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THE GOENKAN SCOOP

The latest news from GD Goenka Sirsa



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SCHOOL

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FROM THE DESK OF PRINCIPAL

**Greetings Parents, Guardians and Caregivers,
Growing, learning and achieving together.**

I believe my role as an educator is to guide and nurture the next generation to establish skills to achieve health, respect, prosperity and fulfilment. I am passionate about students being empowered to succeed. As Principal, I use all tools available to inspire staff, students, and community to work together to promote student achievement and well being. We made it to October and it was so refreshing to feel that short burst of cool air outside! Although this year looks a little different for all Goenkans, I am so impressed with their resiliency each day. Our students have adapted to wearing masks, following new procedures, utilizing their technology problem solving skills at home and so much more. Please be sure to talk with your child about what they learned to do in these emergency situations.

Growth mindset is the belief that intelligence can be developed. We Goenkans, believe and support a growth mindset approach and encourage students to work hard, persevere when things get tough and that this will help them reach their goals and ultimately improve.

Home and school communication is very important. Connect your child's teacher, should you have any questions or concerns. Likewise, teachers will be contacting you directly if they have any concern about progress. When we work together we can ensure the safety of everyone in our school and community.

We truly appreciate your ongoing support and believe that by working together we can create the best possible environment that allows students to achieve success.

Thank you for your continued support and trust in us!

Warmly,

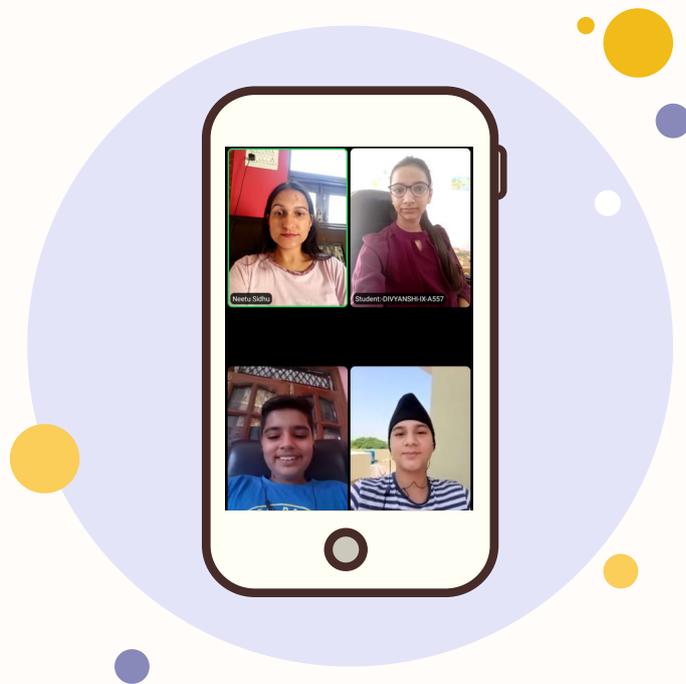
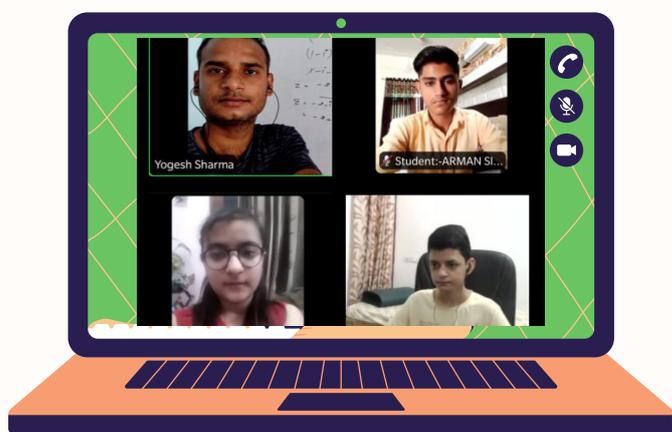
Dr. Poonam Monga



“Arise, Awake, and stop not until the goal is achieved” - Swami Vivekananda

Acclivity through e- learning

G.D Goenka, Sirsa had started its online classes since April 2, 2020. The entire curriculum for the month of April to September had been taught to the students through the mode of virtual classes (conferencing tools such as Zoom, Cisco WebEx Meet Learning Management System etc). The faculty members regularly updated videos on YouTube Channel to cover each and every part of the syllabus. Worksheets and assignments were being sent to the students on the daily basis through school app.



