

*"An investment in knowledge pays the best interest"*  
~ Benjamin Franklin

# NEWSLETTER | DELHI PUBLIC SCHOOL

## CLASS: PREPARATORY

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Dear Parents,

*"Let bygones be bygones, let's greet the New-year with the new outlook of compassion, benevolence and altruism to make this world a better place to live in with peace and harmony."*

With the advent of another new Year, let's step into its threshold with abundance of optimisms, aspirations and dreams by bidding adieu to the bygone year. Well, it's an ideal time to introspect ourselves and move ahead gallantly to face the challenges with invincible spirit and tenacity. **New Year** is widely celebrated all across the globe on January 1<sup>st</sup> with pomp and splendor.

Let's imbibe the values of respect for elders, teachers and parents among our children as they are getting diminished day by day owing to their colossal exposure of scientific technology. The New Year is gradually approaching, and with the holiday season already round the corner would enable us to retrospect some of our lives' choices.

Inculcate refined **communicative skills** by giving ample exposure to great speeches by great leaders.

Spare some quality time in **meditation** to acquire tranquility and serenity.

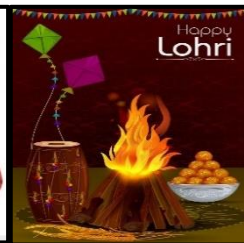
**Stop procrastinating & become more organized:** It doesn't matter how much time you have on your hands if you can't manage it properly.

**Read more:** Books are an excellent way to gain a lot of knowledge on a huge variety of topics, and are also a great exercise for your brain.

**Improve your concentration and mental skills:** People have been trying to find ways to improve their focus and cognitive capacities for thousands of years.

**Be more polite:** Good manners have always been an appealing trait. Wishing you all a very blessed, cheerful and successful New Year ahead!!!

Warm Regards,  
Principal



**New Year (1)** New Year is the time at which a new calendar year begins and the calendar's year count increments by one. It is a time to start fresh, make resolutions and to get ready for welcoming 2021.

**National Youth Day (12)** the Government of India declared and decided to observe the birthday of Swami Vivekananda as a National Youth Day, because it was felt that the philosophy of Swamiji and the ideals for which he lived and worked could be a great source of inspiration for the Indian Youth.

**Makar Sankranti, Lohri, Pongal (14)** marks the first day of sun's transit, marking the end of the month with Winter solstice. The festival is observed each year and is dedicated to the Sun God.

### CAMPUS CLANDESTINE

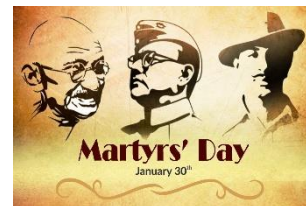
Children were vibrant and showcased their skills during the Major Co-curricular activity. Children learnt by doing through Jodo Gyan activities like Family game, kitne zyada, vijay goes for a walk. Through the art activity - Make your own gift box and I love Santa Claus; children showcased their creativity by making their own gift box and by drawing Santa Claus in the art journal. Children relished their taste buds through the cooking activity - Yummy Christmas tree with their culinary skills. Through the Language activity, children refined their vocabularies and named the blends to complete the words. Children made Tiger head gear for the annual theme activity. They also explored their creativity by making Paper straw Christmas tree. Reading activity was encouraged to enhance the reading a sentence in the book. They also made a paper cup phone through the Reggio activity. Children showcased their artistic skills and creativity through picture dictation. Children learnt a life skill on how to crack open a pea pod by applying pressure on the seam.

**Army Day (15)** Army Day is celebrated to mark Lt Gen K M Cariappa taking over as commander-in-chief of the Indian Army in 1949 from General Francis Butcher, the last British commander-in-chief of India. The transfer of power from the British to India signifies an important moment in the Indian history.

**Republic Day (26)** honours the date on which the Constitution of India came into effect on 26 January 1950 replacing the Government of India Act as the governing document of India and thus, turning the nation into a newly formed republic.



**Martyrs' Day (30)** The date was chosen as it marks the assassination of Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi in 1948. A two-minute silence in memory of Indian martyrs is observed throughout the country at 11 AM.



## SYLLABUS

### ENGLISH

**Oral and written:** Phonic drill, Cursive writing capital and small letter together (Jj-Rr), ee and oo words, Picture composition, Creative writing, Vocabulary games

### MATHS

**Unstructured object-based counting 1-50-** Revisit of how many more (1-20), Introduction of the concept of how many less with objects, Number Recognition -1-30

**Written:** 1-30, Missing numbers (1-10), Revisit more or less with objects (1-20), Introduction of concept of how many less with objects, Combination of number 5

### HINDI

संयुक्त अक्षर-क्ष-श्र। क-श्र। मौखिक-इ की मात्रा। संक्षिप्त शब्दों और वाक्यों का मूलभूत ज्ञान।



### Ingredients:

- 2 pounds sweet potato, peeled and sliced
- 2 tablespoons orange juice
- 3/4 cup brown sugar
- 1/8 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 2 tablespoons butter, cubed
- 1 cup miniature marshmallows or sweet Vanilla

### METHOD

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C).
2. In a large saucepan cook sweet potatoes in salted water over medium-high heat for about 20 minutes, or until done. Drain, and add orange juice, brown sugar, nutmeg and butter. Whip until smooth. Spread into a medium size casserole dish and top with marshmallows.
3. Bake in preheated oven for about 10 minutes, or until marshmallows are golden brown.

### TONGUE TWISTERS

- A big black bug
- Yellow butter, purple jelly
- Rubber baby, Rubber baby
- Spread it thick, say it quick!

## THEME OF THE MONTH – PLANTS



Plants are living things that grow from the soil and turn light from the Sun into food. Plants can be big or small, from giant trees to tiny patches of moss. Plants use a process called photosynthesis to turn sunlight into food in their leaves. They can then use this food to grow. The biggest type of plant on earth is a tree called the giant redwood. Some of these trees are as tall as a 15-storey building, and up to 3,500 years old. Some plants spread their seeds by letting them float on the wind, other plants encourage animals to eat them and some plants just drop them on the ground. Not all plants get all their energy from sunlight. The Venus flytrap and pitcher plants trap and eat insects! Some people are allergic to pollen. All the pollen in the air in the spring makes them sneeze. This is called 'hayfever'.

### PARENT PLUS

1. Make sure your child gets the recommended amount of sleep each night: For school-age children 6-12 years, 9-12 hours per 24 hours (including naps) to get a healthy mind and body.
2. Help your child develop a sense of responsibility – ask him to help with household tasks, such as setting the table.
3. Teach your child to watch out for traffic and how to be safe when walking to school, riding a bike, and playing outside.

### RHYME & FUN

The farmer plants the seeds  
 Hi, Ho, the dairy-o,  
 The farmer plants the seeds.  
 The sun comes out to shine  
 The sun comes out to shine  
 Hi- Ho the dairy-O The sun comes  
 out to shine  
 The rain begins to fall  
 The rain begins to fall Hi Ho the  
 dairy-O The rain begins to fall  
 The seeds begin to grow  
 The seeds begin to grow  
 Hi Ho the dairy-O The seeds begin  
 to grow  
 The vegetables are here  
 The vegetables are here  
 Hi ho the dairy-O The vegetables  
 are here