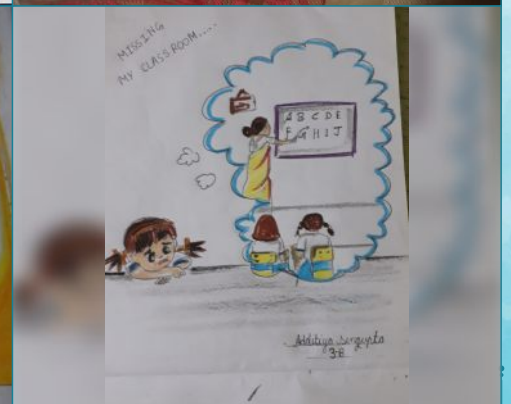
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