Quick confabs with students:

An important part of Goenkan’s planning surrounding covid19 is developing strategies and providing technological tools that allow faculty to continue to offer students the best possible educational experience. Synchronous or Asynchronous conversations were held with students in an online course.

Our teachers interact with the students and the parents to clarify their doubts if any and give timely call to parents or remain in their touch to keep the children engaged in learning in this break.

With the mutual cooperation and consistent efforts of both mentors and parents, we have tried to uphold the school standards.

SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO DOCTORS ON NATIONAL DOCTORS' DAY

“Medicines can cure, but a good doctor’s inspirational words can give the strength to fight from within.”

During this Corona virus pandemic, doctors are our real life heroes .Only a doctor is blessed with the magic to treat a life, to bring health into our lives and to be there with us when we have lost all the hopes. The service rendered by medical professionals during these pandemics are exemplary. They have shown immense strength, virtue and courage even risking their lives to treat us.

The Nation is indebted to the doctors. We Goenkans expressed our special gratitude towards doctors for their selfless services especially during the current Covid pandemic through online video presentation on National Doctors' Day that falls on 1st July every year. We thanked them for their dedication to profession to save lives of millions.



CONGRATULATIONS STUDENTS FOR THE BRILLIANT CLASS X BOARD RESULTS

"Once you have Commitment, you need the discipline and hard work to get you there". Haile Gebrselassie

A big thank you to all the parents who have been so supportive throughout.

When steadily raising one's level of aspirations and expectations is made a habit, flaming victory becomes a habit. CBSE Class X results for the session 2019-20 were declared on 13 July, 2020 respectively. Our shining stars have proven this in their matriculation results. They have scored the greatest achievements and hence created distinctive positions undoubtedly, there is much hard work behind this scene as the path to success has never been smooth. Students, parents and the school faculty put their best to achieve these glorious heights. The performance of the students from Goenka continues to be outstanding.

Highlights of CBSE Class X result 2019-2020

The school has achieved 100% result in X Board Examinations. A total of 38 students appeared for the examinations and all have cleared successfully. Out of 38 students, 22 students are in merit list.

| S.No | Name | Percentage |
|------|----------|------------|
| 1 | Himanshi | 96.60% |
| 2 | Akshita | 95.80% |
| 3 | Ocean | 95.60% |

The Subject Toppers are:

| S.No. | Subject | Name | Score |
|-------|-----------|-------------|-------|
| 1 | English | Himanshi | 99 |
| 2 | English | Abreen Kaur | 99 |
| 3 | I.T | Akshita | 100 |
| 4 | Punjabi | Aryan Abrol | 100 |
| 5 | Maths | Keshav | 99 |
| 6 | S.Science | Siddharth | 99 |
| 7 | Hindi | Akshita | 98 |
| 8 | Science | Siddharth | 93 |

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A BIG CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FIRST BATCH FOR GETTING 100% RESULT



Himanshi (96.60%)
(99/100 Eng)



Siddharth (96.60%)
(99/100 S.Sci)

No. of students appeared in examinations - 38

Students got 95% and above 4



Akshita (95.80%)
(100/100 LT)



Ocean (95.60%)

Students got 90% and above 9

Students got 85% and above 19



Aryan Abrol
(100/100 Pbi)



Abreen Kaur
(99/100 Eng)



Keshav Kumar
(99/100 Maths)

Total meritorious students 22

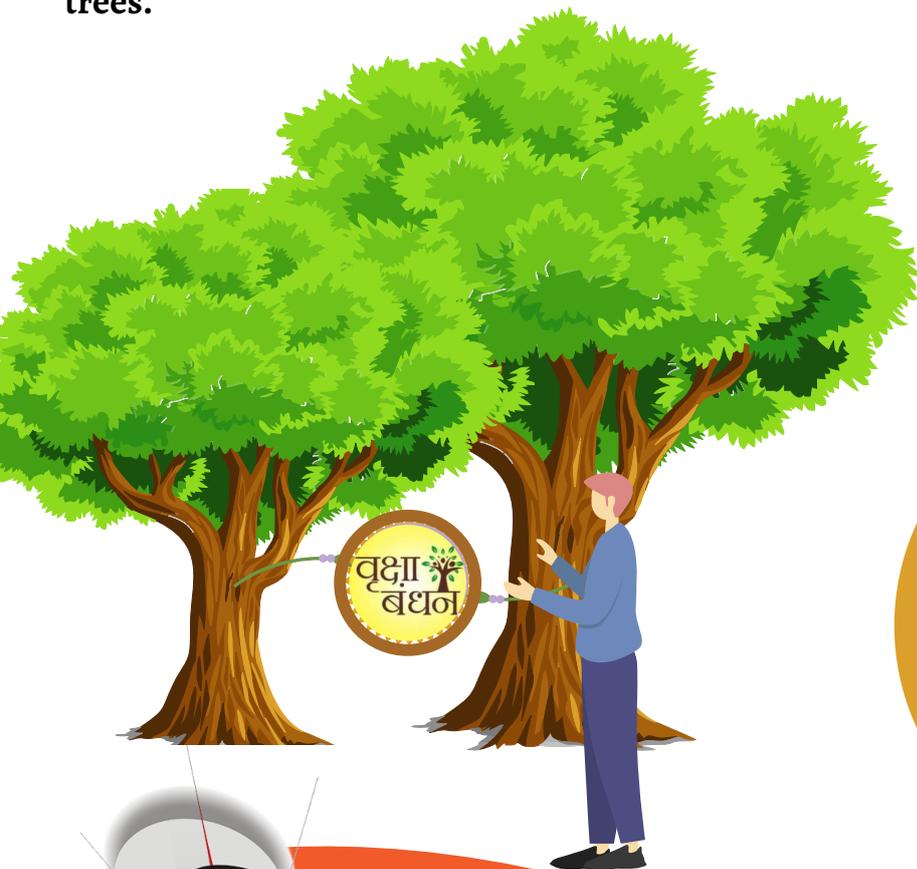
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Vrikshabandhan Celebration

***“If you cut a tree, you kill a life. If you save a tree, you save a life.
If you plant a tree, you plant a life.”***

Trees are our best friends. Without trees humanity can't survive. GDGPS is committed towards inherent potential and talent of each child, to create lifelong learners who will be the leaders of tomorrow. We aspire to create global citizens. The school came up with extraordinary theme to celebrate Rakshabandhan. This year we celebrated Rakshabandhan in a unique way by celebrating it as Vrikshabandhan. Students of Grade III tied Rakhis to plants and trees in order to give the message of 'SAVE TREES TO CONSERVE ENVIRONMENT'. Students shared their pictures while they were tying Rakhis to the trees.



Observance of the Festival of Janamashtmi

"The more you celebrate your life, the more there is in life to celebrate." Oprah Winfery

Celebrations are a unique way to bind people together. It fosters peace, harmony and unity. Keeping this in mind G.D Goenka Public School, Sirsa also believes that festivals are an expressive way to celebrate glorious heritage, culture and traditions. They are meant to rejoice special moments and emotions in our lives with our loved ones. They play an important role to add structure to our social lives, and connect us with our families and backgrounds. August 12, 2020 was observed as Janamashtmi . It is the most prominent festival among the Hindu community which is marked as the birthday of Lord Krishna.



It was celebrated as a virtual manner by Goenkans this year. A special speech by Ms Kamini (Hindi Teacher) was showcased to throw light on the significance of this festival. Janamashtmi celebration is incomplete without traditional outfits. Tiny-tots of Grade 1 were brightly dressed up in Krishna and Radha attires. All the students enjoyed celebrating this festival. Parents shared photos and videos of their kids. The Goenkans will surely be remembered for their unique way of celebration.



Virtual Celebration of 74th Independence Day

"Freedom is the open window through which pours the sunlight of the human spirit and human dignity". –Herbert Hoover

Independence Day celebrations at school often mean a beautifully decorated campus in ribbons and balloons of the national flag's colors, students proudly singing the anthem and looking forward to present some amazing dance and song performances. But this year, Covid-19 has shut schools indefinitely and added a twist to the 74th Independence Day celebrations. The fervour remains, but GDGPS opted for a virtual route. At GDGPS, for instance, the patriotism found a digital expression. Talking about this year's celebrations there was special virtual presentation programme by students with fearless minds, held high and optimistic spirits.



Students sang patriotic songs and delivered speeches, all done online to mark this historic day. The pride in tricolor was reflected in the song and they also paid tribute to the frontline corona warriors from healthcare professionals like nurses, doctors, paramedical staff to policemen. As they are on their toes since this virus has entered our country and are putting their lives at risk to keep us safe. They are not less than our freedom fighters. They are also fighting to make us free from this pandemic and Goekans thanked these unsung heroes through their articulative speeches.



Teachers' Day Celebration

"Great teachers have the ability to change lives for the better"

Knowledge and education are the basis for all things that can be accomplished in life.

Teachers provide the power of education to today's youth, thereby giving them the possibility for a better future. Teachers are quiet heroes of our Communities.

All over India, Teachers Day is celebrated on 5th Sep every year for showing due respect to all the teachers in the country. This marks the birth anniversary of our second President of India, Dr Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan.

With lockdown restrictions and social distancing norms put in place, Goenkan family had celebrated 'Teacher's Day' virtually. There were some noteworthy performances by the students from all the classes in the form of dance, poetry, songs, speeches especially created in honour of the teachers, which had a mesmerizing appeal. Special video was showcased on school Facebook Page to make Teacher's Day special in which special titles were given to the teachers. The Children shared their videos expressing their utmost gratitude towards their teachers. They made the teacher proud and their messages touched teacher's heart.

It was a new experience and taught us that a programme can be successfully compiled and completed in the situation of constant instability due to the prevailing pandemic.





Up gradation to Senior Secondary level

“Take up one idea. Make that one idea your life... think of it, dream of it. live on that idea. Let the Brain, Muscles, Nerves, Every part of your body, be full of that idea, and just leave every other idea alone. This is the way to success “

- Swami Vivekananda

The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams, with that dream we achieved new milestone this year. We wish to inform you that G.D Goenka Sirsa has received the Affiliation from CBSE up to senior secondary level. During the Academic session (2020-21), the school is successfully running its classes of all the streams (Humanities, Commerce , Medical and Non Medical).



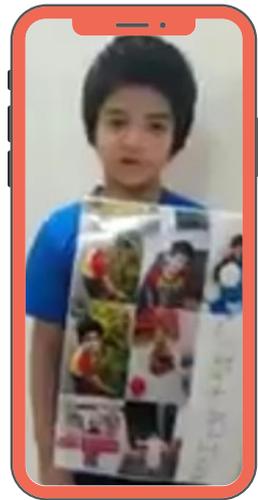
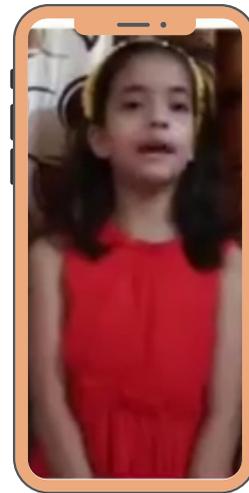


Chill & Thrill Activities

*Rest is not the answer
Activity and therapy help healing most*

Co-curricular activities are part and parcel of students' life to explore strengths and talents outside of academics. They are helping students in order to develop stronger time-management, to bring social skills, moral values, intellectual skills, personality progress, organizational skills and character appeal in students. In short they are required for the all round development of the student. Quarantine is especially difficult for children and accustomed to a level of daily physical activity. Keeping the above in view, We Goenka Team keep organising the activities for our kids to ameliorate their skills even when they are confined to their homes due to this covid situation .No one can stop Goenkans to spread their wings, even this pandemic too.

We at G.D Goenka Sirsa have organised a plethora of activities which give a new dimension to their personalities by developing important life skills. The activity teachers of GDGPS like dance, music, yoga, sports, art and crafts provided students with professional training videos to watch from home. Teachers also demonstrated how various exercises were done and explained how to perform them. During the online classes, the students follow the instructions in the videos, film themselves doing the exercises and sent the videos to the teachers for review.



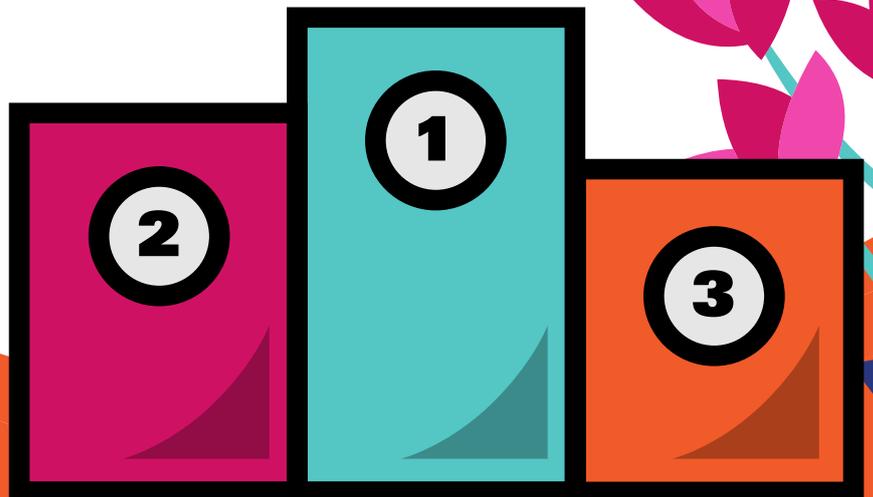
Spirit of Competition

“Success is leading innovation and conquering the competition”

A spirit of competition teaches children the importance of taking a healthy risk instead of only doing activities that they are comfortable with. It teaches kids to step out of their comfort zone and they often being averse of new risky activities can keep them from enjoying activities that they may grow to love. In Today's time, which is intricately reliant on technology, to give an edge to the students and to cultivate their linguistic skills, unlock their potential, awakened their passion. GD Goenka Public School, Sirsa organised online English & Hindi Poem recitation competition, Speech competition & Solo dance competition for grade I to V

The competitions witnessed wholehearted participation. The part takers were given certain topics by their mentors. Students participated ardently. These were such an attention grabbing and mindful competitions and each participant rose to an unparalleled level and presented with utmost enthusiasm and vehemence and gained valuable experience. It was lovely seeing the children emerge as competent literary wizard. The young learners showcased their dancing skills in the competition with immense zeal and enthusiasm. Children were judged on parameter:

| Competition | Grade | Ist position | IInd position | IIIrd position | Consolation |
|-------------------------|-------|-------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Hindi poem recitation | Ist | Kashika | Rudra, Abhigyan | Aarvi, Inayat | Jeenal, Onkar, Tvisha |
| English poem recitation | IInd | Tanzil, Kavish | Anayta, Gursahaj, Aakriti | Raghav, Etasha, Garvishtha | Anhad, Bhavya, Pranya |
| Online solo dance | IIIrd | Kashvi | Annavi Goyal | Aditee Singh | Hiyasha, Rohit |
| Online solo dance | IVth | Aanya Gupta, Jiya Gupta | Arjun Mehta, Neeti | Chhavi, Maanveer | Mokshika |
| Online speech | Vth | Rheet Singh | Morvi | Prajjaval Saharan, Ruhana | |

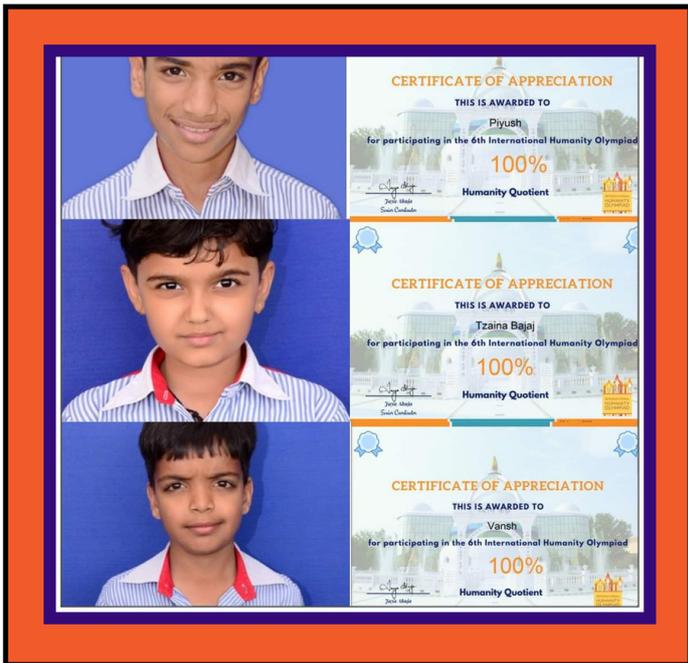


Olympiad

"Participation is one of the best methods of educating".

Three cheers for these exceedingly confident Goenkans.!

We take great privilege in acknowledging the commendable efforts of these participants who showed their brainpower in 6th International Humanity Olympiad and got 100% Humanity Quotient.



Award of most popular Hunarbaaz

We feel immense pleasure while declaring that our extremely talented little star Nayonika Garg from Grade 3 had been awarded by the online Award of Most Popular Hunarbaaz organized by Lions Club International Jaipur in 'Acting' category.



CONGRATULATIONS



Parents Prime Reviews

Hi, I would like to express my apperception towards all the TEACHERS for the commendable job they are doing with online classes. These classes were unplanned and unaccounted but you all executed them so well. I like the fact that focus is not just on finishing the syllabus but also ensuring that each kid is learning properly. My son Gursahaj enjoying the study and understanding all the concepts very well. 1st semester is done successfully. I'm thankful to all the GD Goenka's crew for ensuring that our children's study have not been affected because of lockdown.

Gagandeep Kaur , mother of Gursahaj singh 2nd B



I would like to express my gratitude towards *teachers* for the good work done during this Covid pandemic, so far. Untiring efforts made by teachers really deserve appreciation. It was difficult not only just for parents to adjust with online mode but it was equally difficult for teachers to adjust with this new mode, to which none of us was accustomed. But teachers adapted very well and managed online classes effectively. Our kid Kashika has been accustomed to online study now and learning new syllabus. The online mode has ensured continuity of study along with safety during this tough phase. Finally I once again congratulate GD Goenka's team for successfully leaping in to online mode and the excellent efforts put in by the staff.

Regards

Silky Malik (Mother of Kashika, student of class 1)



I recommend this school to everyone. I see myself feel happy and settled at school and I am really pleased with the progress he has made, I found all teachers are approachable and are able to help. I want to thank all the teachers of GD Goenka school for the hard work they have put for online classes explaining everything in a detailed manner each day. School is also organising activities and competition for students keeping themselves busy in today's situation. A big thank you to Goenkan Team

Somi Goyal Mother of Garv Goyal Grade 3A+



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Parents Prime Reviews

Hi, I would like to express my appreciation towards our teachers for the commendable job they are doing with online classes. School has taken good decision to start this. Children became punctual due to classes and their study level increase due to in online communication with teachers. I like the fact that focus is not just finishing the syllabus but also ensuring that each kid is learning properly. My son Onkar is enjoying the study and understanding all the concepts very well. I am thankful to all the GD Goenka crew for ensuring that our children study have not been affected because of lock down.

Shailja Sandha mother of Omkar Kamboj grade 1st A



I highly recommend GD Goenka School. All the teachers are really kind to each child, truly encouraging them to their strengths especially during these COVID times, where the classes are taking place on an online platform. Initially, online classes were a bit of challenge to teachers, children and parents but gradually with time everyone has adapted to the new way of learning. And with the newly implemented webcam classes it's easy to monitor kids and makes them more attentive towards class. My child is thriving under the guidance of teachers. Thank you to all the staff for your continuous support and efforts during these unprecedented times.

Ms komal sidana mother of Abhimanyu sidana student of grade VIII A



I, Mahak bajaj, mother of Tzaina Bajaj taking this opportunity to thank everyone at GD Goenka who has gone out of their way in order to provide care for my daughter and the other children during this situation. I am so very grateful. I and my husband we just want to say thank you so much for everything you have done for us since we have been to GD goenka, my daughter is proud to call her self a Goenkan. I've really appreciated all the work the teachers have done to set work for their classes. It was so wonderful to see pictures of the children doing their Home Learning and other activities too. I think that this unprecedented time has also led to lots of lovely things that we wouldn't always have time to do as a family. You're doing a fantastic job. I'm glad more and more people are recognizing what school and teachers do in terms of instruction and learning. If ever there was a year to make School & Teacher Appreciation Week the biggest celebration ever, this is the year. I don't even know where to begin to say my words of gratitude to my own child's teachers, and all teachers & schools across the country. Thank you. Thank you. Thank you.

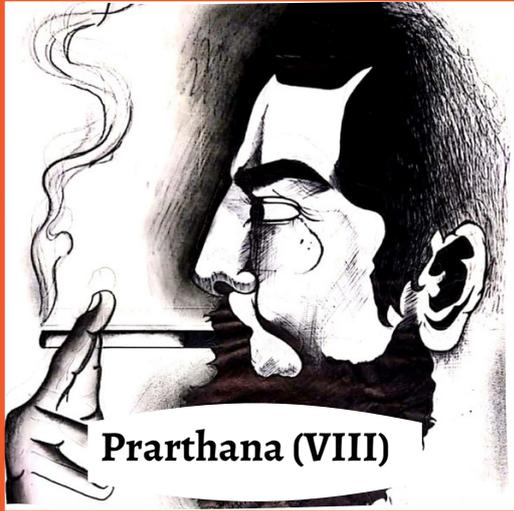


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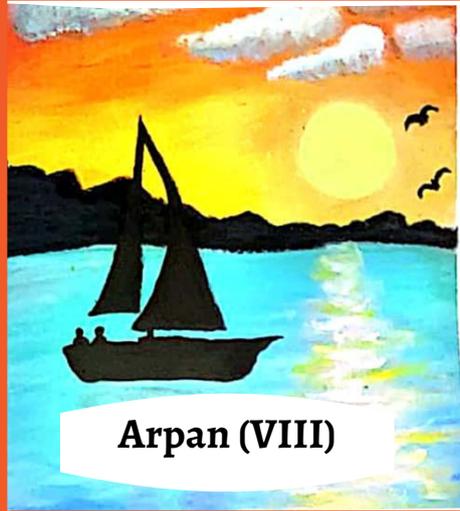


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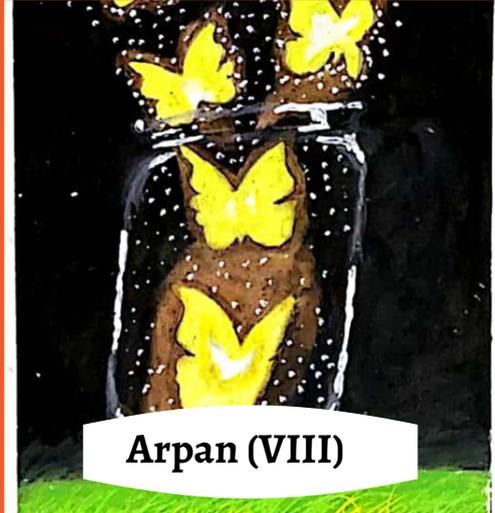
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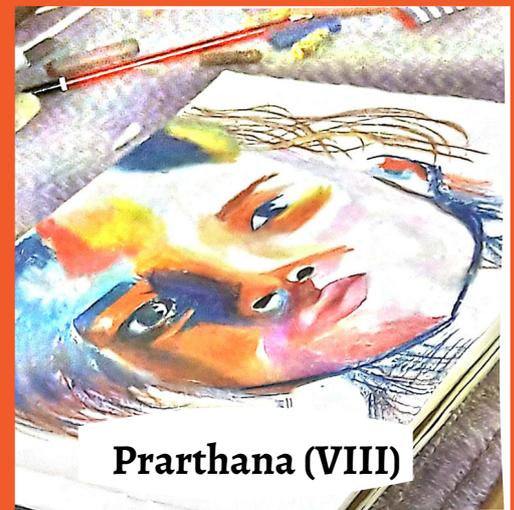
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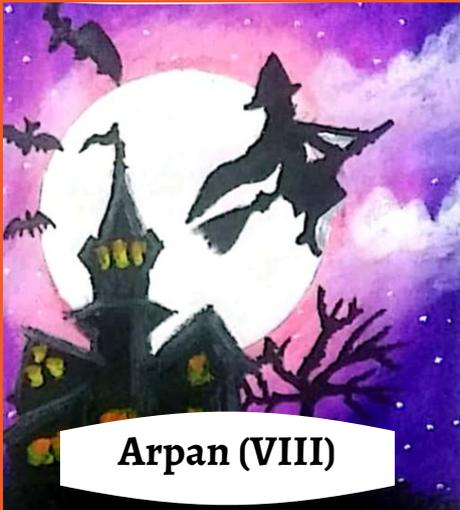
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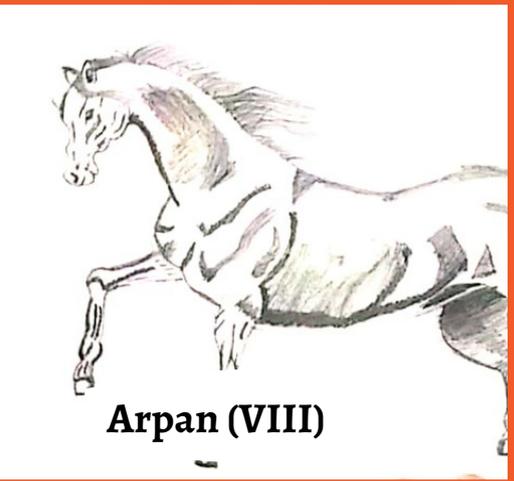
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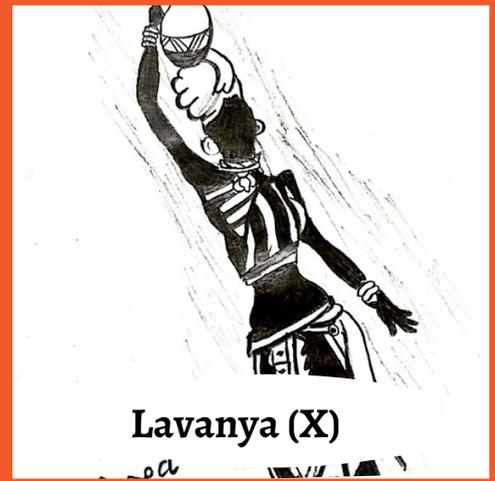
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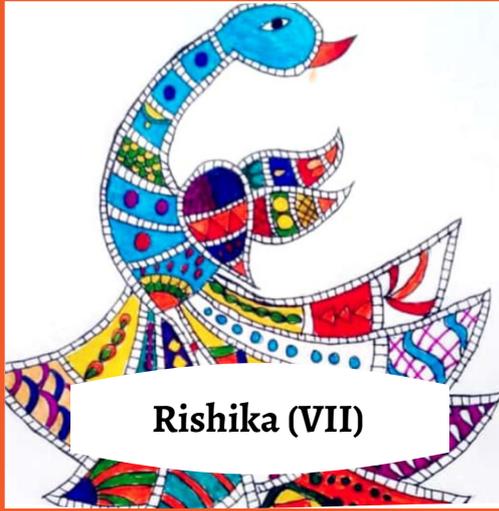


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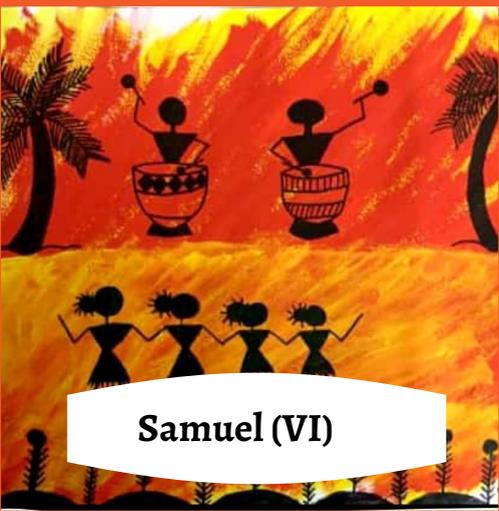
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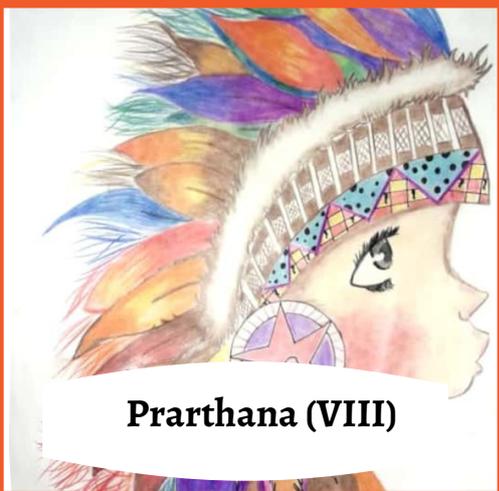
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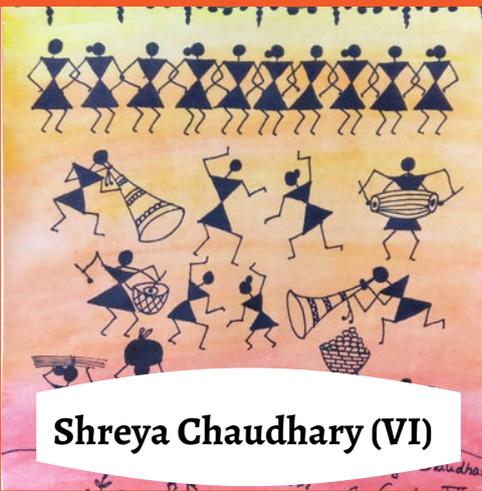
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